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DPDS-DPS *in situ* Transformation at Room Temperature via a 1,2-Nucleophilic Addition Mechanism

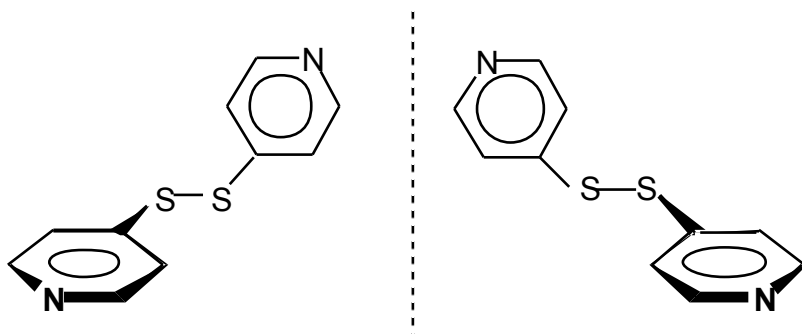
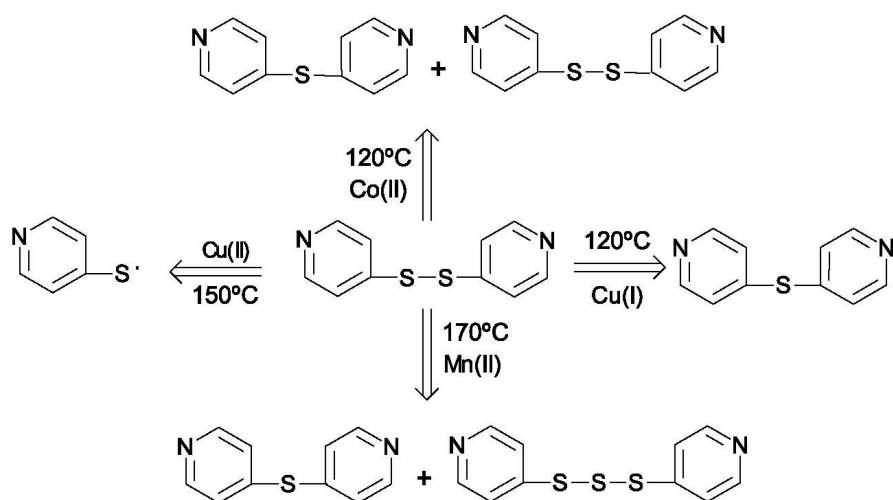


Fig. S1. Optical isomers of DPDS.



Scheme S1. Some different transformations of DPDS ligand.

Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement for compound Mn(NCS)₂(DPS)₄ (**1**)

Empirical formula	C ₄₂ H ₃₂ MnN ₁₀ S ₆	
Formula weight	924.08	
Temperature	293(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system	Triclinic	
Space group	P $\bar{1}$	
Unit Cell Dimensions	a = 9.694(3) Å	α = 87.71(4)°
	b = 11.143(4) Å	β = 76.90(3)°
	c = 11.326(3) Å	γ = 67.65(4)°
Volume	1100.5(6) eÅ ³	
Z	1	
Density (calculated)	1.394 Mg/m ³	
μ	0.628 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	475	
θ range for data collection	1.98° to 26.08°	
Index ranges	-11 ≤ h ≤ 11, -13 ≤ k ≤ 13, -13 ≤ l ≤ 13	
Collected reflections	8602	
Independent reflections	4003 [R(int) = 0.0608]	
Refinement method	Full-matrix on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	4003 / 0 / 277	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	0.787	
R indices	R ₁ = 0.0394, wR ₂ (all data) = 0.0940	
Largest $\Delta\rho$ peak and hole	0.548 and -0.435 eÅ ⁻³	

Table S2. Most important intermolecular H-Bonds (units in Å and °) for compound Mn(NCS)₂(DPS)₄ (**1**). Symmetry codes: i) 2-x, 1-y, -z. ii) 2-x, -y, -z. iii) -1+x, y, z.

C6-H6	H6 \cdots S1 ⁱ	C6 \cdots S1 ⁱ	C6-H6 \cdots S1 ⁱ
0.930(5)	3.083(2)	3.687(5)	124.3(2)
C5-H5	H5 \cdots S1 ⁱ	C5 \cdots S1 ⁱ	C5-H5 \cdots S1 ⁱ
0.929(4)	3.012(2)	3.640(5)	126.3(3)
C18-H18	H18 \cdots S2 ⁱⁱ	C18 \cdots S2 ⁱⁱ	C18-H18 \cdots S2 ⁱⁱ
0.929(5)	3.11(1)	4.01(1)	162.0(3)
C15-H15	H15 \cdots N5 ⁱ	C15 \cdots N5 ⁱ	C15-H15 \cdots N5 ⁱ
0.930(5)	2.895(5)	3.708(7)	146.7(3)
C2-H2	H2 \cdots N3 ⁱⁱⁱ	C2 \cdots N3 ⁱⁱⁱ	C2-H2 \cdots N3 ⁱⁱⁱ
0.930(4)	2.875(7)	3.473(8)	123.2(3)
C3-H3	H3 \cdots N3 ⁱⁱⁱ	C3 \cdots N3 ⁱⁱⁱ	C3-H3 \cdots N3 ⁱⁱⁱ
0.931(5)	2.712(6)	3.379(8)	129.3(3)
C13-H13	H13 \cdots N5 ⁱⁱⁱ	C13 \cdots N5 ⁱⁱⁱ	C13-H13 \cdots N5 ⁱⁱⁱ
0.930(4)	3.044(4)	3.753(6)	134.3(2)

Table S3. Crystal data and structure refinement for [Fe(NCS)₂(DPS)₂]-2H₂O (**2**)

Empirical formula	C ₂₂ H ₂₀ FeN ₆ O ₂ S ₄	
Formula weight	584.53	
Temperature	293(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71069 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	C2/c	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 17.001(6) Å	α = 89.99(4)°
	b = 10.288(4) Å	β = 118.53(4)°
	c = 16.629(6) Å	γ = 90.14(4)°
Volume	2555.3(16) Å ³	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	1.519 Mg/m ³	
μ	0.950 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	1200	
θ range for data collection	2.40° to 26.12°.	
Index ranges	-20 ≤ h ≤ 20, -12 ≤ k ≤ 12, -20 ≤ l ≤ 20	
Reflections collected	9614	
Independent reflections	2490 [R(int) = 0.2777]	
Refinement method	Full-matrix on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	2490 / 3 / 174	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	0.625	
R indices	R ₁ = 0.0446, wR ₂ (all data) = 0.1051	
Largest Δρ peak and hole	0.298 and -0.621 eÅ ⁻³	

Table S4. Most important intermolecular H-Bonds (units in Å and °) for compound [Fe(NCS)₂(DPS)₂]-2H₂O (**2**). Symmetry codes: i) 1/2-x, 1/2+y, 3/2-z. ii) 1/2+x, 3/2-y, 1/2+z. iii) -1+x, y, z.

O1-H1O1	H1O1...S3 ⁱⁱ	O1...S3 ⁱⁱ	O1-H1O1...S3 ⁱⁱ
0.850(10)	2.7(8)	3.26(7)	130(9)
O1-H2O1	H2O1...S3	O1...S3	O1-H2O1...S3
0.850(5)	1.9(7)	2.52(4)	132(7)
C12-H12	H12...O1 ⁱⁱⁱ	C12...O1 ⁱⁱⁱ	C12-H12...O1 ⁱⁱⁱ
0.930(8)	2.68(4)	3.21(5)	117(1)

Table S5. Crystal data and structure refinement for Zn(NCO)₂(DPS) (**3**)

Empirical formula	C ₁₂ H ₈ N ₄ O ₂ SZn	
Formula weight	337.65	
Temperature	293(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71069 Å	
Crystal system	Orthorhombic	
Space group	<i>Pcab</i>	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 14.545(3) Å	α = 90.00°
	b = 14.834(3) Å	β = 90.00°
	c = 12.805(4) Å	γ = 90.00°
Volume	2762.8(1) Å ³	
Z	8	
Density (calculated)	1.624 Mg/m ³	
μ	1.934 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	1360	
θ range for data collection	2.52° to 25.99°	
Index ranges	-17 ≤ h ≤ 17, -18 ≤ k ≤ 18, 0 ≤ l ≤ 15	
Reflections collected	9399	
Independent reflections	2698	
Refinement method	Full-matrix on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	2698/ 0 / 182	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	0.801	
R indices	R ₁ = 0.0289, wR ₂ (all data) = 0.0679	
Largest Δρ peak and hole	0.199 and -0.304 eÅ ⁻³	

Table S6. Most important intermolecular H-Bonds (units in Å and °) for compound Zn(NCO)₂(DPS) (**3**). Symmetry codes: i) 3/2-x, 1/2+y, -z. ii) 1/2+x, 1/2-y, z. iii) 3/2-x, 1/2+y, 1-z.

C11-H11	H11...O1 ⁱ	C11...O1 ⁱ	C11-H11...O1 ⁱ
0.930(5)	2.389(4)	3.187(7)	143.7(3)
C6-H6	H6...O2 ⁱⁱ	C6...O2 ⁱⁱ	C6-H6...O2 ⁱⁱ
0.930(6)	2.686(6)	3.582(8)	162.0(3)
C10-H10	H10...O2 ⁱⁱⁱ	C10...O2 ⁱⁱⁱ	C10-H10...O2 ⁱⁱⁱ
0.930(6)	2.630(4)	3.365(7)	136.4(3)

Table S7. Crystal data and structure refinement for [Zn(DPS)₄(H₂O)₂](ClO₄)₂·H₂O (4)

Empirical formula	C ₄₀ H ₃₈ C ₁₂ N ₈ O ₁₁ S ₄ Zn		
Formula weight	1071.35		
Temperature	293(2) K		
Wavelength	0.71073 Å		
Crystal system	Tetragonal		
Space group	P4 ₁ 2 ₁ 2		
Unit cell dimensions	a = 16.529(2) Å	α = 90°	
	b = 16.529(2) Å	β = 90°	
	c = 16.604(2) Å	γ = 90°	
Volume	4536.3(11) Å ³		
Z	4		
Density (calculated)	1.569 Mg/m ³		
μ	0.912 mm ⁻¹		
F(000)	2200		
θ range for data collection	1.74° to 28.20°		
Index ranges	-21 ≤ h ≤ 18, -21 ≤ k ≤ 11, -21 ≤ l ≤ 20		
Reflections collected	28832		
Independent reflections	5315		
Refinement method	Full-matrix on F ²		
Data / restraints / parameters	5315 / 0 / 311		
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.021		
R indices	R ₁ = 0.0511, wR ₂ (all data) = 0.1195		
Largest Δρ peak and hole	1.030 and -0.372 eÅ ⁻³		

Table S8. Most important intermolecular (units in Å and °) H-Bonds for compound [Zn(DPS)₄(H₂O)₂](ClO₄)₂·H₂O (4)

O5-H51	H5⋯N3	O5⋯N3	O5-H51⋯N3
0.93(3)	1.92(3)	2.852(4)	176(3)
O1W-H12W	H12W⋯O5	O1W⋯O5	O1W-H12W⋯O5
0.78(5)	2.02(5)	2.781(3)	165(4)
O1W-H11W	H11W⋯N4	O1W⋯N4	O1W-H11W⋯N4
0.79(5)	2.03(5)	2.813(4)	170(5)

Table S9. Details of the coordination environment for compounds **1-4**.

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Minimum distance	N1 = 2.158(5)	N2 = 1.902(5)	N3 = 2.099(8)	N2 = 2.138(3)
Maximum distance	N4 = 2.350(4)	N4 = 2.046(5)	N2 = 2.239(8)	N1 = 2.184(3)
ℓ_{av} (Å)	2.2636	1.9769	2.1887	2.1582
Volume (Å ³)	15.4291	3.9123	13.9122	13.3324
D	0.03120	0.03345	0.02745	0.00810
$\langle \lambda \rangle$	1.0027	1.0101	1.0041	1.0037
σ^2 (° ²)	0.8913	45.3154	8.5863	12.9896

ℓ_{av} is the average bond length; $D = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{|\ell_i - \ell_{av}|}{\ell_{av}}$ is the distortion index on bond lengths¹⁴, where ℓ_i is the distance from the central atom to the i^{th} coordinating atom; $\langle \lambda \rangle = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\ell_i}{\ell_o} \right)^2$ is the quadratic elongation¹⁵ where ℓ_o is the center to vertex distance of a regular polyhedron of the same volume; $\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{m-1} \sum_{i=1}^m (\phi_i - \phi_o)^2$ is the bond angle variance¹⁵, where m is the number of bond angles, ϕ_i the i^{th} bond angle and ϕ_o the ideal bond angle for a regular polyhedron.

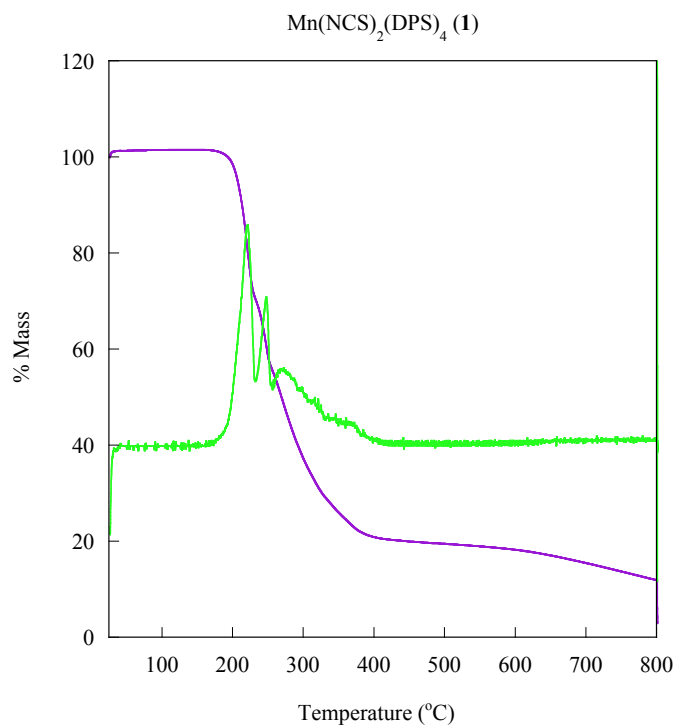


Fig. S2. Graphic of TG and DTG of compound $\text{Mn}(\text{NCS})_2(\text{DPS})_4$ (1)

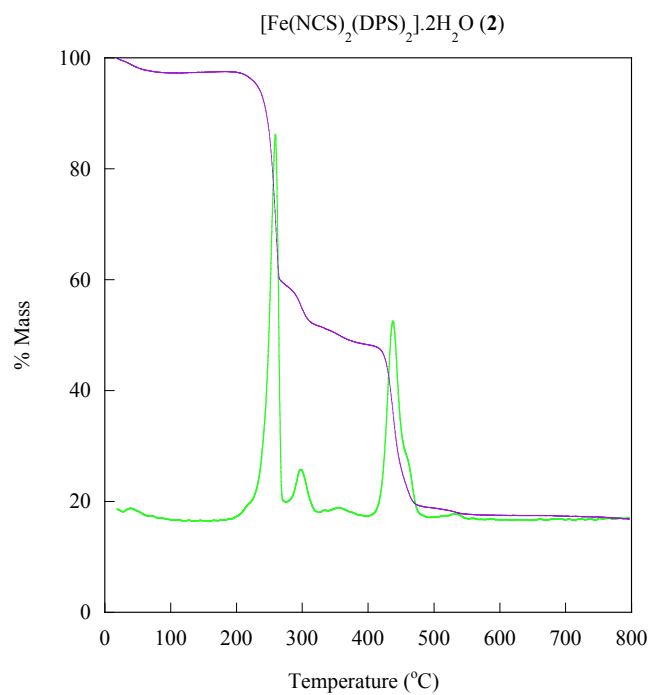


Fig. S3. Graphic of TG and DTG of compound $[\text{Fe}(\text{NCS})_2(\text{DPS})_2] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (2)

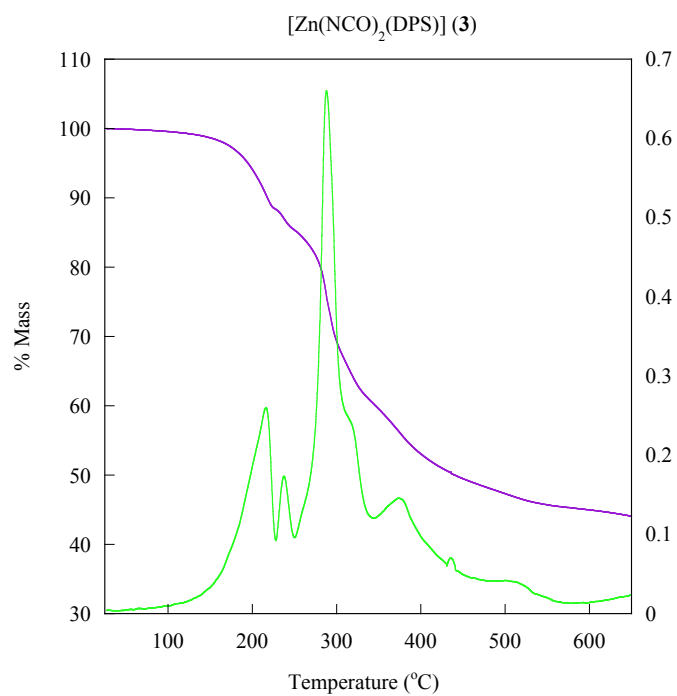


Fig. S4. Graphic of TG and DTG of compound $[\text{Zn}(\text{NCO})_2(\text{DPS})] \text{ (3)}$

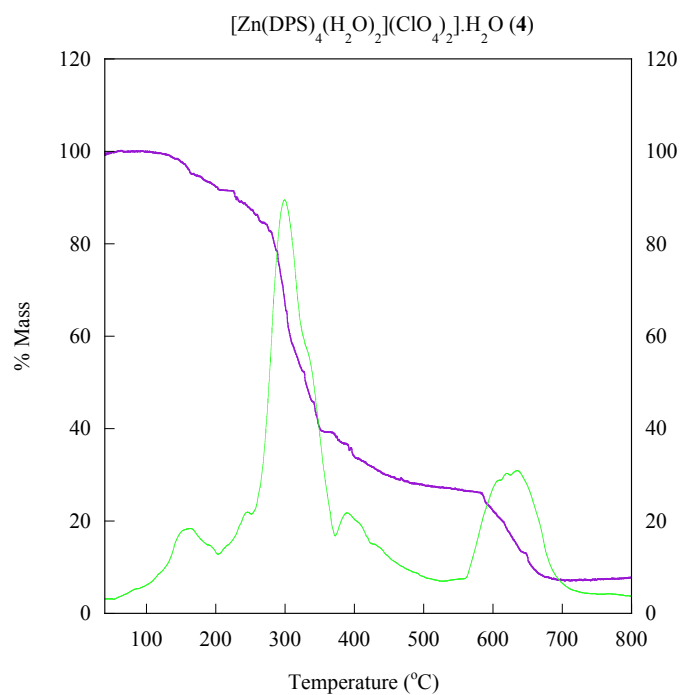


Fig. S5. Graphic of TG and DTG of compound $[\text{Zn}(\text{DPS})_4(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2](\text{ClO}_4)_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O} \text{ (4)}$

Table S10. Thermogravimetric analysis for compounds **1-4**. Notice that owing to the complex TG/DTG behaviour showed by compound **3** (see Fig. S4) the interpretation of the decomposition process is merely qualitative

COMPOUND	STEP	T _i (°C)	T _f (°C)	%Δm exper.	%Δm theor.	Assignment (per unit formula)
[Mn(DPS) ₄ (NCS) ₂]	1	193	479	80.2	81.48	Loss of 4 DPS ligands
	2	479	791	12.27	12.56	Decomposition of NCS group
	TOTAL	193	791	92.47	94.04	
[Fe(NCS) ₂ (DPS) ₂] ₂ ·2H ₂ O	1	40	190	4	6.15	Loss of 2 molecules of water
	2	190	421	54.9	64.4	Decomposition of DPS ligands
	3	421	514	24.2	19.9	Pyrolysis of NCS groups
	TOTAL	40	514	83.1	90.45	
[Zn(NCO) ₂ (DPS)]	1	110	278	14.74		Decomposition of DPS ligand
	2	278	323	24.12		
	3	323	572	15.86		Pyrolysis of NCO groups
	TOTAL	110	572	54.72		
[Zn(DPS) ₄ (H ₂ O) ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂] ₂ ·H ₂ O	1	67	171	5.23	5.04	Loss of 3 molecules of water
	2	171	570	68.23	68.04	Decomposition of 4 DPS ligands
	3	570	700	19.11	18.56	Pyrolysis of ClO ₄ groups
	TOTAL	67	700	92.57	91.64	

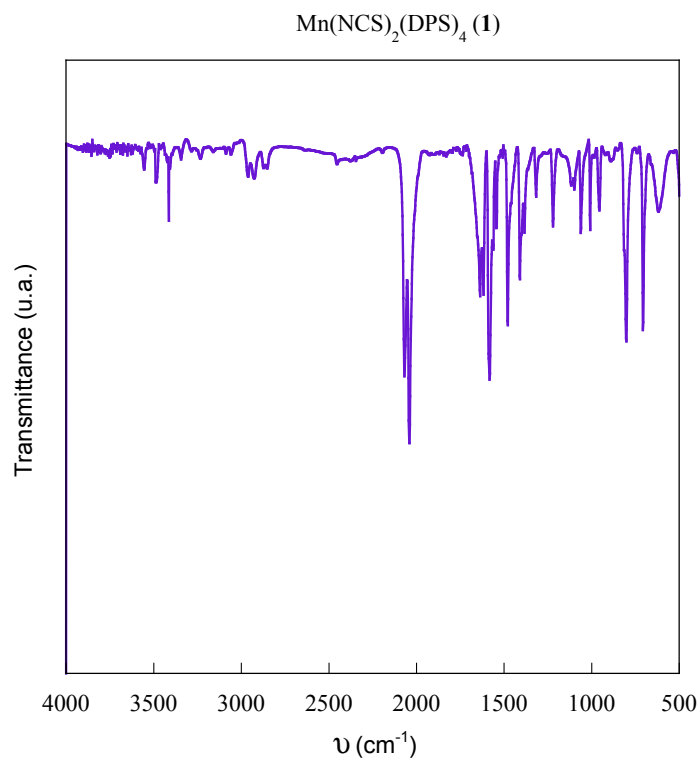


Fig. S6. IR spectra of $\text{Mn}(\text{NCS})_2(\text{DPS})_4$ (**1**).

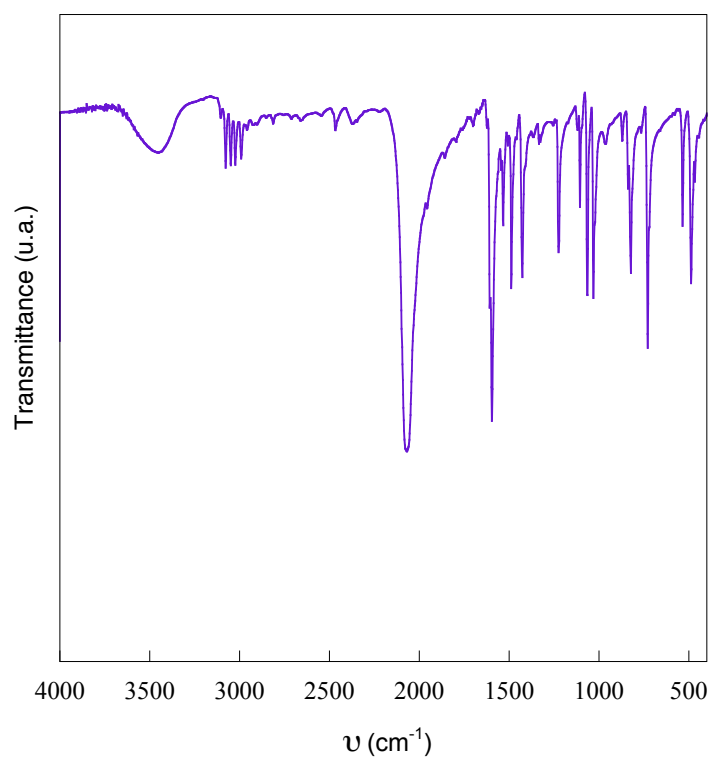


Fig. S7. IR spectra of $[\text{Fe}(\text{NCS})_2(\text{DPS})_2] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (**2**)

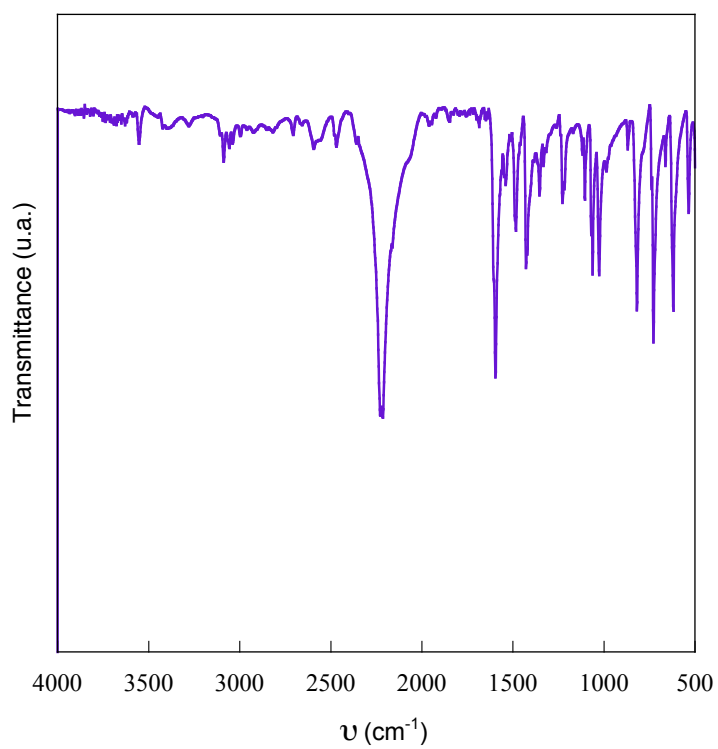
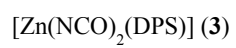


Fig. S8. IR spectra of $[\text{Zn}(\text{NCO})_2(\text{DPS})] \text{ (3)}$
 $[\text{Zn}(\text{bps})_4(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2](\text{ClO}_4)_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O} \text{ (4)}$

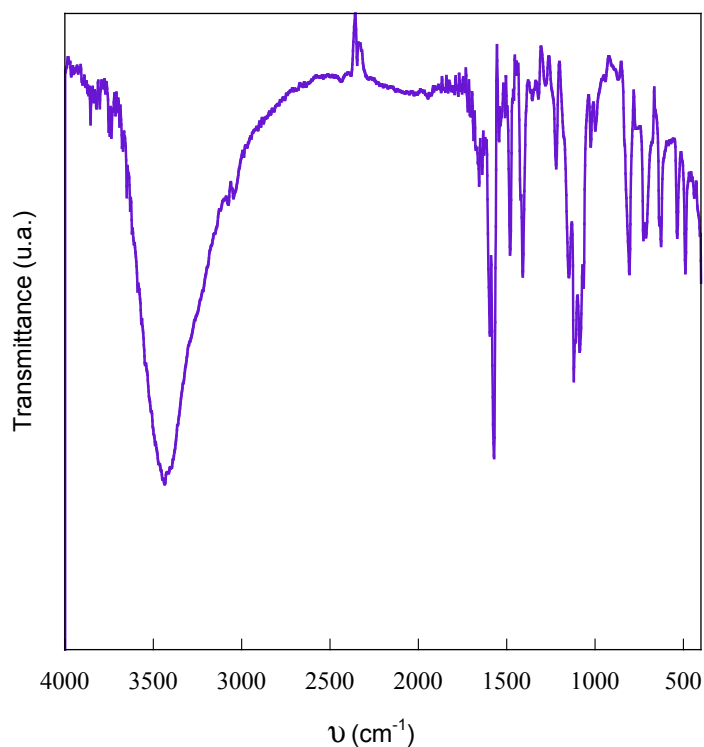


Fig. S9. IR spectra of $[\text{Zn}(\text{DPS})_4(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2](\text{ClO}_4)_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O} \text{ (4)}$

Table S11. Interpretation of IR bands in compounds 1-4. Bands corresponding to DPS are also included for reference.

DPS	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	assignment
		3450		3500	$\nu(\text{O-H})_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}$
3000	2980	3000	3000-3100	3020	$\nu(\text{C-H})_{\text{DPS}}$
	2095	2064	2212		$\nu_{\text{as}}(\text{C-N})_{\text{NCO/NCS}}$
1576	1579	1598	1598	1570	$\nu(\text{C=C}), \nu(\text{C=N})_{\text{DPS}}$
1413	1481	1420	1429	1480	$\nu(\text{ArC-C})_{\text{DPS}}$
	1229	805	1229		$\nu(\text{C-O/S})_{\text{NCO/NCS}}$
				1093	$\nu_{\text{as}}(\text{Cl-O})_{\text{ClO}_4}$
1067/991	1063/1005	1095/1058	1065/1029	1062/1070	$\delta_{\text{ep}}(\text{ArC-H})_{\text{DPS}}$
700	694	712	732	740	$\nu_{\text{fp}}(\text{ArC-S})_{\text{DPS}}$
	626	690	620		$\delta(\text{NCO})_{\text{NCO/NCS}}$
				630	$\nu_{\text{Fas}}(\text{Cl-O})_{\text{ClO}_4}$