

## Electronic Supplementary Information

### Two ways spin crossover in iron(II) coordination polymer associated with conformational changes of bridging ligand

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**Table S1.** Crystallographic data for **bbtre** (CCDC 1885384) at 290 K.

Chemical formula	C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>20</sub> N <sub>6</sub>
Formula Mass	248.34
Crystal system	Monoclinic
Space group	P 2 <sub>1</sub> /c
Z	2
Unit cell dimensions	
<i>a</i> /Å	7.9659(12)
<i>b</i> /Å	10.0866(13)
<i>c</i> /Å	8.5204(19)
$\alpha$ /°	90
$\beta$ /°	91.881(15)
$\gamma$ /°	90
Unit cell volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	684.2(2)
F(000)	268
<i>D<sub>x</sub></i> (Mg m <sup>-3</sup> )	1.205
$\mu$ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	0.078
Theta range for data collection/°	3.995 to 26.372
Range of <i>h, k, l</i>	-9 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 9 -12 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 12 -5 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 10
No. of measured reflections	5415
No. of independent reflections	1399
<i>R<sub>int</sub></i>	0.0228
Data / restraints / parameters	1399 / 0 / 103
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.138
Final <i>R<sub>1</sub></i> values ( <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> ))	0.0765
Final <i>wR(F<sup>2</sup>)</i> values ( <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> ))	0.2590
Final <i>R<sub>2</sub></i> values (all data)	0.0849
Final <i>wR(F<sup>2</sup>)</i> values (all data)	0.2661
Largest diff. peak and hole/eÅ <sup>3</sup>	0.206 and -0.222

**Table S2.** Crystallographic data for complex **1** at various temperatures.

	HT(HS)	LT(HS)	LT(HS/LS)	HT1(LS)	HT1(HS)	HT2(HS) (average structure)	HT2(LS) (average structure)
CCDC number	1953184	1953185	1953186	1953187	1953188	1953189	1953190
T/K	295 K	200 K	80 K	80 K	150 K	170 K	80 K
Chemical formula	C <sub>40</sub> H <sub>66</sub> FeN <sub>20</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	C <sub>40</sub> H <sub>66</sub> FeN <sub>20</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	C <sub>40</sub> H <sub>66</sub> FeN <sub>20</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	C <sub>40</sub> H <sub>66</sub> FeN <sub>20</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	C <sub>40</sub> H <sub>66</sub> FeN <sub>20</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	C <sub>40</sub> H <sub>66</sub> FeN <sub>20</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	C <sub>40</sub> H <sub>66</sub> FeN <sub>20</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> O <sub>8</sub>
Formula Mass	1081.87	1081.87	1081.87	1081.87	1081.87	1081.87	1081.87
Crystal system	Triclinic						
Space group	P-1						
Z	1	2	2	1	1	1	1
Unit cell dimensions							
<i>a</i> /Å	10.7647(12)	12.6332(5)	12.5034(4)	10.6081(4)	10.5814(9)	10.5853(3)	10.4994(2)
<i>b</i> /Å	12.3715(19)	12.6307(5)	12.4324(4)	12.2651(5)	12.2474(11)	12.3116(4)	12.2450(4)
<i>c</i> /Å	12.6339(12)	20.0943(8)	19.9466(6)	12.2885(5)	12.3911(10)	12.3848(3)	12.1324(3)
$\alpha$ /°	80.904(11)	76.144(4)	76.225(3)	82.533(3)	84.459(7)	84.833(2)	84.628(2)
$\beta$ /°	71.656(10)	75.831(4)	75.945(3)	72.690(4)	74.221(7)	74.339(2)	73.4236(19)
$\gamma$ /°	72.218(12)	83.005(3)	83.381(3)	72.256(4)	73.784(8)	73.659(3)	72.557(2)
Unit cell volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	1517.2(3)	3011.6(2)	2915.88(17)	1452.46(11)	1483.5(2)	1491.15(7)	1426.18(6)
F(000)	570	1140	1140	570	570	570	570
<i>D<sub>x</sub></i> (Mg m <sup>-3</sup> )	1.184	1.193	1.232	1.237	1.211	1.205	1.260
$\mu$ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	0.395	3.321	3.430	0.413	3.371	0.402	0.421
Theta range for data collection/°	3.250 to 26.372	3.612 to 73.408	3.651 to 73.878	3.066 to 35.934	3.708 to 73.576	3.191 to 26.372	3.244 to 26.370
Completeness	theta = 25.242° 89.9	theta = 67.684° 99.7 %	theta = 67.684° 99.4 %	theta = 25.500° 99.9 %	theta = 67.684° 99.9 %	theta = 25.242° 99.7 %	theta = 25.242° 99.8 %
Range of <i>h, k, l</i>	-13 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 8 -15 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 15 -11 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 14	-15 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 15 -15 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 14 -19 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 24	-15 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 15 -15 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 14 -20 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 24	-17 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 14 -20 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 17 -19 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 20	-13 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 11 -15 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 13 -15 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 15	-10 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 13 -15 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 15 -15 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 15	-11 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 13 -15 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 15 -15 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 15
No. of measured reflections	5943	20643	20297	21201	10551	12419	11877
No. of independent reflections	5472	11737	11299	12339	5779	6093	5813
<i>R<sub>int</sub></i>	0.0184	0.0898	0.0391	0.0251	0.0790	0.0243	0.0230
Data / restraints / parameters	5472 / 103 / 375	11737 / 92 / 788	11299 / 97 / 786	12339 / 134 / 443	5779 / 126 / 442	6093 / 239 / 431	5813 / 130 / 422
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.301	1.277	1.295	1.217	1.087	1.419	1.606
Final <i>R<sub>1</sub></i> values ( <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> ))	0.1359	0.1165	0.1075	0.0865	0.1090	0.1018	0.1064
Final w <i>R</i> (F <sup>2</sup> ) values ( <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> ))	0.3564	0.3002	0.3032	0.2439	0.2838	0.3040	0.3319
Final <i>R<sub>1</sub></i> values (all data)	0.1861	0.1381	0.1360	0.1065	0.1334	0.1123	0.1148
Final w <i>R</i> (F <sup>2</sup> ) values (all data)	0.4091	0.3295	0.3362	0.2656	0.3180	0.3227	0.3481
Largest diff. peak and hole/eÅ <sup>3</sup>	1.080 and -1.104	1.179 and -1.013	1.059 and -0.910	1.202 and -0.829	0.962 and -0.943	1.484 and -1.034	1.793 and -1.143

**Table S3.** Selected Fe-N distances (Å), torsion angles (°) and Fe···Fe interatomic distances (Å) for HT(HS) at 295 K in **1**. *t* = *trans*, *g* = *gauche*.

	295 K (cooling) HT(HS)
Fe1-N1A	2.201(5)
Fe1-N1B	2.162(5)
Fe1-N1C	2.167(5)
Fe1···Fe1 <sup>i</sup> [-110] ( <i>t</i> <i>t</i> <i>t</i> )	13.696(2)
C1c-C3c-C4c-C4c <sup>ii</sup>	179(1) ( <i>t</i> )
C3c-C4c-C4c <sup>ii</sup> -C3c <sup>ii</sup>	180 ( <i>t</i> )
Fe1···Fe1 <sup>iii</sup> [10-1] ( <i>t</i> <i>t</i> <i>t</i> )	13.780(2)
C1b-C3b-C4b-C4b <sup>iv</sup>	174(2) ( <i>t</i> )
C3b-C4b-C4b <sup>iv</sup> -C3b <sup>iv</sup>	180 ( <i>t</i> )
Fe1···Fe1 <sup>v</sup> [001] ( <i>g</i> <i>t</i> <i>g</i> )	12.634(1)
C1a-C3a-C4a-C4a <sup>vi</sup>	-64(1) ( <i>g</i> )
C3a-C4a-C4a <sup>vi</sup> -C3a <sup>vi</sup>	180 ( <i>t</i> )

Symmetry operations: <sup>i</sup> 1+x, -1+y, z; <sup>ii</sup> 2-x, -y, 1-z; <sup>iii</sup> -1+x, y, 1+z; <sup>iv</sup> -x, 1-y, 2-z; <sup>v</sup> x, y, -1+z; <sup>vi</sup> 1-x, 1-y, -z

**Table S4.** Selected Fe-N distances (Å), torsion angles (°) and Fe···Fe interatomic distances (Å) for LT(HS) at 200 K (cooling) and for LT(LS) at 80 K in **1**. *t* = *trans*, *g* = *gauche*.

	200 K (cooling) LT(HS)	80 K (cooling) LT(HS)
Fe1-N3	2.201(4)	2.144(5)
Fe1-N13	2.195(4)	2.138(5)
Fe1-N23	2.192(4)	2.130(4)
Fe1-N33	2.200(4)	2.136(4)
Fe1-N43	2.204(4)	2.144(5)
Fe1-N53	2.207(4)	2.148(4)
Fe1···Fe1 <sup>i</sup> [1-1-1]* ( <i>t</i> <i>t</i> <i>t</i> )	13.728(1)	13.608(2)
C21-C23-C24-C24 <sup>i</sup>	179.4(7) ( <i>t</i> )	179.9(8) ( <i>t</i> )
C23-C24-C24 <sup>i</sup> -C23 <sup>i</sup>	180 ( <i>t</i> )	180 ( <i>t</i> )
Fe1···Fe1 <sup>ii</sup> [1-1-1]* ( <i>g</i> <i>t</i> <i>g</i> )	12.602(1)	12.492(2)
C1-C3-C4-C4 <sup>ii</sup>	-62(1) ( <i>g</i> )	-62(1) ( <i>g</i> )
C3-C4-C4 <sup>ii</sup> -C3 <sup>ii</sup>	180 ( <i>t</i> )	180.0 ( <i>t</i> )
C4-C4 <sup>ii</sup> -C3 <sup>ii</sup> -C1 <sup>ii</sup>	62(1) ( <i>g</i> )	62(1) ( <i>g</i> )
Fe1···Fe1 <sup>iii</sup> [1-11]** ( <i>t</i> <i>t</i> <i>t</i> )	13.856(1)	13.742(1)
C41-C43-C44-C44 <sup>iii</sup>	-179.9(9) ( <i>t</i> )	173(1)( <i>t</i> )
C43-C44-C44 <sup>iii</sup> -C43 <sup>iii</sup>	180 ( <i>t</i> )	180 ( <i>t</i> )
Fe1···Fe1 <sup>iv</sup> [1-11]** ( <i>g</i> <i>t</i> <i>g</i> )	12.570(1)	12.467(1)
C11-C13-C14-C14 <sup>iv</sup>	76(2) ( <i>g</i> )	86(2) ( <i>g</i> )
C13-C14-C14 <sup>iv</sup> -C13 <sup>iv</sup>	180 ( <i>t</i> )	180 ( <i>t</i> )
C14-C14 <sup>iv</sup> -C13 <sup>iv</sup> -C11 <sup>iv</sup>	-80(2) ( <i>g</i> )	-86(2) ( <i>g</i> )
Fe1···Fe1 <sup>v</sup> [200]*** ( <i>g</i> <i>t</i> <i>g</i> )	12.633(1)	12.503(1)
C31-C33-C34-C54 <sup>v</sup>	-64(7) ( <i>g</i> )	-63.7(7) ( <i>g</i> )
C33-C34-C54 <sup>v</sup> -C53 <sup>v</sup>	-177.8(5) ( <i>t</i> )	-177.7(5) ( <i>t</i> )
C34-C54 <sup>v</sup> -C53 <sup>v</sup> -C51 <sup>v</sup>	55.5(7) ( <i>g</i> )	55.3(8) ( <i>g</i> )

Symmetry operations: <sup>i</sup> 2-x, 1-y, 1-z; <sup>ii</sup> 3-x, -y, -z; <sup>iii</sup> 3-x, -y, 1-z; <sup>iv</sup> 2-x, 1-y, -z; <sup>v</sup> -1+x, y, z.

\*Corresponds to [-110] bridging direction in HT structures.

\*\*Corresponds to [10-1] bridging direction in HT structures, torsion angles are given only for one site.

\*\*\*Corresponds to [001] bridging direction in HT structures.

**Table S5.** Selected Fe-N distances (Å), torsion angles (°) and Fe···Fe interatomic distances (Å) for: HT1(LS) at 80 K (rapid cooling) and HT1(HS) at 150 K (heating) in **1**.

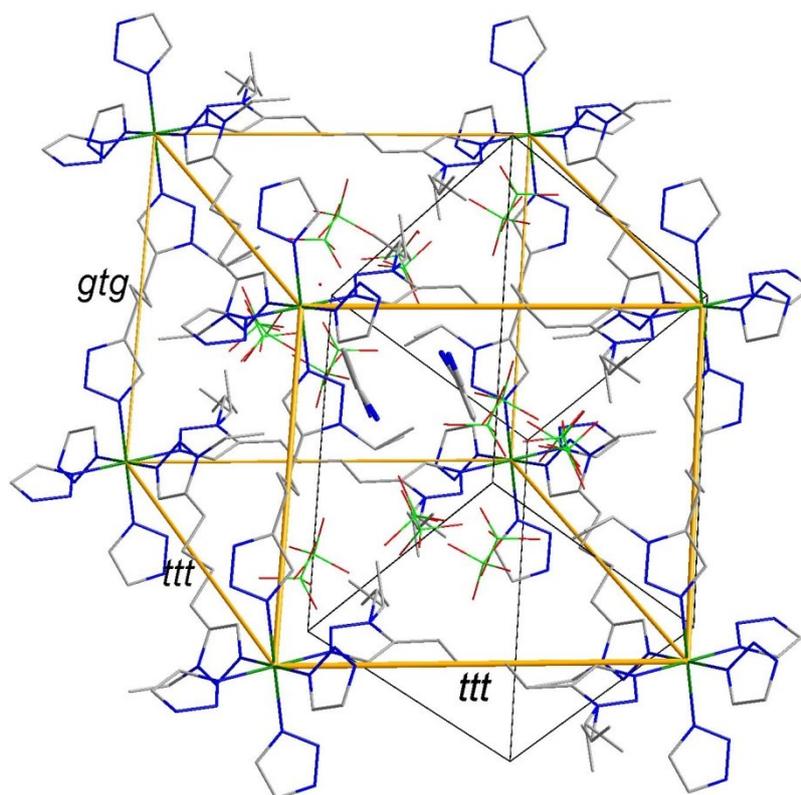
	80 K (rapid cooling) HT1(LS)	150 K (heating after rapid cooling) HT1(HS)
Fe-N1a	2.011(2)	2.186(4)
Fe-N1b	2.001(2)	2.180(4)
Fe-N1c	2.002(2)	2.177(4)
Fe1···Fe1 <sup>i</sup> [-110] ( <i>ttt</i> )	13.552(1)	13.769(2)
C1c-C3c-C4c-C4c <sup>ii</sup>	-179.5(4)( <i>t</i> )	179.6(8) ( <i>t</i> )
C3c-C4c-C4c <sup>ii</sup> -C3c <sup>ii</sup>	180 ( <i>t</i> )	180 ( <i>t</i> )
Fe1···Fe1 <sup>iii</sup> [10-1] ( <i>tgt</i> )	13.637(1)	13.936(1)
C1b-C3b-C4b-C5b	179.4(3) ( <i>t</i> )	177(1) ( <i>t</i> )
C3b-C4b-C5b <sup>iv</sup> -C3b <sup>iv</sup>	-75.0(5) ( <i>g</i> )	-87(2) ( <i>g</i> )
C4b-C5b-C3b <sup>iv</sup> -C1b <sup>iv</sup>	178.4(3) ( <i>t</i> )	-172(2) ( <i>t</i> )
Fe1···Fe1 <sup>v</sup> [001] ( <i>gtg</i> )	12.289(1)	12.391(1)
C1a-C3a-C4a-C4a <sup>vi</sup>	-64.2(4) ( <i>g</i> )	-65.1(8) ( <i>g</i> )
C3a-C4a-C4a <sup>vi</sup> -C3a <sup>vi</sup>	180 ( <i>t</i> )	180 ( <i>t</i> )

Symmetry operations: <sup>i</sup> 1+x, -1+y, z; <sup>ii</sup> 2-x, -y, 1-z; <sup>iii</sup> -1+x, y, 1+z; <sup>iv</sup> -x, 1-y, 2-z; <sup>v</sup> x, y, -1+z; <sup>vi</sup> 1-x, 1-y, -z

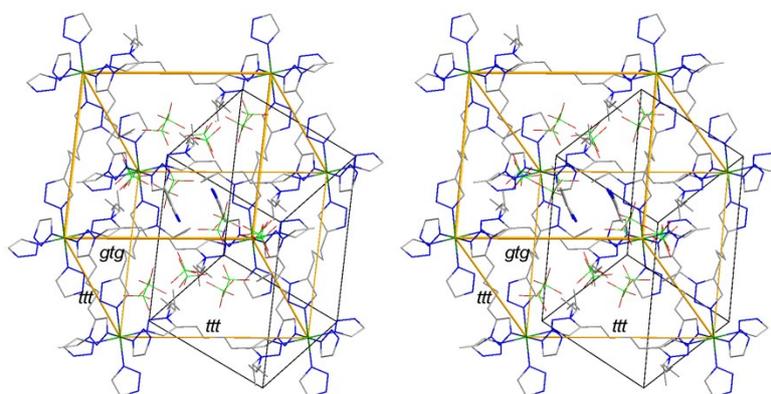
**Table S6.** Selected Fe-N distances (Å), torsion angles (°) and Fe···Fe interatomic distances (Å) for: HT2(HS) at 170 K (heating) and HT2(LS) at 80 K (cooling) in **1** (average structure).

	170 K (heating from 150 K) HT2(HS)	80 K (cooling from 170 K) HT2(LS)
Fe-N1a	2.190(3)	2.004(3)
Fe-N1b	2.191(3)	2.001(3)
Fe-N1c	2.197(3)	2.010(3)
Fe1···Fe1 <sup>i</sup> [-110] ( <i>ttt</i> )	13.795(1)	13.531(1)
C1c-C3c-C4c-C4c <sup>ii</sup>	179.5(6) ( <i>t</i> )	-179.4(6) ( <i>t</i> )
C3c-C4c-C4c <sup>ii</sup> -C3c <sup>ii</sup>	180 ( <i>t</i> )	180 ( <i>t</i> )
Fe1···Fe1 <sup>iii</sup> [10-1] ( <i>tgt</i> )	13.952(1)	13.592(1)
C1b-C3b-C4b-C5b	175.5(8) ( <i>t</i> )	-179.4(6) ( <i>t</i> )
C3b-C4b-C5b <sup>iv</sup> -C3b <sup>iv</sup>	-84(1) ( <i>g</i> )	-81.9(9) ( <i>g</i> )
C4b-C5b-C3b <sup>iv</sup> -C1b <sup>iv</sup>	-177(1) ( <i>t</i> )	178.3(6) ( <i>t</i> )
Fe1···Fe1 <sup>v</sup> [001] ( <i>gtg</i> )	12.385(1)	12.132(1)
C1a-C3a-C4a-C4a <sup>vi</sup>	-62.6(6) ( <i>g</i> )	-63.4(6) ( <i>g</i> )
C3a-C4a-C4a <sup>vi</sup> -C3a <sup>vi</sup>	180 ( <i>t</i> )	180 ( <i>t</i> )

Symmetry operations: <sup>i</sup> 1+x, -1+y, z; <sup>ii</sup> 2-x, -y, 1-z; <sup>iii</sup> -1+x, y, 1+z; <sup>iv</sup> -x, 1-y, 2-z; <sup>v</sup> x, y, -1+z; <sup>vi</sup> 1-x, 1-y, -z



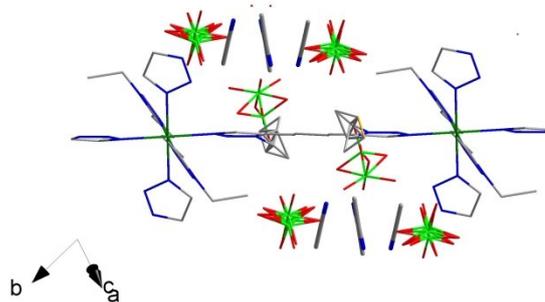
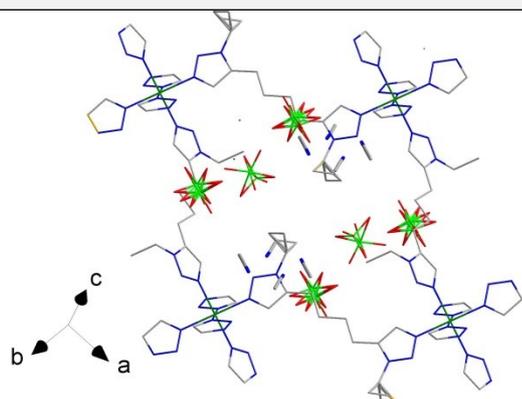
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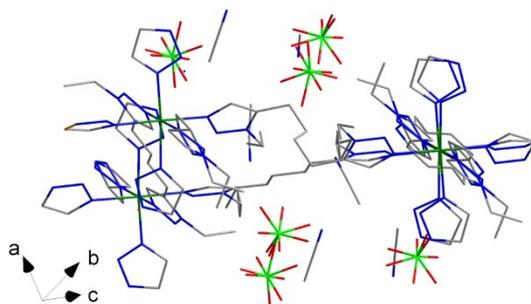
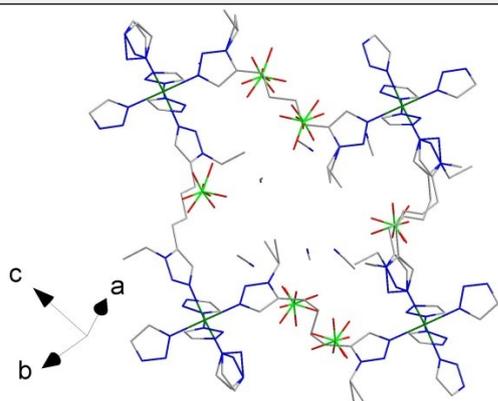
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**Figure S1.** Perspective view (a) and 3D stereoview (b) of three-dimensional network in **1** at 295 K (HT(HS) structure). Hydrogen atoms were omitted for clarity. The orange lines were added in order to track iron···iron connectivity.

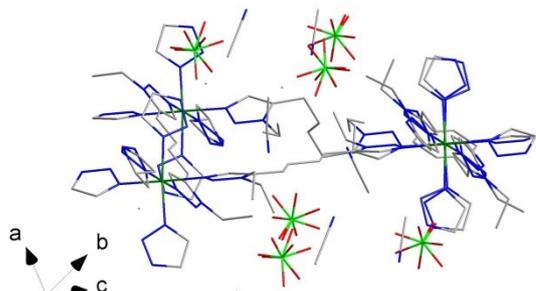
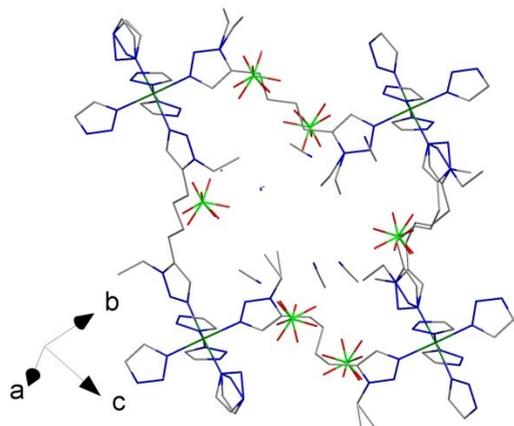
HT(HS), 295 K



LT(HS), 200 K

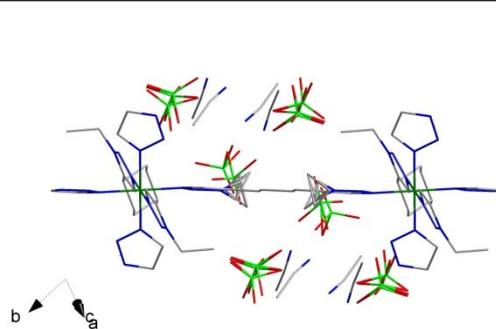
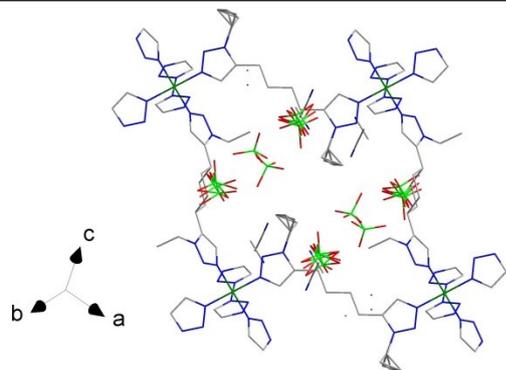


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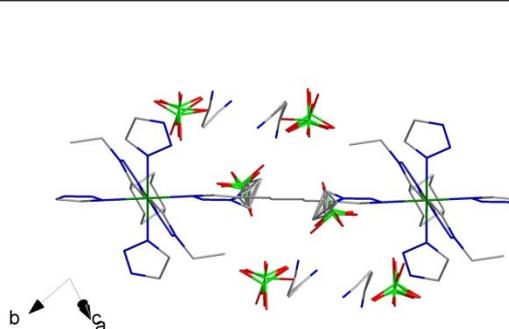
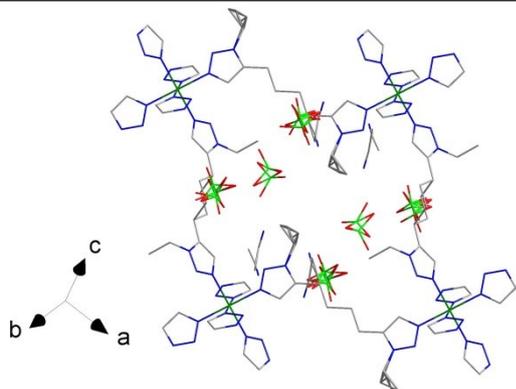


**Figure S2.** Comparison of the layers in **1** in: HT(HS) at 295 K, LT(HS) at 200 K, LT(LS) at 80 K showing change of conformation of ligands and vanishing of common plane created by bridged iron(II) ions (right column).

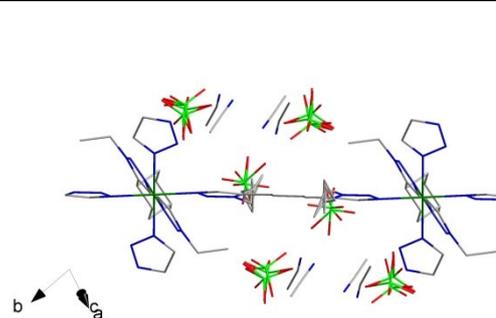
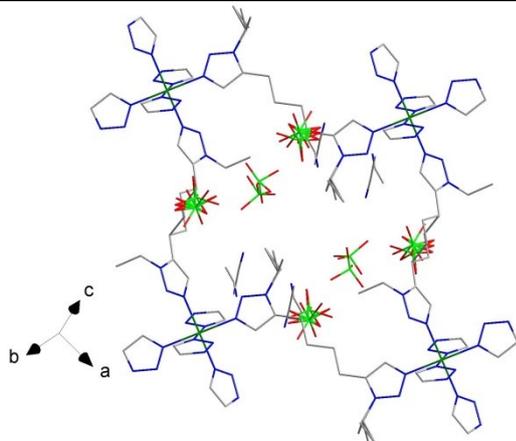
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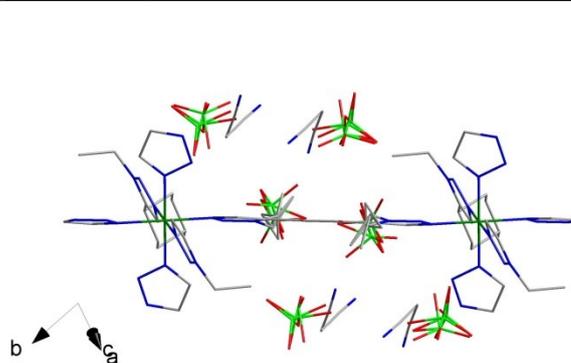
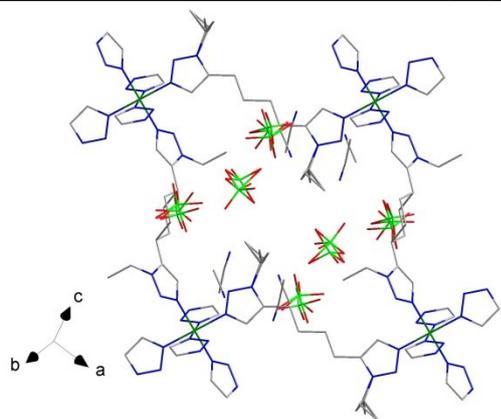
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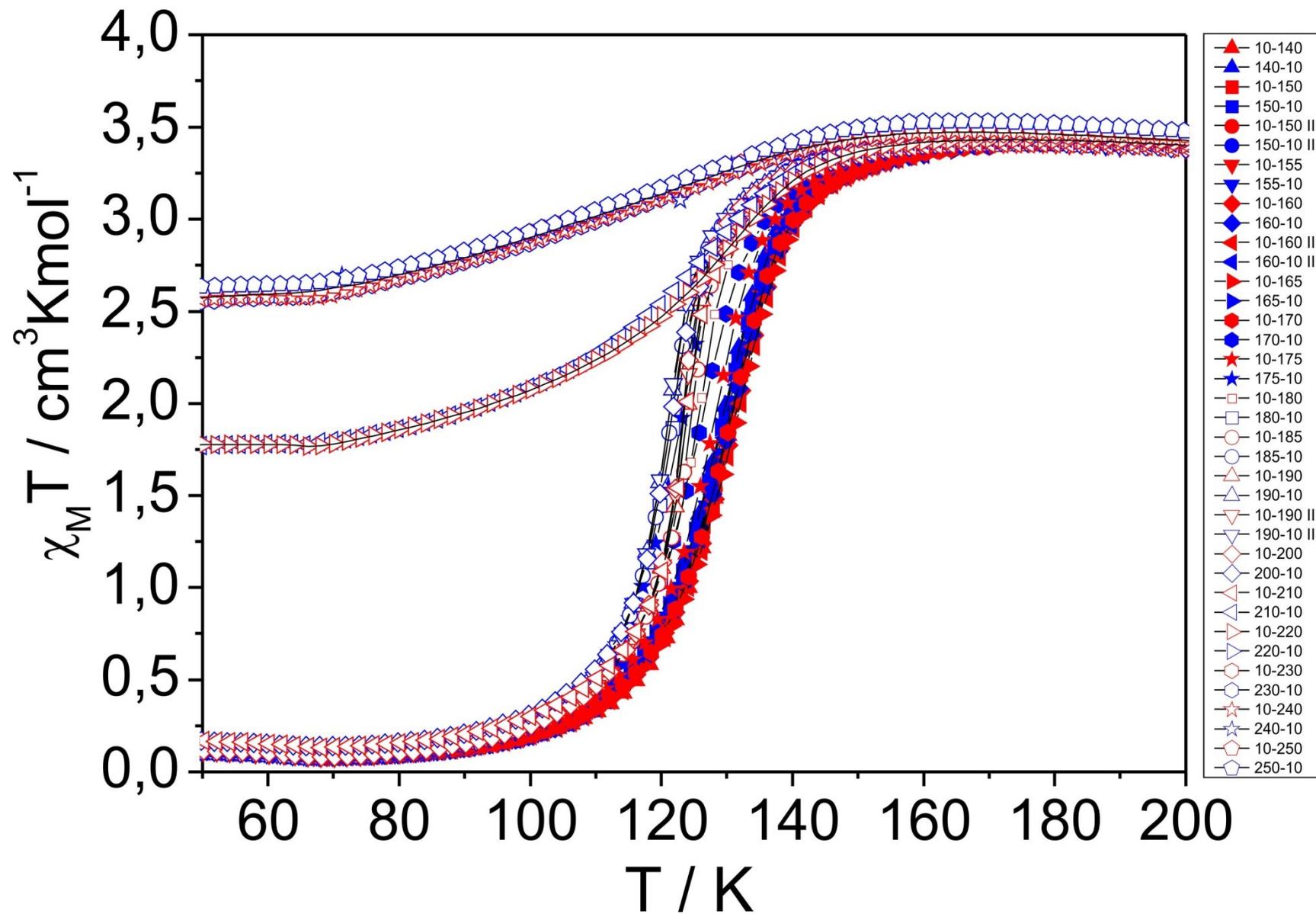
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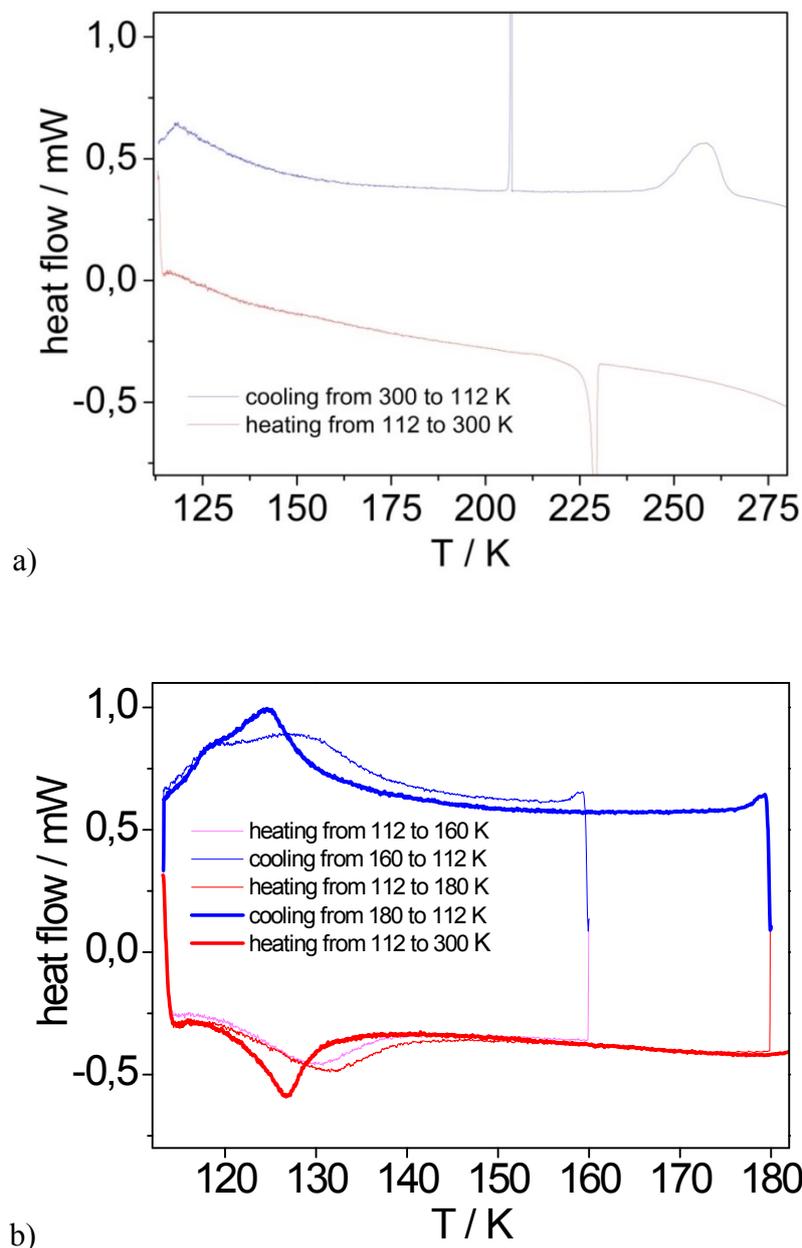
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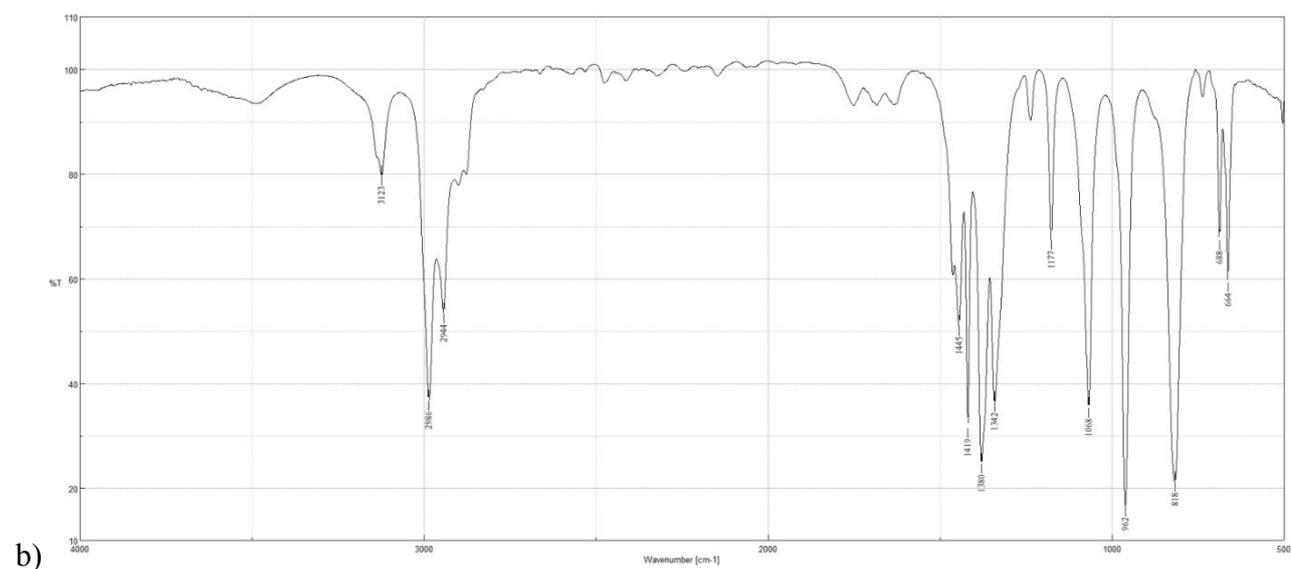
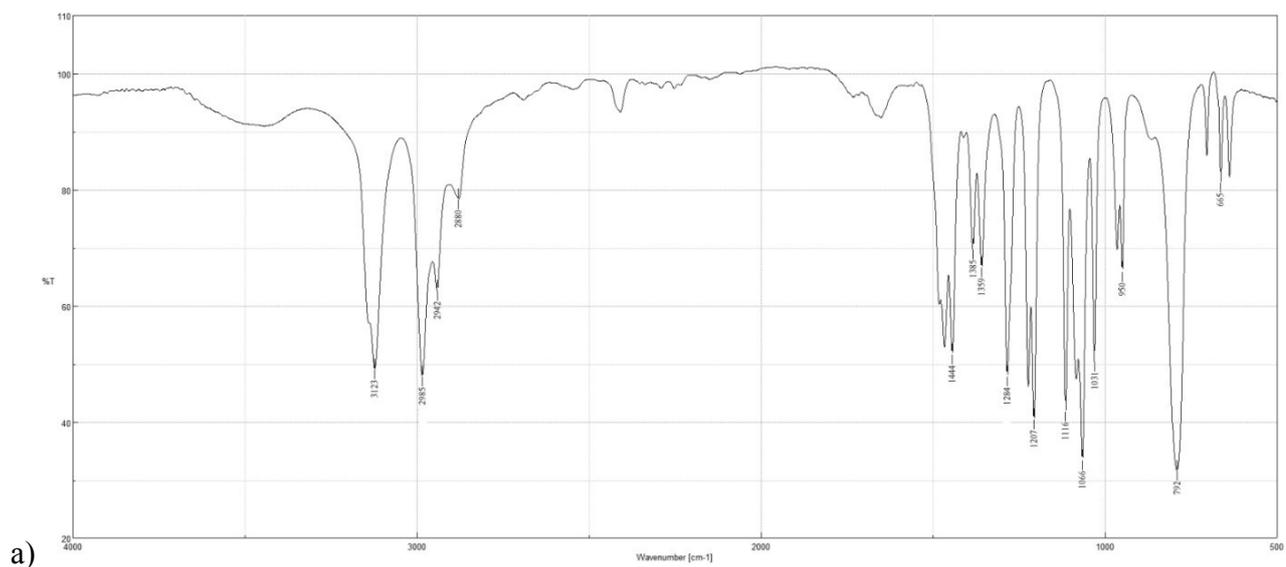
**Figure S2 continued.** Comparison of the layers in **1** in: HT1(LS) at 80 K, HT1(HS) at 150 K, HT2(HS) at 170 K, HT2(LS) at 80 K.



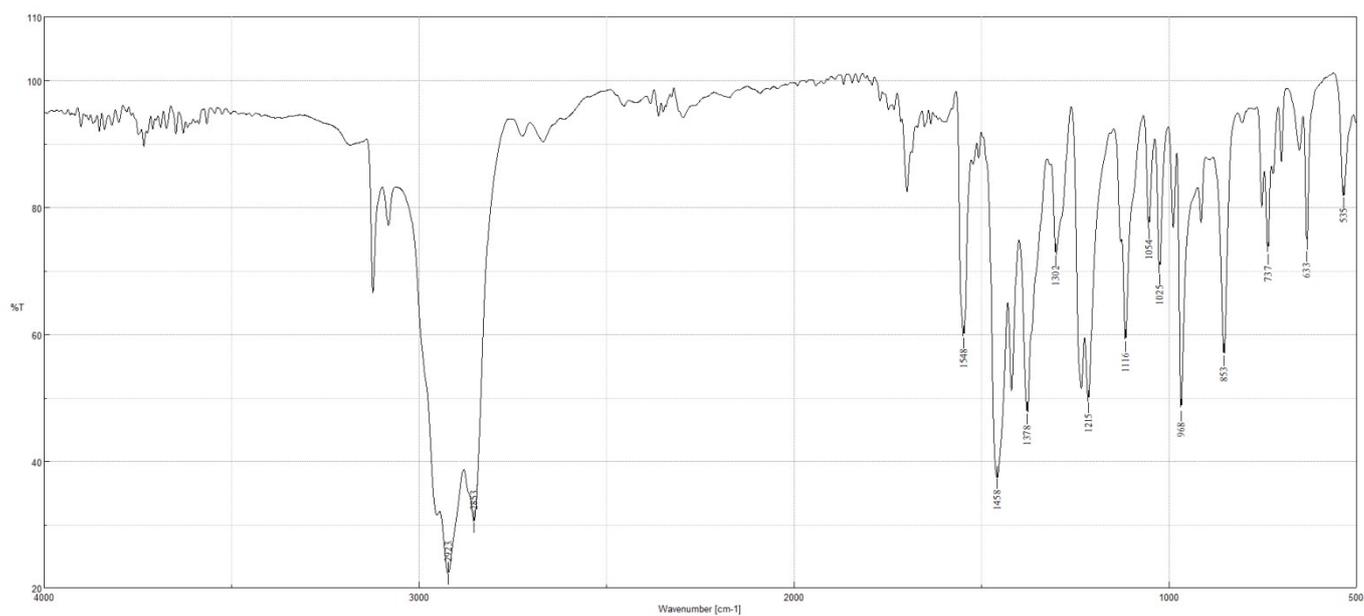
**Figure S3.**  $\chi_M T$  vs.  $T$  dependencies obtained for consecutive heating/cooling cycles of rapidly cooled sample of **1** together with full experimental protocol placed in the frame on the right side (II denotes additional cycle (cooling/heating) in the same temperature range carried out after completion the first one). After finishing cooling/heating cycle in the given temperature range, temperature was elevated at 5 or 10 K and next cycle cooling/heating was carried out.



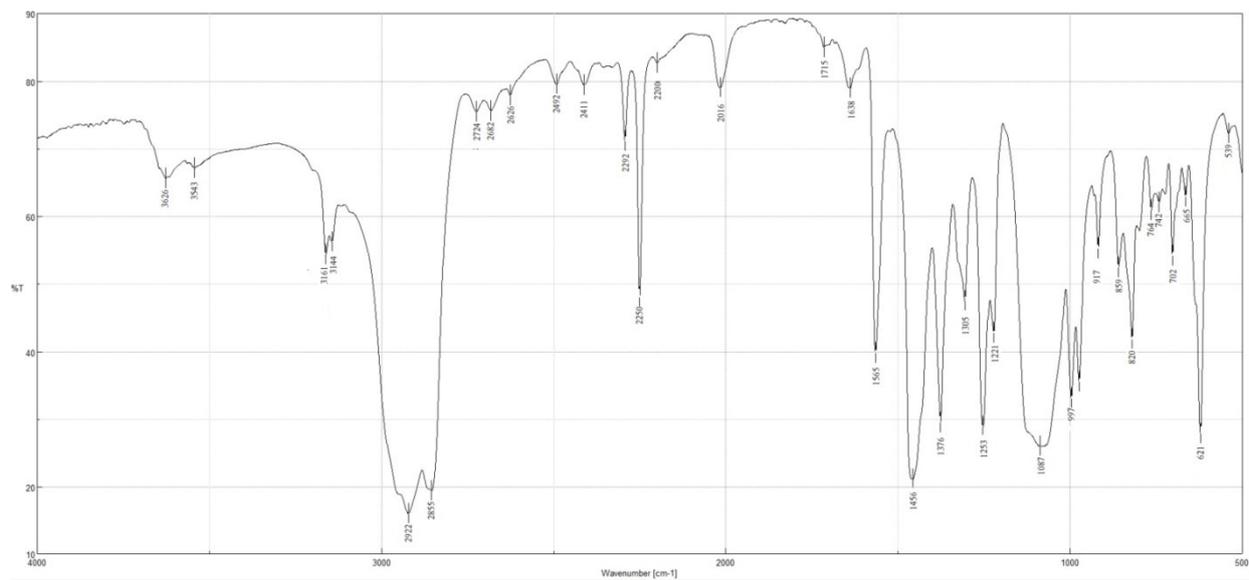
**Figure S4.** DSC curve for **1** (wetted with acetonitrile) recorded at 2 K/min shows presence of exothermic peak during heating and absence of the one during heating (a) and measurements recorded after initial rapid cooling of sample at 112 K which was followed then by consecutive heating/cooling cycles recorded at 2 K/min showing a shift of peaks to lower temperatures after reaching 180 K which remains in agreement with results of magnetic and single crystal X-ray diffraction studies(b). The peaks on picture (a) around 210K (cooling) and 230 K (heating) result from presence of acetonitrile. Below 120 K the apparatus loses control of cooling velocity (2 K/min) which is visible as change of line slope.



**Figure S5.** FTIR spectra (film) for **1etr** (a), **2etr** (b).



**Figure S6.** IR spectrum (nujol mull) for **bbtre**.



**Figure S7.** FTIR spectrum (nujol mull) for **1**.