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## **Electronic supplementary information**

## Syntheses, structures and magnetic properties in two isostructural dicyanamide-bridged 2D polymers <sup>†</sup>

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Fig S1  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions (orange dashed lines) between aromatic rings in 1 and 2. Hydrogen atoms not involved in hydrogen bonds are omitted for clarity.

Symmetry codes: iii = -x, 1 - y, 1 - z; iv = 1 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z.



Fig. S2 X-band EPR spectrum of 1 measured at 2.2 K.



**Fig. S3** Frequency dependence of real (left panel) and imaginary (right panel) component of AC susceptibility of **1** measured at different applied DC fields measured at 2 K including the fit of the modified Debye model (an additional Debye function was included to take into account a very small contribution at higher frequencies).



**Fig. S4** Frequency dependence of real (left panel) and imaginary (right panel) component of AC susceptibility of **1** measured at an applied DC field 0.7 T in the temperature range 1.8 - 5.25 K including the fit of the modified Debye model (an additional Debye function was included to take into account a very small contribution at higher frequencies).



**Fig. S5** Structure of all fragments used for the SA-CASSCF/NEVPT2 calculations of ZFS parameters in compound **1**, a)  $[Co(biq)(dca)_4]^{2-}$ , b)  $[Co(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_4H_4]^{2+}$ , c)  $[Co(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_4H_2Ca]^{2+}$ , d)  $[Co(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_4Na_2Ca]^{2+}$ , the same type of fragments was used for compound **2**.



**Fig. S6** The energies of 6 lowest multiplets as obtained from SA-CASSCF/NEVPT2 calculations for: a)  $[Co(biq)(dca)_4]^{2-}$ , b)  $[Co(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_4H_4]^{2+}$ , c)  $[Co(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_4H_2Ca]^{2+}$ , d)  $[Co(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_4H_2Ca]^{2+}$ . Energies obtained using Griffith-Figgis (GF) Hamiltonian Eq. 3 with the set of the parameters obtained from the fit of  $\mu_{eff}(T)$  are included.







b)





d)



**Fig. S7** Structure of all fragments used for the BS DFT calculations of two different exchange paths in compound **1**, a)  $[Co(biq)(dca)_2-(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2-Co(biq)(dca)_2]^{2-}$ , b)  $[Co(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2H_2-(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2-Co(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2H_2]^{2+}$ , c)  $[Co(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2Na_2-(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2-Co(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2Na_2]^{2+}$ , d)  $[(dca)-Co(biq)(dca)_2-(\mu_{1,5}-dca)-Co(biq)(dca)_2-(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2H_2-(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_$ 

Compound	U <sub>eff</sub> /cm <sup>-1</sup>	$\tau_0/s$	magnetic	Ref.
	(applied		interactions	
	field/T)			
$[\operatorname{Co}(atz)_2(\operatorname{dca})_2]_n$	5.1 (0.1)	$1.7 \times 10^{-6}$	neglected	Palion-
easy-axis anisotropy				Gazda 2015
$[Co(dca)_2(NH_2pyz)_2]_n \cdot H_2O$ easy-plane anisotropy	24.5 - 28.2	$1.19 - 2.5 \times 10^{-7}$	neglected	Palion-
	(0.25)	$3.0 - 5.7 \times 10^{-5}$		Gazda 2019
	1.62 - 2.37			
$\left[C_{0,2}(d_{0,0}),(HO_{0,0,0}),(H_{0,0}),(H$	11.6 - 20.1	$1.73 - 14.1 \times 10^{-7}$	$zJ = -0.3 \text{ cm}^{-1}$	Palion-
easy-plane anisotropy	(0.2)	$1.96 - 4.3 \times 10^{-5}$		Gazda 2019
	0.33 - 1.26			
$[Co(bim)_2(dca)_2]_n$	5.33 (0.1)	$1.54 \times 10^{-6}$	neglected	Switliczka
easy-axis anisotropy				2016
$[Co(bmim)_2(dca)_2]_n$	13.81 (0.1)	$0.63 \times 10^{-6}$	$\Theta = -0.07 \text{ cm}^{-1}$	Switliczka
easy-axis anisotropy				2016
$[Co(pypz)(dca)(H_2O)]_n \cdot (dca)$	103 (0.4)	1.2×10 <sup>-11</sup>	$zJ = -0.006 \text{ cm}^{-1}$	Switlicka
easy-axis anisotropy				2020

**Table S1** Comparison of magnetic parameters of other dca bridged polymeric complexes showing slow magnetic relaxation.

atz = 2-amino-1,3,5- triazine; pyz = pyrazine; bim = 1-benzylimidazole; bmim = 1-benzyl-2methylimidazole; pypz = 2,6-bis(pyrazol-1-yl)pyridine

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**Table S2** The energies (in cm<sup>-1</sup>) of 6 lowest multiplets as obtained from SA-CASSCF/NEVPT2 calculations for: a)  $[Co(biq)(dca)_4]^{2-}$ , b)  $[Co(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_4H_4]^{2+}$ , c)  $[Co(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_4H_2Ca]^{2+}$ , d)  $[Co(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_4Na_2Ca]^{2+}$ . Energies obtained using GF Hamiltonian Eq. 3 with the set of the parameters obtained from the fit of the  $\mu_{eff}(T)$  are included.

multiplet	а	b	с	d	GF model
1	0	0	0	0	0
2	137.5	155.8	166.7	139.4	193.8
3	906.9	765.2	716.1	887.2	717.8
4	1166.9	1093.4	1055.8	1140.0	1028.8
5	1460.2	1252.4	1214.1	1482.8	1497.1
6	1558.9	1401.0	1361.9	1574.4	1590.1

**Table S3** Comparison of the exchange coupling  $J_{BS1}$  and  $J_{BS2}$  in 1 obtained from BS DFT calculations for different binuclear model fragments of the polymeric structure.

	B3LYP	TPSSh	PBE0
	$J_{BS1}$ (cm <sup>-1</sup> )		
$[Co(biq)(dca)_2-(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2-Co(biq)(dca)_2]^{2-}$	-0.44	-0.59	-0.46
$[Co(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2H_2-(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2-Co(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2H_2]^{2+}$	-0.36	-1.03	-0.41
$[Co(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2Na_2-(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2-Co(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2Na_2]^{2+}$	-0.60	-1.12	-0.91
		$J_{BS2}(\mathrm{cm}^{-1})$	
$[(dca)-Co(biq)(dca)_2-(\mu_{1,5}-dca)-Co(biq)(dca)_2-(dca)]^{3-2}$	-0.34	-0.49	-0.45
$[H(\mu_{1,5}-dca)-Co(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2H_2-(\mu_{1,5}-dca)-Co(biq)-Co(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)-Co(biq$	-0.56	-0.84	-0.40
$dca)_2H_2-(\mu_{1,5}-dca)H]^{3+}$			
$[Na(\mu_{1,5}-dca)-Co(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2 Ca-(\mu_{1,5}-dca)-Co(biq)-Co(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)-Co(bi$	-0.46	-0.71	-0.40
$dca)_2 Ca-(\mu_{1,5}-dca)Na]^{3+}$			

Table S4 Comparison of the exchange coupling  $J_{BS1}$  and  $J_{BS2}$  in 2 obtained from BS DFT

calculations for different binuclear model fragments of the polymeric structure.

	B3LYP	TPSSh	PBE0
	$J_{BSI}$ (cm <sup>-1</sup> )		
$[Ni(biq)(dca)_2 - (\mu_{1,5} - dca)_2 - Ni(biq)(dca)_2]^{2}$	-0.70	-1.00	0.06
$[Ni(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2H_2-(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2-Ni(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2H_2]^{2+}$	-0.48	-0.41	0.31
$[Ni(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2Na_2-(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2-Ni(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2Na_2]^{2+}$	0.15	-0.46	0.33
		$J_{BS2}$ (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	
$[(dca)-Ni(biq)(dca)_2-(\mu_{1,5}-dca)-Ni(biq)(dca)_2-(dca)]^{3-1}$	0.36	0.53	1.05
$[H(\mu_{1,5}-dca)-Ni(biq)(\mu_{1,5}-dca)_2H_2-(\mu_{1,5}-dca)-Ni(biq)(\mu_{1,5$	0.45	0.65	1.11
$dca)_2H_2-(\mu_{1,5}-dca)H]^{3+}$			
[Na(µ1,5-dca)-Ni(biq)(µ1,5-dca)2Ca-(µ1,5-dca)-Ni(biq)(µ1,5-	0.38	0.57	1.22
$dca)_2Ca-(\mu_{1,5}-dca)Na]^{3+}$			