

Supplementary Information

**Structure, phase transition and properties of the one-dimensional antiferromagnet Cu(2,6-dimethylpyrazine)Br<sub>2</sub>**

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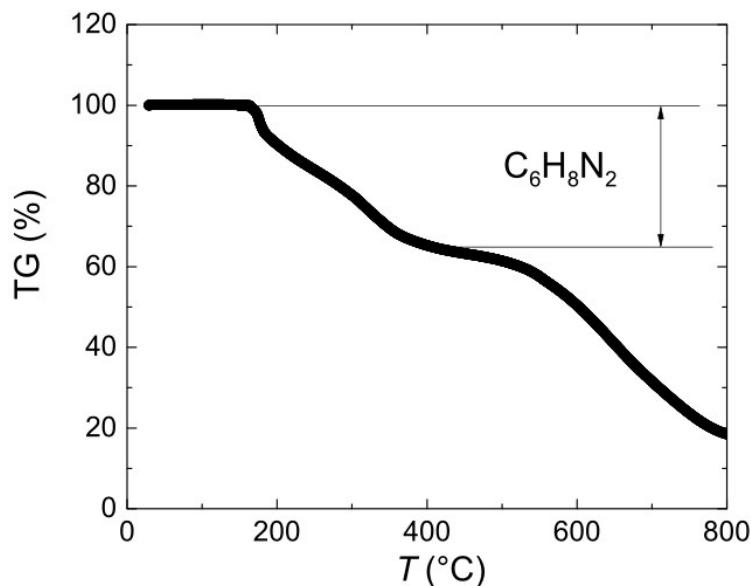
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**1. Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) data**

To verify the constitution and purity of **1**, we have performed thermogravimetric Analysis (TGA) was performed by NETZSCH STA 409 PC/PG instrument in N<sub>2</sub> flow, the hating rate is 10 °C/min. The result is shown in Fig. S1. The first step corresponds to the decomposition of 2,6-dimethylpyrazine organic ligand (calculated: 32.62%, found: 34.51%)

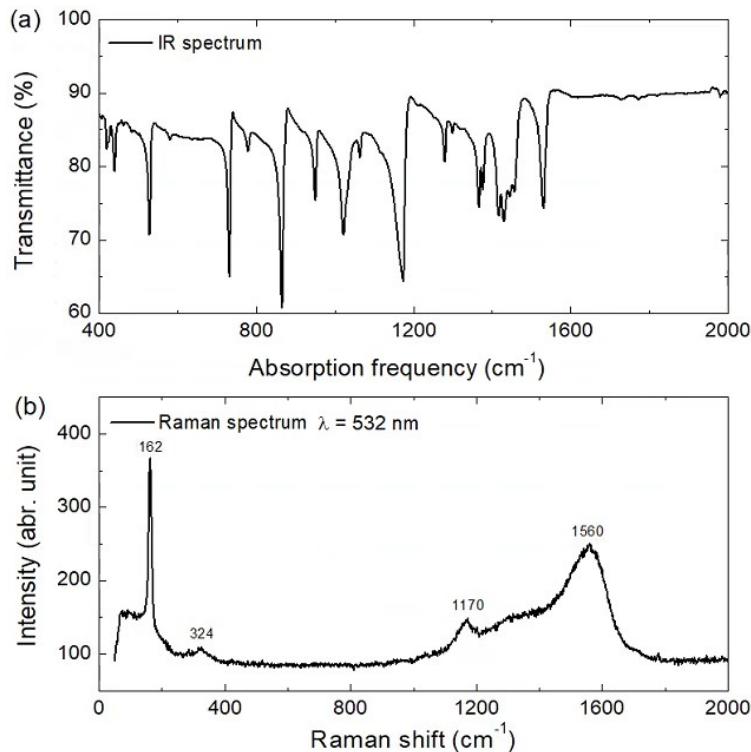


**Figure S1.** TGA data of **1**. The first step corresponds to the decomposition of 2,6-dimethylpyrazine organic ligand.

**2. IR and Raman measurements**

We performed both infrared (IR) and Raman spectroscopy measurements and the results are presented in Fig. S2. IR spectroscopy was performed using a Magna 550 FT-IR spectrometer (Nicolet Instruments, France) in the range from 400 to 2000 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

Raman spectroscopy was measured by HORIBA LabRAM HR Evolution. The positions of characteristic peaks are listed in Table S1. The spectra are dominate by the vibrational mode of 2,6-dimethylpyrazine molecules. By comparison with the results of density functional theory (DFT) calculations for 2,6-dimethylpyrazine molecules, we assigned the observed peaks to the corresponding vibrations (Table S1).



**Figure S2.** (a) IR and (b) Raman spectroscopy of **1**. The incident photon wavelength for Raman measurement is 532 nm. Four characteristic Raman shift peaks appear at 162, 324, 1170, and 1560  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

**Table S1** Observed and calculated frequencies ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ).

IR	Raman	Assignments*
	162	Ring torsion
	324	Ring torsion
419		$\text{C-CH}_3$ bending
439		Ring torsion
528		$\text{C-CH}_3$ wagging
731		$\text{C-CH}_3$ wagging
865		C-H wagging
950		C-H wagging
1021		$\text{CH}_3$ rocking
1173	1170	C-H bending
1280		Ring stretching
1366		$\text{CH}_3$ bending symmetric
1430		$\text{CH}_3$ bending asymmetric
1530		Ring stretching

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\* From the DFT calculations by A. Pawlukojć et al. Journal of Molecular Structure, 2008, **892**, 261–267