

Electronic Supplementary Information (ESI)

Metal-ion-dependent polarity switching and dielectric enhancement in solvent-vapour-responsive mononuclear complexes

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Table S1. Crystallographic data for 1–4.

Compound	1	2	3	4
Temperature / K	173	90	90	90
Formula	C ₁₈ H ₁₉ N ₂ FeO ₅	C ₁₈ H ₁₉ N ₂ MnO ₅	C ₁₉ H ₂₁ N ₂ FeO ₅ S	C ₁₉ H ₂₁ N ₂ MnO ₅ S
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Triclinic
Space group	<i>P2₁/c</i> (#14)	<i>P2₁/c</i> (#14)	<i>Cc</i> (#9)	<i>P</i> -1 (#2)
<i>a</i> / Å	12.4010(10)	12.5148(5)	15.3544(5)	8.8350(3)
<i>b</i> / Å	16.4977(13)	16.7477(7)	17.1176(5)	10.5064(3)
<i>c</i> / Å	8.6621(7)	8.7014(3)	7.9303(2)	10.7201(4)
<i>α</i> / °	90	90	90	90.9370(10)
<i>β</i> / °	101.098(3)	102.542(2)	106.9600(10)	102.4160(10)
<i>γ</i> / °	90	90	90	91.6090(10)
<i>V</i> / Å ³	1739.0(2)	1780.24(12)	1993.67(10)	971.17(6)
<i>Z</i>	4	4	4	2
<i>D</i> _{calc} / g cm ⁻³	1.525	1.486	1.484	1.520
<i>μ</i> / mm ⁻¹	0.899	0.773	0.894	0.821
<i>F</i> (000)	828	824	924	460
<i>R</i> ₁ , <i>wR</i> ₂ (<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>))	0.0433, 0.1138	0.0363, 0.0902	0.0289, 0.0723	0.0321, 0.0752
<i>R</i> ₁ , <i>wR</i> ₂ (for all data)	0.0493, 0.1190	0.0413, 0.940	0.0293, 0.0726	0.0337, 0.0761
GOF	1.058	1.065	1.026	1.073
Reflections/Parameters	3000/241	3137/385	3283/402	3198/402
Flack	-	-	0.068(11)	-
CCDC	2512678	2512679	2512680	2512681

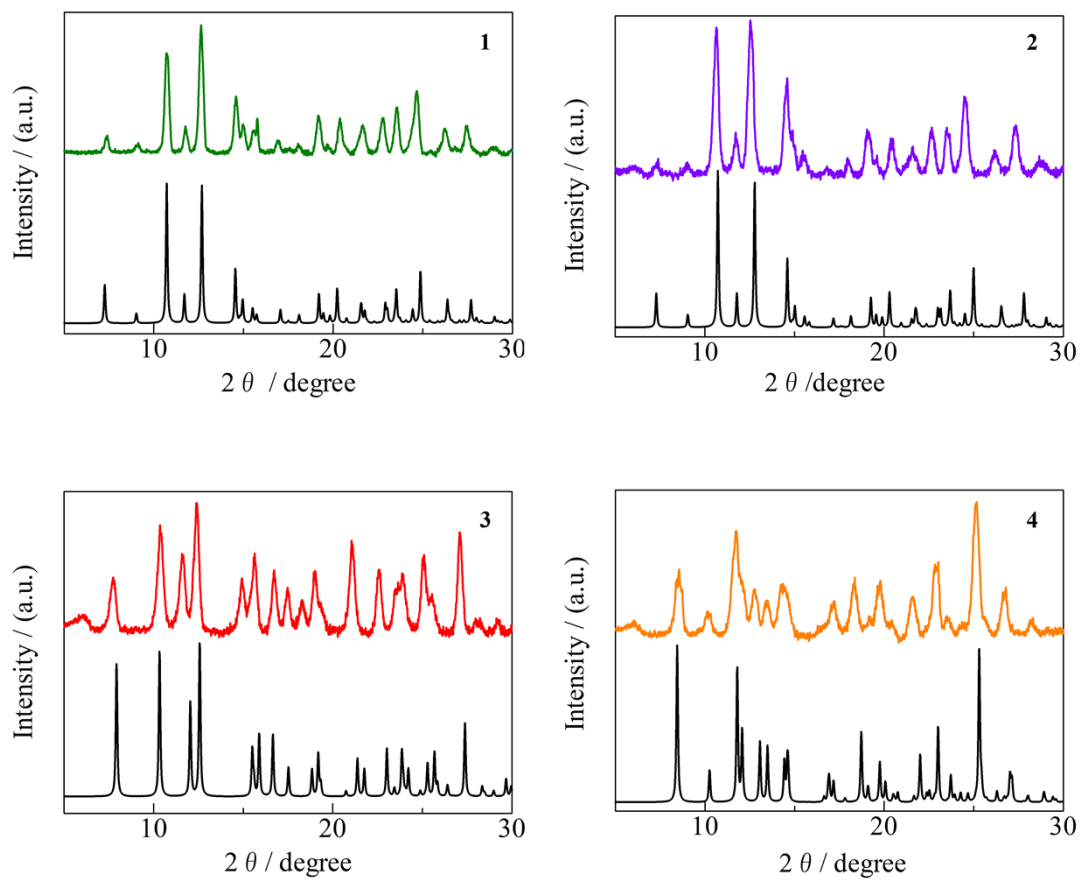


Figure S1. PXRD patterns for the crystalline sample of 1–4 at 298 K and their simulations (black).

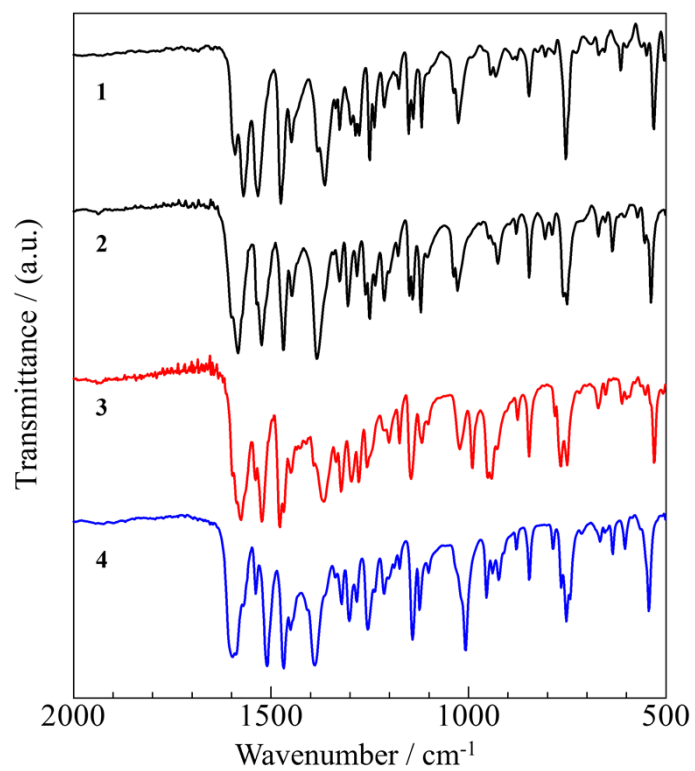


Figure S2. FT-IR spectra for **1–4**. Peaks observed at 1020 cm⁻¹ for **3** and **4** are attributed to the S=O vibrations of DMSO.

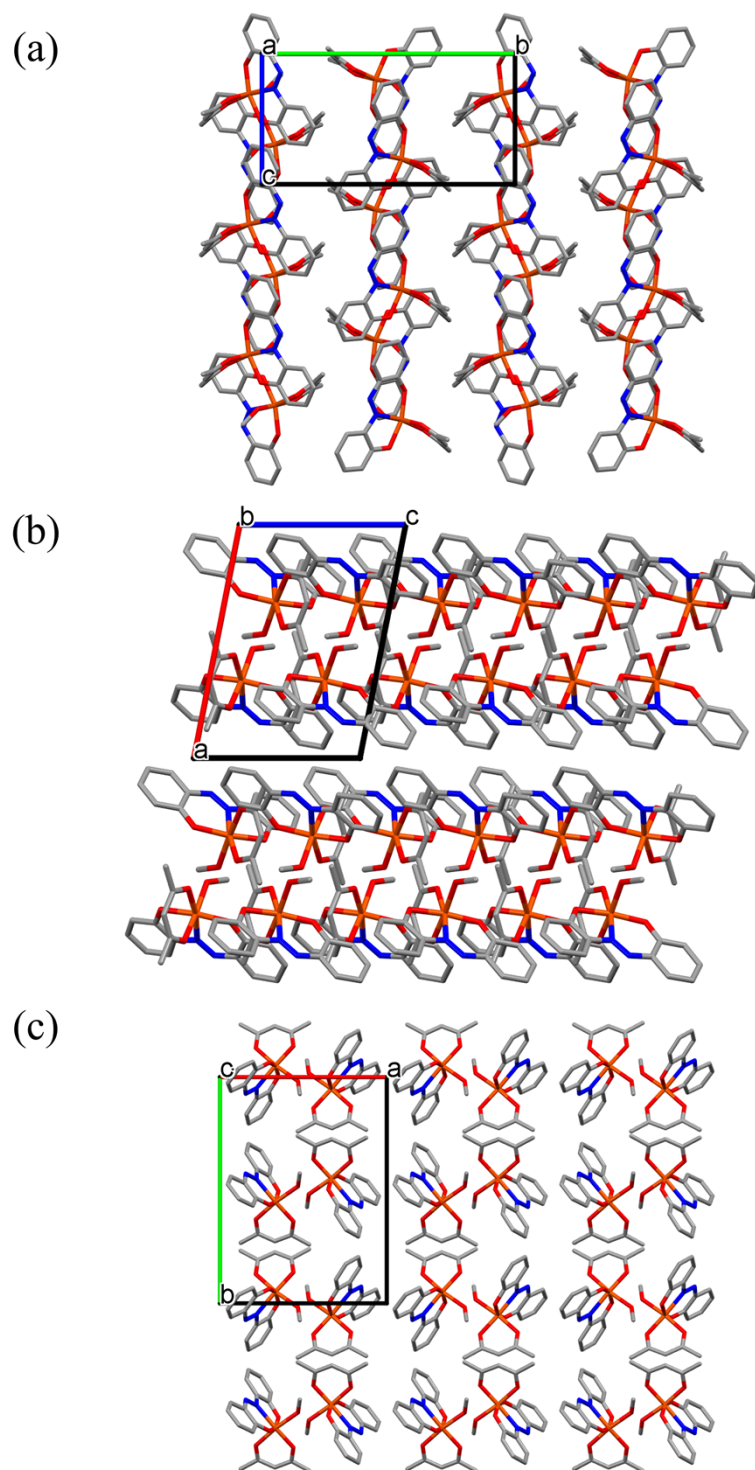
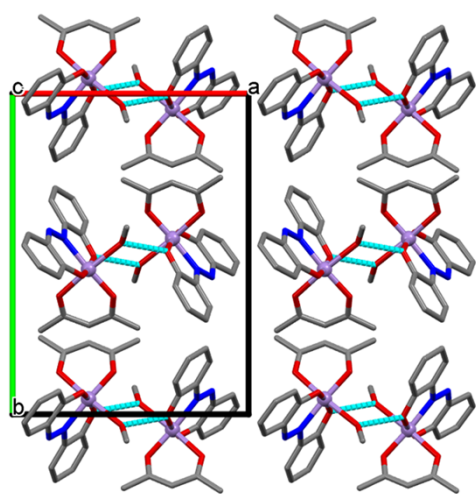


Figure S3. Crystal packing structures for **1** at 173 K along (a) *a*, (b) *b*, (c) *c* axes. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

Packing structure



Non Polar ($P2_1/c$)

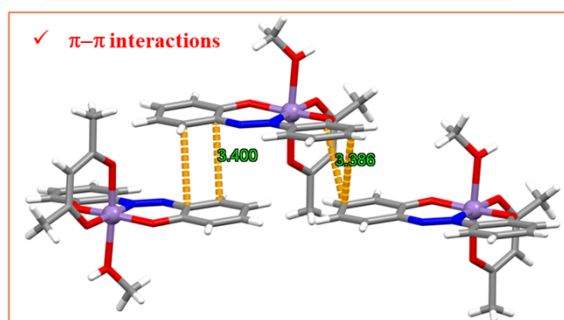
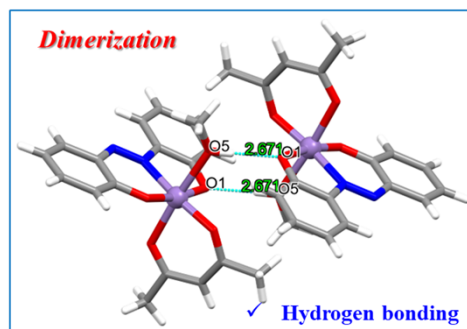


Figure S4. Crystal packing structure and intermolecular interactions of **2** at 90 K.

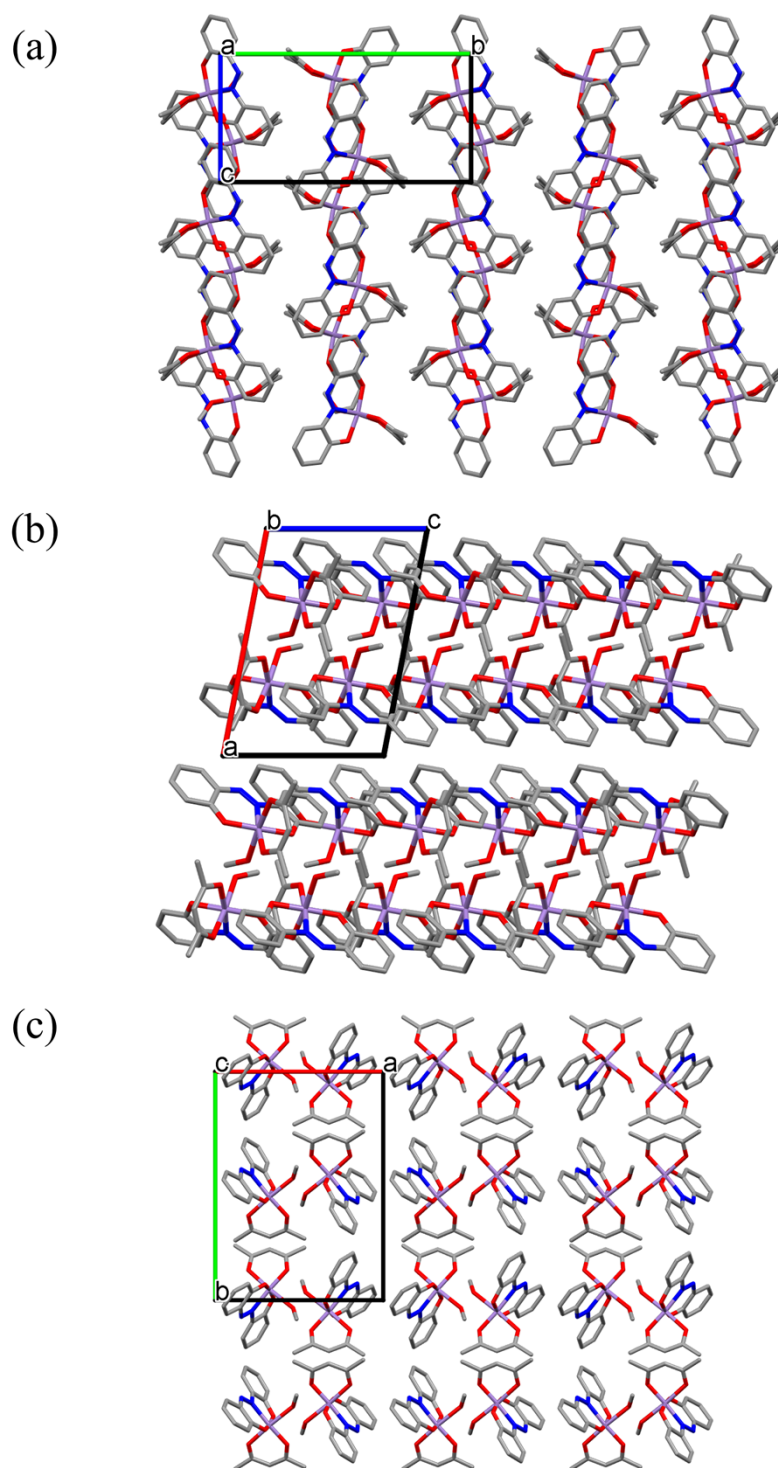


Figure S5. Crystal packing structures for **2** at 90 K along (a) *a*, (b) *b*, (c) *c* axes. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

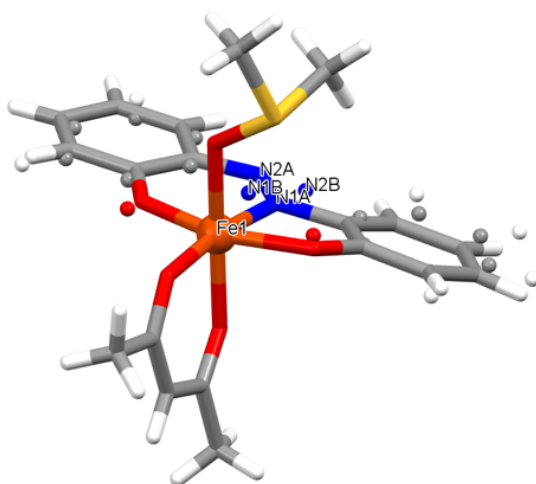


Figure S6. Crystal structure for **3** at 90 K with the atom-numbering scheme.

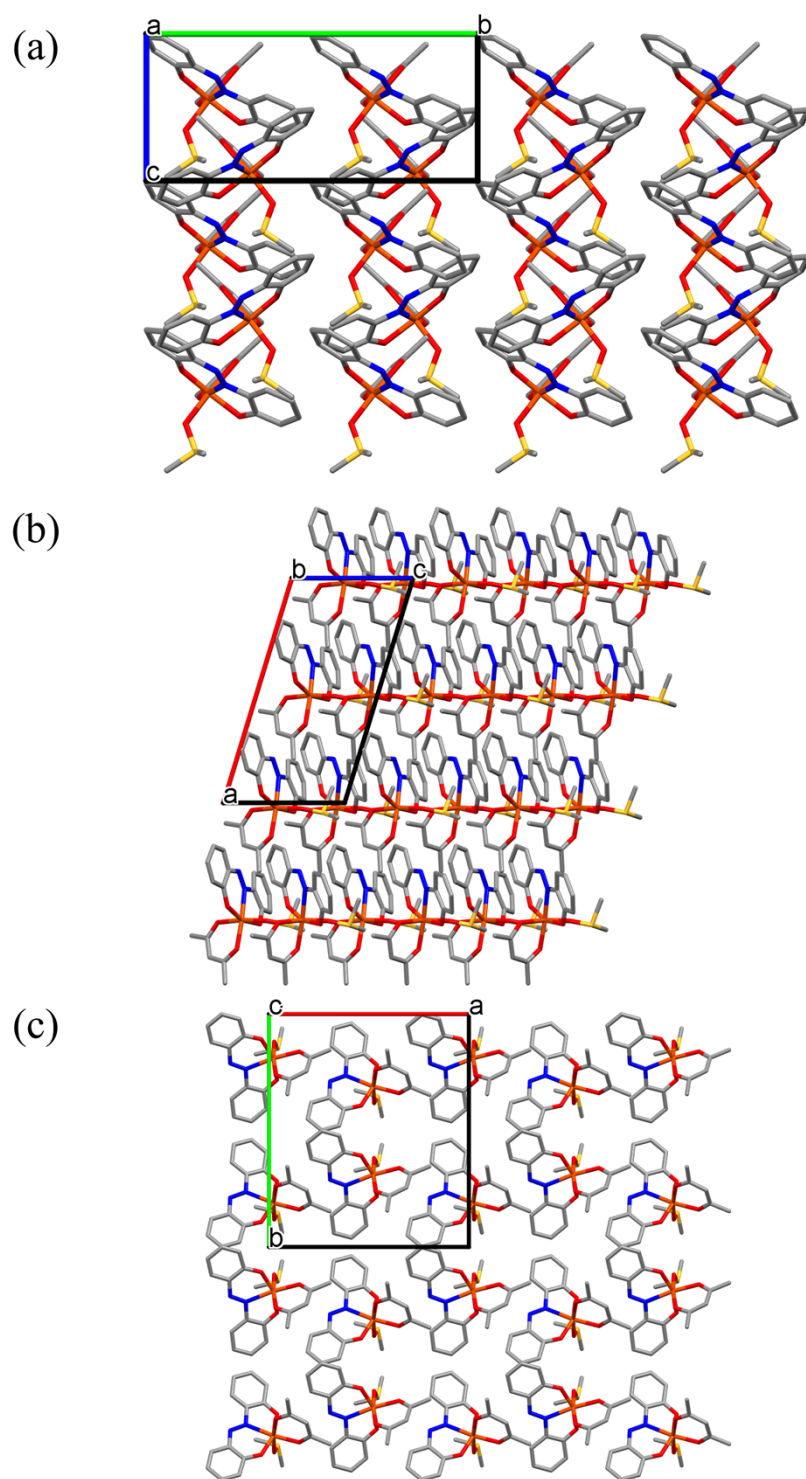


Figure S7. Crystal packing structures for **3** at 90 K along (a) *a*, (b) *b*, (c) *c* axes. Hydrogen atoms and disordered atoms are omitted for clarity.

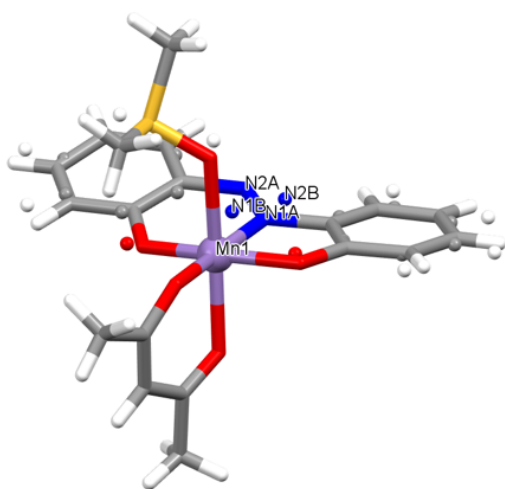


Figure S8. Crystal structure for **4** at 90 K with the atom-numbering scheme.

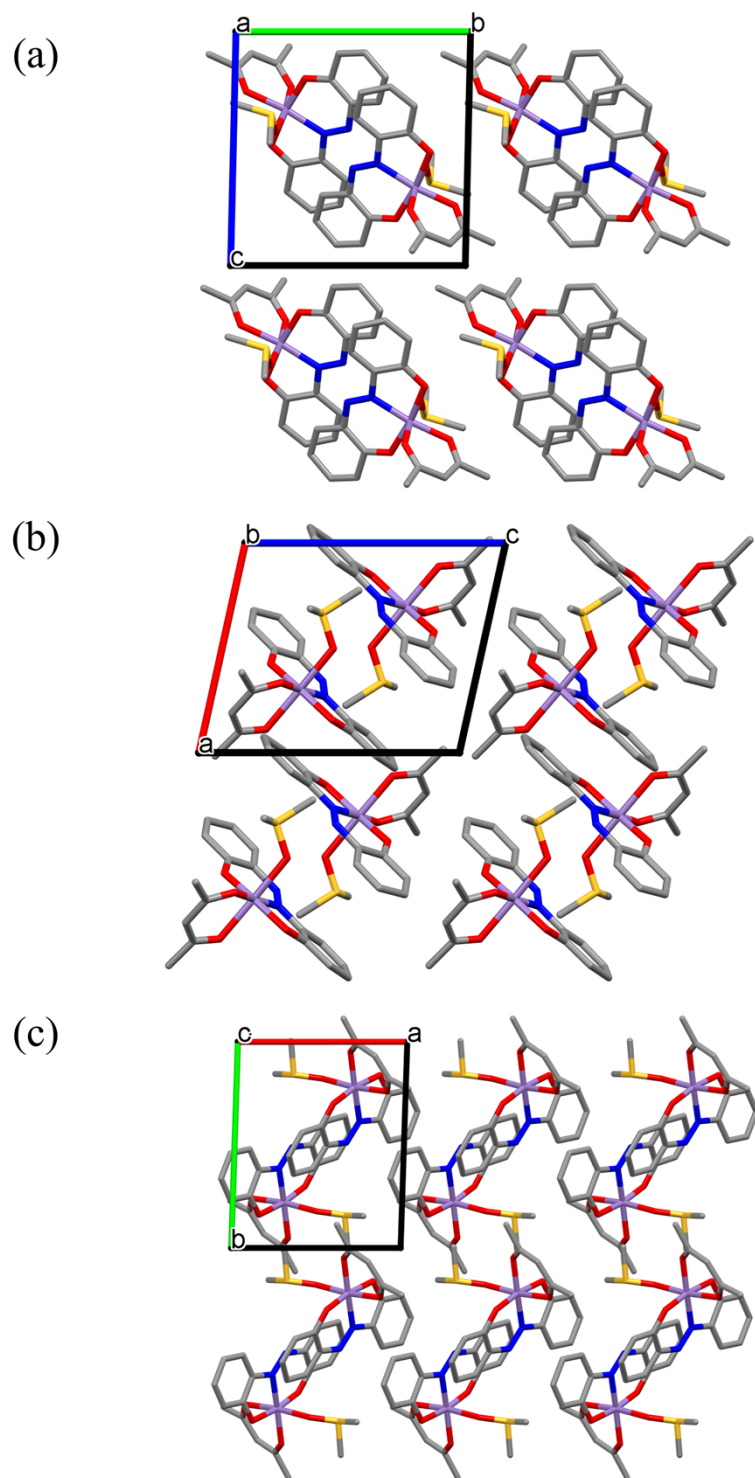


Figure S9. Crystal packing structures for **4** at 90 K along (a) *a*, (b) *b*, (c) *c* axes. Hydrogen atoms and disordered atoms are omitted for clarity.

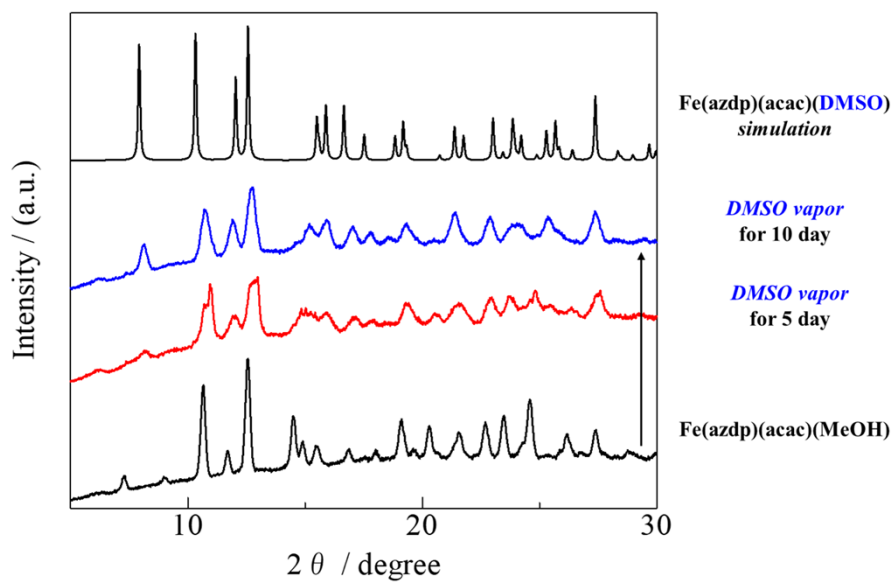


Figure S10. PXRD patterns for **1** and DMSO-vapor exposed samples (**1'**).

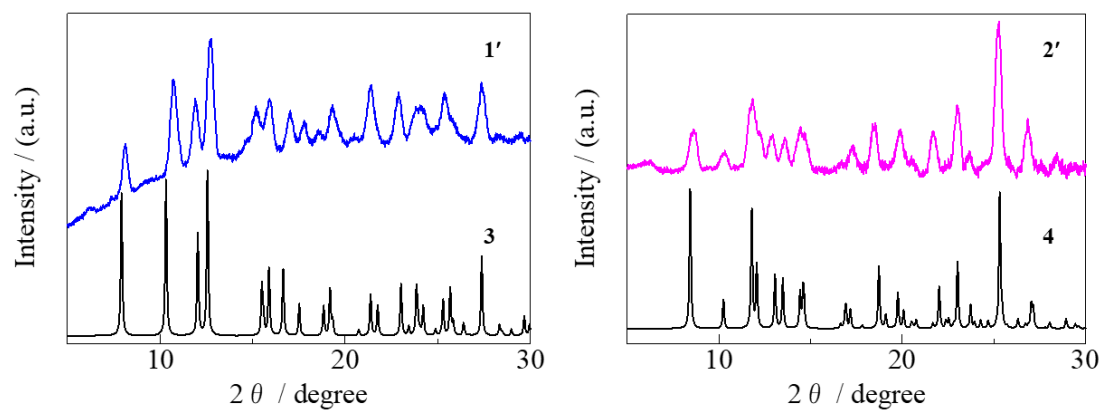


Figure S11. PXRD patterns for the crystalline samples of **1'** (blue) and **2'** (pink) at 298 K and the simulations for **3** and **4** (black).

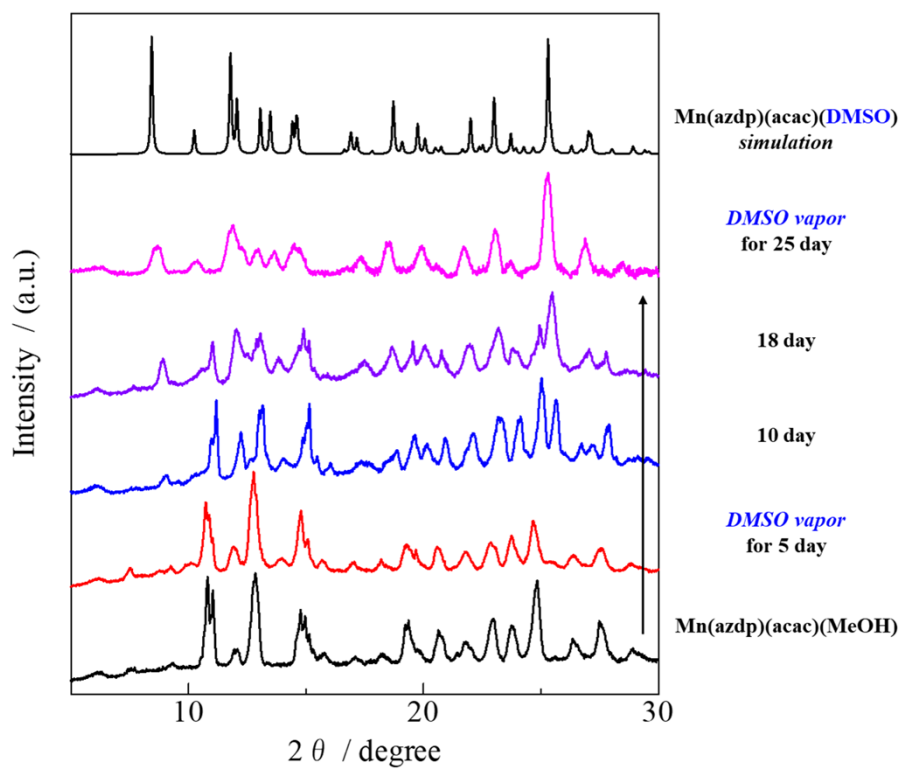


Figure S12. PXRD patterns for **2** and DMSO-vapor exposed samples (**2'**).

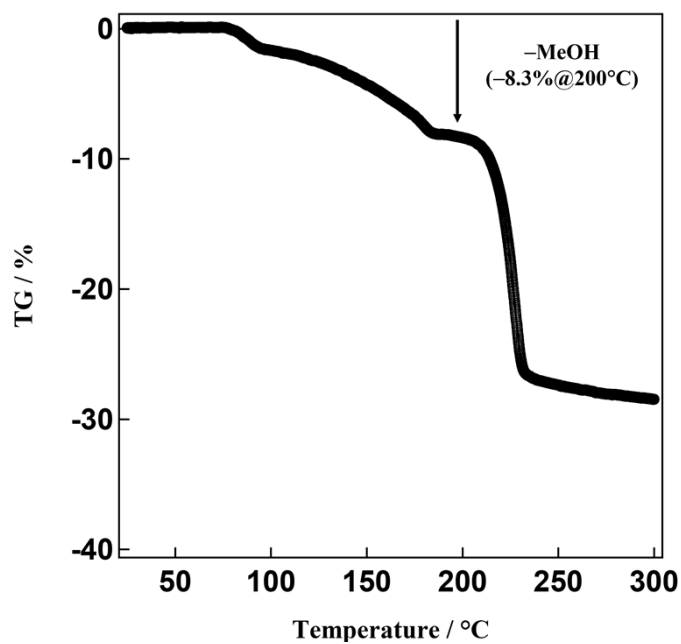
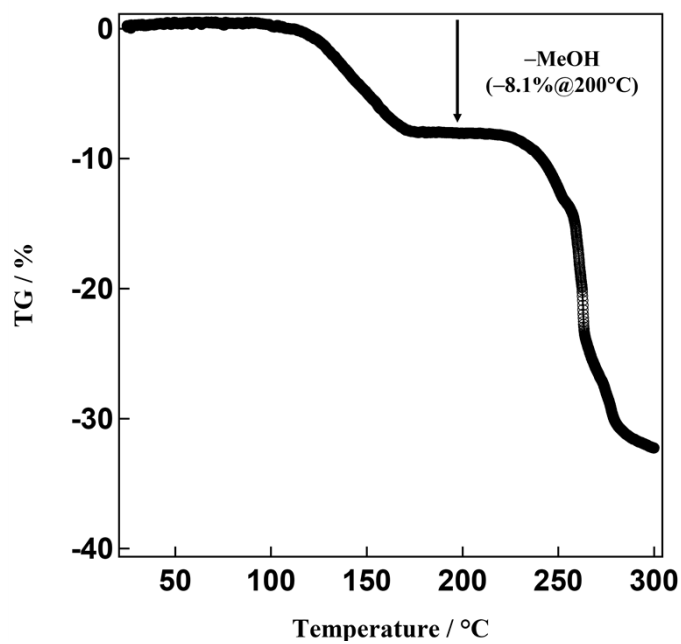


Figure S13. TGA curve for (top) **1** and (bottom) **2**. 8.1% and 8.3% weight losses were observed for **1** and **2** above 200 °C, respectively. This shows good agreement with the MeOH contents of **1** and **2** (MeOH = 8.0%). The weight loss over 250 °C corresponds to the decomposition of complexes.

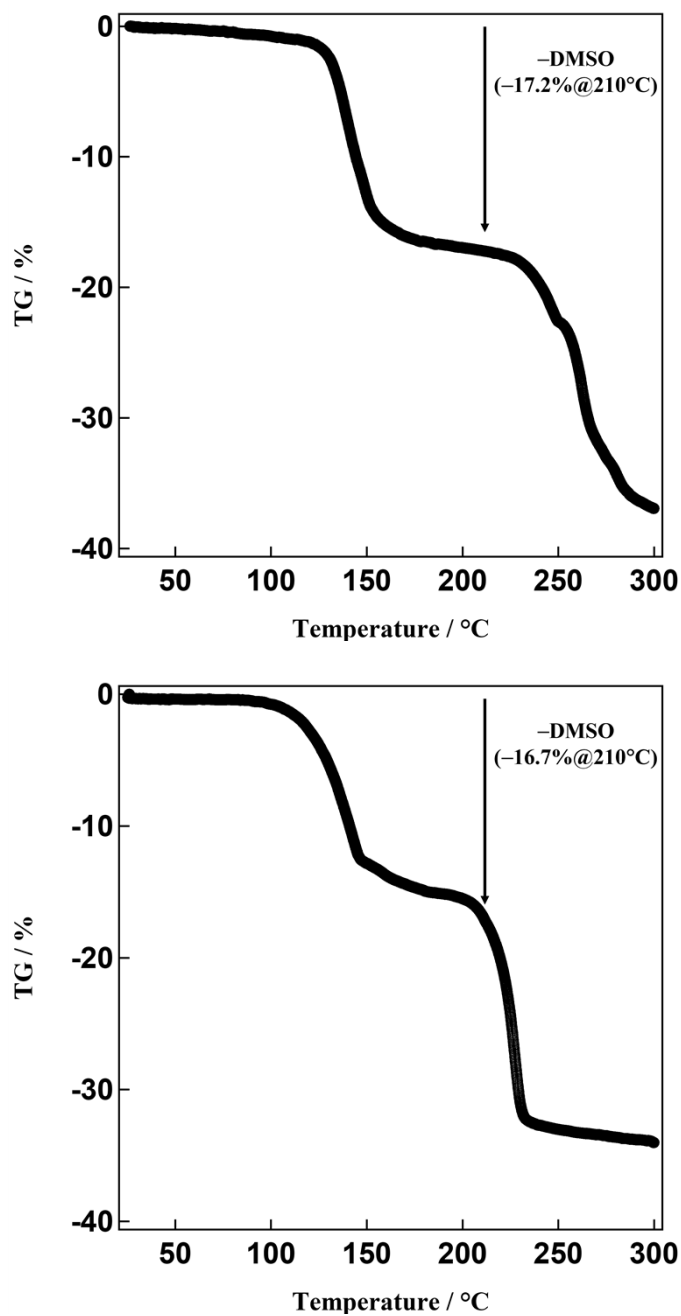


Figure S14. TGA curve for (top) **1'** and (bottom) **2'**. 17.2% and 16.7% weight loss were observed for **1'** and **2'** above 210 °C, respectively. This shows good agreement with the DMSO content of **1'** and **2'** (DMSO = 17.5%), respectively. The weight loss over 250 °C corresponds to the decomposition of complexes.