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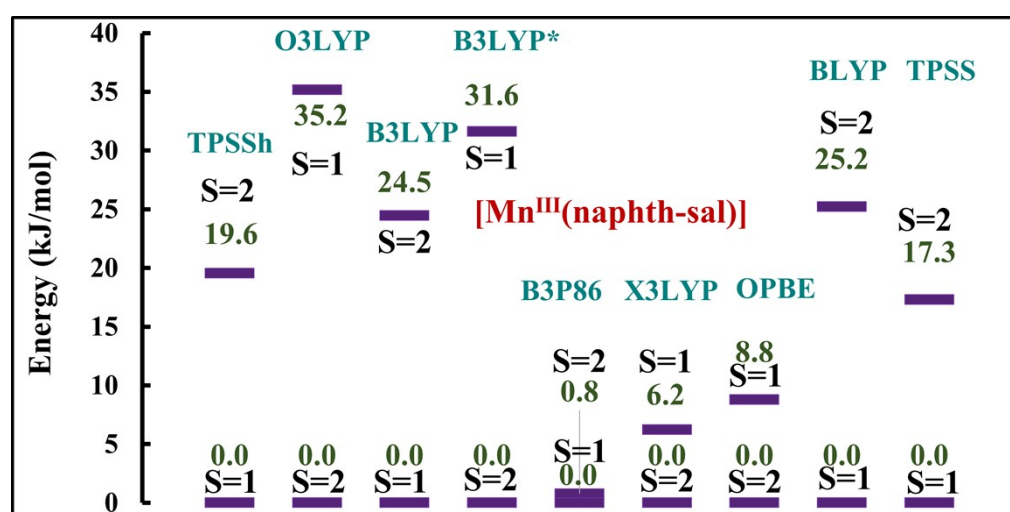
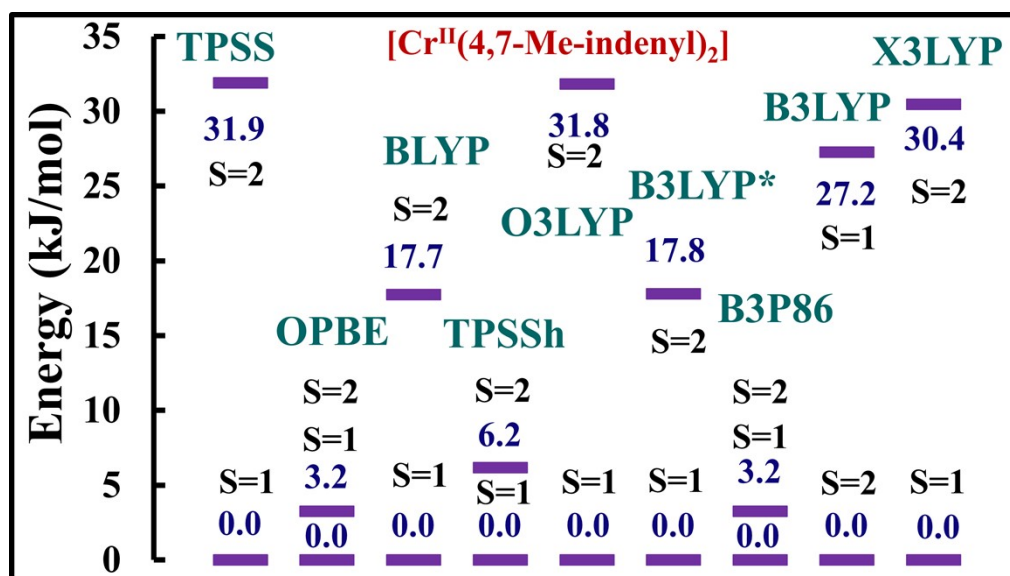
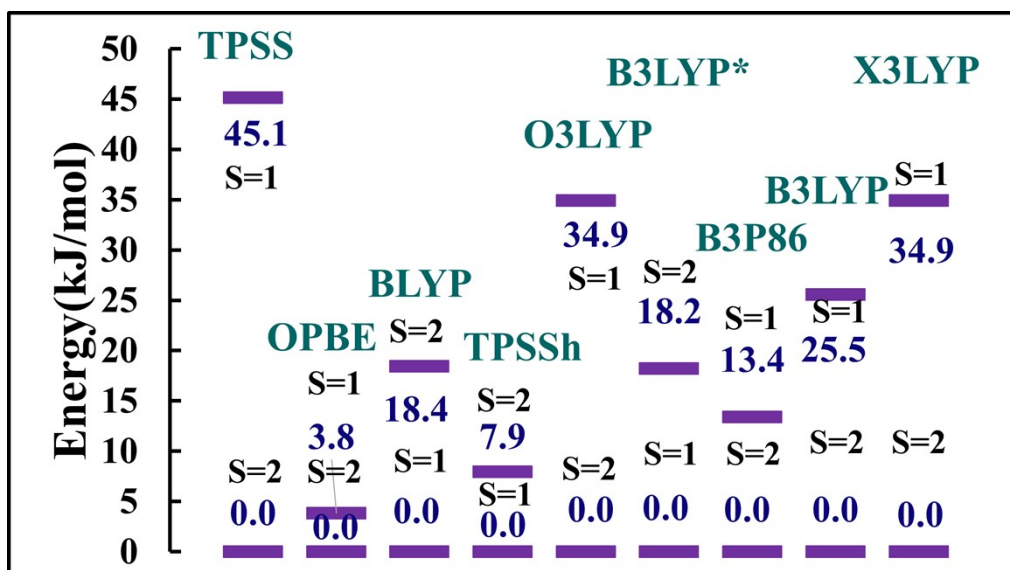
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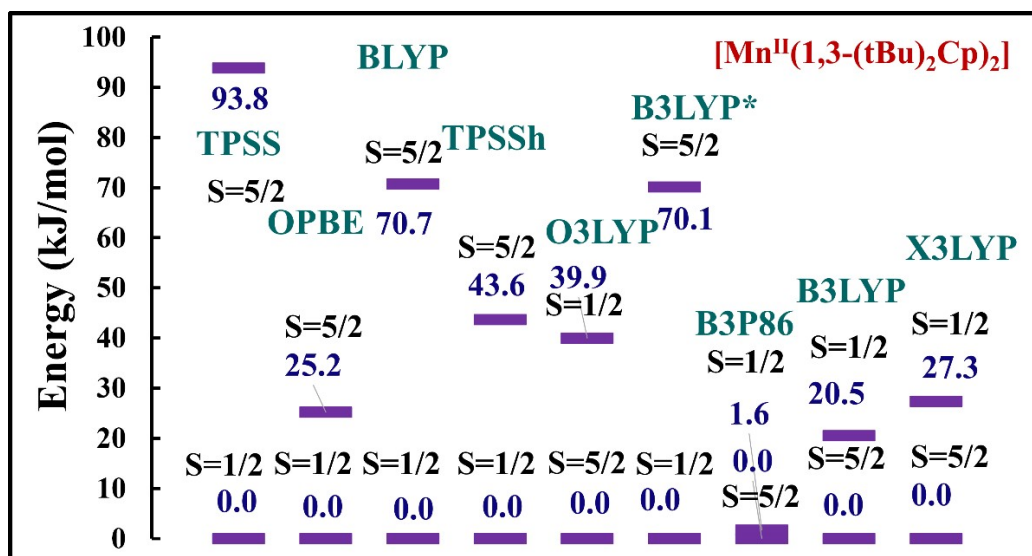
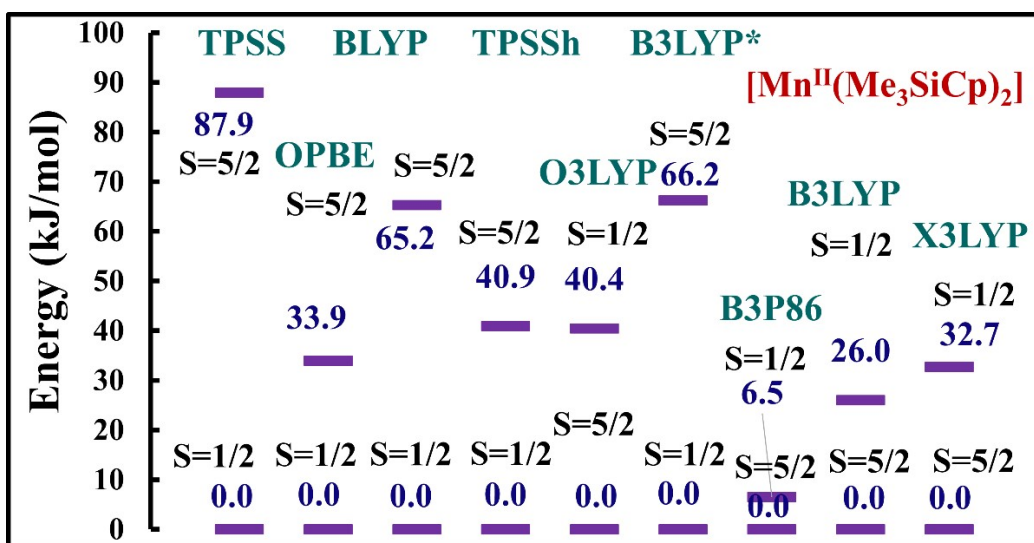
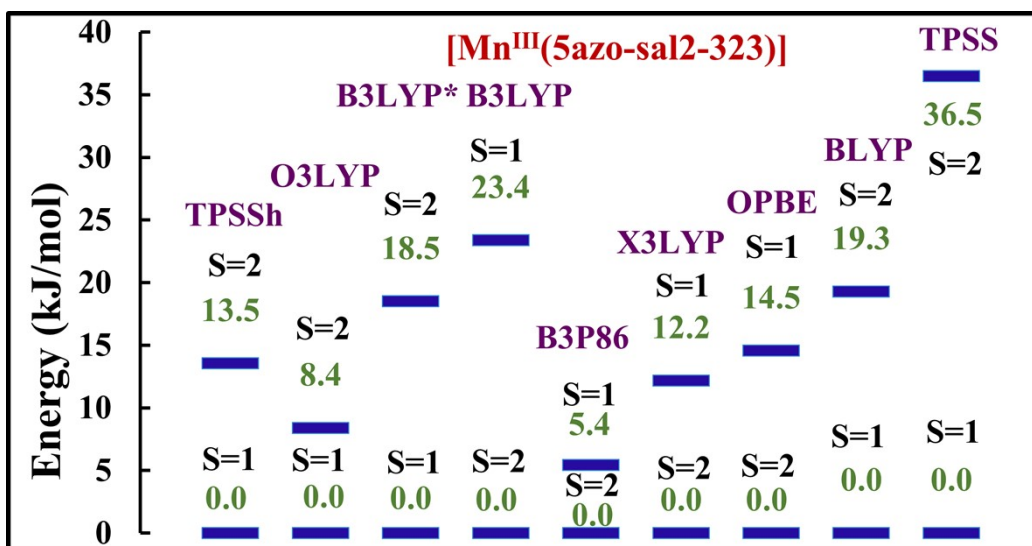
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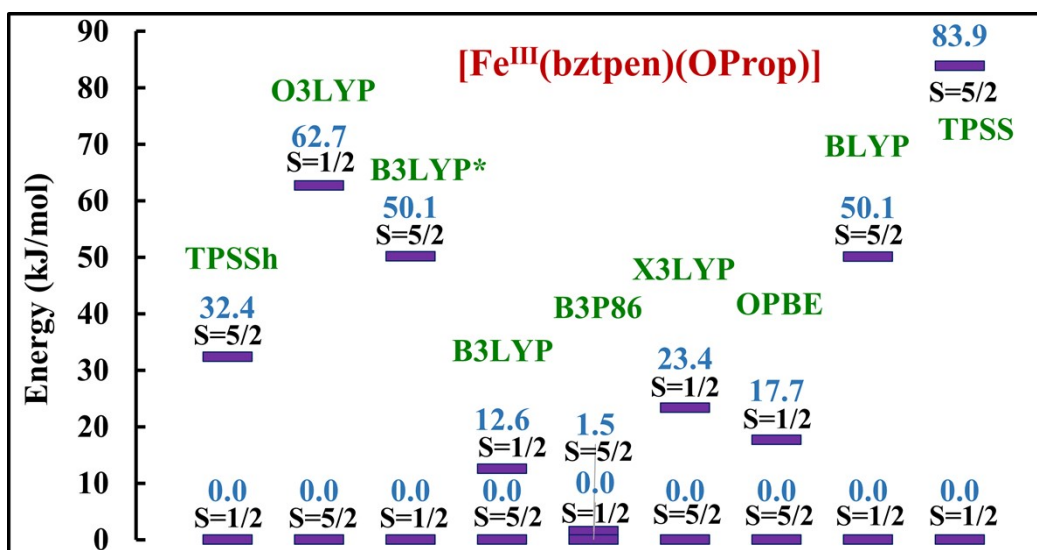
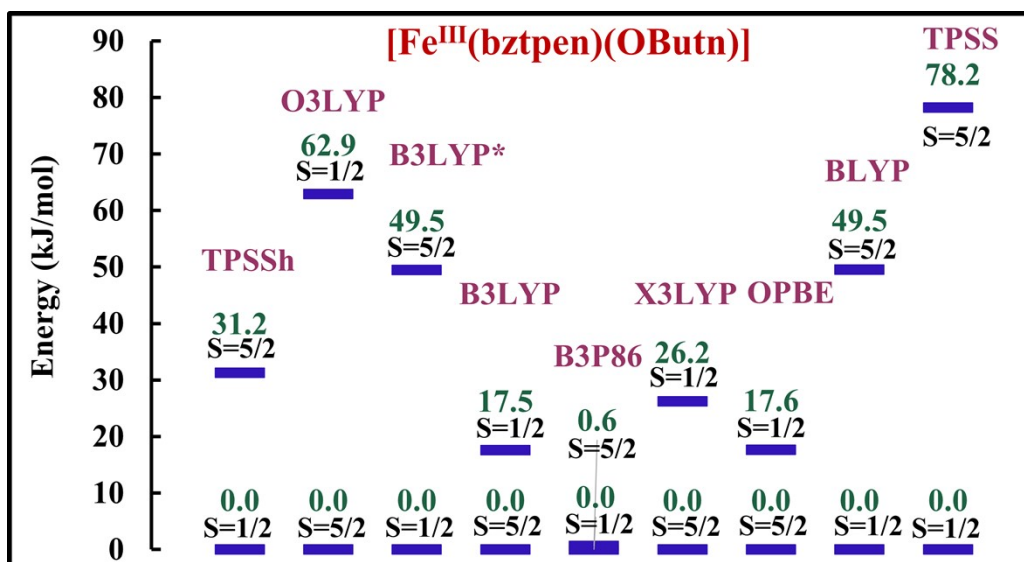
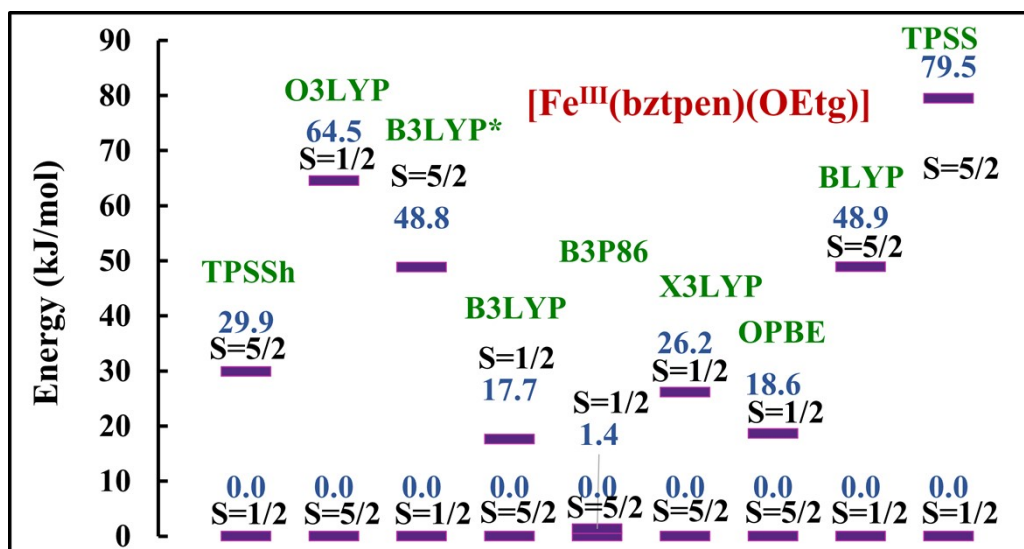
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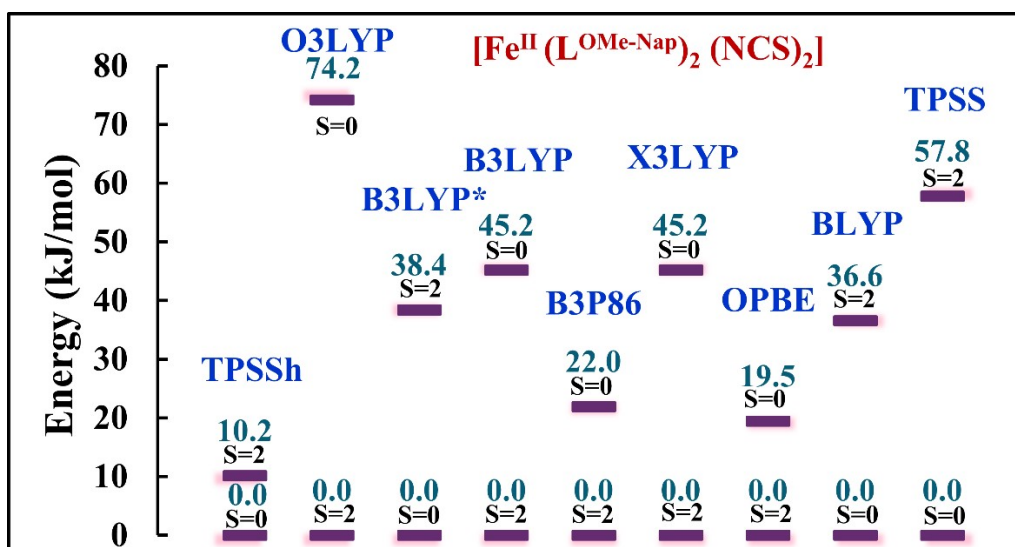
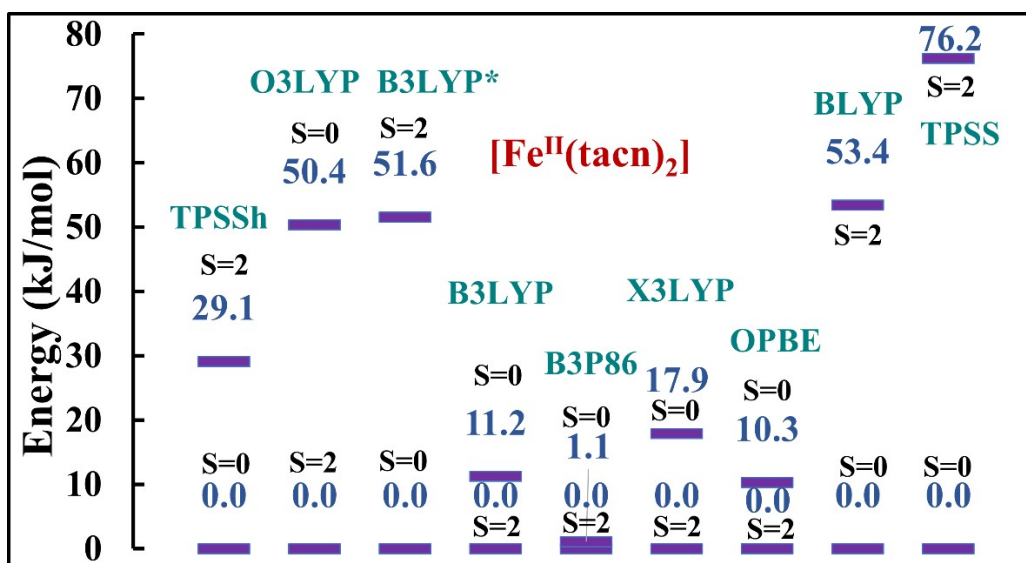
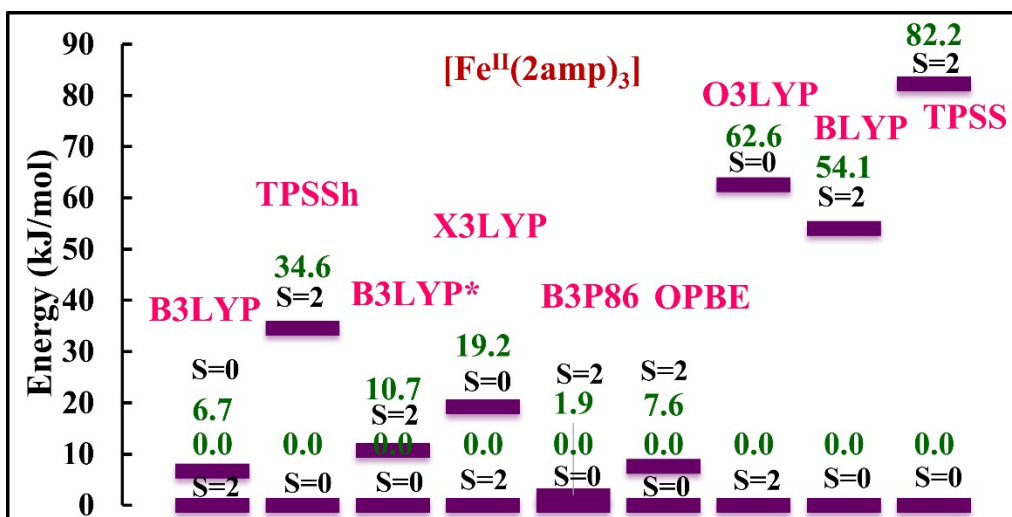
Table S1. Electronic Energy Differences (HS – LS) in kJ/mol for the 26 Systems Studied in this work. (The values in bold and with positive signs are the ones with the correct ground state.)

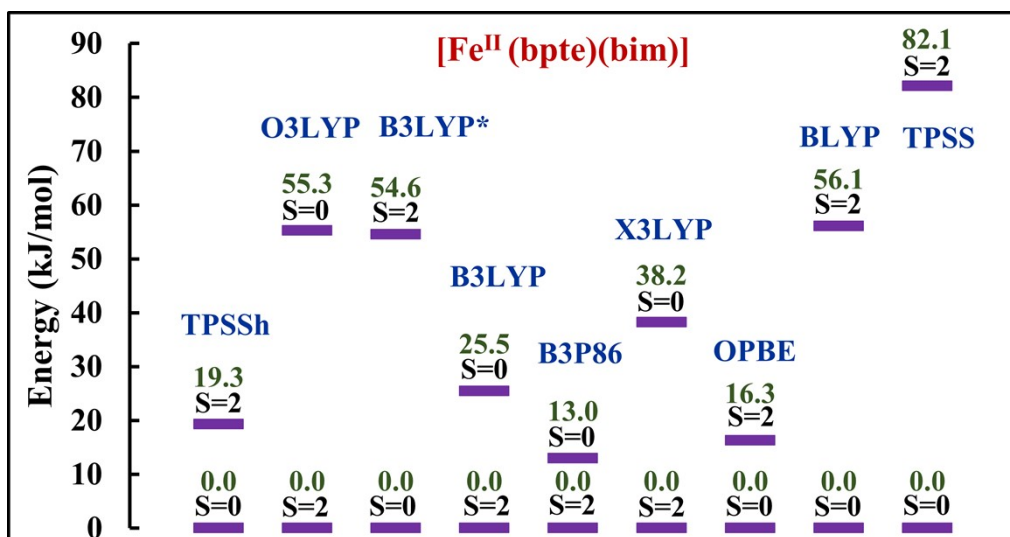
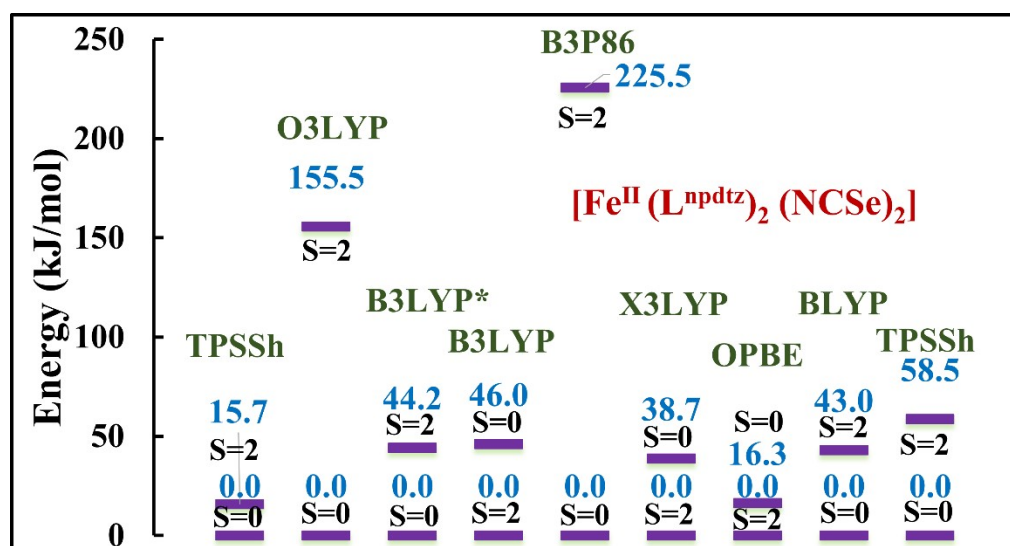
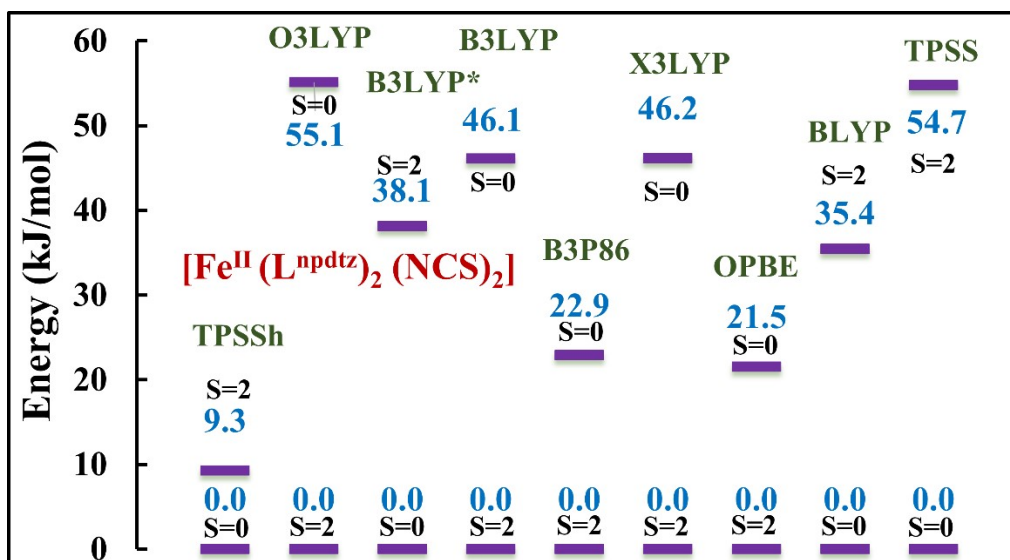
C. No	Molecular formula	OPBE	TPSS	TPSSh	BLYP	B3LYP*	B3LYP	B3P86	O3LYP	X3LYP
1	[Cr(1,3-Si-indenyl) ₂]	-3.8	45.2	7.9	18.4	18.2	-25.5	-13.4	-3.8	-34.9
2	[Cr(4,7-Me-indenyl) ₂]	3.23	31.9	6.2	17.7	17.8	-27.2	3.2	-31.8	-30.4
3	[Mn(naphth-sal-1,5,8,12)]	-8.8	17.3	19.6	25.2	31.6	-24.5	0.8	-35.2	-6.2
4	[Mn(5azo-sal2-323)](Cl)	-14.5	36.5	13.5	19.3	18.5	-23.4	-5.4	8.4	-12.2
5	[Mn(Me ₃ SiCp) ₂]	33.9	87.9	40.9	65.2	66.2	-26	-6.5	-40.4	-32.6
6	[Mn(1,3-(tBu) ₂ Cp) ₂]	25.2	93.8	43.6	70.7	70.1	-20.5	-1.6	-39.9	-27.3
7	[Fe(bztpen)(OEtg)](PF ₆) ₂	-18.6	79.5	29.9	48.9	48.8	-17.7	-1.4	-64.5	-26.2
8	[Fe(bztpen)(OBun)](PF ₆) ₂	-17.6	78.2	0.5	49.5	49.5	-17.5	0.6	-62.9	-26.2
9	[Fe(bztpen)(OProp)](PF ₆) ₂	-17.7	83.9	32.4	50.1	50.1	-12.6	1.5	-62.7	-23.4
10	[Fe(2amp) ₃]Cl ₂	7.6	82.2	34.6	54.1	10.7	-6.7	1.9	-62.6	19.2
11	[Fe(tacn) ₂](OTf) ₂	-10.3	76.2	29.1	53.4	51.6	-11.2	-1.1	-50.4	-17.9
12	[Fe(L ^{OMe-Nap}) ₂](NCS) ₂	-19.5	57.8	10.2	36.6	38.4	-45.2	-22	-74.2	-45.2
13	[Fe(L ^{npdtz}) ₂](NCS) ₂	-21.5	54.7	9.3	35.4	38.1	38.1	-22.9	-55.1	-46.2
14	[Fe(L ^{npdtz}) ₂](NCSe) ₂	-16.3	58.5	15.7	43	44.2	-46.0	225.5	155.5	-38.7
15	[Fe(bpte)(bim)]X ₂	16.3	82.1	19.3	56.1	54.6	-25.5	-13.0	-55.3	-38.2
16	[Fe(H-ptp ⁻) ₂] ⁰	57.8	120.2	51.4	92.9	92	-3.3	12.2	-22.6	-15.5
17	[Fe(CH ₂ OH-ptp ⁻) ₂] ⁰	55.7	109.2	49.6	91.2	89.8	-5.7	10.0	-25.0	-17.2
18	[Fe(COOCH ₃ -ptp ⁻) ₂] ⁰	55.7	125.2	49.6	97.7	89.8	-5.7	10.0	-25.0	-17.2
19	[Fe(L ^{OMe-Nap}) ₂](NCBH ₃) ₂	11.9	84.9	34.6	68.7	69.1	-23.4	0.02	-49.6	-24
20	[Fe(L ^{Nap}) ₂](NCBH ₃) ₂	11.0	83.1	34.3	68.1	78.4	-26.9	-0.2	-49.9	-24.3
21	[Fe(bpte)(NCBH ₃) ₂]	19.5	71.6	17.2	42.3	41.3	-35.8	-18.2	-57.5	-46.3
22	[Fe(H ₂ L ¹) ₂](BF ₄) ₂ ·x(sol.v.)	23.2	101.2	30.6	68.5	67.1	-15.2	-6.3	-47.8	-31.6
23	[Co(L) ₂](ClO ₄) ₂	31.3	54.4	15.9	43.9	43.5	7.2	6.7	15.9	-8.9
24	[Co(L)(N(CN) ₂) ₂]	-17.3	30.1	-0.8	30.1	28.1	-8.9	-4.7	-14.8	-17.9
25	[Co(Brphtpy) ₂](OTf) ₂ ·DMF·2H ₂ O	36.6	57.4	12.0	49.9	49.3	-1.5	0.4	-11.1	-16.1
26	[Co(tppz) ₂](tcm) ₂	36.4	60.7	13.7	52.3	51.9	-1.6	12.8	4.7	-0.9

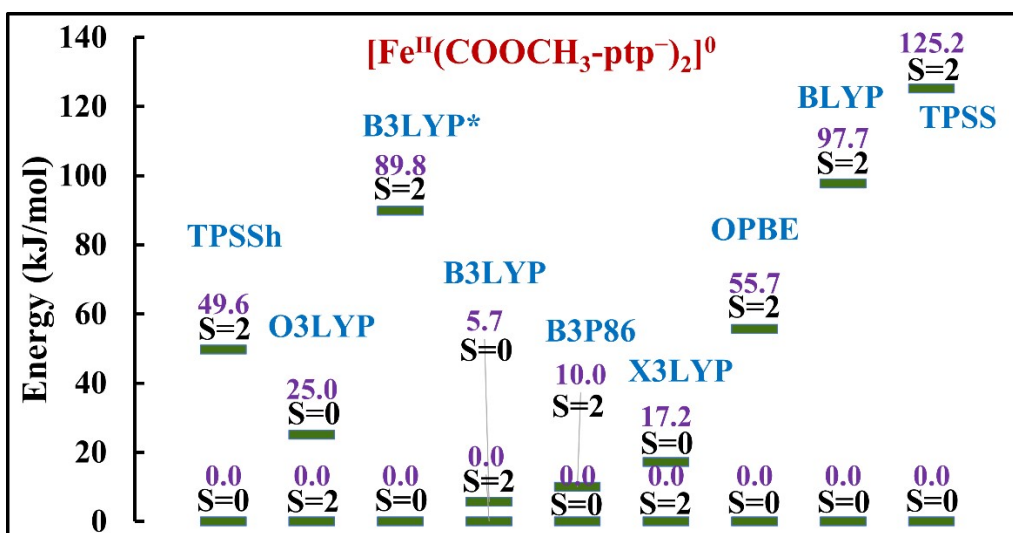
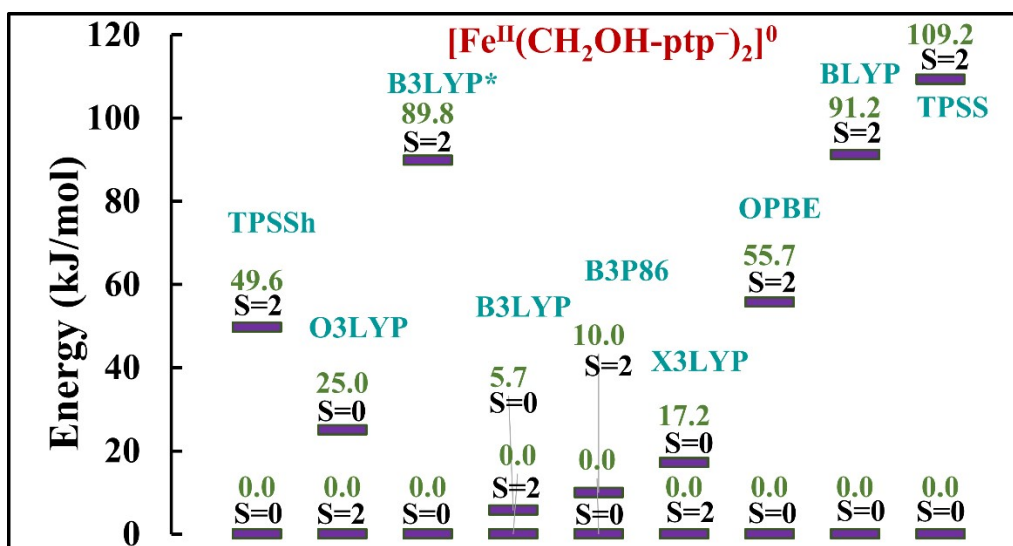
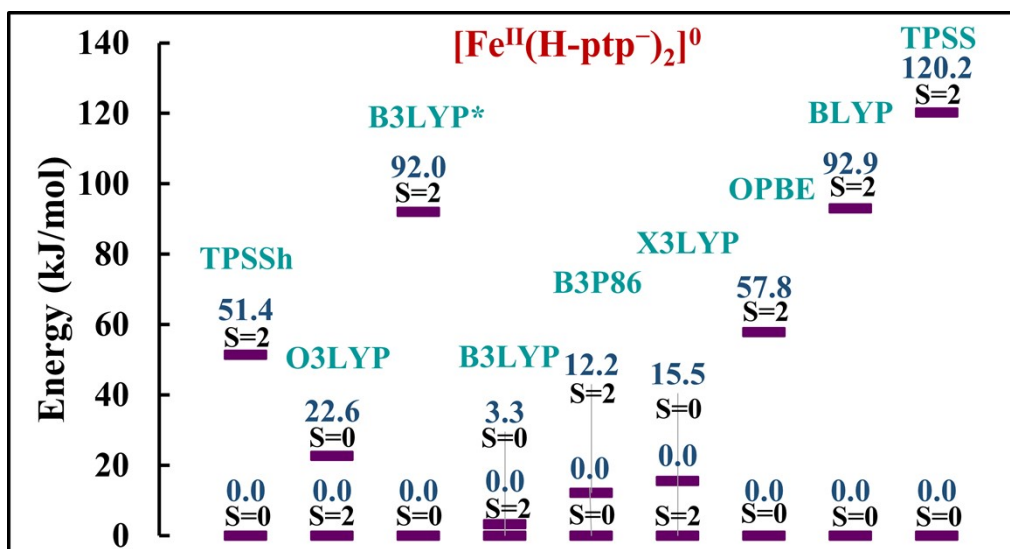


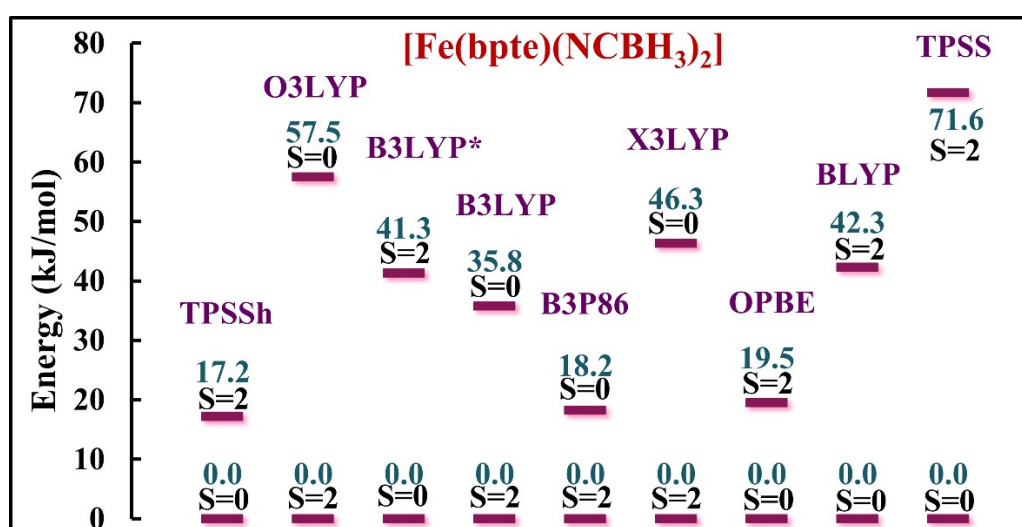
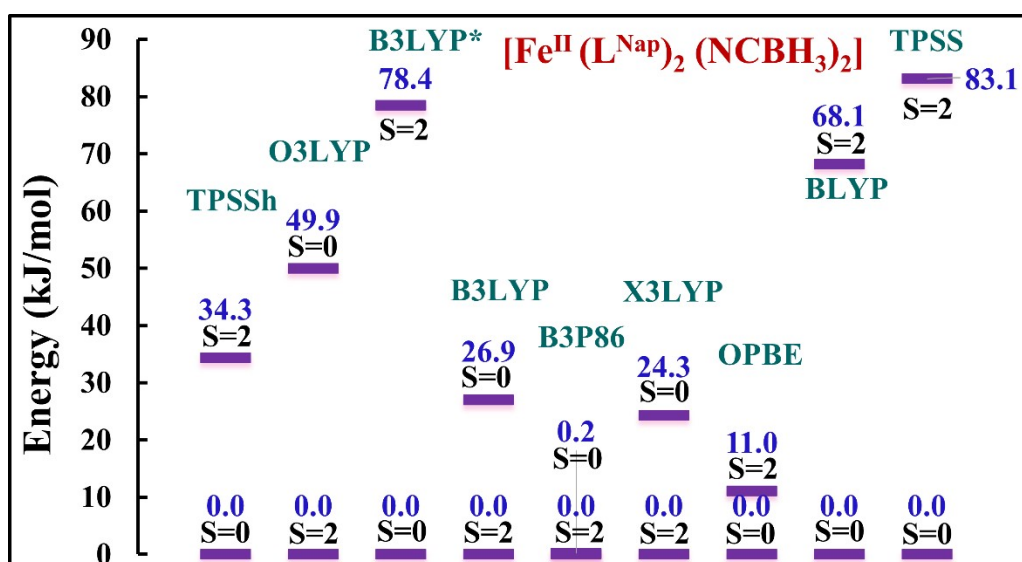
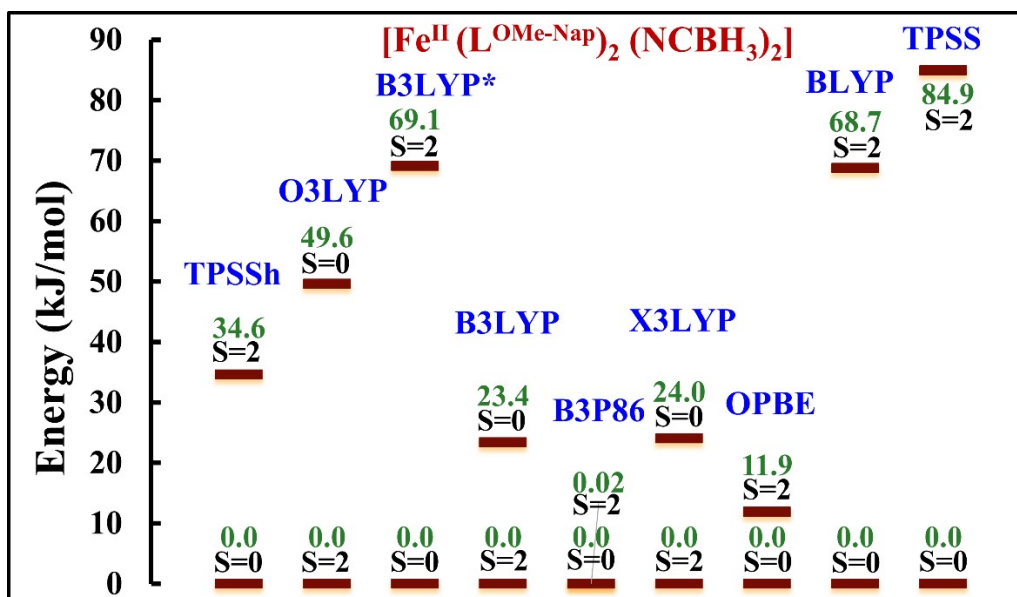


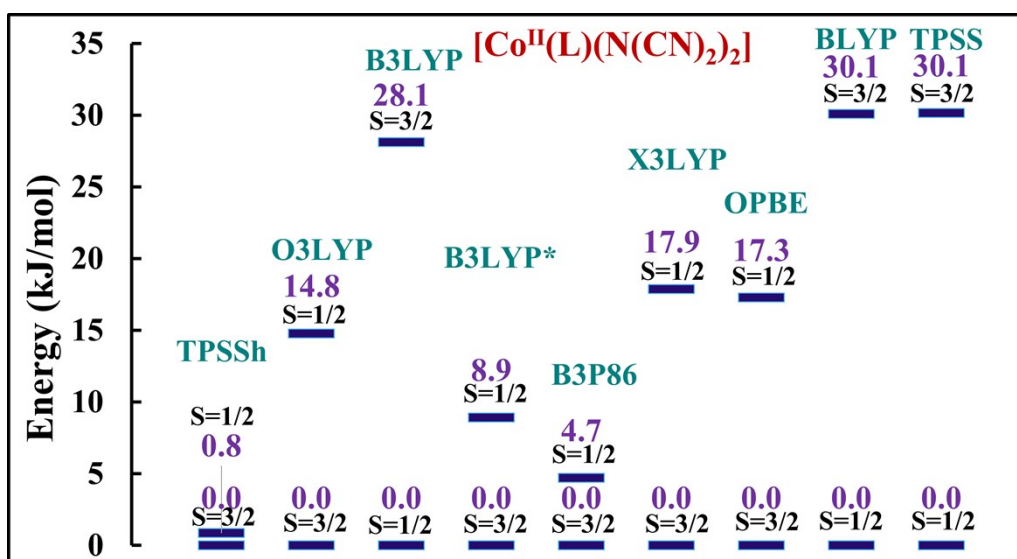
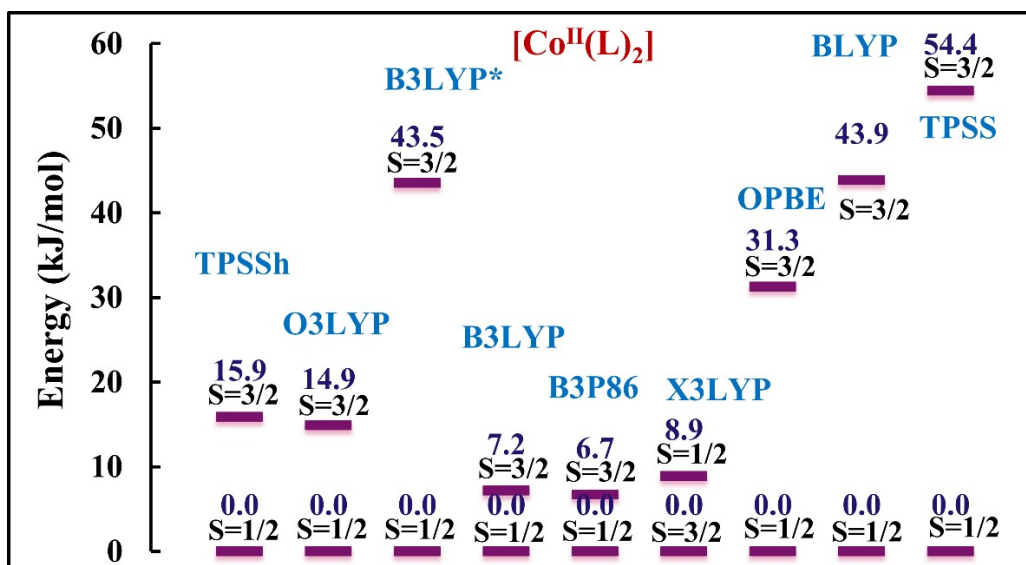
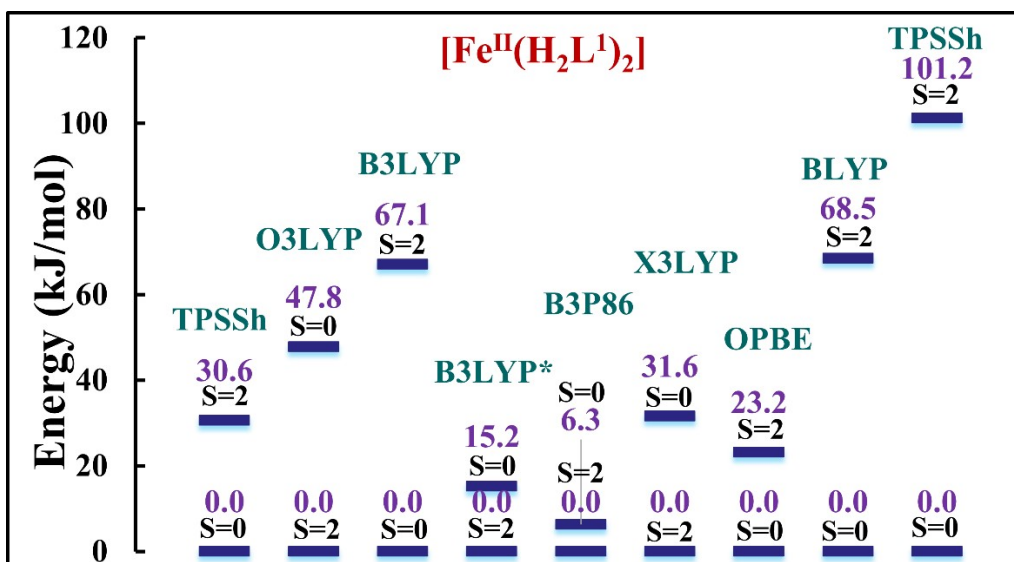












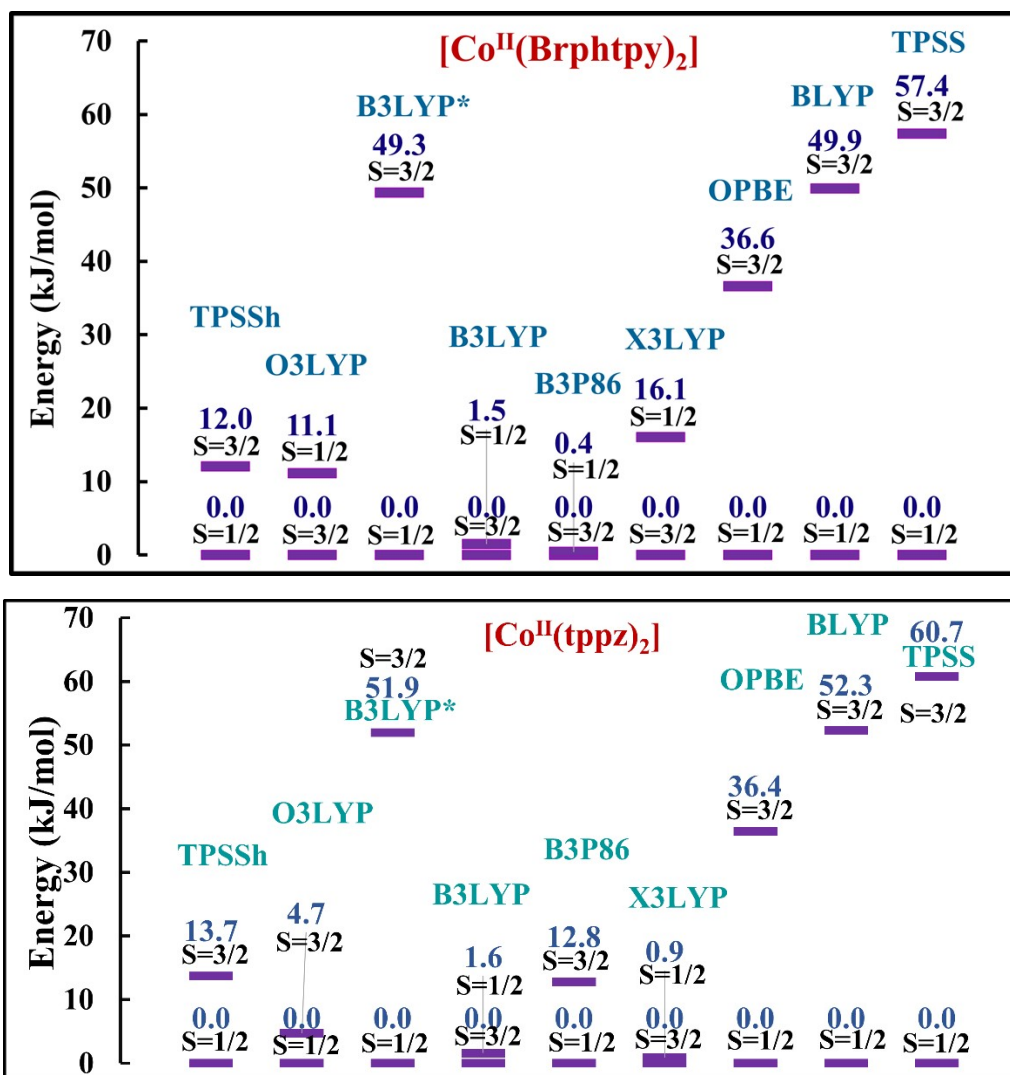


Figure S1: The energy difference between two spin states, expressed in kJ mol^{-1} , was calculated for each of the 26 complexes using OPBE, TPSS, TPSSh, O3LYP, B3LYP*, BLYP, B3LYP, B3P86, and X3LYP.

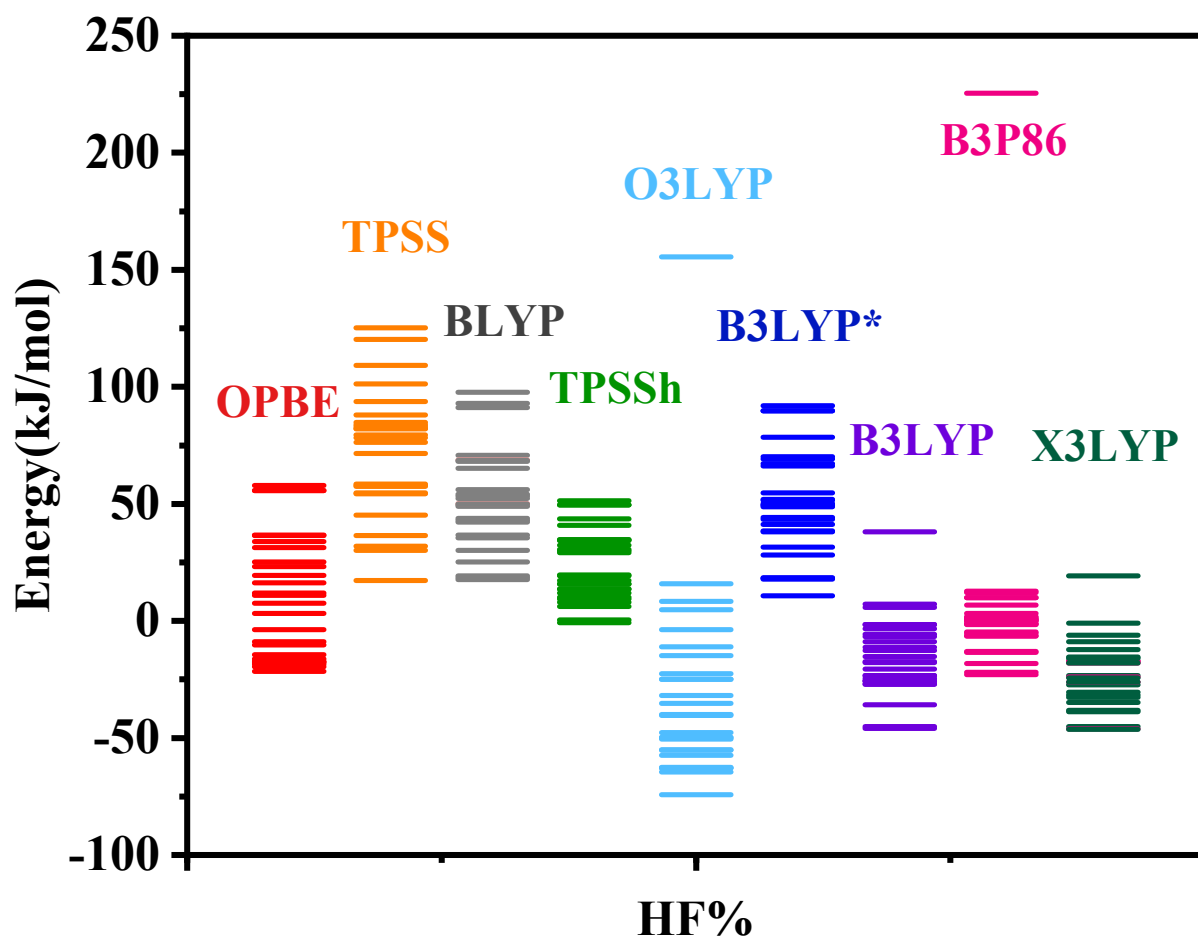


Figure S2. Energy difference (HS – LS) for the 26 studied systems plotted against the amount of exact Hartree–Fock mixed into the corresponding exchange–correlation functional.

Table S2. Computed transition temperatures ($T_{1/2}$) in K, enthalpy and entropy differences ($\Delta H = H_{HS} - H_{LS}$) in kcal/mol and ($\Delta S = S_{HS} - S_{LS}$) in cal/K.mol for the 26 studied systems, using the TPSSh functional and 12 systems for which the B3P86 functional predicted correct GS, together with the experimental transition temperatures and computed transition temperatures.

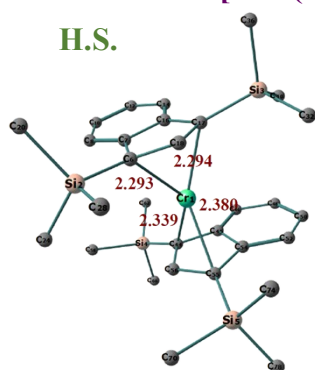
Complex No.	Molecular formula	$T_{1/2}$ Exp	TPSSh			B3P86		
			ΔH	ΔS	$T_{1/2}$	ΔH	ΔS	$T_{1/2}$
1	[Cr(1,3-Si-indenyl) ₂]	350	2.47	10.37	239	---	---	---
2	[Cr(4,7-Me-indenyl) ₂]	250	2.02	6.61	266	3.24	6.45	503
3	[Mn(naphth-sal-1,5,8,12)]	164	5.61	10.7	521	1.03	10.1	103
4	[Mn(5azo-sal2-323)]	560	4.12	10.2	406	---	---	---
5	[Mn(Me ₃ SiCp) ₂]	125	10.83	14.9	724	---	---	---
6	[Mn(1,3-(tBu) ₂ Cp) ₂]	314, 327	11.7	20.4	574	---	---	---
7	[Fe(bztpen)(OEtg)](PF ₆) ₂	284	8.32	14.3	580	---	---	---
8	[Fe(bztpen)(OButn)](PF ₆) ₂	282	8.69	17.4	497	1.25	17.5	73
9	[Fe(bztpen)(OProp)](PF ₆) ₂	255	8.94	15.6	570	1.42	14.6	97
10	[Fe(2amp) ₃]Cl ₂	196	6.83	20	341	0.98	18.5	53
11	[Fe(tacn) ₂](OTf) ₂	330	8.22	14.7	558	---	---	---
12	[Fe(L ^{OMe-Nap}) ₂](NCS) ₂	100	3.70	22.5	164	---	---	---
13	[Fe(L ^{npdtz}) ₂](NCS) ₂	110	3.48	22.8	153	---	---	---
14	[Fe(L ^{npdtz}) ₂](NCSe) ₂	154	5.0	22.0	229	55.8	17.2	324
15	[Fe(bpte)(bim)]X ₂	330	5.8	15.4	375	---	---	---
16	[Fe(H-tp ⁻) ₂] ⁰	296	13.8	20.4	675	19.5	22	887
17	[Fe(CH ₂ OH-tp ⁻) ₂] ⁰	302	13.3	20.1	664	-16.4	19.85	829
18	[Fe(COOCH ₃ -tp ⁻) ₂] ⁰	347	14.8	20.5	722	5.23	20.2	259
19	[Fe(L ^{OMe-Nap}) ₂](NCBH ₃) ₂	290	9.85	24.6	399	1.42	23.8	60
20	[Fe(L ^{Nap}) ₂](NCBH ₃) ₂	160, 300	9.77	24.6	396	---	---	---
21	[Fe(bpte)(NCBH ₃) ₂]	243	5.07	13.5	373	---	---	---
22	[Fe(H ₂ L ¹) ₂](BF ₄) ₂ ·x(solv.)	200	9.15	25.3	361	---	---	---
23	[Co(L) ₂](ClO ₄) ₂	175	4.45	9.3	480	2.19	8.17	268
24	[Co(L)(N(CN) ₂) ₂]	238	---	---	---	---	---	---
25	[Co(Brphtpy) ₂](OTf) ₂ ·DMF·2H ₂ O	360	3.48	12.04	289	0.43	9.25	47
26	[Co(tppz) ₂](tcm) ₂	200	3.82	8.12	471	3.44	4.74	725

Table S3: Computed transition temperatures ($T_{1/2}$) in K, enthalpy and entropy differences ($\Delta H = H_{HS} - H_{LS}$) in kcal/mol and ($\Delta S = S_{HS} - S_{LS}$) in cal/K.mol for the 26 studied systems using the B3LYP* functional, together with the experimental transition temperatures and computed transition temperatures.

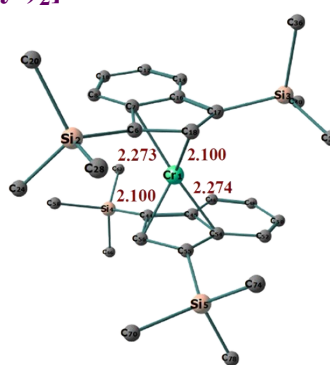
B3LYP*					
Complex No.	Molecular formula	ΔH	ΔS	$T_{1/2}$	$T_{1/2 \text{ Exp}}$
1	[Cr(1,3-Si-indenyl) ₂]	3.27	12.55	260	350
2	[Cr(4,7-Me-indenyl) ₂]	4.82	8.15	591	250
3	[Mn(naphth-sal-1,5,8,12)]	6.24	4.36	1429	164
4	[Mn(5azo-sal2-323)]	5.37	12.54	429	560
5	[Mn(Me ₃ SiCp) ₂]	16.59	12.9	1284	125
6	[Mn(1,3-(tBu) ₂ Cp) ₂]	17.0	9.2	1836	314, 327
7	[Fe(bztpen)(OEtg)](PF ₆) ₂	12.4	10.6	1168	284
8	[Fe(bztpen)(OBu ⁿ)](PF ₆) ₂	11.8	-0.65	18042	282
9	[Fe(bztpen)(OProp)](PF ₆) ₂	12.05	1.52	7896	255
10	[Fe(2amp) ₃]Cl ₂	13.71	14.3	955	91
11	[Fe(tacn) ₂](OTf) ₂	11.97	-1.60	7446	330
12	[Fe(L ^{OMe-Nap}) ₂](NCS) ₂]	9.79	13.604	720	100
13	[Fe (L ^{npdtz}) ₂](NCS) ₂]	10.15	16.6	613	110
14	[Fe (L ^{npdtz}) ₂](NCSe) ₂]	11.13	11.96	930	150
15	[Fe(bpte)(bim)]X ₂	13.7	9.2	1496	330
16	[Fe(H-ptp ⁻) ₂] ⁰	23.2	17.04	1361	296
17	[Fe(CH ₂ OH-ptp ⁻) ₂] ⁰	22.47	10.87	2066	302
18	[Fe(COOCH ₃ -ptp ⁻) ₂] ⁰	24.2	10.67	2269	347
19	[Fe(L ^{OMe-Nap}) ₂](NCBH ₃) ₂]	17.05	8.75	1948	290
20	[Fe(L ^{Nap}) ₂](NCBH ₃) ₂]	19.75	13.4	1477	160, 300
21	[Fe(bpte)(NCBH ₃) ₂]	10.75	11.4	941	243
22	[Fe(H ₂ L ¹) ₂] (BF ₄) ₂ ·x(solv.)	16.78	11.16	1504	200
23	[Co(L) ₂] (ClO ₄) ₂	10.6	4.13	2570	175
24	[Co(L)(N(CN) ₂) ₂]	6.75	0.21	32656	238
25	[Co(Brphtpy) ₂](OTf) ₂ ·DMF·2H ₂ O	12.44	7.27	1711	360
26	[Co(tppz) ₂](tcm) ₂	13.06	6.19	2108	200

[Cr^{II}(1,3-Si-indenyl)₂]

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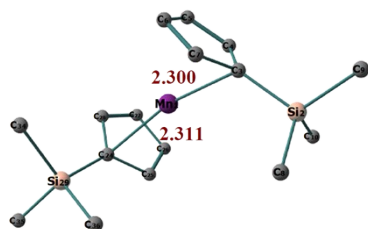


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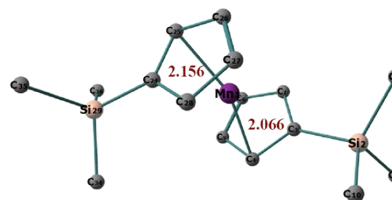


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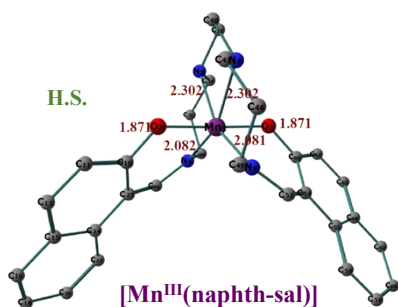
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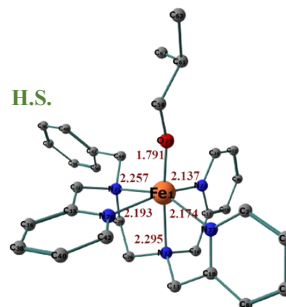


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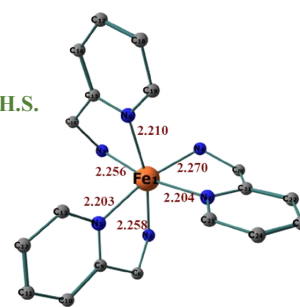
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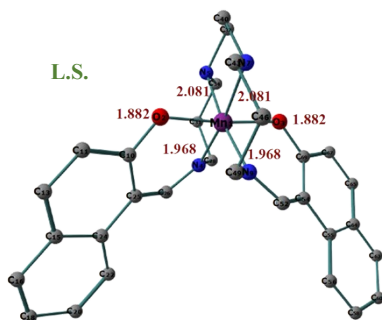
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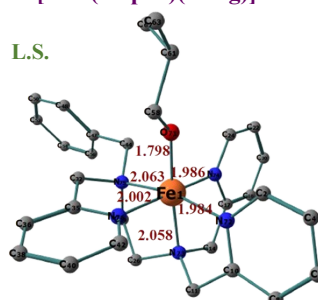


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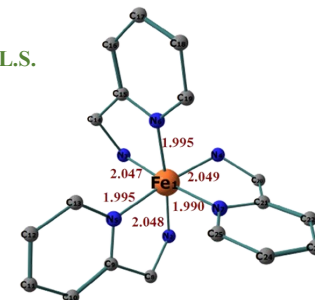
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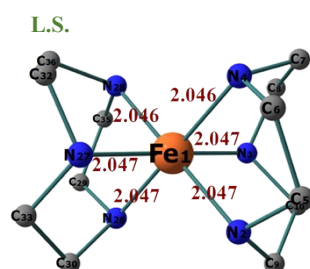
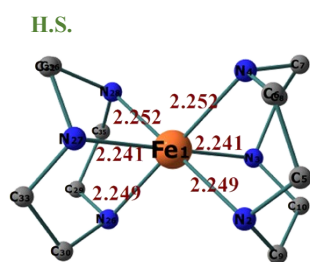
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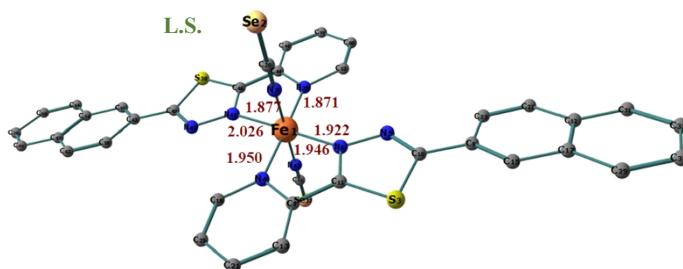
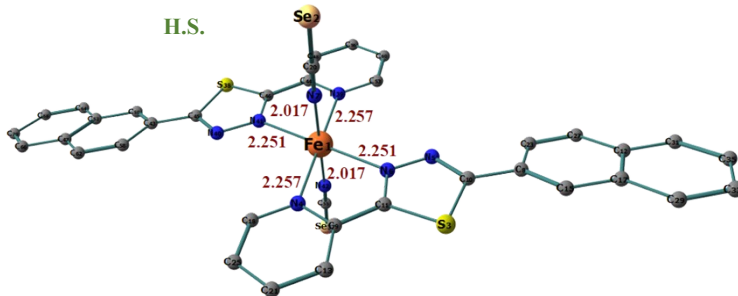
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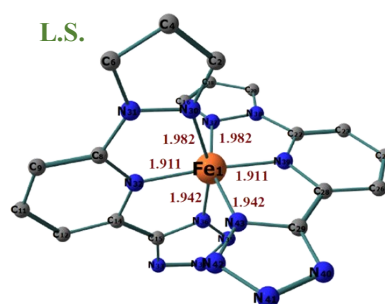
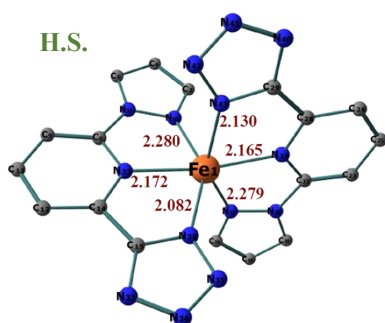
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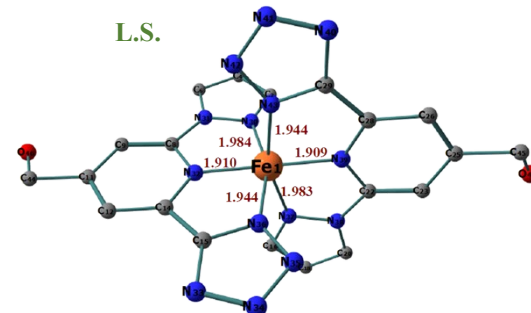
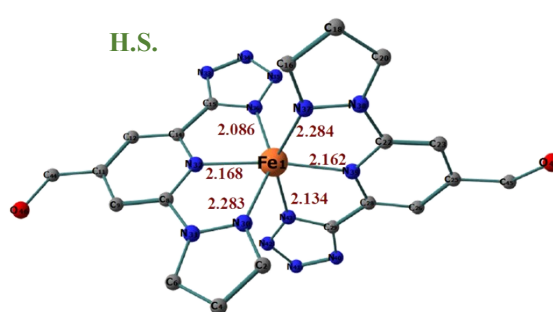
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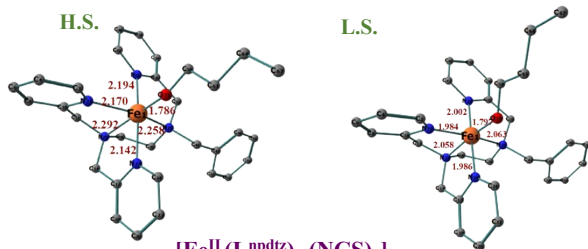
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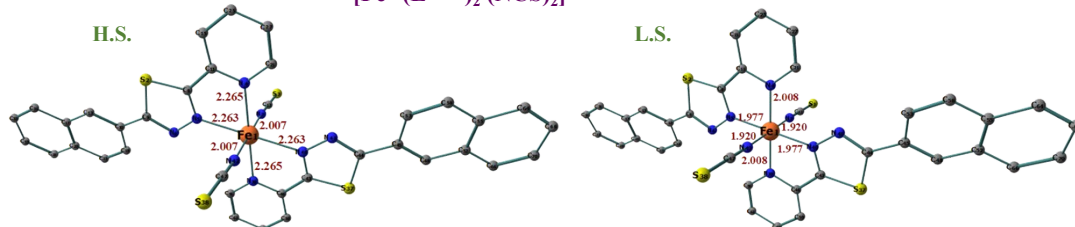
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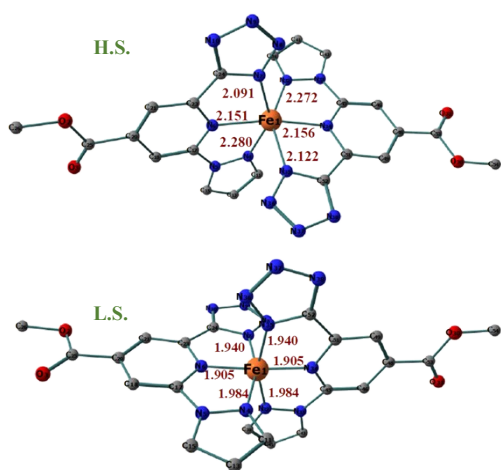
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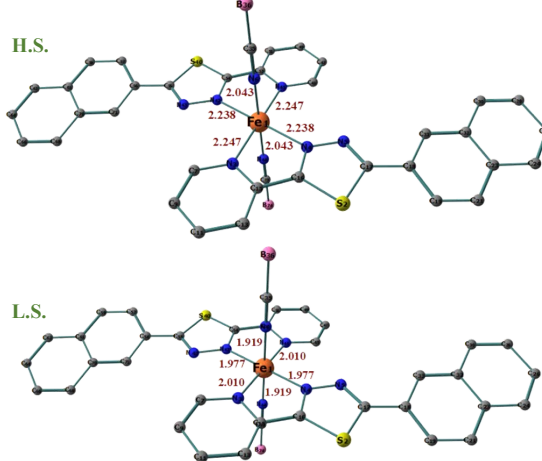
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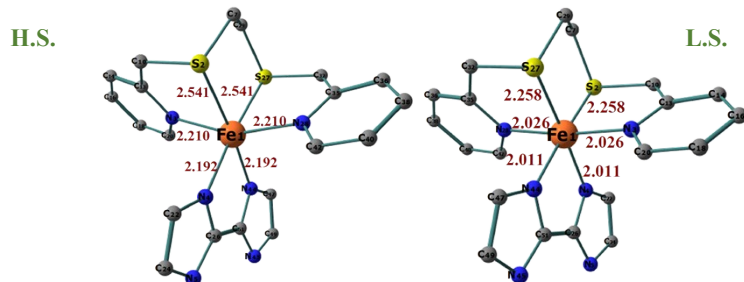
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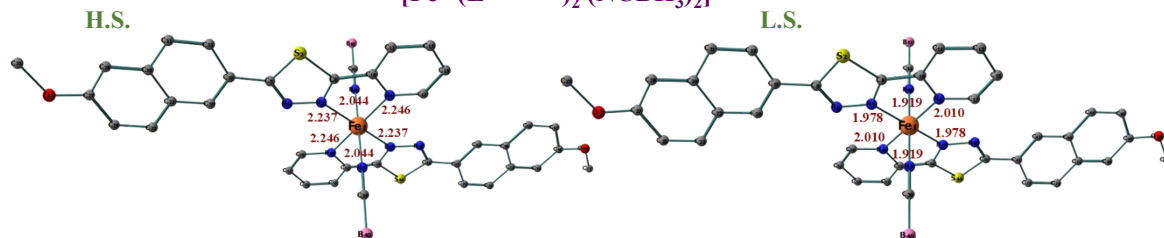
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[Fe^{II}(bpte)(bim)]



[Fe^{II}(L^{OMe-Nap})₂(NCBH₃)₂]



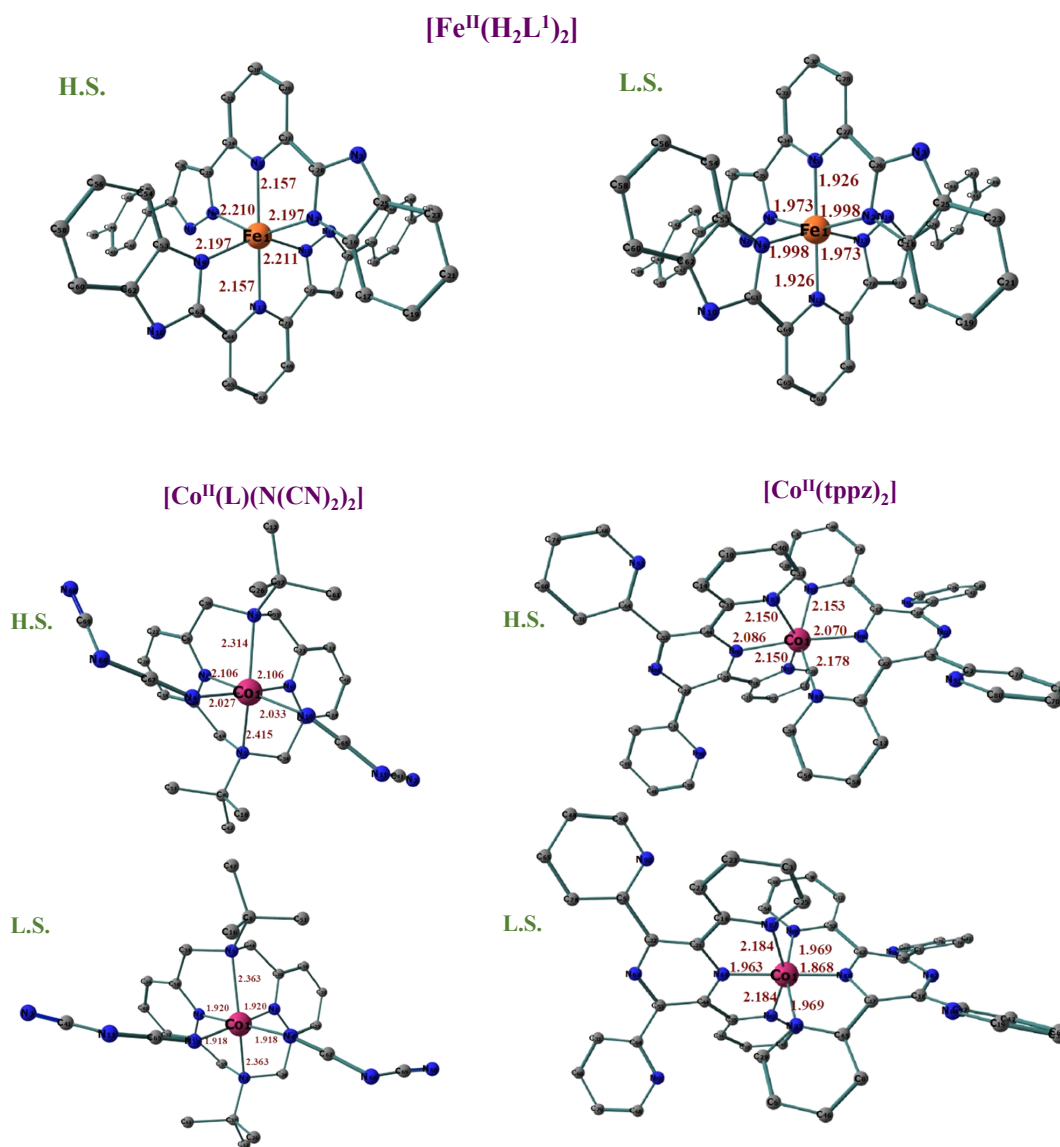


Figure S3: Structure optimization for complexes ($[\text{Cr}(\text{1,3-Si-indenyl})_2](\mathbf{1})$, $[\text{Mn}(\text{naphth-sal-1,5,8,12})](\mathbf{3})$, $[\text{Mn}(\text{Me}_3\text{SiCp})_2](\mathbf{5})$, $[\text{Fe}(\text{bztpen})(\text{OEtg})](\text{PF}_6)_2(\mathbf{7})$, $[\text{Fe}(\text{bztpen})(\text{OButn})](\mathbf{8})$, $[\text{Fe}(\text{bztpen})(\text{OProp})](\text{PF}_6)_2(\mathbf{9})$, $[\text{Fe}(\text{2amp})_3](\mathbf{10})$, $[\text{Fe}(\text{tacn})_2](\mathbf{11})$, $[\text{Fe}(\text{L}^{\text{npdtz}})_2(\text{NCS})_2](\mathbf{13})$, $[\text{Fe}(\text{L}^{\text{npdtz}})_2(\text{NCSe})_2](\mathbf{14})$, $[\text{Fe}(\text{H-ptp}^-)_2](\mathbf{16})$, $[\text{Fe}(\text{bpte})(\text{bim})](\mathbf{15})$, $[\text{Fe}(\text{CH}_2\text{OH-ptp}^-)_2]^0(\mathbf{17})$, $[\text{Fe}(\text{COOCH}_3\text{-ptp}^-)_2](\mathbf{18})$, $[\text{Fe}(\text{L}^{\text{OMe-Nap}})_2(\text{NCBH}_3)_2](\mathbf{19})$, $[\text{Fe}(\text{L}^{\text{Nap}})_2(\text{NCBH}_3)_2](\mathbf{21})$, $[\text{Fe}(\text{H}_2\text{L}^1)_2](\text{BF}_4)_2(\mathbf{22})$, $[\text{Co}(\text{L})_2](\text{ClO}_4)_2(\mathbf{23})$, $[\text{Co}(\text{L})(\text{N}(\text{CN})_2)_2](\mathbf{24})$, and $[\text{Co}(\text{tppz})_2](\text{tcm})_2(\mathbf{26})$ using the TPSSH functional and a few chosen bond values in the first coordination environment. The color code is as follows: Orange stands for iron, blue for nitrogen, red for oxygen, grey for carbon, pink for boron, yellow for sulfur, green for bromine and hydrogen atoms are left out for clarity.

Table S4: The TPSSh calculated parameters for complexes compared with X-ray structural parameters for some of the selected complexes $[\text{Cr}^{\text{II}}(1,3\text{-Si-indenyl})_2](\mathbf{1})$, $[\text{Cr}^{\text{II}}(4,7\text{-Me-indenyl})_2](\mathbf{2})$, $[\text{Mn}^{\text{III}}(\text{naphth-sal-N-1,5,8,12})](\mathbf{3})$, $[\text{Mn}^{\text{II}}(\text{Me}_3\text{SiCp})_2](\mathbf{5})$, $[\text{Mn}^{\text{II}}(1,3\text{-(tBu)}_2\text{Cp})_2](\mathbf{6})$, $[\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}(\text{bztpen})(\text{OProp})](\mathbf{9})$, $[\text{Fe}(\text{2amp})_2]^{2+}(\mathbf{10})$, $[\text{Fe}(\text{tacn})_2]^{2+}(\mathbf{11})$, $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\text{L}^{\text{OMe-Nap}})_2(\text{NCS})_2](\mathbf{12})$, $[\text{Co}(\text{L})(\text{N}(\text{CN})_2)_2](\mathbf{24})$, $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\text{L}^{\text{npdtz}})_2(\text{NCSe})_2](\mathbf{14})$, $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}\text{H-tp}^-]_2(\mathbf{16})$, $((\mathbf{4})[\text{Mn}^{\text{III}}(\text{5azo-sal2-323})]$, $(\mathbf{7})[\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}(\text{bztpen})(\text{OEtg})]$, $(\mathbf{8})[\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}(\text{bztpen})(\text{OButn})]$, $(\mathbf{13})[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\text{L}^{\text{npdtz}})_2(\text{NCS})_2]$, $(\mathbf{15})[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\text{bpte})(\text{bim})]$, $(\mathbf{19})[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\text{L}^{\text{OMe-Nap}})_2(\text{NCBH}_3)_2]$, $(\mathbf{22})[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\text{H}_2\text{L}^1)_2](\text{BF}_4)_2 \cdot x(\text{solv.})$, $(\mathbf{21})[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\text{bpte})(\text{NCBH}_3)_2]$ and $(\mathbf{25})[\text{Co}^{\text{II}}(\text{Brhpty})_2]$.

[Mn ^{III} (naphth-sal-N-1,5,8,12)]				[Fe ^{III} (bztpen)(OProp)]				[Fe(2amp) ₂] ²⁺			
Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS
Mn-O2	1.865	1.871	1.882	Fe-O71	1.804	1.791	1.798	Fe-N2	2.017	2.258	2.048
Mn-O3	1.861	1.871	1.882	Fe-N72	1.963	2.174	1.984	Fe-N3	2.021	2.256	2.047
Mn-N4	2.093	2.082	1.968	Fe-N73	2.036	2.295	2.058	Fe-N4	2.024	2.270	2.049
Mn-N5	2.231	2.302	2.081	Fe-N74	1.977	2.137	1.986	Fe-N5	1.977	2.203	1.995
Mn-N7	2.252	2.302	2.081	Fe-N75	2.045	2.257	2.063	Fe-N6	1.970	2.210	1.995
Mn-N9	2.096	2.081	1.968	Fe-N76	1.985	2.193	2.002	Fe-N7	1.973	2.204	1.990
[Fe(tacn) ₂] ²⁺				[Fe ^{II} (L ^{OMe-Nap}) ₂ (NCS) ₂]				[Co(L)(N(CN) ₂) ₂]			
Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS
Fe-N2	2.043	2.249	2.047	Fe-N5	2.187	2.262	1.978	Co-N3	2.340	2.314	2.363
Fe-N3	2.035	2.241	2.047	Fe-N7	2.204	2.263	2.008	Co-N4	1.927	2.027	1.918
Fe-N4	2.023	2.252	2.046	Fe-N8	2.101	2.009	1.921	Co-N5	2.315	2.415	2.363
Fe-N26	2.043	2.249	2.047	Fe-N44	2.187	2.262	1.978	Co-N6	1.909	2.106	1.920
Fe-N27	2.035	2.241	2.047	Fe-N46	2.204	2.263	2.008	Co-N7	1.920	2.106	1.920
Fe-N28	2.023	2.252	2.046	Fe-N47	2.101	2.009	1.921	Co-N10	1.942	2.033	1.918
[Fe ^{II} (L ^{npdtz}) ₂ (NCSe) ₂]				[Fe ^{II} H-tp ⁻] ₂ ⁰				[Cr ^{II} (4,7-Me-indenyl) ₂]			
Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS
Fe-N4	2.203	2.257	1.977	Fe-N30	1.969	2.280	1.982	Cr-C2	2.218	2.275	2.257
Fe-N6	2.161	2.251	1.922	Fe-N32	1.898	2.171	1.911	Cr-C5	2.127	2.263	2.094
Fe-N7	2.137	2.017	1.877	Fe-N36	1.957	2.082	1.941	Cr-C27	2.122	2.275	2.257
Fe-N39	2.203	2.257	1.887	Fe-N37	1.951	2.279	1.982	Cr-C31	2.235	2.266	2.094
Fe-N41	2.161	2.251	2.026	Fe-N39	1.906	2.165	1.911				
Fe-N42	2.137	2.017	1.946	Fe-N43	1.958	2.130	1.942				

[Cr ^{II} (1,3-Si-indenyl) ₂]				[Mn ^{II} (1,3-(tBu) ₂ Cp) ₂]				[Mn ^{II} (Me ₃ SiCp) ₂]			
Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS
Cr-C7	2.268	2.293	2.273	Mn-C5	2.071	2.370	2.068	Mn-C3	2.331	2.300	2.066
Cr-C18	2.113	2.294	2.100	Mn-C8	2.164	2.421	2.186	Mn-C24	2.331	2.311	2.156
Cr-C54	2.265	2.339	2.273	Mn-C39	2.071	2.359	2.068				
Cr-C56	2.102	2.380	2.100	Mn-C42	2.164	2.430	2.186				

(2)[Mn ^{III} (5azo-sal2-323)]				(4)[[Fe ^{III} (bztpen)(OButn)]]				(8)[[Fe ^{II} (L ^{npdtz}) ₂ (NCS) ₂]]			
Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS	Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS	Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS
Mn-O2	1.886	1.870	1.880	Fe-O71	1.800	1.786	1.797	Fe-N4	2.200	2.265	2.008
Mn-N3	1.985	2.100	1.982	Fe-N72	1.962	2.170	1.984	Fe-N5	2.200	2.263	1.977
Mn-N4	2.033	2.300	2.077	Fe-N73	2.037	2.292	2.058	Fe-N7	2.091	2.007	1.920
Mn-O42	1.886	1.870	1.880	Fe-N74	1.981	2.142	1.986	Fe-N39	2.200	2.265	2.008
Mn-N43	1.985	2.100	1.982	Fe-N75	2.044	2.258	2.063	Fe-N40	2.200	2.263	1.977
Mn-N44	2.033	2.300	2.077	Fe-N76	1.981	2.194	2.002	Fe-N42	2.091	2.007	1.920
(18)[Fe ^{II} (H ₂ L ¹) ₂]				(13)[Fe ^{II} (bpte)(bim)]				(17)[Fe ^{II} (L ^{OMe-Nap}) ₂ (NCBH ₃) ₂]			

Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS	Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS	Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS
Fe-N2	2.137	2.197	1.998	Fe-S2	2.236	2.541	2.258	Fe-N4	2.034	2.246	2.010
Fe-N5	2.088	2.157	1.926	Fe-N3	2.003	2.210	2.026	Fe-N5	1.996	2.237	1.978
Fe-N6	2.168	2.210	1.973	Fe-N4	2.004	2.192	2.011	Fe-N7	1.947	2.044	1.919
Fe-N9	2.140	2.197	1.998	Fe-S27	2.236	2.541	2.258	Fe-N46	2.034	2.246	2.010
Fe-N12	2.081	2.157	1.926	Fe-N28	2.003	2.210	2.026	Fe-N47	1.996	2.237	1.978
Fe-N13	2.162	2.213	1.973	Fe-N44	2.004	2.192	2.011	Fe-N49	1.947	2.044	1.919
(19)[Fe ^{II} (bpte)(NCBH ₃) ₂]				(21)[Co ^{II} (Brphtpy) ₂]				(3)[Fe ^{III} (bztpen)(OEtg)]			
Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS	Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS	Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS
Fe-S2	2.250	2.677	2.269	Co-N2	1.891	2.077	1.937	Fe-O64	1.810	1.799	1.801
Fe-N3	1.960	2.030	1.925	Co-N3	1.879	2.056	1.868	Fe-N66	1.973	2.172	1.990
Fe-N4	2.008	2.209	1.999	Co-N4	2.093	2.200	2.003	Fe-N67	2.029	2.294	2.057
Fe-S25	2.250	2.677	2.269	Co-N5	2.050	2.169	2.003	Fe-N68	1.980	2.133	1.991
Fe-N26	1.960	2.026	1.925	Co-N6	2.082	2.170	2.189	Fe-N69	2.050	2.244	2.057
Fe-N42	2.008	2.209	1.999	Co-N7	2.050	2.180	2.189	Fe-N70	1.995	2.186	2.002

Table S5: The TPSSh calculated parameters for complexes compared with X-ray structural parameters for some of the selected complexes [Fe^{II}(CH₂OH-ppt⁻)₂]⁰(13), [Fe^{II}(COOCH₃-ppt⁻)₂]⁰(14), [Fe^{II}(L^{Nap})₂(NCBH₃)₂](16), [Fe^{II}(H₂L¹)₂](BF₄)₂·x(solv.) (18), [Co^{II}(L)₂](ClO₄)₂(21), [Co^{II}(tppz)₂](tcm)₂(22).

[Fe ^{II} (CH ₂ OH-ptp ⁻) ₂] ⁰				[Fe ^{II} (COOCH ₃ -ptp ⁻) ₂] ⁰				[Fe ^{II} (L ^{Nap}) ₂ (NCBH ₃) ₂]			
Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS
Fe-N30	1.969	2.283	1.984	Fe-N4	1.955	2.280	1.984	Fe-N3	2.115	2.247	2.010
Fe-N32	1.898	2.168	1.910	Fe-N6	1.902	2.151	1.905	Fe-N4	2.096	2.238	1.977
Fe-N36	1.957	2.086	1.944	Fe-N7	1.942	2.091	1.940	Fe-N6	2.045	2.043	1.919
Fe-N37	1.958	2.284	1.983	Fe-N32	1.955	2.272	1.940	Fe-N41	2.115	2.247	2.010
Fe-N39	1.906	2.162	1.909	Fe-N34	1.902	2.156	1.905	Fe-N42	2.096	2.238	1.977
Fe-N43	1.951	2.134	1.944	Fe-N35	1.942	2.122	1.984	Fe-N44	2.045	2.043	1.919
[Fe ^{II} (H ₂ L ¹) ₂](BF ₄) ₂ ·x(solv.)				[Co ^{II} (L) ₂](ClO ₄) ₂				[Co ^{II} (tppz) ₂](tcm) ₂			
Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS
Fe-N2	2.133	2.197	1.998	Co-S2	2.470	2.484	2.514	Co-N83	2.158	2.150	2.184
Fe-N5	2.089	2.157	1.926	Co-S3	2.472	2.484	2.514	Co-N86	1.936	2.086	1.963
Fe-N6	2.168	2.210	1.973	Co-N8	2.027	2.177	2.020	Co-N87	2.160	2.150	2.184
Fe-N9	2.140	2.197	1.998	Co-N9	2.019	2.177	2.020	Co-N88	1.864	2.070	1.868
Fe-N12	2.082	2.157	1.926	Co-N11	1.981	2.097	1.942	Co-N89	1.978	2.178	1.969
Fe-N13	2.161	2.211	1.973	Co-N12	1.980	2.097	1.942	Co-N93	1.977	2.153	1.969

Table S6: The comparison of optimized and X-ray bond parameters for all 26 complexes using the B3LYP* functional.

[Mn ^{III} (5azo-sal2-323)]				[Fe ^{III} (bztpen)(OButn)]				[Fe ^{II} (L ^{npdtz}) ₂ (NCS) ₂]			
Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS	Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS	Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS
Mn-O2	1.886	1.873	1.889	Fe-O71	1.800	1.785	1.795	Fe-N4	2.200	2.291	2.032
Mn-N3	1.985	2.116	2.002	Fe-N72	1.962	2.186	2.009	Fe-N5	2.200	2.290	2.001
Mn-N4	2.033	2.326	2.096	Fe-N73	2.037	2.319	2.090	Fe-N7	2.091	2.014	1.936
Mn-O42	1.886	1.873	1.889	Fe-N74	1.981	2.158	2.012	Fe-N39	2.200	2.291	2.032
Mn-N43	1.985	2.116	2.002	Fe-N75	2.044	2.288	2.096	Fe-N40	2.200	2.290	2.001
Mn-N44	2.033	2.326	2.096	Fe-N76	1.981	2.211	2.034	Fe-N42	2.091	2.014	1.936
[Fe ^{II} (H ₂ L') ₂]				[Fe ^{II} (bpte)(bim)]				[Fe ^{II} (L ^{OMe-Nap}) ₂ (NCBH ₃) ₂]			
Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS	Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS	Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS
Fe-N2	2.137	2.217	2.024	Fe-S2	2.236	2.573	2.289	Fe-N4	2.034	2.269	2.033
Fe-N5	2.088	2.173	1.944	Fe-N3	2.003	2.229	2.055	Fe-N5	1.996	2.261	2.001
Fe-N6	2.168	2.237	2.002	Fe-N4	2.004	2.210	2.035	Fe-N7	1.947	2.051	1.935
Fe-N9	2.140	2.217	2.024	Fe-S27	2.236	2.573	2.289	Fe-N46	2.034	2.268	2.033
Fe-N12	2.081	2.173	1.944	Fe-N28	2.003	2.229	2.055	Fe-N47	1.996	2.261	2.002
Fe-N13	2.162	2.237	2.002	Fe-N44	2.004	2.210	2.035	Fe-N49	1.947	2.051	1.935
[Fe ^{II} (bpte)(NCBH ₃) ₂]				[Co ^{II} (Brphtpy) ₂]				[Fe ^{III} (bztpen)(OEtg)]			
Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS	Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS	Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS
Fe-S2	2.250	2.698	2.307	Co-N2	1.891	2.078	1.951	Fe-O64	1.810	1.801	1.804
Fe-N3	1.960	2.041	1.941	Co-N3	1.879	2.078	1.883	Fe-N66	1.973	2.184	2.007
Fe-N4	2.008	2.246	2.028	Co-N4	2.093	2.215	2.033	Fe-N67	2.029	2.322	2.084
Fe-S25	2.250	2.699	2.307	Co-N5	2.050	2.187	2.033	Fe-N68	1.980	2.145	2.010
Fe-N26	1.960	2.246	2.028	Co-N6	2.082	2.215	2.218	Fe-N69	2.050	2.279	2.087
Fe-N42	2.008	2.041	1.941	Co-N7	2.050	2.187	2.218	Fe-N70	1.995	2.201	2.024

[Mn ^{III} (naphth-sal-N-1,5,8,12)]				[Fe ^{III} (bztpen)(OProp)]				[Fe(2amp) ₂] ²⁺			
Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS
Mn-O2	1.865	1.874	1.890	Fe-O71	1.804	1.790	1.796	Fe-N2	2.017	2.275	2.068
Mn-O3	1.861	1.874	1.890	Fe-N72	1.963	2.188	2.010	Fe-N3	2.021	2.274	2.068
Mn-N4	2.093	2.096	1.986	Fe-N73	2.036	2.322	2.090	Fe-N4	2.024	2.287	2.071
Mn-N5	2.231	2.330	2.101	Fe-N74	1.977	2.154	2.012	Fe-N5	1.977	2.221	2.023
Mn-N7	2.252	2.330	2.101	Fe-N75	2.045	2.290	2.096	Fe-N6	1.970	2.233	2.025
Mn-N9	2.096	2.096	1.986	Fe-N76	1.985	2.210	2.034	Fe-N7	1.973	2.221	2.018
[Fe(tacn) ₂] ²⁺				[Fe ^{II} (L ^{OMe-Nap}) ₂ (NCS) ₂]				[Co(L)(N(CN) ₂) ₂]			
Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS
Fe-N2	2.043	2.272	2.081	Fe-N5	2.187	2.289	2.001	Co-N3	2.340	2.348	2.425
Fe-N3	2.035	2.262	2.081	Fe-N7	2.204	2.289	2.032	Co-N4	1.927	2.026	1.927
Fe-N4	2.023	2.275	2.080	Fe-N8	2.101	2.016	1.937	Co-N5	2.315	2.541	2.425
Fe-N26	2.043	2.272	2.081	Fe-N44	2.187	2.289	2.001	Co-N6	1.909	2.123	1.939
Fe-N27	2.035	2.262	2.081	Fe-N46	2.204	2.289	2.032	Co-N7	1.920	2.120	1.939
Fe-N28	2.023	2.275	2.080	Fe-N47	2.101	2.016	1.937	Co-N10	1.942	2.030	1.927
[Fe ^{II} (L ^{npdtz}) ₂ (NCSe) ₂]				[Fe ^{II} H-ptp) ₂] ⁰				[Cr ^{II} (4,7-Me-indenyl) ₂]			
Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS
Fe-N4	2.203	2.282	2.033	Fe-N30	1.969	2.313	2.012	Cr-C2	2.218	2.288	2.116
Fe-N6	2.161	2.278	2.002	Fe-N32	1.898	2.181	1.928	Cr-C5	2.127	2.297	2.286
Fe-N7	2.137	2.024	1.933	Fe-N36	1.957	2.138	1.960	Cr-C27	2.122	2.298	2.115
Fe-N39	2.203	2.282	2.033	Fe-N37	1.951	2.308	2.012	Cr-C31	2.235	2.288	2.286
Fe-N41	2.161	2.278	2.002	Fe-N39	1.906	2.197	1.928				
Fe-N42	2.137	2.025	1.933	Fe-N43	1.958	2.096	1.960				

[Cr^{II}(1,3-Si-indenyl)₂]				[Mn^{II}(1,3-(tBu)₂Cp)₂]				[Mn^{II}(Me₃SiCp)₂]			
Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS
Cr-C7	2.268	2.319	2.309	Mn-C5	2.071	2.386	2.092	Mn-C3	2.331	2.353	2.093
Cr-C18	2.113	2.320	2.121	Mn-C8	2.164	2.446	2.215	Mn-C24	2.331	2.383	2.093
Cr-C54	2.265	2.359	2.309	Mn-C39	2.071	2.386	2.092				
Cr-C56	2.102	2.409	2.121	Mn-C42	2.164	2.446	2.215				

[Fe^{II}(CH₂OH-tp⁻)₂]⁰				[Fe^{II}(COOCH₃-tp⁻)₂]⁰				[Fe^{II} (L^{Nap})₂ (NCBH₃)₂]			
Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS	Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS	Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS
Fe-N30	1.969	2.318	2.015	Fe-N4	1.955	2.299	2.014	Fe-N3	2.115	2.226	2.033
Fe-N32	1.898	2.169	1.928	Fe-N6	1.902	2.181	1.923	Fe-N4	2.096	2.218	2.000
Fe-N36	1.957	2.130	1.963	Fe-N7	1.942	2.115	1.958	Fe-N6	2.045	2.068	1.934
Fe-N37	1.958	2.321	2.013	Fe-N32	1.955	2.299	2.014	Fe-N41	2.115	2.226	2.033
Fe-N39	1.906	2.174	1.927	Fe-N34	1.902	2.181	1.923	Fe-N42	2.096	2.218	2.000
Fe-N43	1.951	2.115	1.963	Fe-N35	1.942	2.115	1.958	Fe-N44	2.045	2.068	1.934
[Fe^{II}(H₂L¹)₂] (BF₄)₂·x(solv.)				[Co^{II}(L)₂] (ClO₄)₂				[Co^{II}(tppz)₂] (tcm)₂			
Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS	Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS	Bond parameters	X-ray	HS	LS
Fe-N2	2.133	2.217	2.024	Co-S2	2.470	2.518	2.573	Co-N83	2.158	2.166	2.217
Fe-N5	2.089	2.173	1.944	Co-S3	2.472	2.518	2.573	Co-N86	1.936	2.098	1.979
Fe-N6	2.168	2.237	2.002	Co-N8	2.027	2.189	2.035	Co-N87	2.160	2.181	2.217
Fe-N9	2.140	2.217	2.024	Co-N9	2.019	2.188	2.035	Co-N88	1.864	2.088	1.882
Fe-N12	2.082	2.173	1.944	Co-N11	1.981	2.113	1.962	Co-N89	1.978	2.195	1.991
Fe-N13	2.161	2.237	2.002	Co-N12	1.980	2.113	1.962	Co-N93	1.977	2.088	1.991

Table S7: The comparison of optimized and X-ray bond parameters for the 13 complexes, which shows the correct ground state using the B3P86 functional.

[Mn ^{III} (naphth-sal-N-1,5,8,12)]				[Fe ^{III} (bztpen)(OProp)]				[Fe ^{III} (bztpen)(OButn)]			
Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS
Mn-O2	1.865	1.862	1.878	Fe-O71	1.804	1.781	1.785	Fe-O71	1.800	1.775	1.784
Mn-O3	1.861	1.862	1.878	Fe-N72	1.963	2.162	1.978	Fe-N72	1.962	2.158	1.978
Mn-N4	2.093	2.079	1.967	Fe-N73	2.036	2.296	2.059	Fe-N73	2.037	2.295	2.059
Mn-N5	2.231	2.290	2.074	Fe-N74	1.977	2.128	1.981	Fe-N74	1.981	2.133	1.981
Mn-N7	2.252	2.290	2.074	Fe-N75	2.045	2.255	2.061	Fe-N75	2.044	2.256	2.061
Mn-N9	2.096	2.078	1.967	Fe-N76	1.985	2.181	2.000	Fe-N76	1.981	2.183	2.000
[Fe(2amp) ₂] ²⁺				[Fe ^{II} (L ^{OMe-Nap}) ₂ (NCBH ₃) ₂]				[Fe ^{II} (L ^{npdtz}) ₂ (NCSe) ₂]			
Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS
Fe-N2	2.017	2.253	2.046	Fe-N4	2.034	2.239	2.012	Fe-N4	2.203	2.497	2.013
Fe-N3	2.021	2.253	2.046	Fe-N5	1.996	2.236	1.984	Fe-N6	2.161	2.783	1.984
Fe-N4	2.024	2.265	2.048	Fe-N7	1.947	2.045	1.918	Fe-N7	2.137	1.952	1.917
Fe-N5	1.977	2.198	2.000	Fe-N46	2.034	2.239	2.012	Fe-N39	2.203	2.119	2.013
Fe-N6	1.970	2.209	2.002	Fe-N47	1.996	2.236	1.984	Fe-N41	2.161	2.386	1.984
Fe-N7	1.973	2.200	1.995	Fe-N49	1.947	2.045	1.918	Fe-N42	2.137	1.965	1.917
[Fe ^{II} H-tp ⁻] ₂ ⁰				[Co ^{II} (Brphtpy) ₂]				[Fe ^{II} (CH ₂ OH-tp ⁻) ₂] ⁰			
Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS
Fe-N30	1.969	2.290	1.990	Co-N2	1.891	2.063	1.934	Fe-N30	1.969	2.292	1.993
Fe-N32	1.898	2.159	1.911	Co-N3	1.879	2.063	1.869	Fe-N32	1.898	2.175	1.911
Fe-N36	1.957	2.111	1.943	Co-N4	2.093	2.192	2.010	Fe-N36	1.957	2.093	1.945
Fe-N37	1.951	2.292	1.990	Co-N5	2.050	2.165	2.010	Fe-N37	1.958	2.294	1.991
Fe-N39	1.906	2.159	1.911	Co-N6	2.082	2.192	2.194	Fe-N39	1.906	2.158	1.910
Fe-N43	1.958	2.106	1.943	Co-N7	2.050	2.165	2.194	Fe-N43	1.951	2.129	1.945
Fe-N30	1.969	2.290	1.990	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Fe-N30	1.969	2.292	1.993
[Fe ^{II} (COOCH ₃ -tp ⁻) ₂] ⁰				[Co ^{II} (L) ₂](ClO ₄) ₂				[Co ^{II} (tppz) ₂](tcm) ₂			
Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS	Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS
Fe-N4	1.955	2.283	1.991	Co-S2	2.470	2.483	2.527	Co-N83	2.158	2.144	2.191
Fe-N6	1.902	2.173	1.906	Co-S3	2.472	2.483	2.527	Co-N86	1.936	2.055	1.961
Fe-N7	1.942	2.087	1.940	Co-N8	2.027	2.163	2.013	Co-N87	2.160	2.144	2.191
Fe-N32	1.955	2.289	1.991	Co-N9	2.019	2.163	2.013	Co-N88	1.864	2.055	1.870
Fe-N34	1.902	2.160	1.906	Co-N11	1.981	2.094	1.943	Co-N89	1.978	2.144	1.971
Fe-N35	1.942	2.124	1.940	Co-N12	1.980	2.094	1.942	Co-N93	1.977	2.144	1.971

[Cr ^{II} (4,7-Me-indenyl) ₂]			
Bond parameters	Exp	HS	LS
Cr-C2	2.218	2.263	2.256
Cr-C5	2.127	2.277	2.095
Cr-C27	2.122	2.277	2.256
Cr-C31	2.235	2.263	2.095

Table S8: Comparison of bond parameters using TPSSh, B3LYP*, and B3P86 functionals. Here, a negative value shows the expansion of the low-spin state bond length compared to the X-ray bond parameters.

For the comparison of bond parameters, here we have chosen the 13 complexes that predict the correct ground state with TPSSh, B3LYP*, and B3P86 functionals. This represents an average of the difference between the X-ray bond parameters and the low-spin state bond parameters. As it is clear from Table S8 that 9 complexes show the average bond length expansion, whereas the other 3 complexes show the compression in their average bond parameters. As it is observed that the percentage change is less for TPSSh, followed by B3P86 and B3LYP*. So, we can conclude that TPSSh and B3P86 are considerably functional for SCO calculations.

C.No.	Molecular formula	TPSSh	B3LYP*	B3P86
2	[Cr ^{II} (4,7-Me-indenyl) ₂]	0	-0.0252	0
3	[Mn ^{III} (naphth-sal-1,5,8,12)]	0.089	0.074	0.094
8	[Fe ^{III} (bztpen)(OButn)] (PF ₆) ₂	-0.014	-0.0385	-0.0097
9	[Fe ^{III} (bztpen)(OProp)] (PF ₆) ₂	-0.0135	-0.038	-0.009
10	[Fe ^{II} (2amp) ₃] ²⁺	-0.02367	-0.0485	-0.0258
14	[Fe ^{II} (L ^{npdtz}) ₂ (NCSe) ₂]	0.228	0.177	0.195
16	[Fe ^{II} (H-ptp ⁻) ₂] ⁰	-0.005	-0.0268	-0.0081
17	[Fe ^{II} (CH ₂ OH-ptp ⁻) ₂] ⁰	-0.006	-0.028	-0.009
18	[Fe ^{II} (COOCH ₃ -ptp ⁻) ₂] ⁰	-0.01	-0.032	-0.0126
15	[Fe ^{II} (L ^{OMeNap}) ₂ (NCBH ₃) ₂]	0.023	0.0033	0.021
23	[Co ^{II} (L) ₂] (ClO ₄) ₂	-0.0005	-0.0318	-0.0027
25	[Co ^{II} (Brphtpy) ₂]	-0.024	-0.0485	-0.027
26	[Co ^{II} (tppz) ₂] (tcm) ₂	-0.0106	-0.034	-0.0137

Table S9: Spin density values for some of the selected first coordination environment atoms coordinated to the metal center for **(4)**[Mn^{III}(5azo-sal2-323)], **(8)**[Fe^{III}(bztpen)(OButn)], **(12)**[Fe^{II}(L^{npdtz})₂(NCS)₂], **(15)**[Fe^{II}(bpte)(bim)], **(19)**[Fe^{II}(L^{OMe-Nap})₂(NCBH₃)₂], **(21)**[Fe^{II}(bpte)(NCBH₃)₂], and **(25)**[Co^{II}(Brphtpy)₂].

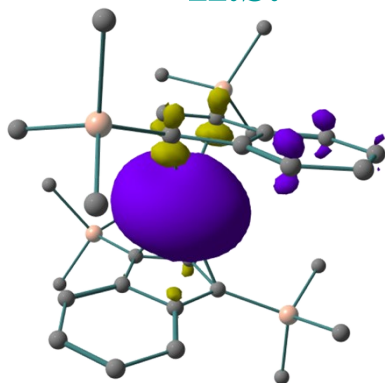
(4)[Mn^{III}(5azo-sal2-323)]			(8)[Fe^{III}(bztpen)(OButn)]		
	HS	LS		HS	LS
Mn1	3.8263	1.999652	Fe1	4.043024	0.846988
O2	0.0044	0.043443	O71	0.457898	0.20382
N3	-0.0080	-0.025432	N72	0.070175	-0.005155
N4	0.0364	-0.028004	N73	0.061692	-0.015037
O42	0.004475	0.043443	N74	0.065859	-0.014858
N43	-0.008087	-0.025432	N75	0.096825	-0.011235
N44	0.036432	-0.028004	N76	0.072056	-0.015113

(12)[Fe^{II}(L^{npdtz})₂(NCS)₂]		(15)[Fe^{II}(bpte)(bim)]		(19)[Fe^{II}(L^{OMe-Nap})₂(NCBH₃)₂]	
HS		HS		HS	
Fe1	3.678413	Fe1	3.716876	Fe1	3.734222
N4	0.02644	S2	0.053373	N4	0.027668
N5	0.019727	N3	0.03525	N5	0.020453
N6	-0.00038	N4	0.02269	N7	0.005334
N7	0.011672	S27	0.053373	N46	0.027663
N39	0.026441	N28	0.03525	N47	0.020456
N40	0.019726	N44	0.02269	N49	0.00532
N42	0.0117	N45	0.003693		

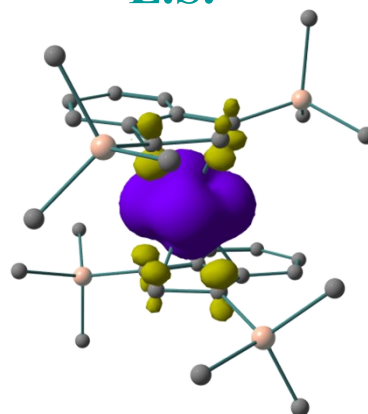
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HS			HS	LS		HS	LS
Fe1	3.717526	Co1	2.68572	0.927329	Co1	2.666807	0.96
S2	0.047889	N2	0.058211	0.000342	N3	0.055652	0.047093
N3	0.013317	N3	0.040996	-0.014282	N4	0.027091	-0.00386
N4	0.028249	N4	0.0328	0.007907	N5	0.043343	0.047098
S25	0.046608	N5	0.060252	0.007927	N6	0.047645	-0.003171
N26	0.026991	N6	0.053638	0.061055	N7	0.050544	-0.003169
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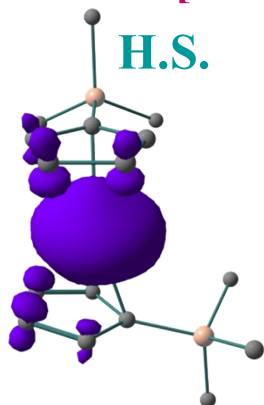
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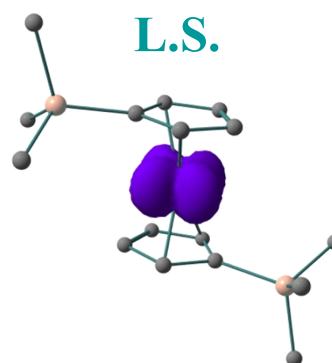
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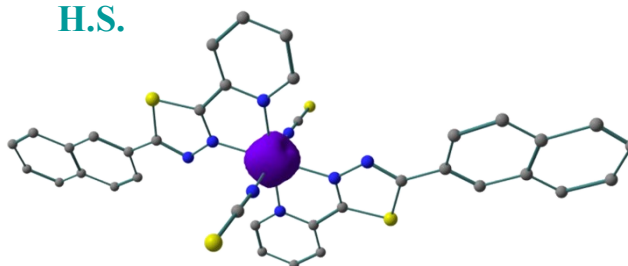
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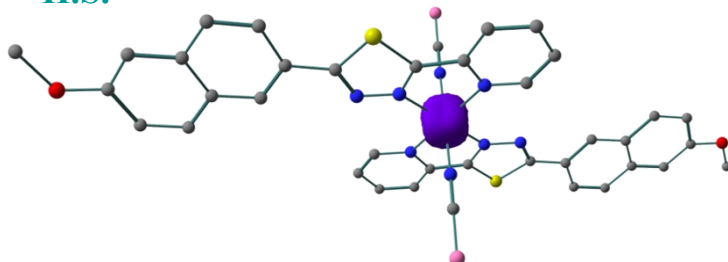
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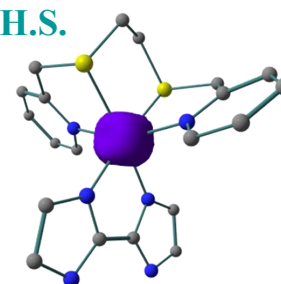
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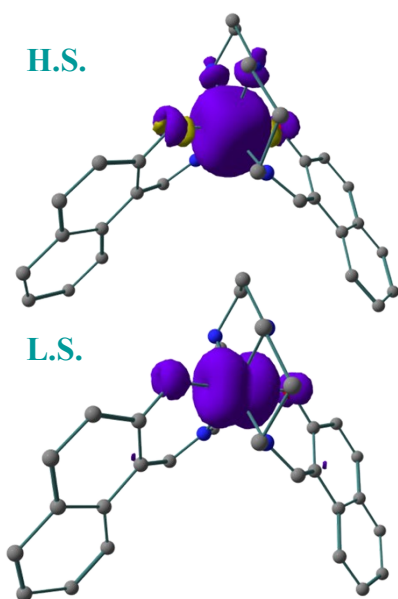
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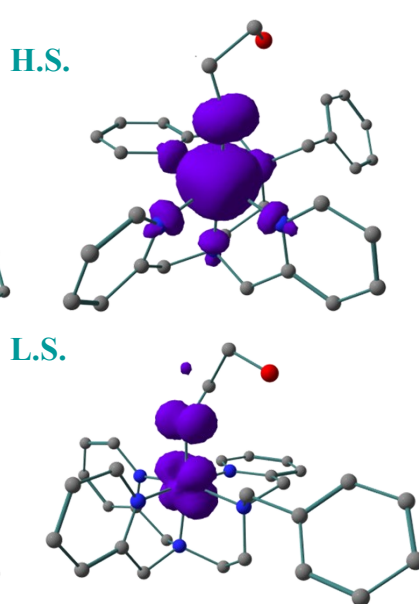
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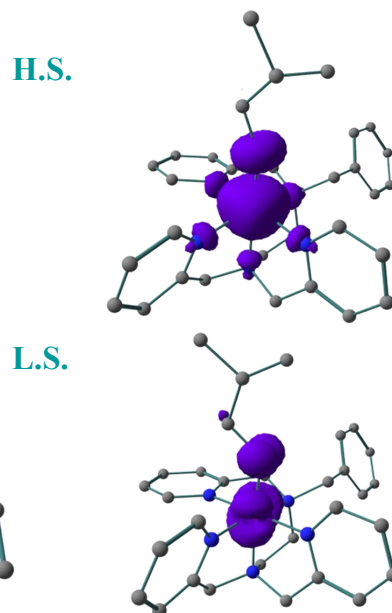
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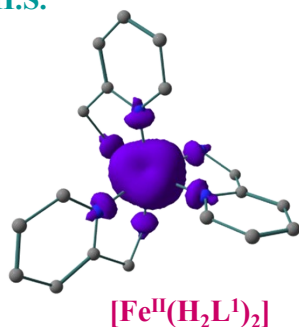
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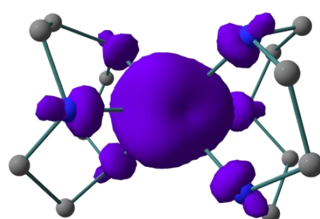
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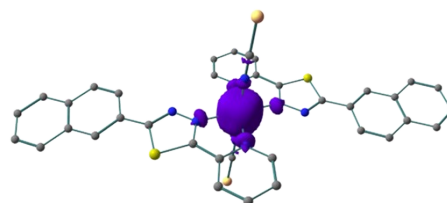
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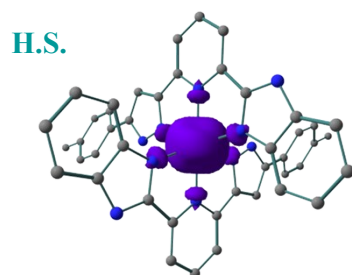
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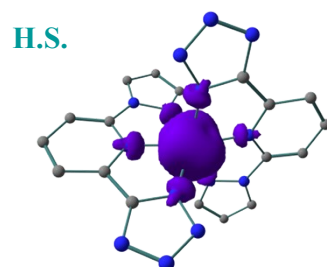
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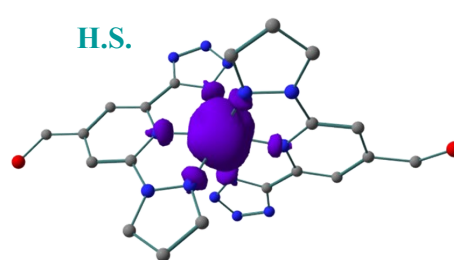
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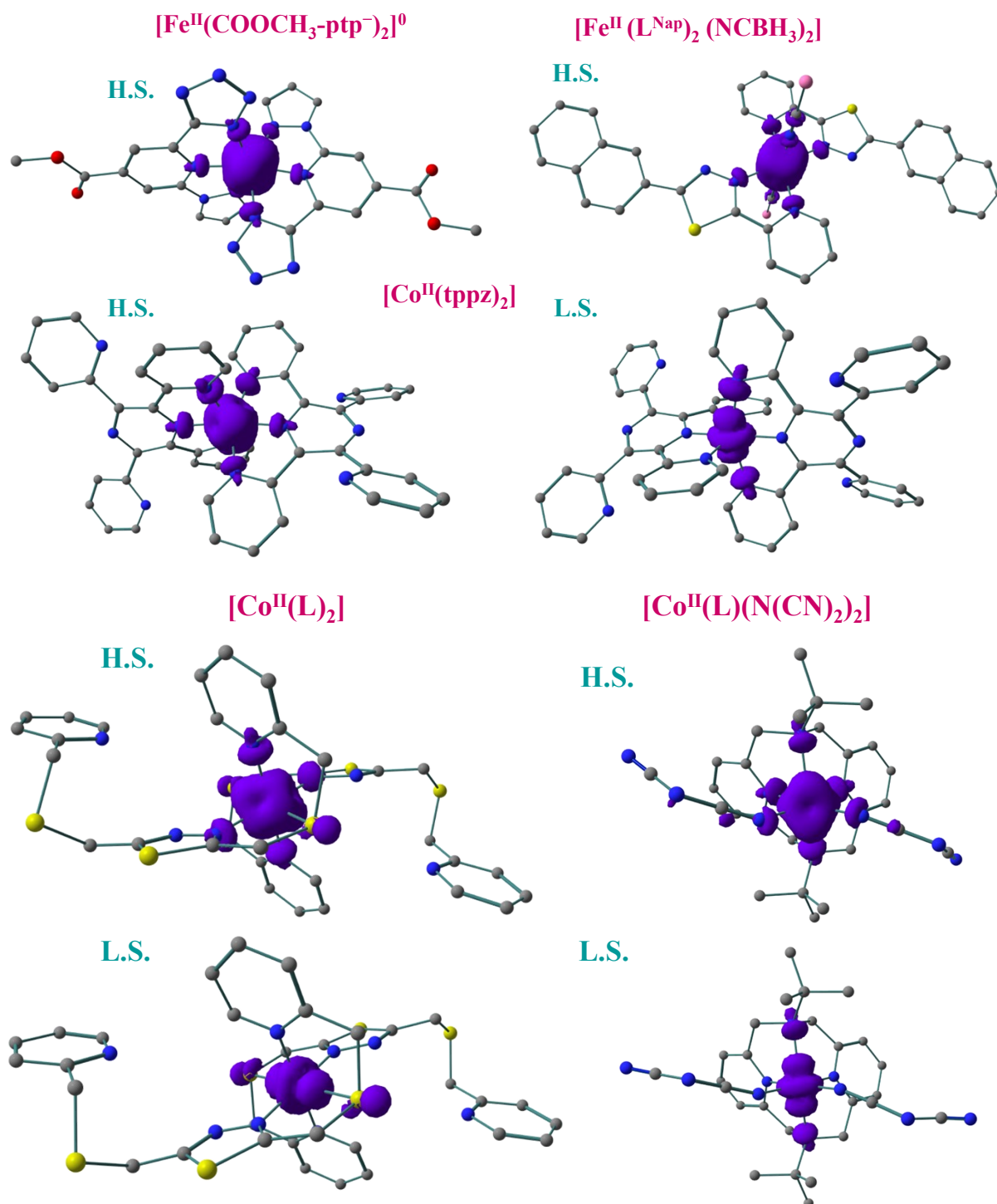
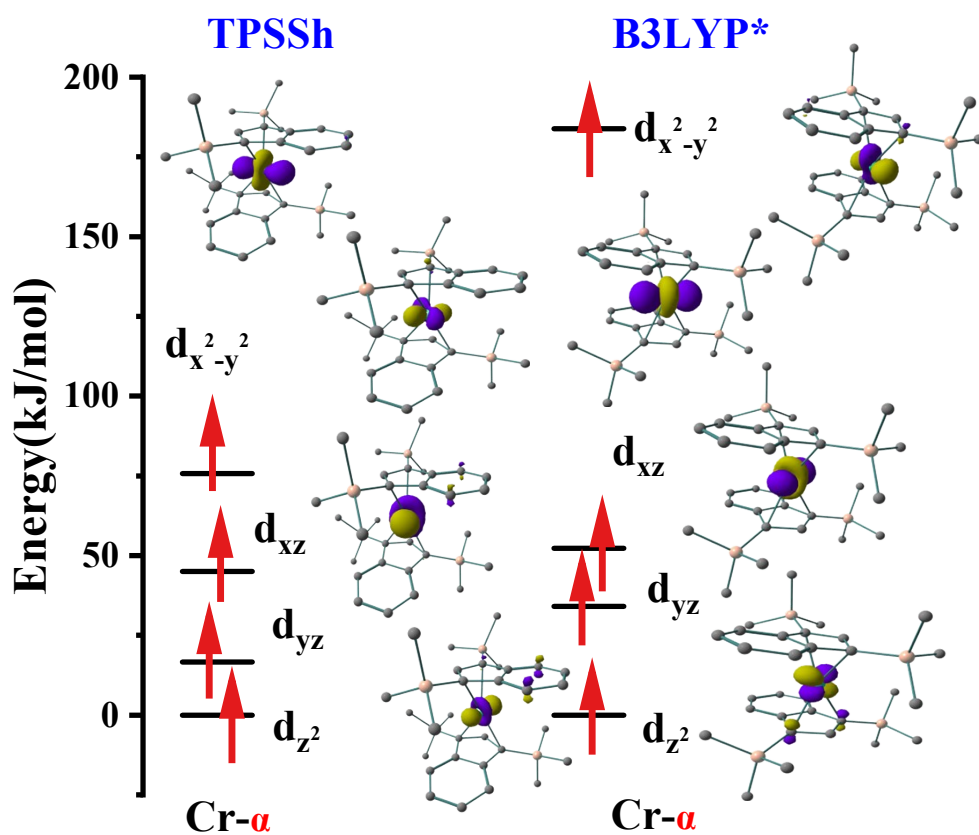
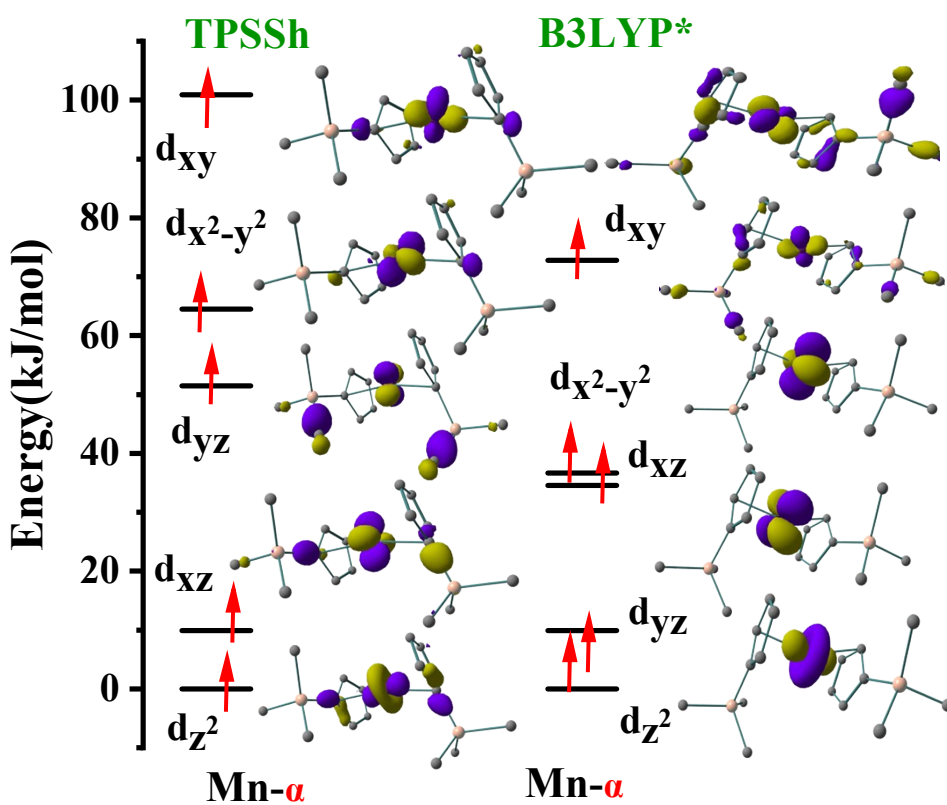


Figure S4: Spin density diagram with TPSSh optimized geometry for ($[\text{Cr}^{\text{II}}(1,3\text{-Si-indenyl})_2]$ (1), $[\text{Mn}^{\text{II}}(\text{Me}_3\text{SiCp})_2]$ (5), $[\text{Mn}^{\text{III}}(\text{naphth-sal})]$ (3), $[\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}(\text{bztpen})(\text{OEtg})]$ (7), $[\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}(\text{bztpen})(\text{OProp})]$ (9), $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(2\text{amp})_3]$ (10), $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\text{tacn})_2]$ (11), $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\text{L}^{\text{OMe-Nap}})_2(\text{NCS})_2]$ (12), $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\text{L}^{\text{npdtz}})_2(\text{NCS})_2]$ (13), $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\text{bpte})(\text{bim})]$ (15), $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\text{L}^{\text{OMe-Nap}})_2(\text{NCBH}_3)_2]$ (19), $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\text{L}^{\text{npdtz}})_2(\text{NCSe})_2]$ (14), $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\text{H-tp}^-)_2]^0$ (16), $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\text{CH}_2\text{OH})\text{ptp}^-]^0$ (17), $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\text{COOCH}_3\text{-ptp}^-)_2]^0$ (18), $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\text{L}^{\text{Nap}})_2(\text{NCBH}_3)_2]$ (20), $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\text{H}_2\text{L}^1)_2]$ (22), $[\text{Co}^{\text{II}}(\text{L})_2]$ (23), $[\text{Co}^{\text{II}}(\text{L})(\text{N}(\text{CN})_2)_2]$ (24) and $[\text{Co}^{\text{II}}(\text{tppz})_2]$ (26).

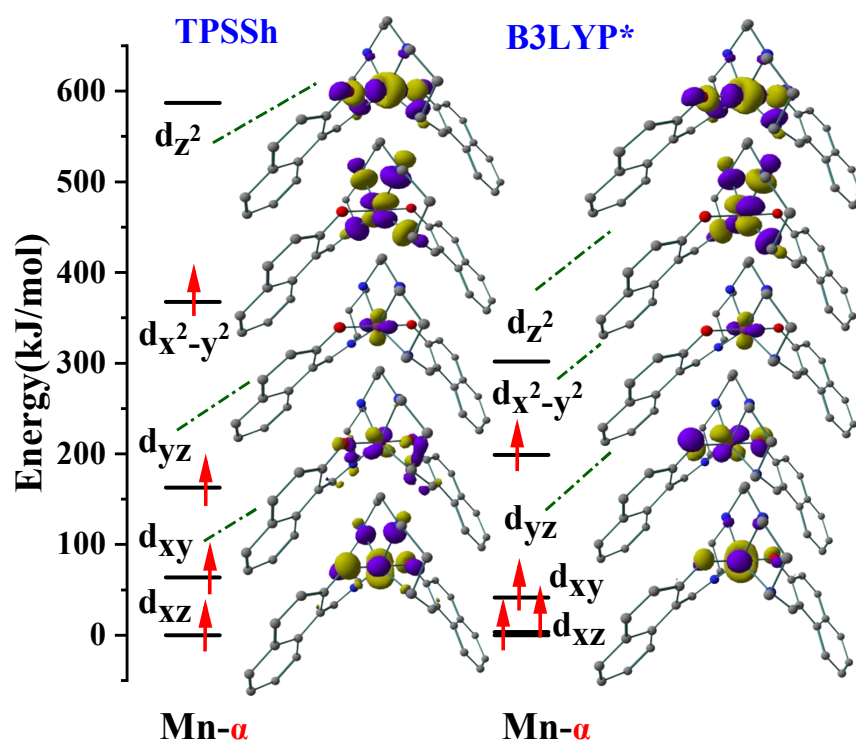
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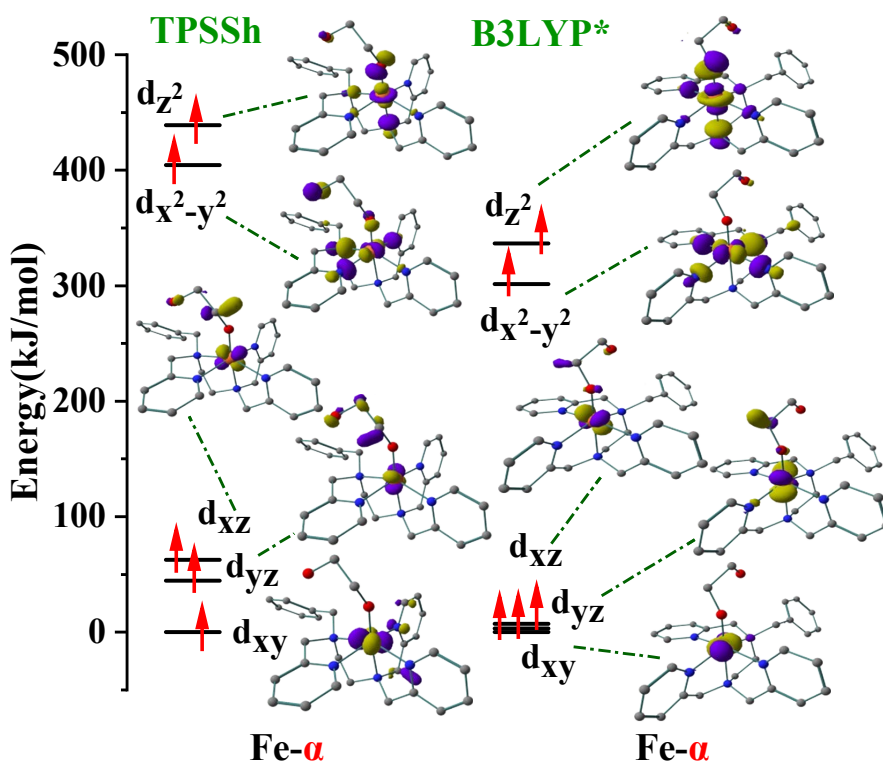
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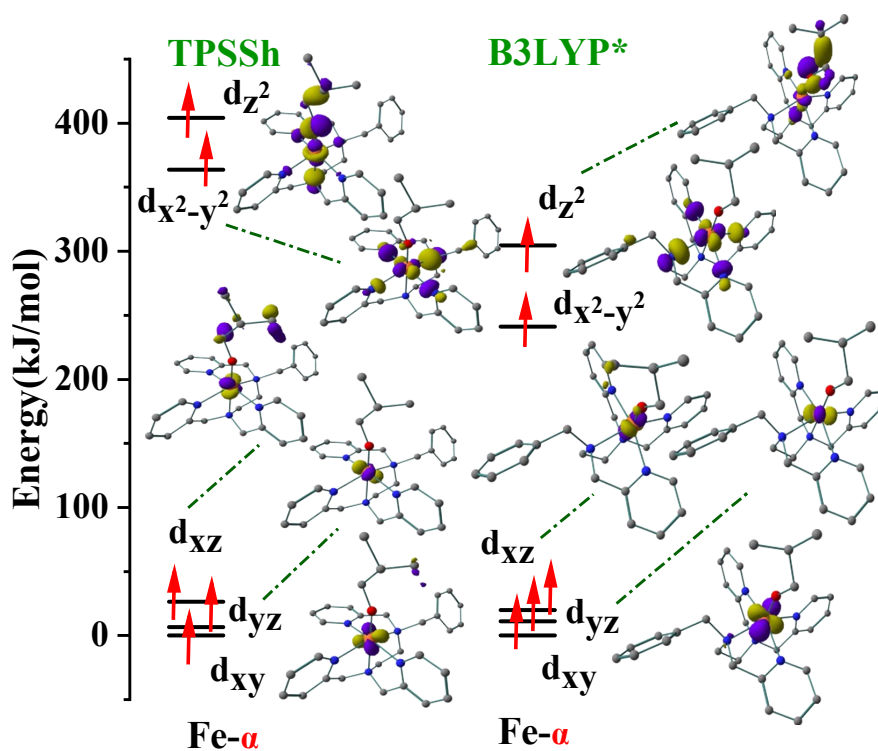
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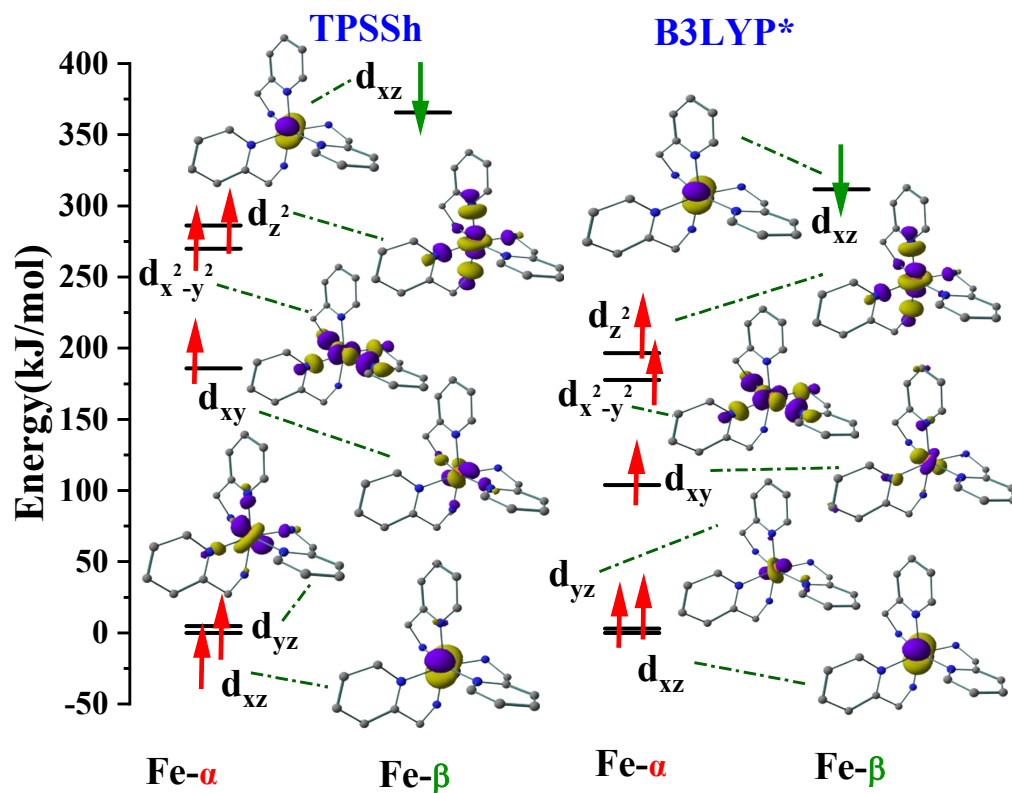
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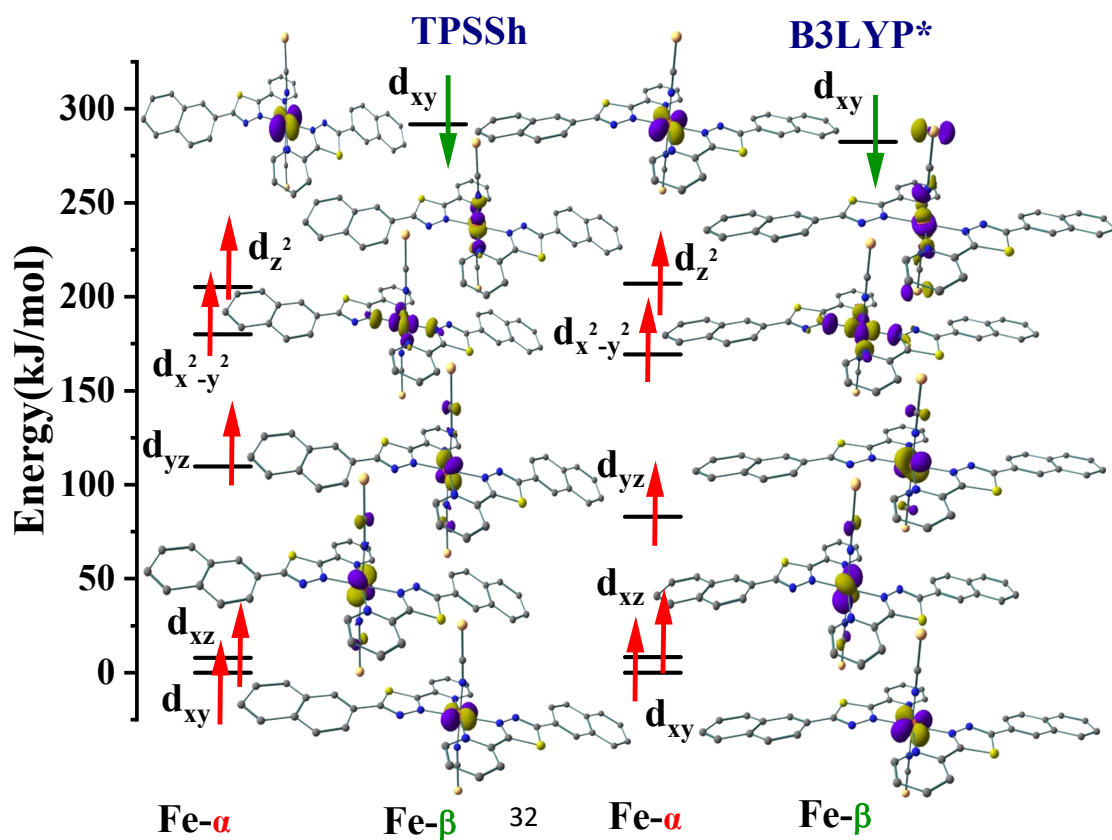
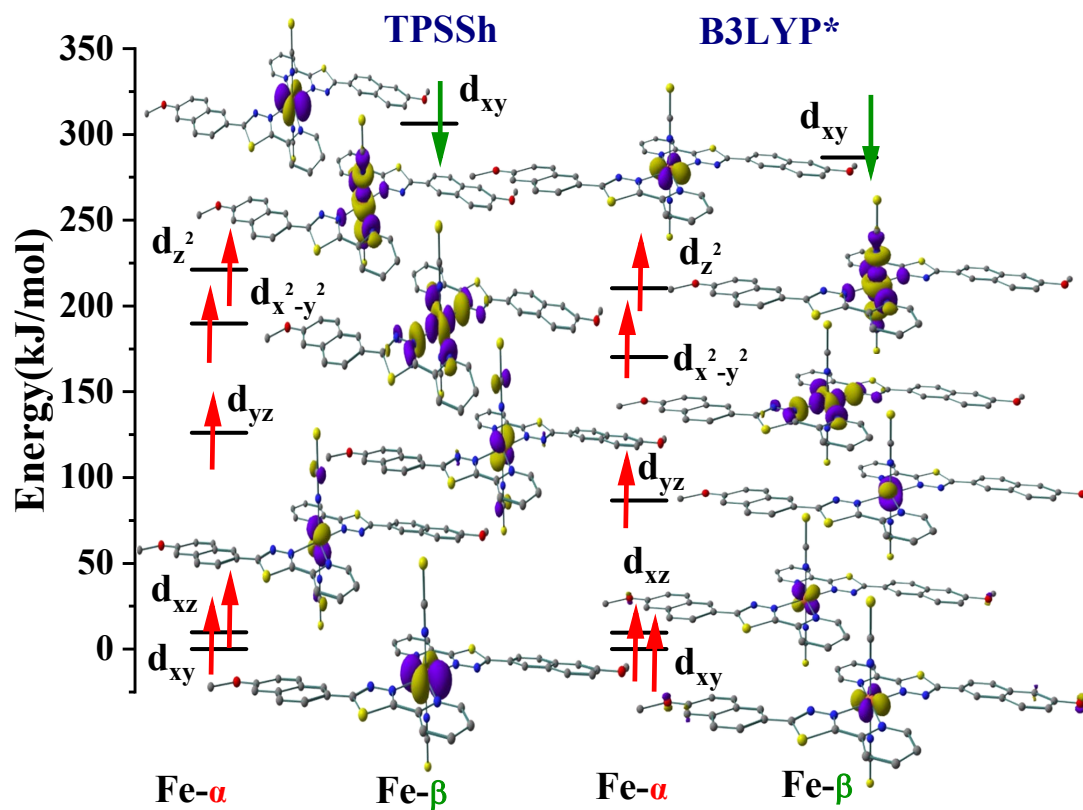


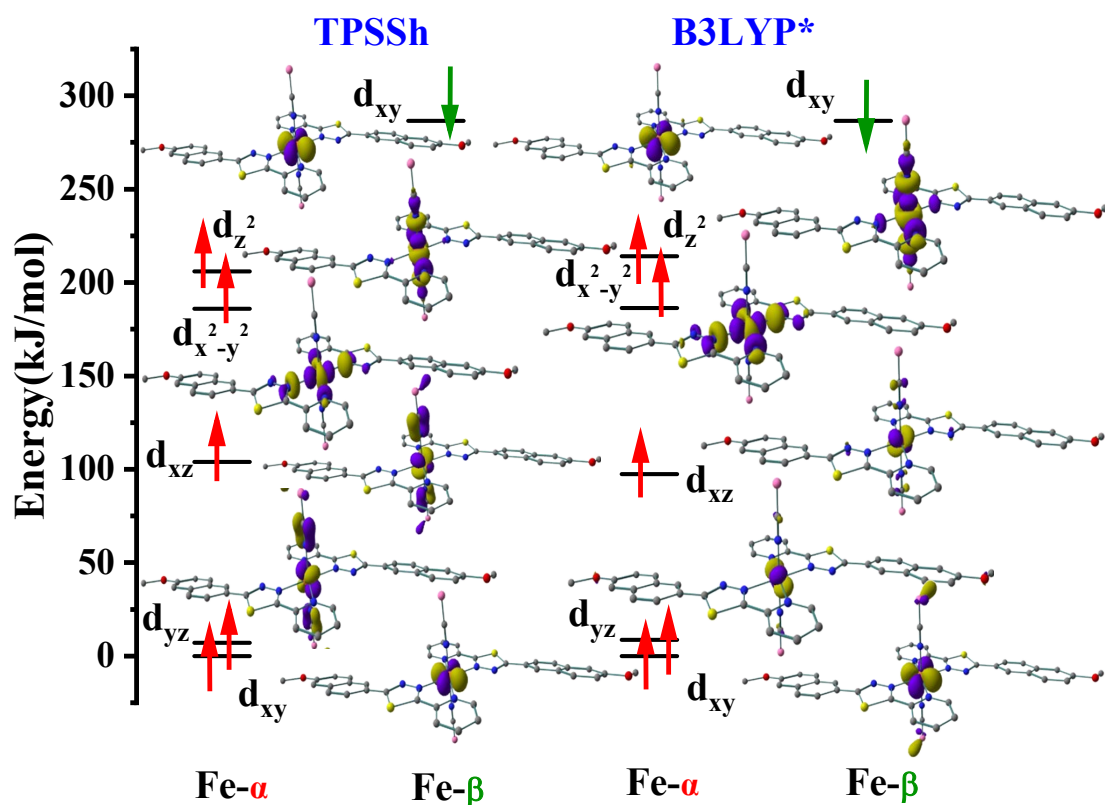
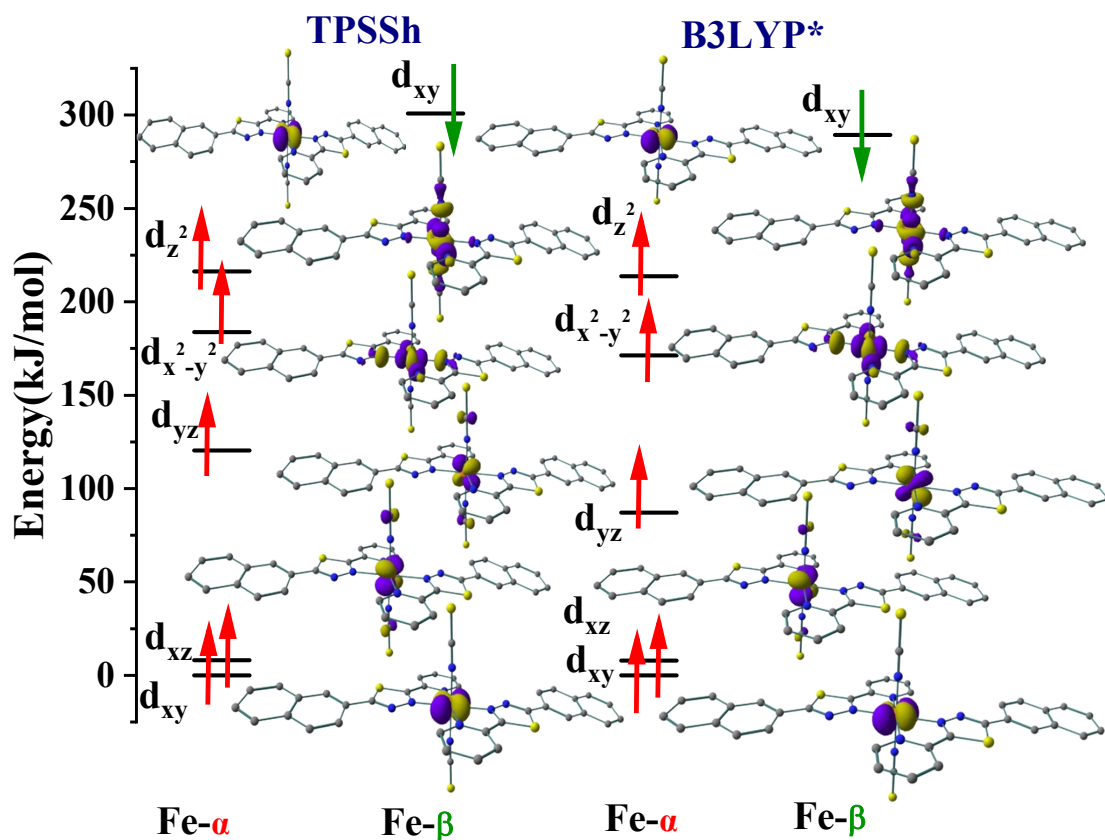
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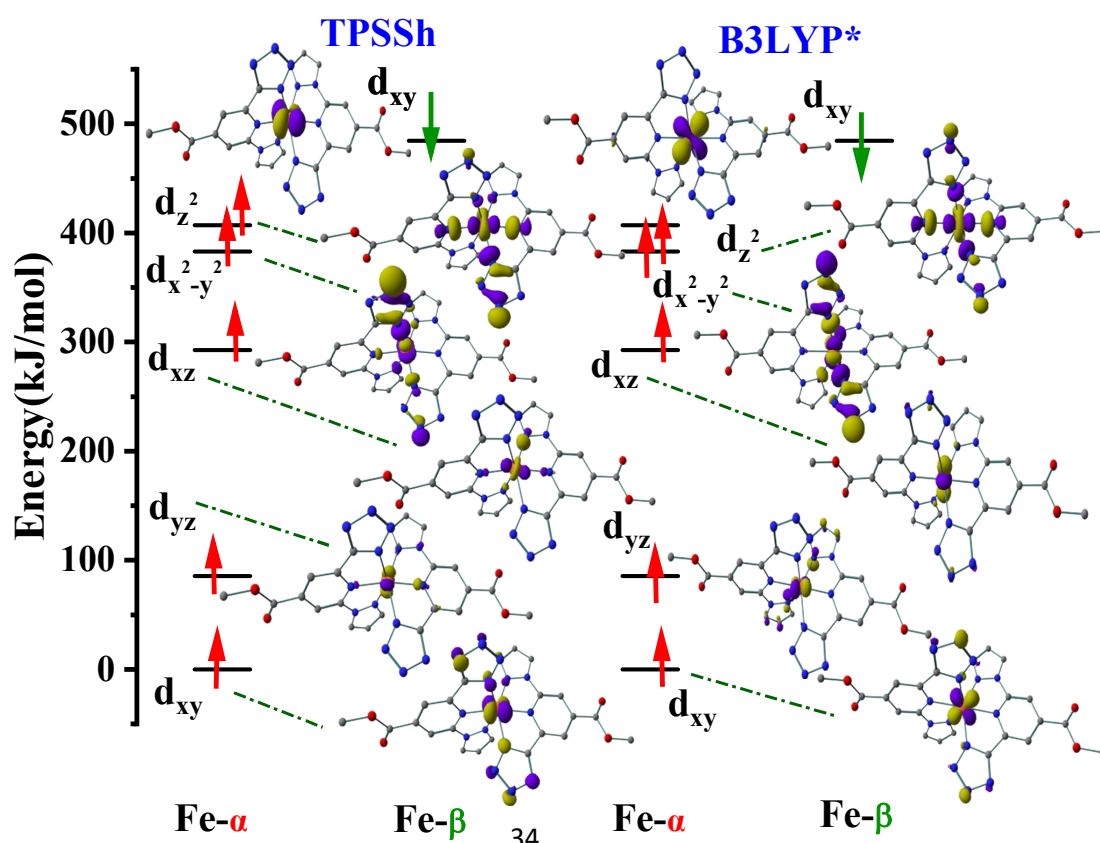
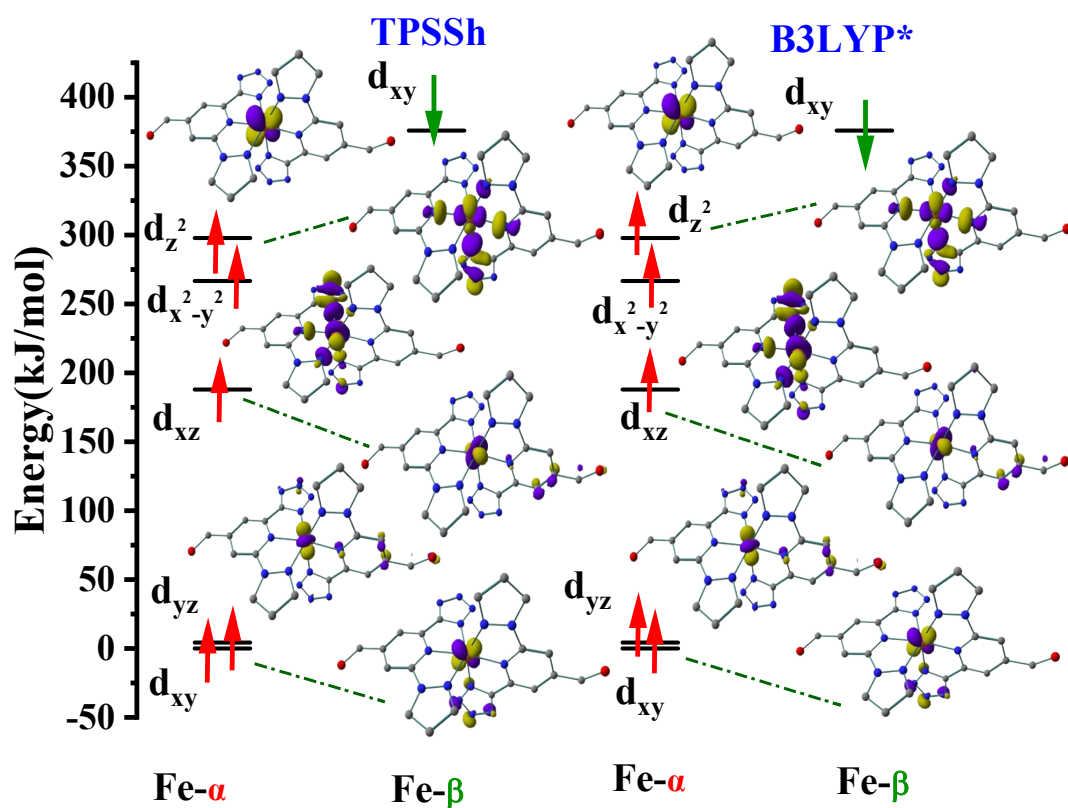


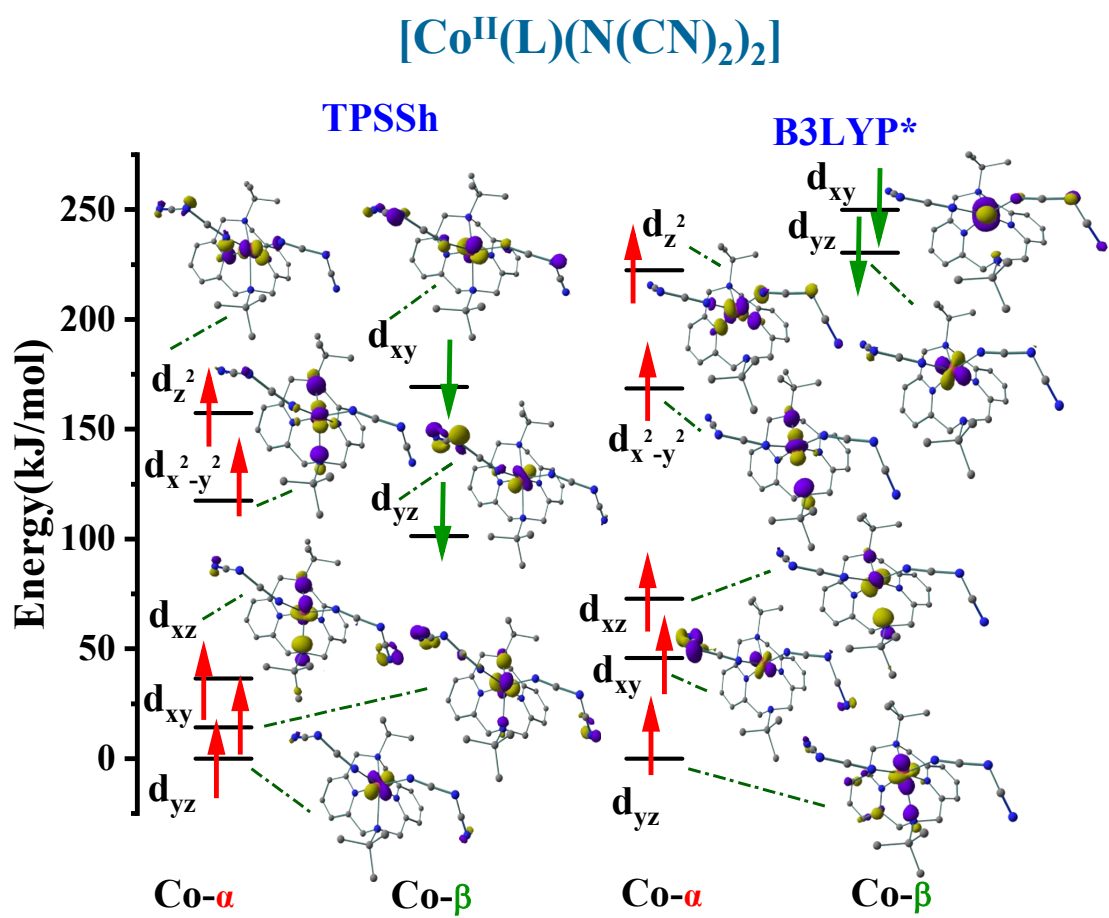
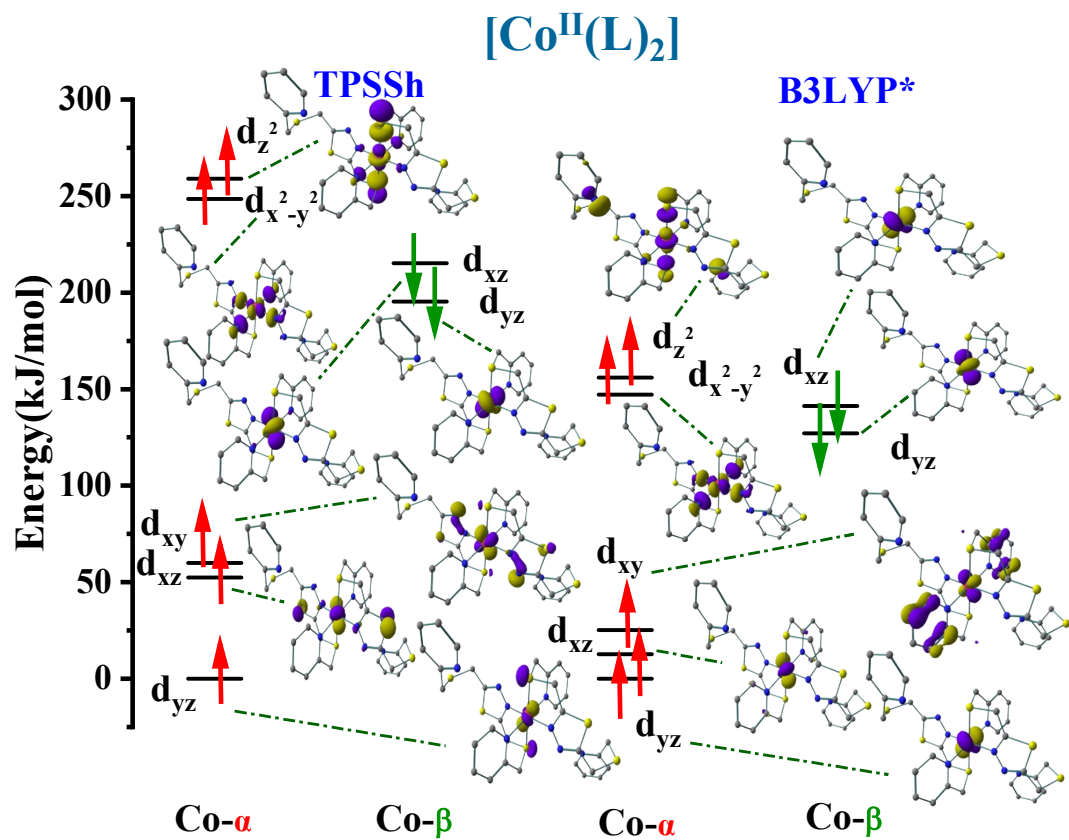
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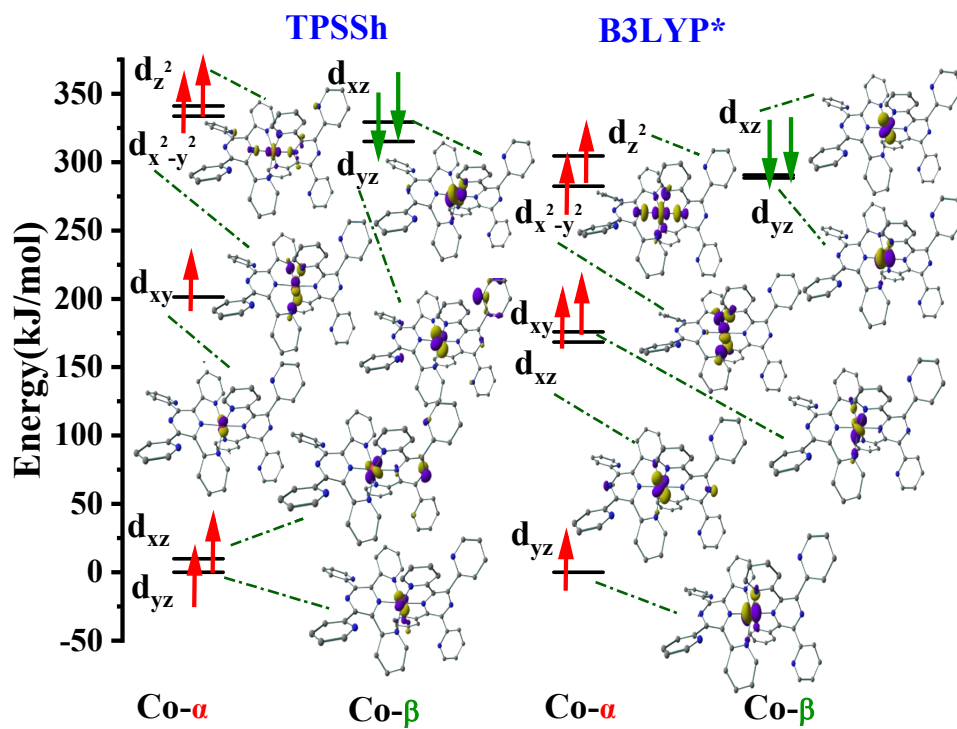
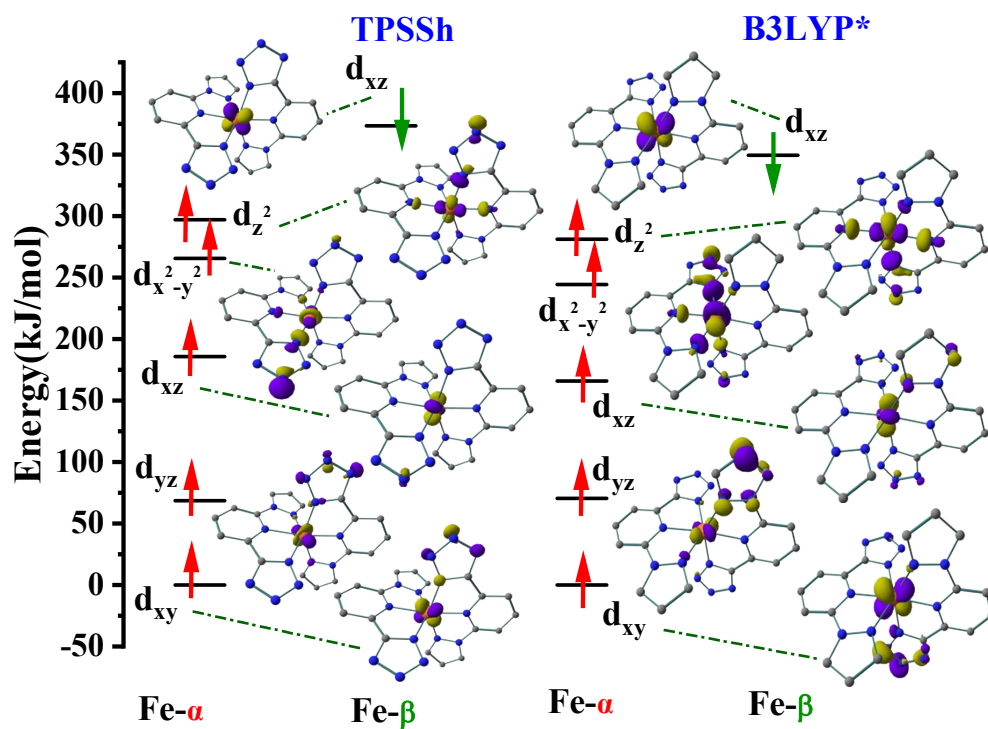












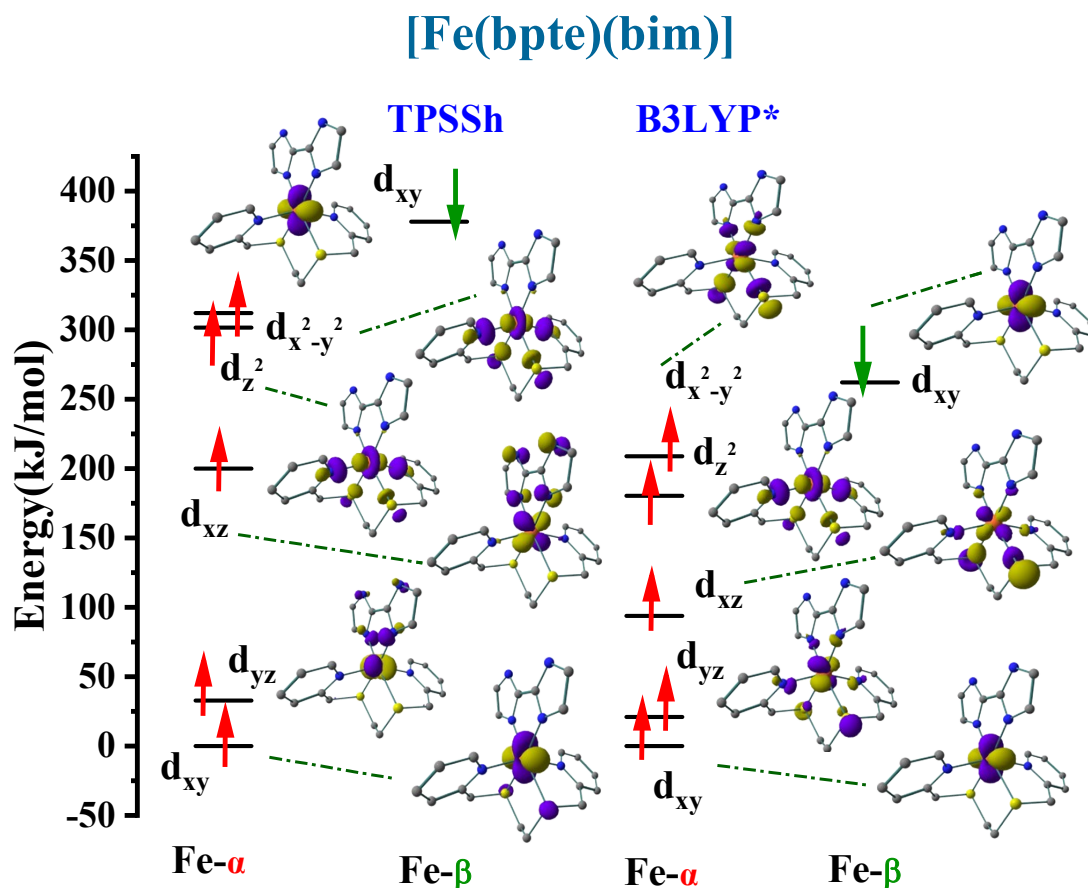


Figure S5: d-based eigenvalue plots for High-spin state computed with TPSSh and B3LYP* hybrid functionals for complexes [Mn^{III}(naphth-sal)] (**3**), [Fe^{III}(bztpen)(OEtg)] (**7**), [Fe^{III}(bztpen)(OProp)] (**9**), [Fe^{II}(2amp)₃] (**10**), [Fe^{II}(tacn)₂] (**11**), [Fe^{II}(L^{OMe-Nap})₂(NCS)₂] (**12**), [Fe^{II}(L^{npdtz})₂(NCSe)₂] (**14**), [Fe^{II}(bpte)(bim)] (**15**), [Fe^{II}(L^{npdtz})₂(NCS)₂] (**9**), [Fe^{II}(L^{OMe-Nap})₂(NCBH₃)₂] (**15**), [Fe^{II}(H-ptp⁻)₂] (**12**), [Fe^{II}(CH₂OH-ptp⁻)₂]⁰ (**13**), [Fe^{II}(COOCH₃-ptp⁻)₂]⁰ (**18**), [Fe^{II}(L^{Nap})₂(NCBH₃)₂] (**20**), [Fe^{II}(H₂L¹)₂] (**22**), [Co^{II}(L)₂] (**23**), [Co^{II}(L)(N(CN)₂)₂] (**24**) and [Co^{II}(tpz)₂] (**26**). Spin-up electrons (α) are represented by the red arrow, while those that are spin-down (β) are represented by the green arrow. The energy has been scaled to the lowest spin-up orbitals for each scenario.