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Curly-curly, loop-loop: homoleptic metal(II) complexes of pyridinecarbaldehyde 4'-(2,2':6',2"-terpyridyl)hydrazones and their coordination polymers

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Electronic absorption spectra for $[Fe(1)_2][PF_6]_2$, $[Fe(2)_2][PF_6]_2$ and $[Fe(3)_2][PF_6]_2$ and their protonated analogues.

 $[Fe(1)_2][PF_6]_2$



 $[Fe(2)_2][PF_6]_2$



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500 MHz ¹H NMR and 125 MHz ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectrosocpic data for $[Fe(H1)_2]^{4+}$, $[Fe(H2)_2]^{4+}$ and $[Fe(H3)_2]^{4+}$.

 $[Fe(H1)_2]^{4+}$: $[Fe(1)_2][PF_6]_2$ in MeCN- d_3 + TFA- d_1

¹H δ / ppm: 11.14 (s, 2H, NH), 8.73 (d, *J* 6.9 Hz, 4H, H^{C2}), 8.66 (s, 4H, H^{B3}), 8.50 (d, *J* 8.0 Hz, 4H, H^{A3}), 8.48 (d, *J* 6.9 Hz, 4H, H^{C3}), 8.35 (s, 2H, N=CH), 7.89 (td, *J* 1.2, 7.8 Hz, 4H, H^{A4}), 7.24 (d, *J* 5.5 Hz, 4H, H^{A6}), 7.09 (ddd, *J* 1.0, 5.7, 7.1 Hz, 4H, H^{A5}). ¹³C{¹H} δ / ppm: 159.0 (C^{A2/B2}), 158.7 (C^{A2/B2}), 154.4 (C^{A6}), 153.0 (C^{C4}), 142.5 (C^{C2}), 139.4 (CA4), 138.3 (C^{CH=N}), 128.2 (C^{A5}), 124.6 (C^{A3}), 124.5 (C^{C3}), 109.3 (C^{B3}).

 $[Fe(H2)_2]^{4+}$: $[Fe(2)_2][PF_6]_2$ in MeCN- d_3 + TFA- d_1

¹H δ / ppm: 10.75 (s, 2H, NH), 9.24 (s, 4H, H^{C2}), 9.14 (d, *J* 8.2 Hz, 2H, H^{C4}), 8.73 (d, *J* 5.7, 2H, H^{C6}), 8.60 (br s, 4H, H^{B3}), 8.48 (d, *J* 7.6 Hz, 4H, H^{A3}), 8.36 (s, 2H, N=CH), 8.16 (dd, *J* 5.8, 8.0 Hz, 2H, H^{C5}), 7.88 (t, *J* 7.6, 4H, H^{A4}), 7.25 (d, *J* 5.2 Hz, 4H, H^{A6}), 7.09 (dd, *J* = 5.8, 6.9 Hz, 4H, H^{A5}). ¹³C{¹H} δ / ppm: 159.2 (C^{A2/B2}), 154.5 (C^{A6}), 153.4 (C^{B4}), 144.7 (C^{C4}), 141.9 (C^{C6}), 140.7

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 (C^{C2}) , 139.4 (C^{A4}) , 137.4 $(C^{CH=N})$, 136.2 (C^{C3}) , 128.8 (C^{C5}) , 128.1 (C^{A5}) , 124.4 (C^{A3}) , 108.8 C^{B3}).

 $[Fe(H3)_2]^{4+}$: $[Fe(3)_2][PF_6]_2$ in MeCN- d_3 + TFA- d_1

¹H δ / ppm: 11.12 (s, 2H, NH), 8.82 (d, J 5.5 Hz, 2H, C^{C6}), 8.70 (br s, 4H, H^{B3}), 8.68 (td, J 1.2, 8.1 Hz, 2H, H^{C4}), 8.48 (d, J 8.0 Hz, 4H, H^{A3}), 8.35 (s, 2H, H^{CH=N}), 8.32 (d, J 8.2 Hz, 2H, H^{C3}), 8.02 (t, J 6.5 Hz, 2H, H^{C5}), 7.91 (t, J 7.3 Hz, 4H, H^{A4}), 7.25 (d, J 5.2 Hz, 4H, H^{A6}), 7.10 (t, J 6.1 Hz, 4H, H^{A5}). ¹³C{¹H} δ / ppm: 159.1 (C^{A2/B2}), 154.5 (C^{A6}), 149.1 (C^{C4}), 142.9 (C^{C6}), 139.6 (C^{A4}), 133.0 (C^{CH=N}), 128.3 (C^{A5}), 127.7 (C^{C3/C5}), 127.6 (C^{C3/C5}), 124.5 (C^{A3}), 109.5 (C^{B3}).