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## Tuning the spin-transition properties of pyrene decorated 2,6-Bispyrazolylpyridine based Fe(II) complexes

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Compound	1
Empirical formula	$C_{54}H_{34}Cl_2FeN_{10}O_8$
Formula weight	1077.66
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	C2/c
<i>a</i> /pm	1518.0(3)
<i>b</i> /pm	836.9(2)
<i>c</i> /pm	3650.5(7)
β/°	100.69(3)
$V/10^{6} \text{ pm}^{3}$	4557(2)
Z	4
$\mu/\mathrm{mm}^{-1}$	0.522
Density/g cm <sup>-3</sup>	1.571
F(000)	2208
Reflections collected	6333
Independent reflections	$3259  [R_{int} = 0.0484]$
Indp. reflections with $F_0 > 4\sigma(F_0)$	2169
Restrains / parameter	0 / 408
GooF on F <sup>2</sup>	0.932
$R_1$ , w $R_2[I > 2\sigma(I)]$	0.0528, 0.1195
$R_1$ , w $R_2$ (all data)	0.0841, 0.1328
Largest difference peak, hole/e Å <sup>-3</sup>	0.282 / -0.471

Table S1: Crystallographic and refinement data of 1



Figure S1. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of 2,6-di(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)-4-(pyren-1-yl)pyridine (L1) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



Figure S2. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of 2,6-di(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)-4-(pyren-1-yl)pyridine (L1) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



**Figure S3**. ESI-TOF mass spectrum of 2,6-di(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)-4-(pyren-1-yl)pyridine (**L1**). Experimental (up) and simulated (down) isotopic distributions for the most intense peak;  $L1+H^+$ ; are shown in the inset.



Figure S4. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of 4-(4'-hydroxymethylphenyl)-2,6-bis(pyrazol-1-yl)pyridine in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



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Figure S6a. MALDI mass spectrum of 4-(4'-hydroxymethylphenyl)-2,6-bis(pyrazol-1-yl)pyridine.



**Figure S6b**. Experimental (up) and simulated (down) isotopic distributions of the most intense peak; M+H<sup>+</sup>.



**Figure S7**. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of 4-(2,6-di(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)pyridin-4-yl)benzyl 4-(pyren-1-yl)butanoate (**L2**) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



**Figure S8**. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of 4-(2,6-di(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)pyridin-4-yl)benzyl 4-(pyren-1-yl)butanoate (L2) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



**Figure S9**. ESI-TOF mass spectrum of 4-(2,6-di(1H-pyrazol-1-yl)pyridin-4-yl)benzyl 4-(pyren-1-yl)butanoate (L2). Experimental (up) and simulated (down) isotopic distributions for the most intense peak; L2+H<sup>+</sup>; are shown in the inset.



**Figure S10**. (a) <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of  $[Fe(L1)_2](ClO_4)_2$  (1) in CD<sub>3</sub>CN. Insets (b) and (c) show enlarged zones of the whole spectrum.



**Figure S11**. ESI-TOF spectrum of  $[Fe(L1)_2](ClO_4)_2$  (1). Experimental (up) and simulated (down) isotopic distributions for the most intense peak;  $M^{2+}$ ; are shown in the inset.



**Figure S12**. FT-IR spectrum of [Fe(L1)<sub>2</sub>](ClO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (1).



**Figure S13**.  $1/\chi_M$  versus *T* plot for [Fe(L1)<sub>2</sub>](ClO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (1).



**Figure S14**. (a) <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of  $[Fe(L2)_2](ClO_4)_2$  (2) in CD<sub>3</sub>CN. Insets (b) and (c) show enlarged zones of the whole spectrum.



**Figure S15**. ESI-TOF spectrum of  $[Fe(L2)_2](ClO_4)_2$  (2). Experimental (up) and simulated (down) isotopic distributions for the most intense peak;  $M^{2+}$ ; are shown in the inset.



**Figure S16**. FT-IR spectrum of  $[Fe(L2)_2](ClO_4)_2$  (2).



**Figure S17**. (a) <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of  $[Fe(L2)_2](BF_4)_2 \cdot CH_3CN \cdot H_2O$  (3) in CD<sub>3</sub>CN. Insets (b) and (c) show enlarged zones of the whole spectrum.



**Figure S18**. ESI-TOF spectrum of  $[Fe(L2)_2](BF_4)_2 \cdot CH_3 CN \cdot H_2O$  (3). Experimental (up) and simulated (down) isotopic distributions for the most intense peak;  $M^{2+}$ ; are shown in the inset.



**Figure S19**. Emission spectra of compound **3** (polycrystalline) excited at 270 nm at different temperatures. The half-bandwidths of the excitation and emission monochromators corresponded to 4 nm



**Figure S20.** Normalized emission intensity of polycrystalline pyrene butyric acid as a function of the temperature. The excitation and emission wavelengths are 300 and 528 nm, respectively.