

Supporting Information

Layered transition metal carboxylates: Synthesis, structural aspects and observation of multi-step magnetic transition through phase diagram

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Table S1. Bond distances (\AA) and angles ($^\circ$) of the compounds **1** and **2**

| Compound 1 | | | |
|-------------------|----------|-------------|------------|
| Co1-O1 | 2.059(2) | O1-Co1-O3 | 81.52(10) |
| Co1-O3 | 2.082(3) | O3-Co1-O7 | 168.23(11) |
| Co1-O3 | 2.058(3) | O3-Co1-O4 | 100.69(10) |
| Co1-O4 | 2.059(3) | O1-Co1-O3 | 99.09(10) |
| Co1-O6 | 2.134(3) | O3-Co1-O3 | 100.40(6) |
| Co1-O7 | 2.121(3) | O4-Co1-O3 | 80.25(10) |
| Co2-O2 | 2.024(2) | O1-Co1-O4 | 177.76(10) |
| Co2-O9 | 2.039(3) | O1-Co1-O7 | 89.17(11) |
| Co2-O10 | 2.236(3) | O4-Co1-O7 | 88.67(12) |
| O2-C1 | 1.261(4) | O1-Co1-O6 | 89.70(10) |
| O1-C1 | 1.257(4) | O3-Co1-O6 | 88.20(10) |
| O9-C3 | 1.270(4) | O4-Co1-O6 | 90.68(10) |
| O4-C3 | 1.252(4) | O2-Co2-O9 | 90.21(10) |
| O3-C2 | 1.409(4) | O2-Co2-O10 | 88.67(10) |
| C3-O4 | 1.252(4) | O9-Co2-O10 | 82.82(10) |
| Compound 2 | | | |
| Ni1-O1 | 2.139(3) | O2 -Ni1-O1 | 85.45(14) |
| Ni1-O2 | 2.121(3) | O3-Ni1-O1 | 88.62(13) |
| Ni1-O3 | 2.100(3) | O3-Ni1-O3 | 98.51(8) |
| Ni1-O3 | 2.079(3) | O6-Ni1-O2 | 90.45(14) |
| Ni1-O6 | 2.025(3) | O6-Ni1-O3 | 97.42(13) |
| Ni1-O9 | 2.025(3) | O9-Ni1-O3 | 81.39(13) |
| Ni2-O7 | 2.027(3) | O9-Ni1-O6 | 177.04(13) |
| Ni2-O10 | 2.041(3) | O7-Ni2-O7 | 179.999(1) |
| Ni2-O11 | 2.201(4) | O7-Ni2-O10 | 88.29(13) |
| O3-C4 | 1.420(5) | O7-Ni2-O11 | 91.69(14) |
| C5-O6 | 1.277(5) | O10-Ni2-O10 | 180.0 |
| C5-O7 | 1.268(5) | O10-Ni2-O11 | 96.38(15) |
| C8-O9 | 1.270(5) | C4-O3-Ni1 | 111.2(2) |
| C8-O10 | 1.278(5) | Ni1-O3-Ni1 | 126.74(15) |

Table S2. Hydrogen bond dimensions of compound **1**

| D-H···A | H···A/ Å | D···A/ Å | D-H···A/° |
|---|----------|----------|-----------|
| O(1)-H(1A)...O(11) [1- <i>x</i> , <i>y</i> - <i>I</i> /2,- <i>z</i> + <i>I</i> /2] | 2.10(2) | 2.928(3) | 176(3) |
| O(1)-H(1B)...O(2)[- <i>x</i> +2,- <i>y</i> ,- <i>z</i> + <i>I</i>] | 2.13(2) | 2.948(3) | 170(3) |
| O(2)-H(2A)...O(3)[- <i>x</i> +2, <i>y</i> - <i>I</i> /2,- <i>z</i> + <i>I</i> /2] | 1.86(3) | 2.687(3) | 174(3) |
| O(2)-H(2B)...O(100)[<i>x</i> , <i>y</i> - <i>I</i> , <i>z</i>] | 2.11(2) | 2.915(3) | 162(2) |
| O(100)-H(10A)...O(7)[- <i>x</i> + <i>I</i> , <i>y</i> + <i>I</i> /2,- <i>z</i> + <i>I</i> /2] | 2.04(3) | 2.854(3) | 176(3) |
| O(100)-H(10B)...O(6) | 2.06(2) | 2.857(3) | 161(3) |
| O(11)-H(11A)...O(10)[- <i>x</i> + <i>I</i> ,- <i>y</i> - <i>I</i> ,- <i>z</i>] | 1.95(2) | 2.773(3) | 171(3) |
| O(11)-H(11B)...O(100)[<i>x</i> , <i>y</i> - <i>I</i> , <i>z</i>] | 2.40(3) | 3.214(3) | 166 (3) |

Table S3. Hydrogen bond dimensions of Compound **2**

| D-H···A | H···A/ Å | D···A/ Å | D-H···A/° |
|---|----------|----------|-----------|
| O(1)-H(1A)...O(11) [<i>x</i> ,- <i>y</i> + <i>I</i> /2, <i>z</i> - <i>I</i> /2] | 2.21(2) | 3.026(6) | 167(4) |
| O(1)-H(1B)...O(2)[- <i>x</i> ,- <i>y</i> ,- <i>z</i> + <i>I</i>] | 2.17(3) | 2.987(5) | 168(4) |
| O(2)-H(2A)...O(3)[- <i>x</i> , <i>y</i> - <i>I</i> /2,- <i>z</i> + <i>3</i> /2] | 1.87(5) | 2.684(5) | 165(5) |
| O(2)-H(2B)...O(100)[- <i>x</i> + <i>I</i> , <i>y</i> - <i>I</i> /2,- <i>z</i> + <i>3</i> /2] | 2.18(3) | 2.993(5) | 168(4) |
| O(100)-H(10A)...O(7) | 2.13(6) | 2.921(6) | 160(5) |
| O(100)-H(10B)...O(6)[- <i>x</i> + <i>I</i> , <i>y</i> - <i>I</i> /2,- <i>z</i> + <i>3</i> /2] | 2.08(4) | 2.909(5) | 173(6) |
| O(11)-H(11A)...O(10)[<i>x</i> , <i>y</i> + <i>I</i> , <i>z</i>] | 2.01(3) | 2.834(5) | 176(5) |
| O(11)-H(11B)...O(100)[<i>x</i> ,- <i>y</i> + <i>I</i> /2, <i>z</i> + <i>I</i> /2] | 2.28(3) | 3.098(6) | 172 (4) |

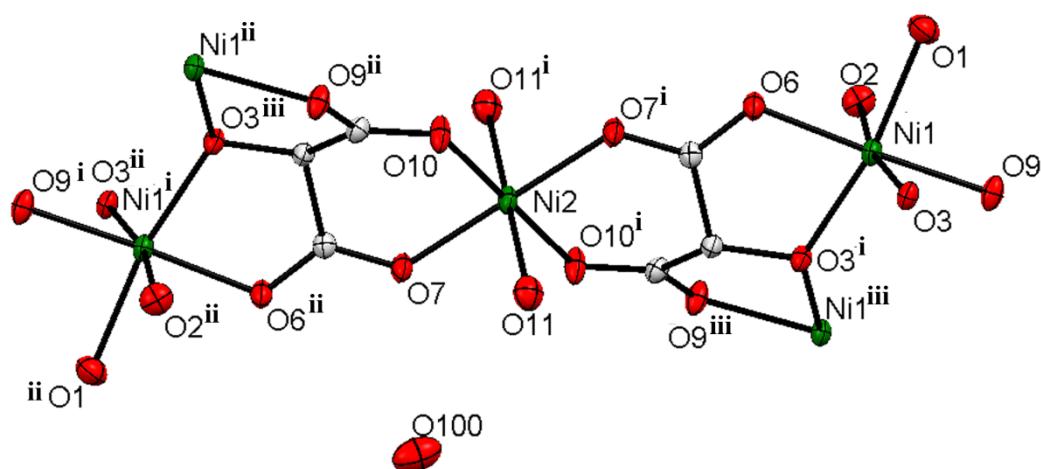


Figure S1. ORTEP diagrams of compounds **2** with 40% ellipsoid probability, [symmetry codes: i= 1-x, -y, 2-z; ii = -x, -1/2+y, 3/2-z, iii = 1+x, 1/2-y, 1/2+z].

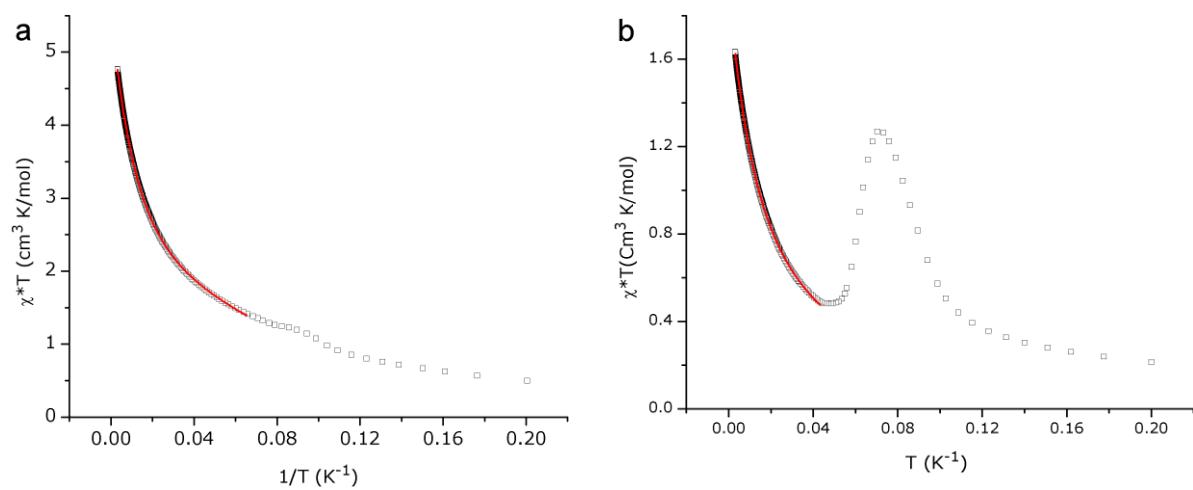


Figure S2. The best fit to the χT experimental data above 15 K using the $\chi T = A \exp(E_1/kT) + B \exp(E_2/kT)$ phenomenological model for **1** (a) and **2** (b). The analysis was performed to the data plotted as χT vs $1/T$.

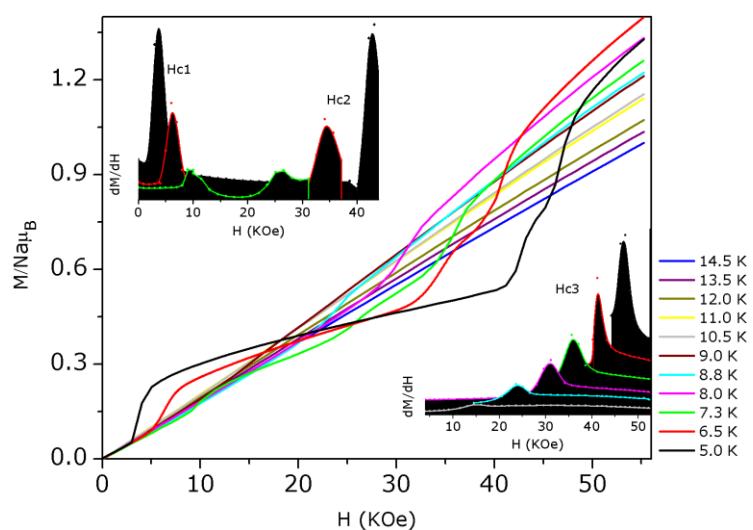


Figure S3. Isothermal magnetization data measured from 5 up to 14.5 K. Only the first quadrant is shown. Insets depict the dM/dH curves evidencing the critical fields.

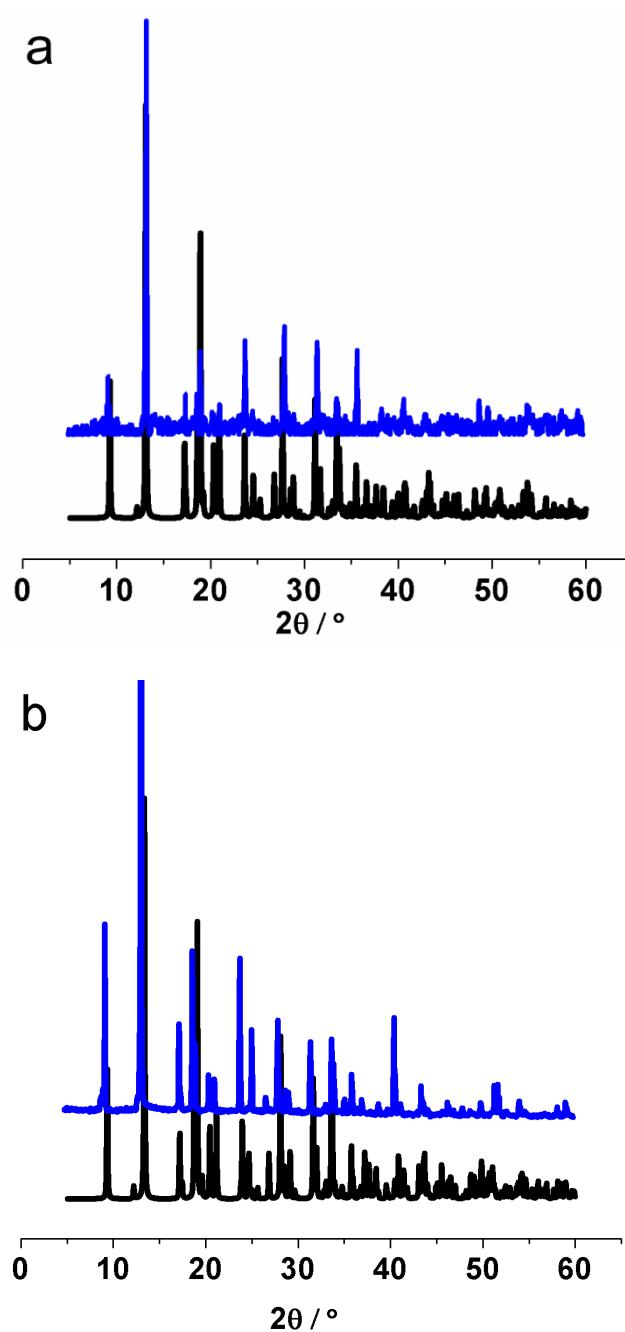


Figure S4. Experimental (blue) and simulated (black) powder X-ray patterns of **1** (a) and **2** (b).