

## Supporting Information

### “Photosensitizing activity of ferrocenyl bearing Ni(II) and Cu(II) dithiocarbamates in dye sensitized TiO<sub>2</sub> solar cells”

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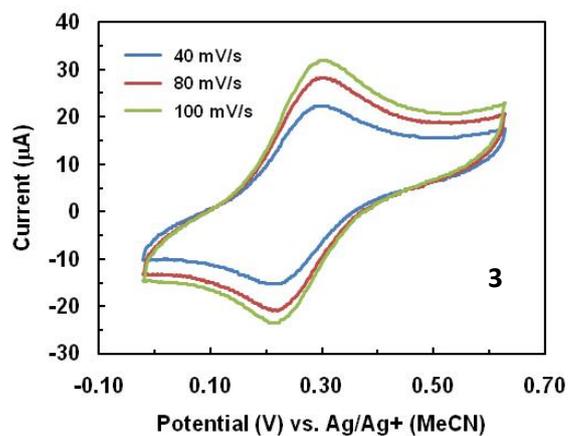
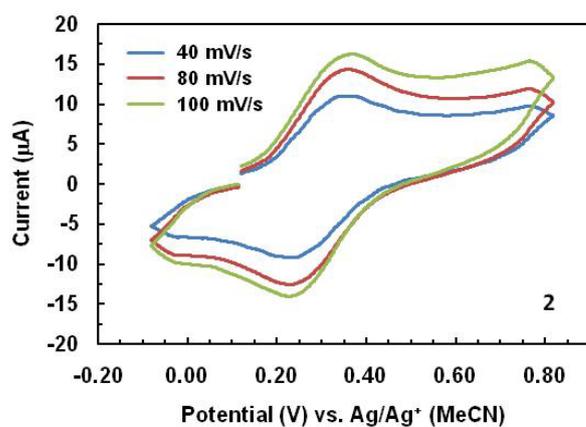
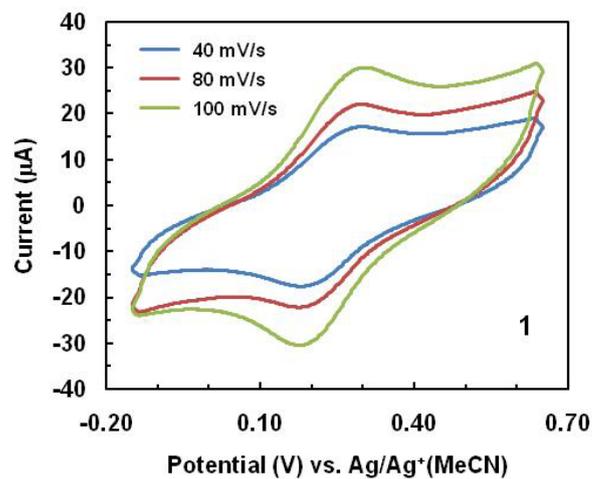
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**Table S1. Crystallographic Data and Structure Refinement Details for 1, 2, and 4.**

	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>
Formula	C <sub>34</sub> H <sub>32</sub> CuFe <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>40</sub> H <sub>36</sub> CuFe <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> S <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>34</sub> H <sub>32</sub> NiFe <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> S <sub>4</sub>
Crystal System	Tetragonal	Triclinic	Tetragonal
Space Group	P4 <sub>2</sub> /n	P-1	P4 <sub>2</sub> /n
Formula weight	804.10	912.19	799.27
Temperature(K)	293(2)	298(2)	293(2)
Z	4	1	4
a/(Å)	23.6577(12)	7.5963(13)	23.414(4)
b/(Å)	23.6577(12)	11.2271(8)	23.414(4)
c/ (Å)	5.8825(4)	11.6787(19)	5.832(1)
α /deg	(90)	84.763(9)	(90)
β/ deg	(90)	77.404 (15)	(90)
γ/deg	(90)	85.766(9)	(90)
V(Å <sup>3</sup> )	3292.4(4)	966.5 (2)	3197(1)
D <sub>a</sub> (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	1.622	1.567	1.660
Crystal size (mm <sup>3</sup> )	0.45 x 0.38x 0.30	0.45x 0.40 x 0.38	0.45 x 0.38 x 0.35
F(000)	1644	467	1640
Reflections collected	8002	7101	19350
Unique reflections	3646 R(int) = 0.1000]	4220 [R(int) = 0.026]	3676 [R <sub>int</sub> = 0.1219]
μ (Mo Kα),	1.798	1.546	1.776
Final R indices R [I > 2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.0787, wR2 = 0.0830	R1 = 0.0445, wR2 = 0.0819	R1 = 0.0706, wR2 = 0.1589
R indices [all data]	R1 = 0.2152, wR2 = 0.1097	R1 = 0.074, wR2 = 0.0927	R1 = 0.1403, wR2 = 0.1885
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	0.907	1.007	0.994
largest peak difference and hole /e Å <sup>-3</sup>	0.423 and -0.403	0.283 and -0.366	0.860 and -0.498
$R_1 = \frac{\sum   F_0  -  F_c  }{\sum  F_0 } \cdot R_2 = \left\{ \frac{\sum w (F_0^2 - F_c^2)}{\sum w (F_0^2)^2} \right\}^{1/2}, w = 1 / [\sigma^2 (F_0^2) + (xP)^2], \text{ where } P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$			

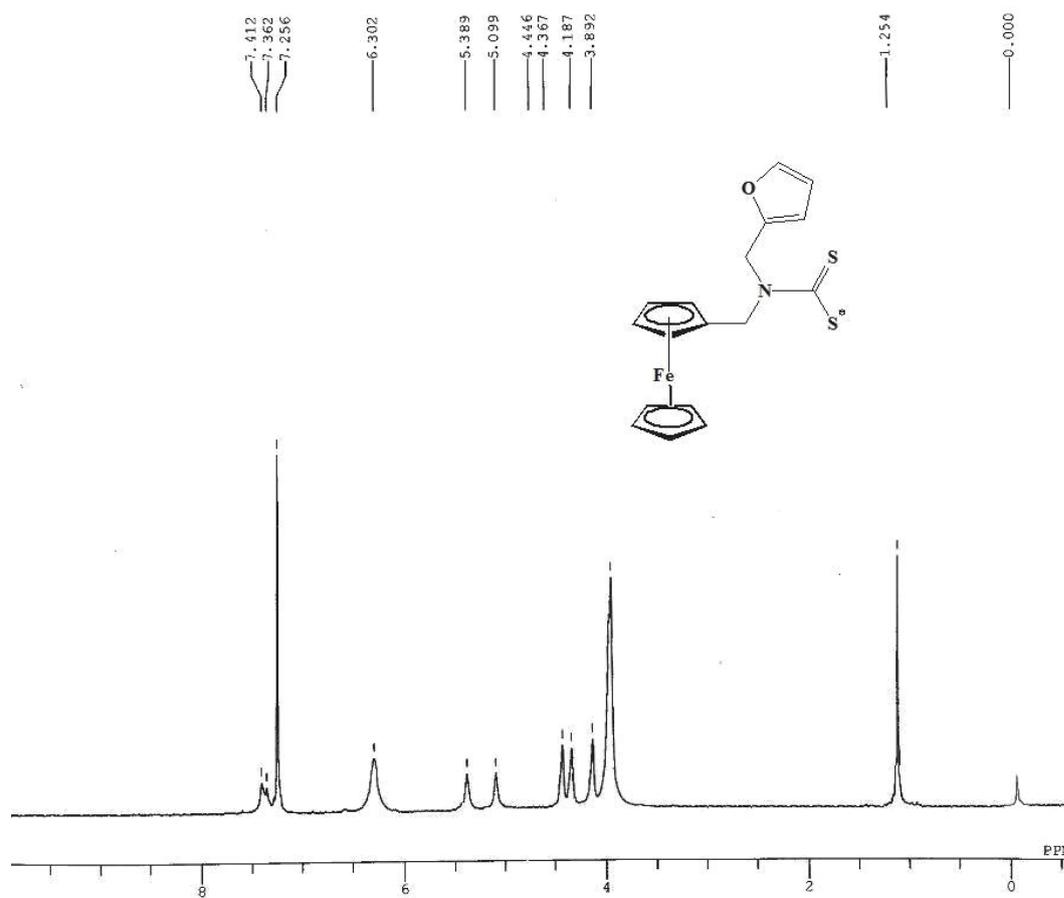


**Fig. S1.** Cyclic voltammograms of the compounds **1**, **2** and **3** recorded at different scan rates (40-100mV/s) in  $10^{-3}$  M dichloromethane solution (0.1 M  $\text{Bu}_4\text{NClO}_4$  was used as supporting electrolyte).

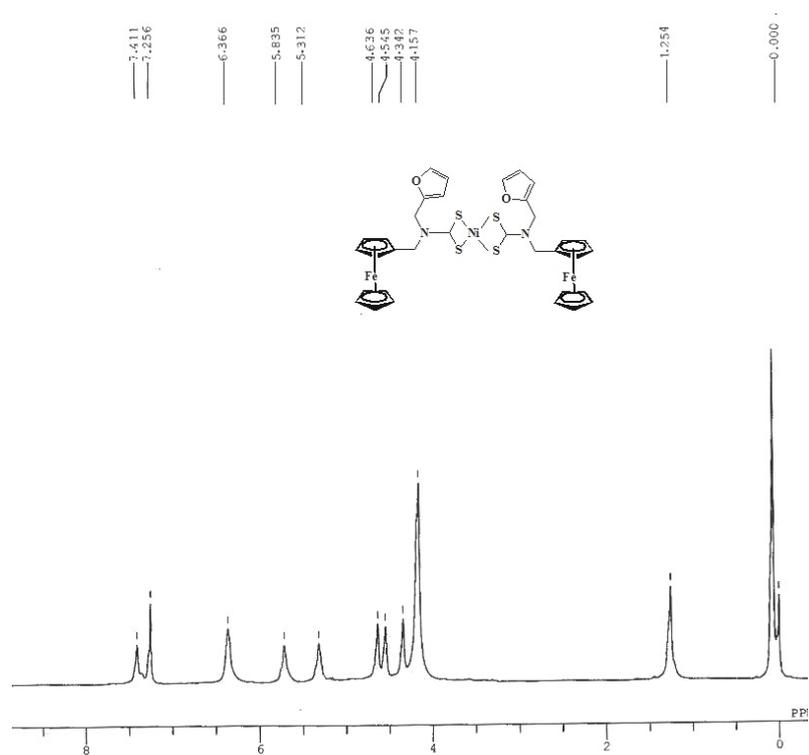
**Table S2. Electrochemical Parameters Derived From the Voltammograms for (1-6).**

Scan rate (mVs <sup>-1</sup> )	$E_{p,a}$ (V)	$E_{p,c}$ (V)	$\Delta E = E_{p,a} - E_{p,c}$ (V)	$E^0 = (E_{p,a} + E_{p,c})/2$ (V)
<b>1</b>				
<b>40</b>	0.29	0.18	0.10	0.23
<b>80</b>	0.29	0.18	0.11	0.23
<b>100</b>	0.30	0.18	0.12	0.24
<b>2</b>				
<b>40</b>	0.36	0.23	0.13	0.29
<b>80</b>	0.36	0.22	0.13	0.29
<b>100</b>	0.36	0.22	0.14	0.29
<b>3</b>				
<b>40</b>	0.30	0.21	0.09	0.26
<b>80</b>	0.30	0.21	0.09	0.26
<b>100</b>	0.31	0.21	0.09	0.26
<b>4</b>				
<b>40</b>	0.40	0.30	0.10	0.35
<b>80</b>	0.39	0.29	0.10	0.34
<b>100</b>	0.38	0.28	0.10	0.33
<b>5</b>				
<b>40</b>	0.38	0.27	0.11	0.32
<b>80</b>	0.39	0.27	0.12	0.33
<b>100</b>	0.39	0.27	0.12	0.33
<b>6</b>				
<b>40</b>	0.33	0.24	0.09	0.28
<b>80</b>	0.34	0.24	0.09	0.28
<b>100</b>	0.34	0.24	0.10	0.29

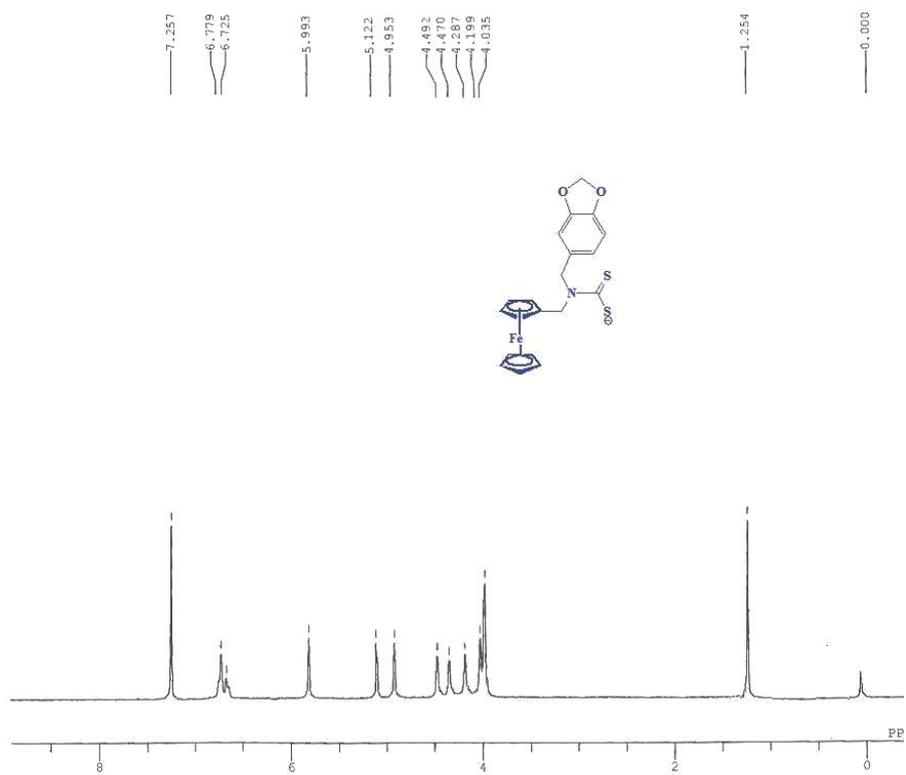
### $^1\text{H}$ NMR Spectra of the Ligands (L1-L3) and Complexes(1-6).



**Fig.S2 (a)**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of L1, potassium-N-methyl furfuryl-N-methyl ferrocenyl dithiocarbamate.

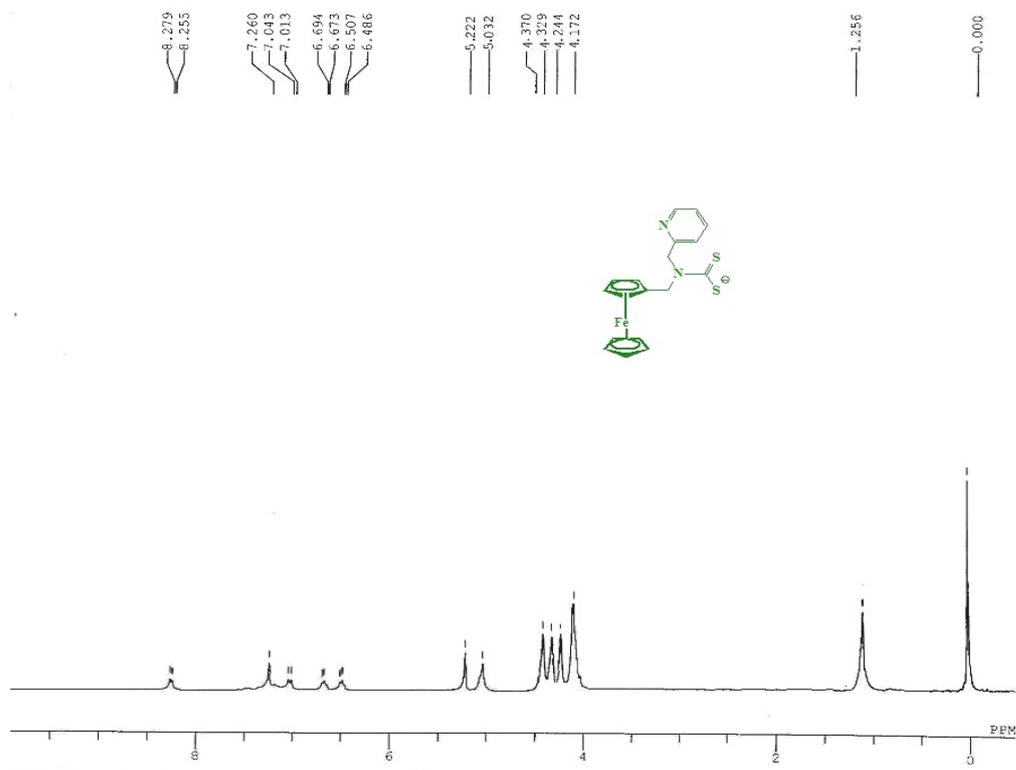


**Fig. S2 (b)**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of **4**,  $[\text{Ni}(\text{FcCH}_2\text{NCS}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}_4\text{H}_3\text{O})_2]$ .

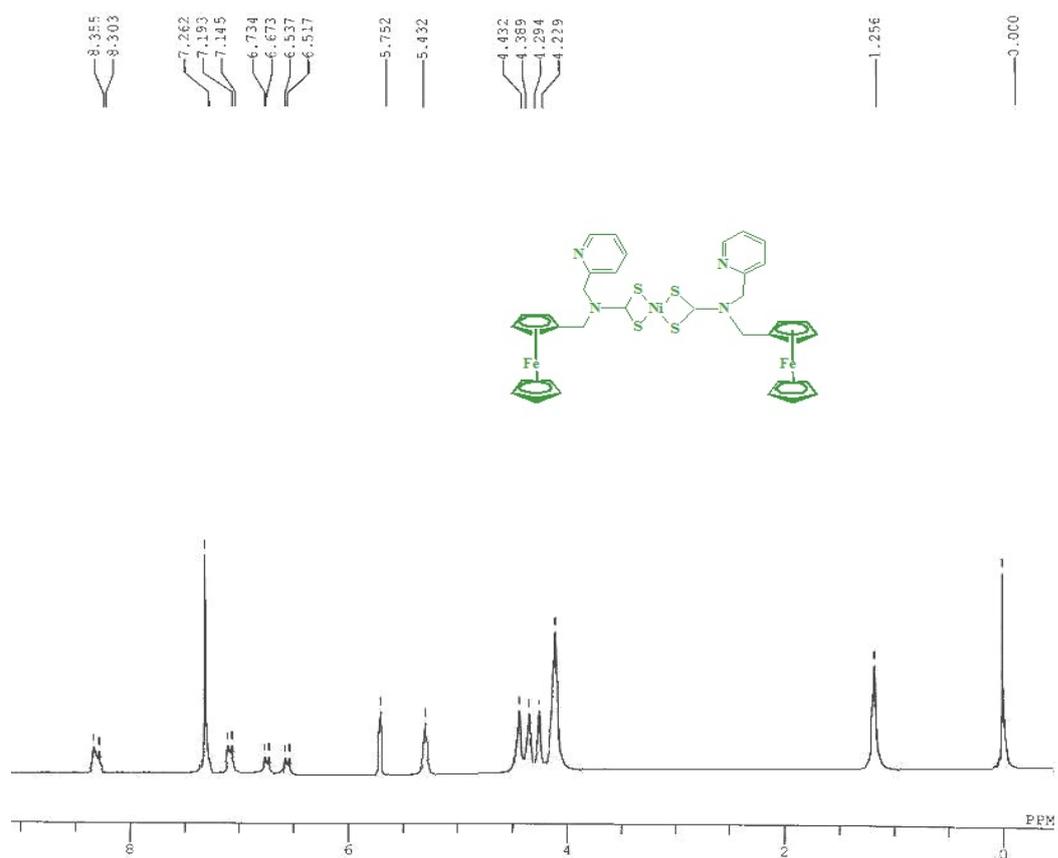


**Fig. S2(c)** <sup>1</sup>H NMR of L2, potassium-N-methylpiperonyl-N-methyl ferrocenyl dithiocarbamate.



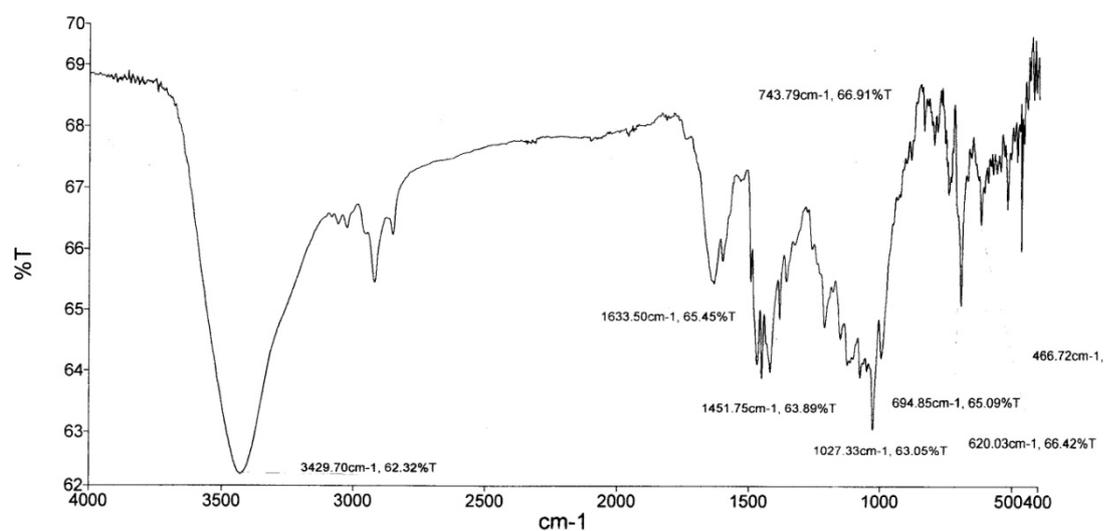


**Fig. S2 (e)** <sup>1</sup>H NMR of L3, potassium-N-methylpyridyl-N-methylferrocenyl dithiocarbamate.

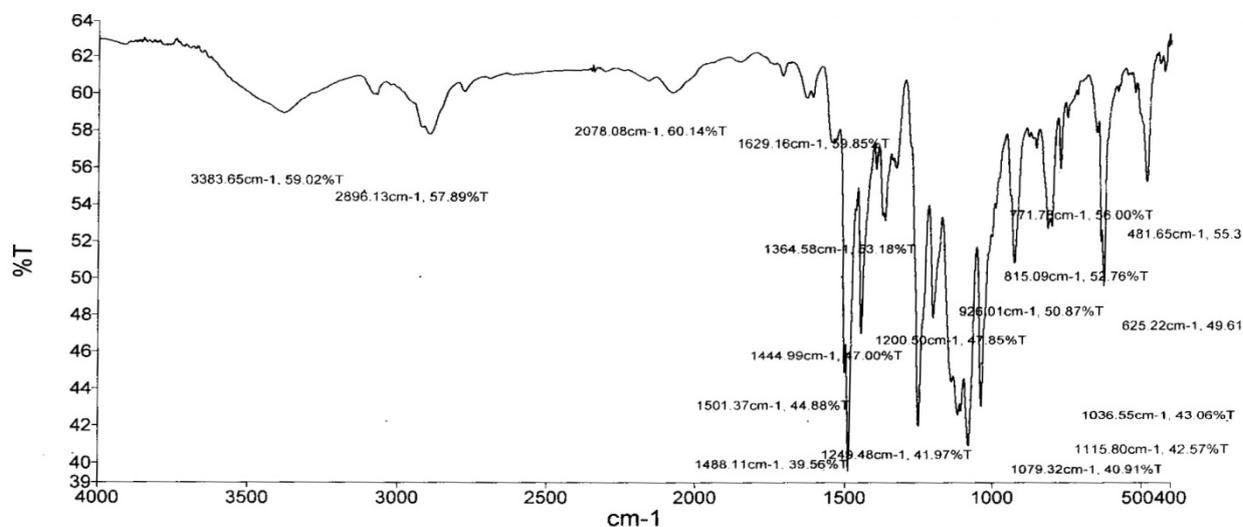


**Fig. S2(f)** <sup>1</sup>H NMR of **6**, [Ni(FcCH<sub>2</sub>NCS<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>N)<sub>2</sub>].

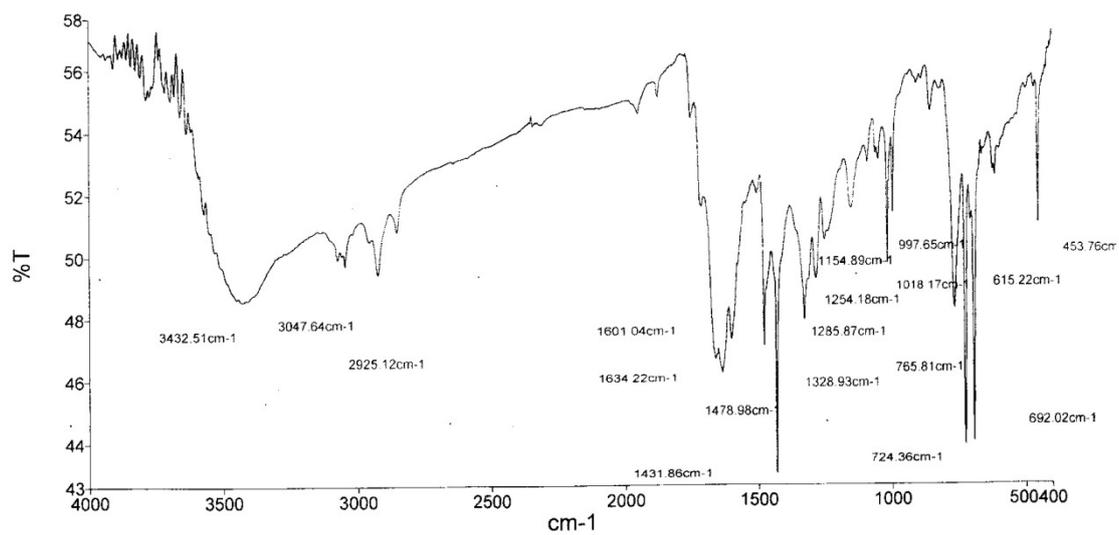
### IR Spectra of the Complexes, 1, 2 and 3



**Fig.S2 (g)** IR spectrum of 1,  $[\text{Cu}(\text{FcCH}_2\text{NCS}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}_4\text{H}_3\text{O})_2]$ .



**Fig.S2 (h)** IR spectrum of 2,  $[\text{Cu}(\text{FcCH}_2\text{NCS}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}_7\text{H}_6\text{O})_2]$ .



**Fig.S2(i).** IR spectrum of **3**,  $[\text{Cu}(\text{FcCH}_2\text{NCS}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}_5\text{H}_4\text{N})_2]$ .