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# **Electronic Supplementary Information (ESI)**

## Electroneutral Mononuclear Iron(III) Schiff Base Complexes involving Terminal Pseudohalido Ligands

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## S1. UV-VIS spectra of the reported complexes



Figure S1 UV-VIS spectra of compound 1-6 in acetonitrile solution

## S2. Selected non-covalent interactions in the reported complexes



Compound 3 [Fe(L3)(NCS)]

**Figure S2** A perspective view of non-covalent interactions in the crystal lattice of **3**. At 150 K corresponding bond distances are  $d(O3\cdots N2) = 3.071(3)$  Å;  $d(O3\cdots S1) = 3.265(2)$  Å;  $d(O4\cdots O6) = 2.922(3)$  Å;  $d(O4\cdots O4) = 3.443(3)$  Å at 150 K.



**Figure S3** A perspective view of non-covalent interactions in the crystal lattice of **3** along *bc* plane.  $d(O3\cdots N2) = 3.071(3)$  Å;  $d(O3\cdots S1) = 3.265(2)$  Å;  $d(O4\cdots O6) = 2.922(3)$  Å;  $d(O4\cdots O4) = 3.443(3)$  Å at 150 K.



**Figure S4** A perspective view of non-covalent interactions in the crystal lattice of **3** along *ac* plane  $d(O3\cdots N2) = 3.071(3)$  Å;  $d(O3\cdots S1) = 3.265(2)$  Å;  $d(O4\cdots O6) = 2.922(3)$  Å;  $d(O4\cdots O4) = 3.443(3)$  Å at 150 K.

Compound 5 [Fe(L5)(NCS)]



**Figure S7** A perspective view on  $N_{(am)}$ ...S1 hydrogen bonding in [Fe(L5)NCS]. The corresponding donor...acceptor distances: d(N2...S1) = 3.529(2) Å (150 K).

Compound 6 [Fe(L5)(NCS)]



**Figure S8** A perspective view on  $N_{(am)}$ ···O<sub>1</sub> hydrogen bonding in [Fe(L6)NCS]. Corresponding bond distances:  $d(N2\cdots O1) = 2.878(2)$  Å (100 K).

#### S3 Collection of alternative fits of magnetic functions with sign reversal of the D parameter

In following cases the sign of the parameter D was fixed opposite as found in the article (the absolute value was not limited), other parameters were unrestricted.



**Figure S9** Magnetic functions for **3**: effective magnetic moment *vs* temperature (left), magnetization *vs* magnetic field (right), magnetic susceptibility *vs* temperature (inset); grey circles: experimental data, solid line: fitted.



**Figure S10** Magnetic functions for **4**: effective magnetic moment *vs* temperature (left), magnetization *vs* magnetic field (right), magnetic susceptibility *vs* temperature (inset); grey circles: experimental data, solid line: fitted.



**Figure S11** Magnetic functions for **5**: effective magnetic moment *vs* temperature (left), magnetization *vs* magnetic field (right), magnetic susceptibility *vs* temperature (inset); grey circles: experimental data, solid line: fitted.



**Figure S12.** Magnetic functions for **6** per monomeric unit: effective magnetic moment *vs* temperature (left), magnetization *vs* magnetic field (right), magnetic susceptibility *vs* temperature (inset); grey circles: experimental data, solid line: fitted.

**Table S1.** Summary of alternative magnetic parameters for the high spin complexes 3-6 with opposite sign of the parameter D

Complex	$J/cm^{-1}$	g	$D/\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$	$(zj)/cm^{-1}$	$R(\chi)/R(M)$
3, [Fe(L3)(NCS)] 4, [Fe(L1)(N <sub>3</sub> )]	_	1.98 2.03	-1.00 -0.11	-0.23 -0.28	0.012/0.055 0.016/0.023
5, [Fe(L5)(NCS)]	_	2.01	-0.52	-0.04	0.020/0.021
6, [Fe(L6)(NCS)]	-0.56	2.03	+1.00	-0.05	0.054/0.086