

Synthesis, Characterization, and Preliminary
Oxygenation Studies of Benzyl- and Ethyl-
Substituted Pyridine Ligands of Carboxylate-Rich
Diiron(II) Complexes

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Table S1. Summary of X-ray Crystallographic Data

	2	3·C₄H₁₀O	5
Empirical Formula	Fe ₂ C ₁₀₈ H ₈₈ N ₂ O ₈ Cl ₂	Fe ₂ C ₁₀₆ H ₁₁₂ N ₂ O ₉	Fe ₂ C ₁₁₀ H ₉₄ N ₂ O ₈
Formula Weight	1724.40	1729.64	1683.57
Space Group	Pbca	P1̄	P2 ₁ /c
a, Å	13.751(3)	14.516(3)	13.774(3)
b, Å	23.133(5)	17.236(4)	23.088(5)
c, Å	27.455(6)	20.031(5)	14.488(3)
α, deg		115.140(3)	
β, deg		91.959(4)	107.498(4)
γ, deg		93.572(4)	
V, Å ³	8734(3)	4517.8(18)	4394.4(15)
Z	4	2	2
ρ _{calc} , g/cm ³	1.311	1.271	1.272
T, °C	-100	-100	-100
μ(Mo Kα), mm ⁻¹	0.455	0.383	0.392
θ limits, deg	1.88 – 27.50	1.74 – 26.37	1.78 – 26.38
total no. of data	72872	36881	28010
no. of unique data	9955	18153	7686
no. of params	554	1134	550
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.320	1.029	1.029
R1 ^a	0.0738	0.0423	0.0634
wR ^{2b}	0.1684	0.1096	0.1191
max, min peaks, e/Å ³	0.731, -0.493	0.688, -0.358	0.357, -0.313

$$^a R1 = \frac{\sum ||F_o| - F_c||}{\sum |F_o|}. \quad ^b wR^2 = \left\{ \frac{\sum [w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2]}{\sum [w(F_o^2)^2]} \right\}^{1/2}.$$

Table S1. Continued

	6 ·2.5CH ₂ Cl ₂	7	8	9
Empirical Formula	Fe ₂ C ₁₀₁ H ₉₂ N ₂ O ₈ Cl ₅	Fe ₂ C ₉₈ H ₈₆ N ₂ O ₈	Fe ₂ C ₉₈ H ₈₆ N ₂ O ₈	Fe ₂ C ₉₀ H ₆₂ N ₂ O ₈ F ₈
Formula Weight	1750.72	1531.39	1531.39	1563.12
Space Group	P2 ₁ /c	P $\bar{1}$	P2 ₁ /c	P $\bar{1}$
a, Å	15.219(2)	12.311(3)	10.775(3)	12.2612(16)
b, Å	10.8186(16)	13.322(3)	24.890(8)	13.3582(17)
c, Å	29.434(4)	14.608(3)	15.118(5)	23.981(3)
α , deg		115.544(3)		84.355(2)
β , deg	117.387(6)	108.042(4)	106.178(6)	86.811(2)
γ , deg		98.087(4)		67.916(2)
V, Å ³	4303.1(10)	1947.5(8)	3894(2)	3621.2(8)
Z	2	1	2	2
ρ_{calc} , g/cm ³	1.351	1.306	1.306	1.434
T, °C	-100	-100	-100	-100
μ (Mo K α), mm ⁻¹	0.553	0.434	0.434	0.484
θ limits, deg	2.04 – 26.38	1.74 – 26.37	1.62 – 26.39	1.65 – 26.37
total no. of data	34613	16083	31640	29709
no. of unique data	8807	7841	7957	14571
no. of params	583	500	500	991
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.206	1.224	1.314	1.061
R1 ^a	0.0894	0.0533	0.0734	0.0552
wR ^{2b}	0.1886	0.1317	0.1467	0.1237
max, min peaks, e/Å ³	0.952, -0.664	0.865, -0.225	1.058, -0.497	0.495, -0.324

$${}^a\text{R1} = \Sigma||F_o| - F_c| / \Sigma|F_o|. \quad {}^b\text{wR}^2 = \{ \Sigma[w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2] / \Sigma[w(F_o^2)^2] \}^{1/2}.$$

Table S2. A Comparison of Fe \cdots Fe and Fe–O Distances in Carboxylate-Bridged Diiron(II) Windmill Structures with Their Coordination Number.

	Coordination Number	Fe \cdots Fe	Fe–O _{av}	Fe–O _L
1 (Fe1)	4	4.2380(9)	1.999(2)	2.463(2)
1 (Fe2)	5	4.6052(9)	2.033(2)	2.281(2)
2	5	4.3908(11)	2.013(2)	2.308(2)
5	5	4.0656(10)	2.016(3)	2.214(2)
6	4	4.3361(12)	1.998(3)	2.517(3)
7	4	4.0861(10)	1.9714(17)	2.715(2)
8	5	4.1542(14)	2.068(3)	2.323(3)
9 (Fe1)	5	4.4830(10)	2.025(2)	2.225(2)
9 (Fe2)	5	4.4434(10)	2.002(2)	2.330(2)

Captions for Supporting Figures

Figure S1. Top: ORTEP drawing of $[\text{Fe}_2(\mu\text{-O}_2\text{CAr}^{\text{Tol}})_2(\text{O}_2\text{CAr}^{\text{Tol}})_2(2\text{-Bnpy})_2]$ (**1**) illustrating 50% probability thermal ellipsoids for all non-hydrogen atoms. Bottom: Drawing in which the aromatic rings of the $\text{O}_2\text{CAr}^{\text{Tol}}$ ligands are omitted for clarity.

Figure S2. Top: ORTEP drawing of $[\text{Fe}_2(\mu\text{-O}_2\text{CAr}^{\text{Tol}})_2(\text{O}_2\text{CAr}^{\text{Tol}})_2(2\text{-(4-ClBn)py})_2]$ (**2**) illustrating 50% probability thermal ellipsoids for all non-hydrogen atoms. Bottom: Drawing in which the aromatic rings of the $\text{O}_2\text{CAr}^{\text{Tol}}$ ligands are omitted for clarity.

Figure S3. Top: ORTEP drawing of $[\text{Fe}_2(\mu\text{-O}_2\text{CAr}^{\text{Tol}})_4(4\text{-Bnpy})_2]$ (**3**) illustrating 50% probability thermal ellipsoids for all non-hydrogen atoms. Bottom: Drawing in which the aromatic rings of the $\text{O}_2\text{CAr}^{\text{Tol}}$ ligands are omitted for clarity.

Figure S4. Top: ORTEP drawing of $[\text{Fe}_2(\mu\text{-O}_2\text{CAr}^{\text{Tol}})_2(\text{O}_2\text{CAr}^{\text{Tol}})_2(2\text{-Bnan})_2]$ (**5**) illustrating 50% probability thermal ellipsoids for all non-hydrogen atoms. Bottom: Drawing in which the aromatic rings of the $\text{O}_2\text{CAr}^{\text{Tol}}$ ligands are omitted for clarity.

Figure S5. Top: ORTEP drawing of $[\text{Fe}_2(\mu\text{-O}_2\text{CAr}^{\text{Tol}})_2(\text{O}_2\text{CAr}^{\text{Tol}})_2(2\text{-Etpy})_2]$ (**6**) illustrating 50% probability thermal ellipsoids for all non-hydrogen atoms. Bottom: Drawing in which the aromatic rings of the $\text{O}_2\text{CAr}^{\text{Tol}}$ ligands are omitted for clarity.

Figure S6. Top: ORTEP drawing of $[\text{Fe}_2(\mu\text{-O}_2\text{CAr}^{\text{Tol}})_2(\text{O}_2\text{CAr}^{\text{Tol}})_2(3\text{-Etpy})_2]$ (**7**) illustrating 50% probability thermal ellipsoids for all non-hydrogen atoms. Bottom: Drawing in which the aromatic rings of the $\text{O}_2\text{CAr}^{\text{Tol}}$ ligands are omitted for clarity.

Figure S7. Top: ORTEP drawing of $[\text{Fe}_2(\mu\text{-O}_2\text{CAr}^{\text{Tol}})_2(\text{O}_2\text{CAr}^{\text{Tol}})_2(4\text{-Etpy})_2]$ (**8**) illustrating 50% probability thermal ellipsoids for all non-hydrogen atoms. Bottom: Drawing in which the aromatic rings of the $\text{O}_2\text{CAr}^{\text{Tol}}$ ligands are omitted for clarity.

Figure S8. Top: ORTEP drawing of $[\text{Fe}_2(\mu\text{-O}_2\text{CAr}^{4\text{-FPh}})_2(\text{O}_2\text{CAr}^{4\text{-FPh}})_2(2\text{-Etpy})_2]$ (**9**) illustrating 50% probability thermal ellipsoids for all non-hydrogen atoms. Bottom: Drawing in which the aromatic rings of the $\text{O}_2\text{CAr}^{4\text{-FPh}}$ ligands are omitted for clarity.

Figure S9. Mössbauer spectrum (experimental data ()), calculated (–) recorded at 4.2 K for solid sample of $[\text{Fe}_2(\mu\text{-O}_2\text{CAr}^{\text{Tol}})_2(\text{O}_2\text{CAr}^{\text{Tol}})_2(2\text{-Bnpy})_2]$ (**1**).

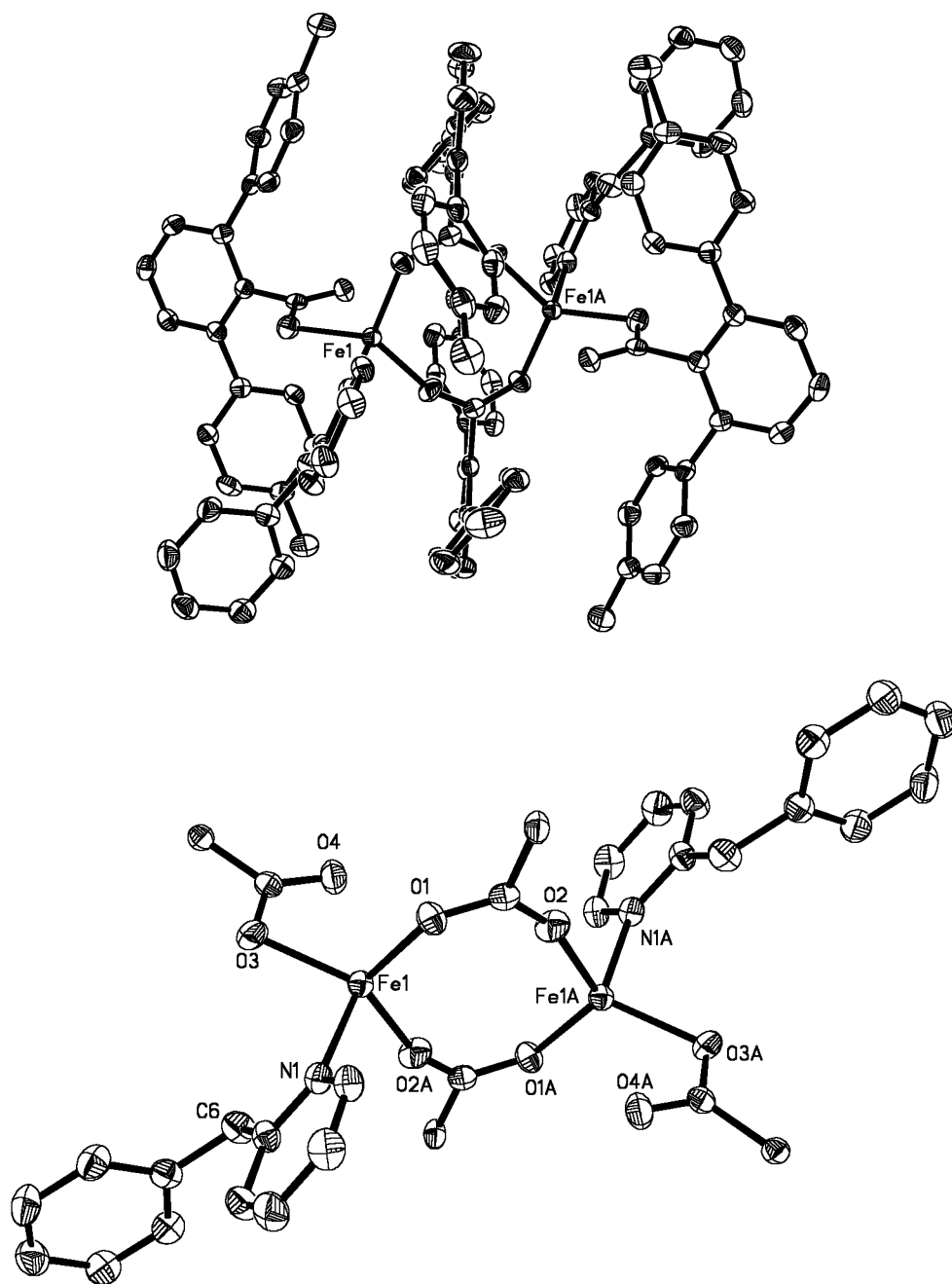


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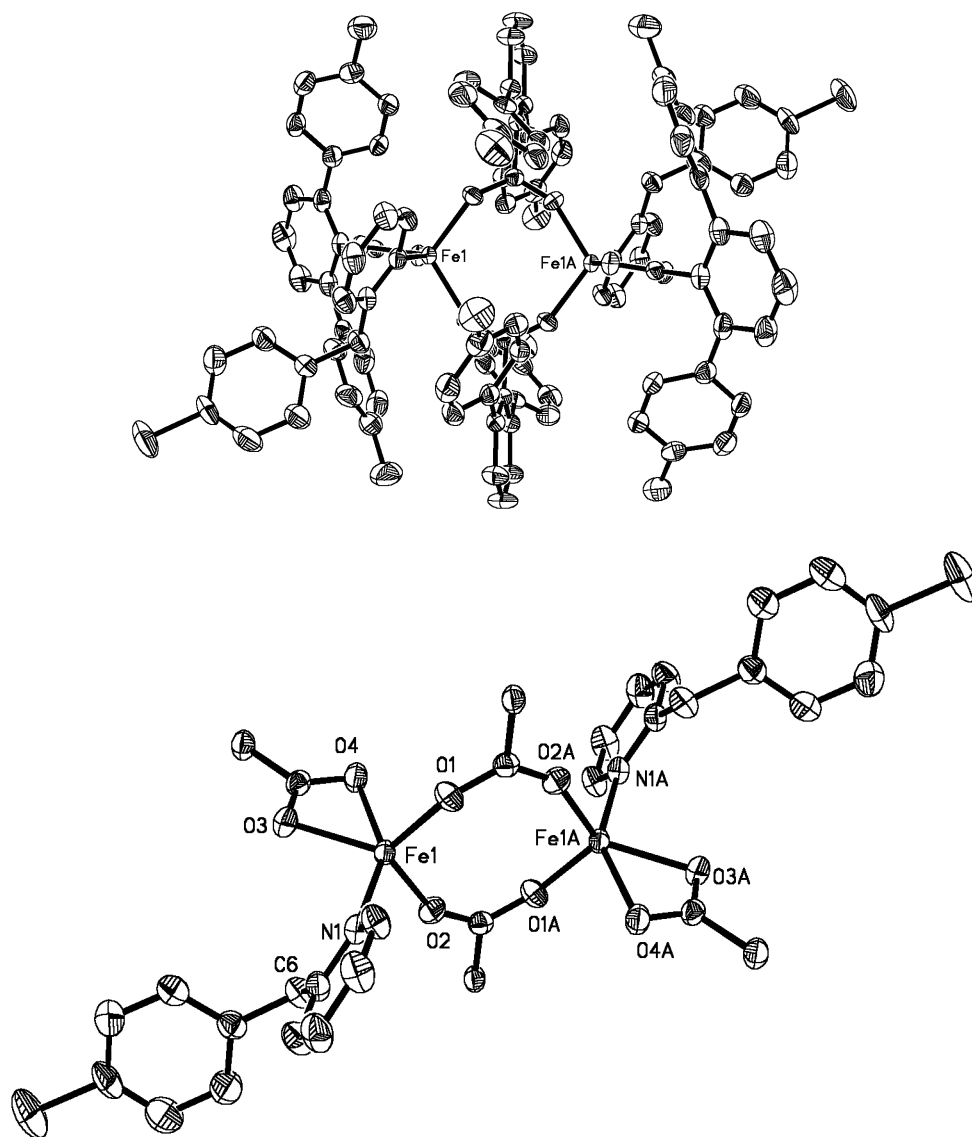


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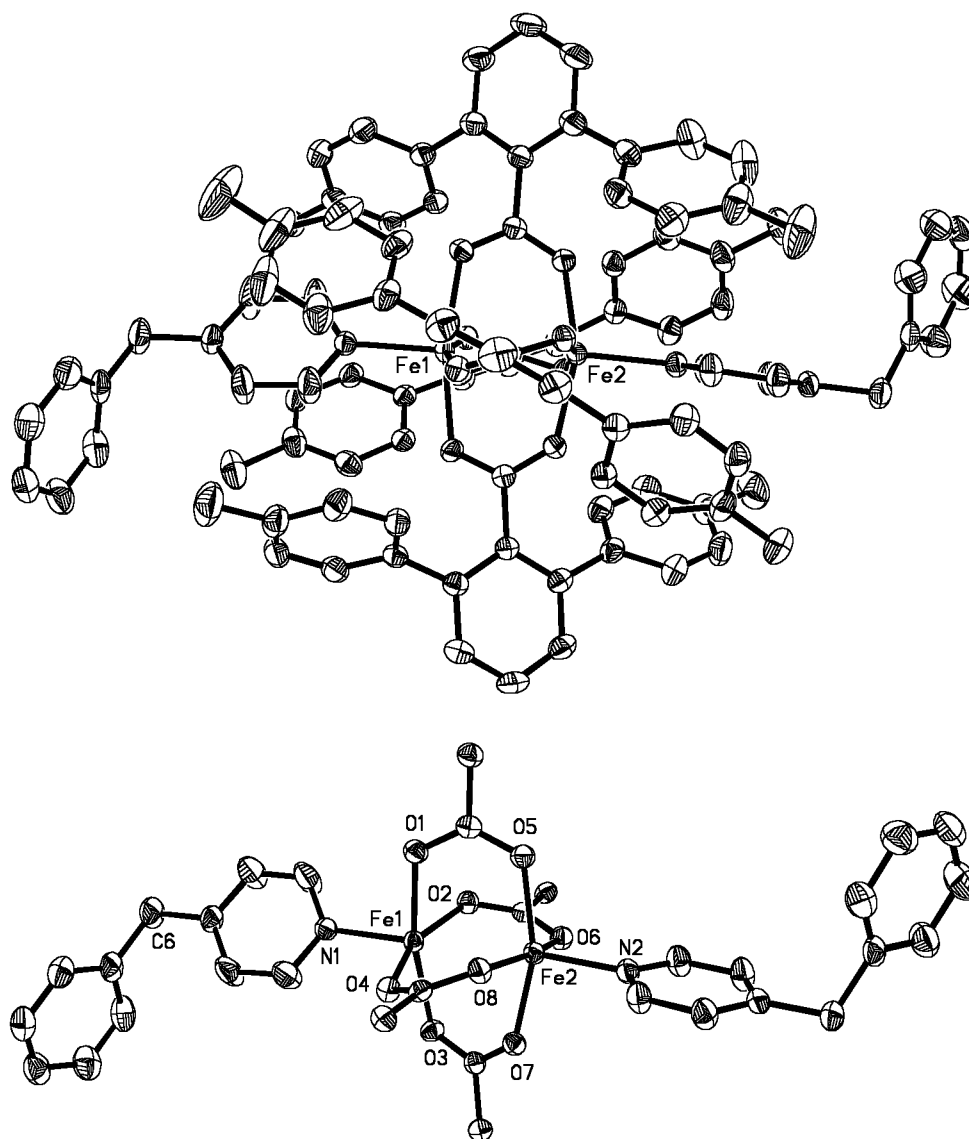


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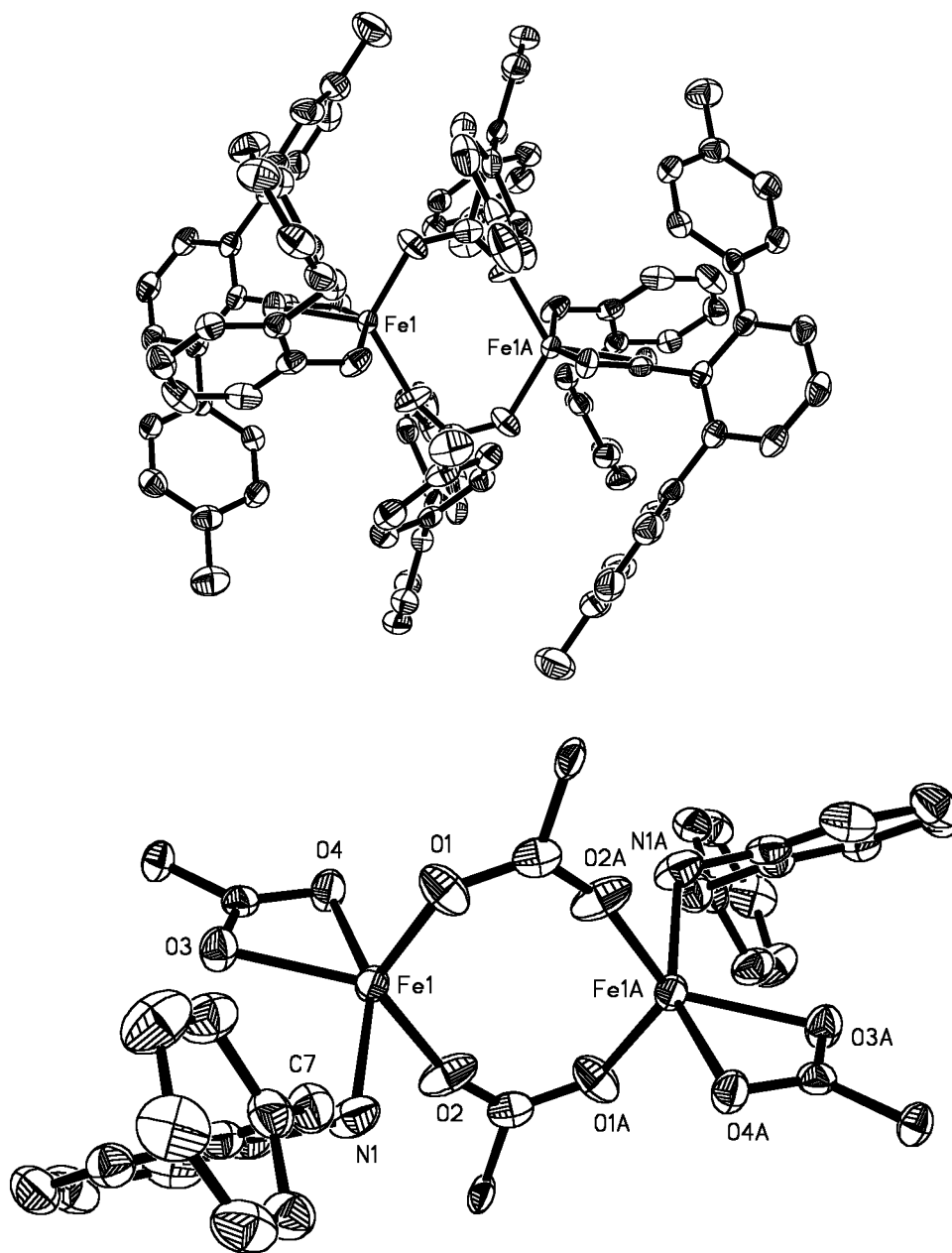


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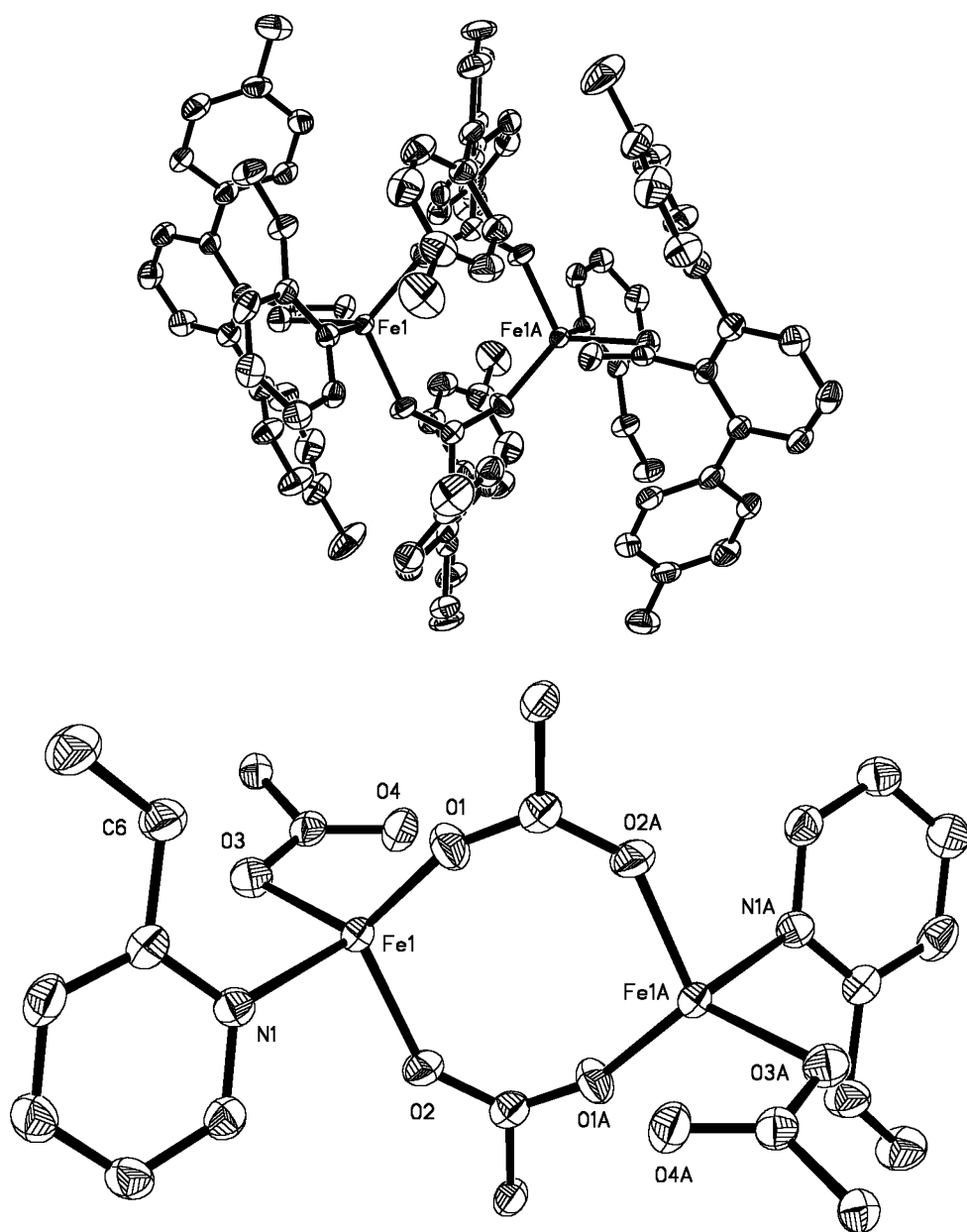


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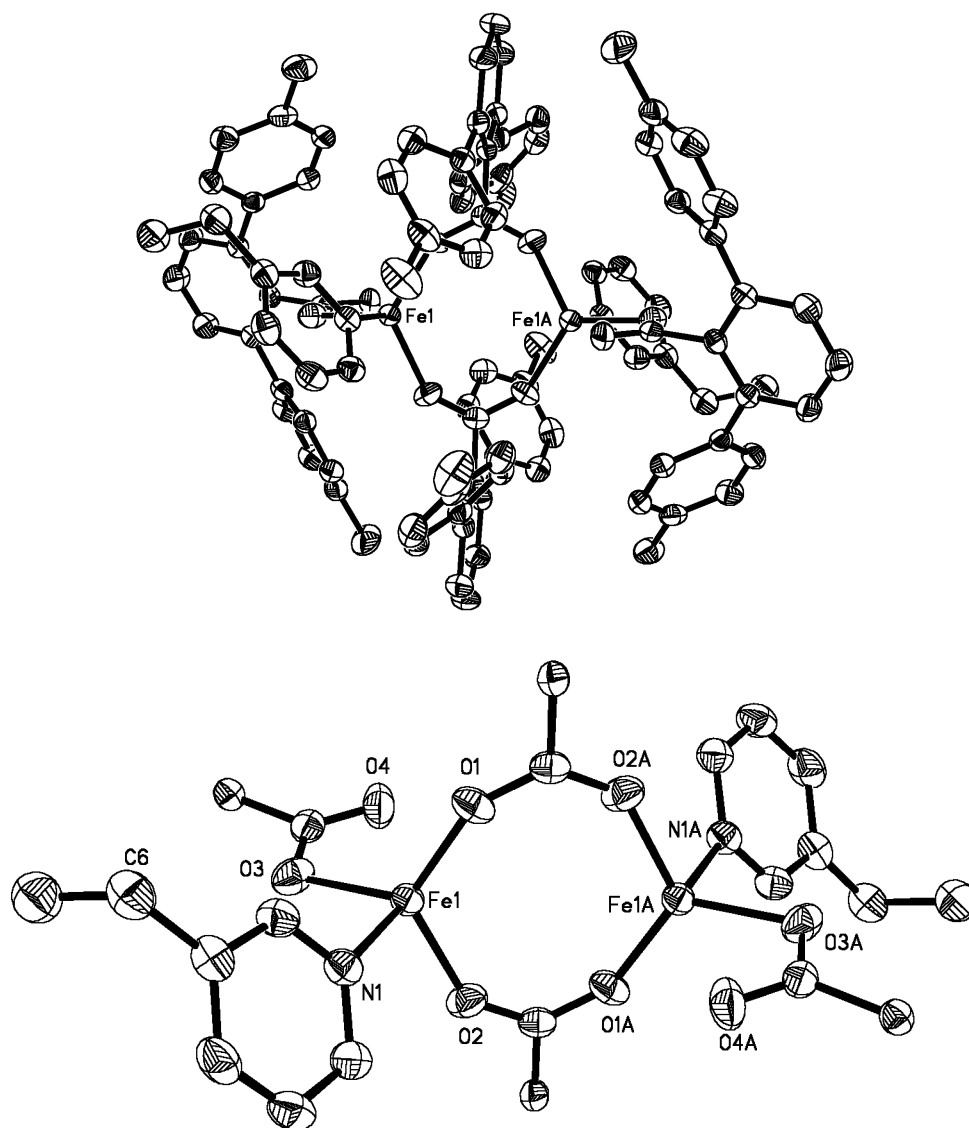


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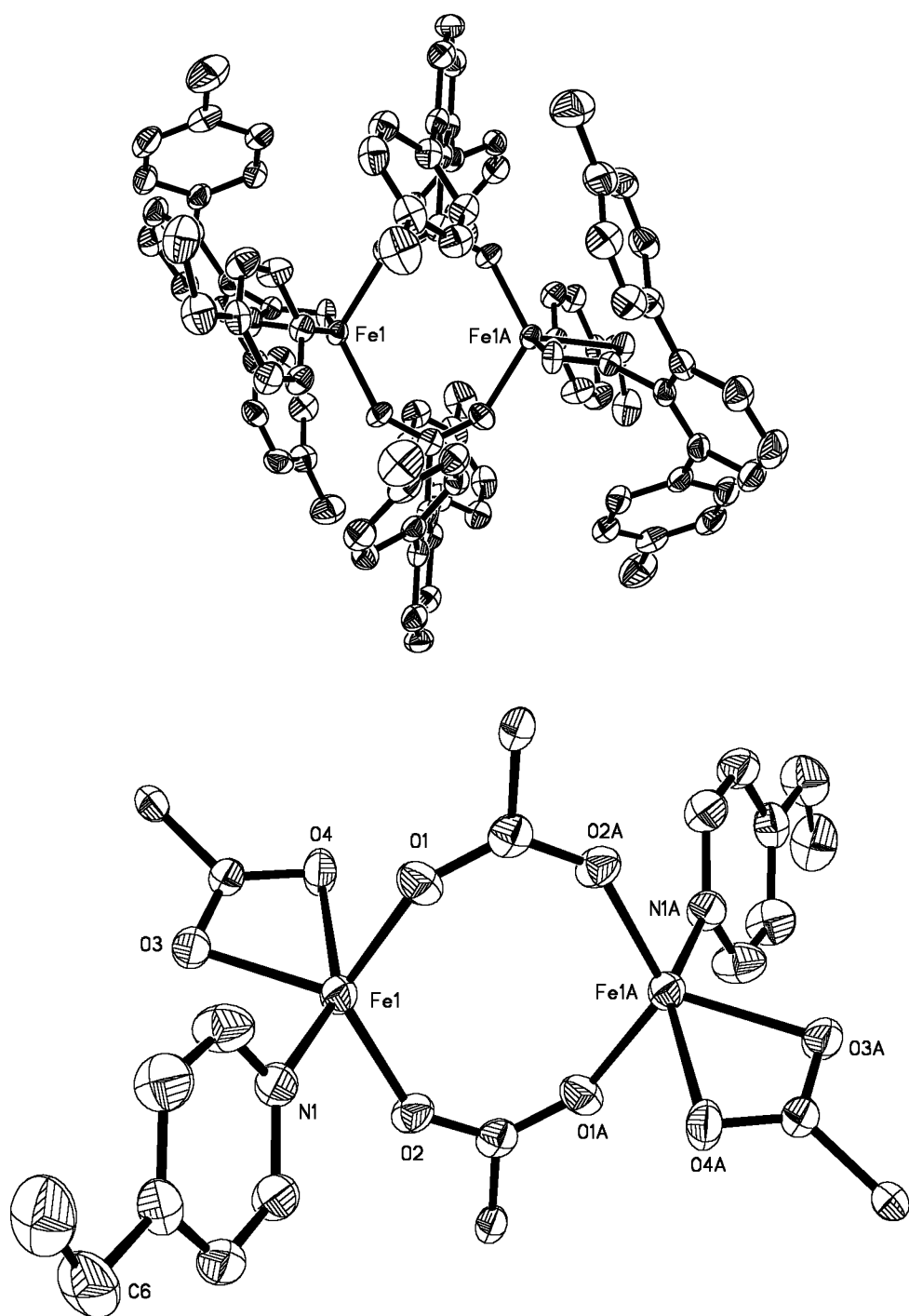


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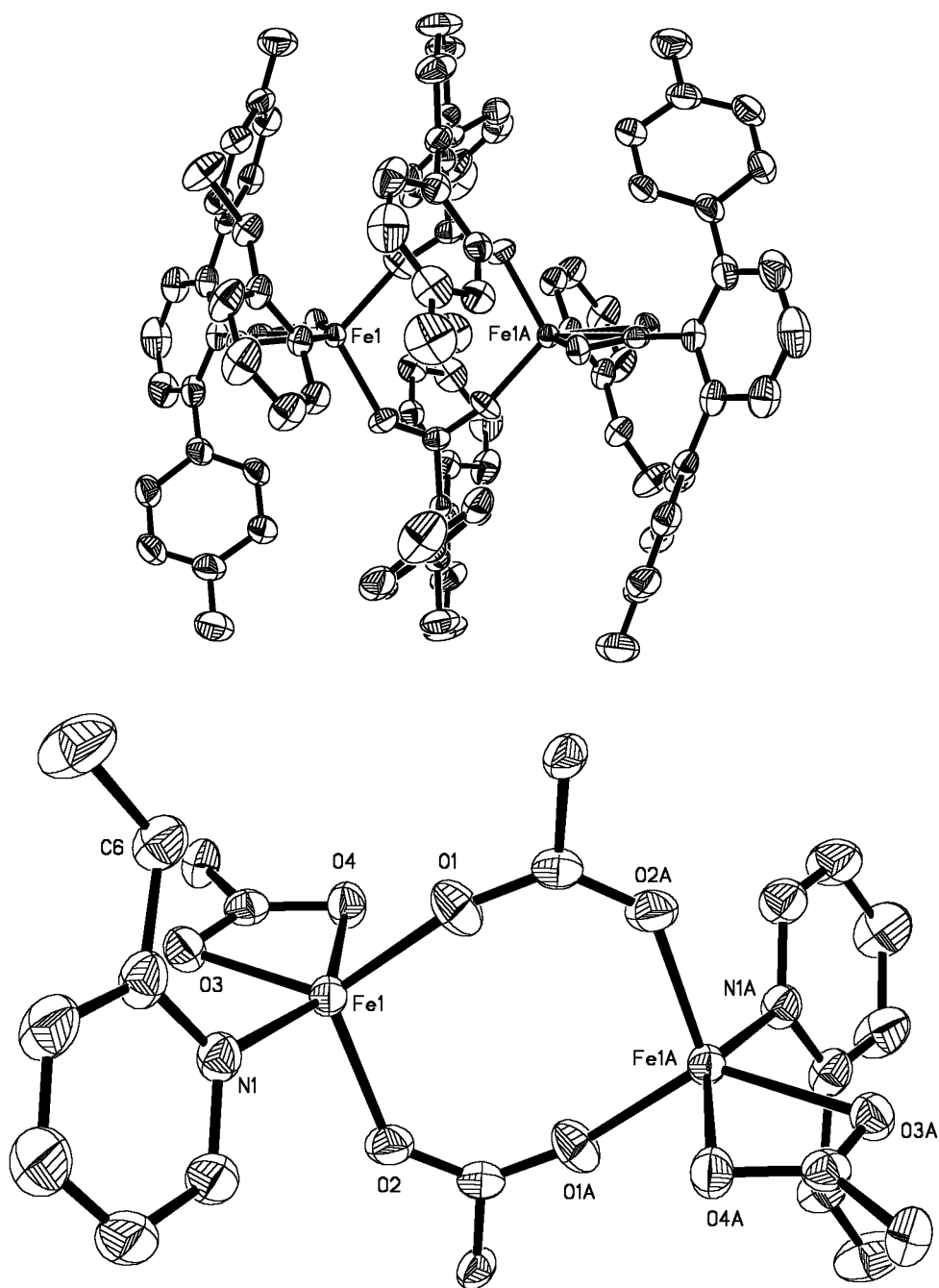


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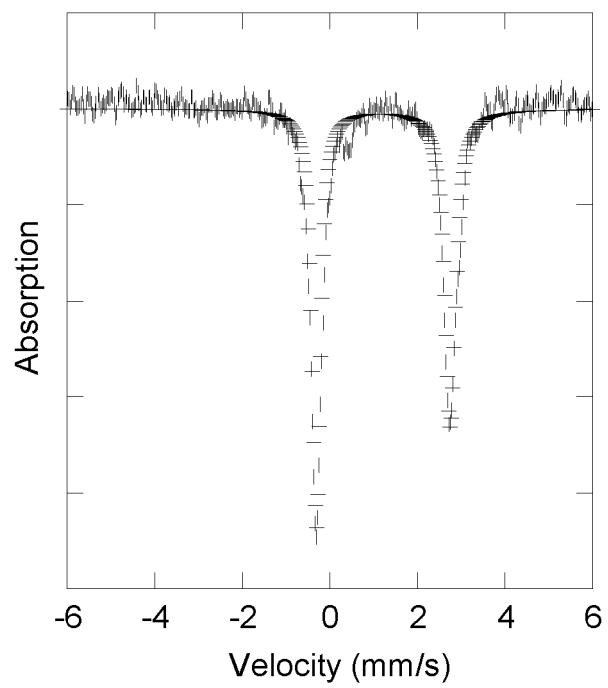


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