

## **Supplementary Information for**

# **Achieving Large Thermal Hysteresis of an Anthracene-Based Manganese(II) Complex via Photo-Induced Electron Transfer**

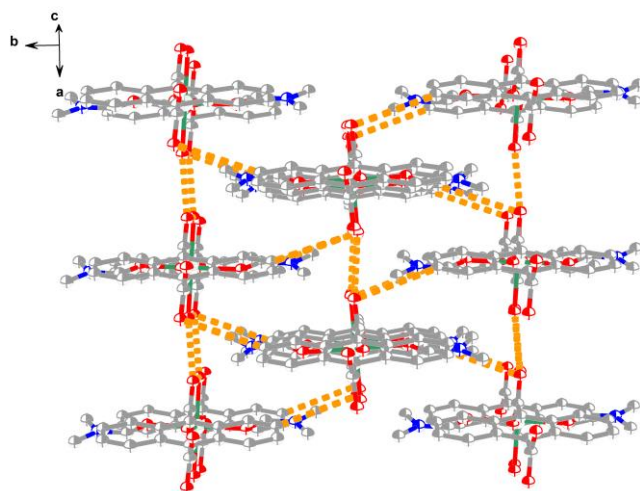
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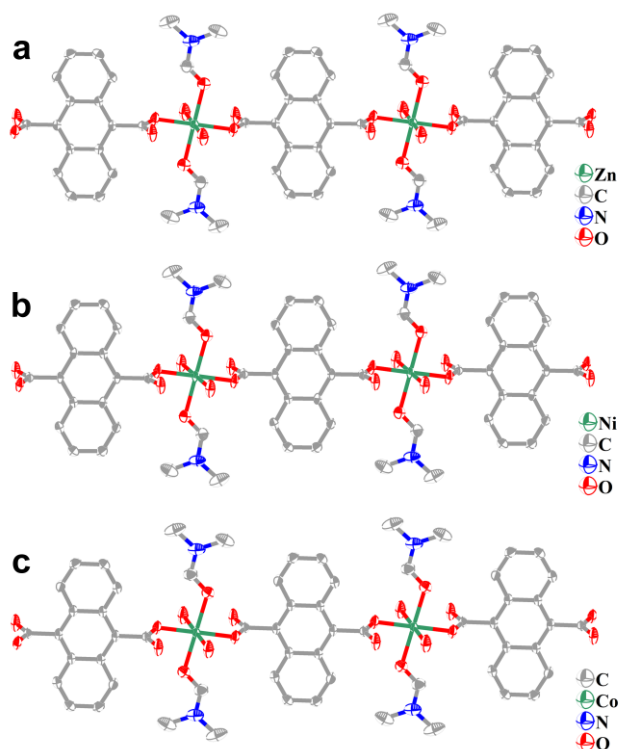
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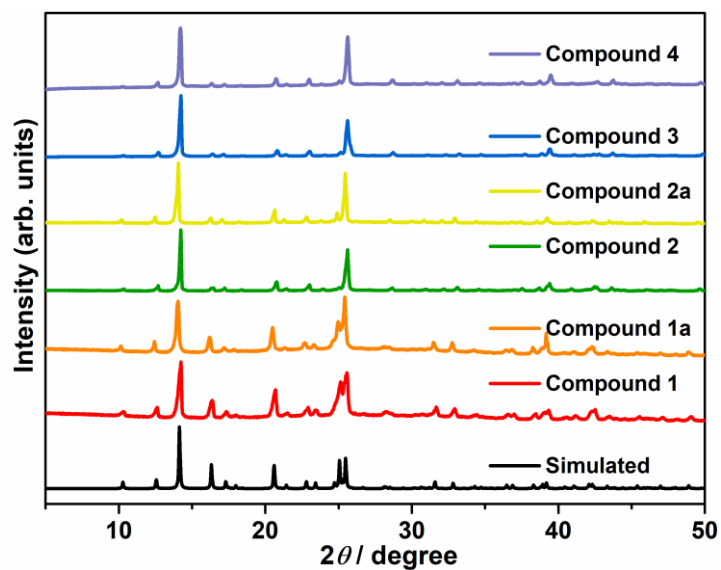
## Supplementary Figures



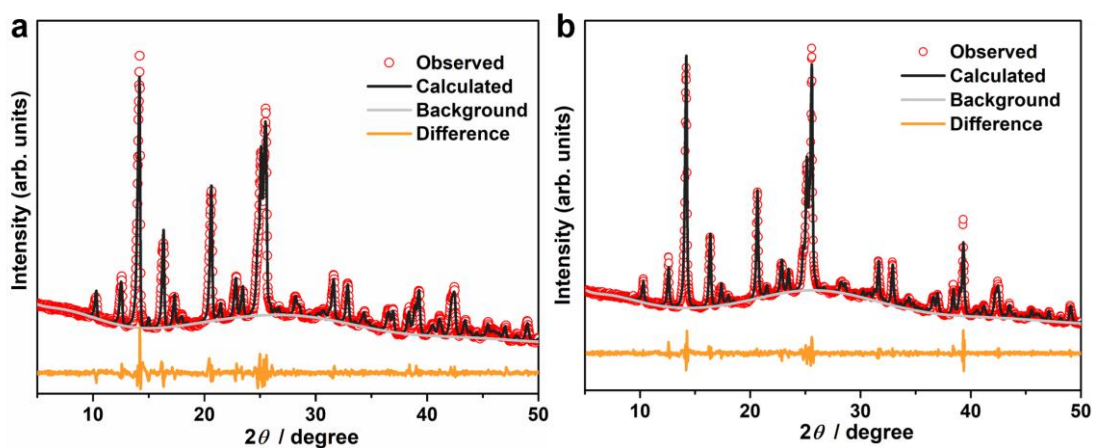
**Supplementary Figure 1.** The supramolecular structure via H-bond interactions for compound **1** with thermal ellipsoids set at 50% probability.



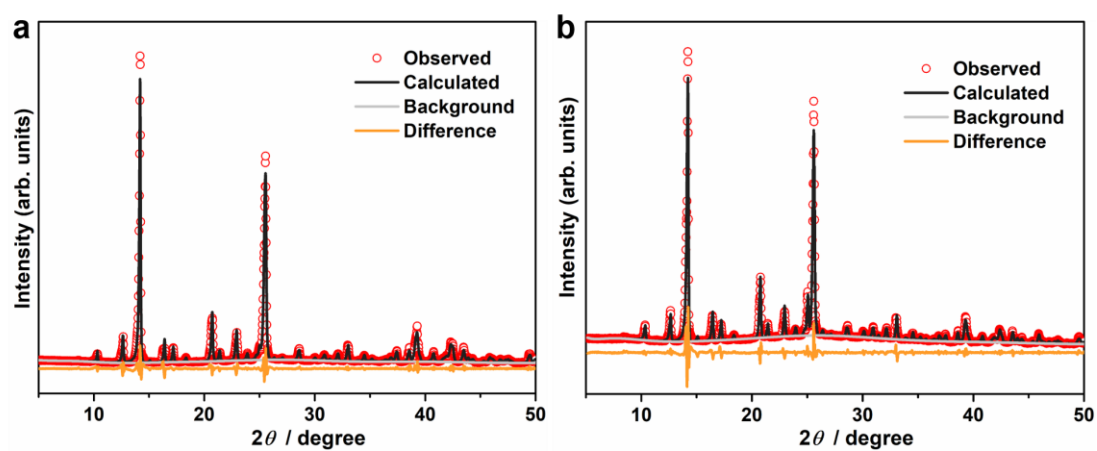
**Supplementary Figure 2.** The 1D structure for compounds **2** (a), **3** (b) and **4** (c) with thermal ellipsoids set at 50% probability. The green, grey-40%, red and blue colors represented M<sup>2+</sup> (M = Zn, Ni and Co for **2**, **3** and **4**, respectively), C, O and N atoms, respectively. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.



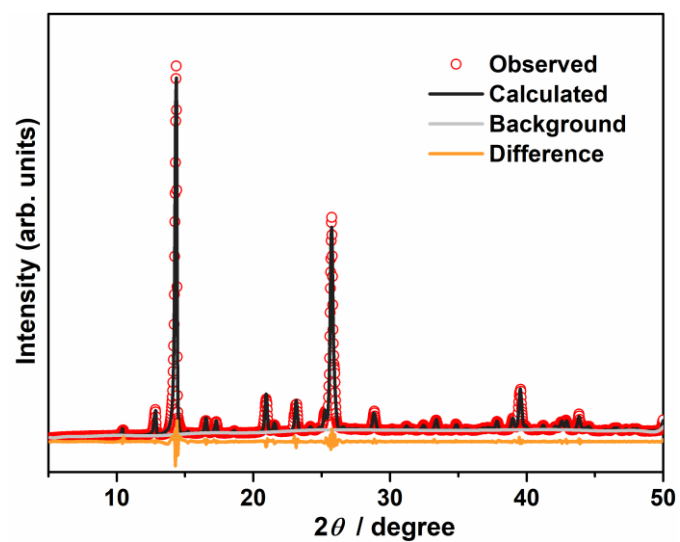
Supplementary Figure 3. PXRD plots for compounds 1–4 at 293 K.



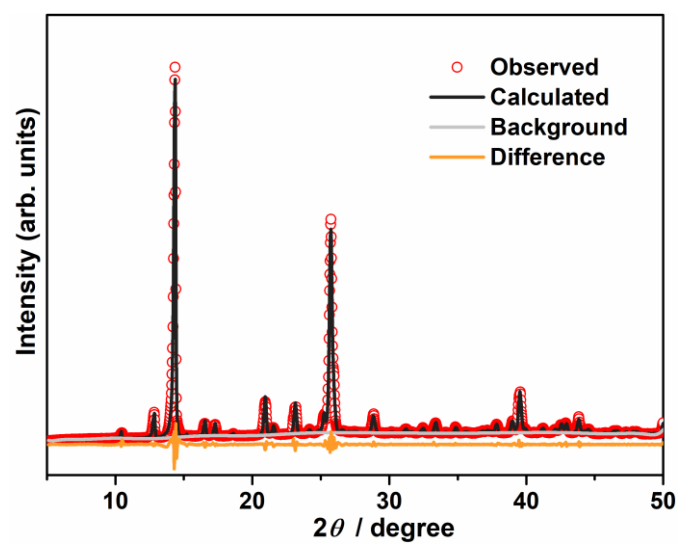
Supplementary Figure 4. Le Bail method fit to PXRD data for compounds 1 (a) and 1a (b).



Supplementary Figure 5. Le Bail method fit to PXRD data for compounds 2 (a) and 2a (b).



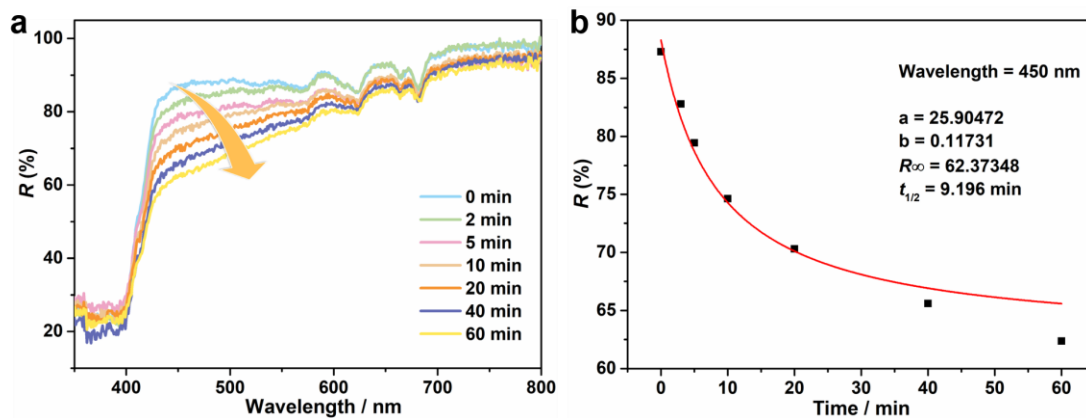
**Supplementary Figure 6.** Le Bail method fit to PXR D data for compound 3.



**Supplementary Figure 7.** Le Bail method fit to PXR D data for compound 4.



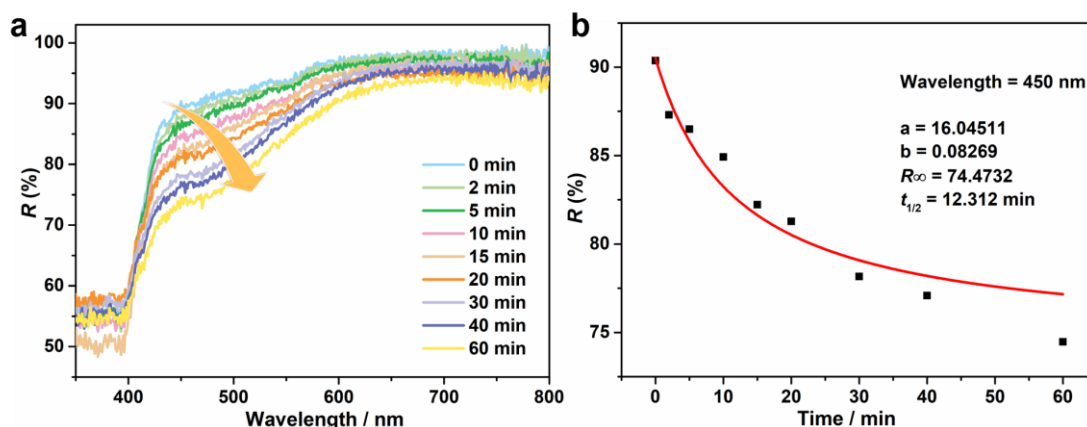
**Supplementary Figure 8.** The color changes of powder sample 1 after Xe lamp light irradiation.



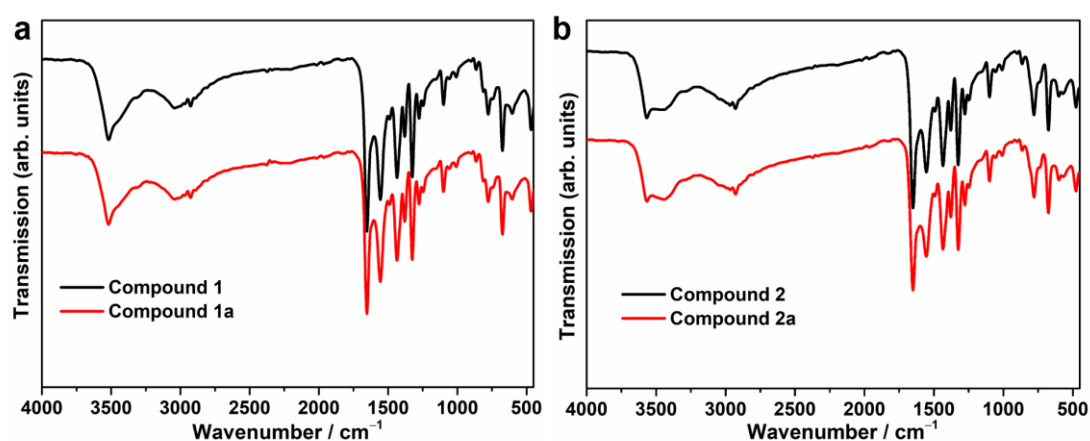
**Supplementary Figure 9.** (a) Time-dependent UV-Vis diffuse-reflectance spectra of **1** upon irradiation, which were obtained by transforming the absorption spectra; (b) The plot of relative intensity of time-dependent UV-Vis spectra at 450 nm upon light irradiation. The red solid line presented the fitted curve. The kinetics of the coloration for **1** was analyzed in order to estimate the rate of photochromism, using function  $R^{\lambda_{\text{max}}}(t) = a/(bt + 1) + R^{\lambda_{\text{max}}}(\infty)$  to fit peak of diffuse reflection versus time curve. The relative parameters are listed in Supplementary Figure 9b, wherein, the constant  $a$  and  $b$  are proportionality constant,  $R^{\lambda_{\text{max}}}(\infty)$  is the peak value of diffuse reflection spectrum after complete irradiation. Furthermore, substituting  $R(t) = [R(0) + R(\infty)]/2$  into the function gives the value of half-time  $t_{1/2}$  about 9.20 min.



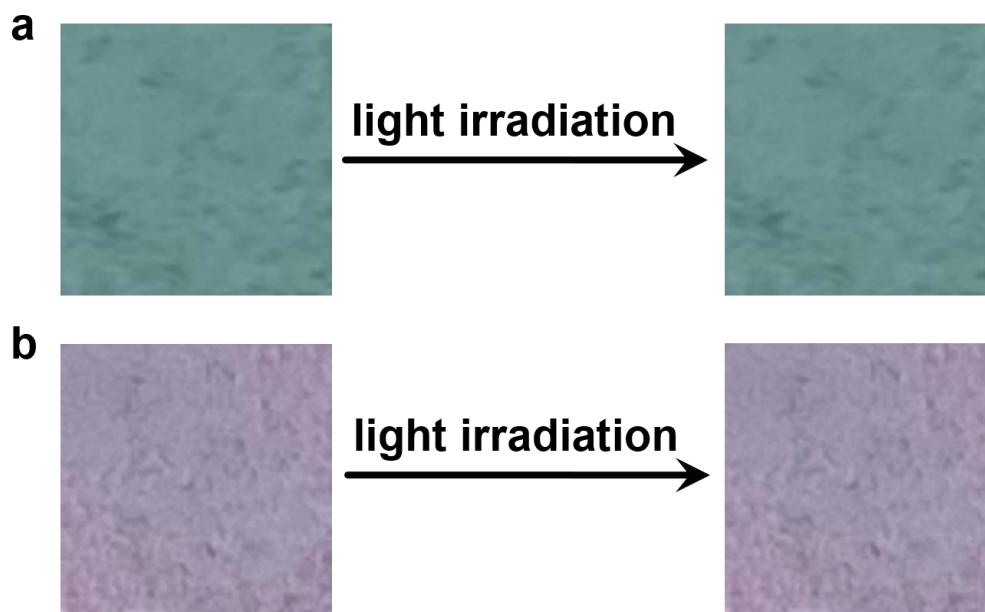
**Supplementary Figure 10.** The color changes of powder sample **2** after Xe lamp light irradiation.



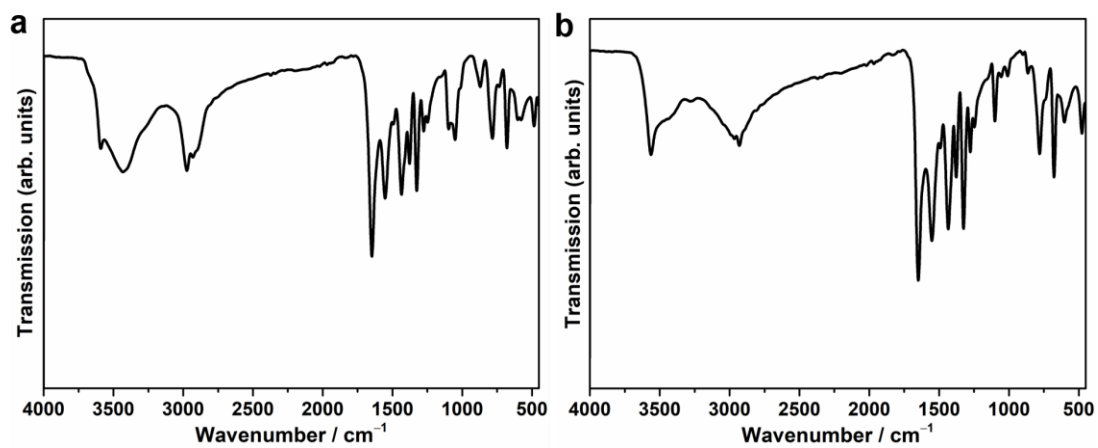
**Supplementary Figure 11.** (a) Time-dependent UV-Vis diffuse-reflectance spectra of **2** upon irradiation, which were obtained by transforming the absorption spectra; (b) The plot of relative intensity of time-dependent UV-Vis spectra at 450 nm upon light irradiation. The red solid line presented the fitted curve. The kinetics of the coloration for **2** was analyzed in order to estimate the rate of photochromism, using function  $R^{\lambda_{\text{max}}}(t) = a/(bt + 1) + R^{\lambda_{\text{max}}}(\infty)$  to fit peak of diffuse reflection versus time curve. The relative parameters are listed in supplementary Figure 11b, wherein, the constant  $a$  and  $b$  are proportionality constant,  $R^{\lambda_{\text{max}}}(\infty)$  is the peak value of diffuse reflection spectrum after complete irradiation. Furthermore, substituting  $R(t) = [R(0) + R(\infty)]/2$  into the function gives the value of half-time  $t_{1/2}$  about 12.31 min.



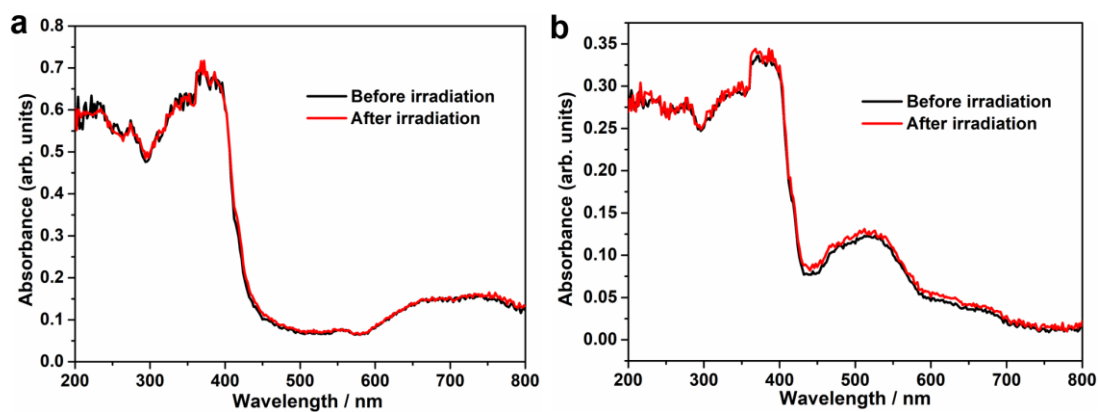
**Supplementary Figure 12.** IR plots for compounds **1** (a) and **2** (b).



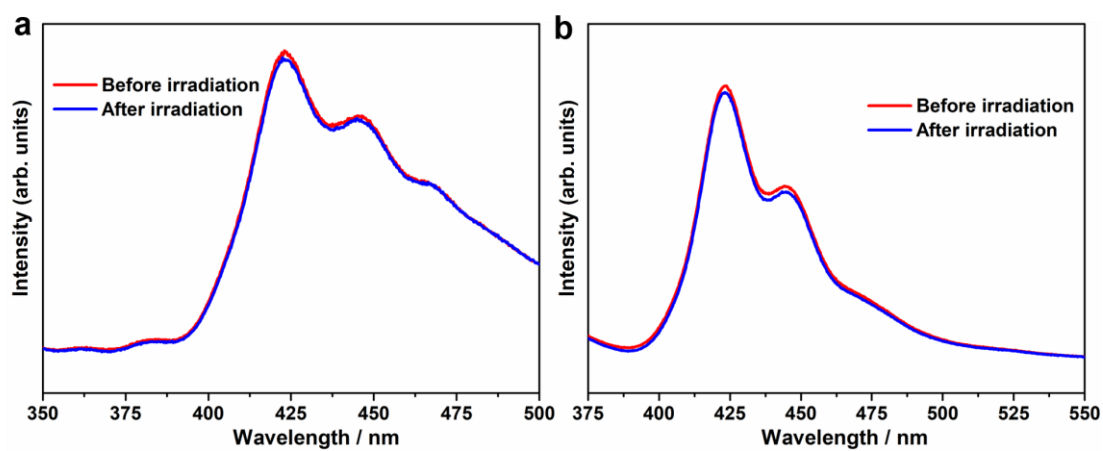
**Supplementary Figure 13.** The color of compounds **3** (a) and **4** (b) before and after Xe lamp light irradiation. As seen in the pictures, no observable photochromic phenomenon occurred in these two compounds.



**Supplementary Figure 14.** IR plots for compounds **3** (a) and **4** (b) at 293 K.

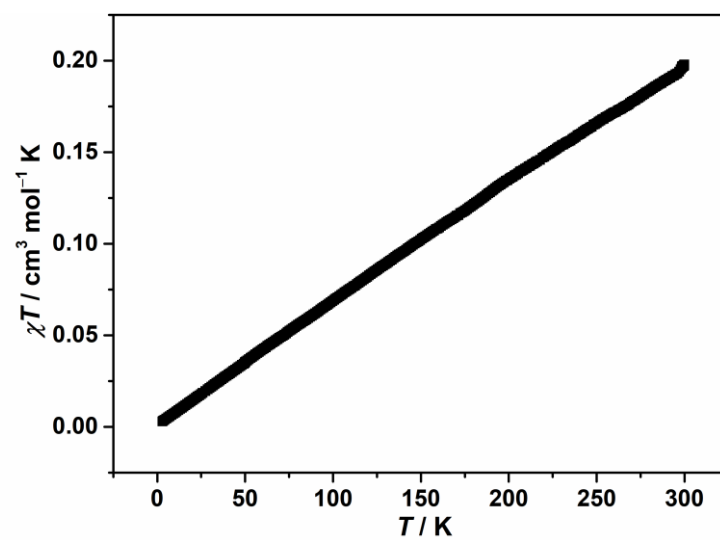


**Supplementary Figure 15.** Solid state UV-Vis spectra of compounds **3** (a) and **4** (b) before and after light irradiation. As seen in the spectra, no observable photochromic phenomenon occurred in these two compounds.



**Supplementary Figure 16.** Photoluminescent spectra of compounds **3** (a) and **4** (b) before and after light irradiation. As seen in the spectra, no observable photochromic phenomenon occurred in these two compounds.

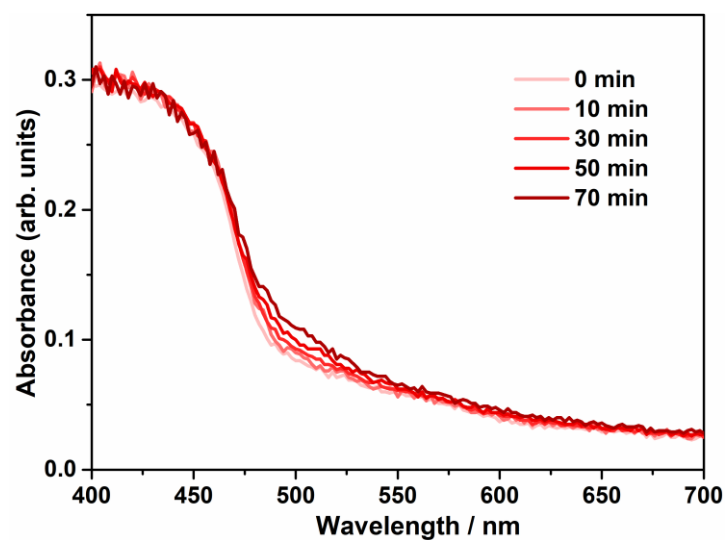




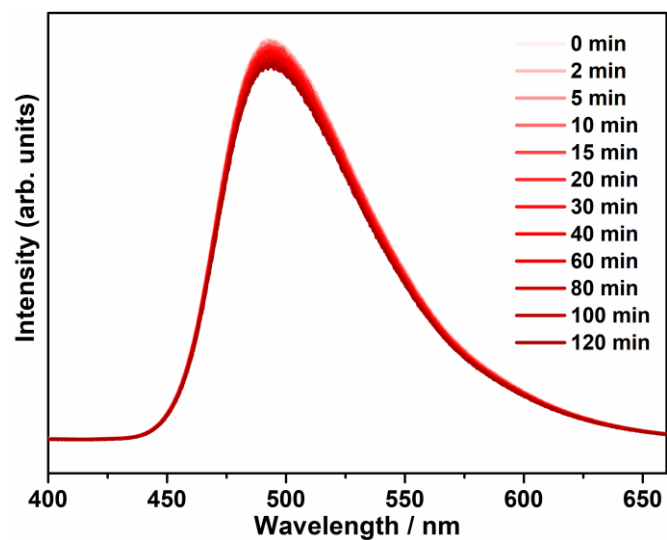
**Supplementary Figure 17.** Temperature-dependent susceptibilities of **2a** under a direct-current magnetic field of 1000 Oe.



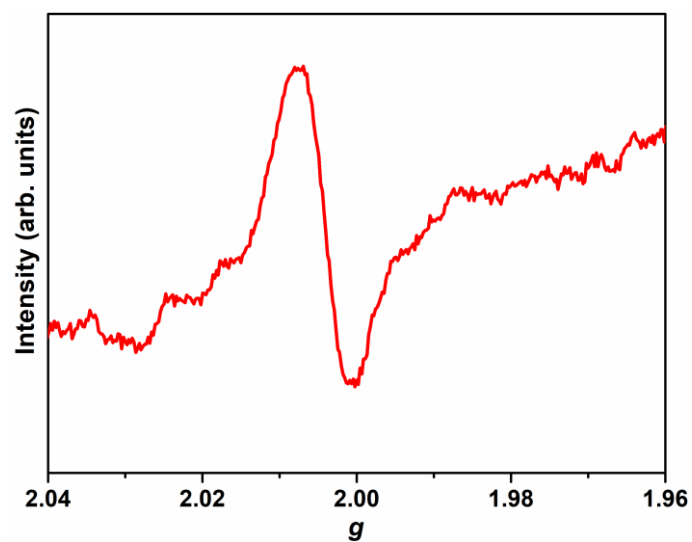
**Supplementary Figure 18.** The color changes of H<sub>2</sub>ADC after Xe lamp light irradiation.



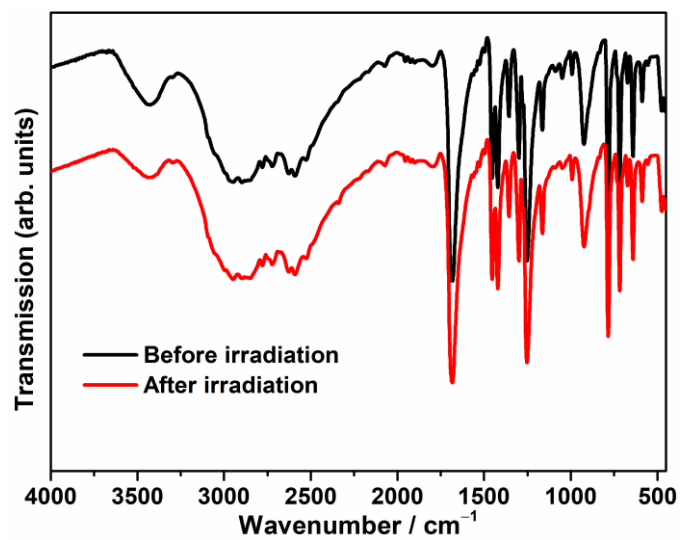
**Supplementary Figure 19.** Time-dependent UV-Vis spectra of H<sub>2</sub>ADC at solid state upon light irradiation.



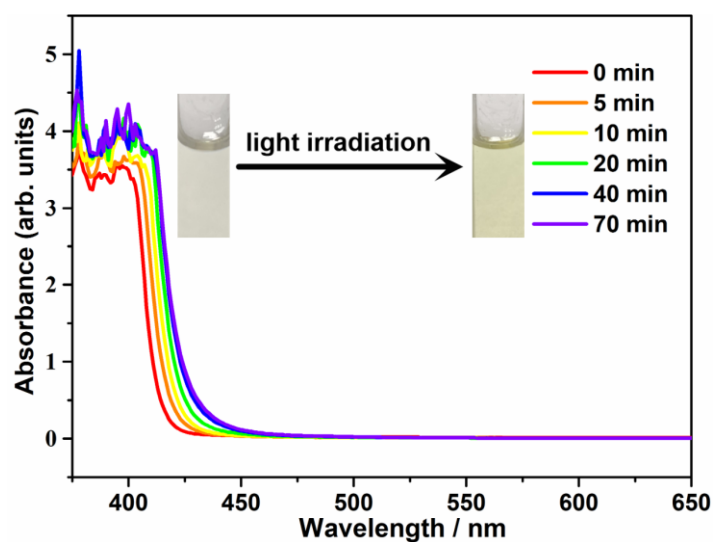
**Supplementary Figure 20.** Time-dependent photoluminescent spectra of H<sub>2</sub>ADC excited at 280 nm.



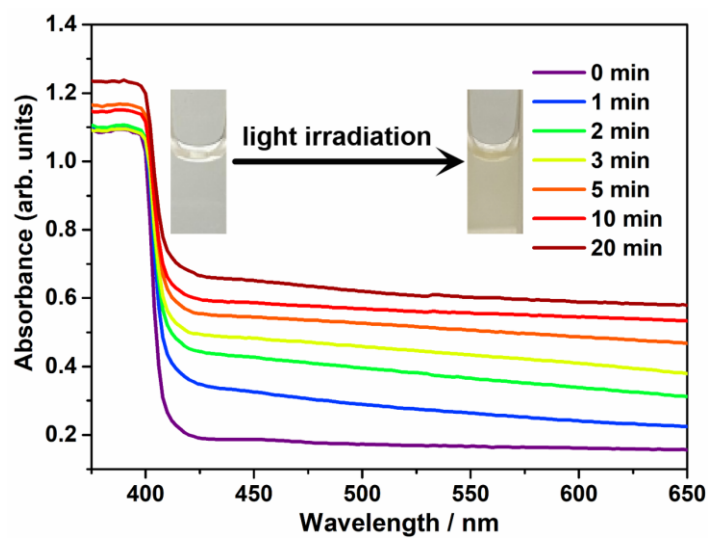
**Supplementary Figure 21.** ESR spectra of H<sub>2</sub>ADC after Xe-lamp light illumination under a frequency of 9.84 GHz.



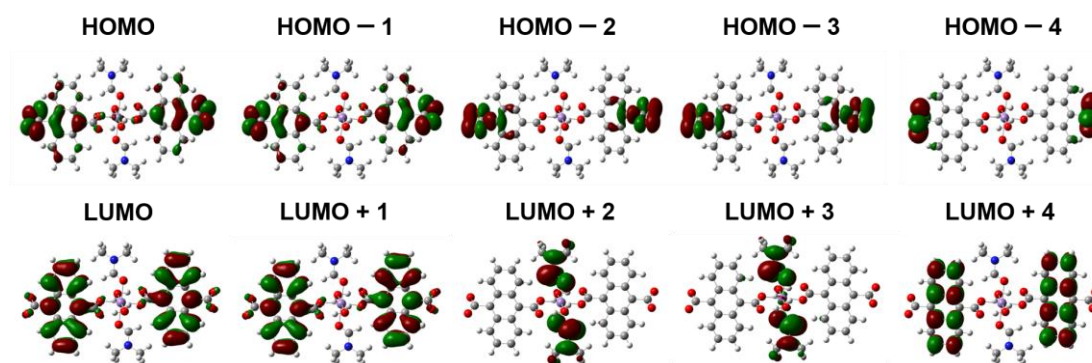
**Supplementary Figure 22.** IR plots for H<sub>2</sub>ADC at 293 K.



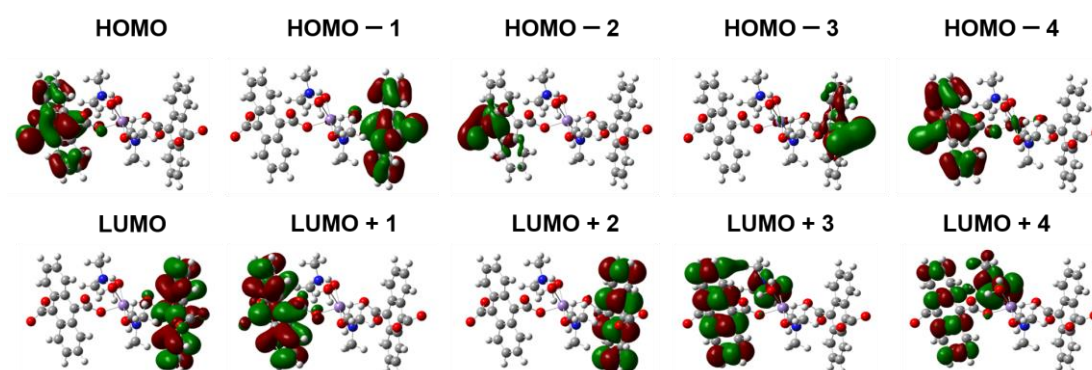
**Supplementary Figure 23.** Time-dependent UV-Vis spectra of H<sub>2</sub>ADC at DMF solvent upon light irradiation.



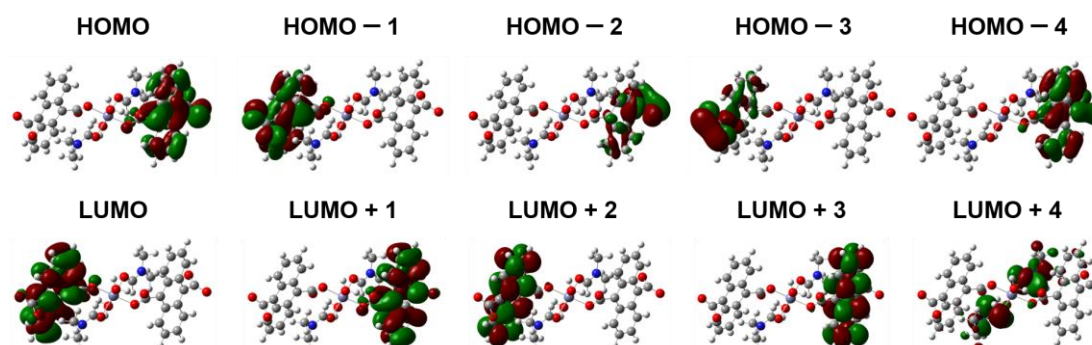
**Supplementary Figure 24.** Time-dependent UV-Vis spectra of **1** at aqueous solution upon light irradiation.



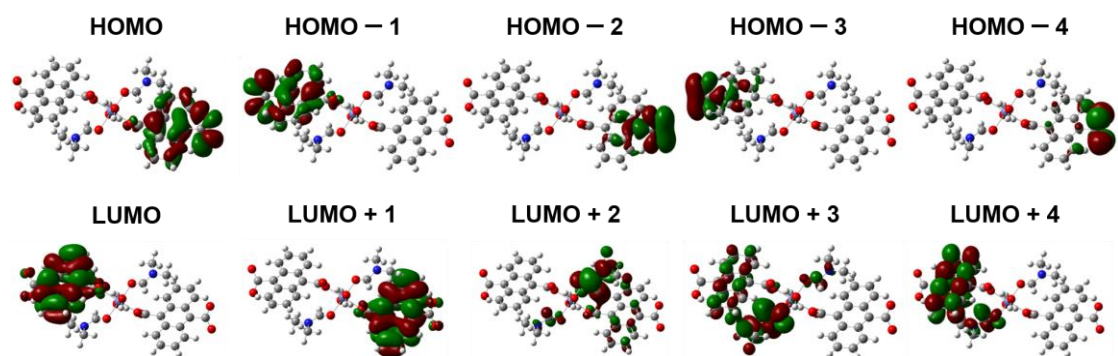
**Supplementary Figure 25.** HOMO, HOMO-1, HOMO-2, HOMO-3, HOMO-4, LUMO, LUMO+1, LUMO+2, LUMO+3 and LUMO+4 frontier molecular orbitals of compound **1** obtained by DFT calculations.



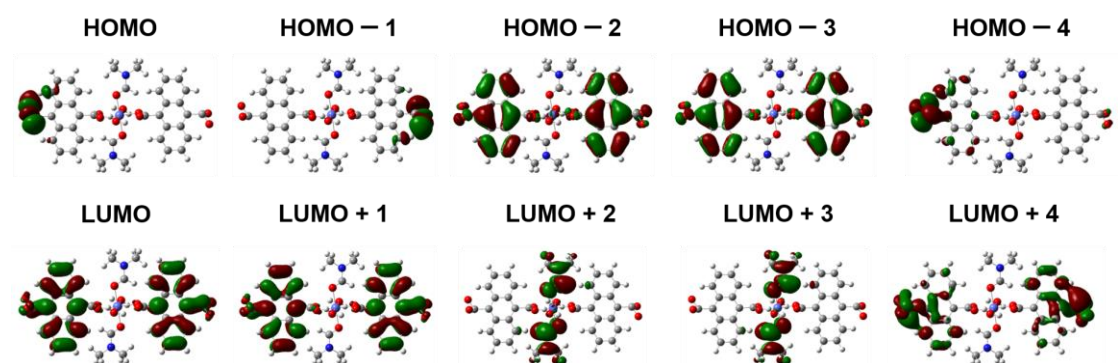
**Supplementary Figure 26.** HOMO, HOMO-1, HOMO-2, HOMO-3, HOMO-4, LUMO, LUMO+1, LUMO+2, LUMO+3 and LUMO+4 frontier molecular orbitals of compound **1a** obtained by DFT calculations.



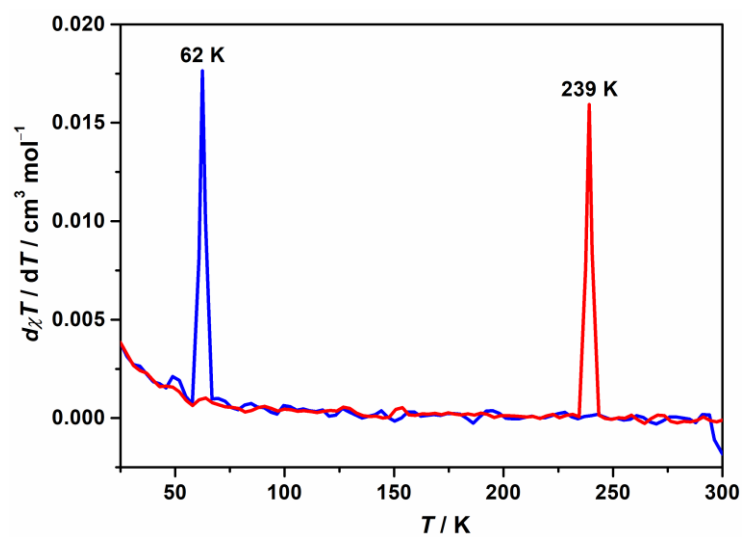
**Supplementary Figure 27.** HOMO, HOMO-1, HOMO-2, HOMO-3, HOMO-4, LUMO, LUMO+1, LUMO+2, LUMO+3 and LUMO+4 frontier molecular orbitals of compound **2** obtained by DFT calculations.



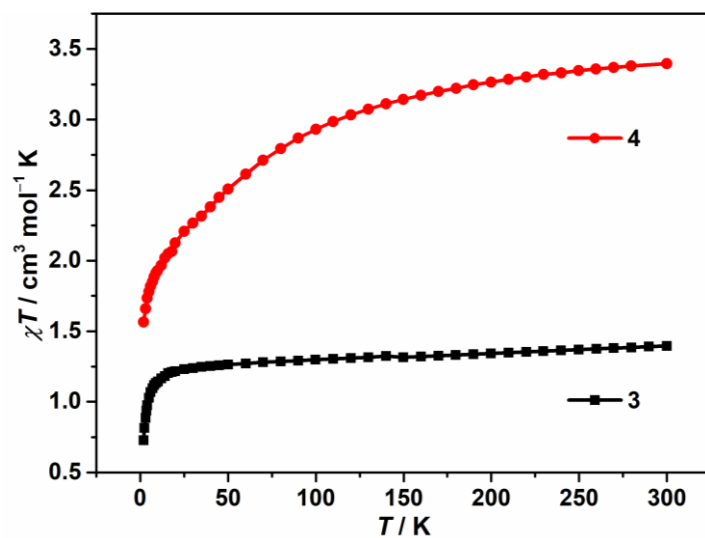
**Supplementary Figure 28.** HOMO, HOMO-1, HOMO-2, HOMO-3, HOMO-4, LUMO, LUMO+1, LUMO+2, LUMO+3 and LUMO+4 frontier molecular orbitals of compound **3** obtained by DFT calculations.



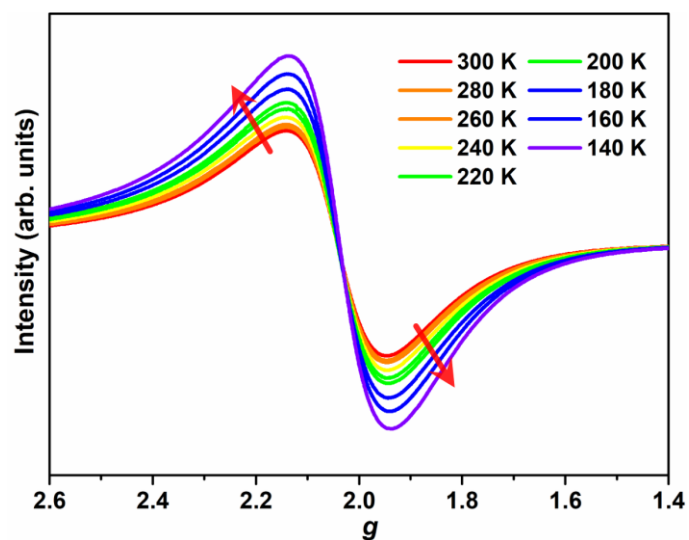
**Supplementary Figure 29.** HOMO, HOMO-1, HOMO-2, HOMO-3, HOMO-4, LUMO, LUMO+1, LUMO+2, LUMO+3 and LUMO+4 frontier molecular orbitals of compound **4** obtained by DFT calculations.



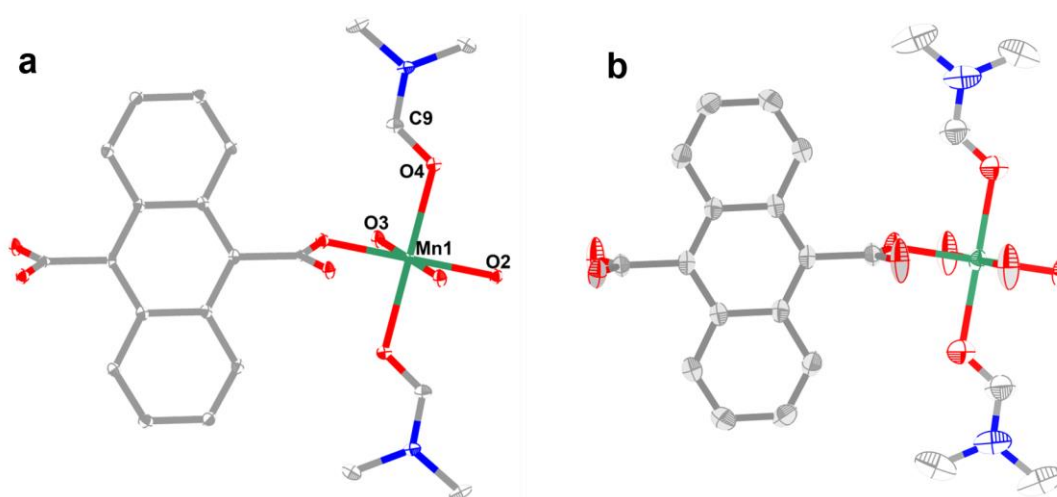
**Supplementary Figure 30.** The first order derivatives of magnetic susceptibility for **1a** in the cooling (blue) and heating (red) mode.



**Supplementary Figure 31.** Temperature-dependent susceptibilities of compounds **3** and **4** under a direct-current magnetic field of 1000 Oe.



**Supplementary Figure 32.** ESR spectra of **1** under variable temperatures in the solid state under a frequency of 9.41 GHz.



**Supplementary Figure 33.** Molecular view of **1a** at 50 K (**a**) and 300 K (**b**) with thermal ellipsoids set at 50% probability.



## Supplementary Tables

**Supplementary Table 1.** Crystallographic data for compounds **1**, **1a** and **2**.

	<b>1</b>	<b>1a (300 K)</b>	<b>1a (93 K)</b>	<b>1a (50 K)</b>	<b>2 (293 K)</b>
Formula	C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>26</sub> N <sub>2</sub> MnO <sub>8</sub>	C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>26</sub> N <sub>2</sub> MnO <sub>8</sub>	C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>26</sub> N <sub>2</sub> MnO <sub>8</sub>	C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>26</sub> N <sub>2</sub> MnO <sub>8</sub>	C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>26</sub> N <sub>2</sub> ZnO <sub>8</sub>
<i>Mr</i> (g·mol <sup>-1</sup> )	501.39	501.39	501.39	501.39	511.82
Space group	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i>	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i>	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i>	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i>	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>n</i>
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic
<i>a</i> (Å)	7.4467(5)	7.4277(8)	7.3345(3)	7.3157(5)	7.3224(6)
<i>b</i> (Å)	14.0847(8)	14.0432(15)	14.0017(6)	13.9869(10)	13.9149(10)
<i>c</i> (Å)	11.3810(6)	11.3502(11)	11.2243(5)	11.2142(7)	11.3052(9)
<i>α</i> (°)	90	90	90	90	90
<i>β</i> (°)	107.562(6)	107.531(3)	106.625(10)	106.607(2)	108.641(9)
<i>γ</i> (°)	90	90	90	90	90
<i>V</i> (Å <sup>3</sup> )	1138.05(12)	1128.9(2)	1104.34(8)	1099.62(13)	1091.46(16)
<i>Z</i>	2	2	2	2	2
<i>F</i> (000)	522	522	522	522	532
<i>D<sub>c</sub></i> (gcm <sup>-3</sup> )	1.463	1.475	1.508	1.514	1.557
<i>μ</i> (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	0.631	0.636	0.650	0.653	1.178
<i>R</i> <sub>int</sub>	0.0139	0.0349	0.0393	0.0435	0.0271
	-8 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 8	-9 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 9	-8 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 8	-8 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 8	-11 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 9
limiting indices	-16 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 14	-17 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 12	-16 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 13	-16 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 16	-20 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 17
	-13 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 13	-13 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 13	-13 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 12	-12 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 13	-14 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 17
Collected reflections	5074	12928	11650	12065	8286
Unique reflections	2008	2111	1921	1931	3687
GOF on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>	1.088	1.115	1.158	1.142	1.003
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> , <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> [ <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> )]	0.0430 0.1131	0.0479 0.1367	0.0405 0.1216	0.0273 0.0685	0.0420 0.1024
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> , <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> [all data]	0.0500 0.1197	0.0491 0.1373	0.0410 0.1218	0.0311 0.0700	0.0699 0.1203
<sup>a</sup> <i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> = ∑    <i>F</i> <sub>o</sub> -   <i>F</i> <sub>c</sub>    / ∑   <i>F</i> <sub>o</sub>  . <sup>b</sup> <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> = {∑ [w( <i>F</i> <sub>o</sub> <sup>2</sup> - <i>F</i> <sub>c</sub> <sup>2</sup> ) <sup>2</sup> ] / ∑ w( <i>F</i> <sub>o</sub> <sup>2</sup> ) <sup>2</sup> } <sup>1/2</sup> .					

**Supplementary Table 2.** Crystallographic data for compounds **3** and **4** at 293 K.

	<b>3</b>		<b>4</b>	
Formula	C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>26</sub> N <sub>2</sub> NiO <sub>8</sub>		C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>26</sub> N <sub>2</sub> CoO <sub>8</sub>	
<i>Mr</i> (g·mol <sup>-1</sup> )	505.16		505.38	
Space group	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>n</i>		<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i>	
Crystal system	Monoclinic		Monoclinic	
<i>a</i> (Å)	7.2927(10)		7.3114(5)	
<i>b</i> (Å)	13.8403(15)		13.8990(10)	
<i>c</i> (Å)	11.2599(15)		11.3171(9)	
$\alpha$ (°)	90		90	
$\beta$ (°)	108.183(15)		108.717(9)	
$\gamma$ (°)	90		90	
<i>V</i> (Å <sup>3</sup> )	1079.7(3)		1089.24(15)	
<i>Z</i>	2		2	
<i>F</i> (000)	528		526	
<i>D<sub>c</sub></i> (gcm <sup>-3</sup> )	1.554		1.541	
$\mu$ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	0.952		0.841	
<i>R</i> <sub>int</sub>	0.0589		0.0180	
	-10 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 10		-8 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 8	
limiting indices	-20 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 17		-16 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 16	
	-13 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 16		-13 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 13	
Collected reflections	7596		5809	
Unique reflections	3569		1963	
GOF on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>	1.002		1.075	
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> , <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> [ <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> )]	0.0574	0.1419	0.0299	0.0744
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> , <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> [all data]	0.0897	0.1656	0.0375	0.0799

<sup>a</sup>*R*<sub>1</sub> =  $\sum ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \sum |F_o|$ . <sup>b</sup>*wR*<sub>2</sub> =  $\{\sum [w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2] / \sum w(F_o^2)^2\}^{1/2}$ .

**Supplementary Table 3.** Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for compound **1** at 293 K.

Compound <b>1</b>			
Mn(1)-O(2)	2.1566(14)	C(3)-C(8)	1.516(3)
Mn(1)-O(2)#1	2.1566(14)	C(4)-C(5)	1.429(3)
Mn(1)-O(3)	2.1723(19)	C(5)-C(6)	1.358(3)
Mn(1)-O(3)#1	2.1723(19)	C(6)-C(7)	1.428(4)
Mn(1)-O(4)	2.2162(18)	C(8)-O(1)	1.236(3)
Mn(1)-O(4)#1	2.2162(18)	C(8)-O(2)	1.257(3)
C(1)-C(7)	1.358(3)	C(9)-O(4)	1.247(3)
C(1)-C(2)	1.430(3)	C(9)-N(1)	1.304(3)
C(2)-C(3)	1.407(3)	C(10)-N(1)	1.466(4)
C(2)-C(4)	1.446(3)	C(11)-N(1)	1.464(4)
C(3)-C(4)#2	1.404(2)		
O(2)-Mn(1)-O(2)#1	180	C(4)#2-C(3)-C(2)	121.51(19)
O(2)-Mn(1)-O(3)	91.25(7)	C(4)#2-C(3)-C(8)	118.78(16)
O(2)#1-Mn(1)-O(3)	88.75(7)	C(2)-C(3)-C(8)	119.71(16)
O(2)-Mn(1)-O(3)#1	88.75(7)	C(3)#2-C(4)-C(5)	122.64(17)
O(2)#1-Mn(1)-O(3)#1	91.25(7)	C(3)#2-C(4)-C(2)	119.15(16)
O(3)-Mn(1)-O(3)#1	180	C(5)-C(4)-C(2)	118.20(16)
O(2)-Mn(1)-O(4)	91.66(6)	C(6)-C(5)-C(4)	121.53(19)
O(2)#1-Mn(1)-O(4)	88.34(6)	C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	120.37(19)
O(3)-Mn(1)-O(4)	88.48(7)	C(1)-C(7)-C(6)	120.12(19)
O(3)#1-Mn(1)-O(4)	91.52(7)	O(1)-C(8)-O(2)	125.7(2)
O(2)-Mn(1)-O(4)#1	88.34(6)	O(1)-C(8)-C(3)	117.92(19)
O(2)#1-Mn(1)-O(4)#1	91.66(6)	O(2)-C(8)-C(3)	116.36(17)
O(3)-Mn(1)-O(4)#1	91.52(7)	O(4)-C(9)-N(1)	125.1(3)
O(3)#1-Mn(1)-O(4)#1	88.48(7)	C(9)-N(1)-C(11)	120.7(3)
O(4)-Mn(1)-O(4)#1	180	C(9)-N(1)-C(10)	120.7(3)
C(7)-C(1)-C(2)	121.61(19)	C(11)-N(1)-C(10)	118.6(3)
C(3)-C(2)-C(1)	122.50(17)	C(8)-O(2)-Mn(1)	130.68(13)
C(3)-C(2)-C(4)	119.34(16)	C(9)-O(4)-Mn(1)	122.99(19)
C(1)-C(2)-C(4)	118.16(16)		

Symmetry codes: #1 -x,-y,-z #2 -x+1,-y,-z+1.

**Supplementary Table 4.** Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for compound **1a** at 300 K.

Compound <b>1a</b> (300 K)			
Mn(1)-O(2)#1	2.1492(16)	C(3)-C(8)	1.514(3)
Mn(1)-O(2)	2.1492(16)	C(4)-C(5)	1.429(3)
Mn(1)-O(3)#1	2.166(2)	C(5)-C(6)	1.354(4)
Mn(1)-O(3)	2.166(2)	C(6)-C(7)	1.429(4)
Mn(1)-O(4)	2.208(2)	C(8)-O(1)	1.241(3)
Mn(1)-O(4)#1	2.208(2)	C(8)-O(2)	1.246(3)
C(1)-C(7)	1.356(4)	C(9)-O(4)	1.257(4)
C(1)-C(2)	1.427(3)	C(9)-N(1)	1.301(4)
C(2)-C(3)	1.403(3)	C(10)-N(1)	1.458(5)
C(2)-C(4)	1.436(3)	C(11)-N(1)	1.458(5)
C(3)-C(4)#2	1.403(3)		
O(2)#1-Mn(1)-O(2)	180	C(4)#2-C(3)-C(2)	121.4(2)
O(2)#1-Mn(1)-O(3)#1	91.27(8)	C(4)#2-C(3)-C(8)	118.77(19)
O(2)-Mn(1)-O(3)#1	88.73(8)	C(2)-C(3)-C(8)	119.83(19)
O(2)#1-Mn(1)-O(3)	88.73(8)	C(3)#2-C(4)-C(5)	122.5(2)
O(2)-Mn(1)-O(3)	91.27(8)	C(3)#2-C(4)-C(2)	119.24(19)
O(3)#1-Mn(1)-O(3)	180	C(5)-C(4)-C(2)	118.24(19)
O(2)#1-Mn(1)-O(4)	88.35(8)	C(6)-C(5)-C(4)	121.5(2)
O(2)-Mn(1)-O(4)	91.65(8)	C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	120.4(2)
O(3)#1-Mn(1)-O(4)	91.72(9)	C(1)-C(7)-C(6)	119.8(2)
O(3)-Mn(1)-O(4)	88.27(9)	O(1)-C(8)-O(2)	125.7(2)
O(2)#1-Mn(1)-O(4)#1	91.65(8)	O(1)-C(8)-C(3)	117.3(2)
O(2)-Mn(1)-O(4)#1	88.35(8)	O(2)-C(8)-C(3)	117.0(2)
O(3)#1-Mn(1)-O(4)#1	88.27(9)	O(4)-C(9)-N(1)	124.8(3)
O(3)-Mn(1)-O(4)#1	91.73(9)	C(9)-N(1)-C(11)	120.2(3)
O(4)-Mn(1)-O(4)#1	180	C(9)-N(1)-C(10)	121.3(3)
C(7)-C(1)-C(2)	121.8(2)	C(11)-N(1)-C(10)	118.5(3)
C(3)-C(2)-C(1)	122.4(2)	C(8)-O(2)-Mn(1)	131.00(16)
C(3)-C(2)-C(4)	119.35(19)	C(9)-O(4)-Mn(1)	122.4(2)
C(1)-C(2)-C(4)	118.24(19)		

Symmetry codes: #1 -x,-y,-z #2 -x+1,-y,-z+1.

**Supplementary Table 5.** Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for compound **1a** at 93 K.

Compound <b>1a</b> (93K)			
Mn(1)-O(2)#1	2.1505(17)	C(3)-C(8)	1.512(3)
Mn(1)-O(2)	2.1505(17)	C(4)-C(5)	1.434(3)
Mn(1)-O(3)#1	2.1717(17)	C(5)-C(6)	1.356(4)
Mn(1)-O(3)	2.1717(17)	C(6)-C(7)	1.434(4)
Mn(1)-O(4)#1	2.2067(18)	C(8)-O(1)	1.255(3)
Mn(1)-O(4)	2.2067(18)	C(8)-O(2)	1.261(3)
C(1)-C(7)	1.356(4)	C(9)-O(4)	1.251(3)
C(1)-C(2)	1.431(3)	C(9)-N(1)	1.318(4)
C(2)-C(3)	1.400(3)	C(10)-N(1)	1.457(4)
C(2)-C(4)	1.443(4)	C(11)-N(1)	1.455(4)
C(3)-C(4)#2	1.399(3)		
O(2)#1-Mn(1)-O(2)	180	C(4)#2-C(3)-C(2)	121.9(2)
O(2)#1-Mn(1)-O(3)#1	89.82(7)	C(4)#2-C(3)-C(8)	118.5(2)
O(2)-Mn(1)-O(3)#1	90.18(7)	C(2)-C(3)-C(8)	119.6(2)
O(2)#1-Mn(1)-O(3)	90.18(7)	C(3)#2-C(4)-C(5)	122.7(2)
O(2)-Mn(1)-O(3)	89.82(7)	C(3)#2-C(4)-C(2)	119.1(2)
O(3)#1-Mn(1)-O(3)	180	C(5)-C(4)-C(2)	118.2(2)
O(2)#1-Mn(1)-O(4)#1	92.24(7)	C(6)-C(5)-C(4)	121.5(2)
O(2)-Mn(1)-O(4)#1	87.76(7)	C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	120.3(2)
O(3)#1-Mn(1)-O(4)#1	85.59(7)	C(1)-C(7)-C(6)	120.1(2)
O(3)-Mn(1)-O(4)#1	94.41(7)	O(1)-C(8)-O(2)	125.6(2)
O(2)#1-Mn(1)-O(4)	87.76(7)	O(1)-C(8)-C(3)	117.3(2)
O(2)-Mn(1)-O(4)	92.24(7)	O(2)-C(8)-C(3)	117.1(2)
O(3)#1-Mn(1)-O(4)	94.41(7)	O(4)-C(9)-N(1)	124.9(3)
O(3)-Mn(1)-O(4)	85.59(7)	C(9)-N(1)-C(11)	121.4(2)
O(4)#1-Mn(1)-O(4)	180	C(9)-N(1)-C(10)	121.1(3)
C(7)-C(1)-C(2)	121.7(2)	C(11)-N(1)-C(10)	117.5(3)
C(3)-C(2)-C(1)	122.7(2)	C(8)-O(2)-Mn(1)	129.01(16)
C(3)-C(2)-C(4)	119.0(2)	C(9)-O(4)-Mn(1)	120.68(17)
C(1)-C(2)-C(4)	118.2(2)		

Symmetry codes: #1 -x,-y,-z #2 -x+1,-y,-z+1.

**Supplementary Table 6.** Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for compound **1a** at 50 K.

Compound <b>1a</b> (50K)			
Mn(1)-O(2)#1	2.1522(11)	C(3)-C(8)	1.512(2)
Mn(1)-O(2)	2.1522(11)	C(4)-C(5)	1.434(2)
Mn(1)-O(3)	2.1722(12)	C(5)-C(6)	1.357(2)
Mn(1)-O(3)#1	2.1722(12)	C(6)-C(7)	1.427(2)
Mn(1)-O(4)#1	2.2077(12)	C(8)-O(1)	1.254(2)
Mn(1)-O(4)	2.2077(12)	C(8)-O(2)	1.262(2)
C(1)-C(7)	1.362(2)	C(9)-O(4)	1.249(2)
C(1)-C(2)	1.433(2)	C(9)-N(1)	1.320(2)
C(2)-C(3)	1.402(2)	C(10)-N(1)	1.461(2)
C(2)-C(4)	1.435(2)	C(11)-N(1)	1.460(2)
C(3)-C(4)#2	1.405(2)		
O(2)#1-Mn(1)-O(2)	180	C(2)-C(3)-C(4)#2	121.35(16)
O(2)#1-Mn(1)-O(3)	90.40(5)	C(2)-C(3)-C(8)	119.99(15)
O(2)-Mn(1)-O(3)	89.60(5)	C(4)#2-C(3)-C(8)	118.67(15)
O(2)#1-Mn(1)-O(3)#1	89.60(5)	C(3)#2-C(4)-C(5)	122.25(15)
O(2)-Mn(1)-O(3)#1	90.40(5)	C(3)#2-C(4)-C(2)	119.20(15)
O(3)-Mn(1)-O(3)#1	180	C(5)-C(4)-C(2)	118.53(15)
O(2)#1-Mn(1)-O(4)#1	92.33(4)	C(6)-C(5)-C(4)	121.08(16)
O(2)-Mn(1)-O(4)#1	87.67(4)	C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	120.60(16)
O(3)-Mn(1)-O(4)#1	94.62(5)	C(1)-C(7)-C(6)	120.14(16)
O(3)#1-Mn(1)-O(4)#1	85.38(5)	O(1)-C(8)-O(2)	125.95(16)
O(2)#1-Mn(1)-O(4)	87.67(4)	O(1)-C(8)-C(3)	117.46(15)
O(2)-Mn(1)-O(4)	92.33(4)	O(2)-C(8)-C(3)	116.58(15)
O(3)-Mn(1)-O(4)	85.38(5)	O(4)-C(9)-N(1)	124.85(17)
O(3)#1-Mn(1)-O(4)	94.62(5)	C(9)-N(1)-C(11)	121.59(15)
O(4)#1-Mn(1)-O(4)	180	C(9)-N(1)-C(10)	120.89(15)
C(7)-C(1)-C(2)	121.23(16)	C(11)-N(1)-C(10)	117.51(15)
C(3)-C(2)-C(1)	122.11(16)	C(8)-O(2)-Mn(1)	128.39(11)
C(3)-C(2)-C(4)	119.45(15)	C(9)-O(4)-Mn(1)	120.45(11)
C(1)-C(2)-C(4)	118.43(15)		

Symmetry codes: #1 -x,-y,-z #2 -x+1,-y,-z+1.

**Supplementary Table 7.** Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for compound **2** at 293 K.

Compound <b>2</b>			
Zn(1)-O(2)#1	2.0572(13)	C(3)-C(8)	1.505(2)
Zn(1)-O(2)	2.0572(13)	C(4)-C(5)	1.429(2)
Zn(1)-O(3)#1	2.0876(16)	C(5)-C(6)	1.353(3)
Zn(1)-O(3)	2.0877(16)	C(6)-C(7)	1.412(3)
Zn(1)-O(4)#1	2.1381(16)	C(8)-O(1)	1.239(2)
Zn(1)-O(4)	2.1382(16)	C(8)-O(2)	1.253(2)
C(1)-C(7)#2	1.350(3)	C(9)-O(4)	1.236(3)
C(1)-C(2)	1.428(2)	C(9)-N(1)	1.294(3)
C(2)-C(3)	1.395(2)	C(10)-N(1)	1.457(3)
C(2)-C(4)#2	1.432(2)	C(11)-N(1)	1.454(3)
C(3)-C(4)	1.399(2)		
O(2)#1-Zn(1)-O(2)	180.000(10)	C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	121.14(15)
O(2)#1-Zn(1)-O(3)#1	88.90(6)	C(2)-C(3)-C(8)	119.81(13)
O(2)-Zn(1)-O(3)#1	91.10(6)	C(4)-C(3)-C(8)	119.05(13)
O(2)#1-Zn(1)-O(3)	91.10(6)	C(3)-C(4)-C(5)	122.08(14)
O(2)-Zn(1)-O(3)	88.90(6)	C(3)-C(4)-C(2)#2	119.32(13)
O(3)#1-Zn(1)-O(3)	180	C(5)-C(4)-C(2)#2	118.60(13)
O(2)#1-Zn(1)-O(4)#1	93.02(6)	C(6)-C(5)-C(4)	120.91(16)
O(2)-Zn(1)-O(4)#1	86.98(6)	C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	120.72(16)
O(3)#1-Zn(1)-O(4)#1	87.93(7)	C(1)#2-C(7)-C(6)	120.24(16)
O(3)-Zn(1)-O(4)#1	92.07(7)	O(1)-C(8)-O(2)	126.23(17)
O(2)#1-Zn(1)-O(4)	86.98(6)	O(1)-C(8)-C(3)	118.09(17)
O(2)-Zn(1)-O(4)	93.02(6)	O(2)-C(8)-C(3)	115.67(16)
O(3)#1-Zn(1)-O(4)	92.07(7)	O(4)-C(9)-N(1)	125.7(3)
O(3)-Zn(1)-O(4)	87.93(7)	C(9)-N(1)-C(11)	121.2(2)
O(4)#1-Zn(1)-O(4)	180	C(9)-N(1)-C(10)	120.9(2)
C(7)#2-C(1)-C(2)	121.66(16)	C(11)-N(1)-C(10)	117.8(3)
C(3)-C(2)-C(1)	122.60(14)	C(8)-O(2)-Zn(1)	130.05(12)
C(3)-C(2)-C(4)#2	119.54(13)	C(9)-O(4)-Zn(1)	121.56(17)
C(1)-C(2)-C(4)#2	117.86(14)		

Symmetry codes: #1 -x+1,-y,-z+1 #2 -x+1,-y,-z+2.

**Supplementary Table 8.** Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for compound **3** at 293 K.

Compound <b>3</b>			
Ni(1)-O(2)#1	2.0366(17)	C(3)-C(8)	1.504(3)
Ni(1)-O(2)	2.0366(17)	C(4)-C(5)	1.425(3)
Ni(1)-O(3)#1	2.055(2)	C(5)-C(6)	1.355(3)
Ni(1)-O(3)	2.055(2)	C(6)-C(7)	1.410(4)
Ni(1)-O(4)#1	2.0815(19)	C(8)-O(1)	1.240(3)
Ni(1)-O(4)	2.0816(19)	C(8)-O(2)	1.259(3)
C(1)-C(7)	1.356(3)	C(9)-O(4)	1.237(3)
C(1)-C(2)	1.428(3)	C(9)-N(1)	1.301(4)
C(2)-C(3)	1.398(3)	C(10)-N(1)	1.450(4)
C(2)-C(4)	1.429(3)	C(11)-N(1)	1.464(4)
C(3)-C(4)#2	1.401(3)		
O(2)#1-Ni(1)-O(2)	180	C(2)-C(3)-C(4)#2	121.1(2)
O(2)#1-Ni(1)-O(3)#1	91.71(8)	C(2)-C(3)-C(8)	120.16(17)
O(2)-Ni(1)-O(3)#1	88.28(8)	C(4)#2-C(3)-C(8)	118.71(17)
O(2)#1-Ni(1)-O(3)	88.29(8)	C(3)#2-C(4)-C(5)	122.19(19)
O(2)-Ni(1)-O(3)	91.71(8)	C(3)#2-C(4)-C(2)	119.13(17)
O(3)#1-Ni(1)-O(3)	180	C(5)-C(4)-C(2)	118.67(18)
O(2)#1-Ni(1)-O(4)#1	93.30(7)	C(6)-C(5)-C(4)	121.1(2)
O(2)-Ni(1)-O(4)#1	86.70(7)	C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	120.5(2)
O(3)#1-Ni(1)-O(4)#1	92.30(8)	C(1)-C(7)-C(6)	120.4(2)
O(3)-Ni(1)-O(4)#1	87.70(8)	O(1)-C(8)-O(2)	126.5(2)
O(2)#1-Ni(1)-O(4)	86.70(7)	O(1)-C(8)-C(3)	118.0(2)
O(2)-Ni(1)-O(4)	93.30(7)	O(2)-C(8)-C(3)	115.5(2)
O(3)#1-Ni(1)-O(4)	87.69(8)	O(4)-C(9)-N(1)	125.3(3)
O(3)-Ni(1)-O(4)	92.31(8)	C(9)-N(1)-C(10)	121.3(3)
O(4)#1-Ni(1)-O(4)	180	C(9)-N(1)-C(11)	120.9(3)
C(7)-C(1)-C(2)	121.4(2)	C(10)-N(1)-C(11)	117.8(3)
C(3)-C(2)-C(4)	119.75(17)	C(8)-O(2)-Ni(1)	129.63(15)
C(3)-C(2)-C(1)	122.26(19)	C(9)-O(4)-Ni(1)	121.2(2)
C(4)-C(2)-C(1)	117.99(18)		

Symmetry codes: #1 -x+1,-y,-z+1 #2 -x+1,-y,-z.



**Supplementary Table 9.** Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for compound **4** at 293 K.

Compound <b>4</b>			
Co(1)-O(2)#1	2.0725(14)	C(3)-C(8)	1.502(3)
Co(1)-O(2)	2.0726(14)	C(4)-C(5)	1.426(3)
Co(1)-O(3)#1	2.0773(15)	C(5)-C(6)	1.352(3)
Co(1)-O(3)	2.0773(15)	C(6)-C(7)	1.412(3)
Co(1)-O(4)	2.1199(15)	C(8)-O(1)	1.241(2)
Co(1)-O(4)#1	2.1199(15)	C(8)-O(2)	1.251(2)
C(1)-C(7)	1.351(3)	C(9)-O(4)	1.239(3)
C(1)-C(2)	1.423(3)	C(9)-N(1)	1.306(3)
C(2)-C(3)	1.400(2)	C(10)-N(1)	1.453(3)
C(2)-C(4)	1.428(3)	C(11)-N(1)	1.458(3)
C(3)-C(4)#2	1.399(2)		
O(2)#1-Co(1)-O(2)	180.00(8)	C(4)#2-C(3)-C(2)	121.10(17)
O(2)#1-Co(1)-O(3)#1	90.59(6)	C(4)#2-C(3)-C(8)	118.99(15)
O(2)-Co(1)-O(3)#1	89.41(6)	C(2)-C(3)-C(8)	119.90(15)
O(2)#1-Co(1)-O(3)	89.41(6)	C(3)#2-C(4)-C(5)	122.27(17)
O(2)-Co(1)-O(3)	90.59(6)	C(3)#2-C(4)-C(2)	119.33(15)
O(3)#1-Co(1)-O(3)	180	C(5)-C(4)-C(2)	118.39(16)
O(2)#1-Co(1)-O(4)	93.08(6)	C(6)-C(5)-C(4)	121.22(19)
O(2)-Co(1)-O(4)	86.92(6)	C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	120.50(18)
O(3)#1-Co(1)-O(4)	92.54(7)	C(1)-C(7)-C(6)	120.08(18)
O(3)-Co(1)-O(4)	87.46(7)	O(1)-C(8)-O(2)	126.18(18)
O(2)#1-Co(1)-O(4)#1	86.92(6)	O(1)-C(8)-C(3)	117.86(17)
O(2)-Co(1)-O(4)#1	93.08(6)	O(2)-C(8)-C(3)	115.96(16)
O(3)#1-Co(1)-O(4)#1	87.46(7)	O(4)-C(9)-N(1)	125.2(3)
O(3)-Co(1)-O(4)#1	92.54(7)	C(9)-N(1)-C(10)	121.0(2)
O(4)-Co(1)-O(4)#1	180	C(9)-N(1)-C(11)	120.7(3)
C(7)-C(1)-C(2)	121.77(19)	C(10)-N(1)-C(11)	118.3(2)
C(3)-C(2)-C(1)	122.40(17)	C(8)-O(2)-Co(1)	130.02(12)
C(3)-C(2)-C(4)	119.56(15)	C(9)-O(4)-Co(1)	121.43(17)
C(1)-C(2)-C(4)	118.03(16)		

Symmetry codes: #1 -x,-y+1,-z+1 #2 -x+1,-y+1,-z+2.

**Supplementary Table 10.** Continuous Shape Measure (CShM) analyses of geometries for compounds **1–4** by SHAPE 2.0 Software.

Geometry	<b>1</b>	<b>1a (300 K)</b>	<b>1a (93 K)</b>	<b>1a (50 K)</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
Hexagon ( $D_{6h}$ )	32.607	32.541	30.719	30.519	30.951	30.508	30.933
Pentagonal pyramid ( $C_{5v}$ )	29.948	29.921	29.098	29.012	29.050	28.944	29.191
Octahedron ( $O_h$ )	0.047	0.050	0.136	0.149	0.101	0.107	0.095
Trigonal prism ( $D_{3h}$ )	16.257	16.233	16.090	16.089	16.346	16.363	16.220
Johnson pentagonal pyramid J2 ( $C_{5v}$ )	33.393	33.371	32.439	32.342	32.310	32.234	32.543

**Supplementary Table 11.** The H-bond lengths (Å) for **1** at 293 K.

D–H $\cdots$ A	$d$ (D–H) (Å)	$d$ (H $\cdots$ A) (Å)	$d$ (D $\cdots$ A) (Å)	$\angle$ (DHA) (deg)
O(3)–H(3A) $\cdots$ O(1)	0.85	1.85	2.677(3)	164
O(3)–H(3B) $\cdots$ O(1)	0.85	2.04	2.754(3)	142

**Supplementary Table 12.** The H-bond lengths (Å) for **1a** at 300 K.

D–H $\cdots$ A	$d$ (D–H) (Å)	$d$ (H $\cdots$ A) (Å)	$d$ (D $\cdots$ A) (Å)	$\angle$ (DHA) (deg)
O(3)–H(3A) $\cdots$ O(1)	0.85	1.92	2.673(3)	146
O(3)–H(3B) $\cdots$ O(1)	0.85	2.18	2.748(3)	125

**Supplementary Table 13.** The H-bond lengths (Å) for **1a** at 93 K.

D–H $\cdots$ A	$d$ (D–H) (Å)	$d$ (H $\cdots$ A) (Å)	$d$ (D $\cdots$ A) (Å)	$\angle$ (DHA) (deg)
O(3)–H(3A) $\cdots$ O(1)	0.85	1.84	2.678(3)	166
O(3)–H(3B) $\cdots$ O(1)	0.85	2.06	2.745(3)	138

**Supplementary Table 14.** The H-bond lengths (Å) for **1a** at 50 K.

D–H $\cdots$ A	$d$ (D–H) (Å)	$d$ (H $\cdots$ A) (Å)	$d$ (D $\cdots$ A) (Å)	$\angle$ (DHA) (deg)
O(3)–H(3A) $\cdots$ O(1)	0.85	1.83	2.679(17)	169
O(3)–H(3B) $\cdots$ O(1)	0.85	2.01	2.745(18)	145

**Supplementary Table 15.** The H-bond lengths (Å) for **2** at 293 K.

D–H $\cdots$ A	$d$ (D–H) (Å)	$d$ (H $\cdots$ A) (Å)	$d$ (D $\cdots$ A) (Å)	$\angle$ (DHA) (deg)
O(3)–H(3A) $\cdots$ O(1)	0.85	1.83	2.644(2)	160
O(3)–H(3B) $\cdots$ O(1)	0.85	2.21	2.814(2)	128

**Supplementary Table 16.** The complexes with the width of thermal hysteresis loops larger than 100 K.

Molecular formula	$T_{1/2\downarrow}$	$T_{1/2\uparrow}$	$\Delta T$	reproducible	reference
Rb <sub>0.73</sub> Mn[Fe(CN) <sub>6</sub> ] <sub>0.91</sub> ·1.4H <sub>2</sub> O	147 K	262 K	116 K	√	1
[FeL <sub>2</sub> ](BF <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	350 K	495 K	145 K	√	2
Rb <sup>I</sup> <sub>0.64</sub> Mn <sup>II</sup> ·[Fe <sup>III</sup> (CN) <sub>6</sub> ] <sub>0.88</sub> ·1.7H <sub>2</sub> O	165 K	303 K	138 K	√	3
[Fe(bpp) <sub>2</sub> ](CF <sub>3</sub> SO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ·H <sub>2</sub> O	147 K	285 K	138 K	√	4
Rb <sub>0.94</sub> Mn[Fe(CN) <sub>6</sub> ] <sub>0.98</sub> ·2.5H <sub>2</sub> O	185 K	300 K	115 K	√	5
[FeL <sub>2</sub> ](BF <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ·xH <sub>2</sub> O	360 K	490 K	130 K	×	6
Co(py <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> (3,6-DBQ) <sub>2</sub>	100 K	330 K	230 K	×	7
[Fe(qsal) <sub>2</sub> ]NCSe·MeOH	212 K	352 K	140 K	×	8
[Fe(qsal) <sub>2</sub> ]NCSe·CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	212 K	392 K	180 K	×	8
[Fe(hyetrz) <sub>3</sub> ](anion) <sub>2</sub> ·3H <sub>2</sub> O	100 K	370 K	270 K	×	9
[Fe(qsal-I) <sub>2</sub> ]OTf·EtOH	139 K	252 K	113 K	×	10
[Co(C12-terpy) <sub>2</sub> ](BF <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	258 K	≥ 400 K	≥ 142 K	×	11
[Fe(qsal) <sub>2</sub> ]NCSe·DMSO	209 K	324 K	115 K	×	12
[Fe(qnal-OMe) <sub>2</sub> ]BPh <sub>4</sub> ·2MeOH	194 K	304 K	110 K	×	13
[Fe(1-BPP-COOC <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ](ClO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ·CH <sub>3</sub> CN	183 K	284 K	101 K	×	14

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