Title: Data to support Activating a High-Spin Iron(II) Complex to Thermal Spin-Crossover with an Inert Non-Isomorphous Molecular Dopant

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Description: [Fe(bpp)₂][ClO₄]₂ (bpp = 2,6-bis{pyrazol-1-yl}pyridine; monoclinic, *C2/c*) is high-spin between 5-300 K, and crystallises with a highly distorted molecular geometry that lies along the octahedral-trigonal prismatic distortion pathway. In contrast, [Ni(bpp)₂][ClO₄]₂ (monoclinic, *P*₂₁) adopts a more regular, near-octahedral coordination geometry. Slowly crystallised solid solutions [Fe_xNi_{1-x}(bpp)₂][ClO₄]₂ with *x* = 0.53 (**1a**) and 0.74 (**2a**) adopt the *P*₂₁ lattice, while x = 0.87 (**3a**) and 0.94 (**4a**) are mixed-phase materials with the high-spin *C2/c* phase as the major component. These materials exhibit thermal spin-transitions at *T*_{1/2} = 250 ±1 K which occurs gradually in **1a**, and abruptly and with narrow thermal hysteresis in **2a-4a**. The transition proceeds to 100 % completeness in **1a** and **2a**; that is, the 26 % Ni doping in **2a** is enough to convert high-spin [Fe(bpp)₂][ClO₄]₂ into a fully SCO-active material. Rapidly precipitated powders with the same compositions behave similarly, but contain a fraction of amorphous material in addition to the two crystal phases when x ≥ 0.74.

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3. PROJECT AND FUNDING INFORMATION

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4. CONTENTS

The dataset contains data for this study:

Elemental microanalyses (*microanalysis.zip*).

Scanning Electron Microscopy images and EDX element maps (EDX.zip)

X-ray powder diffraction data (measured and simulated – *XRPD*.zip).

Solid state magnetic susceptibility measurements (raw and processed data – SQUID.zip).

X-ray Crystallographic data (crystal.zip):

- Structure of [Ni(bpp)₂][ClO₄]₂ at 120 K (CCDC 2332656)
- Structure of [Fe(bpp)₂][ClO₄]₂ at 300 K (CCDC 2332657)
- Structure of [Fe(bpp)₂][PF₆]₂ at 300 K (CCDC 2332658)
- Structure of **1a** at 300 K (CCDC 2332659)
- Structure of **1a** at 100 K (CCDC 2332660)
- Structure of **2a** at 100 K (CCDC 2332661)
- Variable temperature unit cell data for **1a**
- Variable temperature unit cell data for 2a

Density functional theory (DFT) calculations (SPARTAN files – DFT.zip).

5. METHODS

Full details are provided in the related publication, listed above.

Compounds referred to in this dataset



 $\label{eq:constraint} \begin{array}{l} [Fe(bpp)_2][CIO_4]_2\\ Bis[di(pyrazol-1-yl)pyridine]iron(II) \ diperchlorate\\ C_{22}H_{18}CI_2FeN_{10}O_8 \end{array}$



 $\label{eq:constraint} \begin{array}{l} [Fe(bpp)_2][PF_6]_2\\ Bis[di(pyrazol-1-yl)pyridine]iron(II) \ di(hexafluorophosphate)\\ C_{22}H_{18}F_{12}FeN_{10}P_2 \end{array}$



 $\label{eq:constraint} \begin{array}{l} [Fe(bpp)_2][CF_3SO_3]_2\\ Bis[di(pyrazol-1-yl)pyridine]iron(II) \ di(trifluoromethanesulfonate)\\ C_{24}H_{18}F_6FeN_{10}O_6S_2 \end{array}$



 $\label{eq:states} \begin{array}{l} [\text{Ni}(\text{bpp})_2][\text{CIO}_4]_2\\ \text{Bis}[\text{di}(\text{pyrazol-1-yl})\text{pyridine}]\text{nickel}(\text{II}) \ \text{diperchlorate}\\ C_{22}H_{18}\text{Cl}_2N_{10}\text{NiO}_8 \end{array}$

Compounds referred to in this dataset (continued)



 $\label{eq:starses} \begin{array}{l} [Ni(bpp)_2][PF_6]_2\\ Bis[di(pyrazol-1-yl)pyridine]nickel(II) \ di(hexafluorophosphate)\\ C_{22}H_{18}F_{12}N_{10}NiP_2 \end{array}$



 $\label{eq:stars} \begin{array}{l} [\text{Ni}(\text{bpp})_2][\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3]_2\\ \text{Bis}[\text{di}(\text{pyrazol-1-yl})\text{pyridine}]\text{nickel}(\text{II}) \ \text{di}(\text{trifluoromethanesulfonate})\\ C_{24}H_{18}F_6N_{10}\text{NiO}_6S_2 \end{array}$



x = 0.53 (slowly crystallised), **1a**

x = 0.52 (rapidly precipiated), **1b**

x = 0.74 (slowly crystallised), **2a**

- x = 0.74 (rapidly precipiated), **2b** x = 0.87 (slowly crystallised), **3a**
- x = 0.88 (rapidly precipiated), **3b**
- x = 0.94 (slowly crystallised), **4a**
- x = 0.93 (rapidly precipiated), **4b**

Complex cations studied by DFT calculations



$$\label{eq:constraint} \begin{split} & [Fe(bpp)_2]^{2+} \\ Bis[di(pyrazol-1-yl)pyridine]iron(II) \\ & C_{22}H_{18}FeN_{10} \end{split}$$



$$\label{eq:magnetic} \begin{split} & [Mn(bpp)_2]^{2+} \\ Bis[di(pyrazol-1-yl)pyridine]manganese(II) \\ & C_{22}H_{18}MnN_{10} \end{split}$$



$$\label{eq:constraint} \begin{split} & \left[\text{Co}(\text{bpp})_2\right]^{2+}\\ & \text{Bis}[\text{di}(\text{pyrazol-1-yl})\text{pyridine}]\text{cobalt(II)}\\ & \quad \text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{CoN}_{10} \end{split}$$



$$\label{eq:linear} \begin{split} & \left[\text{Ni}(\text{bpp})_2\right]^{2+}\\ & \text{Bis}[\text{di}(\text{pyrazol-1-yl})\text{pyridine}]\text{nickel}(\text{II})\\ & \text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_{10}\text{Ni} \end{split}$$

Complex cations studied by DFT calculations (continued)



$$\label{eq:cu(bpp)_2]^{2+}} \begin{split} & [Cu(bpp)_2]^{2+} \\ Bis[di(pyrazol-1-yl)pyridine]copper(II) \\ & C_{22}H_{18}CuN_{10} \end{split}$$



$$\label{eq:constraint} \begin{split} & [Zn(bpp)_2]^{2+}\\ Bis[di(pyrazol-1-yl)pyridine]zinc(II)\\ & C_{22}H_{18}N_{10}Zn \end{split}$$



$$\label{eq:relation} \begin{split} & [Ru(bpp)_2]^{2+} \\ Bis[di(pyrazol-1-yl)pyridine]ruthenium(II) \\ & C_{22}H_{18}N_{10}Ru \end{split}$$