

## **High proton conductivity behavior in a 2D metal sulfite constructed from a histidine ligand**

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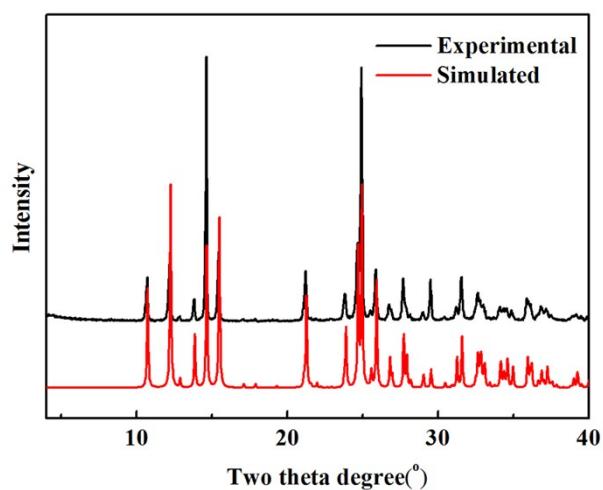
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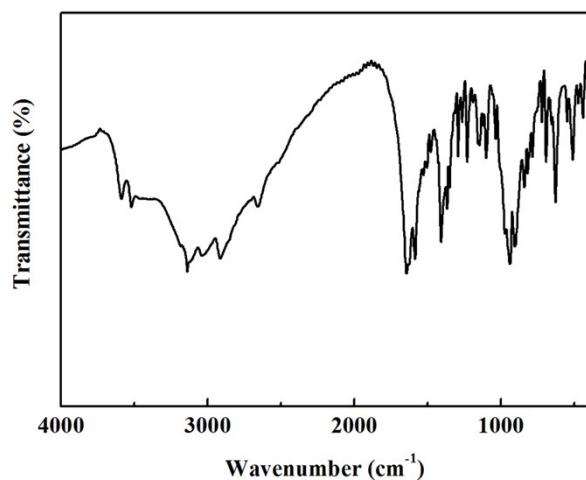
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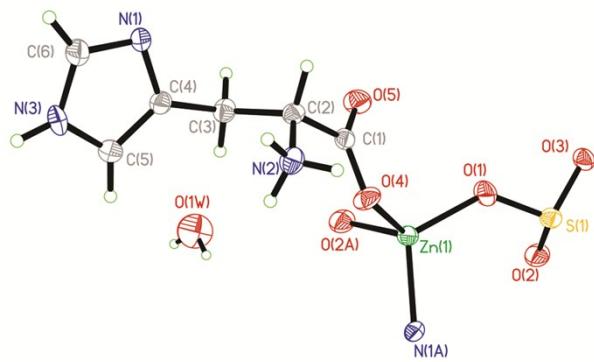
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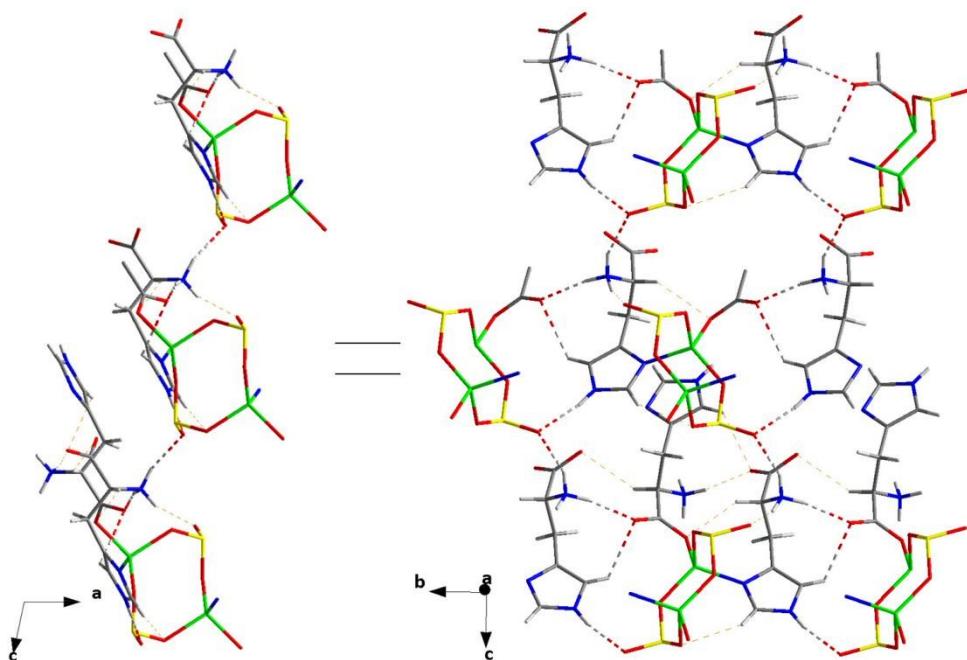
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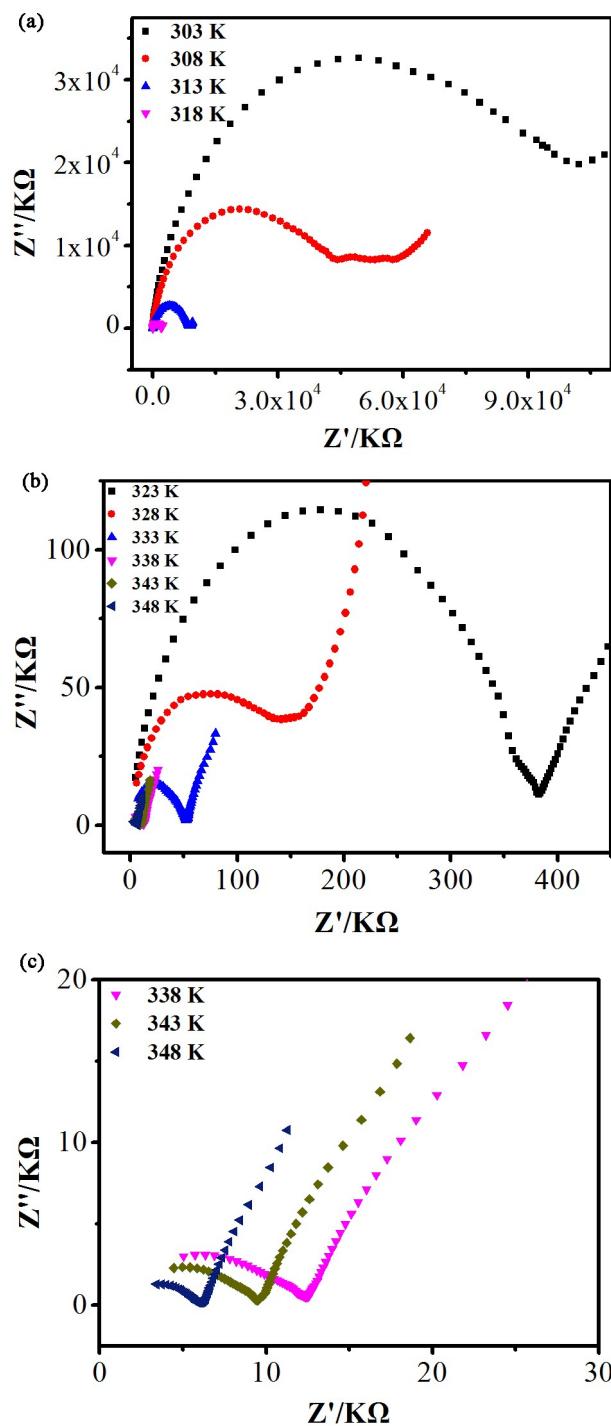
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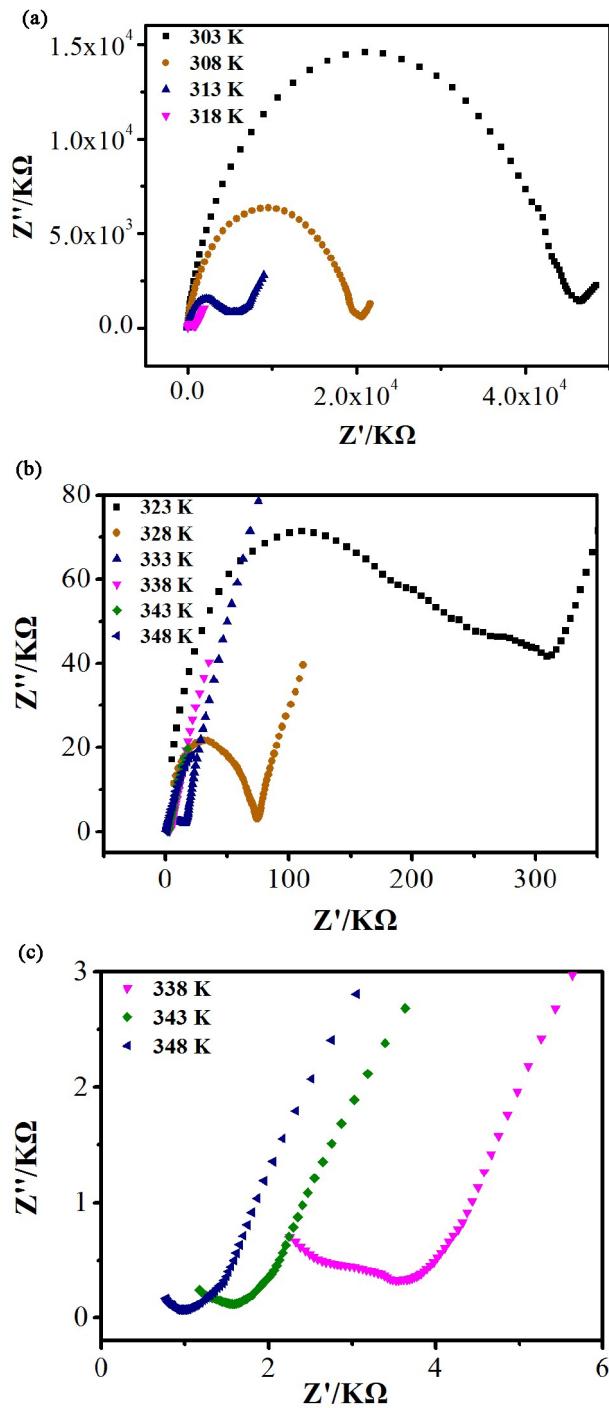
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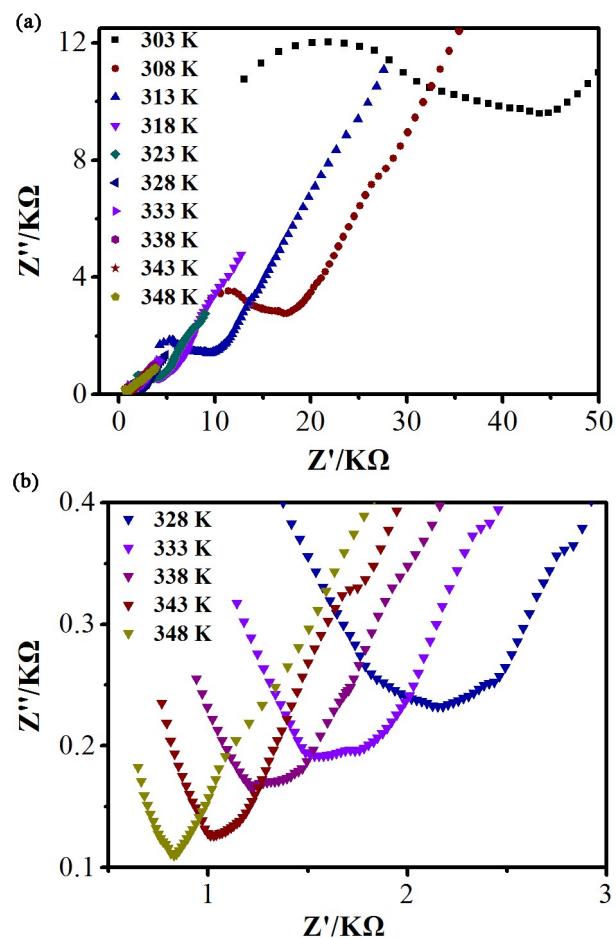
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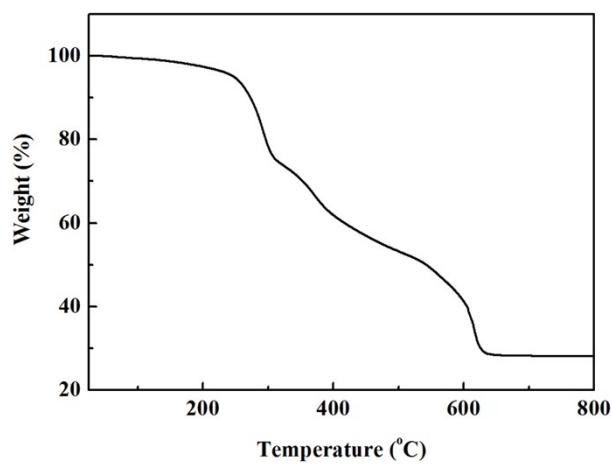
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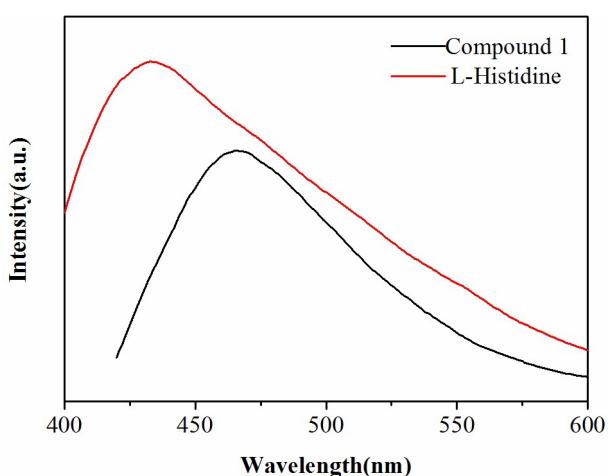
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**Table S1.** Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [deg.] for compound **1**.

Zn1-O1	1.9247(18)	Zn1-O2 <sup>a</sup>	1.973(2)
Zn1-O4	1.9853(19)	Zn1-N1	1.989(2)
S1-O1	1.5362(19)	S1-O2	1.527(2)
S1-O3	1.5167(18)		
O1-Zn1-O4	112.68(8)	O1-Zn1-O2 <sup>a</sup>	111.21(9)
O1-Zn1-N1 <sup>b</sup>	115.53(8)	O2 <sup>a</sup> -Zn1-O4	102.49(8)
O4-Zn1-N1 <sup>b</sup>	107.54(8)	O2 <sup>a</sup> -Zn1-N1 <sup>b</sup>	106.40(8)
O1-S1-O2	105.12(12)	O1-S1-O3	102.87(10)
O2-S1-O3	106.49(11)	Zn1-O1-S1	132.57(11)
Zn1 <sup>a</sup> -O2-S1	125.46(12)	Zn1-C1-O4	117.34(17)
C4-N1-C6	105.9(2)	Zn1 <sup>c</sup> -N1-C4	129.32(17)
Zn1 <sup>c</sup> -N1-C6	123.62(19)		

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: <sup>a</sup> 1-x, 1-y, 1-z; <sup>b</sup> 3/2-x, -1/2+y, 3/2-z;  
<sup>c</sup> 3/2-x, 1/2+y, 3/2-z.

**Table S2** Hydrogen bonds for compound **1** [Å and deg.].

D-H...A	d(D-H)	d(H...A)	D(D...A)	<DHA
O1W-H1W…O5	0.85	2.13	2.828(2)	138.0
N2-H2A…O5	0.89	1.97	2.848(3)	168.0
N2-H2B…O3	0.89	1.92	2.770(3)	159.0
N2-H2C…O3	0.89	2.06	2.877(3)	152.0
N3-H3…O3	0.86	1.94	2.791(3)	168.0
C2-H2…O4	0.98	2.55	3.288(3)	132.00
C5-H5…O5	0.93	2.54	3.100(3)	119.0
C6-H6…O2	0.93	2.60	3.426(3)	149.0