

# Field-induced single-ion magnet performing tri-axial anisotropy in an 1D Co(II) coordination polymer with rigid linker ligand 4,4'-(buta-1,3-diyne-1,4-diyl)dibenzoate

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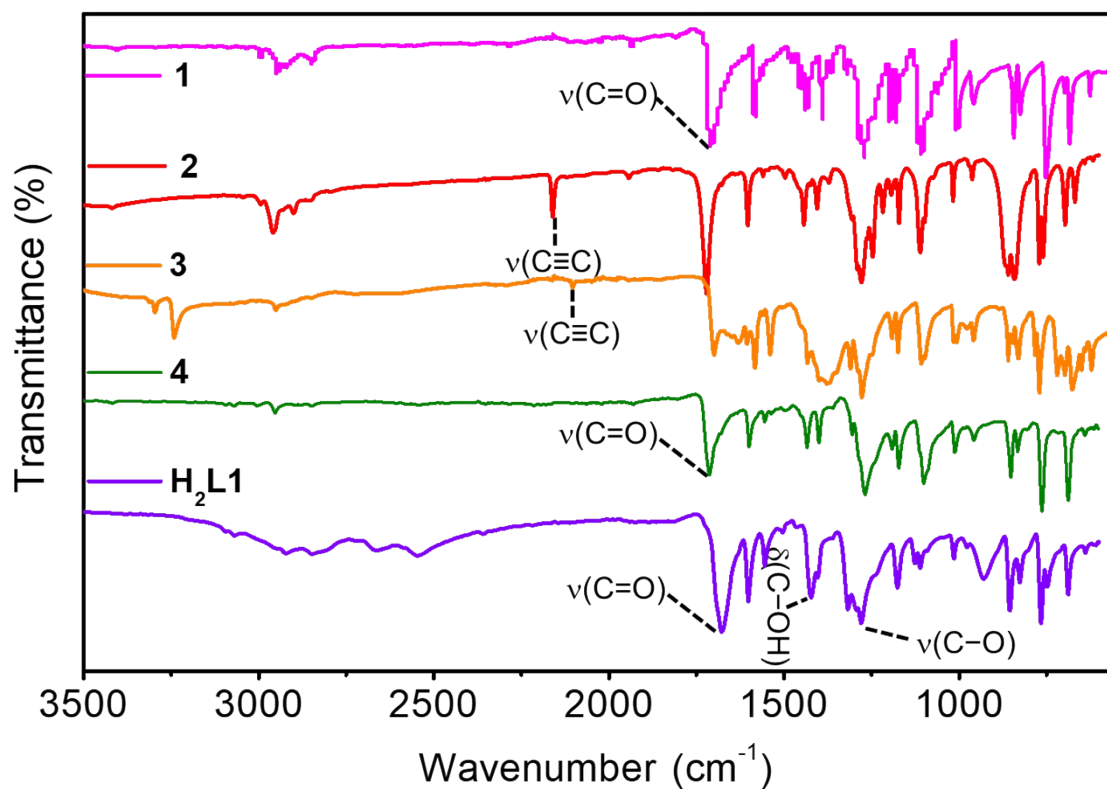
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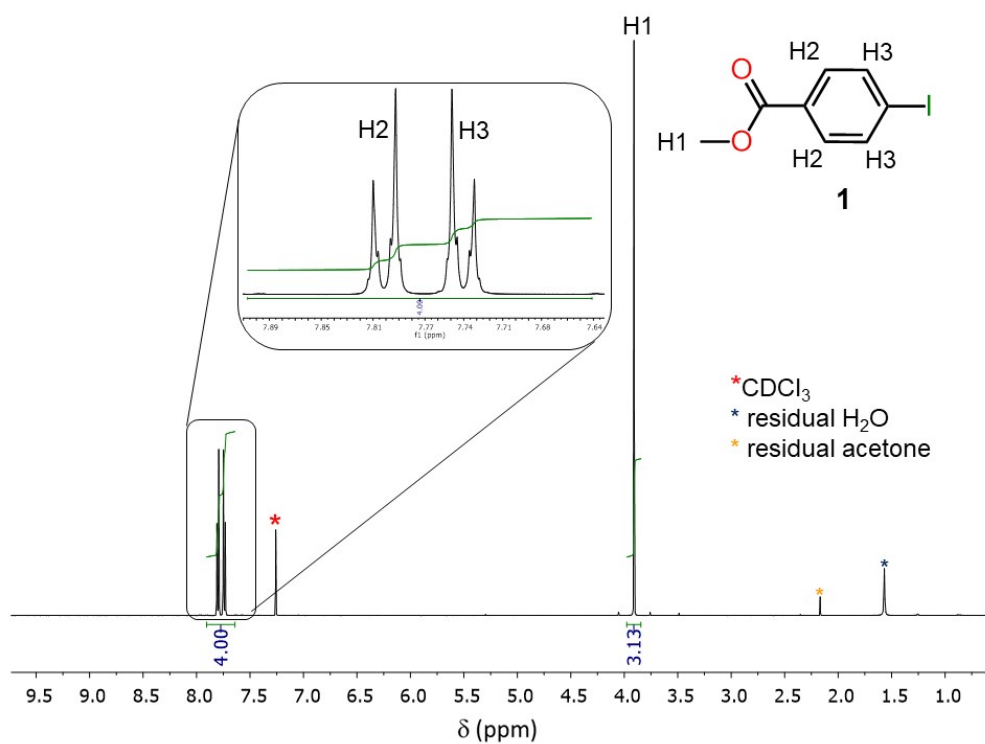
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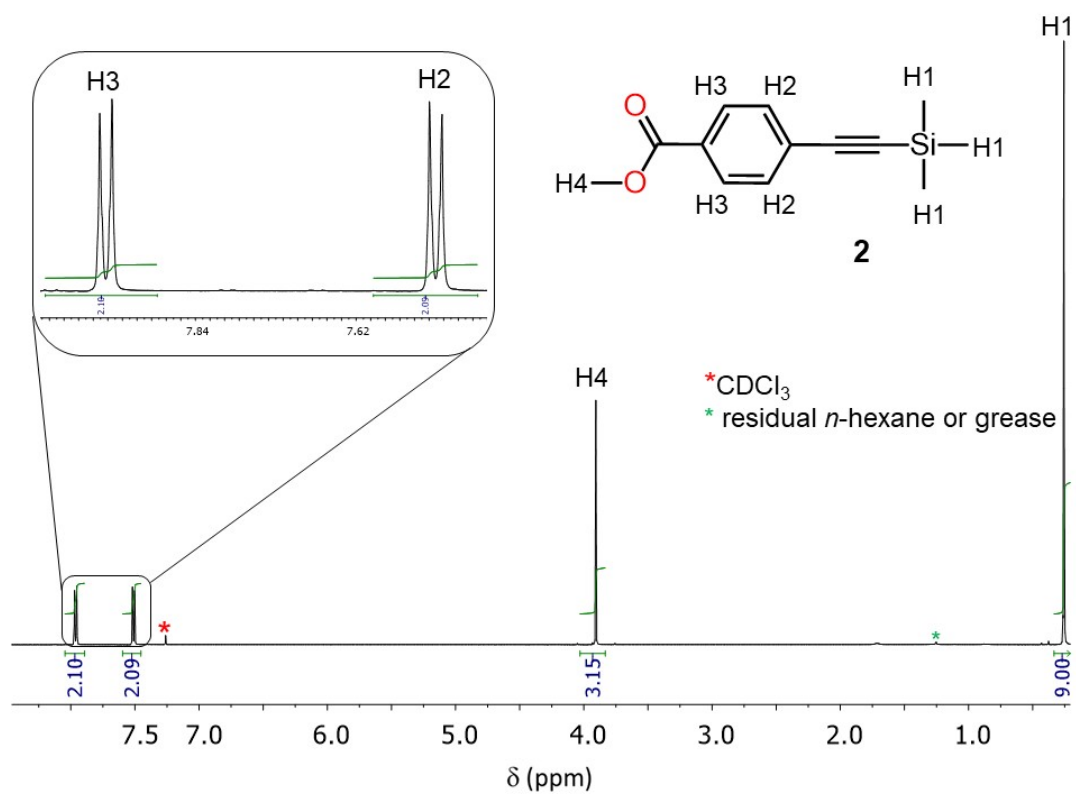
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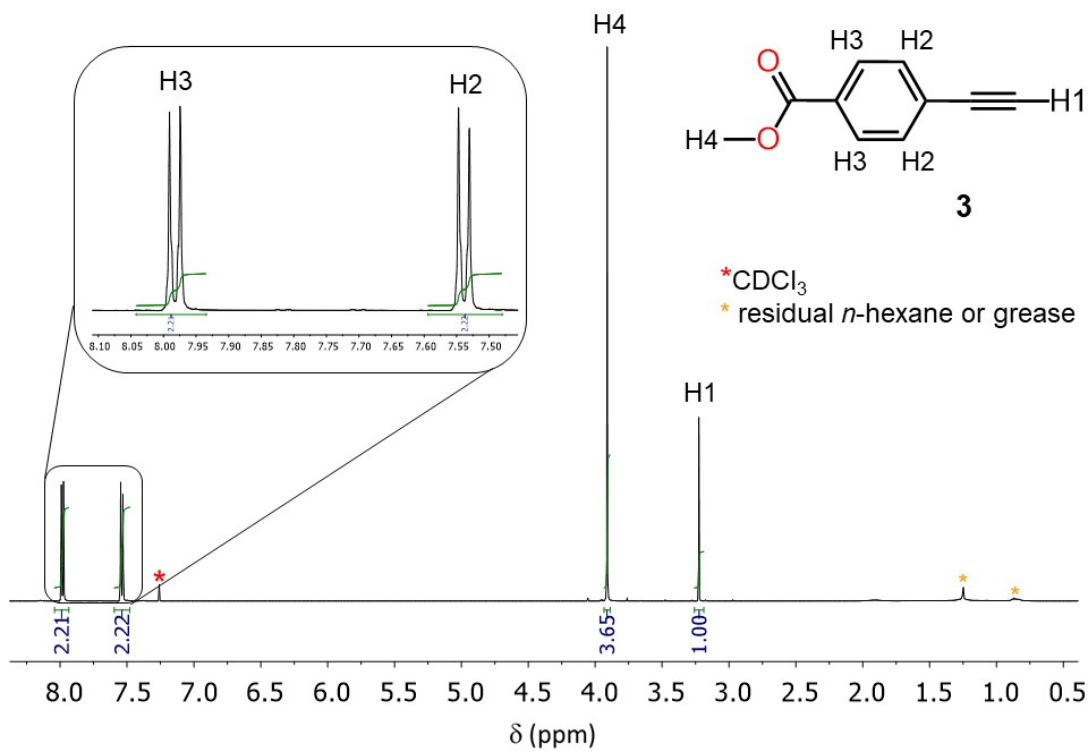
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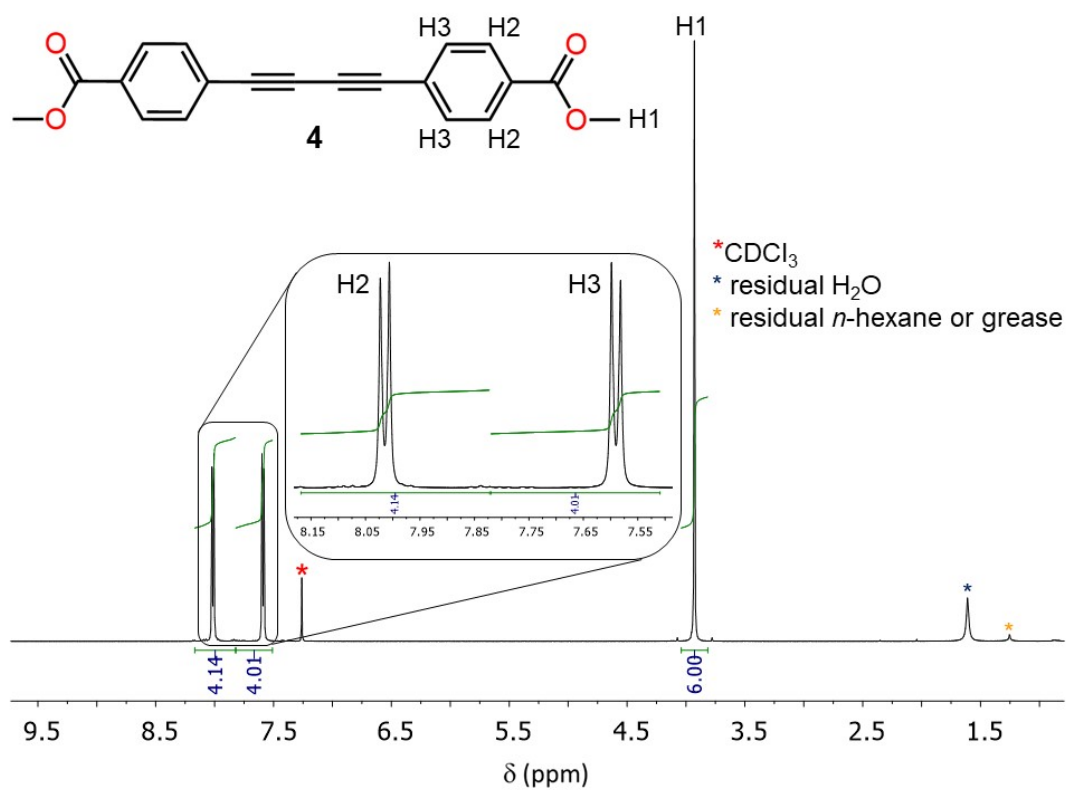
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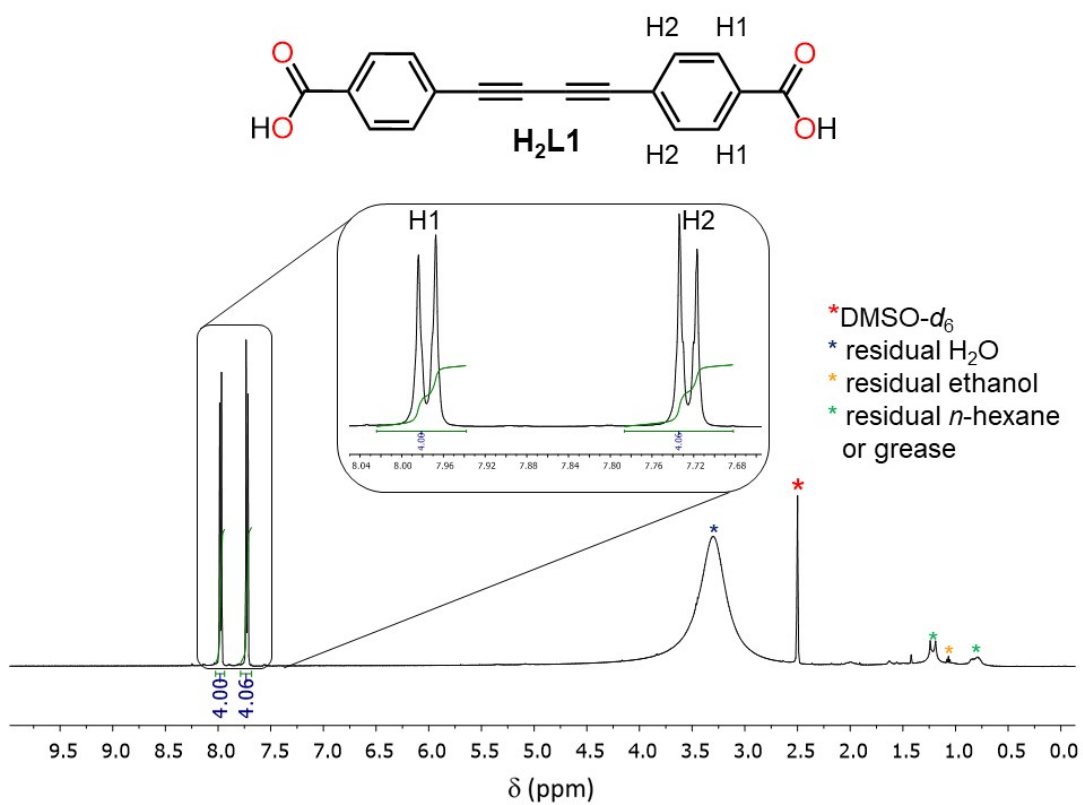
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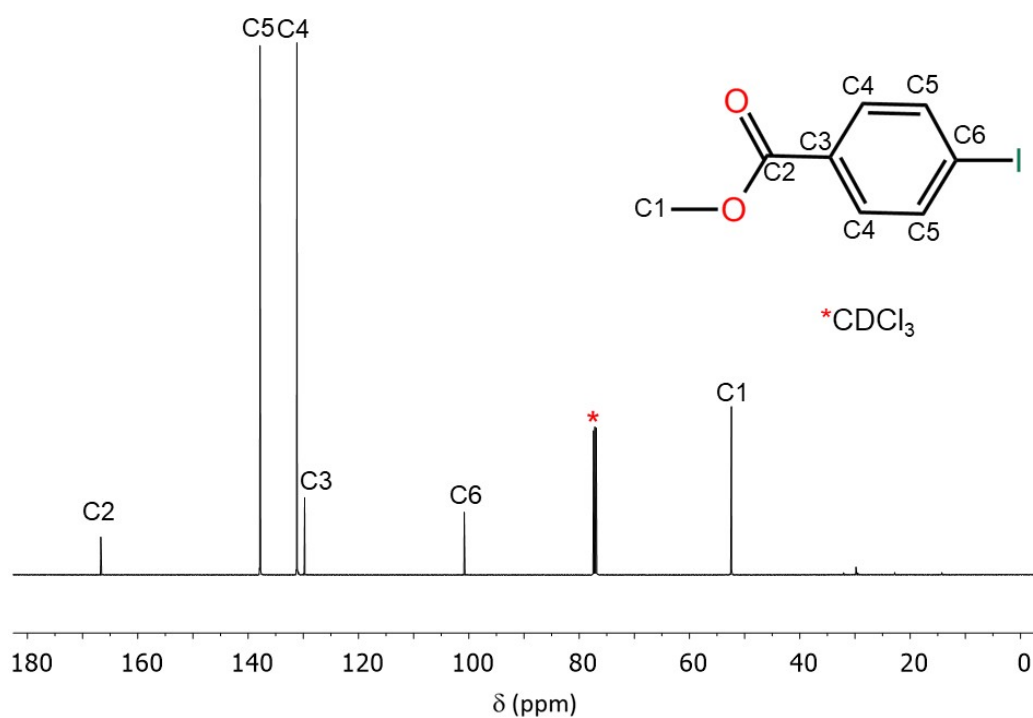
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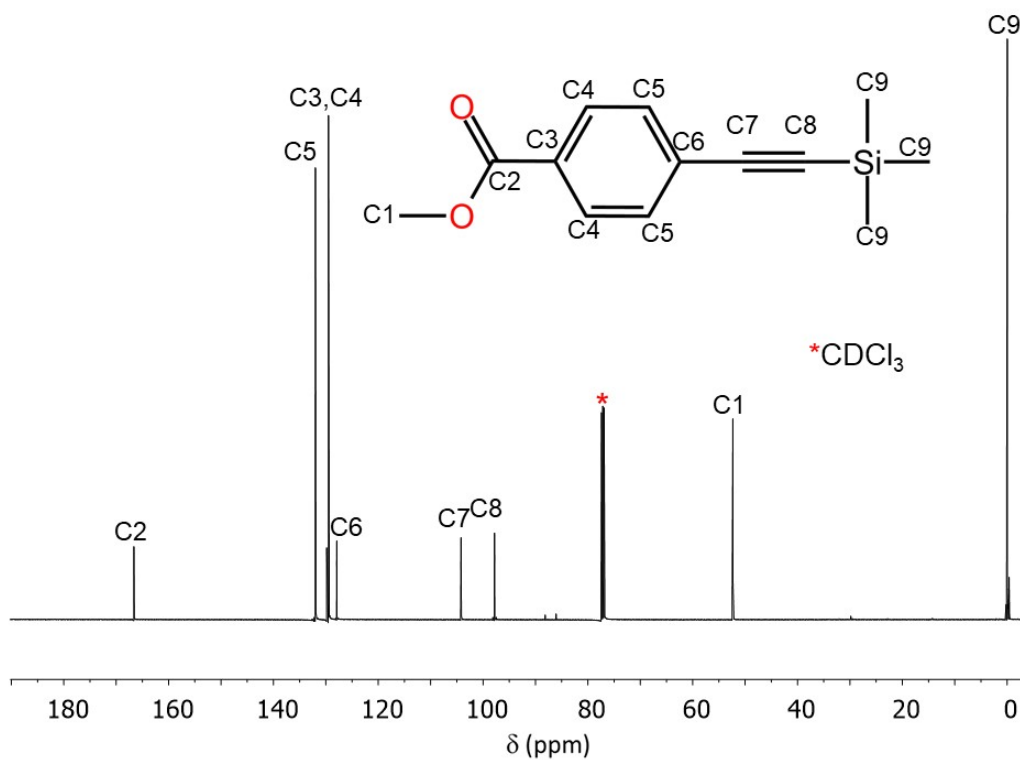
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**Fig. S6.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of the  $\text{H}_2\text{L1}$  proligand in  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$  at 298 K, in 500 MHz.

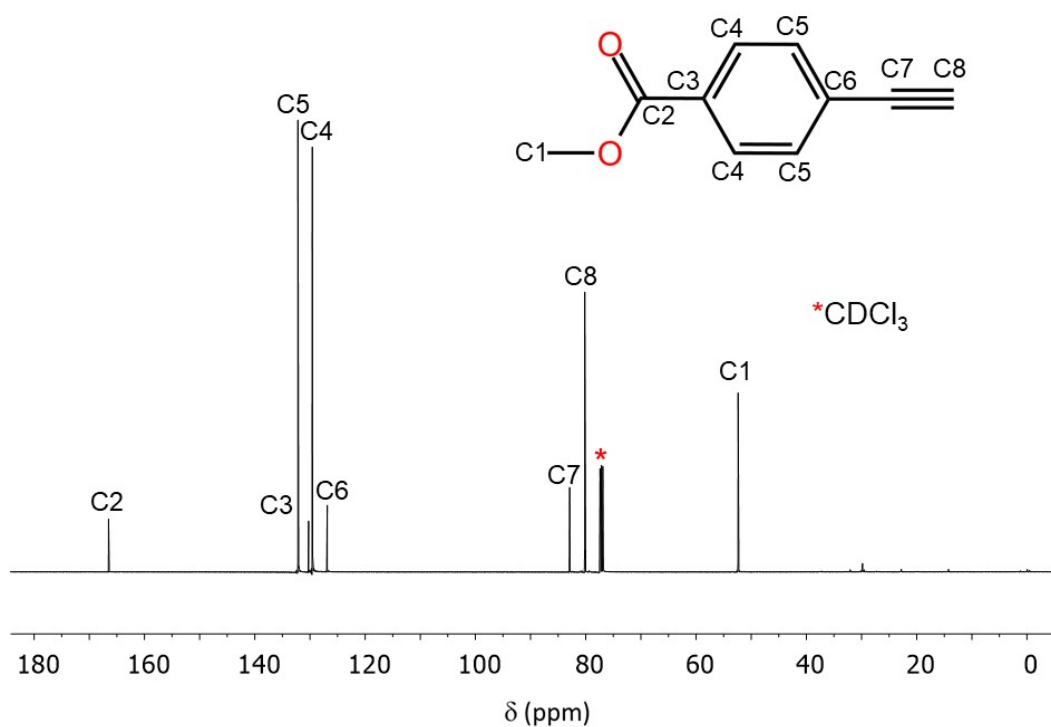


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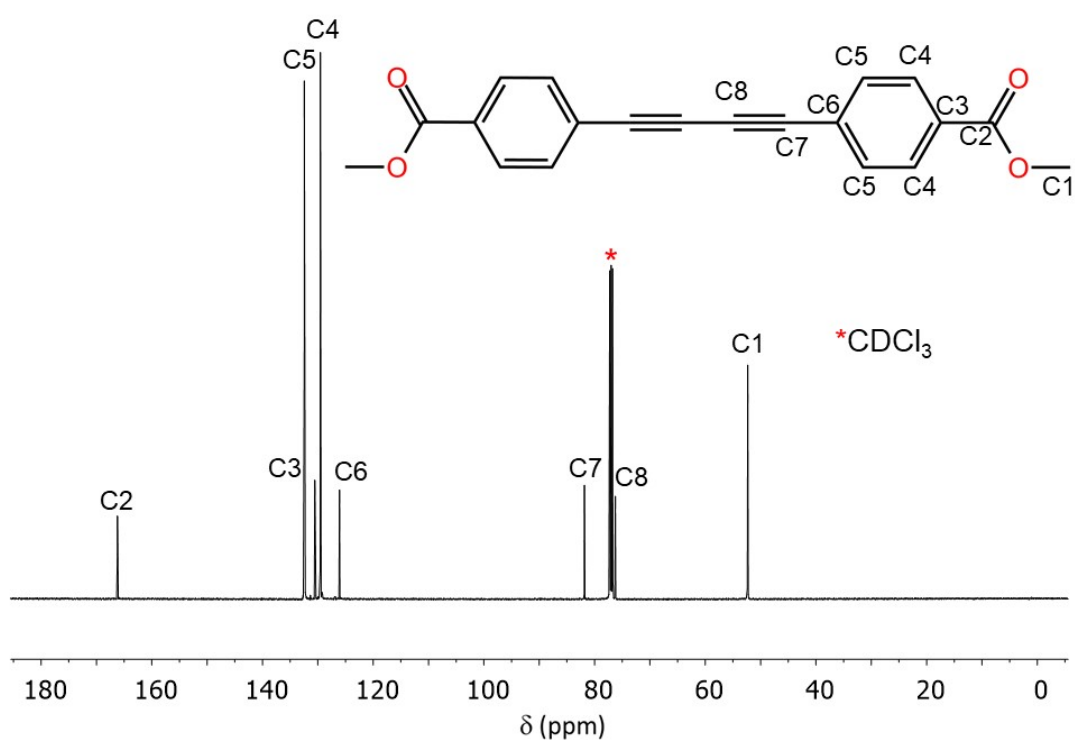


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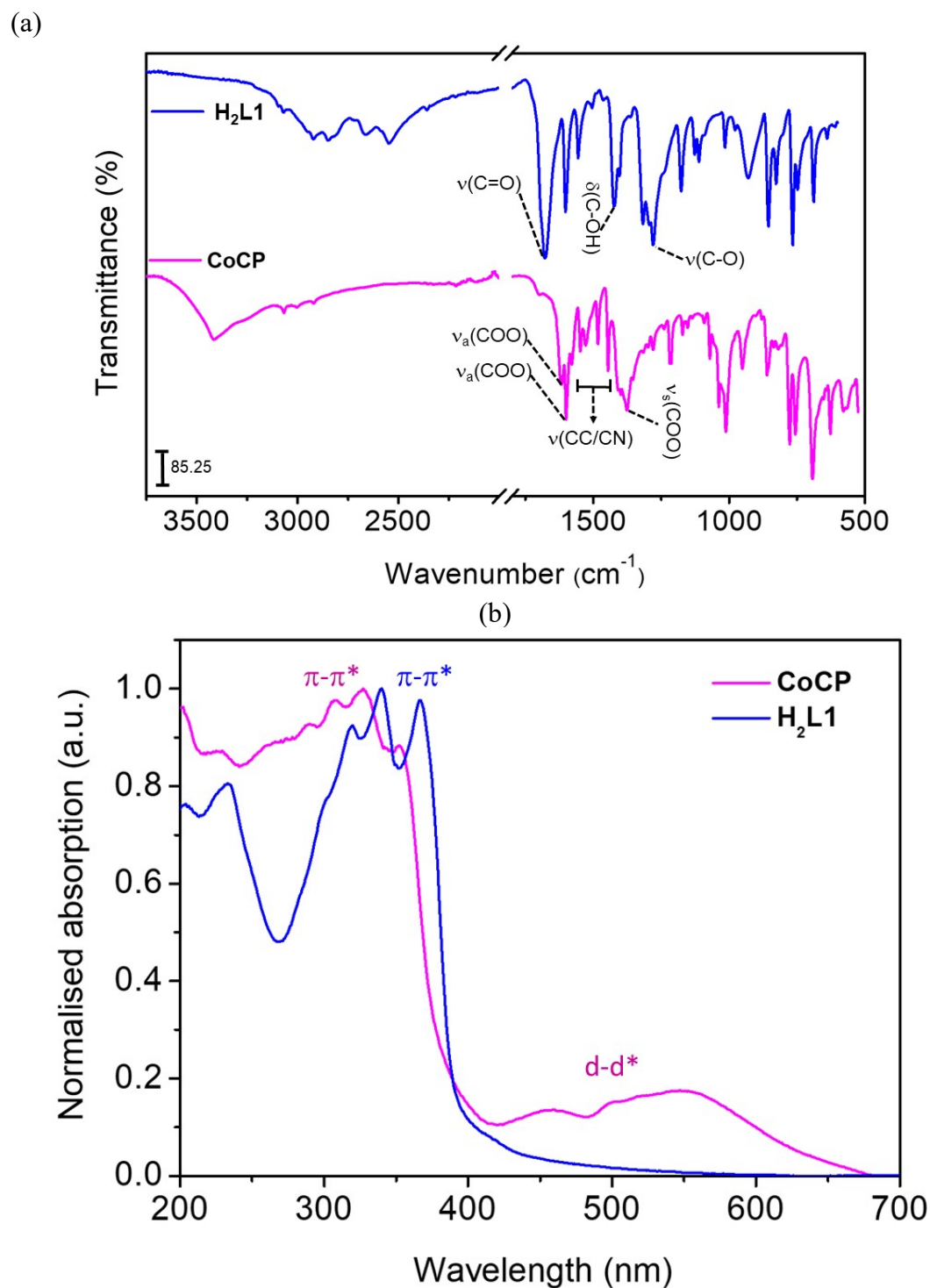




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<b>H<sub>2</sub>L1</b>	<b>CoCP</b>	<b>Assignments</b>
1678	–	$\nu(\text{C=O})$
–	1618 and 1600	$\nu_{\text{a}}(\text{COO}^-)$
–	1579-1445	$\nu(\text{CC/CN})$
–	1398 and 1375	$\nu_{\text{s}}(\text{COO}^-)$
929	–	$\delta(\text{O-H})$

**Table S2.** Crystal data and structure refinement for the **CoCP** and intermediate **4**

Compounds	<b>4</b>	<b>CoCP</b>
Empirical formula	C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>14</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>28</sub> H <sub>20</sub> CoN <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>
Formula weight	318.31	523.39
Temperature/K	298(2)	298(2)
Crystal system	Triclinic	Monoclinic
Space group	$P\bar{1}$	$P2_1/n$
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 7.0604(4) \text{ \AA}$ $b = 10.6647(7) \text{ \AA}$ $c = 11.8334(7) \text{ \AA}$ $\alpha = 75.773(3)^\circ$ $\beta = 73.159(2)^\circ$ $\gamma = 74.351(3)^\circ$	$8.6551(3) \text{ \AA}$ $17.7754(5) \text{ \AA}$ $16.1528(5) \text{ \AA}$ $\alpha = 90^\circ$ $\beta = 103.4240(10)^\circ$ $\gamma = 90^\circ$
Volume/ $\text{\AA}^3$	807.50(9)	2417.18(13)
<i>Z</i>	2	4
$\rho$ calc./g cm <sup>-3</sup>	1.3091	1.438
$\mu/\text{mm}^{-1}$	0.091	0.752
<i>F</i> (000)	332.2	1076.0
Crystal size/mm <sup>-3</sup>	0.280 x 0.254 x 0.164	0.313 x 0.167 x 0.162
Radiation	Mo K $\alpha$ ( $\lambda = 0.71073$ )	Mo K $\alpha$ ( $\lambda = 0.71073$ )
2 $\Theta$ range for data collection/ $^\circ$	4.928 to 50.048 $^\circ$	4.584 to 50.046 $^\circ$
Reflections collected	23446	28501
Index ranges	$-8 \leq h \leq 8, -12 \leq k \leq 12,$ $-14 \leq l \leq 14$	$-10 \leq h \leq 10, -20 \leq k \leq 21, -19 \leq$ $l \leq 19$
Independent reflections	2853 [ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.0438,$ $R_{\text{sigma}} = 0.0227$ ]	4277 [ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.0334, R_{\text{sigma}} =$ $0.0198$ ]
Data/restraints/parameters	2853/0/220	4277/1/328
Goof = S	1.112	1.036
Final <i>R</i> indexes [ $I \geq 2\sigma(I)$ ]	$R_1 = 0.0553, wR_2 = 0.1416$	$R_1 = 0.0281, wR_2 = 0.0651$
Final <i>R</i> indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0735, wR_2 = 0.1583$	$R_1 = 0.0343, wR_2 = 0.0688$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e $\text{\AA}^{-3}$	0.19/-0.20	0.34/-0.21

**Table S3.** Selected bond lengths (Å) in **CoCP**

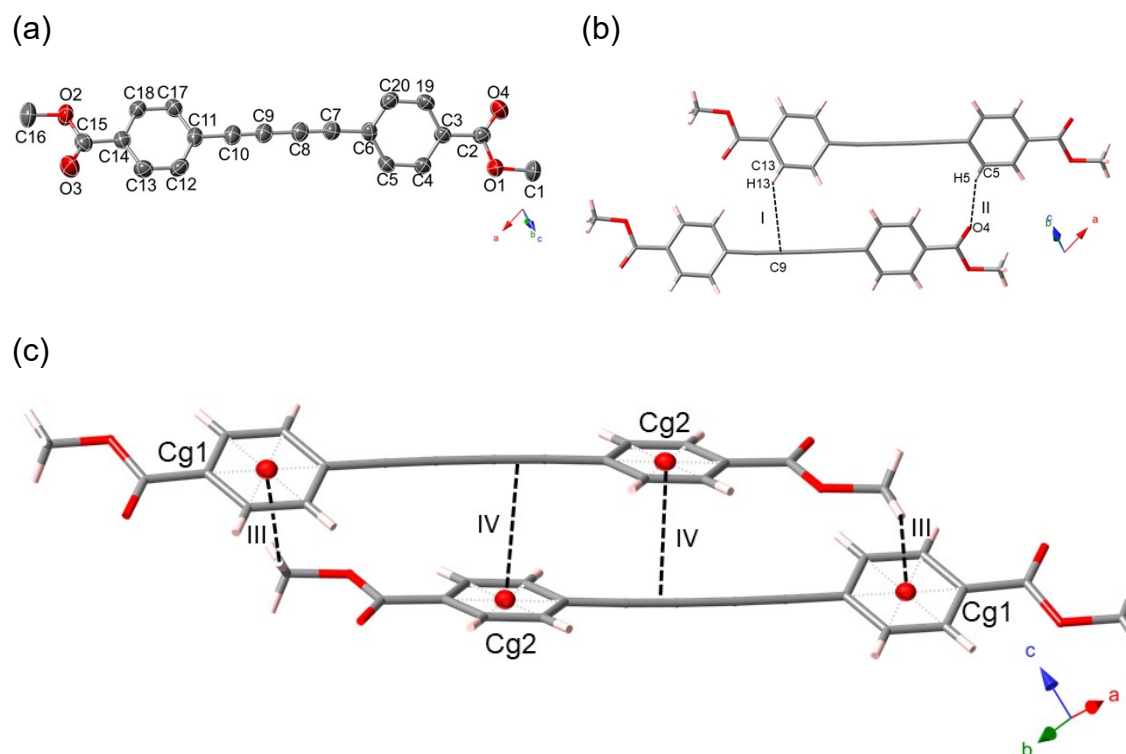
<b>Bond length</b>			
Co1-OW	2.0877(14)	Co1-N2	2.1600(16)
Co1-O1	2.0239(12)	Co1-O3	2.1165(12)
Co1-N1	2.1348(15)	Co1-O4	2.3650(13)

**Table S4.** Bond Angles (°) in **CoCP**

<b>Bond angles</b>			
OW-Co1-O3	90.68(6)	N1-Co1-O4	148.82(5)
OW-Co1-O4	87.85(5)	N1-Co1-N2	94.39(6)
OW-Co1-N1	87.83(6)	N2-Co1-O4	91.72(5)
OW-Co1-N2	176.36(6)	C18-O3-Co1	95.93(11)
O3-Co1-O4	58.11(5)	C18-O4-Co1	84.90(11)
O3-Co1-N1	91.09(6)	C1-O1-Co1	130.18(13)
O3-Co1-N2	92.16(6)	C23-N1-Co1	119.57(13)
O1-Co1-OW	87.36(6)	C19-N1-Co1	122.07(14)
O1-Co1-O3	177.39(6)	C24-N2-Co1	120.65(14)
O1-Co1-O4	120.04(5)	C28-N2-Co1	123.01(14)
O1-Co1-N1	90.57(6)		
O1-Co1-N2	89.73(6)		

**Crystal structure analyses of the intermediate 4.** Suitable needle shaped single crystals of **4** were formed by slow evaporation in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> at room temperature. **4** crystallised in the P $\bar{1}$  with one molecule comprising the asymmetric unit (Fig. S12). The structure of **4** is non-planar as shown by the torsion angle between one phenyl ring and the adjacent

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Fig. S12-b represents some non-classical hydrogen bonds type  $\text{C-H}\cdots\text{O}$  and  $\text{C-H}\cdots\pi$  named I (C13-H13 $\cdots$ C9) and II (C5-H5 $\cdots$ O4) with donor $\cdots$ acceptor distances of 3.940(4) Å and 3.194(4) Å, respectively. Fig. S12-c shows  $\pi\cdots\pi$  stacking and  $\text{C-H}\cdots\pi$  interactions named III (Cg1 $\cdots$ C1) and IV (Cg2 $\cdots$ C8) with distances 3.82(2) Å and 3.52(1) Å, respectively. These intermolecular interactions govern the crystal packing of the intermediate **4**.

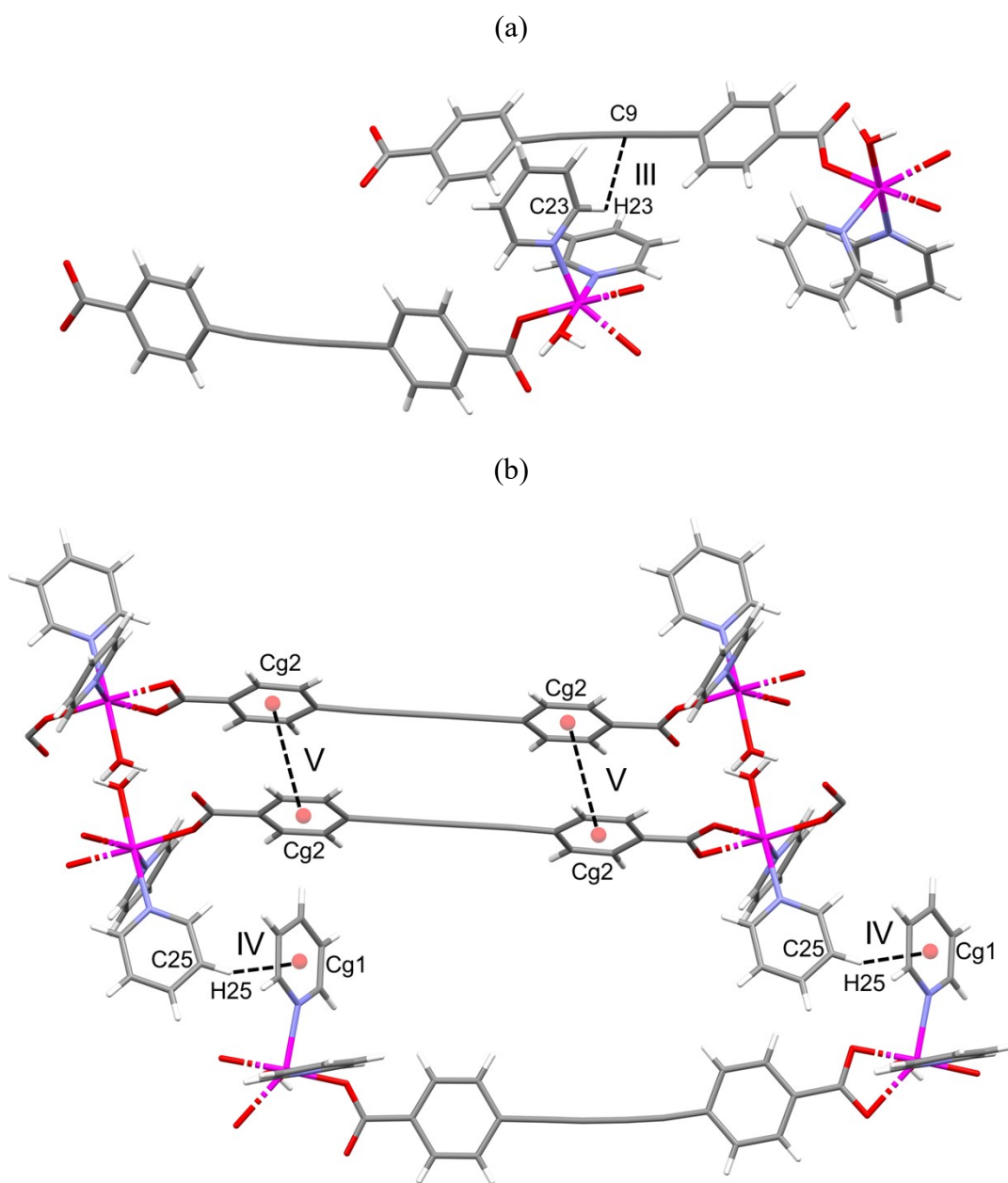
**Table S5.** Selected bond lengths (Å) in **4**

<b>Bond length</b>			
O1-C1	1.445(3)	C7-C8	1.201(3)
O1-C2	1.328(3)	C8-C9	1.368(3)
O2-C15	1.333(3)	C9-C10	1.204(3)
O2-C16	1.439(3)	C10-C11	1.428(3)
O3-C15	1.197(3)	C11-C12	1.390(3)
O4-C2	1.193(3)	C11-C17	1.392(3)
C2-C3	1.486(3)	C12-C13	1.377(3)
C3-C4	1.381(3)	C13-C14	1.387(3)
C3-C19	1.390(3)	C14-C15	1.486(3)
C4-C5	1.377(3)	C14-C18	1.382(3)
C5-C6	1.396(3)	C17-C18	1.383(3)
C6-C7	1.429(3)	C19-C20	1.376(3)
C6-C20	1.386(3)		

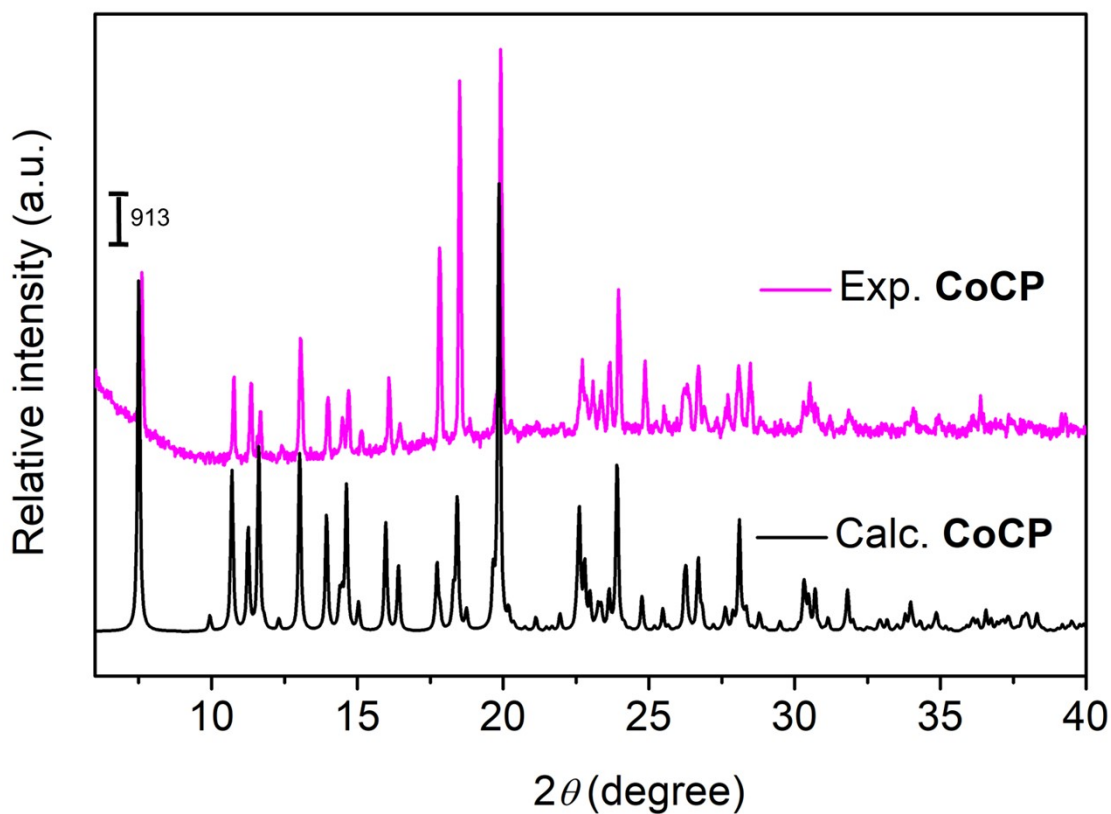
**Table S6.** Selected bond angles (°) in **4**

<b>Bond angles</b>			
C2-O1-C1	116.73(19)	C9-C10-C11	178.8(3)
C15-O2-C16	115.9(2)	C12-C11-C10	121.0(2)
O1-C2-C3	112.41(19)	C12-C11-C17	119.1(2)
O4-C2-O1	122.7(2)	C17-C11-C10	119.9(2)
O4-C2-C3	124.9(2)	C13-C12-C11	120.4(2)
C4-C3-C2	122.2(2)	C12-C13-C14	120.4(2)
C4-C3-C19	119.3(2)	C13-C14-C15	118.2(2)
C19-C3-C2	118.44(19)	C18-C14-C13	119.4(2)
C5-C4-C3	120.3(2)	C18-C14-C15	122.3(2)
C4-C5-C6	120.5(2)	O2-C15-C14	112.7(2)
C5-C6-C7	119.5(2)	O3-C15-O2	123.0(2)
C20-C6-C5	118.9(2)	O3-C15-C14	124.3(2)
C20-C6-C7	121.7(2)	C18-C17-C11	120.1(2)
C8-C7-C6	176.5(3)	C14-C18-C17	120.5(2)
C7-C8-C9	178.9(3)	C20-C19-C3	120.5(2)
C10-C9-C8	178.7(3)	C19-C20-C6	120.5(2)





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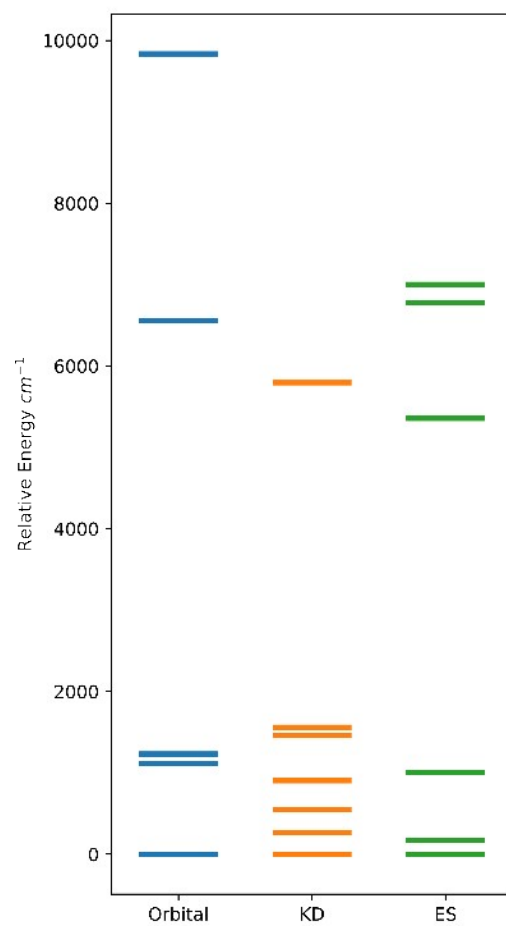
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Interaction	d (D···H/A)	d (D-H) <sup>a</sup>	d (H···A) <sup>b</sup>	d (D···A) <sup>c</sup>
I	OW-HWA···O4	0.80(3)	2.02(3)	2.774(2)
II	OW-HWB···O2	0.80(3)	1.83(3)	2.629(2)
III	C23-H23···C9	-	-	3.430(3)
IV	C25-H25···Cg1	-	-	3.57(1)
V	Cg2···Cg2	-	-	3.78(2)

<sup>a</sup> Distance between the donor atom and the hydrogen atom.

<sup>b</sup> Distance between the acceptor atom and the hydrogen atom.

<sup>c</sup> Distance between the donor atom and the acceptor atom for **I**, **II** and **III** or the distance between the donor atom and the centroid (Cg) for **IV** and **V**.



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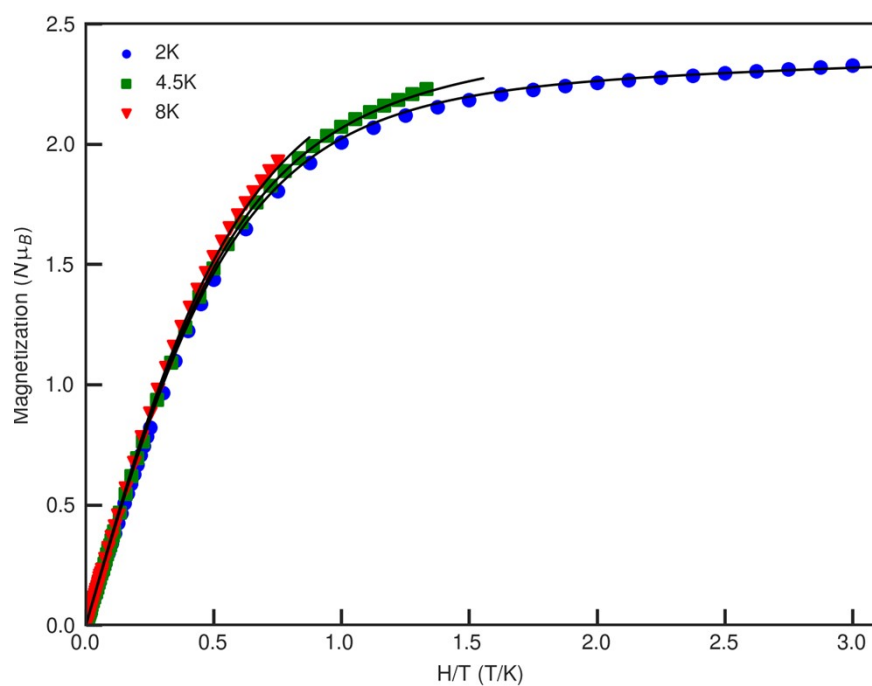
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2	2	4	0.16	1290.6
3	3	4	0.863	6958.9
4	4	4	1.082	8729
5	5	4	1.11	8953
6	0	2	1.228	9903.6
7	1	2	1.635	13189.5

**Table S9.** First 12 eigenvalues of the Kramers doublets

Eigenvalues	cm <sup>-1</sup>	eV
0	0	0
1	0	0
2	246.54	0.0306
3	246.54	0.0306
4	555.32	0.0689
5	555.32	0.0689
6	866.9	0.1075
7	866.9	0.1075
8	1700.25	0.2108
9	1700.25	0.2108
10	1777.96	0.2204
11	1777.96	0.2204
12	7344.9	0.9107

**Table S10.** Description of the ground Kramers doublet

Eigenvector					
	Weight	Block	Root	Spin	Ms
KD 0	0.559	0	0	3/2	3/2
	0.360	0	1	3/2	3/2
	0.035	0	2	3/2	1/2
	0.020	0	0	3/2	-1/2
	0.013	0	1	3/2	-1/2



**Fig. S16.** Magnetization results obtained for CoCP. The lines represent the fitted values obtained with PHI.

**Table S11.** Selected magnetic results of hexacoordinated octahedral complexes with easy-axis anisotropy.

Compound	$\sigma$	$\lambda / \text{cm}^{-1}$	$\Delta_{\text{ax}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$	$\Delta_{\text{rh}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$	$zJ/\text{cm}^{-1}$	Ab Initio	Ref
<b>CoCP</b>	-1.5	-146.8(4)	-1054(5)	-151.4(5)		Yes	This work
cis-[Co(hfac) <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ]	1.34	-147.2	-499.7	136.3		Yes	1
[Co(dca) <sub>2</sub> (bim) <sub>4</sub> ]	-1.18	-132.0	-416.3			No	2
[Co(dca) <sub>2</sub> (bim) <sub>2</sub> ] <sub>n</sub>	-1.16	-134.1	-402.7			No	2
[Co(dca) <sub>2</sub> (bmim) <sub>2</sub> ] <sub>n</sub>	-1.24	-134.0	-605.8			No	2
[Co(dca) <sub>2</sub> (atz) <sub>2</sub> ] <sub>n</sub>	-1.18(1)	-125(1)	-509(10)			No	3
[Co(ppad) <sub>2</sub> ] <sub>n</sub>	-1.48(1)	-147(1)	-428(5)			No	4
[Co(AcO) <sub>2</sub> (py) <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ]	-1.5	-170	-279	109		Yes	5
[Co(pydm) <sub>2</sub> ](dnbz) <sub>2</sub>	-0.61	-187	-585			Yes	6
(NBu <sub>4</sub> )[Co(piv) <sub>3</sub> ]	1.33	-170	-713.2	66.3		Yes	7

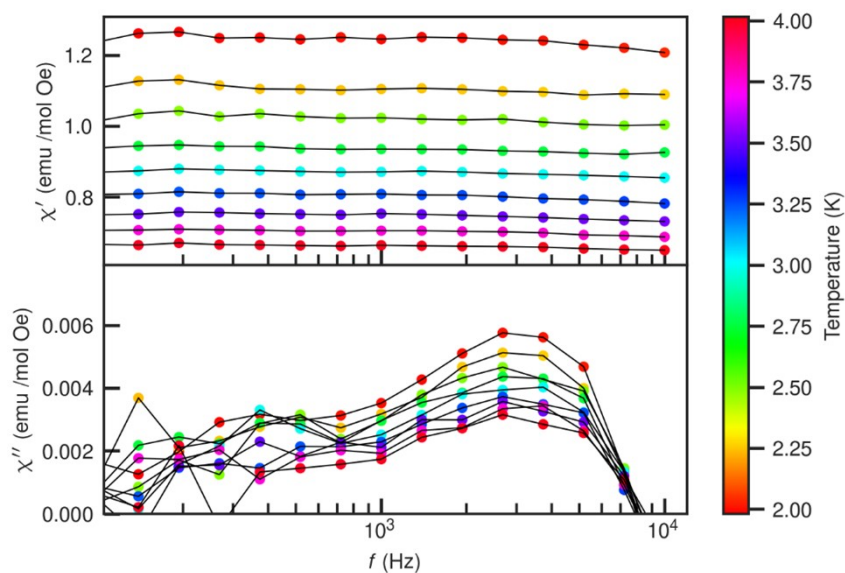
Abbreviations: hfac = hexafluoroacetylacetonate; dca = dicyanamide; bim = 1-benzylimidazole; bmim = 1-benzyl-2-methylimidazole; atz = 2-amino-1,3,5-triazine; ppad = N3-(3-pyridoyl)-3-pyridinecarboxamidrazone; AcO = acetate anion; py = pyridyl; pydm = 2,6-pyridinedimethanol; dnbz = 3,5-dinitrobenzoato(1-); ac = acetato; Melm = 1-methylimidazole; piv = pivalato

**Table S12.** Percentage composition of the eigenstates for **CoCP**.

E/cm <sup>-1</sup>		0.0	0.0	185.3	185.3	533.4	533.4	785.8	785.8	1551	1551	1607	1607
m <sub>S</sub>	m <sub>L</sub>												
-1.5	-1.0	3.39	0.00	0.59	0.00	0.00	0.17	95.75	-	0.00	0.00	0.09	-
-1.5	0.0	-	0.02	0.00	0.80	5.89	0.12	-	0.01	0.42	90.42	-	2.32
-1.5	1.0	84.44	0.00	8.45	0.00	0.01	0.36	3.72	-	0.10	0.00	2.92	-
-0.5	-1.0	0.00	0.64	0.01	18.46	72.59	1.43	-	0.03	0.03	6.30	-	0.51
-0.5	0.0	4.91	0.00	1.97	0.00	0.03	1.46	0.31	-	2.70	0.01	88.61	-
-0.5	1.0	0.00	6.60	0.03	69.70	17.59	0.35	-	0.18	0.00	0.01	-	5.54
0.5	-1.0	6.60	0.00	69.70	0.03	0.35	17.59	0.18	-	0.01	0.00	5.54	-
0.5	0.0	0.00	4.91	0.00	1.97	1.46	0.03	-	0.31	0.01	2.70	-	88.61
0.5	1.0	0.64	0.00	18.46	0.01	1.43	72.59	0.03	-	6.30	0.03	0.51	-
1.5	-1.0	0.00	84.44	0.00	8.45	0.36	0.01	-	3.72	0.00	0.10	-	2.92
1.5	0.0	0.02	-	0.80	0.00	0.12	5.89	0.01	-	90.42	0.42	2.32	-
1.5	1.0	0.00	3.39	0.00	0.59	0.17	0.00	-	95.75	0.00	0.00	-	0.09

**Table S13.** G-tensors of the Kramer doublets for **CoCP**.

$E/\text{cm}^{-1}$	$g_x$	$g_y$	$g_z$
0.0	1.9	2.5	7.5
185.3	1.7	2.5	4.4
533.4	0.4	3.1	3.9
785.8	0.2	0.2	3.2
1551	0.7	0.9	5.3
1607	1.6	2.1	3.6

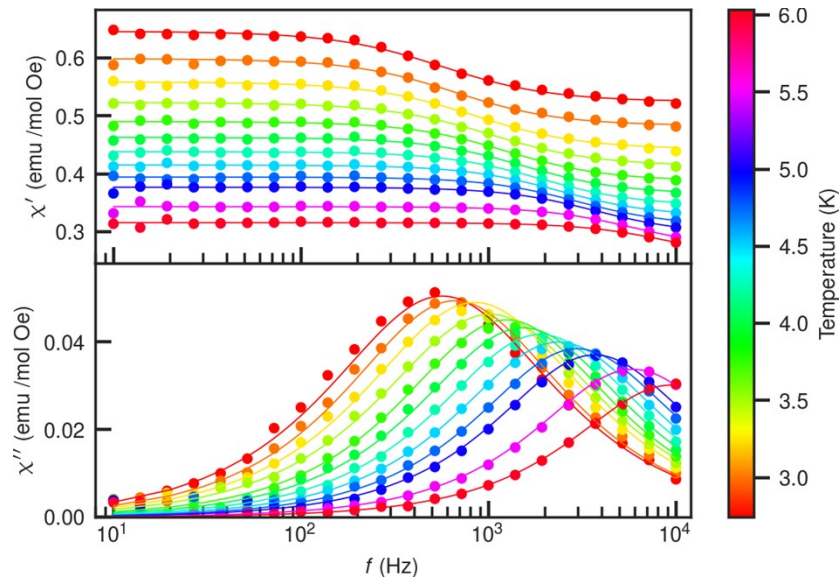


**Fig. S17.** Frequency-dependence of AC susceptibility for **CoCP** measured at zero DC field (lines are guides for the eyes).

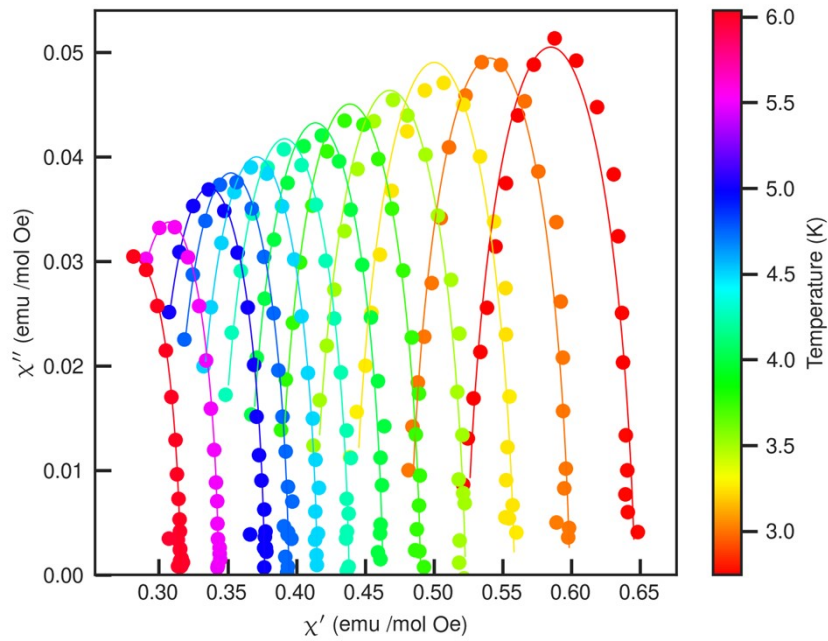


**Table S14.** Cole-Cole parameters obtained from fits of the frequency-dependence of  $\chi_{AC}$  (measured at 450 Oe) using a Generalized Debye model and used to reproduce the Cole-Cole plots.

Temperature (K)	$\chi_S$ (emu/K Oe)	$\chi_T$ (emu/K Oe)	$\alpha$	$\tau$ (s)
2.75	0.52	0.65	0.12	$2.81 \times 10^{-4}$
3.00	0.48	0.60	0.10	$2.40 \times 10^{-4}$
3.25	0.44	0.56	0.11	$1.88 \times 10^{-4}$
3.50	0.41	0.52	0.11	$1.56 \times 10^{-4}$
3.75	0.39	0.49	0.08	$1.27 \times 10^{-4}$
4.00	0.36	0.46	0.08	$1.04 \times 10^{-4}$
4.25	0.34	0.44	0.07	$8.41 \times 10^{-5}$
4.50	0.33	0.42	0.06	$6.73 \times 10^{-5}$
4.75	0.31	0.39	0.06	$5.35 \times 10^{-5}$
5.00	0.30	0.38	0.05	$4.32 \times 10^{-5}$
5.50	0.27	0.34	0.04	$2.70 \times 10^{-5}$



**Fig. S18.** Frequency-dependence of AC susceptibility for CoCP measured at 450 Oe (lines represent the fits made using a generalized Debye model).



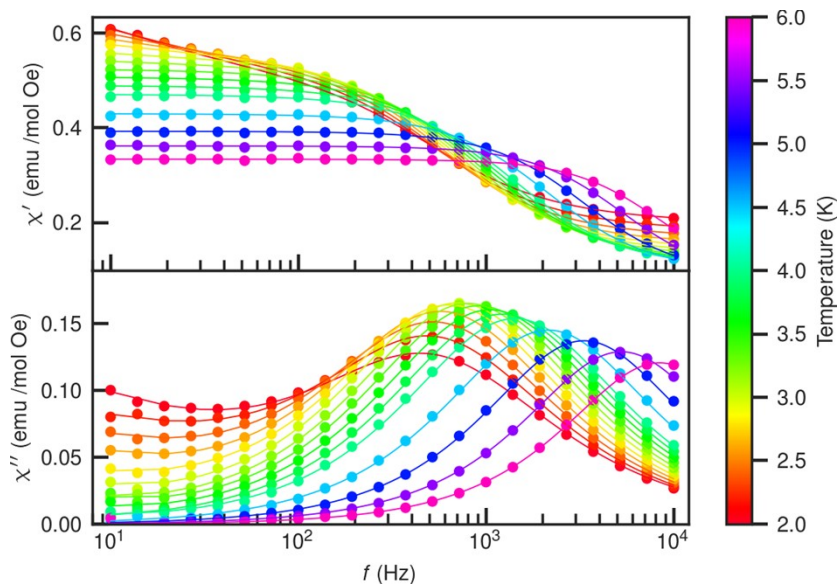
**Fig. S19.** Cole-Cole plot obtained from the frequency-dependence of  $\chi_{AC}$  susceptibility for CoCP measured at 450 Oe (lines represent the fits made using a generalized Debye model).

**Table S15.** Cole-Cole parameters obtained from fits of the frequency-dependence of  $\chi_{AC}$  (measured at 1kOe) using a Generalized Debye model.

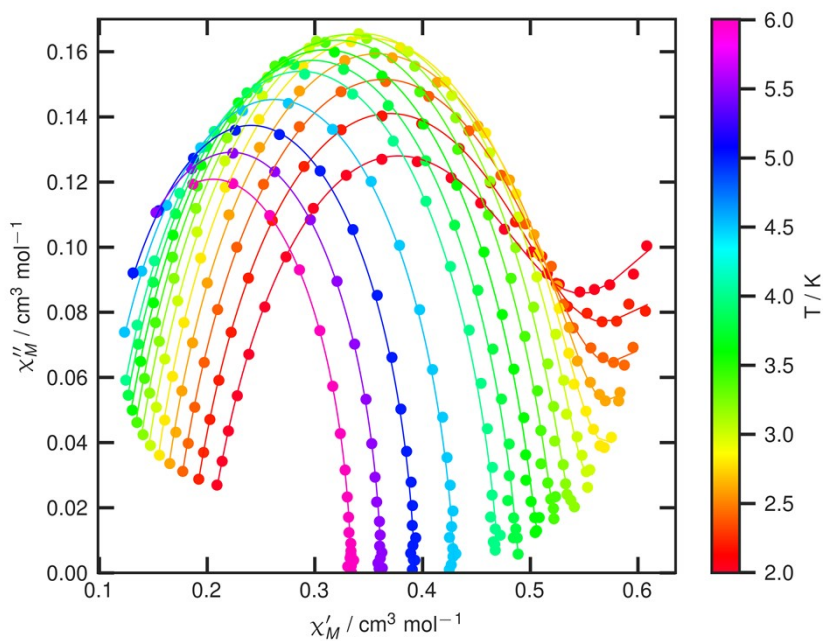
Temperature (K)	$\chi_S$ (emu/K Oe)	$\chi_T$ (emu/K Oe)	$\alpha$	$\tau$ (s)
2.25	0.55	0.99	0.15	$4.25 \times 10^{-4}$
2.50	0.50	0.94	0.13	$3.83 \times 10^{-4}$
2.75	0.46	0.90	0.12	$3.28 \times 10^{-4}$
3.00	0.41	0.85	0.11	$2.70 \times 10^{-4}$
3.25	0.38	0.80	0.11	$2.21 \times 10^{-4}$
3.50	0.36	0.76	0.10	$1.87 \times 10^{-4}$
3.75	0.33	0.72	0.10	$1.52 \times 10^{-4}$
4.00	0.31	0.68	0.09	$1.22 \times 10^{-4}$
4.25	0.30	0.64	0.08	$9.82 \times 10^{-5}$
4.50	0.28	0.61	0.08	$7.82 \times 10^{-5}$
4.75	0.27	0.58	0.06	$6.17 \times 10^{-5}$
5.00	0.25	0.55	0.06	$4.82 \times 10^{-5}$
5.50	0.23	0.50	0.05	$2.91 \times 10^{-5}$
6.00	0.21	0.46	0.04	$1.79 \times 10^{-5}$

**Table S16.** Cole-Cole parameters obtained from fits of the frequency-dependence of  $\chi_{AC}$  (measured at 2kOe) using a Generalized Debye model and used to reproduce the Cole-Cole plots.

T (K)	$\chi_{S,T}$ (emu/K)	$\Delta\chi_{\tau_1}$ (emu/K)	$\tau_1$ (s)	$\alpha_1$	$\Delta\chi_{\tau_2}$ (emu/K)	$\tau_2$ (s)	$\alpha_2$
2.0	0.196	0.285	$3.08 \times 10^{-4}$	0.175	0.822	0.40	0.54
2.2	0.179	0.313	$2.96 \times 10^{-4}$	0.152	0.556	0.21	0.55
2.4	0.164	0.352	$2.86 \times 10^{-4}$	0.149	0.730	1.15	0.57
2.6	0.153	0.386	$2.68 \times 10^{-4}$	0.149	0.707	1.65	0.51
2.8	0.142	0.398	$2.45 \times 10^{-4}$	0.141	0.559	3.11	0.55
3.0	0.133	0.413	$2.23 \times 10^{-4}$	0.146	0.816	4.24	0.37
3.2	0.125	0.411	$1.98 \times 10^{-4}$	0.140	-	-	-
3.4	0.118	0.406	$1.74 \times 10^{-4}$	0.137	-	-	-
3.6	0.112	0.396	$1.51 \times 10^{-4}$	0.132	-	-	-
3.8	0.107	0.383	$1.30 \times 10^{-4}$	0.124	-	-	-
4.0	0.103	0.368	$1.12 \times 10^{-4}$	0.112	-	-	-
4.5	0.095	0.335	$0.74 \times 10^{-4}$	0.091	-	-	-
5	0.089	0.304	$0.48 \times 10^{-4}$	0.065	-	-	-
5.5	0.083	0.279	$0.30 \times 10^{-4}$	0.049	-	-	-
6	0.078	0.256	$0.19 \times 10^{-4}$	0.0372	-	-	-



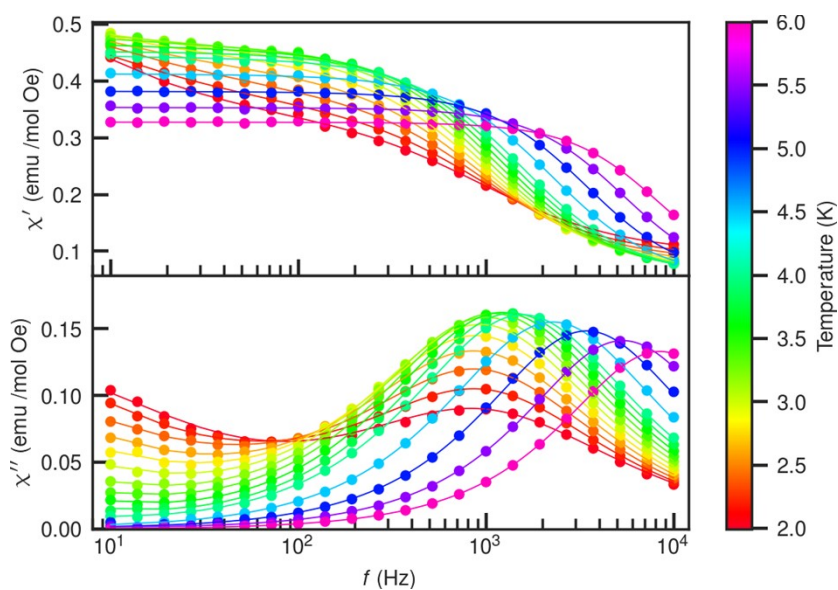
**Fig. S20.** Frequency-dependence of AC susceptibility for **CoCP** measured at 2 kOe (lines represent the fits made using a generalized Debye model).



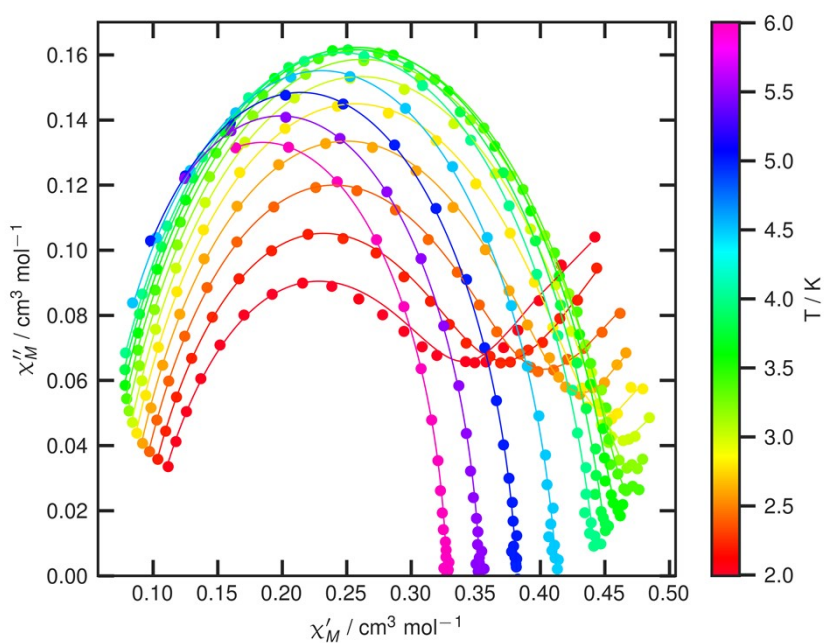
**Fig. S21.** Cole-Cole plot obtained from the frequency-dependence of  $\chi_{AC}$  susceptibility for **CoCP** (measured at 2 kOe) (lines represent the fits made using a generalized Debye model).

**Table S17.** Cole-Cole parameters obtained from fits of the frequency-dependence of  $\chi_{AC}$  (measured at 3 kOe) using a Generalized Debye model.

T (K)	$\chi_{s,T}$ (emu/K)	$\Delta\chi_{T1}$ (emu/K)	$\tau_1$ (s)	$\alpha_1$	$\Delta\chi_{T2}$ (emu/K)	$\tau_2$ (s)	$\alpha_2$
2.0	0.092	0.242	$1.65 \times 10^{-4}$	0.238	0.39	0.05	0.33
2.2	0.083	0.237	$1.63 \times 10^{-4}$	0.173	4.34	57.9	0.60
2.4	0.075	0.267	$1.69 \times 10^{-4}$	0.151	3.59	88.3	0.63
2.6	0.072	0.319	$1.76 \times 10^{-4}$	0.158	5.39	162.8	0.57
2.8	0.068	0.350	$1.73 \times 10^{-4}$	0.151	5.61	200.3	0.55
3.0	0.065	0.376	$1.67 \times 10^{-4}$	0.148	6.06	260.1	0.52
3.2	0.061	0.394	$1.57 \times 10^{-4}$	0.147	-	-	-
3.4	0.058	0.402	$1.44 \times 10^{-4}$	0.144	-	-	-
3.6	0.055	0.405	$1.31 \times 10^{-4}$	0.140	-	-	-
3.8	0.052	0.400	$1.16 \times 10^{-4}$	0.135	-	-	-
4.0	0.051	0.391	$1.02 \times 10^{-4}$	0.125	-	-	-
4.5	0.048	0.364	$0.70 \times 10^{-4}$	0.102	-	-	-
5	0.047	0.335	$0.46 \times 10^{-4}$	0.077	-	-	-
5.5	0.045	0.309	$0.30 \times 10^{-4}$	0.056	-	-	-
6	0.042	0.285	$0.19 \times 10^{-4}$	0.044	-	-	-



**Fig. S22.** Frequency-dependence of AC susceptibility for CoCP measured at 3 kOe (lines represent the fits made using a generalized Debye model).

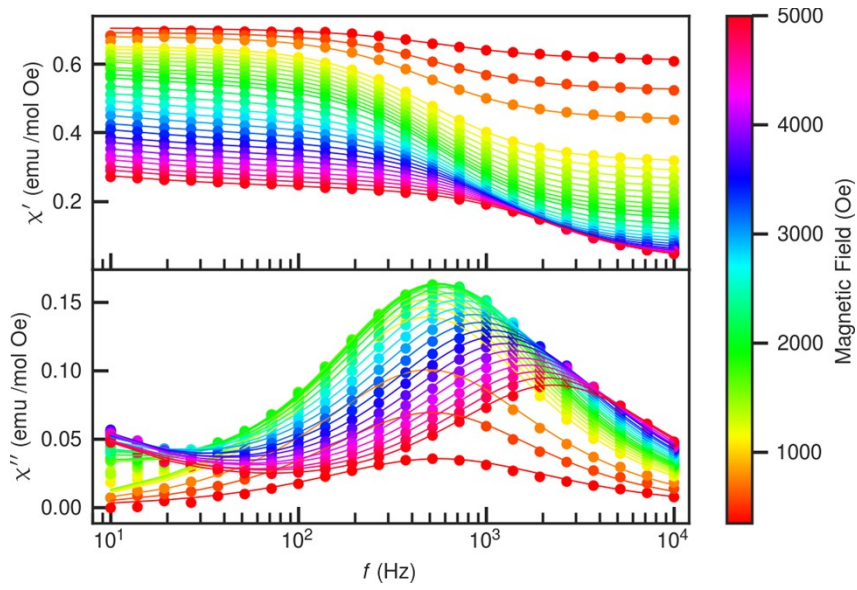


**Fig. S23.** Cole-Cole plot obtained from the frequency-dependence of  $\chi_{AC}$  susceptibility for CoCP (measured at 3 kOe) (lines represent the fits made by using a generalized Debye model).

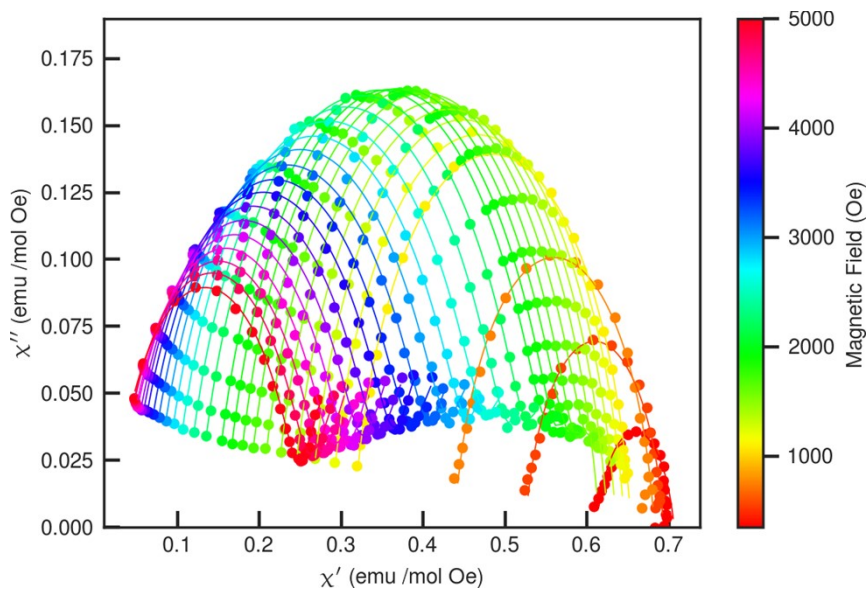
**Table S18.** Cole-Cole parameters obtained from fits of the frequency-dependence of  $\chi_{AC}$  (measured at 2.7 K) using a Generalized Debye model.

H (Oe)	$\chi_{s,T}$ (emu/K)	$\Delta\chi_{T1}$ (emu/K)	$\tau_1$ (s)	$\alpha_1$	$\Delta\chi_{T2}$ (emu/K)	$\tau_2$ (s)	$\alpha_2$
350	0.61	0.09	$2.83 \times 10^{-4}$	0.18	-	-	-
450	0.52	0.65	$2.81 \times 10^{-4}$	0.12	-	-	-
550	0.52	0.17	$3.09 \times 10^{-4}$	0.12	-	-	-
750	0.44	0.24	$3.24 \times 10^{-4}$	0.12	-	-	-
1000	0.31	0.62	$3.28 \times 10^{-4}$	0.12	-	-	-
1100	0.31	0.34	$3.27 \times 10^{-4}$	0.13	-	-	-
1200	0.29	0.36	$3.26 \times 10^{-4}$	0.13	-	-	-
1300	0.26	0.37	$3.23 \times 10^{-4}$	0.13	-	-	-
1400	0.24	0.39	$3.20 \times 10^{-4}$	0.14	-	-	-
1500	0.22	0.40	$3.16 \times 10^{-4}$	0.14	-	-	-
1600	0.20	0.40	$3.01 \times 10^{-4}$	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.25
1700	0.18	0.40	$2.93 \times 10^{-4}$	0.13	9.35	49.46	0.27
1800	0.17	0.39	$2.85 \times 10^{-4}$	0.13	2.88	126.34	0.51
1900	0.16	0.40	$2.80 \times 10^{-4}$	0.13	5.99	48.16	0.34
2000	0.14	0.40	$2.69 \times 10^{-4}$	0.13	5.66	65.38	0.39
2200	0.12	0.40	$2.54 \times 10^{-4}$	0.14	8.48	55.25	0.33
2400	0.11	0.39	$2.38 \times 10^{-4}$	0.14	6.52	69.55	0.39
2600	0.09	0.37	$2.17 \times 10^{-4}$	0.14	8.09	100.90	0.42
2800	0.08	0.36	$2.00 \times 10^{-4}$	0.15	9.31	135.11	0.42
3000	0.07	0.35	$1.82 \times 10^{-4}$	0.14	11.02	166.10	0.43
3200	0.06	0.34	$1.67 \times 10^{-4}$	0.15	16.24	155.81	0.38
3400	0.05	0.32	$1.49 \times 10^{-4}$	0.14	20.75	597.11	0.45
3600	0.05	0.31	$1.35 \times 10^{-4}$	0.15	20.61	211.87	0.39
3800	0.04	0.29	$1.21 \times 10^{-4}$	0.14	14.09	341.10	0.46
4000	0.04	0.28	$1.11 \times 10^{-4}$	0.14	18.20	321.97	0.43
4200	0.03	0.27	$1.01 \times 10^{-4}$	0.14	24.92	311.93	0.39
4400	0.03	0.25	$9.09 \times 10^{-5}$	0.12	12.05	516.65	0.50
4600	0.03	0.24	$8.28 \times 10^{-5}$	0.13	16.75	347.63	0.44
4800	0.03	0.22	$7.50 \times 10^{-5}$	0.12	16.02	608.18	0.48
5000	0.02	0.22	$6.83 \times 10^{-5}$	0.13	24.92	671.52	0.43





**Fig. S24.** Frequency-dependence of AC susceptibility for CoCP measured at 2.7 K (lines represent the fits made using a generalized Debye model).



**Fig. S25.** Cole-Cole plot obtained from the frequency-dependence of  $\chi_{AC}$  susceptibility for CoCP (measured at 2.7 K) (lines represent the fits made using a generalized Debye model).



**Table S19.** Selected magnetic data of dynamic magnetic properties and structural correlations of hexacoordinated octahedral complexes.

Compound	$\tau_0$ /s	$B_{DC}/T$	$U_{ff}/\text{cm}^{-1}$	$A/\text{s}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$	$C/\text{s}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$	$n$	$\tau_{QTM}/\text{s}$	Effect	Ref.
<b>CoCP</b>		0.045		$1.1(8) \times 10^3$	0.9(2)	6.0(1)	-	QTM	This work
		0.1		$0.9(4) \times 10^3$	0.9(2)	6.0(1)	-	Direct	
		0.3		$0.5(3) \times 10^2$	0.9(2)	6.0(1)	$3(1) \times 10^3$	Raman	
cis-[Co(hfac) <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ]		0.1		7225.7	106.4	4.9		Direct Raman	1
[Co(dca) <sub>2</sub> (bim) <sub>4</sub> ]	$0.87 \times 10^{-6}$	0.25	7.74					Orbach	2
[Co(dca) <sub>2</sub> (bim) <sub>2</sub> ] <sub>n</sub>	$1.54 \times 10^{-6}$	0.25	5.33					Orbach	2
[Co(dca) <sub>2</sub> (bmim) <sub>2</sub> ] <sub>n</sub>	$0.63 \times 10^{-6}$	0.25	13.81					Orbach	2
[Co(dca) <sub>2</sub> (atz) <sub>2</sub> ] <sub>n</sub>	$1.7 \times 10^{-6}$	0.1	5.1					Orbach	3
[Co(ppad) <sub>2</sub> ] <sub>n</sub>	$5.03 \times 10^{-6}$	0.2	11.37					Orbach	4
[Co(AcO) <sub>2</sub> (py) <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ]	$6.7 \times 10^{-7}$	0.15	25.0				0.011	Orbach QTM	5
[Co(pydm) <sub>2</sub> ](dnbz) <sub>2</sub>	$2.8(4) \times 10^{-9(a)}$	0.2	44.1(8) <sup>(a)</sup>		72(28) <sup>(a)</sup>	2.3 <sup>(a)</sup>		Raman Orbach	6
(NBu <sub>4</sub> )[Co(piv) <sub>3</sub> ]		0.1			0.19	8.3		Raman	7

Abbreviations: hfac = hexafluoroacetylacetonate; dca = dicyanamide; bim = 1-benzylimidazole; bmim = 1-benzyl-2-methylimidazole; atz = 2-amino-1,3,5-triazine; ppad = N3-(3-pyridoyl)-3-pyridinecarboxamidrazone; AcO = acetate anion; py = pyridyl; pydm = 2,6-pyridinedimethanol; dnbz = 3,5-dinitrobenzoato(1-); ac = acetato; Melm = 1-methylimidazole; piv = pivalato

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