

Supporting Information for Graphendofullerene: a novel molecular two- dimensional ferromagnet

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1) Pristine C₈₀ calculations

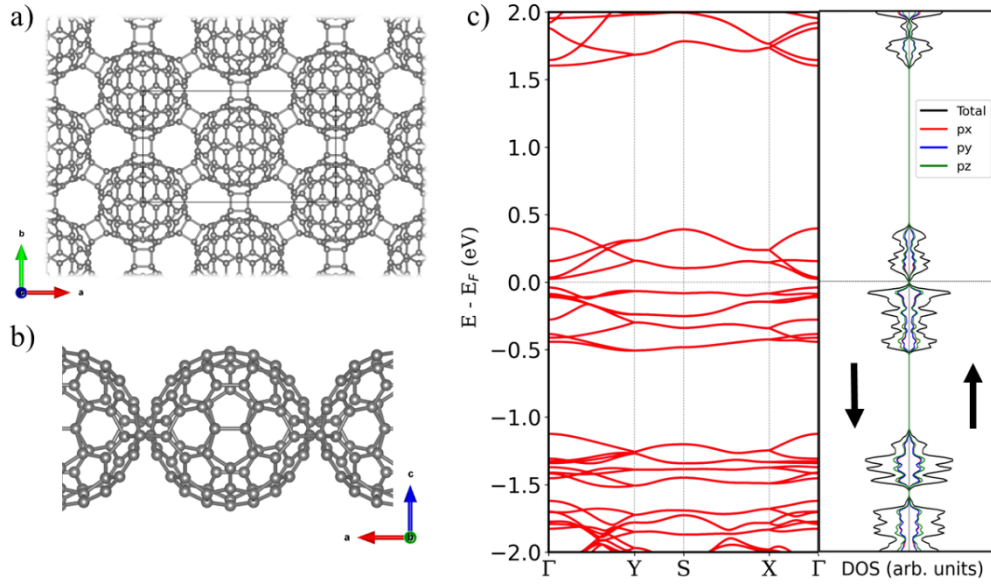


Figure S1: a) Top and b) side view of C₈₀ graphullerene. c) Electronic band structure (left) and projected density of states (PDOS) (right) for C₈₀ monolayer. Blue (red) color in a) represents spin up (down) electrons.

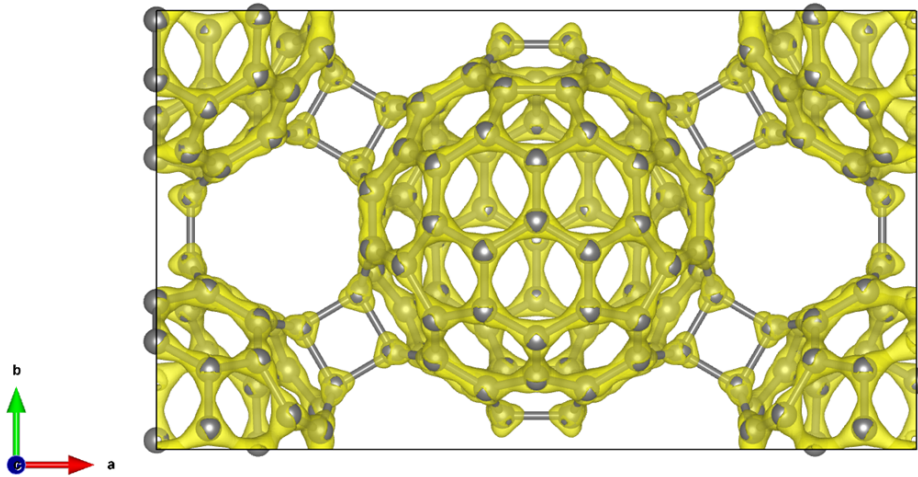


Figure S2: Electronic density of pristine C₈₀ monolayer.

2) Additional V₃N@C₈₀ calculations

2.1) *Ab-initio* molecular dynamics (AIMD)

We performed AIMD simulations on the fully optimized V₃N@C₈₀ structure during 9 ps using a time step of 1 fs at different temperatures (5, 300 and 600 K). We monitored the

evolution of energy and the structure of the system during the simulations, where we found that the morphology of the network remains stable during the simulations, revealing robust mechanical and dynamical stability.

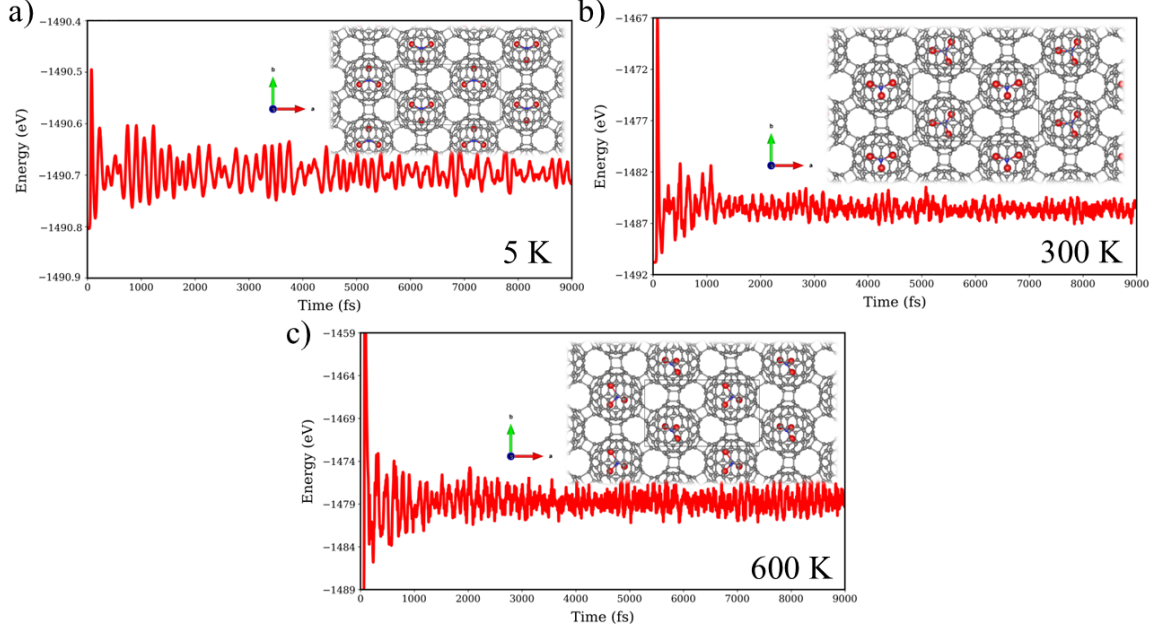


Figure S3: Energy evolution during AIMD at **a)** 5 K, **b)** 300 K and **c)** 600 K. Inset: structure snapshot during AIMD simulations.

2.2) Phonon calculations

We simulated the phonon dispersion of $V_3N@C_{80}$ (Figure S4). The phonon band structure exhibits some imaginary frequencies with slight negative frequency values around the Γ point due to numerical error. This is a well-known issue when dealing with phonon calculations in 2D materials and usually attributed to numerical inaccuracies during the simulations, small residual stress in the system and the size of the supercell,^{1,2} so this cannot be considered as a sign of kinetic instability. Indeed, we performed phonon calculations in the $ScV_2N@C_{80}$ relaxed structures (Figures S12), in which the endohedral fullerene building blocks have been experimentally synthesized,³ to compare the results with the ones founded in the proposed $V_3N@C_{80}$. There, one can see that the same behavior around Γ point is present on the $ScV_2N@C_{80}$ monolayers, confirming the

inability of this state-of-the-art methodology to describe the surrounding of Γ point properly. This can also be observed in the reported phonon band structure of the related material $\text{Sc}_3\text{N}@C_{80}$ (see Figure 1c-d of Zhao *et al.* ⁴).

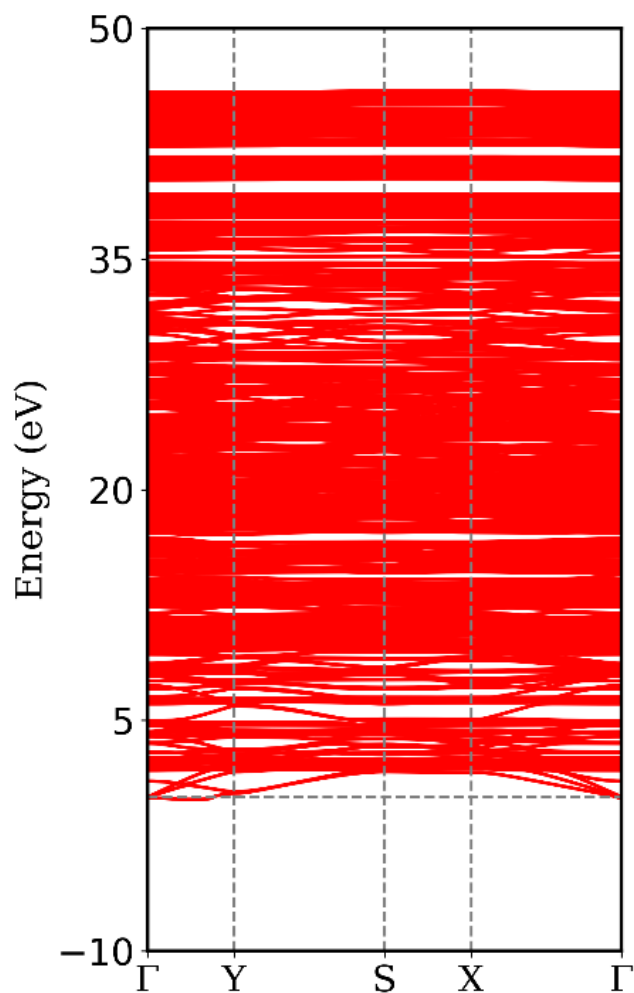


Figure S4: Phonon dispersion of $\text{V}_3\text{N}@C_{80}$.

2.3) Magnetic exchange interactions

Table S1: Relative energy of the different magnetic configurations of $V_3N@C_{80}$ in meV reported in Figure 2, with respect to the most stable one (E_{FM}).

E_{FM}	$E_{AFM \text{ single-stripe}}$	$E_{AFM \text{ double-stripe}}$	$E_{AFM \text{ zig-zag}}$
0	23	15	27

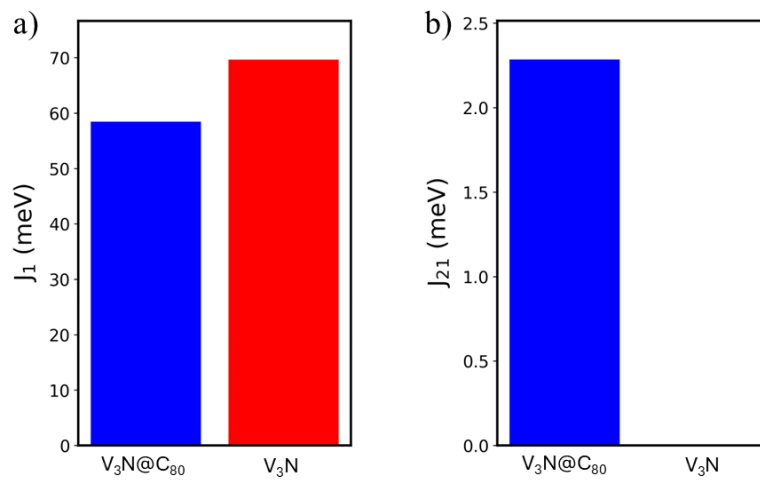


Figure S5: Values of **a) J_1** and **b) J_{21}** for V_3N inside of C_{80} (blue) and as free-standing molecular arrangement (red) in meV.

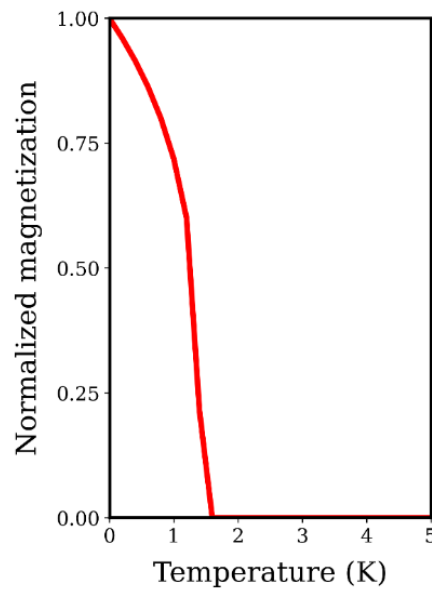


Figure S6: Simulated Curie temperature for $V_3N@C_{80}$ monolayer just taking into account the intramolecular magnetic interactions (J_I) in spin Hamiltonian.

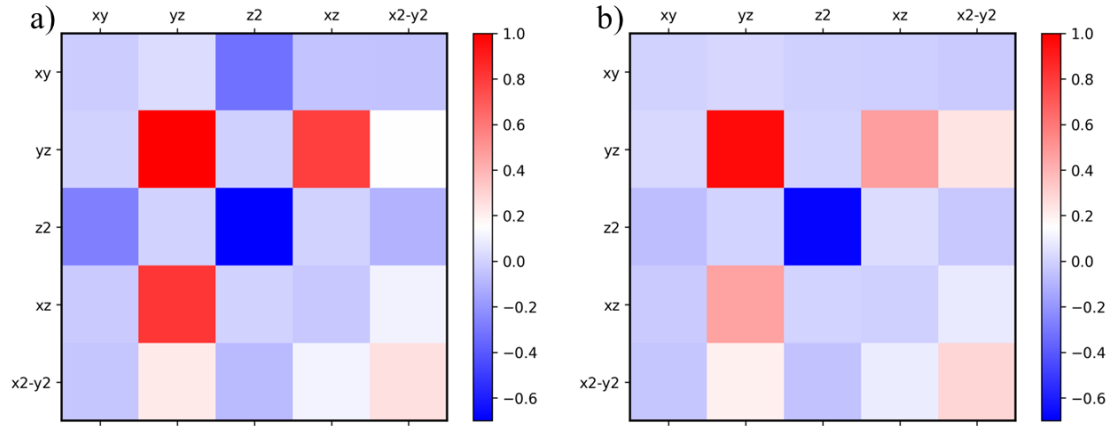


Figure S7: Orbital contribution to J_{2I} from first neighbor V atoms at **a)** -4% and **b)** 4% strain.

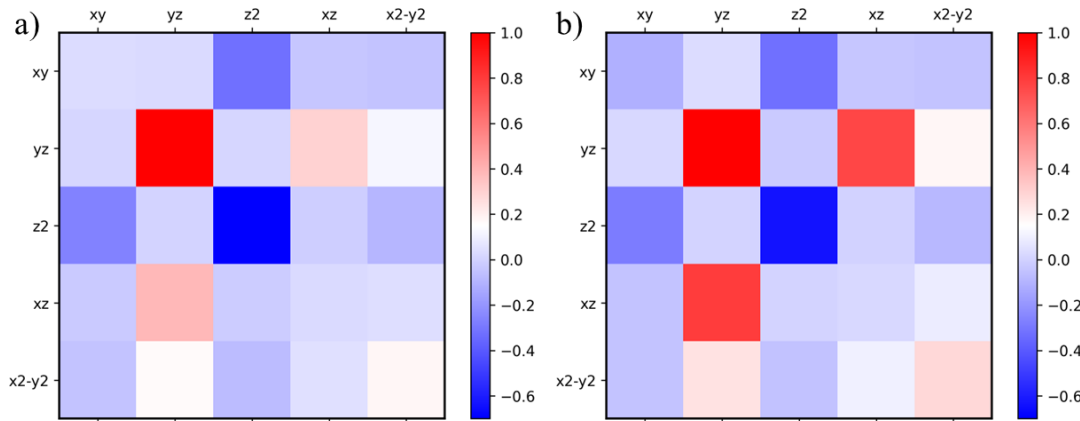


Figure S8: Orbital contribution to J_{2I} from first neighbor V atoms at **a)** $-3.24 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ and **b)** $3.24 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ carrier density. A positive (negative) sign of the carrier density is equivalent to an excess of holes (electrons).

2.4) K-points mesh convergence

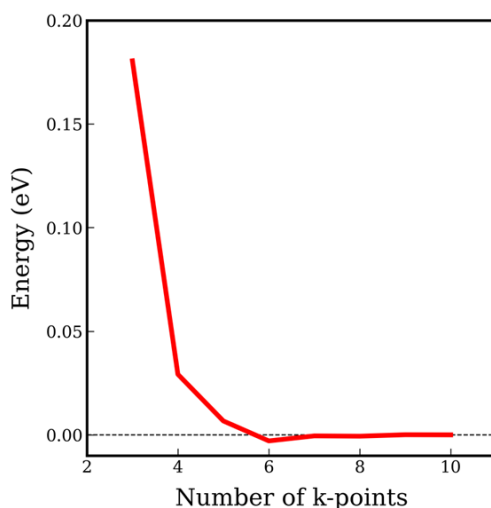


Figure S9: K-point mesh energy convergence for $V_3N@C_{80}$.

3) $ScV_2N@C_{80}$ calculations

We also test the influence on the magnetic properties of substituting V by Sc atoms in the trimetallic nitride molecules, as endohedral metallofullerenes based on Sc_3N , VSc_2N and V_2ScN have already been synthesized.³ In particular, we determine the magnetic exchange interactions using two structural models (Figure S10a and S11a) based on $V_2ScN@C_{80}$ graphendofullerene, as the introduction of the Sc atoms induces structural anisotropy in the network depending on molecular orientations. Our simulations reveal that, contrary to V_3N , antiferromagnetic coupling between adjacent molecules is favored, and a decrease of the absolute strength of both intra- and intermolecular magnetic coupling takes place (Figures S10(b-d) and S11(b-d)). However, the introduction of Sc atoms does not quench long-range magnetism in the system, which may encourage the experimental preparation of magnetic $V_2ScN@C_{80}$ graphendofullerene.

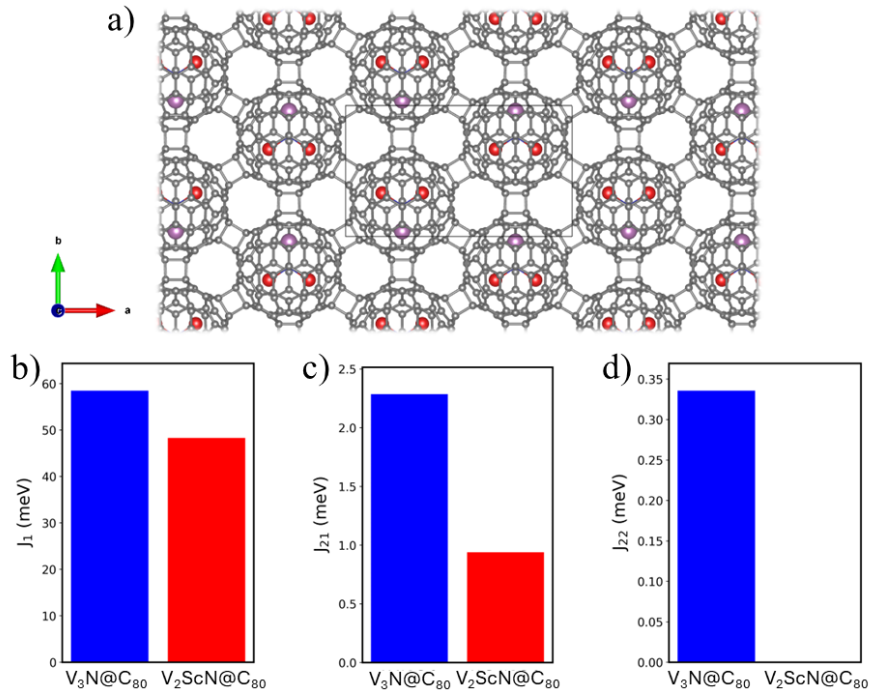


Figure S10: a) Structure of model 1 of $V_2ScN@C_{80}$ graphendofullerene. Color code: carbon (grey), blue (nitrogen), red (vanadium) and purple (scandium). Calculated b) J_1 , c) J_{21} and d) J_{22} in meV and comparison with $V_3N@C_{80}$.

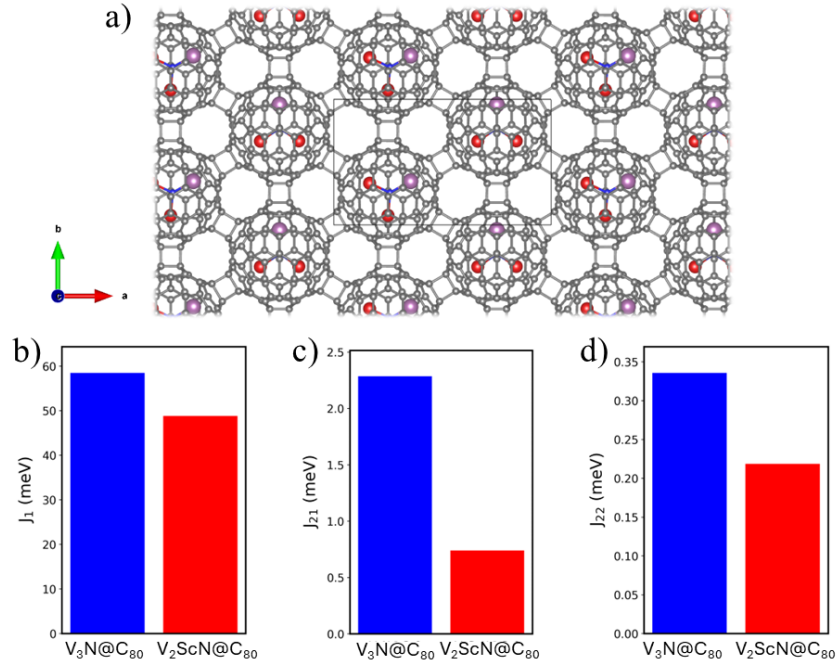


Figure S11: a) Structure of model 2 of $V_2ScN@C_{80}$ graphendofullerene. Color code: carbon (grey), blue (nitrogen), red (vanadium) and purple (scandium). Calculated b) J_1 , c) J_{21} and d) J_{22} in meV and comparison with $V_3N@C_{80}$.

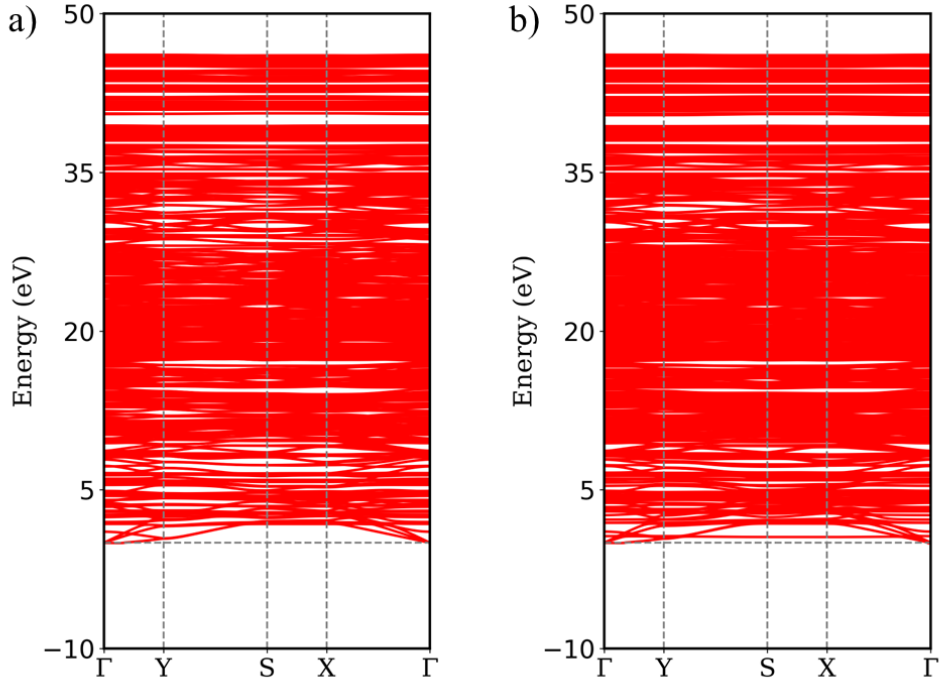


Figure S12: Phonon dispersion of $\text{ScV}_2\text{N}@C_{80}$ model a) 1 and b) 2.

4) DFT+U

We did not consider Hubbard U corrections in our calculations since the d orbitals of V were delocalized at the Fermi level (Figure S14), so penalties on the occupations of these orbitals are meaningless.⁵ We checked the influence of this parameter to corroborate this, where we observe that the pathway that mediates intermolecular interactions is not changed after the introduction of DFT+ U corrections (Figure S13). Table S2 shows the magnetic properties of $V_3N@C_{80}$ using different U values, where one can see that this parameter does not affect critically intermolecular interactions, whereas in J_I the changes are larger since the intramolecular nature of the exchange. Hubbard U corrections decrease the magnetic response of the system as expected since via the inclusion of Coulomb repulsions on d orbitals quenches the hopping between magnetic atoms. We recomputed the Curie temperature and hysteresis loop of $V_3N@C_{80}$ with $U = 1, 2$ and 3 eV (Figures S15 and S16). Here one can see that the influence of Hubbard U corrections decreases the magnetic response of the material, but the robust ferromagnetism remains present in the network.

Table S2: Magnetic exchange couplings (J), magnetic moments of V atoms and J/μ_B ratios for $V_3N@C_{80}$ monolayer for different Hubbard U values.

	U (eV)			
	0	1	2	3
J_1 (meV)	58.53	44.43	34.87	30.86
J_{21} (meV)	2.28	1.68	1.24	0.46
Magnetic moment (μ_B)	2.68	2.62	2.56	2.50
J_1/μ_B	21.83	16.99	13.62	12.35
J_{21}/μ_B	0.32	0.25	0.19	0.07

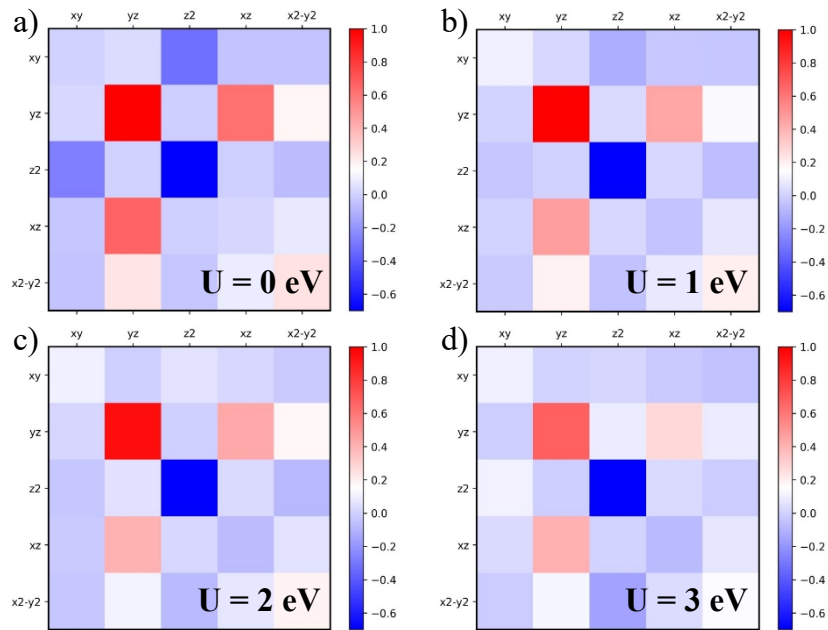


Figure S13: Orbital contribution to J_{2I} for Hubbard U values of a) 0 b) 1 c) 2 and d) 3 eV in $V_3N@C_{80}$ monolayer.

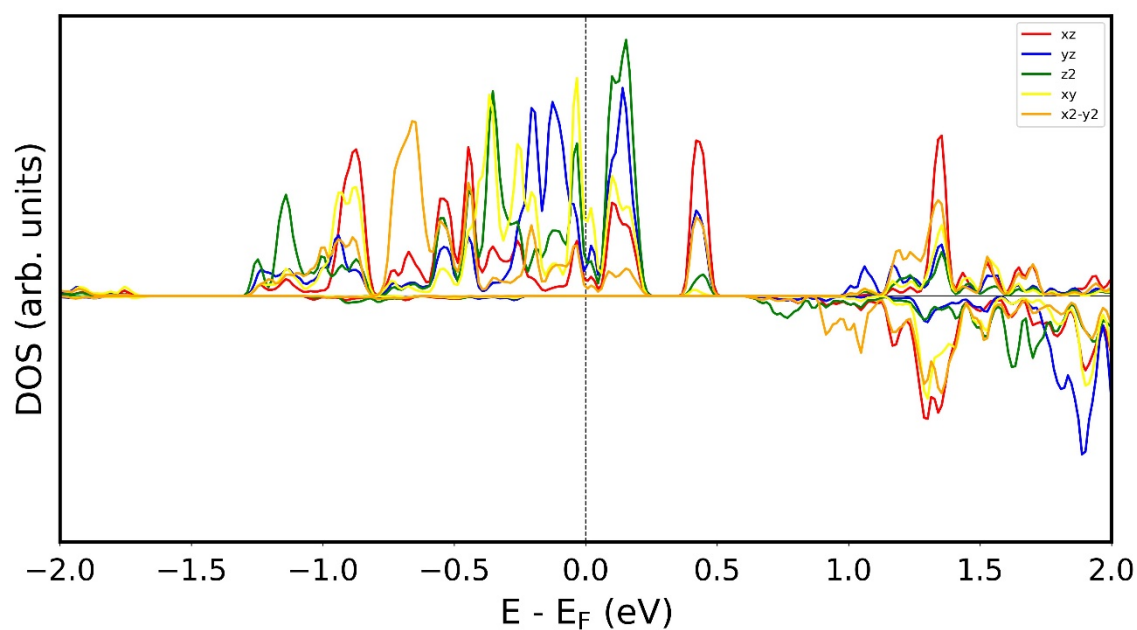


Figure S14: PDOS of d orbitals of V atoms in $V_3N@C_{80}$.

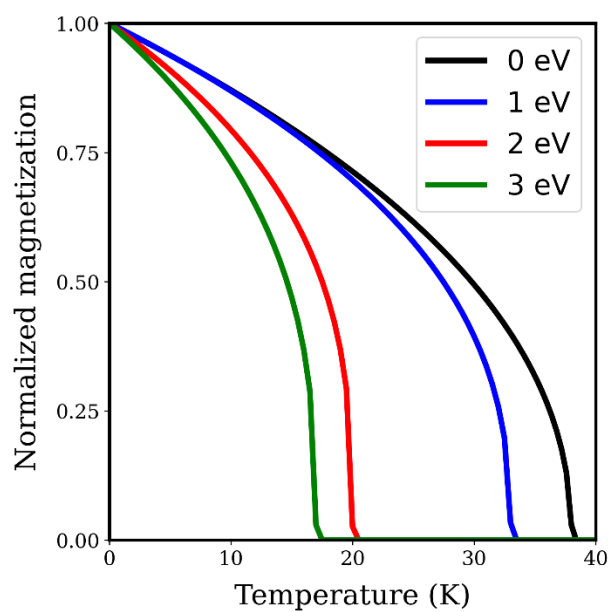


Figure S15: Calculated Curie temperature for $V_3N@C_{80}$ with different Hubbard U values.

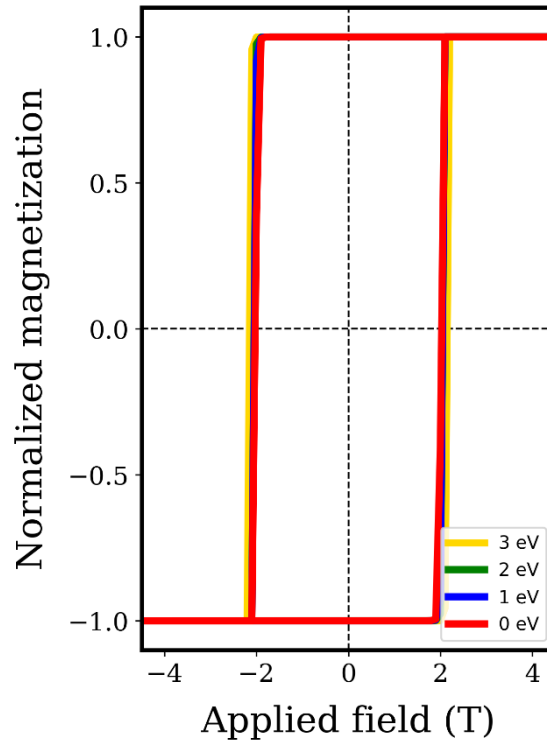


Figure S16: Calculated hysteresis loop for $V_3N@C_{80}$ with different Hubbard U values.

5) Optimized structure and lattice parameters of $V_3N@C_{80}$

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