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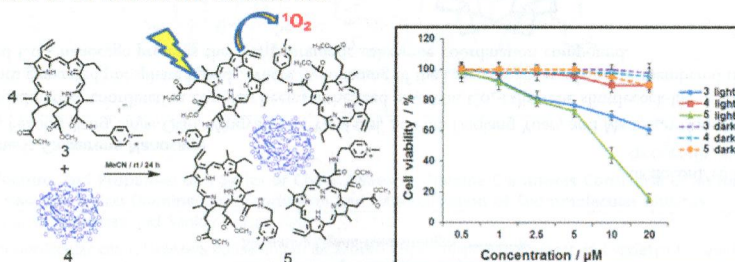
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### Efficient Photosensitization by a Chlorin–Polyoxometalate Supramolecular Complex

Il Yoon, Jung Hwa Kim, Jia Zhu Li, Woo Kyoung Lee,\* and Young Key Shim\*

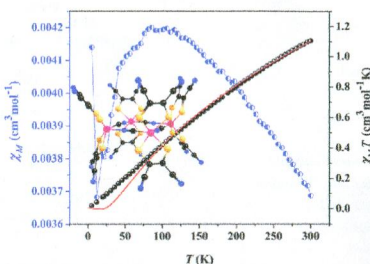
A chlorin–polyoxometalate supramolecular complex between four pyridinium chlorin and one  $[\alpha\text{-SiMo}_{12}\text{O}_{40}]^{4-}$  demonstrates significantly enhanced photodynamic activity (the lower  $\text{IC}_{50}$  value compared to the free chlorin) against A549 cell lines because of increased singlet oxygen photogeneration upon irradiation through high cellular penetration and localization of the chlorin molecules on the ionic salt into the cancer cell.



### A Cyanide-Bridged Molybdenum Bis(maleonitriledithiolate) Square

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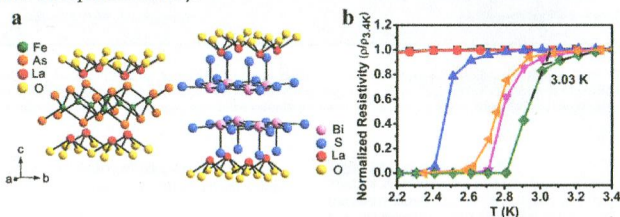
The rare cyano-bridged molybdenum square capped with radical dithiolenes displays strong inter- and intramolecular antiferromagnetic interactions.



### Effect of Local Structure Distortion on Superconductivity in Mg- and F-Codoped LaOBiS<sub>2</sub>

Haijie Chen, Ganghua Zhang, Tao Hu, Gang Mu, Wei Li, Fuqiang Huang,\* Xiaoming Xie, and Mianheng Jiang

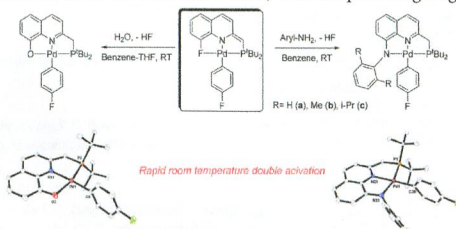
The crystal structure of LaOBiS<sub>2</sub> is composed of two alternative layered motifs with charge-positive and -negative layers, similar to the well-known Fe-based LaOFeAs. Mg<sup>2+</sup> and F<sup>-</sup> were codoped into the lattice of LaOBiS<sub>2</sub> to explore the effect of local structure distortion on superconductivity.



### Room Temperature Rapid Functionalization of E–H Bonds (E = O, N, S) via the Metal–Ligand Cooperation Mechanism

Adam Scharf, Israel Goldberg, and Arkadi Vigalok\*

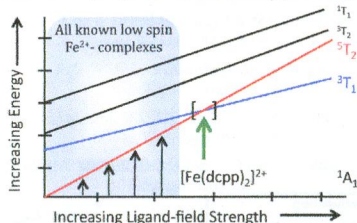
A PNF-type palladium complex strips water and anilines of both hydrogen atoms rapidly and efficiently. The reaction with thiols depends on the nature of the substituent at the sulfur atom, with thiophenols giving products of C–S elimination.



# Synthesis and Characterization of a High-Symmetry Ferrous Polypyridyl Complex: Approaching the $^5T_2/{}^3T_1$ Crossing Point for $Fe^{II}$

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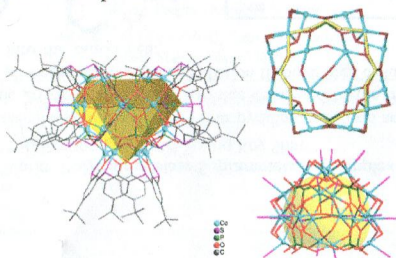
The synthesis, physical, and photophysical properties of the first member of a new class of iron(II) polypyridyl complexes are described. The near-perfect  $O_h$  symmetry and strong ligand field, coupled with an unusually short excited-state lifetime, suggest that this compound sits at or near the  $^5T_2/{}^3T_1$  term-state crossing point expected for a  $d^6$  transition-metal complex.



# Open Pentameric Calixarene Nanocage

Kongzhao Su, Feilong Jiang, Jinjie Qian, Mingyan Wu, Yanli Gai, Jie Pan, Daqiang Yuan, and Maochun Hong\*

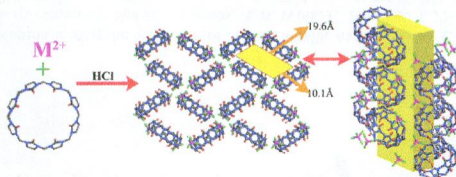
A novel open helmetlike coordination cage has been synthesized based on  $Co_4$ -calixarene shuttlecock-like secondary building units and in situ generated phosphate ligands, where the opening of the cage comprises a large 16-membered ring. The above unprecedented  $Co_{20}$  nanocage presents the first pentameric calixarene coordination compound.



# Tetrachloridometallate Dianion-Induced Cucurbit[8]uril Supramolecular Assemblies with Large Channels and Their Potential Applications for Extraction Coating on Solid-Phase Microextraction Fibers

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In the present work, we present some porous supramolecular assemblies with the largest Q[8]-based channels in the presence of  $[M_{d-block}Cl_4]^{2-}$  anions through ion-dipole interaction and hydrogen bonding between the dianion and  $\equiv CH$  or  $=CH_2$  groups on the backs of Q[8] molecules.

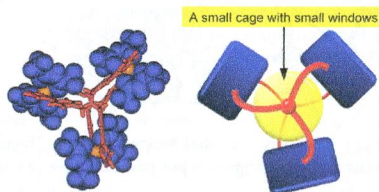




### Construction of an $M_3L_2A_6$ Cage with Small Windows from a Flexible Tripodal Ligand and $Cu(hfac)_3$

Mari Ikeda, Keiji Ohno, Yuki Kasumi, Shunsuke Kuwahara, and Yoichi Habata\*

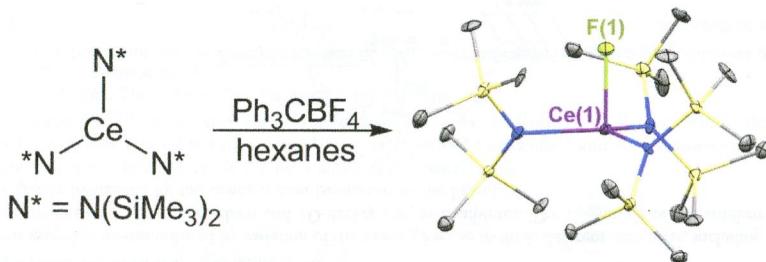
The construction of an  $M_3L_2A_6$  cage with small windows from **L** and  $Cu(hfac)_2$  is reported. Cold spray ionization mass spectrometry of a mixture of **L** and  $Cu(hfac)_2$  indicated the formation of a  $Cu_3L_2hfac_6$  cage in solution. X-ray crystallography showed that the  $Cu_3L_2hfac_6$  cage contained neutral molecules such as THF and  $CHCl_3$ . The six hfac anions were critical to the neutral guest molecules being tightly held.



### Synthesis, Bonding, and Reactivity of a Cerium(IV) Fluoride Complex

Ursula J. Williams, Jerome R. Robinson, Andrew J. Lewis, Patrick J. Carroll, Patrick J. Walsh, and Eric J. Schelter\*

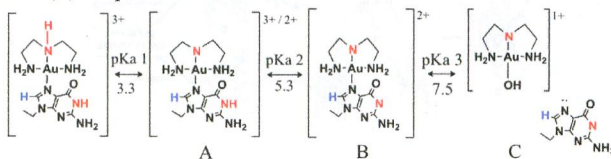
Oxidation of  $Ce[N(SiMe_3)_2]_3$  in the presence of  $PF_6^-$  or  $BF_4^-$  afforded isolation of  $CeF[N(SiMe_3)_2]_3$ . Structural, electrochemical, and spectroscopic characterization and density functional theory have been used to characterize this compound.



### Synthesis and Properties of the First $[Au(dien)(N\text{-heterocycle})]^{3+}$ Compounds

Sarah R. Spell and Nicholas P. Farrell\*

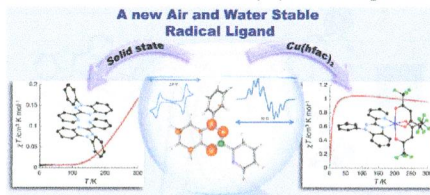
The solution properties of  $[Au(dien)(9\text{-EtG})](NO_3)_3$  show three pH-dependent species over a broad pH range. The use of N-heterocycle ligands modulates the reduction potential of gold(III) and the acidity of the dien moiety. The gold(III) compounds show significant enhancement of  $\pi$ - $\pi$ -stacking interactions relative to their isostructural and isoelectronic platinum(II) and palladium(II) compounds



# 1-Phenyl-3-(pyrid-2-yl)benzo[e][1,2,4]triazinyl: The First “Blatter Radical” for Coordination Chemistry

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A neutral air- and moisture-stable  $N,N'$ -chelating radical ligand, 1-phenyl-3-(pyrid-2-yl)benzo[e][1,2,4]triazinyl (**1**) was synthesized and characterized by electron paramagnetic resonance spectroscopy, X-ray crystallography, magnetic measurements, and theoretical calculations. The coordination properties of **1** were verified by synthesis of the copper(II) complex  $\text{Cu}(\textbf{1})(\text{hfac})_2$  in which the radical binds to the metal in a bidentate fashion. Radical **1** is a new addition to the growing library of 1,2,4-triazinyl radicals and the first member of this family synthesized specifically for coordination purposes.

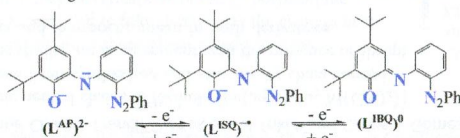


## Articles

# Neutral, Cationic, and Anionic Low-Spin Iron(III) Complexes Stabilized by Amidophenolate and Iminobenzosemiquinonate Radical in $N,N,O$ Ligands

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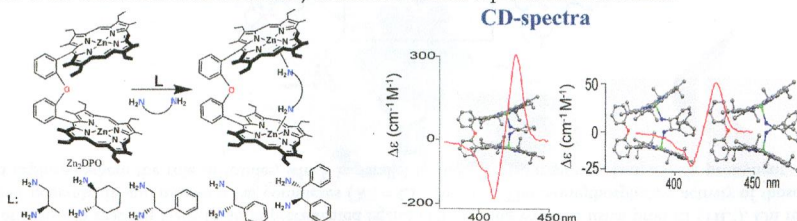
Using a new redox-active azo-appended tridentate ligand,  $\text{H}_2\text{L} = 2-(2\text{-phenylazo})\text{anilino}-4,6\text{-di-}t\text{-butylphenol}$ , complexes  $[\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}(\text{L})_2]$  (**1**) (X-ray),  $[\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}\{(\text{L}^{\text{ISO}})^-\}_2][\text{BF}_4]$  (**2**) (X-ray), and  $[\text{Co}^{\text{III}}(\eta^5\text{-C}_{10}\text{H}_{15})_2][\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}\{(\text{L}^{\text{AP}})^{2-}\}_2]$  (**3**) are synthesized. Detailed spectroscopic, redox, and DFT investigations have been performed to assign the oxidation and spin-state of iron and the oxidation level of the coordinated ligands in **1–3**. Existence of valence-tautomerism in **2** and **3** has been noted.



# Synthesis, Structure, and Properties of a Series of Chiral Tweezer–Diamine Complexes Consisting of an Achiral Zinc(II) Bisporphyrin Host and Chiral Diamine Guest: Induction and Rationalization of Supramolecular Chirality

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A series of supramolecular chiral tweezers consisting of an achiral  $\text{Zn}(\text{II})$  bisporphyrin host and variety of chiral diamine guests have been presented here that demonstrate a full and unambiguous rationalization of the chirality transfer process from the chiral guest to the achiral host observed in many natural and artificial supramolecular assemblies.

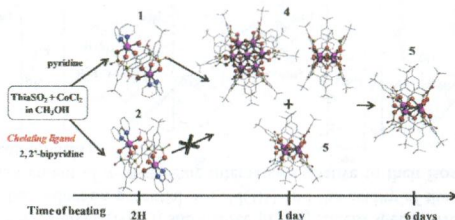




# Polynuclear Complex Family of Cobalt(II)/Sulfonylcalixarene: One-Pot Synthesis of Cluster Salt $[\text{Co}_{14}]^{II+}[\text{Co}_4^{II}]^{-}$ and Field-Induced Slow Magnetic Relaxation in a Six-Coordinate Dinuclear Cobalt(II)/Sulfonylcalixarene Complex

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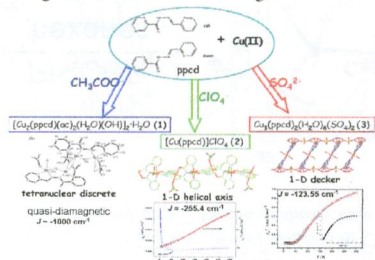
Starting from the same initial sulfonylcalixarene and cobalt salt mixture but varying the reaction time results in the formation of several new clusters, an original structure based on  $[\text{Co}_{14}][\text{Co}_4]$  clusters was obtained, representing the first one-pot synthesis of a cobalt aggregate salt reported in the literature. The synthesis and magnetic properties of these cobalt compounds are discussed.



# Anion-Tunable Configuration Isomerism and Magnetic Coupling in a Tetranuclear Discrete, One-Dimensional (1D) Chiral Chain and 1D-Decker Copper(II) Complexes of a Carbohydrazine Derivative

Wei Huang, Yuchao Jin, Dayu Wu,\* and Genhua Wu

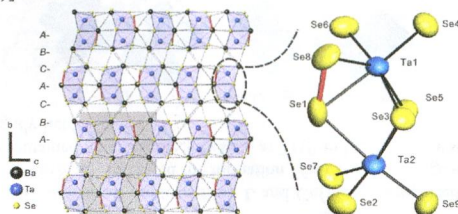
The different assembly modes induced by variation of the anion gave rise to three different structures, including a tetranuclear discrete, one-dimensional (1D) chiral chain and 1D-decker copper complexes. The magnitude of the antiferromagnetic coupling is greatly influenced by the configuration isomerism of the ligand.



# $\text{Ba}_3\text{TM}_2\text{Se}_9$ (TM = Nb, Ta): Synthesis and Characterization of New Polyselenides

Ming-Yan Chung and Chi-Shen Lee\*

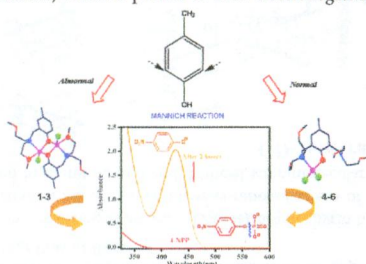
Polyselenides  $\text{Ba}_3\text{TM}_2\text{Se}_9$  (TM = Nb, Ta) were prepared and crystallized in a new structural type. The 3D structures comprise distorted close-packed layers of  $[\text{BaSe}_3]^{3-}$  with stacking sequence ABCACB. TM atoms occupy octahedral holes to form isolated  $[(\text{TM}^{5+})_2(\text{Se}^{2-})_7(\text{Se}_2^{2-})]$  units.



# Influence of the Coordination Environment of Zinc(II) Complexes of Designed Mannich Ligands on Phosphatase Activity: A Combined Experimental and Theoretical Study

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Tuning of Mannich reaction leads to an unprecedented ligand (HL<sup>1</sup>) along with the usual product (HL<sup>2</sup>). On reaction with Zn<sup>II</sup>X<sub>2</sub>, they generate di- and mononuclear complexes (X<sup>-</sup> = Cl<sup>-</sup>, Br<sup>-</sup>, I<sup>-</sup>). The monophosphatase activity of those complexes has been explored where the role of halides, which is parallel to their electronegativity, is markedly prominent.



# Spin Crossover Iron(II) Coordination Polymer Chains: Syntheses, Structures, and Magnetic Characterizations of

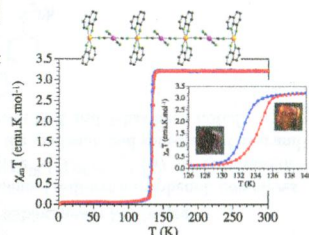
[Fe(aqin)<sub>2</sub>(μ<sub>2</sub>-M(CN)<sub>4</sub>)] (M = Ni(II), Pt(II), aqin = Quinolin-8-amine)

Fatima Setifi, Eric Milin, Catherine Charles, Franck Th  tiot, Smail Triki,\* and Carlos J. G  mez-Garc  a

New Fe<sup>II</sup> coordination polymeric neutral chains of formula [Fe(aqin)<sub>2</sub>(μ<sub>2</sub>-M(CN)<sub>4</sub>)]

(M = Ni<sup>II</sup> (1) and Pt<sup>II</sup> (2)) have been synthesized and structurally characterized.

Detailed structural and magnetic studies are in agreement with the presence of abrupt spin crossover (SCO) behaviors and thermochromism in both derivatives.

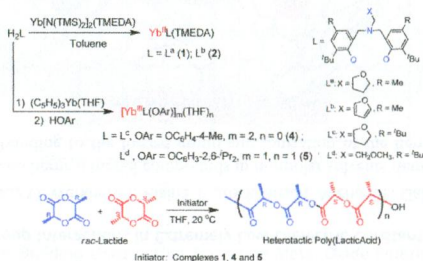




# New [ONOO]-Type Amine Bis(phenolate) Ytterbium(III) and -(III) Complexes: Synthesis, Structure, and Catalysis for Highly Heteroselective Polymerization of *rac*-Lactide

Sheng Yang, Kun Nie, Yong Zhang, Mingqiang Xue, Yingming Yao, and Qi Shen\*

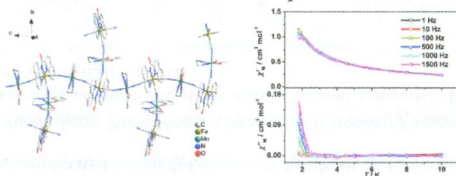
Two divalent ytterbium ( $\text{Yb}^{\text{II}}$ ) complexes, **1** and **2**, supported by new [ONOO]-type amine bis(phenolate) ligands  $\text{L}^{\text{a,b}}$  were synthesized by an amine elimination reaction of  $\text{Yb}^{\text{II}}(\text{N}(\text{SiMe}_3)_2)_2(\text{TMEDA})$  (TMEDA = tetramethylethylenediamine) with one equivalent of the ligand precursor. Two new trivalent ytterbium ( $\text{Yb}^{\text{III}}$ ) aryloxide complexes, **4** and **5**, bearing [ONOO]-type amine bis(phenolate) ligands  $\text{L}^{\text{c}}$  and  $\text{L}^{\text{d}}$  were prepared by double-protonation reaction of  $\text{Yb}(\text{C}_5\text{H}_5)_3\cdot\text{THF}$  with one equivalent of the ligand precursor, then one equivalent of phenol. Complexes **1** and **4** were found to be extremely active for controlled ROP of *rac*-LA. Complexes **1**, **4** and **5** exhibited high stereoselectivity to give heterotactic poly(lactide) with  $P_r$  ranging from 0.97 to 0.99.



# Syntheses, Crystal Structures, and Magnetic Properties of Four New Cyano-Bridged Bimetallic Complexes Based on the *mer*- $[\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}(\text{qcq})(\text{CN})_3]^-$ Building Block

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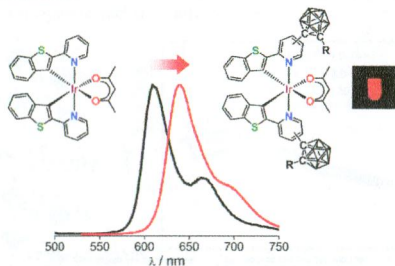
Four cyano-bridged  $\text{Mn}^{\text{II/III}}$  based complexes **1–4** constructed from *mer*- $[\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}(\text{qcq})(\text{CN})_3]^-$  have been synthesized and characterized. Complexes **1** and **2** feature a novel 1-D linear chain structure, while **3** and **4** are hexanuclear and trinuclear clusters. Slow magnetic relaxations are found for **1** and **2** at low temperature.



### Deep Red Phosphorescence of Cyclometalated Iridium Complexes by *o*-Carborane Substitution

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Youngkyu Do,\* and Min Hyung Lee\*

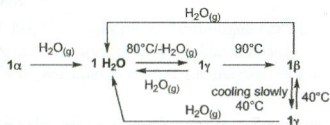
The introduction of an *o*-carborane to the 4- or 5-position of the pyridine ring of a btp ligand in heteroleptic ( $C^*N$ )<sub>2</sub>Ir(acac) complexes leads to deep red phosphorescence, which is substantially red-shifted compared to that of (btp)<sub>2</sub>Ir(acac). The solution processed PhOLED devices incorporating the 5-carborane substituted Ir(III) complex as an emitter display moderate performance with deep red phosphorescence.



### Probing Hydrogen Bond Networks in Half-Sandwich Ru(II) Building Blocks by a Combined <sup>1</sup>H DQ CRAMPS Solid-State NMR, XRPD, and DFT Approach

Michele R. Chierotti, Roberto Gobetto,\* Carlo Nervi, Alessia Bacchi, Paolo Pelagatti, Valentina Colombo, and Angelo Sironi\*

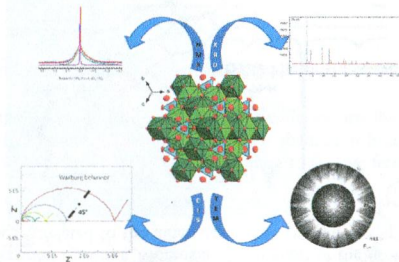
XRPD and SS NMR are complementary techniques providing long and short-range information, respectively, which can be further refined by DFT periodic lattice calculations. This combined approach has allowed us to shed light on the qualitative phase diagram of the [(*p*-cymene)Ru( $\kappa$ N-INA)Cl<sub>2</sub>] polymorphic system (where INA is isonicotinic acid) and to fully characterize the changes in the hydrogen bond networks inherent to all of these phase transformations.



### La<sub>10</sub>W<sub>2</sub>O<sub>21</sub>: An Anion-Deficient Fluorite-Related Superstructure with Oxide Ion Conduction

Marie-Hélène Chambrier,\* Armel Le Bail, Fabien Giovannelli, Abdelkrim Redjaïmia, Pierre Florian, Dominique Massiot, Emmanuelle Suard, and François Goutenoire

The crystal structure of La<sub>10</sub>W<sub>2</sub>O<sub>21</sub> is best described, on average, by a 2 × 2 × 2 anion-deficient fluorite-related superstructure cubic cell, with space group  $F\bar{4}3m$ ,  $Z = 4$ , and  $a = 11.17932(6)$  Å, similar to Y<sub>7</sub>ReO<sub>14.6</sub>. It is shown that classical cubic twinning along the 3-fold axis does take place. This compound exhibits interesting fast oxide ion conducting properties, comparable with LAMOX at low temperature.

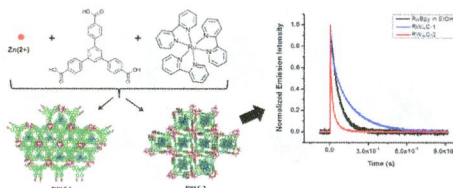




# Ruthenium(II) Tris(2,2'-bipyridine)-Templated Zinc(II) 1,3,5-Tris(4-carboxyphenyl)benzene Metal Organic Frameworks: Structural Characterization and Photophysical Properties

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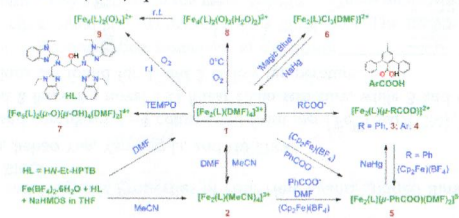
Here the ability of Ru(II) tris(2,2'-bipyridine) cations to template two new MOF structures from Zn(II) ions and 1,3,5-tris(4-carboxyphenyl)benzene tribenzoic acid is presented. The new MOFs impart novel photophysical properties to the encapsulated Ru(II) bipyridine complex. Of key interest is that encapsulation appears to populate new electronic excited states within the Ru(II) complex.



# Versatile Reactivity of a Solvent-Coordinated Diiron(II) Compound: Synthesis and Dioxygen Reactivity of a Mixed-Valent Fe<sup>II</sup>Fe<sup>III</sup> Species

Amit Majumdar, Ulf-Peter Apfel, Yunbo Jiang, Pierre Moënné-Loccoz,\* and Stephen J. Lippard\*

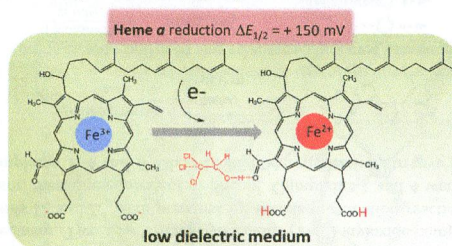
Synthesis, characterization, and reactivity of diiron complexes with or without carboxylate bridges, featuring reversible dioxygen activity of a mixed-valent diiron(II,III) species.



# Evaluation of Heme Peripheral Group Interactions in Extremely Low-Dielectric Constant Media and Their Contributions to the Heme Reduction Potential.

Jose F. Cerda,\* Mary C. Malloy, Brady O. Werkheiser, Alaina T. Stockhausen, Michael F. Gallagher, and Andrew C. Lawler

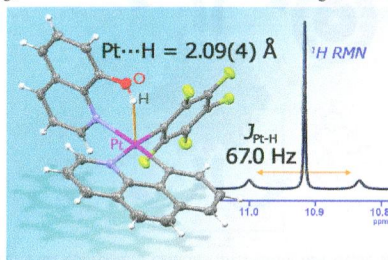
Electrochemical studies of heme *b* and heme *a* model compounds in nonpolar solvents demonstrate that the heme *a* reduction potential can be modulated by H-bonding to the formyl group and ionization of the heme propionates.



# Synthesis, Characterization, And Computational Study of Complexes Containing Pt...H Hydrogen Bonding Interactions

Miguel Baya, Úrsula Belio, and Antonio Martín\*

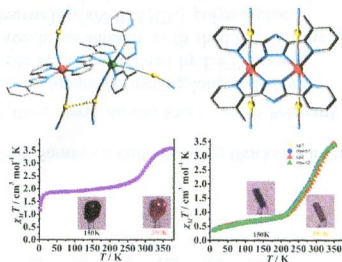
Platinum(II) complexes containing hydroxyquinoline ligands show an intramolecular hydrogen bond in which the metal center acts as the proton acceptor, both in the solid state (X-ray) and in solution (NMR). Computational studies indicate that this bond is electrostatic but with a *partial covalence*. Moreover, the amount of the downfield displacement of the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR signal (typical for hydrogen bonding) is related to the difference in the charges of the H and Pt atoms.



# Spin-Crossover Behavior in Two New Supramolecular Isomers

Zheng Yan, Zhao-Ping Ni, Fu-Sheng Guo, Jin-Yan Li, Yan-Chong Chen, Jun-Liang Liu, Wei-Quan Lin, Daniel Aravena, Eliseo Ruiz,\* and Ming-Liang Tong\*

Two spin-crossover (SCO) supramolecular isomers formulated as  $[\text{Fe}(\text{Mebpt})\{\text{Au}(\text{CN})_2\}]_n \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$  have been successfully isolated. Compound **1** is a two-dimensional coordination layer with both *cis* and *trans* octahedral configurations, in which only the Fe(II) centers in *trans* configuration exhibit spin transition ( $T_c = 303\text{ K}$ ), while  $2\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$  showed purely *trans* configurations undergoing two-step SCO.

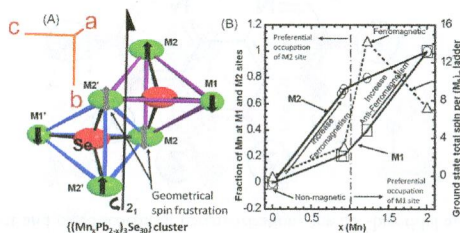




# Geometrical Spin Frustration and Ferromagnetic Ordering in $(\text{Mn}_x\text{Pb}_{2-x})\text{Pb}_2\text{Sb}_4\text{Se}_{10}$

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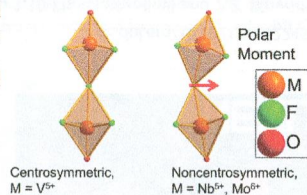
Isomorphic substitutions of  $\text{Pb}^{2+}$  by  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  within the  $[\text{Pb}_6\text{Se}_{30}]_\infty$  cluster in the structure of  $\text{Pb}_4\text{Sb}_4\text{Se}_{10}$  generate quasi-isolated one-dimensional  $[(\text{Mn}_x\text{Pb}_{2-x})_3\text{Se}_{30}]$  magnetic subunits with geometrically frustrated spin distributions coherently embedded within the semiconducting main-group metal selenide framework. At a critical temperature of 125 K, moments within individual magnetic subunits undergo cooperative ferromagnetic ordering leading to exceptionally high effective magnetic moment.



# Polar Alignment of $\Lambda$ -Shaped Basic Building Units within Transition Metal Oxide Fluoride Materials

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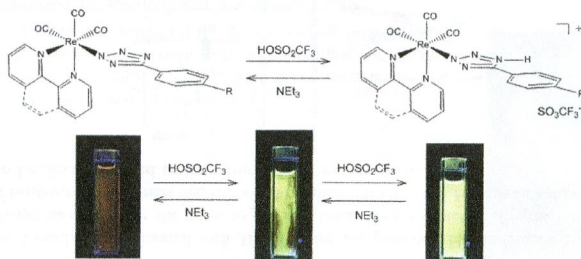
A series of pseudosymmetrical structures of formula  $\text{K}_{10}(\text{M}_2\text{O}_n\text{F}_{11-n})_3\text{X}$  ( $\text{M} = \text{V}$  and  $\text{Nb}$ ,  $n = 2$ ,  $\text{X} = (\text{F}_2\text{Cl})_{1/3}$ ,  $\text{Br}$ ,  $\text{Br}_{4/2}\text{I}_{4/2}$ ;  $\text{M} = \text{Mo}$ ,  $n = 4$ ,  $\text{X} = \text{Cl}$ ,  $\text{Br}_{4/2}$ ,  $\text{I}_{4/2}$ ) illustrates generation of polar structures with the use of  $\Lambda$ -shaped basic building units (BBUs). These materials differ in their (non)centrosymmetry despite chemical and structural similarities. These  $\Lambda$ -shaped BBUs form as a consequence of the coordination environment around the bridging anion of the metal oxide fluoride BBUs.



# Proton-Induced Reversible Modulation of the Luminescent Output of Rhenium(I), Iridium(III), and Ruthenium(II) Tetrazolate Complexes

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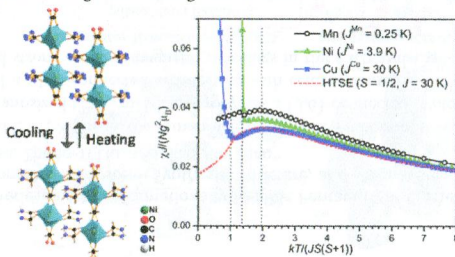
Tetrazolate-based complexes are electrophile-sensitive molecules. In particular, protonation reaction causes dramatic changes in the luminescent performances of  $\text{Re}(\text{I})$ ,  $\text{Ir}(\text{III})$ , and  $\text{Ru}(\text{II})$  tetrazolate complexes. Taking advantage of the use of a protonation–deprotonation protocol, it is therefore possible to reversibly modulate the luminescence output of such metal tetrazolate complexes.



# Synthesis, Crystal Structures, Magnetic, and Thermal Properties of Divalent Metal Formate–Formamide Layered Compounds.

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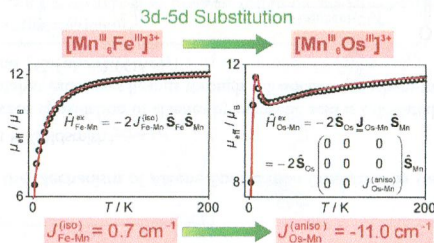
A series of layered metal formate compounds,  $[M(\text{HCOO})_2(\text{HCONH}_2)_2]$  ( $M = \text{Mn}, \text{Ni}, \text{Cu}, \text{Zn}, \text{Mg}$ ) were obtained by solvothermal reactions of divalent metal salts with. The compounds consist of  $M(\text{HCOO})_2$  layers with formamide ligands coordinated to the metal centers acting as spacers between the layers. The Mn, Ni, and Zn compounds show order–disorder phase transformations associated with the formamide  $-\text{NH}_2$  groups. The magnetic properties of the Mn, Ni, and Cu compounds are dominated by antiferromagnetic exchange interactions.



# Strong and Anisotropic Superexchange in the Single-Molecule Magnet (SMM) $[\text{Mn}^{\text{III}}_6\text{Os}^{\text{III}}_3]^{3+}$ : Promoting SMM Behavior through 3d–5d Transition Metal Substitution

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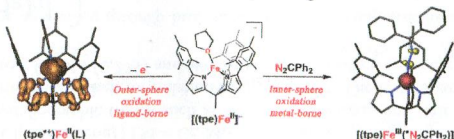
Substitution of the 3d ion  $\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}$  l.s. in  $[\text{Mn}^{\text{III}}_6\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}_3]^{3+}$  ( $= [(\text{talen}^{\text{t-Bu}})\text{Mn}^{\text{III}}_3]_2[\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}(\text{CN})_6]_3^{3+}$ ) with its 5d homologue  $\text{Os}^{\text{III}}$  l.s. leads to a strengthening of the  $M^{\text{central}}\text{—Mn}^{\text{III}}$  exchange interaction along with the manifestation of an Ising-like exchange anisotropy. As a consequence, the single-molecule magnet  $[\text{Mn}^{\text{III}}_6\text{Os}^{\text{III}}_3]^{3+}$  exhibits a higher energy barrier for magnetization reversal than  $[\text{Mn}^{\text{III}}_6\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}_3]^{3+}$ .



# Multiple, Disparate Redox Pathways Exhibited by a Tris(pyrrolido)ethane Iron Complex

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Iron(II) bound to the trianionic trispyrrolyl ligand (tpe), and two redox pathways are observed. Outer-sphere electron-transfer is dominated by the high-lying tpe-ligand  $\pi$ -orbitals, leading to H-atom abstraction from a ligand-based radical. Oxidation occurring via an inner-sphere electron transfer is metal centered, leading to anionic ferric complexes.

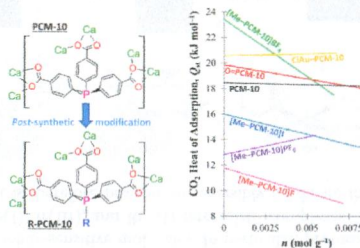




# Tuning the Host–Guest Interactions in a Phosphine Coordination Polymer through Different Types of *post-Synthetic* Modification

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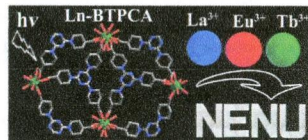
PCM-10 is a Phosphine Coordination Material with 3D structure and porosity that undergoes a series of *post-synthetic* modifications at the phosphine sites inside the pores to generate unusual pore moieties ( $\text{P}-\text{AuCl}$ ,  $\text{P}=\text{O}$ , and  $[\text{P}-\text{CH}_3]^+ \text{X}^-$ ). The resulting family of isostructural materials display broad tunability in  $\text{CO}_2$  and  $\text{H}_2$  uptake behavior; the measured isosteric heats of adsorption can be directly related to the nature of the modification.



# Color Tuning and White Light Emission via in Situ Doping of Luminescent Lanthanide Metal–Organic Frameworks

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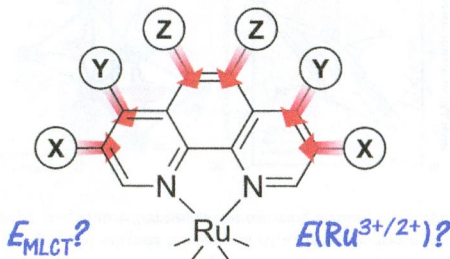
Lanthanide ion centers with identical coordination environment in lanthanide metal–organic frameworks prompt us to prepare mixed lanthanide analogues by way of in situ doping. With adjustment of the relative concentration of the lanthanide ions, tunable color and white light emission can be achieved.



# Ruthenium Bis-diimine Complexes with a Chelating Thioether Ligand: Delineating 1,10-Phenanthrolyl and 2,2'-Bipyridyl Ligand Substituent Effects

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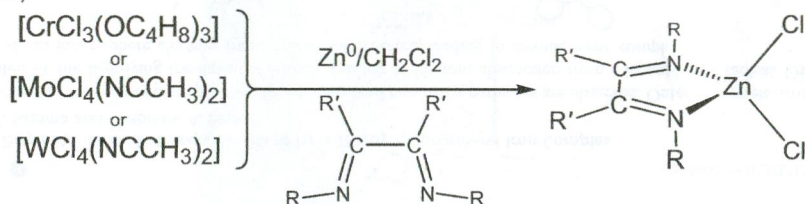
Ruthenium(II) diimine complexes with the  $\pi$ -acidic bidentate 1,2-bis(phenylthio)ethane (dpte) ligand exhibit surprising luminescence in room-temperature fluid solution. Variations in the MLCT energies and  $\text{Ru}(\text{III}/\text{II})$  redox couple can be understood in terms of the influence of the donor properties of the ligands on the mainly metal-based HOMO and mainly diimine ligand-based LUMO. Analysis of the spectroscopic and electrochemical properties revealed surprising correlations and yielded recommended Hammett and electrochemical parametrizations for 2,2'-bipyridyl and 1,10'-phenanthrolyl ligand substituents.



# Element Misidentification in X-ray Crystallography: A Reassessment of the $[MCl_2(\text{diazadiene})]$ ( $M = \text{Cr, Mo, W}$ ) Series

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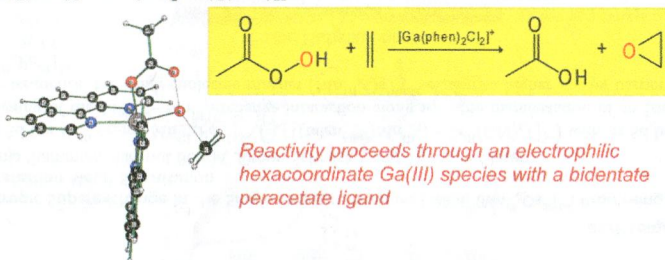
A reassessment of reported  $[MCl_2(\text{diazadiene})]$  ( $M = \text{Cr, Mo, W}$ ) complexes in the context of known chemistry of low-valent Group VI metal complexes, crystallographic trends such as  $M\text{--Cl}$  bond lengths and unit cell volumes, and calculated metal–ligand bond lengths points toward their formulation being incorrect. The CIFs accompanying the published structures show partial site occupancy factors for Mo (0.775) and W (0.4005, 0.417), which engender behavior as zinc, the metal atoms' true identity.



# Computational Examination of the Mechanism of Alkene Epoxidation Catalyzed by Gallium(III) Complexes with N-Donor Ligands

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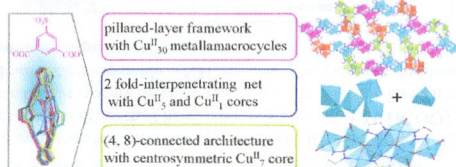
The mechanism of gallium-catalyzed epoxidation of alkenes by peracetic acid is calculated to proceed through an electrophilic  $\kappa^2$  peracetate complex. The precatalyst exchanges ligands through a dissociative mechanism. The gallium in the reaction mostly exists as  $[\text{Ga}(\text{phen})_2(\text{OAc})]^{2+}$  and  $[\text{Ga}(\text{phen})_2(\text{OAc})_2]^+$ .



# Diverse Self-Assembly from Predesigned Conformationally Flexible Pentanuclear Clusters Observed in a Ternary Copper(II)–Triazolate–Sulfoisophthalate System: Synthesis, Structure, and Magnetism

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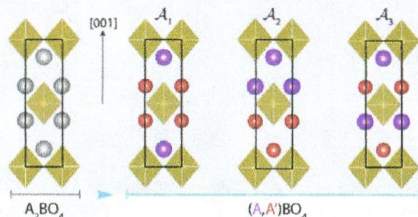
Self-assembly from predesigned  $\text{Cu}^{\text{II}}$  SBUs in the ternary  $\text{Cu}^{\text{II}}$ –triazolate–sulfoisophthalate system respectively generates a pillared-layer framework with nanosized  $\text{Cu}^{\text{II}}_{30}$  metallamacrocycles, a (3,6)-connected twofold interpenetrating topological net with  $\text{Cu}^{\text{II}}_5$  and  $\text{Cu}^{\text{II}}_1$  cores, and a (4,8)-connected architecture with centrosymmetric  $\text{Cu}^{\text{II}}_7$  clusters, which exhibit field-dependent metamagnetism and strong antiferromagnetic couplings in the  $\text{Cu}^{\text{II}}_5$  and  $\text{Cu}^{\text{II}}_7$  cores.



### Crystal-Chemistry Guidelines for Noncentrosymmetric $A_2BO_4$ Ruddlesden–Popper Oxides

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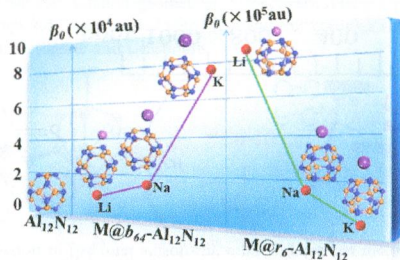
Materials without inversion symmetry are critical for many technological applications. We examine the two-dimensional  $A_2BO_4$  Ruddlesden–Popper oxides, which remarkably have a strong preference to centrosymmetric geometries. Using representation theory, materials informatics, and density functional theory calculations, we uncover the underlying structural constraints on inversion symmetry to formulate predictive inversion symmetry lifting structure and cation selection guidelines. Cation order and/or multiple octahedral distortions are found to be viable routes; the latter tested in divalent iridates.



### Doping the Alkali Atom: An Effective Strategy to Improve the Electronic and Nonlinear Optical Properties of the Inorganic $Al_{12}N_{12}$ Nanocage

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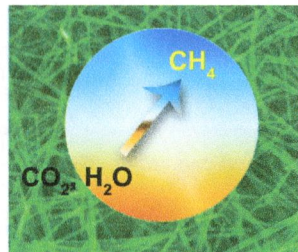
Doping the alkali atom can be a simple and effective strategy to improve the electronic and nonlinear optical (NLO) properties of inorganic AlN nanocages, and endow them with the intriguing *n*-type characteristic and large second-order NLO response as well as the excellent stability.



### Solution-Chemical Route to Generalized Synthesis of Metal Germanate Nanowires with Room-Temperature, Light-Driven Hydrogenation Activity of $CO_2$ into Renewable Hydrocarbon Fuels

Qi Liu, Yong Zhou,\* Wenguang Tu, Shicheng Yan, and Zhigang Zou\*

A facile solution-chemical route was developed for the generalized preparation of a series of metal germanate nanowires on a large scale, which is based on the use of hydrazine monohydrate as an alkali solvent, coordination agent, and anisotropic crystal growth director under solvothermal conditions.

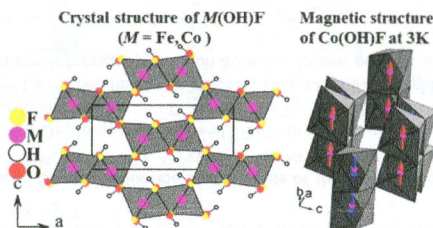




# Synthesis and Characterization of the Crystal and Magnetic Structures and Properties of the Hydroxyfluorides Fe(OH)F and Co(OH)F

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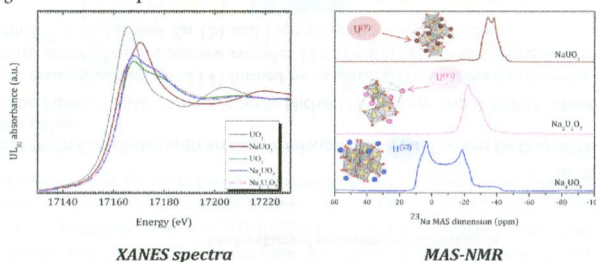
The title compounds crystallize with structures related to the diaspore-type  $\alpha$ -AlOOH. The protons are located in the channels and form O—H...F bent hydrogen bonds. The magnetic susceptibility data for the cobalt phase indicate antiferromagnetic ordering below  $\sim 40$  K, and the neutron powder diffraction measurements at 3 K show that ferromagnetic rutile-type chains with spins parallel to the *b* axis are antiferromagnetically coupled to each other, similarly to the magnetic structure of goethite  $\alpha$ -FeOOH.



# A $^{23}\text{Na}$ Magic Angle Spinning Nuclear Magnetic Resonance, XANES, and High-Temperature X-ray Diffraction Study of $\text{NaUO}_3$ , $\text{Na}_4\text{UO}_5$ , and $\text{Na}_2\text{U}_2\text{O}_7$

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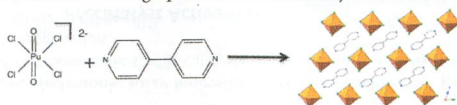
X-ray absorption near edge structure (XANES) studies performed on  $\text{NaUO}_3$ ,  $\text{Na}_4\text{UO}_5$ , and  $\text{Na}_2\text{U}_2\text{O}_7$  have confirmed the valence state of uranium in those compounds, namely V, VI, and VI, respectively. Solid-state  $^{23}\text{Na}$  magic angle spinning nuclear magnetic resonance (MAS NMR) measurements have also evidenced a paramagnetic shift in  $\text{NaUO}_3$ , which has the electronic structure  $[\text{Rn}](5f^1)$ . NMR parameters have been estimated on the  $[\text{Rn}](5f^0)$  systems using DFT calculations and found to be in good agreement with experiment.



# Supramolecular Interactions in $\text{PuO}_2\text{Cl}_4^{2-}$ and $\text{PuCl}_6^{2-}$ Complexes with Protonated Pyridines: Synthesis, Crystal Structures, and Raman Spectroscopy

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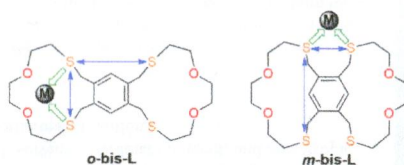
Plutonyl tetrachloride anions are assembled through protonated amines. Crystal structures and Raman spectra are reported.



## Regioisomer-Dependent Endo- and Exocyclic Coordination of Bis-Dithiamacrocycles

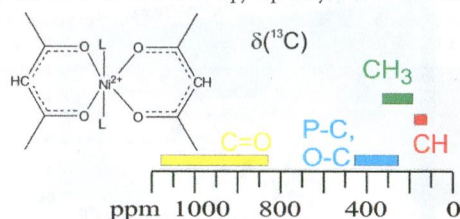
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Syntheses of the regioisomers of bis-dithiamacrocycle and the regioisomer-controlled endo- and exocyclic coordination behaviors are reported.

Solid State  $^{13}\text{C}$  and  $^2\text{H}$  NMR Investigations of Paramagnetic  $[\text{Ni}(\text{II})(\text{acac})_2\text{L}_2]$  Complexes

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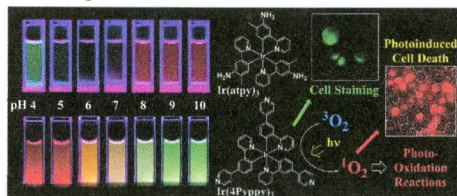
Solid state  $^{13}\text{C}$  MAS NMR spectroscopy has been used to investigate nine paramagnetic  $[\text{Ni}(\text{II})(\text{acac})_2\text{L}_2]$  complexes with  $\text{L} = \text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{NH}_3$ ,  $\text{MeOH}$ ,  $\text{PMePh}_2$ ,  $\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph}$ , and  $[\text{dppe}]_{1/2}$ . Characteristic values for  $\delta(^{13}\text{C})$  and the anisotropy are observed for the ligands. The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of three phosphines with  $\text{L} = \text{PPhMe}_2$ ,  $\text{PPh}_2\text{Me}$ , and  $\text{dppe}$  were assigned using these correlations. The CSA is a large fraction of the total anisotropy especially for the methine (CH) in the  $\text{acac}^-$  ligand.



## Synthesis and Photochemical Properties of pH Responsive Tris-Cyclometalated Iridium(III) Complexes That Contain a Pyridine Ring on the 2-Phenylpyridine Ligand

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The design and synthesis of new cyclometalated Ir(III) complexes having three pyridyl groups at the 5'-position of the ligands (Ir(4Pyppy)<sub>3</sub>, Ir(3Pyppy)<sub>3</sub>, Ir(4Pyppym)<sub>3</sub>, Ir(3Pyppym)<sub>3</sub>) are reported. The strong green emission of Ir(4Pyppy)<sub>3</sub> and Ir(4Pyppym)<sub>3</sub> exhibited a significant red-shift upon the protonation of the three pyridine rings, which is opposite behavior to that of *fac*-Ir(atpy)<sub>3</sub> containing three amino groups at the same position. Staining and photoirradiated cell death of HeLa-S3 cells by the use of Ir(4Pyppy)<sub>3</sub> are also reported.

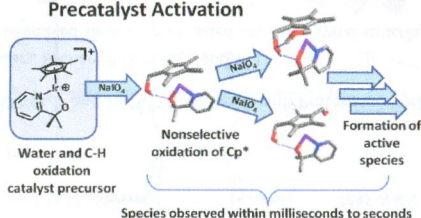


### Modes of Activation of Organometallic Iridium Complexes for Catalytic Water and C–H Oxidation

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Desorption electrospray ionization, electrosonic spray ionization mass spectrometry, and gas-phase IR spectroscopy of ions detected during the activation of organometallic  $\text{Cp}^*\text{Ir}$  catalysts for water and C–H hydroxylation indicate a complex, nonselective mechanism for  $\text{Cp}^*$  oxygenation.

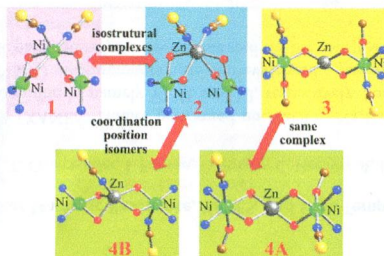
#### Precatalyst Activation



### Isolation of Two Different $\text{Ni}_2\text{Zn}$ Complexes with an Unprecedented Cocystal Formed by One of Them and a “Coordination Position Isomer” of the Other

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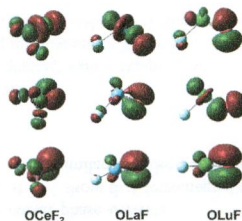
Here we present a unique example of a cocystal (4) formed by an existing  $\text{Ni}_2\text{Zn}$  trinuclear complex (3) and a “coordination position isomer” of another existing  $\text{Ni}_2\text{Zn}$  trinuclear complex (2). We also present the preparation of two isostructural  $\text{Ni}_2\text{M}$  trinuclear complexes with  $\text{M}^{\text{II}} = \text{Ni}$  (1) and  $\text{Zn}$  (2) and their magnetic characterization.



### Reactions of Lanthanide Atoms with Oxygen Difluoride and the Role of the Ln Oxidation State

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The reaction of lanthanide atoms with  $\text{OF}_2$  leads to  $\text{OLnF}_2$  and  $\text{OLnF}$ . In  $\text{OLnF}_2$ , except for  $\text{Ln} = \text{Ce}$ ,  $\text{Pr}$ , and  $\text{Tb}$  which are predominantly in the +IV oxidation state, the Ln are in the +III state as they are in  $\text{OLnF}$ . The Ln–O bonding in  $\text{OCeF}_2$ ,  $\text{OLaF}$ , and  $\text{OLuF}$  is a highly polarized  $\sigma$  bond and two pseudo  $\pi$  bonds formed by donation from two 2p lone pairs on the O to the Ln.

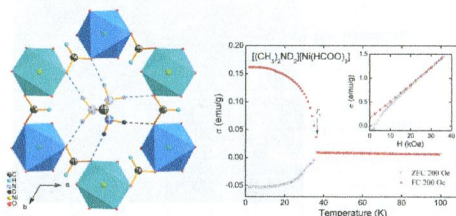




# Order–Disorder Transition and Weak Ferromagnetism in the Perovskite Metal Formate Frameworks of $[(CH_3)_2NH_2][M(HCOO)_3]$ and $[(CH_3)_2ND_2][M(HCOO)_3]$ ( $M = Ni, Mn$ )

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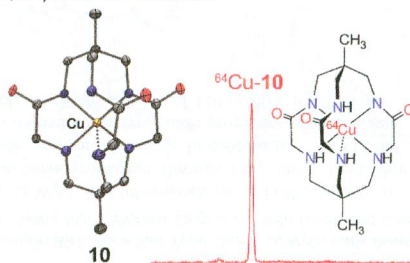
We report the synthesis and temperature-dependent studies of  $[(CH_3)_2ND_2][M(HCOO)_3]$  and  $[(CH_3)_2NH_2][M(HCOO)_3]$  formates ( $M = Ni, Mn$ ). These compounds undergo a first-order phase transition associated with ordering of  $DMA^+$  cations. Some amount of motion is retained by the  $DMA^+$  cation in the ferroelectric phase, and a complete freezing-in of this motion occurs below 100 K. Weak anomalies in the temperature dependence of vibrational frequencies below 40 K are attributed to spin-phonon coupling.



# Triamidetriamine Bearing Macrobicyclic and Macrotricyclic Ligands: Potential Applications in the Development of Copper-64 Radiopharmaceuticals

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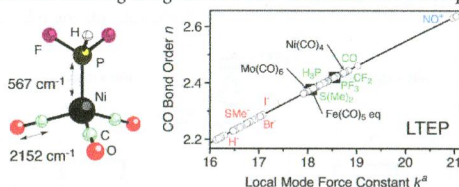
Triamide bearing analogues of sarcophagine hexaazamacrobicyclic cage ligands were prepared without the need for a templating metal ion. The  $Co(III)$  and  $Cu(II)$  complexes for one cryptand (**7**) were synthesized, and these compounds displayed octahedral and square planar coordination geometries, respectively. These cryptands are of interest for radiopharmaceutical applications, cryptand **7** was labeled with  $^{64}Cu$  and this complex showed good stability when challenged with the metal binding amino acids, L-cysteine and L-histidine.



# New Approach to Tolman's Electronic Parameter Based on Local Vibrational Modes

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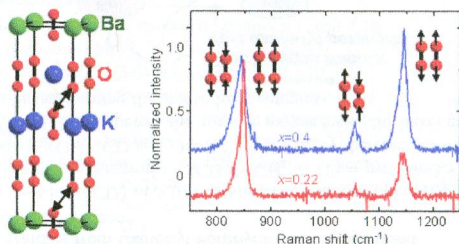
Tolman's electronic parameter (TEP) is improved by replacing normal with local CO stretching frequencies because the former are always flawed by mode–mode coupling. Local TEP (LTEP) values are based on local CO stretching force constants and, therefore, no longer suffer from mode coupling and mass effects. The LTEP values of 42 nickel complexes of the type  $\text{LNi}(\text{CO})_3$  lead to a different ordering of ligand electronic effects than the corresponding TEP values.



# Anionogenic Mixed Valency in $\text{K}_x\text{Ba}_{1-x}\text{O}_{2-\delta}$

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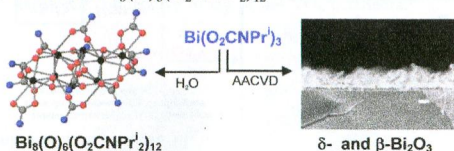
Members of the novel solid solution series  $\text{K}_x\text{Ba}_{1-x}\text{O}_{2-\delta}$  exhibit four oxygen–oxygen stretching modes in their Raman spectra. These modes do not arise from individual dioxygen anions, but rather from in-phase and anti-phase coupling of the stretching of anions that have mixed coordinations of  $\text{K}^+$  and  $\text{Ba}^{2+}$ . This coupling is a direct signature of the mixed-valent nature of these compounds.



# Synthesis and Materials Chemistry of Bismuth *Tris*-(di-*i*-propylcarbamate): Deposition of Photoactive $\text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3$ Thin Films

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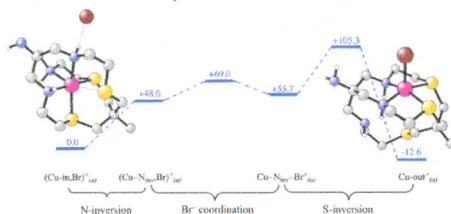
$\delta$ - and  $\beta$ - $\text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3$  thin films can be deposited by AACVD from a  $\text{Bi}(\text{O}_2\text{CNPr}_2)_3$  precursor, with temperature and temporal control over the deposition process. Thin  $\delta$ - $\text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3$  films show good catalytic activity toward the photodegradation of methylene blue, while  $\beta$ - $\text{Bi}_2\text{O}_3$  nanowires are less active because of an increased hydrophobicity. Controlled hydrolysis of  $\text{Bi}(\text{O}_2\text{CNPr}_2)_3$  affords the novel oxo-cluster  $\text{Bi}_8(\text{O})_6(\text{O}_2\text{CNPr}_2)_{12}$ .



### Computational Insights on the Geometrical Arrangements of Cu(II) with a Mixed-Donor $N_3S_3$ Macrobicyclic Ligand

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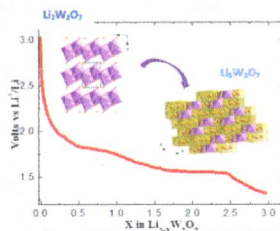
On the basis of a computational study and previously reported experimental data, a mechanism is proposed for the interconversion between hexadentate ( $N_3S_3$ , Cu-in<sup>2+</sup>) and tetradentate ( $N_2S_2$ , Cu-out<sup>2+</sup>) Cu(II) complexes of AMME- $N_3S_3$ sar as well as the effect of solvent on their relative stability.



### Electrochemical Synthesis of a Lithium-Rich Rock-Salt-Type Oxide $Li_3W_2O_7$ with Reversible Deintercalation Properties

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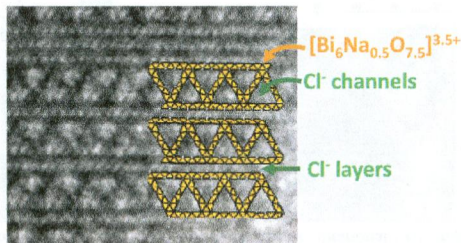
Starting from the ribbon structure  $Li_2W_2O_7$ , the lithium-rich phase  $Li_3W_2O_7$  with an ordered rock-salt-type structure has been synthesized, through a topotactic irreversible reaction, using both electrochemistry and soft chemistry. In contrast to  $Li_2W_2O_7$ , the lithium-rich oxide  $Li_3W_2O_7$  shows reversible deintercalation properties of two lithium molecules per formula unit: a stable reversible capacity of 110 mAh/g at 1.70 V is maintained after 20 cycles.



### Multidimensional Open-Frameworks: Combinations of One-Dimensional Channels and Two-Dimensional Layers in Novel Bi/M Oxo-Chlorides

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Here we discuss the synthesis and characterization of three novel bismuth oxo-chlorides:  $[Bi_6Na_{0.5}O_{7.5}][Na_{0.5}Cl_3]_{\text{channel}}[Cl]_{\text{layer}}$ ,  $[Bi_{17}PbO_{22}][Cl_6]_{\text{channel}}[Cl_3]_{\text{layer}}$  and  $[Bi_9(Pb_{0.2}Mn_{0.8})O_{12}][Cl_3]_{\text{channel}}[Cl_2]_{\text{layer}}$  which all show an original multidimensional crystal structure. It is formed of 2D-layered blocks separated by  $Cl^-$  layers. The blocks are porous with triangular 1D- $Cl^-$  channels with various section sizes.

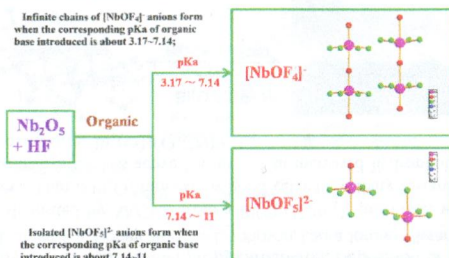




# From Solution to the Solid State: Control of Niobium Oxide–Fluoride $[\text{NbO}_x\text{F}_y]^{n-}$ Species

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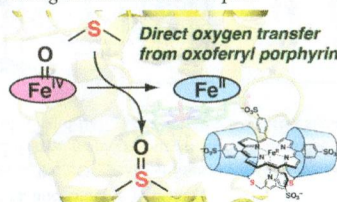
The  $[\text{NbOF}_4]^-$ ,  $[\text{NbOF}_5]^{2-}$ , and  $[\text{NbF}_6]^-$  anions can be successively targeted in crystal structures by increasing the corresponding  $\text{pK}_a$  of the organic reagent. Infinite chains of  $[\text{NbOF}_4]^-$  anions form when the corresponding  $\text{pK}_a$  of the organic base introduced ranges approximately between 3.17 and 7.14. In contrast, isolated  $[\text{NbOF}_5]^{2-}$  anions form when the corresponding  $\text{pK}_a$  of the organic base introduced is approximately between 7.14 and 11, and  $[\text{NbF}_6]^-$  forms when the corresponding  $\text{pK}_a$  of the organic molecule is above 11.



# Intramolecular Direct Oxygen Transfer from Oxoferryl Porphyrin to a Sulfide Bond

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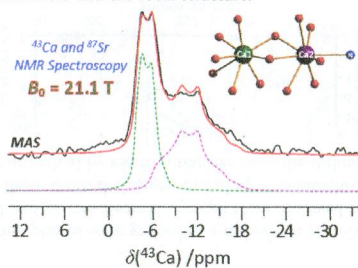
A 1:1 supramolecular complex (met-hemoCD) of 5,10,15,20-tetrakis(4-sulfonatophenyl)porphyrinatoiron(III) ( $\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}\text{TPPS}$ ) with per-*O*-methylated  $\beta$ -cyclodextrin dimer having a  $-\text{SCH}_2\text{PyCH}_2\text{S}-$  (Py = pyridine-3,5-diyl) linker (Py3CD) formed two types of ferryloxo species,  $\text{O}=\text{Fe}^{\text{IV}}\text{P}(\text{OH})^- \text{CD}$  and  $\text{O}=\text{Fe}^{\text{IV}}(\text{Py})\text{PCD}$ , by the reaction with hydrogen peroxide or cumene hydroperoxide. For the  $\text{O}=\text{Fe}^{\text{IV}}(\text{OH})^- \text{PCD}$  species, the iron-oxo oxygen facing the linker gradually and directly transferred to the nearby sulfide bond on the linker, forming the sulfoxidized complex.



### Alkaline-Earth Metal Carboxylates Characterized by $^{43}\text{Ca}$ and $^{87}\text{Sr}$ Solid-State NMR: Impact of Metal-Amine Bonding

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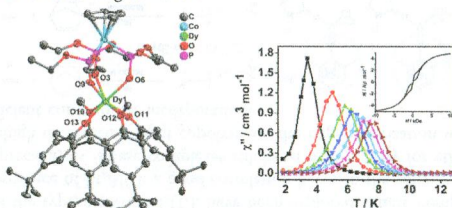
Ultrahigh-field  $^{43}\text{Ca}$  and  $^{87}\text{Sr}$  solid-state NMR spectroscopies, which present various technical challenges, are applied to the study of a series of model organic  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Sr}^{2+}$  complexes. The spectral parameters are sensitive to the metal cations' coordination environments and, in particular, to the presence of nitrogen-containing functional groups in their first coordination spheres. Along with the experimental data, projector-augmented wave DFT computations provide insights into the relationship between the NMR parameters and the local structure.



### Calix[4]arene-Supported Mononuclear Lanthanide Single-Molecule Magnet

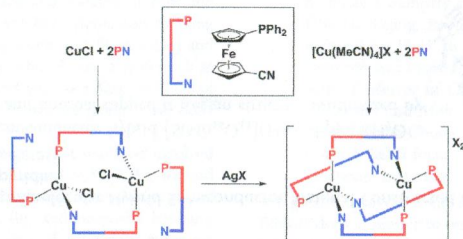
Feng Gao, Long Cui, You Song, Yi-Zhi Li, and Jing-Lin Zuo\*

Three interesting single lanthanide-based complexes encapsulated by calix[4]arene and the Kläui's tripodal ligands have been synthesized and characterized. The dysprosium complex displays obvious SMM behavior with characteristic magnetic hysteresis loops and the slow relaxation of magnetization.



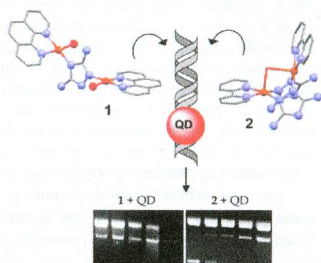
**1'-(Diphenylphosphino)-1-cyanoferrocene: A Simple Ligand with Complicated Coordination Behavior toward Copper(I)**  
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The ferrocene-based phosphininonitrile  $[\text{Fe}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_4\text{PPh}_2)(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_4\text{CN})]$  has been explored as a donor in copper(I) complexes with and without supporting halide ligands. The course of the complexation reactions was found to depend on the copper source and the Cu/ligand ratio, leading to conventional products featuring the phosphininonitrile as a P-monodentate ligand as well as unprecedented complexes in which the ligand act as a P,N bridge employing both soft donor moieties. Compounds combining both coordination modes are also described.



**Two Novel Ternary Dicopper(II)  $\mu$ -Guanazole Complexes with Aromatic Amines Strongly Activated by Quantum Dots for DNA Cleavage**  
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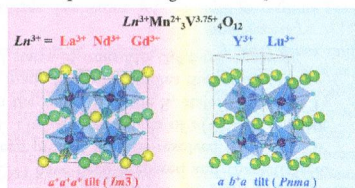
Two novel ( $\mu$ -guanazole/ate)-bridged binuclear copper(II) complexes with 1,10-phenanthroline (phen) or 2,2'-bipyridine (bipy),  $[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-N}2,\text{N}4\text{-Hdatrz})(\text{phen})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})(\text{NO}_3)_4]$  (**1**) and  $[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-N}1,\text{N}2\text{-datrz})_2(\mu\text{-OH}_2)(\text{bipy})_2](\text{ClO}_4)_2$  (**2**) (Hdatrz = 3,5-diamino-1,2,4-triazole = guanazole), have been prepared and characterized by X-ray diffraction, spectroscopy, and susceptibility measurements [ $J(\mu_{2,4}\text{-triazole}) = -52 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  for **1** and  $J(\mu_{1,2}\text{-triazolate}) = -115 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  for **2**] and combined with quantum dots (QD) to develop efficient DNA-cleaving systems.



**Order–Disorder Transition Involving the A-Site Cations in  $\text{Ln}^{3+}\text{Mn}_3\text{V}_4\text{O}_{12}$  Perovskites**

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A crossover from the A-site-ordered double-perovskite structure with  $Im\bar{3}$  cubic symmetry to the simple-perovskite structure with  $Pnma$  orthorhombic symmetry is found in  $\text{LnMn}_3\text{V}_4\text{O}_{12}$  ( $\text{Ln} = \text{La}, \text{Nd}, \text{Gd}, \text{Y}, \text{Lu}$ ). The observed phase crossover is a result of the structural stability due to the cooperative tilting of the  $\text{VO}_6$  octahedra.

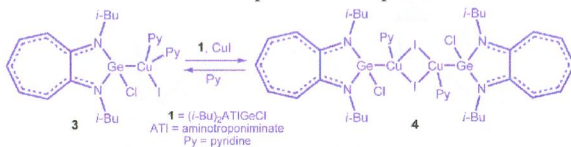




### Aminotroponiminato(chloro)germylene Stabilized Copper(I) Iodide Complexes: Synthesis and Structure

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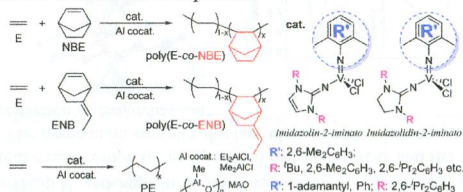
Using an aminotroponiminato(chloro)germylene **1**, the first example of a germylene stabilized copper(I) iodide complex **3** with a monomeric CuI core is reported. Utilizing it further, two other copper(I) iodide complexes **2** and **4** with tetrameric Cu<sub>4</sub>I<sub>4</sub> and dimeric Cu<sub>2</sub>I<sub>2</sub> cores are also synthesized, respectively. Further, for the first time, an interesting interconversion between compounds **3** and **4** and the conversion of compound **2** to compounds **3** and **4** have been demonstrated.



### Synthesis and Structural Analysis of (Imido)vanadium(V) Dichloride Complexes Containing Imidazolin-2-iminato- and Imidazolidin-2-iminato Ligands, and their Use as Catalyst Precursors for Ethylene (Co)polymerization

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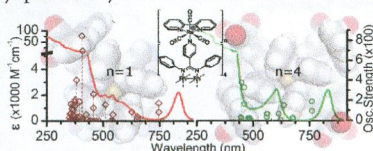
Syntheses, structural analyses of various (imido)vanadium(V) complexes containing 1,3-imidazolin-2-iminato or 1,3-imidazolidin-2-iminato ligands of the type, V(NR')Cl<sub>2</sub>(L), have been explored. These complexes showed high activity for ethylene polymerization in the presence of Et<sub>2</sub>AlCl: a good correlation between the activity and the <sup>51</sup>V NMR chemical shift was observed for the arylimido precatalysts. These complexes exhibited high activity for ethylene/norbornene copolymerization, affording ultrahigh molecular weight copolymers: the copolymerization with 5-ethylidene-2-norbornene proceeded with high activity, efficient comonomer incorporation.



### Rhodium Amidinate Dimers as Structural and Functional Hubs for Multimetallic Assemblies

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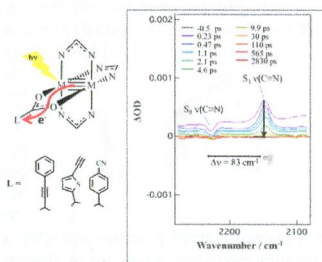
One to four *fac*-[Re(bpy)(CO)<sub>3</sub>]<sup>+</sup> chromophores were grafted to a dirhodium tetra-*N,N'*-diphenylisonicotinamidinate dimer through its 4-pyridyl moieties. Spectral and electrochemical changes were observed to the dimer base properties. Extended calculations were performed to model these spectral changes, including a solvatochromism effect with acetonitrile. The chromophore emission was reductively quenched by electron transfer from the dirhodium core to the Re(bpy) MLCT state.



# Mo<sub>2</sub> Paddlewheel Complexes Functionalized with a Single MLCT, S<sub>1</sub> Infrared-Active Carboxylate Reporter Ligand: Preparation and Studies of Ground and Photoexcited States

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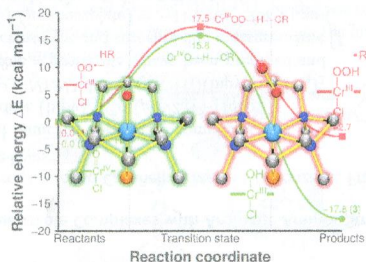
The compounds Mo<sub>2</sub>(N,N'-di(*p*-anisyl)formamidinate)<sub>3</sub>L (L = O<sub>2</sub>CC≡CPh, O<sub>2</sub>CC<sub>4</sub>H<sub>2</sub>SC≡CH, and O<sub>2</sub>CC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-*p*-CN) have been prepared and characterized. The nature of the excited states has been probed by time-resolved transient absorption and infrared spectroscopies. The observed shifts of  $\nu(\text{C}\equiv\text{X})$  indicate that the negative charge is localized on the single L in the S<sub>1</sub> states, while the T<sub>1</sub> states are <sup>3</sup>Mo<sub>2</sub> δδ\*. Comparisons are made to earlier studies that evaluated the charge distribution in the photoexcited states of *trans*-Mo<sub>2</sub>-2,4,6-triisopropylbenzoate-L<sub>2</sub> compounds.



# Mechanistic Insights into the C–H Bond Activation of Hydrocarbons by Chromium(IV) Oxo and Chromium(III) Superoxo Complexes

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The C–H bond activation of hydrocarbons by nonheme chromium(IV) oxo and chromium(III) superhydroxo complexes, [Cr<sup>IV</sup>(O)(TMC)(Cl)]<sup>+</sup> and [Cr<sup>III</sup>(O<sub>2</sub>)(TMC)(Cl)]<sup>+</sup>, has been investigated experimentally and theoretically. The C–H bond activation by the chromium(IV) oxo complex does not occur via the conventional H-atom-abstraction/oxygen-rebound mechanism. The reactivity of the chromium(IV) oxo complex is slightly greater than that of the chromium(III) superoxo complex in the C–H bond activation reactions.



# Two-Dimensional Bicapped Supramolecular Hybrid Semiconductor Material Constructed from the Insulators $\alpha$ -Keggin Polyoxomolybdate and 4,4'-Bipyridine

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The novel organic–inorganic semiconductor hybrid [SiMo<sub>14</sub>O<sub>44</sub>](H<sub>4</sub>4'-bpy)<sub>2</sub>·xH<sub>2</sub>O having mixed valent Mo atoms and unusual capped  $\alpha$ -Keggin structure synthesized by hydrothermal method.

