

Supporting Information

Heterometallic Coordination Polymers Assembled from Trigonal Trinuclear Fe₂Ni-Pivalate Blocks and Polypyridine Spacers: Topological Diversity, Sorption and Catalytic Properties

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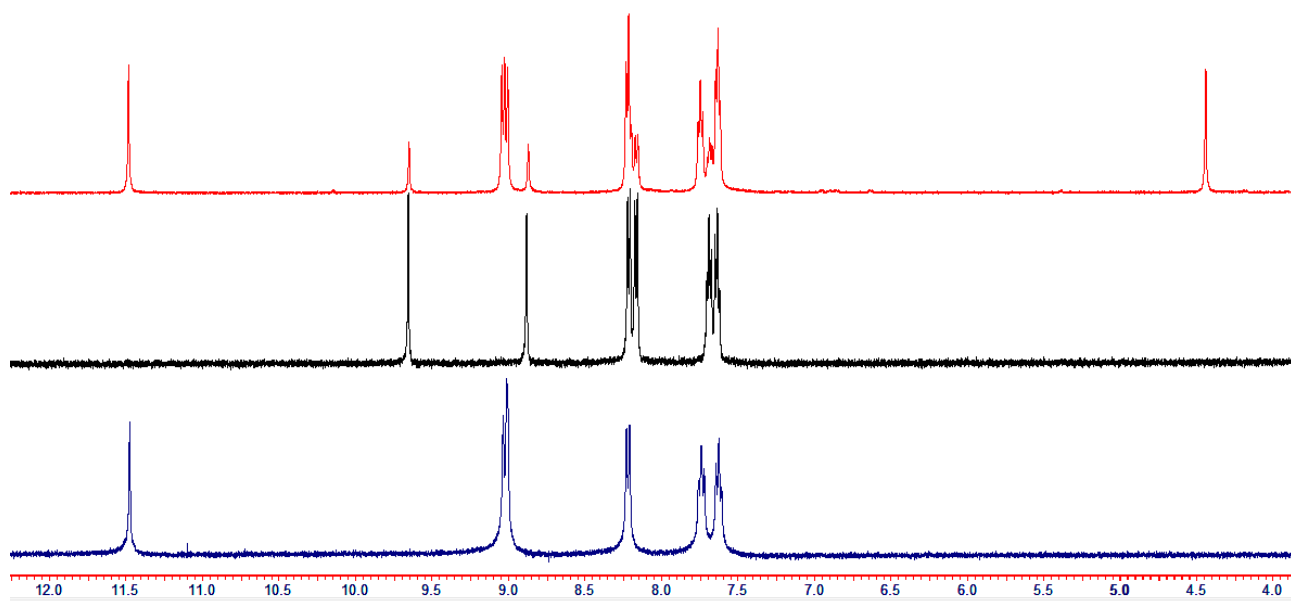
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Selected NMR data.**L³**

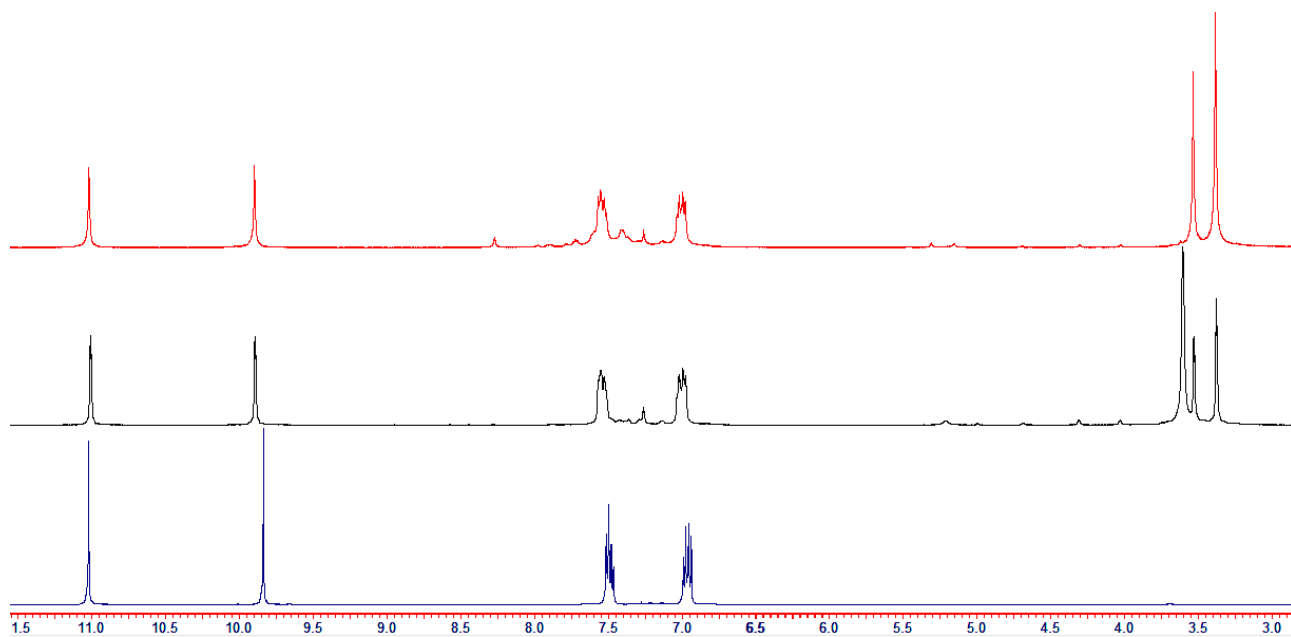
¹H NMR (δ , ppm): 8.38 m (2H, H₅, 3py); 8.70 d (2H, J = 6 Hz, H₃, 4py); 8.74 s (2H, H₃, central py); 9.01 d (2H, J = 6 Hz, H₄, 3py); 9.10 d (2H, J = 6 Hz, H₂, 4py); 9.57 d (2H, J = 8 Hz, H₆, 3py); 9.91 s (2H, H₂, 3py).

L⁵

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ_{H} = 1.17 (t, 6H, J = 7 Hz, 2CH₃); 3.45 (q, 4H, J = 7 Hz, 2CH₂); 6.83 (d, 2H, J = 8.6 Hz, Ar); 7.96 (d, 2H, J = 8.6 MHz, Ar); 8.32 (d, 4H, J = 9 Hz, Ar); 8.34 (s, 2H, Ar); (d, 4H, J = 9 Hz, Ar).



(a)



(b)

Fig. S1. (a) ^1H NMR spectra of 9-anthracenecarbaldehyde (blue), 2-(9-anthrylmethylene)-malononitrile (black) and reaction mixture after 40h heating with **2** (red).

(b) ^1H NMR spectra of salicylaldehyde (blue), reaction mixture after 2h (black) and 40h (red) heating with **2**, respectively.

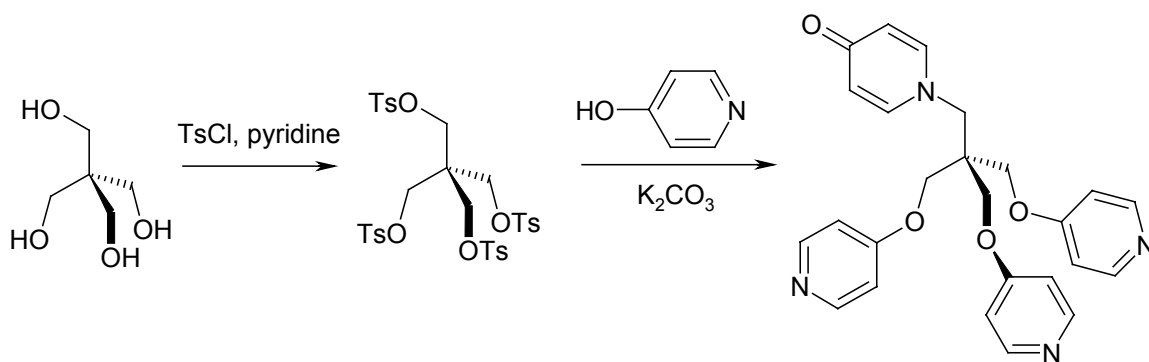


Fig. S2. Scheme, showing synthesis of L⁴.

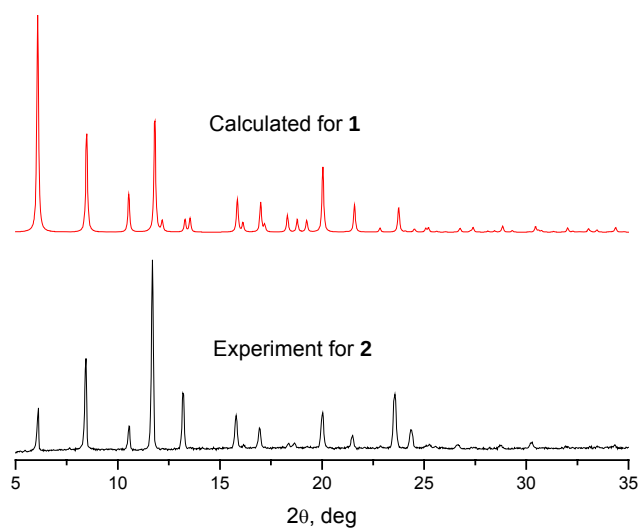


Fig. S3. Powder X-ray diffraction patterns: calculated from X-ray structure for compound **1** (data taken from ref. [1]) and experimental for **2**. $\lambda = 1.54056 \text{ \AA}$.

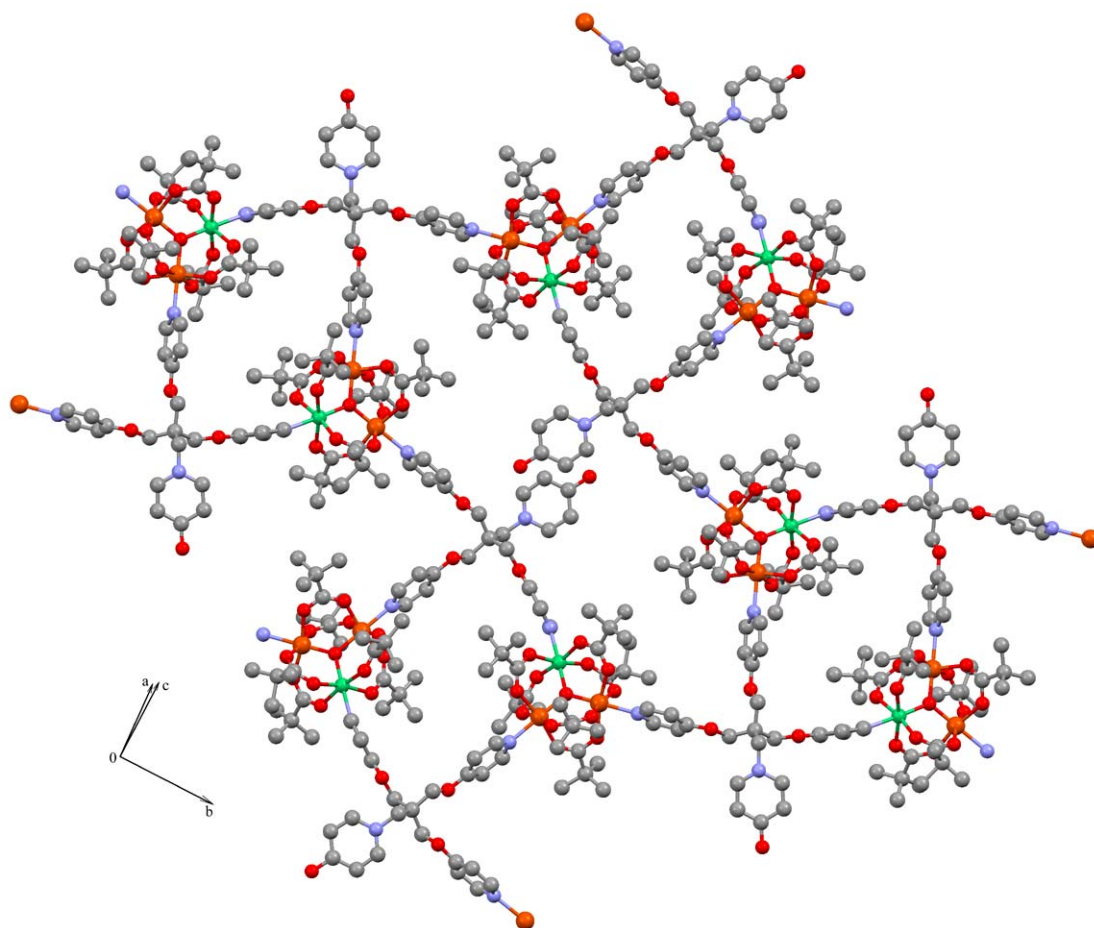


Fig. S4. A fragment of the 2D layer in **4**. Hydrogen atoms and non-coordinated HPiv molecules are omitted for clarity.

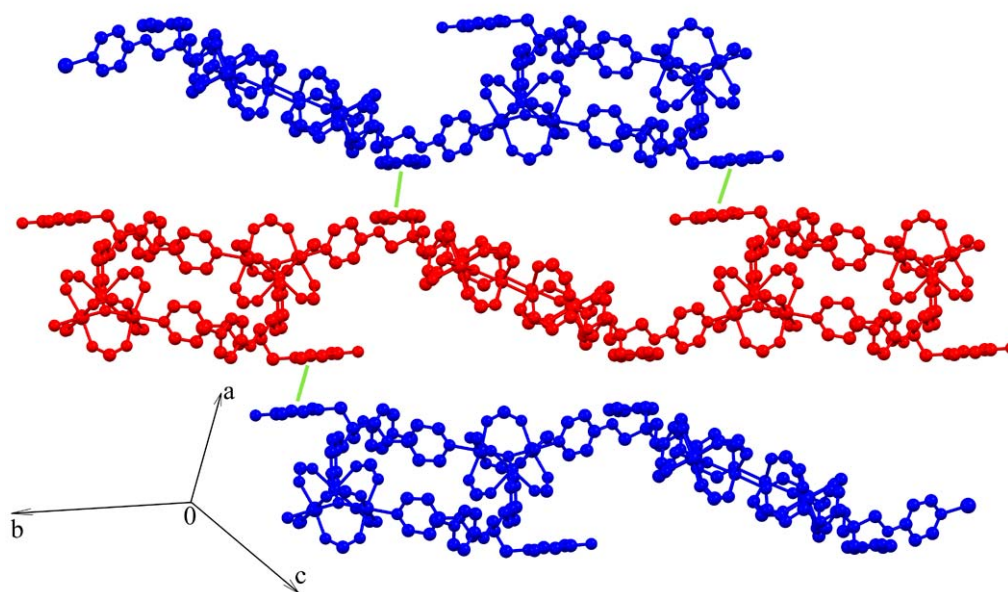


Fig. S5. A fragment of the crystal structure of **4**. Hydrogen atoms, *t*-Bu groups and non-coordinated HPiv molecules are omitted for clarity. Green lines indicate close contacts between adjacent pyridone rings.

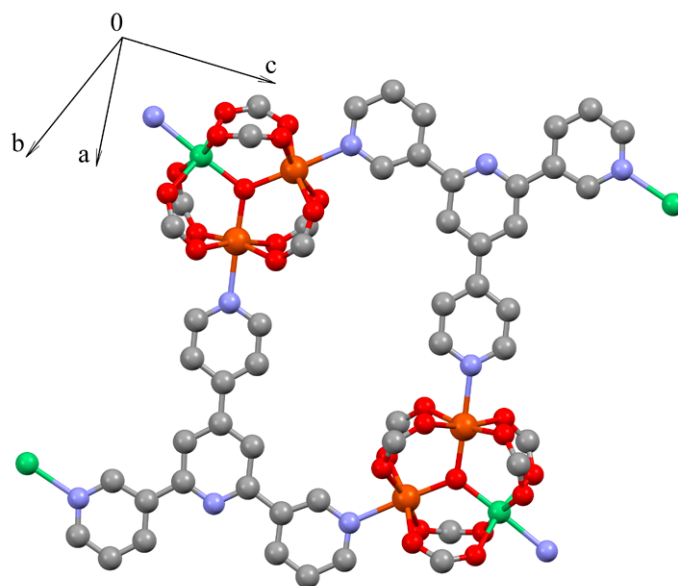


Fig. S6. A fragment of the 2D layer in **3**. Hydrogen atoms and *t*-Bu groups are omitted for clarity.

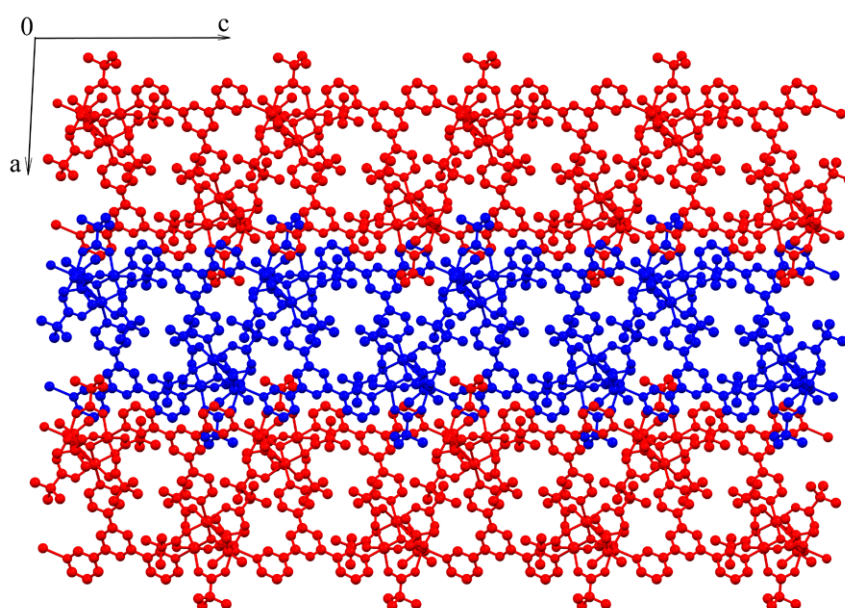


Fig. S7. A fragment of the crystal structure of **3**. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity. Adjacent 2D layers are shown in red and blue.

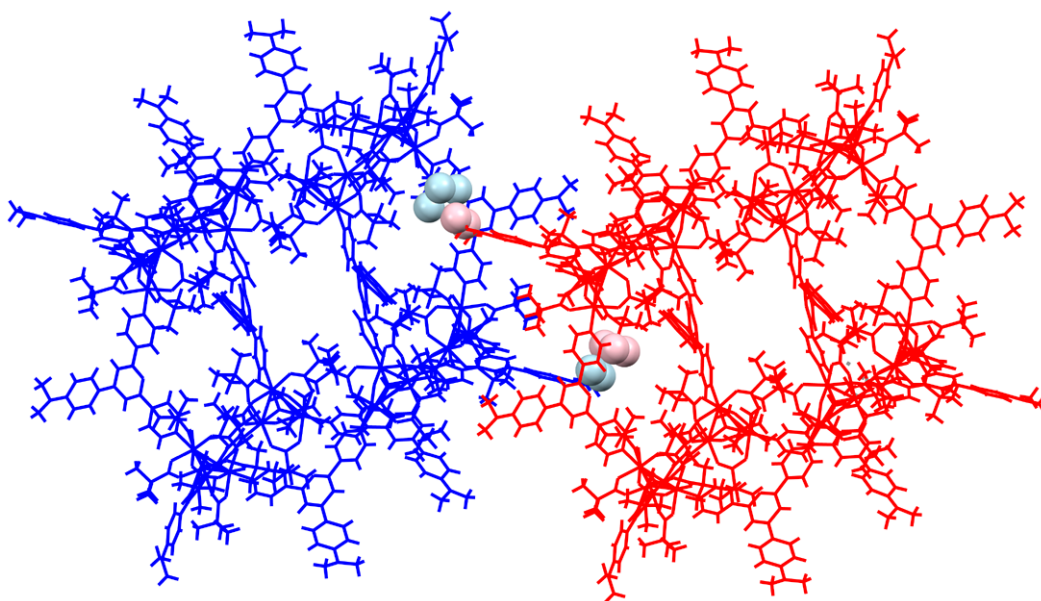


Fig. S8. Visualization of close contacts between H atoms in the crystal structure of $\{\text{Fe}_2\text{NiO}(\text{Piv})_6\}_8\{\text{L}^4\}_{12}$ (**6**). Drawn using data published in.¹

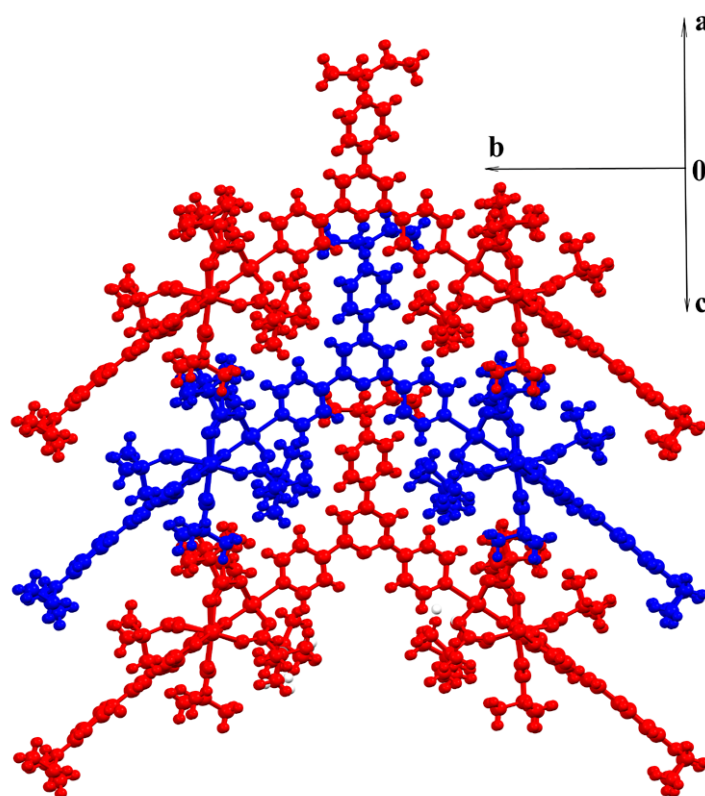


Fig. S9. A fragment of the crystal structure of **5**. Adjacent 2D layers are shown in red and blue. DEF molecules are omitted for clarity.

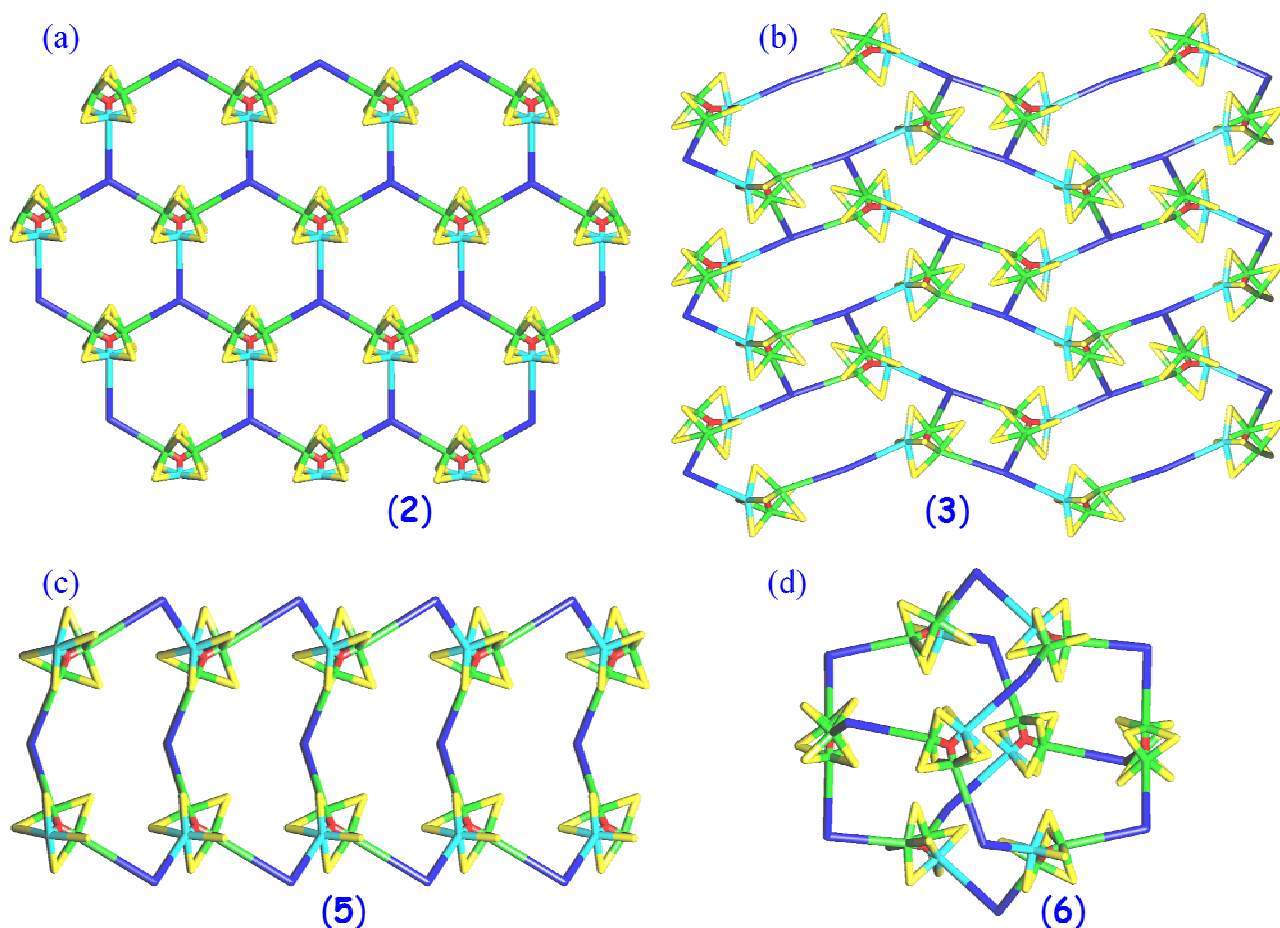


Fig. S10. Topological representations of the underlying networks in **2** (a), **3** (b), **5** (c), and **6** (d) after initial simplification procedure. (a) Trinodal 3,4,4-connected 2D net with the 3,3,4L40 topology and the point symbol of $(3^3.9^2.10)_3(3^3)(9^3)$ (view along the c axis). (b) Tetranodal 3,3,4,4-connected 2D layer with the point symbol of $(3^3.12^2.13)(3^3.6.7^2)_2(3^3)(6.12^2)$. (c) Binodal 3,4-connected 0D net with the point symbol of $(3^3.8^2.9)_3(3^3)$. (d) Trinodal 3,3,4-connected 1D chain with the point symbol of $(3^3.8.9^2)_2(3^3.8^2.9)(3^3)$. Networks (b), (c), and (d) are topologically unique and are shown along the a axis. Further details: Fe nodes (green), Ni nodes (cyan), μ_3 -O nodes (red), centroids of μ_3 -L¹⁻³ nodes or μ_2 -L^{5,6} linkers (blue).

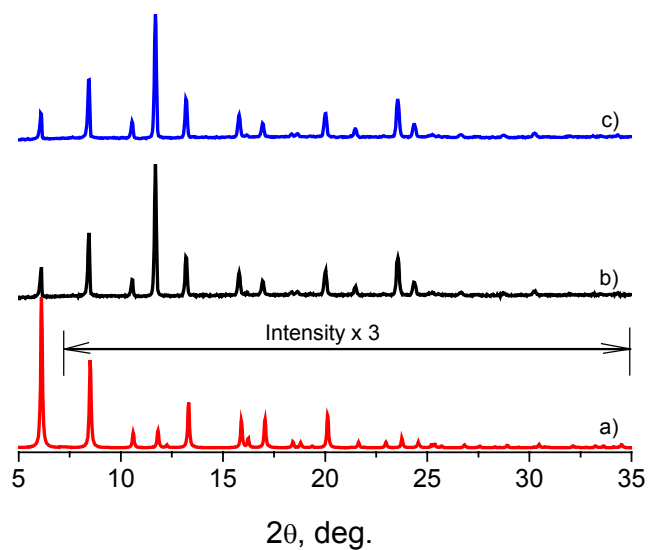


Fig. S11. Powder X-ray diffraction patterns: (a) calculated from X-ray structure for compound **2** at 150 K; (b) experimental for air-dried sample of **2**; (c) experimental for sample of **2** dried in vacuum (10^{-3} Torr). Intensity is re-scaled only for pattern (a). $\lambda = 1.54056 \text{ \AA}$.

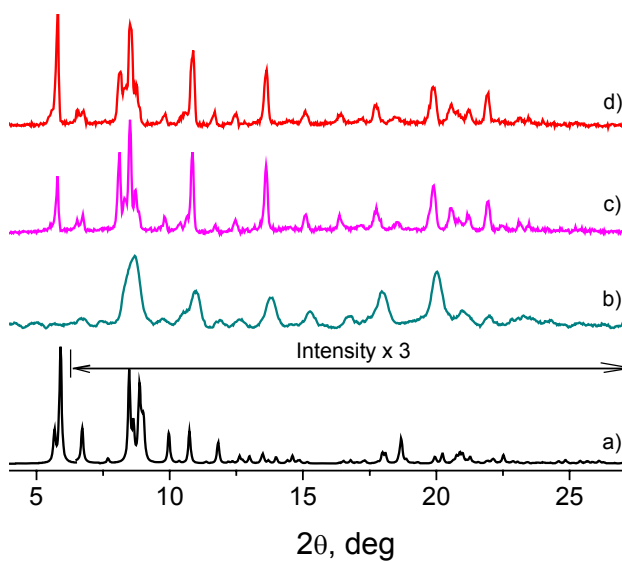


Fig. S12. Powder X-ray diffraction patterns: (a) calculated from X-ray structure for compound **3** at 230 K; (b) experimental for air-dried sample synthesized in DMSO (compound **3**); (c) experimental for air-dried sample synthesized in DMF (compound **3'**); (d) experimental for sample synthesized in DMF (compound **3'**) and dried in vacuum (10^{-3} Torr). Intensity is re-scaled only for pattern (a). $\lambda = 1.54056 \text{ \AA}$.

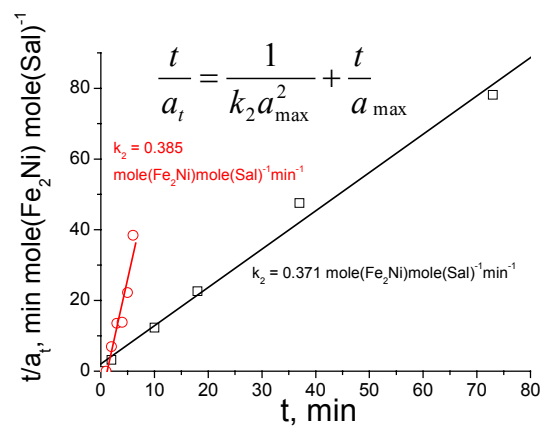


Fig. S13. Fits of salicylaldehyde sorption rate by the second order equation; $a_{\max}$ is the maximal sorption capacity, a_t is the sorption capacity at time t , k_2 is the constant of sorption rate.

Table S1. Catalytic activity of selected compounds in reactions of aldehydes condensation with activated methylene-containing compounds.

Catalyst	Aldehyde ^{a)}	Conversion, %	TON ^{a)}	Reaction conditions	Ref.
Malononitrile as active methylene component					
2	Sal	88	80 mol/mol Fe ₂ Ni	100 °C, 40 h	present work
2	Aca	29	26 mol/mol Fe ₂ Ni	100 °C, 40 h	present work
L ²	Sal	27	24 mol/mol L ²	100 °C, 40 h	present work
L ²	Aca	10	9 mol/mol L ²	100 °C, 40 h	present work
Pd ₃ (mpdm) ₃ (NO ₃) ₆ ^{b)}	Sal	80	7 mol/mol Pd ²⁺	r.t., 3 h	2
[Tb(tca)·2DMF] _n ^{c)}	Sal	99	50 mol/mol Tb ³⁺	r.t., 6 h	3
[Cu ₃ (btc) ₂] _n ^{d)}	BA	100	6 mol/mol Cu ²⁺	80 °C, 0.5 h	4
Basolite F300 ^{d)}	BA	35	2 mol/mol Fe ³⁺	80 °C, 5 h	4
[Zr ₆ O ₄ (OH) ₄ (L ⁷) ₆] _n ^{e)}	BA	98	11 mol/mol Zr ⁴⁺	40 °C, 40 min	5
[Zr ₆ O ₄ (OH) ₄ (L ⁷) ₆] _n ^{e)}	Aca	87	10 mol/mol Zr ⁴⁺	40 °C, 40 min	5
Meldrum's acid as active methylene component					
[{Pd(en)} ₆ (L ²) ₄](NO ₃) ₁₂	BA	38 ^{f)}	6 mol/mol Pd ²⁺	r.t., 6 h	6
[{Pd(en)} ₆ (L ²) ₄](NO ₃) ₁₂	Aca	63 ^{f)}	11 mol/mol Pd ²⁺	r.t., 96 h	6
1,3-dimethylbarbituric acid as active methylene component					
[{(tmen)Pd} ₇ (timb) ₂ × (tim) ₂](NO ₃) ₁₄	BA	69 ^{g)}	1 mol/mol Pd ²⁺	r.t., 4 min	7
[{(tmen)Pd} ₇ (timb) ₂ × (tim) ₂](NO ₃) ₁₄	Aca	35 ^{g)}	0.5 mol/mol Pd ²⁺	r.t., 72 h	7

^{a)} TON values were calculated as $TON = (\alpha \times v_0) / (100\% \times v_{\text{active sites}})$, where α is conversion of aldehyde (%), v_0 is initial amount of aldehyde (mol), $v_{\text{active sites}}$ is amount of active sites (mol). Abbreviations of aldehydes: Sal = salicylaldehyde, BA = benzaldehyde, Aca = 9-anthracenecarbaldehyde.

^{b)} 4 mol % of catalyst; mpdm = 3,3',5,5'-tetra[N-(4-pyridyl)methylcarboxylamide]diphenylmethane;

^{c)} 2 mol % of catalyst; (H₃tca – tricarboxytriphenylamine);

^{d)} 5.5 mol % of [Cu₃(btc)₂]_n and 5.4 mol % of Basolite F300, respectively; H₃btc is 1,3,5-benzenetricarboxylic acid. Basolite F300 is Fe complex of 1,3,5-benzenetricarboxylate, its structure was not unambiguously determined.⁸ Concentration of Basolite F300 and TON values re-calculated per formula [Fe₃O(OH)(btc)₂]_n;

^{e)} 1.5 mol % of catalyst; L⁷ = 2-amino-1,4-benzenedicarboxylate;

^{f)} 1 mol % of catalyst;

^{g)} 10 mol % of catalyst; tmen = N,N,N',N'-tetramethylethylenediamine, timb = 1,3,5-tris(1-imidazolyl)benzene, tim = 1,2,4,5-tetrakis(1-imidazolyl)benzene.

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