

**Supplementary Materials**  
**for**  
**Trigonal prismatic coordination geometry imparted by a**  
**macrocyclic ligand: an approach to large axial magnetic anisotropy**  
**for Co(II)**

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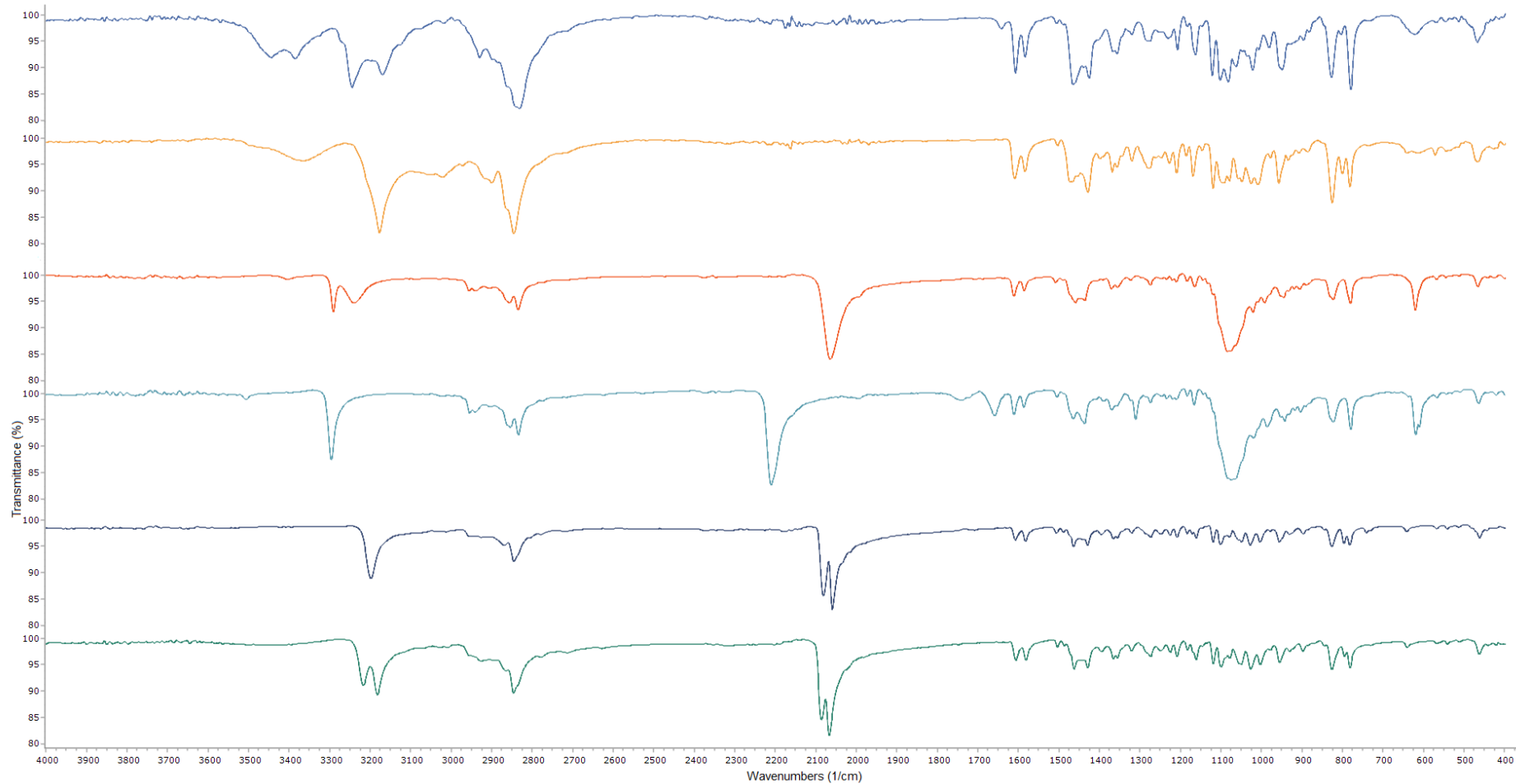
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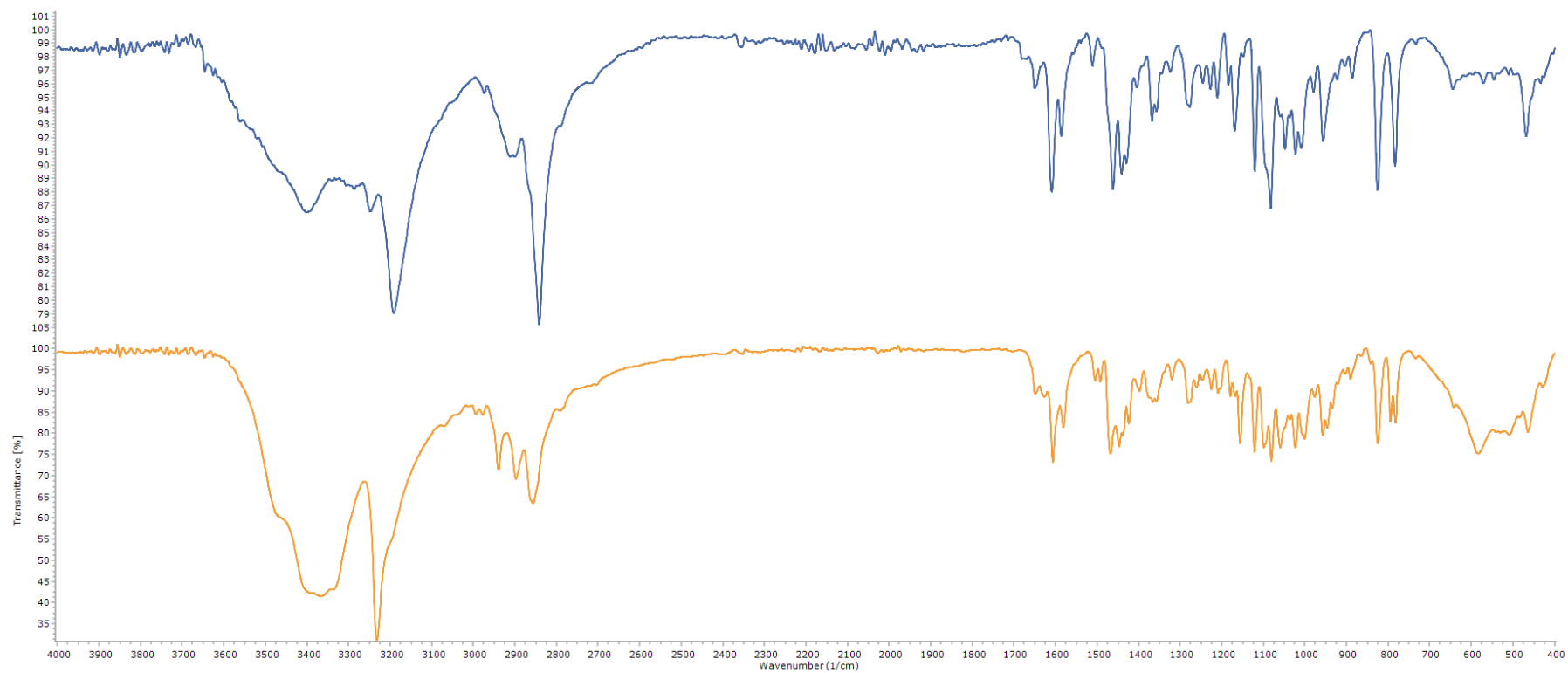
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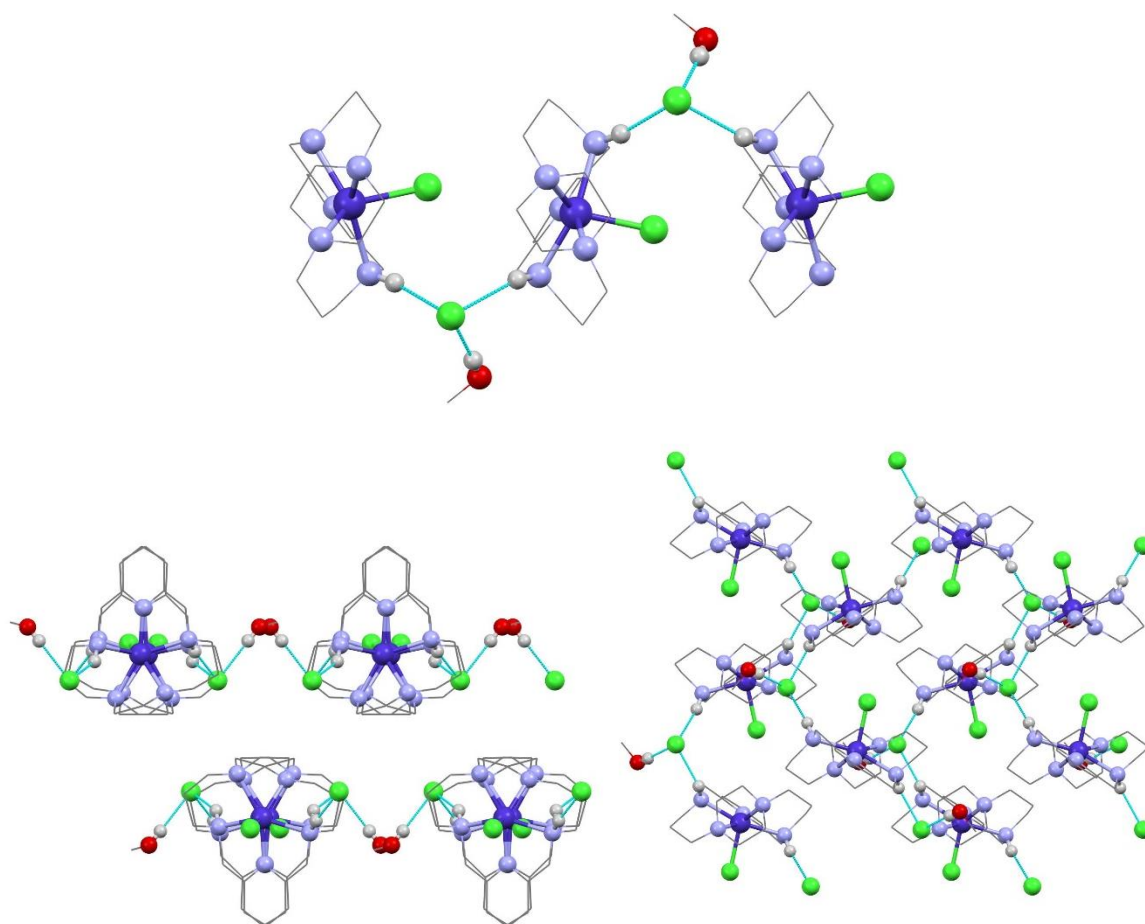
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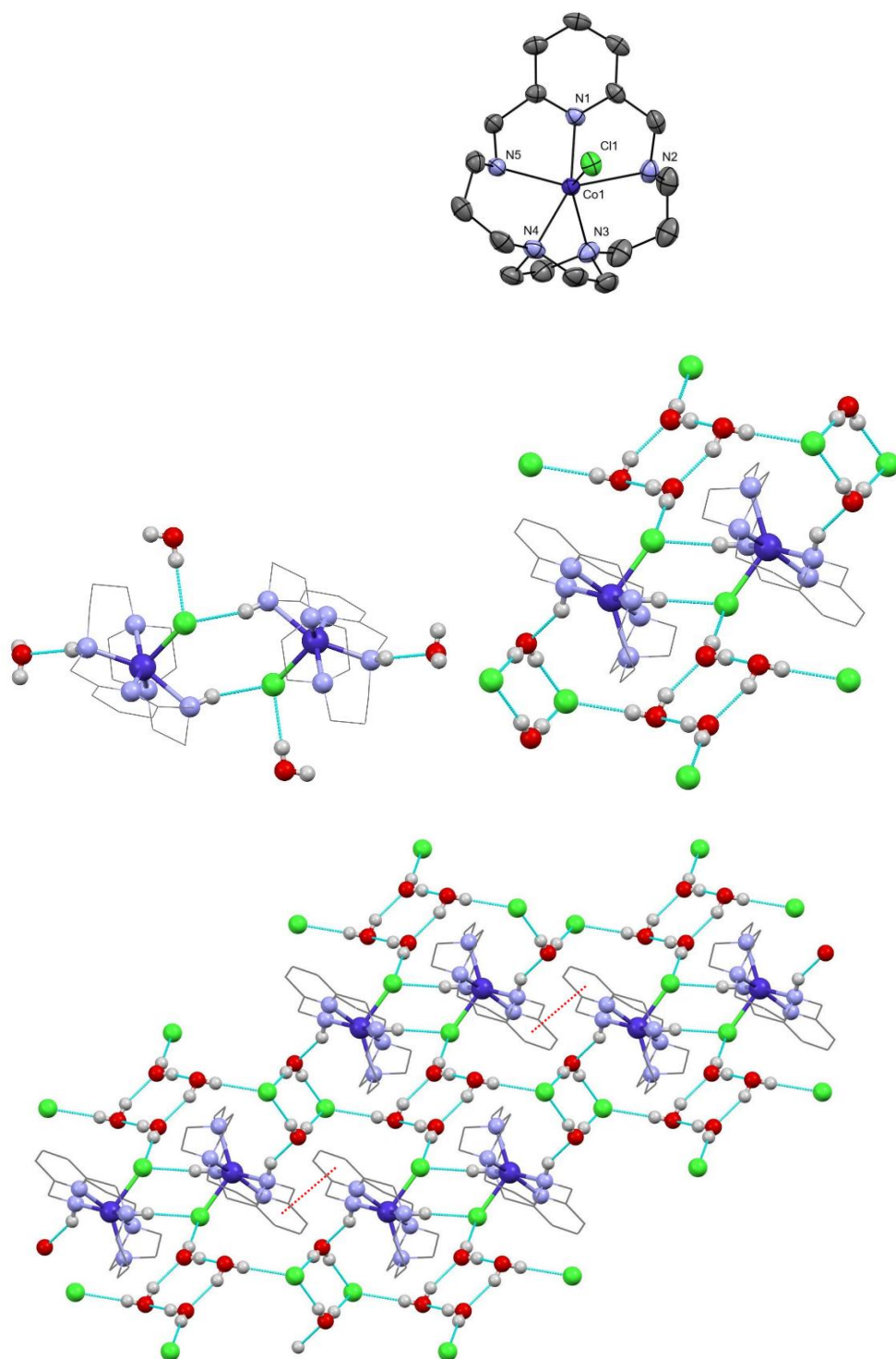
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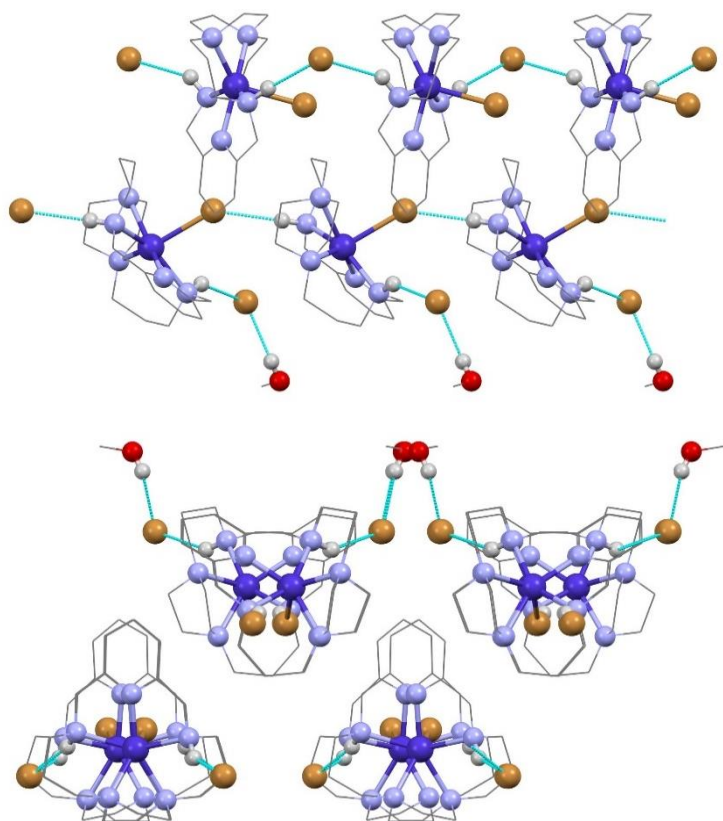
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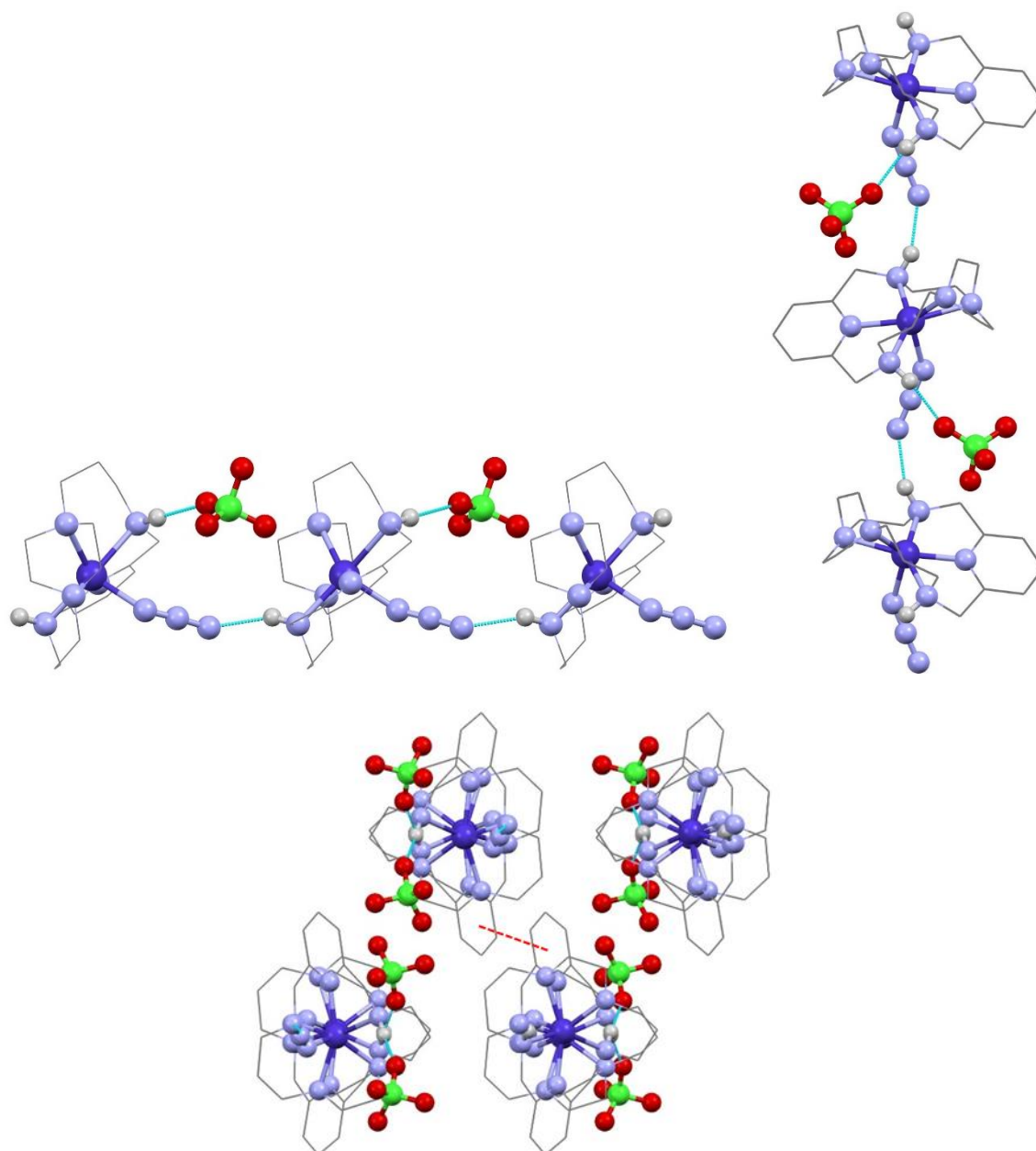
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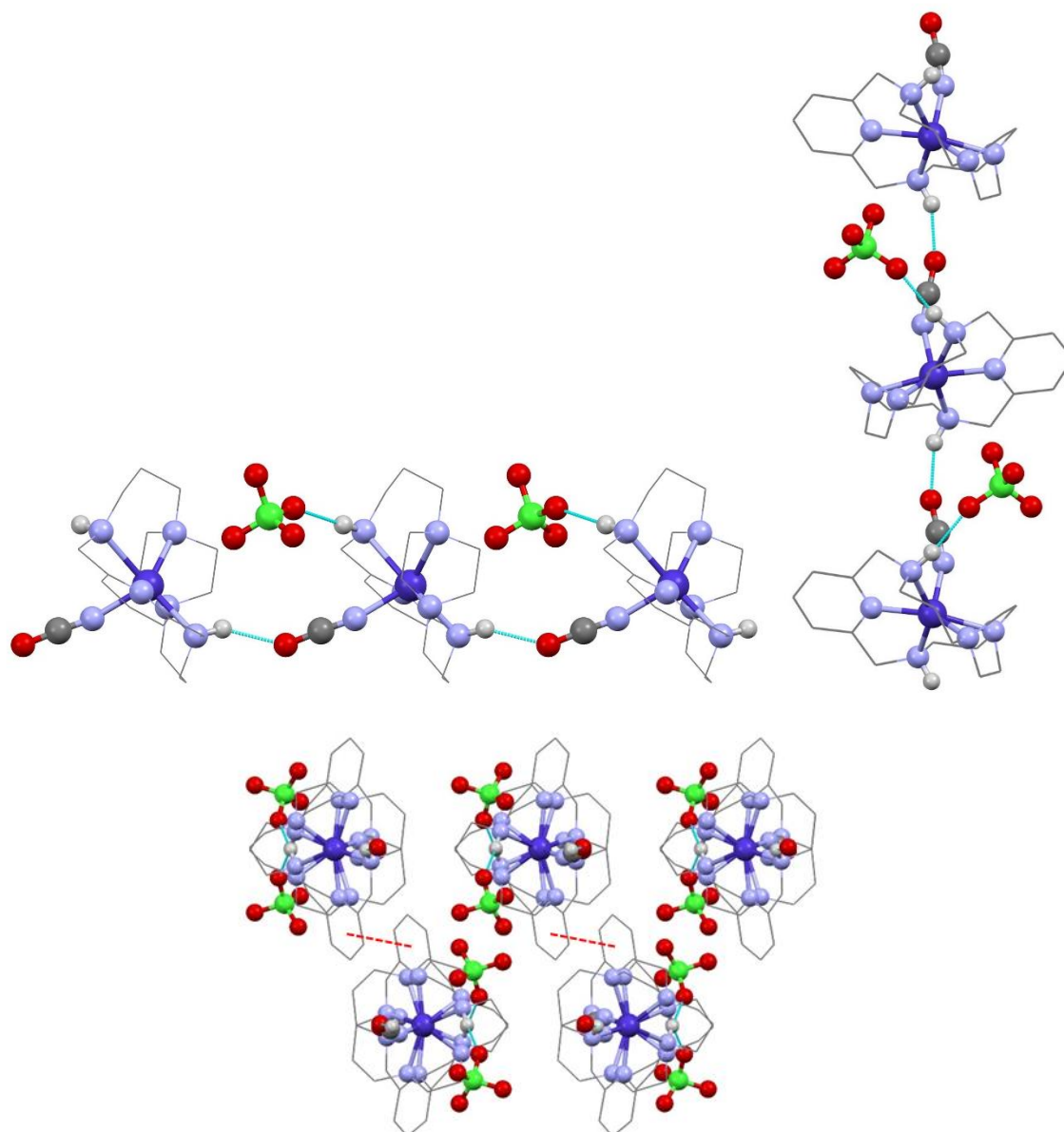


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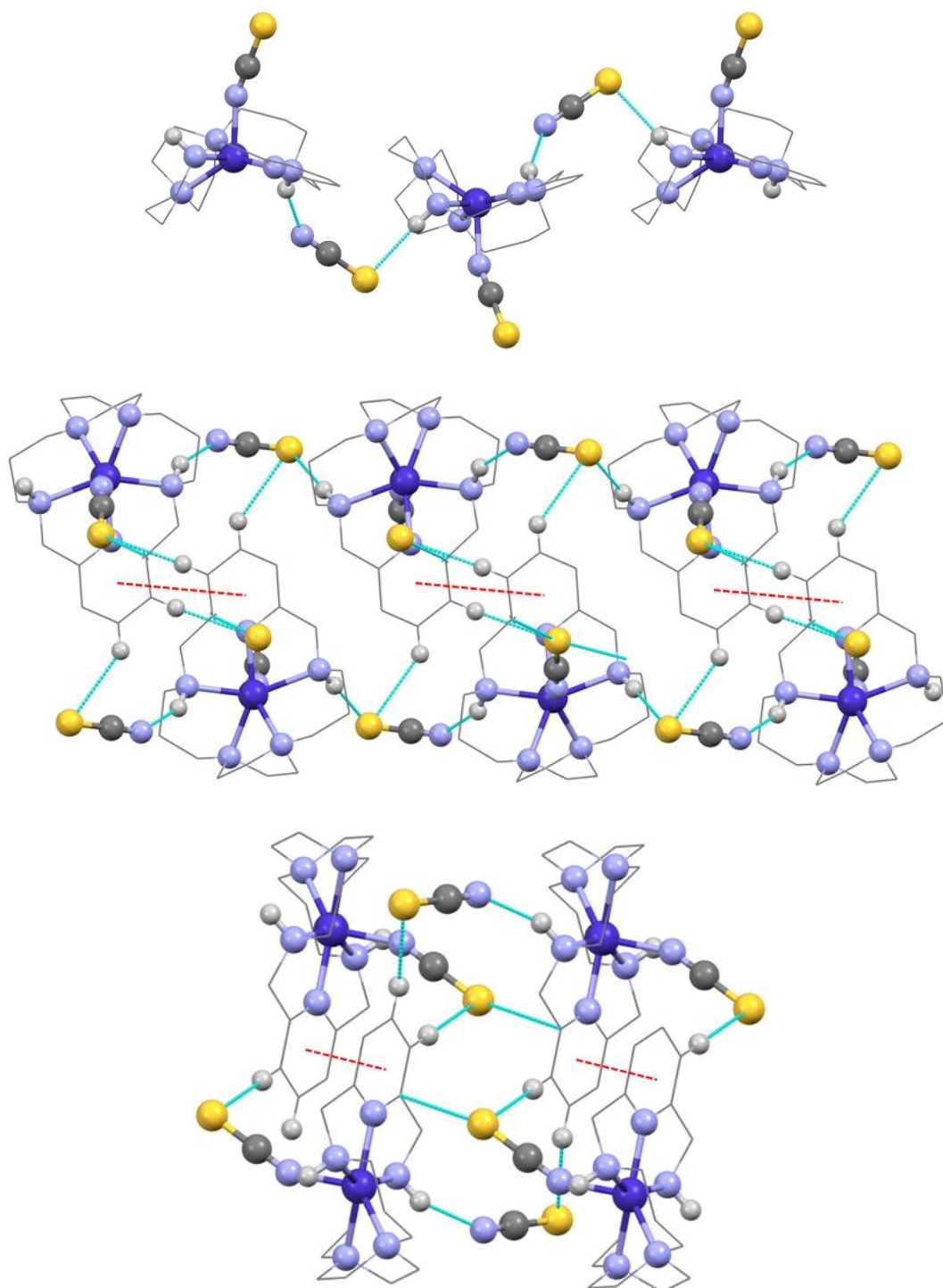


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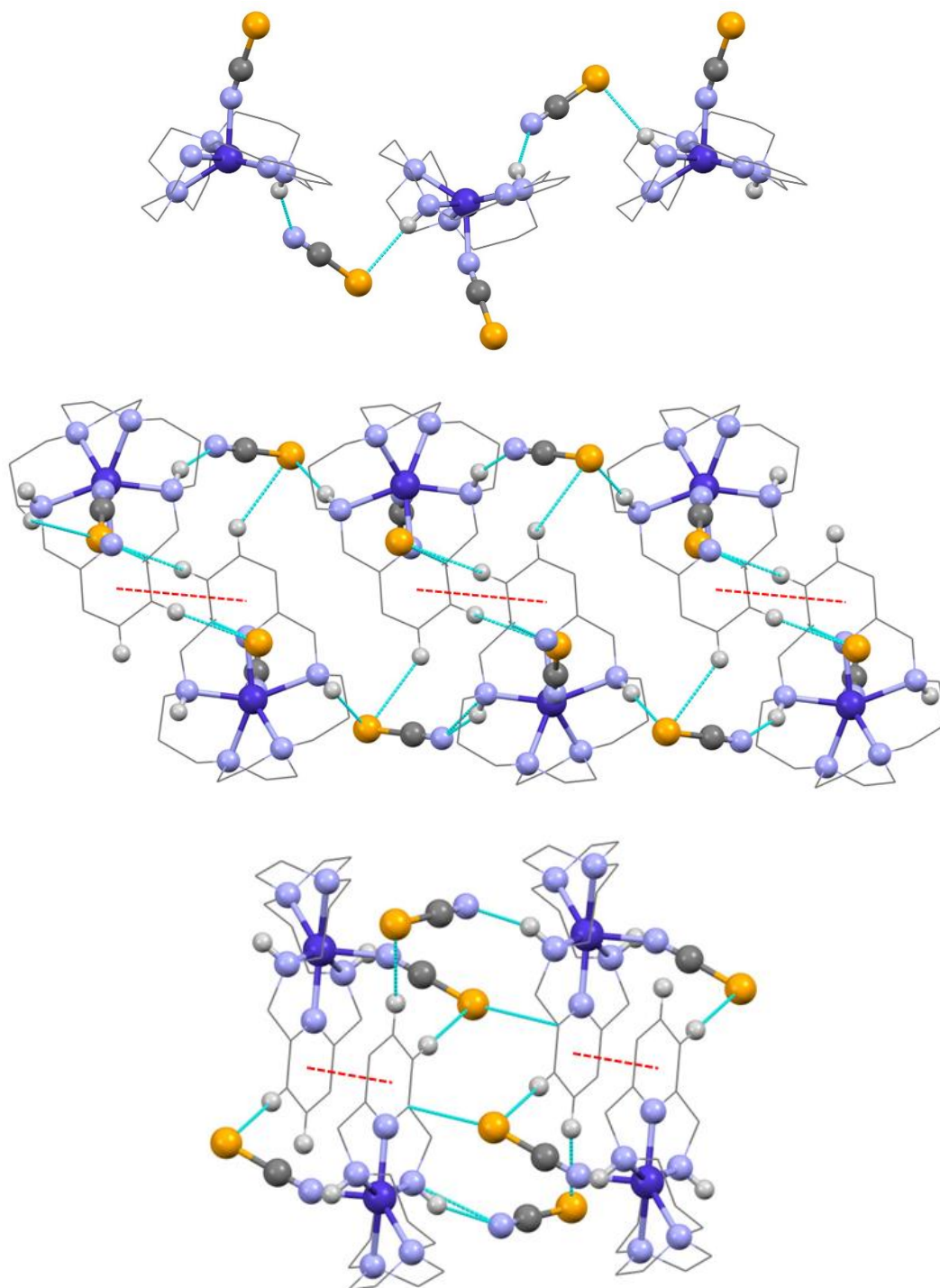




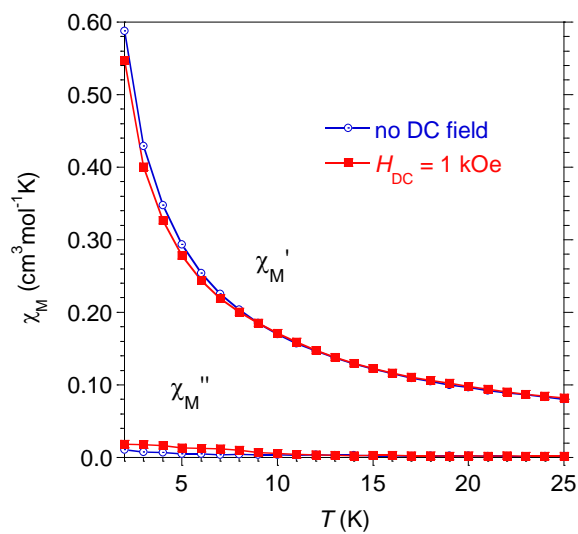
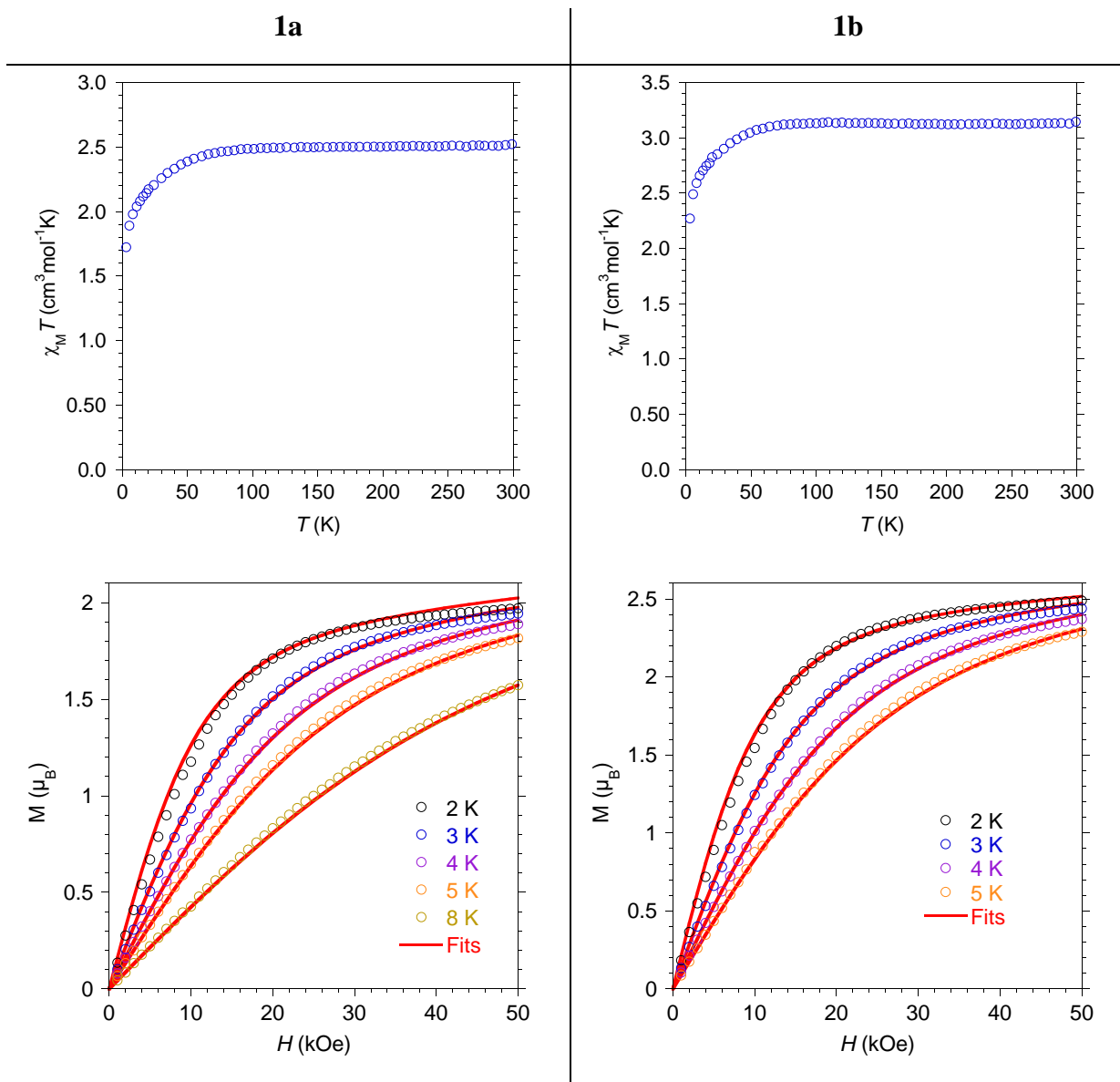
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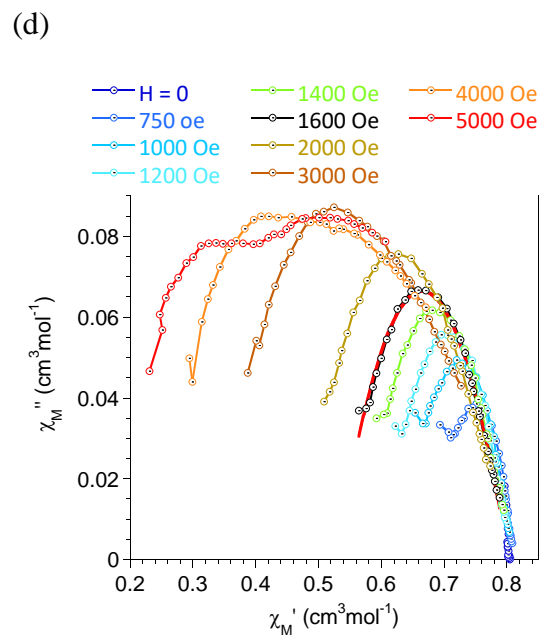
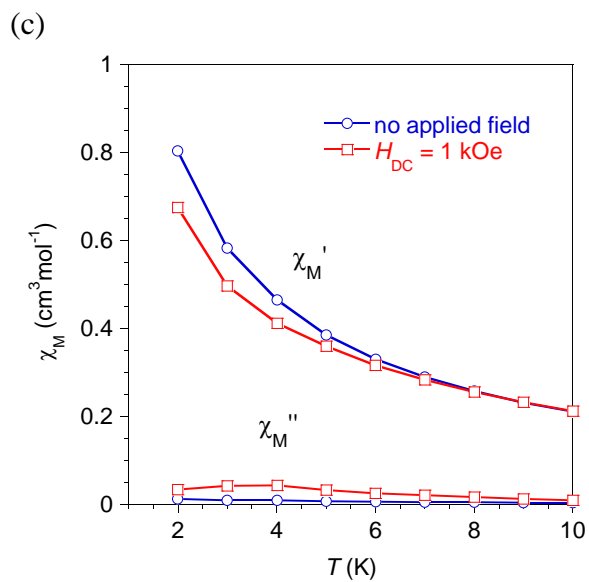
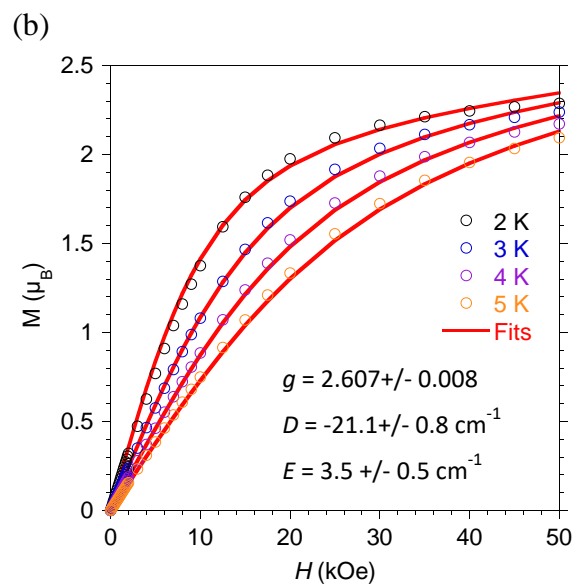
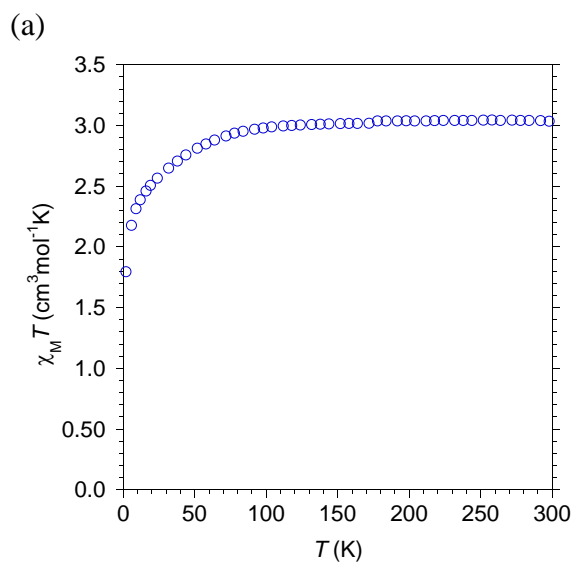


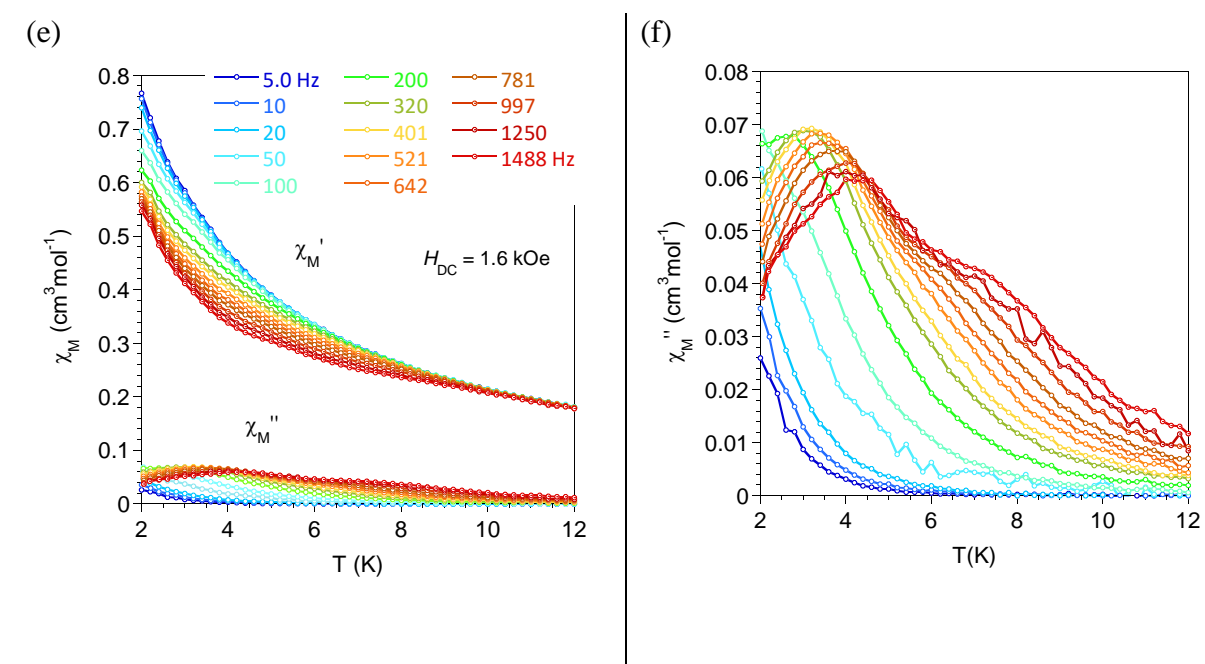
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**Figure S10** Magnetic behaviors for [CoLCl]Cl, **1a,b**. Experimental (O)  $\chi_M T = f(T)$  and  $M = f(H)$  behaviors, best-fit (—) parameters are given in the plots, and AC susceptibility traces for **1a** without and with applied static field.

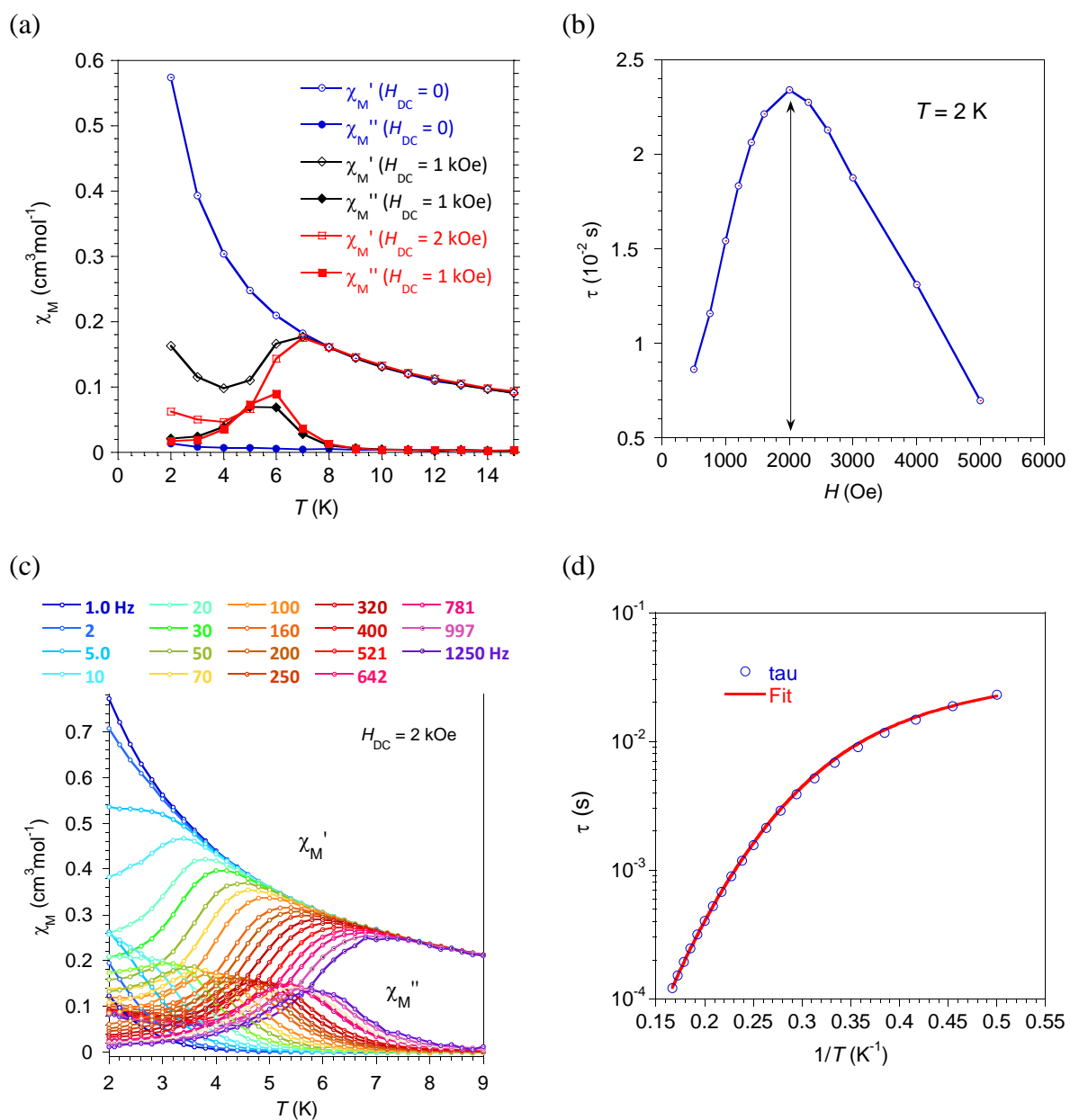
AC susceptibility obtained for **1a** in the absence (in blue) and with applied field (1 kOe, in red) with  $H_{AC} = 3$  Oe, and a test frequency of 997 Hz.





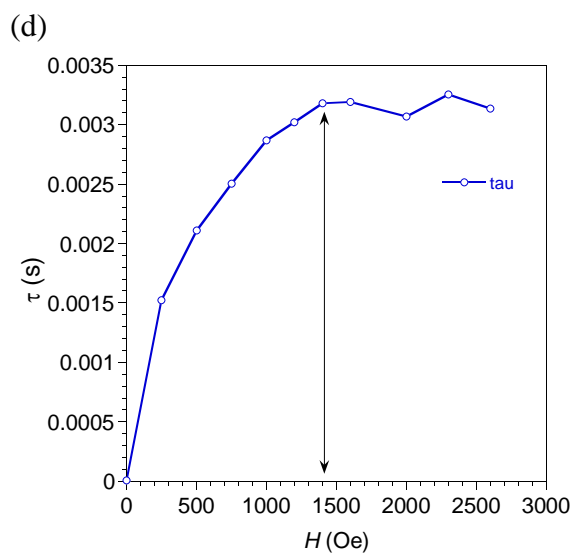
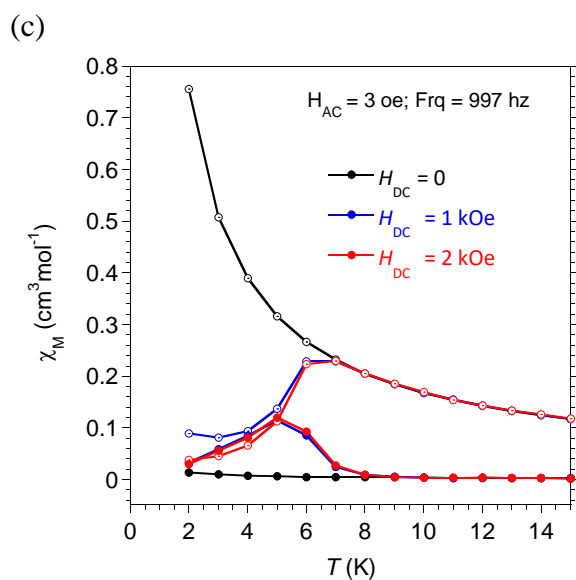
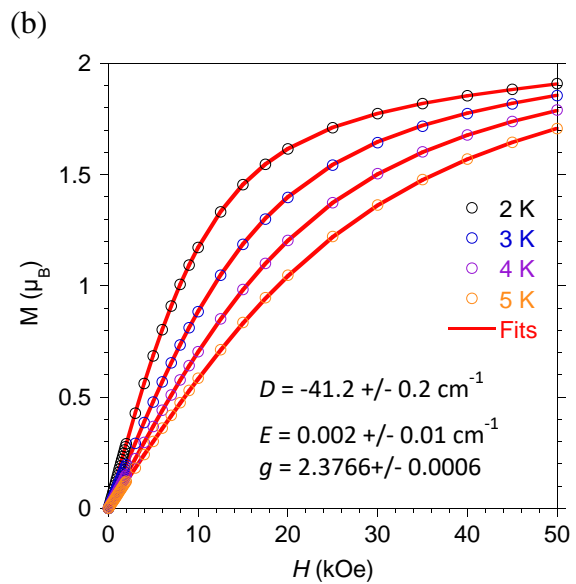
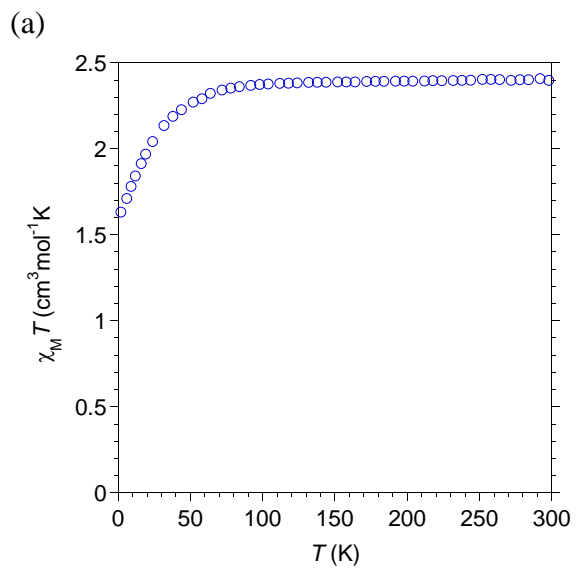
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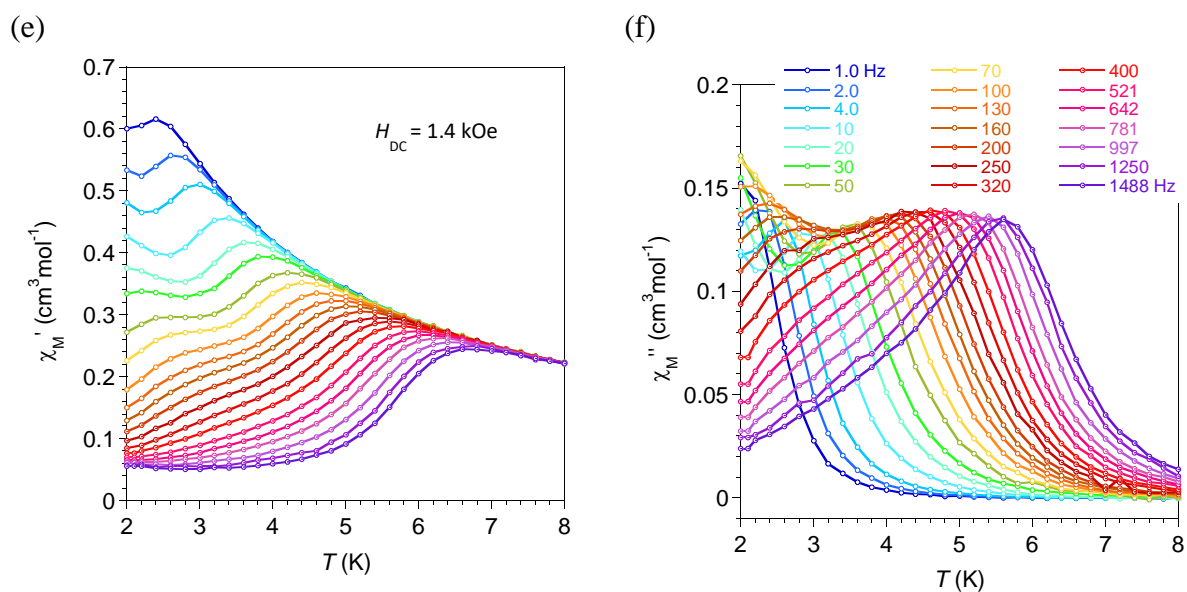
The field dependence of the AC susceptibility components showed an increase of the  $\chi_M''$  signal but revealed also the emergence of a second relaxation process as  $H_{DC}$  became larger (4d). A modeling of the  $\chi_M'' = f(\chi_M')$  with a gaussian function was possible for applied fields up to 1.6 kOe (red solid line in 4c) therefore this field was considered as optimal for the subsequent investigations.



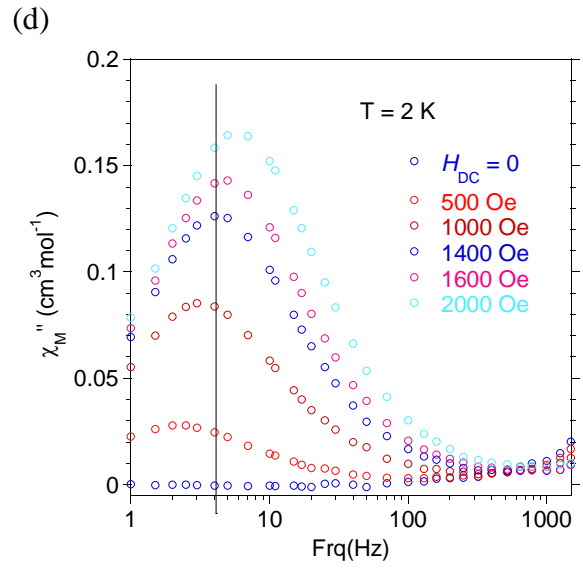
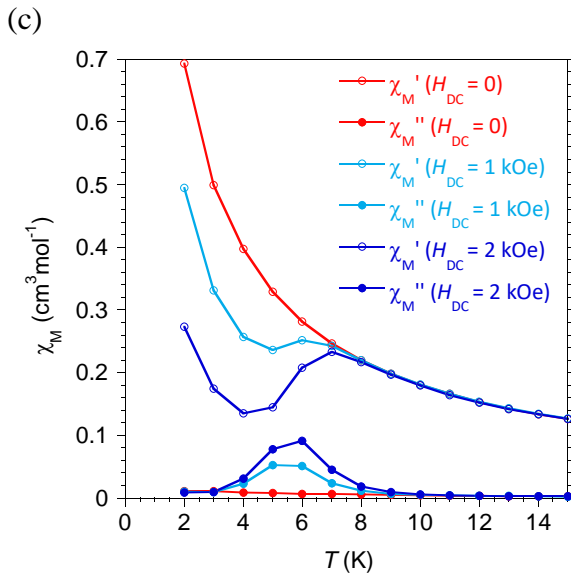
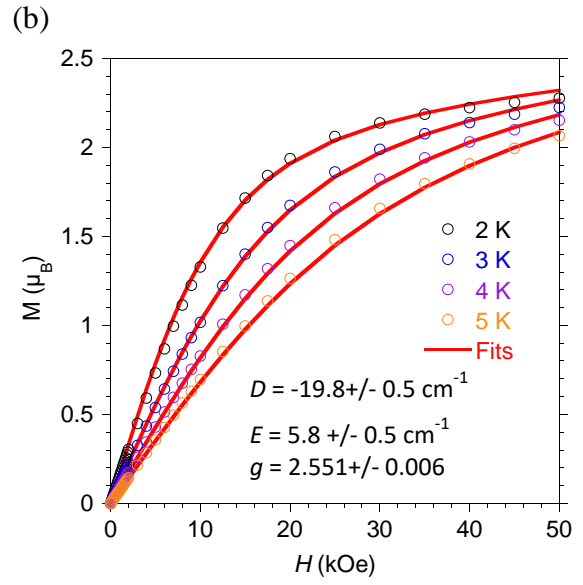
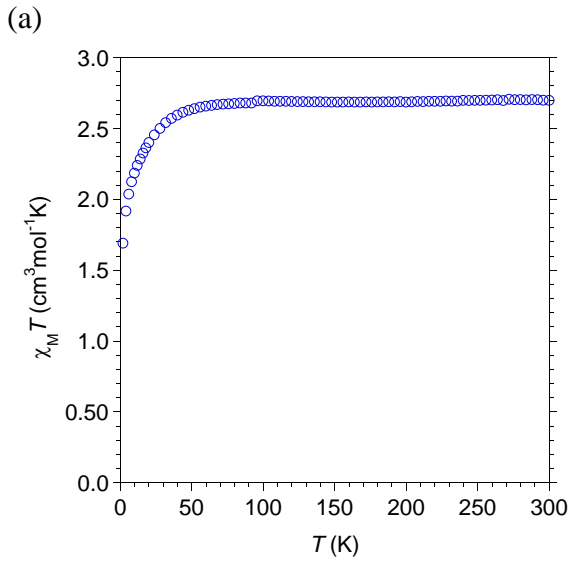
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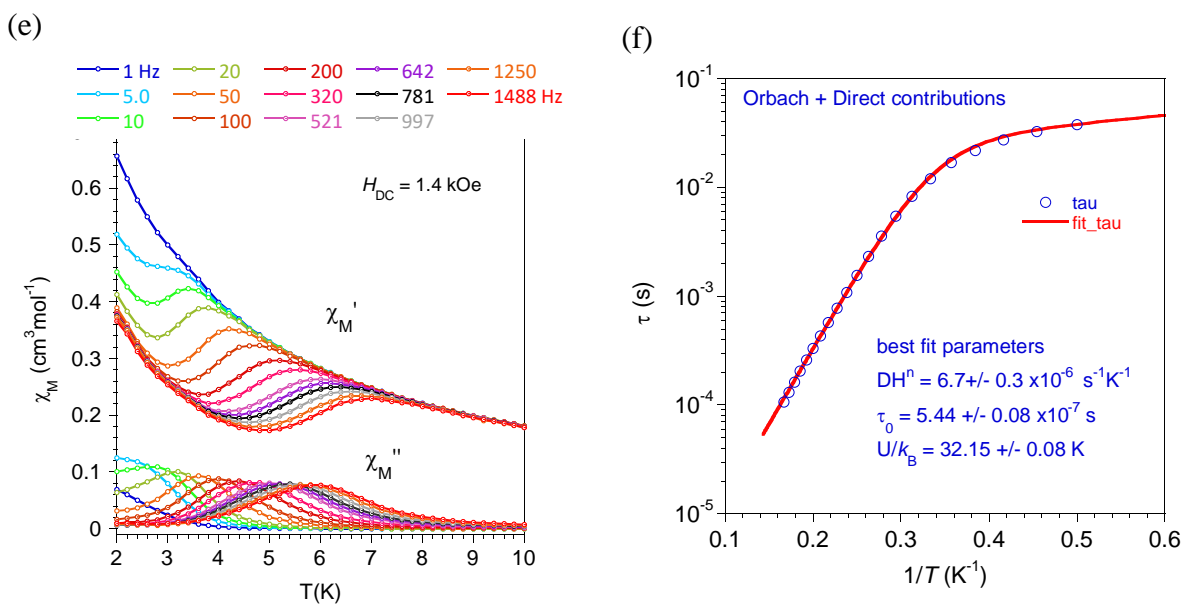




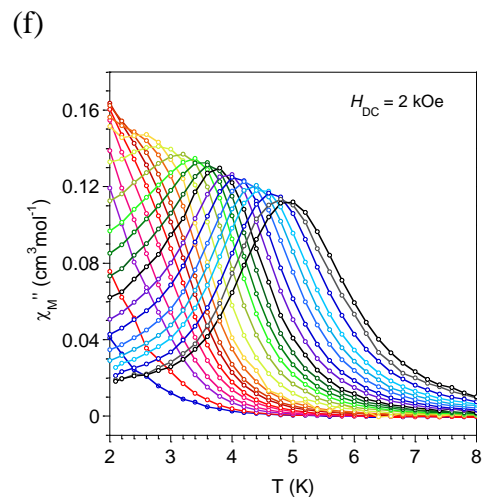
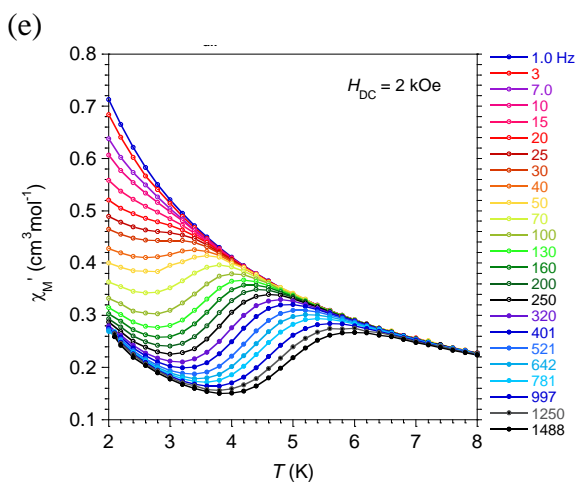
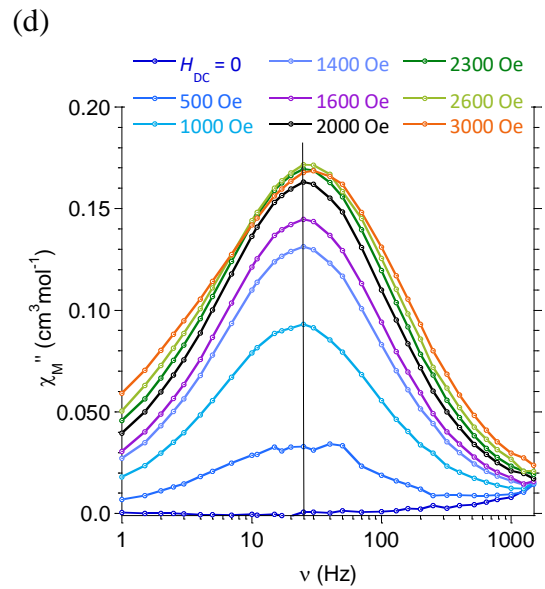
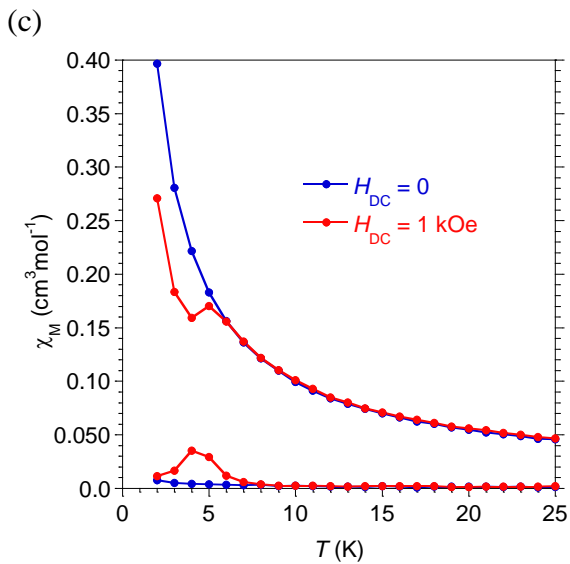
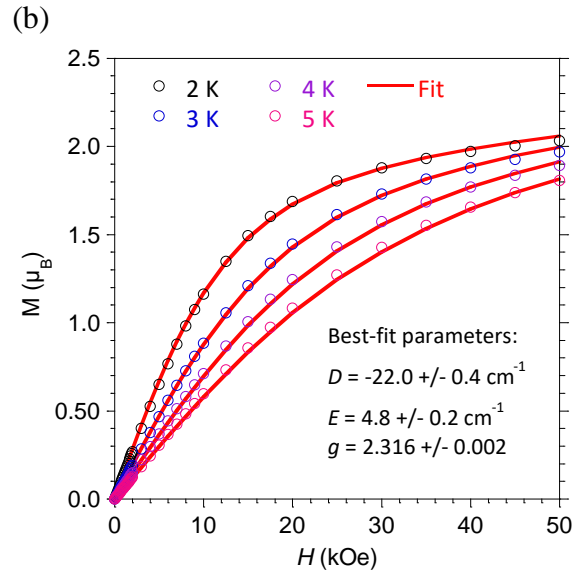
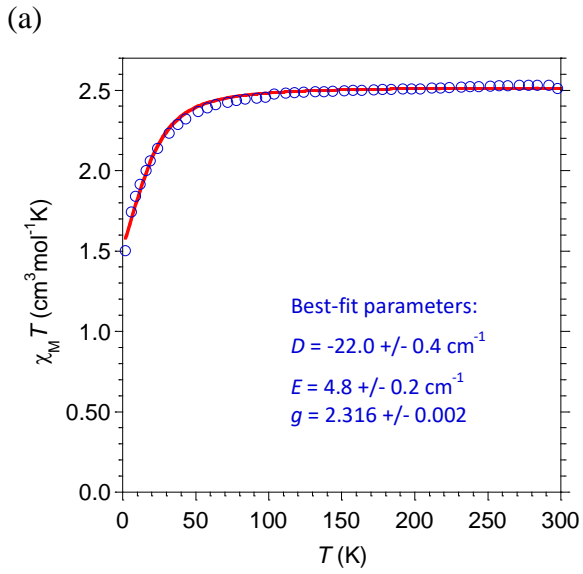


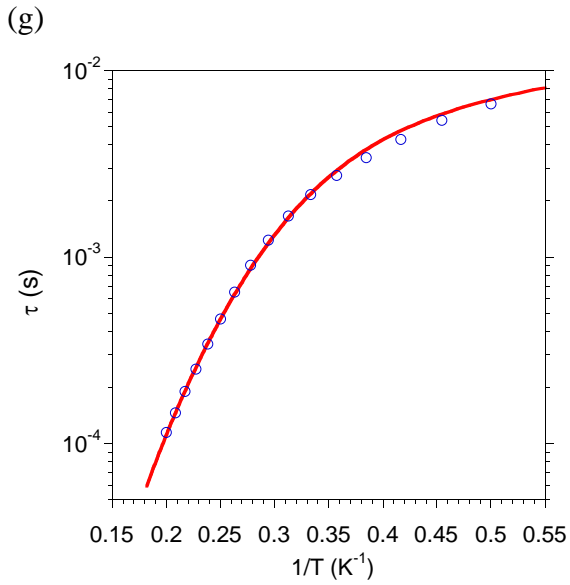
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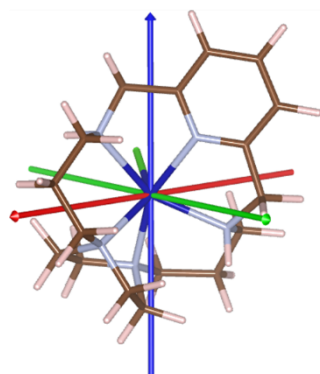




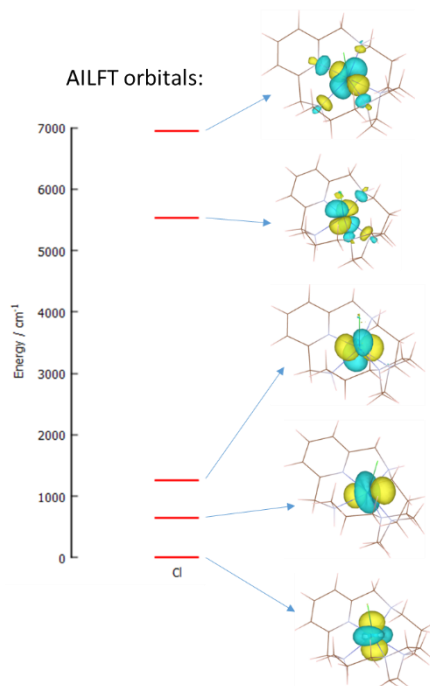
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Complex **1a** (Cl)

D-tensor:



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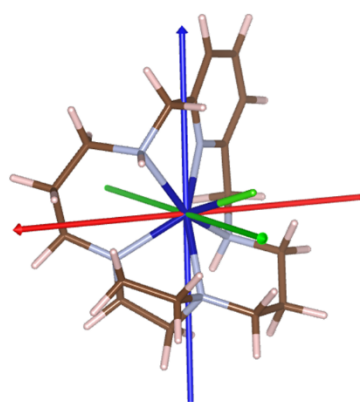
Composition of AILFT orbitals:

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642	0.22	0.02	0.03	0.42	0.32
1253	0.00	0.05	0.01	0.44	0.50
5536	0.23	0.60	0.03	0.02	0.12
6940	0.22	0.20	0.55	0.02	0.01

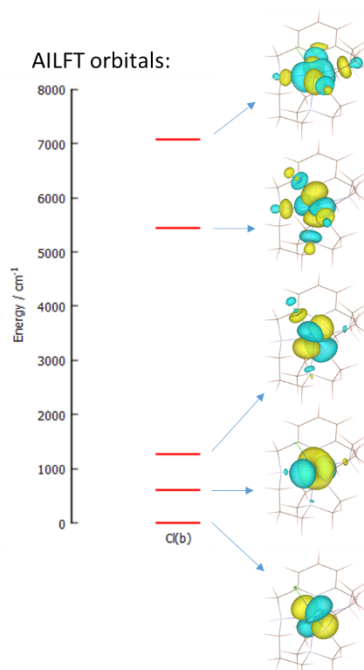
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Complex **1b** (Cl)

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Composition of AILFT orbitals:

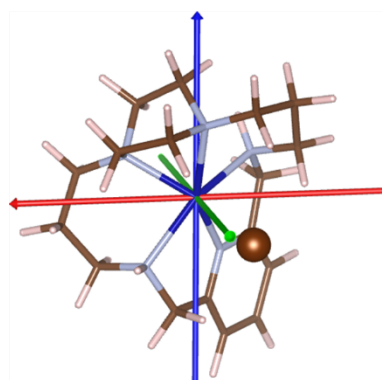
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1283	0.00	0.04	0.01	0.64	0.31
5437	0.30	0.47	0.09	0.01	0.12
7065	0.19	0.37	0.42	0.02	0.01

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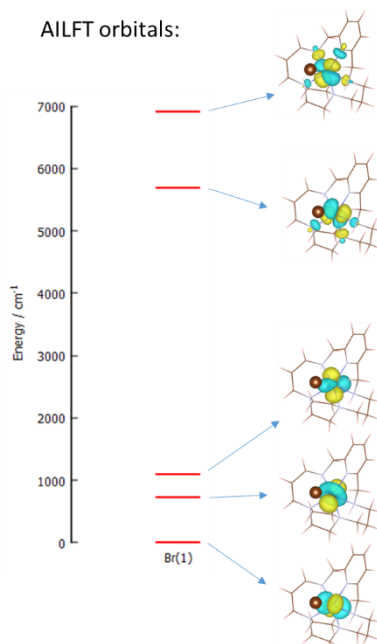


Complex 2 (Br(1))

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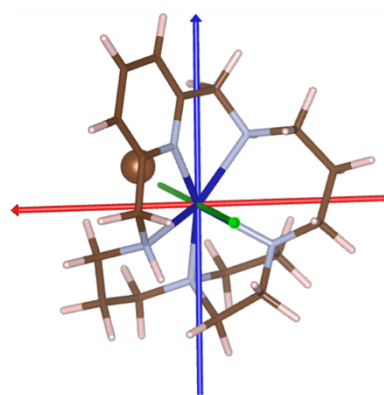
Composition of AILFT orbitals:

Energy (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	dz <sup>2</sup>	dxz	dyz	dx <sup>2</sup> -y <sup>2</sup>	dxy
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731	0.23	0.00	0.03	0.45	0.28
1106	0.00	0.04	0.01	0.42	0.53
5687	0.34	0.41	0.14	0.02	0.09
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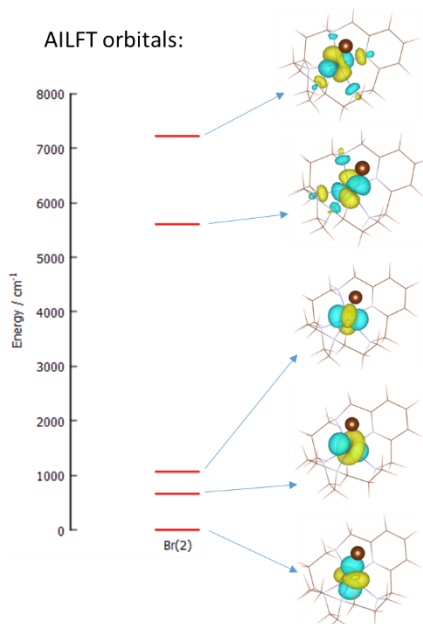
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Complex **2** (Br(2))

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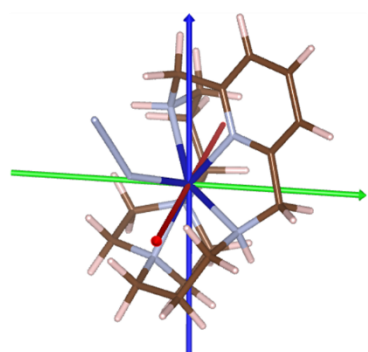
Composition of AILFT orbitals:

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678	0.22	0.01	0.04	0.45	0.29
1073	0.00	0.05	0.01	0.42	0.52
5603	0.26	0.58	0.03	0.01	0.12
7228	0.26	0.25	0.46	0.02	0.00

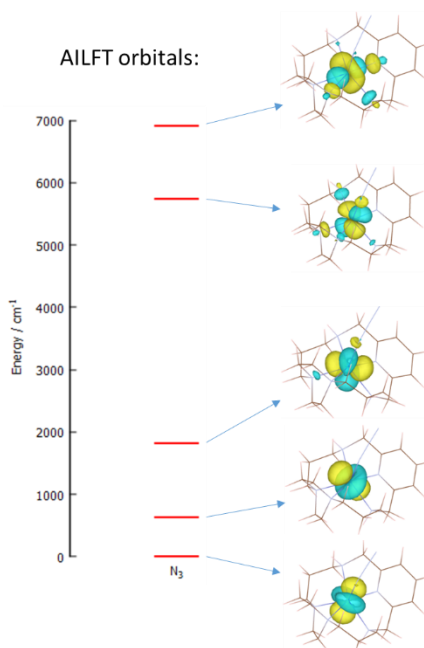
**Figure S19** Results of the CASSCF/NEVPT2 calculations for the complex **2** (second crystallographically independent molecule in the asymmetric unit) showing (i) the molecular fragment  $[\text{Co}(\text{L})\text{X}]^+$  derived from the experimental X-ray geometries used for CASSCF/NEVPT2 calculations overlaid with the principal axes of the  $D$ -tensor (x/y/z-axes coloured as red/green/blue arrows) (*left*), (ii) the d-orbital splitting calculated by *ab initio* ligand field theory (AILFT) together with their visualization (utilizing VESTA software) (*middle*), composition of *ab initio* ligand field orbitals centered on Co(II) obtained from CASSCF/NEVPT2 calculations (*right*).

Complex **3** ( $N_3$ )

D-tensor:



x = red, y = green, z = blue



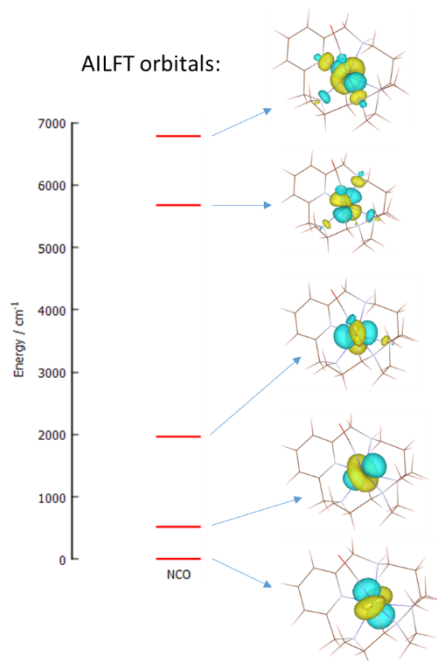
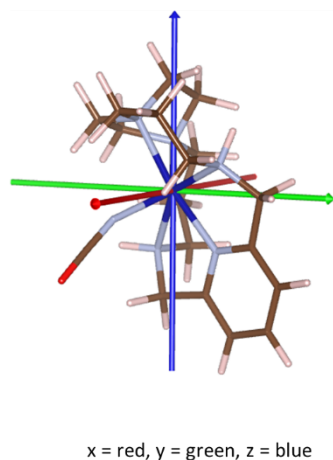
Composition of AILFT orbitals:

Energy (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	dz <sup>2</sup>	dxz	dyz	dx <sup>2</sup> -y <sup>2</sup>	dxy
0	0.47	0.20	0.24	0.08	0.01
626	0.18	0.03	0.01	0.74	0.05
1829	0.00	0.05	0.03	0.10	0.82
5733	0.11	0.72	0.01	0.06	0.10
6918	0.24	0.01	0.71	0.02	0.02

**Figure S20** Results of the CASSCF/NEVPT2 calculations for the complex **3** showing (i) the molecular fragment  $[Co(L)X]^+$  derived from the experimental X-ray geometries used for CASSCF/NEVPT2 calculations overlaid with the principal axes of the  $D$ -tensor (x/y/z-axes coloured as red/green/blue arrows) (*left*), (ii) the d-orbital splitting calculated by *ab initio* ligand field theory (AILFT) together with their visualization (utilizing VESTA software) (*middle*), composition of *ab initio* ligand field orbitals centered on Co(II) obtained from CASSCF/NEVPT2 calculations (*right*).

Complex 4 (NCO)

D-tensor:



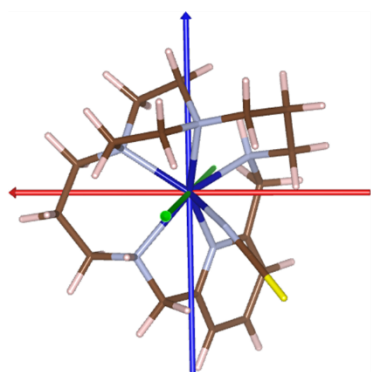
Composition of AILFT orbitals:

Energy (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	dz <sup>2</sup>	dxz	d <sub>yz</sub>	dx <sup>2</sup> -y <sup>2</sup>	dxy
0	0.44	0.28	0.13	0.15	0.00
513	0.22	0.01	0.03	0.72	0.02
1973	0.00	0.06	0.05	0.00	0.89
5669	0.06	0.60	0.15	0.11	0.08
6790	0.28	0.05	0.64	0.02	0.01

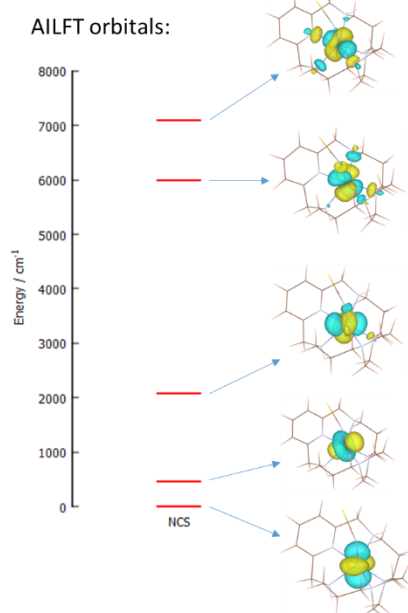
**Figure S21** Results of the CASSCF/NEVPT2 calculations for the complex **4** showing (i) the molecular fragment  $[\text{Co}(\text{L})\text{X}]^+$  derived from the experimental X-ray geometries used for CASSCF/NEVPT2 calculations overlaid with the principal axes of the  $D$ -tensor (x/y/z-axes coloured as red/green/blue arrows) (*left*), (ii) the d-orbital splitting calculated by *ab initio* ligand field theory (AILFT) together with their visualization (utilizing VESTA software) (*middle*), composition of *ab initio* ligand field orbitals centered on Co(II) obtained from CASSCF/NEVPT2 calculations (*right*).

Complex 5 (NCS)

D-tensor:



x = red, y = green, z = blue



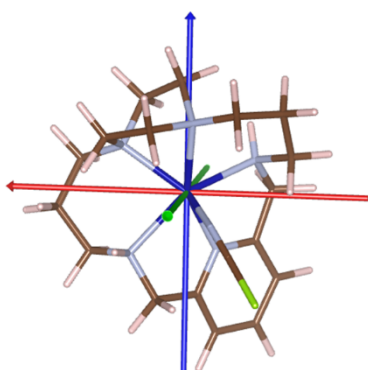
Composition of AILFT orbitals:

Energy (cm-1)	dz2	dxz	dyz	dx2-y2	dxy
0	0.38	0.13	0.30	0.15	0.04
470	0.23	0.01	0.04	0.60	0.13
2081	0.00	0.08	0.01	0.22	0.68
5995	0.11	0.73	0.00	0.01	0.14
7088	0.28	0.05	0.64	0.02	0.01

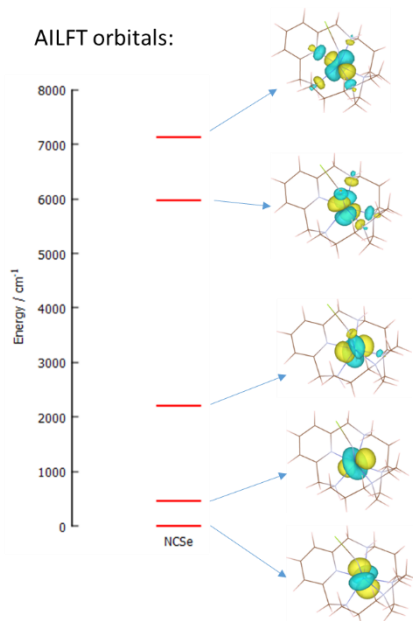
**Figure S22** Results of the CASSCF/NEVPT2 calculations for the complex **5** showing (i) the molecular fragment  $[\text{Co}(\text{L})\text{X}]^+$  derived from the experimental X-ray geometries used for CASSCF/NEVPT2 calculations overlaid with the principal axes of the  $D$ -tensor (x/y/z-axes coloured as red/green/blue arrows) (*left*), (ii) the d-orbital splitting calculated by *ab initio* ligand field theory (AILFT) together with their visualization (utilizing VESTA software) (*middle*), composition of *ab initio* ligand field orbitals centered on Co(II) obtained from CASSCF/NEVPT2 calculations (*right*).

Complex 6 (NCSe)

D-tensor:



x = red, y = green, z = blue



Composition of AILFT orbitals:

Energy (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	dz <sup>2</sup>	dx <sub>z</sub>	dy <sub>z</sub>	dx <sup>2</sup> -y <sup>2</sup>	dxy
0	0.36	0.06	0.40	0.07	0.11
462	0.21	0.01	0.04	0.34	0.40
2218	0.00	0.09	0.00	0.57	0.34
5981	0.17	0.61	0.07	0.00	0.14
7133	0.26	0.23	0.49	0.02	0.00

**Figure S23** Results of the CASSCF/NEVPT2 calculations for the complex **6** showing (i) the molecular fragment  $[\text{Co}(\text{L})\text{X}]^+$  derived from the experimental X-ray geometries used for CASSCF/NEVPT2 calculations overlaid with the principal axes of the  $D$ -tensor (x/y/z-axes coloured as red/green/blue arrows) (*left*), (ii) the d-orbital splitting calculated by *ab initio* ligand field theory (AILFT) together with their visualization (utilizing VESTA software) (*middle*), composition of *ab initio* ligand field orbitals centered on Co(II) obtained from CASSCF/NEVPT2 calculations (*right*).

**Table S1** Results of continuous shape measures calculations using program Shape 2.1 for complexes **1–6**.

	<b>1a</b>	<b>1b</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	
CN=6 <sup>a,b</sup>								
HP-6	30.323	30.269	31.038	30.720	29.210	29.136	28.836	28.792
PPY-6	7.989	7.727	8.481	8.591	6.968	6.927	7.193	6.999
OC-6	12.178	12.580	12.410	12.299	12.894	13.024	12.602	12.865
TPR-6	<b>4.720</b>	<b>4.772</b>	<b>4.779</b>	<b>4.715</b>	<b>5.544</b>	<b>5.476</b>	<b>5.307</b>	<b>5.338</b>
JPPY-6	12.391	12.158	13.650	13.702	9.715	9.506	9.732	9.487

<sup>a</sup> The listed values correspond to the deviation between the ideal and real coordination polyhedral, the lowest values are in red color.

<sup>b</sup> HP-6 = hexagon, PPY-6 = pentagonal pyramid, OC-6 = octahedron, TPR-6 = trigonal prism, JPPY-6 = Johnson pentagonal pyramid J2.

**Table S2** Selected bond angles (°) for the studied complexes **1–6**.

Complex 1a Angles (°)		Complex 1b Angles (°)		Complex 2 Angles (°)		Complex 2 Angles (°)	
N1 Co1 Cl1	91.34(8)	N5 Co1 Cl1	106.00(4)	N4 Co1 Br1	86.78(16)	N1A Co2 Br2	89.51(18)
N1 Co1 N5	77.13(9)	N5 Co1 N2	149.78(5)	N4 Co1 N5	78.6(2)	N1A Co2 N2A	76.6(2)
N1 Co1 N2	73.89(9)	N5 Co1 N4	78.93(5)	N4 Co1 N2	132.0(2)	N1A Co2 N5A	74.1(3)
N1 Co1 N3	130.21(10)	N1 Co1 Cl1	90.22(4)	N1 Co1 Br1	90.83(18)	N1A Co2 N3A	153.8(3)
N1 Co1 N4	154.41(11)	N1 Co1 N5	77.17(5)	N1 Co1 N4	152.7(2)	N1A Co2 N4A	130.7(3)
N5 Co1 Cl1	106.11(7)	N1 Co1 N3	131.65(6)	N1 Co1 N5	75.9(2)	N2A Co2 Br2	106.34(18)
N5 Co1 N2	149.70(10)	N1 Co1 N2	73.62(6)	N1 Co1 N3	131.2(3)	N2A Co2 N5A	149.2(2)
N5 Co1 N4	78.91(10)	N1 Co1 N4	154.23(6)	N1 Co1 N2	74.5(2)	N5A Co2 Br2	82.85(18)
N2 Co1 Cl1	83.38(8)	N3 Co1 Cl1	127.78(4)	N5 Co1 Br1	105.45(17)	N3A Co2 Br2	87.9(2)
N3 Co1 Cl1	129.00(7)	N3 Co1 N5	112.05(6)	N5 Co1 N2	149.0(2)	N3A Co2 N2A	79.0(3)
N3 Co1 N5	110.58(10)	N3 Co1 N2	82.64(6)	N3 Co1 Br1	129.95(18)	N3A Co2 N5A	131.3(3)
N3 Co1 N2	82.38(11)	N3 Co1 N4	67.24(6)	N3 Co1 N4	67.3(2)	N4A Co2 Br2	130.28(19)
N3 Co1 N4	67.49(11)	N2 Co1 Cl1	81.93(4)	N3 Co1 N5	109.9(2)	N4A Co2 N2A	110.3(3)
N4 Co1 Cl1	86.73(7)	N4 Co1 Cl1	87.17(4)	N3 Co1 N2	83.5(2)	N4A Co2 N5A	82.5(3)
N4 Co1 N2	131.01(10)	N4 Co1 N2	131.12(6)	N2 Co1 Br1	83.93(17)	N4A Co2 N3A	67.8(3)

Complex 3 Angles (°)		Complex 4 Angles (°)		Complex 5 Angles (°)		Complex 6 Angles (°)	
N1 Co1 N3	131.32(11)	N5 Co1 N2	149.14(10)	N5 Co1 N2	150.77(10)	N1 Co1 N5	76.75(10)
N1 Co1 N2	73.00(10)	N5 Co1 N4	79.74(10)	N5 Co1 N4	79.62(9)	N1 Co1 N3	134.56(12)
N1 Co1 N4	155.03(11)	N1 Co1 N5	76.99(10)	N1 Co1 N5	76.78(9)	N1 Co1 N4	153.34(11)
N1 Co1 N5	77.22(11)	N1 Co1 N2	72.91(9)	N1 Co1 N2	74.58(10)	N1 Co1 N2	74.60(11)
N3 Co1 N2	82.57(11)	N1 Co1 N3	131.19(10)	N1 Co1 N3	133.52(10)	N5 Co1 N4	79.51(10)
N3 Co1 N4	67.18(11)	N1 Co1 N4	155.14(10)	N1 Co1 N4	153.86(10)	N5 Co1 N2	150.81(10)
N3 Co1 N5	113.25(10)	N3 Co1 N5	113.49(10)	N3 Co1 N5	113.63(9)	N3 Co1 N5	114.52(10)
N4 Co1 N2	130.92(10)	N3 Co1 N2	82.45(10)	N3 Co1 N2	82.88(10)	N3 Co1 N4	67.33(11)
N5 Co1 N2	149.46(11)	N3 Co1 N4	67.04(10)	N3 Co1 N4	67.19(10)	N3 Co1 N2	82.71(11)
N5 Co1 N4	79.54(11)	N4 Co1 N2	131.01(10)	N6 Co1 N5	103.38(10)	N4 Co1 N2	129.68(11)
N6 Co1 N1	94.40(13)	N6 Co1 N5	104.57(11)	N6 Co1 N1	90.01(11)	N6 Co1 N1	89.51(12)
N6 Co1 N3	125.74(14)	N6 Co1 N1	92.94(11)	N6 Co1 N2	82.43(10)	N6 Co1 N5	103.14(12)
N6 Co1 N2	86.17(12)	N6 Co1 N2	83.82(11)	N6 Co1 N3	126.99(11)	N6 Co1 N3	126.06(12)
N6 Co1 N4	81.97(12)	N6 Co1 N3	125.97(12)	N6 Co1 N4	84.63(11)	N6 Co1 N4	84.21(12)
N6 Co1 N5	102.86(13)	N6 Co1 N4	84.50(11)	N4 Co1 N2	129.61(10)	N6 Co1 N2	82.16(11)



**Table S3** Calculated individual non-zero contributions to *D*-tensor for studied complexes **1–6** obtained from the CASSCF/NEVPT2 calculation together with the major contributing electronic configurations ( $\geq 10\%$ ) corresponding to the computed electronic states (CASSCF; ground and first excited state) as well as contributions to *D*-tensor from transitions between the electronic configurations of the ground and the first excited state by analysis of Lambda tensor (perturbation theory).

**Complex 1a (Cl)**

Multiplicity	Root	D [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	E [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]
4	1	-68.735	0.054
4	2	7.231	-6.813
4	3	5.763	2.151
4	4	4.286	2.074
4	5	-0.002	-0.035
4	6	0.019	-0.155
4	7	0.032	-0.027
4	8	-0.037	-0.000
4	9	-0.014	-0.003
2	0	-0.837	-0.088
2	1	0.910	0.067
2	2	0.003	0.003
2	3	0.812	-0.068
2	4	0.239	-0.001
2	5	0.939	-0.011
2	6	3.413	-0.009
2	7	-2.125	1.162
2	8	-2.184	-1.492
2	9	-0.003	0.003
2	10	-0.004	0.020
2	11	-0.036	-0.040
2	12	0.165	0.027
2	13	-0.009	-0.002
2	14	-0.047	0.066
2	15	-0.002	0.013
2	16	0.003	-0.012
2	17	0.186	-0.026
2	18	0.006	0.003
2	19	0.207	-0.017
2	20	-0.338	0.260
2	21	-0.955	-0.447
2	22	-0.384	0.226
2	23	0.068	-0.004
2	24	0.147	0.000
2	25	0.085	-0.012
2	26	0.000	0.000

2		27	0.003	-0.000
2		28	-0.038	-0.089
2		29	-0.004	-0.004
2		30	-0.070	0.074
2		31	0.126	0.026
2		32	0.011	-0.003
2		33	0.021	0.002
2		34	-0.001	0.000
2		35	0.015	-0.001
2		36	-0.010	0.011
2		37	0.023	-0.003
2		38	-0.011	0.012
2		39	-0.017	-0.027

LF term	CASSCF energy [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	NEVPT2 energy [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	Dominant electronic configurations based on CASSCF orbitals		Contribution to D [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	Contribution to E [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]
ground state	0	0	d <sub>z</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>x<sup>2</sup>-y<sup>2</sup></sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>2</sup> (33%) d <sub>z</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>x<sup>2</sup>-y<sup>2</sup></sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>2</sup> (28%)	a b		
1 <sup>st</sup> excited state	1105.4	1505.4	d <sub>z</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>x<sup>2</sup>-y<sup>2</sup></sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>1</sup> (48%) d <sub>z</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>x<sup>2</sup>-y<sup>2</sup></sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>1</sup> (23%)	c d	-68.735	0.054

transition	$\Delta m_1$	Contribution to D
a → c	0	strong negative
a → d	-	none
b → c	-	none
b → d	0	strong negative

## Complex 1b (Cl)

Multiplicity	Root	D [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	E [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]
4	1	-67.077	0.046
4	2	7.317	-6.704
4	3	5.586	0.838
4	4	4.392	2.828
4	5	0.002	-0.010
4	6	-0.011	-0.124
4	7	0.035	-0.024
4	8	-0.038	0.000
4	9	-0.016	-0.002
2	0	-0.847	-0.037
2	1	0.737	0.055
2	2	0.049	0.003
2	3	0.731	-0.095
2	4	0.116	-0.005
2	5	-0.013	-0.000
2	6	4.623	0.008
2	7	-2.174	0.610
2	8	-2.196	-1.000
2	9	-0.007	-0.003
2	10	0.020	-0.026
2	11	-0.038	-0.116
2	12	0.123	0.024
2	13	0.078	-0.011
2	14	-0.155	0.037
2	15	0.009	0.022
2	16	0.016	-0.016
2	17	0.152	-0.028
2	18	0.072	0.005
2	19	0.176	-0.012
2	20	-0.348	0.193
2	21	-0.922	-0.333
2	22	-0.377	0.186
2	23	0.038	0.006
2	24	0.192	-0.001
2	25	0.066	-0.016
2	26	0.000	-0.000
2	27	0.002	0.000
2	28	-0.047	-0.107
2	29	-0.005	-0.005
2	30	-0.051	0.092
2	31	0.107	0.032
2	32	0.011	-0.001

2	33	0.032	-0.003
2	34	-0.001	0.001
2	35	0.016	-0.001
2	36	-0.009	0.011
2	37	0.021	-0.003
2	38	-0.011	0.010
2	39	-0.020	-0.029

LF term	CASSCF energy [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	NEVPT2 energy [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	Dominant electronic configurations based on CASSCF orbitals		Contribution to D [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	Contribution to E [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]
ground state	0	0	d <sub>z</sub> <sup>2</sup> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>x<sup>2</sup>-y<sup>2</sup><sup>1</sup>d<sub>xy</sub><sup>2</sup> (37%)</sub>	a		
			d <sub>z</sub> <sup>2</sup> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>x<sup>2</sup>-y<sup>2</sup><sup>1</sup>d<sub>xy</sub><sup>2</sup> (37%)</sub>	b		
1 <sup>st</sup> excited state	1155.7	1569.0	d <sub>z</sub> <sup>2</sup> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>x<sup>2</sup>-y<sup>2</sup><sup>2</sup>d<sub>xy</sub><sup>1</sup> (50%)</sub>	c	-67.077	0.046
			d <sub>z</sub> <sup>2</sup> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>x<sup>2</sup>-y<sup>2</sup><sup>2</sup>d<sub>xy</sub><sup>1</sup> (34%)</sub>	d		

transition	$\Delta m_1$	Contribution to D
a → c	-	none
a → d	0	strong negative
b → c	0	strong negative
b → d	-	none

**Complex 2 (Br, first asymmetric unit)**

Multiplicity	Root	D [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	E [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]
4	1	-81.484	0.054
4	2	8.126	-7.872
4	3	3.313	-0.439
4	4	5.292	4.890
4	5	0.253	0.191
4	6	0.004	-0.121
4	7	0.037	-0.032
4	8	-0.050	0.000
4	9	-0.014	-0.001
2	0	-0.786	0.056
2	1	0.654	0.101
2	2	0.195	-0.018
2	3	0.422	-0.025
2	4	0.212	0.000
2	5	-0.064	-0.037
2	6	4.832	-0.016
2	7	-2.244	0.928
2	8	-2.208	-1.371
2	9	-0.058	-0.062
2	10	-0.040	0.005
2	11	0.096	-0.067
2	12	0.147	0.006
2	13	-0.104	-0.017
2	14	-0.044	0.040
2	15	-0.023	0.040
2	16	0.040	0.003
2	17	0.062	-0.003
2	18	0.106	-0.001
2	19	0.159	-0.010
2	20	-0.298	0.197
2	21	-0.997	-0.107
2	22	-0.393	-0.098
2	23	0.135	0.004
2	24	0.072	0.000
2	25	0.086	-0.025
2	26	-0.001	-0.002
2	27	0.001	-0.000
2	28	-0.037	-0.101
2	29	-0.006	-0.006
2	30	-0.023	0.072
2	31	0.081	0.040
2	32	0.021	-0.004

2	33	0.025	0.001
2	34	-0.001	0.001
2	35	0.013	-0.001
2	36	-0.011	0.012
2	37	0.021	-0.002
2	38	-0.011	0.010
2	39	-0.019	-0.029

LF term	CASSCF energy [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	NEVPT2 energy [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	Dominant electronic configurations based on CASSCF orbitals		Contribution to D [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	Contribution to E [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]
<b>ground state</b>	0	0	d <sub>z<sup>2</sup></sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>x<sup>2</sup>-y<sup>2</sup></sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>2</sup> (39%) d <sub>z<sup>2</sup></sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>x<sup>2</sup>-y<sup>2</sup></sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>2</sup> (37%)	a b		
<b>1<sup>st</sup> excited state</b>	905.0	1234.5	d <sub>z<sup>2</sup></sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>x<sup>2</sup>-y<sup>2</sup></sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>1</sup> (53%) d <sub>z<sup>2</sup></sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>x<sup>2</sup>-y<sup>2</sup></sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>1</sup> (32%)	c d	-81.484	0.054

transition	$\Delta m_l$	Contribution to D
a → c	0	strong negative
a → d	-	none
b → c	-	none
b → d	0	strong negative

**Complex 2 (Br, second asymmetric unit)**

Multiplicity	Root	D [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	E [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]
4	1	-77.598	0.054
4	2	7.359	-6.999
4	3	4.559	0.265
4	4	4.877	3.826
4	5	0.008	0.031
4	6	0.031	-0.182
4	7	0.039	-0.033
4	8	-0.051	0.000
4	9	-0.014	-0.003
2	0	-0.859	0.197
2	1	0.692	-0.022
2	2	-0.013	-0.006
2	3	0.777	-0.070
2	4	0.278	0.004
2	5	2.143	-0.002
2	6	2.290	-0.026
2	7	-2.139	1.048
2	8	-2.222	-1.562
2	9	-0.008	0.007
2	10	0.036	0.023
2	11	-0.086	-0.095
2	12	0.145	0.016
2	13	0.026	-0.014
2	14	-0.137	0.006
2	15	-0.011	0.032
2	16	0.009	-0.004
2	17	0.224	-0.023
2	18	-0.003	0.010
2	19	0.168	-0.020
2	20	-0.374	0.178
2	21	-0.966	-0.017
2	22	-0.321	-0.060
2	23	0.179	0.003
2	24	0.091	-0.003
2	25	0.016	-0.026
2	26	0.001	-0.000
2	27	0.002	0.000
2	28	-0.056	-0.104
2	29	-0.007	-0.008
2	30	-0.077	0.097
2	31	0.130	0.021
2	32	0.024	-0.002
2	33	0.027	0.001

2	34	-0.001	0.001
2	35	0.016	-0.002
2	36	-0.010	0.011
2	37	0.020	-0.002
2	38	-0.012	0.011
2	39	-0.022	-0.028

LF term	CASSCF energy [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	NEVPT2 energy [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	Dominant electronic configurations based on CASSCF orbitals		Contribution to D [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	Contribution to E [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]
ground state	0	0	d <sub>z2</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>x2-y2</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>2</sup> (38%)	a		
			d <sub>z2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>x2-y2</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>2</sup> (33%)	b		
1 <sup>st</sup> excited state	955.6	1312.4	d <sub>z2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>x2-y2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>1</sup> (48%)	c	-77.598	0.054
			d <sub>z2</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>x2-y2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>1</sup> (35%)	d		

transition	$\Delta m_l$	Contribution to D
a → c	-	none
a → d	0	strong negative
b → c	0	strong negative
b → d	-	none



**Complex 3 (N3)**

Multiplicity	Root	D [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	E [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]
4	1	-56.454	0.069
4	2	7.001	-5.967
4	3	6.710	3.802
4	4	2.889	0.325
4	5	0.404	-0.388
4	6	0.009	-0.115
4	7	0.020	-0.019
4	8	-0.025	-0.000
4	9	-0.011	-0.004
2	0	-0.636	-0.681
2	1	0.977	0.184
2	2	-0.014	0.018
2	3	0.955	-0.046
2	4	0.060	-0.011
2	5	0.007	-0.030
2	6	4.061	0.008
2	7	-2.001	1.326
2	8	-2.014	-1.504
2	9	0.055	0.046
2	10	-0.155	0.046
2	11	0.079	0.116
2	12	0.249	0.074
2	13	-0.002	0.003
2	14	0.012	0.134
2	15	0.000	0.009
2	16	-0.035	-0.035
2	17	0.163	-0.055
2	18	0.004	-0.003
2	19	0.146	-0.010
2	20	-0.258	0.245
2	21	-0.875	-0.928
2	22	-0.435	0.546
2	23	-0.021	-0.018
2	24	0.096	0.005
2	25	0.195	0.043
2	26	0.001	0.000
2	27	0.003	-0.001
2	28	-0.006	-0.029
2	29	0.011	0.001
2	30	-0.073	0.010
2	31	0.112	0.037
2	32	-0.009	-0.001
2	33	0.010	-0.001

2	34	0.000	0.000
2	35	0.011	0.001
2	36	-0.011	0.005
2	37	0.024	-0.002
2	38	-0.009	0.006
2	39	-0.010	-0.021

LF term	CASSCF energy [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	NEVPT2 energy [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	Dominant electronic configurations based on CASSCF orbitals		Contribution to D [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	Contribution to E [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]
ground state	0	0	d <sub>z2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>x2-y2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>1</sup> (41%) d <sub>z2</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>x2-y2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>1</sup> (13%) d <sub>z2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>x2-y2</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>2</sup> (13%)	a b c		
1 <sup>st</sup> excited state	1430.2	1821.4	d <sub>z2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>x2-y2</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>2</sup> (40%) d <sub>z2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>x2-y2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>1</sup> (22%) d <sub>z2</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>x2-y2</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>2</sup> (20%)	d e f	-56.454	0.069

transition	$\Delta m_l$	Contribution to D
a → d	0	strong negative
a → e	-	none
a → f	-	none
b → d	-	none
b → e	1	positive
b → f	0	strong negative
c → d	-	none
c → e	0	strong negative
c → f	1	positive

**Complex 4 (NCO)**

Multiplicity	Root	D [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	E [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]
4	1	-49.848	0.164
4	2	7.373	-6.230
4	3	6.539	4.964
4	4	2.115	-0.088
4	5	0.634	-0.651
4	6	-0.007	-0.075
4	7	0.015	-0.015
4	8	-0.015	-0.000
4	9	-0.010	-0.004
2	0	-0.360	-0.884
2	1	0.697	0.256
2	2	-0.022	0.027
2	3	0.554	-0.029
2	4	0.163	-0.016
2	5	-0.032	-0.037
2	6	4.210	-0.001
2	7	-2.025	1.599
2	8	-1.914	-1.584
2	9	-0.039	0.129
2	10	-0.081	0.271
2	11	0.065	0.026
2	12	0.292	0.041
2	13	0.031	-0.001
2	14	0.013	0.108
2	15	-0.030	0.006
2	16	-0.052	-0.035
2	17	0.118	-0.040
2	18	0.006	0.003
2	19	0.118	-0.030
2	20	-0.215	0.186
2	21	-0.789	-0.854
2	22	-0.466	0.432
2	23	-0.027	-0.004
2	24	0.083	0.007
2	25	0.216	0.050
2	26	0.001	0.001
2	27	0.005	-0.001
2	28	0.018	0.032
2	29	0.023	0.002
2	30	-0.095	-0.049
2	31	0.116	0.037
2	32	-0.008	-0.006
2	33	0.002	0.003

2	34	-0.000	0.000
2	35	0.006	0.002
2	36	-0.012	-0.003
2	37	0.020	0.003
2	38	-0.008	0.003

LF term	CASSCF energy [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	NEVPT2 energy [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	Dominant electronic configurations based on CASSCF orbitals		Contribution to D [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	Contribution to E [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]
<b>ground state</b>	0	0	$d_{z^2}^2 d_{xz}^1 d_{yz}^1 d_{x^2-y^2}^2 d_{xy}^1$ (56%)	a		
			$d_{z^2}^1 d_{xz}^2 d_{yz}^1 d_{x^2-y^2}^2 d_{xy}^1$ (20%)	b		
			$d_{z^2}^1 d_{xz}^1 d_{yz}^2 d_{x^2-y^2}^2 d_{xy}^1$ (11%)	c		
<b>1<sup>st</sup> excited state</b>	1604.5	2070.8	$d_{z^2}^2 d_{xz}^1 d_{yz}^1 d_{x^2-y^2}^1 d_{xy}^2$ (59%)	d	-49.848	0.164
			$d_{z^2}^1 d_{xz}^1 d_{yz}^2 d_{x^2-y^2}^1 d_{xy}^2$ (16%)	e		
			$d_{z^2}^1 d_{xz}^2 d_{yz}^1 d_{x^2-y^2}^1 d_{xy}^2$ (15%)	f		

transition	$\Delta m_l$	Contribution to D
a → d	0	strong negative
a → e	-	none
a → f	-	none
b → d	-	none
b → e	-	none
b → f	0	strong negative
c → d	-	none
c → e	0	strong negative
c → f	-	none

**Complex 5 (NCS)**

Multiplicity	Root	D [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	E [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]
4	1	-50.649	0.153
4	2	6.161	-2.215
4	3	6.355	0.340
4	4	2.276	0.564
4	5	0.194	-0.320
4	6	-0.001	-0.073
4	7	0.017	-0.009
4	8	-0.015	0.000
4	9	-0.010	-0.002
2	0	-0.672	-0.876
2	1	0.580	0.222
2	2	0.125	0.028
2	3	0.599	-0.040
2	4	0.060	-0.003
2	5	0.147	-0.041
2	6	4.018	0.007
2	7	-2.053	0.121
2	8	-1.891	-0.207
2	9	-0.006	-0.063
2	10	-0.050	-0.061
2	11	0.085	0.072
2	12	0.200	0.065
2	13	-0.004	0.037
2	14	-0.048	0.141
2	15	0.010	-0.020
2	16	-0.077	-0.077
2	17	0.125	-0.041
2	18	0.035	-0.000
2	19	0.079	-0.017
2	20	-0.155	0.084
2	21	-0.732	-0.816
2	22	-0.559	0.637
2	23	-0.000	-0.010
2	24	0.073	-0.000
2	25	0.187	0.033
2	26	-0.002	0.002
2	27	0.005	-0.000
2	28	0.012	-0.043
2	29	0.027	-0.000
2	30	-0.022	0.015
2	31	0.058	0.053
2	32	-0.005	0.003
2	33	0.013	-0.009

2	34	0.000	0.000
2	35	0.007	0.002
2	36	-0.012	0.005
2	37	0.015	-0.002
2	38	-0.007	0.006
2	39	-0.008	-0.026

LF term	CASSCF energy [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	NEVPT2 energy [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	Dominant electronic configurations based on CASSCF orbitals		Contribution to D [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	Contribution to E [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]
ground state	0	0	d <sub>z2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>x2-y2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>1</sup> (36%) d <sub>z2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>x2-y2</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>2</sup> (19%) d <sub>z2</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>x2-y2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>1</sup> (15%)	a b c		
1 <sup>st</sup> excited state	1612.9	2077.2	d <sub>z2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>x2-y2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>1</sup> (28%) d <sub>z2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>x2-y2</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>2</sup> (28%) d <sub>z2</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>x2-y2</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>2</sup> (22%)	d e f	-50.649	0.153

transition	$\Delta m_l$	Contribution to D
a → d	-	none
a → e	0	strong negative
a → f	-	none
b → d	0	strong negative
b → e	-	none
b → f	1	positive
c → d	1	positive
c → e	-	none
c → f	0	strong negative

**Complex 6 (NCSe)**

Multiplicity	Root	D [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	E [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]
4	1	-48.600	0.112
4	2	5.716	0.591
4	3	6.601	-3.167
4	4	2.224	1.063
4	5	-0.042	-0.166
4	6	-0.008	-0.035
4	7	0.016	-0.001
4	8	-0.014	0.000
4	9	-0.011	-0.001
2	0	-0.806	-0.779
2	1	0.452	0.164
2	2	0.299	0.038
2	3	0.460	-0.034
2	4	0.021	0.004
2	5	0.252	-0.026
2	6	4.020	0.007
2	7	-2.173	-1.003
2	8	-1.883	0.849
2	9	-0.073	-0.221
2	10	0.068	-0.111
2	11	0.080	-0.001
2	12	0.167	0.060
2	13	-0.052	0.065
2	14	-0.051	0.136
2	15	0.036	-0.008
2	16	-0.089	-0.119
2	17	0.122	-0.023
2	18	0.045	-0.001
2	19	0.053	-0.012
2	20	-0.133	0.033
2	21	-0.694	-0.726
2	22	-0.557	0.634
2	23	0.006	-0.004
2	24	0.051	-0.000
2	25	0.203	0.026
2	26	-0.002	0.002
2	27	0.004	0.000
2	28	0.000	-0.071
2	29	0.026	-0.002
2	30	0.010	0.041
2	31	0.033	0.060
2	32	-0.001	0.005
2	33	0.019	-0.013

2	34	-0.000	0.000
2	35	0.007	0.001
2	36	-0.011	0.008
2	37	0.014	-0.004
2	38	-0.006	0.007
2	39	-0.013	-0.031

LF term	CASSCF energy [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	NEVPT2 energy [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	Dominant electronic configurations based on CASSCF orbitals		Contribution to D [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	Contribution to E [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]
ground state	0	0	d <sub>z2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>x2-y2</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>2</sup> (38%) d <sub>z2</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>x2-y2</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>2</sup> (26%) d <sub>z2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>x2-y2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>1</sup> (15%)	a b c		
1 <sup>st</sup> excited state	1695.8	2196.1	d <sub>z2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>x2-y2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>1</sup> (44%) d <sub>z2</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>x2-y2</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>1</sup> (26%) d <sub>z2</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xz</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>yz</sub> <sup>2</sup> d <sub>x2-y2</sub> <sup>1</sup> d <sub>xy</sub> <sup>2</sup> (10%)	d e f	-48.600	0.112

transition	$\Delta m_l$	Contribution to D
a → d	0	strong negative
a → e	-	none
a → f	1	positive
b → d	-	none
b → e	0	strong negative
b → f	-	none
c → d	-	none
c → e	1	positive
c → f	-	none