## Bulk spin-crossover in the complex [FeL(NCS)<sub>2</sub>] of a novel tris(pyridyl)ethane-derived N<sub>4</sub>-ligand— A look beneath the surface

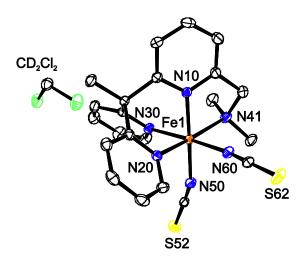
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## **Additional Figures**



**Fig. S1.** Solution of [FeL(NCS)<sub>2</sub>] (1) in acetone just above the melting point (left) and at room temperature (right).



**Fig. S2.** ORTEP plot of  $\mathbf{1} \cdot CD_2Cl_2$  at 150 K (ellipsoids of 50 % probability, hydrogen atoms omitted for clarity).

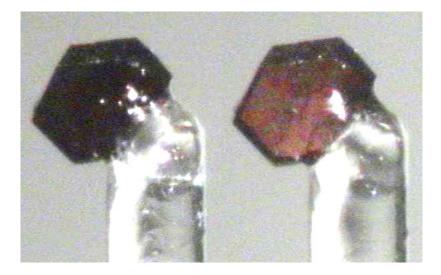
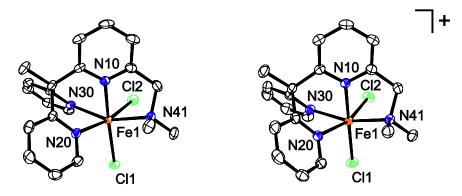
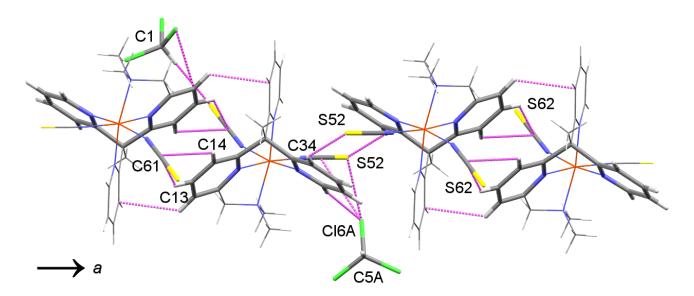


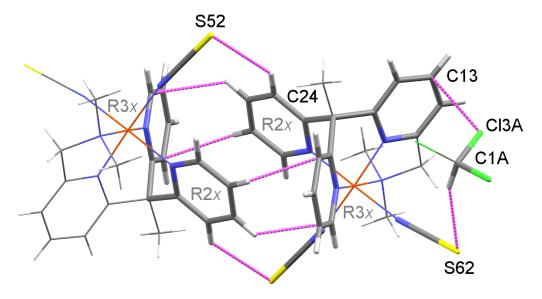
Fig. S3. Crystal of [FeL(NCS)<sub>2</sub>] · CHCl<sub>3</sub> (1a) at 150 K (left) and 300 K (right).



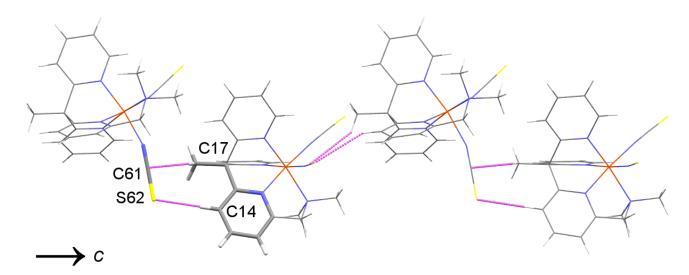
**Fig. S4.** ORTEP plots of  $[FeCl_2L] \cdot CH_3OH$  ( $2 \cdot CH_3OH$ , left) and  $[FeCl_2L]PF_6$  (3, right) at 150 K (ellipsoids of 50 % probability, solvent molecule, anion and hydrogen atoms omitted for clarity).



**Fig. S5.** MERCURY plot of structure detail in **1b** at 150 K: complex chain along [100] with two chloroform molecules (stick model, contacts as pink dashed lines,  $\pi$  stacking rings and thiocyanato ligands highlighted).



**Fig. S6.** MERCURY plot of structure detail in **1a** at 150 K: complex dimer with chloroform molecule (stick model, contacts as pink dashed lines, interacting parts highlighted).



**Fig. S7.** MERCURY plot of structure detail in **1a** at 150 K: zigzag chain along [001] internally interacting *via* thiocyanato ligands (stick model, contacts as pink dashed lines, interacting parts highlighted).

## Analysis of the Thermal-Expansion Tensor of 1a

$$x = p_0 + p_1 \cdot T$$

**Table S1.** Polynomial fit parameters for **1a** (thermal regime).

X	$p_0$	$p_1/10^{-3}~{ m K}^{-1}$
a/Å	18.052320	0.690928
b/Å	9.192367	0.762668
c/Å	16.167410	1.837536
$eta/^{\circ}$	105.433341	-3.794358
$V/Å^3$	2584.622000	672.095600

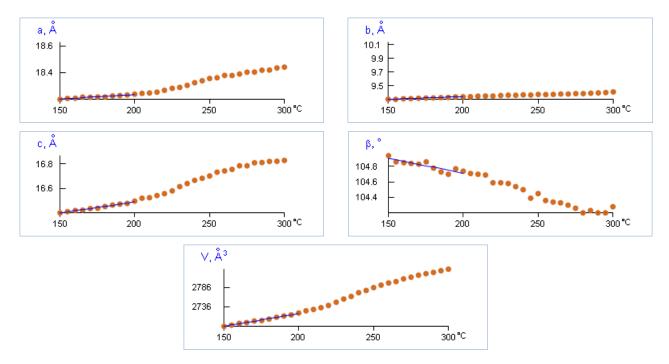
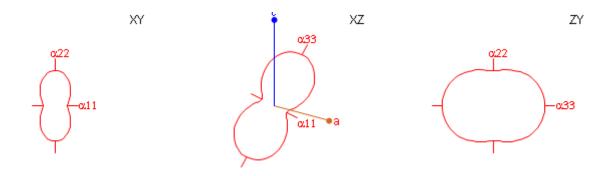


Fig. S8. Plots of cell constants and volume vs. temperature (in K) with polynomial fits for 1a (thermal regime).



**Fig. S9.** Plots of slice planes through the isosurface representation of  $\alpha$  for **1a** (thermal regime).

$$x = p_0 + p_1 \cdot T + p_2 \cdot T^2 + p_3 \cdot T^3$$

**Table S2.** Polynomial fit parameters for **1a** (SCO regime).

X	$p_0$	$p_1/10^{-3}~{ m K}^{-1}$	$p_2/10^{-6}~\mathrm{K}^{-2}$	<i>p</i> <sub>3</sub> /10 <sup>-9</sup> K <sup>-3</sup>
a/Å	20.431040	-35.511980	171.737300	-254.781600
b/Å	9.249759	0.507555	0	0
c/Å	13.915800	18.530860	-28.751820	0
$\beta$ / $^{\circ}$	124.372062	-220.841267	832.772191	-1077.474933
$V/Å^3$	1976.989000	5166.064000	-7732.078000	0

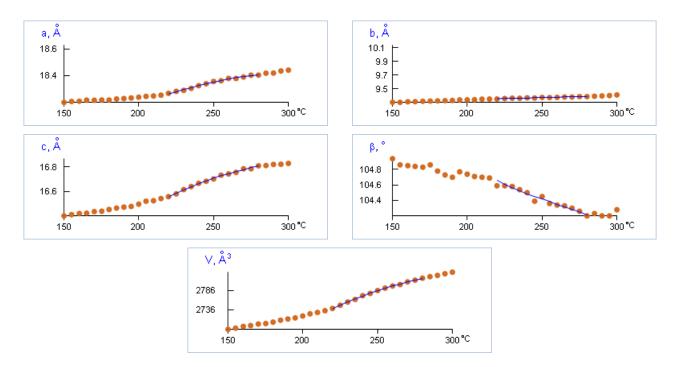
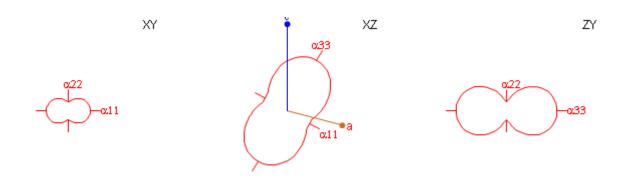


Fig. S10. Plots of cell constants and volume vs. temperature (in K) with polynomial fits for 1a (SCO regime).



**Fig. S11.** Plots of slice planes through the isosurface representation of  $\alpha$  for **1a** (SCO regime).

## Analysis of the Thermal-Expansion Tensor of 1b

$$x = p_0 + p_1 \cdot T$$

**Table S3.** Polynomial fit parameters for **1b** (thermal regime).

X	$p_0$	$p_1/10^{-3}~{ m K}^{-1}$
a/Å	13.704340	0.548125
b/Å	15.309980	1.122647
c/Å	14.270460	1.656687
$oldsymbol{eta}/^{\circ}$	92.059393	-3.525024
$V/Å^3$	2990.535000	710.340500

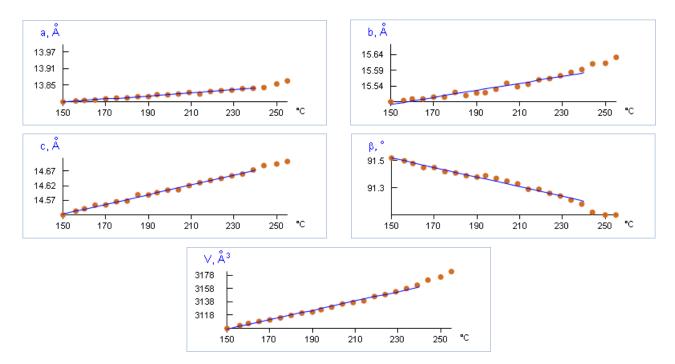
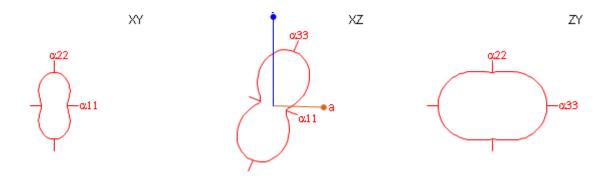


Fig. S12. Plots of cell constants and volume vs. temperature (in K) with polynomial fits for 1b (thermal regime).



**Fig. S13.** Plots of slice planes through the isosurface representation of  $\alpha$  for **1b** (thermal regime).