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# Synthesis, crystal structure, magnetic properties and DFT study of dinuclear Ni(II) complex with the condensation product of 2-quinolinecarboxaldehyde and Girard's T reagent

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Cg(I) <sup>a</sup>	Cg(J) <sup>a</sup>	Cg(I)–Cg(J) <sup>b</sup> (Å)	$\alpha^c$ (°)	$\beta^d$ (°)	$\gamma^e$ (°)	Sym. code on (J)
<i>Intramolecular</i>						
Cg(A'')	Cg(B'')	3.588(2)	9.8(1)	17.0	13.8	x, y, z
Cg(A'')	Cg(B')	4.557(2)	8.0(1)	47.1	41.1	x, y, z
Cg(A')	Cg(B'')	4.787(2)	10.8(1)	46.1	42.8	x, y, z
<i>Intermolecular</i>						
Cg(A')	Cg(A')	4.172(2)	0.0	35.4	35.4	-x, 2-y, -z
Cg(A'')	Cg(A')	4.512(2)	2.7(1)	40.0	42.2	-x, 2-y, -z

<sup>a</sup> Labels of aromatic rings: (A') = N1A, C8A', C4A', C2A-C4A; (A'') = C4A', C8A', C5A-C8A; (B') = N1B, C4B', C8B', C2B-C4B; (B'') = C4B', C8B', C5B-C8B.

<sup>b</sup> Cg(I)–Cg(J) = Distance between ring centroids (Ang.).

<sup>c</sup>  $\alpha$  = Dihedral angle between planes (I) and (J) (Deg).

<sup>d</sup>  $\beta$  = Angle between Cg(I)–Cg(J) vector and normal to plane (I) (Deg).

<sup>e</sup>  $\gamma$  = Angle between Cg(I)–Cg(J) vector and normal to plane (J) (Deg).

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C–H	Cg(J)	H...Cg (Å)	H...( quinoline J) <sup>a</sup> (Å)	C–H...Cg (°)	$\gamma^b$ (°)	Sym. code on (J)
C7A–H7A	Cg(B'')	2.95	2.88	128	12.4	$-x, 1/2+y, 1/2-z$

<sup>a</sup> Perpendicular distance of H to ring plane (J) (Ang.).<sup>b</sup>  $\gamma$  = Angle between H...Cg line and perpendicular H...(ring plane) line (Deg).**Table S.3.** Hydrogen bond parameters (Å,°) for  $[\text{Ni}_2\text{L}_2(\mu_{-1,1}\text{-N}_3)_2(\text{N}_3)_2] \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O} \cdot \text{CH}_3\text{OH}$  complex

D–H...A	D–H (Å)	H...A (Å)	D...A (Å)	D–H...A (°)	Sym. code on A
O1SA–H1SA ...N6ZA	0.97(9)	2.1(1)	2.80(2)	126(7)	
O1SA–H2SA ...N3B	1.00(5)	1.98(6)	2.917(9)	155(7)	$x, 3/2-y, -1/2+z$
O1SB–H1SB...N6ZB	0.99(9)	2.15(11)	3.048(13)	151(9)	

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Functional	Spin state	$S$	$E$ , a.u.	$\Delta E$ , kcal/mol	$S^2$
B3LYP	HS	2	-5427.396931		6.020
	BS	0	-5427.396188	0.47	2.015
B3LYP*	HS	2	-5405.442710		6.020
	BS	0	-5405.442149	0.35	2.016
PBE0	HS	2	-5424.064214		6.022
	BS	0	-5424.063412	0.50	2.016
TPSSh	HS	2	-5427.496460		6.023
	BS	0	-5427.495768	0.43	2.019

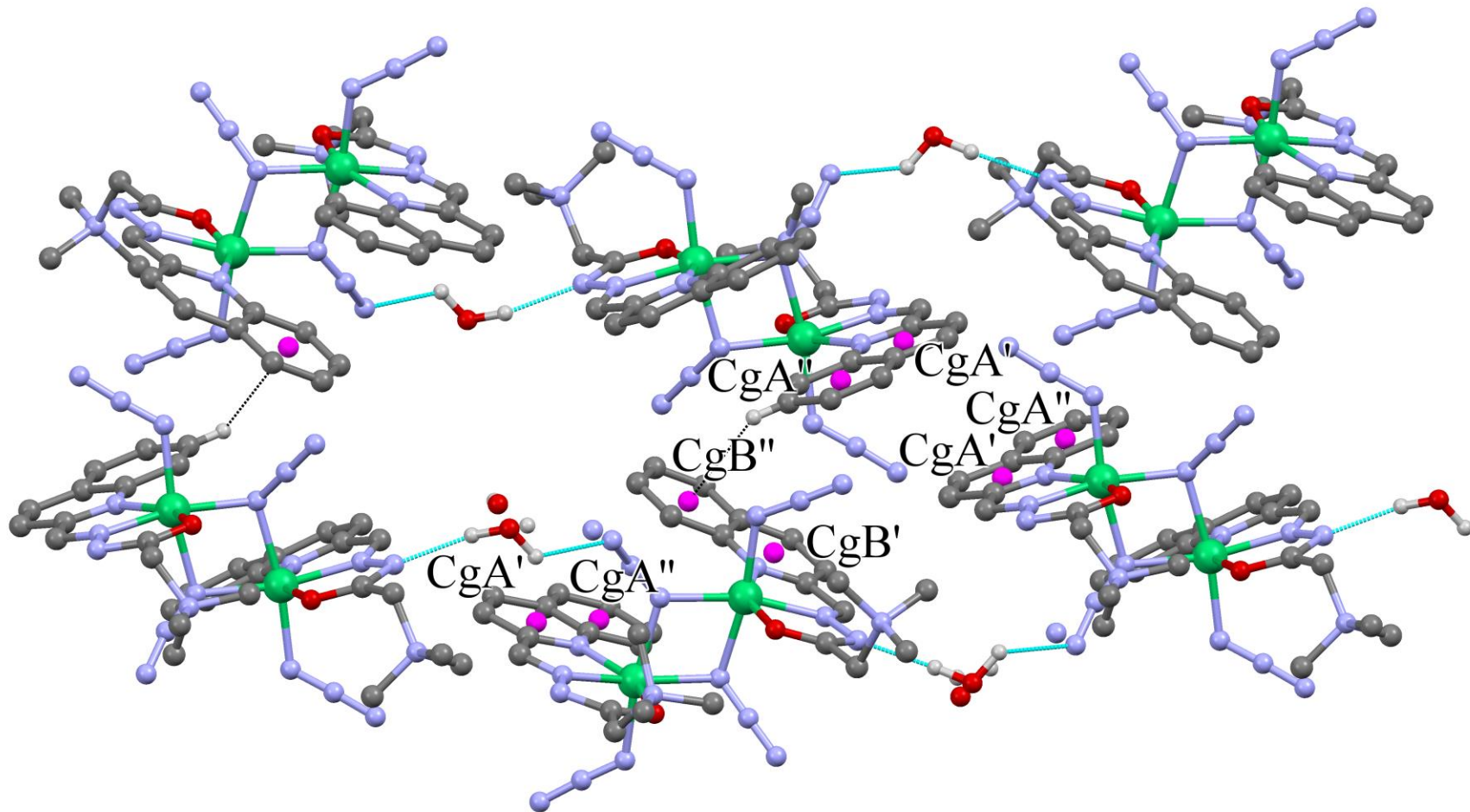
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Functional	Spin state	Ni1A–N4Z	N4Z–Ni1B	Ni1B–N1Z	N1Z–Ni1A	Ni1A–N4Z–Ni1B	Ni1A–N1Z–Ni1B
B3LYP*	HS	2.2458	2.0915	2.1424	2.0901	98.8	102.3
	BS	2.2551	2.0925	2.1476	2.0945	98.9	102.4
B3LYP	HS	2.1457	2.0613	2.0984	2.1058	99.7	99.8
	BS	2.1520	2.0644	2.1033	2.1093	99.7	99.9
PBE0	HS	2.1084	2.0384	2.0832	2.0895	99.5	98.7
	BS	2.1129	2.0409	2.0873	2.0933	99.5	98.7
TPSSh	HS	2.1760	2.0558	2.1043	2.0554	99.1	101.5
	BS	2.1829	2.0585	2.1090	2.0588	99.1	101.6
Experimental data XRD		2.1400(19)	2.0819(18)	2.1339(18)	2.0851(17)	102.01(8)	102.11(7)

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Functional	Spin state	Spin density Ni1A/atomic charge	Spin density Ni1B/atomic charge	Spin density N1Z/atomic charge	Spin density N4Z/atomic charge
B3LYP*	HS	1.629/1.36	1.653/1.372	0.025/-0.764	0.015/-0.726
	LS	1.633/1.361	-1.656/1.372	-0.012/-0.764	0.000/-0.725
B3LYP	HS	1.673/1.38	1.700/1.402	0.026/-0.801	0.022/-0.781
	LS	1.678/1.381	-1.705/1.403	-0.014/-0.802	-0.003/-0.782
PBE0	HS	1.708/1.426	1.733/1.451	0.015/-0.850	0.015/-0.833
	LS	1.714/1.427	-1.739/1.452	-0.011/-0.851	-0.002/-0.834
TPSSh	HS	1.617/1.409	1.640/1.416	0.019/-0.821	0.011/-0.794
	LS	1.622/1.409	-1.644/1.416	-0.011/-0.822	0.001/-0.795





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