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# **Metal Controlled Anion Binding Tendencies of the Thiourea Unit of Thiosemicarbazones**

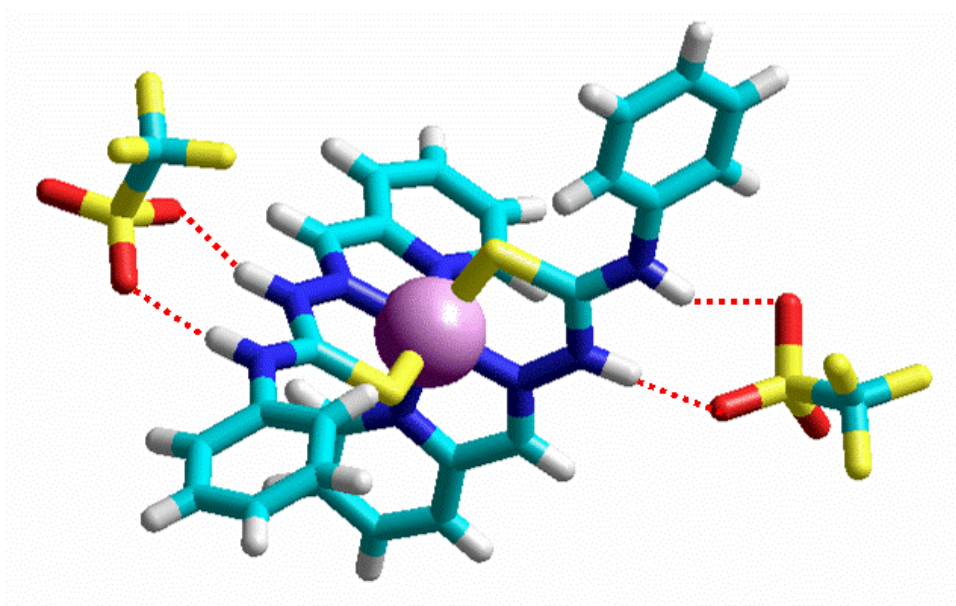
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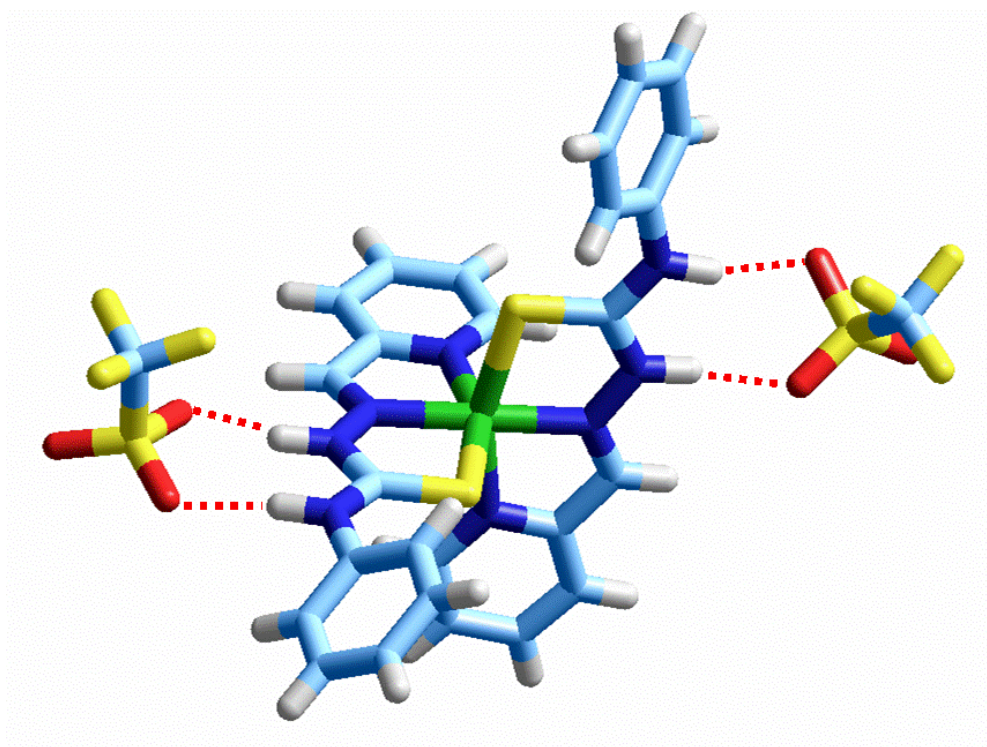
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## **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

**Information on crystallographic data:** CCDC 685928 and 685929 contain the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper. These data can be obtained free of charge via [www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/conts/retrieving.html](http://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/conts/retrieving.html) (or from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre, 12 Union Road, Cambridge CB21EZ, UK; fax: (+44) 1223-336-033; or e-mail: [deposit@ccdc.cam.ac.uk](mailto:deposit@ccdc.cam.ac.uk)).



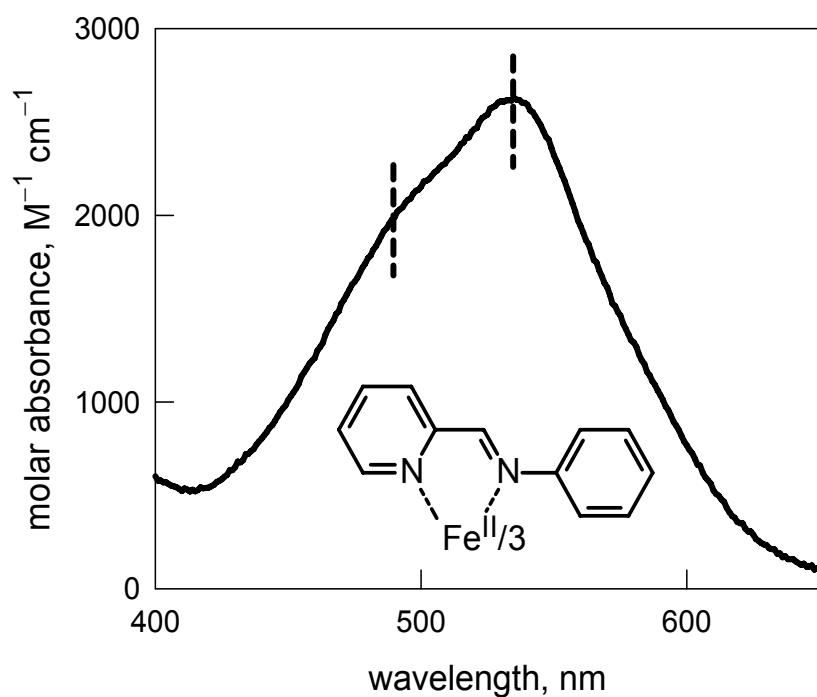
**Figure S1.** Bifurcate hydrogen bonding interactions between triflate ions and the thiourea subunits of the crystalline complex salt  $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\mathbf{3})_2](\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3)_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ . The water molecule has been omitted in the Figure.



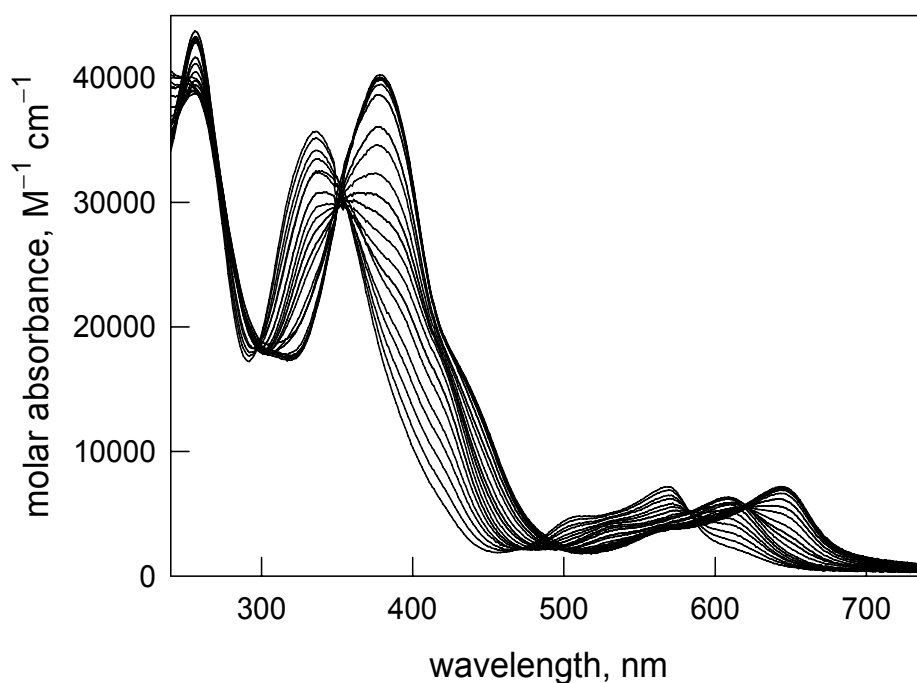
**Figure S2.** Bifurcate hydrogen bonding interactions between triflate ions and the thiourea subunits of the crystalline complex salt  $[\text{Ni}^{\text{II}}(\mathbf{3})_2](\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3)_2 \cdot \text{MeCN}$ . The MeCNr molecule has been omitted in the Figure.



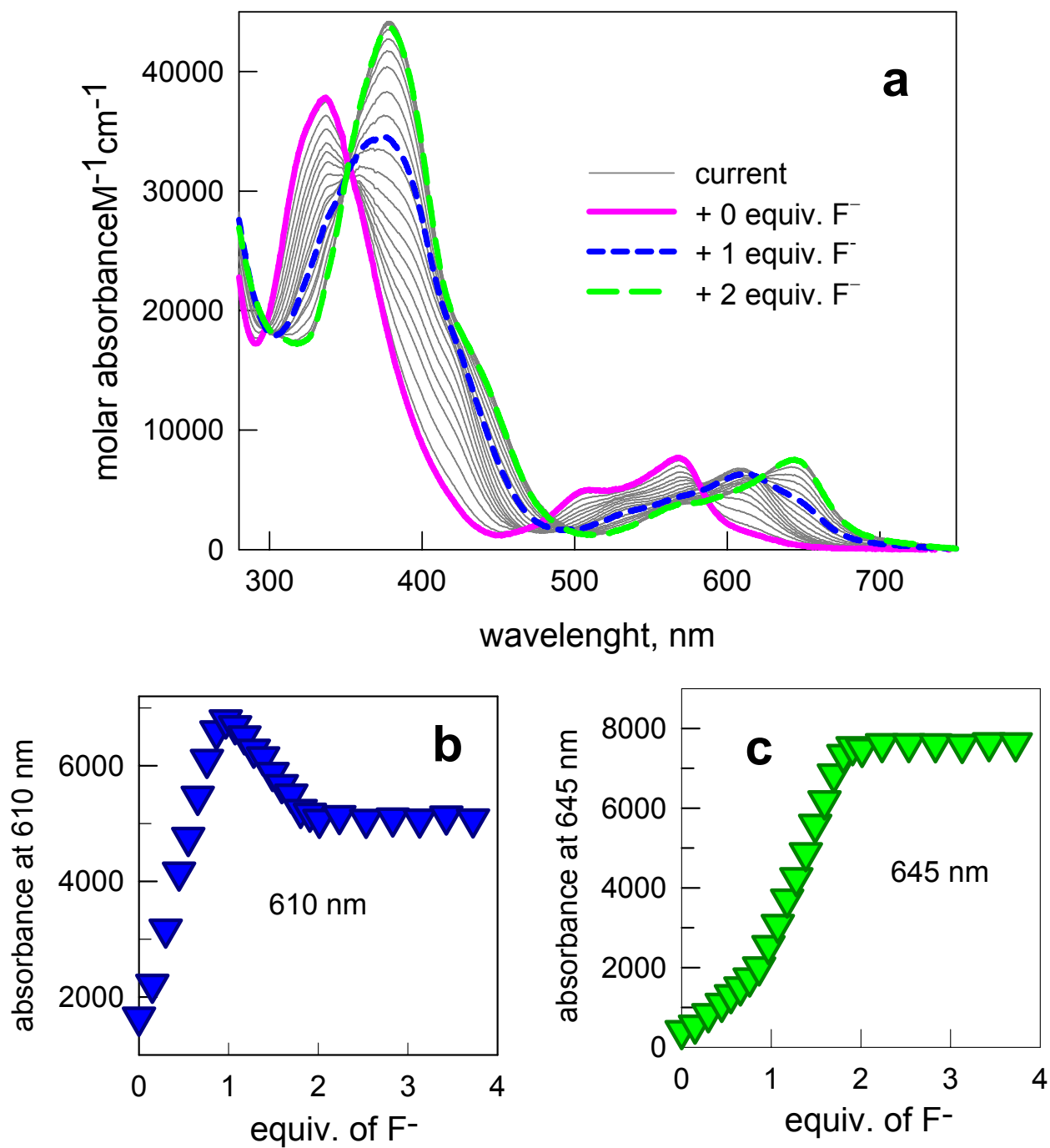
**Figure S3.** Colours of  $\text{CHCl}_3$  solution  $5 \times 10^{-5}$  M of  $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\text{LH})_2]^{2+}$  complex after the addition of 0, 1, 2 equiv. of Proton Sponge<sup>®</sup>, **13** (from left); LH = **3**.



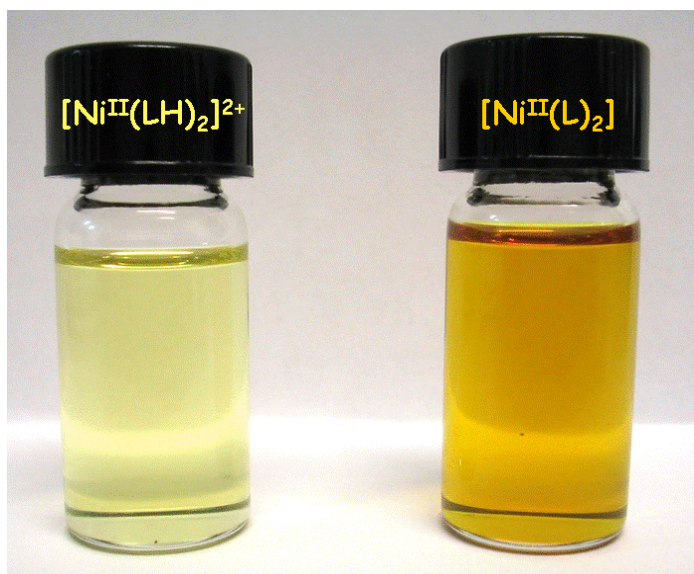
**Figure S4.** MLCT spectrum of the 1:3 complex of  $\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}$  with N-phenyl-pyridine-2-yleneamine. MeCN solution  $1.13 \times 10^{-4}$  M in the complex.



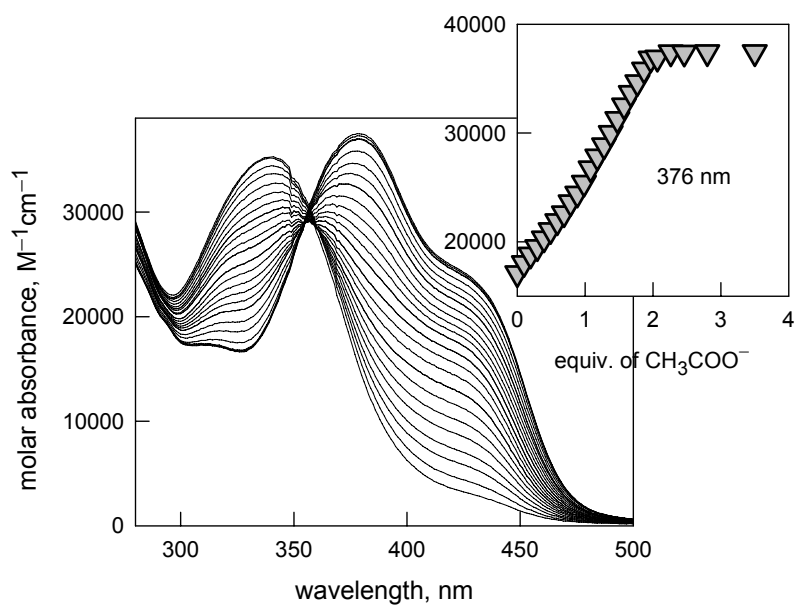
**Figure S5.** Spectra obtained over the course of the titration of a  $1.01 \times 10^{-4}$  M solution of  $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\mathbf{3})_2]^{2+}$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$  with a solution of  $[\text{Bu}_4\text{N}]\text{NO}_2$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$  ( $\text{LH} = \mathbf{3}$ ).



**Figure S6.** (a) Spectra obtained over the course of the titration of a  $1.06 \times 10^{-4}$  M solution of  $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\mathbf{3})_2]^{2+}$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$  with a solution  $1.58 \times 10^{-2}$  M  $[\text{Bu}_4\text{N}]\text{F} \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$  ( $\text{LH} = \mathbf{3}$ ); (b) titration profile on the lower energy MLCT band, corresponding to the  $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\text{LH})(\text{L})]^+$  species; (c) titration profile on the lower energy MLCT band, corresponding to the  $[\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}(\text{L})_2]$  species.



**Figure S7.** Colours of a  $\text{CHCl}_3$  solution  $5 \times 10^{-5}$  M of  $[\text{Ni}^{\text{II}}(\text{LH})_2]^{2+}$  complex before (left) and after (right) the addition 2 equiv. of Proton Sponge®; LH = **3**.



**Figure S8.** (a) spectra obtained over the course of the titration of a  $1.22 \times 10^{-4}$  M solution of  $[\text{Ni}^{\text{II}}(\text{LH})_2]^{2+}$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$  with a solution  $1.20 \times 10^{-2}$  M of  $[\text{Bu}_4\text{N}]\text{CH}_3\text{COO}$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$  (LH = **3**); inset: titration profile at 376 nm.

**Table S1.** Selected bond lengths (Å) and bond angles (°) around the metal center (Me) in the Fe<sup>II</sup> and Ni<sup>II</sup> molecular complexes of **3**.  $\delta$  is the difference of corresponding bond distances in the Ni<sup>II</sup> and Fe<sup>II</sup> complexes.

	[Fe <sup>II</sup> ( <b>3</b> ) <sub>2</sub> ](CF <sub>3</sub> SO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ·H <sub>2</sub> O	[Ni <sup>II</sup> ( <b>3</b> ) <sub>2</sub> ](CF <sub>3</sub> SO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ·MeCN	$\delta$
Me–N(1)	1.896(21)	2.005(3) 0.11	0.11
Me–N(2)	1.971(22)	2.105(3) 0.14	0.14
Me–N(5)	1.878(19)	2.007(2) 0.13	0.13
Me–N(6)	1.974(21)	2.119(3) 0.15	0.15
Me–S(1)	2.283(8)	2.402(1) 0.12	0.12
Me–S(2)	2.301(7)	2.431(1) 0.13	0.13
N(1)–Me–N(2)	80.6(10)	78.1(1)	
N(1)–Me–N(6)	97.7(9)	97.2(1)	
N(1)–Me–S(1)	84.8(8)	82.3(1)	
N(1)–Me–S(2)	96.8(7)	102.9(1)	
N(2)–Me–N(5)	97.4(9)	99.2(1)	
N(2)–Me–N(6)	90.0(9)	89.2(1)	
N(2)–Me–S(2)	91.1(6)	91.7(1)	
N(5)–Me–N(6)	80.7(9)	78.3(1)	
N(5)–Me–S(1)	97.2(6)	100.2(1)	
N(5)–Me–S(2)	84.8(6)	81.5(1)	
N(6)–Me–S(1)	90.6(7)	92.3(1)	
S(1)–Me–S(2)	91.9(3)	93.7(1)	