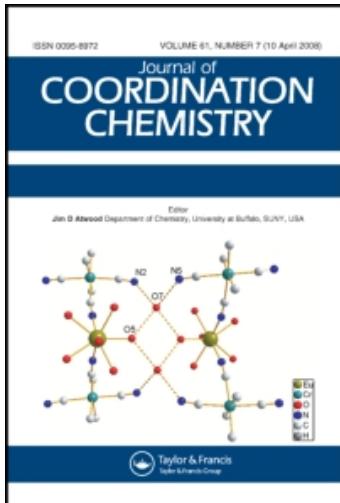


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Two ion pair complexes, [Ru(bpy)₃]₂[Fe(CN)₆]I · 7H₂O (**1**) and [Ru(bpy)₃][Fe(CN)₅NO](CH₃OH) · H₂O (**2**) (bpy = 2,2-bipyridine) have been synthesized and structurally characterized. X-Ray crystallographic structures of **1** and **2** both show Fe(III) and Ru(II) in distorted octahedral environments. In both complexes, H-bonding interactions between an uncoordinated water molecule and the nitrogen atom of a cyano group exist.

Keywords: Crystal structures; Ruthenium(II); H-bonding

INTRODUCTION

The photophysical properties of [Ru(bpy)₃]²⁺ have been studied intensively during the past four decades [1–8]. It has been found that excited states of [Ru(bpy)₃]²⁺ and other related complexes, having relatively long lifetimes, can be quenched by energy transfer, complex formation, and electron transfer processes. Ayersin *et al.* reported a radiationless energy transfer from [Ru(bpy)₃]²⁺ to [Os(bpy)₃]²⁺ in a crystal of [Ru(bpy)₃]X₂ containing [Os(bpy)₃]²⁺ [4]. Intermolecular energy-transfer in a salt composed of ruthenium (II) and chromium(III) has been investigated [9]. Electron-transfer quenching in [Ru(bpy)₃]₂[M(CN)₆]Cl · 8H₂O (M = Co³⁺ or Fe³⁺) was also reported by Ikeda and Ohno [10]. An energy-transfer reaction from ruthenium(II) to osmium(II) in a mixed crystal, {Δ-[Ru(phen)₃]}/{Δ-[Os(phen)₃])(PF₆)₄} (phen = 1,10-phenanthroline) was also reported. In addition, metal cyanide compounds have also attracted great attention because of their remarkable magnetic, magneto-optical and optoelectronic properties [11]. However, bimetallic compounds containing both [Ru(bpy)₃]²⁺ and [M(CN)₆]⁻⁽⁶⁻ⁿ⁾ or [M(CN)₅NO]⁻⁽⁵⁻ⁿ⁾ are important for quantitative studies of the rate

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of electron transfer which an excited ion undergoes with its neighboring ion in ion pair compounds [9,10,12]. Focusing our interests on the compounds of this kind, we have synthesized two novel ion pair compounds, $[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_3]_2[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]\text{I} \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (**1**) and $[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_3][\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_5\text{NO}](\text{CH}_3\text{OH}) \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (**2**). They have been characterized and their structures determined.

EXPERIMENTAL

Materials and Synthesis

All starting materials were of analytical grade and purchased from Tianjin Chemical Company. $[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_3]\text{I}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ was prepared by a literature method [13].

[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_3]_2[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]\text{I} \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}, 1

A solution of 32.9 mg (0.1 mmol) of $\text{K}_3[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]$ in 10 mL of water was added dropwise to a stirred solution of 170.4 mg (0.2 mmol) of $[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_3]\text{I}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ in 40 mL $\text{H}_2\text{O}/\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$ (3 : 1). Single crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction studies were obtained by slow evaporation of the resulting solution at room temperature. Yield: 134.6 mg (84%). *Anal.* Calcd (found) for $\text{C}_{66}\text{H}_{60}\text{FeN}_{18}\text{O}_7\text{Ru}$ (%): C, 49.41 (49.43); H, 3.93 (3.74); N, 15.58 (15.72).

[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_3][\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_5\text{NO}]\text{CH}_3\text{OH} \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}, 2

The complex was synthesized as described for **1**, with $\text{K}_3[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_5\text{NO}] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ instead of $\text{K}_3[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]$. Yield: 121.75 mg (76%). *Anal.* Calcd (found) for $\text{C}_{36}\text{H}_{33}\text{FeN}_{12}\text{O}_5\text{Ru}$ (%): C, 49.22 (49.61); H, 3.59 (3.79); N, 18.93 (19.29).

Physical Measurements

IR spectra were recorded in KBr discs on a Shimadzu IR-408 infrared spectrophotometer in the 4000–600 cm^{-1} region. Elemental analyses were carried out using a Perkin-Elmer model 240 instrument.

X-ray Crystallography

Two selected crystals of dimensions 0.30 mm × 0.25 mm × 0.20 mm were sealed in two Lindemann capillaries. Determination of the unit cell constants and data collection was performed on a Bruker Smart 1000 area detector diffractometer using graphite-monochromatized Mo-K α radiation ($\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$) at 293(2) K. An ω -2 θ scan mode was employed for data collection in the range $1.71 \leq \theta \leq 23.32^\circ$ for Complex **1** and $1.63 \leq \theta \leq 23.29^\circ$ Complex **2**. A total of 9974 [$R_{\text{int}} = 0.0786$] independent reflections for **1** were collected, of which 6262 [$I > 2\sigma(I)$] were considered to be observed and used in the succeeding structure determination and refinement. A total of 13053 [$R_{\text{int}} = 0.1000$] independent reflections for **2** were collected from which 5519 [$I > 2\sigma(I)$] of which to be considered observed and used in the succeeding structure determination and refinement. Empirical absorption corrections were applied using

the SADABS program [14]. The structures were solved by direct methods and successive Fourier difference syntheses and refined by full-matrix least-squares procedures on F^2 with anisotropic thermal parameters for all nonhydrogen atoms [15]. Hydrogen atoms were positioned geometrically and refined isotropically. Final atomic coordinates for all nonhydrogen atoms and equivalent thermal parameters are given in Table I for Complex **1** and Table II for Complex **2**.

TABLE I Atomic coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for Compound **1**

	x/a	y/b	z/c	U_{eq}
Ru(1)	993(1)	3254(1)	3249(1)	32(1)
Ru(2)	995(1)	6623(1)	3131(1)	31(1)
Fe(1)	5887(3)	4968(1)	680(2)	31(1)
I(1)	-128(1)	6729(1)	5588(1)	59(1)
N(1)	-312(11)	3342(7)	3787(6)	30(4)
N(2)	143(13)	3841(6)	2738(6)	31(4)
N(3)	1770(12)	3910(6)	3688(6)	32(4)
N(4)	2314(11)	3305(7)	2708(5)	33(4)
N(5)	1615(11)	2623(6)	3811(7)	31(4)
N(6)	478(11)	2541(6)	2794(6)	31(4)
N(7)	62(13)	6054(6)	3618(6)	31(4)
N(8)	-322(12)	6529(7)	2549(7)	42(5)
N(9)	401(12)	7344(6)	3562(7)	34(4)
N(10)	1616(12)	7251(7)	2599(7)	38(4)
N(11)	2237(11)	6572(6)	3178(6)	28(4)
N(12)	1779(13)	5965(7)	2719(7)	41(5)
N(13)	5839(14)	4817(9)	-707(8)	56(6)
N(14)	5616(16)	6256(8)	612(9)	66(6)
N(15)	3506(17)	4816(9)	700(8)	60(6)
N(16)	5928(17)	5103(9)	2073(9)	76(7)
N(17)	5959(16)	3705(8)	784(9)	63(6)
N(18)	8246(16)	5169(8)	662(9)	65(6)
C(1)	-508(16)	3098(9)	4341(8)	42(6)
C(2)	-1310(16)	3226(10)	4718(10)	48(6)
C(3)	-2013(19)	3622(10)	4523(9)	54(7)
C(4)	-1848(17)	3873(10)	3928(10)	55(7)
C(5)	-1016(17)	3757(9)	3585(8)	42(6)
C(6)	-804(15)	3992(8)	2972(8)	30(5)
C(7)	-1460(16)	4350(8)	2668(9)	42(5)
C(8)	-1189(19)	4565(9)	2104(10)	51(7)
C(9)	-280(20)	4447(8)	1882(10)	53(7)
C(10)	392(17)	4076(8)	2185(8)	40(5)
C(11)	1488(18)	4203(9)	4195(9)	48(6)
C(12)	2120(20)	4573(11)	4496(12)	68(8)
C(13)	3070(20)	4694(9)	4249(9)	48(7)
C(14)	3380(17)	4431(9)	3733(9)	52(6)
C(15)	2734(17)	4038(9)	3456(8)	38(5)
C(16)	2995(14)	3732(8)	2881(8)	32(5)
C(17)	3867(14)	3841(9)	2525(9)	40(6)
C(18)	4043(17)	3575(10)	1991(10)	48(6)
C(19)	3341(19)	3147(10)	1823(8)	52(7)
C(20)	2495(17)	3026(9)	2171(9)	45(6)
C(21)	2105(16)	2701(10)	4346(9)	57(6)
C(22)	2405(17)	2247(12)	4736(10)	66(8)
C(23)	2127(17)	1732(12)	4561(10)	56(7)
C(24)	1647(19)	1623(9)	4023(11)	66(8)
C(25)	1361(15)	2079(9)	3634(8)	40(5)

(continued)

TABLE I Continued

	<i>x/a</i>	<i>y/b</i>	<i>z/c</i>	<i>U</i> _{eq}
C(26)	785(15)	2020(8)	3037(9)	38(6)
C(27)	592(18)	1522(9)	2718(11)	61(7)
C(28)	166(18)	1496(10)	2152(10)	57(7)
C(29)	-131(17)	2030(10)	1920(10)	56(7)
C(30)	-25(16)	2530(9)	2251(9)	45(6)
C(31)	302(16)	5828(7)	4190(7)	33(5)
C(32)	-420(20)	5482(9)	4488(12)	59(7)
C(33)	-1320(20)	5329(10)	4213(10)	55(7)
C(34)	-1548(17)	5536(8)	3630(9)	46(6)
C(35)	-837(16)	5900(8)	3344(8)	33(5)
C(36)	-1040(16)	6140(8)	2730(8)	34(5)
C(37)	-1855(17)	6001(10)	2349(10)	56(7)
C(38)	-2061(19)	6251(10)	1772(10)	59(7)
C(39)	-1313(18)	6642(11)	1602(9)	59(7)
C(40)	-475(16)	6787(10)	1986(8)	44(5)
C(41)	-124(16)	7356(9)	4090(9)	45(6)
C(42)	-255(18)	7889(12)	4407(11)	64(8)
C(43)	140(20)	8387(10)	4161(9)	66(8)
C(44)	611(15)	8360(8)	3636(9)	48(6)
C(45)	760(15)	7842(9)	3328(10)	40(6)
C(46)	1409(17)	7783(10)	2757(9)	49(6)
C(47)	1729(16)	8237(9)	2409(11)	54(6)
C(48)	2250(20)	8189(13)	1875(11)	69(8)
C(49)	2492(15)	7613(11)	1718(9)	59(7)
C(50)	2170(16)	7166(10)	2085(8)	49(6)
C(51)	2397(17)	6867(10)	4254(9)	44(6)
C(52)	3259(16)	6750(10)	4639(9)	46(6)
C(53)	3951(17)	6348(10)	4472(11)	54(7)
C(54)	3827(16)	6064(9)	3924(9)	42(6)
C(55)	2962(15)	6189(8)	3556(8)	34(5)
C(56)	2749(16)	5868(8)	2988(8)	33(5)
C(57)	3408(15)	5506(9)	2673(10)	52(7)
C(58)	3190(20)	5218(10)	2145(10)	55(7)
C(59)	2164(19)	5314(9)	1932(10)	50(7)
C(60)	1529(17)	5676(9)	2241(8)	46(6)
C(61)	5859(16)	4886(9)	-196(9)	36(5)
C(62)	5740(17)	5774(9)	614(9)	44(6)
C(63)	4410(20)	4879(9)	701(10)	46(7)
C(64)	5915(16)	5048(9)	1553(9)	41(6)
C(65)	5992(18)	4192(9)	762(10)	41(6)
C(66)	7408(19)	5094(8)	687(9)	37(6)
O(1)	5021(14)	2567(5)	708(8)	63(5)
O(2)	1436(11)	4506(6)	640(7)	63(4)
O(3)	6933(12)	2734(7)	5693(8)	80(5)
O(4)	6078(16)	4599(5)	3201(8)	72(5)
O(5)	10305(10)	5548(6)	734(8)	72(5)
O(6)	1219(11)	6574(6)	670(8)	82(5)
O(7)	3307(14)	6215(8)	730(11)	136(8)

Crystal Data

[Ru(bpy)₃]₂[Fe(CN)₆]I · 7H₂O (**1**), *M* = 1602.21, monoclinic, *P*2₁/*c*, *a* = 11.178(3), *b* = 14.824(4), *c* = 23.166(6) Å, β = 91.429(5)°, *V* = 6724(3) Å³, *Z* = 4, *F*(000) = 3200, *D*_c = 1.583 g cm⁻³, μ = 1.182 mm⁻¹; [Ru(bpy)₃][Fe(CN)₅NO](CH₃OH) · H₂O (**2**), *M* = 688.61, monoclinic, *C**c*, *a* = 12.959(4), *b* = 23.733(7), *c* = 21.828(6) Å, β = 91.429(5)°, *V* = 3358.7(14) Å³, *Z* = 4, *F*(000) = 1388, *D*_c = 1.362 g cm⁻³, μ = 0.966 mm⁻¹.

TABLE II Atomic coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for Compound 2

	<i>x/a</i>	<i>y/b</i>	<i>z/c</i>	<i>U</i> _{eq}
Ru(1)	819(1)	6976(1)	1731(1)	34(1)
Fe(1)	4498(1)	6474(1)	4161(1)	38(1)
N(1)	-269(6)	7305(4)	2406(3)	38(2)
N(2)	-623(6)	6128(5)	1577(3)	43(2)
N(3)	1676(6)	5897(4)	2117(3)	37(2)
N(4)	1867(5)	6519(4)	1070(3)	36(2)
N(5)	2138(5)	7897(4)	1919(3)	34(2)
N(6)	203(5)	8098(5)	1285(2)	33(2)
N(7)	1858(7)	6842(5)	3838(3)	64(2)
N(8)	4977(6)	6322(5)	2858(3)	50(2)
N(9)	4990(7)	8509(6)	3992(3)	64(2)
N(10)	7213(7)	6222(5)	4336(3)	60(2)
N(11)	4105(7)	4431(5)	4062(3)	59(2)
N(12)	4165(6)	6487(5)	4848(3)	46(2)
C(1)	-15(7)	7918(6)	2818(3)	44(2)
C(2)	-799(10)	8113(6)	3259(4)	61(3)
C(3)	-1863(10)	7672(7)	3270(5)	71(3)
C(4)	-2132(8)	7051(7)	2863(4)	61(3)
C(5)	-1336(7)	6872(6)	2416(4)	46(2)
C(6)	-1529(8)	6199(6)	1969(4)	47(2)
C(7)	-2533(9)	5639(8)	1925(5)	76(3)
C(8)	-2615(10)	5007(8)	1503(5)	87(4)
C(9)	-1707(10)	4924(7)	1112(5)	83(4)
C(10)	-714(8)	5505(6)	1163(4)	59(3)
C(11)	1518(7)	5590(6)	2658(4)	44(2)
C(12)	2133(8)	4863(6)	2885(4)	52(3)
C(13)	2939(7)	4427(6)	2559(4)	50(2)
C(14)	3146(7)	4724(6)	1999(4)	42(2)
C(15)	2503(7)	5454(6)	1790(3)	35(2)
C(16)	2609(7)	5800(5)	1194(3)	36(2)
C(17)	3391(7)	5465(6)	796(4)	50(3)
C(18)	3415(8)	5835(6)	257(4)	56(3)
C(19)	2669(8)	6529(6)	114(3)	48(2)
C(20)	1902(7)	6841(6)	531(4)	46(2)
C(21)	3085(7)	7778(6)	2274(3)	42(2)
C(22)	3961(7)	8408(6)	2380(4)	49(2)
C(23)	3882(8)	9200(6)	2086(4)	60(3)
C(24)	2928(8)	9368(6)	1721(3)	45(2)
C(25)	2041(7)	8722(6)	1650(3)	34(2)
C(26)	937(7)	8828(6)	1293(3)	34(2)
C(27)	629(8)	9598(6)	993(4)	50(2)
C(28)	-453(8)	9637(6)	699(3)	49(2)
C(29)	-1206(8)	8906(6)	683(3)	45(2)
C(30)	-846(7)	8147(6)	981(3)	43(2)
C(31)	2867(8)	6696(6)	3941(3)	44(2)
C(32)	4799(7)	6385(5)	3345(4)	35(2)
C(33)	4800(8)	7762(6)	4068(4)	43(3)
C(34)	6210(8)	6306(6)	4269(3)	42(2)
C(35)	4269(7)	5195(6)	4104(4)	43(2)
C(36)	4658(12)	2105(9)	3711(6)	141(5)
O(1)	3845(6)	6448(5)	5313(3)	89(2)
O(2)	829(8)	1006(7)	5300(3)	156(4)
O(3)	9768(6)	7095(5)	4552(3)	98(2)
O(4)	3095(12)	1412(7)	4933(5)	229(6)
O(5)	3684(8)	2585(6)	3921(6)	192(6)

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

Spectroscopic Characterization

IR spectra of **1** and **2** exhibit bands expected for terminal CN stretching at 2110, 2050 cm⁻¹ (**1**) and 2140 cm⁻¹ (**2**) [16], and bands for 2,2-bipy at 1630, 1600, 1460 and 1420 cm⁻¹. Complex **2** displays an NO stretch at 1920 cm⁻¹ indicating an NO⁺ complex of iron(II) with extensive π bonding [17]. Studies focusing on ion pair charge transfer of the present compounds are in progress.

Description of the Structures

Perspective views of **1** and **2** are shown in Figs. 1 and 2, respectively. Complex **1** is comprised of [Ru(bpy)₃]²⁺ cations and [Fe(CN)₆]³⁻ anions, whose charge is balanced by one I⁻ ion. [Ru(bpy)₃]²⁺ and [Fe(CN)₆]³⁻ are approximately octahedral in Complex **1** and the average Ru(1)-N bond distance is 2.085 Å; Ru(2)-N is 2.087 Å, is longer than (2.056 Å) in [Ru(bpy)₃](PF₆) [18]. This bonding difference implies that the structure and excited-state behavior are different. The average Fe(1)-C distance in Complex **1** is 1.923 Å, which is normal. Complex **2** is comprised of [Ru(bpy)₃]²⁺ cations and [Fe(CN)₆]³⁻ anions. The average Ru(1)-N bond distance is 2.061 Å, similar to that in [Ru(bpy)₃](PF₆) and this has theoretical and photophysical significance. The average Fe(1)-C bond distance is 1.929 Å, and the Fe(1)-N(12) is 1.645 Å, which is normal.

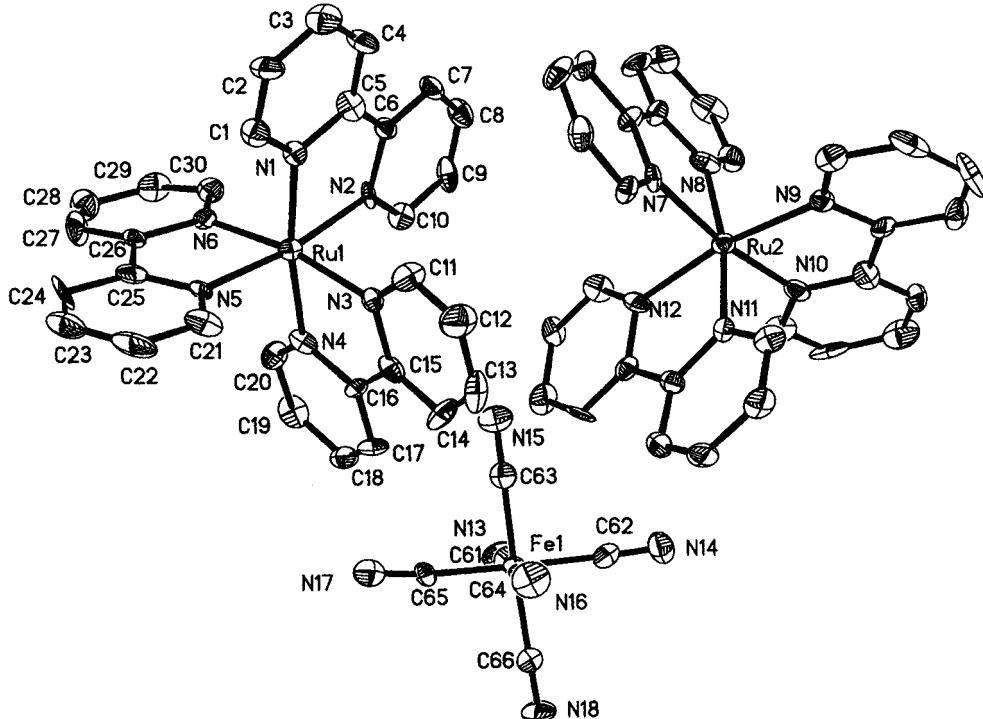


FIGURE 1 Perspective view of Complex **1** in labeling scheme.

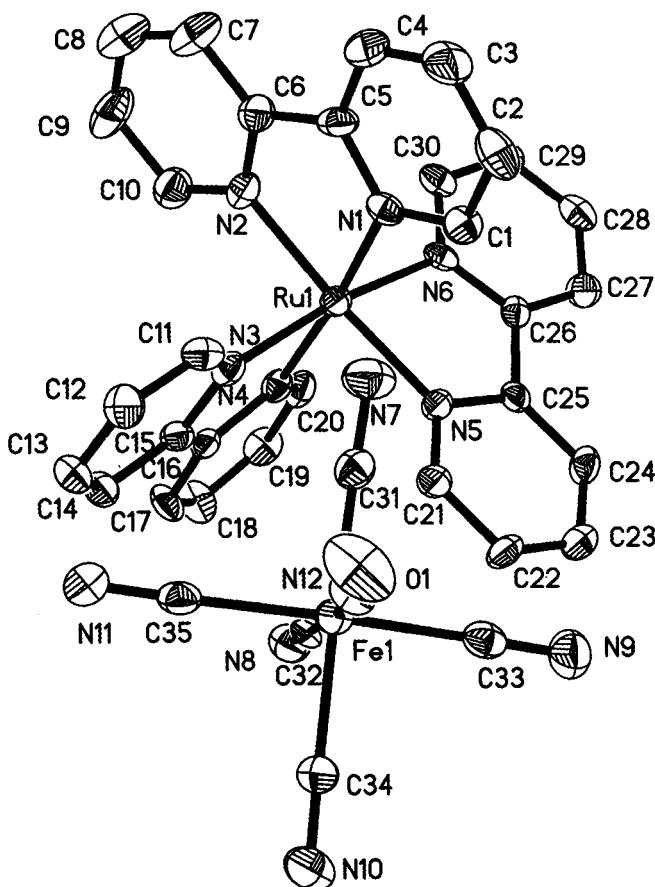


FIGURE 2 Perspective view of Complex 2 in labeling scheme.

TABLE III Selected bondlengths (\AA) and angles ($^\circ$) for Compound 1

Ru(1)-N(1)	2.081(14)	Ru(1)-N(2)	2.091(14)
Ru(2)-N(10)	2.082(16)	Ru(2)-N(9)	2.087(15)
Fe(1)-C(64)	1.91(2)	Fe(1)-C(61)	1.922(19)
Fe(1)-C(63)	1.92(3)	Fe(1)-C(62)	1.93(2)
N(6)-Ru(1)-N(1)	95.4(6)	N(6)-Ru(1)-N(3)	169.8(6)
N(1)-Ru(1)-N(2)	78.9(6)	N(3)-Ru(1)-N(2)	89.7(5)
N(2)-Ru(1)-N(5)	170.8(6)	N(5)-Ru(1)-N(4)	93.5(6)
N(7)-Ru(2)-N(10)	170.5(6)	N(7)-Ru(2)-N(8)	78.4(7)
N(10)-Ru(2)-N(8)	93.7(6)	N(7)-Ru(2)-N(9)	96.1(6)
N(7)-Ru(2)-N(12)	91.3(5)	N(10)-Ru(2)-N(12)	94.6(6)
C(65)-Fe(1)-C(64)	90.1(9)	C(64)-Fe(1)-C(61)	179.8(10)
C(65)-Fe(1)-C(63)	87.7(10)	C(61)-Fe(1)-C(63)	90.3(9)
C(65)-Fe(1)-C(62)	178.1(11)	C(65)-Fe(1)-C(66)	94.4(9)

In both complexes, O-H \cdots N hydrogen bonds between uncoordinated water molecules and CN or ON groups exist. In 1, a 2D network is formed by H-bonding and $[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_3]^{2+}$ is symmetrically located on both sides of the formal plane. Selected bond lengths and angles are presented in Table III for 1 and Table IV for 2, respectively.

TABLE IV Selected bondlengths (\AA) and angles ($^\circ$) for compound 2

Ru(1)–N(3)	2.058(6)	Ru(1)–N(4)	2.065(6)
Ru(1)–N(1)	2.063(6)	Ru(1)–N(2)	2.068(7)
Fe(1)–N(12)	1.645(7)	Fe(1)–C(31)	1.909(9)
Fe(1)–C(33)	1.952(10)	Fe(1)–C(34)	1.940(9)
N(5)–Ru(1)–N(3)	95.8(2)	N(5)–Ru(1)–N(4)	87.5(2)
N(3)–Ru(1)–N(4)	78.5(3)	N(4)–Ru(1)–N(1)	174.5(3)
N(1)–Ru(1)–N(6)	89.6(2)	N(6)–Ru(1)–N(2)	98.9(3)
N(12)–Fe(1)–C(35)	92.6(4)	N(12)–Fe(1)–C(32)	175.6(3)
C(35)–Fe(1)–C(32)	83.8(3)	C(31)–Fe(1)–C(32)	86.5(3)
C(32)–Fe(1)–C(33)	85.7(3)	N(12)–Fe(1)–C(34)	97.0(3)
C(35)–Fe(1)–C(34)	90.7(4)	C(31)–Fe(1)–C(34)	171.6(3)

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