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## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Title: Magnetic Coupling and Anisotropy in a Series of Mixed Chain Charge-Transfer Salts $\left[\mathrm{M}\left(\mathrm{Cp}^{*}\right)_{2}\right]\left[\mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\mathrm{tds})_{2}\right]$ (M $=\mathrm{Fe}, \mathrm{Mn}, \mathrm{Cr} ; \mathrm{M}^{\prime}=\mathrm{Ni}, \mathrm{Pt}$ )
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The $\mathrm{MM}^{\prime}$ intrachain distances, $\mathrm{D}_{\mathrm{MM}^{\prime}}$, the angles between the stacking axis and the Cp rings, $\xi_{\mathrm{D}}$, and the acceptors plane, $\xi_{A}$, as well as the dihedral angle between the Cp rings and the acceptors planes, $\zeta$, are summarized in Table 1SP for compounds 1-6.

Table S1. Summary of the interatomic separations and angles in the mixed stacks of compounds 1-6.

|  | $\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{M}^{\prime}(\AA)^{[\mathrm{a}]}$ | $\xi_{\mathrm{D}}\left(^{\mathrm{o}}\right)^{[\mathrm{b}]}$ | $\xi_{\mathrm{A}}\left({ }^{( }\right)^{[\mathrm{cc}]}$ | $\zeta\left(^{\circ}\right)^{[\mathrm{dd}]}$ | $\mathrm{M}^{\prime}-\mathrm{C}(\AA) ; q^{[\mathrm{e}]}$ | $\mathrm{M}^{\prime}-<\mathrm{C}>(\AA) ; q^{[\mathrm{f}]}$ | $\mathrm{Se}-\mathrm{C}(\AA) ; q^{[\mathrm{g}]}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{1}^{[\mathrm{h}]}$ | 5.566 | 81.3 | 80.5 | 2.2 | $3.844 ; 1.04$ | $3.891 ; 1.05$ | $3.846 ; 1.07$ |
| $\mathbf{2}^{[\mathrm{h}]}$ | 5.569 | 81.0 | 80.3 | 3.1 | $3.826 ; 0.98$ | $3.891 ; 1.00$ | $3.878 ; 1.08$ |
| $\mathbf{3}$ | 5.590 | 81.5 | 80.7 | 2.5 | $3.803 ; 1.02$ | $3.870 ; 1.05$ | $3.833 ; 1.06$ |
| $\mathbf{4}$ | 5.611 | 81.0 | 80.4 | 2.2 | $3.813 ; 0.98$ | $3.883 ; 1.00$ | $3.866 ; 1.07$ |
| $\mathbf{5}$ | 5.659 | 81.8 | 80.7 | 2.3 | $3.810 ; 1.03$ | $3.854 ; 1.04$ | $3.827 ; 1.06$ |
| $\mathbf{6}$ | 5.677 | 81.0 | 81.6 | 0.5 | $3.781 ; 0.97$ | $3.906 ; 1.00$ | $3.914 ; 1.09$ |

[a] M-M' distance within the chain; [b] angle between the average plane of the Cp rings and the stacking axis; [c] angle between the average plane of the acceptors and the stacking axis; [d] dihedral angle between the average planes of the Cp rings and the acceptors; [e] shorter M'-C contact; [f] distance between M' and the Cp centroid; [g] closest separation between a Se atom from the acceptor and a C atom from the Cp ring; $[\mathrm{h}]$ from ref. [8].Table 2. Summary of the interatomic separations and angles in the mixed stacks of compounds $\mathbf{1 - 6}$.

The interchain separation, the closest $\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{M}\left(\mathrm{M}^{\prime}-\mathrm{M}^{\prime}\right), \mathrm{M}-\mathrm{M}^{\prime}$ and $\mathrm{Se}-\mathrm{Se}$ distances are summarized in Table 2SP for compounds 1-6.

Table S2. Summary of the interchain distances and selected interchain interatomic separations in compounds 1-6.

|  | $1^{[a]}$ | $2{ }^{[1]}$ | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{d}^{\text {I-II }}(\AA)^{[\mathrm{b}]}$ | 8.338 | 8.388 | 8.342 | 8.403 | 8.352 | 8.382 |
| $\mathrm{d}^{\text {l-III }}(\AA)^{[b]}$ | 10.898 | 11.002 | 10.875 | 10.983 | 10.859 | 10.842 |
| $\mathrm{d}^{\mathrm{l}-\mathrm{VV}}(\AA)^{[b]}$ | 9.953 | 9.958 | 9.936 | 9.957 | 9.935 | 9.868 |
| $\mathrm{MM}^{\text {I-II }}(\AA)^{[\mathrm{cc]}}$ | 8.059 | 8.606 | 8.582 | 8.614 | 8.580 | 8.568 |
| $\mathrm{MM}^{\text {I-III }}(\AA)^{[d]}$ | 9.059 | 9.148 | 9.077 | 9.189 | 9.135 | 9.282 |
| $\mathrm{MM}^{\text {[-III }}(\AA)^{[\mathrm{cc]}}$ | 12.097 | 12.218 | 12.107 | 12.249 | 12.165 | 12.311 |
| $\mathrm{MM}^{\text {I-IIII }}(\AA)^{[\mathrm{d}]}$ | 10.902 | 11.005 | 10.879 | 10.985 | 10.862 | 10.842 |
| $\mathrm{MM}^{\mathrm{I}-\mathrm{IV}}(\AA)^{[\mathrm{c}]}$ | 10.464 | 10.521 | 10.471 | 10.559 | 10.541 | 12.322 |
| $\mathrm{MM}^{\text {I-IV }}(\AA)^{[\mathrm{d}]}$ | 10.225 | 10.194 | 10.195 | 10.175 | 10.163 | 10.026 |
| $\mathbf{c}^{\mathrm{I}-\mathrm{II}}(\AA) ; q^{[\mathrm{e}]}$ | 4.582; 1.15 | 4.349; 1.09 | 4.574; 1.14 | 4.331; 1.08 | 4.568; 1.14 | 4.234; 1.06 |

[a] from ref. [8]; [b] interchain distance; [c] closest distance between the identical metallic elements in neighboring chains; [d] closest distance between the distinct metallic elements in neighboring chains; [e] shorter Se-Se contact in neighbouring chain (pair I-II).

