

Supporting Information

Three New Cu-Azido Polymers and Their Systematic Inter Conversion: Role of the Amount of the Blocking Amine on the Structural Diversity and Magnetic Behavior

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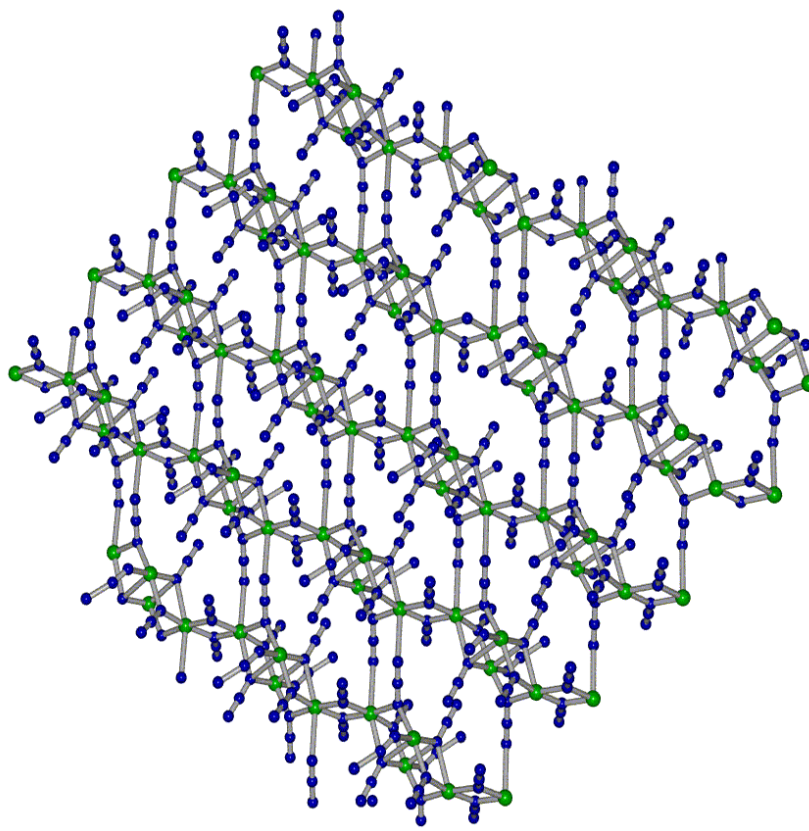


Fig. S1: View of the 2D sheet formed by the linking of the rail-road chain by 1,1,3 azido in complex-**1**.

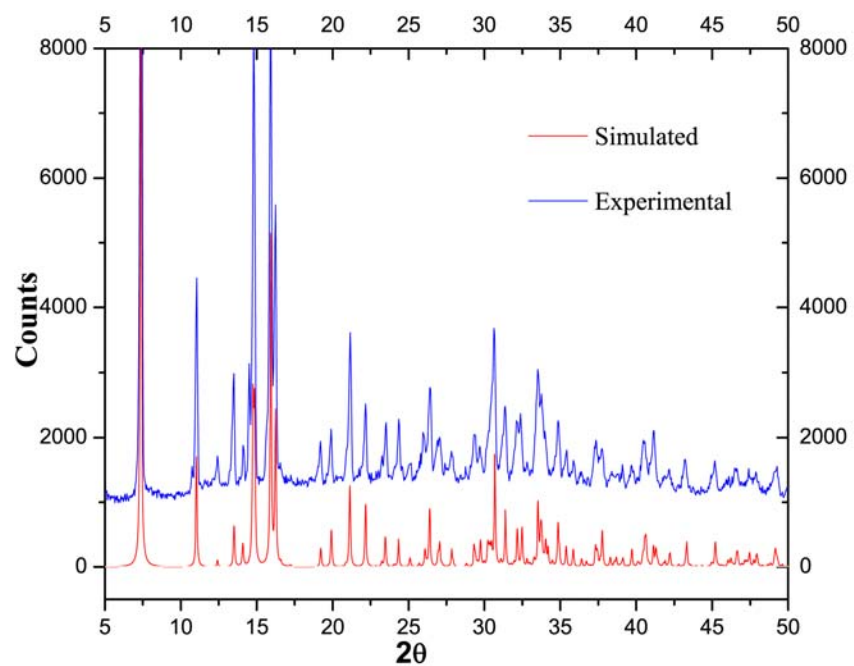


Fig. S2: Powder XRD pattern of the complex-1.

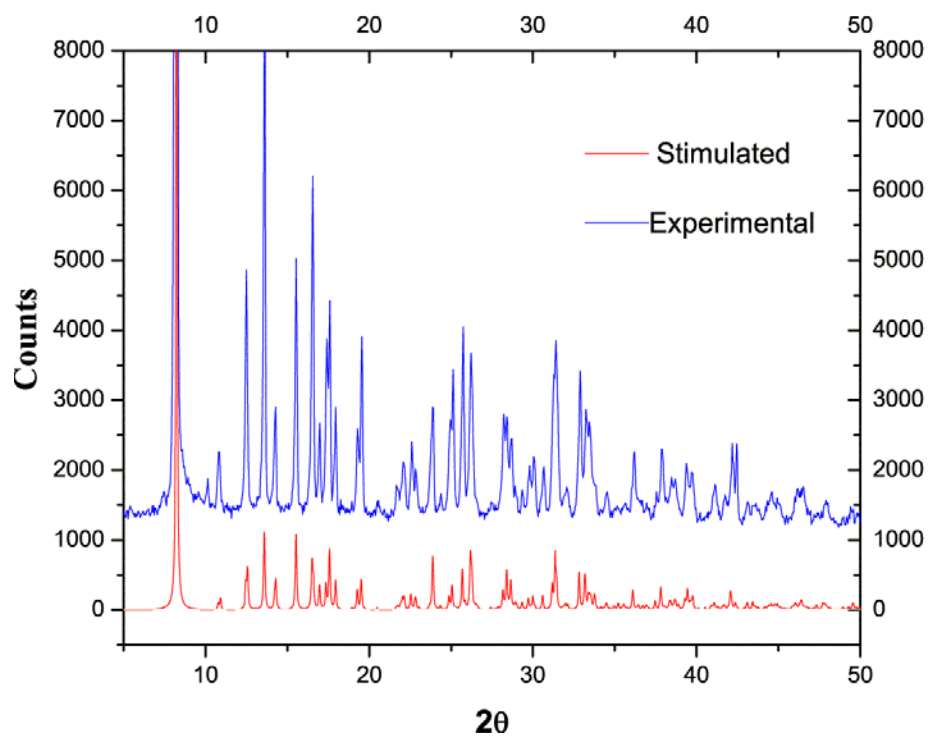


Fig. S3: Powder XRD pattern of the complex-2.

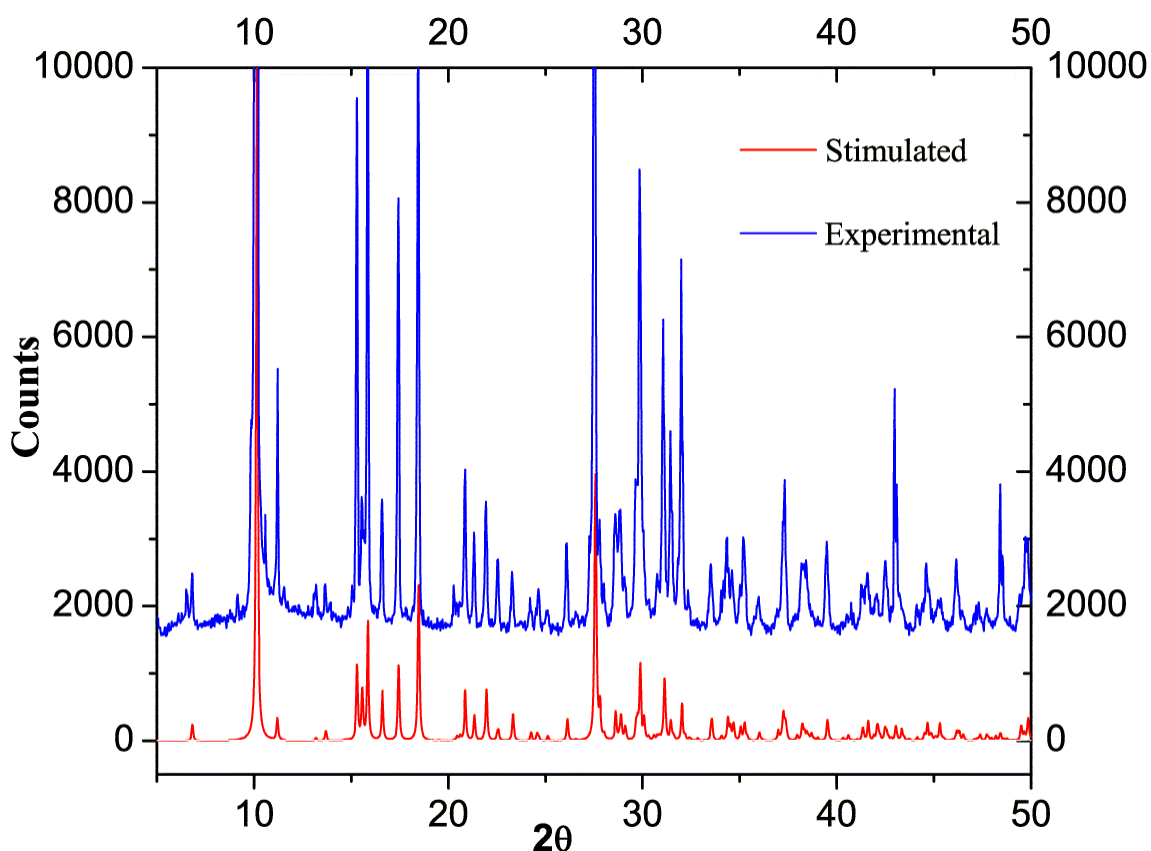


Fig. S4: Powder XRD pattern of the complex-3.

Magnetic analysis of **1**:

Since the main magnetic core (1D rail road core) of the complex **1** is nothing but a repetition of defect biscubane unit doubly connected by end-on azido group, thus Heisenberg spin Hamiltonian of the main magnetic unit can be written as

$$\mathbf{H} = -2J_1(\mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_2 + \mathbf{S}_3 \cdot \mathbf{S}_4 + \mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_3 + \mathbf{S}_2 \cdot \mathbf{S}_4) - 2J_2 \mathbf{S}_2 \cdot \mathbf{S}_3 - 2J_3 (\mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_4)$$

The molar magnetic susceptibility per four Cu(II) ion can be written as equation –1¹⁻² by applying Kambe's vector coupling method and the van Vleck equation. J_n are exchange coupling parameters (as shown in the following scheme).

$$\chi_M^{cluster} = \frac{N_A g^2 \mu_B^2}{2kT} \frac{A}{B} \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

Where A = [5exp(2J₁/kT)+ exp(-2J₂/kT)+ exp(-2J₃/kT)+ exp(-2J₁/kT)]

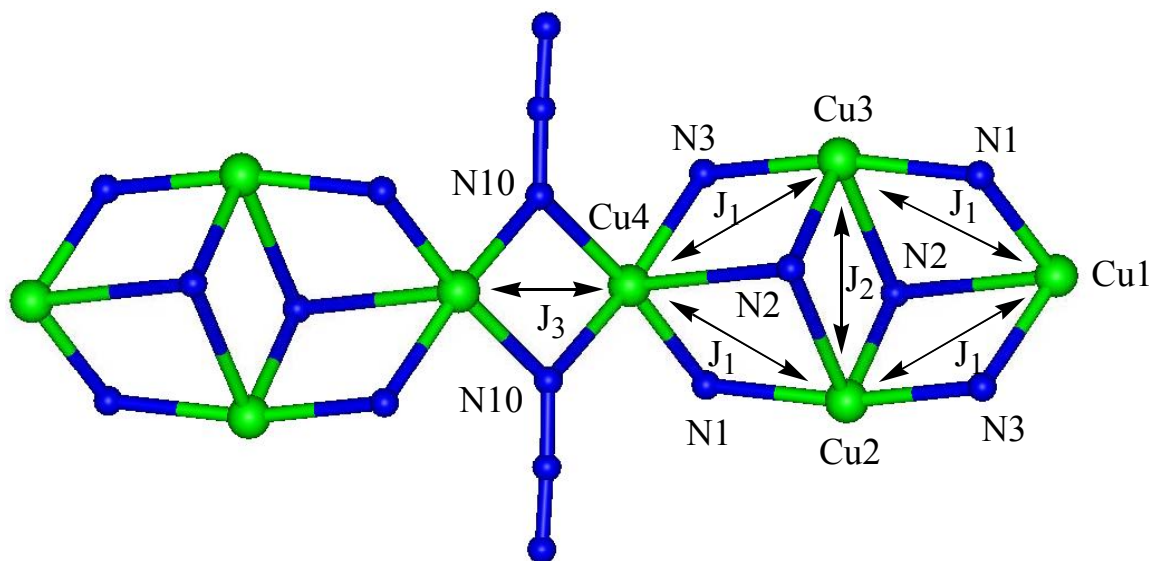
B = [5exp(2J₁/kT)+ 4exp(-2J₂/kT)+ 3exp(-2J₃/kT)+ exp{-2(J₁+J₃)/kT}
+ 3exp(-2J₁/kT)+ exp(-4J₁/kT)]

$$\chi_M^{inter-clust} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\chi_M^{cluster}} - \frac{2ZJ'}{N_A g^2 \mu_B^2}} \dots\dots(Y)$$

Molecular field approximation was used to determine the inter-cluster interaction.

Interaction between Cu(1) & Cu(2), Cu(1) & Cu(2*), Cu(1*) & Cu(2), Cu(1*) & Cu(2)
= J₁, Cu(2) & Cu(2*) = J₂, Cu(1) & Cu(1*) = J₃

Where Cu(1*) = Cu(4) & Cu(2*) = Cu(3) are assumed for magnetic model



Scheme-S1: Magnetic model for the basic unit of complex-1.

The experimental data (χ_M per four Cu(II) vs T) was fitted to equation (y)¹ to give $J_1 = +22.828 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, $J_2 = +23.111 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, $J_3 = +22.914 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ and $ZJ' = 3.279$ ($g = 2.07$) with the agreement factor $R = 1 \times 10^{-6}$ gave the best fit.

All the fittings considering the above models led to the conclusion that coupling between two adjacent Cu(2) centers through N(2) is ferromagnetic as bond angle [Cu(2)-N(2)-Cu(2*) = 92.2°] are close to 90°, Cu(2)-Cu(2*) and Cu-N bond distances are Cu(2)-Cu(2*) = 3.297 Å, Cu(2)-N(2) = 1.989 Å, & Cu(2*)-N(2) = 2.554 Å respectively, the coupling between two adjacent Cu(1) and Cu(2) within the biscubane unit through N(1) and N(3) is also ferromagnetic as average coupling bond angles [Cu(1)-N(2)-Cu(2*) = 94.03°, Cu(1)-N(1)-Cu(2) = 111.87° & Cu(1)-N(2)-Cu(2) = 83.18°, Cu(1)-N(3)-Cu(2) = 113.22°] are less than 106° and bond distances are Cu(1)-N(1) = 1.976 Å, Cu(2)-N(1) = 2.015 Å, Cu(1)-N(3) = 2.007 Å, Cu(2)-N(3) = 2.016 Å, Cu(1)-Cu(2*) = 3.307 Å & Cu(1)-Cu(2) = 3.358 Å. Moreover inter biscubane coupling between Cu(1) and Cu(1*) through N(10) is ferromagnetic as Cu(1)-N(10)-Cu(1*) bond angle (101.91°) is less than 106° and Cu(1)-Cu(1*) distance is 3.087 Å while interaction between adjacent 1D rail road chain through $\mu_{1,3}$ -azido bridge is weakly antiferromagnetic as the inter chain separations are Cu(1)-Cu(1*) = 5.558 Å & Cu(1)-Cu(2) = 6.6318 Å. Thus it can be concluded that ferromagnetically coupled 1D rail road chain antiferromagnetically couples with adjacent 1D rail road through $\mu_{1,3}$ -azido bridge and this honey comb like 2D core couples antiferromagnetically to $\{\text{Cu}^{\text{II}}(3)(\text{LL})_2\}^{2+}$ ions through cis- $\mu_{1,3}$ -azido bridge [Cu(2)-Cu(3) = 6.275 Å, Cu(2)-N(11) = 1.967 Å, Cu(3)-N(15) = 2.228 Å] and that's why complex **1** shows dominant ferromagnetic coupling in the temperature range 300K to

7.93K while below which antiferromagnetic coupling becomes dominant because of antiferromagnetic coupling between 1D inter rail road chain.

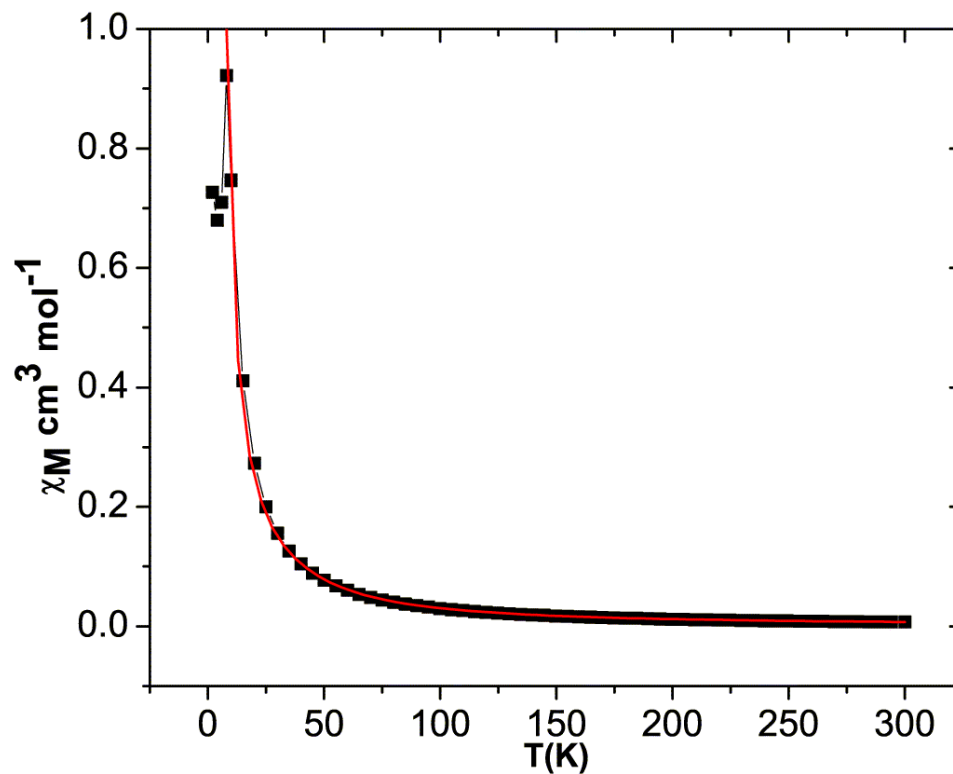


Fig. S5: Plots of χ_M vs. T (8-300K) and $\chi_M T$ vs. T (inset) of complex **1** in the temperature range 2-300K. The red line indicates the fitting.

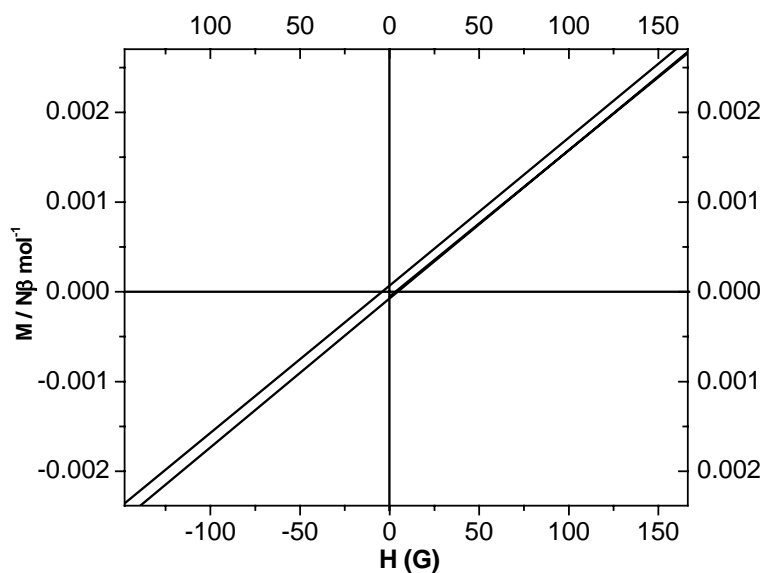


Fig. S6: M vs H plot at very low field range for **1** to show a very weak loop.

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