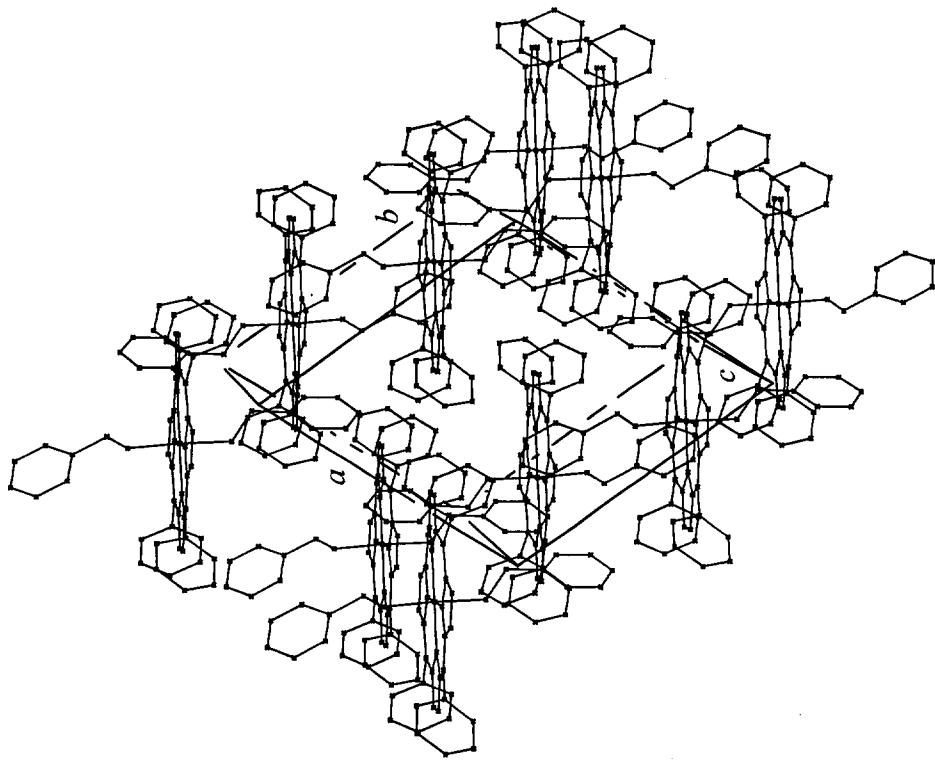
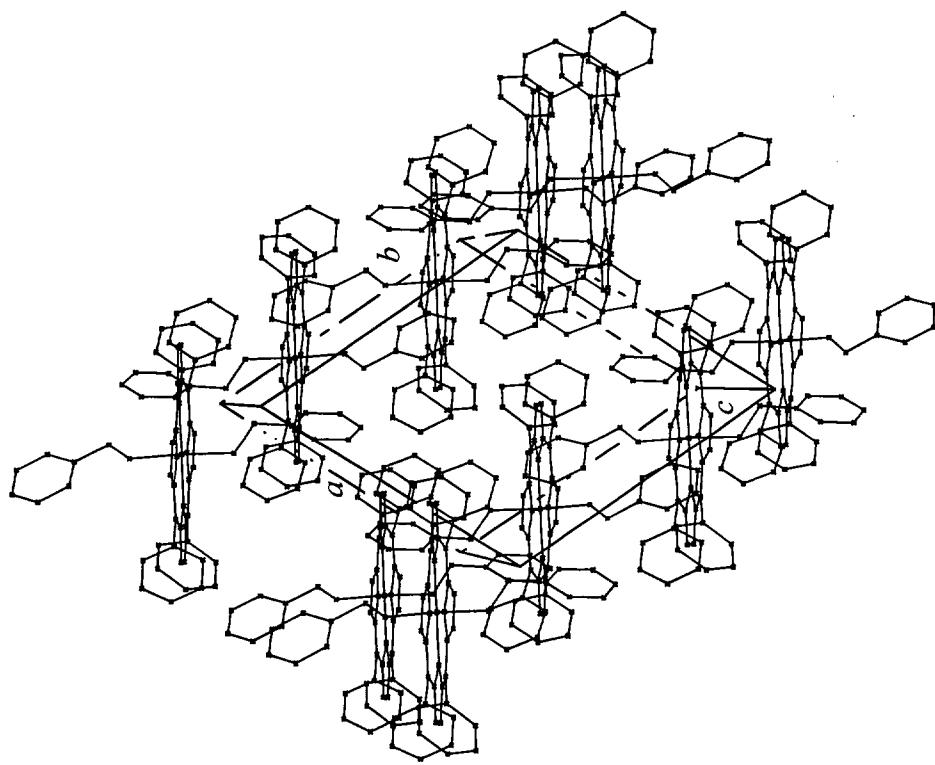
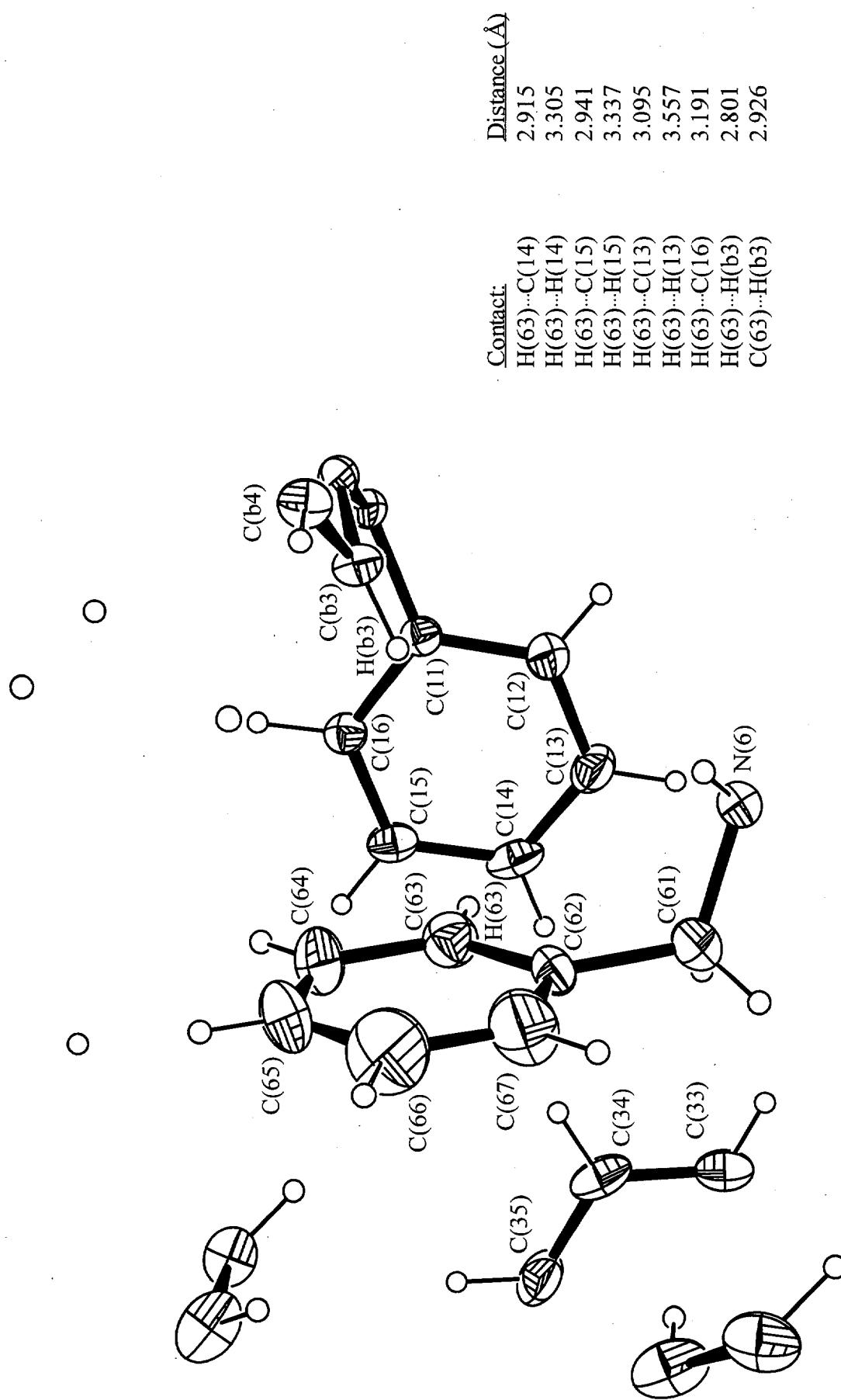


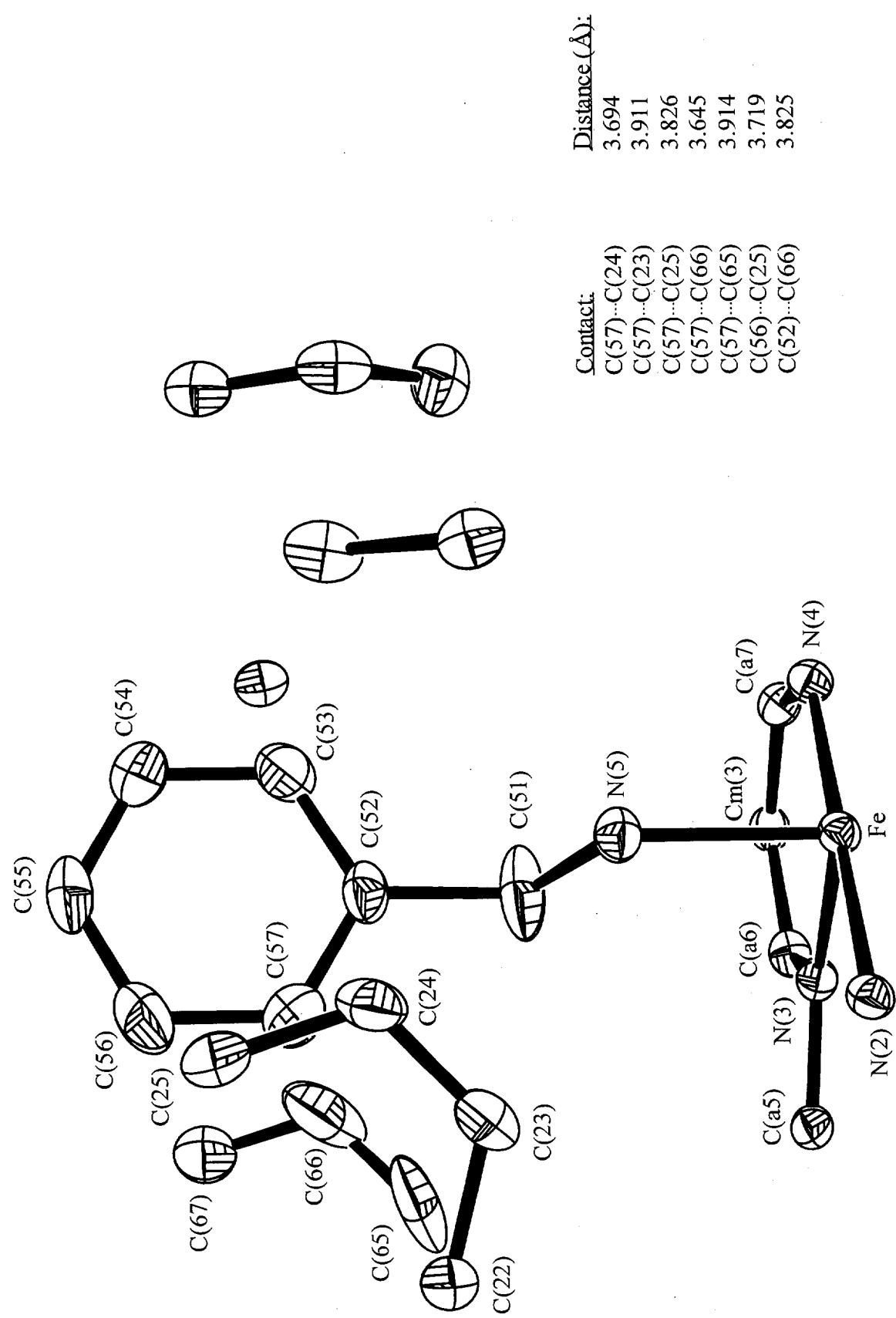
**Figure S2.** Stereoview of the MM-calculated lowest energy conformation of  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TPP})(\text{R}-[+]-\alpha\text{-MeBzNH}_2)_2]$ . The coordination group distances ( $\text{\AA}$ ) are shown. The ligand phenyl groups are in van der Waals contact with the porphyrin pyrrole rings over which they are positioned. Selected nonbonded contact distances are indicated.



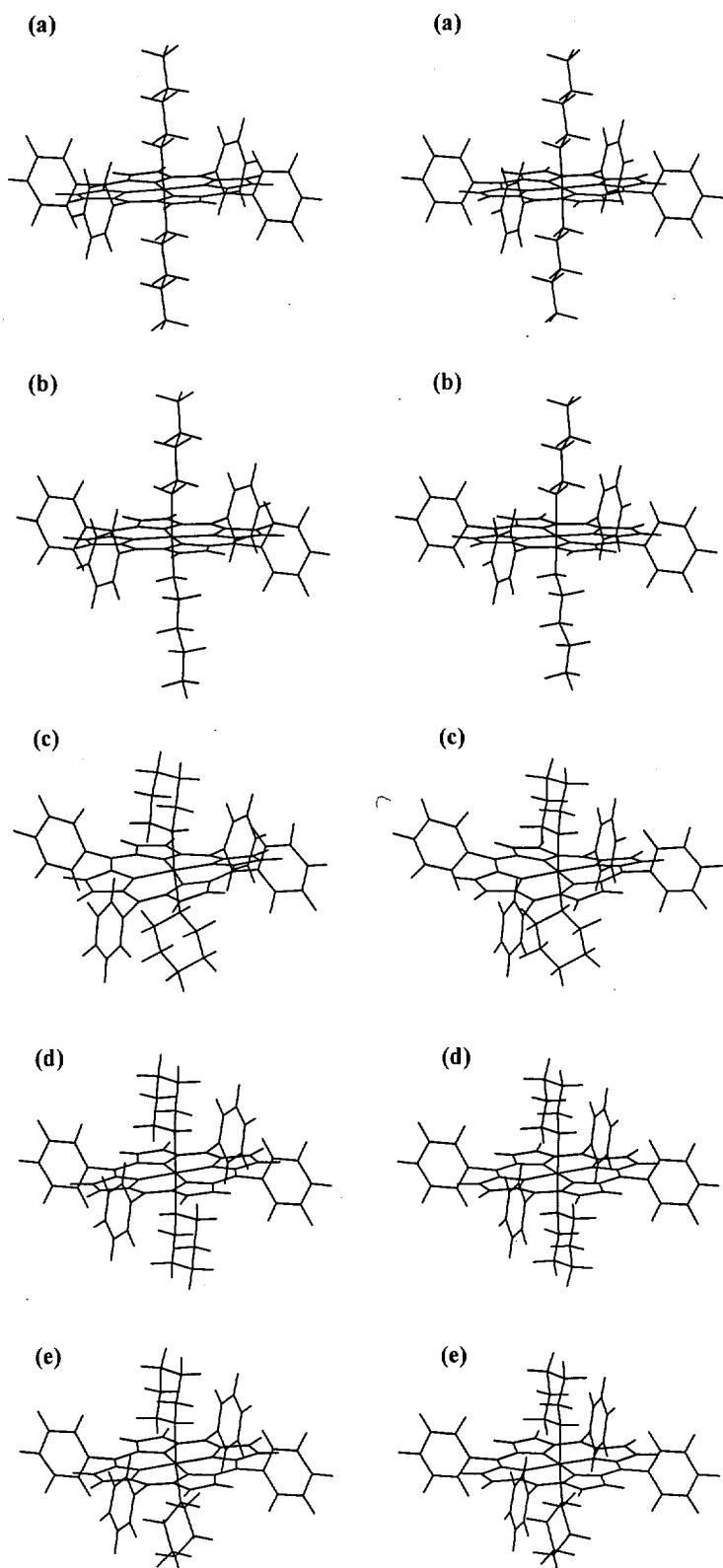
**Figure S3.** Stereoview of the unit cell of  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TPP})(\text{BzNH}_2)_2]$ . The upper ligand (C(61) through C(67)) clearly nestles in the space between the phenyl groups of the closest neighbor. The ligand is tilted toward the viewer as a result of close contacts with one of the porphyrin phenyl groups (see Figure S4). The bottom ligand (C(51) through C(57)) is sandwiched between a porphyrin phenyl group of one neighbor and the phenyl ring of another neighbor's top benzylamine ligand (Figure S5). This interaction militates against inversion symmetry about the metal ion for  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TPP})(\text{BzNH}_2)_2]$ .



**Figure S4.** ORTEP diagram illustrating all atoms within a 5.1-Angstrom radius of C(63) of one of the axial benzylamine ligands of  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TPP})(\text{BzNH}_2)_2]$ . Close contacts leading to the observed  $\text{Fe}-\text{N}(6)-\text{C}(61)-\text{C}(62)$  dihedral angle of  $157.4^\circ$  are listed at the right side of the diagram. These contacts also favor a  $\text{N}(3)\text{-Fe-N}(6)\text{-C}(61)$  dihedral angle (ligand orientation) of  $59.9^\circ$ . Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at the 25% probability level.



**Figure S5.** ORTEP diagram illustrating all atoms within a 5.1-Angstrom radius of C(52) of one of the axial benzylamine ligands of  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TPP})(\text{BzNH})_2]$ . The contact distances listed at the right of the diagram indicate that the ligand phenyl group is sandwiched between the phenyl ring of a neighboring porphyrin and the phenyl group of one of the axial ligands of a second neighbor close by. This interaction leads to a  $\text{N}(3)\text{-Fe-N}(5)\text{-C}(51)$  dihedral angle (ligand orientation) of  $18.2^\circ$  and militates against inversion symmetry about the metal ion. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at the 25% probability level. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.



**Figure S6.** Stereoscopic views of selected calculated minima for  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TPP})(\text{1-BuNH}_2)_2]$  and  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TPP})(\text{Pip})_2]$  taken from the surfaces in Figure 7 of the main text. The two conformations of  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TPP})(\text{1-BuNH}_2)_2]$  are (a) a global minimum energy conformation ( $\phi_1, \phi_2 = 0^\circ, 180^\circ; \Delta U_T = 0$  kcal/mol) and (b) a local minimum energy conformation ( $\phi_1, \phi_2 = 0^\circ, 0^\circ; \Delta U_T = 0.14$  kcal/mol). The three conformations of  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TPP})(\text{Pip})_2]$  are (c) a global minimum energy conformation ( $\phi_1, \phi_2 = 70^\circ, 20^\circ; \Delta U_T = 0$  kcal/mol), (d) a local energy minimum ( $\phi_1, \phi_2 = 70^\circ, 110^\circ; \Delta U_T = 1.6$  kcal/mol), and (e) a higher energy local minimum ( $\phi_1, \phi_2 = 340^\circ, 20^\circ; \Delta U_T = \sim 1.8$  kcal/mol).