

Supporting Information

Interplay of Anisotropic Exchange Interactions and Single-Ion Anisotropy in Single-Chain Magnets Built from Ru/Os

Cyanidometallates(III) and Mn(III) Complex

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Table S1. Experimental details for **1**.

| Crystal data | |
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| Chemical formula | C ₂₈ H ₂₈ MnN ₁₀ O ₂ Os·4(H ₂ O) |
| CCDC Code | CCDC-1958305 |
| <i>M</i> _r | 853.81 |
| Crystal system, space group | Monoclinic, <i>C2/c</i> |
| Temperature (K) | 123 |
| <i>a</i> , <i>b</i> , <i>c</i> (Å) | 11.25103 (11), 16.77467 (15), 18.60785 (18) |
| β (°), <i>V</i> (Å ³), <i>Z</i> | 96.5256 (9), 3489.15 (6), 4 |
| <i>F</i> (000), <i>D</i> _x (Mg m ⁻³) | 1692, 1.625 |
| Radiation type | Cu <i>Kα</i> |
| μ (mm ⁻¹) | 10.17 |
| Crystal size (mm) | 0.41 × 0.25 × 0.20 |
| Data collection | |
| Diffractometer | Xcalibur, Atlas ^{S2} , Gemini ultra |
| Absorption correction | Multi-scan |
| <i>T</i> _{min} , <i>T</i> _{max} | 0.083, 1.000 |
| No. of measured, independent and observed [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)] reflections | 54476, 3098, 2915 |
| <i>R</i> _{int} | 0.051 |
| (sin θ/λ) _{max} (Å ⁻¹) | 0.596 |
| Range of <i>h</i> , <i>k</i> , <i>l</i> | <i>h</i> = -13 → 13, <i>k</i> = -19 → 19, <i>l</i> = -22 → 22 |
| Refinement | |
| <i>R</i> [<i>F</i> ² > 2σ(<i>F</i> ²)], <i>wR</i> (<i>F</i> ²), <i>S</i> | 0.029, 0.080, 1.15 |
| No. of reflections, No. of parameters, No. of restraints | 3098, 231, 1 |
| H-atom treatment | H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement |
| Δ <i>ρ</i> _{max} , Δ <i>ρ</i> _{min} (e Å ⁻³) | 1.69, -0.74 |

Table S2. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

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|--------------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| Os1—C1 ^b | 2.050 (4) | N11—C10 | 1.284 (5) |
| Os1—C1 | 2.050 (4) | N11—C22 | 1.476 (5) |
| Os1—C2 | 2.060 (4) | N12—C20 | 1.483 (5) |
| Os1—C2 ^b | 2.060 (4) | N12—C19 | 1.484 (6) |
| Os1—C3 | 2.064 (4) | N12—C18 | 1.497 (6) |
| Os1—C3 ^b | 2.064 (4) | N12—C17 | 1.519 (5) |
| C1—N1 | 1.158 (5) | C10—C11 | 1.450 (5) |
| C3—N3 | 1.154 (5) | C11—C12 | 1.403 (5) |
| C2—N2 | 1.150 (5) | C11—C16 | 1.423 (5) |
| N1—Mn1 | 2.281 (3) | C12—C13 | 1.371 (6) |
| Mn1—O1 ^a | 1.884 (2) | C13—C14 | 1.409 (5) |
| Mn1—O1 | 1.884 (2) | C13—C17 | 1.499 (5) |
| Mn1—N11 ^a | 1.981 (3) | C14—C15 | 1.378 (5) |
| Mn1—N11 | 1.982 (3) | C15—C16 | 1.403 (5) |
| Mn1—N1 ^a | 2.281 (3) | C22—C22 ^a | 1.519 (8) |
| O1—C16 | 1.321 (4) | | |
| C1 ^b —Os1—C1 | 180.0 | O1—Mn1—N1 ^a | 94.84 (10) |
| C1 ^b —Os1—C2 | 92.93 (14) | N11 ^a —Mn1—N1 ^a | 86.08 (11) |
| C1—Os1—C2 | 87.08 (14) | N11—Mn1—N1 ^a | 89.00 (11) |
| C1 ^b —Os1—C2 ^b | 87.07 (14) | N1—Mn1—N1 ^a | 173.47 (15) |

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| C1—Os1—C2 ^b | 92.92 (14) | C16—O1—Mn1 | 125.8 (2) |
| C2—Os1—C2 ^b | 180.00 (19) | C10—N11—C22 | 120.9 (3) |
| C1 ^b —Os1—C3 | 91.00 (13) | C10—N11—Mn1 | 125.6 (2) |
| C1—Os1—C3 | 89.00 (13) | C22—N11—Mn1 | 113.3 (2) |
| C2—Os1—C3 | 90.12 (14) | C20—N12—C19 | 109.6 (4) |
| C2 ^b —Os1—C3 | 89.88 (14) | C20—N12—C18 | 108.0 (4) |
| C1 ^b —Os1—C3 ^b | 89.00 (13) | C19—N12—C18 | 111.2 (4) |
| C1—Os1—C3 ^b | 91.00 (13) | C20—N12—C17 | 110.9 (3) |
| C2—Os1—C3 ^b | 89.88 (14) | C19—N12—C17 | 111.5 (3) |
| C2 ^b —Os1—C3 ^b | 90.12 (14) | C18—N12—C17 | 105.6 (3) |
| C3—Os1—C3 ^b | 180.00 (15) | N11—C10—C11 | 124.0 (3) |
| N1—C1—Os1 | 175.1 (3) | C12—C11—C16 | 119.5 (3) |
| N3—C3—Os1 | 178.8 (3) | C12—C11—C10 | 117.3 (3) |
| N2—C2—Os1 | 175.0 (4) | C16—C11—C10 | 123.2 (3) |
| C1—N1—Mn1 | 142.5 (3) | C13—C12—C11 | 121.9 (3) |
| O1 ^a —Mn1—O1 | 93.88 (14) | C12—C13—C14 | 118.5 (3) |
| O1 ^a —Mn1—N11 ^a | 91.96 (11) | C12—C13—C17 | 121.0 (3) |
| O1—Mn1—N11 ^a | 174.10 (11) | C14—C13—C17 | 120.3 (3) |
| O1 ^a —Mn1—N11 | 174.10 (11) | C15—C14—C13 | 121.0 (3) |
| O1—Mn1—N11 | 91.96 (11) | C14—C15—C16 | 121.2 (3) |
| N11 ^a —Mn1—N11 | 82.22 (17) | O1—C16—C15 | 118.5 (3) |
| O1 ^a —Mn1—N1 | 94.84 (10) | O1—C16—C11 | 123.4 (3) |
| O1—Mn1—N1 | 89.62 (11) | C15—C16—C11 | 118.0 (3) |
| N11 ^a —Mn1—N1 | 89.00 (11) | C13—C17—N12 | 115.3 (3) |
| N11—Mn1—N1 | 86.08 (11) | N11—C22—C22 ^a | 106.9 (2) |
| O1 ^a —Mn1—N1 ^a | 89.62 (11) | | |

Symmetry code(s): (a) $-x, y, -1/2-z$; (b) $-x, 1-y, -z$.

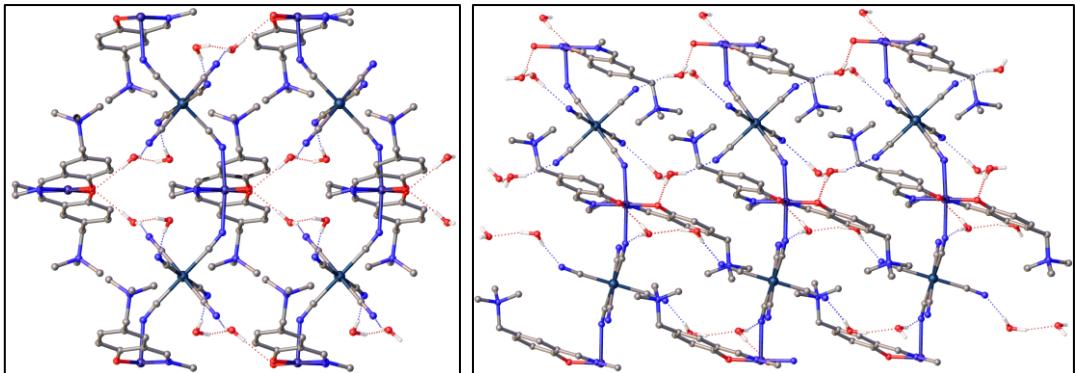


Figure S1. Hydrogen bonding system in **1**.

Table S3. Some crystallographic parameters for $[\text{Mn}(\text{SB}^{2-})\text{M}(\text{CN})_6]\cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$.

| M | Conditions | Cell parameters P2/c; a, b, c (Å); β° | 2θ | d-spacing, | h k l |
|-----|--------------|--|--------|------------|--------|
| Fe* | SCXRD, 93 K | 11.236, 16.741, 18.457, 96.929 | 12.867 | 6.8745 | -1 1 2 |
| Ru | PXRD, RT | 11.246, 16.743, 18.569 | 12.846 | 6.8857 | -1 1 2 |
| Os | SCXRD, 110 K | 11.2510, 16.7747, 18.6078, 96.53 | 12.837 | 6.8907 | -1 1 2 |

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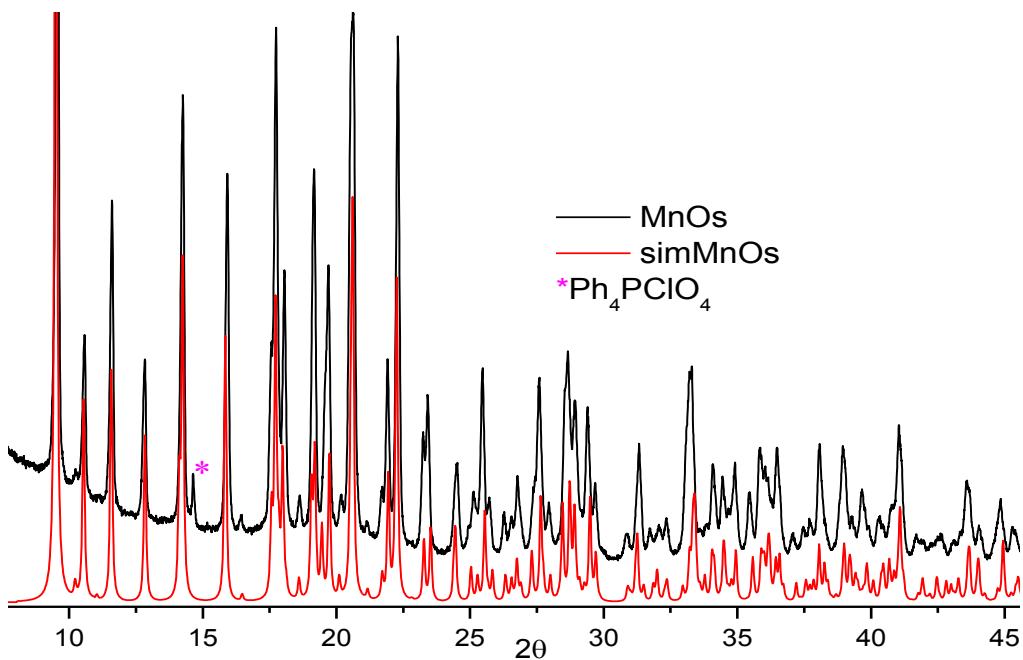


Figure S2. Simulated (red) and experimental X-ray powder pattern for neutral Mn-Os chain polymer.

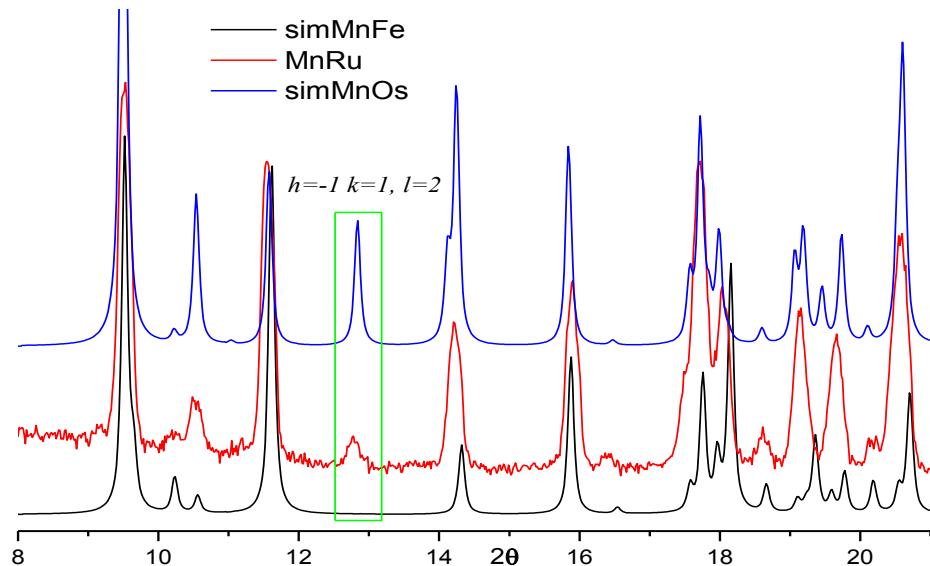


Figure S3. Additional reflections from $(-1, 1, 2)$ plane consisted of metal atoms. Simulated (red) and experimental X-ray powder patterns for neutral Mn-Os chain polymer.

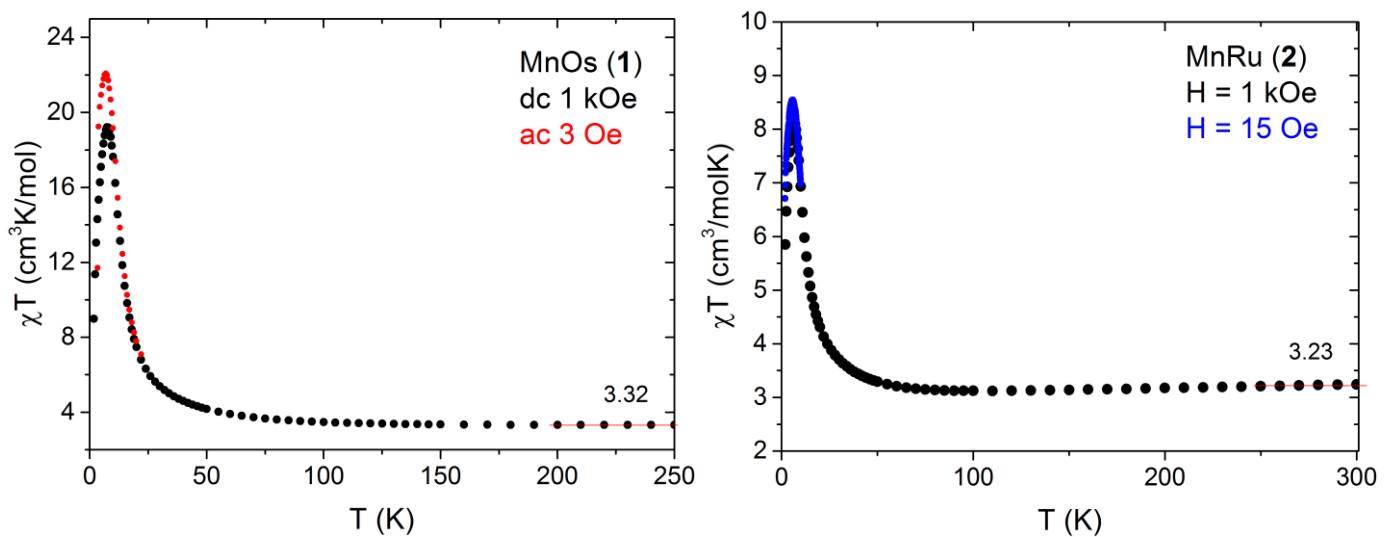


Figure S4. Magnetic susceptibility times temperature vs T at 1 kOe and lower fields for **1** in 3 Oe (left) and **2** in 15 Oe (right).

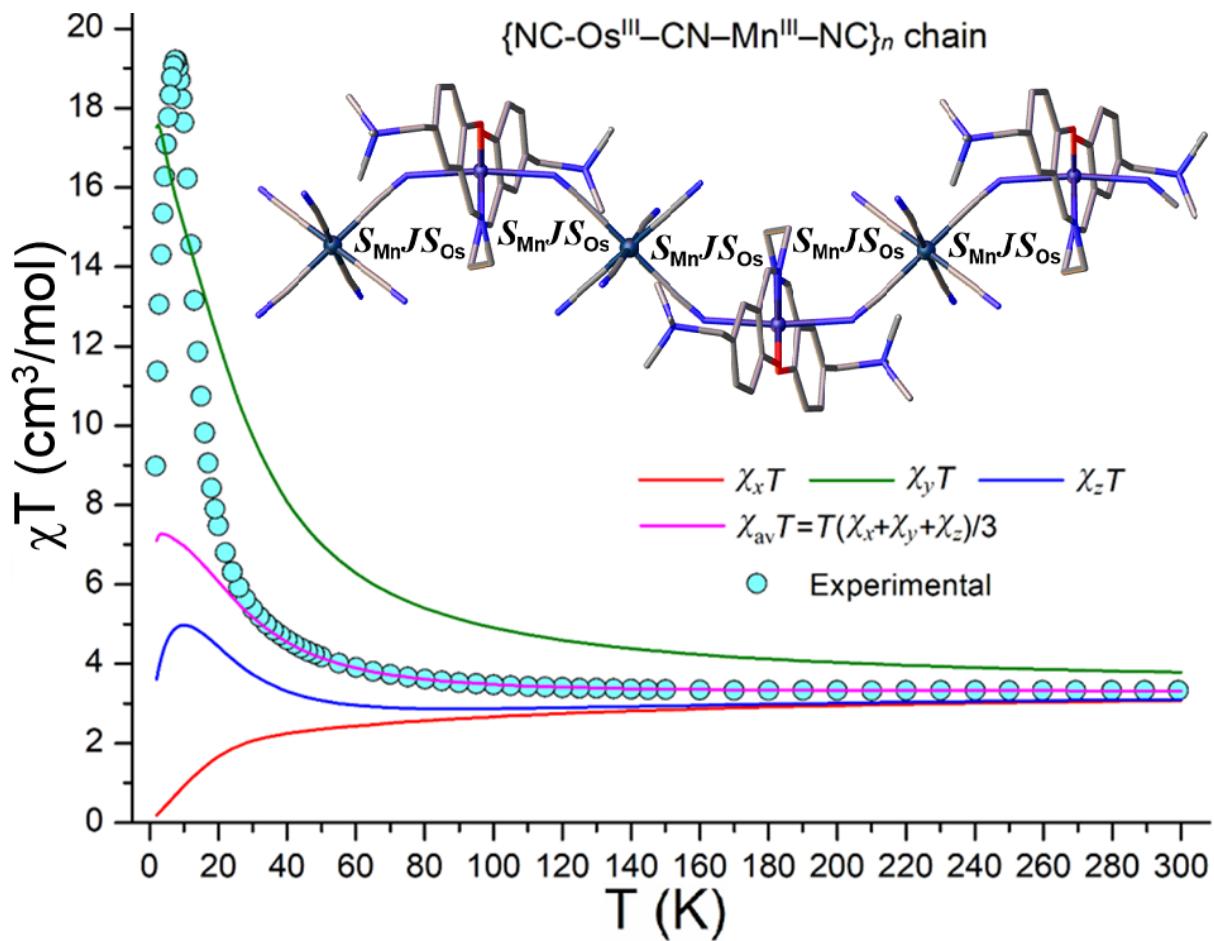


Figure S5. Calculated components χ_x , χ_y , χ_z of magnetic susceptibility of the Mn-Os chain (**1**). Below 50 K magnetic susceptibility is strongly anisotropic.

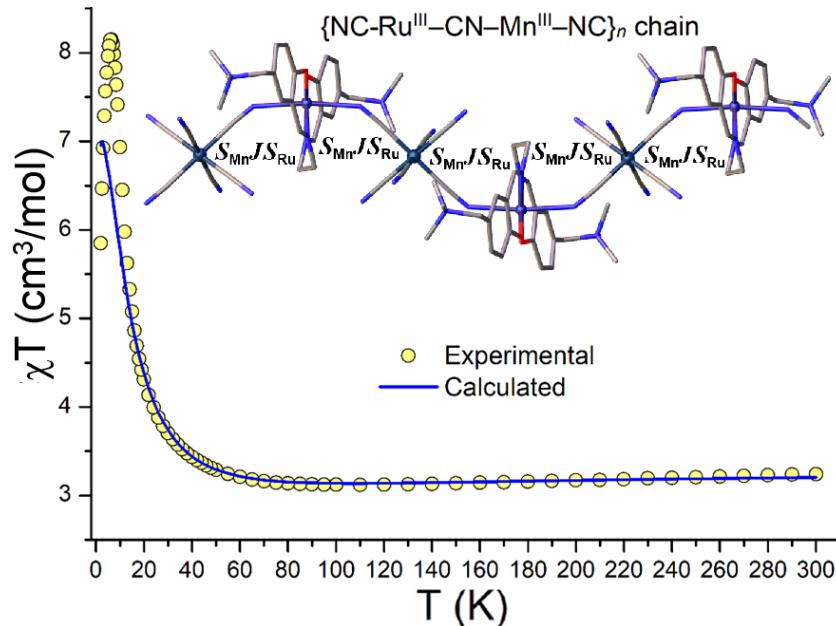


Figure S6. Experimental (yellow circles) and simulated (solid blue line) magnetic susceptibility χT of **2**. The χT curve was simulated with the spin Hamiltonian (Eqn. 2) involving anisotropic 3-axes spin coupling $S_{\text{Mn}}JS_{\text{Ru}} = -J_x S_{\text{Mn}}^x S_{\text{Ru}}^x - J_y S_{\text{Mn}}^y S_{\text{Ru}}^y - J_z S_{\text{Mn}}^z S_{\text{Ru}}^z$. The best fit is obtained at the set of parameters $J_x = -18$, $J_y = +20$, $J_z = -18 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, $g_{\text{Mn}} = 2.00$, $g_{\text{Ru}} = 1.80$, $D_{\text{Mn}} = -4.0 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. Calculations are performed for a six-membered fragment $\{\text{Mn}-\text{Ru}\}_3$ of the heterometallic chain of **2** with cyclic boundary conditions for the Mn-Ru spin coupling, as shown in the inset.

Calculations of magnetic susceptibility of chain compounds **1** and **2**

Magnetic susceptibility of $\{\text{Mn}^{\text{III}}-\text{Os}^{\text{III}}\}_n$ (**1**) and $\{\text{Mn}^{\text{III}}-\text{Ru}^{\text{III}}\}_n$ (**2**) chain compounds are calculated in terms of a spin Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H} = \sum_{<ij>} \mathbf{S}_{\text{Os}(i)} \mathbf{J} \mathbf{S}_{\text{Mn}(j)} + \sum_j \mathbf{S}_{\text{Mn}(j)} (\mathbf{T}_j(\theta) \mathbf{D}_j \mathbf{T}(\theta)_j^{-1}) \mathbf{S}_{\text{Mn}(j)} + \mu_B g_{\text{Mn}} \mathbf{H} \sum_j \mathbf{S}_{\text{Mn}(j)} + \mu_B g_{\text{Os}} \mathbf{H} \sum_i \mathbf{S}_{\text{Os}(i)}, \quad (\text{S1})$$

where the sum $\langle ij \rangle$ runs over the neighboring Os(i) and Mn(j) cyanide-bridged exchange-coupled ions in the chain; the tensor of anisotropic spin coupling (\mathbf{J}) has a three-axes structure, $\mathbf{S}_{\text{Mn}}\mathbf{J}\mathbf{S}_{\text{Os}} = -J_x S_{\text{Mn}}^x S_{\text{Os}}^x - J_y S_{\text{Mn}}^y S_{\text{Os}}^y - J_z S_{\text{Mn}}^z S_{\text{Os}}^z$. The ZFS \mathbf{D}_j tensors of the Mn^{III}(i) ions are supposed to have the axial structure (with $D < 0$ and $E = 0$). Each \mathbf{D}_j tensor of Mn^{III}(i) ion is transformed by the $T_j(\theta)$ rotation matrix, $\mathbf{D}_j' = T_j(\theta)\mathbf{D}_j T_j(\theta)^{-1}$, specifying the non-collinear orientation ($\theta = \pm 37.5^\circ$) of these ZFS tensors in the bent structure of the {Mn-Os} _{n} chain with respect to the local spin quantization axis z of the anisotropic exchange spin Hamiltonian $\mathbf{S}_{\text{Mn}}\mathbf{J}\mathbf{S}_{\text{Os}}$ (see inset in Figure 4). The components M_α ($\alpha = x, y, z$) of the magnetic moment \mathbf{M} of vanadium complexes in an external magnetic field \mathbf{H} are obtained from the conventional equation $M_\alpha = Nk_B T \frac{\partial \ln Z(\mathbf{H})}{\partial H_\alpha}$, (S2),

where $Z(\mathbf{H})$ is the partition function $Z(\mathbf{H}) = \sum_i \exp(-E_i(\mathbf{H})/k_B T)$, (S3)

with $E_i(\mathbf{H})$ being the energy of the i -th electronic state of the chain in the magnetic field \mathbf{H} obtained from diagonalization of the spin Hamiltonian (S1). Then the diagonal component χ_{aa} of the tensor of magnetic susceptibility is written as $\chi_{aa} = M_a/H_a$; magnetic susceptibility of the powder sample is given by $\chi = (\chi_{xx} + \chi_{yy} + \chi_{zz})/3$. Calculations are performed at the experimental applied magnetic field of $H = 1$ kOe. With this approach, the temperature dependence of magnetic susceptibility χT of compounds **1** and **2** was calculated (Figures 4, S6 and S7).

Table S4. Cole-Cole fits parameters for **1**.

| T (K) | τ (s) | $\Delta\tau$ (s) | α | $\Delta\alpha$ | X_0 (cm ³ K/mol) | ΔX_0 (cm ³ K/mol) | X_∞ (cm ³ K/mol) | ΔX_∞ (cm ³ K/mol) |
|---------|------------|------------------|----------|----------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| 2.80 | 8.41 | 0.43 | 0.4733 | 0.0026 | 7.70 | 0.13 | 0.1635 | 0.0022 |
| 2.95 | 2.359 | 0.060 | 0.4453 | 0.0023 | 7.283 | 0.061 | 0.1657 | 0.0029 |
| 3.10 | 0.629 | 0.015 | 0.3986 | 0.0039 | 6.527 | 0.052 | 0.1843 | 0.0070 |
| 3.25 | 0.2026 | 0.0037 | 0.3537 | 0.0049 | 6.044 | 0.037 | 0.205 | 0.011 |
| 3.45 | 0.05532 | 0.00089 | 0.3047 | 0.0059 | 5.635 | 0.027 | 0.225 | 0.016 |
| 3.65 | 0.01778 | 0.00026 | 0.2664 | 0.0060 | 5.344 | 0.019 | 0.247 | 0.018 |
| 3.85 | 0.006320 | 0.000087 | 0.2368 | 0.0058 | 5.116 | 0.014 | 0.264 | 0.020 |
| 4.10 | 0.002010 | 0.000029 | 0.2056 | 0.0062 | 4.874 | 0.011 | 0.290 | 0.026 |
| 4.30 | 0.000885 | 0.000013 | 0.1846 | 0.0062 | 4.7015 | 0.0089 | 0.319 | 0.031 |
| 4.65 | 0.0002622 | 0.0000048 | 0.1356 | 0.0061 | 4.4283 | 0.0051 | 0.524 | 0.042 |
| 5.00 | 0.0000938 | 0.0000025 | 0.0894 | 0.0053 | 4.1884 | 0.0021 | 0.780 | 0.061 |

Table S5. Cole-Cole fits parameters for **2**.

| T (K) | τ (s) | $\Delta\tau$ (s) | α | $\Delta\alpha$ | X_0 (cm ³ K/mol) | ΔX_0 (cm ³ K/mol) | X_∞ (cm ³ K/mol) | ΔX_∞ (cm ³ K/mol) |
|---------|------------|------------------|----------|----------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| 2.60 | 0.1742 | 0.0061 | 0.5839 | 0.0042 | 3.461 | 0.028 | 0.1363 | 0.0083 |
| 2.80 | 0.0361 | 0.0015 | 0.5215 | 0.0087 | 3.064 | 0.028 | 0.190 | 0.019 |
| 3.00 | 0.01016 | 0.00043 | 0.449 | 0.012 | 2.774 | 0.021 | 0.267 | 0.026 |
| 3.20 | 0.00348 | 0.00016 | 0.388 | 0.013 | 2.574 | 0.015 | 0.325 | 0.030 |
| 3.40 | 0.001400 | 0.000058 | 0.326 | 0.012 | 2.4153 | 0.0096 | 0.401 | 0.030 |
| 3.60 | 0.000631 | 0.000024 | 0.266 | 0.012 | 2.2844 | 0.0062 | 0.482 | 0.029 |
| 3.80 | 0.000303 | 0.000011 | 0.213 | 0.011 | 2.1713 | 0.0039 | 0.558 | 0.031 |
| 4.00 | 0.0001576 | 0.0000067 | 0.162 | 0.010 | 2.0693 | 0.0024 | 0.635 | 0.035 |
| 4.20 | 0.0000934 | 0.0000048 | 0.1084 | 0.0100 | 1.9801 | 0.0014 | 0.760 | 0.041 |

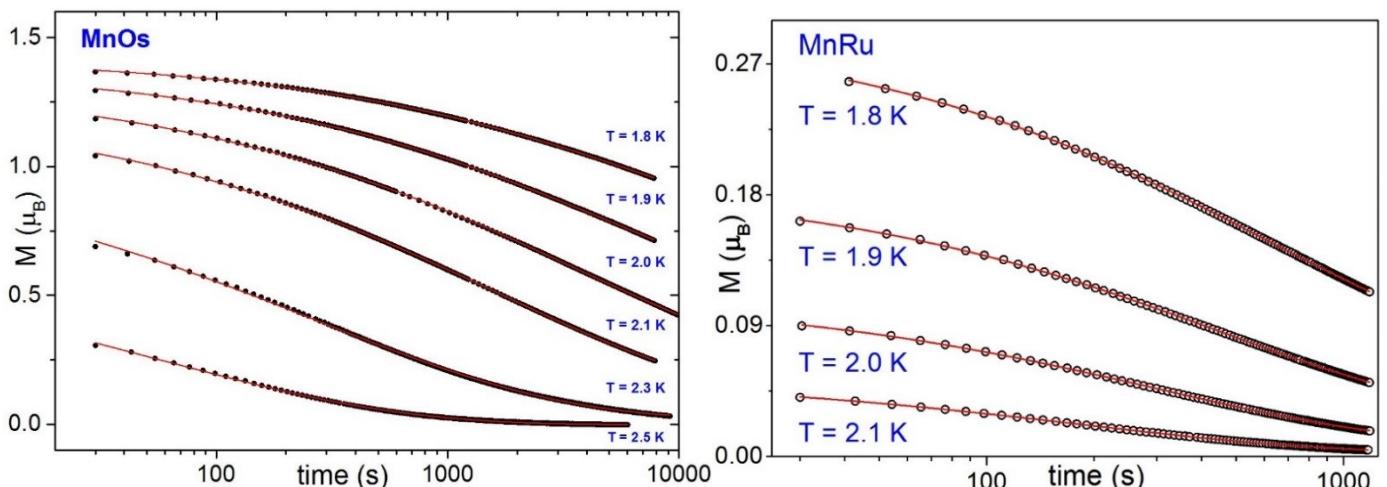


Figure S7. Time dependence of magnetization relaxation for **1** (left) and **2** (right) following the field change from 10 to 0 kOe, at constant temperatures 1.8 ÷ 2.5 K. The data were fitted using a stretched exponential decay: $M(t) = M_0 \exp[-(t/\tau)^{1-n}]$. Only data for $t > 80$ s were taken into account because it takes a finite time to switch off the field. In about 60 seconds, the field drops linearly from 20 to 0 kOe. The time when the current in the magnet reaches zero was defined as zero time in the above figures. It was confirmed by an attempt to fit a decay with the offset ($t - t_0$), and values close to zero were obtained.

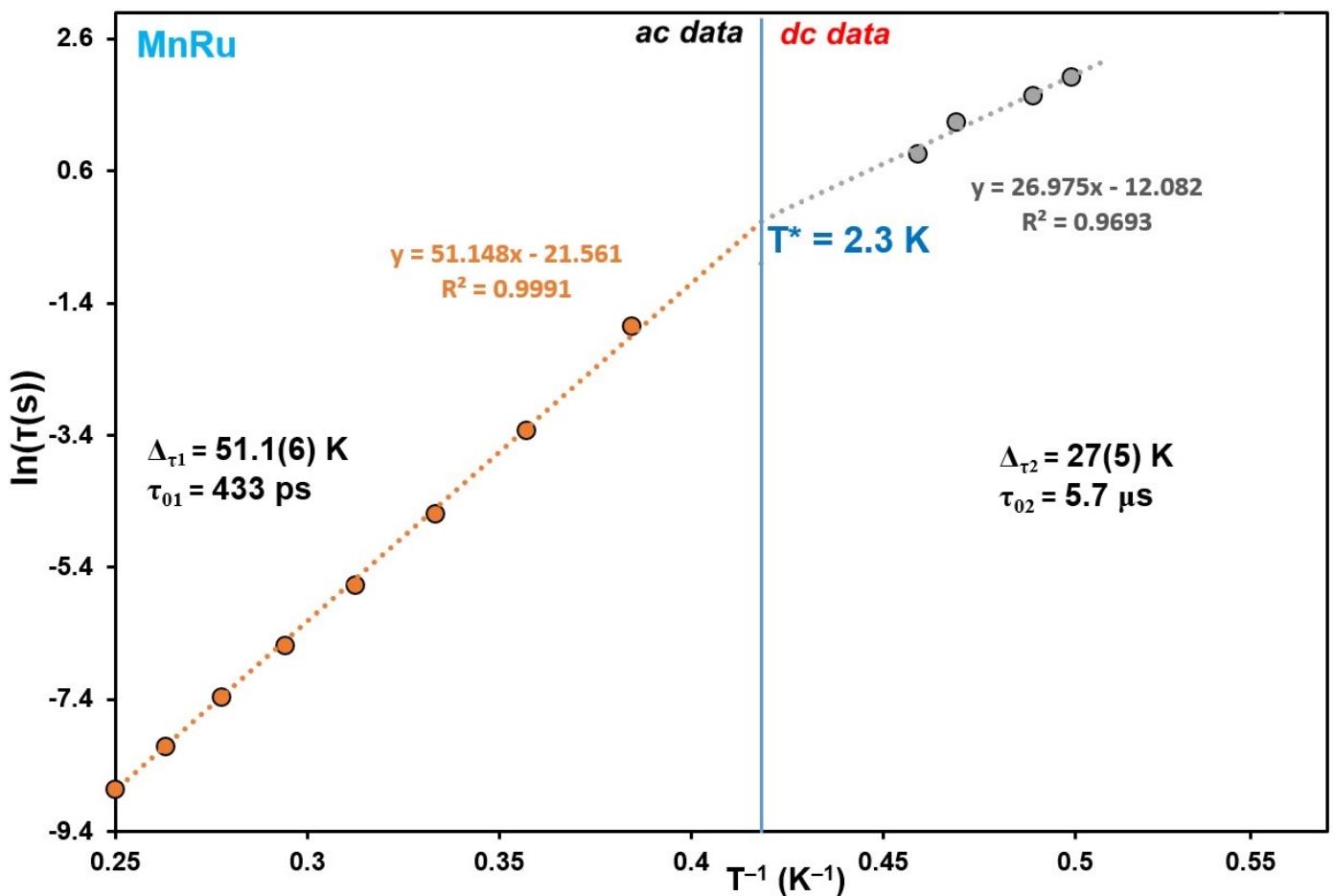


Figure S8. Relaxation time of **2** derived from the *ac* data (left) and time dependent *dc* magnetization (right). The dotted lines correspond to the linear fit according to the Arrhenius law: $\tau = \tau_0 \exp(\Delta\tau_1/k_B T)$.

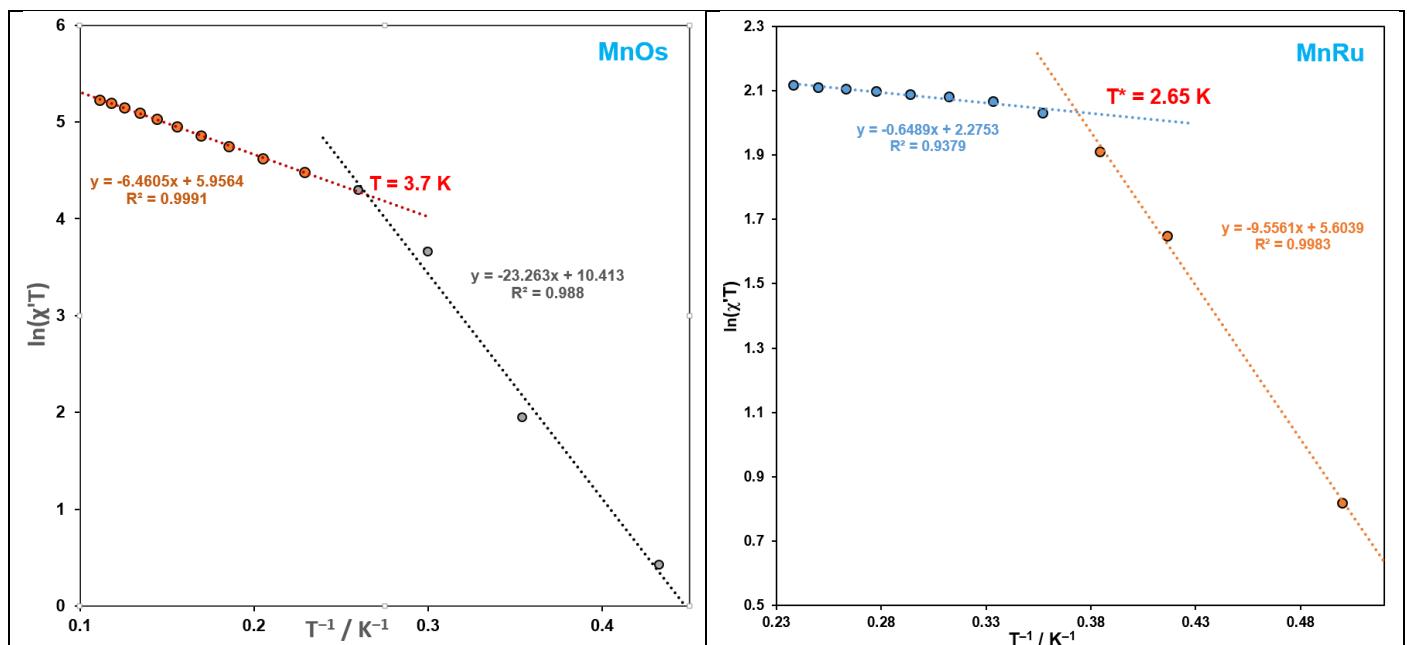


Figure S9. Crossover temperatures T^* obtained from the $\ln(\chi T)$ vs T^{-1} dependencies for the susceptibility data collected at 0 *dc* and 3 Oe *ac* field at 1 Hz below 9 and 4.2 K for **1** (left) and **2** (right) respectively.

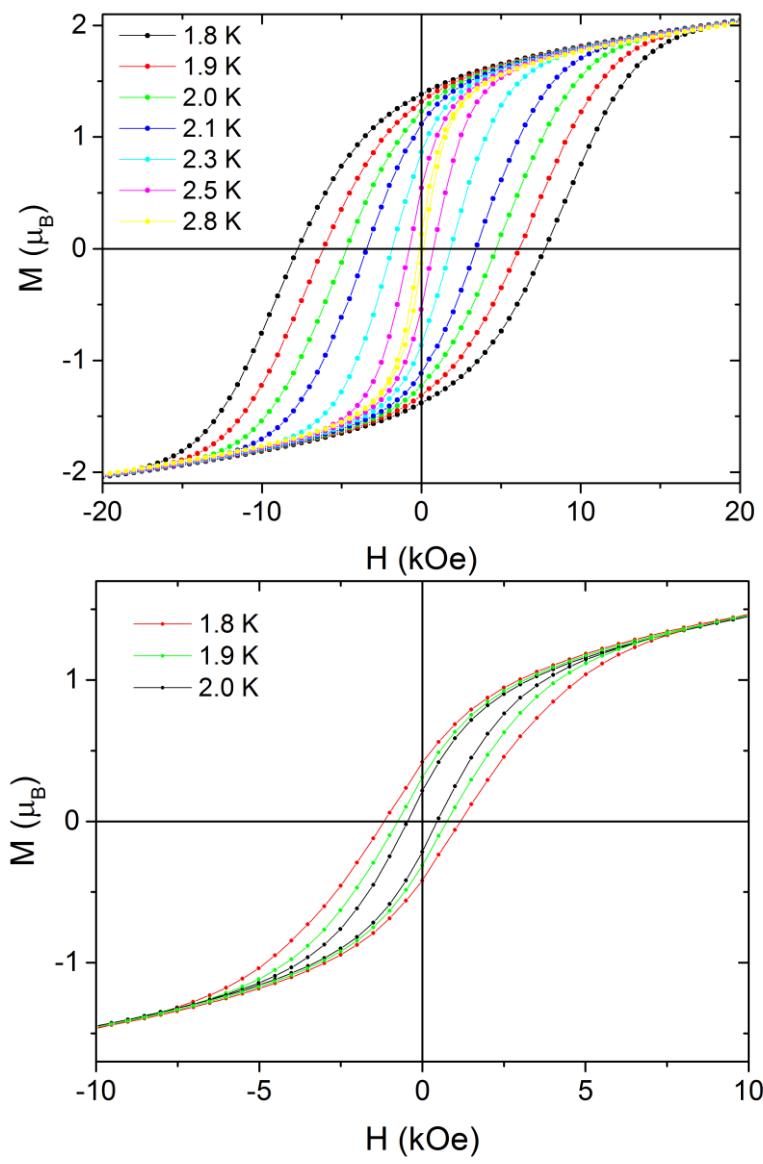


Figure S10. Magnetization versus field for **1** (top) and **2** (bottom) – hysteresis loops. Solid lines are to guide the eye.

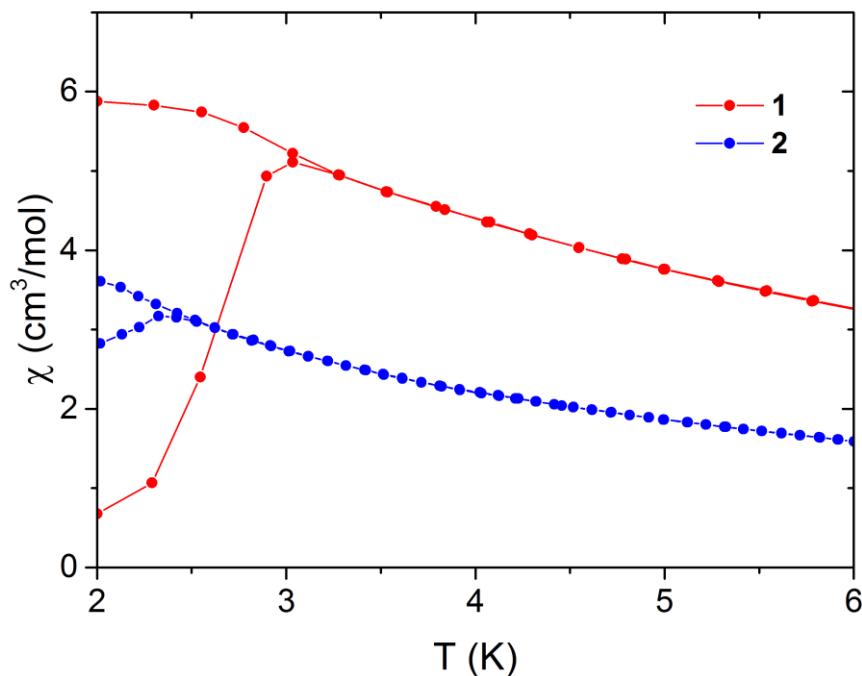


Figure S11. Zero-field cooling/field cooling magnetic susceptibility vs. temperature for **1** and **2** in 15 Oe with a temperature sweep rate of 0.25 K/min up to 10 K and 2 K/min at higher temperatures for **1** and **2**.

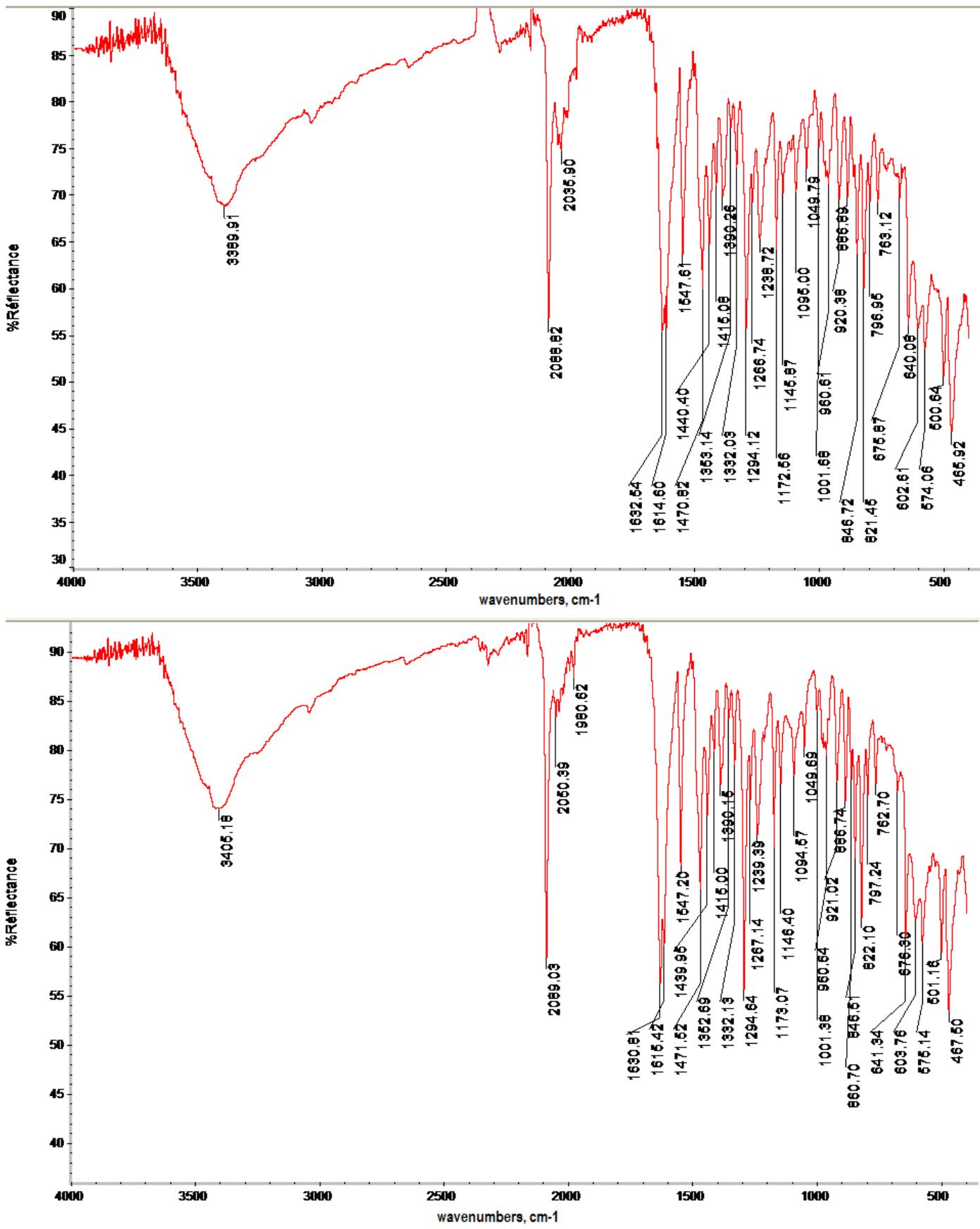


Figure S12. FTIR (ATR) spectra of **1** (top) and **2** (bottom).