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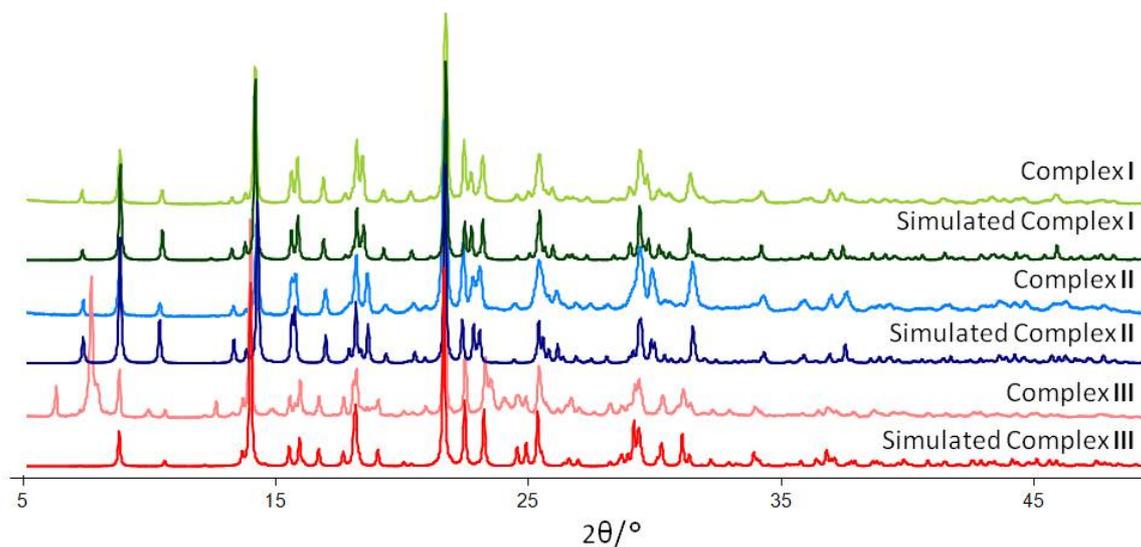
## BIOACTIVITY OF ISOSTRUCTURAL HYDROGEN BONDING FRAMEWORKS BUILT FROM PIPEMIDIC ACID METAL COMPLEXES

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## STRUCTURAL DATA



**Figure S1.** Powder X-ray diffractograms of complexes **I**, **II** and **III** recorded after mechanochemistry, at room conditions, and the respective theoretical diffractograms.

**Table S1.** Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (°) for complexes **I-III**.

	<b>I</b> (M=Mn)	<b>II</b> (M=Zn)	<b>III</b> (M=Ca)
M(1) - O(1)	2.093(3)	2.015(3)	2.251(4)
M(1) - O(3)	2.181(3)	2.109(2)	2.322(3)
M(1) - O(1W)	2.205(4)	2.129(3)	2.353(4)
O(1) - M(1) - O(1W)	92.82(12)	88.06(11)	95.40(14)
O(1) - M(1) - O(3)	83.02(10)	86.96(9)	76.67(12)
O(1) - M(1) - O(1)a	180.00	180.00	180.00
O(1) - M(1) - O(1W)a	87.18(12)	91.94(11)	84.60(14)
O(1) - M(1) - O(3)a	96.98(10)	93.04(9)	103.33(12)
O(1W) - M(1) - O(3)	88.04(12)	92.75(10)	89.78(14)
O(1W) - M(1) - O(1W)a	180.00	180.00	180.00
O(1W) - M(1) - O(3)a	91.96(12)	87.25(10)	90.22(14)
O(3) - M(1) - O(3)a	180.00	180.00	180.00

## HIRSHFELD SURFACE AND 2D FINGERPRINT PLOTS

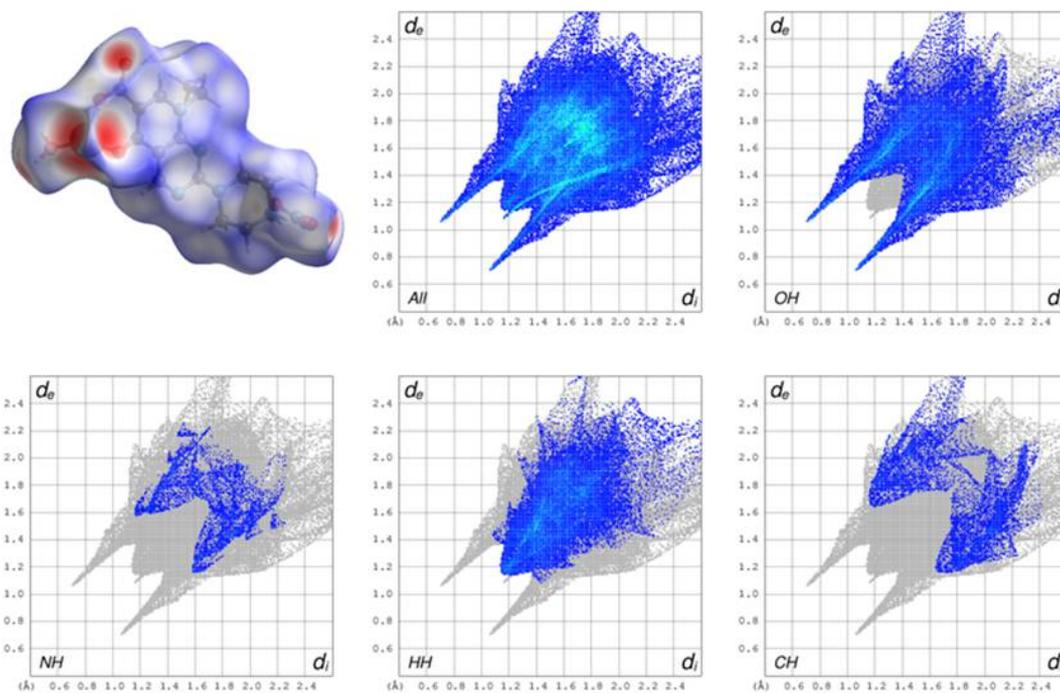


Figure S2. Hirshfeld surface and 2D fingerprint plots for complex I, similar to complexes II and III.

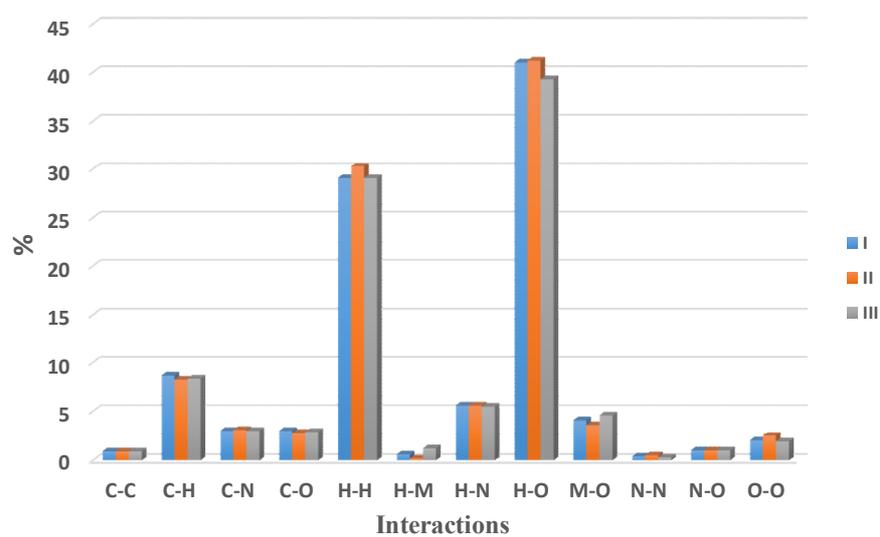
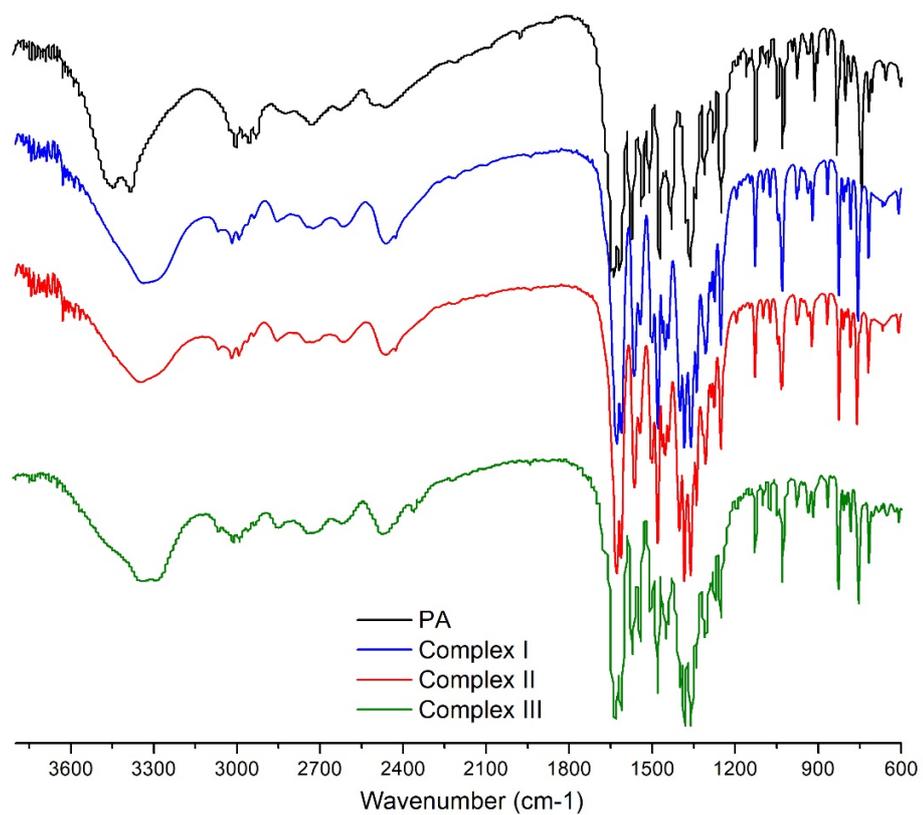


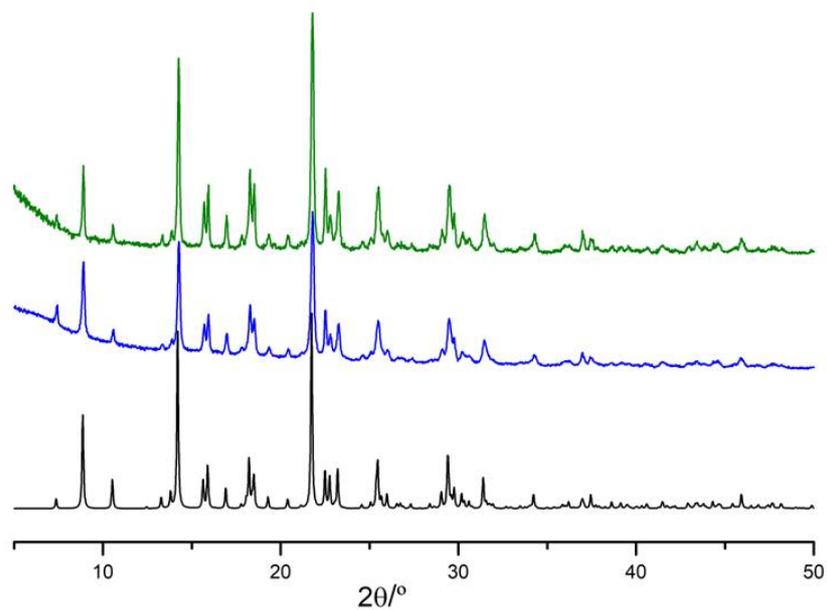
Figure S3. Summary of the percentage (%) of the interactions taken from the 2D fingerprint plots.

## INFRARED SPECTROSCOPY DATA

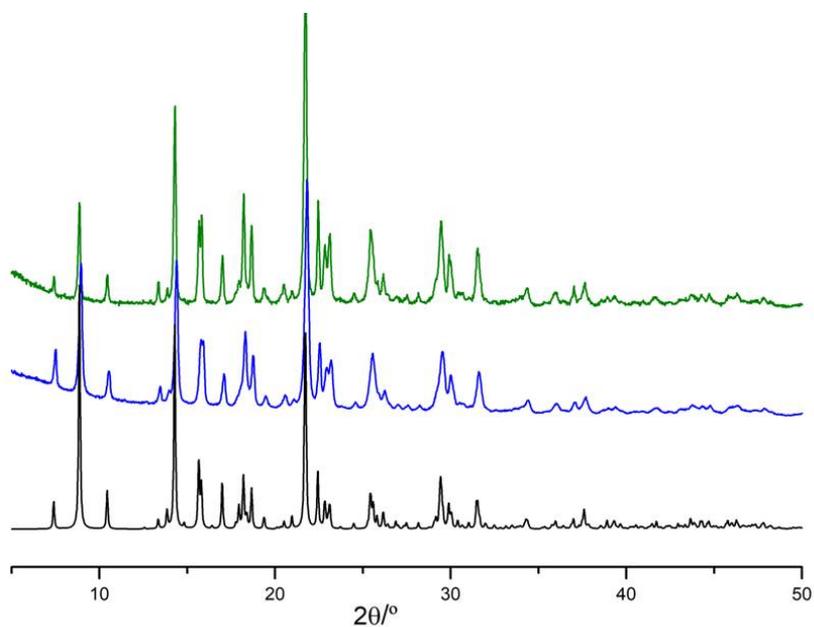


**Figure S4.** Fourier-transform infrared (FTIR) spectra of pipemidic acid (PA) and complexes **I-III** in KBr pellets.

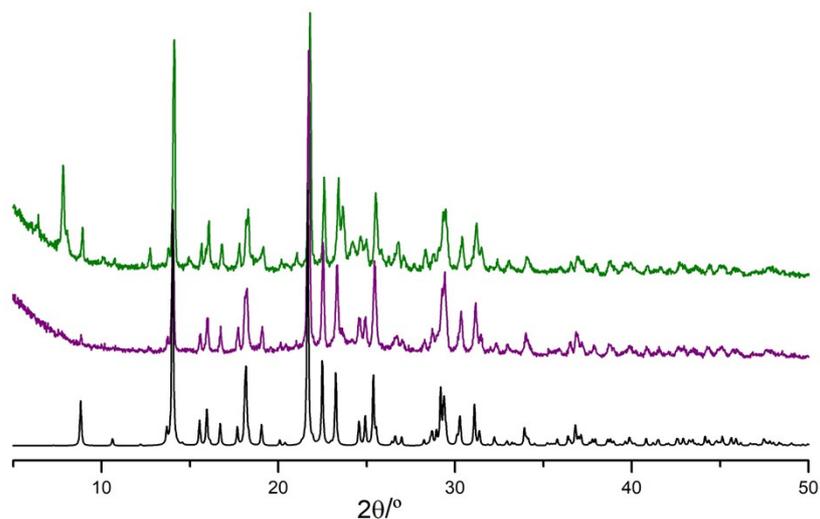
## SHELF STABILITY



**Figure S5.** Powder X-ray diffractograms of complex **I** recorded after mechanochemistry (blue) and after 5 months on the shelf (green), at room conditions, compared to the respective simulated diffractogram from the solved crystal structure (black).



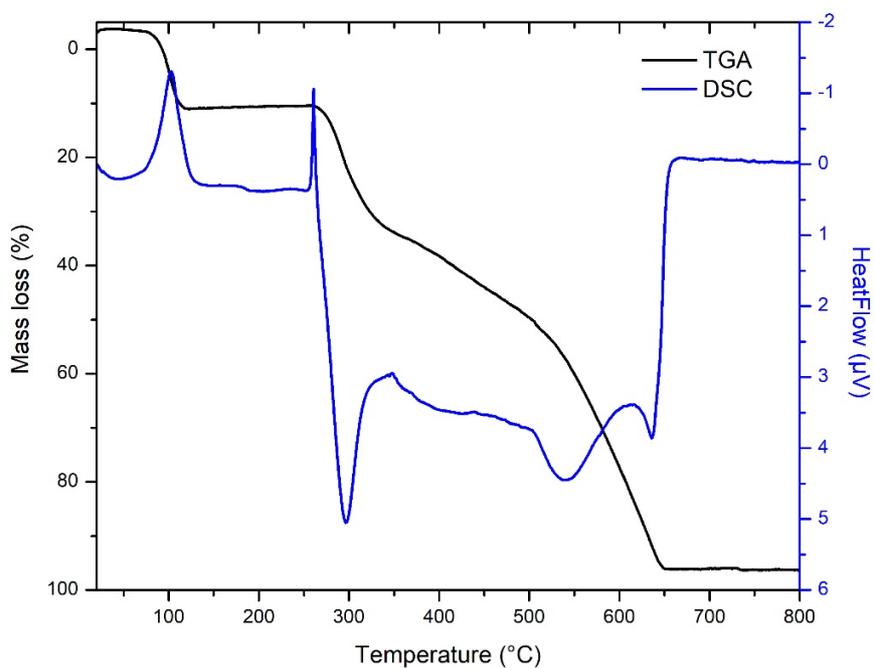
**Figure S6.** Powder X-ray diffractograms of complex **II** recorded after mechanochemistry (blue) and after 5 months on the shelf (green), at room conditions, compared to the respective simulated diffractogram from the solved crystal structure (black).



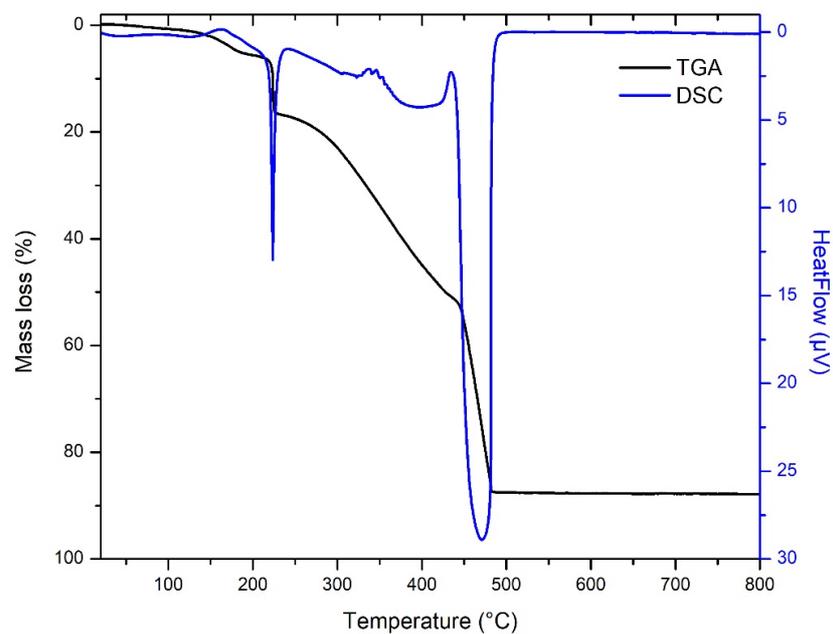
**Figure S7.** Powder X-ray diffractograms of complex **III** recorded after mechanochemistry (purple) and after 5 months on the shelf (green), at room conditions, compared to the respective simulated diffractogram from the solved crystal structure (black).

## THERMAL STABILITY:

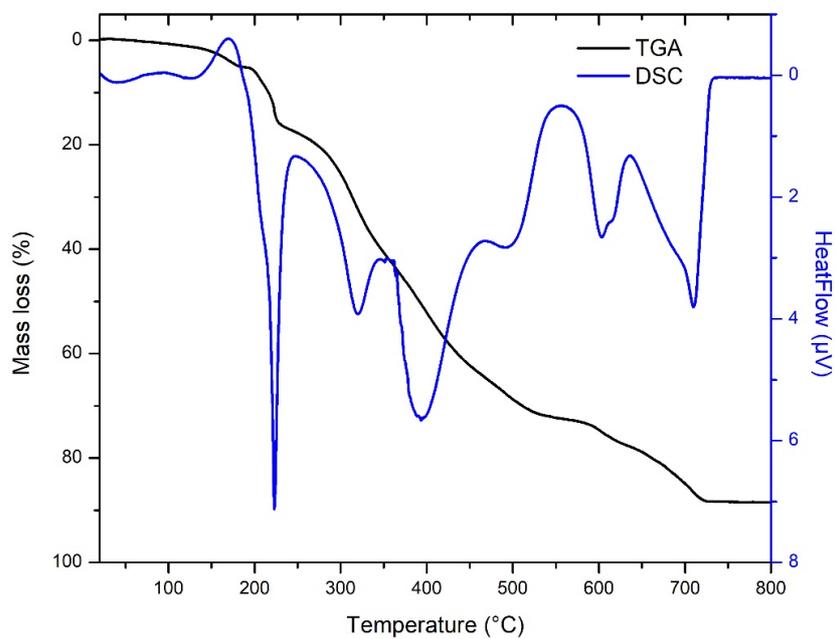
### 1) DSC/TGA DATA



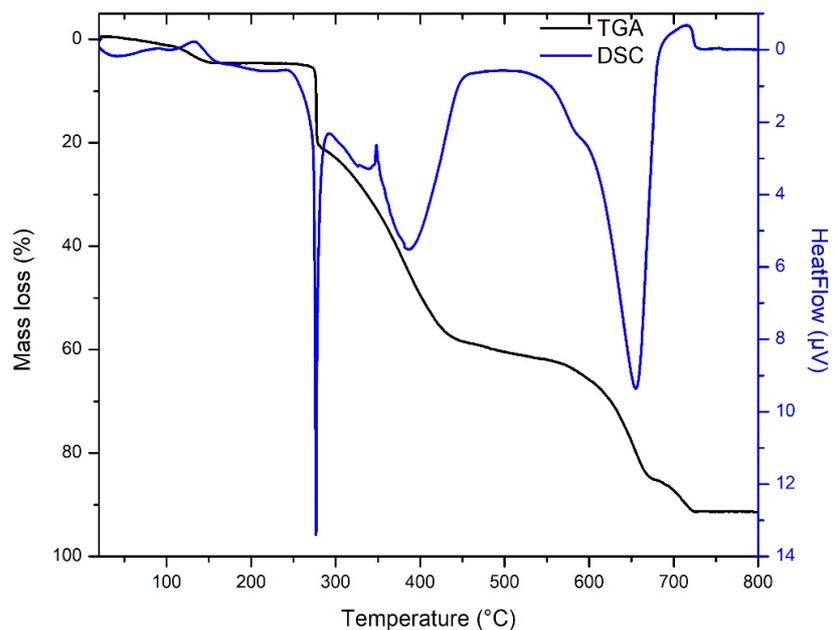
**Figure S8.** Thermogravimetry (TGA, black) and differential scanning calorimetry (DSC, blue) of pipemidic acid.



**Figure S9.** Thermogravimetry (TGA, black) and differential scanning calorimetry (DSC, blue) of complex I.



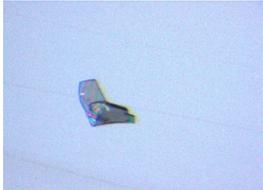
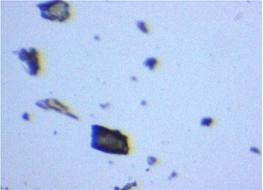
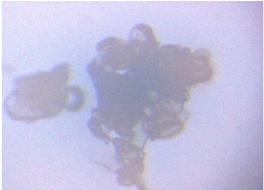
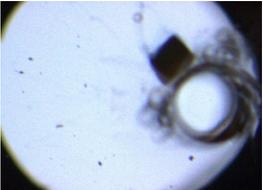
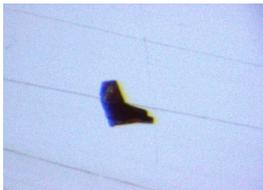
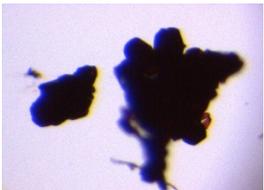
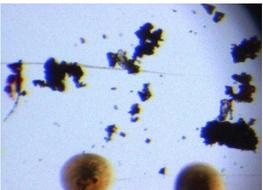
**Figure S10.** Thermogravimetry (TGA, black) and differential scanning calorimetry (DSC, blue) of complex II.



**Figure S11.** Thermogravimetry (TGA, black) and differential scanning calorimetry (DSC, blue) of complex III.

## 2) HOT-STAGE MICROSCOPY (HSM) DATA

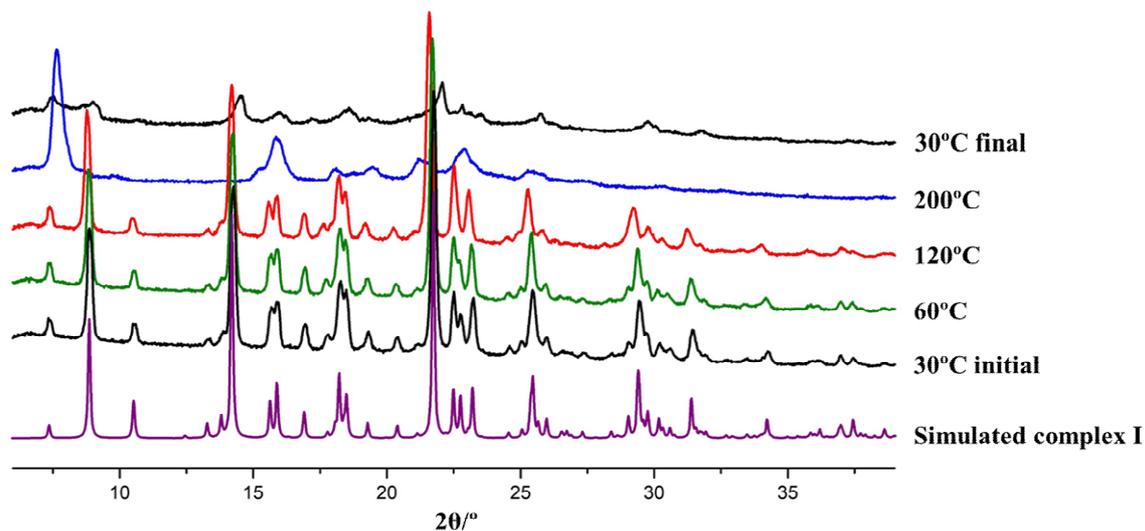
**Table S2.** Images of hot-stage microscopy data for complexes I, II and III.

Complex I	Complex II	Complex III
 T=32°C	 T=32°C	 T=32°C
 T=120°C	 T=126°C	 T=128°C
 T=260°C	 T=292°C	 T=265°C

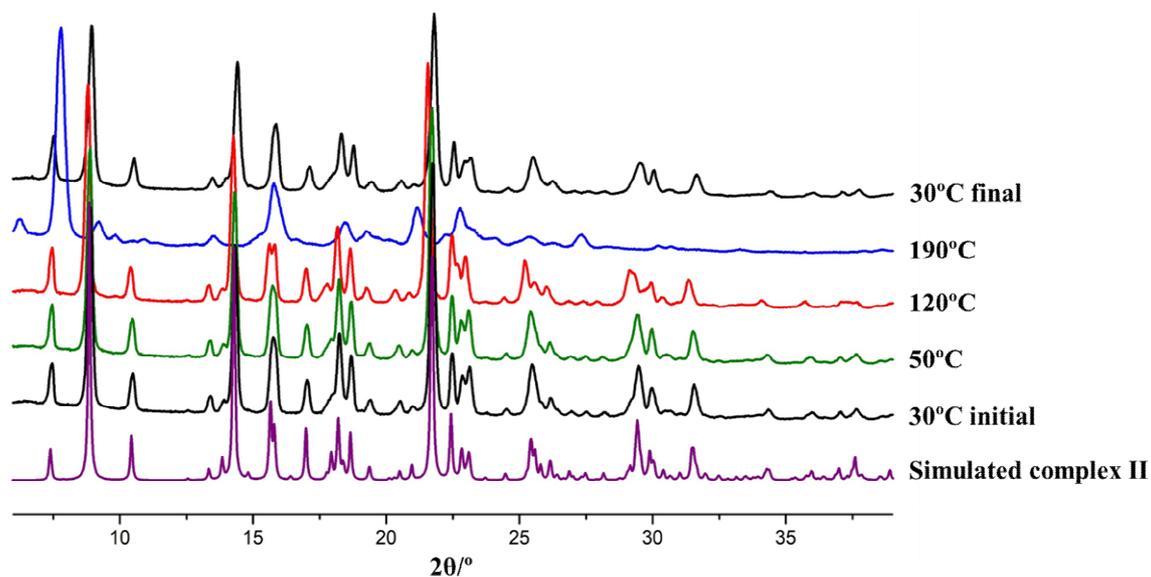
### 3) VARIABLE TEMPERATURE POWDER X-RAY DIFFRACTION (VT-PXRD) DATA

**Table S3.** Temperature variation of crystallinity of complexes I, II and III.

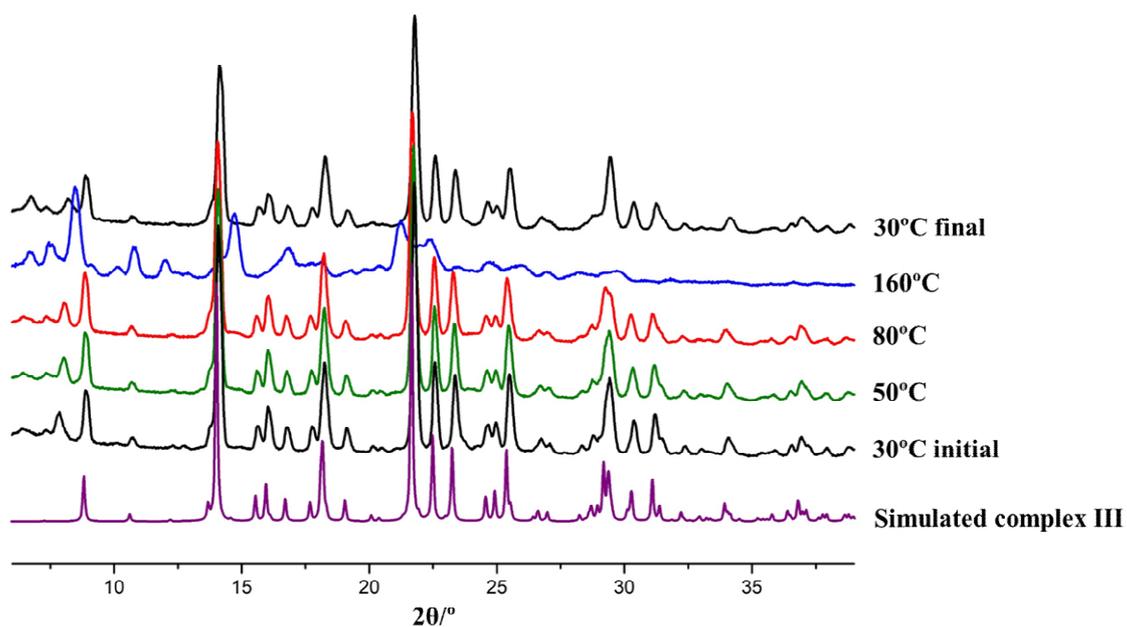
Compound	Complex I				
Temperature (°C)	30	60	120	200	30
Crystallinity (%)	93.5	92.2	89.6	61.5	58.2
Compound	Complex II				
Temperature (°C)	30	50	120	190	30
Crystallinity (%)	95.5	95.9	93.1	83.6	93.2
Compound	Complex III				
Temperature (°C)	30	50	80	160	30
Crystallinity (%)	94.4	93.8	94.3	80.0	93.2



**Figure S12.** Variable temperature powder X-ray diffraction of complex I recorded at five different temperatures and displaying different crystallinity patterns.



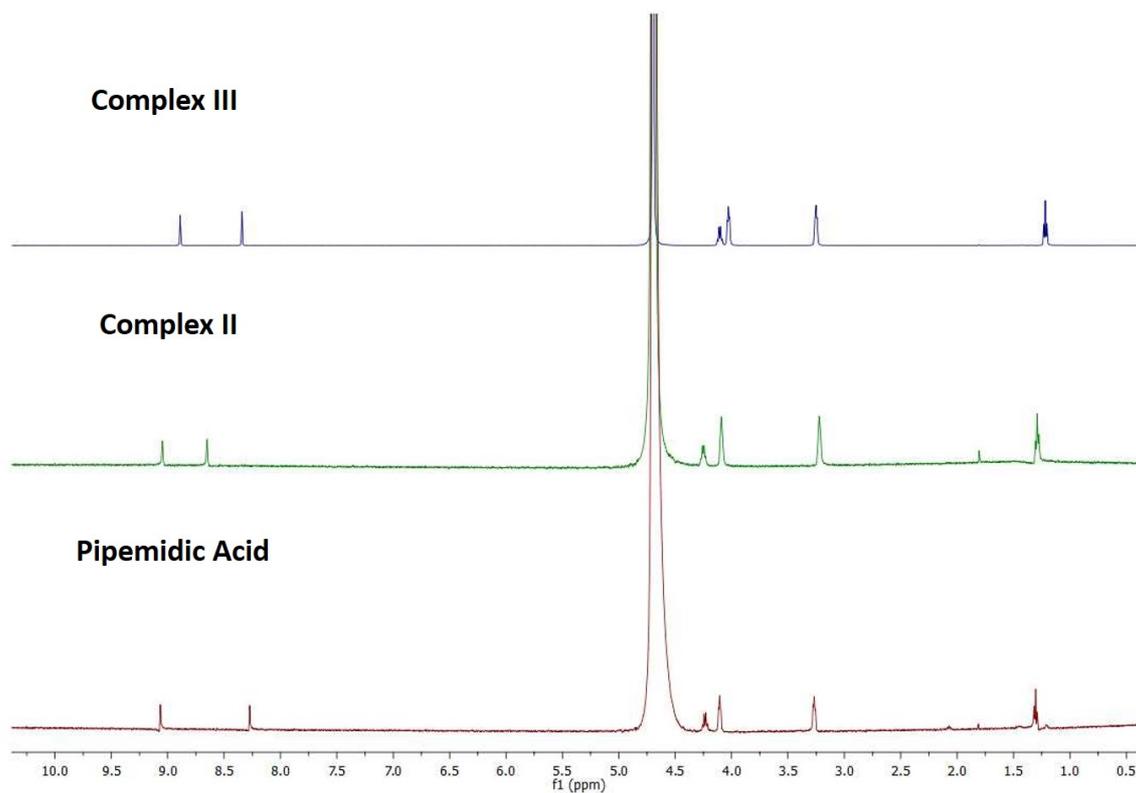
**Figure S13.** Variable temperature powder X-ray diffraction of complex **II** recorded at five different temperatures and displaying different crystallinity patterns.



**Figure S14.** Variable temperature powder X-ray diffraction of complex **III** recorded at five different temperatures and displaying different crystallinity patterns.

## NMR SPECTROSCOPY EXPERIMENTS

NMR spectroscopy experiments were performed to verify if the coordination of pipemidic acid on the complexes is maintained in aqueous solution.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra were obtained for complexes **II** and **III** and for free pipemidic acid in  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  (**Figure S15**). The coordination can be confirmed by observable  $^1\text{H}$  signal shifts of the coordinated pipemidic acid on the complexes compared to the spectra of the free antibiotic.



**Figure S15.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of the uncoordinated pipemidic acid, complexes **II** and **III** in  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ .