

**Syntheses of Two Co(II) and Ni(II) Complexes with
2-(1*H*-Imidazolyl-1-methyl)-1*H*-benzimidazole and 1,4-Benzenedicarboxylate Ligands
and Their Effect on Cardiac Fibroblasts Proliferation**

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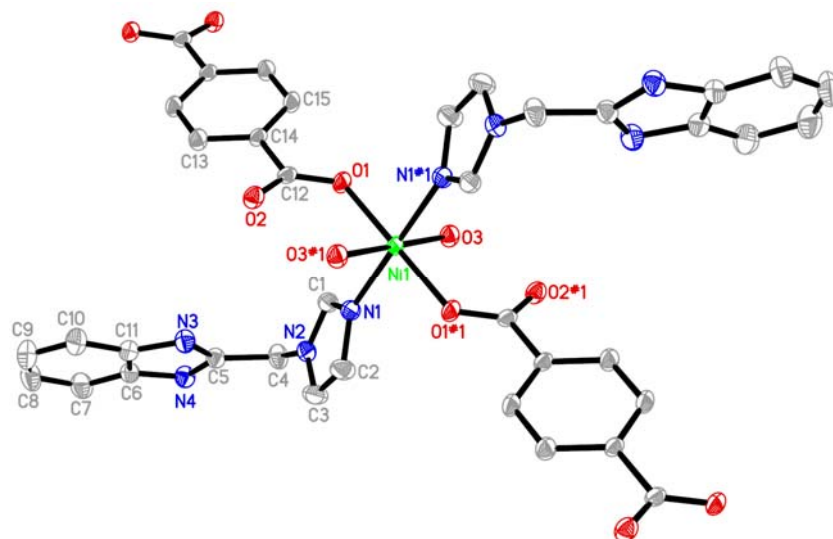
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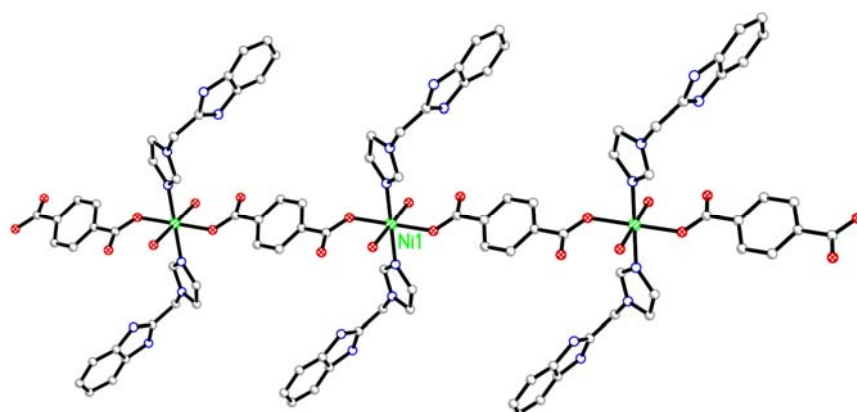
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Supporting Information

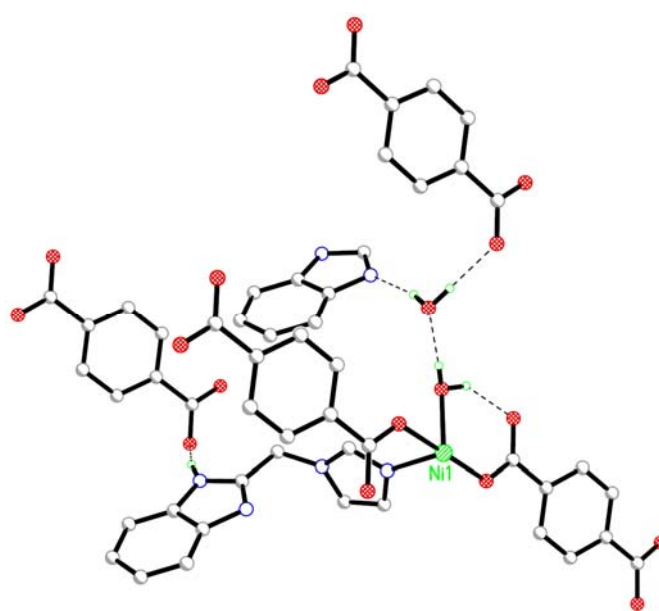
Fig. SI-1. Plots of the molecular and crystal structures of the Ni(II) complex **2**.



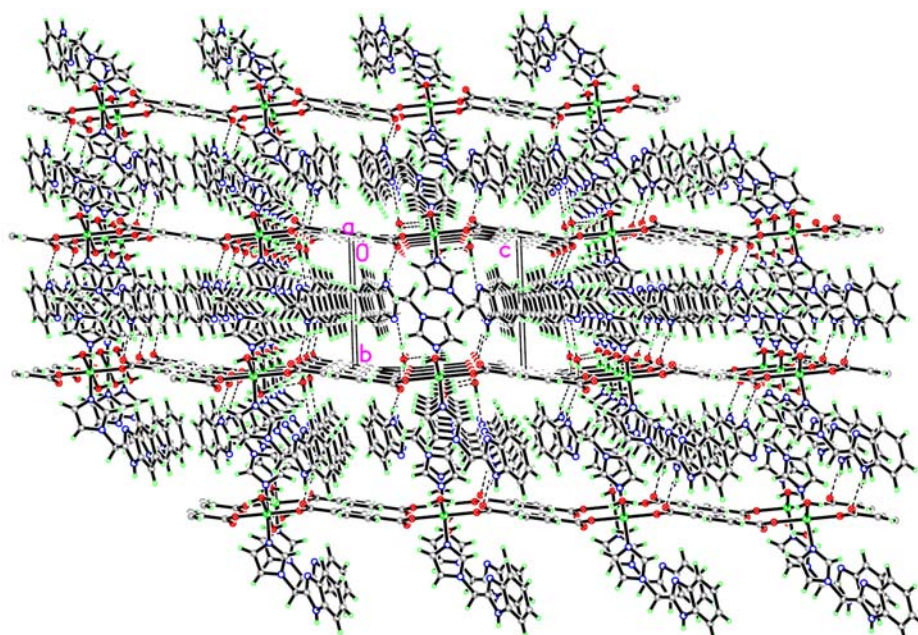
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(b)



(c)



(d)

Fig. SI-1. (a) Coordination environment of the Ni(II) centers in complex **2** with the atom numbering scheme. Uncoordinated water molecules and hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity. (b) View of the chain structure in complex **2**. (c) View of hydrogen bonds in complex **2**. (d) 3D structure of complex **2** in the solid state supported by hydrogen bonds.