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Editor's Comments

Development of Fe(II) Tetranuclear Cages: Spin Crossover and Their Ammonia Sensing Application

This month, we highlight the work of a young Mössbauer spectroscopist, **Weiyang Li**, who was awarded a PhD degree in coordination chemistry and material science from Université catholique de Louvain (UCLouvain) at the end of 2023. Dr Li recently presented an e-oral contribution titled ‘Spin state versatility in Fe(II)₄L₆ supramolecular cages with a pyridyl-hydrazone ligand scaffold modulated by solvents and counter anions’ at the ESR & Rising star e-symposium held on the occasion of the GFSM 2025 international conference organized at the end of April 2025 in Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium.

Several participants asked for the definition of ESR. ESR is an acronym which stands for ‘Early Stage Researcher’. According to the EU community, ESRs shall, at the time of recruitment by their host organization, be in the first four years (full-time equivalent research experience) of their research careers and have not been awarded a doctoral degree. These scientists form the next generation of spectroscopists who are expected to animate and enrich the future of our community. Knowing better their work will allow not only allow them to establish networking contacts but also generate future opportunities and stimulate new research ideas and concepts.

Dr. **Weiyang Li**, who was educated in China and in Belgium (Louvain-la-Neuve), returned to his home country to take an assistant professor position at the Liaoning Petrochemical University which was founded in 1950 in Dalian, China.

We wish him much success!

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