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**Effect of the size of the halide ligands on the crystal structures of halide-  
bibringed polymers of HgX<sub>2</sub> with 4-ethylpyridine**

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## Supporting information

**Table S1** Selected bond lengths, angles and torsion angles in structures **4epHgCl**, **4epHgBr**, **4epHgI** (Å, °).

	<b>4epHgCl</b>	<b>4epHgBr</b>	<b>4epHgI</b>
	M=Hg, X=Cl	M=Hg, X=Br	M=Hg, X=I
M1–N1 (Å)	2.441(6)	2.436(7)	2.373(7)
M1–X1 (Å)	2.3562(18)	2.4815(8)	2.6269(6)
M1–X2 (Å)	2.3471(18)	2.4732(8)	2.6576(6)
M1–X2 <sup>i</sup> (Å)	-	-	3.1949(6)
X2–M1 <sup>ii</sup> (Å)	-	-	3.1949(6)
N1–M1–X2(°)	98.16(15)	98.28(16)	101.05(17)
N1–M1–X1 (°)	94.51(15)	97.73(16)	105.63(17)
X2–M1–X1 (°)	-	163.92(3)	151.07(19)
X2 <sup>i</sup> –M1–X1 <sup>i</sup> (°)	-	-	96.216(19)
N1–M1–X2 <sup>i</sup>	-	-	89.85(18)
X1–M1–X2 <sup>i</sup>	-	-	96.841(18)
X2–M1–X2 <sup>i</sup>	-	-	94.841(18)
M1–X2–M1 <sup>ii</sup>	-	-	94.844(15)
C5–N1–M1(°)	120.6(5)	121.2(5)	119.8(6)
C1–N1–M1(°)	120.8(5)	121.1(6)	122.2(5)
C7–C6–C3 (°)	115.9(7)	114.0(7)	116.5(8)
M1–N1–C1–C2 (°)	175.2(5)	-178.2(6)	-175.3(8)
M1–N1–C5–C4 (°)	-174.1(6)	176.2(6)	174.8(9)

i:  $\frac{1}{4}-x, \frac{1}{4}+y, \frac{1}{4}+z$  ii:  $x+1/4, -y+1/4, z-3/4$

**Table S2** Weak C–H $\cdots$ X hydrogen bonding parameters [°] for structures **4epHgCl**, **4epHgBr** and **4epHgI**.

Structure	D–H $\cdots$ A (Å)	d(D–H) (Å)	d(H $\cdots$ A) (Å)	d(D $\cdots$ A) (Å)	$\angle$ (DHA) (°)	Symmetry Operator
<b>4epHgCl</b>	C1–H1 $\cdots$ Cl1	0.95	2.88	3.527(8)	126.2	
	C1–H1 $\cdots$ Br1	0.95	3.04	3.708(9)	128.7	
<b>4epHgBr</b>	C2–H2 $\cdots$ Br1 <sup>i</sup>	0.95	3.03	3.961(8)	165.5	i: $-x+2, -y+1, -z+1$
	C5–H5 $\cdots$ Br2	0.95	3.04	3.723(8)	129.6	
<b>4epHgI</b>	C5–H5 $\cdots$ I2	0.95	3.21	3.883(9)	129.8	ii: $x+1/4, -y+1/4, z-3/4$
	C5–H5 $\cdots$ I1 <sup>ii</sup>	0.95	3.32	4.130(9)	144.1	