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"Gott gibt die Nüsse. Aber er knackt sie nicht auf." (Johann Wolfgang von Goethe) Contents

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### **ABBREVIATIONS**

Å Ångstrom

ADP anisotropic displacement parameters

Bz benzyl

calc. calculated

CCD charge coupled device

Cp Cyclopentadienyl

e.g. for example

esd experimental standard deviation

Et ethyl

 $Et_2O$  diethyl ether GoF goodness of fit

h hour(s)

Hal halogen atom

IμS Incoatec Microfocus Source

M molarMe methyl

MeLi methyl lithium

MS mass spectrometry

<sup>n</sup>Bu *normal*-buthyl

<sup>n</sup>BuLi *normal*-buthyl lithium

NMR nuclear magnetic resonance

Ph phenyl Pic picolyl

ppm parts per million

R hydrogen atom or alkyl or aryl group

rt room temperature

<sup>t</sup>Bu *tert*-butyl

<sup>t</sup>BuLi *tert*-butyl lithium

tube sealed tube

THF tetrahydrofuran

TMEDA tetramethylethylenediamine

vs. versus

# **LIST OF COMPOUNDS**

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**12**: R = <sup>t</sup>Bu, D = THF **13**: R = <sup>t</sup>Bu, D = THF

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**17**: R = Me, X = Br **18**: R = <sup>n</sup>Bu, X = Cl

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**22**: R = methyl, X = Br, D = THF; **23**: R = <sup>n</sup>butyl, X = Cl; D = THF, **24**: R = phenyl, X = Cl; D = THF, **25**: R = benzyl, X = Cl, D = THF, **26**: R = methyl, X = Br, D = Et<sub>2</sub>O

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## 1 GENERAL INTRODUCTION

Catalysis is a synonym for acceleration or progress and now more than ever a crucial part of our world. The word catalysis is derived from the Greek word " $\kappa\alpha\tau\alpha\lambda\nu\sigma\iota\zeta$ " meaning *unbind* or *repeal*. Today a catalyst is defined as: "A substance that increases the rate of a chemical reaction without itself undergoing any permanent chemical change".<sup>[1]</sup>

Nearly every chemical reaction performed on an industrial scale today uses catalysts, but the triumphal procession of catalysis started a long time ago. Catalytic reactions have been known and used by mankind since the very origins of civilization long before any chemical concepts were in place. One of the first catalyzed processes utilized by man was the production of alcohol through fermentation (see Figure 1-1).

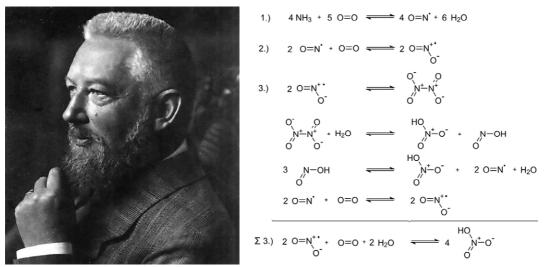
Even in this early period of time empirical experiments were made, mostly associated with food production. Although the first mentioning of a catalytic process reaches back to the eighth century, when the Arabic alchemist *Jabir ibn Haiyan* explained the synthesis of ether by



**Figure 1-1:** Fermentation of fruits, one of the first catalyzed reactions used by mankind.

dehydration of alcohol with the help of mineral acid, an understanding of catalytic processes was not developed before the early 1800s. *Davy* in 1817<sup>[2]</sup> and *Döbereiner* around 1823<sup>[3,4]</sup> found platinum to be an effective catalyst for reacting gaseous mixtures. While *Davy* developed a safety lamp for miners, *Döbereiner* designed the prototype of a lighter. In spite of these findings it took another decade before *Berzelius* in 1835 introduced the term "catalysis" or "catalytic force". <sup>[5]</sup> Although the scientists of this time were not sure how catalysis worked, it became more and more important in the course of the industrialization. Prominent examples are the production of ammonia from elemental hydrogen and nitrogen developed by *Haber*<sup>[6,7]</sup> or the oxidation of ammonia to nitric acid found by *Ostwald*. <sup>[8]</sup> Opposed views concerning catalysis and how it worked hindered the search for an explanation for quite some time. The different opinions about the driving force behind catalysis

ranged from a *vis occulta*<sup>[9]</sup> similar to the *vis vitalis*<sup>[10]</sup> to the idea that the catalyst could transfer some of its attributes to the reagents of a reaction. This debate was ended by *Ostwald* (see Figure 1-2) who found out that catalysis is a kinetically controlled phenomenon and therefore stated: "Catalysis is the acceleration of a slowly proceeding chemical reaction through a foreign substance".<sup>[11,12]</sup>



**Figure 1-2:** Picture of Ostwald (left) and the chemical reactions taking place during the Ostwald procedure for the synthesis of nitric acid (right).

After finding that catalysis does not lead to a totally different reaction pathway but only accelerates the existing one, it was now possible to try to quantify catalysis instead of qualifying it. For his findings in the field of catalysis *Ostwald* received the *Nobel* Prize in 1909.<sup>[13]</sup> At the same time a subdivision into homogeneous, heterogeneous and biological (enzymatic) catalysis was introduced. The heterogeneous catalysts, impelled by the discoveries of *Langmuir*, who found that chemisorption is an integral part for heterogeneous catalysis (see Figure 1-3),<sup>[14]</sup> flourished in the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century bringing forth such catalytic processes like the *Fischer-Tropsch* reaction<sup>[15]</sup> which opened the way for the conversion of nearly all sources of carbon *via* synthesis gas to alkanes, alkenes and alkanols. Further important reactions under the participation of heterogeneous catalysts are the first industrial steam-reforming processes pioneered by *Houdry*<sup>[16]</sup> or the first *Ziegler-Natta* polymerizations (1953).<sup>[17,18]</sup> Even today the *Langmuir-Hinshelwood* mechanisms<sup>[19]</sup> are of importance to scientists trying to scale up laboratory projects to industrial scale processes.<sup>[20,21]</sup>

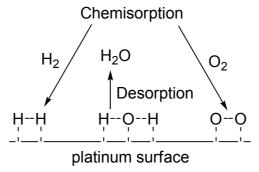


Figure 1-3: Detonating gas synthesis as example for the effect of heterogeneous catalysts.

Another important finding in the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century was the concept of the active site in catalysts discovered by *Taylor*. Although it was not used to its full extent at this time it should become very important later in many catalytic processes and especially for biological catalysis where it is the central concept.<sup>[22]</sup> The advent of homogeneous catalysts began later with the *Wacker* process<sup>[23,24]</sup> and the discovery of the rhodium-based hydrogenation catalysts by *Wilkinson* (1964).<sup>[25,26]</sup> The advantage of the homogeneous over the heterogeneous catalysis is the higher efficiency because the reaction is not limited to the surface of the catalyst but can proceed in the whole reaction medium. Therefore, the homogeneous catalysts were catapulted to the forefront of research in this time.

A retrospective from the beginning to the middle of the 20<sup>th</sup> century shows how catalysis has promoted the evolution of mankind. One of the first catalyzed reactions used by the chemical industry was the *Haber-Bosch* procedure to obtain ammonia from elemental hydrogen and atmospheric nitrogen. Since ammonia is the precursor for fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides, mankind could strongly increase the yield of crop from a certain area of land. While in 1900 one farmer was feeding four persons this number had nearly tripled in 1950 and today one farmer can feed over 130 persons.<sup>[27]</sup> An additional example for the profitable development through catalysis is the cracking of oil. Thanks to new catalysts, cracking, isomerization and alkylation of crude oil were possible. With the necessary fuel at hand, motorization and aviation took place in the Thirties and Forties, making people more mobile and finally leading to globalization.

In the second half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century further insights in the fields of structure, bonding and reactivity enabled a progression from simple empirical search to rational design of catalysts. Development of the "three way catalyst", which prevented large cities from over-pollution, and the beginning of asymmetric catalysis, which was a milestone for modern medicine, are both examples for the great achievements made

in this period of time. The *Nobel* Prize awarded to *Knowles*,<sup>[28,29]</sup> *Noyori*<sup>[30,31]</sup> and *Sharpless*<sup>[32,33]</sup> in 2001 for their research in asymmetric catalysis<sup>[34]</sup> combined with the need for economic and green chemistry and the necessity of a substitute for oil as fuel for global economy further emphasizes the need for well developed catalysts in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. This is also confirmed by the following figures concerning catalysis: today more than 90 % of the industrial production of chemicals is based on catalysis.<sup>[27]</sup> In 2006 the amount of world-wide produced catalysts was about one million tons with a value of more than 12 billion U.S. dollars.<sup>[35]</sup> Taking into account that usually the value of the catalysts is less than 0.1 % of the product obtained, the global market for goods produced with the help of catalysis is worth 12 trillion U.S. dollars which is equivalent to around 40 % of the World Gross National Product.

The major part of the catalyzed reactions in the world can be allotted to the production of polymers. Polymers are one of the most important materials world-wide since their attributes can be tuned by the chain-length, tacticity or the co-polymers that can be added. This is why many different products ranging from plain bags over plastic bottles to car tires can be obtained (see Figure 1-4).



Figure 1-4: Different materials originating from polymers.

One of the most versatile techniques in respect to the variations of polymers is the *Ziegler-Natta* polymerization. Using a group 4 metal complex and a group 13 co-catalysator,<sup>[36-39]</sup> a catalytic active cationic species<sup>[40,41]</sup> is generated which is able to coordinate and insert the used olefine continuously. The use of suited catalysts not only permits the reactions to run under mild conditions but in contrast to other techniques (radical, cationic or anionic) also other properties like the molecular mass, the branching or the tacticity can be controlled.<sup>[42,43]</sup> Although the first catalysts, discovered by *Ziegler* and *Natta*, consisting of a group 4 halogen complex and an aluminum alkyl,<sup>[44]</sup> neither were especially reactive nor exhibited any selectiveness, constant development has made the *Ziegler-Natta* polymerization one of the most

used techniques even today. Shortly after the discovery by *Ziegler* and *Natta*, catalysts of the second generation (MgCl<sub>2</sub>/TiCl<sub>4</sub>/aluminiumalkyl)<sup>[45]</sup> were still not found to be very reactive but could influence the tacticity of the polymers. The next big step towards today's catalysts was made by *Kaminsky* and *Sinn*.<sup>[46,47]</sup> Although metallocene complexes were known for quite some time, the polymerization experiments of *Kaminsky* and *Sinn* revealed the true potential of this class of compounds. Using methylaluminumoxide as co-catalyst,<sup>[48]</sup> the metallocene complexes showed an activity unknown up to that day (10 to 100 times higher than the classical *Ziegler-Natta* catalysts).<sup>[49]</sup> Besides the increased activity an additional advantage of the metallocene complexes is that the active species is only one molecule and not a composite, which is why they were termed "single-site catalysts".<sup>[50]</sup>

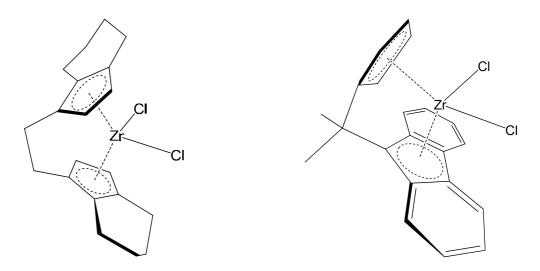


Figure 1-5: Ansa-metallocene catalysts yielding isotactic (left) and syndiotactic (right) polymers.

In contrast to the composites used before, it was now possible to control the tacticity of the polymers even better by the introduction of chiral ligands. Some of the most prominent examples for metallocene catalysts are the *ansa*-metallocenes developed in the late Eighties. Depending on the used *ansa*-metallocene (see Figure 1-5) isotactic<sup>[51]</sup> or syndiotactic<sup>[52]</sup> polymers can be obtained. Constant development lowered the consumption of the catalysts and the co-catalyst significantly. Today one mole of catalyst (*e. g.* zirkonocenes) is sufficient to synthesize 875 tons of a polymer with defined tacticity<sup>[27]</sup> while some catalysts are very active even at a low ratio of co-catalyst to catalyst.<sup>[53,54]</sup> Additionally, it is now possible to introduce copolymers into the product resulting in new polymers with interesting attributes.<sup>[55-58]</sup>

But all these syntheses are only possible if the right catalyst is used. However, to obtain the mentioned catalysts, not only a central metal atom is needed. First and foremost a suitable ligand is needed to make catalysts work. The demands for a ligand are numerous and versatile. It needs to stabilize the metal atom in the right oxidation state, make the catalyst soluble, leave enough space at the reactive site and block the pathways for wrong substrates. Furthermore, it is desirable that the ligand is adaptive and is able to coordinate more than one metal because bimetallic and heterobimetallic complexes are often found to be superior to their monometallic counterparts. [59,60] Last but not least it is desirable that a center of chirality can be introduced so that asymmetric catalysis is also possible.

Sulfuriimides and their corresponding monoanions fulfill all of the above described requirements. By isoelectronic replacement of the oxygen atom in sulfur oxo anions by a NR group, one obtains the corresponding sulfurimides. This kinship already illustrates the adaptability of this class of ligands since according to *Langmuir*<sup>[61,62]</sup> isoelectronic compounds often resemble the original ones in many properties (e. g. coordination chemistry). As expected, the sulfur-nitrogen compounds show various coordination motifs as depicted in several reviews.<sup>[63-65]</sup> In addition Figure 1-6 further illustrates the flexibility of the diimidosulfinates.<sup>[66-69]</sup>

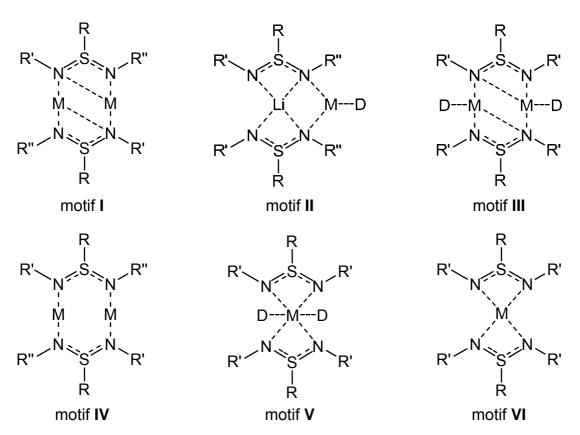


Figure 1-6: Binding modes of the diimidosulfinates (M = metal, D = donor, R,R', R" = organic group).

Although there are commonalities, the sulfurimides exhibit several traits that are different from the sulfur oxo anions and make them more suitable for the design of catalysts. Because of the NR groups the sulfur-nitrogen compounds tend to form discrete molecules instead of polymeric networks.<sup>[70-72]</sup> In addition the sulfurimides and the corresponding sulfinates and sulfonates are soluble in nearly all organic solvents and the organic groups can be used as "adjusting screws" with which the sterical demand of the ligand can be tuned. The nucleophilic addition of an organic substituent to the electro-positive sulfur atom yields the sulfinates and sulfonates. Therefore, a center of chirality can be introduced effortlessly at the sulfur atom if an asymmetric sulfurimide is used. [73-75] In addition the sulfinates and sulfonates not only show their adaptability by the large amount of possible binding modes but also through the flexibility in the positioning of the NR groups. Because of this flexibility, C-N-S-N torsion angles reaching from 0° to more than 50° can be found. [76-78] Furthermore the sulfinates and sulfonates are known to stabilize a variety of different metals in many oxidation states. [79-82] Last but not least the diimidosulfinates exhibit a sterical demand very similar to that of a cyclopentadienyl ligand and in addition they show an electronic configuration that is comparable with amidinate or  $\beta$ -diketaminate ligands which are known to stabilize a huge number of different metal atoms even in unusual oxidation states.[83-85]

Although monoanionic, the sulfinates and sulfonates can be transferred into dianionic ligands if a suitable organic substituent is added to the sulfurimide. By deprotonation of the  $\alpha$ -carbon atom it is possible to generate a second negative charge within the ligand. The resulting CR<sub>2</sub>-group is also isoelectronic to an oxygen atom making these sulfur ylides analogues to the sulfite and sulfate dianions.<sup>[72,86,87]</sup>

Taking all the above-mentioned facts into account, the sulfurimides seem to be the ideal choice as starting material for the synthesis of ligands that are capable of forming bimetallic complexes.

#### Scope of this Thesis:

The aim of this work was to synthesize ligands which are capable of coordinating several metal atoms, forming bimetallic or heterobimetallic complexes. Since sulfurimides have been studied extensively in our work group<sup>[69,78,88-90]</sup> and exhibit a lot of benefits for the synthesis of bimetallic complexes, they were to be used as starting point to obtain this goal.

Owing to their electrophilic sulfur atom nearly any nucleophile can be added to the sulfurimides yielding a variety of diimidosulfinates and triimidosulfonates. [82,91] This trait opens up a lot of possible synthetic pathways to obtain the desired ligands. Keeping this in mind, different approaches to synthesize bimetallic complexes were to be investigated in this work. At the same time the arbitrary sulfur bound group and the substituents on the nitrogen atoms leave enough possibilities to tune the molecular structure of the diimidosulfinates and triimidosulfonates. Furthermore it was to be examined how flexible the ligands react to the requirements of organic groups with variable steric demand. It has been shown in several publication that the monoanionic diimidosulfinates and triimidosulfonates are able to coordinate hard metals like lithium as well as soft metals like barium. [67,77] This feature was also to be used to broaden the field of available metals that can be coordinated by the mentioned ligands. Since the coordination capabilities of the pending imido group in triimidosulfonates have not been investigated in detail, [90] this lack of knowledge was also to be filled during this work.

Besides the described chemical experiments, a new X-ray source was to be tested. The Incoatec microfocus source (I $\mu$ S), an air-cooled 30 W microfocus sealed tube combined with graded multilayer mirrors, was to be compared with a conventional Bruker sealed tube with monocapillary. Since the I $\mu$ S was mounted on a D8-platform already equipped with the Bruker sealed tube, comparison measurements can be performed utilizing the same crystal in the same orientation. Because the I $\mu$ S exhibits a very narrow beam profile with a high flux density, small as well as large crystals were to be measured to ensure, that the measurements do not give a systematic advantage to one source. Furthermore, a variety of compounds (organic molecules, organometallic compounds and heavy metal salts) were to be employed as test crystals. In the final experiment at least two data sets were to be recorded with crystals fitting the beam diameter of each source. The comparison of these data sets should be sufficient to illuminate the abilities of both sources.

## 2 BIMETALLIC COMPLEXES

#### 2.1 Introduction

It has been known for quite some time that complexes which contain two or more metal atoms display interesting features. For example the "communication" between these metal atoms within one complex<sup>[92-95]</sup> has been a major topic for many scientists since the first discovery of Prussian Blue<sup>[96,97]</sup> or other mile stones like the finding of the *Creutz-Taube* ion (Figure 2-1).<sup>[98]</sup>

Figure 2-1: Lewis formula of the Creutz-Taube ion.

The intramolecular interactions between metals are of considerable interest for the electronic properties of materials or for electron transfer reactions in bioinorganic systems. While the search for new molecular wires<sup>[99-101]</sup> and the investigations on other electron transfer processes<sup>[102-105]</sup> mainly focus on subjects like rate constants and activation barriers, bioinorganic scientists try to model natural systems to get a better insight into the processes of biological systems.<sup>[106]</sup> One prominent example for such a system is the respiratory protein hemerythrin which can be found in several marine invertebrate phyla.<sup>[107]</sup> It has an active site with two iron atoms which upon coordination of an oxygen molecule exhibit a "one site addition two site oxidation" which means that by coordinating one substrate both metal atoms get oxidized (see Scheme 2-1).<sup>[108]</sup> To get further insight into this multi-electron oxidation would be an enormous step towards the understanding of other multi-electron processes. With this intent in mind many multi-redox systems are investigated.<sup>[109,110]</sup>

im = imidazole ligand

**Scheme 2-1:** Coordination of O<sub>2</sub> in hemerythrin

Aside from the "communication" that can be investigated, it is sometimes helpful to have more than one metal atom present in one complex. [59] Multimetallic compounds often have stronger redox abilities than their monometallic counterparts.[111] Furthermore the reductive elimination of halogens can be facilitated by bimetallic complexes. [60] to name just two examples. Another field of application is the synthesis of conjugated organometallic complexes, [102-104] polymers<sup>[112,113]</sup> and new materials. [114,115] By incorporating metals into the polymers many chemical and physical properties can be influenced. The diverse number of oxidation states and coordination geometries open up a multitude of possibilities to alter the polymers in the desired fashion. Last but not least, multimetallic compounds often exhibit greater catalytic activity than their monometallic counterparts.<sup>[59]</sup> One keyword in this regard is the "synergetic effect" that two or more metals can have on each other. This way a good catalyst can be further improved by the introduction of a second metal into the catalytic active complex. In the case of catalysts heterobimetallic complexes are often superior to their homobimetallic complements. [116-118] They are known to be excellent catalysts for a variety of reactions. The main area of application is naturally the polymerization of various alkenes<sup>[53,116,119]</sup> but also the catalytic enhancement of organic reactions. [120-122] Furthermore, oxidation reactions can be enhanced by the use of heterobimetallic catalysts. [117,123] The most prominent example for the success of two different metals in catalysis are surely the *Ziegler-Natta* catalysts. [124-126] The combination of an aluminium co-catalyst and a titanium complex makes it possible to polymerize olefines under mild conditions. Even stereospecific polymerization or polymers with defined tacticity are possible with the right catalyst. [42,43] Although up to now the two metals are added separately from each other it would be entirely reasonable to test complexes in which both metals are already present. Since the forming of the active species can then proceed intramolecular instead of intermolecular an increase in activity should be possible.

As the above described facts show, there is a vast area of application for multimetallic complexes and compounds. Therefore, it seemed feasible to examine different approaches to synthesize new ligands that are capable of coordinating more than one metal atom. As already pointed out in the introduction, the main building block for these ligands was always a sulfuriimide. The reasons for this choice are described in detail in the "Scope of this thesis". The fact that the diimidosulfinates and the triimidosulfonates are also subject to SET processes<sup>6-8</sup> made them additionally interesting for the synthesis of the multimetallic compounds.

## 2.2 Bimetallic Complexes with Cyclopentadienyl Ligands

The first strategy for the synthesis of a multimetallic complex was to make use of the cyclopentadienyl (Cp) anion, which is often employed in transition metal chemistry and is an integral part in many catalytic active complexes. [127-129] It was planned to use the Cp-anion to coordinate transition metals and a sulfurdiimide as second coordination site for main group metals.

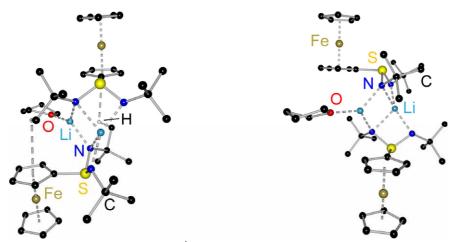
M = transition metal R = organic group

Figure 2-2: Possible reaction pathways to heterobimetallic complexes.

As Figure 2-2 shows, a sulfurdiimide was reacted either with a lithiated metallocene **a** or a Cp-anion **b**. While method **a** would lead directly to a heterobimetallic complex the product of method **b** has to be lithiated again and a second reaction with a transition metal salt has to be performed to yield the heterobimetallic complex.

First of all it was tested if the sulfurdiimides can be connected to a metallocene. After the lithiation of ferrocene a nucleophilic attack with a sulfurdiimide as electrophile yielded [(THF){Li(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SCpFeCp}<sub>2</sub>] (1).

1 crystallizes as a dimer with one lithium atom being coordinated by all four nitrogen atoms of the two diimidosulfinates resulting in a tetrahedral geometry and the other lithium atom coordinated only by one nitrogen atom of each ligand and a THF molecule resulting in a trigonal planar geometry. This structural motif is well known for diimidosulfinates and 1 exhibits no unusual bond lengths and angles. Only one of the C–S–N angles is more acute (99.3°) than in comparable structures.

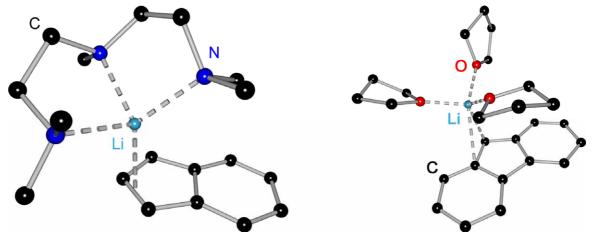


**Figure 2-3:** Crystal structure of [(THF){Li(N'Bu)<sub>2</sub>SCpFeCp}<sub>2</sub>] (1)with (left) and without (right) hydrogen bond. All hydrogen atoms except for the one forming the hydrogen bond have been omitted for clarity.

This is probably due to the interactions between one hydrogen atom of the  $^tBu$  group and the  $\pi$ -density of one Cp-anion (see Figure 2-3). Although *Roesky* showed by synthesizing  $[Cl_3Sn(N^tBu)_2SCpFeCp]^{[130]}$  that it is possible to exchange the metal coordinated by the diimidosulfinate no further experiments where made in this direction since the number of metallocenes that can be easily metallated is very limited. Besides, in most cases the coordinated transition metal atoms carry no further substituents and are mostly in the wrong oxidation state to exhibit any catalytic activity.

Therefore the more general approach **b** described in Figure 2-2 was further investigated. Although **1** shows that it is possible to add the Cp-anion to a sulfurdiimide, the reaction of lithium cyclopentadienyl and *tert*-butylsulfurdiimide afforded only the reagents. A reaction with magnesium Cp instead of lithium Cp yielded the same result. Seemingly, the Cp-anion cannot compensate for the loss of its aromatic character and therefore it does not react with the sulfurdiimide. Another reaction in which one equivalent of MeLi was added later to deprotonate the Cp substituent right after the addition and therefore restoring the aromaticity failed, too.

The results of *Reent* who investigated the structures of Cp lithium, indenyl lithium and fluorenyl lithium with different donor bases display that [(PMDETA)LiC<sub>9</sub>H<sub>7</sub>] shows in contrast to the CpLi structures a significant part of  $\sigma$ -bonding in the interactions between the lithium atom and the anion (see Figure 2-4). [131]



**Figure 2-4:** Crystal structure of [(PMDETA)LiC<sub>9</sub>H<sub>7</sub>] (left) and [(THF)<sub>3</sub>LiC<sub>13</sub>H<sub>9</sub>]<sup>[132]</sup> (right). All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

For that reason it was tried to add [(PMDETA)LiC $_9H_7$ ] to the *tert*-butylsulfurdiimide hoping that the electron density of the indenyl anion is more  $\sigma$ -localized and therefore would facilitate a reaction. Unfortunately this presumption did not prove to be true. In a last attempt to synthesize a diimidosulfinate with a sulfur bound group that is similar to Cp, fluorene was lithiated and afterwards reacted with *tert*-butylsulfurdiimide. Admittedly the fluorenyl anion looses the aromaticity at the central five-membered ring but due to the phenyl rings attached to it the loss of energy should be smaller than for the Cp anion or the indenyl. However the reaction did not yield the desired product, either. Therefore the idea of synthesizing a ligand as shown in Figure 2-2 was abandoned.

# 2.3 Coupled Diimidosulfinates

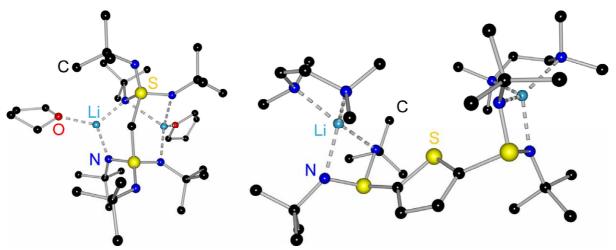
To combine two metals in one molecule it is often feasible to use *Janus*-head ligands. These ligands have the possibility to coordinate hard and soft metals by employing two different coordination sites. Since diimidosulfinates are known to be able to coordinate hard metals like lithium but also soft metals like caesium and barium and barium are an obvious choice for the design of a *Janus*-head ligand. By the linkage of two diimidosulfinates it should be possible to synthesize ligands that are capable of coordinating all kinds of different metals (see Scheme 2-2).

$$2 \quad R \xrightarrow{\overline{N}} \underbrace{\overset{\bigcirc}{S}}_{\bigoplus} \overset{\text{LiR'Li}}{R} \xrightarrow{\text{THF}} (\text{THF})_2 \text{Li} \xrightarrow{S} \overset{\bigcirc}{R} \overset{\bigoplus}{R} \overset{\bigoplus}{N} \overset{\longrightarrow}{N} \overset{\bigoplus}{N} \overset{\bigoplus}{N} \overset{\bigoplus}{N} \overset{\bigoplus}{N} \overset{\bigoplus}{N} \overset{\bigoplus}{N} \overset{\bigoplus}{N} \overset{\bigoplus}{N}$$

Scheme 2-2: Synthesis of coupled diimidosulfinates.

In addition, the tendency of the diimidosulfinates to dimerize could in the case of coupled diimidosulfinates lead to possible metal containing polymers.

Earlier investigations in our group already showed that it is possible to connect two sulfurdiimides by an organic spacer (see Figure 2-5). *Walfort* succeeded in coupling two sulfurdiimides and also two sulfurtriimides by a methylene bridge. [72,140] *Selinka* was able to achieve the same with a thiophene, dithiophene and a selenophene bridge. [91] Because of these results the attempt to broaden this field of organic spacers seemed promising.



**Figure 2-5:** Crystal structures of a coupled triimidosulfonate (left) and a coupled diimidosulfinate (right). All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

The metal exchange reactions of the described coupled lithium diimidosulfinates were up to this point totally uninvestigated. *Walfort* as well as *Selinka* only synthesized the lithium complexes. Therefore, studies on the reaction with different metal halogens and metal amides were of special interest.

#### 2.3.1 Diimidobenzenyl- and diimidobiphenylsulfinates

Since aryl groups are more rigid and therefore tend to give less intramolecular side reactions when doubly metalated, [141,142] it seemed to be an obvious choice to employ aromatic frameworks like dibromobenzene and dibromobiphenyl as organic spacers (see Figure 2-6). In addition, aromatic spacers are suitable "wires" for the electron transfer processes between two metal atoms. [143] Another advantage of the mentioned aryl groups is the possibility to use different regioisomers. By the use of either 1,4-dibromobenzene and 1,3-dibromobenzene or biphenyl and 4,4'-dibromobiphenyl it is possible to vary the distance of the coordination sites and thereby also the space between both metal atoms. With this strategy in mind the organic groups where lithiated and reacted with different sulfurdiimides.

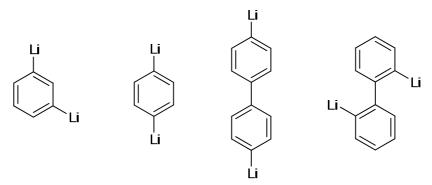
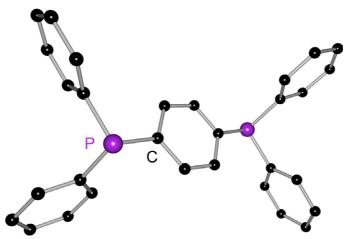


Figure 2-6: Lithiated spacers for the synthesis of coupled diimidosulfinates.

For the synthesis of the coupled lithium diimidosulfinates 1,4-dibromobenzene, 1,3-dibromobenzene, 2,2'-dibromobiphenyl and 4,4'-dibromobiphenyl were twofold lithiated with  $^n$ BuLi or  $^t$ BuLi in the case of the dibromobenzene compounds. Unfortunately, the reactions of 2,2'-dilithiumbiphenyl and 1,3-dilithiumbenzene with sulfurdiimides did not afford the desired products. The reason for this is probably the smaller distance between the lithiated positions. Apparently, there is not enough space for the addition of two sulfurdiimides. The other spacers reacted readily with the sulfurdiimides (see Scheme 2-3) and yielded the coupled diimidosulfinates  $[(THF)_4Li_2\{(NSiMe_3)_2S\}_2C_{12}H_8]$  (2) and  $[(THF)_{1.5}Li_2\{(NSiMe_3)_2S\}_2C_{12}H_8]_{\infty}$  (3).

Scheme 2-3: Synthesis of coupled lithium diimidosulfinates.

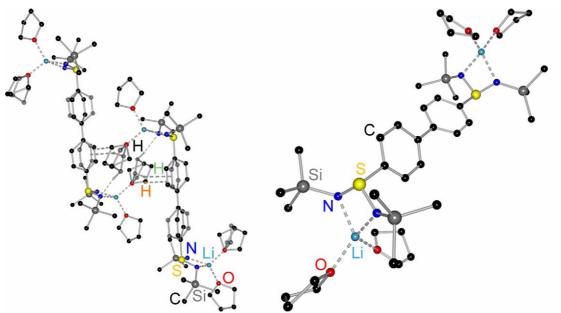
Unfortunately, [{(THF)<sub>2</sub>Li(NR)<sub>2</sub>S}<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>] could not be isolated and characterized due to the inevitable forming of lithium bromide during the synthesis of 1,4-dilithiumbenzene. Several attempts to separate the lithium bromide or prevent its accruement during the course of the synthesis failed. It seems that the twofold lithiated benzene is highly reactive and attacks the formed RBr (R = n-butyl, tert-butyl) yielding lithium bromide. [144] Attempts to separate the lithium bromide from the product by using polar solvents failed, too. This indicates that the formed lithium salt gets coordinated by the 1,4-dilithiumbenzene and so evades the separation. This hampers further experiments since the molecular weight is unknown and the amount of 1,4-dilithiumbenzene appointed for a reaction can not be determined. In addition, this makes it nearly impossible to get reliable evidence of the forming of [{(THF)<sub>2</sub>Li(NR)<sub>2</sub>S}<sub>2</sub>Ph] from NMR spectra since they are not free of side products, as it is not possible to make equimolar reactions. The crystal structure could also not be obtained since the lithium bromide crystallizes a lot better then the lithium diimidosulfinate. Due to this problems the 1,4-dilithiumbenzene was reacted with diphenylchlorphosphane to validate if the lithiation was successful. The reaction yielded 1,4-diphenylphosphanylbenzene (4) that apparently crystallizes better than the lithium bromide and could therefore be structurally characterized (see Figure 2-7).



**Figure 2-7:** Crystal structure of  $[\{(Ph)_2P\}_2C_6H_4]$  (4). All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

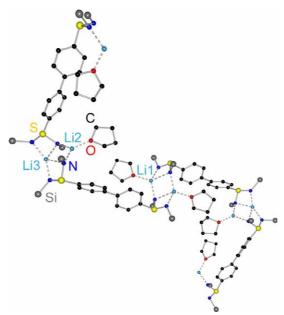
As expected the structure shows a trigonal-pyramidal geometry around the phosphorous atom and both diphenylphosphane units arranged *trans* to each other. The bond lengths and angles within the molecule exhibit no unusual values. The formation of **4** shows that the twofold lithiation took place and that a reaction with an electrophile is possible.

In comparison to the dilithiated benzene 4,4'-dilithiumbiphenyl seems to be less reactive and therefore no lithium bromide is formed during the synthesis. The reaction of 4,4'-dilithiumbiphenyl with sulfurdiimides yielded the coupled diimidosulfinates 2 and 3. Remarkably, 2 crystallizes at -30 °C in the triclinic space group  $P\overline{1}$  (see Figure 2-8) with half of the molecule in the asymmetric unit. In contrast to most of the diimidosulfinates described in the literature, the molecule does not dimerize but accomplishes the favored fourfold coordination of the lithium atom by coordination of two THF molecules. Up to now, monomeric diimidosulfinates were only know with a bidentate donor base like TMEDA.[82] Otherwise only triimidosulfonates or the  $S(N^tBu)_4^{2-}$  anion are known to crystallize as monomers when THF is the only donor base present. [70,90] 2 shows a disorder of the coordinated THF molecules and the biphenyl framework. Interestingly the percentages of both disorders are exactly the same. A look at the packing plot reveals the cause of this feature. The disorder of the THF molecules induces the disorder at the central phenyl rings and *vice versa* by hydrogen bonds to the  $\pi$ -system (Figure 2-8 left). The system can either form one stronger hydrogen bond with the  $\pi$ -system (orange hydrogen: 2.97 Å) or two hydrogen bonds the one with the  $\pi$ -system being a little bit weaker (green hydrogen: 3.09 Å) and another one with one of the nitrogen atoms (black hydrogen: 3.01 Å).



**Figure 2-8:** Crystal structure of [(THF)<sub>4</sub>Li<sub>2</sub>{(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S}<sub>2</sub>C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>8</sub>] (**2**) with (left) and without (right) hydrogen bonds. All hydrogen atoms except for the ones forming the hydrogen bonds have been omitted for clarity.

When the reaction of dilithiumbiphenyl with trimethylsilylsulfurdiimide is carried out in a 1:1 THF/hexane mixture and the saturated solution is stored at room temperature, 3 is obtained. In contrast to 2 it oligomerizes (see Figure 2-9) as one would expect from previous known lithium diimidosulfinate structures [67,68,140] and forms polymeric chains in the solid state. Interestingly, 3 shows two different coordination geometries depending on the dimerization course. On one side of the biphenyl framework the oligomerized molecules are arranged linear to each other while on the other side the molecules are aligned nearly perpendicular (99.4°). When the biphenyl groups are perpendicular to each other one lithium atom is coordinated by two nitrogen atoms of both molecules while the second one is coordinated by one nitrogen atom of each ligand and a THF molecule. This results in a distorted tetrahedral geometry for the first lithium atom and a trigonal planar for the second one. When the ligands are arranged linear to each other a step-shaped coordination motif is formed. Both lithium atoms are coordinated by two nitrogen atoms of one ligand, one nitrogen atom of the other ligand and one THF molecule resulting in a tetrahedral geometry around the metal atoms (see Figure 2-9).



**Figure 2-9:** Part of the crystal structure of  $[(THF)_{1.5}Li_2\{(NSiMe_3)_2S\}_2C_{12}H_8]_{\infty}$  (3). All hydrogen atoms and the carbon atoms of the trimethylsilyl groups have been omitted for clarity.

Both structural motifs are known for lithium diimidosulfinates and the bond lengths and angles are mostly in the normal range compared with the structures already described in the literature. [139,145] When comparing the bond lengths and angles of 3 with [(THF)Li(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SPh]<sub>2</sub> which also exhibits the mentioned step-shaped structural motif, it is noticeable that the N-S-N backbone does not change significantly, only the distances around the lithium atoms differ slightly (see Table 2-1). For the step-shaped alignment in 3 the shortest Li–N distance (1.98 Å) is shorter by 0.03 Å while the longest Li–N bond (2.42 Å) is longer by 0.03 Å compared to [(THF)Li(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SPh]<sub>2</sub>. The second motif exhibited by **2** can also be observed in [(Et<sub>2</sub>O){Li(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SPh}<sub>2</sub>].<sup>[76]</sup> While the Li2-N and Li2-O distances are nearly the same in both structures, the differences in the coordination of Li3 are more distinct. Comparison with [(Et<sub>2</sub>O){Li(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SPh}<sub>2</sub>] shows that both Li3–N distances are clearly shorter in 3. The change of the donating solvent from Et<sub>2</sub>O to THF seems not to be the reason for the differences since the bond lengths around Li2 are similar in both structures. This leaves only the polymeric form of 3 as a reason for the distinctions.

Taking a look at the three different lithium atoms present in **3**, it is apparent that the Li–N and Li–O distances around Li2 are the shortest. Since Li2 exhibits only three instead of four coordinative bonds it has to make up for it by stronger and therefore shorter bonds. Especially the Li–O distance is 0.06 Å shorter than in **2** and even 0.09 Å shorter than the Li1–O bond in **3**.

<b>Table 2-1:</b> Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles for <b>2</b> , <b>3</b> , [(THF)Li(NSiMe <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> SPh] <sub>2</sub> and
$[(Et_2O)\{Li(NSiMe_3)_2SPh\}_2].$

Compound	2	3	[(THF)Li(NSiMe <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> SPh] <sub>2</sub>	$[(Et_2O)\{Li(NSiMe_3)_2SPh\}_2]$
Distances				
S-N (av.)	1.601(2)	1.600(4)	1.610(2)	1.609(3)
S-C (av.)	1.810(2)	1.793(4)	1.803(3)	1.808(4)
Li1–N	2.040(2)	1.989(8)	2.022(5)	
	2.040(3)	2.426(8)	2.393(5)	
	2.082(3)	2.055(8)	2.054(5)	
Li2-N		2.019(8)		2.033(5)
Lio M		2.199(8)		2.245(5)
Li3–N		1.984(5)		1.994(3)
1:4.0	1.941(3)	4.072/0\	4.074/5\	
Li1–O	1.947(4)	1.973(8)	1.974(5)	
Li2-O		1.886(13)		1.897(9)
Angles				
N-S-N (av.)	104.0(1)°	105.9(2)°	105.9(1)°	105.7(1)°
C-S-N (av.)	103.0(1)°	103.2(2)°	104.3(1)°	103.0(3)°

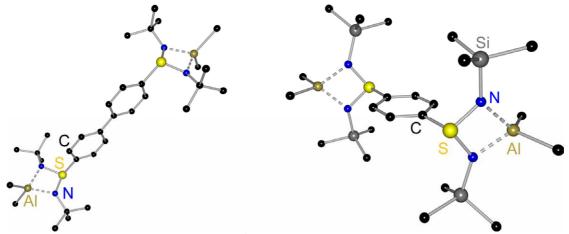
Finally, the fact that both compounds can be crystallized shows that the energy difference between 2 and 3 must be rather small. From the variety of known dimeric diimidosulfinates it is evident that 3 exhibits a favorable coordination for the lithium atoms but what is the reasons for the existence of 2. An explanation might be the formation of hydrogen bonds in the solid state. While in 3 only intramolecular hydrogen bonds can be found, in 2 the stability of the solid state structure is further enhanced by intermolecular hydrogen bonds (see Figure 2-8).

As mentioned before, up to now only lithium complexes of the coupled imidosulfinates where known. Therefore extensive metal exchange reactions of the synthesized coupled diimidosulfinates where carried out. To accomplish the synthesis of the desired bimetallic complex various metal halogens and metal amides of aluminum, calcium, tin, zinc, titanium and copper where reacted with the lithium complexes. Unfortunately the lithium precursors seem to be extremely stable. Therefore, nearly all reactions yielded only the reactant or unidentifiable product mixtures. A possible explanation can be concluded from the structure of 3. Apparently the coupled lithium diimidosulfinates have the potential to polymerize thereby possibly forming stable polymeric molecules in solution. Because of the extensive polymers the metal exchange reaction is probably not easy from a steric point of view. In addition, the exchange of a lithium atom with another metal atom does not lead to a new discrete molecule but only to a lithium polymer doped with another metal. Therefore, the formation of a single product is somewhat hindered. Even if the polymer gets terminated, no unitary product could be isolated, but only polymers of different chain lengths. These facts plus the strong Li–N interactions might prevent a metal exchange or the isolation of a defined product.

In spite of all failed experiments, the reaction with dimethylaluminumchloride was successful. The lithium diimidosulfinates were treated with half an equivalent of AlMe<sub>2</sub>Cl at -78 °C (see Scheme 2-4). The reactions proceeded smoothly and afforded [ $\{Me_2Al(N^tBu)_2S\}_2C_{12}H_8$ ] (5) and [ $\{Me_2Al(NSiMe_3)_2S\}_2C_6H_4$ ] (6).

Scheme 2-4: Synthesis of 5 and 6.

Both compounds could be crystallized and structurally characterized. Although only half an equivalent was used for the exchange both lithium positions got replaced by dimethylaluminum. In the case of 6 the amount of the used lithium diimidosulfinat could not be determined unequivocally due to reasons discussed earlier but since the molecular mass of 2 was known, it seems that the exchange reaction with dimethylaluminumchloride is not selective enough to substitute only one lithium atom. 5 and 6 show nearly the same structural motif. The N–S–N planes exhibit a similar angle to the aromatic spacer planes (120.0° for 5 and 125.1° for 6) and in both structures the two sulfurdiimido moieties are arranged *trans* to each other (see Figure 2-10). Both aluminum atoms show a tetrahedral geometry with the N–Al–N angle being clearly smaller than the ideal tetrahedral angle and all other angles around the metal atom being slightly larger.



**Figure 2-10:** Crystal structure of  $[\{Me_2Al(N^tBu)_2S\}_2C_{12}H_8]$  (5) (left) and  $[\{Me_2Al(NSiMe_3)_2S\}_2C_6H_4]$  (6) (right). All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

All bond lengths and angles are similar and in the same range as other known aluminum imido sulfur complexes. [90,146] Only small differences can be seen in the S–N and Al–N bond lengths (see Table 2-2). In **5** the S–N bond length are elongated by 0.02 Å while the N–Al bond lengths are shortened by the same distance. This is due to the negative charge on the nitrogen atom that is used to strengthen either the bond to the aluminum atom or to the sulfur atom. These small differences arise probably due to the change of the organic group at the nitrogen atoms from *tert*-butyl to trimethylsilyl and the change of the organic spacer.

**2** and both aluminum diimidosulfinates exhibit nearly the same structural motif (see Figure 2-10). Only the metal and the two donor groups (from THF to methyl) are changed otherwise the geometry is preserved.

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Table 2-2: Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for 5	and <b>6</b> .

Compound	5	6	Compound	5	6
Distances			Angles		
S-N1	1.6435(17)	1.6219(21)			
S-N2	1.6481(18)	1.6246(23)	N-S-N	91.17(9)	94.94(12)
S-C	1.7955(20)	1.8005(23)			
AI–N1	1.9082(17)	1.9291(17)	N-AI-N	75.90(7)	76.49(10)
AI–N2	1.9148(19)	1.9355(17)			
AI–C	1.9574(29)	1.9580(29)	C-S-N	105.71(9)	105.05(11)
	1.9803(25)	1.9588(32)	U-U-IN	106.30(9)	105.36(11)

When comparing the lithium diimidosulfinates with **5** and **6** the only differences that can be seen lie in the M–N bond lengths (average Li: 2.04 Å *vs.* average Al: 1.92 Å) and resulting from this distinction the N–S–N angles (average Li: 103° *vs.* average Al: 93°) are also different. If the metal–nitrogen bonds are shortened the sulfur–metal distances get smaller, too. To prevent both atoms from getting to close to each other the N–S–N angle is then widened. In addition the S–N bond lengths are slightly elongated in **5** and **6** (average 1.64 Å and 1.62 Å) compared to **2** and **3** (average 1.60 Å) probably because the aluminum atom acquires more of the negative charge at the nitrogen atom resulting in smaller electrostatic interactions between the sulfur atom and the nitrogen atom. Otherwise the distances and angles in the ligands are the same.

The described experiments showed that the organic compounds 1,4-dibromobenzene, 1,3-dibromobenzene, biphenyl and 4,4'-dibromobiphenyl can be easily twofold lithiated. Due to steric hindrance only 1,4-dilithiumbenzene and 4,4'-dilithiumbiphenyl react with sulfurdiimides to give the coupled diimidosulfinates 2, 3, 5 and 6. The reactions showed that aryl groups are perfect candidates for the linkage of two ligands since the twofold lithiation proceeds nearly quantitive and without side reactions. The rigid body of the aryl groups makes intramolecular side reactions nearly impossible resulting in high yields and purity of the dilithiated products. Furthermore the sulfurdiimides react smoothly with the lithiated spacers resulting in the desired coupled diimidosulfinates, which are obtained in good yields.

The formation of 3 is especially interesting since it proves that the coupled diimido-sulfinates may be suitable compounds for the synthesis of metal containing polymers. When the right conditions are present the mainly monomeric coupled diimidosulfinates oligomerize. This behavior is not unexpected since the diimidosulfinates tend to crystallize as dimers when coordinating monocations as well as dications. Thus the possibilities to tune the attributes of the polymer by changing the metal atom are nearly infinite. Although the addition reactions worked out well and yielded 2 and 3 the following metal exchange reactions where unsatisfying. Most of the used metal reagents were either not reactive enough to accomplish the desired metal exchange or not selective enough to only substitute one of the two lithium atoms. This shows that although the linked diimidosulfinates seem to be good ligands for bimetallic molecules a heterobimetallic complex can probably not be synthesized that way. Therefore, one has to either find better suited metal compounds or another

way to synthesize a heterobimetallic complex. A possible idea would be to build up the molecule step by step. First a spacer has to be found which can be selectively lithiated. Then one could lithiate only one of the two possible positions, add the sulfurdiimide and make the metal exchange without worrying about the selectiveness. Afterwards the second position could be lithiated to build up the additional coordination side. A promising candidate for this kind of synthesis is 9,10-dibromoanthracene, as studies in our working group showed that is possible to selectively lithiate only one of the two carbon atoms carrying a bromine atom. [147]

#### 2.3.2 Diimidoanthracenylsulfinates

#### 2.3.2.1 Mono-diimidoanthracenylsulfinates

The results presented in chapter 2.3.1 made it evident that the main problem is not the synthetic access to coupled diimidosulfinates but the following metal exchange. Reactions of metal halogens or metal amides that work with lithiumorganyl diimidosulfinates do not give the expected products when reacted with the coupled lithium diimidosulfinates. Even if a reaction takes place not one but both lithium atoms get exchanged making the synthesis of a heterobimetallic complex impossible.<sup>[146]</sup>

To bypass this problem an organic spacer with two halogen atoms that can be selectively lithiated at one position should be employed. After the lithiation of one halogen atom, the product could be added to one equivalent of a sulfurdiimide and a metal exchange reaction could be performed. After building up one side of the molecule, a second lithiation and addition of a second sulfurimide should yield the desired heterobimetallic complex (see Scheme 2-5).

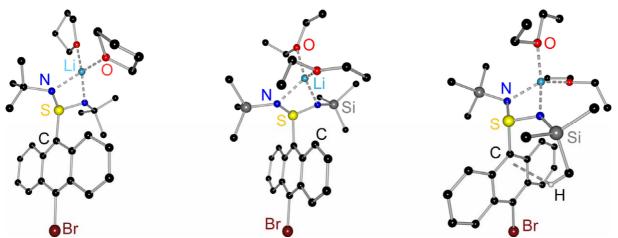
Earlier investigations in our working group showed that it is possible to selectively Itihiate only one of the two bromine atoms in 9,10-dibromoanthracene. In addition *Schwab* succeeded in substituting one bromine atom by a phosphane and could afterwards still replace the second bromine atom by a lithium atom. Therefore, 9,10-dibromoanthracene seemed to be an interesting spacer for the coupling of two diimidosulfinates. The results of the experiments with this organic spacer are presented in this chapter.

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Scheme 2-5: Possible reaction pathway to coupled heterobimetallic diimidosulfinates.

In a first series of experiments one of the two bromine atoms in 9,10-dibromoanthracene was lithiated with <sup>n</sup>BuLi and the product was afterwards reacted with bis-tert-butyl-sulfurdiimide or bis-trimethylsilyl-sulfurdiimide (see Scheme 2-5). The reactions proceeded smoothly and afforded depending on the reaction time and temperature  $[(THF)_2Li(N^tBu)_2SAnBr]$  (7),  $[(Et_2O)(LiBr)Li(N^tBu)_2SAnBr]_2$  (8) and [(Et<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>Li(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SAnBr] (**9**). If the temperature rises too high during the lithiation or the reaction time is too long, the lithiated anthracene can react with the formed <sup>n</sup>BuBr resulting in the formation of lithium bromide. [144] In the following reaction with the sulfurdiimide the lithium bromide can then be incorporated into the crystal of the formed anthracenyl diimidosulfinate resulting in the formation of 8. After the isolation of the lithium anthracenylsulfinates, 7 was reacted with various metal halogens and metal amides. Again the lithium complex seemed to be very stable resulting in many failed metal exchanges. Only with two metal halogens namely zinc dibromide and dimethylaluminum chloride a reaction proceeded. Both metal complexes [Me<sub>2</sub>Al(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SAnBr] (**10**) and [Zn{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SAnBr}<sub>2</sub>] (**11**) were structurally characterized.

Unexpectedly **7** and **9** crystallize as monomers with the lithium atom four-fold coordinated by the two nitrogen atoms of the diimidosulfinate and two donor molecules (see Figure 2-11). Up to now the diimidosulfinates where known for a lot of dimeric structural motifs<sup>[69,139]</sup> but monomeric structures where only exhibited in the presence of a multidentate ligand like TMEDA<sup>[82]</sup> or by triimidosulfonates. <sup>[70,90]</sup>



**Figure 2-11:** Crystal structure of [(THF)<sub>2</sub>Li(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SAnBr] (**7**) (left), [(Et<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>Li(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SAnBr] (**9**) (middle) and **9** with hydrogen bond (right). All other hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Because  $[(THF)_4Li_2\{(NSiMe_3)_2S\}_2C_{12}H_8]$  (2) also crystallizes as a monomer<sup>[146]</sup> one could assume that one reason for this uncommon structural motif is the aryl group that is connected to the sulfur atom. The biphenyl and the anthracene substituent both have the possibility to form hydrogen bonds to their  $\pi$ -systems. A look at the packing plot of 2 (see Figure 2-8), **7** (see Figure 2-12) and **9** reveals intermolecular as well as intramolecular hydrogen bonds with distances around 3 Å between the hydrogen atoms and the  $\pi$ -systems of the next molecule.

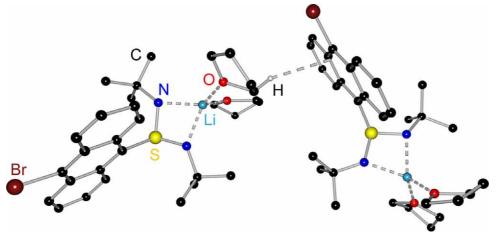
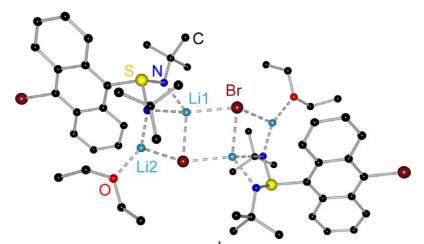


Figure 2-12: Intermolecular hydrogen bond within the solid state structures of 7.

[(THF)<sub>1.5</sub>Li<sub>2</sub>{(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S}<sub>2</sub>C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>8</sub>]<sub>∞</sub> (**3**), the analogue to **2** in which the coupled diimidosulfinates form a polymeric chain, shows no intermolecular hydrogen bonds but only intramolecular ones. By dimerizing or polymerizing it is difficult to impossible for the system to form hydrogen bonds between the molecules in the solid state. The fact that **2** and **3** could both be crystallized indicates that the energy difference between the two is only minimal. For **7** it seems to be favorable to change the coordination mode of the lithium atoms to obtain a maximum of interactions between hydrogen atoms and the  $\pi$ -system of the aryl groups. The forming of hydrogen bonds after polymerization would be even more difficult than in **3** because of the higher steric demand of the anthracene compared to the biphenyl framework.



**Figure 2-13:** Crystal structure of [(Et<sub>2</sub>O)(LiBr)Li(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SAnBr]<sub>2</sub> (**8**). All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

In contrast to **7** and **9**, [(Et<sub>2</sub>O)(LiBr)Li(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SAnBr]<sub>2</sub> crystallizes as a dimer with one equivalent of lithium bromide per molecule (see Figure 2-13). Although a similar structure is known for a triimidosulfite<sup>[81]</sup> **8** is the first diimidosulfinate crystallizing with incorporated lithium bromide. **8** forms a step-shaped structure in the solid state that shows some similarities to another step-shaped structural motif that is common for diimidosulfinates.<sup>[67,68,76]</sup> Li1 and Li1A, the lithium atoms in the inner part of the staircase, exhibit a distorted tetrahedral coordination geometry like the lithium atoms in **7** while Li2 and Li2A are nearly trigonal planar coordinated (see Figure 2-13). Table 2-3 shows that in **7** and **9** the lithium atom is coordinated much more symmetrically than in **8**. Since one nitrogen atom is always coordinating a second lithium atom in most known lithium diimidiosulfinates the coordination is normally very unsymmetrical.

Table 2-3: Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for 7, 8, 9 and 10.

Compound	7	8	9	10
Distances				
S-N1	1.602(4)	1.641(3)	1.601(3)	1.643(2)
S-N2	1.603(4)	1.613(3)	1.603(3)	1.641(2)
S-C	1.860(5)	1.832(3)	1.850(3)	1.815(3)
M1–N	2.020(9)	2.242(6)	2.070(5)	1.924(3)
	2.009(8)	1.977(6)	2.076(5)	1.920(2)
M2-N1		1.971(6)		
	1.957(8)	4.005(0)	1.975 (5)	1.959(3)
Li-O/AI-C	1.947(8)	1.925(6)	2.014 (5)	1.977(3)
Li1–Br		2.582(5)		
Li1A–Br		2.504(6)		
Li2–Br		2.496(6)		
Angles				
N-S-N	97.52(19)	102.03(12)	102.74(11)	91.06(10)
N-M-N	73.50(28)	73.40(19)	74.24(17)	75.15(8)
C-S-N	108.12(20)	108.29(12)	104.40(12)	108.58(10)
	107.46(20)	103.45(12)	108.29(12)	110.26(10)

This symmetrical coordination can also be seen in the S–N bond lengths that are untypically alike and relatively short. Since both nitrogen atoms are only coordinating one lithium atom there is enough electron density left to strengthen the sulfur nitrogen bond. The short S–N bond lengths result in a very acute N–S–N angle since the sulfur lithium distance would otherwise be too small. The same holds true for 10 where the short Al–N bond lengths are responsible for the acute N–S–N angle. Therefore 7 and 9 are more comparable to monomeric imidosulfinates like 10 or  $[(TMEDA)Li(N^tBu)_2S(SC_8H_5)]^{[82]}$  than to dimeric lithium diimidosulfinates. Between 7 and 9 only marginal differences can be seen except for the N–Li and O–Li distances that are distinct smaller in 7 and one C–S–N angle that is more acute in 9 (see Figure 2-14).

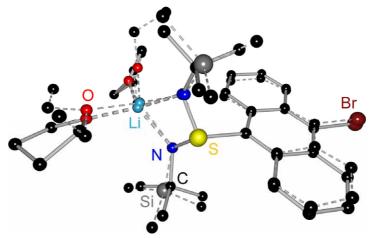


Figure 2-14: Molecular structure overlay of 7 and 9.

As the overlay of the structures shows there are no sterical reasons for the elongation of the mentioned bonds in **9**.

But when the hydrogen atoms are taken into account it is noticeable that the C–S–N angle is more acute because the diimidosulfinate is leaning to one side to form an intramolecular hydrogen bond between the  $\pi$ -system of the anthracene and one hydrogen atom at the trimethylsilyl group (see Figure 2-11).

Since the N–Si bond in **9** is longer than the N–C bond in **7** the C–S–N angle has to be more acute for the hydrogen bond to be effective. In order to enhance this interaction with the  $\pi$ -system the N–Li bonds are also elongated. In addition, the  $\beta$ -effect of the silicon atom could also be another reason for the longer distances. [149,150]

On the other hand, **8** is very similar to known lithium diimidosulfinates with nearly all bond lengths and angles about the same size as in the literature. As expected all bond lengths to Li2 are shorter than the comparable ones to Li1 since Li2 exhibits only three donor contacts. Apart from that only one C–S–N angle is uncommon. Compared to the other C–S–N angles in Table 2-3 it is very acute. This is probably due to the position of the second lithium atom forcing the diimido ligand to bend to this site of the anthracene substituent.

As pointed out earlier, **10** exhibits the same structural motif as **7** (see Figure 2-15). Only the S–N and the N–M bond lengths differ slightly because of the metal exchange from lithium to aluminum. The aluminum atom is stronger coordinated by the nitrogen atoms resulting in a shorter N–M and a longer S–N distance. Otherwise both compounds are very similar in the solid state.

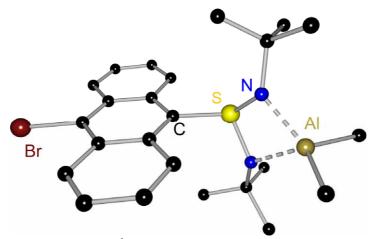
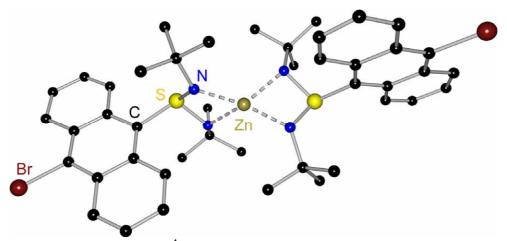


Figure 2-15: Crystal structure of [Me<sub>2</sub>Al(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SAnBr] (10). All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

The comparison with **5** and **6** reveals no distinct differences, either. In addition to the successful metal exchange reaction with dimethylaluminumchloride another metal complex could be obtained. Although the reaction proceeded with zinc bromide the product [Zn{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SAnBr}<sub>2</sub>] (**11**) could only be obtained in a very poor yield. The few crystals were heavily twinned and resulted in a solid state structure with very high standard deviations for the bond lengths and angles. Therefore only the structural motif is discussed here.

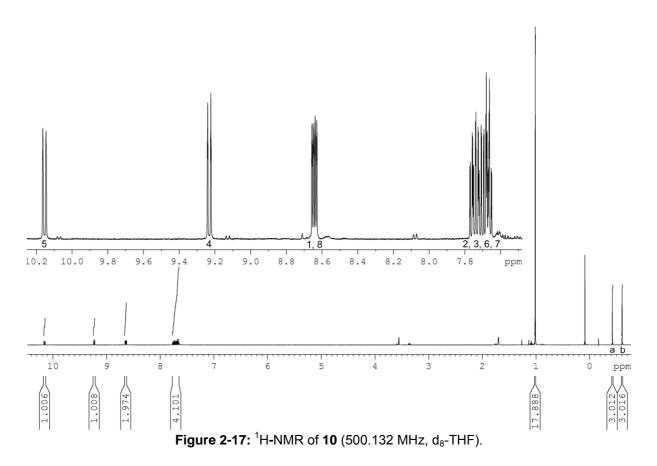


**Figure 2-16:** Crystal structure of [Zn{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SAnBr}<sub>2</sub>] (11). All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Figure 2-16 shows that **11** forms a dimer in the solid state structure which is similar to other dicationic metal complexes of diimidosulfinates.<sup>[82,90]</sup> The zinc atom which is coordinated by the four nitrogen atoms of the two diimidosulfinates exhibits a distorted tetrahedral coordination polyeder. As expected the two N–Zn–N planes are standing perpendicular to each other with the sulfur atoms deviated to one side of the N–Zn–N planes while the anthracenyl group is bent towards the other side.

In addition to some interesting structural features the *mono*-diimidoanthracenylsulfinates exhibit also some unusual characteristics in solution. The NMR spectra of all discussed compounds reveal an unexpected number of peaks.

For the *mono*-diimidoanthracenylsulfinates one would expect three peaks with a distribution of 2:2:2 for the protons bonded to the anthracene ringsystem with the protons 4/5, 1/8, 3/6 and /2/7 being equivalent in the NMR. But integration shows that for **7**, **8** and **10** all protons are unequivalent (see Figure 2-17). For an easier understanding the notation of the anthracene framework is shown in Figure 2-18.



This leads to the assumption that the rotation around the S–C bond is hindered even at room temperature. A similar phenomenon was observed for isopropylphosphanyl-anthracenes. Schwab found that the rotation around the P–C bond is slow at low temperature enough to make all protons lose their magnetic equivalency. In addition, one of the protons nearest to the phosphorous atom is clamped between the isopropyl groups attached to the phosphorous atom while the proton on the other side can interact with its lone pair. The same phenomenon can be observed for the diimidoanthracenysulfinates with the exception, that the rotation around the bond is hindered even at room temperature.

Nevertheless, for the trimethylsilyl substituted diimidosulfinate **9** the expected 2:2:4 distribution can be found. This fact is probably due to the longer N–Si bond length (1.87 Å compared to 1.47 Å for N–C) making a rotation around the S–C bond possible. Anyhow, the signals are still very broad which might be an indicator that the rotation around the S–C bond is slightly hampered, too.

Figure 2-18: Notation of the anthracene framework (left) and probable arrangement of 10 in solution (right).

A NOESY experiment showed that the hydrogen atom situated between both nitrogen atoms is the one with the highest chemical shift ( $H_5$ : 10.15 ppm). Although the protons of the  ${}^tBu$  groups yield cross peaks with  $H_5$  and  $H_4$  only one cross peak between  $H_5$  and one of the methyl groups attached to the aluminum atom can be seen. This strongly indicates that **10** exhibits the same structural conformation (see Figure 2-18) in solution as in the solid state.

Another interesting feature is the higher chemical shift of the protons for the lithium compared to the aluminum complexes. This is probably due to the higher steric demand of the THF coordinated lithium cation compared to the AlMe<sub>2</sub> cation.

# 2.3.2.2 Bis-diimidoanthracenylsulfinates

After the synthesis of the *mono*-diimidoanthracenylsulfinates it was tried to substitute the bromine atom in those compounds by a lithium atom. In order to find the right conditions the *mono*-diimidoanthracenylsulfinates were reacted with diverse lithium bases (<sup>n</sup>BuLi, MeLi and <sup>t</sup>BuLi) in several solvents and at different temperatures. Unfortunately, the reactions yielded not the desired products but only the reactant, unidentifiable mixtures or side-products (see Figure 2-19).

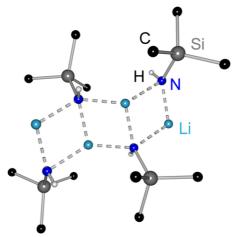


Figure 2-19: Side-product from the reaction of lithium bases with 9.

It seems that the addition of the electron withdrawing sulfurdiimide reduces the electron density in the anthracene framework so far that a second lithiation is not favoured. To avoid this problem, the monolithiated anthracene was first reacted with diphenylphosphane. Since *Schwab*<sup>[147]</sup>succeeded in the synthesis of asymmetric substituted 9,10-*bis*-phosphanylanthracenes it seemed possible to lithiate the resulting phosphanylanthracene again and then add a sulfurdiimide to the mixture.

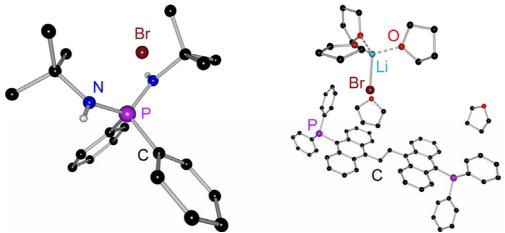


Figure 2-20: Side-products from the reaction of lithium bases with mono-phospanylanthracenes.

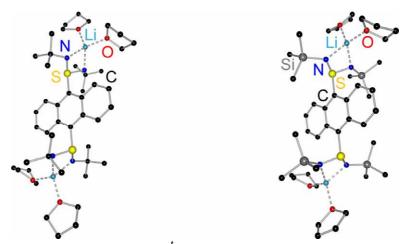
But again the reaction did not proceed as planned. The lithiation was also hampered by the electron withdrawing effect of the phosphane and the reactions yielded only side-products or unidentifiable mixtures (see Figure 2-20). Unfortunately, the few side-products that could be isolated provided no hint on the general course of the reactions.

For that reason the idea of a sequenced lithiation was abandoned and both bromine atoms were lithiated in one step. Afterwards, the 9,10-dilithiumanthracen was reacted with different sulfurdiimides (see Scheme 2-6) resulting in the formation of  $[{(THF)_2Li(N^tBu)_2S}_2An]$  (12) and  $[{(THF)_2Li(NSiMe_3)_2S}_2An]$  (13).

Scheme 2-6: Synthesis of 12, 13 and 14.

After their isolation 12 and 13 were reacted with one equivalent of different metal halogens and metal amides. Unfortunately, the previously discussed problems appeared again and most metal exchange reactions failed. Hydrolysis with subsequent deprotonation was also no option since the diimidoanthracenylsulfinates decomposed when exposed to tert-buylammonium chloride. Only the reaction of 12 with AlMe<sub>2</sub>Cl afforded [{Me<sub>2</sub>Al(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S}<sub>2</sub>An] (14). In the case of 13 only a few crystals of the aluminum species that were heavily twinned could be obtained. Regrettably, the measured data set of [{Me<sub>2</sub>Al(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>S}<sub>2</sub>An] was not good enough to discuss the bond length and angles but only the structural motif (see Figure 2-22). The NMR spectrum of the solution hinted on a successful metal exchange but the lack of crystals and the sensitivity of the product made an unequivocal characterization of the product impossible. Unfortunately, the reaction with AIMe<sub>2</sub>CI results in the formation of a bimetallic complex rather than a heterobimetallic one. This phenomenon was already described earlier in this work when benzene and biphenyl spacers were employed (see section 2.3.1). Therefore it has been confirmed that AIMe<sub>2</sub>CI is too reactive and not selective enough for the exchange of just one lithium atom.

**12**, **13** and **14** crystallize solely as monomers (see Figure 2-21) with half of the molecule in the asymmetric unit. They all exhibit the same structural motif whereas in **14** the lithium atom and the two coordinating THF molecules are substituted by a AIMe<sub>2</sub> fragment (see Figure 2-22).



**Figure 2-21:** Crystal structure of [{(THF)<sub>2</sub>Li(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>S}<sub>2</sub>An] (**12**) (left) and [{(THF)<sub>2</sub>Li(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S}<sub>2</sub>An] (**13**) (right). All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

As described earlier in this work the diimidosulfinates normally tend to dimerize to realize the favored four-fold coordination of the lithium atom. **7** and **9** broke with this rule of thumb and so do **12** and **13**. The coordination of the lithium atom is analogous to the coordination in **7**. As expected in all three *bis*-diimidoanthracenylsulfinates the coupled diimdosulfinates show a *transoid* arrangement to minimize the steric strain.

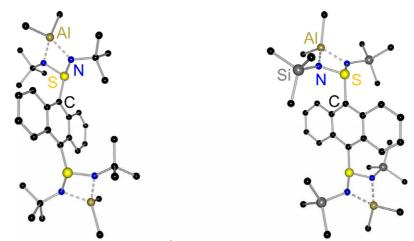


Figure 2-22: Crystal structure of  $[\{Me_2Al(N^tBu)_2S\}_2An]$  (left) and  $[\{Me_2Al(NSiMe_3)_2S\}_2An]$  (14) (right). All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Comparisons of **12** and **13** with **7** and **9** show no distinct differences (see Table 2-4). **7** and **12** exhibit nearly the same bond lengths and angles as do **13** and **9**. Comparison between the *tert*-butyl and the trimethylsilyl substituted compounds

show only distinct differences in the Li–N distances which are longer in  $\bf 9$  and  $\bf 13$  resulting also in a slightly more obtuse N–S–N angle. These small differences probably arise from the change of the substituents on the nitrogen atoms. As already discussed in the previous chapter the  $\beta$ -effect of the silicon atom and the forming of a hydrogen bond are the driving forces behind this change in the bond lengths.

Table 2-4: Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for 12, 13 and 14.

Compound	12	13	14
Distances			
S-N1	1.6164(18)	1.6000(17)	1.6313(12)
S-N2	1.6178(17)	1.6032(17)	1.6253(12)
S-C	1.8522(21)	1.8431(19)	1.8272(13)
M1–N	2.0215(39)	2.0376(38)	1.9442(12)
	1.9956(40)	2.0432(38)	1.9435(13)
Li–O/Al–C	1.9503(40)	1.9574(37)	1.9639(16)
LI-O/AI-C	1.9525(42)	1.9364(37)	1.9642(15)
Angles			
N-S-N	98.08(9)	101.85(9)	94.78(6)
N-M-N	74.89(14)	75.09(13)	76.12(5)
CCN	106.04(9)	106.26(9)	109.37(6)
C-S-N	108.64(9)	107.04(9)	108.78(6)

After the comparison of the monosubstituted and the disubstituted anthracenes it is obvious that the coupled diimidosulfinates apparently have no influence on each other. The same can be concluded when **10** and **14** are being compared. Only minor changes can be observed in the Al–N and S–N bond lengths. As pointed out these changes rather arise from the change of the substituents on the nitrogen atoms than from the second substitution at the anthracene framework.

Apparently the change from *tert*-butyl to trimethylsilyl groups on the nitrogen atoms leads to a small elongation of the M–N bonds and a small shortening of the S–N distances. This might be an indication that more of the negative charge at the nitrogen atom is used to strengthen the S–N bond because the positive charge at the metal is additionally stabilized by the  $\beta$ -effect of the silicon atom of the trimethylsilyl groups. [149,150] A closer look at all diimidoanthracenylsulfinates displays that for the monomeric lithium complexes the S–C bond length is clearly elongated. While the

sulfur-carbon distance for the aluminum complexes as well as for the dimeric complex 8 is in the normal range for diimidosulfinates the bond lengths in all other compounds are distinctly longer. Another comparison with the diimidosulfinates coupled by the biphenyl and phenyl spacer shows that in these compounds the carbon sulfur bonds are near to 1.80 Å (as are most known aryl substituted diimidosulfinates) while the S–C bonds for the anthracenyl diimidosulfinates are near 1.85 Å. Elongated S–C bond lengths could up to now only be observed for diimidosulfinates with *tert*-butyl (steric strain) or benzyl (electron withdrawing effect) groups attached to the sulfur atom. The reason for this observation is probably the steric strain between the anthracene framework and the donor molecules of the lithium atom. To minimize the strain the imaginary C–S–Li angle is widened (around 129° for 7, 9, 12 and 13 compared to 126° for 8) and the S–C bond elongated. Because known diimidosulfinates exhibit mostly dimeric structures the sulfur carbon bonds are not elongated since the substituent on the sulfur atom do not interfere with the coordinating solvent.

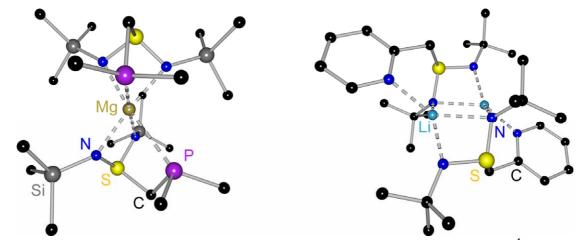
For the bis-diimidoanthracenylsulfinates the same trend can be seen in the NMR spectra as for the mono-diimidoanthracenylsulfinates. For 12-14 the expected intensity distribution of 4:4 for the anthracene proton signals is transformed into a 2:2:4 pattern. For the diimidosulfinates carrying the tert-butyl substituent at the nitrogen atoms the protons resonate differently even at room temperature while the diimidosulfinates possessing trimethylsilyl groups exhibit only broad signals at 25 °C. By cooling 13 to -60 °C the broad signals can be resolved and the anticipated 2:2:4 distribution is obtained. As already mentioned in the previous chapter this is due to the longer N-Si bond (1.87 Å compared to 1.47 Å for N-C) making a rotation around the S–C bond easier. Unfortunately the <sup>4</sup>J and the <sup>5</sup>J coupling can still not be seen even at -60 °C. Because a NOESY experiment made it possible to determine the conformation of **10** in solution an additional NOESY spectrum of **12** was recorded. Since the peaks in the <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of **12** were still broad the NOESY spectrum was recorded at -70 °C. Surprisingly it showed that at low temperatures the signal for the protons at the <sup>1</sup>Bu groups split up in four different peaks whereas the four peaks form two pairs of signals which exhibit the same integrated intensity. Since the diimidosulfinates can stand transoid or cisoid to each other this conformational freedom is probably responsible for the peak splitting. A similar observation was also found by Schwab. [151] Even more interesting are the signals in the aromatic region. At low temperature the distribution of the integrated signals changes from 2:2:2:2 to 1:1:2:4. The NOESY spectrum shows the expected cross peaks between all signals except for the single hydrogen atoms which show no cross peak between each other. Unfortunately there is no cross peak between the aromatic signals and the peaks for the <sup>t</sup>Bu groups making an assignment of the conformation in solution impossible.

The results presented here show that 9,10-dibromoanthracene can be selectively lithiated at one position and reacts cleanly with sulfurdiimides to give a lithium diimidosulfinate. The subsequent metal exchange reaction can be accomplished although the lithium complexes seem to be very stable and only two other metals could be coordinated by the ligand. Unfortunately the idea of the stepwise synthesis of a heterobimetallic complex as described in the beginning of this chapter does not work out. After one side of the desired ligand is synthesized the second lithiation is hindered by the electron withdrawing effect of the diimidosulfinate.

Furthermore it was shown that 9,10-dibromoanthracene is a suitable candidate for the linkage of two sulfurdiimides. The resulting coupled diiimidosulfinates are obtained in good yields and high purity. In addition, all diimidoanthracenylsulfinates show interesting features in solution. The hindered rotation around the carbon sulfur bond results in some of the hydrogen atoms attached to the anthracene framework being magneticly unequivalent. This made it possible to determine the likeliest conformation even in solution. Unfortunately, the metal exchange reactions with the bis-diimidoanthracenylsulfinates proceed even worse than the ones with the mono- diimidoanthracenylsulfinates. Most tested metal compounds did not react with the diimidosulfinates or gave no defined products. A second approach to hydrolyze the sulfinates and afterwards deprotonate the sulfinic acid with metal amides or hydrides failed, too. In the case of AlMe<sub>2</sub>Cl a reaction took place but it was not selective enough to receive the desired heterobimetallic complex. Therefore, it can be stated that the bis-diimidoanthracenylsulfinates are suitable ligands for bimetallic complexes but not the optimal choice for the synthesis of heterobimetallic complexes due to the low selectiveness of the metal exchange reactions. However further experiments with different metal chlorides and metal amides are necessary to broaden the field of metals that can be coordinated by the bis-diimidoanthracenylsulfinates. Even better would be to find a different approach for the metal exchange or another spacer more suitable for the stepwise synthesis of a heterobimetallic complex.

# 2.4 Magnesium Sulfinates and Sulfonates

Another approach to synthesize bimetallic compounds, starting from diimido-sulfinates, is to add another coordination site to the diimidosulfinate anion. First experiments in our working group from *Deuerlein*<sup>[152]</sup> and *Meinholz*<sup>[153]</sup> who added a phosphane side arm to a sulfurdiimide and *Meyer*<sup>[145]</sup> who used a picolyl substituent showed promising results. Both ligands have an additional donor site which is able to coordinate a metal atom (see Figure 2-23).



**Figure 2-23:** Molecular structure of [Mg{(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>PMe<sub>2</sub>}<sub>2</sub>] (left) and [2-PyCH<sub>2</sub>S(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>Li]<sub>2</sub>. All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

In contrast to both ligands shown above the side arm of a triimidosulfonate does not participate in the coordination of a metal atom chelated by the two nitrogen atoms bearing the negative charge, and therefore is open for the coordination of a second metal atom. The sulfurtriimide is an anologe to sulfur trioxide where the oxygen atoms are isoelectronicly replaced with RN-groups. *Glemser* and *Wegener*<sup>[154]</sup> succeeded in synthesizing the first analogue to sulfur trioxide, the sulfurtriimide S(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>. Since then much effort has been put into the investigation of this new compound class and their coordination properties, but the elaboration of this area was often hampered by the limited synthetic access to sulfurimido molecules. Until 1996, when our group reported a new synthetic approach, only two reactions where known starting from NSF<sub>3</sub><sup>[157]</sup> or OSF<sub>4</sub><sup>[158]</sup> which are quite hazardous and give only poor yields. Since then the group of *Chivers*<sup>[159,160]</sup> as well as our group got interested in the bonding situation as well as in the coordination pattern of *tert*-butylsulfurtriimide and the associated sulfurtriimido-organyl suloinates. Sulfurtriimides.

As mentioned before the advantage of the sulfurtriimides compared to the sulfurdiimides is their additional coordination site that can be employed in the syntheses of bimetallic complexes.<sup>[90]</sup>

But they have drawbacks, too. The necessary nucleophilic attack to generate the desired organyl triimidosulfonate works only with small or planar nucleophiles. A steric argument would not be valid if a direct orthogonal attack above or underneath the SN<sub>3</sub> plane was favored, as there is sufficient room to attack the sulfur atom directly (see Figure 2-24). The reactive surface, which displays the area of charge accumulation and charge depletion, however, shows the absence of electron density in the SN<sub>3</sub> plane at the bisections of the N–S–N angles at the sulfur atom but no hole in the reactive surface on top or underneath the sulfur atom.<sup>[162]</sup> The carbanionic nucleophile has to approach the sulfur atom along the NSN bisection in the SN<sub>3</sub> plane or in an angle of less than about 45° which is only feasible for small or planar carbanions. Bulky anions cannot reach the holes, due to the steric hindrance of the N<sup>t</sup>Bu groups in the equatorial region of the trigonal planar molecule.

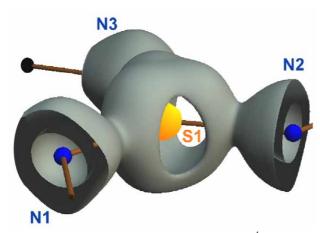


Figure 2-24: Reactive surface of S(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>.

Our approach to tackle this problem was to employ *Grignard* reagents. Since lithium organics, the most frequently used nucleophiles, are rather hard according to *Pearson*, [136-138] we anticipated that the soft-soft interactions of the magnesium organics and the sulfur atom would facilitate a reaction even with sterically more demanding substituents. In addition to the softer character, the *Grignard* reagents also have a lower reactivity compared to the lithium organics what would also result in fewer side reactions and higher yields of the triimidosulfonates.

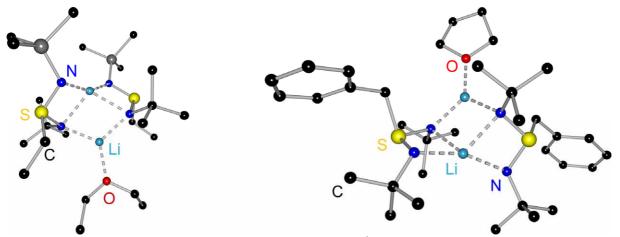
Organomagnesium compounds and especially *Grignard* reagents represent a rapidly developing field<sup>[164-167]</sup> ever since they were discovered by *Barbier* in 1899<sup>[168]</sup> and harnessed by *Grignard* in 1900.<sup>[169]</sup> Like their organolithium congeners they are key substances in the preparative organic chemistry but also for organometallic chemists.<sup>[170-172]</sup>

Nevertheless, little is known about the reactions of *Grignard* reagents with sulfurimide compounds. [68] Although *Kuyper* showed in 1976 that sulfur diimides react readily with *Grignard* reagents [173] and that this reaction can be used for titrating *Grignard* solutions, its chemical versatility was not explored any further. To close the gap a range of sulfurimides where reacted with various *Grignard* reagents in this work. Although the fundamental idea was to add *Grignard* reagents to sulfurtriimides the approach was first tested with sulfurdiimides which are synthetically easier accessible.

The magnesium diimidosulfinates resulting from the addition of *Grignard* reagents to the sulfurdiimides should be interesting precursors for the synthesis of magnesium and lithium/magnesium sulfur ylides in analogy to the lithium sulfur ylides  $[(THF)Li_2\{RHCS(N^tBu)_2\}]_2^{[72-74,87]}$  previously synthesized in our group. The sulfur ylides play an important role in organic synthesis  $^{[174-176]}$  as  $R_2C$ -transfer reagents for one-step epoxidation, cyclopropanation or aziridination. In a reaction with an additional equivalent of the *Grignard* reagent magnesium diimidosulfinates could be deprotonated at the sulfur-bound carbon  $C_\alpha$ -atom to give the related magnesium sulfur ylides which should be even more selective for C–C coupling reactions than their lithium analogues since their basicity is lower. Furthermore by deprotonation of the magnesium diimidosulfinates with an organolithium base heterobimetallic sulfur ylides could be accessible.

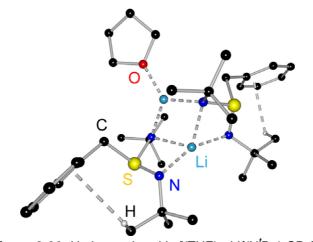
# 2.4.1 Magnesium diimidosulfinates

Although the sulfurdiimides react readily with lithium organic compounds the yield and the purification by crystallization is often difficult or time consuming. While the reaction with MeLi proceeds without problems and the methyldiimidosulfinate is obtained in good yields the reaction with EtLi and BzLi is not that straightforward. Though the ethyldiimidosulfinate as well as the benzyldiimidosulfinate are formed (see Figure 2-25) the yields are poor and the crystallization time is measured in weeks rather than days.<sup>[145]</sup>



**Figure 2-25:** Molecular structure of  $[(Et_2O)_{0.5}Li\{(N^tBu)(SiMe_3)SEt]_2$  (15) (left) and  $[(THF)_{0.5}Li\{(N^tBu)_2SBz]_2$  (16) (right). All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

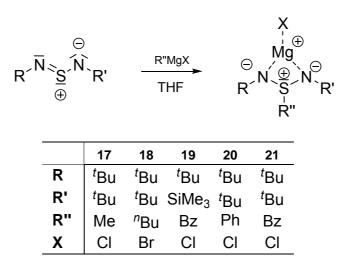
[(Et<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>0.5</sub>Li{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)SEt]<sub>2</sub> (**15**) and [(THF)<sub>0.5</sub>Li{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SBz]<sub>2</sub> (**16**) both crystallize as dimers with one lithium atom coordinated by the four nitrogen atoms of the ligands while the second lithium atom is coordinated by one nitrogen atom of each ligand and a donor base. Although the first ethyldiimidosulfinate synthesized by *Wrackmeyer*. exhibited a step-shaped structural motif without any donor base the described structural motif of **15** and **16** is well known for diimidosulfinates. Only one of the N–S–C angles in **16** is considerably more acute than the other (105.6° *vs.* 98.9°). This is due to an interaction of one hydrogen atom attached to the *tert*-butyl group with the absence of any disorder in **15**. Up to now, all structures containing the *tert*-butyl-trimethylsilyl-sulfurdiimide exhibited a disorder of the substituents at the nitrogen atoms in the solid state.



**Figure 2-26:** Hydrogen bond in [(THF)<sub>0.5</sub>Li{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SBz]<sub>2</sub>.

Surprisingly, in **15** no such disorder can be observed. A closer look at the structure shows that the trimethylsilyl groups are attached to the nitrogen atoms coordinating only one lithium atom while the nitrogen atoms coordinating both lithium atoms bear *tert*-butyl groups. The reason for this is probably the steric strain since the donor base is also interacting with the second lithium atom.

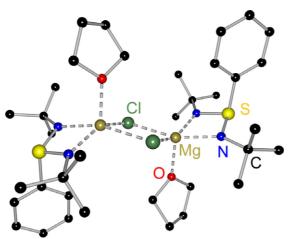
Because of the mentioned difficulties during the synthesis of the lithium diimido-sulfinates, it was tried to react different sulfurdiimides with a variety of *Grignard* reagents. *Deuerlein* already succeeded in adding a phenyl *Grignard* and a benzyl *Grignard* to *tert*-butyl-sulfurdiimide. <sup>[152]</sup> To further investigate this reactions more *Grignard* reagents and other sulfurdiimides where employed. By adding the appropriate *Grignard* reagent RMgX to a sulfurdiimide, compounds of the general formula [(THF)<sub>2</sub>MgX{(NR')<sub>2</sub>SR] can be obtained in both high yield and purity (see Scheme 2-7). Storage of the solutions at -24 °C yields colorless crystals suitable for X-ray structure analysis after one day.



Scheme 2-7: Preparation of the magnesium diimidosulfinates 17-21.

By employing the above described reaction  $[(THF)_2MgBr\{(N^tBu)_2SMe]$  (17),  $[(THF)_2MgCl\{(N^tBu)_2S^nBu]$  (18) and  $[(THF)_2MgCl\{(N^tBu)(NSiMe_3)SBz]$  (19) could be synthesized and structurally characterized. 19 was synthesized during the work on the diploma thesis<sup>[74]</sup> but is discussed here, too, because of the structural similarities. In the structural discussion the three compounds are also compared with  $[(THF)_2MgCl\{(N^tBu)_2SPh]$  (20) and  $[(THF)_2MgCl\{(N^tBu)_2SBz]$  (21) already synthesized earlier by *Deuerlein*. [152]

So far, metal diimidosulfinates where known to crystallize mostly as dimers. [69,71] Various structural motifs were found but the one thing they all had in common was the dimeric aggregation. Only in the presence of a polydentate donor base like TMEDA monomers could be crystallized. [82] [(THF)MgCl{(N $^t$ Bu)2SPh]2 (20) is no exception to this rule of thumb. It crystallizes as a dimer with a central four membered Mg2Cl2 ring (see Figure 2-27).



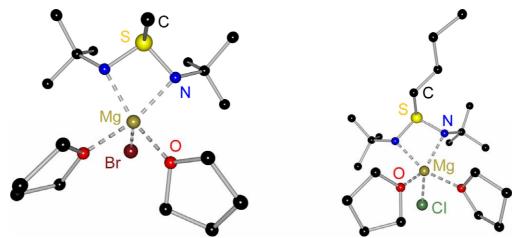
**Figure 2-27:** Molecular structure of [(THF)<sub>2</sub>MgCl{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SPh] (**20**). All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Except for the central Mg<sub>2</sub>X<sub>2</sub> ring, **20** exhibits the same bond lengths and angles within their standard deviation as its published heavier congener [(THF)MgBr{(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SPh]<sub>2</sub>. [68] Although the structural motif is different, the geometry around the metal atom is very similar in these two compounds. The preferred five-fold coordination of the magnesium atom is achieved by two Mg-N contacts to the diimidosulfinate, the interactions with the two chlorine atoms and the coordination of one THF molecule. As a result of this geometry, the chlorine atoms are not positioned at the sterically favorable apex of the square-pyramidal environment of the magnesium atoms, but reside in the base. As already observed for other compounds containing a central Mg<sub>2</sub>X<sub>2</sub> ring the Mg–Cl interactions show a distinct asymmetry ( $\Delta(Mg-CI) = 0.07 \text{ Å}$ ). [178-181] This shows that the electron density of the halogen anions is not shared equally between the magnesium atoms. The tertiary carbon atoms of the <sup>t</sup>Bu groups are nearly in plane with the N-S-N plane tilted 37°  $Mg_2X_2$  ring. which towards the central addition N-S-N planes are twisted 14° sidewards to avoid steric strain between the phenyl ring and the THF molecule of the other half of the dimer.

Compound	17	18	19	20	21
Distances					
S-N1	1.6201(59)	1.6277(12)	1.6186(15)	1.6089(17)	1.6285(13)
S-N2	1.6307(54)	1.6346(11)	1.6168(15)	1.6160(17)	1.6218(12)
S-C	1.8039(58)	1.8145(14)	1.8393(17)	1.8173(20)	1.8440(15)
N1–Mg	2.1263(61)	2.1042(12)	2.1118(17)	2.0815(17)	2.1021(14)
N2–Mg	2.0943(56)	2.1504(12)	2.1542(15)	2.0558(18)	2.1697(13)
Mg-Cl	Mg-Br	0.0474 (6)	(6) 2.3407(7)	2.4160(8)	2.3430(7)
	2.4960(13)	2.3474 (6)		2.4841(8)	
Mg-O1	2.1166(47)	2.0793(11)	2.0909(14)	2.0265(15)	2.1112(12)
Mg-O2	2.0736(56)	2.1116(11)	2.0866(14)		2.0854(12)
Angles					
N-S-N	99.44(15)°	99.62(6)°	100.05(8)°	94.41(8)°	99.65(7)°
N-Mg-N	71.97 (0.12)	71.71 (0.04)	71.06 (0.06)	69.77 (0.07)	71.07 (0.05)
C-S-N	101.75 (0.35) 102.28 (0.36)	103.89 (0.06) 101.56 (0.06)	103.00 (0.08) 101.89 (0.08)	106.04 (0.09) 105.90 (0.09)	102.20 (0.07) 102.31 (0.07)

Table 2-5: Selected bond length [Å] and angles for 17-21.

In contrast to 20, 17-19 and 21 crystallize as monomers. Although the geometry formed by five-fold coordination at the magnesium atom is maintained, the structural motif shown by 17-19 and 21 is totally different. The  $Mg_2X_2$  four-membered ring is not retained but a second THF molecule completes the coordination sphere at the metal ion. The square-pyramidal environment is preserved, but in the monomeric form the halogen anion can occupy the sterically favorable apex of the pyramid.

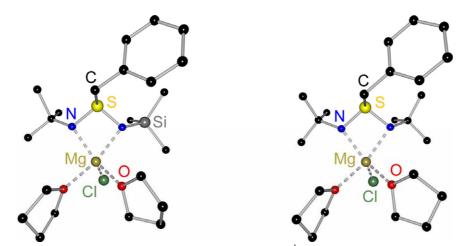


**Figure 2-28:** Molecular structure of  $[(THF)_2MgBr\{(N^tBu)_2SMe]$  **(17)** (left) and  $[(THF)_2MgCl\{(N^tBu)_2S^nBu]$  **(18)** (right). All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Different to **20**, the tertiary carbon atoms of the <sup>t</sup>Bu groups in **17-19** and **21** point away from the magnesium atom and the C–N bonds includes angles of 31° to 47° with the N–S–N plane, providing enough space at the other side of this plane for two THF molecules and the organic substituent at the sulfur atom. In **17** (see Figure 2-28) the deviation of the <sup>t</sup>Bu groups is much more symmetric (39.5° and 38.7°) but all other compounds, especially **18** (see Figure 2-28), exhibit a distinct asymmetry (31.2° and 47.3°) with a larger angle present at the side where the substituent at the sulfur atom is positioned.

The structures of the magnesium diimidosulfinates show that neither the nature of the halogen anions nor the organic substituents at the nitrogen atoms have an impact on the structural motif. So the reason for the formation of a monomer in favor of a dimer must be related to the organic substituent bound to the sulfur atom instead. If a sterically demanding group is present at the sulfur atom there is not enough room for this bulky group and an additional THF molecules at the same side of the N–S–N plane which would be required for a potential dimerization, even if the <sup>t</sup>Bu groups at the nitrogen atoms are pointing to the adjacent side.

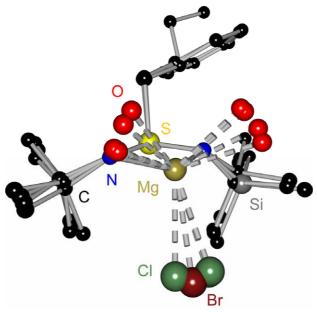
Although a phenyl group is generally not considered to be sterically particularly demanding, its bulk is sufficient enough to bring the *ortho* carbon atom in close proximity to the magnesium atom, leaving not enough space for both THF donor molecules. In contrast to that, the methyl group of **17** provides less sterical demand and the substituents of the other compounds all comprise CH<sub>2</sub> spacers able to bend the remaining organic substituent away leaving enough space for the THF molecules.



**Figure 2-29:** Molecular structure of  $[(THF)_2MgCl\{(N^tBu)(NSiMe_3)SBz]$  (19) (left) and  $[(THF)_2MgCl\{(N^tBu)_2SBz]$  (21) (right). All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Since the THF oxygen atom is a better donor to magnesium than a halogen anion bridging two metal ions, the monomeric form is favored for 17-19 and 21. Because of the better donor the Mg–N and the Mg–O contacts are longer in 17-19 and 21 compared to 20. Only the Mg–X bond is shorter in 17-19 and 21 than in 20 because the halogen anion is not forced to share its electron density between two metal ions. Among the monomeric compounds 17-19 and 21 the structural differences are marginal (Figure 2-30). Even the asymmetric diimidosulfinat 19 (see Figure 2-29) exhibits nearly the same bond lengths and angles as its symmetric congener 21. Only the S–C bonds of 19 and 21 (1.84 Å) are clearly longer than that of 17, 18 and 20 or other organyl diimidosulfinates (1.80 Å on average). The phenyl substituents at the benzylic carbon atoms withdraw electron density from the S–C bonds, which are therefore destabilized and elongated.

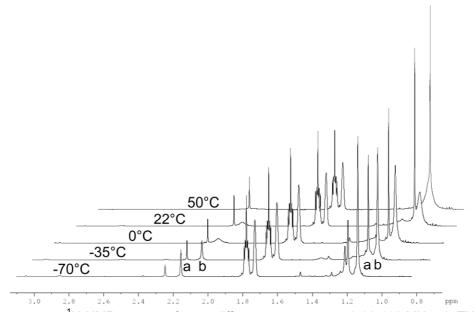
Although **19** possesses a asymmetric sulfur atom, it crystallizes as a racemate in the centrosymmetric space group  $P2_1/c$ . In addition, the <sup>t</sup>Bu groups and the SiMe<sub>3</sub> groups are disordered making an assignment of the isomers impossible.



**Figure 2-30:** Molecular structure overlay of **17-19** and **21**, all hydrogen atoms and the carbon atoms of the THF molecules have been omitted for clarity.

The N–S–N bond angles in all presented compounds (94.4° - 100.1°) are more acute than those in alkali metal derivatives (104.2° - 110.7°),  $^{[68,69]}$  but span almost the same range as in comparable compounds with magnesium atoms or other dicationic metals (94.3° - 98.5°).  $^{[68,90,139]}$  This can be attributed to the higher charge at the magnesium dication, leading to a stronger repulsion between the positively charged sulfur atom and the metal ion.

Another interesting fact about the magnesium diimidosulfinates is their behavior in solution. The <sup>1</sup>H- and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR-spectra all exhibit a double set of signals for **17-21**. Integration of all peaks and NOESY experiments displayed that in each double set of signals the peaks shifted to higher field belong together. Figure 2-31 shows the spectra of **17** measured at different temperatures. The signals for the methyl groups occur between 2.1 ppm and 2.3 ppm while the <sup>t</sup>Bu protons resonate between 1.1 ppm and 1.3 ppm. The spectrum of **17** at -70 °C also displays the occurrence of an additional set of signals resulting in a triple set.



**Figure 2-31:** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra of **17** at different temperatures (500.132 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF).

For the measurements the temperatures as well as the elapsed time since the priming of the samples were adapted. The concentration of the samples was also varied in the different experiments. This way it could be verified that the equilibrium is time, concentration and temperature dependent. Figure 2-31 shows that with lower temperatures even more species are involved and that a higher temperature results in an increase of species **a** at the expense of species **b**. In addition, the peak of **b** gets sharper. When the sample is more concentrated the ratio of the integrated intensity of **b** divided by the integrated intensity of **a** is getting higher. When the elapsed time between priming the sample and the measurement increases the ratio of the integrated intensity of **b** divided by the integrated intensity of **a** is getting smaller. In addition, the peak for **b** is getting broader as more time passes. Since the exchange between **a** and **b** works in both directions it was verified that both species can be transformed into each other and that the double set of signals is not just due

to hydrolysis or ligand scrambling. In addition, a <sup>15</sup>N-HMBC-spectrum was recorded which showed two cross peaks, for both <sup>t</sup>Bu signals with the signal of the nitrogen atoms, at -270 ppm and -272 ppm respectively. The proximity of the signals indicates that the chemical environment of the nitrogen atoms is the same for both species. This, coupled with the absence of any amine proton proves that no hydrolysis is responsible for the signal doubling. The first assumption was that the spectra display the equilibrium between the monomeric form shown in the solid state by 17-19 and 21 and a dimeric form similiar to the structure shown by 20 in the solid state, reminiscent of the Schlenk equilibrium species. To test this assumption a DOSY spectrum was recorded. [182,183] To our surprise the DOSY spectrum showed that both species move with nearly the same speed in solution, indicating that the size of both molecules and the atom numbers should be almost the same. With the help of the recorded DOSY spectrum it was also possible to calculate the size of the molecules in solution. The measurement showed that species a and b have a radius of approximately 4 Å. This radius fits the size of the monomeric form that could be observed in the solid state for 17-19 and 21. Because of these experiments and from our earlier experiences with magnesium imidosulfinates [68,184] we think that the second species in solution might be [Mg{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SR}<sub>2</sub>] or [(THF)Mg{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SR}<sub>2</sub>]. All three compounds are about the same size and should yield very similar peaks in the NMR (see Figure 2-32).

Figure 2-32: Possible conversion of the magnesium diimidosulfinates in solution.

Additional evidence for this assumption provided a NOESY spectrum. This spectrum did not show defined cross peaks between both species but nevertheless cross peaks can be observed between both species and very broad signals next to the <sup>t</sup>Bu peaks and the peaks for the methyl groups. This suggests that the exchange between both species **a** and **b** is mediated through an intermediate that is only short-lived and therefore only yields a very small and broad signal (see Figure 2-32). One possibility would be that this intermediate is a dimeric form similar to the structure of **20** in the solid state.

The experiments in this work showed that sulfur diimides react readily with different Grignard reagents. All products are obtained very pure and in high yields. By varying the steric demand of the substituent at the sulfur atom it is possible to get monomeric or dimeric molecules that can be distinguished by X-ray structure determination in the solid state and show interesting features in solution. The structural motifs of the monomer and the dimer are very different but in contrast to their lithium counterparts the monomeric and the dimeric magnesium diimidosulfinates do not show much variance among each other. The NMR spectra of 17-21 all show a multiple set of signals. It could be determined that the interconversion between the different species is temperature, time and concentration dependent and a reasonable explanation for the signal doubling supported by different NMR experiments was suggested. Nevertheless, an unequivocal assignment to a single process in solution could not be made. Since the reactions of the Grignard reagents with the sulfur diimides proceeded very smoothly further studies on the reactions of Grignard reagents with sulfur triimides were made. Up to now reactions of organolithium reagents with sulfur triimides were only successful with small organic substituents because of the electron concentrations above and below of the SN<sub>3</sub> plane. [162] By the application of a HSAB-soft *Grignard* nucleophile penetration of the electronic shielding should be possible, because it matches the soft character of the sulfur atom.

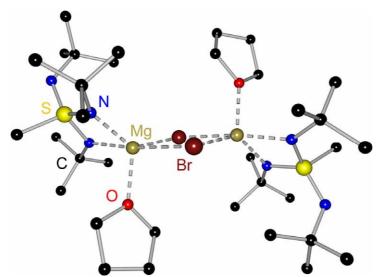
#### 2.4.2 Magnesium triimidosulfonates

After the results of the experiments described in chapter 2.4.1 it seemed promising to try the reactions with sulfur triimides. The reactions proved to be successful and yielded four magnesium trimiidosulfonates. The obtained triimidosulfonates  $[(THF)MgX(N^tBu)_3SR]_2$  (22: R = methyl, X = Br; 23: R = "butyl, X = Cl; 24: R = phenyl, X = Cl; 25: R = benzyl, X = Cl) can readily be synthesized by adding the *Grignard* reagent to the *tert*-butylsulfurtriimide (see Scheme 2-8).

**Scheme 2-8:** Preparation of the magnesium triimidosulfonates **22-25**.

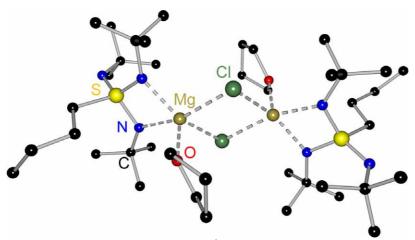
The reaction is straightforward and the products crystallize very well. Therefore the desired magnesium triimidosulfonates are obtained in good yields and high purity after one or two days of storage in the fridge.

Although *Deuerlein* already synthesized **23** and **24** the determined X-ray structures were of poor quality with low resolution and high *R*-factors.<sup>[185]</sup> Furthermore *Deuerlein* did not describe the signal doubling that can be observed in the NMR. Because of this the compounds were synthesized again and the structures in the solid state (X-ray) and in solution (NMR) were determined anew.



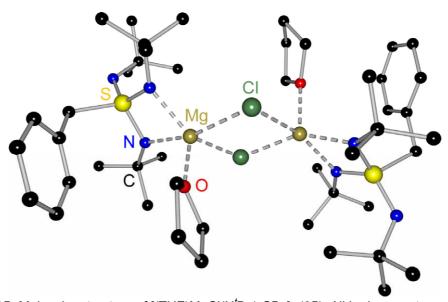
**Figure 2-33:** Molecular structure of [(THF)MgBr(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SMe]<sub>2</sub> (**22**). All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

In contrast to most of their diimidosulfinate analogues 22-25 crystallize solely as dimers (see Figure 2-33). However, in contradiction to the magnesium diimidosulfinates the triimidosulfonates exhibit bigger differences in the solid state structure due to the change of the substituent at the sulfur atom. Nevertheless, the general dimeric structural motif is preserved. In all structures two ligands are coupled by a central Mg<sub>2</sub>Hal<sub>2</sub> four-membered ring with the magnesium atoms exhibiting a distorted square-pyramidal coordination polyhedron made up from two nitrogen atoms of the triimidosulfonate monoanion, one oxygen atom of a THF molecule and the two halogen atoms. The sulfur atoms show a distorted tetrahedral environment with very similar angles in all compounds. The non-coordinating N<sup>t</sup>Bu group is pointing away from the metal atom and seems to be in an ideal position to coordinate a second metal (see Figure 2-34).



**Figure 2-34:** Molecular structure of [(THF)MgCl(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>S<sup>n</sup>Bu]<sub>2</sub> (**23**). All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

As already mentioned the diimidosulfinates mainly crystallize as monomers with a second donor molecule substituting the second halogen atom in the square pyramidal coordination geometry. Only when the added organic groups are large or inflexible a dimeric form is favored. Since the triimidosulfonates possess a third N<sup>t</sup>Bu group the steric demand of the ligand is to large for a second donor molecule resulting in exclusively dimeric structures. So changing the organic group makes virtually no difference for the general structural motif. Changing the halogen atom in the central ring has also no serious impact on the overall structure either (see Figure 2-35).



**Figure 2-35:** Molecular structure of [(THF)MgCl(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SBz]<sub>2</sub> (**25**). All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

For 22, 23 and 25 not only the general structural motifs but also most of the bond lengths and angles are identical within their estimated standard deviations (Table 2-6). Only small differences can be seen for example in the elongation of the S–C bond length in 25 which is due to the electron withdrawing effect of the adjacent phenyl substituent. The differences in the Mg–X and Mg–O bond lengths in 22 are most likely due to the change of the halogen anion.

When comparing the monomeric structural motif of the diimidosulfinates and the dimeric motif of the triimidosulfonates (see Figure 2-36) it is obvious that the change of the added organic substituent has a more substantial impact on the solid state structure of the latter.<sup>[186]</sup>

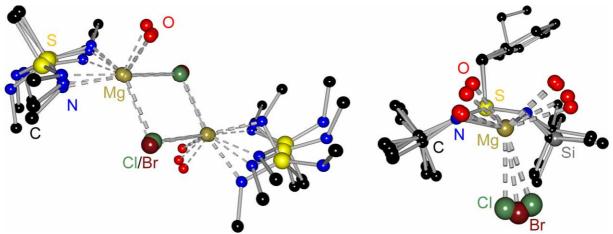
Table 2-6: Selected bond length [Å] for 22-25.

Compound	22	23	24	25
S-N1/N3	4.5000(04)	4.5040(22)	1.5880(21)/	1.5948(20)/
	1.5808(21)	1.5949(23)	1.6017(19)	1.5969(20)
0. NO.414	1 5076(17)	1 6075/22)	1.5976(19)/	1.5936(20)/
S-N2/N4	1.5976(17)	1.6075(22)	1.5880(21)	1.5967(20)
S-N5/N6	1.5228(21)	1.5282(22)	1.5281(22)/	1.5271(20)/
3-N3/N0	1.5226(21)	1.3262(22)	1.5224(20)	1.5257(20)
0.04/00	1.7880(22)	1.8107(26)	1.7972(32)/	1.8310(24)/
C-S1/S2	1.7600(22)	1.6107(20)	1.7972(25)	1.8331(24)
Ma N11/N12	0.0050/40)	2.0692(23)	2.0666(21)/	2.0941(21)/
Mg-N1/N3	2.0650(19)		2.0777(21)	2.0903(21)
Mg–N2/N4	2.0077(20)	2.0712(21)	2.0774(20)/	2.0703(22)/
	2.0677(20)		2.0821(20)	2.0898(21)
X1–Mg1/Mg2	0.0000(0)	0 4544(11)	2.4524(10)/	2.4367(13)/
	2.6683(9)	2.4544(11)	2.5165(10)	2.4859(11)
X2–Mg1/Mg2	2.5947(9)	0.4074/44)	2.4249(10)/	2.5134(11)/
		2.4874(11)	2.5178(9)	2.4621(11)
Mg–O	2.0325(18)	2.0742/24\	2.0537(18)/	2.0606(19)/
		2.0712(21)	2.0452(18)	2.0645(20)

For the diimidosulfinates the use of different nucleophiles only results in a small change in the twist of the <sup>t</sup>Bu groups to the N–S–N plane and a little shift of the halogen atom and the THF molecules while the change of the substituent has a much higher influence on the solid state structure of the triimidosulfonates.

Figure 2-36 shows the main differences between the solid state structures of **22**, **23** and **25** to be the different arrangements of the N–S–N planes. The carbon atoms of the <sup>t</sup>Bu groups stay in the N–S–N plane and the configuration of the imido groups as well as the organic substituent also do not change a lot.

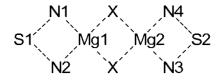
Thus, both ligands are skewed against each other resulting in a different twist between both N-S-N planes and the central  $Mg_2Hal_2$  plane for each organic substituent.



**Figure 2-36:** Superposition plot of **22, 23** and **25** (left), all hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity and only the *ipso* carbon atoms of the *tert*-butyl groups and the substituents at the sulfur atoms are shown; superposition plot of four magnesium diimidosulfinates **17-19** and **21** (right), all hydrogen atoms and the carbon atoms of the THF have been omitted for clarity.

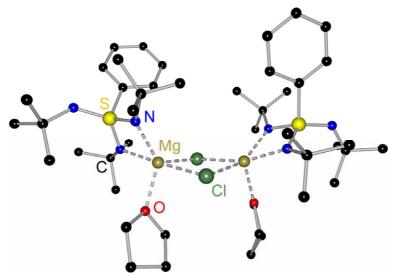
In the structures of **22** and **23** the N–S–N planes are coplanar because of an inversion center in the middle of the  $Mg_2X_2$  four-membered ring. **22** and **23** share even more similarities since they exhibit nearly the same torsion angle (75.03° vs. 74.20°) between the N–S–N planes.

**Table 2-7:** Selected torsion angles and angles between planes [°] for **22-25**.



Compound	22	23	24	25
Mg <sub>2</sub> X <sub>2</sub> –N1S1N2	50.70	35.3	66.50	42.50
$Mg_2X_2$ –N3S2N4	50.70	35.3	37.00	35.20
N1S1N2-N3S2N4	0.00	0.00	101.10	24.00
S1Mg1Mg2S2- N1S1N2	73.50	82.10	46.40	72.40
S1Mg1Mg2S2- N3S2N4	73.50	82.10	79.00	83.70
N1-Mg1-Mg2-N3	75.03	74.20	33.52	58.15
N2-Mg1-Mg2-N4	75.03	74.20	44.04	97.36
X-Mg-Mg-N1	62.84	49.02	9.95	21.77
X-Mg-Mg-N2	12.19	25.18	82.14	55.04
X-Mg-Mg-N3	62.84	49.12	43.47	42.33
X-Mg-Mg-N4	12.19	25.45	38.10	36.38

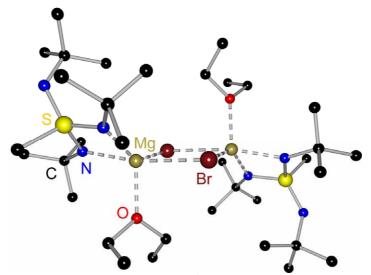
Nevertheless, there are still some differences between both structures. In **22** the deviation of the N–S–N planes out of the  $Mg_2X_2$  plane are a lot larger than in **23** (50.70° vs. 35.3°) and although the torsion angles between the N–S–N planes are nearly the same in both structures the skewing between the N–S–N planes and the  $Mg_2X_2$  plane is a lot bigger in **22** (90° - 73.5° = 16.5°) than in **23** (90° - 82.3 = 7.7°). Furthermore, it is obvious that the skewing between the two N–S–N planes and between the N–S–N planes and the  $Mg_2X_2$  plane, respectively, is greatest for **24** due to its unique structural motif (see Figure 2-37). Another possibility for the triimidosulfonates to avoid sterical strain is to change the C–N–S–N torsion angle. For **22-25** the torsion angles lie between 0.0° (*tert*-butyl groups are in the N–S–N plane) and 11.2°.



**Figure 2-37:** Molecular structure of [(THF)MgCl(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SPh]<sub>2</sub> (**24**). All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

In the structures of **22**, **23** and **25** the N–S–N planes are located at different sides of the central  $Mg_2X_2$  four-membered ring. One is bent up and the other plane bent down along with a *trans* configuration of the THF molecules and the organic substituent. In **24** both planes are located at the same side of that central ring in a *cisoid* orientation. The N–S–N planes are heavily skewed (see Table 2-7) to avoid clashing of the <sup>t</sup>Bu groups and the THF molecules. In addition, the  $Mg_2X_2$  plane is slightly folded (12°) to give the THF molecules even more space. While in **22**, **23** and **25** the complexes are packed in a way to accommodate a THF molecule in the slot between a <sup>t</sup>Bu group and another THF molecule of the next complex, in **24** the phenyl groups of one complex and the THF molecules of another are arranged intertwining resulting in  $\pi$ -H interactions.

By changing the solvent from THF to  $Et_2O$  it is possible to crystallize new compounds. Exemplarily  $[(Et_2O)MgBr(N^tBu)_3SMe]_2$  (26) was synthesized, isolated and characterized. For the  $Et_2O$  stabilized magnesium triimidosulfonate the structural motif is retained except for the change of the donor molecules (see Figure 2-38).



**Figure 2-38:** Molecular structure of [(Et<sub>2</sub>O)MgBr(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SMe]<sub>2</sub> (**26**). All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

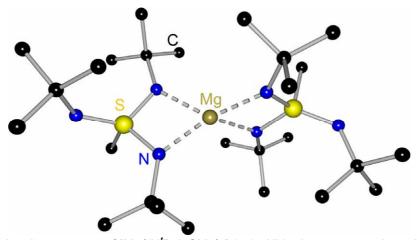
As mentioned above **22** and **26** crystallize as dimers with one half of the molecule in the asymmetric unit. A comparison of the bond lengths and angles shows some differences (see Table 2-8) but the structural motif stays the same.

Compound	22	26	Compound	22	26
Distances			Angles		
S-N1	1.5808 (21)	1.5871 (25)	N-S-N	94.98 (10)	95.19 (12)
S-N2	1.5976 (17)	1.6005 (23)	N-Mg-N	69.07 (7)	68.97 (9)
0.115 4.5000	4 5000 (04)	5228 (21) 1.5302 (23)	C-S-N	109.08 (11)	108.48 (14)
S–N5	1.5228 (21)			108.63 (10)	108.55 (13)
C-S1	1.7880 (22)	1.7961 (28)	Mg <sub>2</sub> X <sub>2</sub> –NSN	50.70	44.50
Mg-N1	2.0650 (19)	2.0817 (25)	S1Mg1Mg2S2-NSN	73.50	83.70
Mg-N2	2.0677 (20)	2.0753 (24)	N1-Mg1-Mg2-N3	75.03	74.96
Br1–Mg1	2.6683 (9)	2.7068 (9)	X-Mg-Mg-N1	62.84	56.25
Br2-Mg1	2.5947 (9)	2.6099 (9)	X-Mg-Mg-N2	12.19	18.71
Mg-O	2.0325 (18)	2.0462 (21)			

It is eye-catching that in **26** all bonds to the magnesium atoms are a little bit smaller than in **22**. This can only be attributed to the higher steric demand of the  $Et_2O$  molecule resulting in small bond elongations around the magnesium atom. The distances and angles within each triimidosulfonate are nearly the same but the arrangement of both ligands to each other and to the central  $Mg_2X_2$  four fold ring is very different in both structures. Only the torsion angles between the two triimdosulfonates are nearly the same, otherwise all angles (e. g. the twist between the ligands or the angle between ligand and central ring) exhibit distinct differences.

By changing the solvent again, this time from THF to toluene, it is possible to generate new complexes of the general formula  $[Mg\{(N^tBu)_3SR\}_2]$ . Without an additional donor base the magnesium triimidosulfonates can lose  $MgHal_2$  and form new complexes. In the case of **22** the eliminated magnesium bromide can be removed by filtration. From the solution of **22** in toluene, crystals of  $[Mg\{(N^tBu)_3SMe\}_2]$  (**27**) could be obtained as colorless plates (see Figure 2-39). However further experiments to generate complexes of the general formula  $[Mg\{(N^tBu)_3SR\}_2]$  with the other magnesium triimidosulfonates **23-25** were not successful. Apparently the higher solubility in THF of the magnesium bromide compared to the magnesium chloride is a decisive factor for the forming of  $[Mg\{(N^tBu)_3SR\}_2]$ . A further reason might be the smaller steric demand of the methyl group compared to the other sulfur bound substituents.

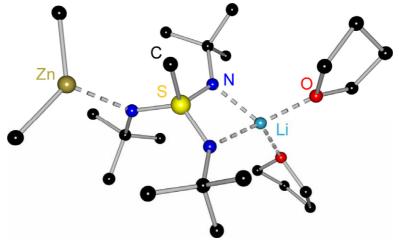
In **27** one magnesium atom is coordinated by two anions leaving the magnesium atom with a distorted tetrahedral environment.



**Figure 2-39:** Molecular structure of [Mg{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SMe}<sub>2</sub>] (**27**). All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

The angles between the nitrogen atoms belonging to the same anion are more acute (70.5°) whereas the angles between the nitrogen atoms belonging to different anions are widened (130.8°). The two anions coordinating the magnesium atom are nearly perpendicular to each other (86.9°). This small deviation is caused by the different steric demand of the methyl group and the non-coordinating imido group. For that reason each half of the dimer is leaning a little bit to the side where the methyl group of the other half is situated. The Mg-N bond lengths are considerably shorter than those in 22-25. That could be expected since the magnesium atom is only coordinated by the two anions and no additional donor base is present. The distances in the ligand anion are the same as in 22-25. A similar structural motif was found by Pauer who synthesized [(THF)Mg(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SPh]. [68] In this structure the magnesium atom is also coordinated by two anions but the use of THF as solvent and the lower steric strain resulting from the use of diimidosulfinates instead of triimidosulfonates results in an additional THF coordination. The magnesium atom in [(THF)Mg{(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SPh}<sub>2</sub>] exhibits a square pyramidal environment with the THF molecule occupying the apex of the pyramid. Because of the coordination geometry the diimidosulfinate anions get very close to each other resulting in distinctly longer Mg-N bond lengths (average 2.14 Å).

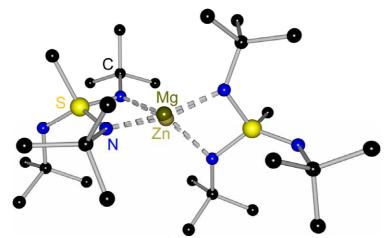
After it was shown that a variety of organic groups can be added to the sulfurtriimides when *Grignard* reagents are used instead of lithium organyls the next step was to employ the third imido group as additional donor. This way it should be possible to synthesize bimetallic or even heterobimetallic complexes.



**Figure 2-40:** Molecular structure of [(THF)<sub>2</sub>Li(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SMe(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)ZnMe<sub>2</sub>]. All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Earlier work in our group showed that it is indeed possible to coordinate a metal to the third imido group. Walfort synthesized  $[(THF)_2Li(N^tBu)_2SMe(N^tBu)ZnMe_2]$  (see Figure 2-40) by adding dimethyl zinc to  $[(THF)_2Li(N^tBu)_3SMe]$ . [90]

To mimic the synthesis of *Walfort*, **22-25** were reacted with different *Lewis* acids like dimethyl zinc, trimethyl aluminum or  $B(C_6F_5)_3$ . Unfortunately the experiments did not yield the desired products. Where the experiments with trimethyl aluminum and  $B(C_6F_5)_3$  only afforded crude mixtures, one distinct compound could be isolated from the reaction with dimethyl zinc. Unexpectedly, dimethyl zinc reacted with **22** under metal exchange yielding  $[Zn\{(N^tBu)_3SMe\}_2]$  (**28**). The same complex could be isolated after the reaction of **22** with ZnBrPh indicating that the triimidosulfonates have a strong affinity for the zinc atom, resulting in the formation of **28**, even if only unsuitable leaving groups are present in the used zinc compound. **28** exhibits the same structural motif as **27** with the zinc atom coordinated by two monoanionic triimidosulfonate ligands (Figure 2-41).



**Figure 2-41:** Molecular structure of [Zn/Mg{(N<sup>f</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SMe}<sub>2</sub>] (**28**). All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

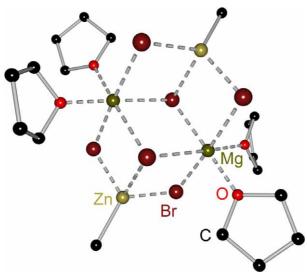
Although [Zn{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SMe}<sub>2</sub>] was already synthesized by *Walfort* **28** is still a new compound since the zinc atom is disordered with a magnesium atom from **22**. The occupancy of the zinc atom refines to 75 % compared to 25 % of the magnesium atom (in a second experiment the ratio of zinc/magnesium was 70/30). The bond lengths and angles of **27** and **28** are depicted in Table 2-9. For a better comparison the bond lengths and angles of [Zn{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SMe}<sub>2</sub>] synthesized by *Walfort* are also listed.

Table 2-9: Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] of 27 and 28.

Compound	27	[Zn{(N <sup>t</sup> Bu) <sub>3</sub> SMe} <sub>2</sub> ]	28	
			Mg	Zn
Distances				
S-N1	1.6013 (23)	1.6023 (29)	1.595	4 (18)
S-N2	1.5949 (23)	1.5932 (28)	1.6029	9 (18)
S-N3	1.5234 (24)	1.5192 (27)	1.523	3 (18)
S–C	1.7843 (28)	1.7827 (38)	1.785	1 (23)
N1–M	2 0445 (22)	0.0400 (07)	2.1600 (199)	2.0096 (29)
IN I—IVI	2.0445 (23)	2.0186 (27)	1.9588 (263)	2.0250 (35)
N2–M	2 0224 (22)	2.0025 (27)	1.9921 (269)	2.0150 (36)
INZ—IVI	2.0324 (23)	2.0035 (27)	1.9918 (270)	2.0306 (36)
Angles				
N-S-N	94.79 (12)	94.34 (14)	94.5	5 (9)
	70.48 (9)	71.27 (11)	68.79 (76)	70.81 (12)
	70.49 (9)	71.27 (11)	72.99 (88)	71.44 (12)
N-M-N	130.36 (9)	130.04 (12)	124.48 (1.24)	129.18 (17)
IN—IVI—IN	130.36 (9)	130.04 (12)	126.80 (1.17)	129.29 (17)
	131.21 (15)	130.17 (16)	133.06 (1.44)	133.57 (16)
	135.38 (15)	135.01 (17)	140.33 (1.39)	133.84 (16)
CEN	108.01 (13)	108.54 (18)	109.78	8 (11)
C-S-N	107.94 (14)	108.60 (18)	108.73	3 (10)

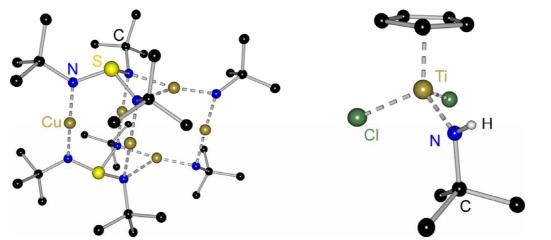
Table 2-9 displays that all three compounds not only exhibit the same structural motif but also show nearly the same distances and angles. Even the metal nitrogen bonds are only slightly different. Therefore it is not surprising that there is a disorder of both metal atoms in 28. Comparison of the structures with other known triimidosulfonate metal complexes shows no striking features. As expected the N–S–N angle in 27 and 28 as well as in 22-25 is considerably more acute than in the known lithium triimidosulfonates, in order to extend the metal-sulfur distance, since the magnesium atom is larger than the lithium atom. All other bond lengths and angles are in the normal range for known triimidosulfonates. 27 and 28 are chiral molecules. As well as their analogue synthesized by *Walfort* they exhibit chirality along the S-M-S axis. Unfortunately all three compounds crystallize in centrosymmetric space groups as racemates.

An adjacent reaction of **28** with one equivalent of dimethyl zinc did also not result in a coordination of the third imido group but in a decomposition of the complex (see Figure 2-42).



**Figure 2-42:** Molecular structure of [(THF)<sub>2</sub>MgBr<sub>3</sub>ZnMe]<sub>2</sub>. All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

In addition to the attempts to use the third imido group as additional donor site, metal exchange reactions were investigated. Although the experiments with different zinc compounds showed that a metal exchange is possible, further reactions with different metal chlorides gave not the desired products. The structures in Figure 2-43 display the liability of the triimidosulfonates against redox and decomposition reactions. In the complex on the left side copper atoms in two different oxidation states are present.

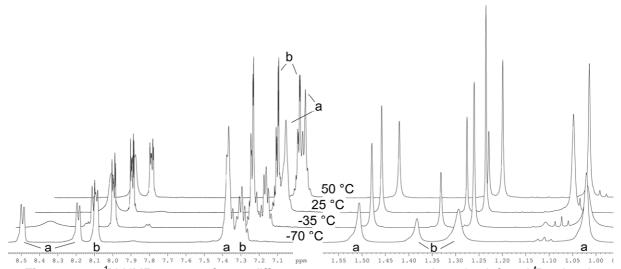


**Figure 2-43:** Products resulting from the reactions of magnesium triimidosulfonates and CuCl (left) / CpTiCl<sub>3</sub> (right). All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

While the four linear coordinated copper atoms exhibit an oxidation state of one (as in the reagent) the two copper atoms being trigonal planar coordinated are dications. The attempt to hydrolyze the magnesium sulfonates with *tert*-butylammonium chloride, in order to deprotonate the resulting sulfonic acid with metal amides, only yielded crude mixtures instead of defined products. Although the NMR experiments (discussed later in this chapter) showed that the magnesium sulfonates can be hydrolyzed, *tert*-butylammonium chloride seems not to be the right reagent for this task.

As their diimido analogues, the triimidosulfonates exhibit a multiple set of the expected resonances in the NMR spectra. Which peaks belong to one species could be determined by integration of the signals and by NOESY experiments. Further NMR experiments at different temperatures (see Figure 2-44) showed that in contrast to the diimidosulfinates, the equilibrium between the two species in solution is not temperature dependent. While for the diimidosulfinates the ratio between both compounds changes from 2.5/1 to 1.5/1 depending on the temperature, the triimidosulfonates only exhibit negligible changes in the ratio of both compounds. This probably arises from the slightly different integration of the signals. Further NMR experiments showed that the same holds true for the time (from priming the sample to measuring it) and the concentration dependence.

Figure 2-44 shows the protons from the coordinating and the non-coordinating N<sup>t</sup>Bu groups of **24** to resonate between 1.0 ppm and 1.6 ppm while the signals for the phenyl group occur between 7.2 ppm and 8.6 ppm.



**Figure 2-44:** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra of **24** at different temperatures; aromatic region left and <sup>r</sup>Bu signals right.

It is conspicuous that for component **a** the *ortho* protons of the phenyl substituent can only be resolved at low temperatures while the protons of component **b** can be resolved even at higher temperatures. That indicates that the rotation about the S–C axis is somehow hindered in component **b**. Furthermore, the shift of the signals is noteworthy. While for the diimidosulfinates the change of the shifts for the 'Bu protons and the organic periphery are always in the same direction (to higher or lower field) the change of the shifts for the triimidosulfonates signals are not unitary. As Figure 2-44 shows, the resonances for the *ortho* protons of the phenyl ring and for the protons of the non-coordinating N'Bu group are shifted to lower field for species **b** while the proton signal of the coordinating N'Bu group is shifted to higher field. The signals for the *metalpara* protons are even shifted to higher field for lower temperatures and to lower field for higher temperatures. Similar observations can be made for the **23** and **25**. This indicates that the differences between the triimidosulfonate species in solution are more distinct than for the diimidosulfinate species.

A <sup>15</sup>N-HMBC spectrum finally revealed the solution for the described facts. A cross peak between a very broad signal which was hardly visible in the <sup>1</sup>H-spectrum and a <sup>15</sup>N-signal which also coupled with a <sup>t</sup>Bu group made it evident that one of the species in solution was the protonated ligand. The hydrogen bonded to the nitrogen atom resonates at 3.67 ppm, next to the THF signal and exhibits a very broad peak. In Figure 2-44 the sulfonic acid is shown as species **b**. As expected, the ratio of the signals for the <sup>1</sup>Bu groups is 2 to 1 for the sulfonic acid since only one nitrogen atom is protonated. A NOESY spectrum showed that the exchange between the protonated nitrogen atom and the unprotonated nitrogen atoms is slow (1 % of the molecules in 0.5 s). Furthermore, the identification of the sulfonic acid validates the aforementioned assumption that the difference between the two species in solution is bigger for the triimidosulfonates than for the diimidosulfinates. While the diimidosulfinates exhibit a conformational isomerism in solution the signal doubling for the triimidosulfonates is due to another molecule being present in the NMR sample. In addition it provides an explanation, why the ortho protons of the phenyl substituent in 3 can be resolved for component b at room temperature. Since the sulfonic acid does not coordinate any metal, the angle between the two nitrogen atoms is not around 75°, as normally found for the sulfurimido metal complexes, but more obtuse resulting in a hindered rotation around the S-C bond. Signals of the triimido sulfonic acid can be found in all NMR spectra of 1-5, indicating that the

magnesium triimidosulfonates are extremely sensitive to moisture. Even if the NMR tube is filled in the glove box and then sealed off, the spectrum shows traces of the sulfonic acid. Since the NMR spectra were made from filtered off crystals it seems unlikely that the protonated ligand is incorporated during the synthesis. Therefore the only explanation is that the magnesium triimidosulfonates were hydrolyzed by the small amounts of water present in the glovebox and in the NMR solvents or during the filtration process.

The second species **a** in solution exhibits two signals for the <sup>t</sup>Bu groups in a ratio of 2 to 1 for 24 and 25 and one broad signal for 22 and 23. By cooling to -70 °C, it is possible to resolve the broad signals in 22 and 23, resulting in the expected two signals with a ratio of 2 to 1. 22 shows an even more complex spectrum. In solution three components coexist. Two of the species were already described, but the major compound exhibits not two signals with a ratio of 2 to 1 (coordinating/noncoordinating) for the 'Bu groups but three with equal integrals, displaying that the molecule is arranged in a way that yields non-equivalent coordinating N<sup>t</sup>Bu groups. After the synthesis of [Mg{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SMe}<sub>2</sub>] a comparison with the NMR-spectrum of 27 showed that the major compound in the spectrum of 22 is the same as in 27. This indicates that in solution 22 looses magnesiumbromide and consequently exhibits the same structure as **27** in solution. This also provides the answer for the three N<sup>t</sup>Bu signals. As expected one signal comes from the non-coordinating N<sup>1</sup>Bu group and the crystal structure of 27 delivers the reason for the differences of the coordinating ones. One coordinating N<sup>t</sup>Bu group resides on the same side as the methyl group and the other one is opposite to another N<sup>t</sup>Bu group resulting in different resonance frequencies.

With this information in mind a DOSY spectrum of **22** was recorded. It showed that the third species, exhibiting only one signal for the <sup>t</sup>Bu groups at room temperature, is a little bit smaller in solution than **27**. As expected the DOSY spectrum showed that the set of signals belonging to the sulfonic acid exhibits a much lower atom number and therefore moves faster in solution. A second DOSY spectrum of **23** confirmed that the triimidosulfonate species is bigger than the protonated ligand but smaller as **27**. Therefore it can be concluded that the magnesium triimidosulfonates are most likely monomeric in solution.

As described the tert-butylsulfurtriimide reacts readily with different Grignard reagents resulting in very pure magnesium triimidosulfonates in good yields. By using *Grignard* reagents it was possible to broaden the field of available triimidosulfonates. Where up to this point only small and flat organic groups could be added to the sulfurtriimides, now a variety of organic substituents can be used. This new selection of organic substituents shows that the triimidosulfonates are interesting ligands. It is easy to change their coordination geometry within the complexes because the triimidosulfonate ligand reacts very flexible to the requirements of the sulfur-bound substituent by either changing the twist between both ligands in the dimer or even changing the whole structural motif as shown by 24. Comparison of the C-N-S-N torsion angles of the magnesium triimidosulfonates (between 0.0° and 13.3°) and the magnesium diimidosulfinates (between 40° and 50°) further emphasizes the flexibility of the sulfur imido ligands. Additionally, the broadened field of possible substituents should enhance the solubility in nearly all organic solvents since the organic periphery can now be adapted to the desired solvent. Another interesting fact is the flexibility of the ligand not only towards the changing of the sulfur bound substituent but also to the change of the solvent. The comparison of 22 with 26 displays that the arrangement of the triimidosulfonate can also be changed very easily by the variation of the donor base. The effect is even more drastic when a non-donating solvent is used. Then new complexes with a different structural motif are formed. The NMR experiments showed that the ligands are very sensitive to moisture resulting in a fast protonation and the forming of sulfonic acid. Furthermore, the spectra in solution showed that the conformation in solution must be nearly the same as in the solid state.

Although the presented results display that the magnesium triimidosulfonates are adaptable ligands with a lot of conformational freedom the coordination of a second metal was not possible. In spite of the result of *Walfort*, an additional example for the coordination potential of the pending third imido group could not be synthesized. However, the coordination experiments showed that a metal exchange is possible, although the reactions are not without problems. Therefore, further coordination experiments with different *Lewis* bases and triimidosulfonate metal complexes (with the exception of magnesium) should be performed to realize the coordination of a second metal by the pending imido group.

# 3 FIELD TEST OF THE INCOATEC MICROFOCUS SOURCE

#### 3.1 Introduction

Since von Laue performed the first X-ray scattering experiment in 1912 the field of X-ray diffraction developed rapidly. [187] Starting from cold-cathode tubes as X-ray sources and photographical films as detectors for the scattering effect, the equipment evolved fast. Soon there where hot-cathode tubes which provided higher intensities<sup>[188]</sup> and enhanced cameras that suited the requirements of the crystallographers better. [189] Another break-through was the development of moveable detectors that were able to measure reflections at different angles to the primary beam. Galley was one of the first to build such a system in 1935. [190] Later improved mounting devices were added to the goniometers that allowed the crystal to be oriented at different orientations.[191] First Geiger counters were employed as detectors on these goniometers but they were soon replaced by scintillation counters that detect impulses proportional to the incoming energy of the X-ray photons and have a reasonably short dead-time. [192] With the new detectors more reflections could be measured in a shorter period of time and their intensities could be determined more accurately. In addition, new X-ray sources became available around 1950. Due to the better cooling a rotating anode permitted to run the systems on a higher loading than the equivalent fixed anode systems. [193] Another idea to realize higher performances was to use focus points with smaller radii. This led to the new microfocus X-ray sources.[194] The next big progress in X-ray diffraction was the development of area detectors (multiwire detectors [195] and charge coupled devices<sup>[196]</sup>). With those new detectors more reflections could be collected in a shorter period of time, initiating the structure determination of proteins and other large molecules. Although the development of new detectors and X-ray sources flourished another problem had to be addressed. Since the X-ray tubes gave radiation beyond the  $K_{\alpha}$  emission the additional wavelengths had to be filtered somehow. The first development in this field was established during the 1960s when the graphite monochromators replaced the  $\beta$ -filters. This was the device of choice until 1982 when Göbel developed mirror optics that were capable of monochromating the X-ray beam. [197] Since then new graded multilayer mirrors [198,199] were developed which, in contrast to total reflection mirrors<sup>[200]</sup> and capillary optics<sup>[201]</sup>, can

simultaneously focus and monochromate the X-ray beam. This concept of using a microfocus X-ray source in combination with focusing X-ray optics for diffraction experiments, that was first pioneered by Arndt in the early Nineties, [198] provides an attractive alternative to the conventional sealed tube sources with graphite monochromators that are still used for the majority of small-molecule single-crystal structure determinations. Their basic design, except for the introduction of capillary optics, has hardly changed for the last 50 years. Since the development of graded multilayer mirrors for  $MoK_{\alpha}$  radiation<sup>[202,203]</sup> this concept is further supported. The Incoatec Microfocus Source (further referred to as IµS) employed in the experiments reported here, combines graded multilayer mirrors with an air-cooled 30 W microfocus sealed tube, resulting in a source characterized by a high flux density. In the comparison of this source with a conventional Bruker sealed tube, equipped with a graphite monochromator and a monocap glass capillary collimator (further referred to as tube), every effort was made to ensure that all other factors that could influence the quality of the resulting crystal structures were as similar as possible. By mounting both sources on the same goniometer, it proved possible to compare the same crystals, in the same orientation and at the same data collection temperature, using the same detector, wavelength ( $MoK_{\alpha}$ ) and processing software.

## 3.2 Setup and Data Processing

## 3.2.1 Description of the experiments

The test crystals were chosen to represent a cross section of typical small-molecule crystal structures. They included an isoquinoline ( $\mathbf{O}$ ), a diimidosulfur complex<sup>[186]</sup> ( $\mathbf{OM}$ ) and a strongly absorbing tungsten salt<sup>[204]</sup> ( $\mathbf{S}$ ). The structures of these molecules are depicted in Figure 3-1. The isoquinoline crystallizes in the monoclinic space group  $P2_1$  with a single molecule in the asymmetric unit, the diimidosulfur complex in the monoclinic space group  $P2_1/c$  also with one molecule in the asymmetric unit, and the tungsten salt in the monoclinic space group  $P2_1/n$  with a single ion pair in the asymmetric unit. In the diimidosulfur complex, the trimethylsilyl and the *tert*-butyl substituents on the nitrogen atoms are disordered, making the selected crystals even more representative.

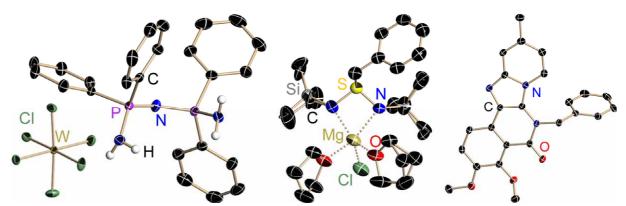


Figure 3-1: Tungsten salt (S/left), diimidosulfur complex (OM/center) and isoquinoline (O/right).

One major challenge of the experiments was the different beam width of the  $I\mu S$  and the conventional sealed tube. To provide a fair comparison, small crystals that were better suited for the small beam size of the  $I\mu S$  and larger crystals that matched the width of the beam from the conventional source were investigated for each compound for both sources.

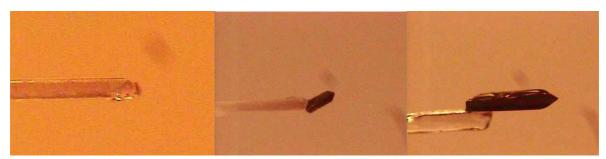


Figure 3-2: Crystals of different size (O<sub>small</sub> left/ S<sub>small</sub> middle/ S<sub>large</sub> right).

The resulting four data sets for each substance were processed and compared. In addition, another experiment was performed in which a small and a larger block-shaped crystal of triphenylthiophosphane<sup>[205]</sup> (Figure 3-3) were employed that closely matched the diameters of each X-ray beam.

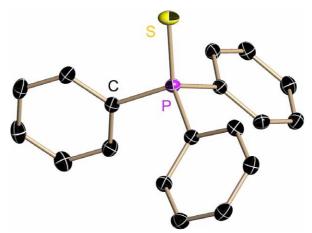


Figure 3-3: Structure of triphenylthiophosphane (P).

In this experiment the volume of the crystal irradiated was supposed to be almost constant throughout the data collection, so it was of interest to compare the results without using SADABS<sup>[206]</sup> to scale the data.

#### 3.2.2 Diffractometer set-up

All experiments were performed with a Bruker Smart Apex II system based on a D8 Goniometer. In addition to the original fine-focus sealed tube source with graphite monochromator and a 0.50 mm glass capillary collimator, an Incoatec Microfocus Source with Quazar mirror optics ( $I\mu S$ ) was attached to the goniometer with its beam direction perpendicular to the omega rotation axis of the goniometer. So it was in the same plane as the beam from the conventional source and the normal to the detector face (Figure 3-4). The crystal position was placed in the image focus of the multilayer optic.

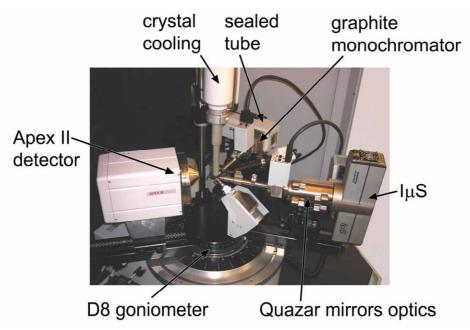


Figure 3-4: Diffractometer setup.

All experiments were performed at 100 K with MoK $_{\alpha}$ -radiation at generator settings of 50 kV/40 mA for the sealed tube and 50 kV/0.6 mA for the I $_{\mu}$ S. For the data collection, flash-cooled crystals were mounted on the tip of the same glass fibre, [207,208] data were collected using 180°  $_{\omega}$ -scans with 0.3° step-width in different  $_{\phi}$ -positions. After collecting data with one source, the experiment was repeated with the second source, keeping the temperature and the position of the crystal

unchanged. The experimental settings are shown in Table 3-1. Equal exposure times for both sources could not be realized in all cases, because an adequate exposure time for the sealed tube would in some cases have resulted in saturating the detector with the  $I\mu S$ . In such cases the exposure time was chosen independently for each source to reach the integration limit of 0.80 Å for the sealed tube and avoid topped pixels for the  $I\mu S$ .

Compound	sample	crystal size [mm]	runs	exposure time [s] (sealed tube/ IμS)
organic ( <b>O</b> )	O <sub>small</sub>	0.10 x 0.05 x 0.05	4	90/30*
(CCDC:724643- 724646)	O <sub>large</sub>	0.30 x 0.25 x 0.15	4	15/10*
organometallic ( <b>OM</b> )	$\mathbf{OM}_{small}$	0.20 x 0.15 x 0.10	4	60
(CCDC:724647- 724650)	<b>OM</b> <sub>large</sub>	0.50 x 0.40 x 0.30	4	5
salt ( <b>S</b> )	<b>S</b> <sub>small</sub>	0.20 x 0.15 x 0.10	4	20/5*
(CCDC:724653- 724656)	S <sub>large</sub>	0.70 x 0.20 x 0.20	4	3
phosphane (P)	$\mathbf{P}_{small}$	0.10 x 0.10 x 0.10	7	5
(CCDC:724651-	В	0.40 × 0.40 × 0.40	7	5

Table 3-1: Experimental settings for each data set.

0.40 x 0.40 x 0.40

### 3.2.3 Data processing and structure refinement

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724652)

All data sets were integrated to a resolution of 0.80 Å using SAINT v7.34A $^{[209]}$  as implemented in the Apex II Software package v2.1. $^{[209]}$  Scaling was performed with SADABS-2007/5. $^{[206]}$  The structures were solved by direct methods (SHELXS-97) $^{[210]}$  and refined by full-matrix least-squares against  $F^2$  (SHELXL-97). $^{[210]}$  All non-hydrogen atoms were refined with anisotropic displacement parameters. The hydrogen atoms were refined isotropically at calculated positions using a riding model with their isotropic displacement parameters constrained to be equal to 1.5 times the equivalent isotropic displacement parameters of their pivot atoms for terminal sp $^3$  carbon atoms and 1.2 times for all other carbon atoms.

<sup>\*</sup> the exposure time that was necessary in the sealed tube experiment in order to reach the integration limit of 0.8 Å would have caused topped pixels in the IµS measurement

The positions of the hydrogen atoms in the NH<sub>2</sub>-groups were determined by inspection of the residual electron density and refined isotropically with distance restraints. Disordered moieties were refined using distance restraints (DFIX) and ADP restraints (DELU, SIMU and ISOR).

The comparison of the data was performed in three stages. Scaling procedures such as those employed in the program SADABS are designed to enhance the data quality by applying empirical corrections, for example for variations in the volume of the crystal irradiated and absorption by the crystal and its support, that make the intensities of equivalent reflections more equal. This inevitably leads to the reduction of systematic errors and a general leveling of data quality, which could suppress the differences that are of interest here. For this reason, the first comparison was made after integrating the data with SAINT but before scaling with SADABS. For area detectors that inevitably collect redundant data but are subject to a variety of systematic errors that require correction, this empirical scaling could also be regarded as an essential part of the experiment designed to obtain the best quality data, so the second comparison was performed after scaling. The third comparison was made after solving and refining the structures to obtain the best possible structure, subject to the limitations of the independent atom model (IAM), to see to what extent the different sources leave their fingerprints in the final refined structures. For the  $P_{\text{small}}$  and  $P_{\text{large}}$  datasets a different processing strategy was employed. To reduce the corrective influence of the software, both data sets where integrated by the simple sum method without profile fitting, [209] and no scaling or absorption corrections were applied.

### 3.3 Comparison of the Beam Profiles

First the flux densities of the primary beams were compared. Figure 3-5 shows the beam profiles of the two sources in the detector plane. For this measurement the detector was placed at the position usually occupied by the crystal and was exposed for 5 s to an attenuated primary beam. For comparison purposes there is a detailed profile analysis communicated by *Pinkerton*.<sup>[211]</sup>

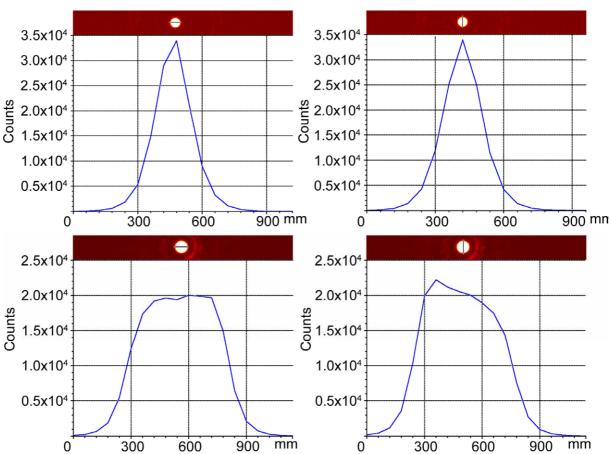


Figure 3-5: Profiles of the beam from the  $I\mu S$  (top) and the sealed tube (bottom) (left) perpendicular to the  $\omega$  axis of the goniometer and (right) parallel to it.

The full width at half maximum (FWHM) of the beam from the sealed tube is about 0.50 mm in both directions and it shows a pronounced intensity plateau (see Figure 3-5). The measured half width of the  $I\mu S$  is only 0.16 mm. The  $I\mu S$  beam shows no intensity plateau but a very symmetrical *Gaussian* shape profile. If the point spread function caused by the phosphorescent screen is taken into account the corrected beam size is 0.49 mm × 0.49 mm for the sealed tube and 0.14 mm × 0.14 mm for the  $I\mu S$ . The beam divergence of the  $I\mu S$  is 5 mrad where the sealed tube exhibits a beam divergence of 7 mrad.

The I $\mu$ S produces more counts at the peak maximum (3.4  $\times$  10<sup>4</sup> vs. 2.2  $\times$  10<sup>4</sup> counts) but less integral counts (4.6  $\times$  10<sup>5</sup> vs. 13.9  $\times$  10<sup>5</sup> integral counts) relative to the sealed tube. This yields a four times higher flux density of 30.0 $\times$ 10<sup>6</sup> counts/mm<sup>2</sup> for the I $\mu$ S compared to 7.4 $\times$ 10<sup>6</sup> counts/mm<sup>2</sup> for the sealed tube.

Figure 3-6 depicts the shapes of the primary beams. At the left the very narrow and sharp beam profile of the  $I\mu S$  with no plateau is shown and at the right the broader top-hat shaped beam of the sealed tube.

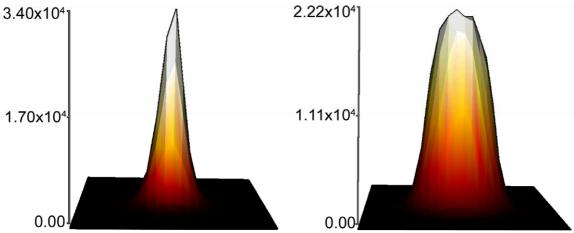


Figure 3-6: 3d-shape of the IµS (left) and of the sealed tube beam (right).

## **Data Quality after Integration**

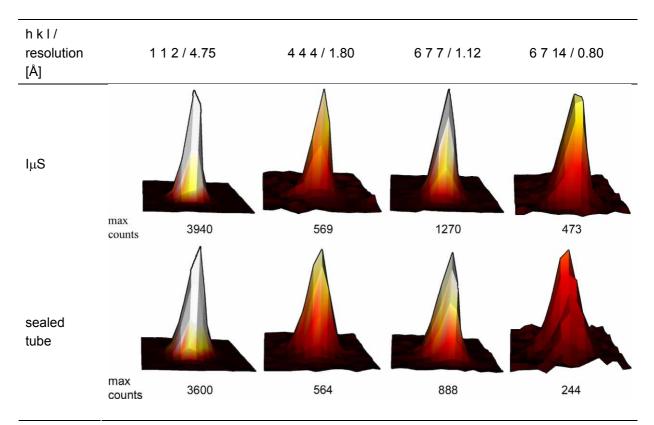
For comparison purposes the mean intensity (</>/>/), the mean intensity divided by its standard deviation  $<(I/\sigma)_s>$  and the index  $R_{\text{sym}^i}$  from the SAINT output are listed in Table 3-2.

sample	source		<(//o)s>	$R_{sym}$
0	IμS	147.9	12.14	0.152
O <sub>small</sub>	sealed tube	20.8	5.77	0.098
0	ΙμЅ	5072.0	56.40	0.160
O <sub>large</sub>	sealed tube	1387.7	37.54	0.054
OM	ΙμЅ	523.3	33.34	0.082
<b>OM</b> <sub>small</sub>	sealed tube	49.6	6.54	0.123
OM	ΙμЅ	5300.5	45.83	0.077
<b>OM</b> <sub>large</sub>	sealed tube	2537.6	30.57	0.052
6	ΙμЅ	5593.1	41.60	0.186
S <sub>small</sub>	sealed tube	1211.8	37.83	0.089
e	ΙμЅ	5640.8	32.90	0.357
<b>S</b> <sub>large</sub>	sealed tube	2899.8	21.96	0.138

Table 3-2: Selected values from the SAINT output.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>text{i}}$  R<sub>sym</sub> =  $\sum \left|I - \left\langle I \right\rangle\right| / \sum \left|I\right|$ 

<I> and <(I/ $\sigma$ )<sub>s</sub>> are larger for all experiments performed with the IµS. Nevertheless, the higher  $\langle (I/\sigma)_s \rangle$  of the IµS is accompanied by high  $R_{svm}$  values in almost all experiments, showing a distinct variation of the symmetry equivalent intensities from their mean values. The biggest differences are shown by the O<sub>small</sub> datasets. Although the exposure time for the IµS was only a third of that for the sealed tube, </l> I and I Iare much higher (by factors of more than 7 and 2, respectively) for the IµS dataset, and the same trend holds true for all crystals. The differences are more pronounced when comparing the datasets of small and weakly diffracting crystals, but even for strongly diffracting compounds and large crystals, where the sealed tube might be expected to be superior because of a higher total flux, the IµS still gives higher values of </br>
 and <( $I/\sigma$ )<sub>s</sub>>. Although the reflections from the IµS are more intense,  $R_{\text{sym}}$  is always lower for the sealed tube datasets with the exception of **OM**<sub>small</sub>. This outlier might be explained by the much lower  $\langle (I/\sigma)_s \rangle$  (i.e. more noisy data) for the sealed tube. This experiment also showed the largest intensity differences between the two sources, </l> higher.



**Figure 3-7:** Comparison of reflection profiles (all profiles are shown in a 15 pixel × 15 pixel box) at different resolutions for **OM**<sub>large</sub>.

The ratios of the </l>
In part due to the contribution of counting statistics, increasing  $\sigma_s$  when I is larger, but also because  $\sigma_s$  values appear to be higher for the I $\mu$ S, probably as a result of the less effective profile fitting. Because of the sharper beam profile of the I $\mu$ S, the effects of crystal imperfections and orientation on the reflection profile will be less effectively smoothed out, adversely affecting the fit to the reference profile. That the use of different X-ray sources result in different reflection profiles can be seen in Figure 3-7. The reflection profiles of the I $\mu$ S resemble the beam profiles being more slender and spiky than the profiles of the sealed tube.

Although the I $\mu$ S delivers higher intensity values than the sealed tube for small crystals, the variance of the mean intensity value of the symmetry equivalent reflections is larger as a result of changes in the intensity-weighted volume irradiated. This effect is enhanced if a strongly absorbing sample of excessive size is investigated (e. g.  $\mathbf{S}_{\text{large}}$ ). The  $R_{\text{sym}}$  value of 0.357 indicates errors that are large enough that even with an absorption correction the resulting structure factors do not enable a satisfactory structure refinement (see chapter 3.6). An integration box size refinement was employed during data integration with SAINT, but none of the crystals showed appreciable differences in the box size between the two sources and so it can be concluded that the reflection spot sizes are similar for both sources.

Although the effective  $I\mu S$  beam diameter is appreciably smaller at the crystal, this is probably compensated by a somewhat larger beam divergence for the  $I\mu S$ , and probably the dominant contribution is the mosaicity of the flash-cooled crystals.

## 3.5 Data Quality after Scaling with SADABS

The spherical harmonics used for the refinement and the weighted R-index based on the agreement of equivalent reflection intensities for  $I > 1.5 \sigma$  before  $(wR2_{int(b)})^{ii}$  and after  $(wR2_{int(a)})$  it has been minimized by SADABS are listed in Table 3-3. The result of merging the mean intensities divided by their standard deviations  $<(I/\sigma)_m>$ ,  $R_{int}^{iii}$  and  $R_{sigma}^{iv}$  after scaling with SADABS, calculated using XPREP, [212] are also

ii wR2<sub>int</sub> =  $\sum w(F_o^2 - \langle F_o^2 \rangle)^2 / \sum w(\langle F_o^2 \rangle)^2$ 

iii  $R_{\text{int}} = \sum \left| F_o^2 - \left\langle F_o^2 \right\rangle \right| / \sum F_o^2$ 

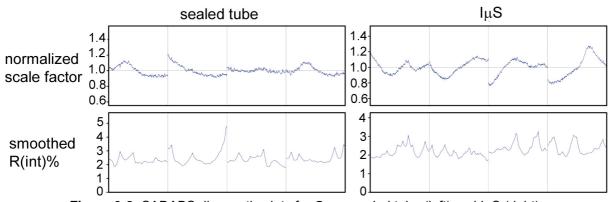
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>iv</sup>  $R_{\text{sigma}} = \sum \sigma(F_o^2) / \sum F_o^2$ 

included. Scaling substantially improves the agreement between equivalent reflections in all cases. Whereas before scaling the variation of the equivalent intensities is higher for the  $I\mu S$  data, after correction the values are much closer. The larger correction needed for the  $I\mu S$  data is attributed to the larger variations in the intensity-weighted volume of the crystal irradiated. After correction, the data quality indices tend to be better for the  $I\mu S$  for small and weakly diffracting crystals, but worse for the strongly diffracting salt crystals  $\mathbf{S}_{\text{small}}$  and  $\mathbf{S}_{\text{large}}$ .

**Table 3-3:** Statistics before (*wR*2<sub>int(b)</sub>) and after scaling by SADABS (remaining columns).

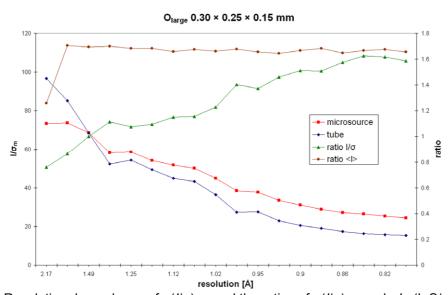
sample	spherical harmonics	source	wR2 <sub>int(b)</sub>	wR2 <sub>int(a)</sub>	<(//o) <sub>m</sub> >	$R_{int}$	$R_{sigma}$
•	6/3	ΙμS	0.0935	0.0249	21.63	0.0303	0.0394
O <sub>small</sub>	073	sealed tube	0.0643	0.0314	12.92	0.0547	0.0772
<b>O</b> <sub>large</sub>	6/3	IμS	0.0848	0.0240	44.51	0.0176	0.0166
Vlarge	073	sealed tube	0.0482	0.0240	39.13	0.0173	0.0165
$OM_{small}$	6/3	IμS	0.0861	0.0301	34.33	0.0223	0.0161
Simsmall	070	sealed tube	0.0822	0.0350	15.99	0.0570	0.0515
<b>OM</b> <sub>large</sub>	6/3	ΙμЅ	0.0784	0.0381	36.45	0.0247	0.0156
<b>O</b> marge	070	sealed tube	0.0607	0.0378	31.83	0.0246	0.0166
<b>S</b> small	8 / 5	ΙμЅ	0.1234	0.0389	40.52	0.0267	0.0169
Small	070	sealed tube	0.0971	0.0275	55.28	0.0172	0.0117
<b>S</b> <sub>large</sub>	8 / 5	ΙμS	0.1586	0.0716	21.27	0.0594	0.0348
large	075	sealed tube	0.1296	0.0538	26.30	0.0383	0.0251

The larger corrections needed for the  $I\mu S$  data are clearly apparent in the SADABS diagnostic plots (Figure 3-8). In these diagrams the normalized scale factor (upper graph) and the smoothed  $R_{int}$  (lower graph) are shown for the large organic crystal  $\mathbf{O}_{large}$  as a function of the scan and frame numbers. Although deviations from a horizontal line can indicate a miscentered crystal, in this case they are almost certainly the result of changes in the effective crystal volume irradiated, which as discussed already are more pronounced for the  $I\mu S$ .



**Figure 3-8:** SADABS diagnostic plots for  $O_{large}$ : sealed tube (left) and IµS (right).

However, as Table 3-3 shows,  $wR2_{\rm int}$ ,  $R_{\rm int}$  and  $<(//\sigma)_m>$  are mostly lower for the  $l\mu S$  data sets after absorption correction and scaling. This not only indicates that the experimental errors that require correction are higher for the  $l\mu S$  data sets, but also that appropriate software is capable of making an adequate correction so that the higher diffraction intensities using the  $l\mu S$  lead to higher quality data. This results in a greater improvement of the  $wR2_{\rm int}$  for the  $l\mu S$  data sets and good  $R_{\rm int}$  values after the correction. However, the larger variance of the intensities of the equivalent reflections does result in larger standard deviations for the  $l\mu S$  intensity data after processing and merging with SADABS, reducing the corresponding  $<(l/\sigma)_m>$  values. Thus although the raw  $<(l/\sigma)_s>$  values given in Table 3-2 are always higher for the  $l\mu S$  data, Table 3-3 shows that for  $S_{\rm small}$  and  $S_{\rm large}$  the order has been reversed after scaling and merging. For the smaller and weakly diffracting crystals the higher peak intensity of the  $l\mu S$  is still the determining factor for the final data quality, but for larger and strongly diffracting crystals the results are more equal, especially when the different exposure times (see Table 3-1) are taken into account.



**Figure 3-9:** Resolution dependence of  $<(I/\sigma)_m>$  and the ratios of  $<(I/\sigma)_m>$  and <I> (IµS/sealed tube).

When the intensities produced by the  $I_{\mu}S$  are divided by the corresponding values of the sealed tube the resulting ratio is always smaller at low resolution and increases with higher scattering angles. This tendency is shown by all datasets. Even though the mean intensity is generally lower for the experiments with the sealed tube, the  $<(I/\sigma)_m>$  value at low resolution is higher in the example shown in Figure 3-9, but the ratio becomes less than unity at a resolution of 1.49 Å.

In the corresponding plot for  $OM_{small}$ , the <( $I/\sigma$ )<sub>m</sub>> values for the two sources are almost equal at the lowest resolution, but at 0.82 Å the value for the I $\mu$ S is 3.6 times as high as for the sealed tube.

At low resolution,  $\sigma$  is dominated by the variance of the intensities of the equivalents, but at higher resolution it is more affected by random noise, allowing the higher intensities from the IµS to give higher  $<(I/\sigma)_m>$  values. This suggests that the IµS is superior when data are required to the highest possible resolution, *e. g.* for the experimental determination of charge density or for the solution of structures from very small crystals by direct methods.

## 3.6 Data Quality after Refinement

The R1 (all data)<sup>v</sup>, R1 ( $F_o > 4\sigma(F_o)$ ),  $wR2^{vi}$ , the standard deviation of a selected bond length (esd), and the range of the residual electron density<sup>[213]</sup> ( $\Delta \rho_0$ )<sup>vii</sup> after least-squares structure refinement are compared in Table 3-4.

After least-squares structure refinement, the various figures of merit are comparable for the two sources, except for the two small crystals, for which the  $I\mu S$  gave much better results, and  $\mathbf{S}_{large}$ , for which the results from the sealed tube were a little better. This suggests that for  $\mathbf{S}_{large}$  even SADABS was not able to compensate completely for the absorption errors and different effective volumes irradiated (a R1 value of 0.0235 might still be acceptable for a routine structure determination, but the large residual density difference would give cause for concern).

 $<sup>^{\</sup>text{v}}$  R1 =  $\sum ||F_{o}| - |F_{c}|| / \sum |F_{o}|$ 

 $<sup>^{\</sup>text{vi}}$  wR2 =  $\sqrt{\sum \left[w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2\right] / \sum \left[w(F_o^2)^2\right]}$ 

 $<sup>^{\</sup>text{vii}} \Delta \rho_0 = \rho_{0,\text{max}} - \rho_{0,\text{min}}$ 

Sample	source	R1 (all data)	$R1 (F_0 > 4\sigma(F_0))$	wR2	esd [Å]	$\Delta \rho_0$ [e/Å <sup>3</sup> ]
0	IμS	0.0508	0.0378	0.0875	0.0024	0.34
O <sub>small</sub>	sealed tube	0.0824	0.0519	0.0984	0.0033	0.39
0	IμS	0.0271	0.0268	0.0729	0.0015	0.32
O <sub>large</sub>	sealed tube	0.0271	0.0263	0.0696	0.0015	0.29
<b>OM</b> <sub>small</sub>	IμS	0.0534	0.0450	0.1159	0.0021	0.80
OWI <sub>small</sub>	sealed tube	0.0967	0.0562	0.1546	0.0031	0.87
OM	IμS	0.0429	0.0407	0.1112	0.0018	0.85
<b>OM</b> <sub>large</sub>	sealed tube	0.0427	0.0382	0.1050	0.0017	0.86
e	ΙμS	0.0157	0.0153	0.0370	0.0017	1.20
S <sub>small</sub>	sealed tube	0.0147	0.0141	0.0329	0.0016	1.09
9.	IμS	0.0235	0.0228	0.0593	0.0023	2.47
S <sub>large</sub>	sealed tube	0.0203	0.0185	0.0427	0.0020	1.37

**Table 3-4:** Selected quality criteria after structure refinement.

The values of R1 for  $F_o > 4\sigma(F_o)$  also reflect the larger number of weak reflections for the small crystals measured with the sealed tube. A single estimated standard deviation of a representative central bond length is shown in Table 4; these esds show the same trends as the R-indices. The disordered region of  $\mathbf{OM}_{small}$  had to be refined isotropically against the sealed tube data because anisotropic refinement was unstable. For the less noisy  $I_{\mu}S$  data the anisotropic refinement was successful for both crystals.

# 3.7 Experiments with Crystals that Matched the Beam Diameter

In these experiments, triphenylthiophosphane (**P**) crystals were chosen to match the diameter of the beam and data were collected with identical exposure times (5 s per frame). This required a relatively large crystal of dimensions  $0.40 \times 0.40 \times 0.40$  mm for the sealed tube and a rather small crystal of dimensions  $0.10 \times 0.10 \times 0.10$  mm for the IµS (volume ratio 64:1). Triphenylthiophosphane was chosen because good crystals of any desired dimensions can be easily obtained. It crystallizes in the monoclinic space group  $P2_1/c$  with two molecules in the asymmetric unit. Since the molecule contains no heavy atom the structure refinement was made without

employing an absorption or scaling correction to minimize the correcting influence of the data reduction software. The refined structure should thus be a direct measure of the raw data quality.

**Table 3-5:** Selected statistics for compound **P**.

	IμS	sealed tube
	1234.46	1102.36
<(//o) <sub>s</sub> >	20.29	19.59
$R_{sym}$	0.057	0.046
<(//o>) <sub>m</sub> >	28.60	28.44
$R_{int}$	0.0564	0.0458
$R_{\sf sigma}$	0.0206	0.0210
R1 ( $F_o > 4 \operatorname{sig}(F_o)$ )	0.0288	0.0295
R1 (all data)	0.0346	0.0354
wR2	0.0850	0.0845
esd [Å] (P-C)	0.14	0.14
$\Delta  ho_0  [e/\mathring{A}^3]$	0.65	0.66

Except for the slightly larger value of  $R_{int}$  for the IµS (because of variations in the effective volume irradiated despite the small crystal employed) the results shown in Table 3-5 are remarkably similar for the two sources, despite the large difference in the size of the crystals. It was anticipated that the  $R_{int}$  would be lower for the IµS data set since the IµS yields a higher  $I/\sigma$  value and the quality (e. g. low mosaicity, no encapsulations, no satellites, etc.) of a small crystal is usually better than that of a larger crystal but surprisingly the opposite is the case. The effect that the sealed tube gives better  $R_{int}$  values although the IµS shows higher  $I/\sigma$  values can be observed in nearly all measurements that are described in this work. This trend only changes if the  $I/\sigma_m$  values of the tube are very small (<4) or the IµS gives a by far higher  $I/\sigma_m$  value.

Still Table 3-5 underlines the ability of the  $I\mu S$  to give data of comparable quality to those from a sealed tube with much smaller crystals, and the desirability of matching the crystal size to the beam cross section.

#### 3.8 Conclusion

From the experiments presented in this work it is clear that the optimum choice of source is determined by the size and diffracting power of the available crystals, and that the best results are obtained when source and crystals are matched. For sufficiently large crystals with dimensions ≥300 µm, both sources yield very acceptable X-ray data for the structures. Except for large, strongly diffracting crystals the IµS data are as good or better than the sealed tube data. For very small crystals (dimensions of 100  $\mu$ m or less) the sealed tube cannot compete with the I $\mu$ S; in extreme cases only the IµS yields satisfactory data. Since in many cases it is not possible to grow large crystals (e. g. materials- and nano-science, MOFs, quality screening in drug production) not all samples can be measured with the sealed tube but it is feasible to measure almost all samples with the IµS. Therefore the main advantage of the IµS seems to be the broader field of application also one has to be even more careful with the selection of a sample that has the proper size for the lµS - in most cases the crystals tend to be too large for the fine-focused beam which leads to the observed variance of the symmetry equivalent reflections and all associated secondary effects described above.

Even in routine structure determination, the possibility to use smaller crystals has the advantage that systematic errors such as absorption are reduced, that the crystal is less likely to be twinned, and also that it is less likely to split on flash cooling. However, accurate centering of small crystals is important, and it is essential to scale the data to correct for the changes in the intensity-weighted volume of the crystal irradiated. The results presented here show that modern scaling software is more than up to this task.

Other advantages of the  $I\mu S$  are the very low energy consumption (30 W), the fact that no water cooling is required, the lower exposure times and the very low maintenance required. The  $I\mu S$  used in these tests has been in almost continuous use for over a year with no maintenance and no significant drop in X-ray intensity.

### 4 CONCLUSION AND FUTURE OBJECTIVES

### 4.1 Bimetallic Complexes

The experiments described in chapter 2 show that the diimidosulfinates are suitable ligands for the forming of bimetallic or in some cases even heterobimetallic complexes. Whether added to a metallocene as additional donor site or as coupled diimidosulfinates, the electropositive charged sulfur atom allows it to place the sulfur imides into nearly every organic periphery. Although up to now this was only possible for the sulfur diimides, since the triimides only react with lithium organics that have a small sterical demand, the results presented in chapter 2.4.2 make the same diversity accessible for the sulfur triimides. The performed experiments display that the use of the HSAB-soft *Grignard* reagents facilitates the introduction of nearly every organic groups even with a higher sterical demand. In addition the yields are better and the purification is much easier since the magnesium complexes tend to crystallize a lot better than their lithium analogues. Since the nucleophilic addition to the sulfur atom is straightforward, it was possible during this thesis to couple sulfur imides with a lot of different spacers, tune the structural motif of the synthesized complexes and influence the arrangement of the studied ligands.

Although the analyzed sulfinates and sulfonates react very flexibly and adaptively when the organic substituents are varied, the metal exchange reactions are rather difficult. In spite of many exchange reactions that were performed with coupled diimidosulfinates the lithium atom could only be replaced by an aluminum atom and a zinc atom. Unfortunately the selectiveness of these reactions was rather poor making the synthesis of a heterobimetallic complex impossible. The same holds true for the metal exchange reactions with magnesium sulfinates and sulfonates. An exchange of the magnesium atom with a zinc atom was possible but many other reactions with different metal amides and metal halogens yielded only starting material. The attempts to initiate the coordination of a second metal by the pending imido group of the magnesium sulfonates fared even worse. Either a metal exchange took place or in most cases the reaction did not proceed at all. Apparently Walfort could only synthesize [(THF)<sub>2</sub>Li(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SMe(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)ZnMe<sub>2</sub>], the only example where the pending imido group coordinates a second metal, because in the associated lithium reagent the NR group already exhibits a intermolecular coordination to the lithium atom of a neighboring molecule. Since the third imido group is not pre-coordinated in the

magnesium sulfonate reagents, the coordination of another metal seems not to be favored. One possibility to solve this problem would be to perform a metal exchange after the addition of the *Grignard* reagent. Obviously the change from magnesium to lithium should result in the formation of a molecule that is capable of using the third imido group as additional donor. The use of other metals could also lead to this precoordination.

To bypass the problems of the failed metal exchange reactions a detour, resulting in the formation of sulfinic or sulfonic acids, could be the solution. Since the direct metal exchange is not working it could be concluded that the lithium and magnesium complexes are just too stable. This is not entirely surprising since according to Pearson the hard nitrogen atoms will interact more strongly with metals like lithium and magnesium than with the softer transition metals. The hydrolysis of sulfinates or sulfonates and subsequent deprotonation reactions with different metal amides or metal hydrides could help to avoid this problem. By the NMR spectra of the magnesium sulfonates, which always showed traces of the associated sulfonic acid, it was proved that the hydrolysis reaction is indeed possible. Since Walfort showed that the use of tert-butyl-ammonium chloride as hydrolysis reagent proved to be successful it was used in the course of this work. Unfortunately the herein described sulfinates and sulfonates decomposed during the reaction with this reagent. Apparently milder reaction conditions are necessary for the hydrolysis to work. Cyclopentadienyl could be an interesting candidate for this type of reaction since one hydrogen atom is relatively acidic and the resulting cyclopentadienyl lithium could be separated from the product without problems.

Summarized, the results presented in this thesis show, that the possibilities to build up different diimidosulfinates and triimidosulfonates are nearly unlimited. Thanks to the electropositive sulfur atom nearly every organic group can be added to the sulfurimides resulting in a variety of ligands that can be further tuned. In addition the sulfinates and sulfonates have the ability to react very flexible to this changes, therefore creating ligand systems that can be tailored for the task at hand. The only drawback of the described systems is the limited access to transition metal complexes. As already pointed out the lithium and magnesium complexes can be synthesized without problems but the metal exchange is somewhat hampered.

#### 4.2 Field Test of the Incoatec Microfocus Source

The comparison of both sources displayed that a clear statement like 'one source is better than the other' is not possible. Both sources have their 'strengths' and their 'weaknesses'. The data sets produced by the  $I\mu S$  yield higher <I> and  $I/\sigma$  values whereas the ones from the sealed tube normally exhibit better  $R_{int}$  values. Especially the comparison in chapter 3.7 showed that both sources can deliver data sets with nearly the same high quality when a crystal that matches the beam diameter is used. Therefore the samples are determining what source is suited best. If mainly small crystals have to be measured the  $I\mu S$  should be used but for geologists who primarily examine large crystals which contain heavy absorbers the sealed tube would be the better choice.

Although both sources have their field of application one must mention that the IµS still has some advantages. First of all it is more versatile since a large crystal can most of the time be cut into a smaller one while it is often not possible to make a small crystal larger. Anyhow, it is most of the time better to use a smaller crystal since it is less likely to be twinned, has a smaller mosaicity and the effect of absorption is reduced. For medium sized crystals both sources deliver good data sets but the  $I\mu S$  still has the advantage of lower exposure times. In addition, the  $I\mu S$ is more efficient, since it exhibits a very low energy consumption, 30 W compared to 2000 W for the sealed tube, and does not need any water cooling. But all these advantages also have a price. When using the IµS the crystallographer has to work even more precisely since errors during the centering of the crystal have a bigger effect on the data quality, due to the small beam and the sharp beam profile. Furthermore a proper scaling of the data is essential to get rid of the errors arising from the variance of the symmetry equivalent reflections. Last but not least the high flux density of the IµS makes it possible to measure high resolution data sets which are needed for experimental charge density studies. Although up to now it was common sense that for such studies the crystal volume irradiated must be constant, first results presented here look promising.

## 5 ZUSAMMENFASSUNG UND ZUKÜNFTIGE ZIELE

### 5.1 Bimetallische Komplexe

Die in Kapitel 2 beschriebenen Experimente zeigen, dass die Diimidosulfinate geeignete Liganden für die Synthese von bimetallischen als auch heterobimetallischen Komplexen sind. Ob als zusätzliche Koordinationsstelle an einem Metallocen oder als gekoppelte Diimidosulfinate, dass positiv polarisierte Schwefelatom erlaubt es, die Schwefelimide in nahe zu jedwede organische Umgebung zu integrieren. Obwohl das bisher nur für Schwefeldiimide möglich war, da die Schwefeltriimide nur mit lithiumorganischen Verbindungen reagieren die einen kleinen sterischen Anspruch haben, machen die Resultate, die in Kapitel 2.4.2 präsentiert wurden, diese große Auswahl auch für die Schwefeltriimide zugänglich. Die durchgeführten Experimente zeigen, dass die Nutzung der HSAB-weichen Grignardverbindungen die Einführung diverser organischer Gruppen ermöglicht. Zusätzlich verbessern sich die Ausbeuten und auch die Aufreinigung ist einfacher, weil die Magnesiumkomplexe besser kristallisieren als ihre Lithiumanaloga. Da die nucleophile Addition an das Schwefelatom so problemlos verläuft, war es während dieser Arbeit möglich Schwefelimide mit verschiedenen Spacern zu koppeln, Strukturmotive der synthetisierten Komplexe einzustellen und die Anordnung der untersuchten Liganden zu beeinflussen.

Obwohl die analysierten Sulfinate und Sulfonate sehr flexibel und anpassungsfähig reagieren, gestalten sich die Metallaustauschreaktionen eher schwierig. Trotz vieler durchgeführter Austauschreaktionen mit gekoppelten Diimidosulfinaten konnten das Lithiumatom nur durch ein Aluminiumatom und ein Zinkatom ersetzt werden. Unglücklicherweise ist die Selektivität dieser Reaktionen eher schlecht, was die Synthese eines heterobimetallischen Komplexes unmöglich macht. Dasselbe trifft auch auf die Metallaustauschreaktionen mit Magnesiumsulfinaten und -sulfonaten zu. Ein Austausch des Magnesiumatoms mit einem Zinkatom war zwar möglich, aber viele andere Reaktionen mit verschiedenen Metallamiden und Metallhalogeniden lieferten nur Ausgangsmaterial. Die Versuche ein zweites Metall durch die freie Imidogruppe des Magnesiumsulfonates zu koordinieren verliefen sogar noch schlechter. Entweder wurde das Metall ausgetauscht oder es fand gar keine Reaktion statt. Scheinbar konnte Walfort [(THF)<sub>2</sub>Li(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SMe(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)ZnMe<sub>2</sub>], das einzige Beispiel in dem die freie Imidogruppe ein zweites Metall koordiniert, nur synthetisieren, weil im zugehörigen Lithiumedukt die NRintermolekulare Koordination Gruppe schon eine zum Lithiumatom eines Nachbarmoleküls zeigt. Da die dritte Imidogruppe in den Magnesiumsulfonatedukten nicht vorkoordiniert ist, scheint eine Koordination eines weiteren Metalls nicht bevorzugt zu sein. Eine Möglichkeit um dieses Problem zu lösen, wäre einen Metallaustausch nach der Reaktion mit der Grignardverbindung zu machen. Offensichtlich führt der Austausch von Magnesium mit Lithium zur Bildung eines Moleküls das in der Lage ist die dritten Imidogruppe als zusätzlichen Donor zu nutzen. Außerdem könnte auch der Austausch mit anderen Metallen die gewünschte Vorkoordination herbeiführen.

Um das Problem der fehlgeschlagenen Metallaustauschreaktionen zu umgehen, könnte ein Umweg über die sulfinischen oder sulfonischen Säure zum Erfolg führen. Da der direkte Metallaustausch nicht funktioniert, könnte man daraus schließen, dass die Lithium- und Magnesiumkomplexe einfach zu stabil sind. Das ist nicht völlig überraschend, da nach Pearson das harte Stickstoffatom stärker mit Metallen wie Lithium oder Magnesium interagiert als mit den eher weicheren Übergangsmetallen. Durch die Hydrolyse der Sulfinate oder Sulfonate mit anschließender Deprotonierung durch Metallamide oder Metallhydride ließe sich dieses Problem vermeiden. Durch die NMR-Spektren der Magnesiumsulfonate, die immer Spuren der zugehörigen sulfonischen Säure enthielten, ist belegt, dass die Hydrolysereaktion realisierbar ist. Weil Walfort tert-Butylammoniumchlorid erfolgreich als Hydrolysereagenz einsetzte, wurde es auch in dieser Arbeit benutzt. Leider zersetzten sich die in dieser Arbeit beschriebenen Sulfinate und Sulfonate bei der Reaktion mit diesem Reagenz. sind mildere Bedingungen nötig damit die Hydrolyse Cyclopentadien könnte ein interessanter Kandidat für eine derartige Reaktion sein, da es ein relativ acides Wasserstoffatom besitzt und das entstehende Lithiumcyclopentadienyl einfach abgetrennt werden könnte.

Zusammengefasst zeigen die Ergebnisse dieser Arbeit, dass die Möglichkeiten Diimidosulfinate und Triimidosulfonate aufzubauen fast unbegrenzt sind. Dank des partiell positiv geladenen Schwefelatoms kann fast jede organische Gruppe an die Schwefelimide addiert werden, was in einer Vielzahl von Liganden resultiert, die dann weiter verändert werden können. Zusätzlich haben die Sulfinate und Sulfonate die Fähigkeiten sehr flexibel auf die Veränderung der organischen Reste zu reagieren und können so für die ausstehenden Aufgaben maßgeschneidert werden. Der einzige Nachteil der beschriebenen Systeme ist der limitierte Zugang zu Übergangs-Wie metallkomplexen. bereits beschrieben können die Lithiumund Magnesiumkomplexe ohne Probleme synthetisiert werden, aber der Metallaustausch gestaltet sich schwierig.

#### 5.2 Feldversuche mit der Incoatec Microfocus Source

Der Vergleich beider Röntgenquellen zeigte, dass eine klare Aussage wie "eine Quelle ist besser als die Andere" nicht möglich ist. Beide Quellen haben ihre Stärken und ihre Schwächen. Die Datensätze der IμS zeigen höhere während die der Sealed Tube normalerweise bessere R<sub>int</sub> Werte liefern. Besonders die Vergleiche in Kapitel 3.7 lassen erkennen das beide Quellen Datensätze mit vergleichbar hoher Qualität liefern können, wenn ein Kristall benutzt wird der zur Strahlbreite passt. Von daher bestimmen die Proben, die man messen will, welche Quelle am besten geeigntet ist. Wenn meistens kleine Kristalle gemessen werden, sollte die IµS benutzt werden, aber für Geologen, die hauptsächlich große Kristalle untersuchen, die starke Absorber enthalten, ist die Sealed Tube die bessere Wahl. Obwohl beide Quellen ihre Anwendungsgebiete haben, sollte man erwähnen, dass die IµS trotzdem noch ein paar Vorteile hat. Erstens ist sie vielseitiger, da ein großer Kristall fast immer kleiner geschnitten werden kann, während es meist nicht möglich ist einen kleinen Kristall zu vergrößern. Ohnehin ist es oftmals besser einen kleinen Kristall zu benutzen, weil sie weniger oft verzwillingt sind, eine kleinere Mosaizität besitzen und die Absorptionseffekte geringer sind. Für mittelgroße Kristalle liefern beide Quellen gute Datensätze aber die IµS hat immer noch den Vorteil der kürzeren Belichtungszeiten. Zusätzlich ist die IµS ökonomischer, da sie einen sehr geringen Energieverbrauch hat (30 W verglichen mit 2000 W für die Sealed Tube) und keine Wasserkühlung benötigt. Aber all diese Vorteile haben ihren Preis. Wenn die IµS benutzt wird, muss der Kristallograph noch präziser arbeiten, weil Fehler in der Zentrierung des Kristalls auf Grund des schmalen Strahls und des spitzen Strahlprofils noch größere Auswirkungen haben. Weiterhin ist ein gutes skalieren der Daten essentiell, um die Fehler, die durch die Varianz der symmetrieäquivalenten Reflexe entstehen, zu korrigieren. Abschließend muss noch erwähnt werden, dass es durch die hohe Flussdichte der luS möglich ist, hoch aufgelöste Datensätze aufzunehmen, die für experimentelle Elektronendichteuntersuchungen gebraucht werden. Obwohl bisher die Überzeugung bestand, dass für solche Untersuchungen das bestrahlte Kristallvolumen immer konstant sein muss, sehen ersten Resultate unserer Arbeitsgruppe vielversprechend aus.

### 6 EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

#### 6.1 General

All experiments were carried out either in an atmosphere of purified, dry nitrogen or argon by using modified *Schlenk* techniques<sup>[214,215]</sup> or in an argon drybox. The glass vessels were dried for several hours at 120 °C, assembled hot, and cooled down under vacuum. The solvents were freshly distilled from sodium-potassium alloy ( $Et_2O$ , n-pentane) or potassium (dem, THF, n-hexane) prior to use and degassed. The reactants were commercially available or synthesized according to published procedures  $S(N^tBu)_2$ , [216]  $S(N^tBu)_3$ , [217]  $S(NSiMe_3)_2$ [218] and  $S(NSiMe_3)(N^tBu)$ . [219]

## 6.2 Analytical Methods

#### 6.2.1 Mass spectroscopy

Mass spectra were recorded with the electron ionization method (EI-MS: 70 eV) on a Finnigan MAT 95 spectrometer. The mass-to-charge ratios (m/z) of the fragment ions are based on the molecular masses of the isotopes with the highest natural abundance. The molecular peak M is defined as the compound without coordinating solvent. Some spectra were unspecific as the ionic character and the lability of the synthesized compounds made the measurements difficult. Due to the reactivity and solubility of the compounds no electron spray ionization (ESI-MS) or fast atom bombardment (FAB-MS) mass spectra could be recorded.

### 6.2.2 NMR spectroscopy

All NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker Avance 400 or 500 spectrometers. The chemical shifts  $\delta$  are given in ppm with positive values for low-field shifts relative to tetramethyl silane as external standard.

#### 6.2.3 Elemental analyses

Elemental analyses were performed by the "Mikroanalytisches Labor des Instituts für Anorganische Chemie der Universität Göttingen" with an elementar Vario EL3 apparatus.

The determined values deviate more than usual from the calculated ones, as the substances were highly sensible to oxygen and moisture. The inclusion of argon, from canning in an argon drybox, led to systematic errors.

## 6.3 Syntheses and Characterizations

## 6.3.1 $[(THF)\{Li(N^tBu)_2SCpFeCp\}_2](1)$

The crystal structure can be found in chapter 2.2 and 7.5.1. All other analytical data and the synthesis can be found in the literature.<sup>[130]</sup>

**Empirical Formula:** C<sub>40</sub>H<sub>62</sub>Fe<sub>2</sub>Li<sub>2</sub>N<sub>4</sub>OS<sub>2</sub> **Molecular weight:** 804.64 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

### 6.3.2 $[(THF)_4Li_2\{(NSiMe_3)_2S\}_2C_{12}H_8]$ (2) / $[(THF)_{1.5}Li_2\{(NSiMe_3)_2S\}_2C_{12}H_8]_{\infty}$ (3)

A suspension of 3.1 g (10 mmol) 4,4'-dibromobiphenyl in 15 mL Et<sub>2</sub>O was treated with 11.2 mL (20 mmol) of a 1.79 M solution of  $^n$ BuLi at -78 °C. After stirring for two hours the resulting white solid was filtered off and washed with cold hexane.

4.0 g (8.7 mmol) of the 4,4'-dilithiumbiphenyl were suspended in THF (in the case of **3** a 1:1 THF/hexane mixture was used) and 3.6 g (17.4 mmol) S(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> were added at -78 °C. After stirring over night part of the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. After two days storage at 4 °C colorless crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction were obtained. For **3** the highest peaks in the mass spectrum and the peaks shown in the NMR spectrum where the same as for **2**. The elemental analysis for **3** gave no satisfying results.

Molecular weight: 804.64 g mol<sup>-1</sup> Empirical Formula: C<sub>40</sub>H<sub>76</sub>Li<sub>2</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>4</sub>  $C_{30}H_{56}Li_2N_4O_{1.50}S_2Si_4$ 

687.15 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

**Yield (%):** 6.16 g, 7.1 mmol (71 % referring to 4,4'-dibromobiphenyl) / 4.18 g, 6.10 mmol (61 % referring to 4,4'-dibromobiphenyl).

Elem. analysis in % found (calc.): C: 55.47 (55.38), H: 9.47 (8.72), N: 6.69 (6.50), S: 7.79 (7.39).

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, thf-d<sub>8</sub>):  $\delta = 7.77$  (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 8.0 Hz, 4 H, ortho), 7.50 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 8.0 Hz, 4 H, meta), 3.62 (m, 8 H,  $OCH_2CH_2$ ), 1.77 (m, 8 H,  $OCH_2CH_2$ ), 0.11 (s, 36 H,  $Si(CH_3)_3$ ).

<sup>13</sup>C $\{^{1}H\}$ -NMR (125 MHz, thf-d<sub>8</sub>):  $\delta$  = 150.81 (ipso), 143.54 (para), 127.81 (ortho), 126.99 (meta), 67.4 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 25.3 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.11 (Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

EI-MS: m/z (%): 565 (12) [M - 2 Li + H]<sup>+</sup>, 464 (21) [M - 2 Li - NSiMe<sub>3</sub>- CH<sub>3</sub> + H]<sup>+</sup>, 392  $(100) [M - 2 Li - 2 NSiMe_3 + H]^+, 287 (25) [M - 2 Li - S(NSiMe_3)_2 - SiMe_3 + H]^+, 73 (26)$  $[SiMe_3]^{\dagger}$ .

#### 6.3.3 $[\{(Ph)_2P\}_2C_6H_4]$ (4)

The crystal structure can be found in chapter 2.3.1 and chapter 7.5.4. All other analytical data can be found in the literature. [220]

**Empirical Formula:** C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>24</sub>P<sub>2</sub> Molecular weight: 446.43 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

### 6.3.4 $[\{Me_2AI(N^tBu)_2S\}_2C_{12}H_8]$ (5)

A solution of 5.3 g (6.6 mmol) dilithium-4,4'-bis- tert-butyl-diimidosulfinatebiphenyl in 15 mL THF was treated with 0.6 mL (6.5 mmol) AlMe<sub>2</sub>Cl at -78 °C. After stirring over night part of solvent was removed under reduced pressure. After two days storage at 4 °C colorless crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction were obtained.

Molecular weight: 759.10 g mol<sup>-1</sup> Empirical Formula: C<sub>40</sub>H<sub>72</sub>Al<sub>2</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>

Yield (%): 3.79 g, 4.94 mmol (76 %).

**Elemental analysis in % found (calc.):** C: 61.85 (62.50), H: 9.61 (9.18), N: 8.90 (9.11), S: 10.20 (10.43).

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, thf-d<sub>8</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.98 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 8.2 Hz, 4 H, *meta*), 7.80 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 8.4 Hz, 4 H, *ortho*), 1.36 (s, 36 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), -0.58 - -0.68 (br, 12 H, Al(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (125 MHz, thf-d<sub>8</sub>):  $\delta$  = 150.92 (*ipso*), 144.09 (*para*), 128.96 (*ortho*), 127.50 (*meta*), 53.29 ( $C(CH_3)_3$ ), 31.95 ( $C(CH_3)_3$ ), -4.79 ( $AI(CH_3)_2$ ).

**EI-MS:** m/z (%): 502 (11) [M - 2 AlMe<sub>2</sub> + H]<sup>+</sup>, 429 (13) [M - 2 AlMe<sub>2</sub> - N<sup>t</sup>Bu]<sup>+</sup>, 360 (30) [M - 2 AlMe<sub>2</sub> - 2 N<sup>t</sup>Bu + H]<sup>+</sup>, 289 (10) [M - 2 AlMe<sub>2</sub> - 3 N<sup>t</sup>Bu + 2 H]<sup>+</sup>, 57 (100) [AlMe<sub>2</sub>/<sup>t</sup>Bu]<sup>+</sup>, 41 (50) [C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub>]<sup>+</sup>.

#### 6.3.5 $[\{Me_2Al(NSiMe_3)_2S\}_2C_6H_4]$ (6)

To a solution of 4.7 g (20 mmol) 1,4-dibromobenzene in 30 mL toluene, 24 mL of a 1.67 M solution of  ${}^{t}$ BuLi (40 mmol) were added. After stirring for two hours the resulting light yellow solid was filtered off and washed with cold Et<sub>2</sub>O.

4.2 g (16 mmol) of the 1,4-dilithiumbenzene where suspended in 20 mL of  $Et_2O$  and 6.6 g (32 mmol) of  $S(NSiMe_3)_2$  were added at -78 °C. After stirring over night the light orange solid was filtered off and washed with cold  $Et_2O$ .

A solution of 9.0 g (12.3 mmol) dilithium-1,4-bis-trimethylsilyldiimdiosulfinatylbenzene in 15 mL THF was treated with 1.2 mL (12.3 mmol) of AlMe<sub>2</sub>Cl at -78 °C. After stirring over night part of the yellow suspension was removed under reduced pressure. The remaining solid was then filtered off and the solution was put in the fridge at 4 °C. After two days storage colorless crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction were obtained.

Empirical Formula: C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>52</sub>Al<sub>2</sub>N<sub>4</sub>S<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>4</sub> Molecular weight: 603.12 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

**Yield (%):** 5.67 g, 9.4 mmol (47 % referring to 1,4-dibromobenzene).

**Elemental analysis in % found (calc.):** C: 43.33 (43.81), H: 9.01 (8.69), N: 9.45 (9.29), S: 10.09 (10.63).

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, thf-d<sub>8</sub>):  $\delta = 8.16 - 7.98$  (m, aromatic 4 H), -0.03 (br, 36 H, Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), -0.61 - -0.72 (br, 12 H, Al(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (100 MHz, thf-d<sub>8</sub>):  $\delta$  = 155.78 (*ipso*), 127.16 (*para*), 3.20 (Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), - 4.71 (Al(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>).

**EI-MS:** m/z (%): 588 (61) [M - Me]<sup>+</sup>, 574 (22) [M - 2 Me + H]<sup>+</sup>, 530 (19) [M - SiMe<sub>3</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 73 (18) [SiMe<sub>3</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 57 (100) [AlMe<sub>2</sub>]<sup>+</sup>.

## 6.3.6 [(THF)<sub>2</sub>Li(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SAnBr] (7) and [(Et<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>Li(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SAnBr] (9)

 $^n$ BuLi (1.37 mL, 2.22 M, 3.04 mmol) was added dropwise to a suspension of 9,10-dibromoanthracene (1.00 g, 2.98 mmol) in 25 mL Et<sub>2</sub>O at -15 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min before addition of S(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub> (1.04 g, 2.98 mmol). The suspension is stirred for 30 min and insoluble particles are removed by filtration. After removal of the solvent, the product was obtained as a red powder. Crystals were obtained from a saturated solution in THF (Et<sub>2</sub>O in the case of **9**) upon a few days storage at 4 °C.

 $[(THF)_2Li(N^tBu)_2SAnBr]$  (7):

**Empirical Formula:** C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>42</sub>BrLiN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S **Molecular weight:** 581.57 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

Yield (%): 1.33 g, 2.27 mmol (76 %).

**Elemental analysis in % found (calc.):** C: 61.90 (61.96), H: 7.21 (7.28), N: 5.05 (4.82), S: 5.71 (5.51).

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, thf-d<sub>8</sub>):  $\delta$  = 10.59 (ddd, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 8.98 Hz, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 1.19 Hz, <sup>5</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 0.73 Hz, 1 H, H<sub>5</sub>), 9.44 (ddd, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 8.68 Hz, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 1.44 Hz, <sup>5</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 0.70 Hz, 1 H, H<sub>4</sub>), 8.44 (ddd, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 8.66 Hz, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 1.60 Hz, <sup>5</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 0.73 Hz, 1 H, H<sub>8</sub>), 8.42 (ddd, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 9.21 Hz, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 1.42 Hz, <sup>5</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 0.77 Hz, 1 H, H<sub>1</sub>), 7.52 - 7.44 (m, 3 H, H<sub>7</sub>, H<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>), 7.26 (ddd, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 8.96 Hz, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 6.44 Hz, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 1.26 Hz, 1 H, H<sub>6</sub>), 3.62 (m, 8 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.77 (m, 8 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 0.95 (s, 18 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (125 MHz, thf-d<sub>8</sub>):  $\delta$  = 155.9 (C<sub>10</sub>), 132.0 - 130.7 (C<sub>10a</sub>, C<sub>4a</sub>, C<sub>9a</sub>, C<sub>8a</sub>), 128.8 (C<sub>8</sub>), 128.2 (C<sub>5</sub>), 128.1 (C<sub>4</sub>), 127.6 - 125.6 (C<sub>7</sub>, C<sub>3</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>), 125.2 (C<sub>1</sub>), 123.5 (C<sub>9</sub>), 123.3 (C<sub>6</sub>), 67.4 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 52.9 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 33.8 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 25.3 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>).

**EI-MS:** m/z (%): 303 (32) [M - N<sup>t</sup>Bu - <sup>t</sup>Bu + H]<sup>+</sup>, 288 (20) [M - 2 N<sup>t</sup>Bu]<sup>+</sup>, 256 (100) [M -  $S(N^tBu)_2$ ]<sup>+</sup>, 177 (58) [anthracene]<sup>+</sup>, 118 (35) [M - anthracene - Br - <sup>t</sup>Bu + 2 H]<sup>+</sup>, 103 (32) [M - anthracene - Br - N<sup>t</sup>Bu + H]<sup>+</sup>, 57 (100) [<sup>t</sup>Bu].

 $[(Et_2O)_2Li(NSiMe_3)_2SAnBr]$  (9):

Empirical Formula: C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>46</sub>BrLiN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>SSi<sub>2</sub> Molecular weight: 617.76 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

Yield (%): 1.35 g, 2.18 mmol (73 %).

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz, thf-d<sub>8</sub>):  $\delta$  = 9.83 (br, 2 H, H<sub>4</sub>, H<sub>5</sub>), 8.57 (d, J<sub>HH</sub> = 9.00 Hz, 2 H, H<sub>1</sub>, H<sub>8</sub>), 7.20 - 7.32 (m, 4 H, H<sub>6</sub>, H<sub>7</sub>, H<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>), 3.62 (m, 8 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.77 (m, 8 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 0.20 (s, 18 H, Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

#### 6.3.7 [(Et<sub>2</sub>O)(LiBr)Li(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SAnBr]<sub>2</sub> (8)

 $^{n}$ BuLi (1.37 mL, 2.22 M, 3.04 mmol) was added dropwise to a suspension of 9,10-dibromoanthracene (1.00 g, 2.98 mmol) in 25 mL Et<sub>2</sub>O at -15 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to room temperature and was stirred for 4 h before addition of  $S(N^{t}Bu)_{2}$  (1.04 g, 2.98 mmol). The suspension was stirred for 30 min and insoluble particles were removed by filtration. From this solution crystals were obtained after a few days storage at 4 °C. For 8 the highest peaks in the mass spectrum and the peaks shown in the NMR spectrum were the same as for 7. The elemental analysis for 8 gave no satisfying results.

**Empirical Formula:** C<sub>52</sub>H<sub>72</sub>Br<sub>4</sub>Li<sub>4</sub> N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub> **Molecular weight:** 1196.66 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

## 6.3.8 [ $Me_2Al(N^tBu)_2SAnBr$ ] (10) and [ $Zn\{(N^tBu)_2SAnBr\}_2$ ] (11)

AlMe $_2$ Cl (0.3 mL, 3 mmol) or ZnBr $_2$  ( 0.67 g in 5 mL THF, 3 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of **7** (2.27 g, 3 mmol) in 10 mL THF at -78 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to room temperature and was stirred for 4 h. Insoluble particles were removed by filtration and the solution was stored at 4 °C. Orange crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction experiments were obtained after a few days of storage. The yield of **11** was to low to obtain any further analytical data.

Empirical Formula:  $C_{24}H_{32}AlBrN_2S$  Molecular weight:  $487.47 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$   $C_{60}H_{84}Br_2N_4O_4S_2Zn$  1214.62 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

 $[Me_2AI(N^tBu)_2SAnBr]$  (10):

Yield (%): 1.07 g, 2.19 mmol (73 %).

**Elemental analysis in % found (calc.):** C: 58.67 (59.14), H: 6.57 (6.57), N: 5.93 (5.75), S: 6.60 (6.57).

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, thf-d<sub>8</sub>):  $\delta$  = 10.15 (ddd, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 8.92 Hz, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 1.21 Hz, <sup>5</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 0.80 Hz, 1 H, H<sub>5</sub>), 9.23 (ddd, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 9.03 Hz, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 1.10 Hz, <sup>5</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 0.73 Hz, 1 H, H<sub>4</sub>), 8.65 (ddd, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 8.89 Hz, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 1.33 Hz, <sup>5</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 0.69 Hz, 1 H, H<sub>8</sub>), 8.64 (ddd, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 8.83 Hz, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 1.34 Hz, <sup>5</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 0.71 Hz, 1 H, H<sub>1</sub>), 7.77 - 7.65 (m, 4 H, H<sub>7</sub>, H<sub>6</sub>, H<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>), 1.01 (s, 18 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), -0.42 (s, 3 H, Al(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), -0.60 (s, 3 H, Al(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (125 MHz, thf-d<sub>8</sub>):  $\delta$  = 136.1 (C<sub>10</sub>), 134.0 (C<sub>9</sub>), 131.7 - 130.9 (C<sub>10a</sub>, C<sub>4a</sub>, C<sub>9a</sub>, C<sub>8a</sub>), 129.9 (C<sub>8</sub>), 129.3 (C<sub>1</sub>), 129.5 - 127.7 (C<sub>7</sub>, C<sub>6</sub>, C<sub>3</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>), 125.6 (C<sub>5</sub>), 122.7 (C<sub>4</sub>), 53.8 (*C*(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 31.7 (C(*C*H<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), -4.6 (Al(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), -5.2 (Al(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>).

**EI-MS:** m/z (%): 473 (100) [M - Me]<sup>+</sup>, 402 (42) [M - N<sup>t</sup>Bu- Me + H]<sup>+</sup>, 359 (32) [M - N<sup>t</sup>Bu - AlMe<sub>2</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 345 (31) [M - N<sup>t</sup>Bu - Me - <sup>t</sup>Bu + H]<sup>+</sup>, 330 (29) [M - 2 N<sup>t</sup>Bu - Me]<sup>+</sup>, 250 (27) [M - N<sup>t</sup>Bu - Me - <sup>t</sup>Bu - Br + H]<sup>+</sup>.

#### 6.3.9 $[{(THF)_2Li(N^tBu)_2S}_2An]$ (12) and $[{(THF)_2Li(NSiMe_3)_2S}_2An]$ (13)

 $^{n}$ BuLi (2.74 mL, 2.22 M, 6.08 mmol) was added dropwise to a suspension of 9,10-dibromoanthracene (1.00 g, 2.98 mmol) in 25 mL Et<sub>2</sub>O at -15 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min and the dilithiated anthracene was isolated by filtration. Yield: 0.78 g, 2.3 mmol (77 %).

S(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub> (0.80 g, 4.6 mmol) or S(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (0.86 g, 4.6 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of the dilithiated anthracene (0.78 g, 2.3 mmol) in 10 mL THF at -78 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to room temperature and stirred for 4 h. Insoluble particles were removed by filtration. Crystals were obtained from the saturated solution upon a few days storage at 4 °C.

 $[{(THF)_2Li(N^tBu)_2S}_2An]$  (12):

**Empirical Formula:** C<sub>54</sub>H<sub>92</sub>Li<sub>2</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>6</sub>S<sub>2</sub> **Molecular weight:** 971.32 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

**Yield (%):** 1.65 g, 2.21 mmol (74 %).

**Elemental analysis in % found (calc.):** C: 65.82 (66.78), H: 8.88 (9.42), N: 7.86 (6.23), S: 9.13 (7.13).

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, thf-d<sub>8</sub>):  $\delta$  = 10.24 (br, 2 H, H<sub>1</sub>, H<sub>5</sub>), 8.91 (br, 2 H, H<sub>8</sub>, H<sub>4</sub>), 7.61 (br, 4 H, H<sub>6</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>7</sub>), 3.62 (m, 16 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.77 (m, 16 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.29 (s, 18 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.14 (s, 18 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (125 MHz, thf-d<sub>8</sub>):  $\delta$  = 142.6 (C<sub>10</sub>, C<sub>9</sub>), 129.1 (br, C<sub>1</sub>, C<sub>5</sub>), 128.7 - 128.2 (m, C<sub>10a</sub>, C<sub>4a</sub>, C<sub>9a</sub>, C<sub>8a</sub>), 127.7 - 126.4 (m, C<sub>6</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>3</sub>, C<sub>7</sub>), 124.7 (C<sub>4</sub>, C<sub>8</sub>), 56.7 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 67.4 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 54.5 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 33.6 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 31.0 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 25.3 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>).

**EI-MS:** m/z (%): 312 (22) [M - 3 N<sup>t</sup>Bu + H]<sup>+</sup>, 256 (28) [M - 3 N<sup>t</sup>Bu - <sup>t</sup>Bu + 2 H]<sup>+</sup>, 118 (25) [SN<sup>t</sup>BuNH]<sup>+</sup>, 103 (28) [SN<sup>t</sup>Bu]<sup>+</sup>, 57 (100) [<sup>t</sup>Bu]<sup>+</sup>, 41 (44) [CH<sub>2</sub>CCH<sub>3</sub>]<sup>+</sup>.

 $[{(THF)_2Li(NSiMe_3)_2S}_2An]$  (13):

**Empirical Formula:** C<sub>42</sub>H<sub>76</sub>Li<sub>2</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>4</sub> **Molecular weight:** 891.43 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

Yield (%): 1.47 g, 2.15 mmol (72 %).

**Elemental analysis in % found (calc.):** C: 56.36 (56.59), H: 9.10 (8.59), N: 6.35 (6.29), S: 7.44 (7.19).

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, thf-d<sub>8</sub>):  $\delta$  = 10.29 (d, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>HH</sub> = 8.00 Hz, 2 H, H<sub>1</sub>, H<sub>5</sub>), 9.29 (d, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>HH</sub> = 9.40 Hz, 2 H, H<sub>8</sub>, H<sub>4</sub>), 7.44 - 7.28 (m, 2 H, H<sub>6</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>), 7.29 - 7.23 (m, 2 H, H<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>7</sub>), 3.62 (m, 16 H, OC*H*<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.77 (m, 16 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>C*H*<sub>2</sub>), -0.40 (s, 36 H, Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (125 MHz, thf-d<sub>8</sub>):  $\delta$  = 151.4 (C<sub>10</sub>, C<sub>9</sub>), 130.9 - 129.4 (m, C<sub>10a</sub>, C<sub>4a</sub>, C<sub>9a</sub>, C<sub>8a</sub>), 127.1 (C<sub>1</sub>, C<sub>5</sub>), 125.2 (C<sub>6</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>), 124.2 (C<sub>4</sub>, C<sub>8</sub>), 123.2 (C<sub>3</sub>, C<sub>7</sub>), 67.4 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 25.3 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.5 (Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

**EI-MS:** m/z (%): 264 (64) [M - 4 Me], 191 (100) [M -  $S(NSiMe_3)_2$ ], 207 (20) [ $S(NSiMe_3)_2 + H$ ], 178 (24) [anthracene], 73 (65) [ $SiMe_3$ ].

#### $6.3.10 [\{Me_2Al(NSiMe_3)_2S\}_2An] (14)$

AlMe $_2$ Cl (0.3 mL, 3 mmol) is added dropwise to a solution of **13** (2.67 g, 3 mmol) in 10 mL THF. at -78 °C. The reaction mixture is allowed to warm up to room temperature and stirred for 4 h. Insoluble particles are removed by filtration and the solution is stored at 4 °C. Crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction experiments are obtained after a few days of storage.

Empirical Formula: C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>56</sub>Al<sub>2</sub>N<sub>4</sub>S<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>4</sub> Molecular weight: 703.23 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

Yield (%): 0.84 g, 1.20 mmol (40 %).

**Elemental analysis in % found (calc.):** C: 49.82 (51.24), H: 7.92 (8.03), N: 7.73 (7.97), S: 8.73 (9.12).

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, thf-d<sub>8</sub>):  $\delta$  = 10.21 (br, 2 H, H<sub>1</sub>, H<sub>5</sub>), 9.29 (br, 2 H, H<sub>8</sub>, H<sub>4</sub>), 7.85 - 7.72 (m, 4 H, H<sub>6</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>7</sub>), -0.20 (s, 36 H, Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), -0.46 (br, 12 H, Al(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (125 MHz, thf-d<sub>8</sub>):  $\delta$  = 149.2 (C<sub>10</sub>, C<sub>9</sub>), 129.4 - 128.8 (C<sub>10a</sub>, C<sub>4a</sub>, C<sub>9a</sub>, C<sub>8a</sub>), 127.9 (C<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>3</sub>, C<sub>6</sub>, C<sub>7</sub>), 125.8 (C<sub>1</sub>, C<sub>5</sub>), 125.2 (C<sub>4</sub>, C<sub>8</sub>), 2.5 (Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), -4.9 (Al(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>).

**EI-MS:** m/z (%): 687 (100) [M - Me]<sup>+</sup>, 573 (64) [M - SiMe<sub>3</sub>- AlMe<sub>2</sub> + H]<sup>+</sup>, 481 (52) [S-anthracene-S]<sup>2+</sup>, 413 (53) [M - 4 SiMe<sub>3</sub> -+ 3 H]<sup>+</sup>, 73 (40) [SiMe<sub>3</sub>]<sup>+</sup>.

## 6.3.11 [(Et<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>0.5</sub>Li{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)SEt]<sub>2</sub> (15)

A 0.5 M solution of EtLi (10 mL, 5 mmol) in THF was added dropwise to a solution of  $S(N^tBu)_2$  (0.87 g, 5 mmol) in 20 mL n-hexane at -78 °C over a period of 15 minutes. After stirring over night two third of the solvents were removed under reduced pressure and the yellow coloured reaction mixture was kept at 4 °C for two weeks, which afforded pale-yellow crystals suitable for X-ray analysis.

Empirical Formula: C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>56</sub>Li<sub>2</sub>N<sub>4</sub>OS<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>2</sub> Molecular weight: 526.89 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

Yield (%): 1.32 g, 2.50 mmol (50 %).

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz,  $C_6D_6$ ):  $\delta$  = 7.16 (s,  $C_6D_6$ ), 2.62 (br, 2 H, SC $H_2$ CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.62 (m, 16 H, OC $H_2$ CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.77 (m, 16 H, OC $H_2$ C $H_2$ ), 1.32 (s, 9 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.05 (br, 3 H, SC $H_2$ C $H_3$ ), 0.27 (s, 9 H, Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

#### 6.3.12 [(THF)<sub>0.5</sub>Li{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SBz]<sub>2</sub> (16)

A 0.19 M solution of BzLi (8.47 mL, 1.61 mmol) in THF was added dropwise to a solution of  $S(N^tBu)_2$  (0.262 g, 1.50 mmol) in 20 mL n-hexane at -78 °C over a period of 30 minutes. After an additional stirring of one hour at -78 °C, the orange coloured reaction mixture was stirred overnight at the room temperature. Subsequently, two third of the solvents were removed under reduced pressure and the contents were kept at -30 °C for two months, which afforded pale-yellow crystals suitable for X-ray analysis.

**Empirical Formula:** C<sub>50</sub>H<sub>90</sub>Li<sub>2</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>5</sub>S<sub>2</sub> **Molecular weight:** 905.26 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

Yield (%): 0.75 g, 0.99 mmol (66 %)

**Elemental analysis in % found (calc.):** C: 62.4 (66.3); H: 8.8 (9.8); N: 8.4 (7.4); S: 10.5 (8.4).

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz, thf-d<sub>8</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.30–7.15 (m, 5 H, phenyl), 3.91 (s, 2 H, PhC $H_2$ S), 3.62 (m, 4 H, OC $H_2$ CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.77 (m, 4 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>C $H_2$ ), 1.10 (s, 18 H, C(C $H_3$ )).

<sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (125 MHz, thf-d<sub>8</sub>):  $\delta$  = 134.8 (*ipso*), 131.6 (*para*), 128.6 (*meta*), 127.9 (*ortho*), 67.4 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 66.0 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>S), 54.1 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 32.5 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 25.2 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>).

**EI-MS:** m/z (%): 195 (11)  $[PhCH_2S(N^tBu)]^+$ , 175 (54)  $[S(N^tBu)_2 + H]^+$ , 119 (42)  $[NS(N^tBu) + 2H]^+$ , 91 (100)  $[PhCH_2]^+$ , 57 (44)  $[^tBu]^+$ .

## 6.3.13 [(THF)<sub>2</sub>MgBr{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SMe] (17), [(THF)<sub>2</sub>MgCl{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>S<sup>n</sup>Bu] (18) and [(THF)<sub>2</sub>MgCl{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)SBz] (19)

5.0 mmol S(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub> [for the synthesis of **19** S(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)(N<sup>t</sup>Bu) was used instead] were dissolved in 20 mL THF. 5.0 mmol RMgX in THF (X = CI or Br; R = Me, <sup>n</sup>Bu or Benzyl) were added to this solution at -78 °C over a period of 15 min. The mixtures were allowed to warm up to room temperature and stirred overnight. The solvent was removed *in vacuo*, the residual solids were re-dissolved in a *n*-hexane/THF mixture and insoluble particles were filtered off. The resulting solutions were stored at -24 °C and yielded colorless crystals suitable for X-ray structure analyses after 1-3 d.

 $[(THF)_2MgBr\{(N^tBu)_2SMe]$  (17):

**Empirical Formula:** C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>37</sub>SN<sub>2</sub>MgBrO<sub>2</sub> **Molecular weight:** 437.77 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

**Yield (%):** 1.86 g, 4.25 mmol (85 %).

**Elemental analysis in % found (calc.):** C: 45.4 (46.68), H: 8.24 (8.47), N: 6.86 (6.41), S: 7.55 (7.32).

**MS** (70 eV): m/z (%): 175 (25) [M – MgBr – Me + H]<sup>+</sup>, 119 (52) [M – MgBr – N<sup>t</sup>Bu + H]<sup>+</sup>, 63 (76) [M – MgBr – N<sup>t</sup>Bu –  $^{t}$ Bu + 2H]<sup>+</sup>, 57 (100) [ $^{t}$ Bu]<sup>+</sup>, 41 (55) [CH<sub>2</sub>CCH<sub>3</sub>]<sup>+</sup>.

#### **Major compound:**

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500.132 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 3.62 (m, 8 H, OC $H_2$ CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.18 (s, 3 H, SC $H_3$ ), 1.77 (m, 8 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>C $H_2$ ), 1.17 (s, 18 H, C( $CH_3$ )<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125.772 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 67.4 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 52.7 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 52.0 (SCH<sub>3</sub>), 32.8 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 25.3 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>).

<sup>15</sup>N-NMR (40.548 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF): -270.0 (NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

#### Minor compound:

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500.132 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 3.62 (m, 8 H, OC $H_2$ CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.26 (s, 3 H, SC $H_3$ ), 1.77 (m, 8 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>C $H_2$ ), 1.22 (s, 18 H, C(C $H_3$ )<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125.772 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 67.4 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 53.4 (*C*(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 53.2 (SCH<sub>3</sub>), 33.6 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 25.3 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>).

<sup>15</sup>N-NMR (40.548 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF): -271.8 (NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

 $[(THF)_2MgCl\{(N^tBu)_2S^nBu]$  (18):

**Empirical Formula:** C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>43</sub>ClMgN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S **Molecular weight:** 435.38 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

Yield (%): 1.65 g, 3.80 mmol (76 %).

**Elemental analysis in % found (calc.):** C: 54.32 (55.24), H: 10.0 (9.9), N: 6.84 (6.44), S: 7.79 (7.36).

**MS** (70 eV): m/z (%): 232 (10)  $[M - MgCl + H]^{+}$ , 175 (30)  $[M - MgCl - {}^{n}Bu + H]^{+}$ , 161 (15)  $[M - MgCl - N^{t}Bu + H]^{+}$ , 119 (38)  $[M - MgCl - N^{t}Bu - {}^{n}Bu + 2 H]^{+}$ , 72 (65)  $[HN^{t}Bu]^{+}$ , 63 (48)  $[M - MgCl - 2 {}^{t}Bu - {}^{n}Bu + 3H]^{+}$ , 57 (45)  $[{}^{t}Bu]^{+}$ , 41 (100)  $[CH_{2}CCH_{3}]^{+}$ .

#### Major compound:

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500.132 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 3.62 (m, 8 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.23 (tr, 2 H, SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.77 (m, 8 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.62 (m, 2 H, SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.39

(m, 2 H,  $SCH_2CH_2CH_2CH_3$ ), 1.17 (s, 18 H,  $C(CH_3)_3$ ), 0.92 (m, 3 H,  $SCH_2CH_2CH_2CH_3$ ).

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125.757 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF): δ = 67.43 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 63.83 (SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 53.51 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 33.89 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 25.30 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 23.11 (SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 22.58 (SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 14.26 (SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>).

#### Minor compound:

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500.132 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 3.62 (m, 8 H, OC $H_2$ CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.36 (tr, 2 H, SC $H_2$ CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.77 (m, 8 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>C $H_2$ ), 1.67 (m, 2 H, SCH<sub>2</sub>C $H_2$ CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.39 (m, 2 H, SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.22 (s, 18 H, C(C $H_3$ )<sub>3</sub>), 0.92 (m, 3 H, SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125.757 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 67.43 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 61.30 (SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>),

**C-NMR (123.757 MHz, G\_8-THF):** 0 = 67.43 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 61.30 (SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 52.97 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 33.26 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 25.30 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 23.26 (SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 22.58 (SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 14.29 (SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>).

 $[(THF)_2MgCl\{(N^tBu)(NSiMe_3)SBz]$  (19):

Empirical Formula: C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>41</sub>ClMgN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>SSi Molecular weight: 485.48 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

Yield (%): 1.99 g, 4.10 mmol (82 %).

**Elemental analysis in % found (calc.):** C: 53.84 (54.49), H: 8.41 (8.46), N: 5.65 (5.78).

**MS** (70 eV): m/z (%): 191 (47) [M - MgCl - CH<sub>2</sub>Ph]<sup>+</sup>, 147 (39) [M - MgCl - Ph -  ${}^{t}$ Bu]<sup>+</sup>, 135 (93) [M - MgCl - CH<sub>2</sub>Ph -  ${}^{t}$ Bu + H]<sup>+</sup>, 119 (15) [M - MgCl - CH<sub>2</sub>Ph - Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> + H]<sup>+</sup>, 91 (100) [Ch<sub>2</sub>Ph]<sup>+</sup>, 73 (31) [Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>]<sup>+</sup>, 57 (19) [ ${}^{t}$ Bu]<sup>+</sup>.

#### Major compound:

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500.134 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 7.30 - 7.16 (m, 5 H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 3.66 (d, 1 H, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.62 (m, 8 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.27 (d, 1 H, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 1.77 (m, 8 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.15 (s, 9 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), -0.12 (s, 9 H, Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125.757, d<sub>8</sub>-THF): δ = 133.24 (*ipso*), 130.87 (*ortho*), 128.16 (*meta*), 126.96 (*para*), 72.29 (SCH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 66.79 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 52.71 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 32.36 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 24.66 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.66 (Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

#### Minor compound:

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500.132 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 7.30 - 7.16 (m, 5 H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 3.92 (d, 1 H, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.62 (m, 8 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.53 (d, 1 H, SCH<sub>2</sub>), 1.77 (m, 8 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.17 (s, 9 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), -0.08 (s, 9 H, Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125.757 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF): 133.47 (*ipso*), 130.56 (*ortho*), 128.48 (*meta*), 127.28 (*para*), 75.07 (SCH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 66.79 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 52.48 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 33.35 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 24.66 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.06 (Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

# 6.3.14 [(THF)MgX(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SR]<sub>2</sub> (22: R = methyl, X = Br; 23: R = <sup>n</sup>butyl, X = Cl; 24: R = phenyl, X = Cl; 25: R = benzyl, X = Cl) and [(Et<sub>2</sub>O)MgBr(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SMe]<sub>2</sub> (26)

5.0 mmol S(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub> were dissolved in 20 mL THF (Et<sub>2</sub>O in the case of **26**). 5.0 mmol RMgX in THF (or Et<sub>2</sub>O) (X = CI or Br; R = Ph, Me, <sup>n</sup>Bu or Benzyl) were added to this solution at -78 °C over a period of 15 min. The mixtures were allowed to warm up to room temperature and stirred overnight. The solvent was removed *in vacuo*, the residual solids were re-dissolved in a *n*-hexane/THF mixture and insoluble particles were filtered off. The resulting solutions were stored at -24 °C and yielded colorless crystals suitable for X-ray structure analyses after 1-3 d.

 $[(THF)MgBr(N^tBu)_3SMe]_2$  (22) and  $[(Et_2O)MgBr(N^tBu)_3SMe]_2$  (26)

**Empirical Formula:**  $C_{34}H_{78}Br_2Mg_2N_6O_2S_2$  **Molecular weight:** 875.60 g mol<sup>-1</sup>  $C_{34}H_{80}Br_2Mg_2N_6O_2S_2$  877.60 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

Yield (%): 1.57 g, 3.60 mmol (72 %) and 1.42 g, 3.25 mmol (65 %).

**Elemental analysis in % found (calc.):** C: 46.34 (46.70), H: 8.87 (8.69), N: 7.91 (9.61), S: 5.98 (7.32).

**MS** (70 eV): m/z (%): 189 (28) [M – MgBr – N<sup>t</sup>Bu]<sup>+</sup>, 133 (24) [M – MgBr – N<sup>t</sup>Bu – <sup>t</sup>Bu + H]<sup>+</sup>, 77 (56) [M – MgBr – N<sup>t</sup>Bu – 2 <sup>t</sup>Bu + 2H]<sup>+</sup>, 57 (28) [<sup>t</sup>Bu]<sup>+</sup>, 41 (100) [CH<sub>2</sub>CCH<sub>3</sub>]<sup>+</sup>.

#### **Major compound:**

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500.132 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 3.14 (s, 3 H, SCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.43 (s, 9 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.38 (s, 9 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.41 (s, 9 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125.772 MHz,  $d_8$ -THF):  $\delta$  = 54.0 ( $C(CH_3)_3$ ), 53.2 (SCH<sub>3</sub>), 52.5 ( $C(CH_3)_3$ ), 34.3 ( $C(CH_3)_3$ ), 34.0 ( $C(CH_3)_3$ ), 33.6 ( $C(CH_3)_3$ ).

#### Minor compound:

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500.132 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 3.62 (m, 8 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.11 (s, 3 H, SCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.77 (m, 8 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.39 (br, 27 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125.772 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 67.4 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 52.8 (SCH<sub>3</sub>), 52.7 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 33.7 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 25.3 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>).

#### Minor compound (sulfonic acid):

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500.132 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 2.96 (s, 3 H, SCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.34 (s, 9 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.30 (s, 18 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125.772 MHz,  $d_8$ -THF):  $\delta = 53.5$  ( $C(CH_3)_3$ ), 53.3 (SCH<sub>3</sub>), 33.5 ( $C(CH_3)_3$ ), 30.8 ( $C(CH_3)_3$ ).

 $[(THF)MgBr(N^tBu)_3S^nBu]_2$  (23)

Empirical Formula: C<sub>40</sub>H<sub>88</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>Mg<sub>2</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub> Molecular weight: 868.80 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

Yield (%): 1.73 g, 4.00 mmol (80%).

**Elemental analysis in % found (calc.):** C: 55.09 (55.30), H: 10.41 (10.21), N: 9.85 (9.67), S: 7.53 (7.38).

**MS** (70 eV): m/z (%): 231 (42) [M – MgCl – N<sup>t</sup>Bu]<sup>+</sup>, 175 (20) [M – MgCl – N<sup>t</sup>Bu - <sup>t</sup>Bu + H]<sup>+</sup>, 119 (100) [M – MgCl – N<sup>t</sup>Bu - 2 <sup>t</sup>Bu + 2 H]<sup>+</sup>, 63 (48) [M – MgCl – <sup>n</sup>Bu – N<sup>t</sup>Bu - 2 <sup>t</sup>Bu + 3 H]<sup>+</sup>, 57 (24) [<sup>t</sup>Bu]<sup>+</sup>.

#### Major compound:

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500.132 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 3.62 (m, 4 H, OC $H_2$ CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.27 (m, 2 H, C $H_2$ CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.77 (m, 4 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.67 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.40 (br, 27 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.37 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 0.96 (m, 3 H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125.772 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 67.4 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 61.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 53.5 (free  $C(CH_3)_3$ ), 52.5 (bonded  $C(CH_3)_3$ ), 33.5 (bonded  $C(CH_3)_3$ ), 33.3 (free  $C(CH_3)_3$ ), 27.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 25.3 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 14.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>).

#### Minor compound (sulfonic acid):

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500.132 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 2.84 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.82 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.39 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.34 (s, 9 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.29 (s, 18 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 0.96 (m, 3 H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125.772 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 63.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 54.7 (protonated C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 53.1 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 33.7 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 30.8 (protonated C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 30.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 25.3 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 14.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>).

 $[(THF)MgBr(N^tBu)_3SPh]_2$  (24)

Empirical Formula: C<sub>44</sub>H<sub>80</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>Mg<sub>2</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub> Molecular weight: 908.78 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

**Yield (%):** 1.61 g, 3.55 mmol (71%).

**Elemental analysis in % found (calc.):** C: 57.0 (58.2), H: 8.5 (8.9), N: 9.0 (9.3), S: 6.8 (7.1).

**MS** (70 eV): m/z (%): 251 (47) [M – MgCl – N<sup>t</sup>Bu]<sup>+</sup>, 195 (26) [M – MgCl – N<sup>t</sup>Bu – <sup>t</sup>Bu + H]<sup>+</sup>, 180 (16) [M – MgCl – 2 N<sup>t</sup>Bu]<sup>+</sup>, 139 (100) [M – MgCl – N<sup>t</sup>Bu – 2 <sup>t</sup>Bu + 2 H]<sup>+</sup>, 57 (8) [<sup>t</sup>Bu]<sup>+</sup>.

#### Major compound:

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500.132 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 8.25 (d, 2 H, ortho/C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 7.26 (br, 3 H, *meta/para*), 3.62 (m, 4 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.77 (m, 4 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.53 (s, 9 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.11 (s, 18 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125.757 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 153.3 (*ipso*), 129.3 (*meta*), 129.3 (*ortho*), 128.0 (*para*), 67.4 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 53.5 (free C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 52.8 (bonded C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 33.7 (free C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 32.9 (bonded C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 25.3 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>).

#### Minor compound (sulfonic acid):

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500.132 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 8.10 (m, 2 H, *ortho*), 7.32 (m, 3 H, *meta/para*), 1.35 (s, 9 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.31 (s, 18 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125.757 MHz,  $d_8$ -THF):  $\delta$  = 153.3 (*ipso*), 129.9 (*meta*), 129.0 (*ortho*), 128.2 (*para*), 55.4 (protonated  $C(CH_3)_3$ ), 53.6 ( $C(CH_3)_3$ ), 33.3 ( $C(CH_3)_3$ ), 31.4 (protonated  $C(CH_3)_3$ ).

 $[(THF)MgBr(N^tBu)_3SBz]_2$  (25)

**Empirical Formula:** C<sub>46</sub>H<sub>84</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>Mg<sub>2</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub> **Molecular weight:** 936.83 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

Yield (%): 1.82 g, 3.90 mmol (78%).

**Elemental analysis in % found (calc.):** C: 58.5 (58.9), H: 9.1 (8.9), N: 9.2 (8.9), S: 6.7 (6.8).

**MS** (70 eV): m/z (%): 246 (100) [M – MgCl – CH<sub>2</sub>Ph + H]<sup>+</sup>, 153 (26) [M – MgCl – 2  ${}^{t}$ Bu – N<sup>t</sup>Bu + 2 H]<sup>+</sup>, 134 (90) [M – MgCl – CH<sub>2</sub>Ph – 2  ${}^{t}$ Bu + 3 H]<sup>+</sup>, 91 (60) [Ch<sub>2</sub>Ph]<sup>+</sup>, 78 (68) [LiN<sup>t</sup>Bu]<sup>+</sup>, 57 (35) [ ${}^{t}$ Bu]<sup>+</sup>.

#### Major compound:

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500.134 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 7.66 (d, 2 H, ortho), 7.27 (m, 3 H, meta/para), 4.59 (s, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 3.62 (m, 4 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.77 (m, 4 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.44 (s, 9 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.38 (s, 18 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125.757 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 136.1 (*ipso*), 132.0 (*meta*), 128.4 (*ortho*), 127.7 (*para*), 68.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 67.4 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 52.8 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 33.5 (free C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 33.4 (bonded C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 25.3 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>).

#### Minor compound (sulfonic acid):

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500.132 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 7.53 (d, 2 H, ortho), 7.06 (m, 3 H, meta/para), 4.10 (s, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 1.34 (s, 9 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.32 (s, 18 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125.757 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 136.1 (*ipso*), 132.0 (*meta*), 128.3 (*ortho*), 127.9 (*para*), 69.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 54.1 (*C*(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 33.6 (protonated C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

### $6.3.15 [Mg{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SMe}<sub>2</sub>] (27)$

3.0 mmol of **22** were dissolved in 10 mL toluene. The resulting mixture was stirred for one hour and the insoluble particles were filtered off. The resulting solutions were stored at 4 °C and yielded colorless crystals suitable for X-ray structure analyses after 1-3 d.

**Empirical Formula:** C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>60</sub>MgN<sub>6</sub>S<sub>2</sub> **Molecular weight:** 545.23 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

Yield (%): 1.27 g, 2.70 mmol (90%).

**Elemental analysis in % found (calc.):** C: 54.71 (57.27), H: 10.56 (11.09), N: 14.66 (15.41.), S: 10.73 (11.76).

**MS** (70 eV): m/z (%): 544 (5) [M]<sup>+</sup>, 529 (68) [M - Me]<sup>+</sup>, 458.3 [M - Me - N<sup>t</sup>Bu]<sup>+</sup>, 416 (62) [M - <sup>t</sup>Bu - N <sup>t</sup>Bu]<sup>+</sup>, 189 (52) [M - Mg - SMe - 4 N<sup>t</sup>Bu]<sup>+</sup>, 133 (48) [M - Mg - <sup>t</sup>Bu - SMe - 4 N<sup>t</sup>Bu + H]<sup>+</sup>, 77 (100) [MeSNHNH]<sup>+</sup>, 57 (20) [<sup>t</sup>Bu]<sup>+</sup>

#### Major compound:

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500.132 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 3.14 (s, 3 H, SCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.43 (s, 9 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.41 (s, 9 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.38 (s, 9 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125.772 MHz,  $d_8$ -THF):  $\delta = 54.0$  ( $C(CH_3)_3$ ), 53.2 (SCH<sub>3</sub>), 52.5 ( $C(CH_3)_3$ ), 34.3 ( $C(CH_3)_3$ ), 34.0 ( $C(CH_3)_3$ ), 33.6 ( $C(CH_3)_3$ ).

<sup>15</sup>N-NMR (40.548 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF): δ = -258.1 (NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), -258.8 (NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), -259.1 (NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

#### Minor compound (sulfonic acid):

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500.132 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = 2.96 (s, 3 H, SCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.34 (s, 9 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.30 (s, 18 H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (125.772 MHz,  $d_8$ -THF):  $\delta$  = 53.5 ( $C(CH_3)_3$ ), 53.3 (SCH<sub>3</sub>), 33.5 ( $C(CH_3)_3$ ), 30.8 (protonated  $C(CH_3)_3$ ).

## $6.3.16 [Zn{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SMe}<sub>2</sub>] (28)$

The crystal structure can be found in chapter 2.4.2 and chapter 7.5.28. All other analytical data and the synthesis can be found in the literature.<sup>[79]</sup>

**Empirical Formula:** C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>60</sub>N<sub>6</sub>S<sub>2</sub>Zn **Molecular weight:** 585.53 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup>N-NMR (40.548 MHz, d<sub>8</sub>-THF):  $\delta$  = -253.1 (NHC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), -261.2 (NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

#### 7 CRYSTALLOGRAPHIC SECTION

## 7.1 Crystal Application

The crystals were taken from the mother liquor using standard *Schlenk* techniques and placed in perfluorinated polyether oil on a microscope slide. An appropriately sized crystal of high quality was selected under a polarization microscope (for detection of twinning and the presence of satellites) with help of the X-TEMP2 cooling device. [207,208] It was mounted on a glass fibre glued to the magnetic pin of the goniometer head in a way that it was completely coated with the perfluorinated polyether oil. [221] Oil and crystal were shock-cooled in the cold gas stream of an open flow nitrogen cooling device attached to the diffractometer. The amorphous frozen oil served as glue and protected the sensitive compounds along with the nitrogen gas stream from moisture and oxygen. The measurement temperatures varied for the different compounds as the presence of polymorph transitions prohibited cooling to 100 K for some compounds. The experimental conditions of each measurement are given in the crystallographic tables of section 7.5.

## 7.2 Data Collection and Processing

#### Bruker diffractometers:

Nearly all compounds were either measured on a Bruker D8 goniometer platform, equipped with a SMART APEX II CCD camera. The compounds were measured using graphite monochromated MoK $_{\alpha}$  radiation (0.71073 Å) from a SIEMENS sealed tube with a monocapillary collimator, a Incoatec microfocus source with Quazar mirror optics<sup>[222]</sup> or on a rotating anode device. The Bruker TXS Mo rotating anode is equipped with an APEX II CCD detector, mounted on a three-circle D8 goniometer, and Incoatec Helios mirrors as monochromator optics, which supplies very intense and brilliant MoK $_{\alpha}$  radiation (0.71073 Å).

All crystals were centered optically using a video camera after being mounted on the diffractometer.

Data collection was controlled with the APEX2 package. [223] A test run (usually 50 frames in  $\omega$ -scan mode at  $\varphi$  = 0 °) was recorded prior to each experiment to check

the crystal quality, to get a rough estimate of the cell parameters, and to determine the optimum exposure time. All scans of the data collections were performed in an  $\omega$ -scan mode with a step-width of -0.3 ° at fixed  $\varphi$ -angles.

The determination of the unit cells and orientation matrices were performed with the tools supplied in the APEX2 package. <sup>[223]</sup> The collected frames were integrated with SAINT<sup>[209]</sup> using the 3d profiling method described by *Kabsch*. <sup>[224]</sup>

All data sets were corrected for absorption and scaled using SADABS<sup>[206]</sup> or TWINABS.<sup>[225]</sup> XPREP<sup>[212]</sup> was used to determine the space group prior to the absorption correction, as this is crucial for a correct treatment. SADABS and TWINABS refine an empirical model function by symmetry-equivalent reflections.

Data merging according to the determined symmetry and setup of the files for structure solution and refinement was performed with XPREP. [212]

#### Stoe diffractometer:

The X-ray structure determination of **25** was performed on a Stoe IPDS II diffractometer using graphite monochromated  $MoK_{\alpha}$  radiation (0.71073 Å) from a sealed tube and an image plate detector.

The crystal was centered optically using a video camera after mounting on the diffractometer.

All operations from data collection over monitoring up to the data reduction were performed with the X-AREA software package supplied by Stoe & Cie. [226] A test run (20 frames in  $\omega$ -scan mode at  $\varphi$  = 0°) was recorded prior to the experiment to check the crystal quality, to get a rough estimate of the cell parameters and to determine the optimum exposure time. All scans of the data collection were performed in an  $\omega$ -scan mode with a step-width of -1.0° at fixed  $\varphi$ -angles. The data collection strategy was chosen in a way that 100% of the reflections were recorded up to  $\sin\theta/\lambda$  = 0.8 Å at an overall redundancy of at least 5.

#### 7.3 Structure Solution and Refinement

The structures were solved with direct methods using SHELXS. [210] All refinements were performed on  $F^2$  with SHELXL. [210]

If not stated otherwise, the hydrogen atoms of the compounds were refined using a riding model. The positions were geometrically optimized and the  $U_{\rm iso}$  were constrained to 1.2  $U_{\rm eq}$  of the pivot atom or 1.5  $U_{\rm eq}$  of the methyl carbon atom.

In all refinements the function  $M(p_i,k)$  (Eq. 7-1) was minimized using the weights  $w_H$  defined in Eq. 7-2. The variables g1 and g2 are given in the crystallographic tables.

**Eq. 7-1:** 
$$M(p_i, k) = \sum_{\mathbf{H}} w_{\mathbf{H}} [k | F_{\text{obs}}(\mathbf{H}) |^2 - | F_{\text{calc}}(\mathbf{H}) |^2]^2 = \min$$

Eq. 7-2: 
$$w_H^{-1} = \sigma_H^2 F_{\text{obs}}^2 + (g1 \cdot P)^2 + g2 \cdot P \text{ with } P = \left(\frac{F_{\text{obs}}^2 + 2F_{\text{calc}}^2}{3}\right)$$

The results of the refinements were verified by comparison of the calculated and the observed structure factors. Commonly used criteria are the residuals R1 (Eq. 7-3) and wR2 (Eq. 7-4). The wR2 is more significant, because the model is refined against  $F^2$ .

Eq. 7-3: 
$$R1 = \frac{\sum_{H} w_{H} (|F_{obs}| - |F_{calc}|)}{\sum_{H} w_{H} |F_{obs}|}$$
 Eq. 7-4:  $wR2 = \frac{\sum_{H} w_{H} (|F_{obs}|^{2} - |F_{calc}|^{2})^{2}}{\sum_{H} w_{H} |F_{obs}|^{4}}$ 

Additionally, the GoF ( $\underline{g}$ oodness  $\underline{o}$ f  $\underline{f}$ it), a figure of merit showing the relation between deviation of  $F_{calc}$  from  $F_{obs}$  and the over-determination of refined parameters, is calculated.

Eq. 7-5: 
$$GoF = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{H} w_{H} (|F_{obs}| - |F_{calc}|)^{2}}{N - n}}$$

The residual densities from difference *Fourier* analysis should be low. Due to the model restrictions the residuals are normally found in the bonding regions. Higher residuals for heavy scatterers are acceptable as they arise mainly from absorption effects and *Fourier* truncation errors due to the limited recorded resolution range. The

highest peak and deepest hole from difference *Fourier* analysis are listed in the crystallographic tables.

Additionally, the orientation, size and ellipticity of the ADP's show the quality of the model. Ideally, the ADP's should be oriented perpendicular to the bonds, be equal in size and show little ellipticity. The ADP's for all atoms of the asymmetric units of the compounds are depicted in section 7.5. All graphics were generated and plotted with the X-Shell program at the 50 % probability level.

If not stated otherwise hydrogen atoms were refined isotropically on calculated positions using a riding model with their  $U_{\rm iso}$  values constrained to equal to 1.5 times the  $U_{\rm eq}$  of their pivot atoms for terminal sp<sup>3</sup> carbon atoms and 1.2 times for all other carbon atoms. The position of certain hydrogen atoms (e. g. in OH groups) were found with a difference Fourier analysis of the rest electron density. The hydrogen bond lengths were restrained to a sensible value and the  $U_{\rm iso}$  were constrained to 1.2 times the  $U_{\rm eq}$  of the pivot atoms.

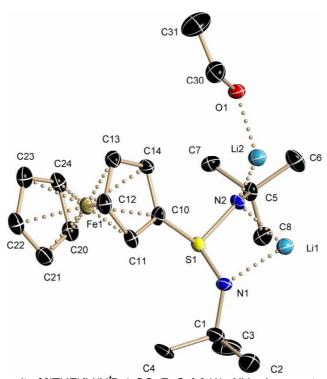
#### 7.4 Treatment of Disorder

Structures containing disordered fragments were refined using constraints and restraints. The geometries of chemically equivalent but crystallographically independent fragments can be fitted to each other by distance restraints. Especially the 1,2 distances (bond lengths) and 1,3 distances (bond angles) are set to be equal within their effective standard deviations. This is helpful for refining disordered positions as the averaging of equivalent fragments implements chemical information and stabilizes the refinement.

Restraints affecting the anisotropic displacement parameters are often essential for the anisotropic refinement of disordered atomic positions. The rigid bond restraints (DELU in SHELXL)<sup>[227]</sup> fit the components of the anisotropic displacement parameters along the bonds within esd's. Similarity restraints (SIMU in SHELXL)<sup>[227]</sup> adjust the ADPs of neighboring atoms within a certain radius to be equal according to their esd's. The ISOR command in SHELXL<sup>[227]</sup> forces the ADPs to adapt a more spherical, isotropic behavior, which is sometimes necessary to refine positions with minor occupation factors. All restraints of this type are applied as weak restraints with relatively large esd's, as the affected parameters are not perfectly equal.

## 7.5 Crystallographic Details for 1-18 and 22-28

## 7.5.1 $[(THF)\{Li(N^tBu)_2SCpFeCp\}_2]$ (1)



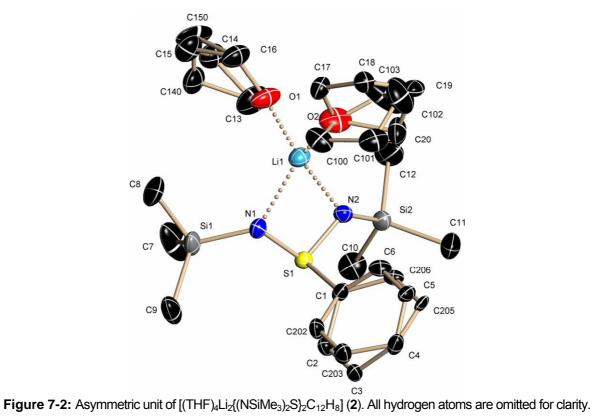
**Figure 7-1:** Asymmetric unit of [(THF){Li(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SCpFeCp}<sub>2</sub>] (1). All hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

The crystals of 1 were non-merohedrally twinned. The orientation matrices of the two components and the initial cell were determined using CELL\_NOW. Those matrices were then used for integrating the domains separately with SAINT. Subsequent absorption correction with TWINABS lead to a HKLF4 file for structure solution and a HKLF5 file for further refinement. The occupancy factors of the two additional domains refined to 13 % and 9 %.

**Table 7-1:** Crystallographic data for  $[(THF)\{Li(N^tBu)_2SCpFeCp\}_2]$  (1).

structure code	Iron Man	F(000)	1712
formula	$C_{40}H_{62}Fe_2Li_2$ $N_4OS_2$	max. / min. Transmission	0.745432/ 0.328183
molecular mass / g⋅mol <sup>-1</sup>	804.64	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.272
crystal size / mm	0.2 x 0.2 x 0.05	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.824
crystal system	monoclinic	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	2.02 - 25.51
space group	C2/c	reflections all/unique	7214 / 3814
a/Å	14.577(4)	data/restraints/parameter	3814 / 0 / 238
b/Å	14.651(4)	R1 (all data)	0.1081
c/Å	20.673(5)	wR2 (all data)	0.1758
β/°	107.917(3)	g1 / g2	0.0001 / 35.1067
V/Å <sup>3</sup>	4201.1(18)	GoF	1.198
Z	4	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.756 / -0.646

## 7.5.2 [(THF) $_4$ Li $_2$ {(NSiMe $_3$ ) $_2$ S} $_2$ C $_{12}$ H $_8$ ] (2)

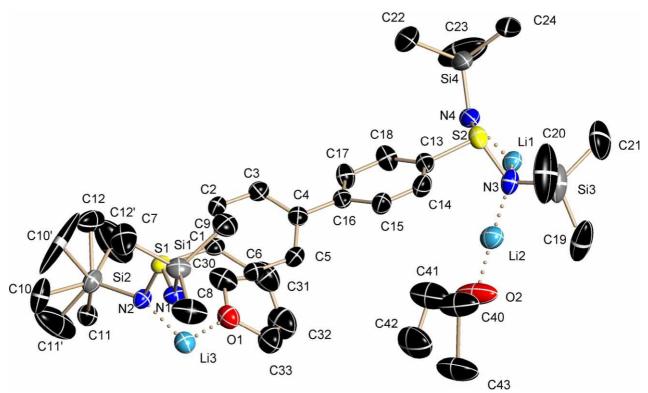


In the solid state structure both donating THF molecules and the central biphenyl framework are disordered. While in one THF molecule only two carbon atoms are disordered (30 %) the second THF exhibits two different positions (only the position of the oxygen atom is fixed) and therefore induces the disorder at the biphenyl framework by hydrogen bonds. Both occupation factors refine to 50 % indicating that the disorders depend from each other. The disorder in the ring system was stabilized with SADI restraints. Additionally the crystals of 2 were non-merohedrally twinned. The orientation matrices of the two components and the initial cell were determined using CELL\_NOW. Those matrices were then used for integrating the domains separately with SAINT. Subsequent absorption correction with TWINABS lead to a HKLF4 file for structure solution and further refinement.

**Table 7-2:** Crystallographic data for [(THF)<sub>4</sub>Li<sub>2</sub>{(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S}<sub>2</sub>C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>8</sub>] (2).

structure code	D50	temperature / K	100(2)
formula	$C_{40}H_{76}Li_2N_4$ $O_4S_2Si_4$	max. / min. Transmission	0.6676 / 0.7453
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	867.41	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.126
crystal size / mm	$0.35\times0.2\times0.1$	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.24
crystal system	triclinic	F(000)	470
space group	<i>P</i> 1	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	1.57 - 25.35
a/Å	10.1713(16)	reflections all/unique	31830 / 4687
b/Å	10.426(3)	data/restraints/parameter	4687 / 17 / 349
c/Å	13.924(3)	R1 (all data)	0.0417
α/°	80.687(4)	wR2 (all data)	0.0946
β / °	68.710(6)	g1 / g2	0.0483 / 0.6967
γ/°	68.492(5)	GoF	1.043
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	1279.4(5)	peak/hole:	
Z	1	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.46 / -0.30

#### 7.5.3 $[(THF)_{1.5}Li_2\{(NSiMe_3)_2S\}_2C_{12}H_8]_{\infty}$ (3)



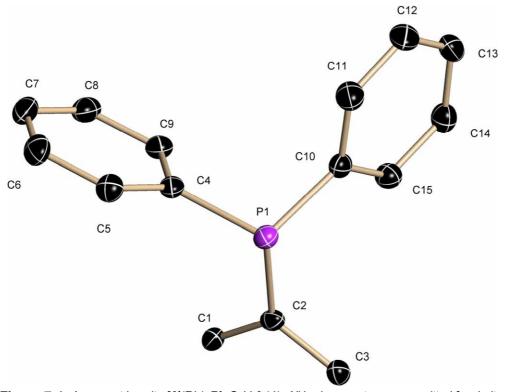
**Figure 7-3:** Asymmetric unit of  $[(THF)_{1.5}Li_2((NSiMe_3)_2S)_2C_{12}H_8]_{\infty}$  (3). All hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

In the solid state structure disorders at one trimethylsilyl group and at one THF donor are present. Although a second position for the trimethylsilyl group could be found (occupation factor 20 %) the ADP's indicate that there are some more with smaller occupation factors. The THF molecule is completely disordered except for the fixed oxygen atom (occupation factor 50 %).

structure code	P245	F(000)	2960
formula	$C_{30}H_{56}Li_2N_4$ $O_{1.50}S_2Si_4$	max. / min. Transmission	0.5604 / 0.7090
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	687.15	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m $^{ ext{-}3}$	1.088
crystal size / mm	0.1 x 0.1 x 0.05	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.268
crystal system	orthorhombic	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	2.16 - 25.46
space group	Pbcn	reflections all/unique	56409 / 7750
a/Å	13.4045(13)	data/restraints/parameter	7750 / 23 / 455
b/Å	18.8417(16)	R1 (all data)	0.0993
c/Å	33.228(3)	wR2 (all data)	0.1967
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	8392.3(13)	g1 / g2	0.00 / 19.678499
Z	8	GoF	1.161
temperature / K	100(2)	peak / hole / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.587 / -0.341

**Table 7-3:** Crystallographic data for  $[(THF)_{1.5}Li_2\{(NSiMe_3)_2S\}_2C_{12}H_8]_{\infty}$  (3).

## 7.5.4 $[{(Ph)_2P}_2C_6H_4]$ (4)

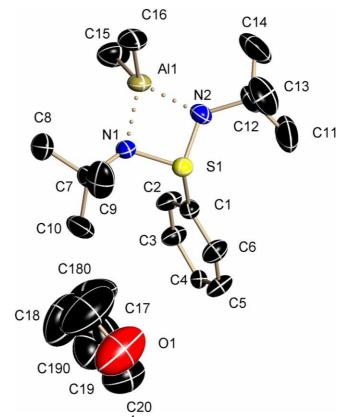


**Figure 7-4:** Asymmetric unit of  $[\{(Ph)_2P\}_2C_6H_4]$  (4). All hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

**Table 7-4:** Crystallographic data for  $[\{(Ph)_2P\}_2C_6H_4]$  (4).

structure code	Flo26	F(000)	468
formula	$C_{30}H_{24}P_2$	max. / min. Transmission	0.6798 / 0.7454
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	446.43	$ ho_{\rm calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.285
crystal size / mm	0.15 x 0.15 x 0.05	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.204
crystal system	monoclinic	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	2.23 - 26.67
space group	P2₁/n	reflections all/unique	12635 / 2460
a/Å	6.794(2)	data/restraints/parameter	2460 / 0 / 145
b/Å	11.901(4)	R1 (all data)	0.0460
c/Å	14.388(4)	wR2 (all data)	0.0900
β/°	97.201(4)	g1 / g2	0.0388 / 0.7088
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	1154.2(6)	GoF	1.045
Z	2	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.341 / -0.311

## 7.5.5 $[\{Me_2Al(N^tBu)_2S\}_2C_{12}H_8]$ (5)



**Figure 7-5**: Asymmetric unit of  $[\{Me_2Al(N^tBu)_2S\}_2C_{12}H_8]$  (5). All hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

In **5** only the non-coordinated THF molecule is disordered. A second position for two of the carbon atoms could be found. The occupation factor refines to 20 %. A SIMU and a DELU restraint was applied to stabilize the THF molecule. The same was done to one of the *tert*-butyl groups.

**Table 7-5:** Crystallographic data for Me<sub>2</sub>Al(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>S}<sub>2</sub>C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>8</sub>] (5).

structure code	D52	temperature / K	100(2)
formula	$C_{40}H_{76}Li_2N_4$ $O_4S_2Si_4$	max. / min. Transmission	0.6676 / 0.7453
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	867.41	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.126
crystal size / mm	$0.35\times0.2\times0.1$	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.24
crystal system	triclinic	F(000)	470
space group	<i>P</i>	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	1.57 - 25.35
a/Å	10.1713(16)	reflections all/unique	31830 / 4687
b/Å	10.426(3)	data/restraints/parameter	4687 / 17 / 349
c/Å	13.924(3)	R1 (all data)	0.0417
α/°	80.687(4)	wR2 (all data)	0.0946
β / °	68.710(6)	g1 / g2	0.0483 / 0.6967
γ/°	68.492(5)	GoF	1.043
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	1279.4(5)	peak/hole:	
Z	1	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.46 / -0.30

## 7.5.6 $[\{Me_2Al(NSiMe_3)_2S\}_2C_6H_4]$ (6)

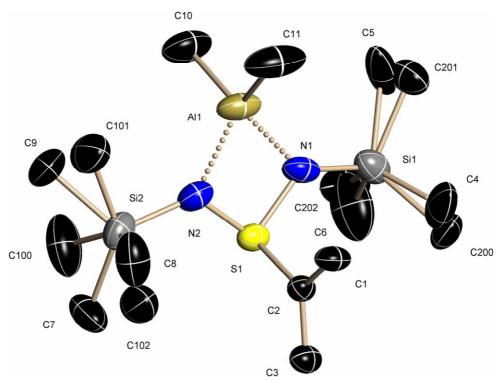


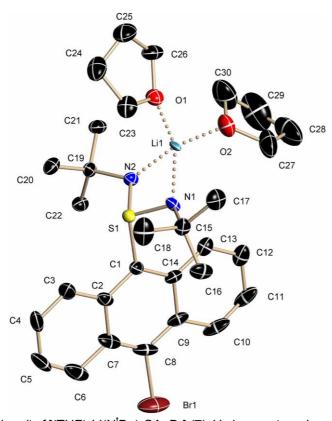
Figure 7-6: Asymmetric unit of [{Me<sub>2</sub>Al(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S}<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>] (6). Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

In the solid state structure of **6** all trimethylsilyl groups are disordered. A second position could be found for the groups with a side occupation factor of 50 % in both cases. To stabilize the disordered groups SIMU and DELU commands were applied.

**Table 7-6:** Crystallographic data for [{Me<sub>2</sub>Al(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S}<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>] (6).

structure code	D10	F(000)	1304
formula	$C_{22}H_{52}AI_2N_4S_2Si_4$	max. / min. Transmission	0.6432 / 0.7453
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	603.12	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.069
crystal size / mm	0.1 x 0.1 x 0.05	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.334
crystal system	orthorhombic	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	1.78 - 25.34
space group	Pccn	reflections all/unique	21854 / 3431
a/Å	15.7678(11)	data/restraints/parameter	3431 / 16 / 224
b/Å	16.5892(11)	R1 (all data)	0.0667
c/Å	14.3223(9)	wR2 (all data)	0.1074
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	3746.4(4)	g1 / g2	0.0446 / 2.3232
Z	4	GoF	1.013
temperature / K	100(2)	peak / hole / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.376 / -0.383

## 7.5.7 [(THF) $_2$ Li(N $^t$ Bu) $_2$ SAnBr] (7)



 $\textbf{Figure 7-7:} \ \, \text{Asymmetric unit of } [(\text{THF})_2 \text{Li}(\text{N}^t \text{Bu})_2 \text{SAnBr}] \ \, \textbf{(7)}. \ \, \text{Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity}.$ 

**Table 7-7:** Crystallographic data for [(THF)<sub>2</sub>Li(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SAnBr] (7).

structure code	Mandy	F(000)	1224
formula	$C_{30}H_{42}BrLiN_2O_2S$	max. / min. Transmission	not determined
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	581.57	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.281
crystal size / mm	0.1 x 0.1 x 0.05	flack x	0.0256( 0.0117)
crystal system	orthorhombic	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	2.19 - 25.41
space group	Pna2₁	reflections all/unique	35006 / 5563
a/Å	17.088(3)	data/restraints/parameter	5563 / 41 / 340
b/Å	11.1177(17)	R1 (all data)	0.0666
c/Å	15.878(2)	wR2 (all data)	0.1461
V/Å <sup>3</sup>	3016.5(8)	g1 / g2	0.0926 / 0.00
Z	4	GoF	1.049
temperature / K	100(2)	peak / hole / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.513 / -0.936

## 7.5.8 $[(Et_2O)(LiBr)Li(N^tBu)_2SAnBr]_2(8)$

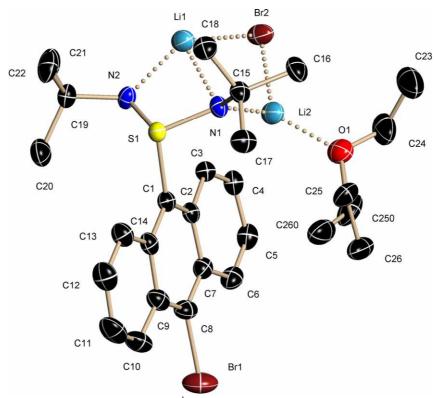
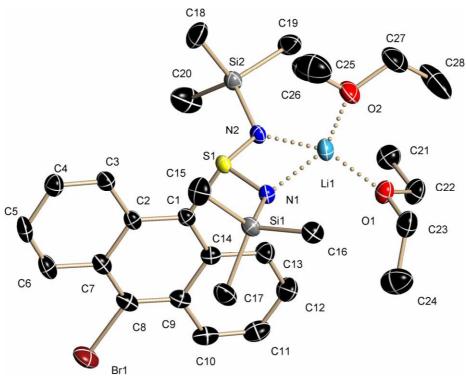


Figure 7-8: Asymmetric unit of [(Et<sub>2</sub>O)(LiBr)Li(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SAnBr]<sub>2</sub> (8). Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

**Table 7-8:** Crystallographic data for [(Et<sub>2</sub>O)(LiBr)Li(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SAnBr]<sub>2</sub> (8).

structure code	P61c	F(000)	1224
formula	$C_{52}H_{72}Br_4Li_4$ $N_4O_2S_2$	max. / min. Transmission	0.3653 / 0.4296
molecular mass / g⋅mol <sup>-1</sup>	1196.66	$ ho_{\rm calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.386
crystal size / mm	$0.2\times0.15\times0.1$	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	2.921
crystal system	monoclinic	$\theta_{min}$ / $\theta_{max}$ °	1.94 - 26.44
space group	P2(1)/n	reflections all/unique	43137 / 5893
a/Å	12.869(3)	data/restraints/parameter	5893 / 0 / 335
b/Å	15.765(3)	R1 (all data)	0.0480
c/Å	14.182(3)	wR2 (all data)	0.1124
β/°	94.951(3)	g1 / g2	0.059 / 2.6409
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	2866.5(11)	GoF	1.079
Z	2	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	1.081 / -1.097

## 7.5.9 $[(Et_2O)_2Li(NSiMe_3)_2SAnBr]$ (9)



 $\textbf{Figure 7-9:} \ \, \text{Asymmetric unit of } [(\text{Et}_2\text{O})_2\text{Li}(\text{NSiMe}_3)_2\text{SAnBr}] \, \textbf{(9)}. \ \, \text{Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity}.$ 

The crystals of **9** were non-merohedrally twinned. The orientation matrices of the additional component and the initial cell were determined using CELL\_NOW. Those matrices were then used for integrating the domains separately with SAINT. Subsequent absorption correction with TWINABS lead to a HKLF4 file for structure solution and a HKLF5 file for further refinement. The occupancy factor of the additional domain refined to 15 %.

Table 7-9: Crystallographic data for [(Et<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>Li(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SAnBr] (9).

structure code	SiMandy	F(000)	1304
formula	$C_{28}H_{46}BrLiN_2$ $O_2SSi_2$	max. / min. Transmission	0.327452 / 0.429324
molecular mass / g⋅mol <sup>-1</sup>	617.76	ρ <sub>calc</sub> / Mg⋅m <sup>-3</sup>	1.222
crystal size / mm	$0.2\times0.15\times0.1$	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	1.383
crystal system	monoclinic	$\theta_{min}$ / $\theta_{max}$ °	1.65 - 26.03
space group	P2(1)/n	reflections all/unique	33832 / 7198
a/Å	10.917(2)	data/restraints/parameter	7198 / 0 / 345
b/Å	18.935(2)	R1 (all data)	0.0652
c/Å	16.338(3)	wR2 (all data)	0.1009
β / °	96.18(2)	g1 / g2	0.0311 / 4.0902
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	3357.7(10)	GoF	1.054
Z	4	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.676 / -0.345

## 7.5.10 [Me<sub>2</sub>AI(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SAnBr] (10)

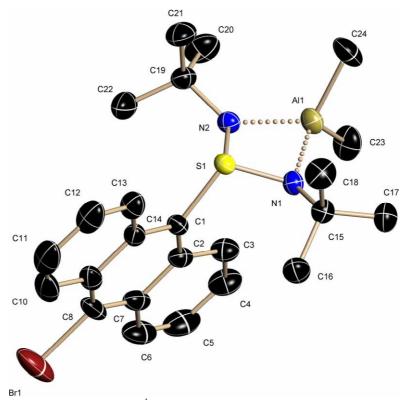
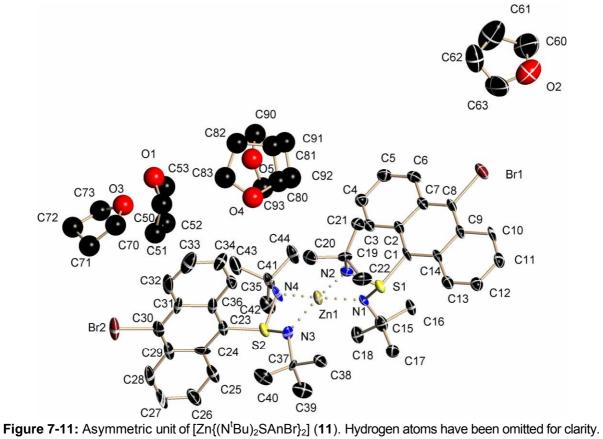


Figure 7-10: Asymmetric unit of [Me<sub>2</sub>Al(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SAnBr] (10). Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

structure code	Alana	F(000)	2032
formula	$C_{24}H_{32}AlBrN_2S$	max. / min. Transmission	0.743953 / 0.99
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	487.47	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.315
crystal size / mm	0.35 x 0.2 x 0.15	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	1.802
crystal system	orthorhombic	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	2.22 - 26.44
space group	Pbca	reflections all/unique	58664 / 5056
a/Å	11.6435(11)	data/restraints/parameter	5056 / 0 / 270
b/Å	14.2039(13)	R1 (all data)	0.0533
c/Å	29.779(3)	wR2 (all data)	0.1235
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	4925.0(8)	g1 / g2	0.0614 / 5.8927
Z	8	GoF	1.019
temperature / K	100(2)	peak / hole / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.936 / -1.140

## 7.5.11 [Zn{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SAnBr}<sub>2</sub>] (11)



Due to the bad data quality and the high degree of freedom of the solvent molecules all THF molecules, except for one, could only be described isotropically. On the ADP's of all other atoms SIMU and DELU restraints were applied.

**Table 7-11:** Crystallographic data for [Zn{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SAnBr}<sub>2</sub>] (11).

structure code	P190	temperature / K	100(2)
formula	$C_{60}H_{84}Br_2N_4$ $O_4S_2Zn$	max. / min. Transmission	not determined
molecular mass / g⋅mol <sup>-1</sup>	1214.62	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.391
crystal size / mm	$0.1\times0.1\times0.1$	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	1.922
crystal system	triclinic	F(000)	1272
space group	P 1	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	1.14 - 25.03
a/Å	8.8839 (11)	reflections all/unique	11643 / 7711
b/Å	18.6414(12)	data/restraints/parameter	7711 / 271 / 564
c/Å	18.711(3)	R1 (all data)	0.0961
α/°	74.337(3)	wR2 (all data)	0.1953
β/°	77.409(4)	g1 / g2	0.0419 / 46.252
γ/°	81.776(3)	GoF	1.110
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	2900.2(4)	peak/hole:	
Z	2	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.97 /0.619

## 7.5.12 [LiNHSiMe<sub>3</sub>] $_{\infty}$

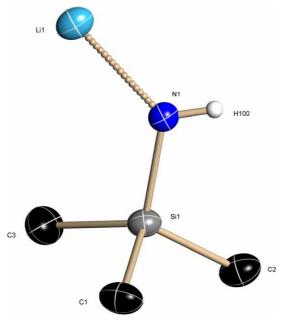


Figure 7-12: Asymmetric unit of [LiNHSiMe $_3$ ] $_\infty$ . All constraint hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

The hydrogen atom at the nitrogen atom was found using a difference Fourier analysis of the rest electron density.

Table 7-12: Crystallographic data for [LiNHSiMe₃]∞.

structure code	P12	F(000)	416
formula	$C_{12}H_{40}Li_4N_4Si_4$	max. / min. Transmission	0.89 / 0.99
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	380.60	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	0.979
crystal size / mm	0.15 x 0.12 x 0.1	μ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.231
crystal system	monoclinic	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	2.23 - 23.19
space group	C2/c	reflections all/unique	6209 / 929
a/Å	18.863(2)	data/restraints/parameter	929 / 0 / 62
b/Å	9.1304(10)	R1 (all data)	0.0338
c/Å	7.7416(8)	wR2 (all data)	0.1082
β/°	104.3990(10)	g1 / g2	0.0684 / 0.3792
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	1291.4(2)	GoF	1.261
Z	2	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.295 / -0.313

## 7.5.13 [(THF)<sub>3</sub>LiBr(Ph<sub>2</sub>PAn)<sub>2</sub>Et]

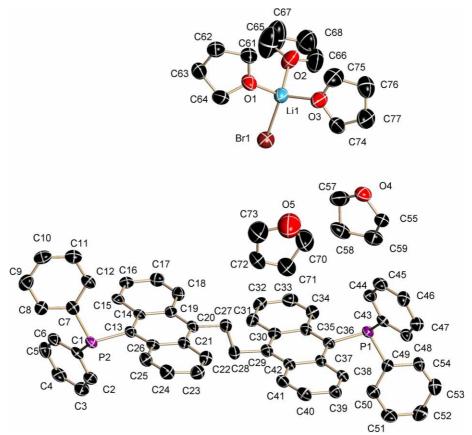


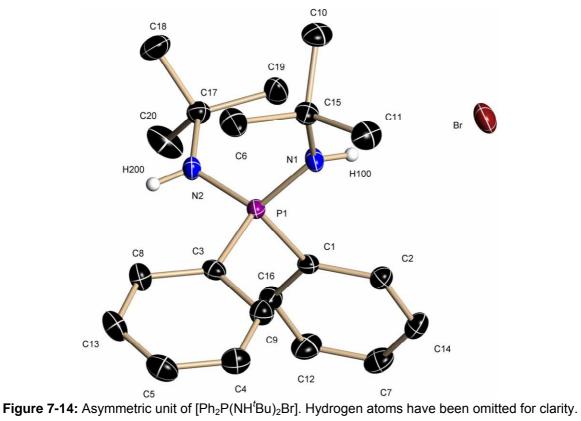
Figure 7-13: Asymmetric unit of [(THF)<sub>3</sub>LiBr(Ph<sub>2</sub>PAn)<sub>2</sub>Et]. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Due to racemic twinning the *Flack* x parameter could not be determined.

**Table 7-13:** Crystallographic data for [(THF)<sub>3</sub>LiBr(Ph<sub>2</sub>PAn)<sub>2</sub>Et].

structure code	P122	temperature / K	100(2)
formula	$C_{74}H_{80}BrLiO_5P_2$	max. / min. Transmission	not determined
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	1198.17	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.285
crystal size / mm	0.2 x 0.2 x 0.15	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.767
crystal system	triclinic	F(000)	632
space group	<i>P</i> 1	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	2.29 - 25.68
a/Å	9.151(1)	reflections all/unique	7764 / 6718
b/Å	13.141(2)	data/restraints/parameter	6718 / 66 / 748
c/Å	14.734(2)	R1 (all data)	0.0743
α/°	63.818(2)	wR2 (all data)	0.1828
β / °	83.047(2)	g1 / g2	0.1511 / 0.0963
γ/°	76.953(2)	GoF	1.028
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	1548.6(4)	peak/hole:	
Z	1	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	1.173 / -0.367

## 7.5.14 [Ph<sub>2</sub>P(NH<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>Br]

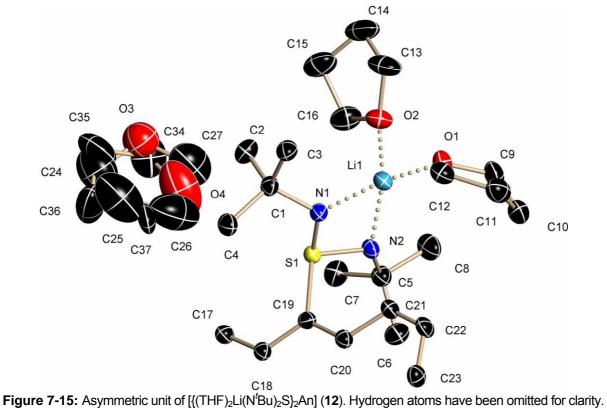


The hydrogen atoms at the nitrogen atoms were found using a difference Fourier analysis of the rest electron density.

**Table 7-14:** Crystallographic data for [Ph<sub>2</sub>P(NH<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>Br].

structure code	P104	F(000)	856
formula	$C_{20}H_{30}BrN_2P$	max. / min. Transmission	0.3855 / 0.4299
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	409.34	$ ho_{\rm calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.290
crystal size / mm	0.2 x 0.1 x 0.1	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	2.030
crystal system	monoclinic	$\theta_{min}$ / $\theta_{max}$ °	2.75 - 26.77
space group	Cc	reflections all/unique	22926 / 4485
a/Å	13.985(2)	data/restraints/parameter	4485 / 2 / 231
b/Å	15.936(3)	R1 (all data)	0.0203
c/Å	9.5551(17)	wR2 (all data)	0.0513
β/°	98.138(2)	g1 / g2	0.0285 / 1.3078
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	2108.0(6)	GoF	1.055
Z	4	Flack x parameter	0.018(4)
temperature / K	100(2)	peak/hole (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.487 / -0.347

## 7.5.15 [{(THF)<sub>2</sub>Li(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>S}<sub>2</sub>An] (12)



Except for the non-coordinated THF molecule no disorders are present. The side occupancy factors of the two THF positions refine to 60 % and 40 %.

**Table 7-15:** Crystallographic data for [{(THF)<sub>2</sub>Li(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>S}<sub>2</sub>An] (**12**).

structure code	Doppelmandy	F(000)	1060
formula	$C_{54}H_{92}Li_2N_4O_6S_2$	max. / min. Transmission	0.6059 / 0.7454
molecular mass / g⋅mol <sup>-1</sup>	971.32	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.115
crystal size / mm	$0.2\times0.15\times0.15$	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.140
crystal system	monoclinic	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	2.42 - 26.02
space group	P2(1)/n	reflections all/unique	31291 / 5681
a/Å	10.5726(17)	data/restraints/parameter	5681 / 104 / 341
b/Å	17.182(3)	R1 (all data)	0.0669
c/Å	16.000(3)	wR2 (all data)	0.1500
β / °	95.455(2)	g1 / g2	0.0761 / 1.4867
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	2893.5(8)	GoF	1.082
Z	2	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.501 / -0.521

## $7.5.16 [{(THF)_2Li(NSiMe_3)_2S}_2An] (13)$

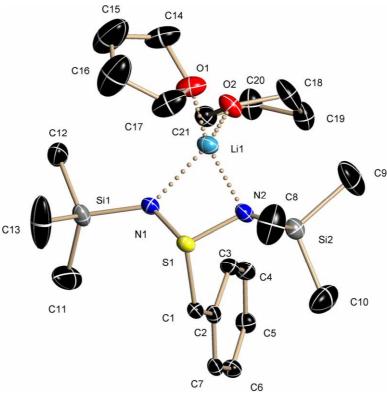
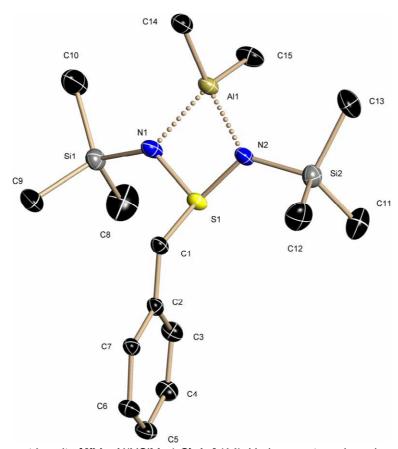


Figure 7-16: Asymmetric unit of [{(THF)<sub>2</sub>Li(NSiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>S}<sub>2</sub>An] (13). Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

**Table 7-16:** Crystallographic data for  $[{(THF)_2Li(NSiMe_3)_2S}_2An]$  (13).

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structure code	DoppelSiMandy	F(000)	964
formula	$C_{42}H_{76}Li_2N_4$ $O_4S_2Si_4$	max. / min. Transmission	0.6153 / 0.7452
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	891.43	$ ho_{\rm calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.139
crystal size / mm	$0.15\times0.1\times0.05$	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.235
crystal system	monoclinic	$\theta_{min}$ / $\theta_{max}$ °	1.64 - 25.39
space group	P2(1)/n	reflections all/unique	30165 / 4750
a/Å	13.5712(14)	data/restraints/parameter	4750 / 0 / 268
b/Å	10.7302(11)	R1 (all data)	0.0535
c/Å	18.6907(18)	wR2 (all data)	0.1088
β / °	107.339(2)	g1 / g2	0.0624 / 0.9514
V/Å <sup>3</sup>	2598.1(5)	GoF	1.040
Z	2	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.413 / -0.320

## $7.5.17 [\{Me_2Al(NSiMe_3)_2S\}_2An] (14)$

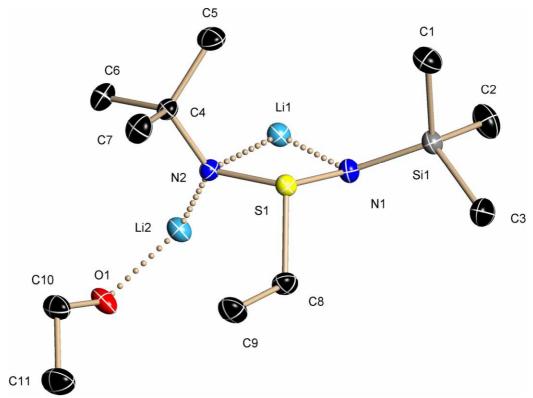


 $\textbf{Figure 7-17:} \ \, \text{Asymmetric unit of } [\{\text{Me}_2\text{Al}(\text{NSiMe}_3)_2\text{S}\}_2\text{An}] \ \, \textbf{(14)}. \ \, \text{Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity}.$ 

 $\textbf{Table 7-17: } Crystallographic data for \ [\{Me_2Al(NSiMe_3)_2S\}_2An] \ (\textbf{14}).$ 

structure code	DoppelSiAlana	F(000)	756
formula	$C_{30}H_{56}AI_2N_4S_2Si_4$	max. / min. Transmission	0.6438 / 0.7454
molecular mass / g⋅mol <sup>-1</sup>	703.23	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.137
crystal size / mm	$0.2\times0.15\times0.15$	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.314
crystal system	monoclinic	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	2.00 - 26.75
space group	P2(1)/n	reflections all/unique	48448 / 4353
a/Å	9.4066(9)	data/restraints/parameter	4353 / 0 / 198
b/Å	20.374(2)	R1 (all data)	0.0343
c/Å	11.5702(12)	wR2 (all data)	0.0746
β / °	95.455(2)	g1 / g2	0.0337 / 0.8553
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	2053.8(4)	GoF	1.099
Z	2	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.318 / -0.224

## 7.5.18 [( $Et_2O$ )<sub>0.5</sub>Li{( $N^tBu$ )(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)SEt]<sub>2</sub> (15)

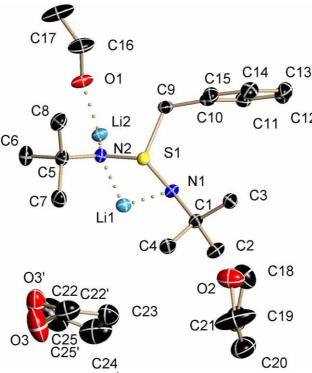


 $\textbf{Figure 7-18:} \ \, \text{Asymmetric unit of } \\ [(\text{Et}_2\text{O})_{0.5}\text{Li}((\text{N}^t\text{Bu})(\text{SiMe}_3)\text{SEt}]_2 \\ (\textbf{15}). \ \, \text{Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.} \\$ 

**Table 7-18:** Crystallographic data for  $[(Et_2O)_{0.5}Li\{(N^tBu)(SiMe_3)SEt]_2$  (15).

structure code	EtLiDiimid	F(000)	1160
formula	$C_{22}H_{56}Li_2N_4OS_2Si_2$	max. / min. Transmission	0.89 / 0.99
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	526.89	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.056
crystal size / mm	0.15 x 0.12 x 0.1	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.252
crystal system	monoclinic	$\theta_{min}$ / $\theta_{max}$ °	2.25 - 28.00
space group	C2/c	reflections all/unique	10502 / 3733
a/Å	16.3989(12)	data/restraints/parameter	3733 / 0 / 159
b/Å	12.3531(9)	R1 (all data)	0.0346
c/Å	17.0170(12)	wR2 (all data)	0.0779
β / °	106.0020(10)	g1 / g2	0.0327 / 3.6134
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	3313.7(4)	GoF	1.038
Z	4	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.390 / -0.255

## 7.5.19 [(THF)<sub>0.5</sub>Li $\{(N^tBu)_2SBz\}_2$ (16)



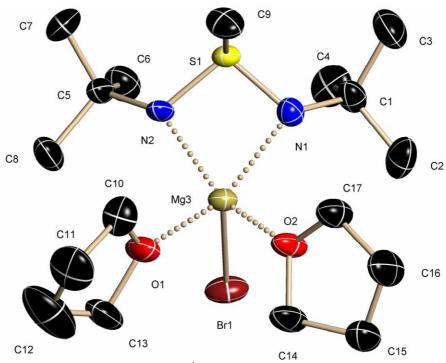
**Figure 7-19:** Asymmetric unit of [(THF)<sub>0.5</sub>Li{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SBz]<sub>2</sub> (**16**). Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

In the solid state structure of **16** two carbon atoms and the oxygen atom of one of the two non-coordinated THF molecules are disordered. The side occupancy factors refine to 50 %. DFIX, ISOR, EADP and EXYZ commands were used to stabilize the disorder.

**Table 7-19:** Crystallographic data for [(THF)<sub>0.5</sub>Li{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SBz]<sub>2</sub> (**16**).

structure code	BzLi	F(000)	1984
formula	$C_{50}H_{90}Li_2N_4O_5S_2$	max. / min. Transmission	0.88 / 0.99
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	905.26	$ ho_{\rm calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.115
crystal size / mm	0.2 x 0.15 x 0.15	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.144
crystal system	monoclinic	$\theta_{min}$ / $\theta_{max}$ °	2.18 - 25.37
space group	C2/c	reflections all/unique	35720 / 4948
a/Å	16.3216(10)	data/restraints/parameter	4948 / 16 / 299
b/Å	12.2763(8)	R1 (all data)	0.0649
c/Å	26.9940(17)	wR2 (all data)	0.1105
β / °	94.0910(10)	g1 / g2	0.0435 / 7.2428
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	5395.0(6)	GoF	1.027
Z	4	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.385 / -0.251

#### $7.5.20 [(THF)_2MgBr{(N^tBu)_2SMe] (17)}$



**Figure 7-20:** Asymmetric unit of [(THF)<sub>2</sub>MgBr{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>SMe] (17). Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

The data had to be recorded at 170 K since the presence of polymorph transitions prohibited cooling to 100 K. The crystals of **17** were non-merohedrally twinned. The orientation matrices of the additional component and the initial cell were determined using CELL\_NOW. Those matrices were then used for integrating the domains separately with SAINT. Subsequent absorption correction with TWINABS lead to a HKLF4 file for structure solution and a HKLF5 file for further refinement. The occupancy factor of the additional domain refined to 50 %.

<b>Table 7-20:</b>	Crystallographic data	for $[(THF)_2MgBr\{(N^tBu)_2SMe](17)$ .
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structure code	MeDiimid	F(000)	464
formula	$C_{17}H_{37}SN_2MgBrO_2$	max. / min. Transmission	0.295741 /
flack x	0.0818(85)		0.429318
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	437.77	$ ho_{\rm calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.284
crystal size / mm	$0.15\times0.1\times0.05$	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	1.946
crystal system	monoclinic	$\theta_{min}$ / $\theta_{max}$ °	2.24 - 26.04
space group	Pc	reflections all/unique	20492 / 4439
a/Å	9.763(4)	data/restraints/parameter	4439 / 42 / 225
b/Å	16.860(3)	R1 (all data)	0.0416
c/Å	7.371(2)	wR2 (all data)	0.0977
β/°	111.02(2)	g1 / g2	0.0578 / 0.7348
V/Å <sup>3</sup>	1132.5(6)	GoF	1.046
Z	2	Flack x parameter:	0.0818(85)
temperature / K	170(2)	Peak / hole / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.69/-0.40

# 7.5.21 [(THF)<sub>2</sub>MgCl{(N $^{t}$ Bu)<sub>2</sub>S $^{n}$ Bu] (18)

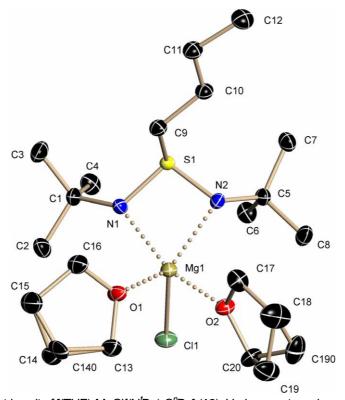


Figure 7-21: Asymmetric unit of  $[(THF)_2MgCl\{(N^tBu)_2S^nBu]$  (18). Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

In **18** one carbon atom of each THF molecule is disordered. The side occupancy factors refine to 90 % for C14 and 60 % for C19. SIMU and DELU restraints were used to stabilize the disorder.

**Table 7-21:** Crystallographic data for [(THF)<sub>2</sub>MgCl{(N<sup>f</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>S<sup>n</sup>Bu] (**18**).

structure code	nBuDiimid	F(000)	952
formula	$C_{20}H_{43}CIMgN_2O_2S$	max. / min. Transmission	0.7098 / 0.7454
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	435.38	$ ho_{\rm calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.162
crystal size / mm	$0.15\times0.08\times0.08$	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.279
crystal system	monoclinic	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	2.07 - 26.37
space group	P2(1)/c	reflections all/unique	44906 / 5064
a/Å	7.3202(8)	data/restraints/parameter	5064 / 40 / 271
b/Å	32.936(4)	R1 (all data)	0.0349
c/Å	10.3840(11)	wR2 (all data)	0.0783
β / °	96.4210(10)	g1 / g2	0.0309 / 1.4478
V/Å <sup>3</sup>	2487.9(5)	GoF	1.093
Z	4	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.311 / -0.346

## 7.5.22 [(THF)MgBr( $N^t$ Bu)<sub>3</sub>SMe]<sub>2</sub> (22)

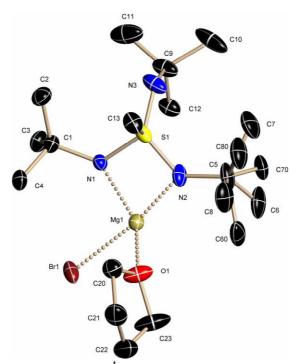


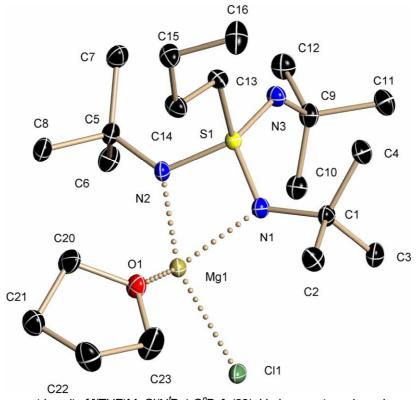
Figure 7-22: Asymmetric unit of [(THF)MgBr(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SMe]<sub>2</sub> (22). Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

In **22** one *tert*-butyl group is disordered. The side occupancy factor for the second position refines to 40 %.

Table 7-22: Crystallographic data for [(THF)MgBr(N'Bu) <sub>3</sub> SMe] <sub>2</sub> (22
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structure code	MeTriimid	F(000)	1856
formula	$C_{17}H_{38}BrMgN_3OS$	max. / min. Transmission	0.3617 / 0.4288
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	436.78	$ ho_{\rm calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.319
crystal size / mm	0.2 x 0.2 x 0.05	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	2.002
crystal system	orthorhombic	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	2.74 - 25.41
space group	Pbca	reflections all/unique	33816 / 4044
a/Å	13.422(3)	data/restraints/parameter	4044 / 0 / 258
b/Å	14.870(3)	R1 (all data)	0.0376
c/Å	22.040(5)	wR2 (all data)	0.0743
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	4398.8(17)	g1 / g2	0.0322 / 4.3500
Z	8	GoF	1.055
temperature / K	100(2)	peak / hole / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.661 / -0.858

## 7.5.23 [(THF)MgCl(N $^{t}$ Bu)<sub>3</sub>S $^{n}$ Bu]<sub>2</sub> (23)



**Figure 7-23:** Asymmetric unit of [(THF)MgCl(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>S<sup>n</sup>Bu]<sub>2</sub> (23). Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

The crystals of 23 were non-merohedrally twinned. The orientation matrices of the additional component and the initial cell were determined using CELL\_NOW. Those matrices were then used for integrating the domains separately with SAINT. Subsequent absorption correction with TWINABS lead to a HKLF4 file for structure solution and a HKLF5 file for further refinement. The occupancy factor of the additional domain refined to 15 %.

**Table 7-23:** Crystallographic data for [(THF)MgCl(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>S<sup>n</sup>Bu]<sub>2</sub>(23).

structure code	nBuTriimid	temperature / K	100(2)
formula	$C_{40}H_{88}CI_2Mg_2$ $N_6O_2S_2$	max. / min. Transmission	0.487689 / 0.745214
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	868.80	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.174
crystal size / mm	$0.1\times0.05\times0.05$	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.280
crystal system	triclinic	F(000)	476
space group	P 1	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	2.29 - 25.43
a/Å	9.2280(11)	reflections all/unique	9031 / 4520
b/Å	9.3400(10)	data/restraints/parameter	4520 / 0 / 255
c/Å	15.3562(10)	R1 (all data)	0.0571
α/°	80.931(2)	wR2 (all data)	0.1309
β/°	76.870(2)	g1 / g2	0.0849 / 0.7776
γ/°	73.427(2)	GoF	1.026
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	1229.0(2)	peak/hole:	
Z	1	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.516 / -0.680

# 7.5.24 [(THF)MgCl(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SPh]<sub>2</sub> (24)

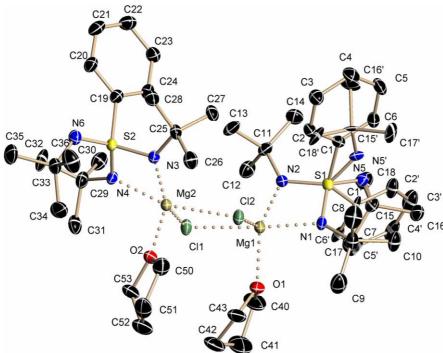


Figure 7-24: Asymmetric unit of [(THF)MgCl(N<sup>f</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SPh]<sub>2</sub> (24). Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

In **24** the positions of the non-coordinating N<sup>t</sup>Bu group and the phenyl substituent are disordered. The side occupancy factor for the smaller domain is 10 %. The crystalline samples were racemic twins. The occupancy of the second domain refined to 50 %. Therefore the *Flack* x parameter could not be determined.

**Table 7-24:** Crystallographic data for [(THF)MgCl(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SPh]<sub>2</sub> (**24**).

structure code	PhTriimid	F(000)	1968
formula	$\begin{array}{l} C_{44}H_{80}CI_2Mg_2 \\ N_6O_2S_2 \end{array}$	max. / min. Transmission	0.6489 / 0.7452
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	908.78	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.197
crystal size / mm	0.15 x 0.1 x 0.05	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.277
crystal system	orthorhombic	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	1.44 - 25.38
space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub>	reflections all/unique	35965 / 9233
a/Å	11.1266(8)	data/restraints/parameter	9233 / 66 / 633
b/Å	16.3889(13)	R1 (all data)	0.0472
c/Å	27.660(2)	wR2 (all data)	0.0792
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	5043.9(7)	g1 / g2	0.08022 / 0.8886
Z	4	GoF	1.026
temperature / K	100(2)	peak / hole / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.272 / -0.271

#### 7.5.25 [(THF)MgCl(N'Bu)<sub>3</sub>SBz]<sub>2</sub> (25)

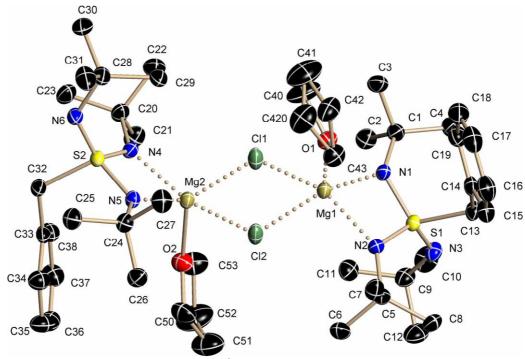


Figure 7-25: Asymmetric unit of [(THF)MgCl(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SBz]<sub>2</sub> (25). Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

In 25 one carbon atom of one THF molecule is disordered. The side occupancy factors refine to  $35\ \%$  for C42 and  $65\ \%$  for C420.

**Table 7-25:** Crystallographic data for [(THF)MgCl(N<sup>f</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SBz]<sub>2</sub> (25).

structure code	BzTriimid	temperature / K	170(2)
formula	$C_{46}H_{84}CI_2Mg_2$ $N_6O_2S_2$	max. / min. Transmission	0.5058 / 0.8999
molecular mass / g⋅mol <sup>-1</sup>	936.83	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.198
crystal size / mm	$0.35\times0.2\times0.15$	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.271
crystal system	triclinic	F(000)	1016
space group	P 1	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	1.69 - 26.02
a/Å	12.322(3)	reflections all/unique	26612 / 10222
b/Å	14.472(3)	data/restraints/parameter	10222 / 0 / 569
c/Å	15.409(3)	R1 (all data)	0.0713
α/°	75.81(3)	wR2 (all data)	0.1404
β / °	88.29(3)	g1 / g2	0.14133 / 0.3568
γ / °	77.26(3)	GoF	0.998
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	2597.6(9)	peak/hole:	
Z	2	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.617 / -0.663

## $7.5.26 [(Et_2O)MgBr(N^tBu)_3SMe]_2 (26)$

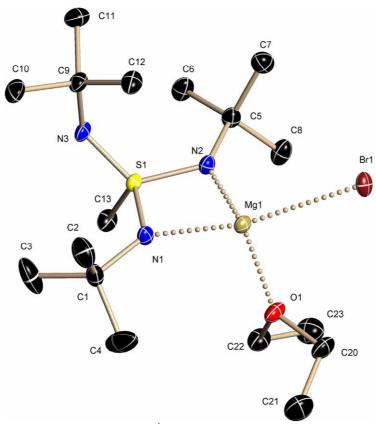


Figure 7-26: : Asymmetric unit of [(Et<sub>2</sub>O)MgBr(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SMe]<sub>2</sub> (26). Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

**Table 7-26:** Crystallographic data for [(Et<sub>2</sub>O)MgBr(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SMe]<sub>2</sub> (26).

structure code	EC2	F(000)	936
formula	$C_{34}H_{80}Br_2Mg_2$ $N_6O_2S_2$	max. / min. Transmission	0.2929/ 0.4288
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	877.60	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.302
crystal size / mm	0.1 x 0.1 x 0.05	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	1.967
crystal system	monoclinic	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	1.56 - 25.37
space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c	reflections all/unique	28441/ 4109
a/Å	13.8552(8)	data/restraints/parameter	4109/ 0 / 229
b/Å	15.5992(10)	R1 (all data)	0.0442
c/Å	10.9816(7)	wR2 (all data)	0.0960
β/°	109.3900(10)	g1 / g2	0.021 / 2.7084
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	2238.8(2)	GoF	1.077
Z	2	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.671 / -0.454

#### $7.5.27 \text{ Mg}\{(N^tBu)_3SMe\}_2\}$ (27)

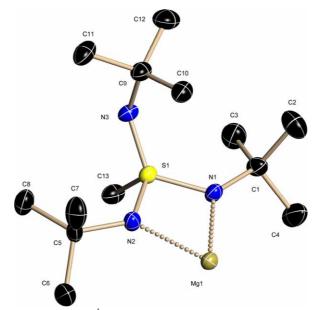


Figure 7-27: Asymmetric unit of  $Mg\{(N^tBu)_3SMe\}_2$ ] (27). Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

The crystals of **27** were non-merohedrally twinned. The orientation matrices of the additional component and the initial cell were determined using CELL\_NOW. Those matrices were then used for integrating the domains separately with SAINT. Subsequent absorption correction with TWINABS lead to a HKLF4 file for structure solution and a HKLF5 file for further refinement. The occupancy factor of the additional domain refined to 22 %.

**Table 7-27:** Crystallographic data for Mg{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SMe}<sub>2</sub>] (27).

structure code	TriimidMgTriimid	F(000)	1208
formula	$C_{26}H_{60}MgN_6S_2$	max. / min. Transmission	0.401068 / 0.745209
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	545.23	ρ <sub>calc</sub> / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.105
crystal size / mm	$0.1\times0.1\times0.05$	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.205
crystal system	monoclinic	$\theta_{min}$ / $\theta_{max}$ °	1.92 - 25.17
space group	C2/c	reflections all/unique	27048 / 5773
a/Å	26.111(5)	data/restraints/parameter	5773 / 40 / 170
b/Å	8.6226(16)	R1 (all data)	0.1011
c/Å	17.960(3)	wR2 (all data)	0.1842
β / °	125.825(11)	g1 / g2	0.0869 / 5.3837
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	3278.6(11)	GoF	1.029
Z	4	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.400 / -0.710

## 7.5.28 $[Zn{(N^tBu)_3SMe}_2]$ (28)

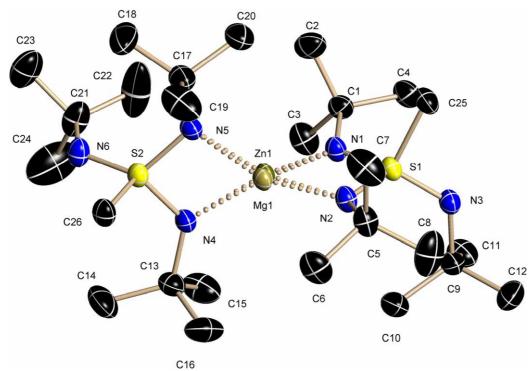


Figure 7-28: Asymmetric unit of [Zn{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SMe}<sub>2</sub>] (28). Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

In **28** the central zinc atom is disordered with a magnesium atom from the reagent. The site occupancy factor of the zinc atom is 75 %.

**Table 7-28:** Crystallographic data for [Zn{(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>SMe}<sub>2</sub>] (**28**).

		T	
structure code	P282	temperature / K	170(2)
formula	$C_{26}H_{60}Mg_{0.25}$ $N_6S_2Zn_{0.75}$	max. / min. Transmission	0.6739 / 0.7452
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	576.23	ρ <sub>calc</sub> / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.140
crystal size / mm	0.15 x 0.1 x 0.05	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.713
crystal system	triclinic	F(000)	631
space group	P 1	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	2.38 - 25.37
a/Å	9.987(2)	reflections all/unique	17462 / 6144
b/Å	11.321(3)	data/restraints/parameter	6144 / 43 / 340
c/Å	15.186(4)	R1 (all data)	0.0570
α/°	84.245(5)	wR2 (all data)	0.0856
β/°	87.695(6)	g1 / g2	0.0389 / 0.3290
γ/°	79.297(5)	GoF	1.021
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	1678.2(7)	peak/hole:	
Z	2	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.227 / -0.332

## $7.5.29 [(THF)_2MgBr_3ZnMe]_2$

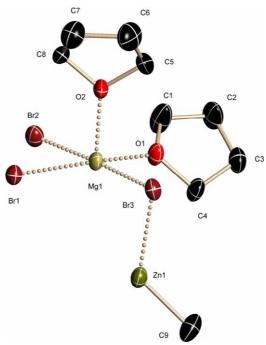


Figure 7-29: Asymmetric unit of [(THF)<sub>2</sub>MgBr<sub>3</sub>ZnMe]<sub>2</sub>. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

**Table 7-29:** Crystallographic data for [(THF)<sub>2</sub>MgBr<sub>3</sub>ZnMe]<sub>2</sub>.

_		T	
structure code	P289	temperature / K	100(2)
formula	$C_{18}H_{38}Br_6$	max. / min. Transmission	0.3057 / 0.4299
	$Mg_2O_4Zn_2$		
molecular mass / g⋅mol <sup>-1</sup>	977.30	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	2.075
crystal size / mm	0.2 x 0.15 x 0.1	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	9.260
crystal system	triclinic	F(000)	472
space group	P 1	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	2.17 - 26.37
a/Å	8.842(1)	reflections all/unique	19213 / 3177
b/Å	10.246(2)	data/restraints/parameter	3177 / 0 / 146
c/Å	10.437(2)	R1 (all data)	0.0346
α/°	103.664(3)	wR2 (all data)	0.0759
β/°	104.098(3)	g1 / g2	0.0334 / 2.2160
γ/°	113.235(2)	GoF	1.052
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	782.0(2)	peak/hole:	
Z	1	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.739 / -0.631

## $7.5.30 \ [Cu_3S(N^tBu_3)_2Cu_2(N^tBu)_2Cu]$

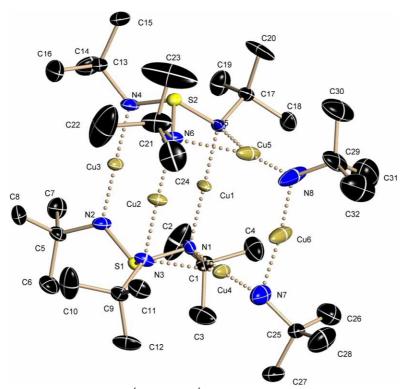


Figure 7-30: Asymmetric unit of [Cu<sub>3</sub>S(N<sup>t</sup>Bu<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cu<sub>2</sub>(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>Cu]. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Due to the poor quality of the crystals the figures of merit and especially the residual density of this dataset are not good enough for a discussion of the bond length.

**Table 7-30:** Crystallographic data for [Cu<sub>3</sub>S(N<sup>t</sup>Bu<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cu<sub>2</sub>(N<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>2</sub>Cu].

		T	
structure code	P271	temperature / K	100(2)
formula	$C_{32}H_{72}Cu_6N_8S_2$	max. / min. Transmission	not determined
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	1014.34	$ ho_{\rm calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.533
crystal size / mm	0.15 x 0.15 x 0.1	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	2.978
crystal system	triclinic	F(000)	1052
space group	P 1	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	1.86 - 25.47
a/Å	11.737(3)	reflections all/unique	48587 / 8124
b/Å	13.932(5)	data/restraints/parameter	8124 / 43 / 457
c/Å	14.484(4)	R1 (all data)	0.0962
α/°	94.499(6)	wR2 (all data)	0.1954
β / °	93.836(8)	g1 / g2	0.1045 / 16.7661
γ/°	110.723(5)	GoF	1.044
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	2196.9(11)	peak/hole:	
Z	2	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	3.586 / -2.563

## 7.5.31 [CpTiCl<sub>2</sub>NH<sup>t</sup>Bu]

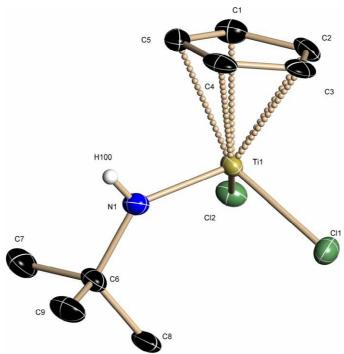


Figure 7-31: Asymmetric unit of [CpTiCl<sub>2</sub>NH<sup>t</sup>Bu]. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

**Table 7-31:** Crystallographic data for [CpTiCl₂NH<sup>t</sup>Bu].

structure code	EC7	temperature / K	100(2)
formula	$C_{18}H_{30}CI_4N_2Ti_2$	max. / min. Transmission	0.576168 / 0.745203
molecular mass / g⋅mol <sup>-1</sup>	512.04	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.482
crystal size / mm	0.15 x 0.15 x 0.05	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	1.167
crystal system	triclinic	F(000)	264
space group	P 1	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	1.90 - 25.30
a/Å	6.084(2)	reflections all/unique	9302 / 2046
b/Å	8.948(2)	data/restraints/parameter	2046 / 0 / 126
c/Å	10.726(4)	R1 (all data)	0.0620
α/°	89.342(4)	wR2 (all data)	0.1439
β/°	87.828(13)	g1 / g2	0.0984 / 0.00
γ/°	79.526(12)	GoF	1.035
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	573.8(3)	peak/hole:	
Z	2	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.739 / -0.631

#### 7.6 Crystallographic Cooperations

During this doctoral study various molecular structures have been determined by X-ray crystallography as part of the cooperation with other groups. The cooperations with different members of the groups of Prof. Dr. *Roesky* and Prof. Dr. *Stalke* lead to seven already printed publications<sup>[228-234]</sup> and four additional publications that are submitted or already accepted. Crystallographic informations for all published structures are shown in this chapter. All other information can be found in the publications.

#### 7.6.1 Structures measured for the working group of Prof. Stalke

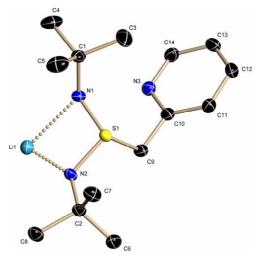


Figure 7-32: Asymmetric unit of EMPic. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Table 7-32: Crystallographic data for EMPic.

		I	=
structure code	EMPic	F(000)	1184
formula	$C_{28}H_{48}Li_2N_6S_2$	max. / min. Transmission	0.6122 / 0.7454
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	546.73	$ ho_{\rm calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.159
crystal size / mm	0.2 x 0.2 x 0.2	temperature / K	100(2)
crystal system	monoclinic	$\theta_{min}$ / $\theta_{max}$ °	2.26 - 26.75
space group	C2/c	reflections all/unique	69271 / 3603
a/Å	9.883(3)	data/restraints/parameter	3603 / 0 / 179
b/Å	18.001(5)	R1 (all data)	0.0492
c/Å	17.611(5)	wR2 (all data)	0.1033
β/°	91.175(4)	g1 / g2	0.0333 / 3.255
V/Å <sup>3</sup>	3132.4(16)	GoF	1.179
Z	4	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.453 / -0.371

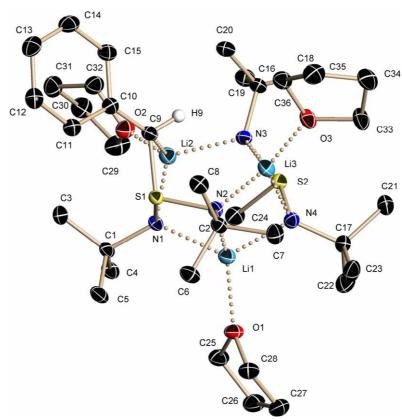
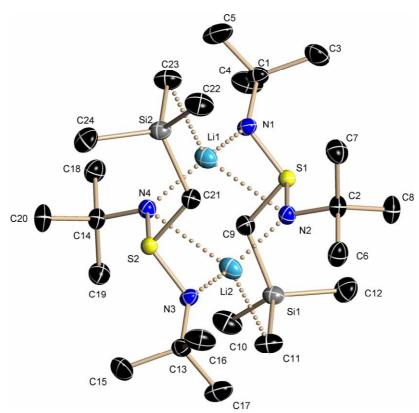


Figure 7-33: Asymmetric unit of EMYlid. Calculated hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

 Table 7-33: Crystallographic data for EMYlid.

structure code	EMYlid	F(000)	3024
formula	$C_{36}H_{69}Li_{3}N_{4}O_{3}S_{2} \\$	max. / min. Transmission	0.6763 / 0.7454
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	690.89	ρ <sub>calc</sub> / Mg⋅m <sup>-3</sup>	1.110
crystal size / mm	0.2 x 0.2 x 0.15	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.165
crystal system	monoclinic	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	2.26 - 26.66
space group	C2/c	reflections all/unique	58843 / 7712
a/Å	15.284(3)	data/restraints/parameter	7712 / 0 / 450
b/Å	17.129(3)	R1 (all data)	0.0395
c/Å	31.676(5)	wR2 (all data)	0.0866
β/°	94.386(2)	g1 / g2	0.0384 / 7.278
V/Å <sup>3</sup>	8268(2)	GoF	1.044
Z	8	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.282 / -0.279



**Figure 7-34:** Asymmetric unit of EMTMS. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

 Table 7-34: Crystallographic data for EMTMS.

		T	
structure code	EMTMS	F(000)	1184
formula	$C_{24}H_{58}Li_2N_4S_2Si_2$	max. / min. Transmission	0.6321 / 0.7457
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	536.92	$ ho_{\rm calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.053
crystal size / mm	0.2 x 0.2 x 0.15	μ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.246
crystal system	monoclinic	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	1.56 - 26.73
space group	P2(1)/n	reflections all/unique	76006 / 6051
a/Å	9.6576(10)	data/restraints/parameter	6051 / 0 / 347
b/Å	16.7227(17)	R1 (all data)	0.0410
c/Å	21.316(2)	wR2 (all data)	0.0911
β/°	100.350	g1 / g2	0.0489 / 0.8694
V/Å <sup>3</sup>	3386.5(6)	GoF	1.071
Z	4	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.471 / -0.287

#### 7.6.2 Structures measured for the working group of Prof. Roesky

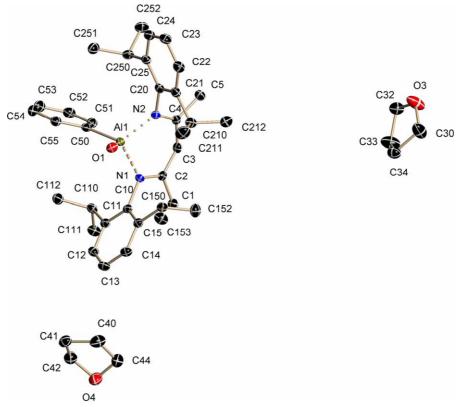


Figure 7-35: Asymmetric unit of YY411. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

**Table 7-35:** Crystallographic data for YY411.

structure code	YY411	temperature / K	100(2)
formula	$C_{43}H_{63}AIN_2O_3$	max. / min. Transmission	0.99 / 0.898520
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	682.93	$ ho_{\rm calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.165
crystal size / mm	$0.4\times0.2\times0.2$	μ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.092
crystal system	triclinic	F(000)	744
space group	P 1	$\theta_{min}$ / $\theta_{max}^{\circ}$	2.75 / 25.08
a/Å	9.0526(10)	reflections all/unique	36861 / 6895
b/Å	12.0803(14)	data/restraints/parameter	6895 / 0 / 444
c/Å	18.727(2)	R1 (all data)	0.0427
α/°	73.6670(10)	wR2 (all data)	0.1073
β / °	82.3990(10)	g1 / g2	0.0544 / 1.0481
γ/°	86.1870(10)	GoF	1.047
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	1947.1(4)	peak/hole:	
Z	2	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.478 / -0.410

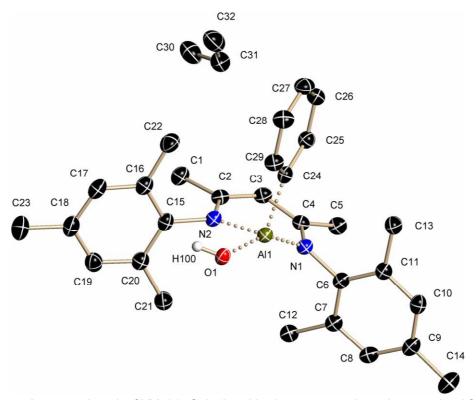


Figure 7-36: Asymmetric unit of YY491. Calculated hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

**Table 7-36:** Crystallographic data for YY491.

			1
structure code	YY491	temperature / K	100(2)
formula	$C_{32}H_{38}AIN_2O$	max. / min. Transmission	0.99 / 0.786432
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	493.62	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.200
crystal size / mm	$0.1\times0.1\times0.05$	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.101
crystal system	triclinic	F(000)	530
space group	P 1	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	1.78 / 26.40
a/Å	11.4187(11)	reflections all/unique	25588 / 5606
b/Å	11.5317(11)	data/restraints/parameter	5606 / 1 / 336
c/Å	12.1602(11)	R1 (all data)	0.0571
α/°	93.6510(10)	wR2 (all data)	0.1041
β/°	106.2490(10)	g1 / g2	0.0428 / 0.7135
γ/°	114.6840(10)	GoF	1.043
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	1366.5(2)	peak/hole:	
Z	2	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.286 / -0.292

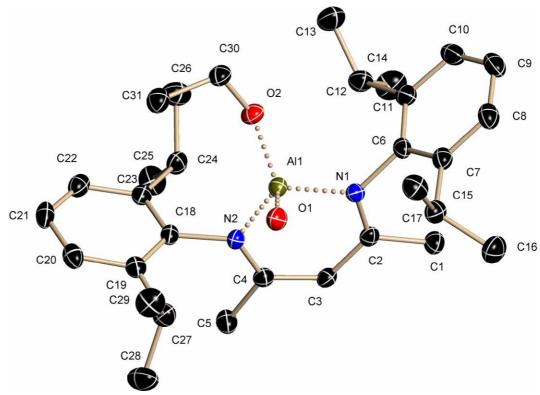


Figure 7-37: Asymmetric unit of YY491. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

**Table 7-37:** Crystallographic data for YY540.

structure code	YY540	F(000)	1104
formula	$C_{31}H_{47}AIN_2O_2$	max. / min. Transmission	0.99 / 0.837852
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	580.25	ρ <sub>calc</sub> / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.134
crystal size / mm	0.25 x 0.1 x 0.05	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.097
crystal system	monoclinic	$\theta_{min}$ / $\theta_{max}^{\circ}$	2.34 / 25.59
space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c	reflections all/unique	20156 / 5557
a/Å	16.954(2)	data/restraints/parameter	5557 / 1 / 339
b/Å	10.0454(15)	R1 (all data)	0.0542
c/Å	17.892(3)	wR2 (all data)	0.0982
β/°	103.031(2)	g1 / g2	0.0439 / 1.3951
V/Å <sup>3</sup>	2968.7(7)	GoF	1.020
Z	4	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.317 / -0.268

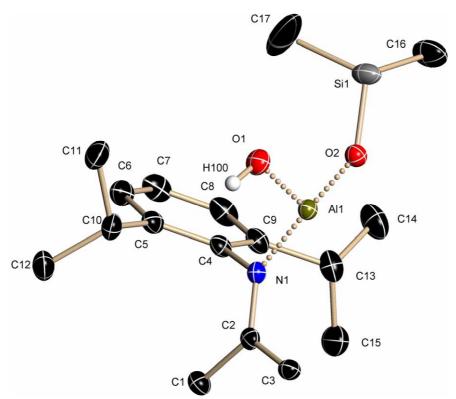


Figure 7-38: Asymmetric unit of YY546. Calculated hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

 Table 7-38: Crystallographic data for YY546.

		T .	
structure code	YY546	F(000)	600
formula	$C_{32}H_{51}AIN_2O_2Si$	max. / min. Transmission	0.99 / 0.859584
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	550.82	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.110
crystal size / mm	0.15 x 0.1 x 0.05	μ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.127
crystal system	monoclinic	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	2.05 / 26.40
space group	P2₁/m	reflections all/unique	20758 / 3468
a/Å	8.8703(10)	data/restraints/parameter	3468 / 1 / 194
b/Å	19.895(2)	R1 (all data)	0.0509
c/Å	10.2310(11)	wR2 (all data)	0.1066
β/°	114.0800(10)	g1 / g2	0.0441 / 1.2159
V/Å <sup>3</sup>	1648.4(3)	GoF	1.031
Z	2	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.613 / -0.541

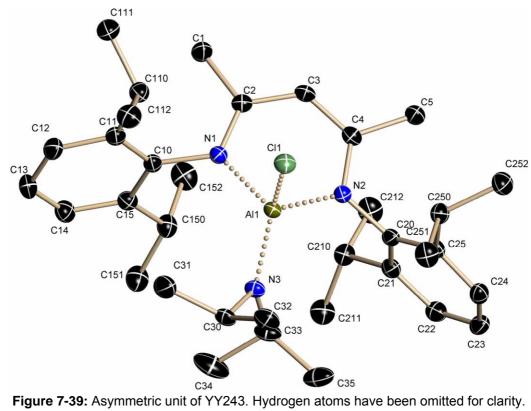
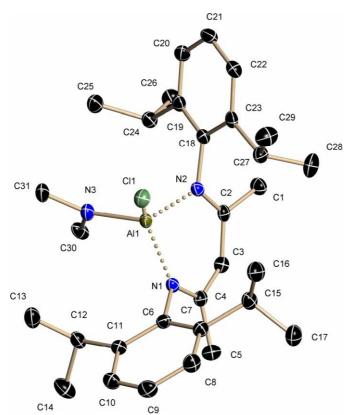


 Table 7-39: Crystallographic data for YY243.

			1
structure code	YY243	F(000)	1264
formula	$C_{35}H_{55}AICIN_3$	max. / min. Transmission	0.99 / 0.894196
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	580.25	$ ho_{\rm calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.136
crystal size / mm	0.25 x 0.2 x 0.1	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.165
crystal system	monoclinic	$\theta_{min}$ / $\theta_{max}$ °	2.64 / 25.21
space group	P2₁/n	reflections all/unique	38060 / 6089
a/Å	10.0276(8)	data/restraints/parameter	6089 / 0 / 375
b/Å	20.3125(16)	R1 (all data)	0.0379
c/Å	16.7958(13)	wR2 (all data)	0.0918
β/°	97.4050(10)°	g1 / g2	0.0472 / 1.4306
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	3392.5(5)	GoF	1.039
Z	4	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.286 / -0.282



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Figure 7-40: Asymmetric unit of YY470. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

**Table 7-40:** Crystallographic data for YY470.

structure code	YY470	temperature / K	100(2)
formula	$C_{31}H_{47}AICIN_3$	max. / min. Transmission	0.99 / 0.731553
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	524.15	$ ho_{\rm calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.168
crystal size / mm	$0.2\times0.1\times0.05$	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.181
crystal system	triclinic	F(000)	568
space group	P 1	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	1.69 / 26.41
a/Å	10.5043(8)	reflections all/unique	27557/ 6084
b/Å	12.3521(10)	data/restraints/parameter	6084 / 0 / 337
c/Å	13.4442(11)	R1 (all data)	0.0502
α/°	66.4120(10)	wR2 (all data)	0.1098
β / °	72.1260(10)	g1 / g2	0.0588 / 0.7810
γ / °	72.6120(10)	GoF	1.034
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	1490.2(2)	peak/hole:	
Z	2	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.503 / -0.289

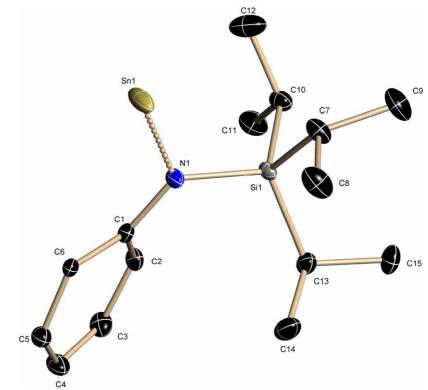


Figure 7-41: Asymmetric unit of VJSn. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

 Table 7-41: Crystallographic data for VJSn.

structure code	VJSn	F(000)	1232
formula	$C_{28}H_{48}N_2Si_2Sn$	max. / min. Transmission	0.99 / 0.903898
molecular mass / g⋅mol <sup>-1</sup>	587.55	ρ <sub>calc</sub> / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.334
crystal size / mm	0.08 x 0.06 x 0.06	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.974
crystal system	monoclinic	$\theta_{\text{min}}$ / $\theta_{\text{max}}$ °	1.93 / 26.38
space group	C2/c	reflections all/unique	15793 / 2987
a/Å	21.503(2)	data/restraints/parameter	2987 / 0 / 157
b/Å	9.709(1)	R1 (all data)	0.0340
c/Å	14.291(1)	wR2 (all data)	0.0880
β/°	101.30(1)	g1 / g2	0.0379 / 13.2342
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	2925.6(5)	GoF	1.095
Z	4	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.550 / -0.691

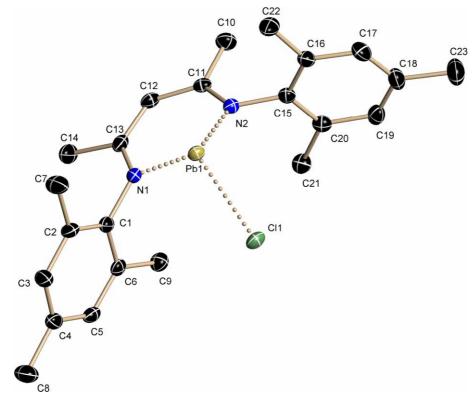


Figure 7-42: Asymmetric unit of VJPb. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Due to racemic twinning the *Flack* x parameter could not be determined.

Table 7-42: Crystallographic data for VJPb.

structure code	VJPb	F(000)	1120
formula	C <sub>23</sub> H <sub>29</sub> CIN <sub>2</sub> Pb	max. / min. Transmission	0.99 / 0.703598
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	576.12	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.691
crystal size / mm	0.2 x 0.2 x 0.04	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	7.582
crystal system	orthorhombic	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	1.95 / 26.41
space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub>	reflections all/unique	36538 / 2631
a/Å	10.1323(9)	data/restraints/parameter	2631 / 0 / 253
b/Å	13.3856(11)	R1 (all data)	0.0128
c/Å	16.6880(14)	wR2 (all data)	0.0288
V/Å <sup>3</sup>	2263.3(3)	g1 / g2	0.0068 / 1.1391
Z	4	GoF	1.102
temperature / K	100(2)	peak / hole / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.507 / -0.312

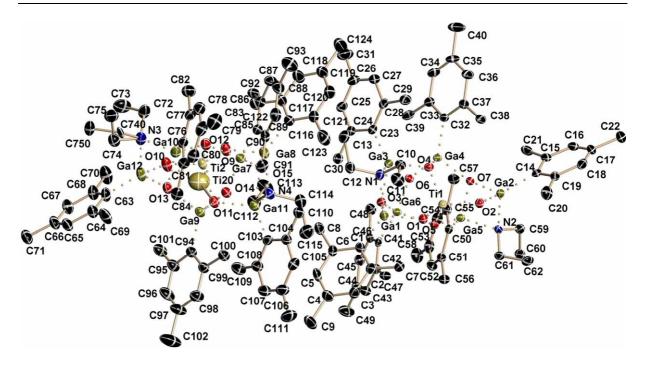


Figure 7-43: Asymmetric unit of NikiGaTi. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Table 7-43: Crystallographic data for NikiGaTi.

structure code	NikiGaTi	temperature / K	100(2)
formula	$C_{62}H_{86}Ga_6N_2O_7Ti$	max. / min. Transmission	0.88927 / 0.99
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	1437.55	$ ho_{\rm calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.492
crystal size / mm	$0.1\times0.05\times0.02$	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	2.656
crystal system	triclinic	F(000)	2944
space group	P 1	$\theta_{min}$ / $\theta_{max}$ °	1.45 - 25.41
a/Å	12.9331(12)	reflections all/unique	107236 / 23474
b/Å	1453.24(14)	data/restraints/parameter	23474 / 15 / 1474
c/Å	35.544(3)	R1 (all data)	0.0745
α/°	81.7410(10)	wR2 (all data)	0.0916
β/°	81.7230(10)	g1 / g2	0.0321 / 9.3184
γ/°	77.0610(10)	GoF	1.021
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	6399.9(10)	peak/hole:	
Z	4	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.615 / -0.712

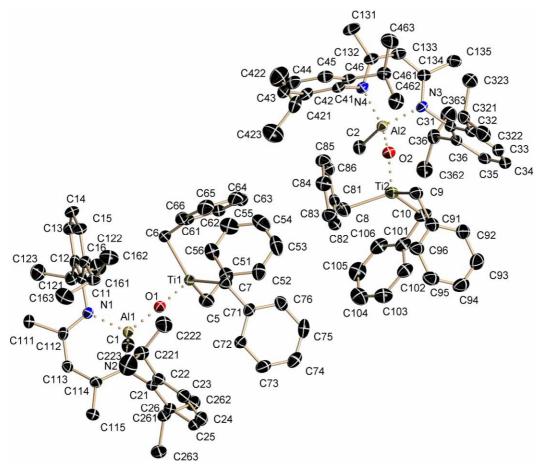


Figure 7-44: Asymmetric unit of NikiTi. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Table 7-44: Crystallographic data for NikiTi.

structure code	NikiTi	F(000)	3424
formula	$C_{51}H_{65}AIN_2OTi$	max. / min. Transmission	0.58 / 0.99
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	796.93	$ ho_{\rm calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.165
crystal size / mm	0.15 x 0.12 x 0.1	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.245
crystal system	monoclinic	$\theta_{min}$ / $\theta_{max}$ °	2.25 - 25.26
space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c	reflections all/unique	77407 / 18557
a/Å	18.312(4)	data/restraints/parameter	18557 / 0 / 1031
b/Å	23.545(5)	R1 (all data)	0.0338
c/Å	21.309(4)	wR2 (all data)	0.1082
β / °	98.56(3)	g1 / g2	0.0903 / -
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	9085(3)	GoF	1.037
Z	8	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.60 / -0.42

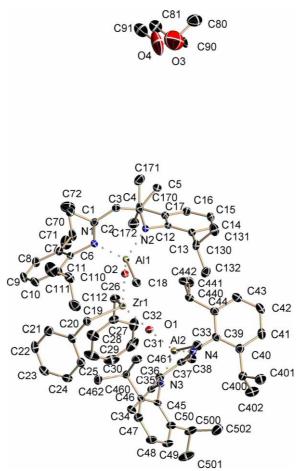


Figure 7-45: Asymmetric unit of NikiZr. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Table 7-45: Crystallographic data for NikiZr.

structure code	NikiZr	temperature / K	100(2)
formula	$C_{76}H_{107}Al_2N_4O_3Zr$	max. / min. Transmission	0.815451 / 0.99
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	1269.84	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.178
crystal size / mm	$0.4\times0.2\times0.05$	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.226
crystal system	triclinic	F(000)	1362
space group	<i>P</i>	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	1.91 - 25.05
a/Å	12.2881(9)	reflections all/unique	37690 / 10735
b/Å	17.1318(13)	data/restraints/parameter	10735 / 42 / 827
c/Å	19.858(2)	R1 (all data)	0.0459
α/°	111.6850(10)	wR2 (all data)	0.0962
β/°	93.8700(10)	g1 / g2	0.0468 / 2.3104
γ/°	109.3090(10)	GoF	1.059
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	3579.3(5)	peak/hole:	
Z	2	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.773 / -0.412

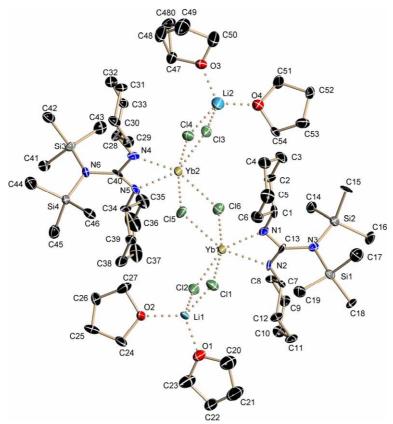


Figure 7-46: Asymmetric unit of ZhangYb. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

 Table 7-46: Crystallographic data for ZhangYb.

		T	
structure code	ZhangYb	temperature / K	100(2)
formula	$C_{54}H_{112}CI_{6}Li_{2}N_{6}$ $O_{4}Si_{4}Yb_{2}$	max. / min. Transmission	0.99 / 0.626027
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	1594.52	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.447
crystal size / mm	$0.2\times0.2\times0.1$	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	2.867
crystal system	triclinic	F(000)	814
space group	<i>P</i>	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	1.67 / 27.10
a/Å	10.759(3)	reflections all/unique	43553 / 8057
b/Å	12.652(4)	data/restraints/parameter	8057 / 0 / 377
c/Å	14.657(4)	R1 (all data)	0.0168
α/°	77.330(3)	wR2 (all data)	0.0419
β / °	71.772(3)	g1 / g2	0.0202 / 1.0512
γ/°	78.326(3)	GoF	1.054
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	1829.5(9)	peak/hole:	
Z	1	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	1.368 / -0.658

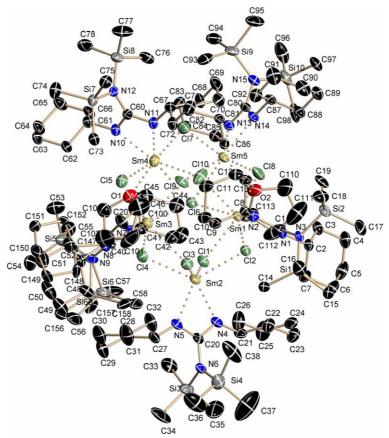


Figure 7-47: Asymmetric unit of ZhangSm. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Table 7-47: Crystallographic data for ZhangSm.

structure code	ZhangSm	temperature / K	100(2)
formula	$C_{103}H_{216}CI_{10}N_{15}$ $O_2Si_{10}Sm_5$	max. / min. Transmission	0.4291 / 0.3537
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	3084.06	ρ <sub>calc</sub> / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.417
crystal size / mm	$0.2\times0.1\times0.1$	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	2.313
crystal system	triclinic	F(000)	3150
space group	P 1	$\theta_{min}$ / $\theta_{max}$ °	2.01 / 25.74
a/Å	17.5764(19)	reflections all/unique	144891 / 27482
b/Å	19.361(2)	data/restraints/parameter	27482 / 76 / 1441
c/Å	24.774(3)	R1 (all data)	0.0463
α/°	74.5700(10)	wR2 (all data)	0.0765
β/°	70.6270(10))	g1 / g2	0.0411 / 0.00
γ/°	66.9270(10)	GoF	0.925
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	7226.3(13)	peak/hole:	
Z	2	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.937 / -1.034

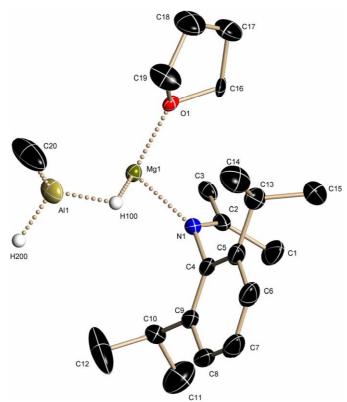


Figure 7-48: Asymmetric unit of S135. Calculated hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

 Table 7-48: Crystallographic data for S135.

structure code	S135	F(000)	1224
formula	C <sub>34</sub> H <sub>55</sub> AlMgN <sub>2</sub> O	max. / min. Transmission	0.7035 / 0.7452
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	559.09	$ ho_{\rm calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.083
crystal size / mm	0.15 x 0.1 x 0.1	$\mu / \text{mm}^{-1}$	0.104
crystal system	orthorhombic	$\theta_{\min} / \theta_{\max}$ °	2.27 - 25.05
space group	Pbcm	reflections all/unique	46148 / 2701
a/Å	9.795(2)	data/restraints/parameter	2701 / 15 / 209
b/Å	17.905(4)	R1 (all data)	0.0699
c/Å	19.544(5)	wR2 (all data)	0.1713
V/Å <sup>3</sup>	3427.7(14)	g1 / g2	0.0927 / 3.1336
Z	4	GoF	1.072
temperature / K	100(2)	peak / hole / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.563 / -0.530

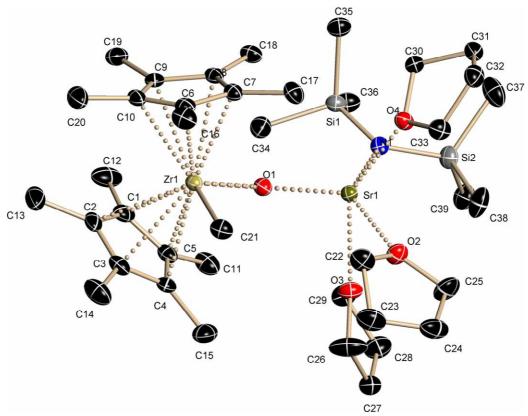


Figure 7-49: Asymmetric unit of S90. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Table 7-49: Crystallographic data for S90.

structure code	S90	F(000)	1816
formula	$C_{39}H_{75}NO_4Si_2SrZr$	max. / min. Transmission	0.3899 / 0.4293
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	857.02	ρ <sub>calc</sub> / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.255
crystal size / mm	0.15 x 0.1 x 0.05	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	1.493
crystal system	monoclinic	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	4.45 - 26.02
space group	<i>P</i> 2₁/ <i>n</i>	reflections all/unique	58894 / 6622
a/Å	14.6287(11)	data/restraints/parameter	6622 / 0 / 450
b/Å	19.5529(14)	R1 (all data)	0.0422
c/Å	16.7888(12)	wR2 (all data)	0.0642
β/°	109.1100(10)	g1 / g2	0.0316 / 0
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	4537.5(6)	GoF	0.915
Z	4	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.351 / -0.473

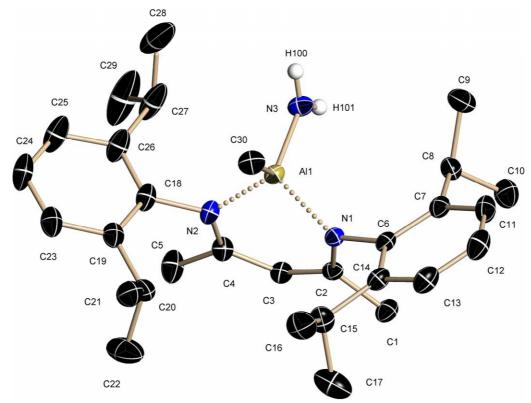


Figure 7-50: Asymmetric unit of SNH2. Calculated hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

 Table 7-50: Crystallographic data for SNH2.

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structure code	SNH2	F(000)	1040
formula	$C_{30}H_{46}AIN_3$	max. / min. Transmission	0.6479 /0.7454
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	475.68	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.085
crystal size / mm	0.3 x 0.2 x 0.2	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.091
crystal system	monoclinic	$\theta_{min}$ / $\theta_{max}$ °	2.29 - 26.69
space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c	reflections all/unique	64597 / 5586
a/Å	8.8952(8)	data/restraints/parameter	5586 / 2 / 326
b/Å	9.7909(9)	R1 (all data)	0.0475
c/Å	33.464(3)	wR2 (all data)	0.1068
β/°	92.0750(10)	g1 / g2	0.0367 / 2.0697
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	2912.6(5)	GoF	1.070
Z	4	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.317 / -0.276

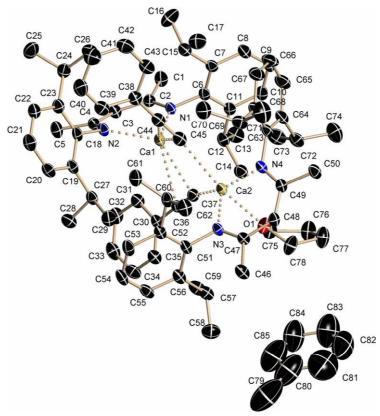


Figure 7-51: Asymmetric unit of S200. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Due to racemic twinning the *Flack* x parameter could not be determined.

Table 7-51: Crystallographic data for S200.

structure code	S200	F(000)	1388
formula	$C_{85}H_{108}Ca_2N_4O$	max. / min. Transmission	0.7454 / 0.6887
molecular mass / g⋅mol <sup>-1</sup>	1281.91	ρ <sub>calc</sub> / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.139
crystal size / mm	0.2 x 0.15 x 0.1	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.200
crystal system	monoclinic	$\theta_{min}$ / $\theta_{max}$ °	2.50 / 26.36
space group	P2 <sub>1</sub>	reflections all/unique	51066 / 15229
a/Å	12.7628(18)	data/restraints/parameter	15229 / 71 / 838
b/Å	16.292(2)	R1 (all data)	0.0502
c/Å	17.997(3)	wR2 (all data)	0.1124
β / °	92.983(2)	g1 / g2	0.0634 / 1.0833
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	3736.9(9)	GoF	1.053
Z	2	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.689 / -0.493

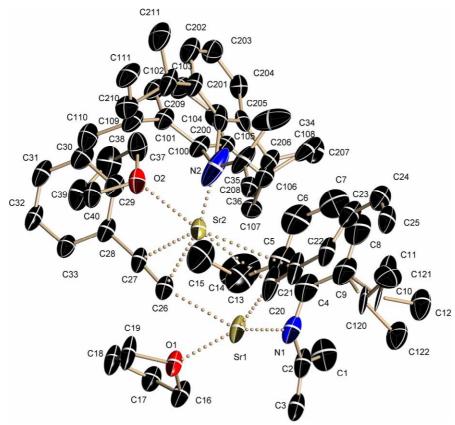


Figure 7-52: Asymmetric unit of S199. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

 Table 7-52: Crystallographic data for S199.

structure code	S199	F(000)	2880
formula	$C_{82}H_{108}N_4O_2Sr_2$	max. / min. Transmission	0.3512 / 0.4291
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	1356.96	$ ho_{ m calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.238
crystal size / mm	0.15 x 0.15 x 0.1	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	1.514
crystal system	orthorhombic	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	2.54 - 25.02
space group	Pnma	reflections all/unique	73169 / 6607
a/Å	25.361(3)	data/restraints/parameter	6607 / 162 / 585
b/Å	20.746(3)	R1 (all data)	0.0970
c/Å	13.833(2)	wR2 (all data)	0.1532
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	7277.8(16)	g1 / g2	0.0576 / 4.9455
Z	4	GoF	1.060
temperature / K	100(2)	peak / hole / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.615 / -0.702

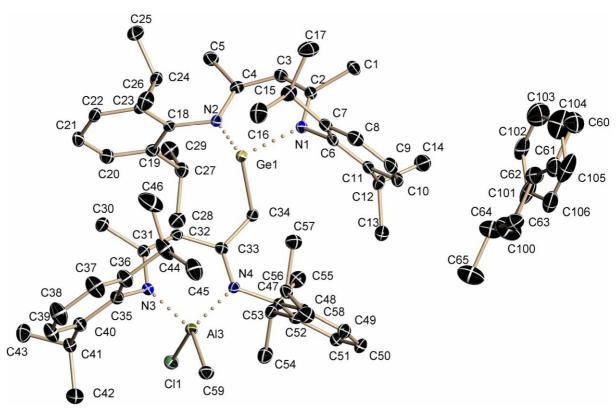


Figure 7-53: Asymmetric unit of SGe. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Table 7-53: Crystallographic data for SGe.

structure code	SGe	F(000)	2312
formula	$C_{65.21}H_{96.75}AI$ CIGeN <sub>4</sub>	max. / min. Transmission	0.7128 / 0.7454
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	1071.73	$ ho_{\rm calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.143
crystal size / mm	0.2 x 0.2 x 0.2	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.589
crystal system	monoclinic	$\theta_{min}$ / $\theta_{max}$ °	1.41 / 26.02
space group	<i>P</i> 2₁/ <i>n</i>	reflections all/unique	52821 / 12266
a/Å	14.868(1)	data/restraints/parameter	12266 / 0 / 724
b/Å	20.695(1)	R1 (all data)	0.0446
c/Å	20.491(1)	wR2 (all data)	0.0752
β/°	98.983(1)	g1 / g2	0.0318 / 3.2607
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	6227.5(4)	GoF	1.012
Z	4	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.361 / -0.311

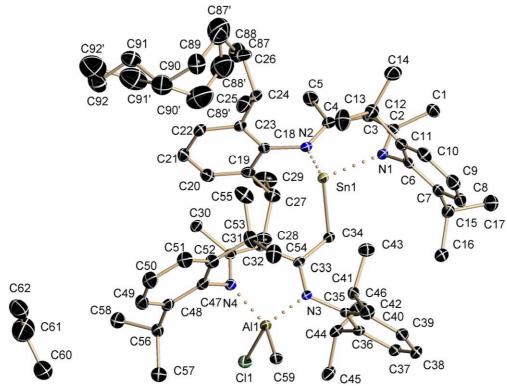


Figure 7-54: Asymmetric unit of SSn. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Table 7-54: Crystallographic data for SSn.

structure code	SSn	F(000)	2484
formula	$C_{68}H_{105}AICIN_4Sn$	max. / min. Transmission	0.6870 / 0.7452
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	1159.68	ρ <sub>calc</sub> / Mg⋅m <sup>-3</sup>	1.178
crystal size / mm	0.25 x 0.25 x 0.2	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.486
crystal system	monoclinic	$\theta_{min}$ / $\theta_{max}$ °	1.35 / 25.42
space group	<i>P</i> 2₁/ <i>n</i>	reflections all/unique	78557 / 12051
a/Å	14.345(1)	data/restraints/parameter	12051 / 87 / 737
b/Å	20.705(1)	R1 (all data)	0.0561
c/Å	22.941(1)	wR2 (all data)	0.0775
β / °	106.319(1)	g1 / g2	0.0333 / 4.3954
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	6539.1(6)	GoF	1.023
Z	4	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.694 / -0.319

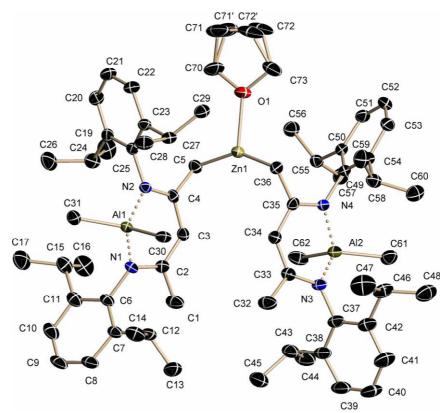


Figure 7-55: Asymmetric unit of SZn. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

**Table 7-55:** Crystallographic data for SZn.

structure code	SZn	temperature / K	100(2)
formula	$C_{66}H_{100}Al_2N_4OZn$	max. / min. Transmission	0.6450 / 0.7452
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	1084.83	ρ <sub>calc</sub> / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.130
crystal size / mm	$0.1\times0.1\times0.05$	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.455
crystal system	triclinic	F(000)	1176
space group	P 1	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	2.09 / 25.38
a/Å	10.312(1)	reflections all/unique	39119 / 11707
b/Å	13.290(2)	data/restraints/parameter	11707 / 65 / 708
c/Å	24.811(3)	R1 (all data)	0.0654
α/°	83.555(2)	wR2 (all data)	0.1062
β / °	88.621(2)	g1 / g2	0.0502 / 1.3827
γ/°	70.723(2)	GoF	1.037
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	3188.9(6)	peak/hole:	
Z	2	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.398 / -0.471

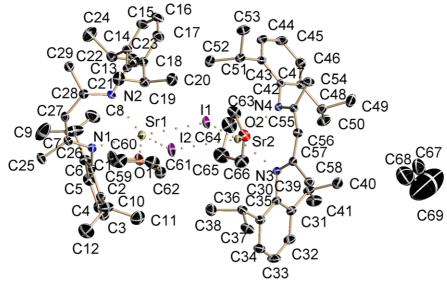


Figure 7-56: Asymmetric unit of SSrl. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

Table 7-56: Crystallographic data for SSrl.

structure code	SSrI	F(000)	2980
formula	$C_{69}H_{105}I_2N_4O_2Sr_2$	max. / min. Transmission	0.3849 / 0.4299
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	1451.61	$ ho_{\rm calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.357
crystal size / mm	0.15 x 0.15 x 0.1	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	2.413
crystal system	monoclinic	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	1.62 / 26.77
space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c	reflections all/unique	137550 / 15123
a/Å	21.500(2)	data/restraints/parameter	15123 / 16 / 733
b/Å	15.487(2)	R1 (all data)	0.0283
c/Å	23.025(3)	wR2 (all data)	0.0545
β/°	112.088(1)	g1 / g2	0.0257 / 3.7174
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	7104.1(14)	GoF	1.061
Z	4	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.698 / -0.439

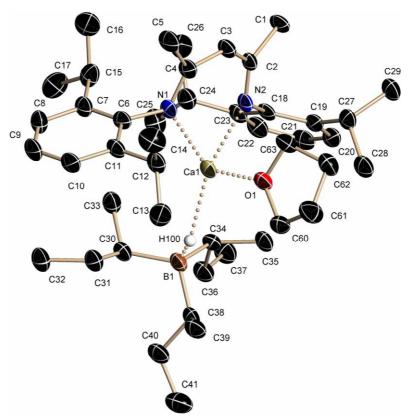


Figure 7-57: Asymmetric unit of SCaB. Calculated hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

 Table 7-57: Crystallographic data for SCaB.

structure code	SCaB	F(000)	1576
formula	C <sub>45</sub> H <sub>77</sub> BCaN <sub>2</sub> O	max. / min. Transmission	0.4503 / 0.7452
molecular mass / g⋅mol <sup>-1</sup>	712.98	$ ho_{\rm calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.089
crystal size / mm	0.15 x 0.1 x 0.1	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.178
crystal system	monoclinic	$\theta_{min}$ / $\theta_{max}$ °	0.99 / 25.51
space group	<i>P</i> 2₁/ <i>c</i>	reflections all/unique	31406 / 7992
a/Å	20.749(5)	data/restraints/parameter	7992 / 0 / 471
b/Å	13.176(3)	R1 (all data)	0.1346
c/Å	16.106(4)	wR2 (all data)	0.1797
β/°	99.155(5)	g1 / g2	0.0879 / 0.8065
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	4347.0(2)	GoF	1.001
Z	4	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.381 / -0.602

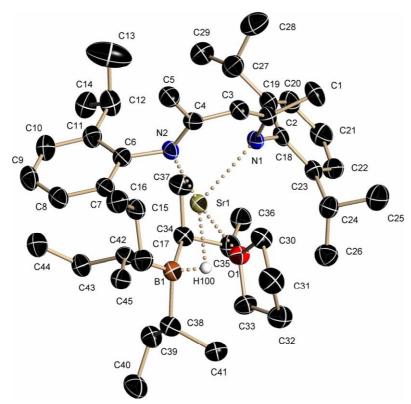


Figure 7-58: Asymmetric unit of SSrB. Calculated hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

 Table 7-58: Crystallographic data for SSrB.

structure code	SSrB	F(000)	1648
formula	$C_{45}H_{77}BN_2OSr$	max. / min. Transmission	0.3639 / 0.4288
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	760.52	$ ho_{\rm calc}$ / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.148
crystal size / mm	0.1 x 0.1 x 0.1	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	1.259
crystal system	monoclinic	$\theta_{min}$ / $\theta_{max}$ °	1.82 / 25.11
space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c	reflections all/unique	66750 / 7808
a/Å	20.721(4)	data/restraints/parameter	7808 / 21 / 471
b/Å	13.395(2)	R1 (all data)	0.0624
c/Å	16.093(3)	wR2 (all data)	0.0426
β / °	100.014(3)	g1 / g2	0.0549 / 2.1344
V/Å <sup>3</sup>	4398.7(13)	GoF	1.077
Z	4	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.659 / -0.488

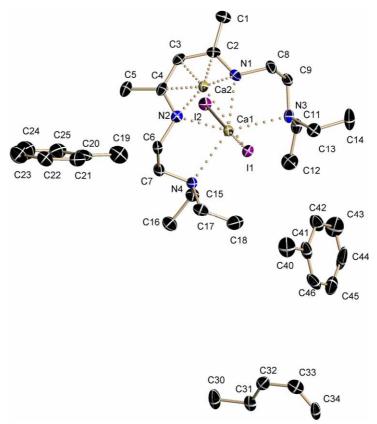


Figure 7-59: Asymmetric unit of S900. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.

 Table 7-59: Crystallographic data for S900.

structure code	S900	F(000)	1604
formula	$C_{62}H_{102}Ca_3I_4N_8$	max. / min. Transmission	0.5823 / 0.7452
molecular mass / g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	1587.36	ρ <sub>calc</sub> / Mg·m <sup>-3</sup>	1.522
crystal size / mm	0.15 x 0.1 x 0.05	$\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>	2.063
crystal system	monoclinic	θ <sub>min</sub> / θ <sub>max</sub> °	1.90 / 25.08
space group	P2/c	reflections all/unique	49063 / 6112
a/Å	15.550(6)	data/restraints/parameter	6112 / 64 / 366
b/Å	16.668(6)	R1 (all data)	0.0911
c/Å	14.904(5)	wR2 (all data)	0.1027
β/°	116.273(8)	g1 / g2	0.0296 / 17.3674
V / Å <sup>3</sup>	3464.0(2)	GoF	1.075
Z	2	peak/hole:	
temperature / K	100(2)	max. / min. / (10 <sup>-6</sup> e· Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.881 / -0.969

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