

Supporting Information

# Smallest Molecular Chalcogenidometalate Anions of the Heaviest Metals: Syntheses, Structures, and their Interconversion

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### Supplementary details on single crystal X-ray diffraction

*X-ray diffraction experiments.* K<sub>3</sub>BiSe<sub>3</sub> has been reported before, data for completeness only.<sup>[1]</sup> Data of the X-ray structure analysis: T = 100 K (1-7, 9, K<sub>3</sub>BiSe<sub>3</sub>) or 293 K (8), graphite monochromator (mirror optics for 9), imaging plate detector Stoe IPDS2T (1, 4-6), IPDS2 (2, 3, 7, K<sub>3</sub>BiSe<sub>3</sub>), IPDS (8) or Bruker Quest (9). All structures were solves by direct methods in WinGX<sup>[2]</sup> and OLEX2<sup>[3]</sup> refined by full-matrix least-squares refinement against F<sup>2</sup> in SHELXL-2014/7.<sup>[4]</sup> Absorption correction were performed numerically including shape optimization with STOE X-AREA<sup>[5]</sup> (1-8, K<sub>3</sub>BiSe<sub>3</sub>) or semi-empirically with Bruker SADABS (multi-scan, 9).<sup>[6]</sup> Tables S1 – S4 summarize the crystallographic data of all crystalline compounds. CCDC 1430781 (1), 1430782 (2), 1430783 (3), 1430784 (4), 1430785 (5), 1430786 (6), 1430787 (7), 1430788 (8), 1430789 (9), and 1430790 (K<sub>3</sub>BiSe<sub>3</sub>) contain the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper. These data can be obtained free of charge from The Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre via <u>www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data\_request/cif</u>. Refinement details and crystallographic information for compounds 1-10 are listed in Table S1-S3. Supplementary structure figures are provided in Figures S1-S13.

Compound	K <sub>4</sub> [HgSe <sub>3</sub> ]·H <sub>2</sub> O (1)	K <sub>4</sub> [HgTe <sub>3</sub> ]·H <sub>2</sub> O (2)	K <sub>10</sub> Na <sub>2</sub> [HgTe <sub>3</sub> ] <sub>2</sub> (HCO <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> (3)
Empirical formula	HgK₄OSe₃	HgK₄OTe₃	$C_3Hg_2K_{10}Na_2O_6Te_6$
Formula weight /g·mol⁻¹	609.87	755.79	1735.79
Crystal color and shape	Clear yellow block	Metallic black block	Red stick
Crystal size /mm	0.09.0.13.0.15	0.03.0.05.0.07	0.07.0.08.0.26
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Orthorhombic	Monoclinic
Space group	P2 <sub>1</sub>	P212121	C2/m
<i>a</i> /Å	8.4929(4)	9.0201(4)	14.4612(11)
b/Å	9.6479(3)	10.1697(4)	11.0898(11)
c/Å	13.1996(6)	14.0216(7)	9.9243(8)
в /°	90.066(4)		93.367(10)
V/Å <sup>3</sup>	1081.56(8)	1286.23(10)	1588.8(2)
Z	4	4	2
$\rho_{\rm calc}/{\rm g}\cdot{\rm cm}^{-3}$	3.745	3.903	3.628
μ(Mo <sub>Kα</sub> ) /mm⁻¹	25.801	19.876	16.405
2⊖ range/°	4.22-63.86	4.94-58.25	4.11-53.29
Abs. corr. T <sub>min</sub> /T <sub>max</sub>	0.2342 / 0.6341	0.2743 / 0.6320	0.0980 / 0.4974
Reflections measured	25771	25063	10793
Independent reflections	7227	3449	1777
R(int)	0.0955	0.0620	0.0455
Independent reflections ( $l > 3\sigma(l)$ )	6656	3363	1712
Parameters	165	84	81
$R_1(l>3\sigma(l))$	0.0498	0.0220	0.0215
wR <sub>2</sub> (all data)	0.1174	0.0480	0.0496
Goof (all data)	1.006	1.055	1.081
Max. peak / hole /e <sup>-</sup> ·10 <sup>-6</sup> ·pm <sup>-3</sup>	2.775 / -6.997	1.064 / -0.935	0.155 / -1.249
CCDC number	1430781	1430782	1430783

Table S1. Crystallographic and refinement details for Compounds 1 - 3.

Table S2. Crystallographic and refinement	t details for Compounds 4 – 6.
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Compound	K <sub>2</sub> [HgSe <sub>2</sub> ]·H <sub>2</sub> O (4)	K <sub>6</sub> [Tl <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>6</sub> ]·2H <sub>2</sub> O (5)	K <sub>6</sub> [Tl <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>6</sub> ]·2K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (6)
Empirical formula	HgK <sub>2</sub> OSe <sub>2</sub>	$K_6O_2Se_6TI_2$	$C_2K_{10}O_6Se_6TI_2$
Formula weight /g·mol⁻¹	452.71	1149.10	1393.52
Crystal color and shape	Orange block	Red plates	Orange block
Crystal size /mm	0.09.0.10.0.11	0.03.0.05.0.27	0.04.0.09.0.12
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Triclinic	Triclinic
Space group	P21/c	PĪ	PĪ
a /Å	12.0228(7)	7.6343(9)	7.2063(7)
<i>b</i> /Å	7.7956(5)	8.3256(10)	8.6457(8)
<i>c</i> /Å	7.4526(4)	8.4777(10)	10.6249(10)
α/°		94.535(10)	70.120(7)
β /°	92.853(4)	103.250(9)	88.516(8)
γ/°		108.831(9)	79.234(8)
V/Å <sup>3</sup>	697.63(7)	489.53(11)	611.06(10)
Z	4	1	1
$\rho_{calc}/g\cdot cm^{-3}$	4.310	3.898	3.787
μ(Mo <sub>Kα</sub> ) /mm <sup>-1</sup>	33.572	28.849	23.824
20 range/°	3.39-55.99	5.01-53.42	4.08-53.22
Abs. corr. T <sub>min</sub> /T <sub>max</sub>	0.0080 / 0.1879	0.0607 / 0.4403	0.0664 / 0.3569
Reflections measured	4436	3592	5713
Independent reflections	1475	1696	2570
R(int)	0.0864	0.1028	0.1418
Independent reflections ( $l > 3\sigma(l)$ )	1304	1471	2449
Parameters	56	74	119
$R_1(l>3\sigma(l))$	0.0429	0.0600	0.0658
wR <sub>2</sub> (all data)	0.1084	0.1603	0.1773
Goof (all data)	1.050	1.034	1.094
Max. peak / hole /e <sup>-</sup> ·10 <sup>-6</sup> ·pm <sup>-3</sup>	4.190 / -2.746	2.872 / -2.399	4.761 / -5.063
CCDC number	1430784	1430785	1430786

Table S3. Crystallographic and refinement details for Compounds 7 – 9.

Compound	K <sub>0.94</sub> Tl <sub>0.06</sub> [TlSe <sub>2</sub> ] (7)	{K₅[TITe₄]·2KOH}₃·10H₂O (8)	K <sub>4</sub> [PbSe <sub>4</sub> ]·en·H <sub>2</sub> O (9)
Empirical formula	K <sub>0.94</sub> Se <sub>2</sub> Tl <sub>1.06</sub>	$K_{21}O_{16}Te_{12}TI_3$	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>10</sub> K <sub>4</sub> N <sub>2</sub> OPbSe <sub>4</sub>
Formula weight /g·mol⁻¹	410.89	3221.41	757.55
Crystal color and shape	Black block	Red block	Red block
Crystal size /mm	0.08.0.10.0.12	0.20.0.21.0.30	0.08.0.10.0.13
Crystal system	Tetragonal	Trigonal	Triclinic
Space group	I4/mcm	R3c	PĪ
<i>a</i> /Å	8.0075(12)	16.9135(16)	8.0377(5)
<i>b</i> /Å			8.1958(5)
<i>c</i> /Å	7.0104(9)	39.226(6)	12.6944(7)
α/°			92.602(2)
β /°			102.770(2)
γ/°			93.193(2)
V/Å <sup>3</sup>	449.51(15)	9718(2)	812.87(8)
Z	4	6	2
$\rho_{calc}/g\cdot cm^{-3}$	6.072	3.303	3.095
$\mu(Mo_{K\alpha}) / mm^{-1}$	54.829	14.126	20.333
20 range/°	7.19-53.34	4.81-51.01	4.98-54.31
Abs. corr. T <sub>min</sub> /T <sub>max</sub>	0.0091 / 0.1154	0.0125 / 0.0816	0.2086 / 0.7455
Reflections measured	3160	19680	34827
Independent reflections	147	2014	3611
R(int)	0.1902	0.2312	0.0560
Independent reflections ( $l > 3\sigma(l)$ )	145	1330	3462
Parameters	11	81	151
$R_1(l>3\sigma(l))$	0.0272	0.0583	0.0181
$wR_2$ (all data)	0.0567	0.1449	0.0405
Goof (all data)	1.232	0.892	1.132
Max. peak / hole /e <sup></sup> 10 <sup>-6.</sup> pm <sup>-3</sup>	1.824 / -1.322	1.667 / -2.212	1.332 / -1.396
CCDC number	1430787	1430788	1430789

## Table S4. Crystallographic and refinement details for $K_3BiSe_3$ (10).

Compound	K <sub>3</sub> BiSe <sub>3</sub> (10)	
Empirical formula	BiK <sub>3</sub> Se <sub>3</sub>	
Formula weight /g·mol⁻¹	563.16	
Crystal color and shape	Orange block	
Crystal size /mm	0.03.0.04.0.05	
Crystal system	Cubic	
Space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> 3	
a /Å	9.7193(3)	
V/Å <sup>3</sup>	918.13(9)	
Ζ	4	
$\rho_{\rm calc}/{\rm g}\cdot{\rm cm}^{-3}$	4.074	
μ(Mo <sub>Kα</sub> ) /mm <sup>-1</sup>	32.361	
2θ range/°	5.92-53.30	
Abs. corr. T <sub>min</sub> /T <sub>max</sub>	0.2349 / 0.4811	
Reflections measured	5430	
Independent reflections	660	
R(int)	0.0878	
Independent reflections ( $l > 3\sigma(l)$ )	611	
Parameters	22	
$R_1(l>3\sigma(l))$	0.0231	
wR <sub>2</sub> (all data)	0.0403	
Goof (all data)	0.925	
Max. peak / hole /e <sup>-</sup> ·10 <sup>-6</sup> ·pm <sup>-3</sup>	0.669 / -0.584	
CCDC number	1430790	



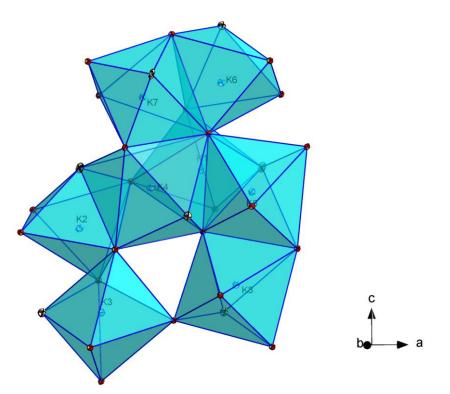


Figure S1. Representation of the K<sup>+</sup> environment in the crystal structure of **1**. Ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability.

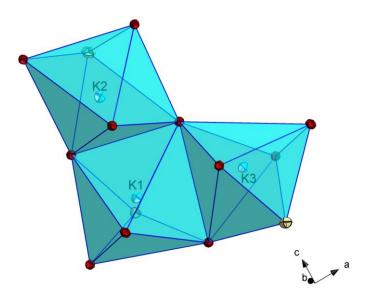


Figure S2. Representation of the K<sup>+</sup> environment in the crystal structure of **2**. Ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability.

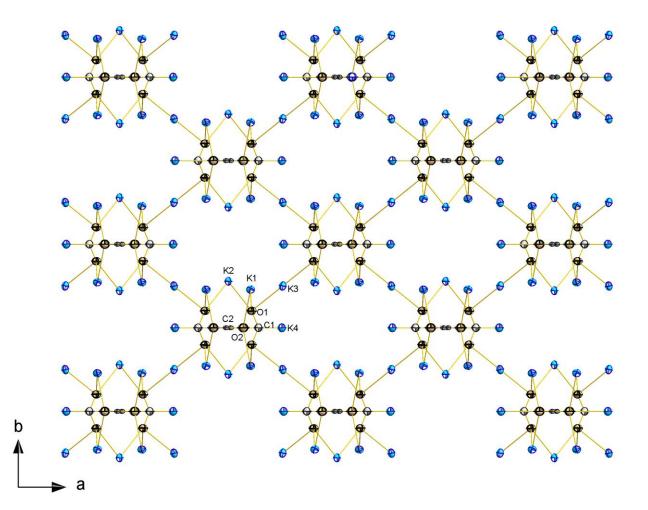


Figure S3. Representation of the packing of anions and cations in the crystal structure of **3**. View along [001]. Ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability.

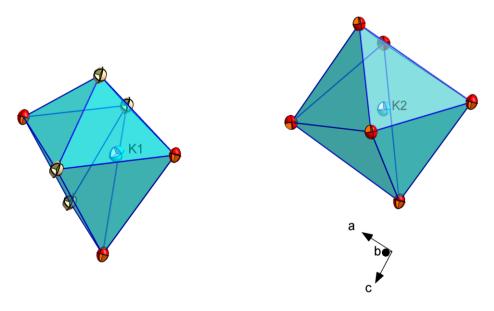


Figure S4. Representation of the K<sup>+</sup> environment in the crystal structure of **4**. Ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability.

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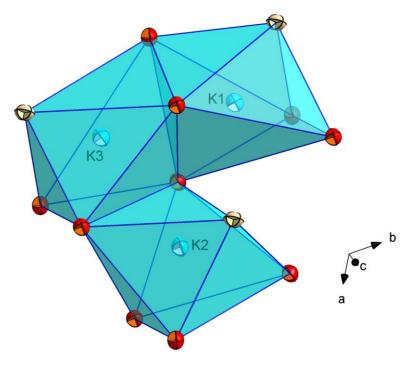


Figure S5. Representation of the K<sup>+</sup> environment in the crystal structure of **5**. Ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability.

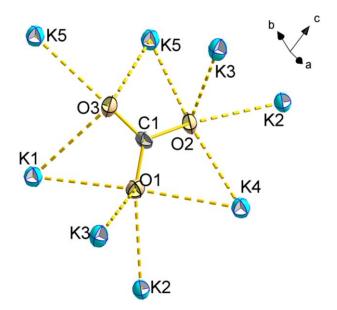


Figure S6. Representation of the [CO<sub>3</sub>]<sup>2–</sup> environment in the crystal structure of **6**. Ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability.

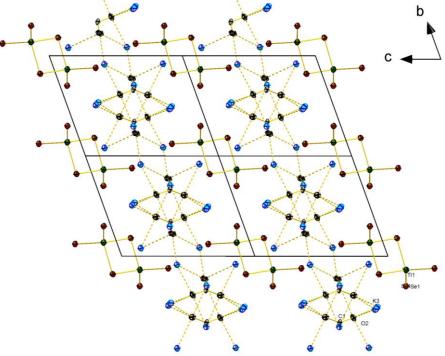


Figure S7. Representation of the packing of cations and anions in the crystal structure of 6. View along [100]. Ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability.

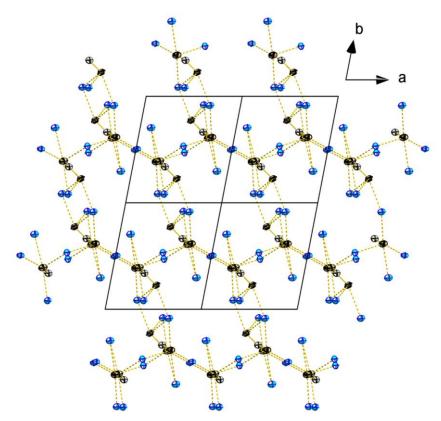


Figure S8. Representation of the packing of cations and anions in the crystal structure of 6. View along [001]. Ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability.



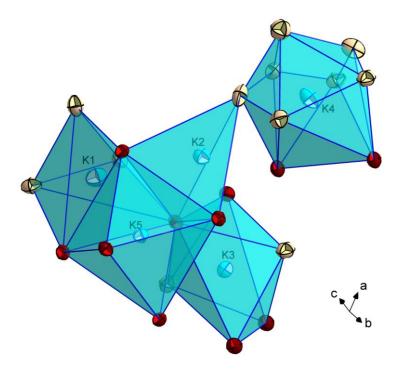


Figure S9. Representation of the K<sup>+</sup> environment in the crystal structure of **8**. Ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability.

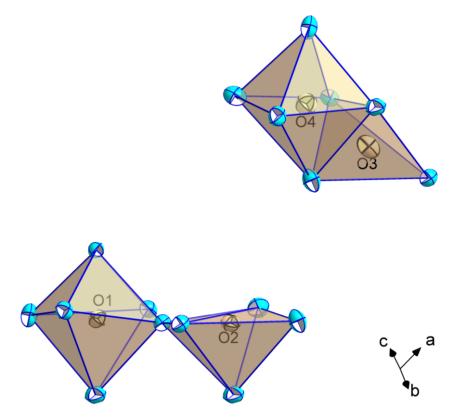


Figure S10. Representation of the O environment in the crystal structure of 8. Ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability.

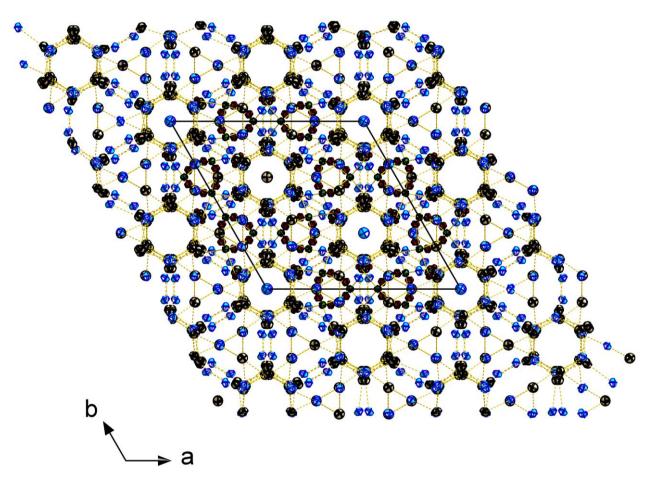


Figure S11. Representation of the packing of cations and anions in the crystal structure of **8**. View along [001]. Ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability.

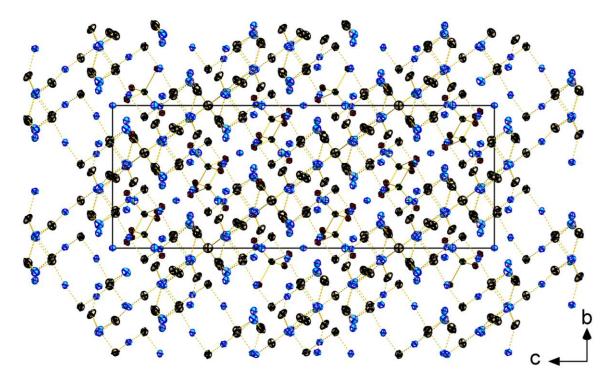


Figure S12. Representation of the packing of cations and anions in the crystal structure of **8**. View along [100]. Ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability.

#### Comment on the refinement of compound 9: assignment of $NH_3$ versus $H_2O$ in compound 9

The quality of the dataset is extremely good due to a very high crystal quality and the absorption correction, thus a differentiation between oxygen and nitrogen could technically unambiguously be done (in favour of oxygen), even though heavy atoms (lead and selenium) are present within the crystal structure.

Both hydrogen atoms at the hydrate oxygen atom can be assigned from the difference Fourier analysis and be refined with free variables. The very short O–H distances of around 0.7 Å accords with common experience, the angle is within the expected range. In addition, a reasonable hydrogen bond pointing towards the ethane-1,2-diamine (*en*) moiety is found (see Fig. S13).

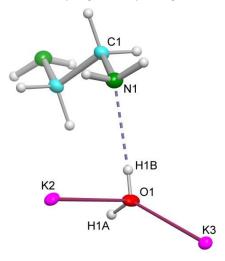


Figure S13. Illustration of the crystallographically determined H bond between water and en molecules in compound 9.

## Details on quantum chemical calculations

All molecular electronic structure calculations were carried out with the TURBOMOLE program package V6.6.<sup>[7]</sup> COSMO was used for the compensation of negative charges, applying the default parameters with  $\varepsilon = \infty$ .<sup>[8]</sup> Structure optimizations were undertaken by employment of the RIDFT program, using the BP86 functional<sup>[9]</sup> and def2-TZVP basis sets with respective ECPs.<sup>[10]</sup> The optimized structures were confirmed to be local minima on the energy hypersurface by means of calculations of the 2<sup>nd</sup> derivative of the energy. Figure S14-S17 summarize all calculated species along with their total energy values.

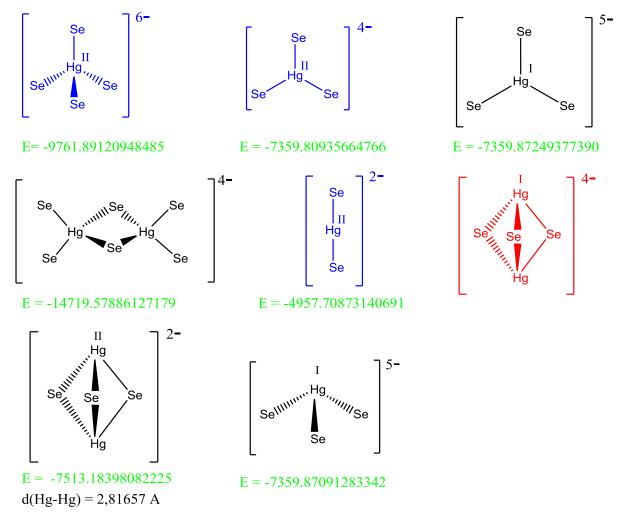


Figure S14. Schematic drawing of chalcogenidoplumbate anions calculated by means of quantum chemical methods, along corresponding total energies. Red coloured structures indicate that no convergence could be achieved. Blue coloured structures indicate experimentally determined structural motifs. Green coloured energy values indicate (local) minima on the energy hypersurface. All energy values in Hartree.

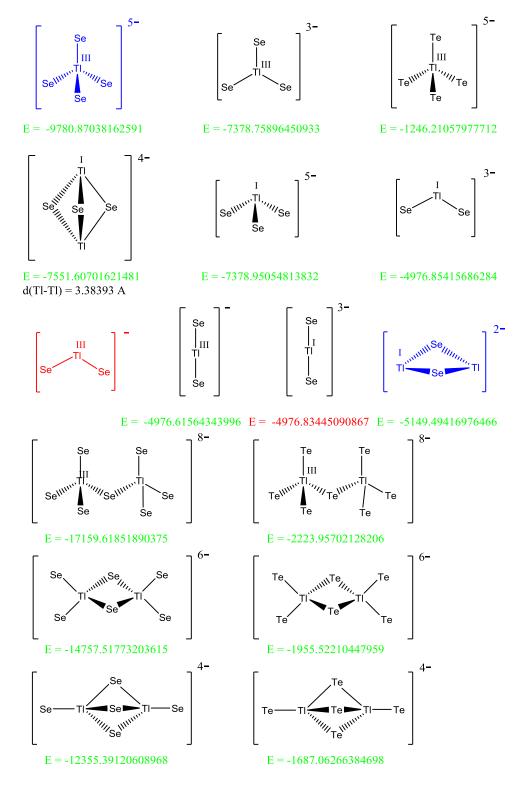


Figure S15. Schematic drawing of selenidothallate anions calculated by means of quantum chemical methods, along with corresponding total energies. Red coloured structures indicate that no convergence could be achieved. Blue coloured structures indicate experimentally determined structural motifs. Green coloured energy values indicate (local) minima on the energy hypersurface. Red coloured energy value indicate imaginary vibrational modes. All energy values in Hartree.

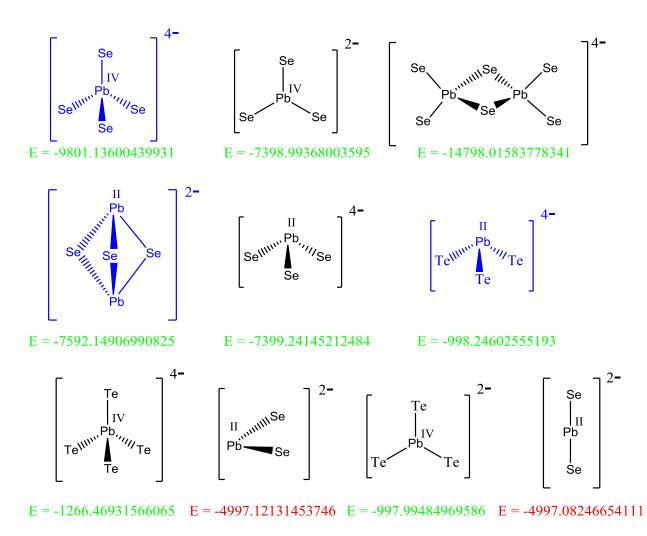


Figure S16. Schematic drawing of chalcogenidoplumbate anions calculated by means of quantum chemical methods, along with corresponding total energies. Blue coloured structures indicate experimentally determined structural motifs. Green coloured energy values indicate (local) minima on the energy hypersurface. Red coloured energy value indicate imaginary vibrational modes. All energy values in Hartree.

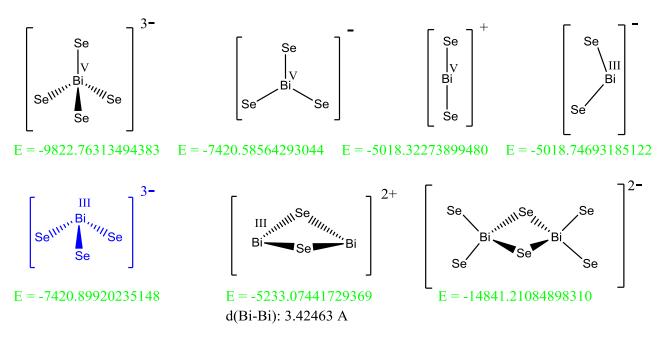


Figure S17. Schematic drawing of selenidobismuthate anions calculated by means of quantum chemical methods, along with corresponding total energies. Blue coloured structures indicate experimentally determined structural motifs. Green coloured energy values indicate (local) minima on the energy hypersurface. All energy values in Hartree.

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