

Electronic Supplementary Information

**Versatile bonding and coordination modes of ditriazolylidene ligands in rhodium(III) and
iridium(III) complexes**

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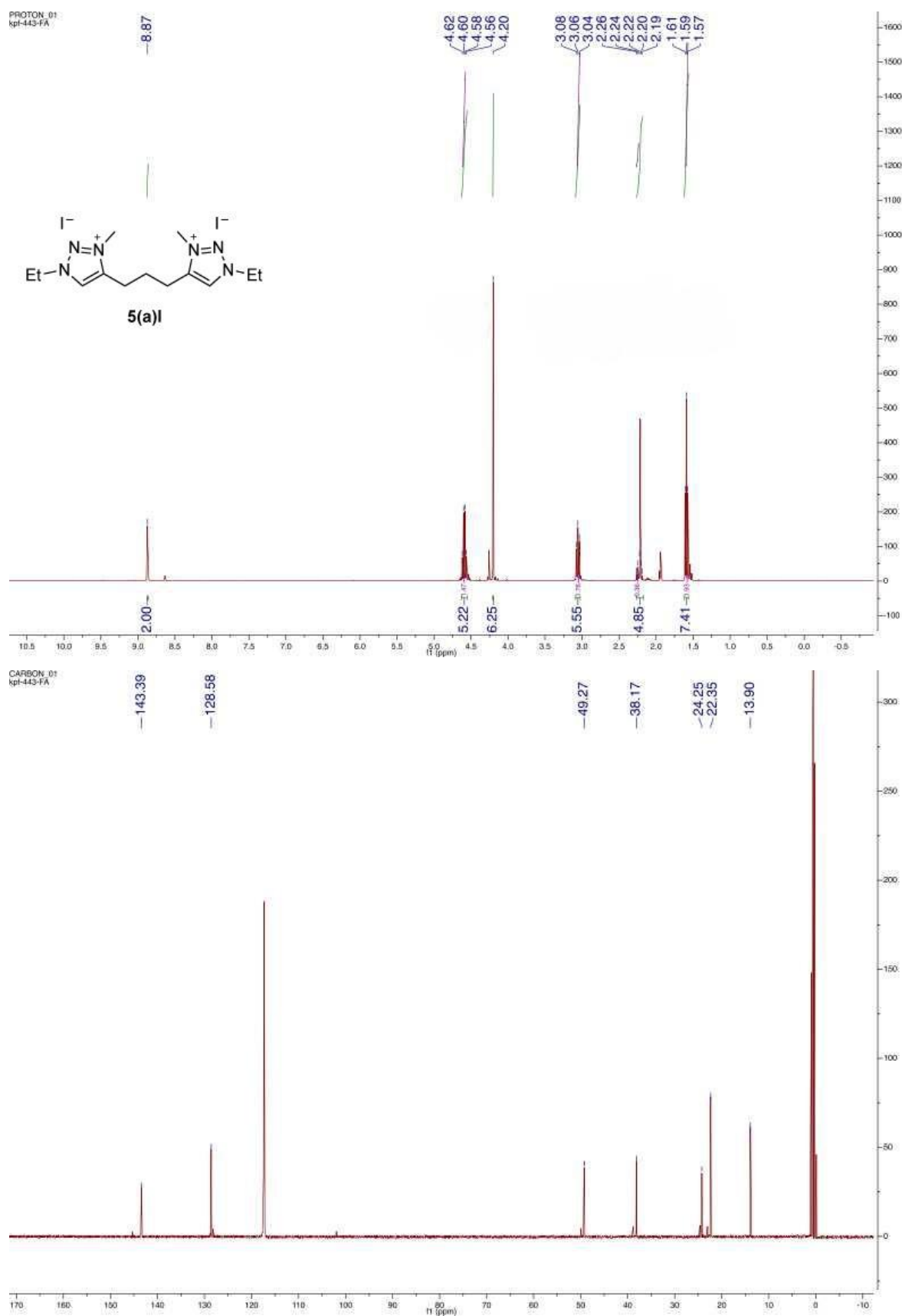


Figure S1. Top: ¹H NMR (CD₃CN, 400 MHz); bottom: ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CD₃CN, 100 MHz).

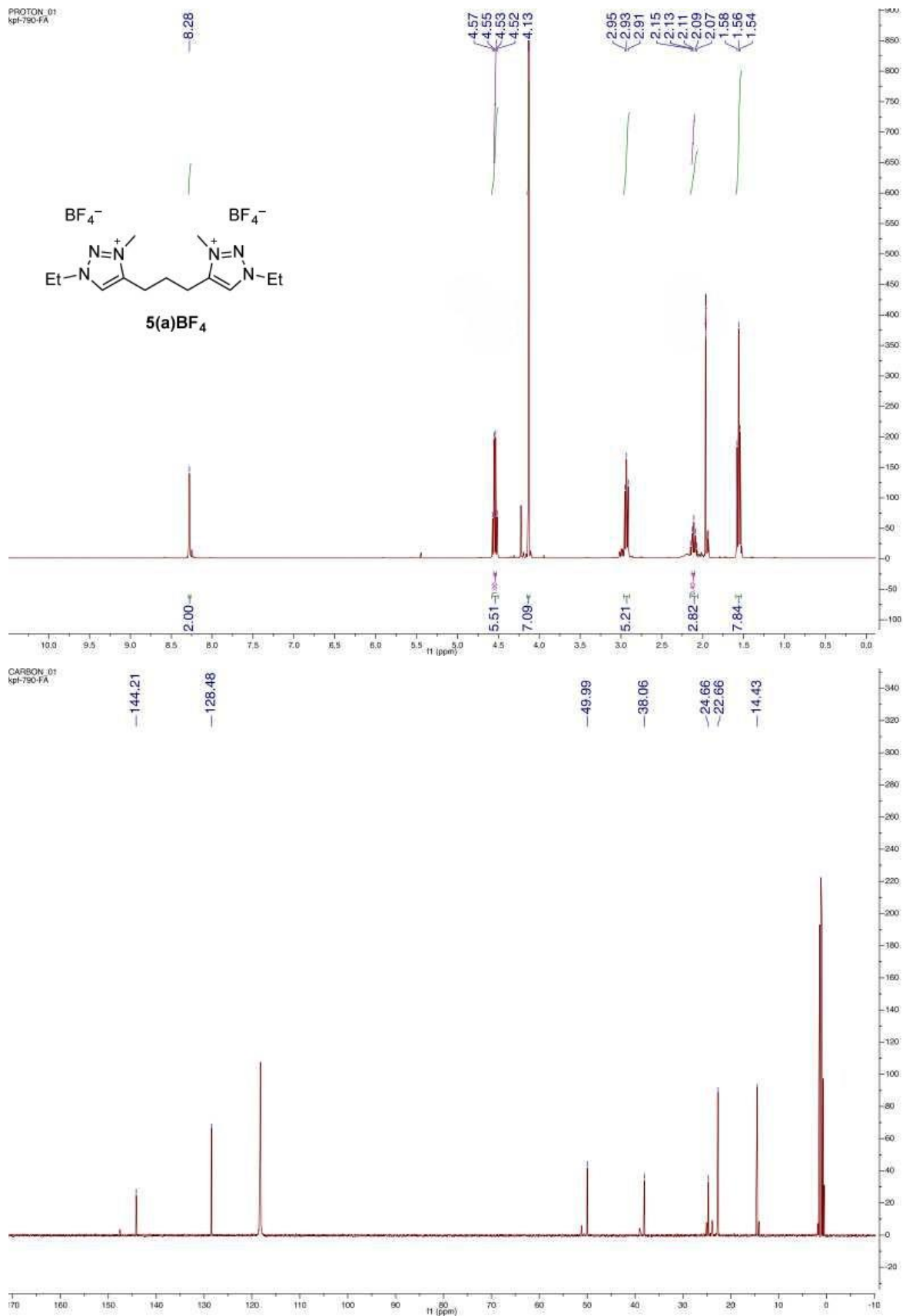


Figure S2. Top: ¹H NMR (CD₃CN, 400 MHz); bottom: ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CD₃CN, 100 MHz).

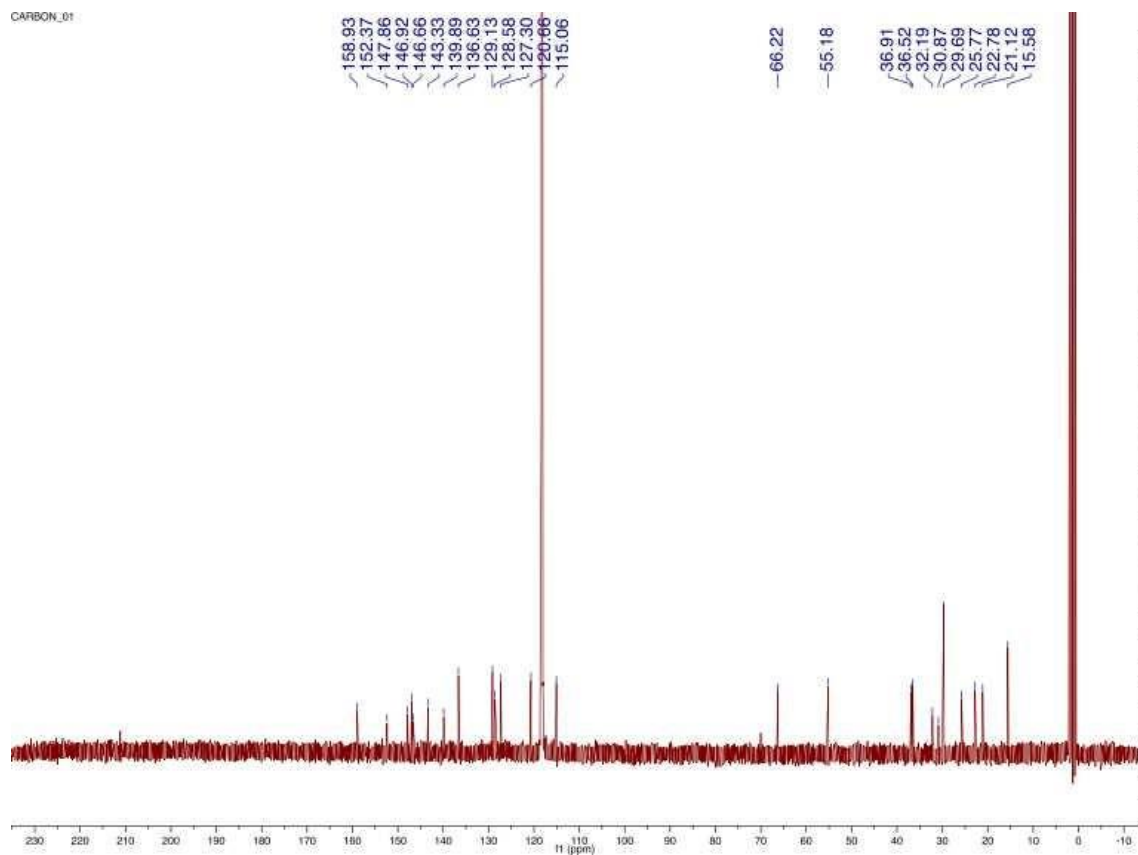
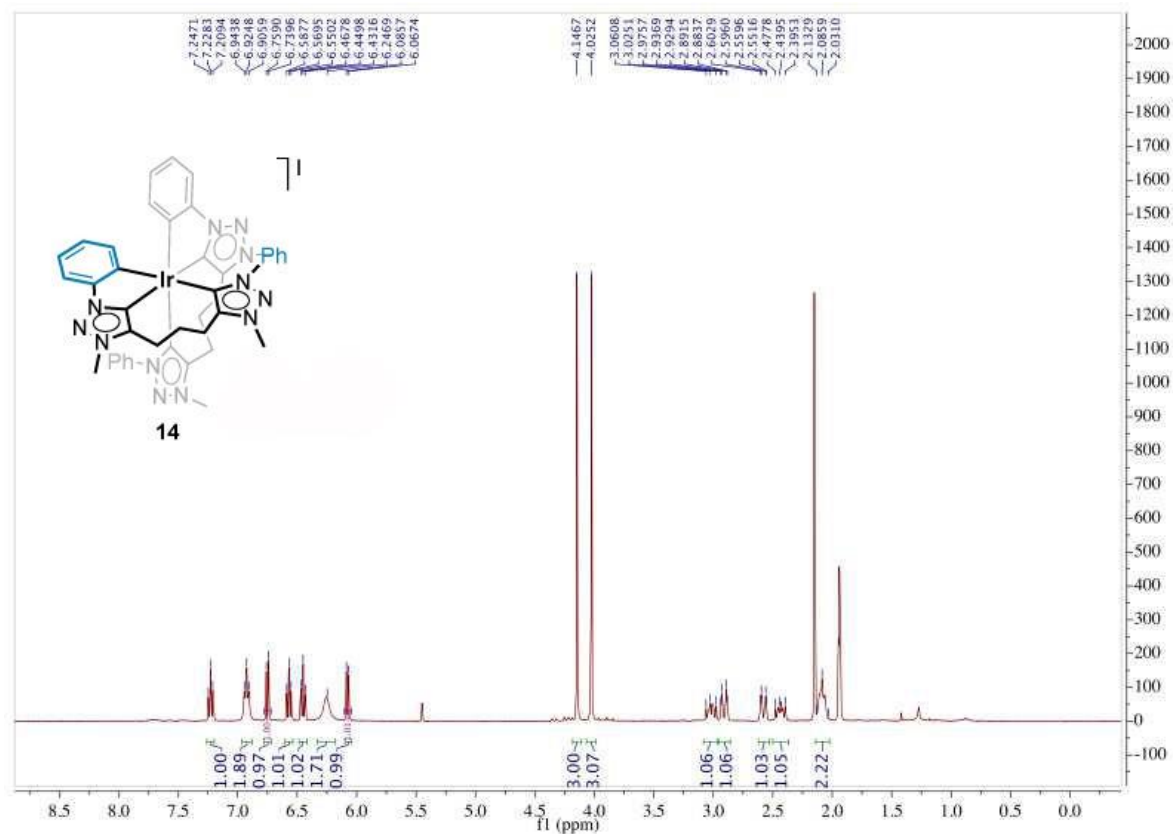


Figure S3. Top: ¹H NMR (CD₃CN, 400 MHz); bottom: ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CD₃CN, 100 MHz).

2. Details on crystal structure determinations

Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement for complex **7**.

CCDC No.	1477827
Empirical formula	C ₂₃ H _{37.48} B _{0.21} N ₆ O _{0.24} F _{0.84} Cl _{1.79} Rh
Molecular formula	[C ₂₃ H ₃₇ N ₆ Cl Rh] ⁺ {[Cl] ⁻ } _{0.79} {[B F ₄] ⁻ } _{0.21} x 0.24 (H ₂ O) ^{a)}
Formula weight	586.33
Temperature	100(2) K
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Crystal system	Monoclinic
Space group	P2 ₁ /c (#14)
Unit cell dimensions	a = 9.4774(4) Å α = 90°. b = 17.4666(7) Å β = 92.342(4)°. c = 15.7881(6) Å γ = 90°.
Volume	2611.35(18) Å ³
Z	4
Density (calculated)	1.491 Mg/m ³
Absorption coefficient	0.867 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	1213
Crystal size	0.2270 x 0.1286 x 0.0296 mm ³
Theta range for data collection	2.81 to 26.81°.
Index ranges	-11 ≤ h ≤ 11, -22 ≤ k ≤ 22, -19 ≤ l ≤ 19
Reflections collected	27799
Independent reflections	5534 [R(int) = 0.0483]
Completeness to theta	(= 26.81°) 99.3%
Absorption correction	Analytical
Max. and min. transmission	0.975 and 0.868
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	5534 / 6 / 327 ^{b)}
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.047
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.0308, wR2 = 0.0679
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0367, wR2 = 0.0713
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.560 and -0.759 e.Å ⁻³

Table S2. Crystal data and structure refinement for complexes **8** and **9**.

CCDC No.	1477829	1477828
Empirical formula	C ₃₁ H ₃₆ B N ₆ F ₄ Rh	C ₃₀ H ₃₄ B N ₆ O F ₄ Rh
Molecular formula	[C ₃₁ H ₃₆ N ₆ Rh] ⁺ [B F ₄] ⁻	[C ₃₀ H ₃₄ N ₆ O Rh] ⁺ [B F ₄] ⁻
Formula weight	682.38	684.35
Temperature	100(2) K	100(2) K
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	0.71073 Å
Crystal system	Orthorhombic	Monoclinic
Space group	Pbca (#61)	P2 ₁ /n (#14)
Unit cell dimensions	a = 15.4355(1) Å α = 90°. b = 16.3463(1) Å β = 90°. c = 23.5226(2) Å γ = 90°.	a = 10.3886(3) Å α = 90°. b = 23.2899(4) Å β = 112.792(3)°. c = 12.8981(3) Å γ = 90°.
Volume	5935.07(7) Å ³	2877.01(12) Å ³
Z	8	4
Density (calculated)	1.527 Mg/m ³	1.580 Mg/m ³
Absorption coefficient	0.633 mm ⁻¹	0.656 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	2800	1400
Crystal size	0.2479 x 0.2093 x 0.1640 mm ³	0.2225 x 0.1815 x 0.1246 mm ³
Theta range for data collection	2.95 to 31.00°.	2.77 to 29.67°.
Index ranges	-22 ≤ h ≤ 22, -23 ≤ k ≤ 23, -34 ≤ l ≤ 34	-14 ≤ h ≤ 14, -32 ≤ k ≤ 32, -17 ≤ l ≤ 17
Reflections collected	127462	64653
Independent reflections	9453 [R(int) = 0.0358]	7618 [R(int) = 0.0488]
Completeness to theta	(= 31.00°) 99.9%	(= 28.00°) 99.6%
Absorption correction	Analytical	Analytical
Max. and min. transmission	0.934 and 0.895	0.933 and 0.903
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	9453 / 0 / 395	7618 / 0 / 395
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.029	1.221
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.0246, wR2 = 0.0616	R1 = 0.0364, wR2 = 0.0743
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0298, wR2 = 0.0650	R1 = 0.0402, wR2 = 0.0759
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.592 and -0.486 e.Å ⁻³	0.894 and -0.768 e.Å ⁻³

Table S3. Crystal data and structure refinement for complex **13**.

CCDC No.	1477827
Empirical formula	C ₄₃ H ₄₄ N ₁₂ Cl ₂ Rh I
Molecular formula	[C ₄₂ H ₄₂ N ₁₂ Rh] ⁺ [I] ⁻ x C H ₂ Cl ₂ ^{c)}
Formula weight	1029.61
Temperature	100(2) K
Wavelength	1.54184 Å
Crystal system	Monoclinic
Space group	P2 ₁ /n (#14)
Unit cell dimensions	a = 19.4324(3) Å α = 90°. b = 11.1984(2) Å β = 107.720(2)°. c = 20.9143(3) Å γ = 90°.
Volume	4335.27(12) Å ³
Z	4
Density (calculated)	1.577 Mg/m ³
Absorption coefficient	10.283 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	2072
Crystal size	0.2811 x 0.0398 x 0.0142 mm ³
Theta range for data collection	3.72 to 76.91°.
Index ranges	-20 ≤ h ≤ 23, -13 ≤ k ≤ 13, -26 ≤ l ≤ 24
Reflections collected	44951
Independent reflections	9021 [R(int) = 0.0647]
Completeness to theta	(= 76.91°) 98.6%
Absorption correction	Analytical
Max. and min. transmission	0.868 and 0.316
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	9021 / 0 / 509
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.041
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.0495, wR2 = 0.1289
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0547, wR2 = 0.1336
Largest diff. peak and hole	1.483 and -1.797 e.Å ⁻³

^{a)} The hydrogen atoms of the water molecule could not be detected; ^{b)} All B-F bond lengths were restrained to be equal using SADI; ^{c)} The solvent could not be modelled in terms of atomic sites. Platon SQUEEZE was used to compensate for the spread electron density.