

**Supplementary information for**

**Tethered cationic alkaline earth – olefin complexes**

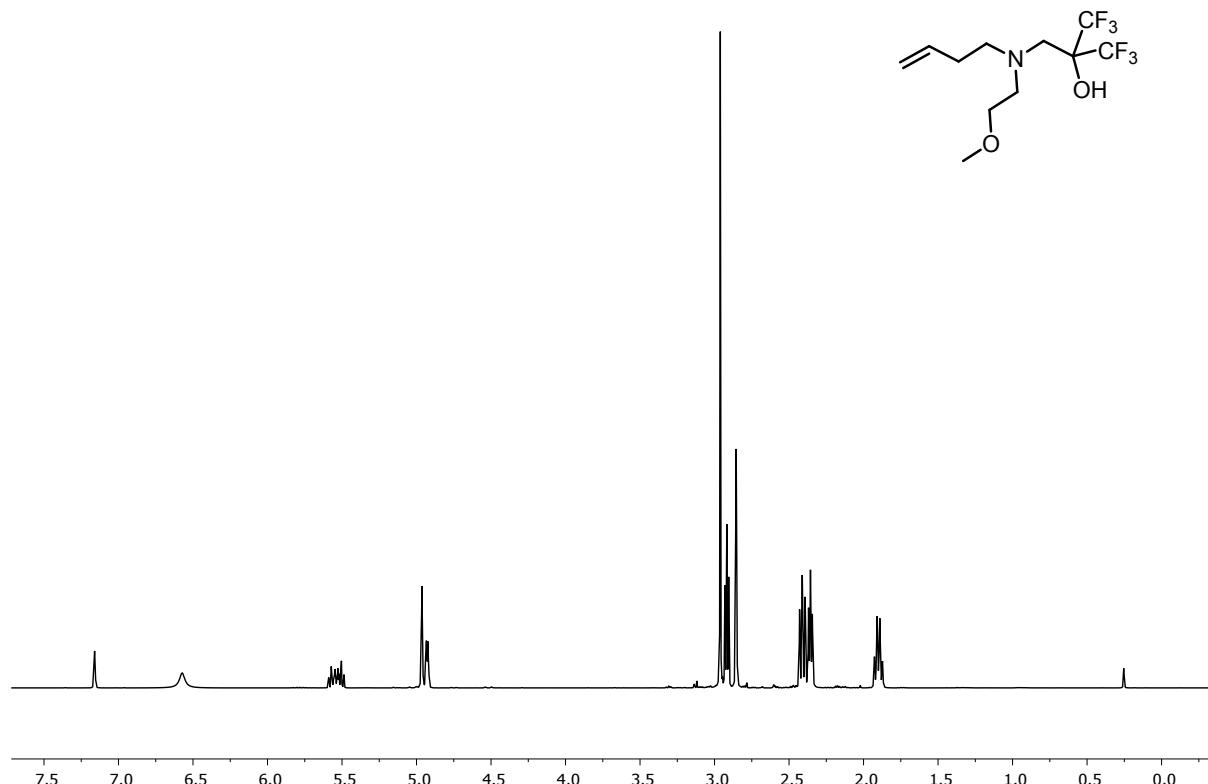
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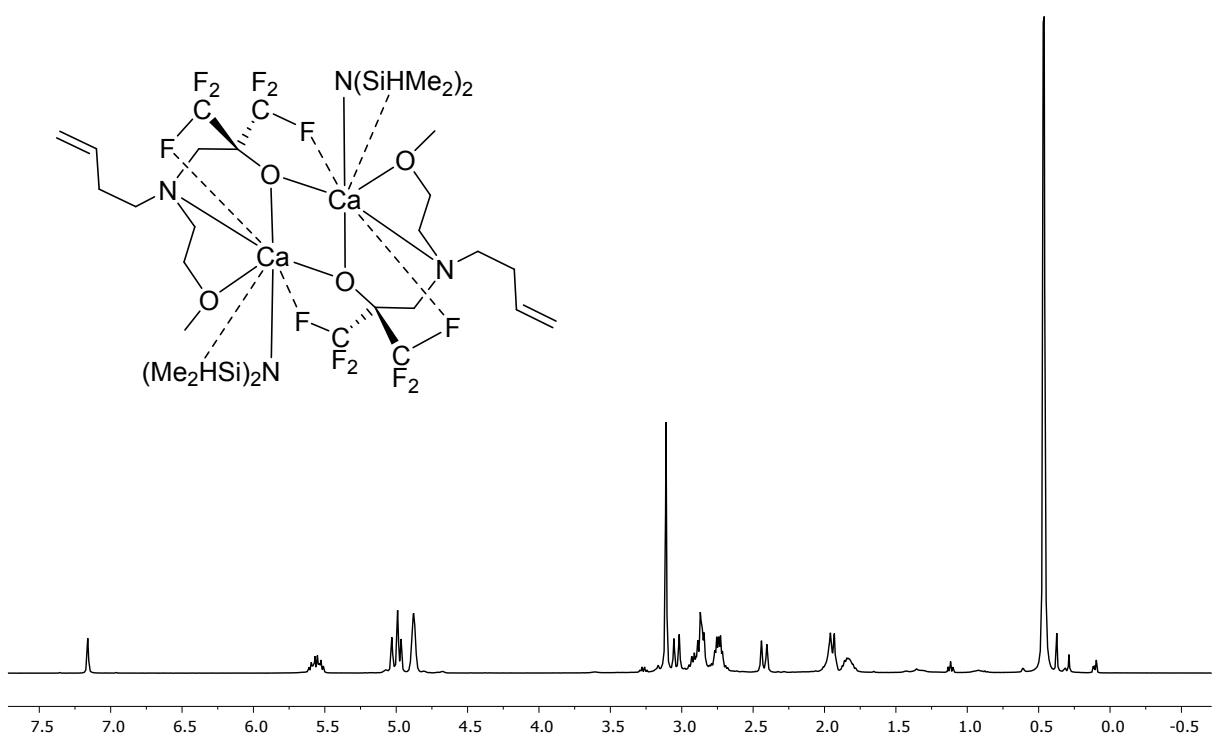
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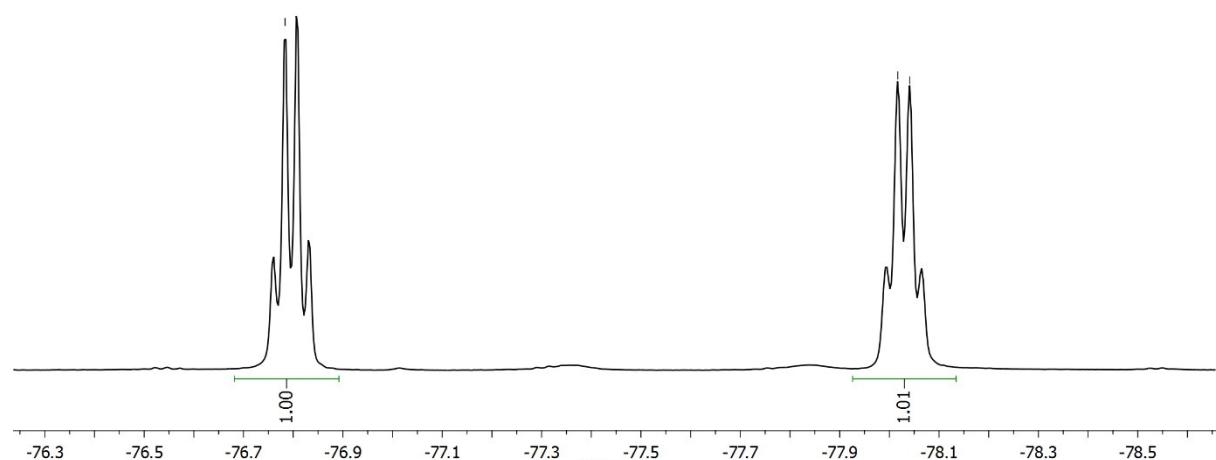
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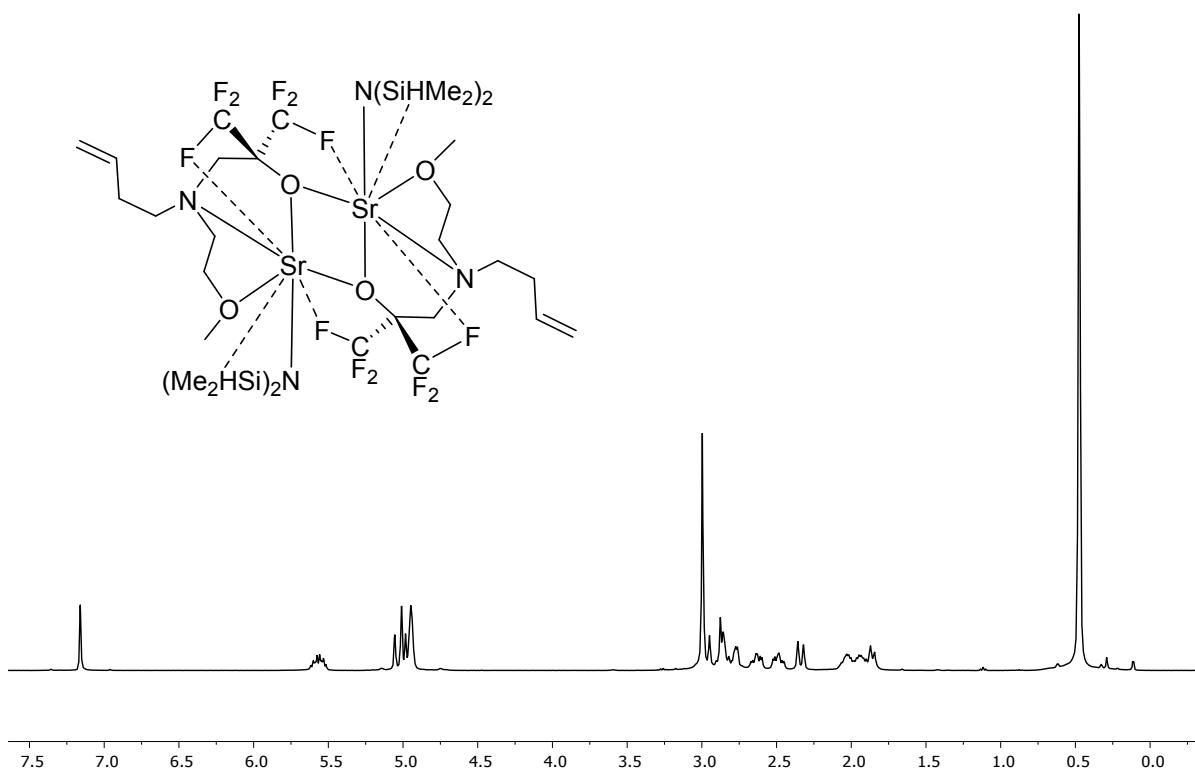
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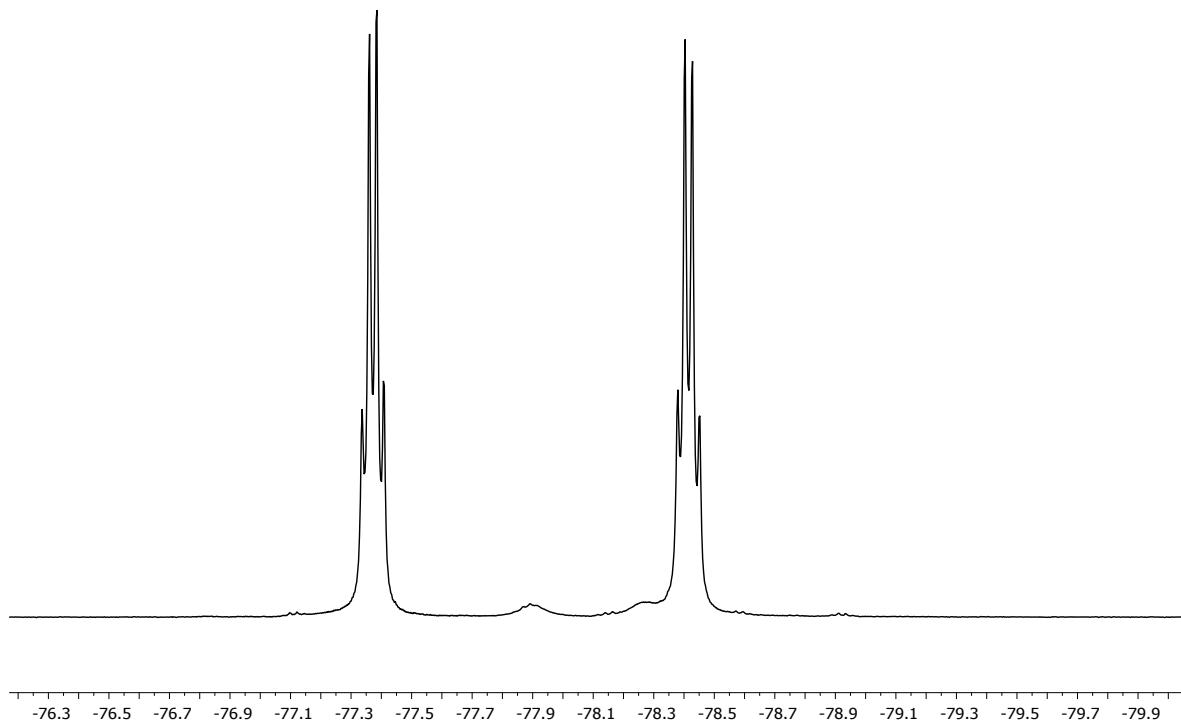
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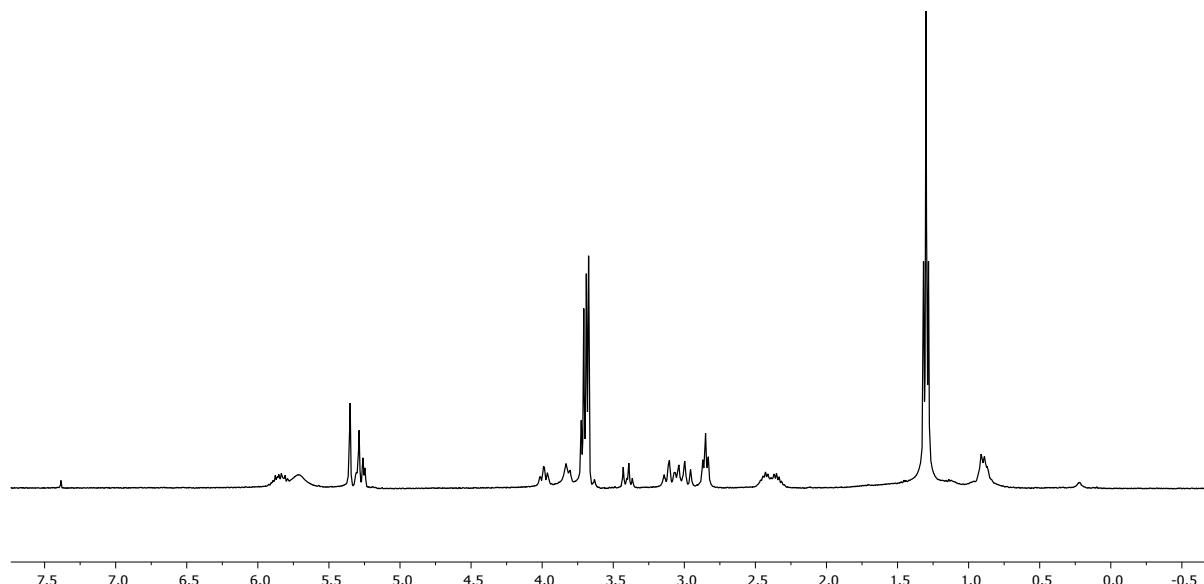
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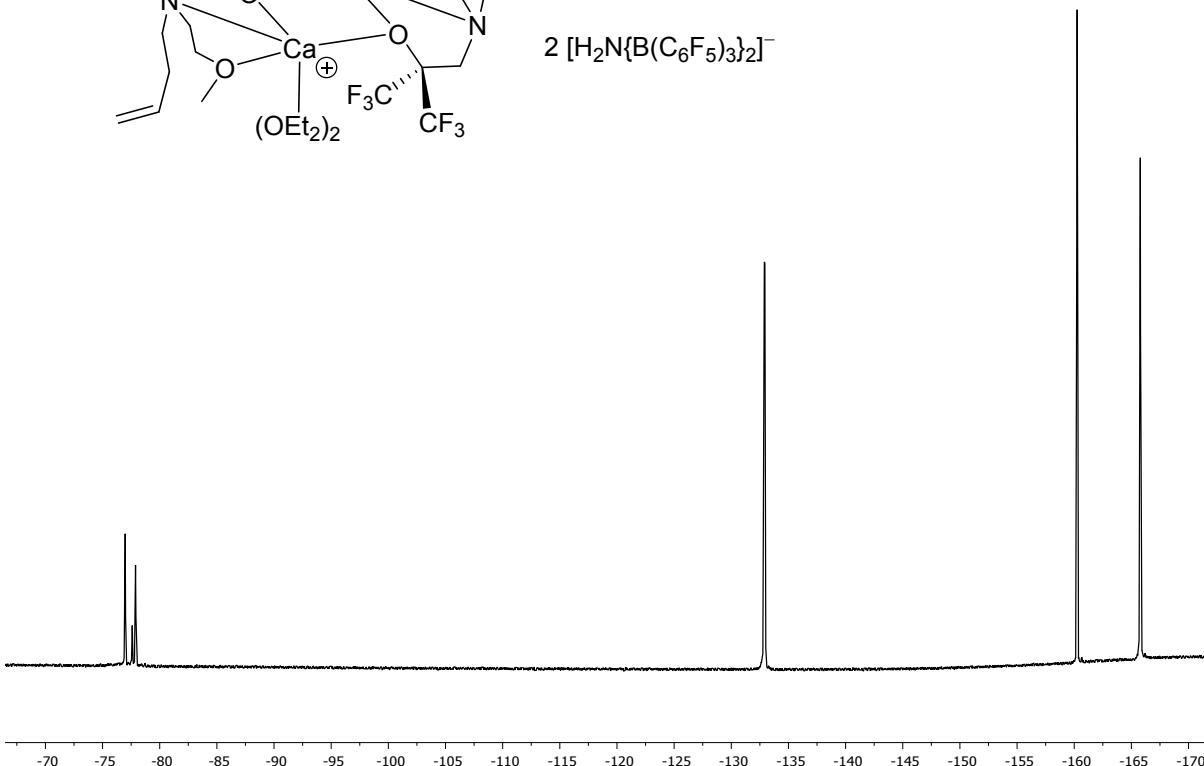
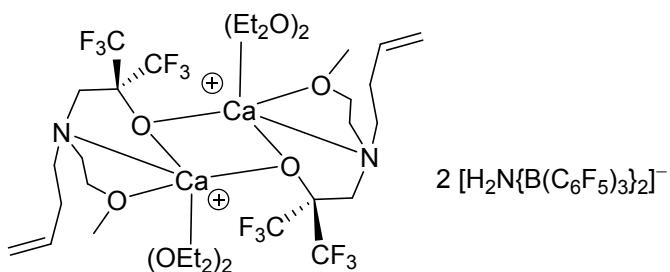
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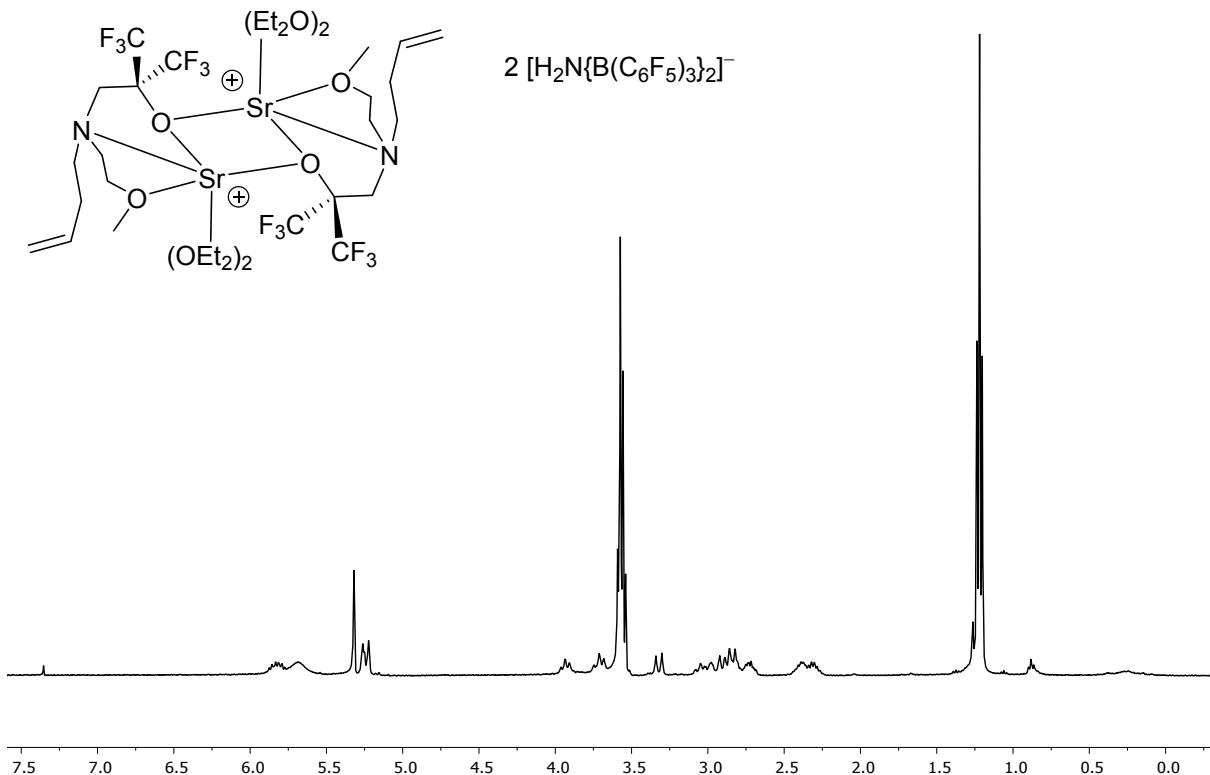
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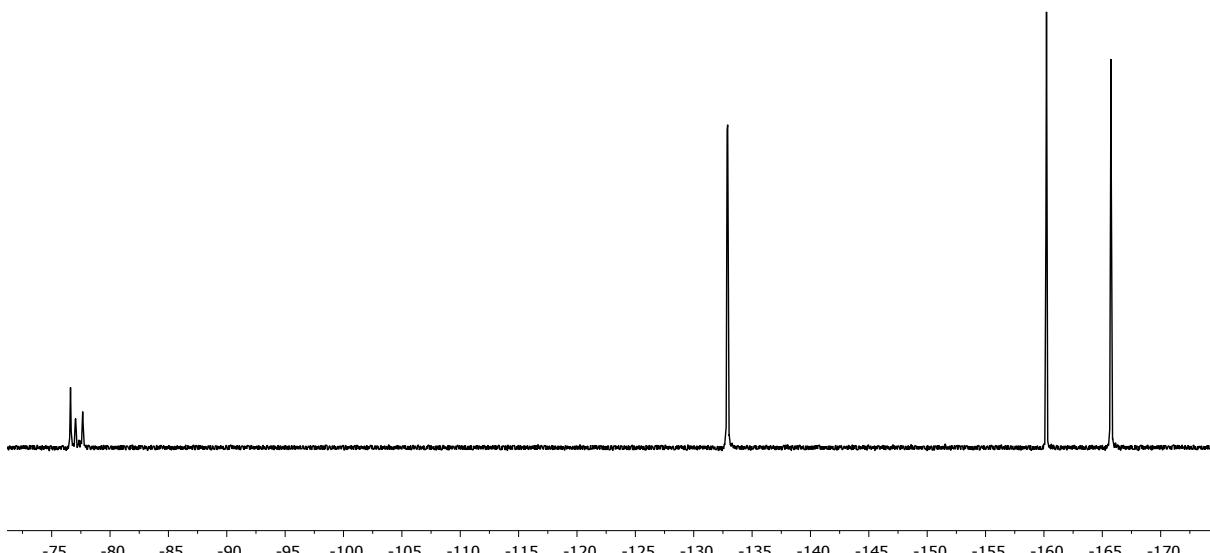
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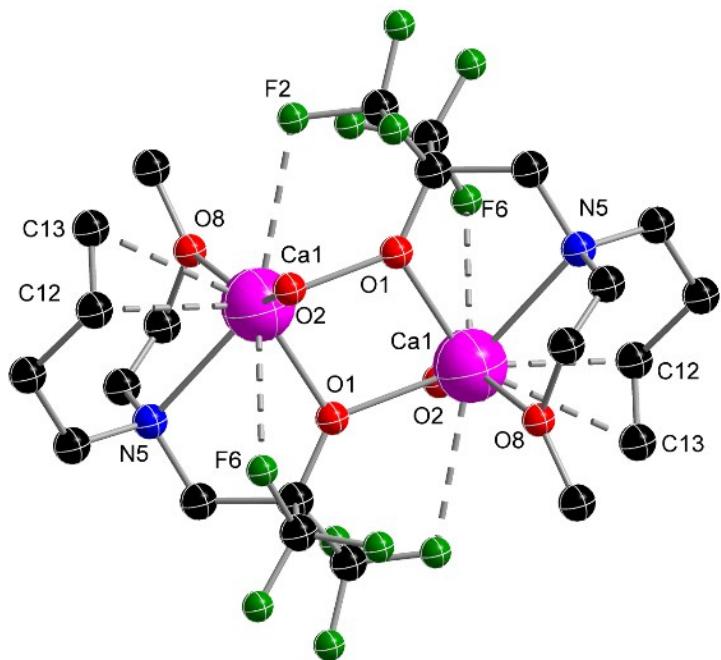
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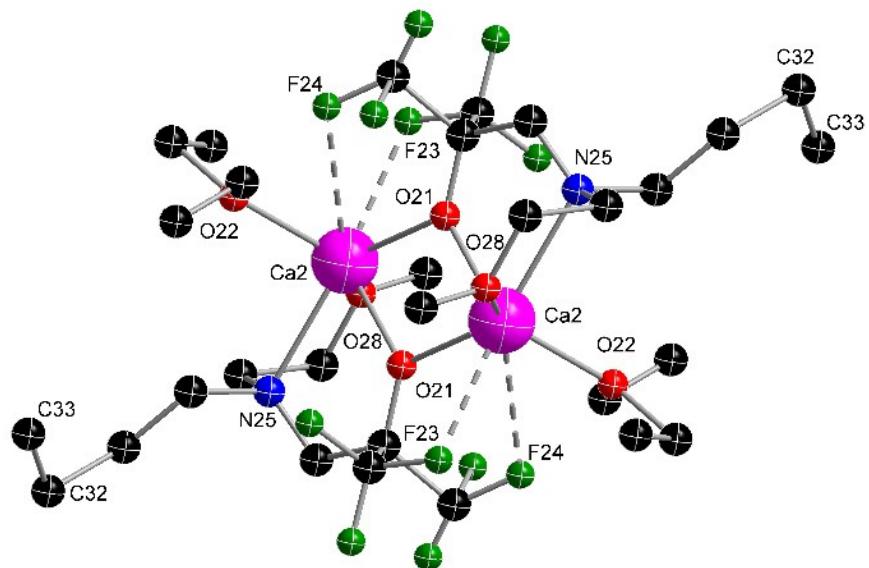
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**Figure S9.**  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum (376.47 MHz) of  $[(\{\mu^2\text{-RO}^F\}\text{Sr}\bullet(\text{Et}_2\text{O})_2)_2]^{2+} \cdot 2[\text{H}_2\text{N}\{\text{B}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_3\}_2]^-$  (**4a**) at 298 K in dichloromethane- $d_2$ .



**Figure S10.** Molecular structures of the cation in  $\left[\left(\{\mu^2\text{-RO}^F\}\text{Ca}\cdot(\text{H}_2\text{O})\right)_2\right]^{2+}\cdot2[\text{H}_2\text{N}\{\text{B}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_3\}_2]^-$ , obtained by recrystallisation of **3a**. The anions and hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity purposes. Metric parameters are not given due to the poor quality of the crystal structure.



**Figure S11.** Molecular structures of the cation in  $[(\{\mu^2\text{-RO}^F\}\text{Ca}\bullet(\text{Et}_2\text{O}))_2]^{2+} \cdot 2[\text{H}_2\text{N}\{\text{B}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_3\}_2]^-$ , obtained by recrystallisation of **3a**. The anions and hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity purposes. Metric parameters are not given due to the poor quality of the crystal structure.