

Supporting information for the manuscript

Facile N-functionalization and strong magnetic communication in a diuranium(V) bis-nitride complex

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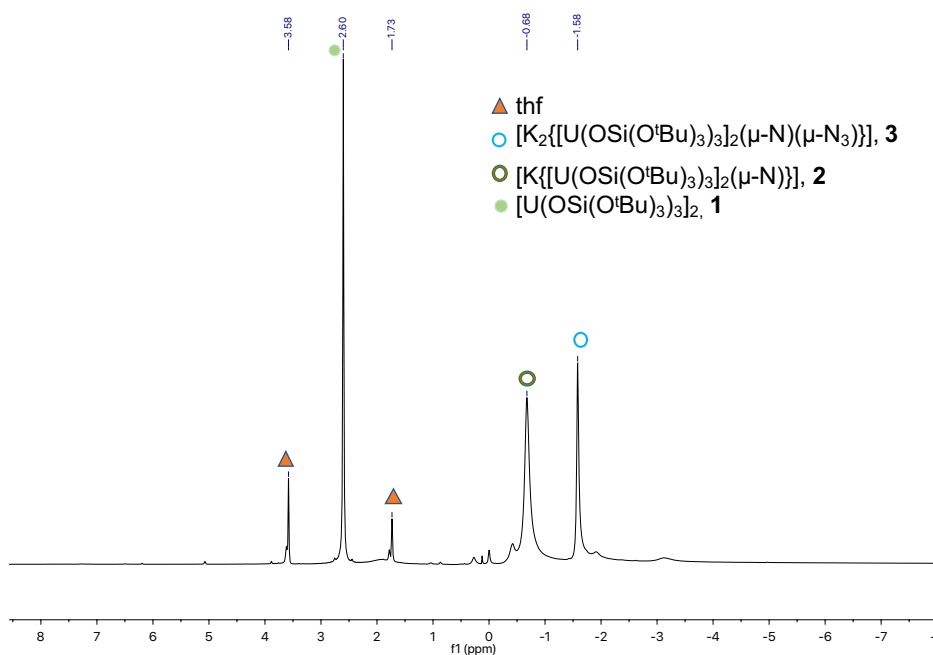


Fig. S1: 1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -thf of the crude reaction mixture between $[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2$, **1** and one equivalent of KN_3 in thf after 4 days at $-40^\circ C$ leading to a mixture of complex $[K\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)\}]$, **2** and complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)(\mu-N_3)\}]$, **3**

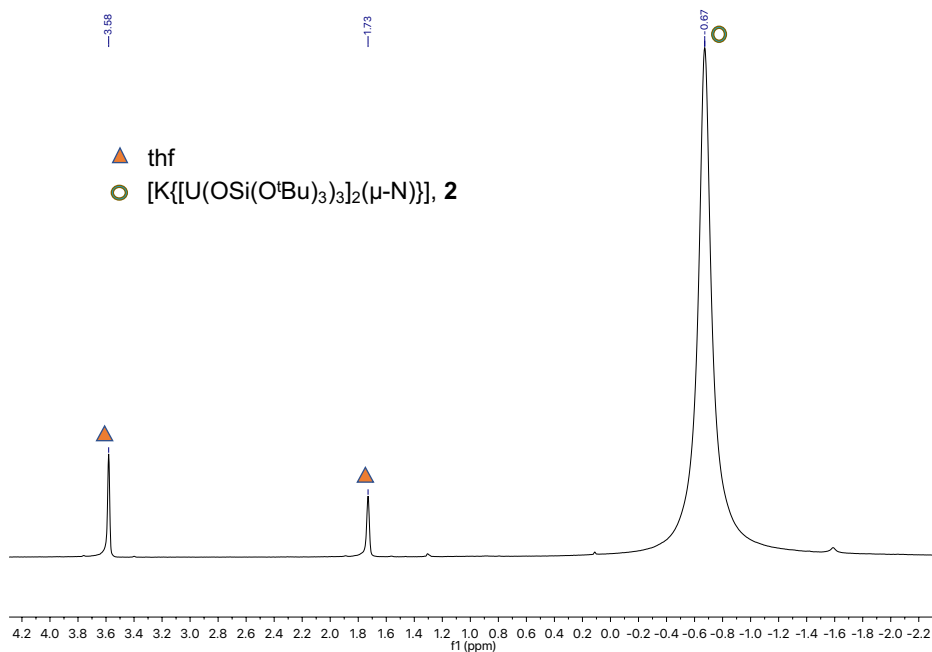


Fig. S2: 1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -thf of isolated $[K\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)\}]$, **2**

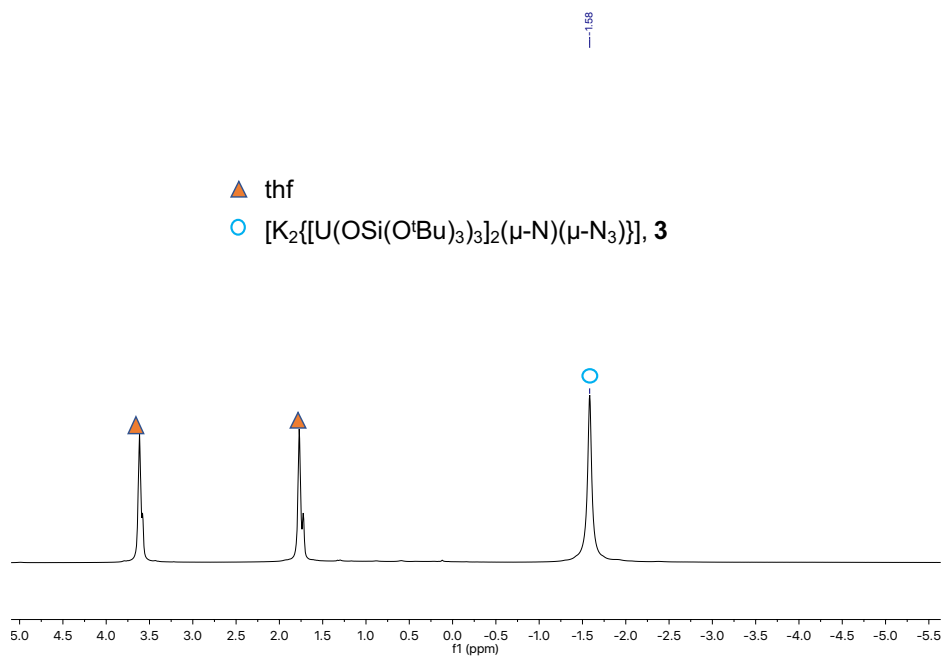


Fig. S3: 1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -thf of the reaction mixture between $[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2$, **1** and two equivalents of KN_3 in thf at $-40^\circ C$ for 5 days forming complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)(\mu-N_3)\}], 3$

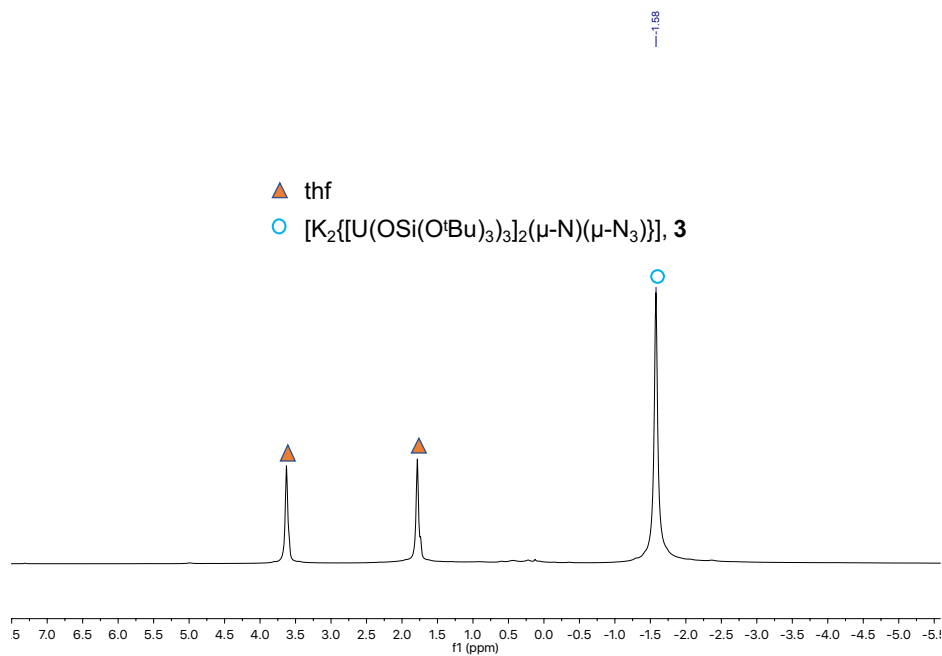


Fig. S4: 1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -thf of isolated $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)(\mu-N_3)\}], 3$

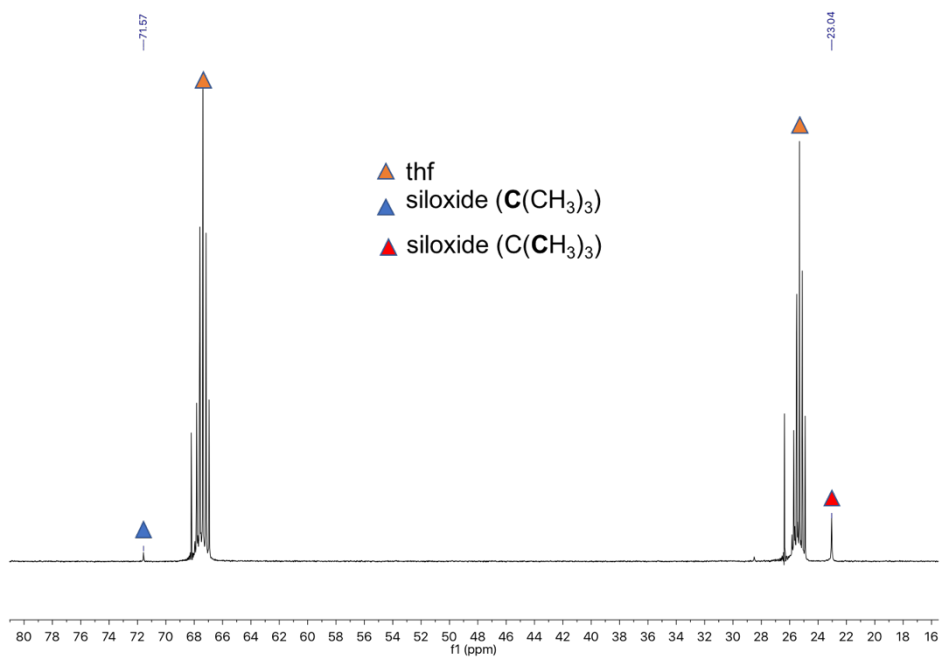


Fig. S5: ^{13}C -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -thf of isolated $[\text{K}_2\{\text{U}(\text{OSi}(\text{O}^t\text{Bu})_3)_3\}_2(\mu\text{-N})(\mu\text{-N}_3)]$, **3**

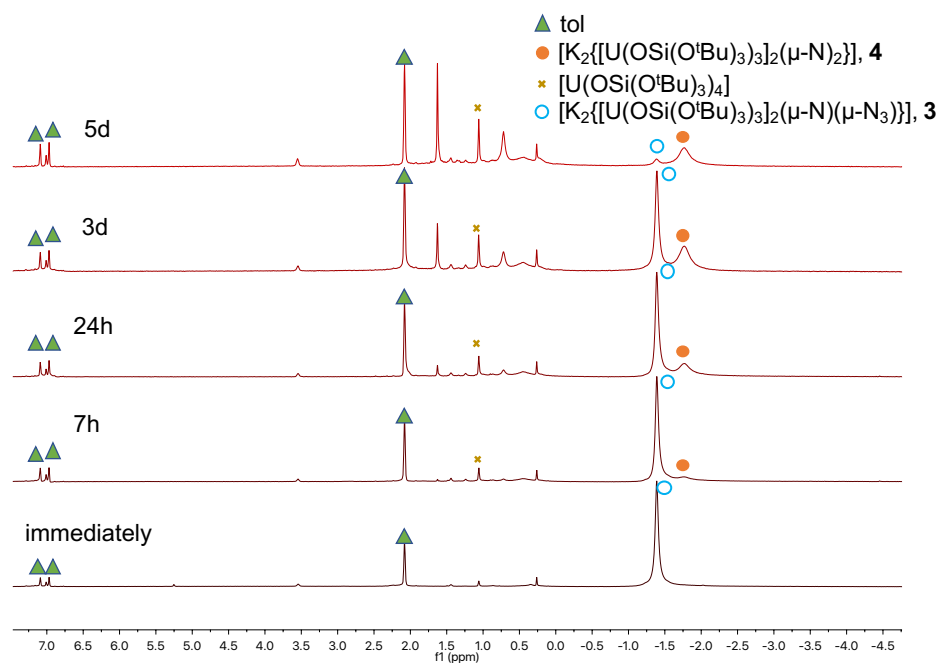


Fig. S6: Evolution of the ^1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of isolated $[\text{K}_2\{\text{U}(\text{OSi}(\text{O}^t\text{Bu})_3)_3\}_2(\mu\text{-N})(\mu\text{-N}_3)]$, **3** at room temperature

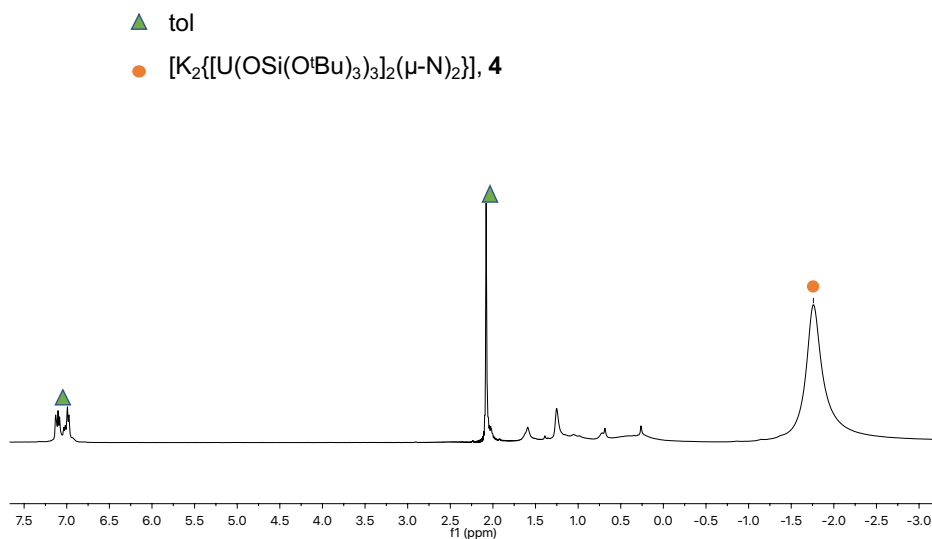


Fig. S7: 1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of isolated $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)(\mu-N_3)\}]$, **3** after 24h at 70°C affording complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)_2\}]$, **4**

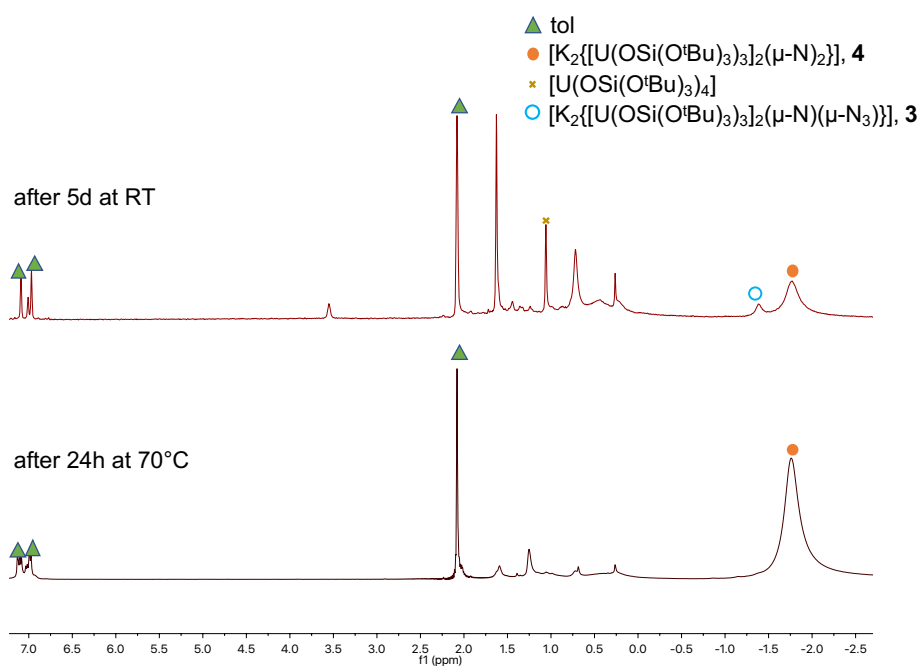


Fig. S8: 1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)(\mu-N_3)\}]$, **3**, after 5 days at RT (top) and after 24h at 70°C (bottom).

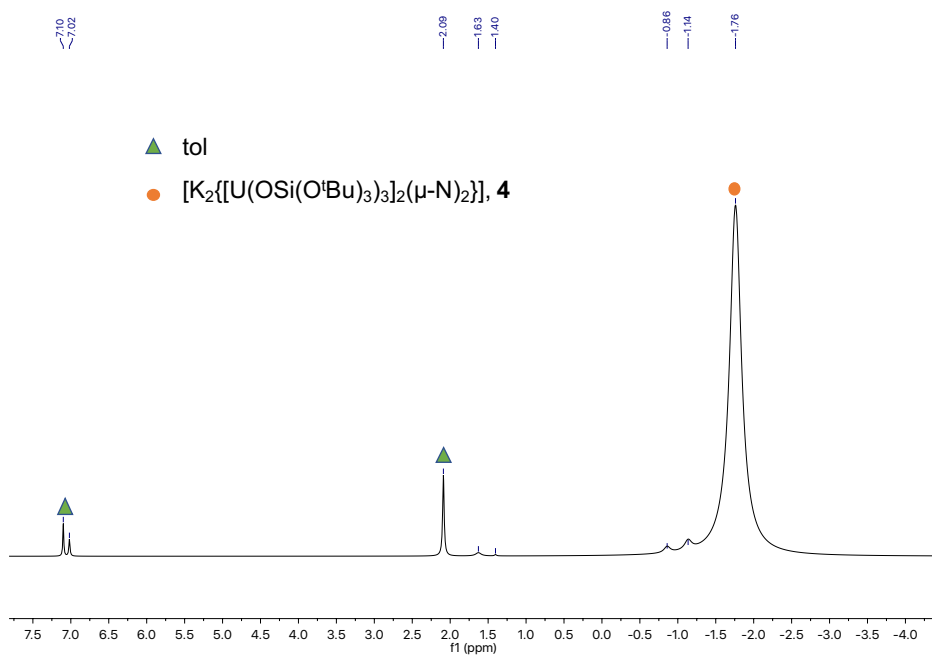


Fig. S9: 1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of isolated $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_2(\mu-N)_2]\}, 4$

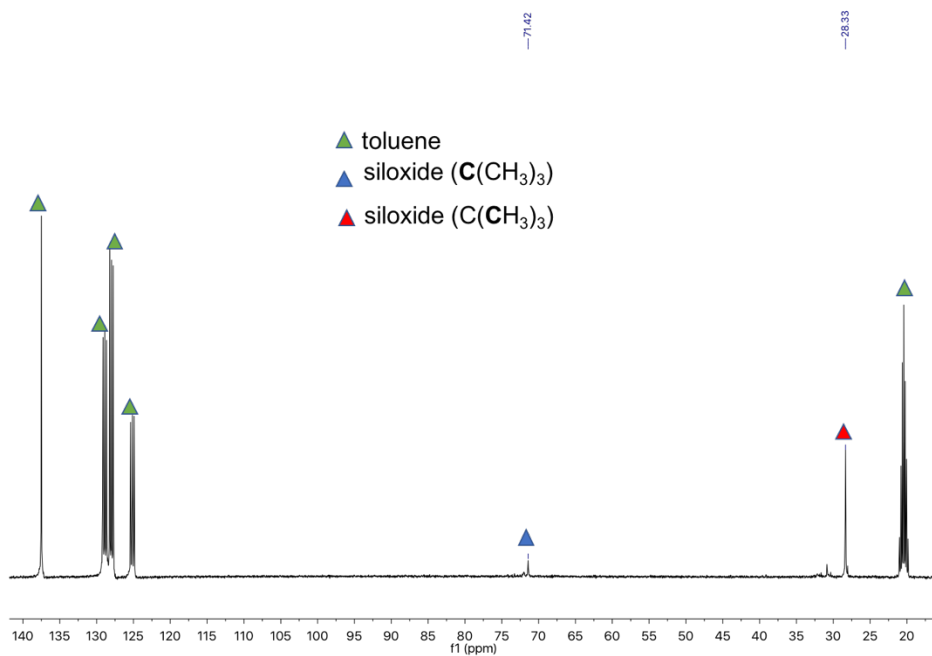


Fig. S10: ^{13}C -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of isolated $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_2(\mu-N)_2]\}, 4$

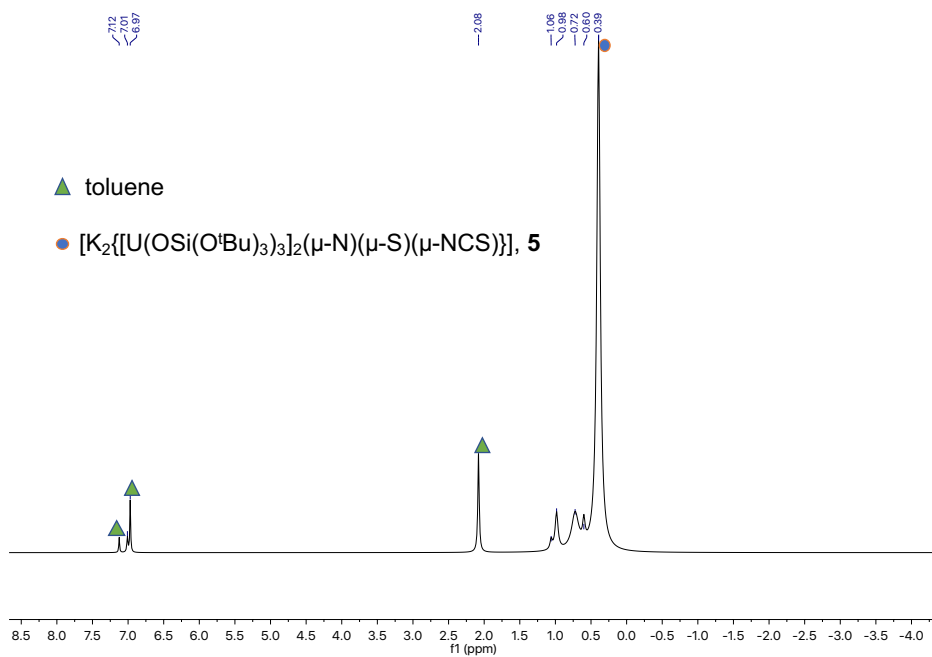


Fig. S11: 1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of the reaction mixture 6h after the addition of one equivalent of CS_2 to $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)_2\}]$, **4** affording complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)(\mu-S)(\mu-NCS)\}]$, **5**

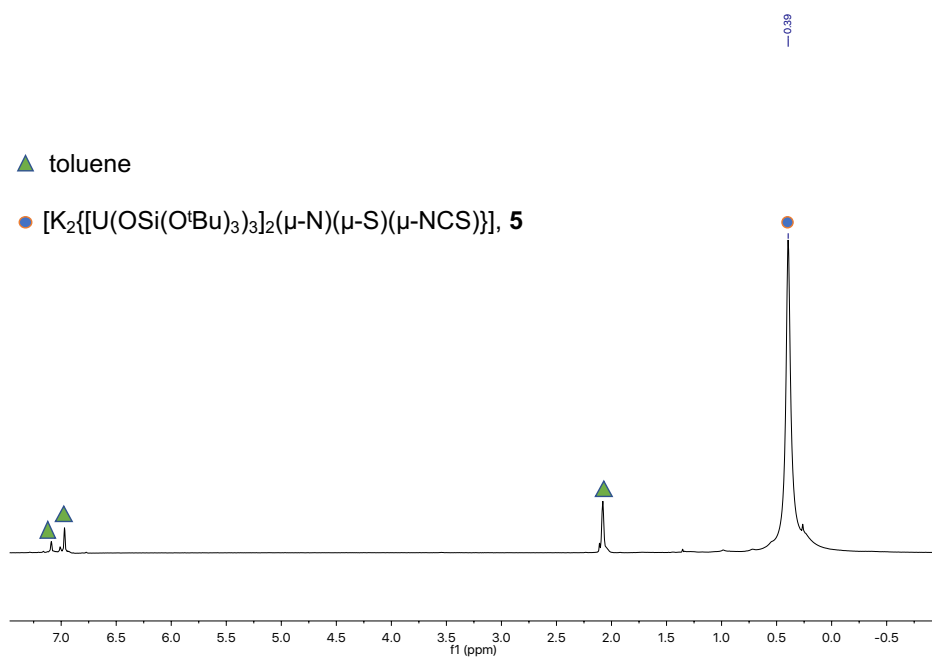


Fig. S12: 1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of isolated $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)(\mu-S)(\mu-NCS)\}]$, **5**

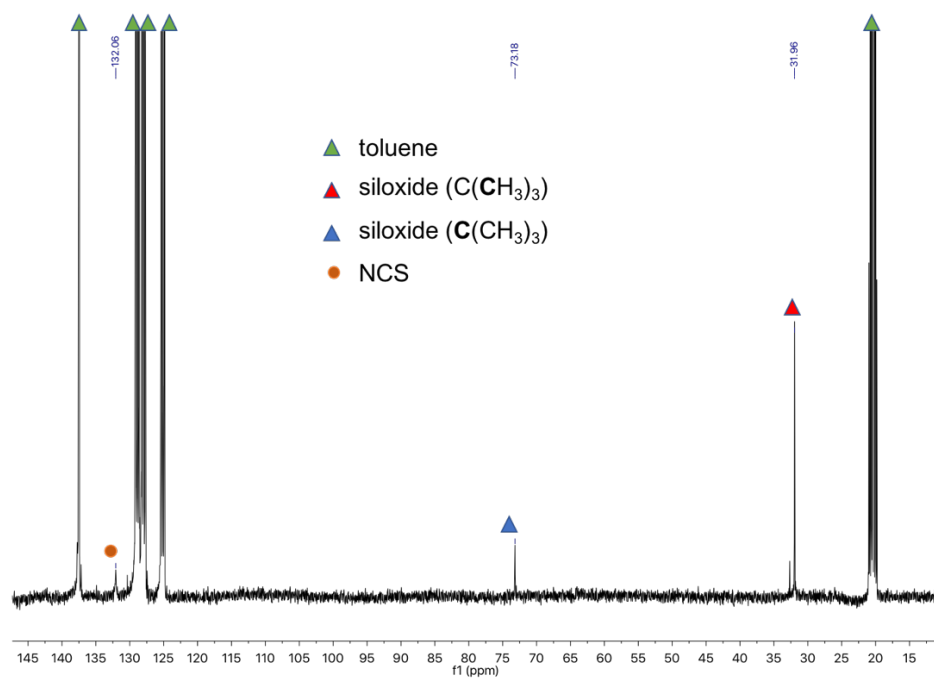


Fig. S13: ^{13}C -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of isolated $[\text{K}_2\{[\text{U}(\text{OSi}(\text{O}^t\text{Bu})_3)_3]_2(\mu\text{-N})(\mu\text{-S})(\mu\text{-N}^{13}\text{CS})\}]$, ^{13}C -5

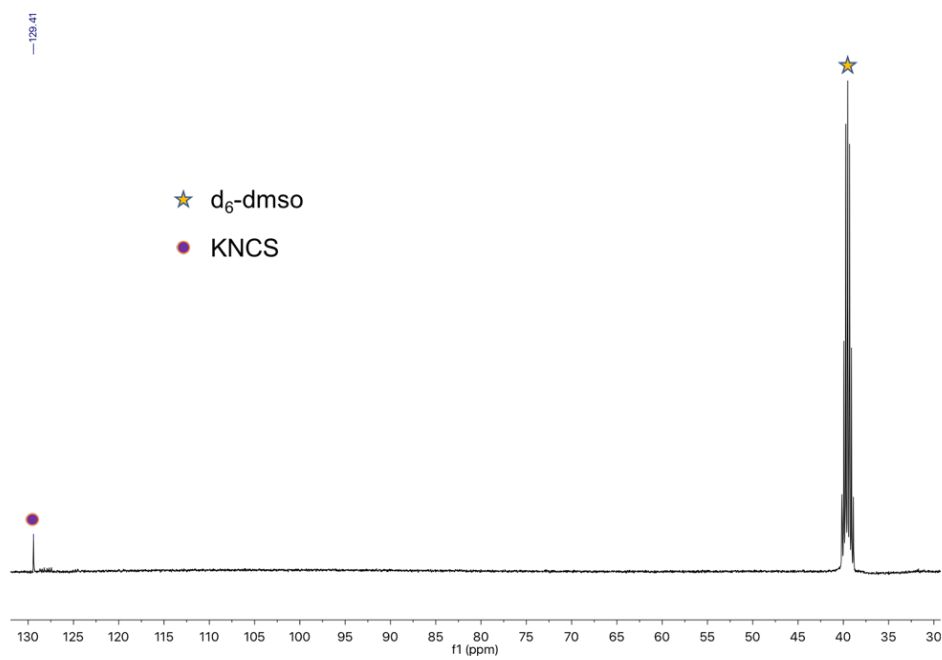


Fig. S14: ^{13}C -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_6 -dmso of isolated $[\text{K}_2\{[\text{U}(\text{OSi}(\text{O}^t\text{Bu})_3)_3]_2(\mu\text{-N})(\mu\text{-S})(\mu\text{-N}^{13}\text{CS})\}]$, ^{13}C -5

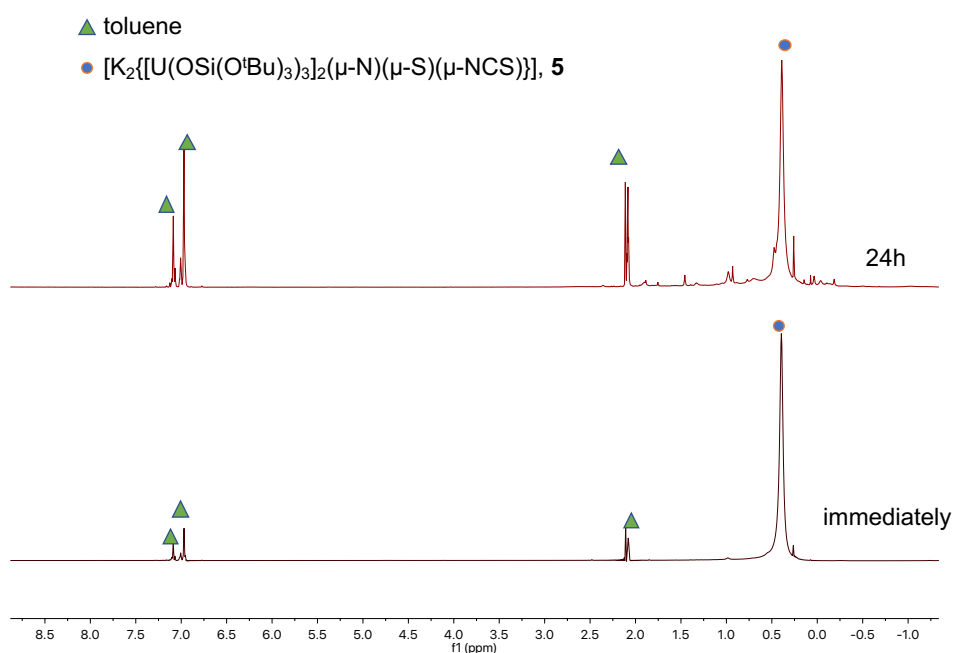


Fig. S15: Evolution of the 1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of the reaction mixture between $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)_2\}]$, 4 and 10 equivalents of $^{13}CS_2$ affording complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)(\mu-S)(\mu-N^{13}CS)\}]$, ^{13}C -5 and an unidentified precipitate

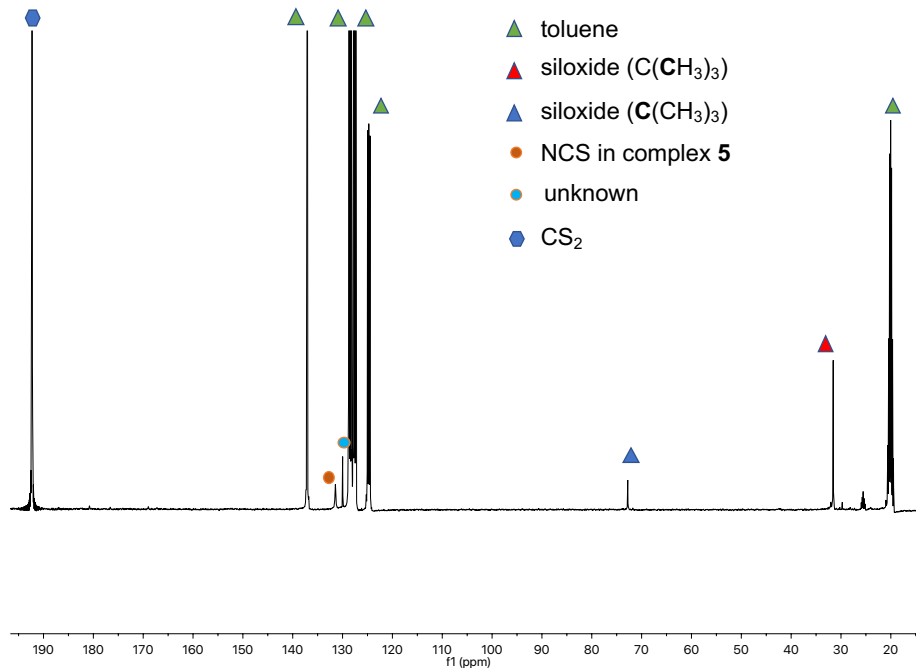


Fig. S16: ^{13}C -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of the reaction mixture between $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)_2\}]$, 4 and 10 equivalents of $^{13}CS_2$

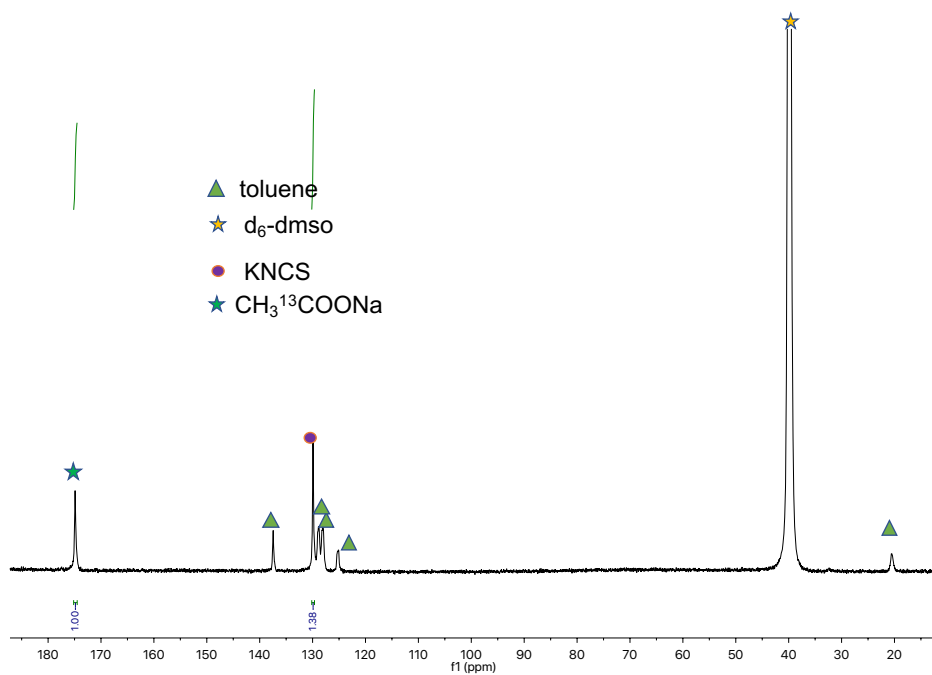


Fig. S17: Quantitative ¹³C-NMR (600 MHz) at 298 K in d₆-dmsO of the reaction mixture between [K₂{[U(OSi(O^tBu)₃)₃]₂(μ-N)₂}], 4 and 10 equivalents of ¹³CS₂

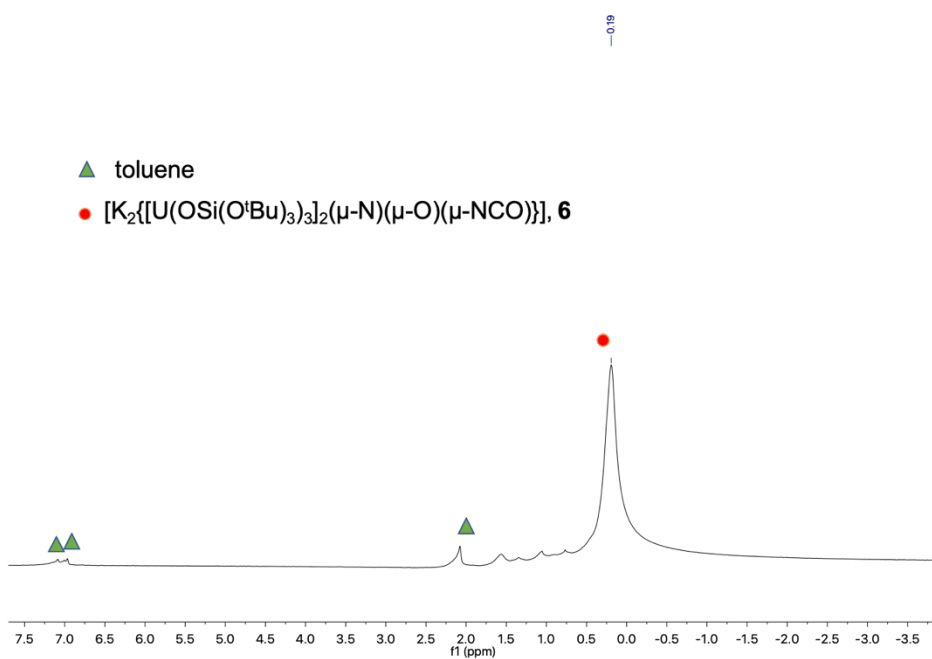


Fig. S18: ¹H-NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d₈-tol of the reaction mixture immediately after the addition of one equivalent of CO₂ to [K₂{[U(OSi(O^tBu)₃)₃]₂(μ-N)₂}], 4 affording complex [K₂{[U(OSi(O^tBu)₃)₃]₂(μ-N)(μ-O)(μ-NCO))], 6

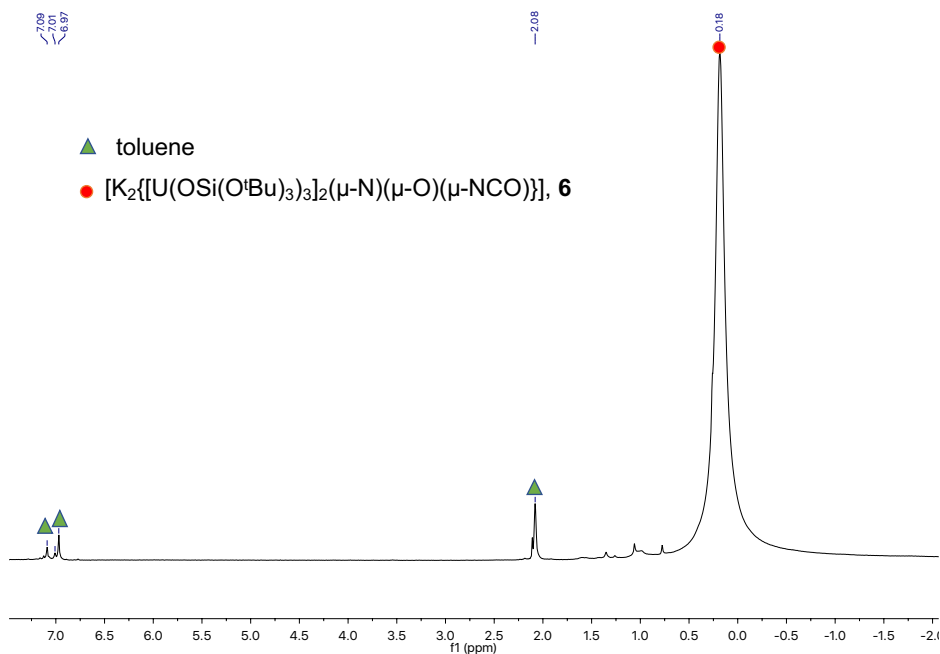


Fig. S19: 1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of isolated $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)(\mu-O)(\mu-NCO)\}]$, **6**

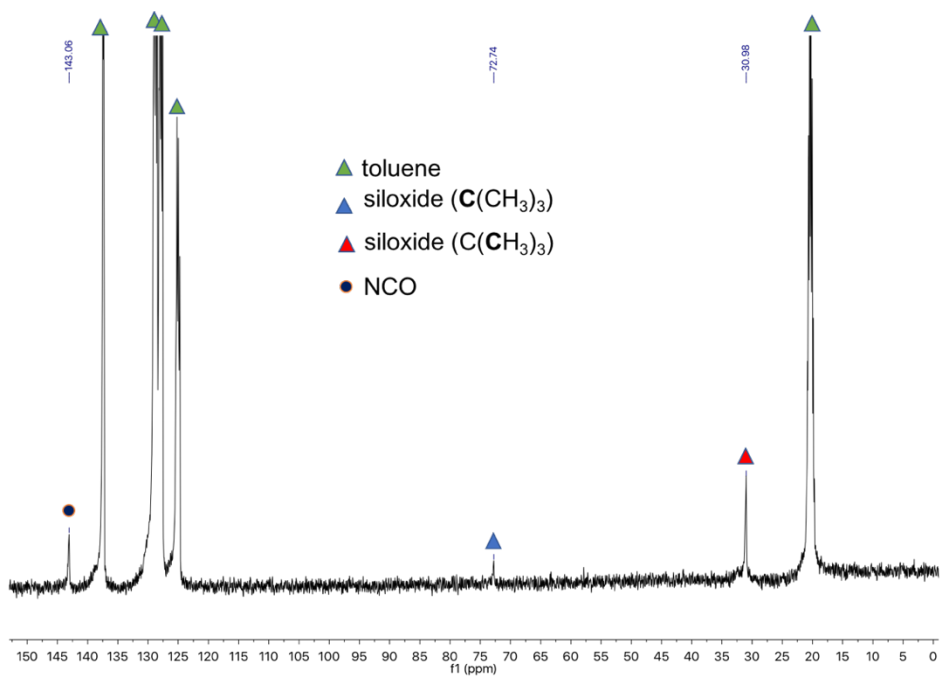


Fig. S20: ^{13}C -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of isolated $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)(\mu-O)(\mu-N^{13}CO)\}]$, ^{13}C -**6**

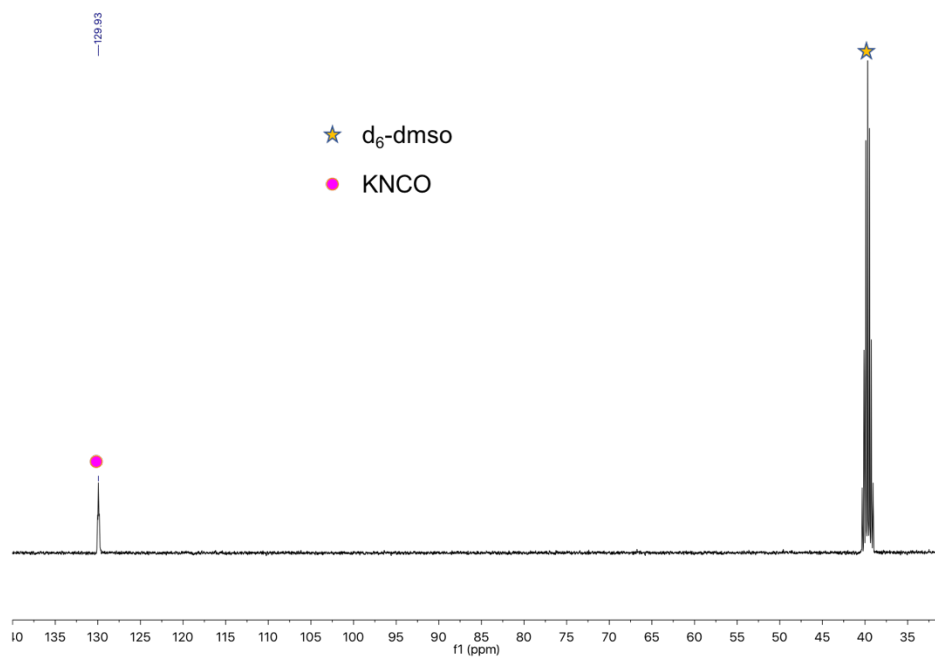


Fig. S21: ^{13}C -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in D_2O using d_6 -dmsO as a reference of isolated $[\text{K}_2\{[\text{U}(\text{OSi}(\text{O}^t\text{Bu})_3)_3]_2(\mu\text{-N})(\mu\text{-O})(\mu\text{-N}^{13}\text{CO})\}]$, ^{13}C -6

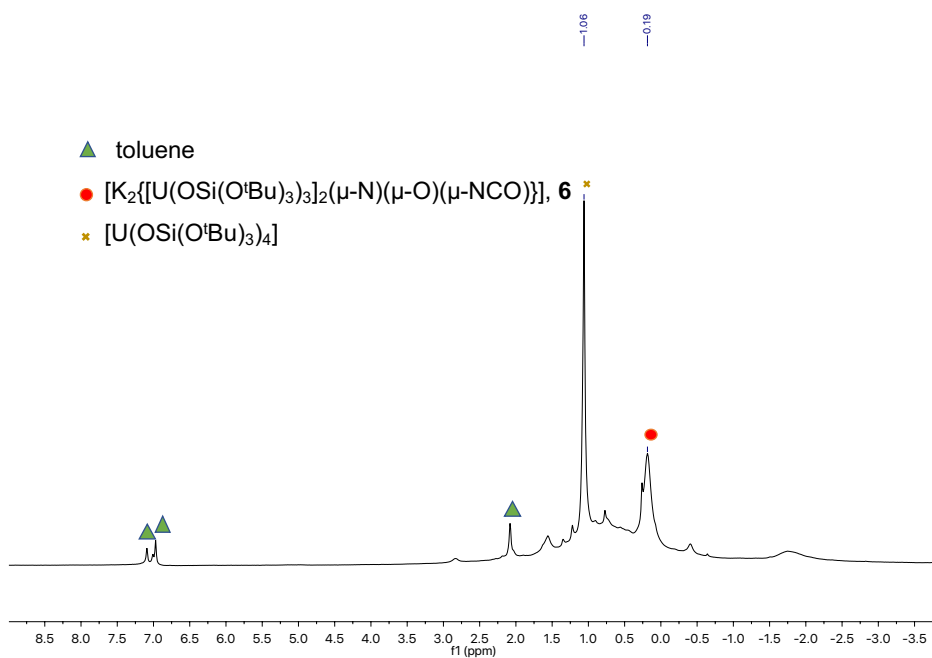


Fig. S22: ^1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of the reaction mixture immediately after the addition of 2 equivalents of CO_2 to complex $[\text{K}_2\{[\text{U}(\text{OSi}(\text{O}^t\text{Bu})_3)_3]_2(\mu\text{-N})_2\}]$, **4**

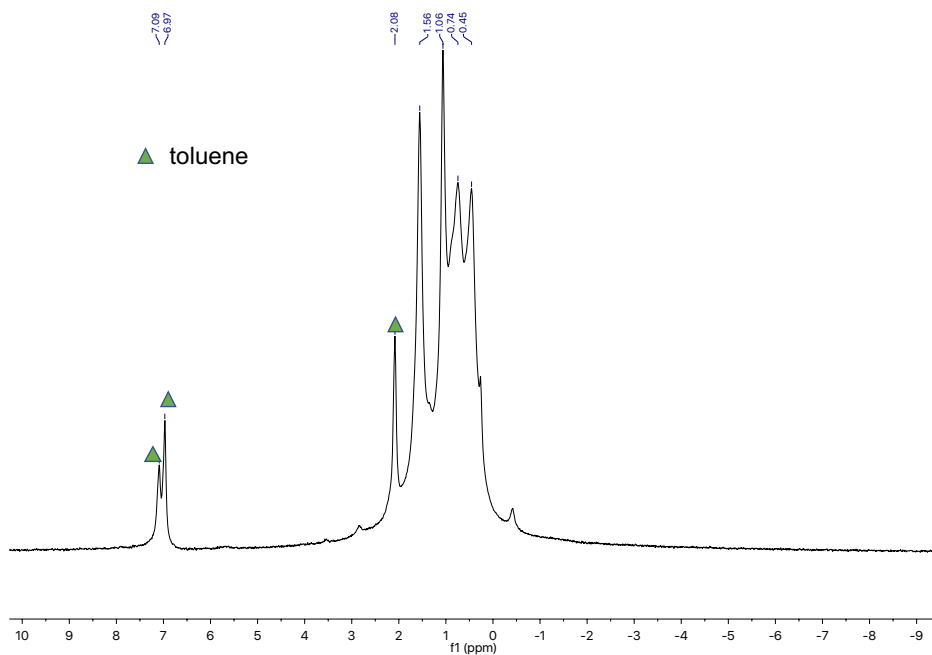


Fig. S23: ^1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of the reaction mixture immediately after the addition of 10 equivalents of $^{13}\text{CO}_2$ to complex $[\text{K}_2\{[\text{U}(\text{OSi}(\text{O}^t\text{Bu})_3)_2(\mu\text{-N})_2]\}]$, **4**

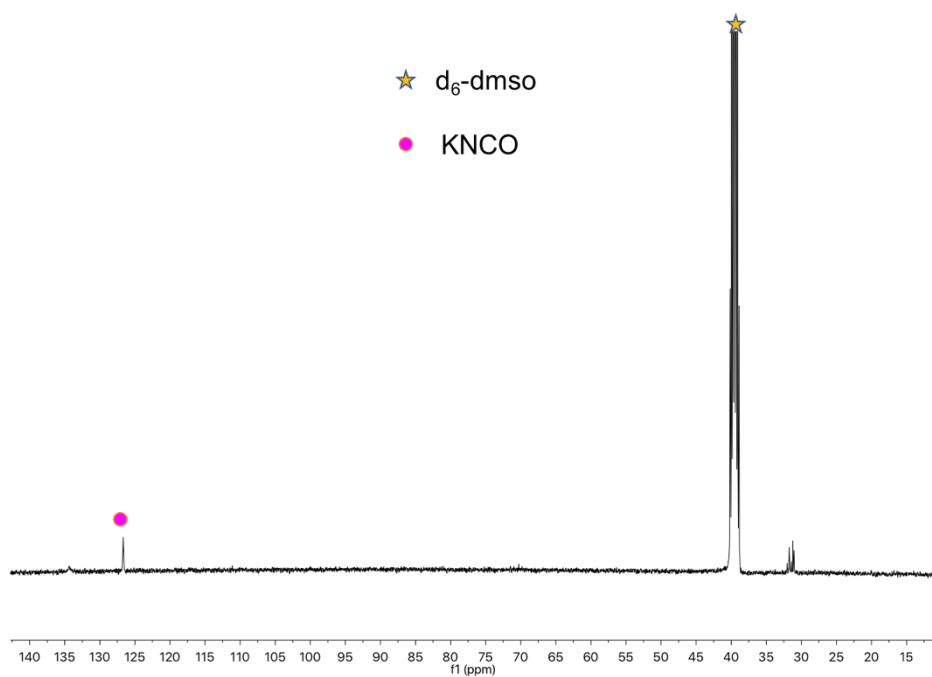


Fig. S24: ^{13}C -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_6 -dmso of the reaction mixture after the addition of 10 eqvs of $^{13}\text{CO}_2$ to complex $[\text{K}_2\{[\text{U}(\text{OSi}(\text{O}^t\text{Bu})_3)_2(\mu\text{-N})_2]\}]$, **4**

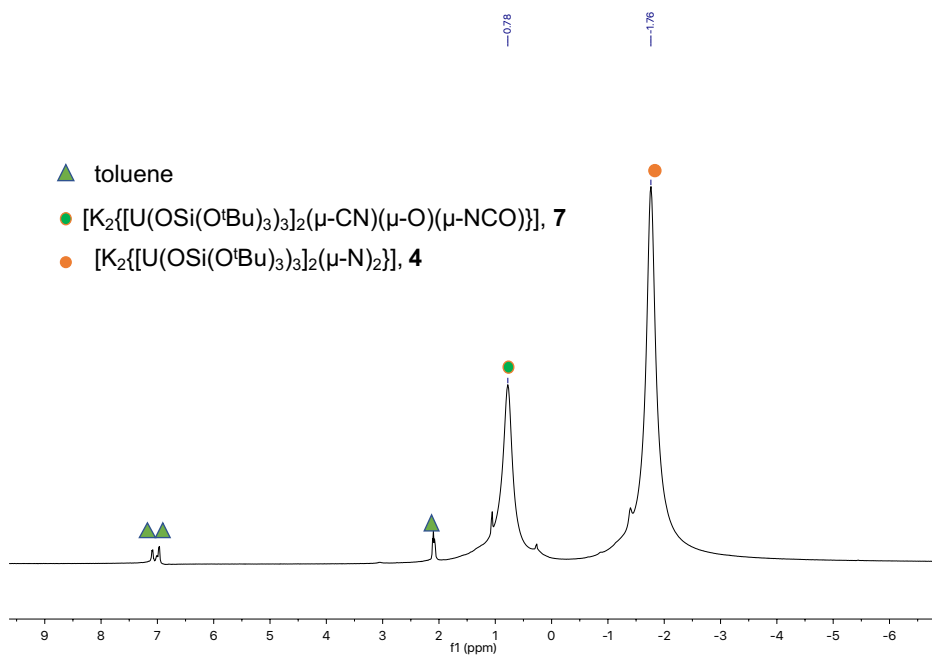


Fig. S25: 1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of the reaction mixture immediately after the addition of 1 eqv of CO to complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_2(\mu-N)_2]\}]$, **4**

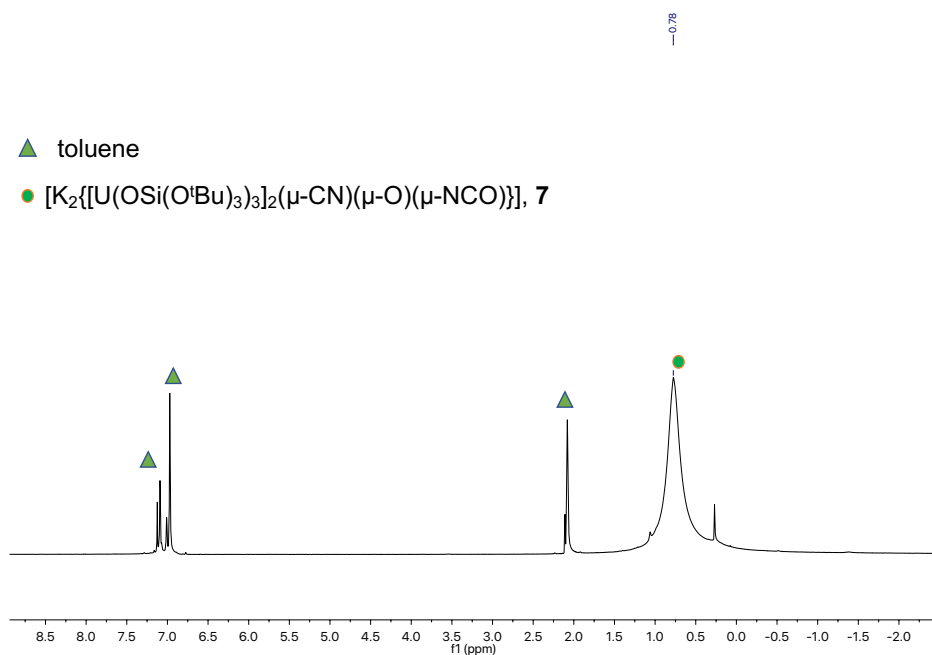


Fig. S26: 1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of the reaction mixture immediately after the addition of 3 eqvs of CO to complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_2(\mu-N)_2]\}]$, **4** affording complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_2(\mu-CN)(\mu-O)(\mu-NCO)]\}]$, **7**

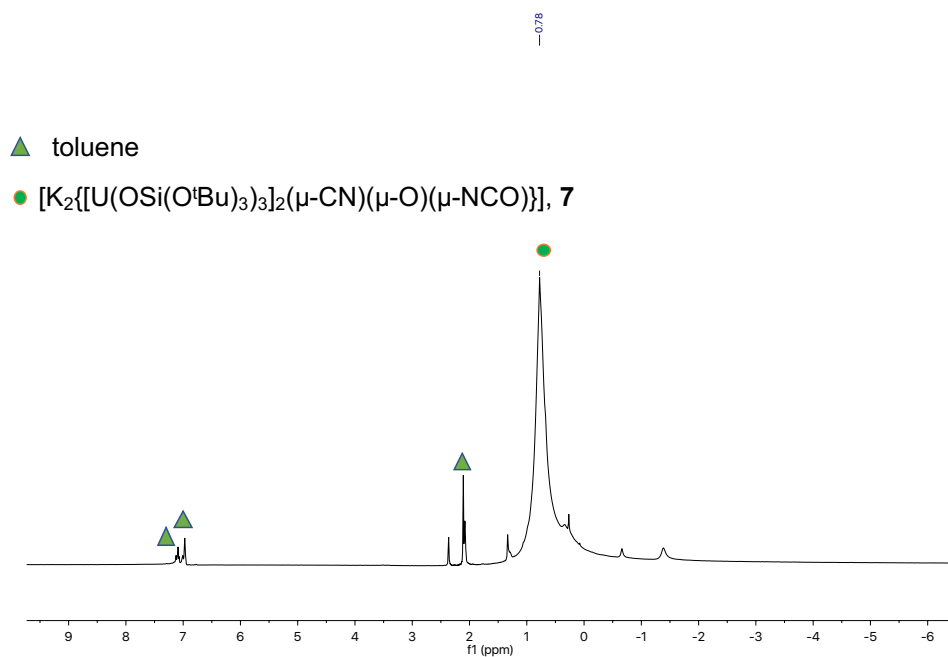


Fig. S27: 1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of the reaction mixture immediately after the addition of 1 atm of CO to complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)_2\}], 4$ affording complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-CN)(\mu-O)(\mu-NCO)\}], 7$

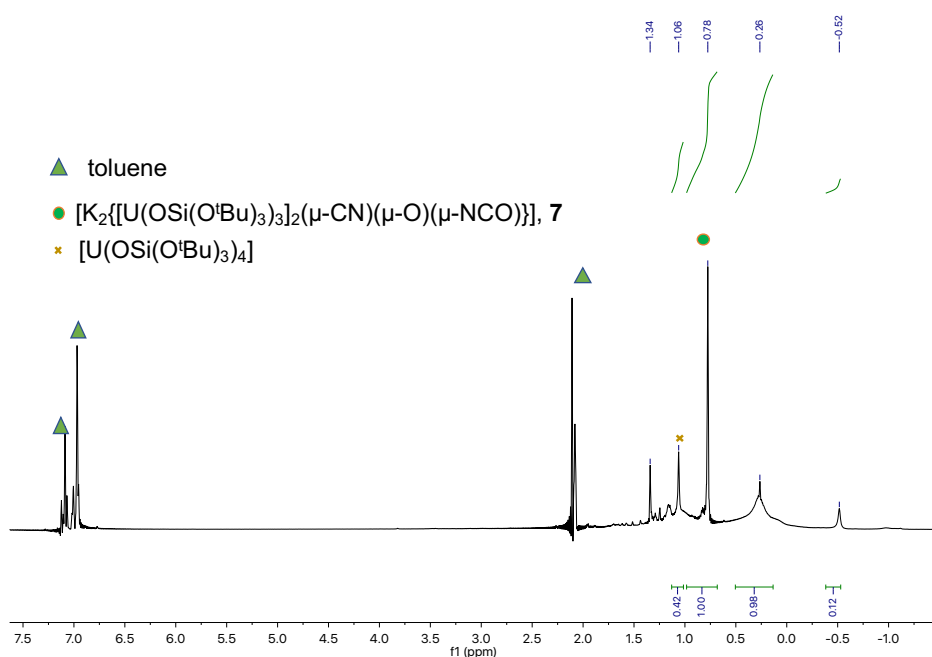


Fig. S28: 1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of the reaction mixture immediately after the addition of 6 atm of CO to complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)_2\}], 4$

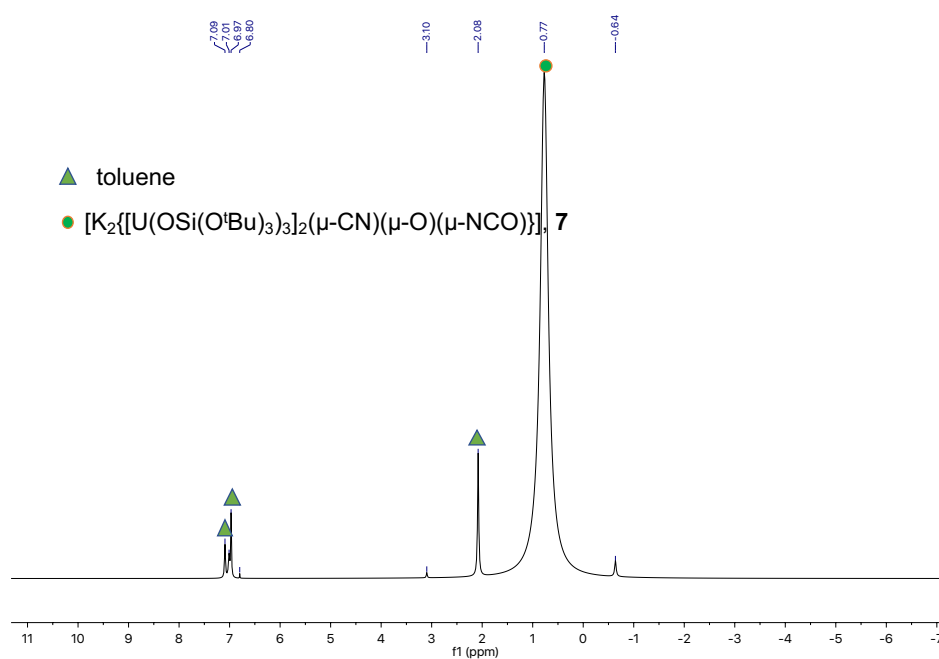


Fig. S29: 1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of isolated $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-CN)(\mu-O)(\mu-NCO)\}]$, 7

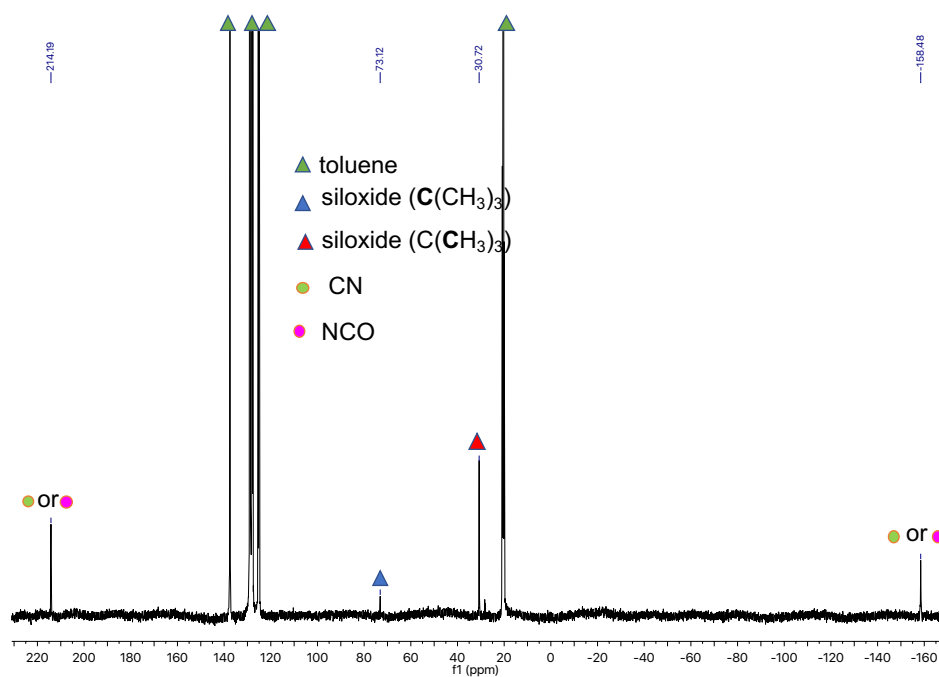


Fig. S30: ^{13}C -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of isolated $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-^{13}CN)(\mu-O)(\mu-N^{13}CO)\}]$, ^{13}C -7

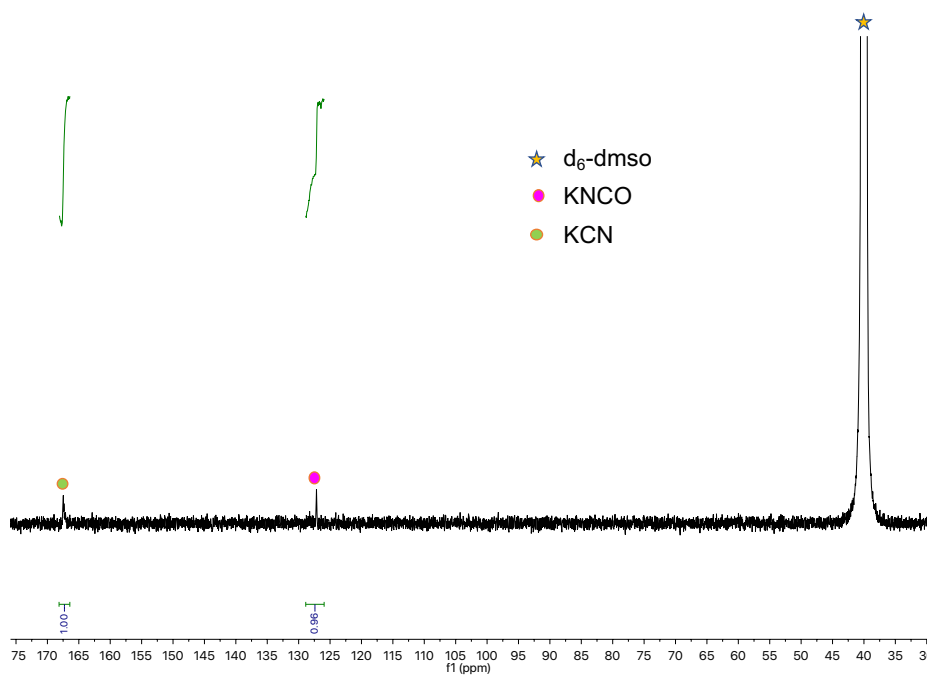


Fig. S31: Quantitative ^{13}C -NMR (600 MHz) at 298 K in d_6 -dmsO of isolated $[\text{K}_2\{\text{U}(\text{OSi}(\text{O}^t\text{Bu})_3)_2\}_2(\mu\text{-}^{13}\text{CN})(\mu\text{-O})(\mu\text{-N}^{13}\text{CO})\}$,

^{13}C -7

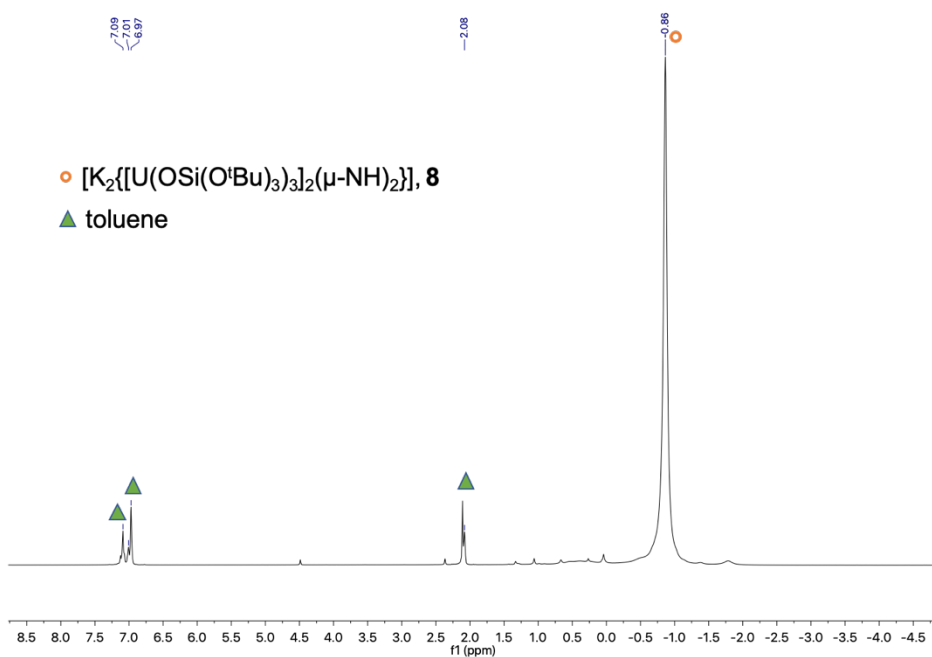


Fig. S32: ^1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of the reaction between complex $[\text{K}_2\{\text{U}(\text{OSi}(\text{O}^t\text{Bu})_3)_2\}_2(\mu\text{-N})_2\}$, **4 and 1 atm of H_2 heated up at 60°C for 1h affording complex $[\text{K}_2\{\text{U}(\text{OSi}(\text{O}^t\text{Bu})_3)_2\}_2(\mu\text{-NH})_2\}$, **8****

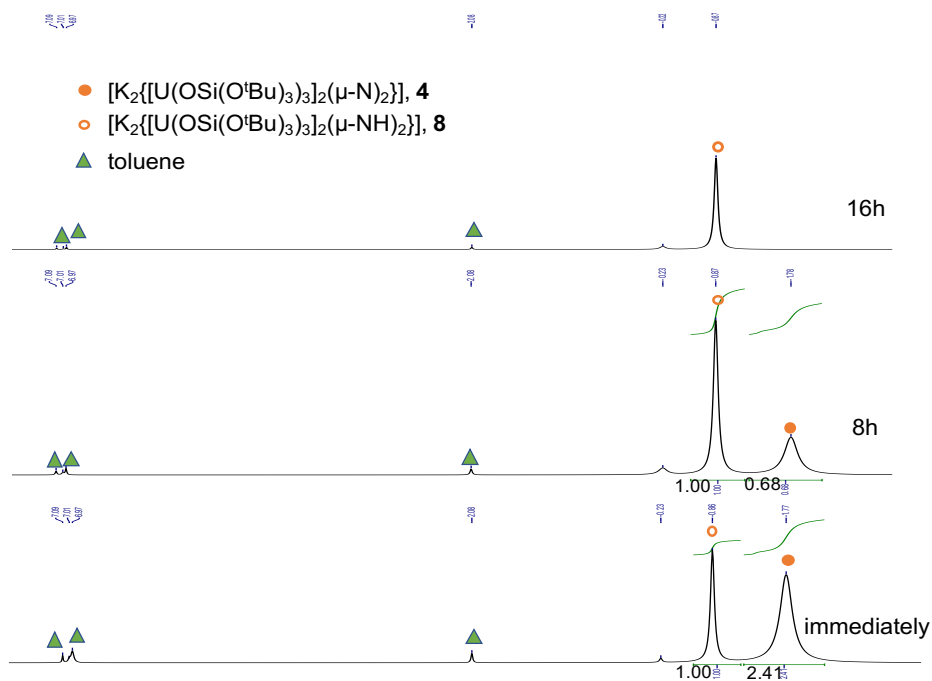


Fig. S33: Evolution of the 1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of the reaction mixture between $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)_2\}]$, **4** and 1 atm of H_2 affording complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-NH)_2\}]$, **8**

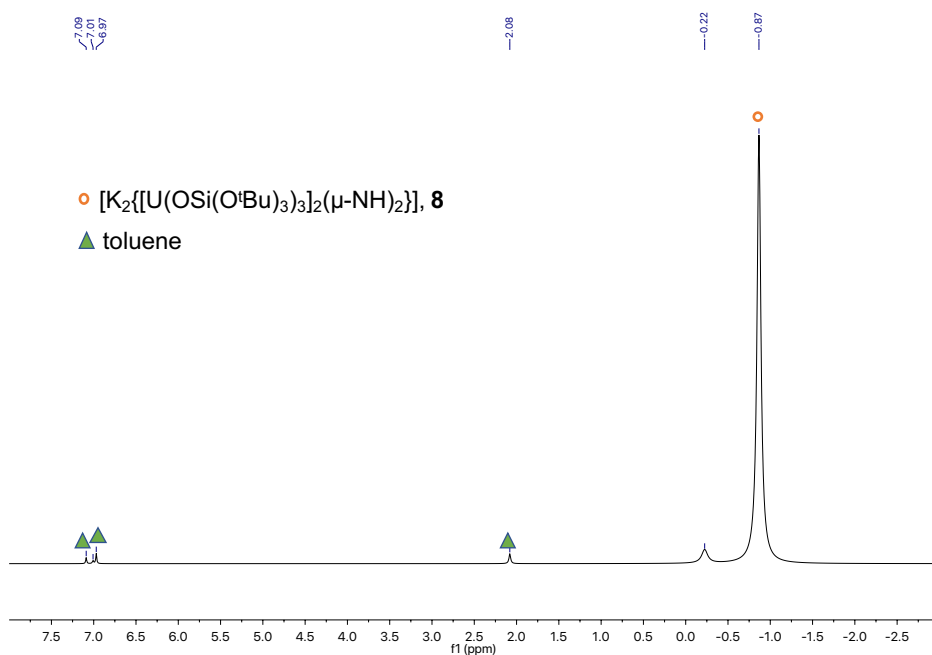


Fig. S34: 1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of the reaction between complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)_2\}]$, **4** and 1 atm of H_2 after 16h at RT affording complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-NH)_2\}]$, **8**

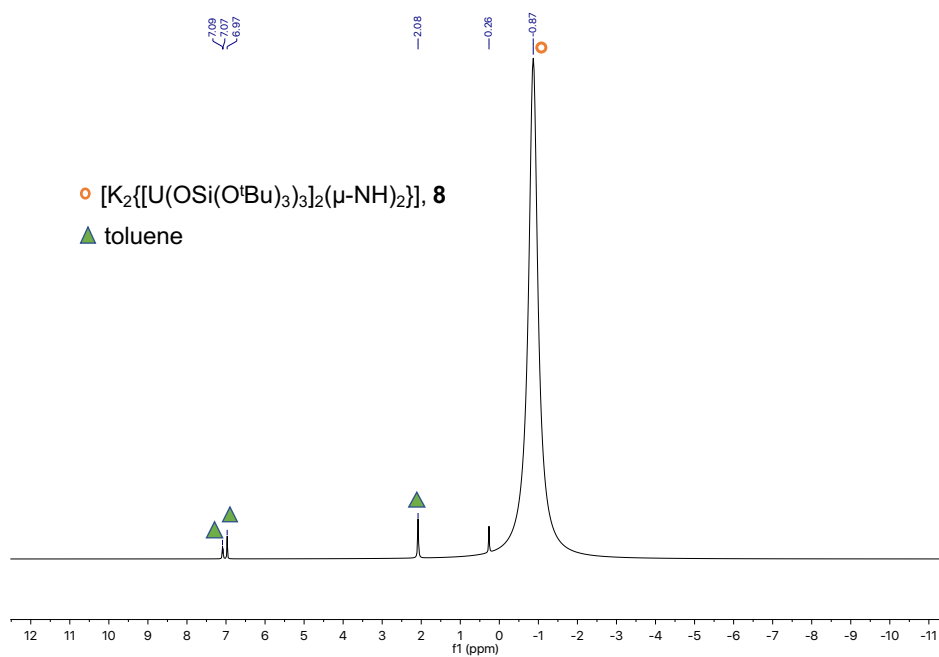


Fig. S35: ¹H-NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in *d*₈-tol of isolated [K₂{[U(OSi(O^tBu)₃)₃]₂(μ-NH)₂}], **8**

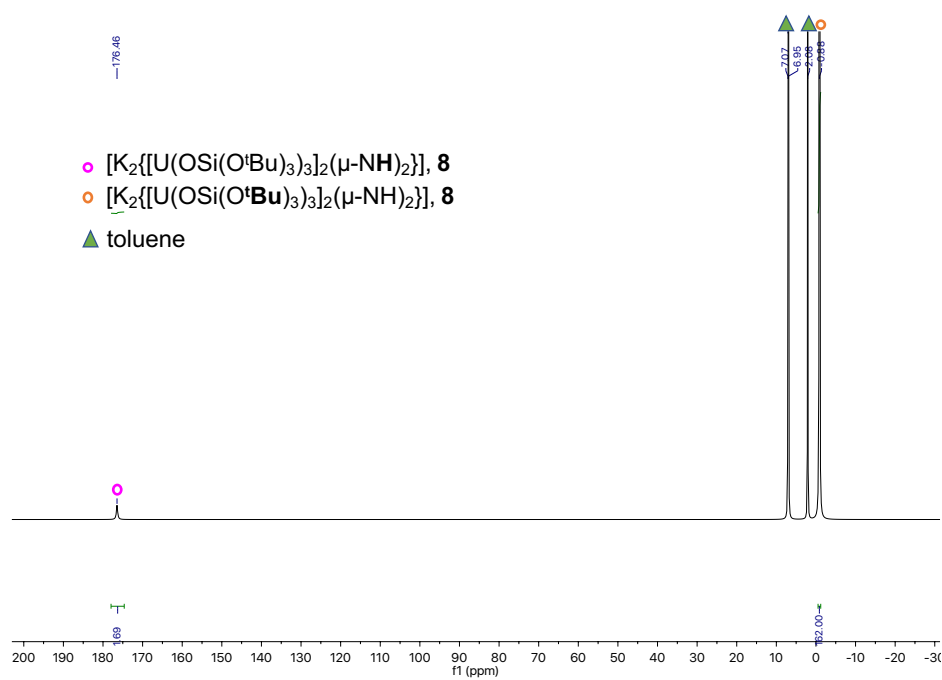


Fig. S36: ¹H-NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in *d*₈-tol of isolated [K₂{[U(OSi(O^tBu)₃)₃]₂(μ-NH)₂}], **8** on a broader spectral window

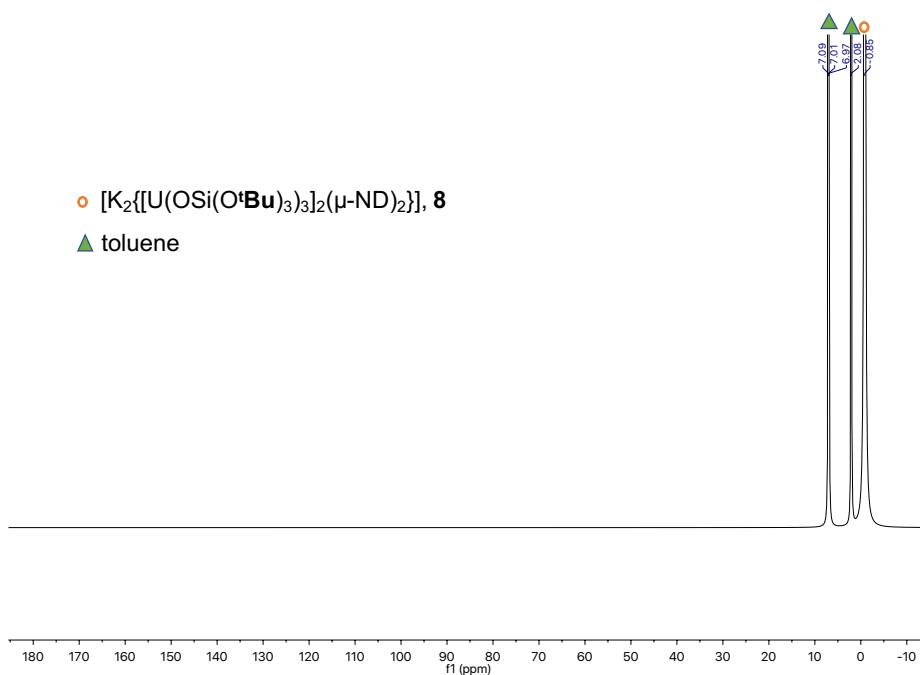


Fig. S37: 1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of the reaction between complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)_2\}], 4$ and D_2 heated up at 60°C for 1h affording complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-ND)_2\}], 8$

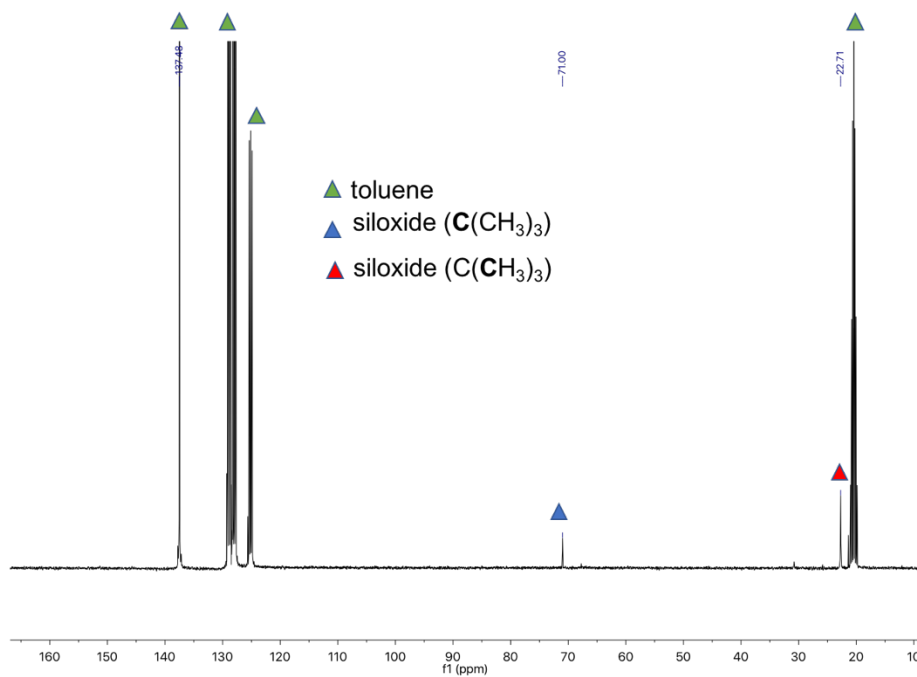


Fig. S38: ^{13}C -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of isolated $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-NH)_2\}], 8$

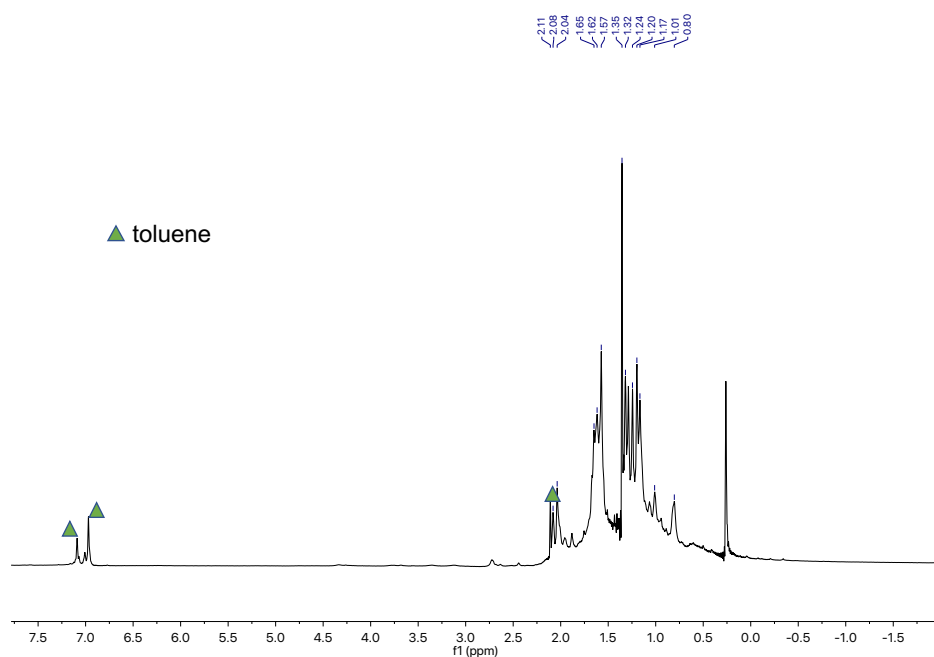


Fig. S39: $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz) at 298 K in $d_8\text{-tol}$ of the reaction between complex $[\text{K}_2\{[\text{U}(\text{OSi}(\text{O}^t\text{Bu})_3]_3\}_2(\mu\text{-N})_2\}]$, 4 and 5.5 atm of H_2 after 3h at RT

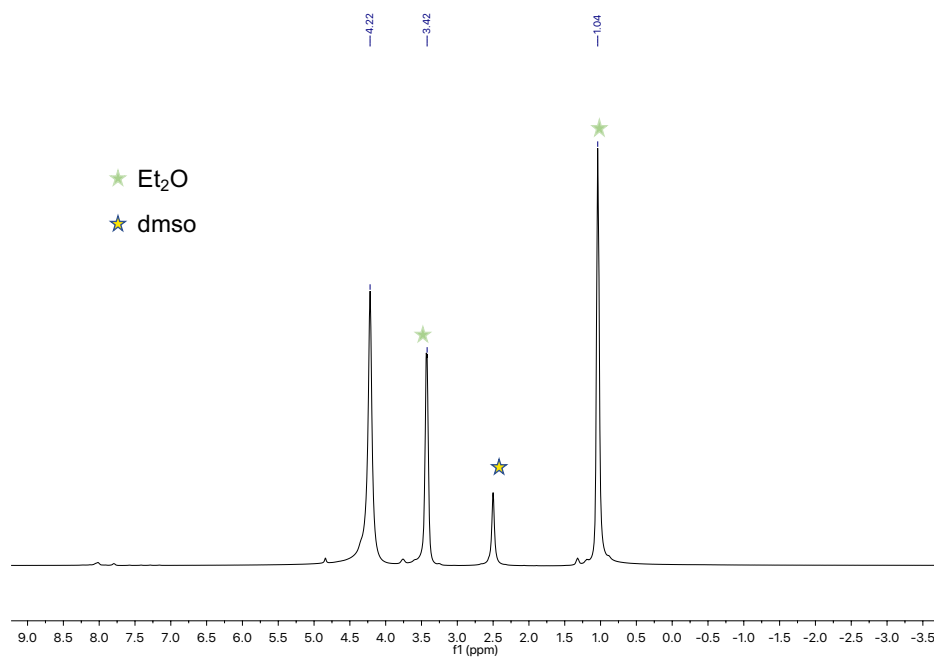


Fig. S40: $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz) at 298 K in $d_6\text{-dmsO}$ of the volatiles and the headspace of the reaction between complex $[\text{K}_2\{[\text{U}(\text{OSi}(\text{O}^t\text{Bu})_3]_3\}_2(\mu\text{-N})_2\}]$, 4 and 5.5 atm of H_2 after 3h at RT collected in a frozen 2M solution of HCl in Et_2O

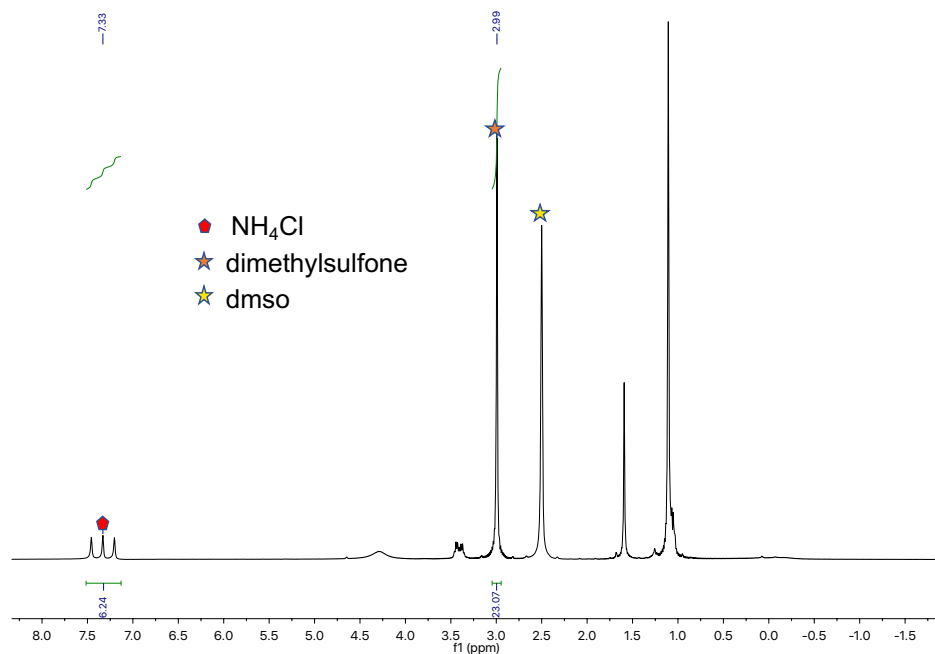


Fig. S41: ^1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_6 -dmsol of the reaction mixture between solid complex 4 and an excess of a 2M solution of HCl in Et_2O

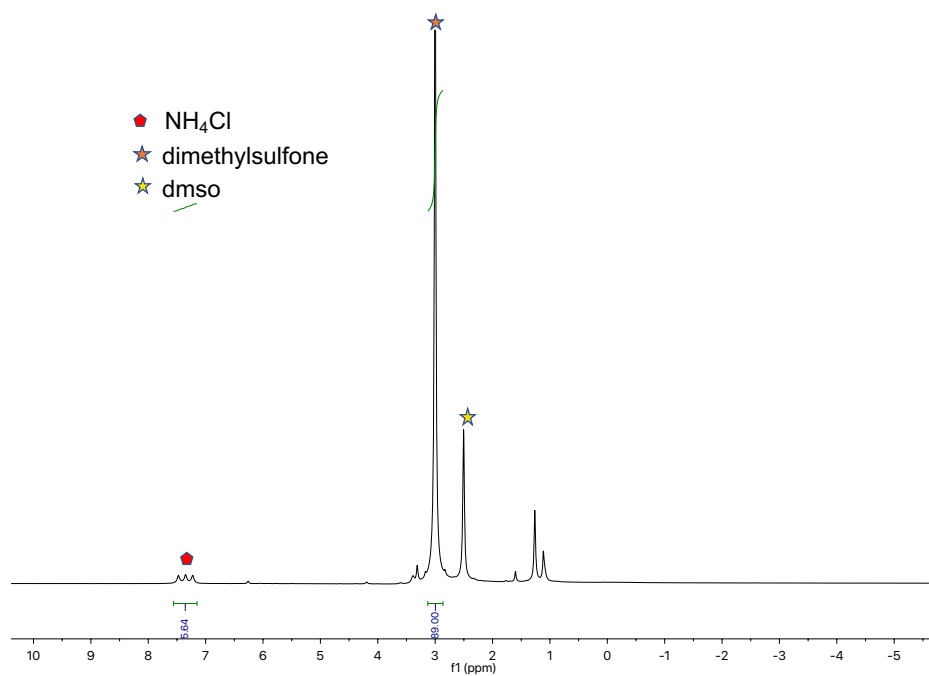


Fig. S42: ^1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_6 -dmsol of the reaction mixture between solid complex 8 and an excess of a 2M solution of HCl in Et_2O

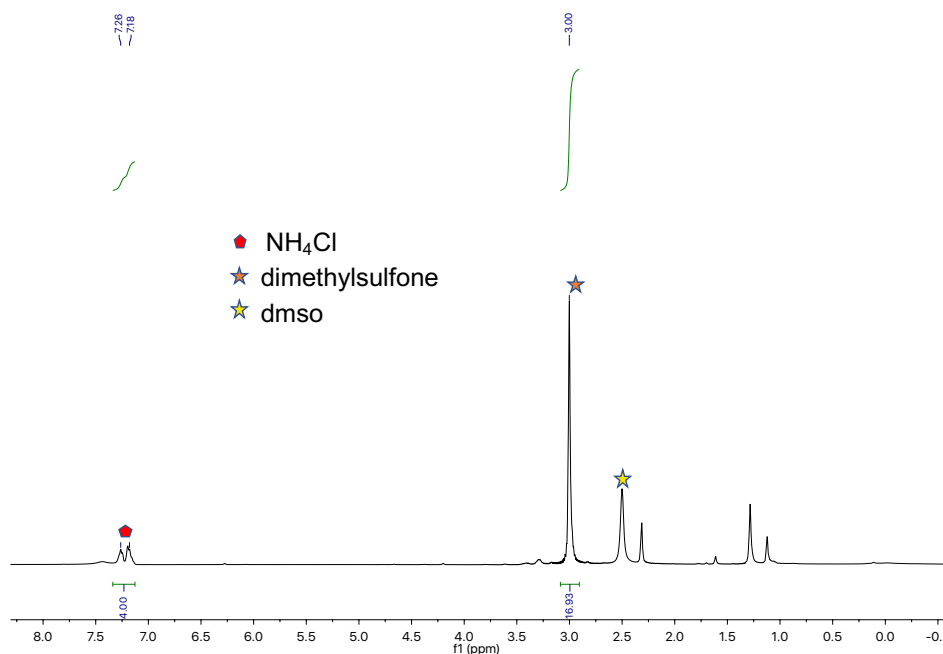


Fig. S43: ¹H-NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d₆-dmsO of the reaction mixture between solid complex **8** and an excess of a 2M solution of HCl in Et₂O in presence of excess KC₈

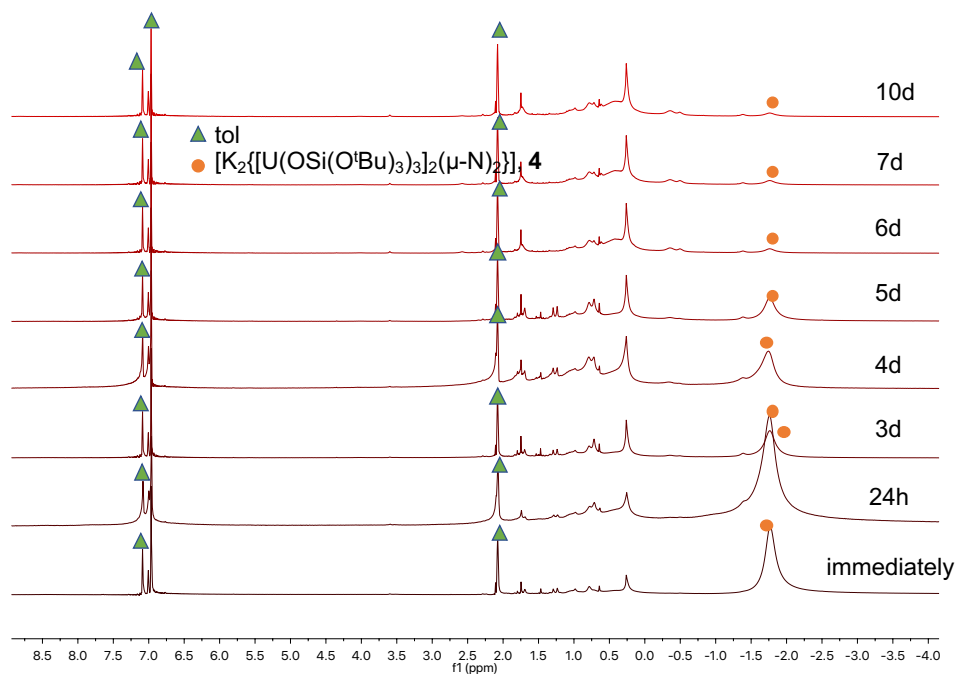


Fig. S44: Evolution of the ¹H-NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d₈-tol of the reaction mixture between [K₂{[U(OSi(O^tBu)₃)₃]₂(μ-N)₂}]₄ and 1 eq of PyHOTf

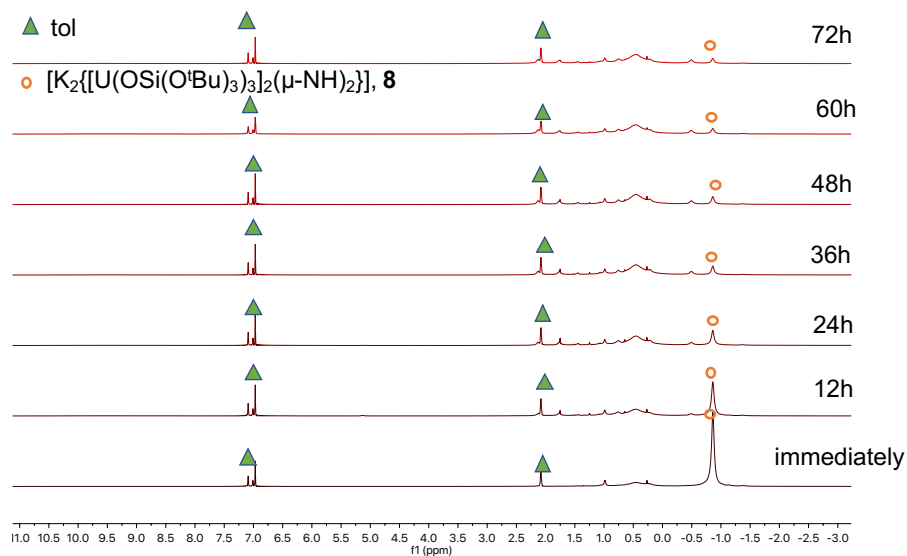


Fig. S45: Evolution of the ^1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of the reaction mixture between $[\text{K}_2\{\text{U}(\text{OSi}(\text{O}^t\text{Bu})_3)_2(\mu\text{-NH})_2\}]$, **8** and 1 eq of PyHOTf

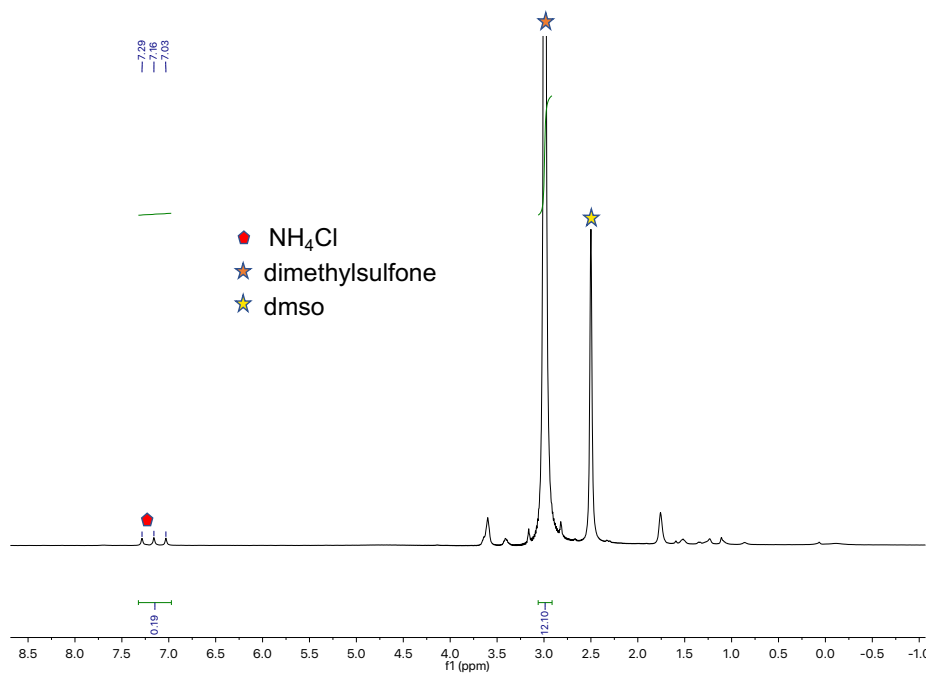


Fig. S46: ^1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_6 -dmsO of the volatiles and the headspace of the reaction mixture between $[\text{K}_2\{\text{U}(\text{OSi}(\text{O}^t\text{Bu})_3)_2(\mu\text{-N})_2\}]$, **4** and 30 eq of H_2O in thf collected in a frozen 2M solution of HCl in Et_2O

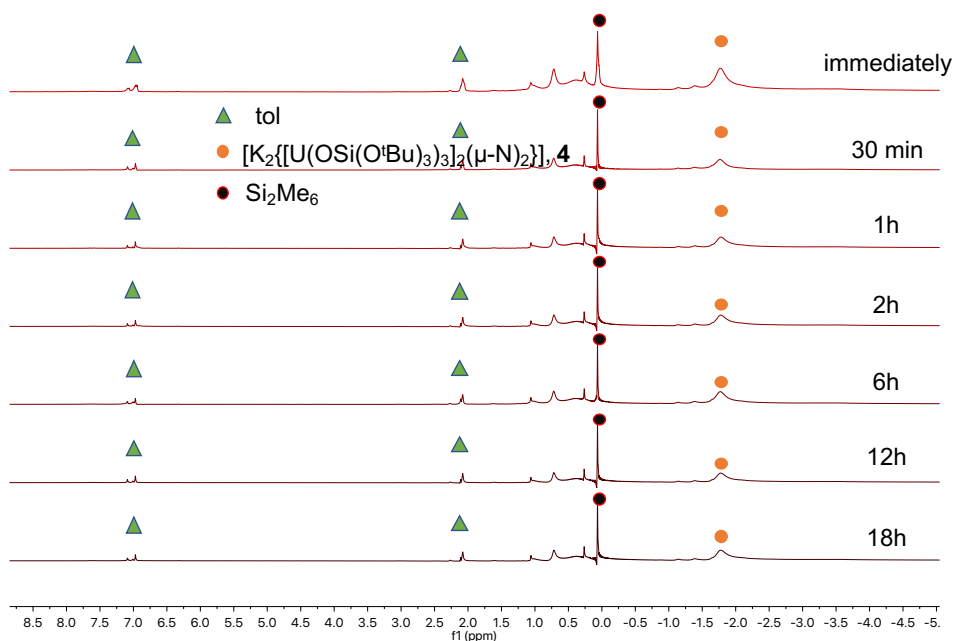


Fig. S47: Evolution of the ^1H -NMR (400 MHz) at 298 K in d_8 -tol of the reaction mixture between $[\text{K}_2\{[\text{U}(\text{OSi}(\text{O}^t\text{Bu})_3]_3\}_2(\mu\text{-N})_2\}]$, 4 and 1 eq of Si_2Me_6 . The formation of an unidentified yellow precipitate is also observed.

B) IR spectra

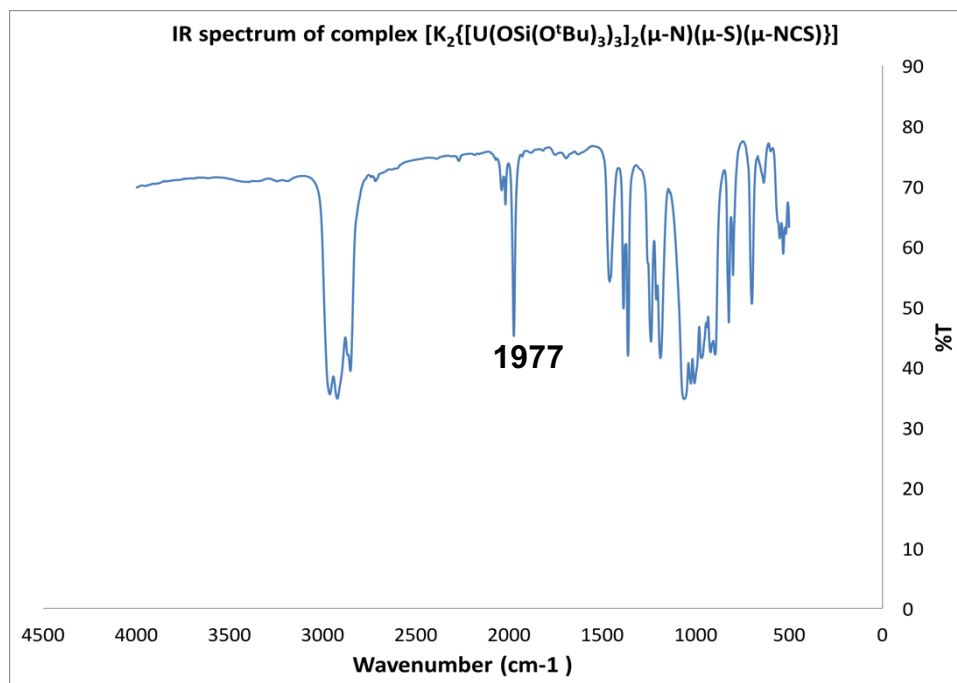


Fig. S48: IR spectrum of isolated complex $[\text{K}_2\{[\text{U}(\text{OSi}(\text{O}^t\text{Bu})_3]_3\}_2(\mu\text{-S})(\mu\text{-N})(\mu\text{-NCS})\}]$, 5 in a Nujol suspension measured on KBr windows.

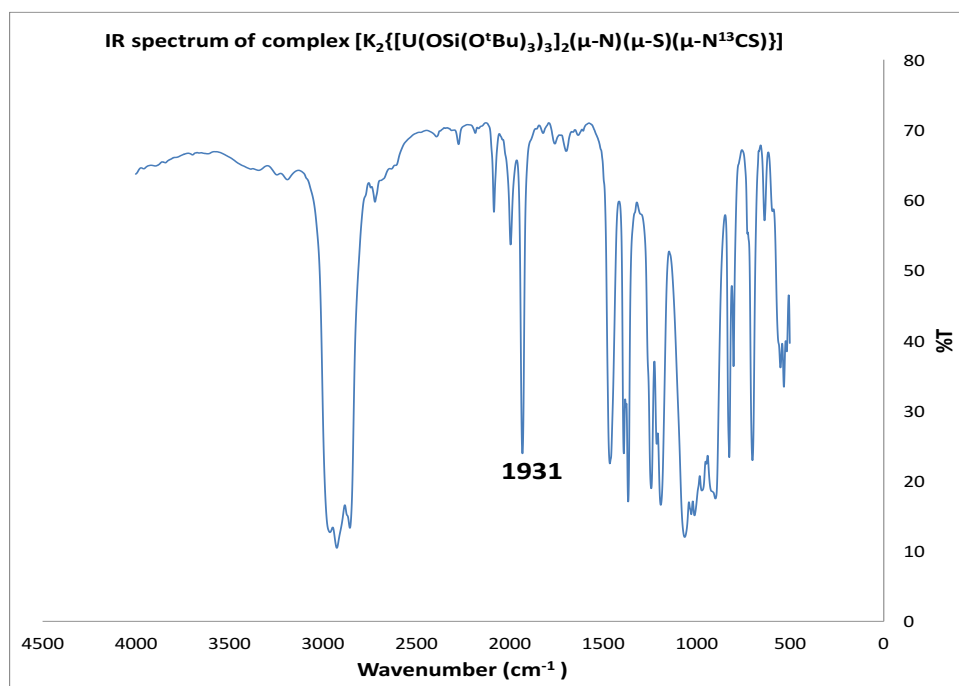


Fig. S49: IR spectrum of isolated complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-O)(\mu-N)(\mu-N^{13}CS)]$, **5** in a Nujol suspension measured on KBr windows.

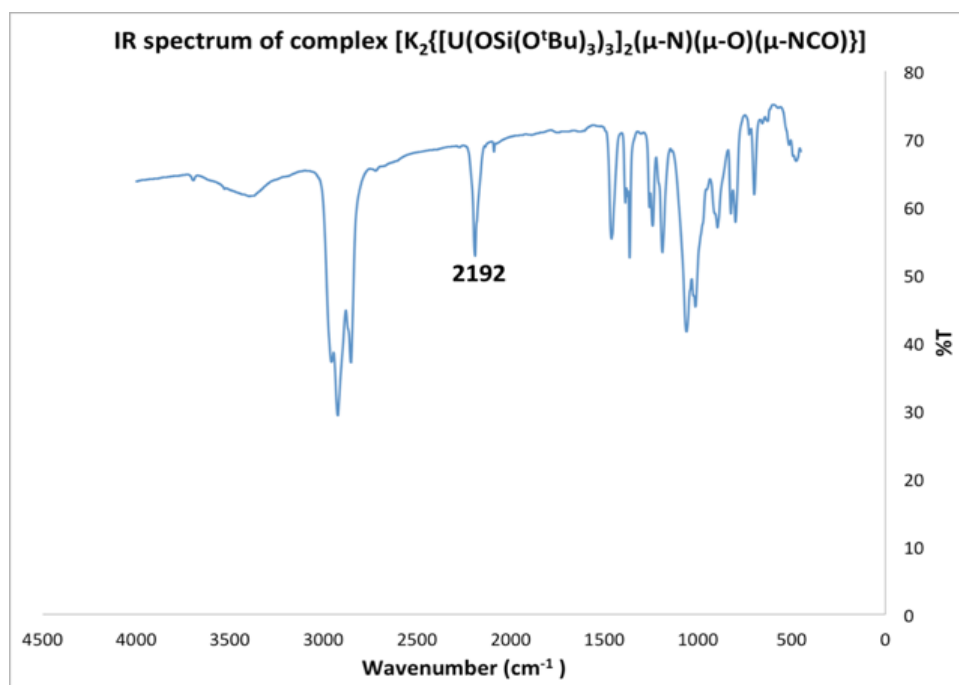


Fig. S50: IR spectrum of isolated complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-O)(\mu-N)(\mu-NCO)]$, **6** in a Nujol suspension measured on KBr windows.

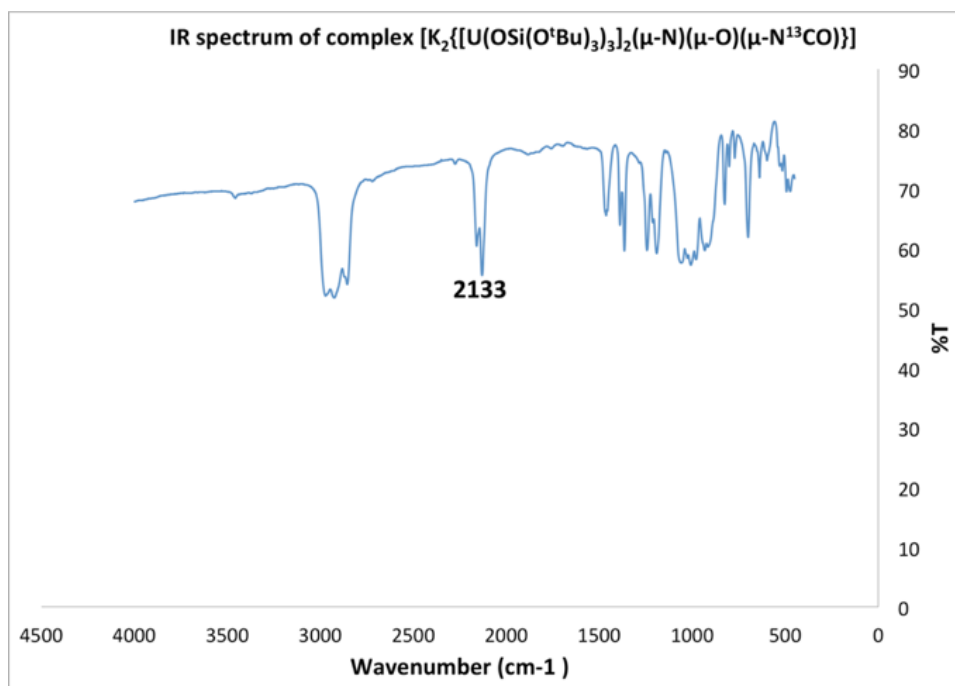


Fig. S51: IR spectrum of isolated complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-O)(\mu-N)(\mu-N^{13}CO)\}]$, ^{13}C -6 in a Nujol suspension measured on KBr windows.

C) X-Ray crystallographic data

	2	3	5
Formula	C ₇₂ H ₁₆₂ KNO ₂₄ Si ₆ U ₂	C ₇₂ H ₁₆₂ K ₂ N ₄ O ₂₄ Si ₆ U ₂	C ₇₃ H ₁₆₂ K ₂ N ₂ O ₂₄ S ₂ Si ₆ U ₂
Crystal size (mm ³)	0.642 x 0.503 x 0.419	0.48×0.31×0.26	0.12×0.06×0.04
crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	monoclinic
space group	P2 ₁ /c	P2 ₁ /n	P2 ₁
volume (Å ³)	10803(2)	5538.4(16)	5619.3(4)
a (Å)	14.210(3)	14.382(2)	13.9065(4)
b (Å)	28.1537(19)	17.661(3)	18.2338(7)
c (Å)	27.910(3)	21.819(4)	22.1810(9)
α (deg)	90	90	90
β (deg)	104.632(8)	92.012(9)	92.450(4)
γ (deg)	90	90	90
Z	4	2	2
formula weight (g/mol)	2109.72	2190.85	2238.96
density (g cm ⁻³)	1.297	1.314	1.323
absorption coefficient (mm ⁻¹)	3.156	3.118	10.139
F(000)	4320	2240	2288
temp (K)	100(2)	100(2)	139.99(10)
total no. reflections	115428	97679	38004
unique reflections [R(int)]	24309 [0.1089]	19106 [0.0447]	13621 [0.0881]

Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.0686, wR2 = 0.1330	R1 = 0.0592, wR2 = 0.1241	R1 = 0.0772, wR2 = 0.1898
Largest diff. peak and hole (e.Å ⁻³)	2.689 and -2.107	4.561 and -2.717	3.583 and -4.163
GOOF	1.111	1.135	1.074

	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>
Formula	C ₇₃ H ₁₆₂ K ₂ N ₂ O ₂₆ Si ₆ U ₂	C ₈₁ H ₁₇₀ K ₂ N ₂ O ₂₆ Si ₆ U ₂	C ₇₉ H ₁₇₂ K ₂ N ₂ O ₂₄ Si ₆ U ₂
Crystal size (mm ³)	0.10×0.06×0.04	0.19×0.09×0.08	0.76×0.42×0.35
cryst syst	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic
space group	<i>P</i> 2 ₁	<i>P</i> 2 ₁	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ / <i>n</i>
volume (Å ³)	5510.8(3)	5673.2(9)	5536.5(3)
a (Å)	13.9377(5)	13.9927(15)	14.4207(4)
b (Å)	17.9175(5)	18.2874(12)	17.5321(5)
c (Å)	22.0849(6)	22.208(2)	21.9098(6)
α (deg)	90	90	90
β (deg)	92.306(3)	93.321(7)	91.840(3)
γ (deg)	90	90	90
Z	2	2	2
formula weight (g/mol)	2206.84	2310.98	2256.98
density (g cm ⁻³)	1.330	1.353	1.354
absorption coefficient (mm ⁻¹)	10.000	3.049	3.121
F(000)	2256	2368	2316
temp (K)	100.00(10)	120(2)	140.01(10)
total no. reflections	39631	67143	73741
unique reflections [R(int)]	17996 [0.0796]	20671 [0.0523]	19069 [0.0618]
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.0640, wR2 = 0.1592	R1 = 0.0511, wR2 = 0.1029	R1 = 0.0390, wR2 = 0.0824
Largest diff. peak and hole (e.Å ⁻³)	2.543 and -3.689	1.503 and -0.802	2.543 and -1.684
GOOF	1.017	1.067	1.060

D) Magnetic data

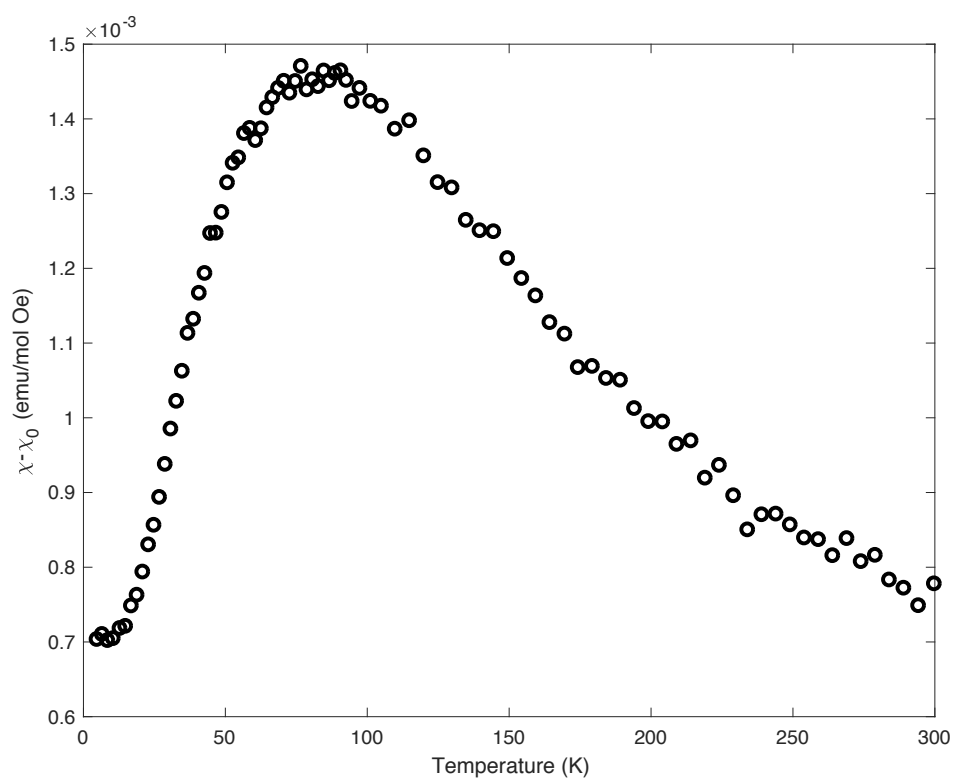


Fig. S52: χ vs T plot for complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)_2\}]$, 4

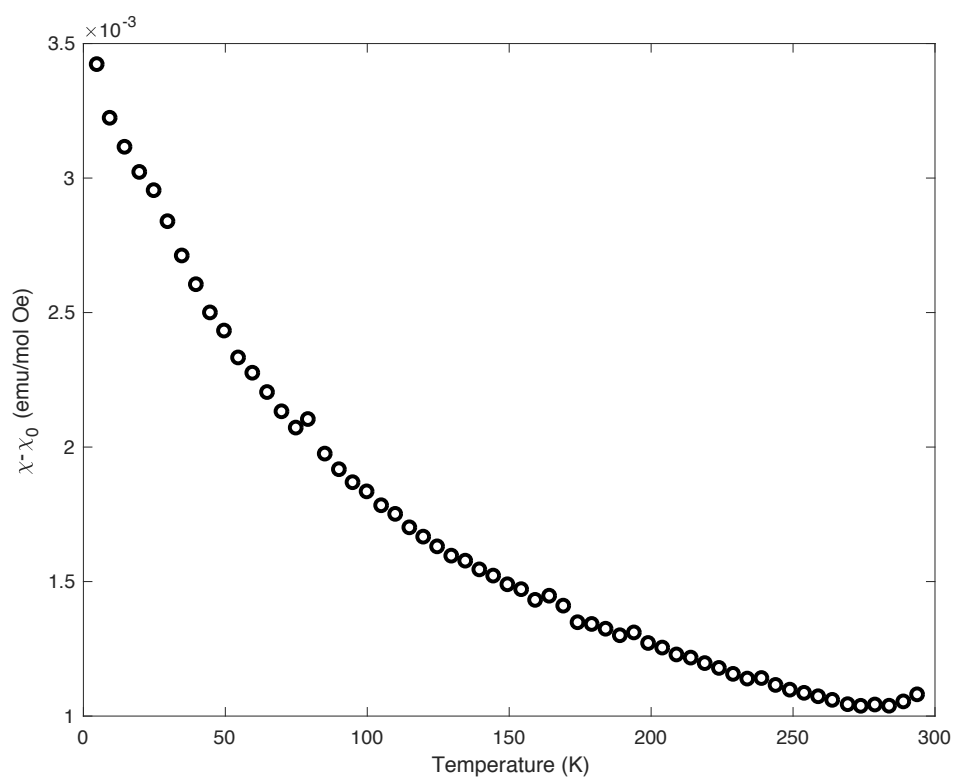


Fig. S53: χ vs T plot for complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-S)(\mu-N)(\mu-NCS)\}]$, 5

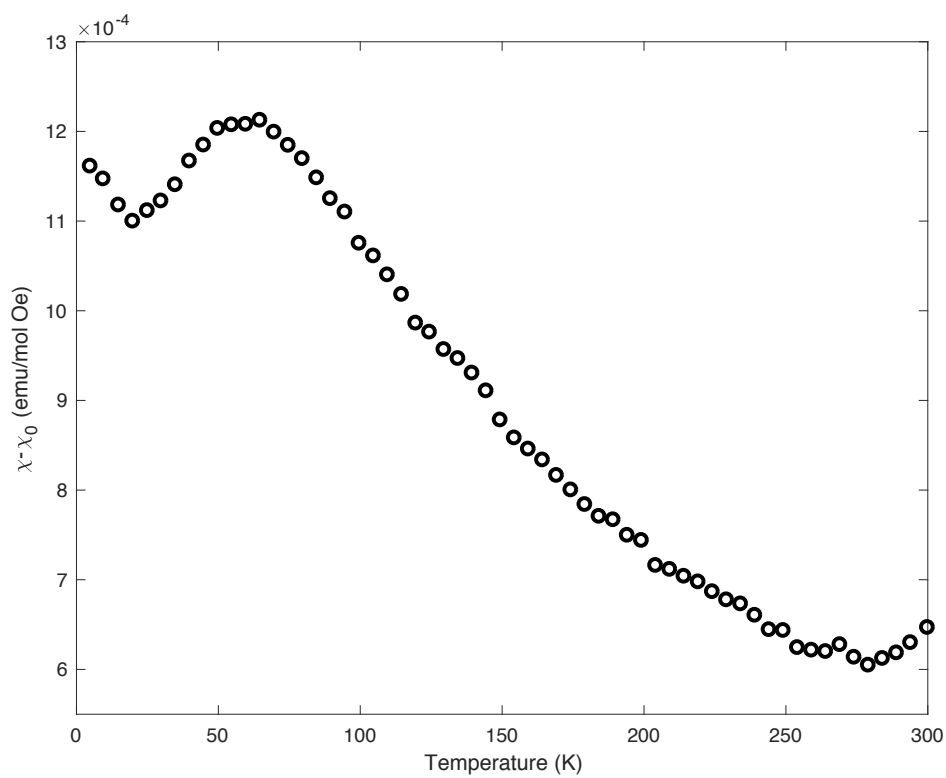


Fig. S54: χ vs T plot for complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-O)(\mu-N)(\mu-NCO)\}]$, 6

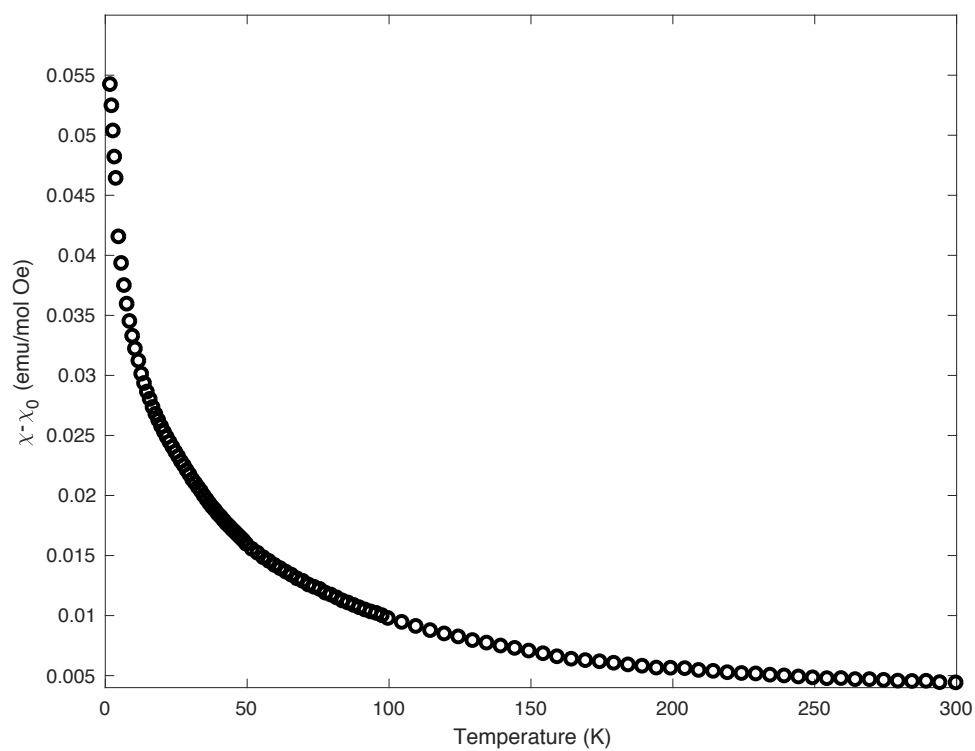


Fig. S55: χ vs T plot for complex $[K\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3]_3)_2(\mu-N)\}]$, 2

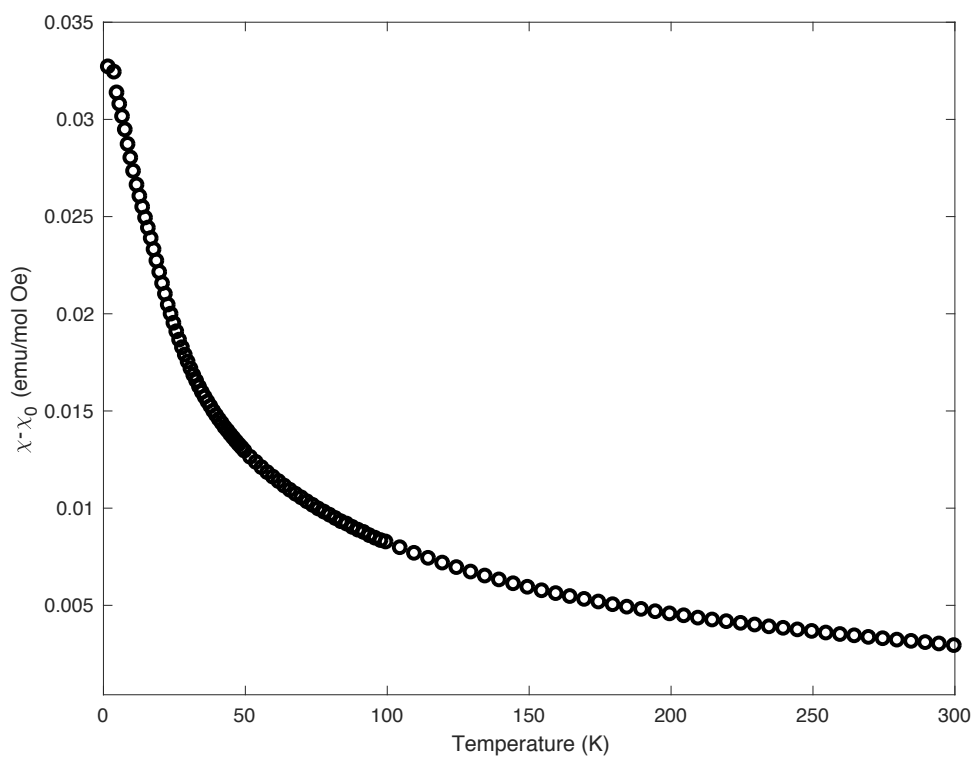


Fig. S56: χ vs T plot for complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3]_3\}_2(\mu-N)(\mu-N_3)]$, 3

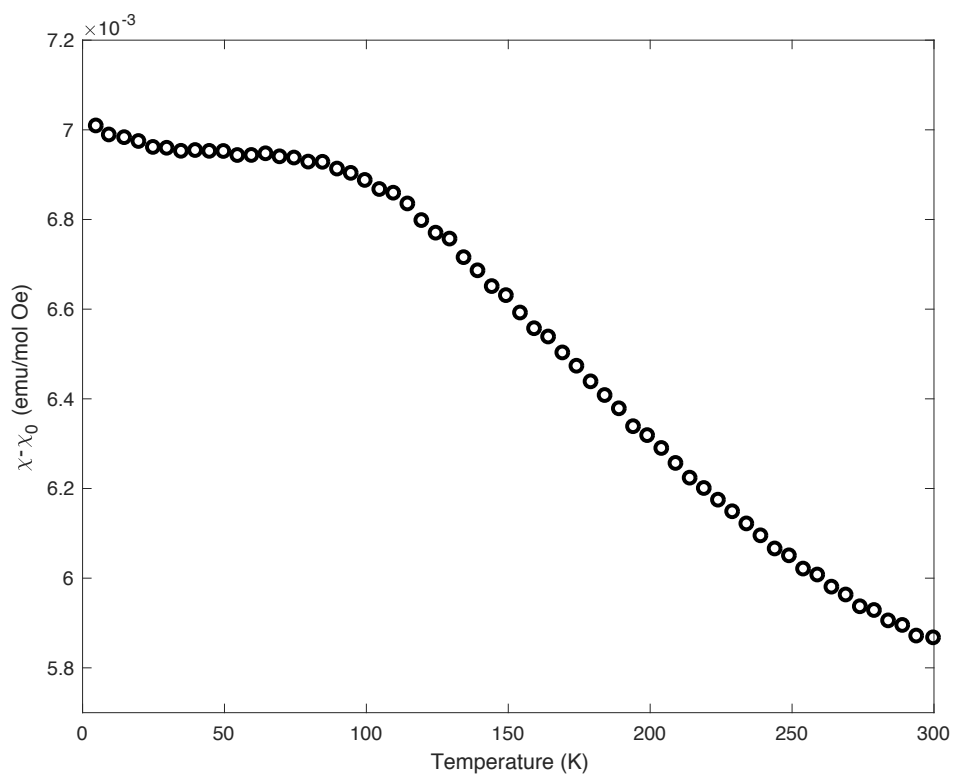


Fig. S57: χ vs T plot for complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3]_3\}_2(\mu-CN)(\mu-O)(\mu-NCO)]$, 7

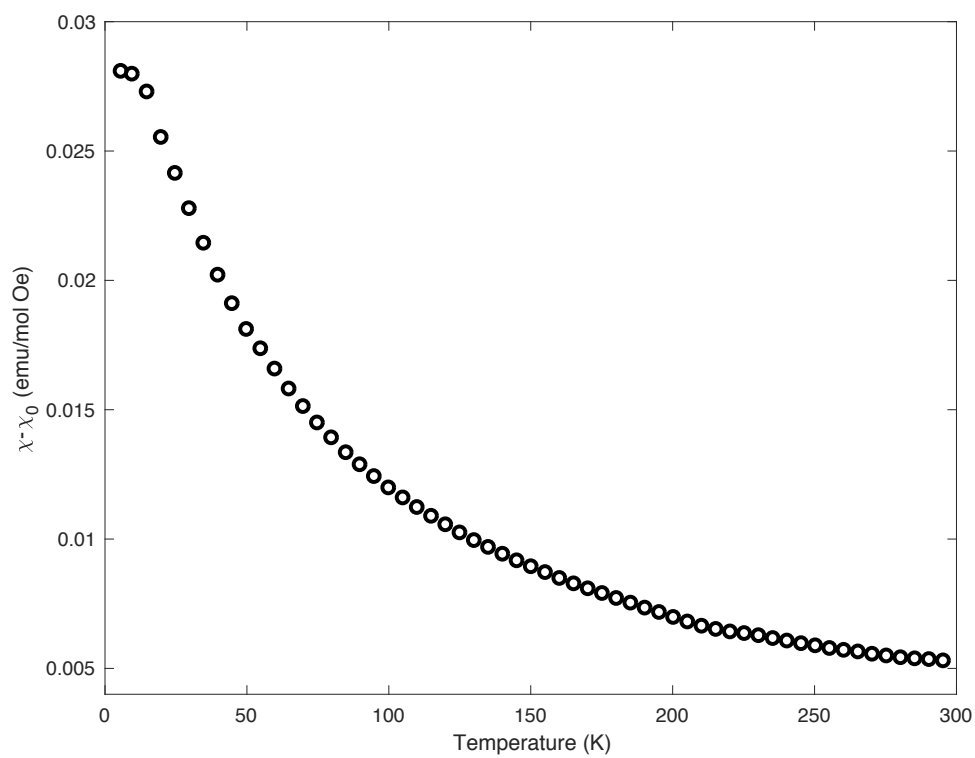


Fig. S58: χ vs T plot for complex $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-NH)_2\}]$, **8**

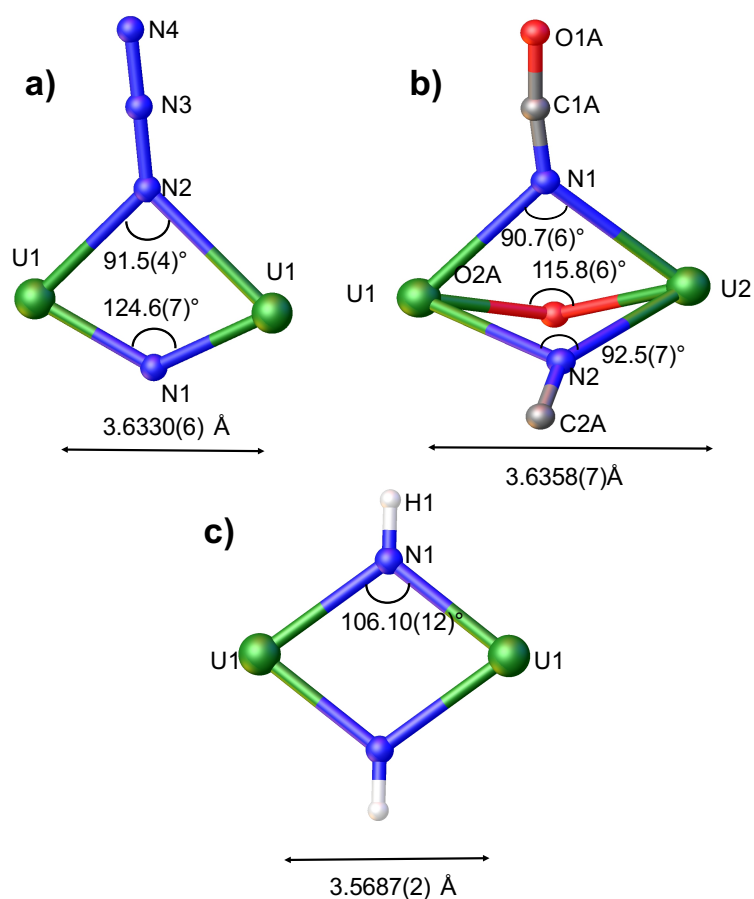


Fig. S59: Ortep diagram of the core showing the metrical parameters for the bridging atoms in complexes a) $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-N)(\mu-N_3)\}]$, 3; b) $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-CN)(\mu-O)(\mu-NCO)\}]$, 7; c) $[K_2\{[U(OSi(O^tBu)_3)_3]_2(\mu-NH)_2\}]$, 8

E) UV-Vis data

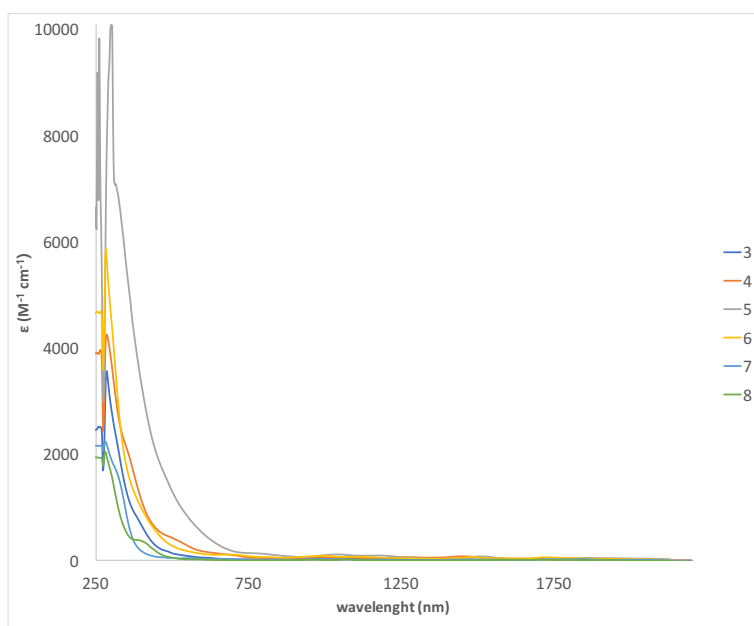


Fig. S60: UV-Vis absorption spectra in toluene solution of complexes 3-8.

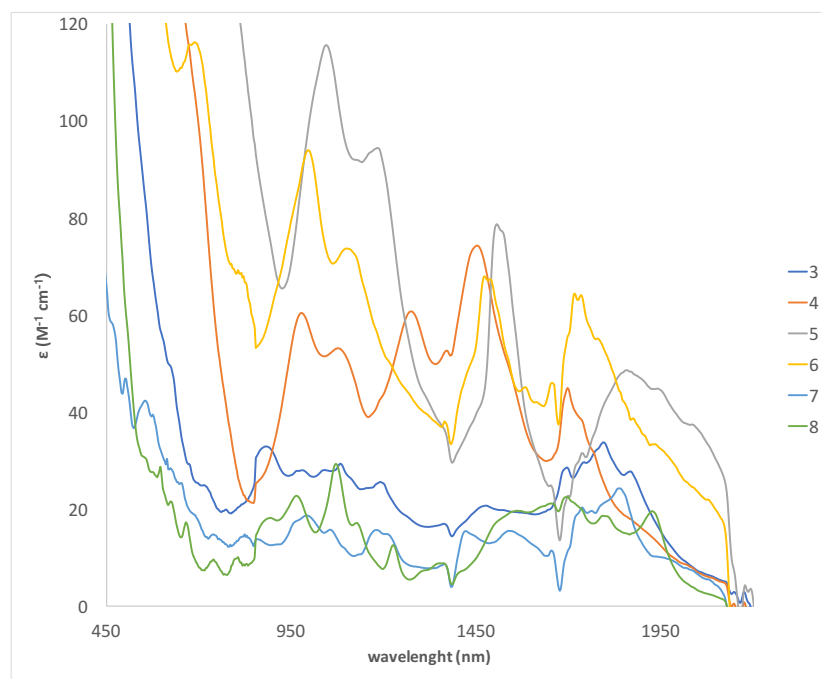


Fig. S61: NIR absorption spectra in toluene solution of complexes 3-8.