**Supporting Information** 

## Alkali Metal and Stoichiometric Effects in Intermolecular Hydroamination Catalysed by Lithium, Sodium and Potassium Magnesiates

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Empirical formula	$C_{54}H_{108}Mg_2N_6Na_2O_6$	$C_{32}H_{72}Mg_1N_8Na_2$
Mol. Mass	1032.06	639.26
Crystal system	triclinic	Monoclinic
a/ Å	11.6474(5)	10.4760(14)
b/ Å	11.7398(7)	19.224(2)
c/ Å	23.4025(8)	19.864(2)
α/ °	100.805(4)	90
β/ °	94.008(3)	93.733(10)
γ/ °	106.319(4)	90
V/ Å <sup>3</sup>	2991.0(2)	3991.9(8)
Ζ	2	4
λ/ Å	1.5418	0.71073
Measured reflections	43397	19600
Unique reflections	11830	7810
R <sub>int</sub>	0.0316	0.0781
Observed rflns [I>2 $\sigma$ (I)]	9231	4183
GooF	1.020	1.011
R [on F, obs rflns only]	0.0578	0.0711
$\omega$ R [on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup> , all data]	0.1752	0.2205
Largest diff. Peak/hole. e/ Å <sup>-3</sup>	0.486 / -0.363	0.613 / -0.381



Figure S1X-ray diffraction structures of 15-18.17 and 18 provide general connectivityinformation only, due to poor data quality.

## **Catalysis - NMR Spectra**



**Figure S2** Hydroamination of diphenylacetylene with piperidine, catalysed by  $LiMg(CH_2SiMe_3)_3$ (1) (5 mol%) in  $d_8$ -THF.



**Figure S3** Hydroamination of diphenylacetylene with piperidine, catalysed by NaMg(CH<sub>2</sub>SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> (2) (5 mol%) in  $d_8$ -THF.



**Figure S4** Hydroamination of diphenylacetylene with piperidine, catalysed by  $KMg(CH_2SiMe_3)_3$ (3) (5 mol%) in  $d_8$ -THF.



**Figure S5** Hydroamination of diphenylacetylene with piperidine, catalysed by NaMg(CH<sub>2</sub>SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> (2) (10 mol%) in  $d_8$ -THF.



**Figure S6** Hydroamination of diphenylacetylene with piperidine, catalysed by  $NaMg(CH_2SiMe_3)_3$ (2) (2 mol%) in  $d_8$ -THF.



**Figure S7** Hydroamination of diphenylacetylene with piperidine, catalysed by  $[(TMEDA)_2Li_2Mg(CH_2SiMe_3)_4]$  (5) (5 mol%) in  $d_8$ -THF.



**Figure S8** Hydroamination of diphenylacetylene with piperidine, catalysed by  $[(TMEDA)_2Na_2Mg(CH_2SiMe_3)_4]$  (6) (5 mol%) in  $d_8$ -THF.



**Figure S9** Hydroamination of diphenylacetylene with piperidine, catalysed by  $[(PMDTA)_2K_2Mg(CH_2SiMe_3)_4]$  (7) (5 mol%) in  $d_8$ -THF.



**Figure S10** Hydroamination of diphenylacetylene with piperidine, catalysed by  $[(PMDTA)_2K_2Mg(CH_2SiMe_3)_4]$  (7) (5 mol%) and 10 mol% of 18-crown-6 in  $d_8$ -THF.



**Figure S11** Hydroamination of diphenylacetylene with pyrrolidine, catalysed by  $[(PMDTA)_2K_2Mg(CH_2SiMe_3)_4]$  (7) (5 mol%) in  $d_8$ -THF.



**Figure S12** Hydroamination of diphenylacetylene with morpholine, catalysed by  $[(PMDTA)_2K_2Mg(CH_2SiMe_3)_4]$  (7) (5 mol%) in  $d_8$ -THF.



**Figure S13** Hydroamination of diphenylacetylene with dibenzylamine, catalysed by  $[(PMDTA)_2K_2Mg(CH_2SiMe_3)_4]$  (7) (5 mol%) in  $d_8$ -THF.



**Figure S14** Hydroamination of diphenylacetylene with diphenylamine, catalysed by  $[(PMDTA)_2K_2Mg(CH_2SiMe_3)_4]$  (7) (5 mol%) in  $d_8$ -THF.



**Figure S15** Hydroamination of styrene with piperidine, catalysed by  $[(PMDTA)_2K_2Mg(CH_2SiMe_3)_4]$ (7) (5 mol%) in  $d_8$ -THF.



**Figure S16** Hydroamination of styrene with pyrrolidine, catalysed by  $[(PMDTA)_2K_2Mg(CH_2SiMe_3)_4]$ (7) (5 mol%) in  $d_8$ -THF.



**Figure S17** Hydroamination of styrene with morpholine, catalysed by  $[(PMDTA)_2K_2Mg(CH_2SiMe_3)_4]$  (7) (5 mol%) in  $d_8$ -THF.

## Amide complexes 15-18 NMR Spectra



Figure S18 <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of  $[(THF)_2{NaMg(NC_5H_{10})_3}]_2$  (15) in C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>.



Figure S19  ${}^{13}C$  NMR spectrum of [(THF)<sub>2</sub>{NaMg(NC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>10</sub>)<sub>3</sub>}]<sub>2</sub> (15) in C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>.



**Figure S21** <sup>1H</sup> NMR spectrum of  $[(THF)_3 \{KMg(NC_5H_{10})_3\}]_2$  (16) in  $C_6D_6$ .



Figure S22  ${}^{13}C$  NMR spectrum of  $[(THF)_3\{KMg(NC_5H_{10})_3\}]_2$  (16) in  $C_6D_6$ .



**Figure S23** <sup>1</sup>H NMR DOSY spectrum of  $[(THF)_3\{KMg(NC_5H_{10})_3\}]_2$  (16) in  $d_8$ -THF.



Figure S25  ${}^{13}C$  NMR spectrum of [(TMEDA)<sub>2</sub>Na<sub>2</sub>Mg(NC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>10</sub>)<sub>4</sub>] (17) in C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>.



Figure S27  ${}^{13}C$  NMR spectrum of [(PMDETA)<sub>2</sub>K<sub>2</sub>Mg(NC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>10</sub>)<sub>4</sub>] (18) in C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>.