

Supporting information for:

**Desulfurization of N,N-dimethylthioformamide by hydrosilane with the help of an iron complex. Isolation and characterization of an iron-carbene complex as an intermediate of C=S double bond cleavage.**

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**1. General Remarks.** NMR spectra (<sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C, <sup>29</sup>Si) were recorded on a JEOL JNM-AL400 spectrometer. The residual peaks of the solvent were used as the reference for <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra. For <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra, solvent signals were used as the chemical-shift reference. Peak positions of the <sup>29</sup>Si NMR spectra were referenced to external tetramethylsilane ( $\delta = 0$  ppm). IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin Elmer FTIR-Spectrum One.

**2. Spectroscopic characterization**

**Me<sub>2</sub>NC(S)Ph:** Anal. Calc. for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NS: C, 46.56; H, 8.79; N, 13.57. Found: C, 46.95; H, 8.85; N, 13.32.

**Me<sub>2</sub>NC(S)Me:** Anal. Calc. for C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>9</sub>NS: C, 65.41; H, 6.71; N, 8.48. Found: C, 65.13; H, 6.73; N, 8.25.

**Cp(CO)Fe(C(H)NMe<sub>2</sub>)(SSiEt<sub>3</sub>) (3):** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (399.65 MHz, +20 °C, in C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>): 0.92 (m, 6H, SiCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.24 (m, 9H, SiCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.42 (s, 3H, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.20 (s, 3H NCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.49 (s, 5H C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 11.99 (s, 1H Fe=CH). <sup>13</sup>C {<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (100.40 MHz, +20 °C, in C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>): 8.74 (s, SiCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 9.59 (s, SiCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 44.4 (s, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 53.6 (s, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 86.0 (s, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 223.77 (s, CO), 256.0 (s, Fe=C). <sup>29</sup>Si

NMR (79.30 MHz, +20 °C, in C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>): 22.6 (s). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>, in toluene):  $\nu$  (CO): 1932. Sufficient element analysis data could not be obtained because of its instability.

**Cp(CO)Fe(C(H)NMe<sub>2</sub>)(SSiPh<sub>3</sub>) (5):** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (399.65 MHz, +20 °C, in C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>): 2.17 (s, 3H, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.05 (s, 3H NCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.19 (s, 5H C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 7.21-8.03 (m, 15H, Ph), 11.74(s, 1H Fe=CH). <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (100.40 MHz, +20 °C, in C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>): 44.4 (s, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 53.4 (s, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 85.7 (s, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 127.62 (s, Ph), 128.8(s, Ph), 136.5 (s, Ph), 140.8 (s, Ph), 222.9 (s, CO), 255.8 (s, Fe=C). <sup>29</sup>Si NMR (79.30 MHz, +20 °C, in C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>): 1.8 (s). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>, in toluene):  $\nu$  (CO): 1937. Anal. Calc. for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>27</sub>FeNOSSi: C, 65.18; H, 5.47; N, 2.82. Found: C, 65.04; H, 5.41; N, 2.75.

**3. X-ray Crystal structure determination of 5:** Dark-red crystals of **5** suitable for an X-ray diffraction study were obtained through crystallization from CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/hexane. The single crystal was mounted in a glass capillary. Data for **5** were collected at 20 °C on Rigaku/MSC Mercury CCD area-detector diffractometer equipped with monochromated MoK $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 0.71070$  Å). Calculations for **5** were performed with the teXane crystallographic software package of Molecular Structure Corporation. Crystal Data: C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>27</sub>FeNOSSi,  $M = 497.51$ , red block,  $0.45 \times 0.30 \times 0.30$  mm<sup>3</sup>, monoclinic, space group P2<sub>1</sub>/c (No. 14),  $a = 16.037(2)$  Å,  $b = 9.3525(11)$  Å,  $c = 16.402(3)$  Å,  $\beta = 101.572(3)^\circ$ ,  $V = 2410.0(5)$  Å<sup>3</sup>,  $Z = 4$ ,  $\mu(\text{MoK}\alpha) = 7.813$  mm<sup>-1</sup>,  $D_{\text{calc}} = 1.371$  g/cm<sup>3</sup>, 16617 reflections collected, 5411 ( $I > 3\sigma I$ ) unique reflections were used in all calculations, number of variables = 373,  $R = 0.0328$ ,  $R_w = 0.1051$ , and goodness of fit = 1.007.

**Table S1** Crystal data and structure refinement for **5**.

	<b>5</b>
Empirical formula	C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>27</sub> FeNOSSi
Formula weight	497.51
Crystal system	Monoclinic
Crystal size(mm <sup>3</sup> )	0.45 × 0.30 × 0.30
Space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c (No. 14)
<i>a</i> , Å	16.037(2)
<i>b</i> , Å	9.3525(11)
<i>c</i> , Å	16.402(3)
<i>β</i> , deg	101.572(3)
<i>V</i> , Å <sup>3</sup>	2410.0(5)
<i>Z</i>	4
<i>μ</i> , mm <sup>-1</sup>	7.813
<i>F</i> (000)	1040.00
<i>D</i> <sub>calcd</sub> , g cm <sup>-3</sup>	1.371
No. of unique reflections	5411
No. of used reflections	16617
No. of variables	373
<sup>a</sup> <i>R</i>	0.0328
<sup>b</sup> <i>R</i> <sub>w</sub>	0.1051
<i>Goodness-of-fit</i>	1.007

$${}^a R = \frac{\sum ||F_o| - |F_c||}{\sum |F_o|}$$

$${}^b R_w = \left[ \frac{\sum w(|F_o| - |F_c|)^2}{\sum w F_o^2} \right]^{0.5}$$

$$\text{Weighting scheme } [\sigma(F_o)^2]^{-1}$$

**Table S2** Selected bond distances (Å), bond angles (°), and torsion angles (°) for **5**.

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Fe-S	2.3371(3)
Fe-C(3)	1.8891(5)
S-Si	2.1016(5)
N-C(1)	1.466(2)
N-C(2)	1.473(2)
N-C(3)	1.306(2)
S-Fe-C(3)	96.42(5)
C(3)-Fe-C(4)	97.34(7)
S-Fe-C(4)	87.39(5)
Fe-S-Si	115.482(19)
Fe-C(3)-N	135.96(12)
C(1)-N-C(2)	113.75(13)
C(1)-N-C(3)	123.56(13)
C(2)-N-C(3)	122.54(14)
C(1)-N-C(3)-Fe	-6.2(2)
C(2)-N-C(3)-Fe	169.06(12)

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