

*Supplementary Information*

**Triangular Triplatinum(0) Complex with Bridging Germylene Ligands.**

**Insertion of Alkyne into the Pt–Ge Bond Rather Than the Pt–Pt Bond**

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**General Procedures.** All manipulations were carried out using standard Schlenk techniques under an argon or nitrogen atmosphere or in a nitrogen-filled glovebox (Miwa MFG). Hexane, toluene, and THF were purified by using a Grubbs-type solvent purification system (Glass Contour).<sup>[1]</sup> The <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H}, and <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Biospin Avance III 400 MHz NMR spectrometer. Chemical shifts in <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectra were referenced to the residual peaks of the solvents used.<sup>[2]</sup> The peak position of the <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectra was referenced to external 85% H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> ( $\delta$  0) in deuterated solvents. All deuterated solvents ([D<sub>6</sub>]benzene, [D<sub>8</sub>]toluene, [D<sub>2</sub>]dichloromethane) were carefully deoxygenated by three freeze-thaw-pump cycles before use. The signals of **4** and **5** in the <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectra were assigned by 2D HMQC NMR experiments. IR spectra were recorded on a JASCO FTIR-4100 spectrometer. Elemental analyses were performed using a LECO CHNS-932 or Yanaco MT-5 CHN autorecorder at the Center for Advanced Materials Analysis, Technical Department, Tokyo Institute of Technology. The compounds, *cis*-[PtMe<sub>2</sub>(PMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]<sup>[3]</sup> and [Pt(PCy<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]<sup>[4]</sup>, were prepared according to the literature. H<sub>2</sub>GePh<sub>2</sub> was synthesized from reduction of Cl<sub>2</sub>GePh<sub>2</sub> (Sigma-Aldrich) by LiAlH<sub>4</sub>. Dimethyl acetylenedicarboxylate (DMAD) and methyl propiolate were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich and used as received.

**Preparation of *trans*-[Pt(GePh<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(PMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (2).** To a hexane solution (3 mL) of *cis*-[PtMe<sub>2</sub>(PMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (752 mg, 1.99 mmol) was added H<sub>2</sub>GePh<sub>2</sub> (750  $\mu$ L, 4.00 mmol) in 1:2 ratio. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1.5 h at room temperature, giving a white precipitate. The white solid was collected by filtration, washed with hexane (1 mL  $\times$  3), and then dried *in vacuo* to afford **2** (1.29 g, 81%). Colorless crystals of **2** suitable for X-ray crystallography were obtained from recrystallization from THF/hexane (1:5). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>40</sub>Ge<sub>2</sub>P<sub>2</sub>Pt: C, 44.87; H, 5.02; Found: C, 44.71; H, 4.98; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, [D<sub>6</sub>]benzene, rt):  $\delta$ =7.93 (d, *J*(H,H)=7.2 Hz, 8H; C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub> *ortho*), 7.29 (t, *J*(H,H)=7.2 Hz, 8H; C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub> *meta*), 7.20 (t, *J*(H,H)=7.2 Hz, 4H; C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub> *para*), 5.32 (apparent triplet, *J*(P,H) = 12 Hz, *J*(Pt,H) = 67 Hz, 2H; GeH), 1.19 ppm (s, *J*(Pt, H) = 30 Hz, 18H; PCH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (400 MHz, [D<sub>6</sub>]benzene, rt):  $\delta$ =147.6 (*J*(Pt,C)=37 Hz; C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub> *ipso*), 136.9 (*J*(Pt,C)=14 Hz; C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub> *ortho*), 128.1 (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub> *meta*), 127.8 (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub> *para*), 17.3 ppm (br; PCH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (162 MHz, [D<sub>6</sub>]benzene, rt):  $\delta$ =−24.5 ppm (*J*(Pt,P)=2362 Hz); IR (KBr):  $\nu$ = 1915 cm<sup>−1</sup> (s; v(GeH)).

**Preparation of [{Pt(PMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>32</sub>)<sub>3 *Trans*-[Pt(GePh<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(PMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (1.00 g, 1.25</sub>**

mmol) and  $[\text{Pt}(\text{PCy}_3)_2]$  (0.94 g, 1.24 mmol) in 1:1 ratio were dissolved in toluene (3 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred for 12 h at 100 °C, giving a dark red solution. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The resulting material was washed with hexane (1 mL × 3) and dried *in vacuo* to afford **3** (836 mg, 67%). Orange crystals of **3** suitable for X-ray crystallography were obtained from recrystallization from THF/hexane (1:10). Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{45}\text{H}_{57}\text{Ge}_3\text{P}_3\text{Pt}_3$ : C, 36.18; H, 3.85; Found: C, 36.54; H, 3.94;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $[\text{D}_2]$ dichloromethane, rt):  $\delta$ =7.96 (m, 12H;  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *ortho*), 7.36 (m, 18H;  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *meta* and *para*), 1.16 ppm (m,  $J(\text{Pt},\text{H})=35$  Hz, 27H;  $\text{PCH}_3$ );  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $[\text{D}_2]$ dichloromethane, rt):  $\delta$ =158.6 ( $J(\text{Pt},\text{C})=58$  Hz;  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *ipso*), 135.5 ( $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *ortho*), 128.6 ( $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *meta*), 128.3 ( $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *para*), 22.4 ppm (m;  $\text{PCH}_3$ );  $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR (162 MHz,  $[\text{D}_2]$ dichloromethane, rt):  $\delta$ =27.5 ppm ( $J(\text{Pt},\text{P}) = 2900$  Hz,  $^2J(\text{Pt},\text{P}) = 410$  Hz,  $^3J(\text{P},\text{P}) = 94$  Hz);  $^{195}\text{Pt}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR (86 MHz,  $[\text{D}_2]$  dichloromethane, rt):  $\delta$  –4195 ppm ( $J(\text{Pt},\text{Pt})=2633$  Hz,  $J(\text{P},\text{Pt})=2900$  Hz,  $^2J(\text{P},\text{Pt})=410$  Hz).

#### **Preparation of $[\{\text{Pt}(\text{PMe}_3)\}_3(\mu_3\text{-}\eta^2(\parallel)\text{-CZ=CZ-GePh}_2)(\mu\text{-GePh}_2)_2]$ (4: Z = COOMe).**

To a THF (2 mL) solution of  $[\{\text{Pt}(\text{PMe}_3)\}_3(\mu\text{-GePh}_2)_3]$  (50 mg, 0.033 mmol) was added DMAD (4.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.033 mmol) in an equimolar ratio. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at 50 °C, giving a dark red solution. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure to give the resulting material, which was washed with hexane (1 mL × 3) and dried *in vacuo* to afford **4** (43 mg, 78%). Red crystals of **4** suitable for X-ray crystallography were obtained from recrystallization from THF/hexane (1:10). Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{51}\text{H}_{63}\text{Ge}_3\text{O}_4\text{P}_3\text{Pt}_3\bullet1/2 \text{C}_6\text{H}_{14}$ : C, 38.62; H, 4.20; Found: C, 38.25; H, 4.00;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $[\text{D}_8]$ toluene, 27 °C):  $\delta$ =8.27 (d,  $J(\text{H},\text{H}) = 6.4$  Hz, 4H;  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *ortho*), 8.18 (br, 4H;  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *ortho*), 7.80 (br, 4H;  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *ortho*), 7.29–7.23 (m, 12H;  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *meta* and *para*), 7.13 (m, 6H;  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *meta* and *para*), 3.55 (s, 3H;  $\text{OCH}_3$ ), 3.19 (s, 3H;  $\text{OCH}_3$ ), 1.30 (m, 18H;  $\text{PCH}_3$ ), 0.34 ppm (d,  $J(\text{P},\text{H})=10$  Hz, 9H;  $\text{PCH}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $[\text{D}_8]$ toluene, –50 °C):  $\delta$ =8.52 (d,  $J(\text{H},\text{H})=6.8$  Hz, 2H;  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *ortho*), 8.39 (m, 4H;  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *ortho*), 8.13 (m, 2H;  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *ortho*), 7.72 (br, 2H;  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *ortho*), 7.44 (t,  $J(\text{H},\text{H})=14.8$  Hz, 2H;  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *meta*), 7.34–7.07 (m, 16H;  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *meta* and *para*), 3.54 (s, 3H;  $\text{OCH}_3$ ), 3.20 (s, 3H;  $\text{OCH}_3$ ), 1.38 (d,  $J(\text{H},\text{H})=9.2$  Hz, 9H;  $\text{PCH}_3$ ), 1.13 (d,  $J(\text{H},\text{H})=9.6$  Hz, 9H;  $\text{PCH}_3$ ), 0.34 ppm (d,  $J(\text{H},\text{H})=10$  Hz, 9H;  $\text{PCH}_3$ ). One of  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *ortho* hydrogen signals was buried in the baseline at this temperature;  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $[\text{D}_6]$ benzene, rt):  $\delta$ =193.3 ( $J(\text{Pt},\text{C})=394$  Hz;  $\text{PtCZ}=$ ), 174.9 (CO), 173.8 (CO), 151.1 ( $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *ipso*), 147.7 ( $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *ipso*), 143.7 ( $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *ipso*), 136.3 ( $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *ortho*), 135.8 (br;  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *ortho*), 127.7 ( $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  *meta* or *para*), 127.5

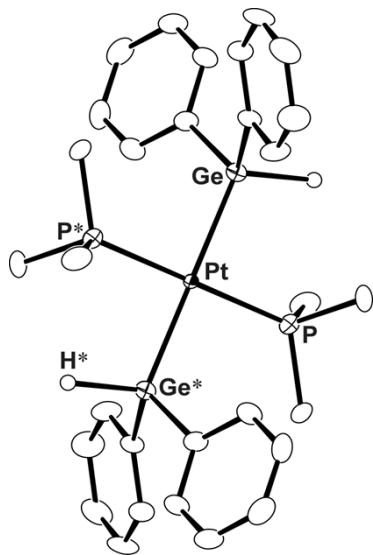
( $C_6H_5$  *meta* or *para*), 119.0 (GeCZ=), 50.7 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 50.5 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 19.2 (m,  $J(P,H) = 32$  Hz,  $J(Pt,H) = 50$  Hz; PCH<sub>3</sub>), 15.6 ppm (d,  $J(P,H) = 32$  Hz;  $J(Pt,H) = 58$  Hz; PCH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (162 MHz, [D<sub>6</sub>]benzene, rt):  $\delta = -12.8$  ( $J(P,Pt) = 4012$  Hz,  $^2J(P,Pt) = 348$  Hz,  $^3J(P,P) = 63$  Hz, 1P),  $-17.7$  ppm ( $J(P,Pt) = 3667$  Hz,  $^2J(P,Pt) = 304$  Hz,  $^3J(P,P) = 63$  Hz, 2P); <sup>195</sup>Pt{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (86 MHz, [D<sub>6</sub>]benzene, rt):  $\delta = 4102$  (dt,  $J(Pt,Pt) = 1543$  Hz,  $J(PPt) = 3997$  Hz,  $^2J(PPt) = 307$  Hz, 1Pt),  $-4466$  ppm (br d,  $J(P,Pt) = \text{ca. } 3600$  Hz, 2Pt); IR (KBr):  $\nu = 1692$  (s; v(C=O)), 1675 (s; v(C=O)), 1213 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s; v(C-O)).

#### **Preparation of [{Pt(PMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>(μ<sub>3</sub>-η<sup>2</sup>(||)-CZ=CH-GePh<sub>2</sub>)(μ<sub>3</sub>-η<sup>2</sup>(||)-GePh<sub>2</sub>-CZ=CH- GePh<sub>2</sub>)}**

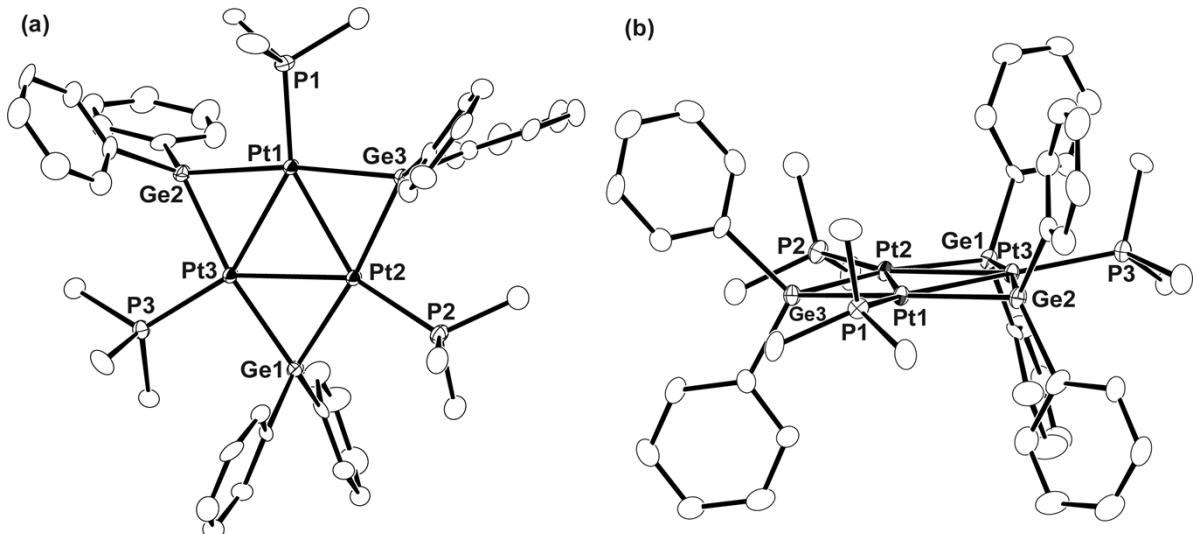
**(5: Z = COOMe).** To a toluene (5 mL) solution of [{Pt(PMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>(μ-GePh<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>}] (100 mg, 0.066 mmol) was added methyl propiolate (12  $\mu$ L, 0.13 mmol) in 1:2 ratio. The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h at room temperature, giving a dark red solution. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure to give the resulting material, which was washed with hexane (1 mL  $\times$  3) and dried *in vacuo* to afford **5** (72 mg, 65%). Red crystals of **5** suitable for X-ray crystallography were obtained from recrystallization from THF/hexane (1:10). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>53</sub>H<sub>65</sub>Ge<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>P<sub>3</sub>Pt<sub>3</sub>: C, 38.30; H, 3.94; Found: C, 37.91; H, 3.86; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, [D<sub>8</sub>]toluene, rt):  $\delta = 8.42$  (m, 2H;  $C_6H_5$  *ortho*), 8.37 (d,  $J(H,H) = 7.2$  Hz, 2H;  $C_6H_5$  *ortho*), 8.23 (m, 4H;  $C_6H_5$  *ortho*), 8.03 (m, 3H;  $C_6H_5$  *ortho* and =CH), 7.96 (d,  $J(H,H) = 7.2$  Hz, 2H;  $C_6H_5$  *ortho*), 7.27–7.03 (m, 18H;  $C_6H_5$  *meta* and *para*), 6.90 (d,  $J(H,H) = 7.2$  Hz, 1H; =CH), 3.45 (s, 3H; OCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.94 (s, 3H; OCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.24 (d,  $J(P,H) = 10$  Hz,  $J(Pt,H) = 38$  Hz, 9H; PCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.01 (d,  $J(P,H) = 10$  Hz,  $J(Pt,H) = 33$  Hz, 9H; PCH<sub>3</sub>), 0.84 ppm (d,  $J(P,H) = 9.6$  Hz,  $J(Pt,H) = 30$  Hz, 9H; PCH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (101 MHz, [D<sub>6</sub>]benzene, rt):  $\delta = 185.8$  ( $J(Pt,C) = 658$  Hz; PtCZ=), 175.1 (CO), 173.8 (CO), 150.5, 148.4, 145.6, 144.8, 144.4, 142.3 ( $C_6H_5$  *ipso*), 138.7, 136.8, 136.3 (overlapped), 136.0, 135.3 ( $C_6H_5$  *ortho*), 126.2 ( $C_6H_5$  *meta* or *para*), 116.3 (GeCH=), 113.1 (GeCH=), 50.8 (OCH<sub>3</sub>, overlapped), 19.3 (d,  $J(P,H) = 34$  Hz,  $J(Pt,H) = 53$  Hz; PCH<sub>3</sub>), 18.2 (d,  $J(P,H) = 32$  Hz,  $J(Pt,H) = 51$  Hz; PCH<sub>3</sub>), 16.5 ppm (d,  $J(P,H) = 31$  Hz,  $J(Pt,H) = 47$  Hz; PCH<sub>3</sub>), The GeCZ= carbon signal could not be assigned; <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (162 MHz, [D<sub>6</sub>]benzene, rt):  $\delta = -17.1$  (apparent triplet,  $J(Pt,P) = 3733$  Hz,  $^2J(Pt,P) = 270, 443$  Hz,  $^3J(P,P) = 82, 85$  Hz),  $-23.2$  (dd,  $J(Pt,P) = 3609$  Hz,  $^2J(Pt,P) = 211, 230$  Hz,  $^3J(P,P) = 61, 82$  Hz),  $-26.2$  ppm (dd,  $J(Pt,P) = 3772$  Hz,  $^2J(Pt,P) = 281, 411$  Hz,  $^3J(P,P) = 61, 85$  Hz). IR (KBr):  $\nu = 1708$  (s; v(C=O)), 1687 (s; v(C=O)), 1197 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s; v(C–O)).

**X-ray Crystal Structure Analyses.** Single crystals of **2-5** suitable for X-ray diffraction study were mounted on MicroMounts<sup>TM</sup> (MiTeGen). The crystallographic data were collected on a Rigaku Saturn CCD area detector or Bruker SMART APEXII ULTRA/CCD diffractometer equipped with monochromated Mo K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$ ) at 113 K or 90 K. Calculations were carried out using the program package, respectively. The positional and thermal parameters of non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically on  $F^2$  by the full-matrix least-squares method using SHELXL-97.<sup>[5]</sup> Hydrogen atoms, except for the Ge–H hydrogens of **2**, were placed at calculated positions and refined with a riding mode on their corresponding carbon atoms. The GeH hydrogens of **2** were found from the Fourier-difference electron-density and refined isotropically. Figures S1 and S2 show the molecular structures of **2** and **3**. Crystallographic data of **2-5** are listed in Table S1.

**Molecular Orbital Calculations.** Calculation of **3** and  $[\{\text{Pt}(\text{PMe}_3)\}_3(\mu\text{-CO})_3]$  has been performed with *Gaussian 09, revision B.01*.<sup>[6]</sup> Geometry optimization was performed by MPWB95 functional conjunction with 6-31G(d,p) basis set (for H, C, O, P, Ge) and SDD basis set (for Pt). The geometry of the complex **3** was optimized using the actual atom positions obtained by X-ray crystallography. For accretion of the DFT calculations, the density fitting was applied with the W06 auxiliary basis set that implemented in *Gaussian 09*. All optimized structures were verified to be local minima by hessian calculation. NBO analysis was also performed by same level of theory. The HOMO-LUMO energy gaps of **3** and  $[\{\text{Pt}(\text{PMe}_3)\}_3(\mu\text{-CO})_3]$  were calculated as 2.07 and 2.07 eV, respectively.



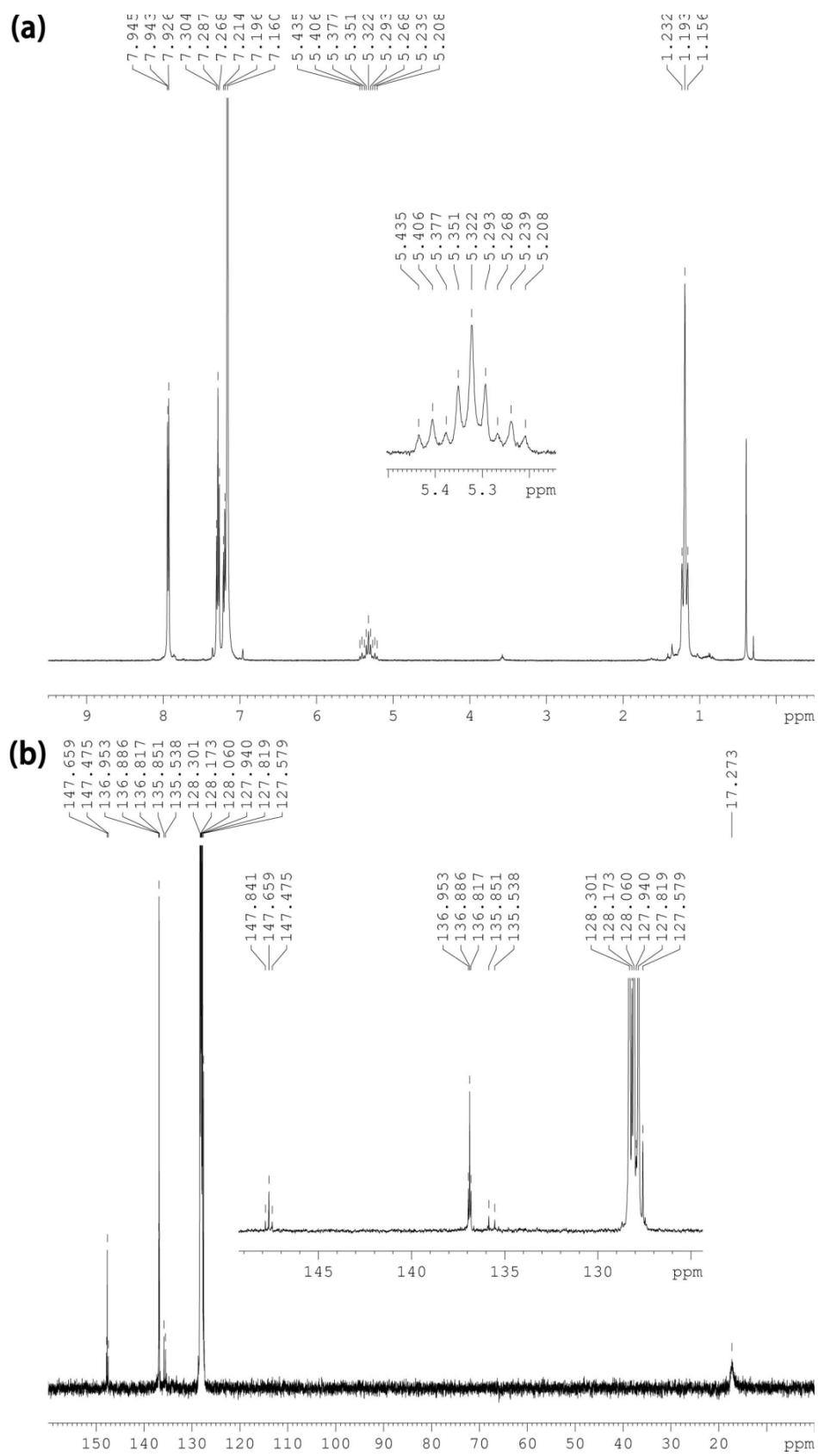
**Figure S1.** Thermal ellipsoidal plot of **2** (50% probability level). Hydrogen atoms, except GeH hydrogens, are omitted for clarity. Selected bond distances [ $\text{\AA}$ ] and angles [ $^{\circ}$ ]: Pt–Ge 2.4576(8), Pt–P 2.294(2), Ge–Pt–P 87.63(5).



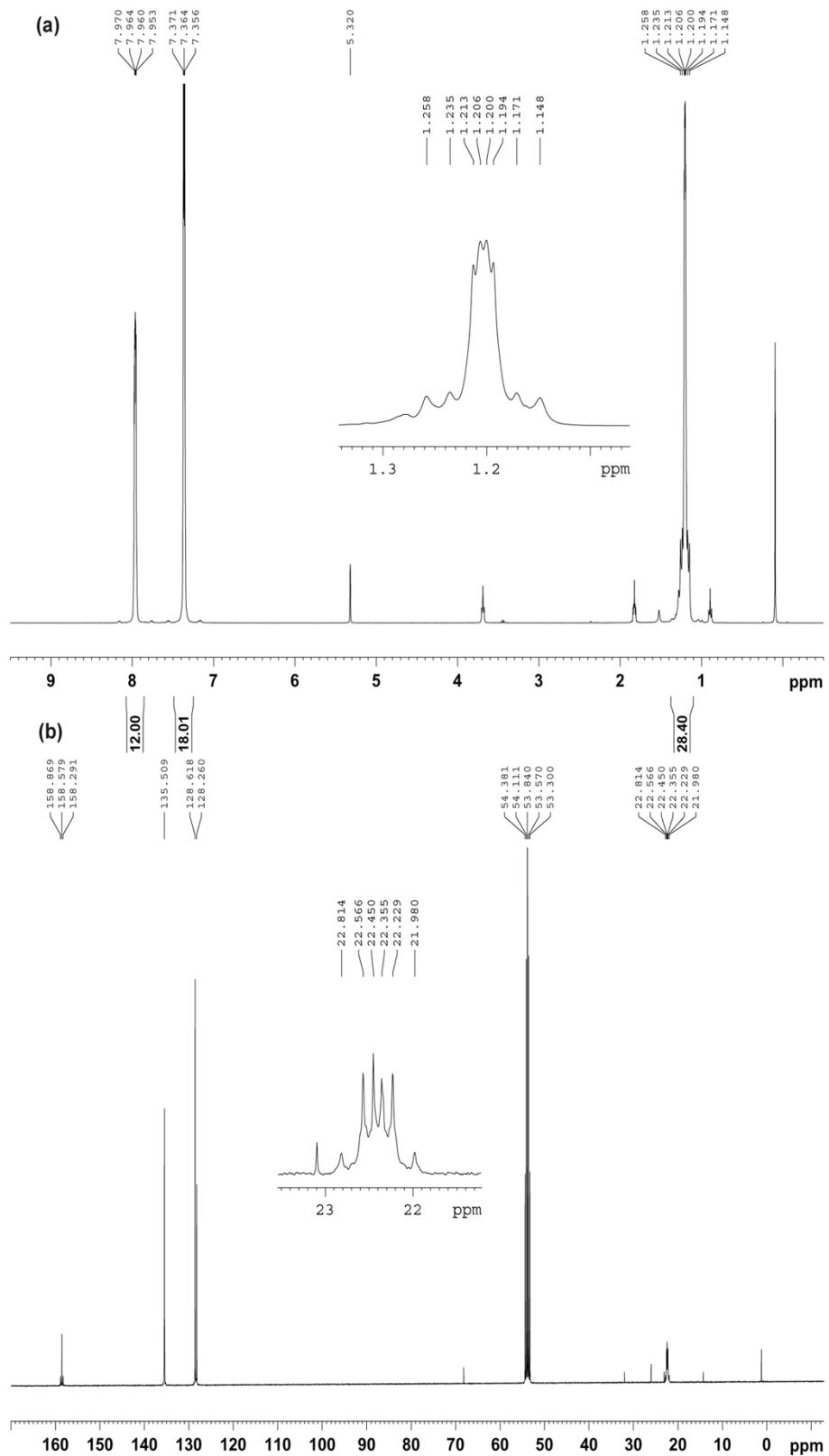
**Figure S2.** Thermal ellipsoidal plot (50% probability level) of **3** viewed from (a) the above and (b) in the plane of the  $\text{Pt}_3\text{Ge}_3$  core. All hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity. Selected bond distances [ $\text{\AA}$ ] and angles [ $^{\circ}$ ]: Pt1–Pt2 2.7194(6), Pt1–Pt3 2.7081(6), Pt2–Pt3 2.7150(6), Pt1–Ge2 2.423(1), Pt1–Ge3 2.423(1), Pt2–Ge1 2.412(1), Pt2–Ge3 2.416(1), Pt3–Ge1 2.4209(9), Pt3–Ge2 2.4131(9), Pt1–P1 2.243(2), Pt2–P2 2.247(3), Pt3–P3 2.242(3), Pt2–Ge1–Pt3 68.36(3), Pt1–Ge2–Pt3 68.10(3), Pt1–Ge3–Pt2 68.38(3).

**Table S1.** Crystallographic Data and Details of Refinement of **2-5**

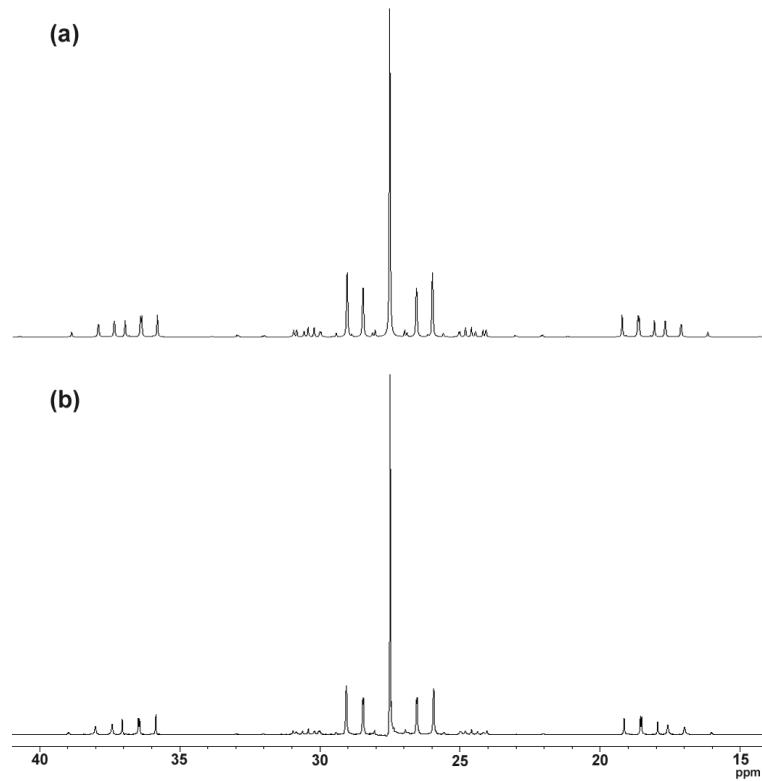
	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
formula	C <sub>30</sub> H <sub>40</sub> Ge <sub>2</sub> P <sub>2</sub> Pt	C <sub>45</sub> H <sub>57</sub> Ge <sub>3</sub> P <sub>3</sub> Pt <sub>3</sub>	2(C <sub>51</sub> H <sub>63</sub> Ge <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> P <sub>3</sub> Pt <sub>3</sub> ) ·C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>14</sub>	C <sub>53</sub> H <sub>65</sub> Ge <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> P <sub>3</sub> Pt <sub>3</sub>
formula wt	802.86	1493.91	3358.09	1662.00
cryst size/mm	0.28×0.41×0.56	0.18×0.15×0.15	0.20×0.20×0.10	0.13×0.15×0.23
cryst syst	monoclinic	triclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic
cryst color	colorless	red	red	red
space group	C2/c (No. 15)	P-1 (No. 2)	P2 <sub>1</sub> (No. 4)	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c (No. 14)
<i>a</i> /Å	22.985(6)	12.539(2)	12.053(3)	21.046(6)
<i>b</i> /Å	8.962(2)	13.863(2)	23.593(6)	12.804(4)
<i>c</i> /Å	15.656(4)	15.866(3)	20.308(5)	20.027(5)
$\alpha$ /deg		66.820(8)		
$\beta$ /deg	107.227(3)	79.027(9)	91.905(4)	93.534(3)
$\gamma$ /deg		66.814(9)		
<i>V</i> /Å <sup>3</sup>	3080(2)	2328.9(8)	5772(3)	5387(3)
<i>Z</i>	4	2	2	4
<i>D</i> <sub>calcd</sub> /g cm <sup>-3</sup>	1.731	2.130	1.932	2.049
<i>F</i> (000)	1568	1404	3204	3160
$\mu$ /mm <sup>-1</sup>	6.571	10.983	8.910	9.546
no. of reflns measd	11909	19101	23758	25119
no. of unique reflns	3517	10239	15612	9504
<i>R</i> <sub>int</sub>	0.0295	0.0351	0.0768	0.4150
no. of obsed reflns ( <i>I</i> >2σ( <i>I</i> ))	3183	7179	11806	7065
no. of variables	167	496	1231	608
<i>R</i> , <i>R</i> <sub>w</sub> ( <i>I</i> >2σ( <i>I</i> ))	0.0475, 0.0507	0.0310, 0.0869	0.0655, 0.1313	0.0921, 0.2482
<i>R</i> , <i>R</i> <sub>w</sub> (all data)	0.1223, 0.1242	0.0460, 0.0925	0.0977, 0.1404	0.1060, 0.2617
GOF on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>	1.081	1.026	1.336	0.981



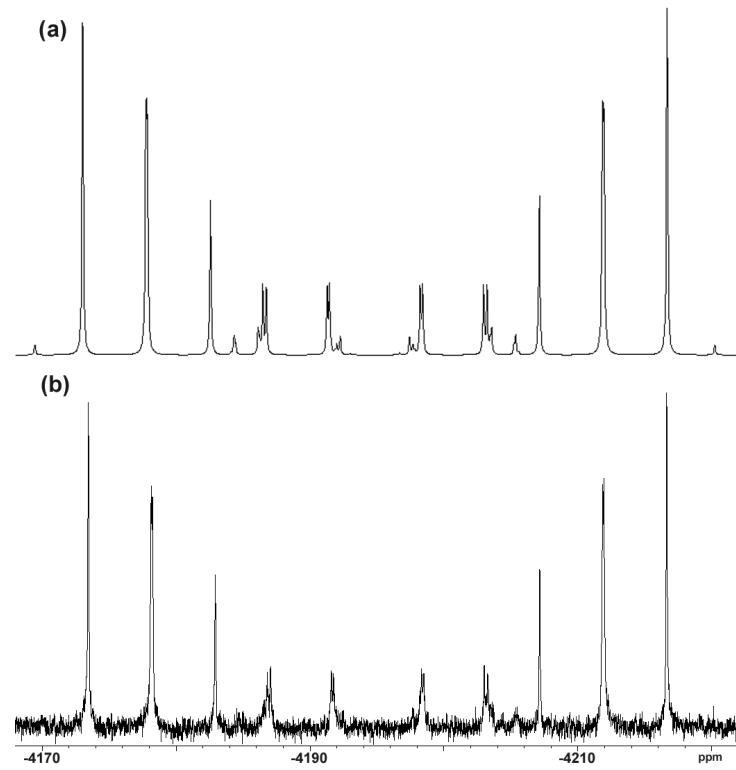
**Figure S3** (a)  $^1\text{H}$  and (b)  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectra of **2** in  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ .



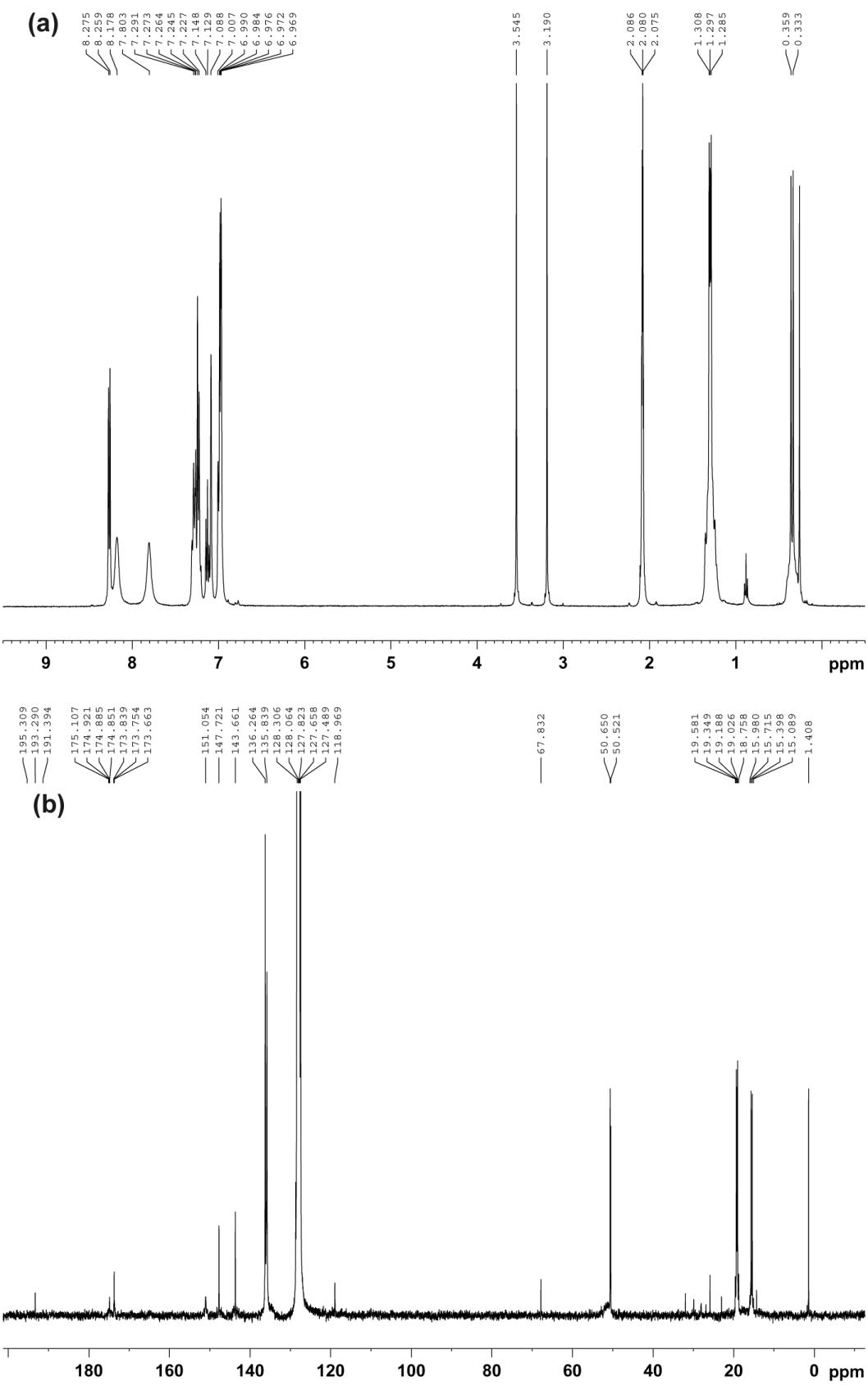
**Figure S4 (a)**  $^1\text{H}$  and (b)  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectra of **3** in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ .



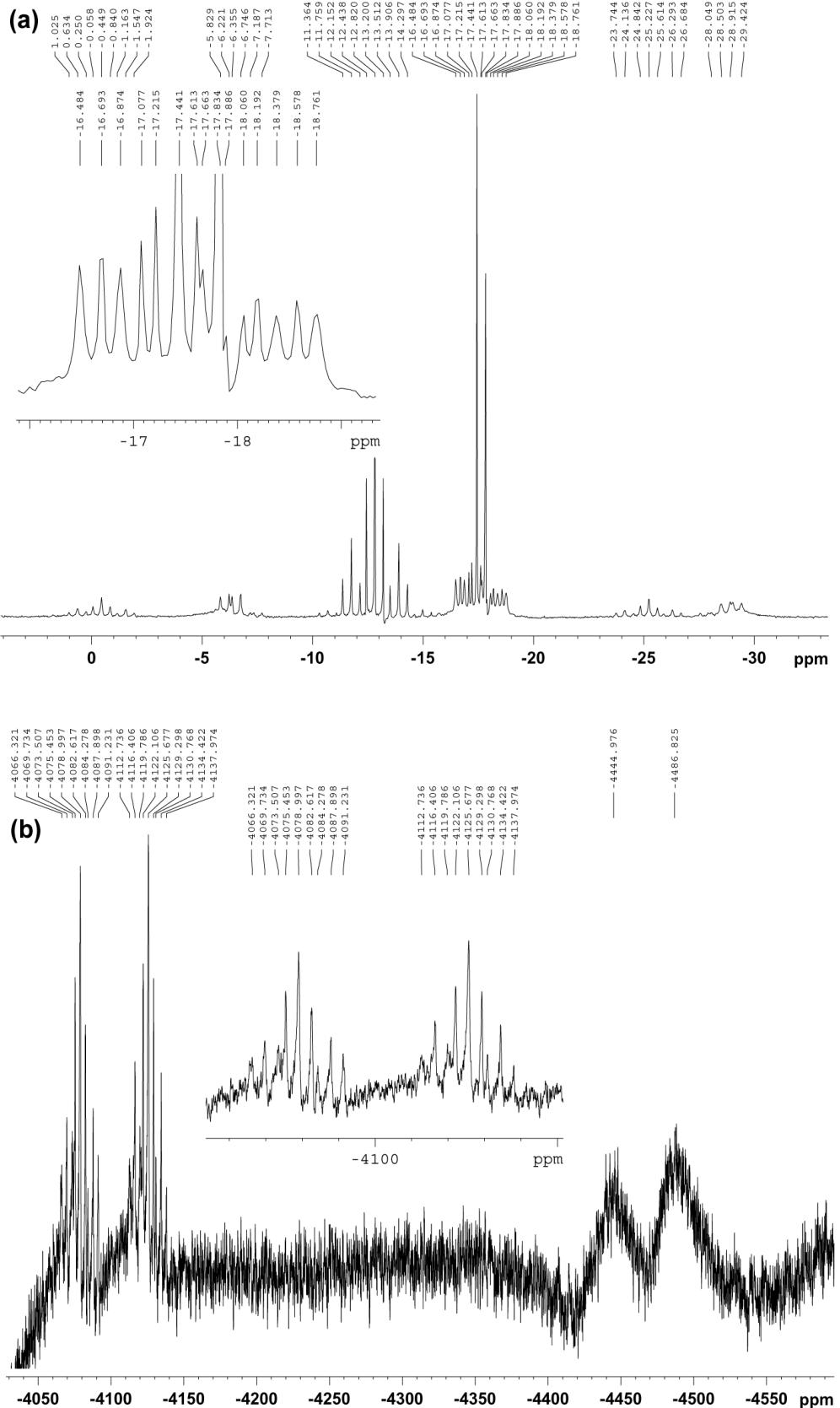
**Figure S5** (a) Simulated and (b) experimental  $^{31}\text{P}\{\text{H}\}$  NMR spectra of **3** in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ .



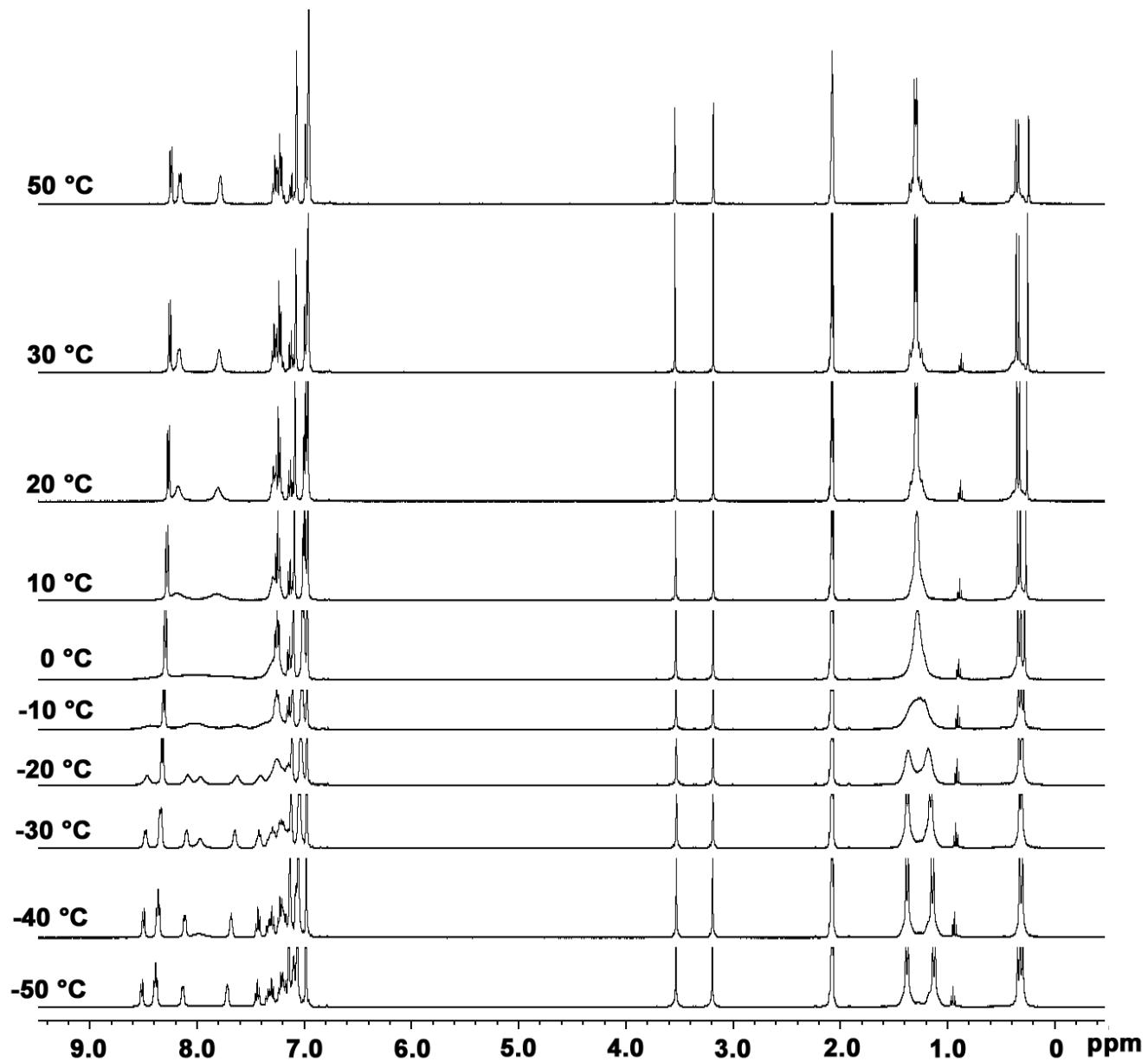
**Figure S6** (a) Simulated and (b) experimental  $^{195}\text{Pt}\{\text{H}\}$  NMR spectra of **3** in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ .



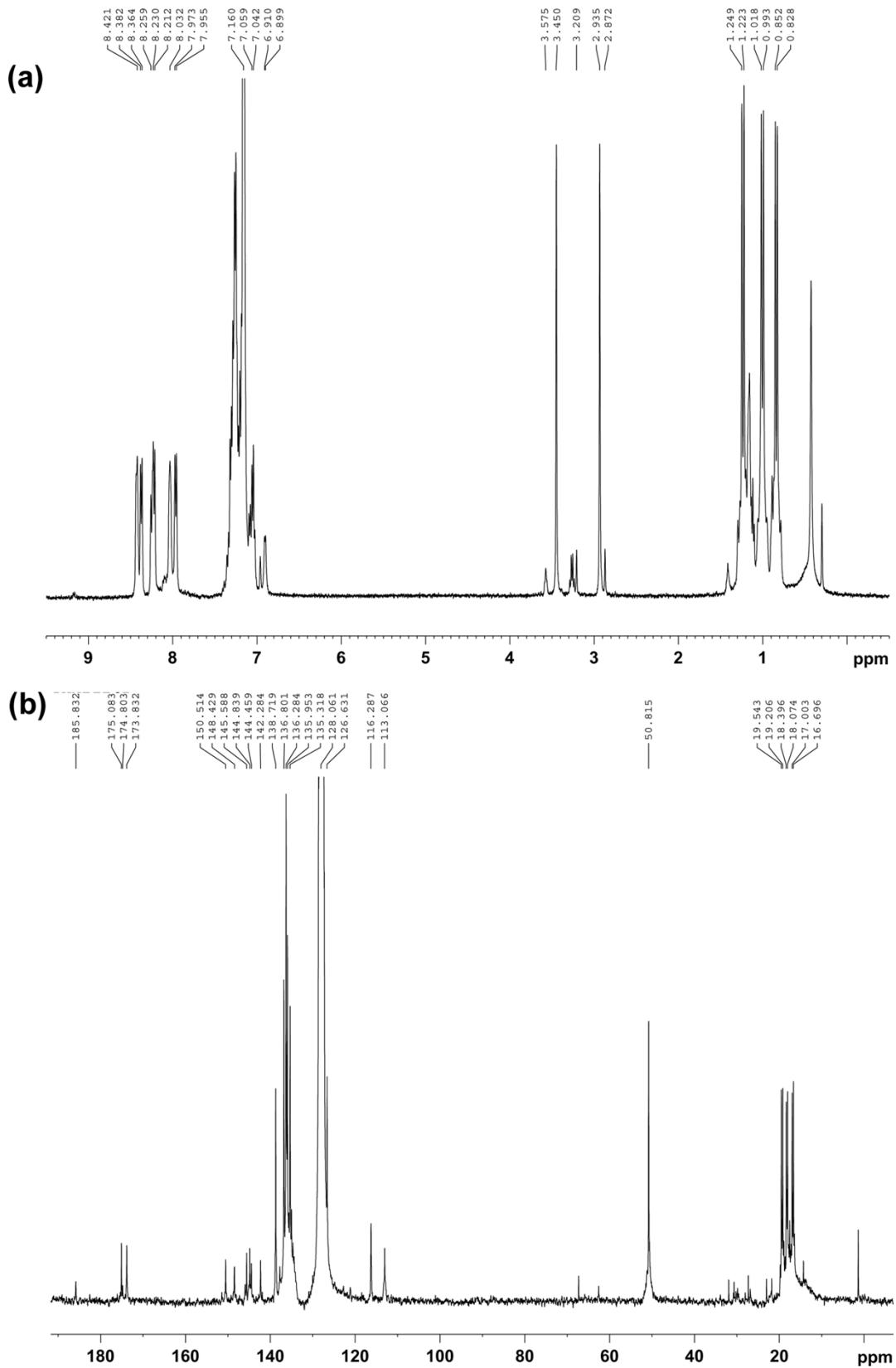
**Figure S7** (a)  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (in  $\text{C}_7\text{D}_8$ ) and (b)  $^{13}\text{C}\{\text{H}\}$  NMR (in  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ ) spectra of **4**.



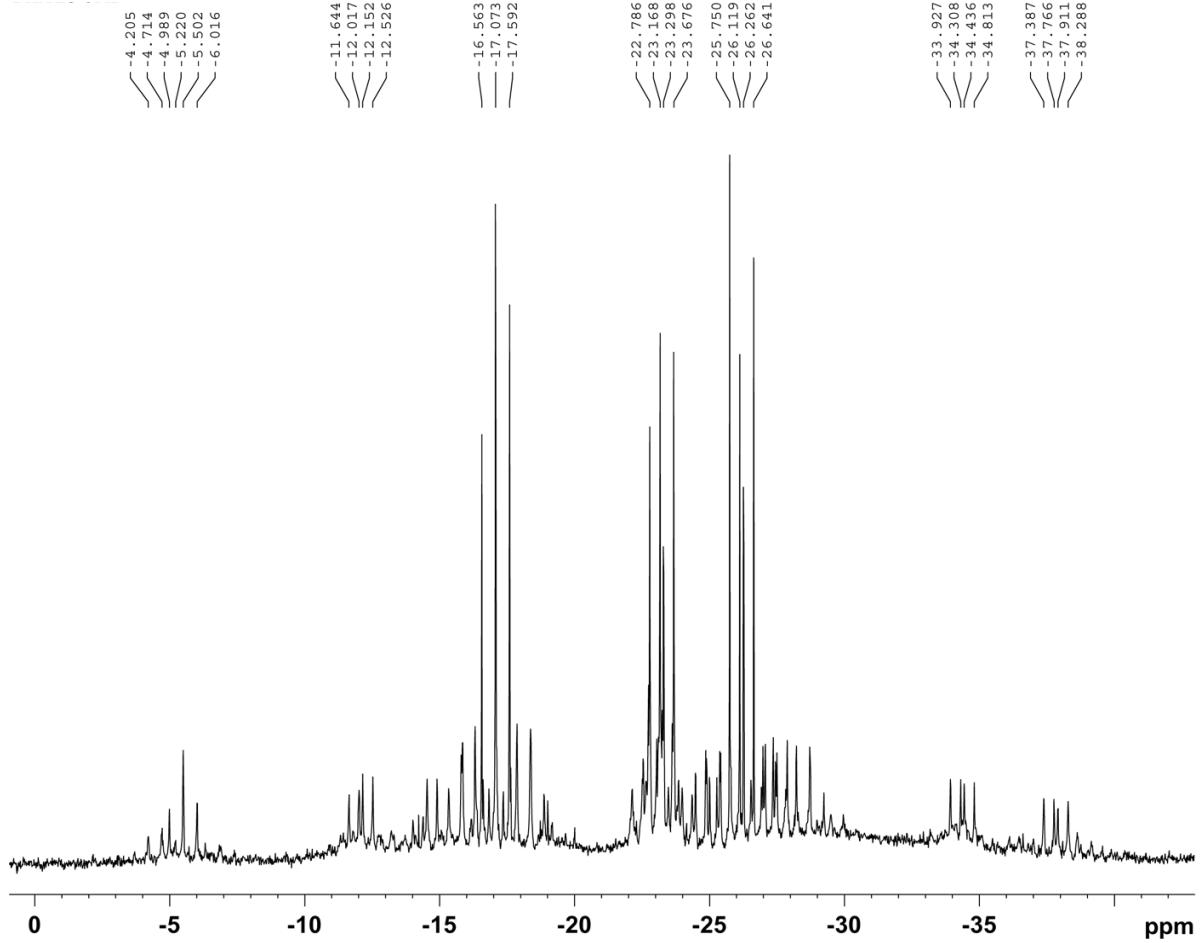
**Figure S8** (a)  $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$  and (b)  $^{195}\text{Pt}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectra of **4** in  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ .



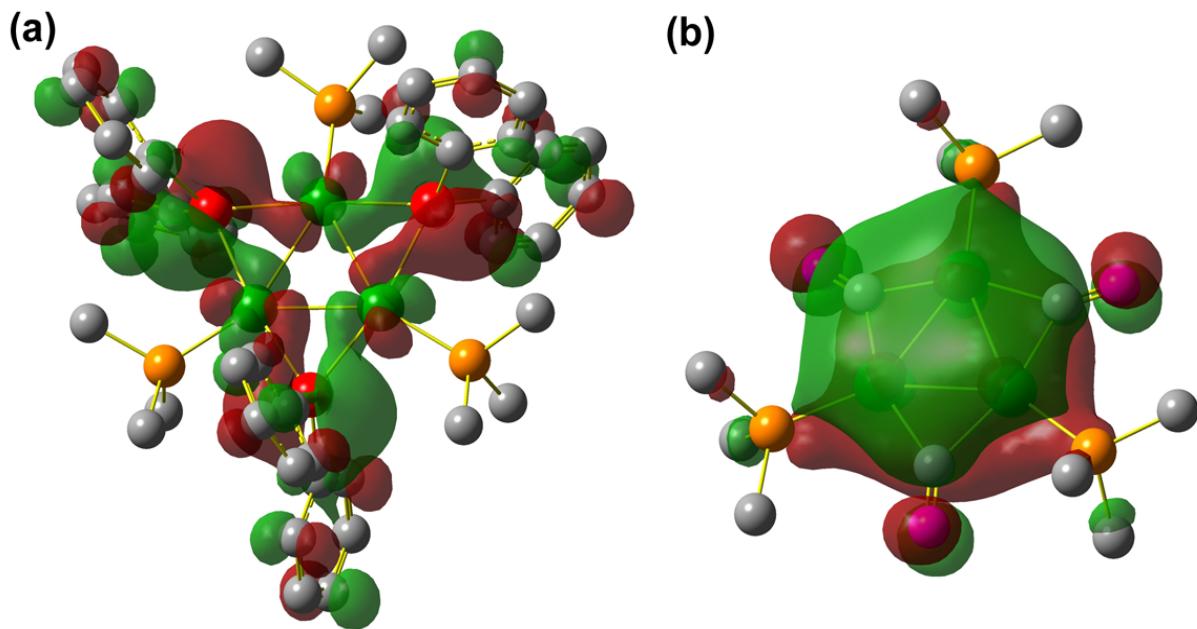
**Figure S9** Variable-temperature <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of **4** in  $C_7D_8$  from –50 to 50 °C.



**Figure S10** (a)  $^1\text{H}$  and (b)  $^{13}\text{C}\{\text{H}\}$  NMR spectra of **5** in  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ .



**Figure S11**  $^{31}\text{P}\{\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum of **5** in  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ .



**Figure S12.** LUMOs of (a) **3** and (b)  $[\{\text{Pt}(\text{PMe}_3)\}_3(\mu\text{-CO})_3]$ , optimized by DFT calculations.

**Table S2.** Experimental and calculated bond distances [ $\text{\AA}$ ] and angles [ $^\circ$ ] of **3** and  $[\{\text{Pt}(\text{PMe}_3)\}_3(\mu\text{-CO})_3]$ .<sup>a)</sup>

	<b>3</b> ( $E = \text{Ge}$ )		$[\{\text{Pt}(\text{PMe}_3)\}_3(\mu\text{-CO})_3]$ ( $E = \text{CO}$ )
	Exp.	Calc.	Calc.
Pt–Pt	2.7142(6)	2.7585	2.7159
Pt–E	2.418(2)	2.450	2.0830
Pt–P	2.244(3)	2.288	2.282
Pt–Pt–Pt	60.00(6)	60.00	60
Pt–E–Pt	68.28(3)	68.52	81.37
Ph–E–Ph	108.8(4)	109.13	—

a) All bond distances and angles are averaged.

**Table S3.** Optimized geometry of (a) **3** and (b) [<{Pt(PMe<sub>3</sub>)}\_3(μ-CO)<sub>3</sub>]

(a) Complex **3**

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(b)  $[\{\text{Pt}(\text{PMe}_3)\}_3(\mu\text{-CO})_3]$ .

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