

Supporting information for:

A Lithiomethyl Trimethylammonium Reagent as Methylene Donor

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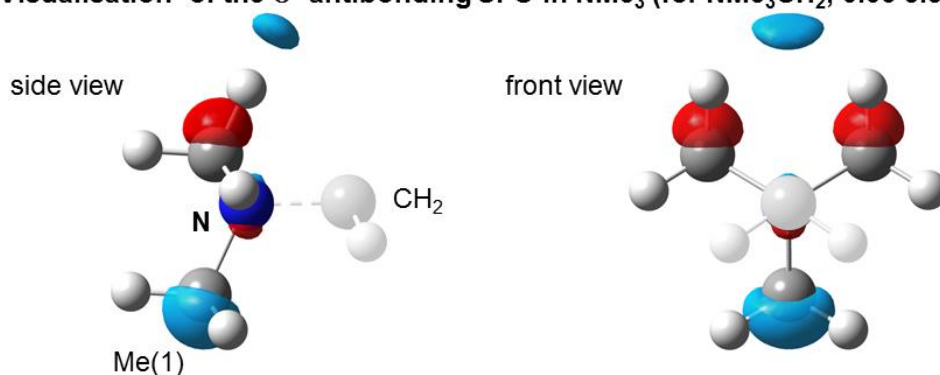
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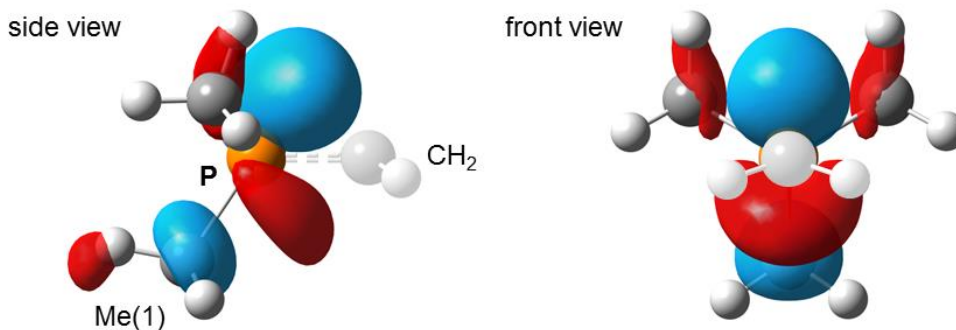
Table S1. Support for the reduced negative p, σ^* -hyperconjugation in N–C ylides vs. P–C ylides as evidenced by the reduced electronic redistribution from the CH₂ or CH₂Li⁺ fragment into the N–Me(1) vs. the P–Me(1) σ^* antibonding Symmetrised Fragment Orbital (SFO)^a of the NMe₃ and the PMe₃ fragment, respectively.

Structure	X = N (electrons ^b)	X = P (electrons ^b)
XMe ₃ CH ₂	0.06	0.34
XMe ₃ CH ₂ (Li ⁺ geometry)	0.05	0.20
XMe ₃ CH ₂ Li ⁺	0.01	0.08

Visualisation^c of the σ^* antibonding SFO in NMe₃ (for NMe₃CH₂, 0.06 electron)



Visualisation^c of the σ^* antibonding SFO in PMe₃ (for PMe₃CH₂, 0.34 electron)



^a SFOs are obtained from the ETS bond analysis, for more information see ref 1. ^b Mulliken population.

^c 5% contours.

¹ a) T. Ziegler and A. Rauk, *Inorg. Chem.*, 1979, **18**, 1558; b) T. Ziegler and A. Rauk, *Inorg. Chem.*, 1979, **18**, 1755; c) F. M. Bickelhaupt and E. J. Baerends, in *Rev. Comput. Chem.*, ed. K. B. Lipkowitz and D. B. Boyd, Wiley, New York, 2000, vol. 15, pp. 1.

2. Experimental procedures

General procedures:

Warning: to ensure a good reproducibility no traces of metals need to be present in the reaction mixture. We ensured this by cleaning all glassware, including self-made glass stir bars, using aqua regia.

All reactions were conducted under an Ar atmosphere using standard Schlenk or glove-box techniques. Flash chromatography was performed over silica gel, or over neutral or basic aluminium oxide. Concentration of solutions was conducted using a rotary evaporator. ^1H NMR spectra were recorded at 400 MHz (Bruker AV400 spectrometer) or at 500 MHz (Varian DRX500 spectrometer) with CDCl_3 , CD_3OD , or THF-D_8 as solvent. NOESY spectra were recorded at 500 MHz (Varian DRX500 spectrometer) with THF-D_8 as solvent. LED/DOSY spectra were recorded at 500 MHz (Varian DRX500 spectrometer) with THF-D_8 as solvent. ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded at 101 MHz (Bruker AV400 spectrometer) or 126 MHz (Varian DRX500 spectrometer) with CDCl_3 or THF-D_8 as solvent. The nature of the carbon was determined from HSQC ^1H , ^{13}C NMR experiments at 126 MHz (Varian DRX500 spectrometer) with THF-D_8 as solvent. ^6Li - and ^1H , ^6Li HMBC spectra were recorded at 73.62 MHz, respectively 500 MHz (both on Bruker AV500 spectrometer) with THF-D_8 as solvent. ^1H , ^{15}N HMBC spectra were recorded at 500 MHz (Varian DRX500 spectrometer) with THF-D_8 as solvent. ^{19}F NMR experiments were recorded at 376 MHz (Bruker AV400 spectrometer) with CD_3OD as solvent. Chemical shifts were determined relative to the residual solvent peaks (CHCl_3 , $\delta = 7.26$ for hydrogen atoms, $\delta = 77.0$ for carbon atoms; THF-D_8 $\delta = 3.58$ for hydrogen atoms, $\delta = 67.57$ for carbon atoms; CD_3OD $\delta = 3.31$ for hydrogen atoms, $\delta = 49.00$ for carbon atoms) or not corrected (^6Li , ^{15}N and ^{19}F). The following abbreviations are used to indicate signal multiplicity: s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; q, quartet; m, multiplet. Elemental analysis was performed by the Mikroelementaranalytisches Laboratorium der ETHZ. Melting point was measured on a Büchi melting point apparatus.

CH_2Cl_2 (purum) was purchased from Sigma-Aldrich. Anhydrous CH_2Cl_2 was distilled from CaH_2 under N_2 prior to use. Anhydrous Et_2O was distilled from Na/K under N_2 prior to use. Anhydrous THF-D_8 was distilled from CaH_2 under Ar and stored in the glove-box prior to use. Anhydrous THF was distilled from K or Na/benzophenone under N_2 prior to use.

Sodium tetrakis(3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)borate (NaBAR^{F}) was prepared according to the procedure described in ref 2; after washing the NaBAR^{F} at low temperature with anhydrous CH_2Cl_2 the NaBAR^{F} was left open to air in order to attract water as this enhances the solubility of NaBAR^{F} in CH_2Cl_2 .

NMe_4I , $n\text{BuLi}$ (2.0 M in cyclohexane), AgSO_3CF_3 (99%), $n\text{BuLi}$ (1.6 M in hexane), benzophenone, butyrophenone, 5-nonanone, benzylideneaniline and benzylidene-*tert*-butylamine were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich and used without further purification. 12-crown-4 was purchased from Sigma-Aldrich and stored in the glove box. NMe_4Cl was purchased from Acros Organics, dried under high vacuum and stored in the glove box. Cyclopropyl-4-methoxyphenyl ketone was purchased from ABCR chemicals and used without further purification. 3-phenylpropionaldehyde was purchased from TCI-Deutschland and used without further purification.

Experimental data:

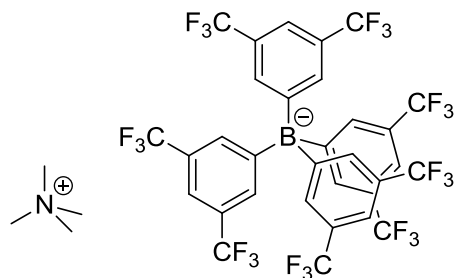
Tetramethylammonium BAR^F (6):^[3]

In a round-bottom flask equipped with stir bar and open to air, NaBAR^{F} (1 equiv., wet, open to air for a week) was dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 (40 mL/mmol NaBAR^{F}). Tetramethylammonium iodide (1.25 equiv.) was added. After stirring for 1 h the reaction was filtered over a glass filter. The CH_2Cl_2 was evaporated and the resulting powder was dissolved in Et_2O and filtered (to remove excess NMe_4I). The Et_2O was evaporated and the resulting powder was recrystallised from CH_2Cl_2 yielding the pure product. The product was then dried overnight under high vacuum.

[2] N. A. Yakelis, R. G. Bergman, *Organometallics* **2005**, 24, 3579-3581.

[3] P. N. Bartlett, D. C. Cook, M. W. George, J. Ke, W. Levason, G. Reid, W. Su, W. Zhang, *Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.* **2010**, 12, 492-502.

Characterisation:

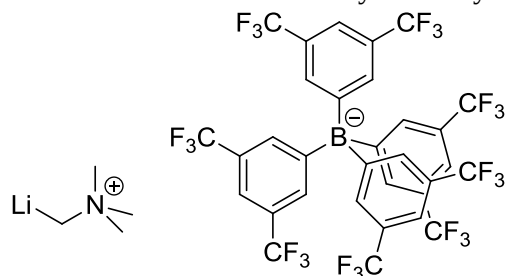


Mp 249-250 °C (from CH₂Cl₂); Elemental analysis: found: C, 45.88; H, 2.56; N, 1.49; calc. for C₃₆H₂₄BF₂₄N: C, 46.13; H, 2.58; N, 1.49 %; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, THF-D₈) δ 7.80 (s, 8H), 7.59 (s, 4H), 3.31 – 3.14 (m, 12H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, THF-D₈) δ 162.99 (dd, ¹J_(C-B) = 49.8 Hz, C), 135.78 (CH), 130.22 (qq, ²J_(C-F) = 31.5 Hz, ³J_(C-B) = 2.8 Hz, C), 125.71 (q, ¹J_(C-F) = 272.2 Hz, C), 118.38 (m, CH), 55.90 (t, ³J_(C-N) = 4.0 Hz, CH₃).

Monolithiation of tetramethylammonium BAr^F for NMR studies:

In an NMR tube (closable with a screw cap with septum) under an Ar atmosphere, tetramethylammonium BAr^F (weighed in the glove box, 1 equiv) was dissolved in anhydrous THF-D₈ (8 mL/mmol NMe₄ BAr^F). The NMR tube was cooled to approximately -40 °C and *n*BuLi (2.0 M in cyclohexane, 1.05 equiv.) was added via microsyringe. The NMR tube was closed, shaken and cooled to approximately -60 °C and transferred into the NMR spectrometer.

Characterisation of lithiomethyl trimethylammonium BAr^F:



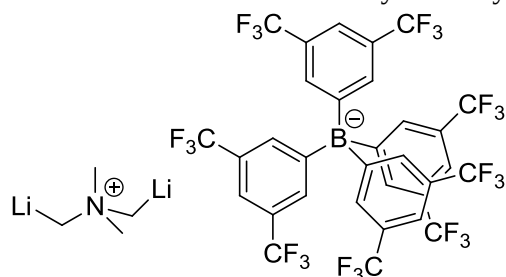
¹H NMR (500 MHz, THF-D₈, -30 °C) δ 7.84 (s, broad, 8H), 7.64 (s, broad, 4H), 2.95 (s, 9H), 2.27 (s, 2H); Residual peaks: 3.17 (s, NMe₄), 2.10 (s, NMe₃), 1.43 (s, broad, cyclohexane), 1.31 – 1.21 (m, Bu), 0.92 – 0.83 (m, Bu); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, THF-D₈, -60 °C) δ 7.88 (s, broad, 8H), 7.69 (s, broad, 4H), 2.95 (s, 9H), 2.25 (s, 2H); Residual peaks: 3.17 (s, NMe₄), 2.10 (s, NMe₃), 1.66 (s, broad, cyclohexane), 1.32 – 1.24 (m, Bu), 1.20 (s, broad, cyclohexane), 0.92 – 0.83 (m, Bu); NOESY (500 MHz, THF-D₈, -30 °C): there is a strong correlation between δ 2.95 and δ 2.27; there are weak correlations between δ 3.17 and δ 2.95 and between δ 3.17 and δ 2.27; NOESY (500 MHz, THF-D₈, -60 °C): there is correlation between δ 2.95 and δ 2.25; LED/DOSY (500 MHz, THF-D₈, -60 °C): the lithiomethyl trimethylammonium and BAr^F have different diffusion constants, thus the BAr^F is, even at -60 °C, not coordinating strongly to lithiomethyl trimethylammonium in solution; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, THF-D₈, -30 °C) δ 163.02 (q, ¹J_(C-B) = 49.6 Hz, C), 135.63 (s, CH), 130.13 (qq, ²J_(C-F) = 31.5 Hz, ³J_(C-B) = 2.7 Hz, C), 125.61 (q, ¹J_(C-F) = 272.3 Hz, C), 118.44 (m, CH), 76.82 (s, broad, CH₂), 60.16 (s, CH₃); Residual peaks: 55.73 – 55.00 (m, ¹J_(C-N), NMe₄), 48.20 (s, NMe₃), 32.98 (s, aliphatic), 27.87 (s, cyclohexane), 26.05 (s, Bu), 23.94 (s, aliphatic), 14.52 (s, Bu); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, THF-D₈, -60 °C) δ 163.11 (q, ¹J_(C-B) = 49.6 Hz, C), 135.56 (s, CH), 130.11 (qq, ²J_(C-F) = 31.5 Hz, ³J_(C-B) = 2.5 Hz, C), 125.58 (q, ¹J_(C-F) = 272.3 Hz, C), 118.52 (s, CH), 76.33 (q, ⁷J_(C-Li) = 34.9 Hz, CH₂), 59.98 (s, CH₃); Residual peaks: 55.25 – 55.12 (m, ¹J_(C-N), NMe₄), 48.24 (s, NMe₃), 33.11 (s, aliphatic), 27.83 (s, cyclohexane), 26.16 (s, Bu), 14.70 (s, Bu); ⁶Li NMR (73.61 MHz, THF-D₈, -30 °C) -1.04 (s); ⁶Li NMR (73.61 MHz, THF-D₈, -60 °C) -0.94 (s); ¹H, ⁶Li HMBC (73.61 MHz,

THF-D₈, -30 °C) there is correlation between ¹H-δ 2.27 and ⁶Li-δ -1.04; ¹H,⁶Li HMBC (73.61 MHz, THF-D₈, -60 °C) there is correlation between ¹H-δ 2.25 and ⁶Li-δ -0.94; ¹H,¹⁵N HMBC (500 MHz, THF-D₈, -30 °C) there is correlation between ¹H-δ 2.95 and ¹⁵N-δ 49.78 and between H-δ 2.27 and N-δ 49.78.

Double lithiation of tetramethylammonium BAr^F for NMR studies:

In an NMR tube (closable with a screw cap with septum) under an Ar atmosphere, tetramethylammonium BAr^F (weighed in the glove box, 1 equiv) was dissolved in anhydrous THF-D₈ (8 mL/mmol NMe₄ BAr^F). The NMR tube was cooled to ~ -40 °C and nBuLi (2.0 M in cyclohexane, 2.5 equiv.) was added via microsyringe. The NMR tube was closed, shaken and cooled to ~ -60 °C and transferred into the NMR spectrometer.

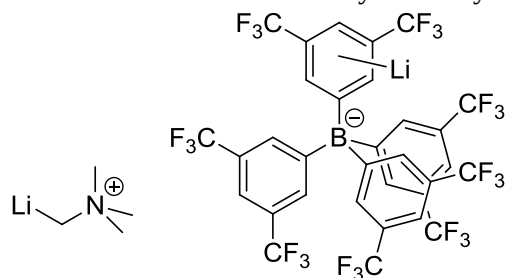
Characterisation of dilithiomethyl dimethylammonium BAr^F (**9**):



This compound slowly converts to lithiomethyl trimethylammonium LiBAr^F at -78 °C.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, THF-D₈, -78 °C) δ 7.90 (s, broad, 8H), 7.72 (s, broad, 4H), 3.00 (s, 6H), 2.11 (s, 4H); Residual peaks: 7.94 (s, LiBAr^F), 7.57 (s, LiBAr^F), 7.45 (s, LiBAr^F), 2.95 (s, lithiomethyl trimethylammonium BAr^F), 2.23 (s, lithiomethyl trimethylammonium BAr^F), 2.10 (s, NMe₃), 1.66 (s, broad, cyclohexane), 1.23 (m, cyclohexane, nBuLi and Bu), 0.93 – 0.78 (m, Bu), -0.97 – -1.23 (m, nBuLi); NOESY (500 MHz, THF-D₈, -78 °C): there is a strong correlation between δ 3.00 and δ 2.11; there are weak correlations between δ 3.17 and δ 2.95 and between δ 3.17 and δ 2.27; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, THF-D₈, -78 °C) δ 163.16 (q, ¹J_(C-B) = 49.6 Hz, C), 135.49 (s, CH), 130.08 (qq, ²J_(C-F) = 31.4 Hz, ³J_(C-B) = 2.7 Hz, C), 125.55 (q, ¹J_(C-F) = 272.4 Hz, C), 118.53 (s, CH), 73.42-71.87 (m, J_(C-Li), CH₂), 59.85 (s, CH₃); Residual peaks: 135.97 (s, CH, LiBAr^F), 131.74 (s, CH, LiBAr^F), 130.86 (s, CH, LiBAr^F), 129.32 (q, ²J_(C-F) = 31.1 Hz, C, LiBAr^F), 128.70 (s, CH, LiBAr^F), 125.80 (q, ¹J_(C-F) = 272.2 Hz, C, LiBAr^F), 117.45 (s, CH, LiBAr^F), 113.82 (s, CH, LiBAr^F), 48.26 (s, NMe₃), 45-10 (several alkanes and alkanelithium), 27.80 (s, Bu), 26.24 (s, cyclohexane), 14.83 (s, Bu); ⁶Li NMR (74 MHz, THF-D₈, -78 °C) δ 0.79, -0.04 (nBuLi), -1.88; ¹H,⁶Li HMBC (73.61 MHz, THF-D₈, -60 °C) no correlations were found, we attribute this to fast exchange processes between the different Li-species; ¹H,¹⁵N HMBC (500 MHz, THF-D₈, -78 °C) there is correlation between ¹H-δ 3.00 and ¹⁵N-δ 56.88 and between H-δ 2.11 and N-δ 56.88 and between ¹H-δ 2.95 and ¹⁵N-δ 49.78, likely the concentration of NMe₃CH₂Li is too low to give the correlation between ¹H-δ 2.23 and ¹⁵N-δ 49.78.

Characterisation of lithiomethyl trimethylammonium LiBAr^F:



¹H NMR (500 MHz, THF-D₈, -30 °C) δ 7.93 – 7.81 (m, 8H), 7.63 (s, broad), 7.51 (s, broad), 7.46 (s, broad), 7.39 (s, broad), 2.86 (s, 9H), 2.25 (s, 2H); Residual peaks: 2.11 (s, NMe₃), 1.43 (s, broad,

cyclohexane), 1.31 – 1.05 (m, Bu), 0.99 – 0.77 (m, Bu); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, THF- D_8 , -60 °C) δ 7.95 – 7.83 (m, 8H), 7.68 (s, broad), 7.54 (s, broad), 7.44 (s, broad), 7.34 (s, broad), 2.85 (s, 9H), 2.20 (s, 2H); Residual peaks: 2.25 (s), 2.11 (s, NMe_3), 1.66 (s, broad, cyclohexane), 1.34 – 1.24 (m, Bu), 1.20 (s, broad, cyclohexane), 0.94 – 0.83 (m, Bu); NOESY (500 MHz, THF- D_8 , -60 °C): there are no correlations with respect to either $(\text{Li})\text{BAR}^{\text{F}}$ or lithiomethyl trimethylammonium, we attribute this to fast exchange processes between the different Li-species; ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, THF- D_8 , -60 °C) δ 167.06 – 164.71 (m, broad, C), 163.10 (q, $^1J_{(\text{C-B})} = 49.6$ Hz, C), 151.70 – 149.30 (m, broad, C), 141.21 (s, C), 140.40 (q, $^2J_{(\text{C-F})} = 24.4$ Hz, C), 136.52 (s, CH), 136.00 (s, CH), 135.54 (s, CH), 133.13 (s, C), 132.51 (s, CH), 131.81 (s, CH), 130.96 (s, C), 130.09 (q, $^2J_{(\text{C-F})} = 32.1$ Hz, C), 129.33 (q, $^2J_{(\text{C-F})} = 31.3$ Hz, C), 125.82 (q, $^1J_{(\text{C-F})} = 272.2$ Hz, C), 125.56 (q, $^1J_{(\text{C-F})} = 272.3$ Hz, C), 126.10 (q, $^1J_{(\text{C-F})} = 272.4$ Hz, C), 118.46 (s, CH), 117.45 (s, CH), 116.49 (s, CH), 113.80 (s, C), 78.48 – 75.06 (m, broad, CH_2), 59.91 (s, CH_3); Residual peaks: 48.24 (s, NMe_3), 27.83 (s, Bu), 26.16 (s, cyclohexane), 14.72 (s, Bu); ^6Li NMR (74 MHz, THF- D_8 , -30 °C) δ 2.0 – -2.0 (s, broad), 0.21 (s); ^6Li NMR (74 MHz, THF- D_8 , -60 °C) δ 1.51 (s), 0.09 (s), -0.06 (s), -0.97 (s, $\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}$), -1.93 (s); $^1\text{H}, ^6\text{Li}$ HMBC (73.61 MHz, THF- D_8 , -60 °C) there is correlation between ^1H - δ 2.25 and ^6Li - δ -0.94.

Study of the formation of products of the degradation of lithiomethyl trimethylammonium BAR^{F} using NMR:

In an NMR tube (closable with a screw cap with septum) under an Ar atmosphere, tetramethylammonium BAR^{F} (weighed in the glove box, 1 equiv) was dissolved in anhydrous THF- D_8 (3 mL/mmol $\text{NMe}_4 \text{BAR}^{\text{F}}$). The NMR tube was cooled to ~ -40 °C and $n\text{BuLi}$ (2.0 M in cyclohexane, 1.5 equiv.) was added via microsyringe. Consecutively, the solvent was evaporated at the Schlenk line under high vacuum at low temperature (up to ~ -20 °C) leaving an off white powder on the walls of the NMR tube. Then slowly THF- D_8 (8 mL/mmol $\text{NMe}_4 \text{BAR}^{\text{F}}$) and THF- H_8 (20 equiv.) were added to the reaction mixture. The NMR tube was closed, shaken, cooled to ~ -60 °C and transferred into the NMR spectrometer (-20 °C). The NMR tube was then kept for 16 h at 10 °C. NMR spectra were recorded after 1 h and 16 h.

Results:

After 1 h and 16 h traces of ethylene ($\delta = 5.36$ ppm), and substantial quantities of NMe_4 ($\delta = 3.16$ ppm) and NMe_3 ($\delta = 2.10$ ppm) formed.

12-crown-4 experiments:

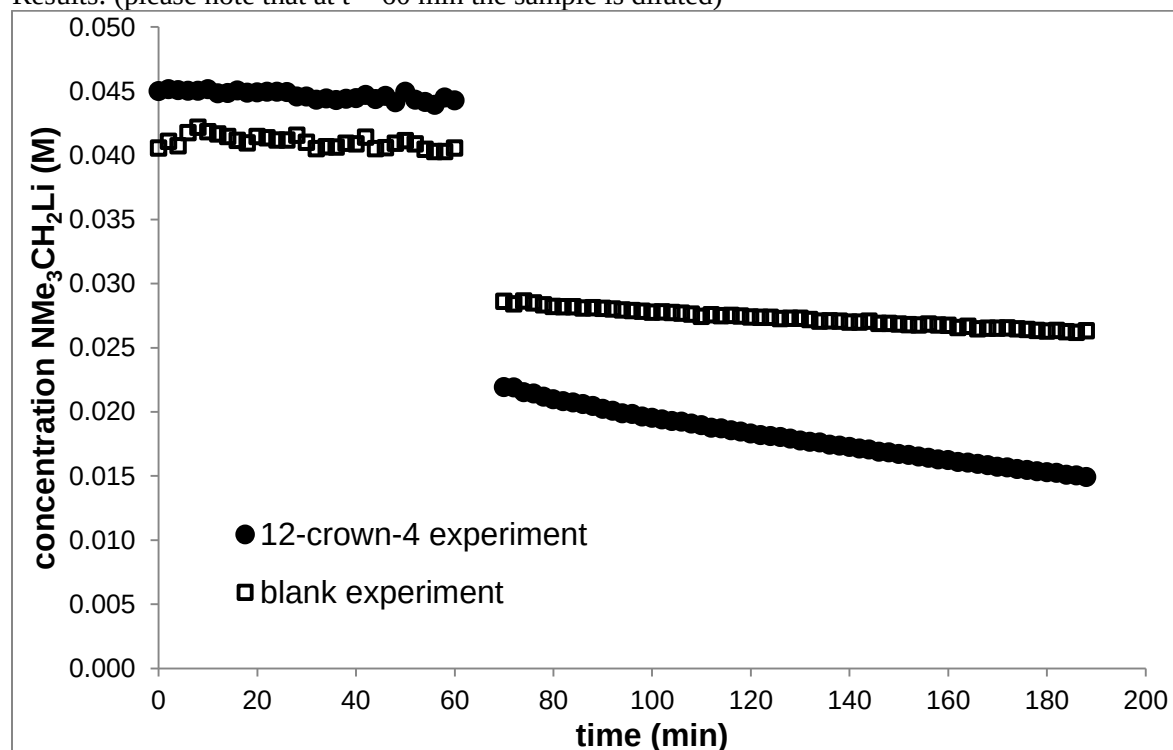
Blank experiment:

In an NMR tube (closable with a screw cap with septum) under an Ar atmosphere, tetramethylammonium BAR^{F} (weighed in the glove box, 1 equiv) was dissolved in anhydrous THF- D_8 (17 mL/mmol $\text{NMe}_4 \text{BAR}^{\text{F}}$). The NMR tube was cooled to ~ -40 °C and $n\text{BuLi}$ (2.0 M in cyclohexane, 1.1 equiv.) was added via microsyringe. The NMR tube was closed, shaken and cooled to -60 °C and transferred into the NMR spectrometer (-30 °C). Spectra were recorded over 1 h showing only slight decomposition. Then the NMR tube was removed from the NMR spectrometer and cooled to -60 °C. Then anhydrous THF- D_8 (3 mL/mmol $\text{NMe}_4 \text{BAR}^{\text{F}}$) was added. The NMR tube was shaken, cooled to ~ -60 °C and transferred into the NMR spectrometer (-30 °C). Spectra were recorded over the next 2 h.

12-crown-4 experiment:

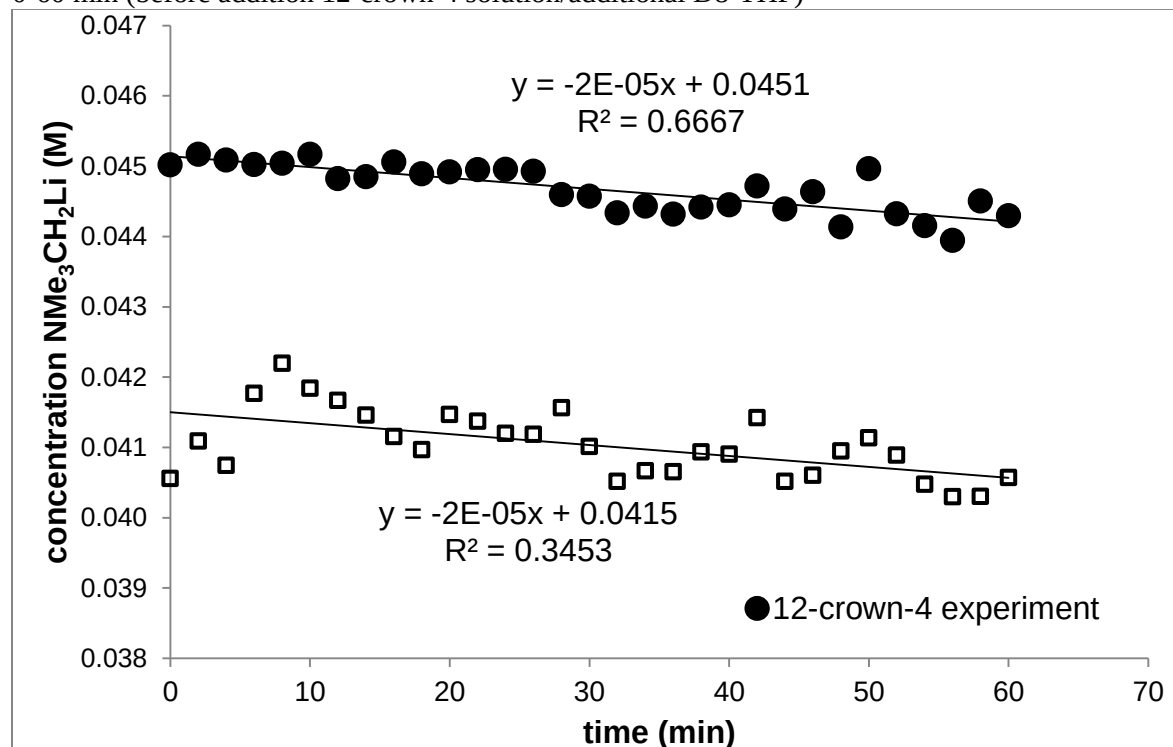
In an NMR tube (closable with a screw cap with septum) under an Ar atmosphere, tetramethylammonium BAR^{F} (weighed in the glove box, 1 equiv) was dissolved in anhydrous THF- D_8 (17 mL/mmol $\text{NMe}_4 \text{BAR}^{\text{F}}$). The NMR tube was cooled to ~ -40 °C and $n\text{BuLi}$ (2.0 M in cyclohexane, 1.1 equiv.) was added via microsyringe. The NMR tube was closed, shaken and cooled to -60 °C and transferred into the NMR spectrometer (-30 °C). Spectra were recorded over 1 h showing only slight decomposition. Then the NMR tube was removed from the NMR spectrometer and cooled to -60 °C. Then 12-crown-4 (2 equiv.) in anhydrous THF- D_8 (3 mL/mmol $\text{NMe}_4 \text{BAR}^{\text{F}}$) was added. The NMR tube was shaken, cooled to ~ -60 °C and transferred into the NMR spectrometer (-30 °C). Spectra were recorded over the next 2 h.

Results: (please note that at t = 60 min the sample is diluted)

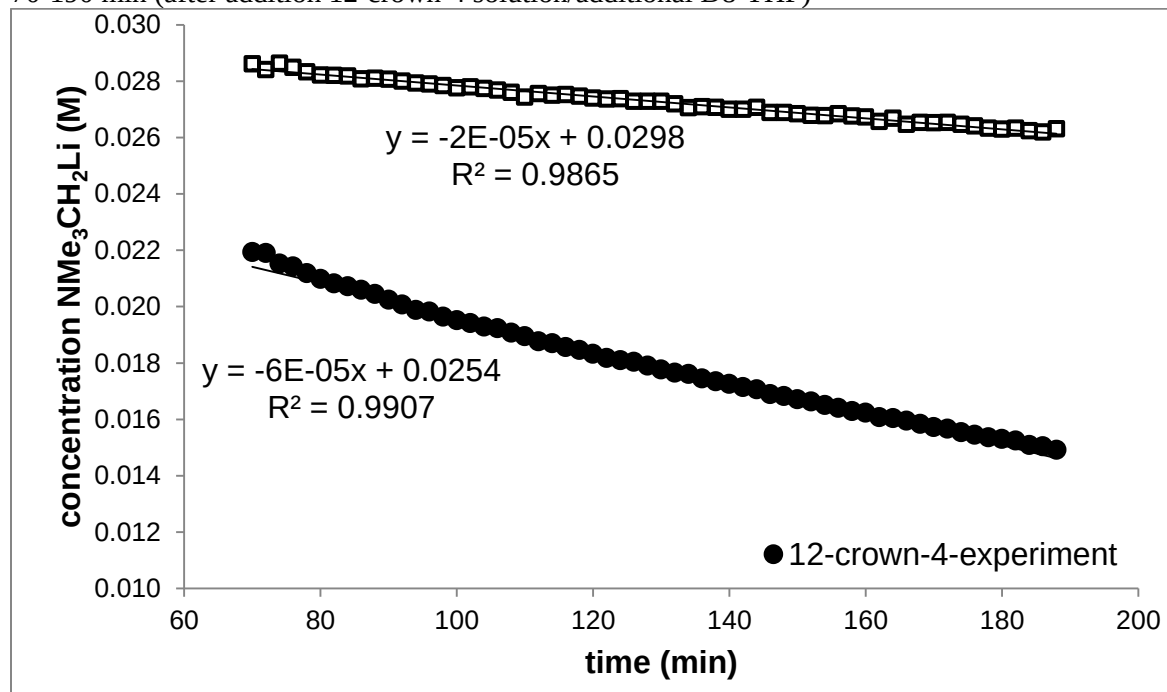


Fits:

0-60 min (before addition 12-crown-4 solution/additional D8-THF)



70-190 min (after addition 12-crown-4 solution/additional D8-THF)

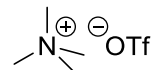


Tetramethylammonium OTf (**16**):

16 was prepared either following the procedure described by Martin and co-workers,^[4] or by anion exchange according to the following procedure:

A 250 mL round bottom flask equipped with stir bar under air, was charged with tetramethylammonium chloride (2.2020 g, 20.09 mmol, 1 equiv) and 100 mL methanol. In another flask under air, silver trifluoromethanesulfonate (5.1622 g, 20.09 mmol, 1 equiv) was dissolved in 50 mL methanol. The AgOTf solution was added to the NMe₄ OTf solution under constant stirring. After 10 minutes the suspension was filtered to remove AgCl, and the solution was concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude salt was then recrystallised from anhydrous *iso*-propanol: the crude NMe₄ OTf was dissolved in *i*PrOH (approximately 60 mL per gram of salt), after keeping the solution at -20 °C for 20 h the crystals were filtered off, and rinsed with a small amount of chilled *i*PrOH. The product was dried under high vacuum (5x10⁻² mbar) for 16h. 3.7824 g (84%) of **16** was obtained as white powder.

Characterisation:^[5]



Elemental analysis: Found: C, 26.95; H, 5.33; N, 6.22; F, 25.72; S, 14.29. Calc. for C₅H₁₂NO₃F₃S: C, 26.90; H, 5.42; N, 6.27; F, 25.53; S, 14.37 %; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 3.21-3.18 (m, 12H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 123.3 (t, ¹J_(C-F) = 319 Hz), 55.9 (t, ¹J_(C-N) = 4 Hz); ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CD₃OD) δ -76.2.

Formation of epoxides and aziridines:

General procedure from methylenation of ketones and imines:

A dried 50 mL Schlenk flask equipped with a glass coated stir bar and a glass stopper under Ar, was charged with NMe₄ OTf (390 mg, 1.74 mmol). The salt was suspended in anhydrous THF (20 mL) and

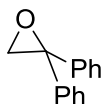
[4] D. J. Sagl, J. C. Martin, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1988**, *110*, 5827-5833.

[5] V. Beyl, H. Niederprüm, P. Voss, *Liebigs Ann. Chem.* **1970**, *731*, 58-66.

the flask was cooled down to 0 °C in an ice-water bath. *n*BuLi (1.00 mL, 1.6 M, 1.60 mmol) was added to the suspension and the flask was completely closed using the glass stopper and the Schlenk tap to prevent any gas exchange. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 minutes at 0 °C. Then under an Ar counterflow at 0 °C, the ketone or imine substrate was added (1.45 mmol) either neat, or alternatively if the substrate is solid, dissolved in 2 mL of anhydrous THF. The flask was then again fully closed and the stirring was continued for 16 h during which the temperature was allowed to slowly reach room temperature. Then the reaction mixture was diluted with 30 mL of H₂O and transferred to a separation funnel. 20 mL of pentane was used to rinse the Schlenk flask and perform the first extraction of the aqueous phase. The aqueous phase was extracted using pentane (2x 10 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with H₂O (4x 10 mL) and brine (10 mL), dried using MgSO₄, filtered and the solvent was concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude material was then purified by column chromatography on neutral aluminium oxide (epoxides), or basic aluminium oxide (aziridines).

2,2-diphenyloxirane (**19a**):

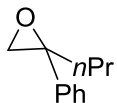
Benzophenone was used as substrate. **19a** was purified using column chromatography (neutral aluminium oxide) with a mixture of pentane/Et₂O (85/15) as eluent. 190 mg of **19a** (67 % yield) was obtained as a colorless oil.



All experimental data was in agreement with data in ref 6.

2-phenyl-2-propyloxirane (**19b**):

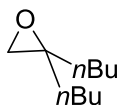
Butyrophenone was used as substrate. **19b** was purified using column chromatography (neutral aluminium oxide) with a mixture of pentane/Et₂O (95/5) as eluent. 173 mg of **19b** (73 % yield) was obtained as a colorless oil.



All experimental data was in agreement with data in ref 7.

2,2-dibutyloxirane (**19c**):

Nonanone was used as substrate. **19c** was purified using column chromatography (neutral aluminium oxide) with a mixture of pentane/Et₂O (96/4) as eluent. 190 mg of **19c** (84 % yield) was obtained as a colorless oil.



All experimental data was in agreement with data in ref 8.

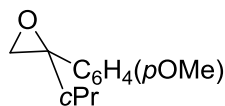
2-cyclopropyl-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)oxirane (**19d**):

Cyclopropyl-4-methoxyphenyl ketone was used as substrate. All attempts to purify **19d** by traditional methods caused **19d** to decompose, therefore the crude product was characterised, the impurity consists of the ring-opened epoxide product: 2-cyclopropyl-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)acetaldehyde. 199 mg of a mixture of approximately 94% **19d** (corresponding to 68 % yield of **19d**) and 6% 2-cyclopropyl-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)acetaldehyde was obtained as a colorless oil.

[6] Y. H. Kim, B. C. Chung, *J. Org. Chem.* **1983**, *48*, 1564-1565.

[7] B. Wang, O. A. Wong, M.-X. Zhao, Y. Shi, *J. Org. Chem.* **2008**, *73*, 9539-9543.

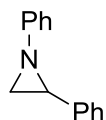
[8] F.-L. Wu, B. P. Ross, R. P. McGeary, *Eur. J. Org. Chem.* **2010**, 1989-1998.



Characterisation: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.42 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 6.91 – 6.85 (m, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 2.86 (d, J = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.76 (d, J = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 1.50 (tt, J = 8.3, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 0.59 – 0.52 (m, 2H), 0.44 – 0.37 (m, 2H). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.18, 132.91, 127.44, 113.74, 69.97, 55.42, 54.60, 14.44, 2.42, 1.94. MS(EI(+)) m/z 190.2 (M^+ , 6), 161.2 (100), 145.9 (18), 130.9 (14), 91 (32), 77.0 (14), 62.9 (5).

1,2-diphenylaziridine (**21a**):

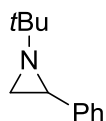
Benzylideneaniline was used as substrate. **21a** was purified using column chromatography (basic aluminium oxide) with a mixture of pentane/ NEt_3 (95/5) as eluent. 135 mg of **21a** (46 % yield) was obtained as a colorless oil.



All experimental data was in agreement with data in ref 9.

1-*tert* butyl-2-diphenylaziridine (**21b**):

Benzylidene-*tert*-butylamine was used as substrate. **21b** was purified using column chromatography (basic aluminium oxide) with a mixture of pentane/ NEt_3 (98/2) as eluent. 185 mg of **21b** (73 % yield) was obtained as a colorless oil.

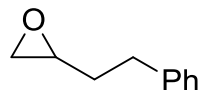


All experimental data was in agreement with data in ref 10.

2-phenethyloxirane (**23**):

A dried 50 mL Schlenk flask equipped with a glass coated stir bar and a glass stopper under Ar, was charged with NMe_4 OTf (390 mg, 1.74 mmol). The salt was suspended in anhydrous THF (20 mL) and the flask was cooled down to 0 °C in an ice-water bath. $n\text{BuLi}$ (1.00 mL, 1.6 M, 1.60 mmol) was added to the suspension and the flask was completely closed using the glass stopper and the Schlenk tap to prevent any gas exchange. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 minutes at 0 °C. Then under an Ar counterflow at 0 °C, 3-phenylpropionaldehyde (192 μL , 1.45 mmol) was added neat. The flask was then again fully closed and the stirring was continued for 30 min. The flask was then opened to the Ar line and the reaction mixture was stirred for 5 h at 65 °C. Then the reaction mixture was allowed to cool to room temperature with 30 mL of H_2O and transferred to a separation funnel. 20 mL of pentane was used to rinse the Schlenk flask and perform the first extraction of the aqueous phase. The aqueous phase was extracted using pentane (2x 10 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with H_2O (4x 10 mL) and brine (10 mL), dried using MgSO_4 , filtered and the solvent was concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude material was then purified by distillation under reduced pressure in a Kugelrohr apparatus. 125 mg of **23** (58 % yield) was obtained as a colorless oil.

Characterisation:



[9] W. Chamchaang, A. R. Pinhas, *J. Org. Chem.* **1990**, 55, 2943-2950.

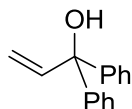
[10] Y. Da, Y. Wu, A.-H. Liu, L.-N. He, *J. Org. Chem.* **2008**, 73, 4709-4712.

All experimental data was in agreement with data in ref 11.

1,1-diphenylprop-2-en-1-ol (24**):**

A dried 50 mL Schlenk flask equipped with a glass coated stir bar and a glass stopper under Ar, was charged with NMe₄ OTf (382 mg, 1.71 mmol). The salt was suspended in anhydrous THF (20 mL) and the flask was cooled down to 0 °C in an ice-water bath. *n*BuLi (1.00 mL, 1.6 M, 1.60 mmol) was added to the suspension and the flask was completely closed using the glass stopper and the Schlenk tap to prevent any gas exchange. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 minutes at 0 °C. Then under an Ar counterflow at 0 °C, 2,2-diphenyloxirane (160 mg, 0.82 mmol) dissolved in 2 mL of anhydrous THF was added. The flask was then again fully closed and the stirring was continued for 18 h during which the temperature was allowed to slowly reach room temperature. Then the reaction mixture was diluted with 30 mL of H₂O and transferred to a separation funnel. 20 mL of pentane was used to rinse the Schlenk flask and perform the first extraction of the aqueous phase. The aqueous phase was extracted using pentane (2x 10 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with H₂O (4x 10 mL) and brine (10 mL), dried using MgSO₄, filtered and the solvent was concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude material was then purified by column chromatography (silica gel) with a mixture of pentane/EtOAc (90/10) as eluent. 120 mg of **24** (70 % yield) was obtained as a colorless oil. The oil solidified slowly.

Characterisation:



All experimental data was in agreement with data in ref 12.

[11] D. Bernier, A. J. Blake, S. Woodward, *J. Org. Chem.* **2008**, 73, 4229-4232.

[12] M. Hatano, S. Suzuki, K. Ishihara, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2006**, 128, 9998-9999.

3. Density-functional theory calculations

a) Influence of a Li cation on the stability of P-C and N-C ylides

A) Computational methods

Density functional theory (DFT) calculations were performed with the Gaussian 09 suite^[13] employing the M06 density functional.^[14] Geometry optimisations were performed with either the SDB-aug-cc-pVDZ basis set or the SDB-aug-cc-pVTZ basis set for all elements. The GEDIIS algorithm^[15] was applied in combination with an ultrafine integration grid and tight SCF and geometry convergence criteria. Occasionally, when solvent molecules were incorporated, convergence problems arose in the geometry optimisations; these optimisations were performed using IOp(2/15=3), which turns off the use of symmetry and reorientation of the molecule. The nature of each stationary point was confirmed by a frequency analysis. For structures optimised with the SDB-aug-cc-pVDZ basis set, subsequent single-point energies were calculated with the SDB-aug-cc-pVTZ basis set, to which the SDB-aug-cc-pVDZ zero-point energy corrections were added.^[16]

Furthermore, geometry optimisations were done including solvation effects by using the polarisable continuum model for THF with radii and non-electrostatic terms for the SMD model.^[17] For structures optimised with the SDB-aug-cc-pVDZ basis set, subsequent single-point energies were calculated with the SDB-aug-cc-pVTZ basis set using the SMD(THF) model, to which the SDB-aug-cc-pVDZ/SMD(THF) zero-point energy corrections were added.^[18] For all geometry optimisations using the polarisable solvent model IOp(2/15=3) was used since we encountered that otherwise problems with convergence occurred, and furthermore that the single-point energies were inconsistent due to reorientation of the molecule in the solvent cage.

Additionally, geometries were reoptimised with the Amsterdam Density Functional 2010 (ADF2010) suite^[19] employing the BP86 density functional and an all-electron Slater-type basis set of triple-zeta quality with added polarisation functions (TZP). The auxiliary fit set was extended to QZ4P to obtain more accurate Coulomb interaction energies. The integration accuracy was set to 7.0, and geometry convergence criteria of 2×10^{-5} on the energy and 3×10^{-4} on the gradients were used. To remove eigenvectors corresponding to small eigenvalues from the valence space, thus reducing numerical

[13] Gaussian 09, Revision A.1, M. J. Frisch, G. W. Trucks, H. B. Schlegel, G. E. Scuseria, M. A. Robb, J. R. Cheeseman, G. Scalmani, V. Barone, B. Mennucci, G. A. Petersson, H. Nakatsuji, M. Caricato, X. Li, H. P. Hratchian, A. F. Izmaylov, J. Bloino, G. Zheng, J. L. Sonnenberg, M. Hada, M. Ehara, K. Toyota, R. Fukuda, J. Hasegawa, M. Ishida, T. Nakajima, Y. Honda, O. Kitao, H. Nakai, T. Vreven, J. A. Montgomery, Jr., J. E. Peralta, F. Ogliaro, M. Bearpark, J. J. Heyd, E. Brothers, K. N. Kudin, V. N. Staroverov, R. Kobayashi, J. Normand, K. Raghavachari, A. Rendell, J. C. Burant, S. S. Iyengar, J. Tomasi, M. Cossi, N. Rega, J. M. Millam, M. Klene, J. E. Knox, J. B. Cross, V. Bakken, C. Adamo, J. Jaramillo, R. Gomperts, R. E. Stratmann, O. Yazyev, A. J. Austin, R. Cammi, C. Pomelli, J. W. Ochterski, R. L. Martin, K. Morokuma, V. G. Zakrzewski, G. A. Voth, P. Salvador, J. J. Dannenberg, S. Dapprich, A. D. Daniels, Ö. Farkas, J. B. Foresman, J. V. Ortiz, J. Cioslowski, and D. J. Fox, Gaussian, Inc., Wallingford CT, **2009**.

[14] Y. Zhao, D. G. Truhlar, *Theor. Chem. Account*, **2008**, *120*, 215-241.

[15] X. Li, M. J. Frisch, *J. Chem. Theory and Comput.*, **2006**, *2*, 835-839.

[16] Energies obtained from the calculations with the two basis sets differ by less than 1.05 kcal mol⁻¹.

[17] A. V. Marenich, C. J. Cramer, D. G. Truhlar, *J. Phys. Chem. B*, **2009**, *113*, 6378-6396.

[18] Energies obtained from the calculations with the two basis sets using SMD(THF) differ by less than 0.57 kcal mol⁻¹.

[19] a) ADF2010, SCM, Theoretical Chemistry, Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, <http://www.scm.com>; b) C. Fonseca Guerra, J. G. Snijders, G. te Velde, E. J. Baerends, *Theor. Chem. Acc.* **1998**, *99*, 391-403; c) G. te Velde, F. M. Bickelhaupt, S. J. A. van Gisbergen, C. Fonseca Guerra, E. J. Baerends, J. G. Snijders, T. Ziegler, *J. Comput. Chem.* **2001**, *22*, 931-967.

problems, the key *dependency tolbas* = 1×10^{-4} was used. Extended Transition State^[20] (ETS) bond analyses in terms of the separate fragments were performed with ADF2010^[19] using the BP86/TZP electron densities.

According to the extended transition-state model,^[20] the net bond energy (ΔE_{net}) between two fragments can be decomposed in three steps:

- 1) the two fragments are distorted from their equilibrium structures towards the (spatial and electronic) structures that the fragments possess in the total molecule – this requires a preparation energy ΔE_{prep} ;
- 2) the distorted fragments are brought from infinite separation to their molecule positions, without changing their electron densities – this affords the Pauli repulsion (ΔE_{Pauli}) and electrostatic attraction (ΔV_{elstat}) contributions;
- 3) the sum-of-fragments electron density is relaxed to the molecular density – this affords the total orbital interaction energy (ΔE_{oi}).

The last three interactions are usually summed to give the total interaction energy (ΔE_{int}). Furthermore, the net transfer of electron density between the fragments is indicated by their Hirshfeld charges.

B) Optimised Energies and Thermochemistry

1) Gaussian: M06/aug-cc-pVDZ

Table S1. M06/aug-cc-pVDZ results in Hartree (at 298.15 K, S_{tot} in $\text{kcal mol}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$)^a

Structure	$E_{\text{aug-cc-pVDZ}}$	ZPE	H_{corr}	S_{tot}	G_{corr}	$E_{\text{aug-cc-pVTZ//aug-cc-pVDZ}}$
THF	-232.307513265	0.115598	0.120532	0.121476	0.087483	-232.369102784
BuH	-158.320118842	0.129998	0.135878	0.136822	0.101899	-158.372861553
BuLi	-165.205210162	0.117860	0.125040	0.125985	0.087684	-165.255398999
BuLi(THF) ₂	-629.882328532	0.352233	0.371944	0.372888	0.299787	-630.051580719
BuLi(THF) ₃	-862.211603424	0.471065	0.496735	0.497679	0.412062	
NMe ₄ ⁺	-213.993522362	0.161497	0.168076	0.169020	0.134966	-214.062858812
NMe ₃ CH ₂	-213.528020178	0.145883	0.152444	0.153389	0.117169	-213.593215811
NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li ⁺	-220.926436504	0.149676	0.157528	0.158473	0.118967	-220.993285762
NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₂ ⁺	-685.624260795	0.385748	0.405922	0.406866	0.335158	-685.810999050
NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₃ ⁺	-917.963513624	0.502026	0.528868	0.529812	0.441163	
PMe ₄ ⁺	-500.648207089	0.148973	0.157827	0.158771	0.119408	-500.723196548
PMe ₃ CH ₂	-500.206811587	0.134870	0.143667	0.144612	0.103206	-500.280464887
PMe ₃ CH ₂ Li ⁺	-507.593647116	0.138091	0.148096	0.149040	0.104407	-507.667084239
PMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₂ ⁺	-972.292989716	0.373710	0.396215	0.397159	0.318904	-972.486779045
PMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₃ ⁺	-1204.633633490	0.490204	0.518221	0.519165	0.429780	

[a] Unscaled frequencies.

[20] a) T. Ziegler, A. Rauk, *Inorg. Chem.* **1979**, *18*, 1558-1565; b) T. Ziegler, A. Rauk, *Inorg. Chem.* **1979**, *18*, 1755-1759; c) F. M. Bickelhaupt, E. J. Baerends, in: *Rev. Comput. Chem.*; K. B. Lipkowitz, D. B. Boyd, Eds.; Wiley, New York, **2000**, Vol. 15, pp.1-86.

2) Gaussian: M06/aug-cc-pVDZ/SMD(THF)

Table S2. M06/aug-cc-pVDZ/SMD(THF) results in Hartree (at 298.15 K, S_{tot} in kcal mol⁻¹ K⁻¹)

Structure	$E_{\text{aug-cc-pVDZ/SMD(THF)}}$	ZPE	H_{corr}	S_{tot}	G_{corr}	$E_{\text{aug-cc-pVTZ/SMD(THF)}/\text{aug-cc-pVDZ/SMD(THF)}}$
THF	-232.314063211	0.115401	0.120357	0.121301	0.087129	-232.375517334
BuH	-158.323505961	0.129727	0.135525	0.136470	0.101778	-158.376282547
BuLi	-165.228215348	0.116918	0.124209	0.125153	0.086673	-165.278106883
BuLi(THF) ₂	-629.902931770	0.352195	0.371797	0.372741	0.302294	-630.072534547
BuLi(THF) ₃	-862.237630527	0.469294	0.494951	0.495895	0.411183	
NMe ₄ ⁺	-214.080817358	0.161590	0.168097	0.169041	0.132805	-214.150114819
NMe ₃ CH ₂	-213.548874987	0.146204	0.152737	0.153681	0.117475	-213.614272877
NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li ⁺	-221.012870635	0.149409	0.157197	0.158141	0.118925	-221.079462114
NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₂ ⁺	-685.693811915	0.384043	0.404390	0.405334	0.332410	-685.880207918
NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₃ ⁺	-918.030637741	0.502400	0.528495	0.529439	0.445748	
PMe ₄ ⁺	-500.729234296	0.149692	0.158082	0.159026	0.118557	-500.804579404
PMe ₃ CH ₂	-500.217127164	0.134856	0.143478	0.144422	0.103379	-500.290101062
PMe ₃ CH ₂ Li ⁺	-507.676264765	0.137327	0.147361	0.148305	0.103735	-507.749793614
PMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₂ ⁺	-972.359028057	0.373132	0.395383	0.396327	0.320703	-972.552628690
PMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₃ ⁺	-1204.696419020	0.490600	0.519028	0.519972	0.429336	

3) Gaussian: M06/aug-cc-pVTZ

Table S3. M06/aug-cc-pVTZ results in Hartree (at 298.15 K, S_{tot} in kcal mol⁻¹ K⁻¹)

Structure	$E_{\text{aug-cc-pVTZ}}$	ZPE	H_{corr}	S_{tot}	G_{corr}
BuH	-158.373330492	0.130708	0.136500	0.137445	0.103370
BuLi	-165.255848654	0.118445	0.125569	0.126513	0.088350
NMe ₄ ⁺	-214.063345642	0.162709	0.168959	0.169903	0.136618
NMe ₃ CH ₂	-213.593725331	0.146349	0.152866	0.153810	0.117707
NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li ⁺	-220.993793260	0.150227	0.158025	0.158969	0.119632
PMe ₄ ⁺	-500.723934707	0.150650	0.159046	0.159990	0.121825
PMe ₃ CH ₂	-500.281440281	0.136040	0.144633	0.145577	0.104754
PMe ₃ CH ₂ Li ⁺	-507.667926935	0.139214	0.149042	0.149986	0.105812

4) Gaussian: M06/aug-cc-pVTZ/SMD(THF)

Table S4. M06/aug-cc-pVTZ/SMD(THF) results in Hartree (at 298.15 K, S_{tot} in kcal mol⁻¹ K⁻¹)

Structure	$E_{\text{aug-cc-pVTZ/SMD(THF)}}$	ZPE	H_{corr}	S_{tot}	G_{corr}
BuH	-158.376744688	0.130514	0.136227	0.137171	0.102684
BuLi	-165.278569030	0.117618	0.124834	0.125779	0.087462
NMe ₄ ⁺	-214.150590375	0.162278	0.168680	0.169624	0.133662
NMe ₃ CH ₂	-213.614775383	0.146858	0.153306	0.154250	0.118261
NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li ⁺	-221.080061061	0.149832	0.157684	0.158628	0.118830
PMe ₄ ⁺	-500.805293710	0.150867	0.159108	0.160052	0.119904
PMe ₃ CH ₂	-500.291015792	0.135935	0.144408	0.145352	0.104701
PMe ₃ CH ₂ Li ⁺	-507.750640865	0.138665	0.148454	0.149398	0.105453

5) ADF: BP86/TZP

Table S5. ADF: BP86/TZP results in Hartree

Structure	E_{TZP}	ZPE
CH ₂ carbene(singlet)	-0.412348372	
CH ₂ Li cation	-0.276093763	
CH ₃ cation	-0.288530019	
NMe ₃	-2.471758912	
NMe ₄ cation	-2.972384262	0.158772
NMe ₂ CH ₂ anion	-2.271573100	
NMe ₃ CH ₂	-2.968209828	0.142705
NMe ₂ CH ₂ Li	-2.353016474	
NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li cation	-2.883003239	0.147025
NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₂ cation	-8.159844866	0.376135
PMe ₃	-2.374241950	
PMe ₄ cation	-2.901553100	0.147743
PMe ₂ CH ₂ anion	-2.205809443	
PMe ₃ CH ₂	-2.926964160	0.133366
PMe ₂ CH ₂ Li	-2.261283335	
PMe ₃ CH ₂ Li cation	-2.826564294	0.136805
PMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₂ cation	-8.105178309	0.366169

C) Energy difference between M06/aug-cc-pVTZ and M06/aug-cc-pVTZ//aug-cc-pVDZ structures with and without SMD(THF)

Table S6. Energy difference between M06/aug-cc-pVTZ vs. M06/aug-cc-pVTZ//aug-cc-pVDZ results in kcal mol⁻¹, ZPE or G_{corr} (at 298.15 K) included in energies^a

Structure	ΔE	$\Delta E + \Delta ZPE$	$\Delta E + \Delta G_{corr}$	$\Delta E(\text{SMD(THF)})$	$\Delta E(\text{SMD(THF)}) + \Delta ZPE$	$\Delta E(\text{SMD(THF)}) + \Delta G_{corr}$
BuH	0.29	-0.15	-0.63	0.29	-0.20	-0.28
BuLi	0.28	-0.08	-0.14	0.29	-0.15	-0.21
NMe ₄ ⁺	0.31	-0.46	-0.73	0.30	-0.13	-0.24
NMe ₃ CH ₂	0.32	0.03	-0.02	0.32	-0.10	-0.18
NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li ⁺	0.32	-0.03	-0.10	0.38	0.11	0.44
PMe ₄ ⁺	0.46	-0.59	-1.05	0.45	-0.29	-0.40
PMe ₃ CH ₂	0.61	-0.12	-0.36	0.57	-0.10	-0.26
PMe ₃ CH ₂ Li ⁺	0.53	-0.18	-0.35	0.53	-0.31	-0.55

[a] $\Delta E = E(\text{M06/aug-cc-pVTZ//aug-cc-pVDZ}) - E(\text{M06/aug-cc-pVTZ})$.

D) Solvation

Table S7. M06/aug-cc-pVDZ solvation energies in kcal mol⁻¹, G_{corr} (at 298.15 K) included in energies

Structure	Stabilisation ^a	Stabilisation 3 THF – 2 THF ^b
BuLi(THF) ₂	-15.66	
BuLi(THF) ₃	-13.76	+1.90
NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₂ ⁺	-26.09	
NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₃ ⁺	-34.38	-8.29
PMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₂ ⁺	-28.10	
PMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₃ ⁺	-34.21	-6.11

[a] Stabilisation = $E(\text{G}_{corr}) \text{RLi(THF)}_x - \{E(\text{G}_{corr}) \text{RLi} + x[E(\text{G}_{corr}) \text{THF}]\}$. [b] Stabilisation = $E(\text{G}_{corr}) \text{RLi(THF)}_3 - (E(\text{G}_{corr}) \text{RLi(THF)}_2 + E(\text{G}_{corr}) \text{THF})$.

Table S8. M06/aug-cc-pVDZ/SMD(THF) solvation energies in kcal mol⁻¹, G_{corr} (at 298.15 K) included in energies

Structure	Stabilisation ^a	Stabilisation 3 THF – 2 THF ^b
BuLi(THF) ₂	-3.28	
BuLi(THF) ₃	-2.57	+0.71
NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₂ ⁺	-8.53	
NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₃ ⁺	-6.36	+2.16
PMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₂ ⁺	-7.48	
PMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₃ ⁺	-8.63	-1.14

[a] Stabilisation= $E(G_{\text{corr}}) \text{RLi(THF)}_x - \{E(G_{\text{corr}}) \text{RLi} + x[E(G_{\text{corr}}) \text{THF}]\}$. [b] Stabilisation= $E(G_{\text{corr}}) \text{RLi(THF)}_3 - (E(G_{\text{corr}}) \text{RLi(THF)}_2 + E(G_{\text{corr}}) \text{THF})$.

E) Isodesmic reaction energies comparing the stabilisation of N-C and P-C ylides by a Li cation

Table S9. Gas-phase stabilisation of N-C and P-C ylides by a Li cation, results in kcal mol⁻¹, ZPE correction included in energies

	aug-cc-pVTZ	aug-cc-pVDZ	aug-cc-pVTZ//aug-cc-pVDZ	ADF:BP86/TZP
$E(\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}^+ + \text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2)$	-452420.58	-452332.56	-452420.73	-3745.28
$E(\text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}^+ + \text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2)$	-452412.50	-452325.65	-452412.64	-3736.74
ΔE	-8.08	-6.91	-8.08	-8.53

Table S10. Gibbs free energy-corrected gas-phase stabilisation of N-C and P-C ylides by a Li cation, results in kcal mol⁻¹, G_{corr} (at 298.15 K) included in energies

	aug-cc-pVTZ	aug-cc-pVDZ	aug-cc-pVTZ//aug-cc-pVDZ
$E(\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}^+ + \text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2)$	-452459.41	-452371.70	-452459.86
$E(\text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}^+ + \text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2)$	-452451.43	-452364.81	-452451.80
ΔE	-7.98	-6.89	-8.07

Table S11. Solution-phase stabilisation (taking into account the G_{corr} and the SMD(THF)) of N-C and P-C ylides by a Li cation, results in kcal mol⁻¹, G_{corr} (at 298.15 K) included in energies

	aug-cc-pVTZ	aug-cc-pVDZ	aug-cc-pVTZ//aug-cc-pVDZ
$E(\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}^+ + \text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2)$	-452520.09	-452432.33	-452519.91
$E(\text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}^+ + \text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2)$	-452516.42	-452429.97	-452517.14
ΔE	-3.67	-2.36	-2.76

Table S12. Gibbs free energy-corrected gas-phase stabilisation of N-C and P-C ylides by a Li microsolvated cation, results in kcal mol⁻¹, G_{corr} (at 298.15 K) included in energies

	aug-cc-pVDZ	aug-cc-pVTZ//aug-cc-pVDZ
$E(\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li(THF)}_2^+ + \text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2)$	-743833.92	-743997.32
$E(\text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li(THF)}_2^+ + \text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2)$	-743829.05	-743991.56
$\Delta E(\text{THF})_2$	-4.88	-5.76
$E(\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li(THF)}_3^+ + \text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2)$	-889560.29	
$E(\text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li(THF)}_3^+ + \text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2)$	-889553.23	
$\Delta E(\text{THF})_3$	-7.06	
$\Delta E(\text{THF})_0$	-6.89	-8.07
$\Delta E(\text{THF})_2$	-4.88	-5.76
$\Delta E(\text{THF})_3$	-7.06	

Table S13. Solution-phase stabilisation (taking into account the G_{corr} and SMD(THF)) of N-C and P-C ylides by a microsolvated Li cation, results in kcal mol⁻¹, G_{corr} (at 298.15 K) included in energies

	aug-cc-pVDZ	aug-cc-pVTZ//aug-cc-pVDZ
$E(\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}(\text{THF})_2^+ + \text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2)$	-743885.66	-744048.41
$E(\text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}(\text{THF})_2^+ + \text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2)$	-743882.25	-744044.77
$\Delta E(\text{THF})_2$	-3.40	-3.64
$E(\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}(\text{THF})_3^+ + \text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2)$	-889605.90	
$E(\text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}(\text{THF})_3^+ + \text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2)$	-889605.80	
$\Delta E(\text{THF})_3$	-0.10	
$\Delta E(\text{THF})_0$	-2.36	-2.76
$\Delta E(\text{THF})_2$	-3.40	-3.64
$\Delta E(\text{THF})_3$	-0.10	

F) Isodesmic reaction energies comparing the deprotonation/lithiation of N- and P-quaternary salts by *n*BuLi

Table S14. Gas phase deprotonation/lithiation energies of N-C and P-C ylides by *n*BuLi, results in kcal mol⁻¹, ZPE correction included in energies

	aug-cc-pVTZ	aug-cc-pVDZ	aug-cc-pVTZ//aug-cc-pVDZ
$E(\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}^+ + \text{BuH})$	-237876.58	-237801.72	-237876.76
$E(\text{BuLi} + \text{NMe}_4^+)$	-237846.37	-237771.91	-237846.91
$\Delta E(\text{N})$	-30.21	-29.81	-29.85
$E(\text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}^+ + \text{BuH})$	-417771.51	-417692.66	-417771.84
$E(\text{BuLi} + \text{PMe}_4^+)$	-417733.46	-417655.58	-417734.13
$\Delta E(\text{P})$	-38.06	-37.08	-37.71
$\Delta E(\text{N}) - \Delta E(\text{P})$	7.84	7.27	7.86

Table S15. Gibbs free energy-corrected deprotonation/lithiation energies of N-C and P-C ylides by *n*BuLi, results in kcal mol⁻¹, G_{corr} (at 298.15 K) included in energies

	aug-cc-pVTZ	aug-cc-pVDZ	aug-cc-pVTZ//aug-cc-pVDZ
$E(\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}^+ + \text{BuH})$	-237912.94	-237838.62	-237913.66
$E(\text{BuLi} + \text{NMe}_4^+)$	-237881.63	-237807.49	-237882.49
$\Delta E(\text{N})$	-31.31	-31.13	-31.17
$E(\text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}^+ + \text{BuH})$	-417809.63	-417731.43	-417810.61
$E(\text{BuLi} + \text{PMe}_4^+)$	-417770.43	-417693.07	-417771.62
$\Delta E(\text{P})$	-39.20	-38.36	-38.99
$\Delta E(\text{N}) - \Delta E(\text{P})$	7.89	7.23	7.82

Table S16. Solution-phase deprotonation/lithiation energies of N-C and P-C ylides by *n*BuLi (taking into account the G_{corr} and SMD(THF)), results in kcal mol⁻¹, G_{corr} (at 298.15 K) included in energies

	aug-cc-pVTZ	aug-cc-pVDZ	aug-cc-pVTZ//aug-cc-pVDZ
$E(\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}^+ + \text{BuH})$	-237970.15	-237895.09	-237969.99
$E(\text{BuLi} + \text{NMe}_4^+)$	-237953.04	-237878.70	-237953.49
$\Delta E(\text{N})$	-17.10	-16.39	-16.50
$E(\text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}^+ + \text{BuH})$	-417864.33	-417785.90	-417865.15
$E(\text{BuLi} + \text{PMe}_4^+)$	-417837.50	-417759.52	-417838.10
$\Delta E(\text{P})$	-26.83	-26.38	-27.05
$\Delta E(\text{N}) - \Delta E(\text{P})$	9.72	9.99	10.55

Table S17. Solution-phase deprotonation/lithiation energies of N-C and P-C ylides by *n*BuLi (taking into account the G_{corr} and THF microsolvation), results in kcal mol⁻¹, G_{corr} (at 298.15 K) included in energies

	aug-cc-pVDZ	aug-cc-pVTZ//aug-cc-pVDZ
$E(\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}(\text{THF})_2^+ + \text{BuH})$	-529300.84	-529451.12
$E(\text{BuLi}(\text{THF})_2 + \text{NMe}_4^+)$	-529259.29	-529409.00
$\Delta E(\text{N})(\text{THF})_2$	-41.56	-42.12
$E(\text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}(\text{THF})_2^+ + \text{BuH})$	-709195.67	-709350.37
$E(\text{BuLi}(\text{THF})_2 + \text{PMe}_4^+)$	-709144.87	-709298.13
$\Delta E(\text{P})(\text{THF})_2$	-50.81	-52.24
$\Delta E(\text{N}) - \Delta E(\text{P})(\text{THF})_2$	9.25	10.13
$E(\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}(\text{THF})_3^+ + \text{BuH})$	-675027.21	
$E(\text{BuLi}(\text{THF})_3 + \text{NMe}_4^+)$	-674975.46	
$\Delta E(\text{N})(\text{THF})_2$	-51.75	
$E(\text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}(\text{THF})_3^+ + \text{BuH})$	-854919.85	
$E(\text{BuLi}(\text{THF})_3 + \text{PMe}_4^+)$	-854861.03	
$\Delta E(\text{P})(\text{THF})_3$	-58.82	
$\Delta E(\text{N}) - \Delta E(\text{P})(\text{THF})_3$	7.07	
$\Delta E(\text{N}) - \Delta E(\text{P})(\text{THF})_0$	7.23	7.82
$\Delta E(\text{N}) - \Delta E(\text{P})(\text{THF})_2$	9.25	10.13
$\Delta E(\text{N}) - \Delta E(\text{P})(\text{THF})_3$	7.07	

Table S18. Solution-phase deprotonation/lithiation energies of N-C and P-C ylides by *n*BuLi (taking into account the G_{corr} , THF microsolvation and SMD(THF)), results in kcal mol⁻¹, G_{corr} (at 298.15 K) included in energies

	aug-cc-pVDZ	aug-cc-pVTZ//aug-cc-pVDZ
$E(\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}(\text{THF})_2^+ + \text{BuH})$	-529348.41	-529498.49
$E(\text{BuLi}(\text{THF})_2 + \text{NMe}_4^+)$	-529326.78	-529476.69
$\Delta E(\text{N})(\text{THF})_2$	-21.64	-21.81
$E(\text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}(\text{THF})_2^+ + \text{BuH})$	-709238.18	-709392.78
$E(\text{BuLi}(\text{THF})_2 + \text{PMe}_4^+)$	-709207.60	-709361.31
$\Delta E(\text{P})(\text{THF})_2$	-30.58	-31.48
$\Delta E(\text{N}) - \Delta E(\text{P})(\text{THF})_2$	8.95	9.67
$E(\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}(\text{THF})_3^+ + \text{BuH})$	-675068.65	
$E(\text{BuLi}(\text{THF})_3 + \text{NMe}_4^+)$	-675048.47	
$\Delta E(\text{N})(\text{THF})_2$	-20.18	
$E(\text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}(\text{THF})_3^+ + \text{BuH})$	-854961.73	
$E(\text{BuLi}(\text{THF})_3 + \text{PMe}_4^+)$	-854929.30	
$\Delta E(\text{P})(\text{THF})_3$	-32.43	
$\Delta E(\text{N}) - \Delta E(\text{P})(\text{THF})_3$	12.25	
$\Delta E(\text{N}) - \Delta E(\text{P})(\text{THF})_0$	9.99	10.55
$\Delta E(\text{N}) - \Delta E(\text{P})(\text{THF})_2$	8.95	9.67
$\Delta E(\text{N}) - \Delta E(\text{P})(\text{THF})_3$	12.25	

G) Selected bond lengths and angles

Table S19. ADF/TZP results for the N-containing molecules, bond distances in Å, bond angles in °. (Y=lone pair or Li⁺)

Feature	NMe ₄ ⁺	NMe ₃ CH ₂	% ^a	NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li ⁺	% ^a	NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₂ ⁺	% ^a
NMe ₃ -CH ₃ bond length	1.510						
NMe ₃ -CH ₂ Y bond length		1.531	101.4	1.530	101.3	1.533	101.6
NMe ₂ CH ₂ Y-CH ₃ bond length (2x) ^b		1.496	99.1	1.501	99.5	1.499 ^c	99.3
NMe ₂ CH ₂ Y-CH ₃ bond length ^d		1.517	100.5	1.511	100.1	1.509	100.0
HC(Y)H angle ^e	110.1	106.4	96.7	104.2	94.6	104.6	95.0
out of plane angle ^f	124.3	114.1	91.8	113.0	91.0	112.5	90.6

[a] % of the corresponding feature in NMe₄. [b] Bonds out of the Me-N-C-Y plane. [c] Average of the two bond lengths. [d] Bond in the Me-N-C-Y plane. [e] In the CH₂Y group. [f] Out of plane angle= -centre of the H's of the CH₂Y group_C of the CH₂Y group_N-.

Table S20. ADF/TZP results for the P-containing molecules, bond distances in Å, bond angles in °. (Y=lone pair or Li⁺)

Feature	PMe ₄ ⁺	PMe ₃ CH ₂	% ^a	PMe ₃ CH ₂ Li ⁺	% ^a	PMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₂ ⁺	% ^a
PMe ₃ -CH ₃ bond length	1.809						
PMe ₃ -CH ₂ Y bond length		1.682	93.0	1.753	96.9	1.734	95.9
PMe ₂ CH ₂ Y-CH ₃ bond length (2x) ^b		1.829	101.1	1.818	100.5	1.821	100.7
PMe ₂ CH ₂ Y-CH ₃ bond length ^c		1.867	103.2	1.825	100.9	1.833	101.4
HC(Y)H angle ^d	109.1	115.8	106.1	106.3	97.5	107.9	98.9
out of plane angle ^e	125.8	148.3	117.9	119.0	94.6	122.4	97.3

[a] % of the corresponding feature in PMe₄. [b] Bonds out of the Me-P-C-Y plane. [c] Bond in the Me-P-C-Y plane. [d] In the CH₂Y group. [e] out of plane angle= -centre of the H's of the CH₂Y group_C of the CH₂Y group_P-.

H) ETS bond analyses

Table S21. Extended Transition State (ETS) analysis for the bond between XMe_3 and CH_2Y , results in kcal mol^{-1} (ADF: BP86/TZP level)

Parameter ^{Error! Bookmark not defined.}	NMe_3CH_2	$\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}^+$	$\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\{\text{Li}\}^a$	$\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}(\text{THF})_2^+$	PMe_3CH_2	$\text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}^+$	$\text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2\{\text{Li}\}^a$	$\text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}(\text{THF})_2^+$
Pauli Repulsion								
Kinetic (ΔT)	1005.66	721.97	1007.53	811.25	1632.24	824.03	1155.05	969.03
ΔV Pauli Coulomb	-512.38	-357.44	-516.42	-408.83	-808.78	-408.45	-602.91	-482.71
ΔV Pauli LDA-XC	-181.23	-147.91	-181.04	-161.01	-222.41	-145.88	-178.14	-163.42
ΔV Pauli GGA-XC	25.93	26.12	25.70	27.07	23.12	24.56	23.88	25.32
ΔV Pauli GGA-correlation	-10.86	-11.02	-10.72	-11.23	-9.18	-10.75	-10.27	-10.79
Total (ΔE Pauli)	327.12	231.72	325.06	257.25	614.99	283.51	387.61	337.43
Steric Interactions								
Pauli repulsion (ΔE Pauli)	327.12	231.72	325.06	257.25	614.99	283.51	387.61	337.43
Electrostatic Interaction (ΔV elstat)	-172.51	-139.81	-168.5	-147.36	-310.57	-154.88	-199.38	-179.45
Total Steric Interactions	154.61	91.91	156.55	109.89	304.41	128.63	188.22	157.98
Orbital Interactions								
A (ΔE oi)	-210.41	-199.39	-210.98	-198.66	-398.28	-268.41	-277.62	-279.21
Alternative Decomposition Orbital Interactions								
Kinetic	-937.03	-623.63	-941.34	-718.35	-1628.43	-831.38	-1192.07	-973.25
Coulomb	626.36	367.94	629.63	454.24	1114.95	517.8	828.25	639.69
XC	100.27	56.3	100.73	65.46	115.2	45.18	86.20	54.34
Total	-210.41	-199.39	-210.98	-198.66	-398.28	-268.41	-277.62	-279.21
Total Bonding Energy (ΔE int)	-55.79	-107.48	-54.43	-88.77	-93.87	-139.77	-89.40	-121.23
Summary of Bonding Energy								
Electrostatic Energy (ΔV elstat)	-172.51	-139.81	-168.5	-147.36	-310.57	-154.88	-199.38	-179.45
Kinetic Energy	68.63	98.34	66.19	92.89	3.81	-7.35	-37.02	-4.21
Coulomb (Steric +Orblnt) Energy	113.98	10.5	113.21	45.41	306.17	109.35	225.34	156.98
XC Energy	-65.89	-76.51	-65.32	-79.71	-93.28	-86.89	-78.33	-94.55
Total Bonding Energy (ΔE int)	-55.79	-107.48	-54.43	-88.77	-93.87	-139.77	-89.40	-121.23
difference in stabilisation (+Li)	51.69		45.90					
Deformation Energy XMe_3	2.48	2.43						
Deformation Energy CH_2Y	0.53	20.24						
Net Bonding Energy (ΔE net)	-52.77	-84.81						
difference in stabilisation (+Li)	-32.03		-22.50					

^a {Li} means that the atomic coordinates of the $\text{XMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}$ structure were used, but the Li cation was omitted.

Table S21. Extended Transition State (ETS) analysis for one of the two shortened bonds between $\text{XMe}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Y}$ and CH_3 , results in kcal mol^{-1} (ADF: BP86/TZP level)

Parameter	NMe_3CH_2	$\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}^+$	$\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}(\text{THF})_2^+$	PMe_3CH_2	$\text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}^+$	$\text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}(\text{THF})_2^+$
Pauli Repulsion						
Kinetic (ΔT)	607.51	583.33	593.24	643.51	614.7	627.85
ΔV Pauli Coulomb	-278.17	-267.77	-272.02	-301.15	-289.59	-295.21
ΔV Pauli LDA-XC	-133.72	-129.08	-131.05	-122.38	-118.15	-120.38
ΔV Pauli GGA-XC	25.4	25.05	25.33	21.51	21.71	21.91
ΔV Pauli GGA-correlation	-10.6	-10.43	-10.52	-9.11	-9.32	-9.31
Total (ΔE Pauli)	210.42	201.1	204.99	232.38	219.35	224.86
Steric Interactions						
Pauli repulsion (ΔE Pauli)	210.42	201.1	204.99	232.38	219.35	224.86
Electrostatic Interaction (ΔV elstat)	-244.74	-156.29	-170.16	-242.25	-154.92	-167.69
Total Steric Interactions	-34.32	44.81	34.83	-9.87	64.43	57.17
Orbital Interactions						
A (ΔE oi)	-250.91	-235.5	-242.53	-303.41	-283.45	-292.34
Alternative Decomposition Orbital Interactions						
Kinetic	-352.92	-372.11	-365.42	-542.86	-553.72	-550.25
Coulomb	121.17	145.13	132.87	260.27	277.94	268.2
XC	-19.15	-8.51	-9.98	-20.82	-7.67	-10.29
Total	-250.91	-235.5	-242.53	-303.41	-283.45	-292.34
Total Bonding Energy (ΔE int)	-285.23	-190.69	-207.7	-313.28	-219.02	-235.17
Summary of Bonding Energy						
Electrostatic Energy (ΔV elstat)	-244.74	-156.29	-170.16	-242.25	-154.92	-167.69
Kinetic Energy	254.59	211.22	227.83	100.65	60.98	77.6
Coulomb (Steric +Orblnt) Energy	-157	-122.65	-139.15	-40.88	-11.65	-27.01
XC Energy	-138.07	-122.97	-126.21	-130.79	-113.42	-118.07
Total Bonding Energy (ΔE int)	-285.23	-190.69	-207.7	-313.28	-219.02	-235.17
Difference in Stabilisation (+Li)		94.54			94.26	
Deformation Energy $\text{XMe}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Y}$	3.62	12.60		12.94	15.82	
Deformation Energy CH_3	25.51	26.57		28.86	29.54	
Net Bonding Energy (ΔE net)	-256.09	-151.51		-271.47	-173.66	
Difference in Stabilisation (+Li)		104.57			97.81	

Table S22. Extended Transition State (ETS) analysis for the longer bond between $\text{XMe}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Y}$ and CH_3 , results in kcal mol^{-1} (ADF: BP86/TZP level)

Parameter	NMe_3CH_2	$\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}^+$	$\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}(\text{THF})_2^+$	PMe_3CH_2	$\text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}^+$	$\text{PMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}(\text{THF})_2^+$
Pauli Repulsion						
Kinetic (ΔT)	589.24	546.92	570.73	618.43	543.11	593.62
ΔV Pauli Coulomb	-272.81	-249.58	-262.38	-288.69	-247.75	-278.54
ΔV Pauli LDA-XC	-130.28	-121.26	-126.49	-116.69	-104.59	-114.03
ΔV Pauli GGA-XC	24.45	24.87	24.93	20.56	21.33	21.46
ΔV Pauli GGA-correlation	-10.18	-10.38	-10.39	-8.51	-9.17	-9.15
Total (ΔE Pauli)	200.43	190.57	196.39	225.10	202.93	213.36
Steric Interactions						
Pauli repulsion (ΔE Pauli)	200.43	190.57	196.39	225.10	202.93	213.36
Electrostatic Interaction (ΔV elstat)	-237.45	-141.72	-164.39	-233.53	-133.51	-161.15
Total Steric Interactions	-37.02	48.85	32.00	-8.43	69.41	52.21
Orbital Interactions						
A (ΔE oi)	-249.16	-237.17	-240.02	-311.73	-288.02	-290.72
Alternative Decomposition Orbital Interactions						
Kinetic	-347.54	-336.26	-353.34	-510.05	-479.1	-524.21
Coulomb	118.49	128.08	129.64	237.78	231.32	255.49
XC	-20.12	-28.99	-16.32	-39.46	-40.24	-21.99
Total	-249.16	-237.17	-240.02	-311.73	-288.02	-290.72
Total Bonding Energy (ΔE int)	-286.19	-188.32	-208.01	-320.16	-218.60	-238.50
Summary of Bonding Energy						
Electrostatic Energy (ΔV elstat)	-237.45	-141.72	-164.39	-233.53	-133.51	-161.15
Kinetic Energy	241.71	210.66	217.39	108.38	64.01	69.41
Coulomb (Steric +Orblnt) Energy	-154.32	-121.50	-132.74	-50.91	-16.43	-23.06
XC Energy	-136.12	-135.76	-128.27	-144.1	-132.68	-123.70
Total Bonding Energy (ΔE int)	-286.19	-188.32	-208.01	-320.16	-218.60	-238.50
Difference in Stabilisation (+Li)		97.87			101.56	
Deformation Energy $\text{XMe}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Y}$	3.40	10.39		18.87	15.50	
Deformation Energy CH_3	26.70	26.42		29.81	29.43	
Net Bonding Energy (ΔE net)	-256.09	-151.51		-271.47	-173.66	
Difference in Stabilisation (+Li)		104.57			97.81	

I) Hirsfeld charges

Table S23. Hirsfeld charges in electrons of different fragments, results in kcal mol⁻¹ (ADF: BP86/TZP level)

Fragment	NMe ₃ CH ₂ I	NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li ⁺	NMe ₃ CH ₂ {Li} ^a	NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₂ ⁺	PMe ₃ CH ₂ I	PMe ₃ CH ₂ Li ⁺	PMe ₃ CH ₂ {Li} ^a	PMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₂ ⁺
Fragmentation 1								
XMe ₃	0.3197	0.3633	0.3222	0.3639	0.2359	0.2919	0.2009	0.2807
CH ₂ Y	-0.3197	0.6367	-0.3222	0.6361	-0.2359	0.7081	-0.2009	0.7193
Fragmentation 2 (short XMe ₂ CH ₂ Y-CH ₃ bonds)								
XMe ₂ CH ₂ Y	0.5806	0.6028		0.5963	0.5882	0.6039		0.5995
CH ₃	-0.5806	0.3972		0.4037	-0.5882	0.3961		0.4005
Fragmentation 3 (long XMe ₂ CH ₂ Y-CH ₃ bond)								
XMe ₂ CH ₂ Y	0.561	0.5858		0.5829	0.5601	0.5638		0.5731
CH ₃	-0.561	0.4142		0.4171	-0.5601	0.4363		0.4269

^a {Li} means that the atomic coordinates of the XMe₃CH₂Li structure were used, but the Li cation was omitted.

b) Possibility of Stevens rearrangement of the lithiomethyl trimethylammonium cation/
trimethylammonium methyllide via a radical mechanism

A) Computational methods

Density functional theory (DFT) calculations were performed with the Gaussian 09 suite^[13] employing the M06, M052-X (when explicit solvent molecules are included).^[14] Ab initio calculations were performed with the Gaussian 09 suite^[13] employing MP2. Geometry optimisations were performed with either the SDB-aug-cc-pVTZ basis set (M06 and MP2), or the 6-311+G** (M052-X) basis set for all elements. The GEDIIS algorithm^[15] was applied in combination with an ultrafine integration grid and tight SCF and geometry convergence criteria. The nature of each stationary point was confirmed by a frequency analysis. For structures optimised with MP2/SDB-aug-cc-pVTZ, subsequent single-point energies were calculated on the CCSD(T)/SDB-aug-cc-pVTZ level, to which the MP2/SDB-aug-cc-pVTZ zero-point energy corrections were added.

Furthermore, geometry optimisations were done at the M052-X/6-311+G** level including solvation effects by using the polarisable continuum model for THF with radii and non-electrostatic terms for the SMD model.^[17] For all geometry optimisations using the solvation model IOp(2/15=3) was used, which turns off the use of symmetry and reorientation of the molecule since we have encountered that otherwise problems with convergence occurred, and furthermore that the single-point energies were inconsistent due to reorientation of the molecule in the solvent cage.

B) Optimised Energies and Thermochemistry

1) Gaussian: M06/aug-cc-pVTZ

Table S24. M06/aug-cc-pVTZ results in Hartree (at 298.15 K, S_{tot} in kcal mol⁻¹ K⁻¹)^a

Structure	$E_{\text{aug-cc-pVTZ}}$	ZPE	H_{corr}	S_{tot}	G_{corr}
NMe ₃ CH ₂	-213.593725331	0.146349	0.153810	0.152866	0.117707
NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li ⁺	-220.993793260	0.150227	0.158969	0.158025	0.119632
NMe ₃ radical cation	-174.111406106	0.117237	0.124579	0.123634	0.087225
CH ₂ radical anion	- 39.151539397	0.015673	0.019463	0.018518	-0.002685
CH ₂ Li radical	- 46.718665425	0.117237	0.124579	0.123634	0.087225

[a] Unscaled frequencies.

2) Gaussian: M05-2X/6-311+G**

Table S25. M05-2X/6-311+G** results in Hartree (at 298.15 K, S_{tot} in kcal mol⁻¹ K⁻¹)^a

Structure	$E_{6-311+G^{**}}$	ZPE	H_{corr}	S_{tot}	G_{corr}
NMe ₃ CH ₂	-213.7033772	0.150717	0.158019	0.157075	0.122170
NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li ⁺	-221.1037552	0.154407	0.163038	0.162093	0.123847
NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₂ ⁺	-686.1504655	0.39571	0.417231	0.416287	0.340731
NMe ₃ radical cation	-174.197364	0.120413	0.127769	0.126825	0.090309
CH ₂ radical anion	- 39.16799053	0.015871	0.019660	0.018716	-0.002477
CH ₂ Li radical	- 46.73624185	0.021022	0.025402	0.024458	-0.001328
CH ₂ Li(THF) ₂ radical	-511.7570761	0.262811	0.279287	0.278342	0.216476

[a] Unscaled frequencies.

3) Gaussian: MP2/aug-cc-pVTZ

Table S26. MP2/aug-cc-pVTZ results in Hartree (at 298.15 K, S_{tot} in kcal mol⁻¹ K⁻¹)^a

Structure	$E_{\text{MP2/aug-cc-pVTZ}}$	ZPE	H_{corr}	S_{tot}	G_{corr}	$E_{\text{CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ//MP2/aug-cc-pVTZ}}$
NMe ₃ CH ₂	-213.2301608	0.149236	0.155724	0.156668	0.120599	-213.3223282
NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li ⁺	-220.5760634	0.153043	0.161755	0.160811	0.122475	-220.6685727
NMe ₃ radical cation	-173.8047149	0.120082	0.127493	0.126549	0.089819	-173.8870283
CH ₂ radical anion	- 39.0753566	0.016102	0.019889	0.018945	-0.002245	- 39.1003395
CH ₂ Li radical	- 46.5853591	0.020847	0.025273	0.024329	-0.000890	- 46.6100350

[a] Unscaled frequencies.

4) Gaussian: M05-2X/6-311+G**/SMD(THF)

Table S27. M05-2X/6-311+G**/SMD(THF) results in Hartree (at 298.15 K, S_{tot} in kcal mol⁻¹ K⁻¹)^a

Structure	$E_{\text{6-311+G**}}$	ZPE	H_{corr}	S_{tot}	G_{corr}
NMe ₃ CH ₂	-213.7275166	0.150880	0.157263	0.158207	0.122266
NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li ⁺	-221.190207	0.153864	0.161582	0.162526	0.123399
NMe ₃ CH ₂ Li(THF) ₂ ⁺	-686.2201663	0.395089	0.415381	0.416325	0.343094
NMe ₃ radical cation	-174.2875379	0.120521	0.126843	0.127788	0.090714
CH ₂ radical anion	- 39.26858563	0.016473	0.019315	0.020259	-0.002503
CH ₂ Li radical	- 46.75640002	0.020183	0.023811	0.024755	-0.002357
CH ₂ Li(THF) ₂ radical	-511.7799934	0.261875	0.277749	0.278693	0.215315

[a] Unscaled frequencies.

C) Reaction energies for the homolytic cleavage of the Me₃N-CH₂(Li) bond in lithiomethyl trimethylammonium cation / trimethylammonium methylide

Table S28. Gas-phase reaction energies for the homolytic cleavage of the Me₃N-CH₂(Li) bond, results in kcal mol⁻¹, ZPE corrections included in energy differences

Reaction energy	M05-2X/ 6-311+G**	M06/ aug-cc-pVTZ	MP2/ aug-cc-pVTZ	CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ// MP2/aug-cc-pVTZ
$\Delta E([\text{NMe}_3 \text{ radical cation} + \text{CH}_2 \text{ radical anion}] - \text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2)$	-203.05	-199.13	-164.94	-202.00
$\Delta E([\text{NMe}_3 \text{ radical cation} + \text{CH}_2\text{Li radical}] - \text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}^+)$	- 98.63	- 94.805	-109.11	-100.02
$\Delta E([\text{NMe}_3 \text{ radical cation} + \text{CH}_2\text{Li(THF)}_2 \text{ radical}] - \text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li(THF)}_2^+)$	-115.17			

Table S29. Solution-phase reaction energies for the homolytic cleavage of the Me₃N-CH₂(Li) bond, results in kcal mol⁻¹, G_{corr} (at 298.15 K)^a included in energy differences

Reaction energy	M05-2X/ 6-311+G**	M05-2X/ 6-311+G**/ SMD(THF)	M06/ aug-cc-pVTZ	MP2/ aug-cc-pVTZ	CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ// MP2/aug-cc-pVTZ
$\Delta E([\text{NMe}_3 \text{ radical cation} + \text{CH}_2 \text{ radical anion}] - \text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2)$	-190.56	- 86.18	-186.75	-198.96	-189.46
$\Delta E([\text{NMe}_3 \text{ radical cation} + \text{CH}_2\text{Li radical}] - \text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}^+)$	- 84.89	- 69.79	- 81.11	- 95.66	- 86.57
$\Delta E([\text{NMe}_3 \text{ radical cation} + \text{CH}_2\text{Li(THF)}_2 \text{ radical}] - \text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li(THF)}_2^+)$	-101.70	- 72.52			

[a] Unscaled frequencies.

D) Conclusions

Assuming that the Stevens rearrangement proceeds via a radical mechanism,^[21] the Stevens rearrangement for the lithiomethyl trimethylammonium reagent would require an activation energy of around 70 kcal mol⁻¹. Thus, it is unlikely that the Stevens rearrangement takes place for the lithiomethyl trimethylammonium reagent. However, the presence of the Li cation does lower the reaction barrier with around 15 kcal mol⁻¹ as compared to the homolysis of the trimethylammonium methylyde.

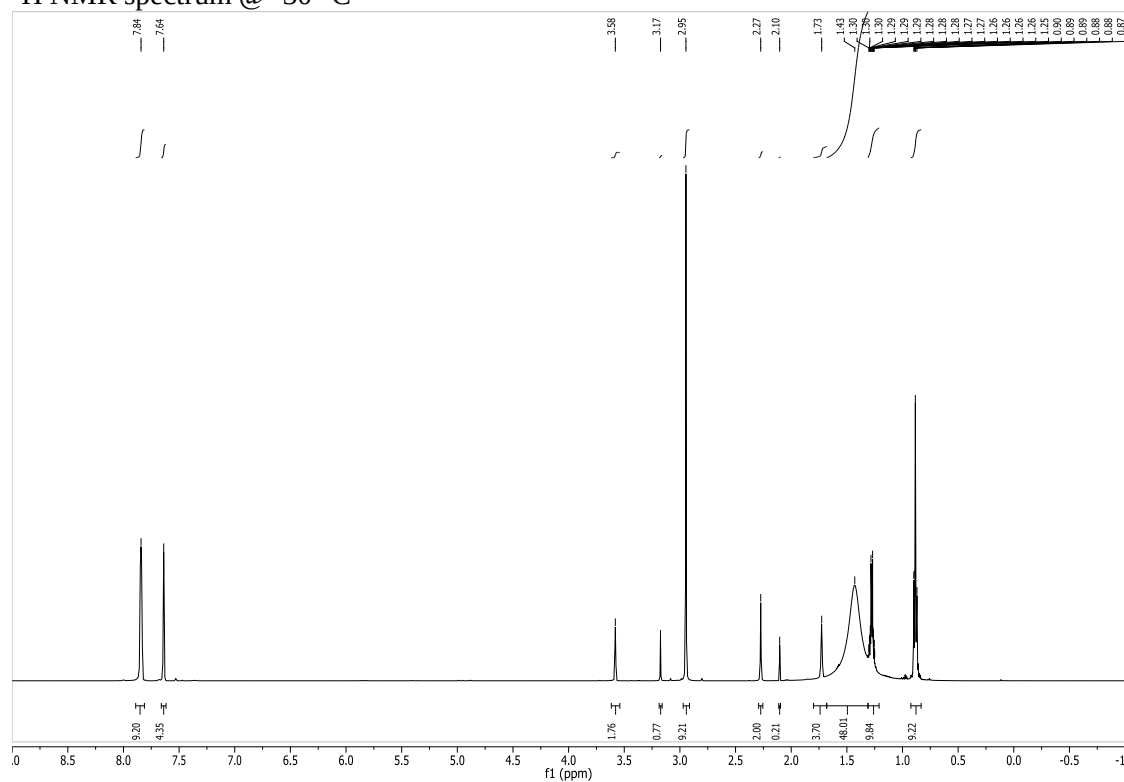
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Tetramethylammonium BAr^F (**6**):

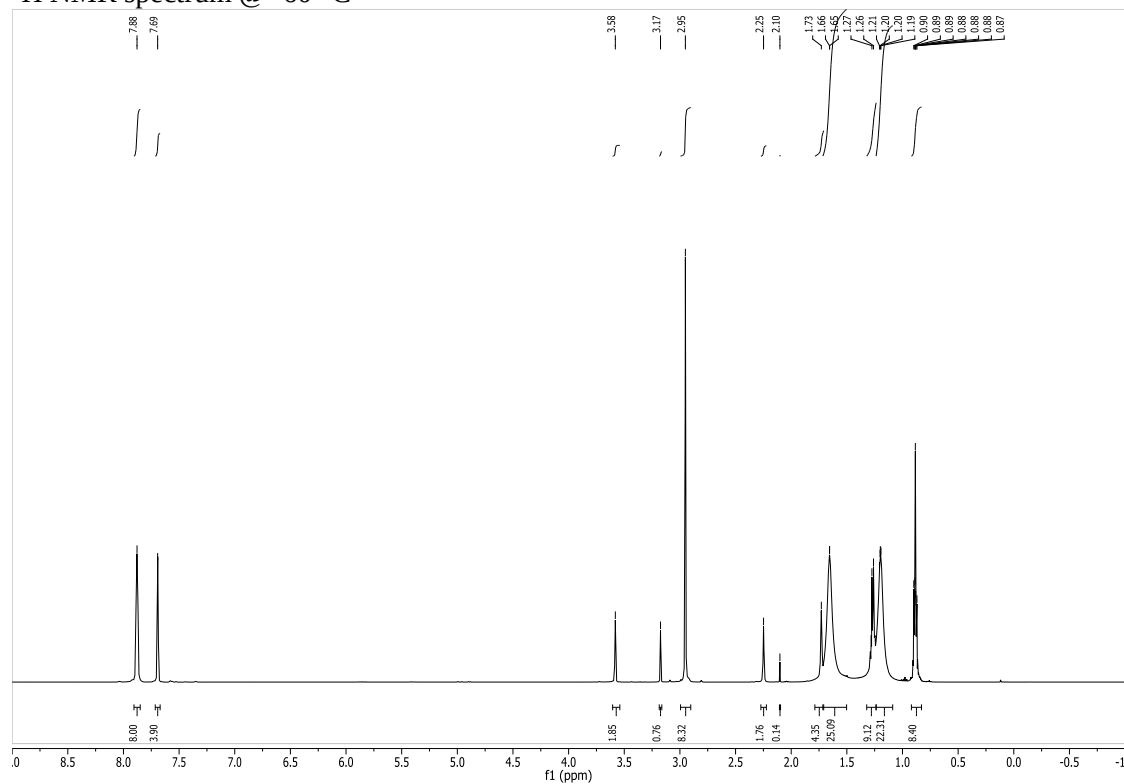
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¹³C NMR spectrum (ppm) of compound 10 in THF-d₄. The spectrum shows peaks from 163.74 to 25.08 ppm. Key peaks are labeled: 163.74, 163.54, 162.75, 162.25, 135.78, 130.73, 130.70, 130.65, 130.65, 130.42, 130.39, 130.39, 130.35, 130.33, 130.11, 130.08, 130.05, 129.82, 129.79, 129.76, 129.73, 129.71, 127.06, 124.35, 121.65, 118.85, 118.42, 118.38, 118.34, 118.30, 68.01 THF, 67.79 THF, 67.57 THF, 67.35 THF, 67.13 THF, 55.94, 55.90, 55.86, 25.88 THF, 25.84 THF, 25.82 THF, 25.28 THF, 25.08 THF.

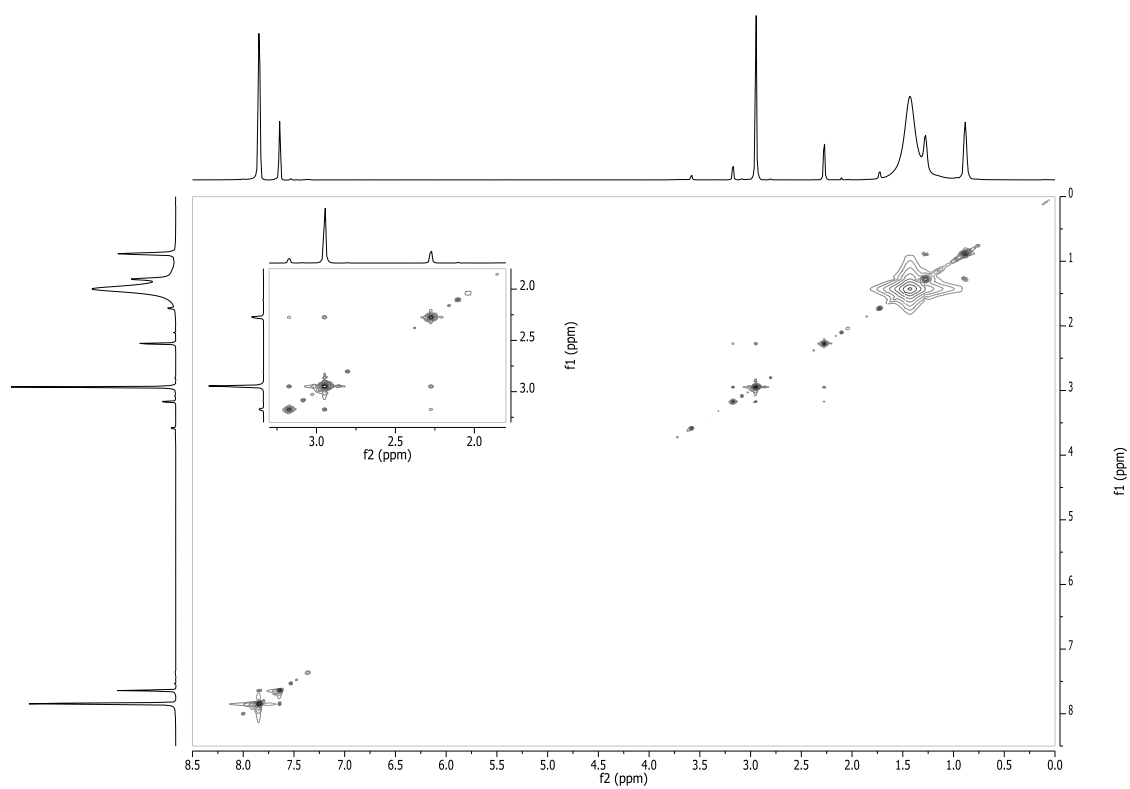
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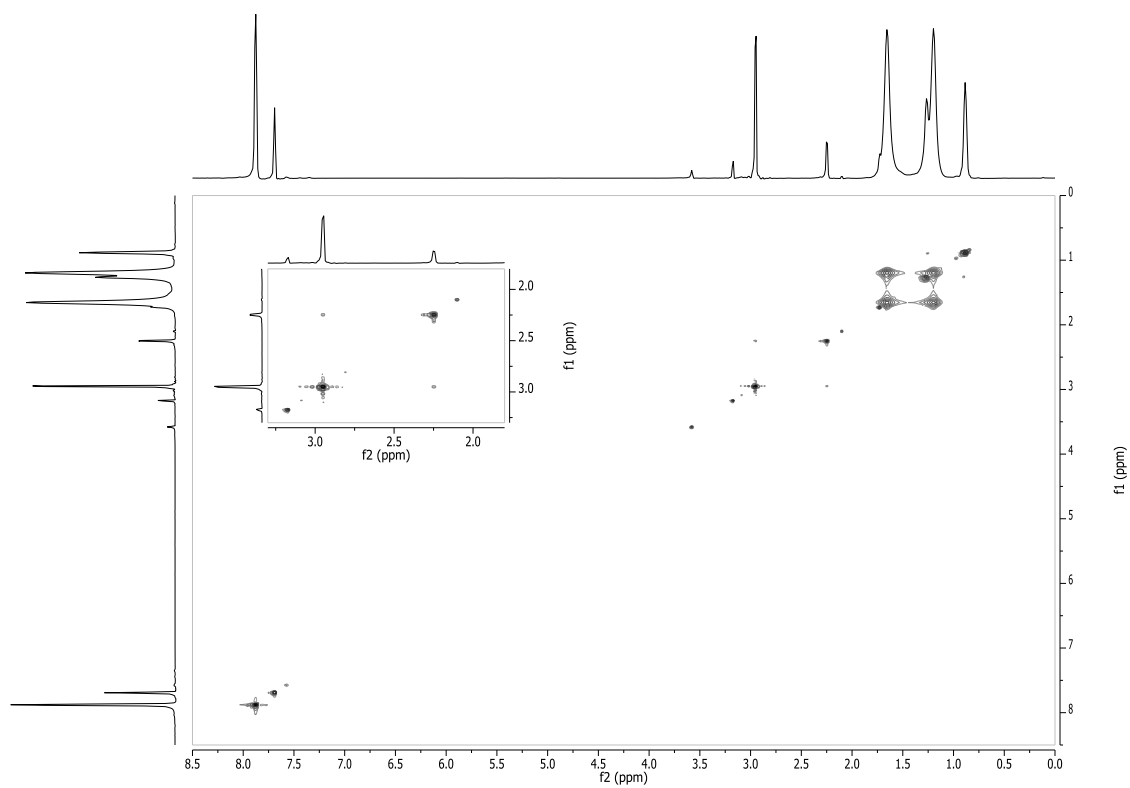
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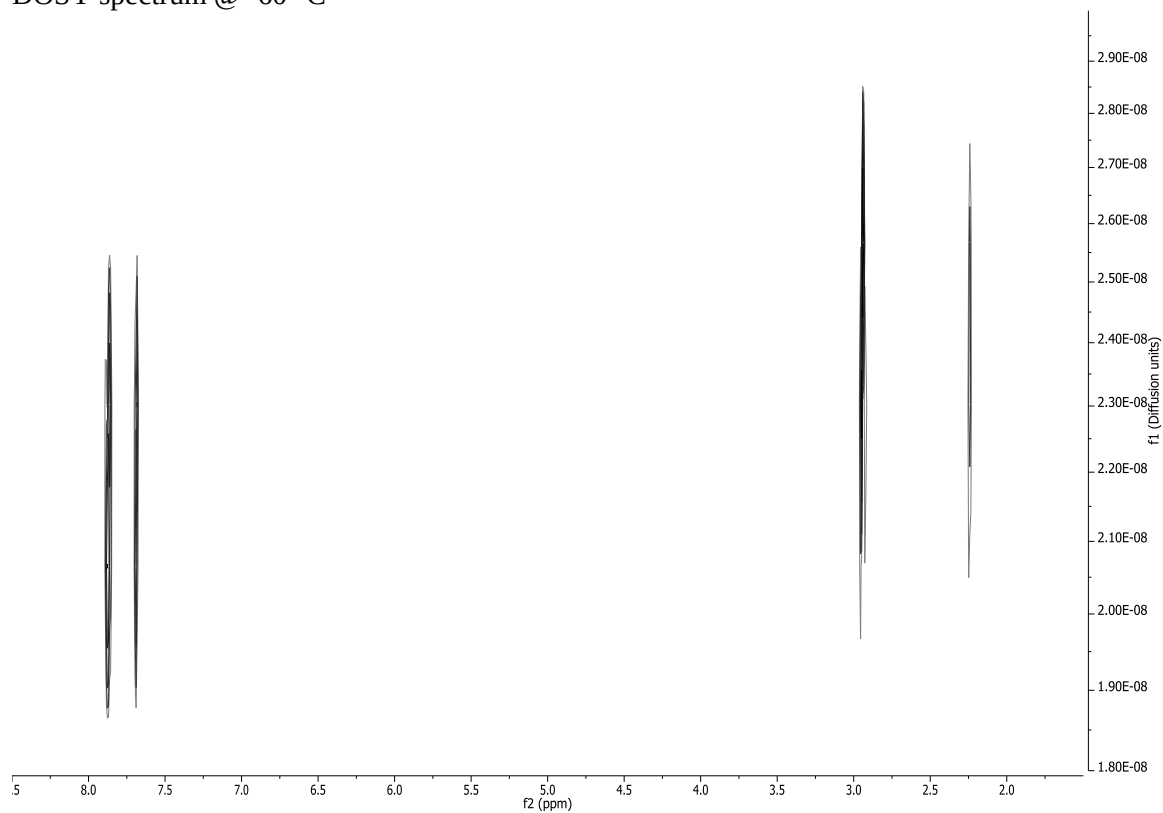
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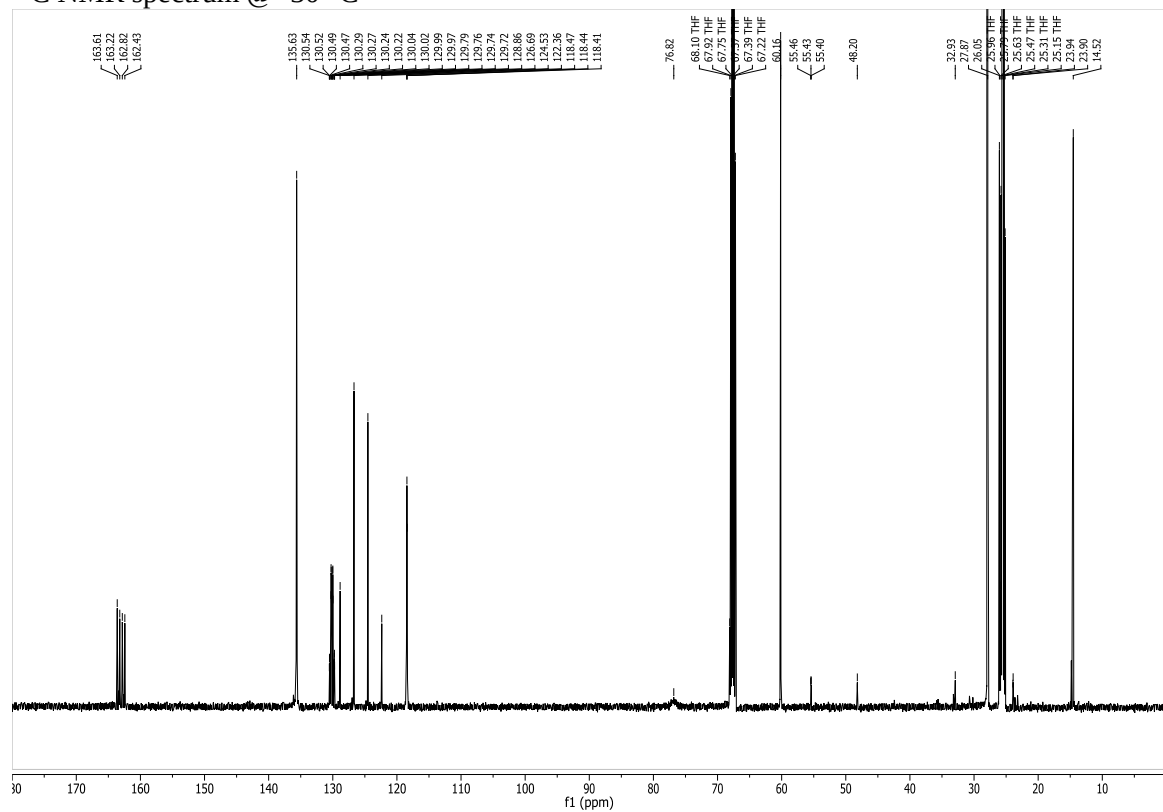
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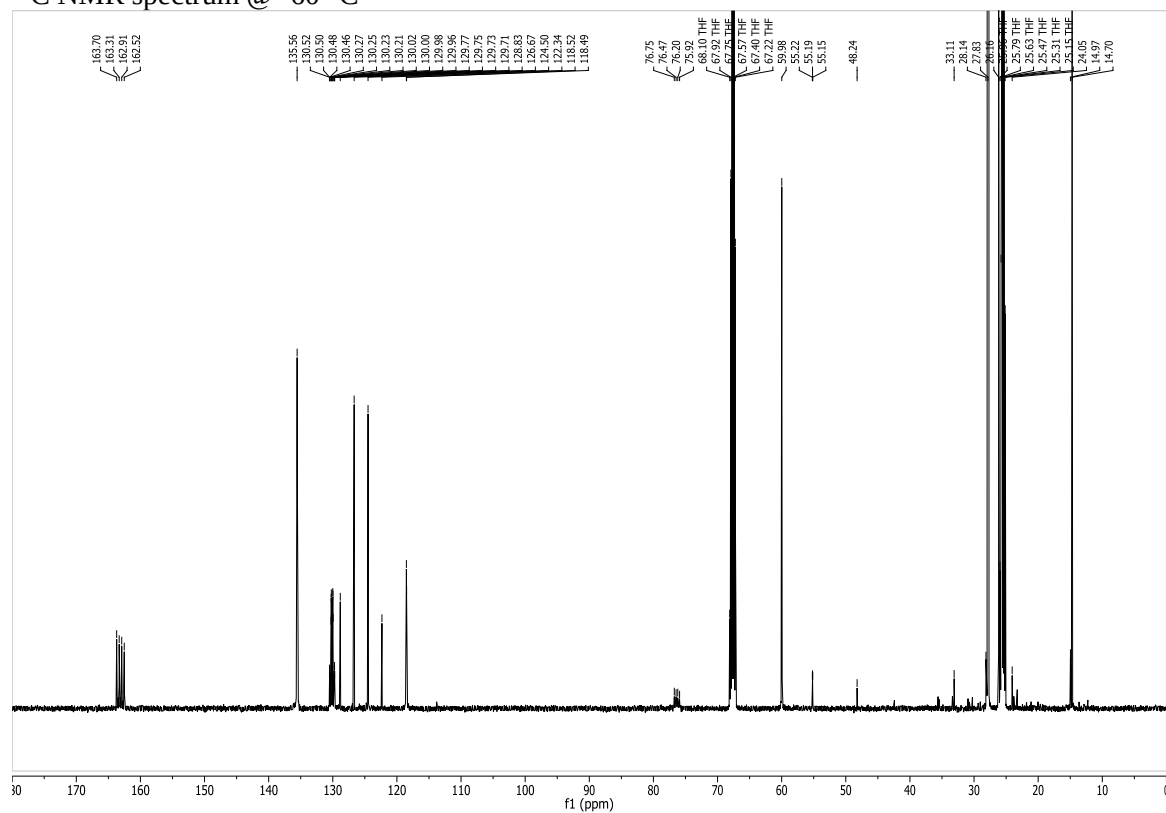
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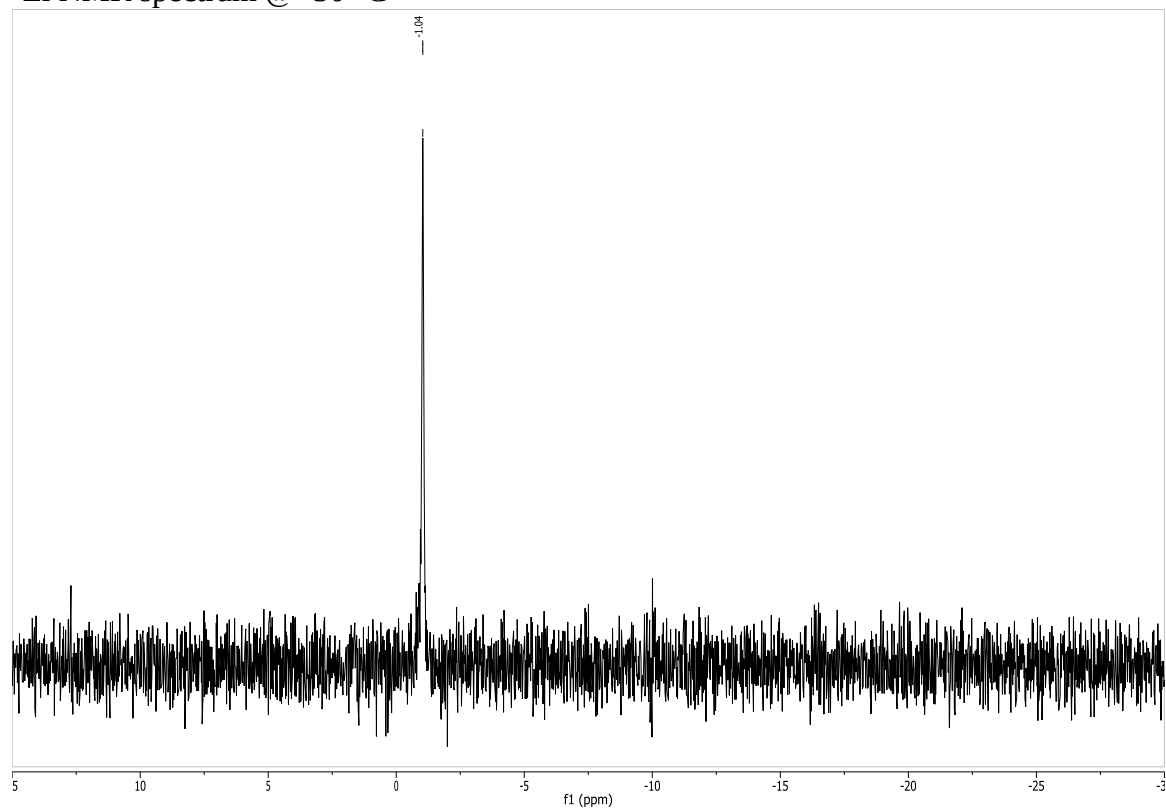
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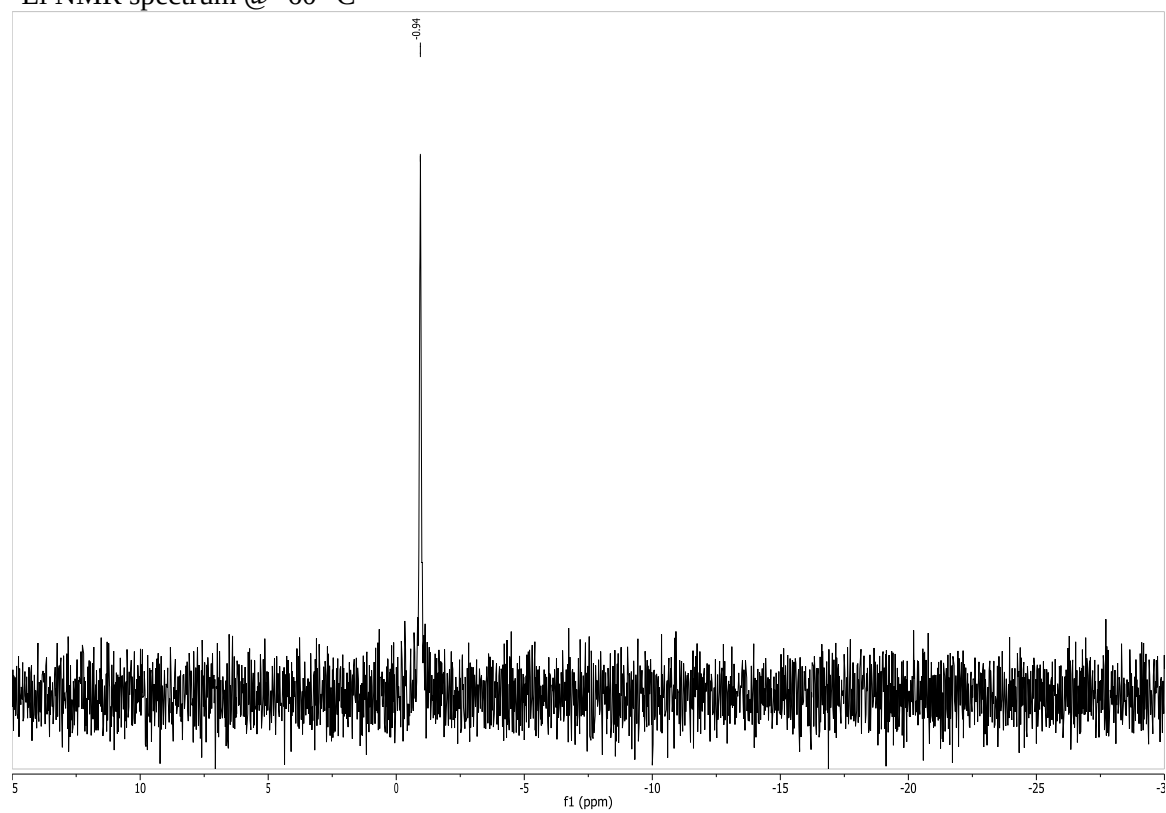
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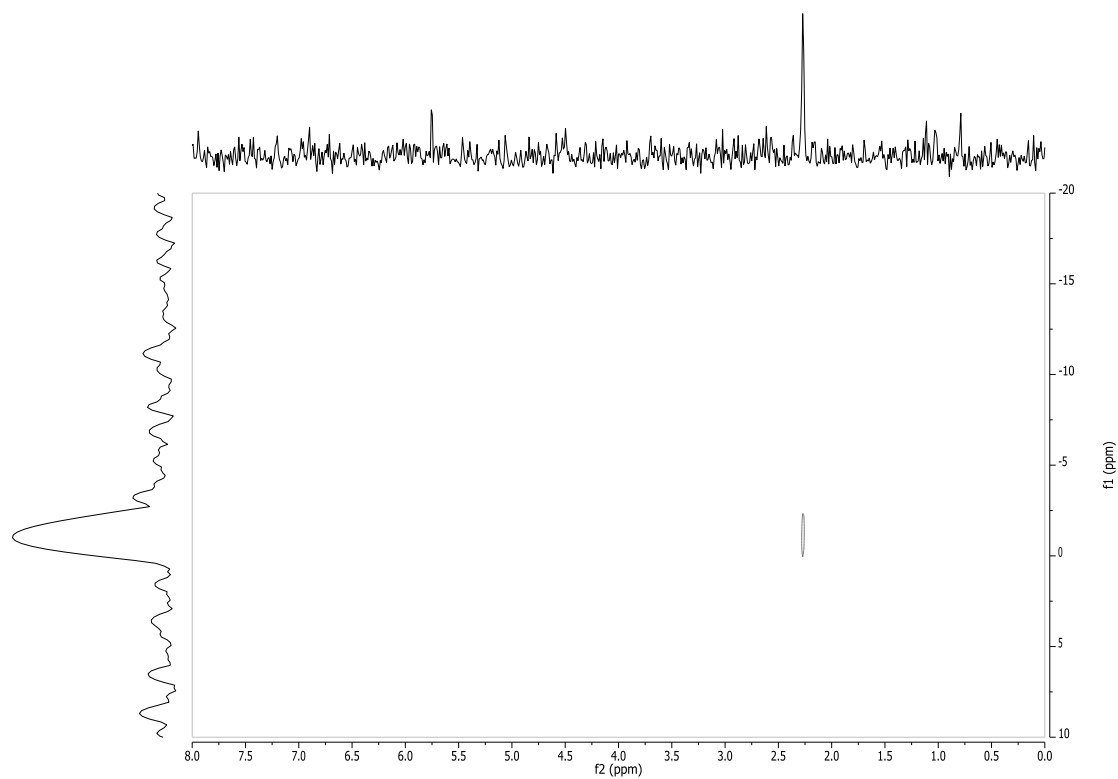
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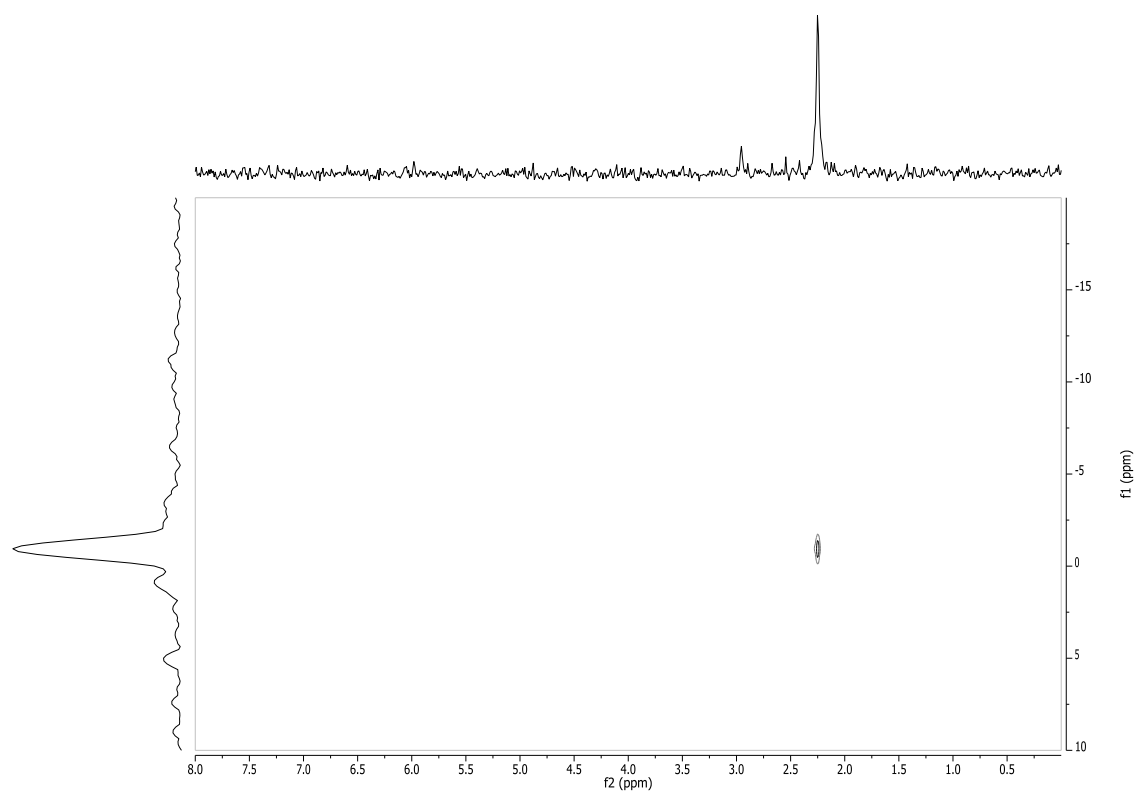
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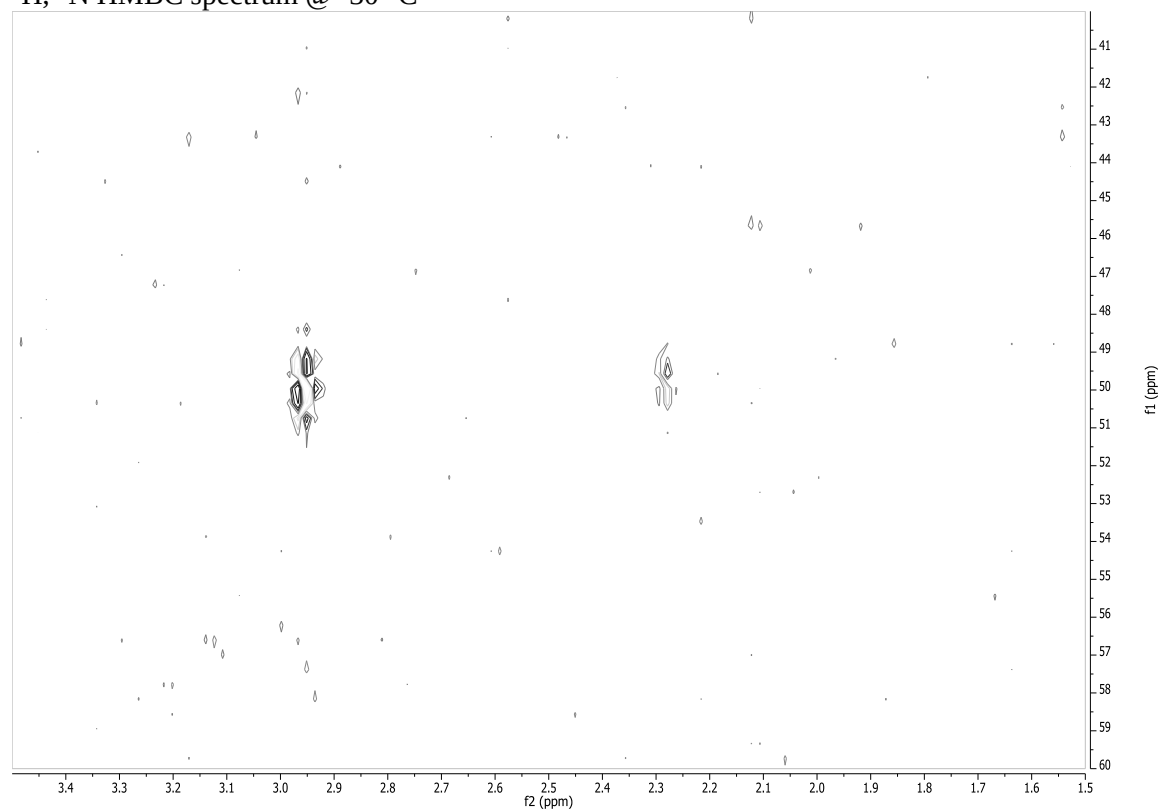
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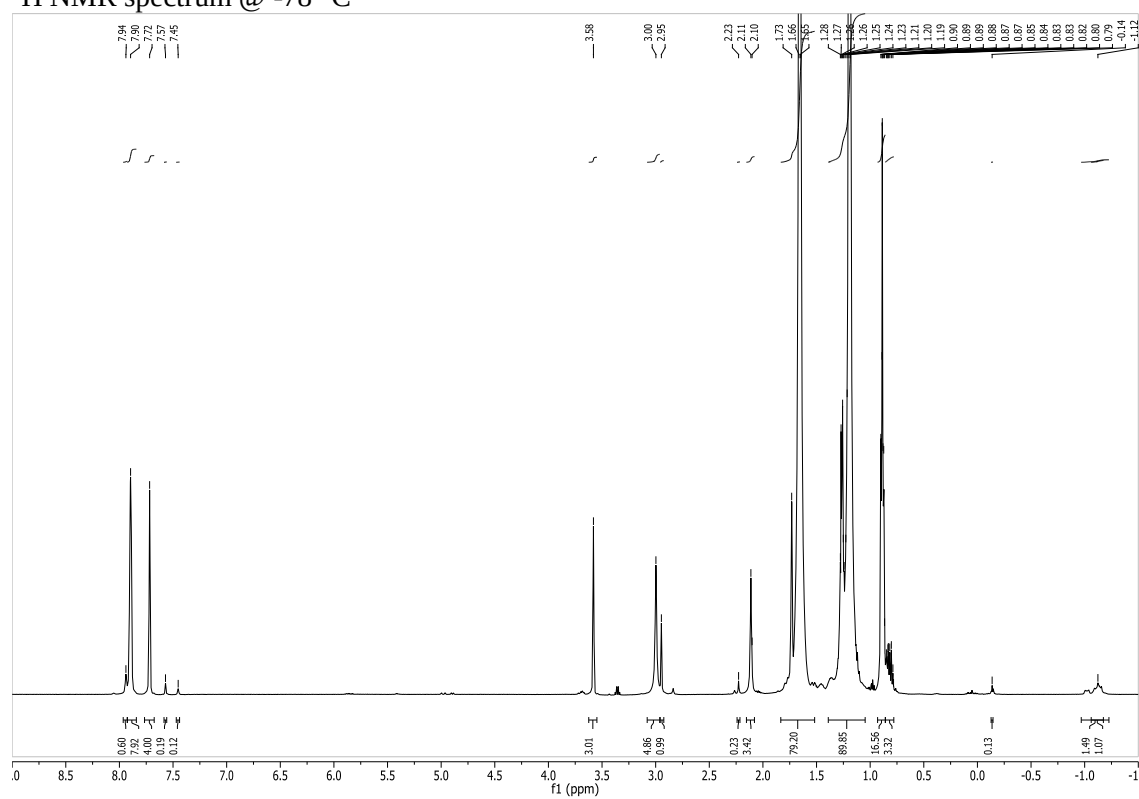
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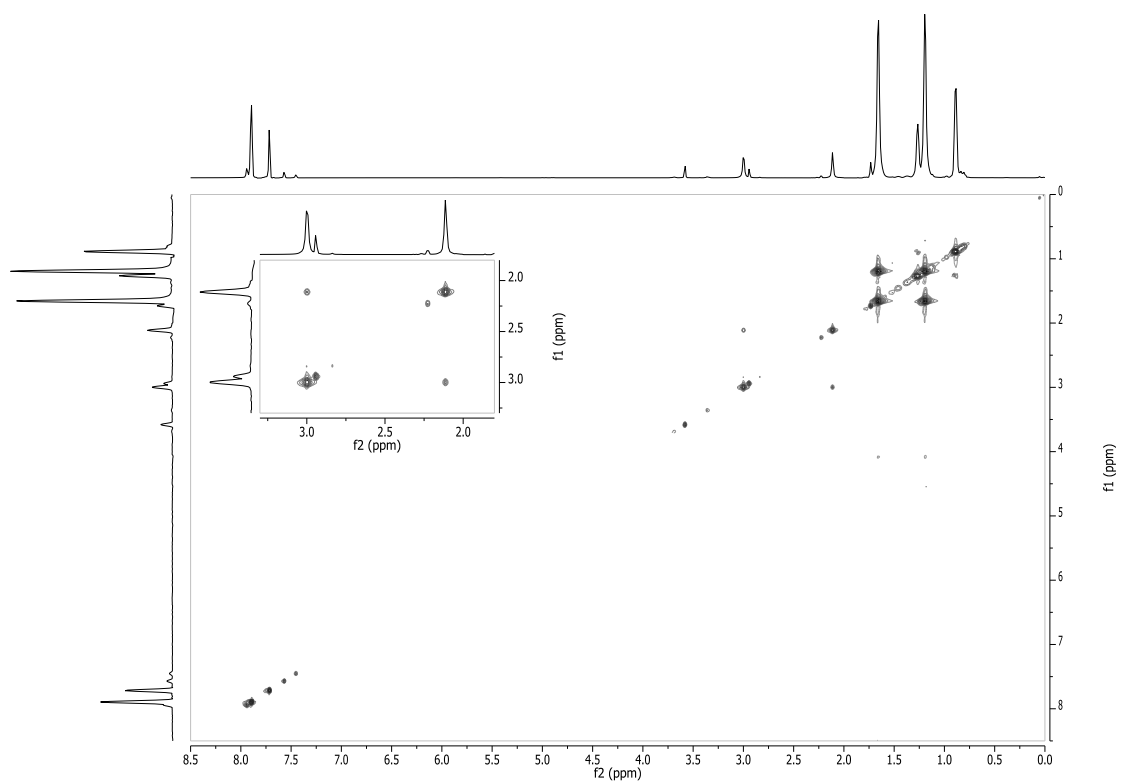
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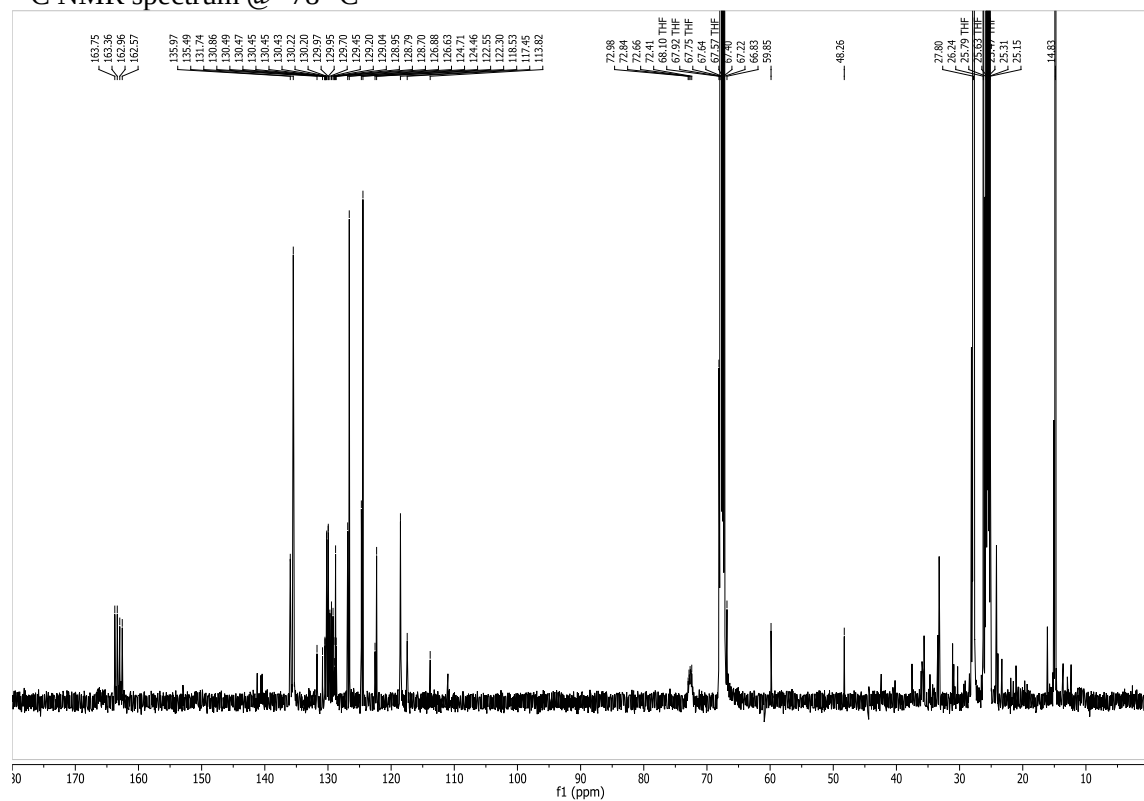
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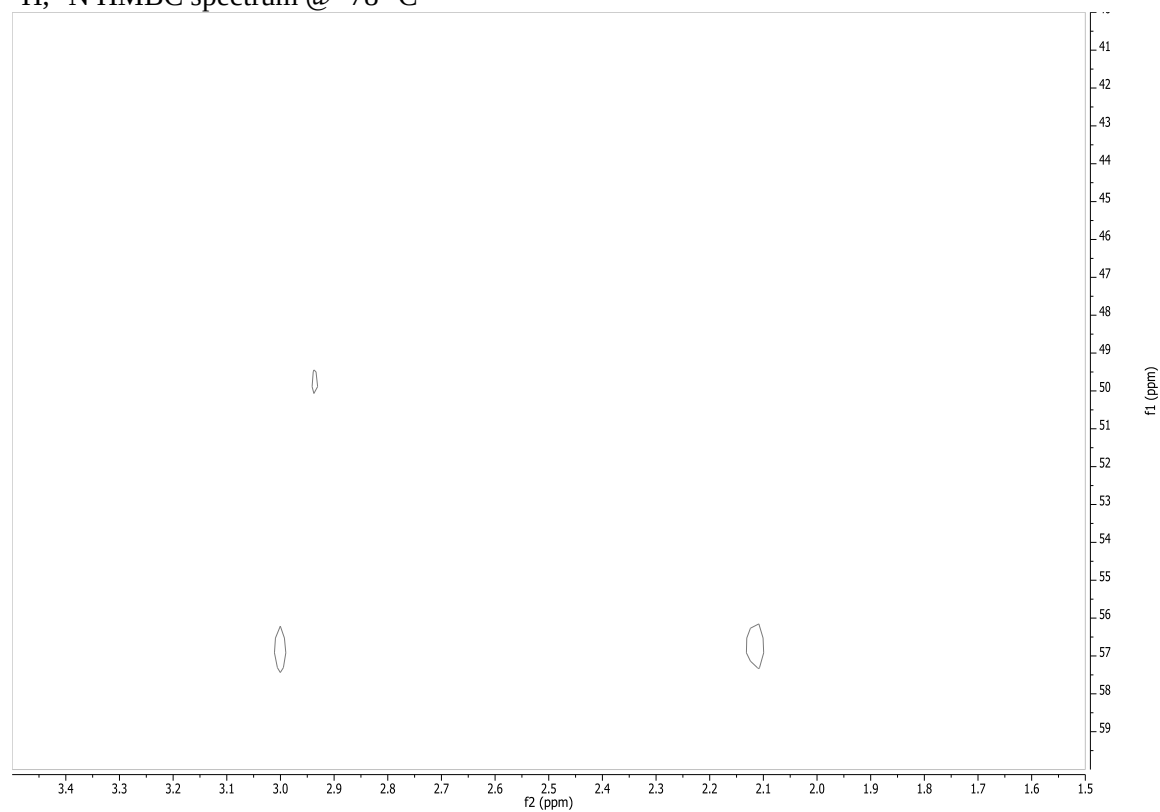
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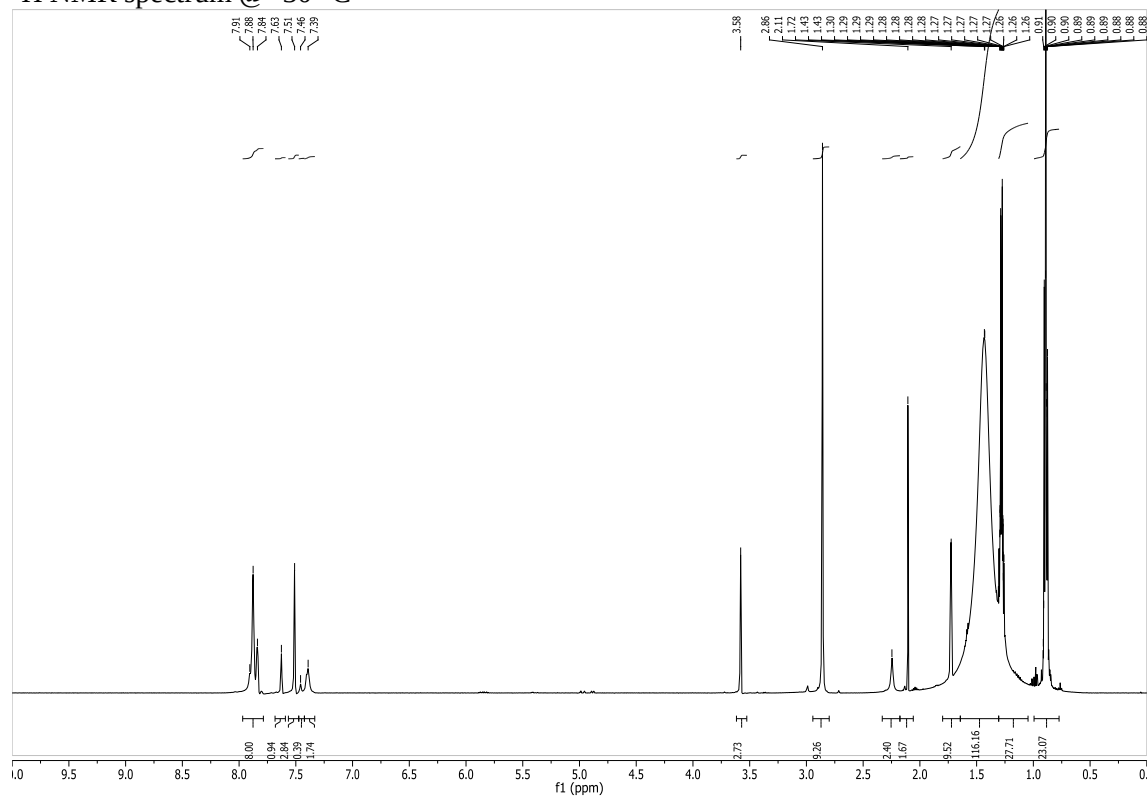
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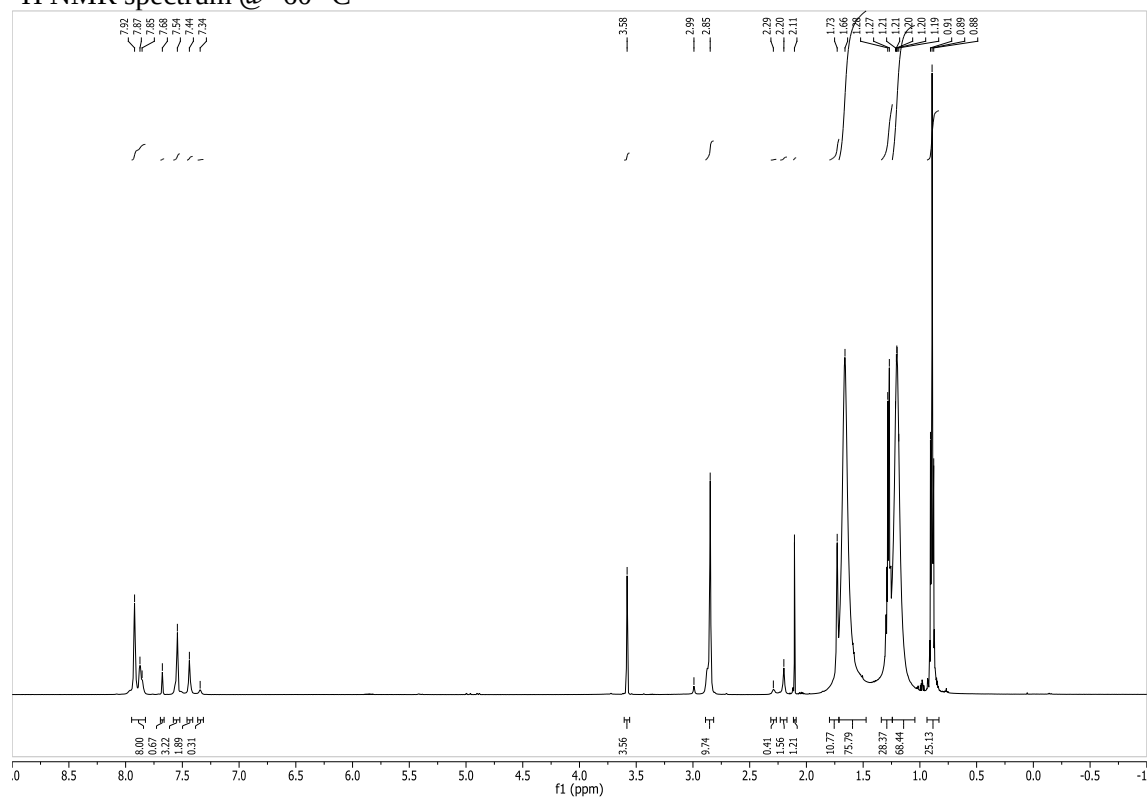
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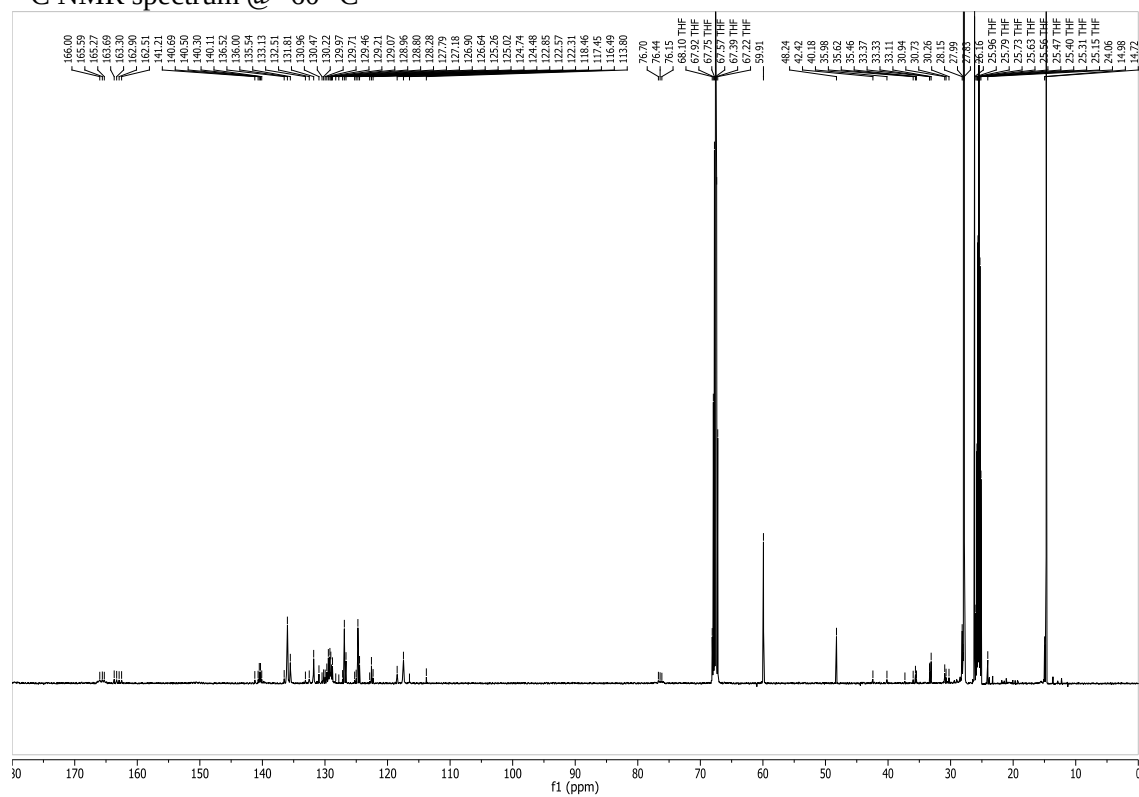
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¹H NMR spectrum @ -30 °C



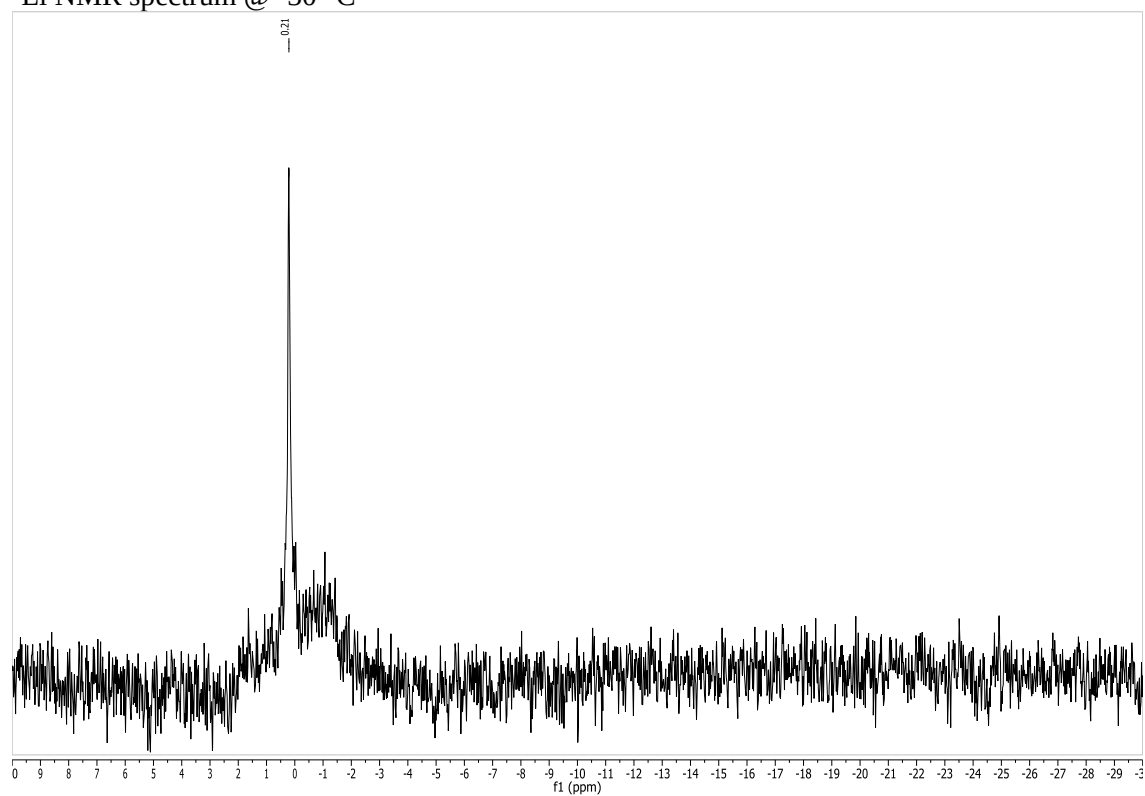
¹H NMR spectrum @ -60 °C



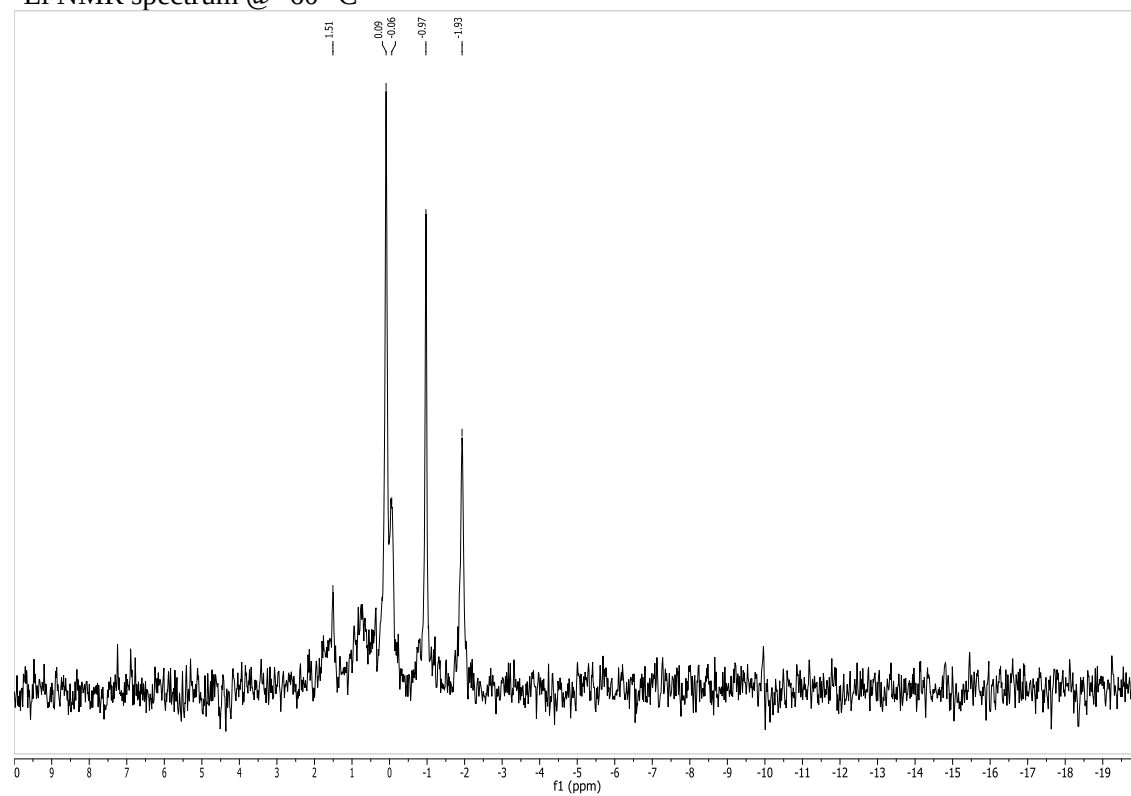
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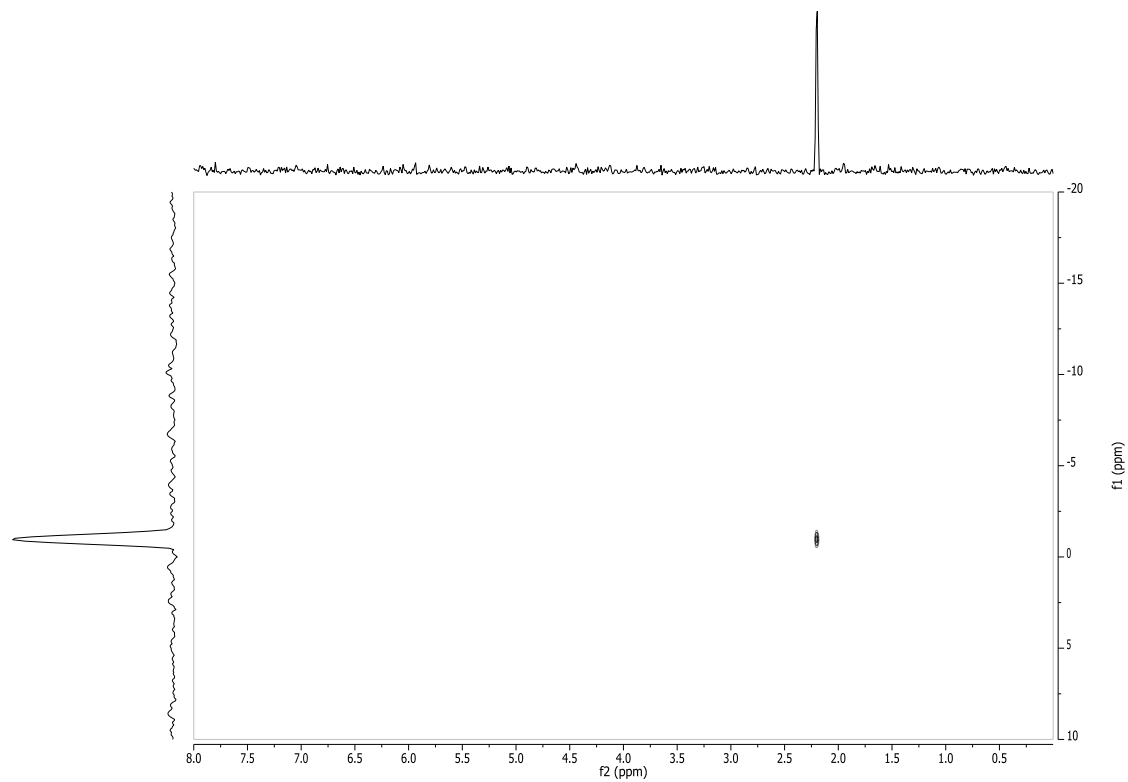
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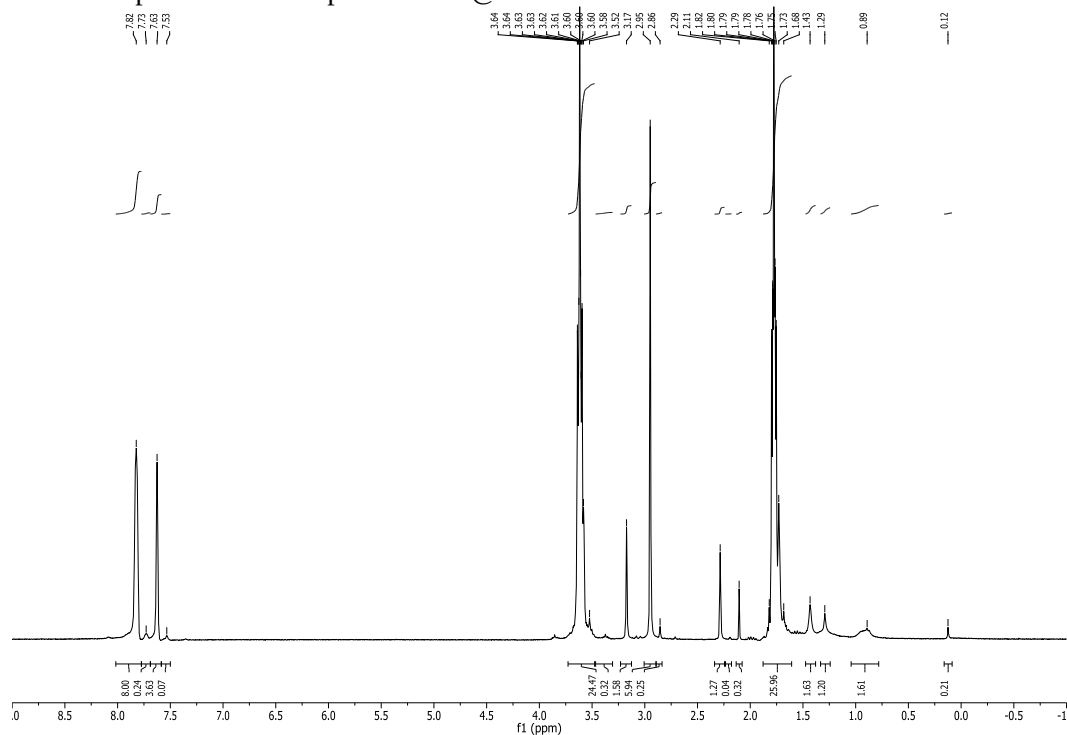
^6Li NMR spectrum @ -60 °C



$^1\text{H}, ^6\text{Li}$ HMBC spectrum @ -60 °C

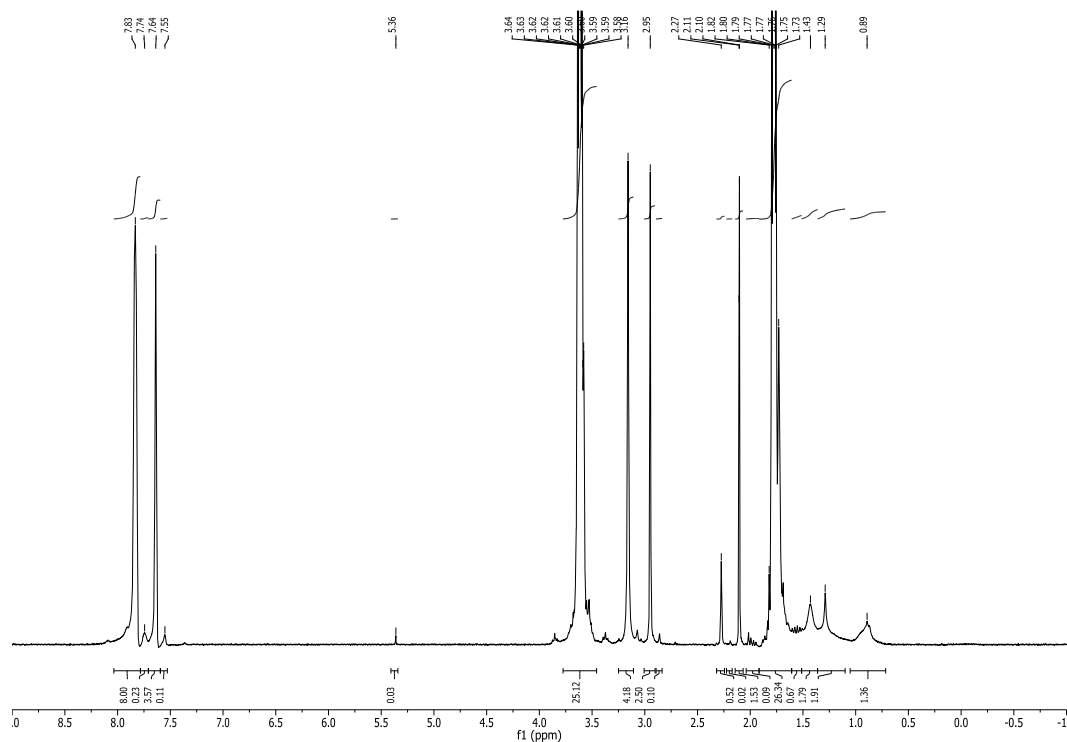


Study of the formation of products of the degradation of lithiomethyl trimethylammonium BAr^F
¹H NMR spectrum after deprotonation @ -20 °C



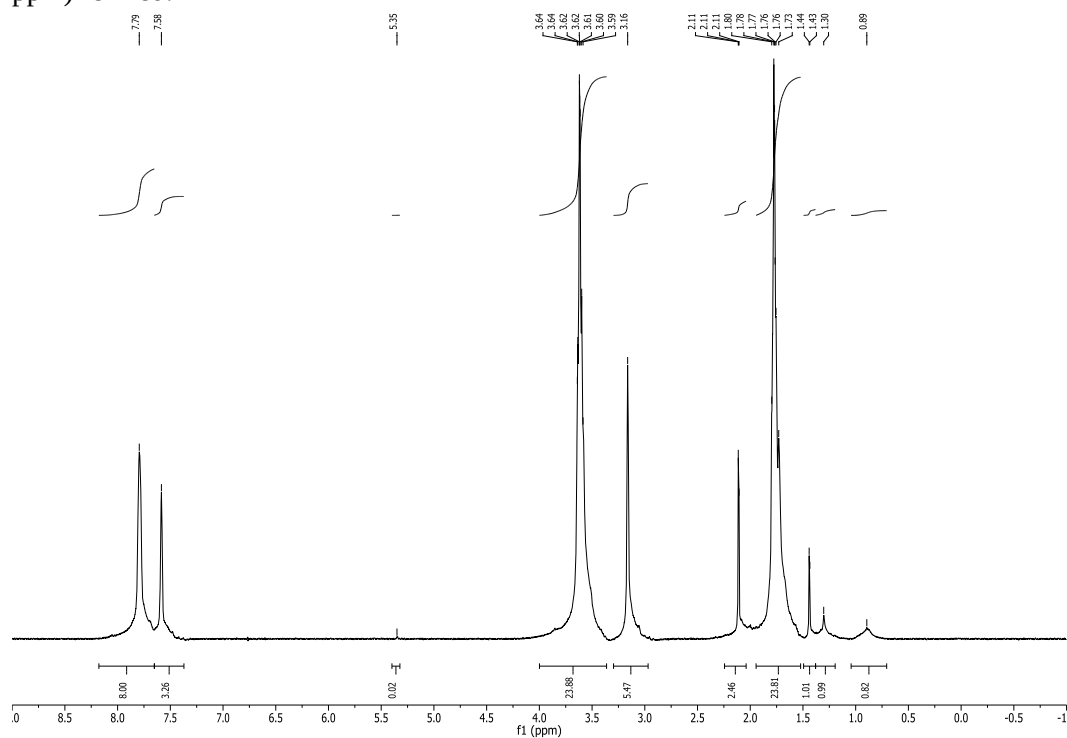
¹H NMR spectrum after 1 h at 10 °C @ -20 °C

Traces of ethylene ($\delta = 5.36$ ppm), and substantial quantities of NMe_4^+ ($\delta = 3.16$ ppm) and NMe_3 ($\delta = 2.10$ ppm) formed.

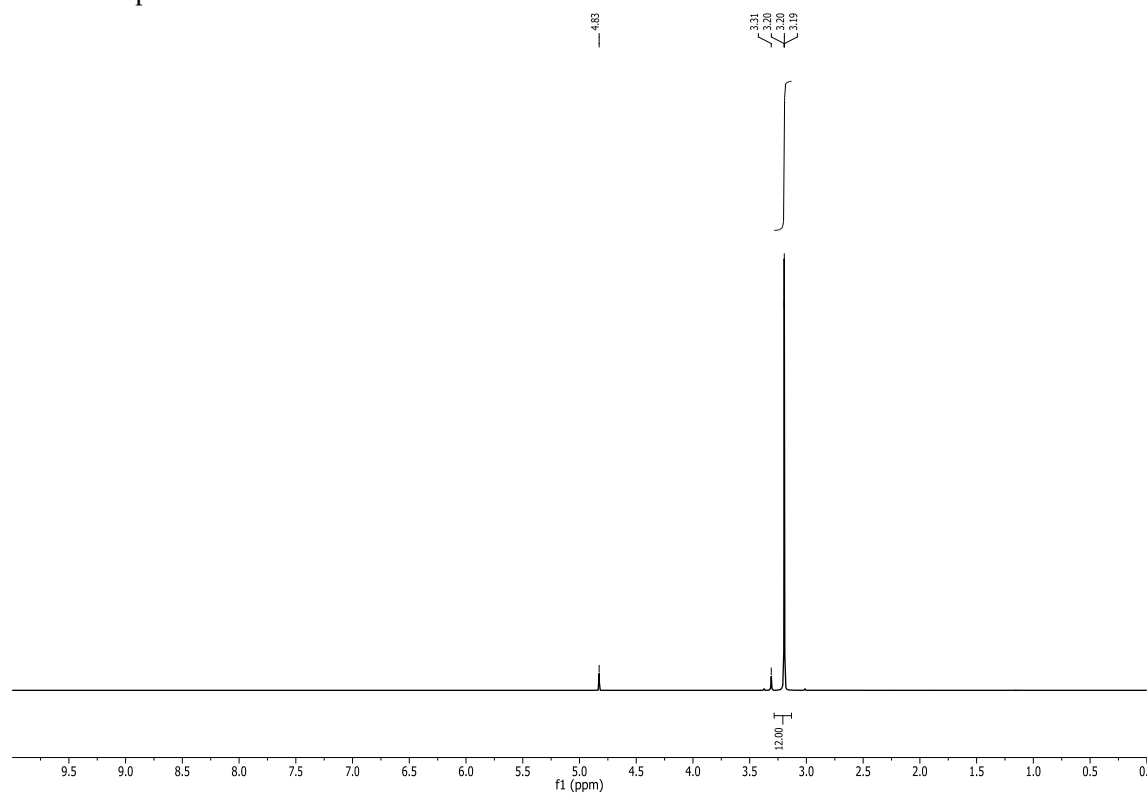


^1H NMR spectrum after 16 h at 10 °C @ -20 °C

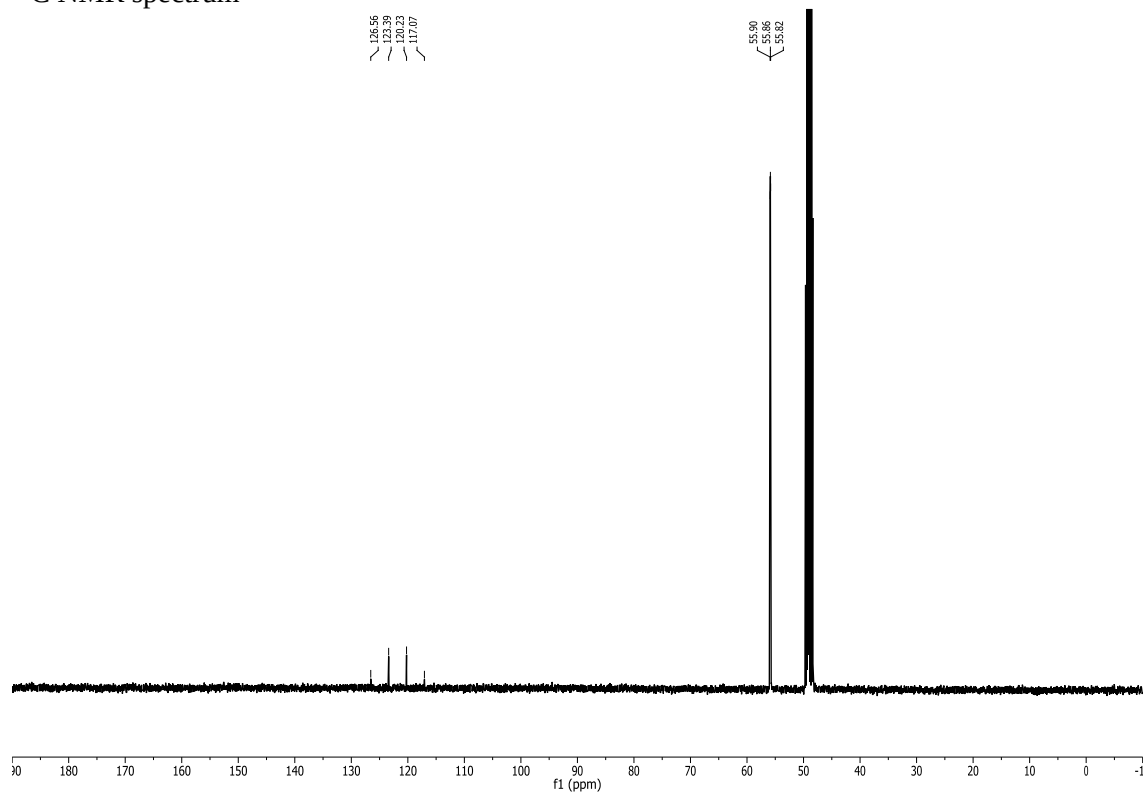
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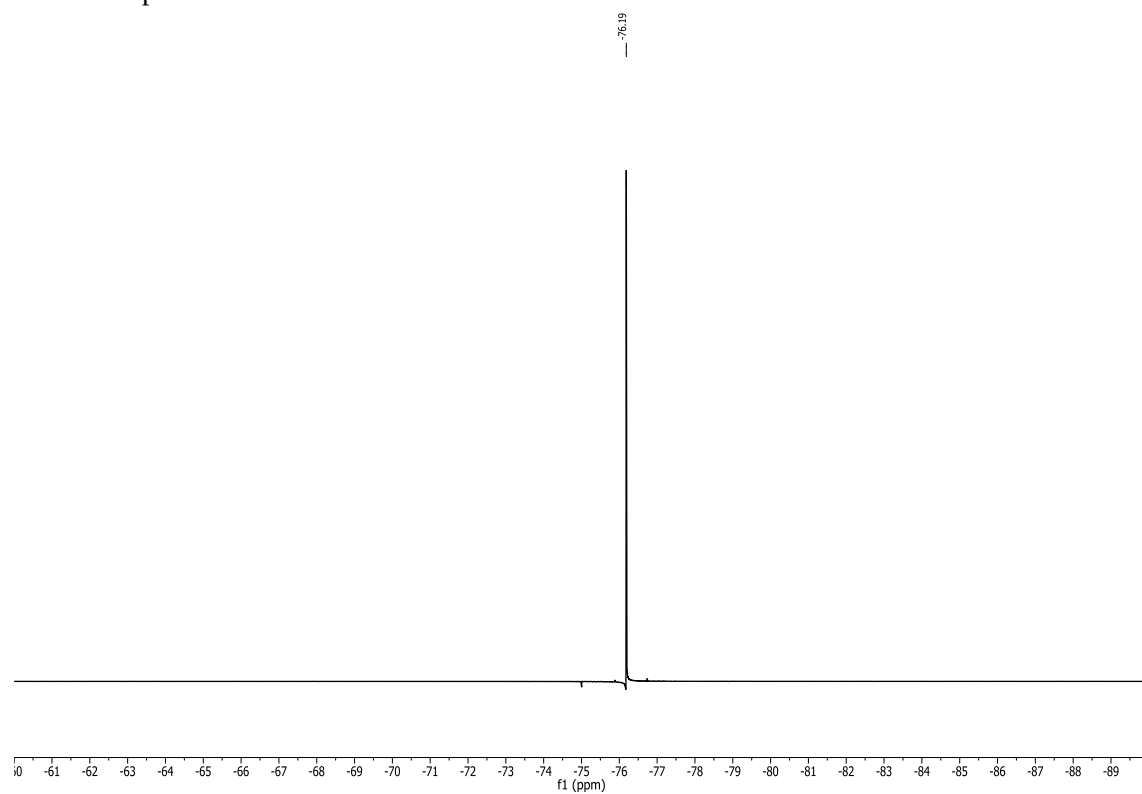
Tetramethylammonium OTf (**16**):
 ^1H NMR spectrum



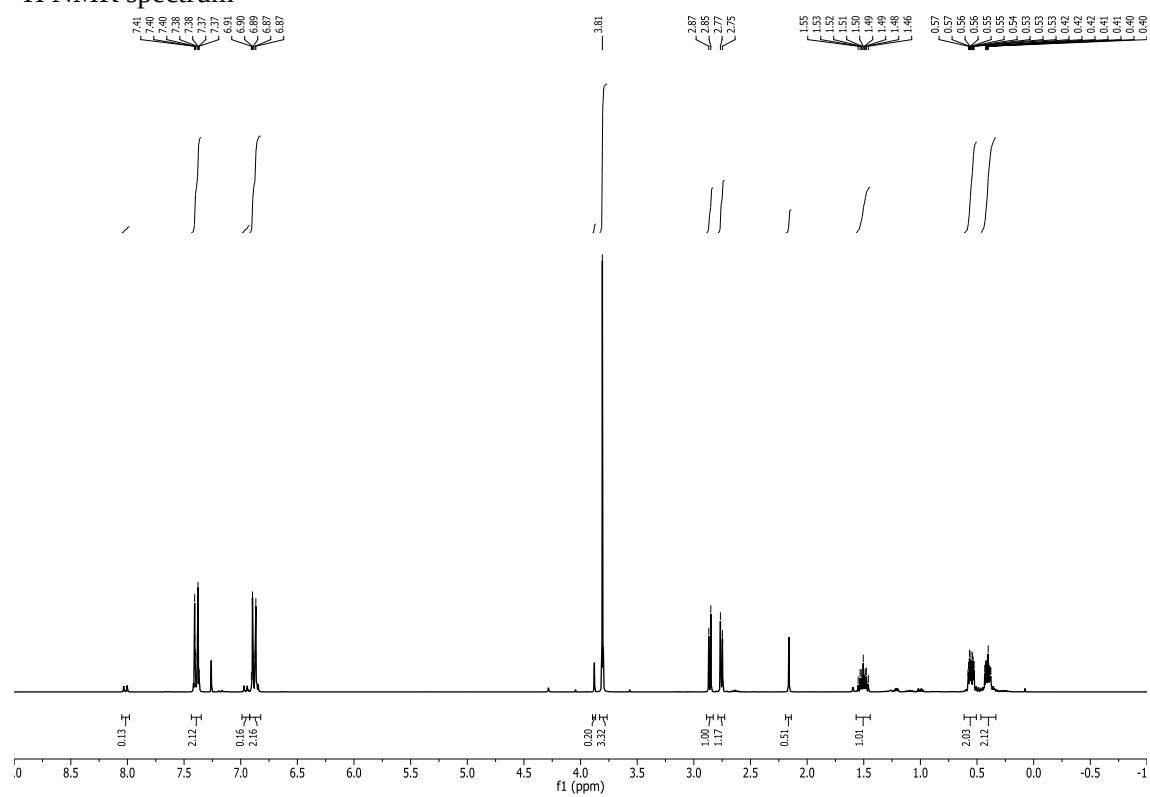
^{13}C NMR spectrum



^{19}F NMR spectrum



2-Cyclopropyl-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)oxirane (**19d**):
¹H NMR spectrum

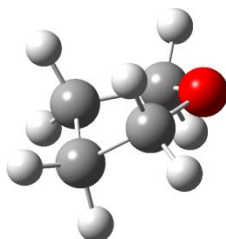


5. Optimised geometries

a) Influence of a Li cation on the stability of P-C and N-C ylides

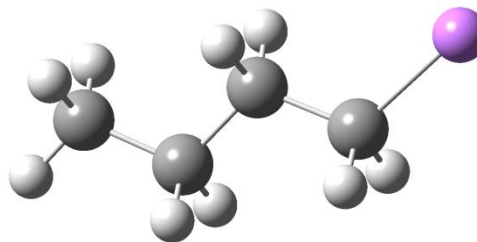
1) Gaussian: M06/aug-cc-pVDZ

THF (C_2 , $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



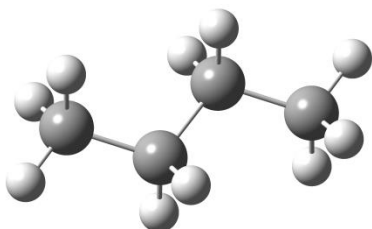
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H	-1.950062844792	-0.823511168835	-0.514734911957
H	1.949988328744	-0.823074842104	0.515392302276
H	1.517616725987	-0.466238123971	-1.179201889297
O	0.000097413639	-1.240433008347	-0.000106396055

BuLi (C_s , $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



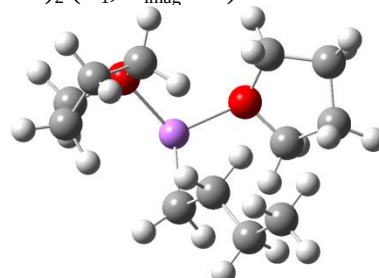
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H	-0.263238696947	1.052948765529	3.406971571357
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Li	2.127189370599	1.627964741281	2.654418167764

Bu (C_{2h} , $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



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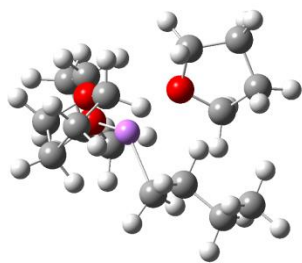
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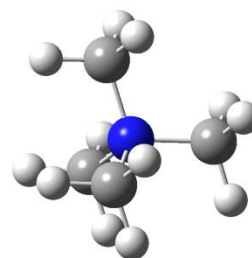
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Li	-0.298924333920	-0.488045759914	-0.299533141765
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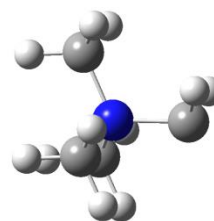
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NMe₄ cation (T_D , $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



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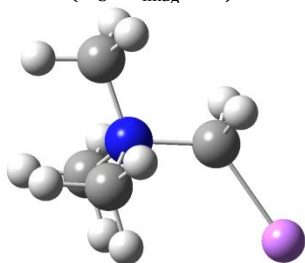
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H	-4.326230088750	2.959453093915	-1.830467188324
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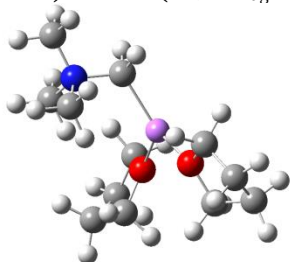
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NMe₃CH₂Li cation (C_S , $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



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H	-0.883324539060	4.191913305836	-4.109688829020
C	-1.857462405517	4.260788978468	-1.607226358813
H	-2.341258571573	5.255876554713	-1.628724426461
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H	-0.883424823759	2.127818353553	-2.917404829043
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Li	0.118882613791	4.532950940697	-1.138355274616

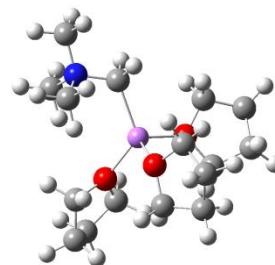
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H	3.508139246906	-0.516203836779	-0.550362632696
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C	1.142188607319	-1.663158770461	-1.043306674757
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H	0.656582813361	-2.637736126511	-1.239698419725
C	3.054946767350	-3.106177664906	-0.272503945010
H	3.755193670022	-3.302250377940	0.551927917109
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Li	-0.218246543982	-0.090868038182	-0.737662607565
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H	-2.704339837805	1.566657344169	-0.407021829125
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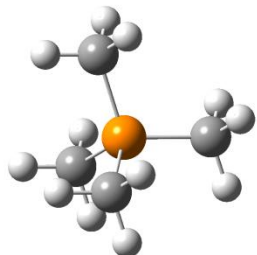
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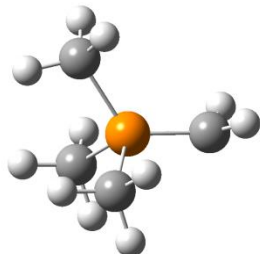
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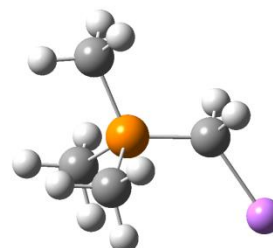
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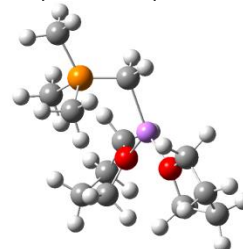
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PMe₃CH₂Li cation (C_S, N_{imag} = 0)



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C	-1.886476920733	1.865328137221	-2.834220587107
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H	-2.188935298210	1.348994910802	-1.912975237188
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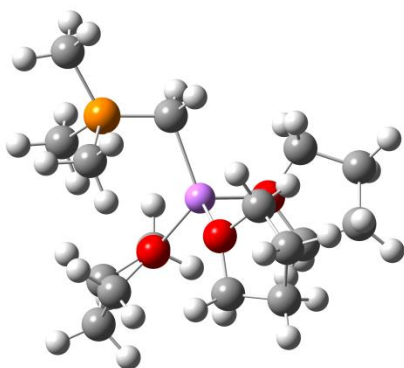
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Li	-0.326943664182	-0.135697784346	-0.825917392326
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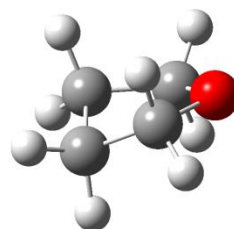
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[20] Apparently the potential energy surface is relatively flat for this molecule. Multiple minimal energy structures within 0.5 kcal mol⁻¹ were obtained.

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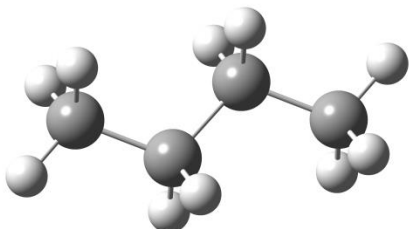
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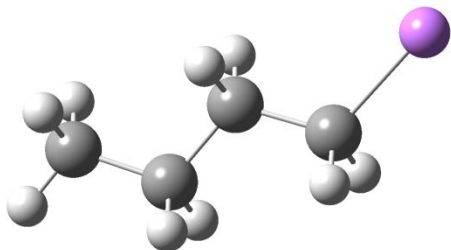
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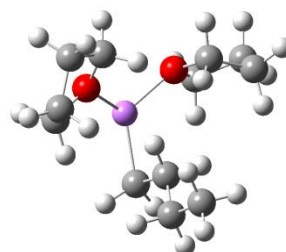
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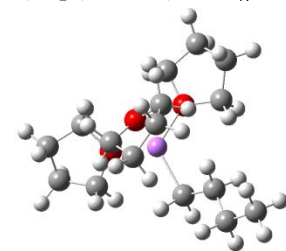
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Li	2.199749525850	1.638315216132	2.638244168462

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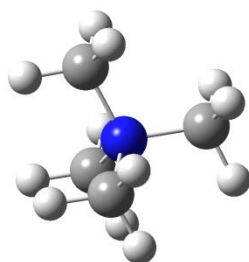
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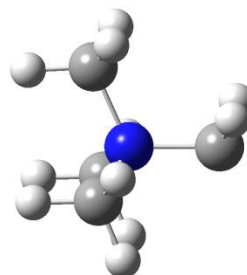
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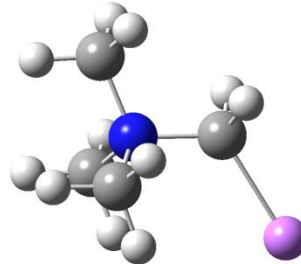
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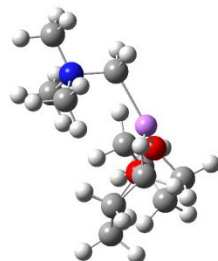
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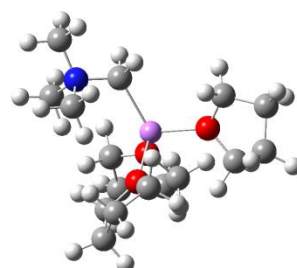
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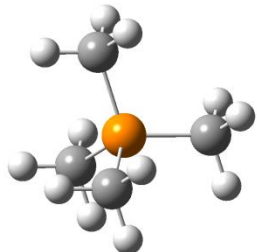
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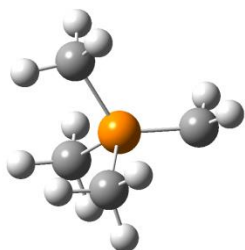
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C	0.382150324498	1.132577981062	2.264849255179
C	0.245108411396	-0.927971847409	3.418114061079
H	-1.583811724337	-1.089671866660	2.254097408015
H	-0.191451917636	-1.911651126897	1.489975692926
C	0.187830686870	0.575822262923	3.663169615274
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H	-0.134903670449	2.087953200055	2.094595078192
H	1.287881746230	-1.263579294534	3.306779067583
H	-0.225234123843	-1.518686005939	4.213656737265
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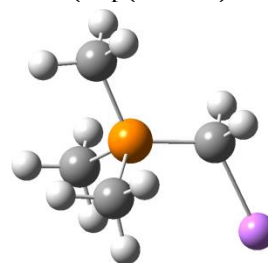
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H	2.364659440406	0.330570819923	-0.232113183483
H	1.466689208461	0.844943809993	-1.696753897815
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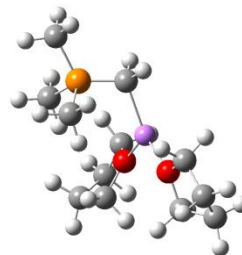
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H	2.269970661534	-0.662885468097	0.378135366587
C	-1.418786260741	0.353914421577	0.989541515229
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H	-1.723792342339	-0.596385094088	1.449336514817
H	-1.182594591632	1.085967614772	1.773020757659
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H	1.402978824193	1.496365713678	-1.414788275451
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H	-2.187695964357	1.366406543461	-1.886391016465
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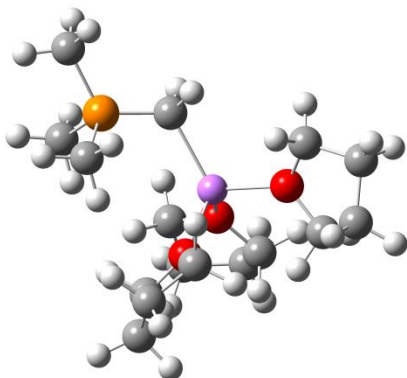
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C	3.072853816240	0.202477317998	-0.590804238669
H	2.161977211536	0.797843594059	-0.734639422749
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Li	-0.074724554227	-0.262061115238	1.169408855174
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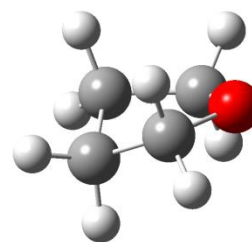


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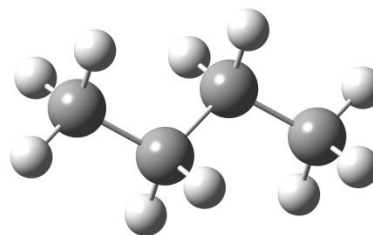
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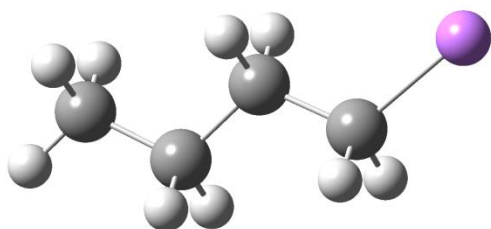
Bu ($\text{C}_{2\text{H}}$, $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



C	-2.501755065168	0.096428900642	0.008000829985
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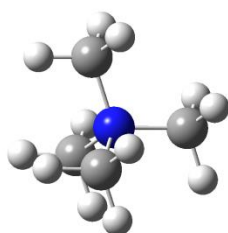
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BuLi (C_S , $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



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C	-0.451171994601	0.831719153632	1.279054517492
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H	-0.256712316803	1.054479650611	3.398657235609
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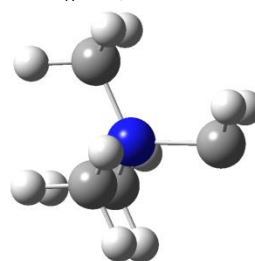
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C	0.000000001316	-1.406780728911	-0.497372094418
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C	1.218307846255	0.703390364502	-0.497372099578
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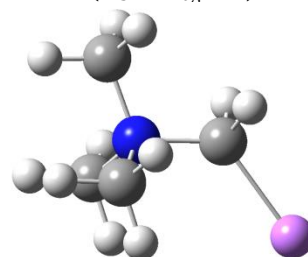
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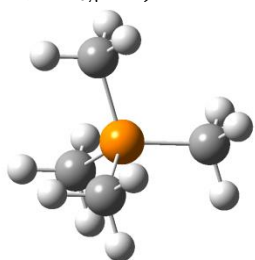
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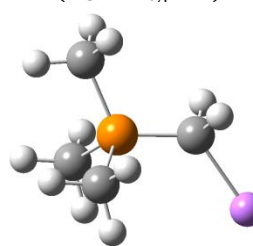
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H	-4.313718163561	3.056698281239	-3.692714948214
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H	-4.265032562718	4.599575085831	-2.797330774534
C	-1.978149193963	2.145960684816	-2.854115212730
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H	-2.406640077234	1.637993252882	-3.717017106564
N	-2.435294493525	3.556123411500	-2.827822084455
Li	0.101016550435	4.533273330093	-1.135595753257

PMe₄ cation (T_D, N_{imag} = 0)



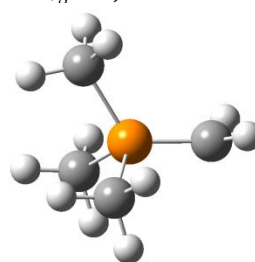
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H	1.467636185346	0.847340144911	-1.687237396051
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PMe₃CH₂Li cation (C_s, N_{imag} = 0)



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C	-1.752269582113	4.398205985299	-1.369327711470
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H	-2.152790341577	3.890233102540	-0.484037630080
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H	-4.562872621271	3.031368661385	-3.736657029345
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C	-1.890803997964	1.875933071664	-2.831296009926
H	-0.807393788551	1.822602090163	-2.931519040481
H	-2.189250622922	1.366554532594	-1.914931873343
H	-2.353724686508	1.374552068724	-3.680882660287
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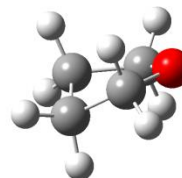
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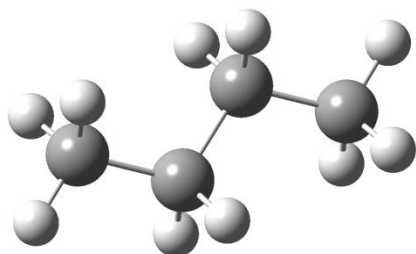
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C	-1.936121434450	1.862661721440	-2.668992185876
H	-0.847642947031	1.804709991235	-2.646207506131
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H	-2.439230062843	4.359417972199	-5.136032852399
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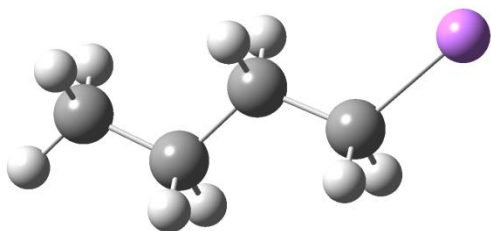
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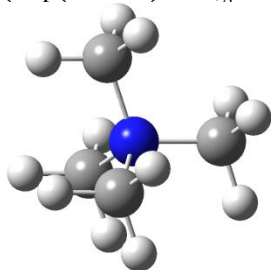
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C	1.153982226722	-0.418146944345	-0.136491896586
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H	-1.948370119767	-0.815261338783	-0.499372897439
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Bu (IOP(2/15=3), $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)

C	-2.501411194091	0.096237856701	0.007624653131
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H	-2.155269938124	0.582969998692	-0.907969817203
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C	-1.969084021286	0.805447004117	1.233996326965
H	-2.347561472699	1.833426834409	1.264755896931
H	-2.347193115754	0.318453747563	2.140080073866
C	-0.453879557944	0.834124515628	1.282465874987
H	-0.075770464520	1.321117769880	0.376382126491
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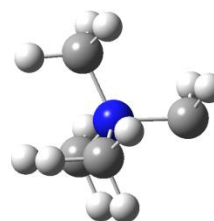
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C	0.152881042092	1.533675158017	2.499107858291
H	-0.248037948080	1.050217210884	3.407955827573
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Li	2.183430030827	1.640684384238	2.641633867944

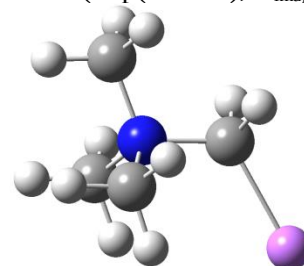
NMe₄ cation (IOP(2/15=3), $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)

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NMe₃CH₂ (IOP(2/15=3), $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)

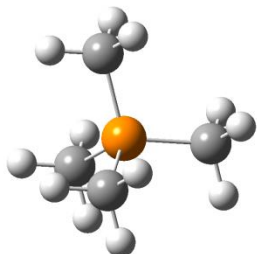
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N	-2.505932430570	3.598863136611	-2.739795958312
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H	-2.418925138955	3.872827222397	-4.800630908294
H	-0.979936401579	4.370862472849	-3.925145350599

NMe₃CH₂Li cation (IOP(2/15=3), $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)

C	0.262293033202	-0.537459256147	1.265549387098
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H	-0.596205888944	-1.203299589927	1.319511459588
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C	1.401182516671	1.087161183377	-0.098710218679
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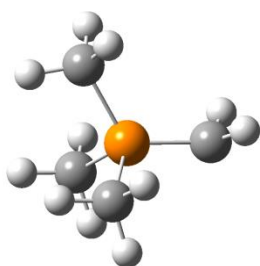
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H	1.221427867370	-1.322387553609	-1.083895813163
N	0.213389829530	0.196069144228	-0.018579229920
Li	-2.901252555834	-0.008645812206	-0.075674030570

PMe₄ cation (IOp(2/15=3), $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



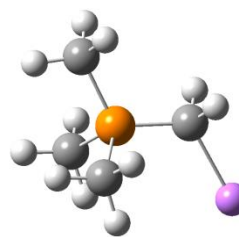
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C	-1.458874530595	0.842231825477	-0.594786855480
H	-1.457091749964	1.870536984940	-0.234103989745
H	-1.457592010047	0.839237105552	-1.684836430508
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C	1.458874531480	0.842231820260	-0.594786854184
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H	1.457592011261	0.839237101416	-1.684836429277
H	1.457091755027	1.870536979233	-0.234103987344

PMe₃CH₂ (IOp(2/15=3), $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



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H	1.096270165692	-1.408054088169	1.474190434582
H	2.259843661996	-0.644247885220	0.370161463929
C	-1.413179294895	0.354684531558	0.978930342188
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H	-1.714967948064	-0.585746833902	1.441248905607
H	-1.180767766450	1.087442606304	1.750823029863
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H	-0.632480137625	-2.224984662364	-0.391899745195
H	-1.278157048955	-1.152232003483	-1.657966872944
C	0.465446642848	1.560768668318	-0.841872307036
H	-0.345809311604	2.026433953759	-1.398931792798
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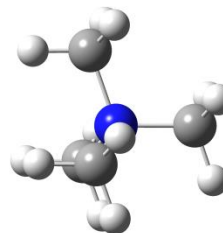
PMe₃CH₂Li cation (IOp(2/15=3), $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



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H	-0.800230421094	4.367953034716	-4.314568298975
C	-1.781657583566	4.404096619903	-1.353474839018
H	-2.148212426395	5.435967646485	-1.347452606346
H	-2.147662402813	3.896176616811	-0.455288556870
C	-4.241192071137	3.538077717494	-2.862964974313
H	-4.550441434919	3.018058284298	-3.770658419492
H	-4.638483699778	3.014510370548	-1.992850729253
H	-4.636281022767	4.554267610631	-2.873733938674
C	-1.892772826529	1.891786748868	-2.807153446815
H	-0.807610282275	1.853327288326	-2.900893723392
H	-2.191537775107	1.382997710932	-1.889918456946
H	-2.348399152652	1.386248893732	-3.658878499043
Li	0.255345059426	4.544491005409	-1.143991916050
P	-2.439273417851	3.604026212037	-2.740467943261

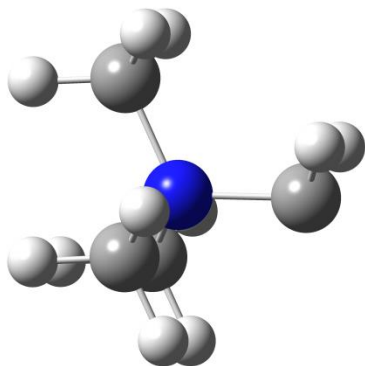
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NMe₄ cation (T_D, $N_{\text{imag}}=0$)



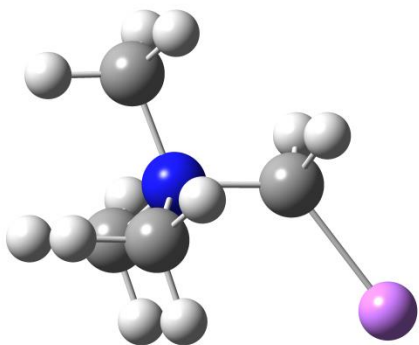
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H	0.22920346	-1.49856613	1.49856613
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H	-1.49856613	-1.49856613	-0.22920346
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H	-1.49856613	1.49856613	0.22920346
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H	1.49856613	0.22920346	-1.49856613
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H	1.49856613	1.49856613	-0.22920346
N	0.00000000	0.00000000	0.00000000

NMe₃CH₂ (C_s, N_{imag} = 0)



C	-0.56927459	4.75283233	1.21459063
H	-0.95223846	5.77734982	1.19278097
H	-1.38118381	4.01190753	1.22354815
H	0.06544331	4.62815501	2.09874328
C	-0.56927459	4.75283233	-1.21459063
H	0.06544331	4.62815501	-2.09874328
H	-1.38118381	4.01190753	-1.22354815
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C	0.82507672	3.15452758	0.00000000
H	1.44855405	3.04234007	0.89214373
H	0.01902719	2.40112113	0.00000000
H	1.44855405	3.04234007	-0.89214373
N	0.28453107	4.57230204	0.00000000
C	1.33659972	5.68403833	0.00000000
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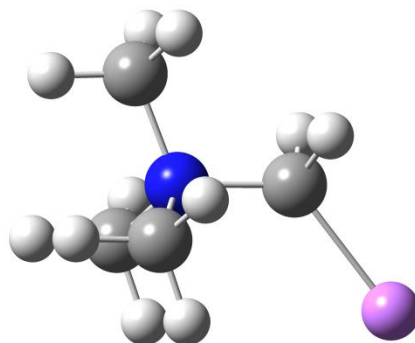
NMe₃CH₂Li cation (C_s, N_{imag} = 0)



C	-1.97340233	-1.40954650	-1.22284745
H	-2.40709715	-2.41634465	-1.23086722
H	-2.29796893	-0.85517095	-2.10952663
H	-0.88070263	-1.47066137	-1.20261060
C	-1.85130463	0.74322362	0.00000000
H	-2.32746753	1.22748012	-0.87274224
H	-2.32746753	1.22748012	0.87274224
C	-3.94632230	-0.64678252	0.00000000
H	-4.33977209	-1.67089921	0.00000000
H	-4.28135012	-0.11265785	0.89406856
H	-4.28135012	-0.11265785	-0.89406856
C	-1.97340233	-1.40954650	1.22284745
H	-0.88070263	-1.47066137	1.20261060
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H	-2.40709715	-2.41634465	1.23086722

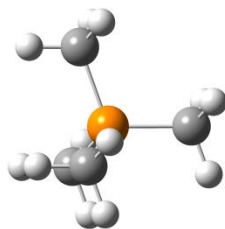
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Li	0.10695558	1.30156682	0.00000000

NMe₃CH₂Li(THF)₂ cation (C₁, N_{imag} = 0)



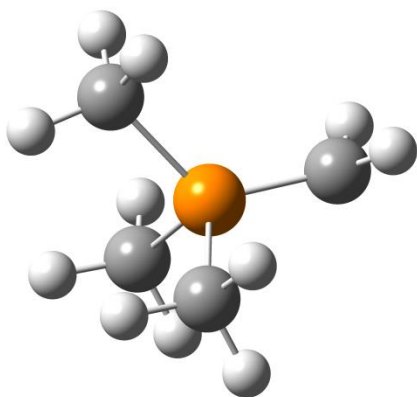
C	2.96175265	-1.76344510	-1.17832795
H	4.04363889	-1.94418048	-1.17751646
H	2.49781765	-2.26785141	-2.03237163
H	2.74975300	-0.69143935	-1.22636482
C	0.84569380	-2.03029241	0.06813181
H	0.47728347	-2.64031746	-0.77829894
H	0.47950175	-2.55657487	0.97070340
C	2.67772734	-3.77574960	0.17363978
H	3.76472310	-3.93289600	0.17854590
H	2.23545346	-4.16404642	1.09591511
H	2.22659035	-4.27852833	-0.68696755
C	2.96936473	-1.60559121	1.25563721
H	2.75504760	-0.53657412	1.16561201
H	2.51104578	-1.99673794	2.17004264
H	4.05140136	-1.78529958	1.27184402
Li	-0.11676101	-0.13802645	0.01666801
O	-2.03380229	-0.23147590	-0.17500612
C	-3.00096997	0.87090383	-0.21957086
C	-2.75162245	-1.50707353	-0.31683516
C	-4.30705433	0.25647084	-0.71278632
H	-3.10392297	1.28050237	0.79799686
H	-2.59836572	1.64761488	-0.88256153
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H	-2.53596269	-1.91030692	-1.31834012
H	-2.36258125	-2.19797200	0.44192207
H	-4.33425540	0.23618468	-1.81167226
H	-5.18388999	0.81251136	-0.35925023
H	-4.87692258	-1.87856262	-0.67695718
H	-4.50911824	-1.18035695	0.91672319
O	0.52153719	1.69827368	0.21360545
C	1.02595547	2.56023258	-0.86279707
C	0.35006895	2.50100702	1.43260665
C	0.86984160	3.99043016	-0.35585334
H	2.08276532	2.30514509	-1.04140355
H	0.44677854	2.34597058	-1.77102286
C	1.06095004	3.82256558	1.15996533
H	-0.72860223	2.64480993	1.60217669
H	0.77280457	1.93385268	2.27249953
H	-0.13611917	4.37327806	-0.57954922
H	1.60147813	4.67050680	-0.80865717
H	0.63235152	4.64823304	1.74076727
H	2.12888679	3.74746303	1.41002907
N	2.35425959	-2.30434680	0.08063748

PMe₄ cation (T_D, N_{imag}=0)



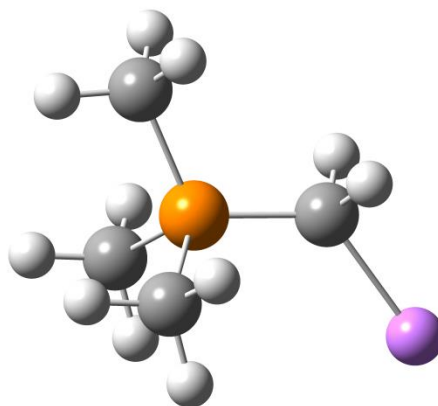
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H	1.68079547	-0.41592479	1.68079547
H	0.41592479	-1.68079547	1.68079547
H	1.68079547	-1.68079547	0.41592479
C	-1.04422997	-1.04422997	-1.04422997
H	-1.68079547	-1.68079547	-0.41592479
H	-1.68079547	-0.41592479	-1.68079547
H	-0.41592479	-1.68079547	-1.68079547
C	-1.04422997	1.04422997	1.04422997
H	-0.41592479	1.68079547	1.68079547
H	-1.68079547	1.68079547	0.41592479
H	-1.68079547	0.41592479	1.68079547
C	1.04422997	1.04422997	-1.04422997
H	1.68079547	0.41592479	-1.68079547
H	0.41592479	1.68079547	-1.68079547
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PMe₃CH₂ (C_S, N_{imag} = 0)



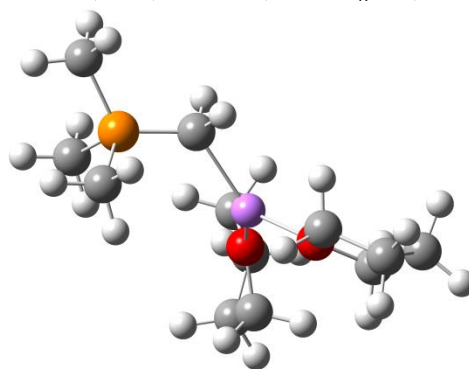
C	-0.63710798	4.79170190	1.47600210
H	-1.13494961	5.76794188	1.45889133
H	-1.38290752	3.98726620	1.51812866
H	-0.00641741	4.73741039	2.37327523
C	-0.63710798	4.79170190	-1.47600210
H	-0.00641741	4.73741039	-2.37327523
H	-1.38290752	3.98726620	-1.51812866
H	-1.13494961	5.76794188	-1.45889133
C	0.81599868	2.80998596	0.00000000
H	1.41996055	2.58095024	0.88824427
H	-0.08443850	2.17686593	0.00000000
H	1.41996055	2.58095024	-0.88824427
C	1.61088768	5.83678853	0.00000000
H	2.17471208	5.97570224	-0.92523909
H	2.17471208	5.97570224	0.92523909
P	0.43185349	4.63661542	0.00000000

PMe₃CH₂Li cation (C_S, N_{imag} = 0)



C	-1.88677716	-1.52388686	-1.46821044
H	-2.35102382	-2.51816966	-1.48232538
H	-2.18681658	-0.98067726	-2.37397346
H	-0.79570183	-1.63850982	-1.46608464
C	-1.74231149	1.01921708	0.00000000
H	-2.15166503	1.54061487	-0.88509480
H	-2.15166503	1.54061487	0.88509480
C	-4.24600338	-0.67750723	0.00000000
H	-4.59946656	-1.71720295	0.00000000
H	-4.63177533	-0.16462671	0.89047765
H	-4.63177533	-0.16462671	-0.89047765
C	-1.88677716	-1.52388686	1.46821044
H	-0.79570183	-1.63850982	1.46608464
H	-2.18681658	-0.98067726	2.37397346
H	-2.35102382	-2.51816966	1.48232538
Li	0.21030953	1.53984702	0.00000000
P	-2.42314646	-0.59567139	0.00000000

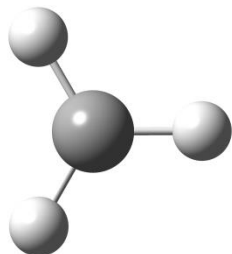
PMe₃CH₂Li(THF)₂ cation (C₁, N_{imag} = 0)



C	3.63712542	-0.11108965	0.54242820
H	4.53894556	-0.35640683	1.11747191
H	3.93507032	0.41635909	-0.37322246
H	2.99176679	0.54585483	1.13769166
C	1.30680900	-1.24214526	-0.82123704
H	1.61805870	-0.74473221	-1.75593680
H	0.80213531	-2.18530689	-1.09048980
C	3.98808770	-2.70675995	-0.68244982
H	4.84531567	-2.88153155	-0.01796806
H	3.52631991	-3.66961216	-0.93692581
H	4.34009188	-2.23877140	-1.61096465
C	2.29198200	-2.46841663	1.64750621
H	1.65609626	-1.81751735	2.25964619
H	1.73992193	-3.38886225	1.41646698

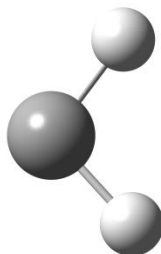
H	3.19486611	-2.73104222	2.21319299
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Li	-0.30626628	-0.00353528	-0.16926773
O	-2.07895531	-0.72153005	0.05422531
C	-3.32656586	-0.02367586	-0.28174921
C	-2.36544541	-2.15274461	0.23827983
C	-4.31038123	-1.11593668	-0.68281658
H	-3.66795591	0.52266619	0.61181638
H	-3.10449295	0.69315635	-1.08279917
C	-3.88676896	-2.27936223	0.22737506
H	-1.90105721	-2.70052920	-0.59578773
H	-1.90463953	-2.47091816	1.18258170
H	-4.18151393	-1.38245426	-1.74162328
H	-5.35242659	-0.80937284	-0.53053070
H	-4.21433802	-3.25752078	-0.14503739
H	-4.29399841	-2.14511305	1.23951362
O	-0.27077005	1.92540033	-0.08494192
C	0.49627185	2.76217769	-1.01941700
C	-0.97897575	2.79267170	0.86674107
C	-0.00226687	4.18702651	-0.80179451
H	1.56426948	2.65949600	-0.77226455
H	0.32321839	2.38211225	-2.03471567
C	-0.37233665	4.18056090	0.68976191
H	-2.05006295	2.78076632	0.61183656
H	-0.84337737	2.37284395	1.87211129
H	-0.88907043	4.38571211	-1.42032092
H	0.76183577	4.93301077	-1.05183928
H	-1.07771905	4.97543705	0.96072892
H	0.52616999	4.29345400	1.31313630

Me cation (D_{3h} , $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



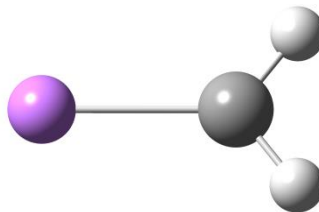
C	0.00000000	0.00000000	0.00000000
H	-0.55026034	0.95307887	0.00000000
H	1.10052069	0.00000000	0.00000000
H	-0.55026034	-0.95307887	0.00000000

CH₂ carbene, singlet (C_s , $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



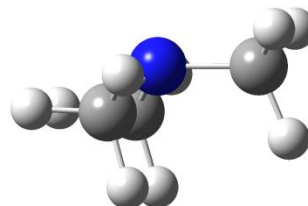
C	1.32920054	5.68662902	0.00000000
H	2.00692212	5.44933707	-0.86413459
H	2.00692212	5.44933707	0.86413459

CH₂Li cation (C_{2v} , $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



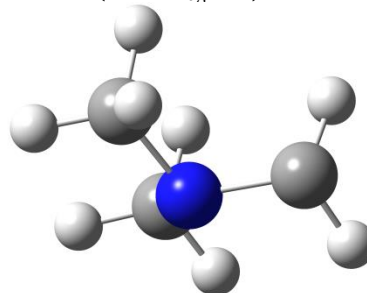
H	0.00000000	0.88128925	-1.13189369
H	0.00000000	-0.88128925	-1.13189369
Li	0.00000000	0.00000000	1.67097049
C	0.00000000	0.00000000	-0.45818041

NMe₃ (C_{3v} , $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



C	-0.69416735	1.20233312	-0.06281690
H	-0.74108656	1.28359958	-1.17320495
H	-0.18152563	2.09445530	0.32286737
H	-1.72308868	1.20443346	0.32286737
C	1.38833470	0.00000000	-0.06281690
H	1.48217313	0.00000000	-1.17320495
H	1.90461431	-0.89002185	0.32286737
H	1.90461431	0.89002185	0.32286737
C	-0.69416735	-1.20233312	-0.06281690
H	-1.72308868	-1.20443346	0.32286737
H	-0.18152563	-2.09445530	0.32286737
H	-0.74108656	-1.28359958	-1.17320495
N	0.00000000	0.00000000	0.38728100

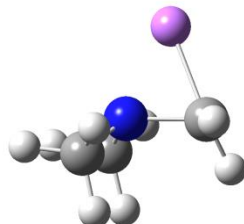
NMe₂CH₂ anion (C_1 , $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



C	-0.55932919	4.73843242	-1.18728761
H	0.00498188	4.61054539	-2.15432750
H	-1.38357441	3.99846696	-1.19156019
H	-0.96950654	5.75863182	-1.18141432
C	0.81817486	3.20882241	-0.00834777
H	1.44656399	3.08009394	0.88274285
H	0.00380778	2.44508885	0.02213012
H	1.46697461	2.99368948	-0.90261913
N	0.29610491	4.57614649	-0.03051027
C	1.32362869	5.64015090	0.00974016
H	2.04653652	5.46089431	-0.84779765

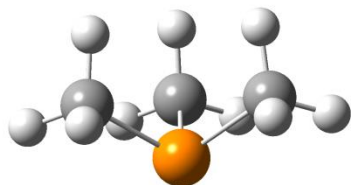
H 1.91551000 5.47944592 0.94002250

NMe₂CH₂Li (C₁, N_{imag} = 0)



C	-2.01634094	1.03524783	0.39880614
H	-2.70775563	1.59883085	-0.25247593
H	-2.27470731	1.28706814	1.44366817
C	-3.62874172	-0.76306506	-0.31757252
H	-3.71282672	-1.83391368	-0.56980382
H	-4.38370508	-0.51801241	0.45675586
H	-3.86138172	-0.17751525	-1.21643938
C	-1.94353853	-1.22660825	1.33031333
H	-0.92340869	-0.97921934	1.66830958
H	-2.62695349	-0.99171283	2.17355751
H	-2.00216855	-2.30459885	1.11804431
N	-2.27029944	-0.44192913	0.13793134
Li	-0.62741060	0.19325383	-0.63806245

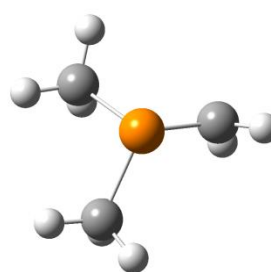
PMe₃ (C_{3v}, N_{imag} = 0)



C	0.81940911	1.41925821	-0.27986807
H	0.76345838	1.32234870	-1.37499631
H	1.87476674	1.47430023	0.02022316
H	0.33939808	2.36074574	0.02022316
C	0.81940911	-1.41925821	-0.27986807
H	0.76345838	-1.32234870	-1.37499631
H	0.33939808	-2.36074574	0.02022316
H	1.87476674	-1.47430023	0.02022316
C	-1.63881822	0.00000000	-0.27986807
H	-2.21416482	0.88644551	0.02022316
H	-2.21416482	-0.88644551	0.02022316
H	-1.52691676	0.00000000	-1.37499631

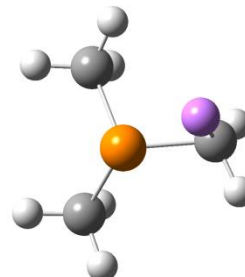
P 0.00000000 0.00000000 0.60422539

PMe₂CH₂ anion (C₁, N_{imag} = 0)



C	-0.58390151	4.74536270	-1.52114995
H	0.11189725	4.58438739	-2.36583715
H	-1.38481481	3.98719236	-1.57376356
H	-1.02801135	5.74514242	-1.62978325
C	0.88402429	2.84974474	-0.12041117
H	1.52136626	2.56922868	0.73162987
H	0.02661865	2.15060011	-0.16292496
H	1.47978400	2.74079052	-1.04630190
C	1.68401356	5.75565972	-0.11070951
H	2.40956654	5.56213879	-0.92000754
H	2.12748805	6.15841979	0.80800562
P	0.33432241	4.67986588	0.13334635

PMe₂CH₂Li (C₁, N_{imag} = 0)



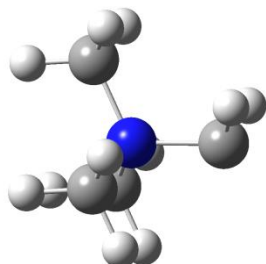
C	-1.86970106	1.21739506	0.31533331
H	-2.23082014	1.83070347	-0.53623714
H	-2.25479494	1.64766683	1.25149554
C	-4.11340982	-0.82545666	-0.15445433
H	-4.31424455	-1.90295576	-0.25575644
H	-4.65258330	-0.43431520	0.72204797
H	-4.48684986	-0.31873970	-1.05389657
C	-1.97165707	-1.30535166	1.64874983
H	-0.92208011	-1.16689268	1.94131904
H	-2.60945239	-0.85625573	2.42630044
H	-2.17946005	-2.38275594	1.59665188
Li	-0.28264319	0.60608743	-0.70462716
P	-2.27572355	-0.50517557	0.00229496

b) Possibility of Stevens rearrangement of the lithiomethyl trimethylammonium cation/
trimethylammonium methylene via a radical mechanism

A) Optimised geometries

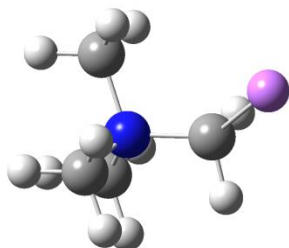
1) Gaussian: M06/aug-cc-pVTZ

NMe_3CH_2 (C_s , $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



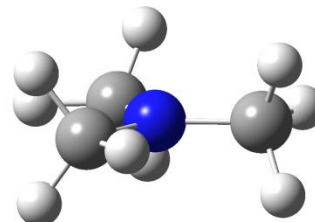
C	-2.019069858603	4.233309529960	-1.500400708821
H	-2.413069861132	5.245708021829	-1.484039369540
H	-2.337442576541	3.664654707726	-0.624030670796
H	-0.932566618741	4.277618803187	-1.542485177215
C	-3.979719587209	3.540647149265	-2.700780600252
H	-4.328748453320	3.077808678772	-3.621749169346
H	-4.321133576996	2.963852258980	-1.838517252982
H	-4.338616814643	4.565446821932	-2.662928086519
C	-1.987085413469	2.188901750034	-2.774202571435
H	-0.901092925652	2.235573387985	-2.802360057723
H	-2.316949577136	1.613046217311	-1.903127043874
H	-2.348428425232	1.724255717023	-3.688470618167
N	-2.504699345782	3.583171838203	-2.733297873131
C	-2.091078403767	4.463214485356	-3.916705086914
H	-2.435594198016	3.898247004866	-4.795162550550
H	-0.992673047942	4.408005165329	-3.911754612763

$\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}$ cation (C_1 , $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



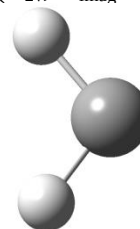
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H	-2.328656686108	5.250490262285	-1.631500064200
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H	-2.406640077234	1.637993252882	-3.717017106564
N	-2.435294493525	3.556123411500	-2.827822084455
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NMe_3 radical cation (C_1 , $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



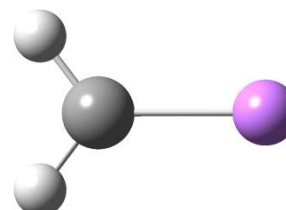
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CH_2 radical anion (C_{2v} , $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



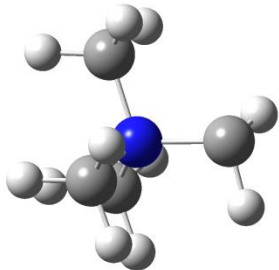
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CH_2Li radical (C_1 , $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



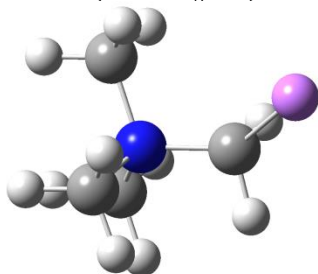
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H	0.781443264897	-2.660749649411	-1.234772396794
Li	-0.135724000021	-0.151219663129	-0.722486747431

2) Gaussian: M05-2X/6-311+G**
 NMe_3CH_2 (C_s , $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



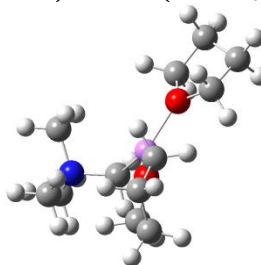
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H	-2.348567874364	1.723556111371	-3.687510844057
N	-2.503418425854	3.582333221950	-2.734906161802
C	-2.089548224752	4.455481958709	-3.914742470527
H	-2.436757622900	3.897417590396	-4.793077511837
H	-0.993596539562	4.407260514977	-3.909522678325

$\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}$ cation (C_s , $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



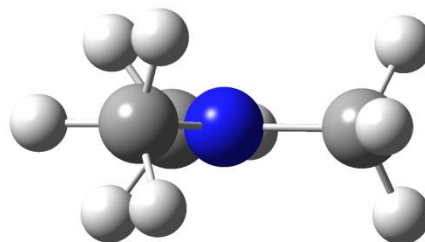
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H	-2.295054768190	1.660370248977	-1.933702325042
H	-2.409417055087	1.637362852063	-3.713232225039
N	-2.436960941163	3.556339776476	-2.827447336184
Li	0.100396846171	4.529659046028	-1.141857006462

$\text{NMe}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Li}(\text{THF})_2$ cation (C_1 , $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



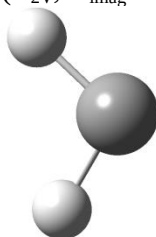
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H	2.494965631094	1.961665705926	-0.217720108823
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C	0.858908312697	4.016861411662	0.832580954960
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H	0.411485929139	4.993530871806	0.999753944108
H	1.569151057782	3.816327749814	1.635261205897
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NMe_3 radical cation (C_1 , $N_{\text{imag}} = 0$)



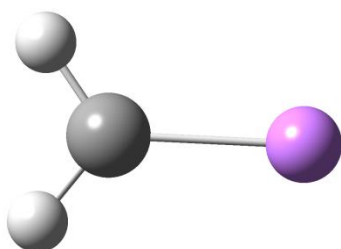
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H	-0.715858449430	-1.895900450126	1.283968830367
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CH₂ radical anion (C_{2v}, N_{imag} = 0)



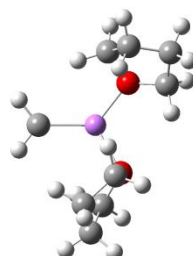
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H	0.873034458932	1.062829856668	1.626833244953

CH₂Li radical (C₁, N_{imag} = 0)



C	0.974112938751	-1.589065171347	-1.339031464369
H	1.929690661778	-1.501838027693	-1.866082896078
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Li	-0.140092936956	-0.148228455014	-0.724955818740

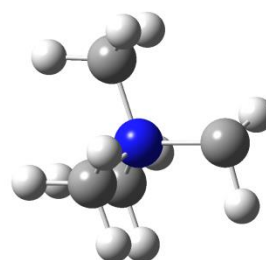
CH₂Li(THF)₂ radical (C₁, N_{imag} = 0)



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H	1.127522531796	-1.954345895080	-0.743040557183
Li	-0.444461147845	0.320779303526	-1.317477990588
O	-2.279739806283	-0.178834801920	-1.079239509269
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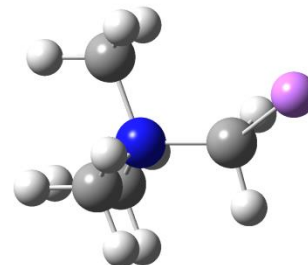
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H	-1.439243426060	-1.836136385189	-0.224845686715
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O	-0.244269341519	2.188060801147	-0.797004196371
C	1.022369117189	2.708400841466	-1.276339883516
C	-0.244333709194	2.165043823556	0.648594337431
C	1.738955179809	3.245615520720	-0.043606494562
H	1.573751418119	1.879824186022	-1.722479532546
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C	1.212767591977	2.317714412005	1.053006139192
H	-0.858427359901	2.995016247100	1.005470360464
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H	1.443382999195	4.277203319618	0.153779673086
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H	1.324600754763	2.726208620937	2.055480411512
H	1.700194501829	1.344724077907	0.993617442321

3) Gaussian: MP2/aug-cc-pVTZ
NMe₃CH₂ (C_s, N_{imag} = 0)



C	-2.017464182175	4.235618825103	-1.499574604205
H	-2.421496695309	5.242600366145	-1.484362641172
H	-2.332425564659	3.659653160522	-0.628683413657
H	-0.932632081686	4.283703372577	-1.549250506173
C	-3.982017885219	3.541577240266	-2.702344648423
H	-4.326069432364	3.084862825096	-3.626834227097
H	-4.316651999145	2.958661552538	-1.843497807708
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C	-1.986476290018	2.185869303780	-2.773447657329
H	-0.901783924277	2.236229267655	-2.800313304195
H	-2.321150183322	1.620040172833	-1.900301715391
H	-2.350178087489	1.724537589821	-3.687072016380
N	-2.502887560504	3.584393955908	-2.736962372431
C	-2.092139197663	4.455660316727	-3.910613403985
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H	-0.994141087690	4.406324901155	-3.909225854935

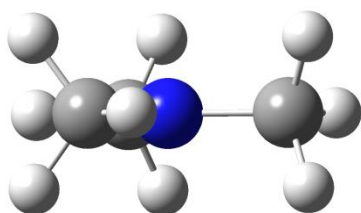
NMe₃CH₂Li cation (C_s, N_{imag} = 0)



C	-1.978153150195	4.239049331945	-4.065278005182
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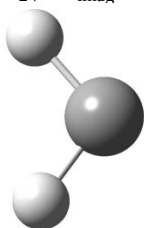
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H	-2.331723465167	5.247855408652	-1.635617550506
H	-2.331658645425	3.742805910374	-0.766646495322
C	-3.930332885572	3.565820456985	-2.810915492758
H	-4.310808337547	3.055790604648	-3.694253903707
H	-4.262684145916	3.060023457015	-1.908950524629
H	-4.262750462255	4.599822451143	-2.797984910694
C	-1.978062878072	2.143021000636	-2.855093255219
H	-0.894395612236	2.133335110563	-2.922406320677
H	-2.299077811118	1.659958632905	-1.936124805927
H	-2.413438960359	1.639191971719	-3.715591873820
N	-2.436042506316	3.556153386281	-2.827770230716
Li	0.118710310987	4.544070485604	-1.116897897986

NMe₃ radical cation (C₁, N_{imag} = 0)



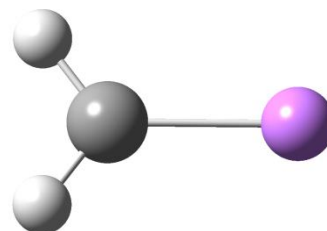
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H	-0.716856290123	-1.893754236016	-1.279712894821
H	-0.627676949463	-0.294761094017	-2.082352887688
H	0.809478746050	-1.001664843478	-1.279966818375
C	-1.367149331385	0.971112087276	0.002017278906
H	-2.305414333500	0.824536099970	-0.537825878107
H	-1.555815952435	1.294192935217	1.019892925562
H	-0.779057127401	1.716587598430	-0.538048779067
C	-0.275091801224	-0.897128429549	1.247332744598
H	0.264078566788	-1.819701773459	1.062403194559
H	0.339703713659	-0.197077406379	1.817606623885
H	-1.186637931470	-1.089150162682	1.817832128208
N	-0.639802034728	-0.273424325485	-0.000017710223

CH₂ radical anion (C_{2v}, N_{imag} = 0)



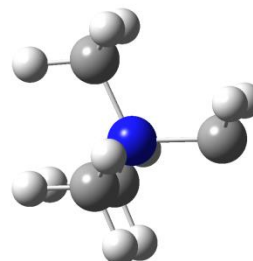
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H	-0.872664860218	1.063483250821	1.626590684346
H	0.872992645630	1.062844257287	1.626835224799

CH₂Li radical (C_{2v}, N_{imag} = 0)



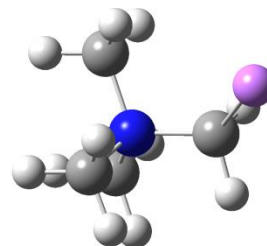
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H	1.930839434970	-1.506826950426	-1.868914490946
H	0.783230018745	-2.664129942138	-1.235767634775
Li	-0.145309251119	-0.138799468591	-0.717158349565

4) Gaussian: M05-2X/6-311+G**/SMD(THF)
NMe₃CH₂ (IOp(2/15=3), N_{imag} = 0)



C	-2.020150685507	4.240483154420	-1.496147114863
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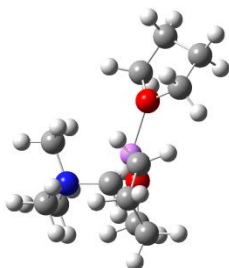
NMe₃CH₂Li cation (IOp(2/15=3), N_{imag} = 0)



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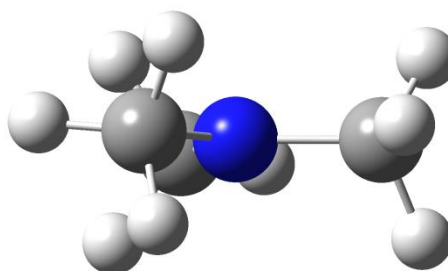
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H	-2.376971154356	1.655237237568	-3.709126261202
N	-2.448465671683	3.562778199057	-2.812562069137
Li	0.150563313865	4.463559527767	-1.353468862274

NMe₃CH₂Li(THF)₂ cation (IOP(2/15=3), N_{imag} = 0)



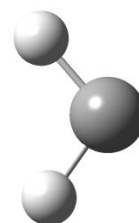
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H	3.624851404647	-3.698643869589	-0.031381291460
H	2.322045486812	-3.926734514828	-1.232457185986
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H	1.663528116948	3.699988184596	1.574669339189
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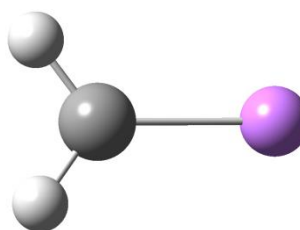
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H	-0.829341753972	-1.845203974832	1.300140072493
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CH₂ radical anion (IOP(2/15=3), N_{imag} = 0)



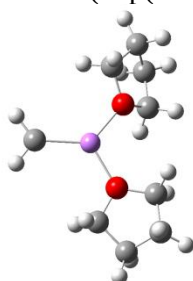
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CH₂Li radical (IOP(2/15=3), N_{imag} = 0)



C	0.982096698278	-1.599304021271	-1.341139559431
H	1.940741734225	-1.520897830927	-1.873026714431
H	0.796011828984	-2.677955583086	-1.241327631106
Li	-0.175006261487	-0.102129564717	-0.706299095031

CH₂Li(THF)₂ radical (IOp(2/15=3), N_{imag} = 0)



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H	1.991380229077	-1.405787848758	-1.959199974341
H	0.697231606303	-2.534842023252	-1.677410492953
Li	-0.256568240002	0.017385534071	-0.843563814171
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O	0.192932538836	1.845748299549	-0.492510906297
C	1.356314519374	2.434077399188	-1.130002636129
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H	-0.889580497138	3.156249996456	0.689849202875
H	-0.277087240947	1.702268572210	1.514078283178
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