## **Supporting Information**

## Preparation of one dimensional Group 14 metal sulfides:

## **Different roles of metal-amino complexes**

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Spectrum: Acquisition

El AN	I Series	unn. C [wt.%]	norm. C [wt.%]	Atom. C [at.%]	Error [%]
C 6	K-series	17.58	17.79	26.52	3.1
N 7	K-series	45.28	45.82	58.59	9.5
S 16	K-series	16.51	16.71	9.33	0.6
Mn 29	K-series	8.72	8.82	2.88	0.3
Ge 32	K-series	10.74	10.87	2.68	0.6

Fig.S1 The energy dispersive X-ray analysis (EDS) of compound 1.







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Spectrum: Acquisition

El	AN	Serie <i>s</i>	unn. C [wt.%]	norm. C [wt.%]	Atom. C [at.%]	Error [%]
C N S Mn Sn	6 7 16 25 50	K-series K-series K-series K-series L-series	13.84 3.15 22.97 14.60 36.83	15.14 3.45 25.14 15.97 40.30	43.15 8.43 26.84 9.95 11.62	3.2 5.8 0.9 0.5 1.2

Fig.S3 The energy dispersive X-ray analysis (EDS) of compound 2.







Fig. S5 Another possible structure of compound 1. Green, Ge; pink, Mn; yellow, S; red, O; dark blue, N; blue grey, C. The disorders of Mn2 and C2 in [Mn(en)<sub>2</sub>]<sup>2+</sup> are not shown for clarity. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity. Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: # 1 x-1, y, z; # 2 x, -y+3/2, z; # 3 -x+1, -y+1, -z; # 4 x+1, y, z.



Fig. S6 XRD patterns for 1: (top) taken at room temperature; (bottom) calculated on the basis of the structure determined by single-crystal X-ray diffraction.



Fig. S7 XRD patterns for 2: (top) taken at room temperature; (bottom) calculated on the basis of



the structure determined by single-crystal X-ray diffraction.

Fig. S9 TG curve for compound 2.

compound 1			
Mn(1)-S(3)	2.447(1)	Mn(1)-S(4)	2.454(1)
Mn(1)-S(4)#2	2.454 (1)	Mn(1)-S(5)#1	2.446(1)
Mn(2)-N(1)	2.192(4)	Mn(2)-N(2)	2.180(2)
Mn(2)-N(1)#3	2.272(4)	Mn(2)-N(2)#3	2.218(2)
Mn(2)-S(4)	2.537(2)	Mn(3)-N(3)	2.258(2)
Mn(3)-N(4)	2.211(2)	Mn(3)-N(3)#2	2.258(2)
Mn(3)-N(4)#2	2.211(2)	Mn(3)-O(1)	2.185(5)
Ge(1)-S(2)	2.245(1)	Ge(1)-S(3)	2.186(1)
Ge(1)-S(5)	2.198(1)	Ge(1)-S(2)#2	2.245(1)
Ge(2)-S(1)	2.247(1)	Ge(2)-S(2)	2.265(1)
Ge(2)-S(4)	2.201(1)	Ge(2)-S(6)	2.131(1)
S(3)-Mn(1)-S(4)	109.35(3)	S(3)-Mn(1)-S(4)#2	109.35(3)
S(3)-Mn(1)-S(5)#1	101.64(5)	S(4)-Mn(1)-S(4)#2	111.05(5)
S(4)-Mn(1)-S(5)#1	112.50(3)	S(4)#2-Mn(1)-S(5)#1	112.50(3)
N(1)-Mn(2)-N(1)#3	157.07(7)	N(2)-Mn(2)-N(2)#3	156.65(6)
S(4)-Mn(2)-S(4)#3	179.66(5)	N(1)-Mn(2)-N(2)	97.10(12)
N(1)-Mn(2)-N(2)#3	80.41(12)	N(2)-Mn(2)-N(1)#3	79.47(12)
N(1)#3-Mn(2)-N(2)#3	93.76(12)	O(1)-Mn(3)-N(3)	97.80(9)
O(1)-Mn(3)-N(4)	100.19(9)	O(1)-Mn(3)-N(3)#2	97.80(9)
O(1)-Mn(3)-N(4)#2	100.19(9)	N(3)-Mn(3)-N(4)	79.30(6)
N(3)-Mn(3)-N(3)#2	99.57(10)	N(4)-Mn(3)-N(4)#2	96.18(10)
N(3)#2-Mn(3)-N(4)#2	79.30(6)	S(2)-Ge(1)-S(3)	113.77(3)
S(2)-Ge(1)-S(5)	105.07(3)	S(3)-Ge(1)-S(5)	110.86(5)
S(3)-Ge(1)-S(2)#2	113.77(3)	S(5)-Ge(1)-S(2)#2	105.07(3)
S(1)-Ge(2)-S(2)	108.28(4)	S(1)-Ge(2)-S(4)	110.73(4)
S(1)-Ge(2)-S(6)	104.21(4)	S(2)-Ge(2)-S(4)	111.04(4)
S(2)-Ge(2)-S(6)	107.35(4)	S(4)-Ge(2)-S(6)	114.82(4)
<u>S(2)-Ge(1)-S(2)#2</u>	107.58(5)		

**Table S1.** Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) in compounds  $1^{a,b}$  and  $2^{c}$ .

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compound 2					
Mn(1)-N(1)	2.256(9)	Mn(1)-N(2)	2.295(9)		
Mn(1)-N(3)	2.282(10)	Mn(1)-N(4)	2.269(10)		
Mn(1)-S(2)	2.578(3)	Mn(1)-S(2)#2	2.589(3)		
Sn(1)-S(1)	2.317(3)	Sn(1)-S(2)	2.356(2)		
Sn(1)-S(3)	2.446(3)	Sn(1)-S(3)#1	2.454(3)		
N(1)-Mn(1)-N(4)	165.80(32)	N(2)-Mn(1)-S(2)	174.47(25)		
N(3)-Mn(1)-S(2)#2	174.85(26)	N(2)-Mn(1)-N(3)	92.26(36)		
N(2)-Mn(1)-S(2)#2	87.97(23)	N(3)-Mn(1)-S(2)	93.17(30)		
S(2)-Mn(1)-S(2)#2	86.53(9)	S(1)-Sn(1)-S(2)	115.12(10)		
S(1)-Sn(1)-S(3)	112.65(10)	S(1)-Sn(1)-S(3)#1	115.97(10)		
S(2)-Sn(1)-S(3)	112.77(9)	S(2)-Sn(1)-S(3)#1	104.54(9)		
S(3)-Sn(1)-S(3)#1	93.70(8)				

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<sup>a</sup> Estimated standard deviations are given in parentheses. <sup>b</sup>Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 x-1, y, z; #2 x, -y+3/2, z; #3 -x+1, -y+1, -z; #4 x+1, y, z. <sup>c</sup>Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 -x+1, -y+2, -z; #2 -x+1, -y+2, -z+1.

 Table S2. Selected hydrogen bond distances (Å) and angles (°) in compounds 1 and 2.

compound 1					
D-H	А	d(H···A)	d(D···A)	<(DHA)	
O1—H1E	S4	2.79	3.510(4)	143	
01—H1F	S1	2.75	3.591(5)	165	
N4—H4C	S6	2.72	3.549(2)	153	
N4—H4D	S3	2.69	3.555(2)	162	
compound 2					
N(1)—H(1A)	S(3)	2.76	3.5756	151	
N(2)—H(2A)	S(1)	2.60	3.4927	170	
N(3) - H(3A)	S(1)	2.74	3.6225	166	