## **Electronic Supplementary Information**

Can a small amount of crystal solvent be overlooked or have no structural effect? Isomorphous non-stoichiometric hydrates (*pseudo*-polymorphs): Salicylaldehyde thiosemicarbazone with no to 0.20 H<sub>2</sub>O

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Figure S1 Compound  $1.0.17H_2O$  (50% thermal ellipsoids) with the identical atom numbering scheme to GEXKID01. This figure is displayed here again for correspondence with Table S1

**Table S1** Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (°) in  $1 \cdot x H_2 O$ 

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Refcode	GEXKID <sup><i>a</i></sup>	GEXKID01	$1.0.095H_2O$	$1.0.17H_2O$	$1.0.20H_2O$
S-C1	1.689(4)	1.690(4)	1.6896(19)	1.6961(15)	1.6931(19)
O1–C8	1.356(3)	1.3584(8)	1.357(2)	1.3580(19)	1.356(3)
N1-C2	1.276(3)	1.2928(6)	1.282(2)	1.2825(19)	1.281(2)
N1-N2	1.380(4)	1.3688(5)	1.382(2)	1.3757(17)	1.378(2)
N2-C1	1.346(4)	1.3489(6)	1.344(2)	1.344(2)	1.340(3)
N3-C1	1.317(4)	1.3326(8)	1.319(3)	1.321(2)	1.317(3)
C2-N1-N2	116.2(2)	115.92(4)	115.87(15)	115.67(12)	115.81(15)
C1-N2-N1	120.9(2)	120.88(6)	121.00(16)	121.26(12)	121.35(16)
N3-C1-N2	118.6(2)	118.57(6)	118.49(17)	118.81(14)	118.65(18)
N3-C1-S	122.2(2)	122.46(6)	122.52(16)	122.29(12)	122.35(16)
N2-C1-S	119.2(2)	118.96(6)	118.98(15)	118.90(11)	118.99(15)
N1-C2-C3	122.6(3)	121.94(6)	122.18(16)	122.23(13)	122.37(16)

<sup>*a*</sup> The different atomic numbering scheme in the publication of GEXKID has been adjusted accordingly.

Highlighted in yellow are the refinement parameters which provide the clearest indication of missed electron density.										
Compound	1.0.095H <sub>2</sub> O	<mark>without</mark> 0.095 H₂O	1.0.17H <sub>2</sub> O	without 0.17 H <sub>2</sub> O	1.0.20H <sub>2</sub> O	without 0.20 H <sub>2</sub> O				
Empirical formula	$C_8H_{9.19}N_3O_{1.10}S$	C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>9</sub> N <sub>3</sub> OS	$C_8H_{9.34}N_3O_{1.17}S$	C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>9</sub> N <sub>3</sub> OS	$C_8H_{9.40}N_3O_{1.20}S$	C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>9</sub> N <sub>3</sub> OS				
$M/g \text{ mol}^{-1}$	196.95	195.24	198.31	195.24	198.89	195.24				
Crystal size/mm	0.31 x 0.11 x 0.04		0.45 x 0.35 x 0.30		0.43 x 0.10 x 0.08					
2 $\theta$ range/°	4.32 - 53.2		4.34 - 53.2		4.32 - 53.2					
completeness to $2\theta$ /%	99.8		99.8		99.9					
h; k; l range	$\pm 17; -16, 17; \pm 13$		±17; ±17; ±13		±17; ±18; ±13					
Temperature/K	203(2)		100(2)		203(2)					
Crystal system	monoclinic		monoclinic		monoclinic					
Space group	C 2/c		C 2/c		C 2/c					
a/Å	13.9737(4)		13.7595(6)		13.8383(16)					
b/Å	14.2331(4)		14.2594(6)		14.3405(17)					
c/Å	10.4655(2)		10.4876(4)		10.5113(12)					
$\beta / ^{\circ}$	115.781(2)		115.3670(10)		114.986(4)					
$V/Å^3$	1874.29(8)		1859.29(13)		1890.7(4)					
Ζ	8		8		8					
$D_{calc}$ /g cm <sup>-3</sup>	1.396		1.417		1.397					
F (000)	824		830		832					
$\mu$ /mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.309		0.313		0.308					
Max/min transmiss.	0.9884/0.9089		0.9120/0.8721		0.9755/0.8795					
Refl. collected $(R_{int})$	10068 (0.0372)	10058	9341 (0.0179)	9335	13981 (0.0393)	13964				
Indep. reflections	1968	1965	1952	1951	1991	1989				
Obs. refl. $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$	1495	1492	1762	1761	1617	1615				
Parameters refined	139	130	139	130	139	130				
Max./min. $\Delta \rho / e \text{ Å}^{-3 a}$	0.320/0.457	<mark>1.950</mark> /0.504	0.388/-0.428	<mark>4.454</mark> /0.458	0.479/-0.452	<mark>4.296</mark> /0.428				
$R_1/wR_2 [I > 2\sigma(I)]^b$	0.0391/0.0932	0.0579/ <mark>0.1671</mark>	0.0341/0.0857	0.0852/ <mark>0.2407</mark>	0.0434/0.1109	0.0989/ <mark>0.2954</mark>				
$R_1/wR_2$ (all reflect.) <sup>b</sup>	0.0568/0.1028	0.0755/ <mark>0.1826</mark>	0.0385/0.0888	0.0903/ <mark>0.2466</mark>	0.0556/0.1198	0.1123/ <mark>0.3132</mark>				
Goodness-of-fit on $F^{2 c}$	1.058	1.087	1.066	1.077	1.039	1.103				
Weight. scheme w; $a/b^{d}$	0.0416/1.4139	0.1011/2.0469	0.0389/1.6872	0.1474/ <mark>7.3901</mark>	0.0521/2.0580	0.1985/ <mark>5.7392</mark>				

Table S2 Results of structure refinement with and without crystal water for  $1 x H_2 O$ .

Parameters which are not given are identical to the crystal-water containing refinement. <sup>*a*</sup> Largest difference peak and hole.  $-{}^{b}R_{1} = [\Sigma(||F_{o}| - |F_{c}||)/\Sigma |F_{o}|]; wR_{2} = [\Sigma [w(F_{o}^{2} - F_{c}^{2})^{2}]/\Sigma [w(F_{o}^{2})^{2}]]^{1/2}. -{}^{c}$  Goodness-of-fit =  $[\Sigma [w(F_{o}^{2} - F_{c}^{2})^{2}]/(n - p)]^{1/2}. -{}^{d}w = 1/[\sigma^{2}(F_{o}^{2}) + (aP)^{2} + bP]$  where  $P = (\max(F_{o}^{2} \text{ or } 0) + 2F_{c}^{2})/3.$ 

Powder X-ray diffraction patterns were measured at ambient temperature using a STOE STADI-P with Debye-Scherrer geometry, Mo-K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 0.7093$  Å), a Ge(111) monochromator and the samples in glass capillaries on a rotating probe head. Simulated powder patterns were based on single-crystal data and calculated using the STOE WinXPOW software package.<sup>1</sup>

It was difficult to fill the 0.3 mm capillary with the wet sample.

Some drying and mechanical grinding were unavoidable which affected the crystallinity and probably also the microstructure.

<sup>(1)</sup> STOE WinXPOW Version 1.10; STOE& Cie GmbH, Darmstadt, Germany, 2002.



**Fig. S2** X-ray powder diffractogram. The lower purple curve is simulated from single-crystal X-ray data of  $1.0.20H_2O$ . The upper blue curve is measured on a crystal sample of  $1.0.20H_2O$ .

## Analytical information and data

IR spectra were recorded in KBr disks with a Matson 1000 FT-IR spectrophotometer in the range of  $4000-450 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were obtained on a Bruker spectrometer at 250 MHz in [D<sub>6</sub>]DMSO.

Crystals of samples  $1.0.095H_2O$  and  $1.0.17H_2O$  were filtered off, washed with methanol and air dried (yield 0.165 g, 51% based on 2-hydroxybenzaldehyde).

Crystals of sample 1.0.20 were filtered off, washed with water and air dried (yield 0.21 g, 65% based on 2-hydroxybenzaldehyde).

All samples gave identical analytical data when dried: M.p. 227 °C. IR (KBr): 3446 (s, OH), 3315 (s, NH), 3177 (s, NH), 3031 (m), 2992 (m), 1615 (vs, C=N), 1538 (vs, C=S) 1492 (m), 1469 (m), 1369 (m), 1285 (vs), 1208 (m), 1154 (w), 1115 (w), 838 (m), 761 (m), 708 (w), 631 (m), 477 (w) cm<sup>-1</sup>. – UV/Vis (in EtOH,  $c = 0.50 \times 10^{-3}$  mol/l, light yellow solution,  $\lambda_{max}$  [nm] with  $\varepsilon$  [l·mol<sup>-1</sup>·cm<sup>-1</sup>]): 226 (900), 305 (1532), 332 (1832). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR ([D<sub>6</sub>]DMSO):  $\delta = 11.35$  (N*H*), 9.86 (O*H*), 8.34 (C*H*=N), 8.07 (N*H*<sub>2</sub>), 7.89-6.75 (4 H; aryl hydrogens). The peaks at 11.35, 9.87 and 8.07 ppm disappeared upon adition of D<sub>2</sub>O. – <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR ([D<sub>6</sub>]DMSO):  $\delta = 178.08$ , 156.82, 140.07, 131.52, 127.19, 120.76, 119.70, 116.45. – C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>9</sub>N<sub>3</sub>OS (dried sample) (195.24) calc. C 49.21, H 4.65, N 21.52, S 16.42; found C 48.74, H 4.59, N 21.17, S 16.36%.