

Ionothermal synthesis and characterization of two cluster chalcogenides: [Cr₇S₈Cl₂(NH₃)_{14.5}(H₂O)_{1.5}]Cl₃·H₂O and [Emim]₂[Sn₂As₂S₄(S₂)₂Br_{2.43}Cl_{1.56}]

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Supporting Information

1. Synthesis

All chemicals were commercially purchased and used without further purification. The ionic liquids [Bmmim]Cl, [Bmmim][BF₄] and [Emim]Br were purchased from Lanzhou Greenchem ILS (LICP, CAS, China). The other chemicals were purchased from the Chinese vendors such as Sinopharm Chemical Reagent Co. Ltd.

Compound **1** was obtained from an ionothermal reaction. A mixture of CrCl₃·6H₂O powder (AR, 0.136 g, 0.510 mmol), S powder (CP, 0.098 g, 3.062 mmol), [Bmmim]Cl (>99%, 1.130 g, 5.988 mmol), urea (AR, 0.121 g, 2.015 mmol) and NH₂NH₂·H₂O (85%, 0.5 mL, 8.5 mmol) were sealed in a stainless steel reactor with a 28 mL Teflon liner and kept at 160 °C for 6 days, and then was cooled to room temperature. Black sheet-like crystals were obtained by washed with ethanol and air-dried. The crystals were selected by hand (stable in the air) in 43% yield (0.035 g) based on CrCl₃·6H₂O. Elemental analysis of **1**: calcd (%): H 4.49, N 18.64; found: H 4.50, N 18.91. The [Bmmim]Cl was necessary for obtaining **1**, though it did not enter the final structure of **1**. Replacing it with 4 mL NH₂NH₂·H₂O (25~28%) resulted in indefinite black powders, whereas replacing it with [Bmmim][BF₄] (>99%) resulted in (NH₄)₃CrF₆ (Figure S1).¹

Compound **2** was obtained from a mixture of Sn powder (>99.5%, 0.078 g, 0.65 mmol), S powder (CP, 0.064 g, 2.00 mmol), [Emim]Br (>99%, 1.32 g, 6.91 mmol),

As₂S₂ powder (CP, 0.130 g, 0.61 mmol), AlCl₃ powder (AR, 0.131g, 0.98 mmol), EuCl₃·6H₂O powder (>99%, 0.177 g, 0.48 mmol) and thiourea powder (AR, 0.058 g, 0.76 mmol) were sealed in a stainless steel reactor with a 28 mL Teflon liner and kept at 160 °C for 8 days, and then was cooled to room temperature. Red block-like crystals were obtained by washed with ethanol and air-dried. The crystals were selected by hand (stable in the air) in 33% yield (0.093 g) based on As₂S₂. Elemental analysis calcd (%) of **2**: C 12.92, H 1.99, N 5.02; found: C 12.90, H 2.01, N 5.01. EuCl₃·6H₂O and AlCl₃ might form the binary EuCl₃-AlCl₃ lewis acid,² and Br⁻ is lewis base. When the lewis acid is excessive, the ionic liquid system is acidic which is in favour of the synthesis and crystallization of cationic cluster chalcogenides.^{3, 4} When the ionic liquid containing Br⁻ or Cl⁻ anion is excessive, the system is alkaline which is in favour of the synthesis and crystallization of anionic cluster chalcogenide of **2**.

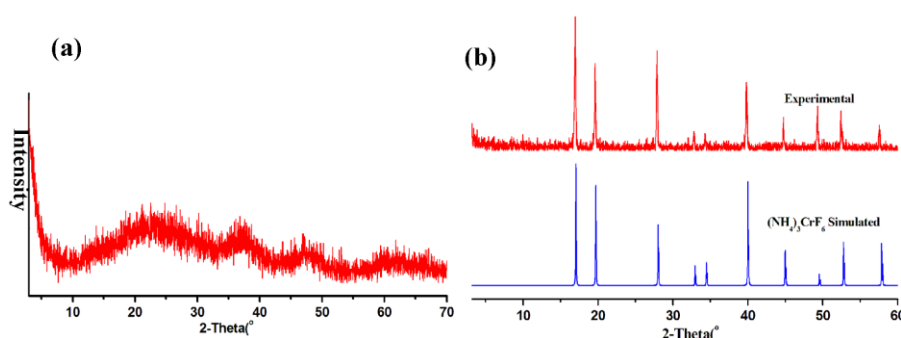


Figure S1. The PXRD patterns of the products obtained by replacing the [Bmmim]Cl with NH₂NH₂·H₂O (25~28%) (a) and [Bmmim][BF₄] (b), respectively, in the synthesis of **1**.

2. Crystal Structure

The intensity data were collected on an Oxford Xcalibur Eos CCD diffractometer with graphite-monochromated MoK α radiation ($\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$) at room temperature. The data were corrected for Lorentz and Polarization effects as well as for absorption. The structure was solved by direct methods and refined by full-matrix least-squares cycles in SHELX-97.⁵ The selected bond geometries and hydrogen bonds data are listed in Table S1–S4. The empirical formulae were confirmed by element analyses (EA) results and energy-dispersive X-ray spectroscopy (EDS).

In the asymmetric unit of **1** there are three and half of crystallographically independent Cr^{3+} ions, four S^{2-} , one Cl^- anions, 1.5 H_2O , 7.25 NH_3 as ligands and 1.5 Cl^- as counterions and 0.5 lattice water molecule. The $\text{Cr}(1)^{3+}$ ion are surrounded by six $\mu_3\text{-S}^{2-}$ anions, and the $\text{Cr}(3)^{3+}$ ion are surrounded by three $\mu_3\text{-S}^{2-}$ anions and three terminal NH_3 molecules. While the $\text{Cr}(2)^{3+}$ and $\text{Cr}(4)^{3+}$ ions coordinate to three $\mu_3\text{-S}^{2-}$ anions, two terminal NH_3 and one terminal $\text{Cl}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (NH_3/Cl for $\text{Cr}(4)$). The occupancy ratios of $\text{Cl1B}/\text{O1}$ and $\text{Cl1}/\text{N1B}$ were refined to be 0.25/0.75 and 0.75/0.25, respectively. There is one crystallographically independent Sn^{4+} ion, one As^{3+} ion, four S atom, 1.22 Br^- , 0.78 Cl^- and one Emim^+ cation in the asymmetric unit of **2**. The occupancy ratios of terminal atoms $\text{Br1}/\text{Cl1}$ and $\text{Br2}/\text{Cl2}$ were refined to be 0.556(2)/0.440 and 0.661(2)/0.340, respectively.

CCDC-923296 and 923287 contains the supplementary crystallographic data of the crystal **1** of **2**. The data can be obtained free of charge at www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/conts/retrieving.html or from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre, 12, Union Road, Cambridge CB2 1EZ, UK.

Table S1. Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for compound **1**.

Cr(1)-S(1)	2.4002(8)	Cr(3)-N(4)	2.115(2)
Cr(1)-S(1)#1	2.4002(8)	Cr(3)-N(3)	2.1241(19)
Cr(1)-S(3)#1	2.4132(8)	Cr(3)-S(1)	2.3578(7)
Cr(1)-S(3)	2.4132(8)	Cr(3)-S(4)#1	2.3608(8)
Cr(1)-S(4)	2.4266(6)	Cr(3)-S(2)	2.3962(8)
Cr(1)-S(4)#1	2.4266(6)	Cr(4)-N(1B)	2.102(18)
Cr(2)-N(1)	2.123(2)	Cr(4)-N(7)	2.134(2)
Cr(2)-N(2)	2.146(2)	Cr(4)-N(6)	2.142(2)
Cr(2)-O(1)	2.155(5)	Cr(4)-S(1)	2.3518(8)
Cr(2)-S(4)#1	2.3558(8)	Cr(4)-S(3)	2.3687(8)
Cr(2)-S(3)	2.3600(7)	Cr(4)-S(2)	2.3803(7)
Cr(2)-S(2)	2.3713(8)	Cr(4)-Cl(1)	2.4708(14)
Cr(2)-Cl(1B)	2.483(5)	S(4)-Cr(2)#1	2.3558(8)
Cr(3)-N(5)	2.107(2)	S(4)-Cr(3)#1	2.3608(8)
S(1)-Cr(1)-S(1)#1	91.39(4)	N(5)-Cr(3)-S(4)#1	177.98(7)
S(1)-Cr(1)-S(3)#1	178.47(3)	N(4)-Cr(3)-S(4)#1	90.09(7)
S(1)#1-Cr(1)-S(3)#1	87.25(2)	N(3)-Cr(3)-S(4)#1	91.93(6)
S(1)-Cr(1)-S(3)	87.25(2)	S(1)-Cr(3)-S(4)#1	91.42(3)

S(1)#1-Cr(1)-S(3)	178.47(3)	N(5)-Cr(3)-S(2)	92.78(7)
S(3)#1-Cr(1)-S(3)	94.11(4)	N(4)-Cr(3)-S(2)	178.79(7)
S(1)-Cr(1)-S(4)	91.58(2)	N(3)-Cr(3)-S(2)	94.10(7)
S(1)#1-Cr(1)-S(4)	88.81(2)	S(1)-Cr(3)-S(2)	89.56(3)
S(3)#1-Cr(1)-S(4)	87.67(2)	S(4)#1-Cr(3)-S(2)	88.94(3)
S(3)-Cr(1)-S(4)	91.94(2)	N(1B)-Cr(4)-N(7)	80.3(4)
S(1)-Cr(1)-S(4)#1	88.81(2)	N(1B)-Cr(4)-N(6)	77.3(5)
S(1)#1-Cr(1)-S(4)#1	91.58(2)	N(7)-Cr(4)-N(6)	85.23(9)
S(3)#1-Cr(1)-S(4)#1	91.94(2)	N(1B)-Cr(4)-S(1)	100.5(5)
S(3)-Cr(1)-S(4)#1	87.67(2)	N(7)-Cr(4)-S(1)	90.13(7)
S(4)-Cr(1)-S(4)#1	179.44(4)	N(6)-Cr(4)-S(1)	175.15(6)
N(1)-Cr(2)-N(2)	84.88(10)	N(1B)-Cr(4)-S(3)	165.8(4)
N(1)-Cr(2)-O(1)	86.23(15)	N(7)-Cr(4)-S(3)	89.63(7)
N(2)-Cr(2)-O(1)	85.35(18)	N(6)-Cr(4)-S(3)	91.94(8)
N(1)-Cr(2)-S(4)#1	90.42(7)	S(1)-Cr(4)-S(3)	89.42(3)
N(2)-Cr(2)-S(4)#1	175.28(7)	N(1B)-Cr(4)-S(2)	101.5(4)
O(1)-Cr(2)-S(4)#1	93.94(17)	N(7)-Cr(4)-S(2)	178.07(8)
N(1)-Cr(2)-S(3)	90.79(7)	N(6)-Cr(4)-S(2)	94.59(6)
N(2)-Cr(2)-S(3)	89.88(6)	S(1)-Cr(4)-S(2)	90.09(3)
O(1)-Cr(2)-S(3)	174.58(16)	S(3)-Cr(4)-S(2)	88.45(3)
S(4)#1-Cr(2)-S(3)	90.60(3)	N(1B)-Cr(4)-Cl(1)	16.9(3)
N(1)-Cr(2)-S(2)	179.66(7)	N(7)-Cr(4)-Cl(1)	93.64(8)
N(2)-Cr(2)-S(2)	95.04(7)	N(6)-Cr(4)-Cl(1)	88.59(8)
O(1)-Cr(2)-S(2)	94.10(14)	S(1)-Cr(4)-Cl(1)	90.31(4)
S(4)#1-Cr(2)-S(2)	89.66(3)	S(3)-Cr(4)-Cl(1)	176.71(4)
S(3)-Cr(2)-S(2)	88.87(3)	S(2)-Cr(4)-Cl(1)	88.27(4)
N(1)-Cr(2)-Cl(1B)	98.67(14)	Cr(4)-S(1)-Cr(3)	90.97(3)
N(2)-Cr(2)-Cl(1B)	90.90(14)	Cr(4)-S(1)-Cr(1)	92.02(3)
O(1)-Cr(2)-Cl(1B)	13.2(2)	Cr(3)-S(1)-Cr(1)	90.20(3)
S(4)#1-Cr(2)-Cl(1B)	89.38(13)	Cr(2)-S(2)-Cr(4)	91.05(3)
S(3)-Cr(2)-Cl(1B)	170.54(13)	Cr(2)-S(2)-Cr(3)	90.07(3)
S(2)-Cr(2)-Cl(1B)	81.66(13)	Cr(4)-S(2)-Cr(3)	89.36(3)
N(5)-Cr(3)-N(4)	88.17(10)	Cr(2)-S(3)-Cr(4)	91.62(3)
N(5)-Cr(3)-N(3)	86.88(8)	Cr(2)-S(3)-Cr(1)	90.95(3)
N(4)-Cr(3)-N(3)	85.21(9)	Cr(4)-S(3)-Cr(1)	91.29(3)
N(5)-Cr(3)-S(1)	89.66(6)	Cr(2)#1-S(4)-Cr(3)#1	91.31(3)
N(4)-Cr(3)-S(1)	91.19(6)	Cr(2)#1-S(4)-Cr(1)	90.72(3)
N(3)-Cr(3)-S(1)	175.08(7)	Cr(3)#1-S(4)-Cr(1)	89.49(3)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 -x+1, y, -z+1/2

Table 2. Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for compound **2**.

Sn(1)-Cl(1)	2.394(14)	S(2)-Sn(1)#1	2.6340(10)
Sn(1)-Cl(2)	2.473(15)	S(4)-As(1)#1	2.2128(13)

Sn(1)-S(4)	2.4904(12)	N(1)-C(3)	1.287(7)
Sn(1)-S(1)	2.4944(12)	N(1)-C(1)	1.356(7)
Sn(1)-Br(2)	2.591(3)	N(1)-C(4)	1.464(6)
Sn(1)-Br(1)	2.604(4)	N(2)-C(2)	1.301(11)
Sn(1)-S(2)#1	2.6340(10)	N(2)-C(3)	1.302(9)
Sn(1)-S(2)	2.6434(10)	N(2)-C(5B)	1.524(10)
As(1)-S(1)	2.2098(13)	N(2)-C(5)	1.536(11)
As(1)-S(4)#1	2.2128(13)	C(1)-C(2)	1.328(10)
As(1)-S(3)	2.2732(13)	C(5)-C(6)	1.510(9)
S(2)-S(3)	2.0346(16)	C(5B)-C(6B)	1.501(9)
Cl(1)-Sn(1)-Cl(2)	87.0(6)	Br(1)-Sn(1)-S(2)	89.15(14)
Cl(1)-Sn(1)-S(4)	90.9(4)	S(2)#1-Sn(1)-S(2)	87.36(3)
Cl(2)-Sn(1)-S(4)	99.3(4)	S(1)-As(1)-S(4)#1	106.28(5)
Cl(1)-Sn(1)-S(1)	94.6(4)	S(1)-As(1)-S(3)	99.27(5)
Cl(2)-Sn(1)-S(1)	84.6(4)	S(4)#1-As(1)-S(3)	100.30(5)
S(4)-Sn(1)-S(1)	173.44(4)	As(1)-S(1)-Sn(1)	111.23(5)
Cl(1)-Sn(1)-Br(2)	93.3(5)	S(3)-S(2)-Sn(1)#1	107.71(5)
Cl(2)-Sn(1)-Br(2)	7.3(3)	S(3)-S(2)-Sn(1)	106.18(5)
S(4)-Sn(1)-Br(2)	95.62(7)	Sn(1)#1-S(2)-Sn(1)	92.64(3)
S(1)-Sn(1)-Br(2)	87.70(7)	S(2)-S(3)-As(1)	103.18(6)
Cl(1)-Sn(1)-Br(1)	3.4(6)	As(1)#1-S(4)-Sn(1)	110.16(5)
Cl(2)-Sn(1)-Br(1)	88.5(3)	C(3)-N(1)-C(1)	108.1(6)
S(4)-Sn(1)-Br(1)	87.69(13)	C(3)-N(1)-C(4)	126.9(6)
S(1)-Sn(1)-Br(1)	97.70(13)	C(1)-N(1)-C(4)	125.0(5)
Br(2)-Sn(1)-Br(1)	94.66(15)	C(2)-N(2)-C(3)	107.2(7)
Cl(1)-Sn(1)-S(2)#1	177.0(5)	C(2)-N(2)-C(5B)	105.0(9)
Cl(2)-Sn(1)-S(2)#1	95.1(3)	C(3)-N(2)-C(5B)	147.7(9)
S(4)-Sn(1)-S(2)#1	90.97(4)	C(2)-N(2)-C(5)	144.3(10)
S(1)-Sn(1)-S(2)#1	83.43(4)	C(3)-N(2)-C(5)	108.5(9)
Br(2)-Sn(1)-S(2)#1	88.86(6)	C(5B)-N(2)-C(5)	39.4(8)
Br(1)-Sn(1)-S(2)#1	176.34(14)	C(2)-C(1)-N(1)	104.8(7)
Cl(1)-Sn(1)-S(2)	90.4(5)	N(2)-C(2)-C(1)	109.9(8)
Cl(2)-Sn(1)-S(2)	174.1(3)	N(1)-C(3)-N(2)	109.9(7)
S(4)-Sn(1)-S(2)	86.00(4)	C(6)-C(5)-N(2)	111.4(10)
S(1)-Sn(1)-S(2)	90.33(4)	C(6B)-C(5B)-N(2)	94.6(8)
Br(2)-Sn(1)-S(2)	175.92(7)		

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 -x+1,-y+1,-z+1.

Table S3 Selected hydrogen bond data for compound **1**.

D-H...A	<i>d</i> (D-H) (Å)	<i>d</i> (H...A) (Å)	<i>d</i> (D...A) (Å)	D-H...A (°)
O(1)-H(1D)...Cl(2)#2	0.82	2.78	3.542(6)	154.8
N(1B)-H(1G)...O(2)#3	0.89	2.18	3.069(18)	173.1

O(2)-H(2D)...S(1)#2	0.82	3.01	3.831(11)	179.2
O(2)-H(2E)...N(2)	0.82	2.51	3.258(10)	152.8
N(1)-H(1A)...Cl(3)	0.89	2.70	3.461(4)	143.6
N(1)-H(1A)...Cl(3)#1	0.89	2.89	3.627(4)	141.2
N(1)-H(1B)...Cl(2)#2	0.89	2.81	3.667(2)	162.1
N(1)-H(1C)...Cl(1)#4	0.89	2.93	3.654(3)	140.2
N(2)-H(2A)...O(2)	0.89	2.42	3.258(10)	157.3
N(2)-H(2A)...Cl(3)	0.89	2.82	3.632(4)	152.0
N(2)-H(2B)...Cl(2)#5	0.89	2.68	3.526(3)	158.3
N(2)-H(2C)...Cl(2)#2	0.89	2.57	3.419(2)	160.8
N(4)-H(4A)...Cl(2)	0.89	2.94	3.720(2)	147.0
N(4)-H(4B)...S(1)#1	0.89	2.71	3.376(2)	132.6
N(4)-H(4B)...Cl(3)#6	0.89	2.92	3.614(4)	135.8
N(4)-H(4C)...Cl(2)#7	0.89	2.67	3.521(2)	160.1
N(5)-H(5A)...Cl(2)	0.89	2.53	3.416(2)	171.4
N(5)-H(5B)...S(2)#5	0.89	2.78	3.448(2)	133.3
N(5)-H(5B)...Cl(1B)#5	0.89	2.80	3.517(6)	138.9
N(5)-H(5B)...Cl(1)	0.89	2.96	3.358(3)	109.4
N(5)-H(5C)...O(2)#8	0.89	2.63	3.360(11)	139.9
N(5)-H(5C)...Cl(3)#8	0.89	2.92	3.624(4)	137.0
N(3)-H(6A)...Cl(2)#7	0.89	2.82	3.598(2)	147.0
N(3)-H(6B)...Cl(1)#5	0.89	2.77	3.537(2)	144.8
N(3)-H(6B)...Cl(1B)	0.89	2.80	3.353(6)	121.4
N(3)-H(6C)...Cl(2)	0.89	2.62	3.491(2)	165.0
N(7)-H(7A)...Cl(1)#9	0.89	2.77	3.643(3)	166.8
N(7)-H(7B)...S(4)	0.89	2.82	3.473(3)	131.5
N(7)-H(7C)...O(2)#3	0.89	2.52	3.305(10)	147.9
N(7)-H(7C)...Cl(3)#3	0.89	2.96	3.727(5)	145.0
N(6)-H(8A)...Cl(1)#9	0.89	2.91	3.753(3)	158.4
N(6)-H(8B)...O(2)#3	0.89	2.64	3.424(11)	148.0
N(6)-H(8B)...Cl(3)#3	0.89	2.66	3.503(4)	158.4
N(6)-H(8C)...Cl(2)#5	0.89	2.72	3.563(2)	158.6

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 $-x+1, y, -z+1/2$; #2 $x, y+1, z$; #3 $-x+1/2, y-1/2, -z+1/2$; #4 $x+1/2, y+1/2, z$; #5 $-x+1/2, -y+1/2, -z$; #6 $-x+1, y-1, -z+1/2$; #7 $-x+1, -y, -z$; #8 $x, y-1, z$; #9 $-x+1/2, y+1/2, -z+1/2$.

Table S4. Selected hydrogen bond data for compound 2.

D-H...A	$d(\text{D-H})$ (Å)	$d(\text{H...A})$ (Å)	$d(\text{D...A})$ (Å)	D-H...A (°)
C(1)-H(1A)...Cl(2)#2	0.93	2.83	3.673(16)	151.8
C(1)-H(1A)...Br(2)#2	0.93	3.08	3.906(8)	148.7
C(3)-H(3A)...Cl(1)#3	0.93	2.85	3.62(2)	140.0
C(3)-H(3A)...Br(1)#3	0.93	2.96	3.728(9)	140.9
C(2)-H(2A)...S(3)#4	0.93	2.98	3.908(8)	172.9
C(6)-H(6C)...S(3)#1	0.96	2.92	3.735(14)	142.9

C(6)-H(6B)...S(4)#5	0.96	3.01	3.844(13)	146.5
C(6B)-H(6D)...S(4)#6	0.96	2.86	3.482(11)	123.2
C(6B)-H(6E)...S(3)#1	0.96	3.02	3.882(19)	150.0

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 $-x+1,-y+1,-z+1$; #2 $-x+1,y-1/2,-z+3/2$; #3 $x-1/2,y,-z+3/2$; #4 $x-1/2,-y+1/2,-z+1$; #5 $-x+1/2,y-1/2,z$; #6 $x-1/2,-y+3/2,-z+1$.

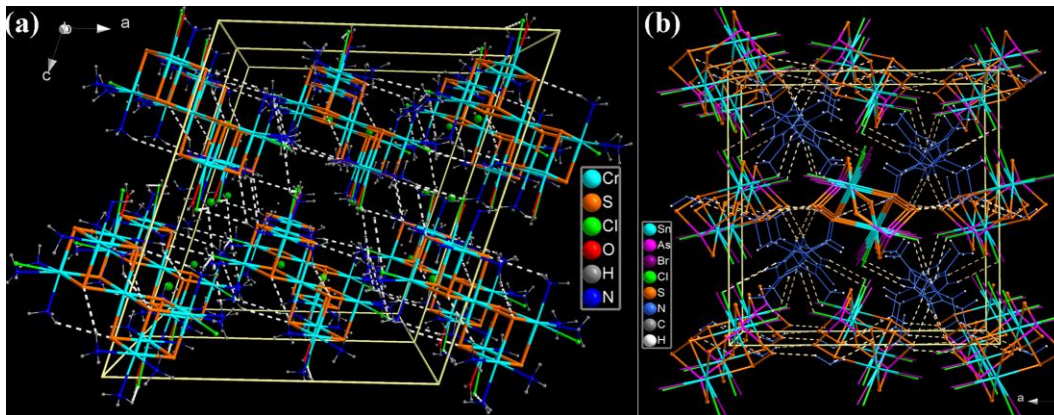


Figure S2. The H-bond networks in **1** (a) and **2** (b).

3. Physical measurements

All chemicals were used as purchased without further purification. Microprobe elemental analyses were performed by using a field-emission scanning electron microscope (FESEM, JSM6700F) equipped with an energy-dispersive X-ray spectroscope (EDS, Oxford INCA), whereas element analyses of C, H and N were performed on a German Elementar Vario EL III instrument. The infrared spectrum was taken on a Magna 750 FTIR spectrometer with sample as KBr pellet in the range of 4000–450 cm^{-1} . Powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD) pattern was recorded on a Miniflex II diffractometer at 30 kV and 15 mA using $\text{Cu } K\alpha$ (1.54178 Å), with a scan speed of 0.15°/min at room temperature. The simulated PXRD pattern from single crystal data was produced using the PowderCell program. Thermoanalysis (TG) was carried out with a NETZSCH STA449F3 unit, at a heating rate of 5 °C/min under a nitrogen atmosphere. Optical diffuse reflectance spectrum was measured at room temperature with a Perkin-Elmer Lambda 900 UV/Vis spectrophotometer by using BaSO_4 powder as 100% reflectance and the room-temperature optical absorption spectrum of the title compound was obtained from diffuse reflectance experiment^{6,7}. The variable-temperature magnetic susceptibilities (2~230k) were measured with a Quantum Design PPMS 6000 magnetometer under an applied field of 5000 Oe with the crystalline powder samples kept in a capsule for weighing.

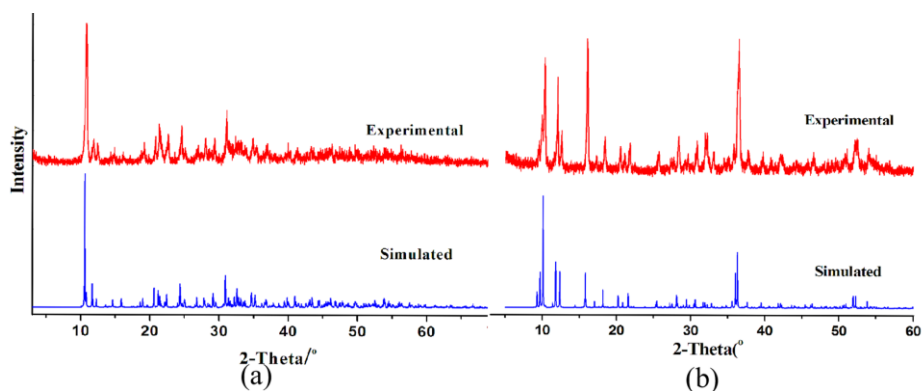


Figure S3. The PXRD patterns (red) are in good agreement with the simulated PXRD patterns (blue) for crystal structures of compounds **1** (b) and **2** (a).

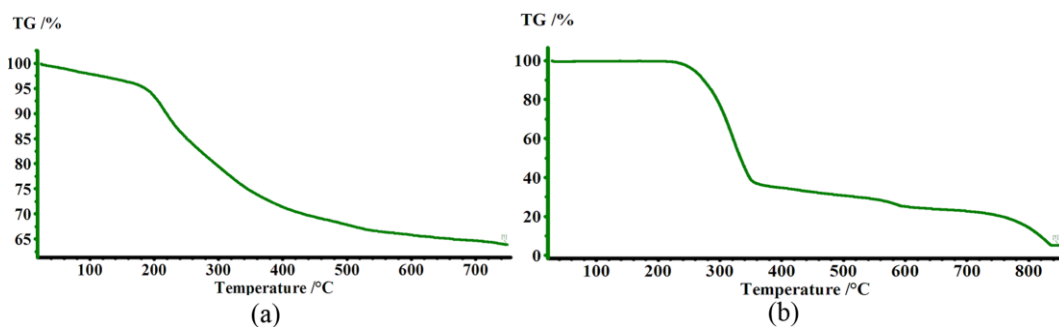


Figure S4. The TG curves for compound **1** (a) and **2** (b).

The phase purity of **1** and **2** were confirmed PXRD (Figure S3). Thermal stabilities of **1** and **2** were studied by thermogravimetric analyses (TGA) on pure crystalline samples (9.252 mg for **1** and 5.733 mg for **2**) in a NETZSCH STA449F3 unit and the TG curves are depicted in Figure S4. The TG curve of **1** indicates a weight loss of 4.14% from 25°C to 171°C, attributed to the removal of 2.5 H₂O molecules per formula, consistent with the theoretical weight loss of 4.13%. Then **1** continues to lose a total weight of 31.57% from 171 to 730 °C, attributed to the removal of NH₃, segmental S and Cl. Compound **2** was stable up to 200 °C, and then it decomposed with a weight loss of 94.56% from 200 to 840°C (Figure S7).

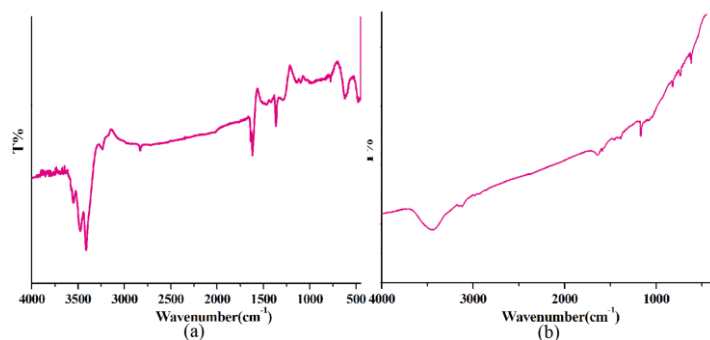


Figure S5 IR spectra of compound **1** (a) and **2** (b).

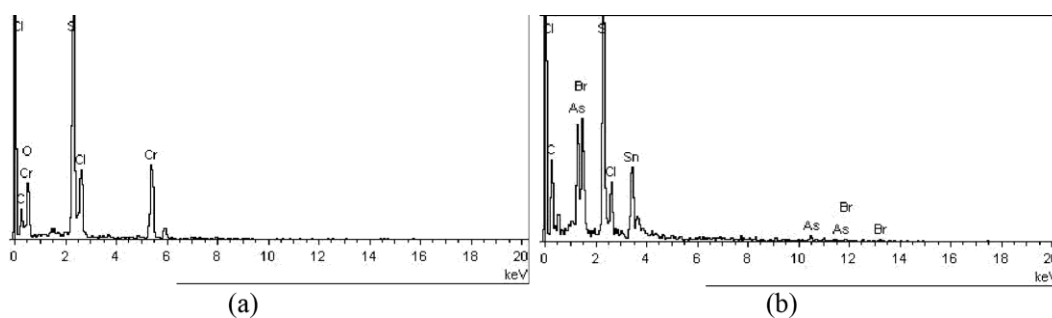


Figure S6 The EDS of compounds **1** (a) and **2** (b).

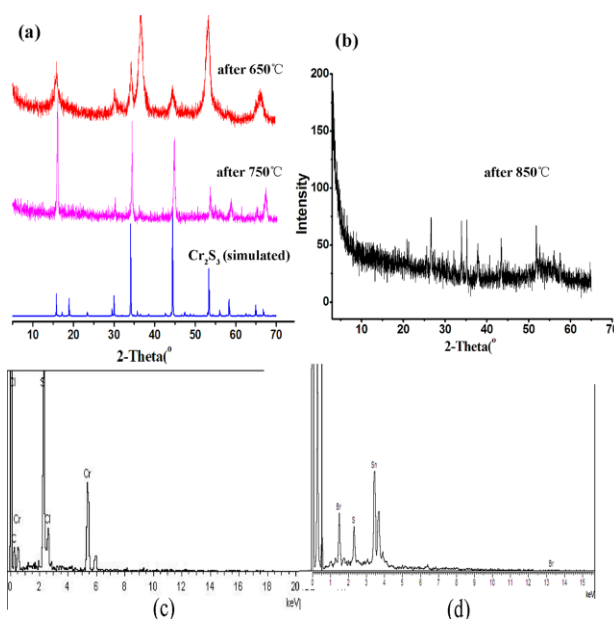


Figure S7 The PXRD patterns of the residues of **1** (a) and **2** (b) after TG. The residue of **1** after 750°C is comparable with that simulated from the single crystal X-ray data of Cr_2S_3 (blue). The EDS of the residue of **1** (c) after 750°C and **2** (d) after 850°C.

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