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## **Supplementary Information**

 $[Ge_2S_6]^{4-}$   $[Co(dien)_2]^{2+}$   $[dienH_2]^{2+}$ 

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**Figure S1.** Part of the crystal structure of compound **1** with labeling and displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level.

Ge(1)-S(1)	2.1521(10)	Ge(11)-S(11)	2.1556(9)
Ge(1)-S(2)	2.1559(9)	Ge(11)-S(12)	2.1568(9)
Ge(1)-S(4)	2.2658(9)	Ge(11)-S(13)	2.2697(9)
Ge(1)-S(3)	2.2862(9)	Ge(11)-S(14)	2.2762(8)
Ge(2)-S(6)	2,1569(9)	Ge(12)-S(15)	2,1554(9)
Ge(2)-S(5)	2 1643(9)	Ge(12)-S(16)	2 1576(9)
Ge(2)-S(4)	2.2701(9)	Ge(12)- $S(14)$	2.2740(9)
Ge(2)- $S(3)$	2.2701(9)	Ge(12) - S(13)	2.2718(9) 2.2858(9)
S(1)-Ge(1)-S(2)	11667(4)	S(11)-Ge(11)-S(12)	11438(4)
S(1)-Ge(1)-S(4)	112.55(4)	S(11)- $Ge(11)$ - $S(12)$	11270(4)
S(2)-Ge(1)-S(4)	112.33(1) 112.73(4)	S(12)-Ge(11)-S(13)	112.76(1) 113.56(3)
S(1)-Ge(1)-S(3)	$107\ 70(4)$	S(12) Ge(11) S(13) S(11)-Ge(11)-S(14)	108.97(4)
S(2)-Ge(1)-S(3)	107.70(1) 111 17(4)	S(12)-Ge(11)-S(14)	100.97(1) 111 71(4)
S(4)- $Ge(1)$ - $S(3)$	9350(3)	S(12)-Ge(11)-S(14) S(13)-Ge(11)-S(14)	93.60(3)
S(4)-Ge(2)-S(5)	115.92(4)	S(15)-Ge(12)-S(16)	115.66(4)
S(6) - G(2) - S(3)	113.72(+) 111.47(4)	S(15) - Ge(12) - S(10) S(15) - Ge(12) - S(14)	113.00(4) 114.01(4)
$S(5) G_{e}(2) S(4)$	111.47(4) 111.80(4)	S(15) - Oc(12) - S(14) $S(16) G_{e}(12) S(14)$	114.01(4) 111.14(4)
S(5)-O(2)-S(4) $S(6) G_{2}(2) S(3)$	111.00(4) 110.80(4)	S(10) - Gc(12) - S(14) S(15) Go(12) S(13)	111.14(4) 111.04(4)
S(0) - Oe(2) - S(3) S(5) - Go(2) - S(3)	110.09(4) 110.80(2)	S(15)-Ge(12)-S(15) S(16) Go(12) S(13)	111.04(4) 100.50(4)
S(3)-Oe(2)-S(3) $S(4) = C_{2}(2) = S(3)$	110.09(3) 02 75(2)	S(10)-Ge(12)-S(13) S(14) Go(12) S(13)	109.30(4) 02.22(2)
S(4)-G(2)-S(3) $G_2(2)-S(3)-G_2(1)$	95.75(5)	S(14)-Ge(12)-S(13) $G_2(11), S(12), G_2(12)$	95.23(3) 86.44(3)
$G_{2}(1) S(4) G_{2}(2)$	80.09(3)	$G_{2}(12) S(14) G_{2}(11)$	80.44(3)
$C_{2}(1) - S(4) - Ge(2)$	00.03(3)	$G_{2}(12) - S(14) - G_{2}(11)$	00.37(3)
$C_0(1) - N(2)$	2.139(3) 2.167(2)	$C_0(1) - N(13)$	2.108(3) 2.172(2)
$C_0(1) - N(3)$	2.10/(3) 2.169(2)	$C_0(1) - N(1)$	2.173(3) 2.199(2)
V(1) - N(12) $V(2) C_{2}(1) N(2)$	2.100(3)	$V(12) C_{2}(1) N(1)$	2.188(3)
N(2) - Co(1) - N(3)	81.43(11) 170.5((12)	N(12)-CO(1)-N(1) N(12)-Co(1)-N(1)	99.01(12)
N(2) - Co(1) - N(12) N(2) - Co(1) - N(12)	1/9.50(12)	N(13)-CO(1)-N(1)	1/0.78(12)
N(3)-Co(1)-N(12)	98.39(12)	N(2) = Co(1) = N(11)	99.81(12)
N(2)-Co(1)-N(13)	99.1/(11)	N(3)-Co(1)-N(11)	1/5.0/(12)
N(3)-Co(1)-N(13)	88.15(12)	N(12)-Co(1)-N(11)	80.17(13)
N(12)-Co(1)-N(13)	80.40(12)	N(13)-Co(1)-N(11)	95./1(13)
N(2)-Co(1)-N(1)	80.82(11)	N(1)-Co(1)-N(11)	87.45(13)
N(3)-Co(1)-N(1)	88.6/(11)		0 1 41 (0)
Co(2)-N(22)	2.140(3)	Co(3)-N(32)	2.141(3)
Co(2)-N(22)#1	2.140(3)	Co(3)-N(32)#2	2.141(3)
Co(2)-N(21)	2.160(3)	Co(3)-N(31)#2	2.165(3)
Co(2)-N(21)#1	2.160(3)	Co(3)-N(31)	2.165(3)
Co(2)-N(23)#1	2.184(3)	Co(3)-N(33)	2.19/(3)
Co(2)-N(23)	2.184(3)	Co(3)-N(33)#2	2.19/(3)
N(22)-Co(2)-N(22)#1	180.000(1)	N(32)-Co(3)-N(32)#2	180.0
N(22)-Co(2)-N(21)	81.81(11)	N(32)-Co(3)-N(31)#2	98.05(12)
N(22)#1-Co(2)-N(21)	98.19(11)	N(32)#2-Co(3)-N(31)#2	81.95(12)
N(22)-Co(2)-N(21)#1	98.19(11)	N(32)-Co(3)-N(31)	81.95(12)
N(22)#1-Co(2)-N(21)#1	81.81(11)	N(32)#2-Co(3)-N(31)	98.05(12)
N(21)-Co(2)-N(21)#1	180.0	N(31)#2-Co(3)-N(31)	180.00(16)
N(22)-Co(2)-N(23)#1	98.60(11)	N(32)-Co(3)-N(33)	80.64(11)
N(22)#1-Co(2)-N(23)#1	81.40(11)	N(32)#2-Co(3)-N(33)	99.36(11)
N(21)-Co(2)-N(23)#1	89.60(11)	N(31)#2-Co(3)-N(33)	88.91(11)
N(21)#1-Co(2)-N(23)#1	90.40(11)	N(31)-Co(3)-N(33)	91.09(11)
N(22)-Co(2)-N(23)	81.40(11)	N(32)-Co(3)-N(33)#2	99.36(11)
N(22)#1-Co(2)-N(23)	98.60(11)	N(32)#2-Co(3)-N(33)#2	80.64(11)
N(21)-Co(2)-N(23)	90.40(11)	N(31)#2-Co(3)-N(33)#2	91.09(11)
N(21)#1-Co(2)-N(23)	89.60(11)	N(31)-Co(3)-N(33)#2	88.91(11)
N(23)#1-Co(2)-N(23)	180.00(17)	N(33)-Co(3)-N(33)#2	180.00(13)

**Table S1.** Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for compound 1. Symmetrytransformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 - x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1#2 - x + 1, -y, -z + 1

Table S2. Hydrogen bonds with H.A < r(A) + 2.000 Angstroms and  $<DHA > 140^{\circ}$  for compound 1.

D-H d	(D-H) d(	HA) ·	<dha< th=""><th>d(DA)</th><th>Α</th></dha<>	d(DA)	Α
N1-H1N	0.900	2.521	157.28	3.370	S6 [ x+1, y-1, z ]
N1-H2N	0.900	2.489	163.60	3.362	S2 [ -x+1, -y+1, -z ]
N2-H3N	0.910	2.826	144.65	3.606	S4 [ -x, -y+1, -z ]
N3-H4N	0.900	2.660	149.18	3.464	S2 [ -x+1, -y+1, -z ]
N3-H5N	0.900	2.536	148.89	3.339	S1
N11-H7N	0.900	2.855	148.08	3.650	S5 [ -x, -y+1, -z ]
N12-H8N	0.910	2.778	147.06	3.576	S1 [ -x+1, -y+1, -z ]
N12-H8N	0.910	2.943	134.68	3.641	S3 [ -x+1, -y+1, -z ]
N13-H9N	0.900	2.826	165.53	3.704	S5 [ -x, -y+1, -z ]
N13-H10N	0.900	2.775	148.49	3.573	S1
N21-H11N	0.900	2.854	147.29	3.644	S15 [ -x, -y+1, -z+1 ]
N21-H12N	0.900	2.547	147.81	3.343	S11 [ -x+1, -y+1, -z+1 ]
N22-H13N	0.910	2.658	147.23	3.459	S16 [ x+1, y, z ]
N23-H14N	0.900	2.585	168.82	3.473	S11
N23-H15N	0.900	2.876	148.12	3.671	S15 [ -x, -y+1, -z+1 ]
N31-H16N	0.900	2.624	149.93	3.433	S12
N31-H17N	0.900	2.588	159.30	3.444	S16 [ x+1, y, z ]
N32-H18N	0.910	2.643	150.02	3.461	S11 [ -x+1, -y, -z+1 ]
N33-H19N	0.900	2.656	160.52	3.517	S16 [ -x, -y, -z+1 ]
N33-H20N	0.900	2.797	148.11	3.593	S12
N41-H21N	0.890	2.445	159.39	3.293	S6
N41-H22N	0.890	2.641	166.13	3.511	S6 [ -x, -y+2, -z ]
N41-H23N	0.890	2.442	177.65	3.332	S2
N42-H24N	0.900	2.711	158.01	3.562	S15 [ x, y+1, z-1 ]
N43-H25N	0.890	1.995	163.29	2.859	N53_a [ -x, -y+1, -z ]
N43-H25N	0.890	2.107	169.67	2.987	N53'_b [ -x, -y+1, -z ]
N43-H26N	0.890	2.377	165.21	3.246	S16 [ -x, -y+1, -z ]
N43-H27N	0.890	2.380	169.34	3.258	S12 [ -x, -y+1, -z ]
N51-H28N	0.890	2.421	156.32	3.255	S15 [ -x, -y+1, -z+1 ]
N51-H29N	0.890	2.262	172.17	3.146	S11 [ -x, -y+1, -z+1 ]
N51-H30N	0.890	2.558	156.75	3.394	S5
N52-H31N	0.900	2.340	174.69	3.237	85
N52-H32N	0.900	2.296	172.78	3.191	S1
N53'-H33N	0.887	2.572	149.73	3.368	S2 [ -x, -y+1, -z ]
N53'-H35N_	b 0.890	2.538	170.16	3.419	S4 [ -x, -y+1, -z ]



**Figure S2.** Part of the crystal structure of compound **2** with labeling and displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level. Please note: For the uncoordinated amine molecules the C-H H atoms are omitted for clarity.

Ge(1)-S(1)	2.1416(8)	Ge(1)- $S(3)$	2.2762(7)
Ge(1)-S(2)	2.1572(7)	Ge(1)-S(3)#1	2.2783(7)
S(1)-Ge(1)-S(2)	116.37(3)	S(1)-Ge(1)-S(3)#1	112.05(3)
S(1)-Ge(1)-S(3)	112.35(3)	S(2)-Ge(1)-S(3)#1	110.02(3)
S(2)-Ge(1)-S(3)	110.11(3)	S(3)-Ge(1)-S(3)#1	93.68(2)
Co(1)-N(3)	2.153(2)	Co(1)-N(2)	2.163(2)
Co(1)-N(3)#2	2.153(2)	Co(1)-N(1)#2	2.188(2)
Co(1)-N(2)#2	2.163(2)	Co(1)-N(1)	2.188(2)
N(3)-Co(1)-N(3)#2	180.000(1)	N(2)#2-Co(1)-N(1)#2	81.16(9)
N(3)-Co(1)-N(2)#2	99.45(9)	N(2)-Co(1)-N(1)#2	98.84(9)
N(3)#2-Co(1)-N(2)#2	80.55(9)	N(3)-Co(1)-N(1)	90.59(9)
N(3)-Co(1)-N(2)	80.55(9)	N(3)#2-Co(1)-N(1)	89.41(9)
N(3)#2-Co(1)-N(2)	99.45(9)	N(2)#2-Co(1)-N(1)	98.84(9)
N(2)#2-Co(1)-N(2)	180.00(10)	N(2)-Co(1)-N(1)	81.16(9)
N(3)-Co(1)-N(1)#2	89.41(9)	N(1)#2-Co(1)-N(1)	180.0
N(3)#2-Co(1)-N(1)#2	90.59(9)		

**Table S3**. Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for compound 2. Symmetry<br/>transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 - x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 2#2 - x + 1, -y + 1, -z + 1#3 - x + 2, -y, -z + 2

**Table S4**. Hydrogen bonds with H.A < r(A) + 2.000 Angstroms and  $<DHA > 140^{\circ}$  for compound **2**.

D-H	d(D-H) a	l(HA)	<dha< th=""><th>d(DA</th><th>) A</th></dha<>	d(DA	) A
N1-H1N	0.900	2.868	145.76	3.647	S2 [ x-1, y, z ]
N2-H3N	0.910	2.673	145.49	3.461	S3
N3-H4N	0.900	2.458	163.71	3.331	S1 [ -x+1, -y+1, -z+1 ]
N3-H5N	0.900	2.449	175.19	3.347	S2 [ -x+2, -y+1, -z+1 ]
N11-H6N	0.900	2.496	173.39	3.392	S1 [ -x+1, -y+1, -z+2 ]
N11-H7N	0.900	2.430	166.13	3.311	S2
N11-H8N	0.900	2.692	175.56	3.590	S2 [ -x+2, -y+1, -z+2 ]



**Figure S3.** Part of the crystal structure of compound **3** with labeling and displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level.

Ge(1)-S(2)	2.1608(10)	Ge(2)-S(5)	2.1522(10)
Ge(1)-S(1)	2.1621(10)	Ge(2)-S(6)	2.1714(10)
Ge(1)-S(3)	2.2664(10)	Ge(2)-S(4)	2.2797(11)
Ge(1)-S(4)	2.2701(10)	Ge(2)-S(3)	2.2878(11)
S(2)-Ge(1)-S(1)	113.18(4)	S(5)-Ge(2)-S(6)	115.70(4)
S(2)-Ge(1)-S(3)	113.09(4)	S(5)-Ge(2)-S(4)	113.09(4)
S(1)-Ge(1)-S(3)	110.48(4)	S(6)-Ge(2)-S(4)	111.53(4)
S(2)-Ge(1)-S(4)	110.99(4)	S(5)-Ge(2)-S(3)	110.03(4)
S(1)-Ge(1)-S(4)	114.14(4)	S(6)-Ge(2)-S(3)	111.56(4)
S(3)-Ge(1)-S(4)	93.48(4)	S(4)-Ge(2)-S(3)	92.66(4)
Ge(1)-S(3)-Ge(2)	86.86(4)	Ge(1)-S(4)-Ge(2)	86.97(4)
Co(1)-N(3)	2.139(3)	Co(1)-N(1)	2.155(3)
Co(1)-N(11)	2.145(3)	Co(1)-N(12)	2.205(3)
Co(1)-N(13)	2.150(3)	Co(1)-N(2)	2.210(3)
N(3)-Co(1)-N(11)	95.12(13)	N(13)-Co(1)-N(12)	80.31(13)
N(3)-Co(1)-N(13)	94.40(13)	N(1)-Co(1)-N(12)	88.68(12)
N(11)-Co(1)-N(13)	96.22(13)	N(3)-Co(1)-N(2)	80.44(12)
N(3)-Co(1)-N(1)	97.21(13)	N(11)-Co(1)-N(2)	89.68(12)
N(11)-Co(1)-N(1)	162.35(13)	N(13)-Co(1)-N(2)	172.51(13)
N(13)-Co(1)-N(1)	95.37(12)	N(1)-Co(1)-N(2)	80.01(12)
N(3)-Co(1)-N(12)	172.46(13)	N(12)-Co(1)-N(2)	105.32(12)
N(11)-Co(1)-N(12)	80.22(12)		

 Table S5.
 Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for compound 3.

**Table S6**. Hydrogen bonds with H.A < r(A) + 2.000 Angstroms and  $<DHA > 140^{\circ}$  for compound **3**.

D-H	d(D-H)	d(HA)	<dha< td=""><td>d(DA)</td><td>) A</td></dha<>	d(DA)	) A
N1-H1N	0.900	2.699	161.51	3.564	S6 [ x-1/2, y, -z+3/2 ]
N1-H2N	0.900	2.751	141.08	3.498	S2 [ x-1/2, -y+3/2, -z+1 ]
N2-H3N	0.910	2.743	142.36	3.508	S1
N3-H4N	0.900	2.677	142.56	3.436	S2 [ x-1/2, -y+3/2, -z+1 ]
N3-H5N	0.900	2.656	159.02	3.511	S6 [ x, -y+3/2, z-1/2 ]
N11-H6N	0.900	2.753	175.59	3.651	S1
N11-H7N	0.900	) 2.741	142.58	3.498	S5 [ x, -y+3/2, z-1/2 ]
N13-H9N	0.900	) 2.737	151.41	3.554	S5 [ x, -y+3/2, z-1/2 ]
N13-H10N	0.90	0 2.633	155.27	3.471	S1 [ x-1/2, -y+3/2, -z+1 ]
N21-H11N	0.89	0 2.357	168.04	3.233	S5
N21-H12N	0.89	0 2.327	177.77	3.216	S1
N21-H13N	0.89	0 1.917	171.22	2.800	N23 [ x+1/2, y, -z+3/2 ]
N22-H14N	0.90	0 2.240	164.98	3.118	S2 [ -x+1, y-1/2, -z+3/2 ]
N22-H15N	0.90	0 2.340	169.69	3.230	S6 [ -x+1, y-1/2, -z+3/2 ]
N23-H16N	0.89	0 2.585	164.34	3.451	S2 [ -x+1, y-1/2, -z+3/2 ]
N23-H17N	0.89	0 2.577	171.27	3.459	S3 [ -x+1/2, y-1/2, z ]



**Figure S4.** Part of the crystal structure of compound **4** with labeling and displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level.

Ge(1)-S(1)	2.1592(7)	Ge(2)-S(5)	2.1519(7)
Ge(1)-S(2)	2.1604(7)	Ge(2)-S(6)	2.1570(7)
Ge(1)-S(3)	2.2694(6)	Ge(2)-S(3)	2.2822(7)
Ge(1)-S(4)	2.2737(7)	Ge(2)-S(4)	2.2975(7)
S(1)-Ge(1)-S(2)	113.12(3)	S(5)-Ge(2)-S(6)	115.18(3)
S(1)-Ge(1)-S(3)	112.45(3)	S(5)-Ge(2)-S(3)	113.25(3)
S(2)-Ge(1)-S(3)	111.18(3)	S(6)-Ge(2)-S(3)	111.77(3)
S(1)-Ge(1)-S(4)	112.51(3)	S(5)-Ge(2)-S(4)	110.84(3)
S(2)-Ge(1)-S(4)	112.88(3)	S(6)-Ge(2)-S(4)	111.39(3)
S(3)-Ge(1)-S(4)	93.16(2)	S(3)-Ge(2)-S(4)	92.20(2)
Ge(1)-S(3)-Ge(2)	87.55(2)	Ge(1)-S(4)-Ge(2)	87.07(2)
Co(1)-N(12)	2.132(2)	Co(1)-N(3)	2.183(2)
Co(1)-N(2)	2.146(2)	Co(1)-N(13)	2.194(2)
Co(1)-N(11)	2.178(2)	Co(1)-N(1)	2.196(2)
N(12)-Co(1)-N(2)	177.86(9)	N(11)-Co(1)-N(13)	88.62(9)
N(12)-Co(1)-N(11)	81.14(9)	N(3)-Co(1)-N(13)	89.41(9)
N(2)-Co(1)-N(11)	100.99(9)	N(12)-Co(1)-N(1)	100.03(9)
N(12)-Co(1)-N(3)	97.22(9)	N(2)-Co(1)-N(1)	80.19(9)
N(2)-Co(1)-N(3)	80.64(9)	N(11)-Co(1)-N(1)	88.95(9)
N(11)-Co(1)-N(3)	177.62(9)	N(3)-Co(1)-N(1)	93.06(9)
N(12)-Co(1)-N(13)	81.17(10)	N(13)-Co(1)-N(1)	177.09(9)
N(2)-Co(1)-N(13)	98.71(9)		

 Table S7.
 Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for compound4.

**Table S8**. Hydrogen bonds with H..A < r(A) + 2.000 Angstroms and  $<DHA > 140^{\circ}$  forcompound 4.

D-Н d(	D-H) d	(HA)	<dha< th=""><th>d(DA)</th><th>) A</th></dha<>	d(DA)	) A
N1-H1N_a	0.900	2.873	142.14	3.626	S5 [ -x+1, -y+1, z-1/2 ]
N1-H2N_a	0.900	2.822	164.38	3.696	S6 [ -x+1/2, y, z-1/2 ]
N1-H1NA_b	0.900	) 2.72	9 174.29	3.626	5 S5 [ -x+1, -y+1, z-1/2 ]
N2-H3N	0.910	2.550	157.38	3.408	S2
N3-H4N	0.900	2.725	167.66	3.609	S2 [ x+1/2, -y+1, z ]
N3-H5N	0.900	2.891	144.60	3.662	S5 [ -x+1, -y+1, z-1/2 ]
N11-H6N	0.900	2.771	144.04	3.539	S1
N11-H7N	0.900	2.541	157.89	3.392	S6 [ -x+1/2, y, z-1/2 ]
N12-H8N	0.910	2.549	156.77	3.405	S6 [ -x+1, -y+1, z-1/2 ]
N13-H9N	0.900	2.637	144.39	3.409	S2 [ x+1/2, -y+1, z ]
N13-H10N	0.900	2.753	144.09	3.521	S1
N21-H12N	0.900	2.646	155.30	3.484	S1
N22-H13N	0.900	2.275	161.18	3.141	S1
N22-H14N	0.900	2.307	173.34	3.203	S5
N23-H15N	0.890	1.944	168.38	2.822	N21 [ x-1/2, -y, z ]
N23-H16N	0.890	2.327	155.90	3.161	S6 [ x, y-1, z ]
N23-H17N	0.890	2.374	170.16	3.255	S2 [ x, y-1, z ]