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Investigations into the structure, reactivity, and AACVD of aluminium and gallium amidoenoate complexes

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A. Thin film analysis

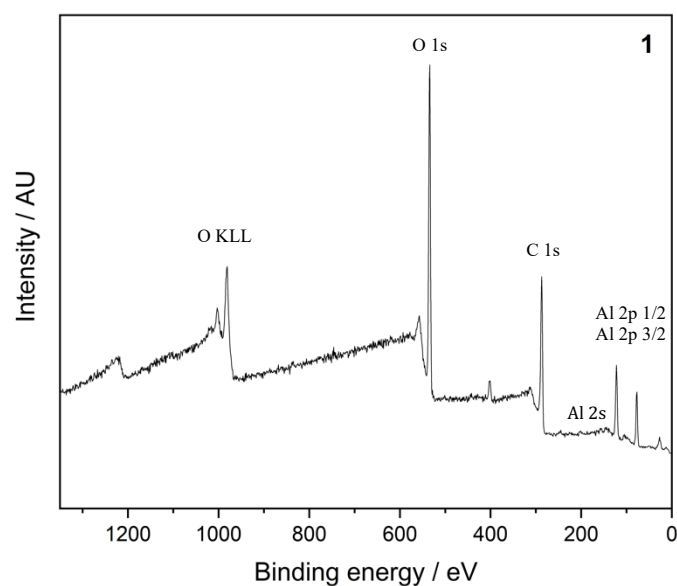


Fig 1: Survey scan of thin film deposited by complex $[\text{AlCl}(\text{AME}^{\text{Dip}})_2]$ (**3-Al**). No Cl present in survey scan (Cl 2p_{3/2} = 200 eV; 2p_{1/2} = 202 eV; Cl 2s = 270 eV).

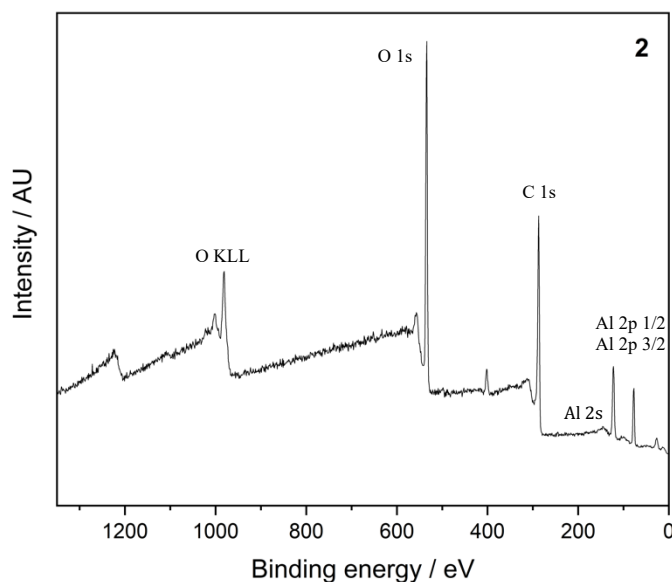


Fig 2: Survey scan of thin film deposited by complex $[\text{AlH}(\text{AME}^{\text{Dip}})_2]$ (**4-Al**). No Cl present in survey scan (Cl 2p_{3/2} = 200 eV; 2p_{1/2} = 202 eV; Cl 2s = 270 eV).

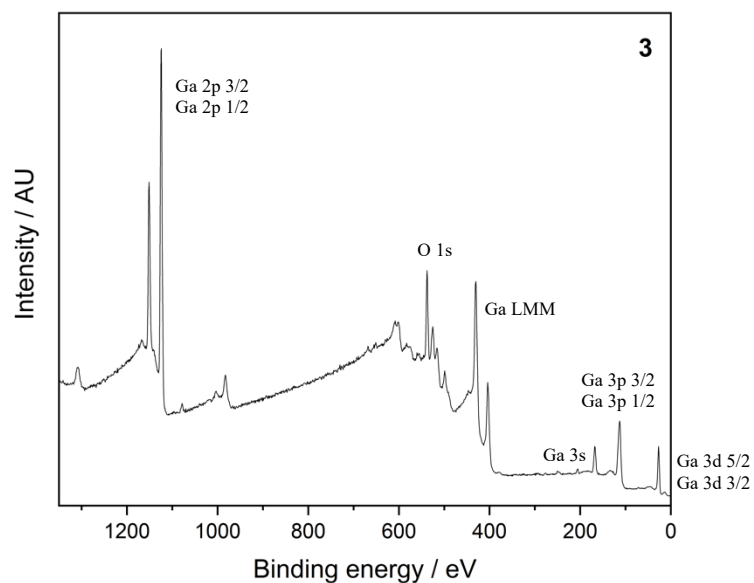


Fig 3: Survey scan of thin film deposited by complex $[\text{GaCl}_2(\text{AME}^{\text{iPr}})]$ (**1-Ga**). No Cl present in survey scan ($\text{Cl } 2p_{3/2} = 200 \text{ eV}$; $2p_{1/2} = 202 \text{ eV}$; $\text{Cl } 2s = 270 \text{ eV}$).

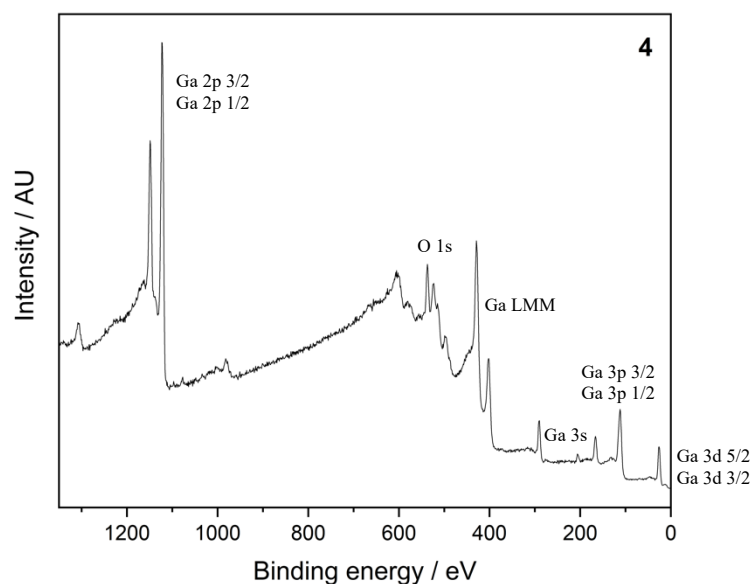


Fig 4: Survey scan of thin film deposited by complex $[\text{GaCl}(\text{AME}^{\text{Dip}})_2]$ (**3-Ga**). No Cl present in survey scan ($\text{Cl } 2p_{3/2} = 200 \text{ eV}$; $2p_{1/2} = 202 \text{ eV}$; $\text{Cl } 2s = 270 \text{ eV}$).

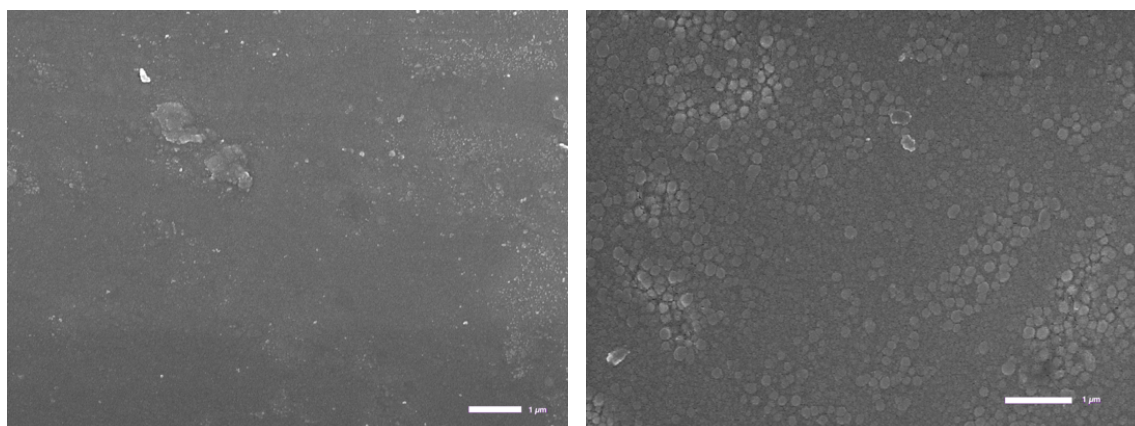


Fig 5. SEM images of Ga_2O_3 on glass (left) and on quartz after annealing treatment (1000°C in air for 12 hours) deposited from $[\text{GaCl}(\text{AMEDip})_2]$, (**3-Ga**). $1\mu\text{m}$ scale bar inset.

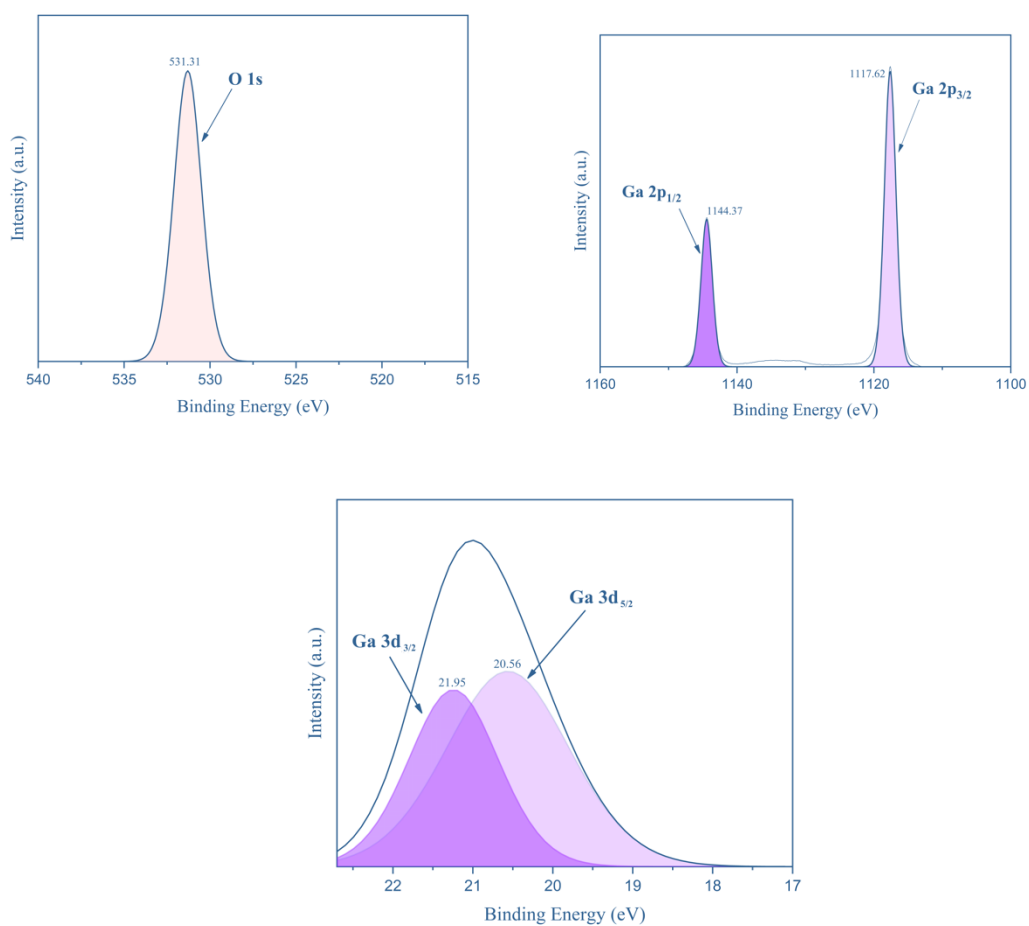


Fig 6. XPS analysis of Ga_2O_3 showing the $\text{Ga } 3d_{5/2}$, $3d_{3/2}$, $2p_{3/2}$ and $2p_{1/2}$ states, including the O 1s state, deposited from $[\text{GaCl}(\text{AMEDip})_2]$, (**3-Ga**).

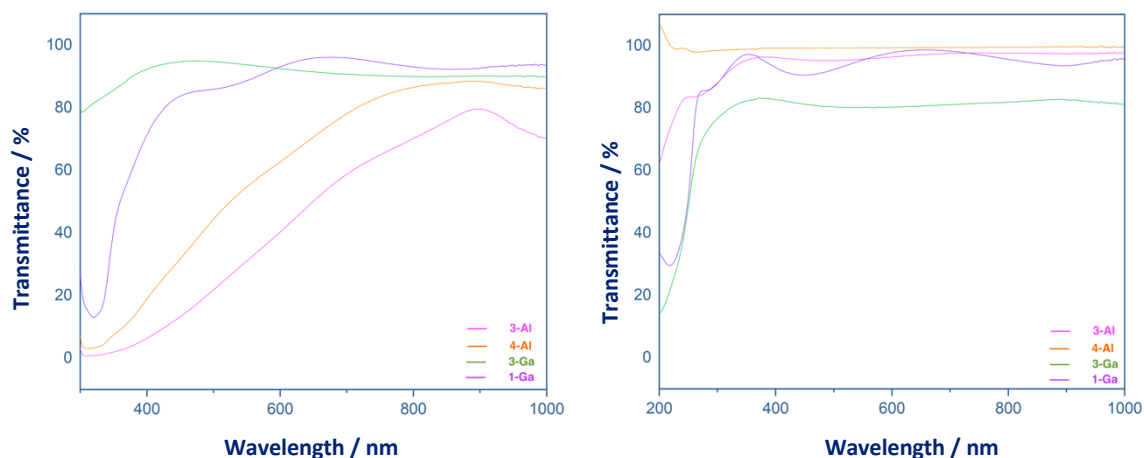


Fig 7. UV-vis (transmittance) plots generated for each of the precursors deposited on glass (left) and on quartz (right) after annealing treatment (1000 °C in air for 12 hours showing improved transmission and transparency after the post-annealing treatment.

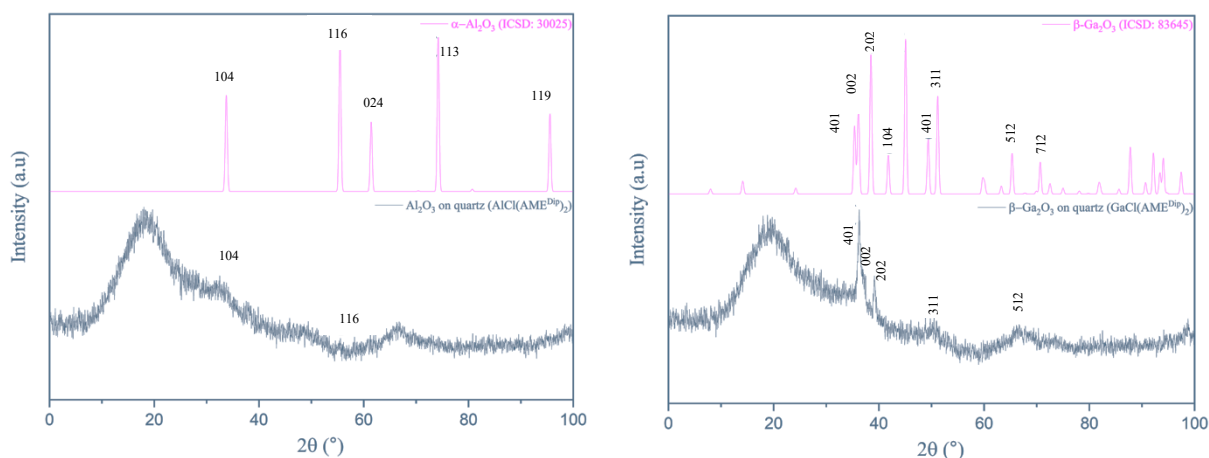


Fig 8. XRD patterns of Al_2O_3 (left) and Ga_2O_3 (right) thin films on quartz with improved crystallinity after annealing treatment (1000 °C in air for 12 hours), deposited from $[\text{AlCl}(\text{AME}^{\text{Dip}})_2]$, (**3-Al**) and $[\text{GaCl}(\text{AME}^{\text{Dip}})_2]$, (**3-Ga**) respectively (0.2 g of precursor).

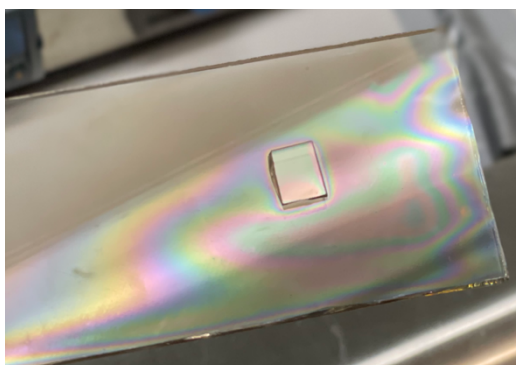


Fig 9. Photograph of a thin film deposited on glass and quartz (pre-anneal) from precursor **3-Ga** (0.2 g of precursor).

B. NMR spectra from reactivity studies

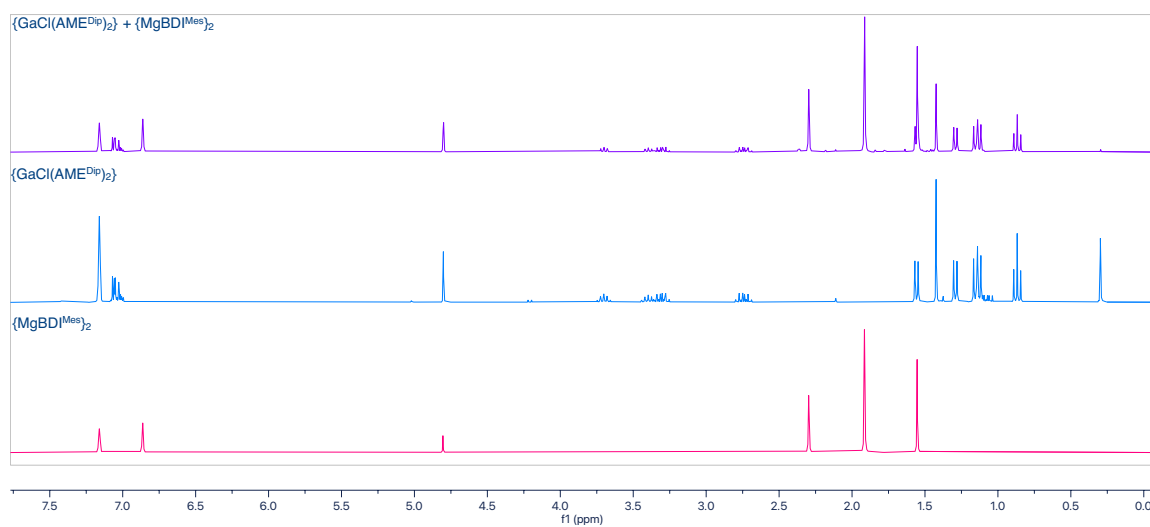


Fig 10. Stacked ^1H NMR spectra of magnesium(I) dimers, $[\text{Mg}(\text{BDI}^{\text{Mes}})]$ (bottom), $[\text{GaCl}(\text{AME}^{\text{Dip}})_2]$, **3-Ga** (middle) and the product of their addition at ambient temperature (top).

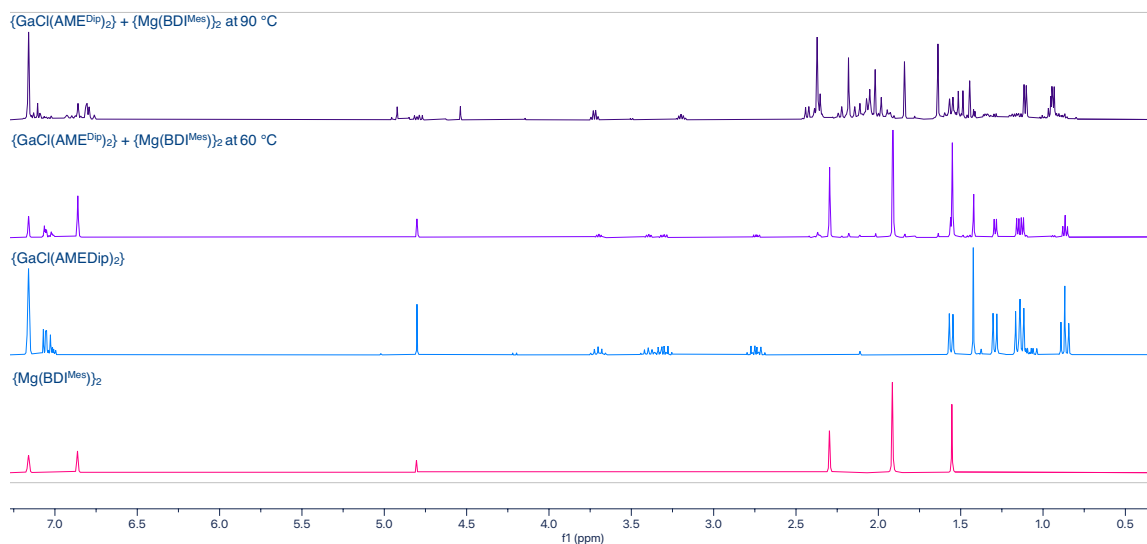


Fig 11. Stacked ^1H NMR spectra of magnesium(I) dimers, $[\text{Mg}(\text{BDI}^{\text{Mes}})]$ (bottom), $[\text{GaCl}(\text{AME}^{\text{Dip}})_2]$, **3-Ga** (lower middle), the product of their addition after stirring at $60\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ (upper middle) and after stirring at $90\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ (top).

C. NMR spectra of complexes

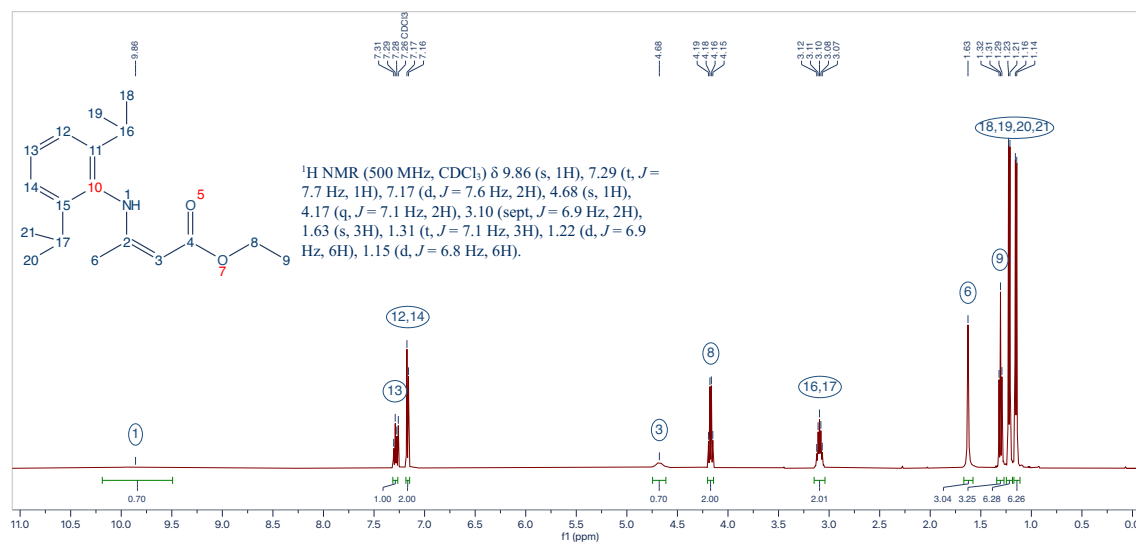


Fig 12. ^1H NMR of HAMEDip

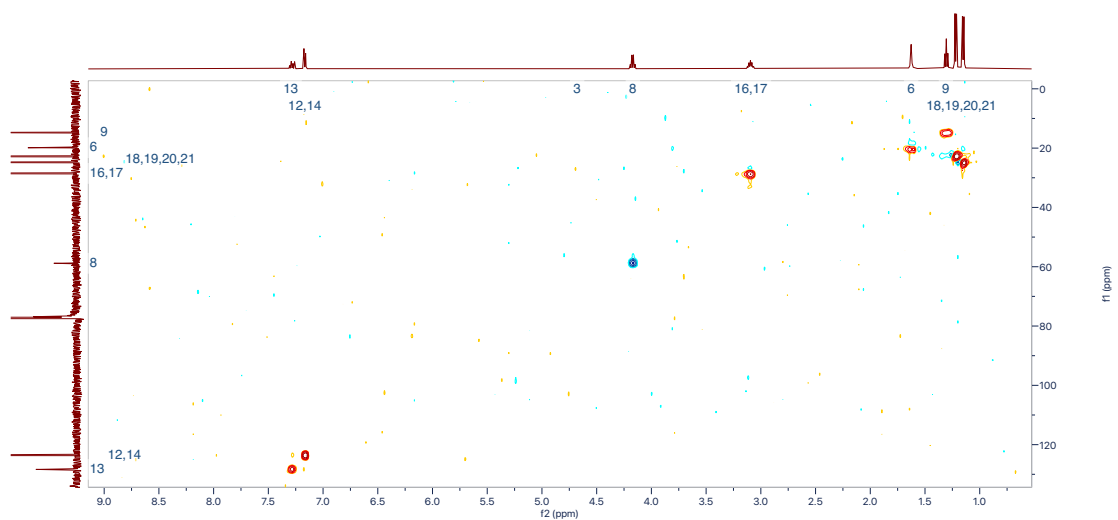


Fig 15. ^1H - ^{13}C HSQC NMR of HAMEDip

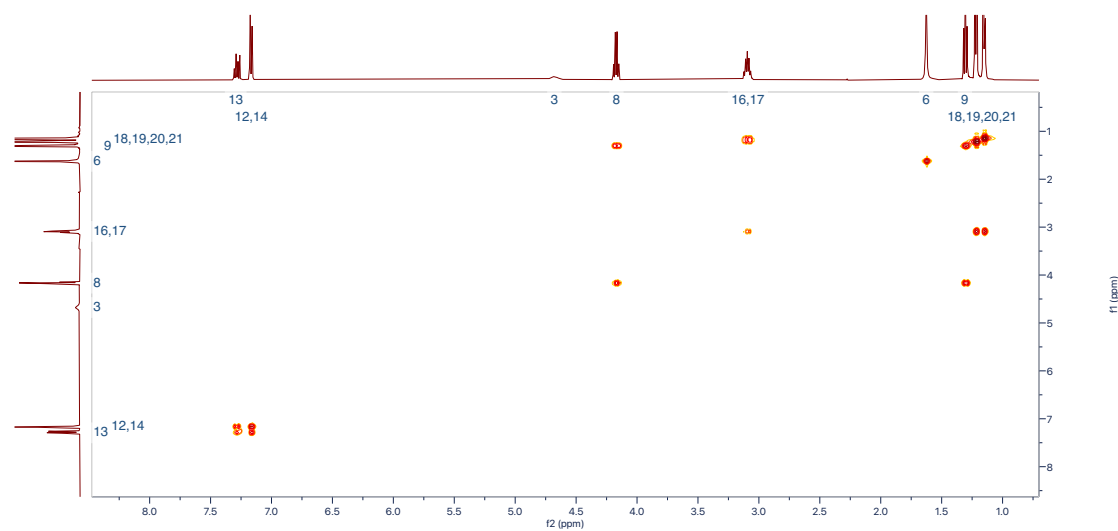


Fig 16. ^1H - ^{13}C HMBC NMR of HAMEDip

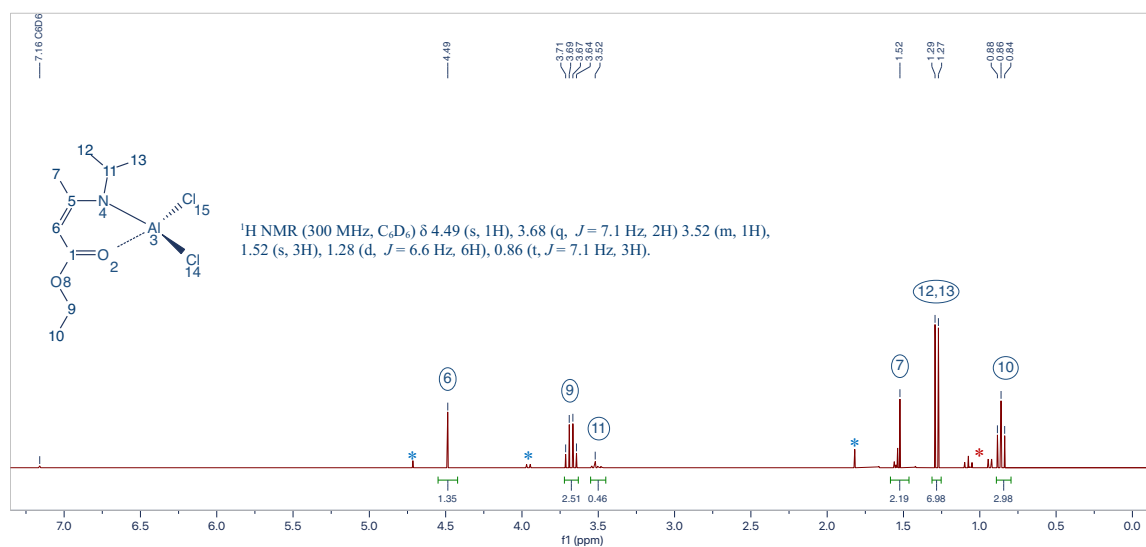


Fig 17. ¹H NMR of [AlCl₂(AMEⁱPr)] (**1-Al**), solvents (hexane and diethyl ether), marked with an asterisk (red) and small quantities of unidentified decomposition product (blue)

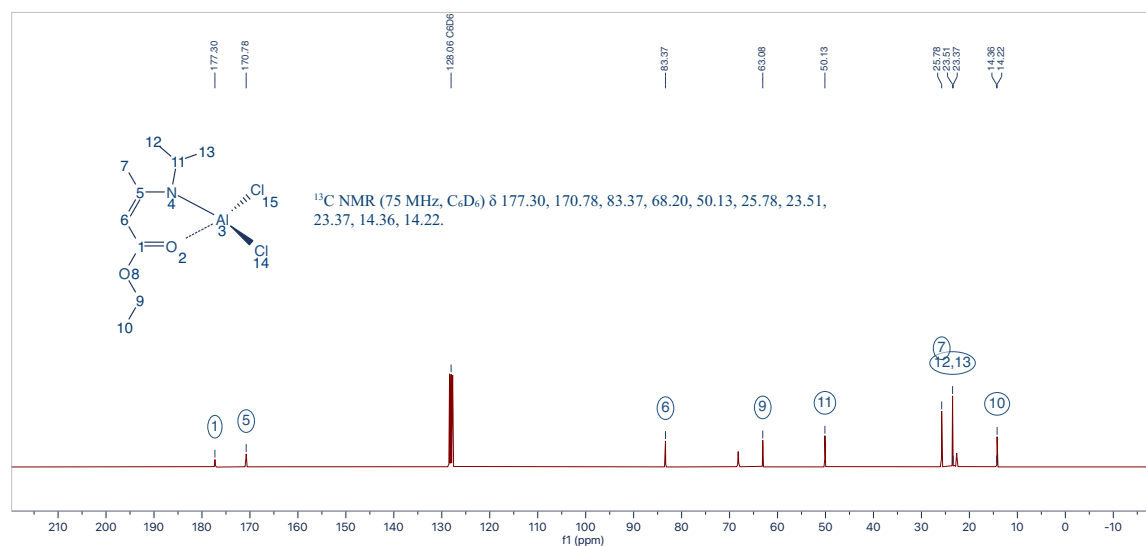


Fig 18. ¹³C{¹H} NMR of [AlCl₂(AMEⁱPr)], (**1-Al**)

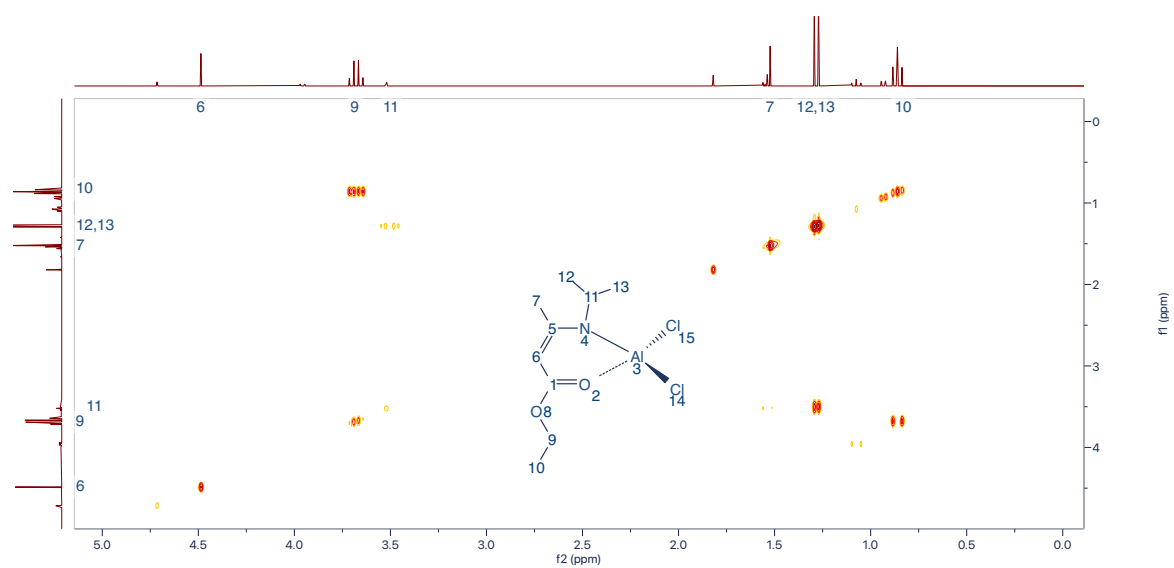


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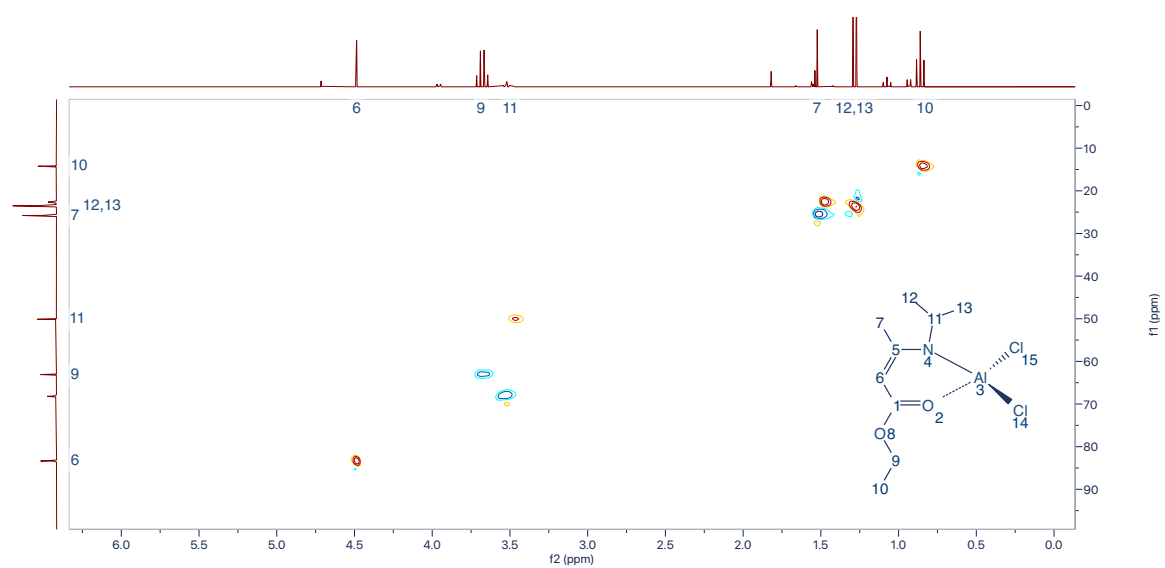


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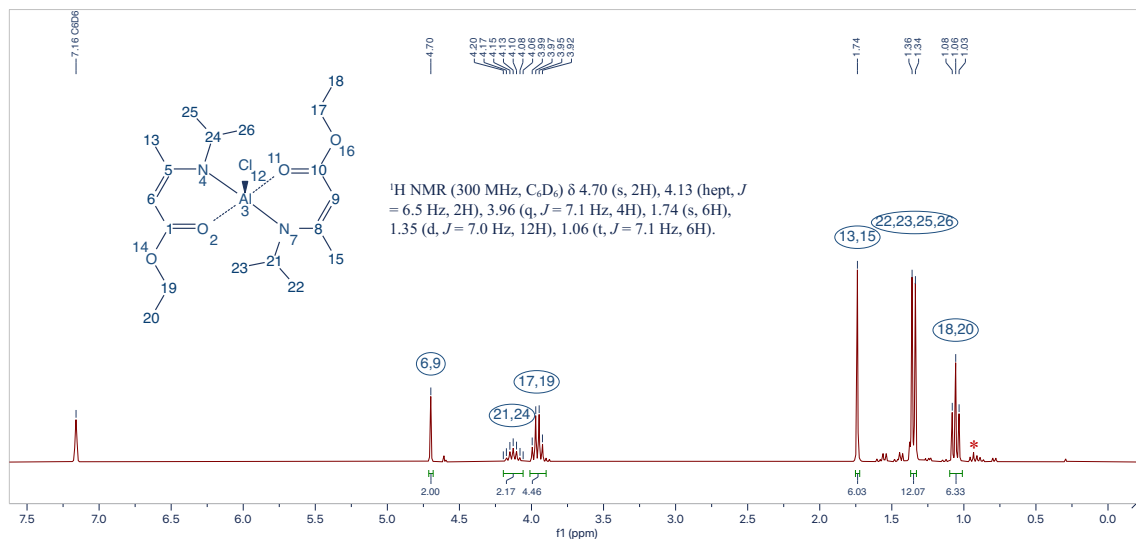


Fig 21. ¹H NMR of [AlCl(AMEiPr)₂] (**2-Al**), solvents (hexane and diethyl ether), marked with a red asterisk

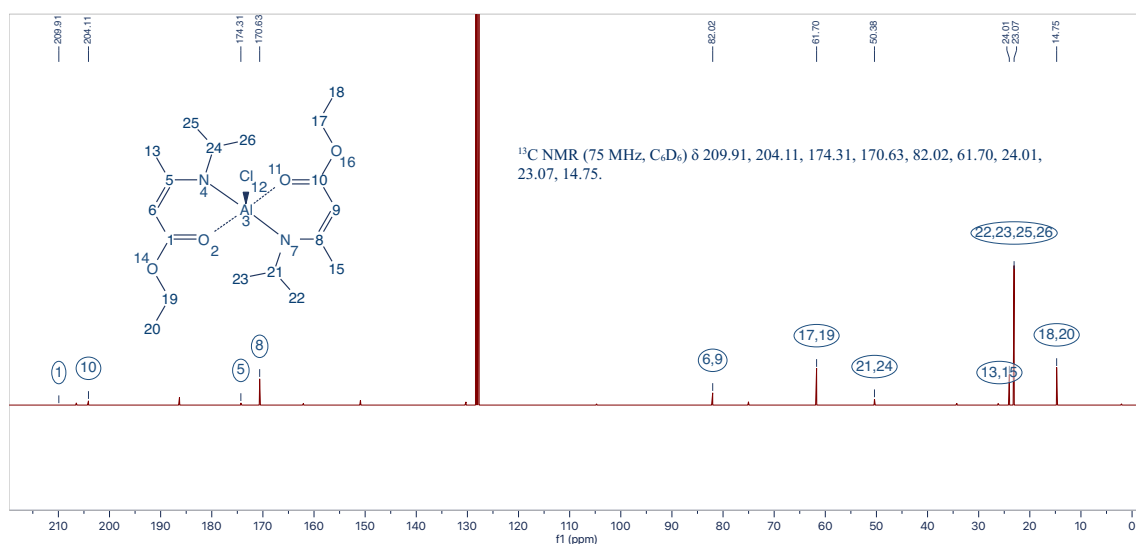


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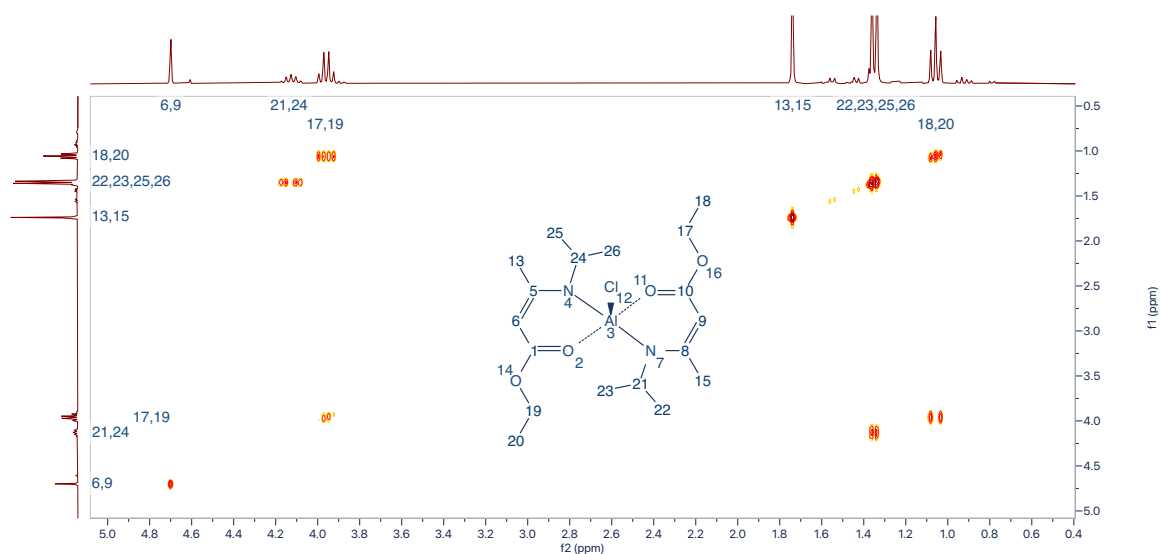


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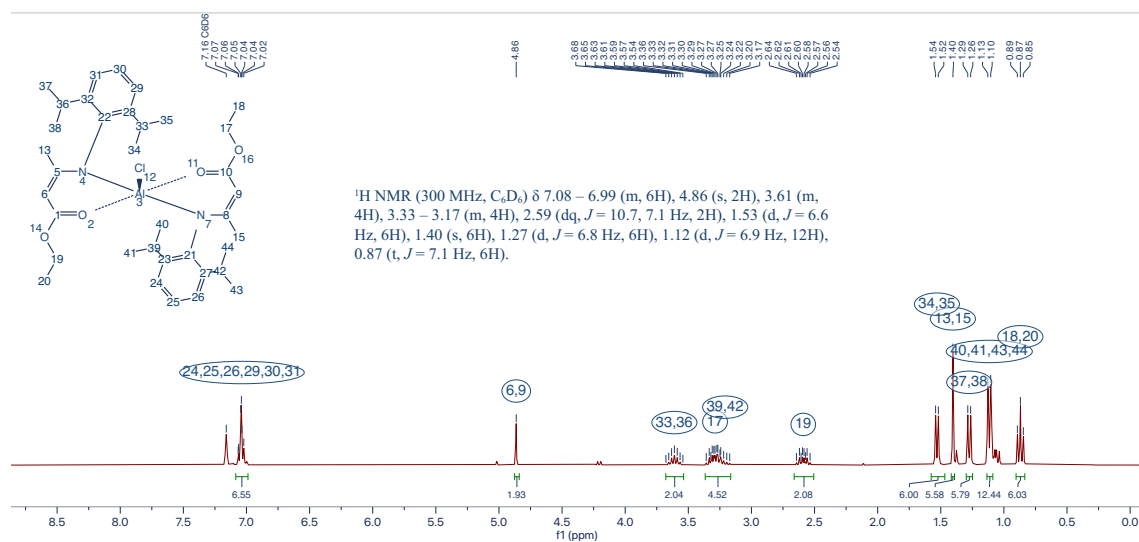


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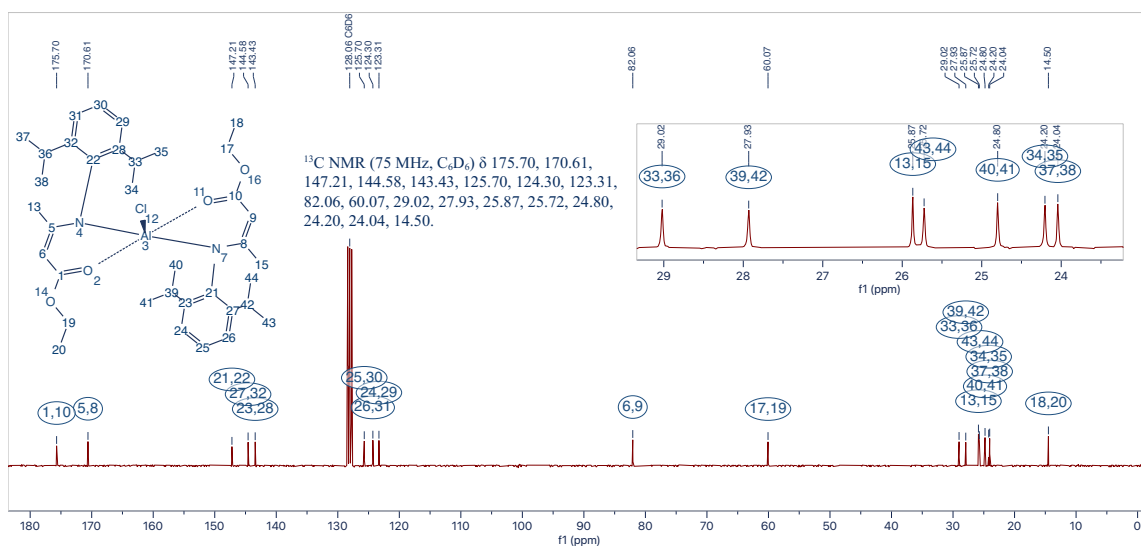


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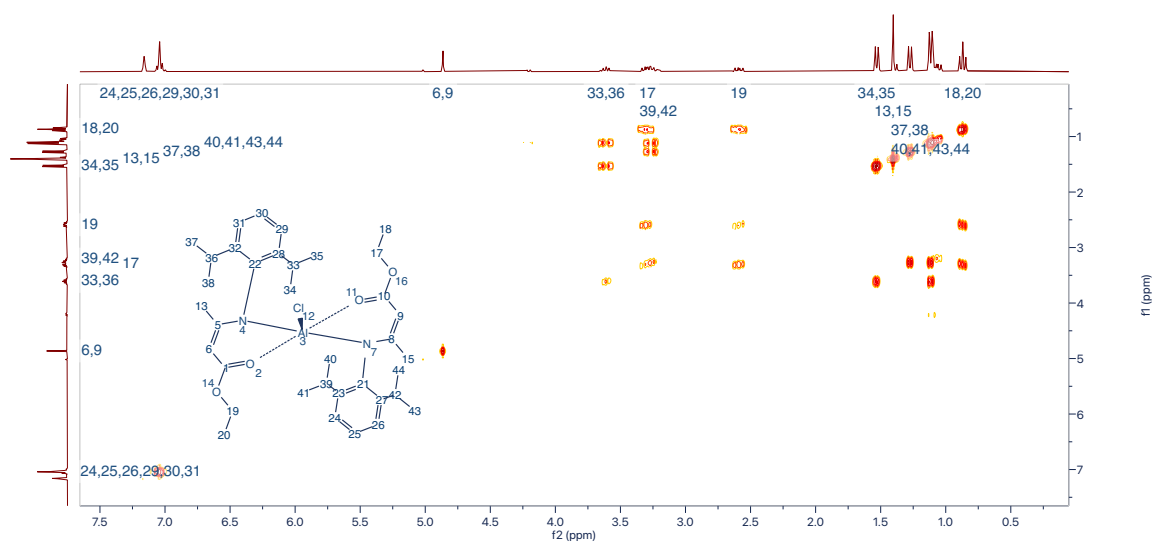


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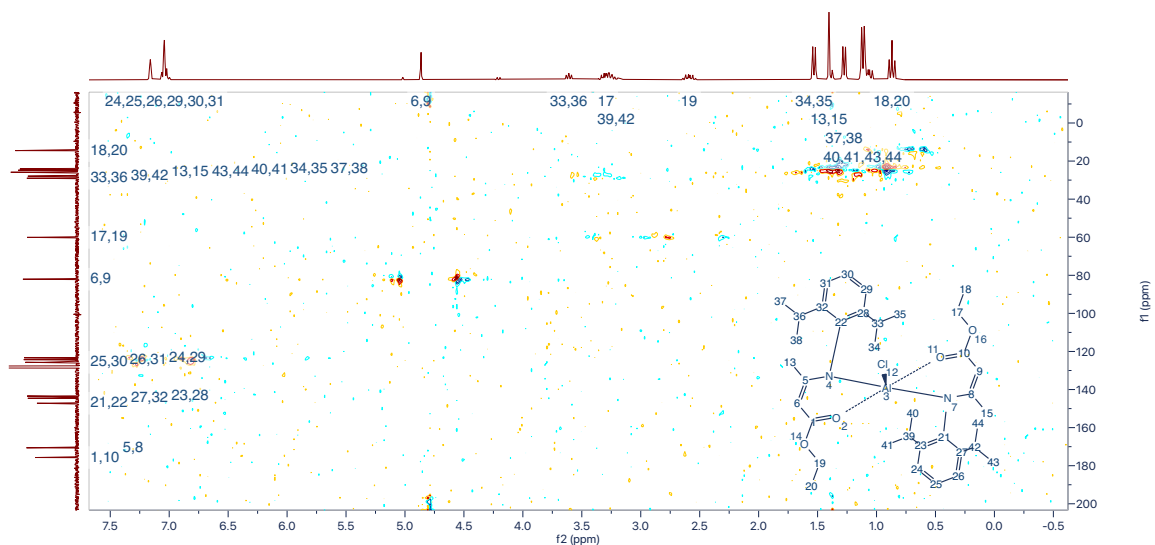


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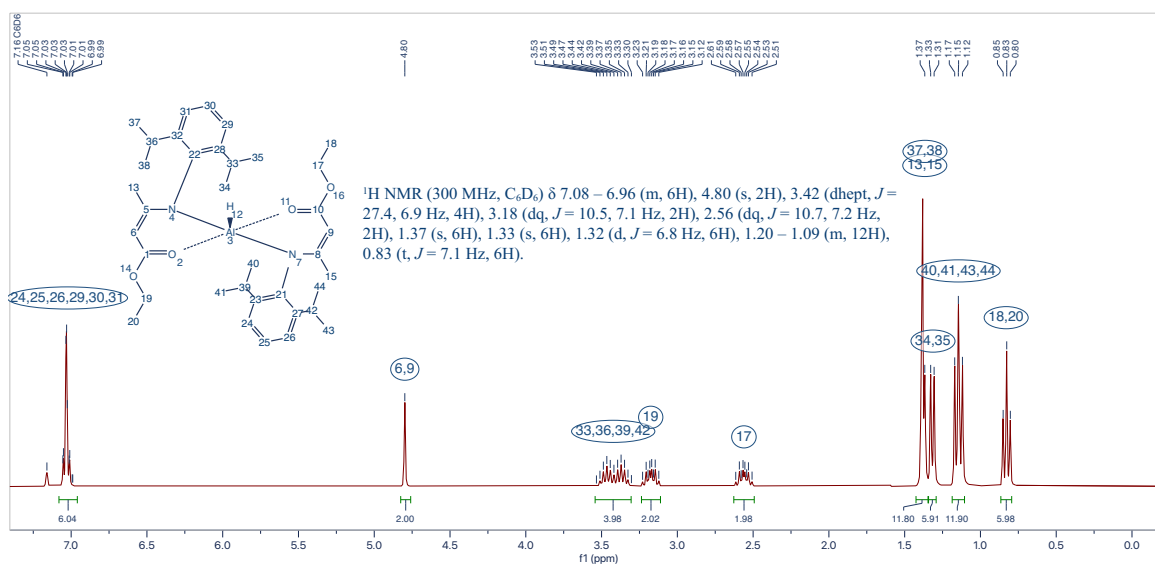


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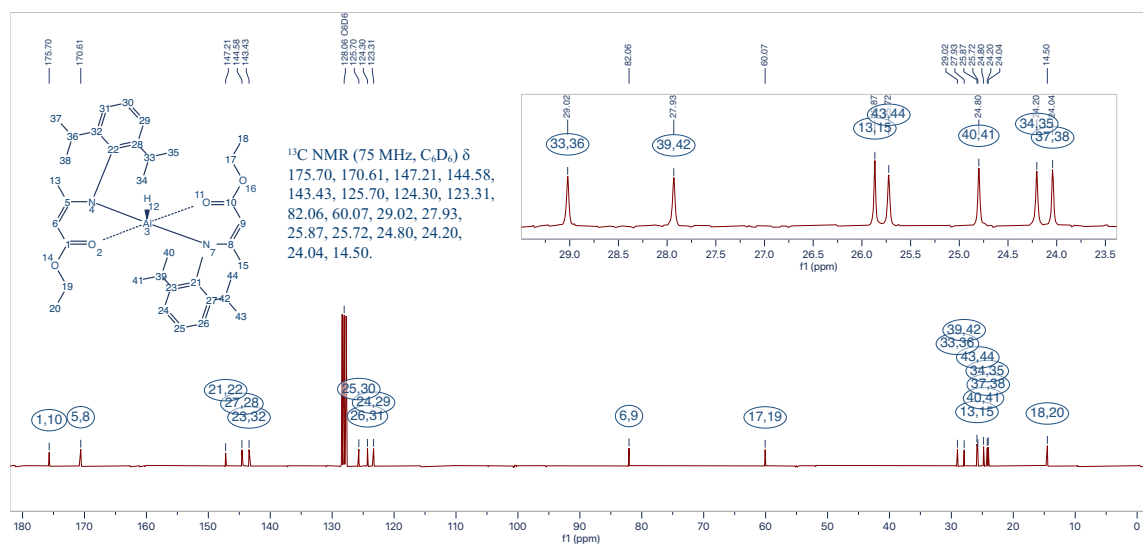


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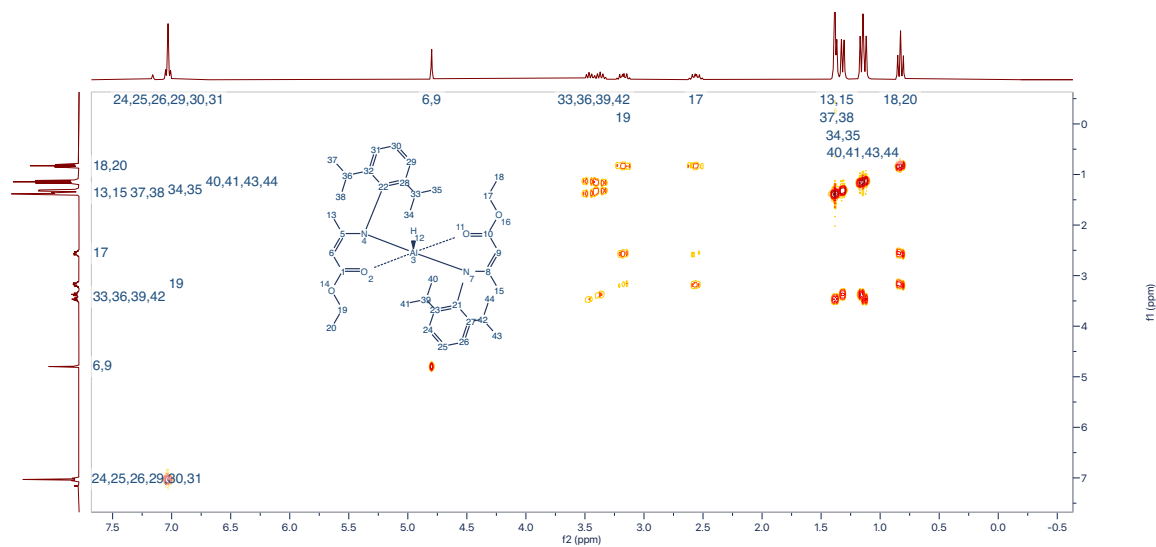


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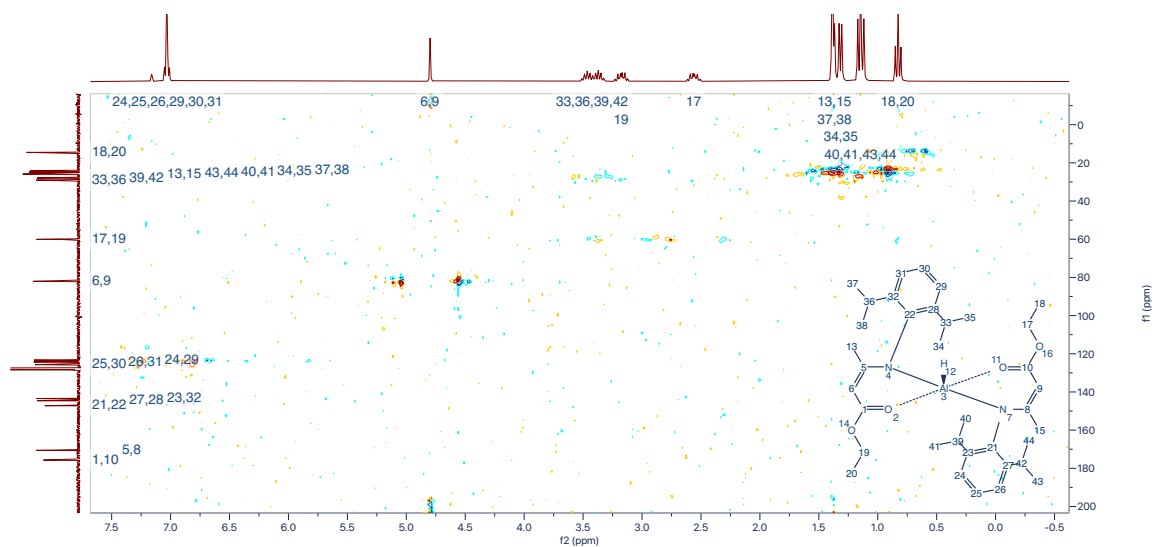


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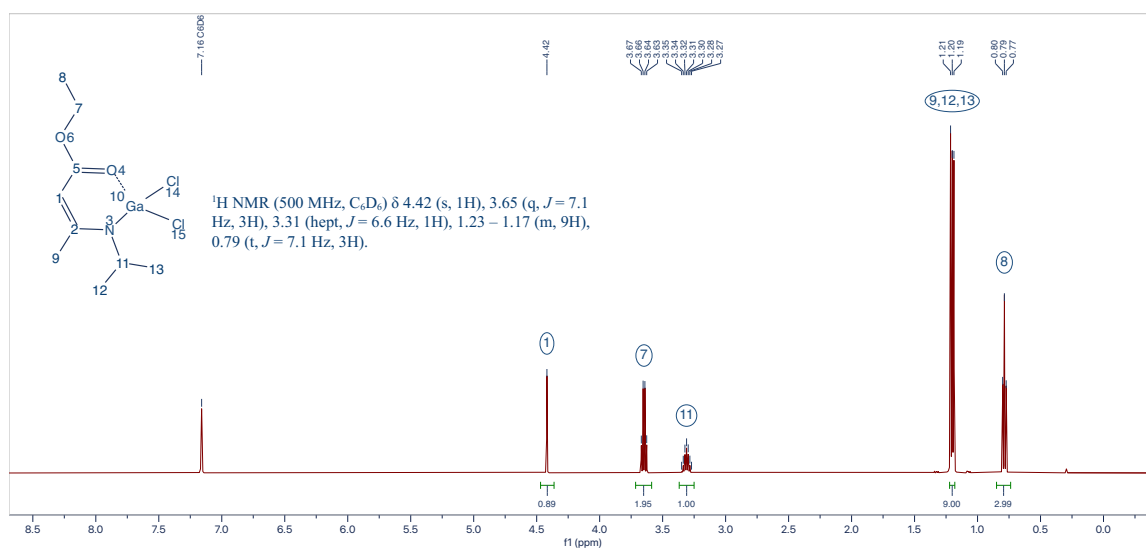


Fig 32. ^1H NMR of $[\text{GaCl}_2(\text{AMEiPr})_2]$ (**1-Ga**)

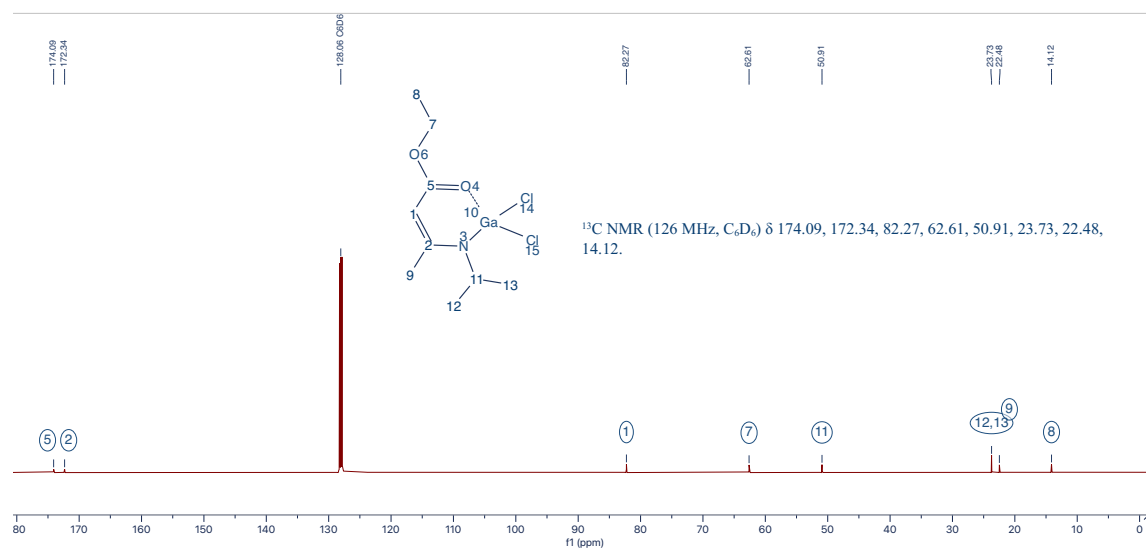


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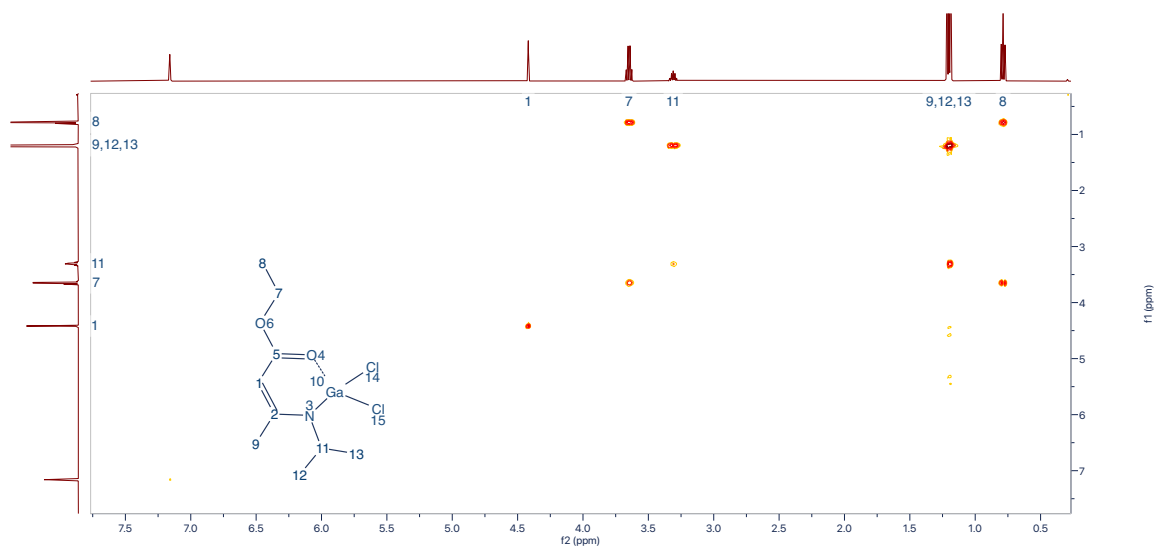


Fig 34. ^1H – ^1H COSY NMR of $[\text{GaCl}_2(\text{AMEiPr})_2]$ (**1-Ga**)

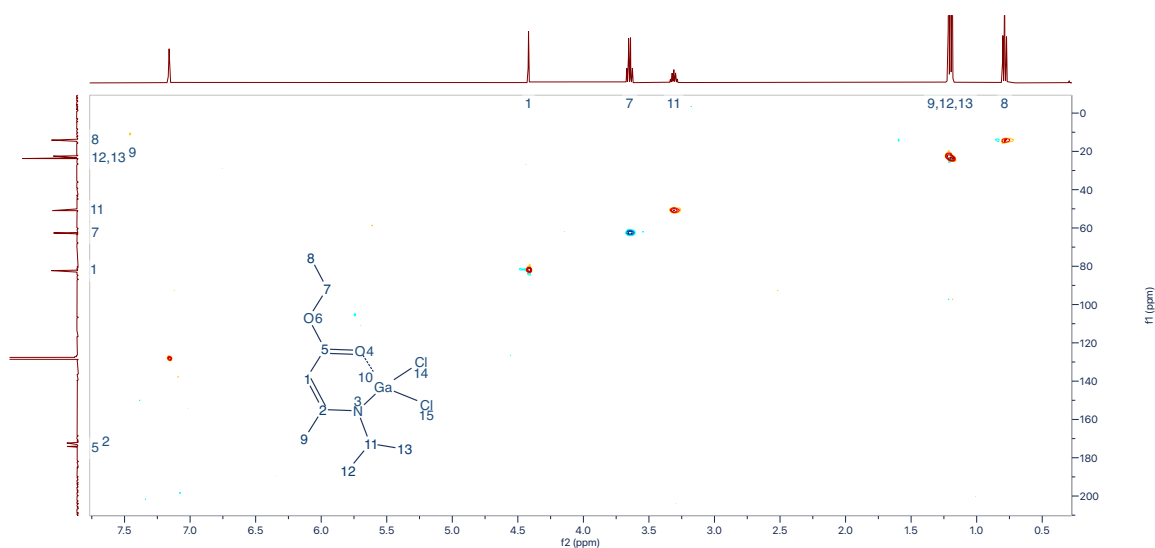


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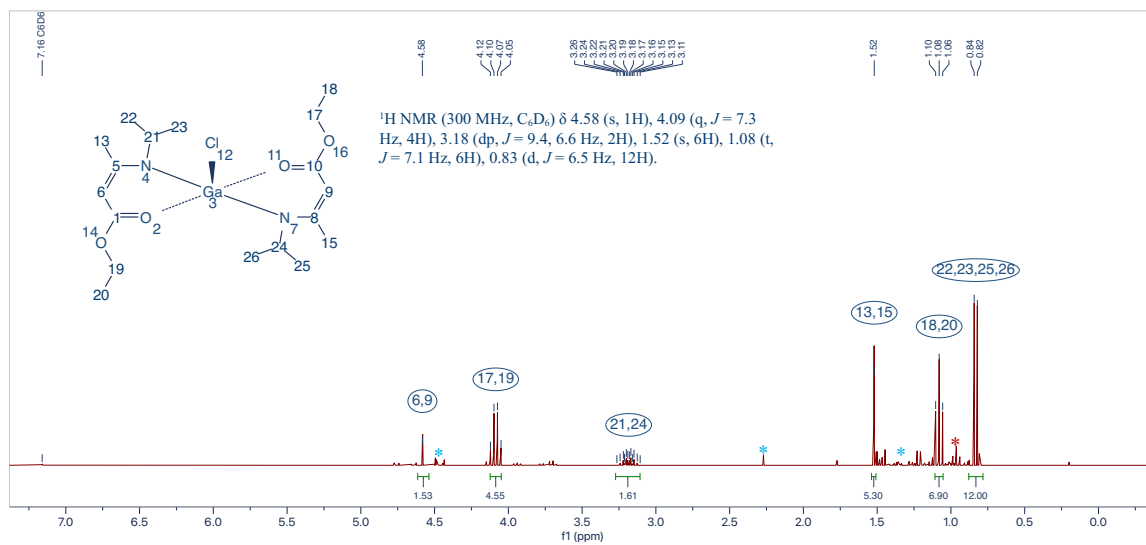


Fig 36. ¹H NMR of [GaCl(AMEiPr)₂] (**2-Ga**), solvents (hexane and diethyl ether), marked with an asterisk (red) and small quantities of unidentified decomposition product (blue)

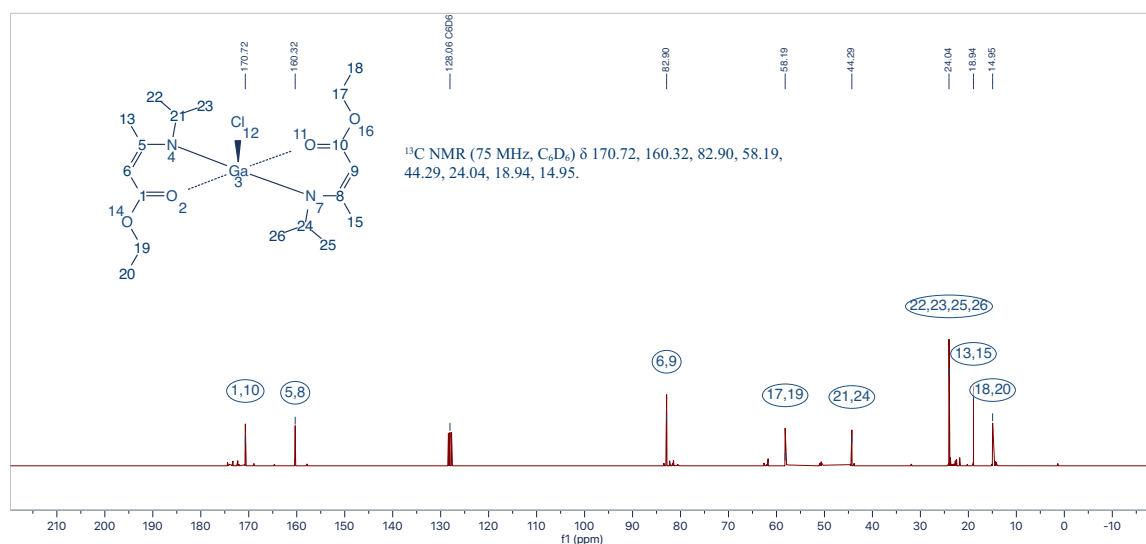


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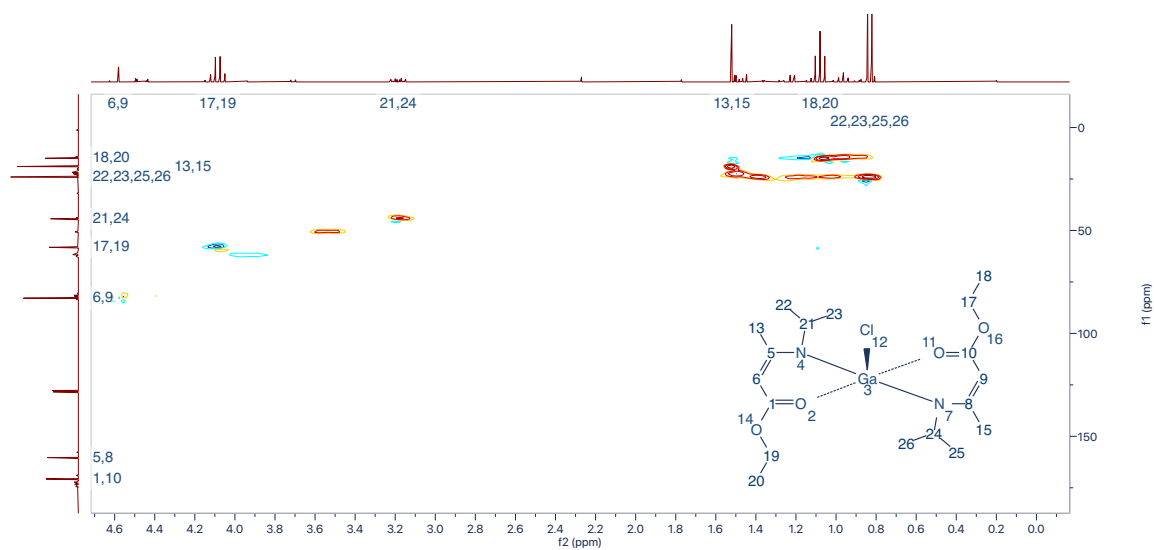


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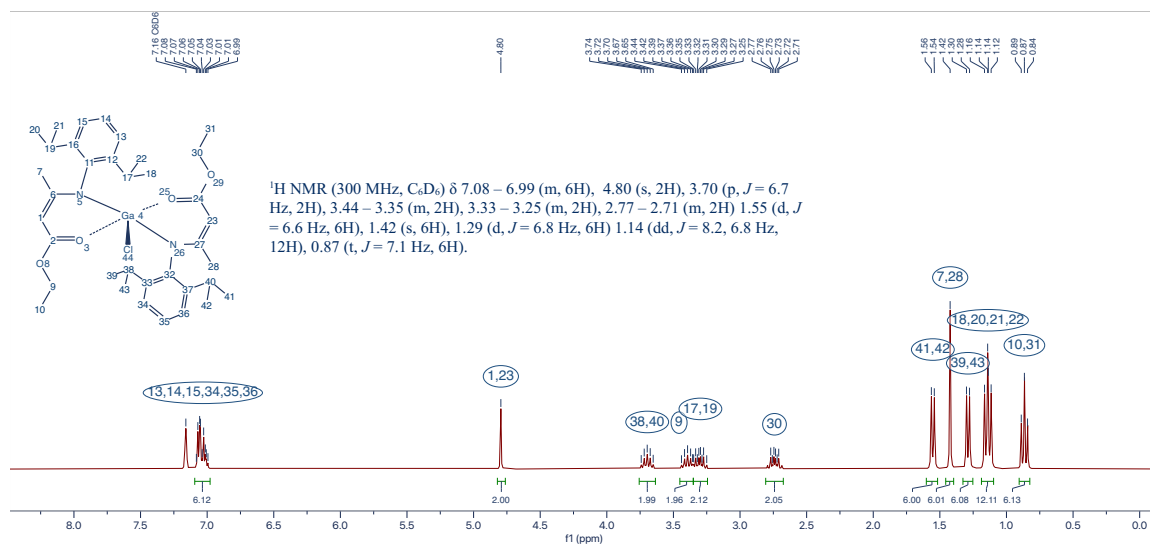


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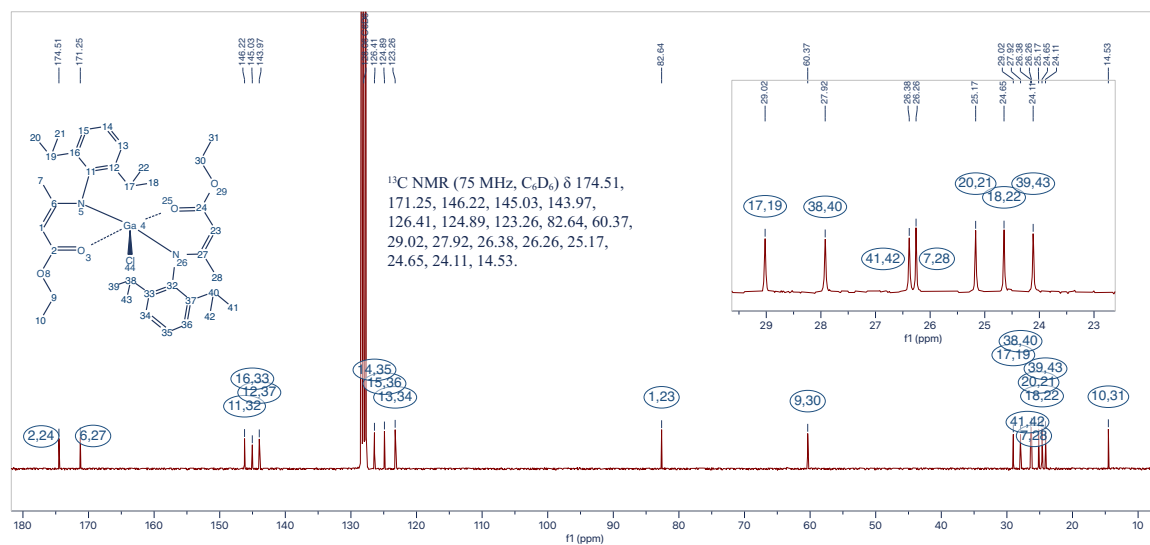


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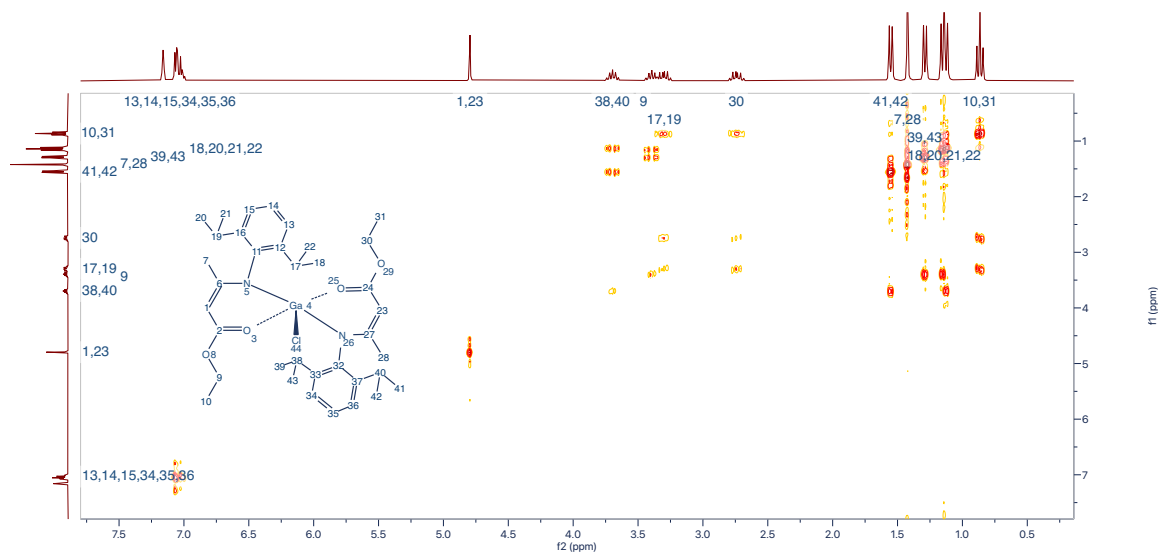
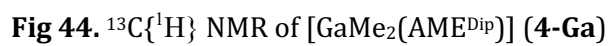


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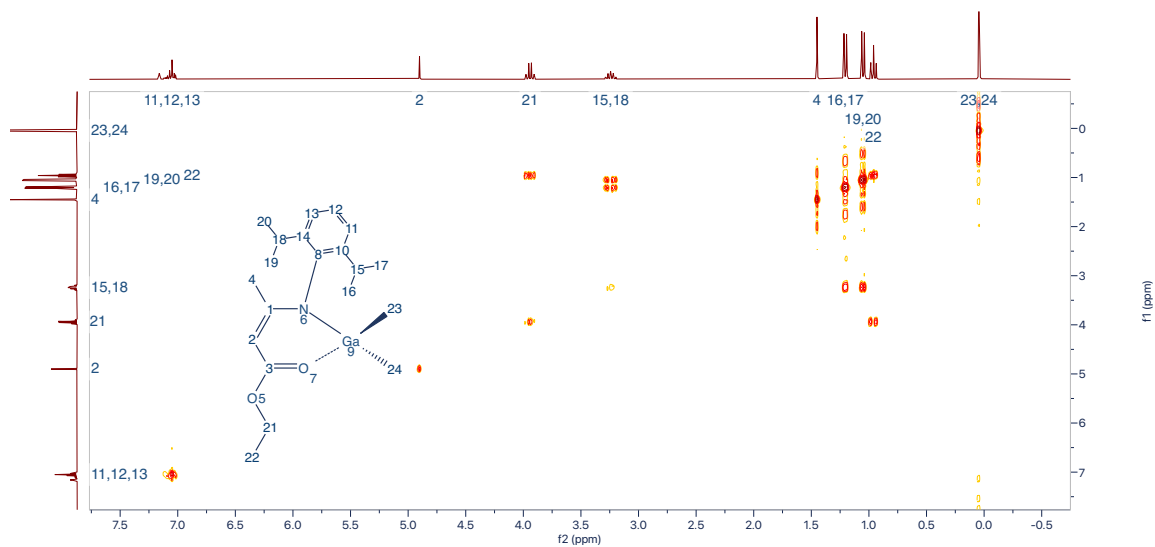


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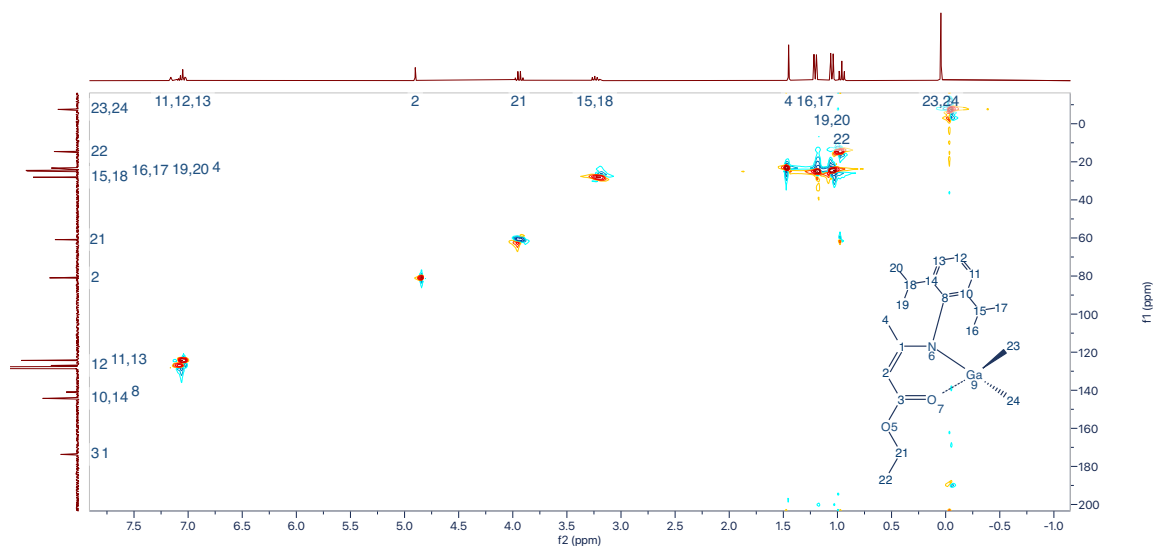


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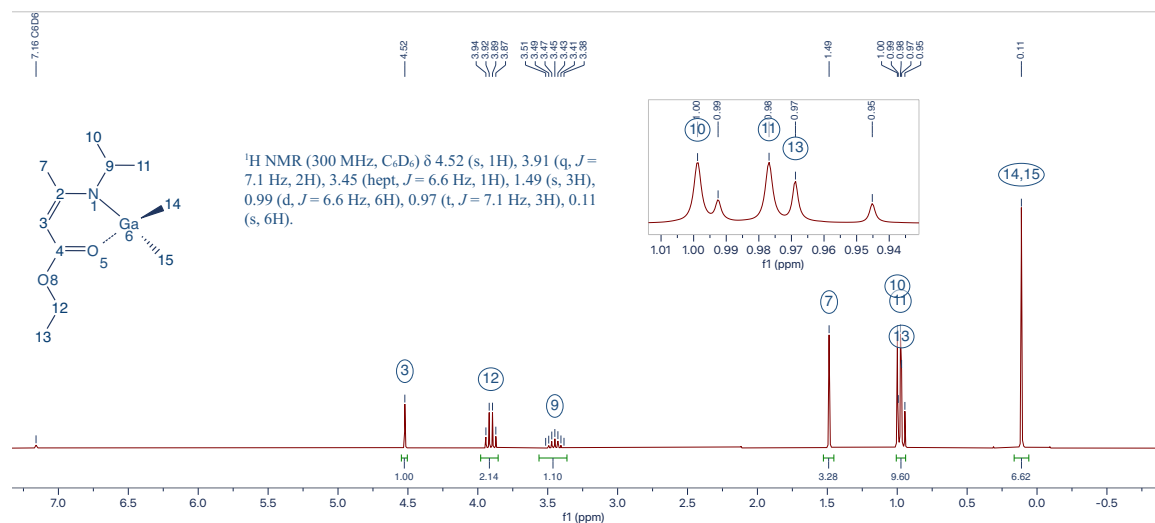


Fig 47. ^1H NMR of $[\text{GaMe}_2(\text{AMEiPr})]$ (**5-Ga**)

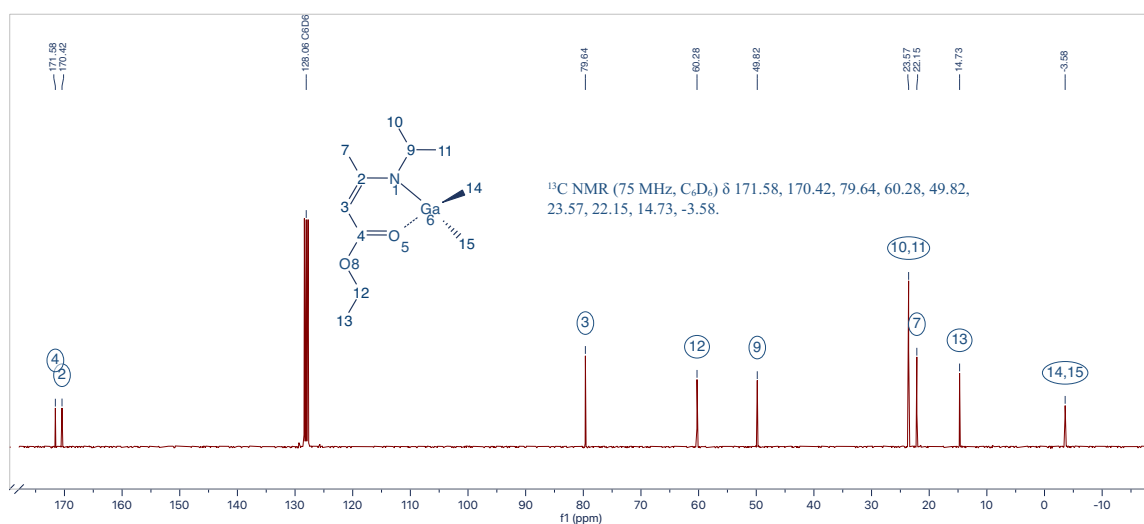


Fig 48. ¹³C{¹H} NMR of [GaMe₂(AMEⁱPr)] (**5-Ga**)

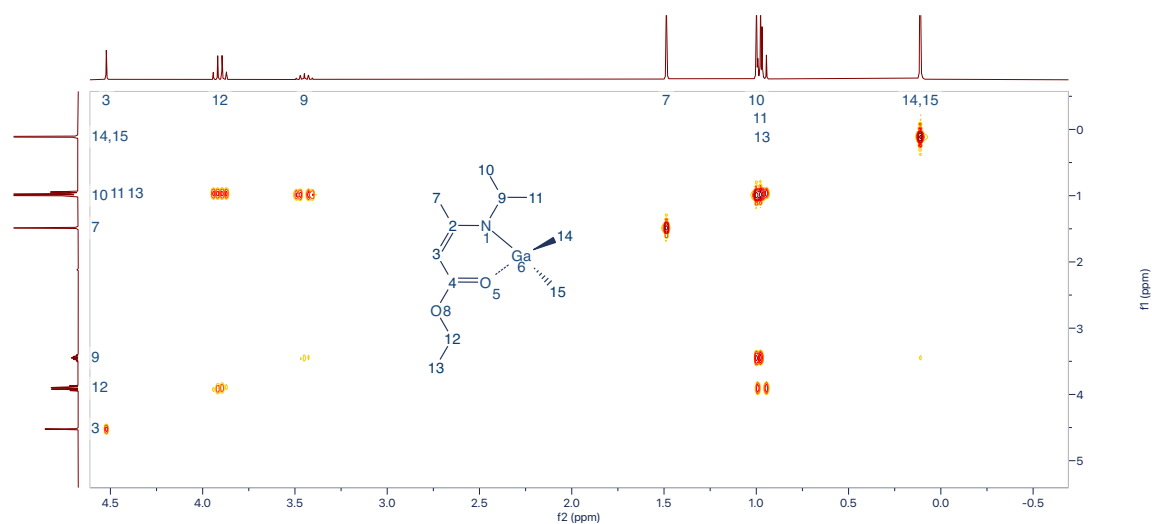


Fig 49. ¹H-¹H COSY NMR of [GaMe₂(AMEⁱPr)] (**5-Ga**)

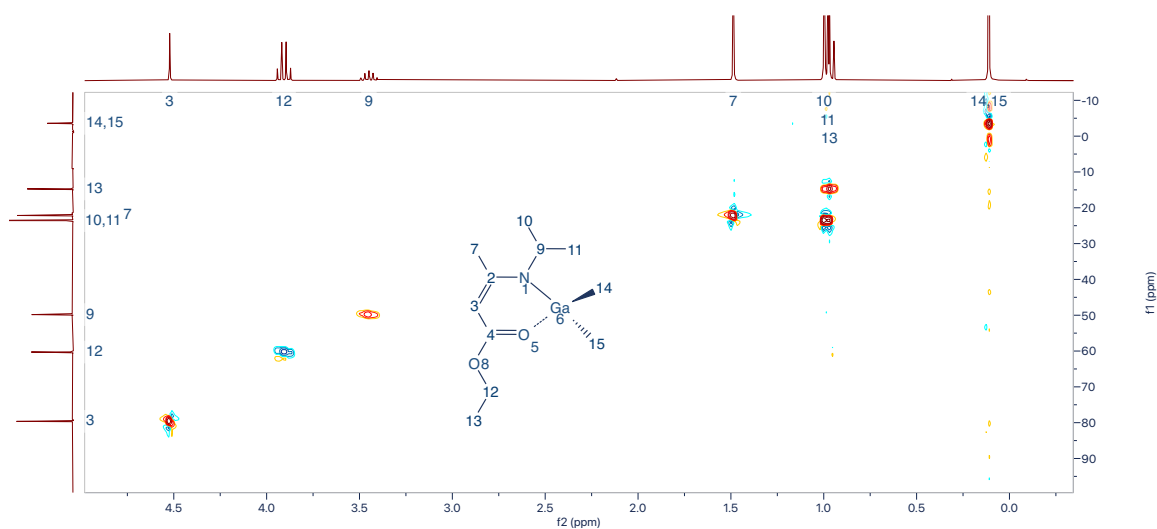


Fig 50. ¹H-¹³C HSQC NMR of [GaMe₂(AMEⁱPr)] (**5-Ga**)

D. Crystallographic data

Complex	1-Al	2-Al	3-Al	1-Ga	2-Ga	3-Ga	4-Al
Chemical formula	C ₉ H ₁₆ Cl ₂ AlNO ₂	C ₁₈ H ₃₂ ClAlN ₂ O ₄	C ₃₆ H ₅₂ ClAlN ₂ O ₄	C ₉ H ₁₆ Cl ₂ GaNO ₂	C ₁₈ H ₃₂ ClGa ₂ N ₂ O ₄	C ₃₆ H ₅₂ ClGa ₂ N ₂ O ₄	C ₃₆ H ₅₃ AlN ₂ O ₄
Fw (g mol ⁻¹)	268.11	402.88	639.22	310.85	445.62	658.49	619.49
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Tetragonal
<i>a</i> (Å)	9.04510(10)	12.1273(2)	8.90810(10)	9.08077(15)	12.1961(2)	8.97530(10)	21.07670(10)
<i>b</i> (Å)	8.10630(10)	12.6240(2)	23.8108(2)	8.02118(10)	12.6013(2)	23.7494(2)	21.07670(10)
<i>c</i> (Å)	18.2392(2)	14.5316(3)	16.8695(2)	18.3319(3)	14.5825(2)	16.86750(10)	16.37980(10)
<i>a</i> (deg)	90	90	90	90	90	90	90
<i>b</i> (deg)	98.3700(10)	103.938(2)	96.8650(10)	98.2836(16)	103.144(2)	96.4410(10)	90
<i>g</i> (deg)	90	90	90	90	90	90	90
<i>V</i> (Å ³)	1321.10(3)	2159.21(7)	3552.52(7)	1321.34(3)	2182.42(6)	3572.75(5)	7276.35(8)
<i>Z</i>	4	4	4	4	4	4	8
<i>r_{calcd}</i> (g cm ⁻³)	1.346	1.239	1.195	1.563	1.356	1.268	1.129
<i>m</i> (mm ⁻¹)	1.346	2.160	1.497	6.439	3.048	2.045	0.816
Reflns collected	19678	34653	61929	44799	32986	60788	65063
Unique reflns	2633	4257	7384	2646	4359	7039	7178
<i>R_{int}</i>	0.0292	0.0429	0.0404	0.0514	0.0240	0.0454	0.0545
<i>R₁</i> and <i>wR₂</i> [<i>All data</i>]	0.0255, 0.0692	0.0442, 0.1031	0.0440, 0.1072	0.0256, 0.0614	0.0315, 0.0802	0.0320, 0.0848	0.0402, 0.1055