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## **Supporting Information**

### Synthesis of [CNN] Pincer Nickel(II) NHC Chlorides and Their Catalytic Effects

## on Hydrosilylation of Aldehydes and Ketones under Mild Conditions

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SI Crystallographic Data for Complexes 3a, 3b and 3
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complex	3a	3b	5a
formula	C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>21</sub> ClN <sub>4</sub> Ni	$C_{19}H_{15}Br_{0.07}Cl_{0.95}N_4Ni_{0.96}$	$C_{23}H_{27}Br_{0.11}Cl_{0.89}N_4Ni$
$M_z$	435.59	395.32	458.42
crystal system	orthorhombic	monoclinic	orthorhombic
space group	$Pca2_1$	P21/c	$P2_{1}2_{1}2_{1}$
a [Å]	22.2059(5)	7.8582(3)	8.3434(2)
b [Å]	10.1482(2)	24.1174(12)	14.2256(4)
c [Å]	8.5616(2)	17.5914(6)	17.7157(4)
α [°]	90	90	90
β [°]	90	95.976(3)	90
γ [°]	90	90	90
V [Å <sup>3</sup> ]	1929.36(7)	3315.8(2)	2102.67(9)
T [K]	150.15	150.15	173.15
Z	4	8	4
$\mu[mm^{-1}]$	6.518	7.273	2.735
total reflns	10895	16325	7023
unique reflns	4120	6666	3670
R <sub>int</sub>	0.0128	0.0268	0.0576
$R_1[I \ge 2\sigma(I)]$	0.0224	0.0546	0.0401
$wR(F^2)[I>2\sigma(I)]$	0.0600	0.1474	0.0928
R <sub>1</sub> (all data)	0.0231	0.0630	0.0486
wR(F <sup>2</sup> )(all data)	0.0604	0.1544	0.0971
GOF on F <sup>2</sup>	1.038	1.062	0.987





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Fig.S3 <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of complex 1 (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)







Fig.S5 <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of complex 2a (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)







Fig.S7 IR spectrum of complex 2b



Fig.S9<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of complex **2b** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)







Fig.S12 <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of complex 2c (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



SIV IR, <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of complexes 3a - 3c and 5a - 5b





Fig.S15<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of complex **3a** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



Fig.S16 IR spectrum of complex **3b** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



Fig.S17<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of complex **3b** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



Fig.S18<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of complex **3b** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)







Fig.S20 <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of complex 3c (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



Fig.S21 <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of complex **3c** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



Fig.S22 IR spectrum of complex 5a



Fig.S24  $^{13}$ C NMR spectrum of complex **5a** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



Fig.S25 IR spectrum of complex 5b



Fig.S26<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of complex **5b** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



Fig.S27  $^{13}$ C NMR spectrum of complex **5b** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



Fig.S28 IR spectrum of complex 5c





f1 (ppm)

-200 -100 -0 --100



Fig.S31 IR spectrum of complex 5d



Fig.S32 <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of complex 5d (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



Fig.S33  $^{13}$ C NMR spectrum of complex **5d** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)







Fig.S37 GC spectrum of 6b



Fig.S39 GC spectrum of 6c



Fig.S41 GC spectrum of 6d



Fig.S43 GC spectrum of 6e



Fig.S44 <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **6f** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)





# Fig.S45 GC spectrum of 6f







Fig.S49 GC spectrum of 6h





# Fig.S51 GC spectrum of 6i



Fig.S53 GC spectrum of 6j



Fig.S55 GC spectrum of 6k







Fig.S57 GC spectrum of 6l



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Fig.S59 GC spectrum of 6m





Fig.S61 GC spectrum of 6n



Fig.S63 GC spectrum of 60









Fig.S65 GC spectrum of 6p



Fig.S67 GC spectrum of 6q







Fig.S69 GC spectrum of 7a









Fig.S71 GC spectrum of 7b







Fig.S73 GC spectrum of 7c





Fig.S75 GC spectrum of 7d





Fig.S77 GC spectrum of 7e







Fig.S79 GC spectrum of 7f



Fig.S81 GC spectrum of 7g











Fig.S85 GC spectrum of 7i

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Fig.S87 GC spectrum of 7j



Fig.S89 GC spectrum of 7k











Fig.S92 GC spectrum of 7m





Fig.S93 GC spectrum of 7n





Fig.S94 GC spectrum of 70



SVI GC analysis of  $H_2$ 



Fig.S96 The GC analysis that shows H<sub>2</sub>

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