

Supplementary information:

Theoretical investigation of paramagnetic group 13 diazabutadiene radicals: Insights into the prediction and interpretation of EPR spectroscopy parameters

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Table S1 Calculated hyperfine coupling constants of monocyclic group 13 diazabutadiene radicals **6-M^RX^a**

(R-DAB)MX ₂ [•]	R	M	¹⁴ N	¹ H	X
M = ²⁷ Al	H	-6.9	2.9	-7.1	8.3
X = ¹⁹ F	Me	-7.5	3.7	-6.2	8.8
	^t Bu	-7.4	3.7	-6.3	9.7
	Ph	-7.1	3.6	-6.7	8.3
M = ²⁷ Al	H	-7.4	3.0	-7.1	1.5
X = ³⁵ Cl	Me	-8.1	3.7	-6.2	1.5
	^t Bu	-8.2	3.8	-6.2	1.6
	Ph	-7.7	3.6	-6.7	1.4
M = ²⁷ Al	H	-7.6	3.0	-7.0	5.7
X = ⁷⁹ Br	Me	-8.2	3.8	-6.2	6.2
	^t Bu	-8.4	3.8	-6.2	7.1
	Ph	-7.8	2.7	-6.7	5.5
M = ²⁷ Al	H	-8.2	3.0	-6.9	6.3
X = ¹²⁷ I	Me	-8.7	3.8	-6.1	7.3
	^t Bu	-8.9	3.9	-6.1	10.0
	Ph	-8.4	3.7	-6.6	6.8
M = ⁶⁹ Ga	H	-23.2	3.4	-7.0	8.0
X = ¹⁹ F	Me	-25.4	4.2	-6.0	8.6
	^t Bu	-25.2	4.2	-6.1	9.7
	Ph	-24.1	4.1	-6.6	8.0
M = ⁶⁹ Ga	H	-22.8	3.5	-6.8	1.5
X = ³⁵ Cl	Me	-24.9	4.3	-5.9	1.5
	^t Bu	-25.2	4.4	-6.0	1.7
	Ph	-23.6	4.2	-6.5	1.4

Table S1 Continued

(R-DAB)MX ₂ [•]	R	M	¹⁴ N	¹ H	X
M = ⁶⁹ Ga	H	-22.9	3.6	-6.8	6.0
X = ⁷⁹ Br	Me	-25.0	4.3	-5.9	6.5
	^t Bu	-25.3	4.5	-5.9	7.5
	Ph	-23.6	4.3	-6.4	5.8
M = ⁶⁹ Ga	H	-23.9	3.6	-6.7	8.3
X = ¹²⁷ I	Me	-25.5	4.4	-5.8	9.1
	^t Bu	-25.8	4.5	-5.8	11.9
	Ph	-24.2	4.3	-6.3	8.9
M = ¹¹⁵ In	H	-35.7	3.7	-6.6	5.2
X = ¹⁹ F	Me	-39.6	4.6	-5.7	5.3
	^t Bu	-39.2	4.5	-5.8	6.1
	Ph	-37.3	4.5	-6.2	4.9
M = ¹¹⁵ In	H	-32.1	3.8	-6.6	1.0
X = ³⁵ Cl	Me	-35.8	4.7	-5.6	1.0
	^t Bu	-36.5	4.6	-5.7	1.1
	Ph	-33.7	4.6	-6.2	1.0
M = ¹¹⁵ In	H	-30.6	3.8	-6.6	4.5
X = ⁷⁹ Br	Me	-33.9	4.7	-5.6	4.6
	^t Bu	-34.7	4.7	-5.7	5.1
	Ph	-31.6	4.6	-6.2	4.1
M = ¹¹⁵ In	H	-29.0	3.9	-6.5	6.6
X = ¹²⁷ I	Me	-31.8	4.7	-5.3	7.2
	^t Bu	-32.8	4.7	-5.7	8.9
	Ph	-29.8	4.6	-6.1	7.0

^a Values reported in Gauss (1G = 0.1mT).

Table S2 Calculated hyperfine coupling constants of dimeric group 13 diazabutadiene diradicals **7-M^R_X^a**

[(R-DAB)MX] ₂ ^{••}	R	M	¹⁴ N	¹ H	X
M = ²⁷ Al	H	5.5	1.6 / 1.9	-3.8 / -3.9	14.0
X = ¹⁹ F	Me	2.8	2.0 / 2.3	-3.1 / -2.7	13.2
	^t Bu	5.3	2.1 / 2.3	-3.0 / -2.7	14.4
	Ph	4.3	1.8 / 2.1	-2.4 / -2.6	9.2
	Ph (C _{2h})	0.7	1.9	-2.9	10.0
M = ²⁷ Al	H	5.9	1.6 / 1.9	-3.8 / -3.9	2.1
X = ³⁵ Cl	Me	3.5	2.0 / 2.3	-3.1 / -2.7	1.9
	^t Bu	5.1	2.2 / 2.3	-3.0 / -2.7	2.1
	Ph	4.5	1.9 / 2.0	-2.4 / -2.5	1.3
	Ph (C _{2h})	1.3	1.9	-2.9	1.4
M = ²⁷ Al	H	6.1	1.5 / 1.9	-3.8 / -3.9	9.2
X = ⁷⁹ Br	Me	3.9	2.0 / 2.3	-3.1 / -2.7	8.9
	^t Bu	5.2	2.2 / 2.3	-3.0 / -2.7	9.3
	Ph	4.7	1.89 / 2.0	-2.4 / -2.5	5.1
	Ph (C _{2h})	1.7	1.9	-2.9	5.9
M = ²⁷ Al	H	6.3	1.6 / 1.9	-3.8 / -3.9	11.5
X = ¹²⁷ I	Me	4.1	2.0 / 2.3	-3.1 / -2.7	11.3
	^t Bu	5.3	2.1 / 2.3	-3.0 / -2.7	13.2
	Ph	4.2	1.8 / 2.0	-2.3 / -2.5	5.1
	Ph (C _{2h})	1.8	1.9	-2.9	6.7
M = ⁶⁹ Ga	H	7.3	1.8 / 2.0	-3.9 / -4.0	12.6
X = ¹⁹ F	Me	4.0	2.3 / 2.5	-3.1 / -2.6	12.4
	^t Bu	8.1	2.3 / 2.5	-3.0 / -2.7	13.4
	Ph	4.3	1.8 / 2.1	-2.4 / -2.6	9.1
	Ph (C _{2h})	-1.0	2.1	-2.9	9.5
M = ⁶⁹ Ga	H	10.6	1.9 / 2.1	-3.9 / -4.0	2.0
X = ³⁵ Cl	Me	7.1	2.3 / 2.6	-3.0 / -2.6	1.9
	^t Bu	10.3	2.4 / 2.5	-3.0 / -2.6	2.0
	Ph	6.0	1.9 / 2.2	-2.3 / -2.6	1.2
	Ph (C _{2h})	1.7	2.1	-2.8	1.4

Table S2 Continued

[(R-DAB)MX] ₂ ^{••}	R	M	¹⁴ N	¹ H	X
M = ⁶⁹ Ga	H	11.6	1.9 / 2.1	-3.9 / -4.1	8.3
X = ⁷⁹ Br	Me	8.3	2.4 / 2.6	-3.0 / -2.6	8.2
	^t Bu	10.9	2.4 / 2.5	-2.9 / -2.6	8.8
	Ph	6.3	1.9 / 2.1	-2.3 / -2.4	4.1
	Ph (C _{2h})	2.9	2.2	-2.8	5.6
M = ⁶⁹ Ga	H	12.7	1.9 / 2.1	-3.9 / -4.0	10.4
X = ¹²⁷ I	Me	9.5	2.3 / 2.6	-3.0 / -2.6	10.3
	^t Bu	11.2	2.4 / 2.5	-3.0 / -2.6	12.5
	Ph	10.8	1.9 / 2.2	-2.3 / -2.6	4.6
	Ph (C _{2h})	3.6	2.1	-2.8	6.6
M = ¹¹⁵ In	H	7.4	1.9 / 2.0	-3.9 / -4.0	8.1
X = ¹⁹ F	Me	2.3	2.4 / 2.6	-2.6 / -2.9	7.6
	^t Bu	16.9	2.3 / 2.5	-2.6 / -2.9	10.7
	Ph	6.5	2.0 / 2.2	-2.2 / -2.7	5.1
	Ph (C _{2h})	4.3	2.2	-2.6	5.7
M = ¹¹⁵ In	H	13.2	1.9 / 2.1	-3.9 / -4.0	1.4
X = ³⁵ Cl	Me	7.6	2.5 / 2.6	-2.6 / -2.9	1.3
	^t Bu	11.9	2.4 / 2.5	-2.6 / -2.9	1.5
	Ph	10.6	2.1 / 2.3	-2.2 / -2.6	0.8
	Ph (C _{2h})	4.3	2.2	-2.6	0.9
M = ¹¹⁵ In	H	14.7	2.0 / 2.1	-3.9 / -4.0	5.6
X = ⁷⁹ Br	Me	9.4	2.5 / 2.6	-2.6 / -2.9	5.3
	^t Bu	18.8	2.1 / 2.3	-2.7 / -2.9	6.7
	Ph	12.5	2.3	-2.2 / -2.6	3.3
	Ph (C _{2h})	5.7	2.0 / 2.1	-2.6	3.6
M = ¹¹⁵ In	H	17.8	2.0 / 2.1	-3.9 / -4.0	7.8
X = ¹²⁷ I	Me	12.1	2.5 / 2.6	-2.6 / -2.9	7.8
	^t Bu	20.1	2.4 / 2.5	-2.7 / -2.8	9.8
	Ph	15.9	2.2 / 2.3	-2.3 / -2.4	3.9
	Ph (C _{2h})	8.5	2.3	-2.6	4.5

^a Values reported in Gauss (1G = 0.1mT).

Table S3 Calculated and experimental geometrical parameters of monocyclic group 13 diazabutadiene complexes **6-M^R_X**^a

Parameter	Al ^{Ph} _I Calc.	Al ^{Dipp} _I Exptl. ^b	Ga ^{tBu} _I Calc.	Ga ^{tBu} _I Exptl. ^b	Ga ^{Ph} _I Calc.	Ga ^{Dipp} _I Exptl. ^c	In ^{Ph} _{Cl} Calc.	In ^{Dipp} _{Cl} Exptl. ^d
r MN	1.918	1.889	1.965	1.931	1.971	1.945	2.164	2.193
r NC(1)	1.332	1.337	1.328	1.337	1.329	1.339	1.328	1.331
r NC(2)	1.421	1.445	1.475	1.488	1.418	1.437	1.418	1.439
r C(1)C(1*)	1.399	1.409	1.398	1.450	1.399	1.404	1.402	1.384
r MX	2.507	2.514	2.537	2.531	2.517	2.519	2.337	236.4
∠ XMX*	116.2	110.8	115.1	109.3	117.1	112.3	117.5	111.5
∠ XMN	112.8	114.2	113.1	114.8	112.8	114.0	113.7	112.3
∠ MNC(1)	110.2	108.9	108.3	109.6	110.2	109.1	110.5	110.9
∠ NMN	85.7	87.4	85.8	87.1	84.0	85.7	78.5	77.0
∠ MNC(2)	129.5	130.5	130.9	129.6	128.6	129.2	129.0	128.6
∠ NC(1)C(1*)	116.9	116.7	118.8	116.9	117.8	117.6	120.2	119.8

^a Average values of experimental parameters are reported. ^b Reference 11e. ^c Reference 11d. ^d Reference 11h.

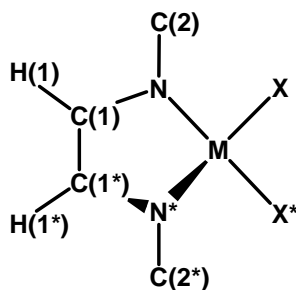


Table S4 Calculated and experimental geometrical parameters of dimeric group 13 diazabutadiene diradicals $7\text{-M}^{\text{R}}_{\text{I}}$ ^a

Parameter	$\text{Ga}^{\text{tBu}}_{\text{I}}$ Calc.	$\text{Ga}^{\text{tBu}}_{\text{I}}$ Exptl. ^b	$\text{Ga}^{\text{Ph}}_{\text{Br}}$ Calc.	$\text{Ga}^{\text{Dipp}}_{\text{Br}}$ Exptl. ^c	$\text{Ga}^{\text{Ph}}_{\text{I}}$ Calc.	$\text{Ga}^{\text{Dipp}}_{\text{I}}$ Exptl. ^c	$\text{In}^{\text{Dipp}}_{\text{Cl}}$ Calc.	$\text{In}^{\text{Dipp}}_{\text{Cl}}$ Exptl. ^d
r MM*	2.433	2.423	2.454	2.466	2.462	2.576	2.742	2.727
r MX	2.618	2.617	2.377	2.374	2.586	2.586	2.387	2.409
r MN(1)	1.986	1.968	1.999	1.982	2.000	1.997	2.198	2.168
r MN(2)	1.997	1.966	-	-	-	-	-	-
r N(1)C(1)	1.327	1.334	1.331	1.343	1.332	1.336	1.330	1.324
r N(2)C(2)	1.328	1.322	-	-	-	-	-	-
r C(1)C(2)	1.397	1.395	1.392	1.385	1.391	1.411	1.394	1.410
r N(1)C(3)	1.475	1.483	1.405	1.434	1.405	1.445	1.399	1.444
r N(2)C(4)	1.472	1.484	-	-	-	-	-	-
∠ XMM*	119.4	115.2	112.5	113.2	112.3	113.8	114.9	118.8
∠ N(1)MN(2)	84.2	85.2	82.7	83.9	82.8	84.0	77.4	78.7
∠ N(1)MM	97.2	116.3	124.0	123.2	123.8	121.8	125.2	122.2
∠ N(2)MM	128.8	124.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
∠ C(1)N(1)M	115.4	109.0	109.6	134.2	109.6	109.9	110.1	110.2
∠ C(2)N(2)M	109.2	108.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
∠ C(1)C(2)N(2)	118.5	118.7	118.1	118.1	118.8	117.4	120.6	120.4
∠ C(2)C(1)N(1)	118.8	118.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
∠ MN(1)C(3)	130.0	131.2	129.7	131.0	129.8	131.8	128.4	130.2
∠ MN(2)C(4)	127.7	131.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
d XMM*X*	81.7	72.8	180.0	180.0	180.0	180.0	180.0	180.0

^a Average values of experimental parameters are reported. ^b Reference 11e. ^c Reference 11d. ^d Reference 11f.

