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Synthesis and Electronic Properties of a Pentafluoroethyl-Derivatized Nickel Pincer Complex

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Table S1: Optimized Cartesian coordinates for [LNi-Cl] (6):

Row	Symb	ol X	Y	Z
1	Ni	16.1725119	1.5248304	-2.2635694
2	Cl	17.8056568	2.2323533	-3.6115884
3	Ν	14.8165477	0.9369325	-1.1439996
4	Ν	16.4350219	2.9926713	-0.9521012
5	Ν	15.7120205	-0.0275554	-3.4134782
6	С	16.0763270	4.2870900	-1.6038514

7	С	17.8544667	3.0328191	-0.4860222
8	С	16.8601921	-0.9818706	-3.4133735
9	С	15.4211007	0.4194872	-4.8094320
10	С	14.5100568	-0.6632015	-2.8348120
11	С	13.8712339	-1.7374894	-3.4424963
12	С	12.6928559	-2.2527910	-2.8966698
13	С	12.1614286	-1.6485023	-1.7568747
14	С	12.8060411	-0.5817196	-1.1337589
15	С	14.0311860	-0.0861570	-1.6379332
16	С	14.7208444	1.5821020	0.0734038
17	С	13.9578430	1.2186735	1.2077076
18	С	13.9665662	2.0121605	2.3531739
19	С	14.7298981	3.1779541	2.4233624
20	С	15.5348046	3.5203195	1.3338940
21	С	15.5430509	2.7238737	0.1949690
22	н	16.2102626	5.1192684	-0.9019064
23	н	15.0301340	4.2464559	-1.9137009
24	н	16.7139122	4.4282101	-2.4769877
25	н	18.0001796	3.8515951	0.2277645
26	н	18.5052947	3.1680810	-1.3482569
27	н	18.0886360	2.0859929	0.0046015
28	н	16.6325982	-1.8544204	-4.0380043
29	н	17.0411968	-1.3135537	-2.3889689
30	н	17.7430652	-0.4689585	-3.7960018
31	н	14.5667481	1.0989415	-4.7878639

32	Н	15.1795742	-0.4406925	-5.4440668
33	н	16.2926573	0.9406888	-5.2017018
34	н	14.2761905	-2.1732373	-4.3514991
35	Н	12.1918043	-3.0919353	-3.3688629
36	Н	11.2219000	-2.0055677	-1.3425124
37	Н	12.3321515	-0.1096481	-0.2853714
38	Н	13.3941110	0.2971202	1.2160601
39	Н	13.3678924	1.7044508	3.2068699
40	Н	14.7211576	3.7983590	3.3139868
41	Н	16.1629745	4.4048762	1.3888630

Table S2: Optimized Cartesian coordinates for [LNi-CF₃] (7):

Row	Symbo	DI X	Y	Z
1	Ni	11.4018999	-7.0218891	4.3872790
2	F	13.4643774	-8.4471446	3.2636566
3	F	13.7586374	-8.1885217	5.4173557
4	F	12.4357082	-9.7222106	4.6696147
5	Ν	10.1209203	-5.6609186	4.1504253
6	Ν	12.7121828	-5.4718303	4.4281399
7	Ν	9.8187697	-8.2397976	4.5389482
8	С	12.7768088	-8.3964377	4.4578341
9	С	12.9125370	-5.2195568	5.8904905
10	С	14.0401534	-5.6705387	3.7820063
11	С	9.8723050	-8.9620036	5.8474027
12	С	9.7834525	-9.2056458	3.3998313

13	С	12.0107083	-4.3097512	3.8325171
14	С	12.6609304	-3.1405145	3.4551543
15	С	11.9396612	-2.0850924	2.8876253
16	С	10.5666636	-2.2320238	2.6959265
17	С	9.9033130	-3.3908599	3.0950493
18	С	10.6094069	-4.4512968	3.7064531
19	С	8.8044216	-6.0167284	4.3375440
20	С	8.5967085	-7.4013855	4.5130976
21	С	7.3257422	-7.9393193	4.6811500
22	С	6.2086150	-7.1010128	4.7208914
23	С	6.3986227	-5.7220022	4.6162739
24	С	7.6679201	-5.1786805	4.4326540
25	Н	11.9434281	-5.0181081	6.3499020
26	Н	13.5663590	-4.3499321	6.0360504
27	Н	13.3646566	-6.1024353	6.3422693
28	Н	14.6759346	-4.7920014	3.9331955
29	Н	13.8964044	-5.8368889	2.7142725
30	Н	14.5286954	-6.5315312	4.2253404
31	Н	9.0071594	-9.6261785	5.9567188
32	Н	9.8508929	-8.2235328	6.6514549
33	Н	10.7856895	-9.5466066	5.8994336
34	Н	9.7275372	-8.6400613	2.4676871
35	Н	8.9038909	-9.8563802	3.4745848
36	Н	10.6854909	-9.8122818	3.4143970
37	н	13.7328316	-3.0357579	3.5835643

38	Н	12.4517476	-1.1769732	2.5852576
39	Н	9.9969553	-1.4380325	2.2194386
40	Н	8.8475399	-3.4924550	2.8847506
41	Н	7.1931606	-9.0115348	4.7945277
42	Н	5.2156596	-7.5192978	4.8525391
43	Н	5.5456751	-5.0513410	4.6851346
44	Н	7.7819319	-4.1035694	4.4042034

Table S3: Optimized Cartesian coordinates for $[LNi-CI]^+$ (9):

Row	Symbo	DIX Y	Z	
1	Ni	16.1756623	1.5276904	-2.2680653
2	Cl	17.7654580	2.2187416	-3.5822087
3	Ν	14.8267014	0.9436529	-1.1548825
4	Ν	16.4197014	3.0150769	-0.9708924
5	Ν	15.7373021	-0.0450776	-3.4037537
6	С	15.9941972	4.2985476	-1.6221510
7	С	17.8478452	3.1215415	-0.5155486
8	С	16.8760107	-1.0206506	-3.3387265
9	С	15.4881666	0.3545746	-4.8306492
10	С	14.5125942	-0.6427827	-2.8453289
11	С	13.8534323	-1.7103565	-3.4373213
12	С	12.6469379	-2.1666626	-2.8932932
13	С	12.0926360	-1.5286359	-1.7773580
14	С	12.7580416	-0.4772665	-1.1615044
15	С	14.0120436	-0.0506253	-1.6608292

16	С	14.7542054	1.5553467	0.0816733
17	С	14.0258290	1.1249914	1.2166164
18	С	14.0359118	1.8924629	2.3734919
19	С	14.7657584	3.0856378	2.4307681
20	С	15.5433282	3.4877200	1.3382755
21	С	15.5615381	2.7133040	0.1873266
22	Н	16.1018529	5.1324453	-0.9204335
23	Н	14.9488578	4.2163681	-1.9265649
24	Н	16.6212959	4.4653008	-2.4974845
25	н	17.9578147	3.9474779	0.1934424
26	н	18.4781690	3.2927092	-1.3852425
27	н	18.1372728	2.1867387	-0.0319093
28	Н	16.6488154	-1.9075553	-3.9397353
29	н	17.0330565	-1.3194382	-2.3003675
30	н	17.7713775	-0.5316278	-3.7214991
31	н	14.6512296	1.0545740	-4.8626774
32	н	15.2498245	-0.5265769	-5.4336392
33	н	16.3827929	0.8372599	-5.2170740
34	Н	14.2508334	-2.1864654	-4.3272021
35	н	12.1277200	-2.9967024	-3.3613132
36	н	11.1286663	-1.8473435	-1.3939191
37	н	12.2876142	0.0419207	-0.3382717
38	н	13.5050082	0.1777547	1.2102946
39	Н	13.4809132	1.5543021	3.2426637
40	н	14.7580445	3.6874049	3.3337713

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Row	Symbo	DIX Y	Z	
1	Ni	11.3892924	-6.9893052	4.4351998
2	Ν	10.0908971	-5.6297142	4.1584618
3	Ν	12.7069254	-5.4779602	4.3944962
4	Ν	9.8268084	-8.2245166	4.5728669
5	С	12.7464981	-8.3791676	4.6004723
6	С	13.0870203	-5.2257383	5.8152874
7	С	13.9281009	-5.7565013	3.5936602
8	С	9.8456310	-8.9210996	5.8910606
9	С	9.8612611	-9.2171904	3.4625692
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11	С	12.6565650	-3.1148936	3.5295762
12	С	11.9475982	-2.0273789	3.0101940
13	С	10.5709521	-2.1531270	2.8231713
14	С	9.8952198	-3.3175852	3.1813001
15	С	10.5865875	-4.4149798	3.7499141
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17	С	8.5931991	-7.4055815	4.4844542
18	С	7.3281152	-7.9682029	4.6098012
19	С	6.1898803	-7.1574200	4.5992438
20	С	6.3537441	-5.7755380	4.4900658
21	С	7.6163265	-5.2050192	4.3487501

Table S4: Optimized Cartesian coordinates for [LNi-Me]:

22	Н	12.1845290	-4.9994431	6.3855103
23	н	13.7772621	-4.3743782	5.8838055
24	Н	13.5637110	-6.1167065	6.2277524
25	н	14.6411793	-4.9260427	3.6531691
26	н	13.6422123	-5.9086806	2.5514032
27	н	14.4081247	-6.6569098	3.9717189
28	н	8.9921185	-9.6034917	5.9858711
29	н	9.7889238	-8.1718941	6.6829008
30	н	10.7699678	-9.4867413	5.9947871
31	н	9.8083073	-8.6817225	2.5128944
32	н	9.0127059	-9.9102207	3.5292758
33	н	10.7928304	-9.7817877	3.5082311
34	н	13.7320150	-3.0345090	3.6565655
35	н	12.4676659	-1.1130440	2.7418057
36	н	10.0068300	-1.3338261	2.3837493
37	н	8.8372682	-3.3927463	2.9727923
38	н	7.2164484	-9.0425544	4.7289874
39	н	5.2023319	-7.5976500	4.6964318
40	н	5.4842183	-5.1232443	4.5217312
41	н	7.7030974	-4.1277387	4.3197228
42	н	13.5394318	-8.1287527	5.3230389
43	Н	12.3805638	-9.3694942	4.9025864
44	н	13.2437815	-8.5296001	3.6278117

Table S6: Total energies of all optimized structures (a.u.)

- [LNi-Cl] (**6**): -2754.38184332
- [LNi-CF₃] (**7**): -2631.75949400
- [LNi-Cl]⁺ (**9**): -2754.16044407
- [LNi-Me]: -2334.02099085

NMR Data for complex 8:

Figure S1: ¹H NMR spectrum in C₆D₆:



Figure S2: ¹³C{¹H} NMR in THF





