

A readily accessible ruthenium catalyst for the solvolytic dehydrogenation of amine–borane adducts.

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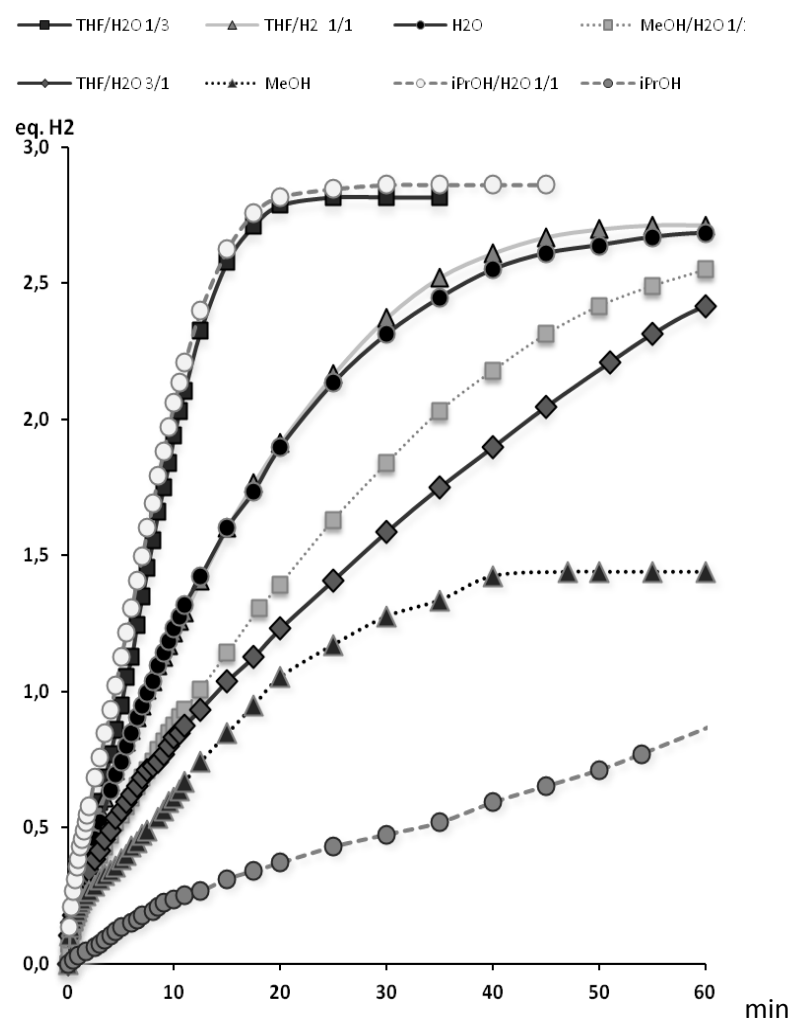


Fig. S1 .Solvents analysis. Reaction conditions: 1.38 mmol AB, 0.5 mol % [Ru(*p*-Cym)(bipy)Cl]Cl, 3 mL solvent, rt.

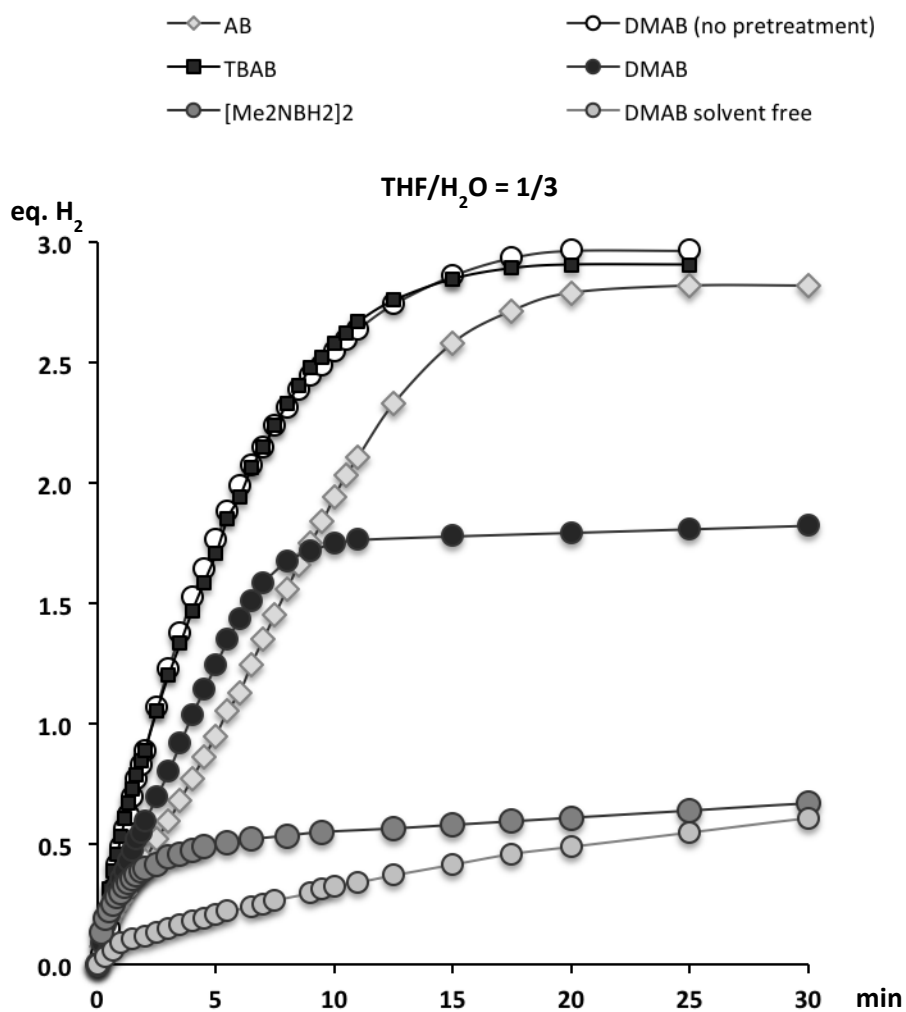


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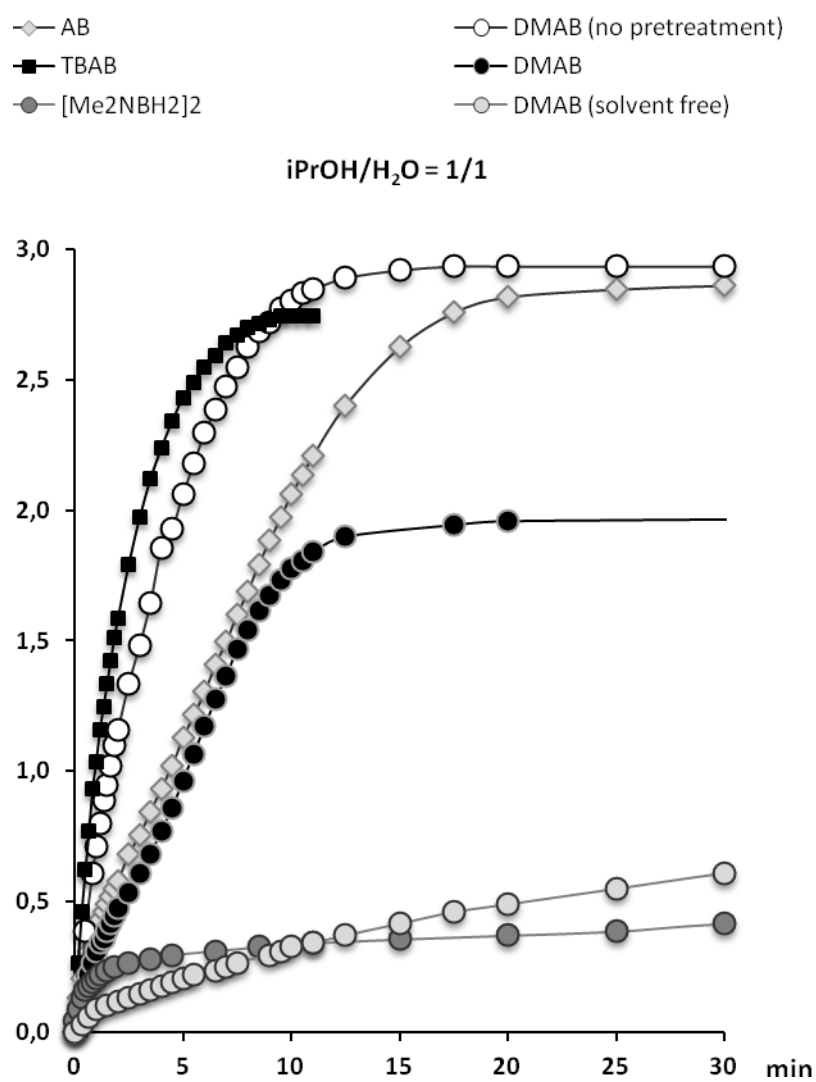


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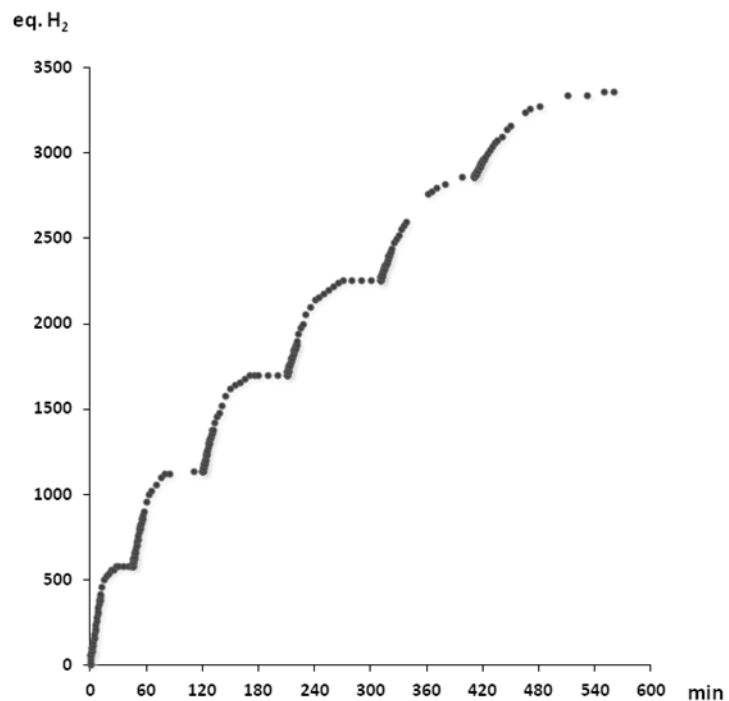


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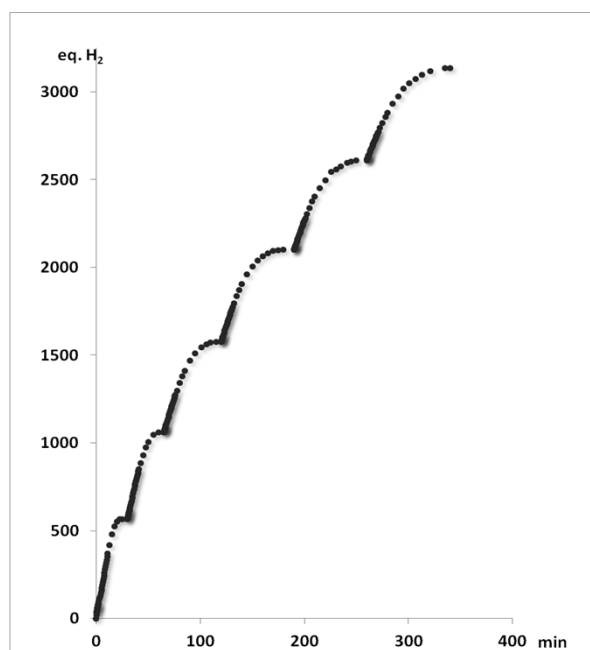


Fig. S5 Reaction profile (equivalents of H₂ per mole of Ru evolved vs time) in 6 successive cycles. Reaction conditions (first cycle): 1.38 mmol AB, 0.5 mol % [Ru(*p*-Cym)(bipy)Cl]Cl, 3 mL iPrOH/H₂O 1/1, rt. Successive additions of 1.38 mmol AB in 0.5 mL of THF/H₂O 1/3.

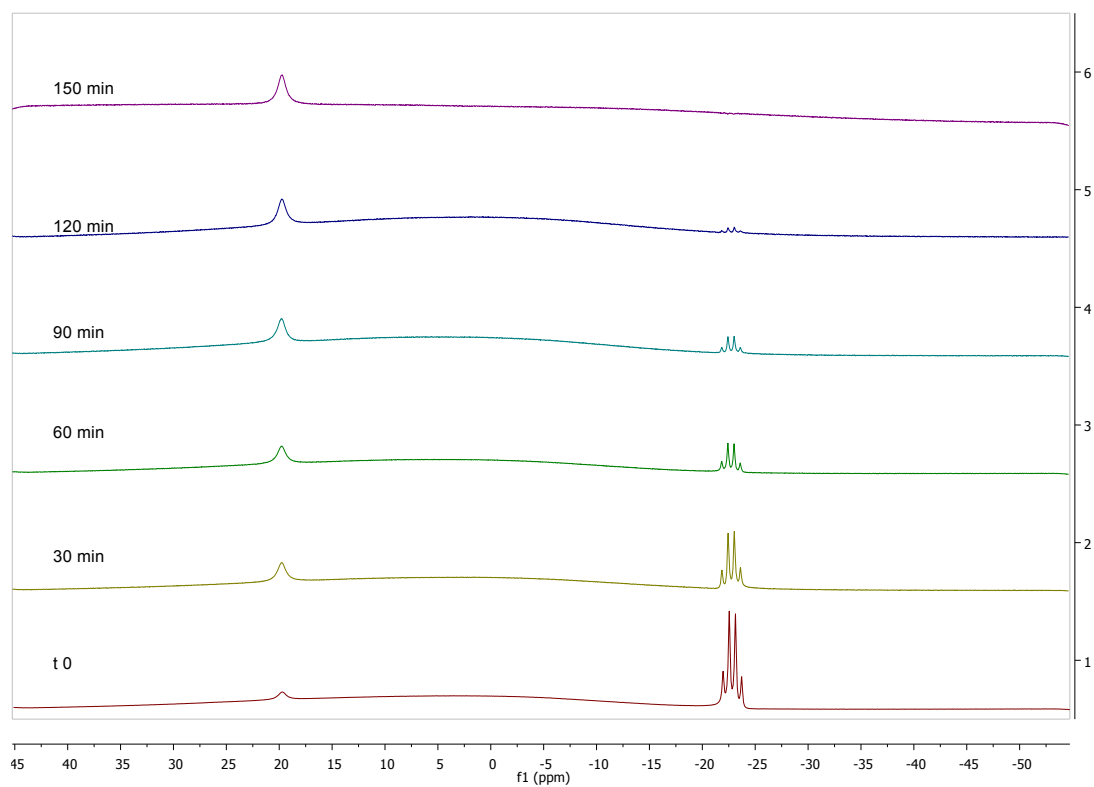


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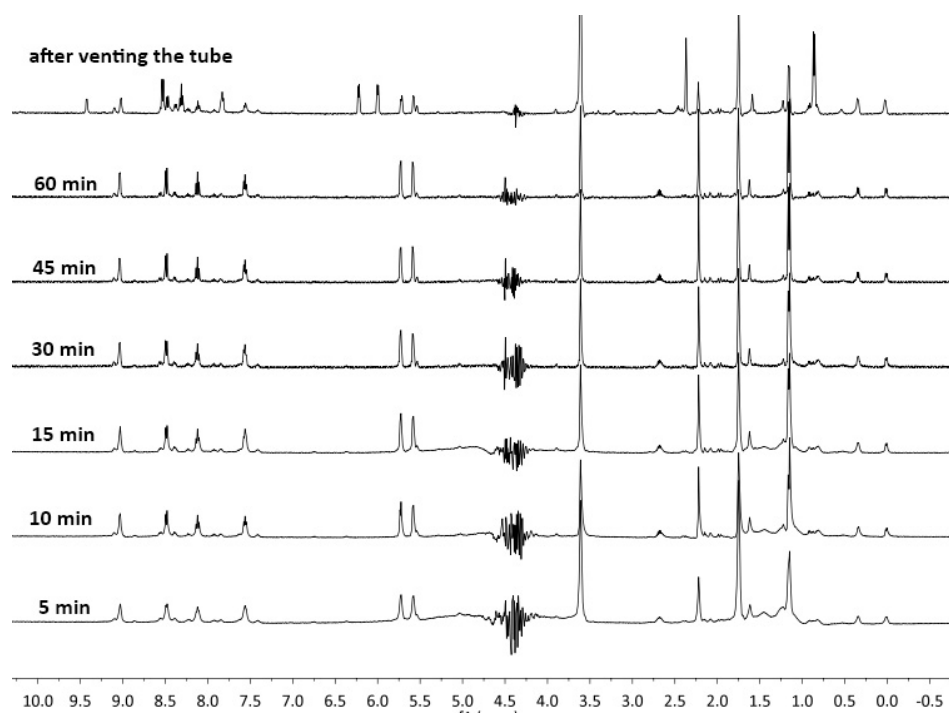


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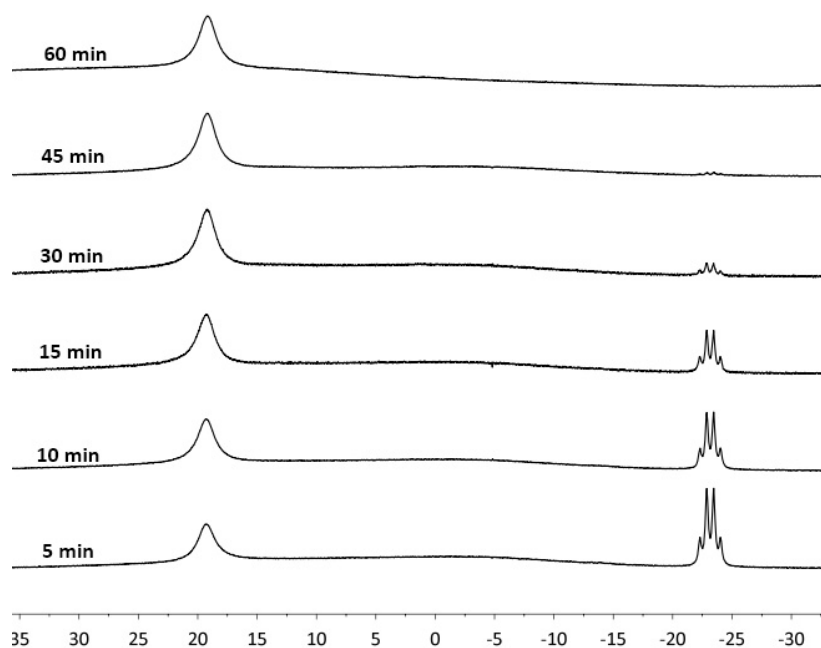


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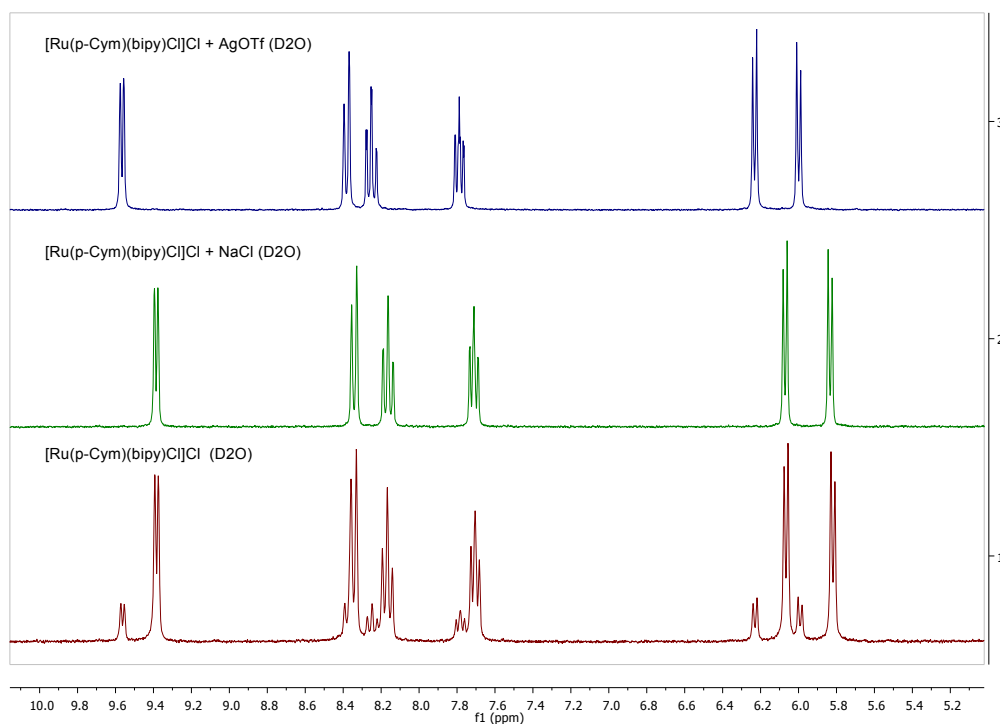


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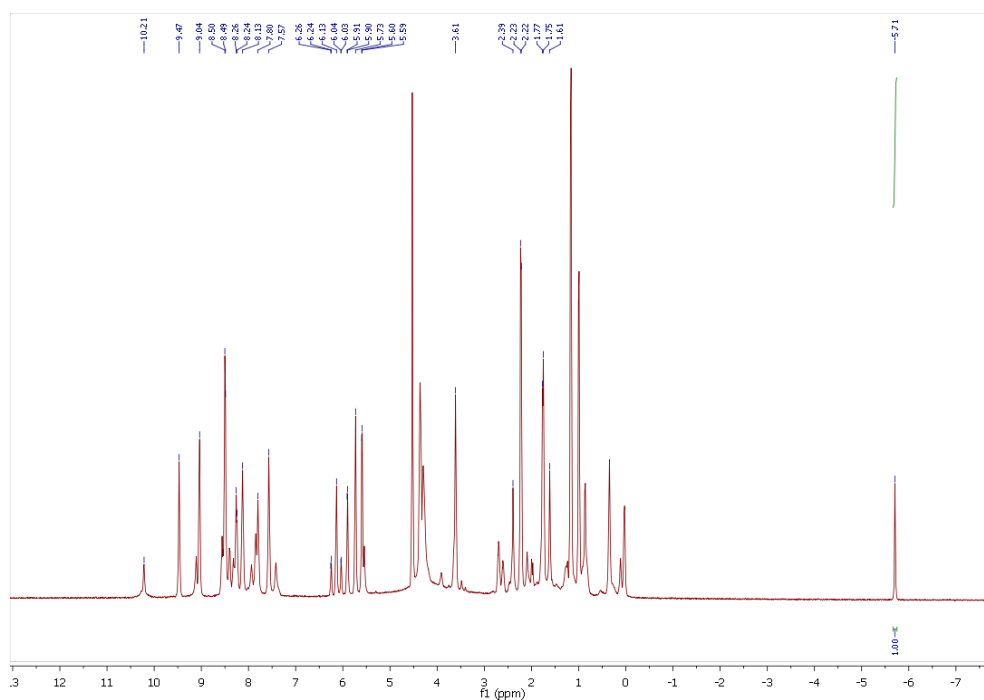


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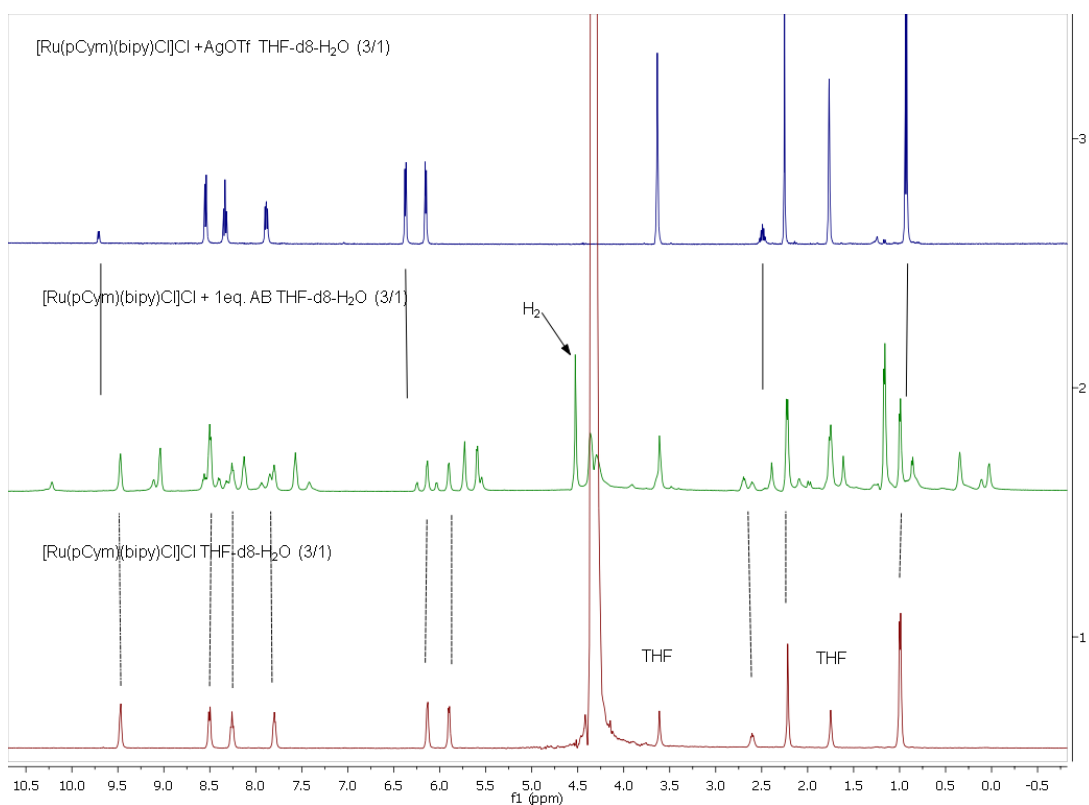


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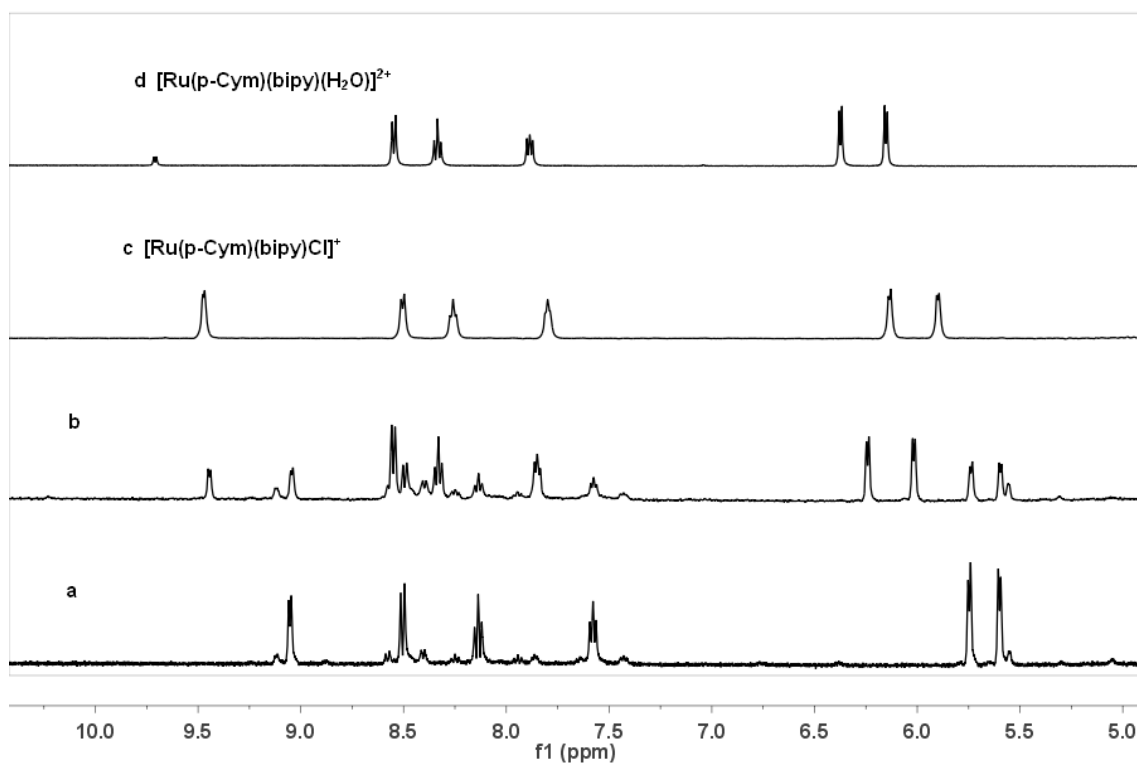


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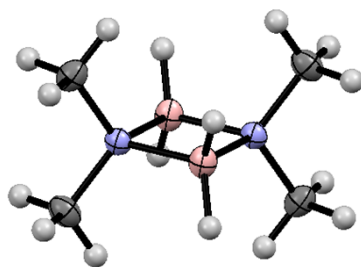


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Crystal Data

Formula	C4 H16 B2 N2
Formula Weight	113.81
Crystal System	Triclinic
Space group	P-1 (No. 2)
a, b, c [Angstrom]	5.8241(12) 6.0130(13) 6.2338(13)
alpha, beta, gamma [deg]	80.299(18) 81.535(17) 65.94(2)
V [Ang**3]	195.74(8)
Z	1
D(calc) [g/cm**3]	0.965
Mu(CuKa) [/mm]	0.408
F(000)	64
Crystal Size [mm]	0.00 x 0.00 x 0.00

Data Collection

Temperature (K)	100
Radiation [Angstrom]	CuKa 1.54184
Theta Min-Max [Deg]	7.2, 62.4
Dataset	-5: 6 ; -6: 6 ; -7: 7

Tot., Uniq. Data, R(int)	969, 619, 0.027
Observed data [$I > 2.0 \sigma(I)$]	513
Refinement	
Nref, Npar	619, 47
R, wR2, S	0.0387, 0.0905, 1.09
$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0341P)^2 + 0.0338P]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$	
Max. and Av. Shift/Error	0.00, 0.00
Min. and Max. Resd. Dens. [e/Ang^3]	-0.14, 0.13

Table S2 - Final Coordinates and Equivalent Isotropic Displacement
Parameters of the non-Hydrogen atoms
for: a2014197_martin1 R = 0.04

Atom	x	y	z	U(eq) [Ang^2]
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N1	0.4753(2)	0.1413(2)	-0.15659(19)	0.0199(4)
C1	0.6823(3)	0.1647(3)	-0.3128(2)	0.0287(5)
C2	0.2326(3)	0.3265(3)	-0.2279(2)	0.0270(5)
B1	0.5140(3)	0.1324(3)	0.0947(3)	0.0238(5)

U(eq) = 1/3 of the trace of the orthogonalized U Tensor

Table S3 - Hydrogen Atom Positions and Isotropic Displacement
Parameters
for: a2014197_martin1 R = 0.04

Atom	x	y	z	U(iso) [Ang^2]
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H1A	0.65970	0.13930	-0.45820	0.0430
H1B	0.84400	0.04140	-0.26580	0.0430
H1C	0.68110	0.32910	-0.31820	0.0430
H1D	0.694(3)	0.137(3)	0.113(3)	0.025(4)
H1E	0.344(3)	0.267(3)	0.177(3)	0.026(4)
H2A	0.22940	0.49100	-0.22960	0.0400
H2B	0.09420	0.30810	-0.12660	0.0400

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H2C 0.21270 0.30350 -0.37510 0.0400

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The Temperature Factor has the Form of $\text{Exp}(-T)$ Where
 $T = 8 * (\text{Pi} ** 2) * U * (\text{Sin}(\text{Theta}) / \text{Lambda}) ** 2$ for Isotropic Atoms

Table S4 - (An)isotropic Displacement Parameters
 for: a2014197_martin1 R = 0.04

Atom	U(1,1) or U	U(2,2)	U(3,3)	U(2,3)	U(1,3)	U(1,2)
N1	0.0235(7)	0.0207(6)	0.0162(6)	-0.0038(4)	-0.0020(5)	-0.0086(5)
C1	0.0319(9)	0.0348(8)	0.0236(8)	-0.0070(6)	0.0016(6)	-0.0173(7)
C2	0.0309(9)	0.0231(8)	0.0259(8)	-0.0044(6)	-0.0074(6)	-0.0074(7)
B1	0.0336(10)	0.0220(9)	0.0179(9)	-0.0041(6)	-0.0053(7)	-0.0115(7)

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The Temperature Factor has the Form of $\text{Exp}(-T)$ Where
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 $T = 2 * (\text{Pi} ** 2) * \text{Sum}_{ij} (h(i) * h(j) * U(i,j) * \text{Astar}(i) * \text{Astar}(j))$, for
 Anisotropic Atoms. Astar(i) are Reciprocal Axial Lengths and
 h(i) are the Reflection Indices.

Table S5 - Bond Distances (Angstrom)
 for: a2014197_martin1 R = 0.04

N1	-C1	1.472(2)	C1	-H1C	0.9800
N1	-C2	1.473(2)	C2	-H2A	0.9800
N1	-B1	1.604(2)	C2	-H2B	0.9800
N1	-B1_a	1.603(2)	C2	-H2C	0.9800
C1	-H1A	0.9800	B1	-H1D	1.083(19)
C1	-H1B	0.9800	B1	-H1E	1.112(18)

Table S6 - Bond Angles (Degrees)
 for: a2014197_martin1 R = 0.04

C1	-N1	-C2	109.32(11)	N1	-C2	-H2A	109.00
C1	-N1	-B1	114.59(12)	H2A	-C2	-H2B	109.00
C1	-N1	-B1_a	115.03(12)	N1	-C2	-H2B	109.00

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C2	-N1	-B1	114.61(11)	N1	-C2	-H2C	109.00
C2	-N1	-B1_a	115.16(13)	H2A	-C2	-H2C	109.00
B1	-N1	-B1_a	86.81(11)	H2B	-C2	-H2C	109.00
N1	-C1	-H1C	109.00	N1	-B1	-N1_a	93.19(11)
N1	-C1	-H1A	109.00	N1	-B1	-H1D	111.8(10)
N1	-C1	-H1B	109.00	N1	-B1	-H1E	110.7(10)
H1B	-C1	-H1C	109.00	H1D	-B1	-H1E	116.8(13)
H1A	-C1	-H1B	110.00	N1_a	-B1	-H1D	110.5(9)
H1A	-C1	-H1C	109.00	N1_a	-B1	-H1E	111.5(9)

Table S7 - Torsion Angles (Degrees)
for: a2014197_martin1 R = 0.04

C1	-N1	-B1	-N1_a	-116.13(13)
C2	-N1	-B1	-N1_a	116.29(13)
B1_a	-N1	-B1	-N1_a	0.00(11)
C1_a	-N1_a	-B1	-N1	-115.72(13)
C2_a	-N1_a	-B1	-N1	115.76(12)
B1_a	-N1_a	-B1	-N1	0.00(10)

Table S8 - Contact Distances(Angstrom)
for: a2014197_martin1 R = 0.04

H1A	.H2C	2.3900	H1E	.H2B	2.4700
H1B	.H1D	2.4700	H1E	.H1B_a	2.4600
H1B	.H1E_a	2.4600	H2A	.H1C	2.4200
H1C	.H2A	2.4200	H2B	.H1E	2.4700
H1D	.H1B	2.4700	H2B	.H1D_a	2.4400
H1D	.H2B_a	2.4400	H2C	.H1A	2.3900

Translation of Symmetry Code to Equiv.Pos

Supporting Information

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