

## Supporting Information

# Non-covalent interactions in coinage metal complexes of 1,2,4-triazole-based *N*-heterocyclic carbenes

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**Table S1.** Crystallographic data for **2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8** and **9**

<b>Compound</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3·C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>8</sub></b>	<b>4·C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub></b>	<b>5·0.5 C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub></b>
chem formula	C <sub>42</sub> H <sub>52</sub> AgIN <sub>8</sub>	C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>26</sub> AuClN <sub>4</sub> ·C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>8</sub>	C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>26</sub> AuBrN <sub>4</sub> ·C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>26</sub> AuIN <sub>4</sub> ·0.5 C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>
cryst syst	monoclinic	monoclinic	orthorhombic	monoclinic
space group	<i>C2/c</i>	<i>P2<sub>1</sub>/c</i>	<i>Pca2<sub>1</sub></i>	<i>P2<sub>1</sub>/c</i>
a/Å	21.4227(11)	14.5680(4)	19.9850(5)	13.95419(10)
b/Å	8.8240(4)	11.8901(10)	8.5330(18)	14.5710(5)
c/Å	23.7341(6)	17.570(1)	31.1480(12)	14.1930(8)
α/deg	90	90	90	90
β/deg	111.380(3)	118.093(4)	90	119.557(5)
γ/deg	90	90	90	90
Z	4	4	8	4
unit cell volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	4177.8(3)	2684.8(3)	5311.7(11)	2436.1(3)
density/g.cm <sup>-3</sup>	1.437	1.630	1.724	1.901
abs coeff, μ/mm <sup>-1</sup>	1.26	5.60	7.07	7.32
F(000)	1840	1304	2688	1332
h; k; l – min, max	-27, 25; -10, 11; -30, 30	-18, 18; -14, 15; -22, 19	-25, 19; -10, 10; -38, 36	-17, 14; -18, 18; -17, 18
θ <sub>min; max</sub> /deg	1.8; 27.5	2.2; 27.5	4.1; 26.4	1.7; 27.5
reflections	19021	26335	46503	20514
total (R <sub>int</sub> ) <sup>a</sup>	4705 (0.038)	6121 (0.110)	10365 (0.152)	5559 (0.060)
observed [I>2σ(I)]	3950	5108	9472	4762
no. of parameters	236	307	569	271
max/min ρ/eÅ <sup>-3</sup>	1.15; -1.08	4.33; -2.44	2.17; -2.15	6.43; -2.28
goodness of fit on F <sup>2b</sup>	1.10	1.13	1.09	1.08
final R1 values (I>2σ(I)) <sup>c</sup>	0.040	0.041	0.047	0.044
final wR2 values (I>2σ(I))	0.087	0.117	0.121	0.113

<sup>a</sup>  $R_{\text{int}} = \sum |F_o^2 - F_{o,\text{mean}}^2| / \sum F_o^2$ . <sup>b</sup>  $S = [\sum (w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2) / (N_{\text{diff.}} - N_{\text{param.}})]^{1/2}$ . <sup>c</sup> Weighting scheme :  $w = [\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (w_1P)^2 + w_2P]^{-1}$ , where  $P = [\max(F_o^2) + 2F_c^2]$ ,  $R(F) = \sum ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \sum |F_o|$ ,  $wR(F^2) = [\sum (w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2) / (\sum w(F_o^2)^2)]^{1/2}$

**Table S1** continued

Compound	7	8	9Cu/Br·C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O
chem formula	C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>21</sub> AgClN <sub>3</sub>	C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>21</sub> AuClN <sub>3</sub>	C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>21</sub> Br <sub>0.5</sub> Cl <sub>0.5</sub> CuN <sub>3</sub> ·1.5 C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O
cryst syst	triclinic	triclinic	monoclinic
space group	<i>P</i> -1	<i>P</i> -1	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i>
<i>a</i> /Å	8.9450(3)	8.9260(3)	9.2450(9)
<i>b</i> /Å	10.9861(7)	11.0071(6)	16.2720(14)
<i>c</i> /Å	10.9950(6)	11.0108(8)	17.9170(5)
$\alpha$ /deg	62.599(4)	62.047(5)	90
$\beta$ /deg	72.338(3)	71.966(6)	111.442(4)
$\gamma$ /deg	80.124(3)	80.177(5)	90
<i>Z</i>	2	2	4
unit cell volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	913.39(8)	908.82(10)	2508.8(3)
density/g.cm <sup>-3</sup>	1.581	1.914	1.283
abs coeff, $\mu$ /mm <sup>-1</sup>	1.25	8.25	1.74
F(000)	440	504	1004
<i>h</i> ; <i>k</i> ; <i>l</i> – min, max	-10, 11; -14, 14; -14, 14	-11, 11; -14, 14; -14, 14	-12, 11; -21, 20; -23, 23
$\theta_{\min, \max}$ /deg	2.1; 27.5	3.2; 28.5	4.2; 26.4
reflections	19018	19132	23685
total ( <i>R</i> <sub>int</sub> ) <sup>a</sup>	4169 (0.035)	4560 (0.060)	5080 (0.049)
observed [ <i>I</i> >2 $\sigma$ ( <i>I</i> )]	3963	4364	4206
no. of parameters	217	217	281
max/min $\rho$ /e Å <sup>-3</sup>	1.84; -0.86	1.48; -2.22	0.48; -0.45
goodness of fit on F <sup>2b</sup>	1.07	1.13	1.09
final <i>R</i> 1 values ( <i>I</i> >2 $\sigma$ ( <i>I</i> )) <sup>c</sup>	0.032	0.024	0.042
final w <i>R</i> 2 values ( <i>I</i> >2 $\sigma$ ( <i>I</i> ))	0.092	0.062	0.102

<sup>a</sup>  $R_{\text{int}} = \sum |F_o^2 - F_{o,\text{mean}}^2| / \sum F_o^2$ . <sup>b</sup>  $S = [\sum (w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2) / (N_{\text{diff.}} - N_{\text{param.}})]^{1/2}$ . <sup>c</sup> Weighting scheme :  $w = [\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (w_1P)^2 + w_2P]^{-1}$ , where  $P = [\max(F_o^2) + 2F_c^2]$ ,  $R(F) = \sum ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \sum |F_o|$ ,  $wR(F^2) = [\sum (w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2) / (\sum w(F_o^2)^2)]^{1/2}$