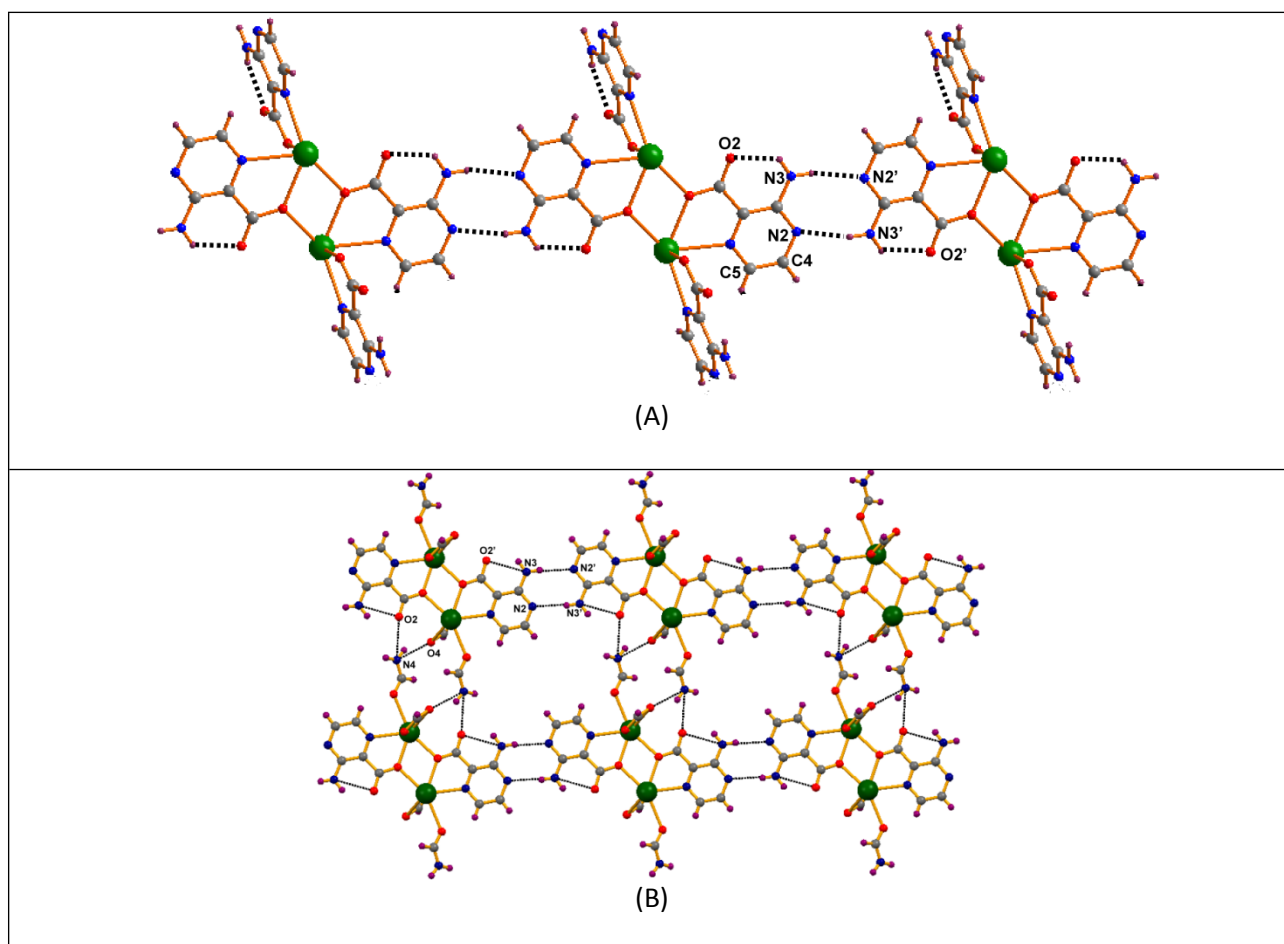


## Supporting Information

### Synthesis, Structure and Catalytic Application of Lead(II) Complexes in Cyanosilylation Reaction

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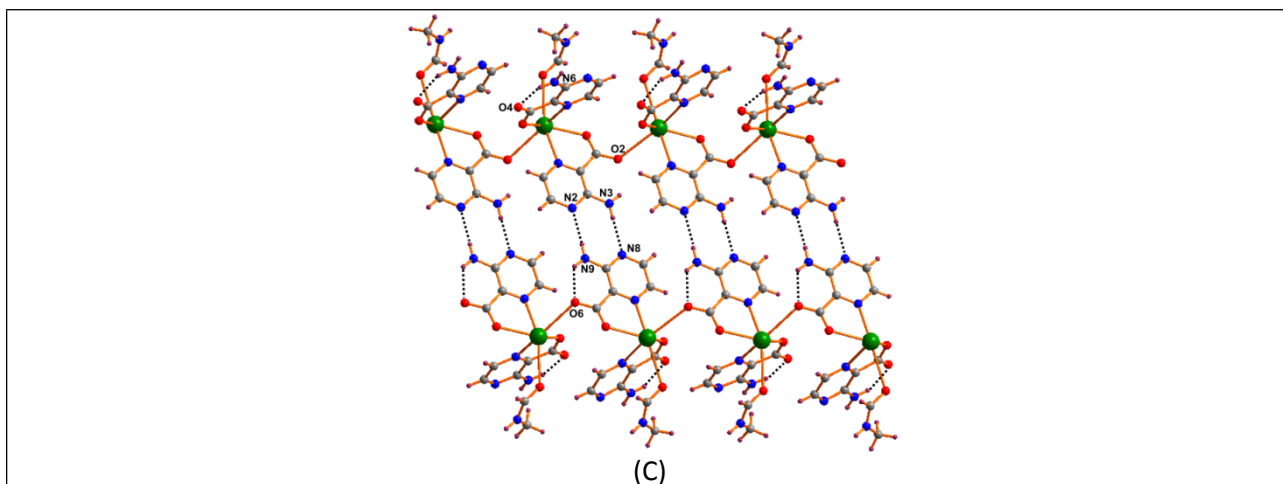


Fig. S1 Intra- and intermolecular H-bond interactions leading to infinite 1D chains in **1** (A), and 2D sheets in **2** (B) and **3** (C)

### Thermogravimetric analyses

Thermogravimetric analyses were carried out under dinitrogen in the range from room temperature to *ca.* 700 °C at a heating rate of 10 °C min<sup>-1</sup>. Features of the thermal stability of complexes **1-6** are illustrated in Fig. S2.

Complexes **1** and **3** show a single step decomposition, the former with a weight loss of 28.4% within 291-402 °C, most likely due to loss of two ligand molecules (calcd: 28.5%), whereas the latter shows a decrease of 23.2% of its weight within 286-381 °C due to the loss of two N-methylformamides and a L1 ligand (calcd: 23.6%).

Complex **2** shows two step decompositions and loses 5.5% of its weight within 112-156 °C, most likely due to loss of one formamide molecule (calcd: 5.1%). The residue remains stable up to about 190 °C and then starts to release another formamide molecule and two formate anions until 330 °C, which corresponds to a weight loss of 15.9 % (calcd. weight loss 16.3 %) and then gradually decomposes until 396 °C.

Complex **4** exhibits a weight loss of 16.8 % in the 122-301 °C temperature range, which accounts for the total removal of 2.5 molecules of dimethylformamide and a water molecule from the lattice (calcd: 17.1%). The remaining material then starts to decompose from 302 °C until 430 °C with loss of one ligand molecule which corresponds to a weight loss of 13.8% (calcd: 14.2%).

Complex **5** exhibits a weight loss of 7.3 % in the 212-281 °C temperature range, which accounts for the total removal of two dimethylformamide and a methanol molecules from the lattice (calcd: 7.6%). The remaining material then starts to decompose from 302 °C until 377 °C with loss of three ligand molecules, two formate and a nitrate molecule which corresponds to a weight loss of 25.8% (calcd: 26.2%).

Complex **6** shows a weight loss of 13.8% between 117 and 276°C, corresponding to the loss of two dimethylformamide molecules and a water molecule (calcd: 14.2%). Upon further heating, the complex is started to decompose from 277°C and gradually decomposes until 700°C.

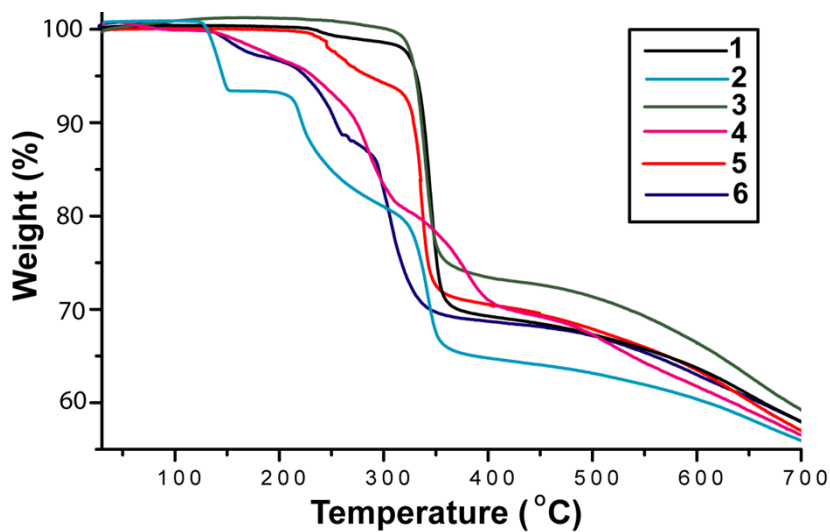


Fig. S2 Thermogravimetric curves for 1-6.

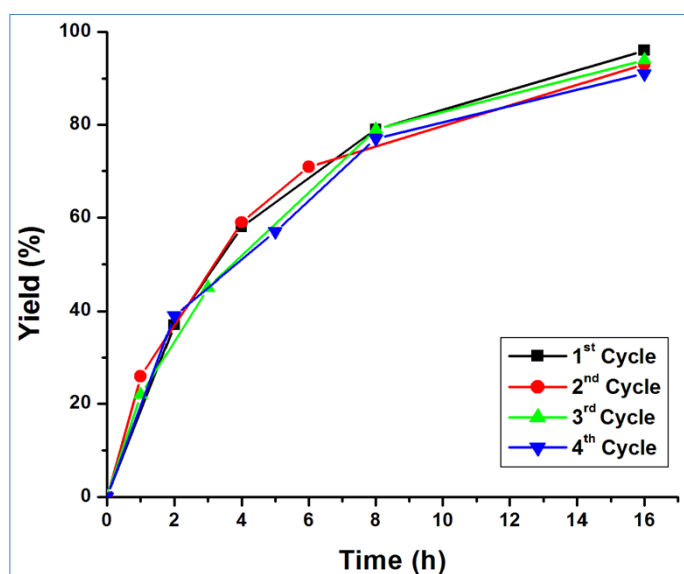


Fig. S3 Kinetic profiles in four consecutive reaction cycles employing complex **1** as catalyst in cyanosilylation reaction.

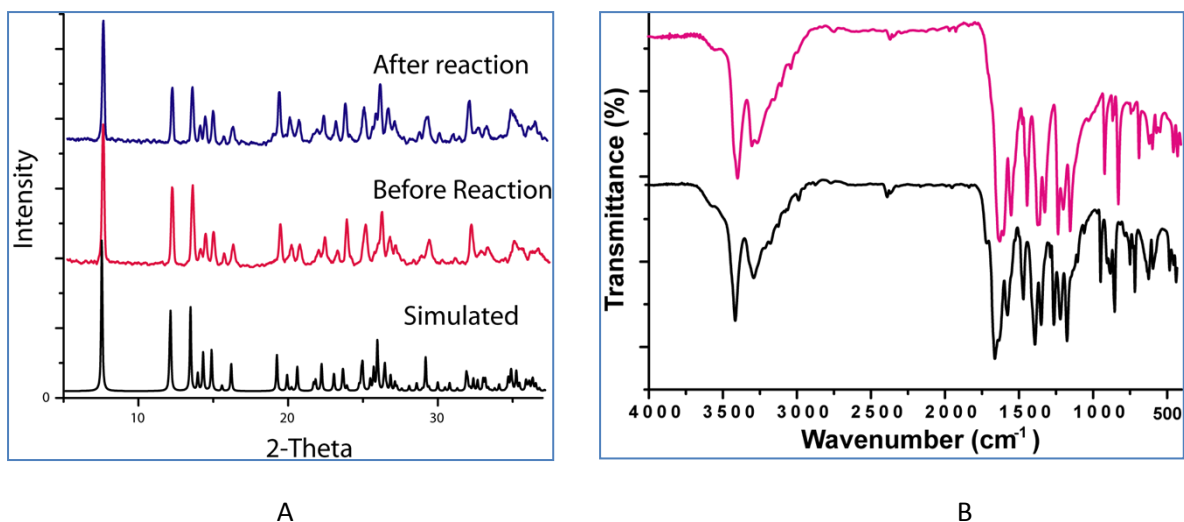


Fig. S4 A) Powder XRD curves of **1** (the red and blue curves refer to before and after the catalysis reaction and the black curve is the theoretical one). B) FT-IR spectra of **1** (the black and pink curves were obtained before and after the cyanosilylation reaction, respectively).

#### **Calculation of the yield in the Cyanosilylation reaction**

The -CH peak of benzaldehyde (reactant) appears as 10.048 ppm and the 2-phenyl-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)acetonitrile (product) appears at 5.531 ppm.

Total amount of complex: unreacted benzaldehyde + 2-phenyl-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)acetonitrile = 1 + 27.6 = 28.6

Percentage of the unreacted benzaldehyde:  $100/28.6 = 3.5\%$

Conversion of benzaldehyde = yield of 2-phenyl-2-((trimethylsilyl)oxy)acetonitrile =  $100 - 3.5 = 96.5\%$

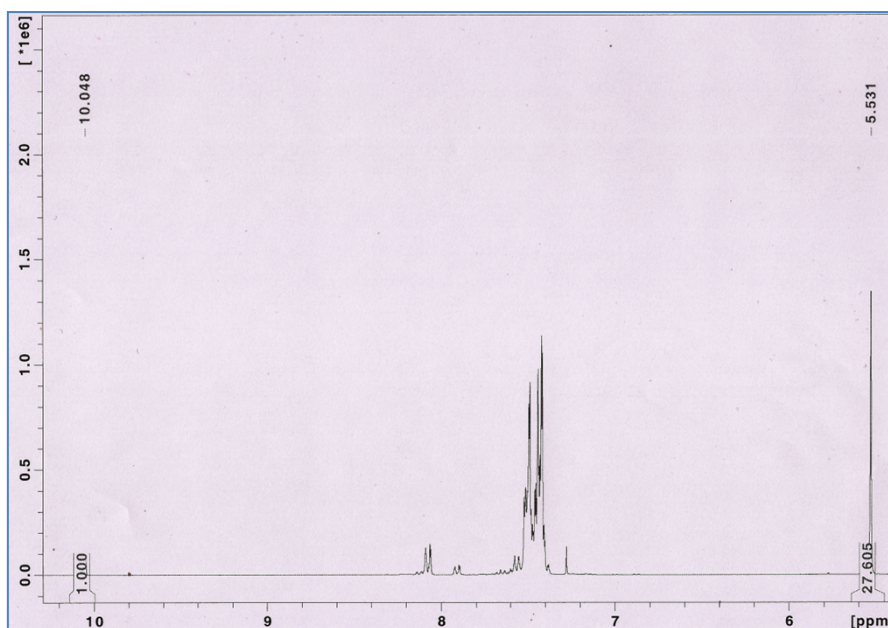


Fig. S5 Example of integration in the  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum for the determination of cyanosilylation reaction products (Table 1, Entry 4).

Table S1: Crystal data and structure refinement details for Complexes 1-3			
Identification name	1	2	3
Formulae	$\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_{12}\text{O}_8\text{Pb}_2$	$\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_8\text{O}_{10}\text{Pb}_2$	$\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_{14}\text{O}_{10}\text{Pb}_2$
Mol. wt.	966.83	870.73	1084.97
Crystal system	Triclinic	Triclinic	Triclinic
Space group	P-1	P-1	P-1
Temperature /K	296	296	296
Wavelength / $\text{\AA}$	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073
$a$ / $\text{\AA}$	7.7520(3)	7.6846(4)	7.6487(5)
$b$ / $\text{\AA}$	7.8081(3)	8.0250(4)	12.2700(7)
$c$ / $\text{\AA}$	11.2756(5)	10.1201(5)	18.3447(12)
$\alpha$ / $^\circ$	85.184(2)	102.495(2)	81.365(2)
$\beta$ / $^\circ$	86.853(2)	99.181(2)	87.259(2)
$\gamma$ / $^\circ$	67.1140(10)	112.272(2)	73.959(2)
$V$ / $\text{\AA}^3$	626.36(4)	543.33(5)	1635.82(18)
Z	1	1	2
Density/ $\text{Mgm}^{-3}$	2.563	2.661	2.203
Abs. Coeff. / $\text{mm}^{-1}$	13.496	15.544	10.355
F(000)	448	400	1024
Refl. collected	7136	10973	18025
Refl. unique	2550	2225	5514
Max. $2\theta$ / $^\circ$	26.37	26.41	24.70
Ranges (h, k, l)	-9 $\leq$ h $\leq$ 9 -9 $\leq$ k $\leq$ 9	-9 $\leq$ h $\leq$ 9 -10 $\leq$ k $\leq$ 10	-8 $\leq$ h $\leq$ 8 -13 $\leq$ k $\leq$ 14

	-14 ≤ l ≤ 14	-12 ≤ l ≤ 12	-21 ≤ l ≤ 21
Complete to 2θ (%)	99.5	99.9	99.2
Refl. with I > 2σ(I)	2475	2167	4373
Data/ Restraints/Parameters	2550/ 0/ 190	2225 / 0/ 154	5514 / 0 / 453
Goof (F <sup>2</sup> )	1.166	1.190	1.141
R1 [I > 2s(I)]	0.0214	0.0187	0.0384
wR2 [I > 2s(I)]	0.0540	0.0458	0.1015
R1 [all data]	0.0220	0.0192	0.0504
wR2 [all data]	0.0544	0.0462	0.1102

**Table S1: Crystal data and structure refinement details for Complexes 4-6**

Identification name	4	5	6
Formulae	C <sub>27.5</sub> H <sub>35.5</sub> N <sub>14.5</sub> O <sub>11.5</sub> Pb <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>44</sub> H <sub>48</sub> N <sub>24</sub> O <sub>24</sub> Pb <sub>5</sub>	C <sub>28</sub> H <sub>32</sub> N <sub>14</sub> O <sub>11</sub> Pb <sub>2</sub>
Mol. wt.	1167.58	2333.01	1155.05
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic
Space group	P2(1)/c	C2/m	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c
Temperature /K	296	296	296
Wavelength /Å	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073
a /Å	14.468(3)	28.1919(17)	7.8443(4)
b /Å	13.261(2)	19.7200(10)	22.1845(13)
c /Å	19.861(4)	11.8904(8)	21.7657(13)
α/°	90.00	90.00	90.00
β/°	90.964(7)	111.140(2)	90.842(2)
γ/°	90.00	90.00	90.00
V/ Å <sup>3</sup>	3809.9(12)	6165.5(6)	3787.3(4)
Z	4	4	4
Density/Mgm <sup>-3</sup>	2.036	2.513	2.026
Abs. Coeff. /mm <sup>-1</sup>	8.903	13.708	8.953
F(000)	2232	4328	2200
Refl. collected	66637	46755	43363
Refl. unique	7794	5832	6930
Max. 2θ/°	26.37	25.41	25.36
Ranges (h, k, l)	-18 ≤ h ≤ 18 -16 ≤ k ≤ 16 -24 ≤ l ≤ 24	-33 ≤ h ≤ 33 -23 ≤ k ≤ 23 -14 ≤ l ≤ 14	-9 ≤ h ≤ 9 -26 ≤ k ≤ 26 -26 ≤ l ≤ 26
Complete to 2θ (%)	99.9	99.4	99.6
Refl. with I > 2σ(I)	6291	4847	4943
Data/ Restraints/Parameters	7794 / 1 / 388	5832 / 24 / 412	6930 / 0 / 397
Goof (F <sup>2</sup> )	1.058	1.060	1.047
R1 [I > 2s(I)]	0.0429	0.0626	0.0526
wR2 [I > 2s(I)]	0.1037	0.1732	0.1172
R1 [all data]	0.0573	0.0728	0.0862
wR2 [all data]	0.1095	0.1793	0.1269

**Table S2: Hydrogen bond geometry (Å, °) in complexes 1-6.**

Complex	D-H...A	D-H (Å)	H...A (Å)	D...A (Å)	<D-H...A(°)	Symmetry
<b>1</b>	N(3)-H(3A)····N(2)	0.86	2.22	3.067(5)	167	-1-x,1-y,-z
	N(3)-H(3B)····O(2)	0.86	2.10	2.731(5)	130	-
	N(6)-H(6A)····O(2)	0.86	2.22	3.078(6)	174	x,y,1+z
	N(6)-H(6B)····O(4)	0.86	2.08	2.716(6)	130	-
	C(4)-(4)····N(5)	0.93	2.61	3.236(6)	125	-x,1-y,1-z
	C(10)-(10)····O(4)	0.93	2.44	3.147(5)	132	x,1+y,z
<b>2</b>	N(3)-H(3A)····N(2)	0.86	2.24	3.093(4)	173	2-x,1-y,-z
	N(3)-H(3B)····O(2)	0.86	2.09	2.721(4)	130	-
	N(4)-H(4A)····O(3)	0.86	2.21	3.063(5)	173	-x+1, -y+1, -z+1
	N(4)-H(4B)····O(2)	0.86	2.28	2.850(5)	124	x, y+1, z+1
	N(4)-H(4B)····O(4)	0.86	2.28	3.016(6)	144	-x, -y+1, -z+1
	C(3)-H(3)····O(5)	0.93	2.35	3.047(6)	132	-
<b>3</b>	N(3)-H(3A)····N(8)	0.86	2.22	3.082(9)	177	1-x,1-y,-z
	N(3)-H(3B)····O(2)	0.86	2.10	2.728(9)	129	-
	N(6)-H(6A)····N(11)	0.86	2.33	3.181(11)	170	1-x,2-y,1-z
	N(6)-H(6B)····O(4)	0.86	2.05	2.679(11)	130	-
	N(14)-H(14A)····O(4)	0.86	2.01	2.806(11)	154	x,1+y,z
	N(9)-H(9A)····N(2)	0.86	2.18	3.033(9)	175	1-x,1-y,-z
	N(9)-H(9B)····O(6)	0.86	2.11	2.727(9)	128	-
	N(9)-H(9B)····O(6)'	0.86	2.32	2.953(8)	130	2-x,1-y,-z
	N(12)-H(12A)····N(5)	0.86	2.14	2.970(11)	163	1-x,2-y,1-z
	N(12)-H(12B)····O(8)	0.86	2.03	2.673(10)	131	-
	N(12)-H(12B)····O(8)'	0.86	2.00	2.839(10)	165	1+x,y,z
	C(4)-H(4)····O(5)	0.93	2.40	3.322(8)	171	-1+x,y,z
C(14)-H(14)····O(1)	0.93	2.46	3.374(9)	169	x,-1+y,z	
<b>4</b>	N(3)-H(3A)····N(11)	0.86	2.36	3.210(13)	172	1+x,y,z
	N(3)-H(3B)····O(2)	0.86	2.11	2.731(12)	129	-
	N(6)-H(6A)····O(6)	0.86	1.96	2.806(8)	169	x,1/2-y,1/2+z
	N(6)-H(6B)····O(4)	0.86	2.03	2.668(8)	131	-
	N(9)-H(9A)····O(8)	0.86	2.20	2.954(9)	147	-x,1-y,-z
	N(9)-H(9B)····O(6)	0.86	2.06	2.689(9)	130	-
	O(9)-H(9O)····O(2)	0.91	1.94	2.830(9)	165	1-x,1/2+y,1/2-z
	O(9)-H(10O)····O(8)	1.10	1.78	2.822(9)	156	1+x,y,z
	O(9)-H(10O)····N(9)	1.10	2.52	3.200(9)	119	1-x,1-y,-z
	N(12)-H(12A)····N(2)	0.86	2.12	2.978(13)	174	-1+x,y,z
	N(12)-H(12B)····O(8)	0.86	2.04	2.677(12)	130	-
	C(9)-H(9)····O(1)	0.93	2.54	3.281(9)	137	x,1/2-y,1/2+z
	C(14)-H(14)····O(2)	0.93	2.41	3.205(11)	143	x,1+y,z
<b>5</b>	N(3)-H(3A)····O(4)	0.86	2.49	3.33(2)	166	1/2-x,1/2-y,1-z
	N(3)-H(3B)····O(2)	0.86	2.05	2.67(2)	129	-
	N(6)-H(6A)····N(8)	0.86	2.22	3.077(16)	174	1/2+x,1/2-y,z
	N(6)-H(6B)····O(4)	0.86	2.05	2.673(16)	128	-
	N(9)-H(9A)····N(5)	0.86	2.31	3.150(15)	166	-1/2+x,1/2-y,z
	N(9)-H(9B)····O(6)	0.86	2.03	2.666(16)	130	-
	N(12)-H(12A)····O(11)	0.86	2.52	3.37(5)	170	x,y,1+z
	N(12)-H(12A)····O(12)	0.86	2.12	2.80(4)	136	x,y,1+z
	N(12)-H(12B)····O(8)	0.86	2.03	2.63(6)	126	-
	C(9)-H(9)····O(11)	0.93	2.60	3.310(17)	133	1/2-x,1/2+y,-z

	C(18)-H(18)····O(10)	0.93	2.62	3.55(4)	179	-
	C(8)-H(8)····O(1)	0.93	2.57	3.164(16)	122	-
<b>6</b>	N(3)-H(3N)····O(2)	0.86	1.94	2.627(16)	135	-
	N(4)-H(4N)····O(4)	0.86	2.00	2.655(16)	132	-
	N(9)-H(9N)····O(6)	0.86	2.03	2.673(12)	131	-
	N(10)-H(10N)····O(8)	0.86	2.05	2.673(11)	129	-
	C(17)-H(17A)····N(12)	0.97	2.65	3.431(13)	138	-x+1, -y+2, -z+1
	C(17)-H(17B)····N(8)	0.97	2.68	3.472(14)	139	-x+2, -y+2, -z+1
	C(20)-H(20)····O(8)	0.93	2.48	3.222(13)	136	x-1, y, z
	C(14)-H(14)····O(6)	0.93	2.55	3.286(13)	137	x+1, y, z
	C(3)-H(3)····O(2)	0.93	2.40	3.203(14)	145	x+1, y, z
C(9)-H(9)····O(4)	0.93	2.46	3.217(14)	139	x-1, y, z	

**Table S3: Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (°) for complexes 1-6**

	Bond distances		Bond angles		Bond angles
<b>1</b>					
Pb1-O3	2.271(3)	O3-Pb1-O1	84.05(11)	O3-Pb1-N1	82.31(11)
Pb1-O1	2.403(3)	O3-Pb1-O1	81.26(11)	O1-Pb1-N1	64.12(9)
Pb1-O1'	2.531(3)	O1-Pb1-O1	66.26(11)	O1-Pb1-N1	128.90(9)
Pb1-N4	2.585(3)	O3-Pb1-N4	67.29(11)	N4-Pb1-N1	78.62(11)
Pb1-N1	2.608(3)	O1-Pb1-N4	135.70(11)	Pb1-O1-Pb1	113.74(11)
		O1-Pb1-N4	135.42(11)		
<b>2</b>					
Pb1-O3	2.335(3)	O3-Pb1-O1	84.03(10)	O1-Pb1-N1	127.78(8)
Pb1-O1	2.415(2)	O3-Pb1-O1'	86.68(10)	O3-Pb1-O5	84.13(15)
Pb1'-O1	2.555(2)	O1-Pb1-O1'	65.25(9)	O1-Pb1-O5	138.76(11)
Pb1-N1	2.613(3)	O3-Pb1-N1	76.68(10)	O1-Pb1-O5	152.58(11)
Pb1-O5	2.686(4)	O1-Pb1-N1	64.03(9)	N1-Pb1-O5	74.82(11)
		Pb1-O1-Pb1	114.75(9)		
<b>3</b>					
Pb1-O1	2.454(5)	O3-Pb1-O1	130.4(2)	O7-Pb2-N10	67.1(2)
Pb1-O3	2.387(6)	O3-Pb1-N1	79.5(2)	O5-Pb2-N10	73.1(2)
Pb1-N4	2.487(6)	O1-Pb1-N1	65.72(18)	N7-Pb2-N10	92.9(2)
Pb1-N1	2.481(6)	O3-Pb1-N4	66.9(2)		
Pb2-O5	2.443(5)	O1-Pb1-N4	75.4(2)		
Pb2-O7	2.338(5)	N1-Pb1-N4	84.8(2)		
Pb2-N10	2.501(6)	O7-Pb2-O5	122.9(2)		
Pb2-N7	2.477(6)	O7-Pb2-N7	77.0(2)		
Pb1-O9	2.855(1)	O5-Pb2-N7	65.60(17)		
Pb2-O10	2.880(9)				
<b>4</b>					
Pb1-O1	2.444(5)	O1-Pb1-O3	90.70(16)	O5-Pb2-N10	79.2(2)
Pb1-O3	2.454(4)	O1-Pb1-N1	64.9(2)	O7-Pb2-O3	139.59(17)
Pb1-N1	2.519(7)	O3-Pb1-N1	85.24(19)	O5-Pb2-O3	62.23(15)
Pb1-O5	2.530(5)	O1-Pb1-O5	139.26(18)	N10-Pb2-O3	83.50(18)
Pb2-O7	2.469(5)	O3-Pb1-O5	65.50(16)	O7-Pb2-N4	85.16(19)
Pb2-O5	2.536(5)	N1-Pb1-O5	79.9(2)	O5-Pb2-N4	117.15(18)



Pb2-N10	2.539(6)	O7-Pb2-O5	128.80(19)	O3-Pb2-N4	60.33(16)
Pb2-O3	2.677(5)	O7-Pb2-N10	64.67(19)	Pb1-O5-Pb2	109.89(19)
Pb2-N4	2.688(6)	N10-Pb2-N4	71.2(2)	Pb1-O3-Pb2	107.77(16)
<b>5</b>					
Pb1-N1	2.436(12)	N1-Pb1-O1	66.2(4)	O11-Pb3-O9	76.0(5)
Pb1-O1	2.477(10)	N1-Pb1-O3	82.9(4)	O4-Pb3-O9	106.3(4)
Pb1-O3	2.481(10)	O1-Pb1-O3	131.0(3)	O4-Pb3-O9'	148.2(5)
Pb1-O5	2.584(10)	N1-Pb1-O5	78.8(4)	O9-Pb3-O9	45.0(6)
Pb1-N4	2.711(10)	O1-Pb1-O5	127.4(3)	O7-Pb2-O6	118.7(4)
Pb2-O7	2.360(18)	O3-Pb1-O5	78.0(3)	O6-Pb2-O6'	92.4(5)
Pb2-O6	2.479(11)	N1-Pb1-N4	79.5(4)	O7-Pb2-N10	67.5(8)
Pb2-N10	2.56(2)	O1-Pb1-N4	74.9(3)	O6-Pb2-N10	74.0(5)
Pb2-O5	2.750(10)	O3-Pb1-N4	62.4(3)	O7-Pb2-O5	80.5(2)
Pb1-N7	2.793(10)	O5-Pb1-N4	136.6(3)	O6-Pb2-O5	49.4(3)
Pb3-O7	2.44(2)	N1-Pb1-N7	74.8(4)	O6-Pb2-O5	140.4(3)
Pb3-O4	2.567(11)	O1-Pb1-N7	73.5(3)	N10-Pb2-O5	84.4(3)
Pb3-O11	2.58(2)	O3-Pb1-N7	135.0(3)	O7-Pb2-O5	80.5(2)
Pb3-O9	2.729(16)	O5-Pb1-N7	59.8(3)	O6-Pb2-O5	140.5(3)
Pb4-O12	2.22(2)	N4-Pb1-N7	145.2(4)	O6-Pb2-O5	49.4(3)
Pb4-O2	2.504(13)	O7-Pb3-O4	108.3(4)	O5-Pb2-O5'	160.6(4)
		O4-Pb3-O4	96.1(5)	O12-Pb4-O2	79.3(6)
		O7-Pb3-O11	160.4(6)	O2-Pb4-O2'	76.4(6)
		O4-Pb3-O11	84.3(4)	O12-Pb4-O13	83.8(7)
		O7-Pb3-O9	85.9(6)	O2-Pb4-O13	156.3(6)
		O4-Pb3-O9	148.2(5)	O2-Pb4-O13	116.5(5)
		O4-Pb3-O9	106.3(4)	Pb1-O5-Pb2	141.7(4)
		O11-Pb3-O9	76.0(5)	Pb2-O7-Pb3	112.5(9)
		O7-Pb3-O9	85.9(6)		
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Pb1-O7	2.456(6)	O7-Pb1-O1	132.7(2)	O5-Pb2-O3	133.4(3)
Pb1-O1	2.485(8)	O7-Pb1-O3	73.5(2)	O5-Pb2-O1	73.8(3)
Pb1-O3	2.534(7)	O1-Pb1-O3	120.6(3)	O3-Pb2-O1	120.3(3)
Pb1-N1	2.570(9)	O7-Pb1-N1	79.3(3)	O5-Pb2-N5	80.5(3)
Pb1-N11	2.634(8)	O1-Pb1-N1	64.0(3)	O3-Pb2-N5	63.2(3)
Pb2-O5	2.459(7)	O3-Pb1-N1	75.8(3)	O1-Pb2-N5	76.5(3)
Pb2-O3	2.465(7)	O7-Pb1-N11	63.7(2)	O5-Pb2-N7	63.3(2)
Pb2-O1	2.528(7)	O1-Pb1-N11	78.3(3)	O3-Pb2-N7	78.9(2)
Pb2-N5	2.595(9)	O3-Pb1-N11	131.7(2)	O1-Pb2-N7	131.2(3)
Pb2-N7	2.635(9)	N1-Pb1-N11	75.2(3)	N5-Pb2-N7	74.6(3)