

## Distinct different reactivity of bis(silylenyl)- versus phosphanyl-silylenyl- substituted *o*-dicarborane towards O<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O and CO<sub>2</sub>

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## A. Experimental Section

### A1. General Considerations

All experiments and manipulations were carried out under dry nitrogen using standard Schlenk techniques or in an MBraun inert atmosphere dry box containing an atmosphere of purified N<sub>2</sub>. Solvents were deoxygenated and dried by standard methods, saturated with purified N<sub>2</sub> and freshly distilled prior to use. The precursor compounds [CH<sub>2</sub>N(*t*Bu)]<sub>2</sub>PCl **1** and [PhC(N(*t*Bu))<sub>2</sub>]SiCl, **2** **1** **3** and **3** **4** were prepared according to literature procedure. The <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C, <sup>31</sup>P, <sup>11</sup>B, <sup>29</sup>Si-NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker ARX200, AV 400, AV500 spectrometers referenced to residual solvent signals as internal standards (<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H}) or with an external reference (SiMe<sub>4</sub> for <sup>29</sup>Si, 85% H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> for <sup>31</sup>P, and BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> for <sup>11</sup>B). Abbreviations: *s* = singlet; *d* = doublet; *t* = triplet; *sept* = septet; *m* = multiplet; *br* = broad. IR spectra were measured with a Nicolet iS5 FT-IR Spectrometer from the company of Thermo Scientific. Elemental analyses and ESI-MS were performed by the analytical labor and MS-Service in the Institute of Chemistry, Technical University of Berlin, Germany. Melting points were measured on a Stuart SMP30 melting point apparatus.

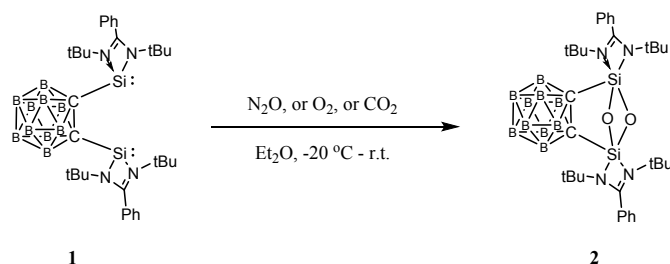
### A2. Single-Crystal X-ray Structure Determinations

Crystals were each mounted on a glass capillary in per-fluorinated oil and measured in a cold N<sub>2</sub> flow. The data of **2**, **4** - **7** were collected on an Oxford Diffraction Supernova, Single source at offset, Atlas at 150 K (Cu- K $\alpha$ -radiation,  $\lambda$  = 1.5418 Å). The structures were solved by direct method and refined on F2 with the SHELX-97 <sup>5</sup> software package. The positions of the H atoms were calculated and considered isotropically according to a riding model. CCDC 2075598 (compound **2**), 2075596 (compound **4**), 2075600 (compound **5**), 2075599 (compound **6**), and 2075597 (compound **7**) contain the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper. These data can be obtained free of charge by contacting The Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre, 12, Union Road, Cambridge CB2 1EZ, UK; fax: +44 1223 336033.

### A3. Synthesis and Characterization

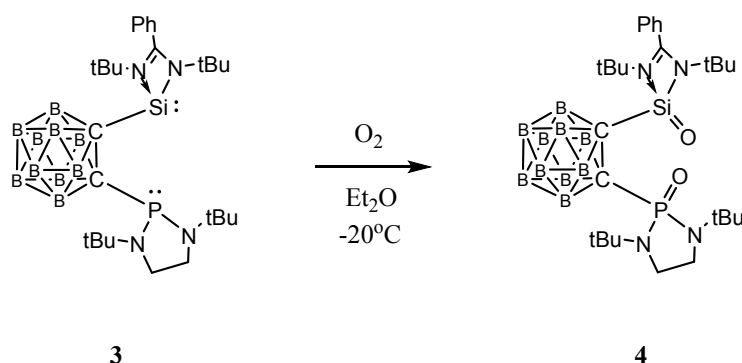
Compound CB-Si<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (**2**): A solution of CB-SiSi (**1**) (0.35, 0.44 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O was cooled to -20 °C. The N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere in the flask was exchanged to O<sub>2</sub>. The reaction mixture was slowly warmed to room temperature, after 16h the volatiles were removed under vacuum and the residue was washed with *n*-hexane and extracted with toluene. From toluene at -20 °C colorless crystals of **2** were formed. The crystals were isolated via filtration and dried under vacuum (0.30 g, 0.37 mmol, 85%). Under same reaction conditions, the reactions of **1** with N<sub>2</sub>O or CO<sub>2</sub> yielded also **2** as the exclusive product. M. p. 253 °C (decomp.). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500.25 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 298 K):  $\delta$  (ppm) = 1.22, 1.23 (*s*, 18 H; Si-NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 7.12 – 7.63 (*m*, 5 H; *Ph*); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125.79 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 298 K):  $\delta$  (ppm) = 33.1 (*s*, Si-NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 56.2 (*s*, Si-NCMe<sub>3</sub>), 80.6 (*cage*-C), 129.5, 129.6, 130.4, 131.3 (*Ph*), 131.9, 134.0 (quaternary *Ph*), 181.5 (NCN); <sup>29</sup>Si{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (99.39 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 298 K):  $\delta$  (ppm) = -98.6 (*br*); <sup>11</sup>B{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (64.21 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 298 K):  $\delta$  (ppm) = -17.7 – 0.7 (*br*); ESI-MS: *m/z*: 693.50059 (calc. 693.50177 [M]<sup>+</sup>); Elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>56</sub>N<sub>4</sub>B<sub>10</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>·C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>8</sub> (785.23 g/mol): C 59.65, H 8.21, N 7.14, found: C 59.03, H 8.29, N 7.00. IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2970(w), 2547(m), 1528(w), 1480(w), 1445(m), 1420(s),

1394(s), 1362(s), 1193(s), 1086(m), 1069(m), 1024(w), 976(w), 923(w), 848(w), 780(vs), 728(vs), 704(vs), 693(s), 638(m), 578(m), 560(m).



**Scheme S1** Reactions of **1** with  $N_2O$ ,  $O_2$ , or  $CO_2$  affording **2**.

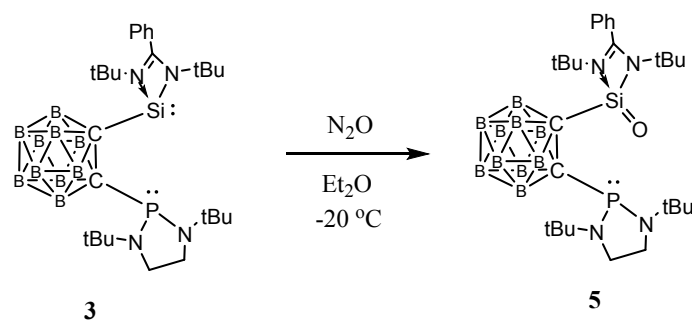
Compound CB-PSiO<sub>2</sub> (**4**): A solution of CB-PSi (**3**) (0.39 g, 0.65 mmol) in diethyl ether (15 ml) was cooled to -20 °C. The  $N_2$  atmosphere in the flask was exchanged to  $O_2$ . The reaction mixture was stored at refrigerator (-20 °C). After 16 h colorless crystals of **4** were formed. The collected crystals of **4** amounted to 0.28 g (0.44 mmol, 68%). M.p. 153 °C (decomp.). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500.25 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 253 K):  $\delta$  (ppm) = 1.32 (*s*, 18 H; Si-NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.45 (*s*, 18 H; P-NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.95 – 3.13 (*br*, 10 H; BH), 3.27 – 3.33 (*m*, 2 H; CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.56 – 3.62 (*m*, 2 H; CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.45 – 7.80 (*m*, 5 H; Ph); <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (202.50 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 253 K):  $\delta$  (ppm) = 26.4; <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125.78 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 253 K):  $\delta$  (ppm) = 28.6 (*d*, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>(P,C)</sub> = 2.3 Hz; P-NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 30.6 (*s*, Si-NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 41.0 (*d*, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>(P,C)</sub> = 14.1 Hz; P-N-CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.5 (*s*, Si-N(CMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 56.2 (*d*, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>(P,C)</sub> = 4.9 Hz; P-N(CMe<sub>3</sub>)), 75.9 (*d*, <sup>1</sup>*J*<sub>(P,C)</sub> = 7.6 Hz; cage C), 88.5 (*d*, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>(P,C)</sub> = 121.9 Hz; cage C), 128.1 (*Ph*), 128.2 (*Ph*), 128.6 (*Ph*), 128.6 (*Ph*), 129.1 (quaternary *Ph*), 131.3 (*Ph*), 181.4 (NCN); <sup>29</sup>Si{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (99.38 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 253 K):  $\delta$  (ppm) = -52.8 (*br*); <sup>11</sup>B{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (64.21 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 298 K):  $\delta$  (ppm) = -14.2 - 1.2 (*br*) Elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>55</sub>N<sub>4</sub>SiPB<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (634.92): C 51.08, H 8.73, N 8.82, found: C 50.83, H 8.30, N 8.94. IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2970(m), 2569(m), 1477(w), 1445(w), 1394(s), 1366(s), 1267(m), 1193(vs), 1022(vs), 799(m), 770(m), 735(m), 704(s), 651(s).



**Scheme S2** Reaction of **3** with  $O_2$  to give **4**.

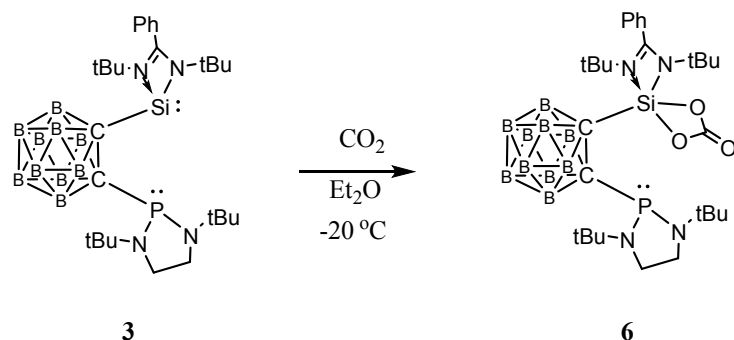
Compound CB-PSiO (**5**): A solution of CB-PSi (**3**) (0.38 g, 0.63 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O was cooled to -20 °C. The  $N_2$  atmosphere in the flask was exchanged to  $N_2O$ . The reaction solution was stored at -20 °C. After 20 min

colorless crystals of **5** were formed. At -20 °C the crystals were isolated via filtration and dried under vacuum (0.20 g, 0.32 mmol, 51%). M. p. 176 °C (decomp.). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500.25 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 243 K): δ (ppm) = 1.29 (s, 18 H; Si-NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.35 (*br*, 18 H; P-NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.87 – 3.08 (*br*, 10 H, *BH*), 3.25 – 3.30 (*m*, 2 H; *CH*<sub>2</sub>), 3.36 – 3.39 (*m*, 2 H; *CH*<sub>2</sub>), 7.43 – 7.85 (*m*, 5 H; *Ph*); <sup>31</sup>P {<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (202.50 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 243 K): δ (ppm) = 114.2; <sup>13</sup>C {<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125.79 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 243 K): δ (ppm) = 29.9 (*d*, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>(P,C)</sub> = 9.3 Hz; P-NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 30.4 (*s*, Si-NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 47.6 (*d*, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>(P,C)</sub> = 7.3 Hz; P-N-CH<sub>2</sub>), 54.8 (*d*, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>(P,C)</sub> = 27.3 Hz; P-NCMe<sub>3</sub>), 55.3 (*s*, Si-NCMe<sub>3</sub>), 75.8 (*d*, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>(P,C)</sub> = 8.0 Hz; cage C), 96.9 (*d*, <sup>1</sup>*J*<sub>(P,C)</sub> = 140.9 Hz; cage C), 128.1 (*br*, *Ph*), 128.3 (*Ph*), 128.6 (*Ph*), 129.2 (quaternary *Ph*), 131.2 (*Ph*), 181.0 (NCN); <sup>29</sup>Si {<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (99.39 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 243 K): δ (ppm) = -51.9 (*br*.); <sup>11</sup>B {<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (64.21 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 298 K): δ (ppm) = -15.9 - -1.4 (*br*); Elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>55</sub>N<sub>4</sub>SiPB<sub>10</sub>O (618.92 g/mol): C 52.40, H 8.96, N 9.05, found: C 52.01, H 8.53, N 8.89 IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2970(*m*), 2565(*m*), 1391(*vs*), 1363(*s*), 1187(*vs*), 1154(*m*), 1095(*m*), 1070(*m*), 962(*m*), 798(*m*), 772(*s*), 766(*s*), 734(*m*), 7145(*s*), 645(*m*), 635(*s*), 614(*w*).



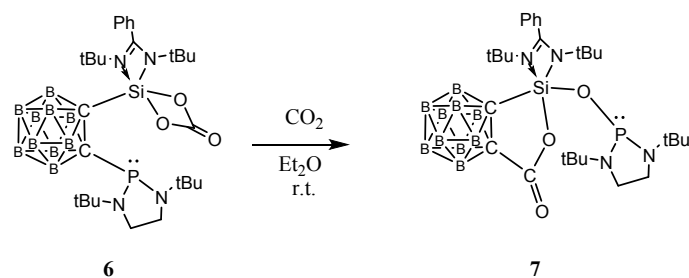
**Scheme S3** Reaction of **3** with N<sub>2</sub>O to form **5**.

**Compound CB-PSi(O<sub>2</sub>C=O) (6)**: A solution of **3** (0.47 g, 0.78 mmol) in diethyl ether (15 ml) was cooled to -20 °C. The N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere in the flask was exchanged to CO<sub>2</sub>. After 30 min colorless crystals of **6** were formed from the resulted solution and rapidly isolated via filtration. The collected crystals of **6** amounted to 0.39 g (0.60 mmol, 77 %). M.p. 263 °C (decomp.). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500.25 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 273 K): δ (ppm) = 1.21 (*s*, 18 H; Si-NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.34 (*br*, 18 H; P-NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.86 – 3.17 (*br*, 10 H; *BH*), 3.27 – 3.33 (*m*, 2 H; *CH*<sub>2</sub>), 3.42 – 3.46 (*m*, 2 H; *CH*<sub>2</sub>), 7.40 – 7.76 (*m*, 5 H; *Ph*); <sup>31</sup>P {<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (200.13 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 273 K): δ (ppm) = 115.5; <sup>13</sup>C {<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125.79 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 263 K): δ (ppm) = 31.5 (*d*, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>(P,C)</sub> = 8.2 Hz; P-NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 32.1 (*s*, Si-NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 49.2 (*d*, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>(P,C)</sub> = 8.6 Hz; P-N-CH<sub>2</sub>), 56.7 (*d*, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>(P,C)</sub> = 25.8 Hz; P-NCMe<sub>3</sub>), 57.4 (*s*, Si-NCMe<sub>3</sub>), 77.8 (*d*, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>(P,C)</sub> = 14.7 Hz; cage C), 99.6 (*d*, <sup>1</sup>*J*<sub>(P,C)</sub> = 127.7 Hz; cage C), 127.1, 128.3, 128.5, 128.9, 130.2 (quaternary *Ph*), 131.1 (*Ph*), 149.8 (CO<sub>3</sub>), 181.1 (NCN); <sup>29</sup>Si {<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (99.38 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 273 K): δ (ppm) = -93.1; <sup>11</sup>B {<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (64.21 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 298 K): δ (ppm) = -15.2 – 2.0 (*br*); Elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>55</sub>N<sub>4</sub>SiPO<sub>3</sub>B<sub>10</sub> (662.93): C 50.73, H 8.36, N 8.45, found: C 50.05, H 8.56, N 8.62. IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2971(*w*), 2611(*w*), 2577(*w*), 1813(*vs*, ν<sub>CO</sub>), 1409(*s*), 1399(*s*), 1368(*s*), 1360(*m*), 1196(*vs*), 1092(*m*), 1072(*w*), 1004(*m*), 866(*s*), 787(*vs*), 775(*m*), 748(*m*), 740(*m*), 705(*s*), 678(*m*), 660(*s*), 632(*w*), 577(*m*), 561(*w*).



**Scheme S4** Reaction of **3** with CO<sub>2</sub> affording **6**.

Compound **7**: A solution of **6** in diethyl ether was allowed to stand at room temperature. After 24 h compound **6** isomerized to **7** completely, the latter crystallized as colorless crystals. M.p. 274 °C (decomp.). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200.13 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 298K): δ (ppm) = 1.20 (*s*, 9 H; Si-NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.23 (*s*, 9 H; Si-NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.34 (*d*, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>(H,P)</sub> = 1.0 Hz, 9 H; P-NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.38 (*d*, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>(H,P)</sub> = 1.1 Hz, 9 H; P-NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 3.22 – 3.38 (*m*, 4 H; CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.51 – 7.65 (*m*, 5 H; *Ph*); <sup>31</sup>P {<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (81.01 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 298 K): δ (ppm) = 119.6; <sup>13</sup>C {<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (50.32 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 298 K): δ (ppm) = 31.3 (*d*, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>(P,C)</sub> = 7.5 Hz; P-NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 31.5 (*d*, <sup>3</sup>*J*<sub>(P,C)</sub> = 7.5 Hz; P-NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 33.0, 33.8 (*s*, Si-NC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 46.8 (*d*, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>(P,C)</sub> = 8.0 Hz; P-N-CH<sub>2</sub>), 47.4 (*d*, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>(P,C)</sub> = 8.0 Hz; P-N-CH<sub>2</sub>), 54.6 (*d*, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>(P,C)</sub> = 10.3 Hz; P-NCMe<sub>3</sub>), 54.9 (*d*, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>(P,C)</sub> = 13.6 Hz; P-NCMe<sub>3</sub>), 57.3, 57.4 (*s*, Si-NCMe<sub>3</sub>), 71.8, 76.3 (*s*, cage C), 129.4, 129.9, 130.2, 132.0, 132.5 (*Ph*), 133.4 (quaternary *Ph*), 159.4 (CO<sub>2</sub>), 180.6 (NCN); <sup>29</sup>Si {<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (79.49 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 298 K): δ (ppm) = -110.4 (*d*, <sup>2</sup>*J*<sub>(Si,P)</sub> = 9.4 Hz); <sup>11</sup>B {<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (64.21 MHz, THF-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 298 K): δ (ppm) = -14.7 – 2.2 (*br*); Elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>55</sub>N<sub>4</sub>SiPO<sub>3</sub>B<sub>10</sub> (662.93): C 50.73, H 8.36, N 8.45, found: C 50.35, H 8.25, N 8.46. IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2966(*m*), 2594(*m*), 2580(*m*), 2552(*m*), 1740(*s*, CO), 1545(*m*), 1488(*w*), 1367(*vs*), 1280(*m*), 1249(*m*), 1219(*m*), 1188(*s*), 1130(*w*), 1075(*m*), 931(*vs*), 875(*w*), 845(*w*), 814(*m*), 800(*s*), 773(*s*), 742(*s*), 708(*s*), 679(*w*), 642(*s*), 606(*s*).



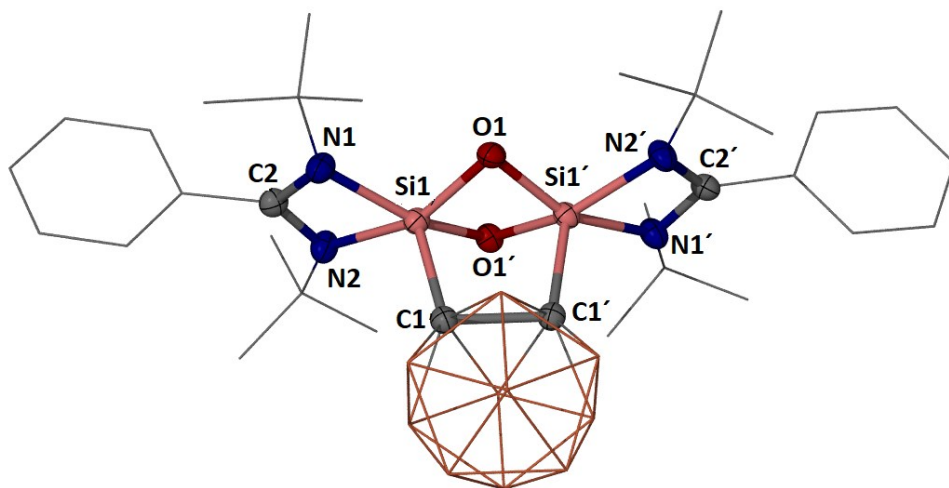
**Scheme S5** Isomerization of **6** to **7**.

#### A4. Single-Crystal X-ray Structure Determinations

Compound 2 (CCDC 2075598)

**Table S1** Crystal data and structure refinement for 2.

Empirical formula	C <sub>39</sub> H <sub>64</sub> B <sub>10</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub>	
Formula weight	785.22	
Temperature	150(2) K	
Wavelength	1.54184 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	C2/c	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 15.4300(2) Å	α = 90°.
	b = 20.2433(2) Å	β = 96.0730(10)°.
	c = 14.5257(2) Å	γ = 90°.
Volume	4511.70(10) Å <sup>3</sup>	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	1.156 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>	
Absorption coefficient	0.993 mm <sup>-1</sup>	
F(000)	1680	
Crystal size	0.300 x 0.230 x 0.170 mm <sup>3</sup>	
Theta range for data collection	3.615 to 67.497°.	
Index ranges	-17 ≤ h ≤ 18, -13 ≤ k ≤ 24, -17 ≤ l ≤ 17	
Reflections collected	14505	
Independent reflections	4072 [R(int) = 0.0203]	
Completeness to theta = 67.497°	100.0 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	1.00000 and 0.65064	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>	
Data / restraints / parameters	4072 / 120 / 296	
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.052	
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.0447, wR2 = 0.1232	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0466, wR2 = 0.1257	
Extinction coefficient	n/a	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.585 and -0.325 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>	



**Fig. S1.** Molecular Structure of **2**. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability level. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

**Table S2** Bond lengths [ $\text{\AA}$ ] and angles [ $^\circ$ ] for **2**.

Si1-O1	1.695(1)
Si1-O1'	1.708(1)
Si1-N1	1.861(1)
Si1-N2	1.884(1)
Si1-C1	1.961(2)
Si1-C2	2.332(2)
Si1-Si1'	2.403(1)
O1-Si1'	1.708(1)
N1-C2	1.332(2)
C1-C1'	1.687(3)
N2-C2	1.335(2)
O1-Si1-O1'	83.4(1)
O1-Si1-N1	154.4(1)
O1'-Si1-N1	98.3(1)
O1-Si1-N2	98.3(1)
O1'-Si1-N2	155.0(1)
N1-Si1-N2	69.7(1)
O1-Si1-C1	96.6(1)
O1'-Si1-C1	96.1(1)
N1-Si1-C1	108.6(1)
N2-Si1-C1	108.4(1)
O1-Si1-C2	130.0(1)

O1-Si1-C2	130.1(1)
N1-Si1-C2	34.8(1)
N2-Si1-C2	34.9 (1)
C1-Si1-C2	112.0(1)
O1-Si1-Si1'	45.3(1)
O1'-Si1-Si1'	44.9(1)
N1-Si1-Si1'	143.1(1)
N2-Si1-Si1'	143.6(1)
C1-Si1-Si1'	79.5(1)
C2-Si1-Si1'	168.6(1)
Si1-O1-Si1'	89.8(1)
C2-N1-Si1	92.3(1)
C1'-C1-Si1	100.5(1)
C2-N2-Si1	91.2(1)
N1-C2-N2	106.8(1)
N1-C2-Si1	52.9(1)
N2-C2-Si1	53.9(1)

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Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:  
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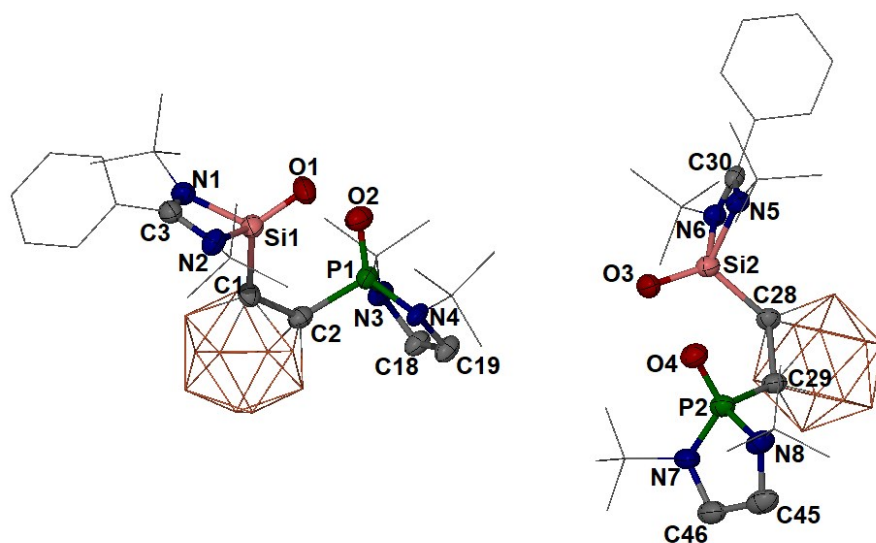
Compound 4 (CCDC 2075596)

**Table S3** Crystal data and structure refinement for 4.

Empirical formula	C <sub>29</sub> H <sub>60</sub> B <sub>10</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>2.50</sub> P Si	
Formula weight	671.97	
Temperature	150(2) K	
Wavelength	1.54184 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 33.1770(9) Å	α = 90°.
	b = 10.4724(3) Å	β = 100.412(3)°.
	c = 22.8239(6) Å	γ = 90°.
Volume	7799.4(4) Å <sup>3</sup>	
Z	8	
Density (calculated)	1.145 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>	
Absorption coefficient	1.166 mm <sup>-1</sup>	
F(000)	2888	
Crystal size	0.160 x 0.090 x 0.060 mm <sup>3</sup>	



Theta range for data collection	2.708 to 67.499°.
Index ranges	-31<=h<=39, -12<=k<=12, -27<=l<=27
Reflections collected	53977
Independent reflections	14060 [R(int) = 0.1289]
Completeness to theta = 67.499°	100.0 %
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents
Max. and min. transmission	1.00000 and 0.57714
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>
Data / restraints / parameters	14060 / 0 / 882
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.027
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0668, wR2 = 0.1418
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.1325, wR2 = 0.1823
Extinction coefficient	n/a
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.506 and -0.340 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>



**Fig. S2** Molecular Structure of **4**. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability level. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity. Bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for **4**.

**Table S4** Crystal data and structure refinement for **4**.

P1-O2	1.456(3)
P1-N3	1.638(3)
P1-N4	1.656(3)
P1-C2	1.899(4)
Si1-O1	1.524(3)
Si1-N2	1.814(3)
Si1-N1	1.820(3)

Si1-C1	1.943(4)
N4-C19	1.474(5)
N1-C3	1.339(5)
N2-C3	1.335(5)
N3-C18	1.476(5)
C1-C2	1.768(5)
C3-C4	1.487(6)
C18-C19	1.544(5)
C4-C5	1.388(6)
Si2-O3	1.524(3)
Si2-N6	1.807(3)
Si2-N5	1.828(3)
Si2-C28	1.937(4)
P2-O4	1.463(3)
P2-N8	1.634(4)
P2-N7	1.673(3)
P2-C29	1.893(4)
N5-C30	1.335(5)
N6-C30	1.334(5)
N7-C46	1.469(5)
N8-C45	1.481(5)
C28-C29	1.733(5)
O2-P1-N3	117.3(2)
O2-P1-N4	121.5(2)
N3-P1-N4	98.0(2)
O2-P1-C2	109.2(2)
N3-P1-C2	104.4(2)
N4-P1-C2	104.5(2)
O1-Si1-N2	118.5(2)
O1-Si1-N1	120.2(2)
N2-Si1-N1	72.5(2)
O1-Si1-C1	122.5(2)
N2-Si1-C1	104.9(2)
N1-Si1-C1	107.1(2)
C19-N4-P1	111.0(3)
C3-N1-Si1	90.0(3)
C3-N2-Si1	90.4(3)
C18-N3-P1	111.2(3)

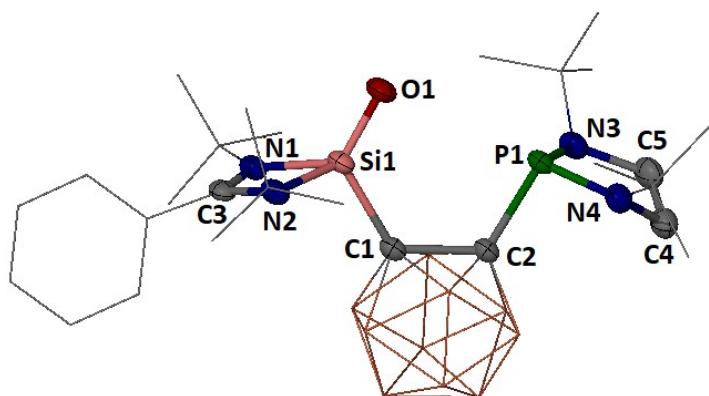
C2-C1-Si1	126.0(2)
N2-C3-N1	107.0(4)
N2-C3-C4	126.1(4)
N1-C3-C4	126.6(4)
C1-C2-P1	124.3(2)
N3-C18-C19	107.2(3)
N4-C19-C18	108.9(3)
C5-C4-C3	124.2(4)
O3-Si2-N6	116.2(2)
O3-Si2-N5	123.0(2)
N6-Si2-N5	72.0(1)
O3-Si2-C28	121.4(2)
N6-Si2-C28	105.2(2)
N5-Si2-C28	107.8(2)
O4-P2-N8	117.7(2)
O4-P2-N7	121.9(2)
N8-P2-N7	98.7(2)
O4-P2-C29	108.0(2)
N8-P2-C29	104.3(2)
N7-P2-C29	104.2(2)
C30-N5-Si2	90.4(2)
C30-N6-Si2	91.3(2)
N6-C30-N5	106.3(3)
N6-C30-C31	127.5(4)
N5-C30-C31	126.0(3)
C46-N7-C51	115.6(3)
C46-N7-P2	109.2(3)
C45-N8-P2	109.4(3)
C29-C28-Si2	124.6(3)
C28-C29-P2	121.7(3)
N8-C45-C46	107.9(4)
N7-C46-C45	109.9(4)

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Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

**Table S5** Crystal data and structure refinement for **5**.

Empirical formula	C <sub>27</sub> H <sub>55</sub> B <sub>10</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O P Si	
Formula weight	618.91	
Temperature	150(2) K	
Wavelength	1.54184 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	I2/a	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 19.7759(5) Å	α = 90°.
	b = 9.9587(2) Å	β = 98.741(2)°.
	c = 37.0968(11) Å	γ = 90°.
Volume	7221.1(3) Å <sup>3</sup>	
Z	8	
Density (calculated)	1.139 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>	
Absorption coefficient	1.188 mm <sup>-1</sup>	
F(000)	2656	
Crystal size	0.260 x 0.180 x 0.100 mm <sup>3</sup>	
Theta range for data collection	2.410 to 67.500°.	
Index ranges	-23 ≤ h ≤ 22, -9 ≤ k ≤ 11, -29 ≤ l ≤ 44	
Reflections collected	13276	
Independent reflections	6495 [R(int) = 0.0356]	
Completeness to theta = 67.500°	99.8 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	1.00000 and 0.63761	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>	
Data / restraints / parameters	6495 / 0 / 409	
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.020	
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.0448, wR2 = 0.1135	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0620, wR2 = 0.1277	
Extinction coefficient	n/a	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.300 and -0.348 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>	



**Fig. S3** Molecular Structure of **5**. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability level. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

**Table S6** Bond lengths [ $\text{\AA}$ ] and angles [ $^\circ$ ] for **5**.

P1-N4	1.677(2)
P1-N3	1.717(2)
P1-C2	1.949(2)
Si1-O1	1.524(1)
Si1-N2	1.814(2)
Si1-N1	1.827(2)
Si1-C1	1.930(2)
N1-C3	1.339(3)
N3-C5	1.481(3)
N4-C4	1.468(3)
C3-N2	1.341(3)
C2-C1	1.739(3)
C4-C5	1.515(3)
N4-P1-N3	94.5(1)
N4-P1-C2	100.0(1)
N3-P1-C2	98.9(1)
O1-Si1-N2	122.1(1)
O1-Si1-N1	121.2(1)
N2-Si1-N1	72.5(1)
O1-Si1-C1	120.2(1)
N2-Si1-C1	105.3(1)
N1-Si1-C1	105.5(1)

C5-N3-P1	110.7(1)
C4-N4-P1	111.1(2)
N1-C3-N2	106.9(2)
C3-N2-Si1	90.6(1)
C1-C2-P1	117.8(1)
N3-C5-C4	108.2(2)

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Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

Compound **6** (CCDC 2075599)

**Table S7** Crystal data and structure refinement for **6**.

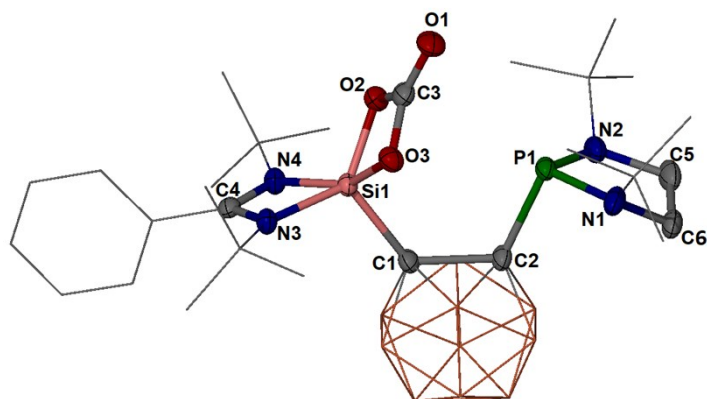
Empirical formula	C <sub>28</sub> H <sub>55</sub> B <sub>10</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>3</sub> P Si	
Formula weight	662.92	
Temperature	150(2) K	
Wavelength	1.54184 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> /n	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 9.7706(2) Å	α = 90°.
	b = 22.3265(4) Å	β = 103.718(2)°.
	c = 17.6158(4) Å	γ = 90°.
Volume	3733.15(14) Å <sup>3</sup>	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	1.179 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>	
Absorption coefficient	1.224 mm <sup>-1</sup>	
F(000)	1416	
Crystal size	0.260 x 0.210 x 0.130 mm <sup>3</sup>	
Theta range for data collection	3.254 to 67.495°.	
Index ranges	-11 ≤ h ≤ 9, -25 ≤ k ≤ 26, -21 ≤ l ≤ 21	
Reflections collected	14627	
Independent reflections	6729 [R(int) = 0.0377]	
Completeness to theta = 67.496°	100.0 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	1.00000 and 0.92297	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>	
Data / restraints / parameters	6729 / 0 / 436	
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.023	
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.0423, wR2 = 0.1013	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0601, wR2 = 0.1147	

Extinction coefficient

n/a

Largest diff. peak and hole

0.369 and -0.276 e.Å<sup>-3</sup>



**Fig. S4** Molecular Structure of **6**. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability level. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity. Bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for **6**.

**Table S8** Bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for **6**.

P1-N1	1.684(2)
P1-N2	1.708(2)
P1-C2	1.932(2)
Si1-O2	1.718(1)
Si1-O3	1.770(1)
Si1-N3	1.811(2)
Si1-N4	1.874(2)
Si1-C1	1.939(2)
Si1-C3	2.217(2)
Si1-C4	2.288(2)
O1-C3	1.194(2)
O2-C3	1.362(2)
O3-C3	1.340(2)
N3-C4	1.348(3)
N1-C6	1.472(3)
C4-N4	1.325(3)
N2-C5	1.483(3)
C5-C6	1.516(4)
C1-C2	1.738(3)
N1-P1-N2	95.4(1)
N1-P1-C2	98.8(1)

N2-P1-C2	101.2(1)
O2-Si1-O3	75.0(1)
O2-Si1-N3	132.7(1)
O3-Si1-N3	98.2(1)
O2-Si1-N4	94.8(1)
O3-Si1-N4	154.7(1)
N3-Si1-N4	71.4(1)
O2-Si1-C1	117.5(1)
O3-Si1-C1	102.1(1)
N3-Si1-C1	109.8(1)
N4-Si1-C1	103.2(1)
O2-Si1-C3	37.9(1)
O3-Si1-C3	37.2(1)
N3-Si1-C3	120.2(1)
N4-Si1-C3	128.3(1)
C1-Si1-C3	115.8(1)
O2-Si1-C4	116.6(1)
O3-Si1-C4	129.7(1)
N3-Si1-C4	36.1(1)
N4-Si1-C4	35.4(1)
C1-Si1-C4	111.8(1)
C3-Si1-C4	132.4(1)
C3-O2-Si1	91.3(1)
C3-O3-Si1	89.9(1)
C4-N3-Si1	91.6(1)
C6-N1-P1	109.4(2)
N4-C4-N3	107.2(2)
N4-C4-Si1	55.0(1)
N3-C4-Si1	52.3(1)
C4-N4-Si1	89.6(1)
O1-C3-O3	129.3(2)
O1-C3-O2	126.9(2)
O3-C3-O2	103.7(2)
O1-C3-Si1	176.8(2)
O3-C3-Si1	53.0(1)
O2-C3-Si1	50.8(1)
C5-N2-P1	110.8(2)
C2-C1-Si1	123.9(1)
C1-C2-P1	117.0(1)



N2-C5-C6	107.9(2)
N1-C6-C5	107.6(2)

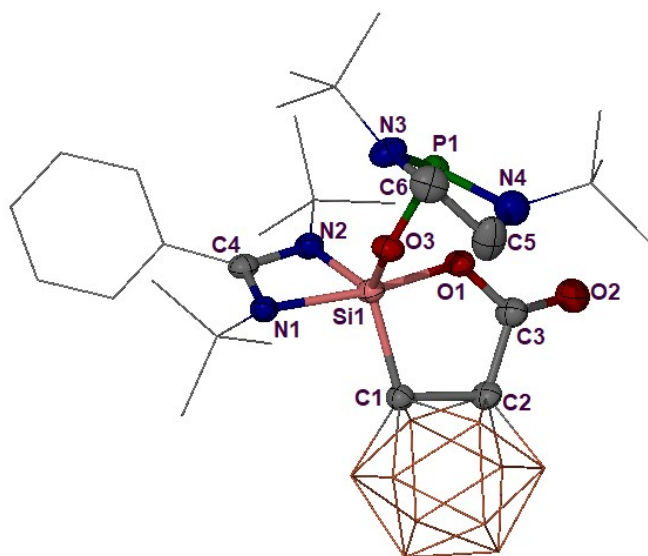
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Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

Compound 7 (CCDC 2075597)

**Table S9** Crystal data and structure refinement for 7.

Empirical formula	C <sub>28</sub> H <sub>55</sub> B <sub>10</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>3</sub> P Si	
Formula weight	662.92	
Temperature	150(2) K	
Wavelength	1.54184 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 16.6462(7) Å	α = 90°.
	b = 15.4729(5) Å	β = 117.670(6)°.
	c = 16.1445(7) Å	γ = 90°.
Volume	3682.7(3) Å <sup>3</sup>	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	1.196 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>	
Absorption coefficient	1.241 mm <sup>-1</sup>	
F(000)	1416	
Crystal size	0.230 x 0.150 x 0.100 mm <sup>3</sup>	
Theta range for data collection	2.998 to 67.500°.	
Index ranges	-15 ≤ h ≤ 19, -18 ≤ k ≤ 15, -19 ≤ l ≤ 19	
Reflections collected	18908	
Independent reflections	6629 [R(int) = 0.0619]	
Completeness to theta = 67.500°	99.9 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	1.00000 and 0.47626	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>	
Data / restraints / parameters	6629 / 15 / 467	
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.027	
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.0523, wR2 = 0.1333	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0746, wR2 = 0.1546	
Extinction coefficient	n/a	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.481 and -0.358 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>	



**Fig. S5** Molecular Structure of **7**. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability level. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity. Bond lengths [ $\text{\AA}$ ] and angles [ $^\circ$ ] for **7**.

**Table S10** Bond lengths [ $\text{\AA}$ ] and angles [ $^\circ$ ] for **7**.

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P1-O3	1.666(2)
P1-N4	1.679(2)
P1-N3	1.697(2)
Si1-O3	1.624(1)
Si1-O1	1.773(2)
Si1-N2	1.796(2)
Si1-C1	1.937(3)
Si1-N1	1.944(2)
O1-C3	1.314(3)
O2-C3	1.200(3)
N1-C4	1.314(3)
C1-C2	1.652(3)
N2-C4	1.371(3)
C3-C2	1.515(4)
N3-C6	1.470(3)
C6-C5	1.516(4)
N4-C5	1.469(4)
O3-P1-N4	99.8(1)
O3-P1-N3	97.9(1)

N4-P1-N3	94.1(1)
O3-Si1-O1	94.2(1)
O3-Si1-N2	120.2(1)
O1-Si1-N2	97.4(1)
O3-Si1-C1	120.6(1)
O1-Si1-C1	88.2(1)
N2-Si1-C1	118.3(1)
O3-Si1-N1	92.2(1)
O1-Si1-N1	167.8(1)
N2-Si1-N1	70.5(1)
C1-Si1-N1	97.5(1)
C3-O1-Si1	123.9(2)
Si1-O3-P1	134.7(1)
C4-N1-Si1	88.8(2)
C2-C1-Si1	106.2(2)
C4-N2-Si1	93.4(2)
O2-C3-O1	125.5(2)
O2-C3-C2	122.4(2)
O1-C3-C2	112.1(2)
C6-N3-P1	112.5(2)
N1-C4-N2	107.1(2)
C3-C2-C1	109.5(2)
N3-C6-C5	105.9(2)
C5-N4-P1	109.0(2)
N4-C5-C6	107.3(2)

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Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

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