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Coordination Complexes Bearing Potentially Tetradentate Phenoxy-Amine Ligands

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Table S1. Crystal Data, Data Collection and Refinement Parameters for compounds4c and 5a.

data	4c	5a
formula	$C_{42}H_{72}MgN_2O_6$	$C_{54}H_{100}CaN_6O_2$
solvent	_	C_7H_8
formula weight	725.33	997.61
colour, habit	colourless blocky needles	colourless tabular needles
crystal size / mm	$0.15 \times 0.13 \times 0.07$	$0.12 \times 0.11 \times 0.04$
temperature / K	173	173
crystal system	monoclinic	triclinic
space group	$P2_1/n$ (no. 14)	<i>P</i> 1 (no. 2)
a / Å	15.7123(6)	10.8234(10)
b/Å	30.5819(12)	12.9659(12)
c/Å	18.7720(7)	13.1370(11)
α / deg	—	110.331(8)
β / deg	90.923(3)	107.408(8)
γ/ deg	_	100.882(8)
<i>V</i> / Å ³	9019.0(6)	1558.8(2)
Ζ	8 [a]	1 [b]
$D_{\rm c}$ / g cm ⁻³	1.068	1.063
radiation used	Μο-Κα	Μο-Κα
μ / mm ⁻¹	0.082	0.144
θ max / deg	66	65
no. of unique refins		
measured	30993	10277
obs, <i>F</i> ₀ > 4σ(<i>F</i> ₀)	24491	8941
no. of variables	949	372
R ₁ , wR ₂ [c]	0.298, 0.447	0.175, 0.356
CCDC	293483	293484

[a] There are two crystallographically independent molecules in the asymmetric unit. [b] The molecule has crystallographic C_i symmetry. [c] $R_1 = \Sigma ||F_o| - |F_c||/\Sigma |F_o|$; $wR_2 = \{\Sigma [w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2] / \Sigma [w(F_o^2)^2]\}^{1/2}$; $w^{-1} = \sigma^2 (F_o^2) + (aP)^2 + bP$.

Data were collected using an Oxford Diffraction X calibur 3 diffractometer, and the structures were refined based on F^2 using the SHELXTL and SHELX-97 program systems.¹



Fig. S1 The molecular structure of 2a (50% probability ellipsoids).



Fig. S2 The molecular structure of **3b** (50% probability ellipsoids).



Fig. S3 The molecular structure of one (II) of the two independent complexes present in the crystals of **6c**.



Fig. S4 The molecular structure of one (I) of the two independent complexes present in the crystals of **6c** (50% probability ellipsoids).



Fig. S5 The molecular structure of one (**II**) of the two independent complexes present in the crystals of **6c** (50% probability ellipsoids).



Fig. S6 Overlay of the two independent complexes (**I** and **II**) present in the crystals of **6c**. The r.m.s. fit of all the non-hydrogen atoms of the two complexes is *ca*. 0.057 Å.



Fig. S7 The molecular structure of one (II) of the two independent complexes present in the crystals of **7a**.



Fig. S8 The molecular structure of one (I) of the two independent complexes present in the crystals of **7a** (30% probability ellipsoids).



Fig. S9 The molecular structure of one (**II**) of the two independent complexes present in the crystals of **7a** (30% probability ellipsoids).



Fig. S10 Overlay of the two independent complexes (I and II) present in the crystals of 7a. With the exception of the disordered C(16) to C(22) sidearm, the non-hydrogen atoms of the two complexes have an r.m.s. fit of *ca.* 0.069 Å.



Fig. S11 The molecular structure of 7b (50% probability ellipsoids).







Fig. S13 The molecular structure of 9c (50% probability ellipsoids).



Fig. S14 The molecular structure of 10c (50% probability ellipsoids).



Fig. S15 The molecular structure of one (I) of the two independent complexes present in the crystals of 4c.



Fig. S16 The molecular structure of one (II) of the two independent complexes present in the crystals of **4c**.



Fig. S17 The molecular structure of one (I) of the two independent complexes present in the crystals of **4c** (50% probability ellipsoids).



Fig. S18 The molecular structure of one (II) of the two independent complexes present in the crystals of **4c** (50% probability ellipsoids).



Fig. S19 The molecular structure of the C_i -symmetric complex 5a (50% probability ellipsoids).

Reference

¹ SHELXTL PC version 5.1, Bruker AXS, Madison, WI, 1997; SHELX-97, G. Sheldrick, Institut Anorg. Chemie, Tammannstr. 4, D37077 Göttingen, Germany, 199