

Supplementary Materials

Synthesis and Structure of Methylsulfanyl Derivatives of Nickel Bis(Dicarbollide)

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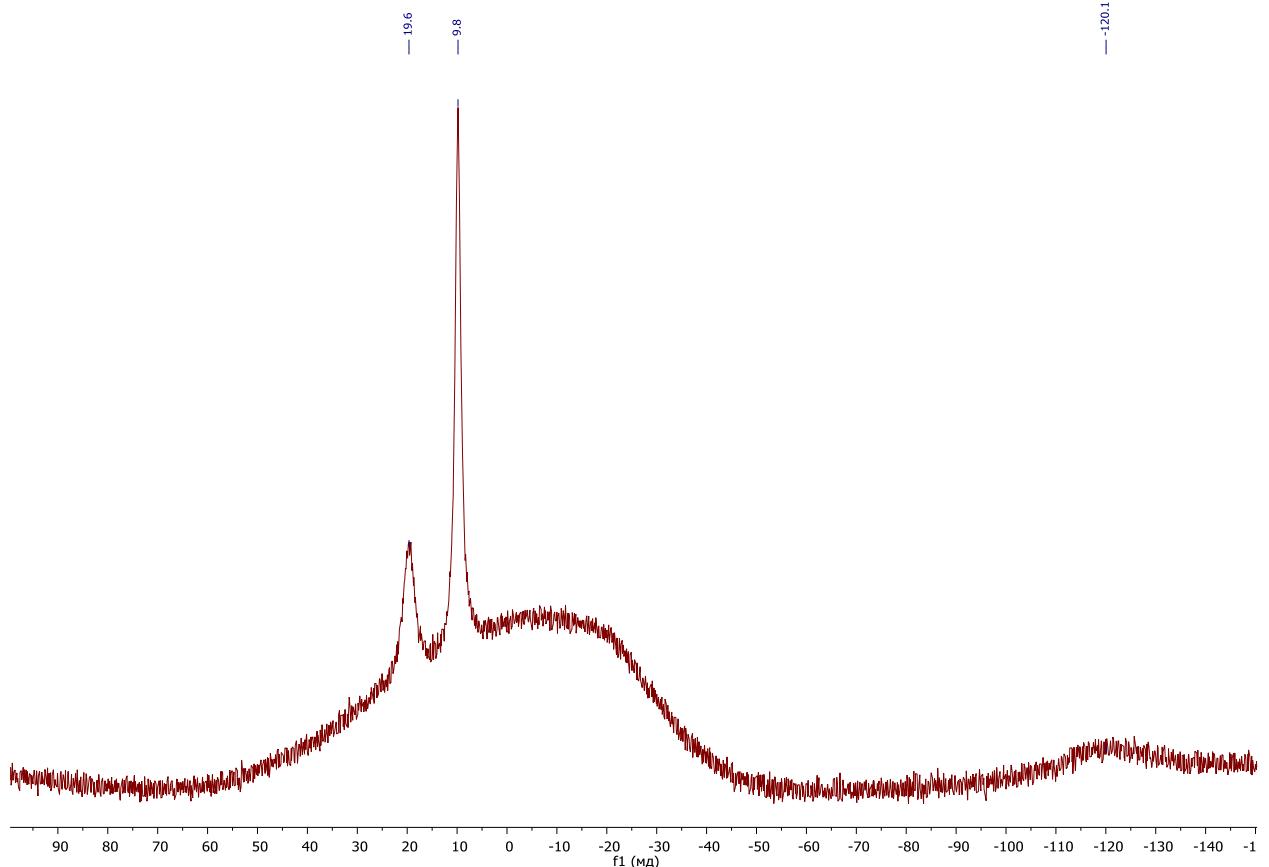


Figure S1. ^{11}B NMR spectrum of $(\text{Bu}_4\text{N})[8,8`-(\text{MeS})_2-\text{Ni}(\text{C}_2\text{B}_9\text{H}_{10})_2]$ in acetone- d_6 .

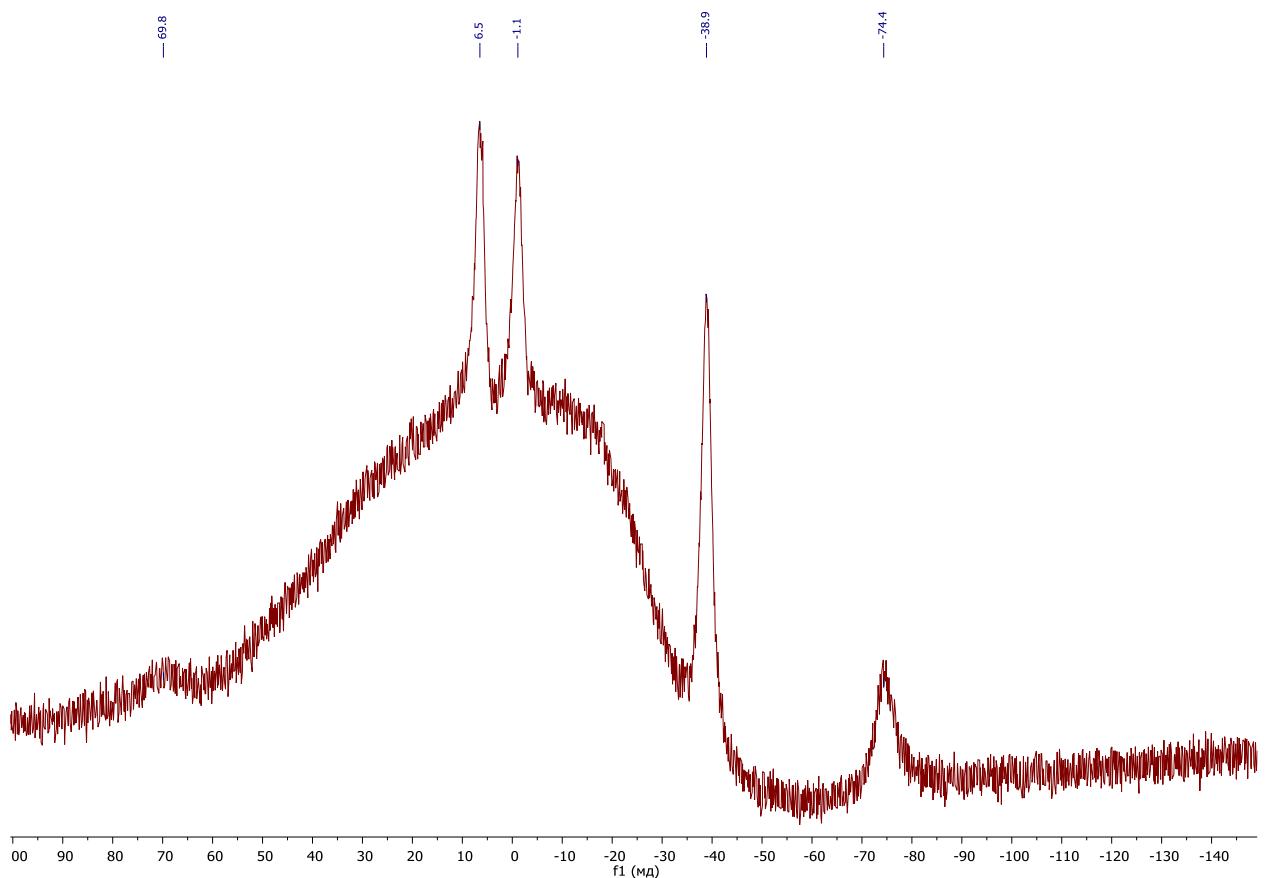


Figure S2. ^{11}B NMR spectrum of $(\text{Bu}_4\text{N})[4,4`-(\text{MeS})_2-\text{Ni}(\text{C}_2\text{B}_9\text{H}_{10})_2]$ in acetone- d_6 .

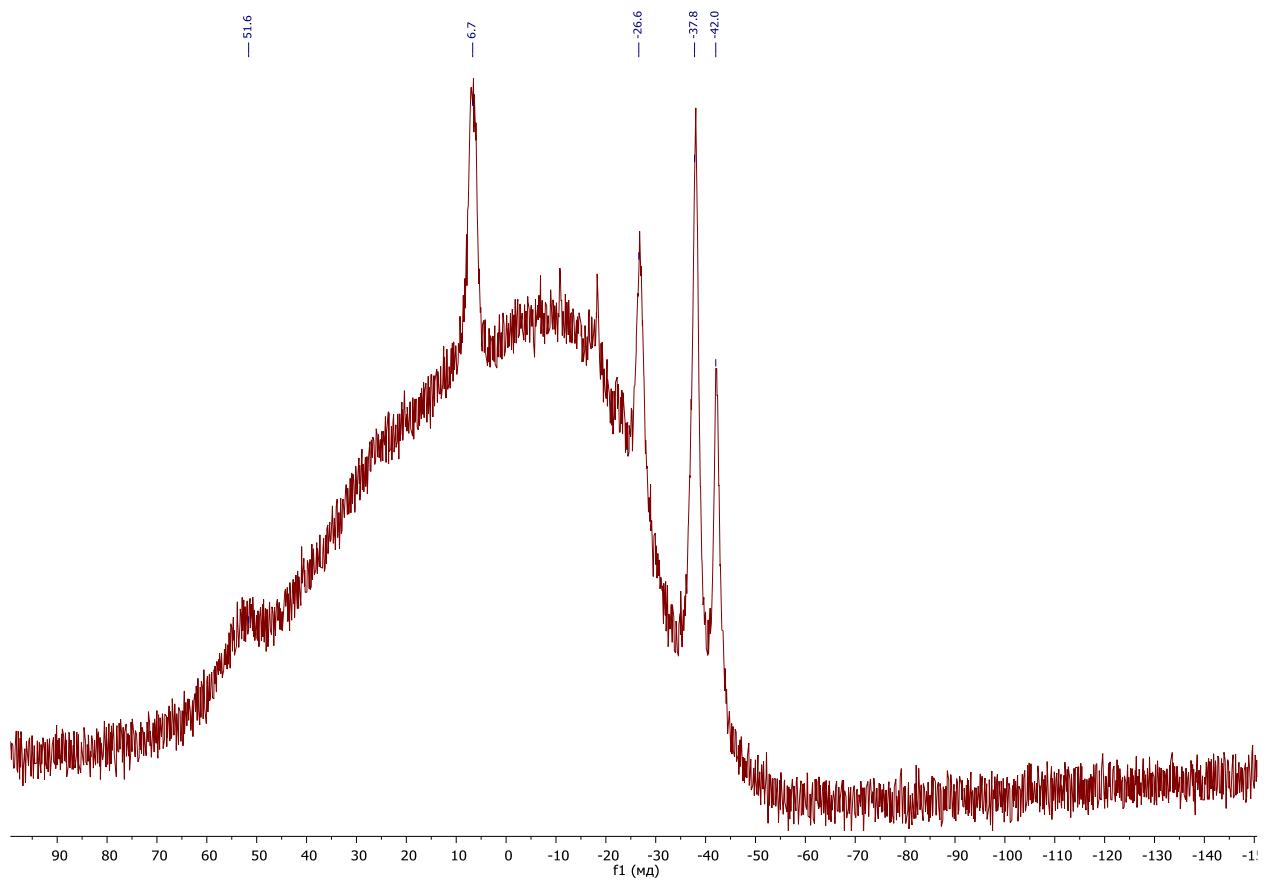


Figure S3. ¹¹B NMR spectrum of (Bu₄N)[4,7'-(MeS)₂-Ni(C₂B₉H₁₀)₂] in acetone-d₆.

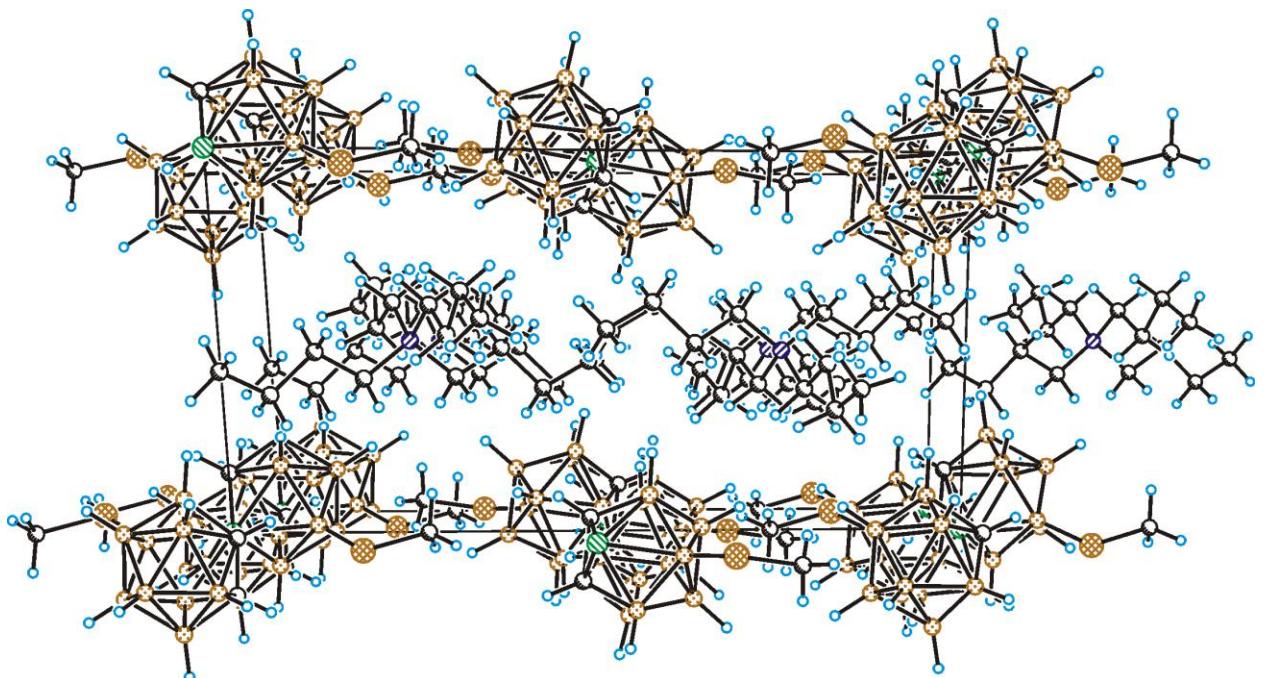


Figure S4. Crystal packing fragment of (Bu₄N)[8,8'-(MeS)₂-3,3'-Ni(1,2-C₂B₉H₁₀)₂]. Alternation of anionic and cationic layers parallel to the bc crystallographic plane is shown.

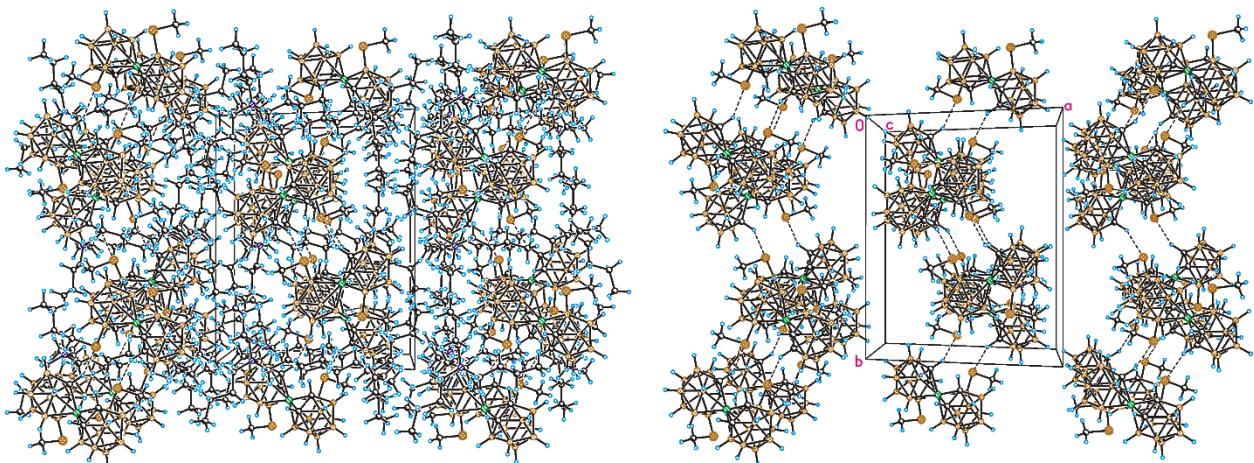


Figure S5. Crystal packing fragment of $(\text{Bu}_4\text{N})[4,7'-(\text{MeS})_2-3,3'\text{-Ni}(1,2\text{-C}_2\text{B}_9\text{H}_{10})_2]$. Alternation of anionic and cationic layers parallel to the bc crystallographic plane is shown. Total packing is presented on the left side while anion disposition is presented on the left side for more clear understanding. Cationic layers penetrate into anionic layers.

Table S1. Crystallographic data for compounds (Bu₄N)[8,8'-(MeS)₂-3,3'-Ni(1,2-C₂B₉H₁₀)₂] (**1**) and (Bu₄N)[4,7'-(MeS)₂-3,3'-Ni(1,2-C₂B₉H₁₀)₂] (**2**).

	1	2
formula	C ₆ H ₂₆ B ₁₈ NiS ₂ ⁻ , C ₁₆ H ₃₆ N ⁺	C ₆ H ₂₆ B ₁₈ NiS ₂ ⁻ , C ₁₆ H ₃₆ N ⁺
fw	658.13	658.13
crystal system	Triclinic	Monoclinic
space group	<i>P</i> -1	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ /c
<i>a</i> , Å	10.4662(5)	15.004(4)
<i>b</i> , Å	10.4746(5)	17.500(5)
<i>c</i> , Å	18.6951(9)	14.919(4)
α , deg.	83.6560(10)	90.0
β , deg.	86.5750(10)	111.443(6)
γ , deg.	64.9800(10)	90.0
<i>V</i> , Å ³	1845.64(15)	3646.0(17)
<i>Z</i>	2	4
d _{cryst} , g·cm ⁻³	1.184	1.199
F(000)	702	1404
μ , mm ⁻¹	0.657	0.665
θ range, deg.	1.1 – 26.0	1.9 – 24.0
independent reflections / <i>R</i> _{int}	7270	5711
Completeness to theta θ , %	99.9	99.9
refined parameters	486	423
<i>GOF</i> (<i>F</i> ²)	1.072	1.033
reflections with <i>I</i> >2 σ (<i>I</i>)	5668	2971
<i>R</i> ₁ (<i>F</i>) (<i>I</i> >2 σ (<i>I</i>)) ^a	0.0413	0.0761
<i>wR</i> ₂ (<i>F</i> ²) (all data) ^b	0.1039	0.1901
Largest diff. peak/hole, e·Å ⁻³	0.439 / -0.266	0.785 / -0.409

^a $R_1 = \sum|F_o - |F_c||/\sum(F_o)$; ^b $wR_2 = (\sum[w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2]/\sum[w(F_o^2)^2])^{1/2}$

Table S2. Characteristics of (3,-1) bond critical points associated with the intramolecular interactions of SMe group (interatomic distance r in Å, electron density at BCP ρ_c in a.u., energies in kcal·mol⁻¹)

	8,8'-isomer			4,7'-isomer			4,4'-isomer			
	<i>cisoid</i>	<i>gauche</i>	<i>transoid</i>	<i>cisoid</i>	<i>gauche</i>	<i>transoid</i>	<i>cisoid1</i>	<i>cisoid2</i>	<i>gauche1</i>	<i>gauche2</i>
ΔE	10.3	3.7	0.0	12.4	8.1	8.5	13.0	10.7	4.7	10.2
ΔG^{298}	10.6	4.0	0.0	12.1	8.4	9.2	13.2	10.3	5.0	10.8
Interactions with S atom										
Type	S···S	CH···S	CH···S	CH···S	CH···S	S···HB	S···HB	CH···S	CH···S	S···HB
R	3.381	2.656	2.722	2.602	2.528	2.558	2.903	2.575	2.600	2.930
ρ_c	0.013	0.012	0.011	0.012	0.014	0.014	0.008	0.014	0.012	0.008
E_{BCP}	-1.7	-2.0	-1.8	-3.0	-2.6	-2.5	-1.2	-2.4	-2.2	-1.1
Type		CH···S	CH···S	S···HB	CH···S	S···HB	S···HB	CH···S	CH···S	S···HB
R		2.658	2.722	2.889	2.982	2.558	2.904	2.575	2.600	2.931
ρ_c		0.012	0.011	0.010	0.007	0.014	0.008	0.014	0.012	0.008
E_{BCP}		-2.0	-1.8	-1.5	-1.1	-2.5	-1.2	-2.4	-2.2	-1.1
Type			CH···S	S···S	S···HB		S···HB	S···HB	CH···S	S···S
R			2.740	3.526	2.820		3.044	3.022	2.902	3.416
ρ_c			0.010	0.009	0.009		0.008	0.007	0.008	0.013
E_{BCP}			-1.6	-1.2	-1.4		-1.1	-1.1	-1.3	-1.6
Type				CH···S			S···HB	S···HB	CH···S	
R				2.740			3.044	3.022	2.902	
ρ_c				0.010			0.008	0.007	0.008	
E_{BCP}				-1.6			-1.1	-1.1	-1.3	
Interactions of CH₃ group (CH···HB)										
R	2.318	2.472	2.490	2.417	2.517	2.828 ^a		2.325	2.342	2.407
ρ_c	0.008	0.006	0.006	0.007	0.006	0.008		0.008	0.007	0.008
E_{BCP}	-1.3	-0.9	-0.8	-1.0	-0.8	-1.1		-1.2	-1.2	-1.1
R	2.318	2.438	2.473	2.294	2.335	2.828 ^a		2.464	2.530	2.407
ρ_c	0.008	0.006	0.006	0.008	0.007	0.008		0.006	0.005	0.008
E_{BCP}	-1.3	-0.9	-0.8	-1.3	-1.2	-1.1		-0.9	-0.7	-1.1
R		2.473	2.473		2.863 ^a			2.326	2.341	
ρ_c		0.006	0.006		0.007			0.008	0.007	
E_{BCP}		-0.9	-0.8		-1.0			-1.2	-1.2	
R		2.437	2.490					2.465	2.530	
ρ_c		0.006	0.006					0.006	0.005	
E_{BCP}		-0.9	-0.8					-0.9	-0.7	

^a BH···C(Me) interaction

