

Supporting Information

Synthesis and characterization of novel cobalt carbonyl phosphorus and arsenic clusters

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1. Synthesis and characterization of compound 1:

A solution of $\text{W}(\text{CO})_6$ (2.5 g, 7.1 mmol) in THF (250 mL) was irradiated for five hours with a mercury vapor lamp. THF was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was solved in toluene (250 mL). To this solution $\text{As}(\text{SiMe}_3)_3$ (2.1 mL, 7.1 mmol) was added and the mixture was stirred for nine days at room temperature. Subsequently MeOH (1 mL, 26 mmol) was added and the solution was stirred for further three days (**2**) at room temperature. After removing the solvent under reduced pressure, crystals were obtained by sublimation of the residual solids at 45 °C at 10^{-3} mbar. Yield: 1.284 g (45 %). IR (KBr): $\tilde{\nu}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ = 2079 (m), 1990 (m), 1908 (br vs), 2196 (m), 903 (s), 577 (m). ^1H NMR (400.132 MHz, C_6D_6): $\delta[\text{ppm}]$ = 1.56 (s, 3 H, AsH_3). $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100.613 MHz, C_6D_6): $\delta[\text{ppm}]$ = 195.7 (s, $^1J_{\text{CW}}$ = 125.6 Hz, CO), 198.1 (s, CO). EI-MS (70 eV): m/z (%) = 401.8 (83) [M^+], 373.8 (18) [$\text{M}^+ - \text{CO}$], 345.8 (52) [$\text{M}^+ - 2 \text{CO}$], 315.8 (96) [$\text{M}^+ - 3 \text{CO} - 2 \text{H}$], 286.8 (58) [$\text{M}^+ - 4 \text{CO} - 3 \text{H}$], 258.8 (35) [$\text{M}^+ - 5 \text{CO} - 3 \text{H}$]. Anal. Calcd for $\text{CrC}_5\text{O}_5\text{AsH}_3$ (269.86 g/mol): C, 22.24; H, 1.12. Found C, 22.80; H, 1.17 (**1**). Elemental analysis, calcd. for $\text{WC}_5\text{O}_5\text{AsH}_3$ (401.87 g/mol): C, 14.94; H, 0.75. Found C, 14.98; H, 0.63.

2. NMR spectra of compounds 1-4, 6-9 and A:

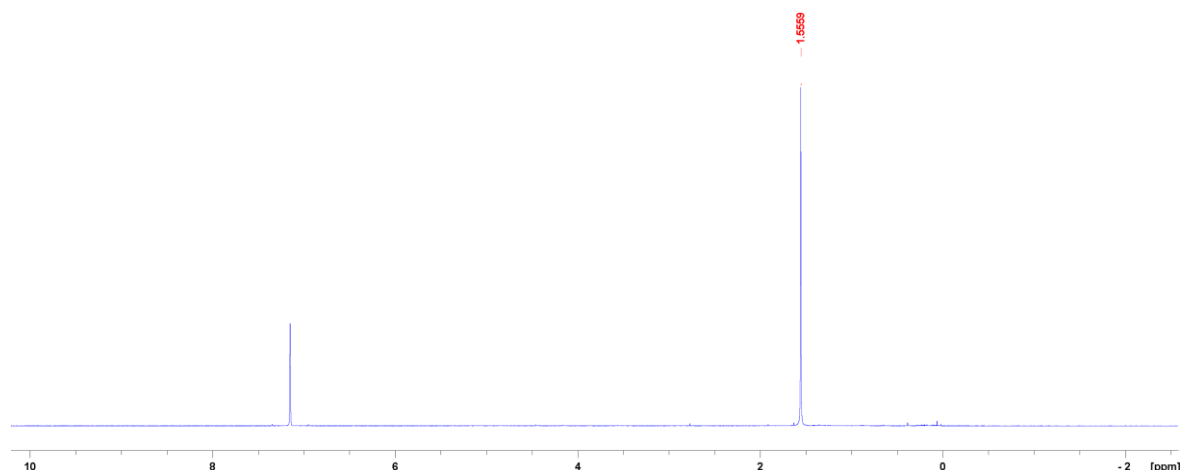


Figure S1. ^1H NMR spectrum of **1**.

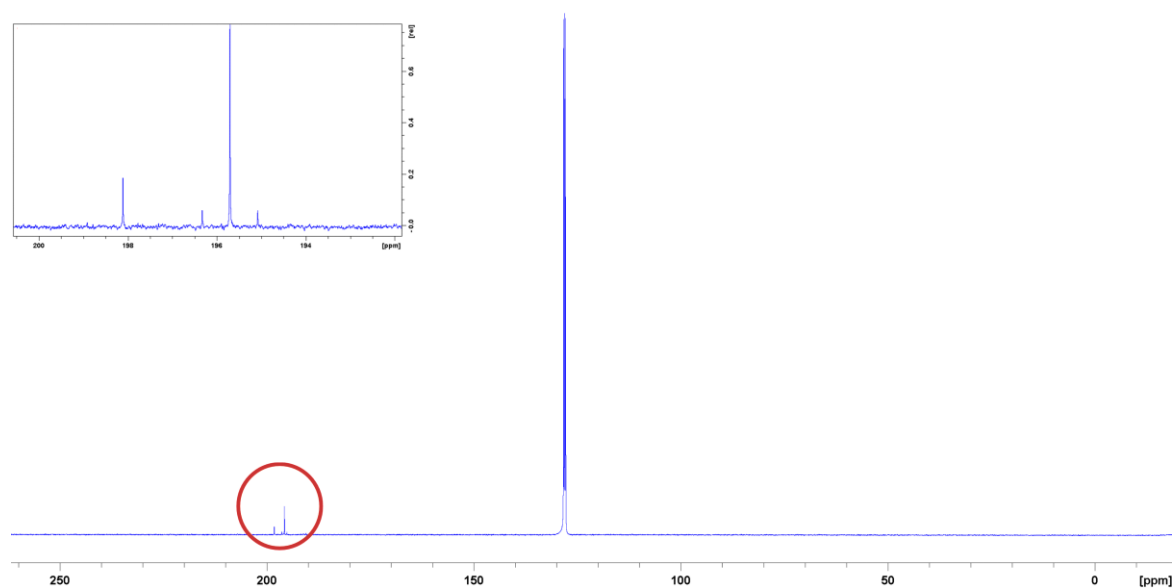


Figure S2. $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of **1**.

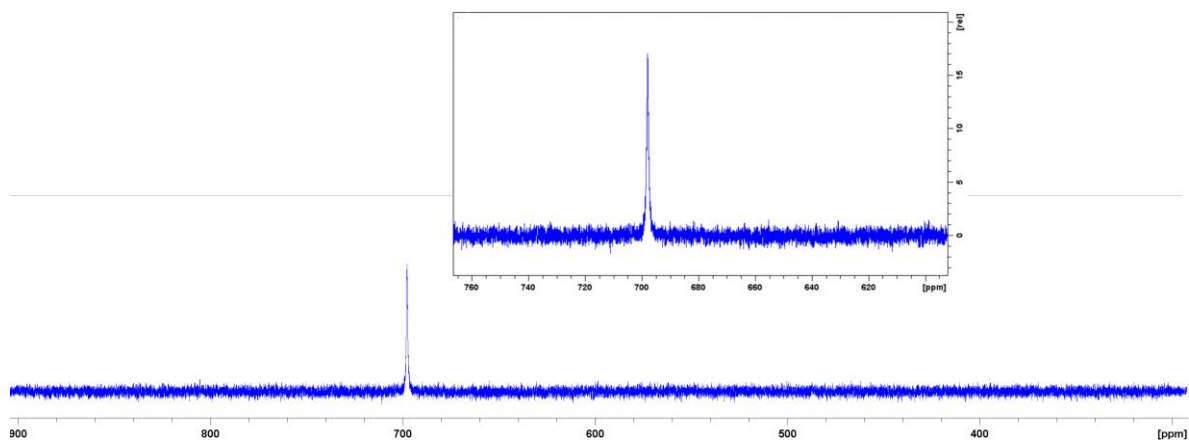


Figure S3. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of **2**.

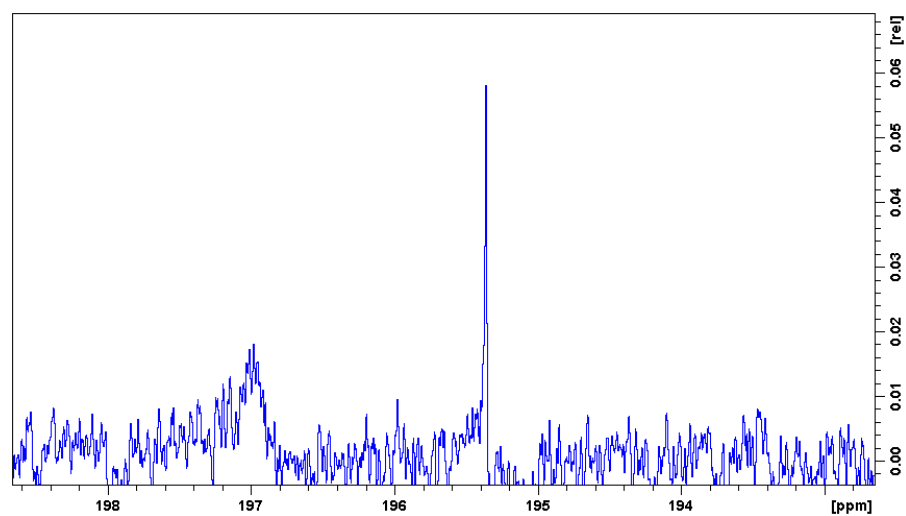
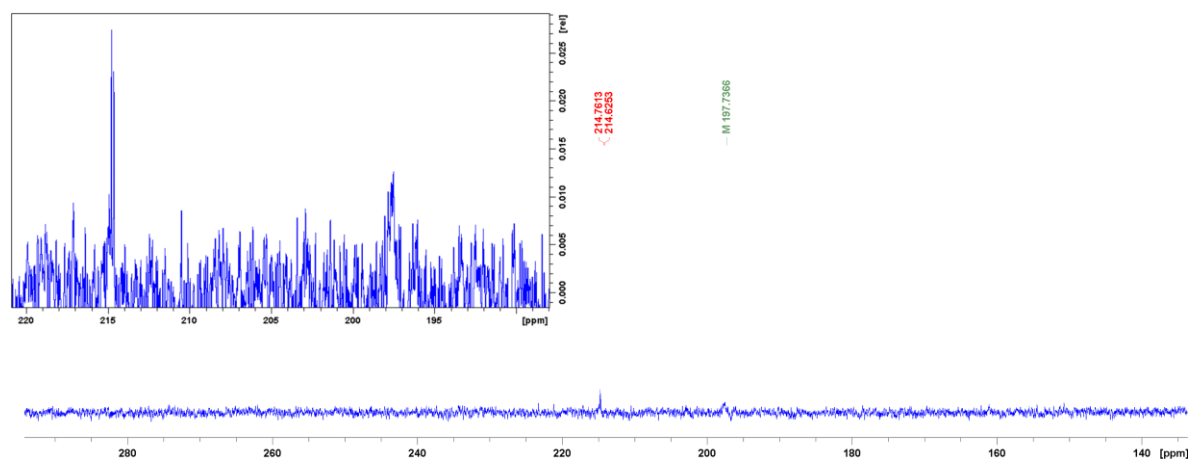


Figure S4. $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of **2** (above) and **3** (below).

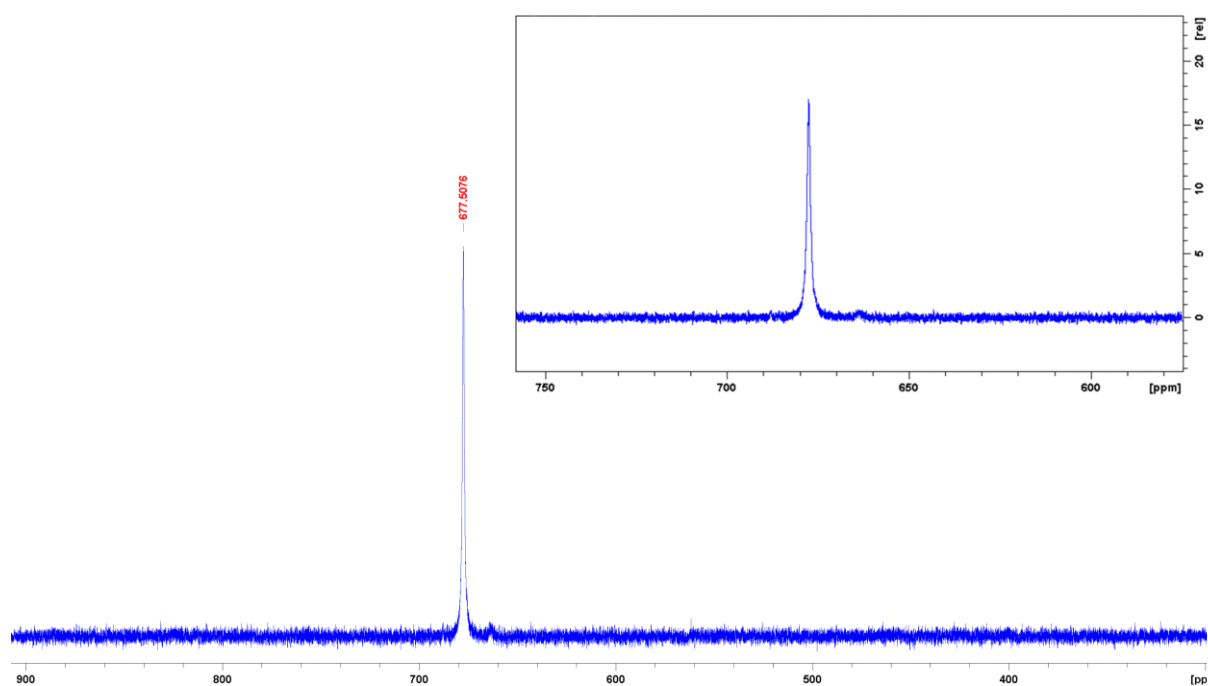


Figure S5. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of **4**.

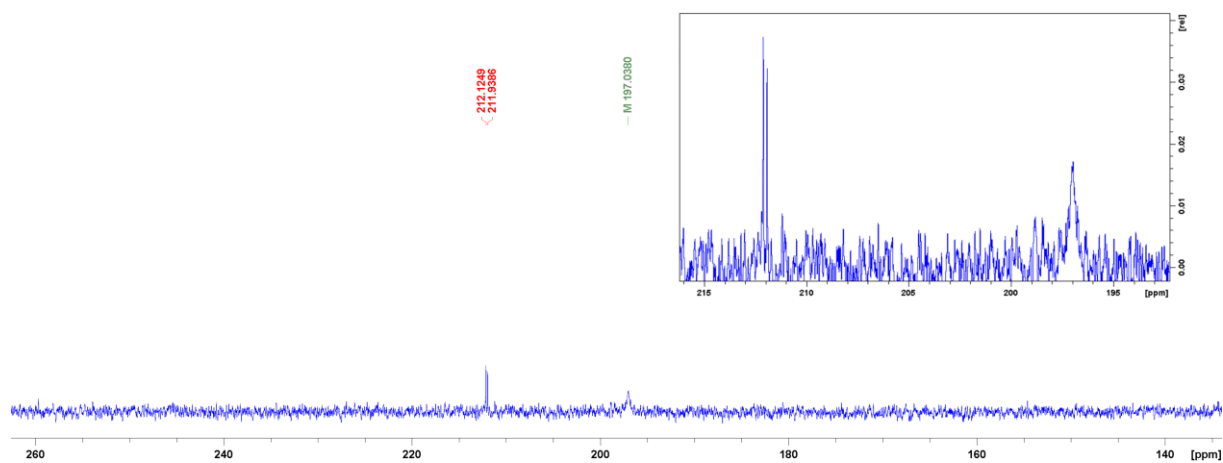


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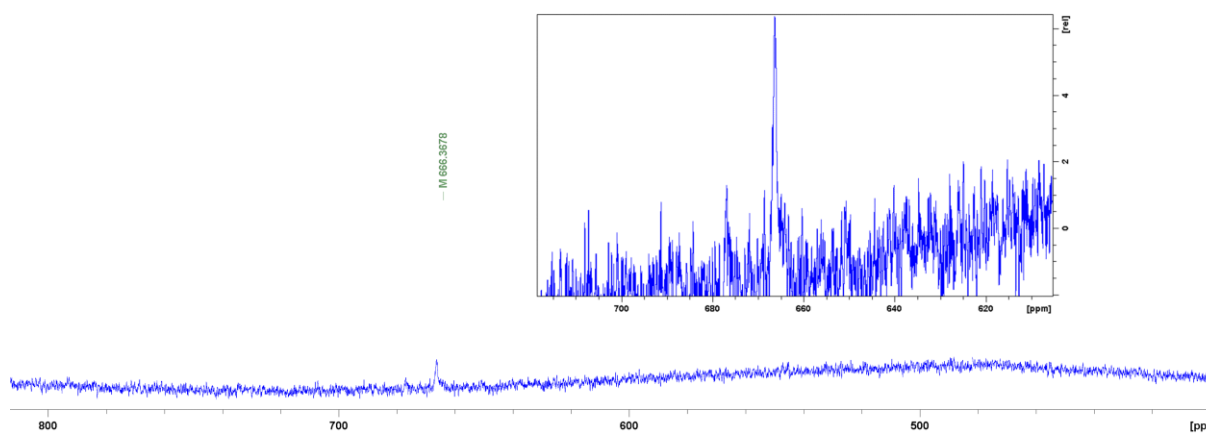


Figure S7. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of **6**.

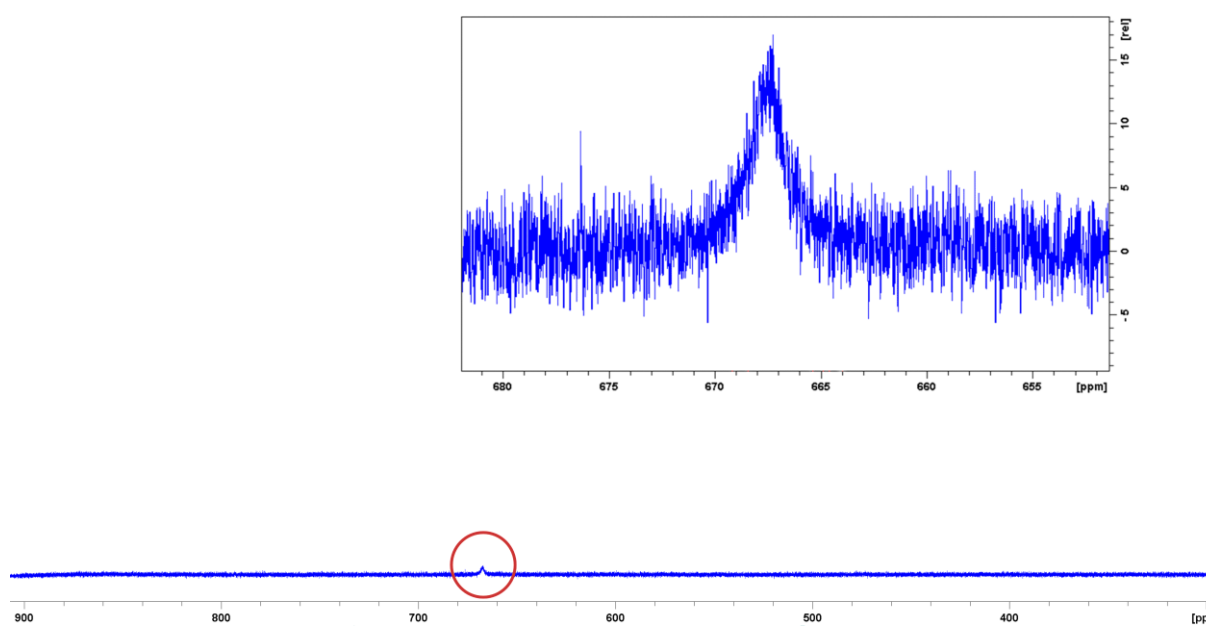


Figure S8. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of **7**.

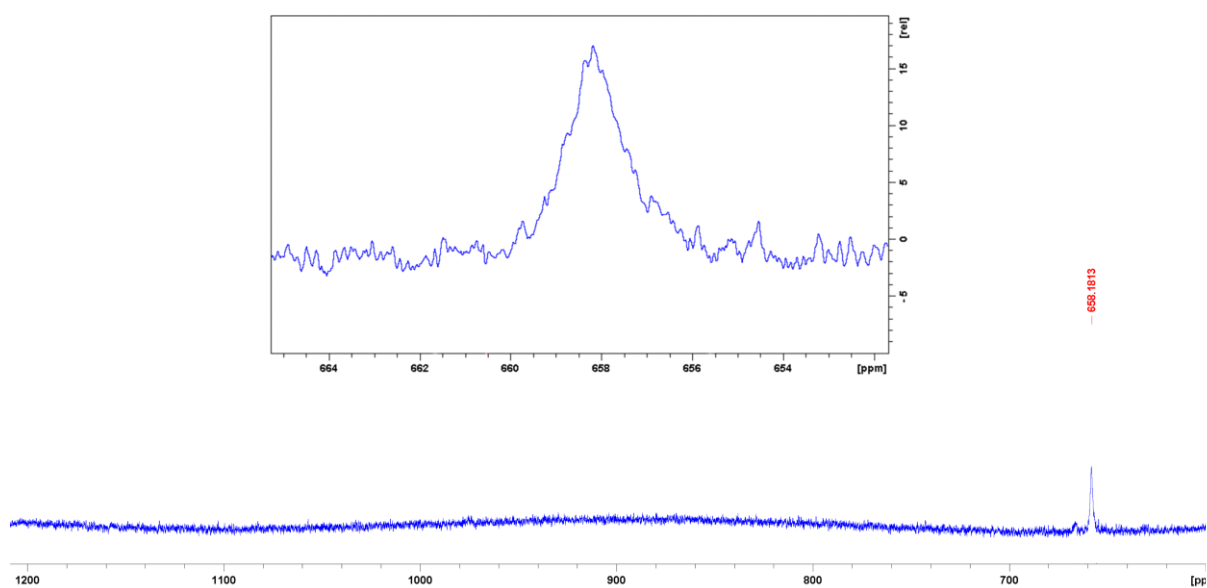


Figure S9. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of **8**.

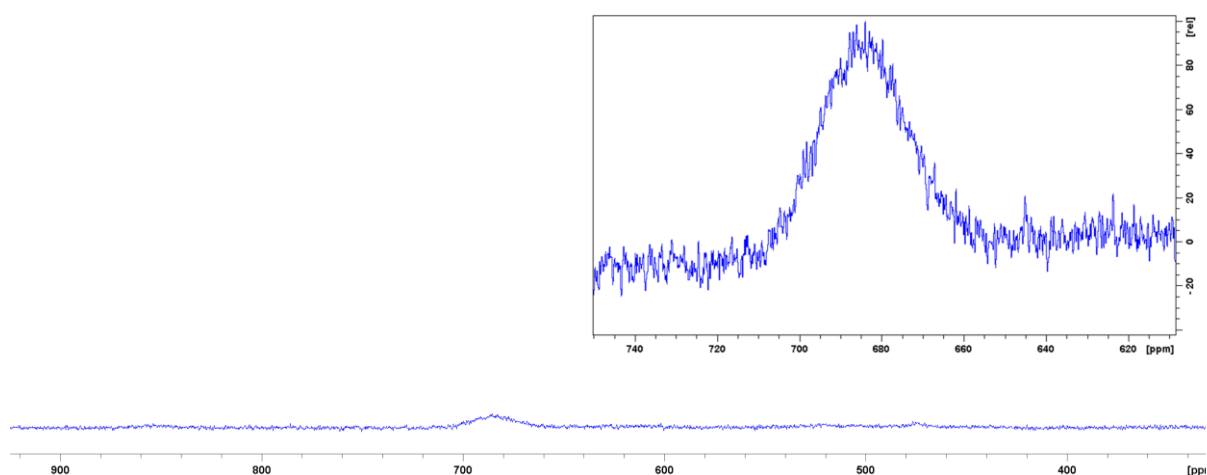


Figure S10. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ MAS NMR spectrum of **9**.

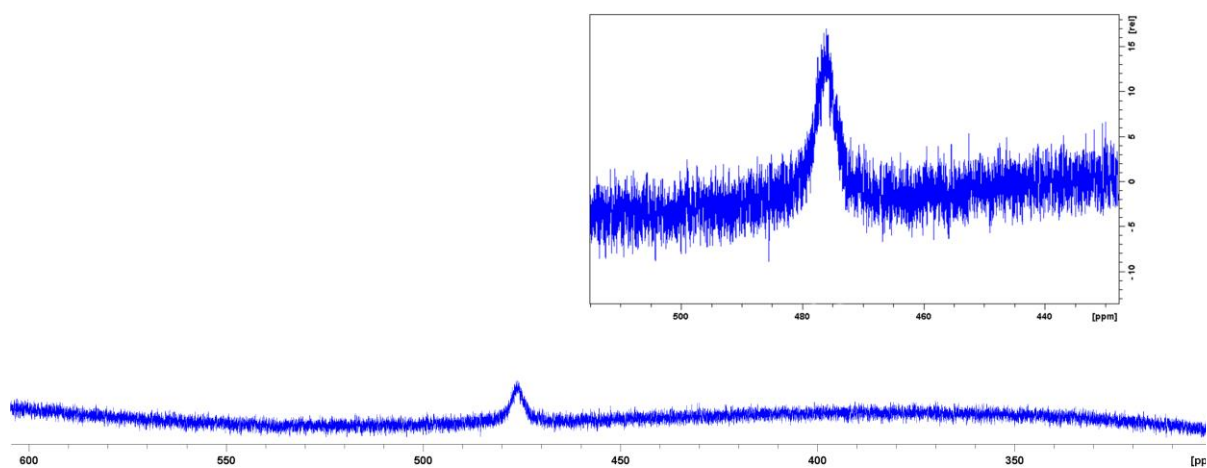


Figure S11. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of **A**.

3. DFT calculations for cluster 5:

All calculations have been performed using ORCA program, version 5.0.3.^[1] For the geometry optimization and frequency analysis the $r^2\text{SCAN-3c}$ ^[2] composite method has been used, which includes geometrical counterpoise correction gCP ^[3] and the atom-pairwise dispersion correction based on tight binding partial charges (D4)^[4] as well as the def2-mTZVPP auxiliary and orbital basis set.^[2]

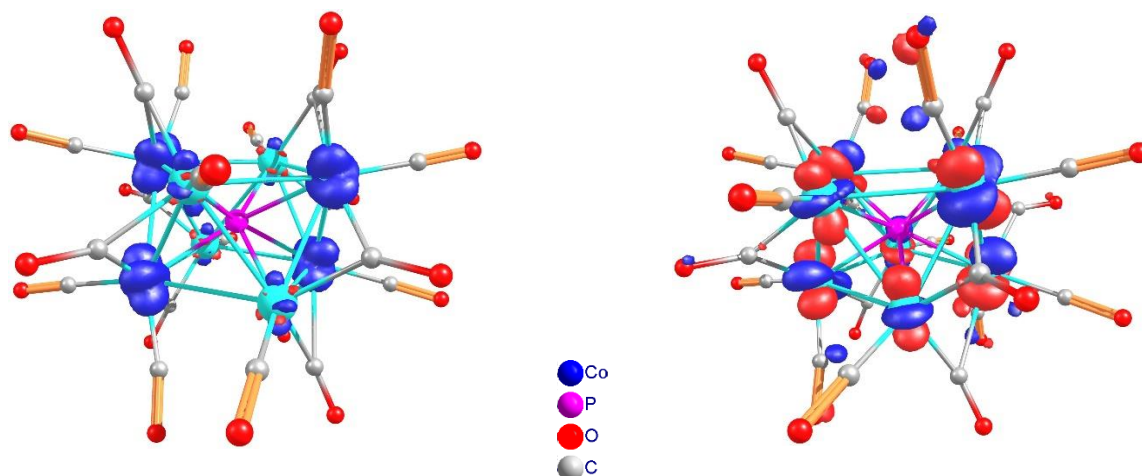


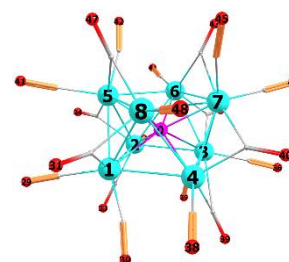
Figure S12. Spin density distribution (left) and singly occupied natural orbital in $[\text{Co}_8(\text{CO})_{16}(\mu\text{-CO})_4\text{P}]$ (**5**) in the doublet ground state, calculated on the $r^2\text{SCAN-3c}$ level (right).

Table S1. Thermodynamic parameters (Hartree) calculated for **5** in different spin states at the $r^2\text{SCAN-3c}$ level of theory.

	Doublet	Quartet
Electronic energy	-13670.85694	-13670.83486
Total thermal energy	-13670.6203	-13670.59948
Total Enthalpy	-13670.61936	-13670.59854
Final entropy term	0.14625567	0.14938362
Final Gibbs free energy	-13670.76561	-13670.74792

Cartesian coordinates of the optimized geometry of **5** in the doublet ground state.

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4 Co:	-0.541762	0.025440
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Mayer bond orders larger than 0.100000

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B(0-P , 4-Co) :	0.4290	B(0-P , 5-Co) :	0.4141	B(0-P , 6-Co) :	0.4255
B(0-P , 7-Co) :	0.4131	B(0-P , 8-Co) :	0.4272	B(0-P , 11-C) :	-0.1006
B(0-P , 20-C) :	-0.1001	B(1-Co, 2-Co) :	0.3255	B(1-Co, 4-Co) :	0.2587
B(1-Co, 5-Co) :	0.3241	B(1-Co, 8-Co) :	0.3174	B(1-Co, 9-C) :	1.1555
B(1-Co, 10-C) :	1.1796	B(1-Co, 11-C) :	0.8049	B(1-Co, 13-C) :	0.2444
B(1-Co, 29-O) :	0.1439	B(1-Co, 30-O) :	0.1574	B(1-Co, 31-O) :	0.1234
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B(23-C , 43-O) :	2.0325	B(24-C , 44-O) :	2.1324	B(25-C , 45-O) :	2.0705
B(26-C , 46-O) :	2.1434	B(27-C , 47-O) :	2.0354	B(28-C , 48-O) :	2.1309

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Total thermal energy -13670.62029931 Eh

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Total Enthalpy ... -13670.61935510 Eh

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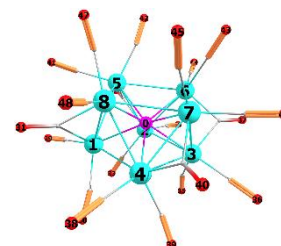
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Final Gibbs free energy ... -13670.76561076 Eh

Cartesian coordinates of the optimized geometry of **5** in the quartet spin state.

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O	3.62815426435334	2.95670412357337	1.45499175412697

4. Crystallographic details:

The crystallographic data for all described compounds were collected on an Xcalibur, Ruby, Gemini Ultra (Rigaku) with an AtlasS2 detector using Cu-K α (**3**,) or Mo-K α (**1**, **6**, **7**, **9**, **10**, **11**, **12**) radiation or an Agilent SuperNova diffractometer with Cu-K α (**5**, **8**) or Mo-K α (**2**, **4**) radiation. Data reduction and absorption correction were performed with the CrysAlisPro software package.^[5] Structure solution and refinement was conducted in Olex2 (1.5 alpha)^[6] with ShelXT^[7] (solution) and ShelXL 2018/3^[8] (least squares refinement (F2)). All non H atoms were refined with anisotropic displacement parameters and H atoms were treated as riding models with isotropic displacement parameters and fixed C-H bond lengths (sp³: 0.96 (CH₃), 0.97 (CH₂); sp²: 0.93 (CH)). Visualization of the crystal structures was performed with Olex2 (1.5-alpha).^[6]

Compound 1: Compound **1** crystallizes from sublimation as colorless plate-shaped crystals with the monoclinic space group $P2_1/c$. The asymmetric unit contains one molecule of **1**.

Compound 2: Compound **2** crystallizes from concentrated *n*-hexane solutions at -25 °C as dark red block-shaped crystals with the monoclinic space group Cc . The asymmetric unit contains one molecule of **2**.

Compound 3: Compound **3** crystallizes from concentrated *n*-hexane solutions at -25 °C as dark violet block-shaped crystals with the triclinic space group $P\bar{1}$. The asymmetric unit contains one molecule of **3**.

Compound 4: Compound **4** crystallizes from concentrated *n*-hexane solutions at -25 °C as black needle-shaped crystals with the monoclinic space group $P2_1/n$. The asymmetric unit contains one molecule of **4**.

Compound 5: Compound **5** crystallizes from concentrated CH₂Cl₂ solutions at -25 °C as black plate-shaped crystals with the monoclinic space group $P2_1/n$. The asymmetric unit contains one molecule of **5**.

Compound 6: Compound **6** crystallizes from concentrated toluene solutions at -25 °C as black plate-shaped crystals with the triclinic space group $P\bar{1}$. The asymmetric unit contains one molecule of **6**.

Compound 7: Compound **7** crystallizes from concentrated *n*-hexane solutions at 8 °C as black block-shaped crystals with the monoclinic space group $P2_1/n$. The asymmetric unit contains one molecule of **7**. Disorder of two of the CO ligands was treated with appropriate restraints.

Compound 8: Compound **8** crystallizes from concentrated *n*-hexane solutions at -25 °C as black needle-shaped crystals with the orthorhombic space group $P2_12_12_1$. The asymmetric unit contains one molecule of **8**. However, poor crystal quality did only allow for collection of an incomplete data set, proving the structure of **8**, but not allowing structural analysis in detail.

Compound 9: Compound **9** crystallizes from concentrated *n*-hexane/toluene mixtures at room temperature as black needle-shaped crystals with the monoclinic space group $P2_1/c$. The asymmetric unit contains half of a molecule of **9**.

Compound 10: Compound **10** crystallizes from concentrated toluene solutions at -25 °C as black block-shaped crystals with the monoclinic space group $C2/c$. The asymmetric unit contains half of a molecule of **10** as well as one toluene molecule.

Compound 11: Compound **11** crystallizes from concentrated toluene solutions at -25 °C as black block-shaped crystals with the monoclinic space group $P2_1/n$. The asymmetric unit contains one molecule of **11**. Notably, another polymorph of **11** has already been described in the literature.^[9]

Compound 12: Compound **12** crystallizes from concentrated *n*-hexane solutions at -25 °C as black rod-shaped crystals with the monoclinic space group $P2_1/n$. The asymmetric unit contains one molecule of **12**. Notably, another polymorph of **12** has already been described in the literature.^[10]

CCDC-2343202 (**1**), CCDC-2343203 (**2**), CCDC-2343204 (**3**), CCDC-2343205 (**4**), CCDC-2343206 (**5**), CCDC-2343207 (**6**), CCDC-2343208 (**7**), CCDC-2343817 (**8**), CCDC-2343209 (**9**), CCDC-2343210 (**10**), CCDC-2343211 (**11**) and CCDC-2343212 (**12**) contain the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper. These data can be obtained free of charge at www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/conts/retrieving.html (or from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre, 12 Union Road, Cambridge CB2 1EZ, UK; Fax: + 44-1223-336-033; email: deposit@ccdc.cam.ac.uk).

Table S2. Crystallographic data for compounds **1-4**.

Compound	1	2	3	4
CCDC-number	2343202	2343203	2343204	2343205
Formula	C ₅ H ₃ O ₅ AsW	C ₁₄ Co ₃ CrO ₁₄ P	AsC ₁₄ Co ₃ O ₁₄ W	C ₁₃ Co ₃ FeO ₁₃ P
$D_{calc.}/g \cdot cm^{-3}$	2.938	2.066	2.578	2.099
μ/mm^{-1}	16.307	23.837	30.063	26.413
Formula Weight	401.84	651.90	827.70	627.74
Colour	colourless	dark red	black	black
Shape	block-shaped	block-shaped	block-shaped	needle-shaped
Size/mm ³	0.24×0.11×0.05	0.38×0.24×0.01	0.27×0.20×0.13	0.10×0.05×0.02
T/K	123.00(14)	123(1)	123.00(14)	123(1)
Crystal System	monoclinic	monoclinic	triclinic	monoclinic
Space Group	$P2_1/c$	Cc	$P\bar{1}$	$P2_1/n$
$a/\text{\AA}$	10.8246(9)	15.2345(6)	8.7183(4)	8.7530(8)
$b/\text{\AA}$	6.7417(4)	8.8120(2)	9.0608(4)	15.645(2)
$c/\text{\AA}$	12.5789(8)	17.3130(8)	14.8480(6)	14.5092(18)
$\alpha/^\circ$	90	90	73.230(4)	90
$\beta/^\circ$	98.184(7)	115.611(4)	83.682(3)	90.447(9)

$\gamma/^\circ$	90	90	71.781(4)	90
$V/\text{\AA}^3$	908.61(11)	2095.85(15)	1066.47(8)	1986.9(4)
Z	4	4	2	4
Z'	1	1	1	1
Wavelength/ \AA	0.71073	1.54178	1.54178	1.54178
Radiation type	MoK α	CuK α	CuK α	CuK α
$\theta_{\min}/^\circ$	3.437	5.668	3.109	4.155
$\theta_{\max}/^\circ$	29.349	76.435	66.554	72.995
Measured Refl.	3854	7526	13064	7542
Independent Refl.	2109	3528	3737	3758
Reflections with $I > 2(I)$	1521	3460	3647	2631
R_{int}	0.0611	0.0405	0.0449	0.0518
Parameters	110	299	298	280
Restraints	9	8	0	0
Largest Peak	2.337	1.159	3.112	0.773
Deepest Hole	-3.081	-0.853	-2.293	-0.666
GooF	1.057	1.085	1.072	1.017
wR_2 (all data)	0.1336	0.1565	0.0963	0.1324
wR_2	0.1157	0.1558	0.0951	0.1179
R_1 (all data)	0.0837	0.0574	0.0364	0.0779
R_1	0.0563	<i>Cc</i>	0.0356	0.0483
Flack Parameter	/	0.114(10)	/	/

Table S3. Crystallographic data for compounds **5-8**.

Compound	5	6	7	8
CCDC-number	2343206	2343207	2343208	2343817
Formula	C ₂₀ Co ₈ O ₂₀ P	C ₂₀ Co ₇ O ₂₀ P	C ₂₄ Co ₉ O ₂₄ P ₃	C ₂₁ Co ₉ O ₂₁ P ₃
$D_{\text{calc.}}/\text{g} \cdot \text{cm}^{-3}$	2.413	2.158	2.216	2.314
μ/mm^{-1}	35.960	3.801	3.953	34.790
Formula Weight	1062.61	1003.68	1295.52	1211.49
Colour	black	black	black	black
Shape	plate-shaped	plate-shaped	block-shaped	needle-shaped
Size/ mm^3	0.15×0.07×0.02	0.19×0.10×0.04	0.37×0.09×0.05	0.13×0.04×0.02
T/K	123(1)	123.1(6)	123.00(14)	123(1)
Crystal System	monoclinic	triclinic	monoclinic	orthorhombic
Space Group	$P2_1/n$	$P\bar{1}$	$P2_1/n$	$P2_12_12_1$
$a/\text{\AA}$	9.8425(3)	8.6584(4)	9.4707(3)	9.8379(8)
$b/\text{\AA}$	17.5260(6)	11.0824(4)	18.8780(6)	12.6588(6)
$c/\text{\AA}$	16.9685(5)	17.4356(5)	21.9690(6)	27.9292(18)
$\alpha/^\circ$	90	91.480(3)	90	90
$\beta/^\circ$	92.151(3)	96.904(3)	98.605(2)	90
$\gamma/^\circ$	90	111.126(4)	90	90
$V/\text{\AA}^3$	2925.00(16)	1544.96(11)	3883.6(2)	3478.2(4)
Z	4	2	4	4
Z'	1	1	1	1
Wavelength/ \AA	1.54178	0.71073	0.71073	1.54178
Radiation type	CuK α	MoK α	MoK α	CuK α
$\theta_{\min}/^\circ$	3.627	2.963	2.862	4.715

$\theta_{max}/^\circ$	73.100	29.489	29.507	66.482
Measured Refl.	9758	40289	39370	5650
Independent Refl.	5602	7792	9514	3964
Reflections with $I > 2(I)$	4396	6325	8458	3451
R_{int}	0.0629	0.0486	0.0337	0.0459
Parameters	442	433	577	487
Restraints	0	0	54	24
Largest Peak	0.989	1.193	0.838	1.213
Deepest Hole	-1.056	-0.649	-0.632	-1.432
GooF	1.036	1.044	1.270	1.013
wR_2 (all data)	0.1740	0.0953	0.0965	0.1663
wR_2	0.1585	0.0886	0.0940	0.1574
R_1 (all data)	0.0808	0.0571	0.0515	0.0688
R_1	0.0641	0.0407	0.0439	0.0609
Flack Parameter	/	/	/	-0.026(11)

Table S4. Crystallographic data for compounds **9-12**.

Compound	9	10	11	12
CCDC-number	2343209	2343210	2343211	2343212
Formula	C ₂₆ Co ₁₀ O ₂₆ P ₄	C ₄₄ H ₁₆ Co ₁₆ O ₃₀ P ₆	As ₃ C ₂₄ Co ₉ O ₂₄	AsC ₂₀ Co ₇ O ₂₀
$D_{calc.}/\text{g} \cdot \text{cm}^{-3}$	2.267	2.177	2.436	2.271
μ/mm^{-1}	4.061	4.147	6.351	4.853
Formula Weight	1441.44	2153.27	1427.37	1047.63
Colour	black	black	black	black
Shape	needle-shaped	cube-shaped	block-shaped	plate-shaped
Size/mm ³	0.22×0.14×0.01	0.11×0.10×0.06	0.86×0.52×0.45	0.50×0.16×0.05
T/K	123.00(14)	122.9(5)	123.1(3)	122.95(10)
Crystal System	monoclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic
Space Group	$P2_1/c$	$C2/c$	$P2_1/n$	$P2_1/n$
$a/\text{\AA}$	11.9865(5)	27.660(3)	11.2417(4)	8.7211(3)
$b/\text{\AA}$	10.2655(7)	12.8188(10)	21.1186(6)	31.9682(11)
$c/\text{\AA}$	17.7539(12)	21.965(3)	16.6478(5)	11.2058(4)
$\alpha/^\circ$	90	90	90	90
$\beta/^\circ$	104.824(5)	122.486(16)	99.977(3)	101.294(4)
$\gamma/^\circ$	90	90	90	90
$V/\text{\AA}^3$	2111.9(2)	6569.6(15)	3892.6(2)	3063.65(19)
Z	2	4	4	4
Z'	1	0.5	1	1
Wavelength/ \AA	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073
Radiation type	MoK α	MoK α	MoK α	MoK α
$\theta_{min}/^\circ$	3.083	3.064	3.430	3.489
$\theta_{max}/^\circ$	29.432	29.271	29.555	29.567
Measured Refl.	17258	19008	34708	12863

Independent Refl.	5151	7615	9816	6965
Reflections with $I > 2(I)$	4194	5971	7529	6084
R_{int}	0.0406	0.0355	0.0795	0.0296
Parameters	298	423	541	433
Restraints	0	0	0	0
Largest Peak	0.550	1.820	1.277	1.331
Deepest Hole	-0.475	-0.500	-1.163	-0.683
GooF	1.045	1.017	1.015	1.069
wR_2 (all data)	0.0681	0.0912	0.0976	0.0797
wR_2	0.0618	0.0844	0.0948	0.0757
R_1 (all data)	0.0468	0.0571	0.0557	0.0393
R_1	0.0321	0.0385	0.0418	0.0320
Flack Parameter	/	/	/	/

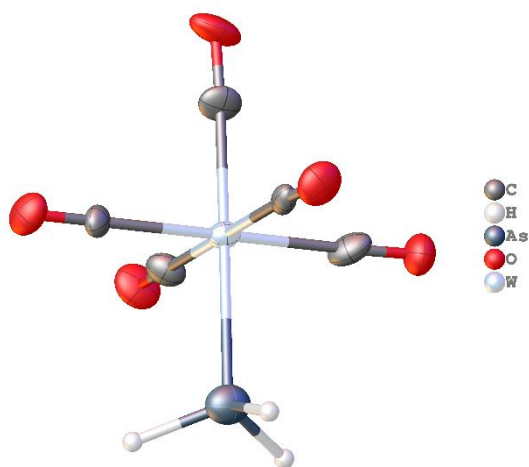


Fig. S13. View of the asymmetric unit of **1**.

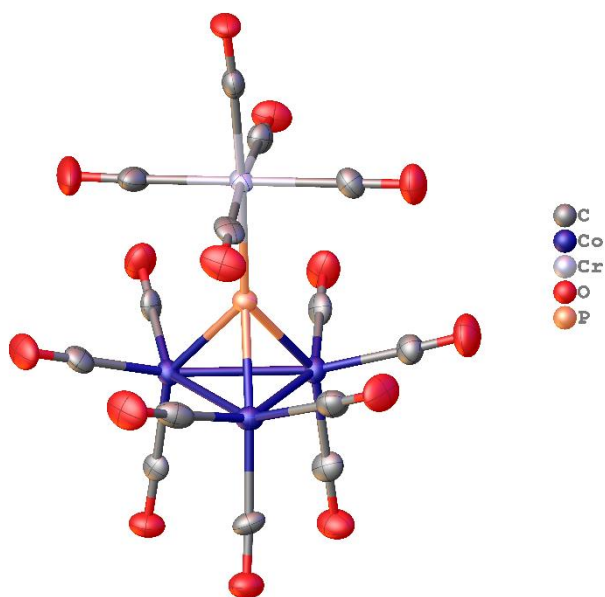


Fig. S14. View of the asymmetric unit of **2**.

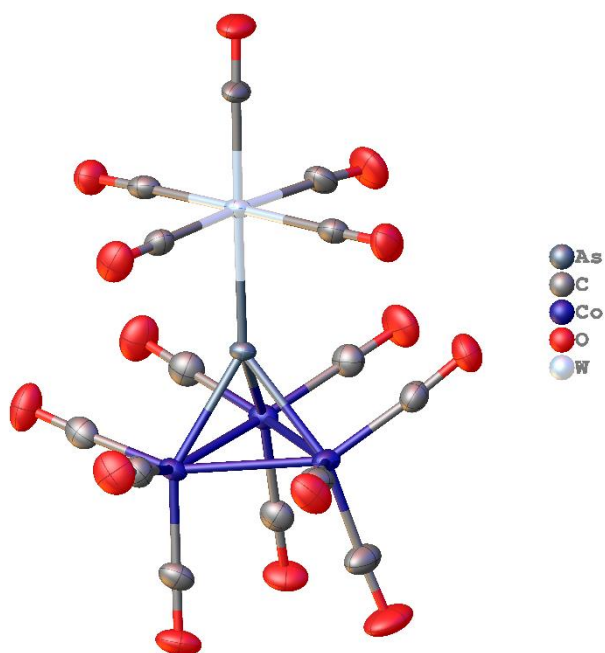


Fig. S15. View of the asymmetric unit of **3**.

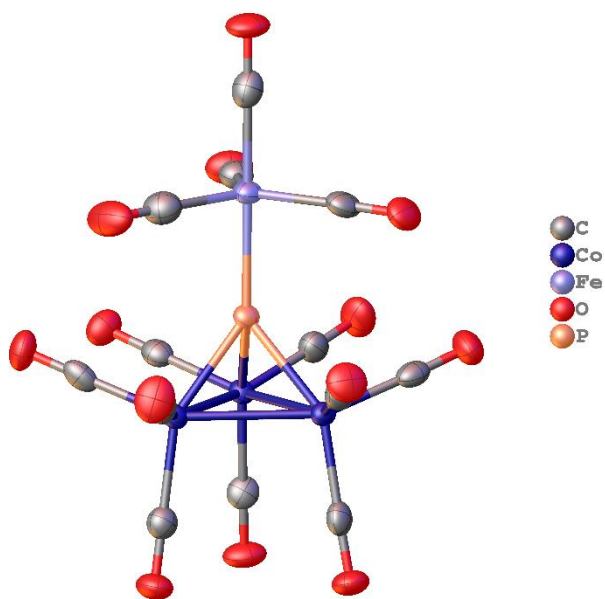


Fig. S16. View of the asymmetric unit of **4**.

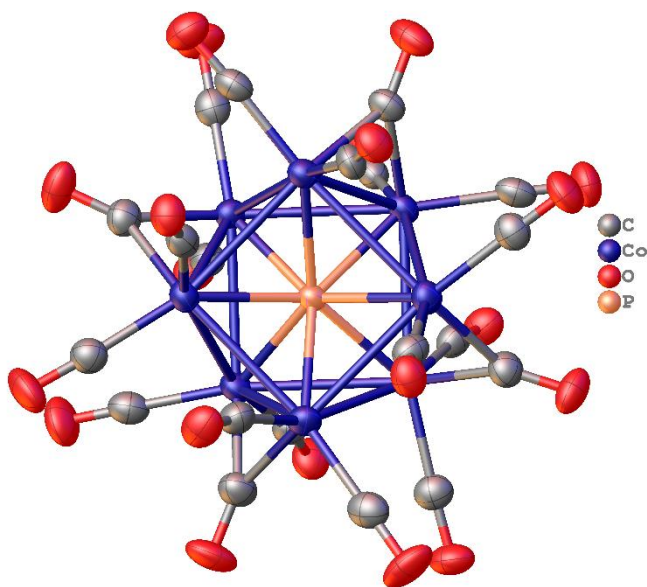


Fig. S17. View of the asymmetric unit of **5**.

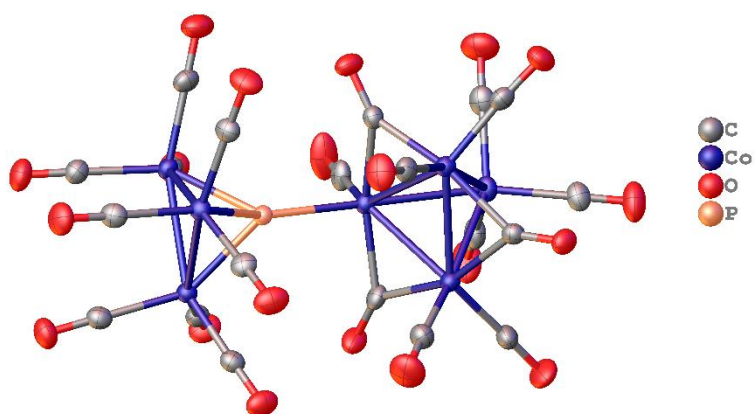


Fig. S18. View of the asymmetric unit of **6**.

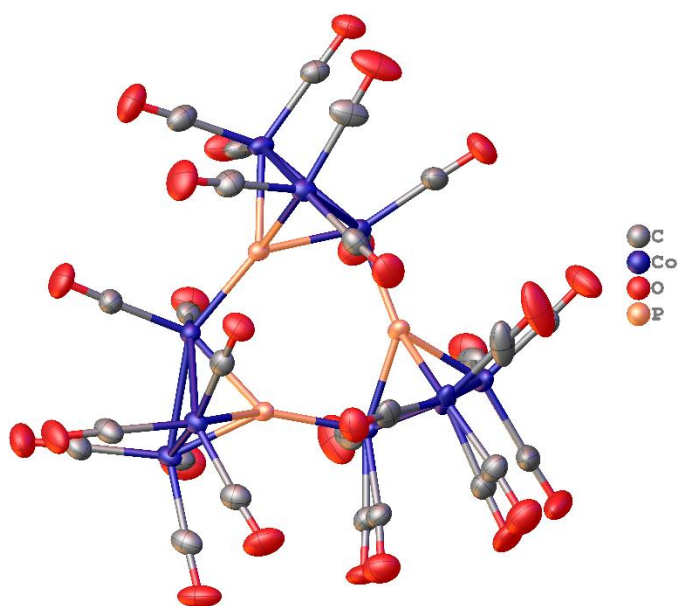


Fig. S19. View of the asymmetric unit of **7**.

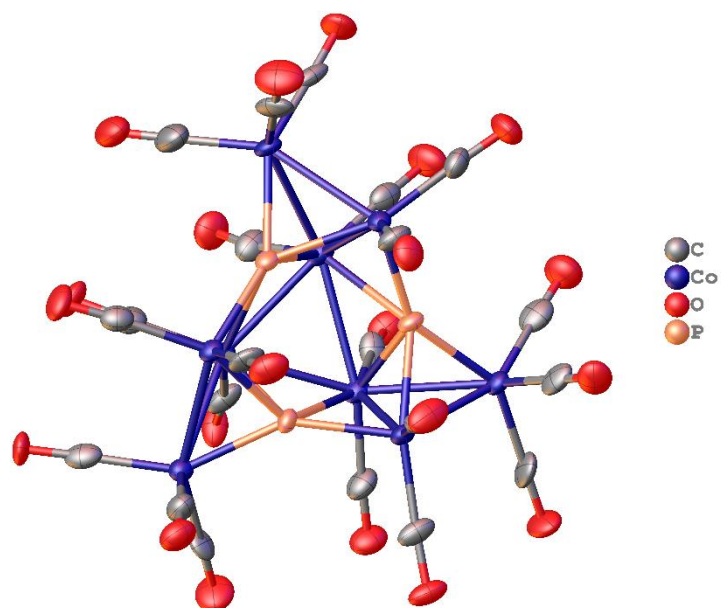


Fig. S20. View of the asymmetric unit of **8**.

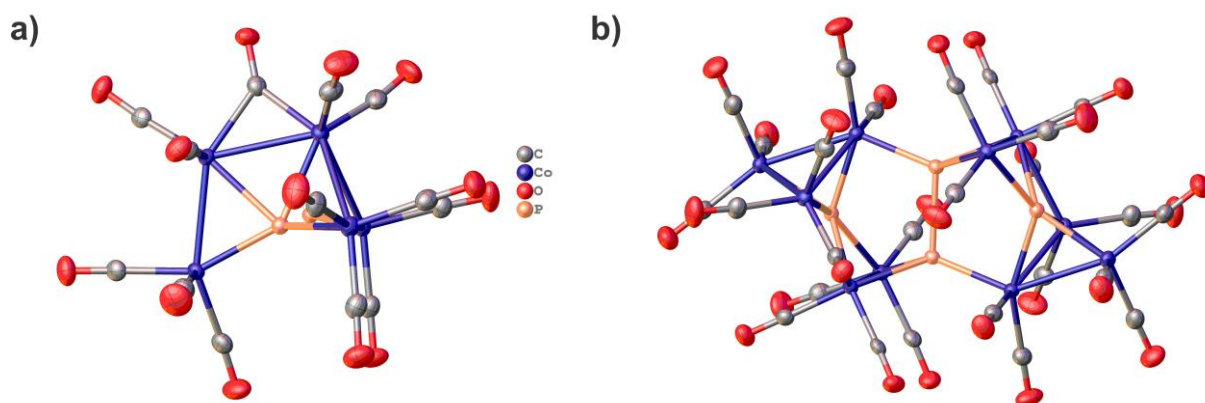


Fig. S21. a) View of the asymmetric unit of **9**; b) Molecular structure of compound **9** in the solid state.

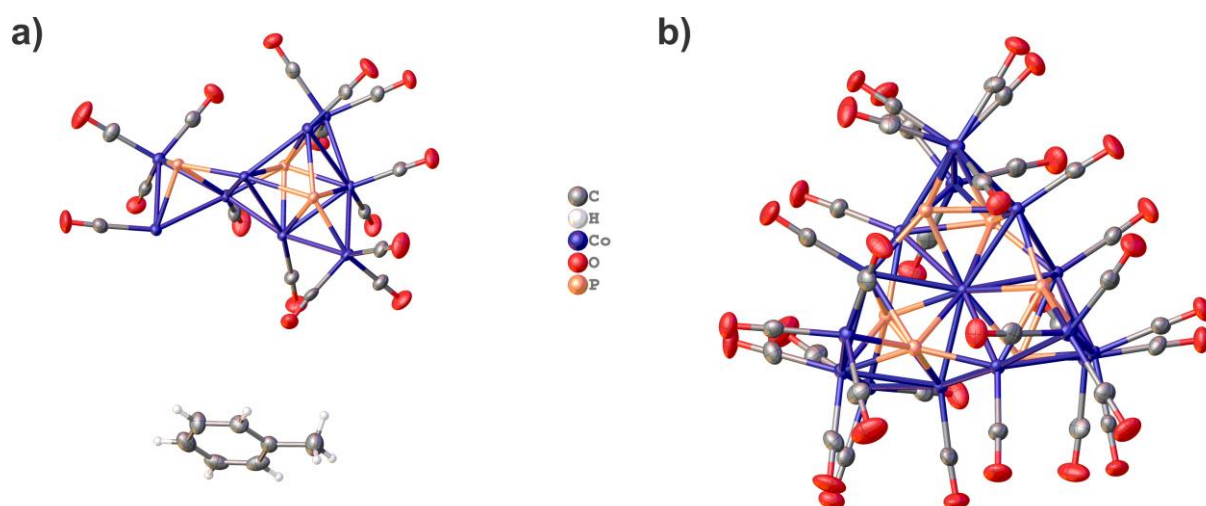


Fig. S22. a) View of the asymmetric unit of **10**; b) Molecular structure of compound **10** in the solid state.

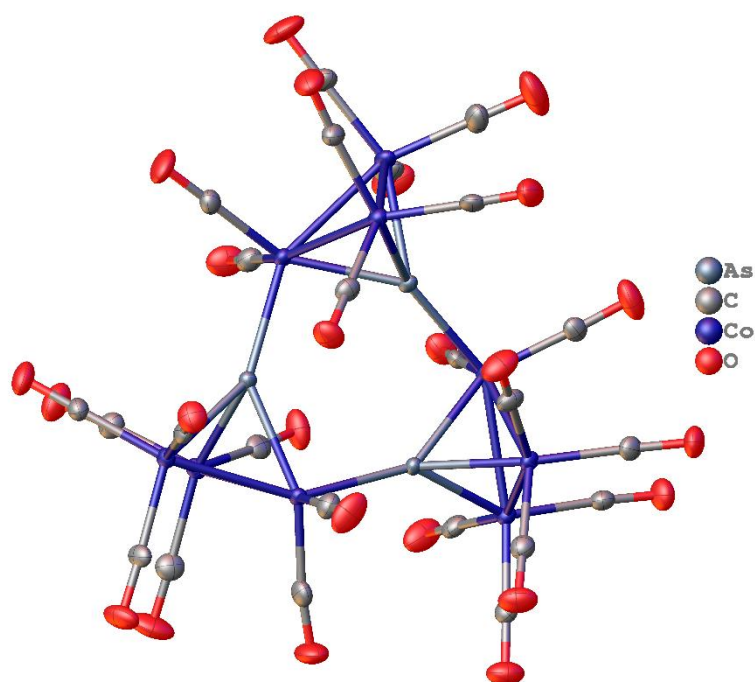


Fig. S23. View of the asymmetric unit of **11**.

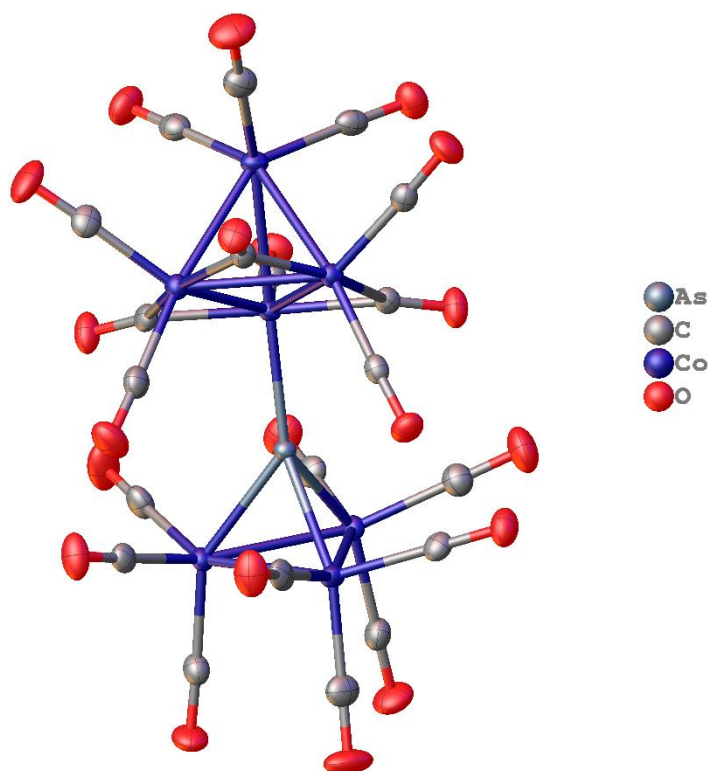


Fig. S24. View of the asymmetric unit of **12**.

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