

Addition of Small Electrophiles to NHC-stabilized Disilicon(0): A Revisit of the Isolobal Concept in Low-Valent Silicon Chemistry

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1. Experimental Section – General Part

All experiments were carried out under strict exclusion of water and oxygen under an atmosphere of argon using Schlenk or glove box techniques. The commercially received argon had a purity of $\geq 99.999\%$ and was further passed through an argon purification system to remove traces of O₂ and H₂O. The glassware was dried in an oven at approximately 110 °C and baked under vacuum prior to use. *n*-Hexane was refluxed over sodium wire in the presence of benzophenone and tetraglyme (0.5 vol%), distilled off under argon, and degassed by freeze-pump-thaw cycles. Fluorobenzene was stirred over CaH₂, trap-to-trap condensed and degassed by freeze-pump-thaw cycles. All solvents were stored in the glove box. The compounds Si₂(Idipp)₂ (**1**),^[S1] [H(Et₂O)₂][B(Ar^F)₄] (Ar^F = C₆H₃-3,5-(CF₃)₂),^[S2] [Li(Et₂O)_{2.5}][B(C₆F₅)₄]^[S3] and Na[B(Ar^F)₄]^[S4] were prepared following the procedures described in the corresponding references. [D(Et₂O)][B(Ar^F)₄] was synthesized following the procedure described in ref. [S2] using DCI (97.5 atom % D) instead of HCl. C, H, N elemental analyses were carried out in triplicate for each sample on an Elementar Vario Micro elemental analyser. The C, H, N values did not differ by more than $\pm 0.3\%$. The mean C, H, N values are given below for each compound. The melting points were determined in triplicate for each sample using a Büchi melting point B-545 apparatus. The samples were sealed in capillary tubes under vacuum and heated once with a gradient of 5 K min⁻¹ for a rough determination and twice with a gradient of 2 K min⁻¹, starting 20 K below the roughly determined melting or decomposition temperature. The decomposition of the compounds was verified by optical inspection or in the case of compounds **1H**[B(Ar^F)₄] and **1Me**[B(Ar^F)₄] by recording the ¹H NMR spectra of the heated samples in THF-*d*₈. The IR spectra of **1H**[B(Ar^F)₄] and **1D**[B(Ar^F)₄] (4000 – 400 cm⁻¹) were recorded on a Bruker Alpha FT-IR spectrometer in the glovebox with a diamond single-reflection Platinum-ATR module at room temperature. The following abbreviations were used for the intensities of the absorption bands: vs = very strong, s = strong, m = medium, w = weak, vw = very weak. The NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance DMX-300 or DPX-300 NMR spectrometer in dry deoxygenated THF-*d*₈ or C₆D₅Cl. THF-*d*₈ was trap-to-trap condensed after stirring over sodium powder and stored over molecular sieves (4 Å). C₆D₅Cl was stirred over CaH₂, and then trap-to-trap condensed and stored over molecular sieves (4 Å). The ¹H and ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectra were calibrated against the residual proton and natural abundance ¹³C resonances of the deuterated solvent relative to tetramethylsilane (THF-*d*₈: $\delta_H = 1.73$ ppm and $\delta_C = 25.3$ ppm; C₆D₅Cl: $\delta_H = 6.96$ ppm and $\delta_C = 126.0$ ppm). The ²⁹Si, ¹⁹F, ¹¹B and ⁷Li NMR spectra were calibrated against external pure SiMe₄, CFCI₃, BF₃·Et₂O and a 1 M aqueous LiCl solution, respectively. The NMR standards were filled in sealed capillaries and measured in vacuum-sealed 5 mm NMR tubes containing THF-*d*₈, C₆D₅Cl and C₆H₅F,

respectively. The following abbreviations were used for the multiplicities and forms of the NMR signals: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, qq = quartet of quartets, sept = septet, m = multiplet, dm = doublet of multiplets, br = broad. The full width at half maximum of broad signals was designated with $\Delta\nu_{\frac{1}{2}}$. The ^1H and ^{13}C NMR signals of all compounds were assigned by a combination of HMQC, HMBC and DEPT experiments. This allowed an unequivocal assignment of all proton and carbon resonances including those of the diastereotopic methyl groups of the isopropyl substituents, which were labelled with the subscript letters A and B, respectively. The label A was used for the methyl group with the lower ^1H chemical shift. ^1H - ^{29}Si HMBC experiments were carried out to assign the chemically different carbene substituents of **1H**[B(Ar^{F})₄] at 213 K and **1Me**[B(Ar^{F})₄] and **1Et**[B(Ar^{F})₄] at 298 K using the correlation between the C^{4,5}-H signals of the carbene substituents and the ^{29}Si NMR signals. The assigned carbene signals were designated with the letters X and Y, respectively. The label X was used to designate the Idipp substituent bonded to the Si atom, which carries the R group (R = H, Me, Et).

2. Syntheses and analytical data of the compounds

2.1 Synthesis of $[\text{Si}_2(\text{H})(\text{Idipp})_2][\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ ($\mathbf{1H}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$)

A solution of $[\text{H}(\text{Et}_2\text{O})_2][\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ (425 mg, 0.42 mmol) in 10 mL of $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{F}$ was added dropwise within 10 minutes to a suspension of **1** (350 mg, 0.42 mmol) in 20 mL of $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{F}$ at ambient temperature. A dark red solution containing a small amount of a colourless precipitate was obtained. The solution was stirred for additional 3 hours and then concentrated under vacuum to ca. 6 mL and filtered. *n*-Hexane (6 mL) was added to the filtrate. Storage of the filtrate at $-30\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 8 days afforded dark red crystals of $\mathbf{1H}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$. The crystals were separated from the supernatant with a cannula ($\varnothing = 1\text{ mm}$) at $-30\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ and dried under vacuum ($5 \cdot 10^{-2}\text{ mbar}$) at $-30\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 30 minutes and for additional 2 h at ambient temperature. Yield: 577 mg (0.34 mmol, 80 %). The obtained crystals were suitable for single crystal X-ray diffraction analysis. A red powder was obtained after fine grinding of the crystals. Compound $\mathbf{1H}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ gradually turns dark brown above $173\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ and melts under decomposition at $221\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$.¹ Elemental analysis calcd (%) for $\text{C}_{86}\text{H}_{85}\text{BF}_{24}\text{N}_4\text{Si}_2$ (1697.57): C 60.84, H 5.05, N 3.30; found: C 60.62, H 5.09, N 3.19 %.

IR (*Figure S1*, solid state, RT, cm^{-1}): 3175 (vw), 3147 (vw), 3076 (vw), 2966 (w), 2932 (w), 2873 (w), 2142 (vw) [$\nu(\text{Si-H})$], 1688 (vw), 1610 (w), 1593 (vw), 1550 (w), 1461 (w), 1409 (vw), 1388 (w), 1353 (s), 1330 (w), 1274 (vs), 1212 (w), 1161 (s), 1118 (vs), 1061 (m), 1043 (m), 947 (w), 933 (w), 900 (w), 885 (m), 838 (m), 800 (m), 773 (w), 754 (m), 744 (m), 713 (m), 681 (m), 667 (m), 637 (vw), 579 (vw), 553 (vw), 536 (vw), 523 (vw), 458 (vw), 447 (w), 435 (vw).²

^1H NMR (*Figure S2*, 300.1 MHz, $\text{THF}-d_8$, 333 K, ppm): $\delta = 1.07$ (d, 24H, $^3J(\text{H},\text{H}) = 6.8\text{ Hz}$, $4 \times \text{C}^{2,6}\text{-CH}(\text{CH}_3)_A(\text{CH}_3)_B$), 1.09 (d, 24H, $^3J(\text{H},\text{H}) = 6.8\text{ Hz}$, $4 \times \text{C}^{2,6}\text{-CH}(\text{CH}_3)_A(\text{CH}_3)_B$), 2.36 (sept, 8H, $^3J(\text{H},\text{H}) = 6.8\text{ Hz}$, $4 \times \text{C}^{2,6}\text{-CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$), 5.57 (s, 1H, $J(\text{Si},\text{H}) = 95.4\text{ Hz}$, $H\text{-Si}$), 7.24 (d, 8H, $^3J(\text{H},\text{H}) = 7.7\text{ Hz}$, $4 \times \text{C}^{3,5}\text{-H}$, C_6H_3), 7.42 (t, 4H, $^3J(\text{H},\text{H}) = 7.7\text{ Hz}$, $4 \times \text{C}^4\text{-H}$, C_6H_3), 7.56 (s, 4H, $4 \times \text{C}^4\text{-H}$, BAr^{F}_4), 7.72 (s, 4H, $2 \times \text{C}^{4,5}\text{-H}$), 7.79 (br m, 8H, $\Delta\nu_{\frac{1}{2}} = 9.8\text{ Hz}$, $4 \times \text{C}^{2,6}\text{-H}$, BAr^{F}_4).

¹ A ^1H NMR spectrum in $\text{THF}-d_8$ of the red residue obtained after cooling of the molten sample to room temperature confirmed the unselective decomposition of **2-H**.

² The intensity of the $\nu(\text{Si-H})$ absorption band of $\mathbf{1H}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ in the solid state is very weak. The $\nu(\text{Si-H})$ absorption band could not be detected in the FT-IR spectrum of a concentrated solution of $\mathbf{1H}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ in $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{F}$ at 298 K.

¹H NMR (300.1 MHz, THF-*d*₈, 298 K, ppm): δ = 1.05 (d, 24H, ³J(H,H) = 6.8 Hz, 4 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B), 1.09 (d, 24H, ³J(H,H) = 6.8 Hz, 4 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B), 2.33 (sept, 8H, ³J(H,H) = 6.8 Hz, 4 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)₂), 5.62 (s, 1H, J(Si,H) = 94.8 Hz, H-Si), 7.25 (d, 8H, ³J(H,H) = 7.7 Hz, 4 × C^{3,5}-H, C₆H₃), 7.43 (t, 4H, ³J(H,H) = 7.7 Hz, 4 × C⁴-H, C₆H₃), 7.59 (s, 4H, 4 × C⁴-H, BAr^F₄), 7.82 (s + br m, 12H, 2 × C^{4,5}-H, Idipp + 4 × C^{2,6}-H, BAr^F₄).

¹H NMR (*Figure S3*, 300.1 MHz, THF-*d*₈, 213 K, ppm): δ = 0.97 (br d, 12H, ³J(H,H) = 6.1 Hz, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_X), 1.05 – 1.10 (overlapping doublets, 36H, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_X + 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_Y + 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_Y), 2.22 (br sept, 4H, ³J(H,H) = 6.1 Hz, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)₂, (Idipp)_X), 2.33 (br sept, 4H, ³J(H,H) = 6.1 Hz, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)₂, (Idipp)_Y), 5.85 (s, 1H, ¹J(Si,H) = 204.2 Hz, H-Si),³ 7.28 (d, 4H, ³J(H,H) = 7.7 Hz, 2 × C^{3,5}-H, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_Y), 7.33 (d, 4H, ³J(H,H) = 7.7 Hz, 2 × C^{3,5}-H, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_X), 7.44 (t, 2H, ³J(H,H) = 7.7 Hz, 2 × C⁴-H, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_Y), 7.49 (t, 2H, ³J(H,H) = 7.7 Hz, 2 × C⁴-H, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_X), 7.73 (s, 4H, 4 × C⁴-H, BAr^F₄), 7.90 (br s, 8H, $\Delta\nu_{1/2}$ = 9.4 Hz, 4 × C^{2,6}-H, BAr^F₄), 8.03 (s, 2H, C^{4,5}-H, (Idipp)_Y), 8.08 (s, 2H, C^{4,5}-H, (Idipp)_X).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (*Figures S4 and S5*, 75.47 MHz, THF-*d*₈, 333 K, ppm): δ = 23.5 (s, 8C, 4 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B), 25.2 (s, 8C, 4 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B),⁴ 29.8 (s, 8C, 4 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)₂), 118.1 (sept, 4C, ³J(F,C) = 3.8 Hz, 4 × C⁴-H, BAr^F₄), 125.6 (q, 8C, ¹J(F,C) = 272.4 Hz, 4 × C^{3,5}-CF₃, BAr^F₄), 125.7 (s, 8C, 4 × C^{3,5}-H, C₆H₃), 127.3 (s, 4C, 2 × C^{4,5}-H), 130.1 (qq, 8C, ²J(F,C) = 31.3 Hz, ³J(C,¹¹B) = 2.9 Hz, 4 × C^{3,5}-CF₃, BAr^F₄), 132.0 (s, 4C, 4 × C⁴-H, C₆H₃), 134.3 (s, 4C, 4 × C¹, C₆H₃), 135.7 (br s, 8C, $\Delta\nu_{1/2}$ = 9.9 Hz, 4 × C^{2,6}-H, BAr^F₄), 146.2 (s, 8C, 4 × C^{2,6}, C₆H₃), 162.9 (q, 4C, ¹J(C,¹¹B) = 49.9 Hz, ¹J(C,¹⁰B) = 16.6 Hz, 4 × C¹, BAr^F₄), 169.7 (br, $\Delta\nu_{1/2}$ = 135.8 Hz, 2C, 2 × C²-Si).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (75.47 MHz, THF-*d*₈, 298 K, ppm): δ = 23.5 (s, 8C, 4 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B), 25.3 (s, 8C, 4 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B),⁵ 29.8 (s, 8C, 4 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)₂), 118.2 (br sept, 4C, $\Delta\nu_{1/2}$ = 10.6 Hz, ³J(F,C) = 3.8 Hz, 4 × C⁴-H, BAr^F₄), 125.5 (q, 8C, ¹J(F,C) = 270.7 Hz, 4 × C^{3,5}-CF₃, BAr^F₄), 125.7 (s, 8C, 4 × C^{3,5}-H, C₆H₃), 127.3 (s, 4C, 2 × C^{4,5}-H), 130.1 (qq, 8C, ²J(F,C) = 31.7 Hz, ³J(C,¹¹B) = 2.9 Hz, 4 × C^{3,5}-CF₃, BAr^F₄), 131.9 (s, 4C, 4 × C⁴-H, C₆H₃), 134.2 (s,

³ The ²J(Si,H) satellite signals could not be resolved in the ¹H NMR spectrum at 213 K.

⁴ The signal at δ = 25.2 ppm overlaps with that of the deuterated solvent but was easily detected in the ¹³C{¹H} DEPT135 experiment.

⁵ The signal at δ = 25.3 ppm overlaps with that of the deuterated solvent but was easily detected in the ¹³C{¹H} DEPT135 experiment.

4C, 4 × C¹, C₆H₃), 135.6 (br s, 8C, $\Delta\nu_{\text{H}} = 10.2$ Hz, 4 × C^{2,6}-H, BAr^F₄), 146.1 (s, 8C, 4 × C^{2,6}, C₆H₃), 162.9 (q, 4C, ¹J(C,¹¹B) = 49.7 Hz, ¹J(C,¹⁰B) = 16.6 Hz, 4 × C¹, BAr^F₄).⁶

¹³C{¹H} NMR (*Figures S6 and S7*, 75.47 MHz, THF-*d*₈, 213 K, ppm): $\delta = 22.5$ (s, 4C, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_Y), 23.9 (s, 4C, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_X), 25.1 (s, 4C, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_X), 25.9 (s, 4C, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_Y),⁷ 29.7 (s, 4C, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)₂, (Idipp)_X), 29.9 (s, 4C, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)₂, (Idipp)_Y), 118.4 (br m, 4C, $\Delta\nu_{\text{H}} = 14.5$ Hz, 4 × C⁴-H, BAr^F₄), 125.3 (s, 4C, 2 × C^{3,5}-H, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_Y), 125.4 (q, 8C, ¹J(F,C) = 272.2 Hz, 4 × C^{3,5}-CF₃, BAr^F₄), 126.1 (s, 4C, 2 × C^{3,5}-H, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_X), 127.4 (s, 4C, C^{4,5}-H, (Idipp)_X + C^{4,5}-H, (Idipp)_Y), 130.0 (qq, 8C, ²J(F,C) = 31.7 Hz, ³J(C,¹¹B) = 2.8 Hz, 4 × C^{3,5}-CF₃, BAr^F₄), 131.5 (s, 2C, 2 × C⁴-H, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_Y), 132.1 (s, 2C, 2 × C⁴-H, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_X), 133.4 (s, 2C, 2 × C¹, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_X), 134.4 (s, 2C, 2 × C¹, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_Y) 135.4 (br s, 8C, $\Delta\nu_{\text{H}} = 10.6$ Hz, 4 × C^{2,6}-H, BAr^F₄), 145.7 (s, 4C, 2 × C^{2,6}, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_Y), 145.8 (s, 4C, 2 × C^{2,6}, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_X), 161.8 (s, 1C, C²-SiH-Si, (Idipp)_X), 163.0 (q, 4C, ¹J(C,¹¹B) = 49.3 Hz, ¹J(C,¹⁰B) = 16.5 Hz, 4 × C¹, BAr^F₄) 174.5 (s, 1C, C²-Si-SiH, (Idipp)_Y).

²⁹Si NMR (*Figure S8*, 59.63 MHz, THF-*d*₈, 213 K, ppm): $\delta = 69.4$ (d, 1Si, ¹J(Si,H) = 204.2 Hz, H-Si-Si), 125.4 (d, 1Si, ²J(Si,H) = 14.8 Hz, H-Si-Si).⁸

¹⁹F{¹H} NMR (282.4 MHz, THF-*d*₈, 298 K, ppm): $\delta = -63.3$ (s, 24F, 4 × C^{3,5}-CF₃, BAr^F₄).

¹¹B{¹H} NMR (96.29 MHz, THF-*d*₈, 298 K, ppm): $\delta = -6.5$ (s, 1B, BAr^F₄).

⁶ The Si-bonded C² signals of the Idipp substituents were not observed in the ¹³C{¹H} NMR spectrum at 298 K.

⁷ The signal at $\delta = 25.9$ ppm overlaps with that of the deuterated solvent but was easily detected in the ¹³C{¹H} DEPT135 experiment.

⁸ No ²⁹Si NMR signals of **1H[B(Ar^F)₄]** could be detected at 298 and 333 K due to the dynamic process.

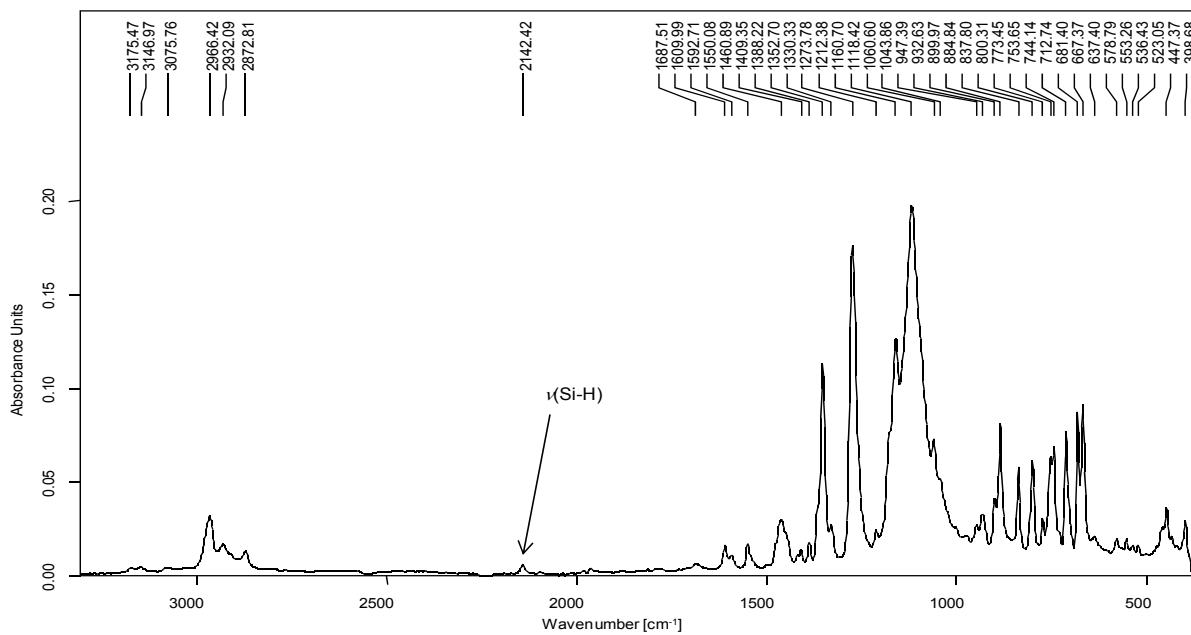


Figure S1. FT-IR spectrum of a solid state sample of $\mathbf{1H[B(Ar^F)_4]}$ at ambient temperature.

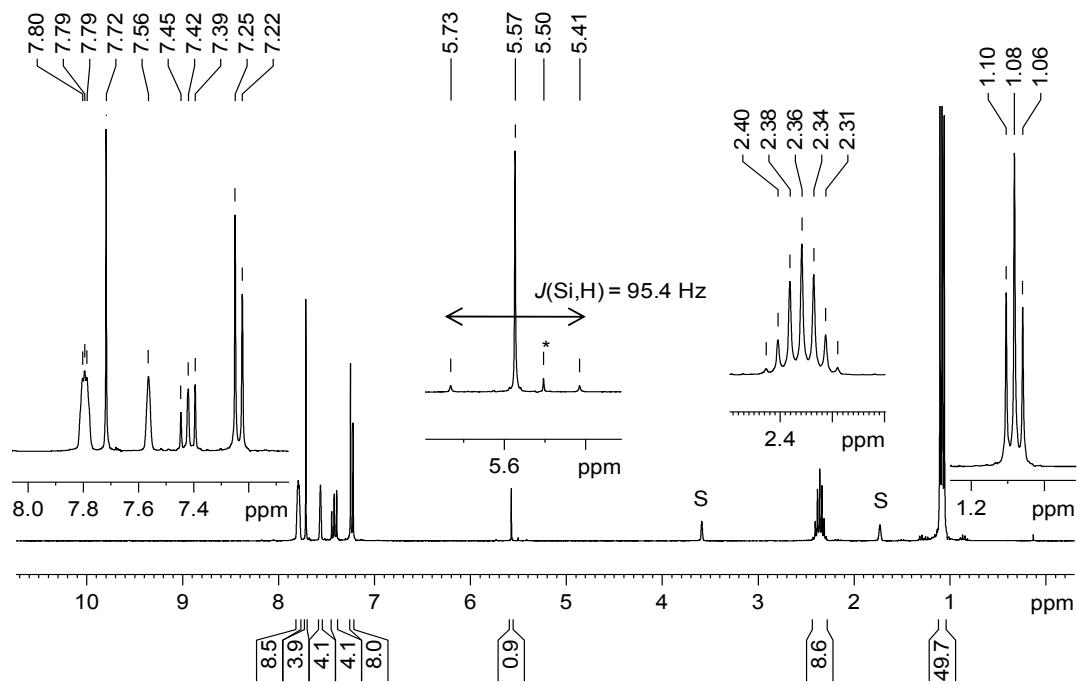


Figure S2. ^1H NMR (300.1 MHz) spectrum of $\mathbf{1H[B(Ar^F)_4]}$ in $\text{THF}-d_8$ at 333 K; the signals of the deuterated solvent are marked with the character S. Enlarged excerpts are shown in the insets.

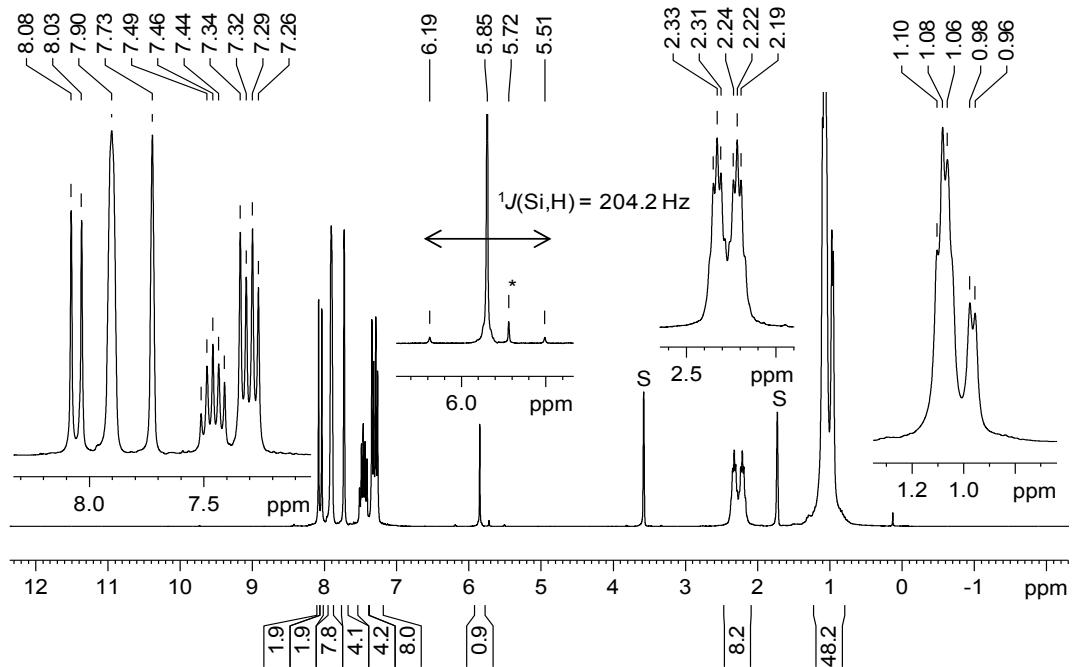


Figure S3. ^1H NMR (300.1 MHz) spectrum of $\mathbf{1}\text{H}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})^4]$ in $\text{THF}-d_8$ at 213 K; the signals of the deuterated solvent are marked with the character S. Enlarged excerpts are shown in the insets; the signal marked with an asterisk (*) originates from a tiny impurity.

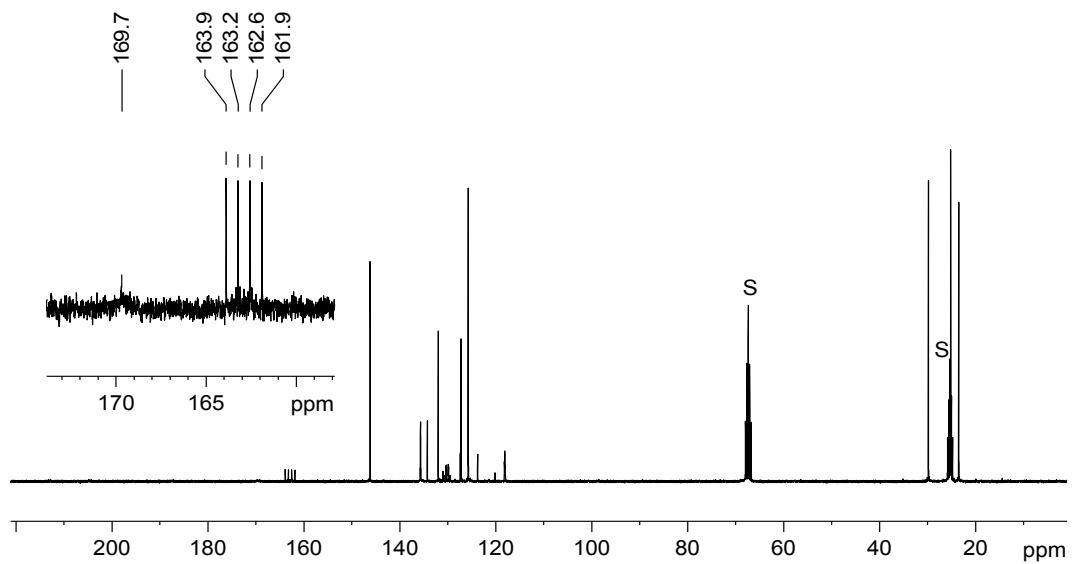


Figure S4. $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75.47 MHz) spectrum of $\mathbf{1}\text{H}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})^4]$ in $\text{THF}-d_8$ at 333 K; the signals of the deuterated solvent are marked with the character S. An enlarged excerpt is shown in the inset.

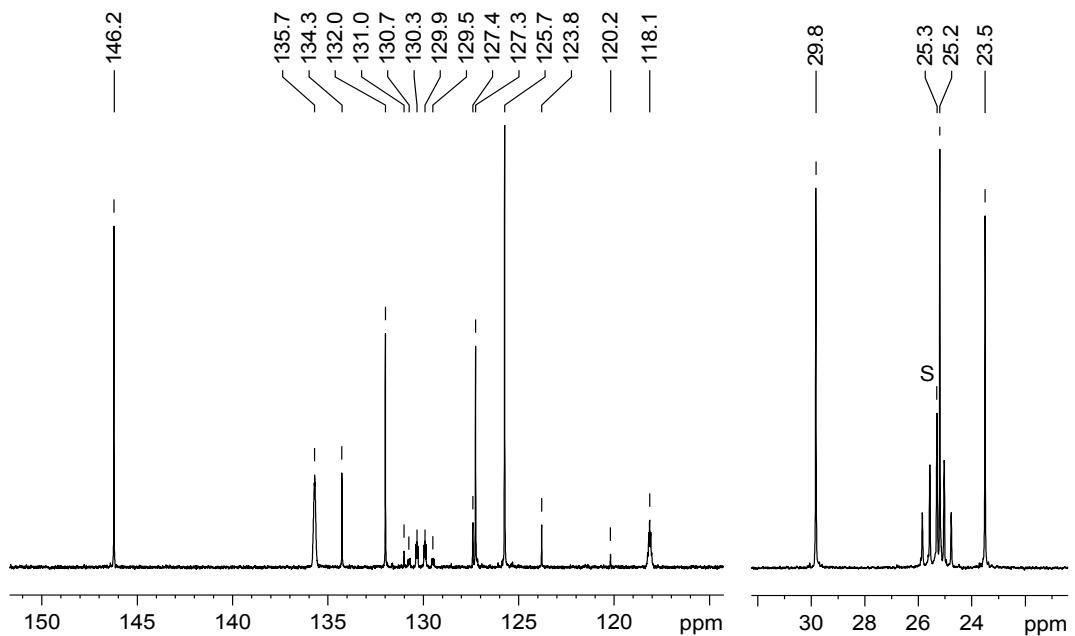


Figure S5. Excerpts of the $^{13}\text{C}\{\text{H}\}$ NMR (75.47 MHz) spectrum of $\mathbf{1}\text{H}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ in $\text{THF}-d_8$ at 333 K depicted in Figure S4; the signal of the deuterated solvent is marked with the character S.

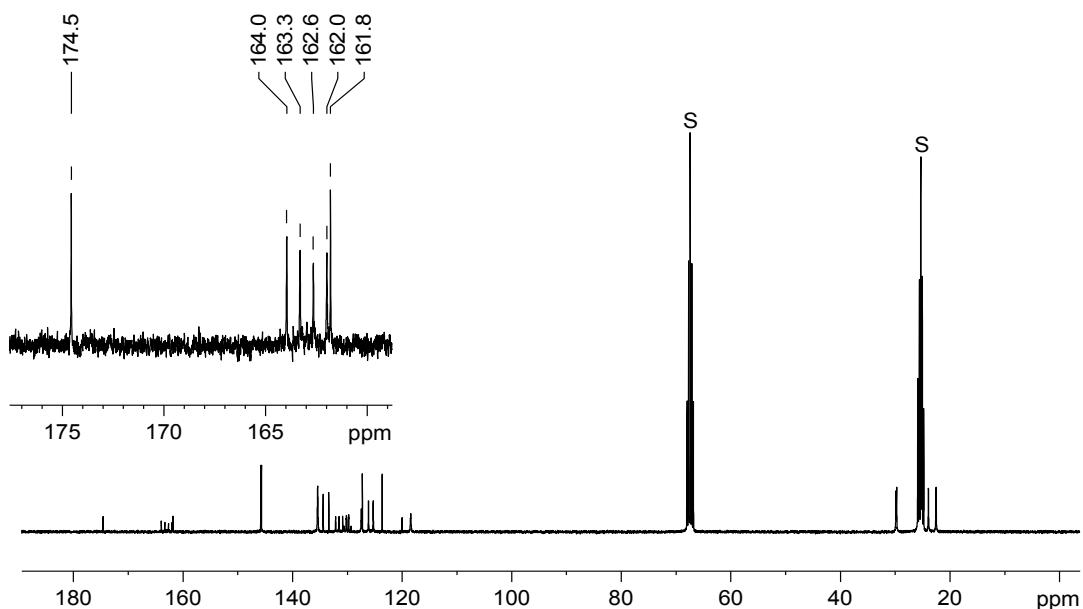


Figure S6. $^{13}\text{C}\{\text{H}\}$ NMR (75.47 MHz) spectrum of $\mathbf{1}\text{H}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ in $\text{THF}-d_8$ at 213 K; the signals of the deuterated solvent are marked with the character S. An enlarged excerpt is shown in the inset.

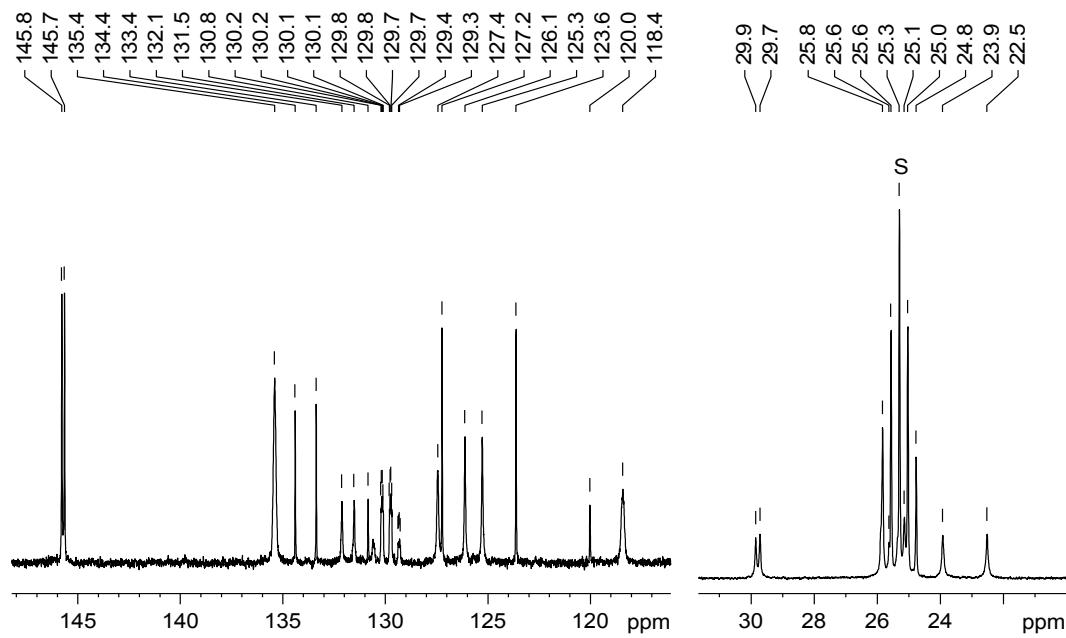


Figure S7. Excerpts of the $^{13}\text{C}\{\text{H}\}$ NMR (75.47 MHz) spectrum of $\mathbf{1}\text{H}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ in $\text{THF}-d_8$ at 213 K depicted in Figure S6; the signal of the deuterated solvent is marked with the character S.

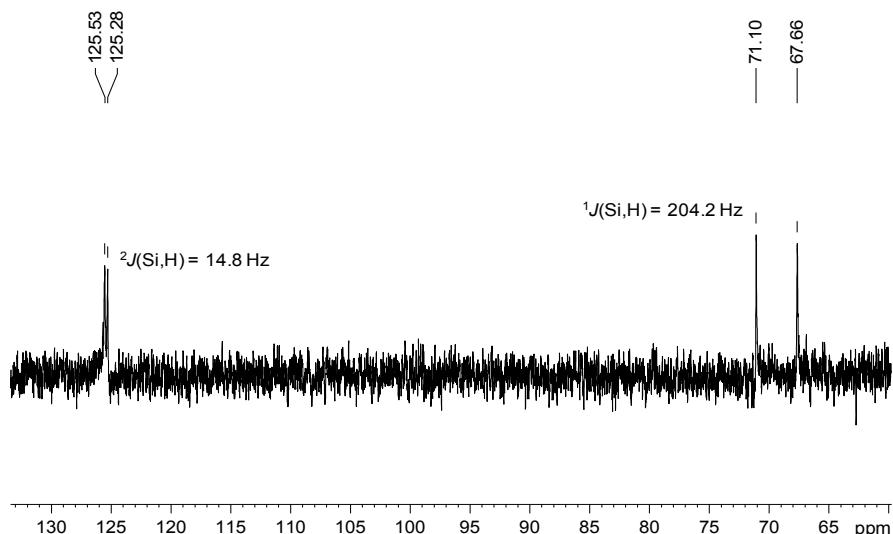


Figure S8. ^{29}Si NMR (59.63 MHz) spectrum of $\mathbf{1}\text{H}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ in $\text{THF}-d_8$ at 213 K.

2.2 Synthesis of $[\text{Si}_2(\text{D})(\text{Idipp})_2][\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ ($\mathbf{1D}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$)

The compound $\mathbf{1D}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ was synthesized in 70 % yield from **1** and $[\text{D}(\text{Et}_2\text{O})_2][\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ following the procedure described for $\mathbf{1H}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ (chapter 2.1). The purity of $\mathbf{1D}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ was confirmed by IR and ^1H NMR spectroscopy (Figures S9 – S11).

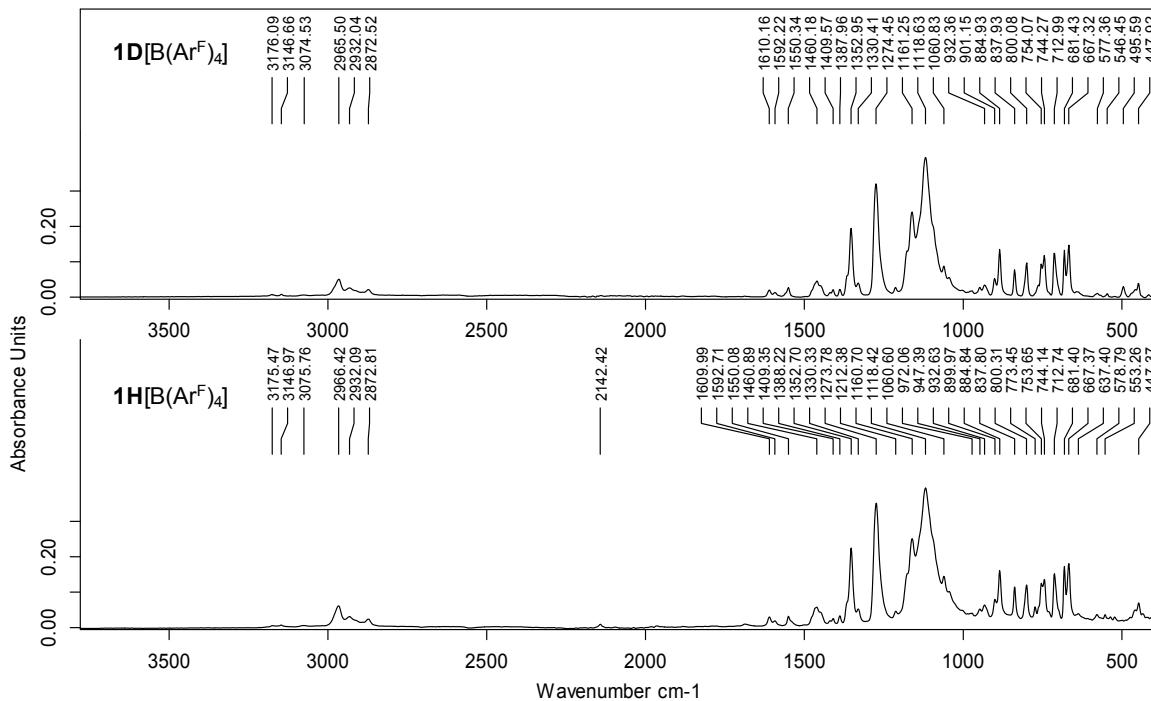


Figure S9. FT-IR spectra of solid state samples of $\mathbf{1D}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ (top) and $\mathbf{1H}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ (bottom) at ambient temperature.

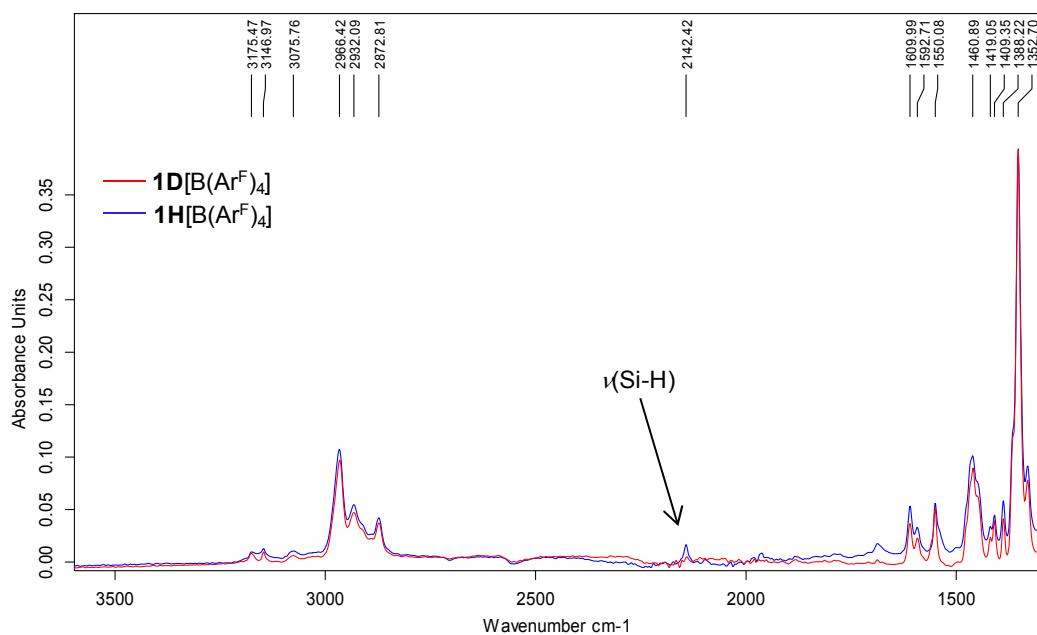


Figure S10. Excerpts of the FT-IR spectra ($1300 – 3600 \text{ cm}^{-1}$) of solid state samples of $\mathbf{1D}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ (red curve) and $\mathbf{1H}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ (blue curve) shown in Figure S9 at ambient temperature. The position of the $\nu(\text{Si}-\text{H})$ absorption band (blue curve) is pointed out with an arrow. This band is absent in the IR spectrum of $\mathbf{1D}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ (red curve).

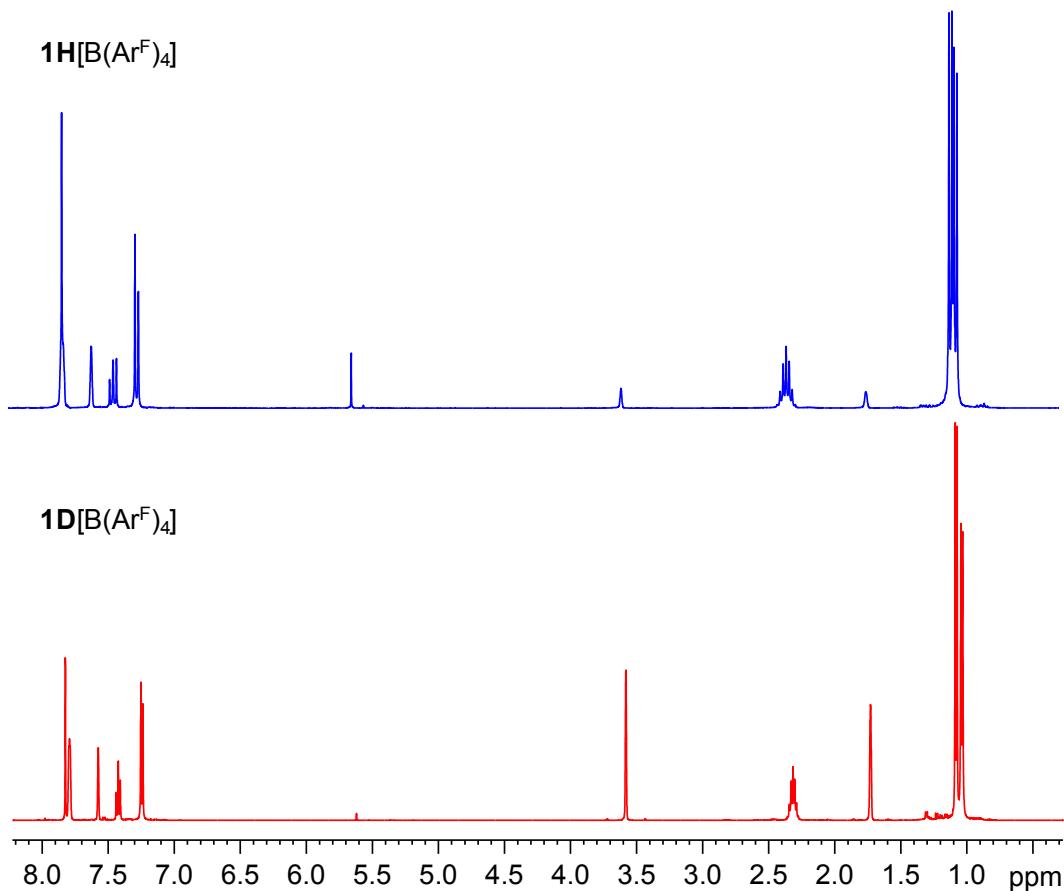


Figure S11. ^1H NMR spectra of $\mathbf{1D}[\text{B}(\text{ArF})_4]$ (500.2 MHz, red curve, bottom) and $\mathbf{1H}[\text{B}(\text{ArF})_4]$ (300.1 MHz, blue curve, top) in $\text{THF}-d_8$ at 298 K.

2.3 Synthesis of $[\text{Si}_2(\text{Me})(\text{Idipp})_2]\text{[B}(\text{ArF})_4]$ ($\mathbf{1Me}[\text{B}(\text{ArF})_4]$)

A suspension of **1** (150 mg, 0.18 mmol) and $\text{Na}[\text{B}(\text{ArF})_4]$ (160 mg, 0.18 mmol) in 15 mL of $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{F}$ was cooled to -30°C . 2.4 mL of a 0.076 M solution of iodomethane (0.18 mmol) in toluene were added. The colour changed from dark red to orange and a small amount of a colourless precipitate was formed (Nal). The suspension was stirred for 1 hour at -30°C and for 1 hour at ambient temperature. The suspension was concentrated under vacuum to ca. 4 mL and filtered from the colourless precipitate. *n*-Hexane (6 mL) was added to the orange filtrate and an orange solid precipitated. The supernatant was decanted with a cannula and the solid was washed once with 2 mL of *n*-hexane. The solid was dissolved in a mixture of 4 mL of $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{F}$ and 3 mL of *n*-hexane, and the orange suspension was filtered from a small amount of an orange solid. Storage of the clear, orange filtrate at -30°C for 14 days afforded orange crystals of $\mathbf{1Me}[\text{B}(\text{ArF})_4]$. The crystals were separated from the supernatant with a cannula ($\varnothing = 1$ mm) at -30°C and dried under vacuum ($5 \cdot 10^{-2}$ mbar) at -30°C for 30 minutes and for 2 h at ambient temperature. Yield: 110 mg (0.064 mmol, 36 %). The obtained crystals were suitable for single crystal x-ray diffraction analysis. A red powder was obtained after grinding of the crystals. Compound $\mathbf{1Me}[\text{B}(\text{ArF})_4]$ gradually turns dark brown

above 198 °C and melts under decomposition at 213 °C.⁹ Elemental analysis calcd (%) for C₈₇H₈₇BF₂₄N₄Si₂ (1711.60): C 61.05, H 5.12, N 3.27; found: C 61.05, H 5.21, N 3.21 %.

¹H NMR (*Figures S12 and S13*, 300.1 MHz, THF-*d*₈, 298 K, ppm): δ = 0.14 (s, 3H, ²J(Si,H) = 10.0 Hz, Si-CH₃), 0.99 (d, 12H, ³J(H,H) = 6.8 Hz, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_X), 1.07 (d, 12H, ³J(H,H) = 6.8 Hz, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_Y), 1.08 (d, 12H, ³J(H,H) = 6.8 Hz, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_X), 1.17 (d, 12H, ³J(H,H) = 6.8 Hz, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_Y), 2.35 (sept, 4H, ³J(H,H) = 6.8 Hz, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)₂, (Idipp)_X), 2.44 (sept, 4H, ³J(H,H) = 6.8 Hz, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)₂, (Idipp)_Y), 7.25 (d, 4H, ³J(H,H) = 7.7 Hz, 2 × C^{3,5}-H, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_Y), 7.26 (d, 4H, ³J(H,H) = 7.7 Hz, 2 × C^{3,5}-H, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_X), 7.41 (t, 2H, ³J(H,H) = 7.8 Hz, 2 × C⁴-H, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_Y), 7.45 (t, 2H, ³J(H,H) = 7.8 Hz, 2 × C⁴-H, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_X), 7.58 (s, 4H, 4 × C⁴-H, BAr^F₄), 7.74 (s, 2H, C^{4,5}-H, (Idipp)_Y), 7.77 (s, 2H, C^{4,5}-H, (Idipp)_X), 7.80 (br m, 8H, $\Delta\nu_{\frac{1}{2}}$ = 9.6 Hz, 4 × C^{2,6}-H, BAr^F₄).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (*Figures S14 and S15*, 75.47 MHz, THF-*d*₈, 298 K, ppm): δ = 4.5 (s, 1C, Si-CH₃), 23.0 (s, 4C, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_Y), 23.4 (s, 4C, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_X), 25.3 (s, 4C, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_X),¹⁰ 25.9 (s, 4C, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_Y), 29.8 (s, 8C, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)₂, (Idipp)_X + 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)₂, (Idipp)_Y), 118.2 (sept, 4C, ³J(F,C) = 4.0 Hz, 4 × C⁴-H, BAr^F₄), 125.4 (s, 4C, 2 × C^{3,5}-H, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_Y), 125.5 (q, 8C, ¹J(F,C) = 272.1 Hz, 4 × C^{3,5}-CF₃, BAr^F₄), 126.1 (s, 4C, 2 × C^{3,5}-H, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_X), 127.3 (s, 2C, C^{4,5}-H, (Idipp)_Y), 127.6 (s, 2C, C^{4,5}-H, (Idipp)_X), 130.1 (qq, 8C, ²J(F,C) = 31.5 Hz, ³J(C,¹¹B) = 3.0 Hz, 4 × C^{3,5}-CF₃, BAr^F₄), 131.4 (s, 2C, 2 × C⁴-H, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_Y), 132.3 (s, 2C, 2 × C⁴-H, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_X), 134.2 (s, 2C, 2 × C¹, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_X), 134.9 (s, 2C, 2 × C¹, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_Y), 135.6 (br s, 8C, $\Delta\nu_{\frac{1}{2}}$ = 10.7 Hz, 4 × C^{2,6}-H, BAr^F₄), 146.1 (s, 4C, 2 × C^{2,6}, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_Y), 146.3 (s, 4C, 2 × C^{2,6}, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_X), 162.8 (q, 4C, ¹J(C,¹¹B) = 49.8 Hz, ¹J(C,¹⁰B) = 16.7 Hz, 4 × C¹, BAr^F₄), 162.9 (s, 1C, C²-SiMe-Si, (Idipp)_X), 177.1 (s, 1C, C²-Si-SiMe, (Idipp)_Y).

²⁹Si NMR (*Figure S16*, 59.63 MHz, THF-*d*₈, 298 K, ppm): δ = 102.8 (q, 1Si, ²J(Si,H) = 10.0 Hz, Si-Si-CH₃), 115.2 (s, 1Si, Si-Si-CH₃).

⁹ A ¹H NMR spectrum in THF-*d*₈ of the red residue obtained after cooling of the molten sample to room temperature revealed the unselective decomposition of **1Me**[B(Ar^F)₄].

¹⁰ The signal at δ = 25.3 ppm overlaps with that of the deuterated solvent but was easily detected in the ¹³C{¹H} DEPT135 experiment.

$^{19}\text{F}\{\text{H}\}$ NMR (282.4 MHz, THF- d_8 , 298 K, ppm): $\delta = -63.3$ (s, 24F, $4 \times \text{C}^{3,5}-\text{CF}_3$, BAr_4^{F}).

$^{11}\text{B}\{\text{H}\}$ NMR (96.29 MHz, THF- d_8 , 298 K, ppm): $\delta = -6.5$ (s, 1B, BAr_4^{F}).

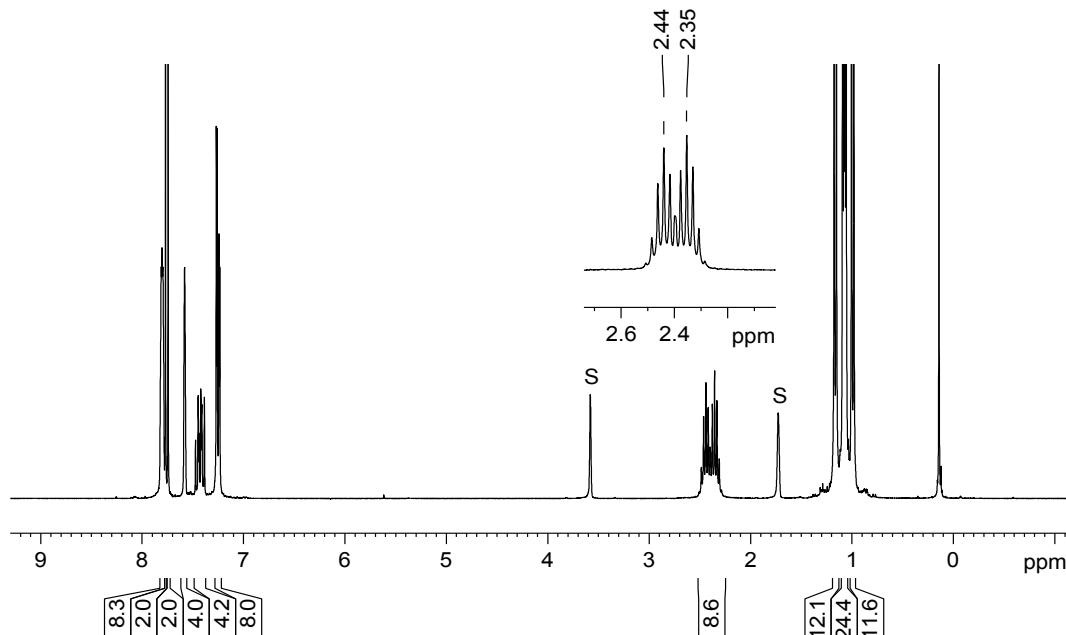


Figure S12. ^1H NMR (300.1 MHz) spectrum of **1Me**[$\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4$] in THF- d_8 at 298 K; the signals of the deuterated solvent are marked with the character S. An enlarged excerpt displaying the methine resonances is shown in the inset.

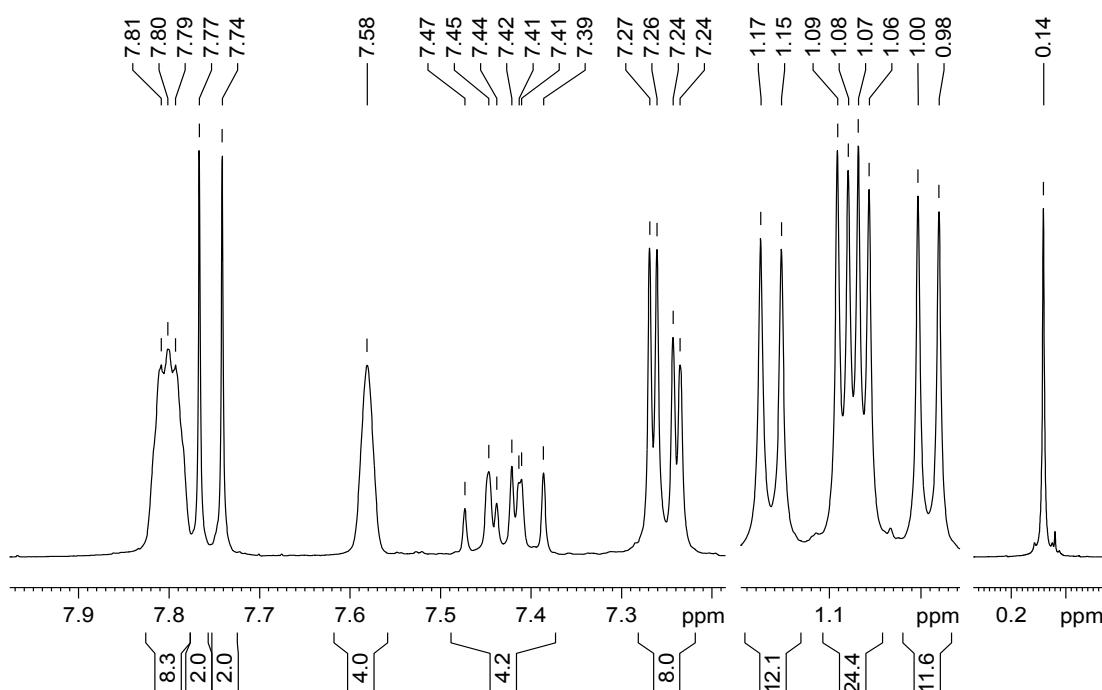


Figure S13. Excerpts of the ^1H NMR (300.1 MHz) spectrum of **1Me**[$\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4$] in THF- d_8 at 298 K depicted in Figure S12.

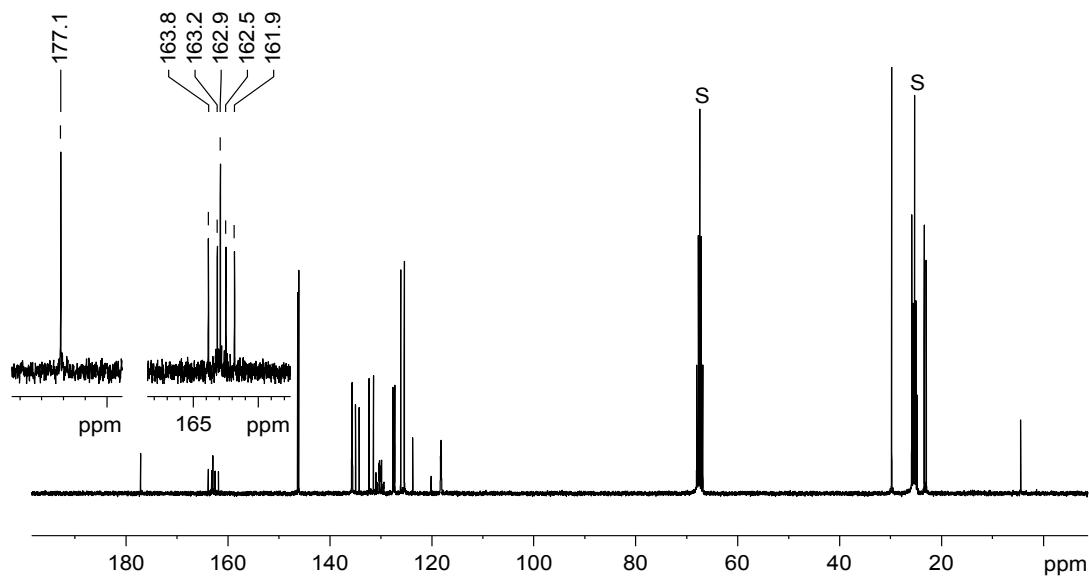


Figure S14. $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75.47 MHz) spectrum of **1** $\text{Me}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ in $\text{THF}-d_8$ at 298 K; the signals of the deuterated solvent are marked with the character S. Enlarged excerpts are shown in the insets.

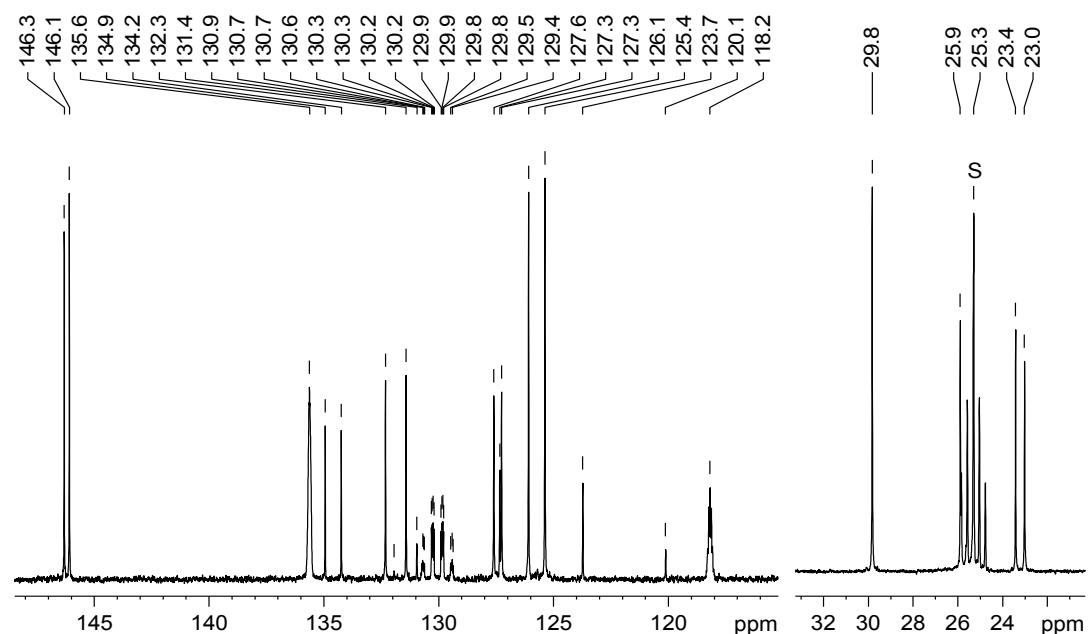


Figure S15. Excerpts of the $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75.47 MHz) spectrum of **1** $\text{Me}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ in $\text{THF}-d_8$ at 298 K depicted in Figure S14; the signal of the deuterated solvent is marked with the character S.

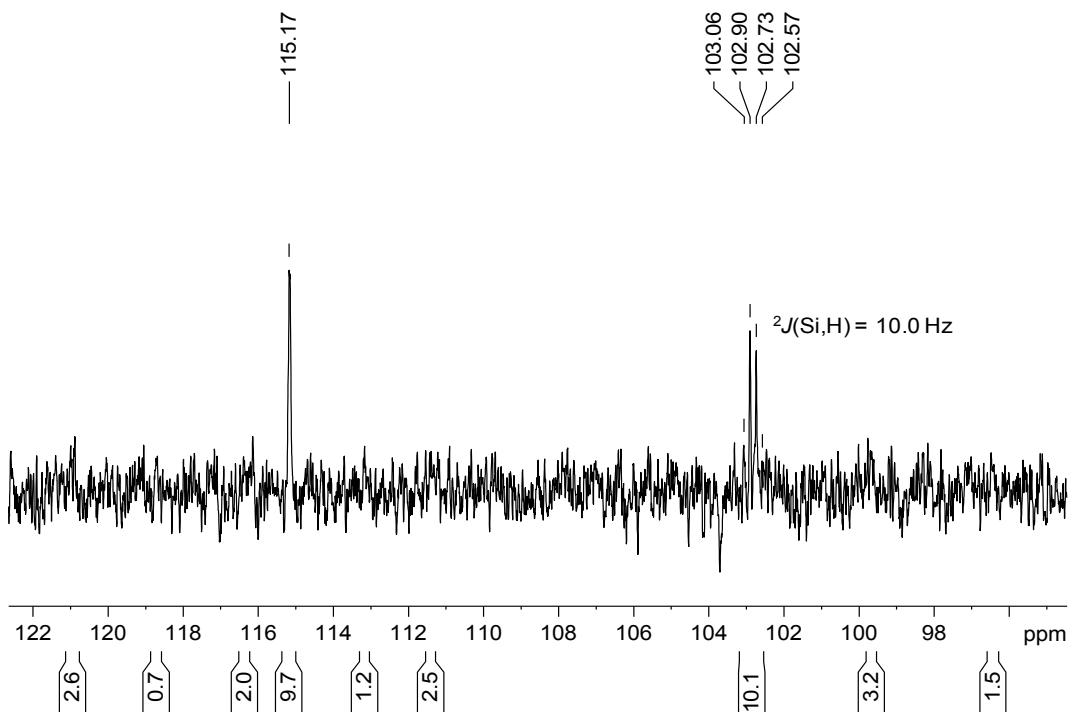


Figure S16. ^{29}Si NMR (59.63 MHz) spectrum of **1Me**[B(Ar^F)₄] in THF-*d*₈ at 298 K.

2.4 Synthesis of [Si₂(Et)(Idipp)₂][B(Ar^F)₄] (**1Et**[B(Ar^F)₄])

A solution of **1** (150 mg, 0.18 mmol) and Na[B(Ar^F)₄] (160 mg, 0.18 mmol) in 8 mL of C₆H₅F was cooled to -30 °C and 0.62 mL of a 0.289 M solution of iodoethane (0.18 mmol) in C₆H₅F was added with a syringe. After ca. 30 minutes of stirring at -30 °C, the reaction mixture turned orange and precipitation of a colorless solid was observed (NaI). The mixture was warmed to ambient temperature, stirred for 30 minutes and concentrated under vacuum to ca. 6 mL. *n*-Hexane (8 mL) was added, and the suspension was stirred for 5 minutes and filtered. The clear red-orange filtrate was stored at -30 °C for 14 days, whereupon red-orange crystals of **1Et**[B(Ar^F)₄] were formed. The supernatant was removed by decantation with a cannula (\varnothing = 1 mm) at -30 °C and the crystals were dried for 1 h under vacuum (5 · 10⁻² mbar) at ambient temperature. Yield: 154 mg (0.089 mmol, 50 %). The crystals were suitable for X-ray diffraction analysis. A red powder was obtained after grinding of the crystals. Compound **1Et**[B(Ar^F)₄] gradually turns dark brown above 193 °C and melts under decomposition at 209 °C. Elemental analysis calcd (%) for C₈₈H₈₉BF₂₄N₄Si₂ (1725.62): C 61.25, H 5.20, N 3.25; found: C 60.90, H 5.08, N 3.19 %.

¹H NMR (*Figures S17 – S19*, 300.1 MHz, THF-*d*₈, 298 K, ppm): δ = 0.62 – 0.72 (m, 2H, Si-CH₂CH₃), 0.74 – 0.81 (m, 3H, Si-CH₂CH₃),¹¹ 1.03 – 1.12 (overlapping doublets, 48H, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_X + 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_X + 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_Y + 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_Y), 2.40 – 2.50 (two overlapping septets, 8H, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)₂, (Idipp)_X + 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)₂, (Idipp)_Y), 7.22 (d, 4H, ³J(H,H) = 7.8 Hz, 2 × C^{3,5}-H, (Idipp)_X), 7.25 (d, 4H, ³J(H,H) = 7.8 Hz, 2 × C^{3,5}-H, (Idipp)_Y), 7.46 (t, 4H, ³J(H,H) = 7.8 Hz, 2 × C⁴-H, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_X + 2 × C⁴-H, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_Y), 7.57 (s, 4H, 4 × C⁴-H, BAr^F₄), 7.72 (s, 2H, C^{4,5}-H, (Idipp)_Y), 7.79 (br m, 8H, $\Delta\nu_{\frac{1}{2}} = 10.0$ Hz, 4 × C^{2,6}-H, BAr^F₄), 7.85 (s, 2H, C^{4,5}-H, (Idipp)_X).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (*Figures S20 and S21*, 75.47 MHz, THF-*d*₈, 298 K, ppm): δ = 13.1 (s, 1C, Si-CH₂CH₃), 15.5 (s, 1C, Si-CH₂CH₃), 23.0, 23.1 (s each, 4C each, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_X + 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_Y), 25.7, 25.9 (s each, 4C each, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_X + 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)_A(CH₃)_B, (Idipp)_Y), 29.8 (s, 8C, 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)₂, (Idipp)_X + 2 × C^{2,6}-CH(CH₃)₂, (Idipp)_Y), 118.2 (sept, 4C, ³J(F,C) = 4.1 Hz, 4 × C⁴-H, BAr^F₄), 125.4, 125.6 (s each, 4C each, 2 × C^{3,5}-H, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_X + 2 × C^{3,5}-H, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_Y), 125.5 (q, 8C, ¹J(F,C) = 272.3 Hz, 4 × C^{3,5}-CF₃, BAr^F₄), 127.4 (s, 2C, C^{4,5}-H, (Idipp)_Y), 127.8 (s, 2C, C^{4,5}-H, (Idipp)_X), 130.0 (qq, 8C, ³J(F,C) = 31.5 Hz, ³J(C,¹¹B) = 2.9 Hz, 4 × C^{3,5}-CF₃, BAr^F₄), 131.5, 132.2 (s each, 2C each, 2 × C⁴-H, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_X + 2 × C⁴-H, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_Y), 134.2 (s, 2C, 2 × C¹, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_X), 135.2 (s, 2C, 2 × C¹, C₆H₃, (Idipp)_Y), 135.6 (br s, 8C, $\Delta\nu_{\frac{1}{2}} = 10.0$ Hz, 4 × C^{2,6}-H, BAr^F₄), 146.1, 146.2 (s each, 4C each, 2 × C^{2,6}, (Idipp)_X + 2 × C^{2,6}, (Idipp)_Y), 162.8 (q, 4C, ¹J(C,¹¹B) = 49.8 Hz, ¹J(C,¹⁰B) = 16.8 Hz, 4 × C¹, BAr^F₄), 164.2 (s, 1C, C²-SiEt-Si, (Idipp)_X), 176.1 (s, 1C, C²-Si-SiEt, (Idipp)_Y).

²⁹Si NMR (*Figure S22*, 59.63 MHz, THF-*d*₈, 298 K, ppm): δ = 87.2 (s, 1Si, Si-Si-Et), 111.6 (t, 1Si, ²J(Si,H) = 8.4 Hz, Si-Si-Et).

¹⁹F{¹H} NMR (282.4 MHz, THF-*d*₈, 298 K, ppm): δ = -63.4 (s, 24F, 4 × C^{3,5}-CF₃, BAr^F₄).

¹¹B{¹H} NMR (96.29 MHz, THF-*d*₈, 298 K, ppm): δ = -6.5 (s, 1B, BAr^F₄).

¹¹ The ¹H NMR signals of the ethyl group of **1Et[B(Ar^F)₄]** show the multiplicity pattern of an A₂B₃ type spin system. The signals could be well simulated with the NMR simulation program gNMR (Figure S19, ref. [S5]), leading to the following values: Si-CH₂CH₃: δ = 0.68 ppm, ³J(H,H) = 7.84 Hz, $\Delta\nu_{\frac{1}{2}} = 1.7$ Hz; Si-CH₂CH₃: δ = 0.77 ppm, ³J(H,H) = 7.84 Hz, $\Delta\nu_{\frac{1}{2}} = 1.7$ Hz. For other A₂B₃ type spin systems found in ethylsilanes see: a) B. R. McGarvey, G. Slomp, *J. Chem. Phys.* **1959**, 30, 1586; b) H. Schmidbaur, F. Schindler, *J. Organomet. Chem.* **1964**, 2, 466.

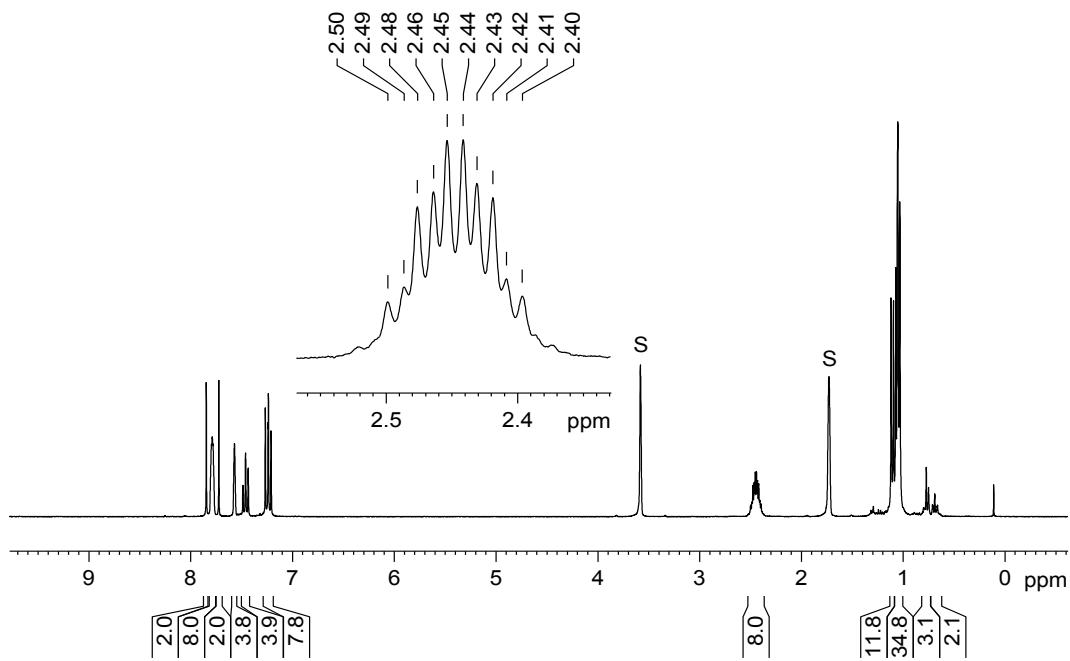


Figure S17. ^1H NMR (300.1 MHz) spectrum of **1Et[B(Ar F) $_4$]** in $\text{THF}-d_8$ at 298 K; the signals of the deuterated solvent are marked with the character S. An enlarged excerpt with the methine resonances is shown in the inset.

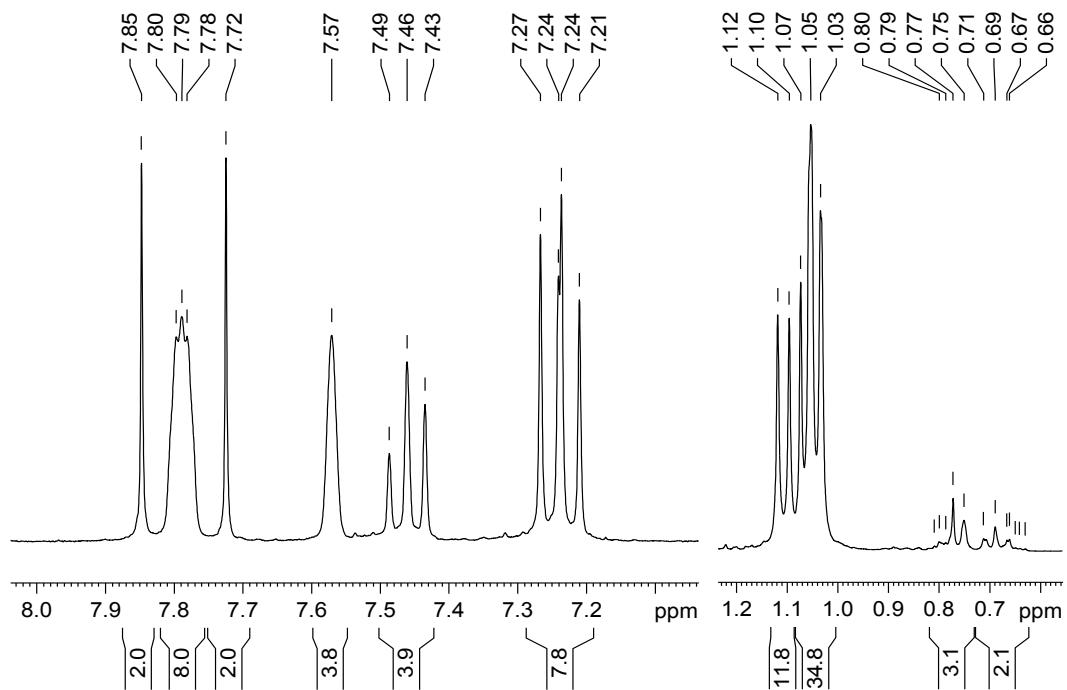


Figure S18. Excerpts of the ^1H NMR (300.1 MHz) spectrum of **1Et[B(Ar F) $_4$]** in $\text{THF}-d_8$ at 298 K depicted in Figure S17.

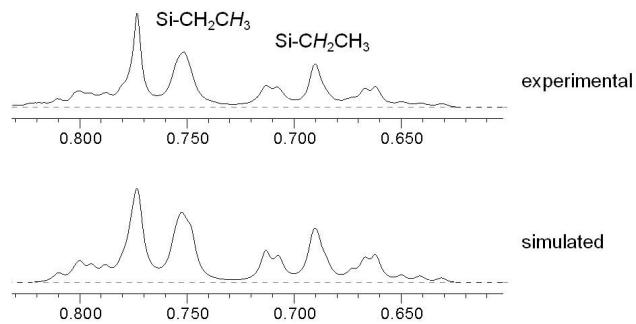


Figure S19. Experimental and simulated ^1H NMR spectrum of the A_2B_3 spin system of the ethyl group in **1Et[B(ArF)₄]**. The NMR simulation was performed with the program gNMR.^[S5]

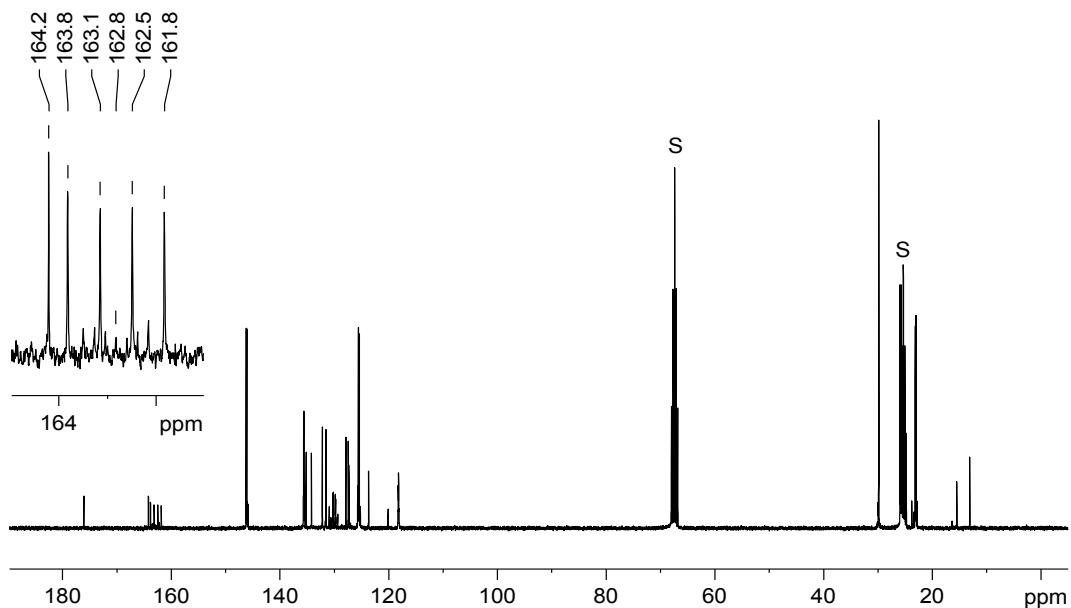


Figure S20. $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75.47 MHz) spectrum of **1Et[B(ArF)₄]** in $\text{THF}-d_8$ at 298 K; the signals of the deuterated solvent are marked with the character S. An enlarged excerpt is shown in the inset.

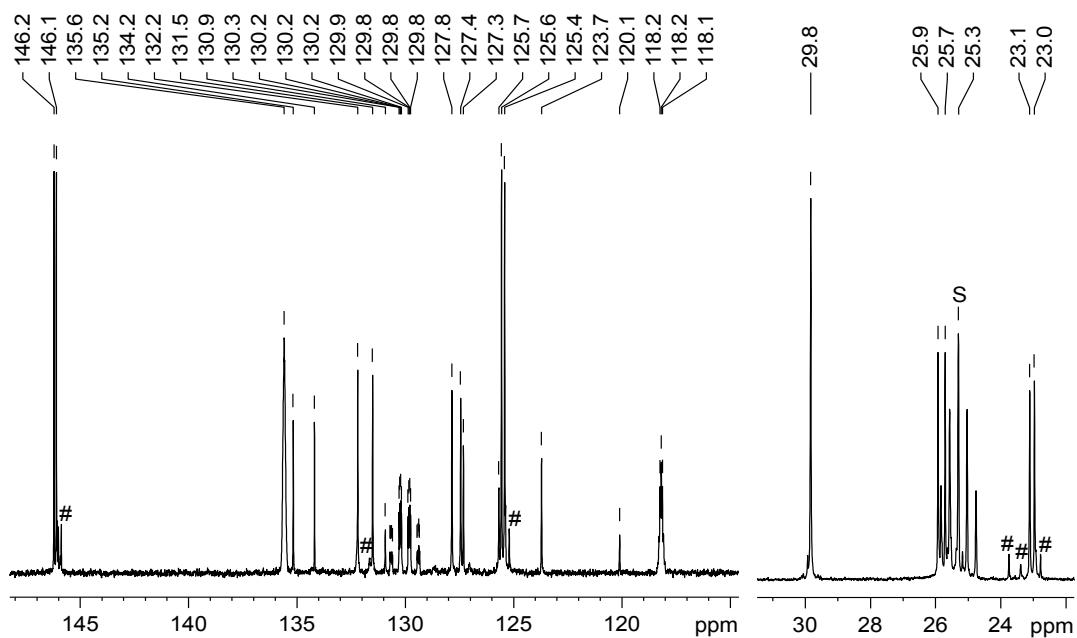


Figure S21. Excerpts of the $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75.47 MHz) spectrum of **1Et[B(Ar^F)₄]** in THF-*d*₈ at 298 K depicted in Figure S20; the signal of the deuterated solvent is marked with the character S and the signals of a tiny impurity are marked with #.

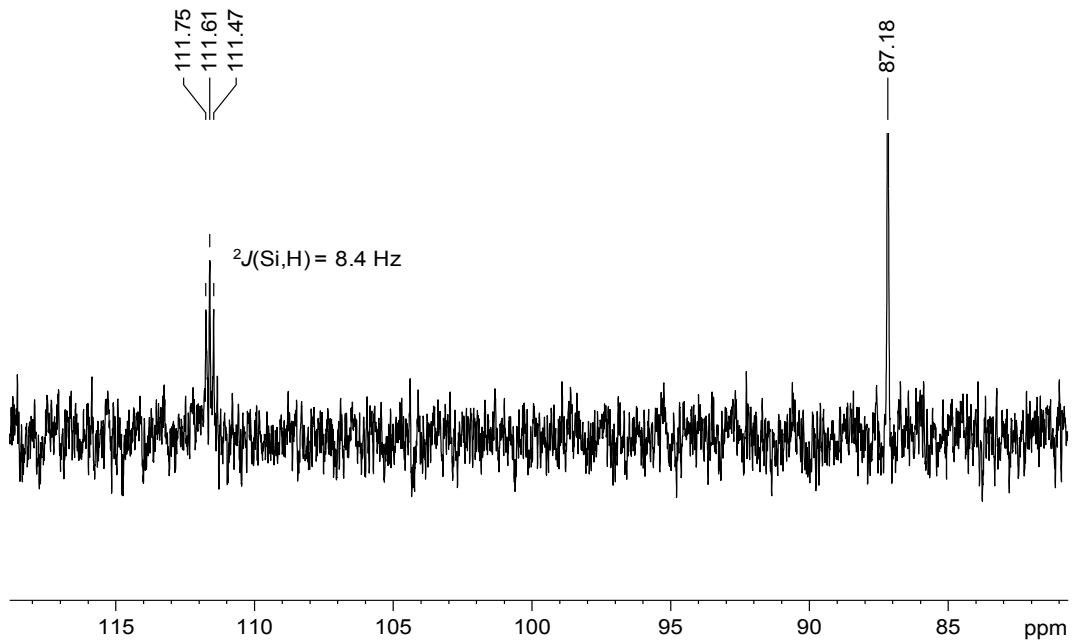


Figure S22. ^{29}Si NMR (59.63 MHz) spectrum of **1Et[B(Ar^F)₄]** in THF-*d*₈ at 298 K.

2.5 Synthesis of $[\text{Si}_2(\text{Li})(\text{Idipp})_2][\text{B}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_4]$ ($\mathbf{1}\text{Li}[\text{B}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_4]$)

Fluorobenzene (6 mL) was added to a mixture of **1** (200 mg, 0.24 mmol) and $[\text{Li}(\text{Et}_2\text{O})_{2.5}][\text{B}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_4]$ (209 mg, 0.24 mmol), whereupon a yellowish dark red suspension was obtained containing a red solid. After 10 minutes of stirring the solvent was removed under vacuum, and the dark-brown residue was dried for 2 h at 60 °C. The solid was digested in 4 mL of fluorobenzene, and 2 mL of *n*-hexane were added to afford a yellowish-brown suspension. The suspension was filtered from a small amount of a brown solid, and the yellowish brown filtrate was overlaid with 4 mL of *n*-hexane. After 20 h of storage dark-brownish black, needle-shaped crystals were formed, which were separated from the supernatant and dried under vacuum ($5 \cdot 10^{-2}$ mbar) for 2 h at ambient temperature. Yield: 158 mg (0.104 mmol, 43 %). The obtained crystals were shown by single crystal x-ray diffraction analysis and ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectroscopy to be the *n*-hexane monosolvate of $\mathbf{1}\text{Li}[\text{B}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_4]$. A brown powder was obtained after fine grinding of the crystals and drying under vacuum.¹² Compound $\mathbf{1}\text{Li}[\text{B}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_4]$ turns dark red at 192 – 193 °C and melts to a dark red mass under decomposition at 202 °C. Elemental analysis calcd (%) for $\text{C}_{78}\text{H}_{72}\text{BF}_{20}\text{LiN}_4\text{Si}_2$ (1519.32): C 61.66, H 4.78, N 3.69; found: C 61.43, H 5.07, N 3.67 %.

^1H NMR (*Figure S23*, 300.1 MHz, $\text{C}_6\text{D}_5\text{Cl}$, 298 K, ppm): $\delta = 0.86$ (t, 6H, $^3J(\text{H},\text{H}) = 6.2$ Hz, $2 \times \text{CH}_3$, *n*- C_6H_{14}), 0.95 (d, 24H, $^3J(\text{H},\text{H}) = 6.8$ Hz, $4 \times \text{C}^{2,6}\text{-CH}(\text{CH}_3)_\text{A}(\text{CH}_3)_\text{B}$), 0.96 (d, 24H, $^3J(\text{H},\text{H}) = 6.8$ Hz, $4 \times \text{C}^{2,6}\text{-CH}(\text{CH}_3)_\text{A}(\text{CH}_3)_\text{B}$), 1.20 (m, 8H, $4 \times \text{CH}_2$, *n*- C_6H_{14}), 2.63 (sept, 8H, $^3J(\text{H},\text{H}) = 6.8$ Hz, $4 \times \text{C}^{2,6}\text{-CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$), 6.99 (d, 8H, $^3J(\text{H},\text{H}) = 7.7$ Hz, $4 \times \text{C}^{3,5}\text{-H}$, C_6H_3), 7.00 (s, 4H, $2 \times \text{C}^{4,5}\text{-H}$), 7.29 (t, 4H, $^3J(\text{H},\text{H}) = 7.7$ Hz, $4 \times \text{C}^4\text{-H}$, C_6H_3).

$^{13}\text{C}\{\text{H}\}$ NMR (*Figures S24 and S25*, 75.47 MHz, $\text{C}_6\text{D}_5\text{Cl}$, 298 K, ppm): $\delta = 14.3$ (s, 2C, $2 \times \text{CH}_3$, *n*- C_6H_{14}), 22.0 (s, 8C, $4 \times \text{C}^{2,6}\text{-CH}(\text{CH}_3)_\text{A}(\text{CH}_3)_\text{B}$), 23.0 (s, 2C, $2 \times \text{CH}_2$, *n*- C_6H_{14}), 25.3 (s, 8C, $4 \times \text{C}^{2,6}\text{-CH}(\text{CH}_3)_\text{A}(\text{CH}_3)_\text{B}$), 29.2 (s, 8C, $4 \times \text{C}^{2,6}\text{-CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$), 31.9 (s, 2C, $2 \times \text{CH}_2$, *n*- C_6H_{14}), 124.1 (s, 4C, $2 \times \text{C}^{4,5}\text{-H}$), 124.4 (s, 8C, $4 \times \text{C}^{3,5}\text{-H}$, C_6H_3), 131.1 (s, 4C, $4 \times \text{C}^4\text{-H}$, C_6H_3), 134.7 (s, 4C, $4 \times \text{C}^1$, C_6H_3), 136.8 (dm, 8C, $^1J(\text{F},\text{C}) = 250.7$ Hz, $4 \times \text{C}^{3,5}\text{-F}$, C_6F_5),¹³ 138.7 (dm, 4C, $^1J(\text{F},\text{C}) = 247.4$ Hz, $4 \times \text{C}^4\text{-F}$, C_6F_5),¹³ 147.0 (s, 8C, $4 \times \text{C}^{2,6}$, C_6H_3), 149.0 (dm, 8C, $^1J(\text{F},\text{C}) = 249.6$ Hz, $4 \times \text{C}^{2,6}\text{-F}$, C_6F_5),¹³ 188.8 (s, 2C, $2 \times \text{C}^2\text{-Si}$).

¹² The brown powder obtained after fine-grinding of the crystals and prolonged drying under vacuum did not contain *n*-hexane according to the elemental analysis.

¹³ The ^{13}C and ^{19}F NMR signals of the $\text{C}^{3,5}\text{-F}$ and $\text{C}^{2,6}\text{-F}$ groups were assigned tentatively as in ref. [S3].

$^{29}\text{Si}\{\text{H}\}$ NMR (*Figure S26*, 59.63 MHz, $\text{C}_6\text{D}_5\text{Cl}$, 298 K, ppm): $\delta = 301.1$ (br m, 2Si, $\Delta\nu_{\text{z}} = 30.7$ Hz, $\Delta\nu = 56$ Hz).^{14,15}

^7Li NMR (116.6 MHz, $\text{C}_6\text{D}_5\text{Cl}$, 298 K, ppm): $\delta = -6.7$ (s, 1Li).

$^{19}\text{F}\{\text{H}\}$ NMR (282.4 MHz, $\text{C}_6\text{D}_5\text{Cl}$, ppm): $\delta = -166.8$ (m, 8F, $4 \times \text{C}^{3,5}\text{-F}$, C_6F_5), -163.1 (t, $^3J(\text{F},\text{F}) = 20.8$ Hz, 4F, $4 \times \text{C}^4\text{-F}$, C_6F_5), -132.3 (m, 8F, $4 \times \text{C}^{2,6}\text{-F}$, C_6F_5).¹³

$^{11}\text{B}\{\text{H}\}$ NMR (96.29 MHz, $\text{C}_6\text{D}_5\text{Cl}$, 298 K, ppm): $\delta = -16.5$ (s, 1B).

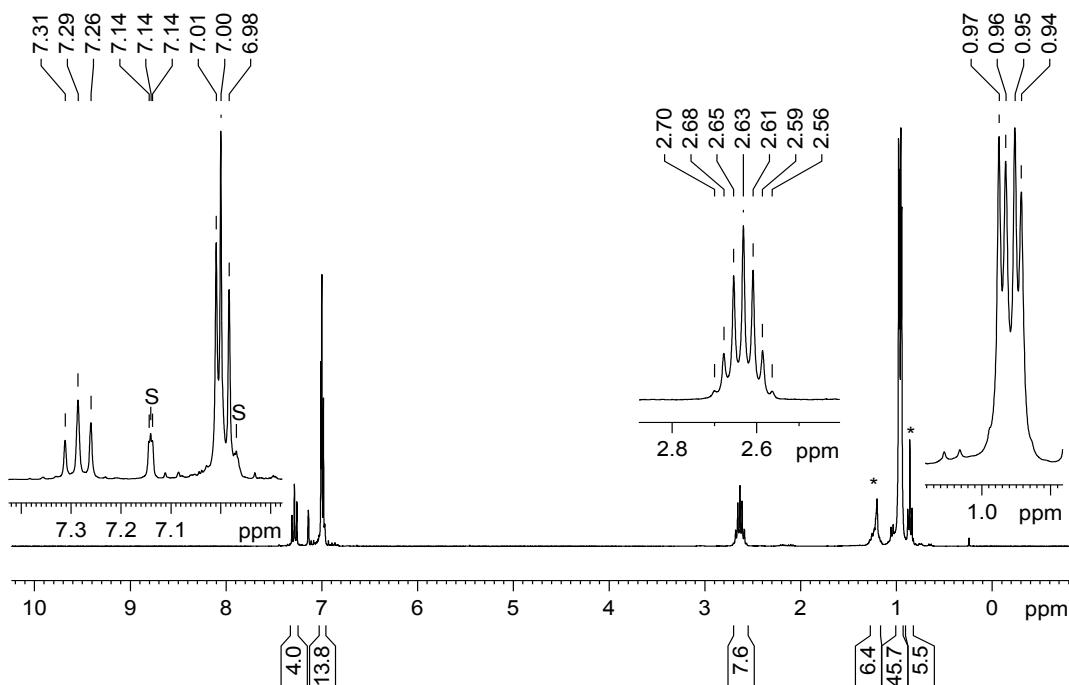


Figure S23. ^1H NMR (300.1 MHz) spectrum of $\mathbf{1}\text{Li}[\text{B}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_4]\cdot(n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{14})$ in $\text{C}_6\text{D}_5\text{Cl}$ at 298 K; the signals of the deuterated solvent are marked with the character S and the signals of *n*-hexane with an asterisk (*). Enlarged excerpts are shown in the insets.

¹⁴ $\Delta\nu$ denotes the width of the $^{29}\text{Si}\{\text{H}\}$ NMR signal of $\mathbf{1}\text{Li}[\text{B}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_4]$.

¹⁵ In order to determine the $J(^{29}\text{Si}, ^7\text{Li})$ coupling constant, attempts were undertaken to obtain a better resolved ^{29}Si NMR signal of $\mathbf{1}\text{Li}[\text{B}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_4]$ either by increasing the number of scans, recording the ^{29}Si NMR spectrum on a higher field (500 MHz) spectrometer or repeating the measurement at 243 K. All these attempts failed.

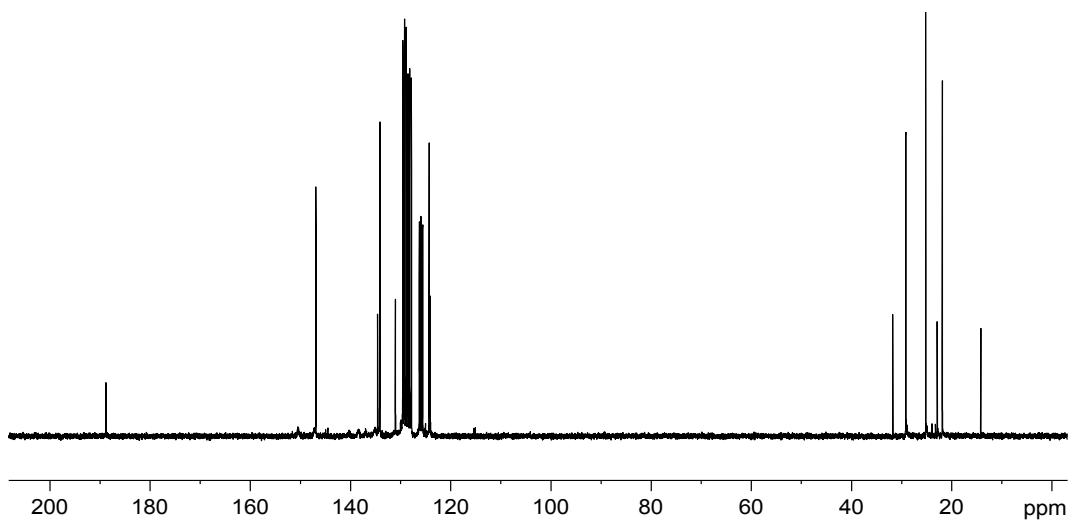


Figure S24. $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75.47 MHz) spectrum of $\mathbf{1}\text{Li}[\text{B}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_4]\cdot(n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{14})$ in $\text{C}_6\text{D}_5\text{Cl}$ at 298 K.

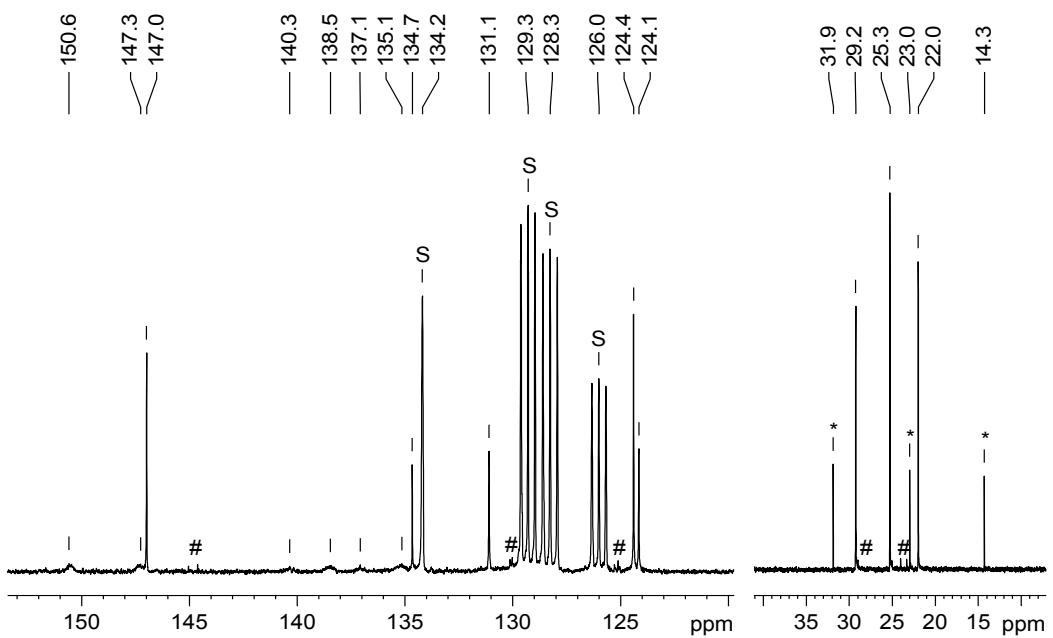


Figure S25. Excerpts of the $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75.47 MHz) spectrum of $\mathbf{1}\text{Li}[\text{B}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_4]\cdot(n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{14})$ in $\text{C}_6\text{D}_5\text{Cl}$ at 298 K depicted in Figure S24; the signals of the deuterated solvent are marked with the character S, the signals of *n*-hexane with an asterisk (*) and the signals of a tiny impurity with #.

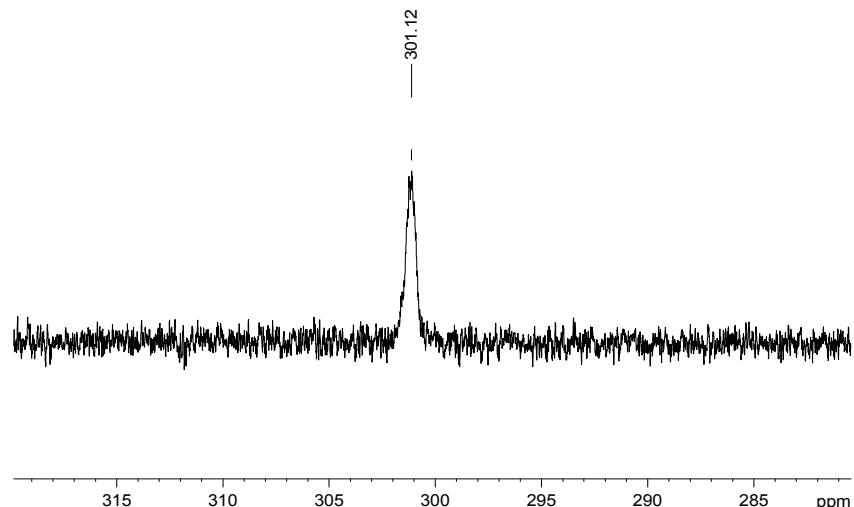


Figure S26. $^{29}\text{Si}\{\text{H}\}$ NMR (59.63 MHz) spectrum of **1** $\text{Li}[\text{B}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_4]\cdot(n\text{-C}_6\text{H}_{14})$ in $\text{C}_6\text{D}_5\text{Cl}$ at 298 K (number of scans: 10240).

2.6 Synthesis of $[\text{Si}_2(\text{Na})(\text{Idipp})_2][\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ (**1Na[B(Ar^F)₄]**)

Fluorobenzene (4 mL) was added to a mixture of **1** (200 mg, 0.24 mmol) and $\text{Na}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ (213 mg, 0.24 mmol), whereupon a yellowish-brown solution was obtained. After 2 h of stirring at ambient temperature, 2 mL of *n*-hexane were added, and the mixture was filtered from a small amount of a brown solid. *n*-Hexane (2 mL) was added to the yellowish-brown filtrate, and the biphasic mixture was mixed upon shaking the tube to obtain a clear yellowish-brown solution. Storage of the solution at -30 °C for 5 days afforded a dark-brown, crystalline solid, which was separated from the supernatant with a cannula ($\varnothing = 1$ mm) at -30 °C and dried for 2 h under vacuum ($5 \cdot 10^{-2}$ mbar) at room temperature. Yield: 288 mg (0.167 mmol, 70 %). After grinding of the crystalline solid a brown powder was obtained. Compound **1Na[B(Ar^F)₄]** turns dark red at 207 °C and melts to a dark red mass under decomposition at 211 – 212 °C. Elemental analysis calcd (%) for $\text{C}_{86}\text{H}_{84}\text{BF}_{24}\text{N}_4\text{NaSi}_2$ (1719.55): C 60.07, H 4.92, N 3.26; found: C 60.02, H 5.03, N 3.21 %.

^1H NMR (*Figure S27*, 300.1 MHz, $\text{C}_6\text{D}_5\text{Cl}$, 298 K, ppm): $\delta = 0.95$ (d, 24H, $^3J(\text{H},\text{H}) = 6.9$ Hz, 4 \times $\text{C}^{2,6}\text{-CH}(\text{CH}_3)_\text{A}(\text{CH}_3)_\text{B}$), 0.96 (d, 24H, $^3J(\text{H},\text{H}) = 6.9$ Hz, 4 \times $\text{C}^{2,6}\text{-CH}(\text{CH}_3)_\text{A}(\text{CH}_3)_\text{B}$), 2.66 (sept, 8H, $^3J(\text{H},\text{H}) = 6.9$ Hz, 4 \times $\text{C}^{2,6}\text{-CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$), 6.94 (s, 4H, 2 \times $\text{C}^{4,5}\text{-H}$), 6.98 (d, 8H, $^3J(\text{H},\text{H}) = 7.4$ Hz, 4 \times $\text{C}^{3,5}\text{-H}$, C_6H_3), 7.25 (t, 4H, $^3J(\text{H},\text{H}) = 7.4$ Hz, 4 \times $\text{C}^4\text{-H}$, C_6H_3), 7.62 (s, 4H, 4 \times $\text{C}^4\text{-H}$, BAr^{F}_4), 8.26 (br m, 8H, $\Delta\nu_{1/2} = 10.4$ Hz, 4 \times $\text{C}^{2,6}\text{-H}$, BAr^{F}_4).

$^{13}\text{C}\{\text{H}\}$ NMR (*Figures S28 and S29*, 75.47 MHz, $\text{C}_6\text{D}_5\text{Cl}$, 298 K, ppm): $\delta = 22.3$ (s, 8C, 4 \times $\text{C}^{2,6}\text{-CH}(\text{CH}_3)_\text{A}(\text{CH}_3)_\text{B}$), 25.1 (s, 8C, 4 \times $\text{C}^{2,6}\text{-CH}(\text{CH}_3)_\text{A}(\text{CH}_3)_\text{B}$), 29.1 (s, 8C, 4 \times $\text{C}^{2,6}\text{-CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$), 117.8 (sept, 4C, $^3J(\text{F},\text{C}) = 4.2$ Hz, 4 \times $\text{C}^4\text{-H}$, BAr^{F}_4), 124.2 (s, 8C, 4 \times $\text{C}^{3,5}\text{-H}$, C_6H_3), 124.3 (s, 4C, 2 \times $\text{C}^{4,5}\text{-H}$), 125.0 (q, 8C, $^1J(\text{F},\text{C}) = 272$ Hz, 4 \times $\text{C}^{3,5}\text{-CF}_3$, BAr^{F}_4), 129.2 (qq, 8C, $^2J(\text{F},\text{C}) =$

31.8 Hz, $^3J(C, ^{11}B) = 2.8$ Hz, $4 \times C^{3,5}\text{-CF}_3$, BAr F_4), 130.4 (s, 4C, $4 \times C^4\text{-H}$, C₆H₃), 135.1 (s, 4C, $4 \times C^1$, C₆H₃), 135.3 (br s, 8C, $\Delta\nu_{1/2} = 10.4$ Hz, $4 \times C^{2,6}\text{-H}$, BAr F_4), 147.2 (s, 8C, $4 \times C^{2,6}$, C₆H₃), 162.4 (q, 4C, $^1J(C, ^{11}B) = 49.6$ Hz, $^1J(C, ^{10}B) = 16.6$ Hz, $4 \times C^1$, BAr F_4), 189.1 (s, 2C, $2 \times C^2\text{-Si}$).

$^{29}\text{Si}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (*Figure S30*, 59.63 MHz, C₆D₅Cl, 298 K, ppm): $\delta = 288.8$ (s, 2Si).

$^{19}\text{F}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (282.4 MHz, C₆D₅Cl, 298 K, ppm): $\delta = -62.6$ (s, 24F, $4 \times C^{3,5}\text{-CF}_3$, BAr F_4).

$^{11}\text{B}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (96.29 MHz, C₆D₅Cl, 298 K, ppm): $\delta = -6.5$ (s, 1B, BAr F_4).

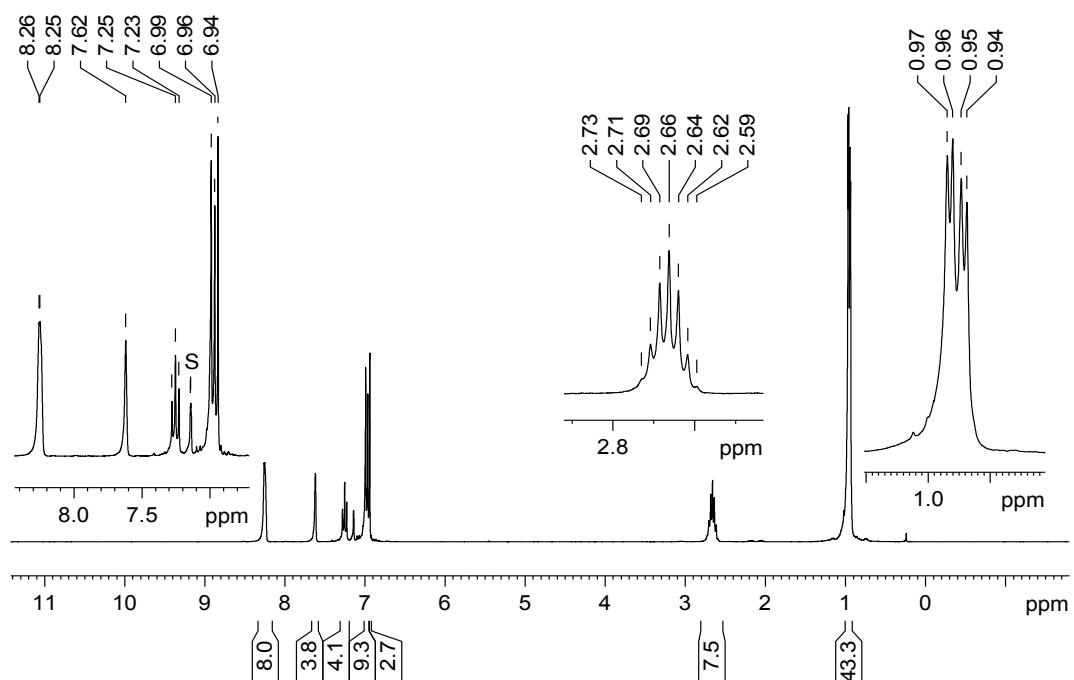


Figure S27. ^1H NMR (300.1 MHz) NMR spectrum of **1**Na[B(Ar F_4)₄] in C₆D₅Cl at 298 K; the signal of the deuterated solvent is marked with the character S. Enlarged excerpts are shown in the insets.

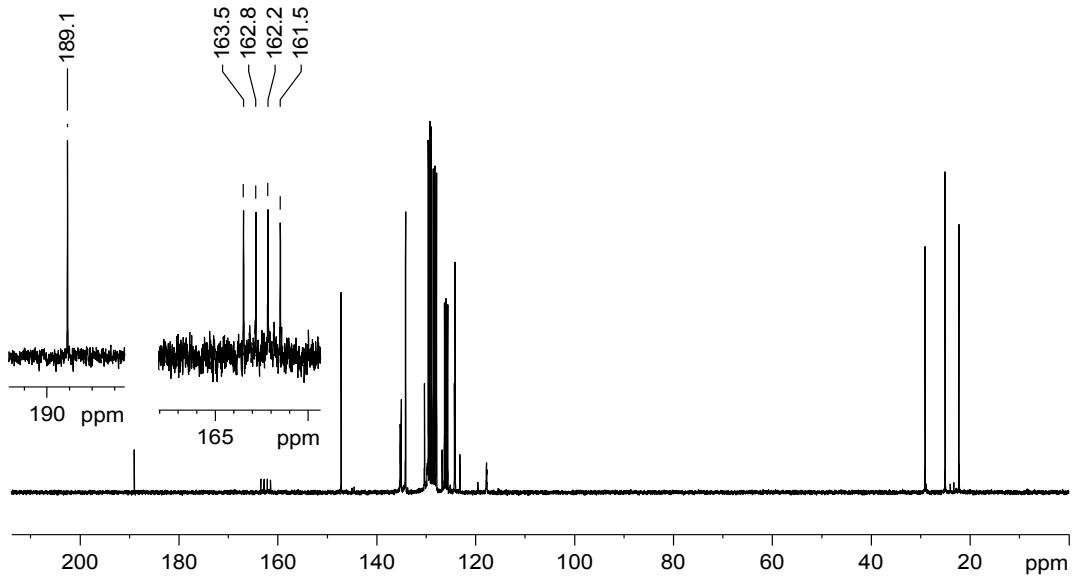


Figure S28. $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75.47 MHz) spectrum of $\mathbf{1}\text{Na}[\text{B}(\text{ArF})_4]$ in $\text{C}_6\text{D}_5\text{Cl}$ at 298 K. Enlarged excerpts are shown in the insets.

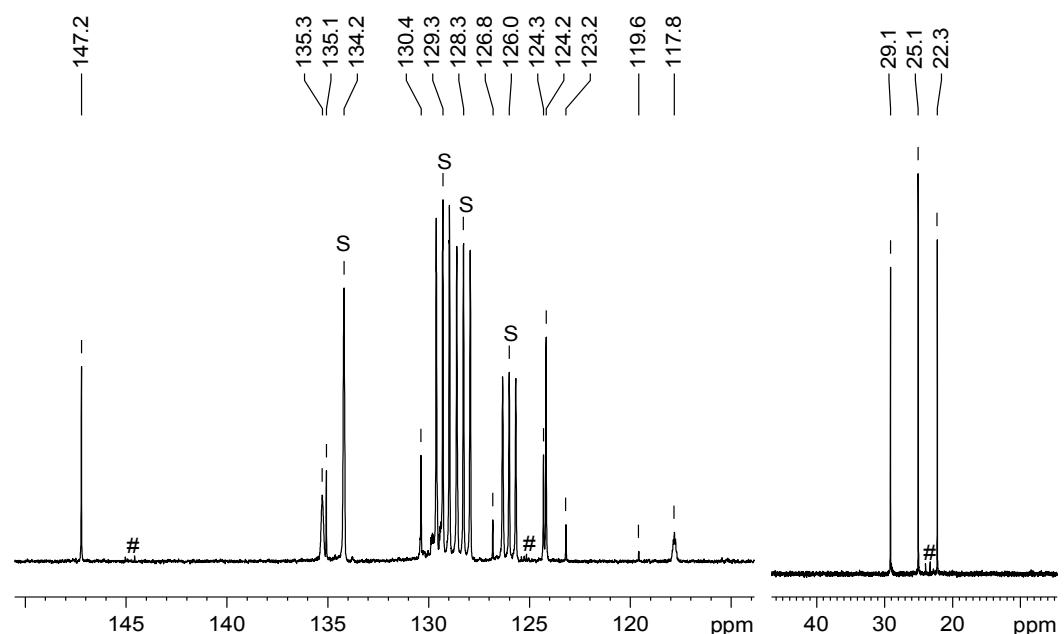


Figure S29. Excerpts of the $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (75.47 MHz) spectrum of $\mathbf{1}\text{Na}[\text{B}(\text{ArF})_4]$ in $\text{C}_6\text{D}_5\text{Cl}$ at 298 K depicted in Figure S28; the signals of the deuterated solvent are marked with the character S and the signals of a tiny impurity with #.

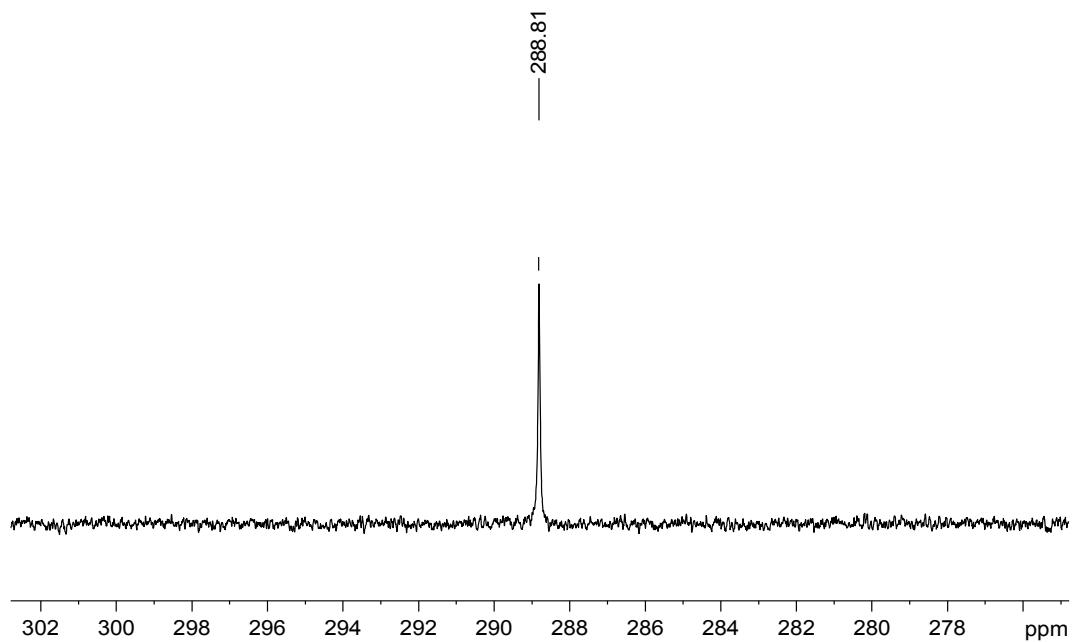


Figure S30. $^{29}\text{Si}\{\text{H}\}$ NMR (59.63 MHz) spectrum of **1** $\text{Na}[\text{B}(\text{ArF})_4]$ in $\text{C}_6\text{D}_5\text{Cl}$ at 298 K.

3. Determination of the standard Gibbs energy of activation for ${}^1\text{H}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$

The thermodynamic values (ΔG^\ddagger , ΔH^\ddagger , ΔS^\ddagger , E_a) of the dynamic process of ${}^1\text{H}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ were determined with variable temperature ${}^1\text{H}$ NMR spectroscopy from 213 K to 273 K (Figure S31).

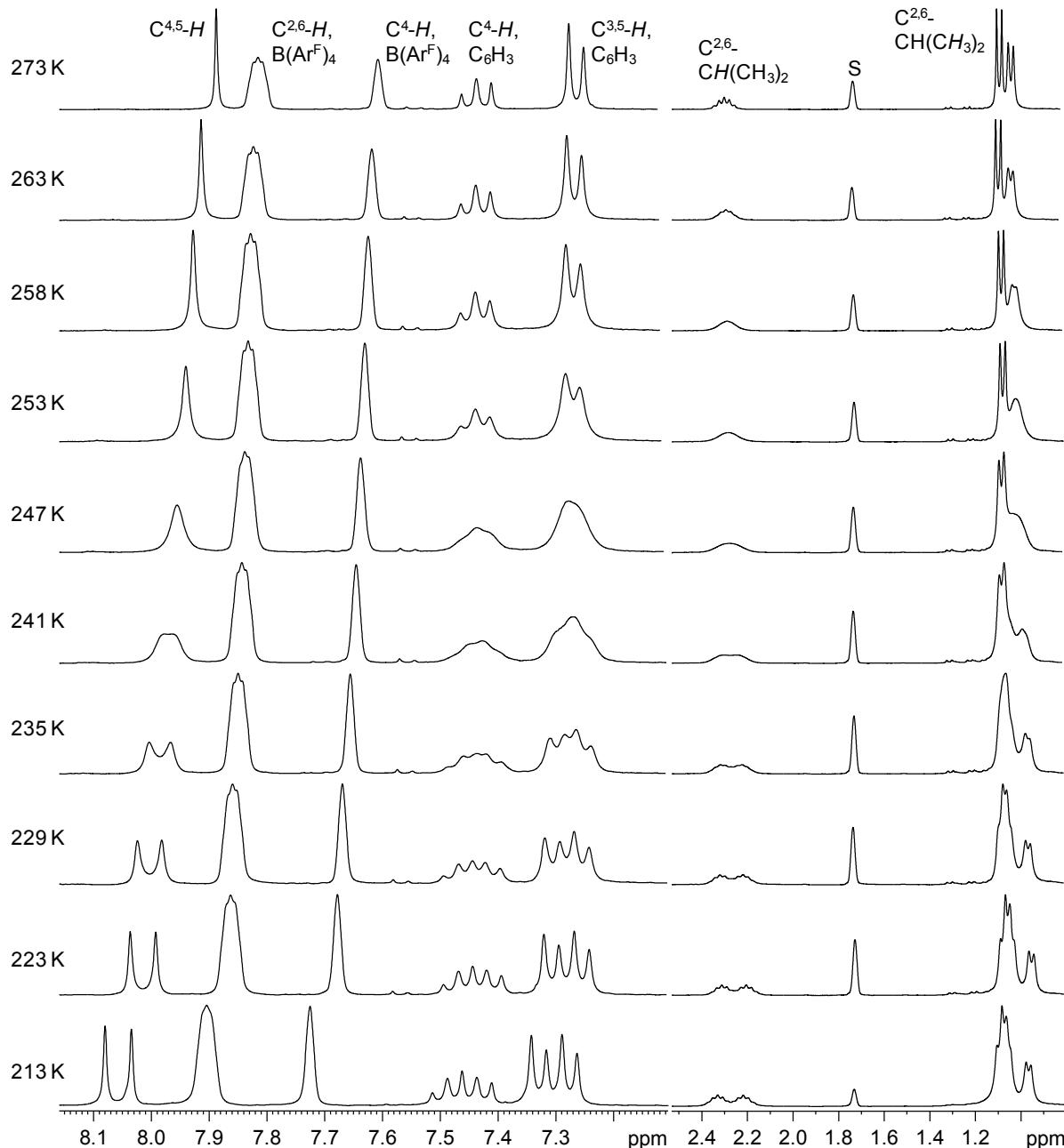


Figure S31. Excerpts of the variable temperature ${}^1\text{H}$ NMR (300.1 MHz) spectra of ${}^1\text{H}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$ in $\text{THF}-d_8$ from 213 – 273 K showing the dynamic behaviour. The signal marked with S corresponds to the residual proton resonance of the deuterated solvent.¹⁶

¹⁶ The ${}^1\text{H}$ NMR spectrum at 213 K was used for ${}^{13}\text{C}$ and ${}^{29}\text{Si}$ NMR spectroscopy and recorded at a higher concentration of ${}^1\text{H}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$.

The rate constants (k) and errors of the rate constants ($\sigma(k)$) were obtained from a full line-shape analysis of the C^{4,5}-H signals using the NMR simulation program gNMR.^[S5] The calculations were performed using standard methods of dynamic NMR spectroscopy.^[S6] The error of the temperature ($\sigma(T)$) was estimated to $\sigma(T) = 2$ K.

The free Gibbs energy of activation (ΔG^\ddagger) at the temperature of coalescence (T_c) can be calculated using the equation (1), where $\Delta\nu$ is the peak separation of the signals in Hz in the low temperature limit spectrum.

$$\Delta G^\ddagger = 0.0191 \cdot T_c \cdot \left[9.97 + \lg \left(\frac{T_c}{\Delta\nu} \right) \right] [\text{kJ mol}^{-1}] \quad (1)$$

Using the values $T_c = 241$ K and $\Delta\nu = 13.7$ Hz (at 213 K) the free Gibbs energy of activation ΔG^\ddagger was calculated to 51.6 kJ mol⁻¹ at 241 K.

The ΔG^\ddagger values can be calculated at each temperature from the rate constants k using equation (2).

$$\Delta G^\ddagger = 0.0191 \cdot T \cdot \left[10.319 + \lg \left(\frac{T}{k} \right) \right] [\text{kJ mol}^{-1}] \quad (2)$$

The rate constants (k) and errors of the rate constants ($\sigma(k)$) obtained from simulation and the corresponding ΔG^\ddagger values calculated from equation (2) are given in Table S1.

Table S1: Determined rate constants and ΔG^\ddagger values from 213 – 273 K.

T [K]	k [Hz]	$\sigma(k)$ [Hz]	ΔG^\ddagger [kJ mol ⁻¹]	T [K]	k [Hz]	$\sigma(k)$ [Hz]	ΔG^\ddagger [kJ mol ⁻¹]
213	2.98	1.24	49.5	244	40.1	1.25	51.7
223	6.04	3.03	50.6	247	52.3	1.31	51.9
226	8.05	2.65	50.8	250	66.9	2.21	52.0
229	10.4	1.94	51.0	253	86.4	4.40	52.1
232	14.3	2.09	51.1	258	117	1.07	52.5
235	18.1	2.41	51.3	263	187	1.03	52.6
238	24.4	2.78	51.4	268	259	1.16	52.9
241	31.4	1.24	51.6	273	400	2.56	52.9

The ΔG^\ddagger values range from 49.5 to 52.9 kJ mol⁻¹ in the temperature range of 213 – 273 K. The standard deviation $\sigma(\Delta G^\ddagger)$ was calculated from the root of the variance of ΔG^\ddagger to 0.9 kJ mol⁻¹.

An Arrhenius plot of $\ln(k)$ versus $1/T$ gave a linear fit with $R^2 = 0.9949$ (Figure S32). Using the Arrhenius equation (3), the energy of activation (E_a) was determined from the slope using the equation $E_a = -\text{slope} \cdot R$ ($R = 8.314462$ J K⁻¹ mol⁻¹) and found to be 40.7 kJ mol⁻¹.

The error of the energy of activation ($\sigma(E_a)$) was calculated using equation (4),^[S7] where T is the average temperature of the measurements ($T = 243.31$ K), $\Delta T = T_{\max} - T_{\min} = 60$ K,

$\Delta(\ln k) = \ln(k_{max}) - \ln(k_{min}) = 4.90$, $\sigma(T)/T$ is the average value of the relative errors for each temperature $\sigma(T)/T_i$ from 213 – 273 K, and $\sigma(k)/k$ is the average value of the relative errors for each rate constant $\sigma(k_i)/k_i$ from 213 – 273 K. Thereby $\sigma(E_a)$ was calculated to 2.4 kJ mol⁻¹.

$$k = A \cdot e^{-E_a/RT} \quad (3)$$

$$\left(\frac{\sigma(E_a)}{E_a}\right)^2 \approx \frac{2T^2}{(\Delta T)^2} \left(\frac{\sigma(T)}{T}\right)^2 + 2 \left(\frac{1}{\Delta(\ln(k))}\right)^2 \left(\frac{\sigma(k)}{k}\right)^2 \quad (4)$$

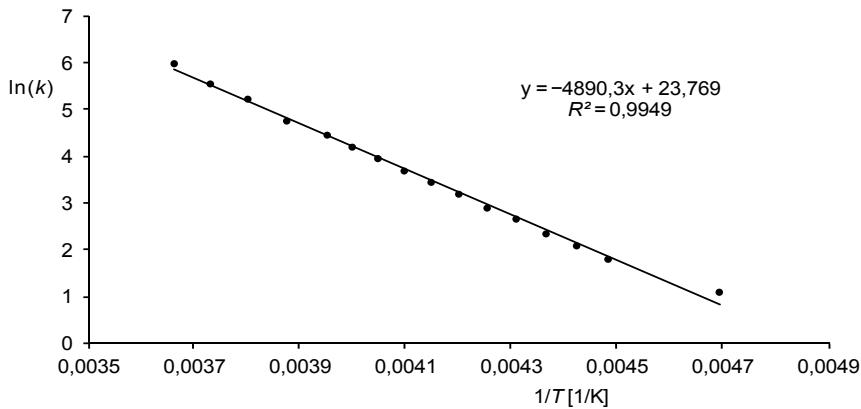


Figure S32. Arrhenius plot of $\ln(k)$ versus $1/T$ for $\mathbf{1H[B(ArF)4]}$.

The enthalpy of activation (ΔH^\ddagger) can be calculated using the equation $\Delta H^\ddagger = E_a - RT$, with $T = T_c = 241$ K, to yield $\Delta H^\ddagger = 38.7$ kJ mol⁻¹.

The error of the enthalpy of activation ($\sigma(\Delta H^\ddagger)$) was calculated using the equation $\sigma(\Delta H^\ddagger) = \sigma(E_a) - R \cdot \sigma(T)$, with $\sigma(E_a) = 2.4$ kJ mol⁻¹ and $\sigma(T) = 2$ K, to yield $\sigma(\Delta H^\ddagger) = 2.4$ kJ mol⁻¹.

The entropy of activation was calculated using the equation (5), with $\Delta G^\ddagger(241\text{ K}) = 51.6$ kJ mol⁻¹, $E_a = 40.7$ kJ mol⁻¹ and $T = T_c = 241$ K, to yield $\Delta S^\ddagger = -53.8$ J K⁻¹ mol⁻¹.

$$\Delta S^\ddagger = \frac{[(E_a - RT) - \Delta G^\ddagger]}{T} \quad (5)$$

The error of the entropy of activation ($\sigma(\Delta S^\ddagger)$) was calculated using equation (6), with $T = T_c = 241$ K, $\sigma(\Delta H^\ddagger) = 2.4$ kJ mol⁻¹, $\sigma(\Delta G^\ddagger) = 0.9$ kJ mol⁻¹, $\Delta H^\ddagger = 38.7$ kJ mol⁻¹, $\Delta G^\ddagger = 51.6$ kJ mol⁻¹ and $\sigma(T) = 2$ K, to yield $\sigma(\Delta S^\ddagger) = 6.6$ J K⁻¹ mol⁻¹.

$$\sigma(\Delta S^\ddagger) = \frac{\sigma(\Delta H^\ddagger)}{T} - \frac{\sigma(\Delta G^\ddagger)}{T} - \sigma(T) \left(\frac{\Delta H^\ddagger - \Delta G^\ddagger}{T^2} \right) \quad (6)$$

The Eyring plot of $\ln(k/T)$ versus $1/T$ gave a linear fit with $R^2 = 0.9957$ (Figure S33). Determination of the thermodynamic values from the Eyring plot using the modified Eyring equation (7) and the equations $\Delta H^\ddagger = -\text{slope} \cdot R$, $\Delta S^\ddagger = R \cdot (\text{intercept} - \ln(k_B/h))$, with $\ln(k_B/h) = 23.760$ and $\Delta G^\ddagger = \Delta H^\ddagger - T \cdot \Delta S^\ddagger$, led to $\Delta H^\ddagger = 38.5 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$, $\Delta S^\ddagger = -54.3 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ and $\Delta G^\ddagger(241 \text{ K}) = 51.6 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$.

$$\ln\left(\frac{k}{T}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{k_B}{h}\right) + \frac{\Delta S^\ddagger}{R} - \frac{\Delta H^\ddagger}{R}\left(\frac{1}{T}\right) \quad (7)$$

The error of the enthalpy of activation ($\sigma(\Delta H^\ddagger)$) and the error of the entropy of activation ($\sigma(\Delta S^\ddagger)$) were calculated using equations (8) and (9), respectively. Equations (8) and (9) were derived from the Eyring equation by error propagation,^[S8] where $\Delta T = T_{max} - T_{min} = 60 \text{ K}$ and $\Delta L = (\ln(k_{max}/T_{max}) - \ln(k_{min}/T_{min})) = 4.65$. The relative errors $\sigma(T)/T$ and $\sigma(k)/k$ were used as the average values from 213 – 273 K as for the Arrhenius plot. The calculations yielded $\sigma(\Delta H^\ddagger) = 2.4 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ and $\sigma(\Delta S^\ddagger) = 7.7 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$. The error of the Gibbs free energy of activation ($\sigma(\Delta G^\ddagger)$) was calculated to 0.6 kJ mol^{-1} using the equation $\sigma(\Delta G^\ddagger) = \sigma(\Delta H^\ddagger) - T \cdot \sigma(\Delta S^\ddagger) - \Delta S^\ddagger \cdot \sigma(T)$, with $\sigma(\Delta H^\ddagger) = 2.4 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$, $T = T_c = 241 \text{ K}$, $\Delta S^\ddagger = -54.3 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$, $\sigma(\Delta S^\ddagger) = 7.7 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ and $\sigma(T) = 2 \text{ K}$.

$$(\sigma(\Delta H^\ddagger))^2 = \frac{R^2 T_{max}^2 T_{min}^2}{\Delta T^2} \left\{ \left(\frac{\sigma(T)}{T} \right)^2 \left[\left(1 + T_{min} \frac{\Delta L}{\Delta T} \right)^2 + \left(1 + T_{max} \frac{\Delta L}{\Delta T} \right)^2 \right] + 2 \left(\frac{\sigma(k)}{k} \right)^2 \right\} \quad (8)$$

$$(\sigma(\Delta S^\ddagger))^2 = \frac{R^2}{\Delta T^2} \left\{ \left(\frac{\sigma(T)}{T} \right)^2 \left[T_{max}^2 \left(1 + T_{min} \frac{\Delta L}{\Delta T} \right)^2 + T_{min}^2 \left(1 + T_{max} \frac{\Delta L}{\Delta T} \right)^2 \right] + \left(\frac{\sigma(k)}{k} \right)^2 (T_{max}^2 + T_{min}^2) \right\} \quad (9)$$

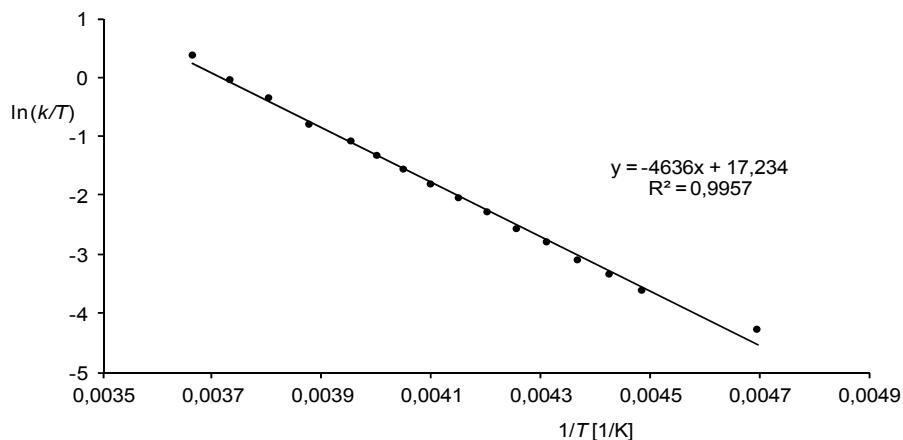


Figure S33. Eyring plot of $\ln(k/T)$ versus $1/T$ for $1\text{H}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$.

The results of the dynamic NMR spectroscopic analysis are summarized in Table S2 and show a good agreement of the values of ΔH^\ddagger , ΔS^\ddagger and ΔG^\ddagger obtained from the Arrhenius or the Eyring plot. In the main text, only the values derived from the Eyring plot are discussed.

Table S2: Summary of the dynamic NMR spectroscopic analysis of $1\text{H}[\text{B}(\text{Ar}^{\text{F}})_4]$.

Estimation ^[a]	Arrhenius plot ^[b]	Eyring plot
$\Delta G^\ddagger(241 \text{ K}) = 51.6 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$	$\Delta G^\ddagger(241 \text{ K}) = 51.6 \pm 0.9 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ $\Delta H^\ddagger = 38.7 \pm 2.4 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ $\Delta S^\ddagger = -53.8 \pm 6.6 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ $E_a = 40.7 \pm 2.4 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$	$\Delta G^\ddagger(241 \text{ K}) = 51.6 \pm 0.6 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ $\Delta H^\ddagger = 38.5 \pm 2.4 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ $\Delta S^\ddagger = -54.3 \pm 7.7 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$

[a]: The estimation was carried out using equation (1). [b]: ΔG^\ddagger was determined using equation (2).

4. Crystal structure determination

Orange-red plates of **1H[B(Ar^F)₄]** for single-crystal X-ray diffraction were obtained upon crystallization from a C₆H₅F / *n*-hexane (1:1) mixture at -30 °C. Red blocks of **1Me[B(Ar^F)₄]** were obtained upon crystallization from a C₆H₅F / *n*-hexane (4:3) mixture at -30 °C. Red plates of **1Et[B(Ar^F)₄]** were obtained upon crystallization from a C₆H₅F / *n*-hexane (3:4) mixture at -30 °C. In each case, the solvent was decanted from the crystals with a cannula at -30 °C and the crystals were dried under vacuum. Yellow-orange rods of **1Li[B(C₆F₅)₄]·(n-C₆H₁₄)** were obtained upon diffusion of *n*-hexane into a saturated solution of **1Li[B(C₆F₅)₄]** in fluorobenzene at room temperature.¹⁷ Clear red blocks of **1Na[B(Ar^F)₄]** were obtained by complete evaporation of the solvent of a C₆D₅Cl / *n*-hexane solution at room temperature. DIAMOND^[S9] plots of the molecular structures of **1Et[B(Ar^F)₄]** and **1Na[B(Ar^F)₄]** are depicted in Figures S34 and S35, respectively.

The data collection for **1H[B(Ar^F)₄]**, **1Me[B(Ar^F)₄]**, **1Et[B(Ar^F)₄]**, **1Li[B(C₆F₅)₄]·(n-C₆H₁₄)** and **1Na[B(Ar^F)₄]** was performed on a STOE IPDS2T diffractometer (area detector) using graphite monochromated Mo-*Kα* irradiation ($\lambda = 0.71073 \text{ \AA}$). The diffractometer was equipped with a low-temperature device (Oxford Cryostream 700er series, Oxford Cryosystems, 123(2) K). Intensities were measured by fine-slicing ω and φ -scans and corrected for background, polarization and Lorentz effects. A numerical absorption correction was applied for compound **1H[B(Ar^F)₄]**. The absorption corrections for **1Me[B(Ar^F)₄]**, **1Et[B(Ar^F)₄]**, **1Li[B(C₆F₅)₄]·(n-C₆H₁₄)** and **1Na[B(Ar^F)₄]** were performed by integration. The structures were solved by direct methods and refined anisotropically by the least-square procedure implemented in the SHELX program system.^[S10] Hydrogen atoms were included using the riding model on the bound carbon atoms, except the Si1-bonded H85 atom of **1H[B(Ar^F)₄]**, which was located in the difference density map and refined isotropically.

1Na[B(Ar^F)₄] turned out to be non-merohedrally twinned. Inspection of the reciprocal lattice revealed a second orientation matrix of the twinned component. Twin integration yielded a refined twin law of (-0.967 -0.205 -0.139 -0.336 -0.947 -0.173 -0.069 -0.170 0.990) and a BASF factor of 0.291(7). Structure refinement was performed on the basis of the HKLF5 data obtained by the twin integration procedure.

¹⁷ The colors of the crystals of **1Li[B(C₆F₅)₄]·(n-C₆H₁₄)** and **1Na[B(Ar^F)₄]** observed under the microscope differ from those of the macroscopic crystalline samples, which are given in the experimental part (cf. chapters 2.5 and 2.6).

CCDC numbers CCDC-1448827 (**1H**[B(Ar^F)₄]), CCDC-1448828 (**1Me**[B(Ar^F)₄]), CCDC-1448829 (**1Et**[B(Ar^F)₄]), CCDC-1448830 (**1Li**[B(C₆F₅)₄]·(n-C₆H₁₄)) and CCDC-1448831 (**1Na**[B(Ar^F)₄]) contain the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper, which can be obtained free of charge from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre via www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif.

Table S3: Crystal data and refinement.

	1H[B(Ar^F)₄]	1Me[B(Ar^F)₄]	1Et[B(Ar^F)₄]	1Li[B(C₆F₅)₄]·(n-C₆H₁₄)	1Na[B(Ar^F)₄]
Empirical formula	C ₈₆ H ₈₅ BF ₂₄ NaSi ₂	C ₈₇ H ₈₇ BF ₂₄ N ₄ Si ₂	C ₈₈ H ₈₉ BF ₂₄ N ₄ Si ₂	C ₈₄ H ₈₆ BF ₂₀ LiN ₄ Si ₂	C ₈₆ H ₈₄ BF ₂₄ N ₄ NaSi ₂
Moiety formula	C ₅₄ H ₇₃ N ₄ Si ₂ , C ₃₂ H ₁₂ BF ₂₄	C ₅₅ H ₇₅ N ₄ Si ₂ , C ₃₂ H ₁₂ BF ₂₄	C ₅₆ H ₇₇ N ₄ Si ₂ , C ₃₂ H ₁₂ BF ₂₄	C ₅₄ H ₇₂ LiN ₄ Si ₂ , C ₂₄ BF ₂₀ , C ₆ H ₁₄	C ₅₄ H ₇₂ N ₄ NaSi ₂ , C ₃₂ H ₁₂ BF ₂₄
Formula weight	1697.57 gmol ⁻¹	1711.60 gmol ⁻¹	1725.62 gmol ⁻¹	1605.50 gmol ⁻¹	1719.55
Temperature	123(2) K	123(2) K	123(2) K	123(2)	123(2)
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	0.71073 Å	0.71073 Å	0.71073 Å	0.71073 Å
Crystal system, space group	triclinic, <i>P</i> -1	triclinic, <i>P</i> -1	triclinic, <i>P</i> -1	orthorombic, <i>aba</i> 2	monoclinic, <i>I</i> 2/a
Unit cell dimensions	<i>a</i> = 12.6179(4) Å <i>b</i> = 16.9418(6) Å <i>c</i> = 21.2119(7) Å α = 80.997(3)° β = 74.486(3)° γ = 87.144(3)°	<i>a</i> = 12.5317(4) Å <i>b</i> = 16.8752(5) Å <i>c</i> = 21.5506(7) Å α = 81.388(3)° β = 74.544(2)° γ = 87.162(2)°	<i>a</i> = 12.6984(4) Å <i>b</i> = 16.1030(5) Å <i>c</i> = 21.2179(7) Å α = 86.027(3)° β = 88.262(2)° γ = 89.457(3)°	<i>a</i> = 21.7127(5) Å <i>b</i> = 29.2279(8) Å <i>c</i> = 26.0364(5) Å α = 90° β = 90° γ = 90°	<i>a</i> = 17.9849(6) Å <i>b</i> = 22.4945(10) Å <i>c</i> = 21.3530(7) Å α = 90° β = 95.132(3)° γ = 90°
Volume	4315.3(2) Å ³	4342.8(2) Å ³	4326.2(2) Å ³	16523.1(7) Å ³	8604.0(6) Å ³
Z, Calculated density	2, 1.306 mg m ⁻³	2, 1.309 mg m ⁻³	2, 1.325 mg m ⁻³	8, 1.291 mg m ⁻³	4, 1.327 mg m ⁻³
Absorption coefficient	0.138 mm ⁻¹	0.138 mm ⁻¹	0.139 mm ⁻¹	0.133 mm ⁻¹	0.144 mm ⁻¹
<i>F</i> (000)	1756	1772	1788	6672	3552.0
Crystal size	0.50 × 0.08 × 0.04 mm	0.25 × 0.20 × 0.18 mm	0.24 × 0.15 × 0.06 mm	0.50 × 0.09 × 0.06 mm	0.24 × 0.18 × 0.15
θ-range for data collection	2.92 – 28.00°	2.85 – 28.00°	2.89 – 28.00°	2.62 – 28.00°	2.55 – 26.18°
Limiting indices	-16 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 16 -22 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 22 -28 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 25	-16 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 16 -22 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 20 -27 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 28	-16 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 16 -18 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 21 -27 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 28	-24 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 28 -37 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 38 -34 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 22	-21 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 21 -26 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 26 -25 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 25
Reflections collected / unique	45959 / 20063 [R _{int} = 0.0472]	45709 / 20744 [R _{int} = 0.0519]	40688 / 20634 [R _{int} = 0.0402]	35881 / 16366 [R _{int} = 0.0611]	44493 / 16344 [R _{int} = 0.048]
Completeness to θ _{max}	96.2 %	98.9	98.8 %	99.3 %	99.8 %
Absorption correction	Numerical	Integration	Integration	Integration	Integration
Max. / min. transmission	0.9945 and 0.9341	0.9756 / 0.9663	0.9917 / 0.9674	0.9920 and 0.9363	0.9897 and 0.9580
Refinement method	Full-matrix least squares on <i>F</i> ²	Full-matrix least squares on <i>F</i> ²			
Data / restraints / parameters	20063 / 162 / 1200	20744 / 511 / 1203	20634 / 347 / 1219	16366 / 128 / 1048	16344 / 116 / 655
Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> ²	0.945	1.050	0.922	0.915	0.698
Final <i>R</i> indices [<i>I</i> > σ(<i>I</i>)]	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0456, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.1047	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0531, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.1397	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0497, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.1177	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0490, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.1035	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0452, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.0989
<i>R</i> indices (all data)	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0778, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.1142	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0797, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.1515	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0878, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.1277	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0745, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.1116	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.1439, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.1331
Largest diff. peak / hole	0.559 / -0.696 e Å ⁻³	0.59 / -0.47 e Å ⁻³	1.17 / -0.68 e Å ⁻³	0.54 / -0.63 e Å ⁻³	0.32 / -0.29 e Å ⁻³
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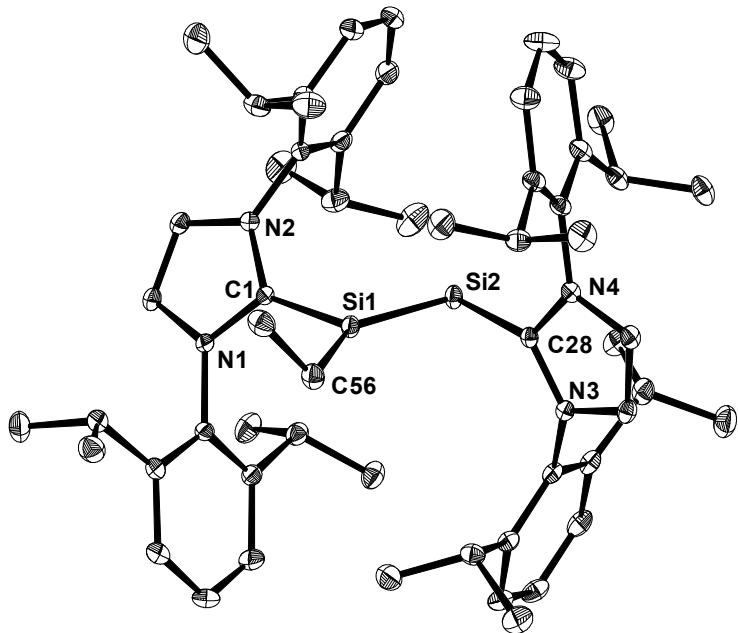


Figure S34. DIAMOND plot of the molecular structure of the cation $\mathbf{1}\text{Et}^+$ in the crystal lattice of $\mathbf{1}\text{Et}[\text{B}(\text{ArF})_4]$ at 123(2) K. Thermal ellipsoids are set at 30 % probability. Hydrogen atoms were omitted for clarity. Selected bond lengths [Å], bond angles [°] and torsion angles [°]: Si1–Si2 2.1726(9), Si1–C1 1.912(2), Si2–C28 1.941(2), Si1–C56 1.893(2); C1–Si1–Si2 108.36(7), C1–Si1–C56 108.2(1), Si2–Si1–C56 143.36(9), C28–Si2–Si1 100.08(7); C1–Si1–Si2–C28 –178.16(9).

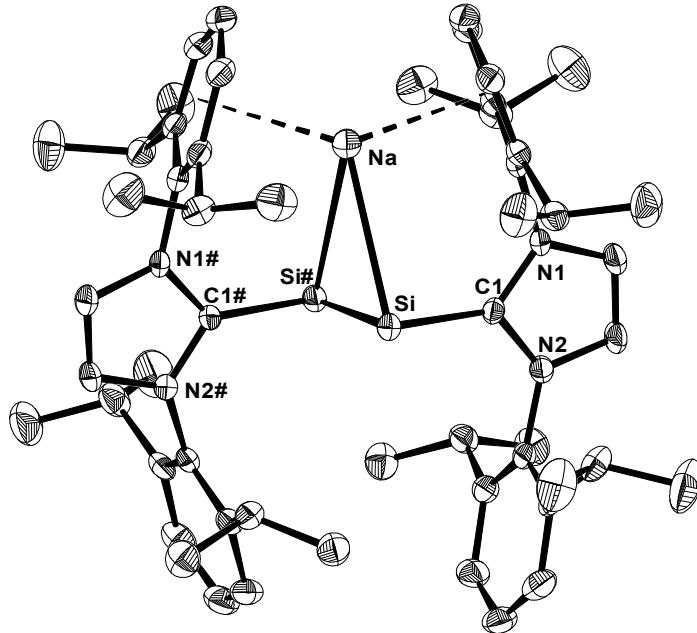


Figure S35. DIAMOND plot of the molecular structure of the cation $\mathbf{1}\text{Na}^+$ in the crystal lattice of $\mathbf{1}\text{Na}[\text{B}(\text{ArF})_4]$ at 123(2) K. Thermal ellipsoids are set at 30 % probability. The hydrogen atoms were omitted for clarity. Selected bond lengths [Å], bond angles [°] and torsion angles: Si–Si# 2.248(2), Si–Na 3.096(3), Si–C1 1.948(4); Si#–Si–Na 68.71(3), Si–Na–Si# 42.58(5), C1–Si–Si# 95.4(1), C1–Si–Na 92.6(1); C1–Si–Si#–C1# 178.5(3).

5. Electronic structure calculations

Structure optimizations were performed without any symmetry restraints using the ORCA 3.0.0 programm package.^[S11] The B97-D3^[S12] functionals, including the conductor-like screening model (COSMO) for THF^[S13] and RI-JCOSX approximations^[S14] were employed in combination with the def2-TZVP basis set for the Si, N, Li and carbene C atoms as well as for the Si attached CH₃-group and Si-attached H-atom. The def2-SVP basis sets were used for all peripheral carbon and all other hydrogen atoms.^[S15] This level of theory is abbreviated with B97-D3/I. The optimized geometries were verified as minima on the potential energy surface by two-sided numerical differentiation of the analytical gradients to obtain harmonic frequencies, which were also used to calculate the zero point vibrational energies (ZPVE). The thermodynamic energies and Gibbs energies at 298.15 K and 1 bar (ΔG°) were calculated using standard procedures.^[S16] NBO and NRT analyses were performed using NBO6.0.^[S17] The cartesian coordinates of the solid state structures of **1**,^[S1] **1H[B(Ar^F)₄]**, **1Me[B(Ar^F)₄]** and **1Li[B(C₆F₅)₄]·(n-C₆H₁₄)** were used as a starting point for the structure optimizations.

In order to obtain a starting point for the localization of the transition state and the other minimum structure **(1H⁺)'**_{calc} (“π-bonded isomer”) of [Si₂(H)(Idipp)₂]⁺, a relaxed potential energy surface scan of **1H⁺**_{calc} was performed involving a decrease of the Si₂–H distance from 345 to 125 pm in eleven steps. A similar relaxed potential energy surface scan was performed for **1Me⁺**_{calc}, involving a decrease of the Si₂–Me distance from 377 to 137 pm in twelve steps. Analyses of the harmonic frequencies at the energy maxima of these scans, with the aim to verify the correct trajectories of the selected vibrations for further transition state optimizations, revealed one imaginary frequency for [Si₂(H)(Idipp)₂]⁺ and [Si₂(Me)(Idipp)₂]⁺ at -440 cm^{-1} and -177 cm^{-1} , respectively. Both vibrations correspond to a rocking vibration of the H atom or the Me group interconverting the structures **1H⁺**_{calc} and **1Me⁺**_{calc} and the “π-bonded” isomers **(1H⁺)'**_{calc} and **(1Me⁺)'**_{calc}, respectively. Further geometrical transition state optimization at this point for [Si₂(H)(Idipp)₂]⁺ led to a transition state **(1H⁺)^{TS}**_{calc}, which shows one rocking vibration at $\nu = -505\text{ cm}^{-1}$. In case of [Si₂(Me)(Idipp)₂]⁺, the geometrical transition state optimization did not furnish the expected transition state **(1Me⁺)^{TS}**_{calc}. Instead, the geometrical optimization of the energy maximum of [Si₂(Me)(Idipp)₂]⁺ derived by the relaxed potential energy surface scan, which lies 97 kJ mol⁻¹ above the minimum structure **1Me⁺**_{calc}, led only to the minimum structures **1Me⁺**_{calc} or **(1Me⁺)'**_{calc}, suggesting a very flat progression of the potential energy surface upon the interconversion of **(1Me⁺)'**_{calc} into **1Me⁺**_{calc}.

5.1 Comparison of selected bonding parameters of $\mathbf{1H[B(Ar^F)_4]}$, $\mathbf{1H^+}_{\text{calc}}$, $(\mathbf{1H^+})^{\text{TS}}_{\text{calc}}$, $(\mathbf{1H^+})'_{\text{calc}}$, $\mathbf{1Me^+}_{\text{calc}}$, $(\mathbf{1Me^+})^{\text{TS}}_{\text{calc}}$, $(\mathbf{1Me^+})'_{\text{calc}}$ and $\mathbf{1Li^+}_{\text{calc}}$

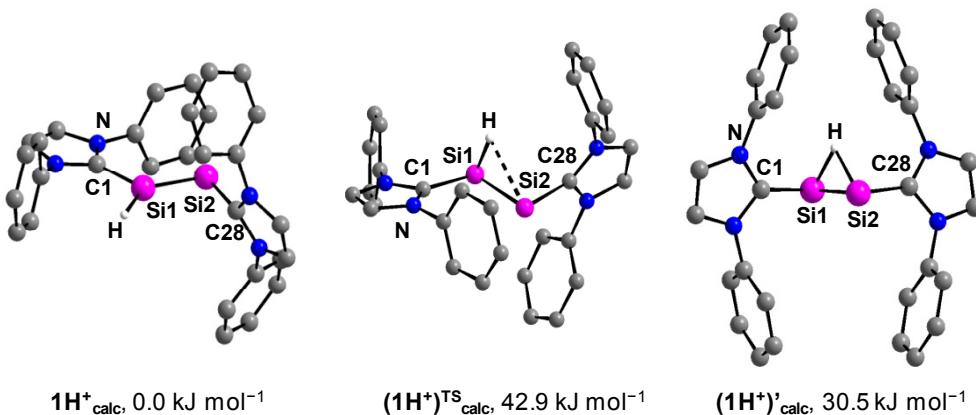


Figure S36. Calculated (B97-D3/I) structures of the “ σ -isomer” of $[\text{Si}_2(\text{H})(\text{ldipp})_2]^+$ ($\mathbf{1H^+}_{\text{calc}}$), the “ π -isomer” ($\mathbf{1H^+}'_{\text{calc}}$) and the transition state of the dynamic process ($(\mathbf{1H^+})^{\text{TS}}_{\text{calc}}$) with their corresponding relative Gibbs energies. The H atoms, except the Si1-bonded H-atom, are omitted for clarity. Atom numbering of the experimental structure was taken over in the calculated structure.

Table S4: Comparison of selected experimental bond lengths and angles of **1** and the cation **1H⁺** in $\mathbf{1H[B(Ar^F)_4]}$ with the calculated (B97-D3/I) bond lengths and angles of **1**_{calc}, $\mathbf{1H^+}_{\text{calc}}$, $(\mathbf{1H^+})^{\text{TS}}_{\text{calc}}$ and $(\mathbf{1H^+})'_{\text{calc}}$. Atom numbering of the experimental structures was taken over in the calculated structures.

	Si1–Si2 [Å]	Si1–C1 [Å]	Si2–C28 [Å]	Si–H	C1–Si1–Si2 [°]	C1–Si1–H [°]	Si1–Si2–C28 [°]	H–Si1–Si2 [°]	$\varphi_{\text{NHC}1}^{[a]}$ [°]	$\varphi_{\text{NHC}2}^{[a]}$ [°]
1^[b]	2.229(1)	1.927(2)	1.927(2)	–	93.37(5)	–	93.37(5)	–	87.11(5)	87.11(5)
1_{calc}	2.237	1.921	1.921	–	96.43	–	96.43	–	91.57	91.57
1H⁺	2.1873(8)	1.882(2)	1.940(2)	1.32(2)	116.73(7)	106(1)	95.34(6)	138(1)	8.60(6)	71.06(6)
1H⁺_{calc}	2.198	1.869	1.937	1.486	116.83	104.85	94.77	137.94	3.63	72.60
(1H⁺)^{TS}_{calc}	2.326	1.964	1.933	1.544 2.404	101.35	96.62 ^[c]	91.27	73.71 ^[c]	14.93	81.33
(1H⁺)' _{calc}	2.301	1.935	1.939	1.716 1.710	93.33	89.58 ^[c]	92.34	47.70 ^[c]	76.17	107.03

[a]: The dihedral angles $\varphi_{\text{NHC}1}$ and $\varphi_{\text{NHC}2}$ are the respective angles between the least-square plane of the atoms C1, Si1, Si2 and C28 and the respective NHC central ring planes. [b]: The structural parameters were obtained from ref. [S1]. [c] The corresponding angles C28–Si2–H and H–Si2–Si1 are 84.16° and 38.06° ($(\mathbf{1H^+})^{\text{TS}}_{\text{calc}}$) and 89.72° and 47.90° ($(\mathbf{1H^+})'_{\text{calc}}$).

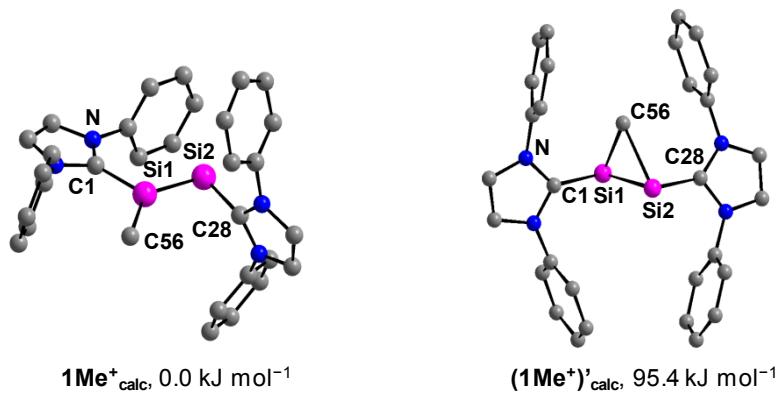


Figure S37. Calculated (B97-D3/I) structures of the “σ-isomer” of $[\text{Si}_2(\text{Me})(\text{ldipp})_2]^+$ (**1Me⁺_{calc}**) and the “π-isomer” (**(1Me⁺)'_{calc}**) with their corresponding relative Gibbs energies. The H atoms are omitted for clarity. Atom numbering of the experimental structure was taken over in the calculated structure.

Table S5: Comparison of selected experimental bond lengths and angles of the cation **1Me⁺** in **1Me[B(Ar^F)₄]** with the calculated (B97-D3/I) bond lengths and angles of **1Me⁺_{calc}** and **(1Me⁺)'_{calc}**. Atom numbering of the experimental structures was taken over in the calculated structures.

	Si1–Si2 [Å]	Si1–C1 [Å]	Si2–C28 [Å]	Si–C56 [Å]	C1–Si1–Si2 [°]	C1–Si1–C56 [°]	Si1–Si2–C28 [°]	C56–Si1–Si2 [°]	$\varphi_{\text{NHC}1}$ ^[a] [°]	$\varphi_{\text{NHC}2}$ ^[a] [°]
1Me⁺	2.1909(8)	1.901(2)	1.947(2)	1.885(2)	114.62(7)	111.3(1)	95.13(6)	133.71(8)	13.23(8)	79.11(7)
1Me⁺_{calc}	2.198	1.883	1.937	1.891	114.76	110.39	95.11	134.54	7.83	80.31
(1Me⁺)'_{calc}	2.336	1.963	1.952	2.029 2.307	102.06	98.41 ^[b]	100.21	51.81 ^[b]	88.69	67.25

[a]: The dihedral angles $\varphi_{\text{NHC}1}$ and $\varphi_{\text{NHC}2}$ are the respective angles between the least-square plane of the atoms C1, Si1, Si2 and C28 and the respective NHC central ring planes. [b] The corresponding angles C28–Si2–C56 and C56–Si2–Si1 are 95.24° and 63.37°.

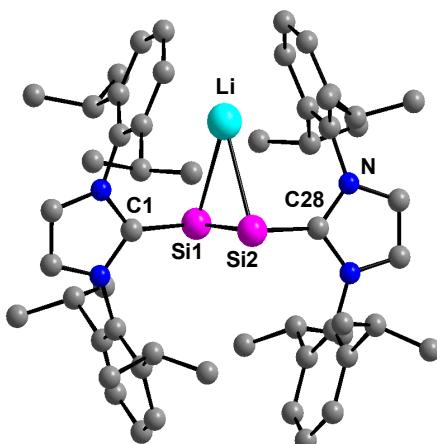


Figure S38. Calculated (B97-D3/I) structure of **1Li⁺_{calc}**. The H atoms are omitted for clarity. Atom numbering of the experimental structure was taken over in the calculated structure.

Table S6: Comparison of selected experimental bond lengths and angles of the cation $\mathbf{1Li}^+$ in $\mathbf{1Li[B(C_6F_5)_4]} \cdot (n\text{-}C_6H_{14})$ with the calculated (B97-D3/L) bond lengths and angles of $\mathbf{1Li}^+_{\text{calc}}$. Atom numbering of the experimental structures was taken over in the calculated structures.

	Si1–Si2 [Å]	Si1–C1 [Å]	Si2–C28 [Å]	Si1–Li [Å]	C1–Si1–Si2 [°]	C1–Si1–Li [°]	Li–Si1–Si2 [°]	$\varphi_{\text{NHC}1}$ ^[a]	$\varphi_{\text{NHC}2}$ ^[a]
$\mathbf{1Li}^+$	2.234(1)	1.941(3)	1.938(3)	2.822(6)	94.9(1)	95.9(2)	69.6(1)	79.0(1)	108.9(1)
$\mathbf{1Li}^+_{\text{calc}}$	2.251	1.942	1.939	2.781	99.40	94.84	66.75	79.56	99.23
				Si2–Li	C28–Si2–Si1	C28–Si2–Li	Li–Si2–Si1		
				[Å]	[°]	[°]	[°]		
$\mathbf{1Li}^+$				2.925(7)	98.7(1)	93.7(2)	64.7		
$\mathbf{1Li}^+_{\text{calc}}$				2.804	98.25	94.56	65.71		

[a]: The dihedral angles $\varphi_{\text{NHC}1}$ and $\varphi_{\text{NHC}2}$ are the respective angles between the least-square plane of the atoms C1, Si1, Si2 and C28 and the respective NHC central ring planes.

5.2 Selected Kohn-Sham orbitals of the compounds $\mathbf{1H}^+_{\text{calc}}$, $(\mathbf{1H}^+)_{\text{calc}}$, $\mathbf{1Me}^+_{\text{calc}}$, $(\mathbf{1Me}^+)_{\text{calc}}$ and $\mathbf{1Li}^+_{\text{calc}}$

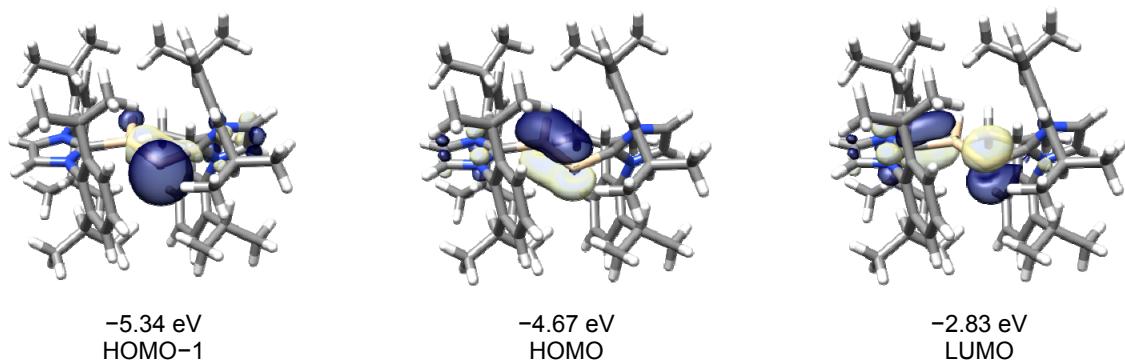


Figure S39. Selected Kohn-Sham orbitals (B97-D3/I) of $\mathbf{1H}^+_{\text{calc}}$ and their corresponding energy eigenvalues; isosurface value: 0.05 e bohr^{-3} .

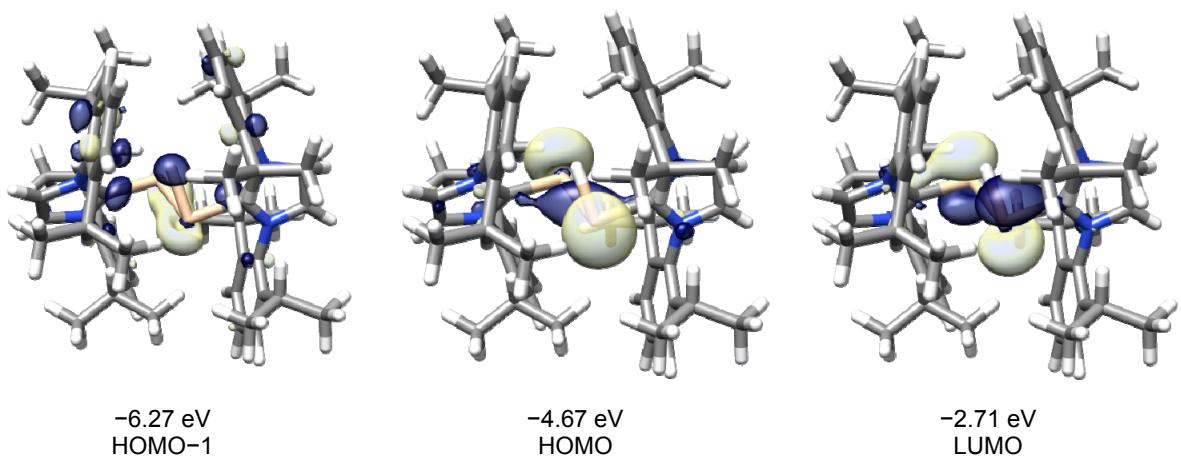


Figure S40. Selected Kohn-Sham orbitals (B97-D3/I) of $(\mathbf{1H}^+)_{\text{calc}}$ and their corresponding energy eigenvalues; isosurface value: 0.05 e bohr^{-3} .

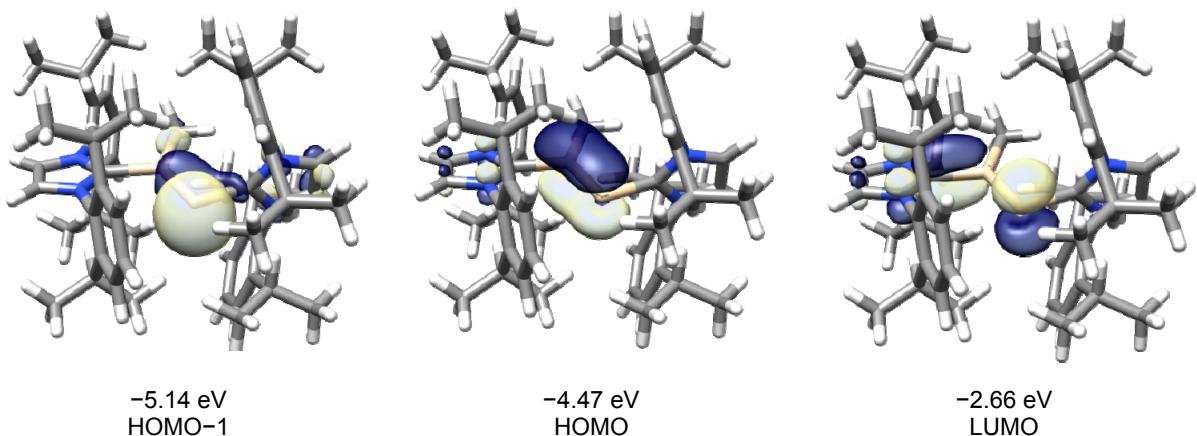


Figure S41. Selected Kohn-Sham orbitals (B97-D3/I) of $\mathbf{1Me}^+_{\text{calc}}$ and their corresponding energy eigenvalues; isosurface value: 0.05 e bohr^{-3} .

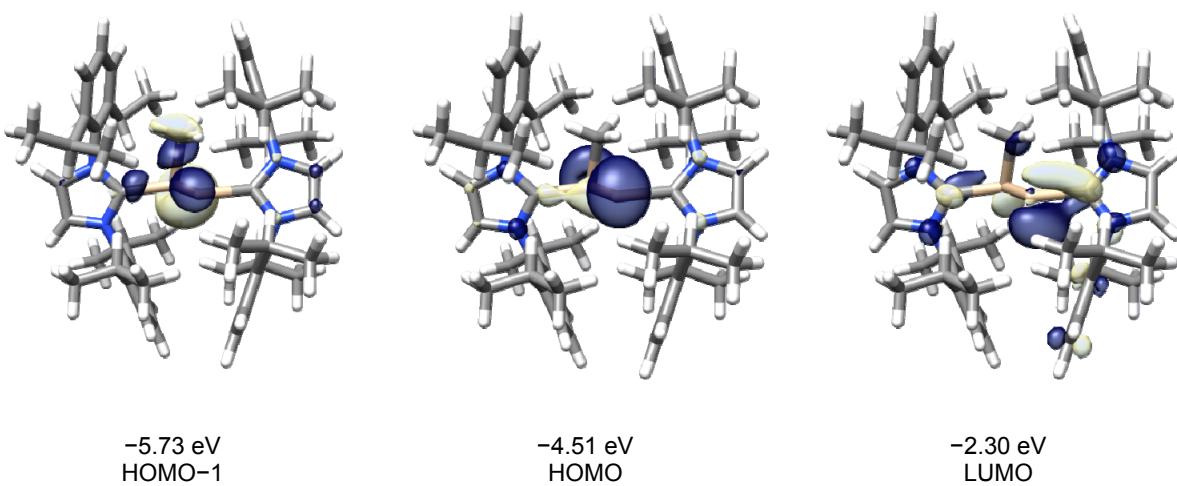


Figure S42. Selected Kohn-Sham orbitals (B97-D3/I) of $(\mathbf{1}\mathbf{Me}^+)_\text{calc}$ and their corresponding energy eigenvalues; isosurface value: 0.05 e bohr^{-3} .

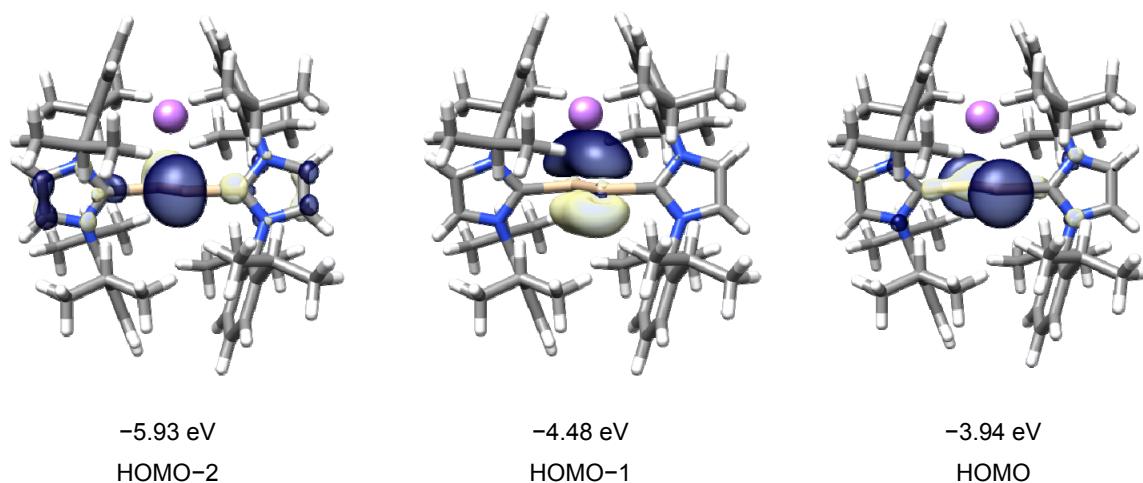


Figure S43. Selected Kohn-Sham orbitals (B97-D3/I) of $\mathbf{1}\mathbf{Li}^+_\text{calc}$ and their corresponding energy eigenvalues; isosurface value: 0.05 e bohr^{-3} .

5.3 Results of the natural bond orbital (NBO) and natural resonance theory analysis of $\mathbf{1}_{\text{calc}}$, $\mathbf{1H^+}_{\text{calc}}$, $(\mathbf{1H^+})^{\text{TS}}_{\text{calc}}$, $(\mathbf{1H^+})'_{\text{calc}}$, $\mathbf{1Me^+}_{\text{calc}}$, $(\mathbf{1Me^+})'_{\text{calc}}$ and $\mathbf{1Li^+}_{\text{calc}}$

Table S7: Selected results of the natural bond orbital (NBO) and natural resonance theory (NRT) analyses of $\mathbf{1}_{\text{calc}}$ (B97-D3/I). Atom numbering of the experimental structure was taken over in the calculated structure (see Ref. [S1]).^[a]

NBO analysis				NPA partial charges ^[b]		NRT analysis ^[c]			
occ.	pol. [%]	hyb.	WBI			tot / cov / ionic			
$\sigma(\text{Si}-\text{C1})$	1.94	21.4 (Si)	$\text{sp}^{8.04}$ (Si)	C1	0.06	$\text{Si1}-\text{C1}$	1.13 / 0.43 / 0.70		
		78.6 (C1)	$\text{sp}^{1.17}$ (C1)	$\Sigma(\text{NHC})$	0.10				
$\sigma(\text{Si}\#-\text{C1}\#)$	1.94	21.4 (Si#)	$\text{sp}^{8.04}$ (Si#)	C1#	0.06	$\text{Si}\#-\text{C1}\#$	1.13 / 0.43 / 0.70		
		78.6 (C1#)	$\text{sp}^{1.17}$ (C1#)	$\Sigma(\text{NHC})$	0.10				
$\sigma(\text{Si}-\text{Si}\#)$	1.75	50.0 (Si)	$\text{sp}^{5.35}$ (Si)	Si	-0.10	$\text{Si}-\text{Si}\#$	1.86 / 1.85 / 0.01		
		50.0 (Si#)	$\text{sp}^{5.35}$ (Si#)						
$\pi(\text{Si}-\text{Si}\#)$	1.85	50.0 (Si)	p (Si)	Si#	-0.10				
		50.0 (Si#)	p (Si#)						
n(Si)	1.82		$\text{sp}^{0.36}$						
n(Si#)	1.82		$\text{sp}^{0.36}$						

[a]: occ.: occupancy, pol.: polarization, hyb.: hybridization, WBI: Wiberg bond index, tot / cov / ionic: total bond order / covalent bond order / ionic bond order. [b]: Partial charges obtained by natural population analysis (NPA). [c]: A local NRT analysis was carried out including the Si, N, C1 and C1# atoms.

Table S8: Selected results of the natural bond orbital (NBO) and natural resonance theory (NRT) analyses of $\mathbf{1H^+}_{\text{calc}}$ (B97-D3/I). Atom numbering of the experimental structure was taken over in the calculated structure.^[a]

NBO analysis				NPA partial charges ^[b]		NRT analysis ^[c]			
occ.	pol. [%]	hyb.	WBI			tot / cov / ionic			
$\sigma(\text{Si1}-\text{C1})$	1.96	25.4 (Si1)	$\text{sp}^{3.80}$ (Si1)	C1	0.03	$\text{Si1}-\text{C1}$	1.09 / 0.51 / 0.58		
		74.6 (C1)	$\text{sp}^{1.36}$ (C1)	$\Sigma(\text{NHC})$	0.33				
$\sigma(\text{Si2}-\text{C28})$	1.94	20.5 (Si2)	$\text{sp}^{9.71}$ (Si2)	C28	0.02	$\text{Si2}-\text{C28}$	1.09 / 0.41 / 0.68		
		79.5 (C28)	$\text{sp}^{1.27}$ (C28)	$\Sigma(\text{NHC})$	0.24				
$\sigma(\text{Si1}-\text{H1})$	1.98	43.7 (Si1)	$\text{sp}^{2.17}$ (Si1)	H1	-0.14	$\text{Si1}-\text{H1}$	0.99 / 0.87 / 0.12		
		56.3 (H1)	s (H1)						
$\sigma(\text{Si1}-\text{Si2})$	1.92	61.5 (Si1)	$\text{sp}^{1.10}$ (Si1)	Si1	0.31	$\text{Si1}-\text{Si2}$	1.85 / 1.44 / 0.41		
		38.5 (Si2)	$\text{sp}^{6.32}$ (Si2)						
$\pi(\text{Si1}-\text{Si2})$	1.73	60.4 (Si1)	p (Si1)	Si2	0.26				
		39.6 (Si2)	p (Si2)						
n(Si2)	1.84		$\text{sp}^{0.29}$						

[a]: occ.: occupancy, pol.: polarization, hyb.: hybridization, WBI: Wiberg bond index, tot / cov / ionic: total bond order / covalent bond order / ionic bond order. [b]: Partial charges obtained by natural population analysis (NPA). [c]: A local NRT analysis was carried out including the Si1, Si2, H1, N, C1 and C28 atoms.

Table S9: Selected results of the natural bond orbital (NBO) and natural resonance theory (NRT) analyses of $(\text{H}^+)^{\text{calc}}$ (B97-D3/I). Atom numbering of the experimental structure was taken over in the calculated structure.^[a]

NBO analysis				NPA partial charges ^[b]		NRT analysis ^[c]	
	occ.	pol. [%]	hyb.			tot / cov / ionic	
$\sigma(\text{Si1}-\text{C1})$	1.94	20.6 (Si1) 79.5 (C1)	$\text{sp}^{8.77}$ (Si) $\text{sp}^{1.26}$ (C1)	0.75	C1 $\Sigma(\text{NHC})$	0.04 0.26	$\text{Si1}-\text{C1}$ 1.06 / 0.40 / 0.66
$\sigma(\text{Si2}-\text{C28})$	1.94	20.7 (Si2) 79.3 (C28)	$\text{sp}^{8.79}$ (Si2) $\text{sp}^{1.26}$ (C28)	0.75	C28 $\Sigma(\text{NHC})$	0.04 0.26	$\text{Si2}-\text{C28}$ 1.05 / 0.40 / 0.65
2e3c($\text{Si1}-\text{H}-\text{Si2}$)	1.94	19.8 (Si1) 20.0 (Si2) 60.2 (H)	$\text{sp}^{26.66}$ (Si1) $\text{sp}^{29.49}$ (Si2) s (H)	0.45 0.46	H	-0.19	$\text{Si1}-\text{H}$ 0.46 / 0.20 / 0.25 $\text{Si2}-\text{H}$ 0.46 / 0.21 / 0.26
$\sigma(\text{Si1}-\text{Si2})$	1.77	50.0 (Si1) 50.0 (Si2)	$\text{sp}^{8.38}$ (Si1) $\text{sp}^{8.38}$ (Si2)	1.01	Si1 Si2	0.34 0.33	$\text{Si1}-\text{Si2}$ 0.96 / 0.89 / 0.07
n(Si1)	1.87		$\text{sp}^{0.30}$				
n(Si2)	1.88		$\text{sp}^{0.31}$				

[a]: occ.: occupancy, pol.: polarization, hyb.: hybridization, WBI: Wiberg bond index, tot / cov / ionic: total bond order / covalent bond order / ionic bond order. [b]: Partial charges obtained by natural population analysis (NPA). [c]: A local NRT analysis was carried out including the Si1, Si2, H, N, C1 and C28 atoms.

Table S10: Selected results of the natural bond orbital (NBO) and natural resonance theory (NRT) analyses of 1Me^{calc} (B97-D3/I). Atom numbering of the experimental structure was taken over in the calculated structure.^[a]

NBO analysis				NPA partial charges ^[b]		NRT analysis ^[c]	
	occ.	pol. [%]	hyb.			tot / cov / ionic	
$\sigma(\text{Si1}-\text{C1})$	1.95	24.6 (Si1) 75.4 (C1)	$\text{sp}^{3.76}$ (Si1) $\text{sp}^{1.36}$ (C1)	0.86	C1 $\Sigma(\text{NHC})$	0.01 0.30	$\text{Si1}-\text{C1}$ 1.12 / 0.49 / 0.62
$\sigma(\text{Si2}-\text{C28})$	1.94	20.6 (Si2) 79.4 (C28)	$\text{sp}^{9.65}$ (Si2) $\text{sp}^{1.24}$ (C28)	0.77	C28 $\Sigma(\text{NHC})$	0.03 0.23	$\text{Si2}-\text{C28}$ 1.10 / 0.41 / 0.69
$\sigma(\text{Si1}-\text{C56})$	1.98	30.3 (Si1) 69.7 (C56)	$\text{sp}^{2.15}$ (Si1) $\text{sp}^{2.44}$ (C56)	0.84	C56 CH_3	-1.10 -0.38	$\text{Si1}-\text{C56}$ 0.99 / 0.60 / 0.39
$\sigma(\text{Si1}-\text{Si2})$	1.91	59.9 (Si1) 40.1 (Si2)	$\text{sp}^{1.10}$ (Si1) $\text{sp}^{5.94}$ (Si2)	1.62	Si1	0.65	$\text{Si1}-\text{Si2}$ 1.84 / 1.51 / 0.33
$\pi(\text{Si1}-\text{Si2})$	1.71	57.8 (Si1) 42.2 (Si2)	p (Si1) p (Si2)		Si2	0.20	
n(Si2)	1.82		$\text{sp}^{0.30}$				

[a]: occ.: occupancy, pol.: polarization, hyb.: hybridization, WBI: Wiberg bond index, tot / cov / ionic: total bond order / covalent bond order / ionic bond order. [b]: Partial charges obtained by natural population analysis (NPA). [c]: A local NRT analysis was carried out including the Si1, Si2, C56, N, C1 and C28 atoms.

Table S11: Selected results of the natural bond orbital (NBO) and natural resonance theory (NRT) analyses of $(\mathbf{1Me}^+)_\text{calc}$ (B97-D3/I). Atom numbering of the experimental structure was taken over in the calculated structure.^[a]

NBO analysis				NPA partial charges ^[b]		NRT analysis ^[c]	
occ.	pol. [%]	hyb.	WBI			tot / cov / ionic	
$\sigma(\text{Si1-C1})$	1.94	22.3 (Si1)	$\text{sp}^{8.66}$ (Si1)	C1	0.09	Si1-C1	1.11 / 0.44 / 0.67
		77.7 (C1)	$\text{sp}^{1.25}$ (C1)	$\Sigma(\text{NHC})$	0.28		
$\sigma(\text{Si2-C28})$	1.95	21.3 (Si2)	$\text{sp}^{8.29}$ (Si2)	C28	0.04	Si2-C28	1.09 / 0.42 / 0.67
		78.7 (C28)	$\text{sp}^{1.27}$ (C28)	$\Sigma(\text{NHC})$	0.25		
$\sigma(\text{Si1-C56})$	1.84	23.6 (Si1)	$\text{sp}^{10.06}$ (Si1)	C56	-1.12	Si1-C56	0.92 / 0.44 / 0.49
		76.4 (C56)	$\text{sp}^{2.29}$ (C56)	CH_3	-0.37		
$\sigma(\text{Si1-Si2})$	1.78	49.6 (Si1)	$\text{sp}^{10.08}$ (Si1)	Si1	0.35	Si1-Si2	0.90 / 0.87 / 0.03
		50.4 (Si2)	$\text{sp}^{9.79}$ (Si2)	Si2	0.49		
n(Si1)	1.82		$\text{sp}^{0.39}$				
n(Si2)	1.87		$\text{sp}^{0.28}$				
LV ^[d] (Si2)	0.26		$\text{sp}^{44.91}$				

[a]: occ.: occupancy, pol.: polarization, hyb.: hybridization, WBI: Wiberg bond index, tot / cov / ionic: total bond order / covalent bond order / ionic bond order. [b]: Partial charges obtained by natural population analysis (NPA). [c]: A local NRT analysis was carried out including the Si1, Si2, C56, N, C1 and C28 atoms. [d]: LV = lone vacancy.

Table S12: Selected results of the natural bond orbital (NBO) and natural resonance theory (NRT) analyses of $\mathbf{1Li}^+_\text{calc}$ (B97-D3/I). Atom numbering of the experimental structure was taken over in the calculated structure.^[a]

NBO analysis				NPA partial charges ^[b]		NRT analysis ^[c]	
occ.	pol. [%]	hyb.	WBI			tot / cov / ionic	
$\sigma(\text{Si1-C1})$	1.94	21.6 (Si1)	$\text{sp}^{8.71}$ (Si1)	C1	0.06	Si1-C1	1.12 / 0.43 / 0.69
		78.4 (C1)	$\text{sp}^{1.20}$ (C1)	$\Sigma(\text{NHC})$	0.19		
$\sigma(\text{Si2-C28})$	1.94	21.7 (Si2)	$\text{sp}^{8.59}$ (Si2)	C28	0.06	Si2-C28	1.12 / 0.43 / 0.69
		78.3 (C28)	$\text{sp}^{1.20}$ (C28)	$\Sigma(\text{NHC})$	0.19		
$\sigma(\text{Si1-Si2})$	1.77	50.0 (Si1)	$\text{sp}^{6.33}$ (Si1)	Si1	-0.12	Si1-Si2	1.88 / 1.87 / 0.01
		50.0 (Si2)	$\text{sp}^{6.45}$ (Si2)	1.75	Si2	-0.11	
$\pi(\text{Si1-Si2})$	1.89	50.2 (Si1)	p (Si1)				
		49.8 (Si2)	p (Si2)				
LV ^[d] (Li)	0.13	s		Li	0.85		
n(Si1)	1.79		$\text{sp}^{0.32}$				
n(Si2)	1.79		$\text{sp}^{0.32}$				

[a]: occ.: occupancy, pol.: polarization, hyb.: hybridization, WBI: Wiberg bond index, tot / cov / ionic: total bond order / covalent bond order / ionic bond order. [b]: Partial charges obtained by natural population analysis (NPA). [c]: A local NRT analysis was carried out including the Si1, Si2, Li, N, C1 and C28 atoms. [d]: LV = lone vacancy.

Table S13: Selected results of the second order perturbation theory analysis of the Fock matrix in the NBO basis of $\mathbf{1Li}_{\text{calc}}^+$ (B97-D3/L). Atom numbering of the experimental structure was taken over in the calculated structure.^[a]

Donor NBO	Acceptor NBO	Interaction energy [kcal/mol]
n(Si1)	LV Li	69.8
n(Si2)	LV Li	68.6
$\sigma(\text{Si1-C1})$	LV Li	17.6
$\sigma(\text{Si2-C2})$	LV Li	17.6
$\pi(\text{Si1-Si2})$	LV Li	23.8
$\sigma(\text{C4-C5})$	LV Li	11.3
$\sigma(\text{C5-C6})$	LV Li	10.5
$\sigma(\text{C6-C7})$	LV Li	7.53
$\sigma(\text{C7-C8})$	LV Li	7.95
$\sigma(\text{C8-C9})$	LV Li	10.9
$\sigma(\text{C4-C9})$	LV Li	12.1
$\sigma(\text{C43-C44})$	LV Li	12.1
$\sigma(\text{C44-C45})$	LV Li	10.9
$\sigma(\text{C45-C46})$	LV Li	7.95
$\sigma(\text{C46-C47})$	LV Li	7.53
$\sigma(\text{C47-C48})$	LV Li	10.5
$\sigma(\text{C43-C48})$	LV Li	11.3

[a]: LV = lone vacancy.

Table S14: Major resonance structures $\mathbf{1}_{\text{calc}}$ and their percentage contribution to the resonance hybrid according to NRT theory (four other structures with percentage contributions <6.5 % were found, which are not depicted); R = dipp.

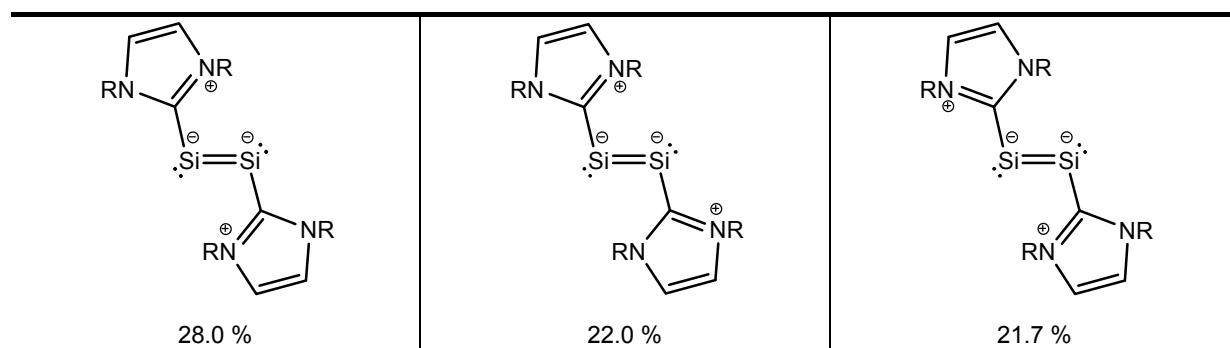


Table S15: Major resonance structures $\mathbf{1H}_{\text{calc}}^+$ and their percentage contribution to the resonance hybrid according to NRT theory (three other structures with percentage contributions <9.5 % were found, which are not depicted); R = dipp.

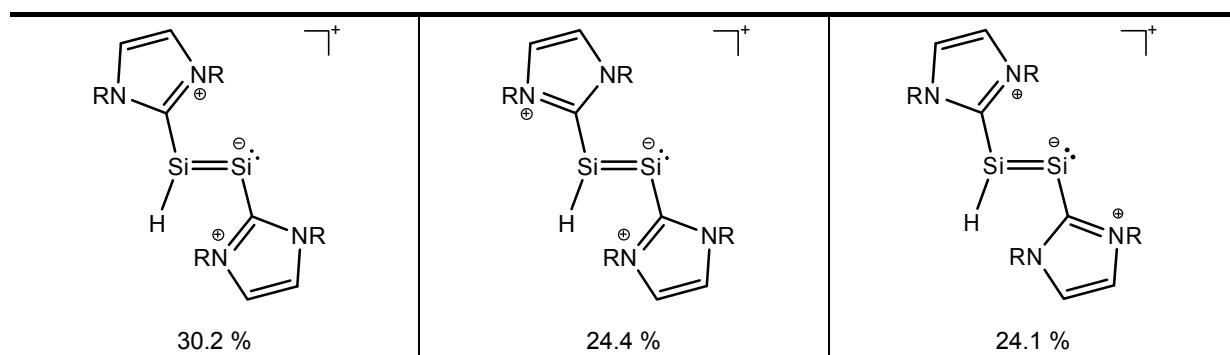


Table S16: Major resonance structures ($\mathbf{1H}^+$)_{calc} and their percentage contribution to the resonance hybrid according to NRT theory (nine other structures with percentage contributions <3.9 % were found, which are not depicted); R = dipp.

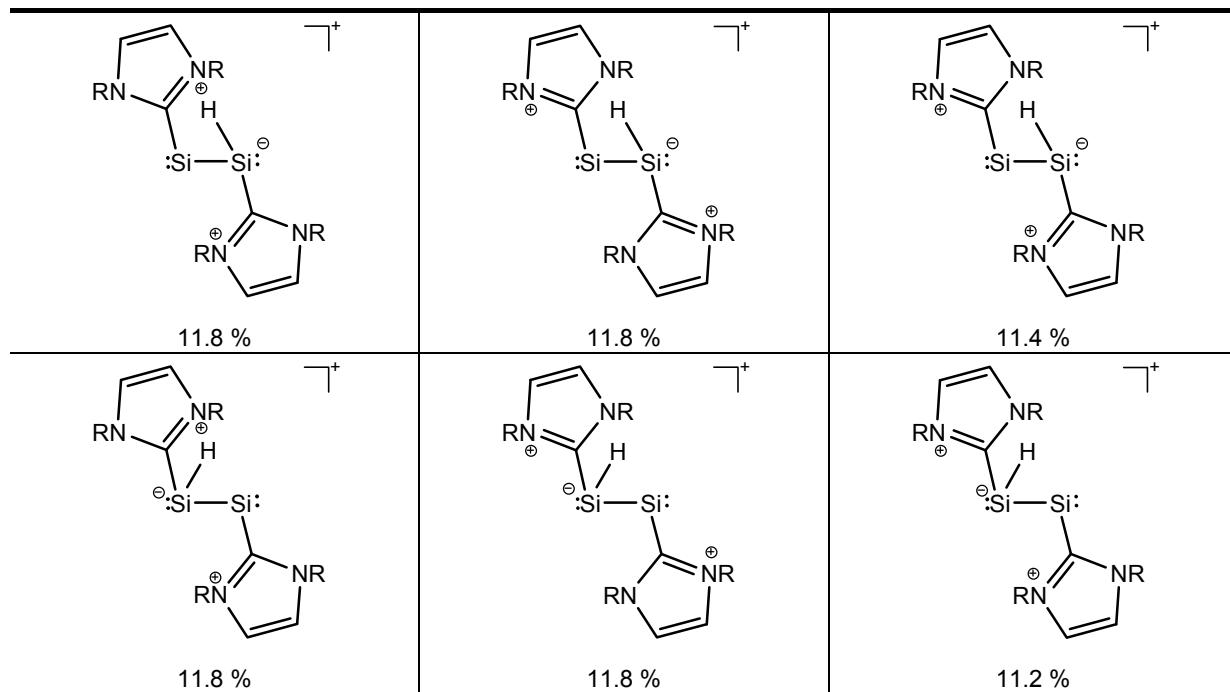


Table S17: Major resonance structures $\mathbf{1Me}^+$ _{calc} and their percentage contribution to the resonance hybrid according to NRT theory (three other structures with percentage contributions <12.1 % were found, which are not depicted); R = dipp.

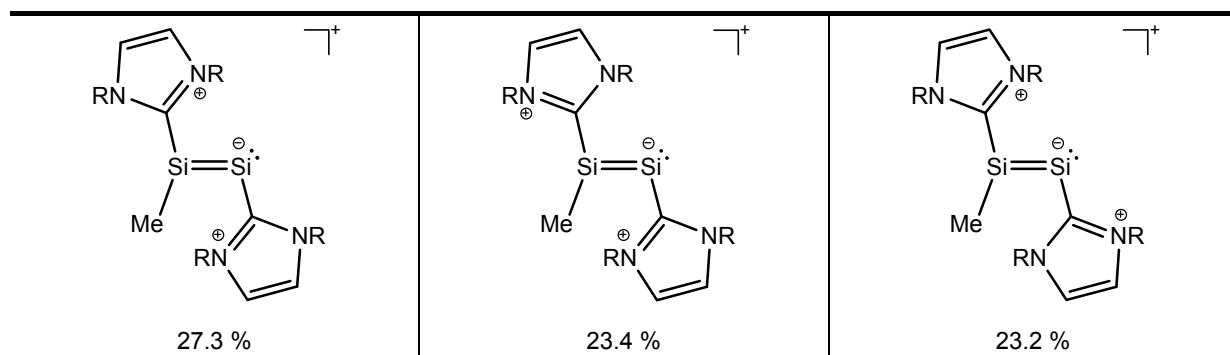


Table S18: Major resonance structures $(\mathbf{1Me}^+)^{\text{calc}}$ and their percentage contribution to the resonance hybrid according to NRT theory (seven other structures with percentage contributions <6.5 % were found, which are not depicted); R = dipp.

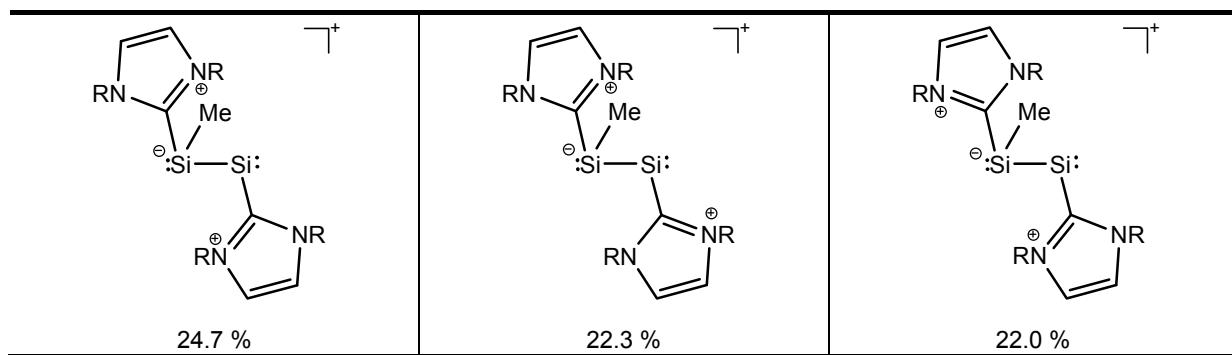
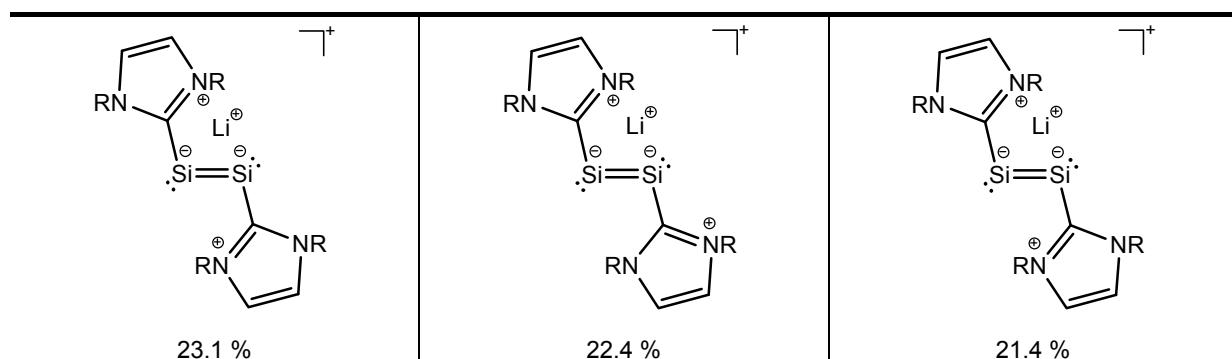


Table S19: Major resonance structures $\mathbf{1Li}^+_{\text{calc}}$ and their percentage contribution to the resonance hybrid according to NRT theory (four other structures with percentage contributions <7.4 % were found, which are not depicted); R = dipp.



5.4 Cartesian coordinates [Å] and SCF energies of the calculated structures of $\mathbf{1}_{\text{calc}}$, $\mathbf{1H}^+_{\text{calc}}$, $(\mathbf{1H}^+)^{\text{TS}}_{\text{calc}}$, $(\mathbf{1H}^+)''_{\text{calc}}$, $\mathbf{1Me}^+_{\text{calc}}$, $(\mathbf{1Me}^+)''_{\text{calc}}$ and $\mathbf{1Li}^+_{\text{calc}}$

 $\mathbf{1}_{\text{calc}}$ Energy: -2896.370660910749 E_H

C	1.705477	0.143220	1.578496
C	-1.705529	-0.143214	-1.578528
C	0.266471	1.427300	4.289666
C	-0.266530	-1.427441	-4.289156
C	0.591062	0.838589	-3.803475
C	-0.590995	-0.838657	3.803487
C	-0.390912	-2.202813	3.169696
C	0.390922	2.202946	-3.170098
C	0.776197	3.763965	3.465220
C	-0.777189	-3.765097	-3.467552
C	0.388351	0.163979	3.686472
C	-0.388427	-0.163884	-3.686393
C	1.700028	2.871786	-2.749533
C	-1.700134	-2.871859	2.749820
C	0.417151	-3.120863	4.105371
C	-0.416368	3.120956	-4.106489
C	0.886801	-1.675659	-5.042474
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C	1.331235	2.502019	4.143491
C	-1.331819	-2.501688	-4.143321
C	1.730742	0.534139	-4.553777
C	-1.730496	-0.534571	4.554192
C	1.983643	2.821749	5.498311
C	-1.986020	-2.818812	-5.497899
C	1.876528	-0.707374	-5.169406
C	-1.876277	0.706721	5.170254
C	2.799543	-0.463800	3.493788
C	-2.799548	0.464442	-3.493643
C	2.622425	-2.825051	-1.956415
C	-2.622253	2.824313	1.957647
C	3.153292	-2.171665	-0.678944
C	-3.152984	2.171326	0.679907
C	3.714521	-0.457359	2.492210
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C	3.416543	3.777172	0.543514
C	-3.416022	-3.777068	-0.544765
C	3.690509	0.198485	0.082799
C	-3.690357	-0.198580	-0.082689
C	3.741949	-0.792419	-0.913649
C	-3.741698	0.792005	0.914124
C	4.189437	2.534792	1.010905
C	-4.189209	-2.534606	-1.011419
C	4.179108	-3.085696	0.017090
C	-4.178685	3.085655	-0.015924
C	4.261132	1.473173	-0.074568
C	-4.260811	-1.473359	0.074420
C	4.390390	-0.464369	-2.108113
C	-4.389826	0.463473	2.108621
C	4.910271	1.745535	-1.284394
C	-4.909571	-1.746229	1.284321
C	4.970625	0.788977	-2.291440
C	-4.969818	-0.790003	2.291694
C	5.592035	2.895743	1.526970
C	-5.591894	-2.895472	-1.527319
H	-0.384446	-3.520894	-2.476567
H	0.385142	3.517992	2.473992
H	-0.131929	-3.301014	5.037361
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**5.5 Cartesian coordinates [Å] and SCF energies of the calculated structures of
 $[(\text{NHC}^{\text{Me}})(\text{Me})\text{Si}=\text{Si}(\text{NHC}^{\text{Me}})]^+$, $(\text{NHC}^{\text{Me}})(\text{Me})\text{Si}=\text{SiMe}$, $\text{Me}_2\text{Si}=\text{Si}(\text{NHC}^{\text{Me}})$,
 $[\text{Me}_2\text{Si}=\text{SiMe}]^-$, $\text{Me}_2\text{Si}=\text{PMe}$ and $[\text{Me}_2\text{P}=\text{PMe}]^+$ ($\text{NHC}^{\text{Me}} = \text{C}[\text{N}(\text{Me})\text{CH}]_2$)**

$[(\text{NHC}^{\text{Me}})(\text{Me})\text{Si}=\text{Si}(\text{NHC}^{\text{Me}})]^+$

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$(\text{NHC}^{\text{Me}})(\text{Me})\text{Si}=\text{SiMe}$

Energy: -963.505757125125 E_H

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C	2.303930	-3.632931	-0.380445
H	2.139095	-4.835866	1.477842
H	3.136613	-3.995006	-0.962742
N	0.731678	-3.236385	1.115079
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Me₂Si=Si(NHC^{Me})Energy: -963.525467746306 E_H

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H	3.031356	-4.133672	-1.145200
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H	2.512442	1.309044	-0.222381
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C	0.433540	-2.547599	2.359792
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[Me₂Si=SiMe]⁻Energy: -698.698498749281 E_H

Si	0.012414	1.392027	0.196756
Si	-0.539424	-0.747467	0.175790
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H	2.431047	1.719447	1.041224
H	2.394029	0.195429	0.135134
H	2.399094	1.748622	-0.721428
C	-2.365648	-1.362113	0.200984
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Me₂Si=PMeEnergy: -750.577152623410 E_H

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C	2.103671	1.199351	0.153790
H	2.257476	1.883303	0.997833
H	2.708088	0.303606	0.318604
H	2.472494	1.702068	-0.749393
C	-0.766899	2.352178	-0.233678
H	-0.667845	3.004173	0.643488
H	-0.442751	2.928159	-1.109783
H	-1.823171	2.095022	-0.358201
H	0.579891	-2.861646	1.081742
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[Me₂P=PMe]⁺Energy: -802.202980964709 E_H

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P	0.314992	0.811978	-0.024346
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C	2.074938	1.210542	0.142862
H	2.201809	1.894927	0.989185
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