Table S-1. Crystallization results
A 'no' entry means either that the crystals obtained were of the starting materials or else that the crystal quality was too poor to allow their

| Solvent | ORTHO | META-I | META-II | PARA-I | PARA-II | PARA-III | PARA-IV |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| acetonitrile | prisms | needles |  | needles |  | needles |  |
| acetone | needles | needles |  |  |  | needles |  |
| benzene | needles | prisms plates | needles prisms |  |  | needles plates prisms |  |
| carbon tetrachloride | no | needles | needles | ------ | --no--- | ------- |  |
| chloroform | plates | ----no |  |  | needles | plates |  |
| methylene chloride | no | prisms plates |  |  | prisms <br> plates <br> needles | needles plates | needle |
| diethyl ether | no | needles |  |  | -no- | ----- |  |

Table S-2 o-TDB/HMB unit cells ${ }^{\text {a }}$

| sample | solvent | temp | a | b | c | $\alpha$ | $\beta$ | $\gamma$ | V | type | note |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1990 | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 183 | 15.825(5) | 9.142(5) | 13.881(9) |  | 102.86(5) |  | 1958 | I | a |
| 1992a | $\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{2} \mathrm{CO}$ | 189 | 15.85(3) | 9.15(8) | 13.85(2) |  | 103.5(1) |  | 1951 | I |  |
| 1992b | $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ | 189 | 15.746(11) | 9.131(3) | 13.846(8) |  | 102.67 |  | 1947 | I |  |
| 1992c | $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}$ | 188 | 15.779(14) | 9.144 (11) | 13.826(18) |  | 103.1(3) |  | 1943 | I |  |
| 1992d | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 189 | 15.820(5) | 9.132(3) | 13.896(16) |  | 103.39(6) |  | 1953 | I |  |
| 1992e | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 297 | 15.861(5) | 9.196 (3) | 14.097(4) |  | 102.10(2) |  | 2010 | I |  |
| 2001 | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 173 | 15.824(3) | 9.150(2) | 13.894(2) |  | 102.88(1) |  | 1961 | I | a,b |

a A structure determination was made from these data.
b. Reported in Table 1.

Table S-3. m-TDB/HMB unit cells

| sample | solvent | temp | a | b | c | $\alpha$ | $\beta$ | $\gamma$ | V | type | note |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1990a | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 187 | 7.513(3) | 8.615(3) | 9.029(2) | 113.30(2) | 113.30(2) | 91.92(3) | 476(1) | I | a |
| 1990b | " | 297 | 7.623(8) | 9.009(2) | 9.066(7) | 117.50(5) | 110.56(9) | 92.84(9) | 500(1) | I | b |
| 1990c | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 297 | 7.598(4) | 8.997(4) | 9.093(4) | 118.55(3) | 109.18(4) | 94.45(4) | 495(1) | I | c |
| 1990d | " | 187 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | I | c, d |
| 1997a | $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ | 174 | 8.960(1) | 14.065(1) | 15.941(1) | 83.43(1) | 88.79(1) | 76.43(1) | 1940(1) | II | a, e |
| 1997b | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 174 | 7.541(4) | 8.939(11) | 9.068(8) | 118.46(5) | 109.68(6) | 94.83(9) | 483(1) | I |  |
| 1997c | $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ | 223 | 8.999(1) | 14.126(1) | 16.012(1) | 83.41(1) | 88.85(1) | 76.48(1) | 1966(1) | II | a |
| 1997d | $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ | 297 | 7.658(32) | 9.003(8) | 9.132(8) | 118.56(8) | 109.61(16) | 94.14(17) | 500(3) | I |  |
| 1998a | $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ | 297 | 7.601 | 9.042 | 9.131 | 118.70 | 109.02 | 94.64 | 499 | I | f,g |
|  |  |  | 7.616 | 9.023 | 9.151 | 118.38 | 108.97 | 94.84 | 501 | I |  |
| 1998b | $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ | 297 | 7.643 | 9.015 | 9.132 | 118.58 | 109.26 | 94.36 | 500 | I | f |
| 1998c | $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ | 297 | 9.002(2) | 14.325(3) | 15.996(3) | 83.01(2) | 88.92(1) | 75.97(3) | 1986(1) | II | h |
| 2001a | $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ | 174 | 8.945 | 14.021 | 15.887 | 83.52 | 88.80 | 76.54 | 1925 | II | f |
| 2001b | $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ | 297 | 7.613(3) | 9.003(5) | 9.109)4) | 118.51)3) | 109.18(4) | 94.43(6) | 497 | I |  |
| 2001c | $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ | 174 | 7.529(1) | 8.950(1) | 9.051(1) | 118.43(1) | 109.41(1) | 95.14(1) | 483 | I | a,i |
| 2001d | $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ | 297 | 9.012(8) | 14.320(13) | 16.011(13) | 83.09(11) | 88.90(9) | 75.94(10) | 1990 | II |  |
| 2001e | " | 174 | 8.922 | 14.051 | 15.909 | 83.37 | 88.67 | 76.33 | 1925 | II | f |


| 2001f | $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ | 297 | 9.091 | 14.278 | 15.992 | 82.98 | 89.20 | 75.49 | 1994 | II | f,j |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 8.966 | 14.250 | 16.001 | 83.17 | 88.71 | 75.47 | 1965 | II |  |
|  |  |  | 9.042 | 14.309 | 15.985 | 83.13 | 89.14 | 75.67 | 1989 | II |  |
| 2001g | $\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{2} \mathrm{O}$ | 174 | 7.538 | 8.944 | 9.047 | 118.31 | 109.50 | 95.26 | 483 | I | f,k |
|  |  |  | 7.538 | 8.913 | 9.072 | 118.33 | 109.50 | 95.13 | 481 | I |  |
| 2001h | $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ | 174 | 8.926 | 14.031 | 15.918 | 83.49 | 88.77 | 76.47 | 1926 | II | f |
| 2001i | $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ | 174 | 8.941(1) | 14.025(2) | 15.912(2) | 83.45(1) | 88.81(1) | 76.49(1) | 1927 | II | a |
| 2001j | $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ | 174 | 8.926 | 14.031 | 15.918 | 83.50 | 88.77 | 76.47 | 1926 | II | f |
| 2001k | $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ | 173 | 8.955(1) | 14.064(2) | 15.939(2) | 83.40(1) | 88.79(1) | 76.46(1) | 1939 | II | a,i,l |
| 20011 | " | 174 | 8.951(1) | 14.045(2) | 15.928(2) | 83.41(1) | 88.78(1) | 76.48(1) | 1934 | II | a, 1 |
| 2001m | " | 174 | 7.543(1) | 8.959(2) | 9.057(2) | 118.36(2) | 109.40(2) | 95.20(2) | 483 | I | a,m |

a A structure determination was made from these data.
b A quotation mark for the solvent means that the previous crystal has been remeasured.
c Oscillation photographs were taken about all three axes. There was no indication of a larger cell.
There were also no apparent disorder streaks.
d The unit cell was not determined,
e This is not the cell reported in the main body of the paper. It is the reduced cell which was routinely
found by both SMART and GEMINI. The cell in the main body was chosen to emphasize the similarity between I and II. It is obtained from the
Niggli cell with the matrix $0,-1,0 /-1,0,0 / 1,0,-1$.
f. If no su's are given, the cell could not be found by SMART but was found by GEMINI

This crystal was twinned with the two fragments related by rotation of $180^{\circ}$ around $1,7,-7$ in reciprocal space.
These data were carefully examined for twinning. All of the reflections could be accounted for with the reported, untwinned, cell.
Reported in Table 1.
This was a trilling. The rotation axes were not found.
This was a twin. The fragments were related by $180^{\circ}$ rotation about 010 in reciprocal space.
Two data sets were collected on this crystal, first on the Bruker and then on the Siemens.
Only those reflectionsfrom 20011 that fit the META-I cell were used in the solution and refinement.

Table S-4 p-TDB/HMB unit cells

| sample | solvent | temp | a | b | c | $\alpha$ | $\beta$ | $\gamma$ | V | type | note |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1989a | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 189 | 7.513(3) | 8.615(3) | 9.029(2) | 114.24(3) | 113.30(2) | 91.92(3) | 476 | I | a,b |
| 1992a | $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ | 297 | 7.622(4) | 9.007(3) | 9.076(7) | 117.47(5) | 110.65(5) | 92.81(3) | 500 | II | a,c, |
| 1992b | " | 263 | 7.605(3) | 8.968(3) | 9.045(9) | 117.22(6) | 110.96(6) | 92.87(3) | 495 | II | d |
| 1992c | " | 233 | 7.583(5) | 8.942(4) | $9.051(14)$ | 117.16(9) | 111.20(8) | 92.70(5) | 492 | II |  |
| 1992d | " | 203 | 7.571(4) | 8.921(3) | 9.008(8) | 116.92(5) | 111.61(5) | 92.58(4) | 488 | II |  |
| 1992e | " | 177 | 7.552(3) | 8.899(2) | 8.993(6) | 116.76(4) | 111.90(4) | 92.36(3) | 485 | II | a |
| 1992f | $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ | 297 | $9.745(5)$ | 15.407(5) | 7.545(7) |  | 116.84(5) |  | 1011 | III | a |
| 1992g | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 177 | 7.528(7) | 8.660(8) | 9.064(13) | 114.32(10) | 112.93(10) | 92.30(8) | 481 | I | a, e |
| 1992h | " | 189 | 7.533 (7) | 8.670(8) | 9.062(13) | 114.32(9) | 112.89(10 | 92.35(7) | 482 | I |  |
| 1192 i | " | 201 | 7.547(5) | 8.676(7) | 9.066(11) | 114.24(8) | 112.92(8) | 92.46(6) | 484 | I |  |
| 1992j | " | 215 | 7.556(5) | 8.684(6) | 9.067(10) | 114.19(7) | 112.89(7) | 92.58(5) | 485 | I |  |
| 1992k | " | 227 | 7.565(5) | 8.694(5) | 9.072(9) | 114.17(6) | 112.85(7) | 92.65(5) | 486 | I |  |
| 19921 | " | 241 | 7.581(4) | 8.696(4) | 9.084(7) | 114.04(5) | 113.01(6) | 92.77(4) | 488 | I |  |
| 1992m | " | 268 | 7.596(6) | 8.726(3) | 9.092(4) | 114.00(3) | 112.88(5) | 93.00(4) | 491 | I | f |
| 1992n | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 297 | 9.747(4) | 15.416(5) | 7.548(2) |  | 116.80(5) |  | 1012 | III | g |
| 19920 | " | 173 | 7.541(4) | 8.666(7) | 9.076(7) | 114.13(3) | 113.20(5) | 92.29(5) | 483 | 1 | g |


| 1992p | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 297 | $9.752(6)$ | 15.424(6) | 7.558(3) |  | 116.87(3) |  | 1014 | III | h |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1993a | $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ | 297 | 7.623(2) | 9.006(2) | 9.067(2) | 117.46(3) | 110.63(3) | 92.84(3) | 500 | II | a |
| 1997a | $\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{2} \mathrm{CO}$ |  | 9.769(10 | 15.428(15 | 7.549(9) |  | 116.93(11) |  | 1014 | III |  |
| 1997b | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 297 | $9.754(5)$ | 15.409(14) | 7.554(4) |  | 116.94(4) |  | 1012 | III |  |
| 1997c | $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ | 297 | 7.590(5) | 9.130(6) | 15.612(18) | 85.33(4) | 81.41(6) | 73.13(14) | 1023 | IV | i |
| 1997d | " | 174 | 7.498(1) | 9.037(1) | 15.454(1) | 85.08(1) | 81.80(1) | 71.17(1) | 980 | IV | a,b,i |
| 1998a | $\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{2} \mathrm{CO}$ | 297 | $9.744(5)$ | 15.406(5) | 7.556(3) |  | 116.90(3) |  | 1012 | III |  |
| 1998b | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 297 | 9.751(2) | 15.430(6) | 7.555(2) |  | 116.83 |  | 1014 | III |  |
| 1998c | $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6}$ | 297 | 9.757(2) | 15.414(5) | 7.560(2) |  | 116.90(2) |  | 1014 | III |  |
| 1998d | $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ | 297 | 7.633(4) | 9.009(3) | 9.069(6) | 117.46(2) | 110.83(4) | 92.60(4) | 500 | II | j |
| 1998e | $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ | 297 | 7.630(6) | 9.008(6) | 9.071(6) | 117.44(4) | 110.79(6) | 92.61(7) | 501 | II | j |
| 1998 f | $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ | 297 | 7.633(2) | 9.019(3) | 9.066(3) | 117.26(2) | 110.88(2) | 92.71(3) | 502 | II | j |
| 1998 g | $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ | 297 | 7.639(4) | 9.004(5) | 9.066(5) | 117.44(3) | 110.84(5) | 92.71(7) | 500 | II | j |
| 1998h | $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ | 297 | 9.752(2) | 15.421(6) | 7.553(2) |  | 116.87(2) |  | 1013 | III | j,k |
| 1998i | " | 174 | 7.555(3) | 8.888(2) | 8.989(3) | 116.62(2) | 112.09(2) | 92.10(2) | 485 | II |  |
| 1998j | ${ }^{\prime}$ | 297 | 7.636(3) | 9.006(3) | 9.067(4) | 117.38(2) | 110.73(2) | 92.63(3) | 501 | II |  |
| 1998k | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 297 | $9.747(4)$ | 15.404(4) | 7.555(2) |  | 116.86(3) |  | 1012 | III | 1 |
| 19981 | ${ }^{\prime}$ | 174 | 7.553(2) | 8.887(3) | 8.979(3) | 116.64(2) | 112.05(2) | 92.15(2) | 484 | II |  |


| 1998m | $\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{2} \mathrm{CO}$ | 297 | 9.747(3) | 15.408(4) | 7.552(2) |  | 116.87(3) |  | 1012 | III | m |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1998n | " | 174 | 7.550 | 8.889 | 8.987 | 116.71 | 112.06 | 92.12 | 484 | II | n |
| 19980 | " | 174 | 7.561 | 8.919 | 8.998 | 116.72 | 112.04 | 92.15 | 486 | II | n |
| 1998p | $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ | 297 | 9.757(6) | 15.423(8) | 7.547(4) |  | 116.78(3) |  | 1014 | III | j,o |
| 1998q | $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ | 297 | 9.753(4) | 15.418(5) | 7.553(2) |  | 116.89(3) |  | 1013 | III | j |
| 2001a | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 173 | 7.565(2) | 8.916(2) | 9.001(2) | 116.79(2) | 111.54(1) | 92.68(1) | 487 | II | a |
| 2001b | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 297 | 9.754(3) | 15.410(4) | 7.555(2) |  | 116.88(2) |  | 1013 | III | a,b,p |
| 2001c | " | 174 | 7.550(3) | 8.891(3) | 8.994(3) | 116.69(2) | 112.08(3) | 92.103(3) | 484 | II | a,b,p |
| 2001d | " | 174 | 7.516 | 8.664 | 9.027 | 114,0 | 113.06 | 92.57 | 479 | I | n,p |
| 2001e | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 297 | 7.627(6) | 9.042(8) | 9.096(4) | 117.64(4) | 110.35(4) | 93.03(3) | 504 | II |  |
| 2001 f | " | 174 | 7.560(3) | 8.910(3) | 9.003(3) | 116.72(2) | 111.63(3) | 92.72(2) | 487 | II |  |
| 2001g | $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ | 297 | 7.628(4) | 9.006(3) | 9.0\&)(4) | 117.43(2) | 110.76(4) | 92.73(2) | 500 | II |  |
| 2001h | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 297 | 9.748(19 | 15.399(17) | 7.528(14) |  | 116.71(12) |  | 1010 | III | q |
| 2001 i | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 297 | 9.749 | 15.405 | 7.570 |  | 116.84 |  | 1015 | III | r |
| 2001j | $\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{2} \mathrm{CO}$ | 297 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | III | s,t |
| 2001k | CH3CN | 297 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | III | t, u |

A structure determination was made on this crystal.
b
c 1992a-e show a regular change in cell constants with temperature.
The unit cell volume is given by $\mathrm{V}\left(\AA^{3}\right)=499.9-0.1288(297-\mathrm{T})$ where T is the absolute temperature.
d A quotation mark for the solvent means that the previous crystal has been remeasured.
e $\quad 1992 \mathrm{~g}-\mathrm{m}$ show a regular change in cell constants with temperature.
The unit cell volume is given by $V\left(\AA^{3}\right)=493.8-0.1046(297-T)$ where $T$ is the absolute temperature.
f The warming was continued to 297 where no reasonable cell could be found. It was not obvious from the had presumably decomposed.
g 1992n was cooled to 173 K with no change in appearance to give 1992o. When 1992 o was rewarmed to 297 no cell could be obtained.
h When this crystal was cooled to 173 K no cell could be found.
i This crystal, a clear needle, transformed on cooling to an obvious twin, with three clear segments bent at about $120^{\circ}$ to each other. 1997d corresponds to the terminal fragment.
$j \quad$ These crystals were taken from seven independent syntheses of the complex in CH 2 Cl 2 , in a search for another crystal of para-IV.
k 1998h was cooled to 174 K with no change in appearance to give 1998i. 1998i was then warmed back to 297 K with no change in appearance to give 1998j.

1998 k was cooled to 174 K with no change in appearance to give 19981.
$\mathrm{m} \quad$ On cooling this sample went to two twin fragments, which were indexed using GEMINI. The twins were about the direct space axis $0,-1,-2$. The transformation occurred bewteen

255 and 297 K .
n If no su's are given, the cell could not be found by SMART but was found by GEMINI.
appearance but the crystal
p. On cooling this sample changed shape abruptly at 291 K . It was cooled to 174 K and indexed as 2001c. A complete data set was collected and solved, verifying that this was II. However, only $38 / 49$ reflections had been indexed successfully. A larger set of 587 reflections was reaped and indexed with GEMINI. 511 reflections gave the 2001c cell. 530 f the remaining 76 could be indexed as 2001d. When a data set was collected for 2001d, the quality was very poor and it could not be solved. However, when the $\mathrm{Cl}_{4} \mathrm{C}_{6}(\mathrm{CN})_{2}$ atoms were introduced as a trial structure, the difference map showed the HMB molecule in the correct position for I.
q. $\quad$ This crystal was cooled slowly and transformed into two fragments at 249 K .
r. This visually appeared to be a twin with two distinct fragments with different orientations. Cell data were collected with the intention of finding the twin law. However GEMINI fit $361 / 367$ reflections as shown. This was not a twin.
s. $\quad$ Slow cooling showed a transformation at 278 K

No cell was determined.
Slow cooling showed a transformation at 283 K

