[Cp*RuPb₁₁]³⁻and [Cu@Cp*RuPb₁₁]²⁻: centered and non-centered transition-metal substituted zintl icosahedra

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Abstract

Cluster anions $[Cp*RuPb_{11}]^{3-}(1)$ and $[Cu@Cp*RuPb_{11}]^{2-}(2)$ represent the first vertex-substituted zintl icosahedra and 1 is the first non-centered zintl icosahedron isolated in the condensed phase. Complexes 1 and 2 are both 12-vertex, 26-electron closo-clusters with C_{5v} point symmetry and are static on the 207 Pb NMR time scale in solution.