

## Accessory Publication

### The Na<sub>2</sub>X superalkali species (X=SH, SCH<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>, CN, N<sub>3</sub>) as building blocks in the Na<sub>2</sub>XY salts (Y=MgCl<sub>3</sub>, Cl, NO<sub>2</sub>).

### An ab initio study of the electric properties of the Na<sub>2</sub>XY salts.

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**Table S1.** The MP2 geometrical parameters (bond lengths in Å, angles in degrees) and partial atomic charges (in a.u.) fitted to the electrostatic potential according to the Merz-Singh-Kollman scheme for the Na<sub>2</sub>X and Na<sub>2</sub>X<sup>+</sup> (X=SH, CN, N<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>, and SCH<sub>3</sub>) species. See Figures 1 and 3 for atom numbering.

Geometrical parameters	Partial atomic charges
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>SH (C<sub>s</sub>)</b> r(NaS)=2.643; r(SH)=1.339; r(Na–Na)=3.318; ∠(NaSNa)=77.74; ∠(NaSH)=100.10; ∠(NaSNaH)=98.54	$q^{Na}=0.189$ ; $q^S=-0.479$ ; $q^H=0.101$
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>SH<sup>+</sup> (C<sub>2v</sub>)</b> r(NaS)=2.589; r(SH)=1.336; r(Na–Na)=5.112; ∠(NaSNa)=161.55	$q^{Na}=0.932$ ; $q^S=-1.047$ ; $q^H=0.183$
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>CN (C<sub>s</sub>)</b> r(Na <sub>1</sub> N)=2.315; r(Na <sub>2</sub> C)=2.473; r(NC)=1.193; r(Na <sub>1</sub> –Na <sub>2</sub> )=3.296; ∠(Na <sub>1</sub> NNa <sub>2</sub> )=85.88; ∠(Na <sub>2</sub> NC)=74.10; ∠(Na <sub>1</sub> NCNa <sub>2</sub> )=0.00	$q^{Na(1)}=0.142$ ; $q^{Na(2)}=0.243$ ; $q^C=-0.344$ ; $q^N=-0.041$
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>CN<sup>+</sup> (C<sub>2v</sub>)</b> r(NaN)=2.404; r(NaC)=2.552; r(NC)=1.194; r(Na–Na)=4.773; ∠(NaNNa)=166.17	$q^{Na}=0.970$ ; $q^C=-0.378$ ; $q^N=-0.561$
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub> (C<sub>2v</sub>)</b> r(NaN <sub>1</sub> )=2.296; r(N <sub>1</sub> N <sub>2</sub> )=1.220; r(N <sub>2</sub> N <sub>3</sub> )=1.187; r(Na–Na)=3.185; ∠(NaN <sub>1</sub> Na)=87.84	$q^{Na}=0.210$ ; $q^{N(1)}=-0.605$ ; $q^{N(2)}=0.867$ ; $q^{N(3)}=-0.683$
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> (C<sub>2v</sub>)</b> r(NaN <sub>1</sub> )=2.302; r(N <sub>1</sub> N <sub>2</sub> )=1.223; r(N <sub>2</sub> N <sub>3</sub> )=1.185; r(Na–Na)=4.459; ∠(NaN <sub>1</sub> Na)=150.96	$q^{Na}=0.963$ ; $q^{N(1)}=-1.100$ ; $q^{N(2)}=0.586$ ; $q^{N(3)}=-0.412$
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>OCH<sub>3</sub> (C<sub>s</sub>)</b> r(NaO)=2.156; r(OC)=1.398; r(CH <sub>1</sub> )=1.104; r(CH <sub>2</sub> )=1.105; r(Na–Na)=3.110; ∠(NaONa)=92.33; ∠(OCH <sub>1</sub> )=112.72; ∠(OCH <sub>2</sub> )=112.51; ∠(NaONaC)=180.00; ∠(NaOCH <sub>2</sub> )=180.00; ∠(H <sub>1</sub> CH <sub>1</sub> H <sub>2</sub> )=112.60	$q^{Na}=0.147$ ; $q^O=-0.636$ ; $q^C=1.460$ ; $q^{H(1)}=-0.391$ ; $q^{H(2)}=-0.336$
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>OCH<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> (C<sub>s</sub>)</b> r(NaO)=2.151; r(OC)=1.414; r(CH <sub>1</sub> )=1.101; r(CH <sub>2</sub> )=1.108;	$q^{Na}=0.960$ ; $q^O=-1.157$ ; $q^C=0.305$ ;

$r(\text{Na-Na})=4.073$ ; $\angle(\text{NaONa})=143.10$ ; $\angle(\text{NaOC})=104.30$ ; $\angle(\text{NaOC})=112.60$ ; $\angle(\text{OCH}_1)=113.06$ ; $\angle(\text{OCH}_2)=112.67$ ; $\angle(\text{NaONaC})=180.00$ ; $\angle(\text{NaOCH}_1)=180.00$ ; $\angle(\text{H}_1\text{CH}_1\text{H}_2)=113.25$	$q^{H(1)} = -0.012$ ; $q^{H(2)} = -0.045$
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><math>\text{Na}_2\text{SCH}_3 (C_s)</math></b></p> $r(\text{NaS})=2.643$ ; $r(\text{SC})=1.830$ ; $r(\text{CH}_1)=1.092$ ; $r(\text{CH}_2)=1.094$ ; $r(\text{Na-Na})=3.317$ ; $\angle(\text{NaSNa})=77.74$ ; $\angle(\text{NaSC})=110.91$ ; $\angle(\text{SCH}_1)=110.09$ ; $\angle(\text{SCH}_2)=112.63$ ; $\angle(\text{NaSNaC})=107.94$ ; $\angle(\text{NaSCH}_1)=78.48$ ; $\angle(\text{H}_1\text{CH}_1\text{H}_2)=116.54$	$q^{Na}=0.169$ ; $q^S=-0.575$ ; $q^C=0.947$ ; $q^{H(1)} = -0.256$ ; $q^{H(2)} = -0.199$
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><math>\text{Na}_2\text{SCH}_3^+ (C_s)</math></b></p> $r(\text{NaS})=2.587$ ; $r(\text{SC})=1.836$ ; $r(\text{CH}_1)=1.092$ ; $r(\text{CH}_2)=1.091$ ; $r(\text{Na-Na})=4.971$ ; $\angle(\text{NaSNa})=147.73$ ; $\angle(\text{NaSC})=104.86$ ; $\angle(\text{SCH}_1)=110.72$ ; $\angle(\text{SCH}_2)=111.42$ ; $\angle(\text{NaSNaC})=156.54$ ; $\angle(\text{NaSCH}_1)=83.65$ ; $\angle(\text{H}_1\text{CH}_1\text{H}_2)=116.89$	$q^{Na}=0.924$ $q^S=-1.065$ $q^C=0.056$ $q^{H(1)} = 0.070$ $q^{H(2)} = 0.020$

**Table S2:** The MP2 harmonic vibrational frequencies (in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) for the  $\text{Na}_2\text{X}$  and  $\text{Na}_2\text{X}^+$  ( $\text{X}=\text{SH}$ ,  $\text{CN}$ ,  $\text{N}_3$ ,  $\text{OCH}_3$ , and  $\text{SCH}_3$ ) species.

Species	Vibrational frequencies
$\text{Na}_2\text{SH}$	$\nu_1=100 (a'')$ ; $\nu_2=155 (a'')$ ; $\nu_3=209 (a')$ ; $\nu_4=273 (a'')$ ; $\nu_5=275 (a')$ ; $\nu_6=2769 (a')$
$\text{Na}_2\text{SH}^+$	$\nu_1=33 (b_1)$ ; $\nu_2=71 (a_1)$ ; $\nu_3=222 (a_1)$ ; $\nu_4=316 (b_2)$ ; $\nu_5=515 (b_2)$ ; $\nu_6=2792 (a_1)$
$\text{Na}_2\text{CN}$	$\nu_1=97 (a'')$ ; $\nu_2=125 (a')$ ; $\nu_3=137 (a')$ ; $\nu_4=243 (a')$ ; $\nu_5=303 (a')$ ; $\nu_6=2004 (a')$
$\text{Na}_2\text{CN}^+$	$\nu_1=53 (b_2)$ ; $\nu_2=62 (b_1)$ ; $\nu_3=69 (a_1)$ ; $\nu_4=213 (a_1)$ ; $\nu_5=327 (b_2)$ ; $\nu_6=1983 (a_1)$
$\text{Na}_2\text{N}_3$	$\nu_1=55 (b_2)$ ; $\nu_2=63 (b_1)$ ; $\nu_3=126 (a_1)$ ; $\nu_4=265 (b_2)$ ; $\nu_5=269 (a_1)$ ; $\nu_6=549 (b_1)$ ; $\nu_7=587 (b_2)$ ; $\nu_8=1283 (a_1)$ ; $\nu_9=2183 (a_1)$
$\text{Na}_2\text{N}_3^+$	$\nu_1=37 (b_2)$ ; $\nu_2=76 (a_1)$ ; $\nu_3=104 (b_1)$ ; $\nu_4=234 (a_1)$ ; $\nu_5=370 (b_2)$ ; $\nu_6=519 (b_1)$ ; $\nu_7=625 (b_2)$ ; $\nu_8=1216 (a_1)$ ; $\nu_9=2121 (a_1)$
$\text{Na}_2\text{OCH}_3$	$\nu_1=13 (a'')$ ; $\nu_2=109 (a')$ ; $\nu_3=124 (a'')$ ; $\nu_4=137 (a')$ ; $\nu_5=338 (a')$ ; $\nu_6=341 (a')$ ; $\nu_7=1125 (a')$ ; $\nu_8=1189 (a'')$ ; $\nu_9=1200 (a')$ ; $\nu_{10}=1501 (a')$ ; $\nu_{11}=1517 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{12}=1524 (a')$ ; $\nu_{13}=2953 (a')$ ; $\nu_{14}=2998 (a')$ ; $\nu_{15}=3006 (a'')$
$\text{Na}_2\text{OCH}_3^+$	$\nu_1=54 (a'')$ ; $\nu_2=100 (a')$ ; $\nu_3=108 (a')$ ; $\nu_4=149 (a'')$ ; $\nu_5=293 (a')$ ; $\nu_6=468 (a')$ ; $\nu_7=1068 (a')$ ; $\nu_8=1182 (a'')$ ; $\nu_9=1211 (a')$ ; $\nu_{10}=1508 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{11}=1514 (a')$ ; $\nu_{12}=1542 (a')$ ; $\nu_{13}=2943 (a')$ ; $\nu_{14}=3015 (a')$ ; $\nu_{15}=3050 (a'')$
$\text{Na}_2\text{SCH}_3$	$\nu_1=51 (a')$ ; $\nu_2=83 (a'')$ ; $\nu_3=91 (a'')$ ; $\nu_4=110 (a')$ ; $\nu_5=222 (a'')$ ; $\nu_6=267 (a')$ ; $\nu_7=737 (a')$ ; $\nu_8=983 (a')$ ; $\nu_9=987 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{10}=1393 (a')$ ; $\nu_{11}=1484 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{12}=1491 (a')$ ; $\nu_{13}=3067 (a')$ ; $\nu_{14}=3148 (a')$ ; $\nu_{15}=3163 (a'')$
$\text{Na}_2\text{SCH}_3^+$	$\nu_1=43 (a')$ ; $\nu_2=47 (a'')$ ; $\nu_3=75 (a')$ ; $\nu_4=110 (a'')$ ; $\nu_5=229 (a')$ ; $\nu_6=325 (a'')$ ; $\nu_7=730 (a')$ ; $\nu_8=988 (a')$ ; $\nu_9=999 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{10}=1410 (a')$ ; $\nu_{11}=1479 (a')$ ; $\nu_{12}=1497 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{13}=3086 (a')$ ; $\nu_{14}=3171 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{15}=3181 (a')$

**Table S3.** The MP2 geometrical parameters (bond lengths in Å, angles in degrees) and partial atomic charges (in a.u.) fitted to the electrostatic potential according to the Merz-Singh-Kollman scheme for the Na<sub>2</sub>XMgCl<sub>3</sub> (X=SH, CN, N<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>, and SCH<sub>3</sub>) species. See Figure 4 for atom numbering.

Geometrical parameters	Partial atomic charges
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>SHMgCl<sub>3</sub> (C<sub>s</sub>)</b>	
r(NaS)=2.612; r(SH)=1.336; r(Na–Na)=3.933; r(NaCl <sub>1</sub> )=2.566; r(MgCl <sub>1</sub> )=2.314; r(MgCl <sub>2</sub> )=2.211; ∠(NaSNa)=97.67; ∠(NaSH)=105.79; ∠(Cl <sub>1</sub> MgCl <sub>1</sub> )=112.68; ∠(Cl <sub>1</sub> MgCl <sub>2</sub> )=123.66; ∠(NaSNaH)=108.87; ∠(Cl <sub>2</sub> MgCl <sub>1</sub> Cl <sub>1</sub> )=179.75	$q^{Na}=0.747$ ; $q^S=-0.820$ ; $q^H=0.123$ ; $q^{Mg}=0.930$ ; $q^{Cl(1)}=-0.597$ ; $q^{Cl(2)}=-0.532$
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>CNMgCl<sub>3</sub> (C<sub>s</sub>)</b>	
r(NaN)=2.362; r(NC)=1.195; r(Na–Na)=3.877; r(NaCl <sub>1</sub> )=2.558; r(MgCl <sub>1</sub> )=2.315; r(MgCl <sub>2</sub> )=2.211; ∠(NaNNa)=110.34; ∠(NaNC)=89.32; ∠(Cl <sub>1</sub> MgCl <sub>1</sub> )=112.44; ∠(Cl <sub>1</sub> MgCl <sub>2</sub> )=123.78; ∠(NaNNaC)=89.03; ∠(Cl <sub>2</sub> MgCl <sub>1</sub> Cl <sub>1</sub> )=179.70	$q^{Na}=0.832$ ; $q^N=-0.474$ ; $q^C=-0.342$ ; $q^{Mg}=0.987$ ; $q^{Cl(1)}=-0.651$ ; $q^{Cl(2)}=-0.533$
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>MgCl<sub>3</sub> (C<sub>1</sub>)</b>	
r(Na <sub>1</sub> N <sub>1</sub> )=2.305; r(Na <sub>2</sub> N <sub>1</sub> )=2.261; r(N <sub>1</sub> N <sub>2</sub> )=1.221; r(N <sub>2</sub> N <sub>3</sub> )=1.185; r(Na <sub>1</sub> –Na <sub>2</sub> )=3.477; r(MgCl <sub>1</sub> )=2.359; r(MgCl <sub>2</sub> )=2.287; r(MgCl <sub>3</sub> )=2.203; r(Na <sub>1</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> )=2.612; r(Na <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>1</sub> )=2.621; ∠(Na <sub>1</sub> N <sub>1</sub> Na <sub>2</sub> )=99.20; ∠(Cl <sub>1</sub> MgCl <sub>2</sub> )=100.37; ∠(Cl <sub>1</sub> MgCl <sub>3</sub> )=136.23; ∠(MgNa <sub>1</sub> N <sub>1</sub> Na <sub>2</sub> )=21.17 ∠(Cl <sub>3</sub> MgN <sub>1</sub> N <sub>2</sub> )=116.95	$q^{Na(1)}=0.843$ ; $q^{Na(2)}=0.891$ ; $q^{N(1)}=-1.222$ ; $q^{N(2)}=0.852$ ; $q^{N(3)}=-0.560$ ; $q^{Mg}=0.970$ ; $q^{Cl(1)}=-0.640$ ; $q^{Cl(2)}=-0.582$ ; $q^{Cl(3)}=-0.553$
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>OCH<sub>3</sub>MgCl<sub>3</sub> (C<sub>1</sub>)</b>	
r(NaO)=2.151; r(OC)=1.401; r(CH <sub>1</sub> )=1.103; r(CH <sub>2</sub> )=1.104; r(CH <sub>3</sub> )=1.105; r(Na–Na)=3.461; r(MgCl <sub>1</sub> )=2.313; r(MgCl <sub>2</sub> )=2.211; r(NaCl <sub>1</sub> )=2.569; ∠(NaONa)=107.11; ∠(NaOC)=127.37; ∠(OCH <sub>1</sub> )=112.48; ∠(Cl <sub>1</sub> MgCl <sub>1</sub> )=111.27; ∠(Cl <sub>1</sub> MgCl <sub>2</sub> )=124.36; ∠(NaONaC)=179.69; ∠(H <sub>1</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> )=112.48; ∠(Cl <sub>2</sub> MgOC)=-74.01	$q^{Na}=0.896$ ; $q^O=-1.277$ ; $q^C=0.774$ ; $q^{H(1)}=-0.141$ ; $q^{H(2)}=-0.143$ ; $q^{H(3)}=-0.144$ ; $q^{Mg}=1.014$ ; $q^{Cl(1)}=-0.659$ ; $q^{Cl(2)}=-0.555$
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>3</sub>MgCl<sub>3</sub> (C<sub>s</sub>)</b>	
r(NaS)=2.607; r(SC)=1.829; r(CH <sub>1</sub> )=1.109; r(CH <sub>2</sub> )=1.109; r(Na–Na)=3.937; r(MgCl <sub>1</sub> )=2.314; r(MgCl <sub>2</sub> )=2.212; r(NaCl <sub>1</sub> )=2.568; ∠(NaSNa)=98.07; ∠(NaSC)=113.60; ∠(SCH <sub>1</sub> )=112.48; ∠(Cl <sub>1</sub> MgCl <sub>1</sub> )=112.82; ∠(NaSNaC)=120.21; ∠(Cl <sub>1</sub> MgCl <sub>2</sub> )=123.59; ∠(H <sub>1</sub> CH <sub>1</sub> H <sub>2</sub> )=116.98	$q^{Na}=0.787$ ; $q^S=-0.922$ ; $q^C=0.104$ ; $q^{H(1)}=0.058$ ; $q^{H(2)}=-0.054$ ; $q^{Mg}=0.942$ ; $q^{Cl(1)}=-0.613$ ; $q^{Cl(2)}=-0.535$

**Table S4:** The MP2 vibrational frequencies (in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) for the  $\text{Na}_2\text{XMgCl}_3$  ( $\text{X}=\text{SH}$ ,  $\text{CN}$ ,  $\text{N}_3$ ,  $\text{OCH}_3$ , and  $\text{SCH}_3$ ) species.

Species	Vibrational frequencies
$\text{Na}_2\text{SHMgCl}_3$	$\nu_1=6 (a')$ ; $\nu_2= 26 (a'')$ ; $\nu_3= 33 (a'')$ ; $\nu_4= 62 (a')$ ; $\nu_5= 76 (a')$ ; $\nu_6= 80 (a')$ ; $\nu_7=118 (a')$ ; $\nu_8= 154 (a')$ ; $\nu_9= 189 (a')$ ; $\nu_{10}= 207 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{11}= 270 (a')$ ; $\nu_{12}= 287 (a')$ ; $\nu_{13}=294 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{14}= 316 (a')$ ; $\nu_{15}= 351 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{16}= 411 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{17}= 515 (a')$ ; $\nu_{18}= 2795 (a')$
$\text{Na}_2\text{CNMgCl}_3$	$\nu_1=6 (a')$ ; $\nu_2= 22 (a'')$ ; $\nu_3= 29 (a'')$ ; $\nu_4= 69 (a'')$ ; $\nu_5= 73 (a')$ ; $\nu_6= 77 (a')$ ; $\nu_7=81 (a'')$ ; $\nu_8= 98 (a')$ ; $\nu_9= 119 (a')$ ; $\nu_{10}= 154 (a')$ ; $\nu_{11}= 199 (a')$ ; $\nu_{12}= 230 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{13}=273 (a')$ ; $\nu_{14}= 316 (a')$ ; $\nu_{15}= 318 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{16}= 410 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{17}= 515 (a')$ ; $\nu_{18}= 1981 (a')$
$\text{Na}_2\text{N}_3\text{MgCl}_3$	$\nu_1=15 (a)$ ; $\nu_2= 38 (a)$ ; $\nu_3= 44 (a)$ ; $\nu_4= 62 (a)$ ; $\nu_5= 77 (a)$ ; $\nu_6= 110 (a)$ ; $\nu_7=114 (a)$ ; $\nu_8= 129 (a)$ ; $\nu_9= 131 (a)$ ; $\nu_{10}= 159 (a)$ ; $\nu_{11}= 192 (a)$ ; $\nu_{12}= 210 (a)$ ; $\nu_{13}=288 (a)$ ; $\nu_{14}= 296 (a)$ ; $\nu_{15}= 328 (a)$ ; $\nu_{16}= 382 (a)$ ; $\nu_{17}= 544 (a)$ ; $\nu_{18}= 607 (a)$ ; $\nu_{19}= 619 (a)$ ; $\nu_{20}= 1256 (a)$ ; $\nu_{21}= 2171 (a)$
$\text{Na}_2\text{OCH}_3\text{MgCl}_3$	$\nu_1=10 (a)$ ; $\nu_2= 14 (a)$ ; $\nu_3= 18 (a)$ ; $\nu_4= 31 (a)$ ; $\nu_5= 49 (a)$ ; $\nu_6= 70 (a)$ ; $\nu_7=91 (a)$ ; $\nu_8= 96 (a)$ ; $\nu_9= 138 (a)$ ; $\nu_{10}= 142 (a)$ ; $\nu_{11}= 159 (a)$ ; $\nu_{12}= 199 (a)$ ; $\nu_{13}=236 (a)$ ; $\nu_{14}= 283 (a)$ ; $\nu_{15}= 356 (a)$ ; $\nu_{16}= 404 (a)$ ; $\nu_{17}= 417 (a)$ ; $\nu_{18}= 517 (a)$ ; $\nu_{19}= 1119 (a)$ ; $\nu_{20}= 1190 (a)$ ; $\nu_{21}= 1204 (a)$ ; $\nu_{22}= 1506 (a)$ ; $\nu_{23}= 1518 (a)$ ; $\nu_{24}= 1526 (a)$ ; $\nu_{25}= 2956 (a)$ ; $\nu_{26}= 3001 (a)$ ; $\nu_{27}= 3015 (a)$
$\text{Na}_2\text{SCH}_3\text{MgCl}_3$	$\nu_1=5 (a')$ ; $\nu_2= 21 (a'')$ ; $\nu_3= 33 (a')$ ; $\nu_4= 34 (a'')$ ; $\nu_5= 73 (a')$ ; $\nu_6= 74 (a'')$ ; $\nu_7=82 (a'')$ ; $\nu_8= 96 (a'')$ ; $\nu_9= 100 (a')$ ; $\nu_{10}= 119 (a')$ ; $\nu_{11}= 154 (a')$ ; $\nu_{12}= 187 (a')$ ; $\nu_{13}=214 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{14}= 269 (a')$ ; $\nu_{15}= 302 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{16}= 313 (a')$ ; $\nu_{17}= 411 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{18}= 513 (a')$ ; $\nu_{19}= 743 (a')$ ; $\nu_{20}= 989 (a')$ ; $\nu_{21}= 997 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{22}= 1398 (a')$ ; $\nu_{23}= 1491 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{24}= 1495 (a')$ ; $\nu_{25}= 3077 (a')$ ; $\nu_{26}= 3163 (a')$ ; $\nu_{27}= 3170(a'')$

**Table S5.** The MP2 geometrical parameters (bond lengths in Å, angles in degrees) and partial atomic charges (in a.u.) fitted to the electrostatic potential according to the Merz-Singh-Kollman scheme for the Na<sub>2</sub>XCl (X=SH, CN, N<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>, and SCH<sub>3</sub>) species. See Figure 5 for atom numbering.

Geometrical parameters	Partial atomic charges
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>SHCl (C<sub>s</sub>)</b>	
r(NaS)=2.654; r(SH)=1.336; r(Na-Na)=3.268; r(NaCl)=2.543; ∠(NaSNa)=76.01; ∠(NaSH)=107.07; ∠(ClNaS)=101.86; ∠(NaSNaH)=103.89; ∠(NaSNaCl)=4.13	$q^{Na}=0.735$ ; $q^S=-0.817$ ; $q^H=0.090$ ; $q^{Cl}=-0.743$
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>CNCl (C<sub>i</sub>)</b>	
r(Na <sub>1</sub> N)=2.333; r(Na <sub>2</sub> C)=2.421; r(CN)=1.190; r(Na <sub>1</sub> -Na <sub>2</sub> )=3.441; r(Na <sub>1</sub> Cl)=2.536; r(Na <sub>2</sub> Cl)=2.535; ∠(Na <sub>1</sub> NC)=94.05; ∠(Na <sub>2</sub> CN)=144.20; ∠(ClNa <sub>1</sub> N)=117.85; ∠(Na <sub>1</sub> ClNa <sub>2</sub> C)=0.00	$q^{Na(1)}=0.767$ ; $q^{Na(2)}=0.757$ ; $q^N=-0.419$ ; $q^C=-0.357$ ; $q^{Cl}=-0.750$
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>Cl (C<sub>2v</sub>)</b>	
r(NaN <sub>1</sub> )=2.299; r(N <sub>1</sub> N <sub>2</sub> )=1.219; r(N <sub>2</sub> N <sub>3</sub> )=1.186; r(NaCl)=2.530; r(Na-Na)=3.212; ∠(NaN <sub>1</sub> Na)=88.62; ∠(ClNaN <sub>1</sub> )=96.27	$q^{Na}=0.874$ ; $q^{N(1)}=-1.252$ ; $q^{N(2)}=0.898$ ; $q^{N(3)}=-0.597$ ; $q^{Cl}=-0.796$
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>OCH<sub>3</sub>Cl (C<sub>i</sub>)</b>	
r(NaO)=2.166; r(OC)=1.395; r(CH <sub>1</sub> )=1.106; r(CH <sub>2</sub> )=1.105; r(CH <sub>3</sub> )=1.105; r(Na-Na)=3.043; r(NaCl)=2.546; ∠(NaONa)=89.28; ∠(NaOC)=135.40; ∠(OCH <sub>1</sub> )=112.82; ∠(ClNaO)=98.62; ∠(NaONaC)=179.79; ∠(NaONaCl)=0.00; ∠(H <sub>1</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> )=112.37	$q^{Na}=0.846$ ; $q^O=-1.164$ ; $q^C=0.688$ ; $q^{H(1)}=-0.130$ ; $q^{H(2)}=-0.137$ ; $q^{H(3)}=-0.137$ ; $q^{Cl}=-0.811$
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>3</sub>Cl (C<sub>s</sub>)</b>	
r(NaS)=2.646; r(SC)=1.827; r(CH <sub>1</sub> )=1.092; r(CH <sub>2</sub> )=1.093; r <sub>5</sub> (Na-Na)=3.283; r(NaCl)=2.542; ∠(NaSNa)=76.68; ∠(NaSC)=117.19; ∠(SCH <sub>1</sub> )=112.48; ∠(ClNaS)=101.25; ∠(NaSNaC)=113.97; ∠(H <sub>1</sub> CH <sub>1</sub> H <sub>2</sub> )=116.60; ∠(NaSNaCl)=4.70	$q^{Na}=0.779$ ; $q^S=-0.907$ ; $q^C=0.011$ ; $q^{H(1)}=0.073$ ; $q^{H(2)}=-0.027$ ; $q^{Cl}=-0.781$

**Table S6:** The MP2 vibrational frequencies (in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) for the  $\text{Na}_2\text{XCl}$  ( $\text{X}=\text{SH}$ ,  $\text{CN}$ ,  $\text{N}_3$ ,  $\text{OCH}_3$ , and  $\text{SCH}_3$ ) species.

Species	Vibrational frequencies
<b><math>\text{Na}_2\text{SHCl}</math></b>	$\nu_1=73 (a')$ ; $\nu_2=123 (a')$ ; $\nu_3=221 (a'')$ ; $\nu_4=245 (a'')$ ; $\nu_5=251 (a')$ ; $\nu_6=265 (a')$ ; $\nu_7=290 (a')$ ; $\nu_8=299 (a'')$ ; $\nu_9=2792 (a')$
<b><math>\text{Na}_2\text{CNCl}</math></b>	$\nu_1=88 (a)$ ; $\nu_2=121 (a)$ ; $\nu_3=142 (a)$ ; $\nu_4=174 (a)$ ; $\nu_5=250 (a)$ ; $\nu_6=273 (a)$ ; $\nu_7=299 (a)$ ; $\nu_8=319 (a)$ ; $\nu_9=2012 (a)$
<b><math>\text{Na}_2\text{N}_3\text{Cl}</math></b>	$\nu_1=60 (b_2)$ ; $\nu_2=66 (b_1)$ ; $\nu_3=122 (a_1)$ ; $\nu_4=139 (b_2)$ ; $\nu_5=254 (b_2)$ ; $\nu_6=267 (a_1)$ ; $\nu_7=288 (b_2)$ ; $\nu_8=293 (a_1)$ ; $\nu_9=601 (b_1)$ ; $\nu_{10}=606 (b_2)$ ; $\nu_{11}=1258 (a_1)$ ; $\nu_{12}=2178 (a_1)$
<b><math>\text{Na}_2\text{OCH}_3\text{Cl}</math></b>	$\nu_1=22 (a)$ ; $\nu_2=72 (a)$ ; $\nu_3=111 (a)$ ; $\nu_4=151 (a)$ ; $\nu_5=159 (a)$ ; $\nu_6=241 (a)$ ; $\nu_7=287 (a)$ ; $\nu_8=338 (a)$ ; $\nu_9=347 (a)$ ; $\nu_{10}=1138 (a)$ ; $\nu_{11}=1193 (a)$ ; $\nu_{12}=1204 (a)$ ; $\nu_{13}=1504 (a)$ ; $\nu_{14}=1517 (a)$ ; $\nu_{15}=1523 (a)$ ; $\nu_{16}=2945 (a)$ ; $\nu_{17}=2987 (a)$ ; $\nu_{18}=2993 (a)$
<b><math>\text{Na}_2\text{SCH}_3\text{Cl}</math></b>	$\nu_1=27 (a')$ ; $\nu_2=83 (a'')$ ; $\nu_3=85 (a'')$ ; $\nu_4=108 (a')$ ; $\nu_5=123 (a')$ ; $\nu_6=231 (a'')$ ; $\nu_7=246 (a'')$ ; $\nu_8=258 (a')$ ; $\nu_9=285 (a')$ ; $\nu_{10}=747 (a')$ ; $\nu_{11}=986 (a')$ ; $\nu_{12}=993 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{13}=1395 (a')$ ; $\nu_{14}=1488 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{15}=1494 (a')$ ; $\nu_{16}=3069 (a')$ ; $\nu_{17}=3151 (a')$ ; $\nu_{18}=3161 (a'')$

**Table S7.** The MP2 geometrical parameters (bond lengths in Å, angles in degrees) and partial atomic charges (in a.u.) fitted to the electrostatic potential according to the Merz-Singh-Kollman scheme for the Na<sub>2</sub>XNO<sub>2</sub> (X=SH, CN, N<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>, and SCH<sub>3</sub>) species. See Figure 6 for atom numbering.

Geometrical parameters	Partial atomic charges
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>SHNO<sub>2</sub> (C<sub>s</sub>)</b>	
r(NaS)=2.642; r(SH)=1.336; r(Na–Na)=3.560; r(NaO)=2.322; r(NO)=1.281; ∠(NaSNa)=84.69; ∠(NaSH)=106.31; ∠(ONO)=115.37; ∠(SNaO)=120.02; ∠(NaSNaH)=105.46; ∠(NaSNaN)=3.81	$q^{Na}=0.781$ ; $q^S=-0.824$ ; $q^H=0.102$ ; $q^N=0.098$ ; $q^O=-0.469$
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>CNNO<sub>2</sub> (C<sub>1</sub>)</b>	
r(Na <sub>2</sub> N <sub>1</sub> )=2.353; r(Na <sub>1</sub> C)=2.424; r(CN <sub>1</sub> )=1.192; r(Na <sub>1</sub> –Na <sub>2</sub> )=3.540; r(Na <sub>1</sub> O <sub>1</sub> )=2.247; r(Na <sub>2</sub> O <sub>1</sub> )=2.560; r(Na <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> )=2.641; r(N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>1</sub> )=1.309; r(N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> )=1.272; ∠(Na <sub>2</sub> N <sub>1</sub> C)=161.28; ∠(Na <sub>1</sub> CN <sub>1</sub> )=83.15; ∠(Na <sub>1</sub> O <sub>1</sub> Na <sub>2</sub> )=94.66 ∠(O <sub>1</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> )=113.93; ∠(Na <sub>1</sub> Na <sub>2</sub> CN <sub>1</sub> )=0.05; ∠(Na <sub>1</sub> O <sub>1</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> )=144.00	$q^{Na(1)}=0.800$ ; $q^{Na(2)}=0.779$ ; $q^{N(1)}=-0.402$ ; $q^C=-0.372$ ; $q^{N(2)}=0.072$ ; $q^{O(1)}=-0.491$ ; $q^{O(2)}=-0.385$
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> (C<sub>1</sub>)</b>	
r(Na <sub>1</sub> N <sub>1</sub> )=2.280; r(Na <sub>2</sub> N <sub>1</sub> )=2.357; r(N <sub>1</sub> N <sub>2</sub> )=1.218; r(N <sub>2</sub> N <sub>3</sub> )=1.188; r(Na <sub>1</sub> O <sub>1</sub> )=2.236; r(Na <sub>2</sub> O <sub>1</sub> )=2.560; r(Na <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> )=2.636; r(Na <sub>1</sub> –Na <sub>2</sub> )=3.352; r(N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>1</sub> )=1.310; r(N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>2</sub> )=1.273; ∠(Na <sub>1</sub> N <sub>1</sub> Na <sub>2</sub> )=92.58; ∠(Na <sub>1</sub> O <sub>1</sub> Na <sub>2</sub> )=88.40 ∠(O <sub>1</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>2</sub> )=113.95; ∠(Na <sub>1</sub> N <sub>1</sub> Na <sub>2</sub> O <sub>1</sub> )=0.32; ∠(Na <sub>1</sub> N <sub>1</sub> Na <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> )=179.32; ∠(Na <sub>1</sub> O <sub>1</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>2</sub> )=123.80	$q^{Na(1)}=0.881$ ; $q^{Na(2)}=0.891$ ; $q^{N(1)}=-1.113$ ; $q^{N(2)}=0.750$ ; $q^{N(3)}=-0.552$ ; $q^{N(4)}=0.112$ ; $q^{O(1)}=-0.562$ ; $q^{O(2)}=-0.408$
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>OCH<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> (C<sub>1</sub>)</b>	
r(Na <sub>1</sub> O <sub>3</sub> )=2.139; r(Na <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> )=2.176; r(O <sub>3</sub> C)=1.398; r(CH <sub>1</sub> )=1.104; r(CH <sub>2</sub> )=1.105; r(NO <sub>1</sub> )=1.279; r(NO <sub>2</sub> )=1.213; r(Na <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> )=2.186; r(Na <sub>1</sub> O <sub>2</sub> )=2.402; r(Na <sub>1</sub> –Na <sub>2</sub> )=3.076; ∠(Na <sub>1</sub> O <sub>3</sub> Na <sub>2</sub> )=90.88; ∠(O <sub>1</sub> NO <sub>2</sub> )=113.73; ∠(O <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> )=112.78; ∠(Na <sub>1</sub> O <sub>3</sub> Na <sub>2</sub> C)=179.92; ∠(H <sub>1</sub> CH <sub>1</sub> H <sub>2</sub> )=112.51; ∠(Na <sub>1</sub> O <sub>1</sub> NO <sub>2</sub> )=0.00	$q^{Na(1)}=0.875$ ; $q^{Na(2)}=0.862$ ; $q^{O(3)}=-1.102$ ; $q^C=0.305$ ; $q^{H(1)}=-0.053$ ; $q^{H(2)}=-0.048$ ; $q^{N(4)}=0.112$ ; $q^{O(1)}=-0.397$ ; $q^{O(2)}=-0.587$
<b>Na<sub>2</sub>SCH<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> (C<sub>1</sub>)</b>	
r(Na <sub>1</sub> S)=2.605; r(Na <sub>2</sub> S)=2.640; r(SC)=1.825; r(CH <sub>1</sub> )=1.092; r(CH <sub>2</sub> )=1.092; r(NO <sub>1</sub> )=1.285; r(NO <sub>2</sub> )=1.203; r(Na <sub>1</sub> O <sub>1</sub> )=2.189; r(Na <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> )=2.410; r(Na <sub>2</sub> O <sub>1</sub> )=2.378; r(Na <sub>1</sub> –Na <sub>2</sub> )=3.369; ∠(Na <sub>1</sub> SNa <sub>2</sub> )=79.94; ∠(O <sub>1</sub> NO <sub>2</sub> )=113.50; ∠(SCH <sub>2</sub> )=109.90; ∠(Na <sub>1</sub> SNa <sub>2</sub> C)=121.64; ∠(H <sub>1</sub> CH <sub>1</sub> H <sub>2</sub> )=117.10; ∠(Na <sub>1</sub> O <sub>1</sub> NO <sub>2</sub> )=128.54	$q^{Na(1)}=0.773$ ; $q^{Na(2)}=0.796$ ; $q^S=-0.919$ ; $q^C=0.020$ ; $q^{H(1)}=0.064$ ; $q^{H(2)}=-0.011$ ; $q^N=0.017$ ; $q^{O(1)}=-0.466$ ; $q^{O(2)}=-0.338$



**Table S8:** The MP2 vibrational frequencies (in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) for the  $\text{Na}_2\text{XNO}_2$  ( $\text{X}=\text{SH}$ ,  $\text{CN}$ ,  $\text{N}_3$ ,  $\text{OCH}_3$ , and  $\text{SCH}_3$ ) species.

Species	Vibrational frequencies
$\text{Na}_2\text{SHNO}_2$	$\nu_1=12 (a'')$ ; $\nu_2= 55 (a'')$ ; $\nu_3= 55 (a')$ ; $\nu_4= 99 (a')$ ; $\nu_5= 143 (a')$ ; $\nu_6= 247 (a'')$ ; $\nu_7=255 (a')$ ; $\nu_8= 261 (a')$ ; $\nu_9= 291 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{10}= 311 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{11}= 336 (a')$ ; $\nu_{12}= 821 (a')$ ; $\nu_{13}=1537 (a'')$ ; $\nu_{14}= 1816 (a')$ ; $\nu_{15}= 2793 (a')$
$\text{Na}_2\text{CNNO}_2$	$\nu_1=19 (a)$ ; $\nu_2= 73 (a)$ ; $\nu_3= 90 (a)$ ; $\nu_4= 99 (a)$ ; $\nu_5= 104 (a)$ ; $\nu_6= 147 (a)$ ; $\nu_7=165 (a)$ ; $\nu_8= 242 (a)$ ; $\nu_9= 289 (a)$ ; $\nu_{10}= 295 (a)$ ; $\nu_{11}= 323 (a)$ ; $\nu_{12}= 853 (a)$ ; $\nu_{13}= 1492 (a)$ ; $\nu_{14}= 2005 (a)$ ; $\nu_{15}= 2135 (a)$
$\text{Na}_2\text{N}_3\text{NO}_2$	$\nu_1=19 (a)$ ; $\nu_2= 47 (a)$ ; $\nu_3= 64 (a)$ ; $\nu_4= 96 (a)$ ; $\nu_5= 107 (a)$ ; $\nu_6= 120 (a)$ ; $\nu_7=168 (a)$ ; $\nu_8= 235 (a)$ ; $\nu_9= 254 (a)$ ; $\nu_{10}= 319 (a)$ ; $\nu_{11}= 338 (a)$ ; $\nu_{12}= 576 (a)$ ; $\nu_{13}= 601 (a)$ ; $\nu_{14}= 851 (a)$ ; $\nu_{15}= 1255 (a)$ ; $\nu_{16}= 1492 (a)$ ; $\nu_{17}= 2053 (a)$ ; $\nu_{18}= 2269 (a)$
$\text{Na}_2\text{OCH}_3\text{NO}_2$	$\nu_1=11 (a)$ ; $\nu_2= 14 (a)$ ; $\nu_3= 80 (a)$ ; $\nu_4= 110 (a)$ ; $\nu_5= 152 (a)$ ; $\nu_6= 159 (a)$ ; $\nu_7=174 (a)$ ; $\nu_8= 195 (a)$ ; $\nu_9= 232 (a)$ ; $\nu_{10}= 302 (a)$ ; $\nu_{11}= 352 (a)$ ; $\nu_{12}= 397 (a)$ ; $\nu_{13}=884 (a)$ ; $\nu_{14}= 1131 (a)$ ; $\nu_{15}= 1168 (a)$ ; $\nu_{16}= 1193 (a)$ ; $\nu_{17}= 1205 (a)$ ; $\nu_{18}= 1504 (a)$ ; $\nu_{19}= 1518 (a)$ ; $\nu_{20}= 1525 (a)$ ; $\nu_{21}= 2322 (a)$ ; $\nu_{22}= 2956 (a)$ ; $\nu_{23}= 3000 (a)$ ; $\nu_{24}= 3005 (a)$
$\text{Na}_2\text{SCH}_3\text{NO}_2$	$\nu_1=29 (a)$ ; $\nu_2= 47 (a)$ ; $\nu_3= 82 (a)$ ; $\nu_4= 91 (a)$ ; $\nu_5= 109 (a)$ ; $\nu_6= 129 (a)$ ; $\nu_7=161 (a)$ ; $\nu_8= 196 (a)$ ; $\nu_9= 237 (a)$ ; $\nu_{10}= 272 (a)$ ; $\nu_{11}= 275 (a)$ ; $\nu_{12}= 310 (a)$ ; $\nu_{13}=751 (a)$ ; $\nu_{14}= 879 (a)$ ; $\nu_{15}= 989 (a)$ ; $\nu_{16}= 997 (a)$ ; $\nu_{17}= 1139 (a)$ ; $\nu_{18}= 1394 (a)$ ; $\nu_{19}= 1490 (a)$ ; $\nu_{20}= 1496 (a)$ ; $\nu_{21}= 2614 (a)$ ; $\nu_{22}= 3077 (a)$ ; $\nu_{23}= 3162 (a)$ ; $\nu_{24}= 3169 (a)$