

## Supplementary Material

### **Coordination polymers based on aluminum and indium halides together with pyrazine**

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**Table S1** Crystallographic data for **1-3**. Deviations are given in brackets.

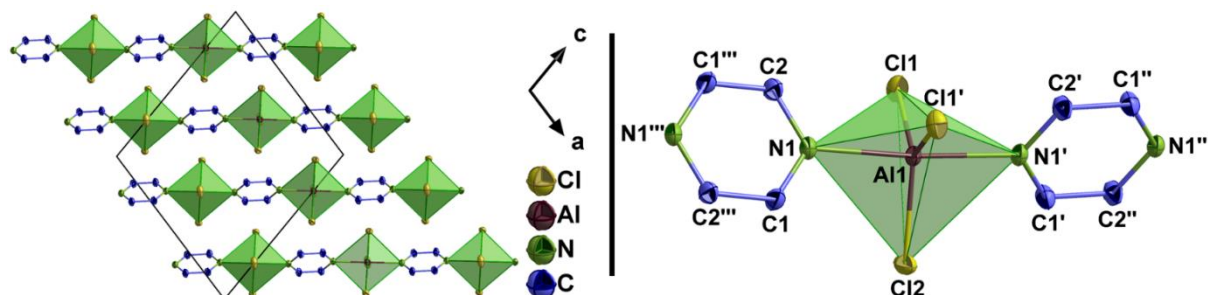
	<b>1</b> [AlCl <sub>3</sub> (pyz)] ( <b>1</b> )	<b>1</b> [AlI <sub>3</sub> (pyz)] ( <b>2</b> )	<b>1</b> [InBr <sub>3</sub> (pyz)] ( <b>3</b> )
Empirical formula	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>4</sub> AlCl <sub>3</sub> N <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>4</sub> AlI <sub>3</sub> N <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Br <sub>3</sub> InN <sub>2</sub>
Formula weight /g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	213.42	487.77	434.64
Crystal colour and shape	colourless block	yellow block	colourless needle
Crystal size /mm <sup>3</sup>	0.457 × 0.251 × 0.202	0.260 × 0.208 × 0.136	0.588 × 0.151 × 0.092
Crystal system	monoclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic
Space group	<i>C2/c</i>	<i>C2/c</i>	<i>C2/c</i>
<i>a</i> /pm	1107.4(2)	1167.06(8)	1172.8(2)
<i>b</i> /pm	634.61(9)	725.85(5)	674.7(1)
<i>c</i> /pm	1159.0(2)	1225.33(9)	1209.3(2)
$\alpha$ /°	90	90	90
$\beta$ /°	103.419(3)	106.686(2)	102.080(3)
$\gamma$ /°	90	90	90
<i>V</i> /10 <sup>6</sup> pm <sup>3</sup>	792.2(2)	994.3(1)	935.8(2)
radiation /pm	71.073	71.073	71.073
$\rho_{calc}$ /g·cm <sup>-3</sup>	1.789	3.258	3.085
$\mu_{(MoK\alpha)}$ /mm <sup>-1</sup>	1.187	9.457	15.268
Measurement temp. /K	200.0	100.0	200.0
Absorption correction type	multi-scan	multi-scan	multi-scan
2 $\theta$ range /°	7.23 to 61.088	6.692 to 61.014	6.892 to 56.674
No. of measured reflections	7300	3787	9350
No. of independent reflections	1208	1507	1158
<i>R</i> <sub>(int)</sub>	0.0376	0.0279	0.0542
No. of parameters	48	47	47
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> ( <i>I</i> > 2 $\sigma$ ( <i>I</i> ))	0.0222	0.0272	0.0185
$\omega R_2$ (all data)	0.0528	0.0649	0.0423
<i>R</i> <sub>(sigma)</sub> (all data)	0.0255	0.0340	0.0304
GOF	1.081	1.114	1.093
$\Delta\rho_{max}, \Delta\rho_{min}$ /10 <sup>-6</sup> e·pm <sup>-3</sup>	0.35/-0.25	0.84/-1.74	0.57/-0.83

**Table S2** Crystallographic data for **4-6**. Deviations are given in brackets.

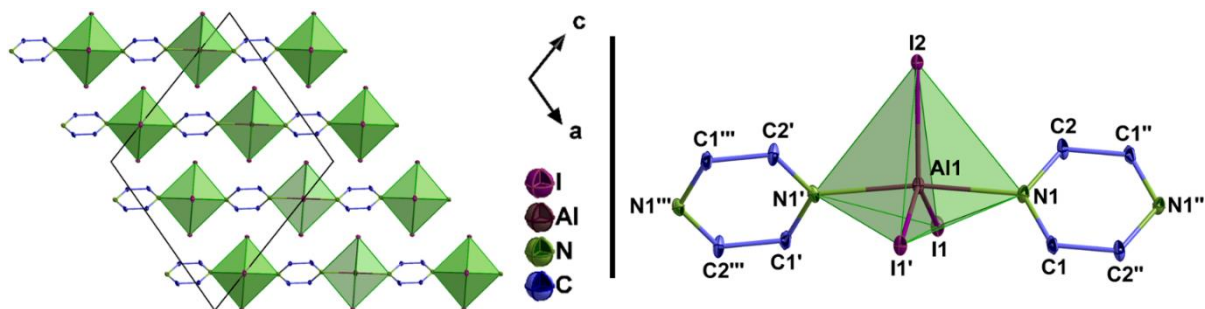
	<b>1</b> [InI <sub>3</sub> (pyz)] ( <b>4</b> )	<b>[(AlCl<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(pyz)<sub>5</sub>] (<b>5</b>)</b>	<b>[(InI<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>(pyz)] (<b>6</b>)</b>
Empirical formula	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>4</sub> I <sub>3</sub> InN <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>10</sub> AlCl <sub>3</sub> N <sub>5</sub>	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>4</sub> I <sub>6</sub> In <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub>
Formula weight /g·mol <sup>-1</sup>	575.61	333.56	1071.13
Crystal colour and shape	colourless block	colourless block	yellow block
Crystal size /mm <sup>3</sup>	0.425 × 0.195 × 0.131	0.261 × 0.213 × 0.163	0.131 × 0.126 × 0.126
Crystal system	monoclinic	monoclinic	triclinic
Space group	<i>C2/c</i>	<i>P2<sub>1</sub>/c</i>	<i>P</i> $\bar{1}$
<i>a</i> /pm	2027.9(1)	659.4(1)	654.6(1)
<i>b</i> /pm	977.07(7)	2566.9(4)	755.7(1)
<i>c</i> /pm	1451.5(1)	826.6(1)	980.7(1)
$\alpha$ /°	90	90	81.874(7)
$\beta$ /°	130.792(1)	99.160(5)	85.163(7)
$\gamma$ /°	90	90	69.183(6)
<i>V</i> /10 <sup>6</sup> pm <sup>3</sup>	2177.4(3)	1381.4(4)	448.6(1)
radiation /pm	71.073	71.073	71.073
$\rho_{calc}$ /g·cm <sup>-3</sup>	3.512	1.604	3.965
$\mu_{(MoK\alpha)}$ /mm <sup>-1</sup>	10.621	0.719	12.869
Measurement temp. /K	200.0	100.0	100.0
Absorption correction type	multi-scan	multi-scan	multi-scan
2 $\theta$ range /°	4.942 to 56.556	5.238 to 54.962	4.198 to 56.52
No. of measured reflections	17430	29699	19532
No. of independent reflections	2695	3180	2223
<i>R</i> <sub>(int)</sub>	0.0574	0.0702	0.0526
No. of parameters	92	172	64
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> ( <i>I</i> > 2 $\sigma$ ( <i>I</i> ))	0.0230	0.0275	0.0171
$\omega R_2$ (all data)	0.0564	0.0613	0.0397
<i>R</i> <sub>(sigma)</sub> (all data)	0.0345	0.0352	0.0243
GOF	1.062	0.951	1.112
$\Delta\rho_{max}, \Delta\rho_{min}$ /10 <sup>-6</sup> e·pm <sup>-3</sup>	0.96/-1.06	0.34/-0.26	0.70/-1.16

**Table S3** Pawley refinements for **1**, **2** and **4**. Deviations are given in brackets.

	$\text{[AlCl}_3(\text{pyz})]$ ( <b>1</b> )	$\text{[AlI}_3(\text{pyz})]$ ( <b>2</b> )	$\text{[InI}_3(\text{pyz})]$ ( <b>4</b> )
Crystal system	monoclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic
Space group	<i>C2/c</i>	<i>C2/c</i>	<i>C2/c</i>
<i>a</i> /pm	1113.27(4)	1180.29(7)	2043.8(3)
<i>b</i> /pm	638.40(3)	731.88(5)	985.9(1)
<i>c</i> /pm	1163.48(4)	1239.26(7)	1460.9(2)
$\alpha$ /°	90	90	90
$\beta$ /°	103.65(1)	107.42(1)	131.01(1)
$\gamma$ /°	90	90	90
Rwp /%	7.86	6.96	4.67
GOF	2.07	1.02	1.30

**Figure S1:** Crystal structure of  $\text{[AlCl}_3(\text{pyz})]$  (**1**) with a view along [010] (Left) and extended coordination of Al<sup>3+</sup> in **1** (Right). The polyhedra of the one-dimensional coordination polymer are highlighted in green and thermal ellipsoids shown at 50 % probability level. For better clarity, all hydrogen-atoms are omitted. Symmetry operations: I = 1-x, y, 1.5-z, 0.5-z; II = 0.5+x, 0.5-y, 0.5+z; III = 0.5-x, 0.5-y, 1-z.**Table S4** Interatomic distances and angles of **1**. Deviations are given in brackets. Symmetry operations: I = 1-x, y, 1.5-z, 0.5-z.

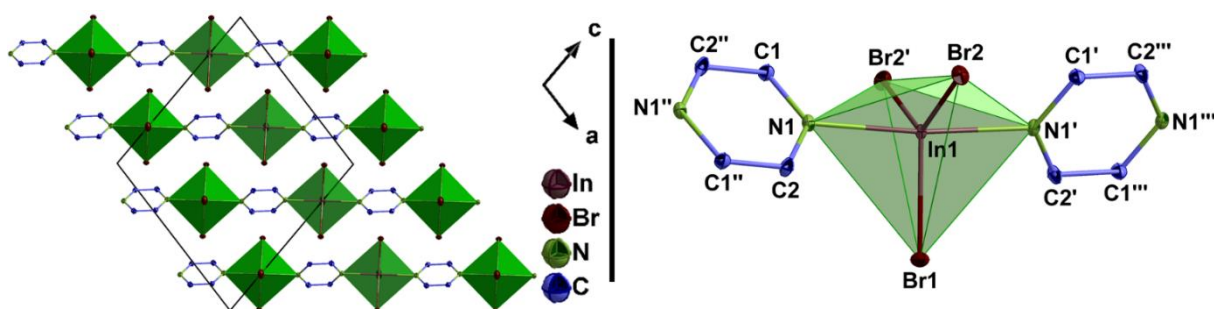
Atoms	distances /pm	atoms	angles /°
Al1-N1	212.54(9)	N1-Al-N1'	175.08(4)
Al1-N1'	212.54(9)	N1-Al1-Cl1	90.625(3)
Al1-Cl1	215.60(5)	N1-Al1-Cl1'	87.144(3)
Al1-Cl1'	215.60(5)	N1-Al1-Cl2	92.459(3)
Al1-Cl2	214.51(7)	N1'-Al1-Cl1	87.144(3)
C1-C2	138.2(2)	N1'-Al1-Cl1'	90.625(3)
C1-N1	133.8(2)	N1'-Al1-Cl2	92.459(3)
C2-N2	133.6(2)	Cl1-Al1-Cl2	116.97(1)
		Cl2-Al1-Cl1'	116.97(1)
		Cl1'-Al-Cl1	126.07(1)



**Figure S2:** Crystal structure of  $[\text{AlI}_3(\text{py}_2\text{z})]$  (**2**) with a view along [010] (Left) and extended coordination of  $\text{Al}^{3+}$  in **2** (Right). The polyhedra of the one-dimensional coordination polymer are highlighted in green and thermal ellipsoids shown at 50 % probability level. For better clarity, all hydrogen-atoms are omitted. Symmetry operations: I =  $1-x, y, 0.5-z$ ; II =  $1.5-x, 1.5-y, 1-z$ ; III =  $0.5+x, 1.5-y, -0.5+z$ .

**Table S5** Interatomic distances and angles of **2**. Deviations are given in brackets. Symmetry operations: I =  $1-x, y, 0.5-z$ .

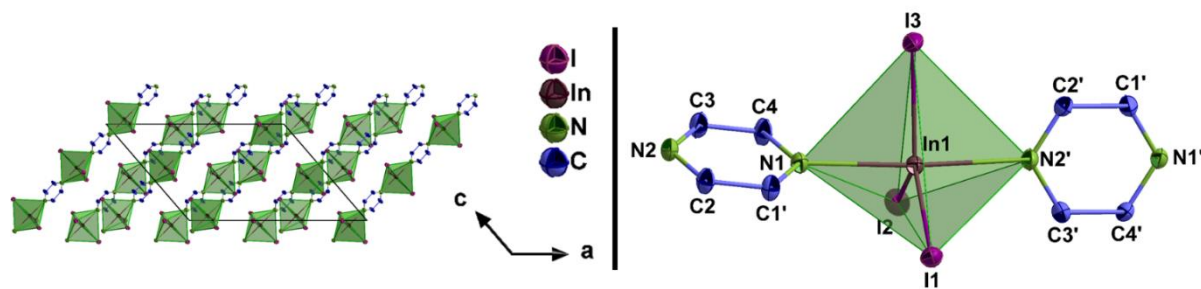
Atoms	distances /pm	atoms	angles /°
Al1-N1	218.3(3)	N1-Al-N1 <sup>I</sup>	170.7(1)
Al1-N1 <sup>I</sup>	218.3(3)	N1-Al1-I1	85.69(9)
Al1-I1	256.41(7)	N1-Al1-I1 <sup>I</sup>	90.52(9)
Al1-I1 <sup>I</sup>	256.41(7)	N1-Al1-I2	94.65(8)
Al1-I2	254.9(2)	N1 <sup>I</sup> -Al1-I1	90.52(9)
C1-C2	138.7(5)	N1 <sup>I</sup> -Al1-I1 <sup>I</sup>	85.69(9)
C1-N1	133.7(5)	N1 <sup>I</sup> -Al1-I2	94.65(8)
C2-N1	134.5(6)	I1-Al1-I2	114.078(5)
		I2-Al1-I1 <sup>I</sup>	114.078(5)
		I1 <sup>I</sup> -Al1-I1	131.844(8)



**Figure S3:** Crystal structure of  $[\text{InBr}_3(\text{py}_2\text{z})]$  (**3**) with a view along [010] (Left) and extended coordination of  $\text{In}^{3+}$  in **3** (Right). The polyhedra of the one-dimensional coordination polymer are highlighted in green and thermal ellipsoids are shown at 50 % probability level. For better clarity, all hydrogen-atoms are omitted. Symmetry operations: I =  $1-x, y, 1.5-z$ ; II =  $0.5-x, 0.5-y, 1-z$ ; III =  $0.5+x, 0.5-y, 0.5+z$ .

**Table S6** Interatomic distances and angles of **3**. Deviations are given in brackets. Symmetry operations: I =  $1-x, y, 1.5-z$ .

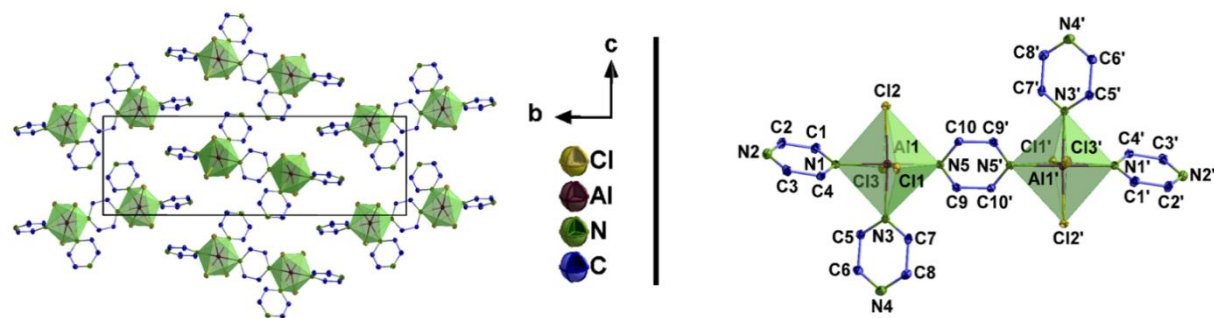
Atoms	distances /pm	atoms	angles /°
In1-N1	236.7(2)	N1-In1-N1 <sup>I</sup>	173.79(7)
In1-N1 <sup>I</sup>	236.7(2)	N1-In1-Br1	93.10(5)
In1-Br1	249.19(6)	N1-In1-Br2 <sup>I</sup>	89.99(5)
In1-Br2 <sup>I</sup>	249.71(4)	N1-In1-Br2	87.40(5)
N1-Br2	249.71(4)	N1 <sup>I</sup> -In1-Br1	93.10(5)
C1-C2	139.0(3)	N1 <sup>I</sup> -In1-Br2 <sup>I</sup>	87.40(5)
C1-N1	134.0(3)	N1 <sup>I</sup> -In1-Br2	89.99(5)
C2-N1	133.5(3)	Br1-In1-Br2 <sup>I</sup>	114.907(8)
		Br1-In1-Br2	114.907(8)
		Br2 <sup>I</sup> -In1-Br2	130.185(8)



**Figure S4:** Crystal structure of  $[\text{InI}_3(\text{py}_2\text{z})]$  (**4**) with a view along [010] (Left) and extended coordination of  $\text{In}^{3+}$  in **4** (Right). The polyhedra of the one-dimensional coordination polymer are highlighted in green and thermal ellipsoids are shown at 50 % probability level. For better clarity, all hydrogen-atoms are omitted. Symmetry operations:  $I = -0.5+x, 0.5-y, -0.5+z$ .

**Table S7** Interatomic distances and angles of **4**. Deviations are given in brackets. Symmetry operations:  $I = -0.5+x, 0.5-y, -0.5+z$ .

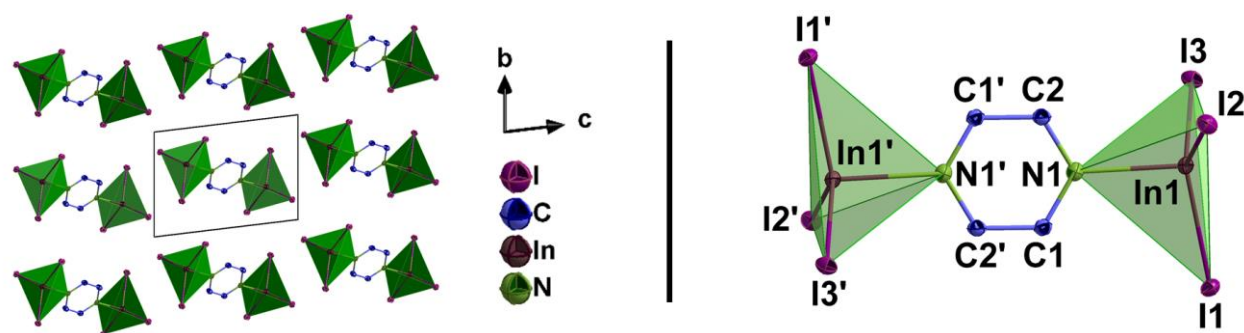
Atoms	distances /pm	atoms	angles /°
In1-N1	246.5(3)	N1-In1-N2 <sup>I</sup>	175.7(1)
In1-N2 <sup>I</sup>	247.2(3)	N1-In1-I1	92.62(7)
In1-I1	269.02(5)	N1-In1-I2	90.59(9)
In1-I2	269.23(7)	N1-In1-I3	85.88(7)
In1-I3	269.26(5)	N2 <sup>I</sup> -In1-I1	91.34(7)
C-C/C=C (range)	137.5(5)-139.7(4)	N2 <sup>I</sup> -In1-I2	89.13(9)
C-N (range)	132.5(5)-134.0(6)	N2 <sup>I</sup> -In1-I3	90.59(7)
		I1-In1-I2	117.12(1)
		I1-In1-I3	121.43(1)
		I2-In1-I3	121.43(1)



**Figure S5:** Crystal structure of  $[(\text{AlCl}_3)_2(\text{pyz})_5]$  (**5**) with a view along  $[100]$  (Left) and extended coordination of  $\text{Al}^{3+}$  in **5** (Right). The polyhedra of the monomeric complexes are highlighted in green and thermal ellipsoids shown at 50 % probability level. For better clarity, all hydrogen-atoms are omitted. Symmetry operations:  $l = -x, 1-y, 1-z$ .

**Table S8** Interatomic distances and angles of **5**. Deviations are given in brackets.

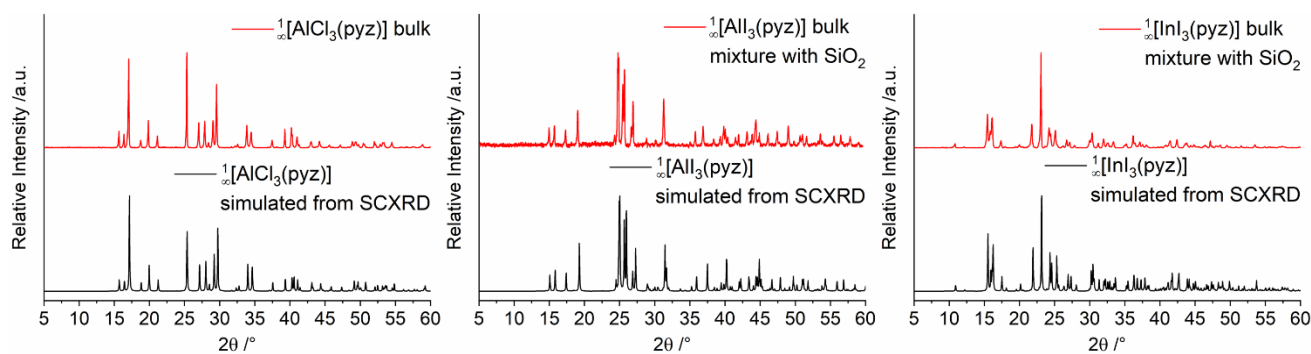
Atoms	distances /pm	atoms	angles /°
Al1-N1	207.9(1)	N1-Al1-N5	178.20(6)
Al1-N5	210.7(1)	N1-Al1-N3	87.73(6)
Al1-N3	212.1(1)	N1-Al1-Cl2	88.91(4)
Al1-Cl12	224.97(7)	N1-Al1-Cl3	93.41(4)
Al1-Cl2	226.87(8)	N1-Al1-Cl1	92.30(4)
Al1-Cl3	228.67(8)	N5-Al1-N3	91.39(6)
C-C/C=C (range)	138.3(3)-139.2(3)	N5-Al1-Cl2	91.98(4)
C-N (range)	133.0(2)-135.1(2)	N5-Al1-Cl3	88.09(4)
		N5-Al1-Cl1	86.08(4)
		N3-Al1-Cl2	176.63(5)
		N3-Al1-Cl3	86.00(4)
		N3-Al1-Cl1	86.30(4)
		Cl2-Al1-Cl3	94.22(2)
		Cl2-Al1-Cl1	93.82(3)
		Cl3-Al1-Cl1	170.22(3)



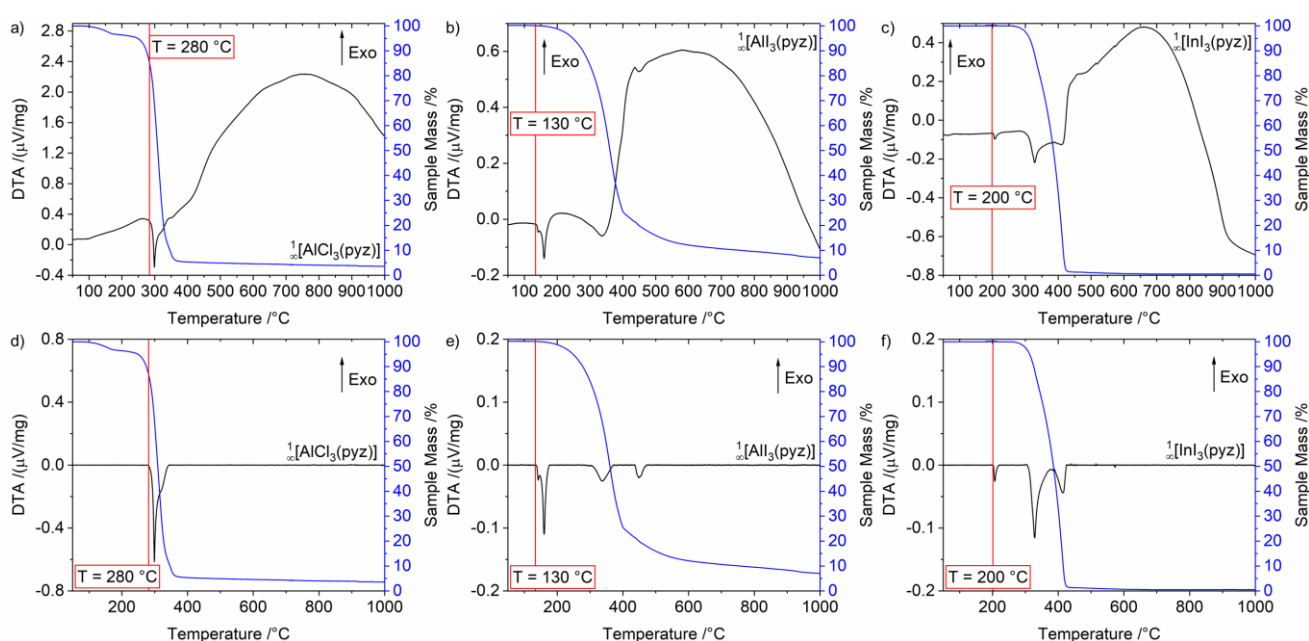
**Figure S6:** Crystal structure of  $[(\text{InI}_3)_2(\text{pyz})]$  (**6**) with a view along  $[100]$  (Left) and extended coordination of  $\text{In}^{3+}$  in **6** (Right). The polyhedra of the monomeric complexes are highlighted in green and thermal ellipsoids shown at 50 % probability level. For better clarity, all hydrogen-atoms are omitted. Symmetry operations:  $l = -x, 1-y, 1-z$ .

**Table S9** Interatomic distances and angles of **6**. Deviations are given in brackets.

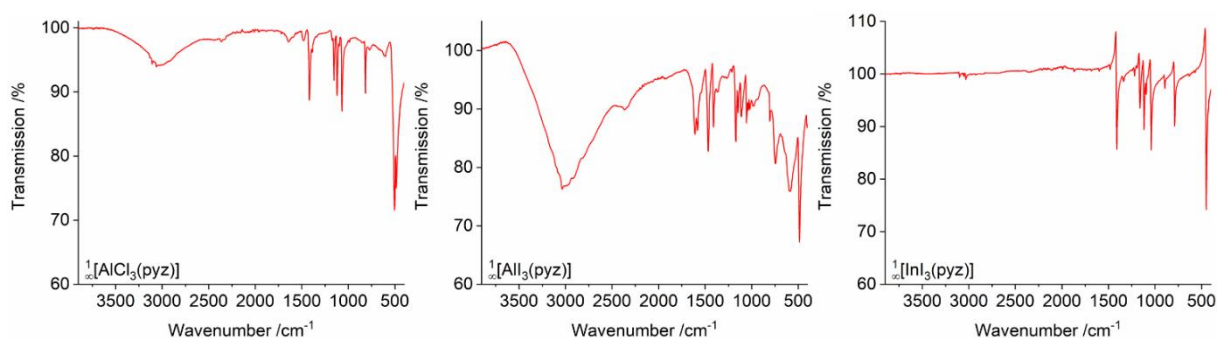
Atoms	distances /pm	atoms	angles /°
In1-N1	231.2(3)	N1-In1-I2	96.91(7)
In1-I2	265.23(4)	N1-In1-I3	97.99(7)
In1-I3	267.34(5)	N1-In1-I1	99.11(7)
In1-I1	268.91(4)	I2-In1-I3	117.70(1)
C1'-C2	138.4(4)	I2-In1-I1	121.72(1)
C1-N1	133.6(4)	I3-In1-I1	114.85(1)
C2-N1	133.8(4)		



**Figure S7:** Comparison of the experimental (Red, Top) and simulated (Black, Bottom) diffraction pattern of **1** (Left), **2** (Center) and **4** (Right). ( $\text{Cu-K}\alpha_1 = 154.1 \text{ pm}$ ).

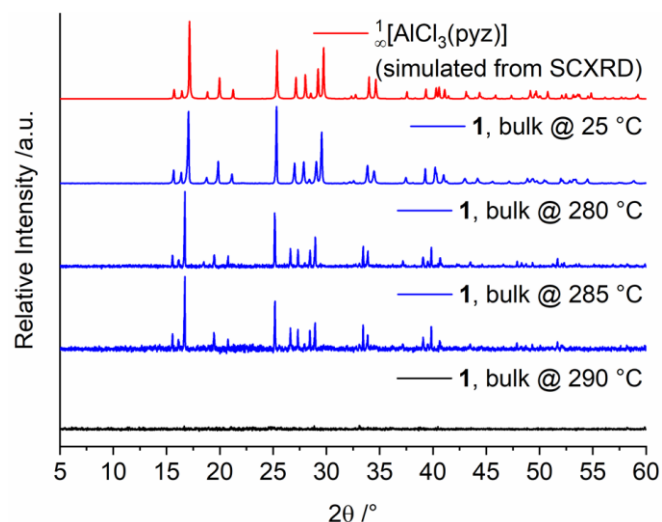


**Figure S8:** Simultaneous DTA/TG with (Bottom) and without (Top) baseline corrected data of **1** (Left), **2** (Center) and **4** (Right). All measurements were performed in a constant argon flow of  $50 \text{ mL}\cdot\text{min}^{-1}$  with a heating rate of  $5 \text{ K}\cdot\text{min}^{-1}$  from room temperature to  $1000^\circ\text{C}$ .

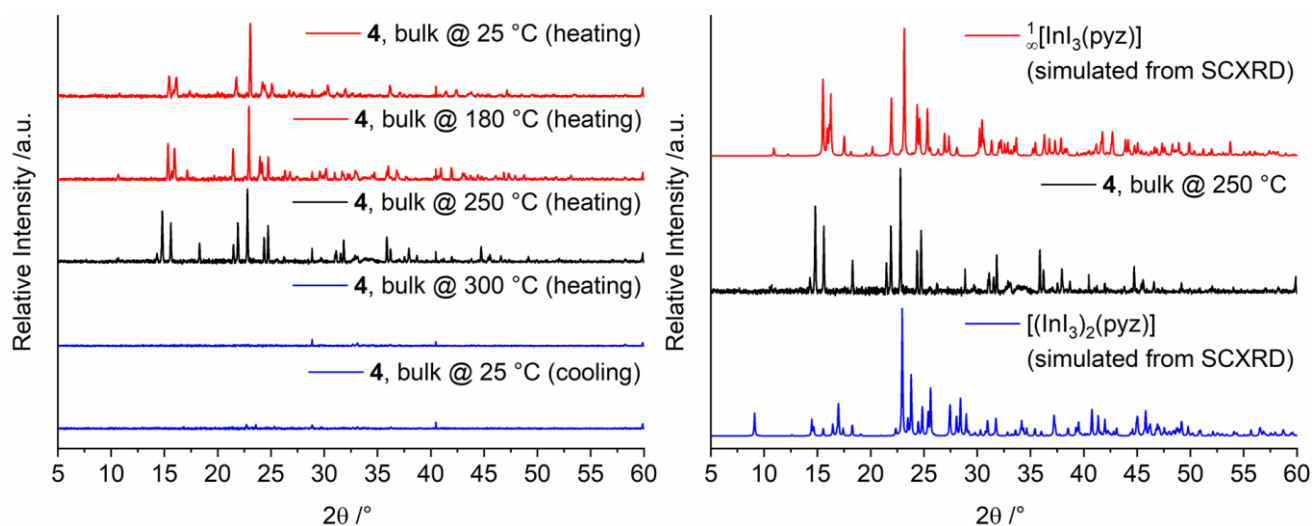


**Figure S9:** Infrared spectra (ATR) of **1** (Left), **2** (Center) and **4** (Right).





**Figure S10** HT-PXRD measurement of bulk **1**, showing the diffraction patterns at different temperatures of 25 °C, 280 °C, 285 °C and 295 °C together with the pattern simulated from SCXRD data of **1**. (Cu-K $\alpha_1$  = 154.1 pm).



**Figure S11** HT-PXRD measurement, showing the diffraction patterns of bulk **4** at different temperatures of 25 °C, 180 °C, 250 °C, 300 °C and after the measurement at 25 °C (Left). Comparison of the formed, unknown phase at 250 °C (Black) with the patterns simulated from SCXRD data of **4** (Red) and **6** (Blue) (Right). (Cu-K $\alpha_1$  = 154.1 pm).