

Synthesis of Double and Quadruple Butterfly Fe/E Cluster Complexes via a New Type of Selenium-Centered Anions $(\mu\text{-RE})(\mu\text{-Se}^-)[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})$ (E = S, Se, Te) Derived from Novel Reaction of $(\mu\text{-RE})(\mu\text{-CO})[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]^-$ with $(\mu\text{-Se}_2)\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6$. Crystal Structures of $\mu_4\text{-Se}$ -Containing Double Clusters $(\mu\text{-EtS})(\mu\text{-PhCH}_2\text{Se})[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})$, $(\mu\text{-}p\text{-MeC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Se})(\mu\text{-MeSe})[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})$, and $(\mu\text{-}p\text{-MeC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Te})(\mu\text{-MeSe})[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})$

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The $[\text{Et}_3\text{NH}]^+$ or $[\text{MgBr}]^+$ salts of anions $(\mu\text{-RE})(\mu\text{-CO})\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6^-$ (**1**, E = S, Se, Te) reacted with $(\mu\text{-Se}_2)\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6$ followed by treatment of the $[\text{Et}_3\text{NH}]^+$ or $[\text{MgBr}]^+$ salts of the intermediate selenium-centered anions $(\mu\text{-RE})(\mu\text{-Se}^-)[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})$ (**3**) with monohalide PhCH_2Br or MeI to give a series of double butterfly Fe/E cluster complexes $(\mu\text{-RE})(\mu\text{-R}^1\text{Se})[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})$ (**4**, RE = EtS, $\text{R}^1 = \text{PhCH}_2$; **5**, *t*-BuS, PhCH_2 ; **6**, *p*-MeC₆H₄Se, PhCH_2 ; **7**, *p*-MeC₆H₄Se, Me; **8**, *p*-MeC₆H₄Te, PhCH_2 ; **9**, *p*-MeC₆H₄Te, Me). Similarly, reaction of the in situ prepared $[\text{Et}_3\text{NH}]^+$ salt of the intermediate selenium-centered anion $(\mu\text{-}t\text{-BuS})(\mu\text{-Se}^-)[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})$ with dihalide 1,2-(BrCH₂)₂C₆H₄ or 1,3-(BrCH₂)₂-5-MeC₆H₃ afforded quadruple butterfly Fe/E cluster $\{(\mu\text{-}t\text{-BuS})[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})\}_2(\mu\text{-1-SeCH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{CH}_2\text{Se-2-}\mu)$ (**10**) or double butterfly Fe/E cluster $(\mu\text{-}t\text{-BuS})[(\mu\text{-1-SeCH}_2\text{-3-BrCH}_2\text{-5-MeC}_6\text{H}_3)[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})$ (**11**) and quadruple butterfly Fe/E cluster $\{(\mu\text{-}t\text{-BuS})[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})\}_2(\mu\text{-1-SeCH}_2\text{-5-MeC}_6\text{H}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Se-3-}\mu)$ (**12**), respectively. All the new products **4–11** have been characterized by elemental analysis, IR, ¹H and ⁷⁷Se NMR spectroscopy, and for **4**, **7**, and **9** single-crystal X-ray diffraction techniques.

Introduction

The $\mu\text{-CO}$ -bridged anions of type $(\mu\text{-RE})(\mu\text{-CO})\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6^-$ (**1**, E = S, Se, Te) are rich in chemical reactivities and have been extensively used as an important class of synthon to synthesize a variety of novel cluster complexes.^{1–23} In previous papers^{18–20} we reported that

anions **1** reacted with $(\mu\text{-S}_2)\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6$ in THF at room temperature (for E = S) or from -78 °C to room temperature (for E = Se, Te) to give a new type of

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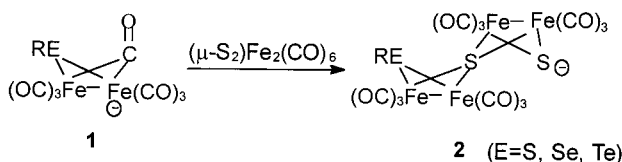
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Scheme 1



butterfly Fe/E cluster sulfur-centered anions $(\mu\text{-RE})(\mu\text{-S}^-)[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-S})$ (**2**) (Scheme 1).

In view of the similarity of $(\mu\text{-S}_2)\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6$ ²⁴ with its selenium analogue $(\mu\text{-Se}_2)\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6$ ²⁵ in structure and reactivity, it might be expected that anions **1** would react with $(\mu\text{-Se}_2)\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6$ through a similar process,¹⁸ which involves an initially nucleophilic attack of the negatively charged Fe atom of **1** at the Se atom of $(\mu\text{-Se}_2)\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6$ followed by coordination of the $\mu_3\text{-Se}$ atom of the intermediate m_1 to another Fe atom and concomitant loss of the $\mu\text{-CO}$ ligand, to give another new type of butterfly Fe/E cluster selenium-centered anions $(\mu\text{-RE})(\mu\text{-Se}^-)[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})$ (**3**) (Scheme 2).

In this paper we describe the formation of such a new type of selenium-centered anions **3** and their in situ reactions with organic mono- and dihalides, as well as the structural characterization of the products by means of spectroscopic and X-ray diffraction techniques.

Results and Discussion

Formation of Anions 3 and Their Reactions with Organic Halides. Synthesis and Spectroscopic Characterization of 4–12. As the expectation mentioned above, the $[\text{Et}_3\text{NH}]^+$ salts of anions $[(\mu\text{-RE})(\mu\text{-CO})\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]^-$ (E = S, Se) (**1**) (prepared from $\text{Fe}_3(\text{CO})_{12}$, REH (E = S, Se), and Et_3N) or the $[\text{MgBr}]^+$ salts of anions $[(\mu\text{-RE})(\mu\text{-CO})\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]^-$ (E = Te) (**1**) (prepared from RMgBr , elemental Te, and $\text{Fe}_3(\text{CO})_{12}$) reacted with $(\mu\text{-Se}_2)\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6$ in THF at -78°C to give the corresponding salts of the selenium-centered anions $(\mu\text{-RE})(\mu\text{-Se}^-)[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})$ (E = S, Se, Te) (**3**) (Scheme 2), which reacted further with an excess amount of organic monohalides MeI and PhCH_2Br to produce a series of double butterfly Fe/E cluster complexes $(\mu\text{-RE})(\mu\text{-R}^1\text{Se})[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})$ (**4–9**) (Scheme 3).

Similarly, if the $[\text{Et}_3\text{NH}]^+$ salt of the anion **3** (RE = *t*-BuS) reacted in situ with an excess quantity of dihalides 1,2-(BrCH_2)₂ C_6H_4 or 1,3,5-(BrCH_2)₂ MeC_6H_3 , the corresponding quadruple butterfly Fe/E cluster complex $\{(\mu\text{-}t\text{-BuS})[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})\}_2(\mu\text{-1-SeCH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{-CH}_2\text{Se-}2\text{-}\mu)$ (**10**) or the corresponding double butterfly Fe/E cluster complex $(\mu\text{-}t\text{-BuS})[(\mu\text{-1-SeCH}_2\text{-3-BrCH}_2\text{-5-MeC}_6\text{H}_3)[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})]$ (**11**) and quadruple butterfly Fe/E cluster complex $\{(\mu\text{-}t\text{-BuS})[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})\}_2(\mu\text{-1-SeCH}_2\text{-5-MeC}_6\text{H}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Se-}3\text{-}\mu)$ (**12**) were obtained, respectively (Scheme 4).

The butterfly clusters **4–12** are air-stable, red solids, which have been characterized by elemental analysis and spectroscopy. The IR spectra of **4–12** showed

several strong and very strong absorption bands in the range 2082–1962 cm^{-1} for their $\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_3$ structural units, whereas the ^1H NMR spectra of **4–12** exhibited several resonance signals for their respective organic groups. For example, while product **5** showed one singlet at 1.47 ppm for *t*-Bu, one singlet at 4.03 ppm for CH_2 , and one multiplet in the range 7.40–7.34 ppm for the Ph group, product **12** displayed one singlet at 1.43 ppm for *t*-Bu, one singlet at 2.35 ppm for Me attached to the benzene ring, one singlet at 3.76 ppm for CH_2 attached to the Se atom, and one multiplet in the range 7.15–7.00 ppm for the three protons of the benzene ring. It is worth noting that although the two protons of each CH_2 group attached to the benzene ring in clusters **4–6**, **8**, and **10–12** are diastereotopic, they showed only one singlet, but not an AB quartet. This observation could be possibly attributed to the negligible influence of the chiral cluster moiety on the attached CH_2 group. Since ^{77}Se NMR spectroscopy is a powerful tool for characterization of organometallic selenium complexes,²⁶ we determined the ^{77}Se NMR spectra of clusters **4–12**. It is interesting to note that the ^{77}Se NMR spectra of these clusters all showed one singlet for the $\mu_4\text{-Se}$ atoms (each attached to four $\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_3$ electron-withdrawing groups) in the range of lower field 278.92–346.38 ppm and one singlet for the $\mu_2\text{-Se}$ atoms (each attached to two $\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_3$ electron-withdrawing groups and one corresponding organic group) in the range of higher field 83.44–272.04 ppm, respectively. Although the ^{77}Se NMR data of $\mu_2\text{-Se}$ in some similar compounds were reported,^{17,18} such $\mu_4\text{-Se}$ ^{77}Se NMR data are reported here for the first time. In addition, it is worthy of note that clusters **6** and **7** exhibited three singlets for their three different Se atoms and the others displayed two singlets for their two different Se atoms. This can be clearly seen from Figure 1, as exemplified by clusters **5** and **6**.

Finally, it should be pointed out that since clusters **4–12** are $\mu_4\text{-Se}$ -containing complexes, the R, R^1 , 1,2-(CH_2)₂ C_6H_4 or 1- CH_2 -3- BrCH_2 -5- MeC_6H_3 , and 1,3-(CH_2)₂-5- MeC_6H_3 organic groups are all attached to the bridged S, Se, and Te atoms by an equatorial (but not axial) type of bond, to avoid the strong steric repulsions of the axially bonded structural unit at $\mu_4\text{-Se}$ with the corresponding organic group.^{9,14,24b} This is completely consistent with the ^1H and ^{77}Se NMR data discussed above and has been further confirmed by X-ray crystal diffraction analyses for clusters **4**, **7**, and **9**.

Crystal Molecular Structures of 4, 7, and 9. To further confirm the structures of clusters **4–12**, single-crystal X-ray diffraction analyses for **4**, **7**, and **9** were carried out. Tables 1–3 list the selected bond lengths and angles. Figures 2–4 show their molecular structures.

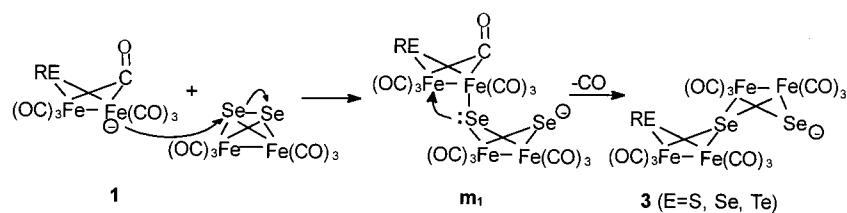
As can be seen from Figures 2–4, the molecules of **4**, **7**, and **9** indeed consist of two different structural units, $(\mu\text{-EtS})\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6$ and $(\mu\text{-PhCH}_2\text{Se})\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6$ for **4**, $(\mu\text{-}p\text{-MeC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Se})\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6$ and $(\mu\text{-MeSe})\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6$ for **7**, and $(\mu\text{-}p\text{-MeC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Te})\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6$ and $(\mu\text{-MeSe})\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6$ for **9**, joined together by a spiro-type four-coordinate Se atom, $\mu_4\text{-Se}$. In each molecule of **4**, **7**, and **9** this $\mu_4\text{-Se}$ is situated on the center of a distorted tetrahedron constructed by

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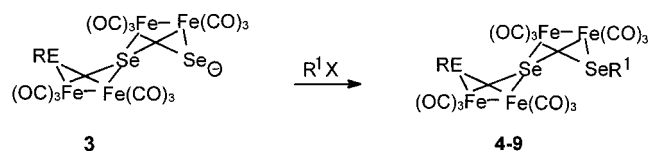
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Scheme 2



Scheme 3



	4	5	6	7	8	9
RE	EtS	<i>t</i> -BuS	<i>p</i> -MeC ₆ H ₄ Se	<i>p</i> -MeC ₆ H ₄ Se	<i>p</i> -MeC ₆ H ₄ Te	<i>p</i> -MeC ₆ H ₄ Te
R ¹	PhCH ₂	PhCH ₂	PhCH ₂	Me	PhCH ₂	Me

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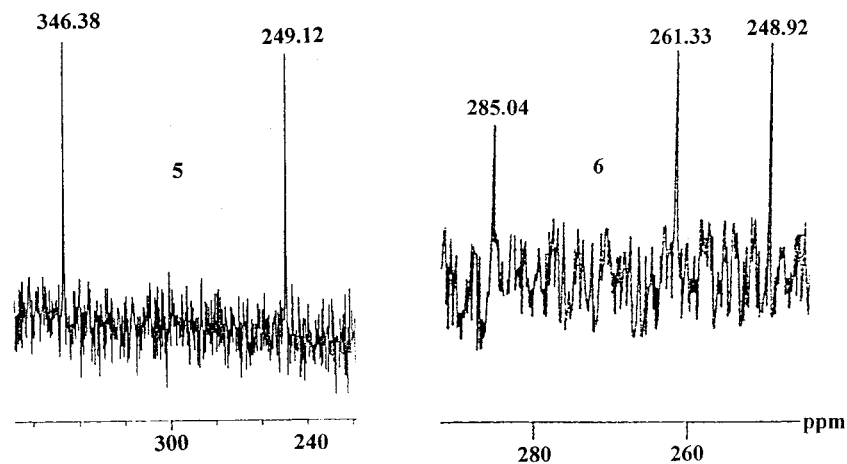
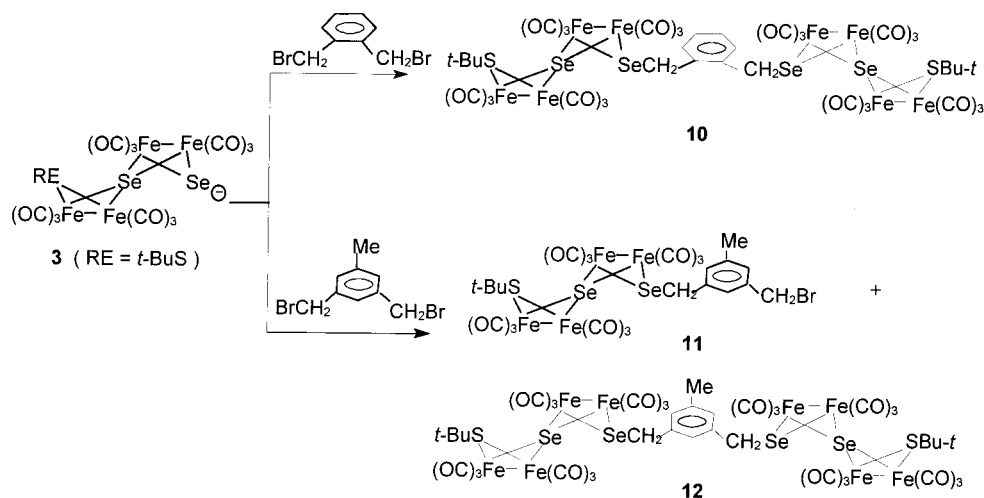


Figure 1. ⁷⁷Se NMR spectra of compounds **5** and **6**.

four Fe atoms, and the two different alkylchalcogenido ligands bridge the four Fe atoms to form a double butterfly Fe/E (E = S, Se, Te) cluster complex.

Although the two μ_4 -Se-containing analogues with identical alkylchalcogenido ligands μ_4 -selenidobis[μ -ethylsulfido]hexacarbonyldiiron] (abbreviated as SESU,

hereafter), $[(\mu\text{-EtS})\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})$,¹⁴ and μ_4 -selenidobis[μ -4-tolylselenido]hexacarbonyldiiron] (abbreviated as STSE, hereafter), $[(\mu\text{-}p\text{-MeC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Se})\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})$,²⁷ are known to be structurally characterized, clusters **4**, **7**, and **9** are so far the first examples of μ_4 -Se double butterfly Fe/E clusters with different alkylchalcogenido

Table 1. Selected Bond Lengths (Å) and Angles (deg) for 4

Se(1)–Fe(4)	2.3462(12)	Se(1)–Fe(3)	2.3500(12)
Se(1)–Fe(1)	2.3619(13)	Se(1)–Fe(2)	2.3629(12)
Se(2)–C(13)	2.004(7)	Se(2)–Fe(3)	2.3856(14)
Se(2)–Fe(4)	2.3896(13)	Fe(1)–S(1)	2.269(2)
Fe(1)–Fe(2)	2.5646(17)	Fe(2)–S(1)	2.260(3)
Fe(3)–Fe(4)	2.5938(14)	S(1)–C(20)	1.838(10)
Fe(4)–Se(1)–Fe(3)	67.05(4)	Fe(3)–Se(1)–Fe(1)	129.27(5)
Fe(4)–Se(1)–Fe(2)	135.63(5)	Fe(3)–Se(1)–Fe(2)	131.94(5)
Fe(1)–Se(1)–Fe(2)	65.75(4)	Fe(3)–Se(2)–Fe(4)	65.80(4)
S(1)–Fe(1)–Se(1)	76.58(7)	Se(1)–Fe(1)–Fe(2)	57.14(4)
S(1)–Fe(1)–Fe(2)	55.33(8)	Se(1)–Fe(3)–Se(2)	79.01(4)
Se(1)–Fe(3)–Fe(4)	56.40(3)	Se(2)–Fe(3)–Fe(4)	57.17(4)

Table 2. Selected Bond Lengths (Å) and Angles (deg) for 7

Se(2)–Fe(1)	2.3499(14)	Se(1)–Fe(1)	2.3908(17)
Fe(1)–Fe(2)	2.6005(18)	Fe(2)–Se(2)	2.3520(15)
Fe(2)–Se(1)	2.3816(17)	Fe(3)–Se(2)	2.3628(15)
Fe(3)–Se(3)	2.4021(16)	Fe(3)–Fe(4)	2.594(2)
Fe(4)–Se(2)	2.3467(15)	Fe(4)–Se(3)	2.3974(16)
Se(1)–C(13)	1.960(11)	Se(3)–C(14)	1.944(9)
Se(2)–Fe(1)–Se(1)	78.60(5)	Se(2)–Fe(1)–Fe(2)	56.46(4)
Se(1)–Fe(1)–Fe(2)	56.81(5)	Se(2)–Fe(2)–Se(1)	78.74(5)
Se(2)–Fe(3)–Fe(4)	56.28(5)	Se(3)–Fe(3)–Fe(4)	57.19(5)
Fe(2)–Se(1)–Fe(1)	66.04(5)	Fe(4)–Se(2)–Fe(1)	135.60(6)
Fe(4)–Se(2)–Fe(2)	133.97(6)	Fe(1)–Se(2)–Fe(2)	67.16(5)
Fe(4)–Se(2)–Fe(3)	66.85(5)	Fe(3)–Se(3)–Fe(4)	65.44(5)

Table 3. Selected Bond Lengths (Å) and Angles (deg) for 9

Te(1)–Fe(2)	2.5663(16)	Te(1)–Fe(1)	2.5673(17)
Fe(1)–Se(1)	2.3458(19)	Fe(1)–Fe(2)	2.608(2)
Fe(2)–Se(1)	2.3669(17)	Fe(3)–Se(1)	2.3614(19)
Fe(3)–Se(2)	2.3938(18)	Fe(3)–Fe(4)	2.575(2)
Fe(4)–Se(1)	2.3569(17)	Fe(4)–Se(2)	2.3980(19)
Fe(2)–Te(1)–Fe(1)	61.06(5)	Se(1)–Fe(1)–Te(1)	79.34(6)
Se(1)–Fe(1)–Fe(2)	56.79(5)	Te(1)–Fe(1)–Fe(2)	59.45(5)
Se(1)–Fe(2)–Te(1)	78.98(5)	Se(1)–Fe(2)–Fe(1)	56.02(5)
Te(1)–Fe(2)–Fe(1)	59.49(5)	Se(1)–Fe(3)–Se(2)	78.14(6)
Se(1)–Fe(3)–Fe(4)	56.83(5)	Se(2)–Fe(3)–Fe(4)	57.57(5)
Se(1)–Fe(4)–Fe(3)	57.00(5)	Se(2)–Fe(4)–Fe(3)	57.41(5)
Fe(1)–Se(1)–Fe(4)	133.71(7)	Se(1)–Fe(4)–Se(2)	78.14(6)
Fe(1)–Se(1)–Fe(2)	67.19(6)	Fe(3)–Se(1)–Fe(4)	66.16(6)

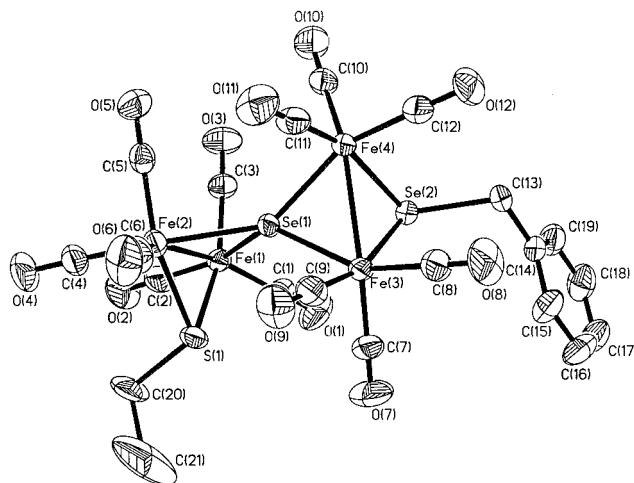
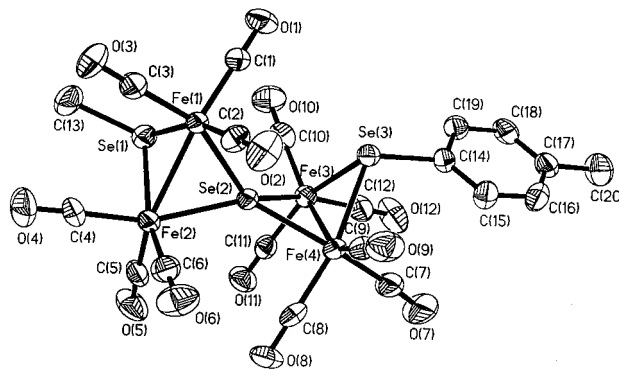
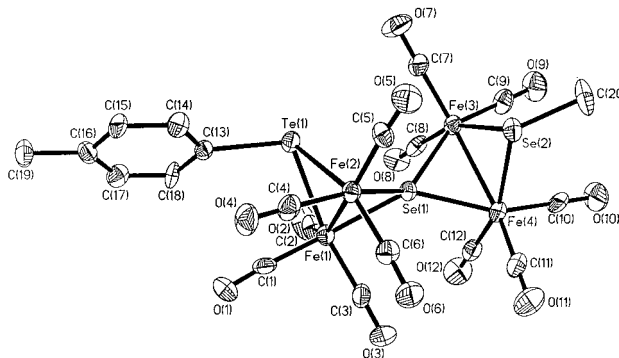
ligands prepared and characterized by crystal X-ray diffraction.

In fact, **4**, **7**, and **9** are structurally similar to those of their analogues SESU and STSE. It can be seen intuitively from Figures 2–4 that the two different organic groups (Et and PhCH₂ for **4**; *p*-MeC₆H₄ and Me for **7** and **9**), just like the two identical groups (Et in SESU; *p*-MeC₆H₄ in STSE), are attached to μ₂-chalcogen atoms by an equatorial type of bond.

Conclusions

The reductive cleavage of the Se–Se bond of (μ-Se₂)-Fe₂(CO)₆ by the Fe-centered anionic nucleophiles [(μ-RE)(μ-CO)Fe₂(CO)₆][−] (**1**, E = S, Se, Te) is first demonstrated to give a new type of selenium-centered anions (μ-RE)(μ-Se[−])[Fe₂(CO)₆]₂(μ₄-Se) (**3**). More interestingly, the in situ reactions of anions **3** with mono- and dihalides can afford a series of new Fe/E cluster complexes containing one or two double butterfly structural units (μ-RE)(μ-Se)[Fe₂(CO)₆]₂(μ₄-Se) (E = S, Se, Te). Apparently, these results highlight the possibility

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**Figure 2.** ORTEP drawing of **4** with atom-labeling scheme.**Figure 3.** ORTEP drawing of **7** with atom-labeling scheme.**Figure 4.** ORTEP drawing of **9** with atom-labeling scheme.

of practical applications in the synthesis of a new class of mixed transition metal/chalcogen butterfly cluster complexes.

Experimental Section

General Comments. All reactions were carried out under an atmosphere of highly purified nitrogen using standard Schlenk and vacuum-line techniques. Tetrahydrofuran (THF) was distilled under nitrogen from sodium/benzophenone ketyl, and triethylamine from potassium hydroxide. MeI, PhCH₂Br, EtSH, and *t*-BuSH were commercially available and used without further purification. Fe₃(CO)₁₂,²⁸ *p*-MeC₆H₄SeH,²⁹ (μ-Se)₂Fe₂(CO)₆,³⁰ 1,2-(BrCH₂)₂C₆H₄,³¹ and 1,3,5-(BrCH₂)₂-MeC₆H₃³² were prepared according to the literature. The

Table 4. Crystal Data and Structural Refinements Details for 4, 7, and 9

	4	7	9
mol formula	C ₂₁ H ₁₂ Fe ₄ O ₁₂ SSe ₂	C ₂₀ H ₁₀ Fe ₄ O ₁₂ Se ₃	C ₂₀ H ₁₀ Fe ₄ O ₁₂ Se ₂ Te
mol wt	869.69	902.56	951.20
cryst syst	orthorhombic	monoclinic	triclinic
space group	<i>Pbca</i>	<i>P2(1)/c</i>	<i>P1</i>
<i>a</i> /Å	9.3240(6)	19.1272(11)	9.217(3)
<i>b</i> /Å	17.5418(12)	9.1357(5)	10.060(3)
<i>c</i> /Å	36.729(3)	16.5772(9)	16.890(5)
α /deg	90	90	106.742(6)
β /deg	90	93.4400(10)	104.268(5)
γ /deg	90	90	90.759(6)
<i>V</i> /Å ³	6007.3(7)	2891.5(3)	1447.5(8)
<i>Z</i>	8	4	2
<i>D</i> _c /g cm ⁻³	1.923	2.073	2.182
<i>F</i> (000)	3376	1728	900
abs coeff/mm ⁻¹	4.441	5.799	5.522
temp/K	293	293	293
wavelength/Å	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073
scan type	ω -2 θ	ω -2 θ	ω -2 θ
2 θ _{max} /deg	50.06	50.02	50.04
no. of observns, <i>n</i>	5306	5077	5084
no. of variables, <i>p</i>	370	352	352
<i>R</i>	0.0548	0.0552	0.0511
<i>R</i> _w	0.1330	0.1138	0.0930
goodness of fit	1.124	1.290	0.853
largest diff peak and hole/e Å ⁻³	0.968 and -0.496	0.882 and -0.496	0.837 and -1.084

products were separated by TLC (20 × 25 × 0.25 cm, silica gel G) and further purified by recrystallization from mixed CH₂Cl₂/hexane solvent. IR spectra were recorded on a Nicolet 170 SX FT IR spectrophotometer, and ¹H NMR and ⁷⁷Se NMR spectra on a Bruker AC-P200 NMR spectrometer. Ph₂Se₂ was used as an external standard, and the chemical shifts were referenced to Me₂Se (δ 0) for ⁷⁷Se NMR spectra. C/H analyses were performed on an Elementa Vario EL analyzer. Melting points were determined on a Yanaco MP-500 apparatus.

Preparation of (μ -EtS)(μ -PhCH₂Se)[Fe₂(CO)₆]₂(μ -Se) (4). A 100 mL three-necked flask equipped with a magnetic stir-bar, a N₂ inlet tube, and a serum cap was charged with 0.275 g (0.55 mmol) of Fe₃(CO)₁₂, 15 mL of THF, 0.04 mL (0.54 mmol) of EtSH, and 0.08 mL (0.57 mmol) of Et₃N. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 0.5 h to give a yellow-brown solution, which was cooled to -78 °C. To this solution was slowly added 0.218 g (0.50 mmol) of (μ -Se)₂Fe₂(CO)₆ in 10 mL of THF. The mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 1.5 h, and then 0.12 mL (1.00 mmol) of PhCH₂Br was added. The mixture was warmed naturally to room temperature and was stirred for an additional 12 h. The resulting mixture was filtered, and the filtrate was condensed under reduced pressure. The residue was subjected to TLC separation using petroleum ether as eluent. The first major red band afforded 0.110 g (51%) of (μ -EtS)₂Fe₂(CO)₆, which was identified by comparison of its melting point and ¹H NMR spectrum with those of an authentic sample.³³ The second major red band gave 0.100 g (23%) of 4 as a red solid, mp 125 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for C₂₁H₁₂Fe₄O₁₂SSe₂: C, 29.00; H, 1.39. Found: C, 29.11; H, 1.23. IR (KBr disk): $\nu_{C=O}$, 2082(s), 2056(vs), 2032(vs), 1986(vs) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (acetone-*d*₆): 1.38(t, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 2.59(q, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 2H, CH₂), 4.03(s, 2H, CH₂Ph), 7.33–7.41(m, 5H, C₆H₅) ppm. ⁷⁷Se NMR (CDCl₃, Me₂Se): 247.97(s, SeCH₂Ph), 310.07(s, μ -Se) ppm.

Preparation of (μ -*t*-BuS)(μ -PhCH₂Se)[Fe₂(CO)₆]₂(μ -Se) (5). The procedure for preparation of 5 is similar to that of 4,

but using 0.05 mL (0.47 mmol) of *t*-BuSH instead of EtSH. The major band gave 0.313 g (70%) of 5 as a red solid, mp 146 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for C₂₃H₁₆Fe₄O₁₂SSe₂: C, 30.77; H, 1.80. Found: C, 30.49; H, 1.73. IR (KBr disk): $\nu_{C=O}$, 2078(s), 2032-(vs), 2014(s), 1995(vs), 1980(vs) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (acetone-*d*₆): 1.47(s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃), 4.03(s, 2H, CH₂), 7.34–7.40(m, 5H, C₆H₅) ppm. ⁷⁷Se NMR (CDCl₃, Me₂Se): 249.12(s, SeCH₂Ph), 346.38-(s, μ -Se) ppm.

Preparation of (μ -*p*-MeC₆H₄Se)(μ -PhCH₂Se)[Fe₂(CO)₆]₂(μ -Se) (6). The flask described above was charged with 0.275 g (0.55 mmol) of Fe₃(CO)₁₂, 15 mL of THF, 0.085 g (0.50 mmol) of *p*-MeC₆H₄SeH, and 0.08 mL (0.57 mmol) of Et₃N. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 0.5 h to give a brown-red solution, which was cooled to -78 °C. To this solution was slowly added 0.218 g (0.5 mmol) of (μ -Se)₂Fe₂(CO)₆ in 10 mL of THF. The mixture was stirred for 2 h at -78 °C, and then 0.12 mL (1.00 mmol) of PhCH₂Br was added. The mixture was warmed naturally to room temperature and was stirred for an additional 16 h. The resulting mixture was filtered, and the filtrate was condensed under reduced pressure. The residue was subjected to TLC separation using CH₂-Cl₂/petroleum ether (v/v = 1:20) as eluent. From the first brown-red band was obtained 0.060 g (19%) of (μ -*p*-MeC₆H₄Se)₂Fe₂(CO)₆, which was identified by comparison of its melting point and ¹H NMR spectrum with those of an authentic sample.¹¹ From the second red band was obtained 0.098 g (20%) of 6 as a red solid, mp 178 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for C₂₆H₁₄Fe₄O₁₂Se₃: C, 31.91; H, 1.44. Found: C, 31.87; H, 1.42. IR (KBr disk): $\nu_{C=O}$, 2078(s), 2031(vs), 2007(s), 1997(vs), 1988(vs), 1978-(s) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (acetone-*d*₆): 2.26(s, 3H, CH₃), 4.06(s, 2H, CH₂Ph), 7.10–7.42(m, 9H, C₆H₅, C₆H₄) ppm. ⁷⁷Se NMR (CDCl₃, Me₂Se): 248.92(s, SeCH₂Ph), 261.33(s, Se-Tol), 285.04(s, μ -Se) ppm.

Preparation of (μ -*p*-MeC₆H₄Se)(μ -MeSe)[Fe₂(CO)₆]₂(μ -Se) (7). The procedure for preparation of 7 is similar to that of 6, but using 0.06 mL (0.97 mmol) of MeI instead of PhCH₂-Br. From the first brown-red band was obtained 0.078 g (25%) of (μ -*p*-MeC₆H₄Se)₂Fe₂(CO)₆, which was identified by comparison of its melting point and ¹H NMR spectrum with those of an authentic sample.¹¹ From the second red band was obtained 0.081 g (18%) of 7 as a red solid, mp 152 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₁₀Fe₄O₁₂Se₃: C, 26.62; H, 1.12. Found: C, 26.69; H, 1.15. IR (KBr disk): $\nu_{C=O}$, 2066(s), 2034(vs), 2004(s), 1989(vs), 1966(s) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): 2.15(s, 3H, CH₃), 2.29(s, 3H,

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ArCH₃), 7.00–7.33(m, 4H, C₆H₄) ppm. ⁷⁷Se NMR (CDCl₃, Me₂Se): 83.44(s, SeCH₃), 260.70(s, SeCH₂Ph), 288.53(s, μ_4 -Se) ppm.

Preparation of (μ -*p*-MeC₆H₄Te)(μ -PhCH₂Se)[Fe₂(CO)₆]₂(μ_4 -Se) (8**).** The flask described above was charged with 0.383 g (3.0 mmol) of Te powder, 20 mL of THF, and 3.0 mmol of *p*-MeC₆H₄MgBr in THF. The mixture was refluxed for 2.5 h to give a brown-yellow solution. Upon cooling the solution to room temperature, 1.50 g (3.0 mmol) of Fe₃(CO)₁₂ was added, and the reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h. After cooling this mixture to -78 °C, 0.874 g (2.0 mmol) of (μ -Se₂)Fe₂(CO)₆ was added, the mixture was stirred for 1 h at this temperature, and 0.48 mL (4.0 mmol) of PhCH₂Br was added. The mixture was warmed naturally to room temperature and was stirred for an additional 18 h. The resulting mixture was filtered, and the filtrate was condensed under reduced pressure. The residue was subjected to TLC separation using CH₂Cl₂/petroleum ether (v/v = 1:20) as eluent. From the first major red band was obtained 0.270 g (25%) of (μ -*p*-MeC₆H₄Te)₂Fe₂(CO)₆, which was identified by comparison of its melting point and ¹H NMR spectrum with those of an authentic sample.⁹ From the second major orange-red band was obtained 0.237 g (12%) of **8** as a red solid, mp 185 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for C₂₆H₁₄Fe₄O₁₂Se₂Te: C, 30.40; H, 1.37. Found: C, 30.45; H, 1.40. IR (KBr disk): $\nu_{C=O}$, 2082(s), 2034(vs), 2001(vs), 1985(vs), 1969(vs) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): 2.32(s, 3H, CH₃), 3.84(s, 2H, CH₂), 7.03–7.42(m, 9H, C₆H₅, C₆H₄) ppm. ⁷⁷Se NMR (CDCl₃, Me₂Se): 250.89(s, SeCH₂Ph), 275.15(s, μ_4 -Se) ppm.

Preparation of (μ -*p*-MeC₆H₄Te)(μ -MeSe)[Fe₂(CO)₆]₂(μ_4 -Se) (9**).** The procedure for preparation of **9** is similar to that of **8**, but using 0.24 mL (4.0 mmol) of MeI instead of PhCH₂Br. From the first major red band was obtained 0.290 g (27%) of (μ -*p*-MeC₆H₄Te)₂Fe₂(CO)₆, which was identified by comparison of its melting point and ¹H NMR spectrum with those of an authentic sample.⁹ From the second major orange-red band was obtained 0.190 g (10%) of **9** as a red solid, mp 128 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₁₀Fe₄O₁₂Se₂Te: C, 25.25; H, 1.06. Found: C, 25.27; H, 1.20. IR (KBr disk): $\nu_{C=O}$, 2082(s), 2040(s), 2026(vs), 1985(vs), 1971(s) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): 2.13(s, 3H, CH₃), 2.31(s, 3H, ArCH₃), 7.00–7.30(m, 4H, C₆H₄) ppm. ⁷⁷Se NMR (CDCl₃, Me₂Se): 85.03(s, SeCH₃), 278.92(s, μ_4 -Se) ppm.

Preparation of {(μ -*t*-BuS)[Fe₂(CO)₆]₂(μ_4 -Se)}₂(μ -1-SeCH₂C₆H₄CH₂Se-2- μ) (10**).** The flask described above was charged with 0.755 g (1.5 mmol) of Fe₃(CO)₁₂, 15 mL of THF, 0.17 mL (1.5 mmol) of *t*-BuSH, and 0.24 mL (1.7 mmol) of Et₃N. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 0.5 h to give a brown-red solution, which was cooled to -78 °C. To this solution was slowly added 0.437 g (1.0 mmol) of (μ -Se)₂Fe₂(CO)₆ in 10 mL of THF. The mixture was stirred for 2 h at -78 °C, and then 0.105 g (0.4 mmol) of 1,2-(BrCH₂)₂C₆H₄ was added. The mixture was warmed naturally to room temperature and was stirred for an additional 18 h. The resulting mixture was filtered, and the filtrate was condensed under reduced pressure. The residue was subjected to TLC separation using petroleum ether as eluent. From the first brown-red band was obtained 0.075 g (11%) of (*t*-BuS)₂Fe₂(CO)₆, which

was identified by comparison of its melting point and ¹H NMR spectrum with those of an authentic sample.³³ The second major band gave 0.197 g (29%) of **10** as a red solid, mp 76 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for C₄₀H₂₆Fe₈O₂₄S₂Se₄: C, 27.98; H, 1.52. Found: C, 27.83; H, 1.59. IR (KBr disk): $\nu_{C=O}$, 2080(s), 2063-(vs), 2031(vs), 1983(vs) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (acetone-*d*₆): 1.46(s, 18H, 2C(CH₃)₃), 4.16(s, 4H, 2CH₂), 7.12–7.50(m, 4H, C₆H₄) ppm. ⁷⁷Se NMR (CDCl₃, Me₂Se): 226.64(s, SeCH₂Ph), 339.80-(s, μ_4 -Se) ppm.

Preparation of (μ -*t*-BuS)(μ -1-SeCH₂-3-BrCH₂-5-MeC₆H₃)-[Fe₂(CO)₆]₂(μ_4 -Se) (11**) and {(μ -*t*-BuS)[Fe₂(CO)₆]₂(μ_4 -Se)}₂(μ -1-SeCH₂-5-MeC₆H₃CH₂Se-3- μ) (**12**).** The procedure for preparation of **11** and **12** is similar to that of **10**, but using 0.139 g (0.5 mmol) of 1,3,5-(BrCH₂)₂MeC₆H₃ instead of 1,2-(BrCH₂)₂C₆H₄. The first major band afforded 0.124 g (25%) of **11** as a red solid, mp 121 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for C₂₅H₁₉-BrFe₄O₁₂SSe₂: C, 29.89; H, 1.91. Found: C, 29.80; H, 1.95. IR (KBr disk): $\nu_{C=O}$, 2082(s), 2034(vs), 1989(vs), 1962(vs) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): 1.43(s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃), 2.35(s, 3H, CH₃), 3.76-(s, 2H, SeCH₂), 4.44(s, 2H, BrCH₂), 7.00–7.13(m, 3H, C₆H₃) ppm. ⁷⁷Se NMR (CDCl₃, Me₂Se): 248.24(s, SeCH₂Ar), 344.88-(s, μ_4 -Se) ppm. The second major band gave 0.143 g (17%) of **12** as a red solid, mp 116 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for C₄₁H₂₈Fe₈O₂₄S₂Se₄: C, 28.44; H, 1.63. Found: C, 28.55; H, 1.92. IR (KBr disk): $\nu_{C=O}$, 2082(s), 2034(vs), 2007(s), 1981(vs), 1966(s) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): 1.43(s, 18H, 2C(CH₃)₃), 2.35(s, 3H, CH₃), 3.76(s, 4H, 2CH₂), 7.00–7.15(m, 3H, C₆H₃) ppm. ⁷⁷Se NMR (CDCl₃, Me₂Se): 248.54(s, SeCH₂Ar), 344.27(s, μ_4 -Se) ppm.

Single-Crystal Structure Determinations of **4, **7**, and **9**.** Single crystals of **4**, **7**, and **9** suitable for X-ray diffraction analyses were grown by slow evaporation of their CH₂Cl₂/hexane solutions at about 5 °C. The single crystals of **4** (0.20 × 0.35 × 0.40), **7** (0.42 × 0.18 × 0.18), and **9** (0.35 × 0.20 × 0.10) were glued to a glass fiber and mounted on a Bruker SMART 1000 or a SMART CCD automated diffractometer. Details of the crystal data, data collections, and structure refinements are summarized in Table 4. The structures were solved by direct methods and expanded by Fourier techniques. The final refinements were accomplished by the full-matrix least-squares method with anisotropic thermal parameters for non-hydrogen atoms. The calculations for **4**, **7**, and **9** were performed using the TEXSAN crystallographic software package of the Molecular Structure Corporation.

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Supporting Information Available: Full tables of crystal data, atomic coordinates and thermal parameters, and bond lengths and angles for **4**, **7**, and **9**. This material is available free of charge via the Internet at <http://pubs.acs.org>.

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