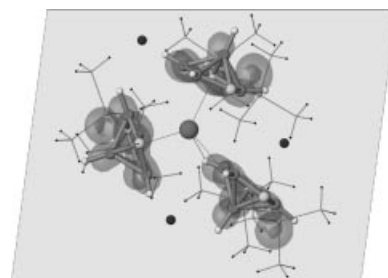


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COVER PICTURE

The cover picture shows a typical bent-sandwich *commo*-metallacarborane product as well as its starting *nido*-carborane precursor of the smaller carborane cage system, together in a novel cluster. Details are discussed in the Micro-review by N. S. Hosmane and J. A. Maguire on p. 3989 ff. The authors are indebted to their many students and co-workers who have borne the brunt of doing, and to the National Science Foundation, Alexander von Humboldt-Stiftung (to N. S. H.) and the R. A. Welch Foundation (to J. A. M.) for their generous support.



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