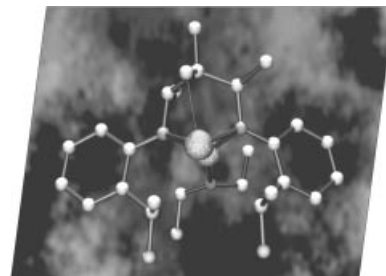


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## COVER PICTURE

**The cover picture shows** an  $\text{Li}_2\text{N}_2$  unit which is prevented by the bulk of the aryl substituents from stacking with another to form a cubic cluster. The diethyl ether solvent traps this fragment of a molecule which, in the absence of diethyl ether, precipitates as a powder, possibly by lateral association of  $\text{Li}_2\text{N}_2$  rings to form an infinite ladder in a manner first suggested by Ronald Snaith, whose memory is honoured in this special edition of EurJIC. Details are presented in the article by F. Mair et al. on p. 3464 ff.



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