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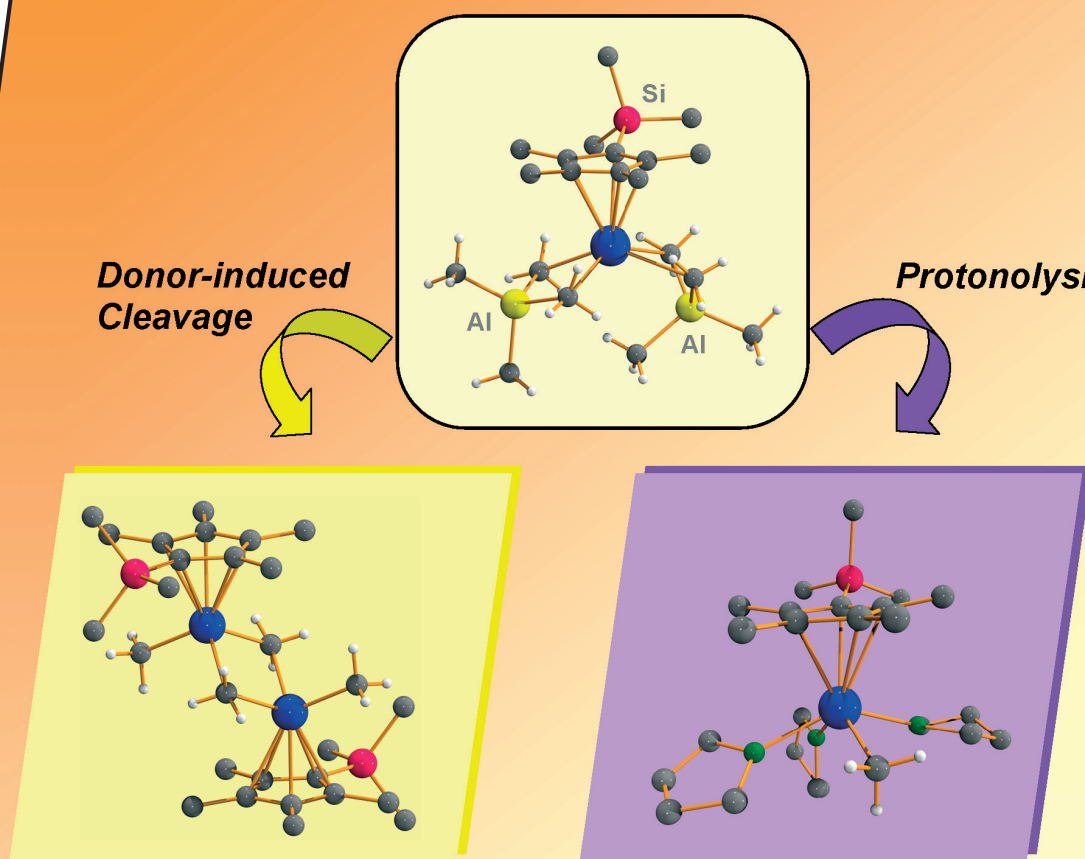
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**Cover Picture**

Jun Okuda et al.

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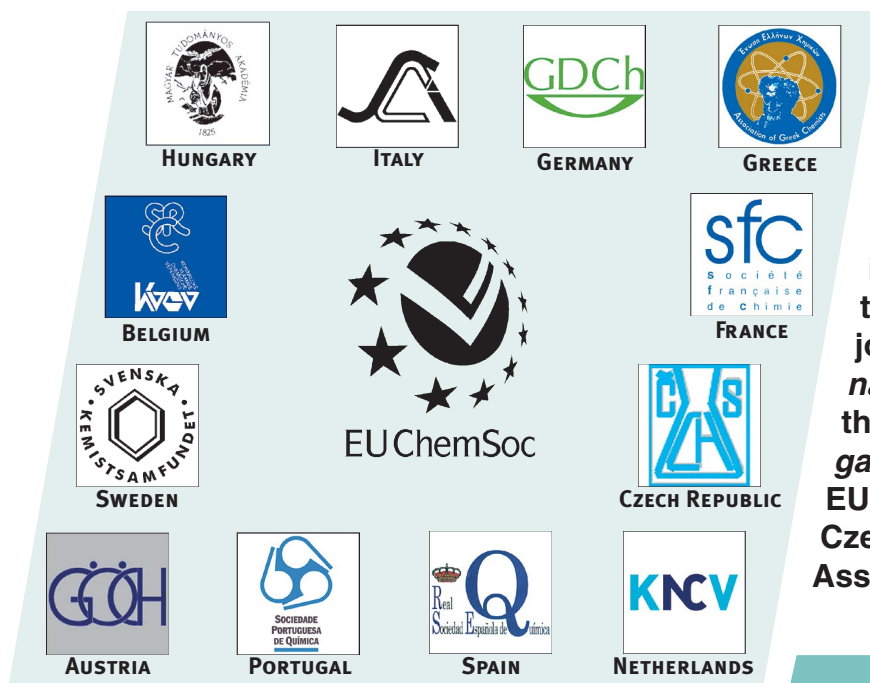
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## COVER PICTURE

The cover picture shows the reactivity of half-sandwich bis(aluminate) complexes of the rare-earth metals that can be converted either into cationic methyl species by protonolysis or into dimeric dimethyl species by donor-induced cleavage of the aluminate moieties. Details are discussed in the article by J. Okuda et al. on p. 2801ff.

