Synthesis of Double and Quadruple Butterfly Fe/E Cluster Complexes via a New Type of Selenium-Centered Anions  $(\mu - RE)(\mu - Se^{-})[Fe_{2}(CO)_{6}]_{2}(\mu_{4}-Se)$  (E = S, Se, Te) Derived from Novel Reaction of  $[(\mu-RE)(\mu-CO)]$   $[Fe_2(CO)_6]$ with  $(\mu$ -Se<sub>2</sub>)Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>. Crystal Structures of μ<sub>4</sub>-Se-Containing Double Clusters  $(\mu\text{-EtS})(\mu\text{-PhCH}_2\text{Se})[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se}),$  $(\mu - p - MeC_6H_4Se)(\mu - MeSe)[Fe_2(CO)_6]_2(\mu_4 - Se)$ , and  $(\mu - p - MeC_6H_4Te)(\mu - MeSe)[Fe_2(CO)_6]_2(\mu_4 - Se)$ 

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The  $[Et_3NH]^+$  or  $[MgBr]^+$  salts of anions  $[(u-RE)(u-CO)Fe_2(CO)_6]^-$  (1, E = S, Se, Te) reacted with (μ-Se<sub>2</sub>)Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub> followed by treatment of the [Et<sub>3</sub>NH]<sup>+</sup> or [MgBr]<sup>+</sup> 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<sub>2</sub>Br or MeI to give a series of double butterfly Fe/E cluster complexes (*u*-RE)(*u*-R<sup>1</sup>Se)- $[Fe_2(CO)_6]_2(\mu_4-Se)$  (4, RE = EtS, R<sup>1</sup> = PhCH<sub>2</sub>; 5, t-BuS, PhCH<sub>2</sub>; 6, p-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Se, PhCH<sub>2</sub>; 7, p-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Se, Me; **8**, p-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Te, PhCH<sub>2</sub>; **9**, p-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Te, Me). Similarly, reaction of the in situ prepared [Et<sub>3</sub>NH]<sup>+</sup> salt of the intermediate selenium-centered anion (*u-t*-BuS)(*u*-Se<sup>-</sup>)- $[Fe_2(CO)_6]_2(\mu_4-Se)$  with dihalide 1,2- $(BrCH_2)_2C_6H_4$  or 1,3- $(BrCH_2)_2-5-MeC_6H_3$  afforded quadruple butterfly Fe/E cluster  $\{(\mu-t\text{-BuS})[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})\}_2(\mu-1\text{-SeCH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{CH}_2\text{Se}-2-\mu)$  (10) or double butterfly Fe/E cluster ( $\mu$ -t-BuS)[( $\mu$ -1-SeCH $_2$ -3-BrCH $_2$ -5-MeC $_6$ H $_3$ )[Fe $_2$ (CO) $_6$ ] $_2$  ( $\mu$ 4-Se) (11) and quadruple butterfly Fe/E cluster  $\{(\mu-t\text{-BuS})[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})\}_2(\mu-1\text{-SeCH}_2\text{-5-}$  $MeC_6H_3CH_2Se-3-\mu$ ) (12), respectively. All the new products 4-11 have been characterized by elemental analysis, IR, <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>77</sup>Se NMR spectroscopy, and for **4**, **7**, and **9** single-crystal X-ray diffraction techniques.

### Introduction

The  $\mu$ -CO-bridged anions of type  $[(\mu-RE)(\mu-CO)Fe_2 (CO)_6]^-$  (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

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anions 1 reacted with (u-S<sub>2</sub>)Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub> 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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### Scheme 1

butterfly Fe/E cluster sulfur-centered anions ( $\mu$ -RE)( $\mu$ -S<sup>-</sup>)[Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub>( $\mu$ <sub>4</sub>-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, <sup>18</sup> 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  $\mu_3$ -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  $\mathbf{4}-\mathbf{12}$ . As the expectation mentioned above, the  $[Et_3NH]^+$  salts of anions  $[(\mu\text{-RE})(\mu\text{-CO})\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]^-$  (E = S, Se) (1) (prepared from Fe $_3(\text{CO})_{12}$ , REH (E = S, Se), and  $Et_3N$ ) or the  $[MgBr]^+$  salts of anions  $[(\mu\text{-RE})(\mu\text{-CO})\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]^-$  (E = Te) (1) (prepared from RMgBr, elemental Te, and 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 $_2$ Br 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 [Et<sub>3</sub>NH]<sup>+</sup> salt of the anion **3** (RE = *t*-BuS) reacted in situ with an excess quantity of dihalides 1,2-(BrCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> or 1,3,5-(BrCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>, the corresponding quadruple butterfly Fe/E cluster complex { $(\mu$ -t-BuS)[Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub>( $\mu$ <sub>4</sub>-Se)}<sub>2</sub>( $\mu$ -1-SeCH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>Se-2- $\mu$ ) (**10**) or the corresponding double butterfly Fe/E cluster complex ( $\mu$ -t-BuS)[ $(\mu$ -1-SeCH<sub>2</sub>-3-BrCH<sub>2</sub>-5-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>)[Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub>( $\mu$ <sub>4</sub>-Se) (**11**) and quadruple butterfly Fe/E cluster complex { $(\mu$ -t-BuS)[Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub>( $\mu$ <sub>4</sub>-Se)}<sub>2</sub>( $\mu$ -1-SeCH<sub>2</sub>-5-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>Se-3- $\mu$ ) (**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<sup>-1</sup> for their Fe(CO)<sub>3</sub> structural units, whereas the <sup>1</sup>H 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<sub>2</sub>, 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<sub>2</sub> 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<sub>2</sub> group. Since <sup>77</sup>Se NMR spectroscopy is a powerful tool for characterization of organometallic selenium complexes,<sup>26</sup> we determined the <sup>77</sup>Se NMR spectra of clusters **4-12**. It is interesting to note that the <sup>77</sup>Se NMR spectra of these clusters all showed one singlet for the  $\mu_4$ -Se atoms (each attached to four Fe(CO)<sub>3</sub> electron-withdrawing groups) in the range of lower field 278.92-346.38 ppm and one singlet for the  $\mu_2$ -Se atoms (each attached to two Fe-(CO)<sub>3</sub> electron-withdrawing groups and one corresponding organic group) in the range of higher field 83.44-272.04 ppm, respectively. Although the <sup>77</sup>Se NMR data of  $\mu_2$ -Se in some similar compounds were reported, <sup>17,18</sup> such  $\mu_4$ -Se <sup>77</sup>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 examplified by clusters 5 and 6.

Finally, it should be pointed out that since clusters **4–12** are  $\mu_4$ -Se-containing complexes, the R, R¹, 1,2- $(CH_2)_2C_6H_4$  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  $\mu_4$ -Se with the corresponding organic group.  $^{9,14,24b}$  This is completely consistent with the  $^1$ H and  $^{77}$ Se NMR data discussed above and has been further confirmed by X-ray crystal diffraction analyses for clusters **4**, **7**, and **9**.

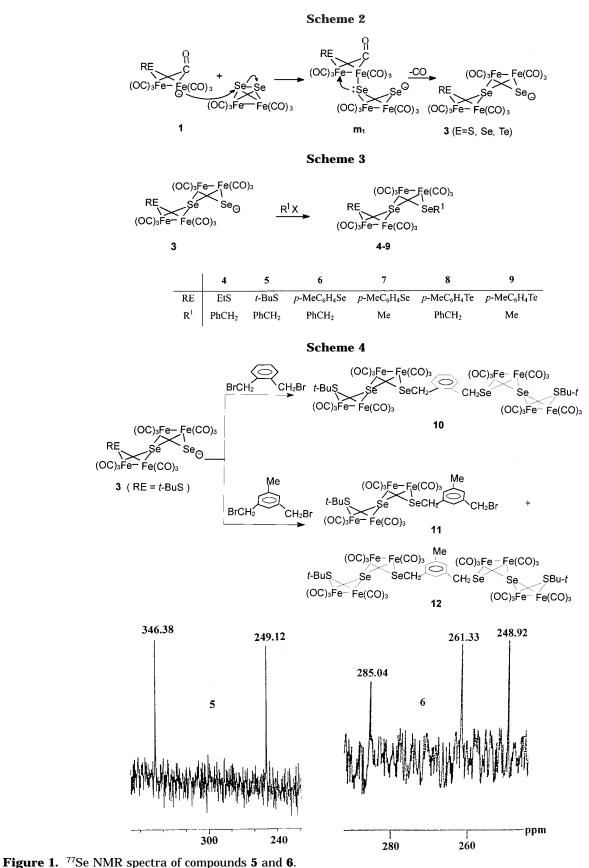
**Crystal Molecular Structures of 4, 7, and 9.** To further confirm the structures of clusters **4–12**, single-crystal X-ray diffraction analyses for **4, 7**, and **9** were carried out. Tables 1–3 list the selected bond lengths and angles. Figures 2–4 show their molecular structures.

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,  $\mu_4$ -Se. In each molecule of **4**, **7**, and **9** this  $\mu_4$ -Se is situated on the center of a distorted tetrahedron constructed by

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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  $\mu_4$ -Se-containing analogues with identical alkylchalcogenido ligands  $\mu_4$ -selenidobis[ $(\mu$ ethylsulfido)hexacarbonyldiiron] (abbreviated as SESU, hereafter),  $[(\mu\text{-EtS})\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})$ , and  $\mu_4\text{-seleni$ dobis[(u-4-tolylselenido)hexacarbonyldiiron] (abbreviated as STSE, hereafter),  $[(\mu-p-MeC_6H_4Se)Fe_2(CO)_6]_2(\mu_4-\mu_5)$ Se),<sup>27</sup> are known to be structurally characterized, clusters **4**, **7**, and **9** are so far the first examples of  $\mu_4$ -Se double butterfly Fe/E clusters with different alkylchalcogenido

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

|                       | (8/        |                   |            |
|-----------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|
| 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) | , , ,      | Fe(3)-Se(1)-Fe(1) | . ,        |
| Fe(4)-Se(1)-Fe(2)     | , , ,      | Fe(3)-Se(1)-Fe(2) | . ,        |
| Fe(1)-Se(1)-Fe(2)     | , ,        | Fe(3)-Se(2)-Fe(4) | . ,        |
| S(1)-Fe(1)-Se(1)      | 76.58(7)   | Se(1)-Fe(1)-Fe(2) | . ,        |
| 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)<br>Se(1)-Fe(1)-Fe(2)<br>Se(2)-Fe(3)-Fe(4)<br>Fe(2)-Se(1)-Fe(1)<br>Fe(4)-Se(2)-Fe(2) | 56.81(5)<br>56.28(5)<br>66.04(5) | Se(2)-Fe(1)-Fe(2)<br>Se(2)-Fe(2)-Se(1)<br>Se(3)-Fe(3)-Fe(4)<br>Fe(4)-Se(2)-Fe(1)<br>Fe(1)-Se(2)-Fe(2) | 78.74(5)<br>57.19(5)<br>135.60(6) |
| Fe(4)-Se(2)-Fe(3)   | , ,                              | Fe(3)-Se(2)-Fe(2)<br>Fe(3)-Se(3)-Fe(4)  | ` ,                               |
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Table 3. Selected Bond Lengths (Å) and Angles (deg) for 9

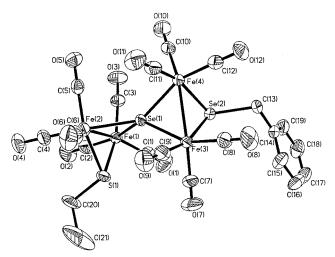
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|--------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------------|--------------|--|--|--|
| Te(1)-Fe(2)                          | 2.5663(16)   | Te(1)-Fe(1)                        | 2.5673(17)   |  |  |  |
| Fe(1)-Se(1)                          | 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(<br>Se(1)-Fe(1)-Fe(2) | 2) 56.79(5)  | Se(1)-Fe(1)-Te(<br>Te(1)-Fe(1)-Fe( | (2) 59.45(5) |  |  |  |
| Se(1)-Fe(2)-Te(2)                    | ,            | Se(1)-Fe(2)-Fe(2)                  | , , , , ,    |  |  |  |
| Te(1)-Fe(2)-Fe(                      | , , ,        | Se(1)-Fe(3)-Se(                    | , , , ,      |  |  |  |
| Se(1)-Fe(3)-Fe(4)                    | , , ,        | Se(2)-Fe(3)-Fe(3)                  | . ,          |  |  |  |
| Se(1)-Fe(4)-Fe(3)                    | 3) 57.00(5)  | Se(2)-Fe(4)-Fe(4)                  | (3) 57.41(5) |  |  |  |
| Fe(1)- $Se(1)$ - $Fe(4)$             | 4) 133.71(7) | Se(1)-Fe(4)-Se(                    | 2) 78.14(6)  |  |  |  |
| Fe(1)-Se(1)-Fe(2)                    | 2) 67.19(6)  | Fe(3)-Se(1)-Fe(                    | (4) 66.16(6) |  |  |  |

ligands prepared and characterized by crystal X-ray diffraction.

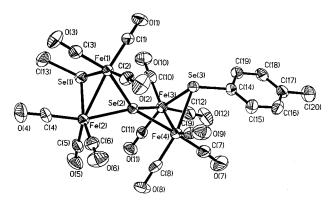
In fact, **4**, **7**, and **9** are structurally similar to those of their analogues SESU and STSE. It can be seen intuitively from Figures 2–4 that the two different organic groups (Et and PhCH<sub>2</sub> for **4**; p-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> and Me for **7** and **9**), just like the two identical groups (Et in SESU; p-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> in STSE), are attached to  $\mu_2$ -chalcogen atoms by an equatorial type of bond.

# **Conclusions**

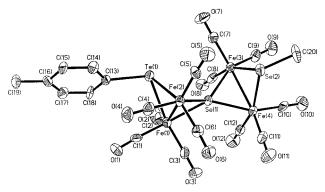
The reductive cleavage of the Se–Se bond of ( $\mu$ -Se<sub>2</sub>)-Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub> by the Fe-centered anionic nucleophiles [( $\mu$ -RE)( $\mu$ -CO)Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>]<sup>-</sup> (**1**, E = S, Se, Te) is first demonstrated to give a new type of selenium-centered anions ( $\mu$ -RE)( $\mu$ -Se<sup>-</sup>)[Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub>( $\mu$ <sub>4</sub>-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 ( $\mu$ -RE)( $\mu$ -Se)[Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub>( $\mu$ <sub>4</sub>-Se) (E = S, Se, Te). Apparently, these results highlight the possibility



**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, PhCH<sub>2</sub>Br, EtSH, and *t*-BuSH were commercially available and used without further purification. Fe<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>12</sub>,<sup>28</sup> *p*-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SeH,<sup>29</sup> (μ-Se)<sub>2</sub>Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>,<sup>30</sup> 1,2-(BrCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>,<sup>31</sup> and 1,3,5-(BrCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub><sup>32</sup> were prepared according to the literature. The

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

|  | 4                             | 7                            | 9                              |
|--|-------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| mol formula                                | $C_{21}H_{12}Fe_4O_{12}SSe_2$ | $C_{20}H_{10}Fe_4O_{12}Se_3$ | $C_{20}H_{10}Fe_4O_{12}Se_2Te$ |
| mol wt                                     | 869.69                        | 902.56                       | 951.20                         |
| cryst syst                                 | orthorhombic                  | monoclinic                   | triclinic                      |
| space group                                | Pbca                          | P2(1)/c                      | $P\overline{1}$                |
| a/Å  | 9.3240(6)                     | 19.1272(11)                  | 9.217(3)                       |
| b/Å  | 17.5418(12)                   | 9.1357(5)                    | 10.060(3)                      |
| c/Å  | 36.729(3)                     | 16.5772(9)                   | 16.890(5)                      |
| α/deg                                      | 90                            | 90                           | 106.742(6)                     |
| $\beta/\deg$                               | 90                            | 93.4400(10)                  | 104.268(5)                     |
| γ/deg                                      | 90                            | 90                           | 90.759(6)                      |
| $V$ /Å $^3$                                | 6007.3(7)                     | 2891.5(3)                    | 1447.5(8)                      |
| Z  | 8                             | 4                            | 2                              |
| $D_{ m c}/{ m g~cm^{-3}}$                  | 1.923                         | 2.073                        | 2.182                          |
| F(000)                                     | 3376                          | 1728                         | 900                            |
| abs coeff/mm <sup>-1</sup>                 | 4.441                         | 5.799                        | 5.522                          |
| temp/K                                     | 293                           | 293                          | 293                            |
| wavelength/Å                               | 0.71073                       | 0.71073                      | 0.71073                        |
| scan type                                  | $\omega$ -2 $\theta$          | $\omega$ -2 $\theta$         | $\omega$ -2 $\theta$           |
| $2	heta_{ m max}/{ m deg}$                 | 50.06                         | 50.02                        | 50.04                          |
| no. of observns, <i>n</i>                  | 5306                          | 5077                         | 5084                           |
| no. of variables, p                        | 370                           | 352                          | 352                            |
| R  | 0.0548                        | 0.0552                       | 0.0511                         |
| $R_{ m w}$                                 | 0.1330                        | 0.1138                       | 0.0930                         |
| goodness of fit                            | 1.124                         | 1.290                        | 0.853                          |
| largest diff peak and hole/e $ m \AA^{-3}$ | 0.968  and  -0.496            | 0.882  and  -0.496           | 0.837 and -1.084               |

products were separated by TLC (20  $\times$  25  $\times$  0.25 cm, silica gel G) and further purified by recrystallization from mixed CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/hexane solvent. IR spectra were recorded on a Nicolet 170 SX FT IR spectrophotometer, and <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>77</sup>Se NMR spectra on a Bruker AC-P200 NMR spectrometer. Ph<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>2</sub> was used as an external standard, and the chemical shifts were referenced to Me<sub>2</sub>Se ( $\delta$  0) for <sup>77</sup>Se 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  $(\mu\text{-EtS})(\mu\text{-PhCH}_2\text{Se})[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})$ (4). A 100 mL three-necked flask equipped with a magnetic stir-bar, a N<sub>2</sub> inlet tube, and a serum cap was charged with 0.275 g (0.55 mmol) of Fe<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>12</sub>, 15 mL of THF, 0.04 mL (0.54 mmol) of EtSH, and 0.08 mL (0.57 mmol) of Et<sub>3</sub>N. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 0.5 h to give a yellowbrown solution, which was cooled to  $-78~^{\circ}\text{C}$ . To this solution was slowly added 0.218 g (0.50 mmol) of  $(\mu\text{-Se})_2\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6$  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 PhCH<sub>2</sub>Br 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 (u-EtS)<sub>2</sub>Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>, which was identified by comparison of its melting point and <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum with those of an authentic sample.<sup>33</sup> The second major red band gave 0.100 g (23%) of 4 as a red solid, mp 125 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for C21H12-Fe<sub>4</sub>O<sub>12</sub>SSe<sub>2</sub>: C, 29.00; H, 1.39. Found: C, 29.11; H, 1.23. IR (KBr disk):  $\nu_{C=0}$ , 2082(s), 2056(vs), 2032(vs), 1986(vs) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone- $d_6$ ): 1.38(t, J = 10.8 Hz, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.59(q, J = 10.8 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.03(s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 7.33-7.41(m, 5H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>) ppm. <sup>77</sup>Se NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, Me<sub>2</sub>Se): 247.97(s, SeCH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 310.07(s,  $\mu_4$ -Se) ppm.

Preparation of  $(\mu$ -t-BuS) $(\mu$ -PhCH<sub>2</sub>Se)[Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub> $(\mu_4$ -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 C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>16</sub>Fe<sub>4</sub>O<sub>12</sub>SSe<sub>2</sub>: C, 30.77; H, 1.80. Found: C, 30.49; H, 1.73. IR (KBr disk):  $\nu_{C=0}$ , 2078(s), 2032-(vs), 2014(s), 1995(vs), 1980(vs) cm<sup>-1</sup>.  ${}^{1}$ H NMR (acetone- $d_6$ ): 1.47(s, 9H,  $C(CH_3)_3$ ), 4.03(s, 2H,  $CH_2$ ), 7.34–7.40(m, 5H,  $C_6H_5$ ) ppm. <sup>77</sup>Se NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, Me<sub>2</sub>Se): 249.12(s, SeCH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 346.38-(s,  $\mu_4$ -Se) ppm.

Preparation of  $(\mu-p\text{-MeC}_6H_4\text{Se})(\mu\text{-PhCH}_2\text{Se})[\text{Fe}_2(\text{CO})_6]_2$ -( $\mu_4$ -Se) (6). The flask described above was charged with 0.275 g (0.55 mmol) of Fe<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>12</sub>, 15 mL of THF, 0.085 g (0.50 mmol) of p-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SeH, and 0.08 mL (0.57 mmol) of Et<sub>3</sub>N. 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  $(\mu\text{-Se})_2\text{Fe}_2$ -(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 PhCH<sub>2</sub>Br 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 CH<sub>2</sub>- $Cl_2$ /petroleum ether (v/v = 1:20) as eluent. From the first brown-red band was obtained 0.060 g (19%) of ( $\mu$ -p-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-Se)<sub>2</sub>Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>, which was identified by comparison of its melting point and <sup>1</sup>H 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 C26H14-Fe<sub>4</sub>O<sub>12</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>: C, 31.91; H, 1.44. Found: C, 31.87; H, 1.42. IR (KBr disk):  $\nu_{C=0}$ , 2078(s), 2031(vs), 2007(s), 1997(vs), 1988(vs), 1978-(s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>): 2.26(s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.06(s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 7.10–7.42(m, 9H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>) ppm. <sup>77</sup>Se NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, Me<sub>2</sub>Se): 248.92(s, SeCH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 261.33(s, Se-Tol), 285.04(s,  $\mu_4$ -Se) ppm.

Preparation of  $(\mu$ -p-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Se) $(\mu$ -MeSe)[Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub> $(\mu$ <sub>4</sub>-**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 PhCH<sub>2</sub>-Br. From the first brown-red band was obtained 0.078 g (25%) of (u-p-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Se)<sub>2</sub>Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>, which was identified by comparison of its melting point and <sup>1</sup>H 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 C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>10</sub>Fe<sub>4</sub>O<sub>12</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>: C, 26.62; H, 1.12. Found: C, 26.69; H, 1.15. IR (KBr disk):  $\nu_{C=0}$ , 2066(s), 2034(vs), 2004(s), 1989(vs), 1966(s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 2.15(s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.29(s, 3H,

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ArCH $_3$ ), 7.00-7.33(m, 4H, C $_6$ H $_4$ ) ppm.  $^{77}$ Se NMR (CDCl $_3$ , Me $_2$ -Se): 83.44(s, SeCH $_3$ ), 260.70(s, SeCH $_2$ Ph), 288.53(s,  $\mu_4$ -Se) ppm.

Preparation of ( $\mu$ -p-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Te)( $\mu$ -PhCH<sub>2</sub>Se)[Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub>-( $\mu_4$ -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-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>MgBr 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  $Fe_3(CO)_{12}$  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 ( $\mu$ -Se<sub>2</sub>)Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub> was added, the mixture was stirred for 1 h at this temperature, and 0.48 mL (4.0 mmol) of PhCH<sub>2</sub>Br 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 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/ petroleum ether (v/v = 1:20) as eluent. From the first major red band was obtained 0.270 g (25%) of (μ-p-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Te)<sub>2</sub>Fe<sub>2</sub>-(CO)6, which was identified by comparison of its melting point and <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum with those of an authentic sample.<sup>9</sup> 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 C26H14-Fe<sub>4</sub>O<sub>12</sub>Se<sub>2</sub>Te: C, 30.40; H, 1.37. Found: C, 30.45; H, 1.40. IR (KBr disk):  $\nu_{C=0}$ , 2082(s), 2034(vs), 2001(vs), 1985(vs), 1969-(vs) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 2.32(s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.84(s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.03-7.42(m, 9H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>) ppm. <sup>77</sup>Se NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, Me<sub>2</sub>-Se): 250.89(s, SeCH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 275.15(s,  $\mu_4$ -Se) ppm.

**Preparation of (***μ*-*p*-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Te)(*μ*-MeSe)[Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub>( $\mu_4$ -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 PhCH<sub>2</sub>-Br. From the first major red band was obtained 0.290 g (27%) of ( $\mu$ -*p*-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Te)<sub>2</sub>Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>, which was identified by comparison of its melting point and <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum with those of an authentic sample. 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 C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>10</sub>Fe<sub>4</sub>O<sub>12</sub>Se<sub>2</sub>Te: C, 25.25; H, 1.06. Found: C, 25.27; H, 1.20. IR (KBr disk):  $\nu$ <sub>C=0</sub>, 2082(s), 2040(s), 2026-(vs), 1985(vs), 1971(s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 2.13(s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.31(s, 3H, ArCH<sub>3</sub>), 7.00–7.30(m, 4H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>) ppm. <sup>77</sup>Se NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, Me<sub>2</sub>Se): 85.03(s, SeCH<sub>3</sub>), 278.92(s,  $\mu$ <sub>4</sub>-Se) ppm.

**Preparation of** { $(\mu$ -t-BuS)[Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub>( $\mu$ -Se)}<sub>2</sub>( $\mu$ -1-SeCH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>Se-2- $\mu$ ] (10). The flask described above was charged with 0.755 g (1.5 mmol) of Fe<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>12</sub>, 15 mL of THF, 0.17 mL (1.5 mmol) of t-BuSH, and 0.24 mL (1.7 mmol) of Et<sub>3</sub>N. 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  $(\mu$ -Se)<sub>2</sub>Fe<sub>2</sub>-(CO)<sub>6</sub> 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-(BrCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> 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)<sub>2</sub>Fe<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>, 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  $C_{40}H_{26}Fe_8O_{24}S_2Se_4$ : C, 27.98; H, 1.52. Found: C, 27.83; H, 1.59. IR (KBr disk):  $\nu_{C\equiv O}$ , 2080(s), 2063-(vs), 2031(vs), 1983(vs) cm $^{-1}$ .  $^1H$  NMR (acetone- $d_6$ ): 1.46(s, 18H, 2C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 4.16(s, 4H, 2CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.12–7.50(m, 4H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>) ppm.  $^{77}Se$  NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, Me<sub>2</sub>Se): 226.64(s, SeCH<sub>2</sub>Ph), 339.80-(s,  $\mu_4$ -Se) ppm.

Preparation of (*u-t*-BuS)(*u*-1-SeCH<sub>2</sub>-3-BrCH<sub>2</sub>-5-MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>)- $[Fe_2(CO)_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})$  (11) and  $\{(\mu-t\text{-BuS})[Fe_2(CO)_6]_2(\mu_4\text{-Se})\}_2$  $(\mu-1-SeCH_2-5-MeC_6H_3CH_2Se-3-\mu)$  (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-(BrCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>MeC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub> instead of 1,2-(BrCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>. The first major band afforded 0.124 g (25%) of 11 as a red solid, mp 121 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>19</sub>-BrFe<sub>4</sub>O<sub>12</sub>SSe<sub>2</sub>: C, 29.89; H, 1.91. Found: C, 29.80; H, 1.95. IR (KBr disk):  $\nu_{C=0}$ , 2082(s), 2034(vs), 1989(vs), 1962(vs) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 1.43(s, 9H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 2.35(s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.76-(s, 2H, SeCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.44(s, 2H, BrCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.00-7.13(m, 3H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>) ppm. <sup>77</sup>Se NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, Me<sub>2</sub>Se): 248.24(s, SeCH<sub>2</sub>Ar), 344.88-(s,  $\mu_4$ -Se) ppm. The second major band gave 0.143 g (17%) of 12 as a red solid, mp 116 °C dec. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>41</sub>H<sub>28</sub>Fe<sub>8</sub>O<sub>24</sub> S<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>4</sub>: C, 28.44; H, 1.63. Found: C, 28.55; H, 1.92. IR (KBr disk):  $\nu_{C=0}$ , 2082(s), 2034(vs), 2007(s), 1981(vs), 1966(s) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 1.43(s, 18H, 2C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 2.35(s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>),  $3.76(s,\ 4H,\ 2CH_2),\ 7.00-7.15(m,\ 3H,\ C_6H_3)\ ppm.\ ^{77}Se\ NMR$ (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, Me<sub>2</sub>Se): 248.54(s, SeCH<sub>2</sub>Ar), 344.27(s, μ<sub>4</sub>-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  $CH_2Cl_2/$  hexane solutions at about 5 °C. The single crystals of **4** (0.20  $\times$  0.35  $\times$  0.40), **7** (0.42  $\times$  0.18  $\times$  0.18), and **9** (0.35  $\times$  0.20  $\times$  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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