

Aluminum complexes of the redox-active [ONO] pincer ligand

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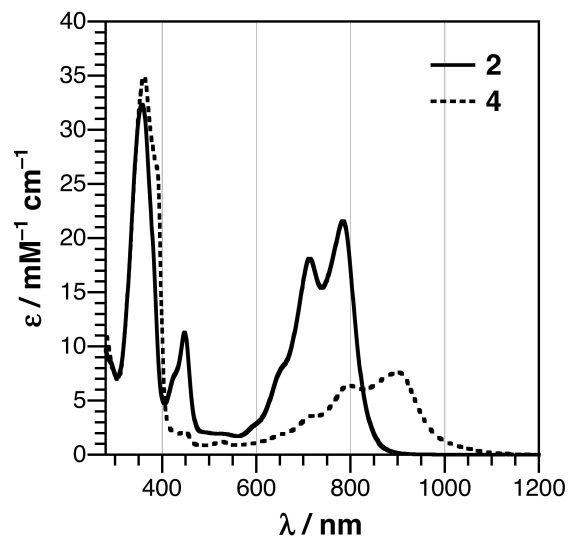
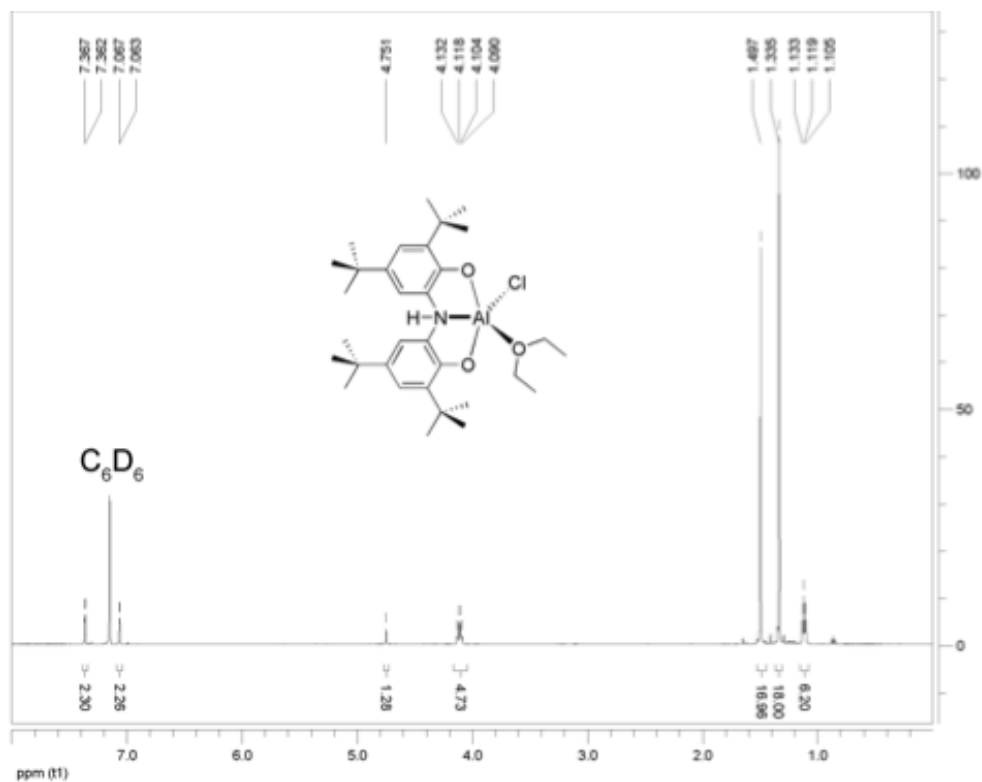


Figure S1. UV-vis-NIR spectra of $[\text{ONO}^q]\text{Al}(\text{acacPh}_2)\text{Cl}$ (**2**) and $[\text{ONO}^{\text{sq}}]\text{Al}(\text{acacPh}_2)(\text{py})$ (**4**) in C_6H_6 at 298 K.

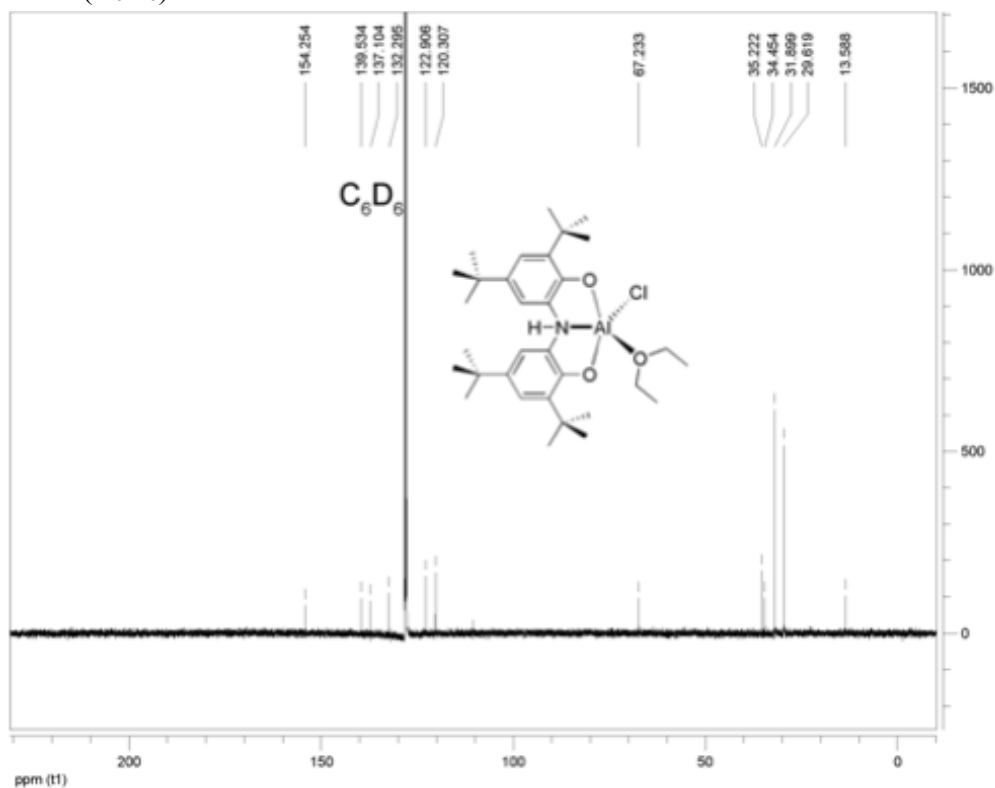
Supplemental ^1H and $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR Spectra of Diamagnetic Compounds

NMR spectra were collected with Bruker Avance 500 MHz spectrometers (^1H 500 MHz, ^{13}C 128 MHz) in either C_6D_6 or CD_3CN solvents that were degassed by several freeze-pump-thaw cycles, dried with sodium benzophenone ketyl radical or CaH_2 , respectively, and vacuum-distilled before use. ^1H and $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectra were referenced to the residual ^1H and ^{13}C impurities in the solvent (7.15 and 128.02 for C_6D_6 ; 1.94 and 1.24 for CD_3CN , respectively). NMR spectra were measured at 298 K and chemical shifts are reported by using the standard δ notation in parts per million.

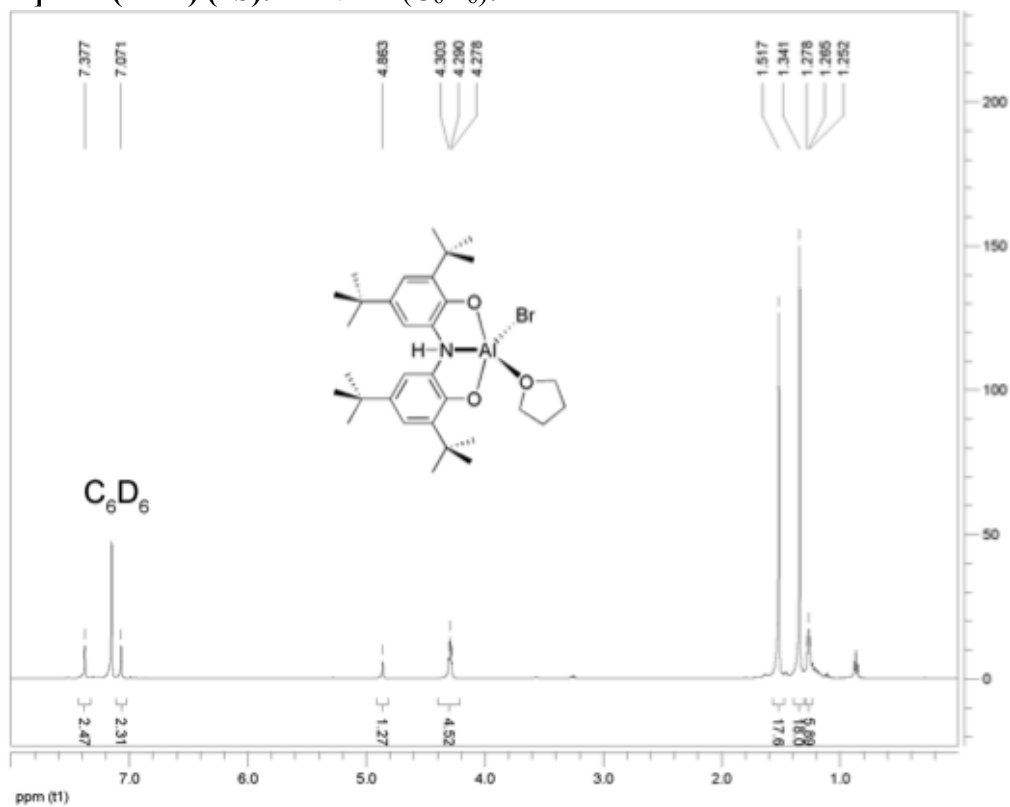
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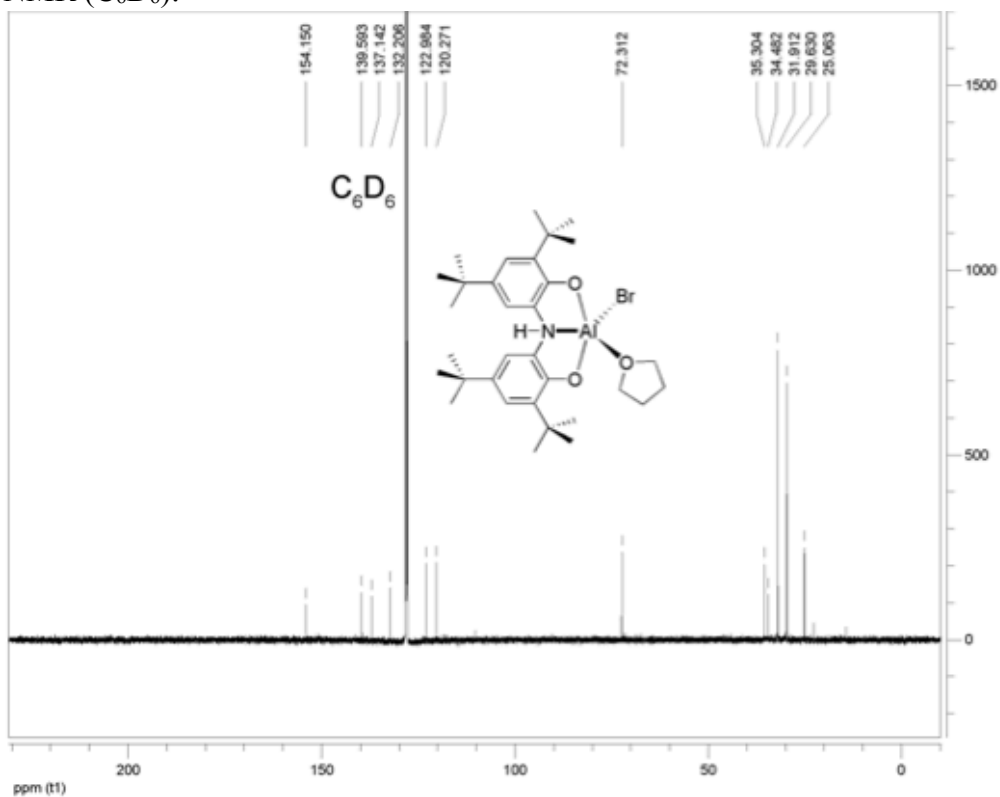
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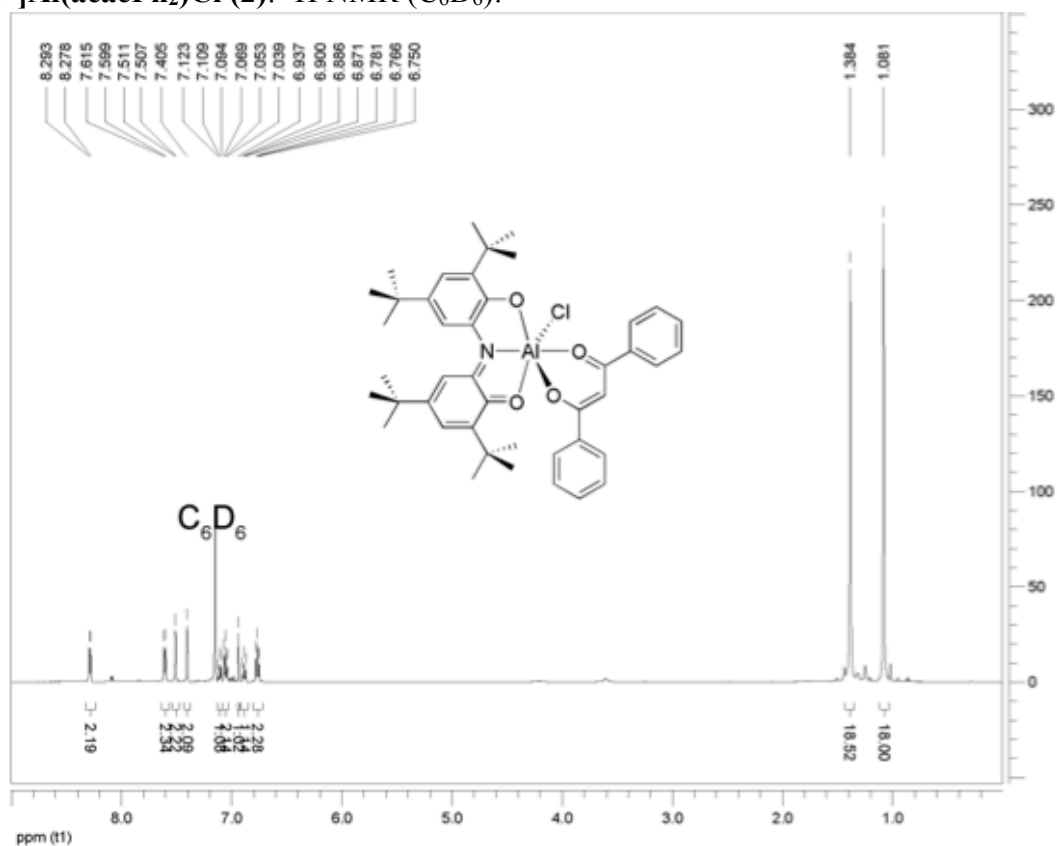
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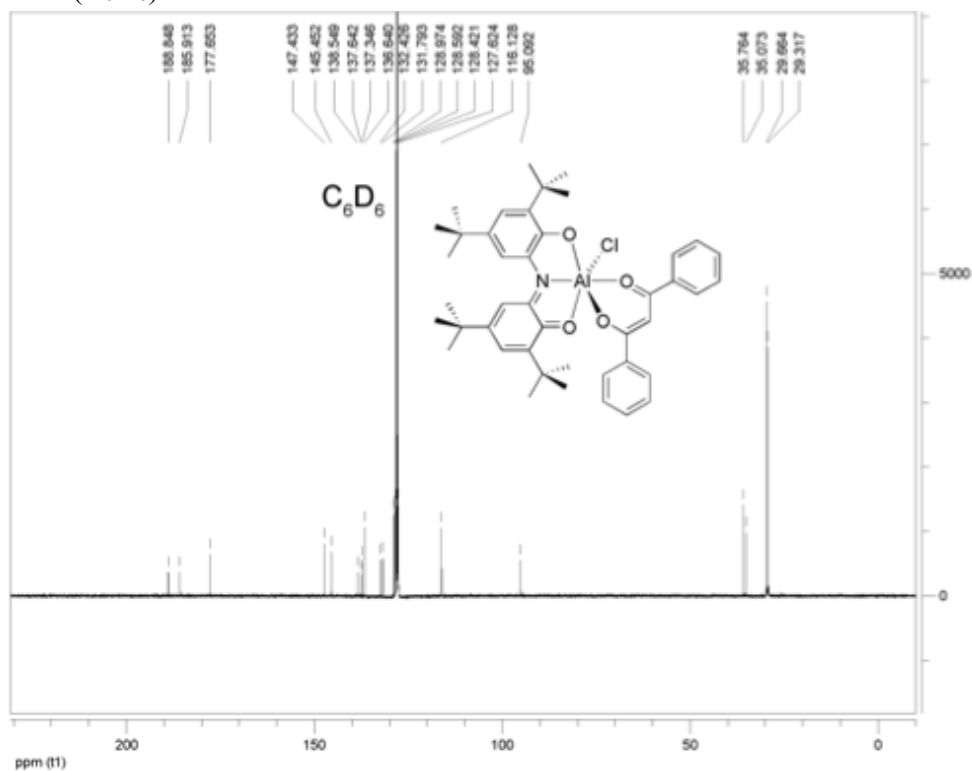
¹³C {¹H} NMR (C₆D₆):



[ONO^q]Al(acacPh₂)Cl (2): ¹H NMR (C₆D₆):



¹³C{¹H} NMR (C₆D₆):



Crystallographic Refinement Details

[ONHO^{cat}]AlBr(THF) (1b): A hemisphere of data was collected on a colorless plate of approximate dimensions $0.57 \times 0.17 \times 0.10$ mm using a 25 sec/frame scan time. The diffraction symmetry was $2/m$ and the systematic absences were consistent with the monoclinic space group $P2_1/n$ that was later determined to be correct.

[ONO^q]Al(acacPh₂)Cl (2): A hemisphere of data was collected on a black prism of dimensions $0.38 \times 0.20 \times 0.19$ mm using a 45 sec/frame scan time. The diffraction symmetry was $2/m$ and the systematic absences were consistent with the monoclinic space group $P2_1/n$ that was later determined to be correct.

[ONO]Al(o-O₂C₆Cl₄)(py) (6): A hemisphere of diffraction data was collected on a black block of dimensions $0.20 \times 0.12 \times 0.10$ mm using a 60 sec/frame scan time. The diffraction symmetry was $2/m$ and the systematic absences were consistent with the monoclinic space group $P2_1/c$ that was later determined to be correct. There was a pocket of disordered solvent that was positioned across an inversion center. Although diethyl-ether molecules could be seen in this disorder, modeling them using standard modeling procedures was not very stable. Additionally, the largest Q-peak was directly on the inversion center too far from another atom to be included in reasonable disorder modeling. Thus, the program SQUEEZE¹ by Spek et. a. in the PLATON² software suite was used to calculate the electron count in this solvent pocket at 69 electrons. This corresponds roughly to 1.5 diethyl-ether molecules, resulting in a total of 3 disordered ether molecules per unit cell, consistent with the disorder observed in the structure during initial refinement.

[ONO]Al(o-O₂C₁₆H₈)(py) (8): A hemisphere of diffraction data was collected on a black plate of dimensions $0.27 \times 0.18 \times 0.06$ mm using a 35 sec/frame scan time. The diffraction

symmetry was $2/m$ and the systematic absences were consistent with the monoclinic space group $P2_1/c$ that was later determined to be correct. One of the two THF molecules was disordered over two positions with a freely-refined occupancy of 65:35, and was modeled using standard distance restraints.

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