## Reactivity of halfsandwich rare-earth metal methylaluminates toward potassium (2,4,6-tri-*tert*-butylphenyl)amide and 1adamantylamine

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	2a	3	4	5	7	8
formula	$C_{76}H_{140}Al_2N_2Y_2$	C <sub>35</sub> H <sub>61</sub> AlNOY	C <sub>26</sub> H <sub>42</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> LuN	C <sub>39</sub> H <sub>56</sub> AlLuN <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>32</sub> H <sub>46</sub> AlN <sub>2</sub> Y	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>26</sub> AlN
$M_r [g mol^{-1}]$	1313.69	627.74	597.53	754.80	574.60	223.33
T [K]	100(2)	123(2)	173.(2)	153.(2)	100(2)	100(2)
λ[Å]	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073
cryst system	monoclinic	monoclinic	triclinic	triclinic	triclinic	monoclinic
space group	C2/c	P2 <sub>1</sub> /n	P-1	P-1	P-1	P2 <sub>1</sub> /c
a [Å]	49.639(1)	19.151(1)	9.1367(3)	12.1090(3)	9.4592(4)	6.8749(3)
b [Å]	12.3116(3)	8.9975(5)	12.1049(4)	13.6700(3)	12.2445(5)	19.6763(8)
c [Å]	35.971(2)	24.183(1)	13.2803(4)	13.7168(3)	14.0256(6)	12.1047(5)
α [°]	90	90	77.756(1)	105.191(1)	68.379(2)	90
β [°]	131.598(1)	108.305(1)	81.137(1)	113.695(1)	80.349(1)	124.608(2)
γ [°]	90	90	88.071(1)	106.489(1)	82.208(2)	90
V [Å <sup>3</sup> ]	16439.4	3956.0(4)	1418.24(8)	1801.47(7)	1484.0(1)	1347.7(1)
Ζ	8	4	2	2	2	4
F(000)	5728	1352	604	776	608	496
$\rho_{calcd} [g \ cm^{-3}]$	1.063	1.054	1.399	1.392	1.286	1.101
μ [mm <sup>-1</sup> ]	1.463	1.519	3.554	2.792	2.017	0.123
$R_1 (obsd)^a$	0.0687	0.0413	0.0143	0.0179	0.0346	0.0383
$wR_2 (all)^b$	0.1579	0.0950	0.0372	0.0420	0.0933	0.1049
S <sup>c</sup>	1.165	1.031	1.106	1.034	1.035	1.113

Table S1. Crystallographic Parameters for complexes 2a, 3, 4, 5, 7 and 8.

 ${}^{a}R1 = \Sigma(||F_{0}| - |F_{c}||) / \Sigma|F_{0}|, F_{0} > 4\sigma(F_{0}). {}^{b}wR2 = \{\Sigma[w(F_{0}^{2} - F_{c}^{2})^{2} / \Sigma[w(F_{0}^{2})^{2}]\}^{1/2}. {}^{c}S = [\Sigma w(F_{0}^{2} - F_{c}^{2})^{2} / (n_{0} - n_{p})]^{1/2}.$ 



Figure S1. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (500 MHz) of  $\{Cp*Y[NH(mes*)](AlMe_4)\}_2$  (2a) in  $C_6D_6$  at 26 °C.



Figure S2.  ${}^{13}C{}^{1}H$  NMR spectrum (126 MHz) of {Cp\*Y[NH(mes\*)](AlMe<sub>4</sub>)}<sub>2</sub> (2a) in C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub> at 26 °C.



Figure S3. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (500 MHz) of  $\{Cp*La[NH(mes*)](AlMe_4)\}_x$  (2b) in  $C_6D_6$  at 26 °C (+ impurity).



Figure S4. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum (126 MHz) of {Cp\*La[NH(mes\*)](AlMe<sub>4</sub>)}<sub>x</sub> (2b) in C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub> at 26 °C (+ impurity).



Figure S5. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (500 MHz) of  $Cp^{Q}Lu(AlMe_{4})_{2}$  (4) in  $C_{6}D_{6}$  at 26 °C (+ *n*-hexane).



Figure S6. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum (126 MHz) of  $Cp^{Q}Lu(AlMe_{4})_{2}$  (4) in  $C_{6}D_{6}$  at 26 °C (+ *n*-hexane).



**Figure S7.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (500 MHz) of  $Cp^{Q}LuMe\{NH[C_{6}H_{2}tBu_{2}-2,4-(CMe_{2}CH_{2})-6]\}(AlMe_{2})$  (5) in  $C_{6}D_{6}$  at 26 °C (+ contaminated by a small amount of decomposition material).



**Figure S8.** <sup>1</sup>H<sup>13</sup>C HSQC NMR spectrum (500 MHz) of  $Cp^{Q}LuMe\{NH[C_{6}H_{2}tBu_{2}-2,4-(CMe_{2}CH_{2})-6]\}(AlMe_{2})$  (5) in  $C_{6}D_{6}$  at 26 °C (1D <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum (126 MHz) on the left edge of the contour plot, 1D <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (500 MHz) shown on the top).



**Figure S9.** <sup>1</sup>H<sup>13</sup>C HMBC NMR spectrum (500 MHz) of  $Cp^{Q}LuMe\{NH[C_{6}H_{2}tBu_{2}-2,4-(CMe_{2}CH_{2})-6]\}(AlMe_{2})$  (5) in  $C_{6}D_{6}$  at 26 °C (1D <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum (126 MHz) on the left edge of the contour plot, 1D <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (500 MHz) shown on the top).



Figure S10. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (400 MHz) of  $Cp^{Q}Y[NH(Ad)](AlMe_3)$  (7) in  $C_6D_6$  at 26 °C (+ co-product 8).



Figure S11. <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectrum (126 MHz) of  $Cp^{Q}Y[NH(Ad)](AlMe_3)$  (7) in  $C_6D_6$  at 26 °C.



Figure S12. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (500 MHz) of Me<sub>3</sub>Al·NH<sub>2</sub>(Ad) (8) in C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub> at 26 °C.



Figure S13.  ${}^{13}C{}^{1}H$  NMR spectrum (126 MHz) of Me<sub>3</sub>Al·NH<sub>2</sub>(Ad) (8) in C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub> at 26 °C.