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Aluminum Alkoxide, Amide and Halide Complexes Supported by a Bulky

Dipyrromethene Ligand: Synthesis, Characterization, and Preliminary

ε-Caprolactone Polymerization Activity

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Figure S1. ¹H NMR spectrum of **2** in CDCl₃



Figure S2. ${}^{13}C{}^{1}H$ NMR spectrum of **2** in CDCl₃



Figure S3. ¹H NMR spectrum of $\mathbf{3}$ in CDCl₃



Figure S4. ¹³C{¹H}NMR spectrum of **3** in CDCl₃

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Figure S5. ¹H NMR spectrum of 4 in CDCl₃



Figure S6. ${}^{13}C{}^{1}H$ NMR spectrum of 4 in CDCl₃





Figure S7. ¹H NMR spectrum of **5** in CDCl₃



Figure S8. ${}^{13}C{}^{1}H$ NMR spectrum of **5** in CDCl₃





Figure S9. ¹H NMR spectrum of **6** in C_6D_6



Figure S10. ${}^{13}C{}^{1}H$ NMR spectrum of **6** in C₆D₆



Figure S11. ¹H NMR spectrum of 7 in CDCl₃



Figure S12. $^{13}C\{^{1}H\}NMR$ spectrum of 7 in CDCl3



Figure S13. Two-dimensional segment depicting packing in (N,N)H•HCl (7). Two fourmolecule saw-tooth arrays are depicted parallel to the crystal *b* axis, one in gray and the other in black. E–H···Cl (E = N, C) interactions are depicted as yellow bonds connecting E hydrogen atoms to chlorine atoms. Carbon atoms are colored gray, nitrogens are colored blue and chlorines are green.



Figure S14. Three-dimensional packing diagram of (N,N)H•HCl (7) showing eight E–H···X interactions (E = N, C). Molecules shown in black and gray belong to the two-dimensional segment as depicted in Figure S13. The molecules in black and in gray wireframe belong to the same 2D segment, while the molecules shown in red are above and below the crystallographic *ac* plane as shown in Figure S13. E–H···X interactions are depicted as yellow bonds connecting E atoms to chlorine atoms. Carbon atoms are colored gray, nitrogen atoms are colored blue and chlorines are green.

	2	3	4
formula	$C_{33}H_{31}N_2AlCl_2$	$C_{33}H_{31}N_2AlI_2 \\$	C ₃₇ H ₄₀ AlN ₂ OCl
fw	553.48	736.38	591.14
cryst syst	orthorhombic	monoclinic	monoclinic
space group	Pnn2	C2/c	$P2_{1}/c$
<i>a</i> , Å	10.0003(6)	21.089(4)	15.4551(3)
<i>b</i> , Å	11.7787(7)	13.041(3)	14.5277(3)
<i>c</i> , Å	12.3391(7)	23.489(5)	15.9943(3)
α, deg	90.00	90.00	90.00
β , deg	90.00	104.897(3)	113.696(1)
γ, deg	90.00	90.00	90.00
<i>V</i> , Å ³	1453.4(2)	6243(2)	3288.4(1)
Ζ	2	8	4
D_{calcd} , g cm ⁻³	1.265	1.567	1.194
<i>T</i> , °C	-123	-133	-153
μ , mm ⁻¹	0.278	2.067	1.516
λ, Å	0.71073	0.71073	1.54178
transm coeff	0.719-1.00	0.665-0.746	0.647-0.753
2θ limits, deg	4.8-66.6	3.6–56.0	6.2–137.9
total no. of data	47190	146447	27612
no. of unique data	9029	9248	5965
no. of obsd data ^{<i>a</i>}	8189	8073	5032
no. of params	178	350	544
$R_1^b(F,I>2\sigma(I))$	0.0373	0.0354	0.0427
w R_2^c (F^2 , all data)	0.0890	0.0912	0.1178
max, min peaks, e/Å ³	0.338, -0.182	0.669, -0.603	0.335, -0.404

Table S1. Crystal Data and Structure Refinement Details

^{*a*} $I > 2\sigma(I)$. ^{*b*} $R_1 = \Sigma ||F_o| - |F_c|| /\Sigma |F_o|$. ^{*c*} $wR_2 = [\Sigma[w (F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2] /\Sigma[w (F_o^2)^2]]^{1/2}$.

	5	6	7
formula	$C_{41}H_{49}AlN_2O_2$	$C_{37}H_{43}AlN_4$	C ₃₃ H ₃₃ N ₂ Cl
fw	628.80	570.73	493.06
cryst syst	orthorhombic	monoclinic	orthorhombic
space group	$P2_{1}2_{1}2_{1}$	$P2_{1}/n$	Pnma
<i>a</i> , Å	13.9055(3)	10.159(2)	14.4443(6)
<i>b</i> , Å	15.3152(3)	16.568(3)	18.4741(7)
<i>c</i> , Å	17.3140(4)	19.274(3)	9.5304(3)
α, deg	90.00	90.00	90.00
β , deg	90.00	93.011(3)	90.00
γ, deg	90.00	90.00	90.00
<i>V</i> , Å ³	3687.3(2)	3239.6(9)	2543.1(2)
Ζ	4	4	4
D_{calcd} , g cm ⁻³	1.133	1.170	1.288
T, °C	-153	-153	-133
μ , mm ⁻¹	0.748	0.094	1.506
λ, Å	1.54178	0.71073	1.54178
transm coeff	0.693-0.753	0.700-0.746	0.663-0.753
2θ limits, deg	7.7–137.8	3.2–56.0	9.6–133.2
total no. of data	16862	44155	36632
no. of unique data	6728	7830	2263
no. of obsd data ^a	6299	6054	2248
no. of params	460	527	219
$R_1^b(F,I>2\sigma(I))$	0.0331	0.0426	0.0298
w R_2^c (F^2 , all data)	0.0879	0.1161	0.0769
max, min peaks, e/Å ³	0.315, -0.240	0.527, -0.267	0.200, -0.239

 Table S1. (continued)

^{*a*} $I > 2\sigma(I)$. ^{*b*} $R_1 = \Sigma ||F_o| - |F_c|| /\Sigma |F_o|$. ^{*c*} $wR_2 = [\Sigma[w (F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2] /\Sigma[w (F_o^2)^2]]^{1/2}$.

 Table S1. (continued)

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formula	C ₃₃ H ₃₃ N ₂ I
fw	584.51
cryst syst	orthorhombic
space group	Pnma
<i>a</i> , Å	14.460(2)
<i>b</i> , Å	18.427(2)
<i>c</i> , Å	10.203(1)
α, deg	90.00
β , deg	90.00
γ, deg	90.00
<i>V</i> , Å ³	2718.5(6)
Ζ	4
D_{calcd} , g cm ⁻³	1.428
T, °C	-133
μ , mm ⁻¹	1.202
λ, Å	0.71073
transm coeff	0.640–0.745
2θ limits, deg	4.4–53.5
total no. of data	33730
no. of unique data	3211
no. of obsd data ^{<i>a</i>}	2649
no. of params	235
$R_1^b(F,I>2\sigma(I))$	0.0320
wR_2^c (F^2 , all data)	0.0866
max, min peaks, e/Å ³	0.573, -0.429

^{*a*} $I > 2\sigma(I)$. ^{*b*} $R_1 = \Sigma ||F_0| - |F_c|| / \Sigma |F_0|$. ^{*c*} $wR_2 = [\Sigma[w (F_0^2 - F_c^2)^2] / \Sigma[w (F_0^2)^2]]^{1/2}$.