## **Electronic Supplementary Information**

## Copolymerization of Propylene with Styrene and Ethylene by a THF-

## **Containing Half-Sandwich Scandium Catalyst: Efficient Synthesis of**

## **Polyolefins with Controllable Styrene Content**

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Fig. S1 <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of atactic polypropylene prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$ . \*, toluene (Table 1, runs 11).



Fig. S2  $^{13}$ C-NMR spectrum of atactic polypropylene prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$  (Table 1, runs 11).



**Fig. S3** GPC curves of atactic polypropylene prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$  (Table 1, runs 10-13).



Fig. S4 DSC curve of a polypropylene prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$  (Table 1, run 11).



Fig. S5  $^{1}$ H–NMR spectra (400 MHz, C<sub>2</sub>D<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>4</sub>, 25 °C) of propylene–styrene copolymers prepared by  $4/[Ph_{3}C][B(C_{6}F_{5})_{4}]$  (Table 2, runs 2, 5, 7).



**Fig. S6** DEPT 135 <sup>13</sup>C–NMR spectrum (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C) of a propylene–styrene copolymer prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$  (St content = 51%, Table 2, run 2)



**Fig. S7** Aliphatic part of the HSQC NMR spectrum (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C) of a propylene–styrene copolymer prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$  (St content = 51%, Table 2, run 2).



**Fig. S8** Aliphatic part of the HMBC NMR spectrum (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C) of a propylene–styrene copolymer prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$  (St content = 51%, Table 2, run 2).



**Fig. S9** GPC curves of propylene–styrene copolymers prepared by **4**/[Ph<sub>3</sub>C][B(C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>5</sub>)<sub>4</sub>] (Table 2, runs 2, 5, 8).



**Fig. S10** DSC curve of a propylene–styrene copolymer prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$  (St content = 14%, Table 2, run 5).



**Fig. S11** DSC curve of a propylene–styrene copolymer prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$  (St content = 51%, Table 2, run 2).

[Propylene]	[Styrene]	P cont.	St cont.	F	f	х	Y
(M)	(M)	mol%	mol%				
0.102	0.02	78	22	5.10	3.55	3.66	7.34
0.102	0.025	72	28	4.08	2.57	2.49	6.47
0.102	0.035	63	38	2.91	1.66	1.16	5.12
0.102	0.05	51	49	2.04	1.04	0.08	4.00
0.102	0.07	41	59	1.46	0.69	-0.64	3.06
0.102	0.1	29	71	1.02	0.41	-1.48	2.55

**Table S1**Calculation of the reactivity ratios.





<sup>19 48 47 46 45 44 43 42 41 40 39 38 37 36 35 34 33 32 31 30 29 28 27 26 25 24 23 22 21 20 19 18 17</sup> f1 (ppm)

Fig. S12  ${}^{13}C$ -NMR spectra (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C) of random ethylene-propylene copolymers prepared by 4/[Ph<sub>3</sub>C][B(C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>5</sub>)<sub>4</sub>] (Table 3, runs 1, 2).



**Fig. S13** GPC curves of random ethylene–propylene copolymers prepared by **4**/[Ph<sub>3</sub>C][B(C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>5</sub>)<sub>4</sub>] (Table 3, runs 1, 2).



**Fig. S14** DSC curve of a random propylene–ethylene copolymer prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$  (E content = 30%, P content = 70%, Table 3, run 2).



**4**/[Ph<sub>3</sub>C][B(C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>5</sub>)<sub>4</sub>] (Table 3, run 3).



Fig. S16 GPC curves of ethylene–styrene copolymers prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$  (Table 3, runs 3).



**Fig. S17** DSC curve of an ethylene–styrene copolymer prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$  (St content = 28%, Table 3, run 3).



**Fig. S18** DSC curve of an ethylene–styrene copolymer prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$  (St content = 38 %, Table 3, run 4).



**Fig. S19** <sup>1</sup>H–NMR spectra (400 MHz,  $C_2D_2Cl_4$ , 25 °C) of propylene–ethylene–styrene terpolymers prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$  (Table 3, runs 8–10).



**Fig. S20** <sup>13</sup>C–NMR spectrum (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C) of a random propylene–ethylene–styrene terpolymer prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$  (St content = 23%, E content = 74%, Table 3, run 7).



**Fig. S21** GPC curves of random propylene–ethylene–styrene terpolymers prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$  (Table 3, runs 8–10).



**Fig. S22** DSC curve of a propylene–ethylene–styrene terpolymer prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$  (St content = 5%, E content = 65%, Table 3, run 5).



**Fig. S23** DSC curve of a propylene–ethylene–styrene terpolymer prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$  (St content = 13%, E content = 65%, Table 3, run 6).



**Fig. S24** DSC curve of a propylene–ethylene–styrene terpolymer prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$  (St content = 7%, E content = 55%, Table 3, run 8).



**Fig. S25** DSC curve of a propylene–ethylene–styrene terpolymer prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$  (St content = 15%, E content = 48%, Table 3, run 9).



Fig. S26 DSC curve of a propylene–ethylene–styrene terpolymer prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$  (St content = 32%, E content = 43%, Table 3, run 10).



**Fig. S27** DSC curve of a propylene–ethylene–styrene terpolymer prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$  (St content = 12%, E content = 45%, Table 3, run 11).



**Fig. S28** DSC curve of a propylene–ethylene–styrene terpolymer prepared by  $4/[Ph_3C][B(C_6F_5)_4]$  (St content = 30%, E content = 45%, Table 3, run 13).