

**A controlled iso-specific polymerization of 2-vinylpyridine catalyzed by  
arylamide-ligated rare-earth metal aminobenzyl complexes**

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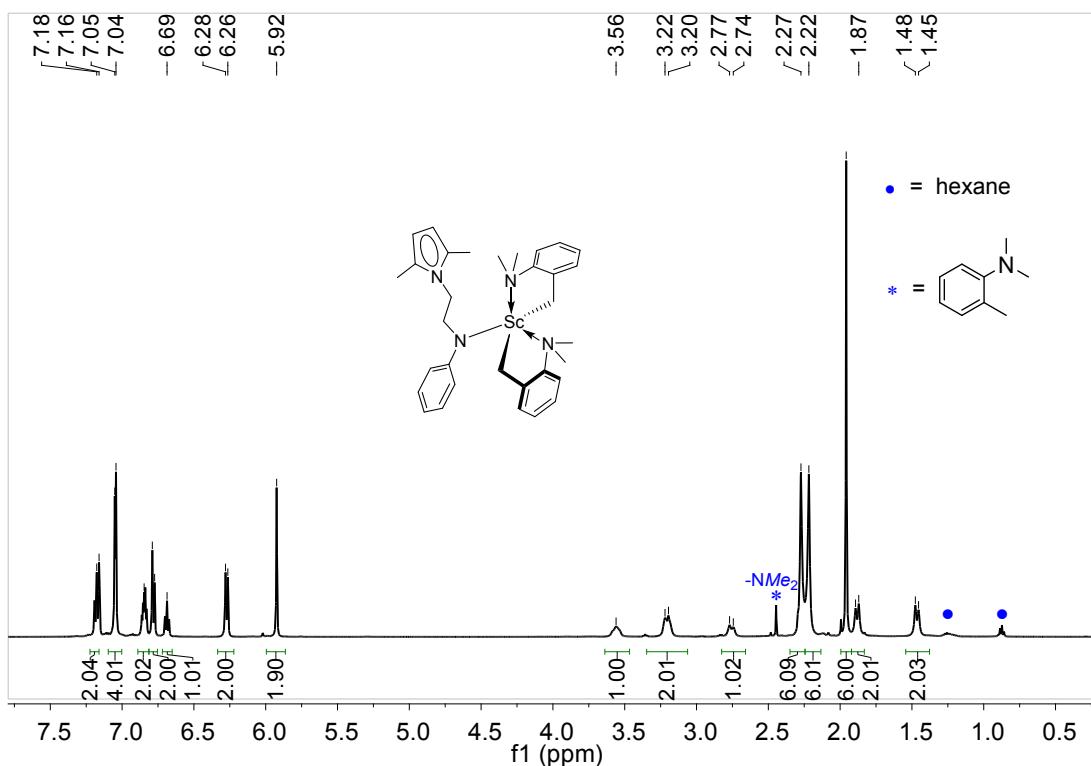
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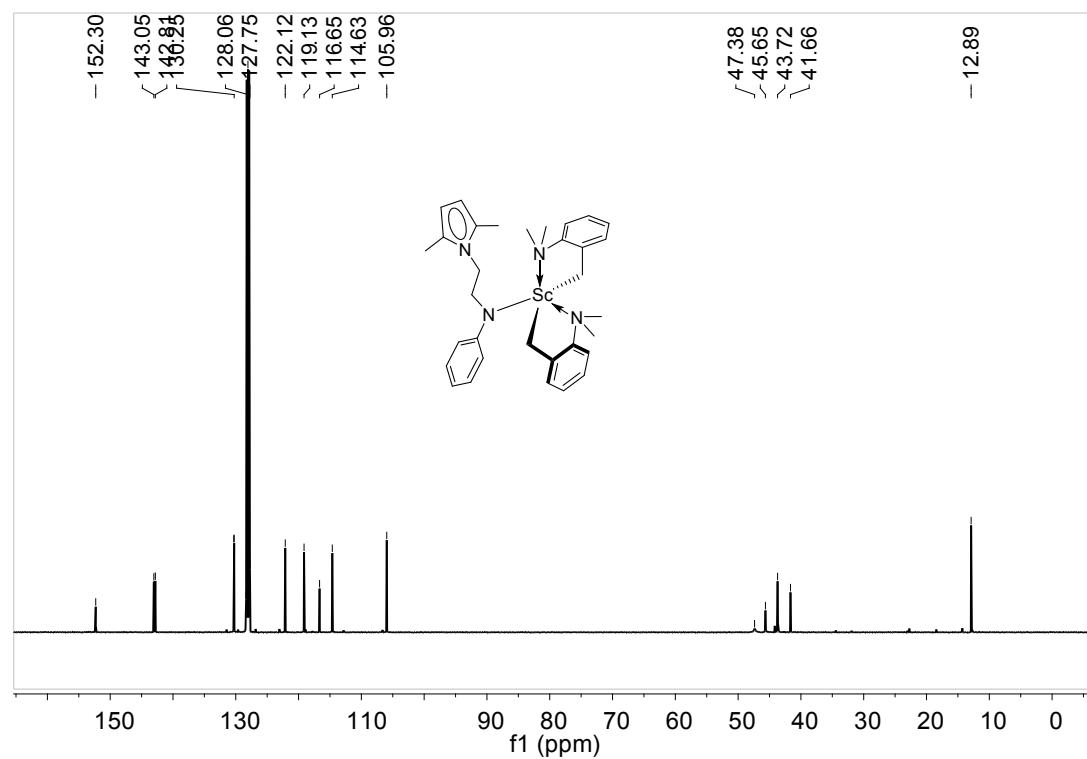
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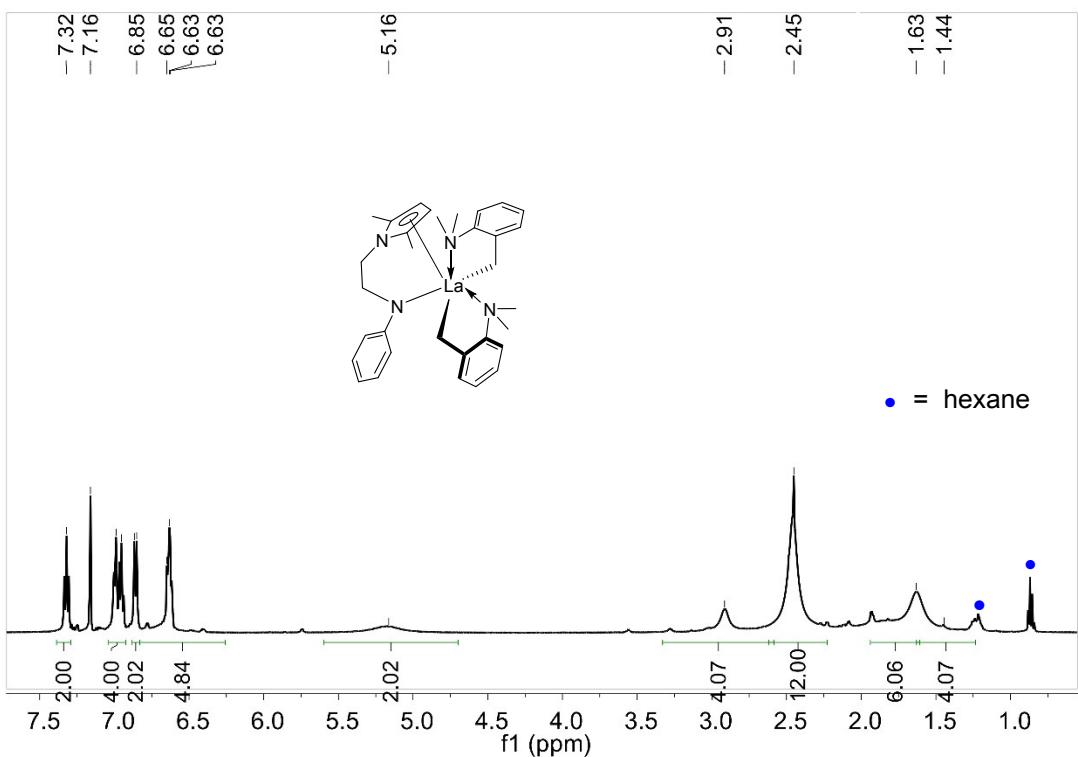
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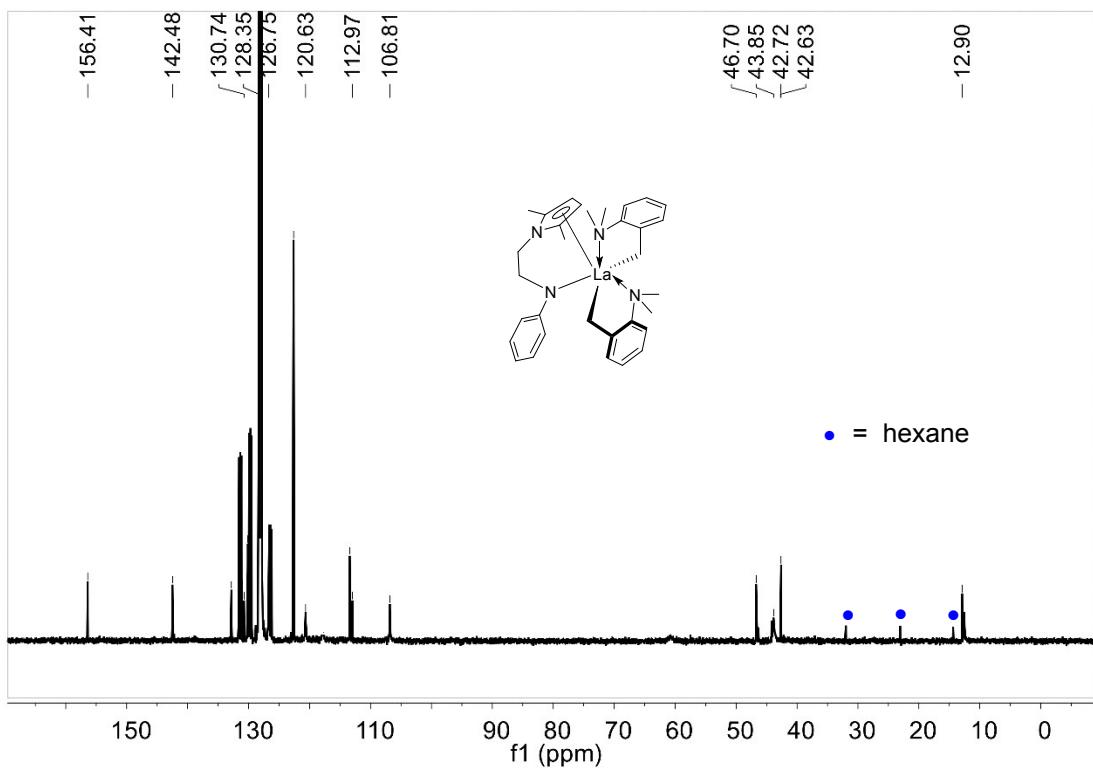
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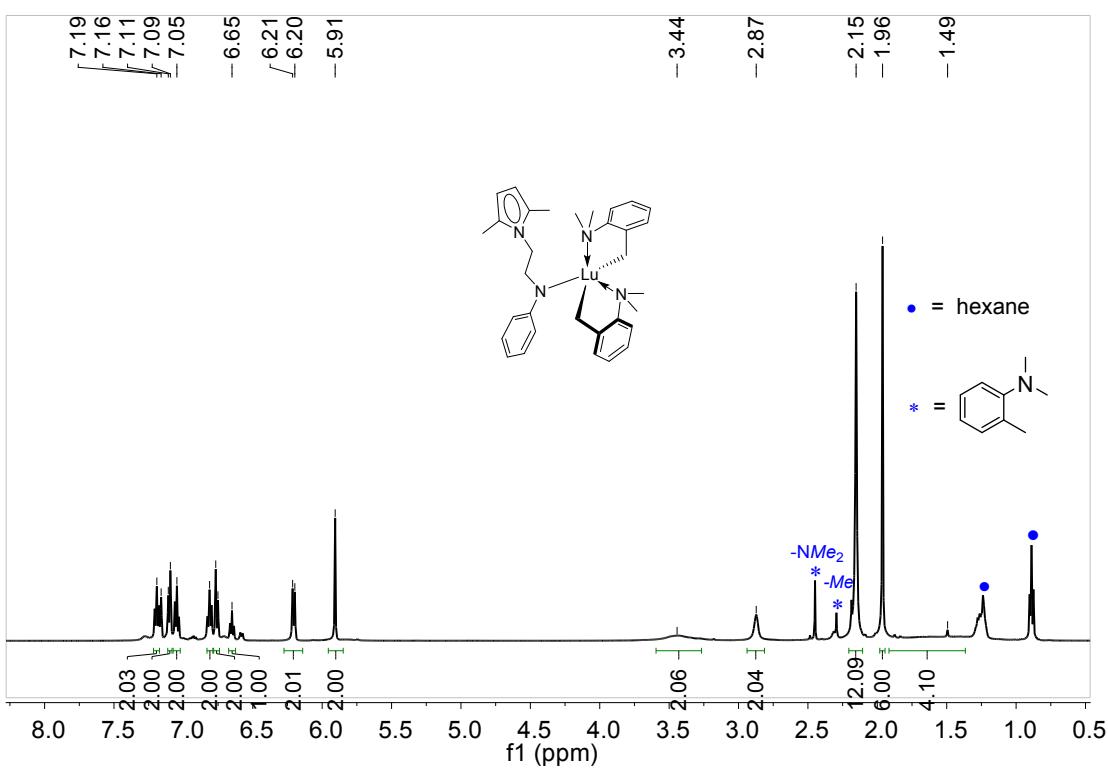
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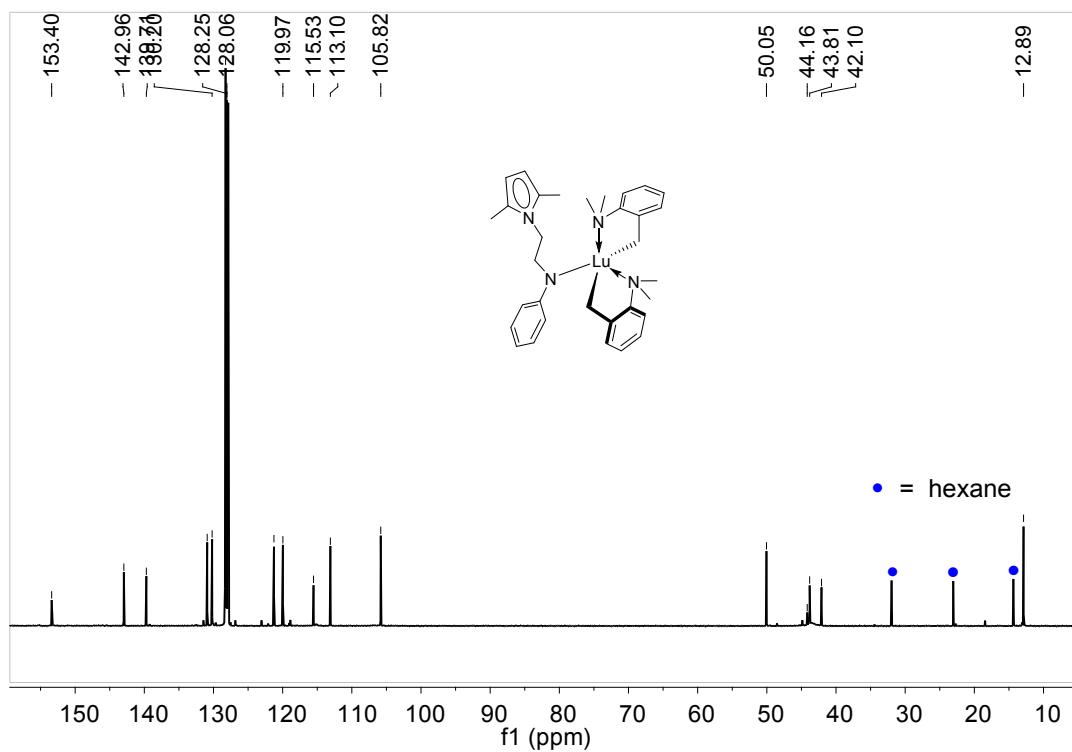
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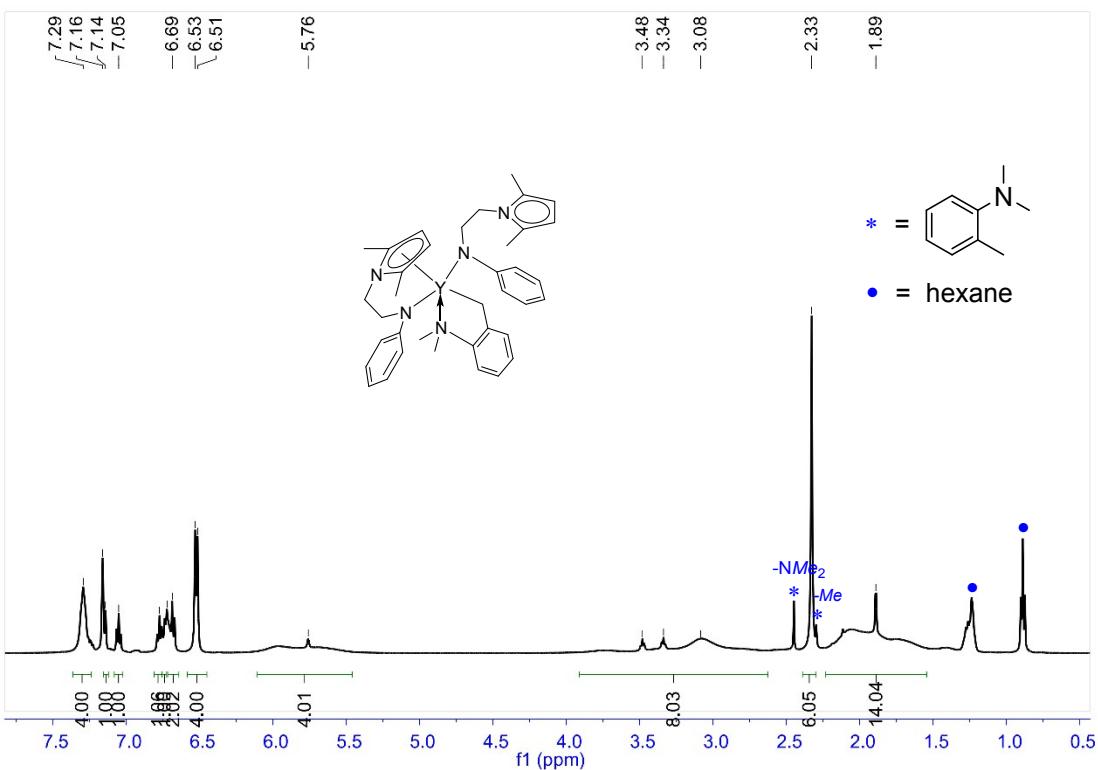
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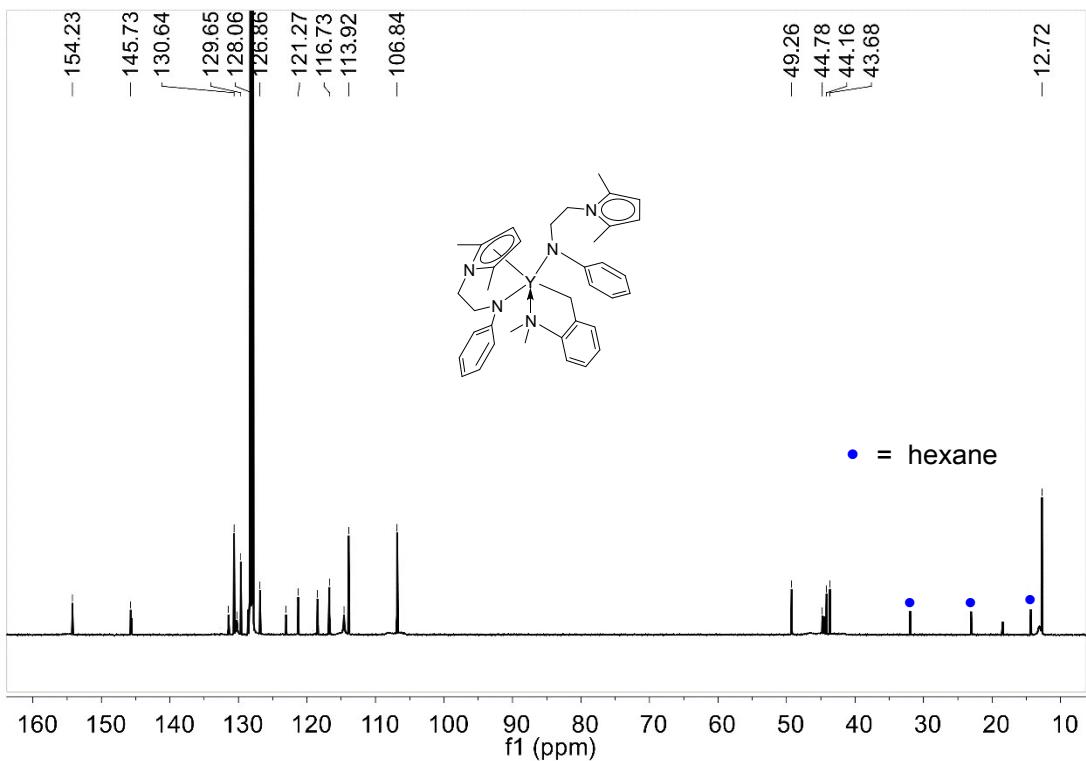
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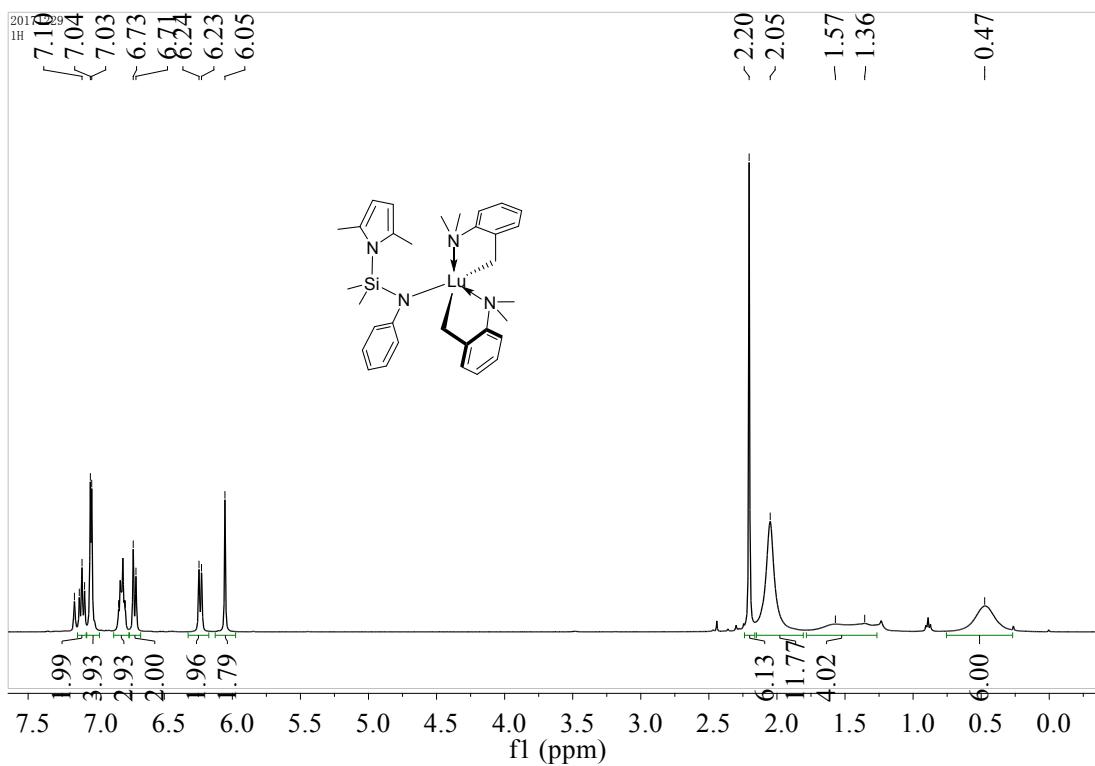
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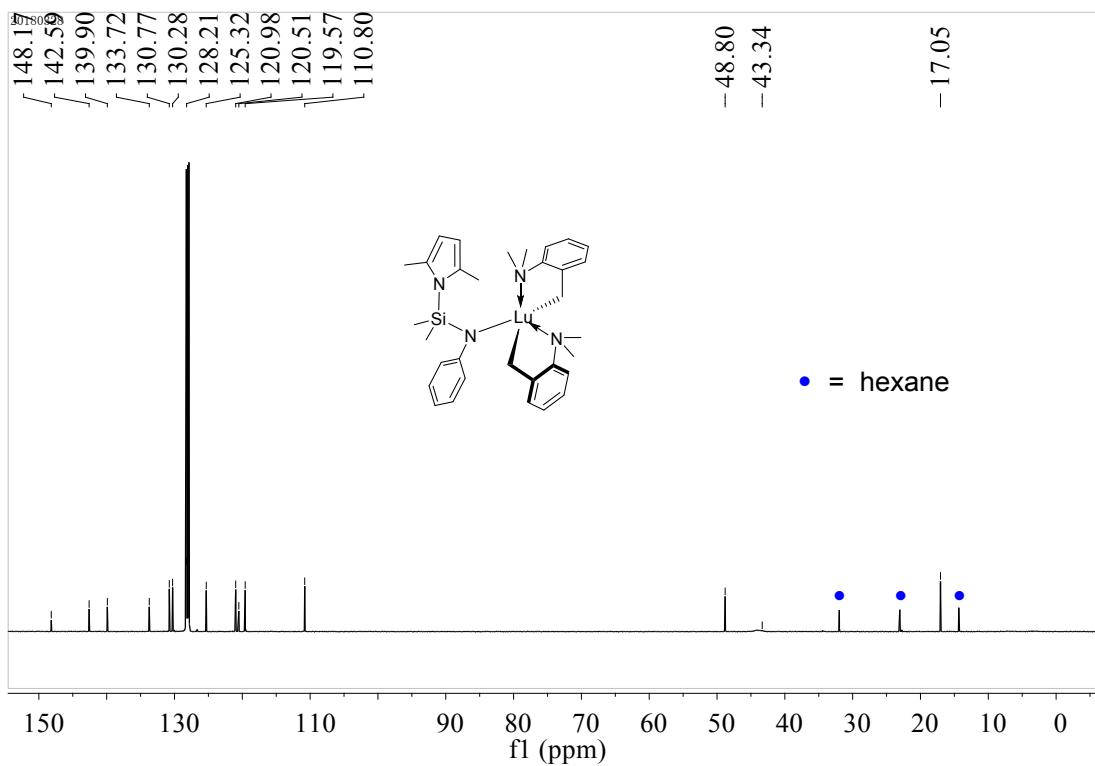
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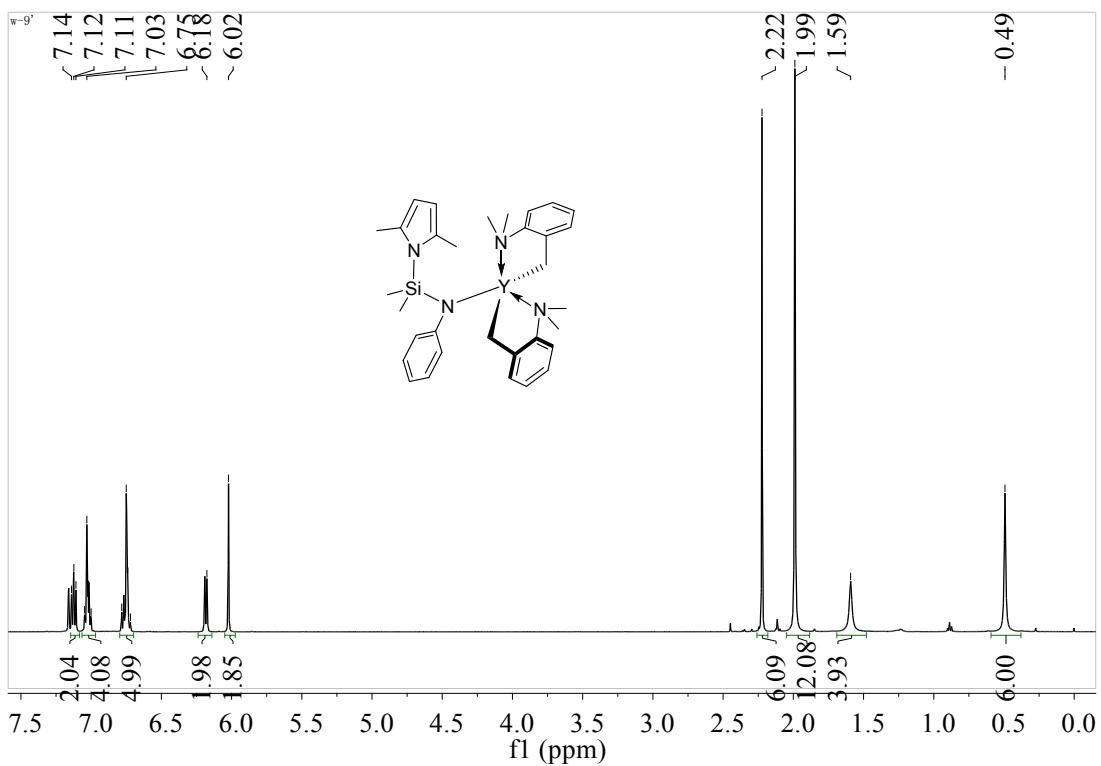
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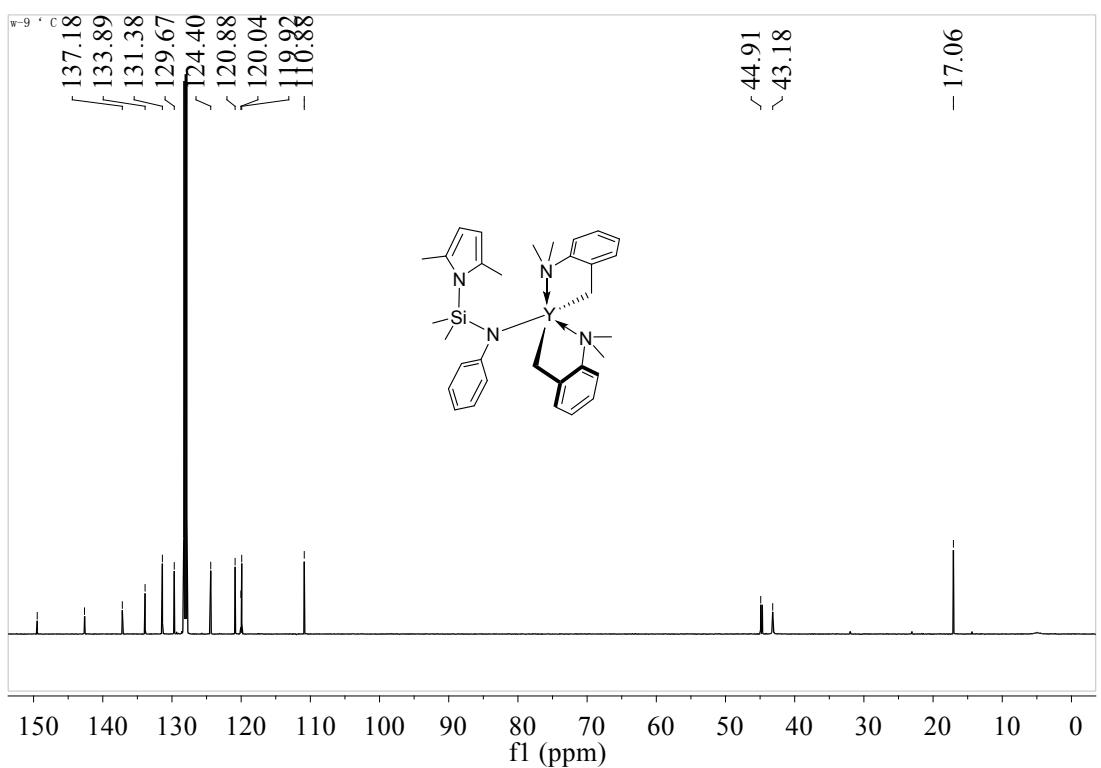
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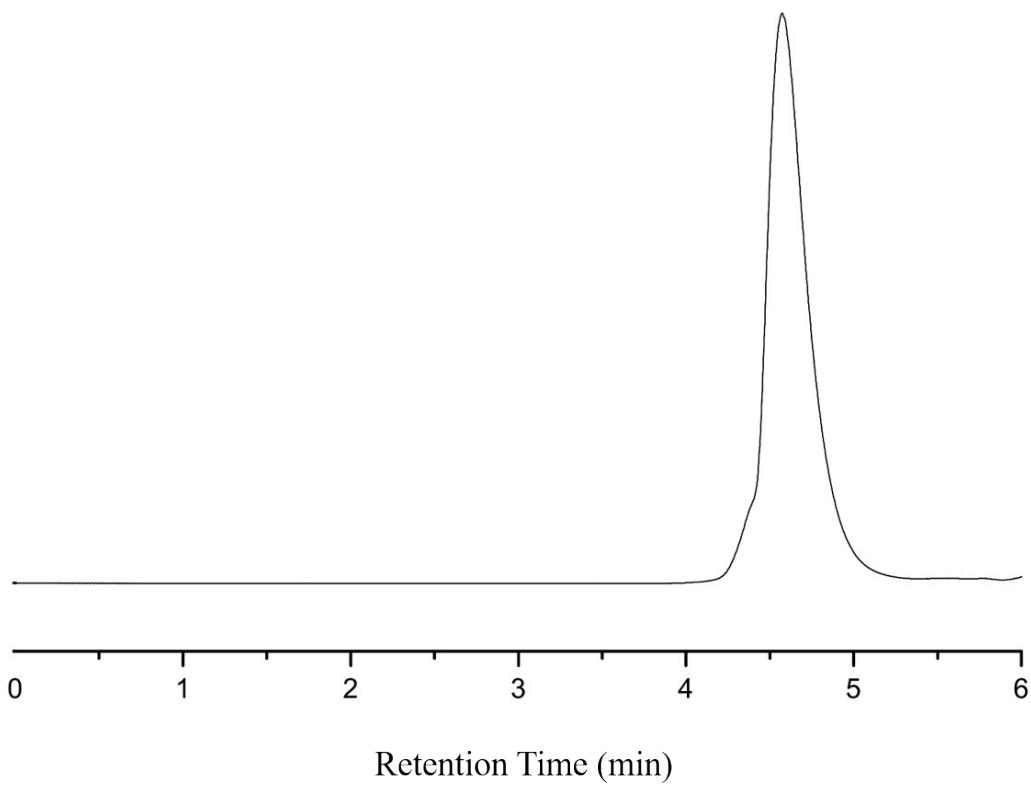
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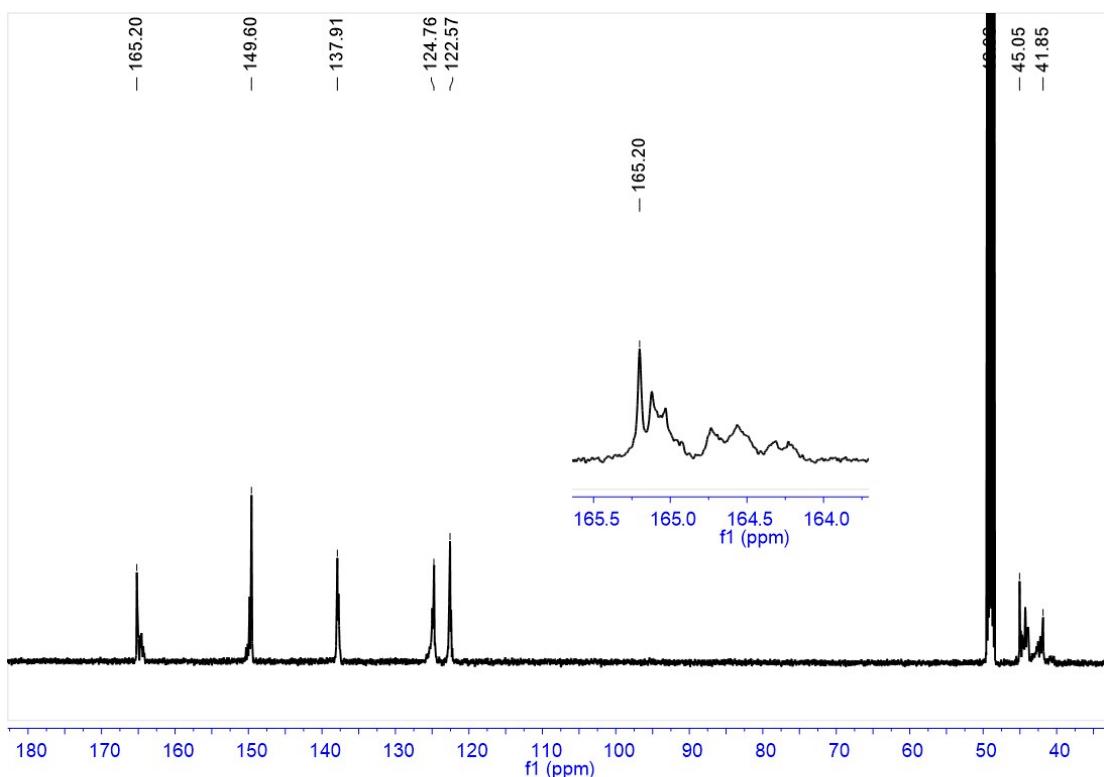
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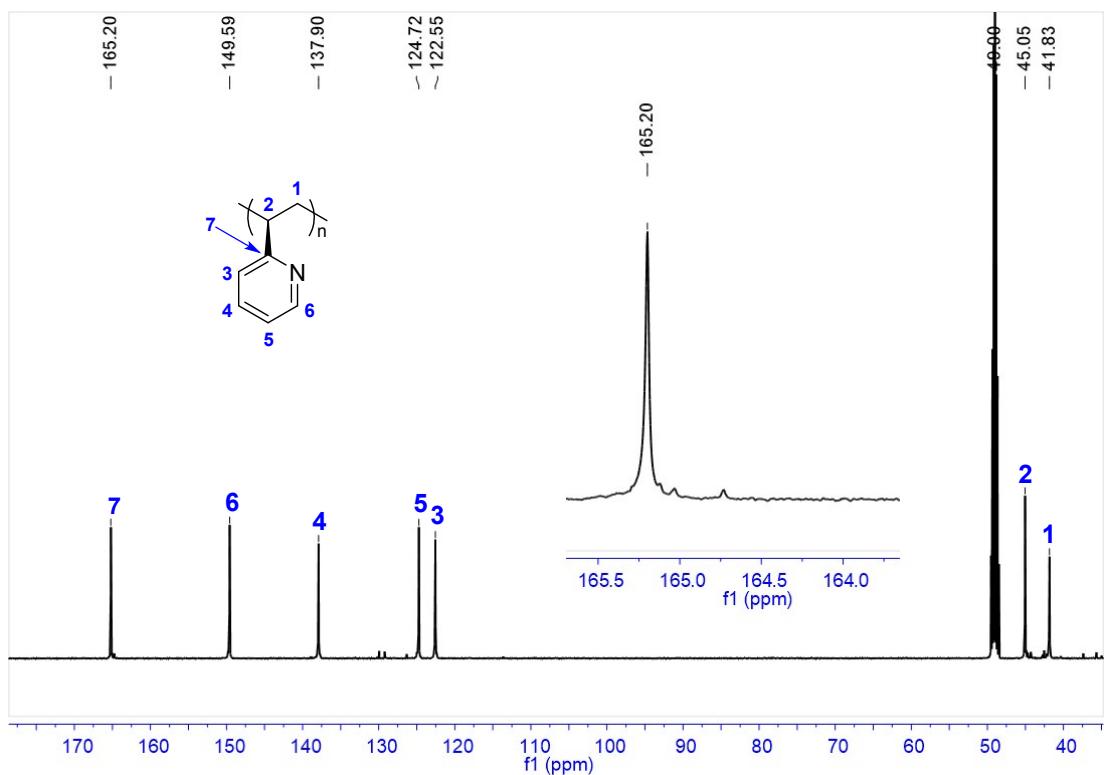
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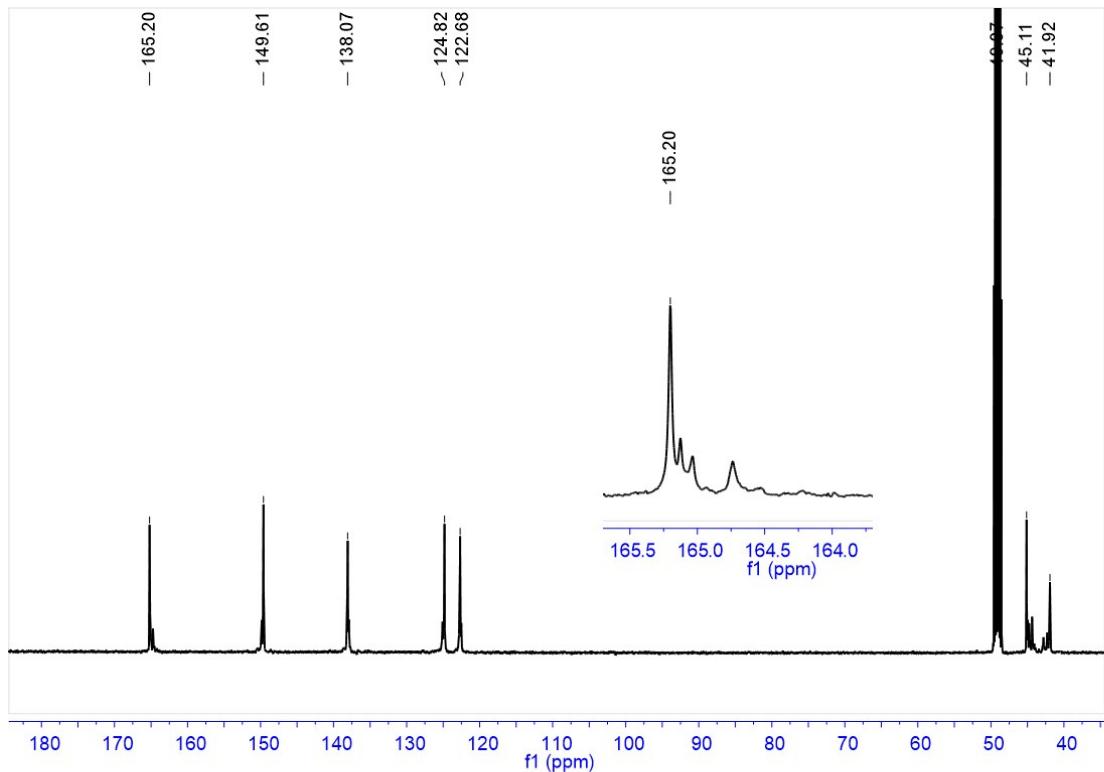
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**SFig. 15** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of P2VP obtained from 2-VP by using catalyst **4** as initiator in toluene at 25 °C (run 5, Table 1) in  $\text{CD}_3\text{OD}$ .



**SFig. 16** The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of P2VP obtained from 2-VP by using catalyst **5** as initiator in toluene at 25 °C (run 9, Table 1) in  $\text{CD}_3\text{OD}$ .