

Supporting information

**Anilido-Oxazoline-Ligated Rare-Earth Metal Complexes: Synthesis, Characterization and Highly *cis*-1,4-Selective Polymerization of Isoprene**

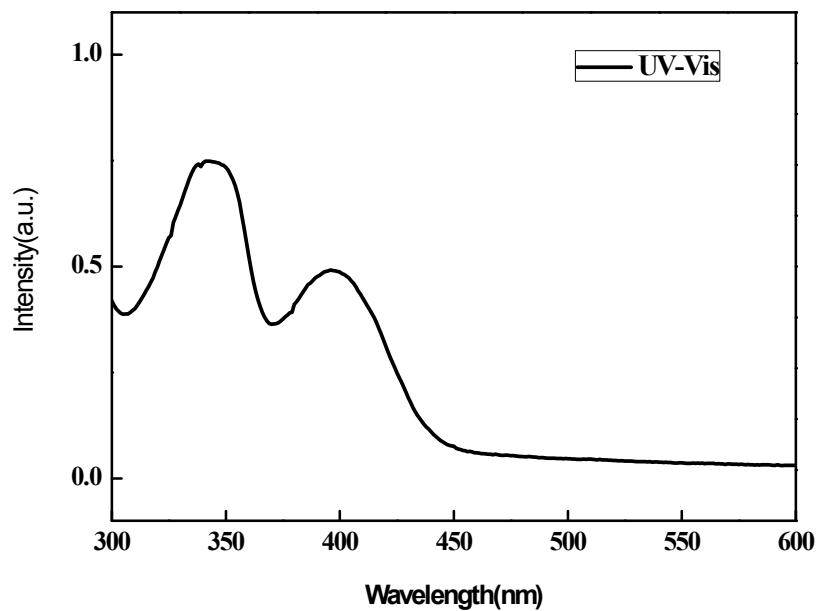
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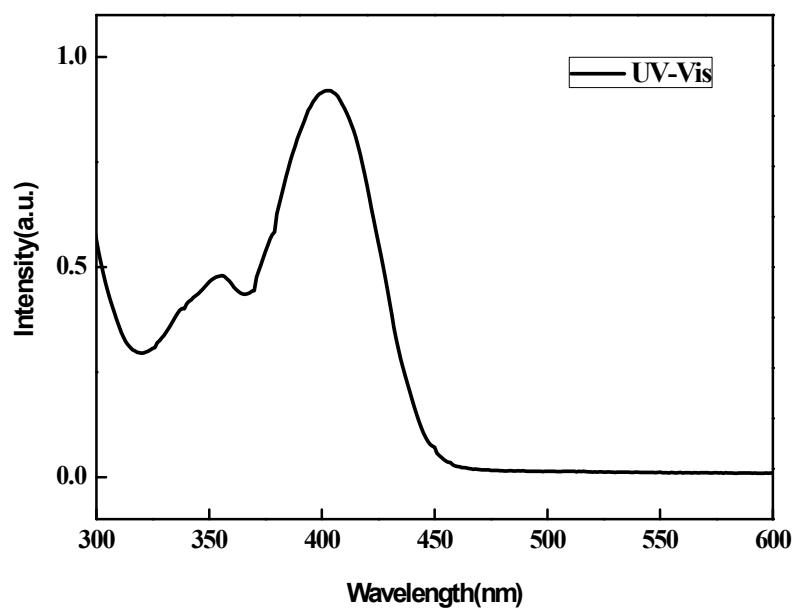
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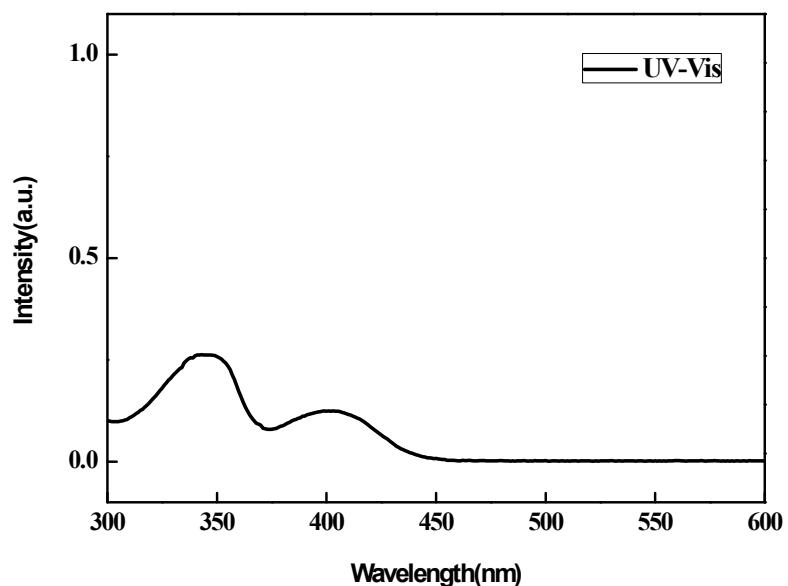
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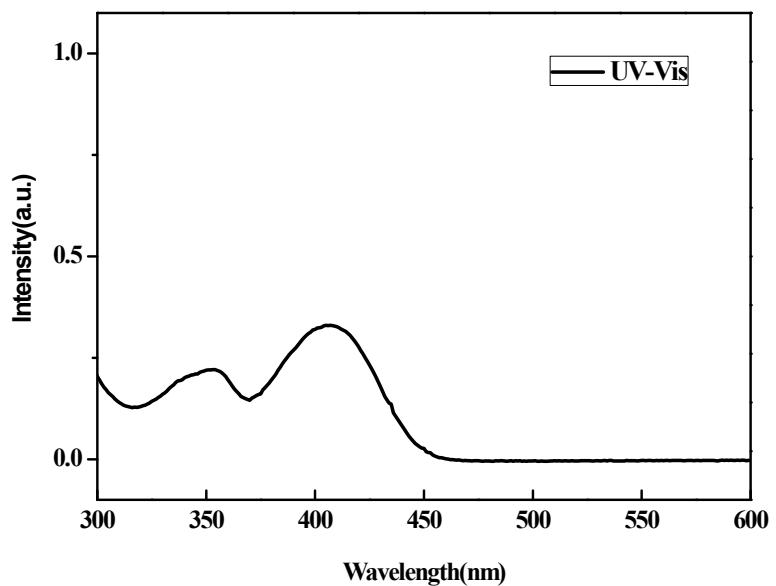
**Fig. S1.** UV-Vis spectrum of  $L^1\text{Sc}(\text{CH}_2\text{SiMe}_3)_2\text{THF}$  (**1**) at 25 °C in hexane.



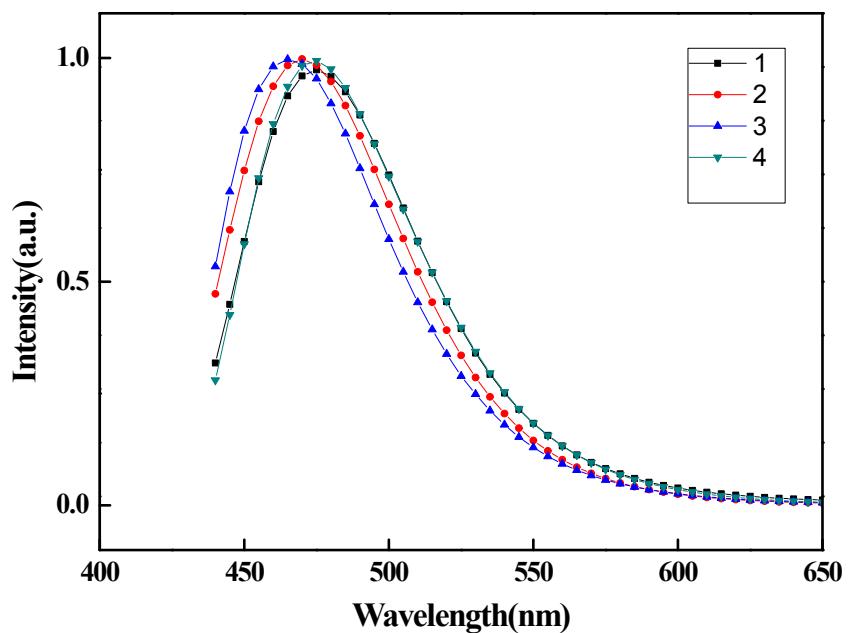
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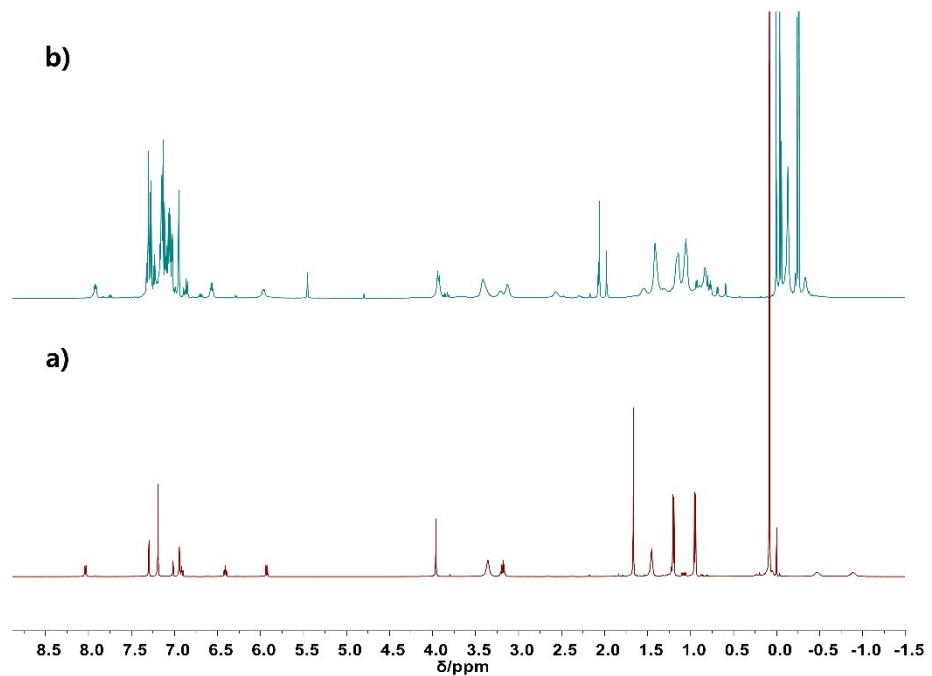
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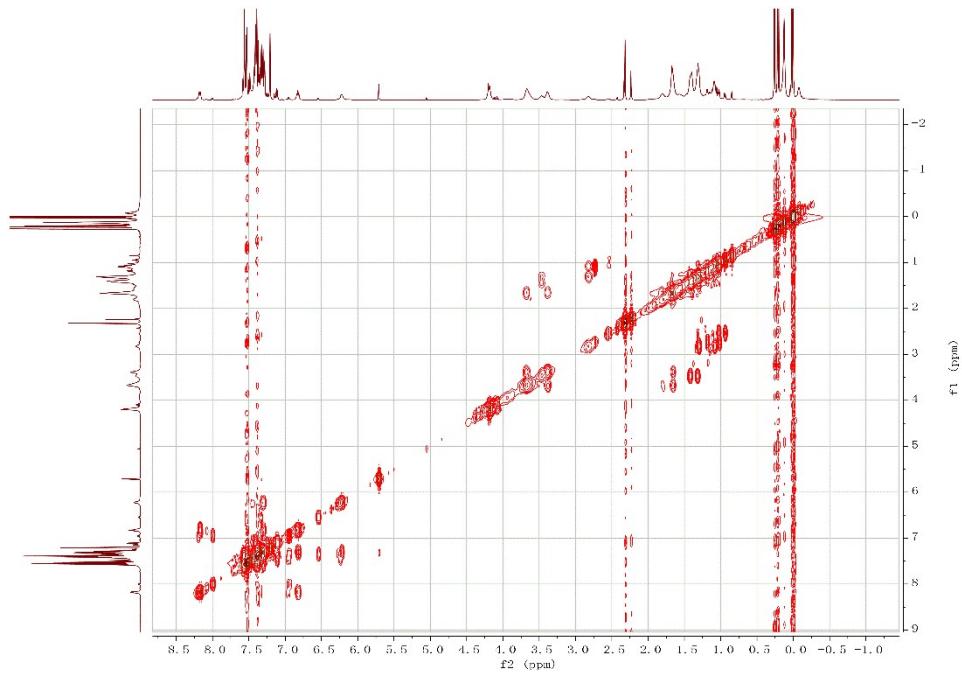
**Fig. S4.** UV-Vis spectrum of  $\text{L}^2\text{Y}(\text{CH}_2\text{SiMe}_3)_2\text{THF}$  (**4**) at 25 °C in hexane.



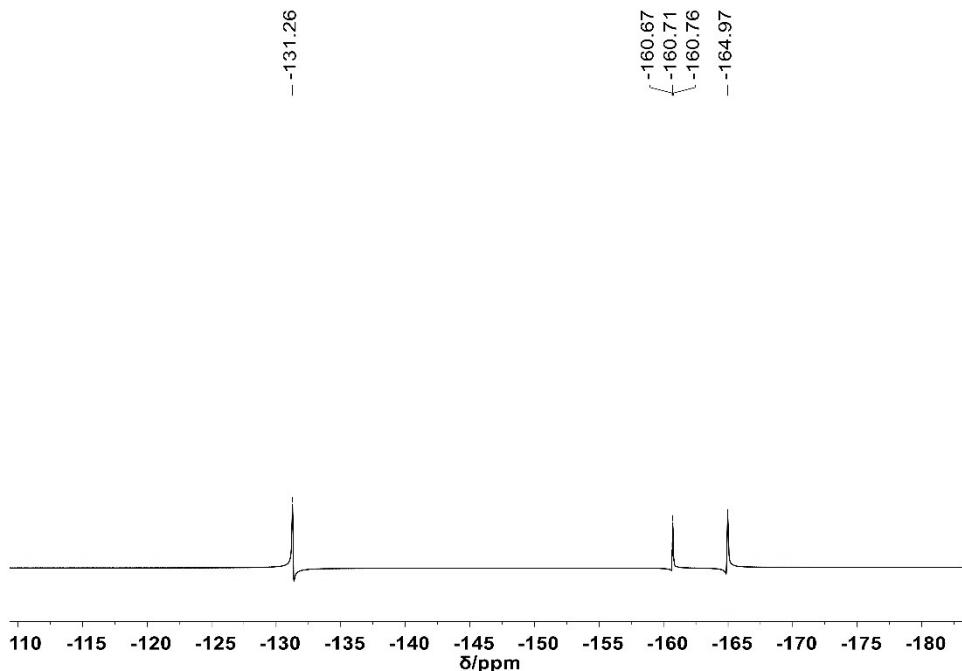
**Fig. S5.** Fluorescence emission spectra of complexes **1–4** at 25 °C in hexane.



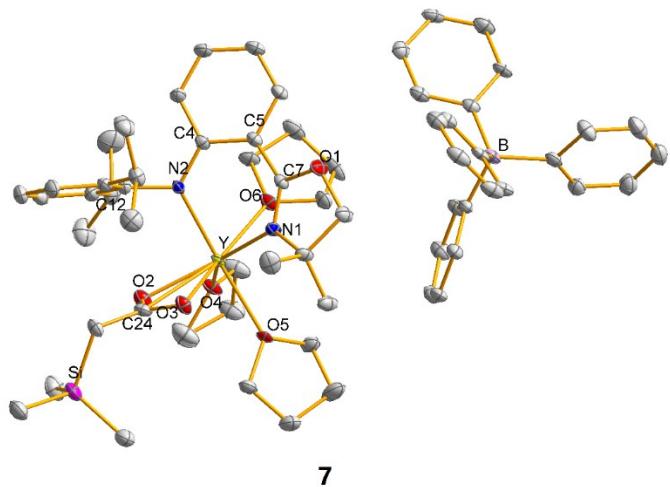
**Fig. S6.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra (500 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>5</sub>Br, 25 °C) of a) **4**; b) **4/[Ph<sub>3</sub>C][B(C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>5</sub>)<sub>4</sub>]**.



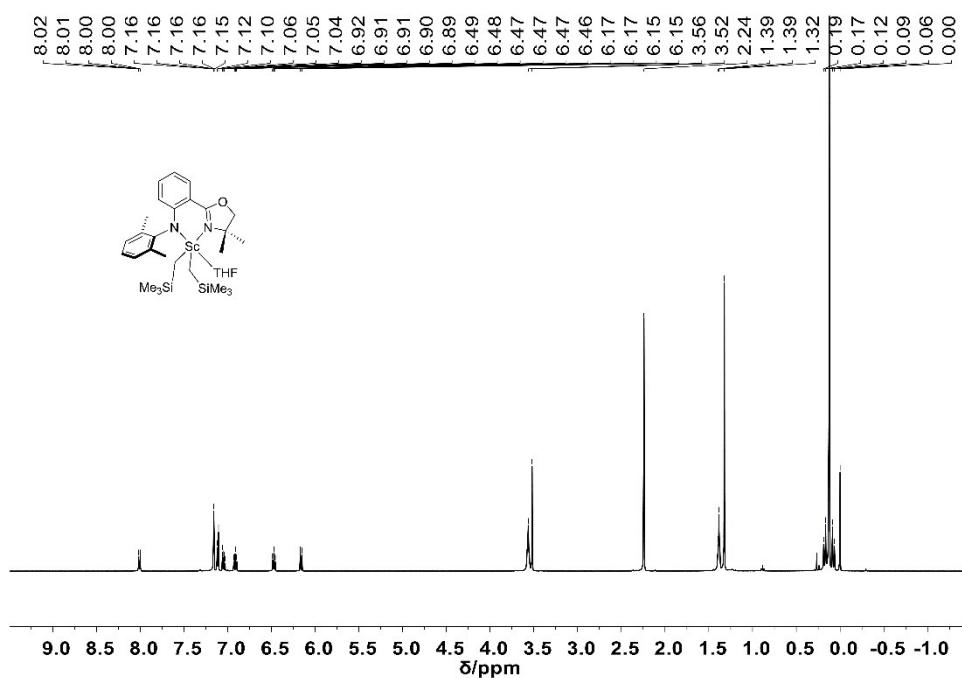
**Fig. S7.**  $^1\text{H}$ - $^1\text{H}$  COSY NMR spectrum of **4**/[Ph<sub>3</sub>C][B(C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>5</sub>)<sub>4</sub>] in C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>5</sub>Br.



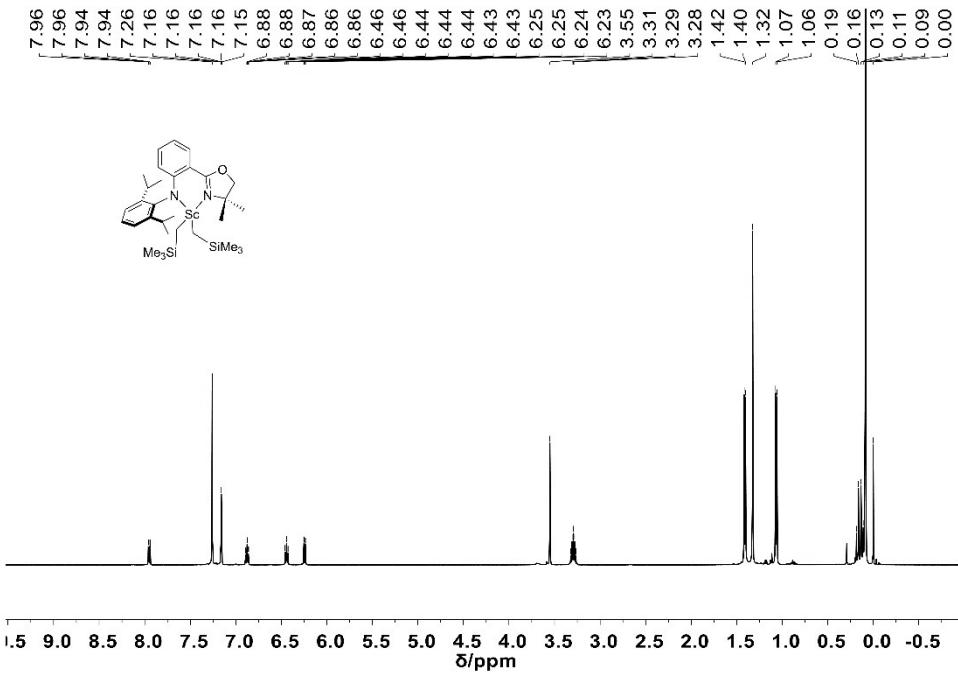
**Fig. S8.**  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum (470 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>5</sub>Br, 25 °C) of **4**/[Ph<sub>3</sub>C][B(C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>5</sub>)<sub>4</sub>].



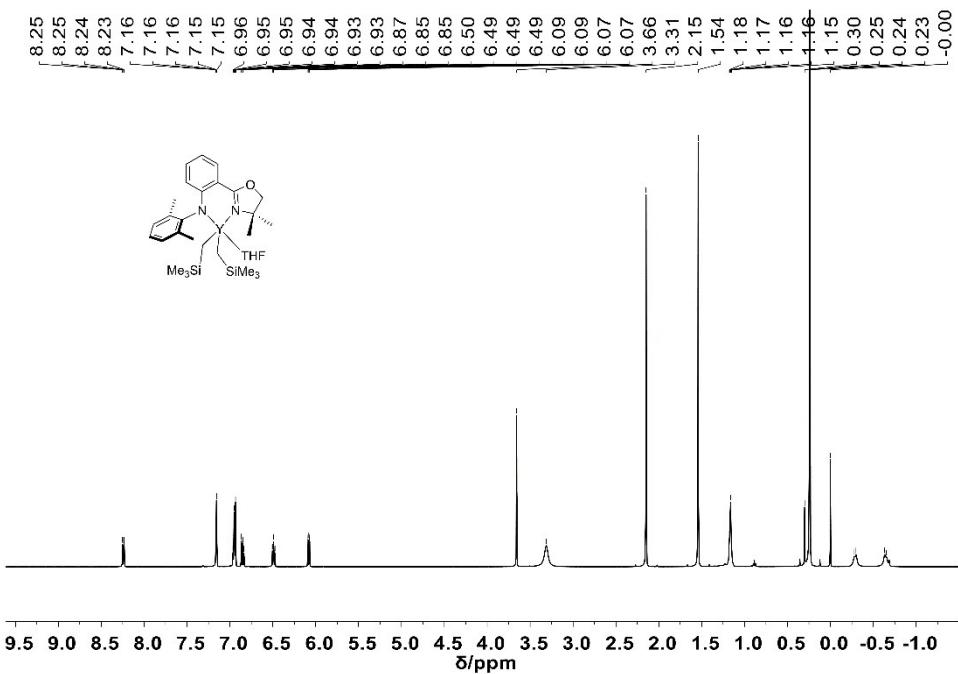
**Fig. S9** Geometric structure of **7** (CCDC: 1880488). Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity. The ellipsoids are drawn at 30% probability level. Selected bond lengths ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and angles ( $^{\circ}$ ): Y-N(1) 2.3979, Y-N(2) 2.3152, Y-O(2) 2.2673, Y-O(3) 2.3519, Y-O(4) 2.4888, Y-O(5) 2.3871, Y-O(6) 2.4043, N(1)-C(7) 1.2896, N(2)-C(4) 1.3623, O(2)-Y-O(3) 56.396, O(2)-Y-C(24) 93.401, O(3)-Y-C(24) 90.389, N(2)-Y-O(4) 118.994, N(1)-Y-N(2) 77.517, O(2)-C(24)-O(3) 118.30, N(1)-Y-O(5) 92.960.



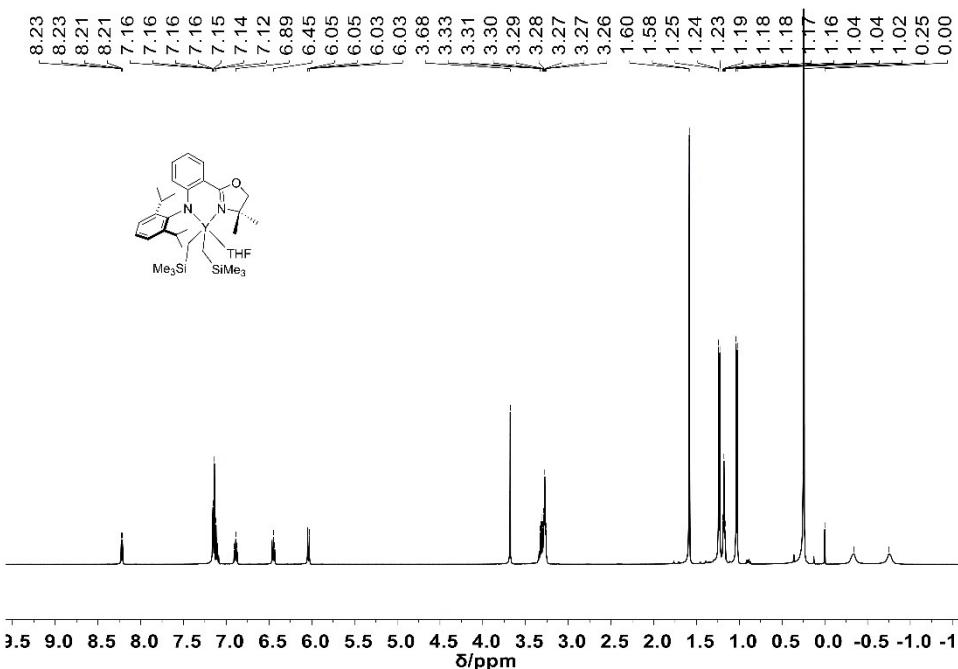
**Fig. S10.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (500 MHz,  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ , 25°C) of  $\text{L}^1\text{Sc}(\text{CH}_2\text{SiMe}_3)_2\text{THF}$  (**1**).



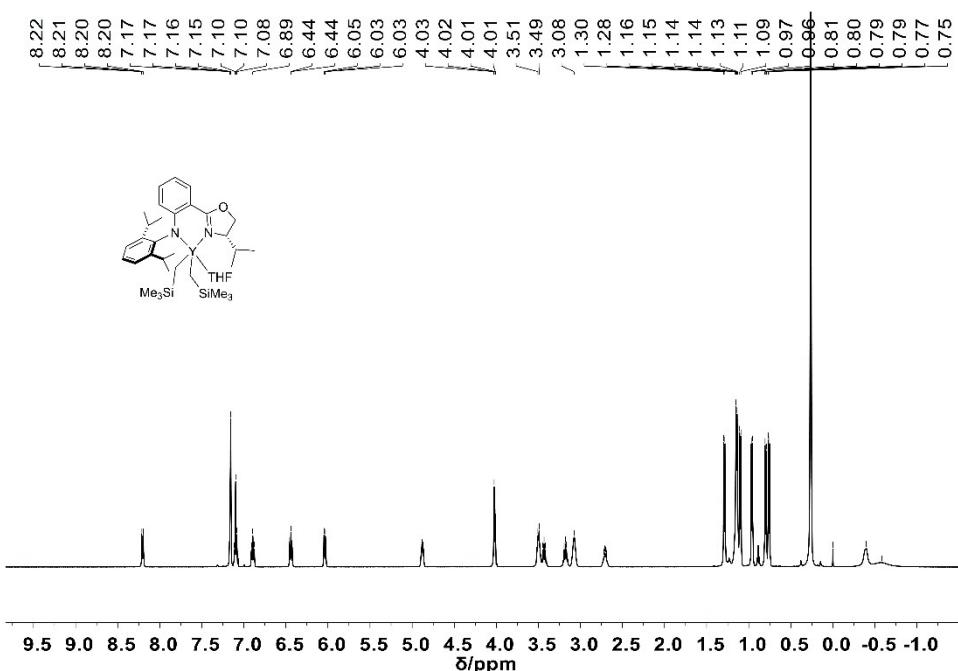
**Fig. S11.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (500 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 25°C) of L<sup>2</sup>Sc(CH<sub>2</sub>SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (**2**).



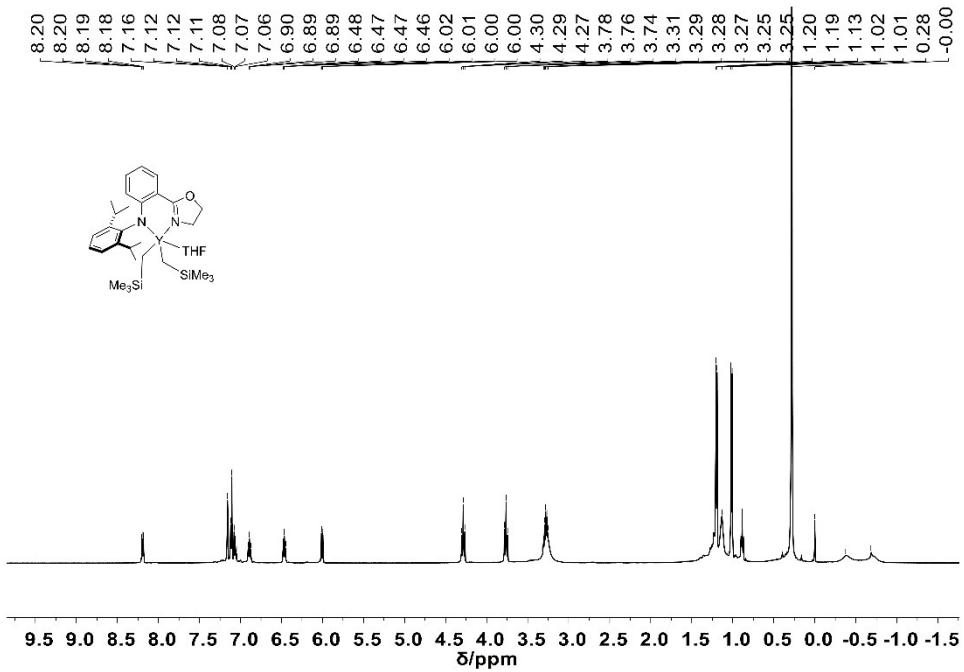
**Fig. S12.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (500 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 25°C) of L<sup>1</sup>Y(CH<sub>2</sub>SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>THF (**3**).



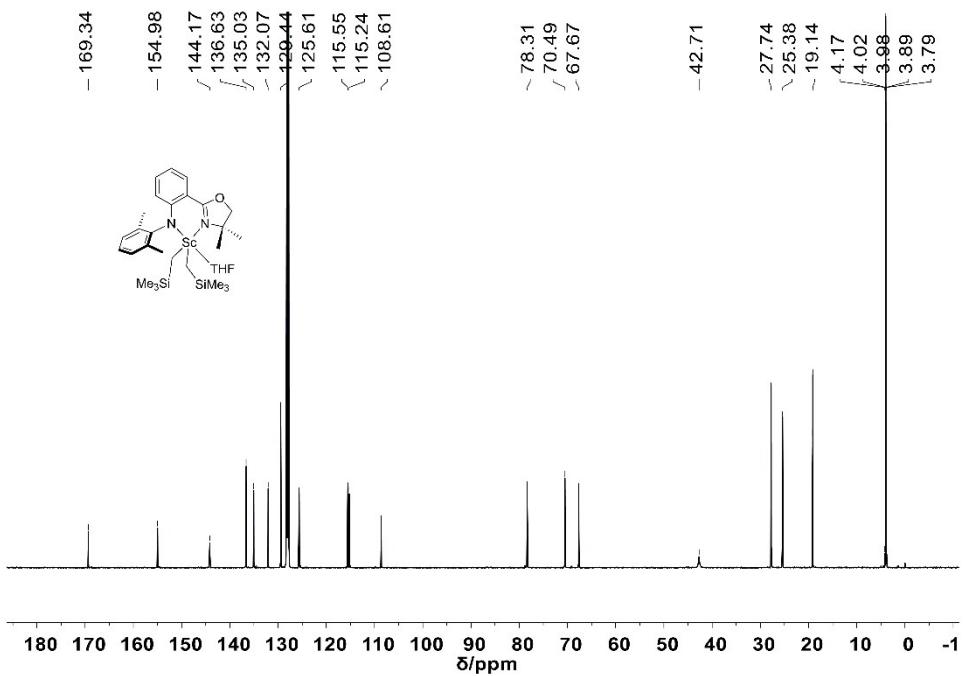
**Fig. S13.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (500 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 25°C) of L<sup>2</sup>Y(CH<sub>2</sub>SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>THF (**4**).



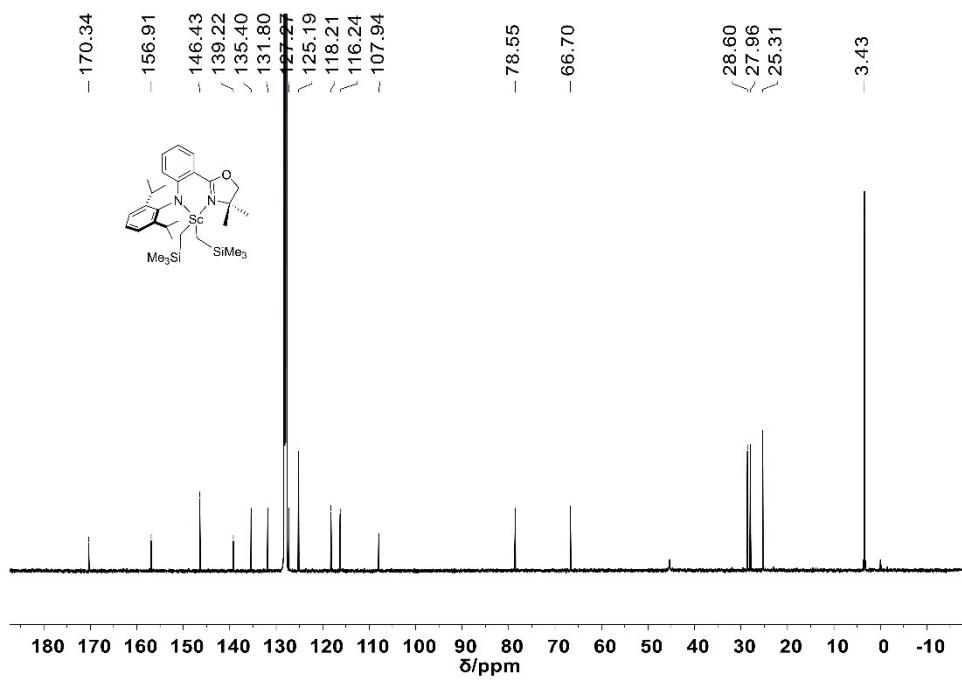
**Fig. S14.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (500 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 25°C) of L<sup>3</sup>Y(CH<sub>2</sub>SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>THF (**5**).



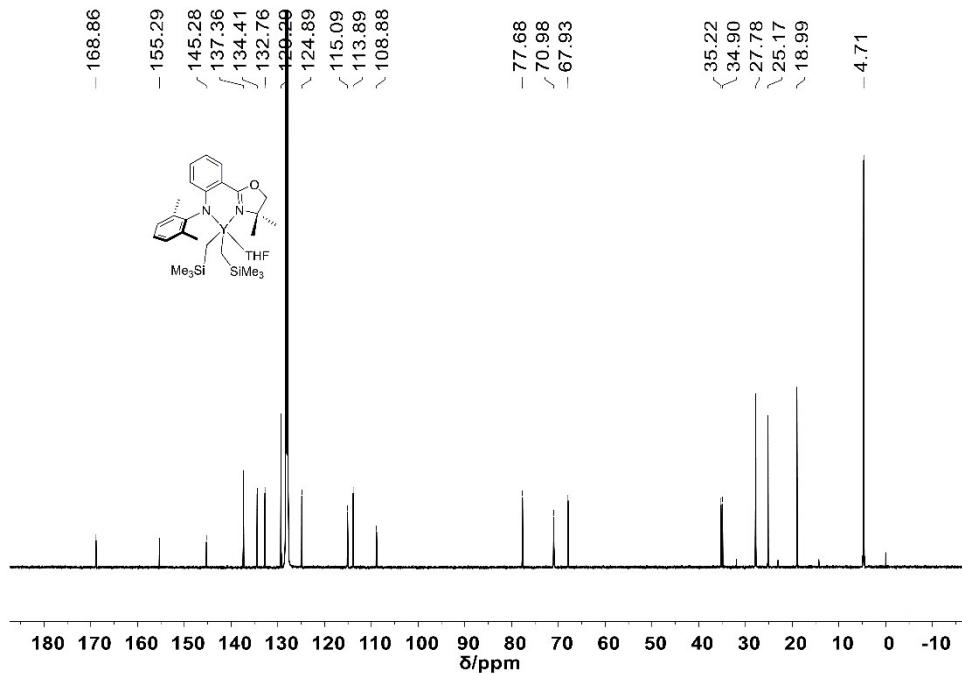
**Fig. S15.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (500 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 25°C) of L<sup>4</sup>Y(CH<sub>2</sub>SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>THF (6).



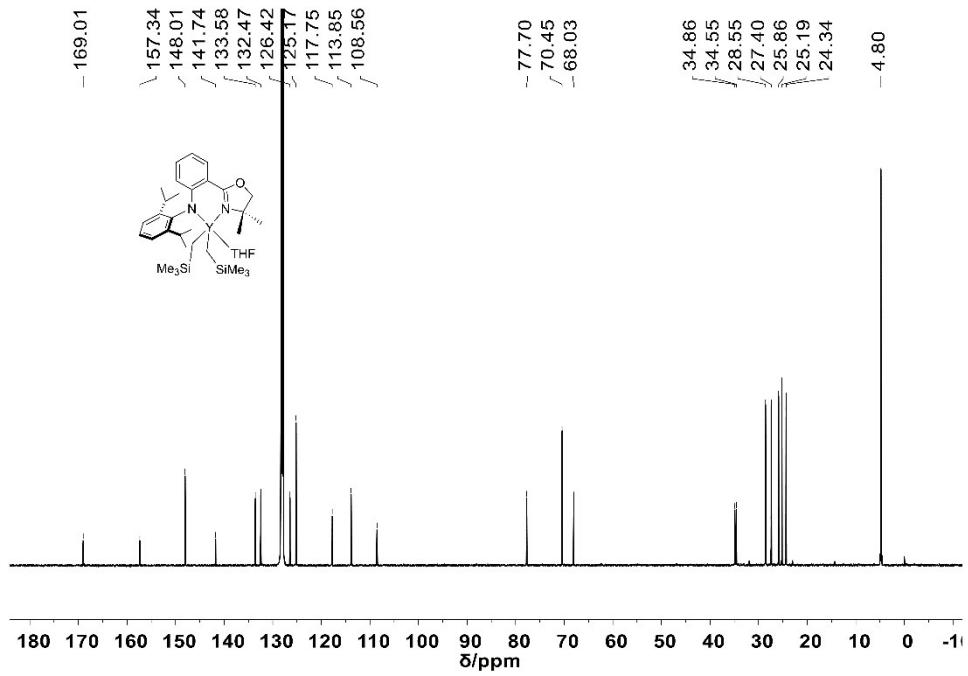
**Fig. S16.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum (125 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 25°C) of L<sup>1</sup>Sc(CH<sub>2</sub>SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>THF (1).



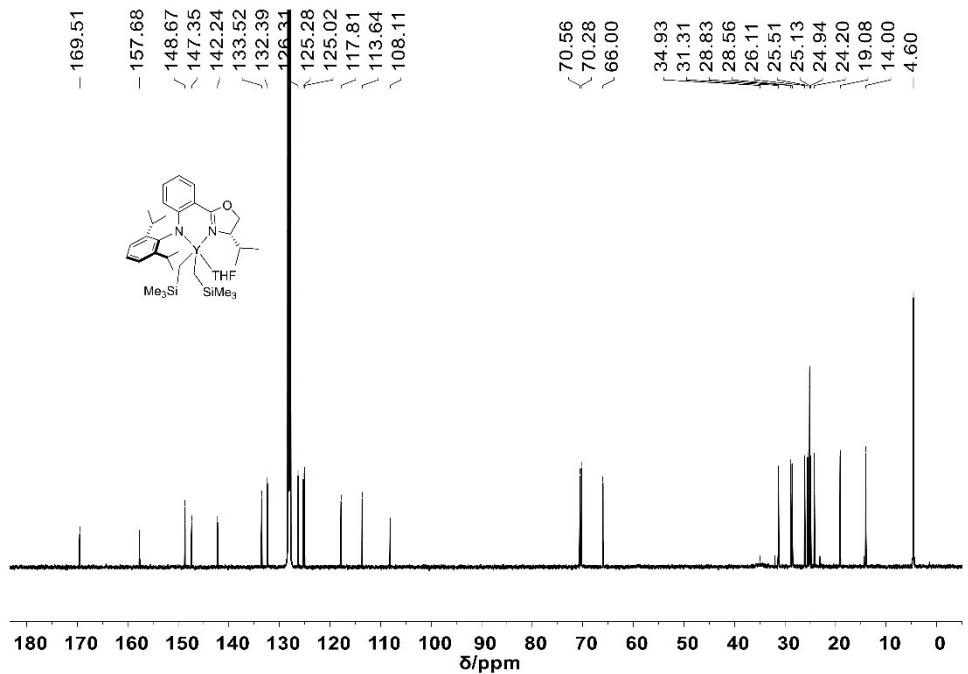
**Fig. S17.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (125 MHz,  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ , 25°C) of  $\text{L}^2\text{Sc}(\text{CH}_2\text{SiMe}_3)_2$  (**2**).



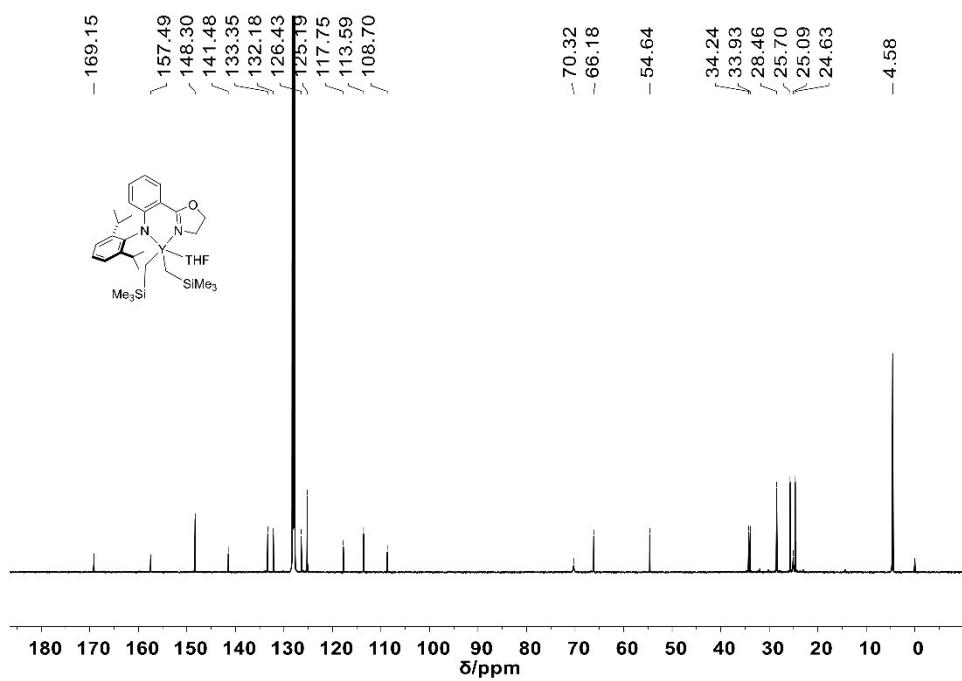
**Fig. S18.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (125 MHz,  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ , 25°C) of  $\text{L}^1\text{Y}(\text{CH}_2\text{SiMe}_3)_2\text{THF}$  (**3**).



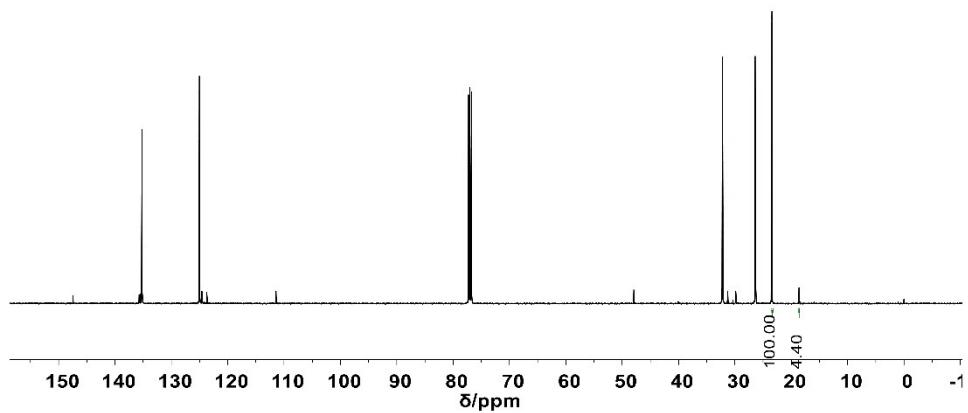
**Fig. S19.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (125 MHz,  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ , 25°C) of  $\text{L}^2\text{Y}(\text{CH}_2\text{SiMe}_3)_2\text{THF}$  (**4**).



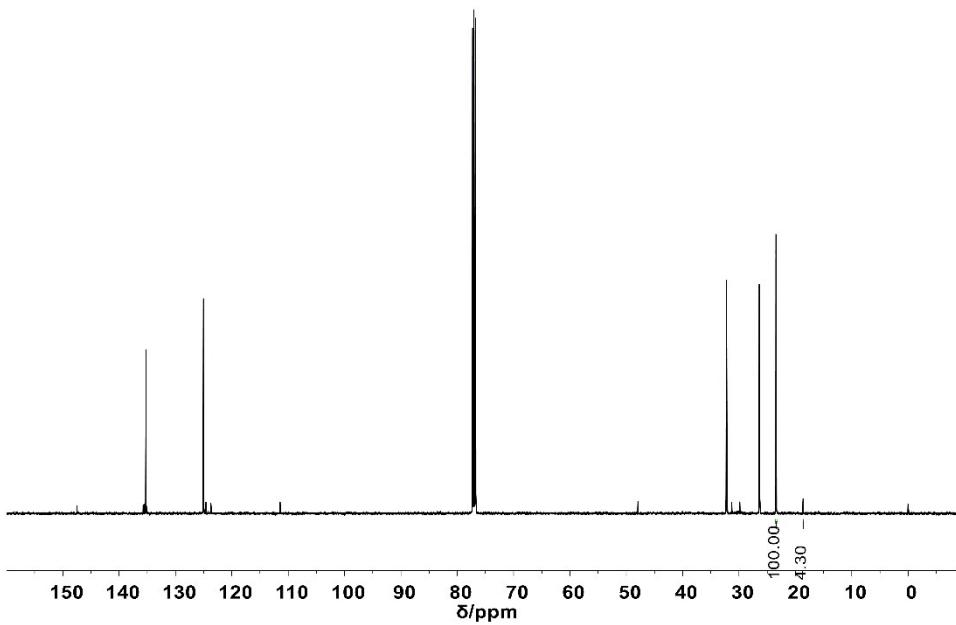
**Fig. S20.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (125 MHz,  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ , 25°C) of  $\text{L}^3\text{Y}(\text{CH}_2\text{SiMe}_3)_2\text{THF}$  (**5**).



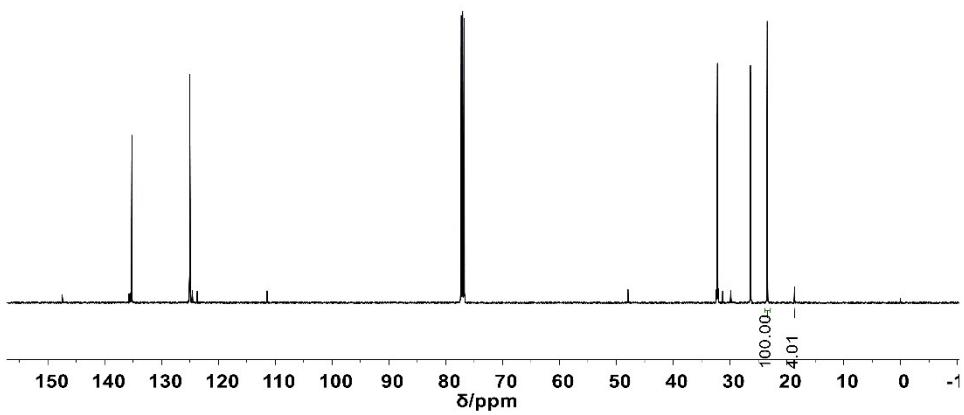
**Fig. S21.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (125 MHz,  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ , 25°C) of  $\text{L}^4\text{Y}(\text{CH}_2\text{SiMe}_3)_2\text{THF}$  (**6**).



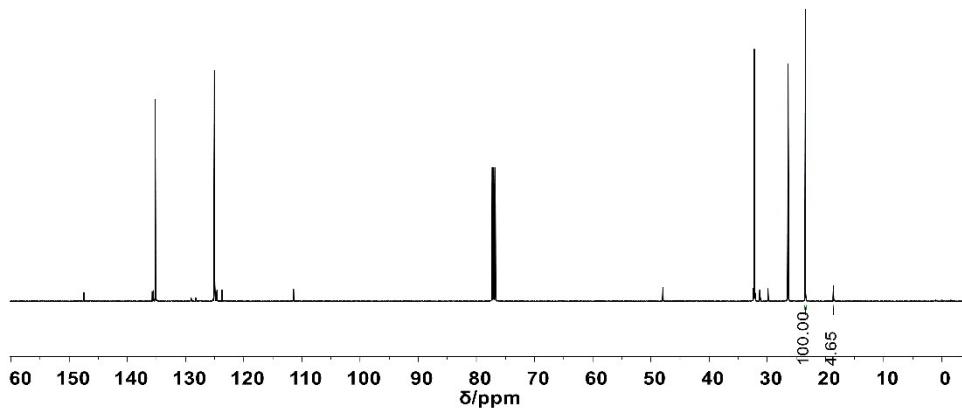
**Fig. S22.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25°C) of the resultant PIP (Table 4, run 1).



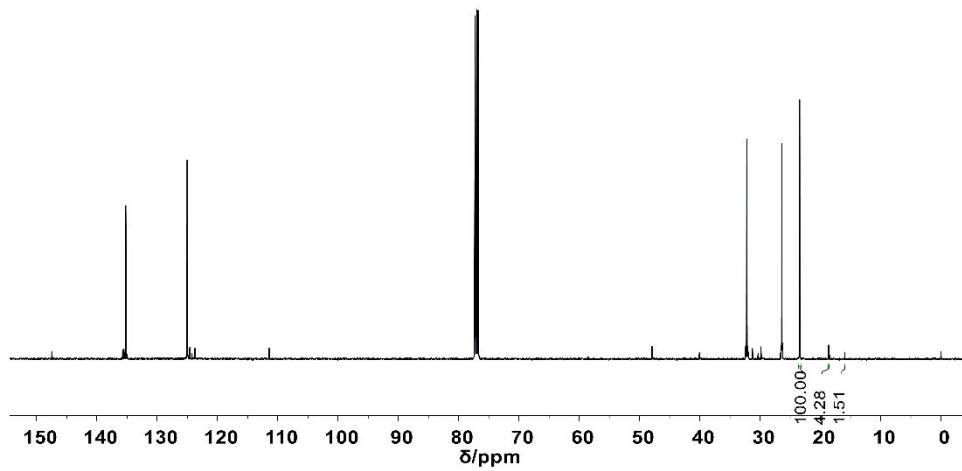
**Fig. S23.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25°C) of the resultant PIP (Table 4, run 2).



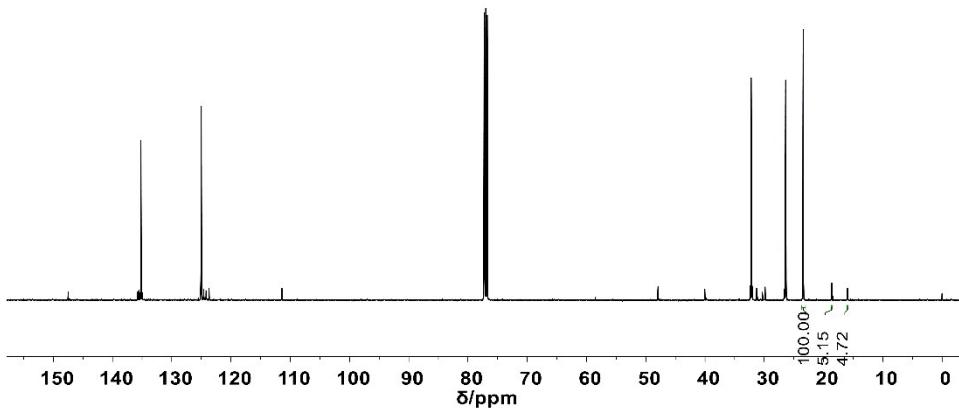
**Fig. S24.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25°C) of the resultant PIP (Table 4, run 3).



**Fig. S25** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25°C) of the resultant PIP (Table 4, run 4).



**Fig. S26.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 25°C) of the resultant PIP (Table 4, run 9).



**Fig. S27.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 25°C) of the resultant PIP (Table 4, run 10).

**Table S1** Calculated electronic excitation energies (EEE) (eV) and corresponds oscillator strengths (OS) for complex **1** in the low-lying excited states.

States	EEE/eV	$\lambda_{\text{cal}}/\text{nm}$	OS	OT
$S_1$	3.454	359	0.1066	HOMO→LUMO
$S_2$	3.780	328	0.0162	HOMO-1→LUMO
$S_3$	4.105	302	0.0177	HOMO→LUMO+1
$S_4$	4.150	299	0.0087	HOMO-2→LUMO+1
$S_5$	4.250	292	0.0000	HOMO-1→LUMO+1

**Table S2** Calculated electronic excitation energies (EEE) (eV) and corresponds oscillator strengths (OS) for complex **2** in the low-lying excited states.

States	EEE/eV	$\lambda_{\text{cal}}/\text{nm}$	OS	OT
$S_1$	3.271	379	0.1023	HOMO→LUMO
$S_2$	3.519	352	0.0163	HOMO-1→LUMO
$S_3$	3.861	321	0.0003	HOMO-2→LUMO+1
$S_4$	3.986	311	0.0039	HOMO→LUMO+1 HOMO-1→LUMO+1

S <sub>5</sub>	4.167	298	0.0013	HOMO-3→LUMO
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**Table S3** Calculated electronic excitation energies (EEE) (eV) and corresponds oscillator strengths (OS) for complex **3** in the low-lying excited states.

States	EEE/eV	$\lambda_{\text{cal}}/\text{nm}$	OS	OT
S <sub>1</sub>	3.407	364	0.1167	HOMO→LUMO
S <sub>2</sub>	3.770	329	0.0218	HOMO-1→LUMO
S <sub>3</sub>	4.056	306	0.0143	HOMO→LUMO+1
S <sub>4</sub>	4.086	303	0.0094	HOMO-2→LUMO
S <sub>5</sub>	4.441	279	0.0060	HOMO→LUMO+3

**Table S4** Calculated electronic excitation energies (EEE) (eV) and corresponds oscillator strengths (OS) for complex **4** in the low-lying excited states.

States	EEE/eV	$\lambda_{\text{cal}}/\text{nm}$	OS	OT
S <sub>1</sub>	3.385	366	0.1080	HOMO→LUMO
S <sub>2</sub>	3.736	332	0.0251	HOMO-1→LUMO
S <sub>3</sub>	4.063	305	0.0151	HOMO-2→LUMO
				HOMO→LUMO+1
S <sub>4</sub>	4.071	304	0.0163	HOMO-2→LUMO
				HOMO→LUMO+1
				HOMO→LUMO+2
S <sub>5</sub>	4.326	287	0.0144	HOMO→LUMO+1
				HOMO→LUMO+2

**Table S5** Crystallographic data and refinement details for complexes **7**.

7·THF <sub>2</sub>	
Formula	C <sub>64</sub> H <sub>85</sub> BN <sub>2</sub> O <sub>6</sub> SiY·(C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O) <sub>2</sub>
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Cryst. system	Monoclinic
Space group	P21/c
<i>a</i> (Å)	19.8165(19)
<i>b</i> (Å)	18.9374(19)
<i>c</i> (Å)	18.2758(18)
$\alpha$ (deg)	90
$\beta$ (deg)	96.434(4)
$\gamma$ (deg)	90
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