Electronic Supplementary Information

Syntheses of Biodegradable and Biorenewable Polylactides Initiated by Aluminum Complexes Bearing m-Xylylenediamine Derivatives *via* the Ring-Opening Polymerization of Lactides

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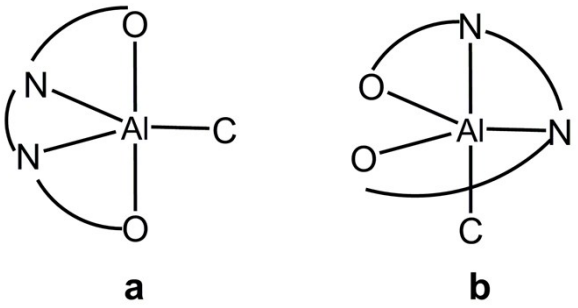

Figure S1. Possible trigonal bipyramidal coordination isomers.

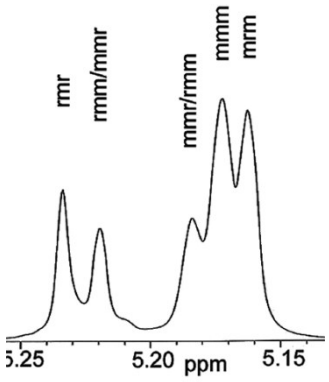

Figure S2. Homonuclear decoupled ^{1}H NMR spectrum of the methine part of poly(*rac*-LA) by complex **4** at 25 °C, Table 1, entry 11, 500 MHz, $CDCl_3$)

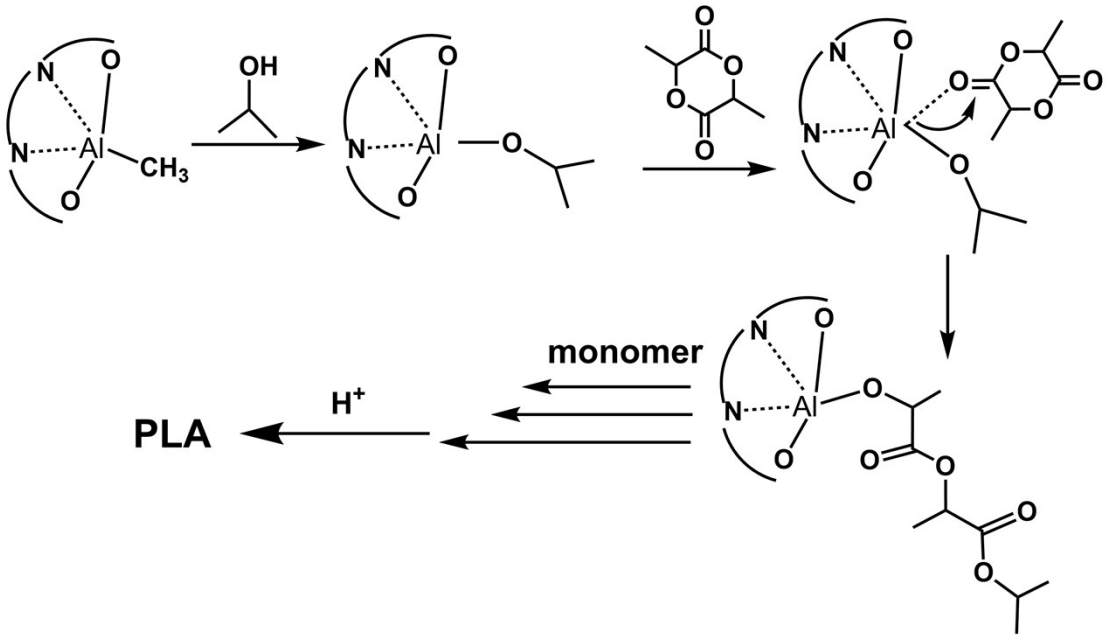

Figure S3. Proposed mechanism for the ROP of lactide initiated by aluminum complexes with isopropanol.

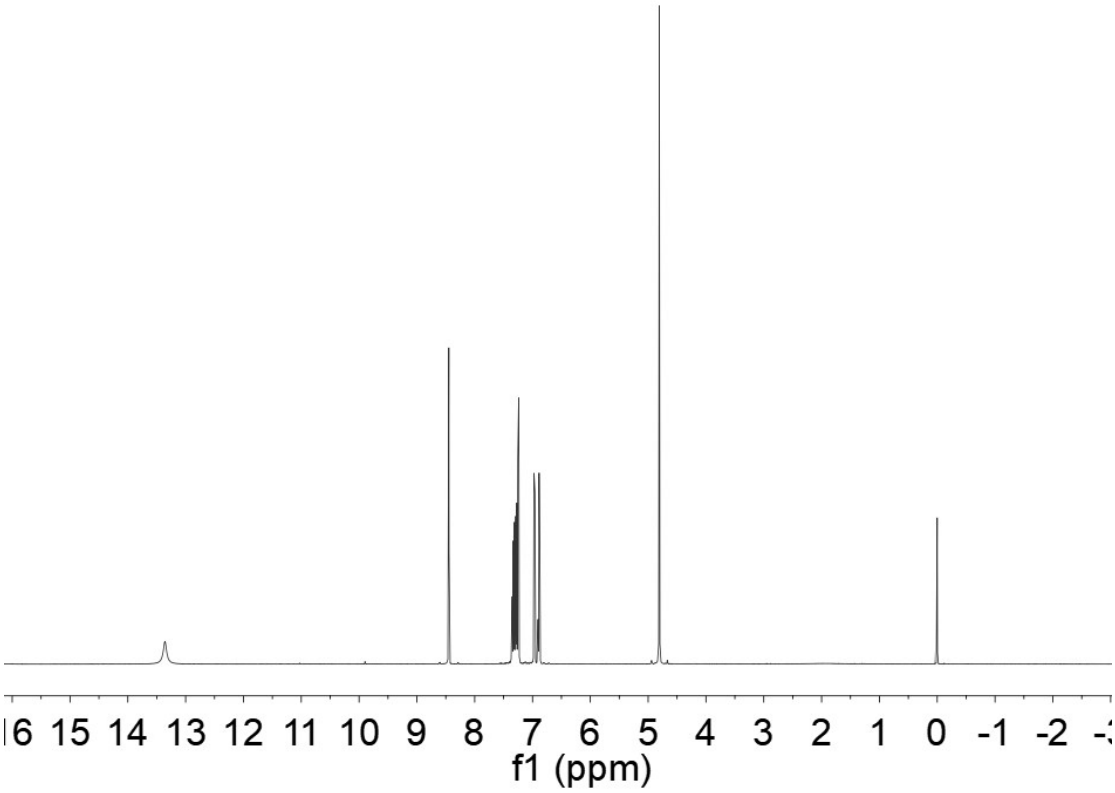

Figure S4. ^{1}H NMR spectrum of pro-ligand **a**, $CDCl_3$, at 25 °C.

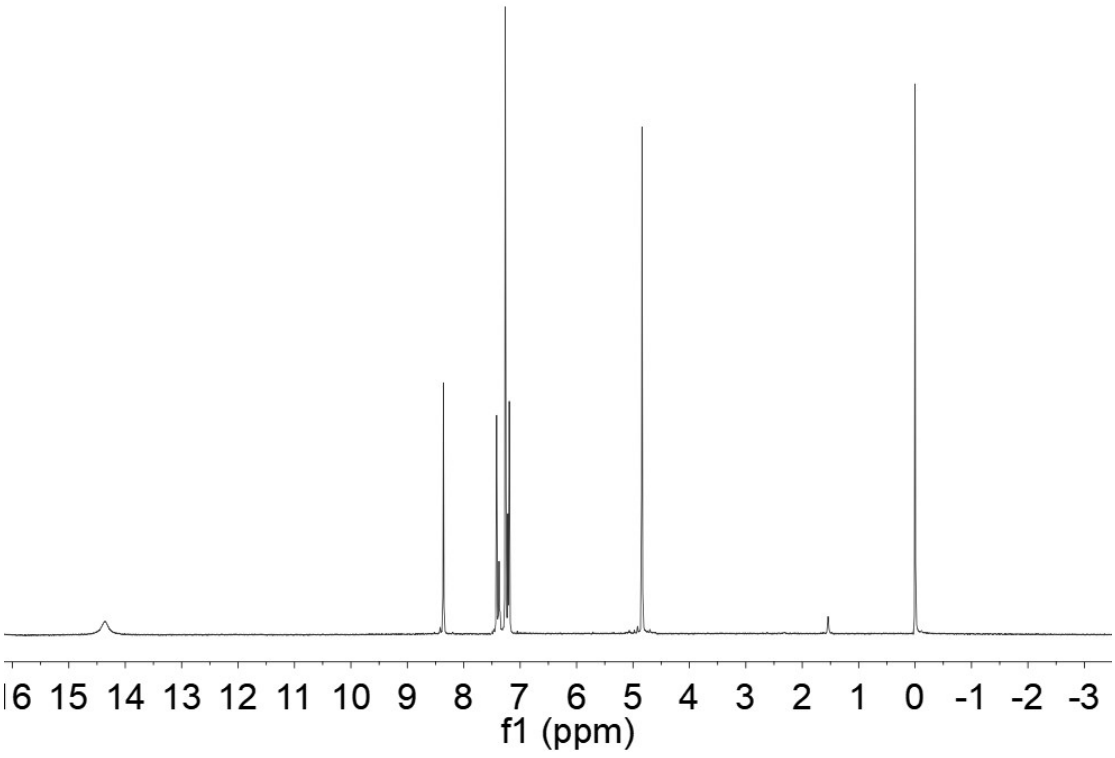

Figure S5. ^{1}H NMR spectrum of pro-ligand **c**, $CDCl_3$, at 25 °C.

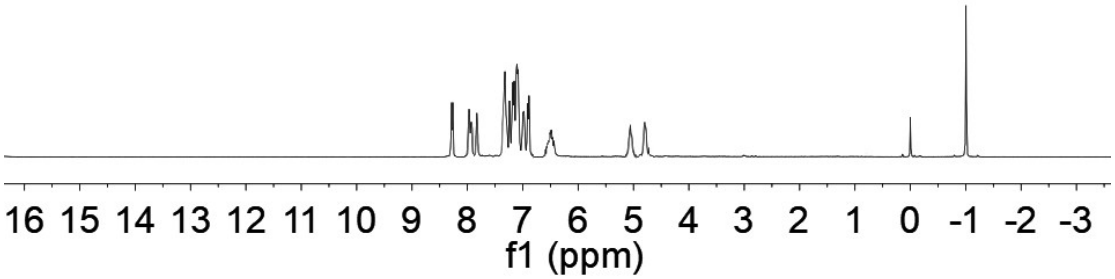

Figure S6. ^{1}H NMR spectrum of complex **1**, $CDCl_3$, at 25 °C.

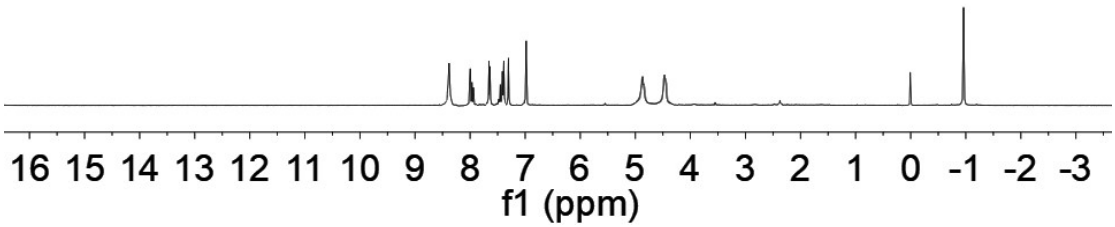

Figure S7. ^{1}H NMR spectrum of complex **3**, $CDCl_3$, at 25 °C.