

Controlled and Efficient Polymerization of Methyl Methacrylate Catalyzed by Pyridinylidenaminophosphines Based Lewis Pairs

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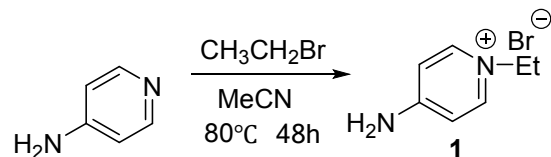
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1 Synthesis of Pyridinylidenaminophosphines (PyAPs)

Synthesis of pyridyl salt 1



2-Aminopyridine (5.00 g, 53.1 mmol, 1 eq.) and bromoethane (5.9 mL, 79.7 mmol, 1.5 eq.) were dissolved in MeCN (50 mL) and heated at 80 °C for 48 h.

The salt was precipitated out of the solution with Et₂O (100 mL), filtered off and washed with Et₂O. The colourless powder was dried in vacuo at 80 °C for 16 h.

Yield: 9.3g (86.2%)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆, 298 K): δ (ppm) = 8.48 (s, 1H), 8.12 (d, ³J_{HH} = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (dd, ³J_{HH} = 8.9, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d, ³J_{HH} = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (t, ³J_{HH} = 6.9 Hz, 0H), 4.20 (q, ³J_{HH} = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 1.30 (t, ³J_{HH} = 7.2 Hz, 2H).

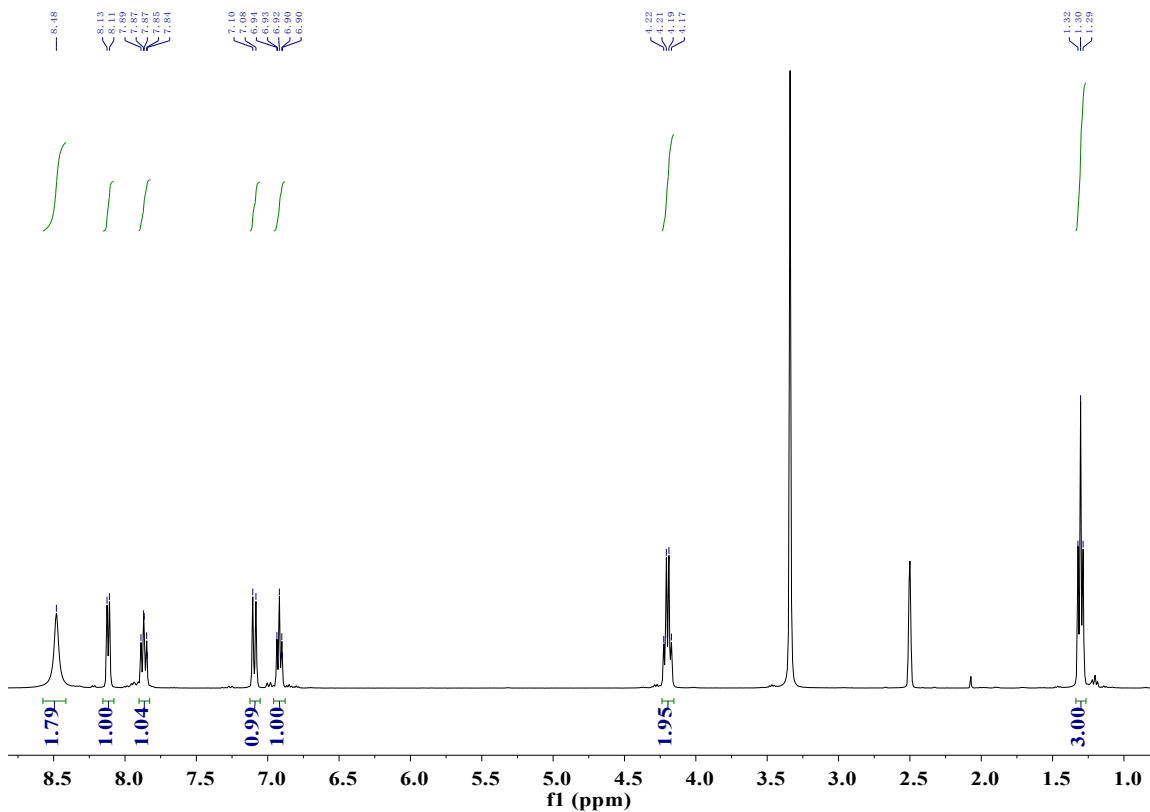
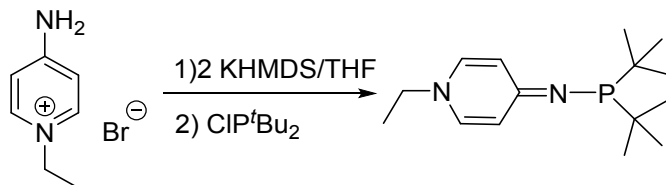


Figure S1. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆, 298 K)

Synthesis of PyAP-^tBu



Pyridinium salt (1.015 g, 5 mmol, 1 equiv.), KHMDS (10 mL, 1 M in THF, 10 mmol, 2 equiv.) and CIP^tBu₂ (0.95 mL, 5 mmol, 1 equiv.) were suspended in THF (10 mL). After overnight stirring, all volatile compounds were removed in *vacuo* and the residue was extracted with n-hexane (3×30 mL) to give the corresponding phosphine as bright yellow solid in 83% yield (1.10 g, 4.13 mmol). Suitable single crystals were obtained from PyAP-^tBu hexane solution at -30°C for 2 days.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, C₆D₆, 298 K) δ (ppm) = 6.80-6.76 (m, 1H), 5.79 (d, ³J_{HH} = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.31 (q, ³J_{HH} = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 1.42 (d, ³J_{HH} = 10.8 Hz, 9H), 0.39 (t, ³J_{HH} = 7.3 Hz, 2H). ³¹P{¹H} NMR (162 MHz, C₆D₆, 298 K) δ (ppm) = 68.9 (s).

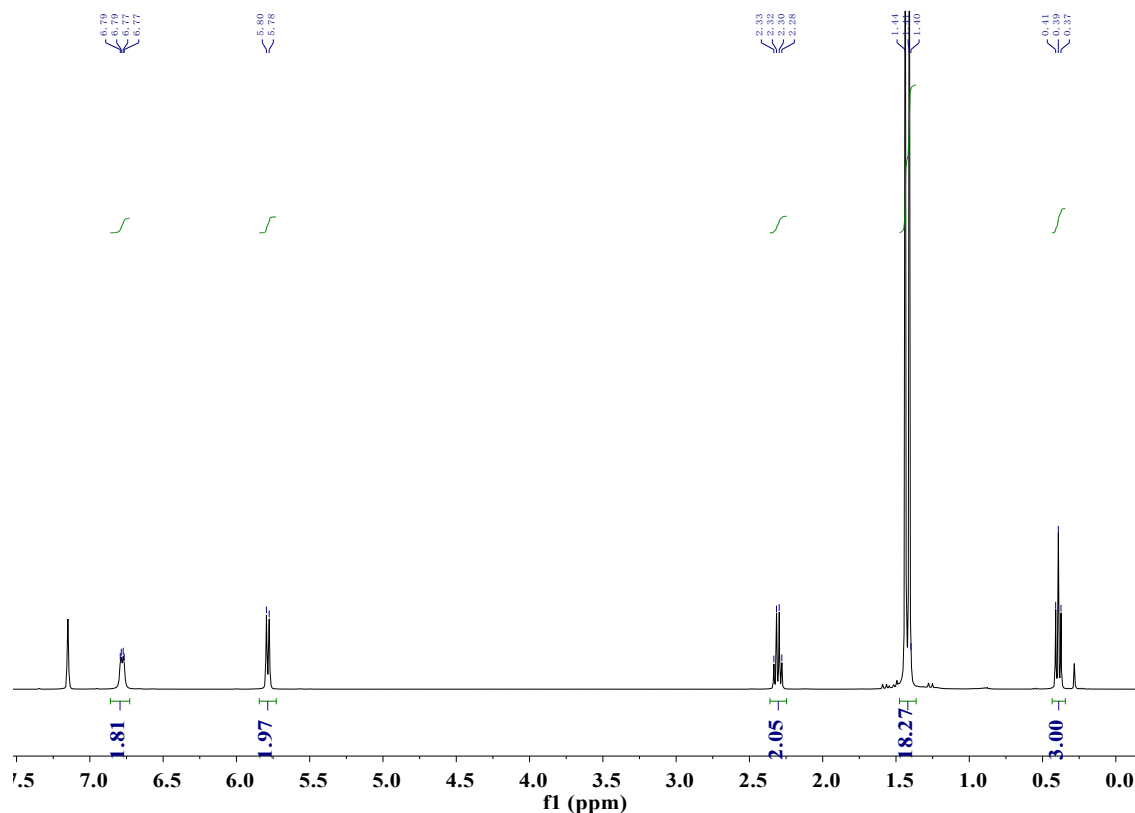


Figure S2. ^1H NMR spectrum of PyAP- t Bu (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

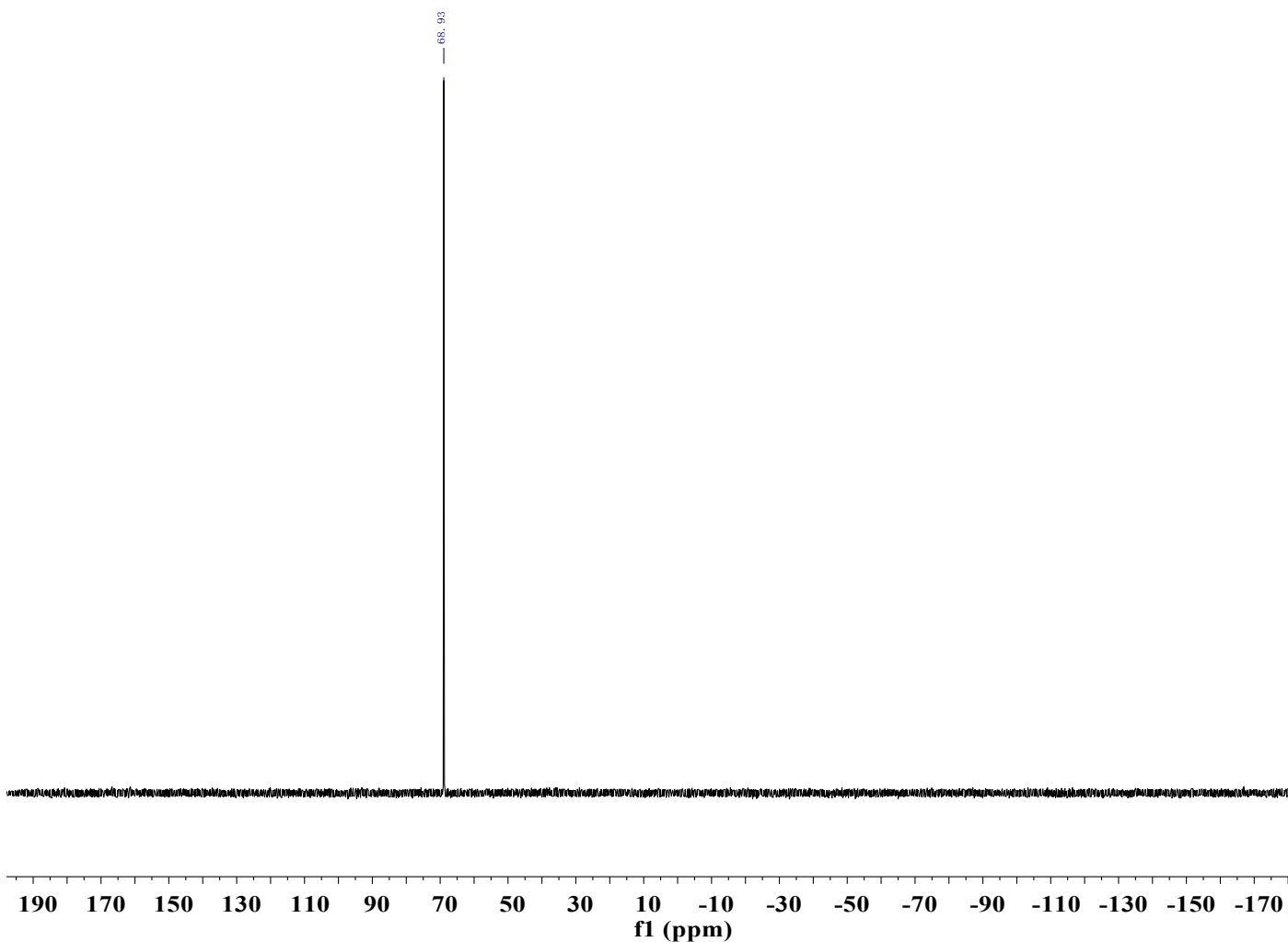
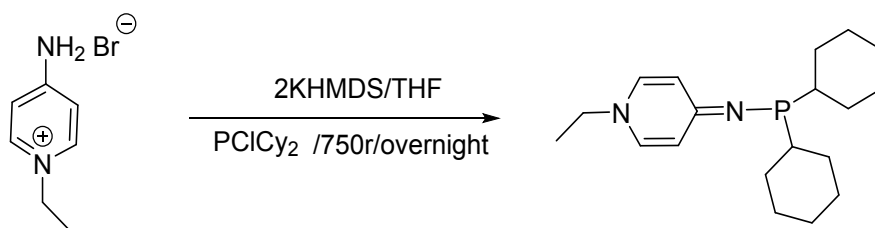


Figure S3. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of PyAP- t Bu (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

Synthesis of PyAP-Cy



PyAP-Cy was prepared and isolated as yellow solid using the same procedure as described for the preparation of $\text{P}^i\text{P}^t\text{Bu}_2$. Pyridinium salt (1.015 g, 5 mmol, 1 equiv.), KHMDs (10 mL, 1 M in THF, 10 mmol, 2 equiv.) and ClPCy_2 (1.1 mL, 5 mmol, 1 equiv.) were

suspended in THF (10 mL). After overnight stirring, all volatile compounds were removed in *vacuo* and the residue was extracted with n-hexane (3×20 mL) to give the corresponding phosphine as bright yellow solid in 64% yield (1.02 g, 3.2 mmol).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) δ (ppm) = 6.95 (s, 0H), 6.56 (s, 1H), 5.59 (d, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 2.11 (q, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 2.03 (d, $^3J_{\text{PH}} = 13.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.95-1.87 (m, 1H), 1.81 (td, $^3J_{\text{PH}} = 11.9, 3.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.68-1.57 (m, 2H), 1.50-1.35 (m, 2H), 1.14 (dpd, $J = 24.5, 12.2, 6.0$ Hz, 3H), 0.20 (t, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 1H). $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) δ (ppm) = 49.5 (s).

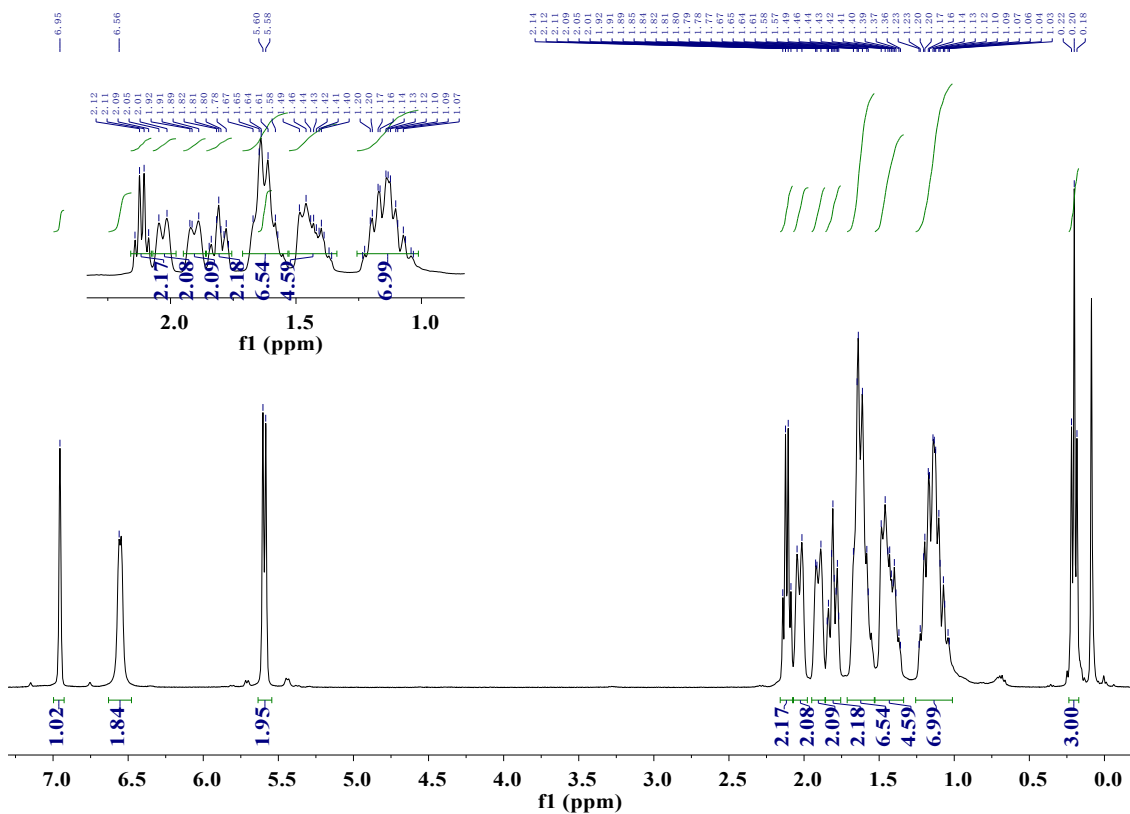


Figure S4. ^1H NMR spectrum of PyAP-Cy (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

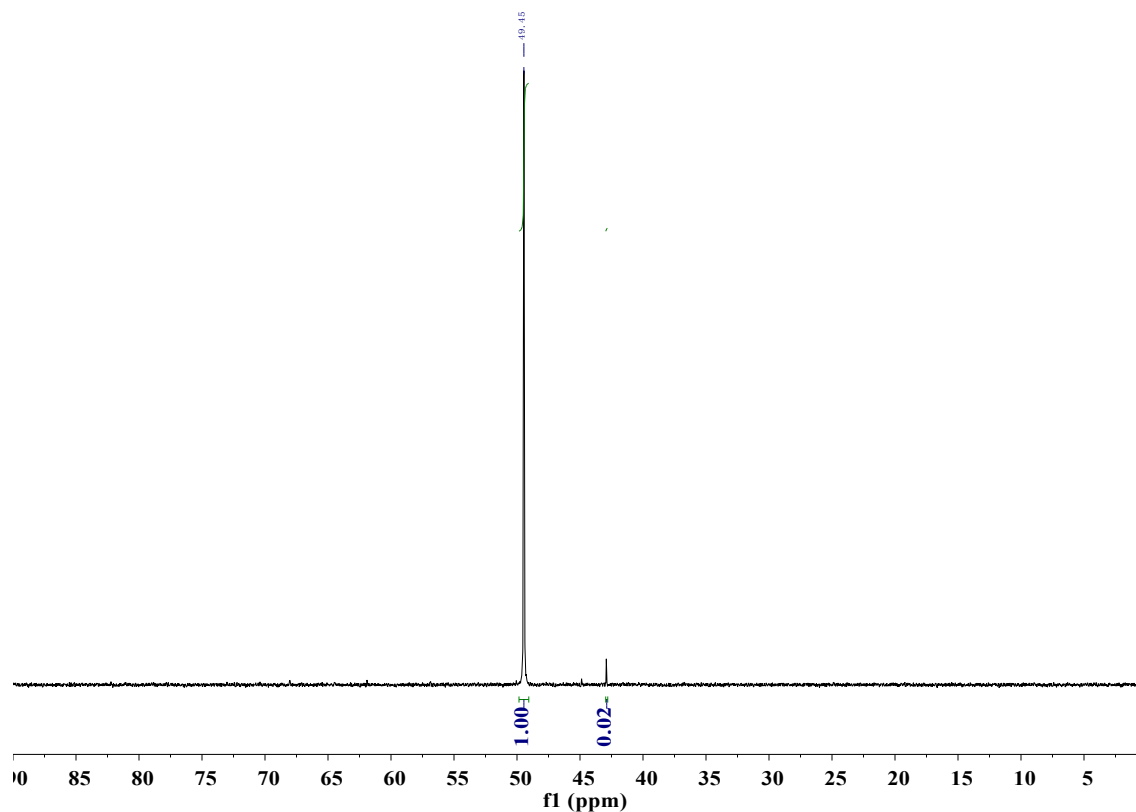
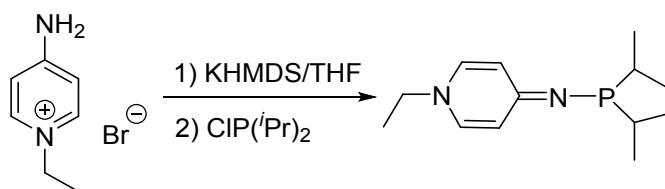


Figure S5. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of PyAP-Cy (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

Synthesis of PyAP-*i*Pr



PyAP-*i*Pr was prepared and isolated as yellow solid using the same procedure as described for the preparation of P^{*i*}Bu₂. Pyridinium salt (1.625 g, 8 mmol, 1 equiv.), KHMDS (16 mL, 1 M in THF, 16 mmol, 2 equiv.) and ClP^{*i*}Pr₂ (1.27 mL, 8 mmol, 1 equiv.) were suspended in THF (16 mL). After overnight stirring, all volatile compounds were removed *in vacuo* and the residue was extracted with n-hexane (3 × 30 mL) to give the corresponding phosphine as bright yellow solid in 81% yield (1.550 g, 6.5 mmol).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) δ (ppm) = 6.72 (d, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 6.0$ Hz, 2H, 2-H), 5.82 (d, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 2H, 3-H), 2.35 (q, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.2$ Hz, 2H, CH_2), 2.08 (hept, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.0$ Hz, 2H, $\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$), 1.30-1.40 (m, 12H, $\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$), 0.42 (t, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.2$ Hz, 3H, CH_3). $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$

NMR (162 MHz, C₆D₆, 298 K) δ (ppm) = 56.3 (s).

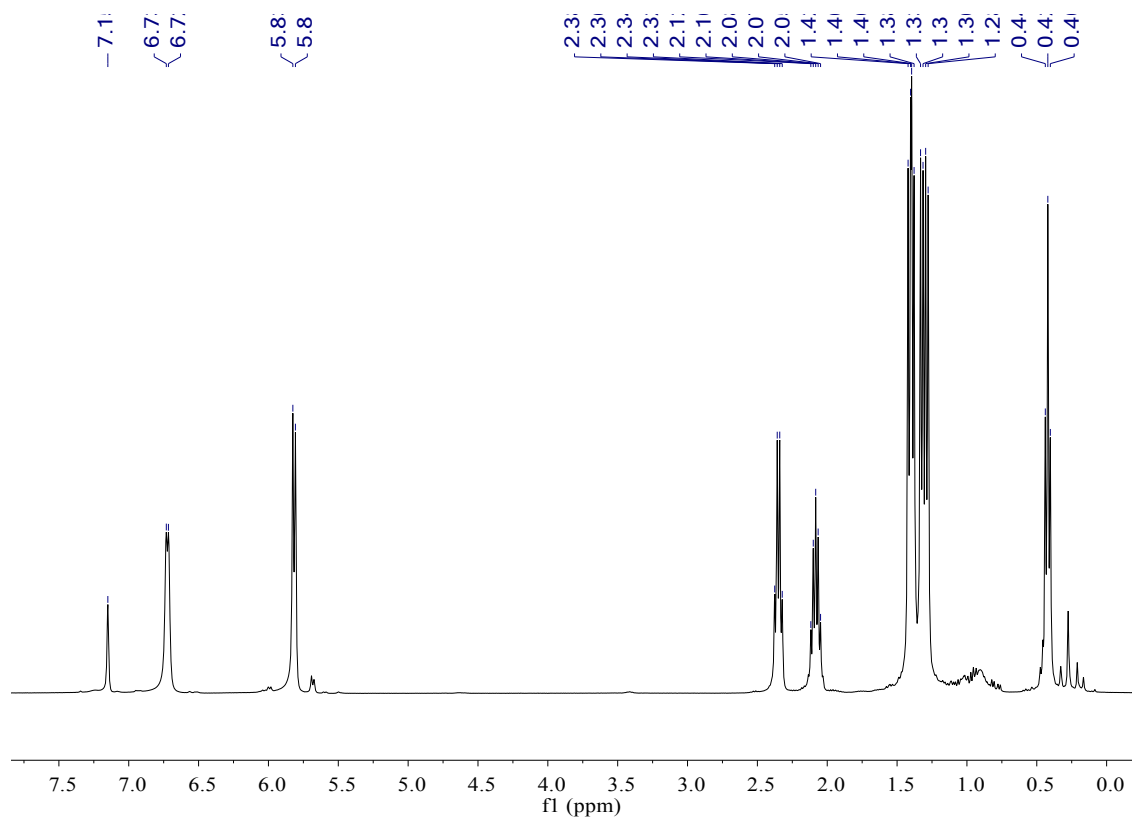


Figure S6. ¹H NMR spectrum of PyAP-*Pr* (400 MHz, C₆D₆, 298 K)

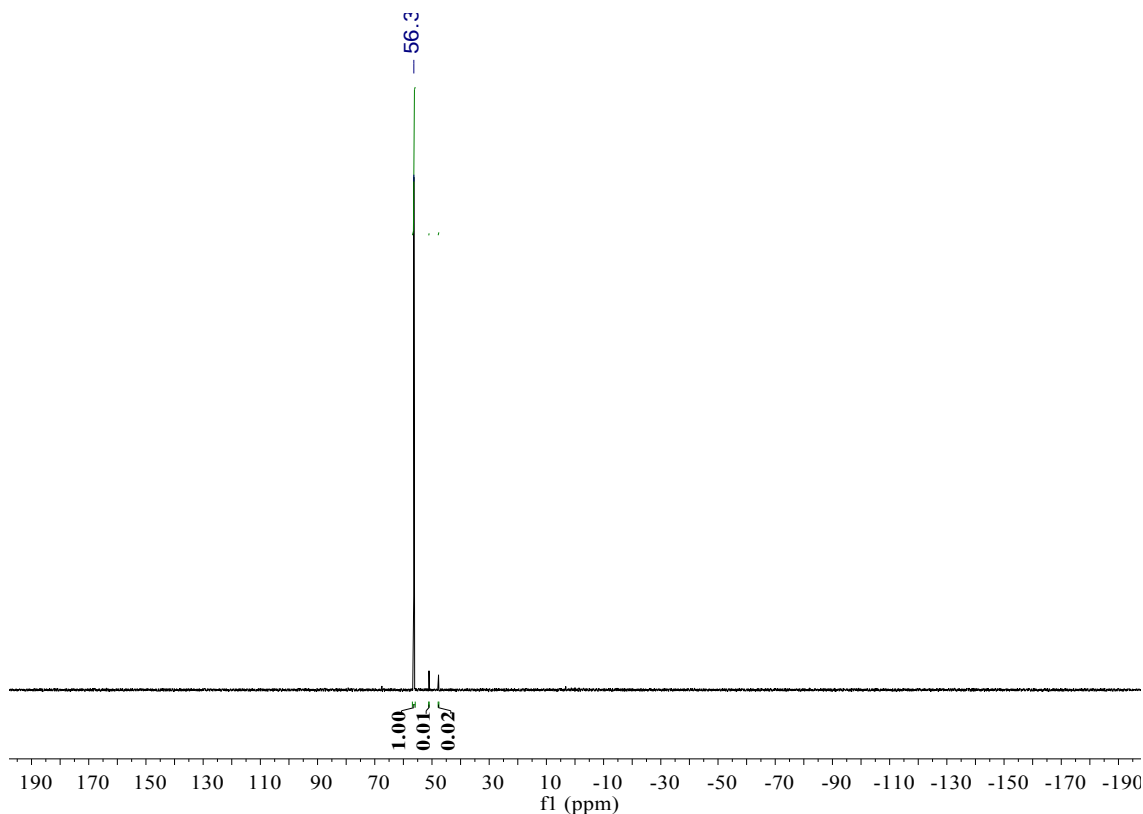
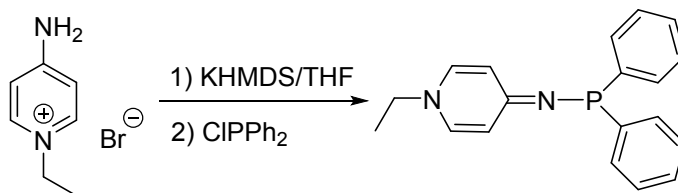


Figure S7. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of PyAP-*i*Pr (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

Synthesis of PyAP-Ph



PyAP-Ph was prepared and isolated as yellow solid using the same procedure as described for the preparation of $\text{P}^i\text{P}^i\text{Bu}_2$. Pyridinium salt (1.015 g, 5 mmol, 1 equiv.), KHMDS (10 mL, 1 M in THF, 10 mmol, 2 equiv.) and ClPPh_2 (1.44 mL, 5 mmol, 1 equiv.) were suspended in THF (10 mL). After overnight stirring, all volatile compounds were removed *in vacuo* and the residue was extracted with toluene (3×30 mL) and concentrated to 15 mL. The suspension was left in a -30°C fridge to give the corresponding phosphine as bright yellow solid in 39.2% yield (0.60 g, 1.96 mmol).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) δ (ppm) = 8.07 (t, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.2$ Hz, 4H, *o*-Ph), 7.19 (t,

$^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.4$ Hz, 4H, *m*-Ph), 7.06 (t, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 2H, *p*-Ph), 6.48 (d, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.2$ Hz, 2H, 2-H), 5.75 (d, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.1$ Hz, 2H, 3-H), 2.27 (q, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 2H, CH₂), 0.34 (t, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.2$ Hz, 3H, CH₃).

$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (100 MHz, C₆D₆, 298 K) δ (ppm) = 163.70 (d, $^2J_{\text{PC}} = 16.0$ Hz, C=N), 145.37 (d, $^2J_{\text{PC}} = 14.0$ Hz, *o*-Ph_C), 135.32 (d, $^1J_{\text{PC}} = 3.0$ Hz, *i*-Ph_C), 131.98 (d, $^3J_{\text{PC}} = 19.9$ Hz, *m*-Ph_C), 129.3 (s, *p*-Ph_C), 116.7 (m, 3-C), 100.4 (s, 2-C), 49.8 (s, CH₂), 15.3 (s, CH₃).

$^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (162 MHz, C₆D₆, 298 K) δ (ppm) = 31.5 (s).

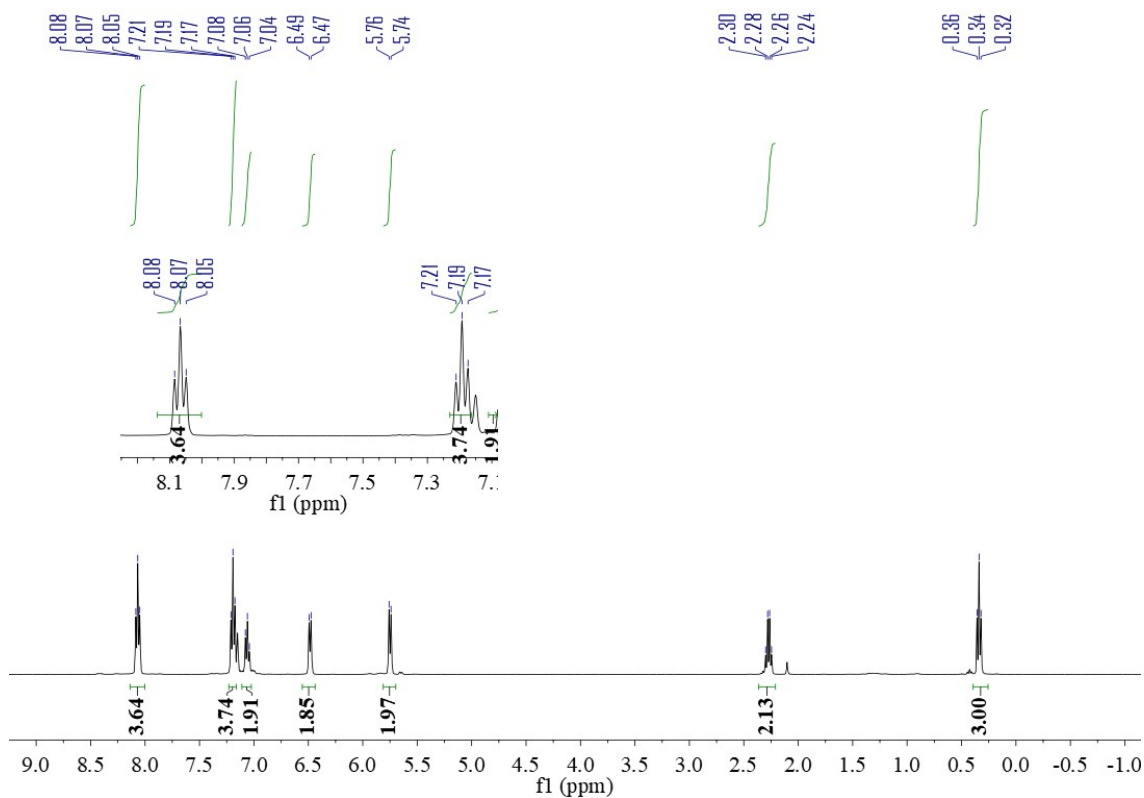


Figure S8. ^1H NMR spectrum of PyAP-Ph (400 MHz, C₆D₆, 298 K)

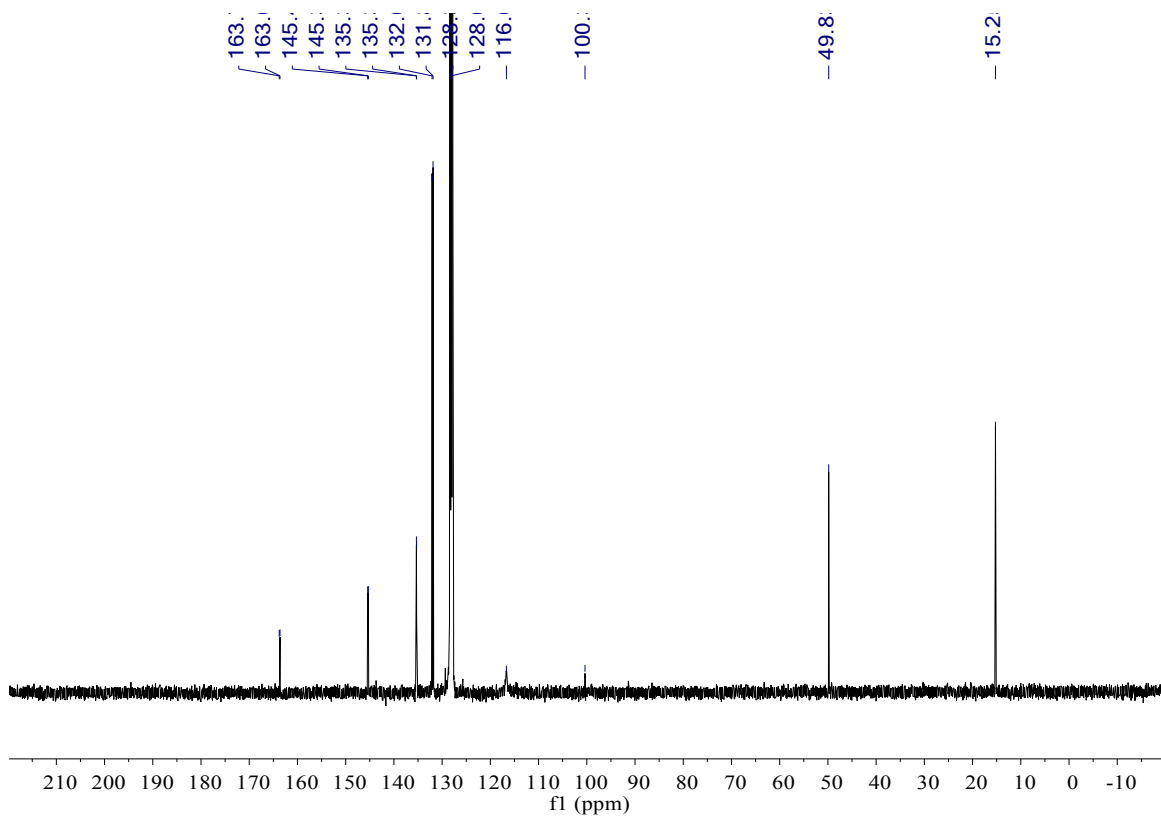


Figure S9. $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of PyAP-Ph (100 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

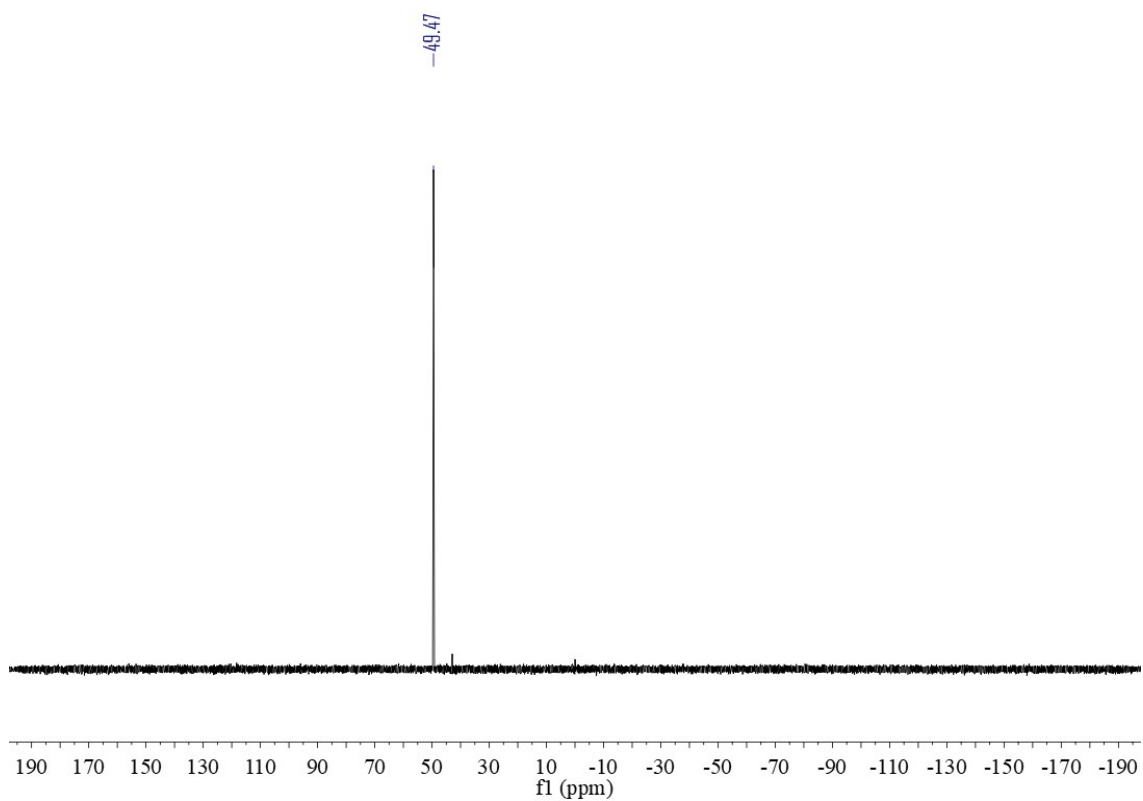


Figure S10. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of PyAP-Ph (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

2 Stoichiometric NMR Reactions

2.1 Stoichiometric NMR Reaction of PyAP-*t*Bu with $\text{Al}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_3$ in a 1:1 molar ratio

A NMR tube was charged with PyAP-*t*Bu (6.7 mg, 0.025 mmol) and 0.3 mL of C_6D_6 . A solution of $\text{Al}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_3$ (14.4 mg, 0.025 mmol), 0.3 mL C_6D_6 was added to this tube via pipette at ambient temperature, and the mixture was allowed to react for 5 min before analyzed by NMR spectroscopy.

Associated species : dissociated species molar ratio = 10:1, which was assigned by $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectroscopy.

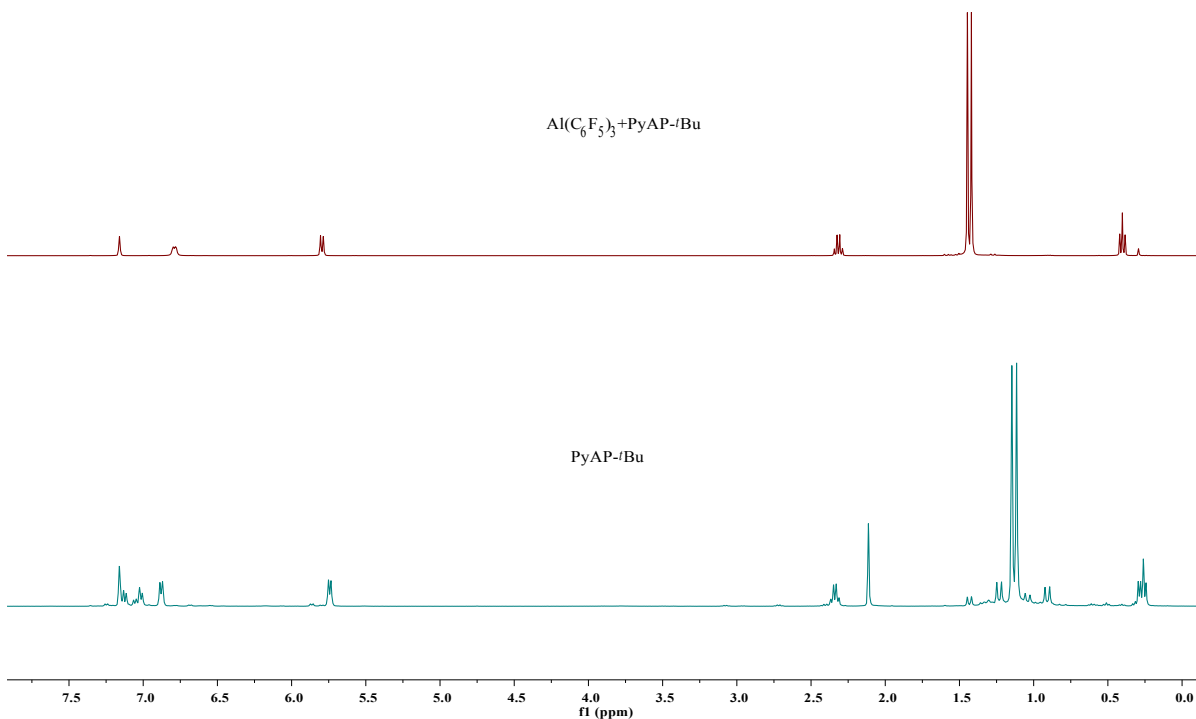
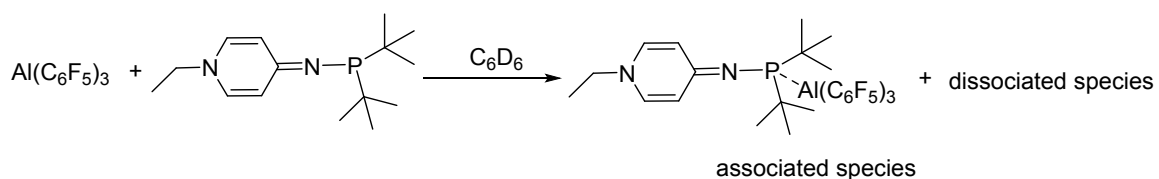


Figure S11. ^1H NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-*t*Bu with $\text{Al}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_3$ (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

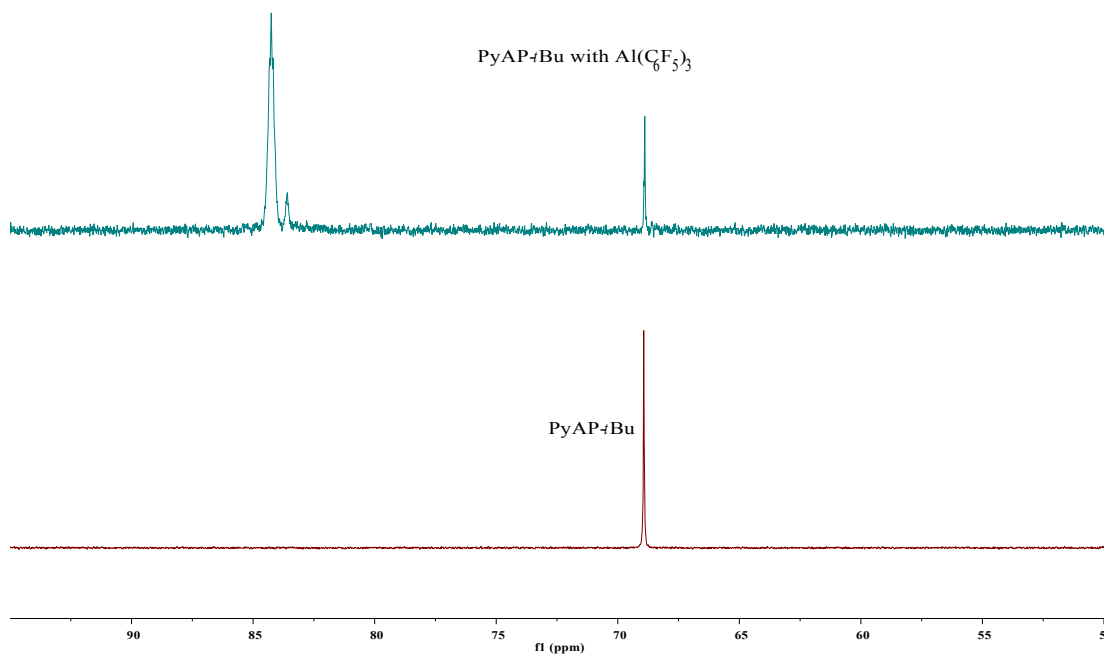


Figure S12. ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-tBu with Al(C₆F₅)₃ (162 MHz, C₆D₆, 298 K)

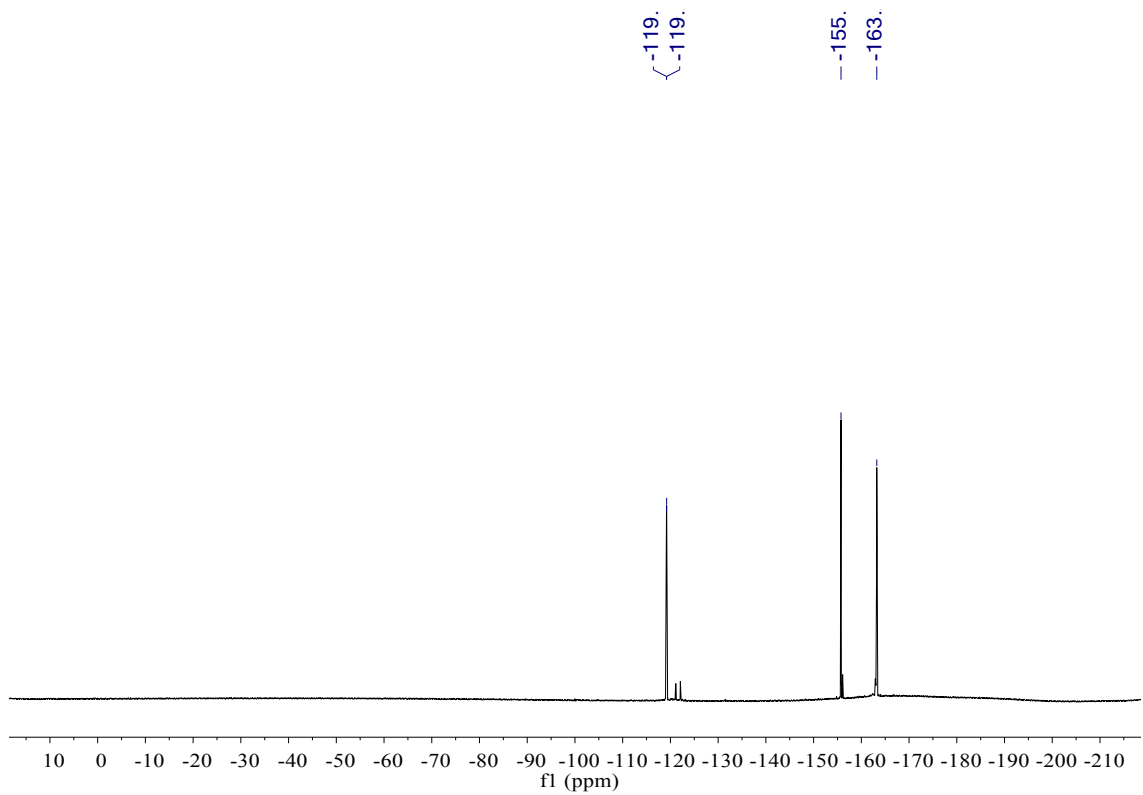
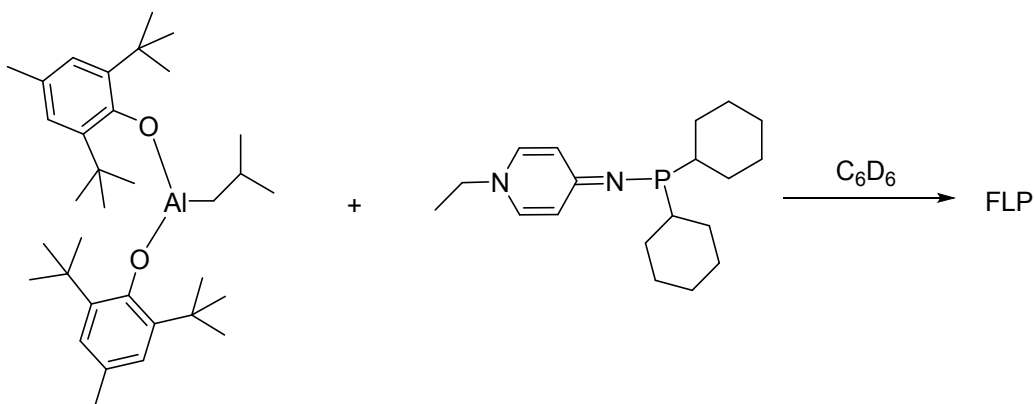


Figure S13. ^{19}F $\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-*t*Bu with $\text{Al}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_3$ (376 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

2.2 Stoichiometric NMR Reaction of PyAP-Cy with $^i\text{BuAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ in a 1:1 molar ratio

A NMR tube was charged with PyAP-Cy (7.6 mg, 0.024 mmol) and 0.3 mL of C_6D_6 . A solution of $^i\text{BuAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (12.5 mg, 0.024 mmol), 0.3 mL C_6D_6 was added to this tube via pipette at ambient temperature, and the mixture was allowed to react for 5 min before analyzed by NMR spectroscopy.

Formation of FLP was indicated by $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectroscopy.



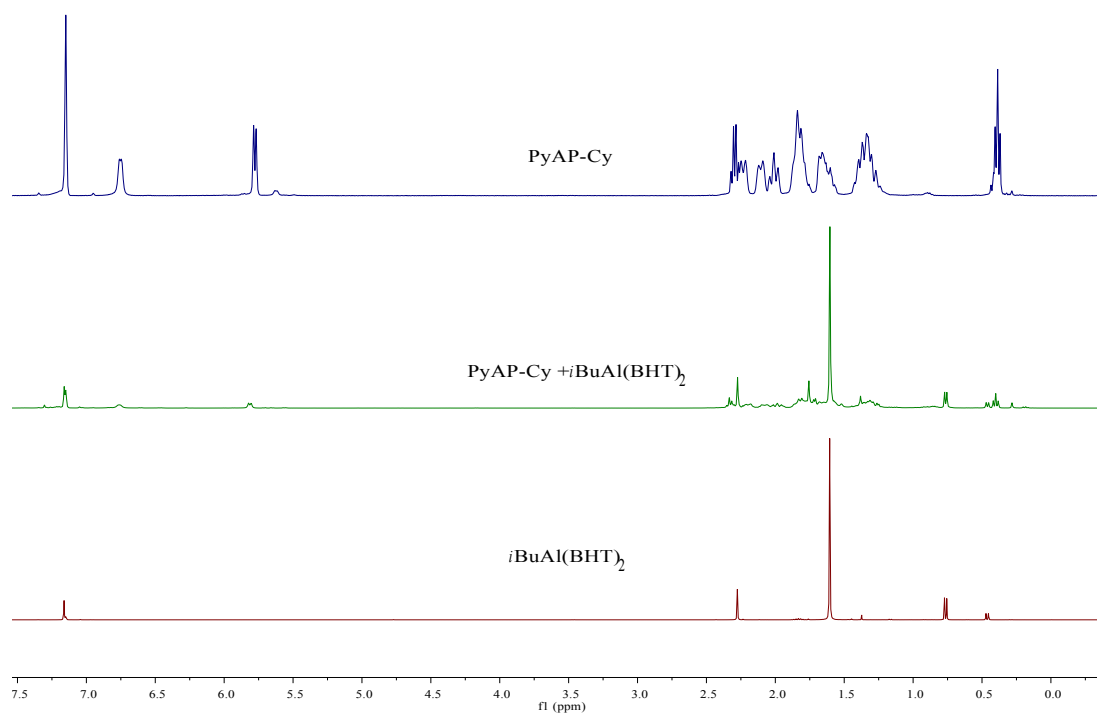


Figure S14. ^1H NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-Cy with $i\text{BuAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

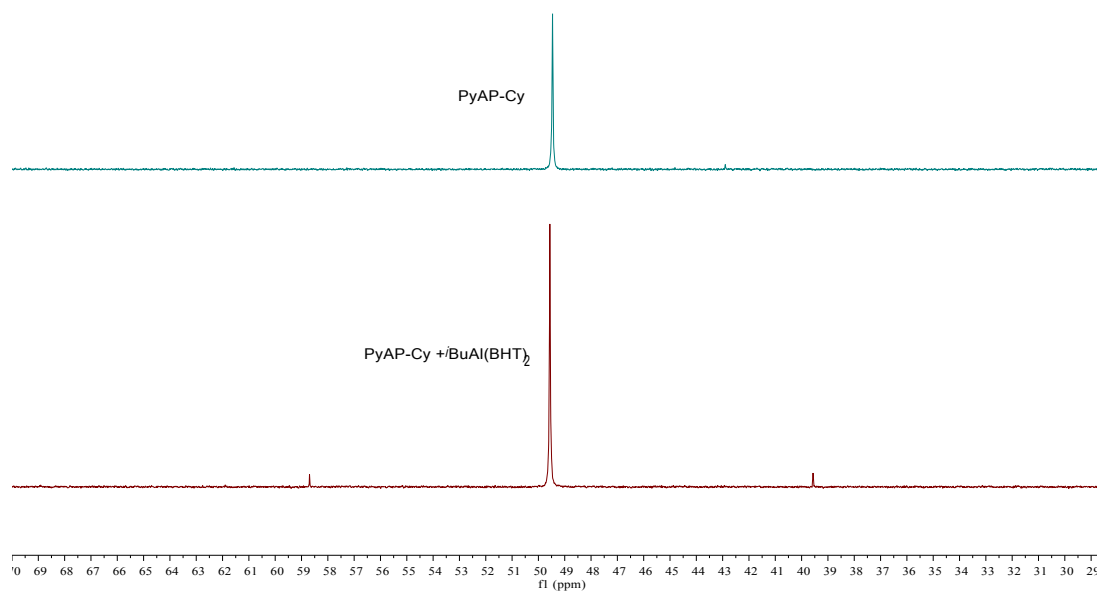


Figure S15. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-Cy with $i\text{BuAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (162

MHz, C₆D₆, 298 K)

2.3 Stoichiometric NMR Reaction of PyAP-*t*Bu with *i*BuAl(BHT)₂ in a 1:1 molar ratio

A NMR tube was charged with PyAP-*t*Bu (6.4 mg, 0.024 mmol) and 0.3 mL of C₆D₆. A solution of *i*BuAl(BHT)₂ (12.5 mg, 0.024 mmol), 0.3 mL C₆D₆ was added to this tube via pipette at ambient temperature, and the mixture was allowed to react for 5 min before analyzed by NMR spectroscopy. **PyAP-*t*Bu.**

Formation of FLP was indicated by ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectroscopy.

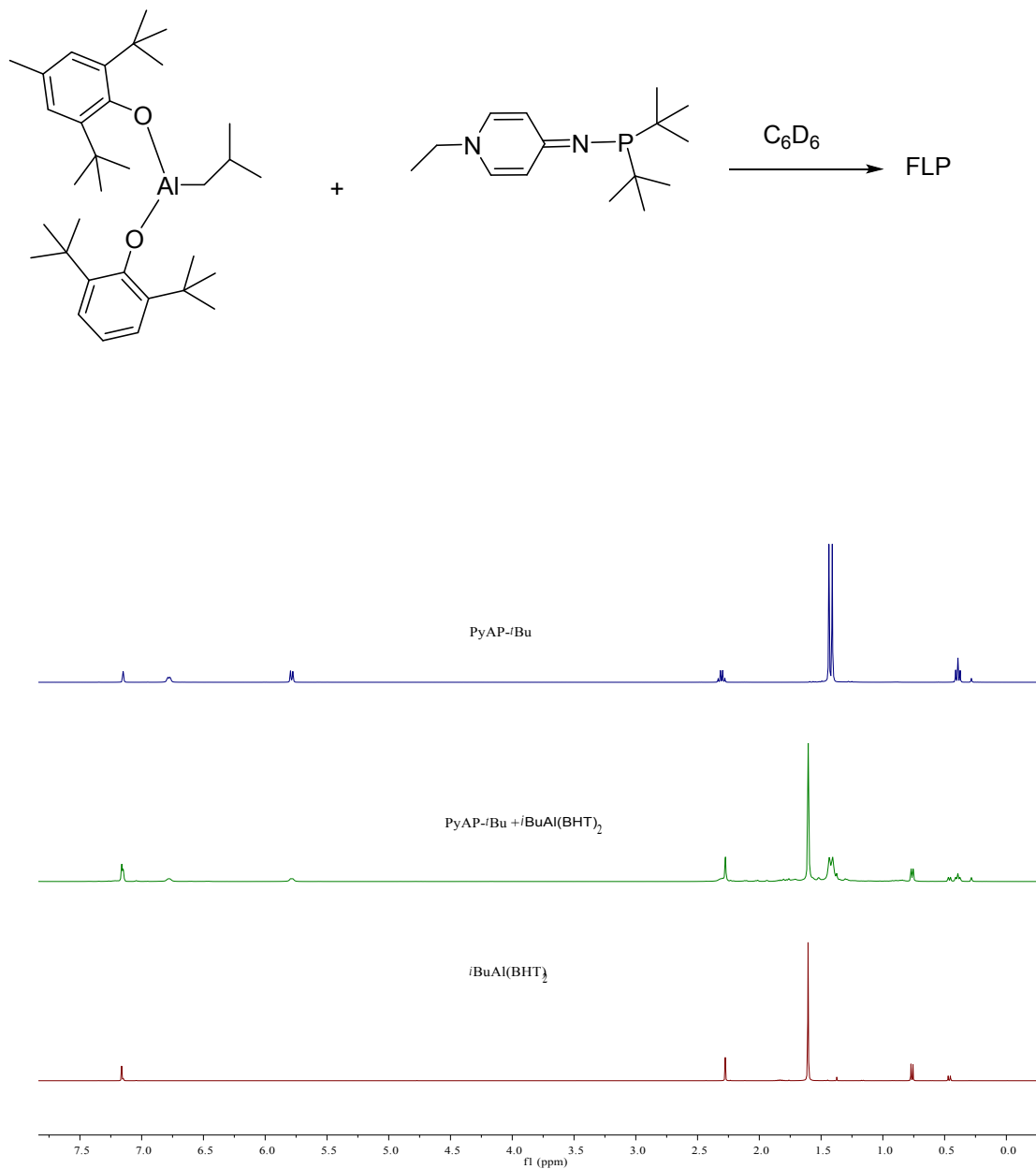


Figure S16. ^1H NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP- ^iBu with $^i\text{BuAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

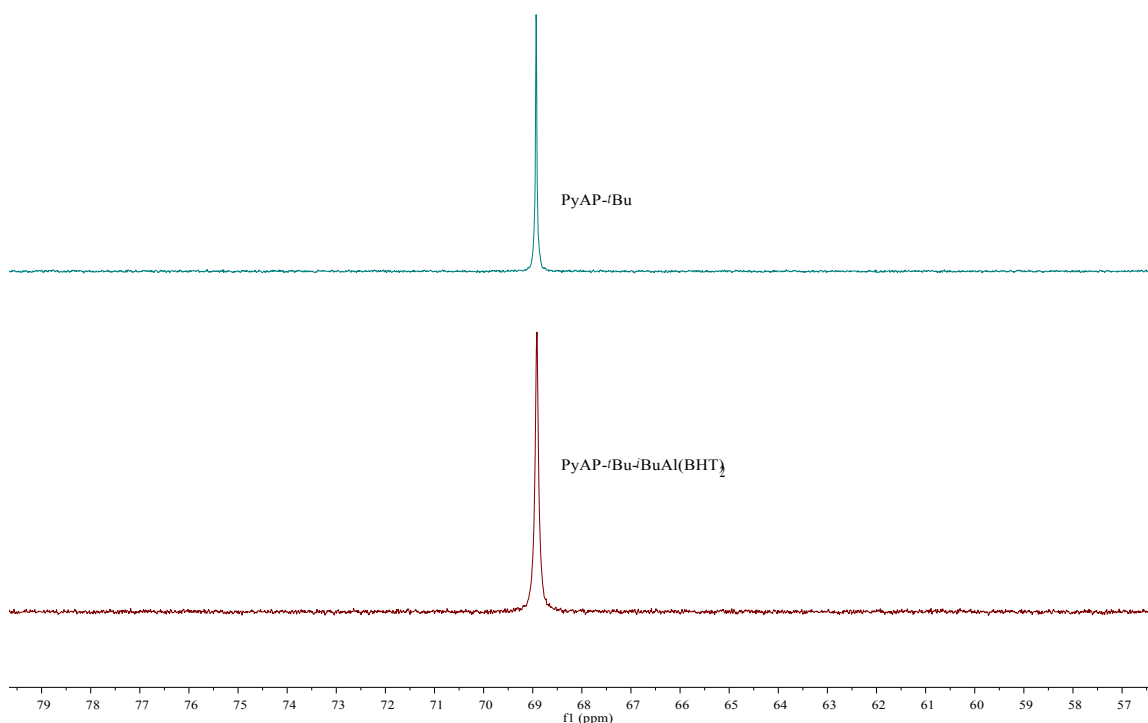


Figure S17. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP- ^iBu with $^i\text{BuAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

2.4 Stoichiometric NMR Reaction of PyAP- ^iPr with $^i\text{BuAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ in a 1:1 molar ratio

A NMR tube was charged with PyAP- ^iPr (7.1 mg, 0.03 mmol) and 0.3 mL of C_6D_6 . A solution of $^i\text{BuAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (15.7 mg, 0.03 mmol), 0.3 mL C_6D_6 was added to this tube via pipette at ambient temperature, and the mixture was allowed to react for 5 min before analyzed by NMR spectroscopy.

Formation of FLP was indicated by $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectroscopy.

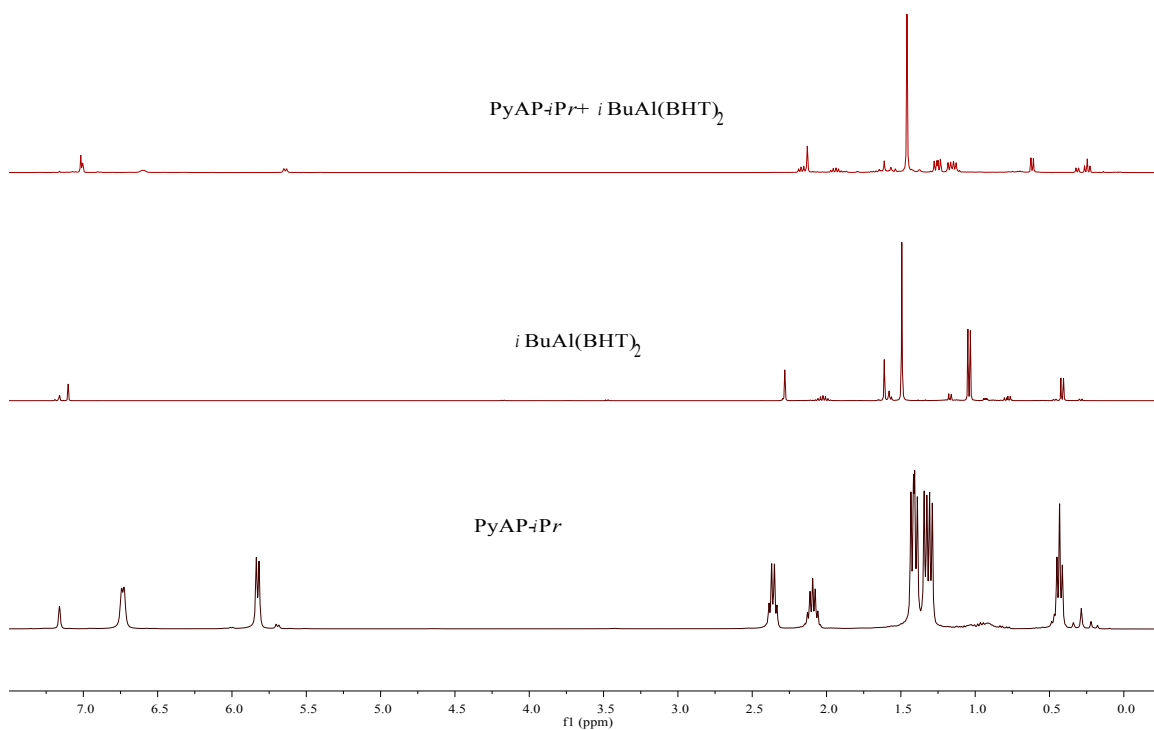
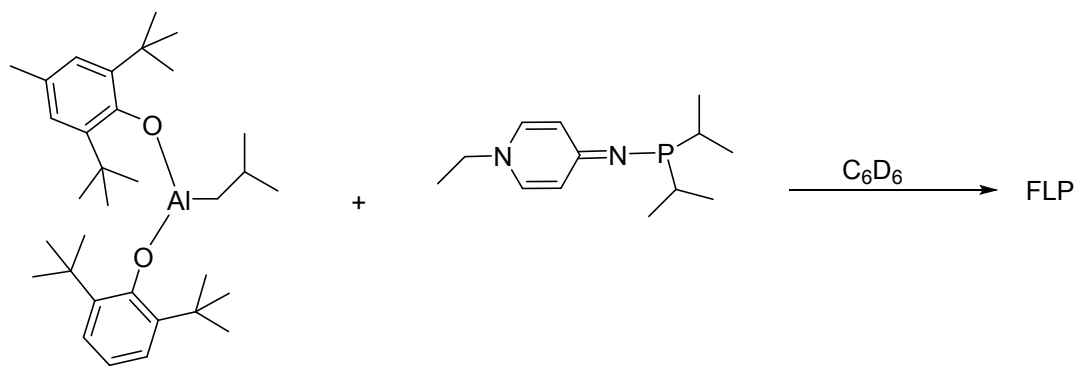


Figure S18. ^1H NMR spectrum for reaction of $\text{PyAP-}i\text{Pr}$ with $i\text{BuAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

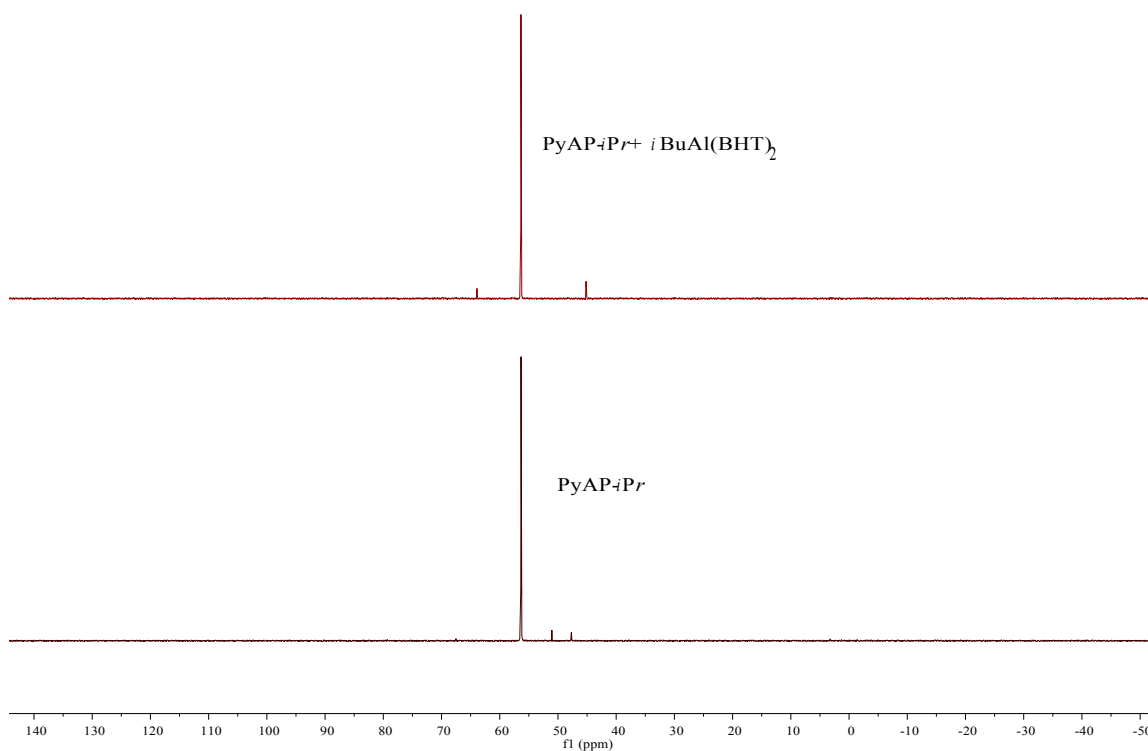


Figure S19. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-*iPr* with *i*BuAl(BHT)₂ (162 MHz, C₆D₆, 298 K)

2.5 Stoichiometric NMR Reaction of PyAP-Ph with *i*BuAl(BHT)₂ in a 1:1 molar ratio

A NMR tube was charged with PyAP-Ph (9.2 mg, 0.03 mmol) and 0.3 mL of C₆D₆. A solution of *i*BuAl(BHT)₂ (15.7 mg, 0.03 mmol), 0.3 mL C₆D₆ was added to this tube via pipette at ambient temperature, and the mixture was allowed to react for 5 min before analyzed by NMR spectroscopy.

Free dissociated species and unidentified species mixture formed, which were indicated by $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectroscopy.

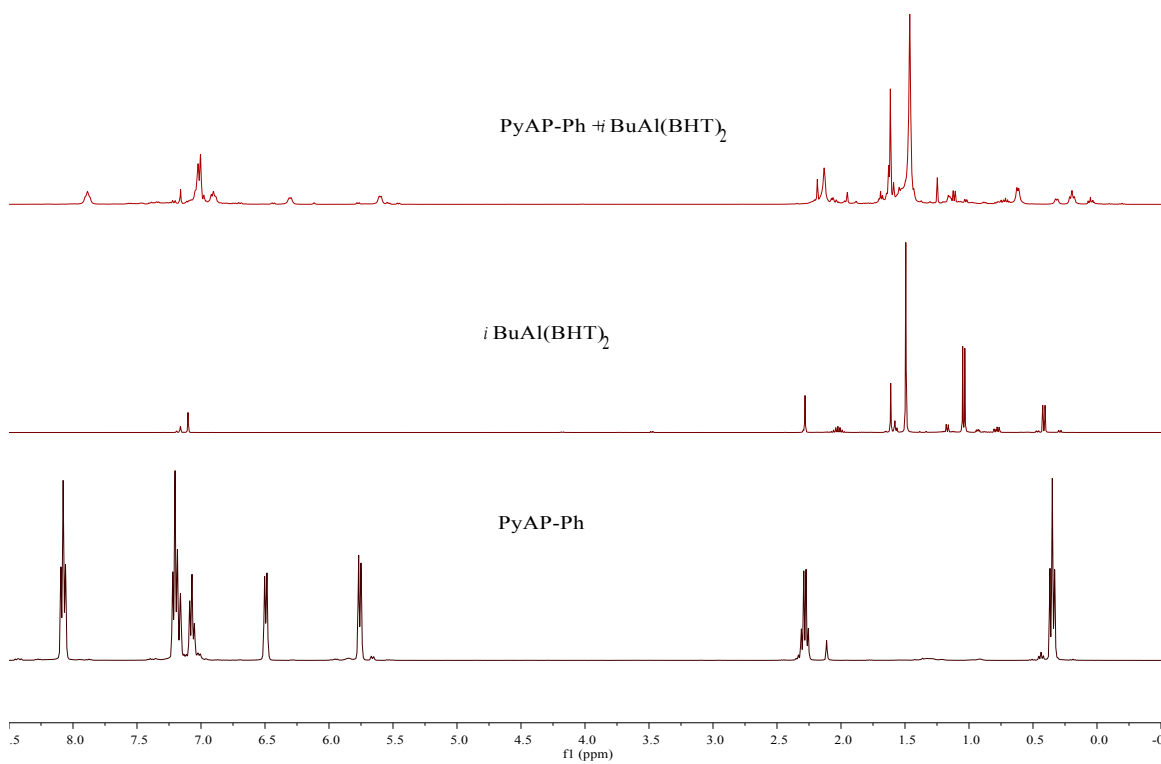
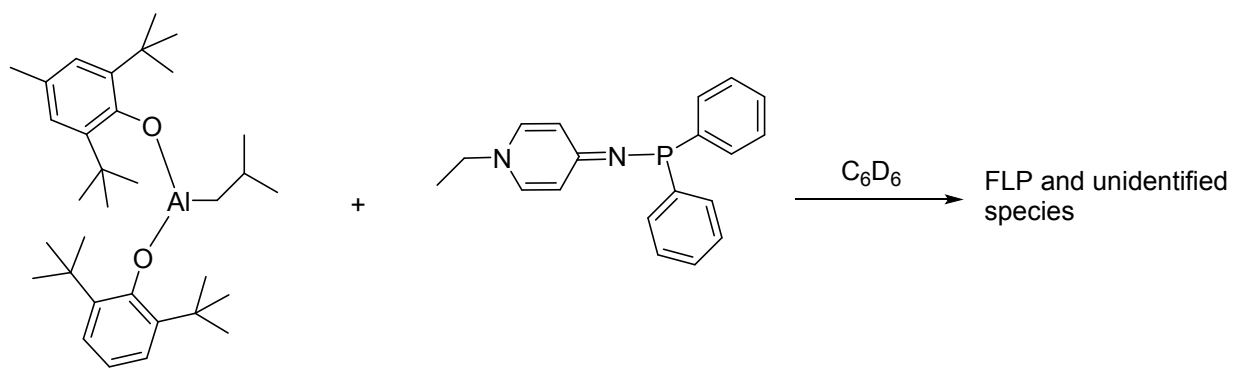


Figure S20. ¹H NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-Ph with *i*BuAl(BHT)₂ (400 MHz, C₆D₆, 298 K)

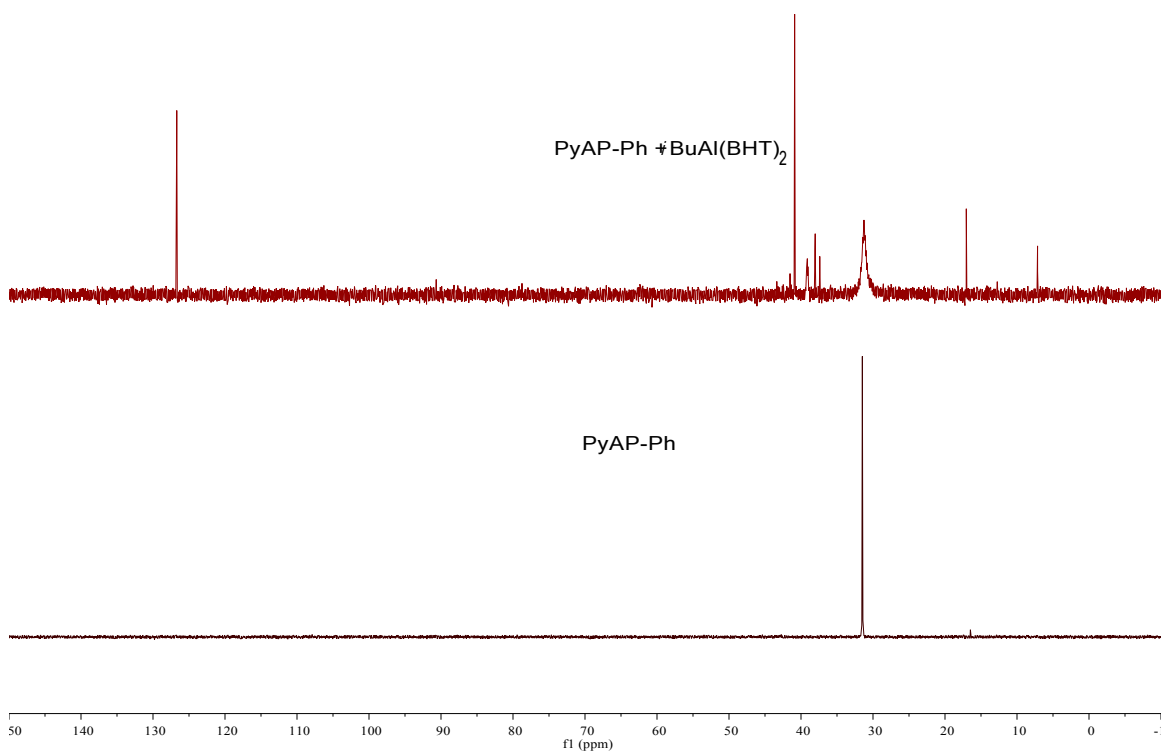
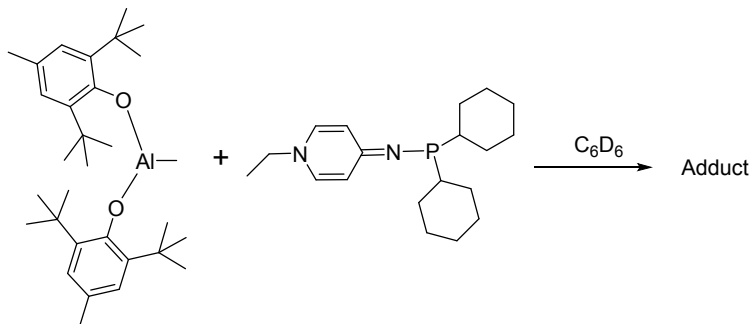


Figure S21. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-Ph with $t\text{BuAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

2.6 Stoichiometric NMR Reaction of PyAP-Cy with $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ in a 1:1 molar ratio



A NMR tube was charged with PyAP-Cy (9.6 mg, 0.03 mmol) and 0.3 mL of C_6D_6 . A solution of $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (14 mg, 0.03 mmol), 0.3 mL C_6D_6 was added to this tube via pipette at ambient temperature, and the mixture was allowed to react for 5 min before analyzed by NMR spectroscopy.

Associated species and dissociated species were formed, which were indicated by $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectroscopy. The molar ratio of associated species to FLP is 2.5/1.

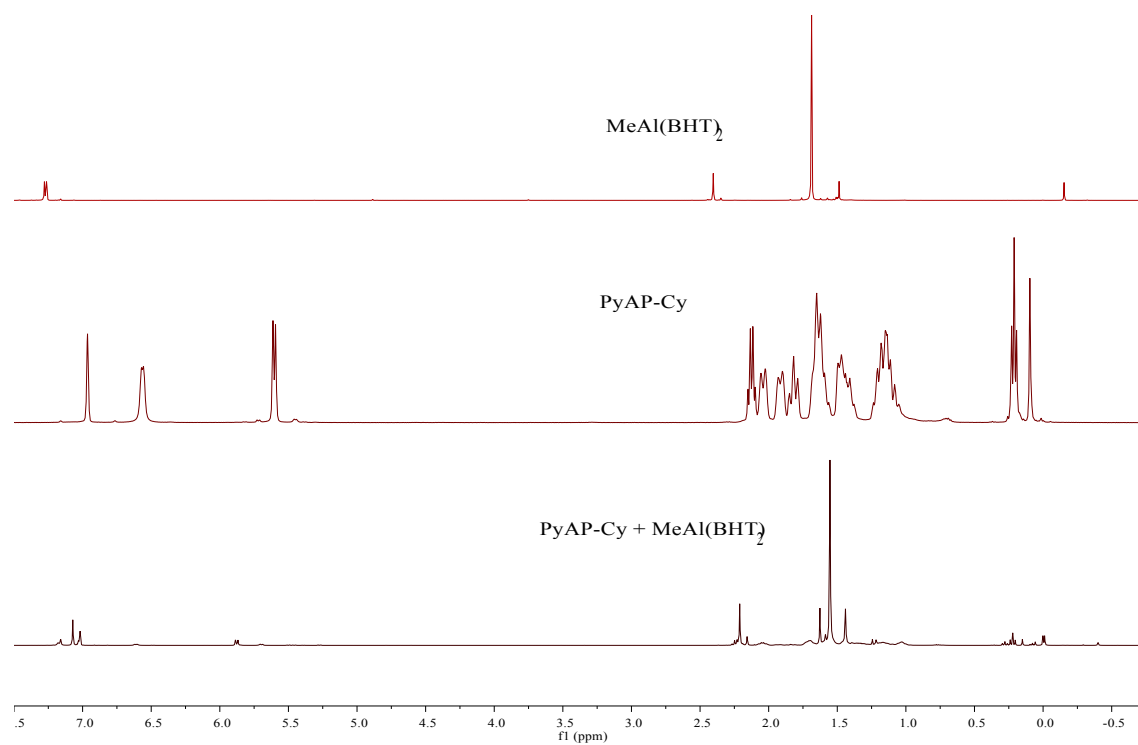


Figure S22. ^1H NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-Cy with MeAl(BHT)_2 (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

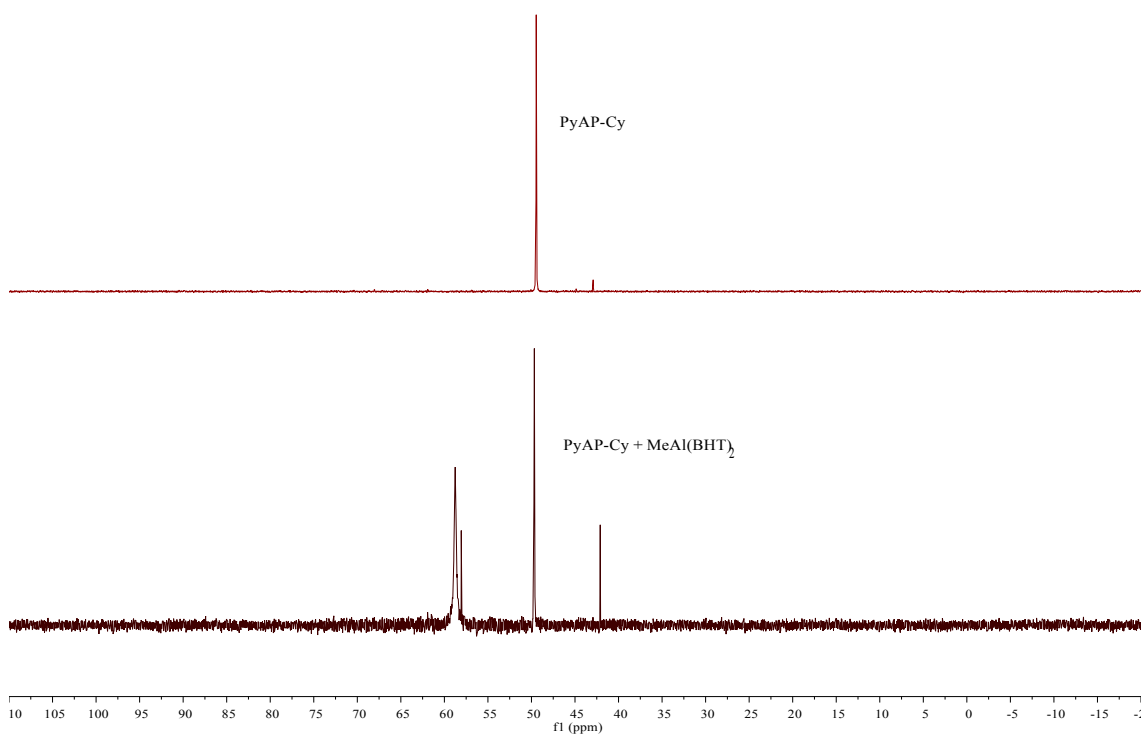
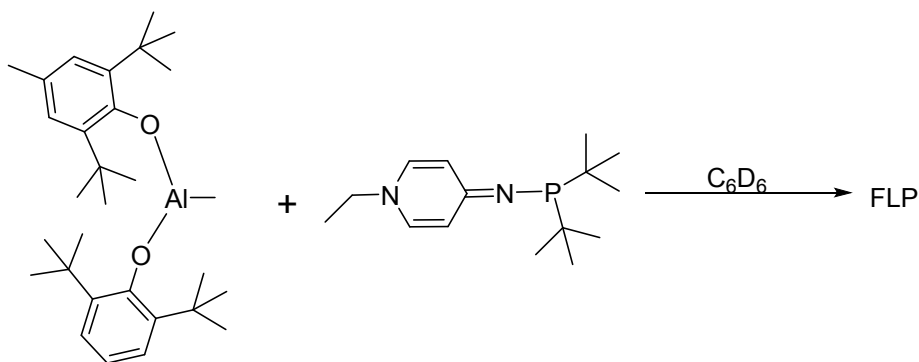


Figure S23. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-Cy with $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

2.7 Stoichiometric NMR Reaction of PyAP-*t*Bu with $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ in a 1:1 molar ratio



A NMR tube was charged with PyAP-*t*Bu (8 mg, 0.03 mmol) and 0.3 mL of C_6D_6 . A solution of $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (14 mg, 0.03 mmol), 0.3 mL C_6D_6 was added to this tube via pipette at ambient temperature, and the mixture was allowed to react for 5 min before analyzed by NMR spectroscopy.

Formation of FLP was indicated by $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectroscopy.

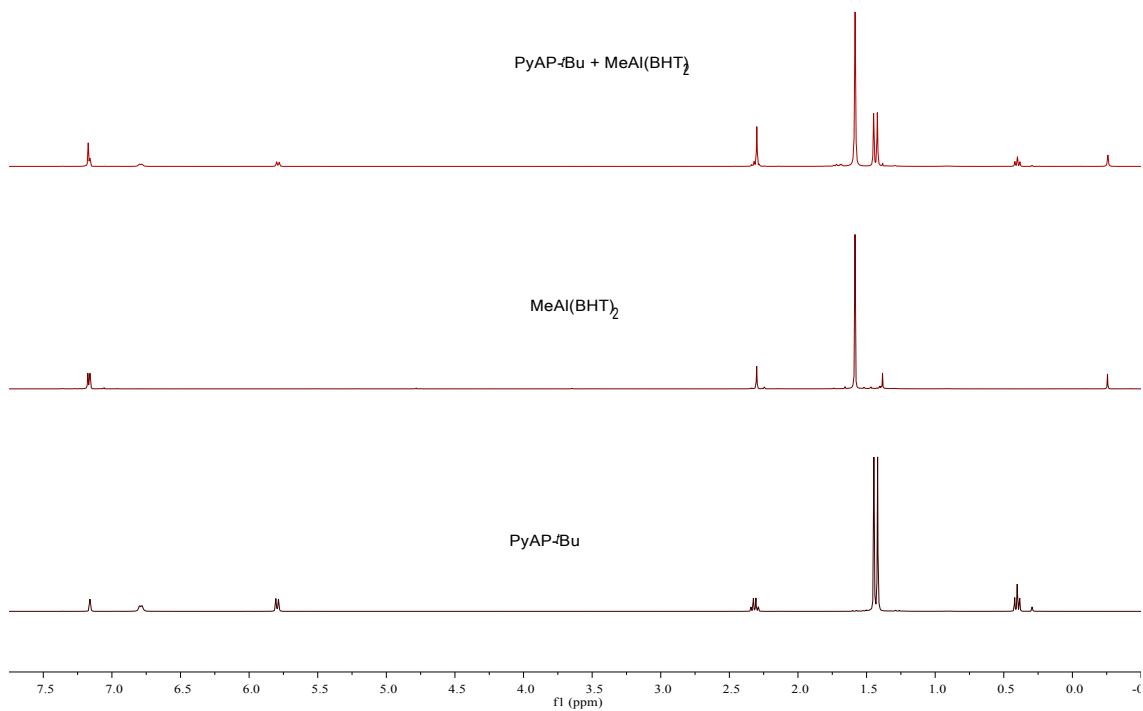


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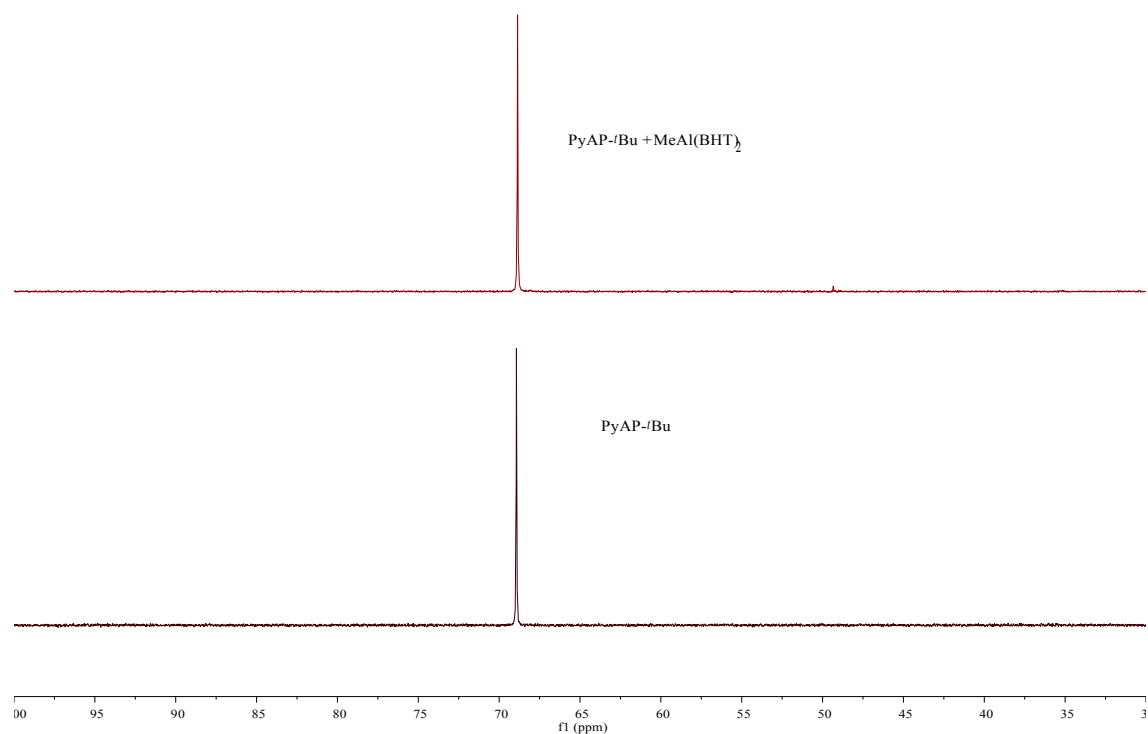
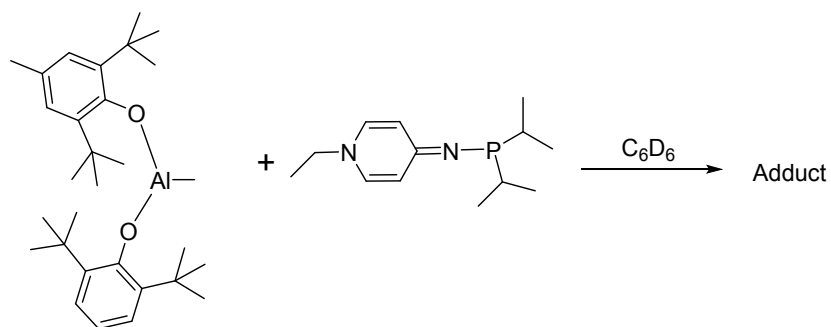


Figure S25. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-*i*Bu with $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

2.8 Stoichiometric NMR Reaction of PyAP-*i*Pr with $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ in a 1:1 molar ratio



A NMR tube was charged with PyAP-*i*Pr (7.1 mg, 0.03 mmol) and 0.3 mL of C_6D_6 . A solution of $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (14 mg, 0.03 mmol), 0.3 mL C_6D_6 was added to this tube via pipette at ambient temperature, and the mixture was allowed to react for 5 min before analyzed by NMR spectroscopy.

Associated species and dissociated species were formed, which were indicated by $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectroscopy. The molar ratio of adduct to free FLP is 1/0.4.

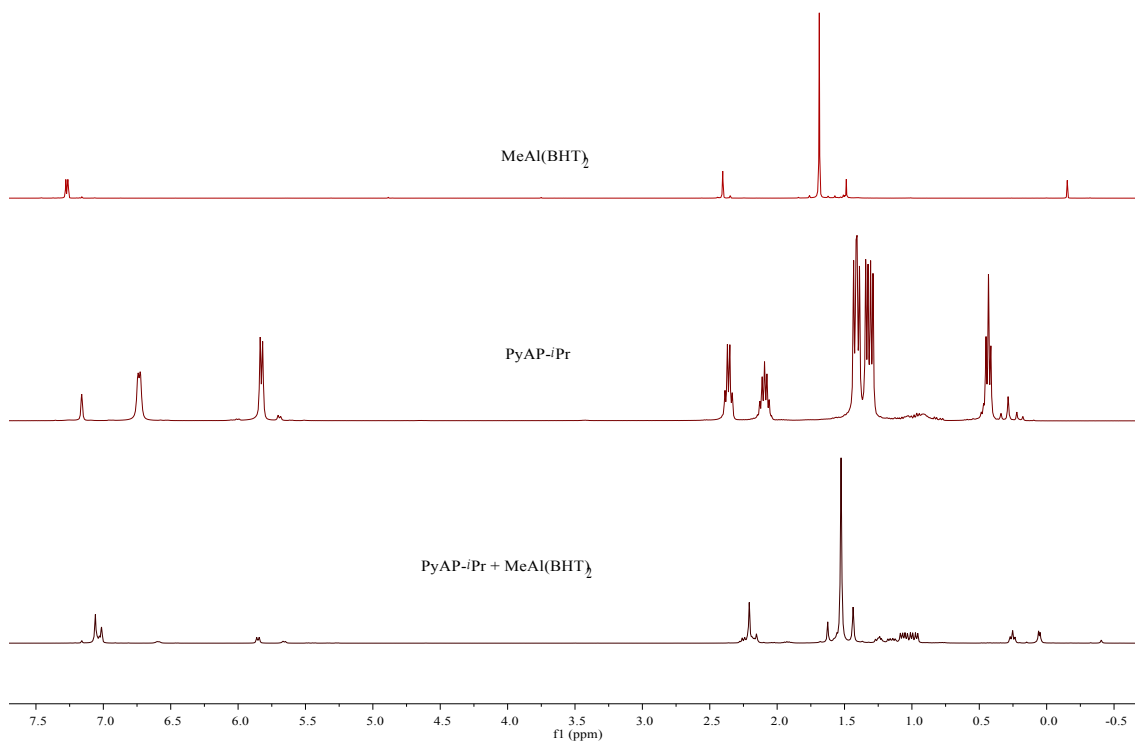


Figure S26. ^1H NMR spectrum for reaction of $\text{PyAP-}i\text{Pr}$ with $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

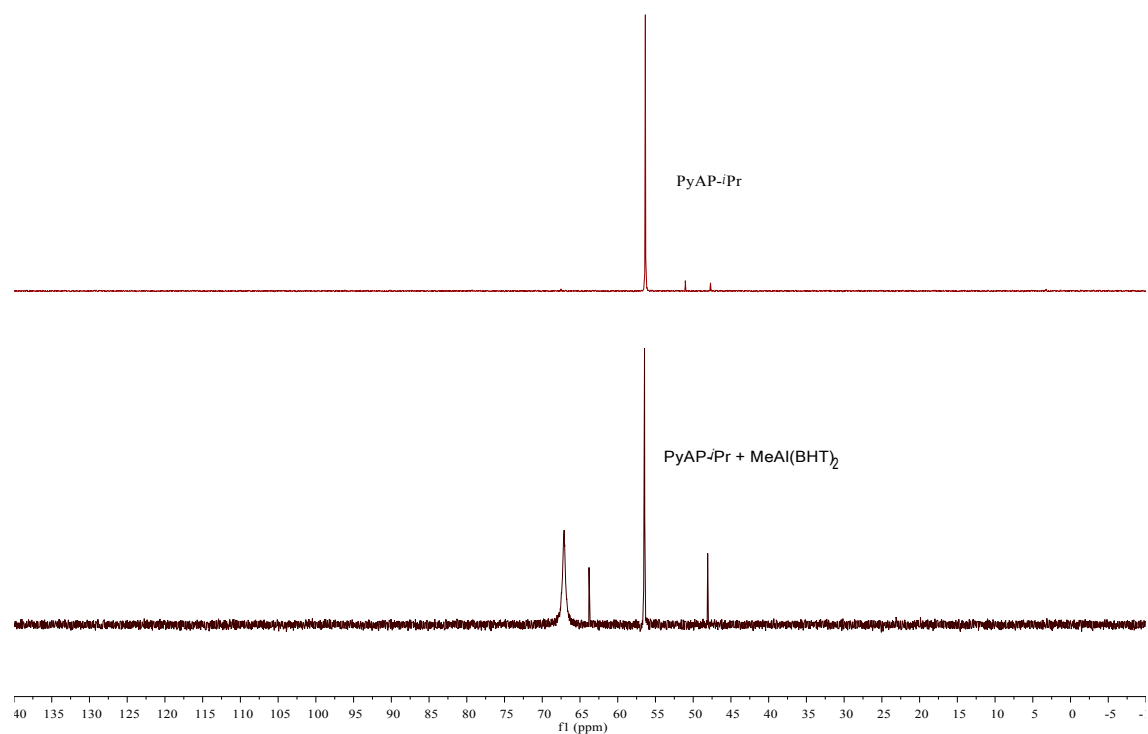
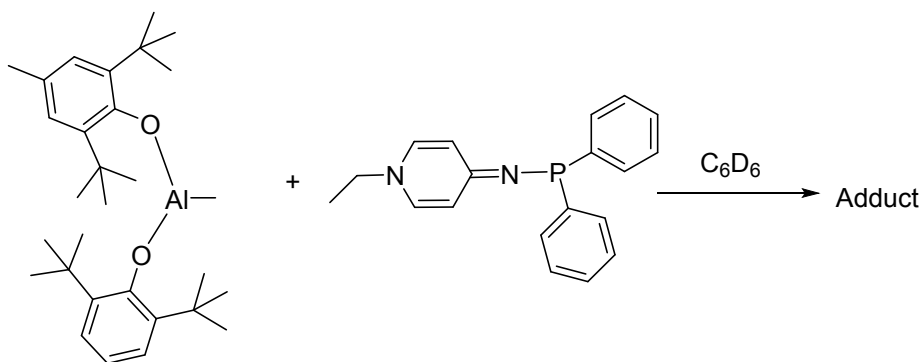


Figure S27. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-*i*Pr with MeAl(BHT)₂ (162 MHz, C₆D₆, 298 K)

2.9 Stoichiometric NMR Reaction of PyAP-Ph with MeAl(BHT)₂ in a 1:1 molar ratio



A NMR tube was charged with PyAP-Ph (9.2 mg, 0.03 mmol) and 0.3 mL of C₆D₆. A solution of MeAl(BHT)₂ (14 mg, 0.03 mmol), 0.3 mL C₆D₆ was added to this tube via pipette at ambient temperature, and the mixture was allowed to react for 5 min before analyzed by NMR spectroscopy.

Formation of associated species was indicated by $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectroscopy.

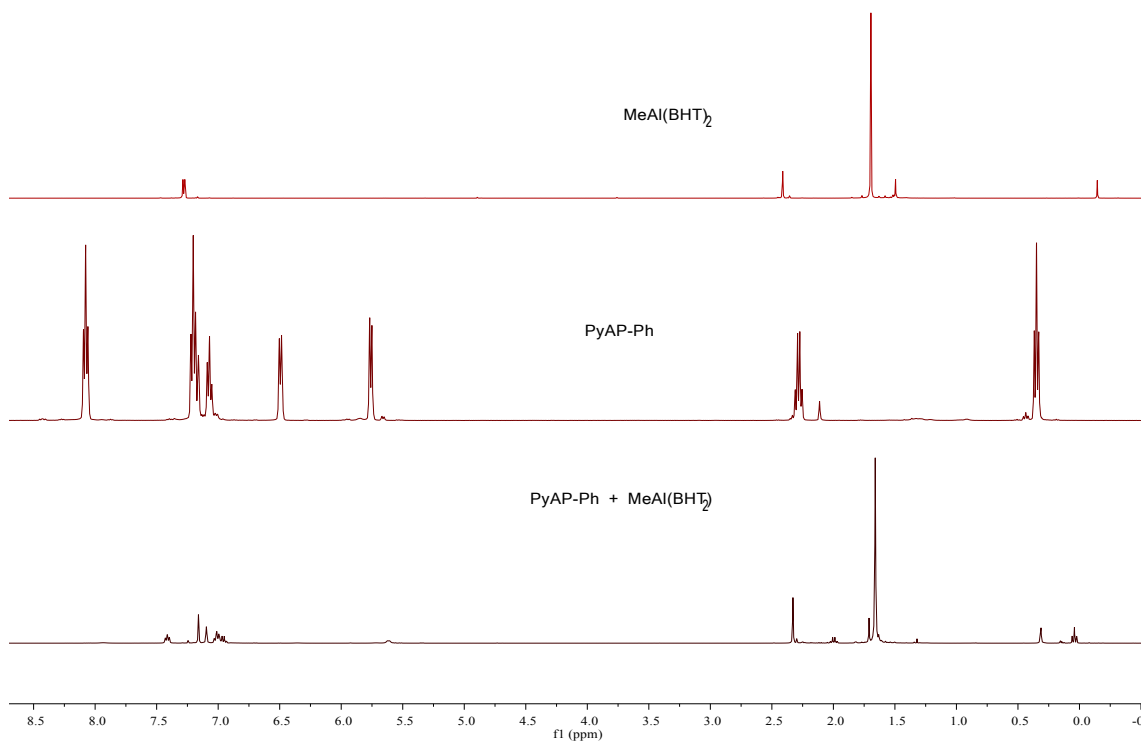


Figure S28. ^1H NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-Ph with $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

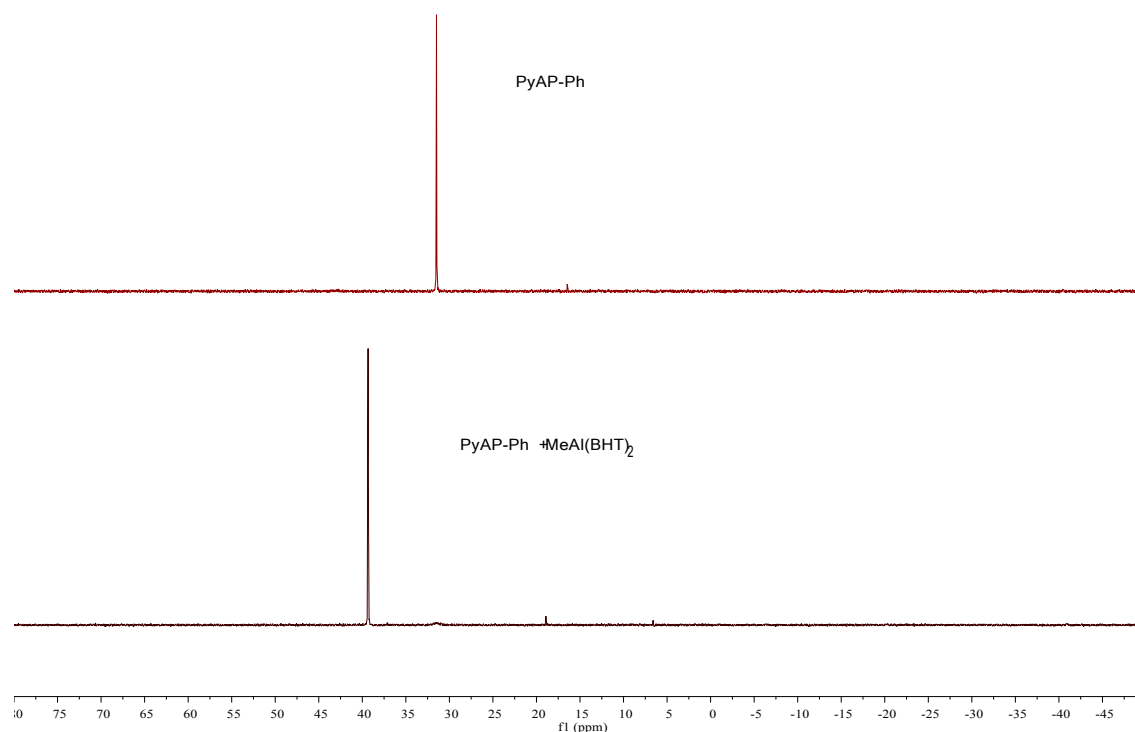
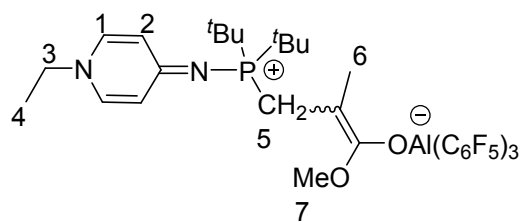


Figure S29. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-Ph with $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

2.10 Stoichiometric NMR Reaction of PyAP-*t*Bu with $\text{Al}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_3 \cdot \text{MMA}$ in a 1:1 molar ratio

In an argon-filled glovebox, a NMR tube was charged with 10.7 mg (0.04 mmol) of PyAP-*t*Bu and 0.3 mL of C_6D_6 . A 0.3 mL of C_6D_6 solution of $\text{Al}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_3$ (22.9 mg, 0.04 mmol) and 4.2 μL MMA (0.04 mmol) were slowly added to this tube via pipet at room temperature. The mixture was allowed to react for 5 min at room temperature before the NMR spectra were recorded. Zwitterionic enolaluminate was generated as two isomers (E/Z = 9:1). Only the major isomer was analyzed.



^1H NMR (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) δ (ppm) = 6.20 (m, 4H, 1-H, 2-H), 3.45 (s, 3H, 7-H), 2.56 (d, $^2J_{\text{PH}} = 7.0$ Hz, 2H, 5-H), 2.49 (q, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 2H, 3-H), 1.43 (s, 3H, 6-H), 0.74

(d, $^3J_{PH} = 14.2$ Hz, 18H, t -Bu), 0.38 (t, $^3J_{HH} = 7.3$ Hz, 3H, 4-H). ^{31}P { 1H } NMR (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) δ (ppm) = 45.9 (s).

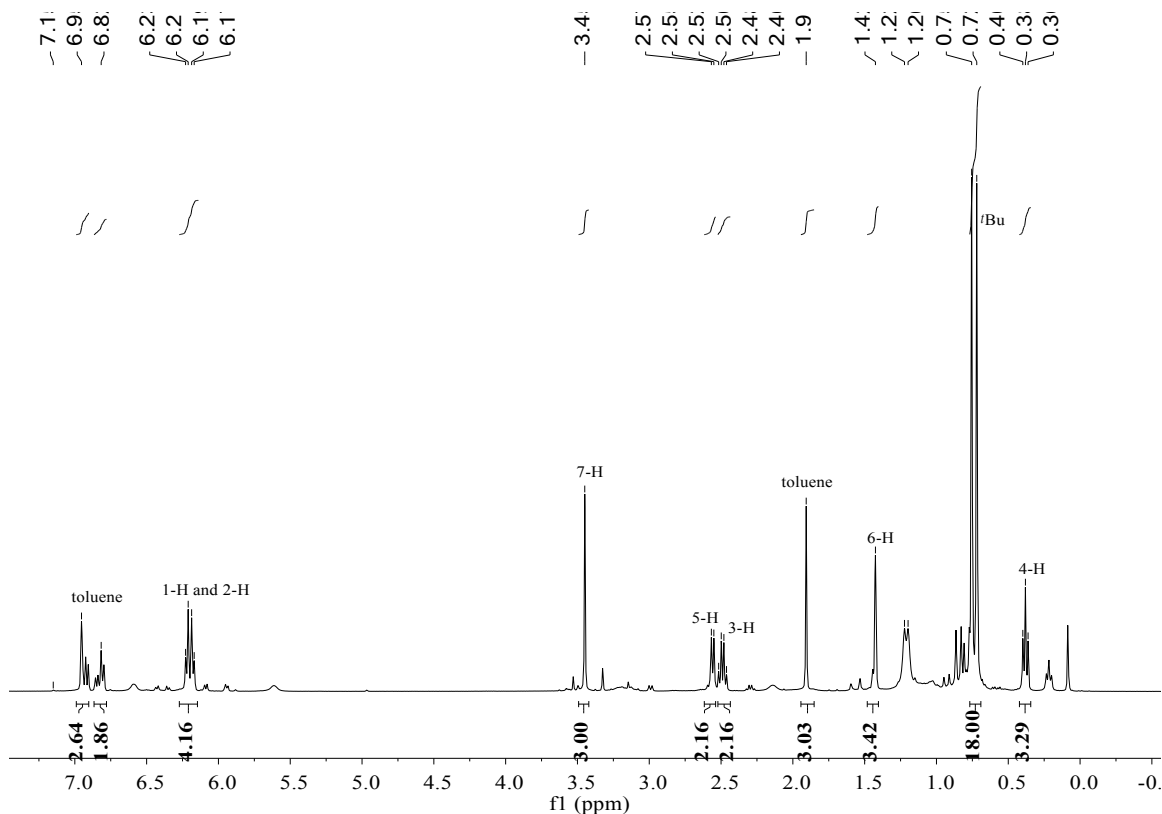


Figure S30. 1H NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP- t -Bu with $Al(C_6F_5)_3 \cdot MMA$ (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) (9:1 mixture of isomer, only the major isomer was marked for clarity).

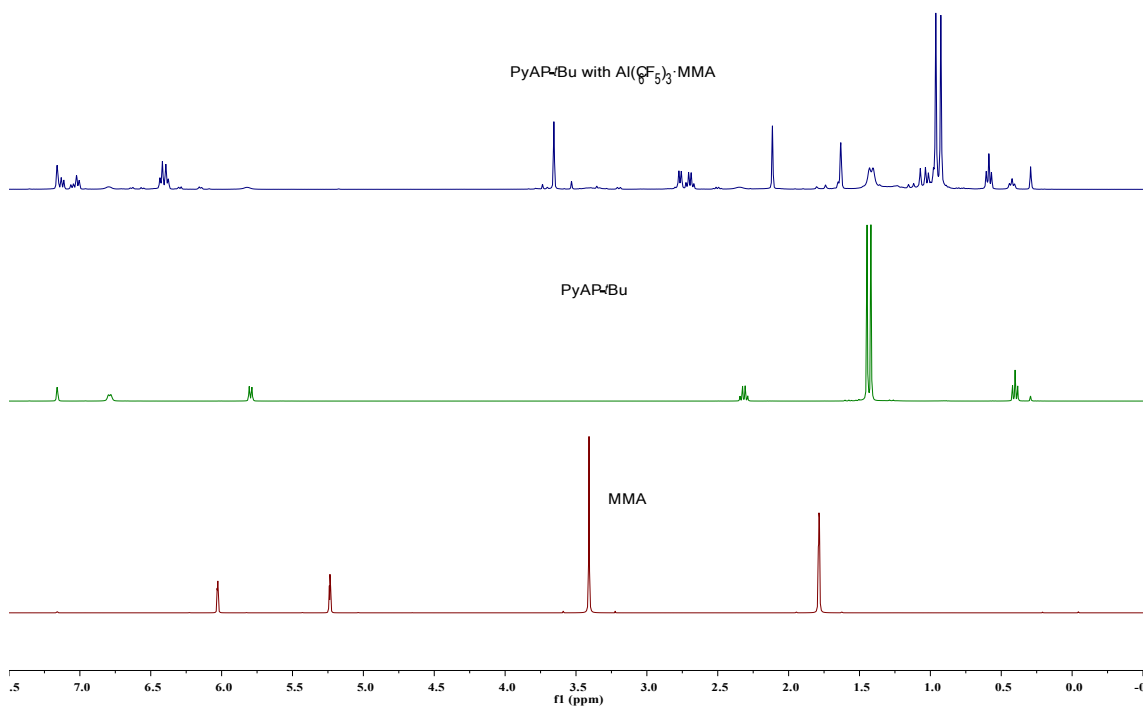


Figure S31. Stacked ^1H NMR spectra for reaction of PyAP-tBu with $\text{Al}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_3 \cdot \text{MMA}$ (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

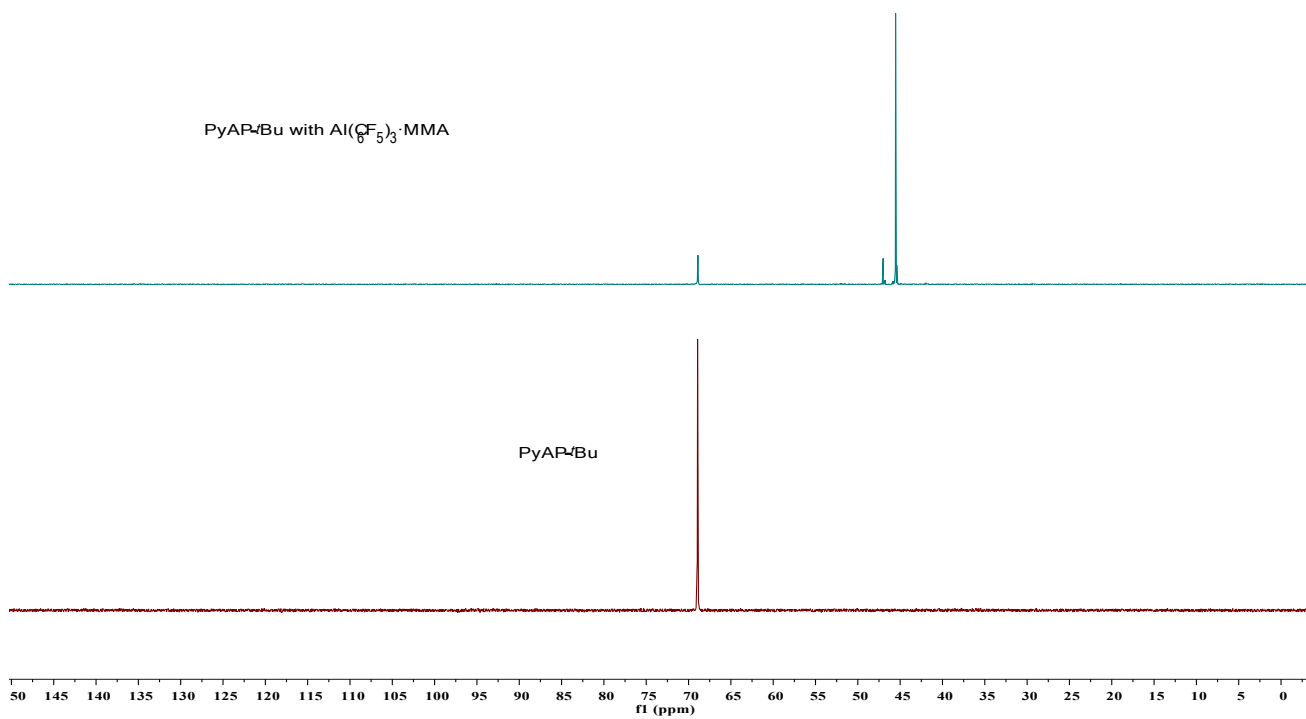


Figure S32. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-*t*Bu with $\text{Al}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_3 \cdot \text{MMA}$ (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

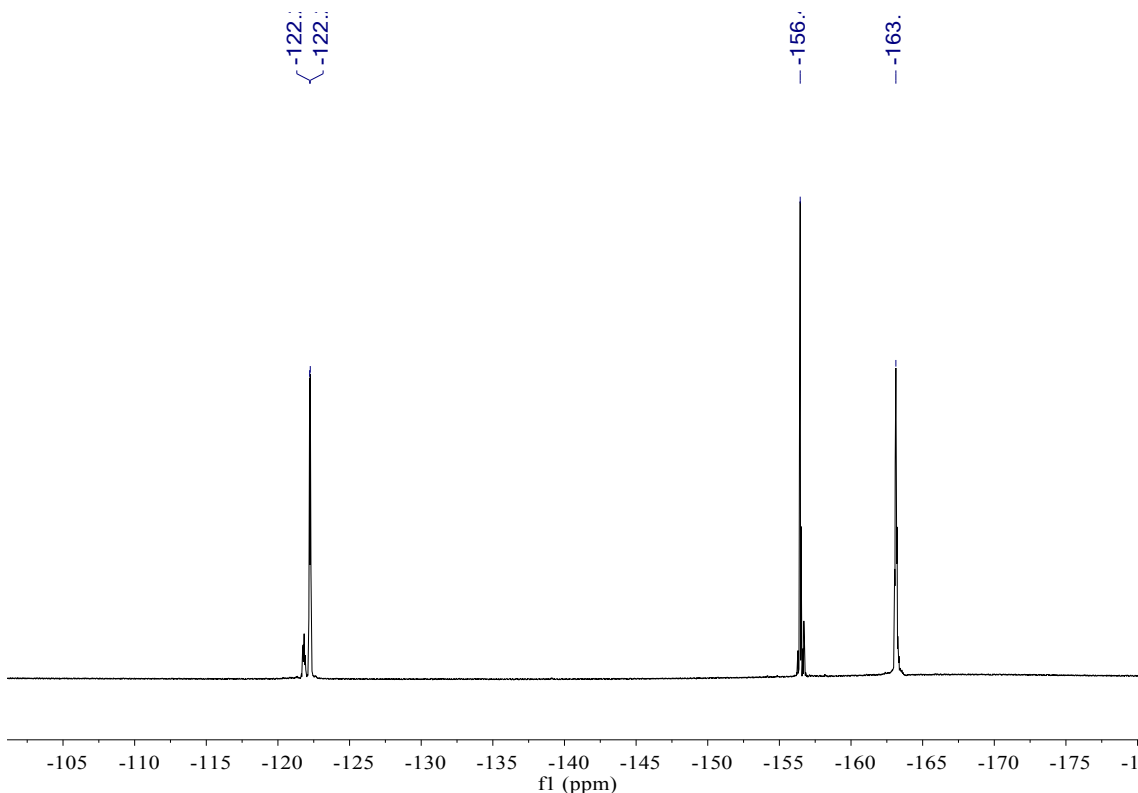


Figure S33. $^{19}\text{F}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-*t*Bu with $\text{Al}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_3$ (376 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

2.11 Stoichiometric NMR Reaction of PyAP-Cy with $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2 \cdot \text{MMA}$ in a 1:1 ratio

In an argon-filled glovebox, a NMR tube was charged with 12.7 mg (0.04 mmol) of PyAP-Cy and 0.3 mL of C_6D_6 . A 0.3 mL C_6D_6 solution of $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (18.7 mg, 0.04 mmol) and 4.2 μL MMA (0.04 mmol) were slowly added to this tube via pipet at room temperature. The mixture was allowed to react for 5 min at room temperature before the NMR spectra were recorded. Zwitterionic enolaluminate was generated as two isomers (E/Z = 9:1). Only the major isomer was analyzed.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) δ (ppm) = 7.26 (s, 4H, BHT-phenyl), 6.53 (d, 2H, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 1-H), 6.08 (d, 2H, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 2-H), 3.61 (s, 3H, 7-H), 2.52 (q, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 2H, 3-H), 2.37 (d, $^2J_{\text{PH}} = 7.0$ Hz, 2H, 5-H), 2.31 (s, 6H, BHT-Me), 1.85 (s, 39H, BHT-*t*Bu and 6-H), 1.00-1.60 (m, 22H, Cy), 0.45 (t, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 3H, 4-H), 0.27 (s, 3H, Al-Me).

^{31}P $\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) δ (ppm) = 36.8 (s).

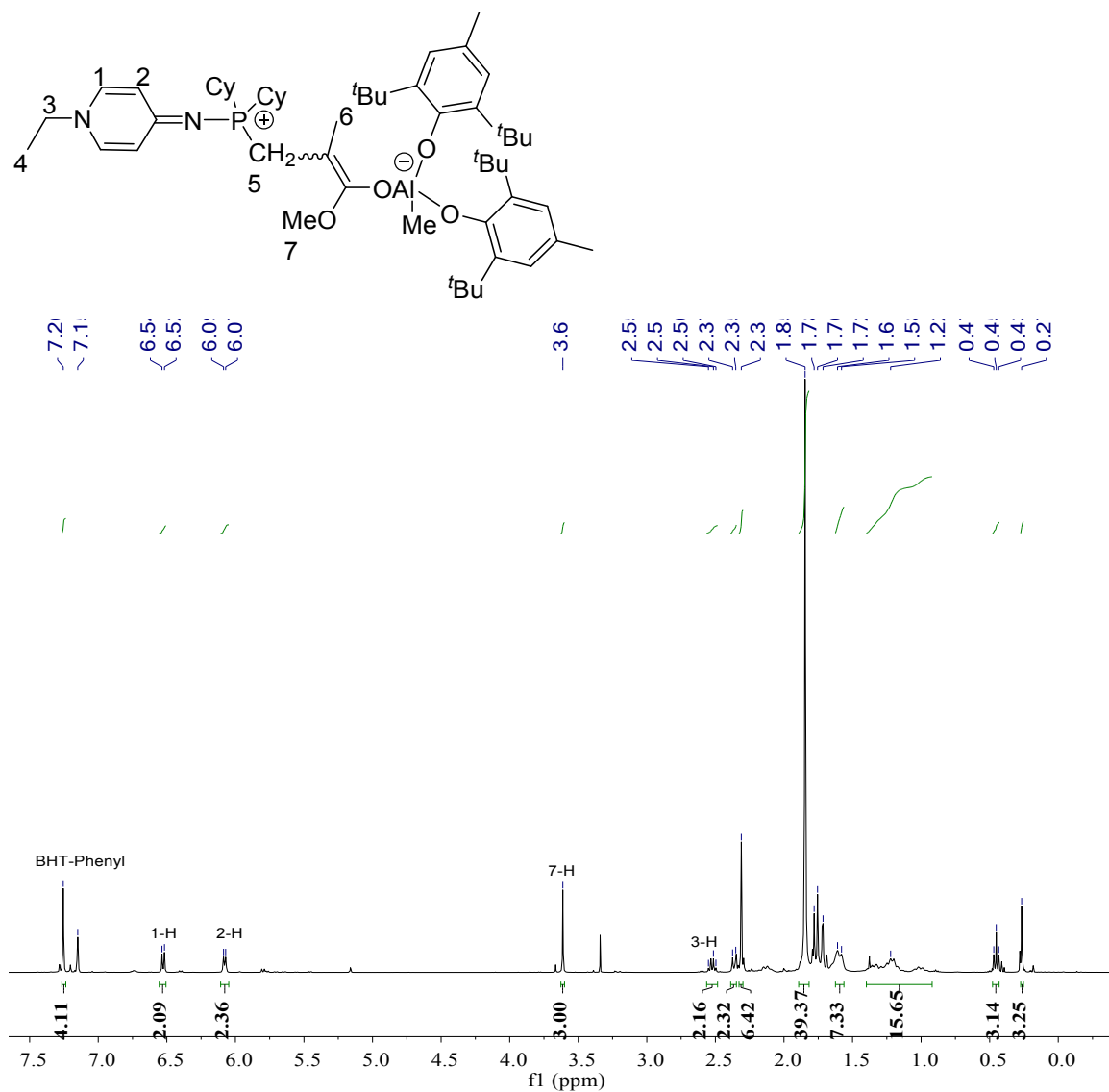


Figure S34. ^1H NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-Cy with $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2\cdot\text{MMA}$ (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) (9:1 mixture of isomer, only the major isomer was marked for clarity).

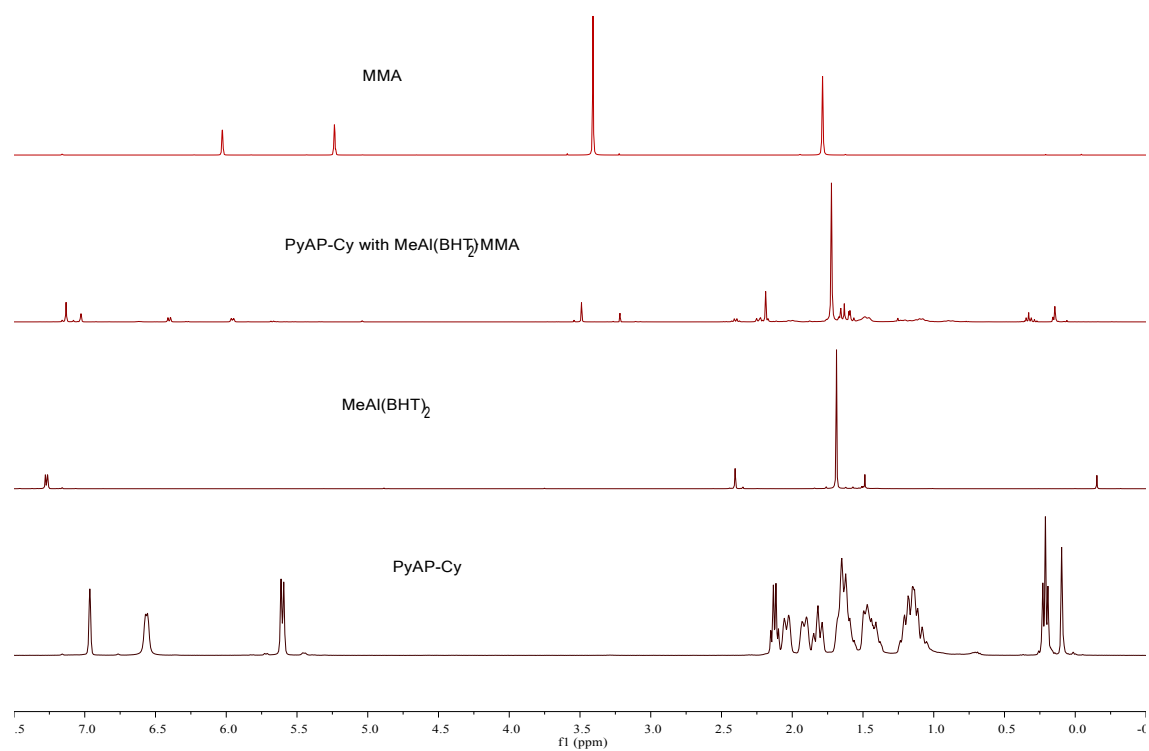


Figure S35. Stacked ¹H NMR spectra for reaction of PyAP-Cy with MeAl(BHT)₂·MMA (400 MHz, C₆D₆, 298 K)

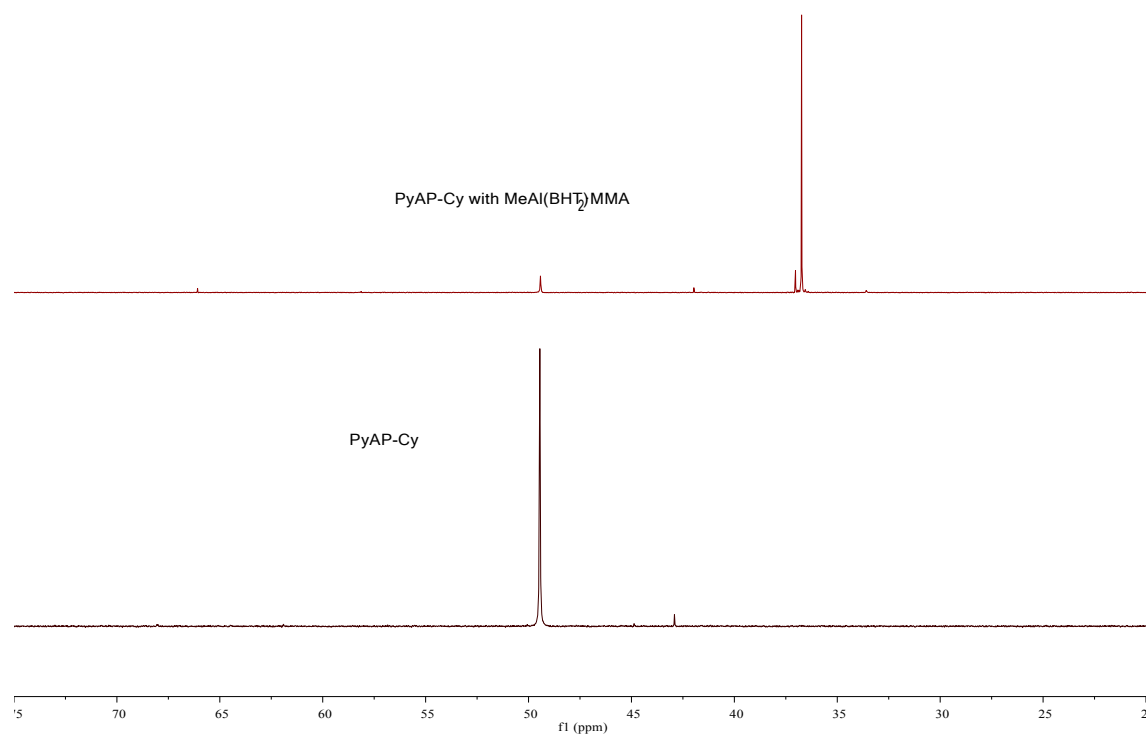
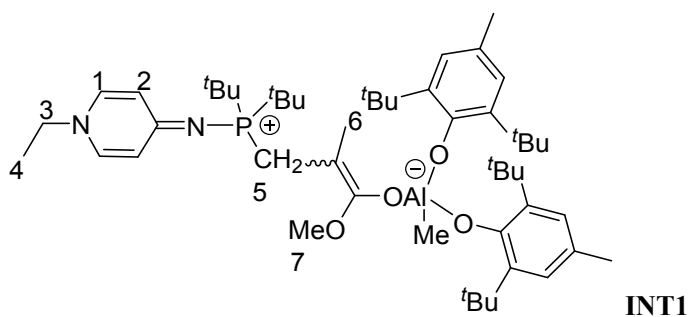


Figure S36. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-Cy with $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2\cdot\text{MMA}$ (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

2.12 Stoichiometric NMR Reaction of PyAP-*t*Bu with $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2\cdot\text{MMA}$ in a 1:1 molar ratio

In an argon-filled glovebox, a NMR tube was charged with 10.7 mg (0.04 mmol) of PyAP-*t*Bu and 0.3 mL of C_6D_6 . A 0.3 mL C_6D_6 solution of $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (18.7 mg, 0.04 mmol) and 4.2 μL MMA (0.04 mmol) were slowly added to this tube via pipet at room temperature. The mixture was allowed to react for 5 min at room temperature before the NMR spectra were recorded. Zwitterionic enolaluminate was generated as two isomers (E/Z = 100:4). Only the major isomer was analyzed. Suitable single crystals of INT1 were obtained from its toluene solution at -35°C for 2 days.



^1H NMR (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) δ (ppm) = 7.24 (s, 4H, BHT-phenyl), 6.49 (d, 2H, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 1-H), 6.12 (d, 2H, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 2-H), 3.71 (s, 3H, 7-H), 2.80 (d, $^2J_{\text{PH}} = 7.0$ Hz, 2H, 5-H), 2.58 (q, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 2H, 3-H), 2.30 (s, 6H, BHT-Me), 1.83 (s, 36H, BHT- ^tBu), 1.74 (s, 3H, 6-H), 1.00 (d, $^3J_{\text{PH}} = 14.1$ Hz, 18H, ^tBu), 0.54 (t, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 3H, 4-H), 0.30 (s, 3H, Al-Me). ^{31}P $\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) δ (ppm) = 36.8 (s).

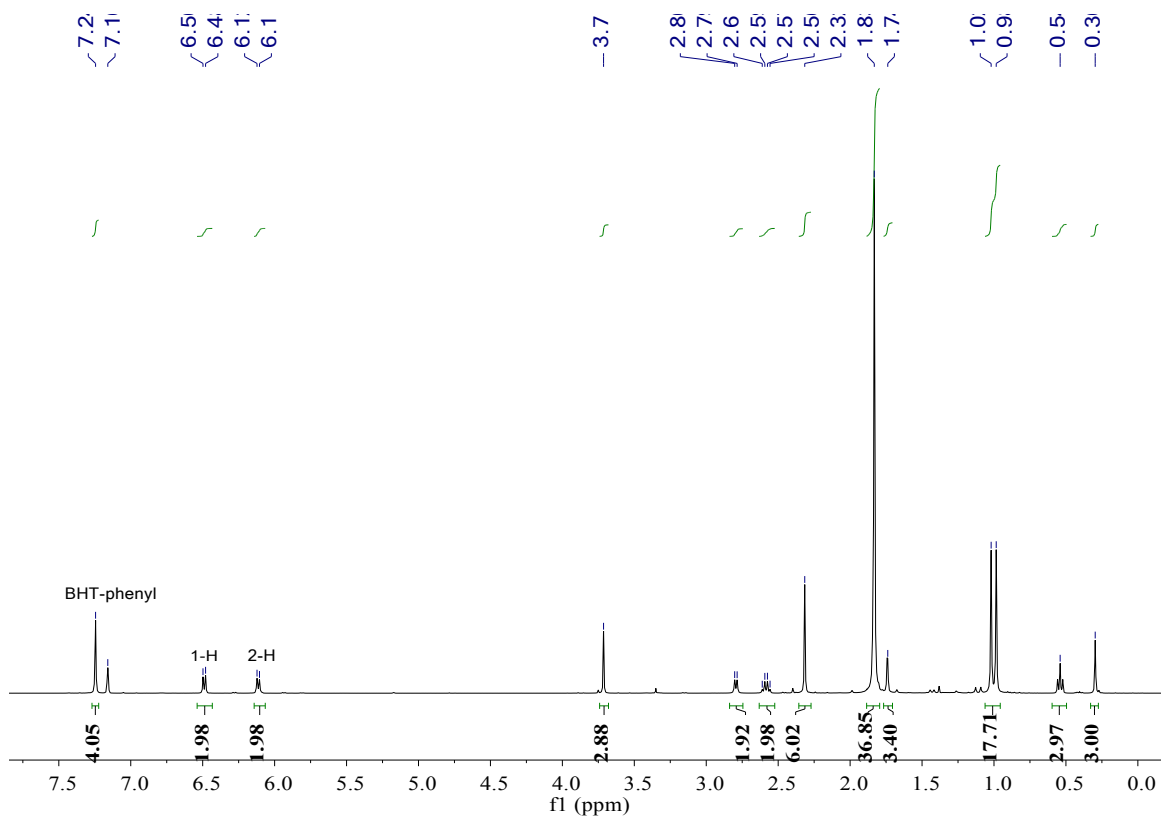


Figure S37. ^1H NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP- ^tBu with $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2\cdot\text{MMA}$ (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) (100:4 mixture of isomer, only the major isomer was marked for clarity).

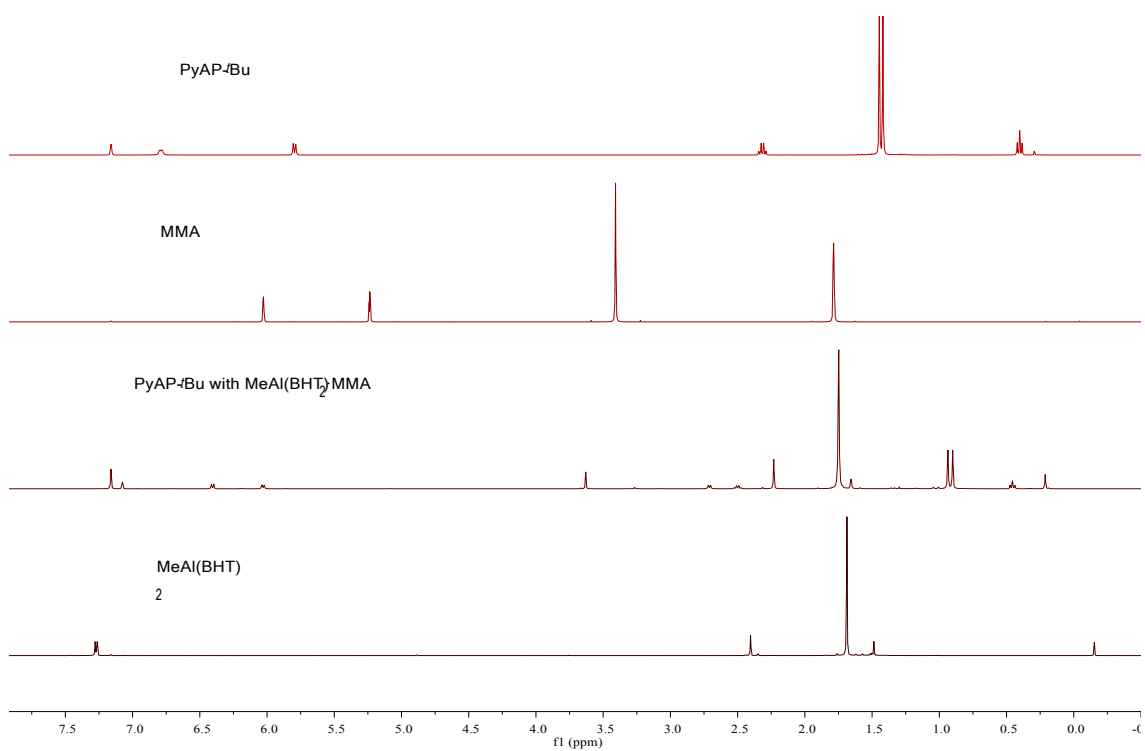


Figure S38. Stacked ¹H NMR spectra for reaction of PyAP-tBu with MeAl(BHT)₂·MMA (400 MHz, C₆D₆, 298 K)

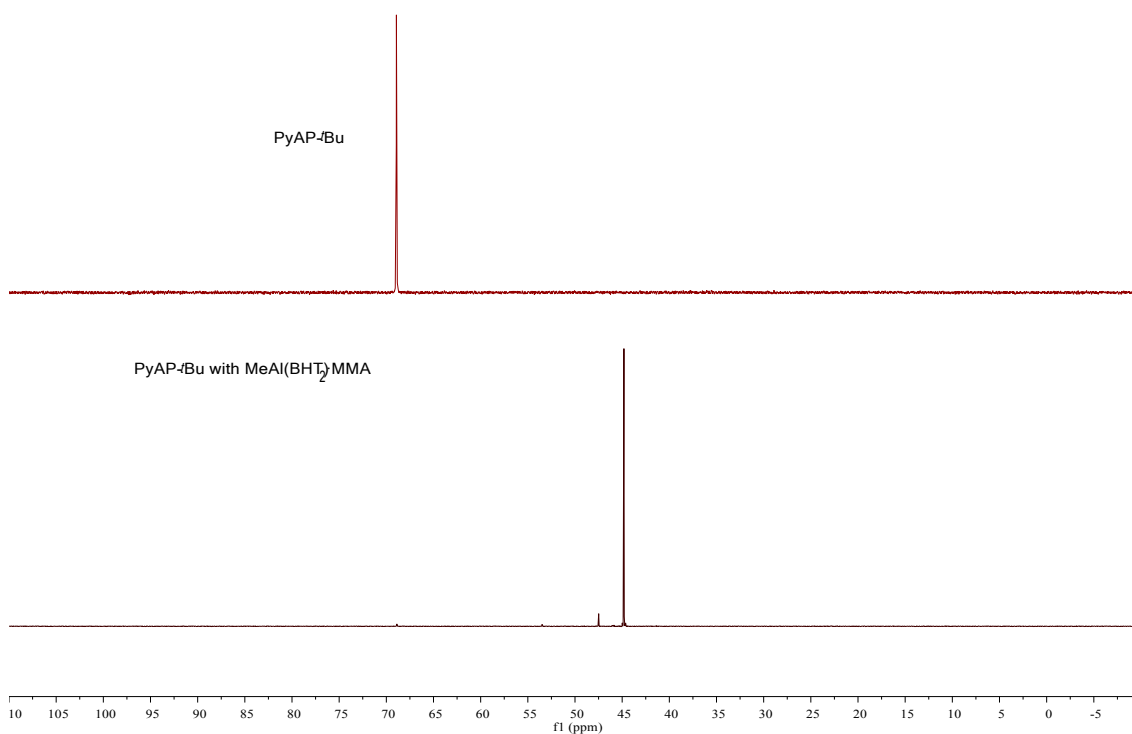
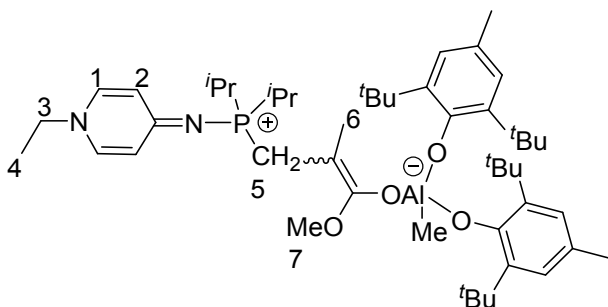


Figure S39. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-*t*Bu with $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2 \cdot \text{MMA}$ (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

2.13 Stoichiometric NMR Reaction of PyAP-*i*Pr with $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2 \cdot \text{MMA}$ in a 1:1 molar ratio

In an argon-filled glovebox, a NMR tube was charged with 9.5 mg (0.04 mmol) of PyAP-*i*Pr and 0.3 mL of C_6D_6 . A 0.3 mL C_6D_6 solution of $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (18.7 mg, 0.04 mmol) and 4.2 μL MMA (0.04 mmol) were slowly added to this tube via pipet at room temperature. The mixture was allowed to react for 5 min at room temperature before the NMR spectra were recorded. Zwitterionic enolaluminate was generated as two isomers (E/Z = 100:8). Only the major isomer was analyzed.



^1H NMR (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) δ (ppm) = 7.25 (s, 4H, BHT-phenyl), 6.43 (d, 2H, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 1-H), 5.95 (d, 2H, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 6.3$ Hz, 2-H), 3.59 (s, 3H, 7-H), 2.55 (q, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 2H, 3-H), 2.36 (d, $^2J_{\text{PH}} = 9.1$ Hz, 2H, 5-H), 2.31 (s, 6H, BHT-Me), 2.13 (m, 2H, CH of *i*Pr), 1.83 (s, 36H, BHT-*t*Bu), 1.77 (s, 3H, 6-H), 0.91 (dt, $^3J_{\text{PH}} = 14.1$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{PH}} = 7.5$ Hz, 12H, CH_3 of *i*Pr), 0.46 (t, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 3H, 4-H), 0.26 (s, 3H, Al-Me). CH of *i*Pr was not assigned due to the overlapping. ^{31}P $\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) δ (ppm) = 42.5 (s).

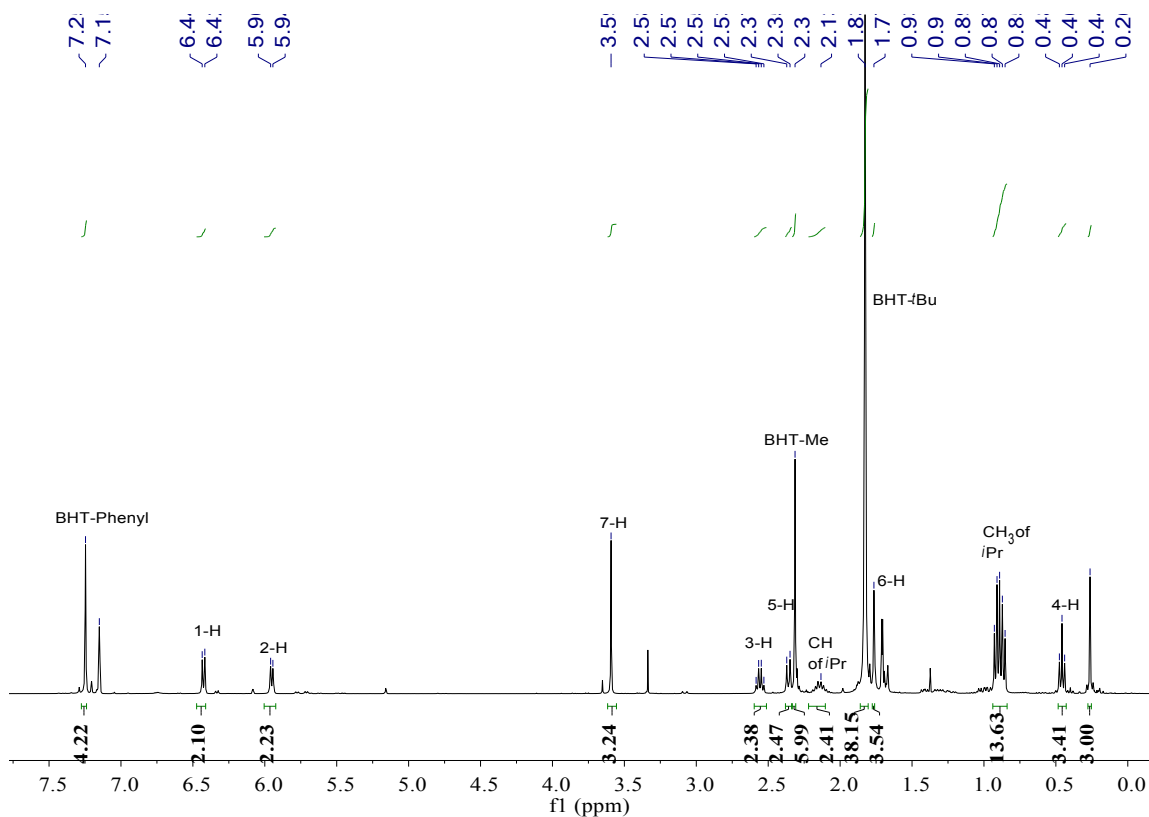


Figure S40. ^1H NMR spectrum for reaction of $\text{PyAP-}i\text{Pr}$ with $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2\text{-MMA}$ (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) (100:8 mixture of isomer, only the major isomer was marked for clarity).

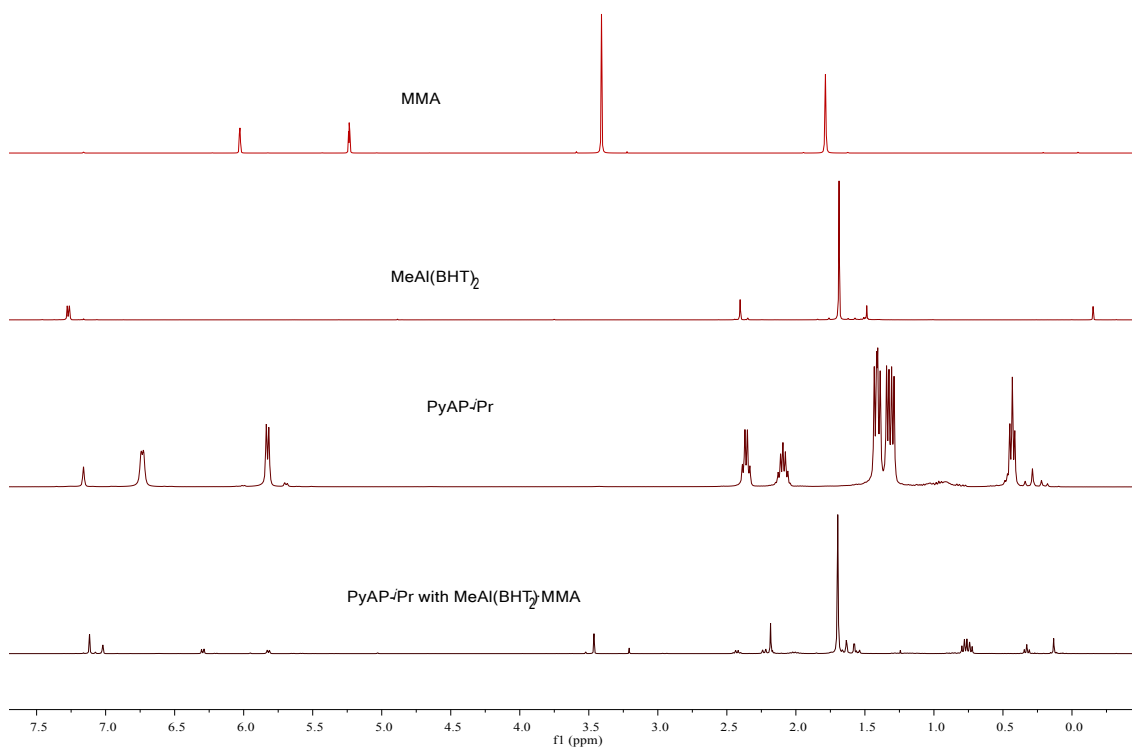


Figure S41. Stacked ¹H NMR spectra for reaction of PyAP-*i*Pr with MeAl(BHT)₂·MMA (400 MHz, C₆D₆, 298 K)

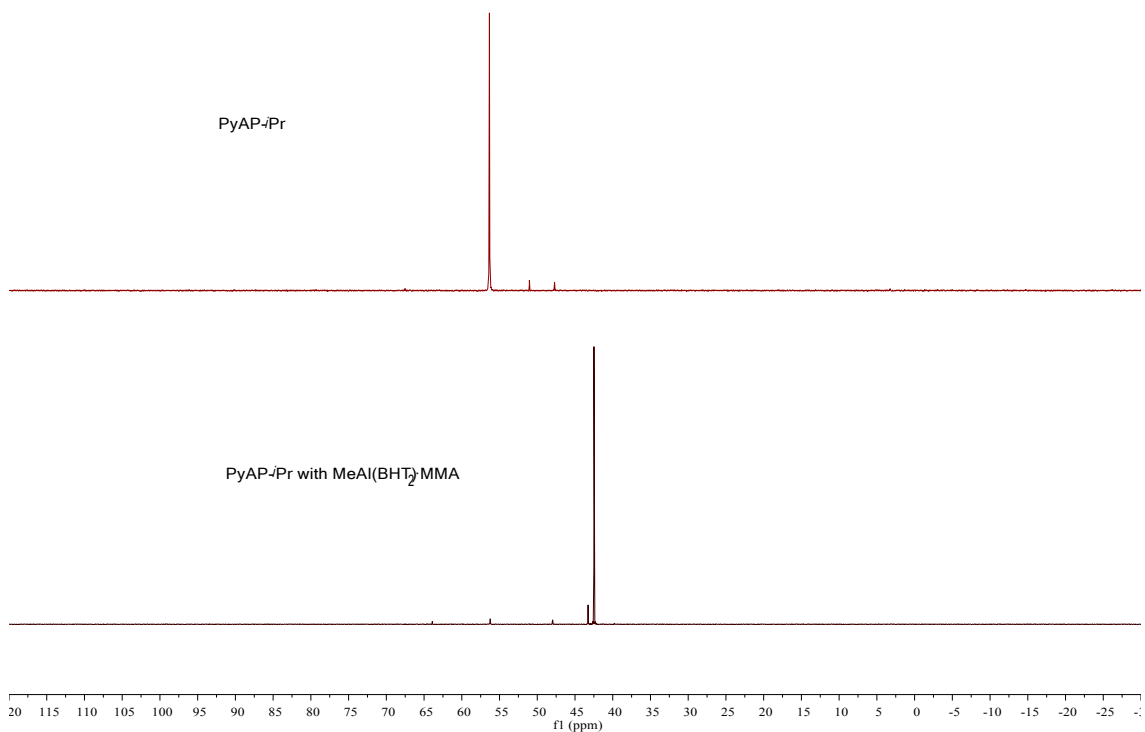
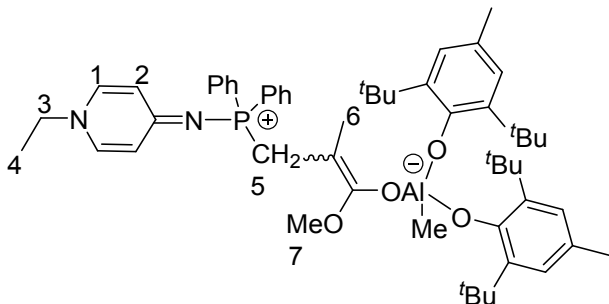


Figure S42. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-*i*Pr with $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2 \cdot \text{MMA}$ (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

2.14 Stoichiometric NMR Reaction of PyAP-PPh with $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2 \cdot \text{MMA}$ in a 1:1 molar ratio

In an argon-filled glovebox, a NMR tube was charged with 12.3 mg (0.04 mmol) of PyAP-PPh and 0.3 mL of C_6D_6 . A 0.3 mL C_6D_6 solution of $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (18.7 mg, 0.04 mmol) and 4.2 μL MMA (0.04 mmol) were slowly added to this tube via pipet at room temperature. The mixture was allowed to react for 5 min at room temperature before the NMR spectra were recorded. Zwitterionic enolaluminate was generated as two isomers (E/Z = 10:6). Only the major isomer was analyzed.



^1H NMR (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) δ (ppm) = 7.25 (s, 4H, BHT-phenyl), 7.05 (m, 10H, Ph), 6.38 (d, 2H, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 1-H), 6.01 (d, 2H, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 6.3$ Hz, 2-H), 3.42 (s, 3H, 7-H), 2.53 (q, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 2H, 3-H), 2.32 (d, $^2J_{\text{PH}} = 9.1$ Hz, 2H, 5-H), 2.32 (s, 6H, BHT-Me), 1.79 (s, 39H, BHT-t-Bu and 6-H), 0.42 (t, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 3H, 4-H), 0.10 (s, 3H, Al-Me). ^{31}P $\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) δ (ppm) = 17.1 (s).

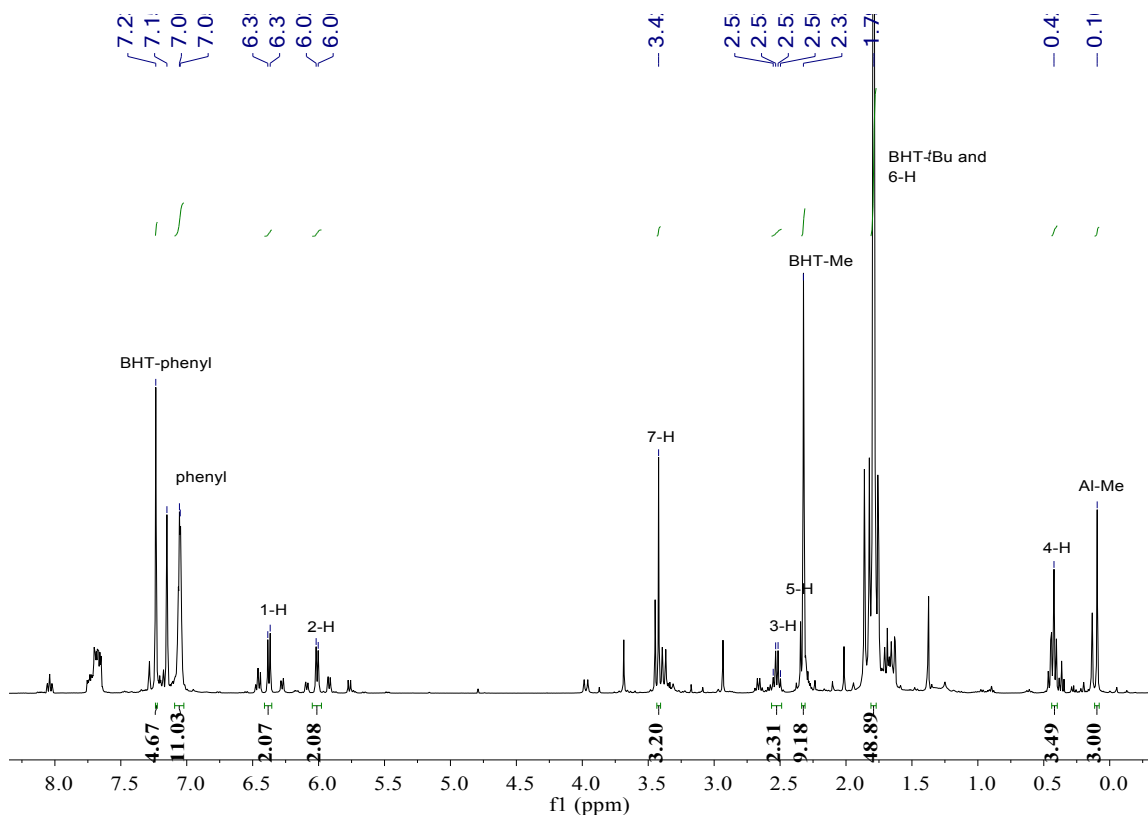


Figure S43. ^1H NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-PPh with $\text{MeAl}(\text{BHT})_2\cdot\text{MMA}$ (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) (10:6 mixture of isomer, only the major isomer was marked for clarity).

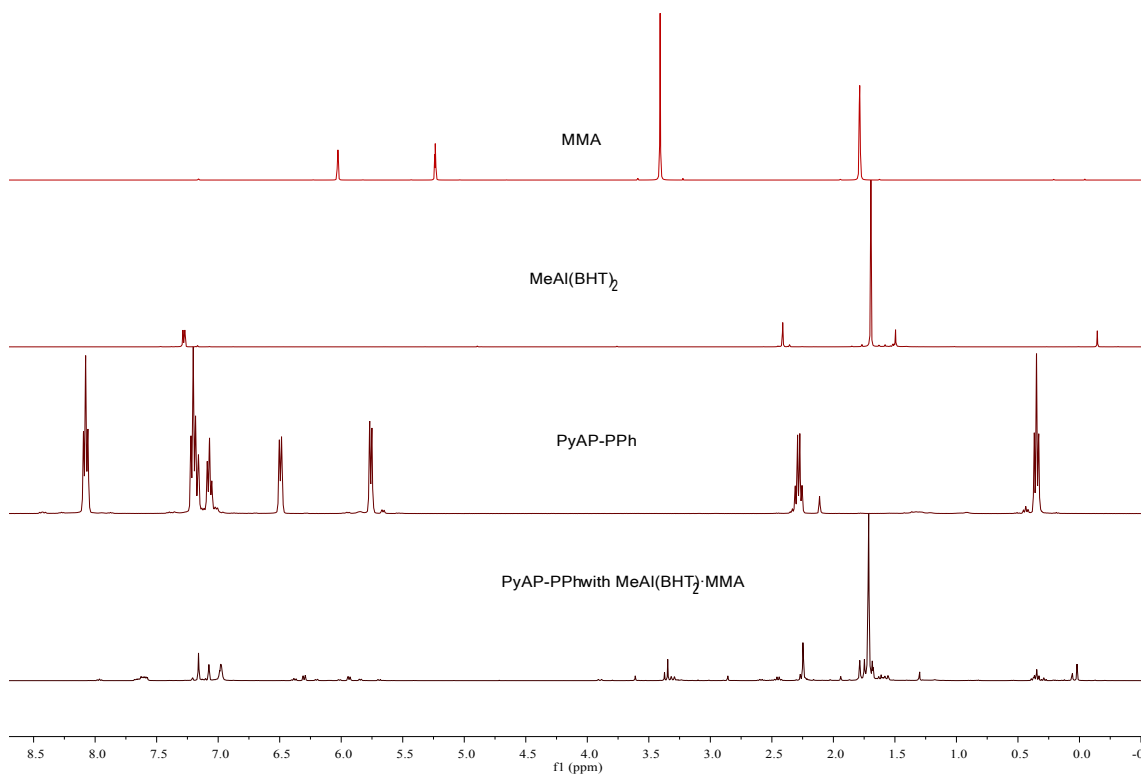


Figure S44. Stacked ¹H NMR spectra for reaction of PyAP-PPh with MeAl(BHT)₂·MMA (400 MHz, C₆D₆, 298 K)

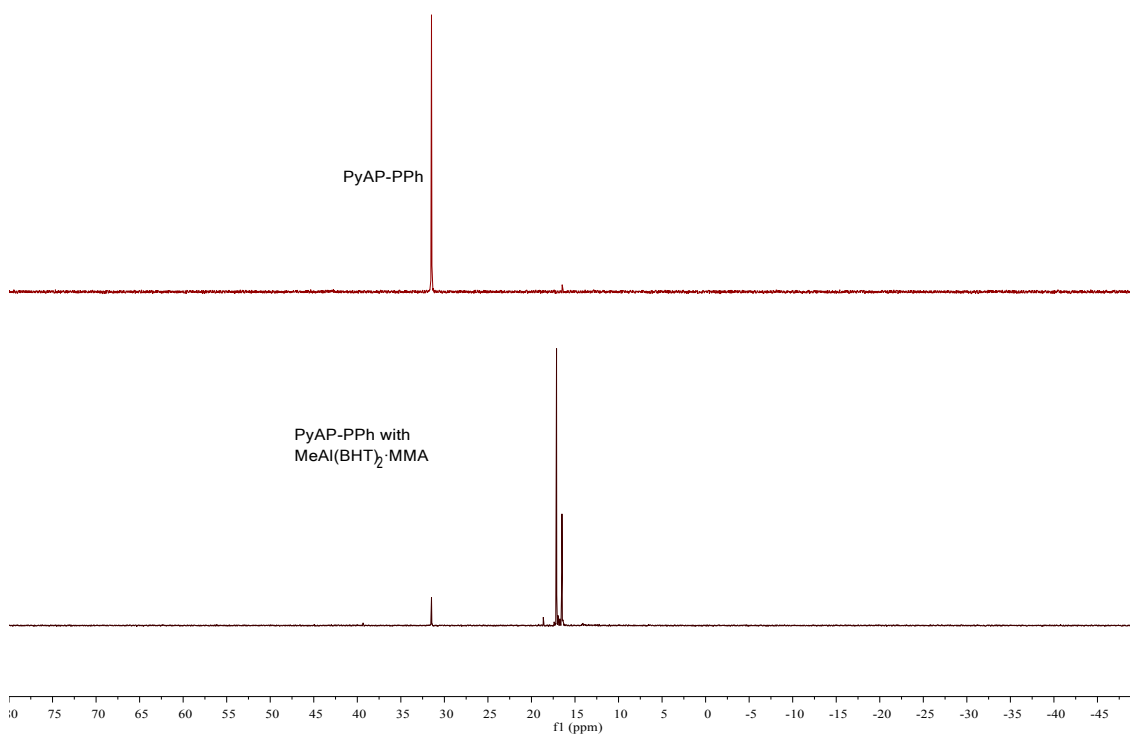
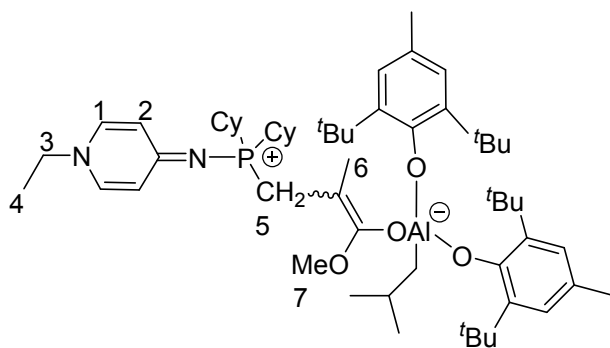


Figure S45. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-PPh with MeAl(BHT) $_2$ ·MMA (162 MHz, C $_6$ D $_6$, 298 K)

2.15 Stoichiometric NMR Reaction of PyAP-Cy with $^i\text{BuAl(BHT)}_2$ ·MMA in a 1:1 molar ratio

In an argon-filled glovebox, a NMR tube was charged with 12.7 mg (0.04 mmol) of PyAP-Cy and 0.3 mL of C $_6$ D $_6$. A 0.3 mL C $_6$ D $_6$ solution of $^i\text{BuAl(BHT)}_2$ (20.9mg, 0.04 mmol) and 4.2 μL MMA (0.04 mmol) were slowly added to this tube via pipet at room temperature. The mixture was allowed to react for 5 min at room temperature before the NMR spectra were recorded. Zwitterionic enolaluminate was generated as two isomers (E/Z = 5:1). Only the major isomer was analyzed.



^1H NMR (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) δ (ppm) = 7.31 (s, 4H, BHT-phenyl), 6.50 (d, 2H, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 1-H), 6.17 (d, 2H, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 2-H), 3.61 (s, 3H, 7-H), 2.58 (q, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 2H, 3-H), 2.42 (d, $^2J_{\text{PH}} = 7.0$ Hz, 2H, 5-H), 2.33 (s, 6H, BHT-Me), 1.89, 1.85 (s, 39H, BHT- ^tBu and 6-H), 1.00-1.62 (m, 22H, Cy), 1.40 (d, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 6.4$ Hz, 6H, CH_3 of ^tBu), 0.93 (d, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 6.5$ Hz, 2H, CH_2 of ^tBu), 0.28 (t, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 3H, 4-H), CH of ^tBu was not assigned due to the overlapping. ^{31}P $\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) δ (ppm) = 36.6 (s).

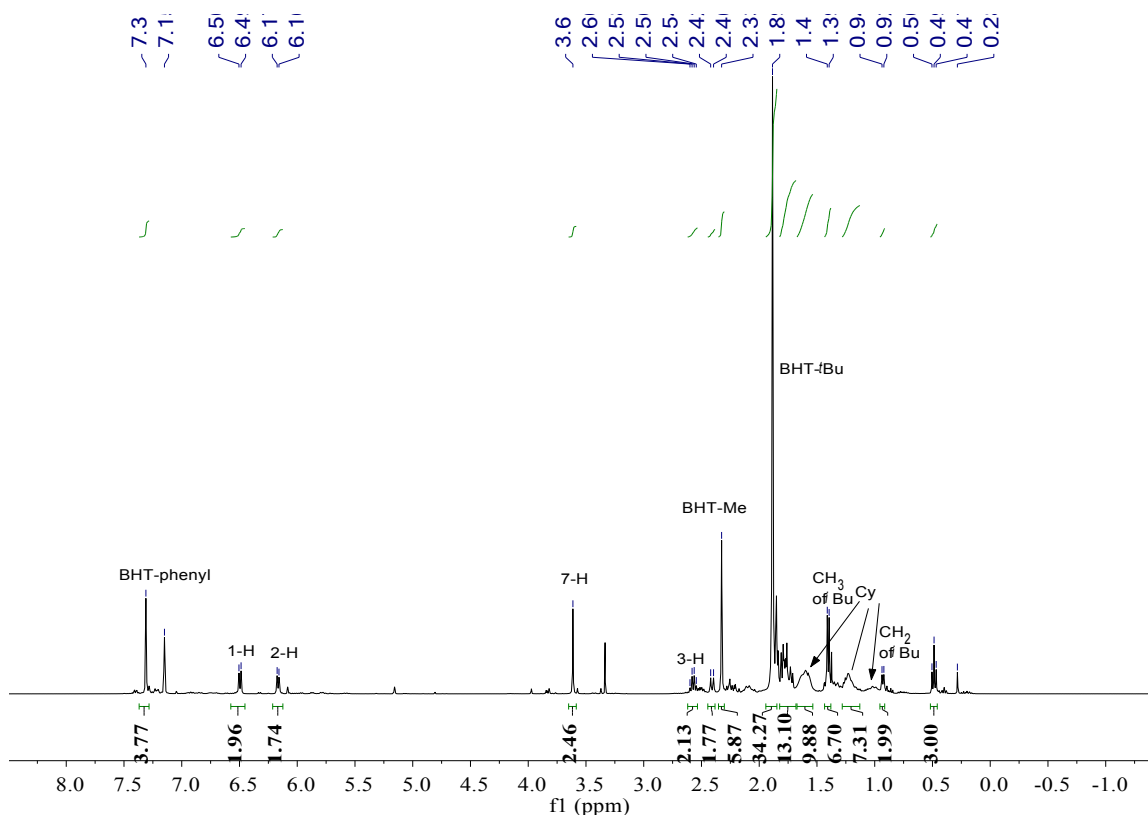


Figure S46. ^1H NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-Cy with $^t\text{BuAl}(\text{BHT})_2\cdot\text{MMA}$ (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) (5:1 mixture of isomer, only the major isomer was marked for clarity).

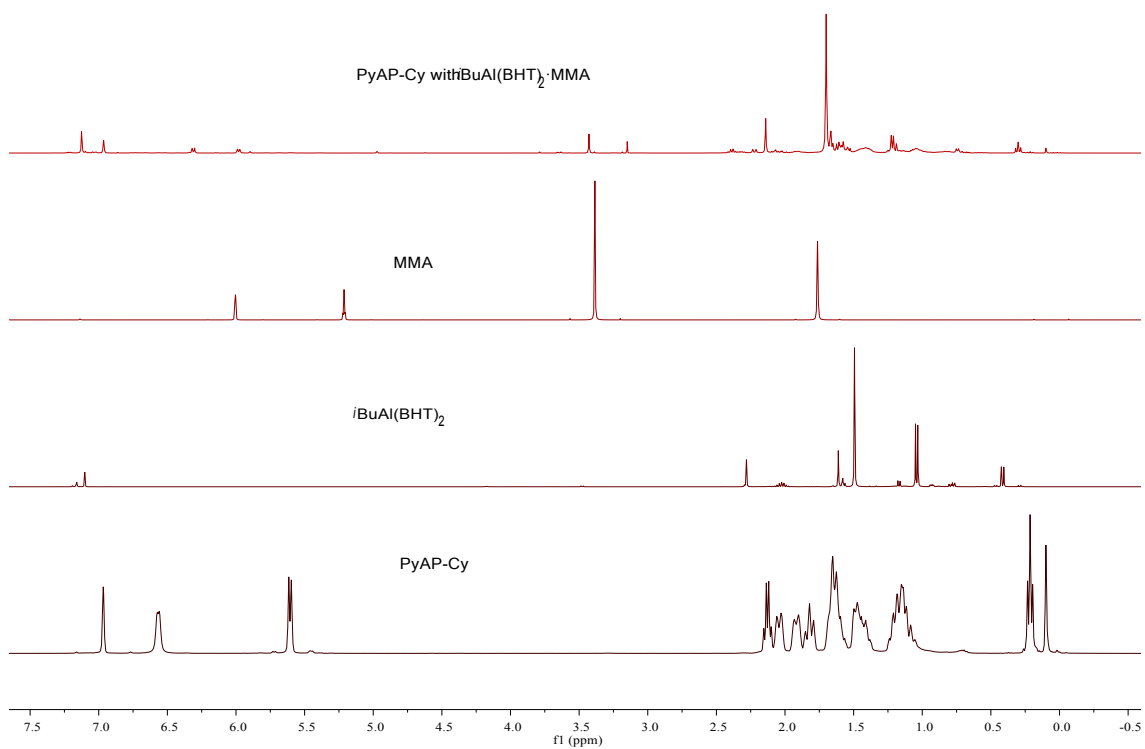


Figure S47. Stacked ¹H NMR spectra for reaction of PyAP-Cy with *i*BuAl(BHT)₂·MMA (400 MHz, C₆D₆, 298 K)

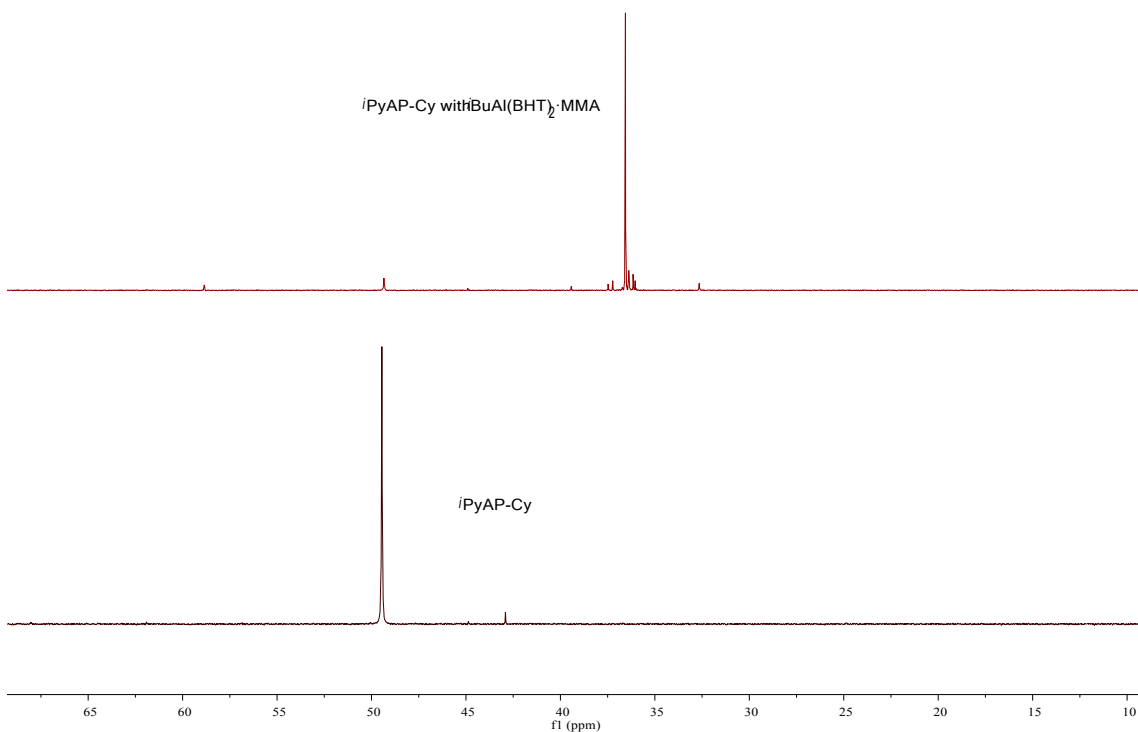
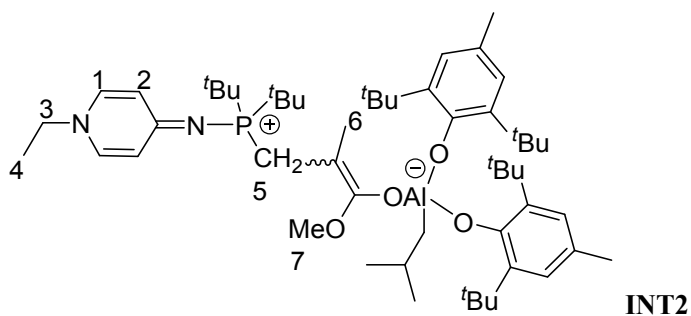


Figure S48. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-Cy with $^i\text{BuAl}(\text{BHT})_2 \cdot \text{MMA}$ (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

2.16 Stoichiometric NMR Reaction of PyAP- ^iBu with $^i\text{BuAl}(\text{BHT})_2 \cdot \text{MMA}$ in a 1:1 molar ratio

In an argon-filled glovebox, a NMR tube was charged with 10.7 mg (0.04 mmol) of PyAP- ^iBu and 0.3 mL of C_6D_6 . A 0.3 mL C_6D_6 solution of $^i\text{BuAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (20.9mg, 0.04 mmol) and 4.2 μL MMA (0.04 mmol) were slowly added to this tube via pipet at room temperature. The mixture was allowed to react for 5 min at room temperature before the NMR spectra were recorded. Zwitterionic enolaluminate was generated as two isomers (E/Z = 8:2). Only the major isomer was analyzed.



^1H NMR (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) δ (ppm) = 7.29 (s, 4H, BHT-phenyl), 6.45 (d, 2H, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 1-H), 6.22 (d, 2H, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 2-H), 3.71 (s, 3H, 7-H), 2.85 (d, $^2J_{\text{PH}} = 7.0$ Hz, 2H, 5-H), 2.60 (q, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 2H, 3-H), 2.32 (s, 6H, BHT-Me), 1.90 (s, 3H, 6-H), 1.87 (s, 36H, BHT- t Bu), 1.37 (d, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 6.4$ Hz, 6H, CH_3 of t Bu), 1.00 (d, $^3J_{\text{PH}} = 14.1$ Hz, 18H, t Bu), 0.54 (t, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 3H, 4-H), CH_2 , CH of t Bu were not assigned due to the overlapping. ^{31}P $\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) δ (ppm) = 44.8 (s).

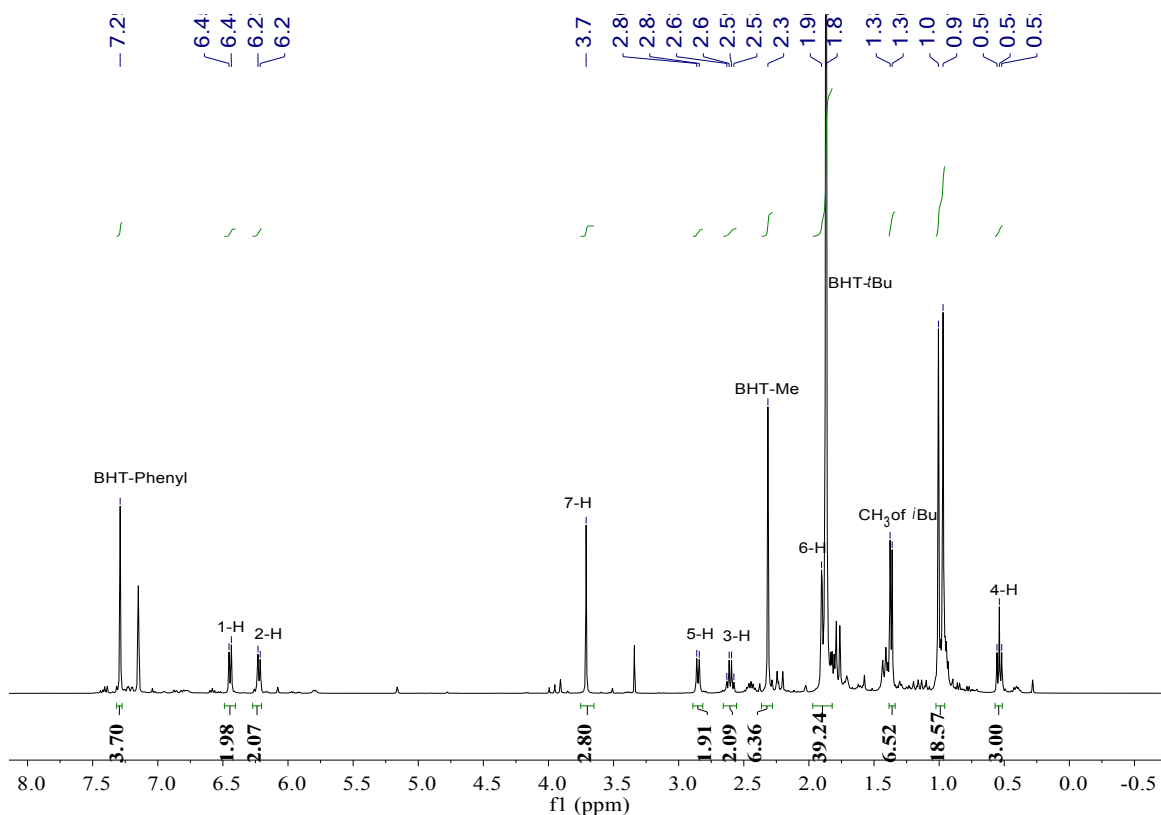


Figure S49. ^1H NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP- t Bu with t BuAl(BHT) $_2$ (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) (5:1 mixture of isomer, only the major isomer was marked for clarity).

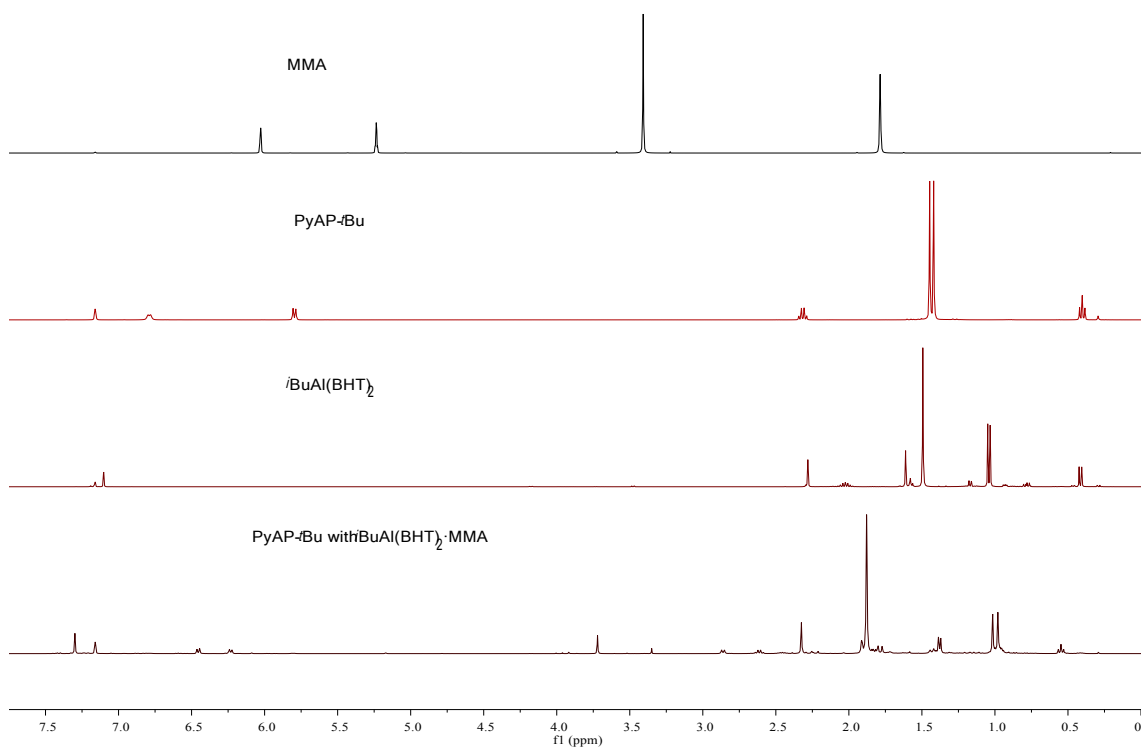


Figure S50. Stacked ^1H NMR spectra for reaction of PyAP-*t*Bu with *t*BuAl(BHT)₂·MMA (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

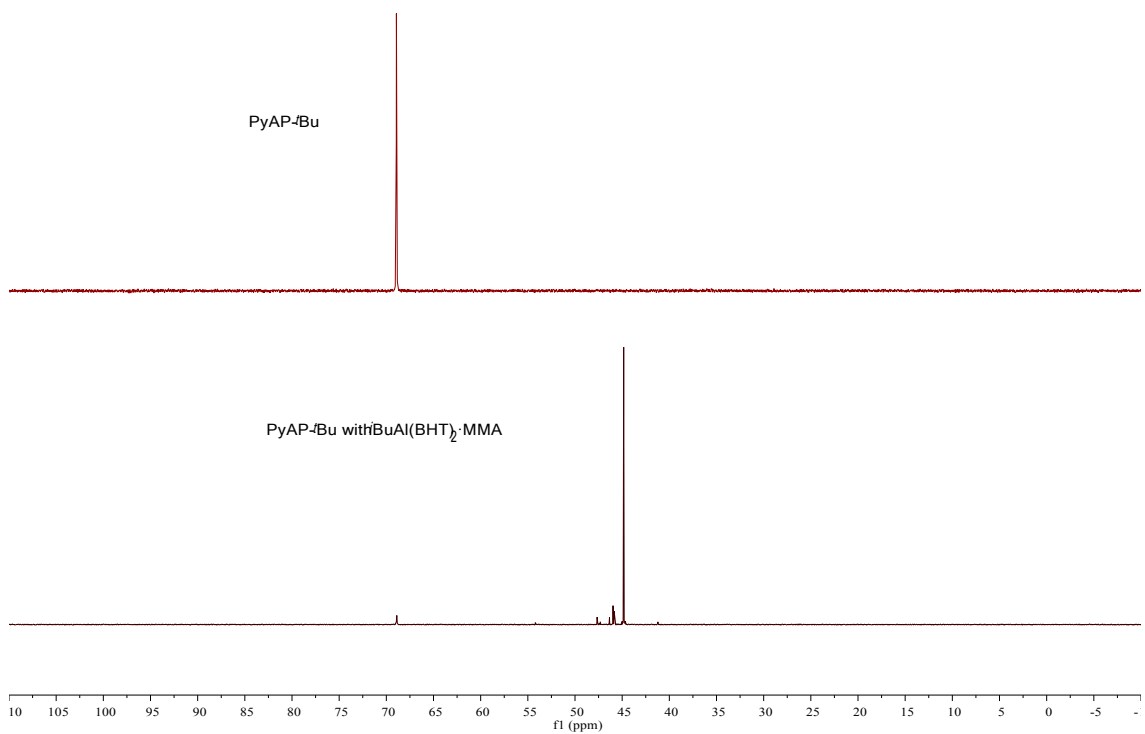
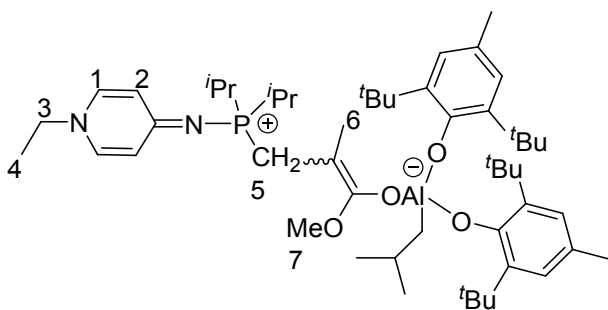


Figure S51. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-*i*Bu with $^i\text{BuAl}(\text{BHT})_2 \cdot \text{MMA}$ (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

2.17 Stoichiometric NMR Reaction of PyAP-*i*Pr with $^i\text{BuAl}(\text{BHT})_2 \cdot \text{MMA}$ in a 1:1 molar ratio

In an argon-filled glovebox, a NMR tube was charged with 9.5 mg (0.04 mmol) of PyAP-*i*Pr and 0.3 mL of C_6D_6 . A 0.3 mL C_6D_6 solution of $^i\text{BuAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (20.9 mg, 0.04 mmol) and 4.2 μL MMA (0.04 mmol) were slowly added to this tube via pipet at room temperature. The mixture was allowed to react for 5 min at room temperature before the NMR spectra were recorded. Zwitterionic enolaluminates were generated as two isomers (E/Z = 10:1). Only the major isomer was analyzed.



^1H NMR (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) δ (ppm) = 7.31 (s, 4H, BHT-phenyl), 6.41 (d, 2H, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 1-H), 6.12 (d, 2H, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 6.3$ Hz, 2-H), 3.61 (s, 3H, 7-H), 2.60 (q, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 2H, 3-H), 2.39 (d, $^2J_{\text{PH}} = 9.1$ Hz, 2H, 5-H), 2.32 (s, 6H, BHT-Me), 2.13 (m, 2H, CH of *i*Pr), 1.87 (s, 36H, BHT-*t*Bu), 1.82 (s, 3H, 6-H), 1.37 (m, 7H, CH_3 and CH of *i*Bu), 0.90 (m, 16H, *i*Pr and CH_2 of *i*Bu), 0.51 (t, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 3H, 4-H). $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) δ (ppm) = 42.5 (s).

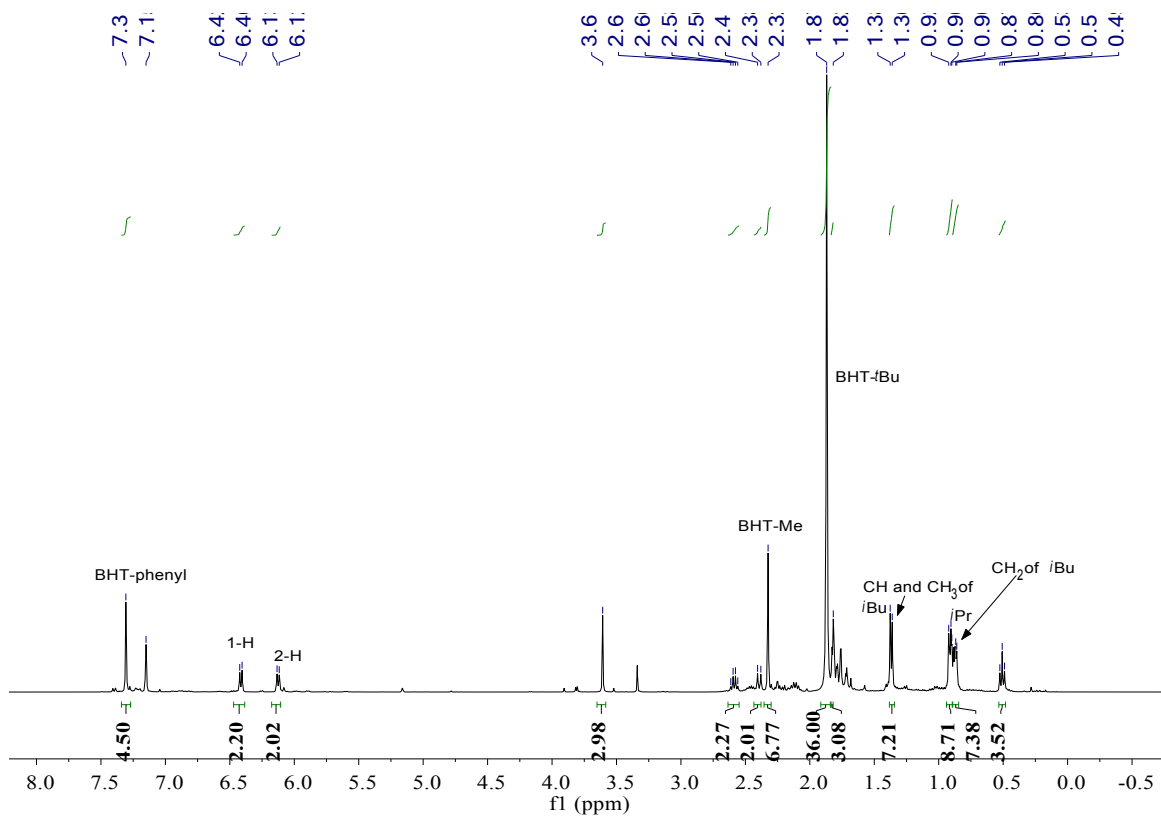


Figure S52. ^1H NMR spectrum for reaction of $\text{PyAP-}^i\text{Pr}$ with $^i\text{BuAl}(\text{BHT})_2\cdot\text{MMA}$ (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) (10:1 mixture of isomer, only the major isomer was marked for clarity).

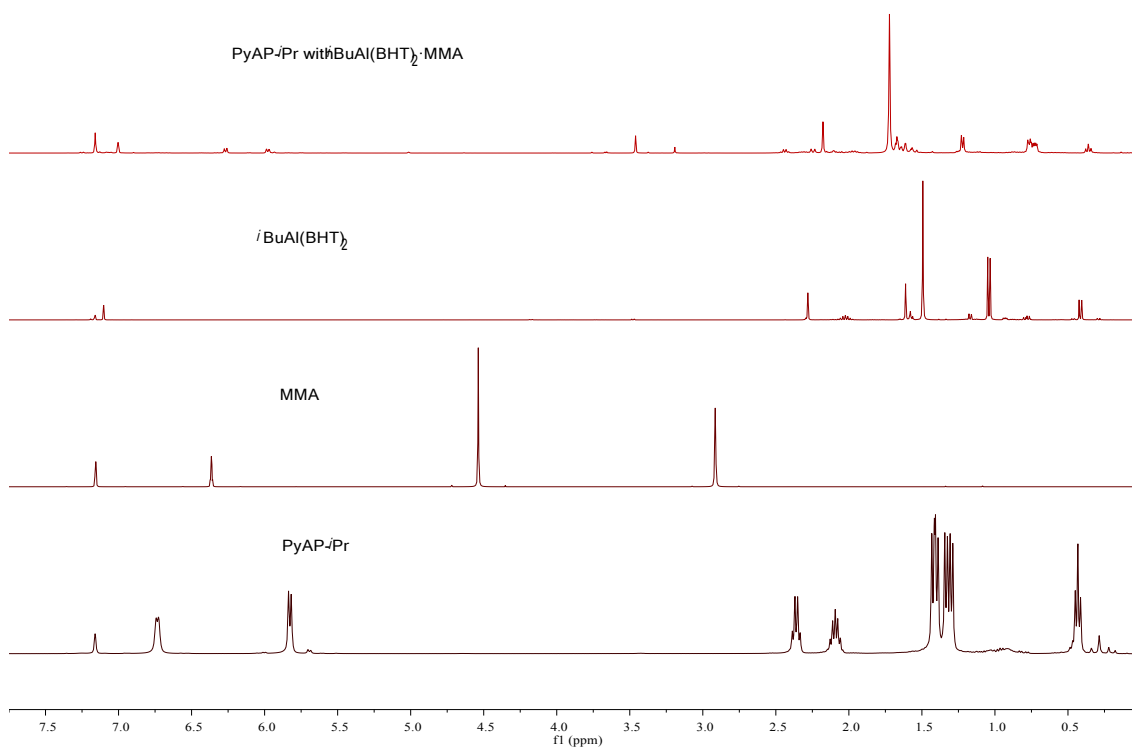


Figure S53. Stacked ¹H NMR spectra for reaction of PyAP-*i*Pr with ⁱBuAl(BHT)₂·MMA (400 MHz, C₆D₆, 298 K)

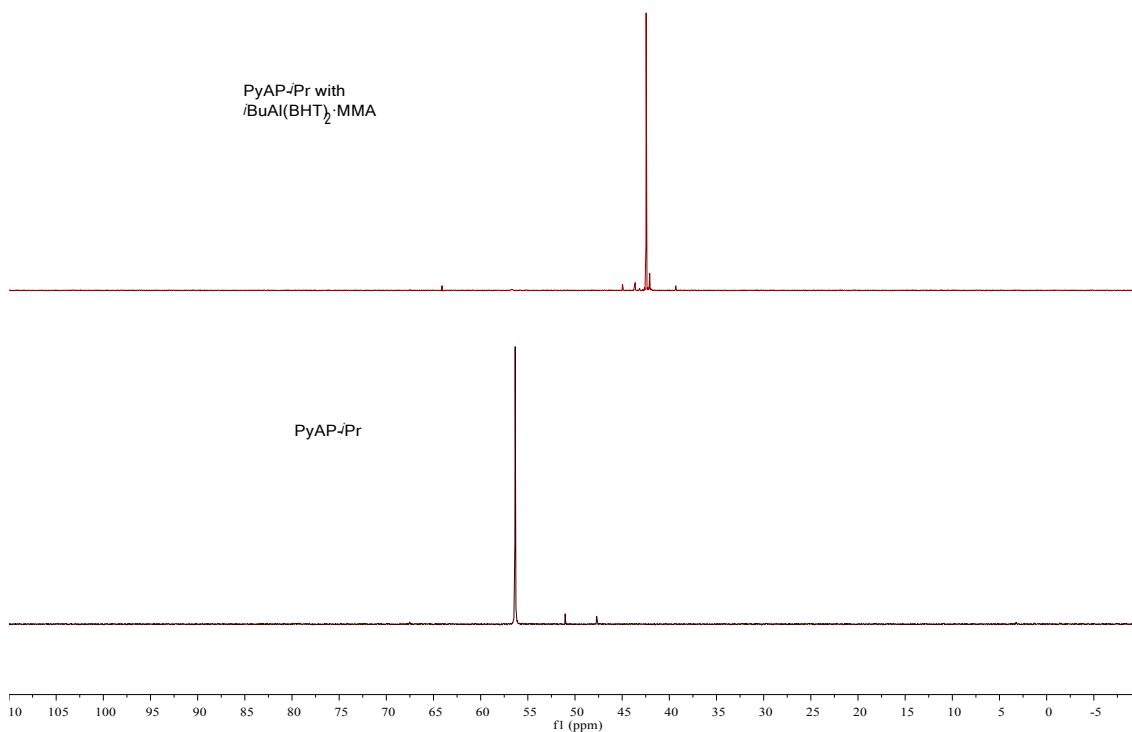
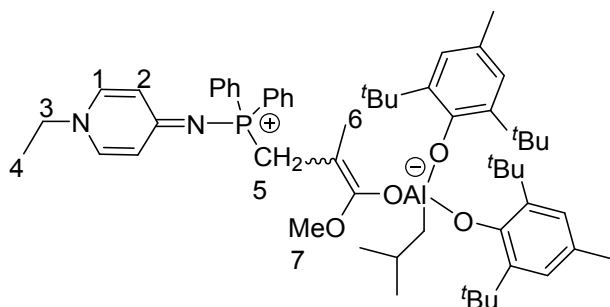


Figure S54. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-*i*Pr with $i\text{BuAl}(\text{BHT})_2 \cdot \text{MMA}$ (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

2.18 Stoichiometric NMR Reaction of PyAP-Ph with $i\text{BuAl}(\text{BHT})_2 \cdot \text{MMA}$ in a 1:1 molar ratio

In an argon-filled glovebox, a NMR tube was charged with 12.3 mg (0.04 mmol) of P^iPh_2 and 0.3 mL of C_6D_6 . A 0.3 mL C_6D_6 solution of $i\text{BuAl}(\text{BHT})_2$ (20.9 mg, 0.04 mmol) and 4.2 μL MMA (0.04 mmol) were slowly added to this tube via pipet at room temperature. The mixture was allowed to react for 5 min at room temperature before the NMR spectra were recorded. Zwitterionic enolaluminate was generated as two isomers (E/Z = 5:3). Only the major isomer was analyzed.



^1H NMR (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) δ (ppm) = 7.26 (s, 4H, BHT-phenyl), 7.06 (m, 10H, Ph), 6.33 (d, 2H, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 1-H), 6.07 (d, 2H, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 6.3$ Hz, 2-H), 3.40 (s, 3H, 7-H), 2.53 (q, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 2H, 3-H), 2.31 (s, 6H, BHT-Me), 2.26 (d, $^2J_{\text{PH}} = 9.1$ Hz, 2H, 5-H), 1.84 (s, 39H, BHT- t Bu), 1.72 (s, 3H, 6-H), 1.30 (m, 7H, CH and CH_3 of t Bu), 0.48 (t, $^3J_{\text{HH}} = 7.3$ Hz, 3H, 4-H), CH_2 of t Bu were not assigned due to the overlapping. ^{31}P $\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) δ (ppm) = 13.4 (s).

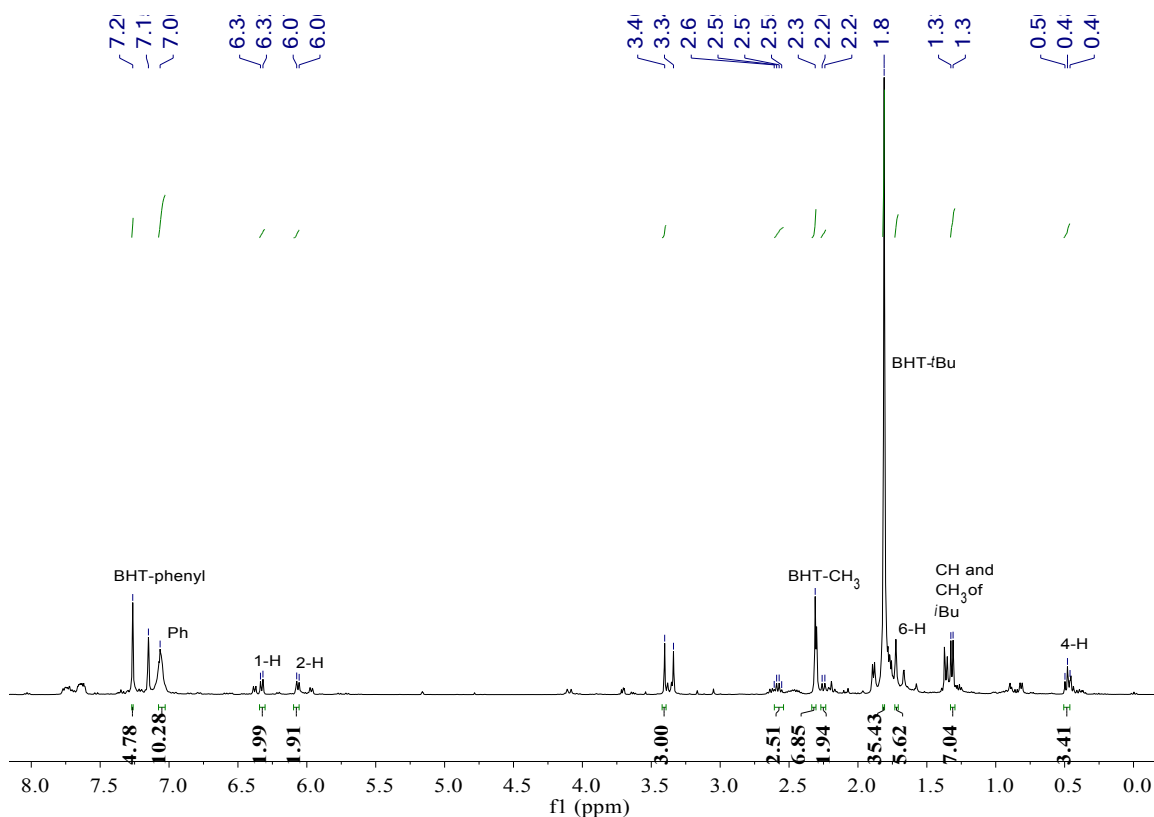


Figure S55. ^1H NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-Ph with t BuAl(BHT) $_2$ ·MMA (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K) (5:3 mixture of isomer, only the major isomer was marked for clarity).

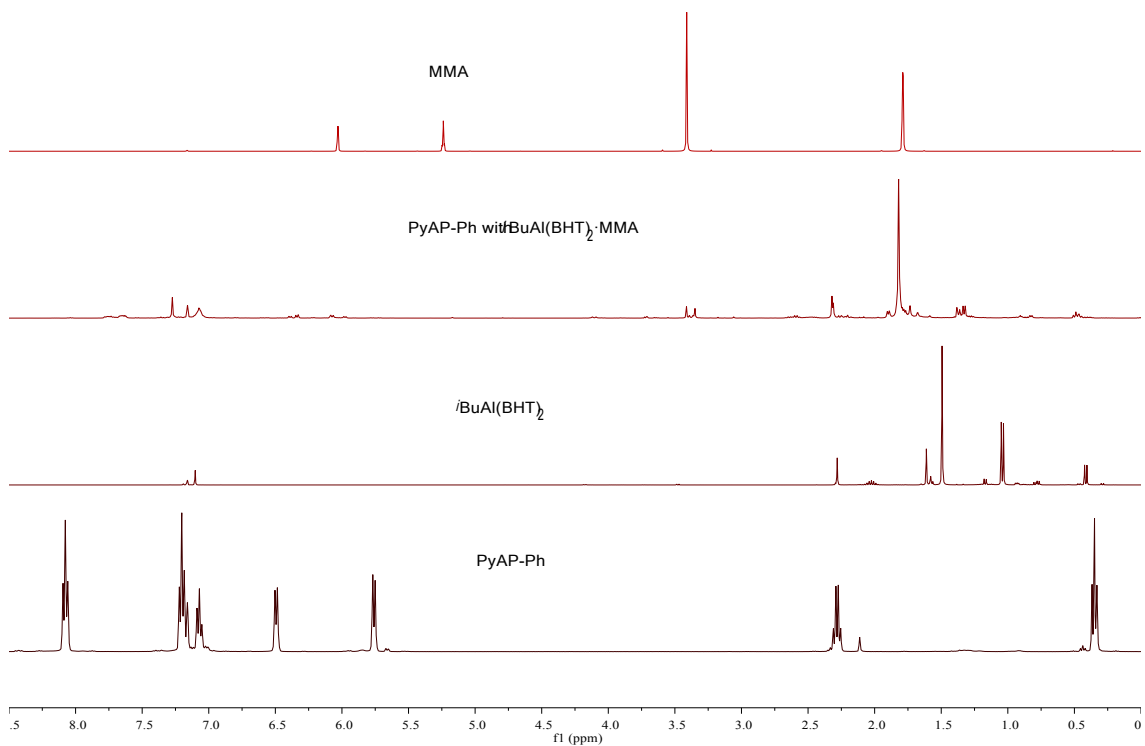


Figure S56. Stacked ^1H NMR spectra for reaction of PyAP-Ph with $t\text{BuAl(BHT)}_2 \cdot \text{MMA}$ (400 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

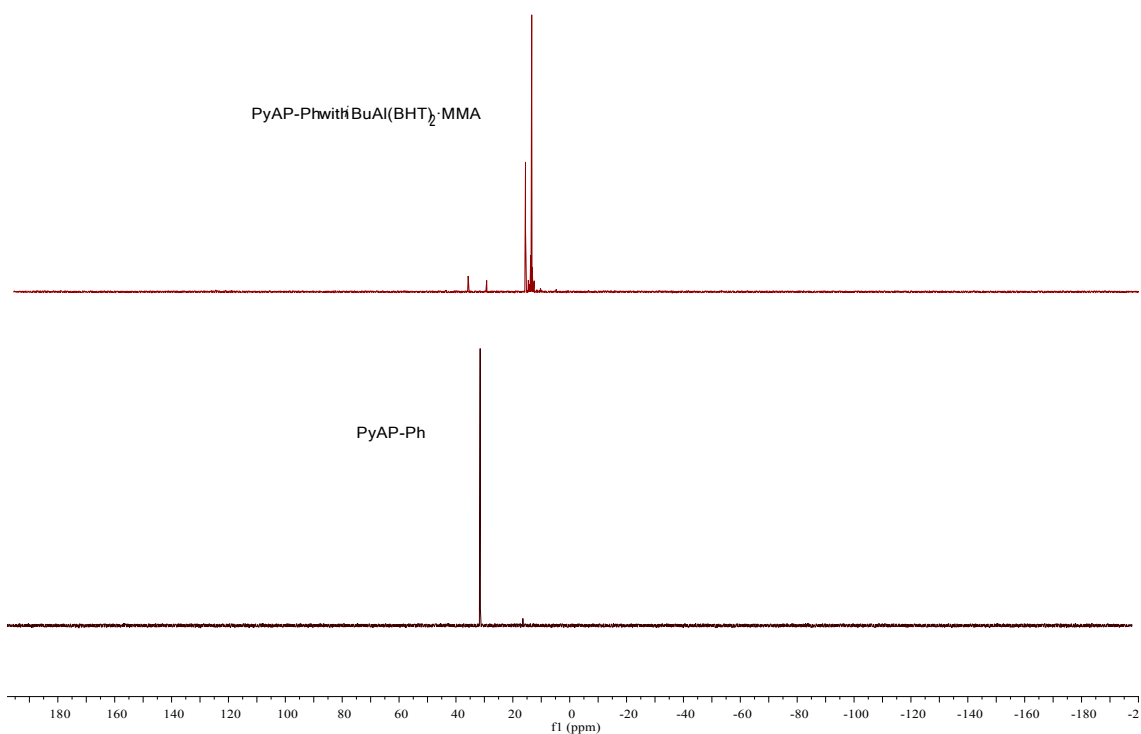


Figure S57. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum for reaction of PyAP-Ph with $t\text{BuAl}(\text{BHT})_2\cdot\text{MMA}$ (162 MHz, C_6D_6 , 298 K)

3. Additional Polymerization Data

Table S1 Control Experiments of MMA Polymerization Catalyzed by PyAPs

Run ^a	LB	Conv. ^b (%)	M_n^c ($\text{g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$)	$M_{n(\text{calcd})}$ ($\text{g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$)	\bar{D} (M_w/M_n)
1	PyAP- $t\text{Bu}$	0	-	-	-
2	PyAP-Cy	0	-	-	-
3	PyAP- $i\text{Pr}$	0	-	-	-
4	PyAP-Ph	0	-	-	-

^aCondition: The polymerization was carried out at ambient temperature in 4.6 mL of toluene using the following procedure: for a 200 MMA/1 LB molar ratio, $[\text{MMA}]_0 =$

0.941 M (4.8 mmol) and [LB]₀ = 9.4 mM (0.048 mmol).

Table S2 Different Procedures in MMA Polymerization Catalyzed by PyAP-*i*Pr and Organoaluminium Lewis Acids

Ru n ^a	LB : LA:M	Con v. ^b (%)	selectivity			M _n ^c (g·mol ⁻¹)	M _n (calcd) (g·mol ⁻¹)	Đ (M _w / M _n)	I* ^d (%)
			rr	mr	m m				
1 ^e	1 : 2MeAl(BHT)) ₂ : 200	>99	64. 9	31. 8	3. 3	35000	20262	1.18	58
2 ^f	1 : 2MeAl(BHT)) ₂ : 200	>99	67. 1	29. 5	3. 4	45400	20262	1.30	45
3 ^e	1 : 2 ^{<i>i</i>} BuAl(BHT) ₂ : 200	>99	67. 6	29. 1	3. 3	31200	20262	1.21	65
4 ^f	1 : 2 ^{<i>i</i>} BuAl(BHT) ₂ : 200	>99	67. 6	29. 1	3. 3	39300	20262	1.20	52
5 ^e	1 : 2 ^{<i>i</i>} Bu ₂ Al(BHT) : 200	>99	60. 2	36. 1	3. 7	37900	20262	1.17	54
6 ^f	1 : 2 ^{<i>i</i>} Bu ₂ Al(BHT) : 200	>99	61. 7	34. 6	3. 7	39600	20262	1.21	51

^aCondition: The polymerization was carried out at ambient temperature in 4.6 mL of toluene using the following procedure: for a 200 MMA/1 LB/2 LA ratio, [MMA]₀ = 0.941

M (4.8 mmol) and $[LA]_0 = 2 [LB]_0 = 9.4 \text{ mM}$ (0.048 mmol). ^bMonomer conversions were measured by ¹H NMR. ^c M_n and \bar{D} determined by GPC relative to PMMA standards in THF. ^dInitiation efficiency (I^*)% = $M_{n(\text{calcd})}/M_{n(\text{exptl})} \times 100$, where $M_{n(\text{calcd})} = [M_w(\text{MMA})]([MMA]_0/[I]_0)(\text{conversion}) + M_w$ of chain end groups. e: procedure A: the LA and LB was premixed before the addition of MMA. f: procedure B: LA was premixed with MMA, followed by addition of LB.

Table S3 Low Molecular Weight PMMA Experiments Used for Maldi -TOF Measurements

Run ^a	LB : LA:M	Conv. ^b (%)	Maldi -TOF
1	1 PyAP- ^t Bu : 2MeAl(BHT) ₂ : 25	>99	Linear chain end (controlled and living)
2	1 PyAP- ^t Bu : 2 ^t BuAl(BHT) ₂ : 25	>99	Chain end capped with cyclization (controlled)
3	1 PyAP- ^t Bu : 2 ^t Bu ₂ Al(BHT) : 25	>99	Both Chain end capped with cyclization (major) and linear chain end (minor)
4	1 PyAP-Cy : 2MeAl(BHT) ₂ : 25	>99	Both Chain end capped with cyclization (minor) and linear chain end (major)(not controlled)
5	1 PyAP-Cy : 2 ^t BuAl(BHT) ₂ : 25	>99	Both Chain end

			capped with cyclization (major) and linear chain end (minor)
6	1 PyAP-Cy : 2 ^t Bu ₂ Al(BHT) : 25	>99	Chain end capped with cyclization (major) and unidentified species (minor)
7	1 PyAP- ⁱ Pr : 2MeAl(BHT) ₂ : 25	>99	Both Chain end capped with cyclization (minor) and linear chain end (major)
8	1 PyAP- ⁱ Pr : 2 ^t BuAl(BHT) ₂ : 25	>99	Only chain end capped with cyclization was observed
9	1 PyAP- ⁱ Pr : 2 ^t Bu ₂ Al(BHT) : 25	>99	Chain end capped with cyclization (major) and tiny amount of other species
10	1 PyAP- Ph : 2MeAl(BHT) ₂ : 25	>99	Only chain end capped with cyclization
11	1 PyAP- Ph : 2 ^t BuAl(BHT) ₂ : 25	>99	Chain end capped with cyclization

			(major) and unidentified species (minor)
12	1 PyAP-Ph : 2 ^t Bu ₂ Al(BHT) : 25	>99	Chain end capped with cyclization and unidentified species (minor)
13	1 PyAP- ^t Bu: 2Al(C ₆ F ₅) ₃ : 25	>99	Both Chain end capped with cyclization (major) and linear chain end (minor)

^aCondition: The polymerization was carried out at ambient temperature in 0.6 mL of toluene using the following procedure: for a 25 MMA/1 LB/2 LA ratio, [MMA]₀ = 0.936 M (0.6 mmol) and [LA]₀ = 2 [LB]₀ = 9.2 mM (0.048 mmol). ^bMonomer conversions measured by ¹H NMR. ^cM_n and Đ determined by GPC relative to PMMA standards in THF. ^dInitiation efficiency (I*)% = M_{n(calcd)}/M_{n(exptl)} × 100, where M_{n(calcd)} = [M_w(MMA)]([MMA]₀/[I]₀)(conversion) + M_w of chain end groups. A: procedure A. B: procedure B.

Table S4 MMA Polymerization by PyAP-^tBu/ MeAl(BHT)₂ LP in a molar ratio of MMA/PyAP-^tBu = 400/1

Run ^a	Time (min)	LB : LA : M	Conv. ^b (%)	M _n ^c (g·mol ⁻¹)	M _{n(calcd)} (g·mol ⁻¹)	Đ (M _w /M _n)	I* ^d (%)
1	1	1 PyAP- ^t Bu : 2MeAl(BHT) ₂ : 400	18	8700	7475	1.10	86

		1 PyAP- <i>t</i> Bu :					
2	2	2MeAl(BHT) ₂ : 400	25.9	10800	10639	1.22	99
		1 PyAP- <i>t</i> Bu :					
3	3	2MeAl(BHT) ₂ : 400	33.8	14000	13803	1.12	99
		1 PyAP- <i>t</i> Bu :					
4	4.5	2MeAl(BHT) ₂ : 400	39.1	16200	15925	1.13	98
		1 PyAP- <i>t</i> Bu :					
5	6	2MeAl(BHT) ₂ : 400	46.8	19100	19009	1.20	100
		1 PyAP- <i>t</i> Bu :					
6	8	2MeAl(BHT) ₂ : 400	57.1	21600	23134	1.25	107
		1 PyAP- <i>t</i> Bu :					
7	10	2MeAl(BHT) ₂ : 400	63	25900	25497	1.15	98
		1 PyAP- <i>t</i> Bu :					
8	12	2MeAl(BHT) ₂ : 400	70.6	29200	28540	1.17	98
		1 PyAP- <i>t</i> Bu :					
9	15	2MeAl(BHT) ₂ : 400	88.9	32000	35869	1.16	112
		1 PyAP- <i>t</i> Bu :					
10	20	2MeAl(BHT) ₂	100	40700	40314	1.19	99

: 400

^aCondition: The polymerization was carried out at ambient temperature in 9.2 mL of toluene using the following procedure: for a 400 MMA/1 LB/2 LA ratio, $[MMA]_0 = 0.936 \text{ M}$ (0.6 mmol) and $[LA]_0 = 2 [LB]_0 = 4.7 \text{ mM}$ (0.048 mmol). n.d.: not determined.

^bMonomer conversions measured by ¹H NMR. ^c M_n and \bar{D} determined by GPC relative to PMMA standards in THF. ^dInitiation efficiency (I^*)% = $M_{n(\text{calcd})}/M_{n(\text{exptl})} \times 100$, where $M_{n(\text{calcd})} = [M_w(\text{MMA})]([MMA]_0/[I]_0)(\text{conversion}) + M_w$ of chain end groups.

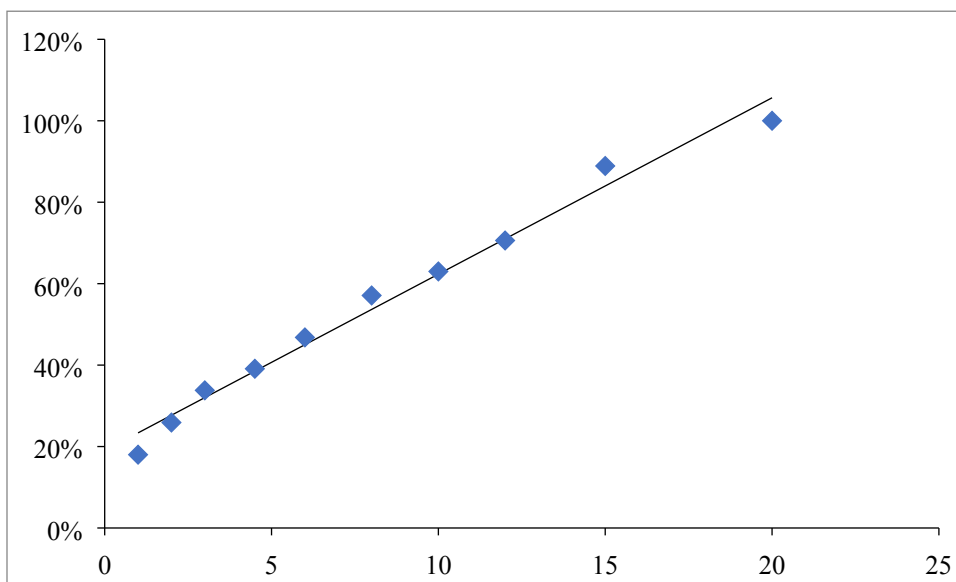


Figure S58. Plots of conversion of MMA vs time catalyzed by PyAP-tBu/MeAl(BHT)₂ at ambient temperature. Conditions: $[MMA]_0/[PyAP-tBu]_0/[MeAl(BHT)_2]_0 = 400:1:2$.

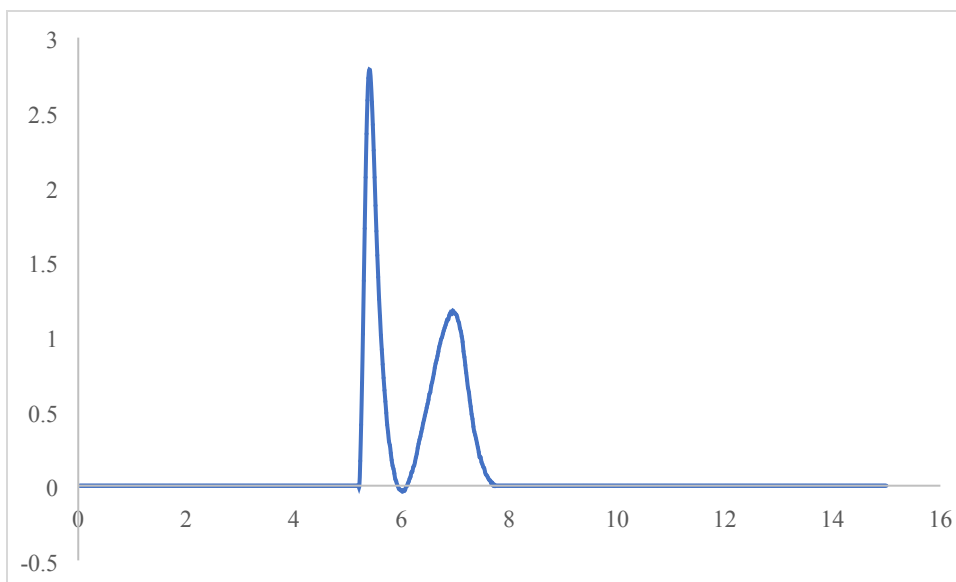


Figure S59. GPC traces of PMMA samples obtained by $[MMA]_0/[PyAP-tBu]/[MeAl(BHT)_2]_0 = 3200:1:2$.

Table S5 PyAP-*t*Bu/MeAl(BHT)₂ LP-catalyzed *t*BA Polymerization

Run ^a	LB : LA: M	Conv. ^b (%)	M_n^c (g·mol ⁻¹)	Đ (M_w/M_n)
1	1 : 2 : 200	100	40600	1.30

^aCondition: The polymerization was carried out at ambient temperature in 4.6 mL of toluene using the following procedure: for a 200 *t*BA /1 LB/2 LA ratio, $[tBA]_0 = 0.936$ M (4.8 mmol) and $[LA]_0 = 2 [LB]_0 = 9.4$ mM (0.048 mmol). ^bMonomer conversions measured by ¹H NMR. ^c M_n and Đ determined by GPC relative to PMMA standards in THF.

Table S6 Copolymerization of MMA by PyAP-*t*Bu/MeAl(BHT)₂ system

Run ^a	M1/M2/M3	Conv. ^b (%)	M_n^c (g·mol ⁻¹)	Đ (M_w/M_n)
1	200MMA/200 <i>t</i> BA	MMA:>99	22700	1.20
		<i>t</i> BA:>99	49500	1.50
2	200 <i>t</i> BA /200MMA	<i>t</i> BA:>99	-	

^aCondition: The polymerization was carried out at ambient temperature in 4.6 mL of toluene using the following procedure: for a 200 MMA /1 LB/2 LA ratio, $[MMA]_0 = 0.936$ M (4.8 mmol) and $[LA]_0 = 2 [LB]_0 = 9.4$ mM (0.048 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 20 min, then a 200 ^tBA /1 LB/2 LA ratio, ^tBA (4.8 mmol) was added. n.d.: not determined. ^bMonomer conversions measured by ¹H NMR. ^c M_n and \bar{D} determined by GPC relative to PMMA standards in THF. ^dInitiation efficiency (I^*)% = $M_{n(\text{calcd})}/M_{n(\text{exptl})} \times 100$, where $M_{n(\text{calcd})} = [M_w(\text{^tBA})]([\text{^tBA}]_0/[\text{I}]_0)(\text{conversion}) + M_w$ of chain end groups.

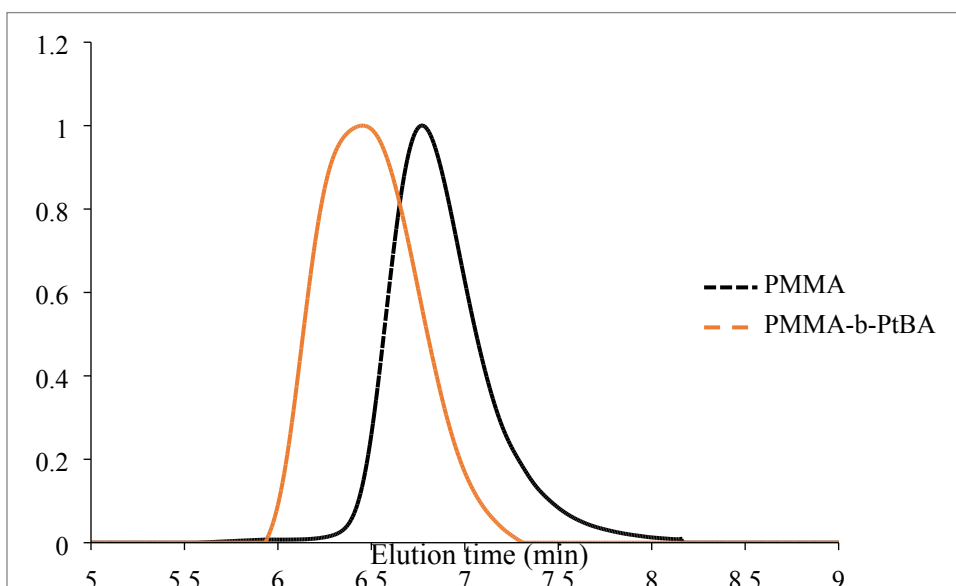


Figure S60 GPC traces of homopolymer (black), diblock copolymer (orange) produced from the sequential block copolymerization of MMA and ^tBA by PyAP-^tBu/MeAl(BHT)₂ in toluene at ambient temperature.

4 MALDI-TOF MS Spectra of Low M_w PMMA

MALDI-TOF MS spectra of low- M_w PMMA by PyAP-^tBu/Al(C₆F₅)₃

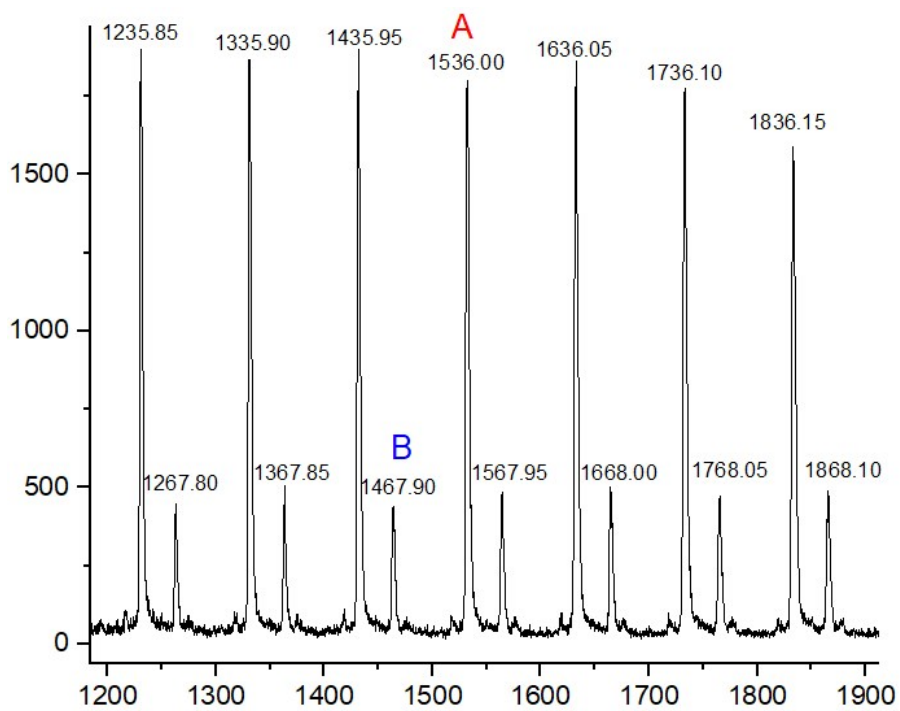
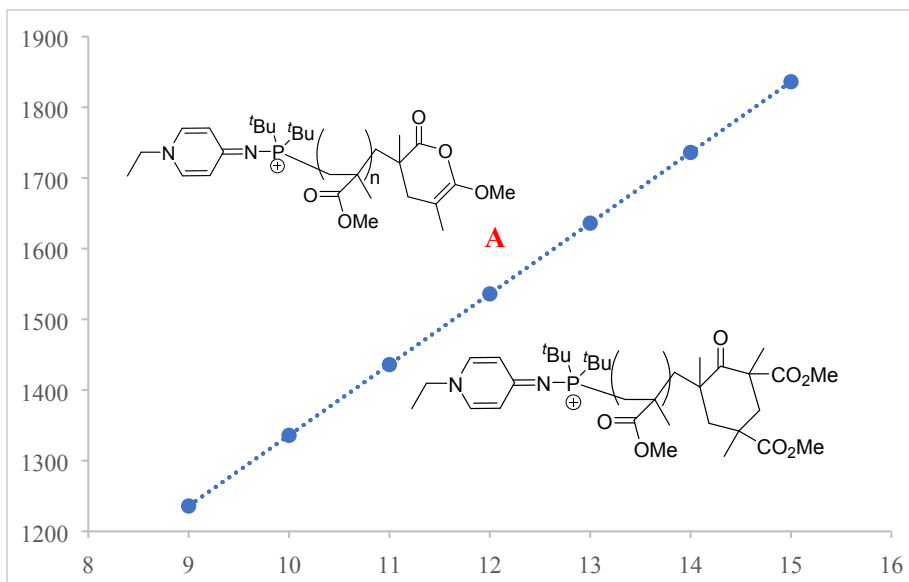


Figure S61. MALDI-TOF MS spectrum of the low- M_w PMMA sample produced by PyAP- t Bu/Al(C_6F_5)₃ in toluene at ambient temperature



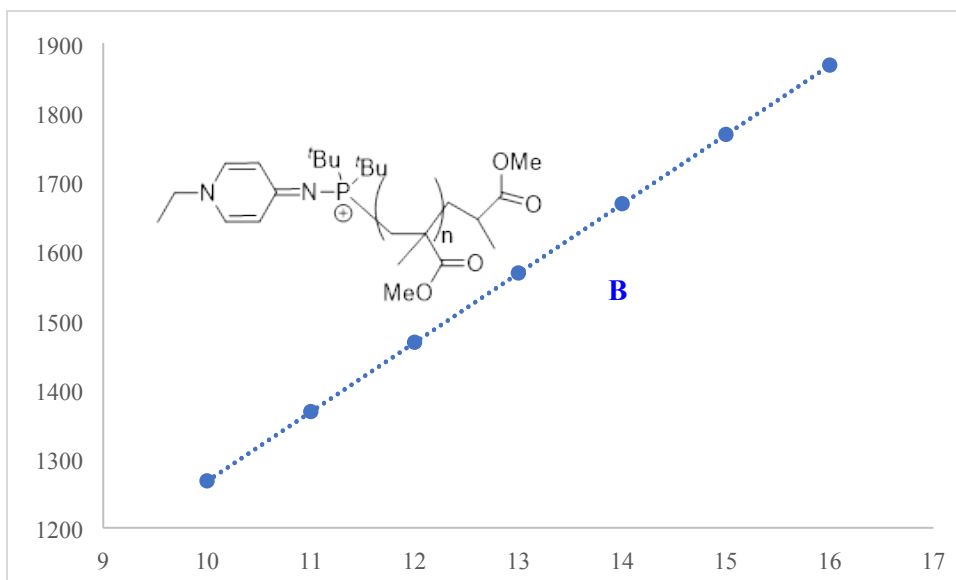


Figure S62. Plot of m/z values taken from Figure S61 vs the number of MMA repeat units (n) and the deduced corresponding polymer chain structure produced by PyAP- t Bu/ $Al(C_6F_5)_3$, upper: major peaks **A**, bottom: minor peaks **B**.

MALDI-TOF MS spectra of low- M_w PMMA by PyAP- t Bu/ $MeAl(BHT)_2$

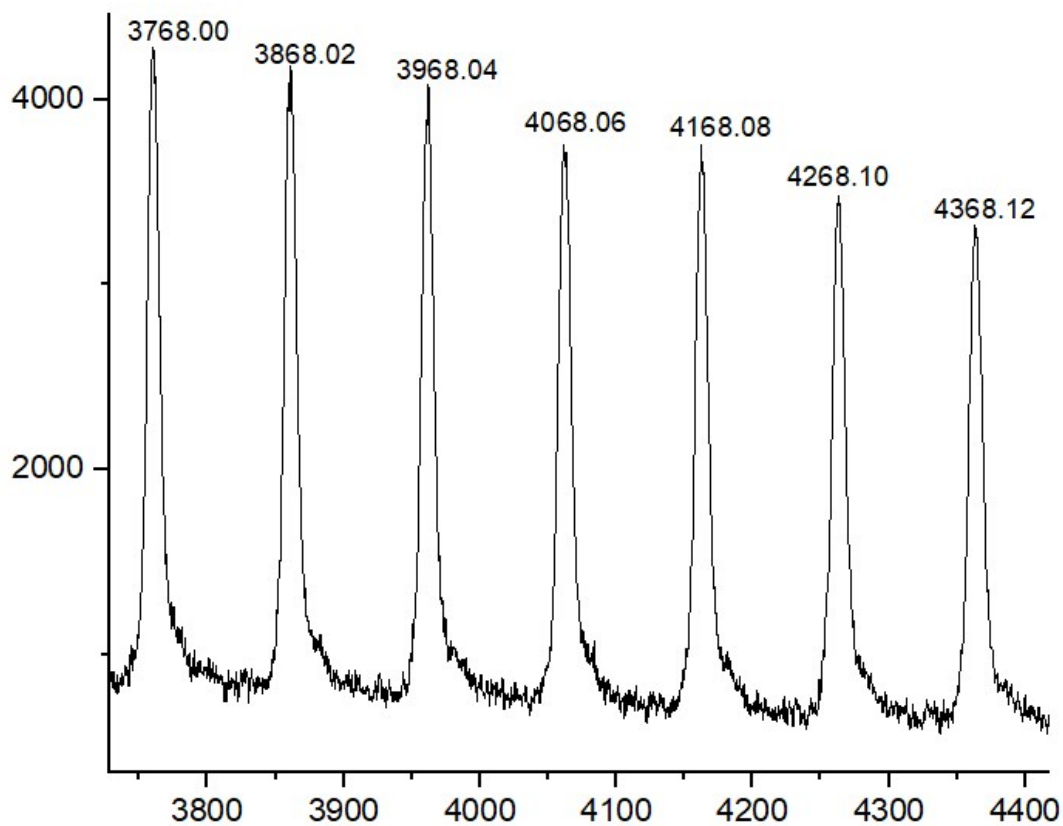


Figure S63. MALDI-TOF MS spectrum of the low- M_w PMMA sample produced by PyAP- t Bu/MeAl(BHT) $_2$ in toluene at ambient temperature

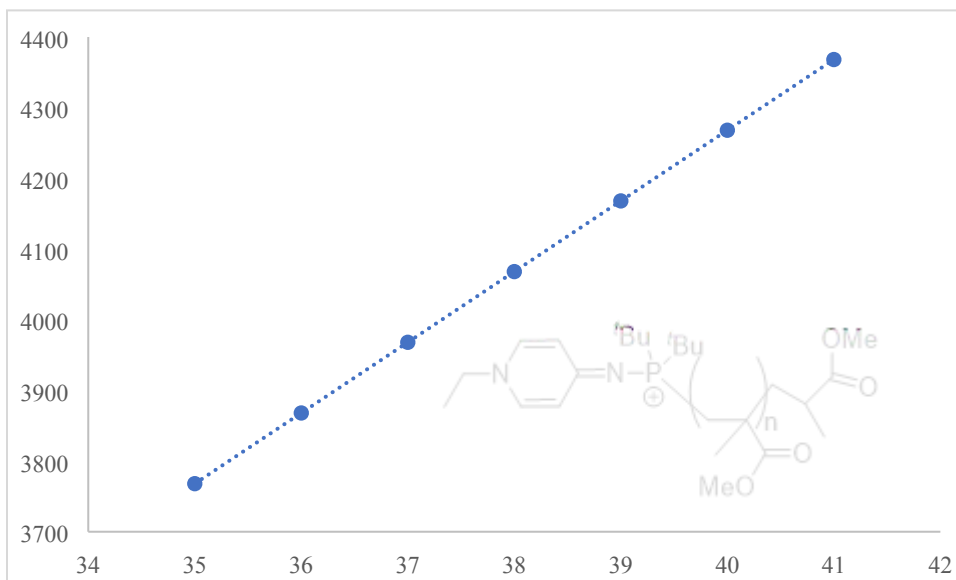


Figure S64. Plot of m/z values taken from Figure S63 vs the number of MMA repeat units (n) and the deduced corresponding polymer chain structure produced by PyAP- t Bu/MeAl(BHT) $_2$.

MALDI-TOF MS spectra of low- M_w PMMA by PyAP- t Bu/ t BuAl(BHT) $_2$

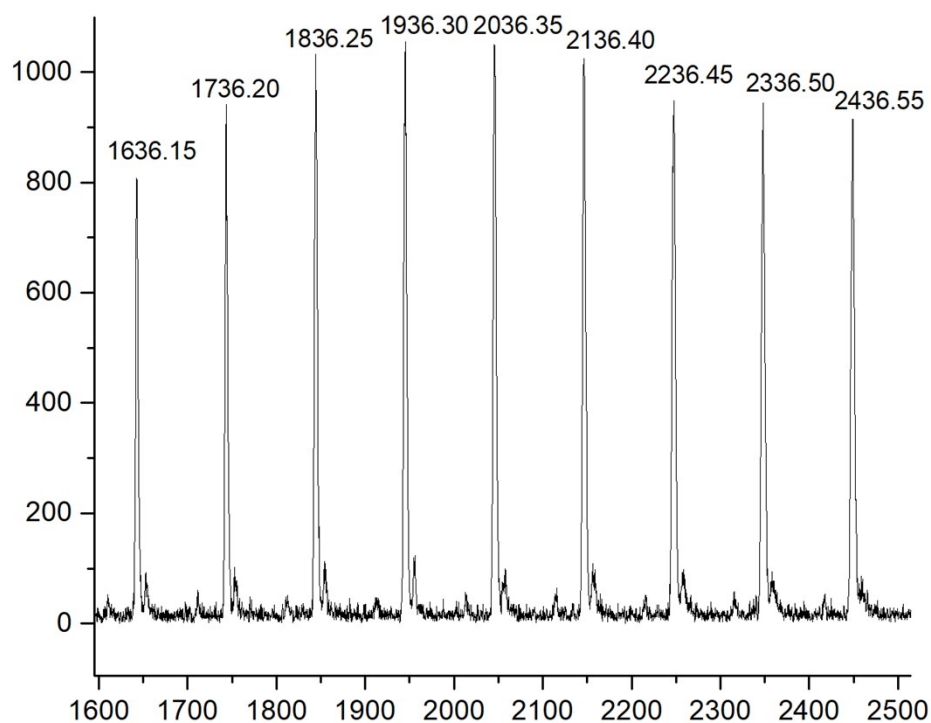


Figure S65. MALDI-TOF MS spectrum of the low- M_w PMMA sample produced by

PyAP-*t*Bu/*i*BuAl(BHT)₂ in toluene at ambient temperature

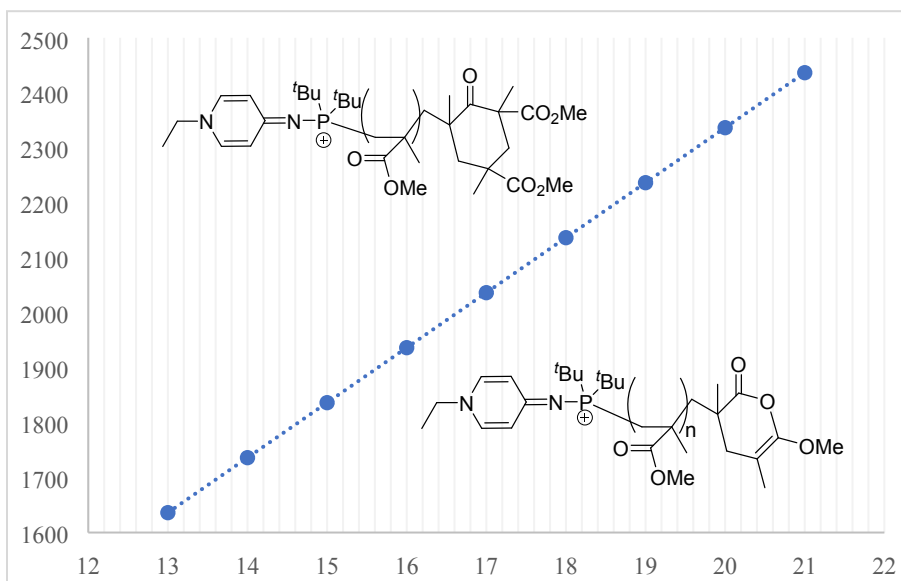


Figure S66. Plot of *m/z* values taken from Figure S65 vs the number of MMA repeat units (*n*) and the deduced corresponding polymer chain structure produced by PyAP-*t*Bu/*i*BuAl(BHT)₂.

MALDI-TOF MS spectra of low-*M_w* PMMA by PyAP-*t*Bu/*i*Bu₂AlBHT

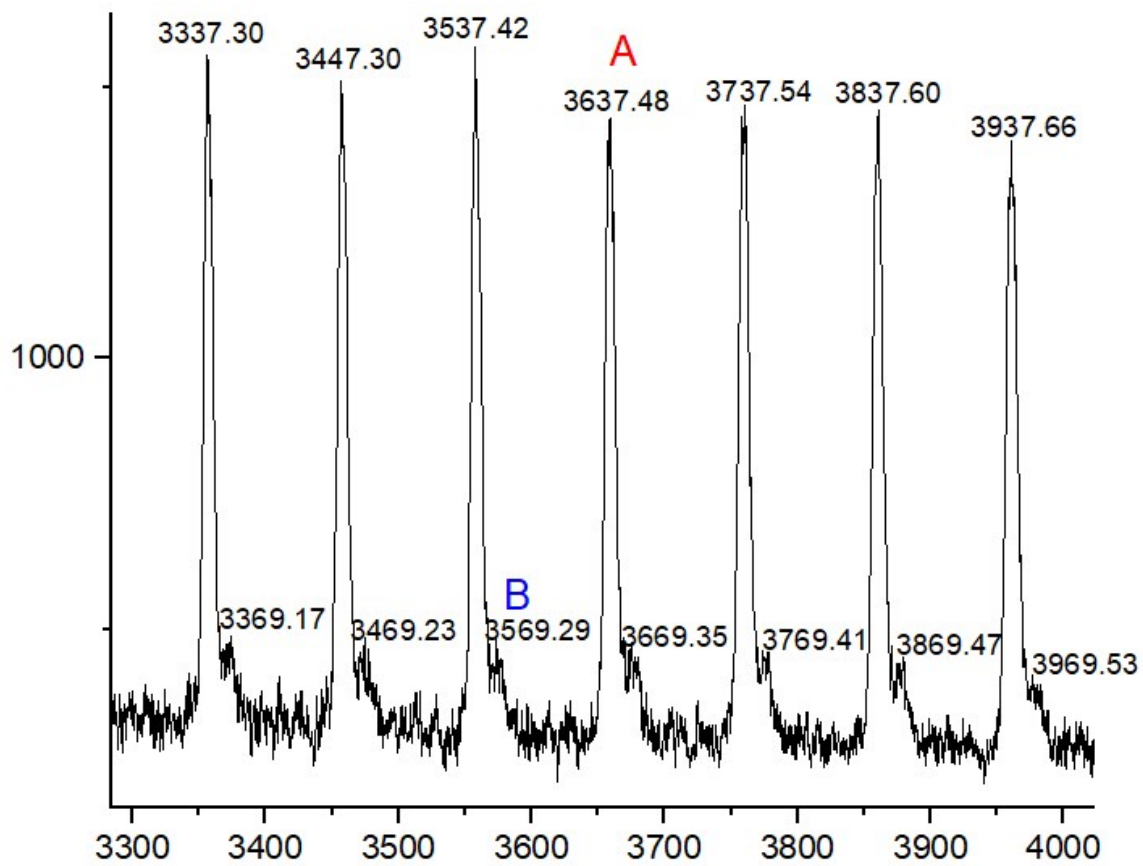
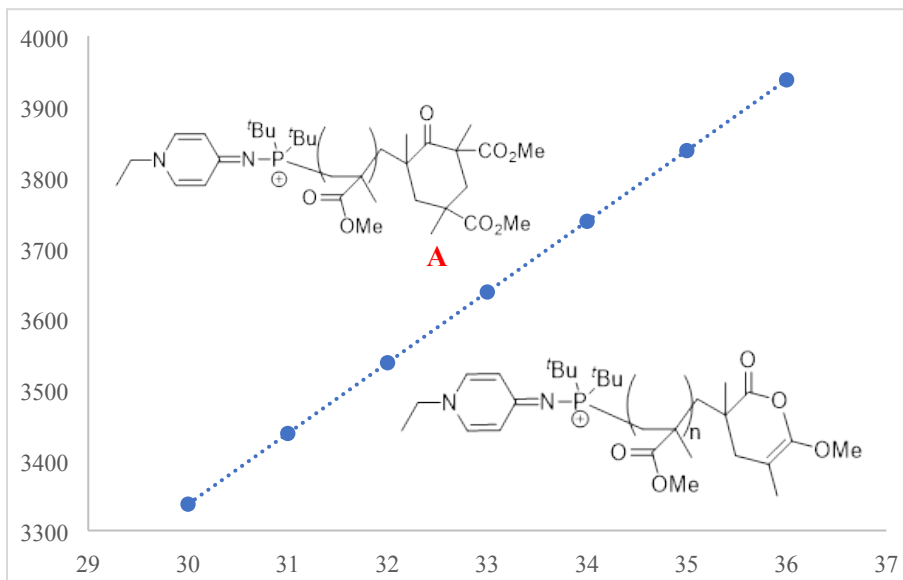


Figure S67. MALDI-TOF MS spectrum of the low- M_w PMMA sample produced by PyAP- t Bu/ t Bu₂AlBHT in toluene at ambient temperature



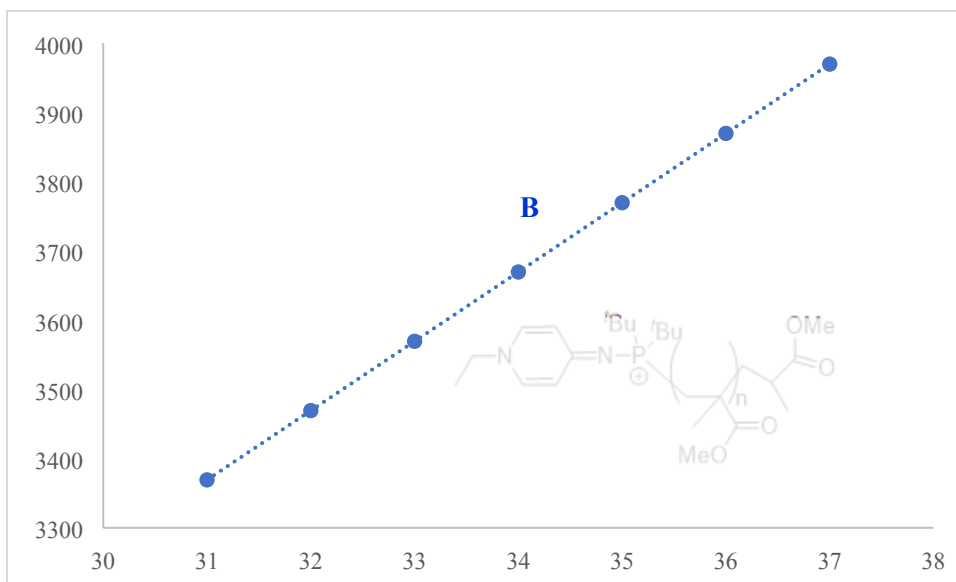


Figure S68. Plot of m/z values taken from Figure S67 vs the number of MMA repeat units (n) and the deduced corresponding polymer chain structure produced by PyAP- t Bu/ i Bu₂AlBHT, upper: major peaks (**A**), bottom: minor peaks (**B**).

MALDI-TOF MS spectra of low- M_w PMMA by PyAP-Cy/MeAl(BHT)₂

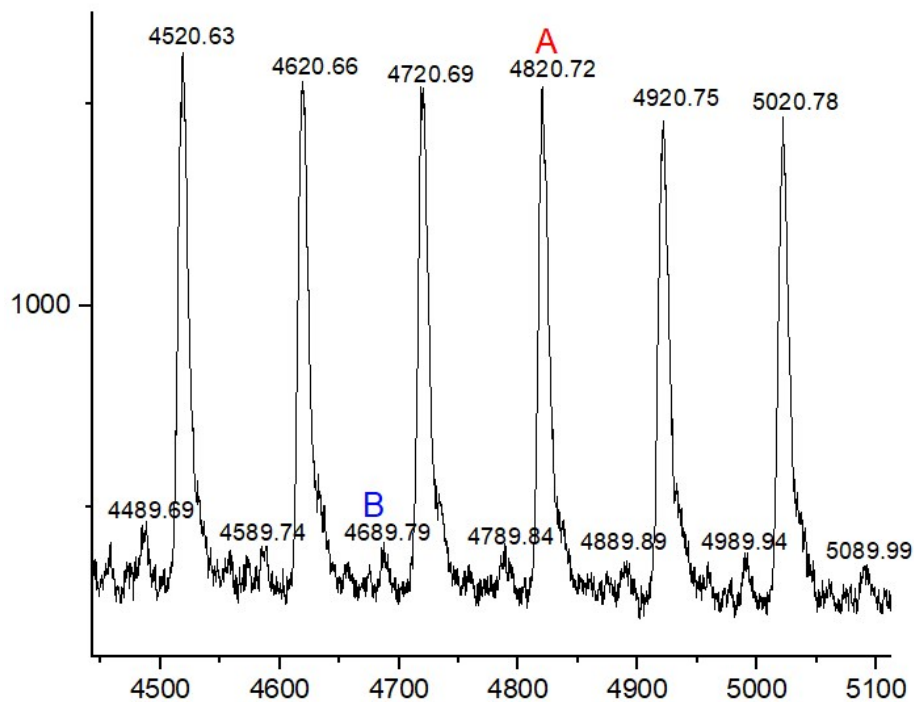


Figure S69. MALDI-TOF MS spectrum of the low- M_w PMMA sample produced by PyAP-Cy/MeAl(BHT)₂ in toluene at ambient temperature

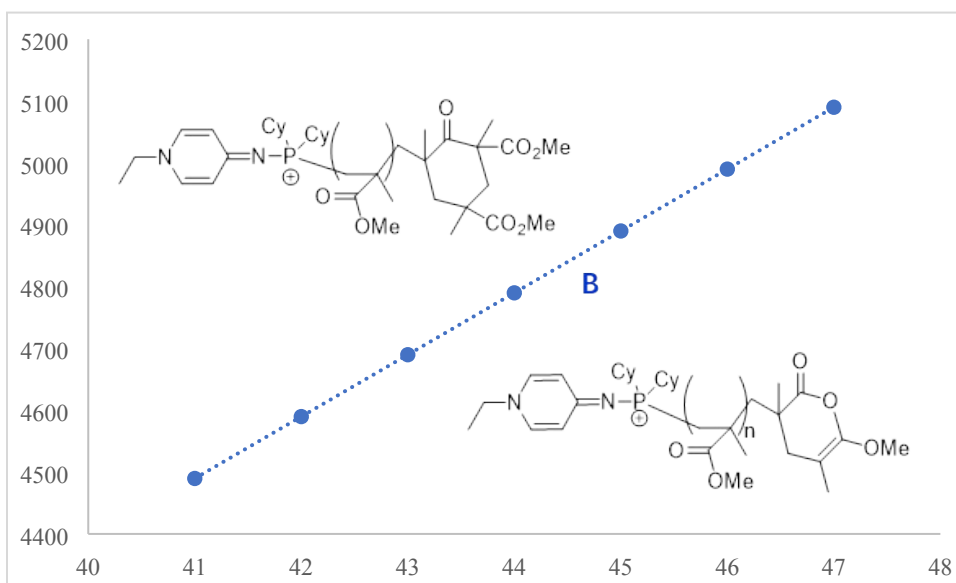
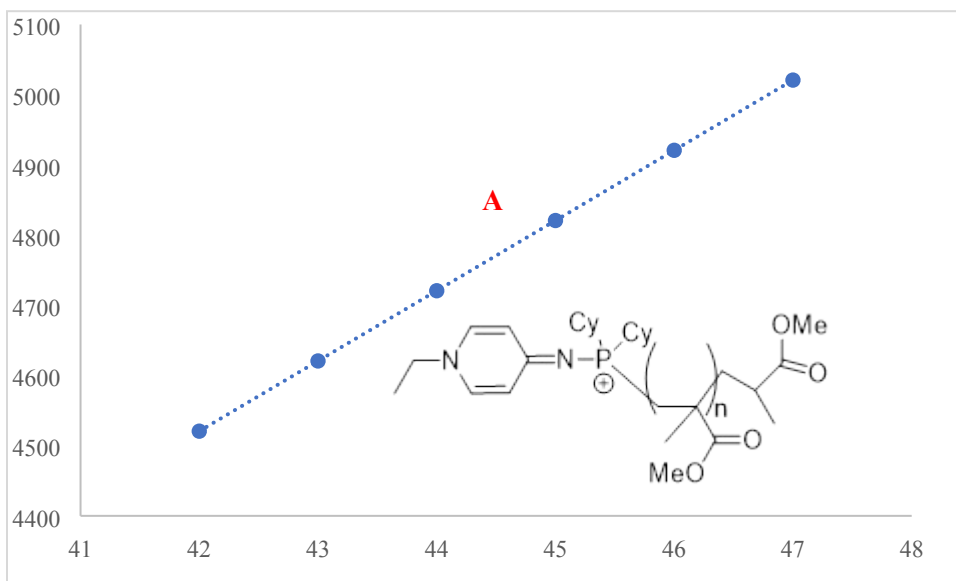


Figure S70. Plot of m/z values taken from Figure S69 vs the number of MMA repeat units (n) and the deduced corresponding polymer chain structure produced by PyAP-Cy/MeAl(BHT)₂, upper: major peaks (A), bottom: minor peaks (B).

MALDI-TOF MS spectra of low- M_w PMMA by PyAP-Cy/ⁱBuAl(BHT)₂

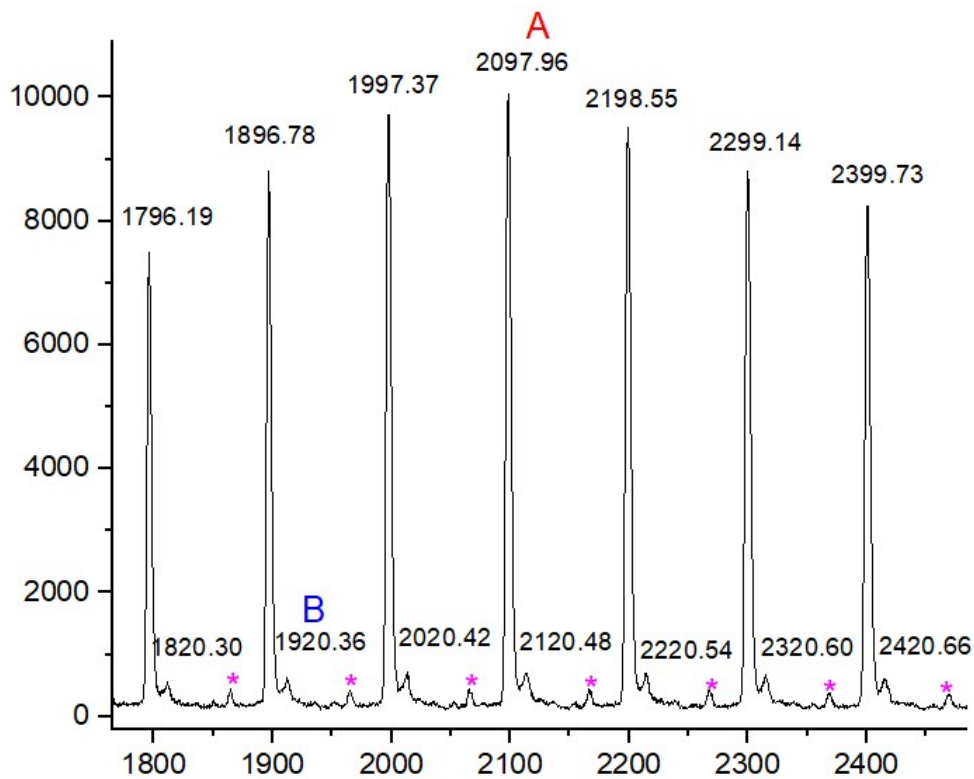
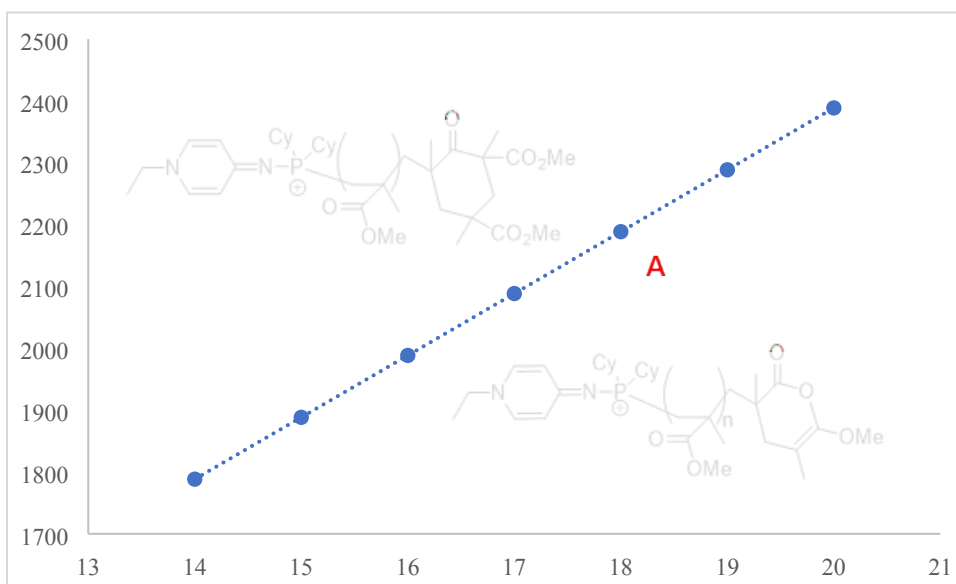
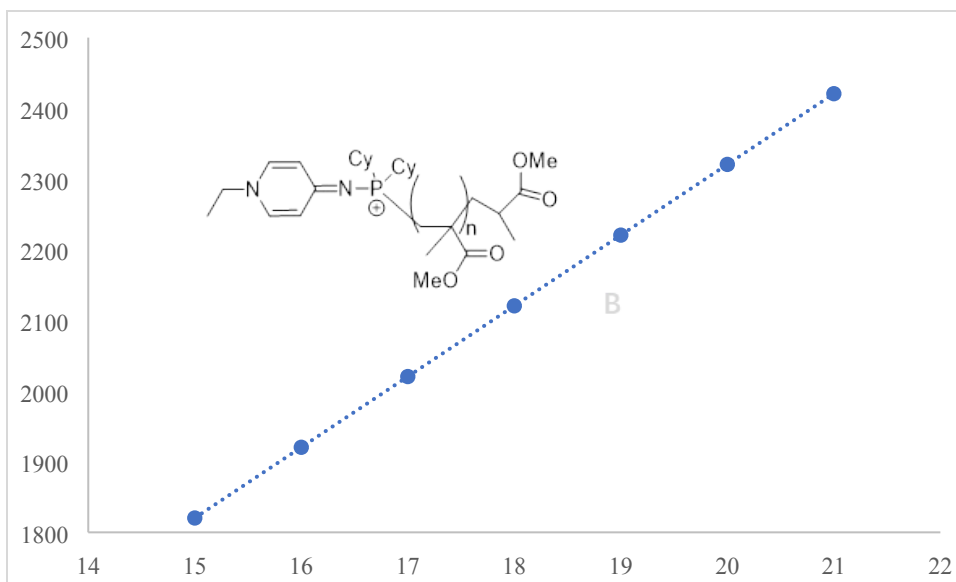


Figure S71. MALDI-TOF MS spectrum of the low- M_w PMMA sample produced by PyAP-Cy/ i BuAl(BHT) $_2$ in toluene at ambient temperature





Pink(*): unidentified species

Figure S72. Plot of m/z values taken from Figure S71 vs the number of MMA repeat units (n) and the deduced corresponding polymer chain structure produced by PyAP-Cy/ⁱBuAl(BHT)₂, upper: major peaks (A), bottom: minor peaks (B).

MALDI-TOF MS spectra of low-M_w PMMA by PyAP-Cy/ⁱBu₂Al(BHT)

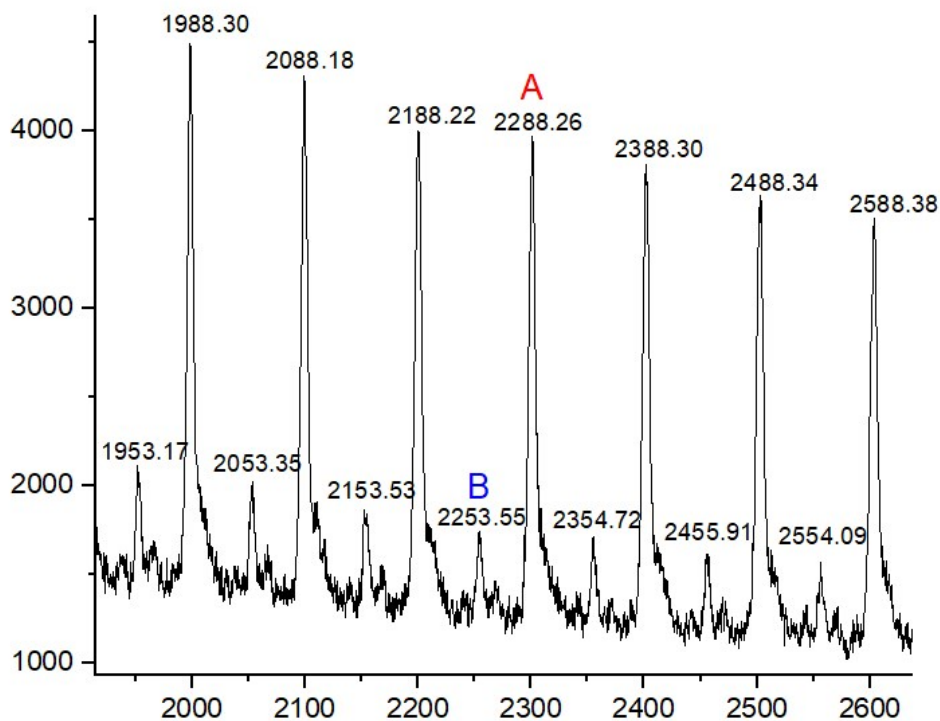


Figure S73. MALDI-TOF MS spectrum of the low-M_w PMMA sample produced by PyAP-Cy/ⁱBu₂Al(BHT) in toluene at ambient temperature

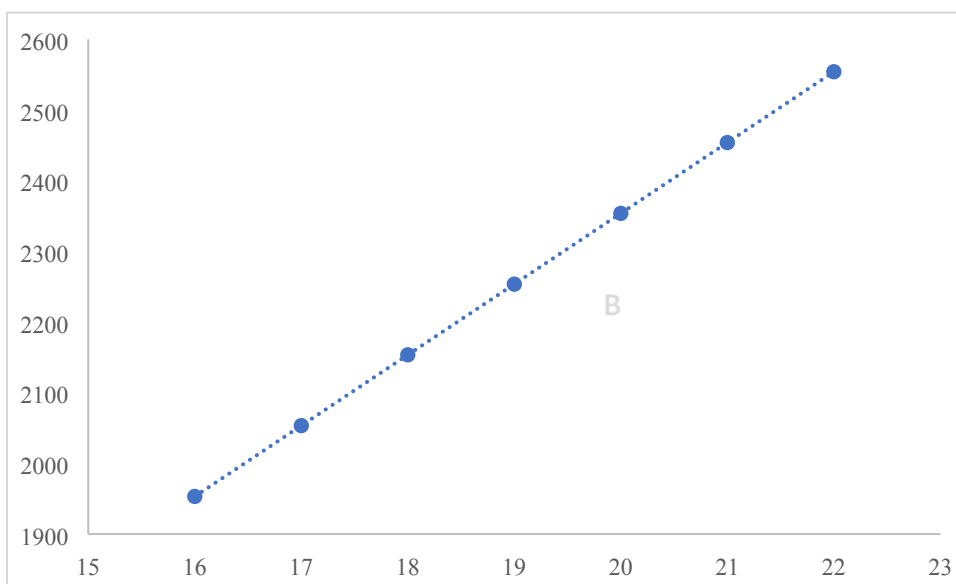
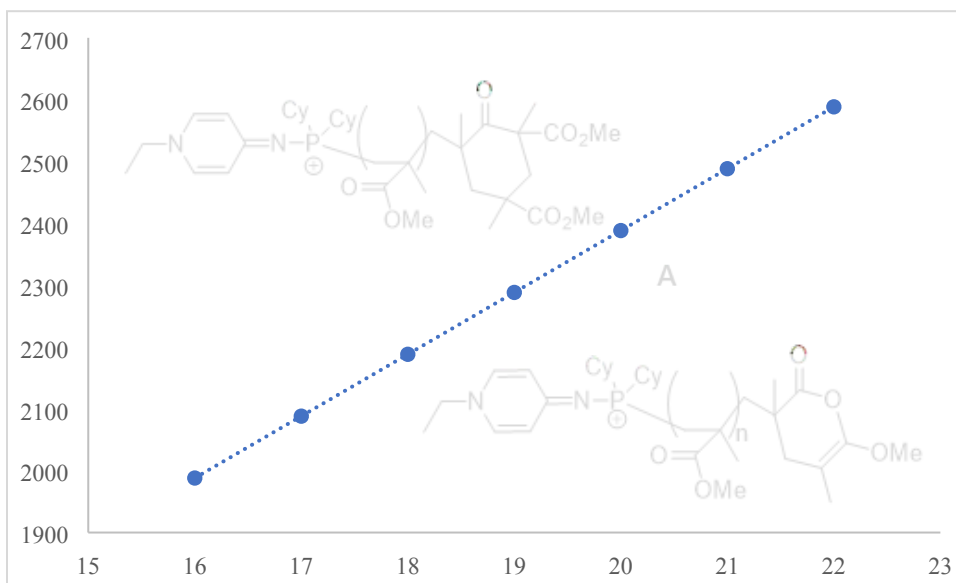


Figure S74. Plot of m/z values taken from Figure S73 vs the number of MMA repeat units (n) and the deduced corresponding polymer chain structure produced by PyAP-Cy/ i Bu₂Al(BHT), upper: major peaks (**A**), bottom: minor peaks (**B**). Species B was not identified.

MALDI-TOF MS spectra of low- M_w PMMA by PyAP- i Pr+MeAl(BHT)₂

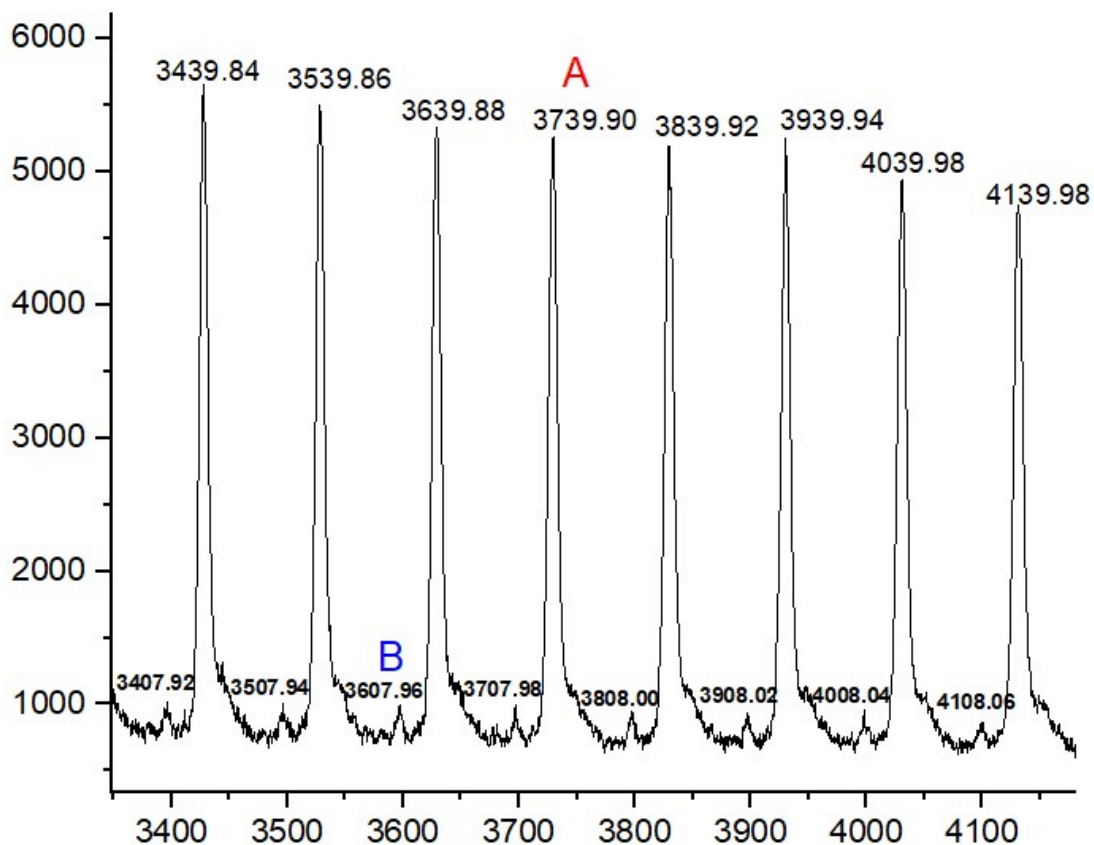
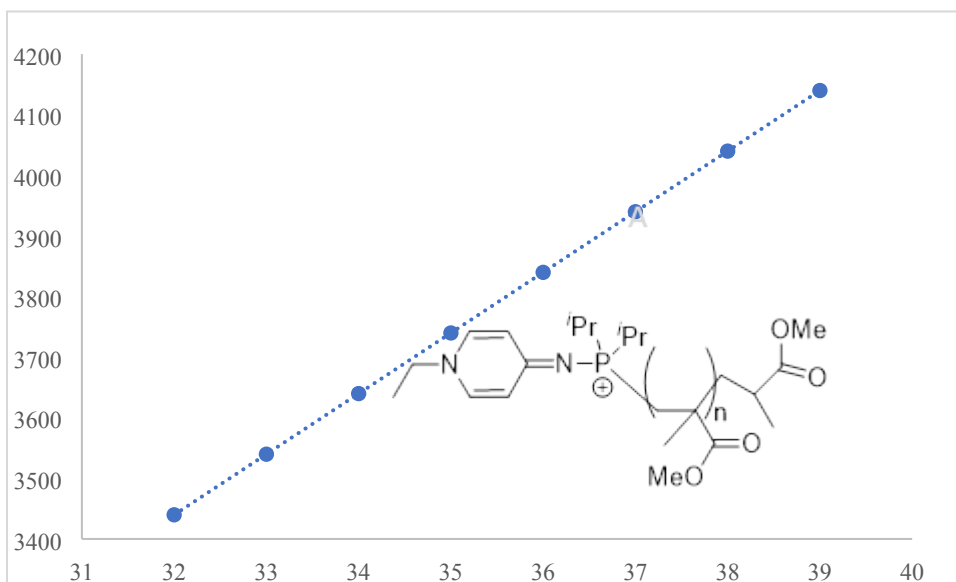


Figure S75. MALDI-TOF MS spectrum of the low- M_w PMMA sample produced by $\text{PyAP-}^i\text{Pr+MeAl(BHT)}_2$ in toluene at ambient temperature



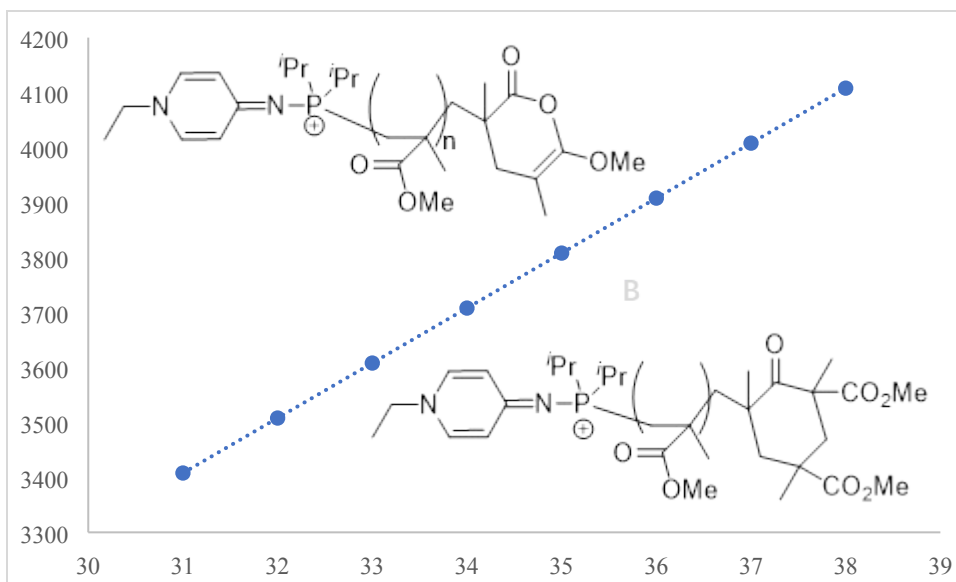


Figure S76. Plot of m/z values taken from Figure S75 vs the number of MMA repeat units (n) and the deduced corresponding polymer chain structure produced by PyAP-*i*Pr+MeAl(BHT)₂, upper: major peaks (A), bottom: minor peaks (B).

MALDI-TOF MS spectra of low-M_w PMMA by PyAP-*i*Pr+*i*BuAl(BHT)₂

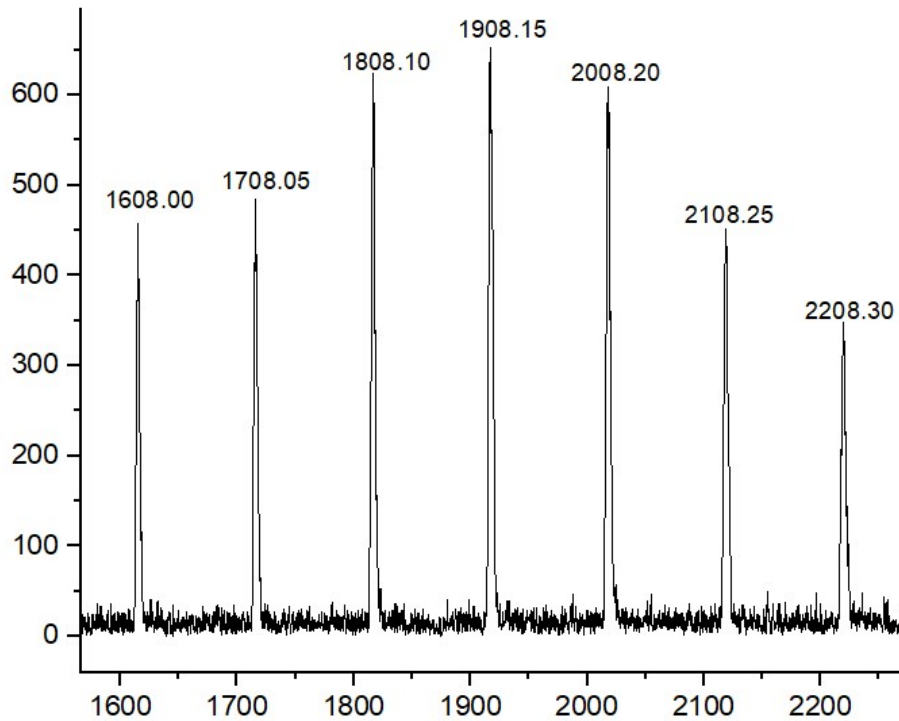


Figure S77. MALDI-TOF MS spectrum of the low-M_w PMMA sample produced by PyAP-*i*Pr+*i*BuAl(BHT)₂ in toluene at ambient temperature

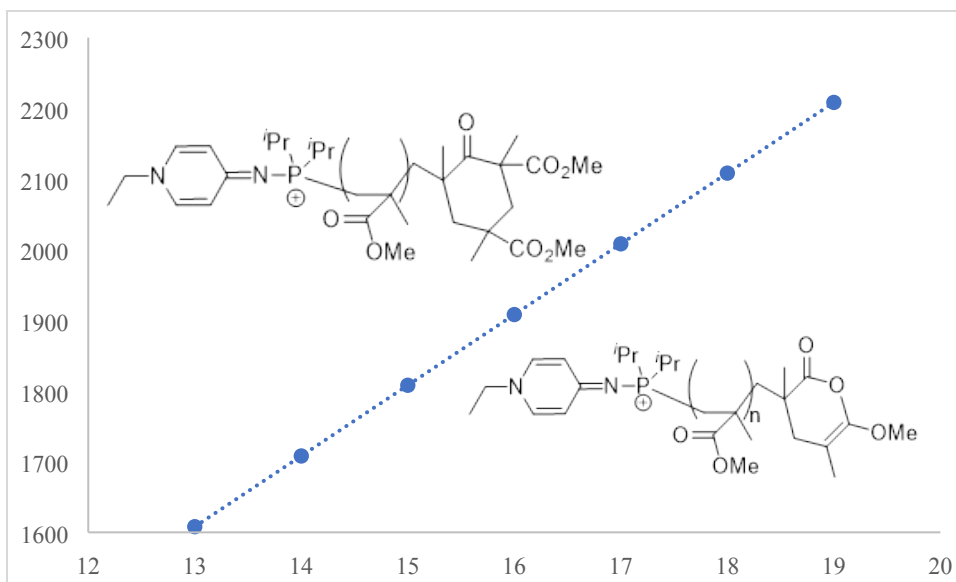


Figure S78. Plot of m/z values taken from Figure S77 vs the number of MMA repeat units (n) and the deduced corresponding polymer chain structure produced by PyAP- i Pr- t BuAl(BHT)₂

MALDI-TOF MS spectra of low- M_w PMMA by PyAP- i Pr- t Bu₂AlBHT

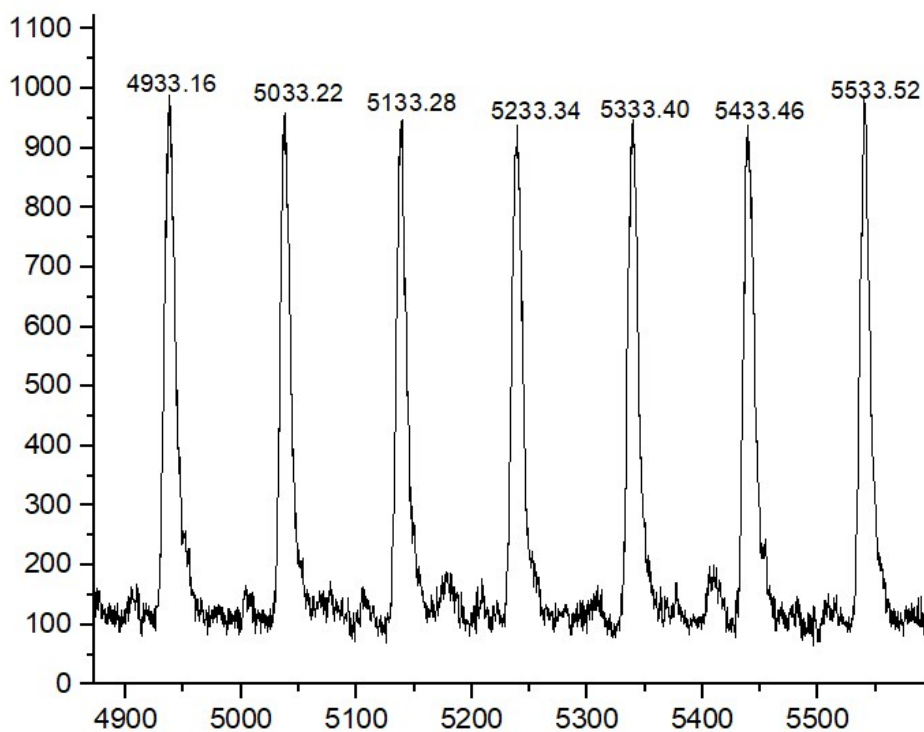


Figure S79. MALDI-TOF MS spectrum of the low- M_w PMMA sample produced by PyAP- i Pr- t Bu₂AlBHT in toluene at ambient temperature

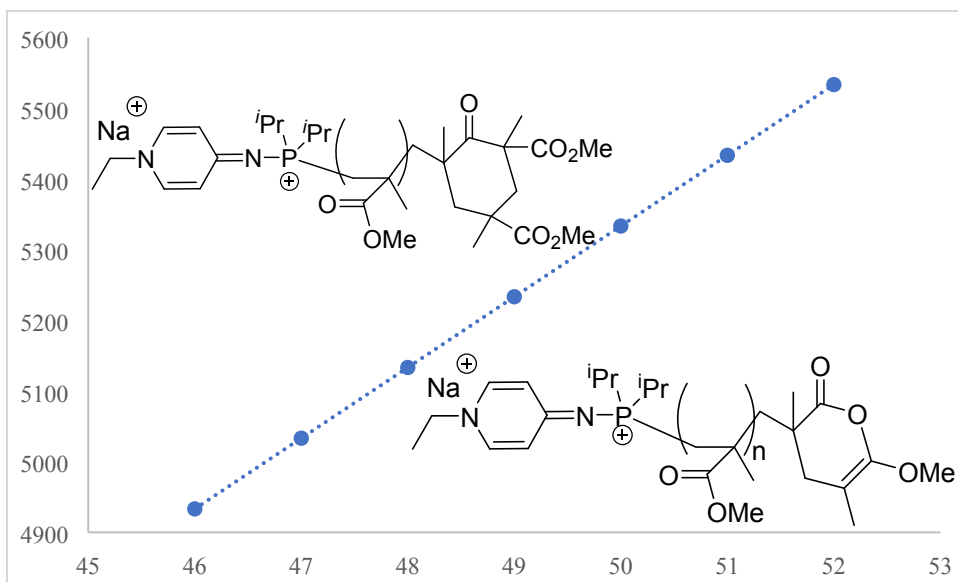


Figure S80. Plot of m/z values taken from Figure S79 vs the number of MMA repeat units (n) and the deduced corresponding polymer chain structure produced by PyAP- $i\text{Pr}+i\text{Bu}_2\text{AlBHT}$.

MALDI-TOF MS spectra of low- M_w PMMA by PyAP-Ph+MeAl(BHT) $_2$

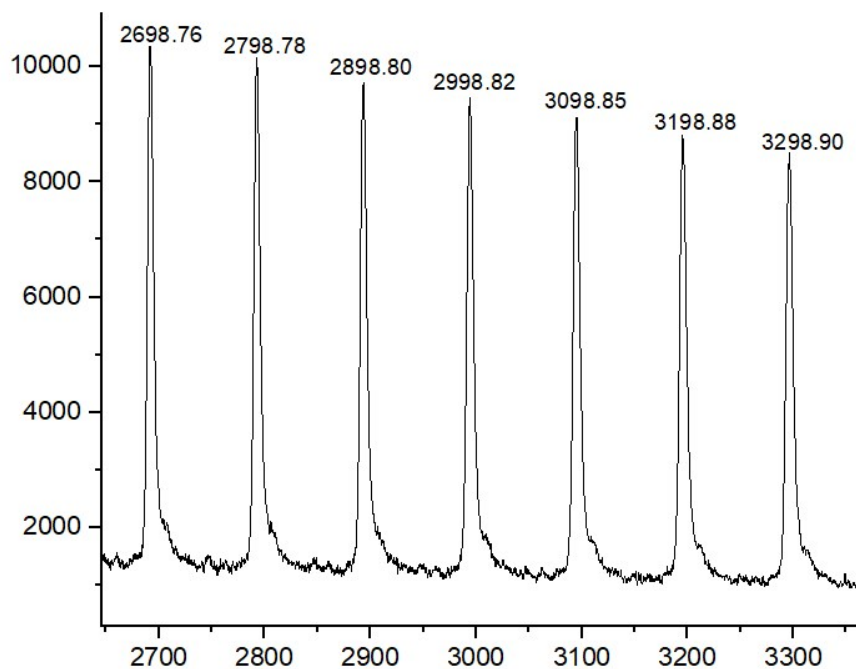


Figure S81. MALDI-TOF MS spectrum of the low- M_w PMMA sample produced by PyAP-Ph+MeAl(BHT) $_2$ in toluene at ambient temperature

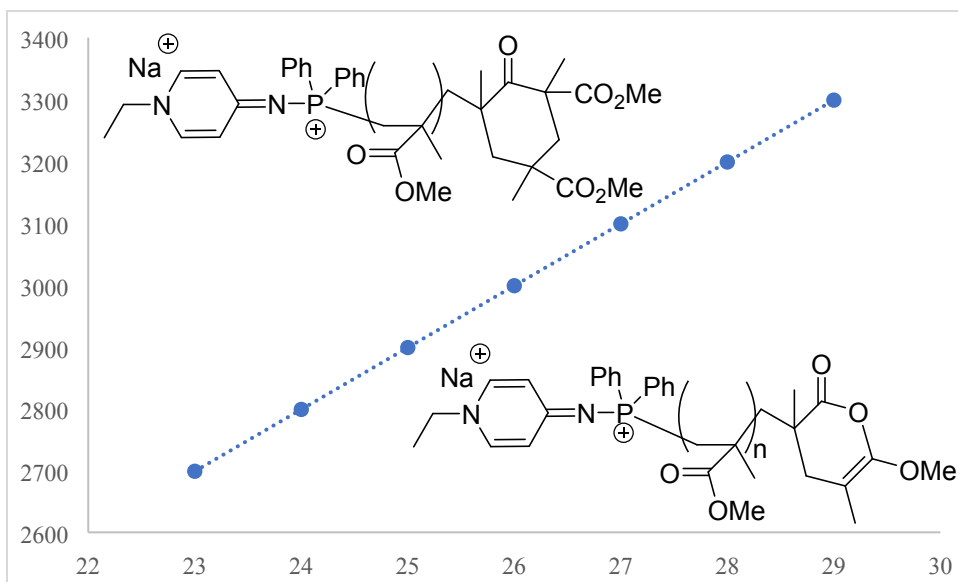


Figure S82. Plot of m/z values taken from Figure S81 vs the number of MMA repeat units (n) and the deduced corresponding polymer chain structure produced by PyAP-Ph+MeAl(BHT)₂

MALDI-TOF MS spectra of low-M_w PMMA by PyAP-Ph+ⁱBuAl(BHT)₂

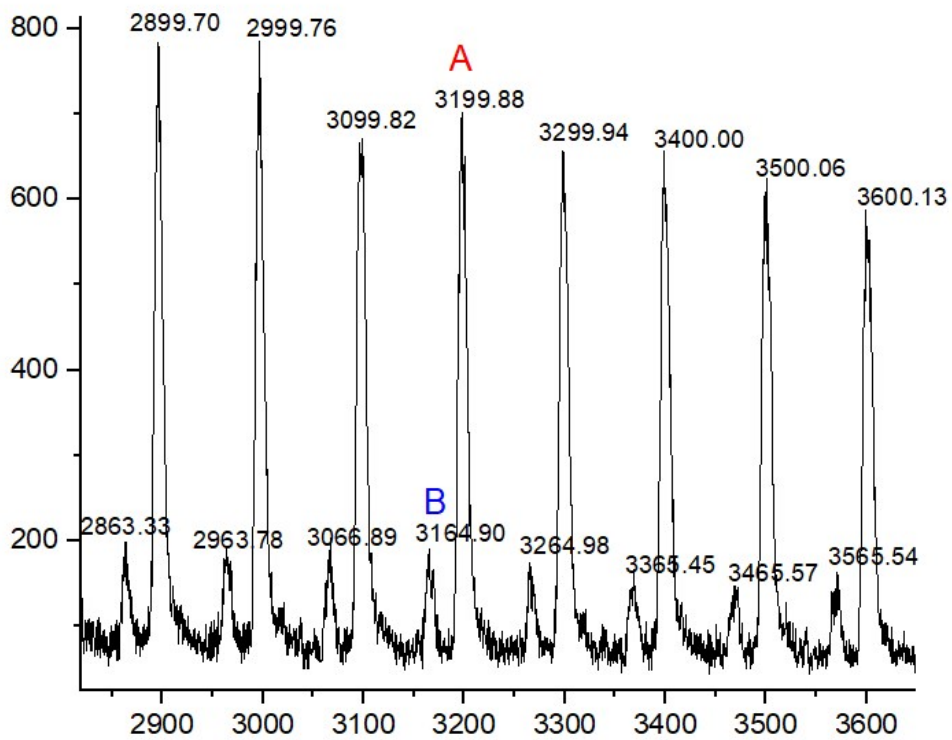


Figure S83. MALDI-TOF MS spectrum of the low-M_w PMMA sample produced by

PyAP-Ph⁺iBuAl(BHT)₂ in toluene at ambient temperature

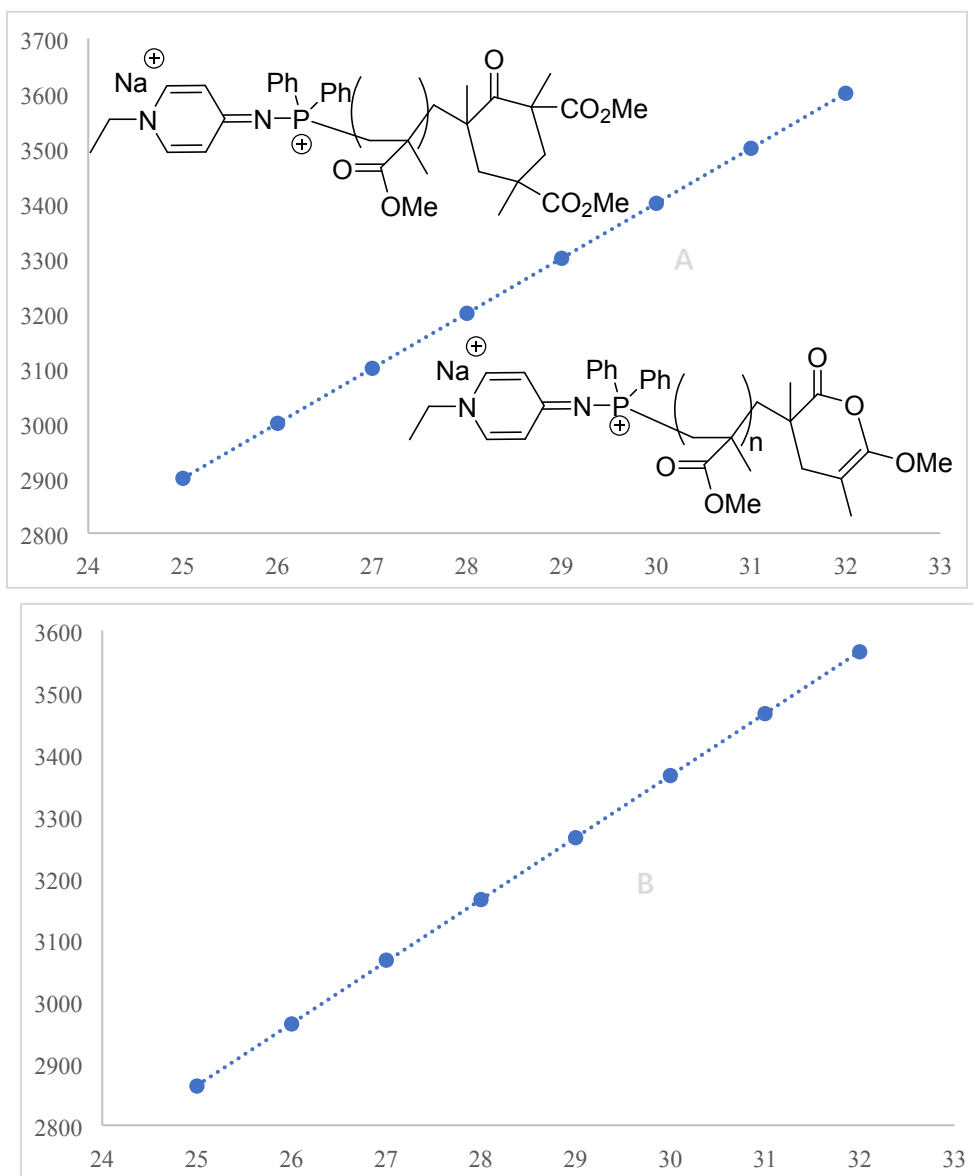


Figure S84. Plot of m/z values taken from Figure S83 vs the number of MMA repeat units (n) and the deduced corresponding polymer chain structure produced by PyAP-Ph⁺iBuAl(BHT)₂, upper: major peaks (A), bottom: minor peaks (B). Species B was not identified.

MALDI-TOF MS spectra of low-M_w PMMA by PyAP-Ph⁺iBu₂AlBHT

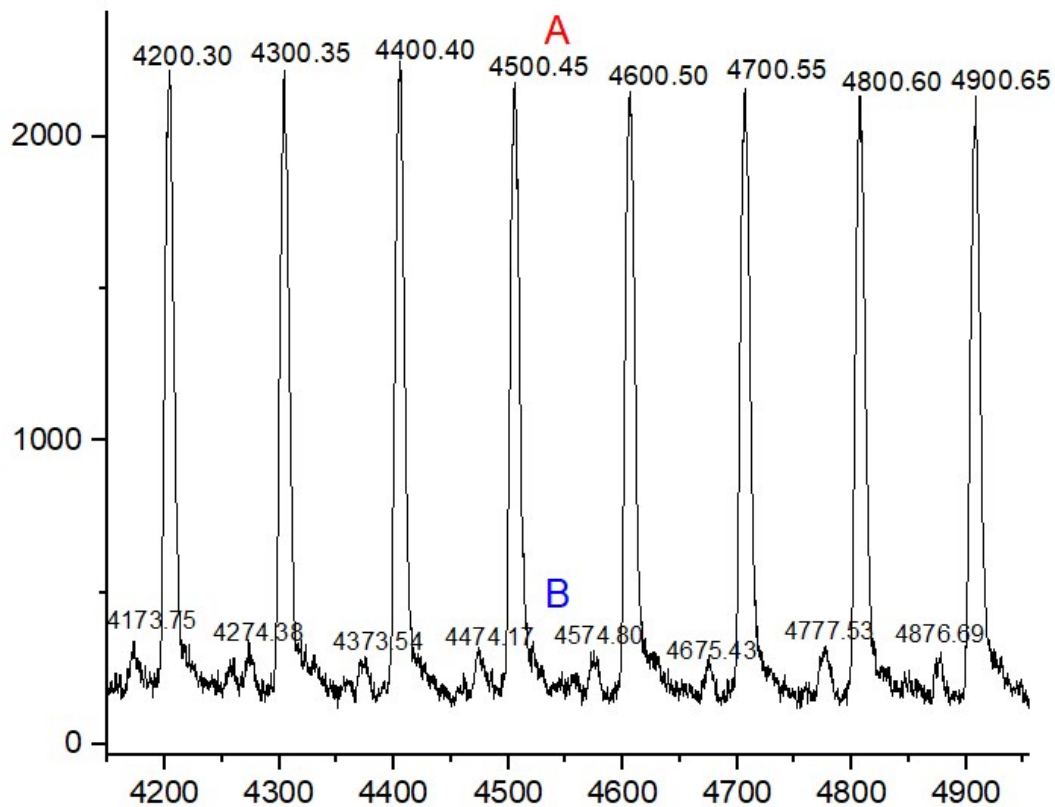
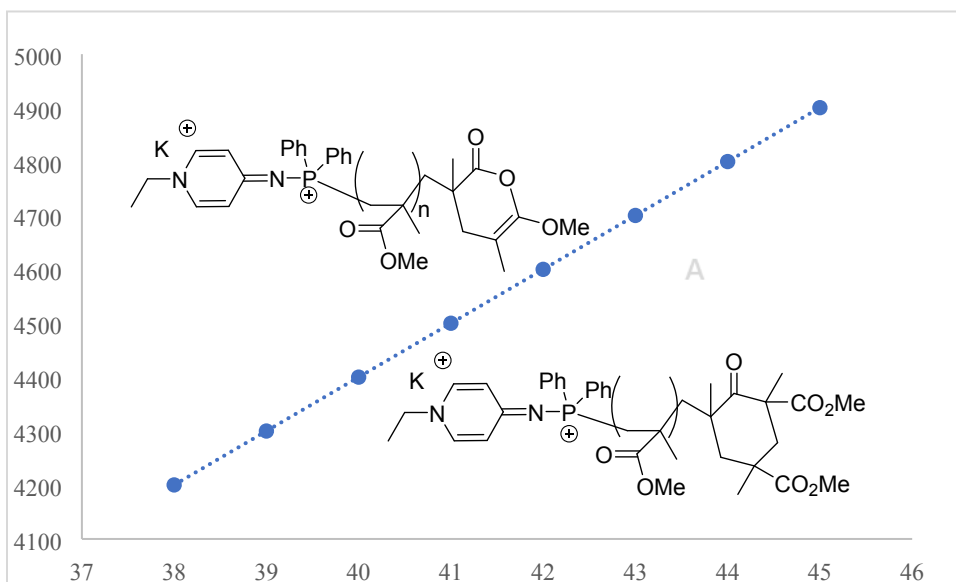


Figure S85. MALDI-TOF MS spectrum of the low- M_w PMMA sample produced by PyAP-Ph⁺*t*Bu₂AlBHT in toluene at ambient temperature



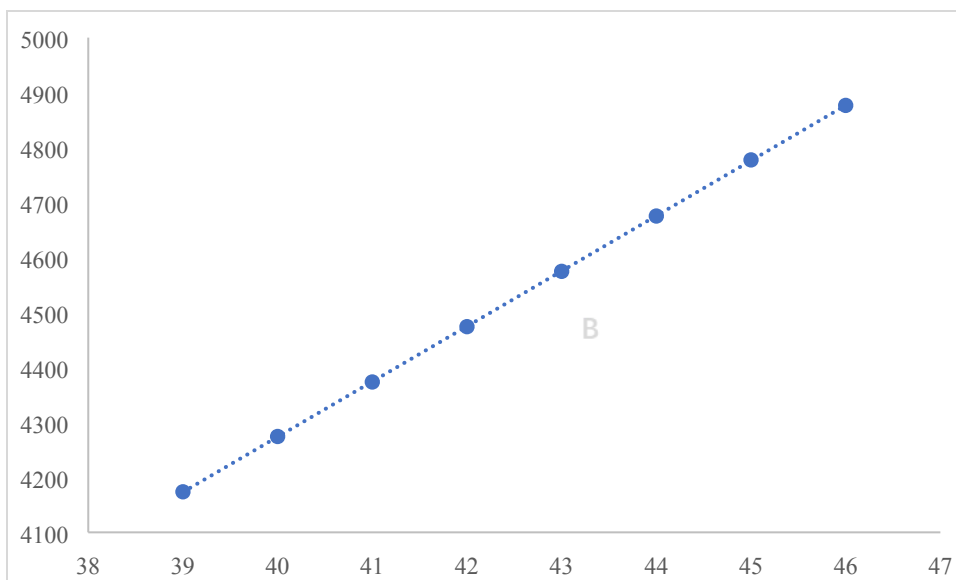


Figure S86. Plot of m/z values taken from Figure S85 vs the number of MMA repeat units (n) and the deduced corresponding polymer chain structure produced by PyAP-Ph^{*i*}Bu₂AlBHT, upper: major peaks (**A**), bottom: minor peaks (**B**). Species B was not identified.

5 X-ray data of PyAP-^{*i*}Bu and INT1

CCDC numbers of PyAP-^{*i*}Bu is 1996418. These data can be obtained free of charge from The Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre via www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif.
Table S2 Crystal data and structure refinement for 1996418.

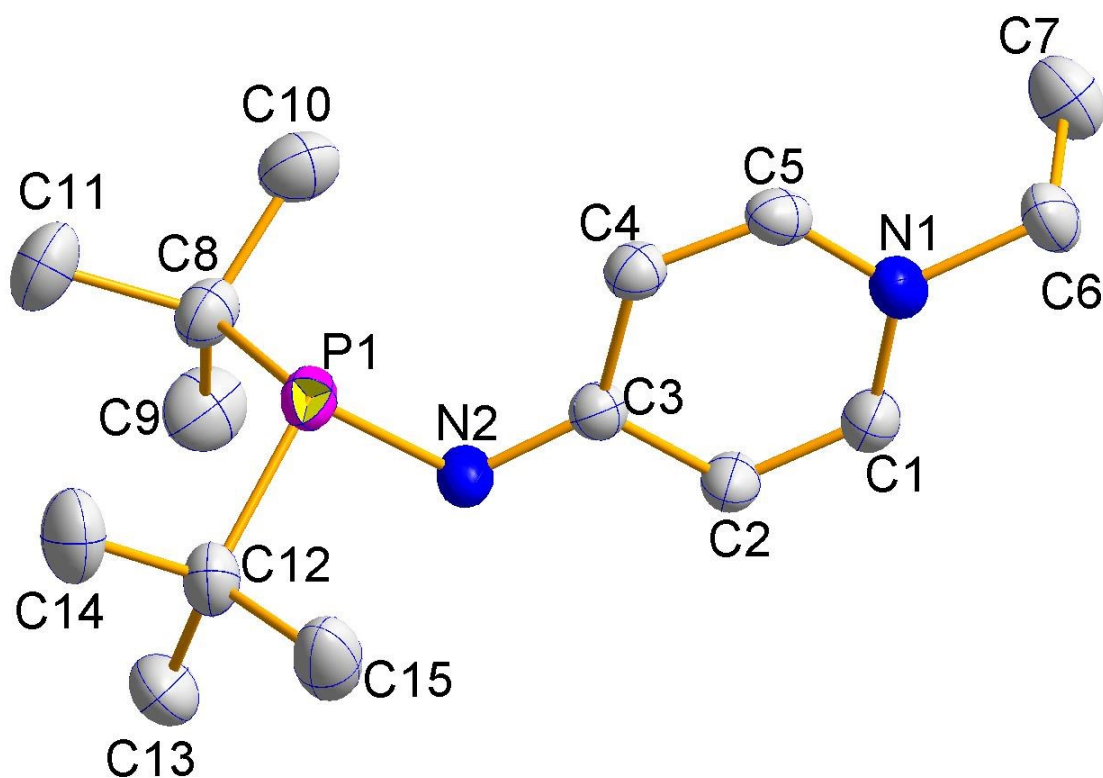


Figure S87. X-ray crystal structure of zwitterion **PyAP-*t*Bu**. Hydrogen atoms and Fluorine atom are omitted for clarity and ellipsoids drawn at 30% probability (CCDC # 1996418).

Table S7 X-ray diffraction data of PyAP-*t*Bu

Identification	
Code	1996418
Formula sum	C ₁₅ H ₂₇ N ₂ P
Formula weight	266.36 g/mol
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space-group	P 1 2 ₁ /c 1 (14)
Cell parameters	a=12.9533(7) Å b=12.0272(4) Å c=11.7499(6) Å β=116.824(5)°
Cell ratio	a/b=1.0770 b/c=1.0236 c/a=0.9071
Cell volume	1633.57(15) Å ³
Z	4
Calc. density	1.08297 g/cm ³
Meas. density	
Melting point	
RAI	0.0529
RObs	

Pearson code mP180
 Formula type NO2P15Q27
 Wyckoff sequence e45

Selected geometric informations

Atoms 1,2	d 1,2 [Å]	Atoms 1,2	d 1,2 [Å]
N1-C5	1.357(2)	C8-C10	1.539(3)
N1-C1	1.359(2)	C9-H9A	0.9600
N1-C6	1.468(2)	C9-H9B	0.9600
N2-C3	1.306(2)	C9-H9C	0.9600
N2-P1	1.7196(15)	C10-H10A	0.9600
P1-C12	1.878(2)	C10-H10B	0.9600
P1-C8	1.886(2)	C10-H10C	0.9600
C1-C2	1.343(3)	C11-H11A	0.9600
C1-H1	0.9300	C11-H11B	0.9600
C2-C3	1.440(2)	C11-H11C	0.9600
C2-H2	0.9300	C12-C13	1.524(3)
C3-C4	1.446(2)	C12-C15	1.541(3)
C4-C5	1.344(3)	C12-C14	1.541(3)
C4-H4	0.9300	C13-H13A	0.9600
C5-H5	0.9300	C13-H13B	0.9600
C6-C7	1.497(3)	C13-H13C	0.9600
C6-H6A	0.9700	C14-H14A	0.9600
C6-H6B	0.9700	C14-H14B	0.9600
C7-H7A	0.9600	C14-H14C	0.9600
C7-H7B	0.9600	C15-H15A	0.9600
C7-H7C	0.9600	C15-H15B	0.9600
C8-C11	1.529(3)	C15-H15C	0.9600
C8-C9	1.532(3)		

Atoms 1,2,3	Angle 1,2,3 [°]	Atoms 1,2,3	Angle 1,2,3 [°]
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C5-N1-C6	121.08(16)	H9A-C9-H9B	109.500
C1-N1-C6	121.12(17)	C8-C9-H9C	109.500
C3-N2-P1	119.59(12)	H9A-C9-H9C	109.500
N2-P1-C12	99.09(9)	H9B-C9-H9C	109.500
N2-P1-C8	100.03(9)	C8-C10-H10A	109.500
C12-P1-C8	110.07(9)	C8-C10-H10B	109.500
C2-C1-N1	122.31(18)	H10A-C10-H10B	109.500
C2-C1-H1	118.800	C8-C10-H10C	109.500
N1-C1-H1	118.800	H10A-C10-H10C	109.500
C1-C2-C3	122.74(17)	H10B-C10-H10C	109.500
C1-C2-H2	118.600	C8-C11-H11A	109.500
C3-C2-H2	118.600	C8-C11-H11B	109.500
N2-C3-C2	119.54(15)	H11A-C11-H11B	109.500
N2-C3-C4	128.16(16)	C8-C11-H11C	109.500
C2-C3-C4	112.29(15)	H11A-C11-H11C	109.500

C5-C4-C3	121.83(17)	H11B-C11-H11C	109.500
C5-C4-H4	119.100	C13-C12-C15	109.1(2)
C3-C4-H4	119.100	C13-C12-C14	110.55(19)
C4-C5-N1	123.13(16)	C15-C12-C14	107.1(2)
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C6-C7-H7C	109.500	H14A-C14-H14B	109.500
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H7B-C7-H7C	109.500	H14A-C14-H14C	109.500
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C9-C8-C10	107.9(2)	C12-C15-H15B	109.500
C11-C8-P1	110.14(16)	H15A-C15-H15B	109.500
C9-C8-P1	116.44(15)	C12-C15-H15C	109.500
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C3-N2-P1-C8	106.32(16)	C1-N1-C6-C7	95.8(2)
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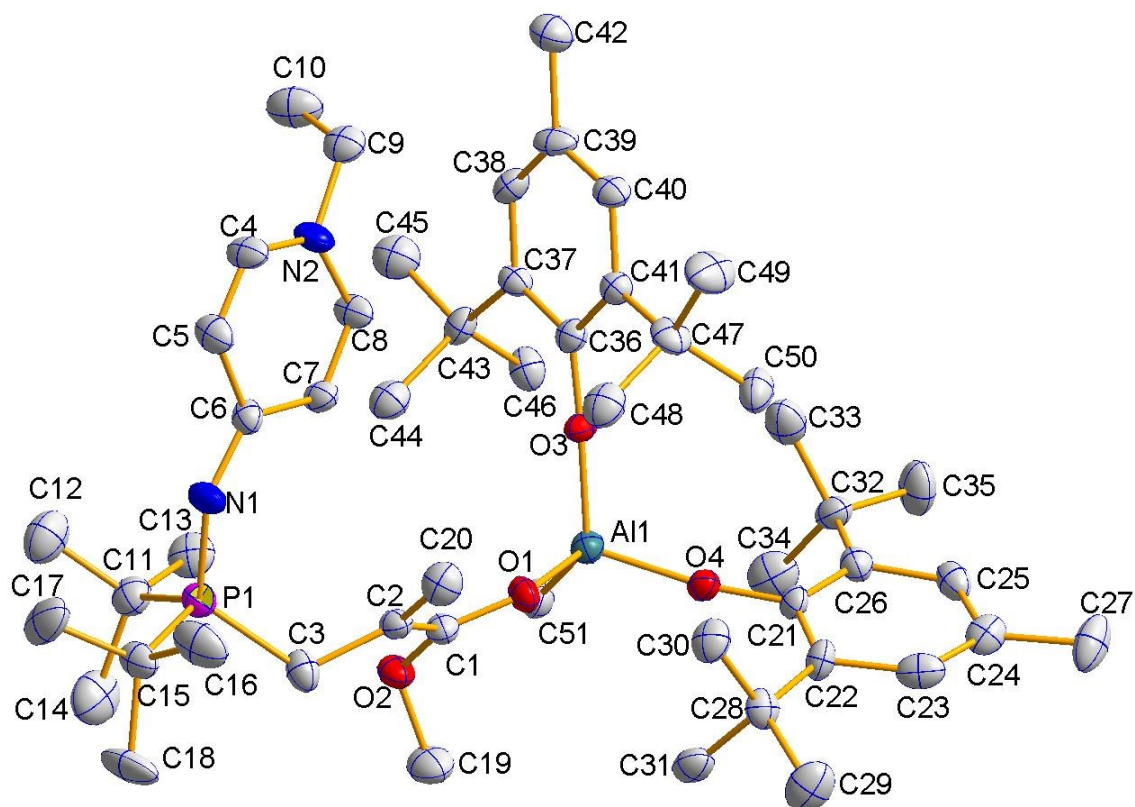


Figure S88. X-ray crystal structure of zwitterion **INT1**. Hydrogen atoms and Fluorine atom are omitted for clarity and ellipsoids drawn at 15% probability (CCDC # 2011850).

Table S8 X-ray diffraction data of INT1.

Identification Code	C51H84AlN2O4P
Formula weight	847.15 g/mol
Crystal system	orthorhombic
Space-group	P n a 21 (33)
Cell parameters	a=23.690(2) Å b=12.7455(11) Å c=23.188(2) Å
Cell ratio	a/b=1.8587 b/c=0.5497 c/a=0.9788
Cell volume	7001.41(104) Å ³
Z	4
Calc. density	0.803634 g/cm ³
Meas. density	0 g/cm ³
Melting point	
RAI	0.1243
RObs	
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Wyckoff sequence	a143

Selected geometric informations

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Al1-O4	1.749(3)	C25-H25	0.9300

AI1-C51	1.961(4)	C26-C32	1.506(6)
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P1-C3	1.814(4)	C27-H27B	0.9600
P1-C15	1.840(5)	C27-H27C	0.9600
P1-C11	1.860(6)	C28-C31	1.489(5)
N1-C6	1.316(5)	C28-C30	1.508(5)
N2-C4	1.324(5)	C28-C29	1.567(5)
N2-C8	1.329(5)	C29-H29A	0.9600
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C13-H13C	0.9600	C42-H42C	0.9600
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O3-Al1-O1	103.47(15)	C21-C26-C32	127.4(6)
O3-Al1-O4	110.21(15)	C25-C26-C32	116.8(6)
O1-Al1-O4	108.34(15)	C24-C27-H27A	109.500
O3-Al1-C51	118.52(16)	C24-C27-H27B	109.500
O1-Al1-C51	108.57(18)	H27A-C27-H27B	109.500
O4-Al1-C51	107.34(16)	C24-C27-H27C	109.500
N1-P1-C3	121.1(2)	H27A-C27-H27C	109.500
N1-P1-C15	102.4(2)	H27B-C27-H27C	109.500
C3-P1-C15	104.4(2)	C22-C28-C31	105.9(4)
N1-P1-C11	107.8(2)	C22-C28-C30	111.7(5)
C3-P1-C11	106.9(2)	C31-C28-C30	109.8(4)
C15-P1-C11	114.5(3)	C22-C28-C29	117.8(5)
C6-N1-P1	141.6(4)	C31-C28-C29	101.7(4)
C4-N2-C8	117.6(4)	C30-C28-C29	109.2(4)
C4-N2-C9	123.3(5)	C28-C29-H29A	109.500
C8-N2-C9	119.1(5)	C28-C29-H29B	109.500
C1-O1-Al1	138.6(3)	H29A-C29-H29B	109.500
C1-O2-C19	112.2(4)	C28-C29-H29C	109.500
C36-O3-Al1	177.3(3)	H29A-C29-H29C	109.500
C21-O4-Al1	172.3(3)	H29B-C29-H29C	109.500
O1-C1-C2	125.9(5)	C28-C30-H30A	109.500
O1-C1-O2	118.4(5)	C28-C30-H30B	109.500
C2-C1-O2	115.6(5)	H30A-C30-H30B	109.500
C1-C2-C3	124.6(5)	C28-C30-H30C	109.500
C1-C2-C20	120.5(5)	H30A-C30-H30C	109.500
C3-C2-C20	114.1(4)	H30B-C30-H30C	109.500
C2-C3-P1	120.2(3)	C28-C31-H31A	109.500
C2-C3-H3A	107.300	C28-C31-H31B	109.500
A1-C3-H3A	107.300	H31A-C31-H31B	109.500
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A1-C3-H3B	107.300	H31A-C31-H31C	109.500
H3A-C3-H3B	106.900	H31B-C31-H31C	109.500
C5-C4-N2	123.3(5)	C26-C32-C33	107.8(5)
C5-C4-H4	118.300	C26-C32-C35	115.6(5)
N2-C4-H4	118.300	C33-C32-C35	107.3(5)
C4-C5-C6	123.2(5)	C26-C32-C34	109.9(5)
C4-C5-H5	118.400	C33-C32-C34	112.5(5)
C6-C5-H5	118.400	C35-C32-C34	103.9(5)
N1-C6-C7	129.4(5)	C32-C33-H33A	109.500
N1-C6-C5	119.8(5)	C32-C33-H33B	109.500
C7-C6-C5	110.8(5)	H33A-C33-H33B	109.500
C8-C7-C6	123.5(5)	C32-C33-H33C	109.500
C8-C7-H7	118.200	H33A-C33-H33C	109.500
C6-C7-H7	118.200	H33B-C33-H33C	109.500
C7-C8-N2	121.2(5)	C32-C34-H34A	109.500
C7-C8-H8	119.400	C32-C34-H34B	109.500
N2-C8-H8	119.400	H34A-C34-H34B	109.500
C10-C9-N2	113.8(5)	C32-C34-H34C	109.500
C10-C9-H9A	108.800	H34A-C34-H34C	109.500
N2-C9-H9A	108.800	H34B-C34-H34C	109.500
C10-C9-H9B	108.800	C32-C35-H35A	109.500
N2-C9-H9B	108.800	C32-C35-H35B	109.500
H9A-C9-H9B	107.700	H35A-C35-H35B	109.500
C9-C10-H10A	109.500	C32-C35-H35C	109.500
C9-C10-H10B	109.500	H35A-C35-H35C	109.500
H10A-C10-H10B	109.500	H35B-C35-H35C	109.500
C9-C10-H10C	109.500	O3-C36-C41	122.8(5)
H10A-C10-H10C	109.500	O3-C36-C37	120.2(5)
H10B-C10-H10C	109.500	C41-C36-C37	116.9(5)
C13-C11-C12	108.6(5)	C38-C37-C36	118.8(5)

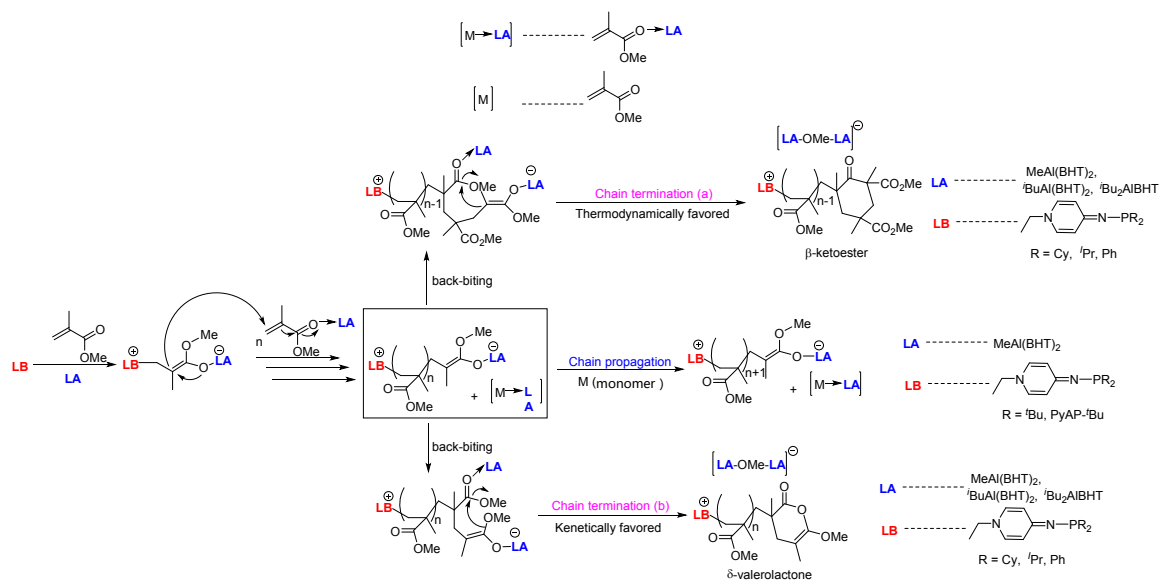
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C12-C11-C14	106.0(5)	C36-C37-C43	121.1(5)
C13-C11-P1	108.9(4)	C39-C38-C37	123.9(5)
C12-C11-P1	110.7(4)	C39-C38-H38	118.100
C14-C11-P1	111.7(4)	C37-C38-H38	118.100
C11-C12-H12A	109.500	C38-C39-C40	119.2(5)
C11-C12-H12B	109.500	C38-C39-C42	122.2(7)
H12A-C12-H12B	109.500	C40-C39-C42	118.6(6)
C11-C12-H12C	109.500	C41-C40-C39	120.0(5)
H12A-C12-H12C	109.500	C41-C40-H40	120.000
H12B-C12-H12C	109.500	C39-C40-H40	120.000
C11-C13-H13A	109.500	C40-C41-C36	121.1(5)
C11-C13-H-13B	109.500	C40-C41-C47	115.7(5)
H13A-C13-H13B	109.500	C36-C41-C47	123.2(5)
C11-C13-H13C	109.500	C39-C42-H42A	109.500
H13A-C13-H13C	109.500	C39-C42-H42B	109.500
H13B-C13-H13C	109.500	H42A-C42-H42B	109.500
C11-C14-H14A	109.500	C39-C42-H42C	109.500
C11-C14-H14B	109.500	H42A-C42-H42C	109.500
H14A-C14-H14B	109.500	H42B-C42-H42C	109.500
C11-C14-H14C	109.500	C37-C43-C45	112.9(5)
H14A-C14-H14C	109.500	C37-C43-C44	113.6(4)
H14B-C14-H14C	109.500	C45-C43-C44	101.5(4)
C17-C15-C16	105.7(5)	C37-C43-C46	110.7(4)
C17-C15-C18	109.5(5)	C45-C43-C46	107.1(4)
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C17-C15-P1	115.0(4)	C43-C44-H44A	109.500
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H16B-C16-H16C	109.500	H45A-C45-H45B	109.500
C15-C17-H17A	109.500	C43-C45-H45C	109.500
C15-C17-H17B	109.500	H45A-C45-H45C	109.500
H17A-C17-H17B	109.500	H45B-C45-H45C	109.500
C15C17H17C	109.500	C43-C46-H46A	109.500
H17A-C17-H17C	109.500	C43-C46-H46B	109.500
H17B-C17-H17C	109.500	H46A-C46-H46B	109.500
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H18A-C18-H18B	109.500	H46B-C46-H46C	109.500
C15-C18-H18C	109.500	C41-C47-C50	114.1(5)
H18A-C18-H18C	109.500	C41-C47-C49	115.9(5)
H18B-C18-H18C	109.500	C50-C47-C49	104.7(5)
O2-C19-H19A	109.500	C41-C47-C48	108.1(5)
O2-C19-H19B	109.500	C5-0C47-C48	108.9(5)
H19A-C19-H19B	109.500	C49-C47-C48	104.5(5)
O2-C19-H19C	109.500	C47-C48-H48A	109.500
H19A-C19-H19C	109.500	C47-C48-H48B	109.500
H19B-C19-H19C	109.500	H48A-C48-H48B	109.500
C2-C20-H20A	109.500	C47-C48-H48C	109.500
C2-C20-H20B	109.500	H48A-C48-H48C	109.500
H20A-C20-H20B	109.500	H48B-C48-H48C	109.500
C2-C20-H20C	109.500	C47-C49-H49A	109.500
H20A-C20-H20C	109.500	C47-C49-H49B	109.500
H20B-C20-H20C	109.500	H49A-C49-H49B	109.500
O4-C21-C22	117.8(5)	C47-C49-H49C	109.500
O4-C21-C26	119.2(6)	H49A-C49-H49C	109.500
C22-C21-C26	122.9(5)	H49B-C49-H49C	109.500
C21-C22-C23	115.5(5)	C47-C50-H50A	109.500
C21-C22-C28	129.1(5)	C47-C50-H50B	109.500
C23-C22-C28	115.4(6)	H50A-C50-H50B	109.500
C24-C23-C22	126.6(6)	C47-C50-H50C	109.500

C24-C23-H23	116.700	H50A-C50-H50C	109.500
C22-C23-H23	116.700	H50B-C50-H50C	109.500
C23-C24-C25	114.7(6)	Al1-C51-H51A	109.500
C23-C24-C27	126.3(7)	Al1-C51-H51B	109.500
C25-C24-C27	119.0(6)	H51A-C51-H51B	109.500
C24-C25-C26	124.4(5)	Al1-C51-H51C	109.500
C24-C25-H25	117.800	H51A-C51-H51C	109.500
C26-C25-H25	117.800	H51B-C51-H51C	109.500
C21-C26-C25	115.7(5)		

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C3-P1-N1-C6	54.3(6)	O4-C21-C22-C23	-176.1(4)
C15-P1-N1-C6	169.8(6)	C26-C21-C22-C23	6.8(7)
C11-P1-N1-C6	-69.1(6)	O4-C21-C22-C28	-0.1(8)
O3-Al1-O1-C1	101.3(5)	C26-C21-C22-C28	-177.2(5)
O4-Al1-O1-C1	-141.7(4)	C21-C22-C23-C24	-3.1(8)
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O1-Al1-O3-C36	-67.(7)	C22-C23-C24-C25	-0.4(8)
O4-Al1-O3-C36	178.(100)	C22-C23-C24-C27	177.3(4)
C51-Al1-O3-C36	54.(7)	C23-C24-C25-C26	0.5(7)
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Al1-O1-C1-O2	28.0(7)	C22-C21-C26-C32	168.9(5)
C19-O2-C1-O1	78.4(5)	C24-C25-C26-C21	2.9(7)
C19-O2-C1-C2	-104.1(5)	C24-C25-C26-C32	-173.2(5)
O1-C1-C2-C3	-175.9(4)	C21-C22-C28-C31	56.0(7)
O2-C1-C2-C3	6.8(7)	C23-C22-C28-C31	-128.0(5)
O1-C1-C2-C20	-6.7(8)	C21-C22-C28-C30	-63.5(7)
O2-C1-C2-C20	176.0(4)	C23-C22-C28-C30	112.5(5)
C1-C2-C3-P1	-114.8(5)	C21-C22-C28-C29	168.8(5)
C20-C2-C3-P1	75.4(5)	C23-C22-C28-C29	-15.1(7)
N1-P1-C3-C2	-23.4(5)	C21-C26-C32-C33	66.5(7)
C15-P1-C3-C2	-137.8(4)	C25-C26-C32-C33	-117.9(5)
C11-P1-C3-C2	100.4(4)	C21-C26-C32-C35	-173.5(5)
C8-N2-C4-C5	-6.4(8)	C25-C26-C32-C35	2.1(7)
C9-N2-C4-C5	172.8(5)	C21-C26-C32-C34	-56.4(7)
N2-C4-C5-C6	2.4(9)	C25-C26-C32-C34	119.2(5)
Al1-N1-C6-C7	-13.5(9)	Al1-O3-C36-C41	138.(7)
Al1-N1-C6-C5	164.0(4)	Al1-O3-C36-C37	-44.(7)
C4-C5-C6-N1	-177.2(5)	O3-C36-C37-C38	-176.4(4)
C4-C5-C6-C7	0.8(7)	C41-C36-C37-C38	1.8(6)
N1-C6-C7-C8	178.0(5)	O3-C36-C37-C43	4.4(6)
C5-C6-C7-C8	0.2(7)	C41-C36-C37-C43	-177.3(4)
C6-C7-C8-N2	-4.4(8)	C36-C37-C38-C39	-0.1(7)
C4-N2-C8-C7	7.3(7)	C43-C37-C38-C39	179.1(5)
C9-N2-C8-C7	-171.9(5)	C37-C38-C39-C40	0.6(8)
C4-N2-C9-C10	-92.0(6)	C37-C38-C39-C42	178.2(4)
C8-N2-C9-C10	87.1(5)	C38-C39-C40-C41	-2.9(8)
N1-P1-C11-C13	72.7(4)	C42-C39-C40-C41	179.4(4)
C3-P1-C11-C13	-59.0(4)	C39-C40-C41-C36	4.8(7)
C15-P1-C11-C13	-174.1(4)	C39-C40-C41-C47	-174.8(5)
N1-P1-C11-C12	-46.6(5)	O3-C36-C41-C40	174.0(4)
C3-P1-C11-C12	-178.3(4)	C37-C36-C41-C40	-4.2(6)
C15-P1-C11-C12	66.5(5)	O3-C36-C41-C47	-6.3(7)
N1-P1-C11-C14	-164.5(4)	C37-C36-C41-C47	175.4(4)
C3-P1-C11-C14	63.8(5)	C38-C37-C43-C45	-6.0(6)
C15-P1-C11-C14	-51.3(5)	C36-C37-C43-C45	173.1(4)
N1-P1-C15-C17	58.5(5)	C38-C37-C43-C44	-120.9(5)
C3-P1-C15-C17	-174.4(4)	C36-C37-C43-C44	58.2(6)
C11-P1-C15-C17	-57.8(5)	C38-C37-C43-C46	114.1(5)
N1-P1-C15-C16	-57.0(4)	C36-C37-C43-C46	-66.8(5)
C3-P1-C15-C16	70.1(4)	C40-C41-C47-C50	-118.0(5)
C11-P1-C15-C16	-173.3(4)	C36-C41-C47-C50	62.3(6)

N1-P1-C15-C18	-174.7(4)	C40-C41-C47-C49	3.7(7)
C3-P1-C15-C18	-47.7(5)	C36-C41-C47-C49	-175.9(5)
C11-P1-C15-C18	69.0(5)	C40-C41-C47-C48	120.6(4)
Al1-O4-C21-C22	114.(2)	C36-C41-C47-C48	-59.0(6)
Al1-O4-C21-C26	-69.(3)		

6 Proposed Polymerization Mechanism



Scheme S1. Proposed Mechanism for Polymerization of MMA by PyAP-Based LPs