

Supporting Information for:

**Synthesis and Catalytic Application of Aluminium Anilido-Pyrazolate
Complexes**

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Reactions of aluminium anilido-pyrazolate complexes **1-4** with 2 equiv. benzyl alcohol at room temperature within 5 minutes.

Experimental procedures

Typically, prescribed amount of catalyst (0.028 mmol; 0.0082 g for **1**, 0.0093 g for **2**, 0.0090 g for **3** and 0.0095 g for **4**) in a flask was added 3.33 mL dried toluene (containing 0.056 mmol benzyl alcohol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 minutes. All the volatiles were pumped off and part of the resulting solid was dissolved in C_6D_6 for 1H NMR studies.

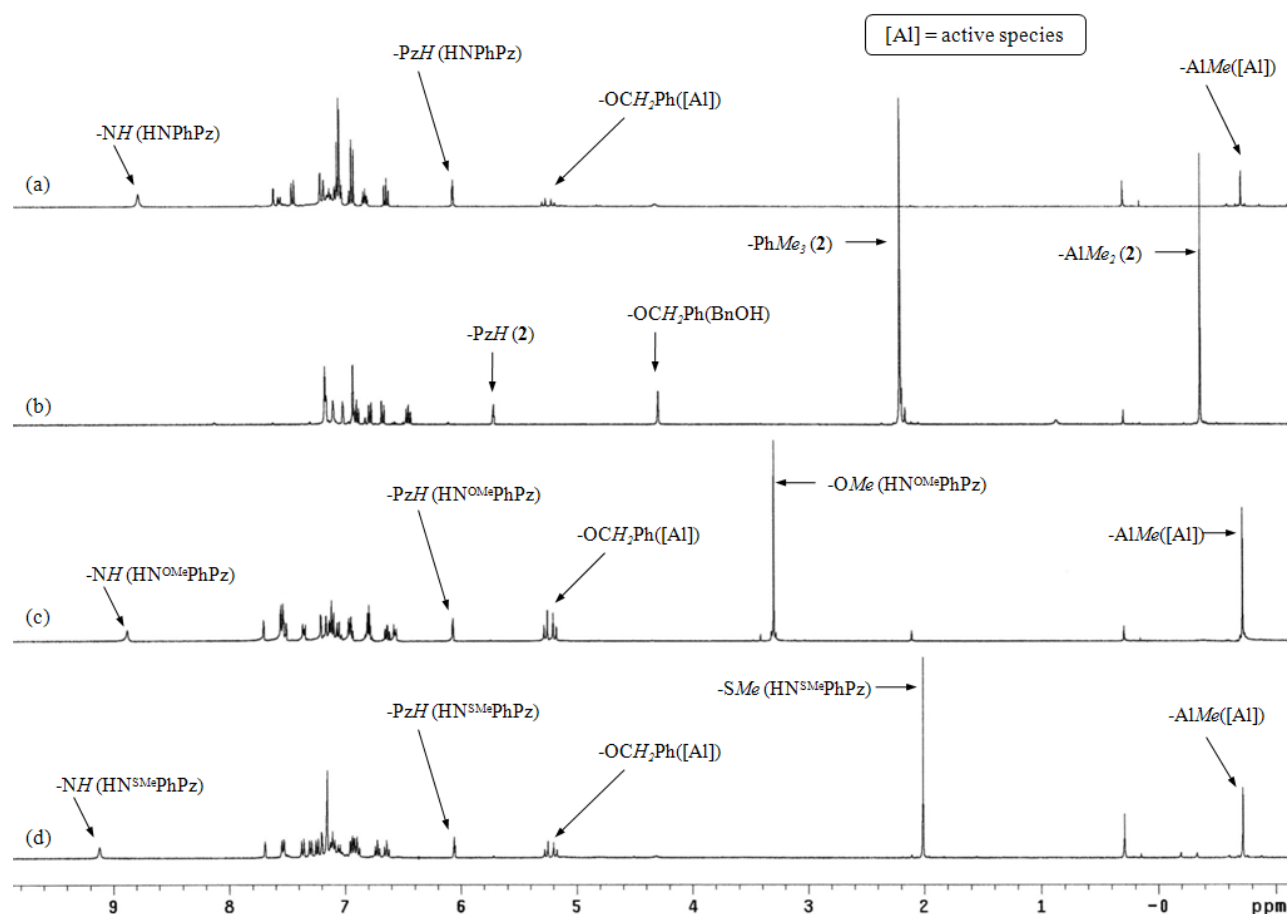


Fig. S1 1H NMR spectra for the reactions of aluminium anilido-pyrazolate complexes (**1-4**) with two equivalents of benzyl alcohol at room temperature after 5 minutes. (a) for **1** + 2BnOH; (b) for **2** + 2BnOH; (c) for **3** + 2BnOH; (d) for **4** + 2BnOH.