

Supporting Information

Living ring-opening homo- and copolymerization of ε -caprolactone and L-lactide by cyclic β -ketiminato aluminum complexes

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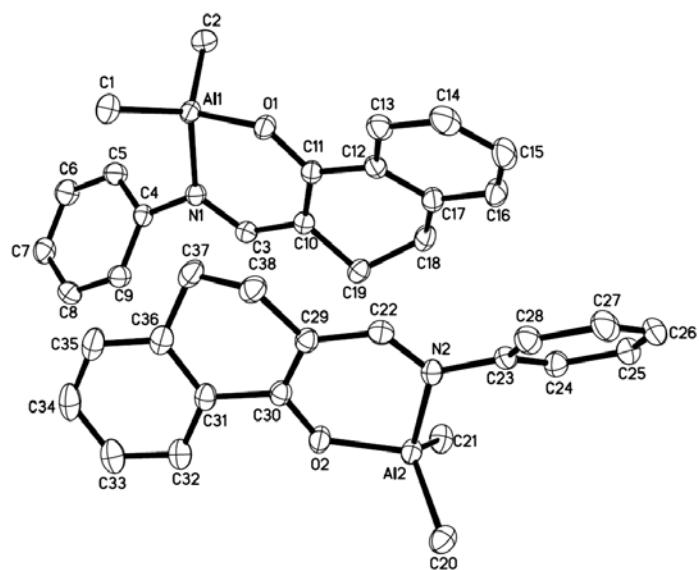


Fig. S1 Molecular structure of complex **3b** with thermal ellipsoids at 30% probability level. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

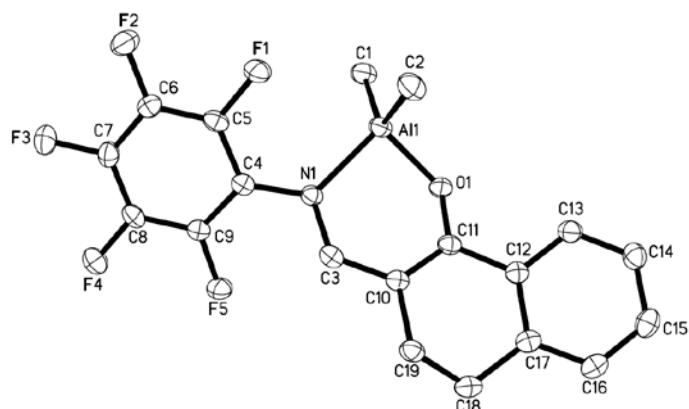


Fig. S2 Molecular structure of complex **3c** with thermal ellipsoids at 30% probability level. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

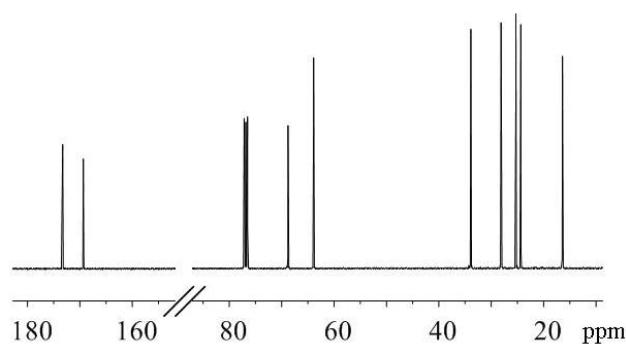


Fig. S3 ¹³C NMR spectrum of PCL-*b*-PLLA copolymer by catalyst **3a** (entry 1, Table 3).

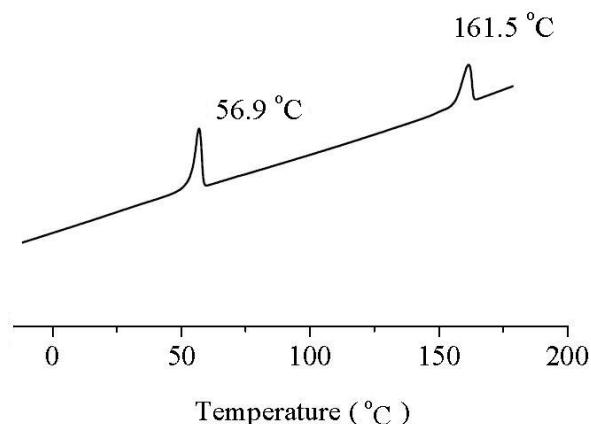


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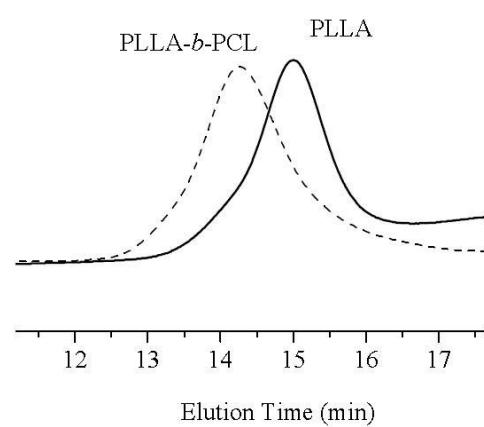


Fig. S5 GPC curves of PLLA and PLLA-*b*-PCL prepared by catalyst **3c**.

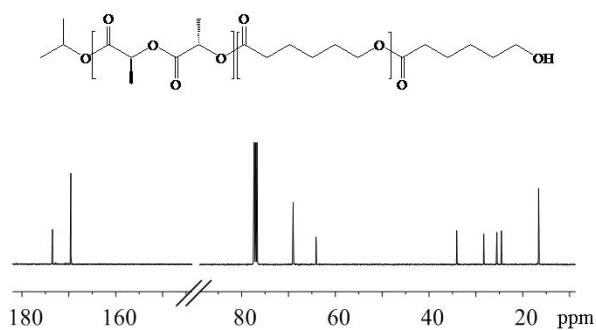


Fig. S6 ¹³C NMR spectrum of PLLA-*b*-PCL copolymer by catalyst **3c** (entry 2, Table 3).

Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinements of complexes **3a-c**.

	3a	3b	3c
Empirical formula	C ₂₅ H ₃₂ AlNO	C ₁₉ H ₂₀ AlNO	C ₁₉ H ₁₅ AlF ₅ NO
Formula weight	389.50	305.34	395.30
Crystal system	monoclinic	triclinic	monoclinic
Space group	P2(1)/c	P-1	P2(1)/c
a (Å)	9.8106(8)	9.1373(5)	7.9649(7)
b (Å)	14.5843(12)	14.8039(8)	15.0918(13)
c (Å)	17.0062(13)	14.8329(8)	15.0663(13)
α (°)	90.00	117.5840(10)	90.00
β (°)	104.4090(10)	94.5200(10)	102.838(2)
γ (°)	90.00	104.3280(10)	90.00
V (Å ³), Z	2356.7(3), 4	1678.77(16), 4	1765.8(3), 4
Density _{calcd} (Mg/m ³)	1.098	1.208	1.487
Absorption coefficient (mm ⁻¹)	0.100	0.122	0.174
F(000)	840	648	808
Crystal size/mm	0.30×0.16×0.08	0.33×0.25×0.18	0.31×0.23×0.14
θ range for data collection (°)	1.87 to 26.03	1.59 to 26.03	1.93 to 25.04
Reflections collected	13004	9262	10242
Independent reflections	4614 ($R_{\text{int}}=0.0303$)	6483 ($R_{\text{int}}=0.0217$)	3110 ($R_{\text{int}}=0.0439$)
Data/restraints/ parameters	4614/0/259	6483/0/401	3110 /0/246
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.027	1.022	1.015
Final R indices [I>2σ (I)]: R1, wR2	0.0495, 0.1138	0.0552, 0.1200	0.0446, 0.0976
Largest diff. Peak and hole (e A ⁻³)	0.337 and -0.180	0.276 and -0.214	0.234 and -0.208

