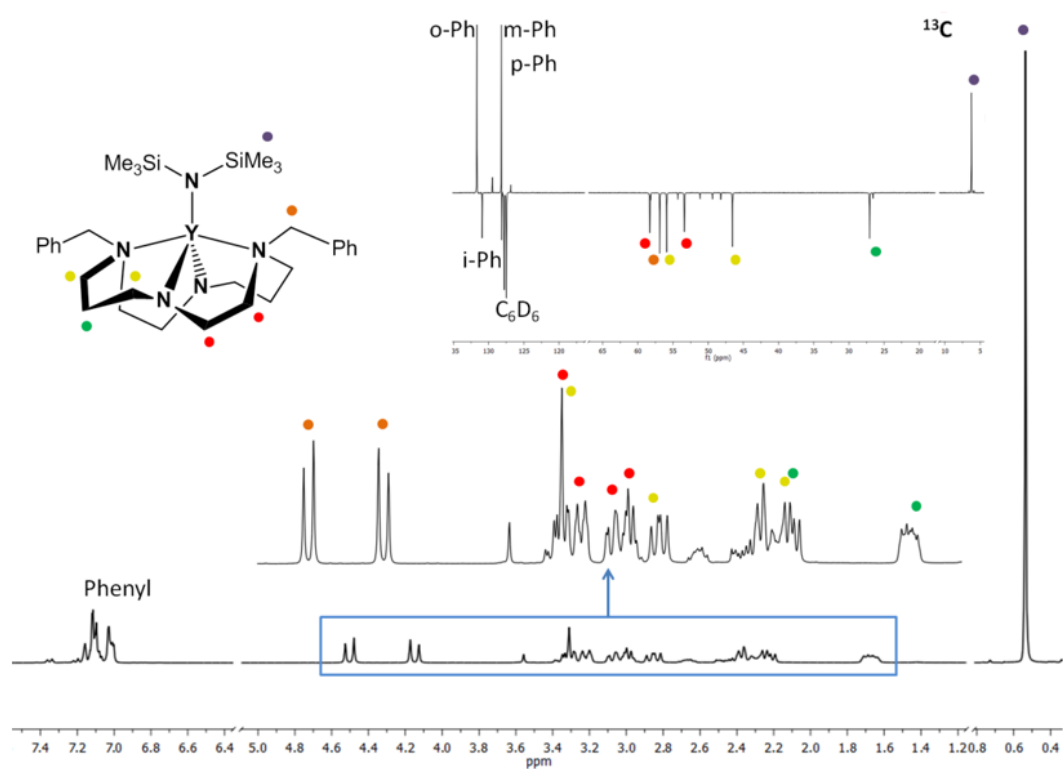
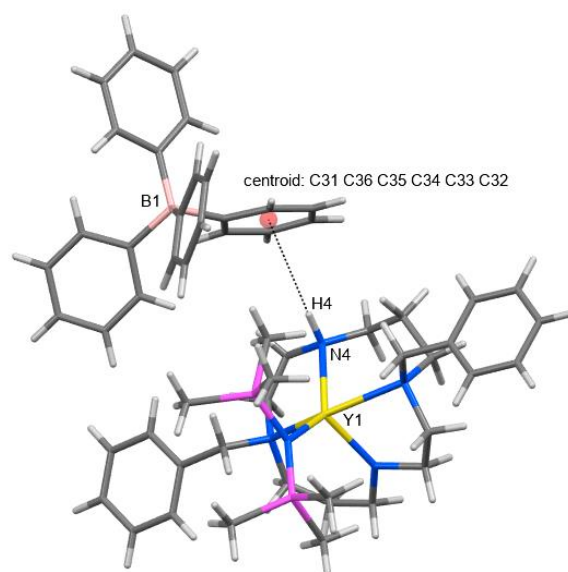


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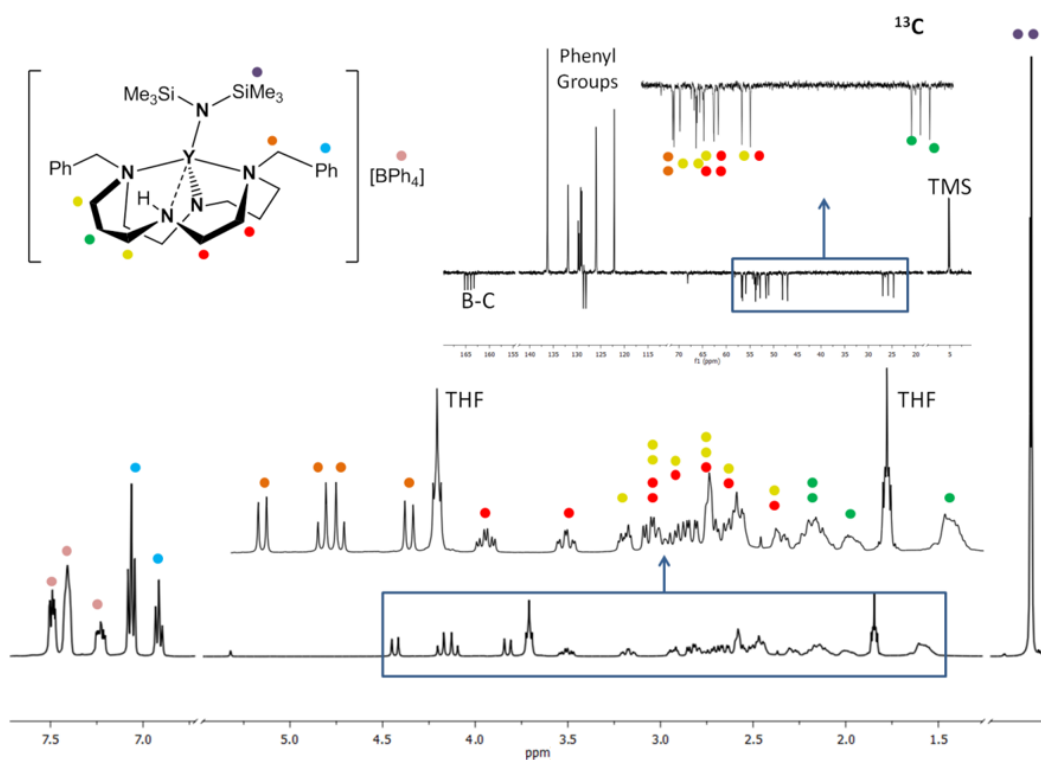
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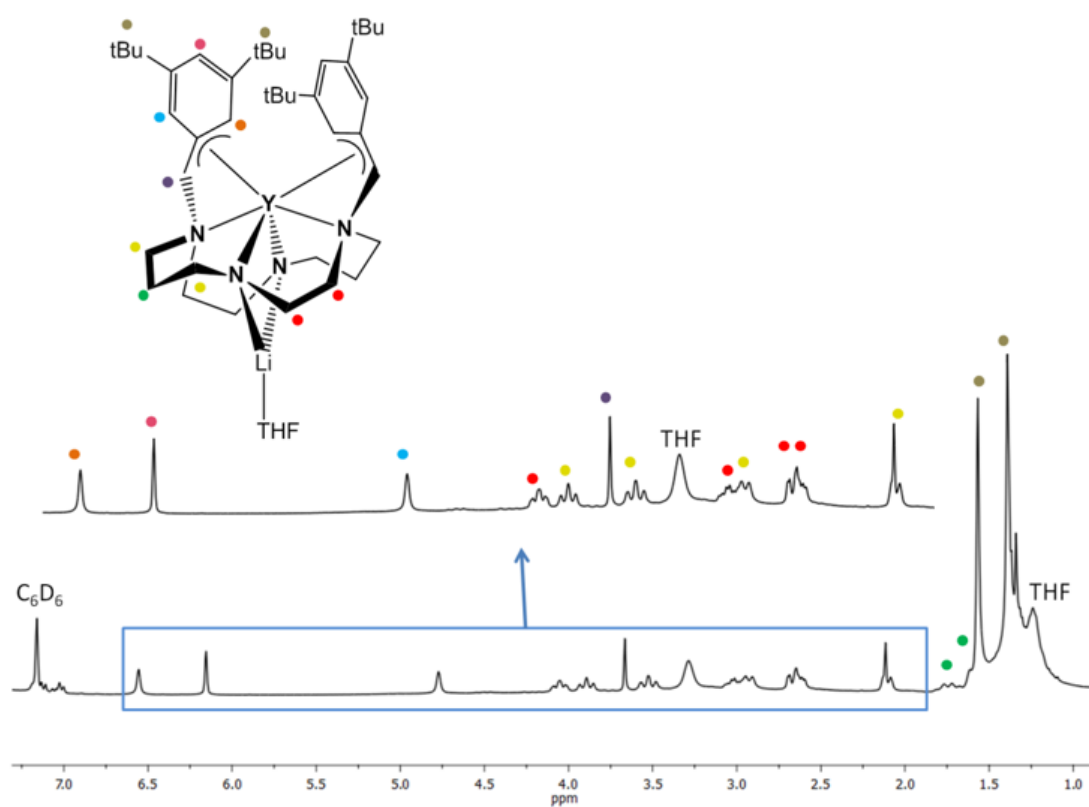
**Figure S1.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR and  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  APT spectra of **2** in  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ . The corresponding protons and carbons are identified with coloured dots.



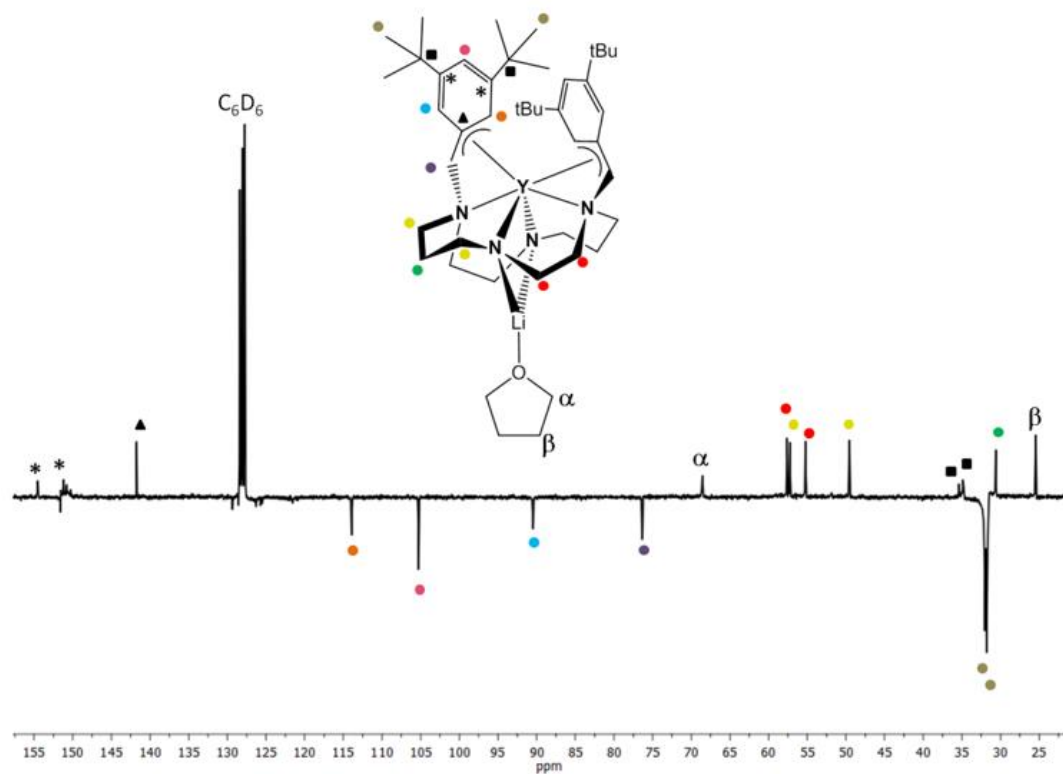
**Figure S2.** N-H $\cdots\pi$  interactions in [(HBn<sub>2</sub>Cyclam)Y(N(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>)] [BPh<sub>4</sub>], **3**.



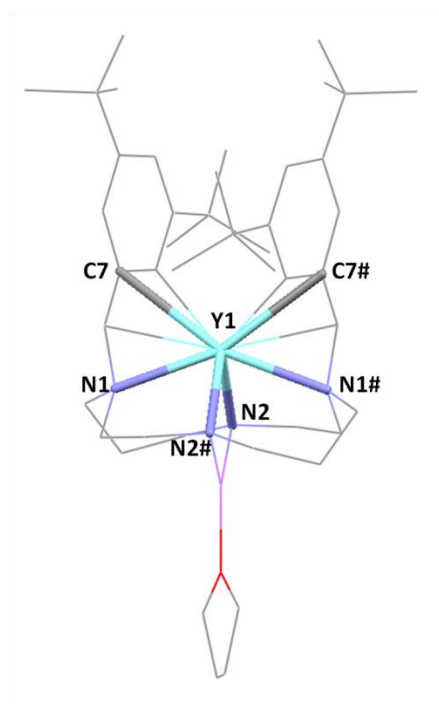
**Figure S3.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} APT spectra of **3** in CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The corresponding protons and carbons are identified with coloured dots.



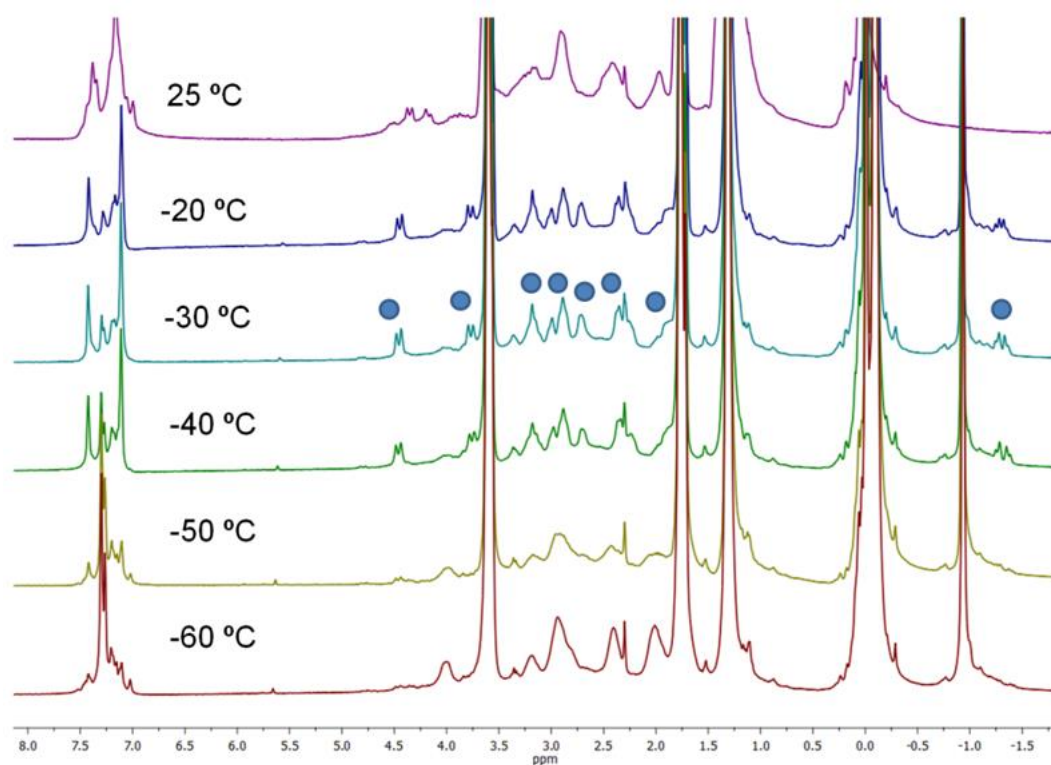
**Figure S4.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **6** in  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ . The corresponding protons are identified with coloured dots.



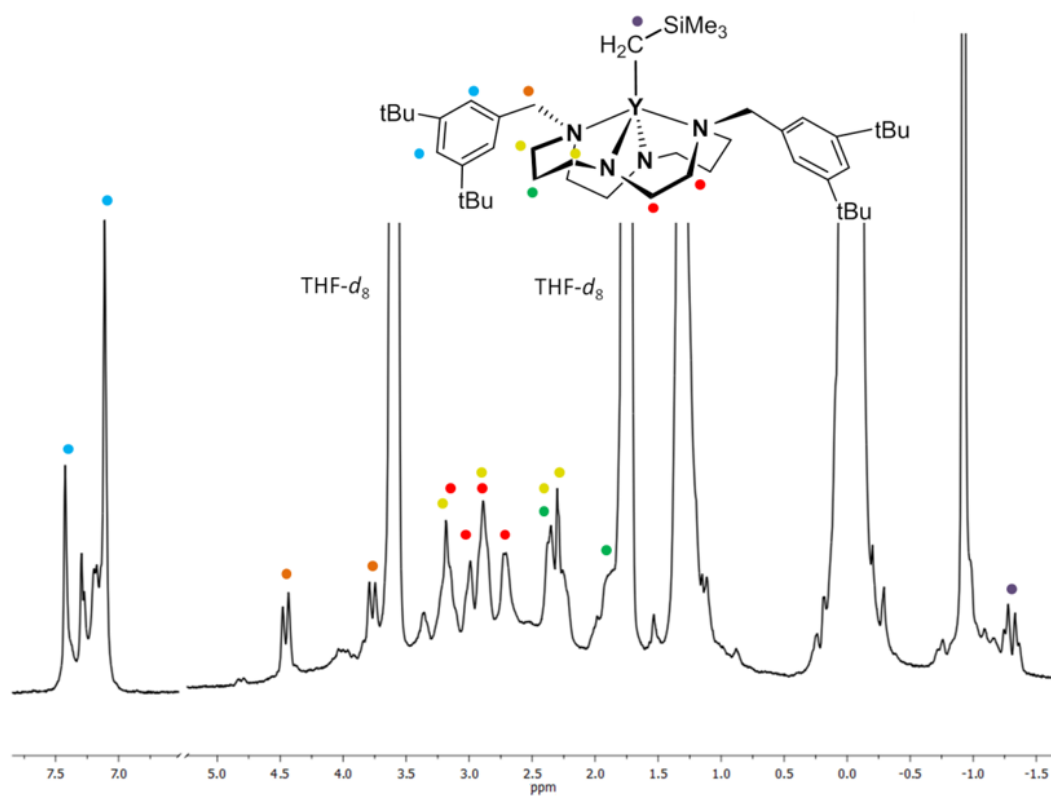
**Figure S5.**  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  APT NMR spectrum of **6** in  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ . The corresponding carbons are identified with coloured dots, asterisks (\*), squares (■) and triangles (▲).



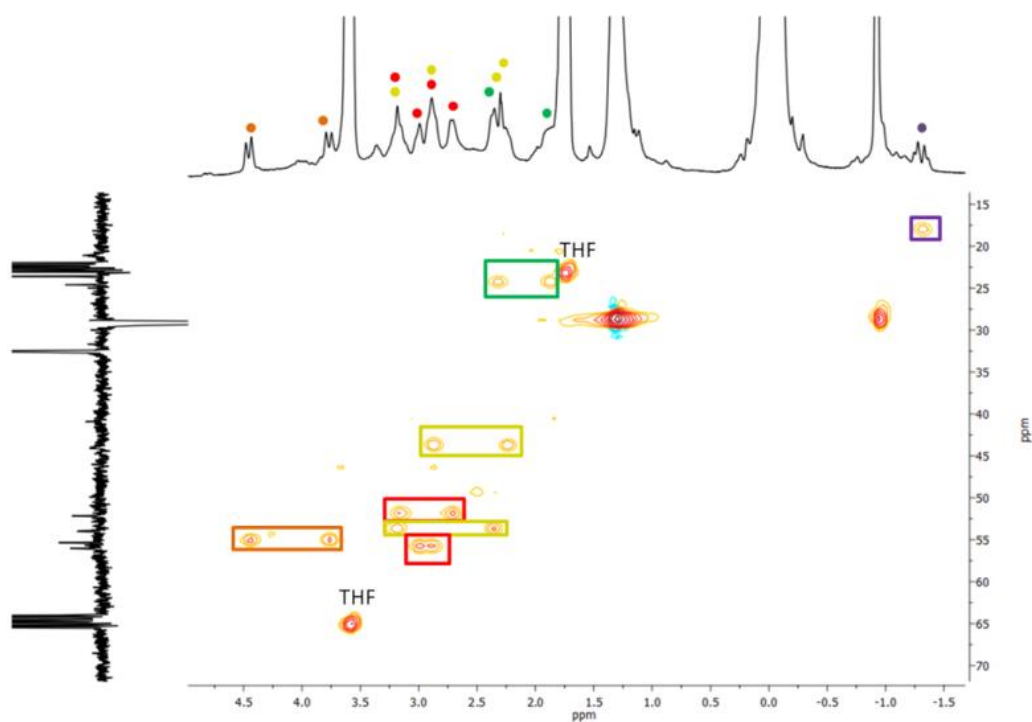
**Figure S6.** Illustration of the molecular structure of  $[\text{Y}\{(\eta^3\text{-}3,5\text{-tBu}_2\text{Bn})_2\text{Cyclam}\}\text{Li}(\text{THF})]$ , **6**, highlighting the coordination geometry around the metal center.



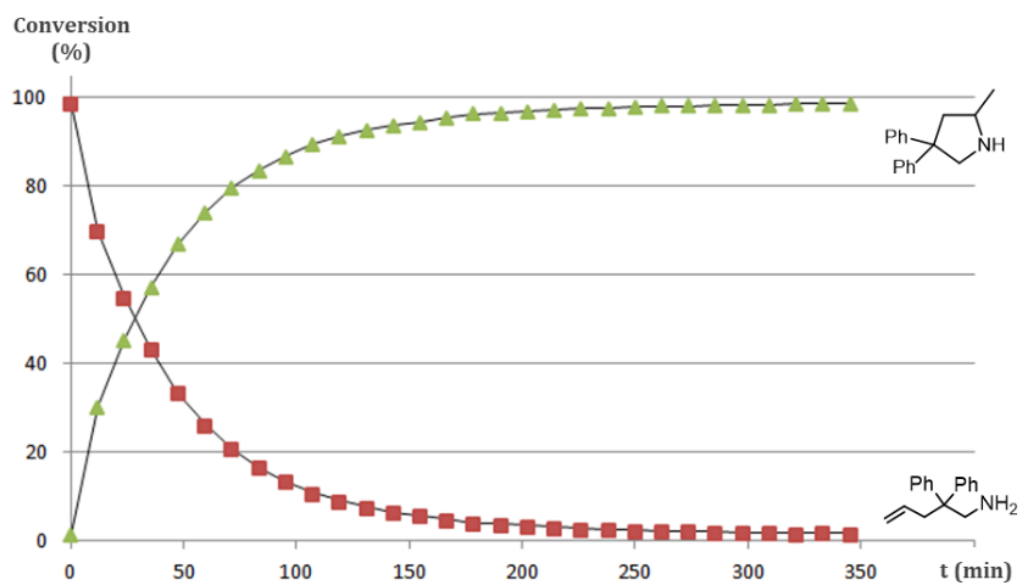
**Figure S7.** Variable temperature  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of the reaction between  $\text{Y}(\text{CH}_2\text{SiMe}_3)_3(\text{THF})_2$  and **5** in  $\text{THF-}d_8$ . The blue dots identify a new  $\text{C}_2$ -symmetric species at  $-30\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ .



**Figure S8.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of  $[(^{3,5}\text{-tBu}_2\text{Bn}_2\text{Cyclam})\text{Y}(\text{CH}_2\text{SiMe}_3)]$ , **7**, at  $-30\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  in  $\text{THF-}d_8$ . The corresponding protons are identified by the coloured dots.



**Figure S9.**  $^1\text{H}$ - $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  HSQC NMR spectrum of  $[(^{3,5}\text{-tBu}_2\text{Bn}_2\text{Cyclam})\text{Y}(\text{CH}_2\text{SiMe}_3)]$ , **7**, at  $-30\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  in  $\text{THF-}d_8$ . The corresponding protons are identified by the coloured dots.



**Figure S10.** Cyclization kinetics of 2,2-diphenyl-pent-4-enylamine catalysed by **6** at room temperature.

**Table S1.** Crystal data and structure refinement for **2-4** and **6**.

	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>
Formula	C <sub>30</sub> H <sub>52</sub> N <sub>5</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> Y	C <sub>54</sub> H <sub>73</sub> BN <sub>5</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> Y	C <sub>40</sub> H <sub>65</sub> ClLiN <sub>4</sub> O <sub>4</sub> Y	C <sub>44</sub> H <sub>72</sub> LiN <sub>4</sub> OY
$F_w$	627.86	948.07	797.26	768.91
Crystal system	Triclinic	Triclinic	Triclinic	Monoclinic
Space group	P-1	P-1	P-1	I2/c
$a$ , Å	9.829(2)	11.878(1)	9.5832(8)	17.5940(9)
$b$ , Å	10.537(2)	16.334(2)	12.368(1)	16.562(1)
$c$ , Å	17.630(2)	19.226(2)	18.243(2)	18.698(2)
$\alpha$ , °	100.138(6)	104.917(5)	78.965(5)	90
$\beta$ , °	98.842(7)	107.311(6)	81.416(6)	108.378(3)
$\gamma$ , °	110.746(6)	105.236(5)	73.368(5)	90
$V$ , Å <sup>3</sup>	1633.9(6)	3199.8(6)	2023.2(3)	5170.6(7)
$Z$	2	2	2	4
$D_c$ , g.cm <sup>-3</sup>	1.276	0.984	1.309	0.988
$\mu$ (Mo K $\alpha$ ), mm <sup>-1</sup>	1.885	0.981	1.551	1.158
$F(000)$	668	1008	848	1656
Crystal size (mm)	0.06 x 0.20 x 0.20	0.10 x 0.20 x 0.20	0.20 x 0.20 x 0.20	0.30 x 0.40 x 0.60
$\theta$ range (°)	2.174 – 25.489	1.191 – 25.485	1.926 – 25.363	1.682 – 25.839
Limiting indices	-11 $\leq h \leq$ 11, -12 $\leq k \leq$ 12, -21 $\leq l \leq$ 21	-14 $\leq h \leq$ 11, -19 $\leq k \leq$ 19, -20 $\leq l \leq$ 23	-11 $\leq h \leq$ 11, -14 $\leq k \leq$ 14, -20 $\leq l \leq$ 21	-21 $\leq h \leq$ 21, -20 $\leq k \leq$ 20, -22 $\leq l \leq$ 22
Refl. collected/unique [ $R_{int}$ ]	16337/6063 [0.0547]	31953/11915 [0.0694]	7955/7419 [0.0491]	35938/5009 [0.0484]
Completeness to $\theta$ (%)	99.7	99.6	67.9	100.0
Refinement method	Full-matrix least squares on $F^2$	Full-matrix least squares on $F^2$	Full-matrix least squares on $F^2$	Full-matrix least squares on $F^2$
Data/restraints/parameters	6008/0/349	11802/6/574	5009/0/460	4956/0/238
Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	0.997	0.894	0.929	1.066
Final $R$ indices [ $I \geq 2\sigma(I)$ ] <sup>a</sup>	$R_1 = 0.0423$ , $wR_2 = 0.0798$	$R_1 = 0.0592$ , $wR_2 = 0.1379$	$R_1 = 0.0483$ , $wR_2 = 0.0878$	$R_1 = 0.0329$ , $wR_2 = 0.0862$
$R$ indices (all data) <sup>a</sup>	$R_1 = 0.0689$ , $wR_2 = 0.0849$	$R_1 = 0.1042$ , $wR_2 = 0.1518$	$R_1 = 0.0974$ , $wR_2 = 0.0990$	$R_1 = 0.0388$ , $wR_2 = 0.0884$
Absorption correction	Multi-scan	Multi-scan	Multi-scan	Multi-scan
Largest diff. peak/hole (eÅ <sup>-3</sup> )	0.492 and -0.297	0.697 and -0.462	0.592 and -0.675	0.351 and -0.419

<sup>a</sup> $R_1 = \Sigma ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \Sigma |F_o|$ ;  $wR_2 = [\Sigma [w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2] / \Sigma [w(F_o^2)^2]]^{1/2}$ .