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o-Phenylene-bridged Cp/amido titanium and zirconium complexes and their polymerization reactivity

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Abstract

o-Phenylene-bridged trimethylcyclopentadienyl/amido titanium complexes $[(\eta^5-2,3,5-Me_3C_5H)C_6H_4NR-\kappa N]TiCl_2$ (**18**, R = CH₃; **19**, R = CH₂CH₃; **20**, R = CH₂C(CH₃)₃; **21**, R = CH₂(C₆H₁₁)) and zirconium complexes $\{[(\eta^5-2,3,5-Me_3C_5H)C_6H_4NR-\kappa N]ZrCl-\mu Cl\}_2$ (**22**, R = CH₃; **23**, R = CH₂CH₃; **24**, R = CH₂C(CH₃)₃; **25**, R = CH₂(C₆H₁₁); **26**, R = C₆H₁₁; **27**, R = CH(CH₂CH₃)₂) are prepared via a key step of the Suzuki-coupling reaction between 2-dihydroxyboryl-3-methyl-2-cyclopenten-1-one (**2**) and the corresponding bromoaniline compounds. The molecular structures of titanium complexes **18** and **19** and dinuclear zirconium complexes **24** and **26** were confirmed by X-ray crystallography. The Cp(centroid)–Ti–N and Cp(centroid)–Zr–N angles are smaller, respectively, than those observed for the Me₂Si-bridged complex [Me₂Si(η⁵-Me₄C₅)(N'Bu)]TiCl₂ and its Zr-analogue, indicating that the *o*-phenylene-bridged complexes are more constrained than the Me₂Si-bridged complex. Titanium complex **19** exhibits comparable activity and comonomer incorporation to the CGC ([Me₂Si(η⁵-Me₄C₅)(N'Bu)]TiCl₂) in ethylene/1-octene copolymerization. Complex **19** produces a higher molecular-weight polymer than CGC.

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1. Introduction

The Constrained-Geometry Catalyst (CGC), $[Me_2Si(\eta^5-Me_4C_5)(N'Bu)]TiCl_2$ [1] is a typical representative among the homogeneous Ziegler–Natta catalysts [2,3]. Its activated complex is thermally stable and provides a high molecular-weight polymer with a high content of α -olefin in ethylene/ α -olefin copolymerizations, thereby enabling its use in commercial processes. This catalyst is based on a ligand design first introduced by Bercaw for scandium complex [4]. The ligand is prepared by successive attacks of tetramethylcyclopentadienyl-anion and *tert*-BuNHanion onto Me₂SiCl₂. A number of its derivatives have been prepared through the replacement of the Me₄C₅-unit with other π -donor ligands such as substituted cyclopentadienyls, indenyls, or fluorenyls [5]. Derivatization through the replacement of the *tert*-BuN-unit with other amides or phosphides has been also commonly reported [6]. However, the modification on the bridge-unit by replacing the Me₂Si-bridge to hydrocarbyl-based ones has been rare and relatively unsuccessful because it requires a different synthetic route. Erker reported preparation of alkylidene (R¹R²C) bridged complexes, but their activities for ethylene polymerization are significantly lower than those of the standard CGC [7,8]. Ethylene-bridged complex, [(η⁵-Me₄Cp)CH₂CH₂(N'Bu)]TiCl₂ was prepared, but it exhibited a much lower α-olefin incorporation [9].

Recently, we disclosed a synthetic route for o-phenylenebridged complexes Eq. (1). A key step in this novel route is the Suzuki-coupling reaction between 2-bromoaniline derivatives and the boronic acids of cyclopentenones

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(1-2), which can be prepared in a 30 g scale without column chromatography [10]. The route allows for a number of complexes, especially through derivatization on the amide-unit. Among the prepared amido [10], sulfonamido [11], carboxamido [12], and phosphinoamido complexes [13], the amido complexes exhibited the best catalytic performance. Contrary to the observation on the Me₂Sibridged CGC complexes, tert-butyl amido complex 5 exhibited not only a low activity but also a low α -olefin incorporation, while the secondary hydrocarbyl-based amido complexes 3 and 4 showed a good activity and good α -olefin incorporation [10a]. These polymerization results prompt us to prepare sterically less bulky primary hydrocarbyl-based amido complexes. The preparation of the zirconium complexes using the same o-phenylene-bridged Cp/amide ligand system and their reactivity are another concern.



2. Results and discussion

2.1. Synthesis and characterization

Various N-alkylated anilines containing trimethylcyclopentadienyl-unit at 2-position are prepared (Scheme 1). N-(primary alkyl)-o-bromoanilines (8-9) are prepared by reductive amination reaction between o-bromoaniline and the corresponding aldehydes [14]. The Suzuki-coupling reaction of 6-9 with 2-dihydroxyboryl-3,4-dimethyl-2cyclopenten-1-one (2) affords the corresponding cyclopentenones 10-13 in excellent yields (89-92%). The yields for the transformation of cyclopentenone compounds 10-13 to trimethylcyclopentadiene compounds 14-17 are significantly improved by employing recently reported THF-soluble CeCl₃/2LiCl reagent [15]. Thus, the addition of two equivalents of MeLi in the presence of two equivalents of THF-soluble CeCl₃/2LiCl provides the desired ligands 14-17 in high yields (87-91%). Elimination reaction of the resulting tertiary alcohol is accomplished during the aqueous HCl work-up.

Treatment Ti(NMe₂)₄ to **14–17** at 80 °C for 1 day provides cleanly the corresponding bis(dimethylamido)tita-



Scheme 1. ^aLegend: (i) **2**, Na_2CO_3 , $Pd(PPh_3)_4$ (1 mol%); (ii) $MeLi/(CeCl_3-2LiCl)$, then HCl (2 N); and (iii) $Ti(NMe_2)_4$ then Me_2SiCl_2 .

nium complexes which are directly transformed to the desired dichlorotitanium complexes 18-21 in excellent yields (overall 72-94%) through the treatment of Me₂SiCl₂ at room temperature for 6 hours. The ¹H NMR spectra indicate that both Me₂N-ligands are replaced with the chloride-ligands, and a Cp-H signal is observed at 6.0 ppm (C_6D_6). A doublet *o*-phenylene-H signal is markedly up-filed shifted by the chlorination, and it is observed at 5.96, 6.03, 6.37, and 6.30 ppm for 18, 19, 20, and 21, respectively. The corresponding o-phenylene-H signal is observed at 6.44, 6.45, 6.64, and 6.55 ppm, respectively, in the ¹H NMR spectra of the corresponding bis(dimethylamido)titanium complexes. The two methylene protons on N-CH₂CH₃ unit in 19 are diastereotopic to each other, and hence two signals are separately observed at 4.32 and 4.39 ppm as a doublet quartet $(^2J_{HH} = 15.2, ^3J_{HH} =$ 6.8 Hz). The N-C H_2 methylene protons in **21** are also separately observed at 4.35 and 4.46 ppm as a doublet $({}^{2}J_{HH} = 15.6, {}^{3}J_{HH} = 7.6 \text{ Hz})$. Three Cp–CH₃ signals are observed in the range of 1.6-2.2 ppm as a sharp singlet. In the ¹H NMR spectrum of **20**, the N–C H_2 signal and the two $Cp-CH_3$ signals among the three $Cp-CH_3$ signals are significantly broadened, which might be attributed to a slow rotation around the N-CH₂ axis in the NMR time scale.

The zirconium dichloride complexes are prepared in good yields (63-89%) using the same strategy applied for the preparation of the titanium complexes with $Zr(NMe_2)_4$ instead of Ti(NMe₂)₄ (Scheme 2). Contrary to the observation in the titanium complexes, a doublet *o*-phenylene-*H* signal is not up-filed shifted by the chlorination, and a single N–CH₂ signal is observed, not separated. In the ¹H NMR spectra of **23**, **24**, and **25**, the N–CH₂ signal is observed at 3.95 ppm as a quartet, at 3.78 ppm as a singlet, and at 3.78 ppm as a doublet. The *ortho*-C₆H₄ signal and the N–CH signal are very broad at 6.4–6.6 ppm and 3.3–3.5 ppm, respectively, in the ¹H NMR spectrum of **26**.



2.2. X-ray crystallographic studies

Single crystals of titanium complexes 18 and 19 are obtained from benzene solution at room temperature through the slow evaporation of the solvent. The X-ray crystallographic studies confirm the structures, which are shown in Figs. 1 and 2, and the selected bond distances and angles are summarized in Table 1. The Cp(centroid)-Ti-N angles (105.11° and 104.90° for 18 and 19, respectively) are smaller than that observed for the standard CGC, $[Me_2Si(\eta^5-Me_4C_5)(N^tBu)]TiCl_2$ (107.6°) [16]. All the *o*-phenylene-bridged complexes characterized by the X-ray crystallography have exhibited smaller Cp(centroid)-Ti-N angles than the CGC (104.7° for $[2-(n^5 Me_3C_5H$)- C_6H_4 - NC_6H_{11} - κN]TiCl₂ [10]; 100.91° for $[2-(\eta^5-Me_3C_5H)-C_6H_4-NSO_2C_6H_4CH_3-\kappa^2N, O]TiCl_2$ [11]; 101.36° for $[2-(\eta^5-Me_3C_5H)-C_6H_4-NC(O)tBu-\kappa^2N, O]$ -TiCl₂ [12]; 103.19° for $[2-(\eta^5-Me_3C_5H)-C_6H_4-N-PPh_2 \kappa^2 N$, *P*[TiCl₂) [13]. The Cp(centroid)–Ti–N angle has been used as a qualitative measure for "constrained geometry". The smaller the angle, the more pronounced the "constrained geometry" feature should be. The smaller angles observed for the o-phenylene-bridged complexes imply that the o-phenylene-bridge framework provides a more constrained feature in the complexes than the Me₂Si-bridge framework. The bridge atoms in the o-phenylene-bridged complexes are not situated in a severely strained position. The *ipso*-carbon (C(9)) is placed almost on the cyclopentadienyl plane (C(centroid)-C(bridgehead)-C(ipso) angle, 170.07° and 170.08° for 18 and 19, respectively). The



Fig. 1. Thermal ellipsoid plot (30% probability level) of 18.



Fig. 2. Thermal ellipsoid plot (30% probability level) of 19.

Ti–Cp(centroid) vector is situated almost perpendicularly to the cyclopentadienyl plane (Ti–Cp(centroid)–C(bridgehead) angle, 89.11° and 88.83° for **18** and **19**, respectively). On the contrary, the bridging silicon atom in the CGC and the bridge carbon atom in the C1-bridged Cp/amido complexes are situated severely deviated from the cyclopentadienyl plane. The Cp(centroid)–C(bridgehead)–Si angles for C₅R₄SiMe₂(N-*t*-Bu) titanium complexes [16] are 150–154°, and the corresponding Cp(centroid)–C(bridgehead)–C(bridge) angles for C1-bridged Cp/amido titanium complexes are 152–156° [8].

The Cp(centroid)–Ti distances are slightly smaller in **18** and **19** (2.001 and 2.002 Å, respectively) than that observed for the standard CGC (2.030 Å), while the Ti–N distances (1.911(3) and 1.919(3) Å for **18** and **19**, respectively) are slightly longer than that in CGC (1.907(4) Å). The Ti–Cl distances are also slightly longer than those in CGC. The Cl–Ti–Cl angles are wider in **18** and **19** (105.16(4)° and 103.97(5)°, respectively) than that observed for the CGC (102.97(7)°).

Single crystals of zirconium complexes **24** and **26** are obtained through layer diffusion of pentane onto a benzene solution at room temperature. The X-ray crystallographic studies reveal μ -chloro dimeric structures, which are shown in Figs. 3 and 4. The selected bond distances and angles are tabulated compared with those observed for the titanium complexes and the zirconium analogue of the standard CGC, [Me₂Si(η^5 -Me₄C₅)(N'Bu)]ZrCl₂ (Table 1). One Zi-Cl bond distance is normal (2.4414(13) and 2.4314(11) Å for **24** and **26**, respectively), while the other Zr-Cl(μ) bond distance is long (2.7449(10) and 2.7239(11) for **24** and **26**, respectively). The Cl–Zr–Cl angles are also deviated from the one observed for the monomeric Cp/amido zirconium or titanium dichloride complexes. The formation of μ -chloro dinuclear zirconium complexes

Table 1

	18	19	CGC-Ti ^a	24	26	CGC–Zr ^b
M–Cp(cent)	2.001	2.002	2.030	2.168	2.165	2.163
M-C(1) (bridgehead-C)	2.320(3)	2.313(4)		2.450(4)	2.455(4)	
M-C(2)	2.344(3)	2.335(4)		2.454(4)	2.486(4)	
M-C(5)	2.330(3)	2.348(4)		2.507(4)	2.478(4)	
M-C(3)H (peripheral-C)	2.331(3)	2.329(4)		2.474(5)	2.483(4)	
$M-C(4)CH_3$ (peripheral-C)	2.359(3)	2.368(4)		2.517(4)	2.490(4)	
M–N	1.911(3)	1.919(3)	1.907(4)	2.072(3)	2.058(3)	2.052(2)
M-Cl(1)	2.2760(9)	2.2809(13)	2.2635(11)	2.4414(13)	2.7449(10)	2.4065(10)
M-Cl(2)	2.2764(10)	2.2816(11)		2.7239(11)	2.4314(11)	2.4082(10)
Cp(cent)-M-N	105.11	104.90	107.6	99.79	99.13	102.0
Cl(1)-M-Cl(2)	105.16(4)	103.97(5)	102.97(7)	80.28(4)	79.40(4) (4)	104.92(4)
				73.30	74.43	
				131.22(4)	130.69	
Cp(cent)-C(1)-C(9)	170.07	170.08		172.88	173.40	
C(1)-Cp(cent)-M	89.11	88.83		88.49	88.95	
M - N - C(10)	127.67(19)	127.7(2)		127.8(3)	129.4(3)	
M-N-C(15)	115.2(2)	113.7(2)		113.9(3)	107.4(2)	
C(10)-N-C(15)	117.1(3)	118.7(3)		117.5(4)	123.1(3)	
C(1)-C(9)-C(10)	112.9(3)	113.1(3)		114.8(3)	114.7(3)	
C(9)-C(10)-N	114.4(3)	114.0(3)		114.7(4)	114.4(4)	

Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (°) in 18, 19, 24, 26, $[(\eta^5-Me_4Cp)CH_2CH_2(N'Bu)]TiCl_2$, and $[(\eta^5-Me_4Cp)CH_2CH_2(N'Bu)]ZrCl_2$

^a [(η⁵-Me₄Cp)CH₂CH₂(N'Bu)]TiCl₂, data from Ref. [16].

^b $[(\eta^5-Me_4Cp)CH_2CH_2(N'Bu)]ZrCl_2$, data from Ref. [16].



Fig. 3. Thermal ellipsoid plot (30% probability level) of 24.



Fig. 4. Thermal ellipsoid plot (30% probability level) of 26.

is in contrast with the monomeric structure observed for the [Me₂Si(η^5 -Me₄C₅)(N^{*t*}Bu)]ZrCl₂. That is, in the monomeric structure of [Me₂Si(η^5 -Me₄C₅)(N^{*t*}Bu)]ZrCl₂, the Cl–Zr–Cl angle (104.92(4)°) is normal, and the two Zr–Cl distances (2.4065(10) and 2.4082(10) Å) are almost the same [16].

The Cp(centroid)-Zr-N angles (99.79° and 99.13° for 24 and 26, respectively) are smaller than that observed for the zirconium analogue of the CGC, $[Me_2Si(\eta^5-Me_4C_5) (N^{t}Bu)$]ZrCl₂ (102.0°) still indicating the more constrained feature in the *o*-phenylene bridged complexes than in the Me₂Si-bridged complex. The more opened nature around the zirconium center in the o-phenylene bridged Cp/amido complexes, which is inferred from the smaller Cp(centroid)-Zr-N angles, might result in the formation of µ-chloro dinuclear complexes. Similar µ-chloro dinuclear structures were observed for the more constrained C1bridged zirconium dichloride complexes [8]. The elements constituting the chelation are not also situated in a severely strained position as is observed for the titanium complexes (Cp(centroid)–C(bridgehead)–C(ipso) angle, 172.88° and 173.40° for 24 and 26, respectively). The sum of bond angles around the N atoms for both titanium and zirconium complexes, namely, 18, 19, 24, and 26, is very close to 360°, which is consistent with the sp²-hybridization of the N atom.

2.3. Polymerization studies

The newly prepared complexes and **3–4** are tested for ethylene/1-octene copolymerization after activation with $(Ph_3C)[B(C_6F_5)_4]$ and *i*Bu₃Al. The triisobutylaluminum is added both as a scavenger of the polar impurities and as

Table 2 Ethylene/1-octene copolymerization results^a

Entry	Complex	Yield (g)	Activity ^b	[Oct] ^c	$M_{ m w}$	$M_{\rm w}/M_{\rm n}$
1	18	0.29	12	14	433000	2.6
2	19	0.75	30	16	415000	2.2
3	20	0.99	40	9	226000	2.2
4	21	0.27	11	15	525000	2.4
5	3	0.57	23	11	315000	2.2
6	4	0.56	22	13	514000	2.5
7	22–27	negligible				
8	CGC ^d	0.97	39	18	192000	2.6

^a Polymerization conditions: 30 mL toluene solution of 1-octene (0.3 M, 1.0 g), 0.50 μ mol Ti, 2.0 μ mol [Ph₃C][B(C₆F₅)₄], 0.20 mmol Al(*i*Bu)₃, 60 psig ethylene, 3 min, initial temperature 70 °C.

⁹ Averaged activity in 2 or 3 runs in unit of 10⁶ g/molTi h.

^c c1-Octene content in the copolymer determined by the ¹H NMR.

^d [Me₂Si(η^{5} -Me₄Cp)(N'Bu)]TiCl₂.

an alkylating agent. The polymerization conditions and the results are summarized in Table 2. Ethylamido titanium complex **19** and neopentylamido titanium complex **20** exhibit higher activities than secondary-hydrocarbyl amido titanium complexes **3** and **4**, and the activities of **19** and **20** (30 and 40×10^6 g/molTi h, respectively) are comparable to that of the standard CGC (39 g/molTi h). The activities of the methylamido complex **18** and cyclohexylmethylamido complexes **22–27** show a negligible activity under the same conditions.

The 1-octene content in the copolymer is dependent on the size of the substituent on the nitrogen atom. Primaryhydrocarbyl amido titanium complexes 18, 19, and 21 are able to incorporate more 1-octene (14, 16, 15 mol%, respectively) than secondary-hydrocarbyl amido titanium complexes 3 and 4 (11 and 13 mol%, respectively). The 1-octene incorporation ability of neopentylamido titanium complex 20 is inferior (9 mol%) even though it is a primaryhydrocarbyl amido titanium complex. This low 1-octene incorporation might be attributed to the bulkiness of the neopentyl group. Ethylamido complex 19, which shows fairly good activity, can incorporate the highest amount of 1-octene, but the incorporated amount (16 mol%) is slightly less than that observed for the polymer obtained with the standard CGC (18 mol%). The molecular weights of the polymers obtained with the o-phenylene-bridged complexes are higher than that of the polymer obtained with CGC. The molecular weight of the polymer obtained with 19 ($M_{\rm w}$, 415000) is almost two times higher than that of the polymer obtained with CGC (M_w , 192000). The molecular weight distributions are narrow in all cases $(M_{\rm w}/M_{\rm n}, 2.2-2.6)$, indicating a single active site.

3. Experimental

3.1. General remarks

All manipulations were performed under an inert atmosphere using standard glovebox and Schlenk techniques. Toluene, pentane, THF, and C_6D_6 were distilled from benzophenone ketyl. Me_2SiCl_2 and Me_3SiCl were dried over CaH_2 and transferred under the vacuum to reservoirs. The NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian Mercury plus 400. Elemental analyses were carried out at the Analytical Center, Kyunghee University. Mass spectra were obtained on a Micromass VG Autospec. Gel permeation chromatograms (GPC) were obtained at 140 °C in trichlorobenzene using Waters Model 150-C+GPC and the data were analyzed using a polystyrene analyzing curve. Compound **2** was prepared according to the procedure and conditions reported in the literature [10a].

3.2. Compound 8

2-Bromoaniline (4.25 g, 24.71 mmol) and trimethylacetadehyde (3.19 g, 37.1 mmol) were dissolved in toluene (60 mL) and molecular sieves (4.0 g) were added. The flask was sealed with a screw-cap and heated at 100 °C for 2 days. After the molecular sieves were filtered off, all volatiles were removed under vacuum at 60 °C to give a crude imine compound. The imine compound was dissolved in degassed methanol (75 mL). After sodium borohydride (2.80 g, 74.13 mmol) was added slowly under a weak stream of nitrogen gas, the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h. Aqueous 1 N KOH (75 mL) was added, and the product was extracted with methylene chloride (100 mL \times 2). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous MgSO₄ and then the solvent was removed with a rotary evaporator to give a residue which was purified by column chromatography on silica gel eluting with hexane and ethyl acetate (v/v, 10:1). Yellow oil was obtained (3.65 g, 65%). IR (neat): 3423 (N-H) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (C₆D₆): δ 0.82 (s, 9H, CH₃), 2.61 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H, N–CH₂), 4.38 (br s, 1H, NH), 6.40 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 6.44 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 7.01 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.37 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4) ppm. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (C_6D_6): δ 27.71, 31.97, 55.54, 110.22, 111.63, 117.64, 128.71, 132.60, 145.82 ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z calcd ([M]⁺ C₁₁H₁₆BrN) 241.0466. Found: 241.0470%.

3.3. Compound 9

The compound was synthesized using the same conditions and procedure as those for **8** with cyclohexanecarboxaldehyde. It was purified by column chromatography on silica gel eluting with hexane and ethyl acetate (v/v, 10:1). Light yellow oil was obtained in 63% yield. IR (neat): 3408 (N–H) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (C₆D₆): δ 0.72–0.80 (m, 2H, Cy), 1.02–1.12 (m, 4H, Cy), 1.28–1.33 (m, 1H, Cy), 1.58– 1.65 (m, 4H, Cy), 2.66 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H, N–CH₂), 4.34 (br s, 1H, NH), 6.40 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.44 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.01 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.38 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄) ppm. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (C₆D₆): δ 26.43, 27.04, 31.55, 37.65, 50.57, 110.01, 111.58, 117.60, 128.73, 132.66, 145.56 ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z calcd ([M]⁺ C₁₃H₁₃BrN) 267.0623. Found: 267.0620%.

3.4. Compound 10

Compound 2 (0.63 g, 4.09 mmol), Na₂CO₃ (0.65 g, 6.14 mmol), Pd(PPh₃)₄ (0.14 g, 0.12 mmol), and compound 6 (0.73 g, 3.90 mmol) were added into a Schlenk flask inside a glovebox. The flask was brought out from the glove box and degassed DME (23 mL) and degassed water (7.5 mL) were successively added with a syringe. The mixture was stirred at 95 °C overnight. After the solution was cooled to room temperature, it was transferred to a separatory funnel containing ethyl acetate (25 mL). Water (25 mL) was added and then the organic phase was collected. The water phase was extracted with additional ethyl acetate (10 mL \times 2). The combined organic phase was dried over anhydrous MgSO₄. The solvent was removed with a rotary evaporator to give a residue which was purified by column chromatography on silica gel eluting with hexane and ethyl acetate (v/v, 3:1). A light yellow solid was obtained (0.76 g, 91%). M.p. 88 °C. IR (neat): 3394 (N–H) cm⁻¹, 1690 (C=O) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (C₆D₆): δ 0.73 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.57 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.82 (dd, J = 18.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.15–2.22 (m, 2H, CH), 2.40 (dd, J = 18.4, 6.4 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.47 (s, 3H, N-CH₃), 4.11 (br s, 1H, NH), 6.64 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.83 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 6.99 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 7.26 (td, $J = 8.8, 1.6 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, C_6\text{H}_4) \text{ ppm.} {}^{13}\text{C}{}^{1}\text{H} \text{NMR} (C_6\text{D}_6):$ δ 16.02, 19.19, 30.84, 37.75, 43.63, 111.04, 117.07, 119.10, 131.03, 140.02, 148.26, 177.19, 205.65 ppm. Anal. Calc. (C₁₄H₁₇NO): C, 78.10; H, 7.96; N, 6.51. Found: C, 77.83; H, 8.26; N, 6.45%.

3.5. Compound 11

The compound was synthesized using the same conditions and procedure as those for 10 with 7. It was purified by column chromatography on silica gel eluting with hexane and ethyl acetate (v/v, 3:1). A light yellow solid was obtained (89%). M.p. 84 °C. IR (neat): 3401 (N–H) cm⁻¹, 1682 (C=O) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (C₆D₆): δ 0.73 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.02 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.60 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.82 (dd, J = 18.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.16– 2.22 (m, 1H, CH), 2.40 (dd, J = 18.4, 7.2 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.88 (q, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H, N–CH₂), 4.11 (br s, 1H, NH), 6.68 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.82 (td, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 7.00 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 7.25 (td, J = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄) ppm. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (C₆D₆): δ 15.07, 16.13, 19.25, 37.75, 38.84, 43.63, 111.67, 117.06, 119.05, 129.52, 131.23, 135.14, 147.49, 177.05, 205.60 ppm. Anal. Calc. (C₁₅H₁₉NO): C, 78.56; H, 8.35; N, 6.11. Found: C, 78.89; H, 8.34; N, 6.37%.

3.6. Compound 12

The compound was synthesized using the same conditions and procedure as those for 10 with 8. It was purified by column chromatography on silica gel eluting with hexane and ethyl acetate (v/v, 3:1). A light yellow solid was obtained (93%). M.p. 73 °C. IR (neat): 3422 (N–H) cm⁻¹, 1691 (C=O) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (C₆D₆): δ 0.79 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 0.91 (s, 9H, CH₃), 1.61 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.84 (dd, J = 18.4, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.20–2.24 (m, 1H, CH), 2.43 (dd, J = 18.0, 6.4 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.70–2.79 (m, 2H, N–CH₂), 4.16 (br s, 1H, NH), 6.71 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.81 (td, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.99 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.24 (td, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄) ppm. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (C₆D₆): δ 16.14, 19.63, 28.03, 31.84, 37.75, 43.71, 56.10, 111.65, 116.94, 119.07, 129.47, 131.11, 135.24, 139.98, 147.77, 177.18, 205.40 ppm. Anal. Calc. (C₁₃H₂₅NO): C, 79.66; H, 9.28; N, 5.16. Found: C, 79.62; H, 8.94; N, 5.02%.

3.7. Compound 13

The compound was synthesized using the same conditions and procedure as those for 10 with 9. It was purified by column chromatography on silica gel eluting with hexane and ethyl acetate (v/v, 3:1). A light yellow solid was obtained (92%). M.p. 70 °C. IR (neat): 3409 (N-H) cm⁻¹, 1682 (C=O) cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (C₆D₆): δ 0.76 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 0.85–0.93 (m, 2H, Cy), 1.03–1.20 (m, 3H, Cy), 1.46–1.66 (m, 4H, Cy), 1.62 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.77–1.81 (m, 2H, Cy), 1.83 (dd, J = 18.4, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.17–2.23 (m, 1H, CH), 2.41 (dd, J = 18.4, 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.83 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H, N–CH₂), 4.26 (br s, 1H, NH), 6.73 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.81 (td, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.99 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 7.26 (td, J = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4) ppm. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (C₆D₆): δ 16.14, 19.39, 26.53, 27.13, 31.79, 37.77, 38.07, 43.67, 51.18, 111.67, 116.88, 119.02, 129.50, 131.22, 140.16, 147.63, 177.14, 205.52 ppm. Anal. Calc. (C₂₀H₂₇NO): C, 80.76; H, 9.15; N, 4.71. Found: C, 80.98; H, 8.99; N, 4.82%.

3.8. Compound 14

The CeCl₃/2LiCl solution in THF (0.33 M; 17 mL, 5.45 mmol), which was prepared according to the literature method [15], was added into a Schlenk flask. After the solution was cooled to -78 °C, MeLi (3.5 mL, 1.6 M in diethyl ether, 5.45 mmol) was added with a syringe. The solution was stirred for 1 h at -78 °C. Compound 10 (0.59 g, 2.73 mmol) dissolved in THF (1.0 mL) was added with a syringe. After the mixture was stirred for 2 h at -78 °C, it was transferred to a separatory funnel containing ethyl acetate (10 mL) and water (5 mL). The organic phase was collected and the water phase was further extracted with additional ethyl acetate (5 mL \times 2). The combined organic phase was washed with water (10 mL) and it was shaken vigorously with aqueous HCl solution (2 N, 5 mL) for 2 min. Aqueous saturated NaHCO₃ (10 mL) was added carefully to neutralize the water phase. The organic phase was collected and dried over anhydrous MgSO₄. The solvent was removed with a rotary evaporator to give a residue which was purified by column chromatography on

silica gel eluting with hexane and ethyl acetate (v/v, 30:1). A light yellow solid was obtained (0.53 g, 91%). M.p. 39 °C. ¹H NMR (C₆D₆): δ 1.75 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.84 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.88 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.40 (d, 3H, N–CH₃), 2.67 (AB, J = 22.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.75 (AB, J = 22.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.67 (AB, J = 22.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.75 (AB, J = 22.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.65 (br d, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H, NH), 6.60 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.84 (td, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.11 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.27 (td, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄) ppm, ¹³C{¹H} NMR (C₆D₆): δ 12.00, 13.85, 14.55, 30.55, 49.06, 109.66, 116.82, 122.86, 128.71, 130.14, 133.15, 136.43, 136.97, 140.78, 147.47 ppm. Anal. Calc. (C₁₅H₁₉N): C, 84.46; H, 8.98; N, 6.57. Found: C, 84.60; H, 8.74; N, 6.38%.

3.9. Compound 15

The compound was synthesized using the same conditions and procedure as those for **14** with **11**. It was purified by column chromatography on silica gel eluting with hexane and ethyl acetate (v/v, 30:1). Light yellow oil was obtained in 87% yield. ¹H NMR (C₆D₆): δ 0.87 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.78 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 1.87 (s, 6H, CH₃), 2.67 (AB, J = 22.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.76 (AB, J = 22.4 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.71 (br s, 1H, NH), 6.66 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.84 (td, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.12 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.26 (td, J = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄) ppm, ¹³C{¹H} NMR (C₆D₆): δ 12.05, 13.85, 14.62, 15.04, 38.47, 49.04, 110.27, 116.79, 122.88, 128.67, 130.36, 133.31, 136.32, 136.87, 140.82, 146.48 ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z calcd ([M]⁺ C₁₆H₂₁N) 227.1674. Found: 227.1674%.

3.10. Compound 16

The compound was synthesized using the same conditions and procedure as those for 14 with 12. It was purified by column chromatography on silica gel eluting with hexane and ethyl acetate (v/v, 30:1). Yellow oil was obtained in 91% yield. ¹H NMR (C₆D₆): δ 0.82 (s, 9H, CH₃), 1.78 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.85 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.88 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.68 (AB, J = 22.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.75 (AB, J = 22.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.73–2.81 (m, 2H, N–CH₂), 3.93 (br t, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H, NH), 6.72 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.85 (td, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.14 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4 , 7.28 (td, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4) ppm, ¹³C{¹H} NMR (C₆D₆): δ 12.07, 13.82, 14.67, 27.80, 32.12, 49.05, 55.91, 110.28, 116.65, 122.90, 128.65, 130.18, 133.37, 136.26, 137.07, 140.82, 147.12 ppm. HRMS (EI): m/z calcd ([M]⁺ C₁₉H₂₇N) 269.2143. Found: 269.2144%.

3.11. Compound 17

The compound was synthesized using the same conditions and procedure as those for 14 with 13. It was purified by column chromatography on silica gel eluting with hexane and ethyl acetate (v/v, 30:1). Light yellow oil was obtained in 87% yield. ¹H NMR (C₆D₆): δ 0.75–0.81 (m, 2H, Cy), 1.03–1.12 (m, 2H, Cy), 1.32–1.37 (m, 2H, Cy) 1.56–1.65 (m, 6H, Cy), 1.80 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.86 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.90 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.67 (AB, J = 22.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.77 (AB, J = 22.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.77–2.85 (m, 2H, N–CH₂), 3.94 (br s, 1H, NH), 6.73 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.85 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.14 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.28 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄) ppm, ¹³C{¹H} NMR (C₆D₆): δ 12.09, 13.85, 14.67, 26.43, 27.09, 31.64, 38.01, 49.09, 51.00, 110.44, 116.69, 122.96, 128.68, 130.34, 133.34, 136.41, 136.41, 137.03, 140.92, 146.85 ppm. HRMS (EI): *m/z* calcd ([M]⁺ C₂₁H₂₉N) 295.2300. Found: 295.2300%.

3.12. Complex 18

Compound 14 (0.238 g, 1.12 mmol), $Ti(NMe_2)_4$ (0.250 g, 1.12 mmol), and toluene (5 mL) were added into a Schlenk flask. The solution was stirred for 1 day at 80 °C. Removal of the solvent gave red oil. The ¹H NMR datum for the intermediate bis(dimethylamido)titanium complex (C_6D_6): δ 1.78 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.85 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.86 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.89 (s, 6H, N-CH₃), 3.23 (s, 6H, N-CH₃), 3.45 (s, 3H, N-CH₃), 5.76 (s, 1H, Cp-H), 6.44 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.94 (td, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 7.22 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 7.32 (td, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄) ppm. The resulting bis(dimethvlamido)titanium complex was dissolved in toluene (5 mL) and Me₂SiCl₂ (0.432 g, 3.35 mmol) was added. After the solution was stirred 6 h at room temperature, all volatiles were removed under vacuum to give a dark red solid which was triturated in pentane (0.35 g, 94%). The analytical data for **18**: ¹H NMR (C_6D_6): δ 1.64 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.74 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.06 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.66 (s, 3H, N-CH₃), 5.96 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 5.99 (s, 1H, Cp–H), 6.95 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.03 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 7.12 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4) ppm. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (C_6D_6): δ 12.66, 14.87, 14.99, 40.11, 108.63, 117.96, 123.50, 128.29, 129.28, 130.85, 131.63, 143.20, 143.68, 144.16, 167.06 ppm. Anal. Calc. (C₁₅H₁₇Cl₂NTi): C: 54.58; H, 5.19; N, 4.24. Found: C, 54.42; H, 5.32; N, 4.05%.

3.13. Complex 19

It was synthesized using the same conditions and procedure as those for **18** with **15**. It was purified by trituration in pentane. Overall yield from **15** was 90%. The ¹H NMR datum for the intermediate bis(dimethylamido)titanium complex (C₆D₆): δ 1.02 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.74 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.84 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.91 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.88 (s, 6H, N–CH₃), 3.12 (s, 6H, N–CH₃), 3.85 (dq, J = 13.6, 6.8 Hz, 1H, N–CH₂), 4.08 (dq, J = 13.6, 6.8 Hz 1H, N–CH₂), 5.72 (s, 1H, Cp–H), 6.46 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.91 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.24 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.28 (td, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄) ppm. The analytical data for **19**: ¹H NMR (C₆D₆): δ 1.10 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.64 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.74 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.07 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.32 (dq, J = 15.2, 6.8 Hz, 1H, N–CH₂), 4.39 (dq, J = 15.2, 16.8 Hz, 1H, N–CH₂), 6.01 (s, 1H, Cp–H), 6.03 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.94 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.04 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.10 (td, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄) ppm. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (C₆D₆): δ 11.56, 12.65, 14.91, 15.03, 45.45, 109.11, 118.00, 123.28, 128.61, 129.16, 131.35, 131.63, 143.05, 143.52, 143.96, 165.28 ppm. Anal. Calc. (C₁₆H₁₉Cl₂NTi): C, 55.85; H, 5.57; N, 4.07. Found: C, 55.98; H, 5.69; N, 3.82%.

3.14. Complex 20

It was synthesized using the same conditions and procedure as those for 18 with 16. It was purified by recrystallization in pentane at -30 °C. Overall yield from 16 was 72%. The ¹H NMR datum for the intermediate bis(dimethvlamido)titanium complex (C_6D_6): δ 0.97 (s, 9H, CH₃), 1.64 (br s, 3H, CH₃), 1.93 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.03 (br s, 3H, CH₃), 3.13 (s, 12H, N–CH₃), 3.81 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH_2), 3.96 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H, CH_2), 5.74 (s, 1H, Cp–H), 6.64 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.83 (td, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 7.21 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 7.22 (td, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄) ppm. The analytical data for 20: ¹H NMR (C_6D_6): δ 1.08 (s, 9H, CH₃), 1.75 (br s, 6H, CH₃), 2.07 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.65 (s, 1H, N-CH₂), 5.32 (s, 1H, N–CH₂), 6.03 (s, 1H, Cp–H), 6.37 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 6.92 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 7.03 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.11 (td, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4) ppm. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (C_6D_6): δ 12.90, 15.00, 31.43, 36.67, 61.24, 110.65, 119.08, 123.16, 128.55, 130.15, 141.92, 166.64 ppm. Anal. Calc. (C₁₉H₂₅Cl₂NTi): C, 59.09; H, 6.53; N, 3.63. Found: C, 58.97; H, 6.59; N, 3.75%.

3.15. Complex 21

It was synthesized using the same conditions and procedure as those for 18 with 17. It was purified by trituration in pentane. Overall yield from 17 was 84%. The ¹H NMR datum for the intermediate bis(dimethylamido)titanium complex (C₆D₆): δ 0.85–1.02 (m, 2H, Cy), 1.12–1.21 (m, 4H, Cy), 1.61–1.73 (m, 5H, Cy), 1.70 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.91 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.93 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.13 (s, 6H, N-CH₃), 3.16 (s, 6H, N–CH₃), 3.76 (dd, J = 14.0, 7.6 Hz, 1H, N–CH₂), 3.95 (dd, J = 14.0, 7.6 Hz, 1H, N–CH₂), 5.74 (s, 1H, Cp–H), 6.55 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.92 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.24 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4 , 7.29 (td, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4) ppm. The analytical data for **21**: ¹H NMR (C_6D_6): δ 1.02–1.07 (m, 2H, Cy), 1.22–1.30 (m, 4H, Cy), 1.50–1.53 (m, 1H, Cy), 1.61 (br d, J = 6.0 Hz, 4H, Cy), 1.69 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.81 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.08 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.35 (dd, J = 15.6, 7.6 Hz, 1H, N–CH₂), 4.46 (dd, J = 15.6, 7.6 Hz, 1H, N–CH₂), 6.01 (s, 1H, Cp–H), 6.30 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.93 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.04 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4 , 7.12 (td, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4) ppm. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (C₆D₆): δ 12.76, 14.97, 15.14, 26.79, 32.06, 32.11, 39.12, 57.74, 110.10, 118.57, 123.18, 128.63, 129.92, 130.78, 132.04, 142.49, 143.40, 143.81, 166.11 ppm. Anal. Calc. (C₂₁H₂₇Cl₂NTi): C, 61.19; H, 6.60; N, 3.40. Found: C, 61.35; H, 6.76; N, 3.28%.

3.16. Complex 22

Compound 14 (0.097 g, 0.46 mmol), Zr(NMe₂)₄ (0.134 g, 0.50 mmol) and toluene (2.5 mL) were added into a Schlenk flask. The solution was stirred for 1 day at 80 °C. Removal of the solvent gave red oil. The ¹H NMR datum for the intermediate bis(dimethylamido)titanium complex (C_6D_6): δ 1.82 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.88 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.90 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.79 (s, 6H, N-CH₃), 3.02 (s, 6H, N-CH₃), 3.18 (s, 3H, N-CH₃), 5.73 (s, 1H, Cp-H), 6.45 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 6.90 (td, J = 7.2, 0.8 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 7.21 (dd, $J = 7.2, 1.6 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, C_6\text{H}_4), 7.32 \text{ (td, } J = 8.0, 1.6 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H},$ C_6H_4) ppm. The resulting bis(dimethylamido)titanium complex was dissolved in toluene (2.5 mL) and Me₃SiCl (0.300 g, 2.76 mmol) was added. After the solution was stirred 6 hours at room temperature, all volatiles were removed under vacuum to give a yellow solid which was triturated in benzene (0.13 g, 77%). The analytical data for 22: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 1.91 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.98 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.34 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.42 (s, 3H, N–CH₃), 6.19 (s, 1H, Cp–H), 6.54 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.03 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.25 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.32(t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄) ppm. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃): δ 12.32, 14.17, 14.26, 34.79, 109.92, 114.06, 120.55, 127.77, 127.35, 127.51, 128.34, 128.99, 129.94, 136.69, 136.98, 139.74, 165.13 ppm. Anal. Calc. (C₁₅H₁₇Cl₂NZr): C: 48.24; H, 4.59; N, 3.75. Found: C, 48.03; H, 4.70; N, 3.84%.

3.17. Complex 23

It was synthesized using the same conditions and procedure as those for 22 with 15. It was purified by recrystallization in CHCl₃. Overall yield from **15** was 64%. The ¹H NMR datum for the intermediate bis(dimethylamido)titanium complex (C₆D₆): δ 1.12 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.81 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.88 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.92 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.78 (s, 6H, N-CH₃), 3.00 (s, 6H, N-CH₃), 3.61-3.75 (m, 2H, N-CH₂), 5.71 (s, 1H, Cp-H), 6.49 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 6.87 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 7.22 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.28 (td, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4) ppm. The analytical data for 23: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 1.35 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.91 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.97 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.34 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.95 (q, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H, N-CH₂), 6.21 (s, 1H, Cp-H), 6.54 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 7.00 (td, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 7.25 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.34 (td, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4) ppm. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃): δ 11.94, 12.21, 13.99, 14.34, 40.89, 110.63, 113.57, 119.86, 125.19, 127.51, 127.87, 128.03, 128.63, 136.43, 138.69, 163.62 ppm. Anal. Calc. (C16H19Cl2NZr): C, 49.60; H, 4.94; N, 3.62. Found: C, 49.57; H, 4.73; N, 3.75%.

It was synthesized using the same conditions and procedure as those for 22 with 16. It was purified by trituration in pentane. Overall yield from 16 was 88%. The ¹H NMR datum for the intermediate bis(dimethylamido)titanium complex (C_6D_6): δ 0.98 (s, 9H, CH₃), 1.74 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.95 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.02 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.69 (s, 6H, N–CH₃), 2.93 (s, 6H, N–CH₃), 3.50 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1H, N–CH₂), 3.69 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H, N–CH₂), 5.73 (s, 1 H, Cp-H), 6.70 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.81 (td, J = 7.2, 0.8 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.21 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.23 (td, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄) ppm. The analytical data for 24: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 1.01 (s, 9H, CH₃), 1.80 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.87 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.26 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.78 (s, 2H, N–CH₂), 6.21 (s, 1H, Cp–H), 6.50 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 6.87 (td, J = 7.2, 0.8 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 7.12 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.18 (td, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4) ppm. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃): δ 11.65, 13.76, 13.78, 30.72, 36.02, 38.44, 38.44, 48.54, 56.43, 112.26, 113.67, 120.46, 126.40, 126.46, 128.23, 128.87, 136.51, 137.09, 163.83 ppm. Anal. Calc. (C₁₉H₂₅Cl₂NZr): C, 53.13; H, 5.87; N, 3.26. Found: C, 53.24; H, 5.60; N, 3.45%.

3.19. Complex 25

It was synthesized using the same conditions and procedure as those for 22 with 17. It was purified by trituration in pentane. Overall yield from 17 was 84%. The ¹H NMR datum for the intermediate bis(dimethylamido)titanium complex (C₆D₆): δ 0.77–0.96 (m, 2H, Cy), 1.06–1.22 (m, 3H, Cy), 1.61–1.74 (m, 6H, Cy), 1.78 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.94 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.95 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.75 (s, 6H, N-CH₃), 2.99 (s, 6H, N–CH₃), 3.51 (dd, J = 14.4, 8.0 Hz, 1H, N-CH₂), 3.62 (dd, J = 14.4, 5.6 Hz, 1H, N-CH₂), 5.73 (s, 1H, Cp–H), 6.59 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.87 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.24 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 7.30 (td, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4) ppm. The analytical data for **25**: ¹H NMR (C_6D_6): δ 1.01–1.18 (m, 4H, Cy), 1.51-1.68 (m, 6H, Cy), 1.72 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.83 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.99–2.04 (m, 1H, Cy), 2.04 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.78 $(d, J = 6.8 \text{ Hz}, 2H, N-CH_2), 5.84 (s, 1H, Cp-H), 6.41 (d, J)$ $J = 8.0 \text{ Hz}, 1 \text{H}, C_6 \text{H}_4), 6.91 \text{ (t, } J = 7.2 \text{ Hz}, 1 \text{H}, C_6 \text{H}_4),$ 7.07 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.18 (td, J = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄) ppm. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (C₆D₆): δ 11.61, 13.69, 13.78, 26.64, 26.80, 32.04, 32.10, 38.05, 53.17, 111.99, 113.57, 120.99, 126.15, 127.58, 128.53, 129.16, 129.24, 136.68, 136.72, 138.20, 164.16 ppm. Anal. Calc. (C₂₁H₂₇Cl₂NZr): C, 55.36; H, 5.97; N, 3.07. Found: C, 55.27; H, 5.89; N, 3.19%.

3.20. Complex 26

It was synthesized using the same conditions and procedure as those for **22** with 2-(Me₃C₅H₂)–C₆H₄– NH(C₆H₁₁). It was purified by trituration in pentane. Overall yield from 2-(Me₃C₅H₂)–C₆H₄– NH(C₆H₁₁) was 89%. The ¹H NMR datum for the intermediate bis(dimethylamido)titanium complex (C_6D_6): δ 1.16–1.22 (m, 2H, Cy), 1.32–1.14 (m, 4H, Cy), 1.66–1.69 (m, 2H, Cy), 1.79–1.83 (m, 2H, Cy), 1.84 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.91 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.99 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.78 (s, 6H, N-CH₃), 2.88 (s, 6H, N-CH₃), 3.66 (br s, 1H, N–CH₂), 5.68 (s, 1H, Cp–H), 6.77 (br d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 6.87 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 7.21 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.28 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4) ppm. The analytical data for **26**: ¹H NMR (C_6D_6): δ 1.14 (br s, 4H, Cy), 1.45 (br s, 2H, Cy), 1.66–1.69 (m, 2H, Cy), 1.72 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.85 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.22-2.04 (m, 2H, Cy), 2.07 (s, 3H, CH₃), 5.90 (s, 1H, Cp-H), 6.51 (br s, 1H, C_6H_4), 6.92 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4), 7.06 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.18 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C_6H_4) ppm. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (C_6D_6): δ 11.54, 13.78, 13.85, 25.87, 26.47, 32.15, 57.33, 111.88, 114.56, 120.77, 129.11, 129.29, 136.23, 136.34, 137.99, 162.08 ppm. Anal. Calc. (C₁₅H₁₇Cl₂NZr): C, 54.40; H, 5.71; N, 3.17. Found: C, 54.67; H, 5.76; N, 3.22%.

3.21. Complex 27

It was synthesized using the same conditions and procedure as those for 22 with $2-(Me_3C_5H_2)-C_6H_4-$ NH[CH(CH₂CH₃)₂]. It was purified by trituration in pentane. Overall yield from 2-(Me₃C₅H₂)-C₆H₄-NH- $[CH(CH_2CH_3)_2]$ was 63%. The ¹H NMR datum for the intermediate bis(dimethylamido)titanium complex (C_6D_6): δ 0.82–1.02 (m, 6H, pentyl-CH₃), 1.81 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.92 (s, 6H, CH₃), 1.95 (br s, 3H, CH₃), 2.78 (br s, 4H, pentyl-CH₃), 2.98 (s, 12H, N-CH₃), 3.57 (br s, 1H, N-CH₂), 5.75 (s, 1H, Cp–H), 6.68 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.82 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.17 (br s, 2H, C₆H₄) ppm. The analytical data for 27: ¹H NMR (C_6D_6): δ 0.94 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H, pentyl-CH₃), 0.96 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H, pentyl-CH₃), 1.69 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.81 (s, 6H, CH₃), 1.80–1.86 (m, 4H, pentyl-CH₂), 2.03 (s, 3H, CH₃), 4.25 (quin, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, N–CH), 5.86 (s, 1H, Cp–H), 6.50 (d, J =8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.88 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.06 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄), 7.08 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C₆H₄) ppm. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (C₆D₆): δ 11.39, 12.38, 12.41, 13.51, 13.60, 27.25, 27.30, 59.83, 113.08, 113.51, 120.95, 126.08, 128.84, 129.59, 136.21, 136.19, 137.93, 162.04 ppm. Anal. Calc. (C₁₉H₂₅Cl₂NZr): C, 53.13; H, 5.87; N, 3.26. Found: C, 52.92; H, 5.93; N, 3.50%.

3.22. Polymerization

In a glove box, 30 mL of toluene solution of 1-octene (1.0 g, 0.30 M) was added to a dried 60 mL glass reactor. The reactor was assembled and brought out from the glovebox. The reactor was then heated to 70 °C by a mantle. After an activated catalyst, which was prepared by mixing the complex (0.50 µmol), $[C(C_6H_5)_3]^+[B(C_6F_5)_4]^-$ (2.0 µmol), and (*i*Bu)_3A1 (0.20 mmol) for 5 min, was added with a syringe, the ethylene gas (60 psig) was fed immediately. After polymerization was conducted for 3 min, the

Table 3						
Crystallographic	parameters	of 18,	19,	24,	and	26

	18	19	24	26	
Formula	C ₁₅ H ₁₇ Cl ₂ NTi		C ₁₉ H ₂₅ Cl ₂ NZr	C ₂₀ H ₂₄ Cl ₂ NZr	
$F_{\rm w}$	330.08	344.11	429.54	440.56	
Size (mm ³)	0.5 imes 0.4 imes 0.3	0.4 imes 0.3 imes 0.3	0.5 imes 0.4 imes 0.4	0.4 imes 0.3 imes 0.3	
a (Å)	7.3913(10)	7.7969(6)	16.4245(8)	9.9199(8)	
$b(\mathbf{A})$	25.769(3)	16.1013(10)	7.4451(5)	10.8132(8)	
c (Å)	7.8466(9)	25.1753(16)	17.6997(9)	10.8662(8)	
α (°)	90	90	90	105.185(2)	
β (°)	98.092(4)	90	117.9866(12)	100.255(2)	
γ (°)	90	90	90	113.116(2)	
$V(Å^3)$	1479.7(3)	3160.5(4)	1911.26(18)	981.40(13)	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Orthorhombic	Monoclinic	Triclinic	
Space group	$P2_1/a$	Pbca	$P2_1/n$	$P\overline{1}$	
\hat{D}_{calc} (g cm ⁻¹)	1.482	1.446	1.493	1.491	
Z	4	8	4	2	
$\mu ({\rm mm}^{-1})$	0.924	0.869	0.854	0.834	
No. of data collected	14372	26253	17206	4429	
No. of unique data $[R(int)]$	3359 [0.0591]	3597 [0.1163]	4331 [0.0628]	4429 [0.0474]	
No. of variables	172	187	214	247	
R (%)	0.0423	0.0700	0.0598	0.0552	
$R_{\rm w}$ (%)	0.0977	0.1649	0.1418	0.1469	
Goodness-of-fit	1.090	1.055	1.113	1.078	

^a Data collected at 150(2) K with Mo K α radiation ($\lambda(K\alpha) = 0.7107$ Å), $R(F) = \Sigma ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \Sigma |F_o|$ with $F_o > 2.0\sigma(I)$, $R_w = [\Sigma[w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2] / \Sigma[w(F_o)^2]^2]^{1/2}$ with $F_o > 2.0\sigma(I)$.

ethylene gas was vented. Acetone was added to the reactor to give white precipitates which were collected by filtration, and then they were dried under vacuum at 60 °C. The 1-octene contents were calculated by the analysis of the ¹H NMR spectra of the copolymers. In the ¹H NMR spectra, the methyl (CH₃) signal (0.93–1.02 ppm) is well isolated from the methine (CH) and methylene (CH_2) signals (1.30-1.50 ppm), and the 1-octene content can be calculated from the integration values of the two regions by the equation of [1-octene] (mol%) = $[(B/3)]/\{(B/3) +$ $[A - (B/3) \times 13]/4$, where A is the integration value of 1.6-1.2 ppm region and B is the integration value of 1.0-0.85 ppm region. The integration values were rather sensitively changeable depending on the conditions of the instrument shimming, signal phase, or integration phase. However, cutting with seizers and weighing the two signals after printing the spectrum on a paper in the 0.5–2.0 ppm region gave consistently invariable values. The copolymer (5 mg) was dissolved in C_6D_6 , and the ¹H NMR spectra were recorded at 80 °C.

3.23. X-ray crystallography

Crystals of 18, 19, 24, and 26 coated with grease (Apiezon N) were mounted onto a thin glass fiber with epoxy glue and placed in a cold nitrogen stream at 150(2) K on Rigaku single crystal X-ray diffractometer. The structures were solved by direct methods (SHELXL-97) and refined against all F^2 data (SHELXL-97). All non-hydrogen atoms were refined with anisotropic thermal parameters. The hydrogen atoms were treated as idealized contributions. The crystal data and refinement results are summarized in Table 3.

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Appendix A. Supplementary material

CCDC 661641, 661642, 661643, 661644 contain the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper. These data can be obtained free of charge from The Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre via www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/ data_request/cif. Supplementary data associated with this article can be found, in the online version, at doi:10.1016/j.jorganchem.2007.11.021.

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