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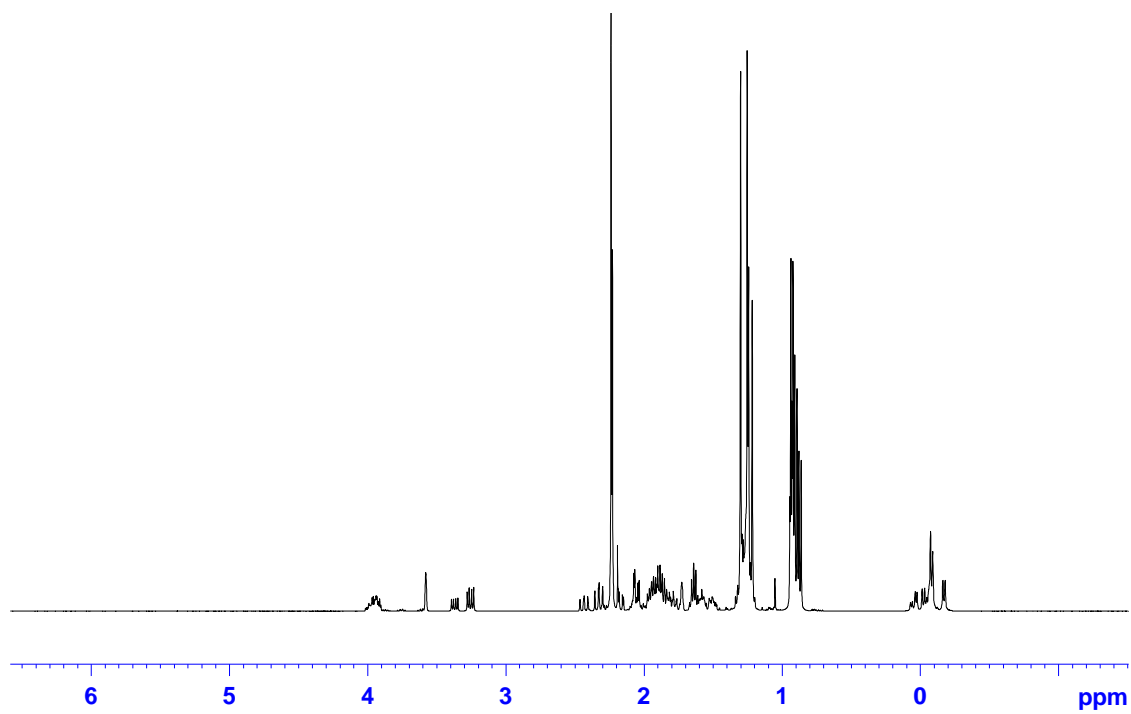
**Contrasting reactivity of mono-TMP versus bis-TMP (2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidide) lithium aluminates towards polydentate Lewis bases:  
Cocomplexation versus deprotonation**

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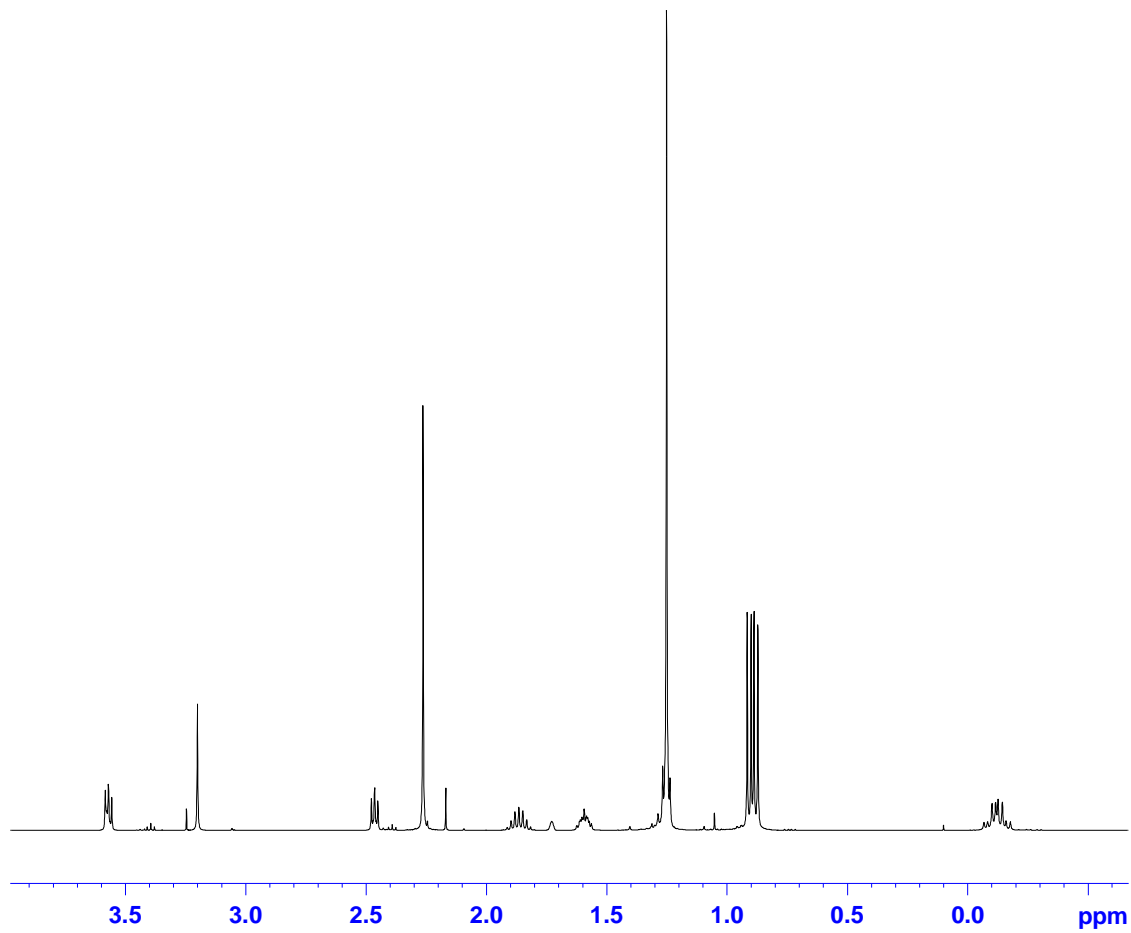
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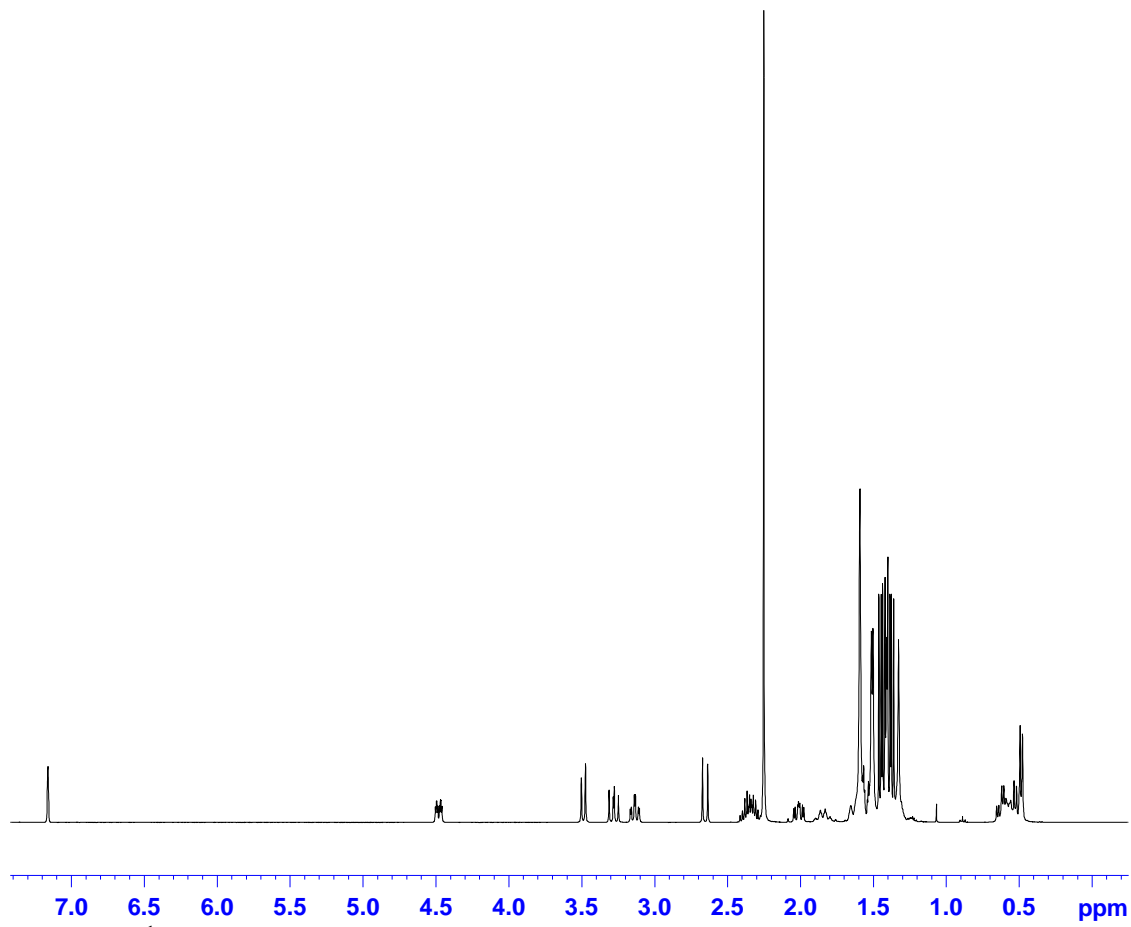
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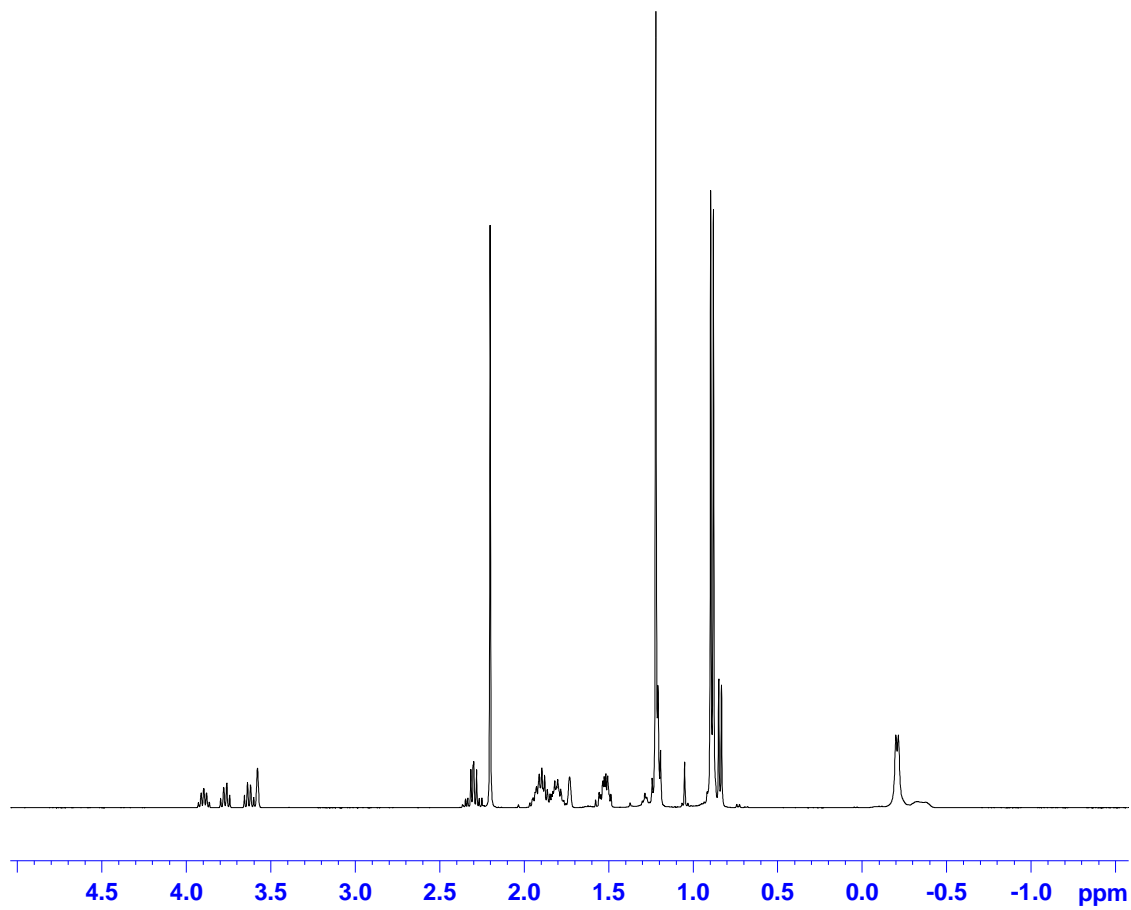
**Figure S1**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of complex **1C**



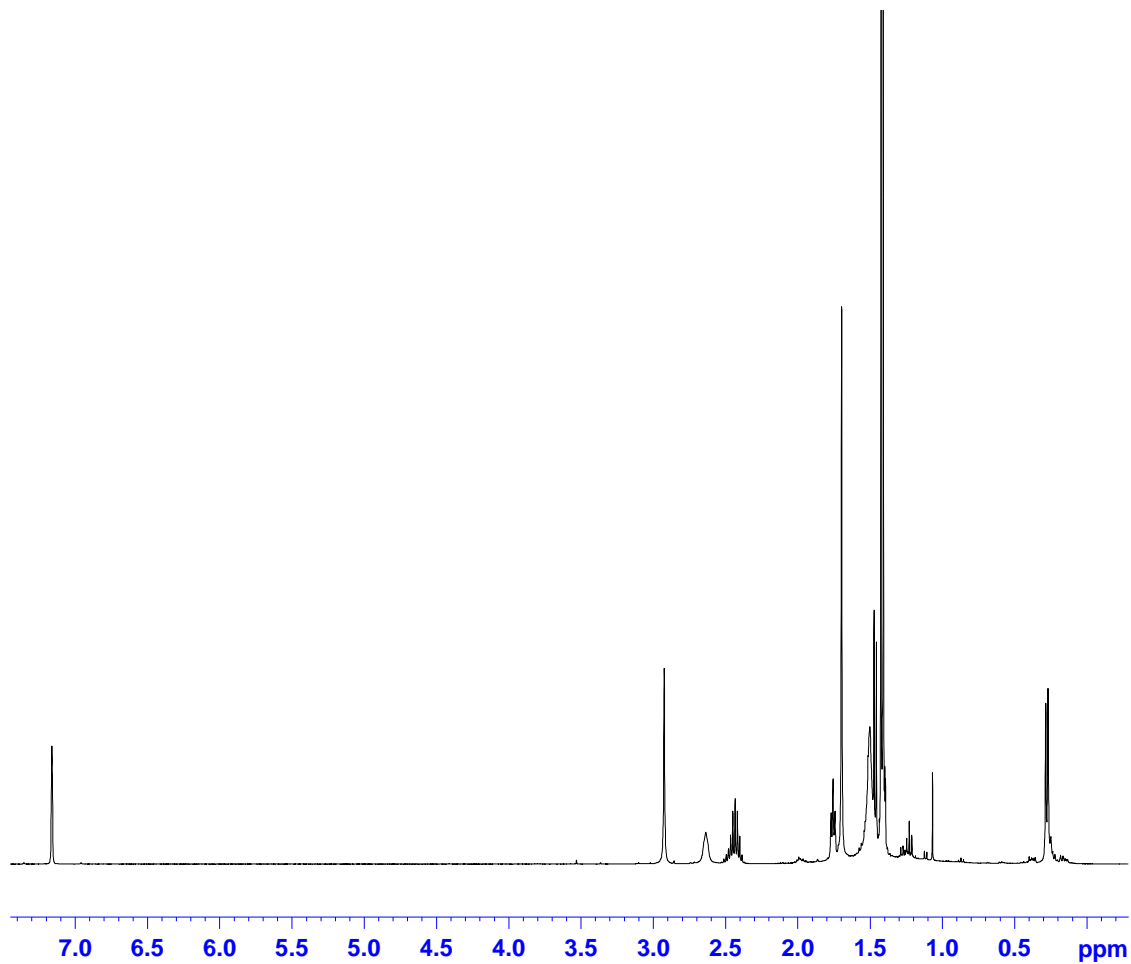
**Figure S2**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of complex **1D**



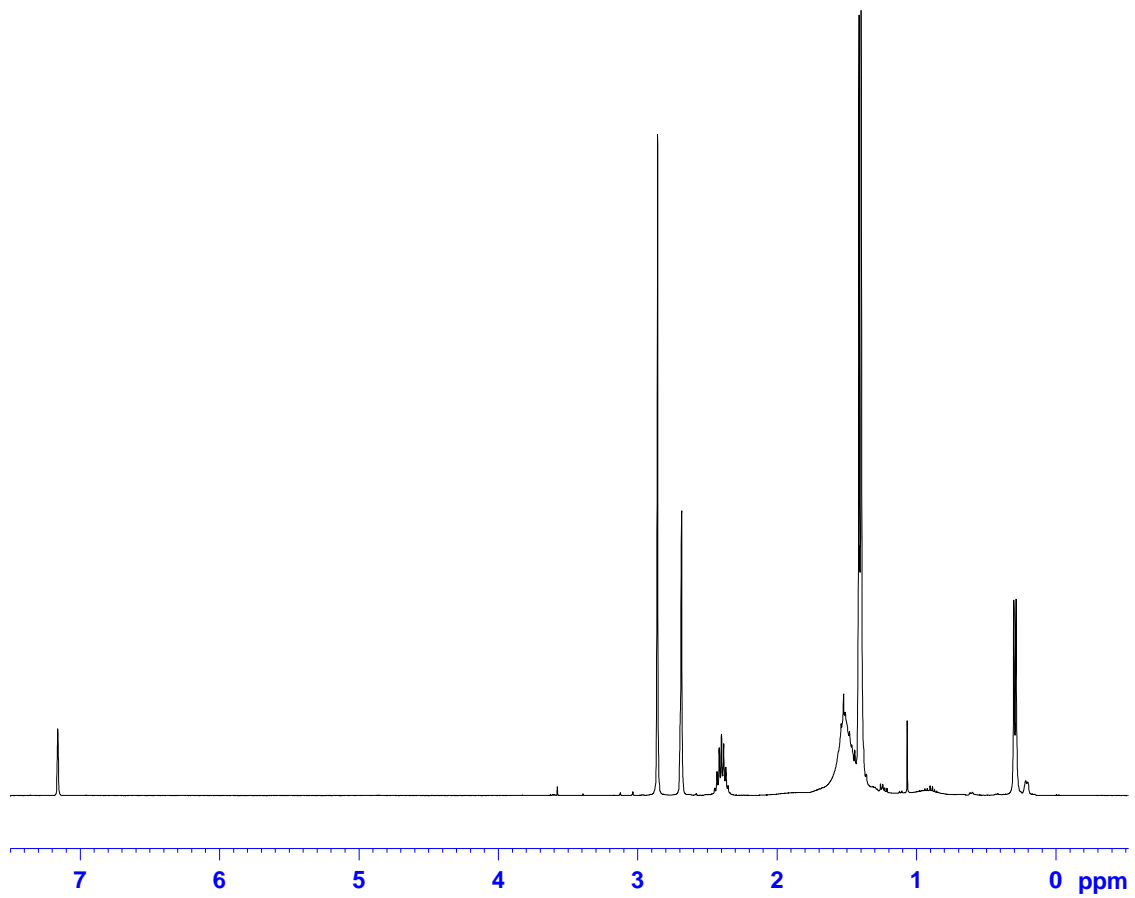
**Figure S3**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of complex **1E**



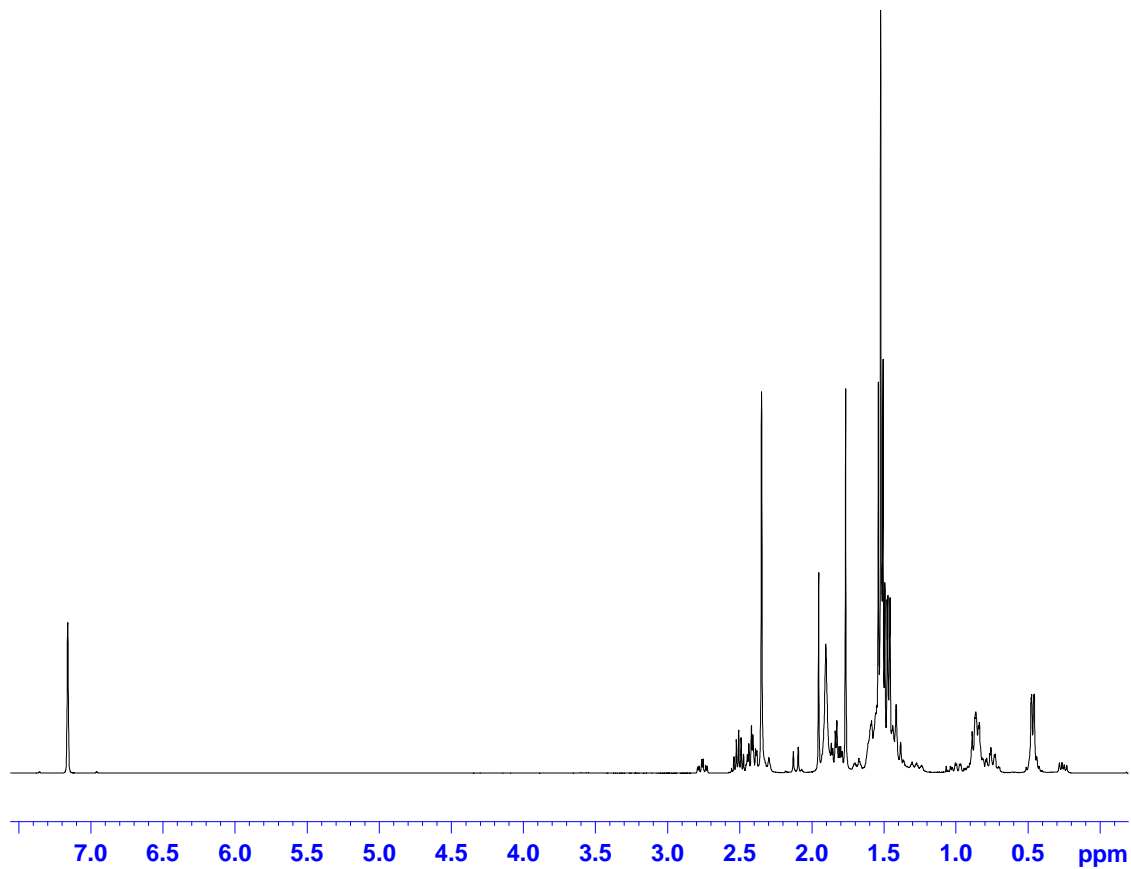
**Figure S4**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of complex **2C**



**Figure S5**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of complex **2D**



**Figure S6**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of complex **2F**



**Figure S7**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of complex **2H**



	<b>1C</b>	<b>1D</b>	<b>1E</b>	<b>2C</b>	<b>2D</b>	<b>2F</b>	<b>2H</b>
Empirical formula	C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>50</sub> AlLiN <sub>2</sub> O	C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>48</sub> AlLiN <sub>2</sub> O	C <sub>25</sub> H <sub>55</sub> AlLiN <sub>3</sub> O	C <sub>28</sub> H <sub>60</sub> AlLiN <sub>2</sub> O	C <sub>26</sub> H <sub>58</sub> AlLiN <sub>2</sub> O	C <sub>25</sub> H <sub>55</sub> AlLiNO <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>28</sub> H <sub>60</sub> AlLiN <sub>4</sub>
Mol. Mass	416.58	390.54	447.64	474.70	448.66	435.62	486.72
Crystal system	triclinic	monoclinic	orthorhombic	monoclinic	triclinic	monoclinic	orthorhombic
Space group	P-1	P 2 <sub>1</sub> /n	Pmn2 <sub>1</sub>	P 2 <sub>1</sub> /c	P-1	Cc	P2 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub>
<i>a</i> [Å]	9.4546(5)	14.2282(5)	12.8948(8)	11.0214(3)	10.9349(4)	9.5982(3)	11.5071(2)
<i>b</i> [Å]	10.4989(3)	10.5076(4)	11.0717(5)	17.0744(4)	17.4597(7)	18.7837(7)	13.3712(3)
<i>c</i> [Å]	14.9340(6)	16.7736(7)	10.1824(5)	17.1403(5)	17.8521(8)	16.1448(6)	19.9303(6)
$\alpha$ [°]	72.798(3)	90	90	90	118.629(4)	90	90
$\beta$ [°]	87.420(4)	90.171(5)	90	106.104(3)	90.683(3)	99.987(3)	90
$\gamma$ [°]	69.720(4)	90	90	90	97.080(3)	90	90
<i>V</i> [Å <sup>3</sup> ]	1325.6(2)	2507.71(17)	1453.71(13)	3098.93(17)	2959.1(2)	2866.64(18)	3066.55(13)
<i>Z</i>	2	4	2	4	4	4	4
Measured reflections	26903	9718	5099	16787	30177	6393	17148
Unique reflections	5179	5330	2513	7289	12880	4179	7145
<i>R</i> <sub>int</sub>	0.0317	0.0278	0.0365	0.0271	0.0521	0.0229	0.0213
Obs. reflns. [ <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> )]	4215	4448	2041	5283	6838	3728	6282
GooF	1.043	1.023	1.041	1.019	1.026	1.027	1.048
<i>R</i> [on <i>F</i> , obs reflns only]	0.0921	0.0435	0.0472	0.0549	0.0931	0.0472	0.0446
<i>wR</i> [on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup> , all data]	0.2583	0.0961	0.1208	0.1441	0.2907	0.1173	0.1053
Largest diff. peak/hole [e Å <sup>-3</sup> ]	1.827/-0.825*	0.208/-0.156	0.385/-0.210	0.412/-0.346	1.210/-0.402	0.684/-0.277	0.329/-0.238

**Table S1** Crystallographic data and refinement details for complexes **1C**, **1D**, **1E**, **2C**, **2D**, **2F** and **2H**. \* The residual electron density peak is sited close to the disordered C<sub>4</sub>O ring.