

# Supplementary Materials: Quantitative Structure-Thermostability Relationship of Late Transition Metal Catalysts in Ethylene Oligo/Polymerization

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**Table S1.** The catalytic activities for complexes 1–20 at different temperatures along with the reaction time.

Cat.	T/°C	Act. <sup>a</sup>	Cat.	T/°C	Act. <sup>a</sup>	Time/min
1	20	49.9	1	60	315	15
2	20	29.9	2	60	200	15
3	20	9.3	3	60	81	15
4	20	48.0	4	60	352	15
5	20	42.9	5	60	218	15
Cat.	T/°C	Act. <sup>a</sup>	Cat.	T/°C	Act. <sup>a</sup>	Time/min
6	20	32.0	6	80	119	30
7	20	42.7	7	60	247	30
8	20	38.0	8	60	246	30
9	20	47.8	9	60	146	30
10	20	68.2	10	60	134.6	30
Cat.	T/°C	Act. <sup>a</sup>	Cat.	T/°C	Act. <sup>a</sup>	Time/min
11	20	0.478	11	40	26.9	30
12	20	0.163	12	40	4.79	30
13	20	0.0199	13	40	0.19	30
14	20	2.64	14	40	21.1	30
15	20	0.513	15	40	5.43	30
Cat.	T/°C	Act. <sup>a</sup>	Cat.	T/°C	Act. <sup>a</sup>	Time/min
16	20	44.2	16	60	59.1	30
17 <sup>b</sup>	20	2352	17 <sup>b</sup>	60	4340	15
18 <sup>b</sup>	25	1331	18 <sup>b</sup>	75	1882	180
19	20	44.9	19	60	103	30
20	20	56.0	20	60	76.7	30

<sup>a</sup> 10<sup>5</sup> g mol<sup>-1</sup> h<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>b</sup> h<sup>-1</sup>.

**Table S2.** The bond lengths and bond angles for metal atoms and atoms coordinated with central metal, which were used as parameters of modified Dreiding force field.

Bond	Bond Lengths (Å)				
	Fe4	Fe8	Fe12	Bond	Ni19
Fe–N1	2.228	2.283	2.391	Ni–N1	2.010
Fe–N2	2.061	2.091	2.100	Ni–N2	2.031
Fe–N3	2.178	2.209	2.298	Ni–Br1	2.336
Fe–Cl1	2.319	2.331	2.341	Ni–Br2	2.317
Fe–Cl2	2.264	2.276	2.249	-	-
Angle	Bond Angles (°)				
	Fe4	Fe8	Fe12	Angle	Ni19
N1–Fe–N2	72.82	72.00	73.77	N1–Ni–N2	82.71
N2–Fe–N3	74.02	73.32	73.18	N1–Ni–Br1	114.83
N1–Fe–N3	141.12	140.40	145.86	N1–Ni–Br2	104.14
N1–Fe–Cl1	101.72	106.60	93.70	N2–Ni–Br1	105.89
N2–Fe–Cl1	91.72	92.97	98.23	N2–Ni–Br2	115.67
N3–Fe–Cl1	99.02	93.72	99.19	Br1–Ni–Br2	125.62
N1–Fe–Cl2	98.72	94.78	104.73	-	-
N2–Fe–Cl2	151.12	155.68	141.53	-	-
N3–Fe–Cl2	100.62	10.967	95.87	-	-
Cl1–Fe–Cl2	117.19	110.59	120.09	-	-

**Table S3.** The correlation coefficient ( $R^2$ ) results for the models of Fe and Ni-based complexes which were fitted by one, two and three parameters, respectively.

Complexes 1–5 (Fe)		
No.	MLRA Equation	$R^2$
1	$A_T = 150.262 - 1385.43 \cdot B$	0.786
2	$A_T = 1.459 + 1.940 \cdot D$	0.038
3	$A_T = 17.786 - 1.457 \cdot \alpha$	0.090
4	$A_T = 151.583 - 1393.55 \cdot B - 0.213 \cdot D$	0.787
5	$A_T = 21.314 - 0.674 \cdot D - 1.703 \cdot \alpha$	0.092
6	$A_T = 158.693 - 1366.69 \cdot B - 1.261 \cdot \alpha$	0.854
7	$A_T = 204.655 - 1541.56 \cdot B - 5.326 \cdot D - 3.184 \cdot \alpha$	0.970
Complexes 16–20 (Ni)		
No.	MLRA Equation	$R^2$
8	$A_T = 4.020 - 33.095 \cdot B$	0.884
9	$A_T = -0.588 + 0.470 \cdot D$	0.073
10	$A_T = 0.608 + 0.035 \cdot \alpha$	0.022
11	$A_T = 2.681 - 33.412 \cdot B + 0.519 \cdot D$	0.973
12	$A_T = -1.033 + 0.609 \cdot D + 0.061 \cdot \alpha$	0.132
13	$A_T = 3.984 - 32.902 \cdot B + 0.013 \cdot \alpha$	0.887
14	$A_T = 2.344 - 32.898 \cdot B + 0.072 \cdot D + 0.039 \cdot \alpha$	0.998