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Phenoxide and alkoxide complexes of Mg, Al and Zn and their use for ring-opening polymerization of ∈-caprolactone with initiators of different natures

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**Figure S1** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of [Al(CH<sub>3</sub>)(BHT)(OCH<sub>2</sub>COOC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)], (**2**), in toluene-d8 at 400 MHz. Starred peaks are residual peaks from the solvent.



**Figure S2** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of PCL with the O-<sup>i</sup>Pr terminal group, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400MHz.



Figure S3 <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of PCL with the O-<sup>1</sup>Bu terminal group, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400MHz.



Figure S4 <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of PCL with the O-CH<sub>2</sub><sup>t</sup>Bu terminal group, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400MHz.



Figure S5 <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of PCL containing the cholesterol terminal group, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400MHz.



**Figure S6** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of PCL containing the protected glucose terminal group, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400MHz.



Figure S7 <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of PCL obtained using catalyst (3), CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400MHz.