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## Complexation of Uranium(VI) with Glutarimidoxime: Thermodynamic and Computational Studies

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### Supplementary Information

#### NMR Analysis of Glutarimidoxime (HC)

The  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of HC is characterized by a defined quintet signal at 1.66 ppm, indicating the absence of byproducts. The  $^{13}\text{C}\{\text{H}\}$ -NMR spectrum is indicative of the purity of the product: five unique and distinct peaks are detectable at 18.7, 24.6, 32.2, 145, 170 ppm (see Figure S1). This latter signal in particular is related to the unique  $\text{C}=\text{O}$  group of HC, lacking instead in  $\text{H}_2\text{A}$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{B}$ .

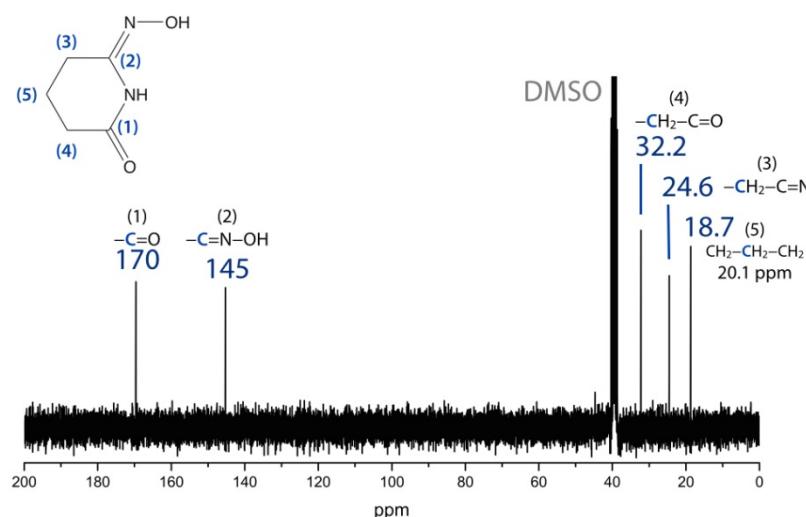


Figure S1  $^{13}\text{C}\{\text{H}\}$ -NMR spectrum of Glutarimidoxime in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$

Table S1 Protonation of  $\text{HL}^{\text{III}}$ . Analytical data of the potentiometric and microcalorimetric experiments. Negative  $\text{H}^+$  concentrations mean the total concentration of  $\text{OH}^-$ .

Potentiometric experiments					
Titration n.	$C_{\text{H}}^0$ , mM	$C_{\text{L}}^0$ , mM	$C_{\text{H}}^{\text{tit.}}$ , mM	$C_{\text{L}}^{\text{tit.}}$ , mM	$V^0$ , mL
1 (Fig. 1a)	20.3	7.20	-101.6	-	19.03
2 (Fig. 1b)	27.7	15.8	-101.6	-	20.84
3	23.3	7.79	-101.6	-	16.04
4	-1.69	6.02	495.5	-	19.78

Microcalorimetric experiments					
Titration n.	$C_{\text{H}}^0$ , mM	$C_{\text{L}}^0$ , mM	$C_{\text{H}}^{\text{tit.}}$ , mM	$C_{\text{L}}^{\text{tit.}}$ , mM	$V^0$ , mL
1 (Fig. 2a)	490	0.251	19.2	19.2	0.770
2 (Fig. 2b)	19.2	19.2	99.9	-	0.750

3 (Fig. 2c)	3.86	3.86	-101.6	-	0.757
4 (Fig. 2d)	19.1	19.1	-101.6	-	0.756
5	100	-	19.2	19.2	0.750

**Table S2** Potentiometric titrations for the complexation of U(VI) with HL<sup>III</sup>. Analytical data of the potentiometric experiments. Negative H<sup>+</sup> concentrations mean the total concentration of OH<sup>-</sup>.

Titration n.	$C_{UO_2}^0$ , mM	$C_H^0$ , mM	$C_L^0$ , mM	$C_{edta}^0$ , mM	$C_{tit.}^0$ , mM	$V^0$ , mL
1 (Fig. 3a)	0.460	4.82	1.95	0.230	-20.0	10.8
2 (Fig. 3b)	0.410	3.75	1.21	0.210	-20.0	12.3
3	0.470	2.93	-	0.240	-20.0	10.6
4	0.820	18.9	3.14	3.33	-102.1	12.3

**Table S3** Selected bond distances ( $\text{\AA}$ ) for the gas-phase optimized structures. The U-Owater average bond distance is reported (standard deviation in parenthesis).

	A	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l
U-O <sub>oxime</sub>	2.037	2.312	2.138	2.147	2.177	2.176	2.306	2.336	2.346	2.215	2.240	2.268
U-N <sub>oxime</sub>	-	-	2.303	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.357	2.342	2.329
U-N <sub>ring</sub>	-	2.306	-	-	-	-	2.623	2.644	2.673	-	-	-
U-O <sub>carb</sub>		2.561	-	-	-	-	3.73	3.77	3.82	-	-	-
U-O <sub>water</sub>	-	-	-	2.49(0.03)	2.56(0.03)	2.55(0.05)	2.51(0.07)	2.49(0.06)	2.46(0.03)	2.54(0.01)	2.65(0.05)*	2.51(0.04)

\*one water 2.72 $\text{\AA}$

## Complete reference to Gaussian09 program

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