

Supplementary Information

Study of temperature dependent three components dynamic covalent assembly via Hantzsch reaction catalyzed by dioxido- and oxidoperoxidomolybdenum(VI) complexes under solvent free condition

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Table S1 Details of the weight loss of methanol and the formation of MoO₃ in complexes and their corresponding decomposition temperature range

| Compound | % MeOH | | | % MoO ₃ | | |
|--|------------------|-------|------|--------------------|-------|------|
| | Temp. range [°C] | Calc. | Obs. | Temp. [°C] | Calc. | Obs. |
| [Mo ^{VI} O ₂ (ap-bhz)(MeOH)] 1 | 110-220 | 6.5 | 6.4 | 550 | 29.1 | 28.9 |
| [Mo ^{VI} O ₂ (ap-inh)(MeOH)] 2 | 147-210 | 6.5 | 6.3 | 510 | 29.1 | 28.6 |
| [Mo ^{VI} O ₂ (ap-nah)(MeOH)] 3 | 125-200 | 6.5 | 6.4 | 530 | 29.1 | 28.7 |
| [Mo ^{VI} O ₂ (ap-fah)(MeOH)] 4 | 141-215 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 540 | 29.8 | 28.6 |
| [Mo ^{VI} O(O ₂)(ap-bhz)(MeOH)] 5 | 132-225 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 528 | 28.2 | 27.6 |
| [Mo ^{VI} O(O ₂)(ap-inh)(MeOH)] 6 | 149-220 | 9.4 | 9.5 | 516 | 28.2 | 27.9 |
| [Mo ^{VI} O(O ₂)(ap-nah)(MeOH)] 7 | 122-190 | 6.3 | 6.7 | 531 | 28.2 | 27.3 |
| [Mo ^{VI} O(O ₂)(ap-fah)(MeOH)] 8 | 129-215 | 9.6 | 9.8 | 537 | 28.8 | 28.1 |

Table S2 Crystal Data and Structure Refinement for the complex [Mo^{VI}O₂(ap-bhz)(DMSO)] **1a**

1a (CCDC 1436144)

| | |
|------------------|---|
| Formula | C ₂₁ H ₂₂ MoN ₄ O ₅ S |
| Formula weight | 538.43 |
| T, K | 296(2) |
| Wavelength, Å | 0.71073 |
| Crystal system | Monoclinic |
| Space group | C2/c |
| a/Å | 26.895(4) |
| b/Å | 8.4616(10) |
| c/Å | 21.724(3) |
| β/° | 110.874(8) |
| V/Å ³ | 4619.3(10) |
| Z | 8 |

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|---|--------------------------------|
| F_{000} | 2192 |
| $D_{\text{calc}}/\text{g cm}^{-3}$ | 1.548 |
| μ/mm^{-1} | 0.698 |
| $\theta/(\text{°})$ | 1.62 to 28.31 |
| R_{int} | 0.0996 |
| Crystal size/ mm^3 | $0.21 \times 0.17 \times 0.14$ |
| Goodness-of-fit on F^2 | 0.971 |
| $R_1[I > 2\sigma(I)]^{\text{a}}$ | 0.0571 |
| wR_2 (all data) ^b | 0.1694 |
| Largest differences peak and hole ($\text{e}\text{\AA}^{-3}$) | 0.408 and -0.422 |

$$^{\text{a}}R_1 = \sum || F_o | - | F_c || / \sum | F_o | . \ ^{\text{b}}wR_2 = \{ \sum [w(| F_o |^2 + | F_c |^2)^2] / \sum [w(F_o^2)^2] \}^{1/2}$$

Table S3 Bond lengths and angles for the compound $[\text{Mo}^{\text{VI}}\text{O}_2(\text{ap-bhz})(\text{DMSO})]$ **1a**

| Bond lengths | 1a |
|--------------|-----------|
| Mo(1)-O(1) | 1.690(4) |
| Mo(1)-O(2) | 1.684(4) |
| Mo(1)-O(3) | 1.970(4) |
| Mo(1)-O(4) | 1.963(4) |
| Mo(1)-N(3) | 2.273(5) |
| Mo(1)-O(5) | 2.304(4) |
| N(1)-C(1) | 1.337(7) |
| N(1)-N(2) | 1.417(7) |
| N(1)-C(14) | 1.429(7) |
| N(2)-C(3) | 1.341(7) |

| Angles | 1a |
|-----------------|------------|
| O(1)-Mo(1)-O(2) | 105.3(2) |
| O(1)-Mo(1)-O(3) | 95.21(19) |
| O(2)-Mo(1)-O(3) | 98.67(19) |
| O(1)-Mo(1)-O(4) | 102.87(18) |
| O(2)-Mo(1)-O(4) | 97.09(19) |
| O(3)-Mo(1)-O(4) | 151.90(19) |
| O(1)-Mo(1)-N(3) | 159.51(18) |
| O(2)-Mo(1)-N(3) | 92.46(18) |
| O(3)-Mo(1)-N(3) | 71.66(19) |
| O(4)-Mo(1)-N(3) | 84.58(18) |
| O(1)-Mo(1)-O(5) | 87.63(17) |
| O(2)-Mo(1)-O(5) | 167.04(17) |
| O(3)-Mo(1)-O(5) | 80.61(16) |
| O(4)-Mo(1)-O(5) | 78.86(16) |
| N(3)-Mo(1)-O(5) | 74.97(14) |

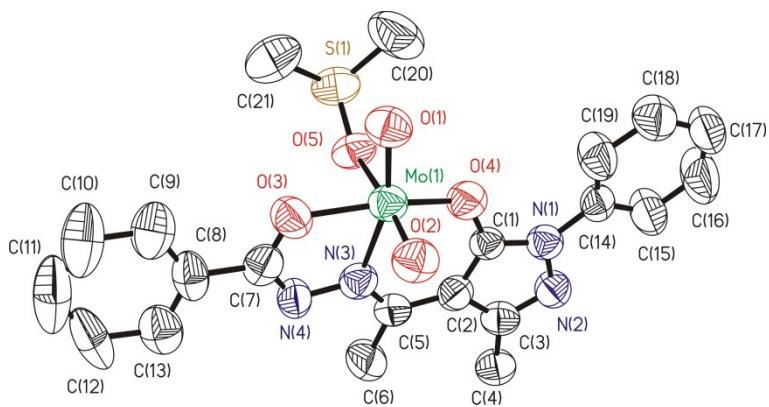


Fig. S1 ORTEP plot of complex $[\text{Mo}^{\text{VI}}\text{O}_2(\text{ap-bhz})(\text{DMSO})]$ **1a**. All the non-hydrogen atoms are presented by their 50% probability ellipsoids. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.

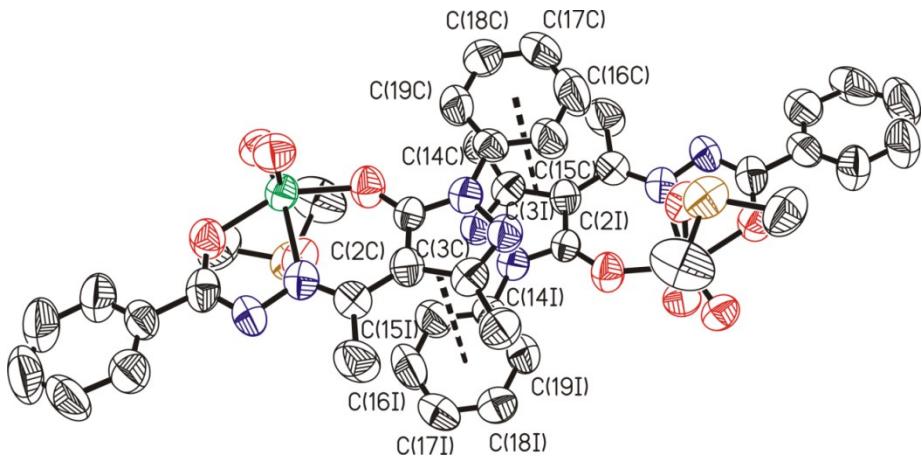


Fig. S2 Intermolecular π - π interactions in **1a**. Dashed lines link the centres of the π clouds involving in each interaction.

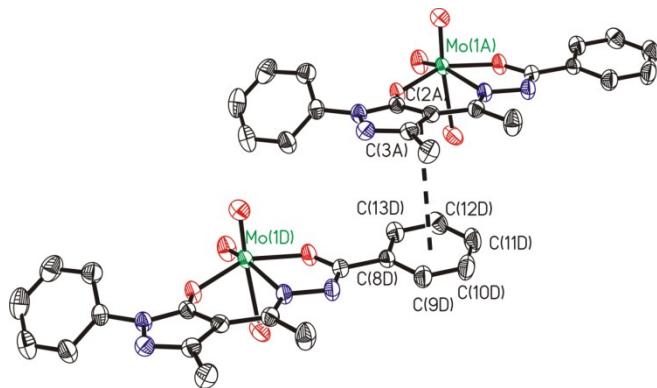


Fig. S3 Intermolecular π - π interactions in **1b**. Dashed lines link the centres of the π clouds involving in each interaction.

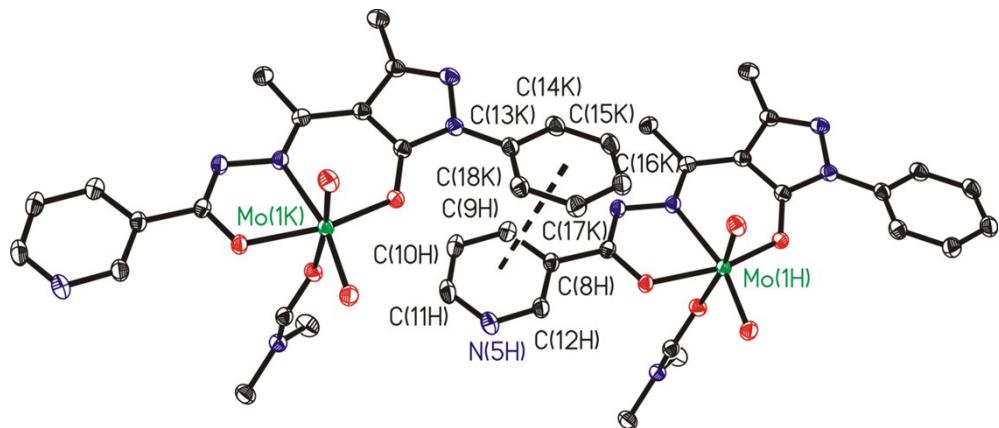


Fig. S4 Intermolecular π - π interactions in **3a**. Dashed lines link the centres of the π clouds involving in each interaction.

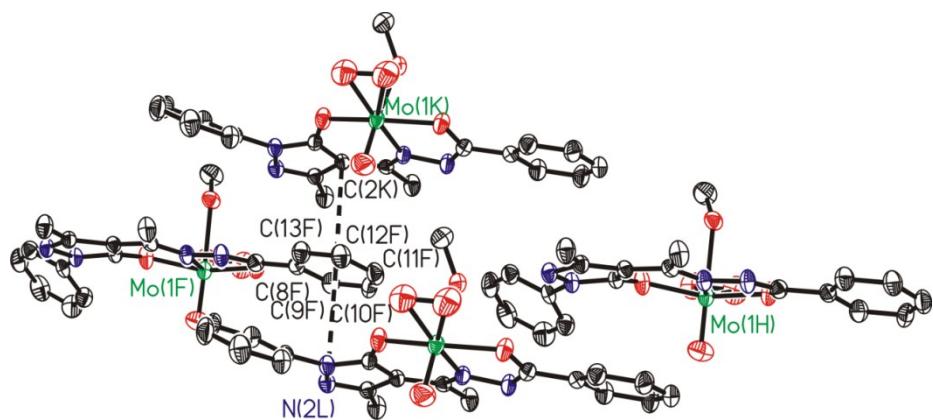


Fig. S5 Intermolecular π - π interactions in **5**. Dashed lines link the centres of the π clouds involving in each interaction.

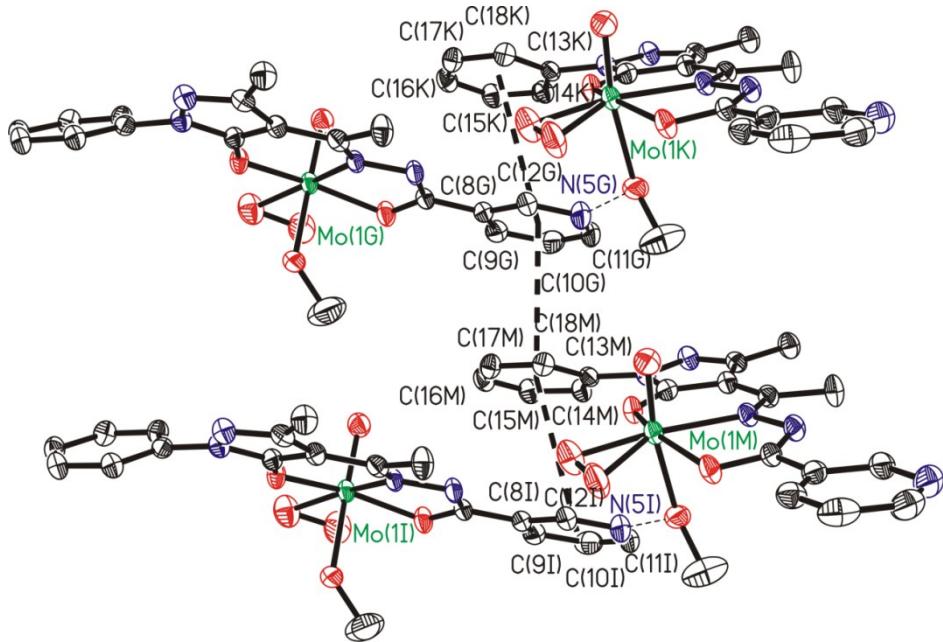


Fig. S6 Intermolecular π - π interactions in **7a**. Dashed lines link the centres of the π clouds involving in each interaction.

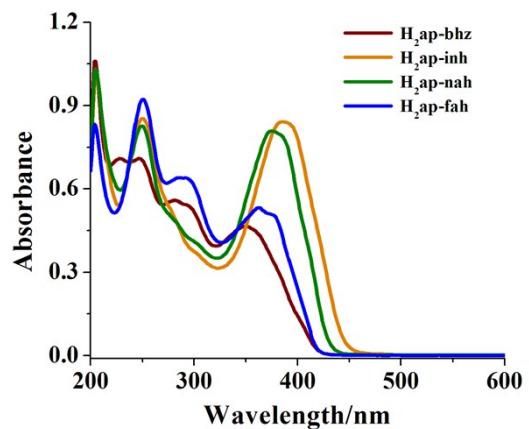


Fig. S7 UV-vis spectra of H₂ap-bhz **I** (conc. 3.9×10^{-4} M), H₂ap-inh **II** (conc. 3.4×10^{-4} M), H₂ap-nah **III** (conc. 3.0×10^{-4} M) and H₂ap-fah **IV** (conc. 3.6×10^{-4} M) recorded in methanol solution.

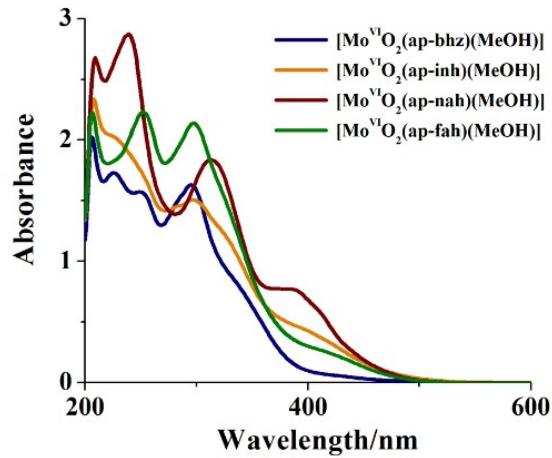


Fig. S8 UV-vis spectra of four dioxidomolybdenum(VI) complexes, **1** (conc. 2.0×10^{-4} M), **2** (conc. 2.5×10^{-4} M), **3** (conc. 3.3×10^{-4} M) and **4** (conc. 2.7×10^{-4} M) recorded in methanol.

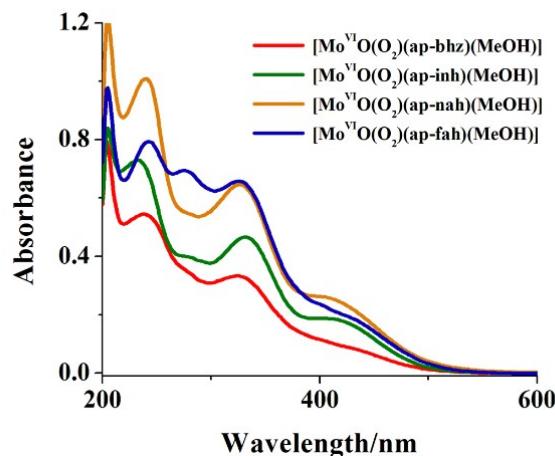


Fig. S9 UV-vis spectra of four oxidoperoxidomolybdenum(VI) complexes, **5** (conc. 3.1×10^{-4} M), **6** (conc. $(2.2 \times 10^{-4}$ M), **7** (conc. 2.3×10^{-4} M) and **8** (conc 3.5×10^{-4} M) recorded in methanol.

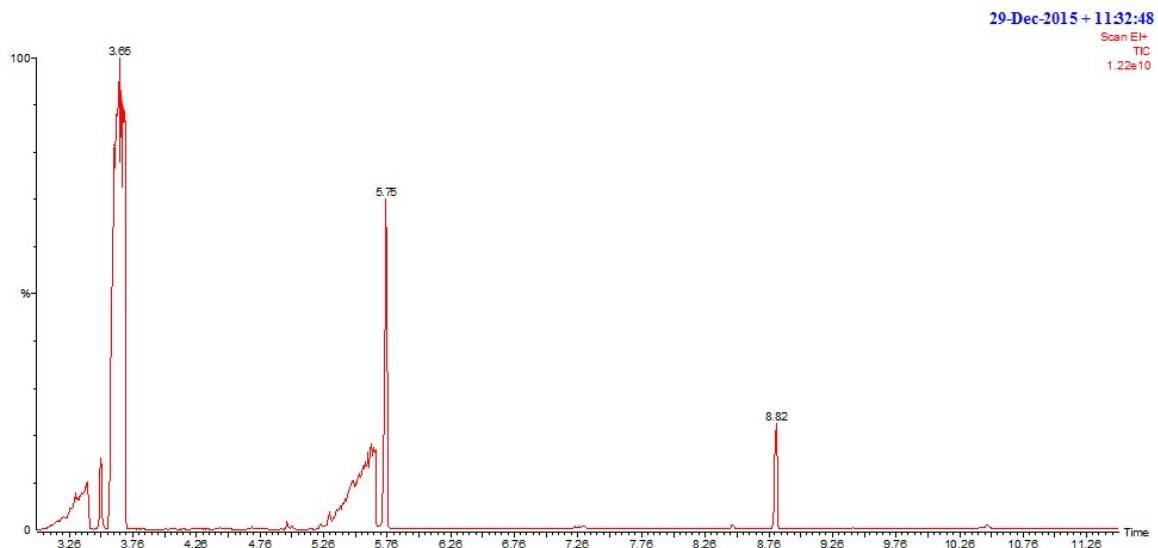


Fig. S10 (a) GC-MS chromatogram of Step-1 (Hantzsch reaction mechanism) depicting three prominent peaks at retention time 3.65, 5.75 and 8.82 min, corresponding to methylacetoacetate, benzaldehyde and methyl-2-benzylidene-3-oxobutanoate respectively.

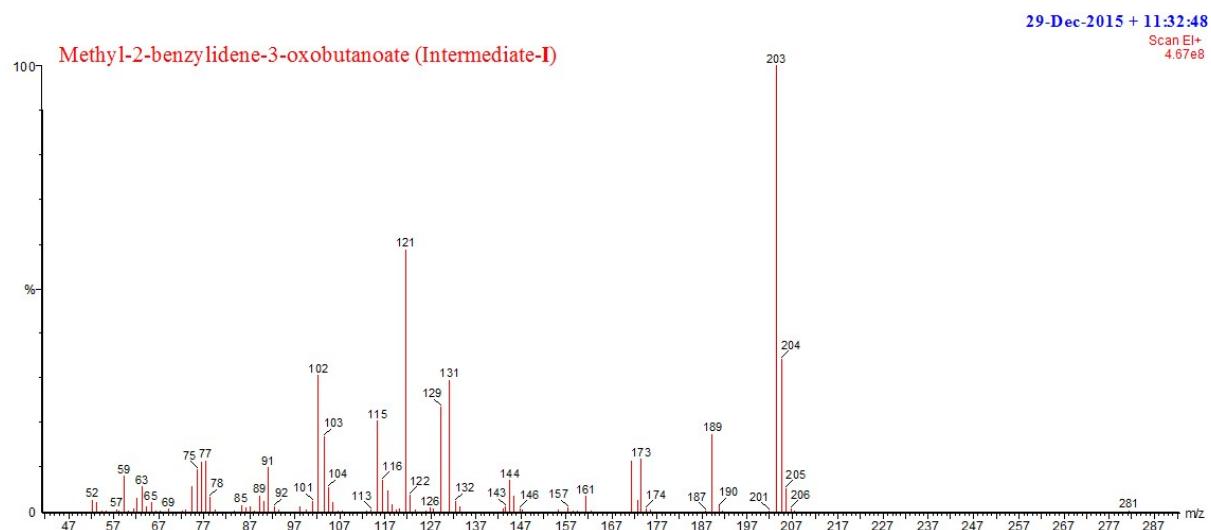


Fig. S10 (b) GC-MS chromatogram of methyl-2-benzylidene-3-oxobutanoate (Intermediate-I)

Methyl-3-aminobut-2-enoate (Intermediate-II)

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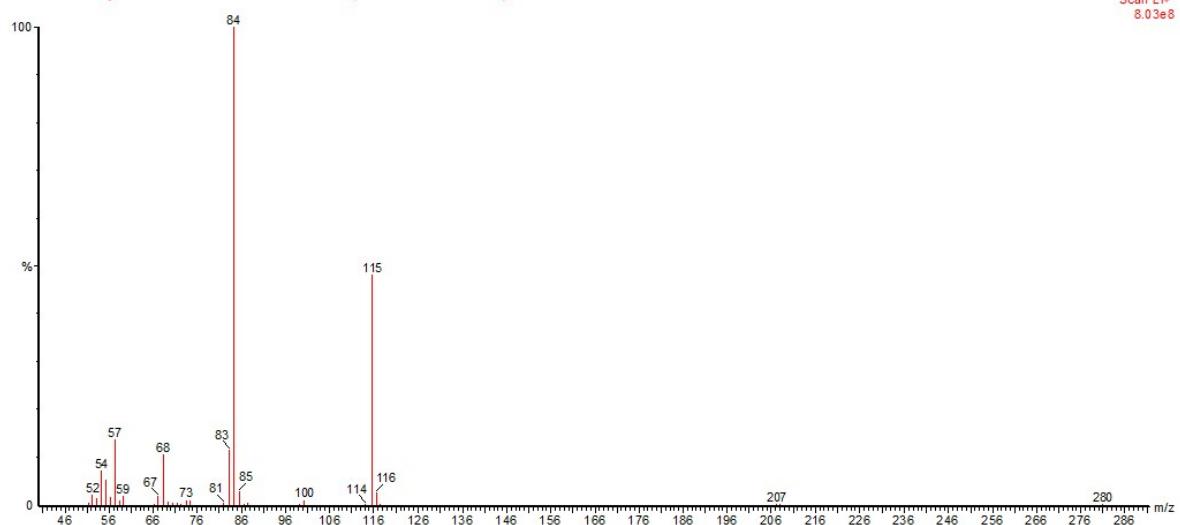


Fig. S11 GC-MS chromatogram of methyl-3-aminobut-2-enoate (Intermediate-II)