

Electronic Supplementary Information

Variable coordination of tris(2-pyridyl)phosphine and its oxide toward $M(\text{hfac})_2$: a metal-specifiable switching between the formation of mono- and bis-scorpionate complexes

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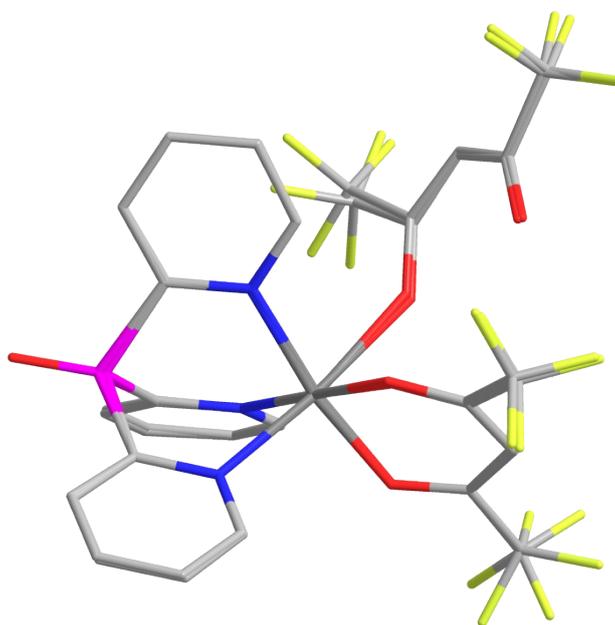
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Table S1. Data collection and refinement parameters for **3-8**

Compound	3	4	5	6	7	8
Empirical formula	C ₂₅ H ₁₄ CuF ₁₂ N ₃ O ₄ P	C ₂₅ H ₁₄ CuF ₁₂ N ₃ O ₃ P	C ₄₀ H ₂₆ CuF ₁₂ N ₆ O ₄ P ₂	C ₂₅ H ₁₆ CoF ₁₂ N ₃ O ₆ P	C ₂₆ H ₁₄ F ₁₂ N ₃ NiO ₅ P	C ₆₀ H ₃₀ F ₃₆ Mn ₃ N ₆ O ₁₂ P ₂ · 2C ₃ H ₆ O
Formula mass [g/mol]	742.90	758.89	1008.16	772.27	766.08	2053.82
Space group	P2 ₁ /n	P2 ₁ /n	P2 ₁ /c	P2 ₁	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	P-1
<i>a</i> [Å]	12.5272(11)	12.515(2)	11.3926(4)	8.7336(7)	8.8330(8)	10.5909(7)
<i>b</i> [Å]	15.4345(14)	15.165(3)	12.4104(4)	15.7594(12)	15.6509(15)	12.6726(9)
<i>c</i> [Å]	14.5163(12)	14.627(3)	14.1878(5)	11.7574(9)	21.6876(17)	16.6408(11)
<i>α</i> [°]	90	90	90	90	90	80.785(3)
<i>β</i> [°]	93.306(3)	94.549(7)	95.9020(10)	111.126(3)	90	79.387(3)
<i>γ</i> [°]	90	90	90	90	90	65.580(3)
<i>V</i> [Å ³]	2802.1(4)	2767.2(9)	1995.33(12)	1509.5(2)	2998.2(5)	1990.0(2)
<i>Z</i>	4	4	2	2	4	1
<i>D</i> _{calcd.} [g·cm ⁻³]	1.756	1.824	1.678	1.700	1.697	1.714
<i>μ</i> [mm ⁻¹]	0.955	0.973	0.736	0.740	0.817	0.658
Temperature [K]	100(2)	100(2)	100(2)	296(2)	100(2)	100(2)
Reflections collected	202919	187370	67156	42752	94343	123437
Independent reflections	8228 [<i>R</i> _{int} = 0.0530]	8123 [<i>R</i> _{int} = 0.0887]	5842 [<i>R</i> _{int} = 0.0623]	8842 [<i>R</i> _{int} = 0.0987]	8828 [<i>R</i> _{int} = 0.0718]	11664 [<i>R</i> _{int} = 0.0770]
<i>R</i> ₁ , <i>wR</i> ₂ [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)]	0.0340, 0.0830	0.0544, 0.1315	0.0401, 0.0962	0.0484, 0.0820	0.0372, 0.0760	0.0433, 0.0848
<i>R</i> ₁ , <i>wR</i> ₂ (all data)	0.0439, 0.0881	0.0718, 0.1424	0.0545, 0.1042	0.0849, 0.0910	0.0494, 0.0802	0.0738, 0.0955
Goodness of fit	1.066	1.026	1.039	1.033	1.036	1.019

**Figure S1.** Overlay of the structures of [Cu(Py₃P)(*O,O'*-hfac)(*O*-hfac)] (**3**) and [Cu(Py₃P=O)(*O,O'*-hfac)(*O*-hfac)] (**4**).

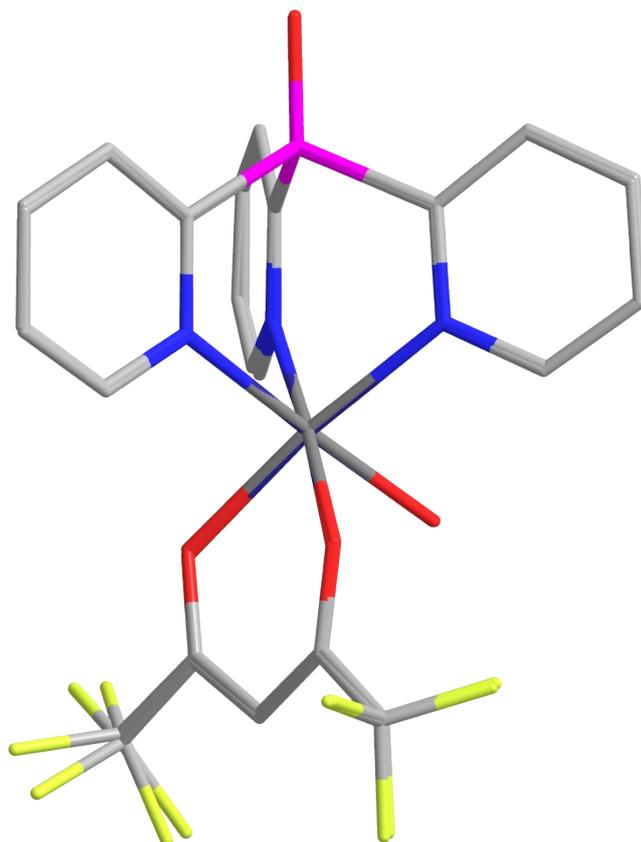


Figure S2. Overlay of the structures of $[\text{Co}(\text{Py}_3\text{P}=\text{O})(\text{O},\text{O}'\text{-hfac})(\text{H}_2\text{O})](\text{hfac})$ (**6**) and $[\text{Ni}(\text{Py}_3\text{P}=\text{O})(\text{O},\text{O}'\text{-hfac})(\text{H}_2\text{O})](\text{hfac})$ (**7**).

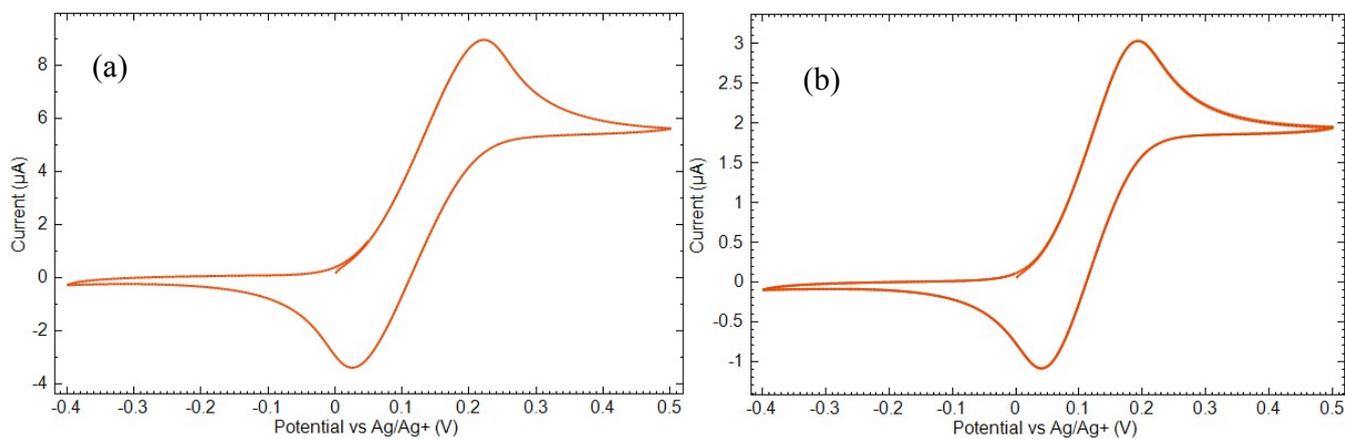


Figure S3. Cyclic voltammograms of FeCp_2 10^{-3} M solution in 0.1 M TBAP in acetonitrile, measured at GC – (a) and Pt – (b) electrodes; $\nu = 10$ mV/s.

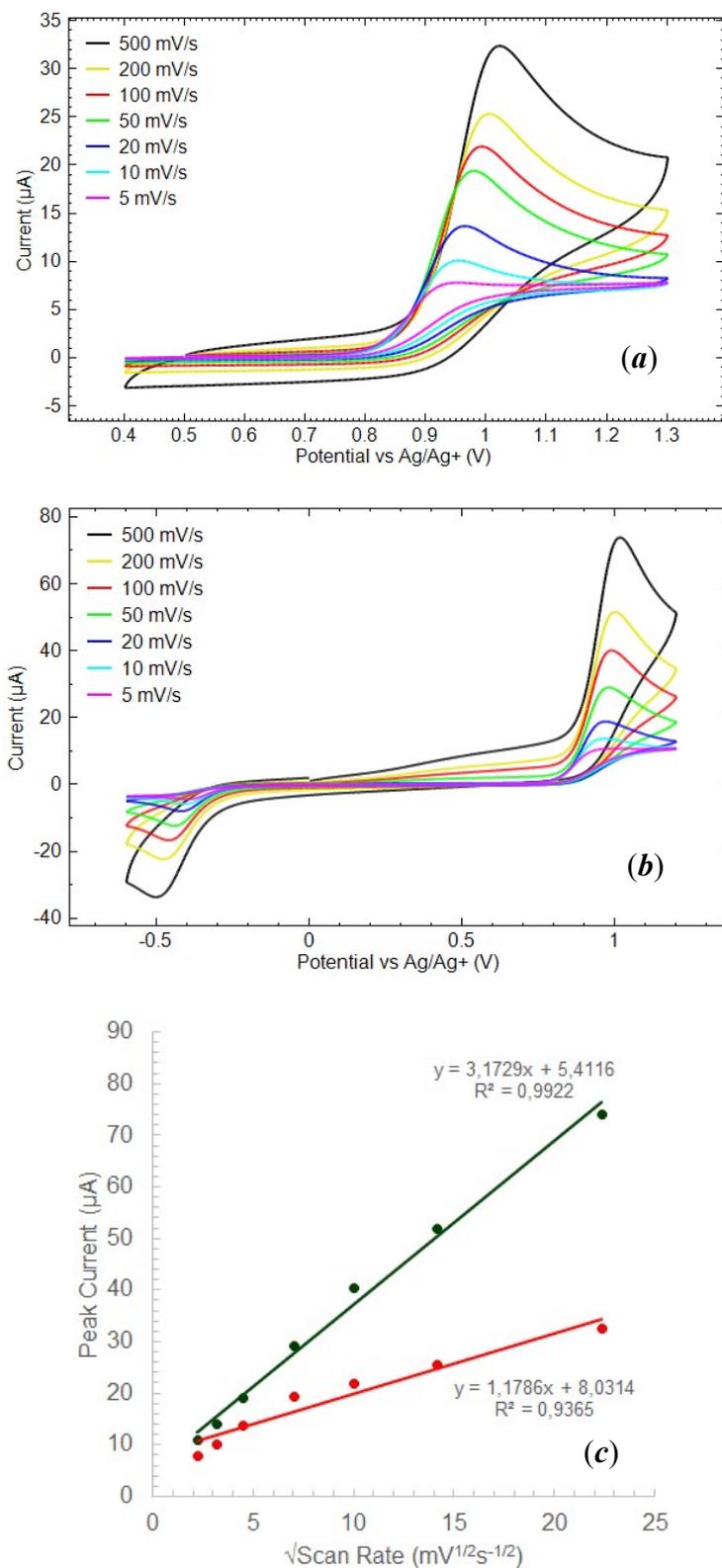


Figure S4. The influence of scan sweep rate on the cycling voltammograms of $[\text{Cu}(\text{Py}_3\text{P})(\text{O},\text{O}'\text{-hfac})(\text{O}\text{-hfac})]$ (3) (a), $[\text{Cu}(\text{Py}_3\text{P})_2](\text{hfac})_2$ (5) (b), and corresponding I_{pa} vs $v^{0.5}$ plots (c).

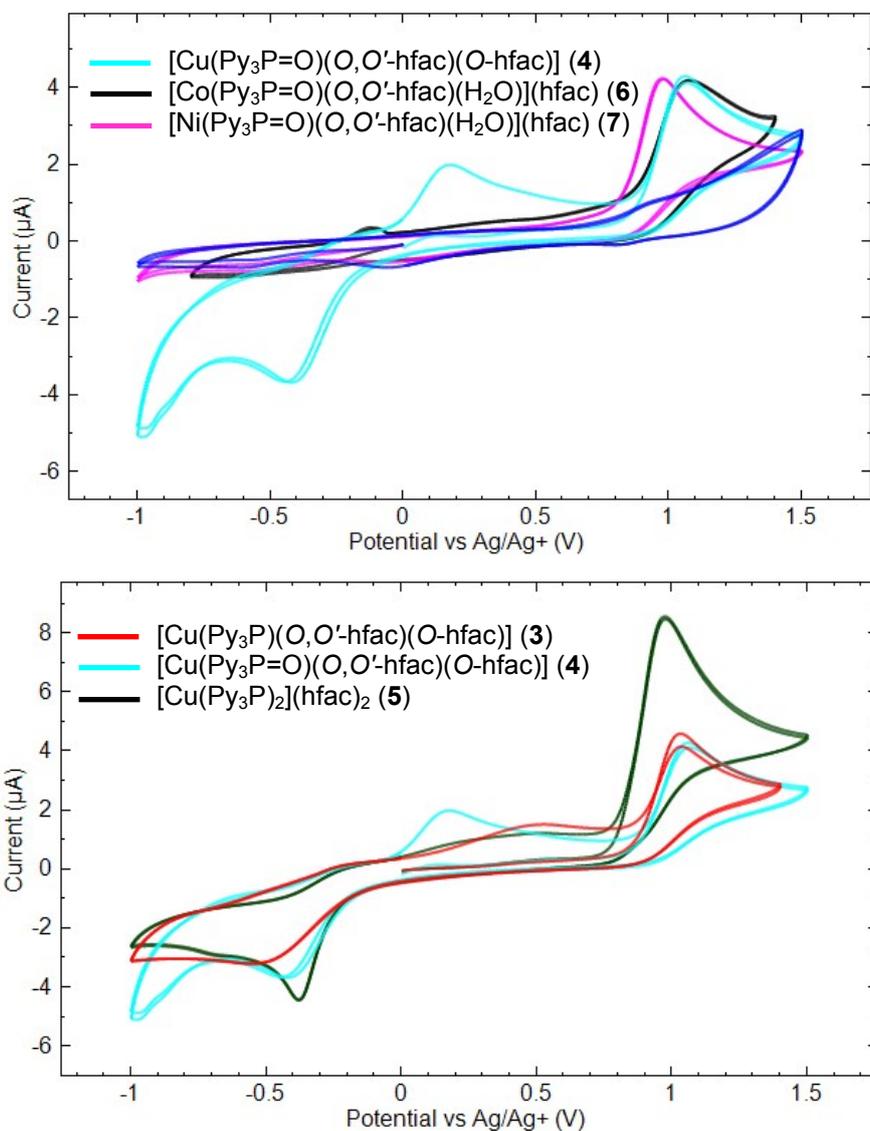


Figure S5. Cyclic voltammograms measured at Pt electrode in 0.1 M TBAP in acetonitrile solutions of 10^{-3} M complexes **4-7** (a) and **3-5** (b); ($v = 50$ mV/s).

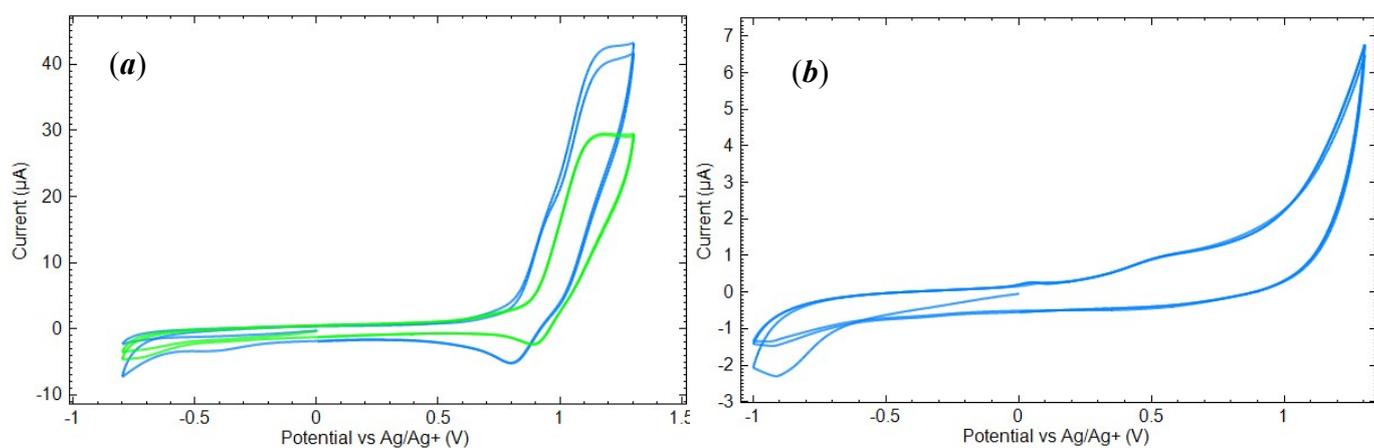


Figure S6. Cyclic voltammograms of $[\text{Mn}(\text{Py}_3\text{P})_2][\text{Mn}(\text{hfac})_3]_2$ (**8**) 10^{-3} M solution in 0.1 M TBAP in acetonitrile, measured at (a) – bare (—) and Nafion modified (—) GC electrode; (b) – Pt electrode; ($v = 50$ mV/s).

Figure S7. FTIR-ATR spectrum of $[\text{Cu}(\text{Py}_3\text{P})(\text{O},\text{O}'\text{-hfac})(\text{O-hfac})]$ (**3**) in range of 550-1700 cm^{-1} .

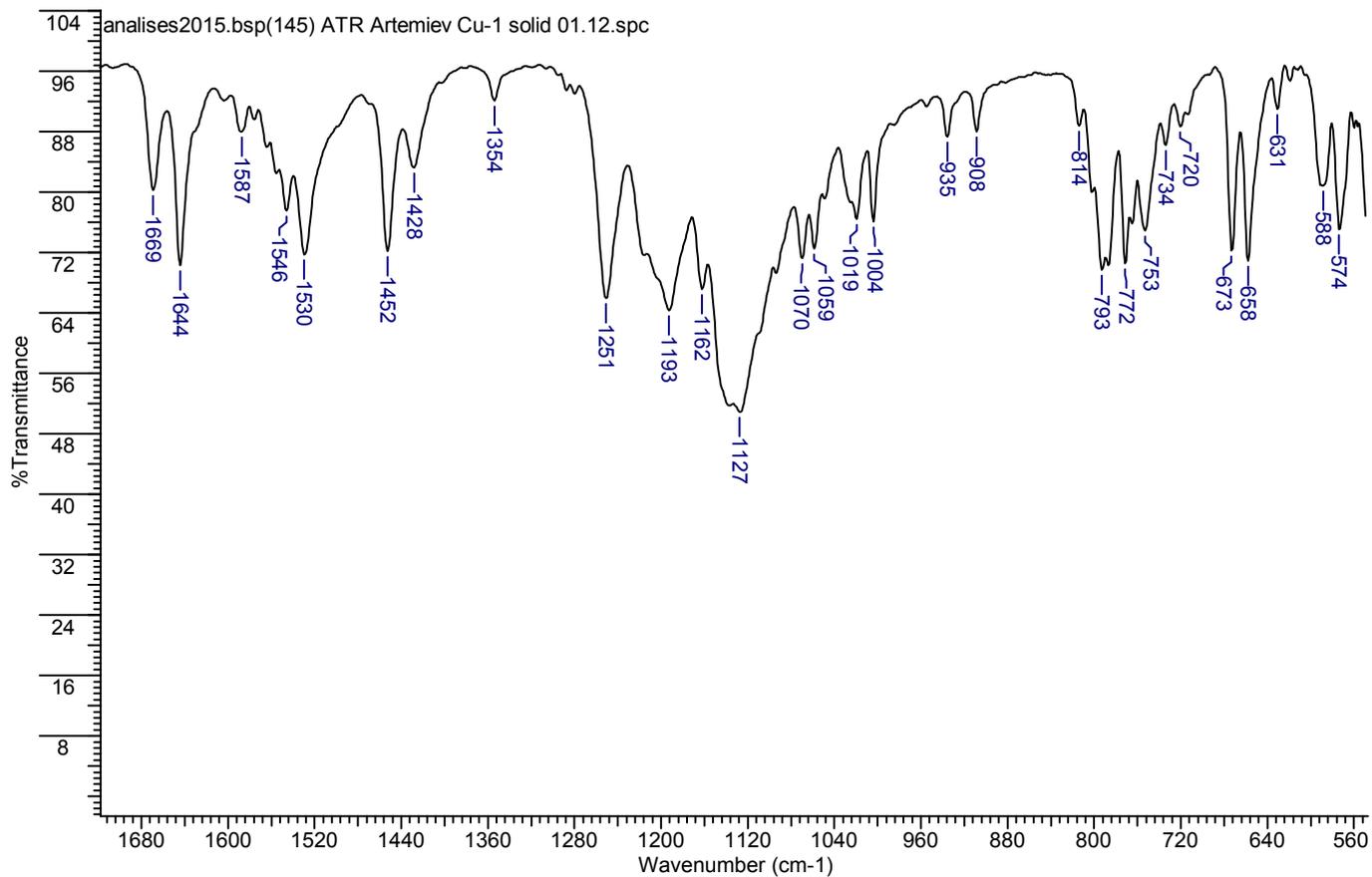


Figure S8. FTIR-ATR spectrum of $[\text{Cu}(\text{Py}_3\text{P}=\text{O})(\text{O},\text{O}'\text{-hfac})(\text{O-hfac})]$ (**4**) in range of 550-1700 cm^{-1} .

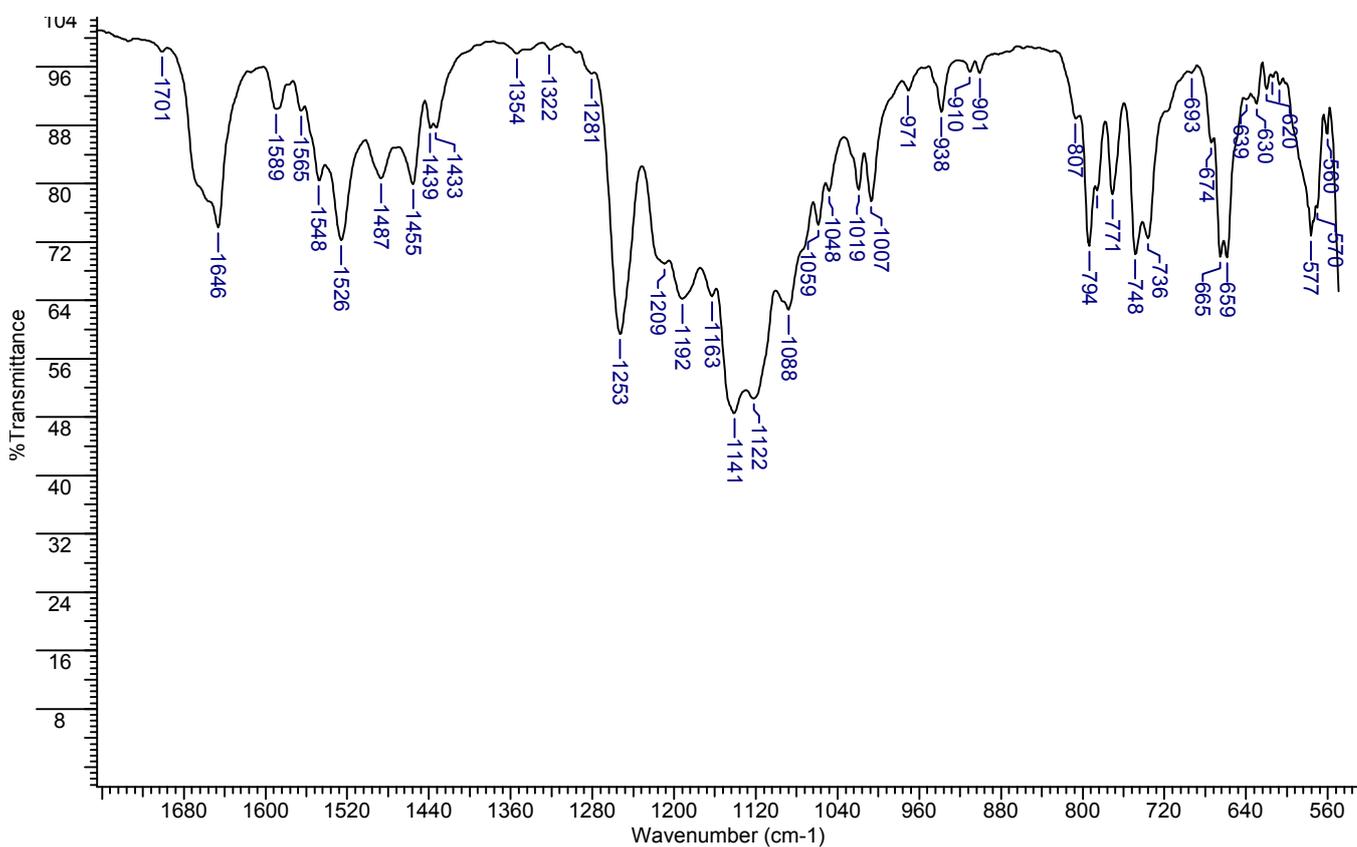


Figure S9. FTIR-ATR spectrum of $[\text{Cu}(\text{Py}_3\text{P})_2](\text{hfac})_2$ (**5**) in range of 550-1750 cm^{-1} .

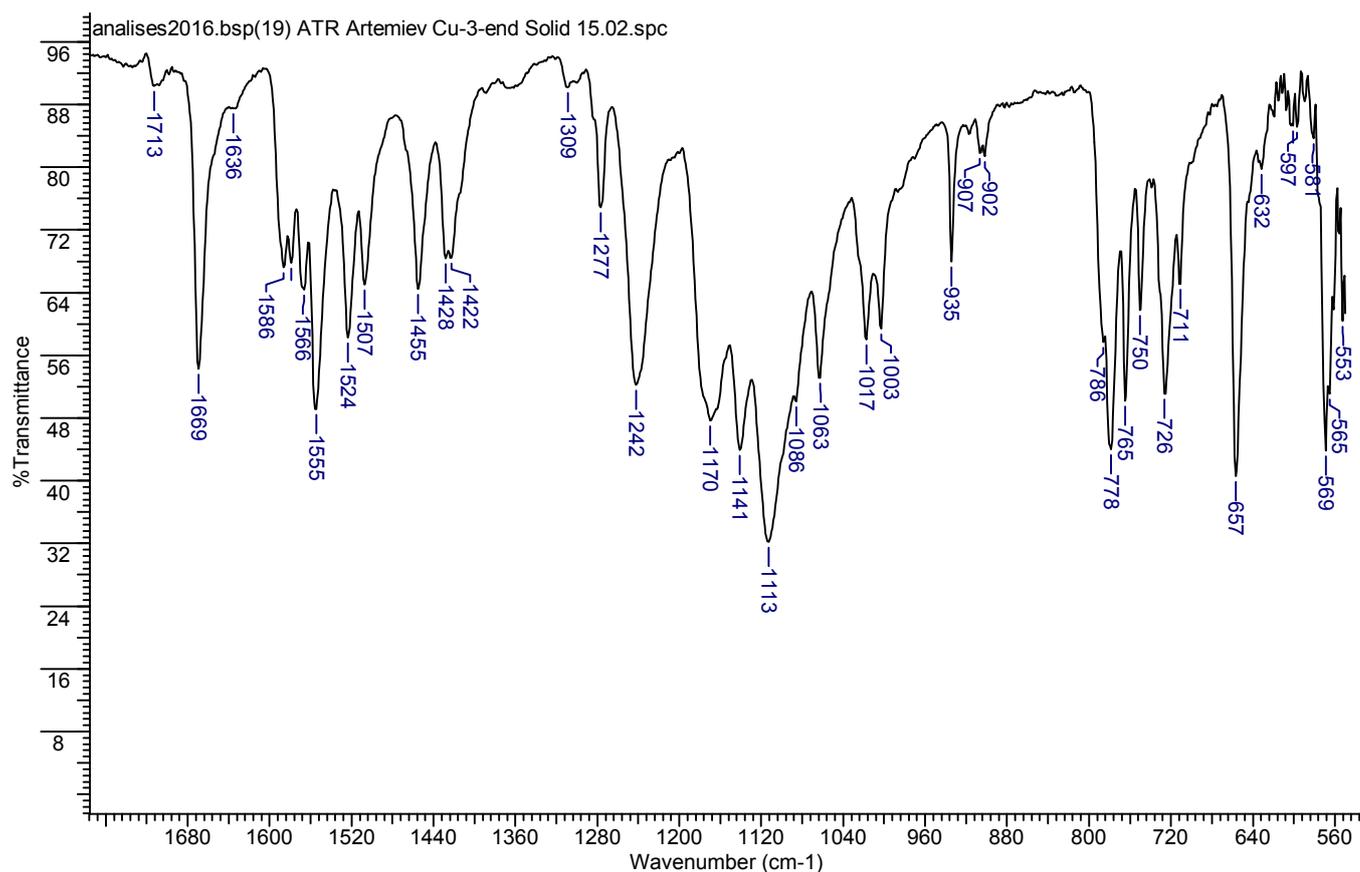


Figure S10. FTIR-ATR spectrum of $[\text{Co}(\text{Py}_3\text{P}=\text{O})(\text{O},\text{O}'\text{-hfac})(\text{H}_2\text{O})](\text{hfac})$ (**6**) in range of 500-1750 cm^{-1} .

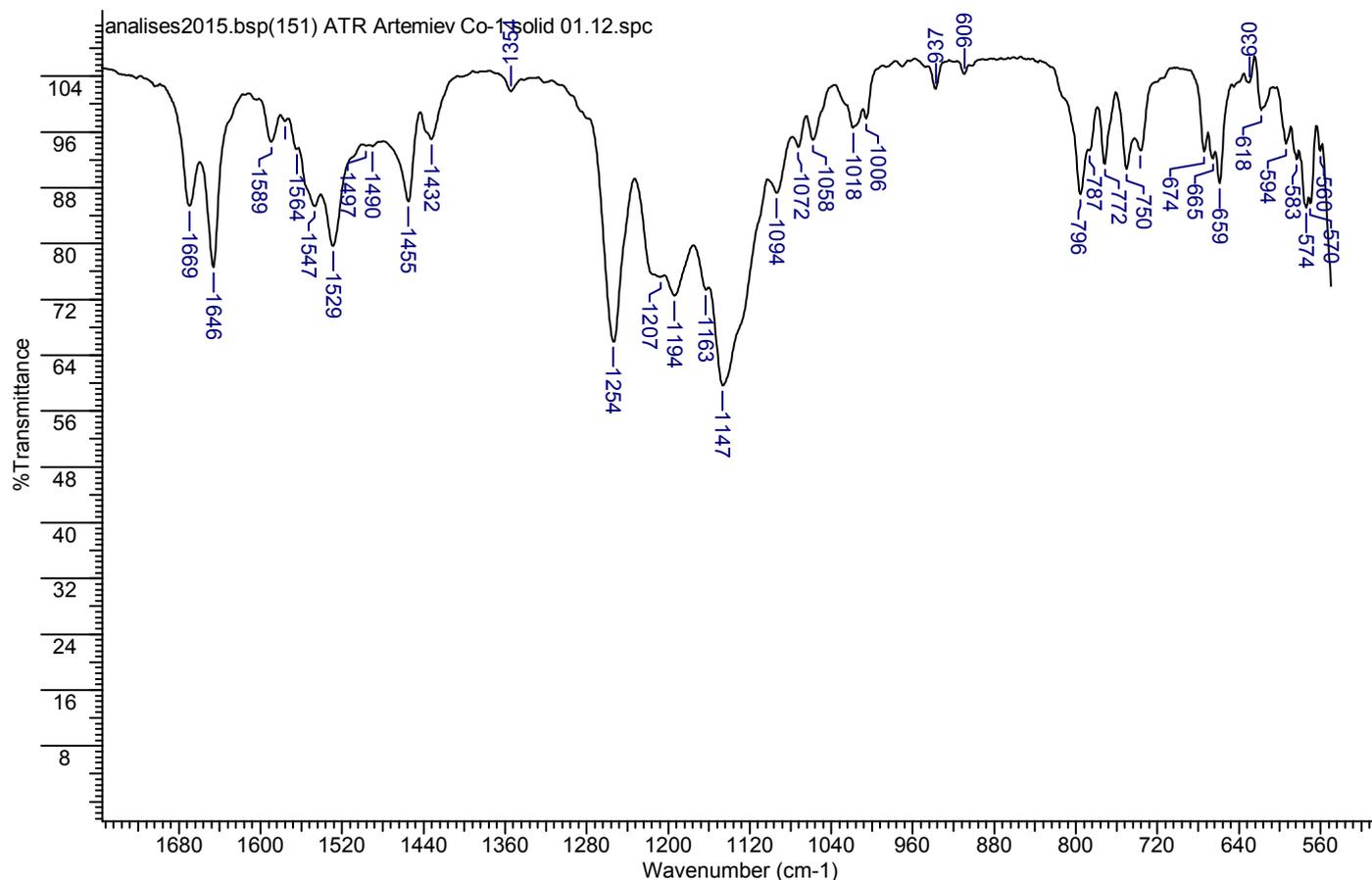


Figure S11. FTIR-ATR spectrum of $[\text{Ni}(\text{Py}_3\text{P}=\text{O})(\text{O},\text{O}'\text{-hfac})(\text{H}_2\text{O})](\text{hfac})$ (**7**) in range of 500-1750 cm^{-1} .

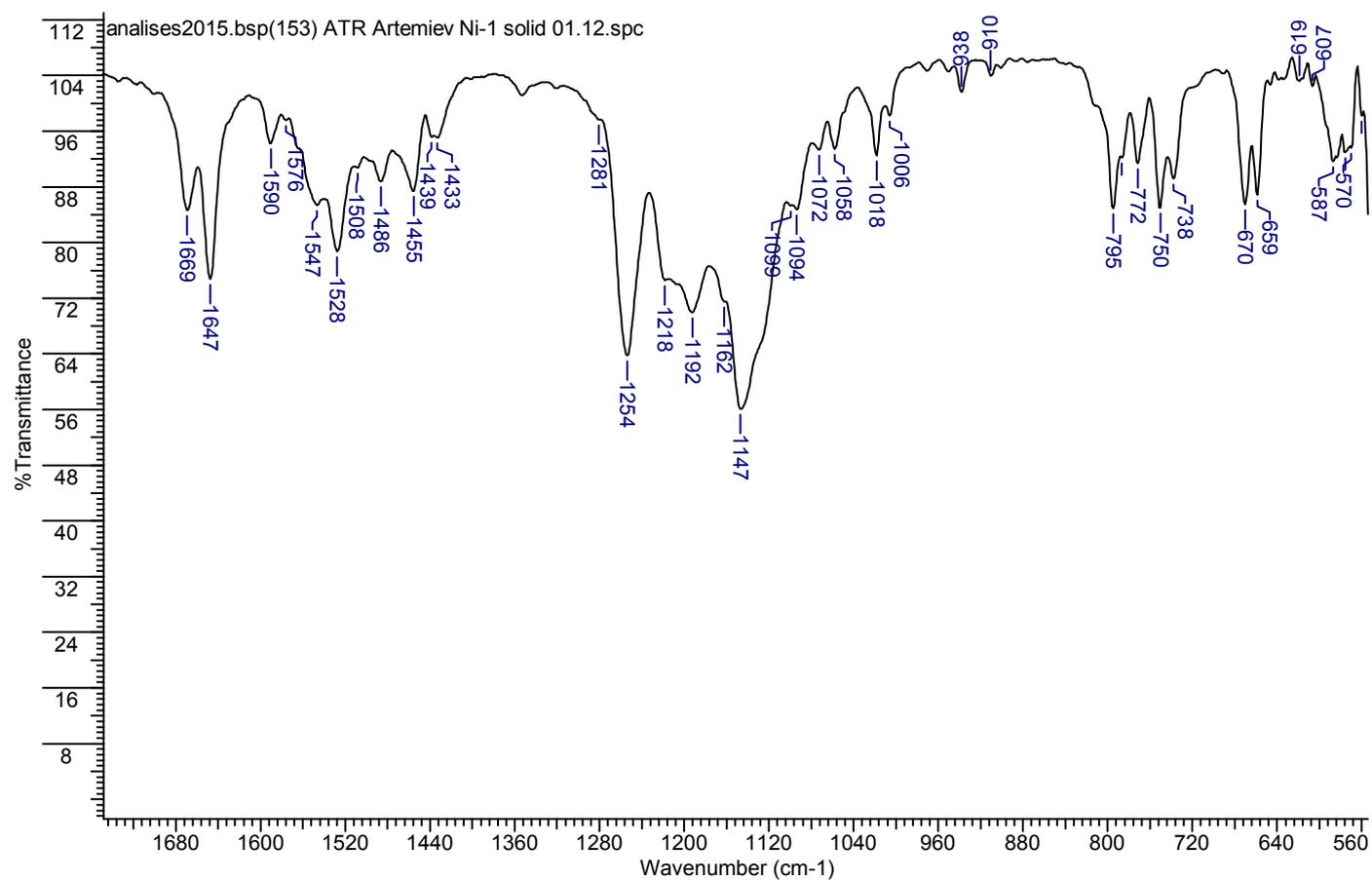
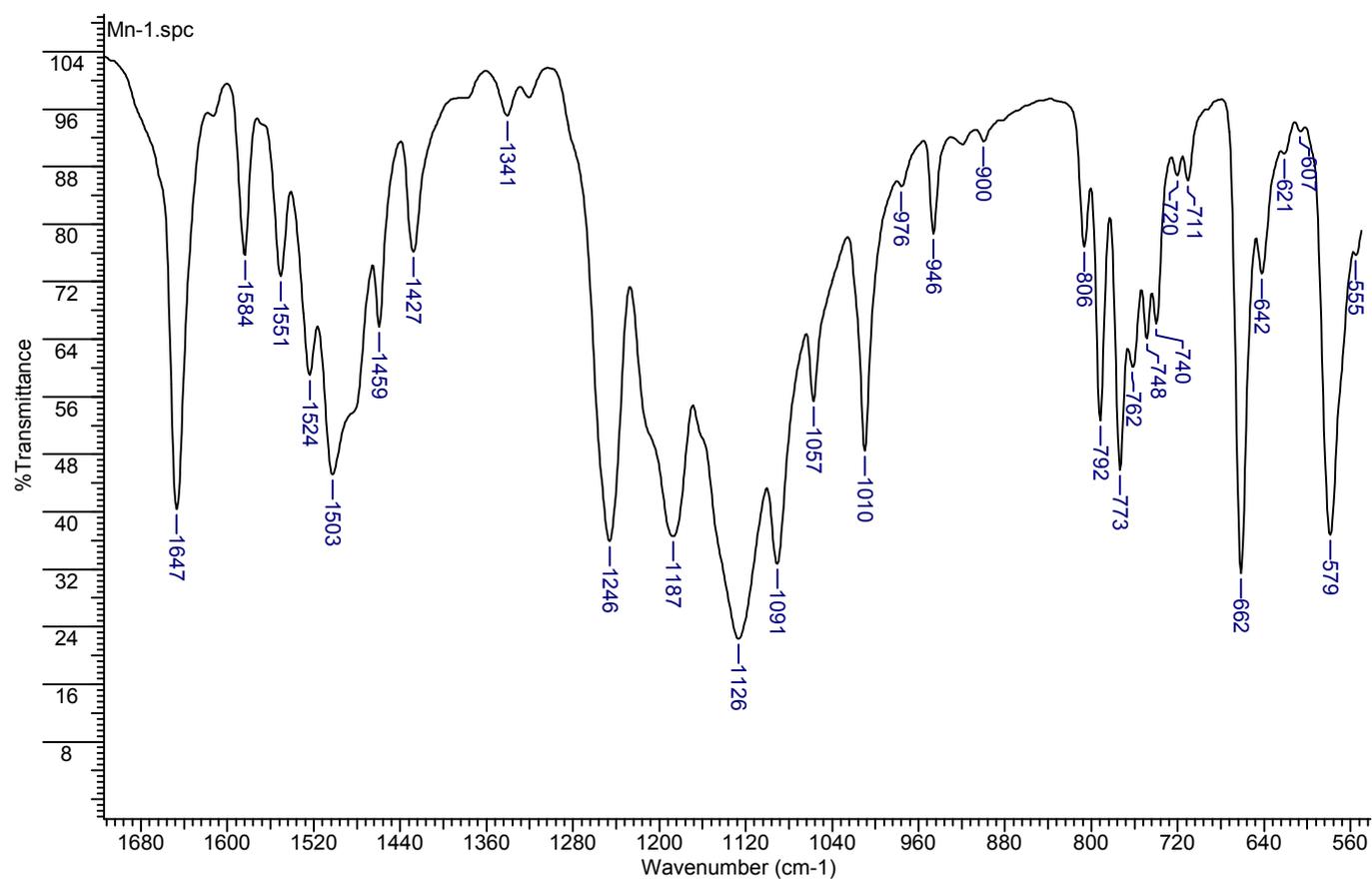


Figure S12. FTIR-ATR spectrum of $[\text{Mn}(\text{Py}_3\text{P})_2][\text{Mn}(\text{hfac})_3]_2$ (**8**) in range of 500-1750 cm^{-1} .



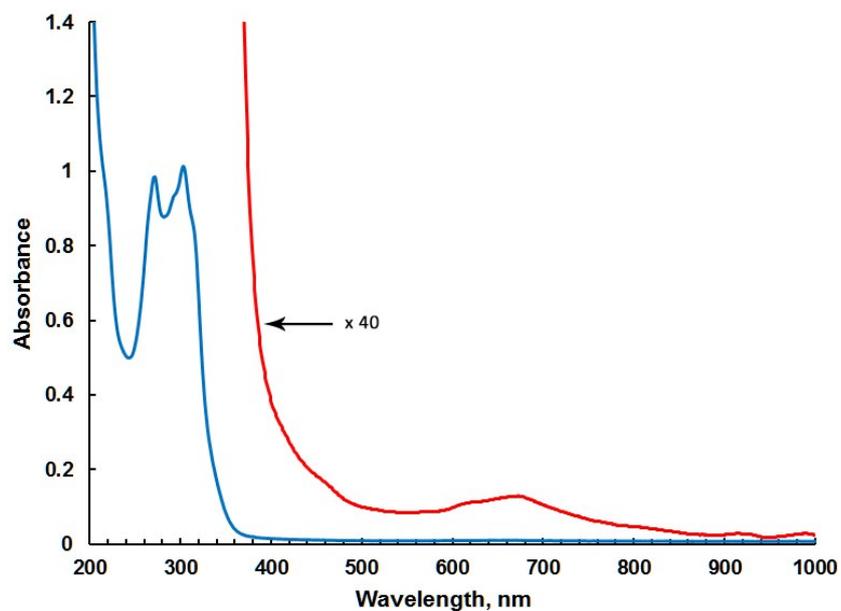


Figure S13. UV-Vis spectrum of $[\text{Cu}(\text{Py}_3\text{P})(\text{O},\text{O}'\text{-hfac})(\text{O-hfac})]$ (**3**) recorded for MeCN solution.

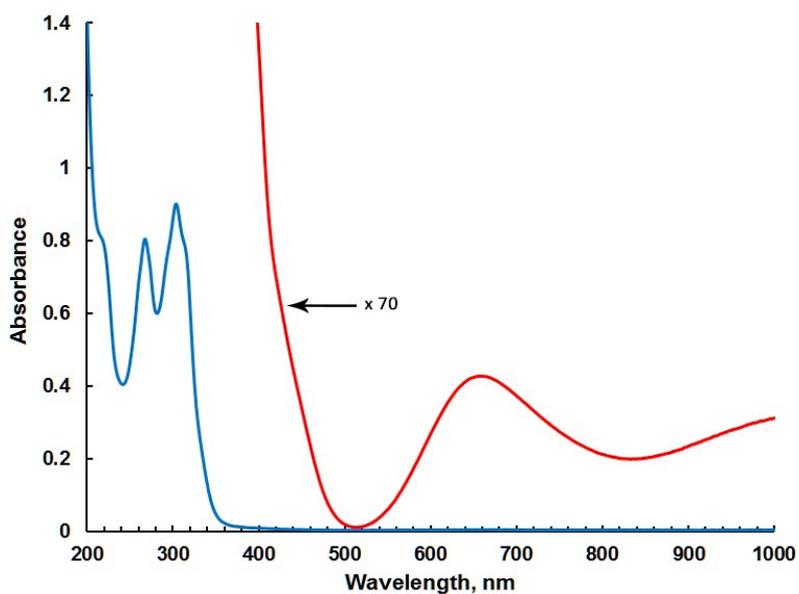


Figure S14. UV-Vis spectrum of $[\text{Cu}(\text{Py}_3\text{P}=\text{O})(\text{O},\text{O}'\text{-hfac})(\text{O-hfac})]$ (**4**) recorded for MeCN solution.

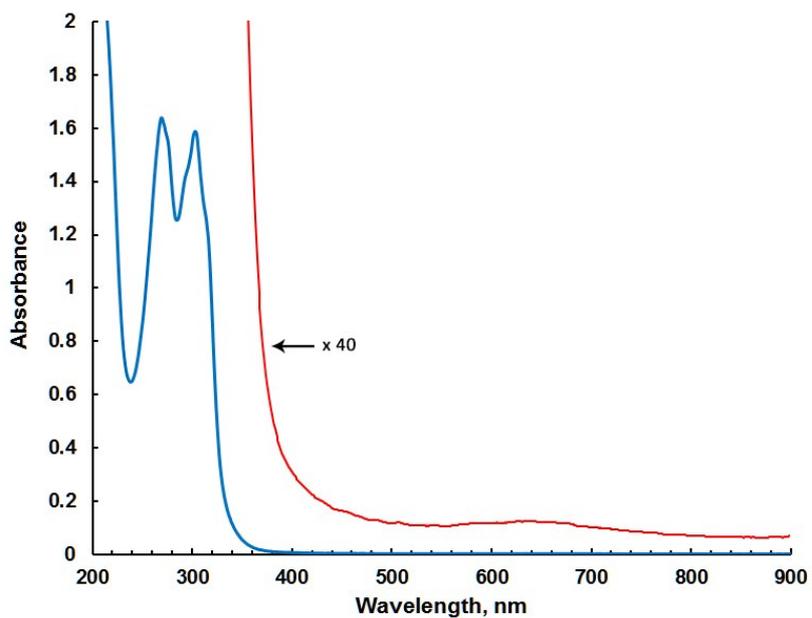


Figure S15. UV-Vis spectrum of $[\text{Cu}(\text{Py}_3\text{P})_2](\text{hfac})_2$ (**5**) recorded for MeCN solution.

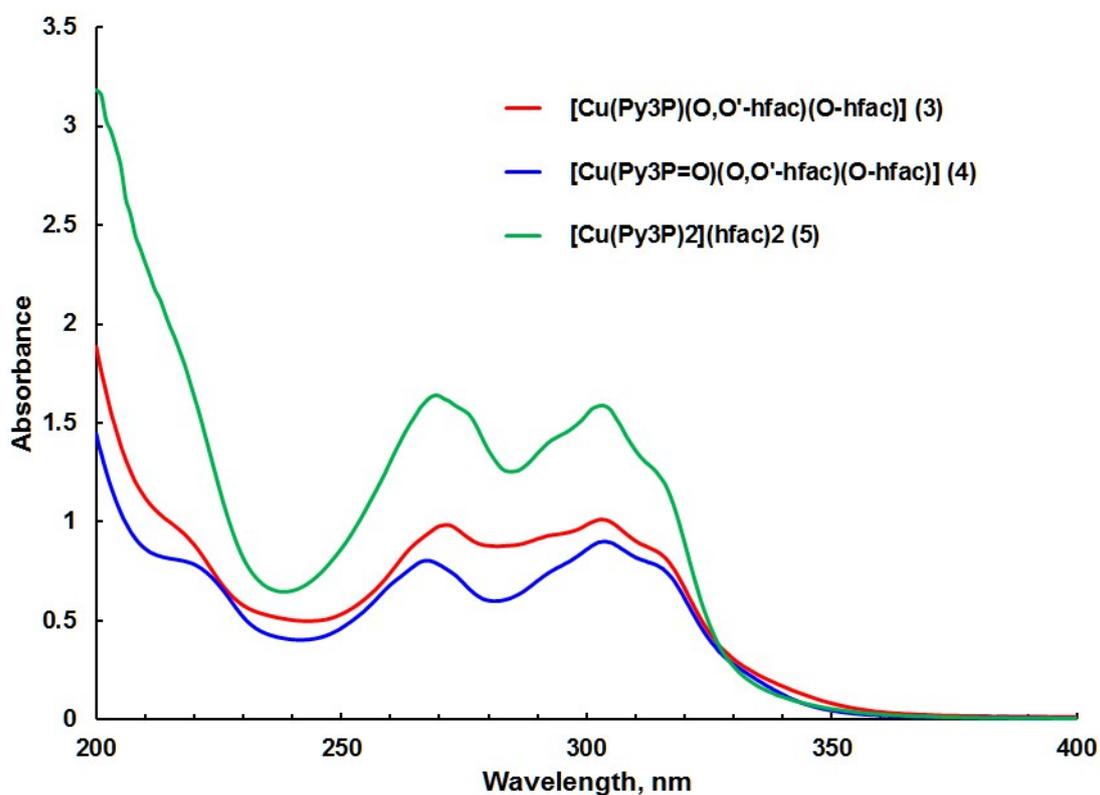


Figure S16. UV-Vis spectra of complexes **3-5** recorded for MeCN solution.

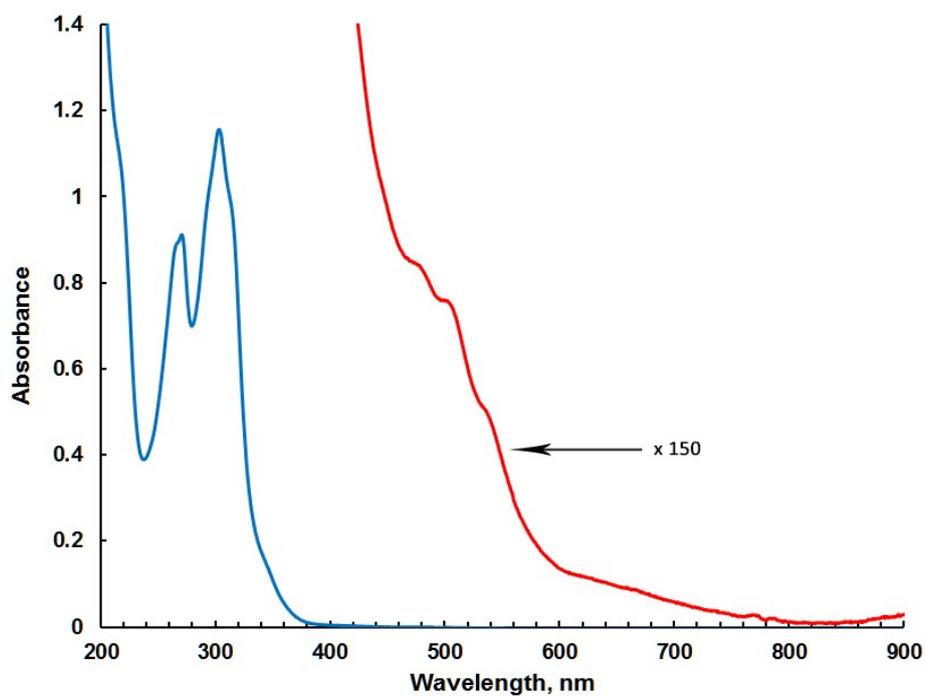


Figure S17. UV-Vis spectrum of $[\text{Co}(\text{Py}_3\text{P}=\text{O})(\text{O},\text{O}'\text{-hfac})(\text{H}_2\text{O})](\text{hfac})$ (**6**) recorded for MeCN solution.

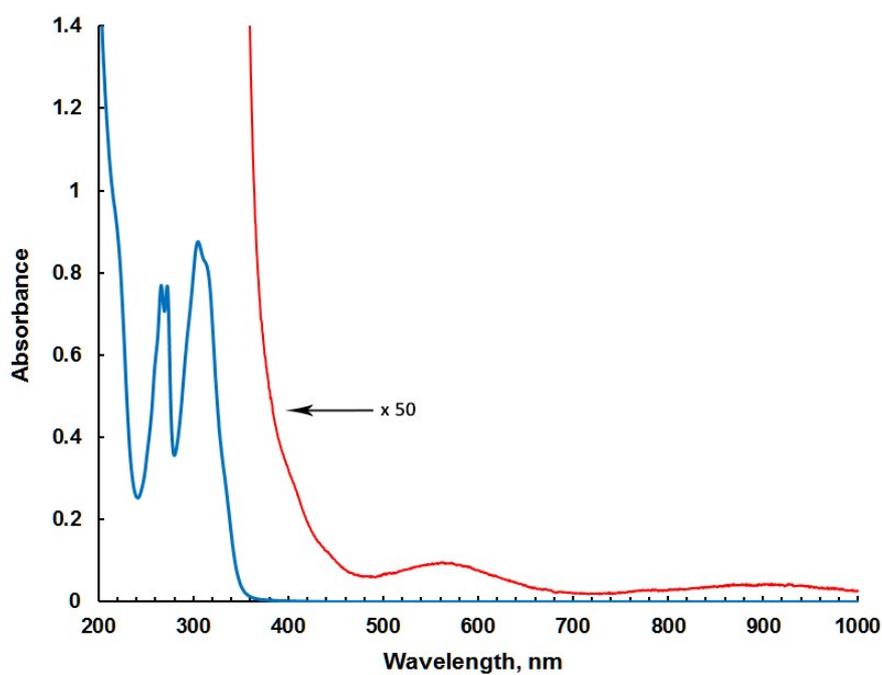


Figure S18. UV-Vis spectrum of $[\text{Ni}(\text{Py}_3\text{P}=\text{O})(\text{O},\text{O}'\text{-hfac})(\text{H}_2\text{O})](\text{hfac})$ (**7**) recorded for MeCN solution.

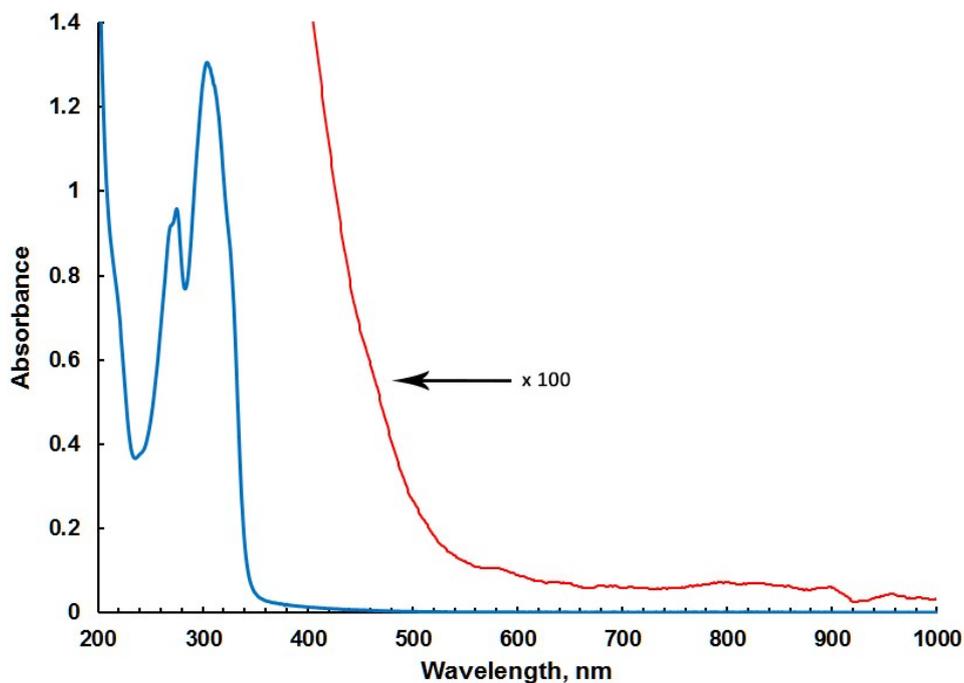


Figure S19. UV-Vis spectrum of $[\text{Mn}(\text{Py}_3\text{P})_2][\text{Mn}(\text{hfac})_3]_2$ (**8**) recorded for MeCN solution.

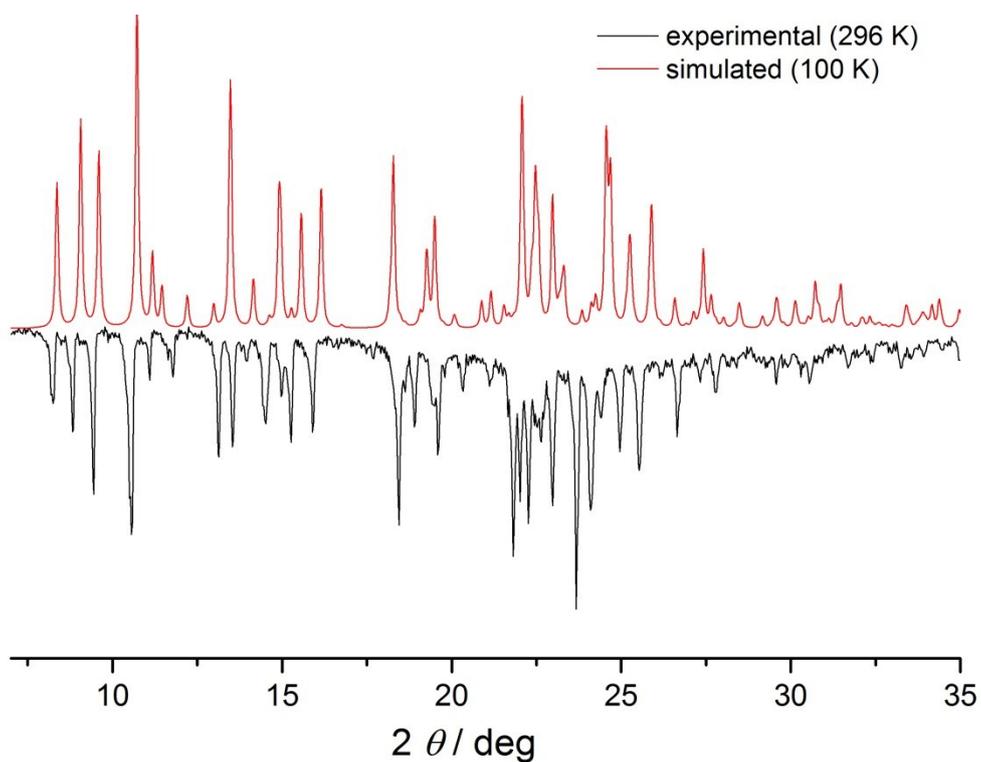


Figure S20. Experimental and simulated X-ray powder patterns for complex **3**.

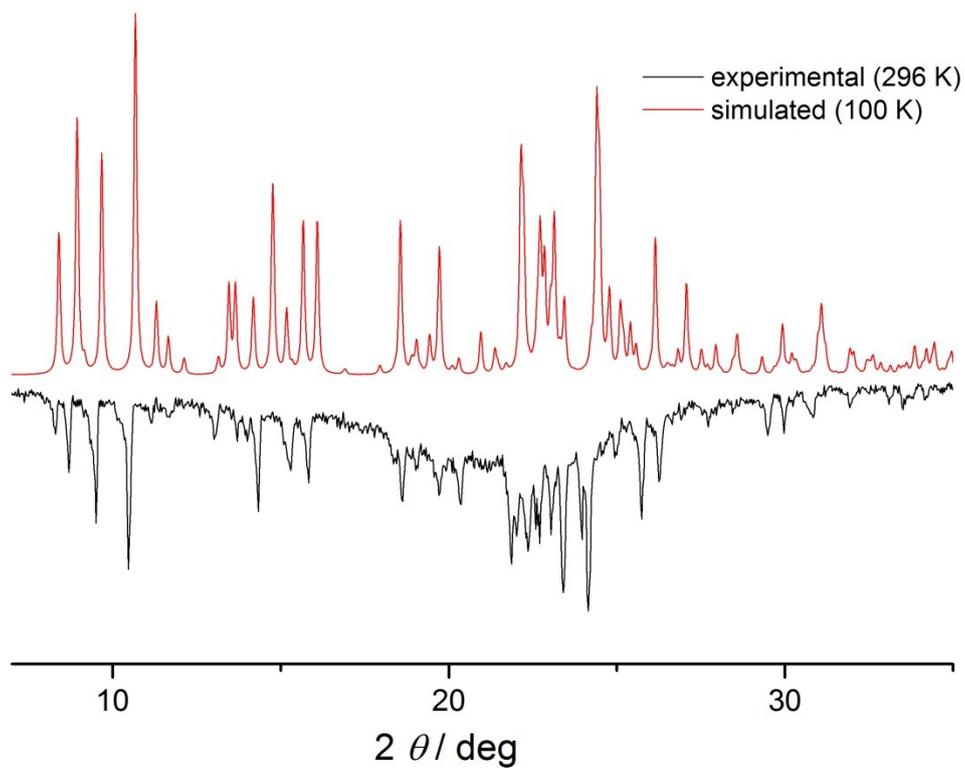


Figure S21. Experimental and simulated X-ray powder patterns for complex 4.

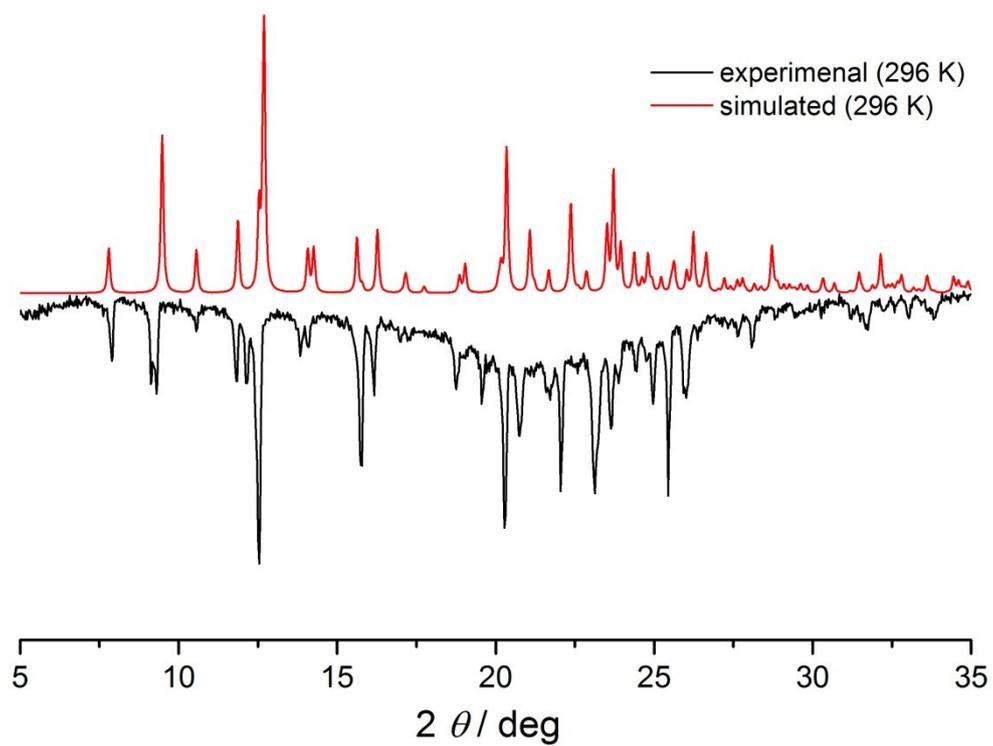


Figure S22. Experimental and simulated X-ray powder patterns for complex 5.

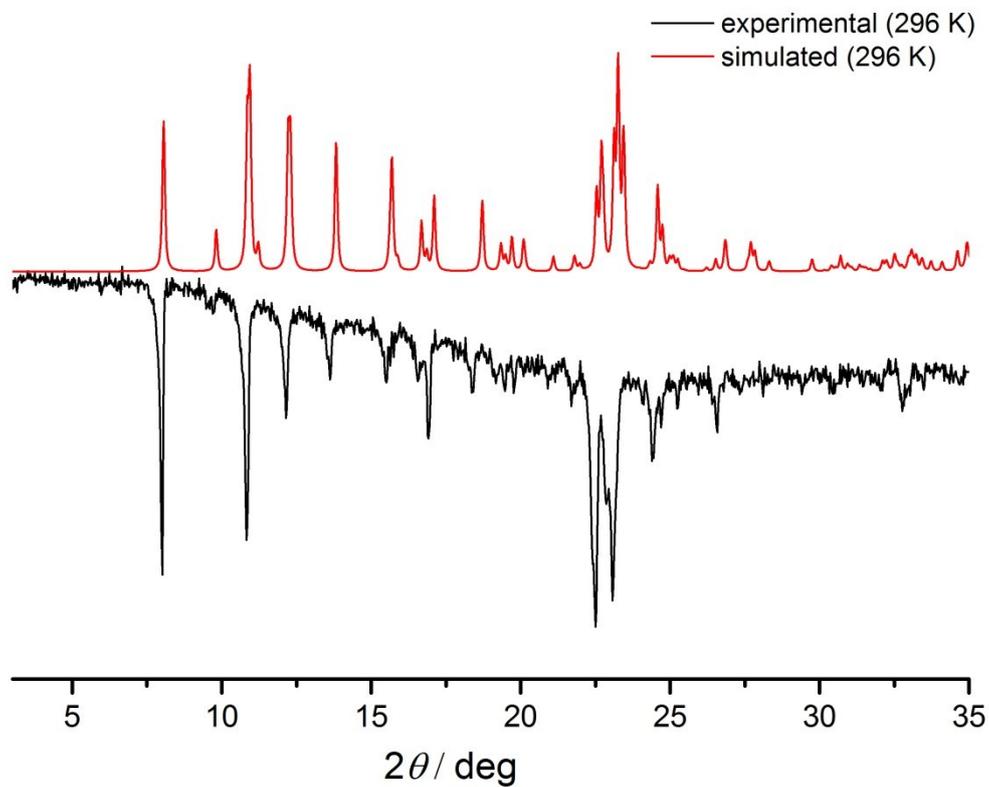


Figure S23. Experimental and simulated X-ray powder patterns for complex 6.

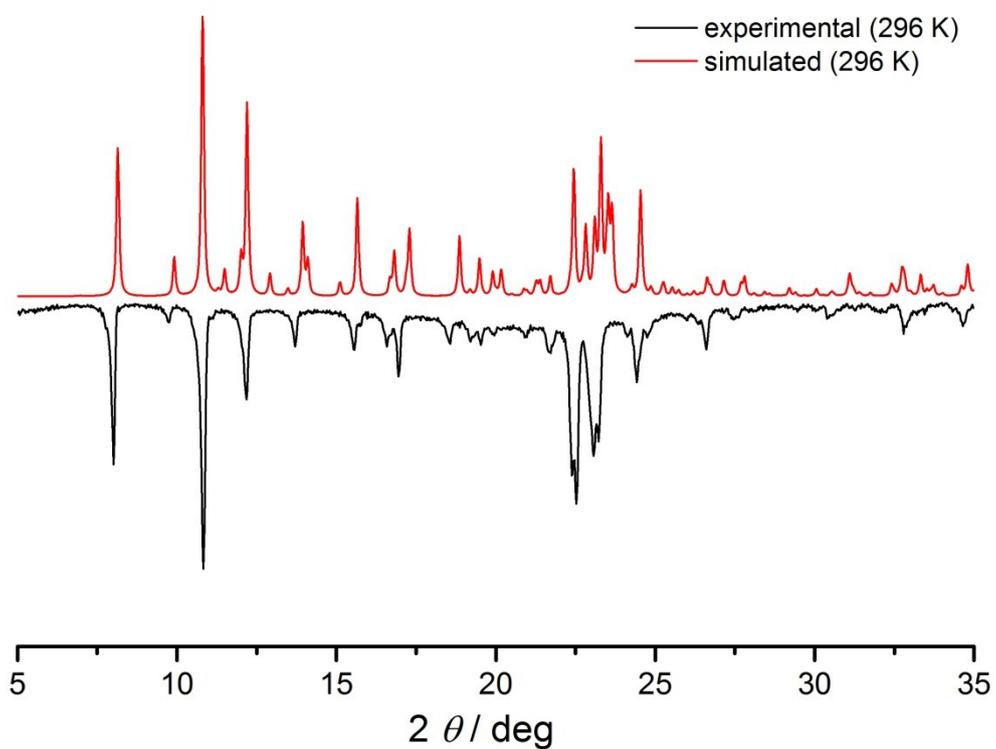


Figure S24. Experimental and simulated X-ray powder patterns for complex 7.