

Electronic Supplementary Information

Ferrocenecarboxylate-functionalized titanium-oxo-cluster: ferrocene wheel as sensitizer for photocurrent response

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Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinements summary for **C1**, **C2** and **C3**.

	C1	C2	C3
Empirical formula	C ₈₄ H ₉₆ O ₂₄ Ti ₆ Fe ₆	C ₈₄ H ₈₄ O ₂₄ Ti ₆	C ₉₀ H ₉₆ O ₂₄ Ti ₆
Formula weight	2112.10	1764.91	1849.06
Crystal system	monoclinic	triclinic	triclinic
Space group	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ / <i>n</i>	<i>P</i> -1	<i>P</i> -1
<i>a</i> (Å)	16.8249(7)	13.3081(10)	13.4769(14)
<i>b</i> (Å)	13.8268(4)	13.8105(12)	13.9496(15)
<i>c</i> (Å)	19.4260(7)	14.5437(11)	14.1303(13)
α (°)	90	63.018(8)	65.816(10)
β (°)	90.638(4)	66.477(7)	83.373(9)
γ (°)	90	62.871(8)	62.506(11)
<i>V</i> (Å ³)	4518.9(3)	2056.8(4)	2140.7(4)
<i>Z</i>	2	1	1
ρ_{calcd} (g cm ⁻³)	1.552	1.425	1.434
μ (mm ⁻¹)	1.501	0.630	0.609
<i>F</i> (000)	2160	912	960
<i>T</i> (K)	295(2)	295(2)	295(2)
Measured refls.	19561	14685	16003
Independent refls.	8852	7251	8402
<i>R</i> _{int}	0.0391	0.0717	0.0248
GOF	1.022	1.036	1.034
<i>R</i> ₁ [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)] ^[a]	0.0501	0.0805	0.0442
<i>wR</i> ₂ [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)] ^[b]	0.1070	0.1310	0.1129

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

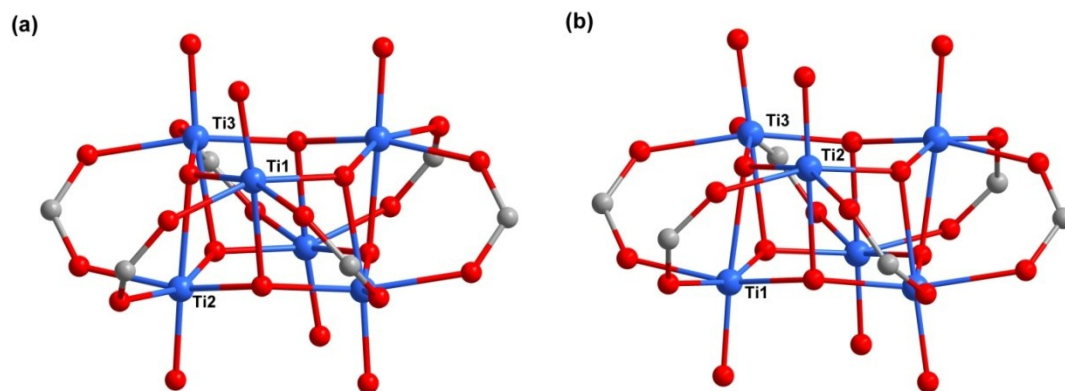


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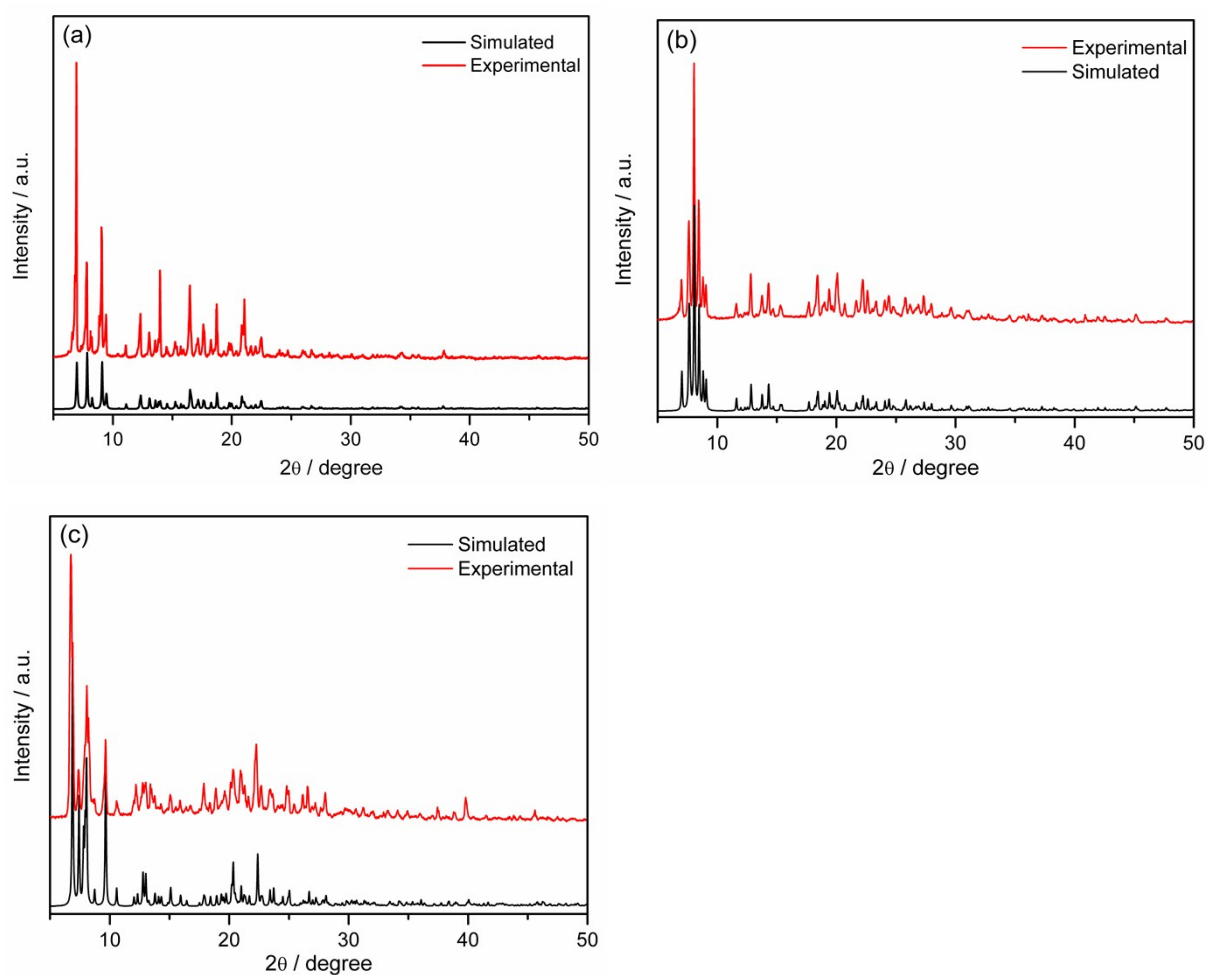


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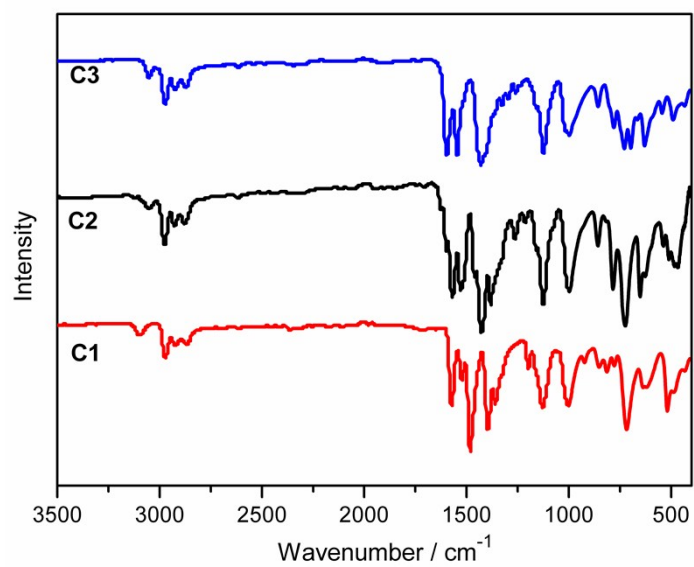


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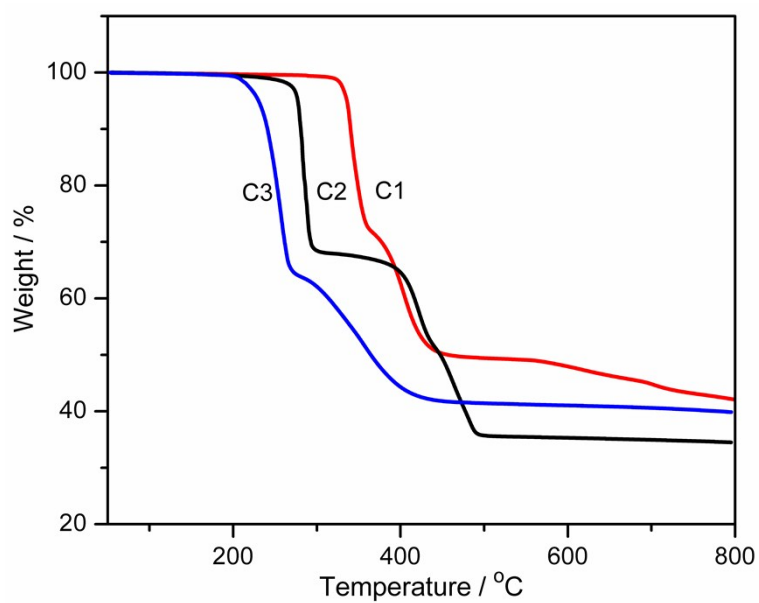


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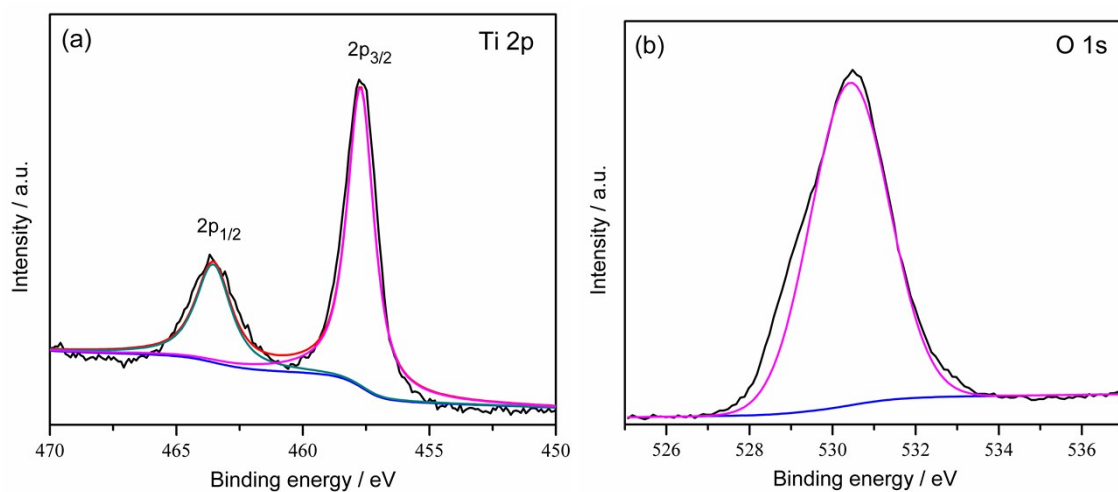


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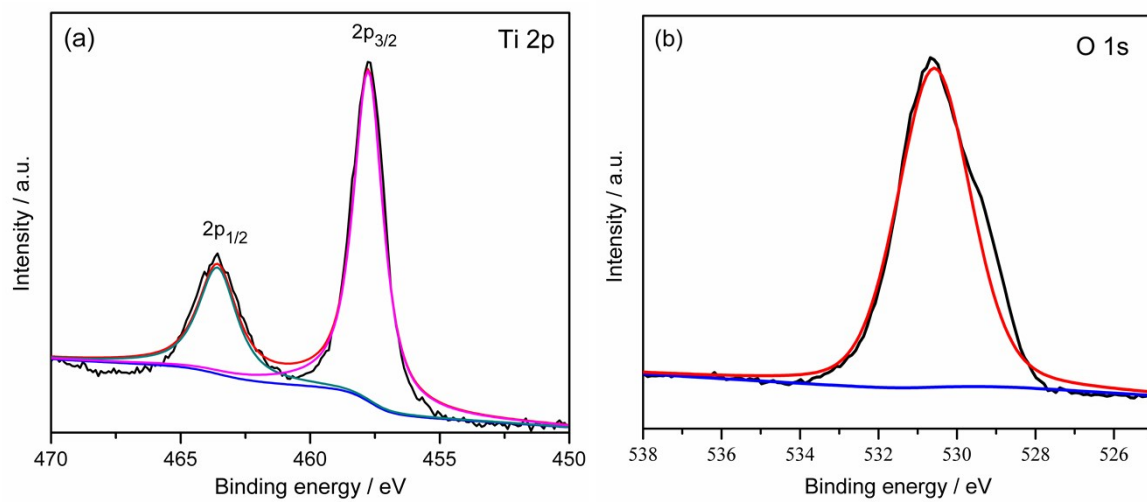


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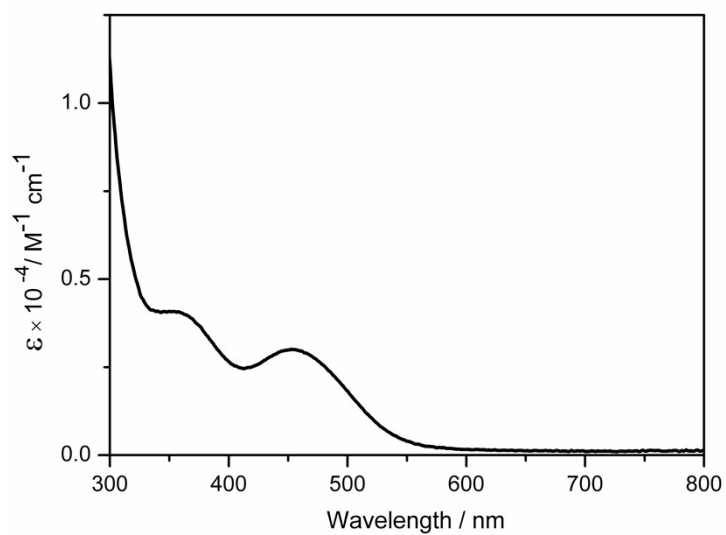


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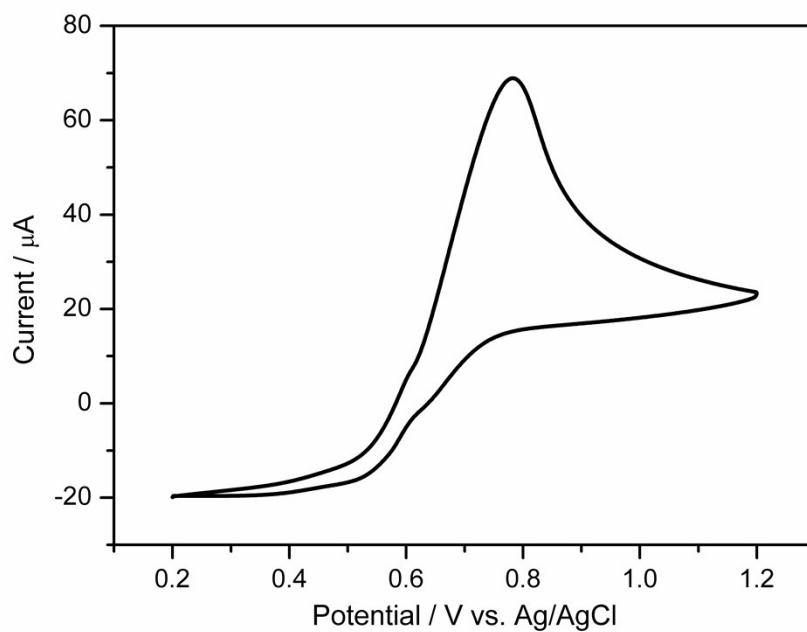


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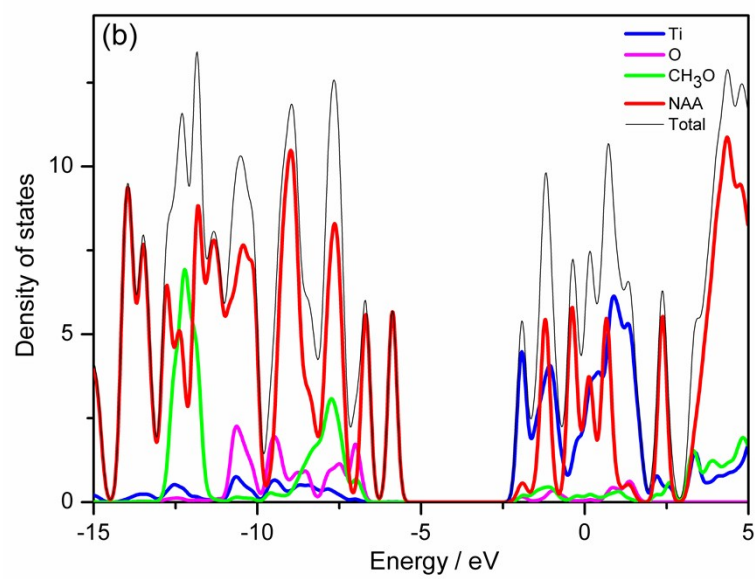
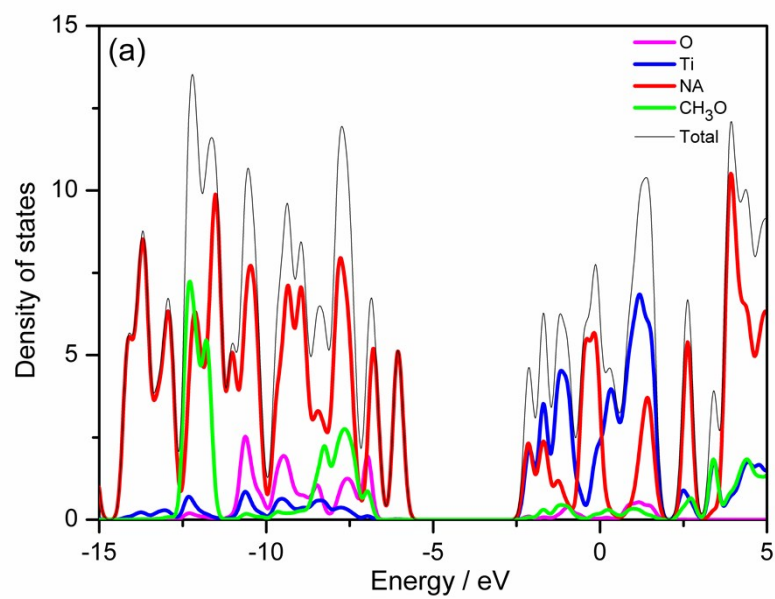


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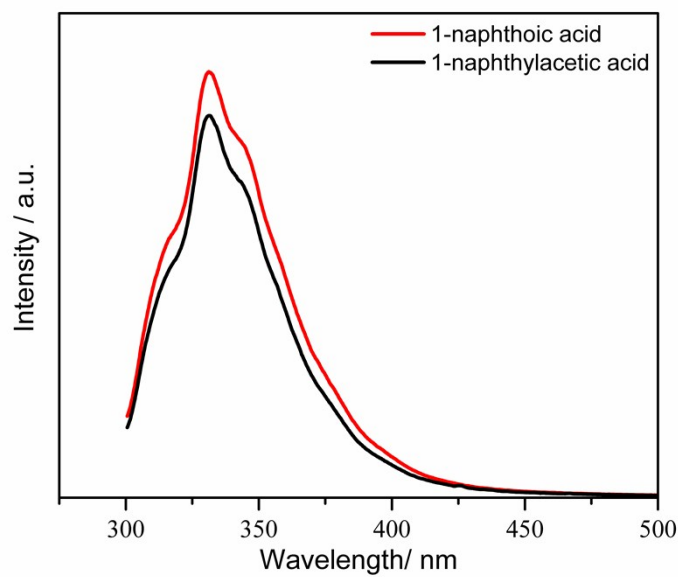


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