

## Supporting Information

### Design of Synthetic Superoxide Dismutase Mimetics: Seven-Coordinate Water Soluble Manganese(II) and Iron(II) Complexes and Their Superoxide Dismutase Like Activity Studies

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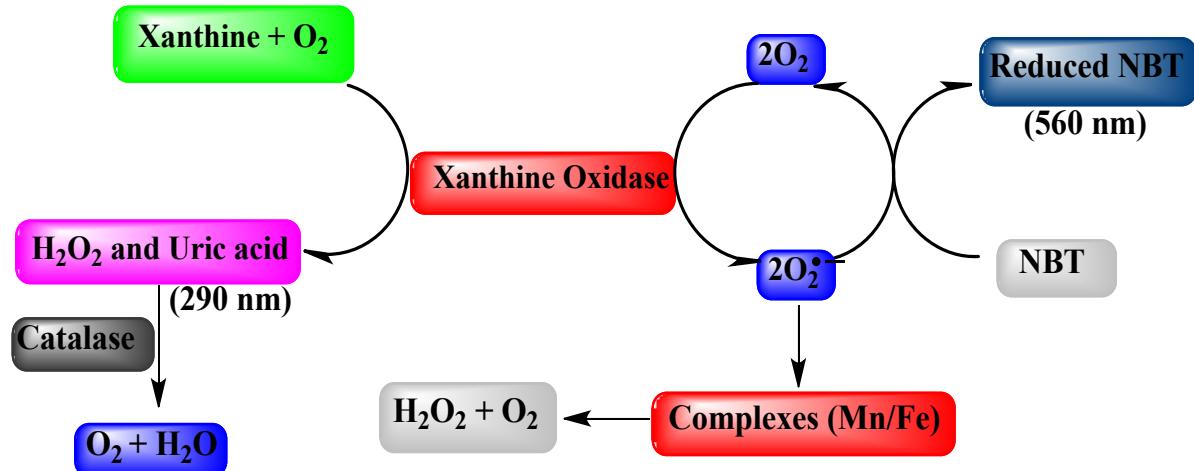
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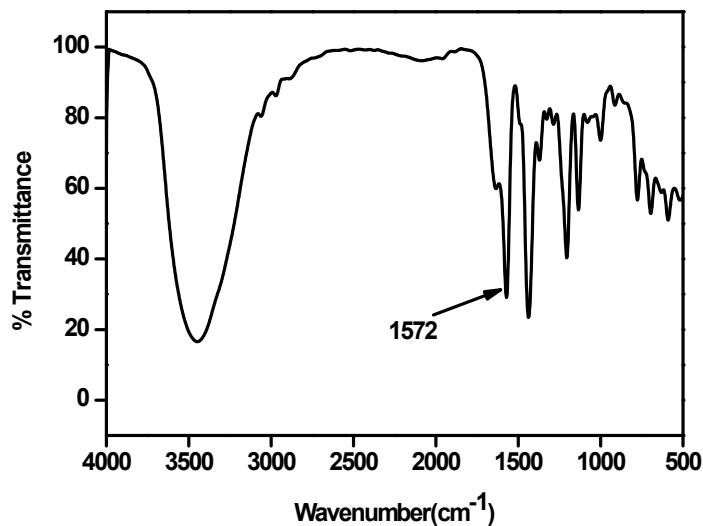
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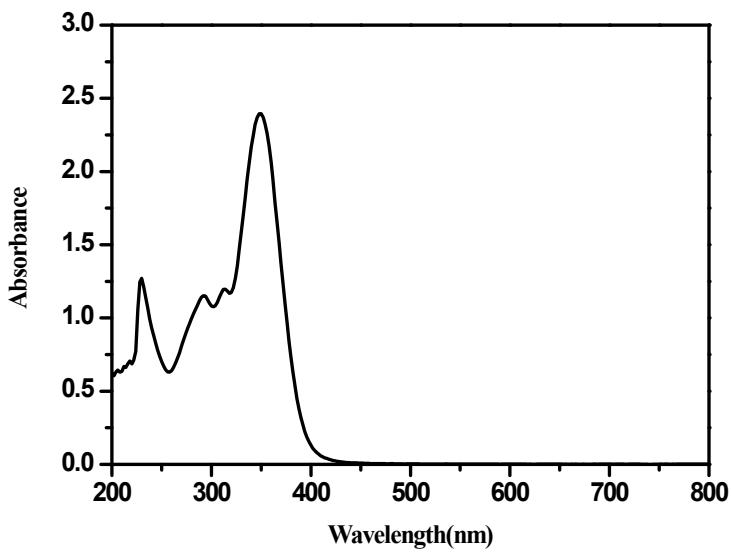
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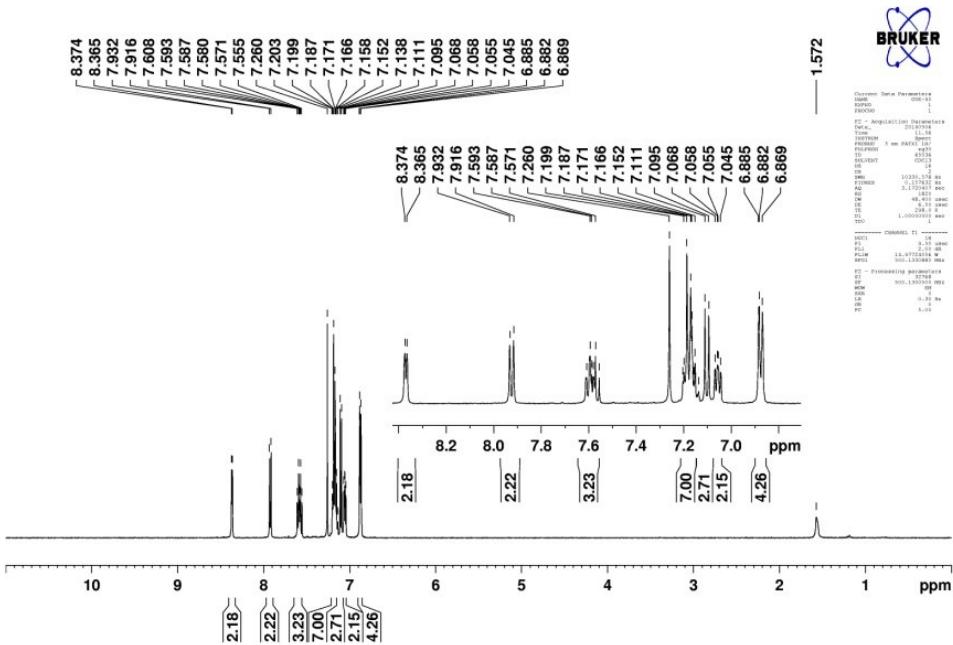
**Chart S1.** Schematic diagram of superoxide dismutase activity.



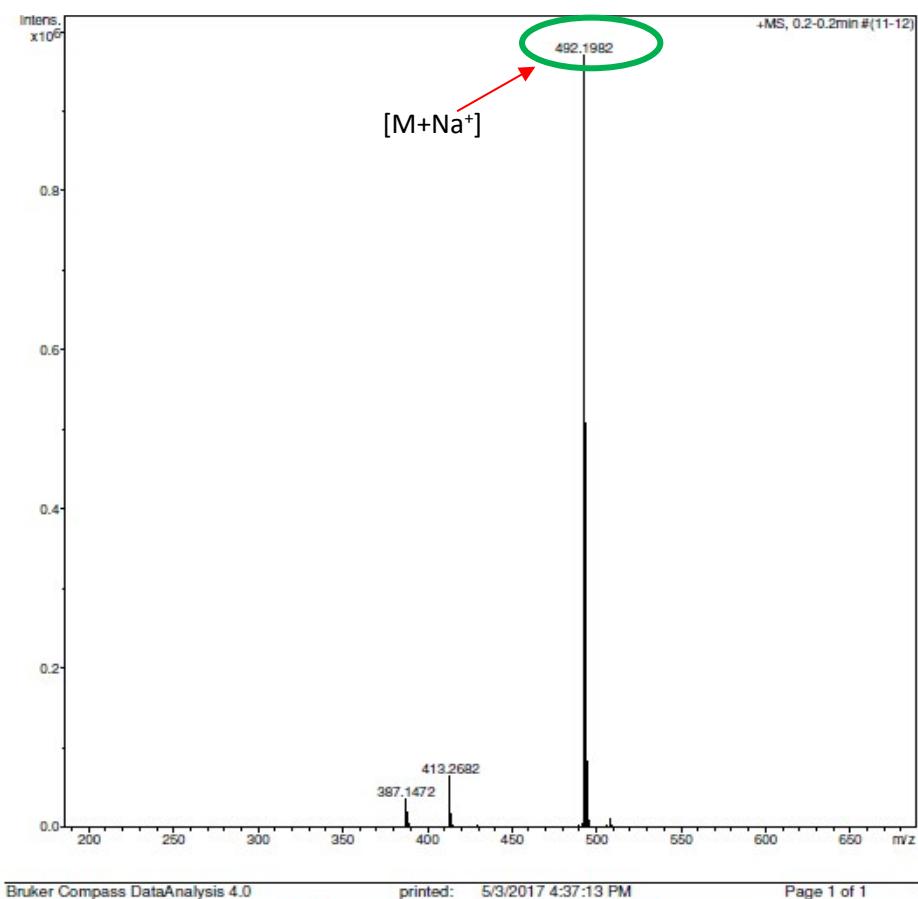
**Fig. S1** IR spectrum of ligand N<sub>5</sub>Py



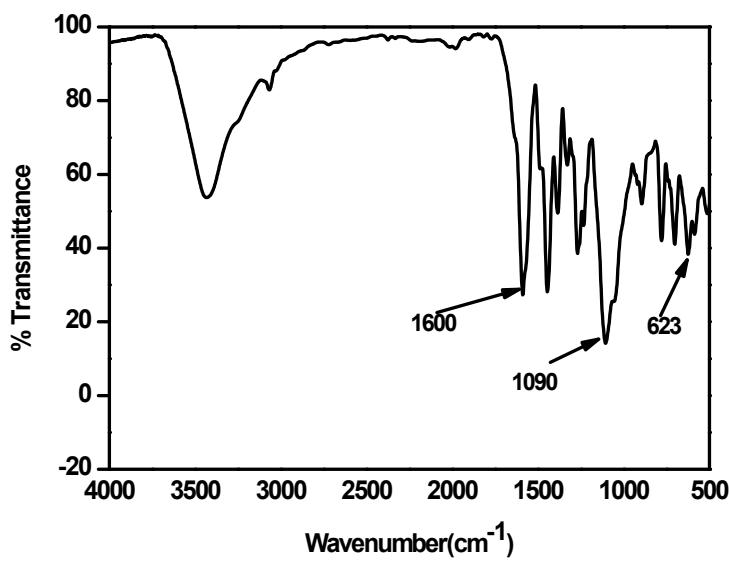
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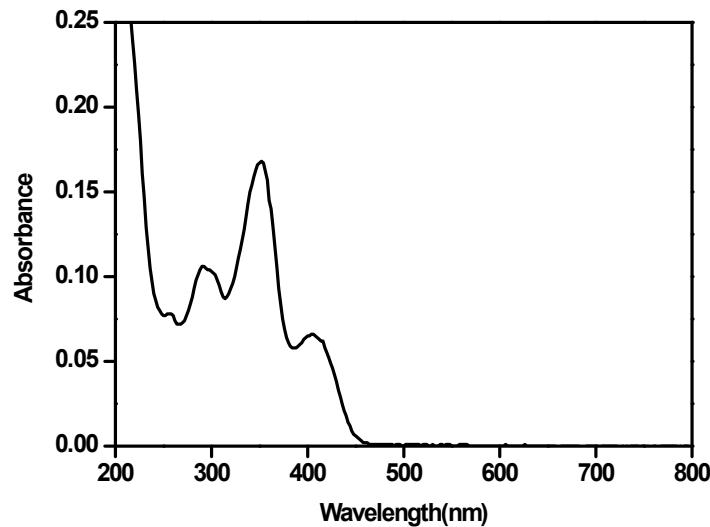
**Fig. S3**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of ligand N<sub>5</sub>Py in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



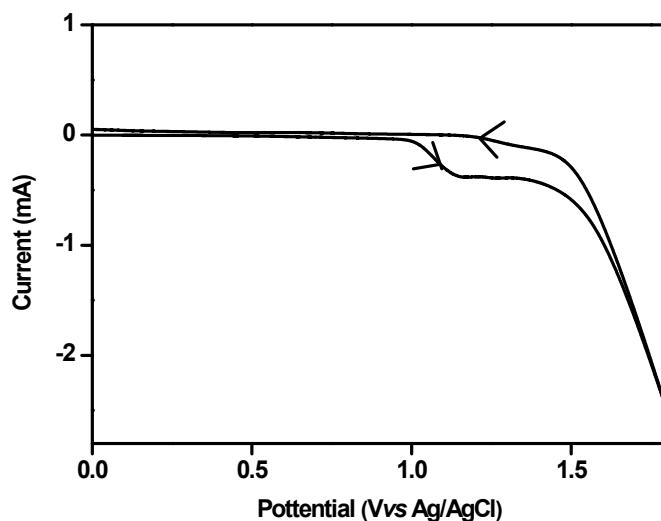
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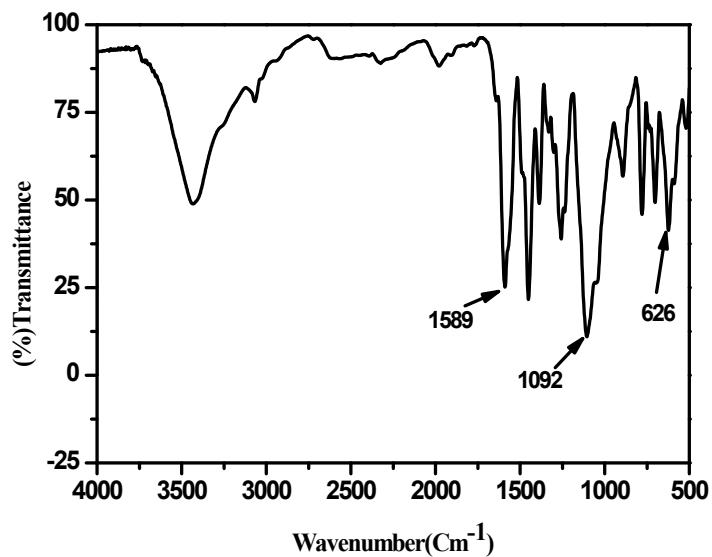
**Fig. S5** IR spectrum of complex 1



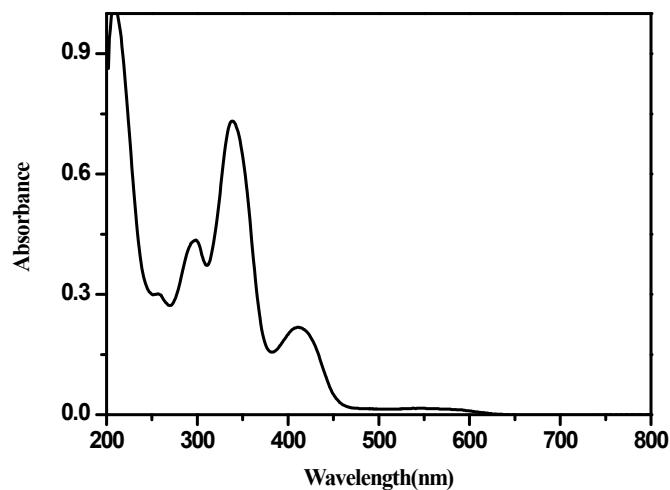
**Fig. S6**UV-visible spectrum of complex **1**  $[\text{Mn}(\text{N}_5\text{Py})(\text{H}_2\text{O})(\text{CH}_3\text{OH})](\text{ClO}_4)_2$



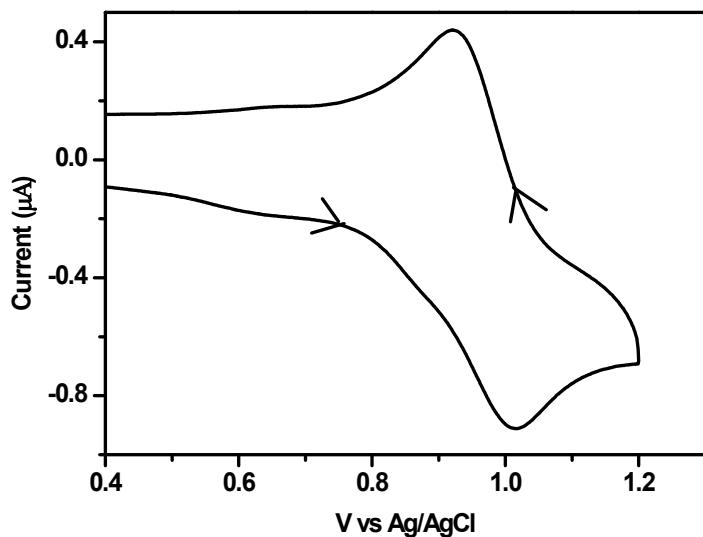
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**Fig. S8** IR spectrum of complex **2**



**Fig. S9** UV-visible spectrum of complex**2**,  $[\text{Fe}(\text{N}_5\text{Py})(\text{H}_2\text{O})(\text{ClO}_4)]\text{ClO}_4$ .



**Fig. S10** Cyclic voltammograms of a  $10^{-3}$  M solution of complex **2** in DMSO in presence of 0.1 M tetrabutylammonium perchlorate (TBAP), using working electrode: glassy-carbon, reference electrode: Ag/AgCl; auxiliary electrode: platinum wire, scan rate  $0.1 \text{ Vs}^{-1}$ .

Table S1. Electrochemical data for $\text{M}^{\text{II}}/\text{M}^{\text{III}}$ redox couple 298 K <sup>a</sup> vs Ag/ AgCl. (M = Mn and Fe)				
Complexes	$\text{M}^{\text{II}}/\text{M}^{\text{III}}$			
	$E_{\text{pa}}/\text{V}$	$E_{\text{pc}}/\text{V}$	$E_{1/2}^{\text{b}}, \text{V} (\Delta E_p^{\text{c}}, \text{mV})$	${}^{\text{d}}n = i_{\text{pa}}/i_{\text{pc}}$
<b>1</b>	1.14	.....	.....	.....
<b>2</b>	1.01	0.92	0.96(90)	2.068

[<sup>a</sup>] Electrochemical data measured in DMSO with 0.1m tetrabutylammonium perchlorate (TBAP). [<sup>b</sup>]Data from cyclic voltammetric measurements;  $E_{1/2}$  is calculated as average of anodic ( $E_{\text{pa}}$ ) and cathodic ( $E_{\text{pc}}$ ) peak potentials  $E_{1/2}=1/2(E_{\text{pa}}+E_{\text{pc}})$ ; and [<sup>c</sup>]  $\Delta E_p = E_{\text{pa}} - E_{\text{pc}}$  at scan rate  $0.1 \text{ Vs}^{-1}$ , [<sup>d</sup>] Constant-potential coulometric data  $n=i_{\text{pa}}/i_{\text{pc}}$  calculated for  $1\text{e}^-$ -transfer.

**Table S2.**Crystallographic parameters of complex **1** and **2**

<b>Complex</b>	<b>Complex 1</b>	<b>Complex 2</b>
<b>Colour</b>	Orange	Red
<b>Empirical formula</b>	C30 H29 Mn N7 O2, 2(Cl O4)	C29 H25 Cl Fe N7 O5, (Cl O4)
<b>Formula weight [g mol<sup>-1</sup>]</b>	773.44	742.31
<b>Temperature [K]</b>	90(2)	296(2)
<b>λ [Å] (Mo-Kα)</b>	0.71073	0.71073
<b>Crystal system</b>	triclinic	monoclinic
<b>Space group</b>	P-1	P21/n
<b>a [Å]</b>	9.3017(5)	16.2831(10)
<b>b [Å]</b>	14.0136(7)	8.1985(5)
<b>c [Å]</b>	14.6344(8)	24.4790(14)
<b>α [°]</b>	111.6887(7)	90.00
<b>β [°]</b>	103.5835(7)	101.909(3)
<b>γ [°]</b>	100.6113(7)	90.00
<b>V [Å<sup>3</sup>]</b>	1643.62(15)	3197.5(3)
<b>Crystal size[mm]</b>	0.440x 0.200x 0.120	0.22x 0.22x 0.22
<b>Z</b>	2	4
<b>ρcalc [gcm<sup>-3</sup>]</b>	1.563	1.542
<b>F(000)</b>	794	1520
<b>θ range for data Collection</b>	2.361-31.501	1.38-27.89
<b>Index ranges</b>	-13<h<13, -20<k<21, -21<l<21	-21<h<21, -10<k<10, -32<l<32
<b>Refinement method</b>	Full matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>	Full matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>
<b>Data/restraints/parameters</b>	10848/4/511	7637/0/441
<b>GOF on F<sup>2</sup></b>	1.057	1.094
<b>R<sub>1</sub><sup>b</sup>[I&gt;2σ(I)]</b>	0.0326	0.0431
<b>R<sub>1</sub>[all data]</b>	0.0344	0.0710
<b>wR<sub>2</sub><sup>c</sup>[I&gt; 2σ(I)]</b>	0.0872	0.1239
<b>wR<sub>2</sub> [all data]</b>	0.0857	0.1490

<sup>a</sup>GOF =  $[\sum[w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2] / (M-N)]^{1/2}$  (M = number of reflections, N = number of parameters refined). <sup>b</sup> R<sub>1</sub> =  $\sum \|F_o - F_c\| / \sum |F_o|$ , <sup>c</sup> wR<sub>2</sub> =  $[\sum[w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2] / \sum [w(F_o^2)]^{1/2}]^{1/2}$

**Table S3.** Selected bond distances (Å) of complex **1**

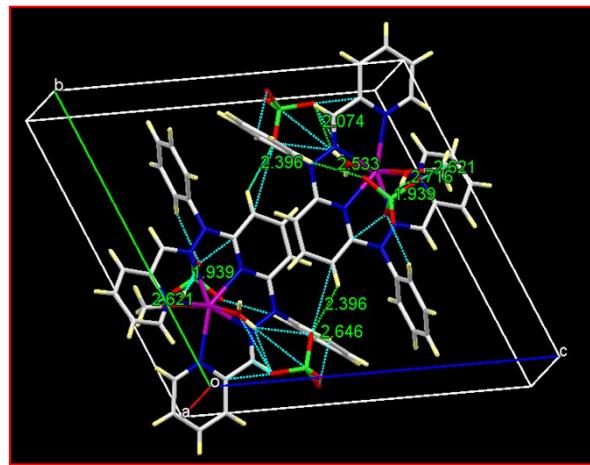
Bond type	Experimental	Theoretical
Mn1-O1	2.154(4)	2.244
Mn1-O2	2.220(5)	2.250
Mn1-N4	2.311(4)	2.328
Mn1-N2	2.321(3)	2.336
Mn1-N7	2.341(4)	2.395
Mn1-N6	2.356(4)	2.359
Mn1-N1	2.394(2)	2.378

**Table S4.** Selected bond distances (Å) of complex **2**

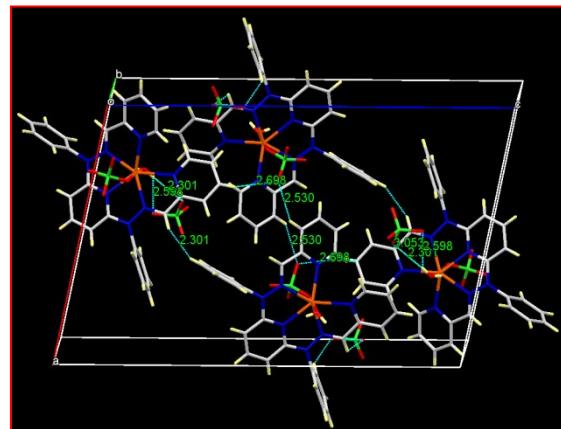
Bond type	Experimental	Theoretical
Fe1-O10	2.137 (3)	2.137
Fe1-N5	2.218 (4)	2.230
Fe1-N6	2.222 (4)	2.221
Fe1-N7	2.231 (4)	2.218
Fe1-O4	2.276 (3)	2.275
Fe1-N4	2.286 (3)	2.306
Fe1-N3	2.306(3)	2.285

**Table S5.** Selected bond angels(°)

Complex <b>1</b>			Complex <b>2</b>	
<b>1</b>	O1—Mn1—O2	173.03(13)	O10—Fe1—N6	88.95(10)
<b>2</b>	O1—Mn1—N4	97.68(13)	O10—Fe1—N5	94.21(10)
<b>3</b>	O2—Mn1—N4	87.68(10)	N6—Fe1—N5	69.50(9)
<b>4</b>	O1—Mn1—N2	84.58(14)	O10—Fe1—N7	86.22(10)
<b>5</b>	O2—Mn1—N2	93.42(10)	N6—Fe1—N7	69.33(8)
<b>6</b>	N4—Mn1—N2	67.68(9)	N5—Fe1—N7	138.81(9)
<b>7</b>	O1—Mn1—N7	83.79(13)	O10—Fe1—O4	171.92(9)
<b>8</b>	O2—Mn1—N7	95.7(1)	N6—Fe1—O4	88.12(9)
<b>9</b>	N4—Mn1—N7	134.00(9)	N5—Fe1—O4	77.71(9)
<b>10</b>	N2—Mn1—N7	156.7(1)	N7—Fe1—O4	99.76(9)
<b>11</b>	O1—Mn1—N6	105.33(14)	O10—Fe1—N4	104.67(10)
<b>12</b>	O2—Mn1—N6	80.84(11)	N6—Fe1—N4	136.99(9)
<b>13</b>	N4—Mn1—N6	66.78(10)	N5—Fe1—N4	146.39(9)
<b>14</b>	N2—Mn1—N6	134.26(11)	N7—Fe1—N4	71.10(9)
<b>15</b>	N7—Mn1—N6	68.55(10)	O4—Fe1—N4	82.53(9)
<b>16</b>	O1—Mn1—N1	90.79(13)	O10—Fe1—N3	80.69(10)
<b>17</b>	O2—Mn1—N1	82.25(10)	N6—Fe1—N3	138.43(8)
<b>18</b>	N4—Mn1—N1	135.35(10)	N5—Fe1—N3	71.27(8)
<b>19</b>	N2—Mn1—N1	69.66(10)	N7—Fe1—N3	148.33(9)
<b>20</b>	N7—Mn1—N1	90.38(10)	O4—Fe1—N3	96.58(9)
<b>21</b>	N6—Mn1—N1	151.34(10)	N4—Fe1—N3	84.46(9)

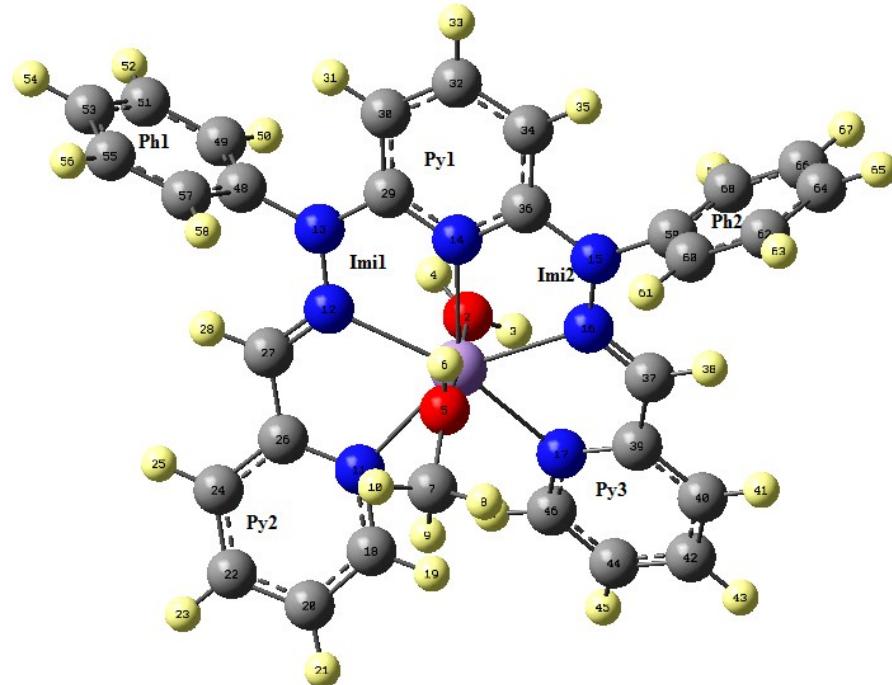


**Fig. S11**Packing diagram of complex **1** showing the short interaction and hydrogen bonding with the neighbor atoms.



**Fig. S12**Packing diagram of Complex **2** showing the short interaction and hydrogen bonding with the neighbor atoms.

**Theoretical calculation:**



**Fig . S13**Ground state optimized geometry of complex **1** usingB3LYP/LANL2DZ.

**Table S6.**Cartesian coordinates for complex **1**

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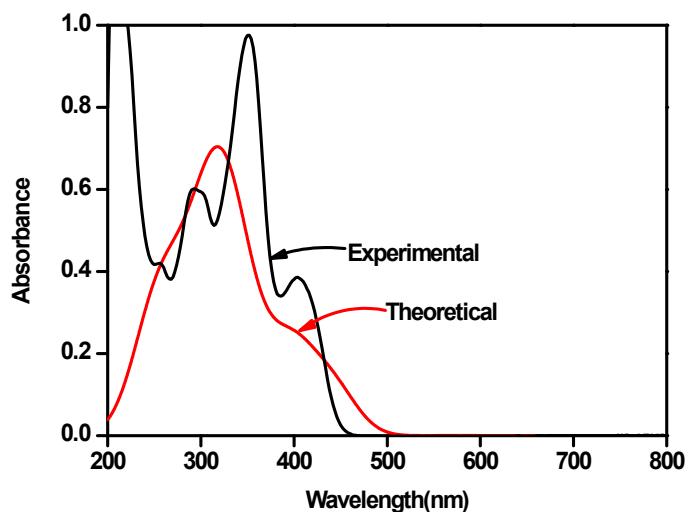
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**Table S7.** Percentage contribution of complex **1** in different orbitals

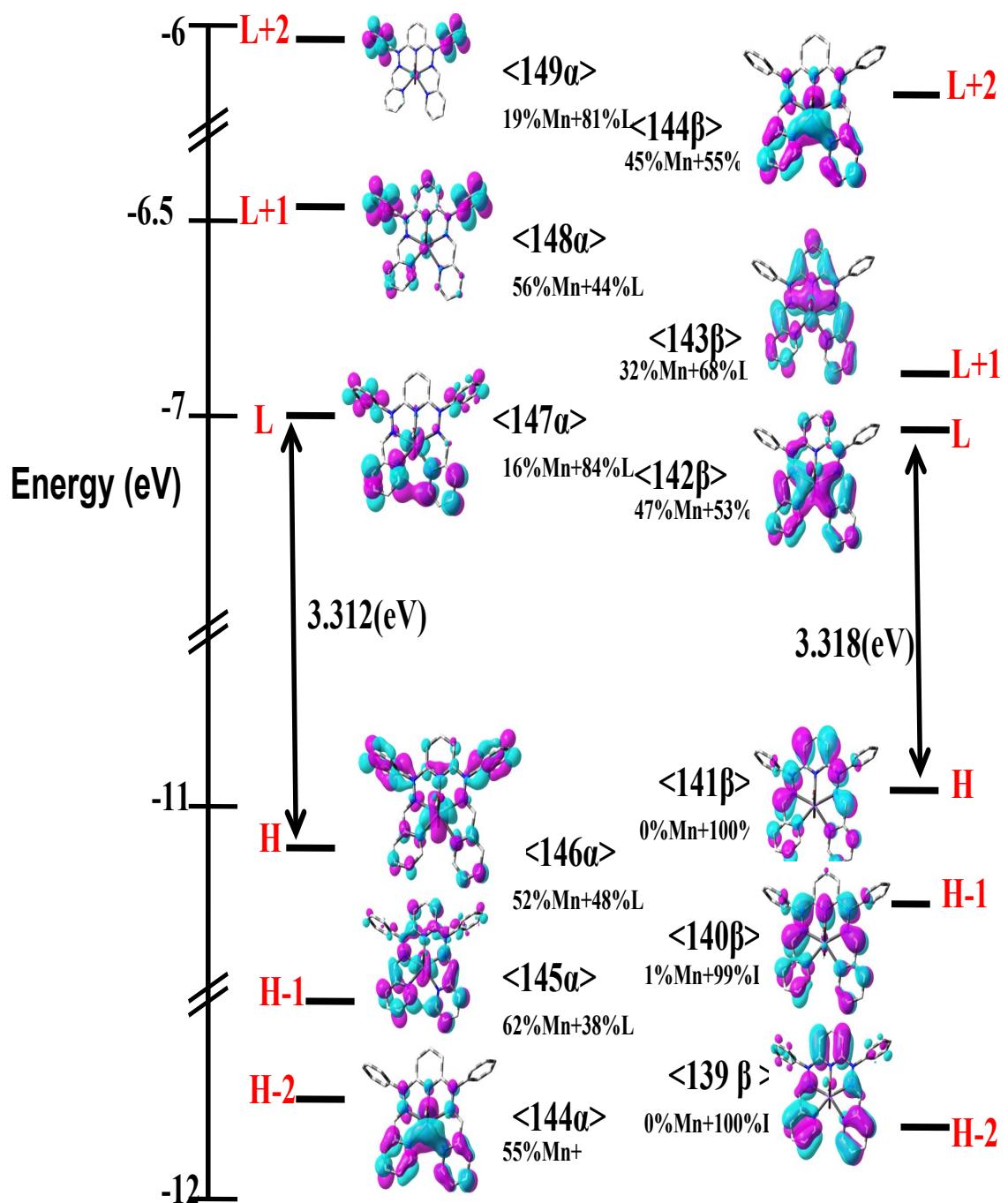
Alpha molecular orbital percentage contribution											
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LUMO+2	0	19	2	33	6	3	5	30	0	1	3d (Fe) + π* L
LUMO+1	0	56	2	10	3	16	2	10	0	21	3d (Fe) + π* L
LUMO	0	16	1	2	1	31	40	6	0	2	3d (Fe) + π* L
HOMO	0	52	5	1	7	13	15	2	0	5	3d (Fe) + π L
HOMO-1	0	62	4	6	5	6	7	5	0	5	3d (Fe) + π L
HOMO-2	0	55	5	0	2	17	16	0	0	4	3d (Fe) + π L
Beta molecular orbital percentage contribution											
LUMO+2	0	55	5	0	2	17	16	0	0	4	3d (Fe) + π* L
LUMO+1	0	32	11	0	19	11	14	0	0	13	3d (Fe) + π* L
LUMO	1	47	10	0	4	15	14	0	0	8	3d (Fe) + π* L
HOMO	0	0	24	1	35	7	7	1	0	25	π L
HOMO-1	0	1	31	2	14	10	10	2	0	31	3d (Fe) + π L
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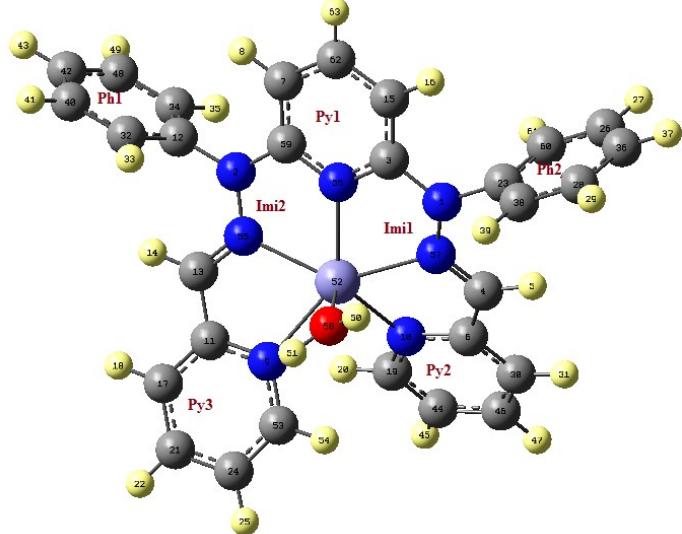
**Fig . S14** UV-visible spectrum of complex **1** experimental as well as theoretical calculation

**Table S8.** Major transition along with their orbital contribution in complex **1**

$\lambda_{\max}$ (nm)	f (Osc. Strength)	Transition and their contributions
291	0.0011	H-8(A) $\rightarrow$ L+1(A) (34%), H-7(A) $\rightarrow$ L+1(A) (32%), H-2(A) $\rightarrow$ L+1(A) (15%) H-6(A) $\rightarrow$ LUMO(A) (6%), H-6(A) $\rightarrow$ L+1(A) (2%)
351	0.0041	H-6(A) $\rightarrow$ L+1(A) (17%), H-3(A) $\rightarrow$ L+1(A) (37%), H-2(A) $\rightarrow$ LUMO(A) (20%) H-8(A) $\rightarrow$ LUMO(A) (6%), H-4(A) $\rightarrow$ L+1(A) (4%), H-2(A) $\rightarrow$ L+1(A) (2%), H-1(A) $\rightarrow$ LUMO(A) (2%), H-1(A) $\rightarrow$ L+1(A) (6%)
441	0.1134	HOMO(A) $\rightarrow$ LUMO(A) (50%), HOMO(B) $\rightarrow$ LUMO(B) (50%)



**Fig.S15** Frontier molecular orbitals of complex **1** showing significant contribution of manganese and ligand ( $N_5Py$ ) in molecular orbitals.



**Fig. S16**Ground state optimized geometry of complex **2** using B3LYP/LANL2DZ.

**Table S9.**Cartesian coordinates for complex **2**

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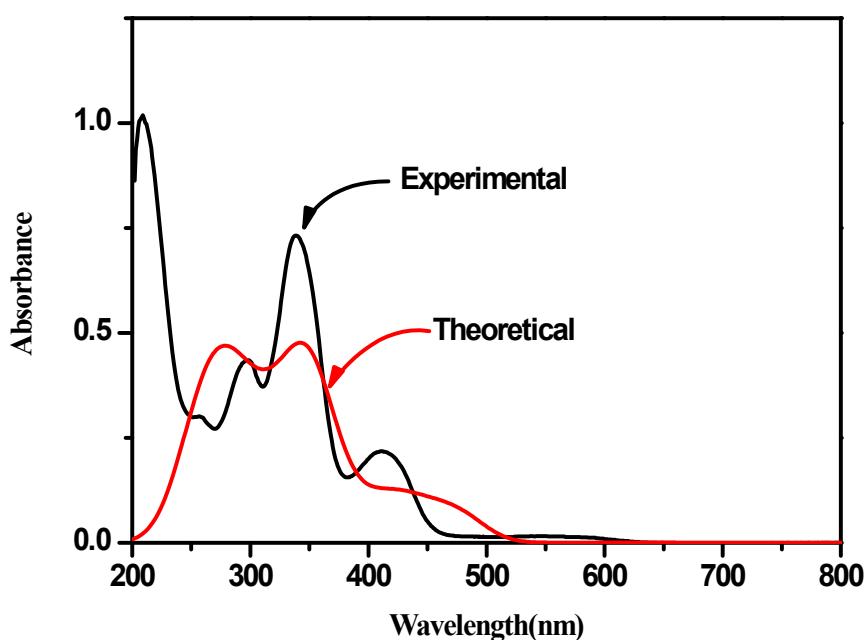
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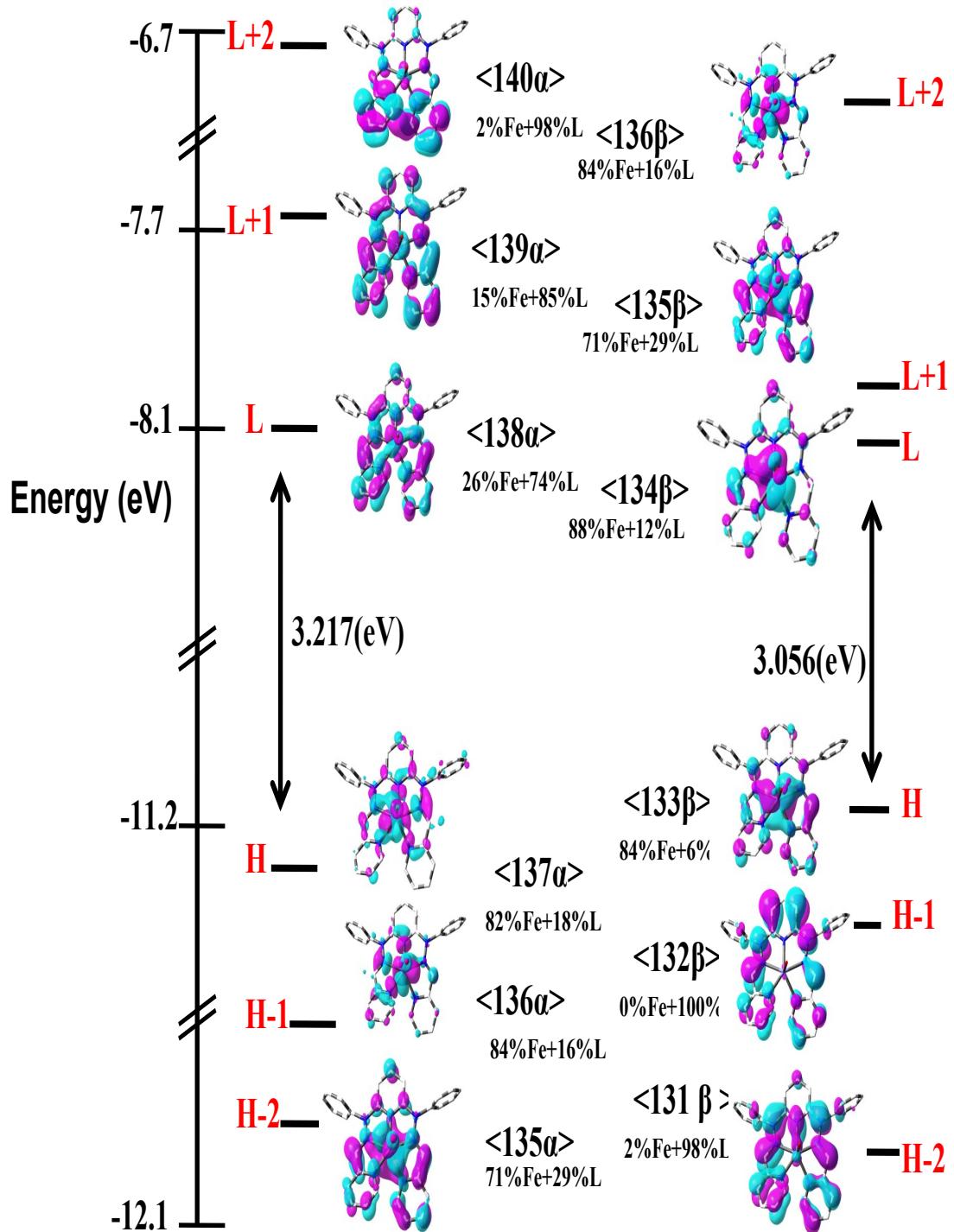
**Fig. S17**UV-visible spectrum of complex **2** experimental as well as theoretical calculation

**Table S10.** Major transition along with their orbital contribution in complex **2**

$\lambda_{\max}$ (nm)	f (Osc. Strength)	Transition and their contributions
293	0.0534	HOMO(A)→L+3(A) (31%), HOMO(B)→L+6(B) (51%) H-11(A)→LUMO(A) (2%), H-10(A)→L+1(A) (2%)
347	0.1799	H-5(A)→LUMO(A) (22%), H-4(A)→LUMO(A) (12%) H-3(A)→L+1(A) (2%), H-2(A)→L+1(A) (5%), HOMO(A)→L+1(A) (2%), HOMO(A)→L+2(A) (2%), H-8(B)→LUMO(B) (2%), H-6(B)→LUMO(B) (9%), H-6(B)→L+1(B) (2%), H-5(B)→LUMO(B) (9%), H-5(B)→L+1(B) (2%), H-3(B)→L+1(B) (9%), HOMO(B)→L+2(B) (3%)
407	0.0663	H-1(A)→LUMO(A) (12%), HOMO(A)→L+1(A) (45%) H-5(A)→LUMO(A) (4%), H-4(A)→LUMO(A) (6%), H-2(A)→LUMO(A) (2%), HOMO(A)→LUMO(A) (2%), H-6(B)→LUMO(B) (3%), H-5(B)→LUMO(B) (4%), H-2(B)→LUMO(B) (5%), HOMO(B)→L+1(B) (3%), HOMO(B)→L+2(B) (5%)

**Table S11.** Percentage contribution of complex **2** in different orbitals

Alpha molecular orbital percentage contribution										
Orbitals	Py2	Py3	Py1	H2O	Ph2	Imi2	Fe	Imi1	Ph1	Main bond type
LUMO+2	49	41	2	0	0	3	2	3	0	3d (Fe) + π* L
LUMO+1	28	20	9	0	0	12	15	16	0	3d (Fe) + π* L
LUMO	14	23	10	1	0	14	26	12	0	3d (Fe) + π* L
HOMO	3	1	4	0	1	2	82	6	1	3d (Fe) + π L
HOMO-1	1	6	4	1	0	3	84	1	0	3d (Fe) + π L
HOMO-2	8	5	4	1	0	7	71	4	0	3d (Fe) + π L
Beta molecular orbital percentage contribution										
LUMO+2	1	6	4	1	0	3	84	1	0	3d (Fe) + π* L
LUMO+1	9	5	4	1	0	7	71	4	0	3d (Fe) + π* L
LUMO	3	2	2	1	0	3	88	1	0	3d (Fe) + π* L
HOMO	4	4	2	0	0	3	84	4	0	3d (Fe) + π L
HOMO-1	7	7	38	0	1	24	0	22	1	π L
HOMO-2	11	10	13	0	2	29	2	31	2	3d (Fe) + π L



**Fig.S18** Frontier molecular orbitals of complex **2** showing significant contribution of iron and ligand ( $N_5Py$ ) in molecular orbitals.

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