# **Electronic Supplementary Information for**

## Effects of co-coordinated auxiliary ligands on photoelectrochemical

## behaviours of titanium-alkoxide-dyes

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|  | 1  | 2  | 3                              |
|--|--|--|--------------------------------|
| formula                                | C <sub>36</sub> H <sub>45</sub> NO <sub>13</sub> Ti <sub>2</sub> | C <sub>36</sub> H <sub>45</sub> FO <sub>11</sub> Ti <sub>2</sub> | $C_{36}H_{45}BrO_{11}Ti_2$     |
| fw                                     | 795.51   | 768.51   | 829.41                         |
| cryst size (mm <sup>3</sup> )          | $0.35 \times 0.20 \times 0.10$                                   | $0.50 \times 0.40 \times 0.30$                                   | $0.26 \times 0.24 \times 0.20$ |
| cryst syst                             | monoclinic   | monoclinic   | monoclinic                     |
| space group                            | $P2_{1}/c$   | $P2_{1}/c$   | $P2_{1}/c$                     |
| <i>a</i> (Å)                           | 9.6859(3)  | 9.6424(13)   | 12.9644 (12)                   |
| <i>b</i> (Å)                           | 21.7550(6)   | 21.475(3)  | 13.1630(12)                    |
| <i>c</i> (Å)                           | 19.0222(5)   | 18.640(2)  | 23.030(2)                      |
| $\alpha$ (deg)                         | 90.00  | 90.00  | 90.00                          |
| $\beta$ (deg)                          | 93.686(3)  | 96.6066(4)   | 104.724(3)                     |
| γ (deg)                                | 90.00  | 90.00  | 90.00                          |
| $V(Å^3)$                               | 4000.0(2)  | 3834.2(9)  | 3801.0(6)                      |
| Ζ                                      | 4  | 4  | 4                              |
| $\rho_{\rm calcd} ({\rm g \ cm^{-3}})$ | 1.321  | 1.331  | 1.449                          |
| <i>F</i> (000)                         | 1664   | 1608   | 1712                           |
| $\mu$ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )              | 0.460  | 0.477  | 1.528                          |
| $T(\mathbf{K})$                        | 293(2)   | 293(2)   | 120(2)                         |
| reflns collected                       | 31104  | 20324  | 60996                          |
| unique reflns                          | 10589  | 6748   | 8698                           |
| observed reflns                        | 6508   | 3688   | 5888                           |
| no. params                             | 479  | 468  | 461                            |
| GOF on $F^2$                           | 1.065  | 1.084  | 1.165                          |
| $R_1[I>2\sigma(I)]$                    | 0.0665   | 0.0902   | 0.0543                         |
| $_{W}R_{2}$                            | 0.1442   | 0.1731   | 0.1345                         |

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|                 | 1          | 2                       | 3         |
|-----------------|------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| Gap Energy (eV) | 2.127      | 2.120                   | 2.112     |
| Absorption (nm) | 583        | 585                     | 587       |
| f               | 0.0996     | 0.1045                  | 0.1024    |
| Transition      | 198A →199A | 204A →205A              | 191A→192A |
|                 | 198B →199B | $204B \rightarrow 205B$ | 191B→192B |
| Coefficient     | 0.69933    | 0.69924                 | 0.69942   |