

Electronic Supplementary Information (ESI) for

Hexavacant γ -Dawson-type phosphotungstates supporting an edge-sharing bis(square-pyramidal) $\{\text{O}_2\text{M}(\mu_3\text{-O})_2(\mu\text{-OAc})\text{MO}_2\}$ core (M = Mn^{2+} , Co^{2+} , Ni^{2+} , Cu^{2+} , or Zn^{2+})[†]

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Table S1. BVS values of metal atoms and metal atoms for **Mn2**, **Co2**, **Ni2**, **Cu2**, and **Zn2**

	Mn2	Co2	Ni2	Cu2	Zn2
M1	2.08	1.96	1.95	2.09	2.05
P1	4.81	4.91	4.78	4.82	4.83
W1	5.98	6.73	6.12	5.93	6.21
W2	6.44	7.08	5.69	6.35	6.26
W3	6.18	5.71	7.66	6.63	6.61
W4	6.23	5.84	6.34	6.42	6.25
W5	5.97	6.63	5.75	6.31	6.44
W6	6.45	6.01	6.87	6.20	6.62
O1	1.85	2.06	1.95	2.02	1.89
O2	1.98	1.81	1.94	1.97	2.03
O3	1.97	1.95	1.94	2.00	1.95
O4	1.67	2.09	1.86	1.72	1.75
O5	1.84	1.87	1.65	1.48	1.88
O6	1.61	1.50	1.79	2.10	1.60
O7	1.81	1.48	1.56	1.70	1.69
O8	2.10	2.18	2.20	2.13	2.17
O9	2.00	2.00	2.01	2.00	2.03
O10	1.99	2.04	2.08	2.05	2.01
O11	2.04	2.13	2.05	2.12	2.09
O12	1.89	1.90	1.91	1.91	1.91
O13	1.86	1.82	1.77	1.92	1.79
O14	1.74	1.90	1.86	1.80	1.88
O15	1.94	1.97	1.96	2.02	2.00
O16	2.16	2.19	1.98	2.23	2.09
O17	2.02	2.04	2.52	2.10	2.08
O18	1.99	2.07	2.01	1.97	1.93
O19	2.19	2.23	2.22	2.19	2.23
O20	2.10	2.10	2.12	2.08	2.11
O21	1.60	1.97	1.46	1.80	1.70
O22	2.00	1.73	2.31	1.80	2.09

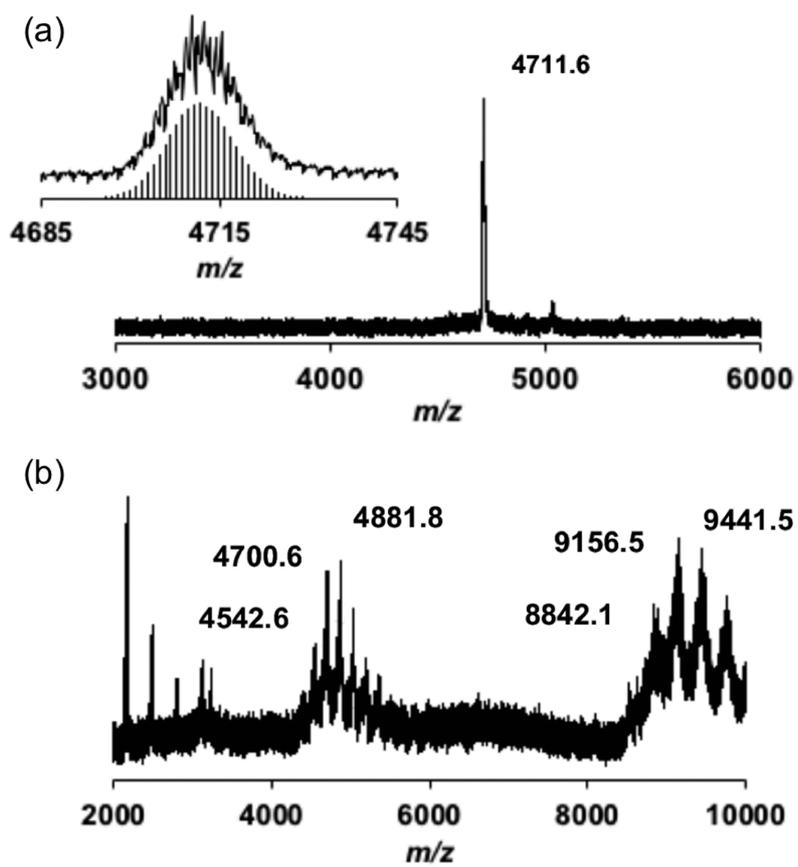


Fig. S1 Positive-ion CSI-mass spectra of (a) the reaction solution of **I**, $\text{Mn}(\text{OAc})_2$, and TBAOH in acetonitrile, and (b) the reaction solution of **I** and $\text{Mn}(\text{OAc})_2$ in dichloromethane.

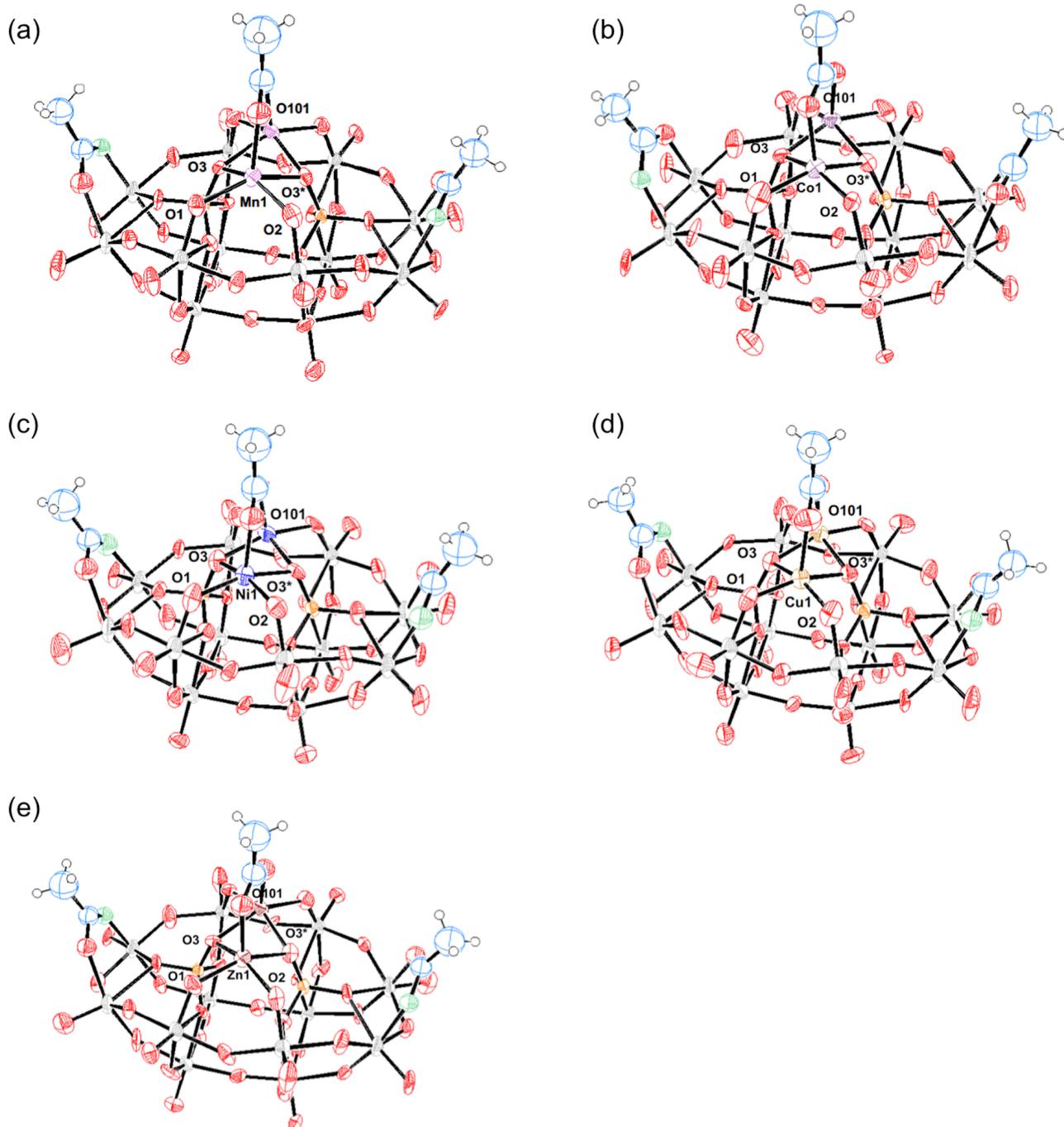


Fig. S2 ORTEP representations of the anion part of (a) **Mn₂**, (b) **Co₂**, (c) **Ni₂**, (d) **Cu₂**, and (e) **Zn₂** with thermal ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level.

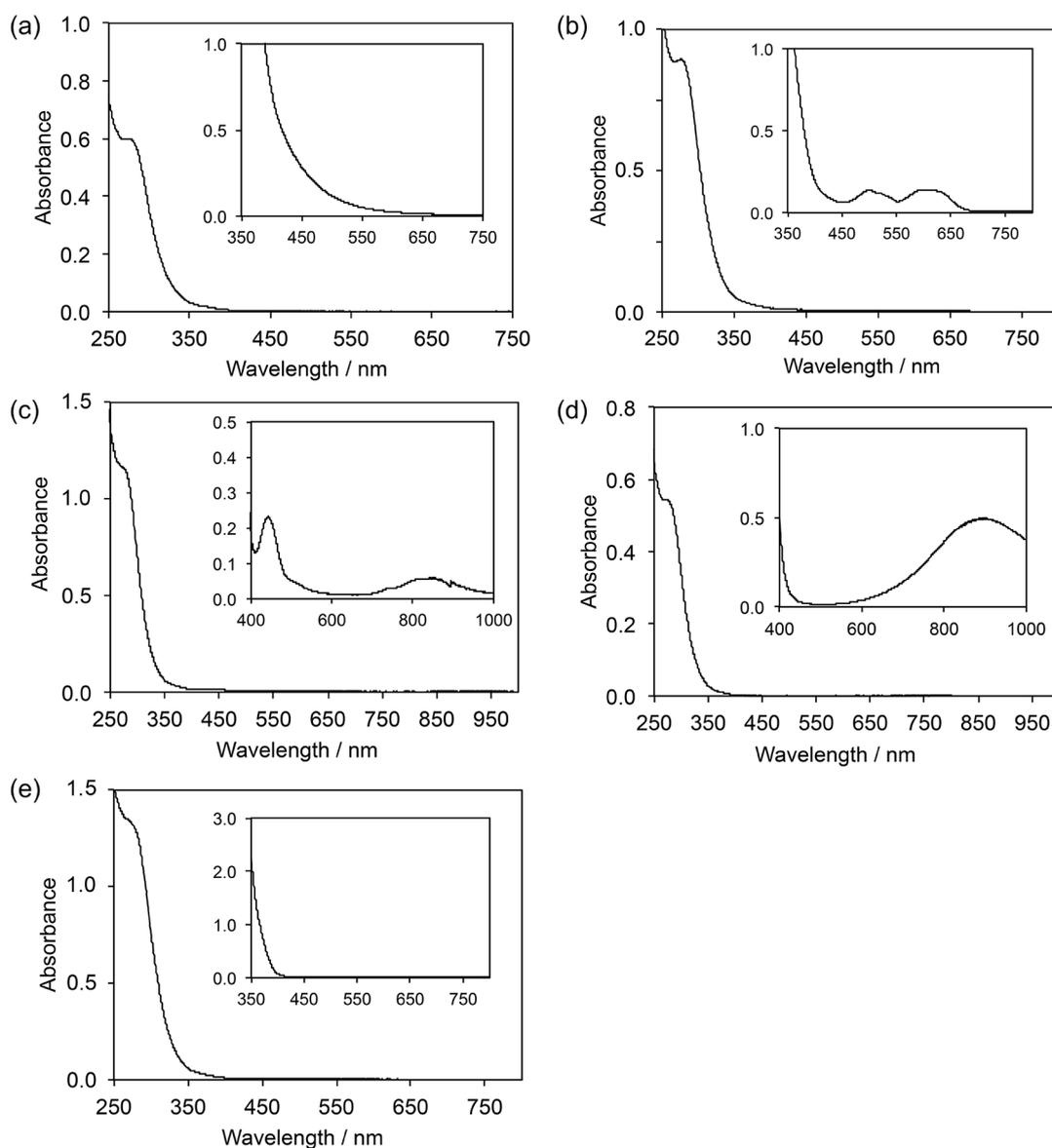


Fig. S3 UV-vis spectra of (a) **Mn²⁺** (2.0×10^{-5} M, Inset: 8.2×10^{-4} M), (b) **Co²⁺** (2.5×10^{-5} M, Inset: 1.0×10^{-3} M), (c) **Ni²⁺** (3.6×10^{-5} M, Inset: 1.8×10^{-3} M), (d) **Cu²⁺** (1.9×10^{-5} M, Inset: 5.4×10^{-3} M), and (e) **Zn²⁺** (4.0×10^{-5} M, Inset: 2.0×10^{-3} M) in acetonitrile.

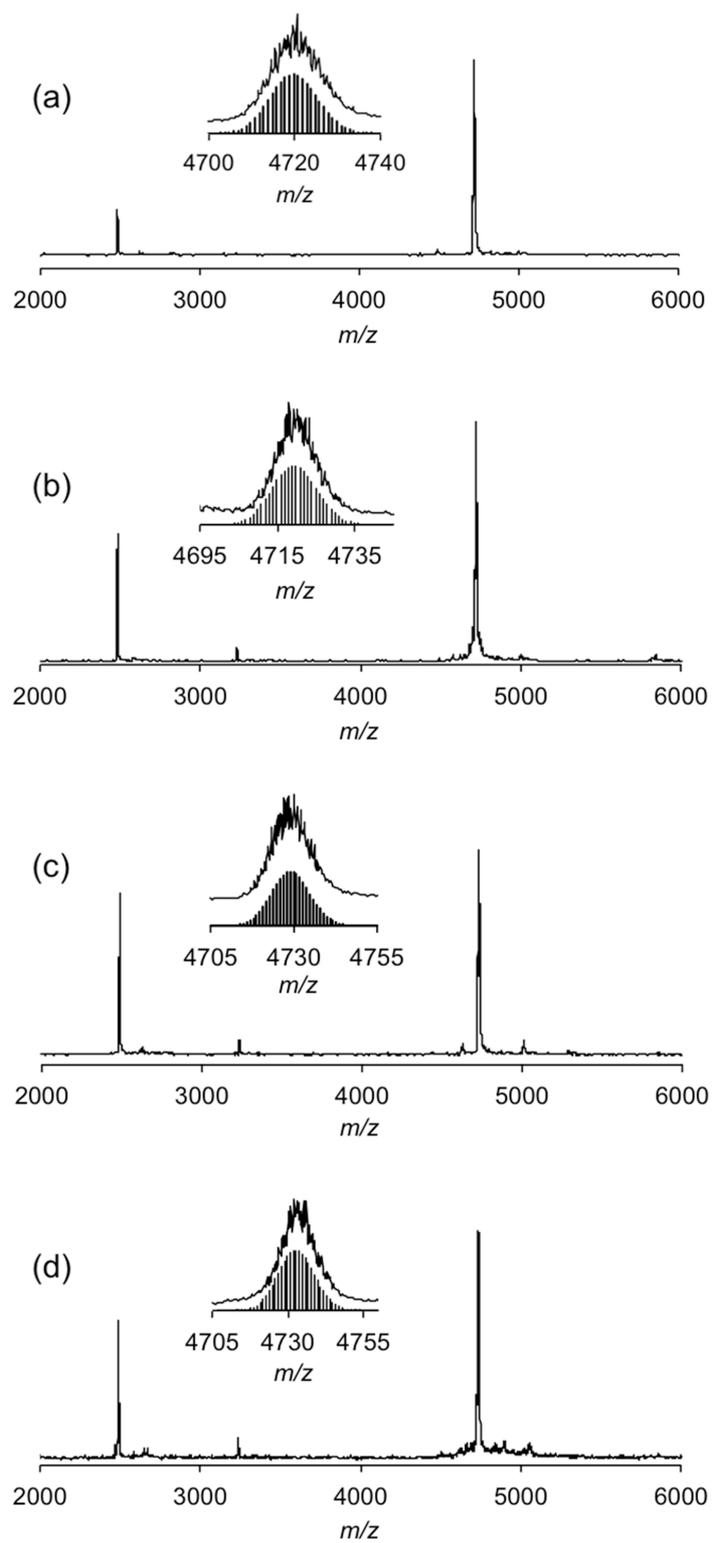


Fig. S4 Positive-ion CSI-mass spectra of (a) Co_2 , (b) Ni_2 , (c) Cu_2 , and (d) Zn_2 in acetonitrile.

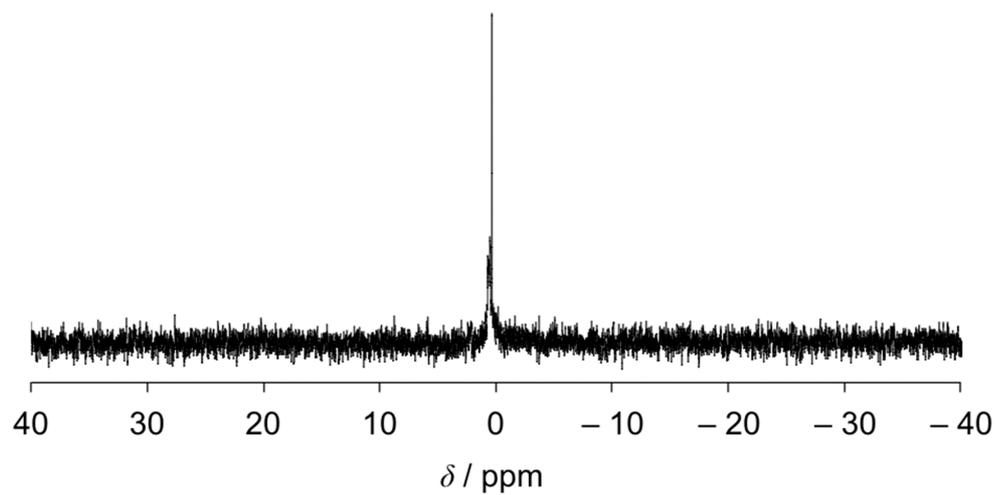


Fig. S5 ^{31}P NMR spectrum of **Zn2** in dichloromethane- d_2 .

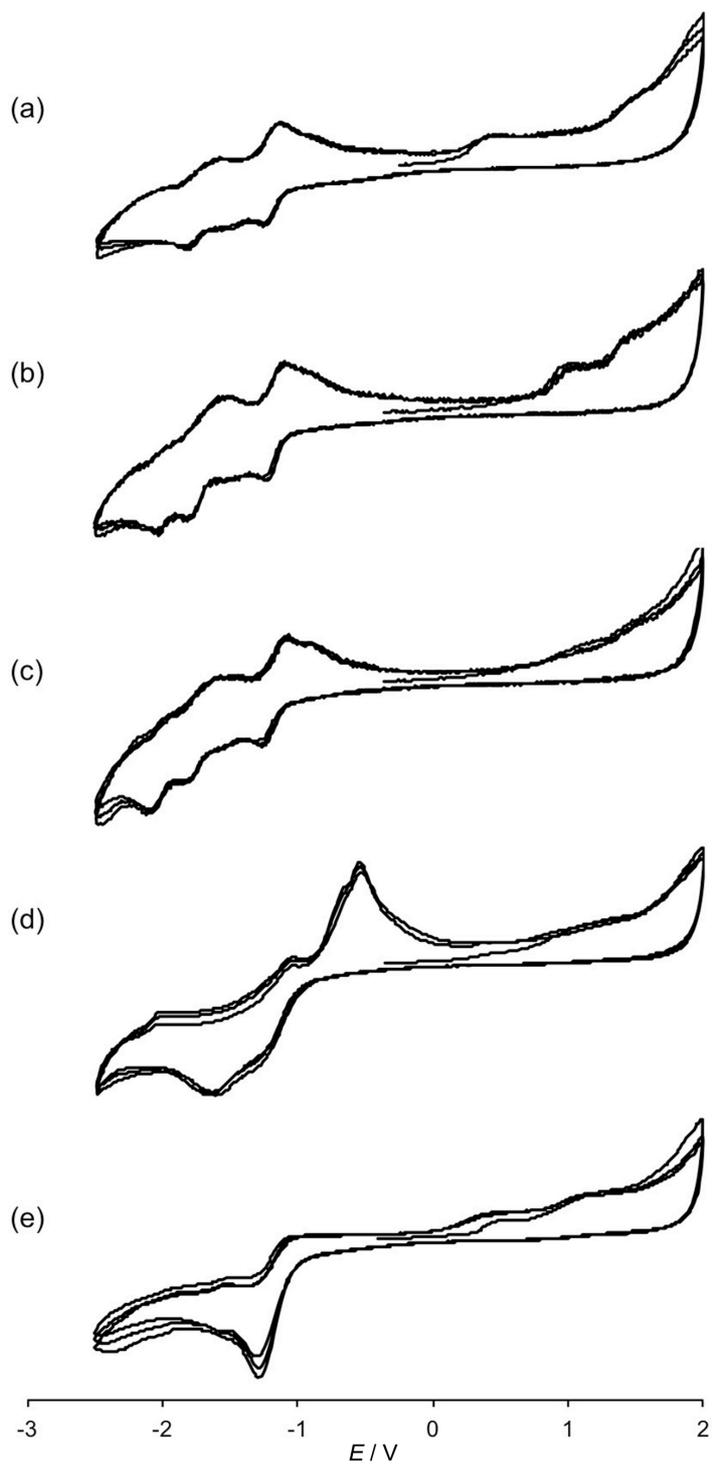


Fig. S6 Cyclic voltammogram of (a) Mn²⁺, (b) Co²⁺, (c) Ni²⁺, (d) Cu²⁺, and (e) Zn²⁺.

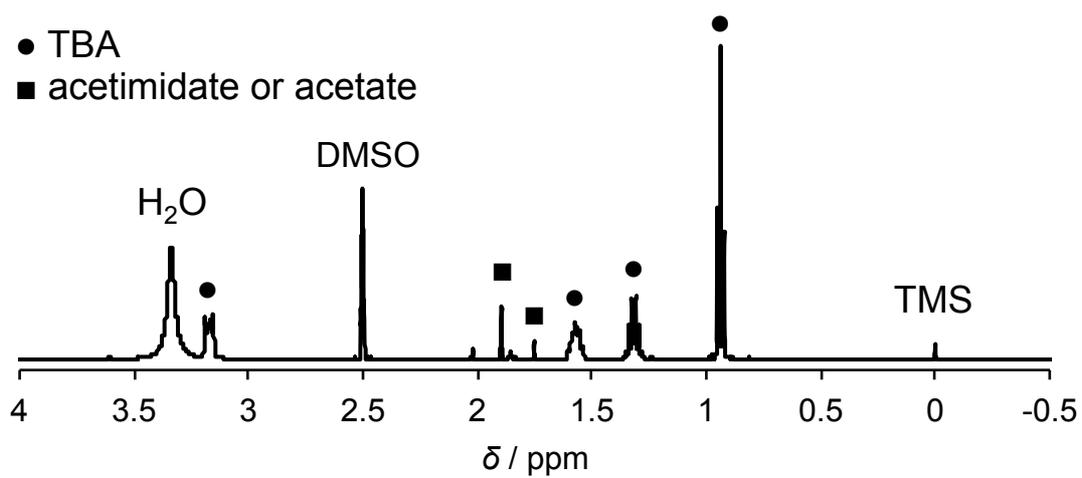


Fig. S7 ¹H NMR spectrum of **Zn2** in dimethyl sulfoxide-*d*₆.

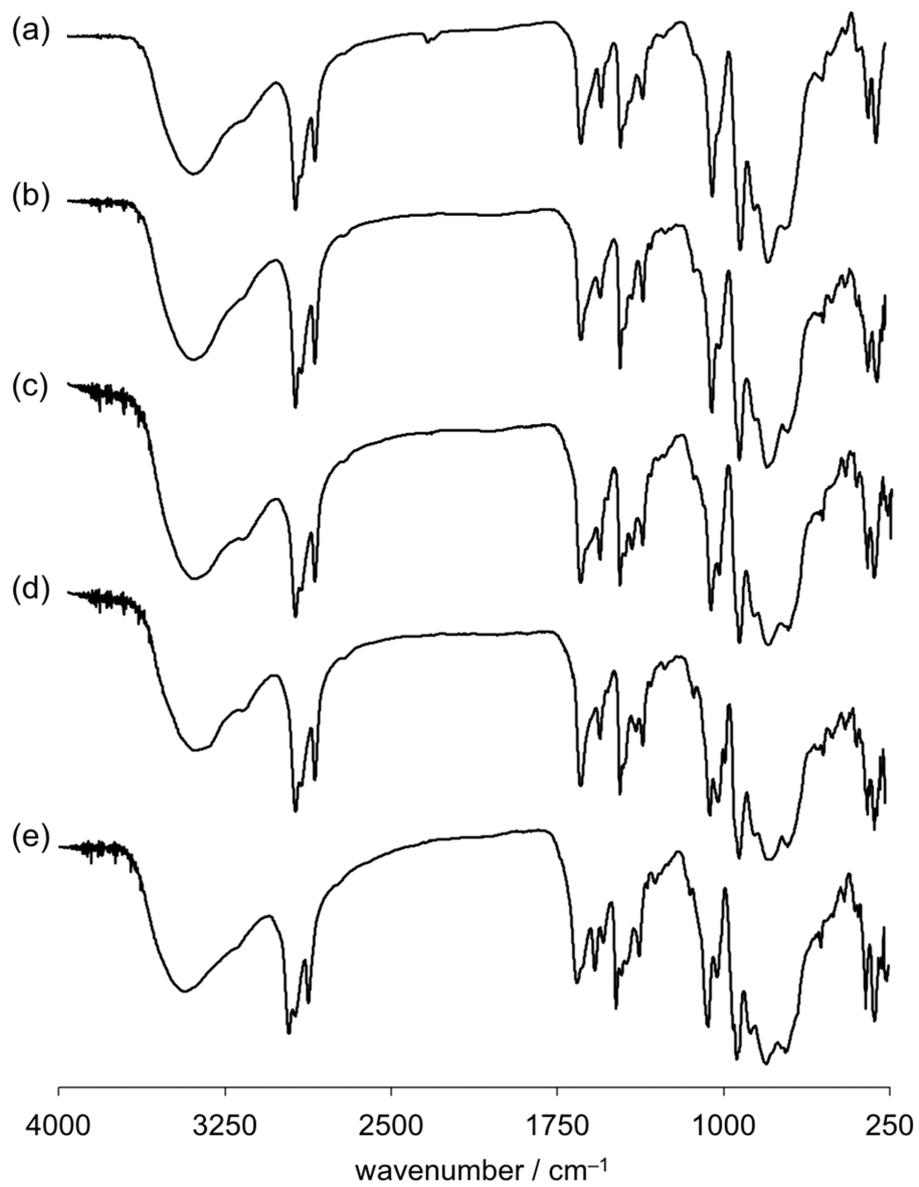


Fig. S8 IR spectra of (a) **Mn₂**, (b) **Co₂**, (c) **Ni₂**, (d) **Cu₂**, and (e) **Zn₂**.