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## Inducing selectivity and chirality in group IV metal coordination with high-denticity hydroxypyridinones

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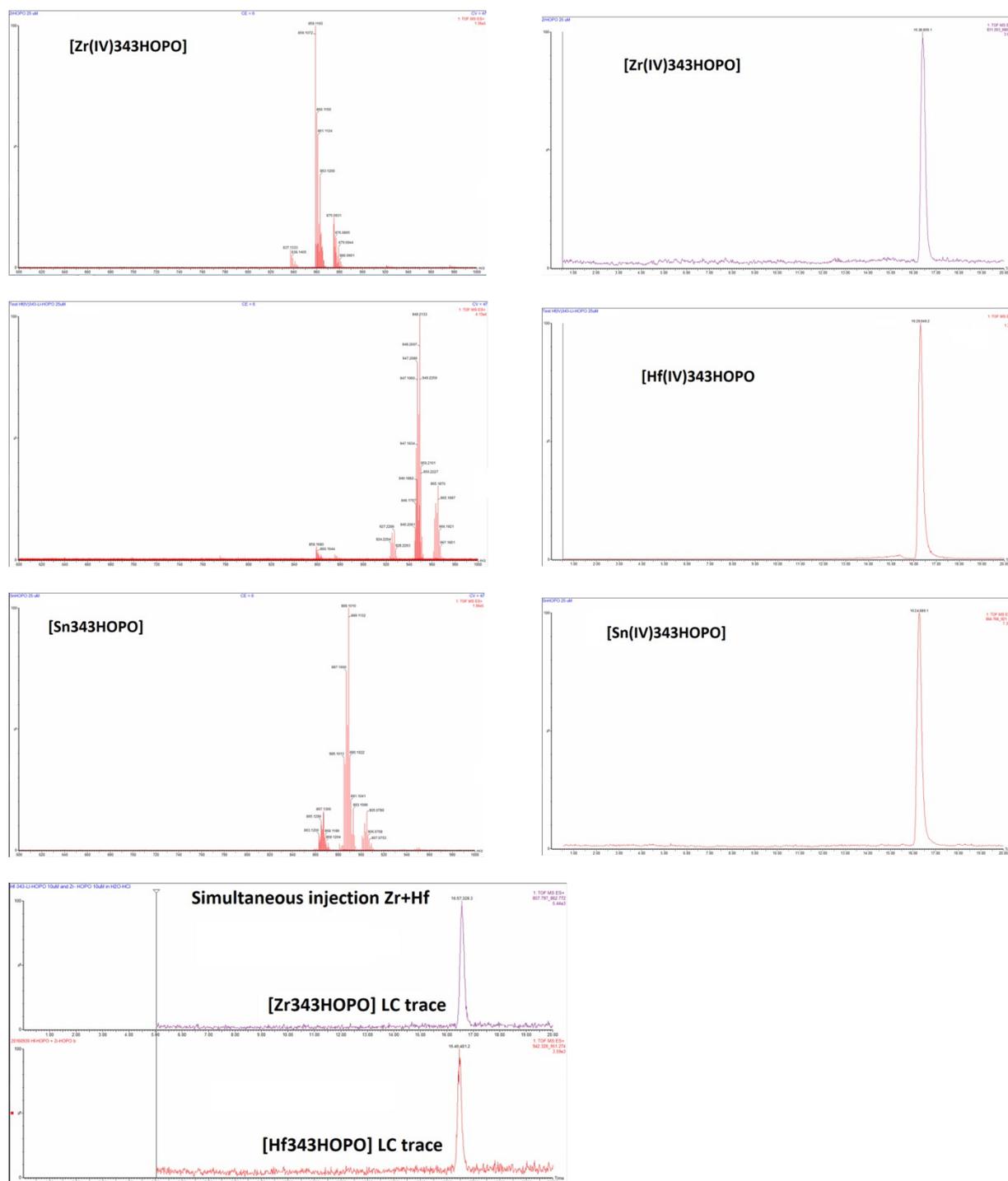
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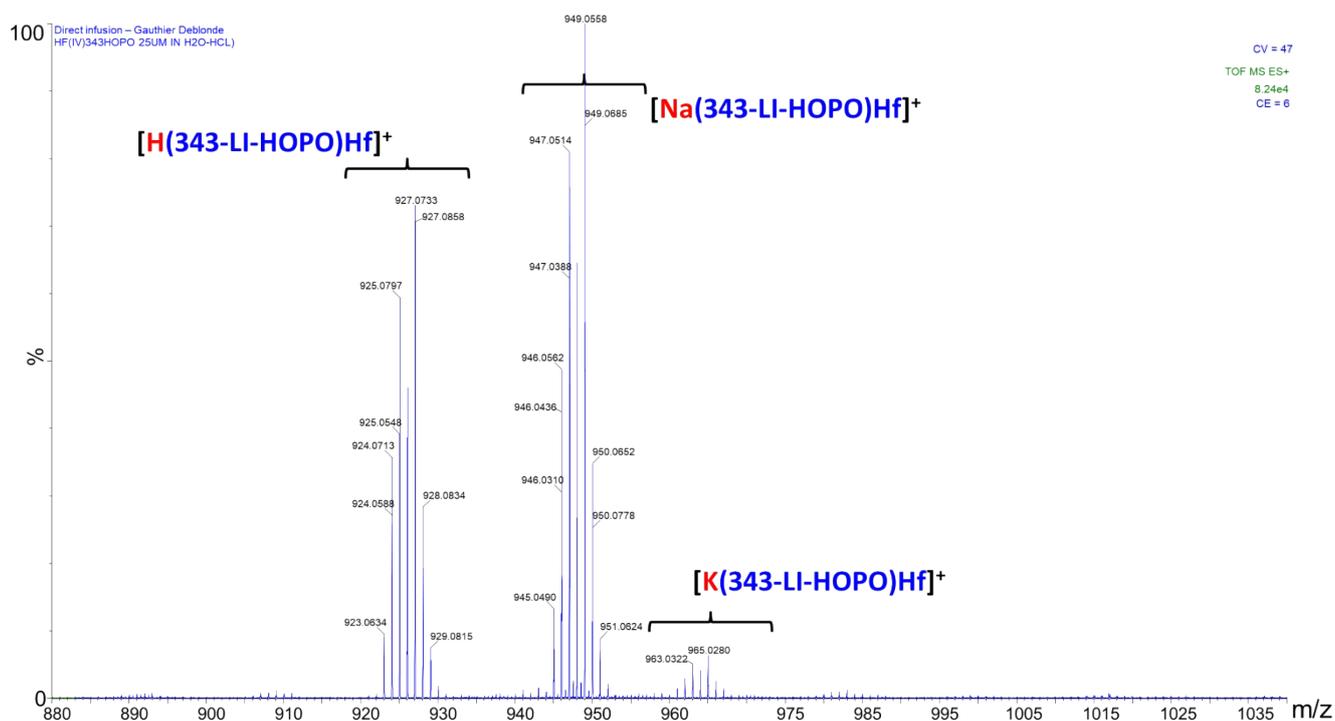
# Supporting information

**Table S 1.** List of stability constants used for data treatment of the metal-competition batch titrations.

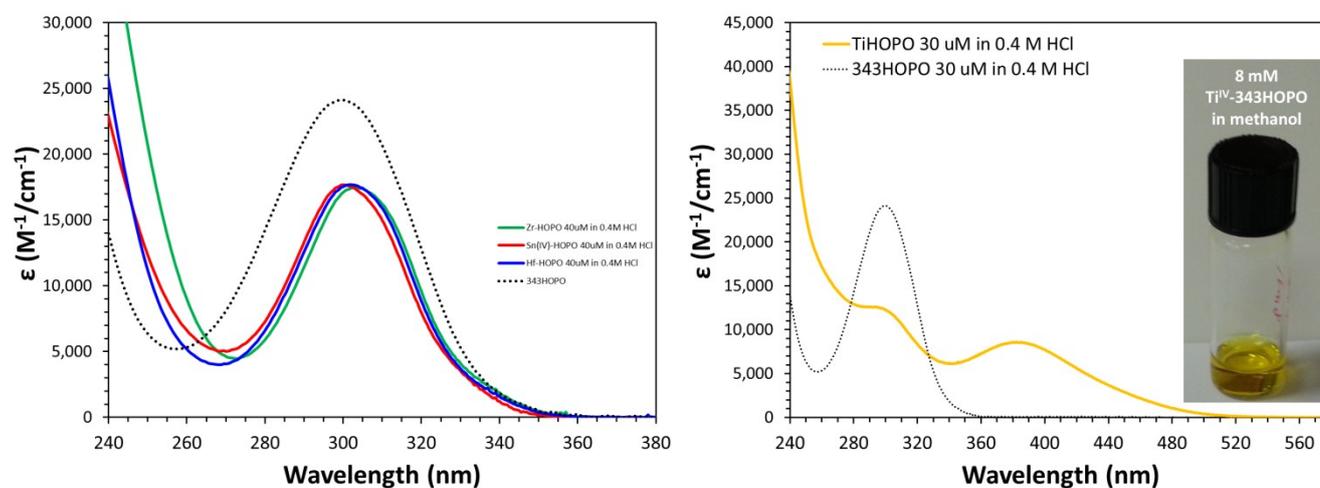
Species	Formation constant (log $\beta_{MLH}$ )	Reference
H <sub>-1</sub>	-13.77	NIST critical database
[ZrH <sub>-1</sub> ] <sup>3+</sup>	1.03	NIST critical database
[ZrH <sub>-5</sub> ] <sup>-</sup>	-14.85	NIST critical database
[ZrCl] <sup>3+</sup>	0.20	NIST critical database
[HfH <sub>-1</sub> ] <sup>3+</sup>	0.83	NIST critical database
[HfH <sub>-5</sub> ] <sup>-</sup>	-16.05	NIST critical database
[HfCl] <sup>3+</sup>	0.34	NIST critical database
[H343HOPO] <sup>3-</sup>	6.64	Abergel et al. 2009 (Inorganic Chemistry)
[H <sub>2</sub> 343HOPO] <sup>2-</sup>	12.32	Abergel et al. 2009 (Inorganic Chemistry)
[H <sub>3</sub> 343HOPO] <sup>-</sup>	17.33	Abergel et al. 2009 (Inorganic Chemistry)
[H <sub>4</sub> 343HOPO]	21.2	Abergel et al. 2009 (Inorganic Chemistry)
[Zr343HOPO]	43.1	Sturzbecher-Hoehne et al. 2015 (Inorganic Chemistry)



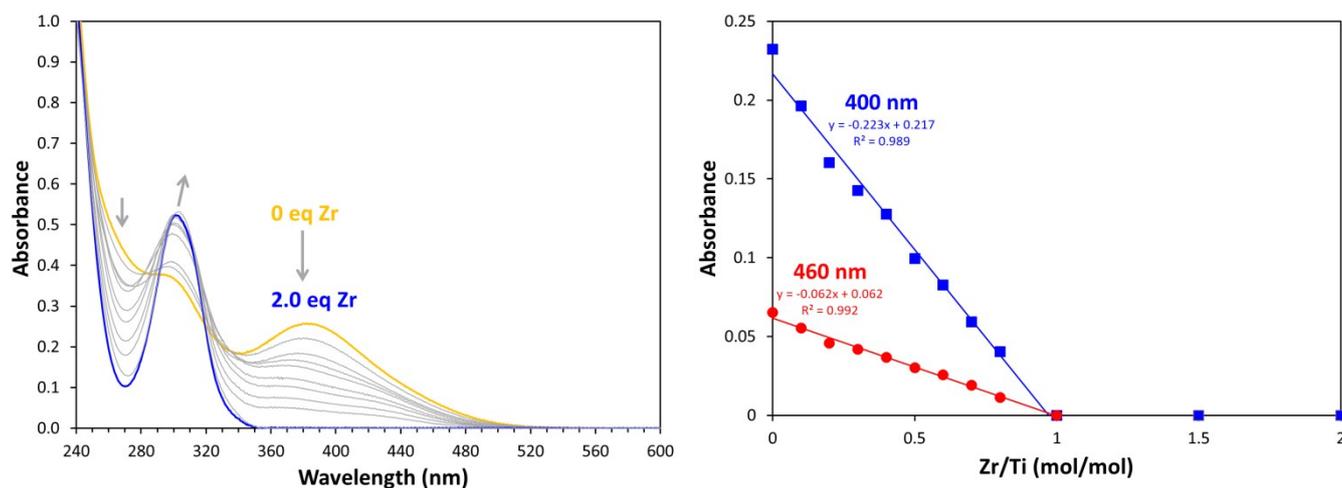
**Figure S1.** ESI-MS spectra (left) and chromatogram (right) of [Zr<sup>IV</sup>343HOPO] (top), [Hf<sup>IV</sup>343HOPO] (middle), and [Sn<sup>IV</sup>343HOPO] (bottom) samples. Positive mode. [343HOPO] = [M] = 25  $\mu$ M. Chromatogram of a sample containing simultaneously 10  $\mu$ M of [Zr343HOPO] and 10  $\mu$ M of [Hf343HOPO] is also included. These results confirm that the Hf complex exhibits higher polarity compared to its Zr analogue.



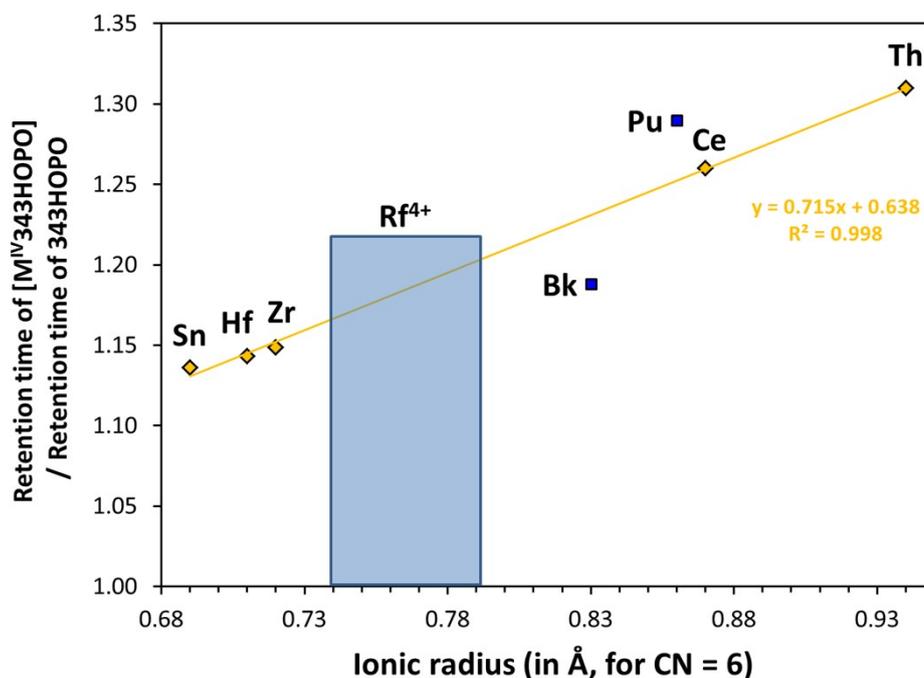
**Figure S2.** High resolution mass spectrum of an aqueous solution containing 1 equivalent of  $\text{HfCl}_4$  and 1 equivalent of 343HOPO.  $[\text{Hf}] = [\text{343HOPO}] = 25 \mu\text{M}$ . The isotopic distribution matches that expected for Hf complexes. Media: 0.5% formic acid in water. Electrospray ionization, positive mode.



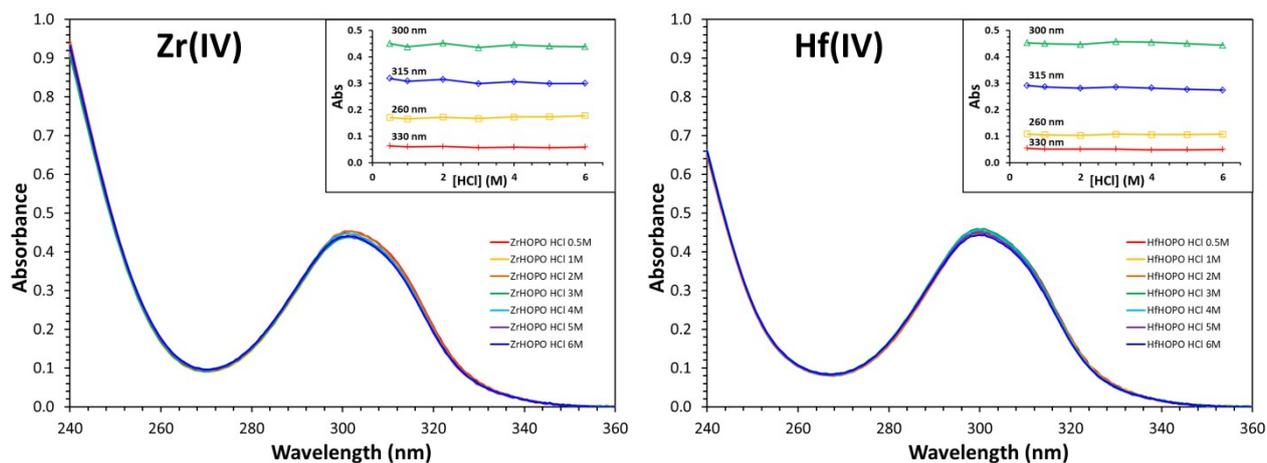
**Figure S3. Left:** Comparison of the extinction coefficient ( $\epsilon$ ) of 343HOPO complexes with tetravalent tin (red), zirconium (green), and hafnium (blue). Extinction coefficient of the free ligand is also given for comparison (dotted line). Matrix: 0.4 M HCl. **Right:** Extinction coefficient of the Ti(IV) complex of 343HOPO. Matrix: 0.4 M HCl. Inset: Picture of a sample containing 8 mM of  $\text{Ti}^{\text{IV}}$ -343HOPO in methanol. The initial 343HOPO and  $\text{TiCl}_4$  stock solutions are uncolored whereas the metal-ligand species are golden.



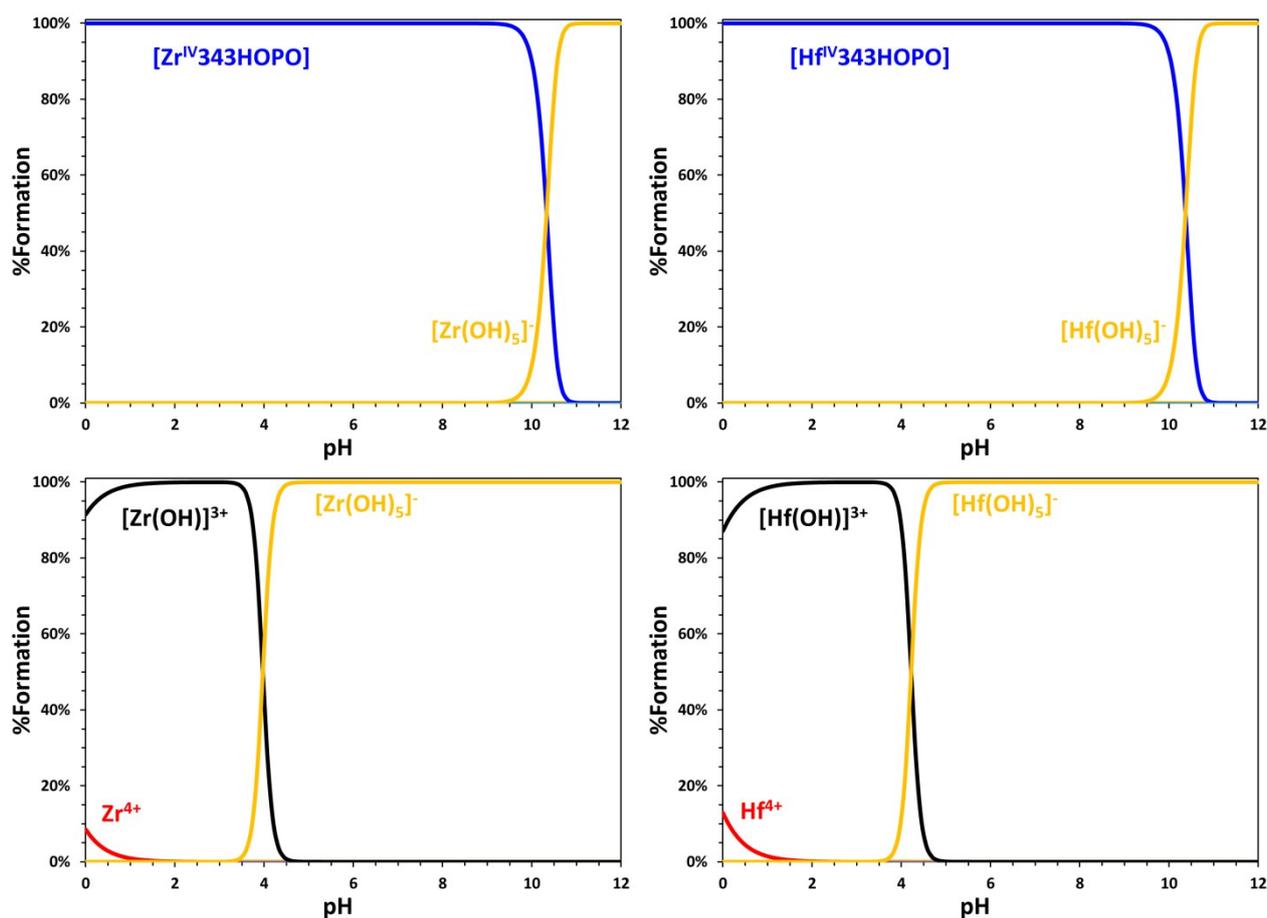
**Figure S4.** Left: Spectrophotometric batch titration of Ti-HOPO against Zr(IV). The results show that the Ti(IV) complex is much weaker than its Zr(IV) counterpart and that the metal exchange reaction is total. Right: Evolution of the absorbance at 400 nm (blue) and 460 nm (red) as a function of the ratio  $[Zr]_{total}/[Ti]_{total}$ .  $[343HOPO] = [Ti] = 30 \mu M$ . Media: 0.4 M HCl. T = 25°C. Path length = 1 cm.



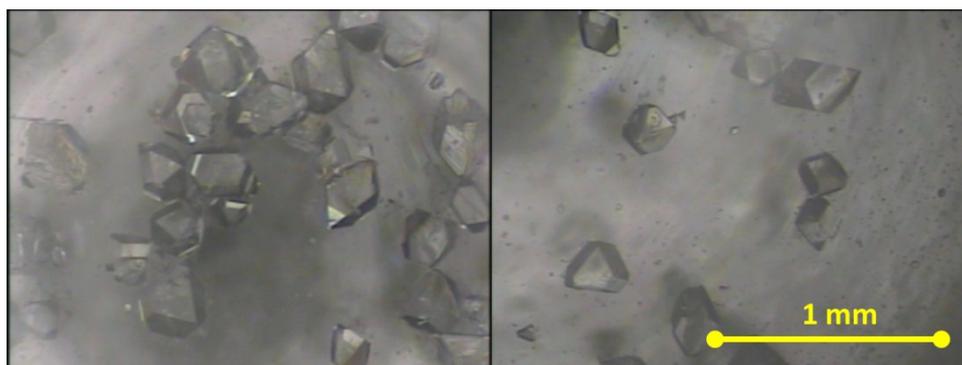
**Figure S5.** Experimental retention times of the M(IV) complexes of 343HOPO relative to the retention time of the free ligand as a function of the ionic radius of the cations (Coordination number of 6). C18 column. The blue rectangle indicates the predicted zone for the corresponding Rf(IV) complex.



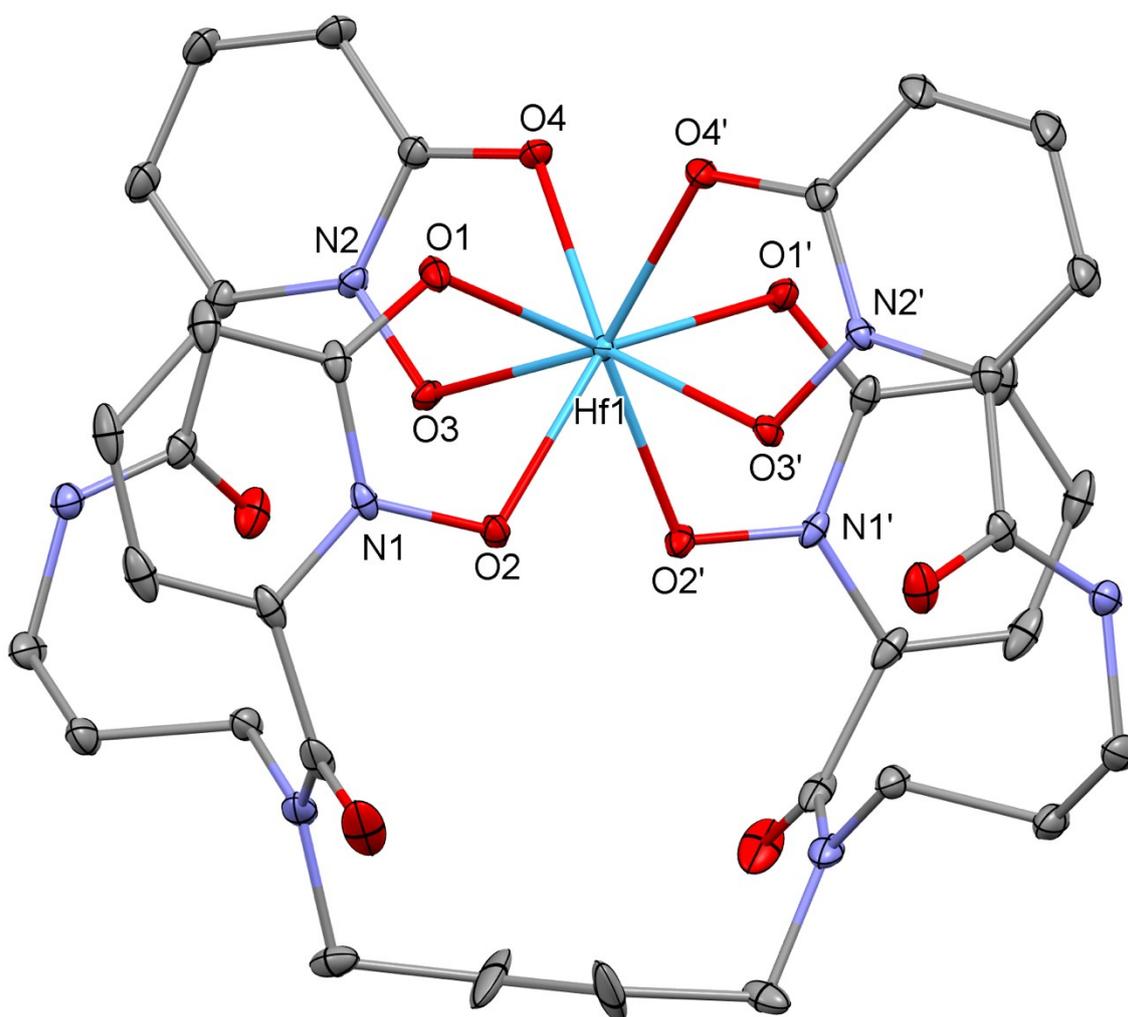
**Figure S6.** Spectra of Zr-343HOPO and Hf-343HOPO in concentrated HCl solution (0.5 to 6.0 M). UV-vis spectra of concentrated HCl solutions (0.5 to 6 M) containing the  $Zr^{IV}$ -343HOPO and  $Hf^{IV}$ -343HOPO complexes.  $[Metal] = [343HOPO]$ . The results show formation of stable complexes throughout the acidity range tested. Insets: Absorbance at 260 (squares), 300 (triangles), 315 (diamonds) and 330 (crosses), and 400 nm (stars) as a function of the HCl concentration. See Fig. 4 for additional details. Path length = 1 cm.



**Figure S7.** Speciation diagram for Zr(IV) (left) and Hf(IV) (right) in the absence (bottom) or presence (top) of 1 equivalent ( $[M] = [343HOPO] = 1 \mu M$ ) of 343HOPO. For homogeneity, both sets of hydroxide species stability constants were taken from the NIST critical database.



**Figure S8.** Pictures of crystals of Hf(IV)3,4,3-LI(1,2-HOPO) taken with an optical microscope.



**Figure S9.** Ellipsoid plot of the Hf(IV)3,4,3-LI(1,2-HOPO) structure.