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Slow magnetic relaxation and water oxidation activity of dinuclear Co^{II}Co^{III} and unique triangular Co^{II}Co^{II}Co^{III} mixed-valence complexes

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Shape analysis :Continuous Shape Measurement (CShM)^a of Co^{II} and Co^{III} coordination sphere using SHAPE v2.1.

Table S1 Results of Continuous Shape Measurement Analysis for the Co(II) & Co(III) coordination Spheres^a of complex **1**.

 S H A P E v2.1 Continuous Shape Measures calculation
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CoL6 structures

HP-6 1 D6h Hexagon
 PPY-6 2 C5v Pentagonal pyramid
 OC-6 3 Oh Octahedron
 TPR-6 4 D3h Trigonal prism
 JPPY-6 5 C5v Johnson pentagonal pyramid J2

Structure [ML6] **HP-6** **PPY-6** **OC-6** **TPR-6** **JPPY-6**

Co1(III) center , 31.236, 28.474, 0.205, 15.492, 32.094

 Co2(II) center, 25.782, 14.801, 4.130, 8.281, 18.272

Table S2 Results of Continuous Shape Measurement Analysis for the Co(II) and Co(III) coordination Spheres^a of complex **2**.

Analysis of Co1(III) center:

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CoL6 structures

HP-6 1 D6h Hexagon
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JPPY-6 5 C5v Johnson pentagonal pyramid J2

Structure [ML6]**HP-6** **PPY-6** **OC-6** **TPR-6** **JPPY-6**
Co1(III) center, 31.912, 28.856, 0.233, 15.662, 32.514

Analysis of Co2(II) center:

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CoL6 structures

HP-6 1 D6h Hexagon
PPY-6 2 C5v Pentagonal pyramid
OC-6 3 Oh Octahedron
TPR-6 4 D3h Trigonal prism
JPPY-6 5 C5v Johnson pentagonal pyramid J2

Structure [ML6]**HP-6** **PPY-6** **OC-6** **TPR-6** **JPPY-6**
Co2(II) center , 34.485, 23.582, 2.114, 12.639, 28.317

CoL5 structures

PP-5 1 D5h Pentagon
vOC-5 2 C4v Vacant octahedron
TBPY-5 3 D3h Trigonalbipyramid
SPY-5 4 C4v Spherical square pyramid
JTBPY-5 5 D3h Johnson trigonalbipyramid J12

Structure [ML5]**PP-5** **vOC-5** **TBPY-5** **SPY-5** **JTBPY-5**
Co2(II) center , 25.914, 1.102, 7.407, 2.015, 8.917

Analysis of Co3(II) center:

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CoL5 structures

PP-5 1 D5h Pentagon
vOC-5 2 C4v Vacant octahedron
TBPY-5 3 D3h Trigonalbipyramid
SPY-5 4 C4v Spherical square pyramid
JTBPY-5 5 D3h Johnson trigonalbipyramid J12

Structure [ML5]PP-5 vOC-5 TBPY-5 SPY-5 JTBPY-5
 Co3(II) Center , 32.034, 5.771, 1.418, 4.063, 4.091

Table S3 BVS Calculation data for cobalt centers in complex **1** and **2**.^a

	Complex 1		Complex 2		
	$R_0(\text{Co}^{\text{III}})$	$R_0(\text{Co}^{\text{II}})$		$R_0(\text{Co}^{\text{III}})$	$R_0(\text{Co}^{\text{II}})$
Co(1)	<u>3.198</u>	3.258	Co(1)	<u>3.263</u>	3.220
Co(2)	1.672	<u>1.904</u>	Co(2)	1.985	<u>2.071</u>
			Co(3)	1.872	<u>1.889</u>

^aThe underlined value is the closest to the charge for which it was calculated.

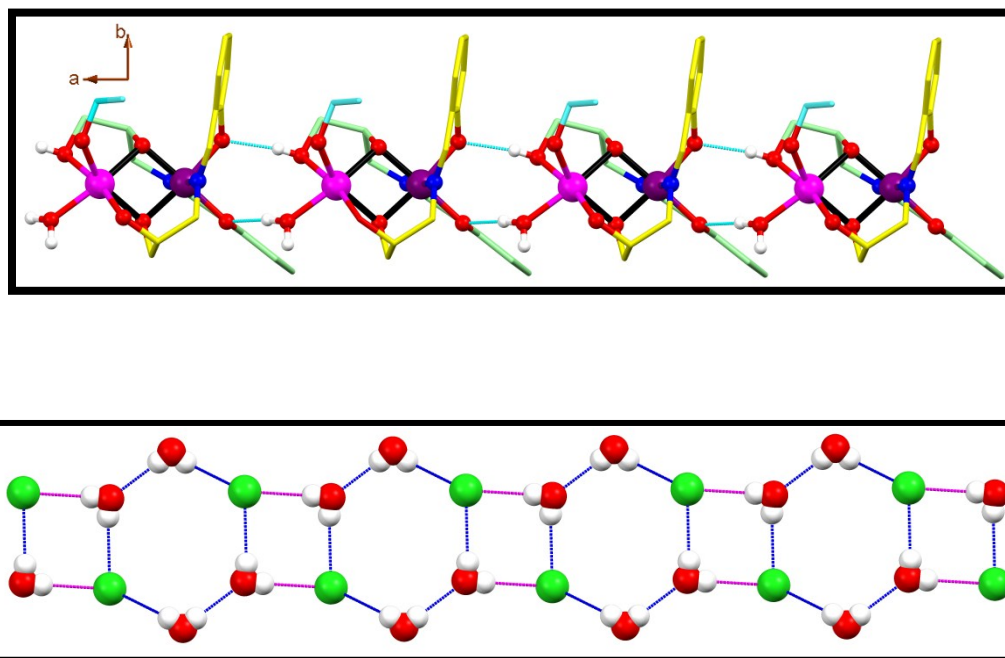


Fig. S1 1D-chain structure formed with intermolecular hydrogen bonds (above). Topology of chloro mediated water ribbon (below).

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Compound	<i>D</i> ^a	<i>D_{SS}</i> ^a	<i>D_{SO}</i> ^a	<i>E/D</i>	<i>S_{eff}</i> = 1/2 ^b		
					<i>g</i> ₁	<i>g</i> ₂	<i>g</i> ₃
1 [Co ^{II} Co ^{III}]	+44.0	+0.6	+43.9	0.185	2.028	3.842	6.245
1 [Co ^{II} Ga ^{III}]	+43.3	+0.6	+43.2	0.188	2.027	3.835	6.240
2 [Co ₂]	+63.1	-0.6	+63.4	0.208	2.183	4.230	6.130
2 [Co ₃]	-23.2	+0.5	-23.0	0.084	7.567	0.647	0.600

^c in cm⁻¹. ^b The directions of the components of the Landé factor (*g_i*) are not assigned directly in the theoretical calculation, but the positive value of *D* and the magnitude of the components allows concluding that *g_x* = *g₂*, *g_y* = *g₃* and *g_z* = *g₁*.

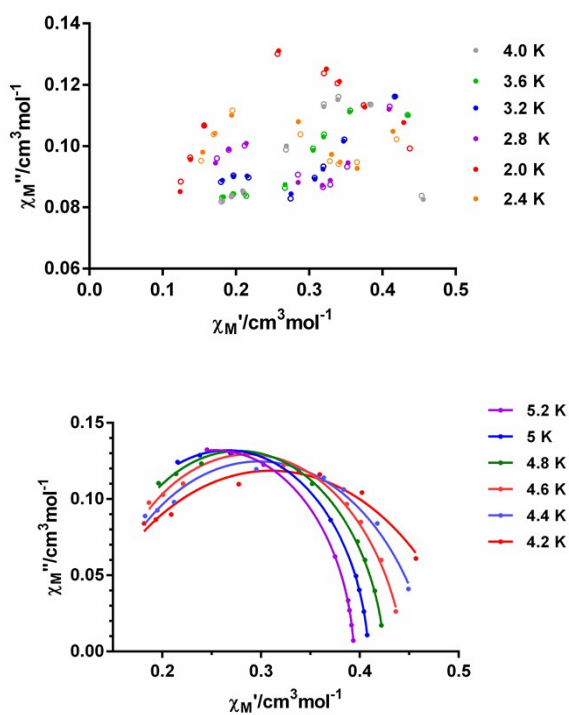


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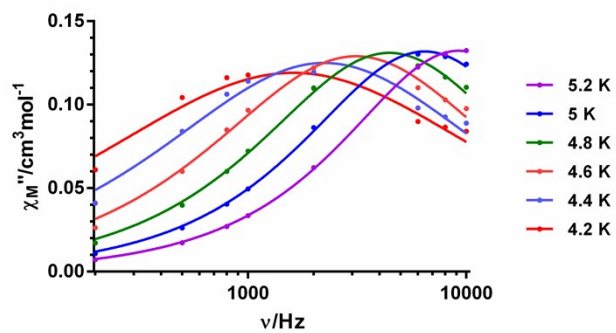


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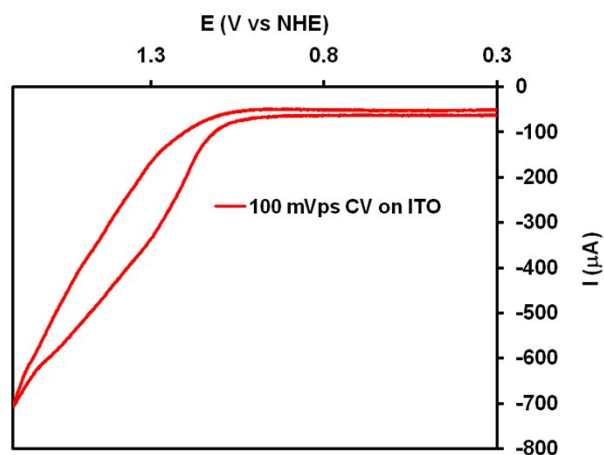


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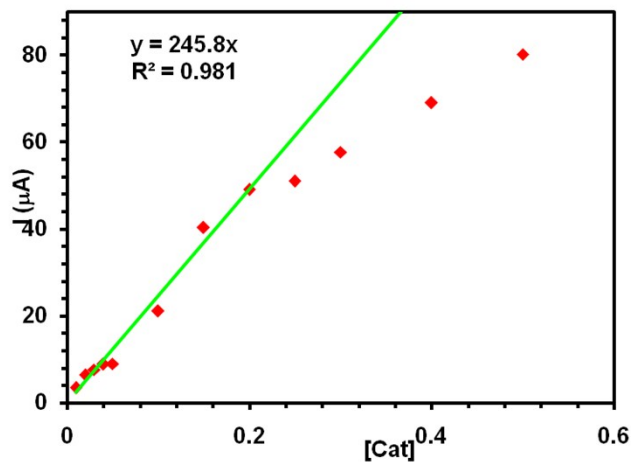


Fig. S5 The plot of catalytic peak current at *pH* 7 with respect to catalyst concentration.

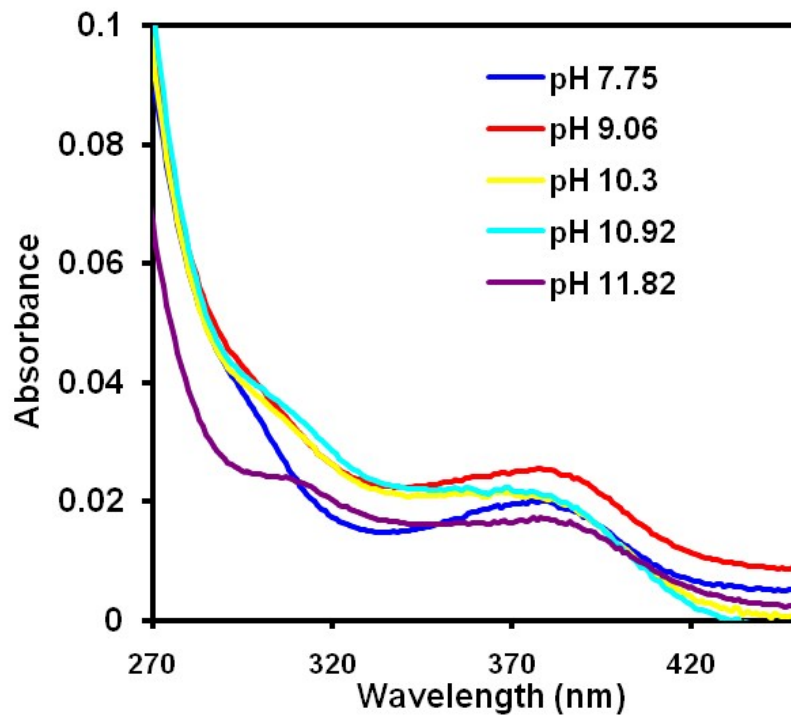


Fig. S6 Absorption spectra of the complex **1** as a function of pH.

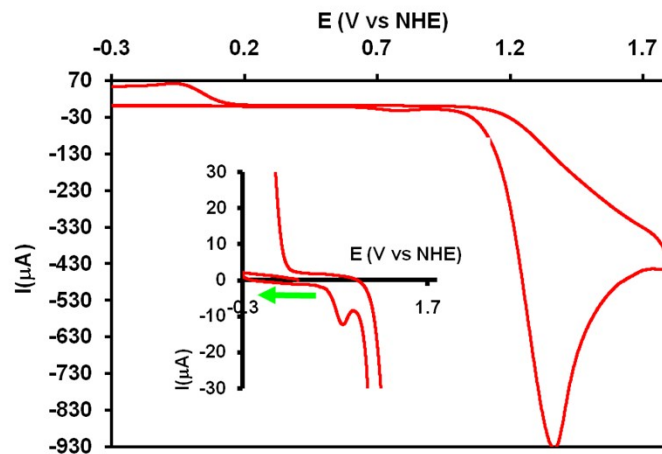


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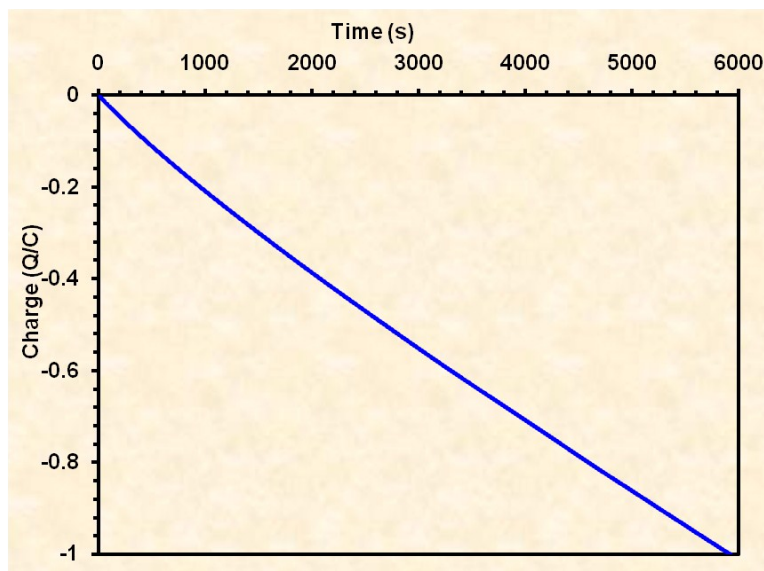


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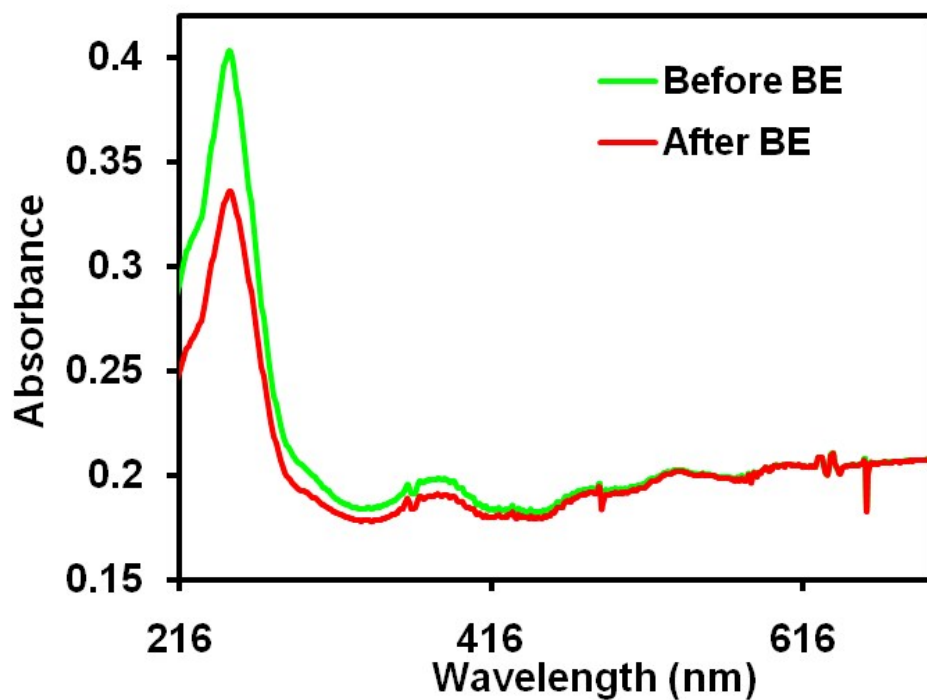


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