

Supplementary Information for

Mechanistic Insight into Oxygen Atom Transfer Reactions by Mononuclear Manganese(IV)-oxo Adducts

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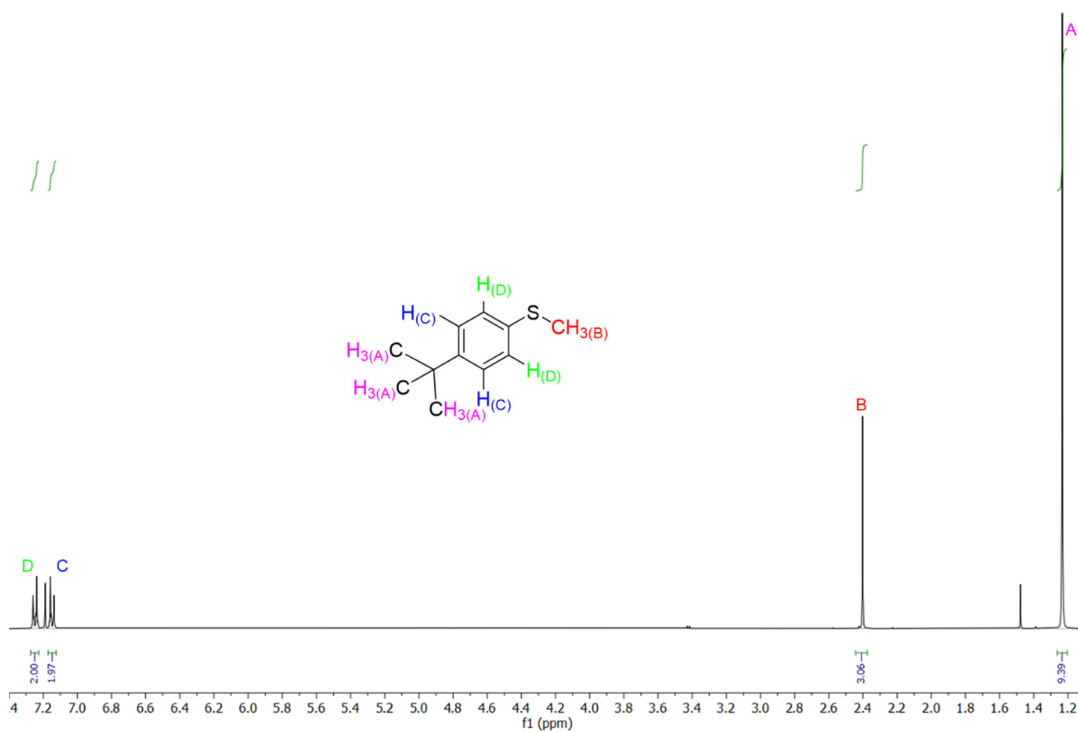


Figure S1. ^1H NMR spectrum of *p*- $^{\text{tert}}$ butylthioanisole in CDCl_3 at 25°C .

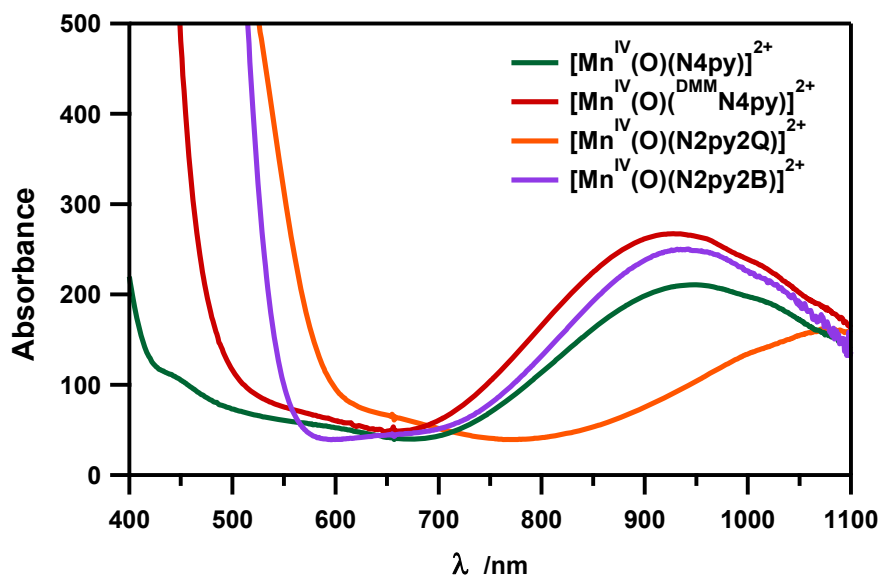


Figure S2. UV-Vis spectra of 1.0 mM Mn^{IV} -oxo complexes $[\text{Mn}^{\text{IV}}(\text{O})(\text{N4py})]^{2+}$ (1), $[\text{Mn}^{\text{IV}}(\text{O})(2\text{pyN2Q})]^{2+}$ (2), $[\text{Mn}^{\text{IV}}(\text{O})(^{\text{DMM}}\text{N4py})]^{2+}$ (3) and $[\text{Mn}^{\text{IV}}(\text{O})(2\text{pyN2B})]^{2+}$ (4) in $\text{CF}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ at 25°C .

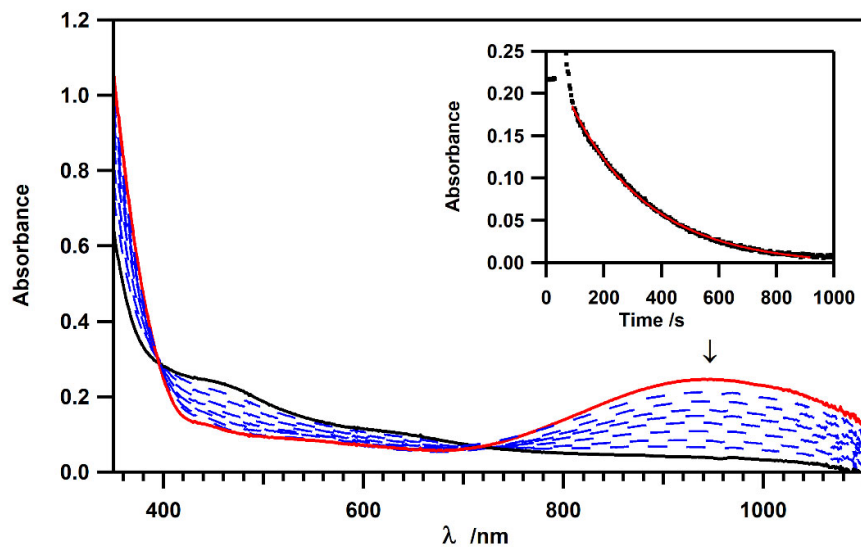


Figure S3. Electronic absorption spectra showing the decay of $[\text{Mn}^{\text{IV}}(\text{O})(\text{N4py})]^{2+}$ upon addition of 40 equiv. thioanisole. The inset shows the decay of the near-IR signal at 950 nm over time (black dots) and a fit using a pseudo first-order kinetic model (red trace).

Table S1. Summary of the conditions for thioanisole sulfoxidation by Mn^{IV} -oxo adducts **1-4** for the variable-temperature kinetic studies.

	$[\text{Mn}^{\text{IV}}(\text{O})(\text{N2py2Q})]^{2+}$ (2)	$[\text{Mn}^{\text{IV}}(\text{O})(\text{N4py})]^{2+}$ (1)	$[\text{Mn}^{\text{IV}}(\text{O})(\text{DMMN4py})]^{2+}$ (3)	$[\text{Mn}^{\text{IV}}(\text{O})(\text{N2py2B})]^{2+}$ (4)
Concentration (mM)	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Equiv. PhIO	10	2.5	1.2	2.5
Temperature range (°C)	-15-15	3-35	35-65	15-45

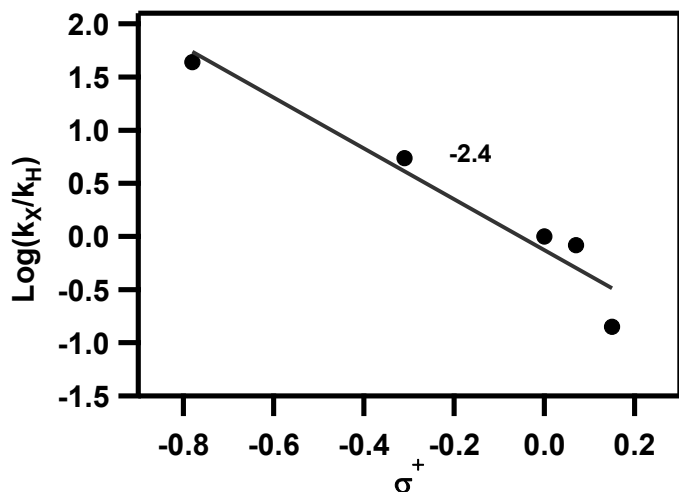


Figure S4. Hammett plot of $\log(k_X/k_H)$ against σ^+ of para-X-thioanisole derivatives by **1** at 273 K. Data taken from *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2013**, 135, 6388. The original analysis of these data employed the σ value, which yields a better fit. Here we have used σ^+ to provide an even comparison to the data in Figure 4 of the main text.

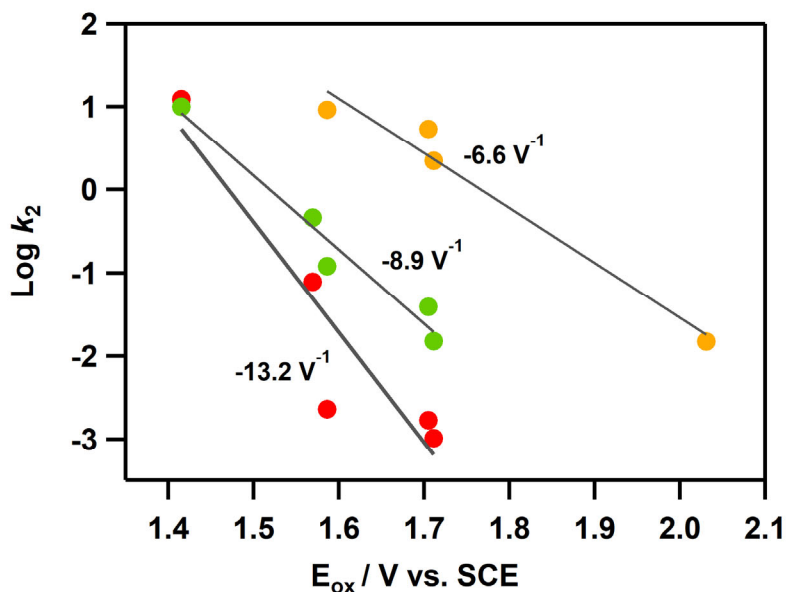


Figure S5. Plot of $\log k_2$ against one-electron oxidation potentials (E_{ox}) of p-X-thioanisole derivatives for **1** (green), **2** (orange) and **3** (red) in $\text{CF}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ at 298 K. While the data shown for **3** follow the general trend of increasing rate with decreasing E_{ox} , the poorer agreement between the linear fit line and the data points shows that this trend is less linear than the trends for complexes **1** and **2**.

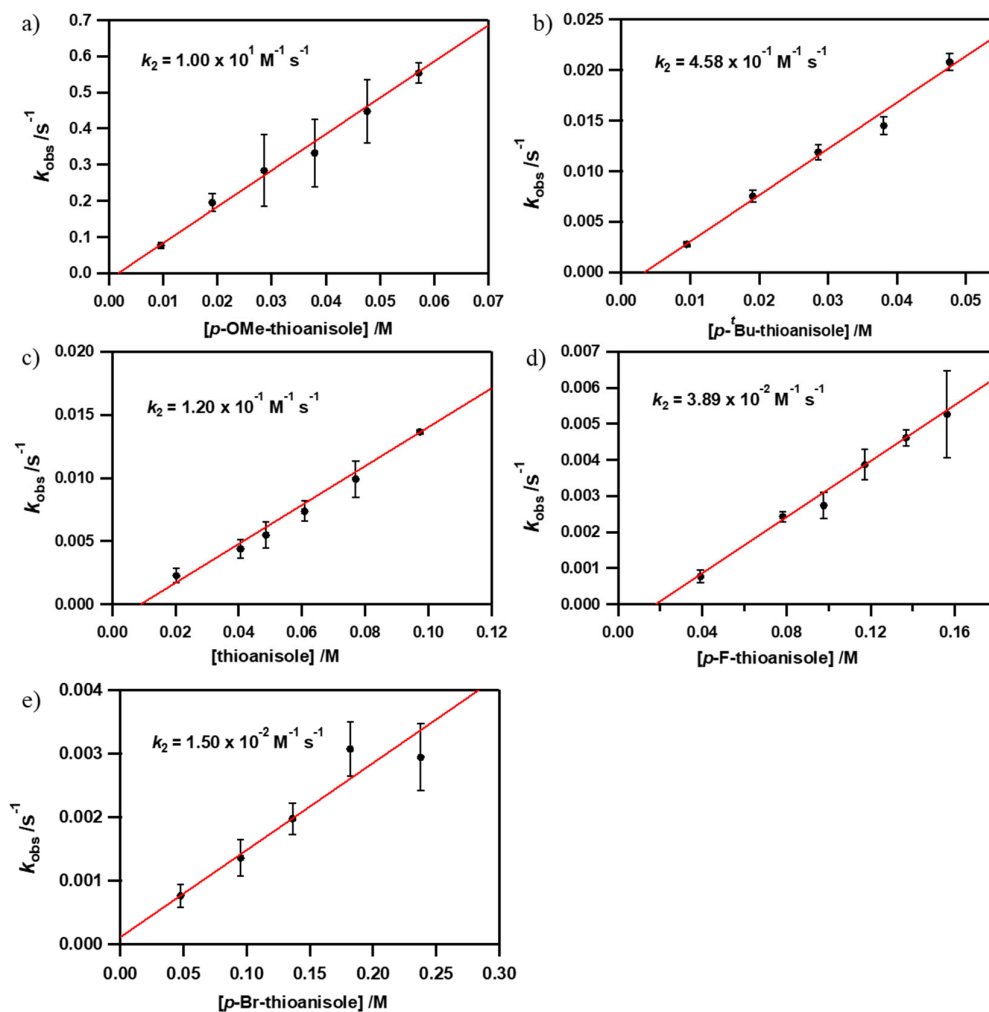


Figure S6. Plots of pseudo-first-order rate constants (k_{obs}) against substrate concentrations to obtain second order rate constants (k_2) for sulfoxidation of a) p -methoxythioanisole, b) p -butylthioanisole, c) thioanisole, d) p -fluorothioanisole and e) p -bromothioanisole by 1 mM solution of **1** in $\text{CF}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ at 298 K.

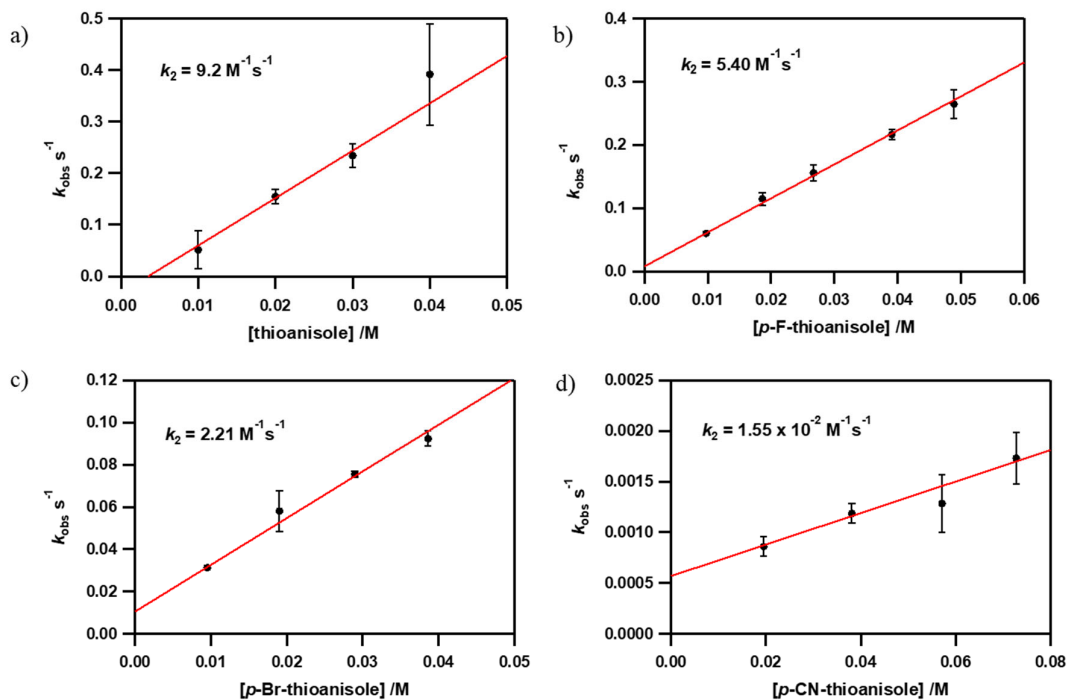


Figure S7. Plots of pseudo-first-order rate constants (k_{obs}) against substrate concentrations to obtain second order rate constant (k_2) for sulfoxidation of a) thioanisole, b) *p*-fluorothioanisole, c) *p*-bromothioanisole and d) *p*-cyanothioanisole, by 1 mM solution of **2** in $\text{CF}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ at 298 K.

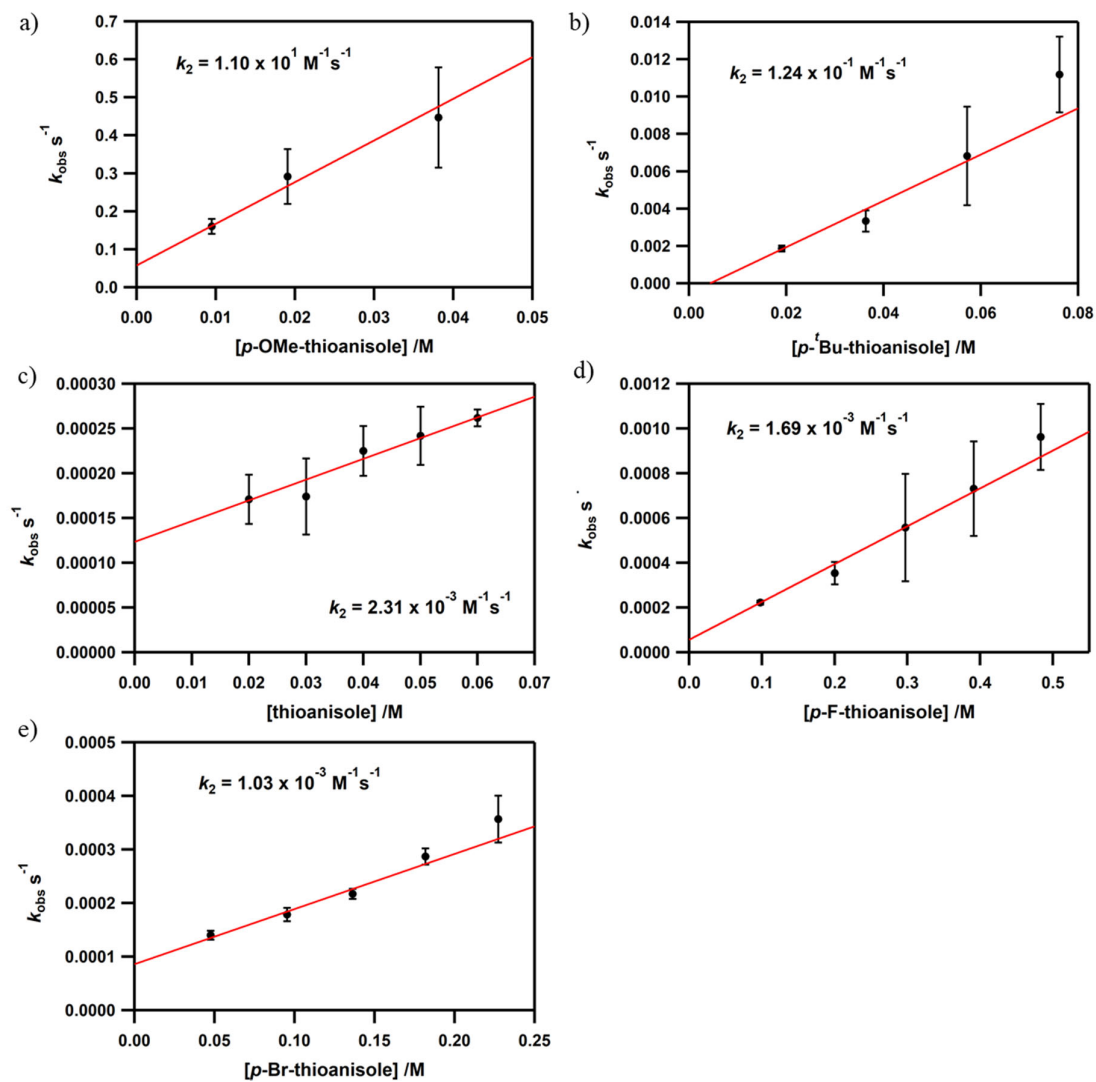


Figure S8. Plots of pseudo-first-order rate constants (k_{obs}) against substrate concentrations to obtain second order rate constant (k_2) for sulfoxidation of a) *p*-methoxythioanisole, b) *p*-butylthioanisole, c) thioanisole, d) *p*-fluorothioanisole and e) *p*-bromothioanisole by 1mM solution of **3** in $\text{CF}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ at 298 K.

Kinetic experiments with complex $[\text{Mn}^{\text{IV}}(\text{O})(\text{N}2\text{py}2\text{B})]^{2+}$ (**4**).

Formation of **4** was achieved by addition of 2.5 equiv. PhIO to a solution of $[\text{Mn}^{\text{II}}(\text{OH}_2)(\text{N}2\text{py}2\text{B})]^{2+}$ in TFE (trifluoroethyl alcohol) at 298 K. The characteristic near-IR feature at 940 nm decayed upon addition of excess *p*-thioanisole derivatives. The decay rate of this complex could only be fit with pseudo-first order model for the oxidation reactions with *p*-*tert*-butylthioanisole and thioanisole, and second-order rate constants could be obtained as shown in Figure S10. The plot for *p*-*tert*-butylthioanisole (Figure S10) shows a large, negative intercept, which indicates some problems with the fit. Any attempts to assess the reactivity of **4** with *p*-methoxy-thioanisole resulted in kinetics that were too fast to yield reliable rates using a conventional UV-vis spectrometer. With *p*-fluorothioanisole, the kinetics showed a fast initial decay followed by a slower decay phase, implying a complex reaction. Decay kinetics involving the *p*-bromothioanisole derivative could not be fit to three half-lives (Figure S9).

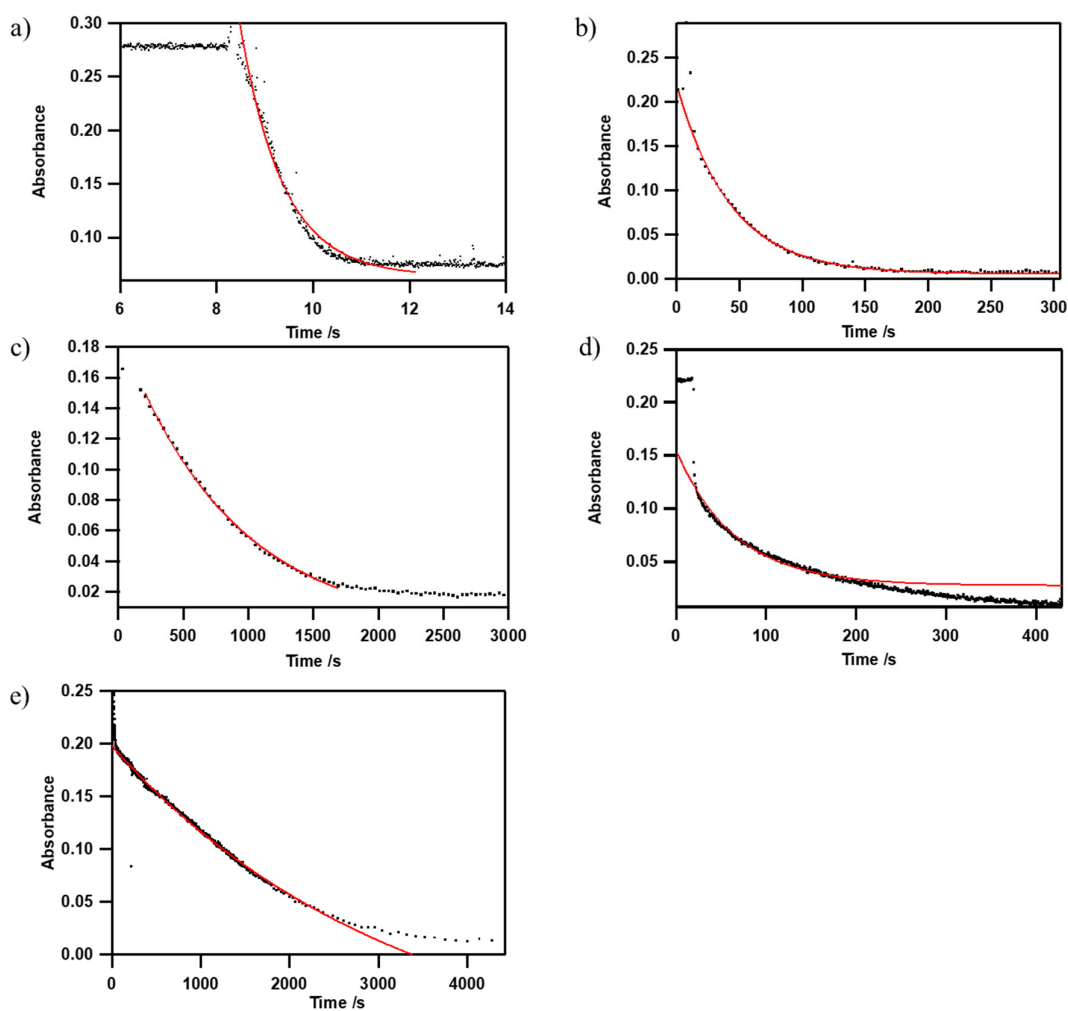


Figure S9. Pseudo-first order fits for the reactions of a) *p*-methoxythioanisole, b) *p*-*tert*-butylthioanisole, c) thioanisole, d) *p*-fluorothioanisole and e) *p*-bromothioanisole derivatives with 1 mM solution of **4** in $\text{CF}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ at 298 K. The poor fits for some of these substrates led to their exclusion from our analysis.

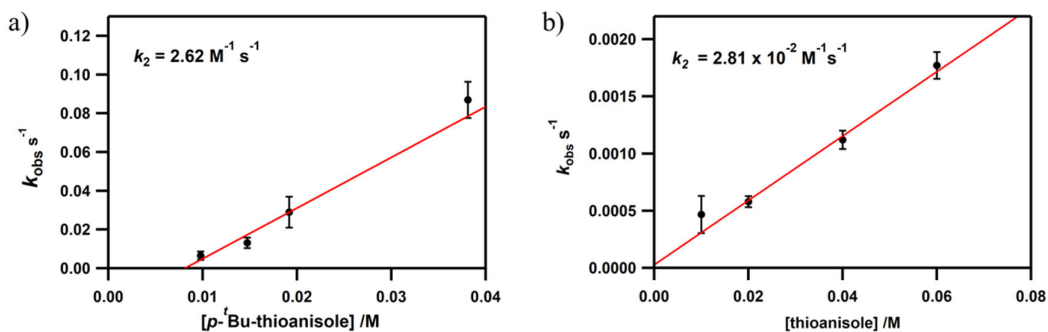


Figure S10. Plots of pseudo-first-order rate constants (k_{obs}) against substrate concentrations to obtain second order rate constant (k_2) for sulfoxidation of a) *p*-butylthioanisole and b) thioanisole by 1 mM solution of **4** in CF₃CH₂OH at 298 K.

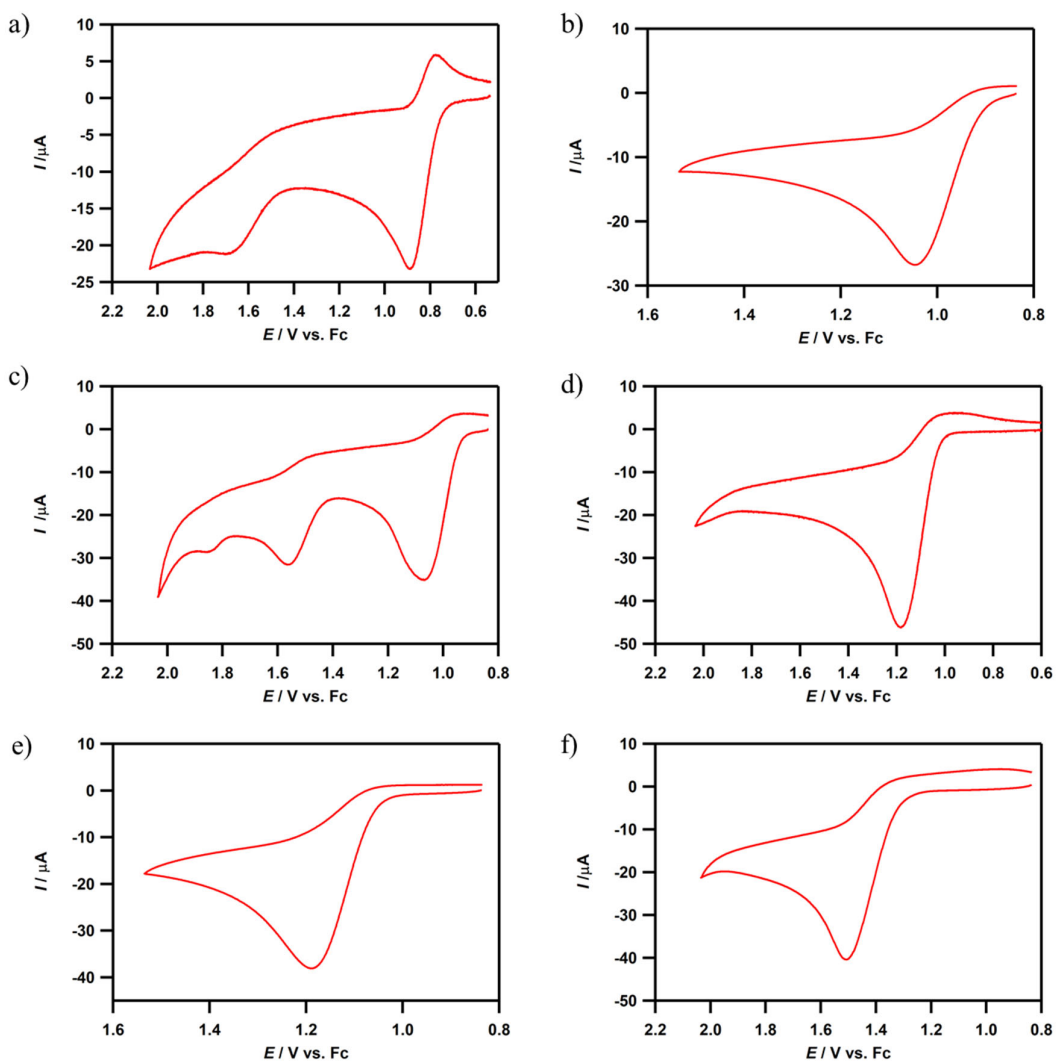


Figure S11. Cyclic voltammograms of a) *p*-methoxythioanisole, b) *p*-butylthioanisole, c) thioanisole, d) *p*-fluorothioanisole, e) *p*-bromothioanisole and f) *p*-cyanothioanisole recorded in CF₃CH₂-OH with 0.1 M Bu₄NPF₆ electrolyte solution at 100 mV s⁻¹ at 298 K.

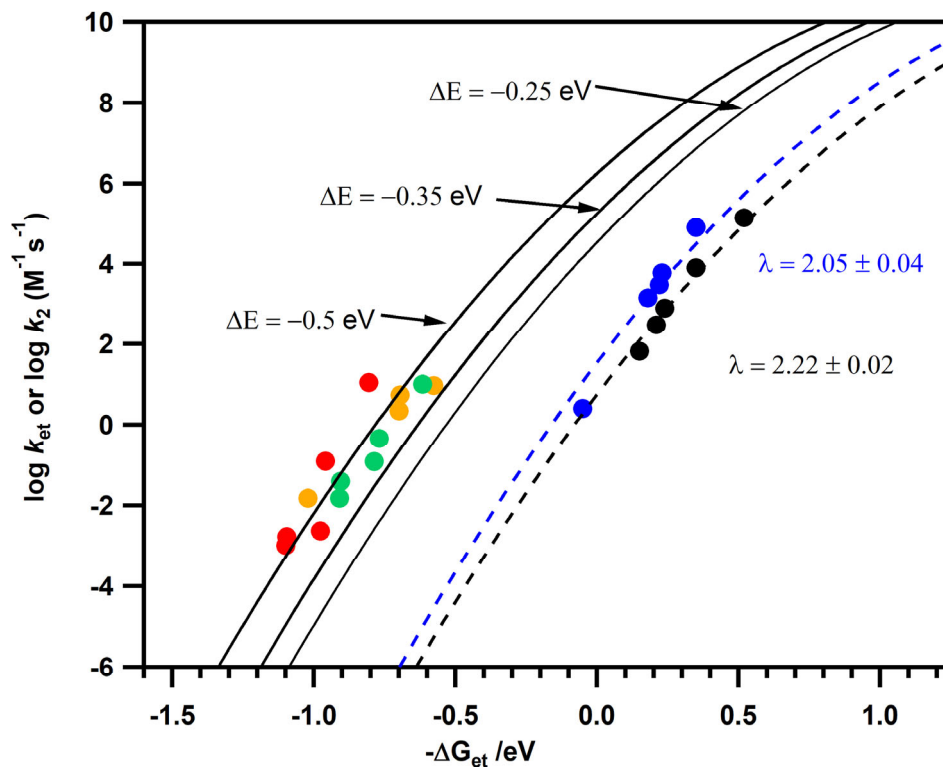


Figure S12. Plot of $\log k_2$ for sulfoxidation of para thioanisole derivatives vs driving force of electron transfer [$-\Delta G_{\text{et}} = e(E_{\text{red}} - E_{\text{ox}})$] from thioanisoles to $[\text{Mn}^{\text{IV}}(\text{O})\text{N4py}]^{2+}$ (green dots), $[\text{Mn}^{\text{IV}}(\text{O})2\text{pyN2Q}]^{2+}$ (orange dots), and $[\text{Mn}^{\text{IV}}(\text{O})^{\text{DMM}}\text{N4py}]^{2+}$ (red dots) at 298 K, and $[\text{Mn}^{\text{IV}}(\text{O})\text{N4py}]^{2+}$ in presence of HOTf (blue dots) at 273 K. Black dots represents the driving force dependence of the rate constants ($\log k_{\text{et}}$) of the ET from one-electron reductants to $[\text{Mn}^{\text{IV}}(\text{O})\text{N4py}]^{2+}$ at 273 K. The solid black curves represent fits where the reorganization energy has been set at 2.0 eV (similar to the reorganization energy for outer-sphere electron transfer for **1**) and we have then evaluated the effects of uniform shifts in substrate E_{ox} values (ΔE in the figure). Only when $\Delta E > 350$ mV does the fitted curve begin to overlap with the data points. This results reveals a fairly low sensitivity of k_{et} on E_{ox} . Data for the blue and black dots are taken from J. Chen, H. Yoon, Y.-M. Lee, M. S. Seo, R. Sarangi, S. Fukuzumi and W. Nam, *Chemical Science*, 2015, **6**, 3624-3632.