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## **Engineering Mechanisms of Proton-Coupled Electron Transfer to a Titaniumsubstituted Polyoxovanadate-alkoxide**

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Figure S1. Loss of H<sub>2</sub>Phen<sup>+</sup> as a function of H<sub>2</sub>Phen in MeCN at 273 K.



Average intercept from trials 243 – 283 K is 1312.9 M<sup>-1</sup> [H<sub>2</sub>Phen<sup>++</sup>]<sub>initial</sub><sup>average</sup> = 0.00076 M H<sub>2</sub>Phen<sup>+</sup>

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