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**Interpretation of the multiple vanadium-oxygen bonds in the central $\text{VO}(\eta^2\text{-O}_2)^+$ group.
Synthesis, structure, supramolecular interactions and DFT studies for complexes with
2,2'-bipyridine, 1,10-phenanthroline, pyrazinato(1-) and pyrazinamide ligands**

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ELECTRONIC SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Tables 1S & 2S. The first six calculated UV-Vis transitions (Table 1S) and selected frontier orbital energies for $\text{VO}(\text{O}_2)^+$ (Table 2S). Only the largest contribution to individual UV-Vis transitions is listed. (Gaussian-03 Revision B.05, time-dependant DFT, Becke/Perdew-Wang 91 functional, 6-311+G(3d,p) basis set, Douglas-Kroll-Hess 2nd order scalar relativistic calculation, ultrafine integration grid.)

Table 1S

State	Orbital nos.	λ (nm)	Oscillator strength
1	$23 \rightarrow 24$	1488.63	0.0000
2	$23 \rightarrow 26$	517.45	0.0041
3	$23 \rightarrow 25$	510.32	0.0067
4	$22 \rightarrow 24$	395.52	0.0036
5	$21 \rightarrow 24$	370.11	0.0003
6	$23 \rightarrow 28$	321.15	0.0005

Table 2S

Orbital nos.	ϵ [a.u.]	Symm.	Contributions [%]		
			V	Peroxo	Oxo
16	-0.70114	A'	3.11	96.41	0.48
17	-0.67894	A'	27.30	70.36	2.34
18	-0.67247	A'	28.88	55.21	15.90
19	-0.61128	A''	34.48	12.28	53.23
20	-0.60547	A'	30.78	7.43	61.78
21	-0.58285	A'	17.48	24.10	58.42
22	-0.57649	A''	31.61	59.97	8.42
23 (HOMO)	-0.49167	A''	7.59	80.78	11.63
24 (LUMO)	-0.46260	A'	90.35	8.24	1.41
25	-0.42339	A''	59.27	32.89	7.83
26	-0.40717	A'	83.05	3.09	13.86
27	-0.35676	A''	50.95	35.23	13.82
28	-0.35145	A'	65.92	9.54	24.55
29	-0.28308	A''	3.59	96.37	0.04

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Tables 3S & 4S. The first ten calculated UV-Vis transitions (Table 3S) and selected frontier orbital energies for 1 (Table 4S). Only the largest contribution to individual UV-Vis transitions is listed. (Gaussian-03 Revision B.05, time-dependant DFT, Becke/Perdew-Wang 91 functional, 6-311+G(3d,p) basis set, Douglas-Kroll-Hess 2nd order scalar relativistic calculation, ultrafine integration grid.)

Table 3S

State	Orbital nos.	λ (nm)	Oscillator strength
1	96 → 98	512.15	0.0003
2	96 → 97	502.23	0.0049
3	96 → 99	428.59	0.0024
4	96 → 103	388.92	0.0013
5	96 → 99	373.91	0.0018
6	96 → 100	372.37	0.0060
7	95 → 97	362.57	0.0003
8	96 → 104	359.19	0.0001
9	96 → 102	344.99	0.0046
10	96 → 105	334.39	0.0006

Table 4S

Orbital nos.	ε [a.u.]
90	-0.30188
91	-0.29443
92	-0.28447
93	-0.27880
94	-0.27596
95	-0.26240
96 (HOMO)	-0.21588
97 (LUMO)	-0.09907
98	-0.09840
99	-0.07248
100	-0.06630

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Tables 5S & 6S. The first ten calculated UV-Vis transitions (Table 5S) and selected frontier orbital energies for **2** (Table 6S). (Gaussian-03 Revision B.05, time-dependant DFT, Becke/Perdew-Wang 91 functional, 6-311+G(3d,p) basis set, Douglas-Kroll-Hess 2nd order scalar relativistic calculation, ultrafine integration grid).

Table 5S

State	Orbital nos.	Coeff.	λ (nm)	Oscillator strength
1	102 → 103	-0.23721	506.19	0.0003
	102 → 104	0.63914		
2	102 → 103	0.64894	502.84	0.0049
	102 → 104	0.22666		
3	102 → 104	0.12510	463.69	0.0014
	102 → 105	0.69099		
4	102 → 104	-0.13318	425.06	0.0027
	102 → 106	0.46518		
	102 → 107	0.41823		
	102 → 108	0.13283		
	102 → 109	0.14295		
5	102 → 107	-0.25827	385.59	0.0011
	102 → 108	0.46867		
	102 → 109	0.42829		
6	102 → 106	0.46031	371.80	0.0016
	102 → 107	-0.36110		
	102 → 108	-0.17392		
	102 → 110	0.25333		
	102 → 112	0.19333		
7	101 → 103	0.66831	361.17	0.0003
8	102 → 106	-0.16136	358.80	0.0007
	102 → 110	0.62042		
	102 → 111	-0.23157		
	102 → 112	-0.11136		
	102 → 106	-0.14948	340.51	0.0007
9	102 → 107	0.27041		
	102 → 109	0.17205		
	102 → 110	0.13225		
	102 → 111	0.35751		
	102 → 112	0.44009		
10	100 → 104	-0.12256	320.42	0.0029
	102 → 108	-0.44521		
	102 → 109	0.48511		
	102 → 112	-0.12477		

Table 6S

Orbital nos.	ε [a.u.]
92	-0.32991
93	-0.31417
94	-0.30348
95	-0.30150
96	-0.29471
97	-0.28581
98	-0.28303
99	-0.27711
100	-0.26840
101	-0.26231
102 (HOMO)	-0.21523
103 (LUMO)	-0.09842

104	-0.09760
105	-0.09273
106	-0.06853

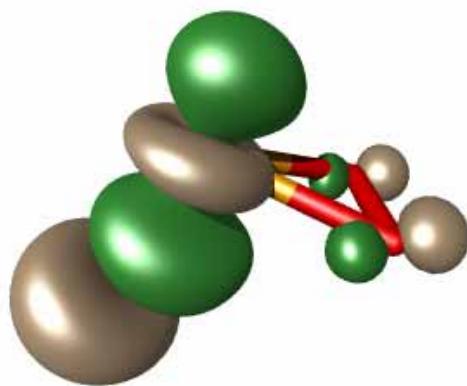


Fig. 1S Orbital 19 of the $\text{VO}(\text{O}_2)^+$ group.

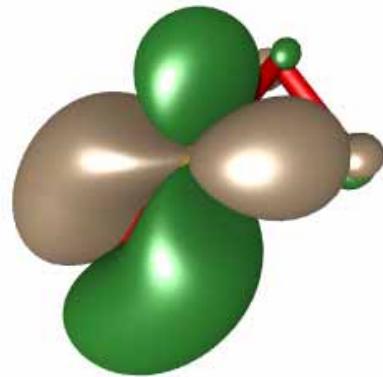


Fig. 2S Orbital 20 of the $\text{VO}(\text{O}_2)^+$ group.