

Supporting Information

for

**Dissociation kinetics of Mn<sup>2+</sup> complexes with NOTA and DOTA**

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**Table S1.** Observed pseudo first-order rate constants  $k_{\text{obs}}$  ( $\cdot 10^5 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ), for dissociation of  $[\text{Mn}(\text{nota})]^-$  complex as a function of  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$  concentration and pH.

$c(\text{Zn}^{2+})$ [mM]/pH	3.5	4.0	4.6	5.0	5.6
5	19.4	7.52	2.51	1.30	0.46
10	18.1	7.11	2.38	1.20	0.42
20	16.8	6.03	2.19	1.05	0.37
30	15.3	5.90	1.98	0.95	0.36
50	15.1	4.96	1.66	0.82	0.23

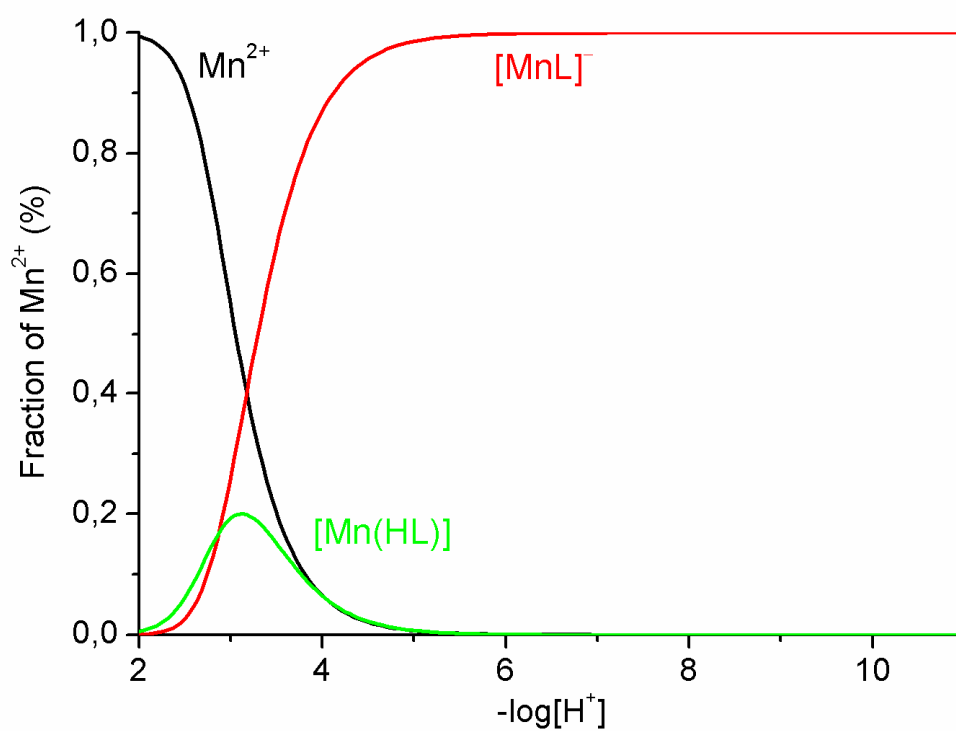
**Table S2.** Observed pseudo first-order rate constants  $k_{\text{obs}}$  ( $\cdot 10^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ), for dissociation of  $[\text{Mn}(\text{dota})]^{2-}$  complex as a function of  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$  concentration and pH.

$c(\text{Zn}^{2+})$ [mM]/pH	3.8	4.1	4.6	5.1	5.6
5	10.58	5.24	1.47	0.54	0.26
10	9.22	4.17	1.22	0.47	0.26
20	7.18	3.27	0.88	0.32	0.25
30	6.73	2.75	0.75	0.28	0.27
50	5.00	1.93	0.53	0.23	0.30

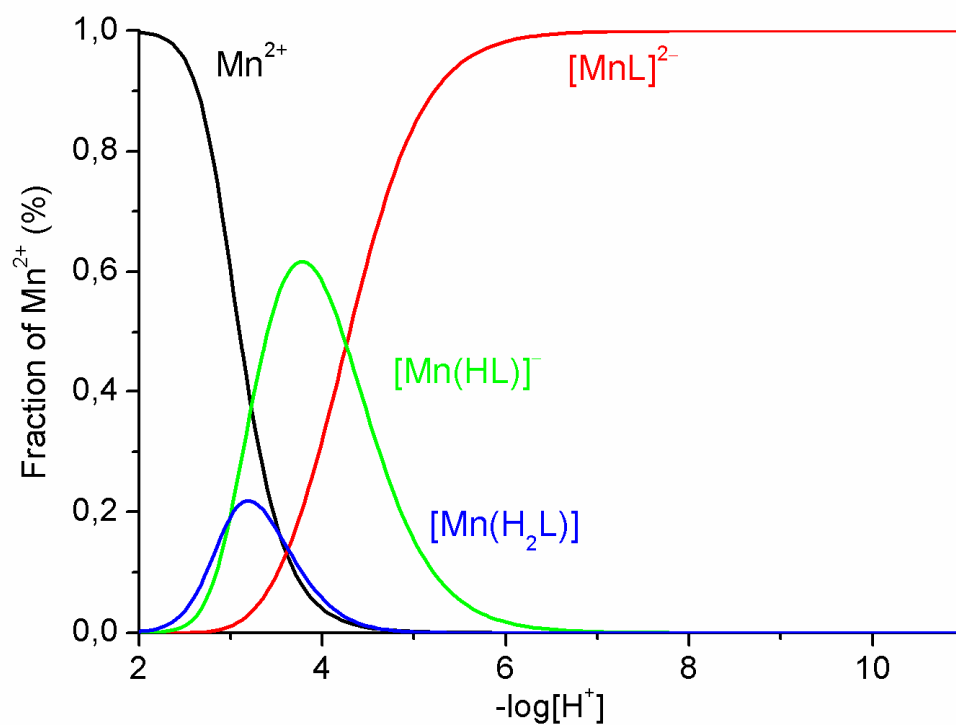
**Table S3** Experimental values of overall protonation/stability constants ( $\log\beta_{hlm}$ ) of NOTA and its  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  complex (25 °C,  $I = 0.1 \text{ M}$  ( $\text{NMe}_4$ )Cl, standard deviations in parenthesis as calculated by OPIUM);  $\beta_{hlm} = [\text{H}_h\text{L}_l\text{M}_m] / [\text{H}]^h \times [\text{L}]^l \times [\text{M}]^m$ .

Ion	Equilibrium	stoichiometry			NOTA
		<i>h</i>	<i>l</i>	<i>m</i>	
$\text{H}^+$	$\text{L} + \text{H}^+ \leftrightarrow \text{HL}^{2-}$	1	1	0	13.17(2)
	$\text{L} + 2\text{H}^+ \leftrightarrow \text{H}_2\text{L}^-$	2	1	0	18.91(1)
	$\text{L} + 3\text{H}^+ \leftrightarrow \text{H}_3\text{L}$	3	1	0	22.13(1)
	$\text{L} + 4\text{H}^+ \leftrightarrow \text{H}_4\text{L}^+$	4	1	0	24.09(1)
$\text{Mn}^{2+}$	$\text{L} + \text{Mn}^{2+} \leftrightarrow [\text{Mn}(\text{L})]^-$	0	1	1	16.30(1)
	$\text{L} + \text{Mn}^{2+} + \text{H}^+ \leftrightarrow [\text{Mn}(\text{HL})]$	1	1	1	19.17(1)

**Figure S1** Species distribution diagram of the  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$ -NOTA system ( $c_{\text{Mn}^{2+}} = c_{\text{L}} = 1\text{mM}$ ,  $I = 0.1\text{ M}$  ( $\text{NMe}_4\text{Cl}$ )).



**Figure S2** Species distribution diagram of the  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$ -DOTA system ( $c_{\text{Mn}^{2+}} = c_{\text{L}} = 1\text{mM}$ ,  $I = 0.1\text{ M}$  ( $\text{NMe}_4\text{Cl}$ )).



**Figure S3**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR titration curves of NOTA (■ signal of pendant arms  $\text{CH}_2$ ; ● signal of macrocycle  $\text{CH}_2$ ) with fitted curve (full line) as obtained by OPIUM.

