Supplementary information for:

"Oxidative purification of halogenated ferrocenes"

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Electrochemistry



Figure S1. Cyclic voltammograms of FcH (black solid line), pure FcX (red dotted line) and fcX₂ (blue dashed line) (potentials reported versus [FcH]⁺/[FcH]) – current scaled for clarity.

compound	$E_{\rm pa}\left({ m V} ight)$	$E_{\rm pc}$ (V)	$\Delta E \left(\mathbf{V} \right)^{\mathrm{b}}$	$i_{\rm p}^{\ a}/i_{\rm p}^{\ c}$	$E_{1/2}\left(\mathbf{V}\right)^{\mathbf{c}}$
FcI	0.116	0.194	0.078	1.00	0.155
FcBr	0.133	0.201	0.068	1.00	0.167
fcI_2	0.250	0.323	0.073	1.04	0.287
fcBr ₂	0.279	0.359	0.080	1.03	0.319

Table S1. Electrochemical data for the haloferrocenes.^a

^a For scan rate = 0.1 Vs⁻¹. Bu₄N⁺PF₆⁻ (0.1 M) in MeCN; WE: glassy carbon; RE, CE: Pt. All potentials (error = ± 0.02 V) assigned to the Fe(II)/Fe(III) redox couple and reported relative to an internal [FcH]⁺/[FcH] reference. ^b $\Delta E > 0.060$ V due to a small uncompensated solution resistance effect. ^c $E_{1/2} = \frac{1}{2}(E_{pa} + E_{pc})$.

¹H/¹³C NMR spectroscopy





Figure S2. Selected ¹H NMR spectra in CDCl₃ showing the elimination of FcH (black arrow, after 1 wash with 0.5 M aqueous FeCl₃) and FcI (blue arrows, after 10 washings) from their mixture with fcI₂ (green arrows).





Figure S3. Selected ¹H NMR spectra in CDCl₃ showing the elimination of FcH (black arrow, after 1 wash with 0.5 M aqueous FeCl₃) and FcBr (blue arrows, after 4 washings with 0.5 M aqueous FeCl₃ followed by 2 washings with 2 M aqueous FeCl₃) from their mixture with fcBr₂ (green arrows).







