## **Supporting Information**

## A manganese-doped polymeric framework of polyoxotitanate nanoclusters with a narrow band gap

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## **Experimental Section**

All of the reagents and solvent were purchased from commercial sources: Titanium(IV) ethoxide (99+%) was purchased from Alfa Aesar; Manganese(II) bromide tetrahydrate, 1,1,1-Tris(hydroxymethyl)ethane (99%), and ethanol (200 proof, anhydrous,  $\geq$  99.5%) were purchased from ALDRICH.The compounds containing titanium were stored and handled in a glove-box under a nitrogen atmosphere.

Synthesis of  ${Ti_{13}Mn_4O_{16}[CH_3C(CH_2O)_3]_4(OEt)_{12}Br_4}_{\infty}$ :

To a Teflon-lined Parr bomb with a 23 mL capacity was loaded Titanium(IV) ethoxide (684.3 mg, 3.0 mmol), 1,1,1-Tris(hydroxymethyl)ethane (120.2 mg, 1.0 mmol), Manganese(II) bromide tetrahydrate (143.4 mg, 0.5 mmol), and ethanol (5.0 mL). The resulting mixture was stirred for 5 minutes and sealed. The reactor was heated in an oven to 150 °C for 72 hours and then cooled to 40 °C over 48 hours. After the oven was totally cooled to the room temperature, the yellow block crystals of  ${Ti_{13}Mn_4O_{16}[MeC(CH_2O)_3]_4(OEt)_{12}Br_4}_{\infty}$  were taken out from the Parr bomb, and washed with ethanol and dried in the glove-box. Yield: 26.1 mg (8.6% based on Mn). Elemental analysis calcd (%) for  $C_{44}H_{96}O_{40}Br_4Mn_4Ti_{13}$ : C 21.78, H 3.99; found: C 21.68, H 3.92.

$\{Ti_{13}Mn_4O_{16}[MeC(CH_2O)_3]_4(OEt)_{12}Br_4\}_{\infty}$
$C_{44}H_{96}O_{40}Br_4Mn_4Ti_{13}$
2426.88
Tetragonal
$I4_1md$
34.8012(10)
34.8012(10)
14.7872(6)
17909.1(10)
8
90(2)
9647
3.490
9472
4957
485
0.0545
0.1579
1.043

 ${}^{a}R = \Sigma ||F_{o}| - |F_{c}||/\Sigma |F_{o}|$ .  ${}^{b}wR = {\Sigma w(F_{o}^{2}-F_{c}^{2})^{2}/\Sigma w(F_{o}^{2})^{2}}^{1/2}$ .  ${}^{c}GOF = {\Sigma [w((F_{o}^{2}-F_{c}^{2})^{2})/(n-p)]^{1/2}}$ , where n = number of reflections and p = total numbers of parameters refined.



## Fig. S1 EDS spectrum of $\{Ti_{13}Mn_4O_{16}[MeC(CH_2O)_3]_4(OEt)_{12}Br_4\}_{\infty}$ .

Elt.	Line	Intensity (c/s)	Error 2-sig	Atomic %	Conc	Units	
Ti	Ka	1,593.07	16.337	62.943	54.902	wt.%	
Mn	Ka	370.71	8.168	19.470	19.491	wt.%	
Br	Ka	131.11	5.020	17.587	25.607	wt.%	
				100.000	100.000	wt.%	Total
KV 30.0							
Takeoff Angle 45.0°							
Elapsed Livetime 25.0							