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Synthesis, Characterization, and Reactivity Studies of a Hydrosoluble Bis(alkoxo)(carboxylato)-bridged DiMn^{III} Complex Modeling the Active Site in Catalase

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Figure S1. Negative mode ESI-mass spectra of 1 in (a) methanol, (b) H_2O and (c) Et_3N/Et_3NH^+ buffer of pH 11.



Figure S2. Electronic spectra of **1** in water registered at different times. $[1] = 6.5 \times 10^{-2}$ mM.



Figure S3. ¹H NMR spectra of **1** in D₄-methanol (600 μ L) and after addition of increasing amounts of D₃CCO₂Na. [**1**] = 14 mM.



Figure S4. ¹H NMR spectra of 1 in D₄-methanol (600 μ L) and after addition of increasing amounts of D₂O. [1] = 20 mM.



Figure S5. Time-dependence of O_2 evolution after successive additions of 130 equiv of H_2O_2 to a DMF solution of **1** (1.5 mM). T = 298 K.

