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DEPMPO: an Efficient Tool for the Coupled ESR-Spin Trapping of Alkylperoxyl radicals in Water

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Figure S1: ESR signals during superoxide and hydroxyl radicals formation. a, signal obtained upon incubating xanthine (0.4 mM), XOD (0.04 U/ml), DTPA (0.3 mM) and DEPMPO (50 mM) in phosphate buffer (0.1 M, pH 7.4), **b**., as (**a**) but in the presence of SOD (0.1 mg.mL⁻¹), **c**, as (**b**) but in the presence of irradiated SOD (0.1 mg.mL⁻¹), **d**, UV-photolysis of a solution containing DEPMPO (5 mM), H_2O_2 (1%). Spectrometer settings: microwave power, 10 mW; modulation amplitude, 0.1 mT; time constant, 0.128 s; gain, $5x10^4$; scan range, 14 mT and scan time, 43 s (4 scans for each signal).



Figure S2: Authentic ESR spectra of DEPMPO-OR spin adducts in water. DEPMPO-OR spin adducts were obtained by addition of FeCl₃ (2 mM) to the respective ROH solution of DEPMPO (0.5 M) for 2 min; then 30 μ L of this solution were added to 270 μ L of a phosphate buffer solution (0.1 M, pH 7.4) containing DTPA (20 mM). **a**, DEPMPO-O*n*Bu. The spectrum below represents the simulation. **b**, DEPMPO-O*i*Pr. The spectrum below represents the simulation. **c**, DEPMPO-O*tert*-Bu: a solution of DEPMPO (50 mM) and *tert*-BuOO*tert*-Bu (0.5 M) in *tert*-butanol was irradiated during 30 s and 30 μ L of this solution were added to 270 μ L of phosphate buffer (0.1 M, pH 7.4); Spectrometer settings: microwave power, 10 mW; modulation amplitude, 0.05 mT; time constant, 0.128 s; gain, 5 x10⁴; scan range, 12 mT and scan time, 42 s (4 scans for **a**. and **b**.; 84 s for **c**.).



Figure S3: Free radicals trapped during the reaction between cytochrome c and *t*-BuOOH in the presence of different DEPMPO concentrations. **a**, incubation mixture containing cytochrome c (20 μ M), *t*-BuOOH (15 mM), DTPA (0.3 mM) and DEPMPO (100 mM) in oxygen-saturated phosphate buffer (0.1 M, pH 7.4). The ESR spectrum observed corresponds to a mixture of DEPMPO-O*tert*-Bu (\blacklozenge), DEPMPO-OOCH₃ (\blacklozenge) and DEPMPO-CH₃ (\bigstar) spin adducts. **b**, as (**a**) but in the presence of DEPMPO (400 mM). The ESR spectrum observed corresponds to a mixture of DEPMPO-O*tert*-Bu (\blacklozenge) and DEPMPO-CH₃ (\bigstar) spin adducts The grey spectrum below represents the computer simulation. Spectrometer settings: microwave power, 10 mW; modulation amplitude, 0.1 mT; time constant, 0.128 s; gain, 1x10⁵; scan range, 14 mT for **a**. and 12 mT for **b**. and scan time, 43 s.



Figure S4: DEPMPO-OOCH₃ spin adduct generation during the reaction between cytochrome c and cumylhydroperoxide. a, EPR spectrum obtained from a solution containing DEPMPO (8 mM) and cumylhydroperoxide (CumOOH) (12.5 mM) in phosphate buffer (0.1 M, pH 7.4). b. EPR signal obtained upon adding Cytochome c (20 μ M) to the previous incubation mixture c, as (b) after 4 scans. Spectrometer settings: microwave power, 10 mW; modulation amplitude, 0.1 mT; time constant, 0.128 s; gain, 5x10⁴; scan range, 14 mT and scan time, 43 s. Supplementary Material (ESI) for Organic & Biomolecular Chemistry This journal is (c) The Royal Society of Chemistry 2010



Figure S5: DEPMPO spin adducts obtained during the reaction between *t*-BuOOH and Fe²⁺ in the presence of DEPMPO. Addition of Fe²⁺ (0.5 mM) to a deoxygenated phosphate buffer solution (0.1 M, pH 7.4) containing *tert*-BuOOH (4 mM) and DEPMPO (0.05 M) led to a mixture of DEPMPO-O*tert*-Bu (\blacklozenge , $a_N = 1.39$; $a_{H\beta} = 1.45$ and $a_P = 4.66$ mT; 73 %) and DEPMPO-CH₃ (\bigstar , $a_N = 1.52$; $a_{H\beta} = 2.23$ and aP = 4.76 mT; 27 %). Spectrometer settings: microwave power, 10 mW; modulation amplitude, 0.1 mT; time constant, 0.128 s; gain, 5x10⁴; scan range, 12 mT and scan time, 83 s.