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## Variable $\pi$ -Bonding in Iron(II) Porphyrinates with Nitrite, CO and *tert*-Butyl Isocyanide. Characterization of $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})]^-$

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### Abstract

The addition of the strongly  $\pi$ -bonding ligands CO or *tert*-butyl isocyanide to the low-spin five-coordinate iron(II) nitrite species,  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)]^-$ , (TpivPP = picket fence porphyrin) gives two new six-coordinate species  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})]^-$  and  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})-(\text{NO}_2)(t\text{-BuNC})]^-$ . These species have been characterized by single-crystal structure determinations and by UV-vis, IR and Mössbauer spectroscopies. All evidence shows that in the mixed-ligand iron(II) porphyrin species,  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})]^-$ , the two trans,  $\pi$ -accepting ligands CO and nitrite compete for  $\pi$  density. The CO ligand however dominates the bonding. The Fe–N(NO<sub>2</sub>) bond lengths for the two independent anions in the unit cell at 2.006(4) and 2.009(4) Å are lengthened compared to other nitrite species with either no trans ligands or non- $\pi$ -accepting trans ligands to nitrite. The Fe–C(CO) bond lengths are 1.782(4) Å and 1.789(5) Å for the two anions. The two Fe–C–O angles at 175.5(4)° and 177.5(4)° are essentially linear in both anions. The quadrupole splitting for  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})]^-$  was determined to be 0.32 mm/s and the isomer shift was 0.18 mm/s at room temperature in zero applied field. Both of the Mössbauer parameters are much smaller than those found for six-coordinate low-spin iron(II) porphyrinates with neutral nitrogen-donating ligands as well as iron(II) nitro complexes. However, the Mössbauer parameters are typical of other six-coordinate CO porphyrinates signifying that CO is the more dominant ligand. The CO stretching frequency of 1974 cm<sup>-1</sup> is shifted only slightly to higher energy compared to six-coordinate CO complexes with neutral nitrogen-donor ligands trans to CO. Crystal data for  $[\text{K}(222)][\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})]^- \cdot 1/2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{Cl}$ : monoclinic, space group  $P2_1/c$ ,  $Z = 8$ ,  $a = 33.548(6)$  Å,  $b = 18.8172(15)$  Å,  $c = 27.187(2)$  Å,  $\beta = 95.240(7)^\circ$ ,  $V = 17091(4)$  Å<sup>3</sup>.

### Introduction

The binding of the diatomic molecules O<sub>2</sub>, CO, and NO to heme proteins is extremely important to mammalian physiology, while the binding of nitric oxide (NO), nitrite (NO<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>) and nitrate (NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>) to hemes is involved in important denitrification processes. Hence, the study of the bonding interaction between these biologically significant small molecules and others to hemes has been and continues to be an active area of research.<sup>1–3</sup> However, despite great advances in understanding the many biological functions of these molecules, there remains considerable

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**Supporting Information Available:** Tables S1–S6, giving complete crystallographic details, atomic coordinates, bond distances and angles, anisotropic temperature factors, and fixed hydrogen atom positions for  $[\text{K}(222)][\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})]^- \cdot 1/2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{Cl}$  and Figures of K(222) cations and complete labelled diagrams of the  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})]^-$  anions. (PDF). An X-ray crystallographic file, in CIF format, is available. This material is available free of charge via the Internet at <http://pubs.acs.org>.

controversy about the mechanisms and identities of possible intermediates involved in their numerous reactions. For instance, the discrimination in binding of O<sub>2</sub> over CO to hemes in respiration is not completely understood.<sup>4, 5</sup> In addition, it is proposed that many of the intermediates in the inorganic nitrogen cycle involve the interaction of hemes with small nitrogen containing molecules; the exact identities of several are only speculative. In a recent mechanistic study<sup>6</sup> of the reduction of nitrite to ammonia by cytochrome c nitrite reductase (ccNiR) it was proposed that the binding of nitrite to an iron(II) heme which starts the reaction cycle depends on the strong  $\pi$  bond between nitrite and iron(II). The  $\pi$  bond leads to a strong Fe–N bond and a weakened N–O bond which can be cleaved heterolytically. Hence, the nature of the bond between nitrite and iron is critically important to the activation of this enzyme. Clearly, gaining insight into the bonding interaction between these small molecules and hemes through structural and physical studies is of interest.

## Experimental Section

### General Information

All manipulations for the preparation of the iron(II) six-coordinate porphyrin derivatives (see below), were carried out under argon using a double-manifold vacuum line, Schlenkware and cannula techniques. Chlorobenzene was purified by washing with concentrated sulfuric acid, then with water until the aqueous layer was neutral, then dried with MgSO<sub>4</sub> and then distilled twice over P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>.<sup>29</sup> Hexanes were distilled from sodium/benzophenone. KNO<sub>2</sub> was recrystallized twice from hot distilled water, dried overnight at about 75°C and stored under argon. Kryptofix-222 (Aldrich) was recrystallized from benzene (distilled from sodium/benzophenone) and stored under argon in the dark. The free base, (H<sub>2</sub>TpivPP), and the corresponding iron(III) chloro and triflate derivatives were synthesized by literature methods.<sup>30,31</sup> UV-vis spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer Lambda 19 UV/vis/near-IR spectrometer and IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer Paragon 10000 FT-IR spectrometer as KBr pellets. Mössbauer measurements were performed on a constant acceleration spectrometer from 4.2 K to 300 K with optional small field and in a 9 T superconducting magnet system (Knox College). A sample of [K(222)][Fe(TpivPP)(NO<sub>2</sub>)(CO)]·1/2C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>Cl for Mössbauer spectroscopy was prepared by immobilization of the crystalline material (crystals not ground but washed with water under argon) in Apiezon M grease.

### Synthesis of [K(222)][Fe(TpivPP)(NO<sub>2</sub>)(CO)]·1/2C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>Cl

[Fe(TpivPP)(SO<sub>3</sub>CF<sub>3</sub>)-(H<sub>2</sub>O)] (20 mg, 0.016 mmol) and ~1 mL of zinc amalgam in 8 mL of chlorobenzene were stirred for about 1 hour under argon. The deep red solution of [Fe(TpivPP)] was filtered into a second solution prepared by stirring (overnight) 80 mg of Kryptofix-222 (0.2 mmol) and 185 mg of KNO<sub>2</sub> (2.2 mmol) in 7 mL of chlorobenzene. A stream of CO gas was passed (for about 15 min) through the dark red-yellow solution of the five-coordinate (nitro)iron(II) species, [Fe(TpivPP)(NO<sub>2</sub>)]<sup>−</sup>.<sup>20</sup> The color changes slightly to light red as a result of forming the six-coordinate product [Fe(TpivPP)(NO<sub>2</sub>)(CO)]<sup>−</sup>. Single crystals of this complex were prepared by slow diffusion of hexanes into the chlorobenzene solution. UV-vis in C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>Cl:  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ , nm (log  $\epsilon$ ); 414 (sh) (4.67); 434 (5.30); 546 (3.98). IR (KBr):  $\nu(\text{CO})$  1974 (m) cm<sup>−1</sup>;  $\nu(\text{NO}_2^-)$  1383

## Results

Reaction of the five-coordinate iron(II) species, [Fe(TpivPP)(NO<sub>2</sub>)]<sup>−</sup>, with CO or *tert*-butyl isocyanide gives the new anionic, six-coordinate iron(II) complexes [Fe(TpivPP)(NO<sub>2</sub>)(CO)]<sup>−</sup> and [Fe(TpivPP)(NO<sub>2</sub>)(*t*-BuNC)]<sup>−</sup>. Care must be taken to eliminate halide impurities that are known to coordinate strongly to iron(II) species. Hence, chlorobenzene was washed with concentrated sulfuric acid and Kryptofix-222 and KNO<sub>2</sub> were recrystallized. The two six-

coordinate species were characterized in solution with UV-visible spectroscopy using a specialized inert-atmosphere cell with 1 and 10-mm path lengths. Crystalline anionic iron porphyrinates were obtained as potassium-(Kryptofix-222) salts. Both species were characterized by infrared spectroscopy. The carbonyl stretching frequency for  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})]^-$  appears at  $1974\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . The C–N stretch is at  $2101\text{ cm}^{-1}$  for  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(t\text{-BuNC})]^-$ . The solid-state Mössbauer quadrupole splitting,  $\Delta E_Q$ , for  $[\text{K}(222)][\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})] \cdot 1/2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{Cl}$  was found to be  $0.32\text{ mm/s}$  and the isomer shift,  $\delta$ , was  $0.18\text{ mm/s}$  at room temperature in zero applied field.

## Discussion

Over the past several years, we have synthesized a number of (nitro)iron(II) porphyrin species. The successful syntheses of these complexes results from the strategic use of picket fence porphyrin and cryptate (or macrocyclic crown ether) cations. The five-coordinate anionic iron (II) nitrite species,  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)]^-$ , is prepared by addition of cryptand-solubilized  $\text{KNO}_2$  to the highly air-sensitive four-coordinate species  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})]$ . All of the characterized six-coordinate (nitro)iron(II) species result from the anaerobic addition of gaseous NO or CO or by addition of excess neutral ligand such as pyridine, pentamethylene sulfide, or *t*-butyl isocyanide to  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)]^-$  in solution. As shown by electronic spectroscopy, all of these six-coordinate species persist in solution under anaerobic conditions. In fact, the spectroscopic characterization of  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)]^-$  and the resulting six-coordinate species  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{L})]^-$  was our first indication that nitrite is a very unusual ligand. We begin our discussion with the effects of the ligands  $\text{NO}_2^-$  and CO on the electronic spectrum.

The electronic spectrum of  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)]^-$  has a Soret band at 444 nm. As can be seen from the electronic spectral data summarized in Table 2, this 444 nm Soret band for low-spin five-coordinate  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)]^-$  is strongly red-shifted compared to all of the other five- or six-coordinate iron(nitro) species thus far characterized. It is also strongly red-shifted compared to the spectrum of five-coordinate  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TPP})(\text{CO})]$ . The addition of a neutral ligand such as PMS or pyridine to  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)]^-$  causes the Soret band to blue shift by more than 10 nm. A similar blue shift in the Soret occurs upon addition of NO to the five-coordinate nitrite species. The Soret band at 407 nm for the low-spin, five-coordinate species  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO})]$  is very blue shifted compared to  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)]^-$ . So what shift in the position of the Soret band should one expect when CO is added trans to nitrite? Probably the most well-known porphyrin CO-related spectroscopic change occurs when CO is added to five-coordinate high-spin thiolate hemes. These are the P450-type porphyrin derivatives, so-called because of the intense red-shifted Soret band at  $\sim 450\text{ nm}$ . A small red shift is also seen when a CO ligand is added to the five-coordinate  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TPP})(\text{CO})]$  species to give  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TPP})(\text{CO})_2]$ .

The average equatorial Fe–N<sub>p</sub> bond length for  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})]^-$  (**1**) is  $1.992(7)\text{ \AA}$  and for  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})]^-$  (**2**) is  $1.997(6)\text{ \AA}$ . These average bond lengths are the same as those found for the six-coordinate nitro species  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{PMS})]^-$ ,<sup>22</sup>  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{Py})]^-$ ,<sup>22</sup> and  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{NO})]^-$ .<sup>21</sup> The average distance for these six-coordinate species is  $0.02\text{ \AA}$  longer than in the five-coordinate nitro species,  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)]^-$ . It is also slightly shorter (by  $0.01\text{ \AA}$ ) than the Fe–N<sub>p</sub> bond length average of other CO complexes (confer Table 3).

The iron–axial ligand bond lengths are sensitive to bonding changes and the largest structural changes occur upon coordination of a sixth ligand. The Fe–N(NO<sub>2</sub>) bond lengths for  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})]^-$  (**1**) and  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})]^-$  (**2**) are  $2.006(4)\text{ \AA}$  and  $2.009(4)\text{ \AA}$ , respectively. These are  $0.16\text{ \AA}$  longer than the Fe–N(NO<sub>2</sub>) bond length

## Supplementary Material

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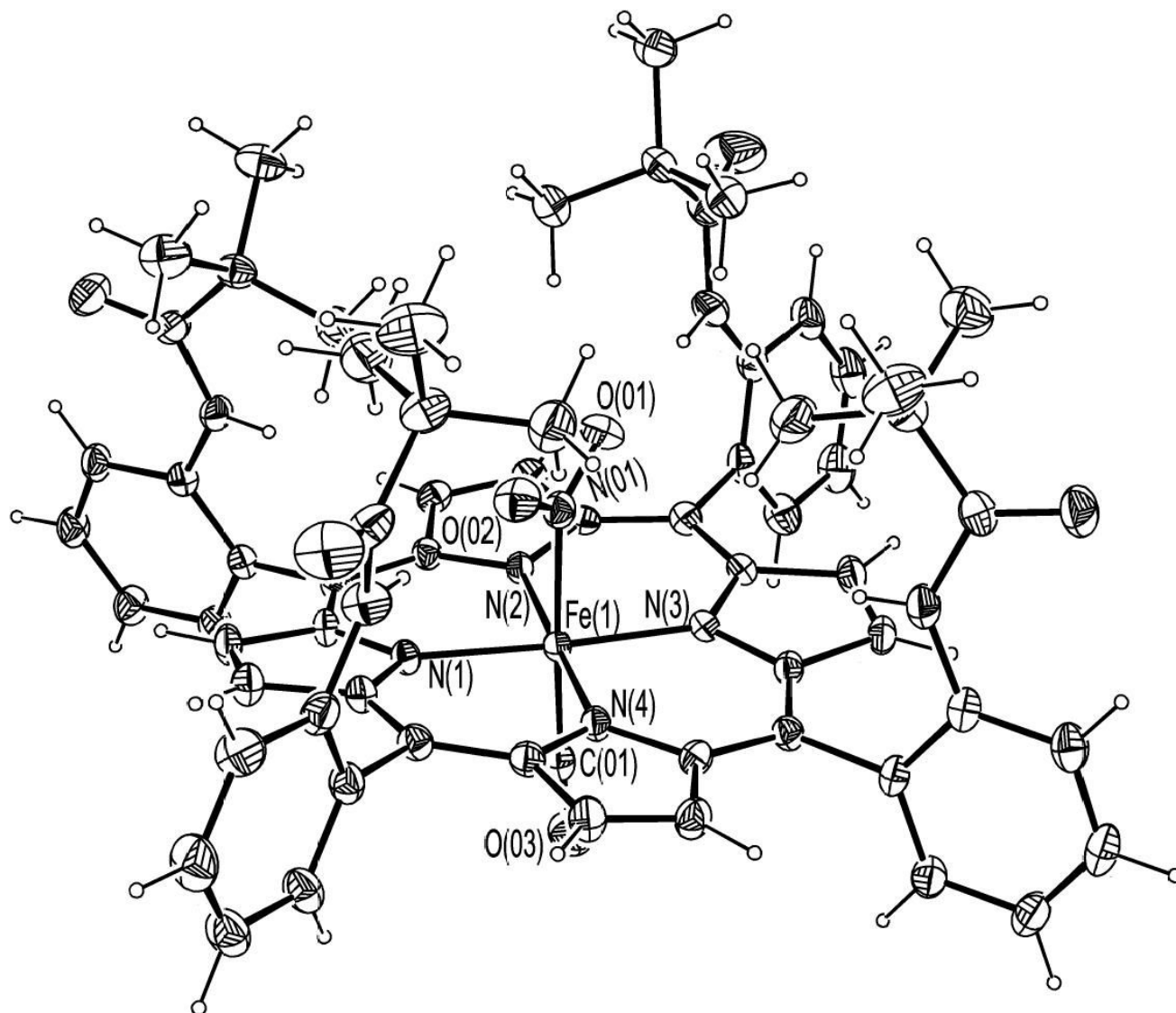
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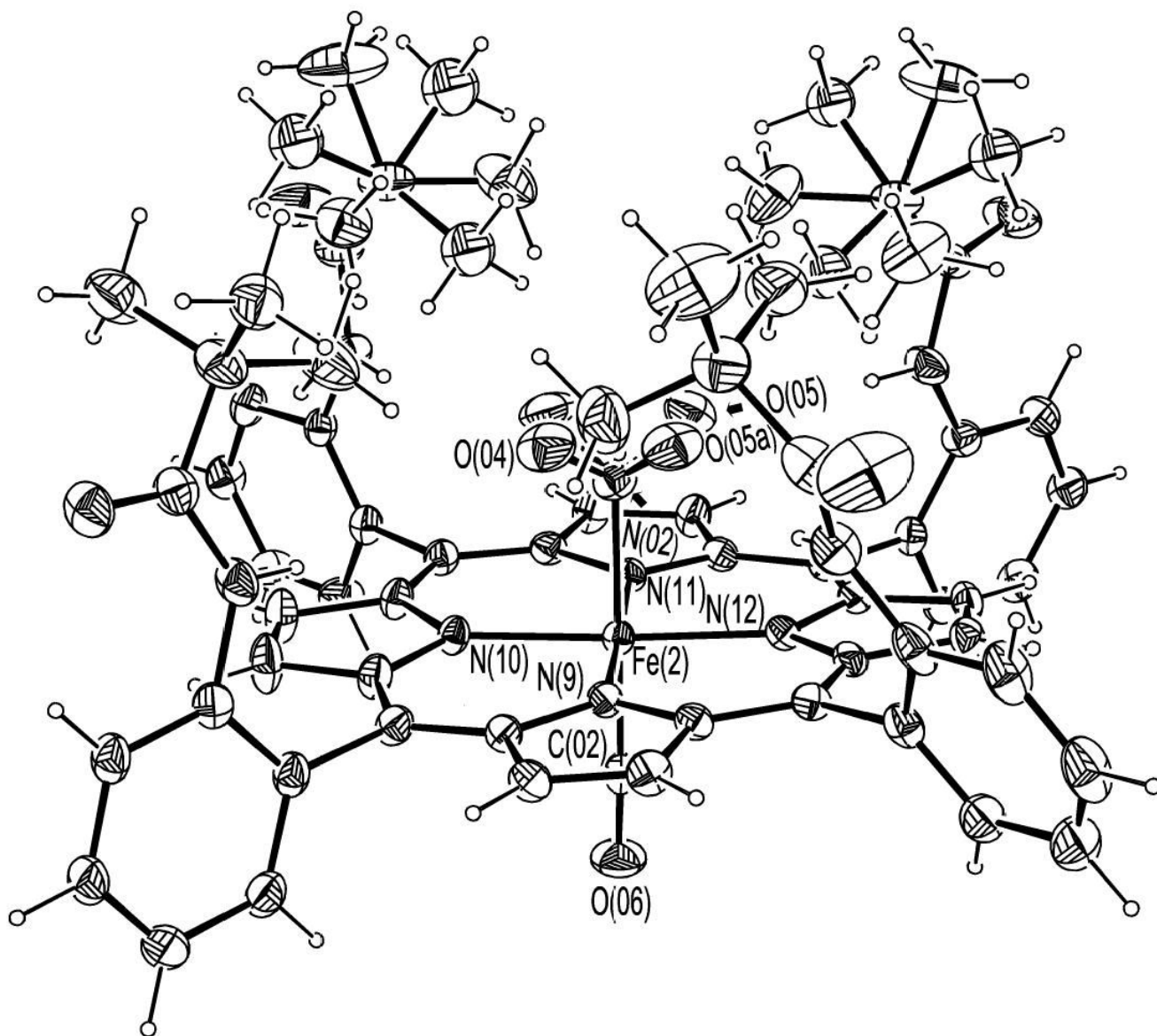
porphyrin; TPpiv<sub>2</sub>C<sub>12</sub>P, dianion of 5,15-[2,2'-(dodecanediamido)diphenyl]- $\alpha,\alpha$ -10,20-bis(*o*-pivaloylaminophenyl)porphyrin;  $\beta$ -PocpivP, dianion of "pocket" porphyrin; C<sub>2</sub>-Cap and C<sub>3</sub>-Cap, dianion of "capped" porphyrins; OC<sub>3</sub>OPor, dianion of "benzene capped" porphyrin; PMS, pentamethylene sulfide; Py, pyridine; THT, tetrahydrothio-phene; THF, tetrahydrofuran; HIm, imidazole; 1-MeIm, 1-methylimidazole; 2-MeHIm, 2-methylimidazole; 1,2-Me<sub>2</sub>Im, 1,2-dimethylimidazole; 4-NMe<sub>2</sub>Py, 4-N-dimethylamino-pyridine; Pip, piperidine; 4-MePip, 4-methylpiperidine; Pz, pyrazole; 1-VinIm, 1-vinyl-imidazole; 1-BzlIm, 1-benzylimidazole; 1-AcIm, 1-acetylimidazole; Iz, indazole (benzo-pyrazole); SC<sub>6</sub>HF<sub>4</sub>, 2,3,5,6-tetrafluorophenyl thiolate; SPh, phenyl thiolate; PMe<sub>3</sub>, trimethyl phosphine; Kryptofix-222 or 222, 4,7,13,16,21,24-hexaoxo-1,10-diazabicyclo-[8.8.8]hexacosane; N<sub>p</sub>, porphyrinato nitrogen.

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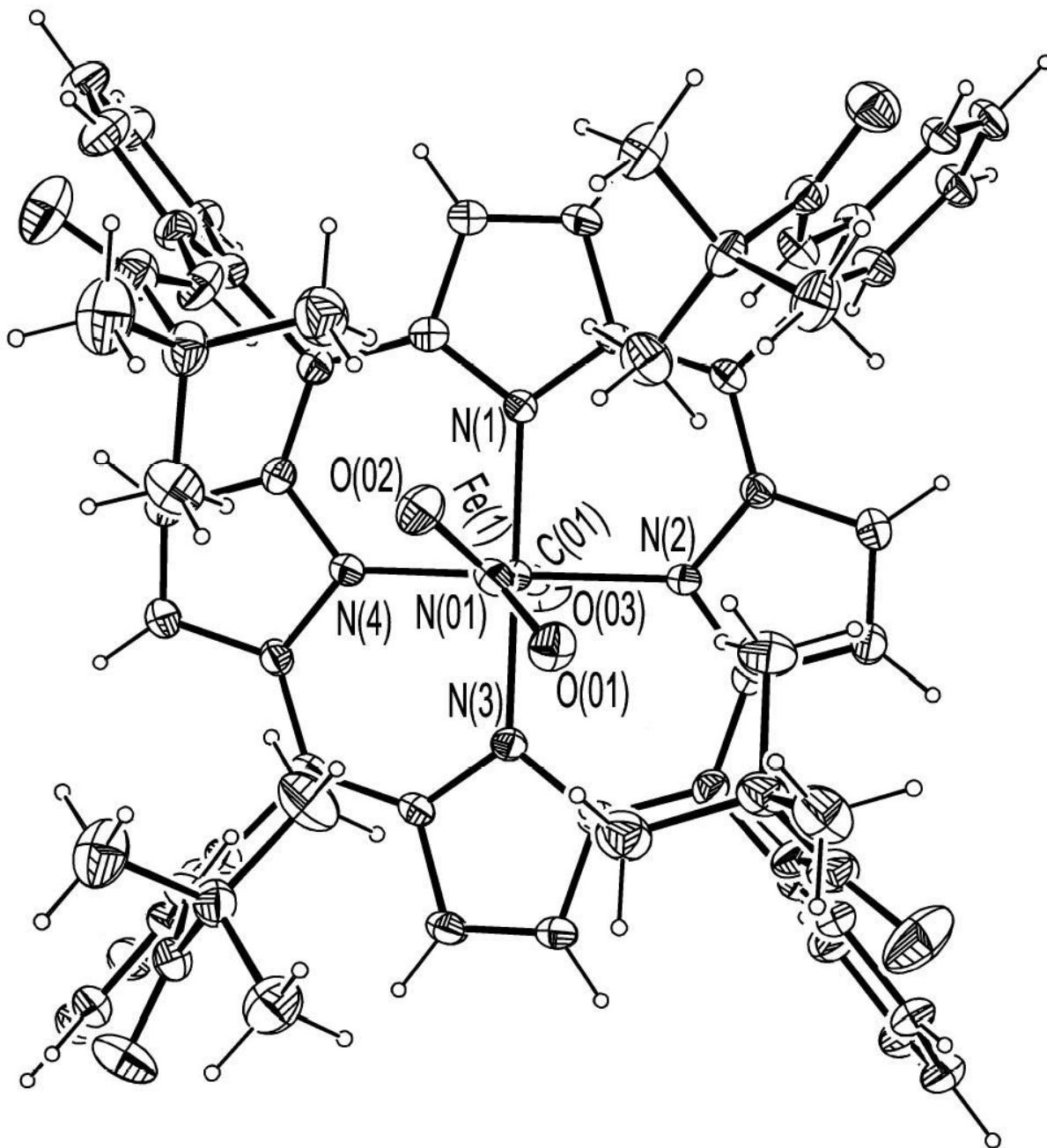


**Figure 1.** ORTEP diagram of  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})]^-$  (1) showing the coordination at iron. 50% probability ellipsoids are depicted.

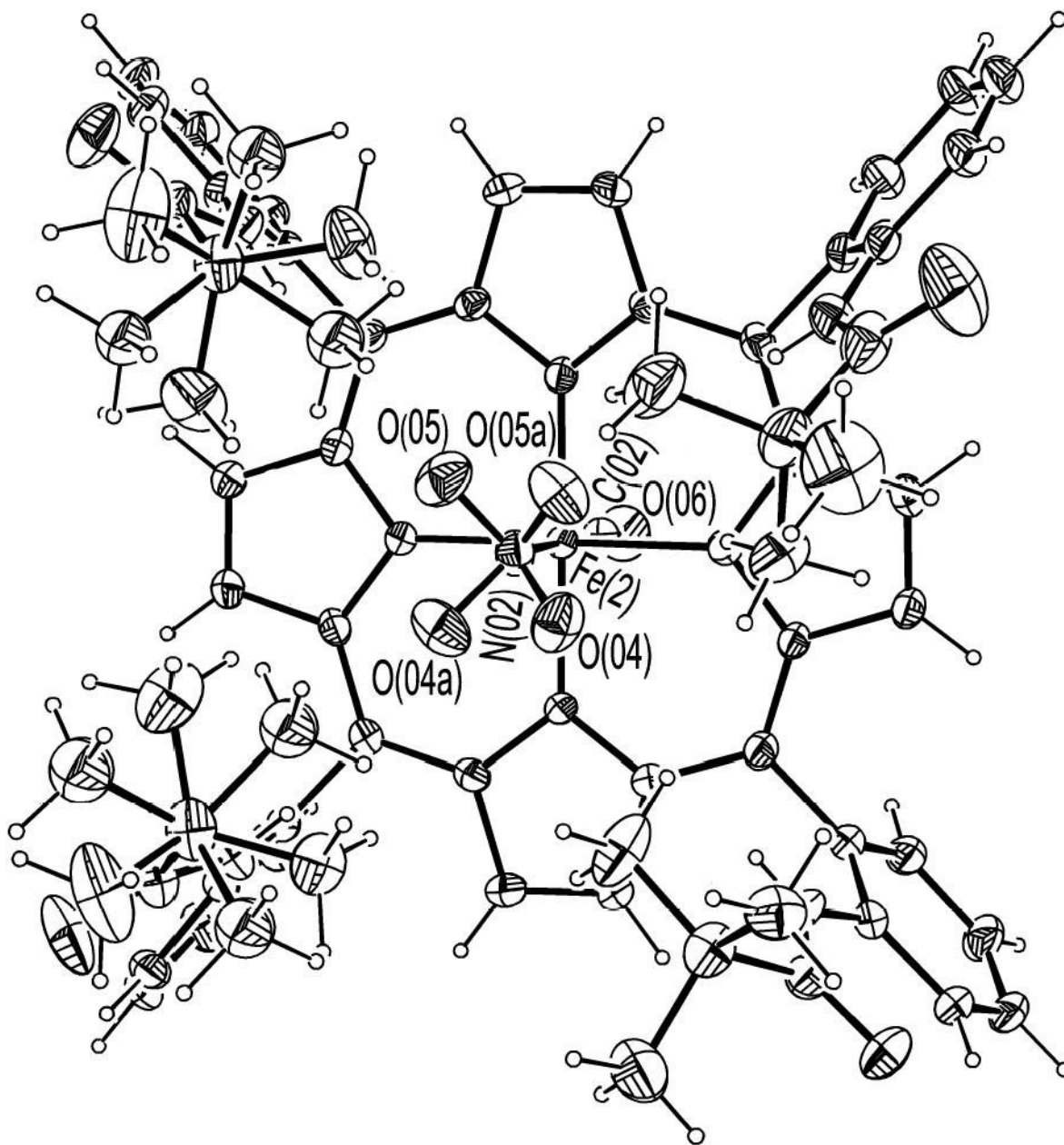


**Figure 2.** ORTEP diagram of [Fe(TpivPP)(NO<sub>2</sub>)(CO)]<sup>-</sup>(2). 50% probability ellipsoids are depicted. The rotational disorder in the nitro group and the pivalamide groups are shown.

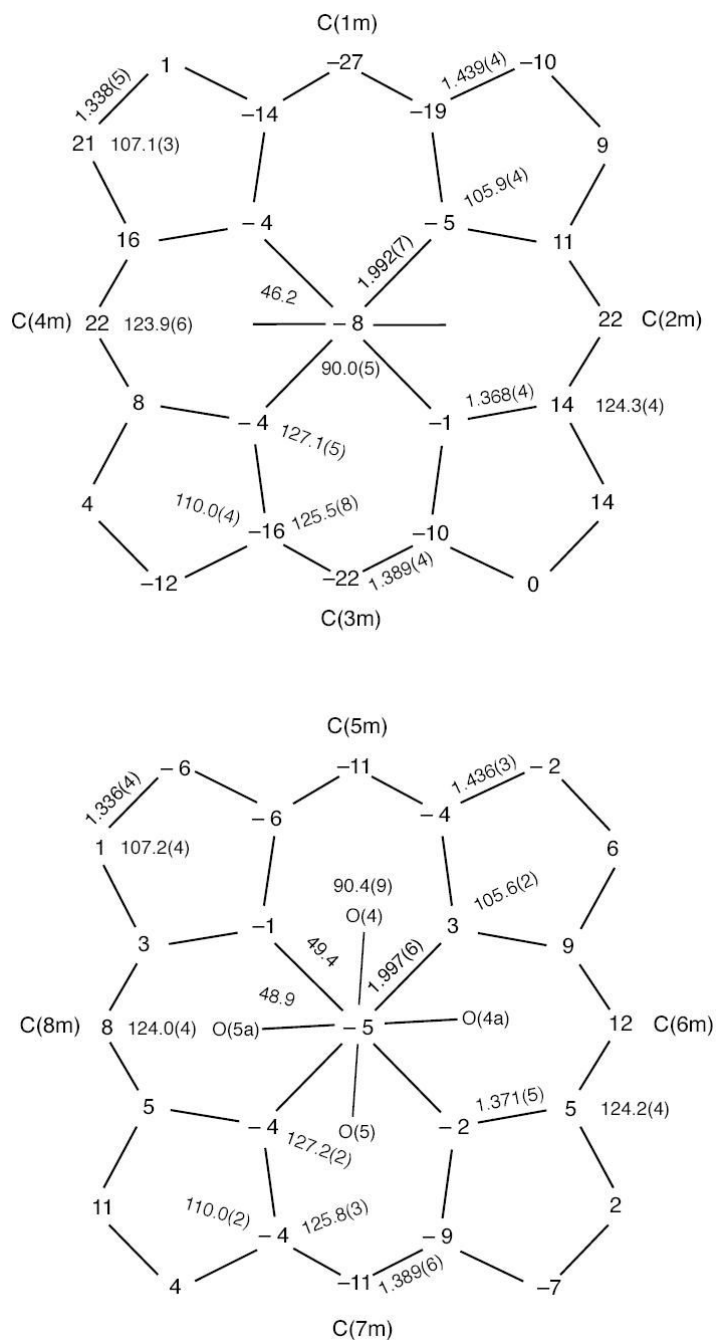




**Figure 3.**  
ORTEP diagram of [Fe(TpivPP)(NO<sub>2</sub>)(CO)]<sup>-</sup> (1) looking down on the porphyrin plane.

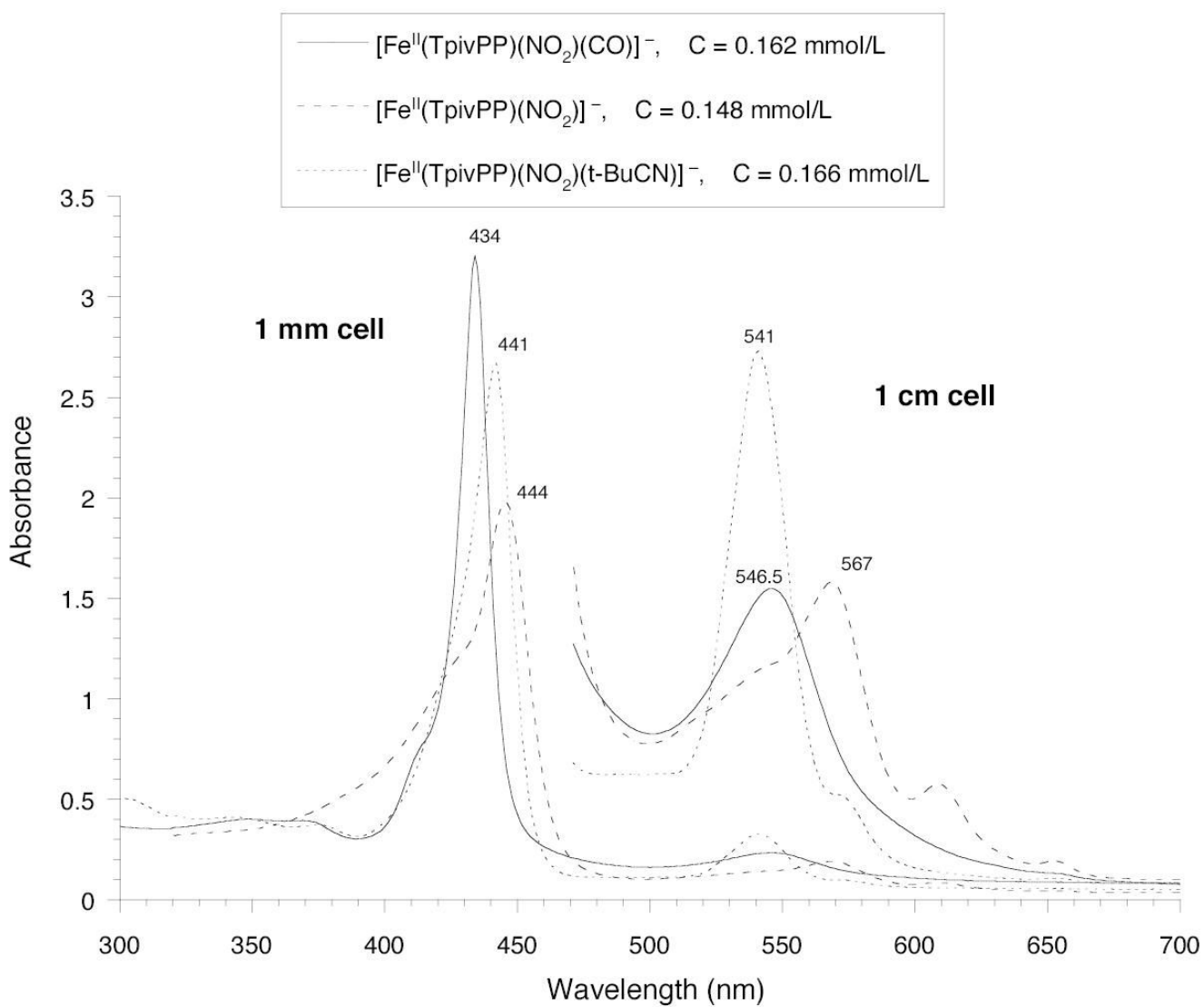


**Figure 4.** ORTEP diagram of [Fe(TpivPP)(NO<sub>2</sub>)(CO)]<sup>-</sup> (2) looking down on the porphyrin plane.

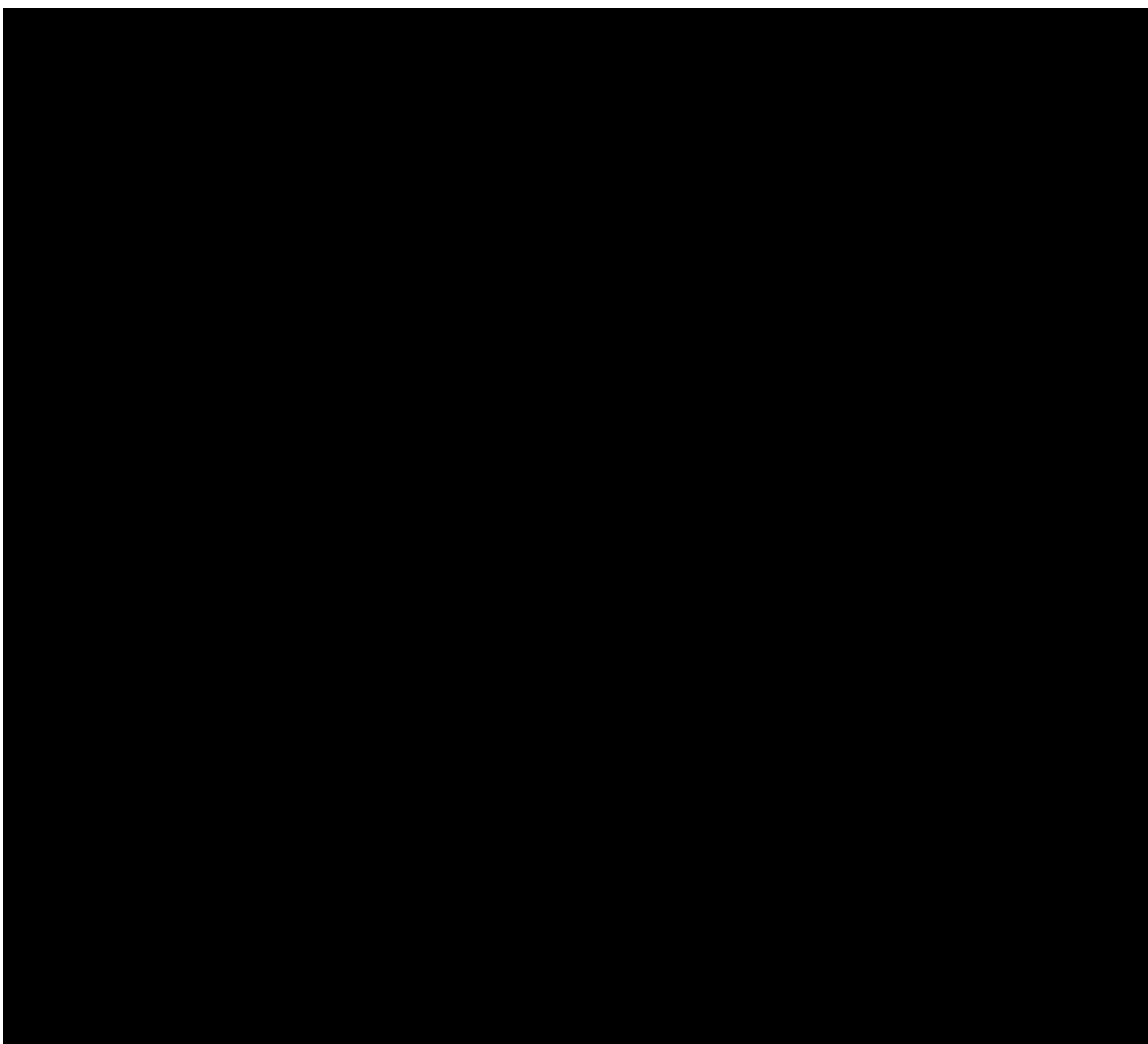


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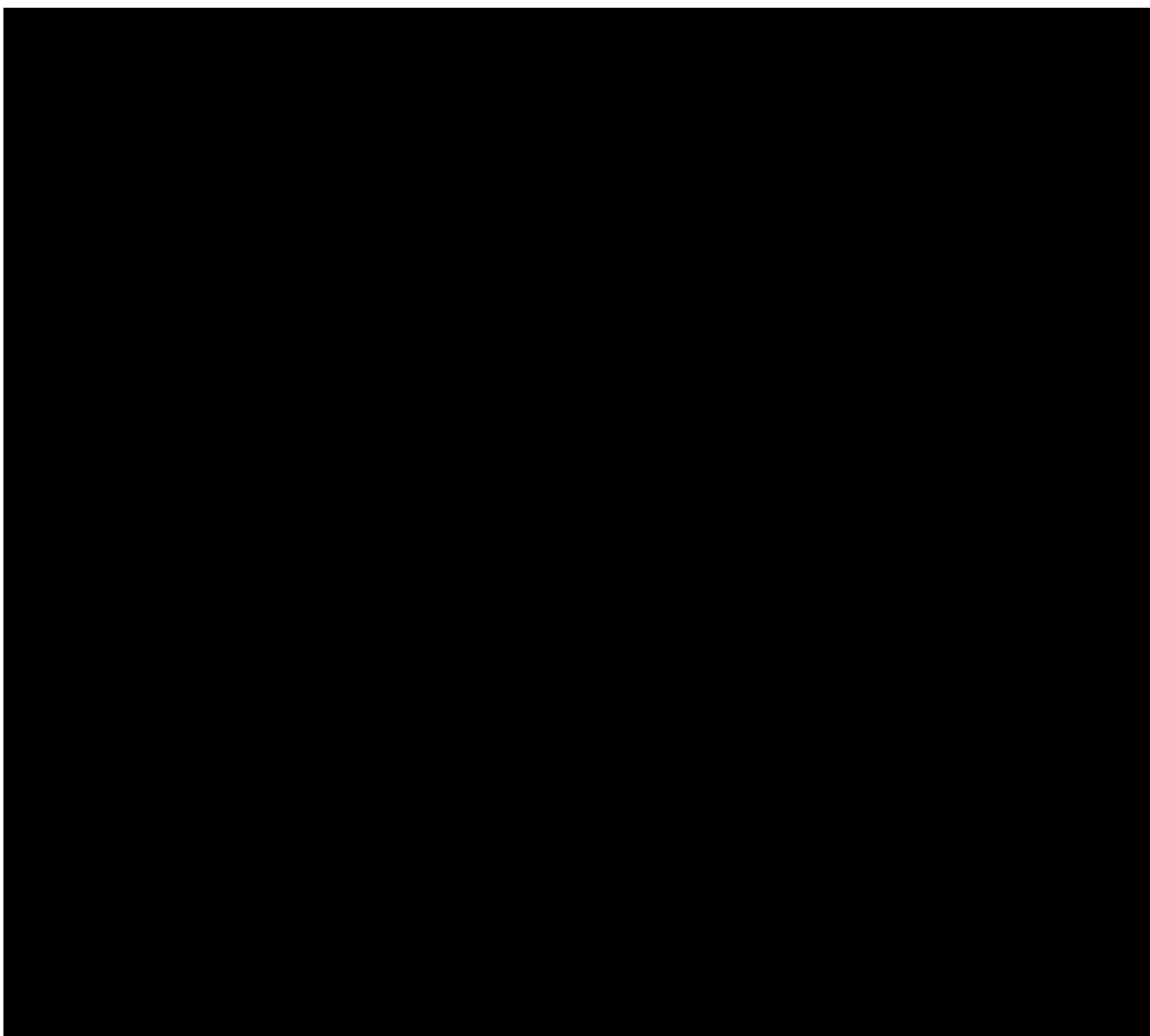
Formal diagrams of the porphyrinato cores of  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})]^-$  (**1**) (top) and  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})]^-$  (**2**) (bottom). Illustrated are the displacements of each atom from the mean plane of the 24-atom porphyrin cores in units of 0.01 Å. Positive values of displacement are toward the  $\text{NO}_2$  ligand in each anion. The major orientation (54%) of the nitrite in anion **2** is the horizontal orientation. The diagram also gives the averaged values of each distinct bond distance and angle in the porphyrinato cores.



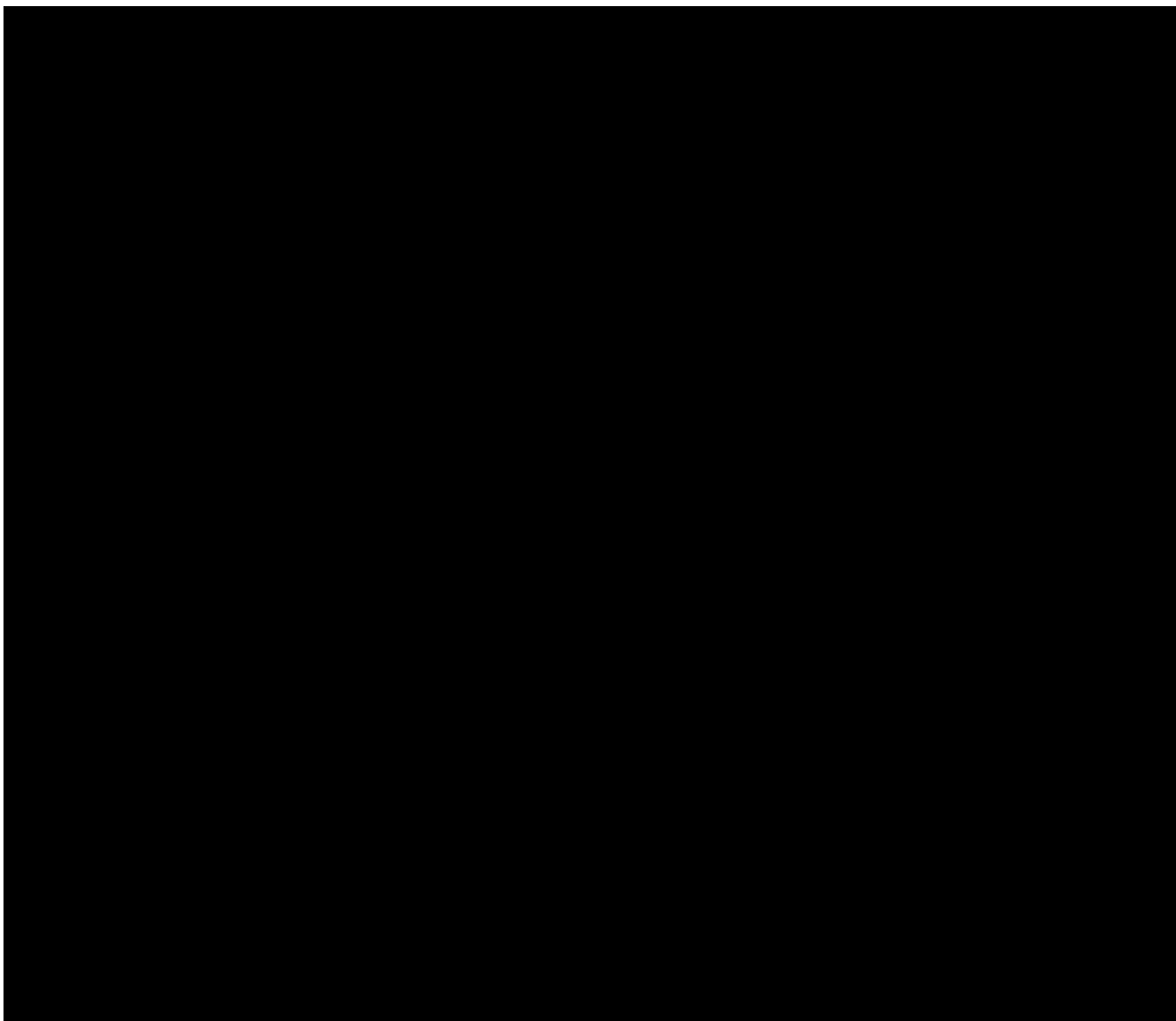
**Figure 6.** UV-vis spectra of  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)]^-$ ,  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})]^-$ , and  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(t\text{-BuNC})]^-$  taken under argon in chlorobenzene.



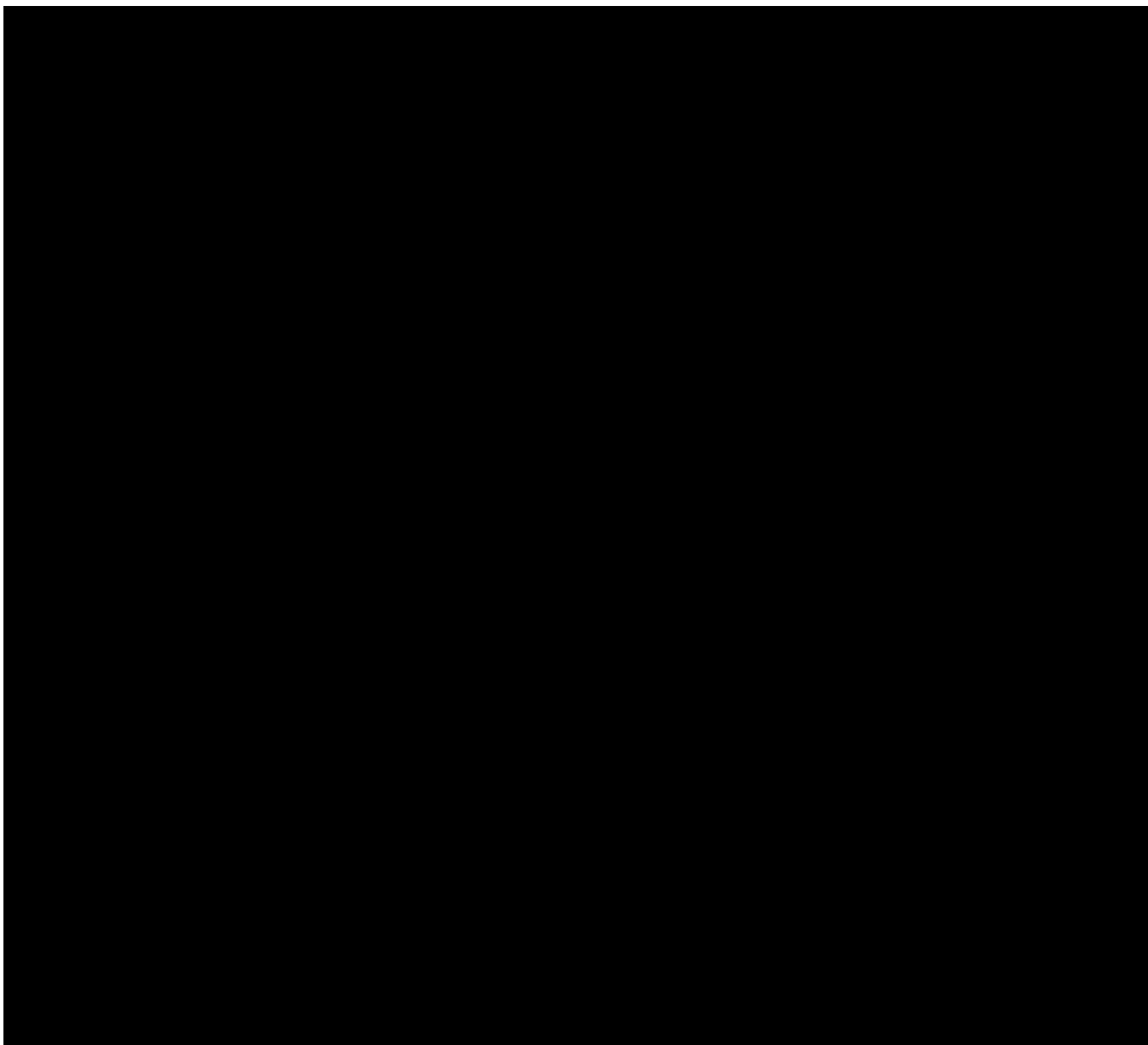
**Figure S1.**  
ORTEP diagram of the K(222) cryptand, cation **1**.



**Figure S2.**  
ORTEP diagram of the K(222) cryptand, cation **2**.

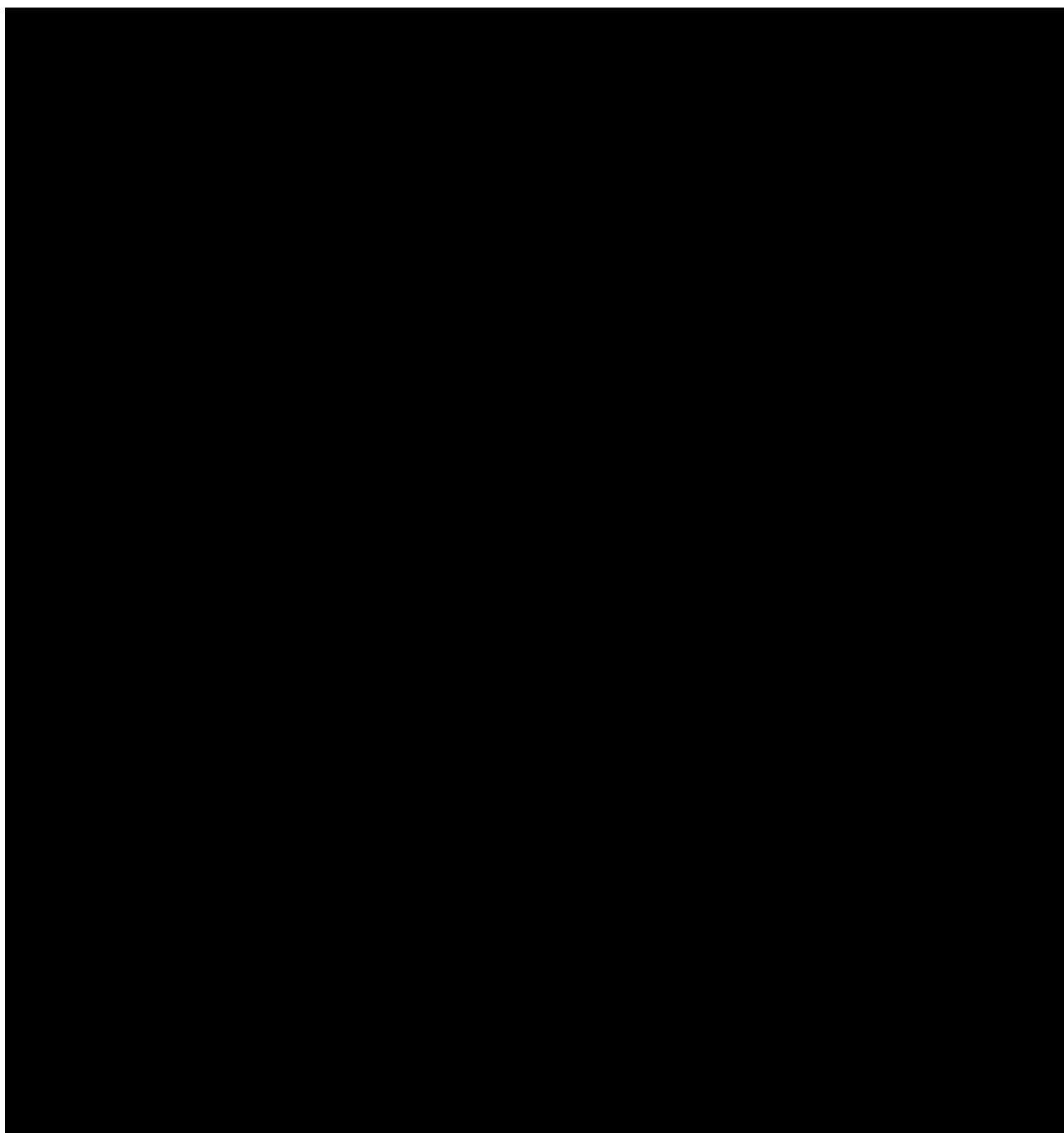


**Figure S3.** ORTEP diagram of  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})]^-$  (**1**) showing the coordination at iron. 50% probability ellipsoids are depicted and all atomic label are given.

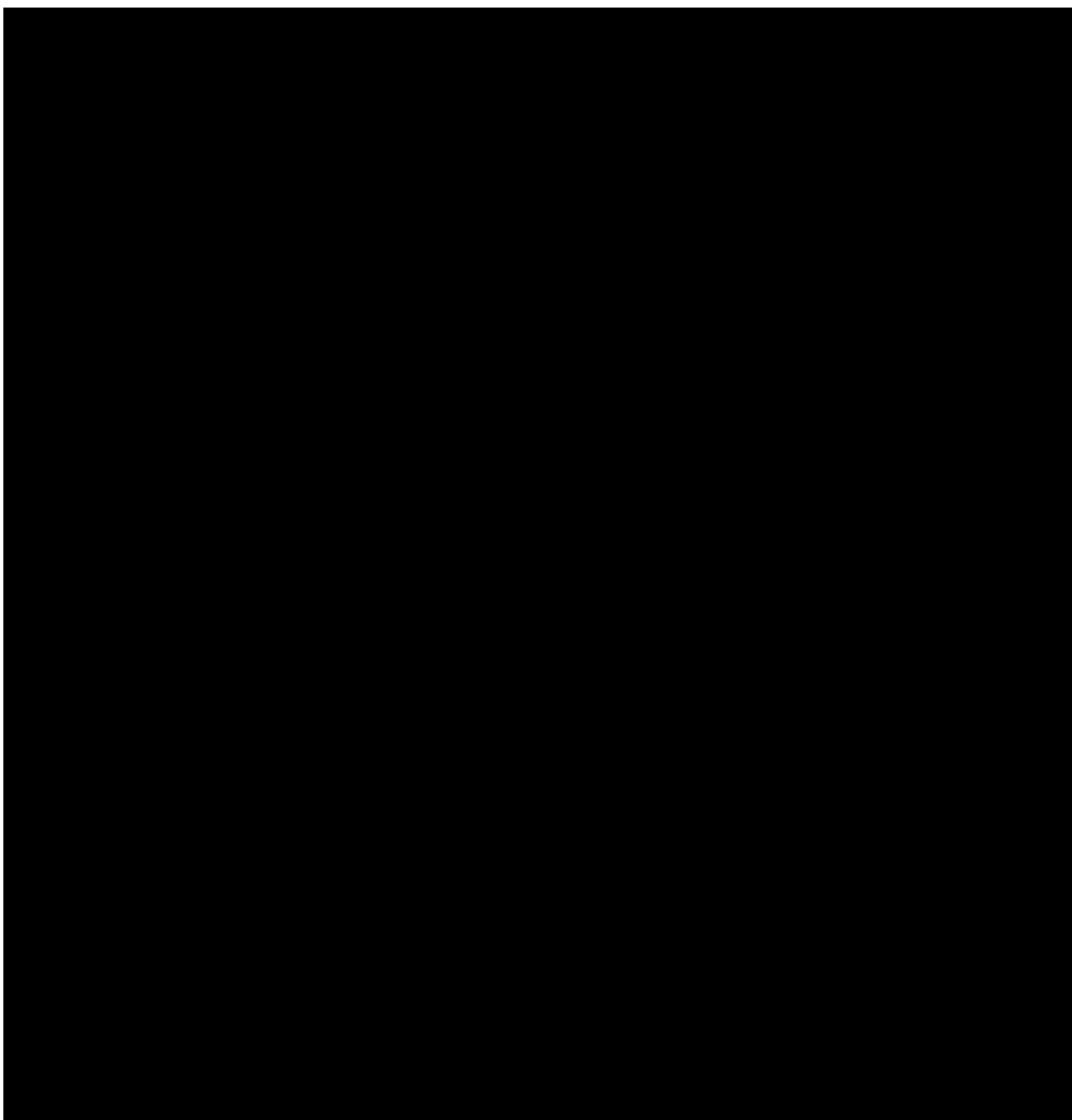


**Figure S4.** ORTEP diagram of  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})]^-$  (**2**). 50% probability ellipsoids are depicted. The rotational disorder in the nitro group and the pivalamide groups are shown.





**Figure S5.**  
ORTEP of  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})]^-$  (**1**) looking down on the porphyrin plane.



**Figure S6.**  
ORTEP of  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})]^-$  (**2**) looking down on the porphyrin plane.

**Table 1**  
 Crystallographic details for [K(222)][Fe(TpivPP)(NO<sub>2</sub>)(CO)]·1/2C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>Cl

formula	C <sub>89</sub> H <sub>105</sub> ClFeKN <sub>11</sub> O <sub>13</sub>
FW	1667.24
<i>a</i> , Å	33.548(6)
<i>b</i> , Å	18.8172(15)
<i>c</i> , Å	27.187(2)
β, deg	95.240(7)
<i>V</i> , Å <sup>3</sup>	17091(4)
<i>Z</i>	8
space group	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i>
<i>D<sub>c</sub></i> , g/cm <sup>3</sup>	1.296
<i>F</i> (000)	7056
μ, mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.325
crystal dimens, mm	0.24 × 0.12 × 0.08
absorption correction	DIFABS
λ, Å	0.71073
<i>T</i> , K	130(2)
total data colld	52417
unique data	32440 ( <i>R</i> <sub>int</sub> = 0.0759)
unique obsd data [ <i>I</i> > 2 σ( <i>I</i> )]	21632
refinement method	on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup> (SHELXL)
final <i>R</i> indices [ <i>I</i> > 2 σ( <i>I</i> )]	<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> = 0.0775, <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> = 0.1850
final <i>R</i> indices [for all data]	<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> = 0.1224, <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> = 0.2200

**Table 2**  
Electronic Spectral Data for Selected Iron(II) and Iron(III) Tetraarylporphyrins <sup>a</sup>

Complex	Soret region (log ε)	λ <sub>max</sub> (nm)		α, β region (log ε)	ref.	
Five-Coordinate Iron(II)						
[Fe(TPP)(NO)] <sub>b</sub>	406 (4.97)	475(sh)	538 (4.00)	604 (3.45)	36	
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO)] <sup>c</sup>	407 (5.15)	477 (sh) (4.35)	539 (4.12)	607 (3.62)	25	
[Fe(TMP)(NO)] <sup>d</sup>	408 (4.96)	477(sh)	539 (3.04)	611 (3.84)	37	
[Fe(TPP)(CO)] <sub>e</sub>	419		537	570	~610	38
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )] <sup>c</sup>	433(sh) (4.94)	444 (5.12)	543 (sh) (3.89)	567 (4.02)	608 (3.59)	20, 22
Six-Coordinate Iron(II) Nitro						
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )(CO)] <sup>-c</sup>	414 (sh) (4.67)	434 (5.30)	546 (3.98)			tw
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )( <i>t</i> -BuNC)] <sup>-c</sup>		441 (5.52)	541 (4.20)	572 (3.45)		tw
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )(NO)] <sup>-c</sup>		433 (5.17)	543 (4.14)			21
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )(Py)] <sup>-c</sup>	413(sh) (4.83)	430 (5.23)	533 (4.21)	560 (sh) (3.66)	653 (2.83)	22
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )(PMS)] <sup>-c</sup>	418(sh) (4.88)	432 (5.07)	537 (4.18)	558 (sh) (3.81)	653 (3.12)	22
Six-Coordinate Iron(II) Other						
[Fe(TPP)(1-MeIm)(NO)] <sub>b</sub>	415 (5.26)	460 (4.26)	545 (3.99)	580 (sh) (3.78)	643 (3.05)	39
[Fe(TPP)(4-NMe <sub>2</sub> Py)(NO)] <sup>d</sup>	416		554	586		40
[Fe(TPP)(1-MeIm)(NO)] <sup>d</sup>	416		543	583	641	40
[Fe(TPP)(4-MePip)(NO)] <sup>d</sup>	417	463	554	591		40
[Fe(TPP)(1-VinIm) <sub>2</sub> ] <sup>d</sup>	424 (5.22)		533 (4.24)	564 (3.67)		41
[Fe(TPP)(1-BzIm) <sub>2</sub> ] <sup>d</sup>	426 (5.23)		533 (4.24)	565 (3.63)		41
[Fe(TPP)(1-AcIm) <sub>2</sub> ] <sup>d</sup>	422 (5.14)		533 (3.99)	563 (3.62)		41
[Fe(TPP)(1-MeIm) <sub>2</sub> ] <sup>d</sup>	425 (5.09)		533 (4.26)	564 (3.75)		41
[Fe(TpivPP)(1-MeIm) <sub>2</sub> ] <sup>c</sup>	430		536			42
[Fe(TpivPP)(1-MeIm) <sub>2</sub> ] <sup>e</sup>	432 (5.36)		537 (4.32)	562(sh)		43
[Fe(TpivPP)(Im <sup>-</sup> )(HIm)] <sup>-c</sup>	442 (4.00)		544 (3.47)			44
[Fe(TPP)(1-MeIm)(CO)] <sup>e</sup>	427 (5.50)		542 (3.95)			43
[Fe(TPP)(1-MeIm)(CO)] <sup>d</sup>	422		544			45
[Fe(TpivPP)(1-MeIm)(CO)] <sup>c</sup>	425		542			42
[Fe(TPP)(CO) <sub>2</sub> ] <sup>e</sup>	426		551	578		38
Iron(II) Thiolates						
[Fe(TpivPP)(SEt)] <sup>-c</sup>	421		533	575	625	46
[Fe(TpivPP)(SEt)(CO)] <sup>-c</sup>	392,467		565	612		46
[Fe(TpivPP)(SPh)] <sup>-c</sup>	421		536	575	625	46

Complex	Soret region (log $\epsilon$ )	$\lambda_{\max}$ (nm)		$\alpha, \beta$ region (log $\epsilon$ )	ref.
[Fe(TpivPP)(SPh)(CO)] <sup>-c</sup>	403,464	555	605		46
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ] <sup>-c</sup>	364(sh) 426 (5.11)	Six-Coordinate Iron(III) Nitro 464(sh) 553 (4.15)			23
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )(Py)] <sup>c</sup>	422 (5.26)	459 (sh)	550 (4.11)		24
[Fe(TPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )(NO)] <sup>b</sup>	433 (5.34)	510 (sh) (3.70)	545 (4.20)	577 (sh) (3.70)	47
[Fe(Tp-OCH <sub>3</sub> PP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )(NO)] <sup>c</sup>	437		549	586	26
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )(NO)] <sup>e</sup>	433	543	581		26

<sup>a</sup> All spectra were taken at 25°C.

<sup>b</sup> Chloroform solution.

<sup>c</sup> Chlorobenzene solution.

<sup>d</sup> Dichloromethane solution.

<sup>e</sup> Toluene solution.

**Table 3**  
Bond Distances (Å) for (Nitro)iron Porphyrin Derivatives

Iron(II) Complex	Fe-N <sub>p</sub>	Fe-N <sub>NO<sub>2</sub></sub>	Fe-L	ref.
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )(CO)] <sup>-</sup> (1)	1.992 (7)	2.006 (4)	1.782 (4)	tw <sup>a</sup>
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )(CO)] <sup>-</sup> (2)	1.997 (6)	2.009 (4)	1.789 (5)	tw
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )] <sup>-</sup>	1.970 (4)	1.849 (6)		20,22
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )(PMS)] <sup>-</sup>	1.990 (6)	1.937 (3)	2.380 (2)	22
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )(Py)] <sup>-</sup>	1.990 (15)	1.951 (5)	2.032 (5)	22
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )(NO)] <sup>-b</sup>	1.988 (6)	2.086 (8)	1.792 (8)	21
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )(NO)] <sup>-c</sup>	1.986 (6)	2.060 (7)	1.840 (6)	21
Iron(III) Complex				
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )(HIm)]	1.974 (2)	1.949 (10)	2.037 (10)	24
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )(Py)]	1.985 (3)	1.960 (5)	2.093 (5)	24
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ] <sup>-</sup>	1.992 (1)	1.970 (5)	2.001 (6)	23
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )(SC <sub>6</sub> HF <sub>4</sub> )] <sup>-</sup>	1.980 (7)	1.990 (7)	2.277 (2)	25
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )(NO)] <sup>d</sup>	2.000 (5)	2.002 (2)	1.668 (2)	26
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )(NO)] <sup>e</sup>	1.996 (4)	1.998 (2)	1.671 (2)	26

<sup>a</sup>This work.

<sup>b</sup>⊥ form.

<sup>c</sup>|| form.

<sup>d</sup>C<sub>2</sub>/c form.

<sup>e</sup>P2<sub>1</sub>/n form.

**Table 4**  
Bond Parameters for (Carbonmonoxy)iron Porphyrin Derivatives

Complex	Fe-N <sub>p</sub> <sup>a</sup>	Fe-C(CO) <sup>a</sup>	Fe-L <sup>a</sup>	Fe-C-O <sup>b</sup>	C-O <sup>a</sup>	ref.
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )(CO)] <sup>-</sup> (1)	1.992 (7)	1.782 (4)	2.006 (4)	175.5 (4)	1.150 (5)	tw <sup>c</sup>
[Fe(TpivPP)(NO <sub>2</sub> )(CO)] <sup>-</sup> (2)	1.997 (6)	1.789 (5)	2.009 (4)	177.5 (4)	1.140 (5)	tw
[Fe(TPP)(Py)(CO)]	2.02 (3)	1.77 (2)	2.10 (1)	179 (2)	1.12 (2)	10
[Fe(Deut)(THF)(CO)]	1.98 (3)	1.706 (5)	2.127 (4)	178.3 (14)	1.144 (5)	13
[Fe(TPP)(SEt)(CO)]	1.993 (4)	1.78 (1)	2.352 (2)	NR	1.17 (1)	14
[Fe(TPP)(1-MeIm)(CO)]	1.999 (7)	1.756 (2)	2.059 (1)	178.91 (17)	1.147 (2)	<i>d</i>
	2.003 (5)	1.793 (3)	2.071 (2)	179.3 (3)	1.061 (3)	11
[Fe(OEP)(1-MeIm)(CO)]	2.000 (3)	1.744 (5)	2.077 (3)	175.1 (4)	1.158 (5)	12
[Fe(TPpiv <sub>2</sub> C <sub>12</sub> P)(1-MeIm)(CO)]	1.999 (3)	1.728 (6)	2.062 (5)	~180	1.149 (6)	15
[Fe(β-PocpivP)(1,2-Me <sub>2</sub> Im)(CO)]	1.973 (8)	1.768 (7)	2.079 (5)	172.5 (6)	1.148 (7)	16
[Fe(C <sub>2</sub> -Cap)(1-MeIm)(CO)]	1.990 (7)	1.742 (7)	2.043 (6)	172.9 (6)	1.161 (8)	17
	1.988 (13)	1.748 (7)	2.041 (5)	175.9 (6)	1.158 (8)	17
[Fe(OC <sub>3</sub> OPor)(1-MeIm)(CO)]	1.996 (12)	1.748 (7)	2.027 (5)	173.9 (9)	1.171 (8)	18
[Fe(OC <sub>3</sub> OPor)(1,2-Me <sub>2</sub> Im)(CO)]	2.00 (2)	1.713 (8)	2.102 (6)	180 <sup>e</sup>	1.161 (10)	18
[Fe(C <sub>3</sub> -Cap)(1-MeIm)(CO)]	1.99 (2)	1.800 (13)	2.046 (10)	178.0 (13)	1.107 (13)	19

<sup>a</sup>Value in Å

<sup>b</sup>Value in degrees.

<sup>c</sup>This work.

<sup>d</sup>An, J.; Beatty, A.; Scheidt, W. R., unpublished result.

<sup>e</sup>Required by symmetry.

**Table 5**  
Solid-State Mössbauer Parameters for  $[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})]^-$  and Related Complexes

	$\Delta E_Q$ , mm/s	$\delta_{\text{Fe}}$ , mm/s	T, K	ref
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{CO})]^-$	0.32	0.18	293	tw <sup>a</sup>
	0.28	0.28	15	tw
Iron(II) Complexes				
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TMP})(\text{Py})_2]$	1.24	0.45	4.2	58
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TPP})(\text{Py})_2]$	1.15	0.40	77	59
$[\text{Fe}(\text{OEP})(\text{Py})_2]$	1.13	0.46	4.2	60
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TPP})(1\text{-VinIm})_2]$	1.00	0.43	4.2	41
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TPP})(\text{Pip})_2]$	1.44	0.51	4.2	61
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(1\text{-MeIm})_2]$	1.02	0.46	4.2	61
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TMP})(1\text{-MeIm})_2]^b$	1.11	0.45	77	62
$[\text{Fe}(\text{OEP})(1\text{-MeIm})_2]^b$	0.96	0.46	77	62
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TMP})(\text{PMe}_3)(1\text{-MeIm})]^b$	0.75	0.38	77	62
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TMP})(\text{PMe}_3)_2]^b$	0.47	0.36	77	62
$[\text{Fe}(\text{OEP})(\text{PMe}_3)_2]^b$	0.35	0.36	77	62
Iron(II) CO and CS Complexes				
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TPP})(1\text{-MeIm})(\text{CO})]$	0.35	0.20	293	63
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TPP})(\text{Py})(\text{CO})]$	0.57	0.28	293	63
$[\text{Fe}(\text{Tp}-\text{OCH}_3\text{PP})(\text{Py})(\text{CO})]$	0.49	0.19	298	64
$[\text{Fe}(\text{Tp}-\text{OCH}_3\text{PP})(\text{HIm})(\text{CO})]$	0.36	0.18	298	64
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(1\text{-MeIm})(\text{CO})]$	0.27	0.27	4.2	30
MbCO	0.35	0.27	4.2	65
$[\text{Fe}(\text{OEP})(4\text{-CNPY})(\text{CS})]$	0.80	0.19	4.2	66
$[\text{Fe}(\text{OEP})(\text{Py})(\text{CS})]$	0.57	0.15	4.2	66
$[\text{Fe}(\text{OEP})(\text{Pip})(\text{CS})]$	0.65	0.19	4.2	66
$[\text{Fe}(\text{OEP})(4\text{-NMe}_2\text{Py})(\text{CS})]$	0.44	0.19	4.2	66
$[\text{Fe}(\text{OEP})(1\text{-MeIm})(\text{CS})]$	0.42	0.14	4.2	66
Iron(II) Nitro Complexes				
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)]^-$	2.28	0.41	4.2	22
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{PMS})]^-$	1.18	0.42	4.2	22
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{Py})]^-$	0.93	0.41	4.2	22
{FeNO} <sup>7</sup> Complexes				
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{NO})]^-c$	1.78	0.22	200	21
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{NO})]^-d$	1.20	0.35	4.2	21
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TPP})(\text{NO})]$	1.24	0.35	4.2	21
$[\text{Fe}(\text{OEP})(\text{NO})]$	1.26	0.35	100	67
$[\text{Fe}(\text{Deut})(\text{NO})]$	1.47	0.39	4.2	68
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TPP})(1\text{-MeIm})(\text{NO})]$	0.73	0.35	4.2	40
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TPP})(4\text{-MePip})(\text{NO})]$	0.91	0.37	4.2	40
Iron(III) Nitro Complexes				
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)_2]^-$	2.1	0.25	4.2	24
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{Py})]$	2.2	0.26	4.2	24
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{SC}_6\text{HF}_4)]^-$	2.12	0.22	293	25
	2.30	0.28	4.2	25
{FeNO} <sup>6</sup> Complexes				
$[\text{Fe}(\text{OEP})(\text{Iz})(\text{NO})]^+$	1.99	-0.07	293	69
	1.92	0.02	4.2	69
$[\text{Fe}(\text{OEP})(2\text{-MeHIm})(\text{NO})]^+$	1.88	0.05	4.2	70
$[\text{Fe}(\text{OEP})(1\text{-MeIm})(\text{NO})]^+b$	1.64	0.02	4.2	71
$[\text{Fe}(\text{OEP})(\text{NO})\text{ClO}_4]$	1.55	0.13	293	69
	1.64	0.20	4.2	69
$[\text{Fe}(\text{Tp}-\text{OCH}_3\text{PP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{NO})]$	1.43	0.04	293	26
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TpivPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{NO})]$	1.48	0.01	293	26
	1.43	0.09	4.2	26
$[\text{Fe}(\text{TPP})(\text{NO}_2)(\text{NO})]$	1.37	0.02	293	26
	1.36	0.13	4.2	26
	1.36	0.13	77	72
$[\text{Fe}(\text{OEP})(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{-}p\text{-F})(\text{NO})]$	0.56	0.05	293	73
	0.57	0.14	4.2	73

<sup>a</sup>This work.



<sup>b</sup> In dimethylacetamide solution.

<sup>c</sup> form.

<sup>d</sup> || form.