

# Supporting Information:

## Reductive Coupling of Nitrogen Monoxide ( $\bullet\text{NO}$ ) Facilitated by Heme/Copper Complexes

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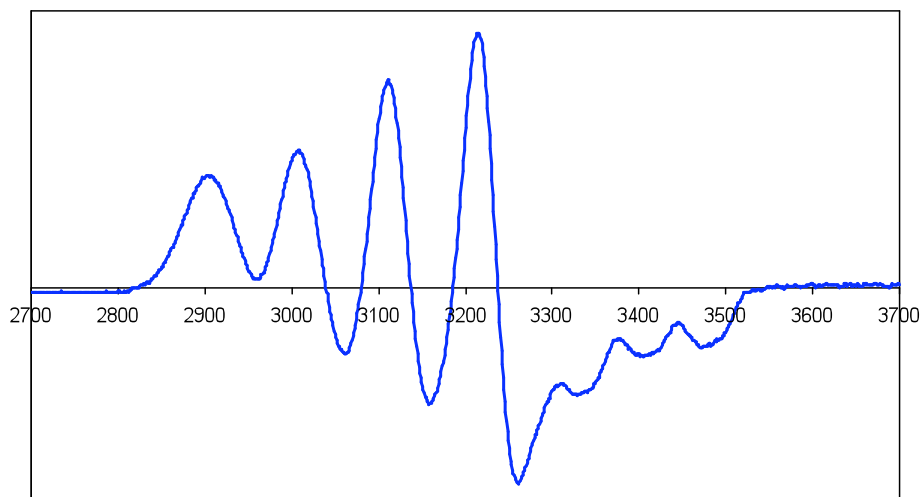
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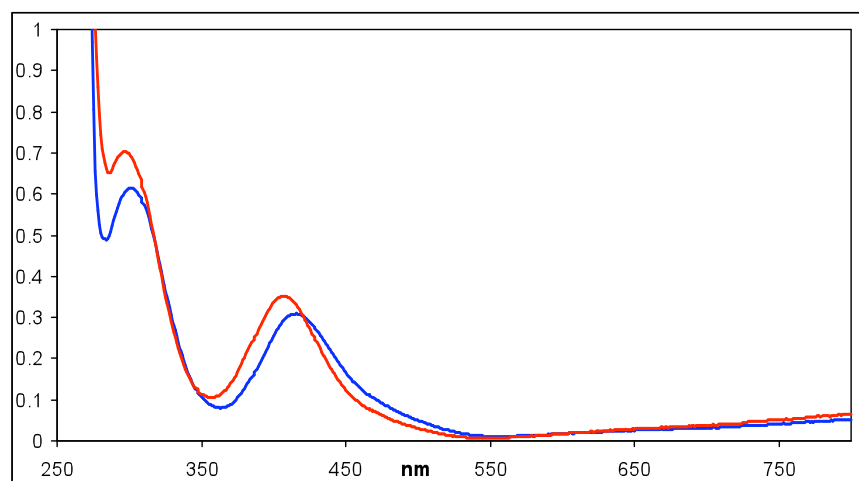
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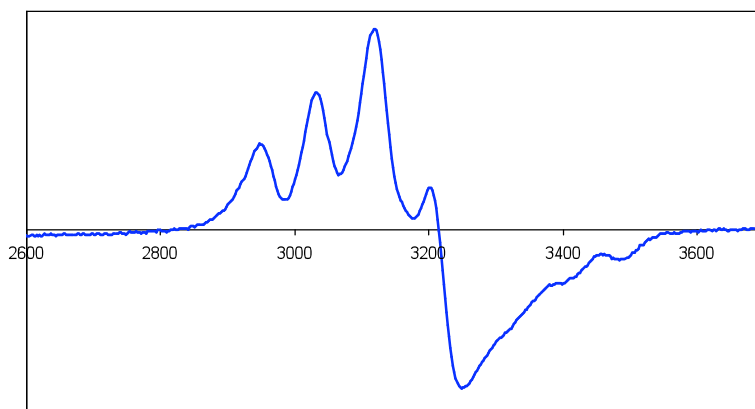
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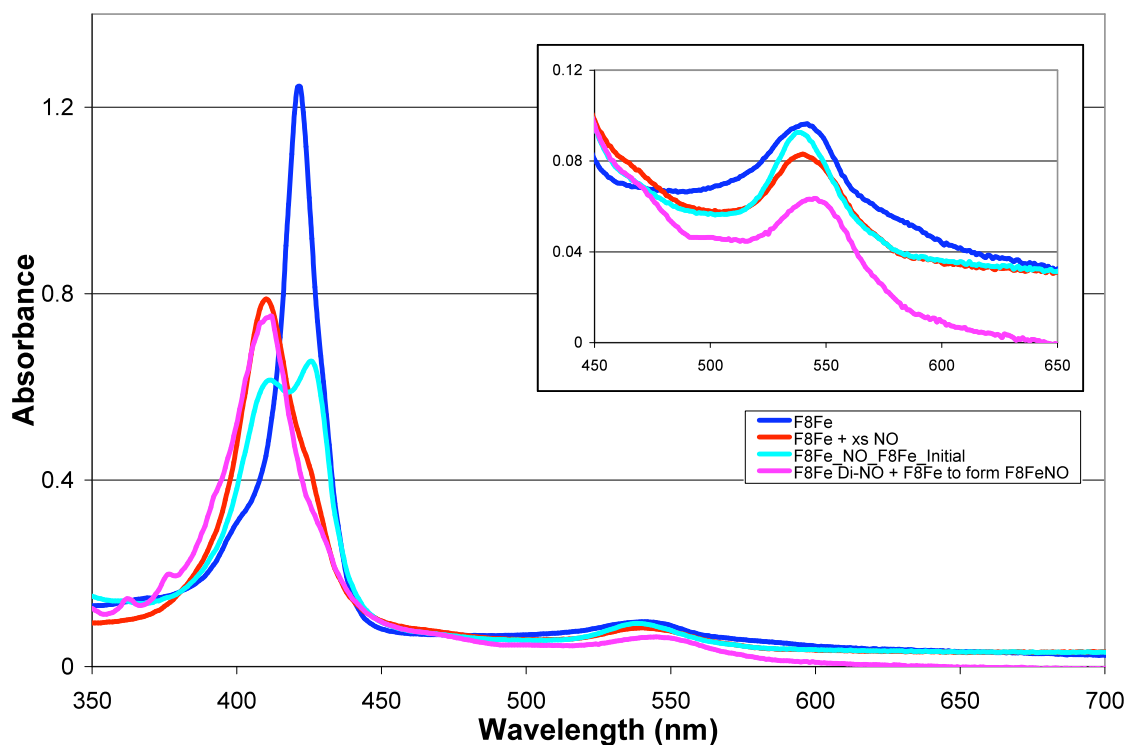
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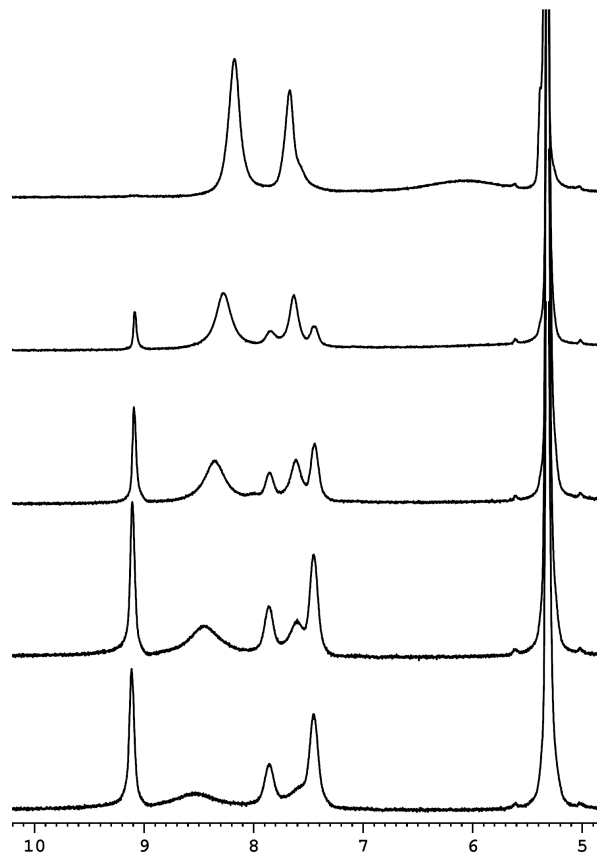
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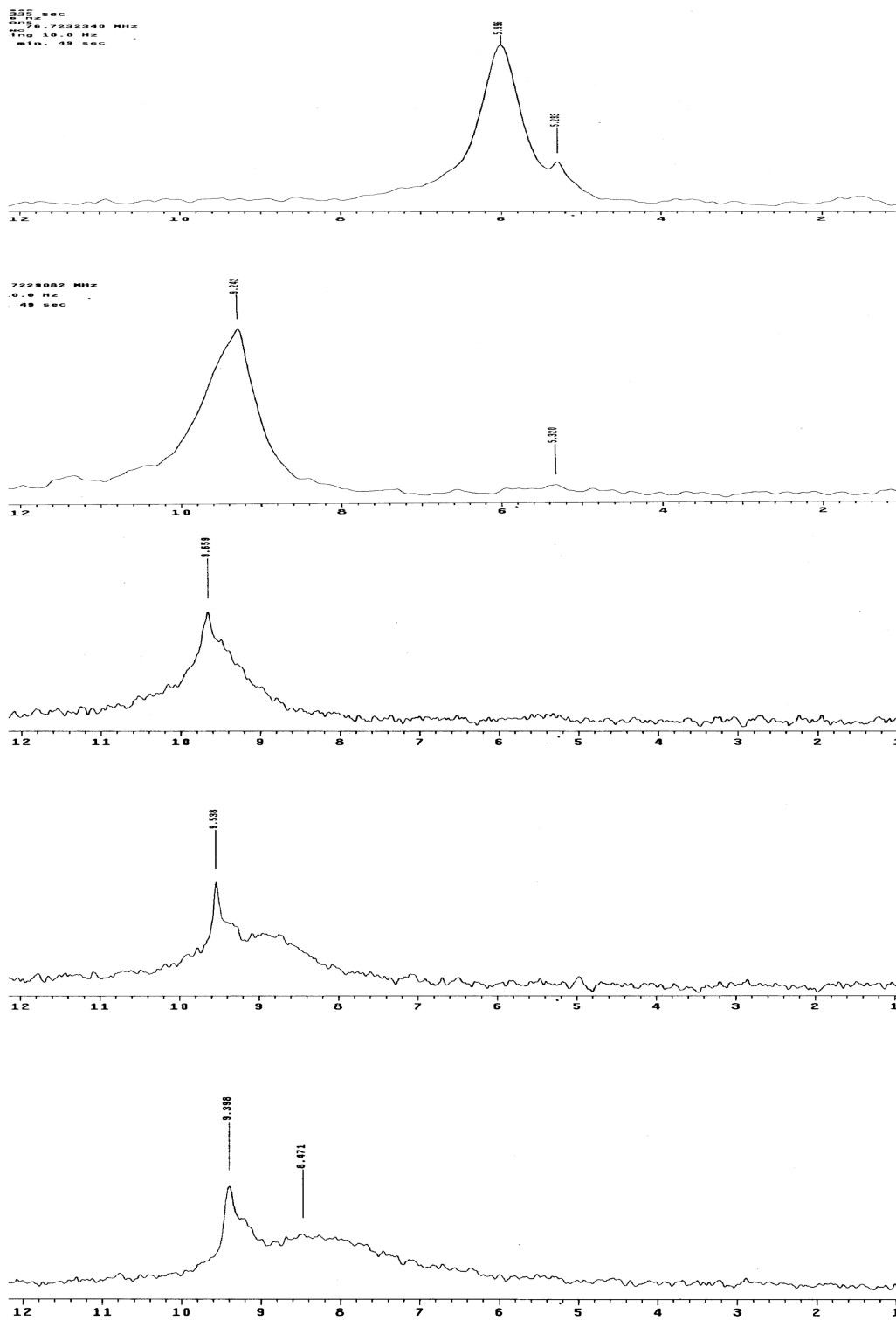
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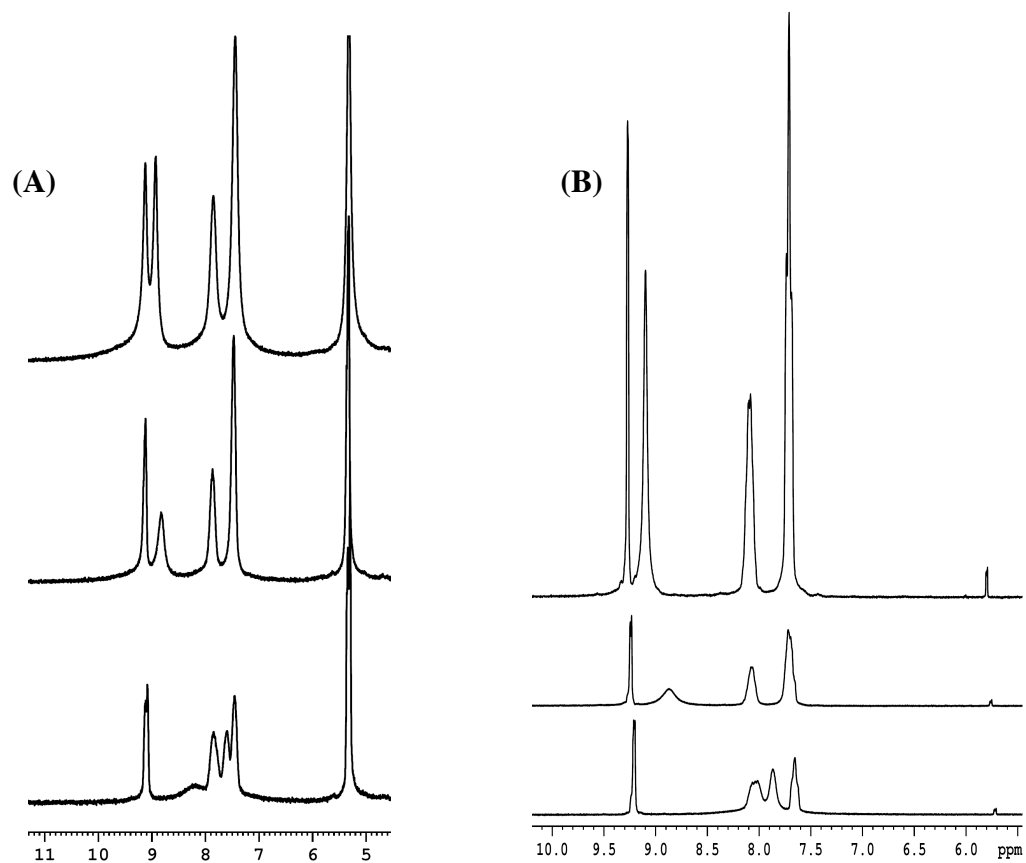
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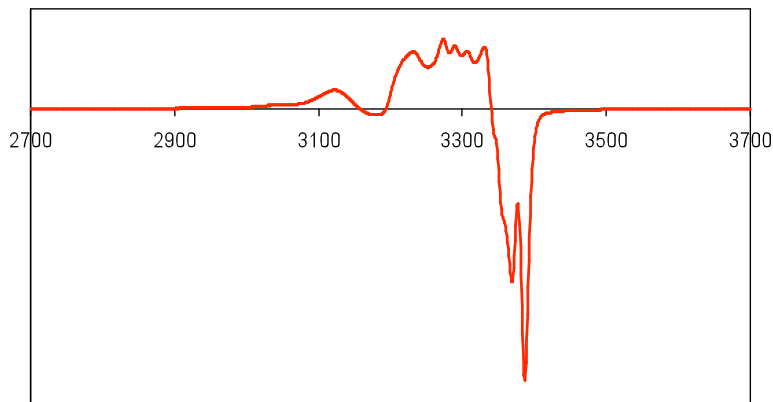
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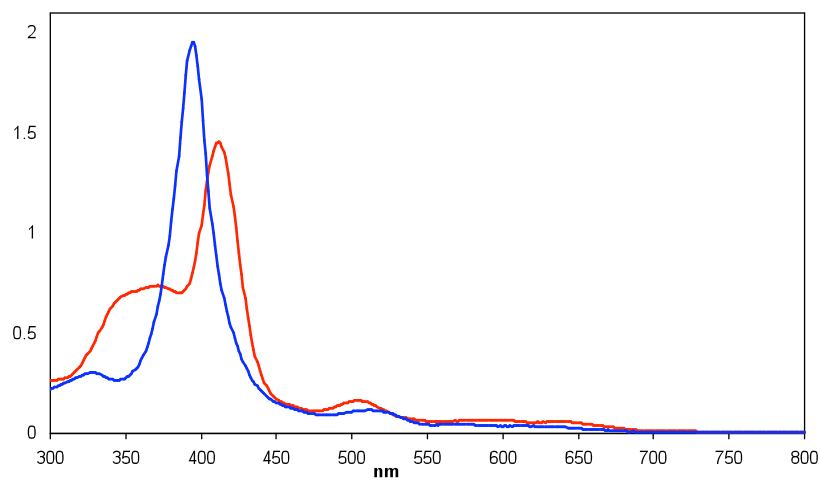
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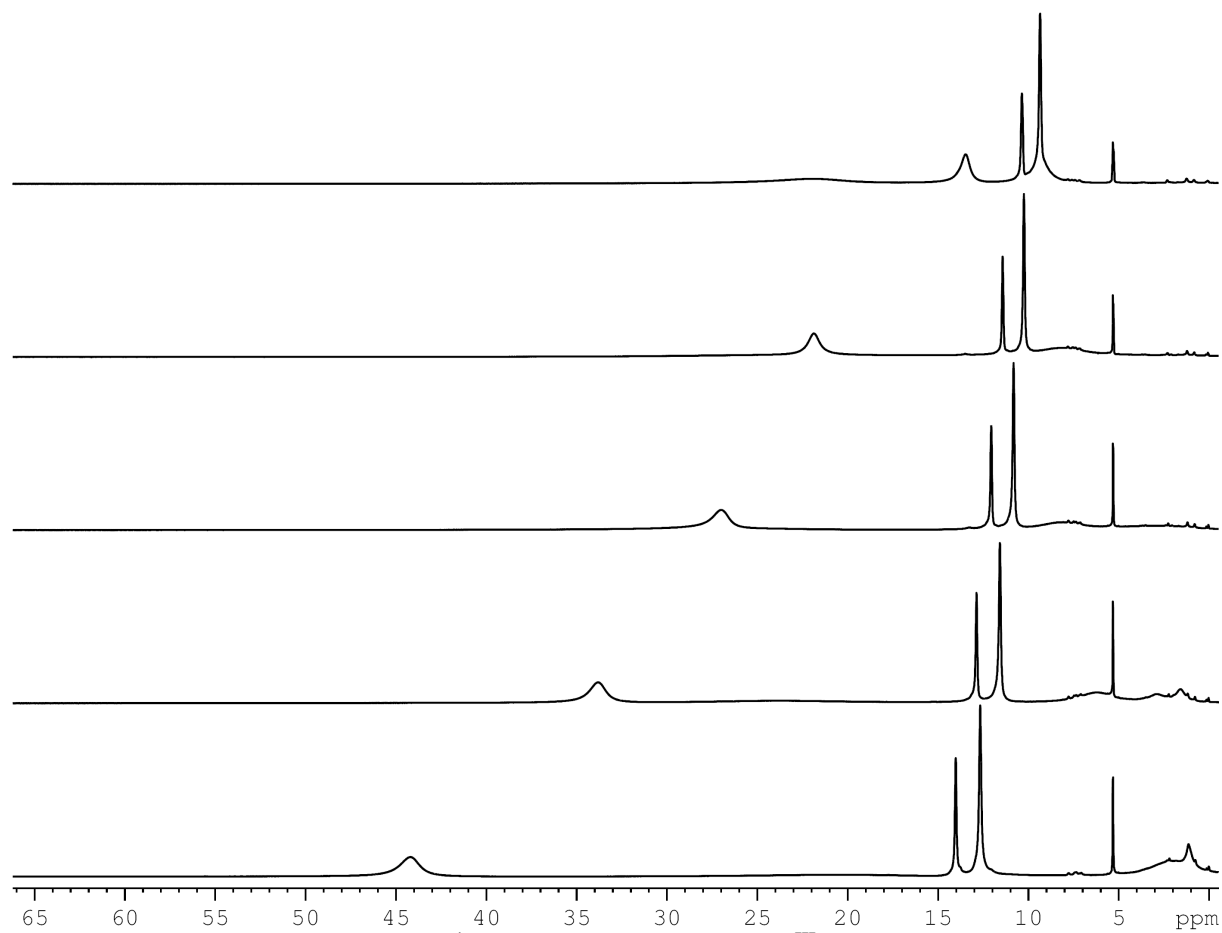
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**Figure S8.** Expanded view of the EPR spectrum of the product mixture from the reaction of  $(F_8)Fe(NO)_2 + [(tmpa)Cu^I(MeCN)]^+$ , i.e. complexes  $(F_8)FeNO$ ,  $1/3 [(tmpa)Cu^{II}(NO_2)]^+$  and unreacted  $2/3 [(tmpa)Cu^I(solvent)]^+$ .

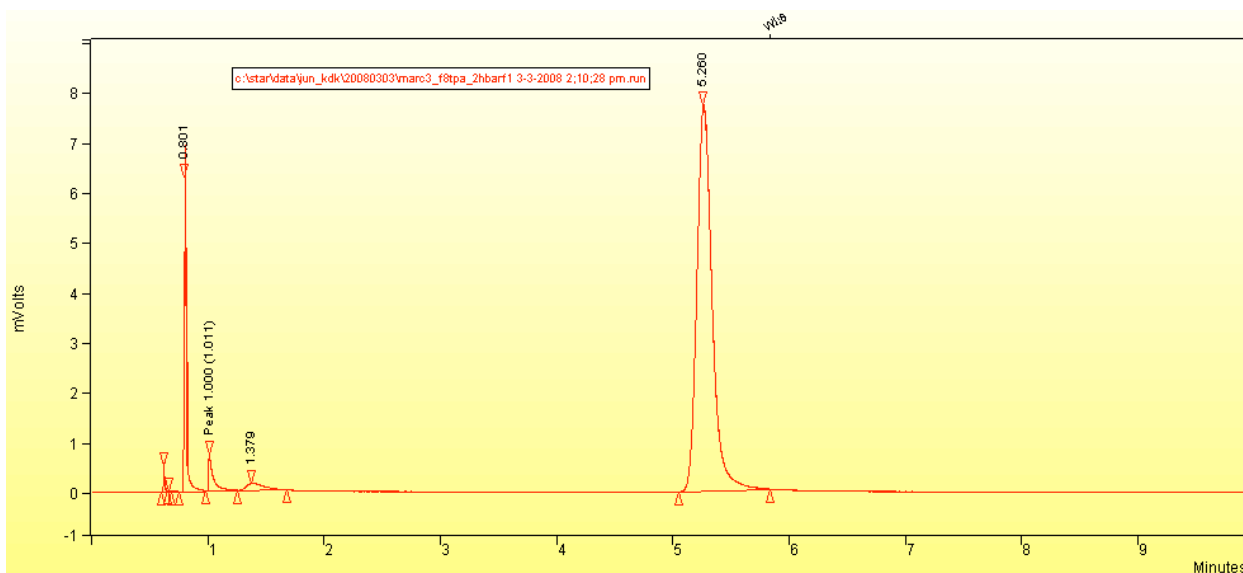


**Figure S9.** UV-Vis Spectrum (RT) of  $[(F_8)Fe^{III}]SbF_6$  (**blue**,  $\lambda_{max} = 394$  (Soret), 512 nm) and  $(F_8)Fe^{III}Cl$  (**red**,  $\lambda_{max} = 370, 411$  (Soret), 503, 639 nm) in  $CH_2Cl_2$ .



**Figure S10.** Variable-temperature  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectra of  $(\text{F}_8)\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}\text{SbF}_6$  in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ . From top to bottom, the temperatures at which the spectrum was recorded are 20 °C, -20 °C, -40 °C, -60 °C and -80 °C.





**Figure S11.** Gas chromatography (GC) of the head space of the product mixture, obtained from the reaction of  $(F_8)Fe(NO)_2$  with  $[(tmpa)Cu^I(MeCN)]^+$  plus Acid. It was performed on a Varian CP-3800 instrument equipped with a 1041 manual injector, electron conductivity detector, and a 25 m 5 Å molecular sieve capillary column. When the oven temperature is 200 °C and the flow rate equals to 8 mL/min, the retention time (min) are 5.260 for  $N_2O$ , 0.801 for small amount of air in the syringe needle that was used for gas injection, 1.000 and 1.379 for trace impurities.