Supporting Information

For

XAS and DFT Investigation of Mononuclear Cobalt(III)-Peroxo Complexes: Electronic Control of Geometric Structure in CoO₂ versus NiO₂ Systems

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The final geometry optimized xyz coordinates obtained from the DFT calculation on $[(14-TMC)CoO_2]^+$ (UBP86, basis sets: CP(PPP) on Co and TZVP on the rest of the atoms, Conductor like screening model with CH₂Cl₂ as dielectric.)

Co	-0.076747	0.279004	-0.015814
Ν	0.676552	-0.034662	-2.169197
Ν	1.959447	-0.205282	0.496584
Ν	-0.687961	-0.013978	2.191932
Ν	-1.691085	-1.094862	-0.379437
С	0.159927	1.019467	-3.072574
С	2.135918	0.162985	-1.965136
С	2.633671	-0.633665	-0.768793
С	2.630495	1.043964	0.967644
С	2.151956	-1.278891	1.521956
C	1.579238	-0.962393	2.901107
С	0.059349	-1.034348	2.987970
С	-0.699938	1.277809	2.916360
C	-2.084482	-0.489770	2.009358
C	-2.155808	-1.584706	0.955932
Č	-2.816698	-0.333843	-1.001480
Č	-1.373906	-2.281592	-1.234854
Č	-0.945557	-1.949792	-2.661960
Č	0.462565	-1.379740	-2.783898
õ	-1 131144	1 815771	-0 157505
ŏ	0.216177	2.126379	-0.121941
н	0 264972	1 995219	-2 584039
н	-0.901677	0.845331	-3 284871
н	0 711597	1 022075	-4 030566
н	2 309664	1 236802	-1 814501
н	2 702258	-0.135597	-2 866997
н	2 439041	-1 705944	-0.903271
н	3 726183	-0 514755	-0.667086
н	2 082132	1 492722	1 799641
н	2.663739	1 777245	0 156402
н	3 660514	0.811177	1 287872
н	3 237406	-1 469882	1.613965
н	1 689349	-2 196100	1 125981
н	1 969939	-1 728502	3 589266
н	1 964053	-0.006386	3 284093
н	-0.258591	-0.952486	4 044788
н	-0 249466	-2 029837	2 641962
н	0.327131	1 606787	3 114788
н	-1 228742	1 182533	3 882577
н	-1 197063	2 033437	2 297001
н	-2 695314	0 373234	1 712411
н	-2 498170	-0.869287	2 962339
н	-3 190200	-1.960915	0 874843
н	-1 524648	-2 438868	1 234868
н	-2 485911	0 185422	-1 904418
н	-3 188378	0.419765	-0.300863
н	-3 636027	-1 028265	-0.300003
н	-2 270830	-2 927913	-1.254705
н	-0.577545	-2.921913	-0.771/2
н	-0.07/343	-2.0+7575	-3 222245
н	-1 687507	-1 313130	-3 164853
н	0 752512	-1 325215	-3 850442
Ч	1 152055	-2 086846	-2 30/769
п	1.132933	-2.000040	-2.304/08

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Co	-0.010522	-0.111505	0.000056
С	-2.343749	0.893665	1.586037
Н	-3.233713	0.668333	2.195388
Η	-2.624668	1.471545	0.699863
Н	-1.623556	1.480493	2.164994
Ν	1.667515	-0.366230	-1.143878
Ν	-1.687340	-0.369768	1.145203
Ν	0.937916	-1.235089	1.388098
С	2.663906	-1.147247	-0.318103
Н	3.290173	-0.417453	0.208358
Н	3.326198	-1.728641	-0.977380
С	1.614249	-0.338932	2.377858
Η	0.879317	0.308447	2.863707
Н	2.335748	0.306934	1.870433
Η	2.130320	-0.951285	3.135155
С	-0.091035	-2.050981	2.089699
Η	0.304764	-2.466191	3.032181
Η	-0.360589	-2.895517	1.444960
С	-1.279894	-1.148825	2.374738
Η	-2.134388	-1.730758	2.752059
Η	-1.018992	-0.417733	3.149017
С	1.965274	-2.050699	0.683819
Η	1.462495	-2.894371	0.196909
Η	2.698979	-2.467275	1.394743
С	2.316991	0.898769	-1.590434
Η	1.593591	1.479083	-2.171953
Η	2.594693	1.482160	-0.706851
Ν	-0.952852	-1.246679	-1.382743
С	1.264337	-1.153184	-2.369771
Η	0.999436	-0.427088	-3.147343
Η	2.122036	-1.732134	-2.744366
С	-1.633732	-0.358527	-2.376612
Н	-2.357526	0.286826	-1.871849
Η	-0.902028	0.289536	-2.866433
Η	-2.147739	-0.976962	-3.130357
С	-1.976130	-2.064277	-0.674807
Η	-2.707597	-2.487805	-1.383915
Η	-1.469168	-2.903224	-0.184091
С	-2.679517	-1.159917	0.322983
Η	-3.338756	-1.741859	0.984851
Η	-3.309735	-0.435897	-0.206782
С	0.080278	-2.060416	-2.080716
Н	0.354169	-2.900887	-1.432431
H	-0.313330	-2.481693	-3.021424
Η	3.208212	0.675692	-2.198784
0	-0.420428	1.627778	-0.599131
0	0.390072	1.632645	0.591161



Figure S1 The α_{LUMO} , β_{LUMO} , β_{LUMO+1} and β_{LUMO+2} contour plots for the [(14-TMC)CoO₂]⁺ complex with side-on (left panel) and end-on (right panel) bound O₂ (see experimental section for details). The calculations were performed for the intermediate spin S=1 state for both the end-on and side-on species. The values in brackets represent the (Co 3d, O₂ⁿ⁻ p) spin density contributions to the respective orbitals.



Valence Ni 3d and O2ⁿ⁻ orbitals

Figure S2 The α_{LUMO} , β_{LUMO} and β_{LUMO+1} contour plots for the [(14-TMC)NiO₂]⁺ complex with side-on (left panel) and end-on (right panel) bound O₂ (see experimental section for details). The values in brackets represent the (Ni 3d, O₂ⁿ⁻ p) spin density contributions to the respective orbitals.



Figure S3. ¹H NMR spectrum of **2** in acetonitrile- d_3 at -40 °C.