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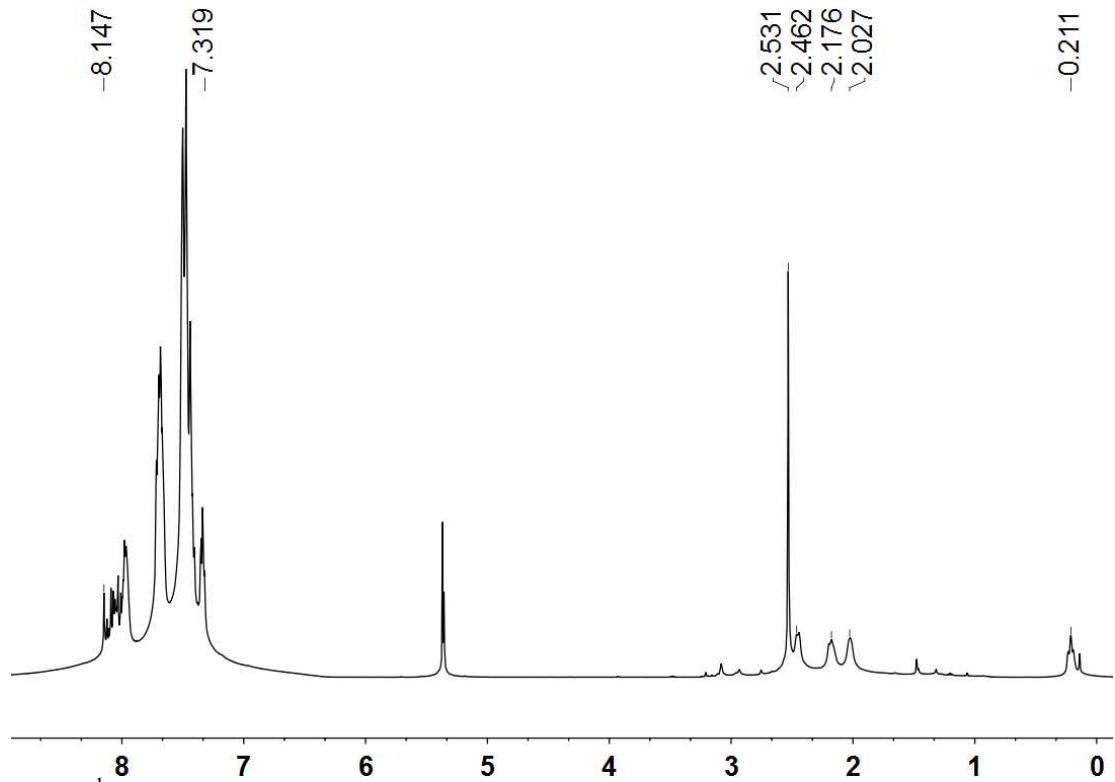
**Ferrous Carbonyl Dithiolates as Precursors to FeFe-, FeCo-, and FeMn-Dithiolates**

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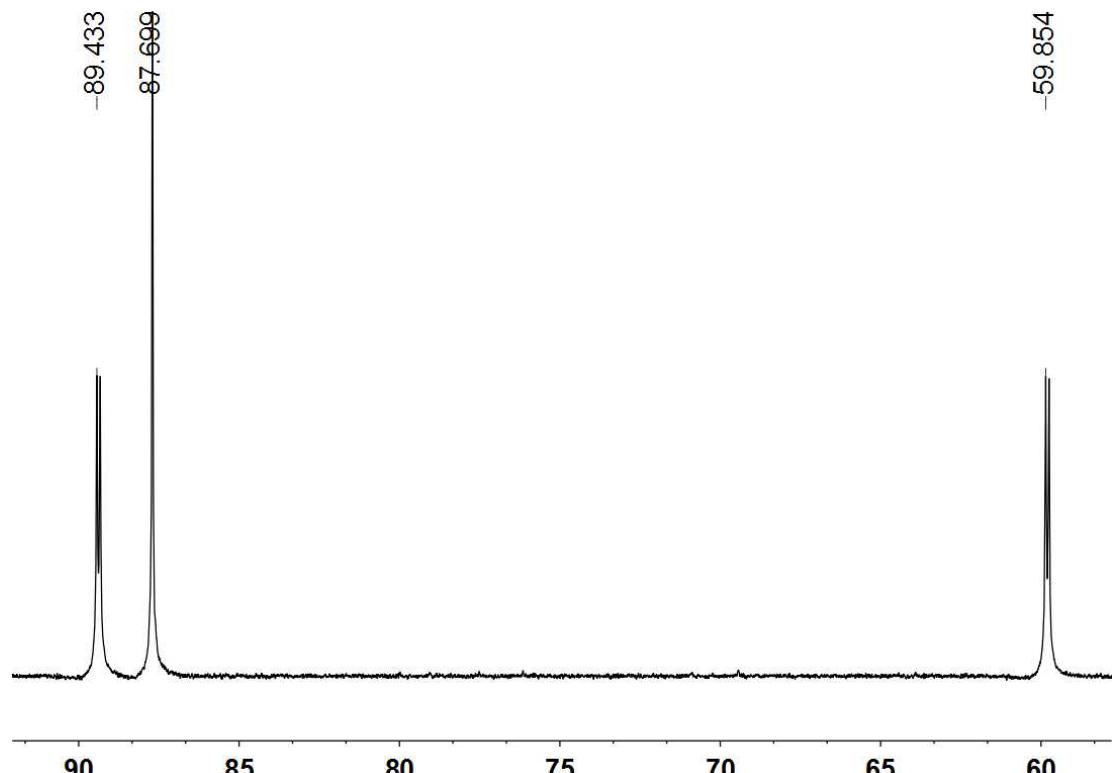
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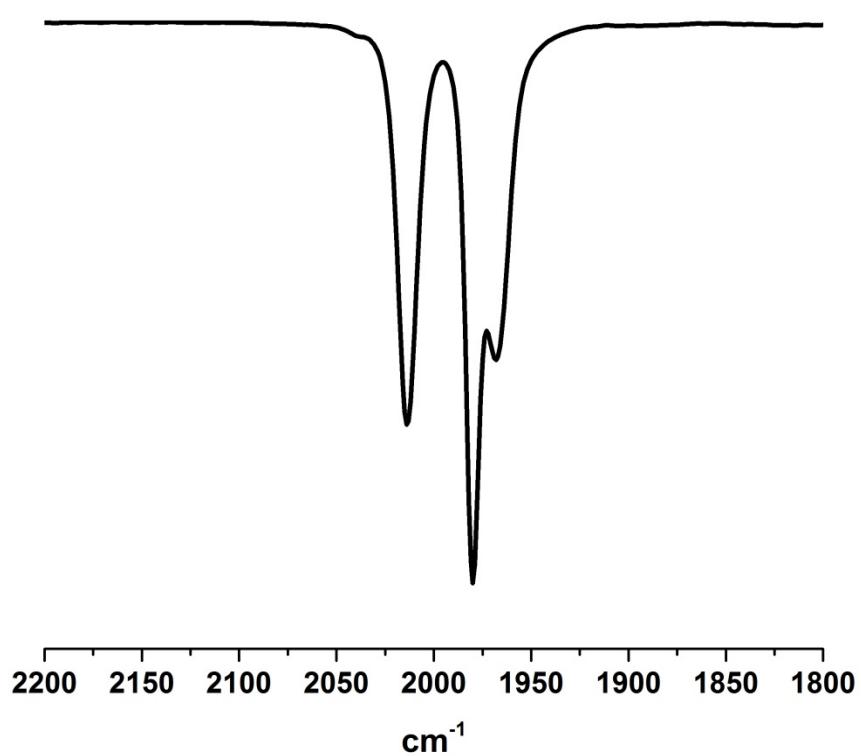
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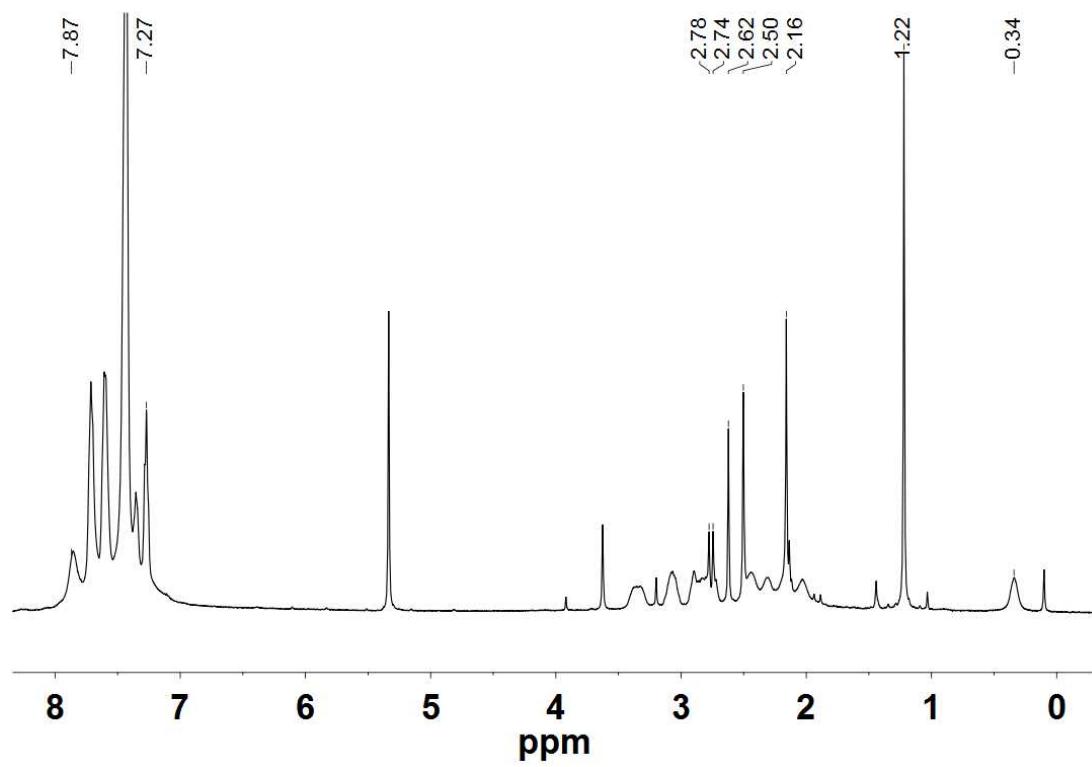
**Figure S1.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (500 MHz) of  $\text{Fe}(\text{edt})(\text{CO})_2(\text{dppv})$  (**1a**) in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution.



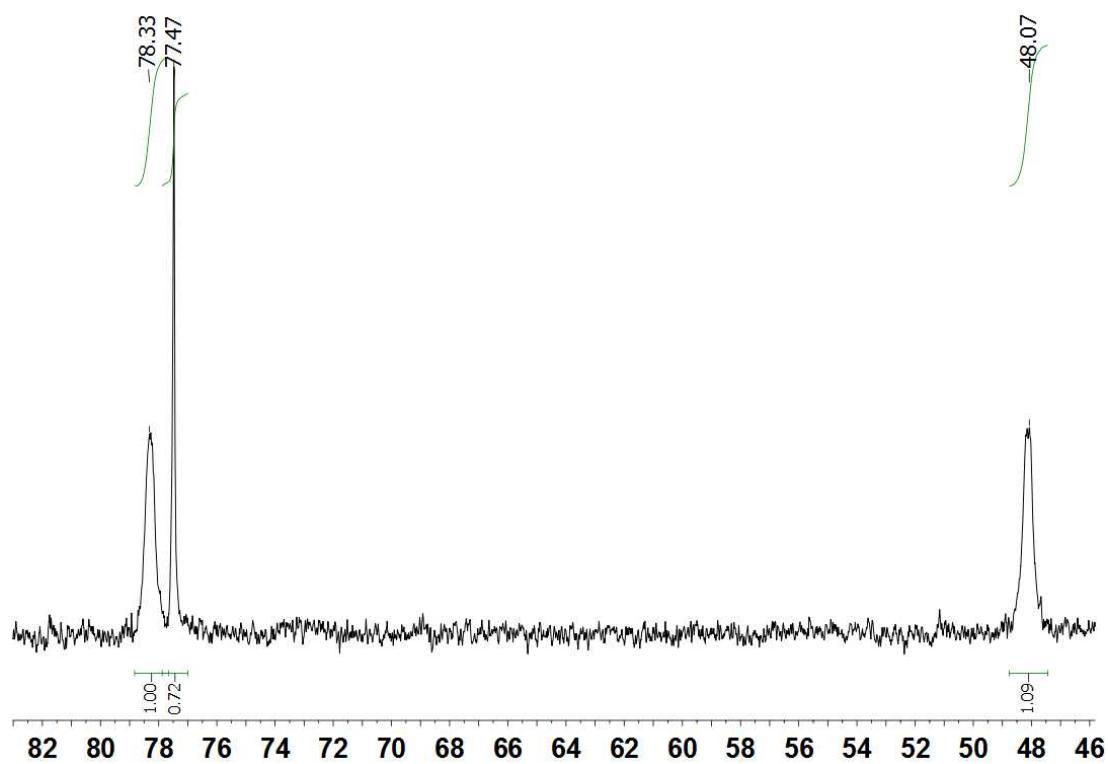
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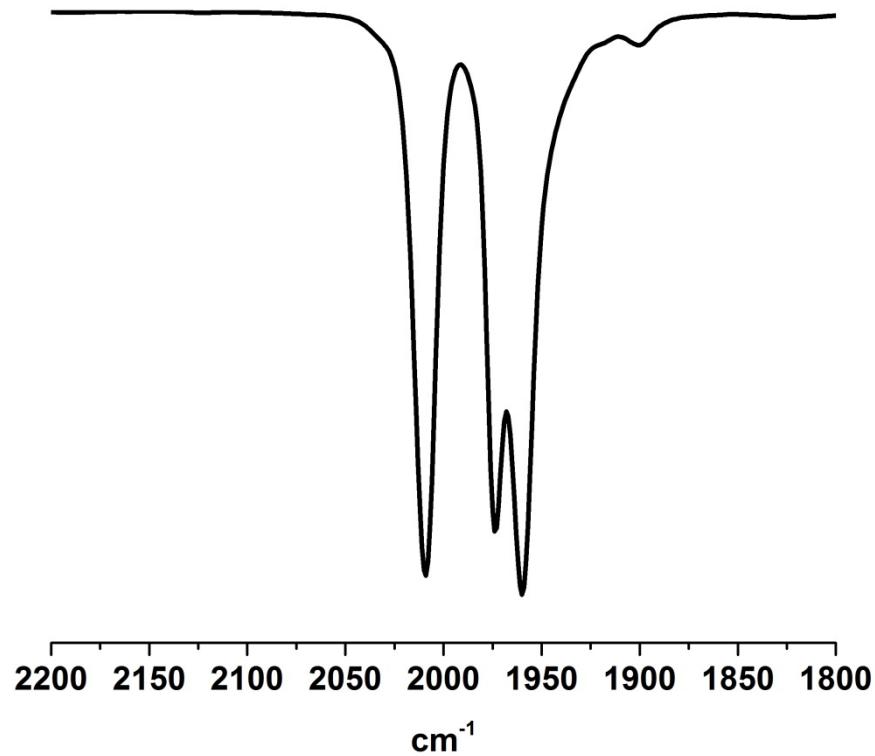
**Figure S3.** IR spectrum of Fe(edt)(CO)<sub>2</sub>(dppv) (**1a**) in THF solution.



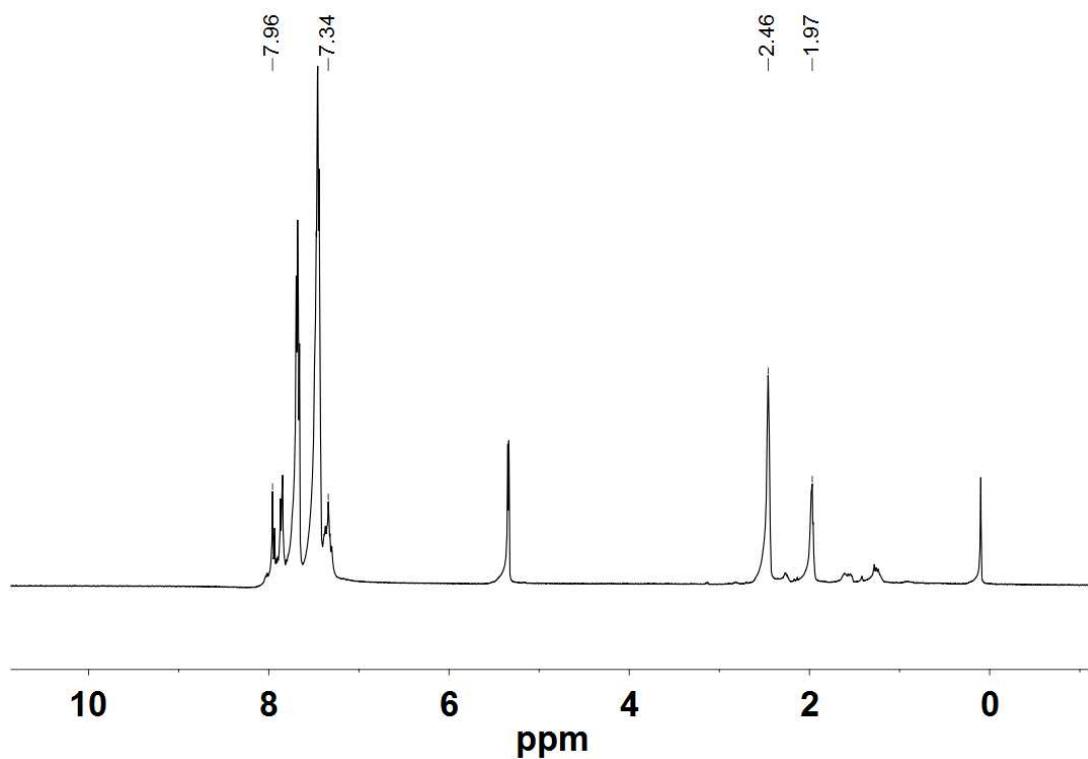
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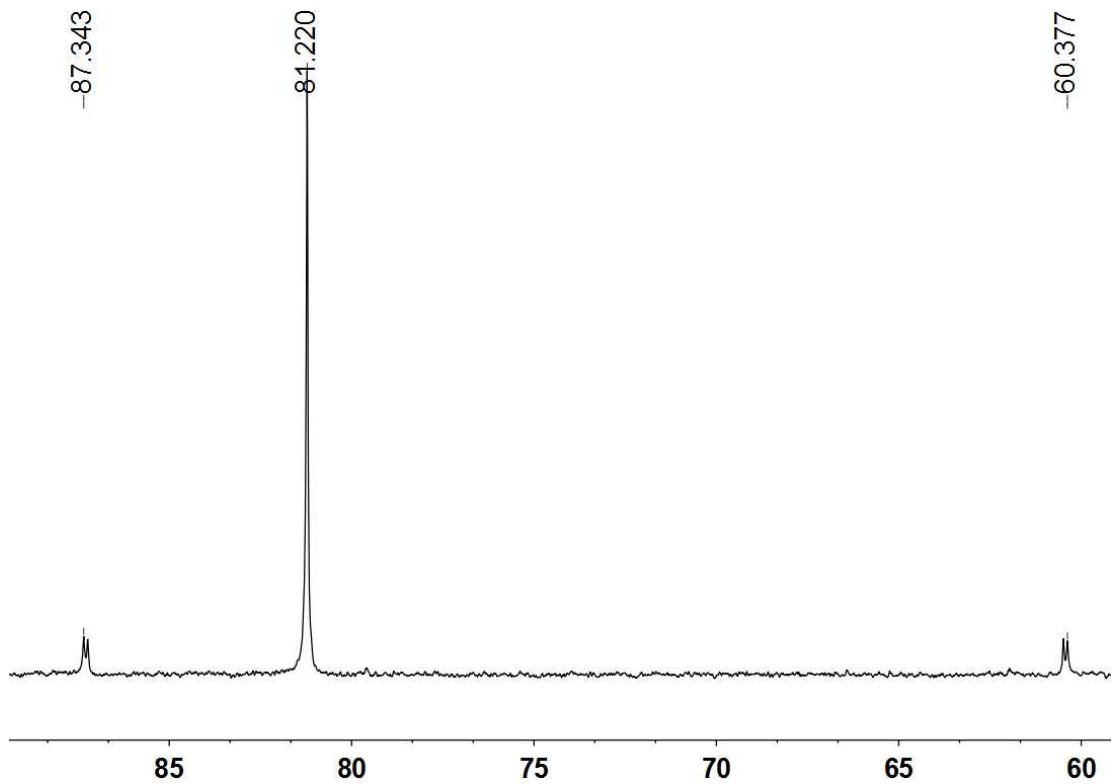
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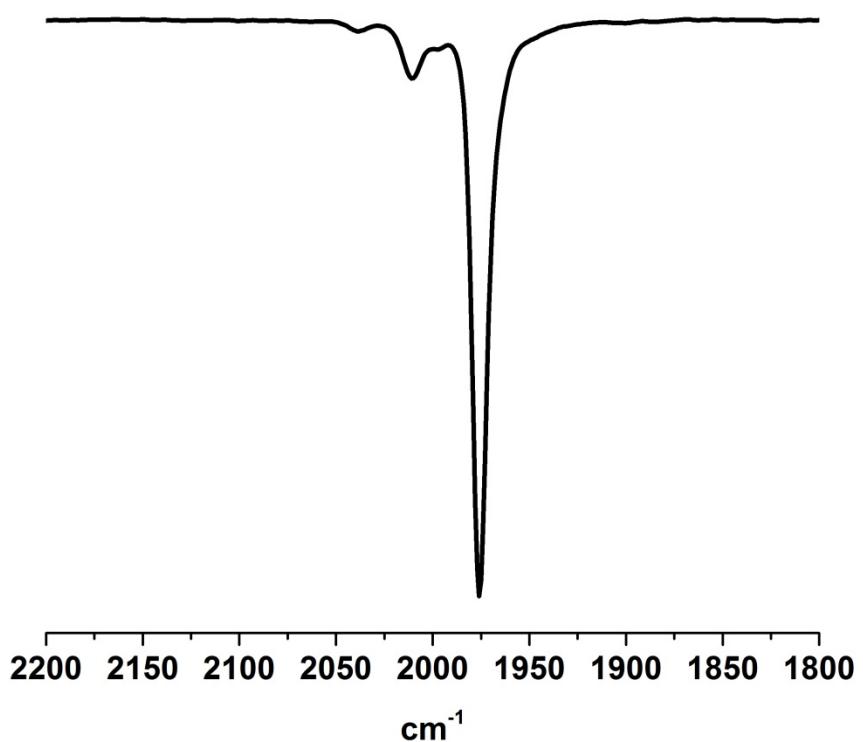
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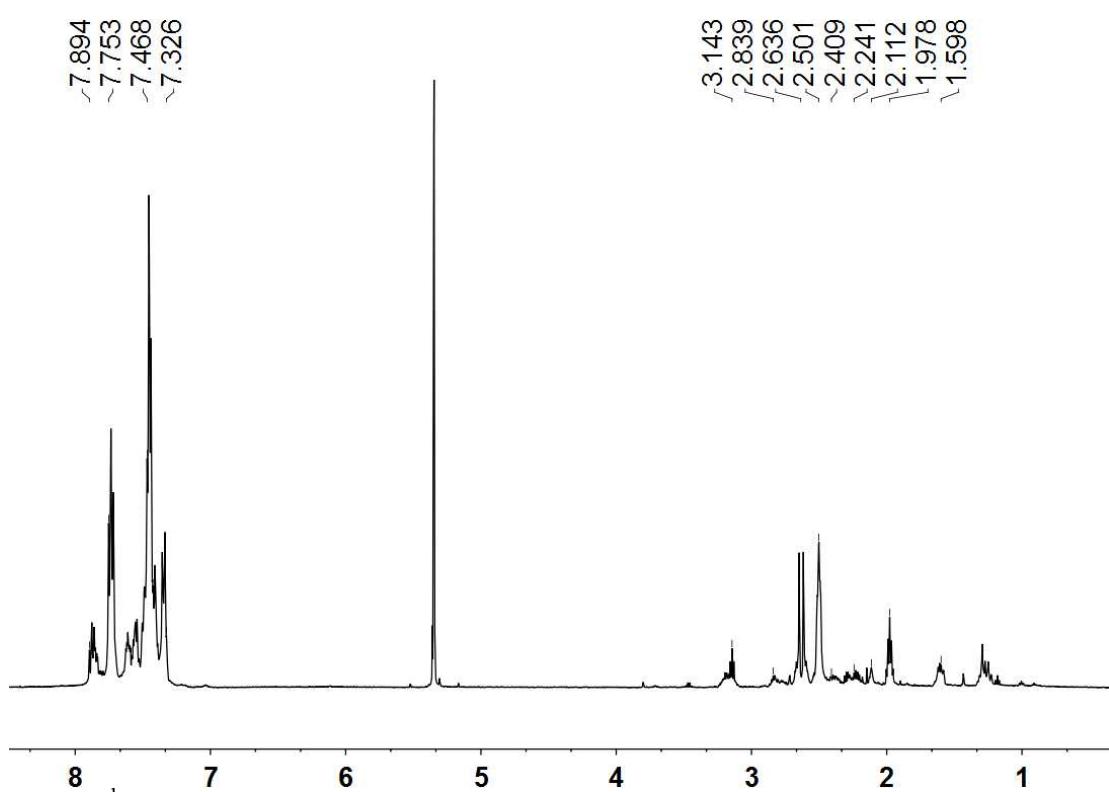
**Figure S7.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (500 MHz) of Fe(pdt)(CO)<sub>2</sub>(dppv) (**1c**) in CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solution.



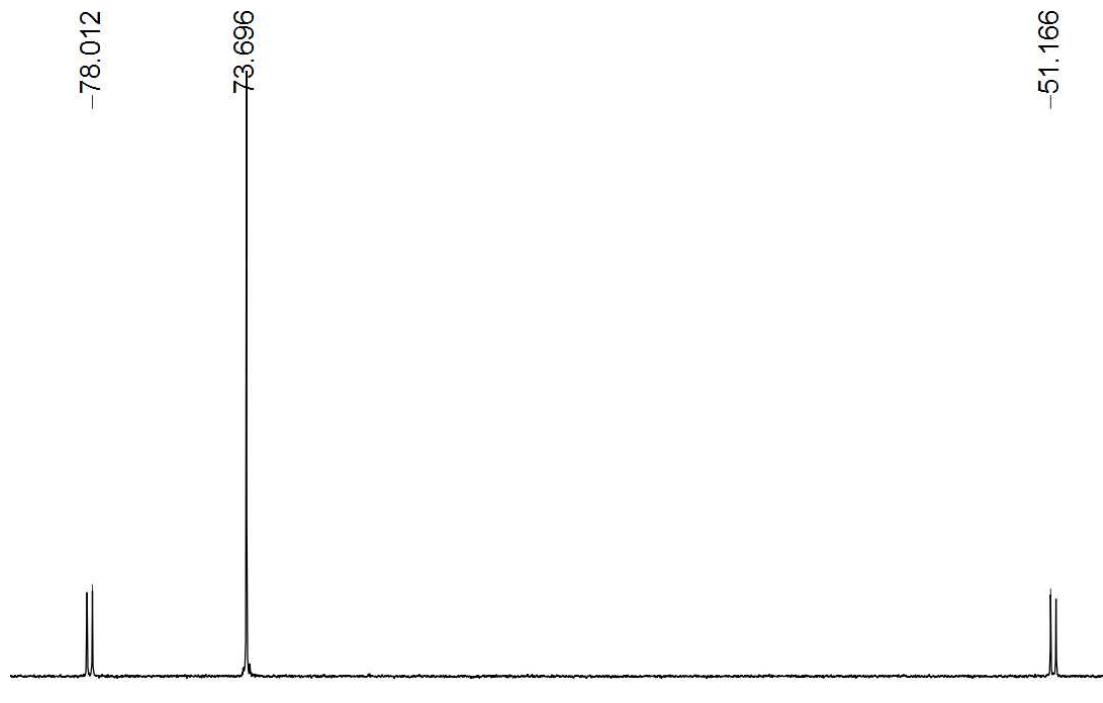
**Figure S8.**  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectrum (202 MHz) of  $\text{Fe}(\text{pdt})(\text{CO})_2(\text{dppv})$  (**1c**) in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution.



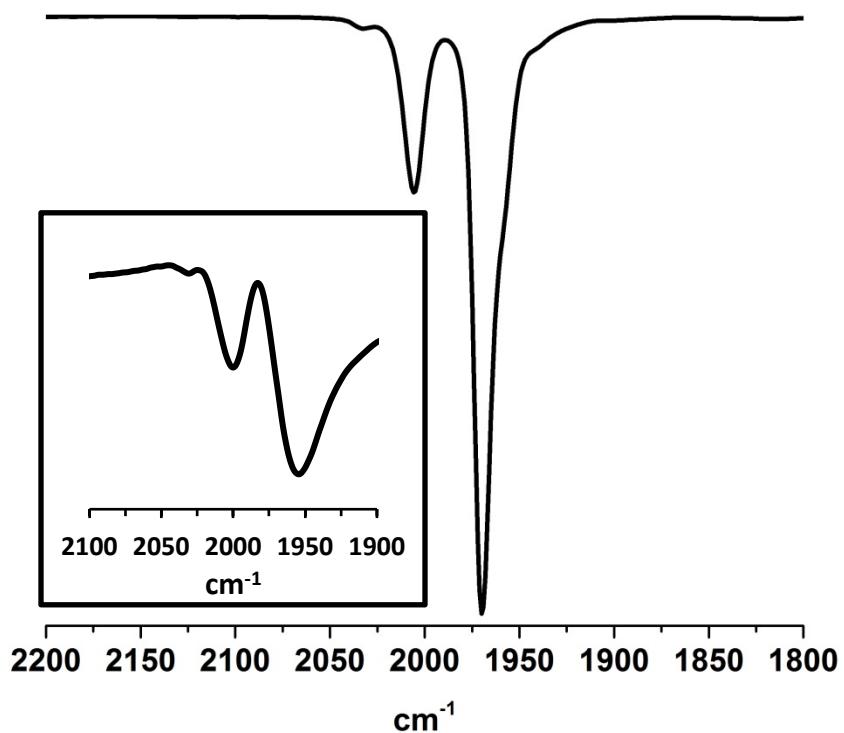
**Figure S9.** IR spectrum of  $\text{Fe}(\text{pdt})(\text{CO})_2(\text{dppv})$  (**1c**) in THF solution.



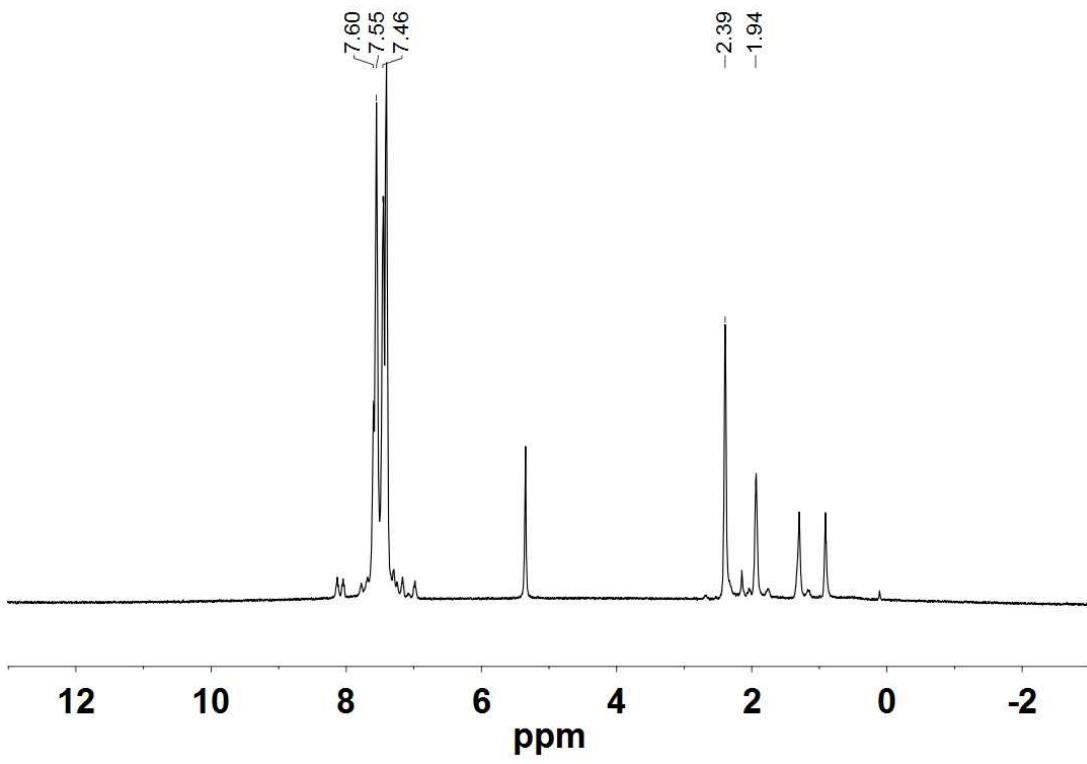
**Figure S10.**  ${}^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (500 MHz) of  $\text{Fe}(\text{pdt})(\text{CO})_2(\text{dppe})$  (**1d**) in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution.



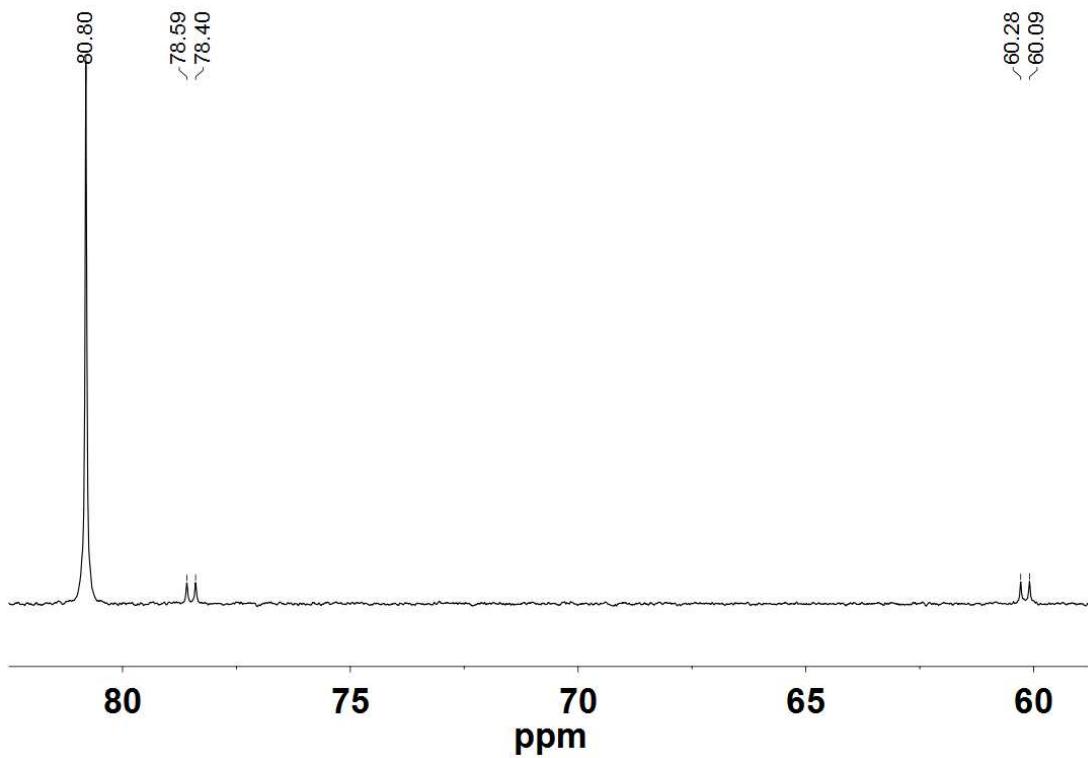
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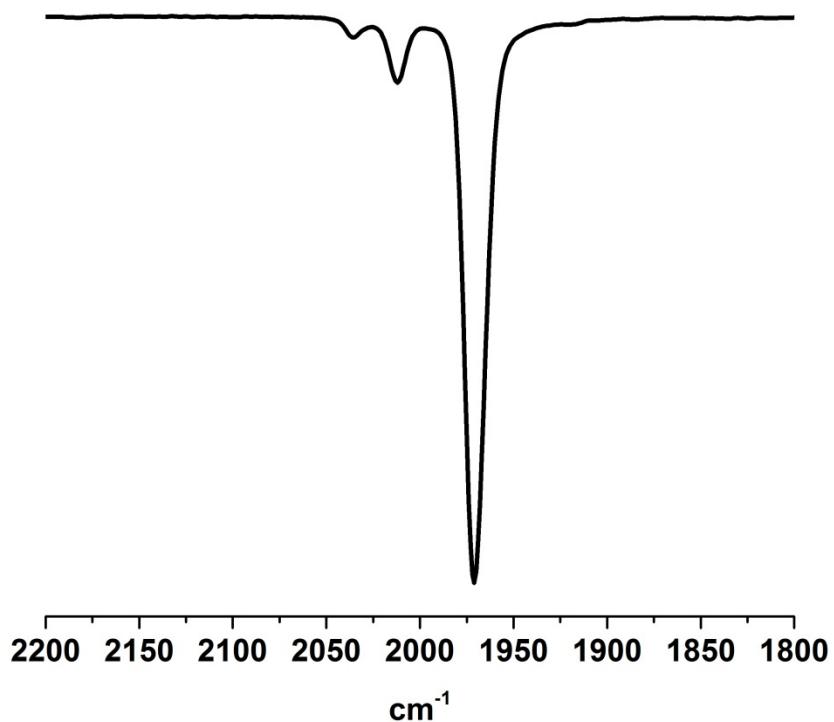
**Figure S12.** IR spectrum of  $\text{Fe}(\text{pdt})(\text{CO})_2(\text{dppe})$  (**1d**) in THF solution and as a solid (inset).



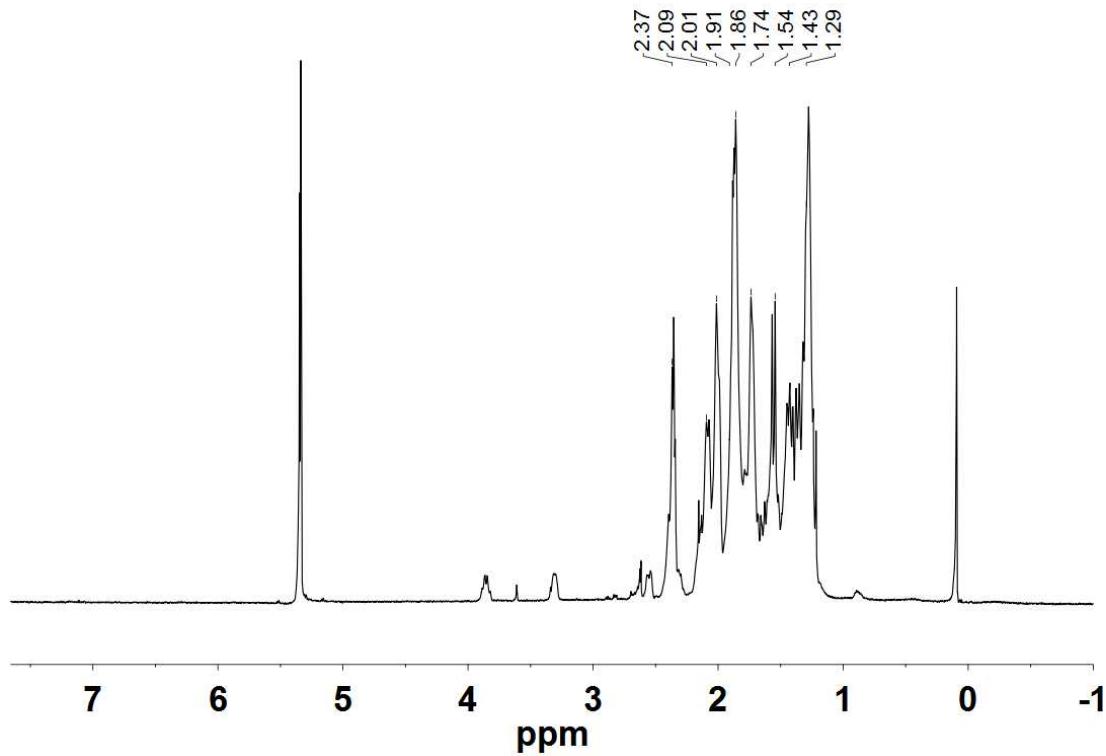
**Figure S13.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (500 MHz) of Fe(pdt)(CO)<sub>2</sub>(dppbz) (**1e**) in CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solution.



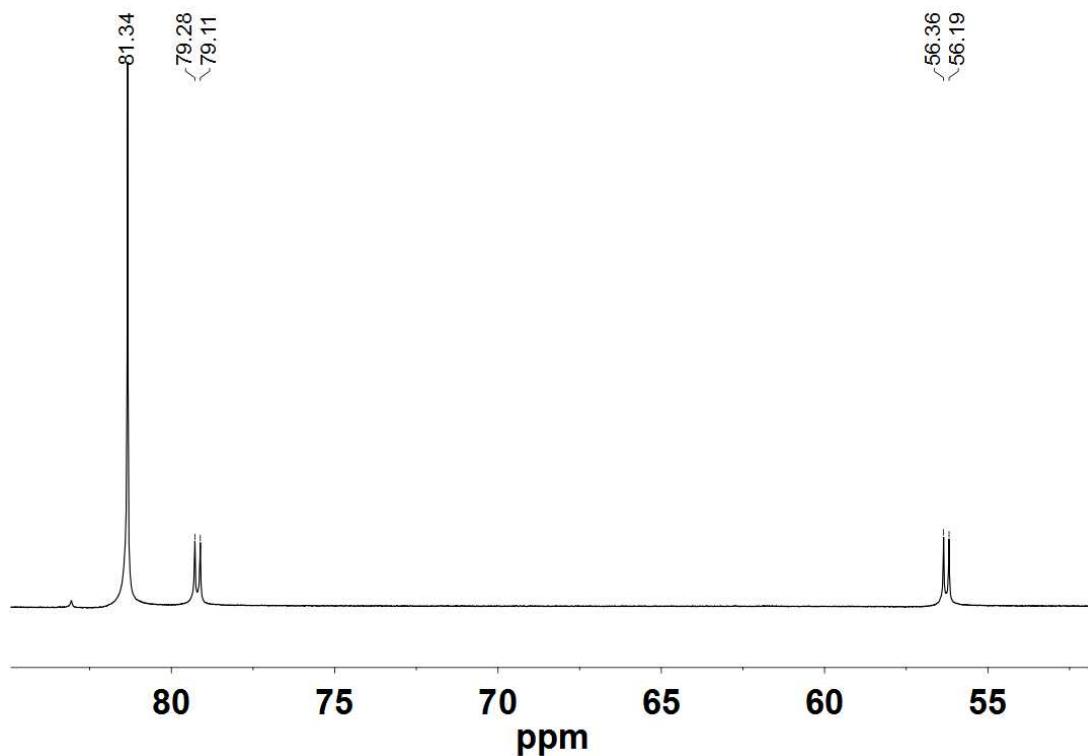
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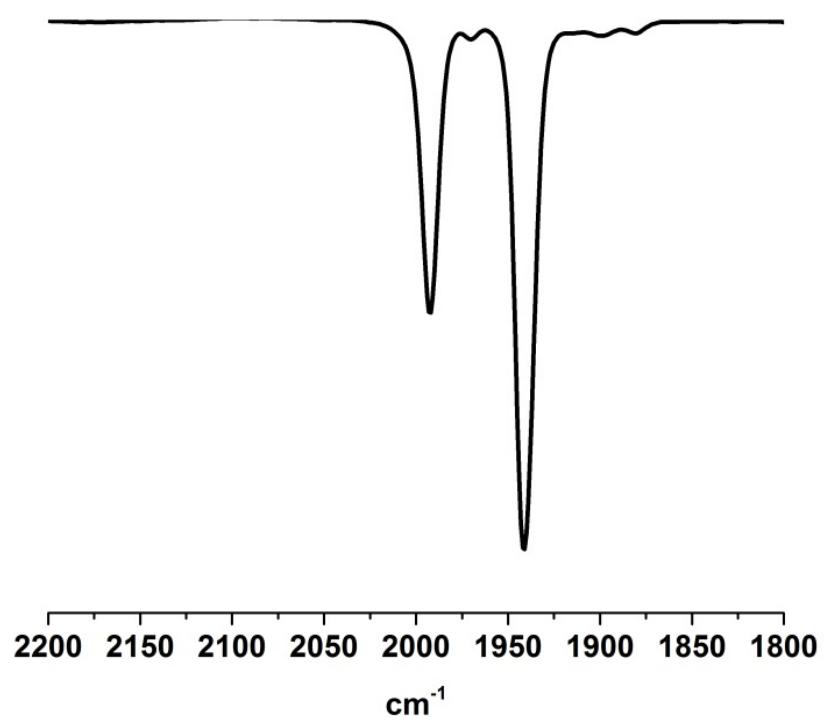
**Figure S15.** IR spectrum of  $\text{Fe}(\text{pdt})(\text{CO})_2(\text{dppbz})$  (**1e**) in THF solution.



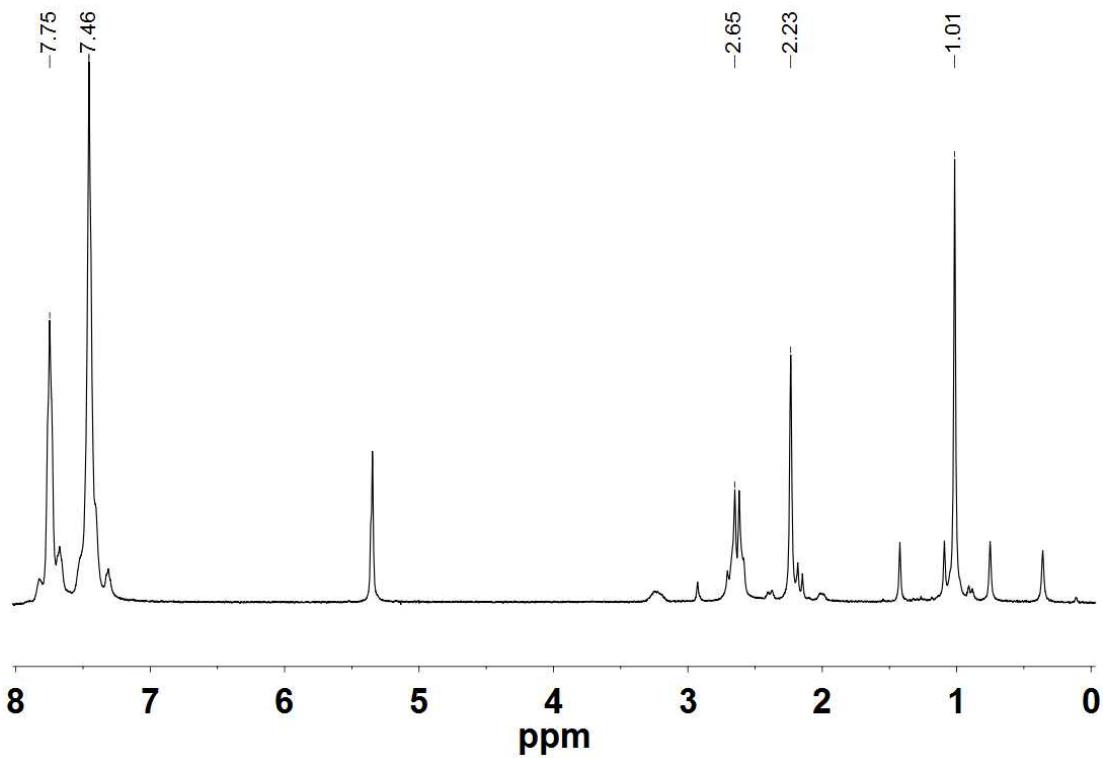
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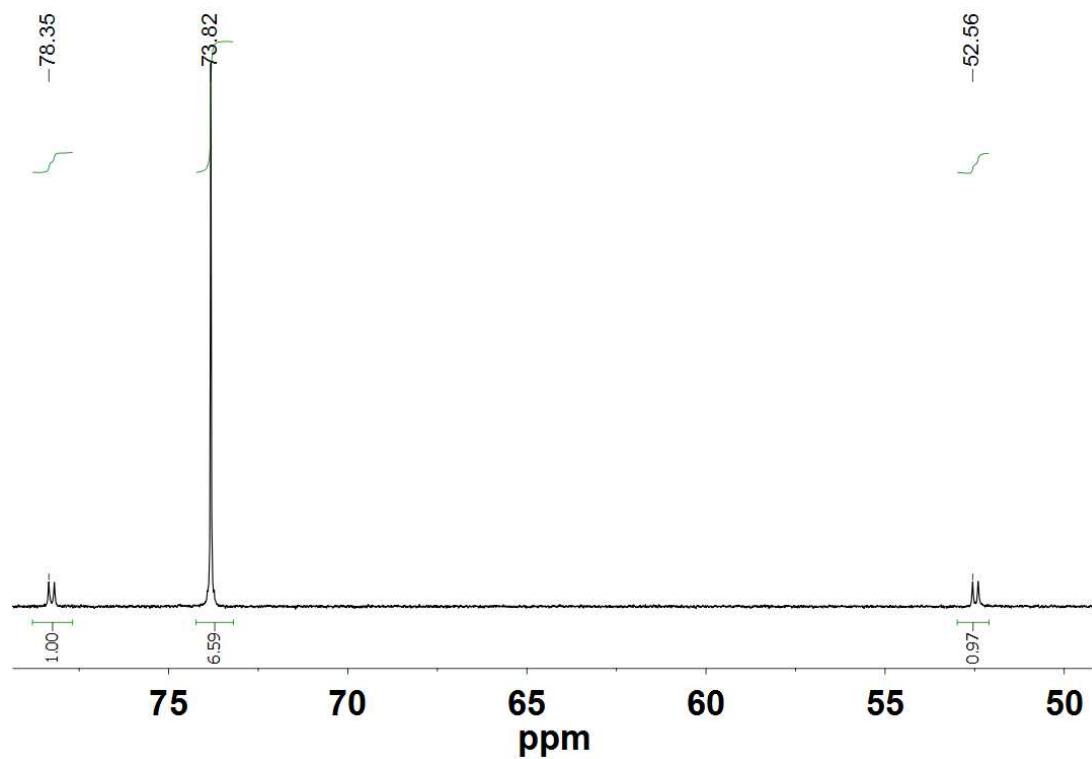
**Figure S17.** <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum (202 MHz) of Fe(pdt)(CO)<sub>2</sub>(dcpe) (**1f**) in CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solution.



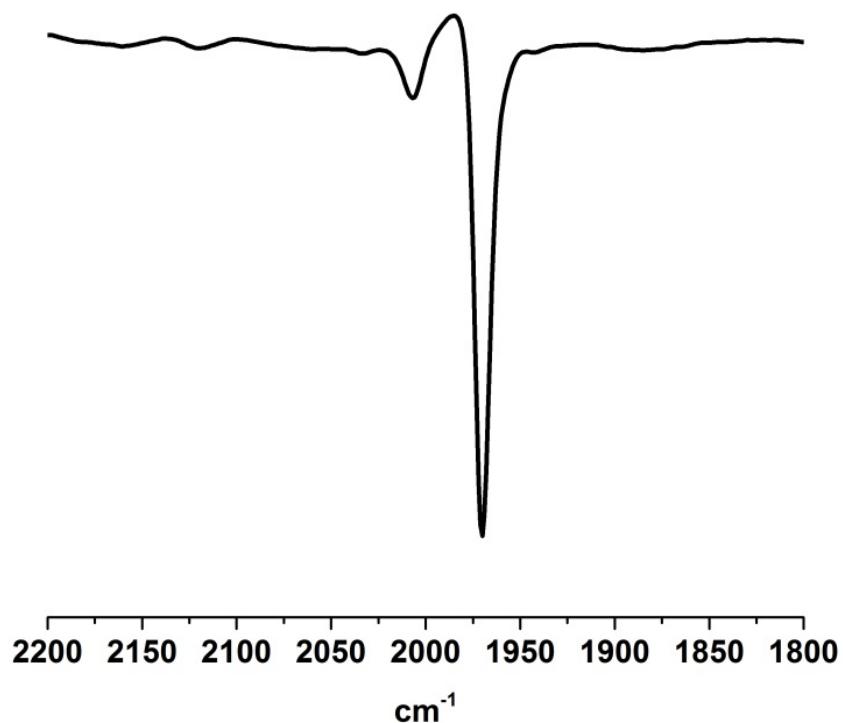
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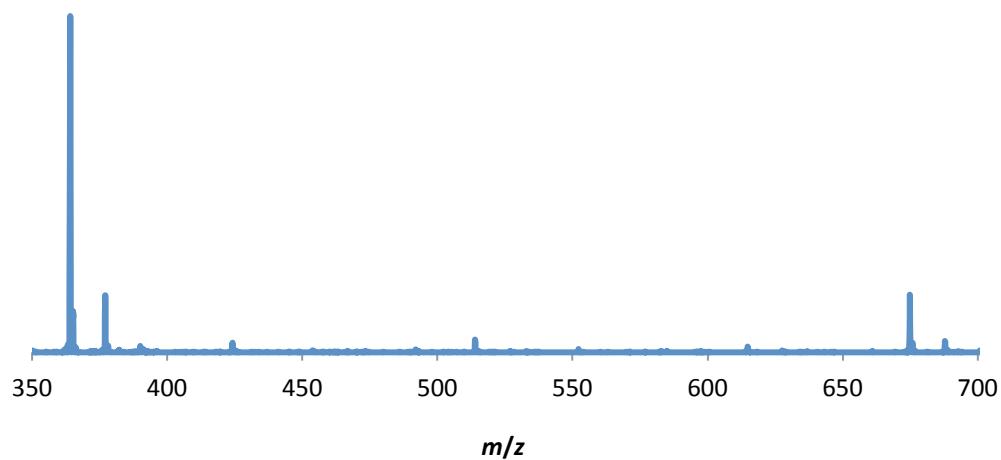
**Figure S19.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (500 MHz) of Fe(Me<sub>2</sub>pdt)(CO)<sub>2</sub>(dppe) (**1g**) in CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solution.



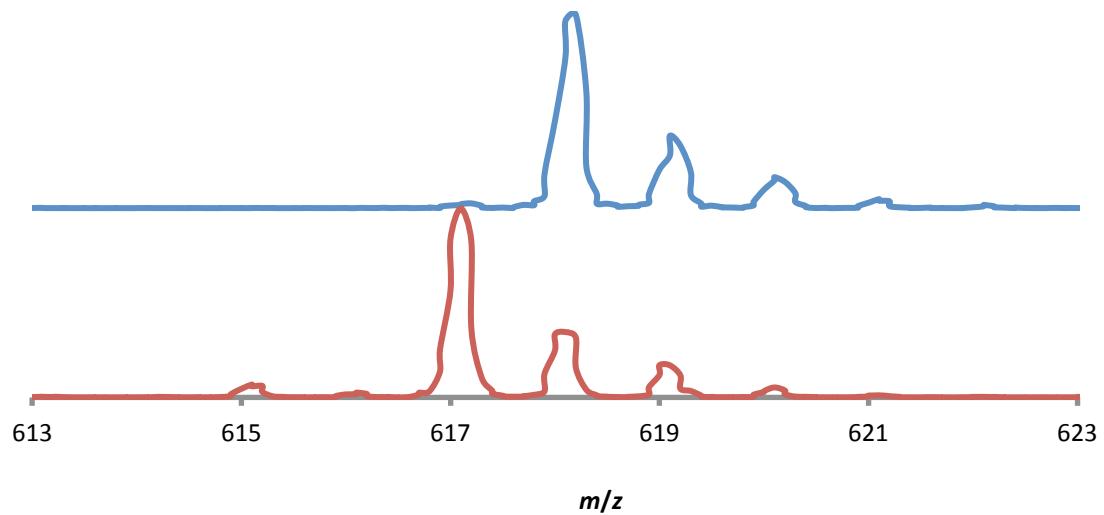
**Figure S20.** <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum (202 MHz) of Fe(Me<sub>2</sub>pdt)(CO)<sub>2</sub>(dppe) (**1g**) in CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solution.



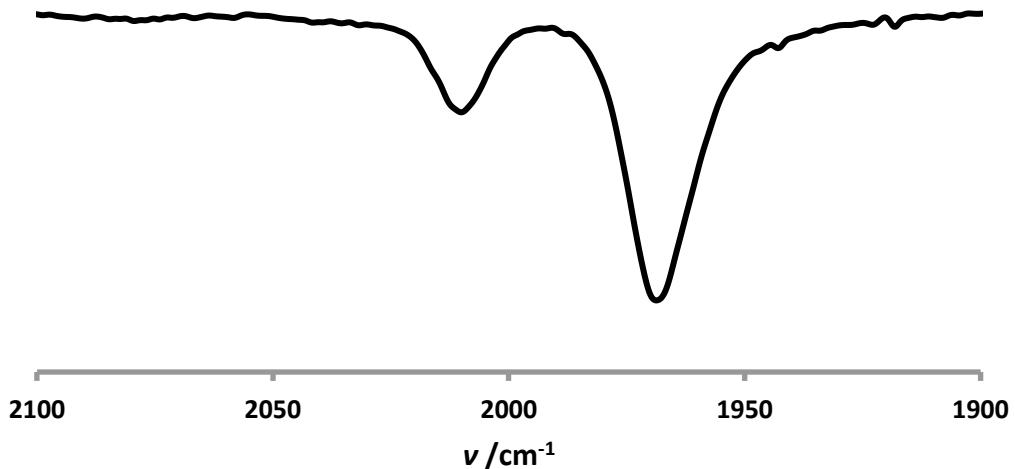
**Figure S21.** IR spectrum of  $\text{Fe}(\text{Me}_2\text{pdt})(\text{CO})_2(\text{dppe})$  (**1g**) in THF solution.



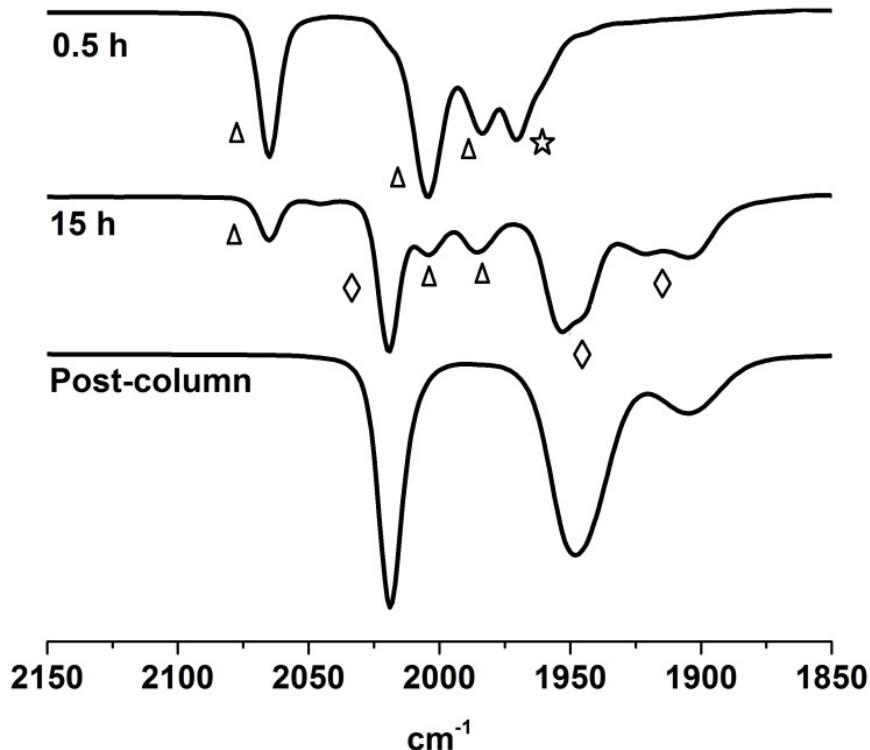
**Figure S22.** Positive ion ESI mass spectrum of  $^{57}\text{Fe}_2\text{I}_4(\text{iPrOH})_4$ .



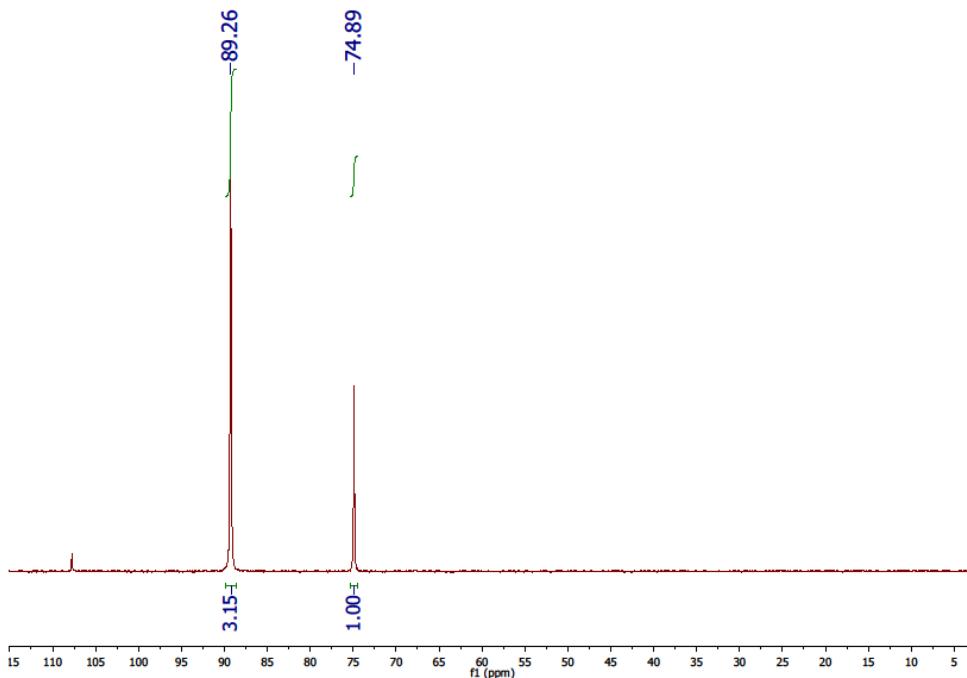
**Figure S23.** Positive ion ESI mass spectrum of *cis/trans*-[ $^{57}\text{Fe}(\text{pdt})(\text{CO})_2(\text{dppe})$ ] ( $^{57}\text{1d}$ , top) and *cis/trans*-[ $\text{Fe}(\text{pdt})(\text{CO})_2(\text{dppe})$ ] ( $\text{1d}$ , bottom) prepared using the same method.



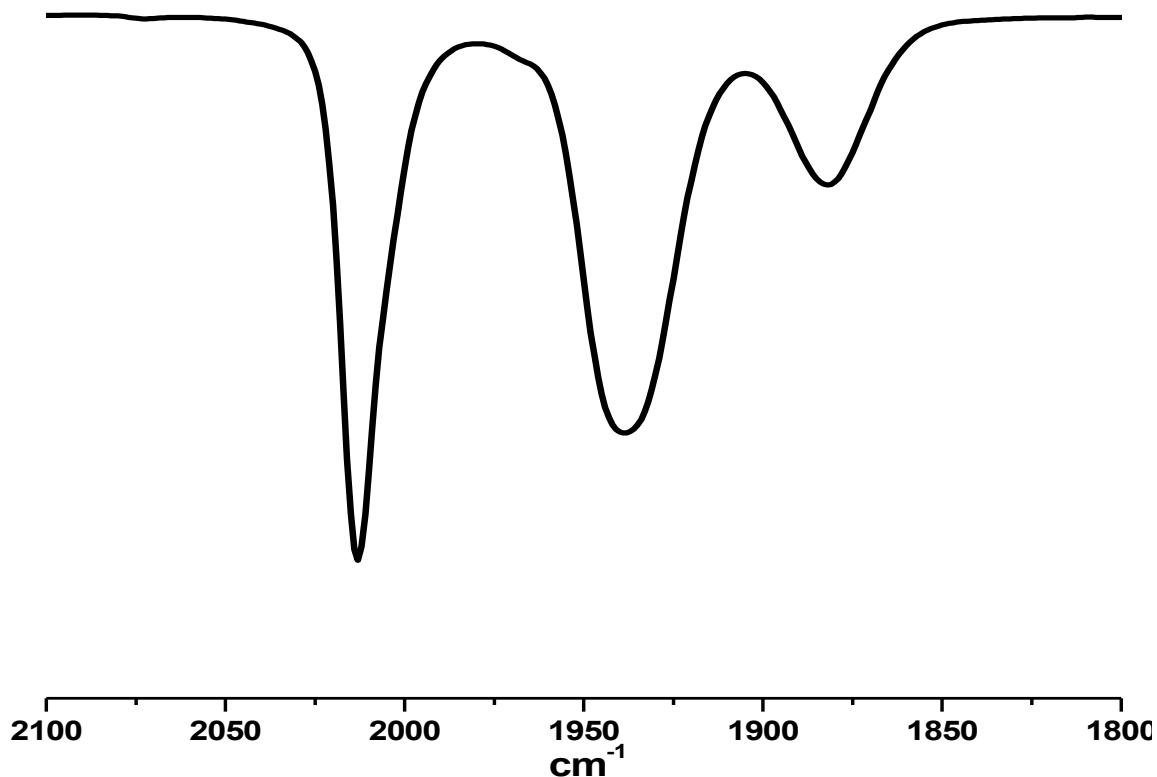
**Figure S24.** IR spectrum of *cis/trans*-[ $^{57}\text{Fe}(\text{pdt})(\text{CO})_2(\text{dppe})$ ] ( $^{57}\text{1d}$ ) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution.



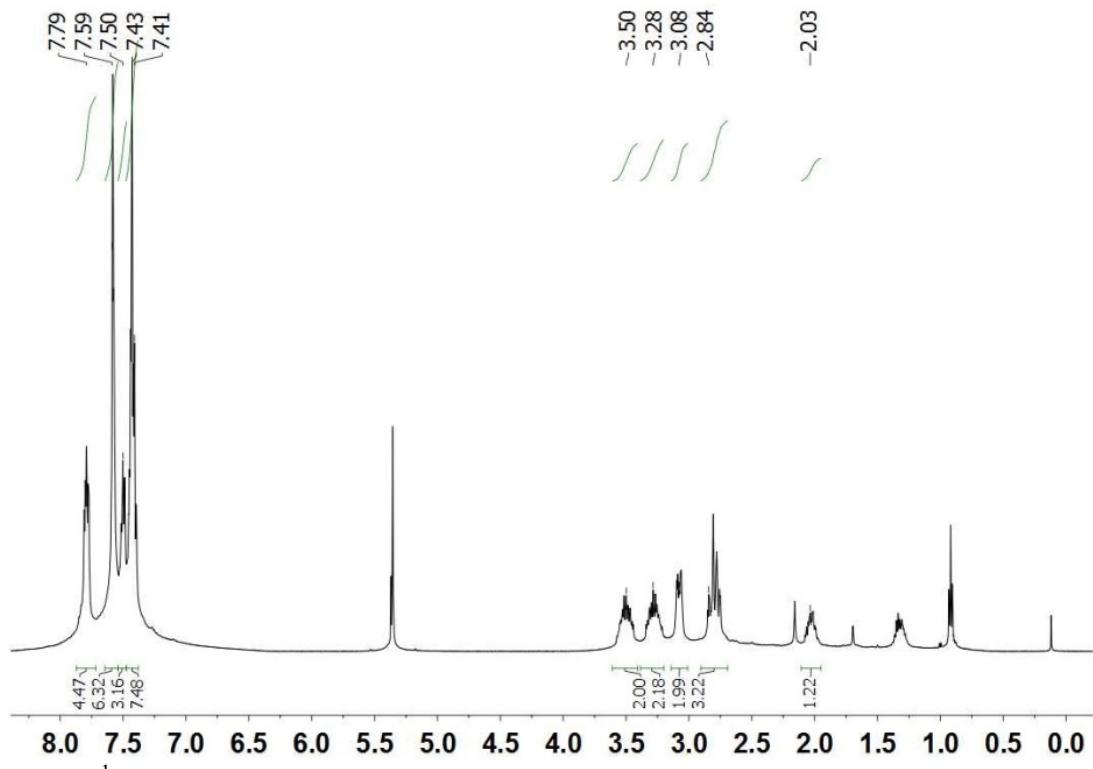
**Figure S25.** IR spectra of two stages in the reaction (bda)Fe(CO)<sub>3</sub> (triangle) + Fe(pdt)(CO)<sub>2</sub>(dppe) (**1d**) (star), and the purified Fe<sub>2</sub>(pdt)(CO)<sub>4</sub>(dppe) (**2d**) (diamond).



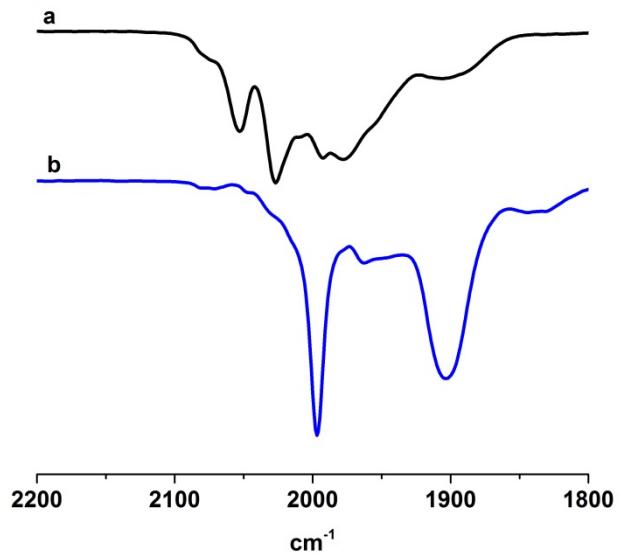
**Figure S26.** <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum of Fe<sub>2</sub>(pdt)(dcpe)(CO)<sub>4</sub> (**2f**) in CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. Signal at 107 is impurity present as less than 2%.



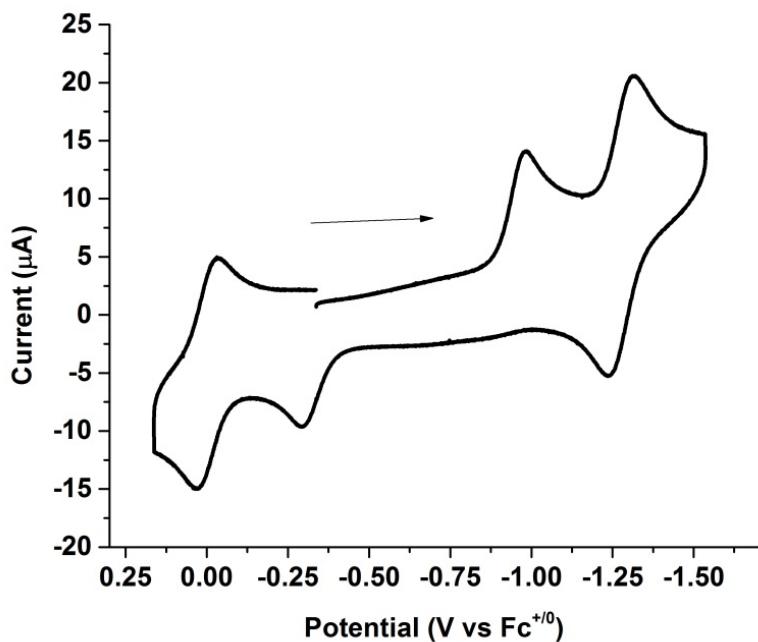
**Figure S27.** IR spectra of purified  $\text{Fe}_2(\text{pdt})(\text{CO})_4(\text{dcpe})$  (**2f**) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ .



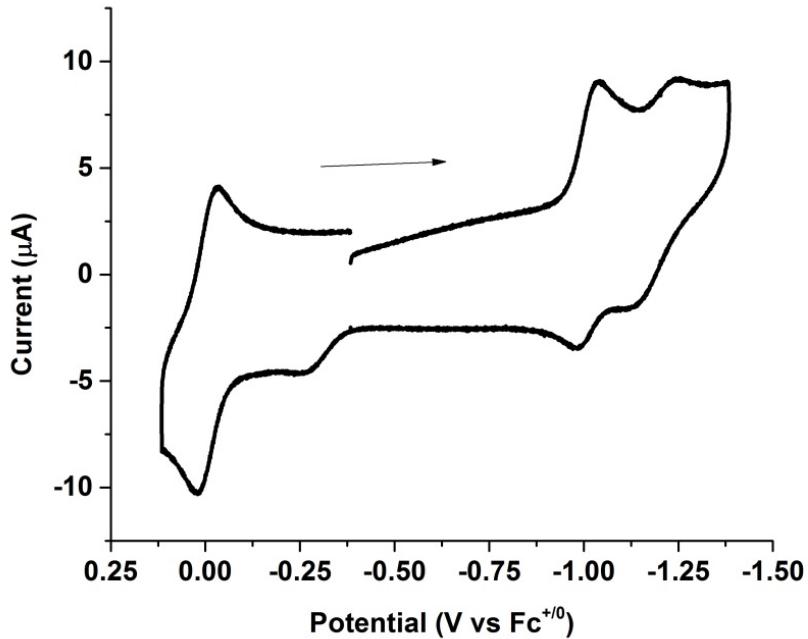
**Figure S28.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of  $[(\text{CO})_3\text{Mn}(\text{pdt})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_2(\text{dppe})]\text{BF}_4$  ( $[\mathbf{3d}(\text{CO})]\text{BF}_4$ ) in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ .



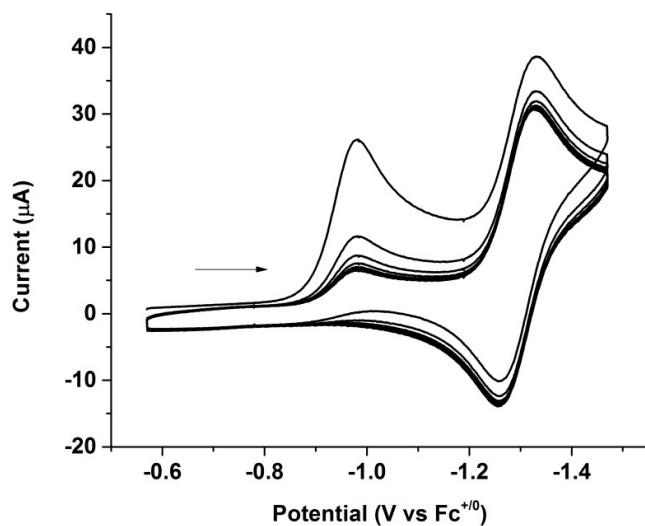
**Figure S29.** IR spectrum of (a)  $[(\text{CO})_3\text{Mn}(\text{pdt})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_2(\text{dppe})]\text{BF}_4$  ( $[\mathbf{3d}(\text{CO})]\text{BF}_4$ ) at  $25^\circ\text{C}$  and (b)  $(\text{CO})_3\text{Mn}(\text{pdt})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})(\text{dppe})$  (**3d**) at  $-78^\circ\text{C}$  in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ .



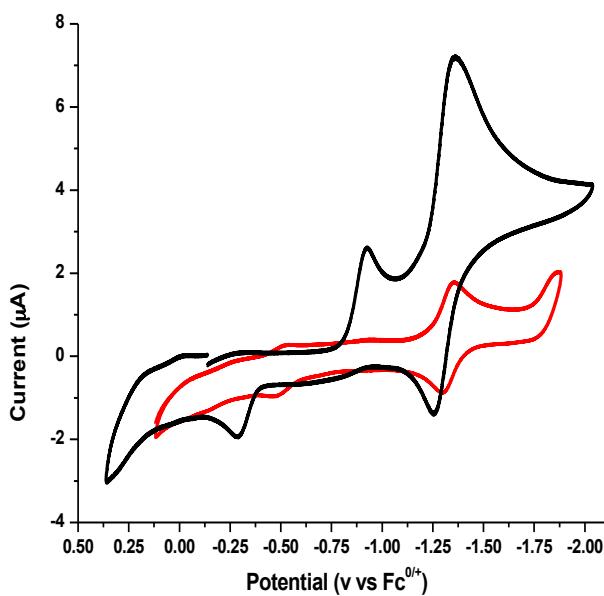
**Figure S30.** Cyclic voltammogram of 1.0 mM  $[(\text{CO})_3\text{Mn}(\text{pdt})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_2(\text{dppe})]\text{BF}_4$  ( $[\mathbf{3d}(\text{CO})]\text{BF}_4$ ) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  at 25 °C. Conditions are described in the caption for Figure S42 but in this experiment, the scan rate was 1.0 V/s.



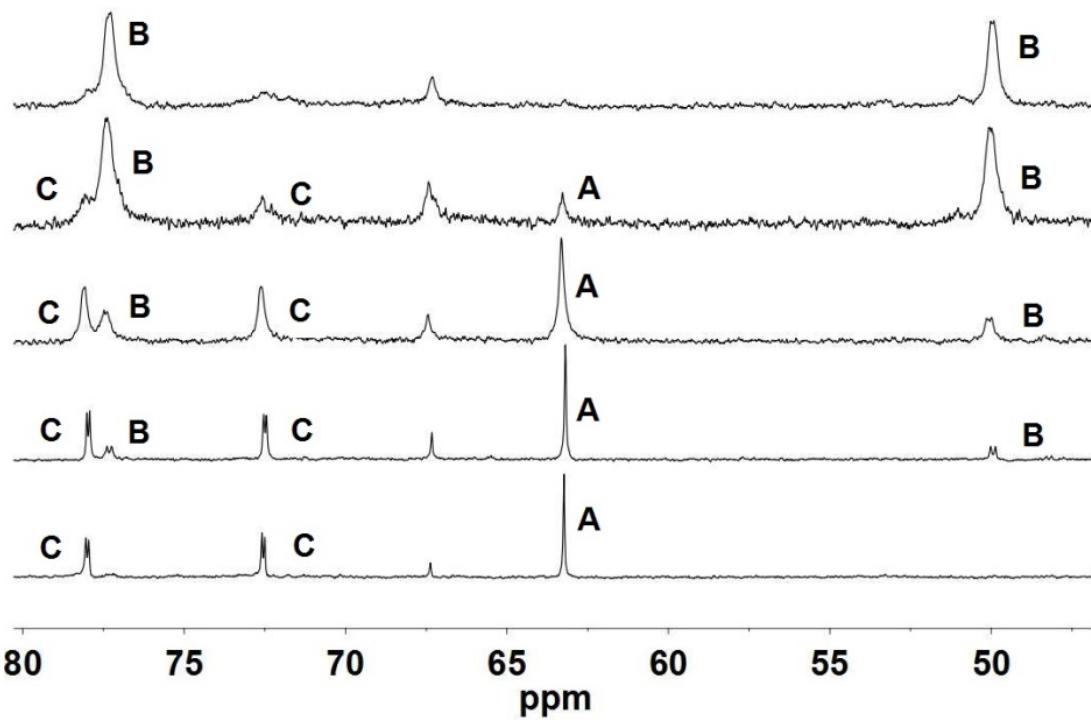
**Figure S31.** Cyclic voltammogram of 1.0 mM  $[(\text{CO})_3\text{Mn}(\text{pdt})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_2(\text{dppe})]\text{BF}_4$  ( $[\mathbf{3d}(\text{CO})]\text{BF}_4$ ) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  at -78 °C. Conditions are described in the caption for Figure S42.



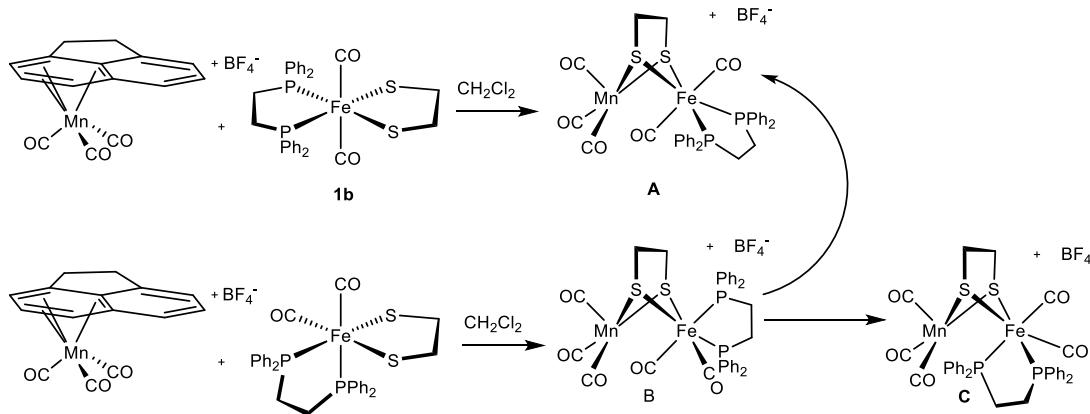
**Figure S32.** Cyclic voltammogram of  $[(CO)_3Mn(pdt)Fe(CO)_2(dppe)]BF_4$  in  $CH_2Cl_2$ , scanning 20 segments without disturbing the solution or polishing the working electrode. Conditions are described in the caption for Figure S42 but in this experiment, the scan rate was 1.0 V/s.

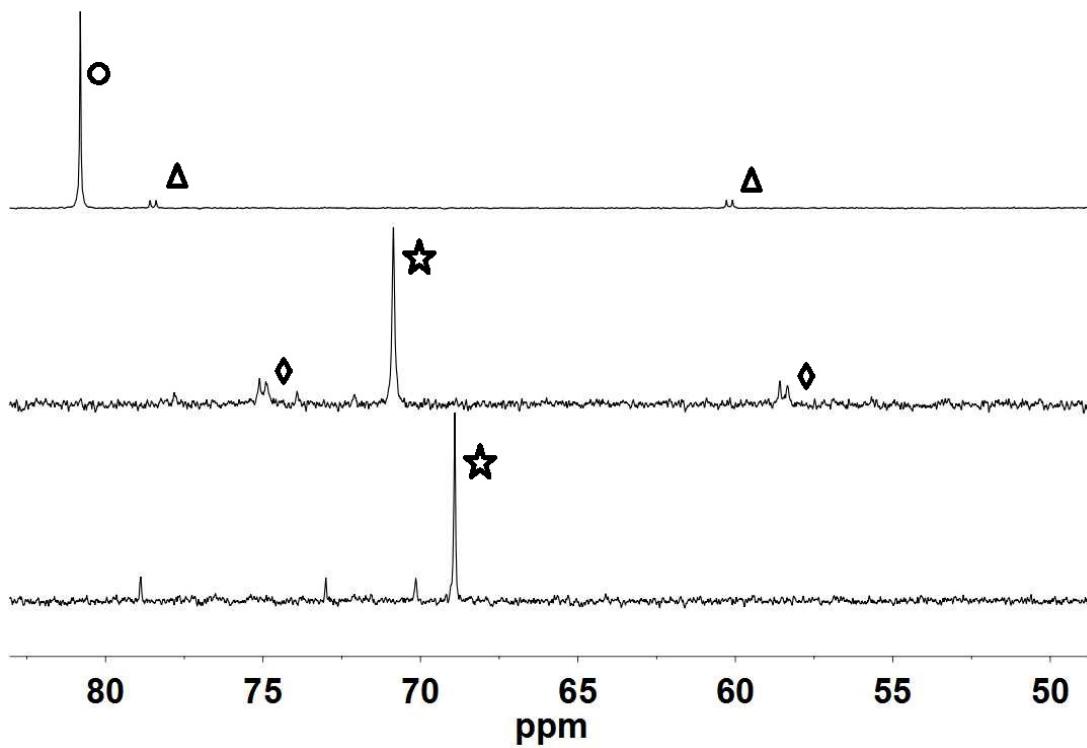


**Figure S33.** Black trace: Cyclic voltammogram of 1.0 mM  $[(CO)_3Mn(pdt)Fe(CO)_2(dppe)]BF_4$  ( $[3d(CO)]BF_4$ ) in THF at 25 °C. Red Trace: Cyclic voltammogram of 1.0 mM  $(CO)_3Mn(pdt)Fe(CO)(dppe)$  under identical conditions.  
Conditions: see Figure S42.

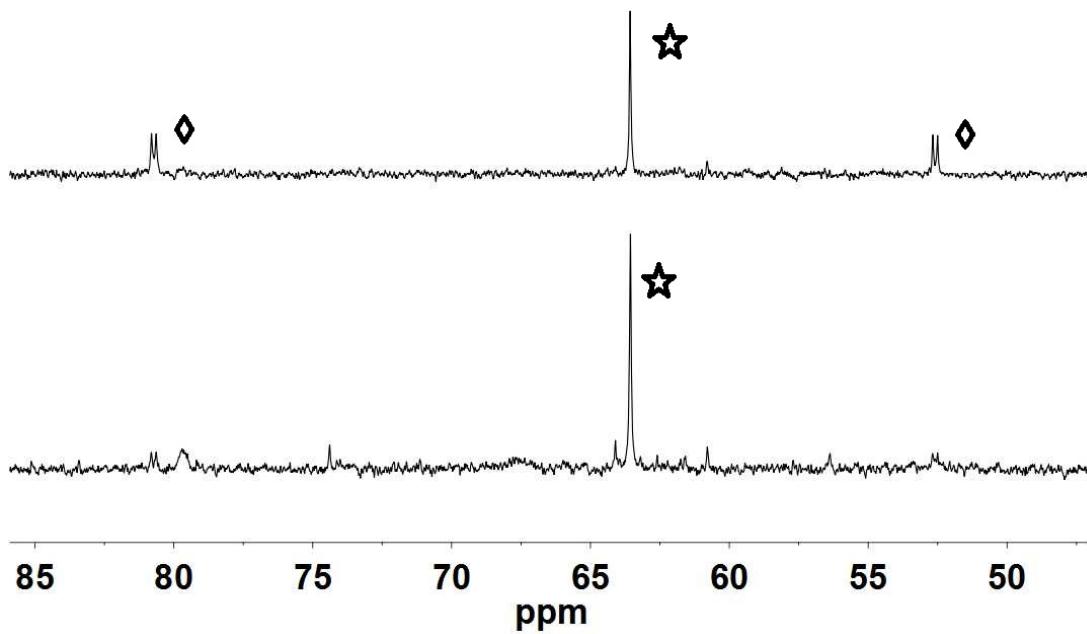


**Figure S34.**  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectra for stages in the reaction of a 1:1 mixture of  $[\text{(acenaphthene)}\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_3]\text{BF}_4$  with  $\text{Fe}(\text{edt})(\text{CO})_2(\text{dppe})$  (**1b**) in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution at  $20^\circ\text{C}$ . From top to bottom reaction time = 15 min, 3.5 h, 30 h, 48 h, 3 weeks). Proposed reaction pathway and isomer assignments are shown below.

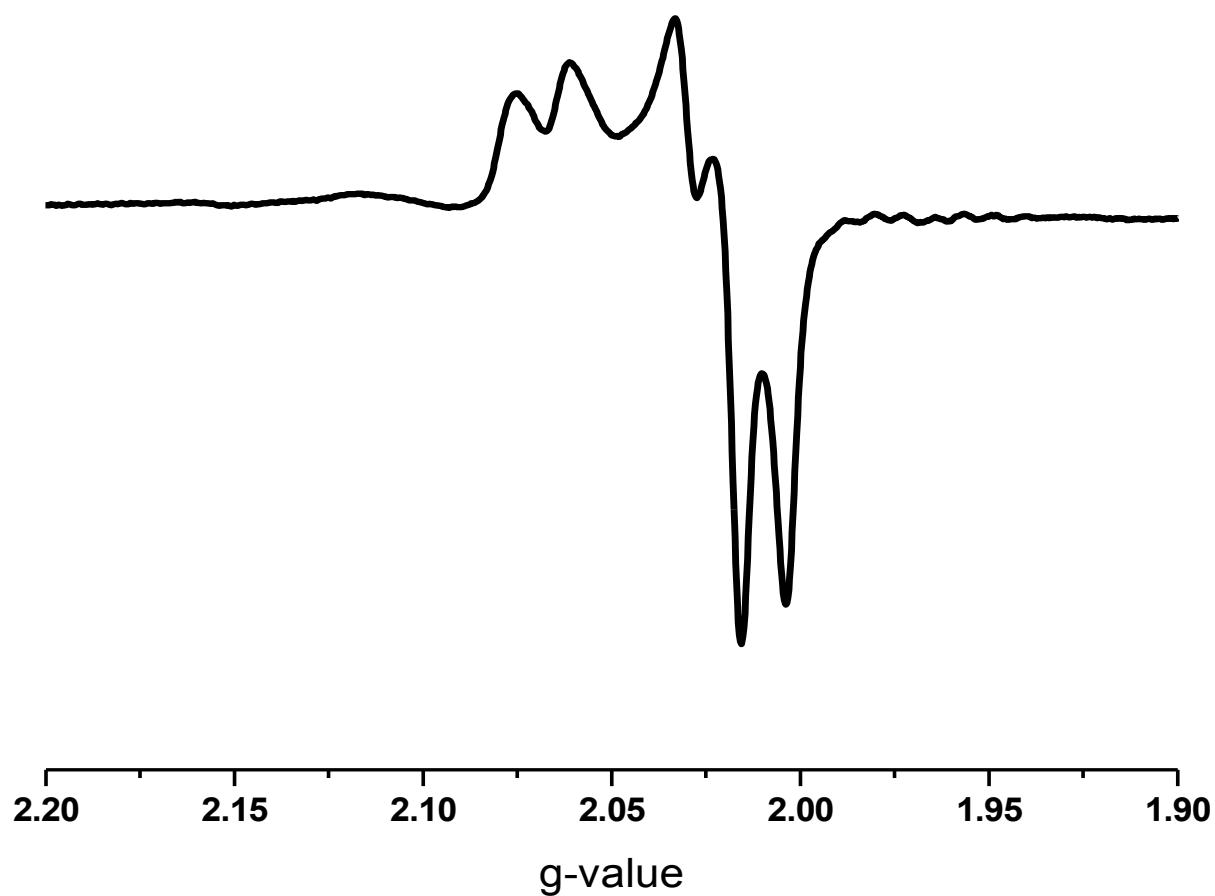




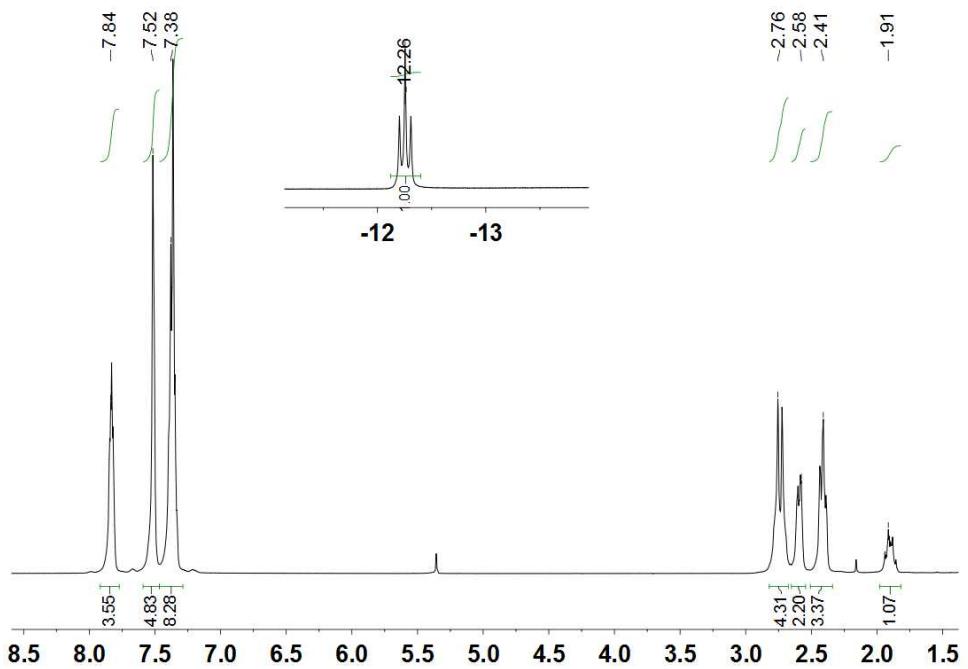
**Figure S35.**  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectra related to the reaction of  $\text{Fe}(\text{pdt})(\text{CO})_2(\text{dppbz})$  (**1e**) and  $[(\text{acenaphthene})\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_3]\text{BF}_4$  to give  $[(\text{CO})_4\text{Mn}(\text{pdt})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})(\text{dppbz})]\text{BF}_4$  ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solutions):  
*Top:* *unsym*-**1e** (triangle) and *sym*-**1e** (circle).  
*Middle:* **1e** +  $[(\text{acenaphthene})\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_3]\text{BF}_4$  after 3 h (diamond = *unsym*- $[(\text{CO})_4\text{Mn}(\text{pdt})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})(\text{dppbz})]^+$ , star = *sym*- $[(\text{CO})_4\text{Mn}(\text{pdt})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})(\text{dppbz})]^+$ )  
*Bottom:* Same mixture was allowed to stand 12 h, evaporated and recrystallized from  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{hexanes}$  (signals at  $\delta$  73.1 and 70.2 are unknown impurities).



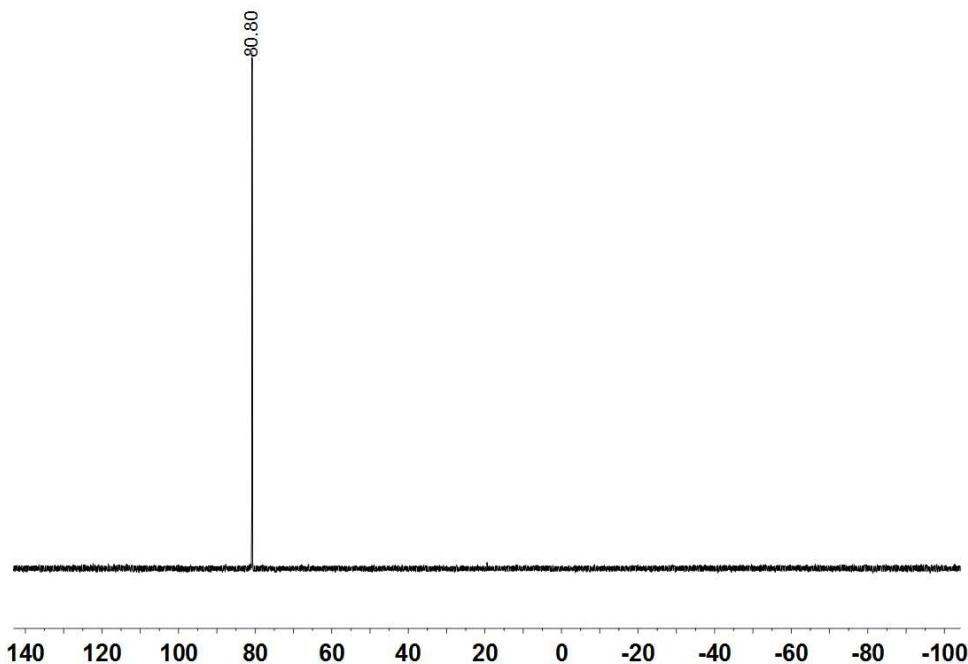
**Figure S36.**  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectra related to the reaction of  $\text{Fe}(\text{pdt})(\text{CO})_2(\text{dcpe})$  (**1f**) and  $[(\text{acenaphthene})\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_3]\text{BF}_4$  to give  $[(\text{CO})_4\text{Mn}(\text{pdt})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})(\text{dcpe})]\text{BF}_4$  ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solutions):  
*Top:* *unsym*-**1f** (diamonds) and *sym*-**1f** (stars).  
*Bottom:* **1f** +  $[(\text{acenaphthene})\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_3]\text{BF}_4$  after 16 h.



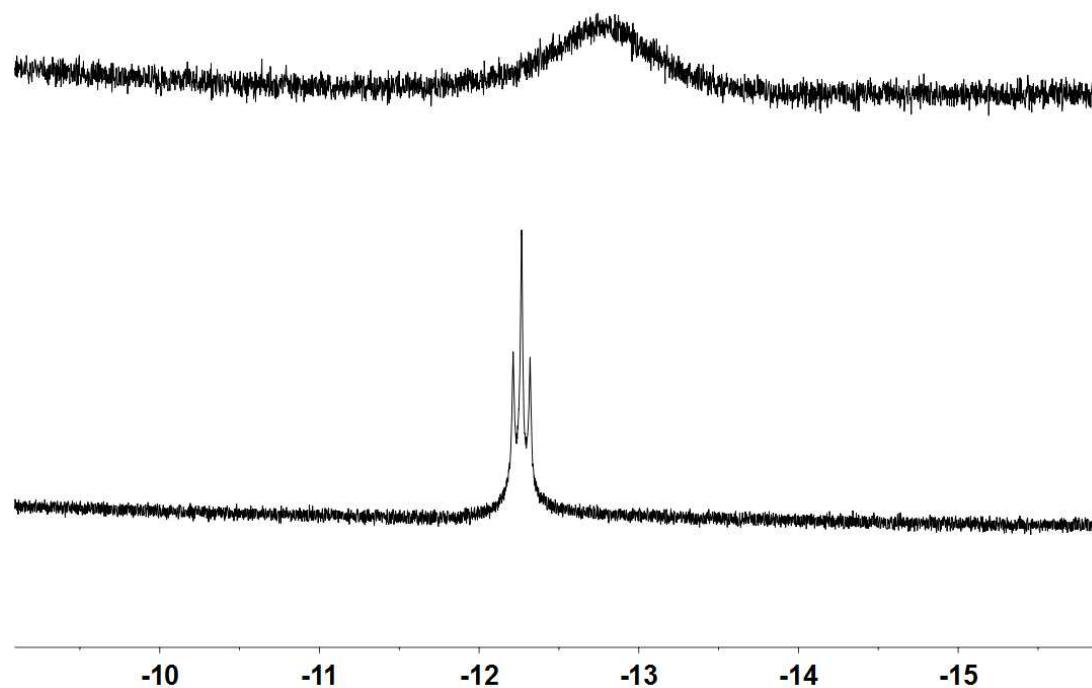
**Figure S37.** X-band EPR spectra of a mixture of  $[(\text{CO})_3\text{Mn}(\text{pdt})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_2(\text{dppe})]\text{BF}_4$  ( $[\mathbf{3d}(\text{CO})]\text{BF}_4$ ) and  $\text{Cp}_2\text{Co}$  in 4:1 mixture of THF and toluene frozen at 77 K.



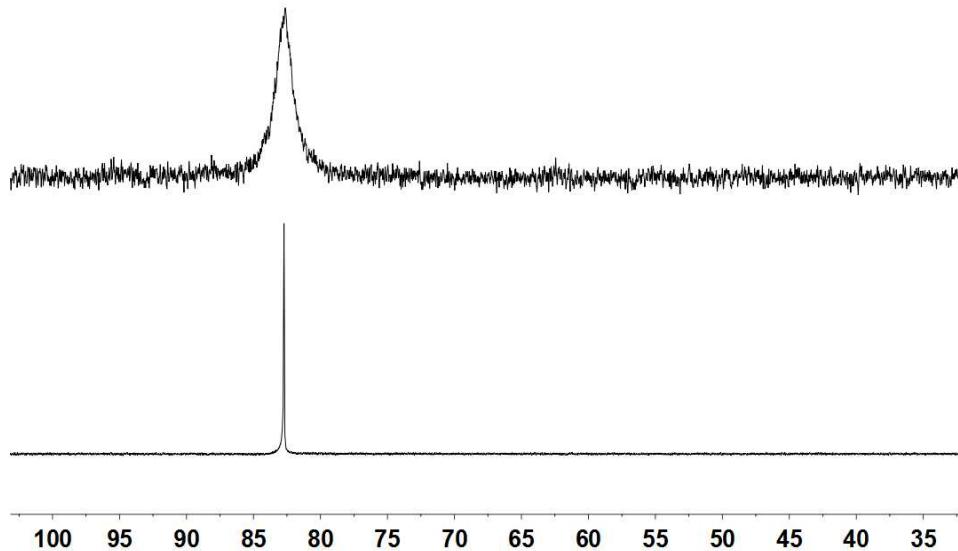
**Figure S38.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of  $(\text{CO})_3\text{Mn}(\text{pdt})(\mu\text{-H})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})(\text{dppe})$  (**H3d**) in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution (Inset: High field region of spectrum, showing signal for the hydride ligand).



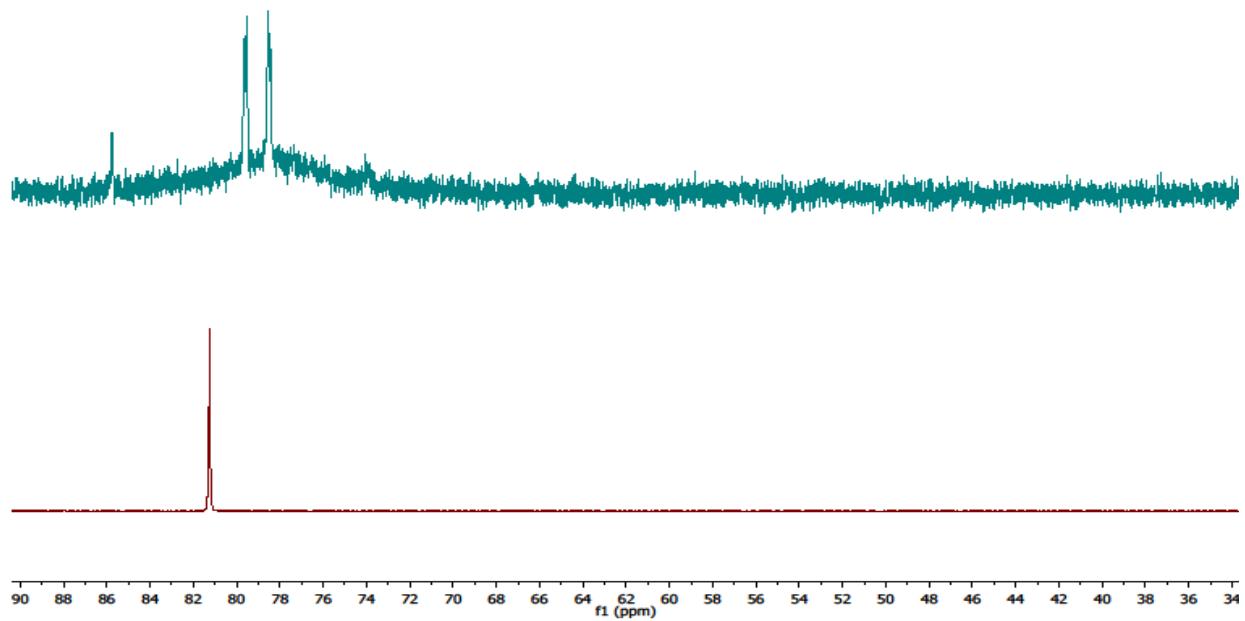
**Figure S39.**  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectrum of  $(\text{CO})_3\text{Mn}(\text{pdt})(\mu\text{-H})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})(\text{dppe})$  (**H3d**) in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution.



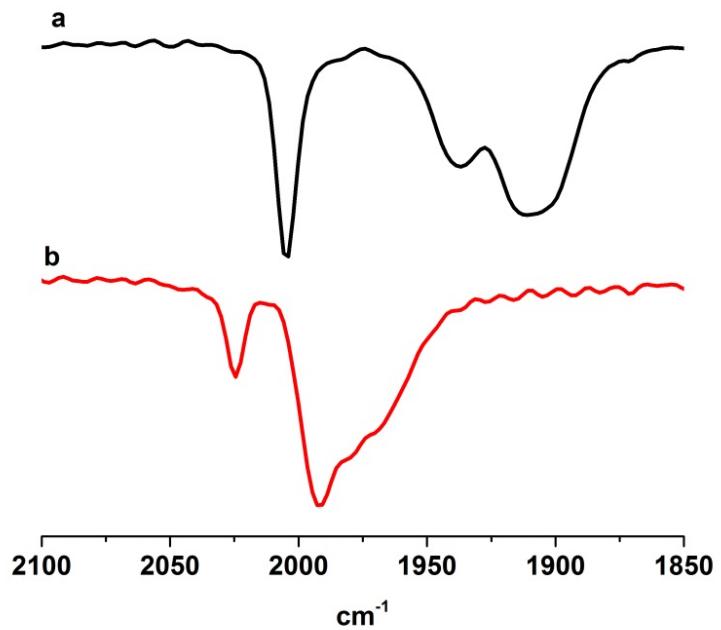
**Figure S40.** High field region of the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of H3d (bottom) and a 1:1 mixture of H3 and [H(Et<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>]BAr<sup>F</sup><sub>24</sub> (top) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solution.



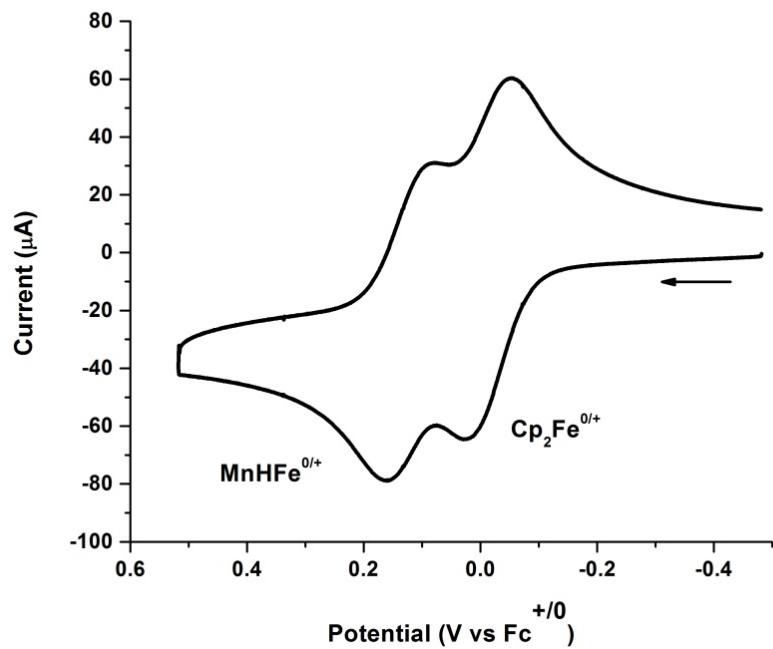
**Figure S41.**  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectra of **H3d** (bottom) and of a 1:1 mixture of **H3d** and  $[\text{H}(\text{Et}_2\text{O})_2]\text{BAr}^{\text{F}}_{24}$  (top) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution.



**Figure S42.**  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectra of H3 (bottom) and of a 1:2 mixture of H3d and  $[\text{H}(\text{Et}_2\text{O})_2]\text{BAr}_{24}^{\text{F}}$  (top). For the top spectrum,  $J_{\text{P-P}}$  is 21.5 Hz. The signal at  $\delta$ 86 is an unidentified impurity. Note: When the protonation was conducted under an atmosphere of CO, however, the IR spectrum of the reaction mixture did not indicate formation of  $[\mathbf{3}(\text{CO})]^+$ .



**Figure S43.** IR spectra of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solutions of (a) (CO)<sub>3</sub>Mn(pdt)(μ-H)Fe(CO)(dppe) (**H3d**) before and after treatment with FcBF<sub>4</sub>.



**Figure S44.** Cyclic voltammogram of  $(CO)_3Mn(pdt)(\mu\text{-H})Fe(CO)(dppe)$  (**H3d**) in  $CH_2Cl_2$  solution. *Conditions:*

1.0 mM  $(CO)_3Mn(pdt)(\mu\text{-H})Fe(CO)(dppe)$

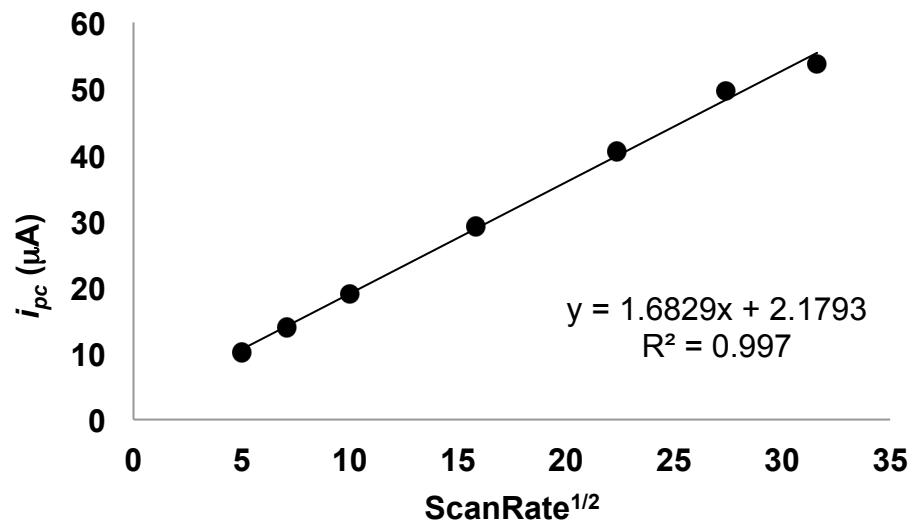
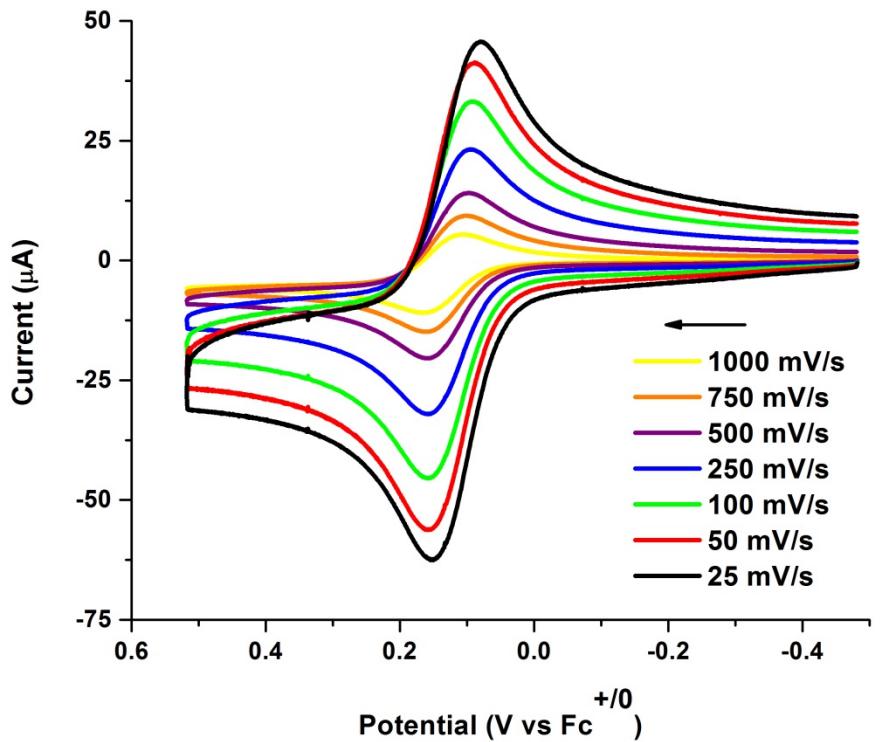
0.1 M  $[Bu_4N]PF_6$

working electrode: glassy carbon

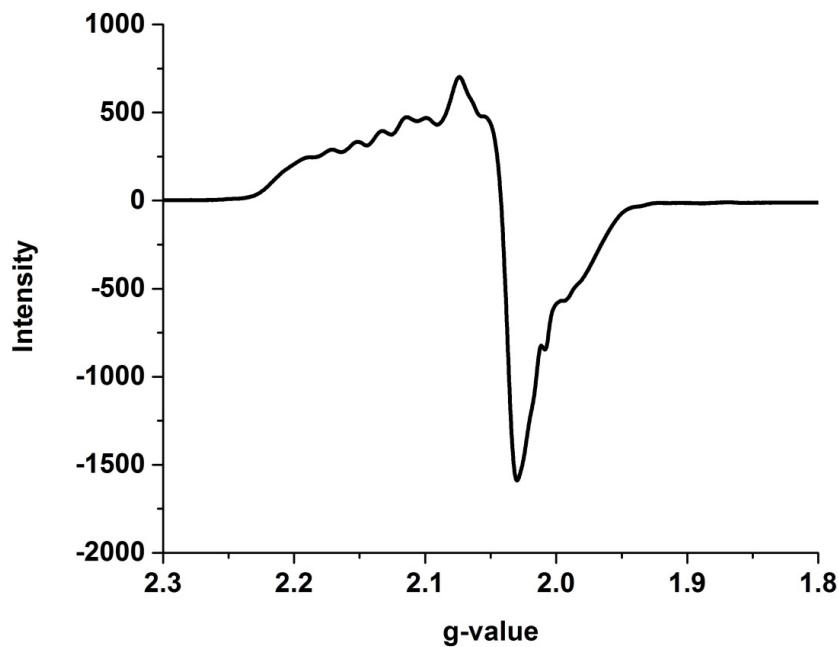
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pseudoreference electrode: Ag

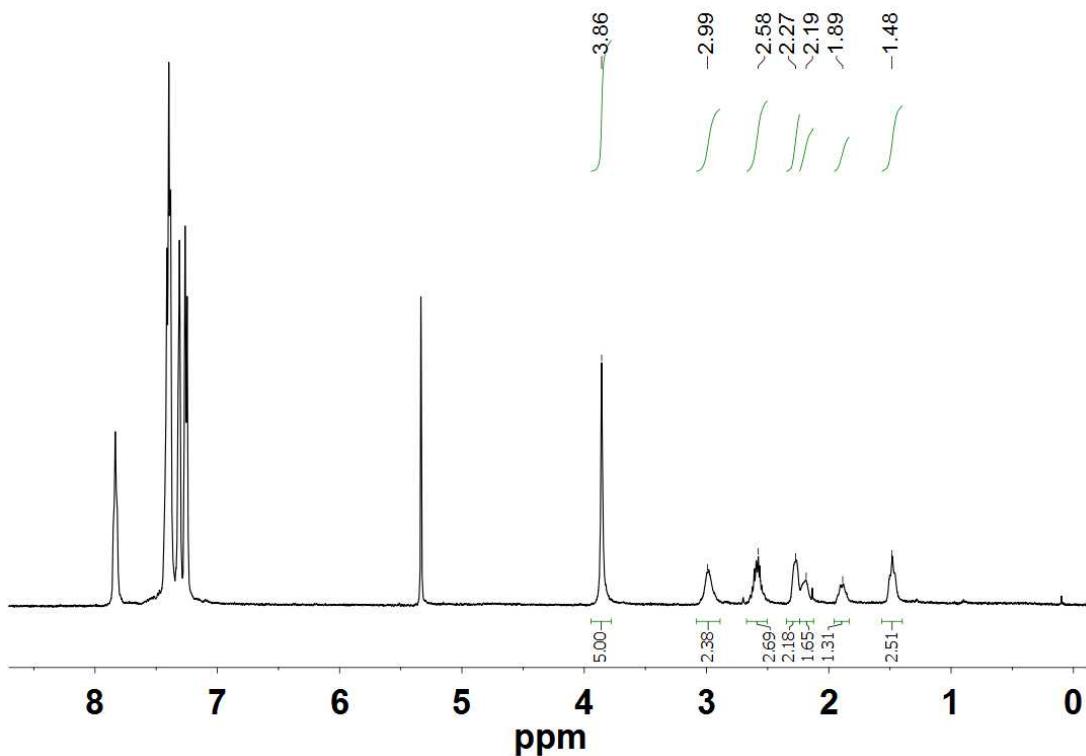
scan rate = 0.5 V/s



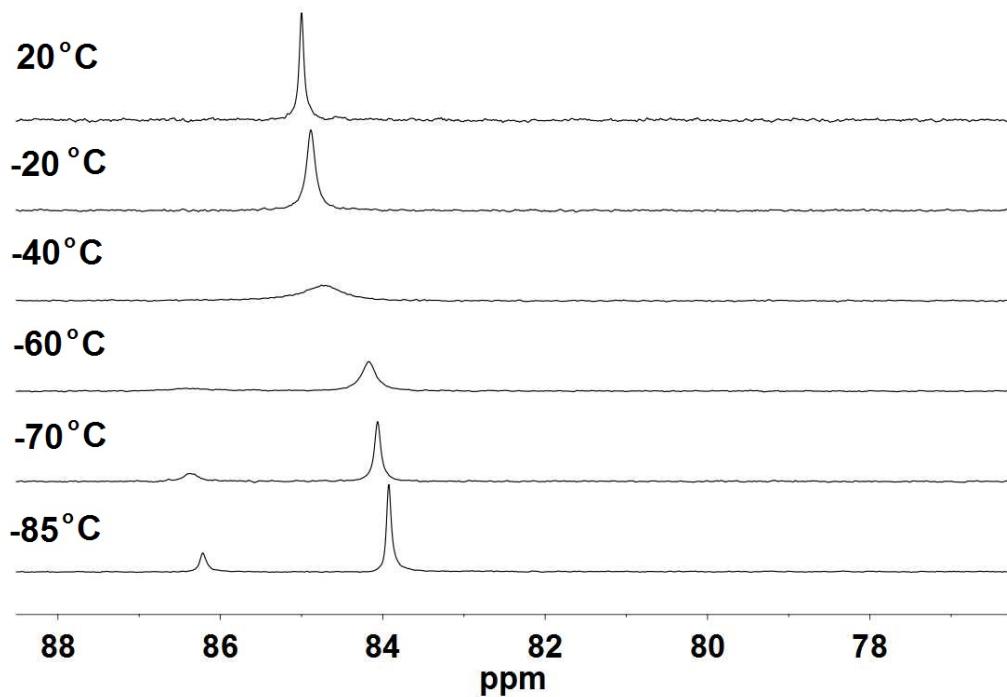
**Figure S45.** Cyclic voltammograms of (CO)<sub>3</sub>Mn(pdt)( $\mu$ -H)Fe(CO)(dppe) (H3d) at various scan rates (top) and plot of  $i_{pc}/(\text{scan rate})^{1/2}$  (bottom).  
*Conditions:* See Figure S42.



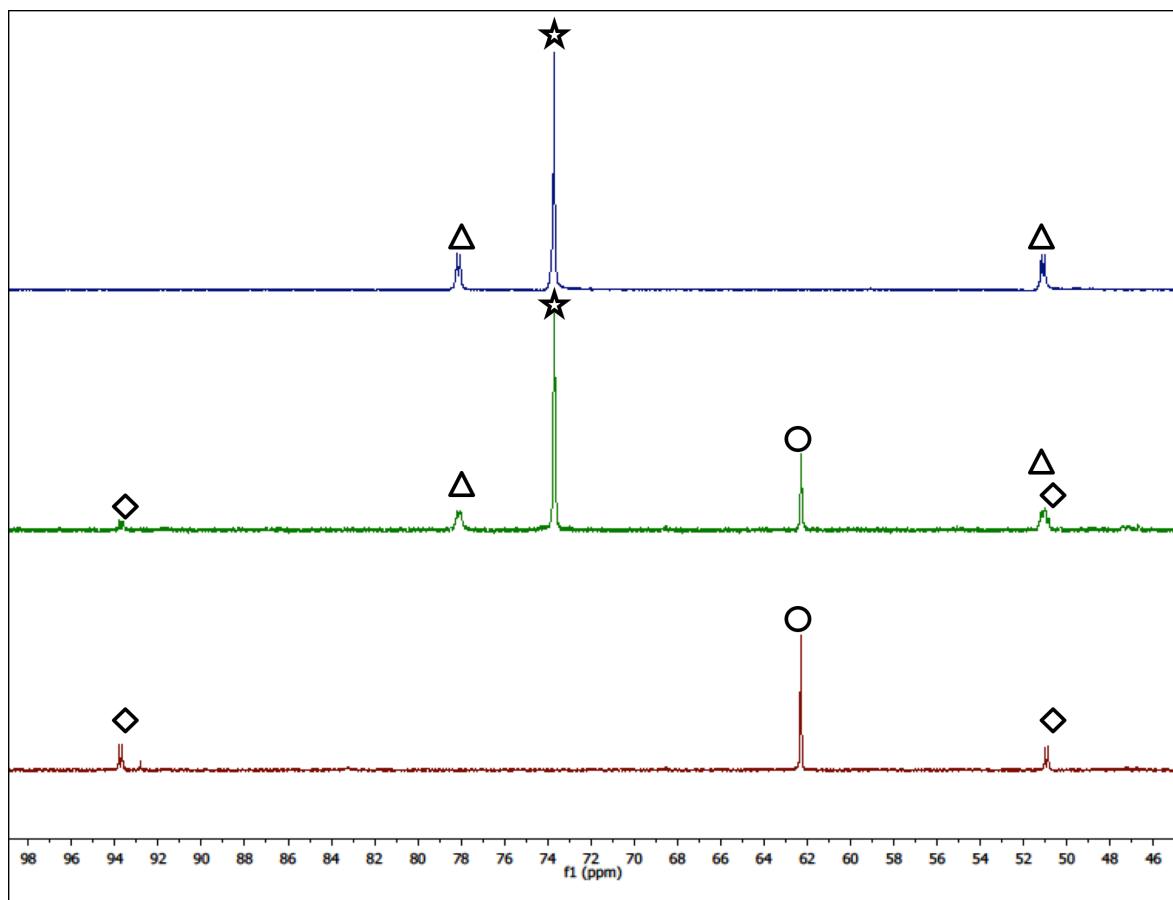
**Figure S46.** X-band EPR spectrum of a frozen (110 K) mixture of  $(CO)_3Mn(pdt)(\mu\text{-}H)Fe(CO)(dppe)$  (**H3**) and  $[acetylFc]BAr_{24}^F$  in 3:1 toluene: $CH_2Cl_2$  solution.



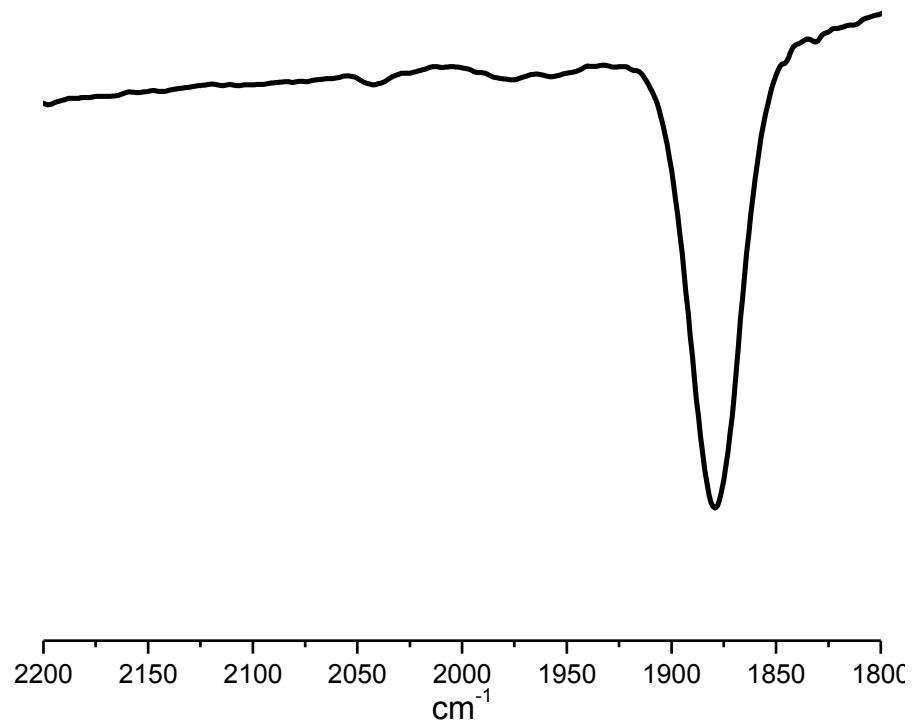
**Figure S47.**  ${}^1H$  NMR spectrum of  $CpCo(pdt)Fe(CO)(dppe)$  (**4d**) in  $CD_2Cl_2$  solution.



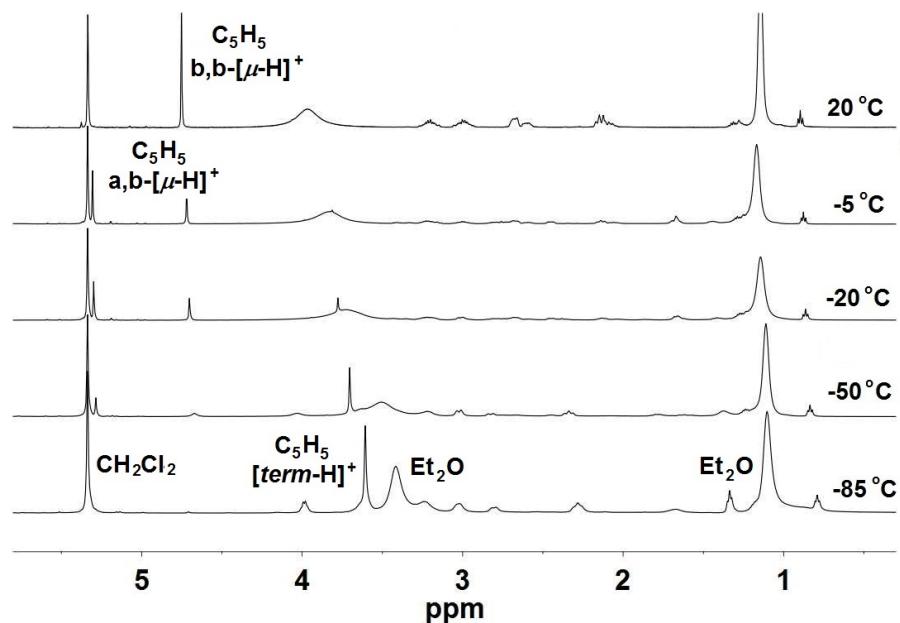
**Figure S48.**  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectrum of  $\text{CpCo}(\text{pdt})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})(\text{dppe})$  (**4d**) in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution at various temperatures.



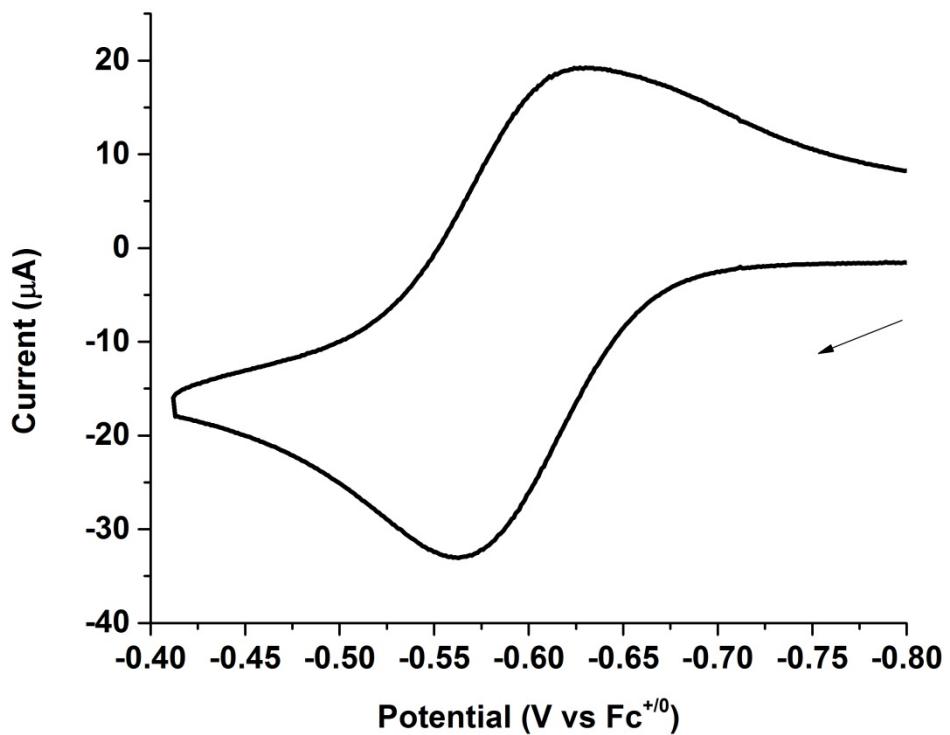
**Figure S49.**  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectra related to the reaction of  $\text{Fe}(\text{pdt})(\text{CO})_2(\text{dppe})$  (**1d**) and  $\text{CpCo}(\text{CO})\text{I}_2$  to give  $[\text{CpCo}(\text{pdt})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})(\text{dppe})]\text{I}$  ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solutions):  
 Top: *unsym*-**1d** (triangle) and *sym*-**1d** (star).  
 Middle: **1d** +  $\text{CpCo}(\text{CO})\text{I}_2$  after 30 min. (diamond = *unsym*- $[\text{CpCo}(\text{pdt})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})(\text{dppe})]^+$ , circle = *sym*- $[\text{CpCo}(\text{pdt})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})(\text{dppe})]^+$ ).  
 Bottom: Same mixture as in middle spectrum, but recorded after a total of 100 min.



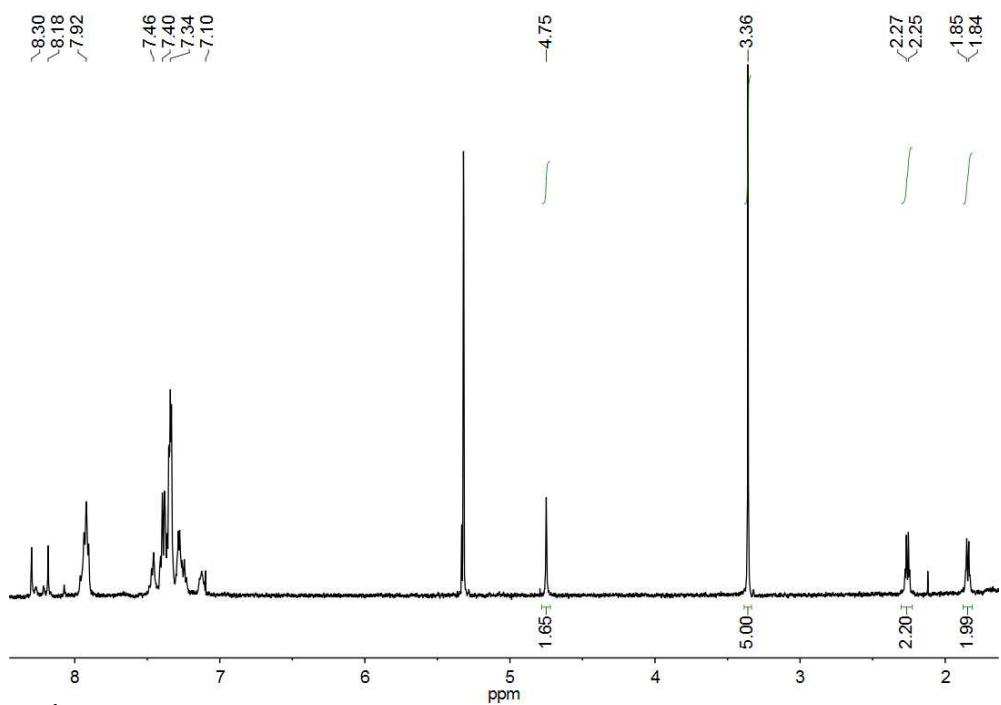
**Figure S50.** IR spectrum of  $\text{CpCo}(\text{pdt})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})(\text{dppe})$  (**4d**) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ .



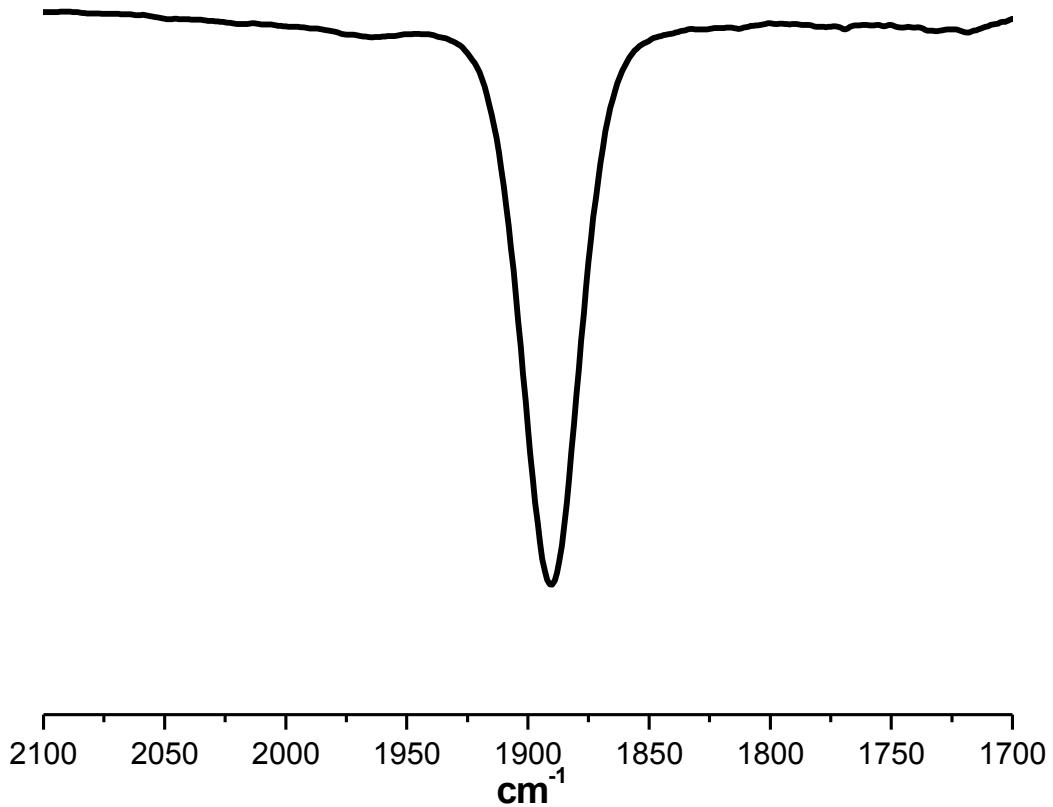
**Figure S51.** Low field portion of  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra for the low-temperature ( $-85^\circ\text{C}$ ) protonation of  $\text{CpCo}(\text{pdt})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})(\text{dppe})$  (**4d**) with one equiv  $[\text{H}(\text{OEt}_2)_2]\text{BAr}^{\text{F}}_4$  in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$  followed by warming to the indicated temperatures. For the high field portion of the same spectra, see Figure 9 in the paper.



**Figure S52.** Cyclic voltammogram of  $\text{CpCo}(\text{pdt})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})_2(\text{dppe})$  (**4d**) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ .  
Conditions: See Figure S42.



**Figure S53.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of  $\text{CpCo}(\text{edt})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})(\text{dppv})$  (**4a**) in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ .



**Figure S54.** IR spectrum of  $\text{CpCo}(\text{edt})\text{Fe}(\text{CO})(\text{dppv})$  (**4a**) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ .