## **Supporting Information**

## Dioxygen Activation and O-O Bond Formation Reactions by Manganese Corroles

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complex	coordination/path	$R(\text{\AA})^a$	$\sigma^2(\text{\AA}^2)^b$	$E_0 (\mathrm{eV})$	$F^{c}$
[(TPFC)Mn <sup>III</sup> ]	4 Mn-N	1.91	470	-2.76	0.09
	6 Mn-C	2.89	863		
	12 Mn-C-N	3.15	114		
	4 Mn-C-N	3.66	938		
	8 Mn-C	4.23	575		
	8 Mn-C-N	4.78	617		
2	2 Mn-O	1.83	411	-1.43	0.15
	4 Mn-N	1.96	329		
	6 Mn-C	2.88	752		
	16 Mn-C-N	3.15	312		
	8 Mn-C-N	4.11	575		
	8 Mn-C	4.67	1208		

**Table S1**. EXAFS Least Squares Fitting Results

<sup>*a*</sup> The estimated standard deviations for the distances are in the order of  $\pm 0.02$  Å. <sup>*b*</sup> The  $\sigma^2$  values are multiplied by 10<sup>5</sup>. <sup>*c*</sup> Error is given by  $\Sigma[(\chi_{obsd} - \chi_{calcd})^2 k^6]/\Sigma[(\chi_{obsd})^2 k^6]$ . The  $S_0^2$  factor was set at 1.



**Figure S1.** UV-vis spectral changes observed for the formation of **1** (blue line) in the  $O_2$ -activation by [(TPFC)Mn<sup>III</sup>] (0.030 mM, red line) in the presence of TMAH (0.030 mM) under an air atmosphere in THF at 25 °C. Inset shows the time trace monitored at 347 nm due to the formation of **1**.



**Figure S2.** (a) UV-vis spectral changes observed in the reaction of  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}]$  (red line; 0.030 mM) and 1-(*tert*-butylsulfonyl)-2-iodosylbenzene (<sup>s</sup>PhIO, 0.060 mM) to form  $[(TPFC)Mn^{V}(O)]$  species (1; blue line) through the intermediacy of green line spectrum in CH<sub>3</sub>CN at 0 °C. Inset shows the time course monitored at 347 nm due to the formation of 1. (b) UV-vis spectral changes observed in the reaction of  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}]$  (red line; 0.030 mM) and H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (0.12 mM) in the presence of tetramethylammonium hydroxide (TMAH; 0.60 mM) to form  $[(TPFC)Mn^{IV}(O_2)]^-$  species (2; blue line) immediately in CH<sub>3</sub>CN at 0 °C.



**Figure S3.** CSI-MS spectra of (a)  $1^{-16}$ O and (b)  $1^{-18}$ O recorded in positive mode. The peaks at m/z = 864.0 and 866.0 together with their isotope distribution patterns correspond to [(TPFC)Mn(<sup>16</sup>O)] (calcd. m/z = 864.0) and [(TPFC)Mn(<sup>18</sup>O)] (calcd. m/z = 866.0), respectively.



**Figure S4.** X-band CW-EPR spectrum of **1** produced in the O<sub>2</sub>-activation reaction by  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}]$  (0.10 mM) with O<sub>2</sub> in the presence of TMAH (0.20 mM) in tetrahydrofuran (THF) at 25 °C. Spectrum was recorded at 5 K.



**Figure S5.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **1** in CD<sub>3</sub>CN at -10 °C. Chemical shifts ( $\delta = 9.72$ , 9.45, 9.24 and 9.20 ppm) are quite similar to the reported values ( $\delta = 9.6$ , 9.3, 9.12 and 9.06 ppm) of **1** in CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> at -80 °C.<sup>S1</sup>



**Figure S6.** (a) UV-vis spectral changes showing the formation of  $[(TPFcCN)Mn^{V}(O)]$  (blue line) in the O<sub>2</sub>-activation reaction by  $[(TPFcCN)Mn^{III}]$  (0.030 mM; red line) with O<sub>2</sub> in the presence of TMAH (0.060 mM) under an air atmosphere in THF at 25 °C. (b) UV-vis spectral changes showing the immediate formation of  $[(TPFcCN)Mn^{IV}(O)]$  (blue line) in the reaction of  $[(TPFcCN)Mn^{III}]$  (0.030 mM; red line) and <sup>s</sup>PhIO (0.060 mM) in CH<sub>3</sub>CN at 0 °C.



**Figure S7.** X-band CW-EPR spectra of  $[(TPFC)Mn^{IV}(O_2)]^-$  (2; blue line) and  $[(TPFcCN)Mn^{IV}(O_2)]^-$  (red line) generated in the O<sub>2</sub>-activation reaction by  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}]$  (0.50 mM) and  $[(TPFcCN)Mn^{III}]$  (0.50 mM), respectively, with O<sub>2</sub> in the presence of TMAH (10 mM) under an air atmosphere in THF at 25 °C. Spectra were recorded at 5 K.



**Figure S8**. (a) FEFF best-fits to the Fourier Transform and EXAFS data (inset) for [Mn<sup>III</sup>(TPFC)]: experimental data (black solid line) and fit (red dashed line). (b) FEFF best-fits to the Fourier Transform and EXAFS data (inset) for **2**: experimental data (black solid line) and fit (blue dashed line).



**Figure S9**. (a) UV-vis spectral changes observed in the O<sub>2</sub>-activation reaction by  $[(TPFcCN)Mn^{III}]$  (0.030 mM; red line) with O<sub>2</sub> in the presence of TMAH (0.60 mM) to form  $[(TPFcCN)Mn^{IV}(O_2)]^-$  (blue line) immediately under an air atmosphere in THF at 25 °C. (b) UV-vis spectral changes observed in the reaction of  $[(TPFcCN)Mn^{III}(OH)]^-$  (0.030 mM; red line), which was produced by adding TMAH (0.60 mM) to a CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution of  $[(TPFcCN)Mn^{III}]$  (0.030 mM) and H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (0.12 mM) to form  $[(TPFcCN)Mn^{IV}(O_2)]^-$  (blue line) immediately at 0 °C.



Figure S10. UV-vis spectral changes observed in the conversion of 1 (0.030 mM, red line) to 2 (blue line) upon addition of TMAH (0.60 mM) to a  $CH_3CN$  solution of 1 at 0 °C.



**Figure S11.** UV-vis spectral changes observed upon addition of  $HClO_4$  (0.060 mM) to a CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution **1** (red line; 0.030 mM) at 0°C, corresponding to the immediate formation of the decomposed product.<sup>S2</sup>



**Figure S12.** UV-vis spectral change observed for the formation of **3** (blue line) upon addition of TMAH (0.60 mM) to a  $CH_3CN$  solution of [(TPFC)Mn<sup>III</sup>] (0.030 mM, red line) at 25 °C.



**Figure S13.** (a) X-band EPR spectrum of  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}(OH)]^-$  (**3**) produced by adding TMAH (10 mM) to a CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution of  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}]$  (0.50 mM) at 0 °C. Spectrum was recorded at 5 K. (b) CSI-MS spectrum of **3** (0.030 mM) recorded in nagative mode in CH<sub>3</sub>CN. The peak at m/z = 947.2 corresponds to  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}(OH)(CH_3CN)_2]^-$  (calcd. m/z = 947.0).



**Figure S14.** Cyclic voltammograms of  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}]$  (2.0 mM) in the absence (red line) and presence (blue line) of TMAH (4.0 mM) under an Ar atmosphere in THF at 25 °C. The one-electron oxidation potential of  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}]$  (2.0 mM) exhibited a significant negative shift from 0.89 V vs SCE in the absence of TMAH to 0.50 V vs SCE in the presence of TMAH (4.0 mM). This negative shift may result from the binding of OH<sup>-</sup> to the one-electron oxidized  $[(TPFC)Mn^{IV}]^+$  species, which is much more acidic than  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}]$ .



**Figure S15.** Cyclic voltammograms of  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}]$  (2.0 mM) in the absence (red line) and presence (blue line) of tetrabutylammonium chloride (TMACl, 2.0 mM) in CH<sub>3</sub>CN at 25 °C.



**Figure S16.** (a) UV-vis spectral changes observed in the immediate formation of **2** (blue line) upon addition of THF (0.12 M) to a CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution of  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}(OH)]^-$  (**3**) (0.030 mM, red line), which was produced by adding TMAH (0.60 mM) to a CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution of  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}]$  (0.030 mM), under an air atmosphere at 25 °C. (b) UV-vis spectral changes observed in the immediate formation of **2** (blue line) upon addition of cyclohexene (0.20 M) to a CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution of  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}(OH)]^-$  (**3**) (0.030 mM, red line), which was produced by adding TMAH to a CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution of  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}(OH)]^-$  (**3**) (0.030 mM, red line), which was produced by adding TMAH (0.60 mM) to a CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution of  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}(OH)]^-$  (**3**) (0.030 mM, red line), which was produced by adding TMAH (0.60 mM) to a CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution of  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}]$  (0.030 mM), under an air atmosphere at 25 °C.



**Figure S17.** Plot of  $k_{obs}$  against THF concentration for the formation of **2** in the O<sub>2</sub>-activation by [(TPFC)Mn<sup>III</sup>] (0.030 mM) with O<sub>2</sub> in the presence of TMAH (0.60 mM) under an air atmosphere in CH<sub>3</sub>CN at -20 °C to determine the second-order rate constant,  $k_2$ .



**Figure S18.** (a) UV-vis spectral changes observed in the formation of **2** (blue line) upon addition of cycloheptene (0.51 M) to a CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution of  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}(OH)]^-$  (**3**) (0.030 mM, red line), which was produced by adding TMAH (0.60 mM) to a CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution of  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}]$  (0.030 mM), under an air atmosphere at -20 °C. Inset shows the time course of absorbance monitored at 471 nm due to the decay of **3**. (b) Plot of  $k_{obs}$  against cycloheptene concentration for the formation of **2** in the O<sub>2</sub>-activation by  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}]$  (0.030 mM) with O<sub>2</sub> in the presence of TMAH (0.60 mM) under an air atmosphere in CH<sub>3</sub>CN at -20 °C to determine the second-order rate constant,  $k_2$ .



**Figure S19.** (a) UV-vis spectral changes observed in the formation of **2** (blue line) upon addition of cyclopentene (0.82 M) to a CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution of  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}(OH)]^{-}$  (**3**) (0.030 mM, red line), which was produced by adding TMAH (0.60 mM) to a CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution of  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}]$  (0.030 mM), under an air atmosphere at -20 °C. Inset shows the time course of absorbance monitored at 471 nm due to the decay of **3**. (b) Plot of  $k_{obs}$  against cyclopentene concentration for the formation of **2** in the O<sub>2</sub>-activation by  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}]$  (0.030 mM) with O<sub>2</sub> in the presence of TMAH (0.60 mM) under an air atmosphere in CH<sub>3</sub>CN at -20 °C to determine the second-order rate constant,  $k_2$ .



**Figure S20.** (a) UV-vis spectral changes observed in the formation of **2** (blue line) upon addition of fluorene (0.12 M) to a CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution of  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}(OH)]^-$  (**3**) (0.030 mM, red line), which was produced by adding TMAH (0.60 mM) to a CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution of  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}]$  (0.030 mM), under an air atmosphere at -20 °C. Inset shows the time course of absorbance monitored at 471 nm due to the decay of **3**. (b) Plot of  $k_{obs}$  against fluorene concentration for the formation of **2** in the O<sub>2</sub>-activation by  $[(TPFC)Mn^{III}]$  (0.030 mM) with O<sub>2</sub> in the presence of TMAH (0.60 mM) under an air atmosphere in CH<sub>3</sub>CN at -20 °C to determine the second-order rate constant,  $k_2$ .



**Figure S21.** Plot of log  $k_{\rm H}$  vs BDE of substrate. The  $k_{\rm H}$  values were obtained by dividing the second-order rate constants ( $k_2$ ) by the numbers of equivalent target C-H bonds in the substrates (i.e., 4 for cycloalkenes and 2 for fluorine). The slope in the linear correlation is 0.36 ± 0.04, which corresponds to the Bell-Evans-Polanyi  $\alpha$  value of 0.42 ± 0.05.



**Figure S22.** Plots of  $k_{obs}$  against cyclohexene concentration for the formation of **2** in the O<sub>2</sub>-activation by [(TPFC)Mn<sup>III</sup>] (0.030 mM) in the presence of TMAH (0.60 mM) in air-saturated (black circles) and O<sub>2</sub>-saturated (red squares) CH<sub>3</sub>CN at -20 °C to determine the second-order rate constants,  $k_2$ . The formation rate constant in O<sub>2</sub>-saturated CH<sub>3</sub>CN is approximately 5 times larger than that in air-saturated CH<sub>3</sub>CN.



**Figure S23.** (a) UV-vis spectral changes observed for the conversion of **1** (0.030 mM, red line) to **2** (blue line) upon addition of TMAH (0.60 mM) to a CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution of **1** at -40 °C. **1** was generated by adding <sup>s</sup>PhIO (0.060 mM) to a CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution of [(TPFC)Mn<sup>III</sup>] (0.030 mM) at -40 °C. Inset shows the time course of absorbance monitored at 347 nm and 471 nm due to the decay of **1** and formation of **2**, respectively. (b) Plot of  $k_{obs}$  against TMAH concentration for the conversion of **1** (0.030 mM) to **2** in the presence of TMAH in CH<sub>3</sub>CN at -40 °C to determine the second-order rate constant,  $k_2$ .

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