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Elucidation of the Interplay between Fe(II), Fe(III) and Dopamine with Relevance to Iron
Solubilization and ROS Generation by Catecholamines

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Table S1. Stability constants for Fe(II) and Fe(III) speciations at 25 °C and $I = 0$.

No.	species	LogK	Reference
<i>Fe(II) species</i>			
1	$\text{Fe}^{2+} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{FeOH}^+ + \text{H}^+$	-9.51	1
2	$\text{Fe}^{2+} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Fe}(\text{OH})_2^0 + 2\text{H}^+$	-20.6	1
3	$\text{Fe}^{2+} + \text{CO}_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons \text{FeCO}_3^0$	5.69	2
4	$\text{Fe}^{2+} + \text{H}^+ + \text{CO}_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons \text{FeHCO}_3^+$	11.8	3
5	$\text{Fe}^{2+} + 2\text{CO}_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Fe}(\text{CO}_3)_2^{2-}$	7.45	2
6	$\text{Fe}^{2+} + \text{CO}_3^{2-} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Fe}(\text{OH})\text{CO}_3^- + \text{H}^+$	-4.03	2
7	$\text{Fe}^{2+} + \text{Cl}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{FeCl}^+$	0.3	2
8	$\text{Fe}^{2+} + \text{SO}_4^{2-} \rightleftharpoons \text{FeSO}_4^0$	2.42	2
9	$\text{Fe}^{2+} + \text{DA}^{2-} \rightleftharpoons \text{FeDA}^0$	9.12	4
10	$\text{Fe}^{2+} + 2\text{DA}^{2-} \rightleftharpoons \text{FeDA}_2^{2-}$	14.56	4
<i>Fe(III) species</i>			
11	$\text{Fe}^{3+} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Fe}(\text{OH})^{2+} + \text{H}^+$	-2.13	5
12	$\text{Fe}^{3+} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Fe}(\text{OH})_2^+ + 2\text{H}^+$	-6.13	5
13	$\text{Fe}^{3+} + 3\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Fe}(\text{OH})_3^0 + 3\text{H}^+$	-14.3	5
14	$\text{Fe}^{3+} + 4\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Fe}(\text{OH})_4^- + 4\text{H}^+$	-22.2	5
15	$\text{Fe}^{3+} + \text{Cl}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{FeCl}^{2+}$	1.28	5
16	$\text{Fe}^{3+} + 2\text{Cl}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{FeCl}_2^+$	1.16	5
17	$\text{Fe}^{3+} + \text{SO}_4^{2-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Fe}(\text{SO}_4)^+$	4.27	5

18	$\text{Fe}^{3+} + 2\text{SO}_4^{2-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Fe}(\text{SO}_4)_2^-$	6.11	5
19	$\text{Fe}^{3+} + 2\text{CO}_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons \text{Fe}(\text{CO}_3)_2^-$	19.6	5
20	$\text{Fe}^{3+} + \text{DA}^{2-} \rightleftharpoons \text{FeDA}^+$	21.42	6
21	$\text{Fe}^{3+} + 2\text{DA}^{2-} \rightleftharpoons \text{FeDA}_2^-$	36.46	6
22	$\text{Fe}^{3+} + 3\text{DA}^{2-} \rightleftharpoons \text{FeDA}_3^{3-}$	45.08	6
<i>Aqueous species</i>			
23	$\text{H}^+ + \text{OH}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{H}_2\text{O}$	14	7
24	$\text{H}^+ + \text{CO}_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons \text{HCO}_3^-$	10.3	7
25	$2\text{H}^+ + \text{CO}_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons \text{H}_2\text{CO}_3^*$	16.7	7
26	$\text{NH}_3 + \text{H}^+ \rightleftharpoons \text{NH}_4^+$	9.24	8
27	$\text{H}^+ + \text{SO}_4^{2-} \rightleftharpoons \text{HSO}_4^-$	1.99	8
28	$\text{Na}^+ + \text{CO}_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons \text{NaCO}_3^-$	1.27	2
29	$\text{Na}^+ + \text{H}^+ + \text{CO}_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons \text{NaHCO}_3^0$	10.1	2
30	$\text{Na}^+ + \text{SO}_4^{2-} \rightleftharpoons \text{NaSO}_4^-$	1.06	2
31	$\text{NH}_4^+ + \text{SO}_4^{2-} \rightleftharpoons \text{NH}_4\text{SO}_4^-$	1.03	9
32	$\text{H}_2\text{DA} \rightleftharpoons \text{HDA}^- + \text{H}^+$	-10.58	10
33	$\text{HDA}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{DA}^{2-} + \text{H}^+$	-12.07	10

(1) Morel and Hering (1993); (2) King (1998); (3) Millero and Hawke (1992); (4) Smith and Martell (1989); (5) Pham *et al.* (2006); (6) Avdeef *et al.* (1978); (7) Millero *et al.* (1995); (8) Yuan *et al.* (2012); (9) Schecher and McAvoy (1992) and (10) Pham and Waite (2014)

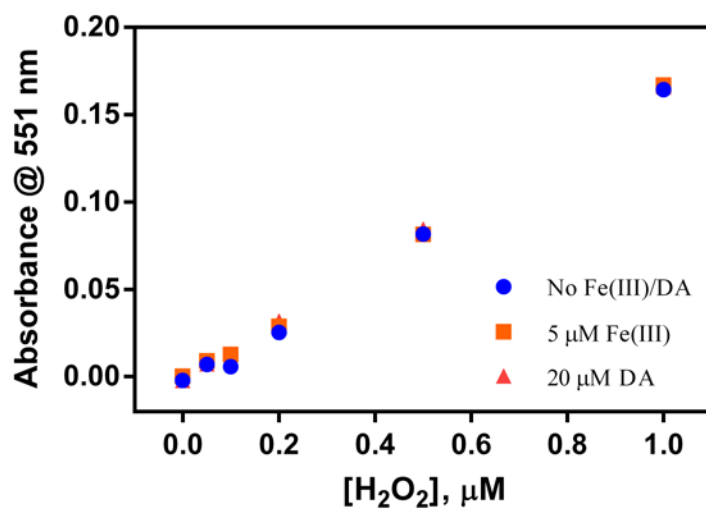


Figure S1. Measured absorbance of H₂O₂ at 551 nm with baseline corrected at 690 nm in 0.1 M NaCl at pH 7.4 in the absence of Fe(III) and DA (●) and in the presence of 5 μM Fe(III) (■) and 20 μM DA (▲). Error bars are standard errors from triplicate measurements.

Figure S1 indicated that the presence of moderate concentrations of Fe(III) (5 μM) and DA (20 μM) has negligible effect on the measurement of H₂O₂ in the presence of 1 mM DTPA, 60 μM DPD and 500 U/L HRP .

Figure S2. Speciation of Fe(III) (a, b and c) and Fe(II) (d, e and f) over the pH range 4.0 - 8.5 in solutions containing varying concentrations of DA with $[\text{Fe(II)}]_0 = 5 \mu\text{M}$ and $[\text{Fe(III)}]_0 = 5 \mu\text{M}$. LogC denotes the log concentration of individual ferrous and ferric species.

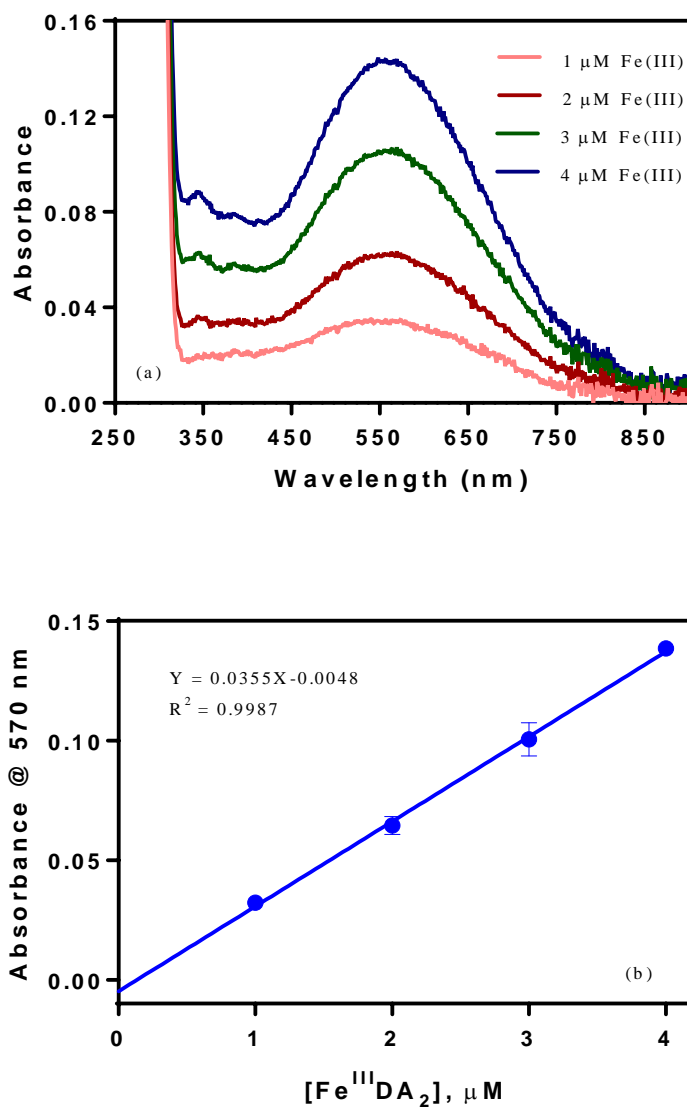
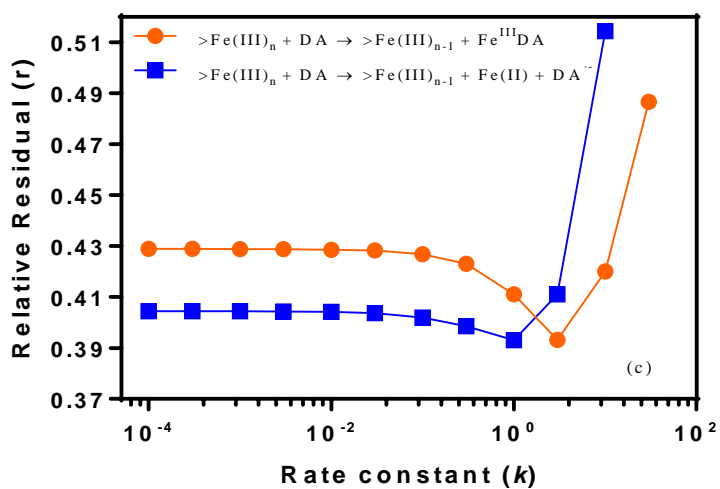
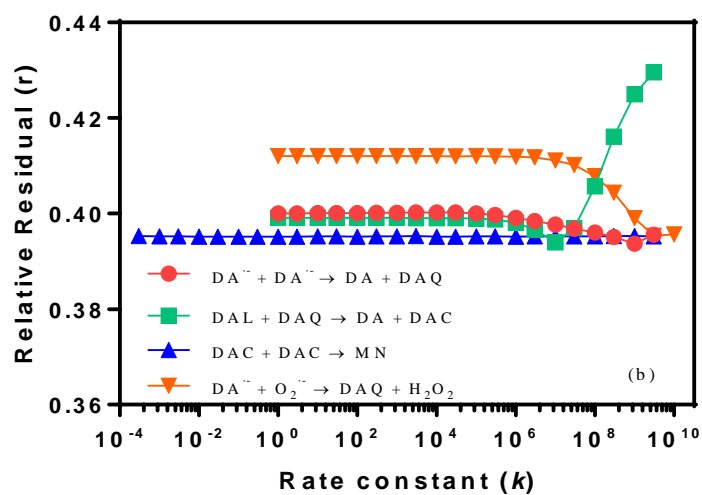
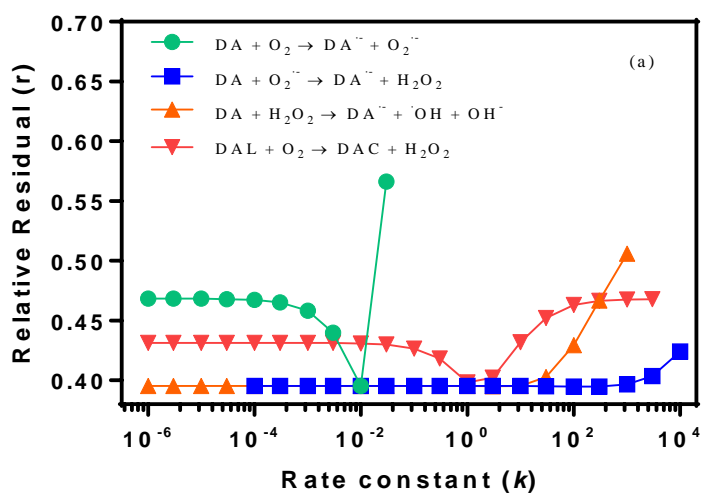
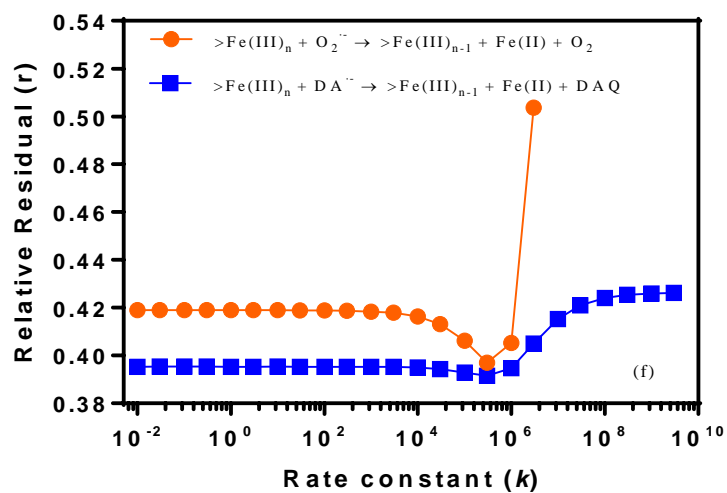
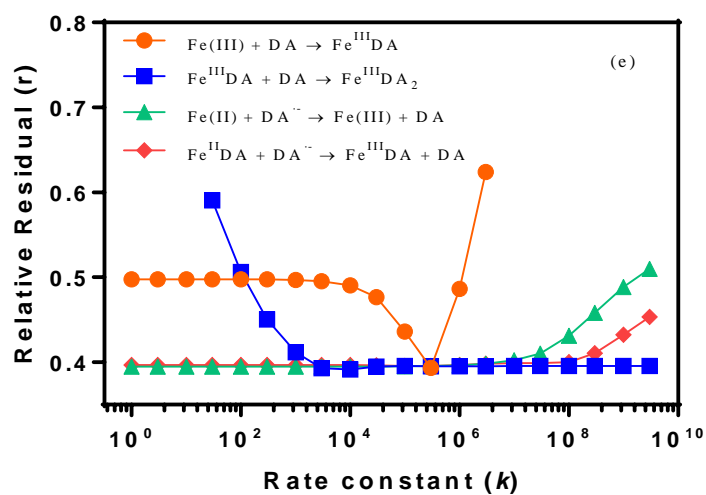
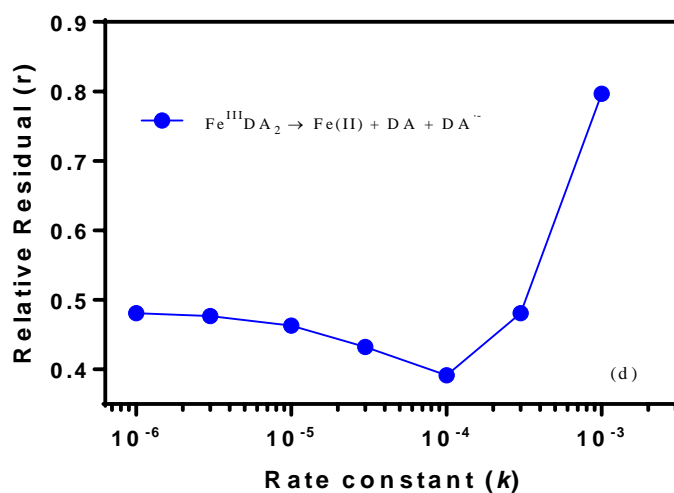


Figure S3. Measured absorbance of Fe^{III}DA₂ complexes (panel a) and calibration curve for qualification of Fe^{III}DA₂ complexes measured at 570 nm with baseline corrected at 850 nm (panel b) in 0.1 M NaCl at pH 7.4 in the presence of 400 μM DA under deoxygenated condition.

Figure S3 indicated that in the presence of moderate concentrations of DA, $\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}\text{DA}_2$ was the dominant complexes and a clear peak can be observed at 570 nm. 400 μM DA was used to ensure that precipitation of Fe(III) is negligible.





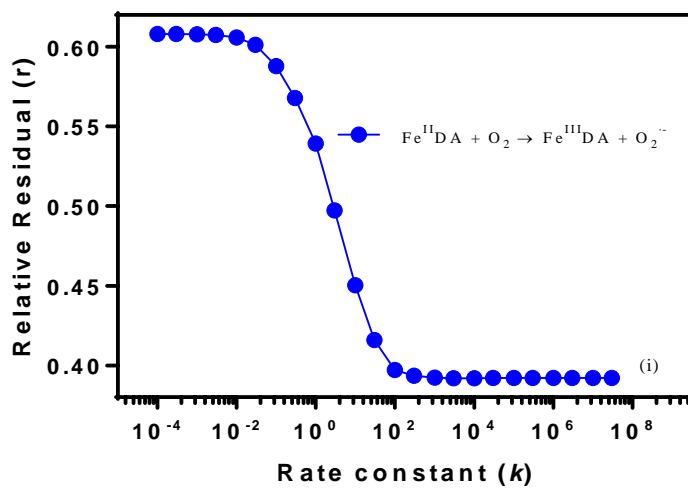
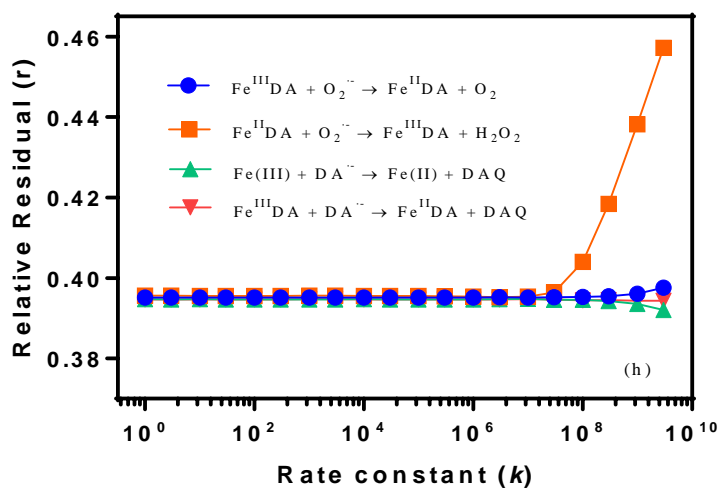
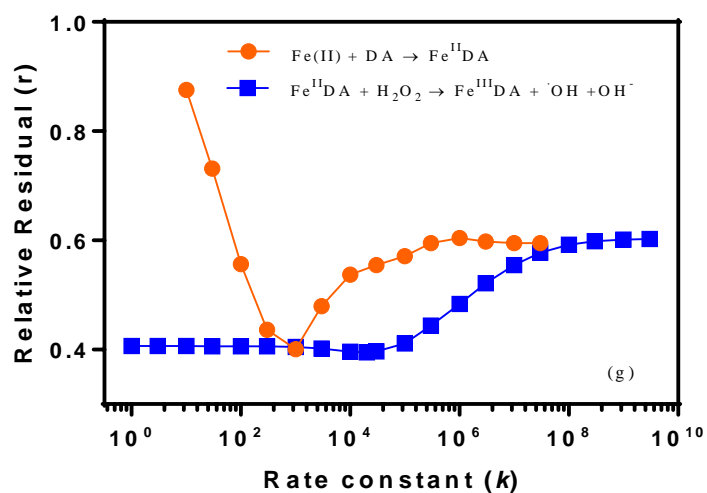


Figure S4. Sensitivity analysis for different fitting reaction rate constants (Tables 1 - 3, main text) and some other unimportant reactions.

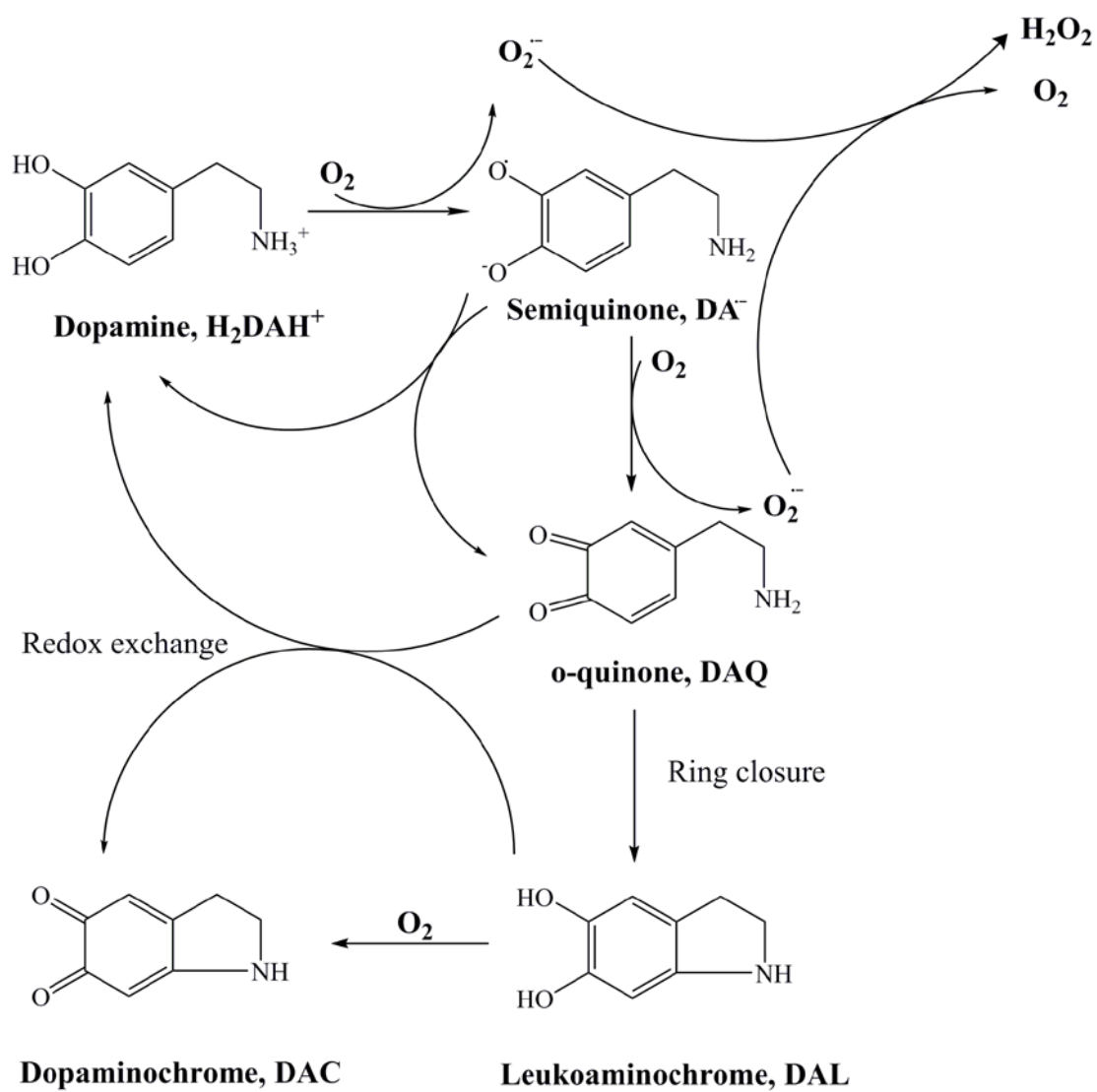


Figure S5. Oxidation pathway of dopamine in the absence of added metals (Pham and Waite 2014)

Text S1

The standard free energy change (ΔG^0) for Fe^{II}DA oxidation to Fe^{III}DA (via one-electron reduction of O₂ to O₂^{•-}) is given by

$$\Delta G^0 = -F(E_{\text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{O}_2^{\bullet-}}^0 - E_{\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}\text{DA} \rightarrow \text{Fe}^{\text{II}}\text{DA}}^0)$$

Where $E_{\text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{O}_2^{\bullet-}}^0 = -0.18 \text{ V}$ (Koppenol *et al.* 2010), F is the Faraday constant, $E_{\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}\text{DA} \rightarrow \text{Fe}^{\text{II}}\text{DA}}^0$ is determined using the Nernst equation (Morel and Hering 1993).

$$E_{\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}\text{DA} \rightarrow \text{Fe}^{\text{II}}\text{DA}}^0 = E_{(\text{Fe}^{3+} \rightarrow \text{Fe}^{2+})}^0 - 0.059 \log_{10} \left(\frac{K_{\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}\text{DA}}}{K_{\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}\text{DA}}} \right)$$

where $E_{(\text{Fe}^{3+} \rightarrow \text{Fe}^{2+})}^0 = 0.77 \text{ V}$ (Schumb *et al.* 1937) is the standard reduction potential of Fe³⁺ and K_i is the stability constant of the complex Fe^{II}DA and Fe^{III}DA shown in Table S1. Thus, the calculated redox potential of the complexed iron couple should be $E_{\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}\text{DA} \rightarrow \text{Fe}^{\text{II}}\text{DA}}^0 = 0.044$.

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