

Supplementary Material

Mn-Mimochrome VI*a: an Artificial Metalloenzyme with Peroxygenase Activity

Linda Leone, Daniele D'Alonzo, Véronique Balland, Gerardo Zambrano, Marco Chino, Flavia Nastri, Ornella Maglio, Vincenzo Pavone and Angela Lombardi*

* Correspondence: prof. Angela Lombardi: alombard@unina.it

1 Supplementary Data

pH titration data fitting

The pH-dependent equilibrium is described by the following equation:

$$AH_3^{3+} \xrightarrow{Ka1} BH_2^{2+} + H^+ \xrightarrow{Ka2} CH^+ + H^+ \xrightarrow{Ka3} D + H^+(Eq. 1)$$

The equilibrium constants, Ka₁, Ka₂ and Ka₃, can be expressed as:

$$K_{a1} = \frac{[BH_2^{2+}] \cdot [H^+]}{[AH_3^{3+}]}$$
; $K_{a2} = \frac{[CH^+] \cdot [H^+]}{[BH_2^{2+}]}$; $K_{a3} = \frac{[D] \cdot [H^+]}{[CH^+]}$ (Eq. 2)

The total concentration (C_{tot}) of Mn^{III}-MC6a can be expressed as sum of the four species:

$$C_{tot} = [AH_3^{3+}] + [BH_2^{2+}] + [CH^+] + [D] (Eq.3)$$

The total absorbance (A_{tot}) can be expressed as the sum of the contribution of all the four species:

$$A_{tot} = \varepsilon_A [AH_3^{3+}] + \varepsilon_B [BH_2^{2+}] + \varepsilon_C [CH^+] + \varepsilon_D [D] (Eq. 4)$$

The total concentration and the total absorbance can be indicated in dependence of [D]:

$$C_{tot} = [D] + \frac{[D] \cdot [H^+]}{K_{a3}} + \frac{[D] \cdot [H^+]^2}{K_{a3} \cdot K_{a2}} + \frac{[D] \cdot [H^+]^3}{K_{a3} \cdot K_{a2} \cdot K_{a1}} (Eq. 5)$$

$$A_{tot} = \varepsilon_D \cdot [D] + \varepsilon_C \cdot \frac{[D] \cdot [H^+]}{K_{a3}} + \varepsilon_B \cdot \frac{[D] \cdot [H^+]^2}{K_{a3} \cdot K_{a2}} + \varepsilon_A \cdot \frac{[D] \cdot [H^+]^3}{K_{a3} \cdot K_{a2} \cdot K_{a1}} (Eq. 6)$$

Equations 5 and 6 can be rearranged, giving:

$$A_{tot} = \frac{C_{tot} \cdot \left(\varepsilon_D + \varepsilon_C \cdot \frac{[H^+]}{K_{a3}} + \varepsilon_B \cdot \frac{[H^+]^2}{K_{a3} \cdot K_{a2}} + \varepsilon_A \cdot \frac{[H^+]^3}{K_{a3} \cdot K_{a2} \cdot K_{a1}}\right)}{\left(1 + \frac{[H^+]}{K_{a3}} + \frac{[H^+]^2}{K_{a3} \cdot K_{a2}} + \frac{[H^+]^3}{K_{a3} \cdot K_{a2} \cdot K_{a1}}\right)} \quad (Eq. 7)$$

Equation 7 can be written as:

$$A_{tot} = \frac{\left(A_D + A_C \cdot \frac{[H^+]}{K_{a3}} + A_B \cdot \frac{[H^+]^2}{K_{a3} \cdot K_{a2}} + A_A \cdot \frac{[H^+]^3}{K_{a3} \cdot K_{a2} \cdot K_{a1}}\right)}{\left(1 + \frac{[H^+]}{K_{a3}} + \frac{[H^+]^2}{K_{a3} \cdot K_{a2}} + \frac{[H^+]^3}{K_{a3} \cdot K_{a2} \cdot K_{a1}}\right)} \quad (Eq. 8)$$

 A_A , A_B , A_C , A_D , parameters represent the absorbance of the four differently protonated species. Species A-D are referred as **1-4** in the main text. Equation 8 was used to fit the experimental A_{365} (Soret) data points (Figure 4A, main text), which were reported as molar extinction coefficient at 365 nm (ε_{365}).

2 Supplementary Figures and Tables

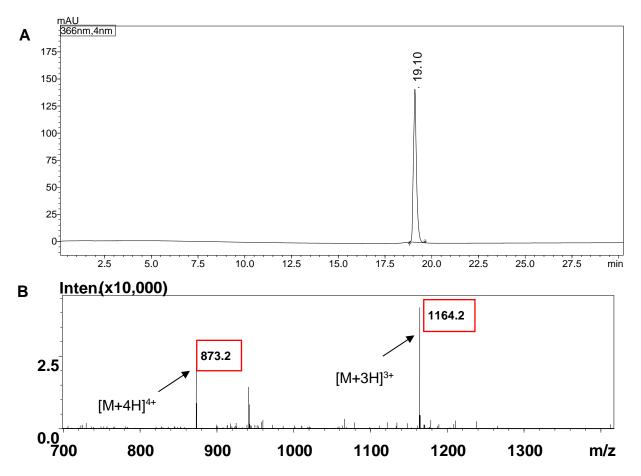


Figure S1: LC-MS chromatogram of pure Mn^{III} -MC6a (A), and its positive ESI-MS m/z spectrum (B). The peaks corresponding to the intact compound, carrying the indicated number of charges (protons), are evidenced. Experimental mass: (3489.2 \pm 0.4) Da; Theoretical mass: 3488.8 Da.

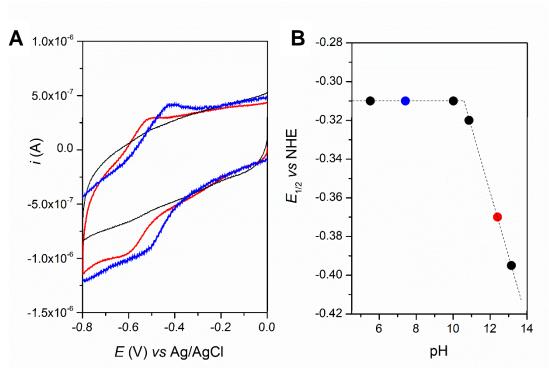


Figure S2: A) Cyclic voltammograms (CVs) of Mn-MC6*a ($C = 100 \mu M$ in buffer solution containing 30% TFE (ν/ν), T = 25 °C) recorded at 10 mV·s⁻¹ scan speed at pH 7.4 (blue trace) and 12.4 (red trace). CV acquired from a solution at pH 12.4 in absence of Mn-MC6*a is also shown (black trace). B) pH-dependence of Mn^{III}/Mn^{II} formal reduction potential ($E_{1/2}$).

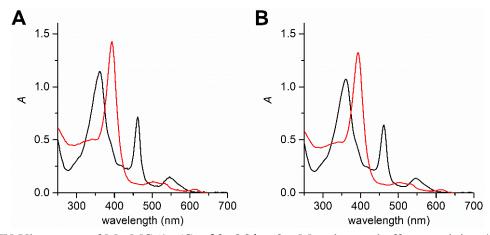


Figure S3: UV-Vis spectra of Mn-MC6*a ($C = 20 \mu M$ in 60 mM carbonate buffer containing 40% TFE (v/v), pH 9.5; T = 25 °C) before (black lines) and after (red lines) treatment with different oxidizing agents: A) NaOCl (1000 eq.); B) KHSO₅ (100 eq.). No reaction was observed upon treatment with *t*-BuOOH (100 eq.).

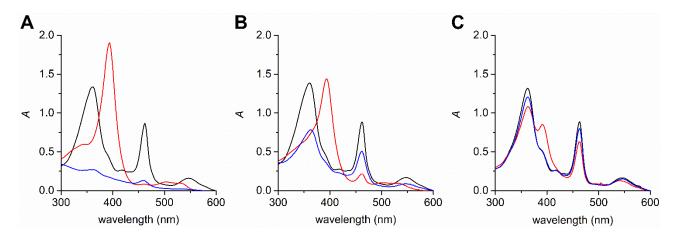


Figure S4: UV-Vis spectra of Mn-MC6*a upon treatment with different amounts of H_2O_2 : A) 100 eq.; B) 10 eq. and C) 1 eq. Spectra acquired prior to addition of peroxide are depicted as black lines. Red lines represent the maximal conversion of Mn^{III} -MC6*a into Compound I (observed at t=5 s, 40 s and 90 s after the addition of peroxide for 100 eq., 10 eq. and 1 eq., respectively). Blue lines represent the spectra acquired after 20 minutes from the addition of peroxide ($C=20~\mu M$ in 60 mM carbonate buffer containing 40% TFE (ν/ν), pH 10; T=25~ °C).

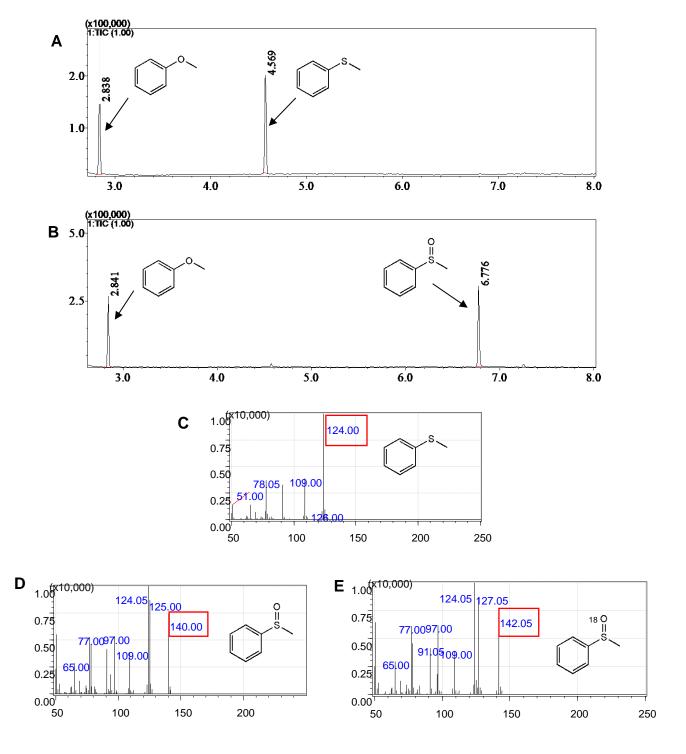


Figure S5: GC-MS TIC chromatogram of thioanisole sulfoxidation: A) before addition of peroxide and B) after reaction completion. Peak eluted at Rt= 2.84 min is relative to anisole (internal standard). C) and D) are the EI-MS spectra of products eluted at Rt = 4.57 min and 6.78 min, which were identified respectively as thioanisole and methyl-phenyl sulfoxide. E) is the EI-MS spectrum of ^{18}O containing methyl-phenyl sulfoxide, obtained when reaction was carried out with $H_2^{18}O_2$ as oxidant. Molecular ions are labeled in red.

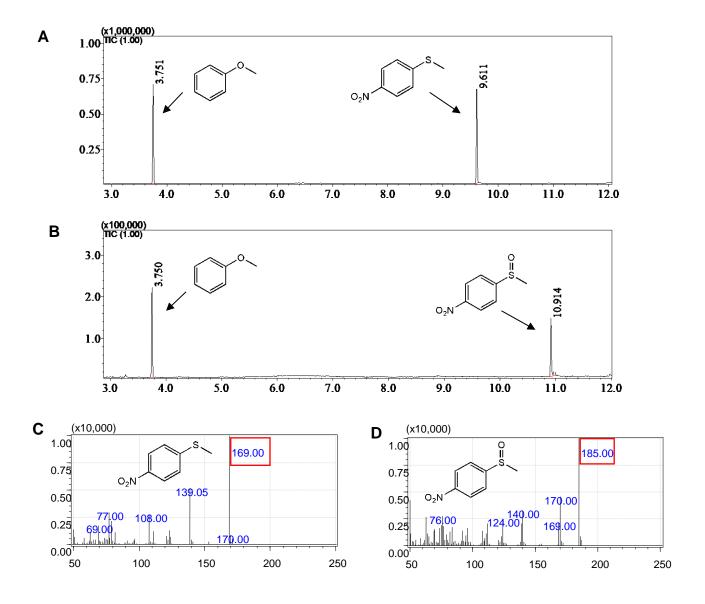


Figure S6: GC-MS TIC chromatogram of pNTA sulfoxidation: A) before addition of peroxide and B) after reaction completion. Peak eluted at Rt= 3.75 min is relative to anisole (internal standard). C) and D) are the EI-MS spectra of peaks eluted at Rt = 9.61 min and 10.91 min, which were identified respectively as pNTA and corresponding sulfoxide. Molecular ions are labeled in red.

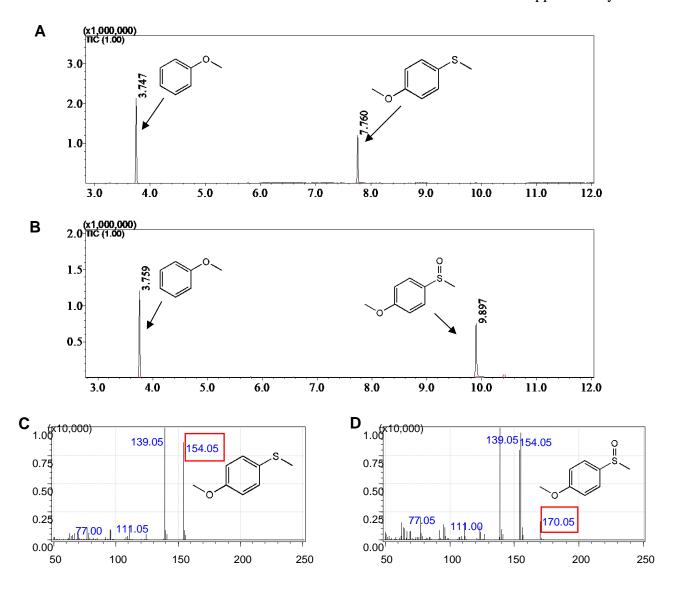


Figure S7: GC-MS TIC chromatogram of pMTA sulfoxidation: A) before addition of peroxide and B) after reaction completion. Peak eluted at Rt= 3.75 min is relative to anisole (internal standard). C) and D) are the EI-MS spectra of peaks eluted at Rt = 7.76 min and 9.90 min, which were identified respectively as pMTA and corresponding sulfoxide. Molecular ions are labeled in red.

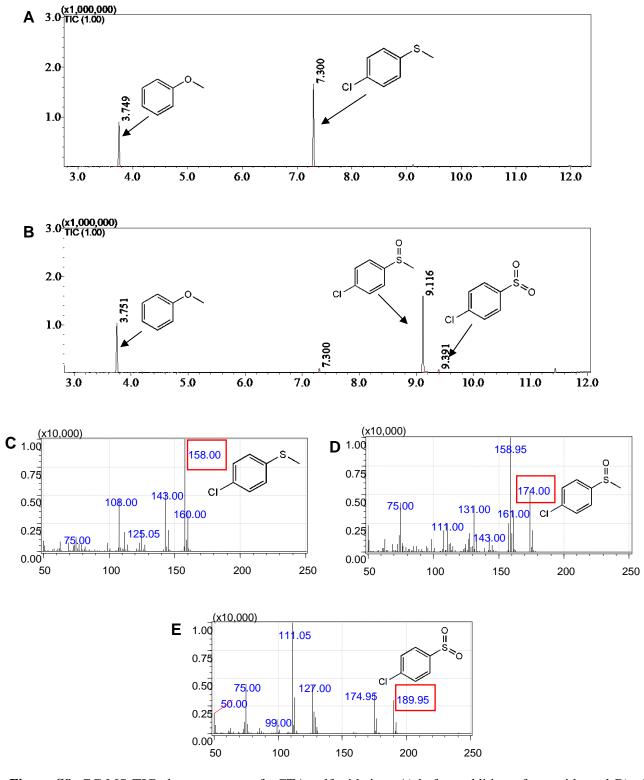


Figure S8: GC-MS TIC chromatogram of pCTA sulfoxidation: A) before addition of peroxide and B) after reaction completion. Peak eluted at Rt= 3.75 min is relative to anisole (internal standard). C), D) and E) are the EI-MS spectra of peaks eluted at Rt = 7.30 min, 9.12 min, and 9.39 min which were identified respectively as pCTA, corresponding sulfoxide and sulfone. Molecular ions are labeled in red.

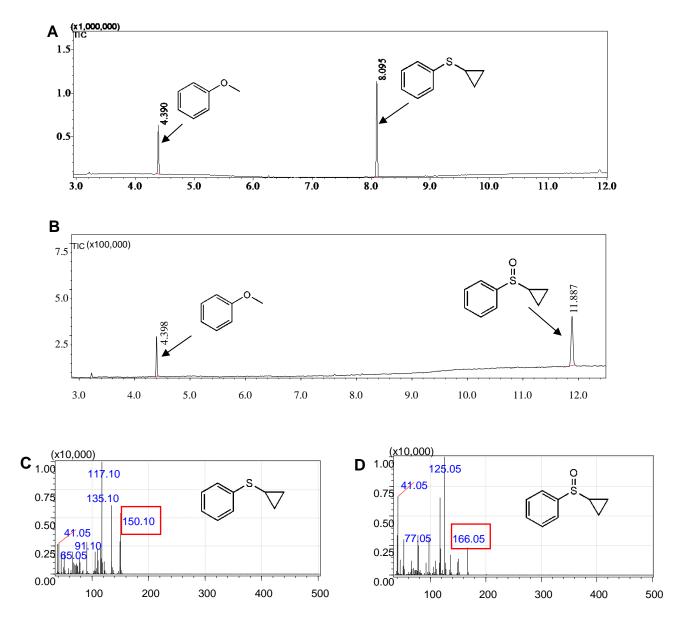


Figure S9: GC-MS TIC chromatogram of CPPS oxidation: A) before addition of peroxide and B) after reaction completion. Peak eluted at Rt = 4.40 min is relative to anisole (internal standard). C) and D) are the EI-MS spectra of peaks eluted at Rt = 8.10 min and 11.89 min which were identified respectively as CPPS and corresponding sulfoxide. Molecular ions are labeled in red.

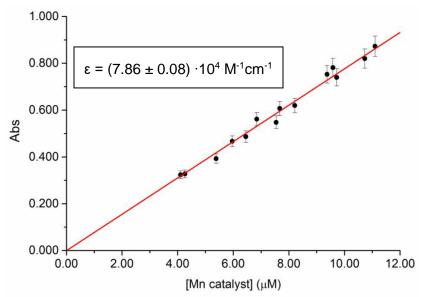
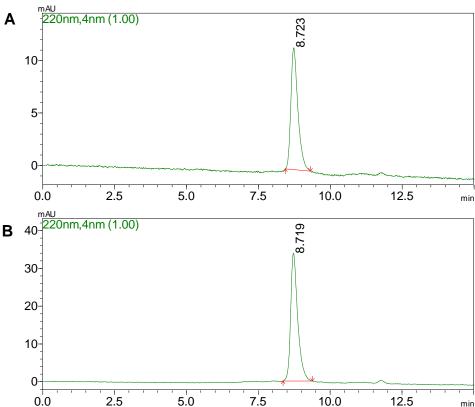


Figure S10: Plot of the absorbance at 365 nm as a function of Mn^{III}-MC6*a concentration. Data were fitted to the Lambert-Beer's law.



0.0 2.5 5.0 7.5 10.0 12.5 $_{min}$ **Figure S11**: GFC chromatograms of: A) Mn^{III}-HRP; B) Fe^{III}-HRP (C = 0.1 mg/ml, 0.05 M sodium phosphate, 0.3 M NaCl, pH 6.8).

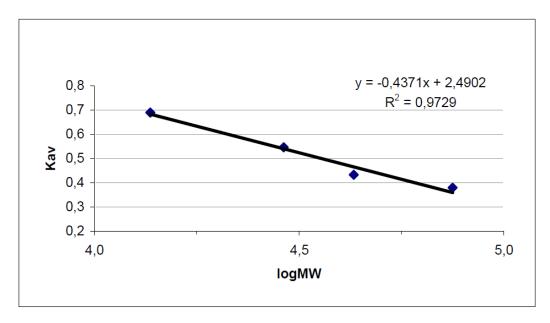


Figure S12: GFC calibration curve prepared used Conalbumin (MW: 75 kDa), Ovalbumin (MW: 43 kDa), Carbonic Anhydrase (MW: 29 kDa), Ribonuclease A (MW: 13.7 kDa).