

Supporting Information for

Differences in Chemoselectivity in Olefin Oxidation by a series of **Mn^{IV} – oxo Complexes**

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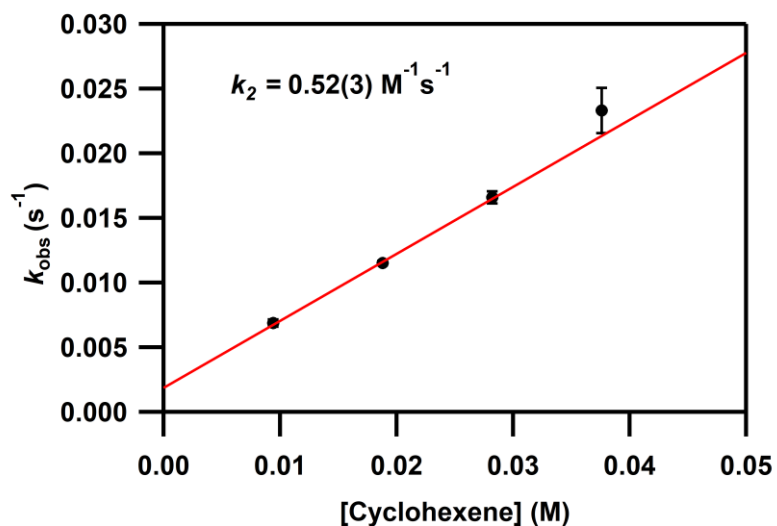


Figure S1. Plot of the pseudo-first-order rate constant (k_{obs}) against substrate concentration for the reaction between $[\text{Mn}^{\text{IV}}(\text{O})(2\text{pyN}2\text{Q})]^{2+}$ (**2**) and cyclohexene in TFE for substrate dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 .

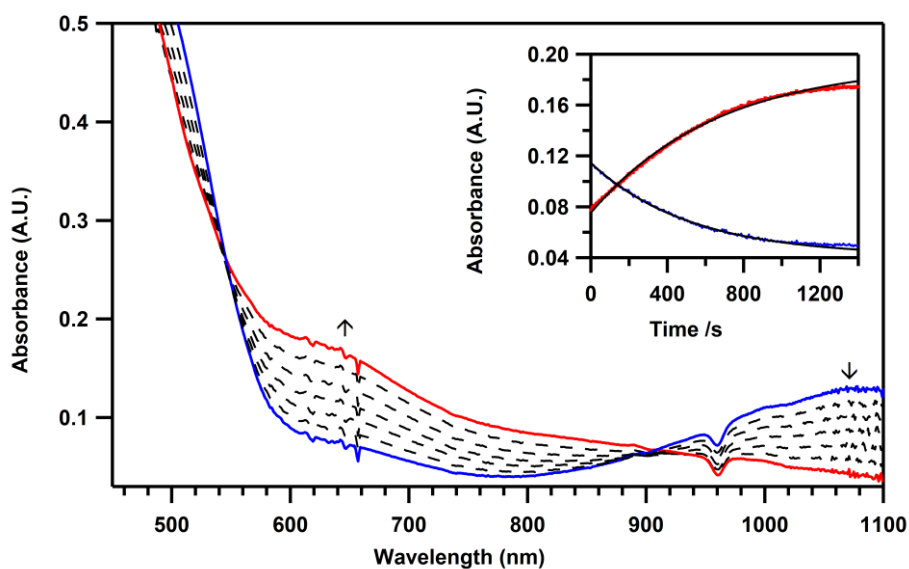


Figure S2. Electronic absorption spectra showing the reaction of 1.0 mM $[\text{Mn}^{\text{IV}}(\text{O})(2\text{pyN}2\text{Q})]^{2+}$ (**2**) with 200 μL MeCN (~ 1740 equiv.) in TFE at 25 $^\circ\text{C}$. Inset: decay of the feature at 1020 nm ($k_{\text{obs}} = 1.9(3) \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$) and the growth of the feature at 620 nm ($k_{\text{obs}} = 1.5(2) \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$).

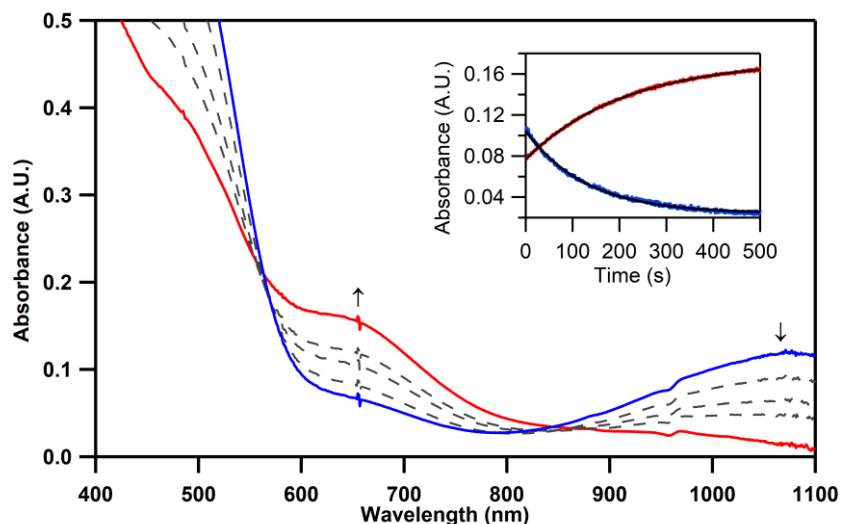


Figure S3. Electronic absorption spectra of reaction of 1.0 mM $[\text{Mn}^{\text{IV}}(\text{O})(\text{N}2\text{py}2\text{Q})]^{2+}$ (**2**) with 40 equiv. cyclohexene- d_{10} in TFE. Inset: decay of the feature at 1020 nm ($k_{\text{obs}} = 7.8(6) \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$) and the growth of the feature at 620 nm ($k_{\text{obs}} = 4.7(2) \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$).

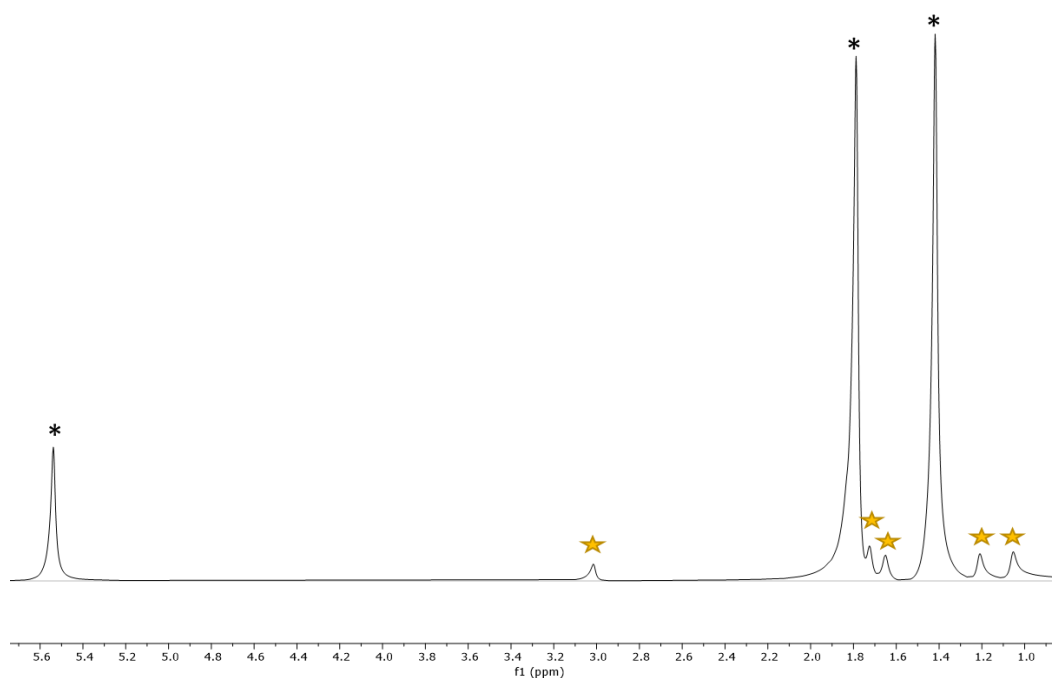


Figure S4. ^2H NMR spectrum of the product of the reaction of cyclohexene- d_{10} with $[\text{Mn}^{\text{IV}}(\text{O})(\text{N}2\text{py}2\text{Q})]^{2+}$ (**2**) in $\text{CF}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}/\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ ($v/v = 19:1$) at 298 K. The signals have been referenced to CDCl_3 . The asterisk indicates excess cyclohexene- d_{10} and the stars indicate cyclohexene oxide- d_{10} .

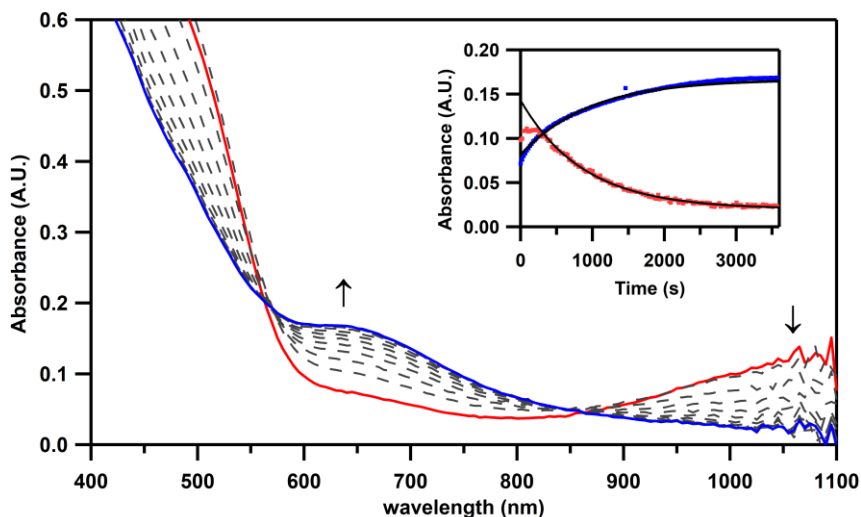


Figure S5. Electronic absorption spectra of the reaction of 1.0 mM $[\text{Mn}^{\text{IV}}(\text{O})(\text{N}2\text{py}2\text{Q})]^{2+}$ (**2**) and 1.0 mM $[\text{Mn}^{\text{II}}(\text{N}2\text{py}2\text{Q})]^{2+}$ in TFE at 298 K. Inset: decay of the feature at 1020 nm ($k_{\text{obs}} = 1.1(2) \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$) and the growth of the feature at 620 nm ($k_{\text{obs}} = 1.1(3) \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$).

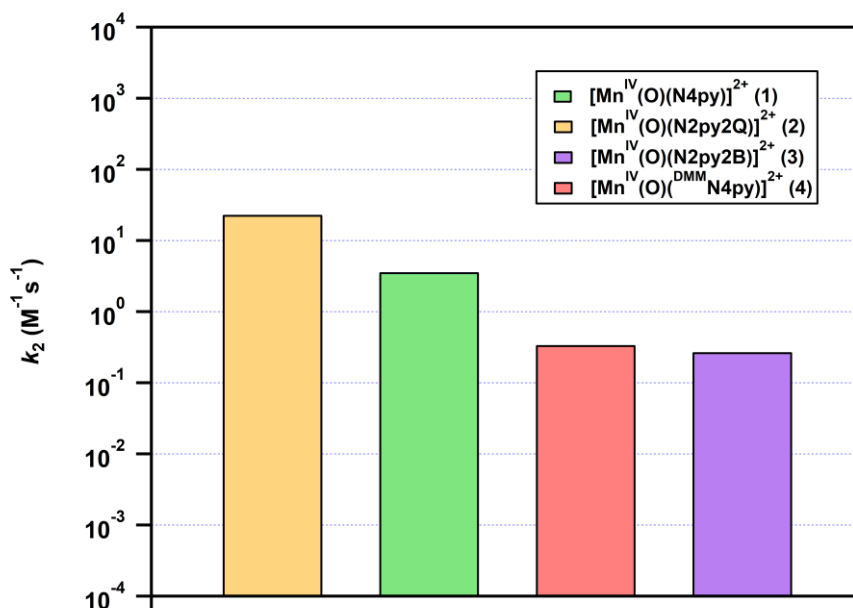


Figure S6. Comparison of second-order rate constants obtained for the reactions of 9,10-dihydroanthracene (DHA) and Mn^{IV} – oxo adducts in TFE at 298 K.

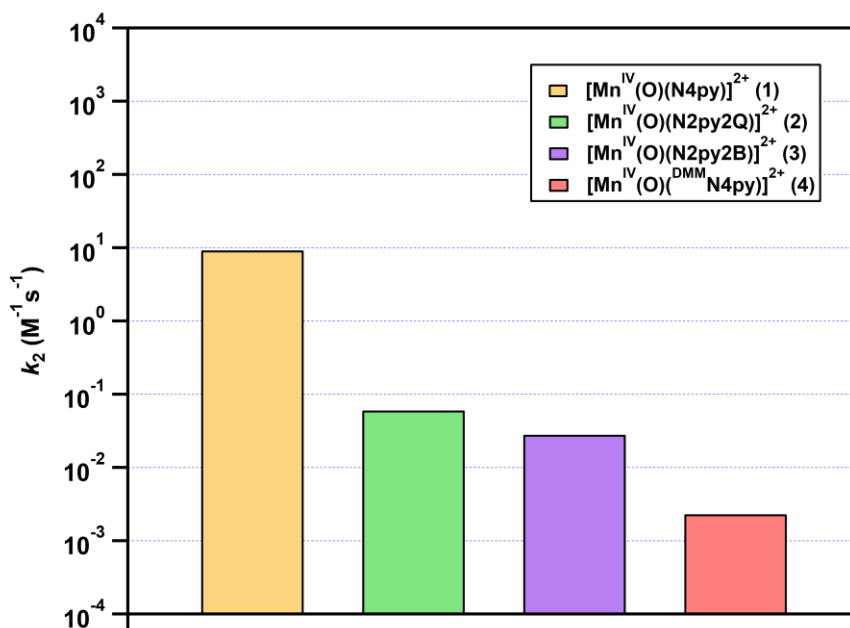


Figure S7. Comparison of second-order rate constants obtained for the reactions of thioanisole and Mn^{IV} – oxo adducts in TFE at 298 K.

Computational details

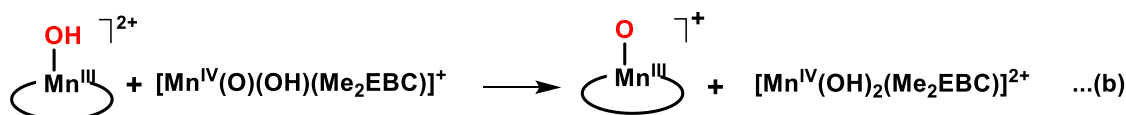
The Bordwell equation (main article, equation 3) used to calculate Mn^{III}O–H BDFE for **1-4** consist of the term C_G (free energy constant). This term represents the solvent dependence of the BDFE values as both the reduction potential and pK_a terms in the Bordwell equation are highly influenced by the identity of the solvent. Ideally, we would include a C_G value for TFE, which is the solvent used for all the experimental data. However, we are unaware of a C_G value for this solvent. Consequently, while we employed the C_G value for acetonitrile (52.6)¹ to determine absolute BDFEs, we will discuss ΔBDFEs relative to **1**.

The E_{1/2} of Mn^{IV/III} couples was calculated using equation 4 and 5, based on the isodesmic reaction model between Mn^{IV}-oxo complexes and **1** (scheme S1a) where experimental Mn^{IV/III} reduction potential of **1** was used as reference to account for systematic errors. Similarly, experimentally known pK_a of [Mn^{IV}(OH)₂(Me₂EBC)]²⁺ was used as reference to calculate pK_a values of **1-4** for the reaction shown in scheme S1b using the equation 4 and 6. These results have been summarized in Table S1.

$$E_{rxn} = products - reactants \quad \dots \text{Equation 4}$$

$$E_{1/2,calc}(V) = \frac{E_{rxn,2a}}{23.06 V} + E_{1/2,exp}(V) \quad \dots \text{Equation 5}$$

$$pK_{a,calc} = \frac{E_{rxn,2b} + pK_{a,exp}(kcal\ mol^{-1})}{1.37} \quad \dots \text{Equation 6}$$



Scheme S1. a) Isodesmic reaction between Mn^{IV}-oxo complexes (**1-4**) and **1** for determination of reduction potential of **1-4**; b) Model reaction for determination of pK_a of **1-4** using [Mn^{IV}(OH)₂(Me₂EBC)]²⁺ reference.

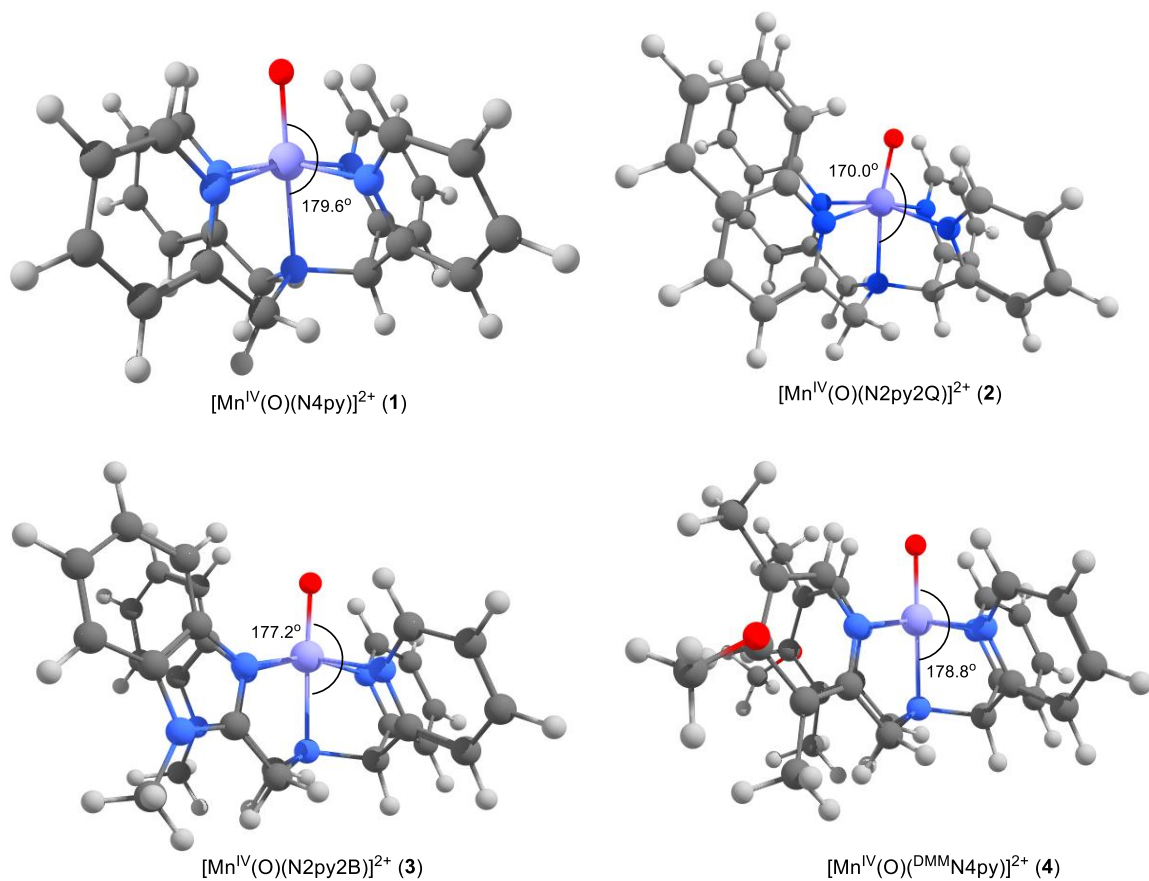


Figure S8. DFT computed structures of Mn^{IV}-oxo complexes **1-4** with axial (N_{ax}-Mn-O) angle distortion displayed.

Table S1. DFT calculated free energy of the reaction between Mn^{IV}-oxo species and dimethyl sulfide (DMS).

Complexes	[Mn ^{IV} (O)(N4py)] ²⁺ (1)	[Mn ^{IV} (O)(N2py2Q)] ²⁺ (2)	[Mn ^{IV} (O)(N2py2B)] ²⁺ (3)	[Mn ^{IV} (O)(^{DMM} N4py)] ²⁺ (4)
ΔG_{DFT}	-19.34	-22.96	-18.86	-14.93

Table S2. DFT calculated values of pK_a, E_{1/2} and Mn^{III}O–H BDFEs.

Complexes	pK _a	E _{P,C}	Δ BDFE	BDFE
[Mn ^{III} (OH)(N4py)] ²⁺	18.35	0.80	0.00	98.49
[Mn ^{III} (OH)(N2py2Q)] ²⁺	17.42	1.05	4.42	102.91
[Mn ^{III} (OH)(^{DMM} N4py)] ²⁺	18.73	0.71	-1.58	96.91
[Mn ^{III} (OH)(N2py2B)] ²⁺	20.54	0.55	-2.73	95.75

Table S3. Summary of DFT calculated electronic energies, entropies and free energies of the species discussed in this work.

Complexes	Electronic Energy kcal/mol	Zero Point Energy kcal/mol	$\Delta H^{\ddagger} =$ Electronic + ZPE	vib	rot	trans	G
[Mn ^{IV} (O)(N4py)] ²⁺ (1)	-1498773.64	256.58	-1498517.06	21.53	10.56	13.16	-1498562.31
[Mn ^{IV} (O)(N2py2Q)] ²⁺ (2)	-1691572.90	315.54	-1691257.36	27.34	10.96	13.34	-1691309.00
[Mn ^{IV} (O)(N2py2B)] ²⁺ (3)	-1713226.36	328.09	-1712898.27	30.55	11.00	13.35	-1712953.17
[Mn ^{IV} (O)(^{DMM} N4py)] ²⁺ (4)	-1741171.40	365.81	-1740805.59	36.11	11.10	13.36	-1740866.16
[Mn ^{III} (OH)(N4py)] ²⁺	-1499327.12	261.81	-1499065.31	23.85	10.6	13.16	-1499112.92
[Mn ^{III} (OH)(N2py2Q)] ²⁺	-1692124.74	321.01	-1691803.73	29.46	10.99	13.34	-1691857.52
[Mn ^{III} (OH)(N2py2B)] ²⁺	-1713777.93	333.31	-1713444.62	32.89	11.04	13.35	-1713501.90
[Mn ^{III} (OH)(^{DMM} N4py)] ²⁺	-1741714.81	369.97	-1741344.84	39.85	11.13	13.37	-1741409.19
[Mn ^{II} (TFE)(N4py)] ²⁺	-1735747.62	289.68	-1735457.94	31.50	10.92	13.31	-1735513.67
[Mn ^{II} (TFE)(N2py2Q)] ²⁺	-1928550.81	348.48	-1928202.33	36.95	11.22	13.47	-1928263.97
[Mn ^{II} (TFE)(N2py2B)] ²⁺	-1950199.97	360.74	-1949839.23	40.08	11.26	13.48	-1949904.05
[Mn ^{II} (TFE)(^{DMM} N4py)] ²⁺	-1978140.37	398.67	-1977741.70	46.55	11.36	13.49	-1977813.10
TFE	-284134.17	35.83	-284098.34	3.08	7.89	11.84	-284121.15
DMSO	-347117.04	49.53	-347067.51	2.73	7.42	11.62	-347089.28
DMS	-299926.75	47.17	-299879.58	2.11	7.03	11.42	-299900.14

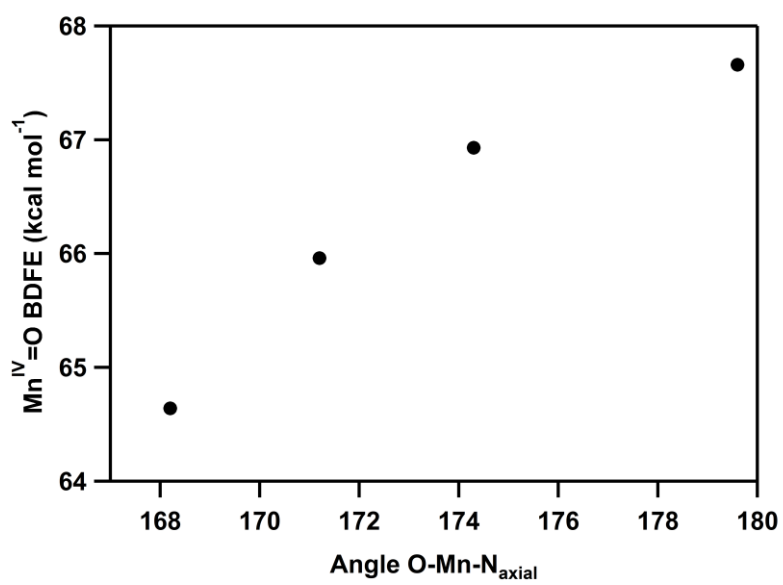


Figure S9. A correlation between Mn^{IV}=O BDFE and distortion of the axial angle (O-Mn-N_{ax}) from ideal value of 180°.

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