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Control of Fe³⁺ coordination by excess Cl⁻ in alcohol solutions

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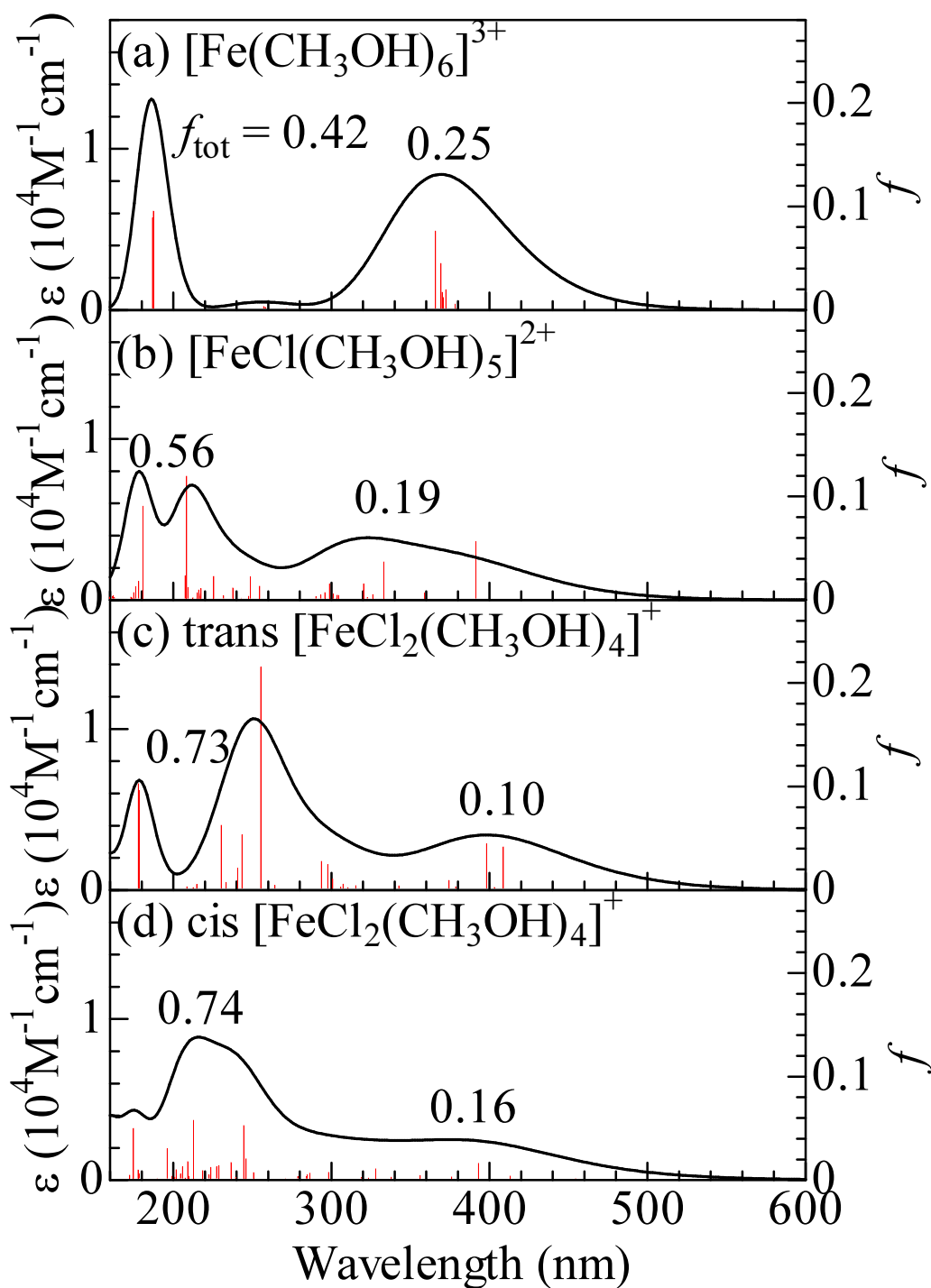


Fig S1. Calculated molar absorption coefficient (ε) spectra of (a) $[\text{Fe}(\text{CH}_3\text{OH})_6]^{3+}$, (b) $[\text{FeCl}(\text{CH}_3\text{OH})_5]^{2+}$, (c) $\text{trans } [\text{FeCl}_2(\text{CH}_3\text{OH})_4]^+$, and (d) $\text{cis } [\text{FeCl}_2(\text{CH}_3\text{OH})_4]^+$ clusters. The vertical bars represent oscillator strength (f). The spectra were calculated with a full width at half maximum of 0.4 eV. f_{tot} is the total oscillator strength of transitions forming

the band. Calculations were performed with Gaussian 16W program¹ at the UwB97XD/6-311+G(d,p) level. Solvation effect of CH₃OH was included by integral equation formalism-polarizable continuum model (IEF-PCM²). After the structural optimization, the excited states were calculated within the framework of time-dependent density-functional theory (TD-DFT³).

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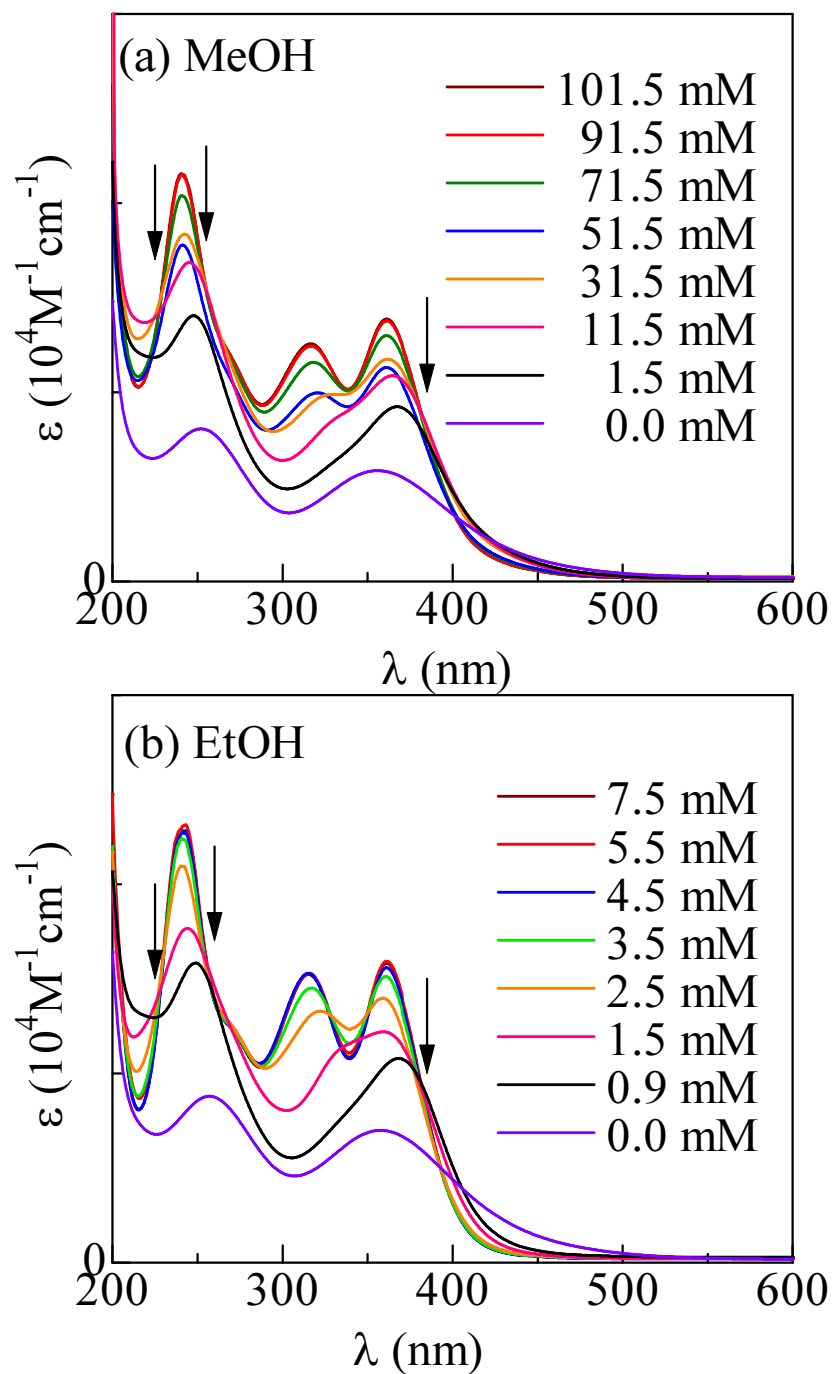


Fig. S2: Molar absorption coefficient (ϵ) spectra of (a) MeOH and (b) EtOH solution containing 0.5 mM Fe^{3+} against Cl^- concentration ($[\text{Cl}^-]$). Arrows indicate isosbestic points

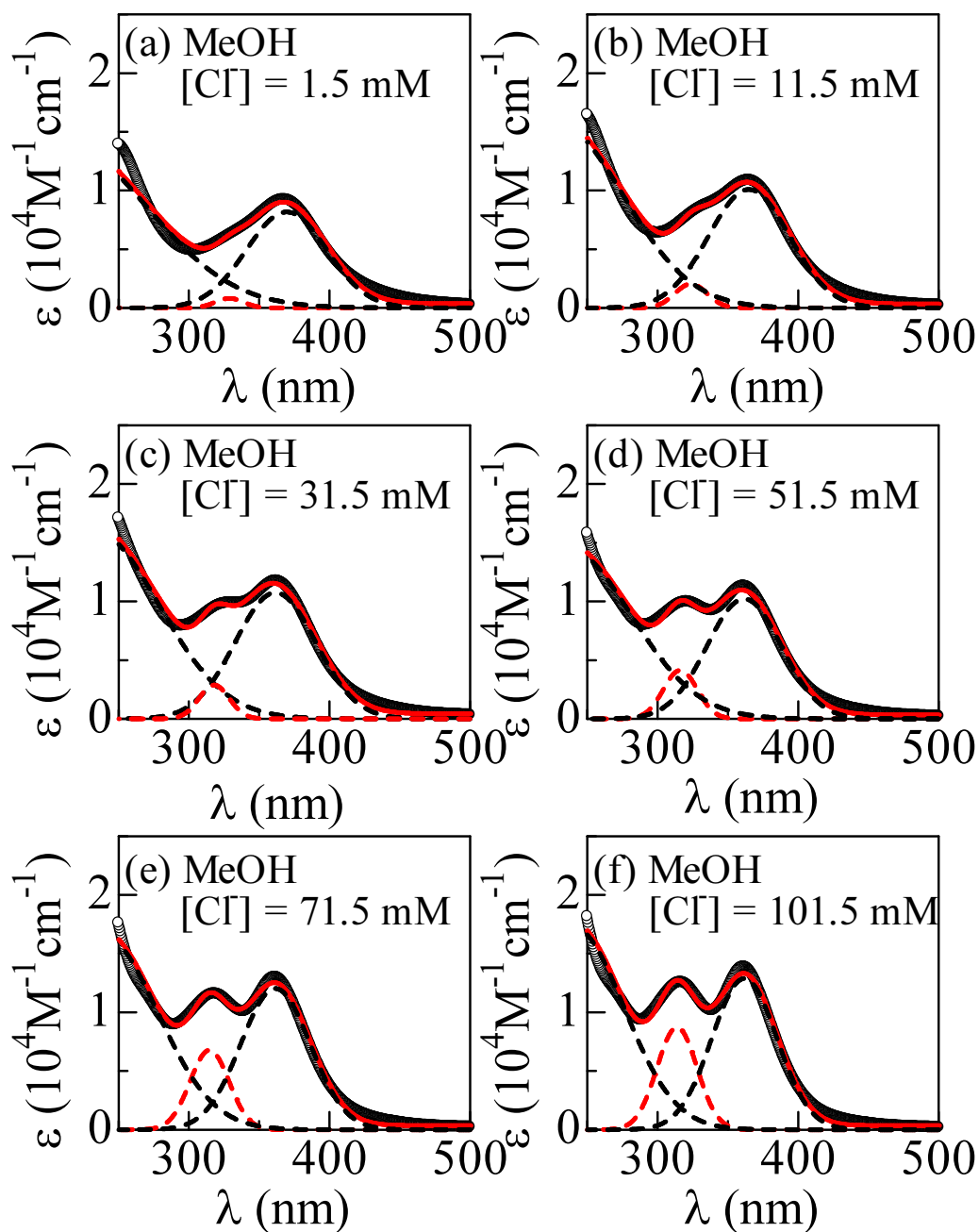


Fig. S3: Molar absorption coefficient (ϵ) spectra of the MeOH solutions containing 0.5 mM Fe^{3+} : (a) $[\text{Cl}^-] = 1.5 \text{ mM}$, (b) 11.5 mM, (c) 31.5 mM, (d) 51.5 mM, (e) 71.5 mM, and (f) 101.5 mM. Broken curves represent results of least-squares fitting with three Gauss functions. The component at 318 nm is the FeCl_4 band.

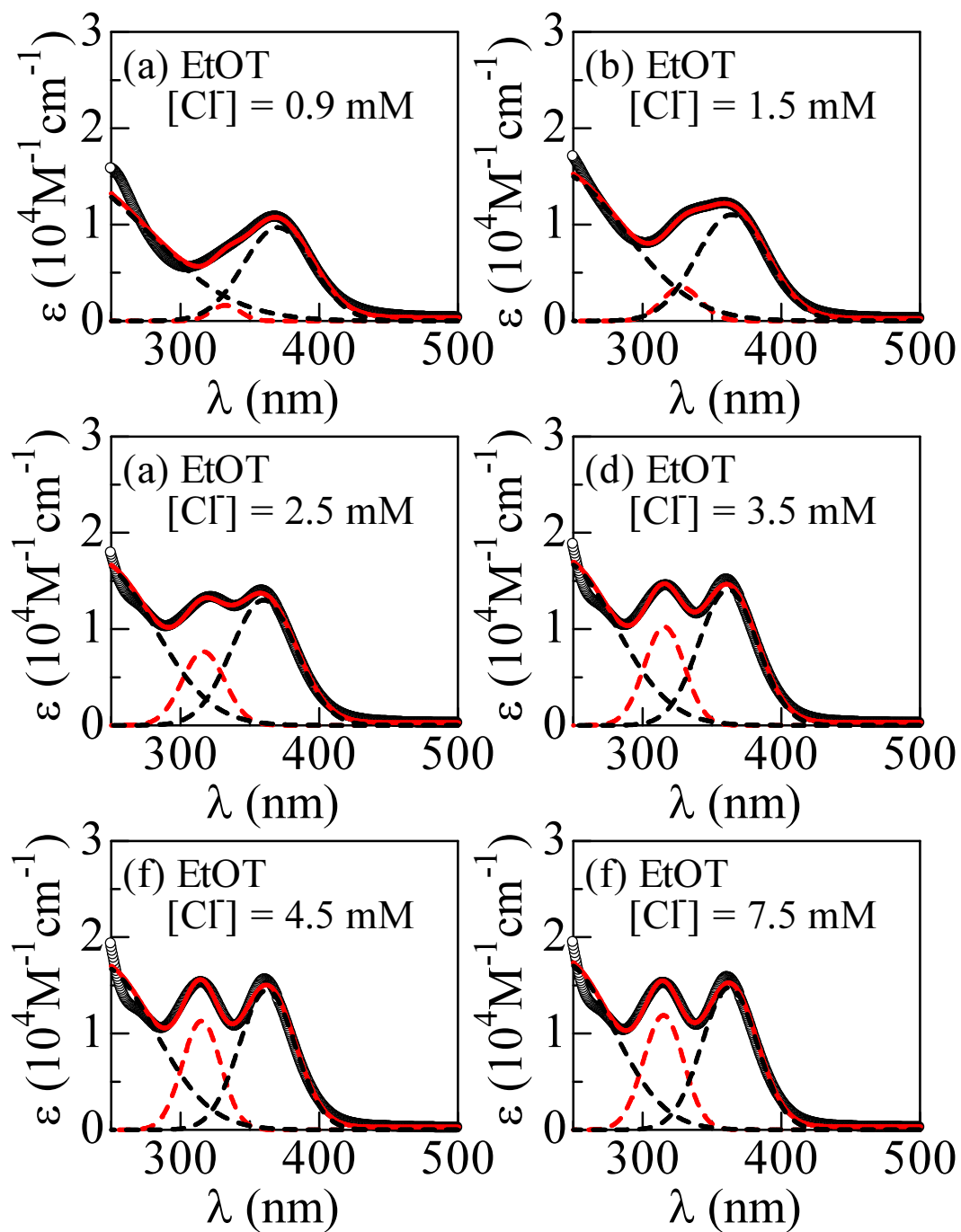


Fig. S4: Molar absorption coefficient (ϵ) spectra of the EtOH solutions containing 0.5 mM Fe^{3+} : (a) $[\text{Cl}^-] = 0.9$ mM, (b) 1.5 mM, (c) 2.5 mM, (d) 3.5 mM, (e) 4.5 mM, and (f) 7.5 mM. Broken curves represent results of least-squares fitting with three Gauss functions. The component at 318 nm is the FeCl_4 band.