

Supporting Information

**A complex of cobalamin with an organic peroxide**

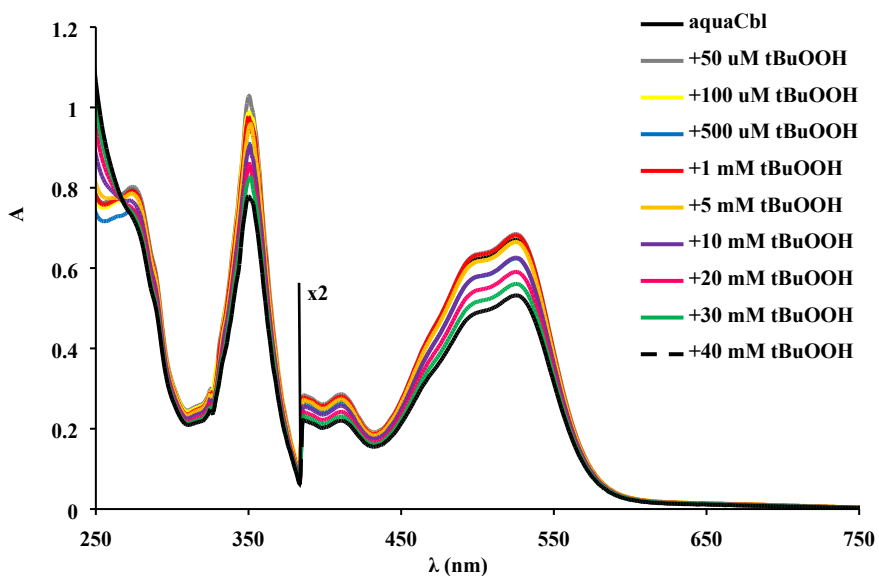
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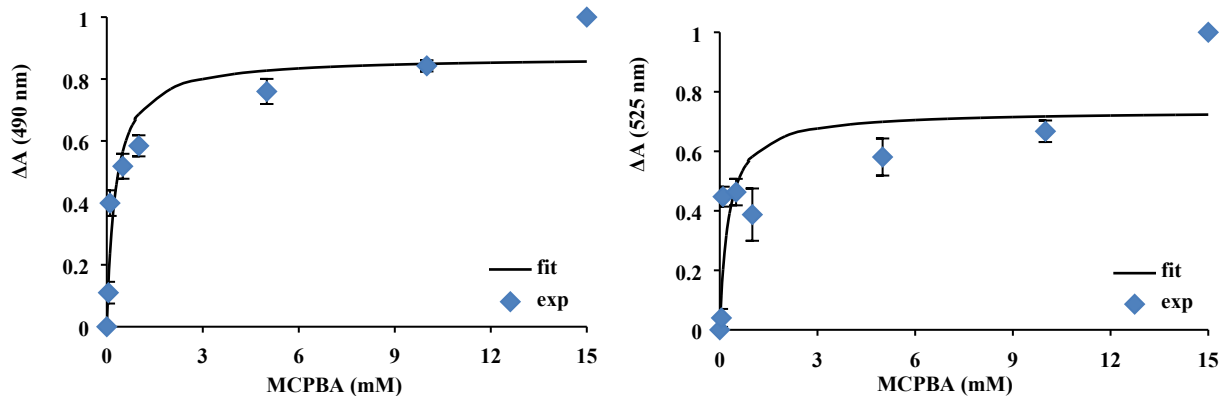
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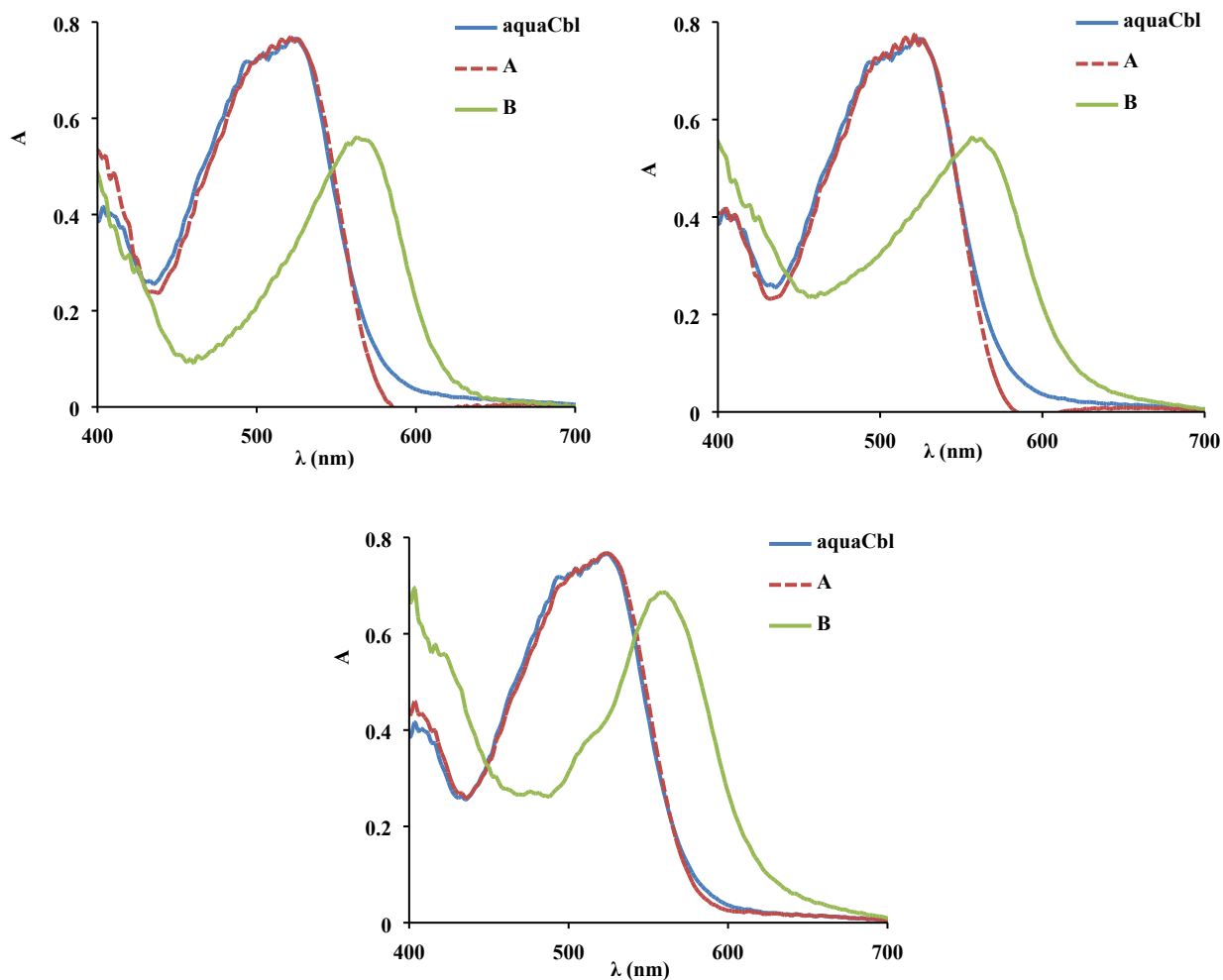
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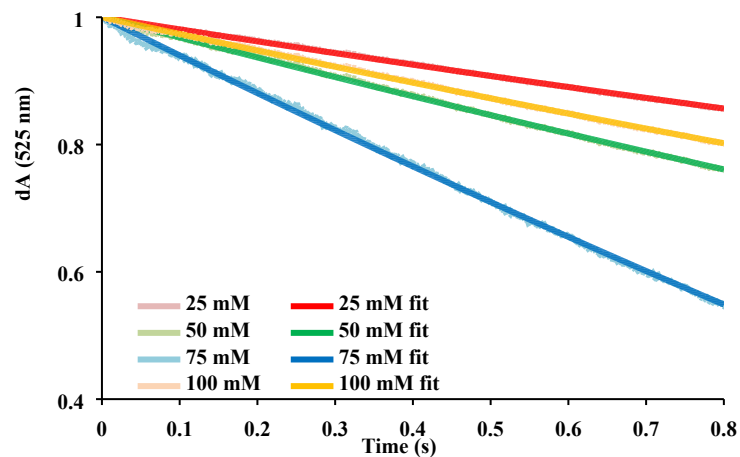
**Figure S1.** UV-vis spectra of 50 µM aquaCbl treated with at tBuOOH at pH 7, room temperature.



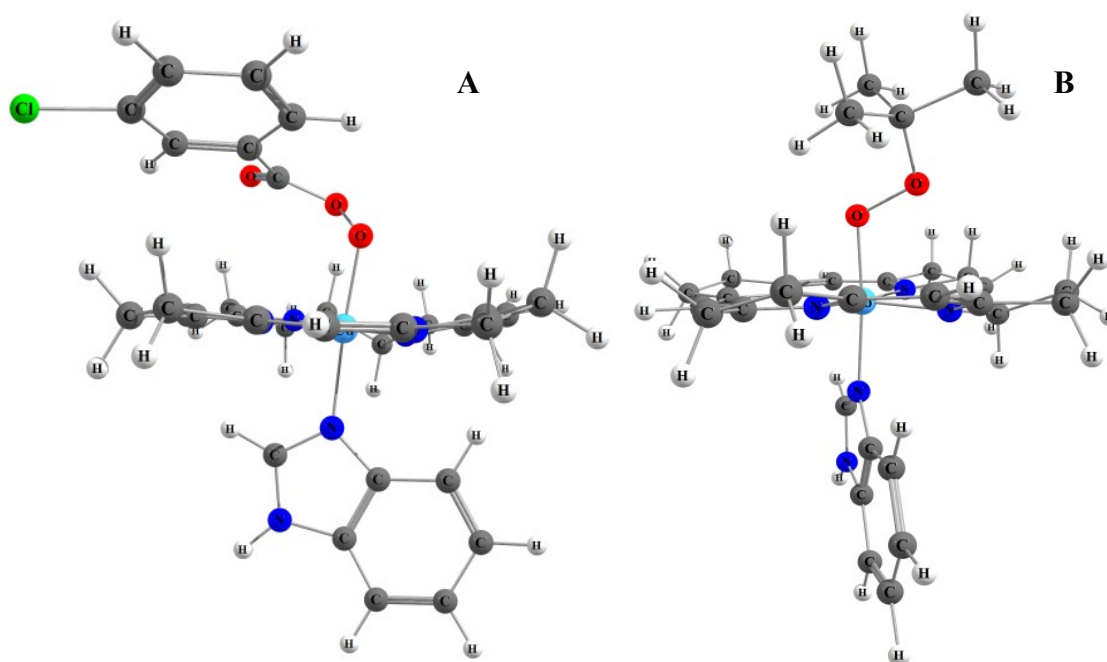
**Figure S2.** Titration curves for aquaCbl reacting with MCPBA at pH 7, monitored at 490 nm and 525 nm.



**Figure S3.** Representative spectra of species A and B at pH 7, room temperature, resulted from fitting of the stopped-flow data upon reaction of 0.3 mM aquaCbl with 25 mM MCPBA (upper left), 75 mM MCPBA (upper right) and 100 mM MCPBA (bottom).



**Figure S4.** Absorbance time course from stopped-flow UV-vis experiments at varying MCPBA concentrations monitored at 525 nm.



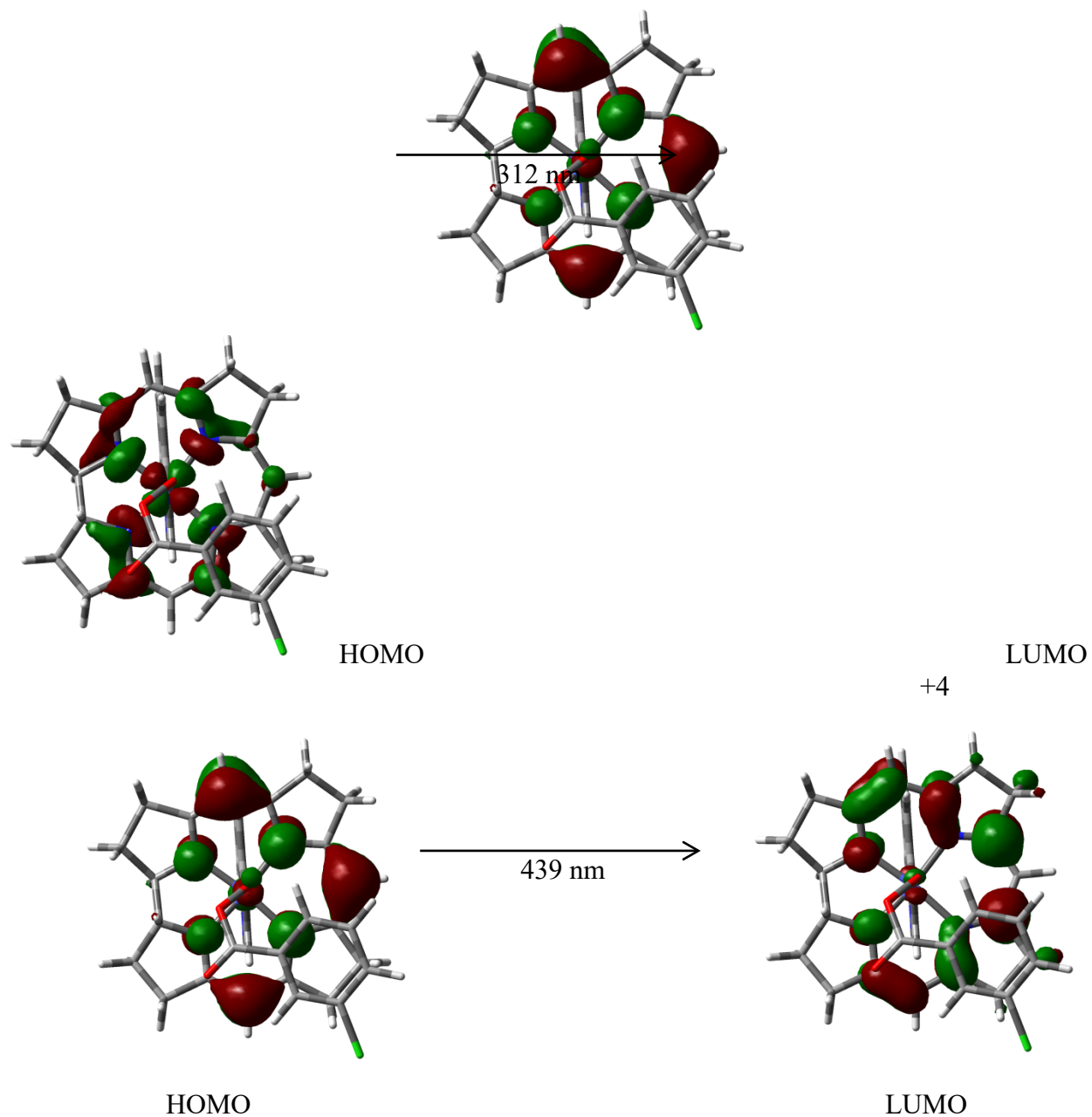
**Figure S5.** DFT-optimized geometries for Cbl-MCPBA (A) and Cbl-tBuOOH (B) complexes.

**Table S1.** DFT-derived data (key bond lengths in Å, and relative energies in kcal/mol, where applicable) of Cbl-MCPBA and Cbl-tBuOOH models.

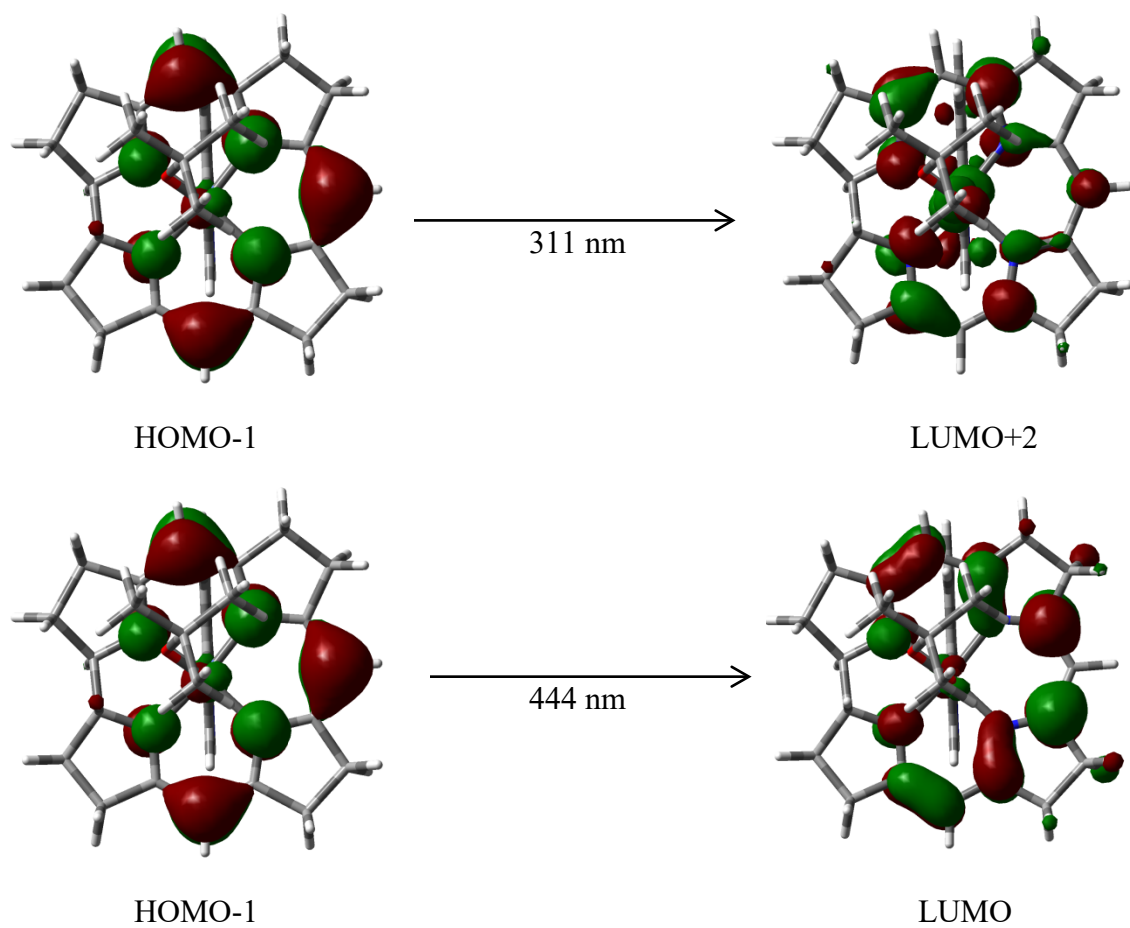
ligand	dE	Co-L	O-O	O-C	Co-DMBZ
MCPBA, bound via Cl	1.4	3.19	1.45	1.38	1.91
MCPBA, bound via O	0.0	2.07	1.46	1.38	1.92
MCPBA <sup>-</sup>		1.91	1.44	1.35	2.00
tBuOOH		2.01	1.48	1.47	1.94
tBuOO <sup>-</sup>		1.88	1.47	1.44	2.02

**Table S2.** TD-DFT-derived wavelengths (nm) and oscillator strengths (OS) for Cbl-MCPBA<sup>-</sup> and Cbl-tBuOO<sup>-</sup> models; the two most intense bands above 300 nm are reported.

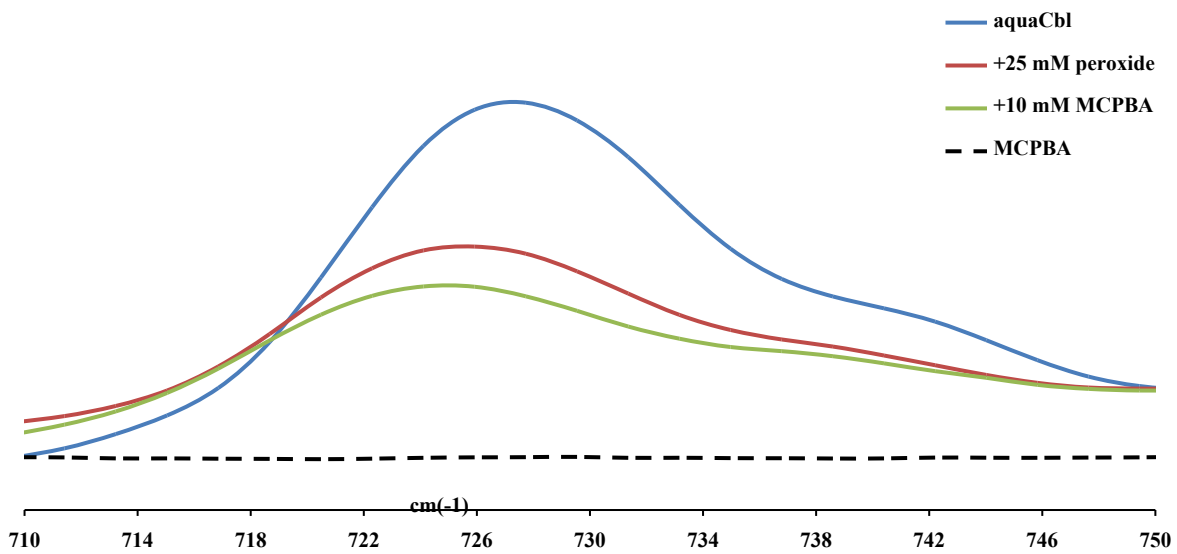
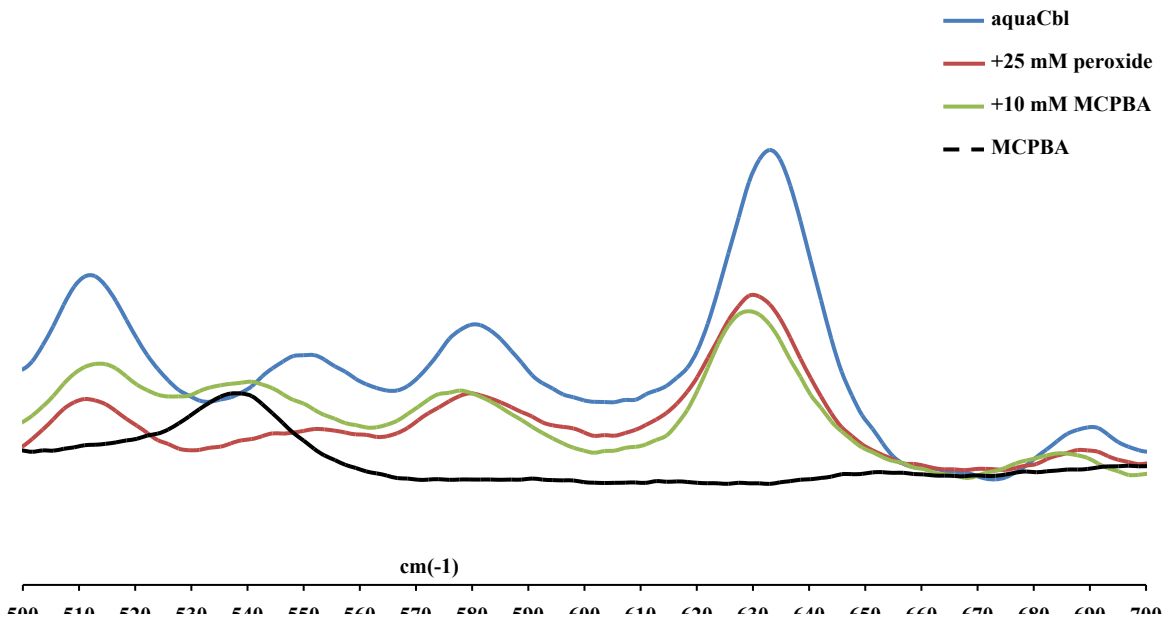
MCPBA		tBuOOH	
nm	OS	nm	OS
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439	0.1247	444	0.1091

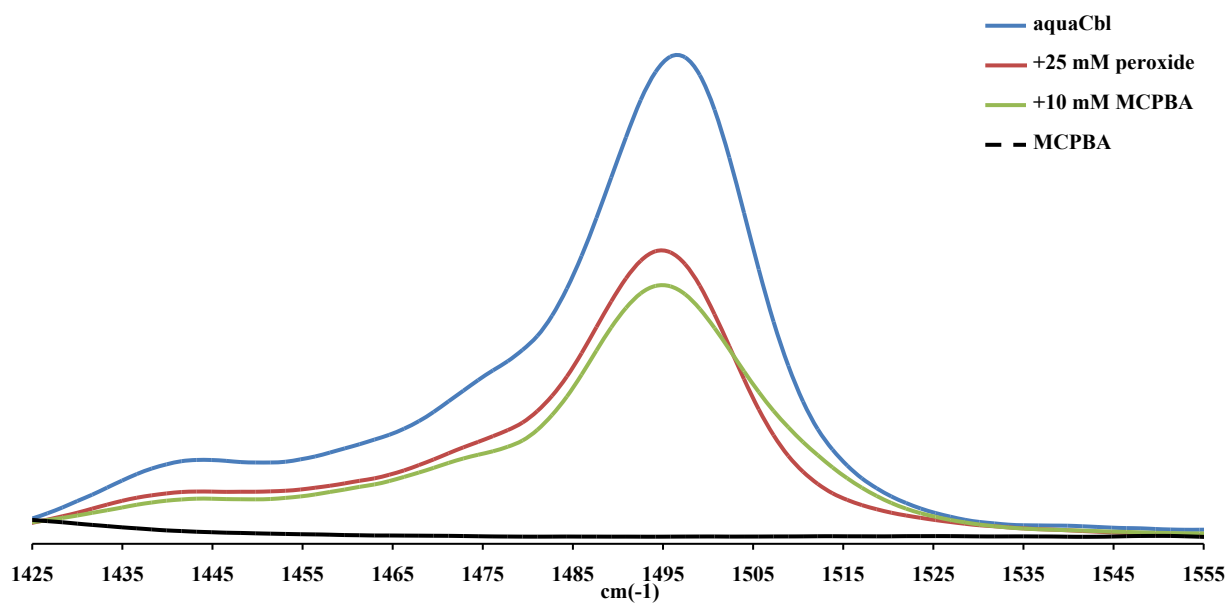
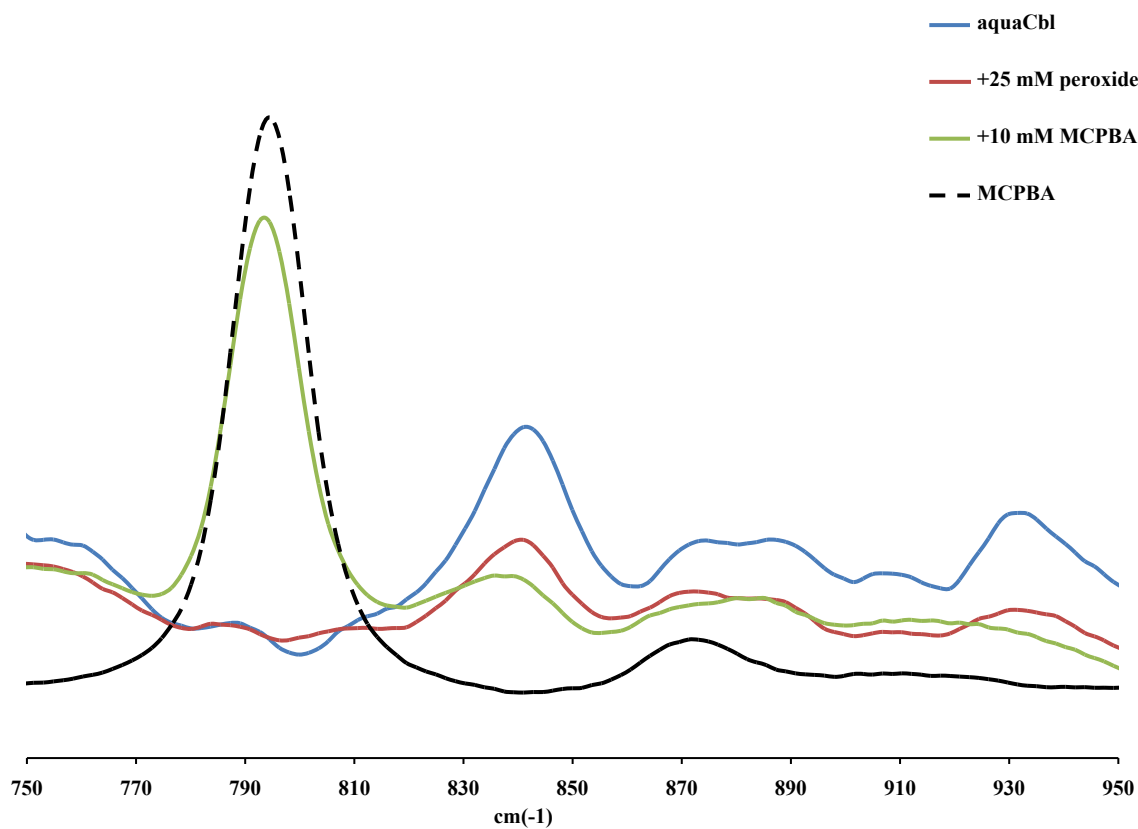


**Figure S6.** The main orbitals responsible for the main contributors to the two main bands in the TD-DFT spectra in MCPBA cf. B3PW91 calculations.



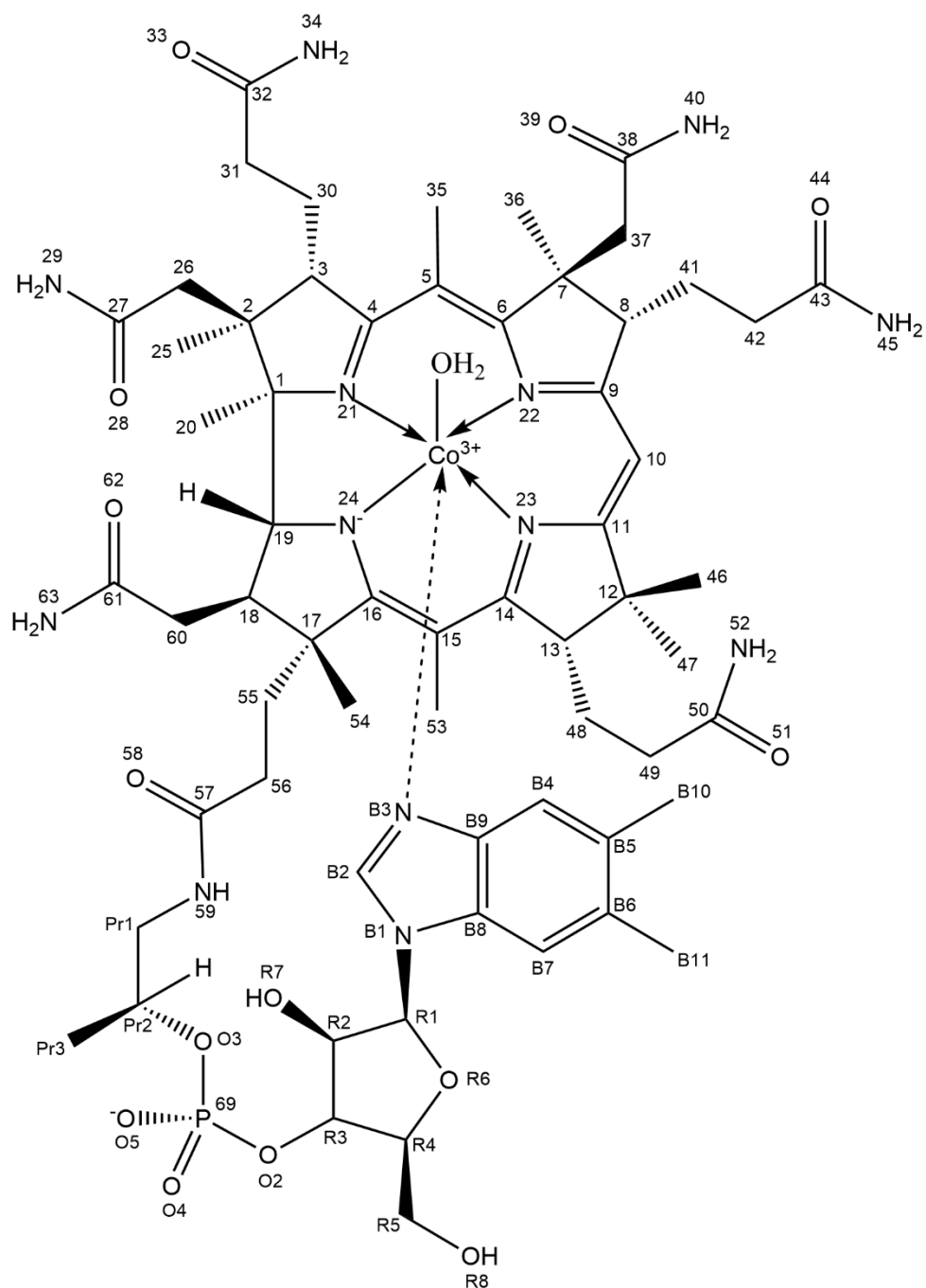
**Figure S7.** The main orbitals responsible for the main contributors to the two main bands in the TD-DFT spectra in tBuOOH cf. B3PW91 calculations.



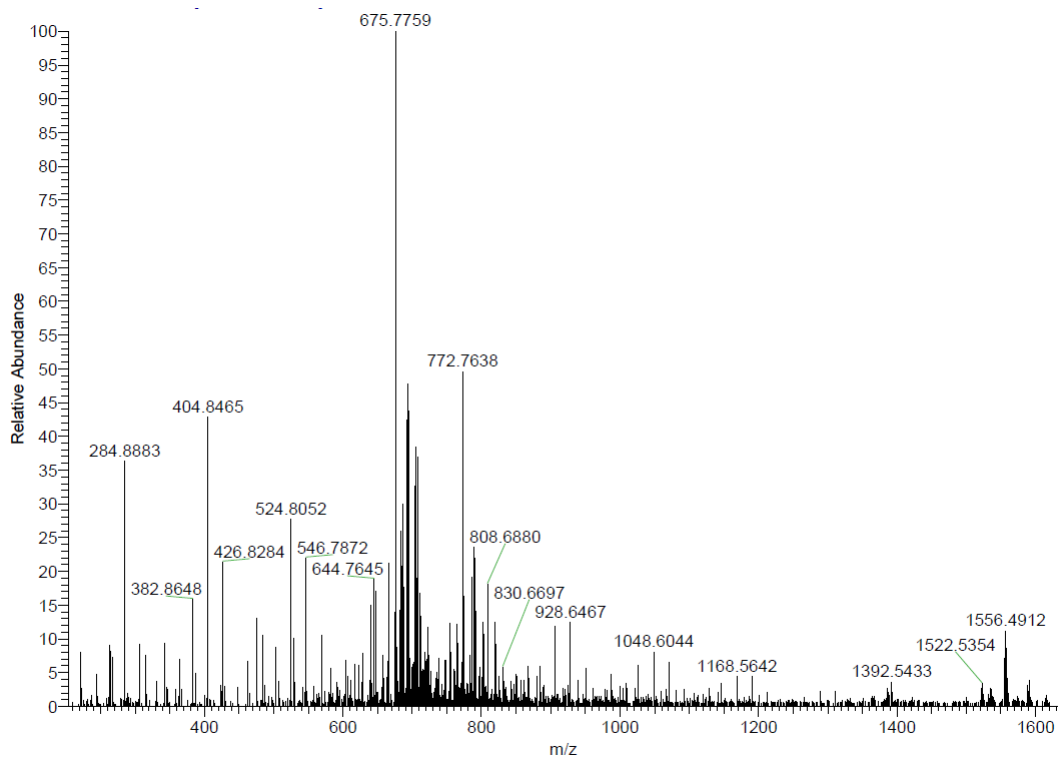
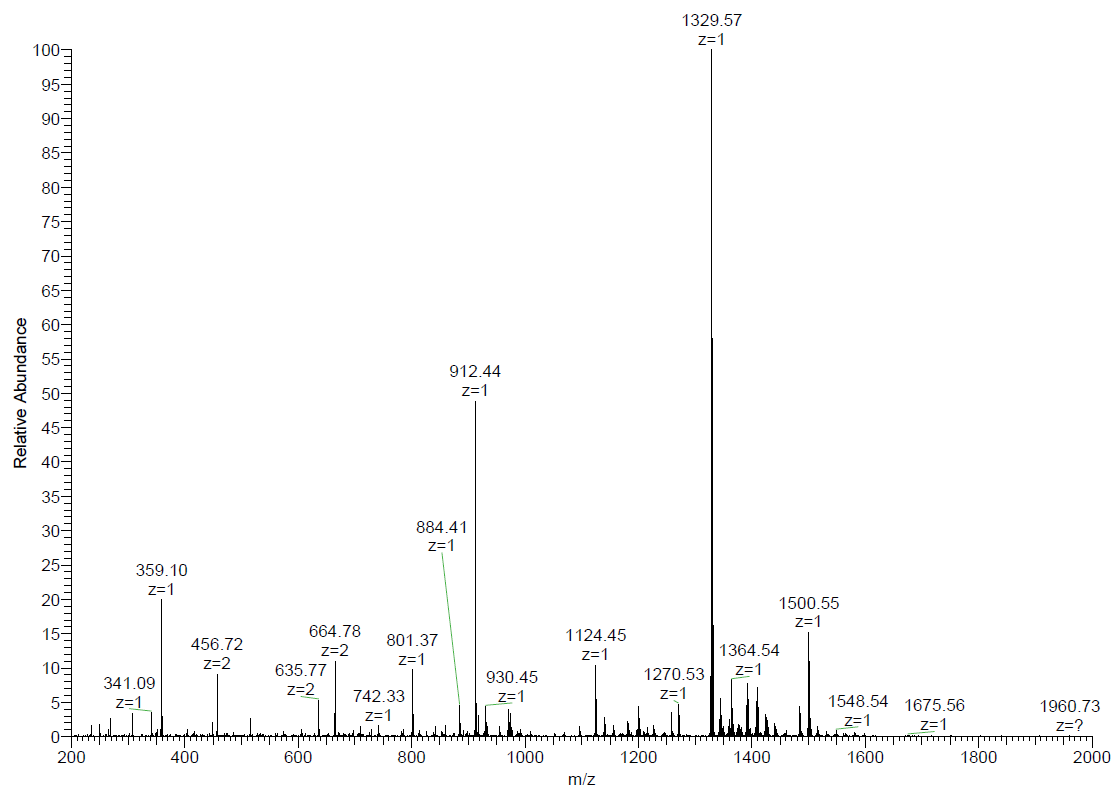


**Figure S8.** Details of resonance Raman spectra of Cbl in the presence or absence of hydrogen peroxide or MCPBA. Conditions: 1 mM aquaCbl, 25 mM H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, 10 mM MCPBA, 50 mM phosphate pH 7, 22°C.





**Figure S9.** Cbl structure with atom numbering/labeling employed for <sup>1</sup>H-NMR assignments. Standard labels are used, including “B” for the dimethylimidazole atoms, “R” for the ribose atoms, and “Pr” for the side-chain propyl group; for all other atoms, the label includes the chemical symbol by default (e.g., B2, R1, C10). Protons are referred to by the name of the atoms to which they are connected to. Hydrogen atoms bound to carbon are not shown explicitly, except for cases where their stereochemistry needs to be emphasized.



**Figure S10.** ESI(+)-HRMS ( $m/z$ ) for the Cbl-MCPBA adduct after 4 minutes (upper panel) and 30 minutes (lower panel) from mixing. Conditions: 1 mM  $\text{H}_2\text{OCbl}^+$ , 10 mM MCPBA, 50 mM

phosphate pH 7. Samples were prepared at room temperature; vaporizer temperature 50 °C, capillary temperature 275 °C, analyzer temperature 26 °C.

Cbl-MCPBA, bound via O

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