# Supplementary information Probing structural and dynamic properties of MAPbCl<sub>3</sub> hybrid perovskite using Mn<sup>2+</sup> EPR

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## Additional DFT data



Figure S1: DFT structure of  $MAPbCl_3$ :Mn used for calculation of the rotation potentials, when the  $Mn^{2+}$  ion is close to the (a) methyl and (b) ammonium group of the MA cation.

#### Initial sample characterization

The room-temperature PXRD pattern of the  $MAPbCl_3$ :Mn sample reveals that this compound has a cubic symmetry at room temperature (Figure S2a). The obtained pattern is in a good agreement with that of the pure  $MAPbCl_3$  compound.<sup>1</sup>

The room-temperature Raman spectrum of the MAPbCl<sub>3</sub>:Mn sample is presented in Figure S2b showing Raman bands originating from MA cations. The measured spectrum corresponds to the spectrum of the undoped MAPbCl<sub>3</sub> compound as reported in Ref. 2.

The room-temperature <sup>1</sup>H solid-state NMR spectrum of  $MAPbCl_3:Mn$  is presented in Figure S2c. The obtained spectrum is identical to that of the pure  $MAPbCl_3$ .



Figure S2: (a) Room-temperature PXRD of MAPbCl<sub>3</sub>:Mn. The simulated spectrum is presented for comparison. (b) Room-temperature Raman spectrum of MAPbCl<sub>3</sub>:Mn. (c) <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of MAPbCl<sub>3</sub>:Mn and undoped MAPbCl<sub>3</sub> obtained at room temperature, 11.7 T, 40 s recycle delay, and 50 kHz magic-angle spinning rate.

## Additional EPR data



Figure S3: Normalized Q-band EPR spectra of MAPbCl<sub>3</sub>:Mn recorded at different temperatures. Emphasis on the (a) central and (b) outer transitions.



Figure S4: Simulations (red) of the experimental (black) X-band CW EPR spectra of  $MAPbCl_3:Mn$  obtained at different temperature. Fine structure parameters used for simulations are indicated above the simulated spectra. The simulations also include a broad background line assigned to the clustered  $Mn^{2+}$  species.



Figure S5: Simulations (red) of the experimental (black) Q-band CW EPR spectra of  $MAPbCl_3:Mn$  obtained at different temperature. Fine structure parameters used for simulations are indicated above the simulated spectra. The simulations also include a broad background line assigned to the clustered  $Mn^{2+}$  species.



Figure S6: Simulation of the X-band CW EPR spectrum of  $MAPbCl_3:Mn$  recorded at 50 K, where both signals are well visible. The best agreement with the experiment is obtained by adding a broad EPR line (II) to the  $Mn^{2+}$  spectrum (I). The intensity of the broad line is about  $10 \times$  higher compared to the intensity of the well-resolved  $Mn^{2+}$  spectrum.



Figure S7: (a) X- and (b) Q-band EDFS spectra of  $MAPbCl_3:Mn$  obtained at 8 K. The corresponding first derivatives of the spectra are also presented. Arrows indicate the field position for the pulsed EPR experiments.



Figure S8: Inversion recovery data of MAPbCl<sub>3</sub>:Mn obtained at X-band (324.9 mT) frequency and different temperatures. Red curves indicate the best fits to a stretched exponential recovery function:  $V = a(1 - b \exp(-(\tau'/T_1)^{\gamma}))$ .



Figure S9: Inversion recovery data of MAPbCl<sub>3</sub>:Mn obtained at Q-band (1196.7 mT) frequency and different temperatures. Red curves indicate the best fits to a stretched exponential recovery function:  $V = a(1 - b \exp(-(\tau'/T_1)^{\gamma}))$ .



Figure S10: Hahn echo decays of MAPbCl<sub>3</sub>:Mn obtained at X-band frequency (324.9 mT) and different temperatures. Red curves indicate the best fits to a stretched exponential decay model:  $V = a \exp(-(2\tau/T_2)^{\gamma})$ .



Figure S11: Hahn echo decays of MAPbCl<sub>3</sub>:Mn obtained at Q-band frequency (1196.7 mT) and different temperatures. Red curves indicate the best fits to a stretched exponential decay model:  $V = a \exp(-(2\tau/T_2)^{\gamma})$ .



Figure S12: Temperature dependence of  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  times of MAPbCl<sub>3</sub>:Mn measured at X-and Q-band frequencies.



Figure S13: (a,c) Measured (8 K) and (b,d) simulated W-band 3p ESEEM time-domain traces of protonated and partially deuterated MAPbCl<sub>3</sub>:Mn.



Figure S14: Simulation of the 3p ESEEM spectrum of MAPbCl<sub>3</sub>:Mn using single-valued  $(V_3 = 13.57 \text{ kJ/mol})$  and distributed  $(V_3 = 13.57 \text{ kJ/mol})$ , FWHM = 0.22 kJ/mol) rotational barrier of NH<sub>3</sub> groups. The experimental spectrum is presented for comparison.



Figure S15: Temperature dependence of the 3p ESEEM spectrum of  $MAPbCl_3:Mn$  obtained at Q-band (1194.8 mT) frequency.



Figure S16: Room-temperature X-band CW EPR spectrum of  $MAPbI_3$  mechanosynthesised with 1 mol%  $MnBr_2$  showing unsuccessful incorporation of the  $Mn^{2+}$  ions.

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