

Supporting Information

Electrocatalytic O₂-Reduction by Synthetic Cytochrome *c* Oxidase Mimics: Identification of a “Bridging Peroxo” Intermediate Involved in Facile 4e⁻/4H⁺ O₂-Reduction

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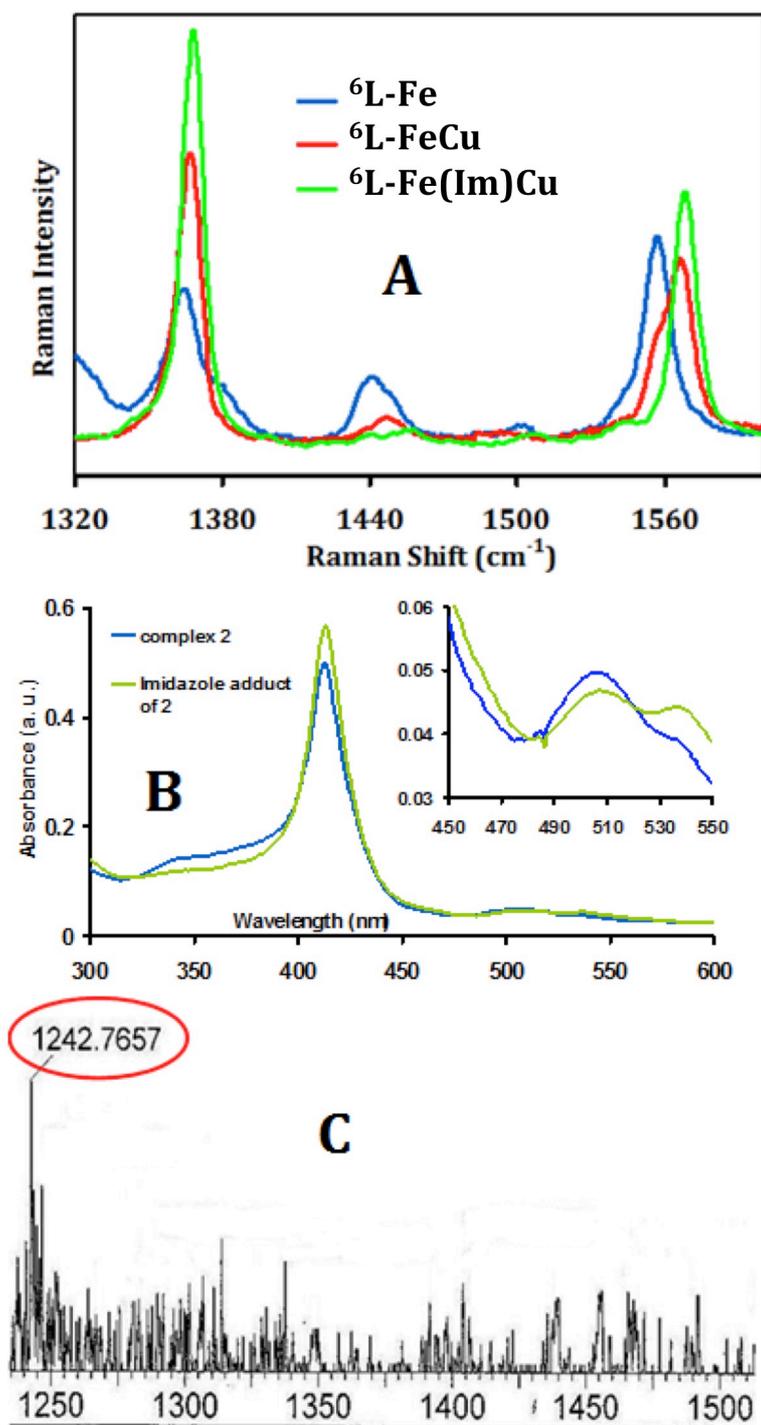


Figure S1. (A) Resonance Raman spectra for complex **1**, **2** and **3** in dichloromethane solution at room temperature using laser of 413.1 nm wavelength. (B) UV-Vis spectra for complex **2** and its imidazole adduct (**3**). (C) ESI mass spectrum of **3**, $m/z = 1242$. This is to be noted that in all the experiments, 1 equivalent of imidazole is added externally to the resting oxidized state of complex **2** to prepare complex **3** which has been further used for other electrochemical and spectroscopic experiments without any chemical treatment.

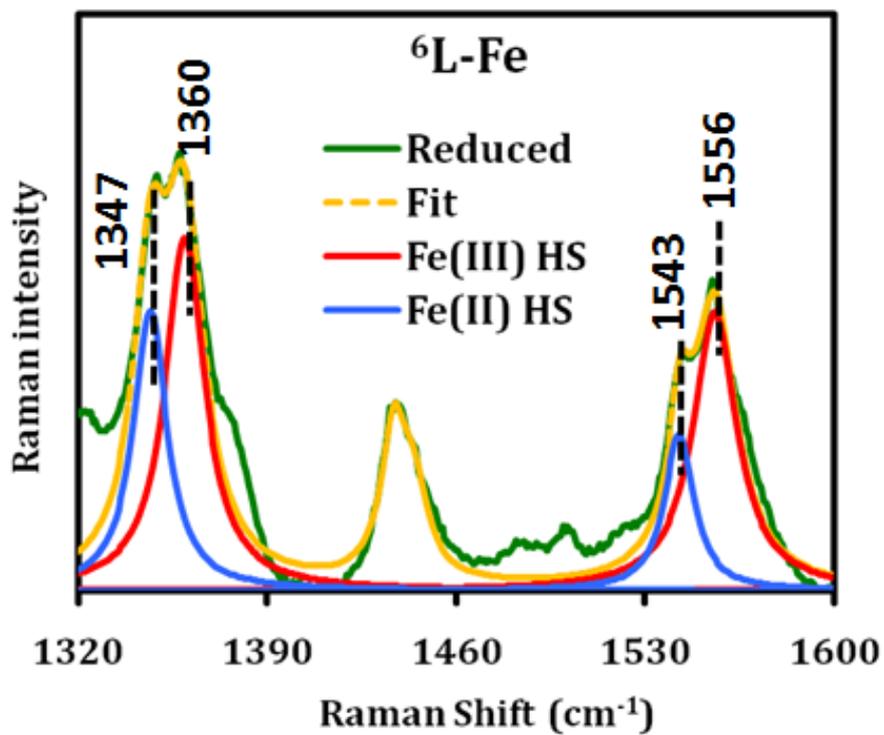


Figure S2. SERRS–RDE data of complex **1** under reduced condition in Ar atmosphere at constant rotation of 200 rpm. The oxidation state marker band (ν_4) and spin state marker band (ν_2) obtained at negative potential have been fit with different components using Lorentzian fit.

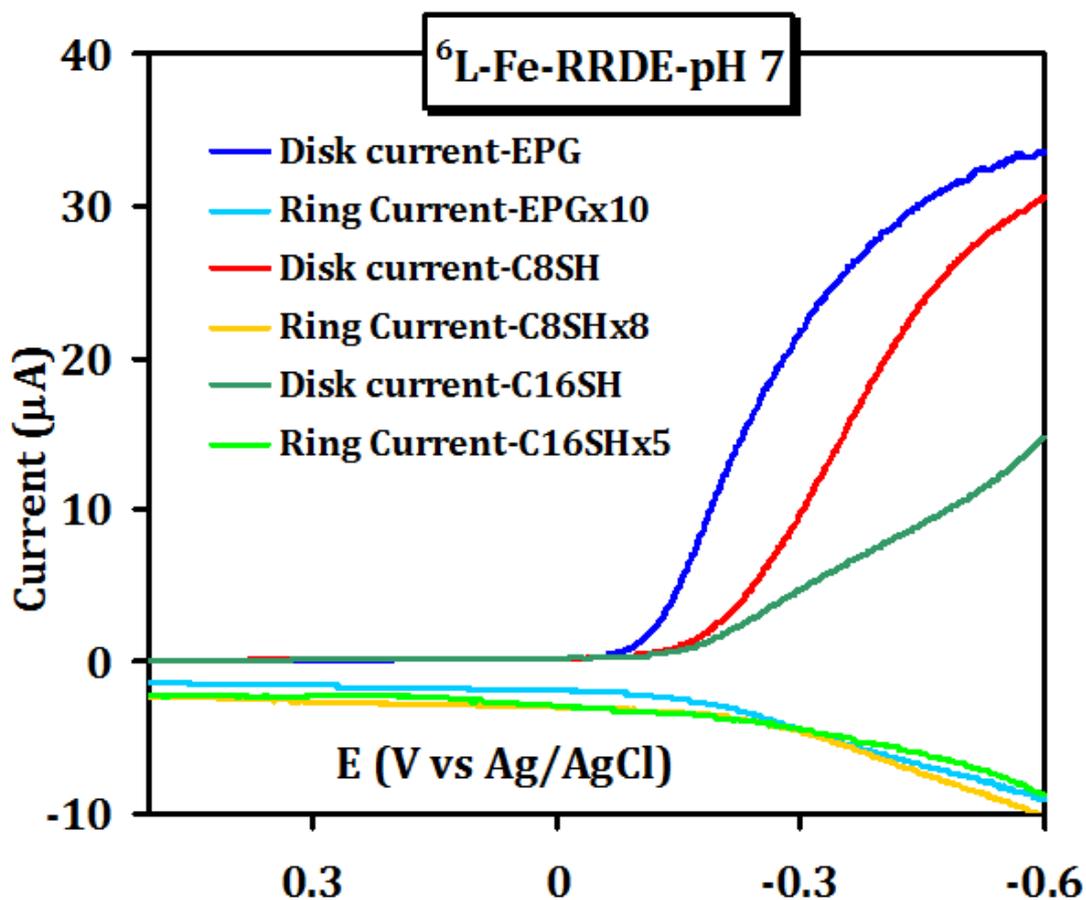


Figure S3. RRDE data of complex **1**, showing the disk and Pt ring currents, physisorbed on EPG (blue), C₈SH modified Au (red) and C₁₆SH modified Au (green) in air saturated pH = 7 buffer at a scan rate of 10 mV/s and rotation speed of 300 rpm, using Ag/AgCl reference and Pt wire counter electrodes. The ring currents have been multiplied for better representation of the data.

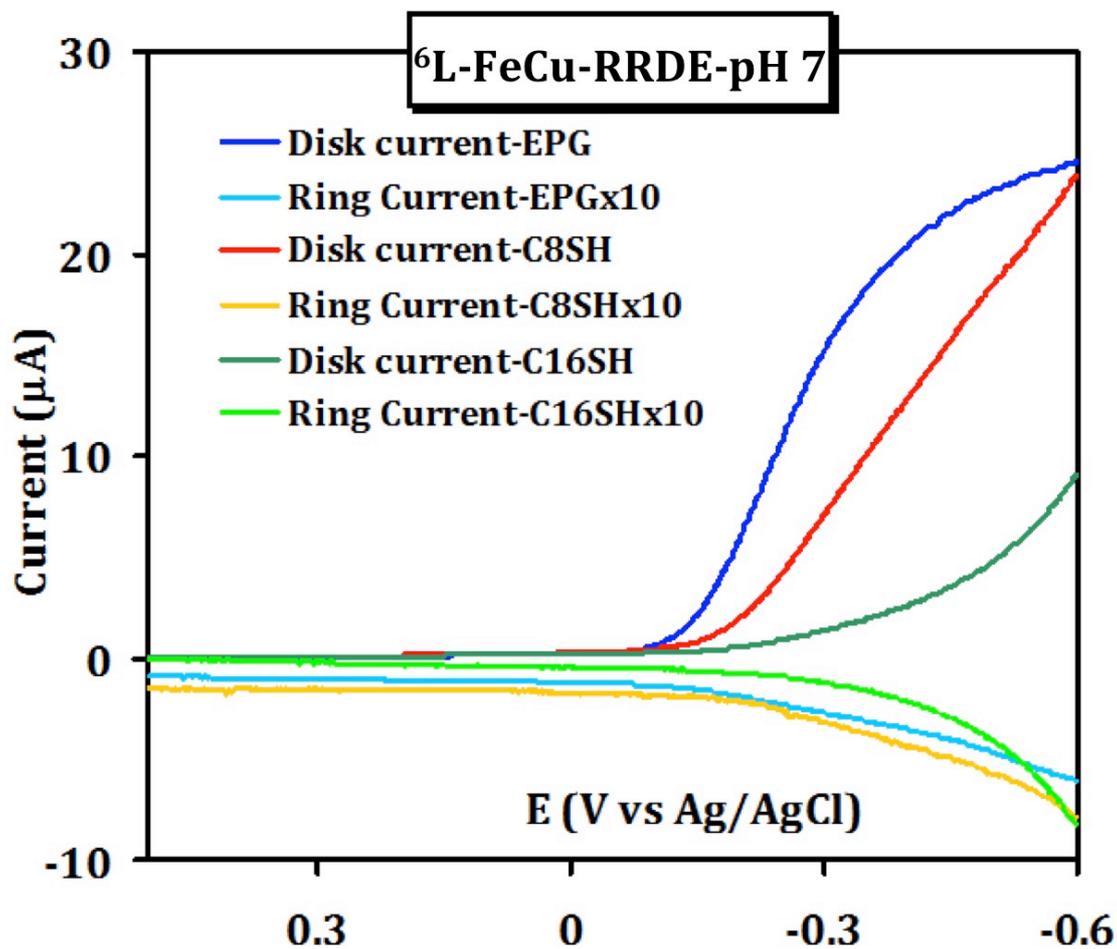


Figure S4. RRDE data of complex 2, showing the disk and Pt ring currents, physisorbed on EPG (blue), C₈SH modified Au (red) and C₁₆SH modified Au (green) in air saturated pH = 7 buffer at a scan rate of 10 mV/s and rotation speed of 300 rpm, using Ag/AgCl reference and Pt wire counter electrodes. The ring currents have been multiplied for better representation of the data.

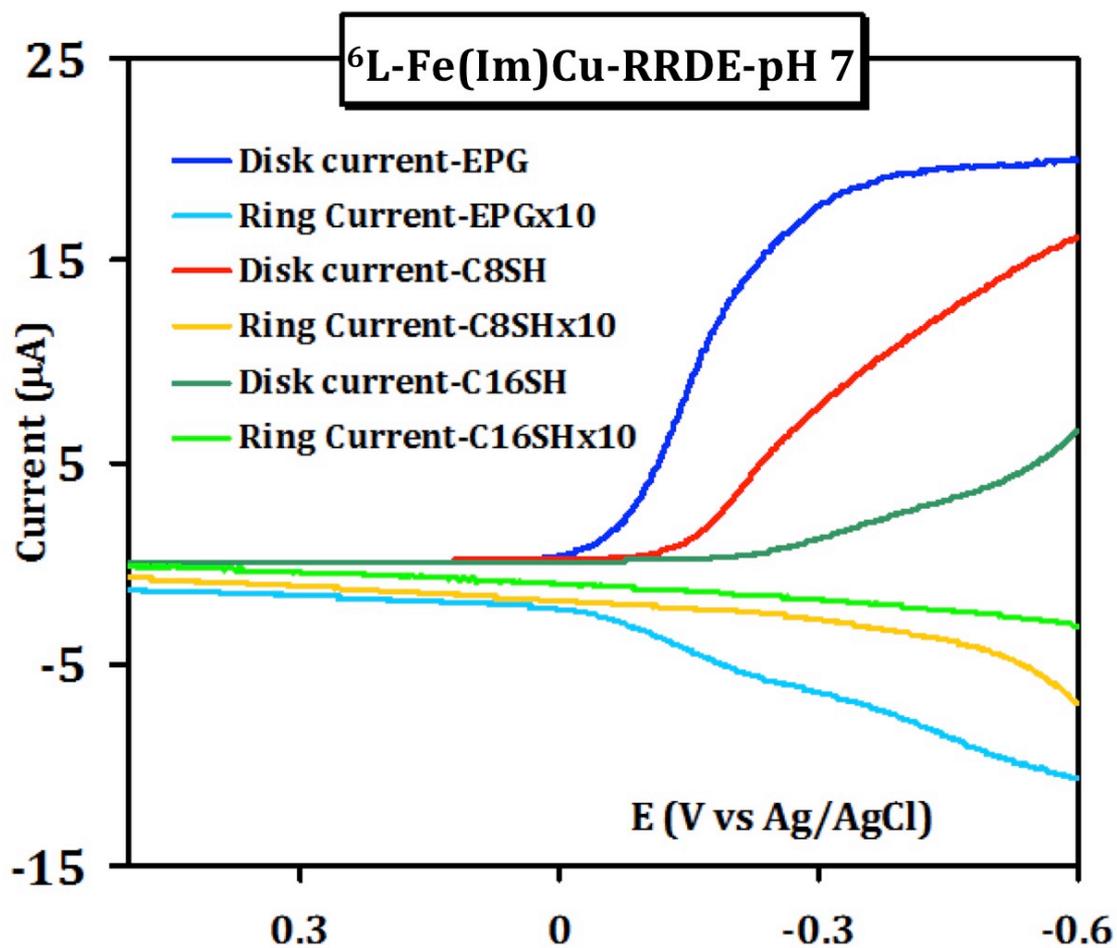


Figure S5. RRDE data of complex **3**, showing the disk and Pt ring currents, physisorbed on EPG (blue), C₈SH modified Au (red) and C₁₆SH modified Au (green) in air saturated pH = 7 buffer at a scan rate of 10 mV/s and rotation speed of 300 rpm, using Ag/AgCl reference and Pt wire counter electrodes. The ring currents have been multiplied for better representation of the data.

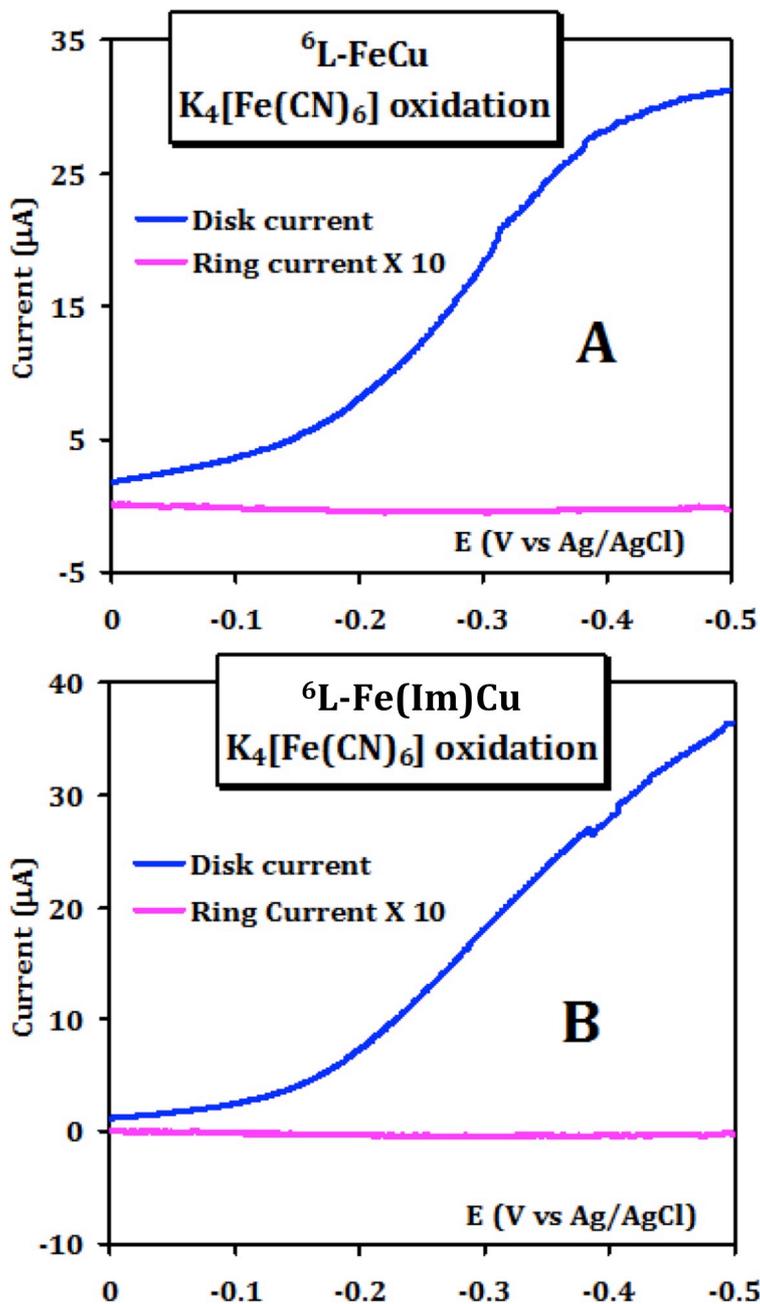


Figure S6. RRDE experiment of complex 2 (A) and 3 (B) when physisorbed on C_8SH modified Au surface in pH = 7 buffer containing 10 mM $K_4[Fe(CN)_6]$ using Ag/AgCl as reference and Pt wire as counter electrodes. The Pt ring has been held at 0 V (vs Ag/AgCl).

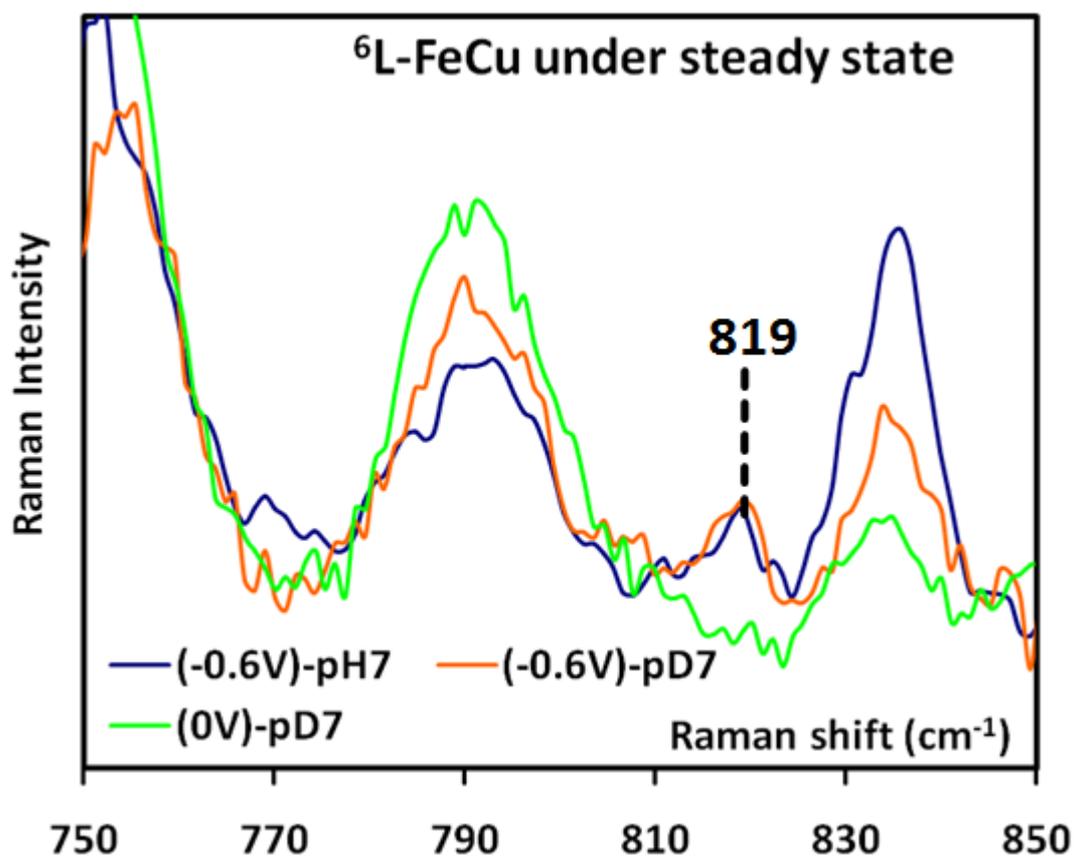


Figure S7. SERRS-RDE data in the low frequency region under oxidized (green) and steady state (blue for pH = 7 and orange for pD = 7) in the presence of pH = 7 and pD = 7 buffer for complex **2** on C₈SH modified Ag surfaces under constant rotation of 200 rpm.

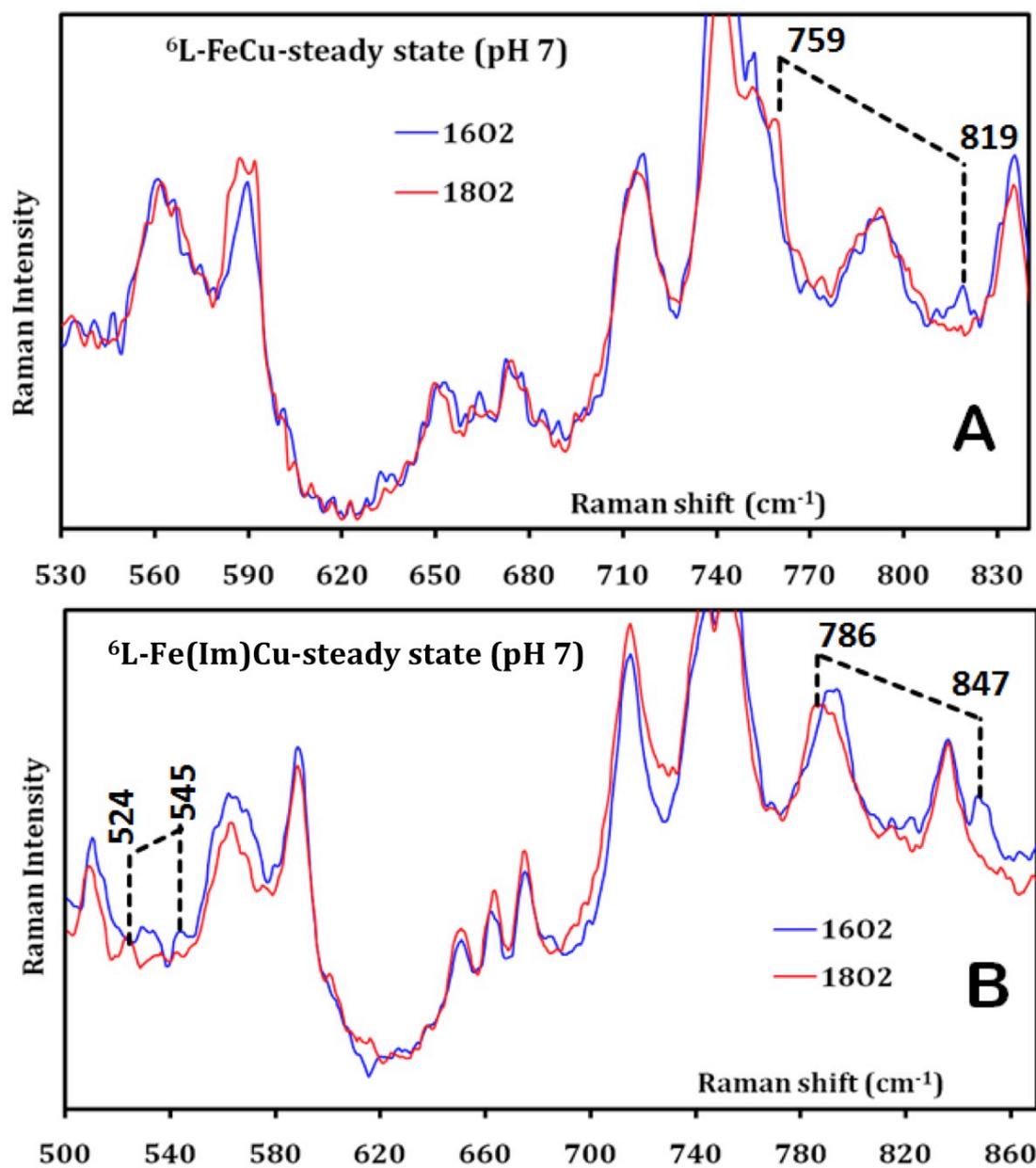


Figure S8. SERRS-RDE data in the low frequency region under steady state in the presence of air (blue) and ¹⁸O₂ (red) saturated pH = 7 buffer for complex 2 (A) and complex 3 (B) on C₈SH modified Ag surfaces showing the ν_{Fe-O/Cu-O} vibrations in the region 500-550 cm⁻¹.