

Supplementary Information

Thiol, Disulfide, and Trisulfide Complexes of Ru Porphyrins: Potential Models for Iron-Sulfur Bonds in Heme-Proteins

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Table S1. Thiol, sulfide, disulfide, and trisulfide ^1H NMR data used for the calculation of the “ring-current shielding shift”.^a

Compound	Alkyl Chain							$p\text{-C}_6\text{H}_4\text{X}$		
	SH	C^1H	C^2H	C^3H	C^4H	C^5H	C^6H	o-H	m-H	p-X
MeSH	0.80 (q)	1.49 (t)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
EtSH	1.06 (t)	2.07 (m)	0.94 (t)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
$n\text{PrSH}$	1.02 (t)	2.07 (m)	1.29 (m)	0.71 (t)	–	–	–	–	–	–
$i\text{PrSH}$	1.33 (d)	2.73 (m)	1.04 (d)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
$t\text{BuSH}$	1.61 (s)	–	1.20 (s)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
BnSH	1.39 (t)	3.25 (t)	–	–	–	–	–	7.03 (m)	7.03 (m)	7.03 (m, $\text{X} = \text{H}$)
PhSH	3.00 (s)	–	–	–	–	–	–	6.97 (m)	6.86 (m)	6.86 (m, $\text{X} = \text{H}$)
MeSSMe	–	1.72 (s)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
BnSSBn	–	3.34 (s)	–	–	–	–	–	7.07 (m)	7.07 (m)	7.07 (m, $\text{X} = \text{H}$)
MeSSMe	–	1.96 (s)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
EtSSEt	–	2.35 (q)	1.07 (t)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
$n\text{PrSS}n\text{Pr}$	–	2.40 (t)	1.54 (m)	0.78 (t)	–	–	–	–	–	–
$t\text{BuSS}t\text{Bu}$	–	–	1.21 (s)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
BnSSBn	–	3.34 (s)	–	–	–	–	–	7.06 (m)	7.06 (m)	7.06 (m, $\text{X} = \text{H}$)
MeSS <i>t</i> Bu	–	2.05 (s)	1.18 (s)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
MeSSSSMe	–	2.06 (s)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
BnSSSSBn	–	3.72 (s)	–	–	–	–	–	7.05 (m)	7.05 (m)	7.05 (m, $\text{X} = \text{H}$)

^a δ values in ppm (C_6D_6 , room temperature, under air).

Table S2. ^1H NMR titration of Ru(TMP)(MeCN)₂ with MeSSMe in C_6D_6 . Legend: M, Ru(TMP); A, MeCN; B, MeSSMe.^{a,b}

Entry	C_B $/\text{mmol L}^{-1}$	C_B/C_{Ru}	Integration values for <i>o</i> -Me signals ^c			% Species distribution			K_2/K_1^e
			MA_2	MAB^d	MB_2	MA_2	MAB	MB_2	
1-	0.00	0.00	24	0	0	100	0	0	–
2-	1.09	0.42	17.69	4.34 (2.16 + 2.18)	1.97	73.7	18.1	8.2	1.84
3-	2.15	0.83	10.51	6.02 (3.00 + 3.02)	6.58	43.8	25.1	27.4	1.90
4-	2.68	1.04	8.86	6.98 (3.55 + 3.43)	8.52	36.9	29.1	35.5	1.55
5-	3.20	1.25	6.82	6.34 (3.17 + 3.17)	10.15	28.4	26.4	42.3	1.72
6-	3.71	1.45	4.37	5.69 (2.74 + 2.95)	12.50	18.2	23.7	52.1	1.69
7-	4.21	1.66	3.58	5.30 (2.64 + 2.66)	15.41	14.9	22.1	64.2	1.96
8-	4.72	1.87	2.40	4.08 (2.04 + 2.04)	16.82	10.0	17.0	70.1	2.43
9-	5.21	2.08	1.58	3.53 (1.70 + 1.82)	18.89	6.6	14.7	78.7	2.40
10-	5.70	2.28	0.91	2.64 (1.44 + 1.20)	20.40	3.8	11.0	85.0	2.67
11-	7.15	2.91	0	~0	~24	0	< 1	~100	–
									2.0 ± 0.4

^a Data at 25.0 ± 0.1 °C, under Ar. ^b $C_{\text{Ru}} = 2.65 - 2.46 \times 10^{-3}$ mol L^{-1} (decrease in total Ru concentration during titration is due to dilution on addition of MeSSMe solution). ^c Integration values normalized against total integration of the *p*-Me signals (calibrated to 12 protons). ^d Integration values for each *o*-Me signal of MAB species are given in parentheses.

^e $K_2/K_1 = [\text{MA}_2] \cdot [\text{MB}_2]/[\text{MAB}]^2$.

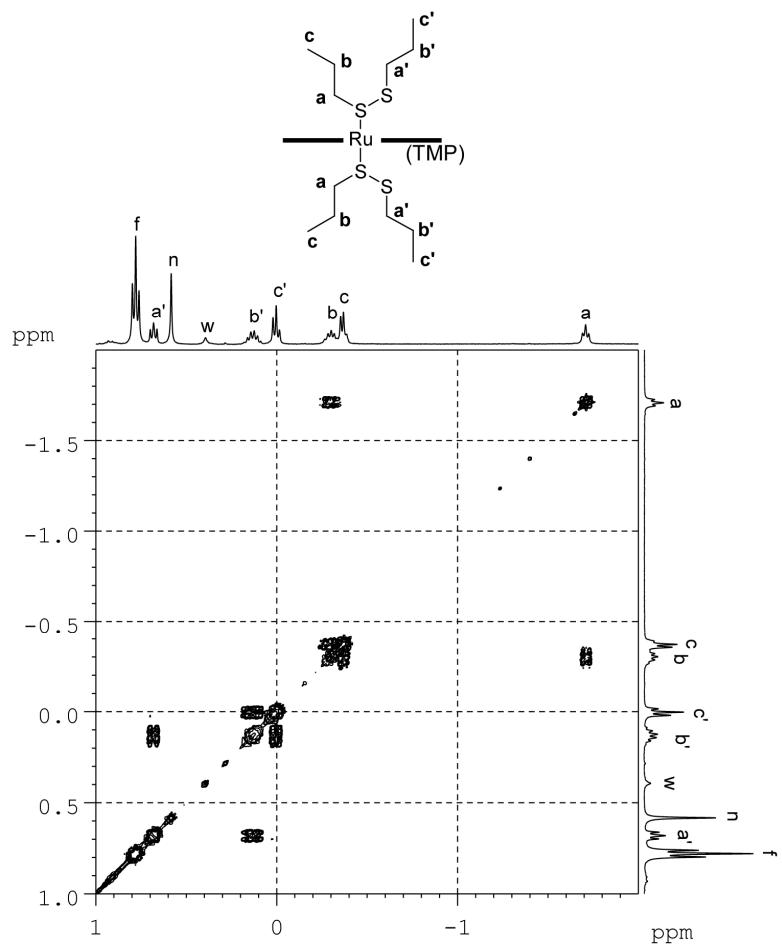


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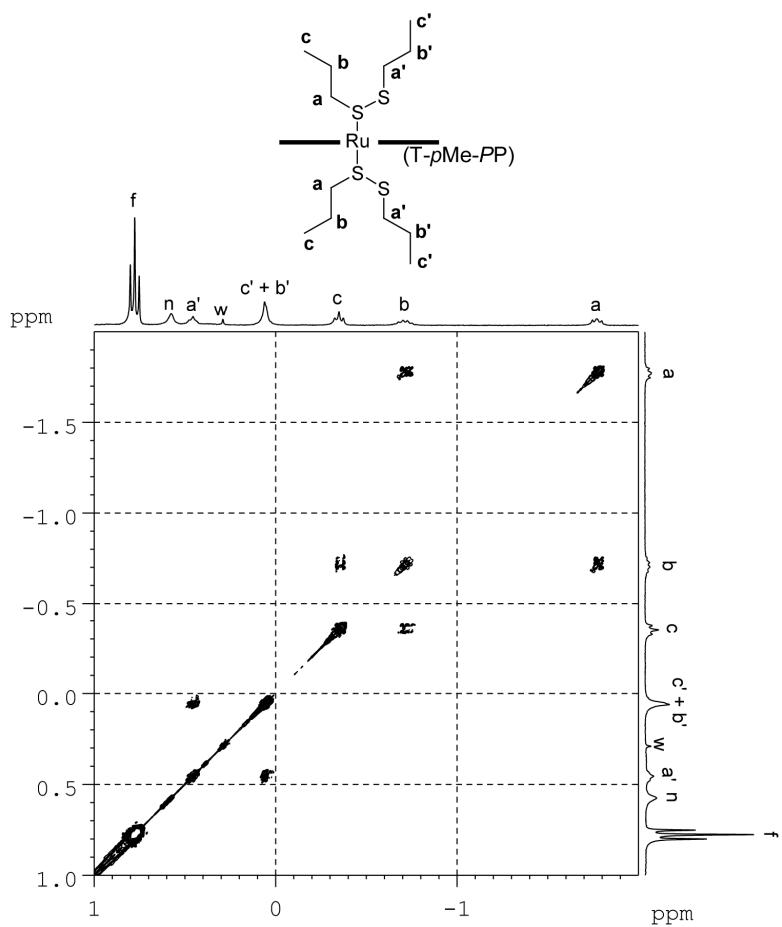


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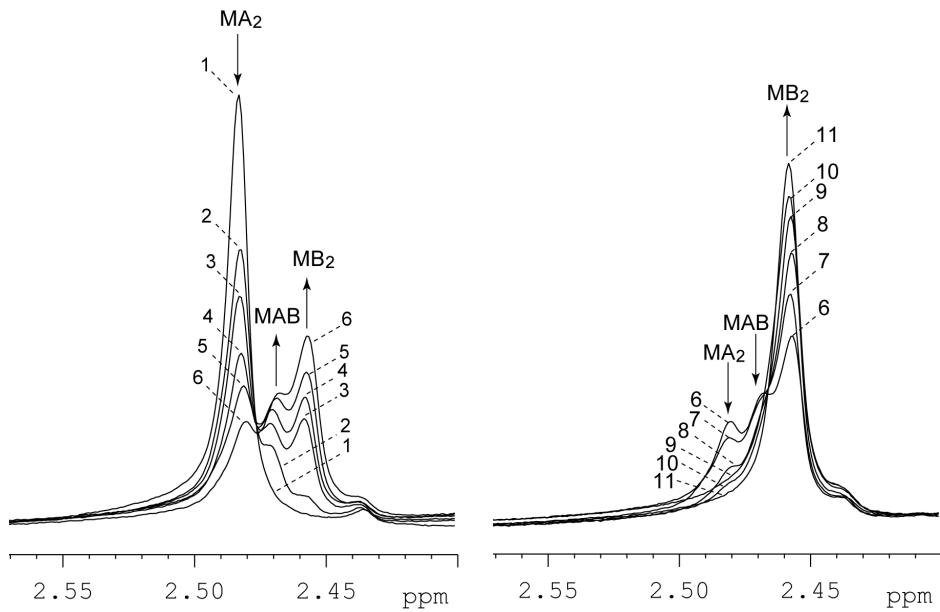


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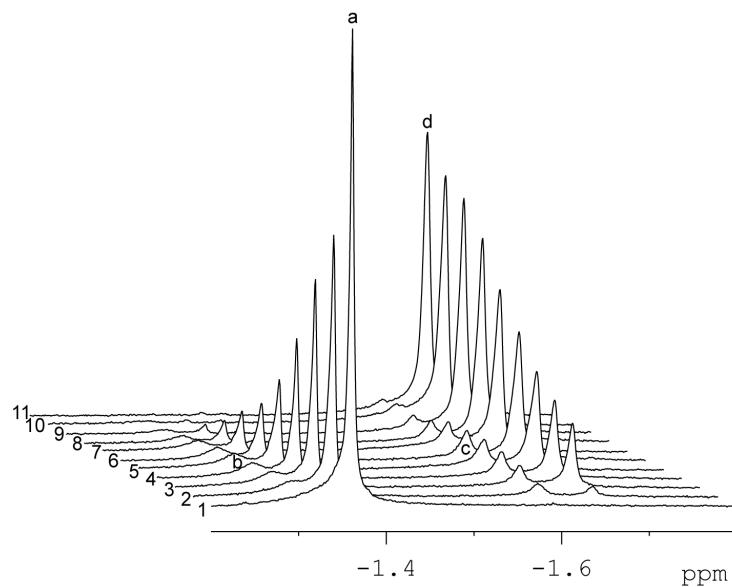


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