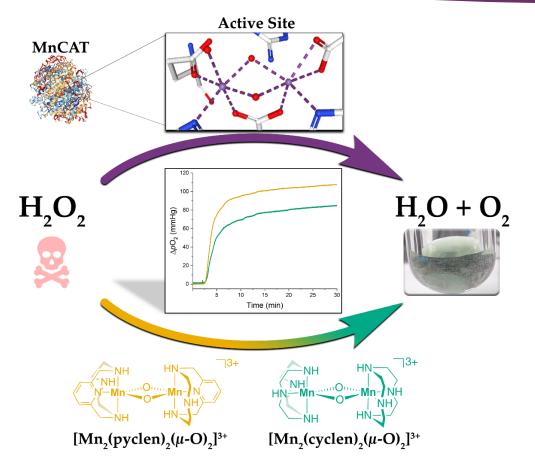


Hydrogen Peroxide Disproportionation with Manganese Macrocyclic Complexes of Cyclen and Pyclen

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Mn Pyridinophanes as Catalysts for H₂O₂ Disproportionation



• ROS is a threat to multiple types of tissues and cells

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 Contributes to the development of neurodegenerative, pulmonary, and cardiovascular diseases as well as promote a number of inflammation pathways

Catalase family of enzymes

- Mitigate the risk from ROS
- Most catalase enzymes contain an ironprotoporphyrin IX prosthetic group (FeCAT)
- Some bacteria use manganese-based catalases (MnCAT)

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Catalase The Enzyme that Balances ROS

- Found in living organisms exposed to oxygen
- It catalyzes the decomposition of hydrogen peroxide to water and oxygen.

$$2H_2O_2 \xrightarrow{Catalase} H_2O + O_2$$

- It protects the cell from oxidative damage by reactive oxygen species (ROS).
- One catalase molecule can convert millions of hydrogen peroxide molecules to water and oxygen each second

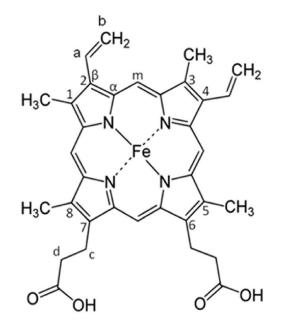


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Metal Centers Found in Catalases

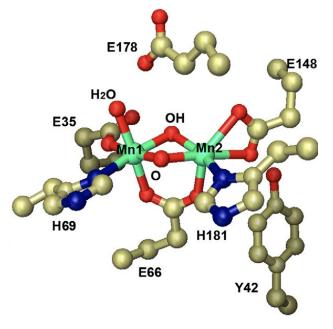
Fe-Based Catalases



Fe(III) Protoporphyrin IX Prosthetic Group (Heme)

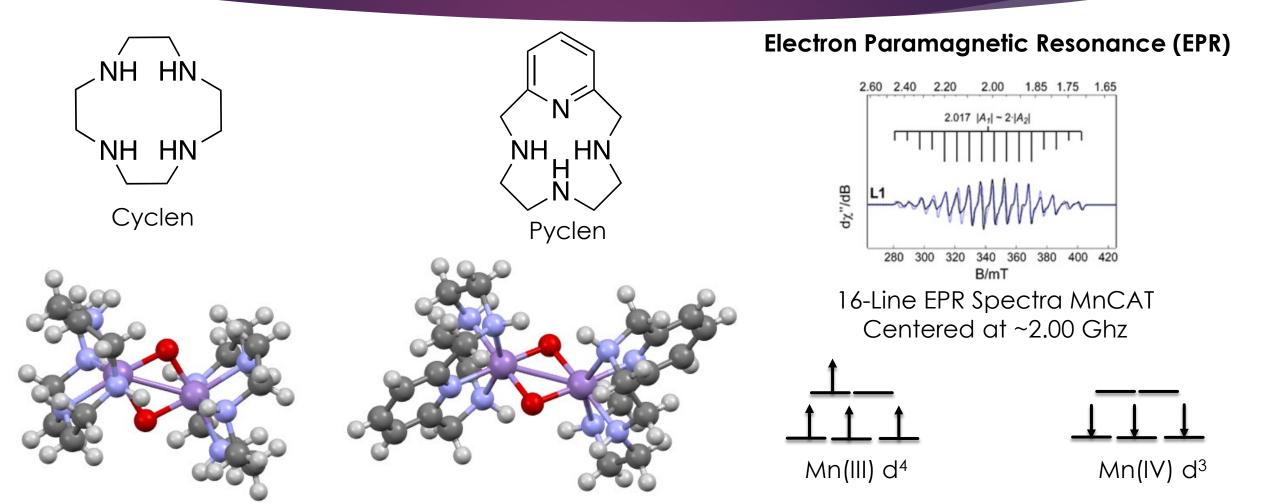
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Binuclear Manganese Active Center

Mn Complexes Synthesized within the Green Group



How did we measure O_2 production?

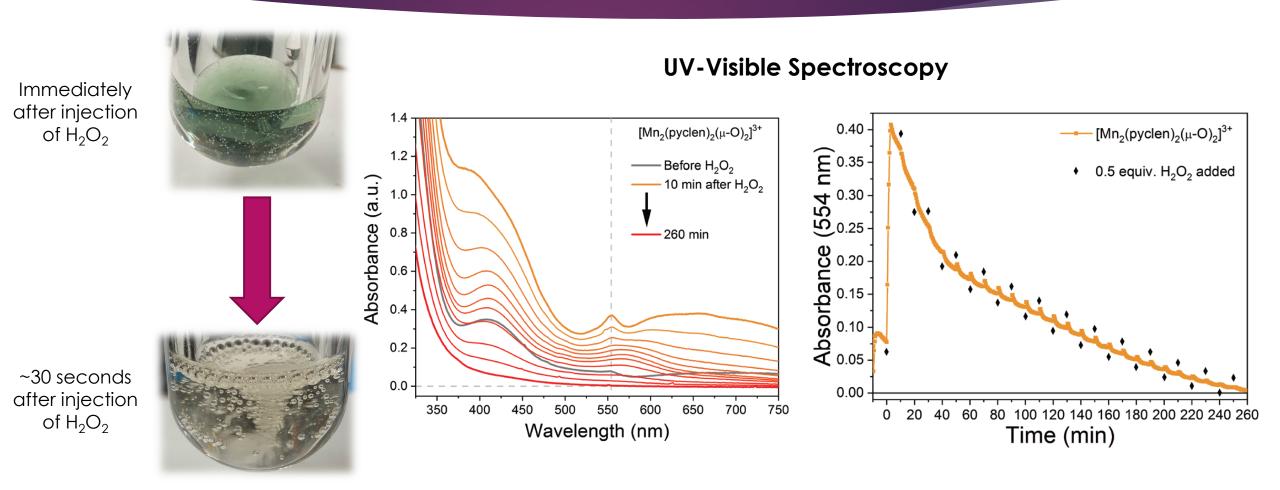
Microsensor •

Reaction Cell (15 mL)

Unisense O_2 Microsensor

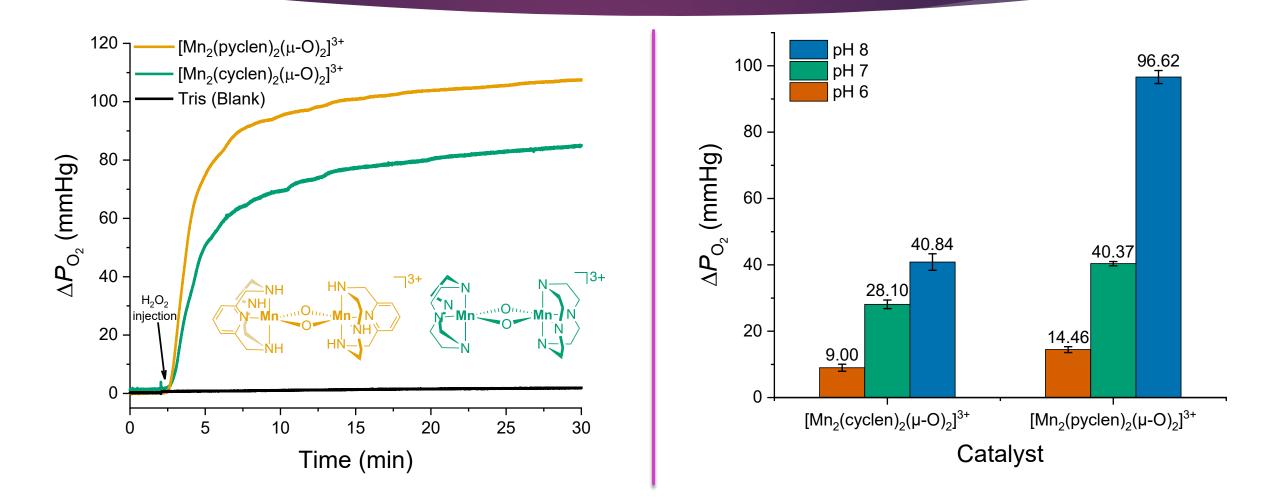


O₂ Production and Color of the Solutions



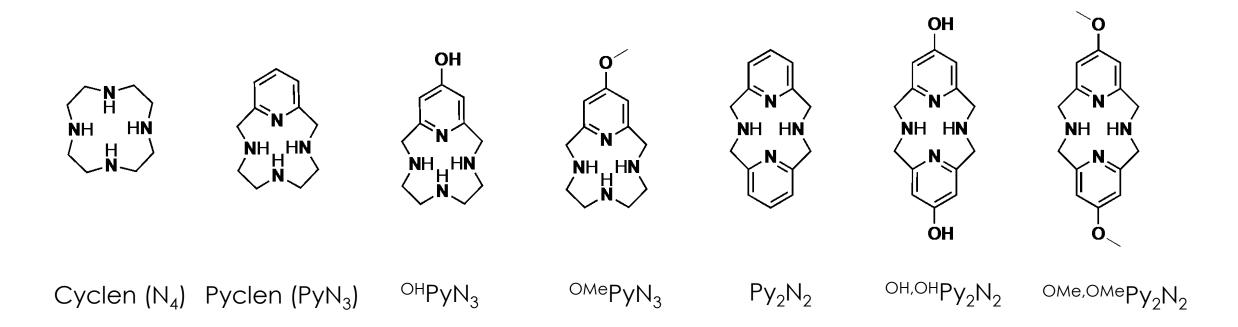
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Structure of the Ligand and Reactivity



Future Directions

Kinetics and computational methods involving a bigger library of ligands



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