

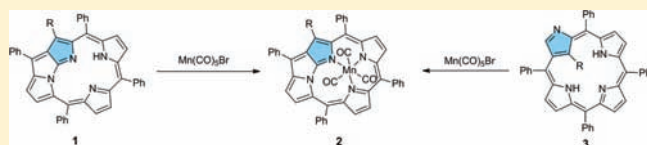
Synthesis, Reactivity, and Properties of N-Fused Porphyrin Manganese(I) Tricarbonyl Complexes

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Supporting Information

ABSTRACT: The reactions of N-fused tetraphenylporphyrin (NFTPP, **1a**) and its 21-substituted derivatives, 21-Br-NFTPP (**1b**), 21-NO₂-NFTPP (**1c**), and 21-Bz-NFTPP (**1d**), with Mn(CO)₅Br gave the manganese(I) tricarbonyl complexes bearing N-fused tetraphenylporphyrinato ligands (**2a–d**), respectively, in 46–99% yields. The complexes were characterized by mass, IR, ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectroscopy, and the final structural proof was evident from the X-ray crystallographic analysis for **2a**. The crystals of **2a**·CH₂Cl₂ belong to the monoclinic space group *P*₂₁/*n* (#14), with *a* = 15.007(2) Å, *b* = 12.5455(19) Å, *c* = 21.150(3) Å, β = 102.227(4)°, and *Z* = 4. The lengths (Å) of three manganese–nitrogen and three manganese–carbon bonds are inequivalent respectively [Mn–N(2), 2.007(2); Mn–N(23), 2.033(2); Mn–N(24), 1.988(3); and Mn–CO, 1.798(4), 1.804(4), 1.841(3)], reflecting the asymmetric structure of the NFp ligand. The aromatic substitution reactions of **2a**, such as nitration, formylation, and chlorination, proceeded without a loss of center metal to give the corresponding 21-nitro (**2c**), 21-formyl (**2e**), and 21-chloro (**2f**) derivatives, regioselectively. In the electrochemical measurements of **2**, one reversible oxidation and two reversible reduction waves were observed. The redox potentials of **2** indicate the narrow energy gaps between the highest occupied molecular orbital and the lowest unoccupied molecular orbital (HOMO–LUMO) being consistent with the electronic absorption spectra that display the absorption edges over 1000 nm. Protonation occurred at the inner core nitrogen of **2a** upon the addition of acids, which is inferred from the ¹H NMR spectra as well as theoretical calculations. By a treatment with amine *N*-oxides, demetalation of **2** proceeded to afford the corresponding NFP free-bases (**1**).



INTRODUCTION

Porphyrin and its analogues have attracted considerable attention because of the versatile properties derived from the characteristic π -system and coordinating metals, which can be used for a broad range of applications.¹ To tune or change the properties, modification of the porphyrin including the framework has been examined extensively, and a large number of porphyrin analogues as well as porphyrin derivatives have been synthesized.² Among such porphyrinoids, N-fused porphyrin (NFP)³ bearing a fused tripentacyclic ring in the core was unexpectedly derived from N-confused porphyrin (NCP).⁴ Since then, various fused porphyrinoids, such as N-confused N-fused porphyrin (NC-NFP),⁵ doubly N-fused porphyrin (N₂FP),⁶ N-fused sapphyrin (NF-Sap),⁷ N-fused pentaphyrin (NF-P₅),⁸ N-confused, N-fused pentaphyrin (NCF-P₅),⁹ and doubly N-fused pentaphyrin (N₂F-P₅),⁹ have been prepared, and NFPs form a unique class of porphyrinoid compounds (Chart 1).

NCP has a tetrapyrrolic framework with four *meso* carbon atoms like regular porphyrin; however, the molecule is rather flexible, and ring-inversion of the N-confused pyrrole occurs readily in the macrocyclic framework, which is in marked contrast to the regular porphyrin with rigid and planar structure.¹⁰ Typical examples include the directly linked NCP dimer at the inner carbon atoms of the N-confused pyrrole rings¹¹ and a bis-iridium

NCP complex,¹² both of which contain the inverted N-confused pyrrole ring. Thus, the formation of NFP from NCP could be explained as a consequence of ring-inversion of the N-confused pyrrole ring and subsequent ring fusion in the tetrapyrrolic framework.^{3b,10} Interestingly, NFP is converted to NCP in the presence of nucleophiles like alkoxides, where the nucleophiles attack at the C(3)-position of the tripentacyclic ring to induce the ring-opening to afford NCP.³ This facile interconversion between NCP and NFP is advantageous to the synthesis of a series of NCP and NFP derivatives.^{5,6,13}

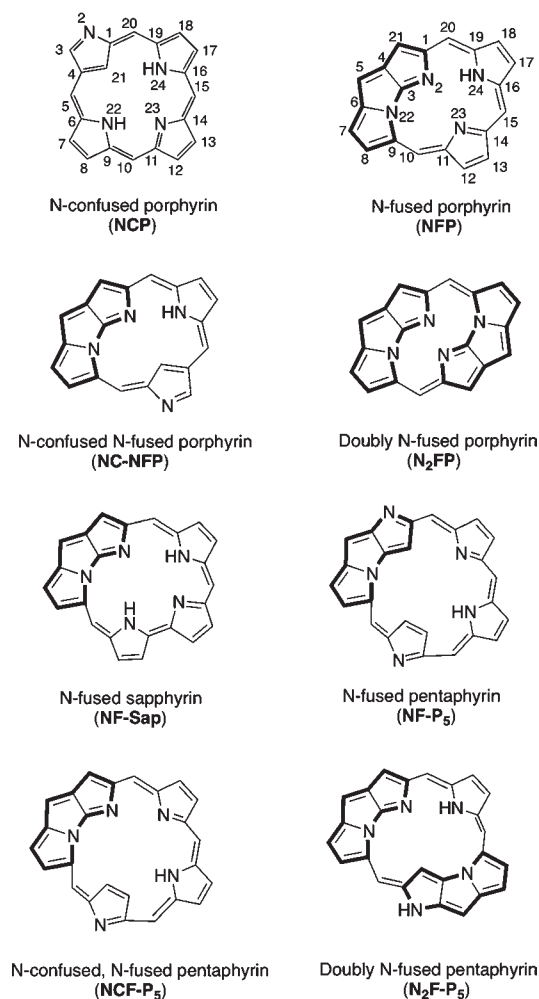
NFP is an aromatic compound having an [18]annulenic circuit. NFP exhibits a characteristic optical property, in which the absorption maxima at the longest wavelength appear in the near-infrared (NIR) region close to 1000 nm.^{3,13,14} The large decrease of the energy gap between the highest occupied molecular orbital and the lowest unoccupied molecular orbital (HOMO–LUMO) in NFP is related to the endocyclic extension of porphyrin π -system, and the trend is further increased with doubly N-fused porphyrin.⁶ The corresponding NIR emission of NFP is usually very weak but in some case, like 21-nitro N-fused tetraphenylporphyrin (21-NO₂-NFTPP, **1c**), distinct fluorescence is observed.^{14b}

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NFP is expected to form a wide variety of metal complexes as a member of porphyrinoids. Because of the presence of three

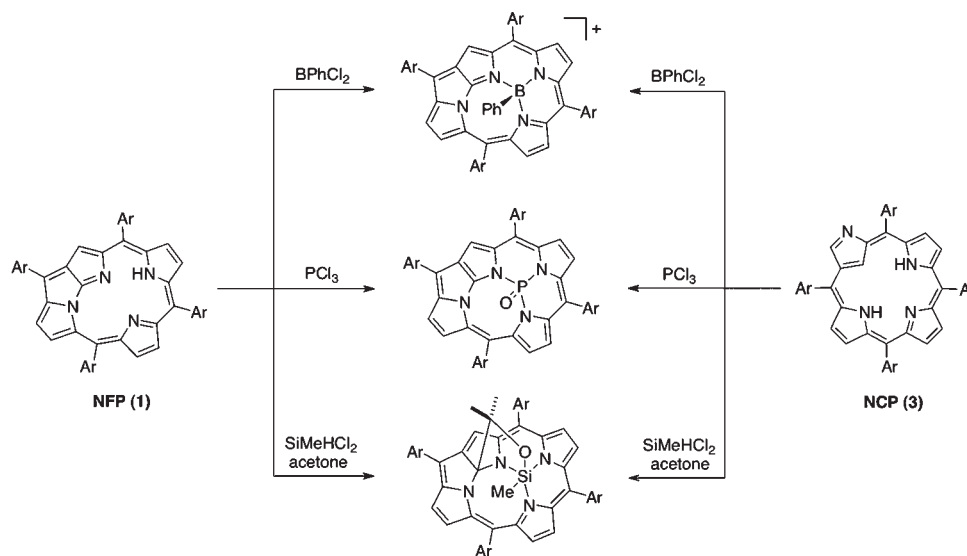
Chart 1. Representative Examples of N-Confused and N-Fused Porphyrinoids



nitrogen atoms in proximity and one negative charge after deprotonation, NFP could serve as a monoanionic, tridentate nitrogen ligand, which is isoelectronic with cyclopentadienyl (Cp) as well as tris(pyrazolyl)borate (Tp), in the metal coordination.¹⁵ Thus, we can denote the N-fused porphyrinato ligand as NFp to emphasize the similarity to Cp and Tp. The first NFP metal complex was incidentally obtained during the rhenium coordination of N-confused tetraphenylporphyrin (NCTPP, **3a**).¹⁶ Besides the formation of rhenium(I) NCTPP complex, skeleton rearrangement from **3a** to N-fused tetraphenylporphyrin (NFTPP, **1a**) took place to afford the rhenium(I) complex, Re^I(NFTPP)(CO)₃ (**4a**). Further treatment of **4a** with trimethylamine *N*-oxide afforded the rhenium(VII) complex, Re^{VII}(NFTPP)O₃,¹⁷ which catalyzes the deoxygenation reaction of pyridine *N*-oxide derivatives with high turnover numbers.¹⁸ On the other hand, NFP complexes with main group metals have been synthesized by Latos-Grażyński and co-workers (Scheme 1). For example, a phenylboron NFP complex was obtained by the treatment of **1a** with PhBCl₂.¹⁹ The same complex was also obtained from the reaction of **3a** with PhBCl₂. Interestingly, when NFP or NCP was treated with PCl₃, reduction of the macrocycle and phosphorus insertion proceeded to yield an N-fused isophlorin phosphorus(V) oxo complex.²⁰ Furthermore, silicon(IV) complexes bearing NFP derivatives were synthesized from NCP.²¹

Encouraged by the success on rhenium(I) complexation, we paid attention toward the manganese ion as the next target. The comparison of two d-block metal complexes in the same group 7 elements could reveal the characteristics of NFp ligand and provide vital information on the NFP complexation. Because the manganese NCP complexes are already known,²² it would be important to find the conditions with which to afford NFP complexes from NCP (Scheme 2). Herein, we report the synthesis, reactivity, and properties of N-fused porphyrin manganese(I) tricarbonyl complexes (**2**) (Chart 2). Reactions of NFTPP and its 21-substituted derivatives (**1**) gave the manganese(I) tricarbonyl complexes bearing NFp ligands (**2**) in moderate to good yields. Introduction of substituents at the inner carbon of NCP is necessary for these metal-assisted ring fusion reactions. A key role of the substituent at the 21-position

Scheme 1. Formation of NFP Complexes from NFP and NCP



Scheme 2. Reactions of NCP with Group 7 Metals, (a) Re and (b) Mn

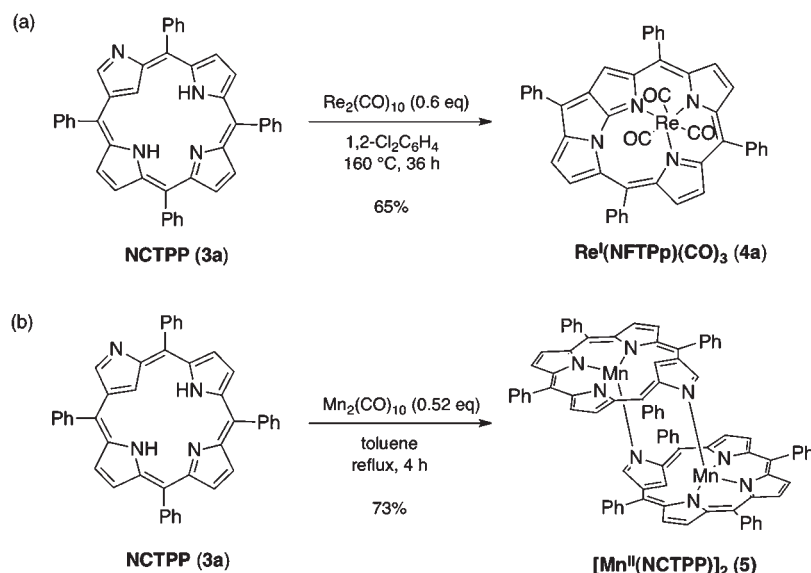
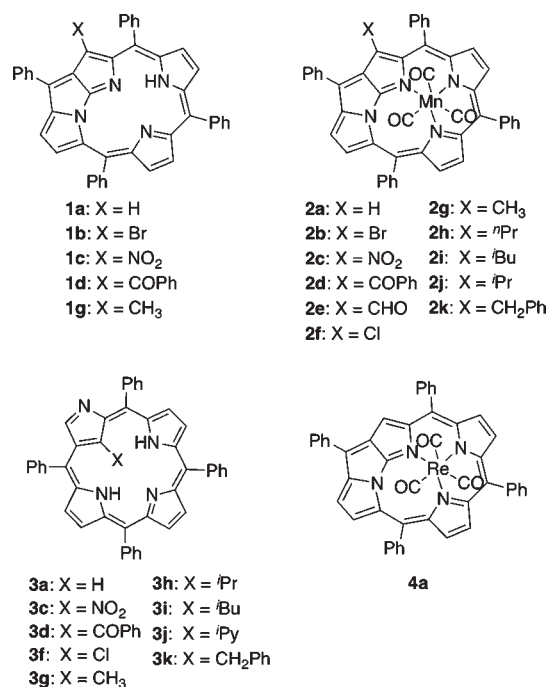
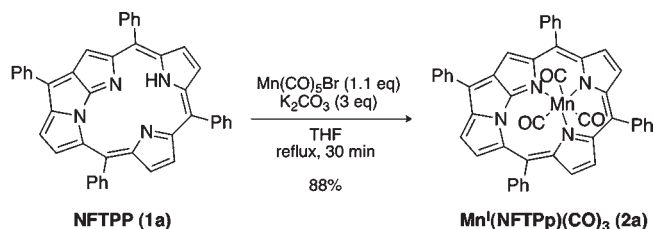


Chart 2. Compounds Structures along with the Numbers Studied in This Work



on the ring rearrangement from NCP to NFTPP and comparison with the rhenium complex are discussed.

Synthesis and Properties of Mn^I(NFTPP)(CO)₃ (2a). Synthesis of manganese(I) NFTPP complex (Mn^I(NFTPP)(CO)₃, 2a) was achieved by the reaction of NFTPP (1a) with manganese reagents. When a tetrahydrofuran (THF) solution of 1a and 1.1 equiv of Mn(CO)₅Br in the presence of K₂CO₃ was refluxed for 30 min, manganese complex 2a was obtained in 88% yield (Scheme 3). In the absence of base, the yield of 2a decreased substantially (31%).

Scheme 3. Preparation of Mn^I(NFTPP)(CO)₃ (2a)

On the other hand, the reaction of 1a with Mn₂(CO)₁₀ also provided 2a in a moderate yield (56%).

Assignment of the structure of 2a rested on the ¹H and ¹³C NMR, mass, and IR spectra, and was subsequently confirmed by X-ray crystallographic analysis. In the mass spectra, the parent ion peak was observed at *m/z* = 751 (MH⁺) in electrospray ionization (ESI) mode, and the reasonable fragment peak was detected at *m/z* = 666 ([M - 3(CO)]⁺) in matrix-assisted laser desorption/ionization (MALDI) mode. The ¹H NMR signals appeared in the region from 7.4 to 9.4 ppm, and the spectrum resembled that of 1a except the disappearance of the singlet signal due to the NH proton. In the ¹³C NMR spectrum, the signals due to three CO ligands were distinctly observed at 214.08, 216.33, and 216.82 ppm. The strong absorption bands due to the CO stretching were clearly observed at 1902, 1920, and 2005 cm⁻¹ in the IR spectrum.²³

Slow diffusion of hexane into a CH₂Cl₂ solution of 2a gave violet crystals, and one of them was subjected to X-ray analysis. The crystal structure of 2a is shown in Figure 1. The apparent molecular shape of 2a is similar to that of the rhenium(I) complex, Re^I(NFTPP)(CO)₃ (4a).¹⁶ Namely, the three nitrogen atoms in the core pointing upward to coordinate to the central metal ion, and thus the NFTPP plane is slightly bent with a maximum deviation of 0.573 Å from the mean plane consisting of 24 heavy atoms. The manganese atom is situated above the midst of the three nitrogen atoms. The selected bond lengths and

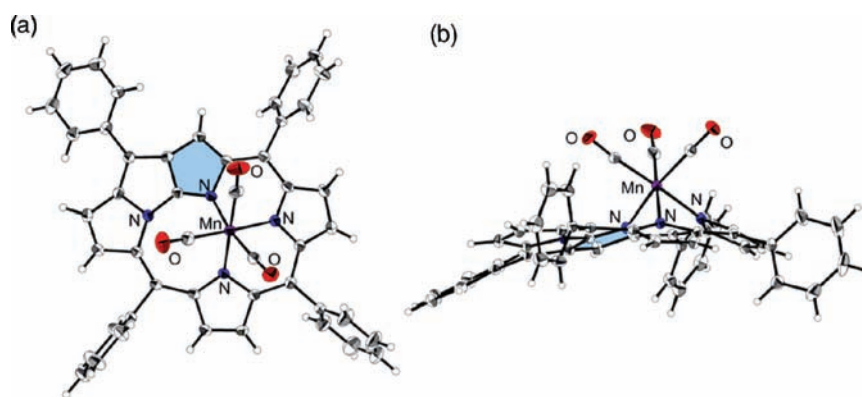


Figure 1. Crystal structure of **2a**; (a) top view, (b) side view. The solvent molecule is omitted for clarity. Thermal ellipsoids are shown at the 30% probability level.

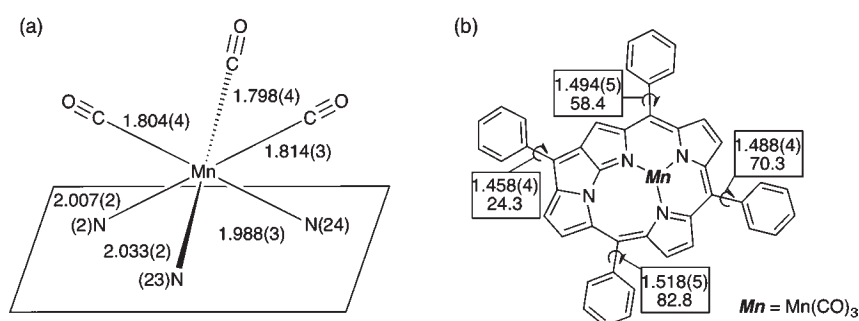
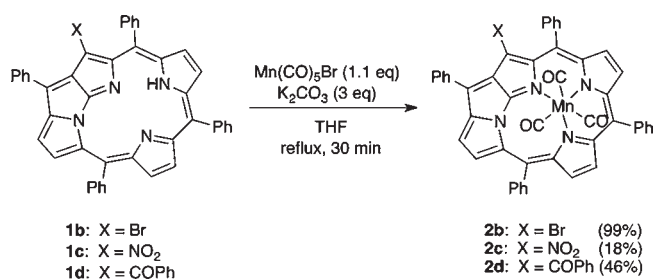


Figure 2. Structural details of **2a**; (a) the bond lengths (Å) around the metal center, (b) (upper) the bond lengths (Å) and (lower) the dihedral angles (deg) between the NFP plane and *meso*-phenyl rings.

dihedral angles of **2a** are shown in Figure 2. The three Mn–CO bond lengths (av 1.805 Å) are almost identical with those of $\text{Mn}(\text{Tp}')(\text{CO})_3$ (av 1.809 Å) (Tp' : tetrakis(pyrazolyl)borate).²⁴ On the other hand, the three Mn–N bond lengths of **2a** (av 2.009 Å) are shorter than those of $\text{Mn}(\text{Tp}')(\text{CO})_3$ (av 2.048 Å), implying strong bonding between the Mn ion and the NFP ligand. The dihedral angles between the NFP plane and the phenyl rings are 24.3° (5-phenyl), 82.8° (10-phenyl), 70.3° (15-phenyl), and 58.4° (20-phenyl). The 5-phenyl group is almost coplanar to the NFP plane, which enables the facile π -orbital interaction between the 5-phenyl group and the NFP π -system. As a result, the bond length between the C(5) *meso*-carbon atom and the phenyl ring (1.458(8) Å) is shorter than those of other phenyl groups (1.488(1)–1.517(8) Å). These structural features are similar to those of previously reported NFP free-base and metal complexes, indicating the rigidity of the NFP ligand.

Reaction of NFP Derivatives with $\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5\text{Br}$. To examine the effect of substituents on manganese(I) complexes, 21-substituted NFTPP derivatives, 21-bromo (**1b**), 21-nitro (**1c**), and 21-benzoyl (**1d**) were subjected to the reaction with $\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5\text{Br}$ in the presence of K_2CO_3 (Scheme 4). In the case of **1b**, the complexation proceeded smoothly to give the corresponding manganese(I) complex **2b** in 99% yield without a loss of bromo group. Meanwhile, the reactions of **1c** and **1d** with $\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5\text{Br}$ proceeded slowly and **2c** and **2d** were obtained in 18% and 46% yields, respectively, when the reaction was quenched after 30 min for comparison. The lower reactivity might be due to the electron-withdrawing groups at the 21-position,

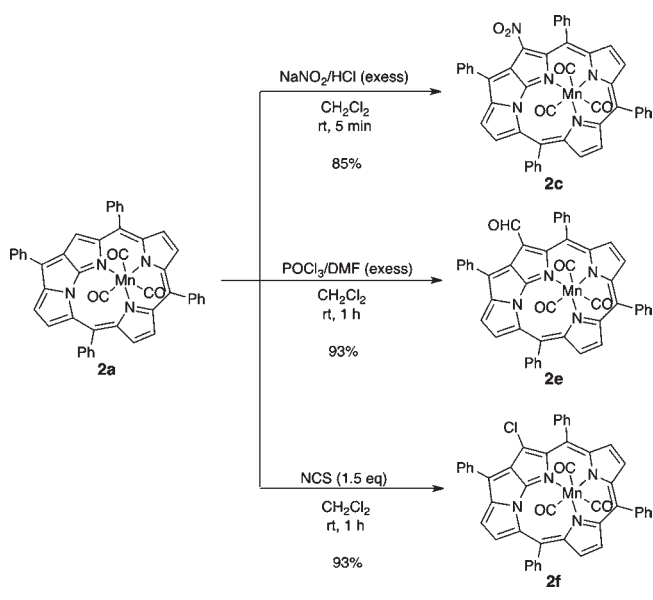
Scheme 4. Reactions of 21-Substituted NFTPP with $\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5\text{Br}$



which decrease the basicity of the coordinating nitrogen atoms, hence the affinity to the metal center.

Chemical Modification of **2a.** Peripheral modification of **2a** was achieved at the 21-position by the aromatic substitution reaction (Scheme 5). Nitration of **2a** with standard conditions (NaNO_2/HCl) proceeded instantly to afford 21-nitro derivative ($\text{Mn}^{\text{I}}(21\text{-NO}_2\text{-NFTPP})(\text{CO})_3$, **2c**) in 85% yield. The Vilsmeier–Haack formylation of **2a** with POCl_3/DMF gave 21-formyl derivative ($\text{Mn}^{\text{I}}(21\text{-CHO-NFTPP})(\text{CO})_3$, **2e**) in 93% yield. Similarly, chlorination of **2a** with *N*-chlorosuccinimide (NCS) afforded 21-chloro derivative ($\text{Mn}^{\text{I}}(21\text{-Cl-NFTPP})(\text{CO})_3$, **2f**) in 93% yield without a formation of di- or trichlorinated products. The regioselective aromatic substitution at the 21-position is one of the characteristic reactions of NFPs.^{13,16b}

Scheme 5. Regioselective Substitution Reactions of Manganese(I) NFTPP Complex (2a)



Metal-Assisted Transformation of 21-Substituted NCP to NFP Manganese(I) Complex. 21-Substituted NFP manganese(I) complexes (2) can be also prepared directly from the corresponding 21-substituted NCPs (3) and Mn(CO)₅Br via skeleton rearrangement (Table 1). Upon heating a THF solution of 21-methyl NCTPP (3g)²⁵ with Mn(CO)₅Br under basic conditions, the corresponding manganese(I) NFP complex (Mn^I(21-Me-NFTPP)(CO)₃, 2g) was obtained in 43% yield (Entry 1). However, when the reaction was performed in toluene at reflux temperature, the yield was decreased abruptly (10%). Regardless the length of alkyl chains, the skeleton rearrangement from NCP to NFP proceeded smoothly to afford the corresponding complexes in similar yields (Entries 1–4). In the case of 21-benzyl NCTPP (3k), aside from the target NFP complex (Mn^I(21-Bn-NFTPP)(CO)₃, 2k) (11%), oxidized benzoyl derivatives, 21-Bz-NFTPP (1d) (21%), 21-Bz-NCTPP (3d) (19%), and Mn^I(21-Bz-NFTPP)(CO)₃ (2d) (2%), were also obtained.²⁶ On the other hand, in the case of electron-withdrawing substituents such as 21-nitro (3c)²⁷ and 21-chloro (2f) derivatives, the yields were low (2c: 10%, 2f: 2%). In both cases, the electron-withdrawing groups were fallen off and the NCTPP-manganese(II) dimer complex (5) was obtained as a major product.^{22a,c} Similarly, the reaction of parent NCTPP (3a) did not afford the NFP derivative instead the dimer complex 5 was obtained (Scheme 2b). Thus, the bulky substituents at the 21-position may play an important role for such transformation. In the solid state, the confused pyrrole ring of 3c is largely tilted by 42.4° from the porphyrin mean plane compared to that of 3a, 26.9°.^{3b,4a,28} Thus, the introduction of a bulky group to the inner C(21) atom of 3a would cause a large inclination of the confused pyrrole, which may facilitate the ring rotation necessary for the ring-fusion. It may also affect as a steric hindrance that suppresses the dimerization reaction. Alternately, when a THF solution of 21-substituted NCTPP (3) was refluxed in the absence of Mn(CO)₅Br, no reaction took place, which further supports the necessary requirement of manganese center for facile conversion of NCP to NFP.

Table 1. Reactions of 21-Substituted NCTPP (3) with Mn(CO)₅Br

entry	NCP	–X	NFP	yield (%)
1	3g	–CH ₃	2g	43
2	3h	–CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃	2h	40
3	3i	–CH ₂ CH(CH ₃) ₂	2i	40
4	3j	–CH(CH ₃) ₂	2j	42
5	3k	–CH ₂ Ph	2k	11
6	3c	–NO ₂	2c	10
7	3f	–Cl	2f	2
8	3a	–H	2a	0

Concerning the structures of 21-substituted manganese(I) complexes (2), X-ray single crystallographic analyses were performed on 2h and 2i (Figure 3). The averaged bond lengths (Å) of Mn–CO and Mn–N of 2h (1.799(6), 2.003(4)) and 2i (1.793(3), 1.994(2)) are shorter than those of 2a (1.805(4), 2.009(2)), indicating the stronger binding between the manganese(I) ion and the NFP ligands (Figure 4). The electron-donating property of the alkyl groups may increase the basicity of the nitrogen atoms, and hence the affinity to the metal center.

To understand the reaction mechanism that is reasonable for the formation of either NCP-manganese(II) dimer complex (5) or NFP-manganese(I) monomer complex (2), the reaction mixture was subjected for the mass analysis. During the course of reactions, initial formation of NCP-manganese species was clearly observed. For example, the molecular ion peaks corresponding to 21-isobutyl NCTPP-manganese complex (*m/z* = 723 and 724; no peak was detected at *m/z* = 722) were detected in the MALDI-TOF mass spectrum of the reaction mixture of 21-ⁱBu-NCTPP (3i) with Mn(CO)₅Br. Although the valency of the manganese ion could not be explicitly determined from the mass spectra, it is highly probable that the coordination of manganese(I) to 21-substituted NCTPP (3) took place first with release of a HBr molecule, then afforded the NFP manganese(I) complex (2) via ring rearrangement (Scheme 6). In the case of intact NCP (3a), however, the oxidation of the metal center, probably by the NCP ligand, could proceed after the initial complexation, then followed by the release of both the CO ligands and the outer NH proton to afford the NCP-manganese(II) complex (5) (Scheme 6, path-a). Such an electron and proton transfer coupled reaction is one of the characteristics of the NCP ligand, as illustrated in the nitrite reduction with the iron(II) NCP complex by Hung and co-workers.²⁹ In the presence of the electron-donating alkyl groups, the oxidation of the metal center by the NCP ligand would be largely deterred; as a result, the formation of 5, may be suppressed and consequently, the reaction pathway to the NFP manganese complexes (2) via ring rotation would become predominant (Scheme 6, path-b).

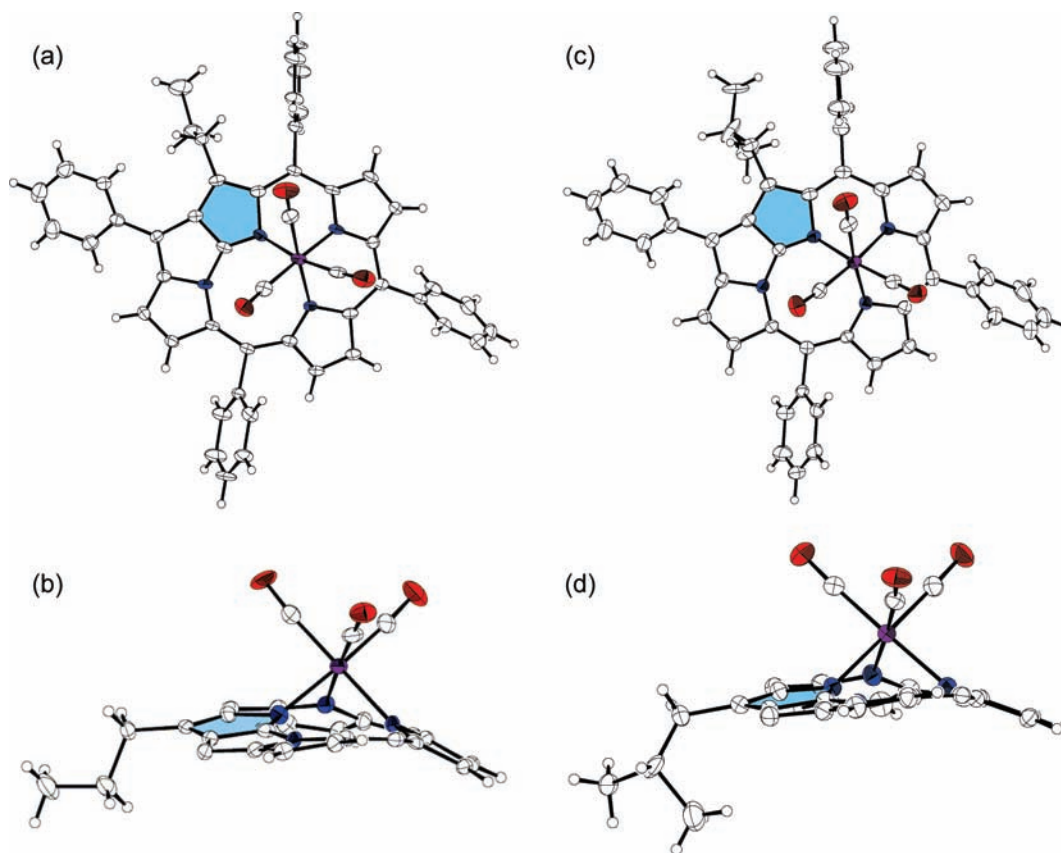


Figure 3. Crystal structures of 21-propyl and 21-isobutyl NFTPP manganese(I) complexes (**2h**, **2i**); (a) top view of **2h**, (b) side view of **2h**, (c) top view of **2i**, (d) side view of **2i**. Meso-phenyl groups are omitted for clarity in the side views. Thermal ellipsoids are shown at the 30% probability level.

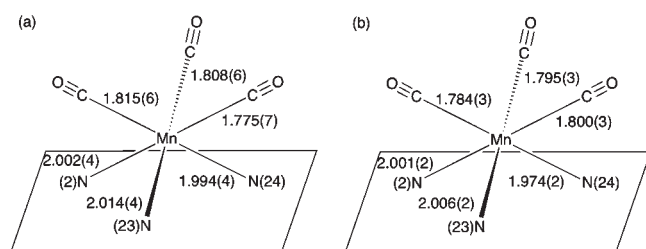


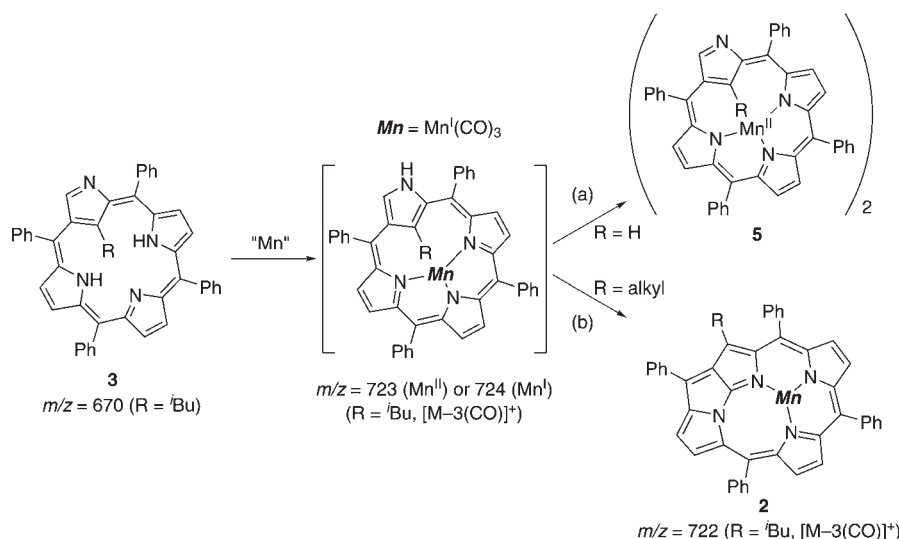
Figure 4. Bond lengths (Å) around the metal center of 21-alkyl NFTPP manganese(I) complexes; (a) **2h**, (b) **2i**.

UV–vis–NIR Absorption. The absorption spectra of manganese(I) NFP complexes **2** were measured in CH_2Cl_2 . The numerical data are summarized in Table 2, and the corresponding spectra of **2a**, **2c**, and **2g** are shown in Figure 5. In the absorption spectrum of **2a**, the Soret-like bands were observed at 352 and 497 nm, and Q-like bands at 848 and 942 nm. The absorption spectrum of **2a** is quite similar to that of **1a** with the absorption edge reaching to 1000 nm, indicating that the manganese coordination does not alter the aromaticity of the NFP skeleton. The effect of 21-substituents on the Q- and Soret-like bands was examined using **2a** as a standard. For the electron-withdrawing groups, Q-like bands are blue-shifted (Entries 7–9), whereas for the electron-donating groups, red-shifts are induced (Entries 2–6). On the other hand, the Soret-like bands are red-shifted for the electron-withdrawing groups (Entries 7–9) and blue-shifted for the electron-donating groups

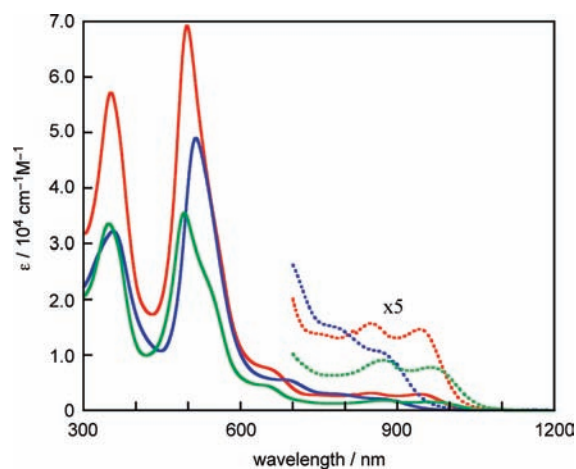
(Entries 2–6). Introduction of halogen groups caused the red-shifts for Q-like bands (Entries 11–12). The observed effects of substituent on the absorption spectra of **2** are similar to those of free-base NFP derivatives, which suggests the metal–ligand charge-transfer (MLCT) nature is negligible in the electronic absorption of the manganese(I) NFP complexes (**2**).

Electrochemical Measurements. Cyclic voltammetry measurements on the NFP manganese(I) complexes (**2**) revealed that they are robust under the electrochemical conditions, allowing the complexes to be oxidized and reduced without a loss of manganese center. As a typical example, the cyclic voltammogram of **2a** is shown in Figure 6, and the electrochemical data for a series of manganese(I) NFP complexes (**2a–k**) are summarized in Table 3. In a CH_2Cl_2 solution of **2a**, a reversible one-electron oxidation peak at 0.34 V and two reversible one-electron reduction peaks at -1.32 and -1.76 V (vs Fc/Fc^+) were observed, respectively. As compared to **2a** (Entry 1), the oxidation potentials are negatively shifted for the complexes with electron-donating groups (Entries 2–6) and positively shifted in the presence of electron-withdrawing groups (Entries 7–11). A similar trend was apparently observed for the reduction potentials. Nevertheless, no significant differences are observed in the $E_{\text{Ox1}} - E_{\text{Red1}}$ value that directly correlates with the HOMO–LUMO energy gap. These redox potentials are similar to those of the parent NFTPP derivatives (E_{Ox1} : 0.16 V (irreversible), E_{Red1} : -1.39 V (reversible) for NFTPP),¹⁶ but slight positive shifts were observed. In addition, a negligible contribution of the Mn atom was observed in both HOMO and LUMO of **2a** (vide infra). Accordingly, the observed oxidation

Scheme 6. Plausible Reaction Pathways of NCTPP Derivatives with Manganese Reagent

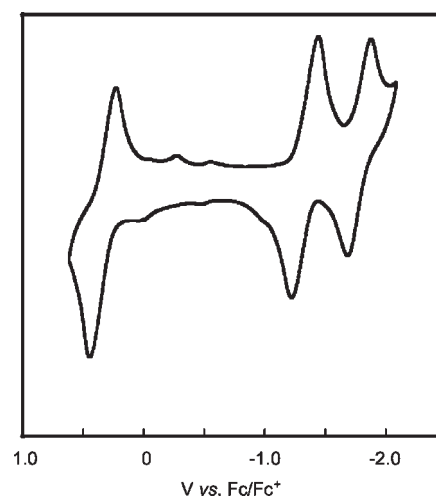
Table 2. Absorption Spectral Data for the NFP Manganese(I) Complexes (2) in CH_2Cl_2

entry	NFP	-X	λ_{max} (nm) (log ϵ)				
1	2a	-H	352 (4.76)	497 (4.84)	848 (3.49)	942 (3.46)	
2	2g	-CH ₃	348 (4.53)	493 (4.55)	873 (3.26)	963 (3.19)	
3	2h	-CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃	348 (4.43)	492 (4.47)	867 (3.15)	961 (3.11)	
4	2i	-CH ₂ CH(CH ₃) ₂	348 (4.30)	493 (4.33)	869 (3.09)	960 (2.99)	
5	2j	-CH(CH ₃) ₂	346 (4.63)	488 (4.64)	861 (3.30)	952 (3.27)	
6	2k	-CH ₂ Ph	348 (4.52)	493 (4.57)	858 (3.25)	953 (3.20)	
7	2c	-NO ₂	357 (4.51)	515 (4.69)	679 (3.79)	772 (3.50)	862 (3.25)
8	2e	-CHO	355 (4.42)	508 (4.59)	799 (3.31)	879 (3.24)	
9	2d	-COPh	356 (4.35)	502 (4.47)	828 (3.15)	908 (3.09)	
11	2b	-Br	352 (4.57)	496 (4.64)	651 (3.74)	858 (3.33)	954 (3.27)
12	2f	-Cl	353 (4.40)	497 (4.46)	872 (3.13)	959 (3.07)	

Figure 5. Absorption spectra of 2a (red), 2c (blue), and 2g (green) in CH_2Cl_2 .

and reduction of NFTPp manganese tricarbonyl complexes would not occur at the metal center but at the NFP skeletons.

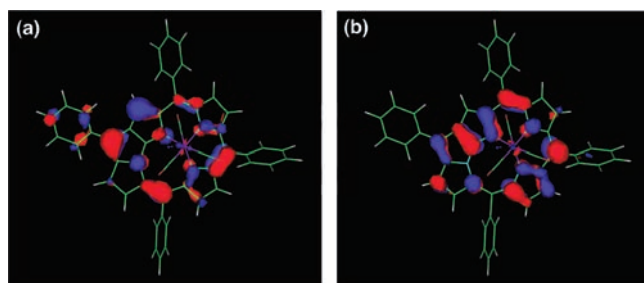
Molecular Orbital. The Kohn–Sham orbitals of 2a calculated at the B3LYP/631T level are shown in Figure 7.³⁰ Both the

Figure 6. Cyclic voltammogram of 2a in CH_2Cl_2 with 0.1 M Bu_4NPF_6 (Pt electrode, scan rate 100 mV/s).

HOMO and LUMO are distributed over the NFTPp skeleton, and reflecting the coplanarity of the NFP core, a contribution from the 5-phenyl group is also observed in the HOMO. In the

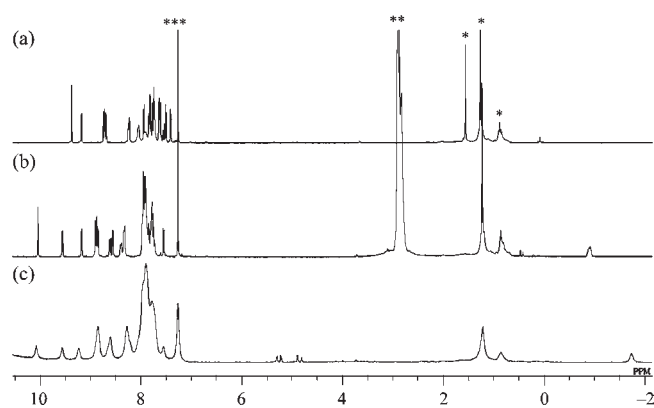
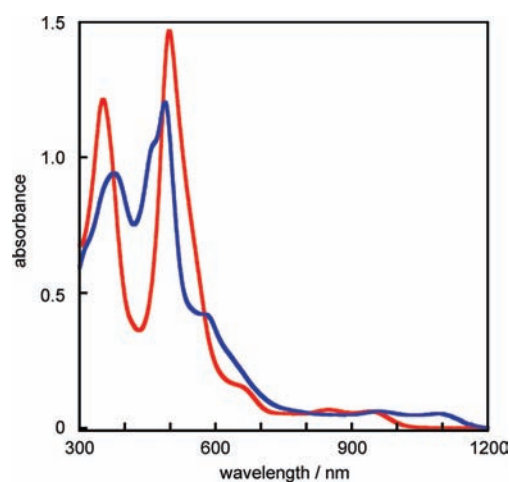
Table 3. Formal Potentials (V vs Fc/Fc⁺) of Manganese(I) NFP Complexes (2) in CH₂Cl₂ Containing 0.1 M Bu₄NPF₆

entry	NFP	-X	E _{Ox1}	E _{Red1}	E _{Red2}	E _{Ox1} - E _{Red1}
1	2a	-H	0.34	-1.32	-1.76	1.68
2	2g	-CH ₃	0.24	-1.40	-1.80	1.64
3	2h	-CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃	0.28	-1.36	-1.80	1.64
4	2i	-CHCH ₂ (CH ₃) ₂	0.25	-1.41	-1.86	1.66
5	2j	-CH(CH ₃) ₂	0.28	-1.42	-1.85	1.70
6	2k	-CH ₂ Ph	0.29	-1.38	-1.83	1.67
7	2c	-NO ₂	0.66	-1.05	-1.43	1.71
8	2e	-CHO	0.52	-1.15	-1.54	1.67
9	2d	-COPh	0.42	-1.25	-1.67	1.67
10	2b	-Br	0.37	-1.25	-1.66	1.62
11	2f	-Cl	0.35	-1.27	-1.68	1.62

**Figure 7.** Kohn-Sham orbitals of 2a; (a) HOMO, (b) LUMO.

both orbitals, negligible contribution from the manganese metal is observed, which suggests the first electrochemical redox process of 2a occurs at the NFTPp moiety similar to the rhenium complex 4a.^{16b}

Protonation of Mn^I(NFTPp)(CO)₃ (2a). Addition of acids to 2a caused protonation, and no decomposition or demetalation was observed. For example, when an excess amount of methanesulfonic acid (MSA) was added to a CH₂Cl₂ solution of 2a, the color changed instantly from purple-red to brown, and the original purple-red color was regenerated by the subsequent treatment with Et₃N. The ¹H NMR spectra of 2a with/without MSA in CDCl₃ are shown in Figure 8. In the presence of MSA, the signals around the aromatic region, which appear between 7.4–9.4 ppm in the free-base, shifted to a lower-field and appeared between 7.6–10.2 ppm. In addition, one new broad signal was observed at -1.04 ppm at 233 K, which suggests that the protonation occurs inside of the aromatic NFP core. The site of protonation could not be explicitly determined, but it is most likely to take place at the nitrogen atom and not at the carbon atom (C3) because no corresponding cross peak was observed in the ¹H–¹³C heteronuclear multiple quantum coherence (HMQC),³¹ NOE, and H–H COSY measurements and a large relative energy for the C(3)-protonated species was inferred from the calculation study (vide infra). Interestingly, when the trifluoroacetic acid (TFA) was added, a different behavior was observed in the ¹H NMR spectra. Namely, in addition to the previously observed species, a small amount of a C(21)-protonated one (the ratio was ca. 3:1 based on the ¹H NMR signals) was newly formed, judging from the appearance of two doublet signals at 4.86 and 5.25 ppm with a large coupling constant ²J_{(H,H)} = 24.4 Hz, which are attributable to the CH₂ group at the}

**Figure 8.** ¹H NMR spectra of (a) 2a at ambient temperature, (b) 2a + MSA at 233 K, and (c) 2a + TFA, at 233 K in CDCl₃. *, impurity; **, MSA; ***, solvent.**Figure 9.** Absorption spectra of 2a (red) and 2a + MSA (blue) in CH₂Cl₂.

21-position. Such protonation was previously observed in the rhenium(I) NFP complex (4a).^{16b} In the IR spectra of 2a with MSA, 1–3 cm⁻¹ shifts of CO stretching were observed: 2005 (2007), 1920 (1921), 1902 (1905) cm⁻¹, which may also support the protonation at the nitrogen atom, though the shifts are modest. In the absorption spectrum of 2a with MSA, the Soret-like bands were observed at 377 and 489 nm, and a Q-like band was observed at 1094 nm. In contrast to the small blue-shift (ca. 8 nm) of the former electronic transition, a significant red-shift (150 nm) was observed for the Q-like band upon protonation (Figure 9).

To find the appropriate site of protonation on the NFP complex, we have carried out the density functional theory (DFT) calculations on the possible isomers of protonated 2a. The relative energies, HOMO–LUMO energies, and the calculated ¹H NMR chemical shifts of the added proton in protonated species (2aP-1–2aP-8) are shown in Figure 10. Among the 8 isomers considered, 2aP-6 is the most stable and 2aP-3 is the second most stable with the energy difference of 1.67 kcal/mol. Thus, based on the calculations, the protonated species in the solution is presumed to be 2aP-6. The two species observed in the case of TFA addition could be assigned as 2aP-6 (major) and

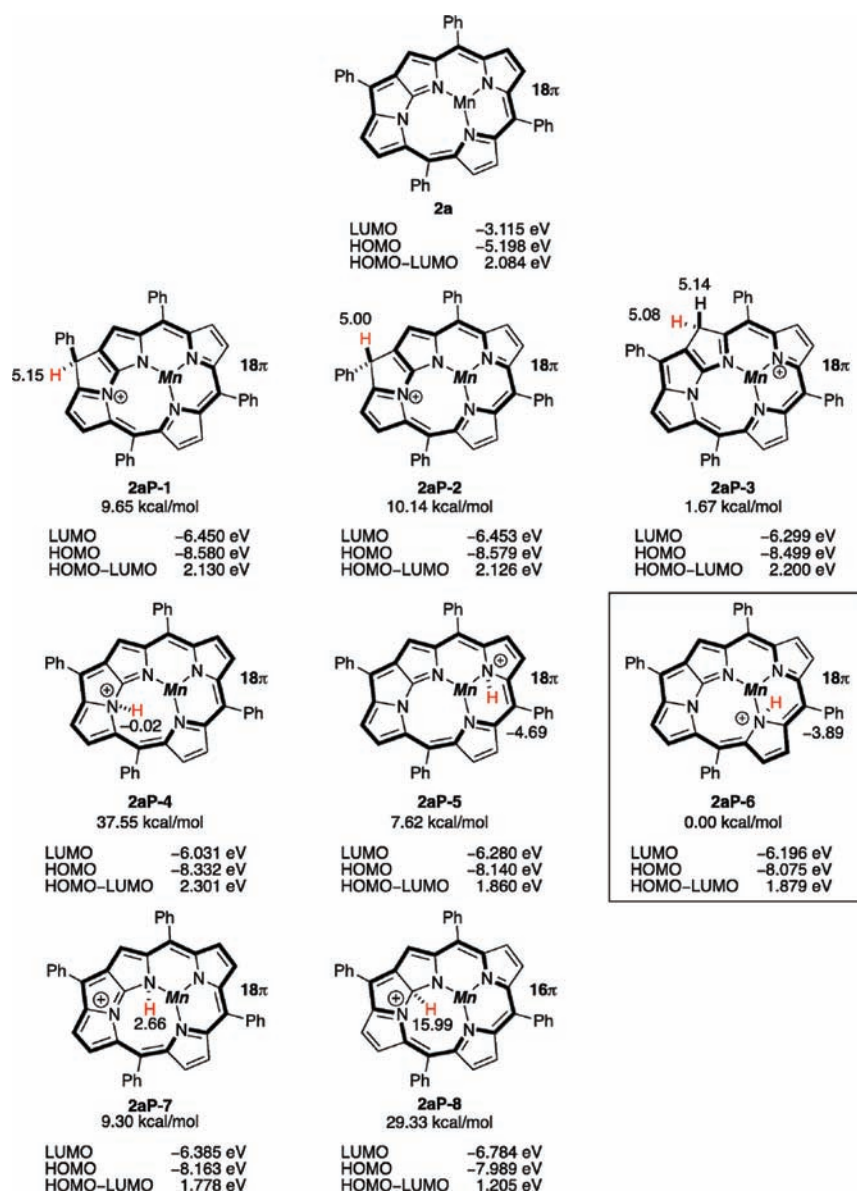
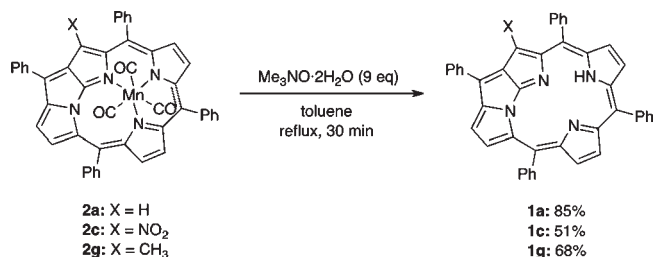


Figure 10. Relative energies, calculated ¹H NMR chemical shifts (ppm) of the acid proton (red), and the HOMO–LUMO energies of **2a** and protonated species (**2aP-1**–**2aP-8**).

2aP-3 (minor). The possibility of C-protonation at the C(3)-position (**2aP-8**) could be excluded because **2aP-8** possesses a high relative energy (29.33 kcal/mol) with a 16 π antiaromatic character. The calculated HOMO–LUMO gap energy of **2aP-6** is smaller than that of **2a**, which is consistent with the bathochromic shift of the Q-like band. Although no clear proof is provided, it is likely that the relative energies of the protonated species are largely influenced by the conjugate bases present in the solution.³²

Oxidative-Demetalation. The manganese metal in **2** can be removed by the oxidation with amine *N*-oxides. When the complex **2a** was treated with 9 equiv of Me₃NO·2H₂O in toluene under reflux conditions for 30 min, demetalation occurred to give the free-base **1a** in 85% yield (Scheme 7). On the other hand, when the reaction was performed with a stoichiometric amount of Me₃NO·2H₂O, no demetalated species were observed on thin layer chromatography (TLC) as

Scheme 7. Oxidative Demetalation Reaction of NFP-Manganese(I) Complexes (**2**)



well as in the ¹H NMR analysis. The reaction of **2a** with *N*-methylmorpholine *N*-oxide also proceeded to give **1a**, whereas the reaction with *t*-BuOOH resulted in the formation of highly polar unknown fractions but not **1a**. Thus, the usage of amine

N-oxide reagents as oxidant seems so far important for demetalation of **2a**. Similarly, the 21-substituted NFP manganese(I) complexes (**2g**, **2c**) were demetalated by $\text{Me}_3\text{NO} \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ to afford **1g** and **1c** in 68 and 52% yield, respectively. Though the specific role of amine *N*-oxide is not clear, it might be related to its ability to oxidize CO ligands selectively to carbon dioxides.³³ Using this oxidative-demetalation reaction, free-base forms of 21-substituted NFP and other related compounds could be prepared easily.

Comparison of Manganese and Rhenium NFP Complexes.

The similarity and difference between the manganese(I) and rhenium(I) complexes, $\text{Mn}^{\text{I}}(\text{NFTPP})(\text{CO})_3$ (**2a**) and $\text{Re}^{\text{I}}(\text{NFTPP})(\text{CO})_3$ (**4a**), respectively, are summarized. At first, both metal complexes can be readily synthesized from the reaction of NFP and the corresponding metal reagents in good yields. The reaction of NCTPP (**3a**) with manganese reagents affords NCP-manganese(II) dimer **5**; on the other hand, with the rhenium reagent, NFP-rhenium(I) complex **4a** is obtained.^{16b} The reaction of 21-Me-NCTPP (**3g**) with $\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5\text{Br}$ affords the $\text{Mn}^{\text{I}}(21\text{-Me-NFTPP})(\text{CO})_3$ (**2g**), while the reaction of **3g** with $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_{10}$ afforded a peculiar [5.6.5]-fused NCP rhenium(I) tricarbonyl complex possessing an *N*-heterocyclic carbene moiety.³⁴ The facile formation of manganese(II) NCP dimer species could be relevant to the weaker binding of the CO ligands to the manganese metal center compared to the rhenium.³⁵ The redox potentials of manganese(I) NFP complex **2a** (0.34, -1.32 V) are more negatively shifted than those of rhenium(I) NFP complex **4a** (0.47, -1.21 V), which could be attributed to the lower electronegativity of Mn (1.55) than Re (1.90).³⁶ In the absorption spectra, both complexes show a similar trend with the Soret and Q-like bands although the absorption maximum at the longest wavelength is more hypsochromic shifted for **2a** (Mn: 942 nm, Re: 951 nm). Protonation on manganese(I) NFP complex **2a** using MSA takes place at the N(23)-position (**2aP-6**), and the protonation with TFA affords a mixture of *N*-protonation (**2aP-6**) and *C*-protonation (**2aP-3**). On the other hand, in the case of the rhenium(I) NFP complex **4a**, protonation with TFA occurs selectively at the C(21)-position to afford **2aP-3** type species.³² The decrease of *N*-protonation in the rhenium(I) NFP complex **4a** could be explained by the lower basicity of the coordinating nitrogen atoms compared to that of **2a**. Because of the higher electronegativity of rhenium than manganese, electron density of the coordinating nitrogen atoms of **4a** would become lower than that of manganese(I) complex **2a**, which may result in lowering the basicity of the nitrogen atoms, and hence lower the proton affinity. On treatment with amine *N*-oxides, the rhenium(I) NFP complex **4a** is oxidized to rhenium(VII) species, $\text{Re}^{\text{VII}}(\text{NFTPP})\text{O}_3$,^{17,18} whereas the manganese complex **2a** is demetalated to afford free-base **1a**.

CONCLUSION

A series of manganese(I) tricarbonyl complexes of *N*-fused tetraphenylporphyrin and its 21-substituted derivatives (**2**) were successfully prepared, and their optical and electrochemical properties and reactivity were investigated. The NFP manganese complexes (**2**) can be prepared from *N*-fused porphyrins (**1**) with $\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5\text{Br}$ as well as directly from the 21-substituted *N*-confused porphyrins (**3**) via metal-induced ring rearrangement reactions. Regioselective aromatic substitution reactions of **2** occurred at the C(21)-position without a loss of metal center.

In the electrochemical measurements for **2**, one reversible oxidation wave and two reversible reduction waves are observed. Their redox potentials implied narrow HOMO–LUMO gaps of **2** and are consistent with their absorption spectra, in which the absorption edges exceed 1000 nm. On treatment with amine *N*-oxides, demetalation of **2** proceeded to afford the corresponding NFP free-bases (**1**). Such features would enable us to access the novel NFP derivatives as well as NFP metal complexes of the other 3d-transition metals that could exhibit unusual properties different from those of porphyrin complexes.³⁷ Further study on the *N*-fused porphyrin metal complexes is now underway.

EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

General Procedures. Commercially available solvents and reagents were used without further purification. *N*-confused porphyrins and *N*-fused porphyrins were obtained by methods already described.^{3,25,27,38} Thin layer chromatography (TLC) was carried out on aluminum sheets coated with silica gel 60 (Merck 5554). Preparative purifications were performed by flash column chromatography (KANTO Silica Gel 60 N, spherical, neutral, 40–50 μm), and gravity column chromatography (KANTO Silica Gel 60 N, spherical, neutral, 63–210 μm). The ^1H NMR spectra were recorded on a JNM-AI SERIES FT-NMR spectrometer (JEOL) at 300 MHz. Proton chemical shifts were reported relative to the residual proton of the deuterated solvent ($\delta = 7.26$ ppm for CHCl_3). ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded at 75 MHz, and chemical shifts were reported relative to CDCl_3 ($\delta = 77.00$) in ppm. UV–vis–NIR absorption spectra were recorded on an UV-3150PC spectrometer (Shimadzu). Mass spectra were recorded on a Bruker Daltonics autoflex MALDI-TOF MS spectrometer and a JEOL JMS-T100CS (ESI mode). Cyclic voltammetric measurements were performed on a CH Instrument Model 620B (ALS) equipped with a Pt electrode. All the measurements were achieved in 0.1 M Bu_4NPF_6 solution of CH_2Cl_2 (deoxygenated by Ar bubbling over 30 min) with a scan rate of 100 mV/s under Ar atmosphere. A Ag/Ag+ electrode was used for the reference electrode and freshly sublimed ferrocene was used as external standard to determine redox potentials. IR absorption spectra were recorded on FT/IR-4200 (JASCO).

Reactions of *N*-Fused Tetraphenylporphyrins with $\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5\text{Br}$. *Manganese(I) N-Fused Tetraphenylporphyrinato Tricarbonyl Complex ($\text{Mn}^{\text{I}}(\text{NFTPP})(\text{CO})_3$, **2a**) (Typical Procedure).* A solution of NFTPP (**1a**) (120 mg, 200 μmol , 1.0 equiv), $\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5\text{Br}$ (59.4 mg, 220 μmol , 1.1 equiv), and K_2CO_3 (82.8 mg, 600 μmol , 3.0 equiv) in THF (15 mL) was refluxed for 30 min. After cooling, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (eluent: $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{hexane} = 2/1$). The first reddish purple fraction was collected and concentrated to dryness to give **2a** in 88% yield (133 mg, 177 μmol).

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz, ppm): δ 7.42 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.51 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.52–7.54 (m, 1H), 7.60 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.62–7.65 (m, 3H), 7.72–7.85 (m, 8H), 7.90–7.92 (m, 2H), 7.93 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 8.05–8.08 (m, 2H), 8.24–8.27 (m, 2H), 8.68 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 8.72 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 9.18 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 9.36 (s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz, ppm): δ 111.79, 112.04, 118.88, 120.59, 125.37, 127.18, 127.37, 127.46, 127.52, 128.01, 128.08, 128.20, 128.44, 129.16, 129.29, 129.75, 130.37, 130.67, 132.35, 133.11, 133.38, 135.22, 135.35, 135.75, 138.05, 138.57, 138.61, 142.98, 145.44, 149.19, 153.94, 154.31, 154.77, 159.11, 165.12, 214.08, 216.33, 216.82; MS (MALDI, positive): m/z 666.16 ($[\text{M}-3\text{CO}]^+$); HRMS (ESI⁺): Found: m/z 751.15155, Calcd for $\text{C}_{47}\text{H}_{28}\text{MnN}_4\text{O}_3(\text{MH}^+)$: m/z 751.15419; Anal. Calcd for **2a**· CH_2Cl_2 ($\text{C}_{48}\text{H}_{29}\text{Cl}_2\text{MnN}_4\text{O}_3$): C, 68.99; H, 3.50; N, 6.70. Found: C, 69.09; H, 3.76; N, 6.57; UV–vis–NIR (CH_2Cl_2 , $\lambda_{\text{max}}/\text{nm}$, (log ϵ): 942 (3.46), 848 (3.49), 497 (4.84), 352 (4.76); IR (powder, cm^{-1} , CO): 1902, 1920, 2005.

2a + MSA. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz, 233 K, ppm): δ -1.04 (s, 1H), 7.55 (d, $J = 4.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.75–7.82 (m, 4H), 7.84–7.98 (m, 11H), 8.31–8.33 (m, 2H), 8.36–8.41 (m, 1H), 8.56 (d, $J = 4.5$ Hz, 1H), 8.60–8.63 (m, 1H), 8.85 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 8.88–8.91 (m, 2H), 9.20 (d, $J = 4.5$ Hz, 1H), 9.57 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 10.07 (s, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz, ppm): δ 116.33, 117.37, 123.08, 125.16, 126.97, 128.20, 128.37, 129.01, 129.43, 130.04, 130.14, 130.44, 130.65, 130.99, 131.73, 132.05, 132.38, 133.02, 133.23, 133.66, 134.45, 134.84, 135.13, 135.96, 136.53, 138.54, 140.85, 142.86, 145.97, 150.11, 152.62, 154.34, 157.58, 158.46, 158.79, 211.77, 213.24, 216.24; IR (powder, cm^{-1} , CO): 1905, 1921, 2007.

Manganese(II) 21-Bromo N-Fused Tetraphenylporphyrinato Tricarbonyl Complex ($\text{Mn}^{\text{II}}(21\text{-Br-NFTPP})(\text{CO})_3$, **2b**). Starting from 21-Br-NFTPP (**1b**) (31.0 mg, 45 μmol , 1.0 equiv), **2b** was obtained in 99% yield (36.5 mg, 44 μmol). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz, ppm): δ 7.45 (d, $J = 4.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.53 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.57–7.62 (m, 2H), 7.66–7.68 (m, 4H), 7.73–7.78 (m, 9H), 7.94–7.96 (m, 2H), 7.97 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 8.06–8.09 (m, 2H), 8.51–8.53 (m, 2H), 8.71 (d, $J = 5.2$ Hz, 1H), 9.04 (d, $J = 5.2$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz, ppm): δ 98.63, 112.51, 118.90, 120.83, 125.11, 126.42, 127.36, 127.46, 127.54, 127.98, 128.10, 128.33, 128.80, 129.04, 130.94, 131.20, 132.50, 132.98, 133.08, 133.55, 136.03, 136.13, 136.47, 138.37, 139.15, 142.55, 144.02, 145.21, 154.55, 154.66, 157.90, 165.71, 213.91, 216.62, 216.84; MS (MALDI, positive): m/z 745.16 ($[\text{M}-3\text{CO}]^+$), 665.43 ($[\text{M}-3\text{CO}-\text{Br}]^+$); HRMS (ESI^+): Found: m/z 828.05602, Calcd for $\text{C}_{47}\text{H}_{26}\text{MnBrN}_4\text{O}_3(\text{M}^+)$: m/z 828.05688; Anal. Calcd for **2b**·0.1 CH_2Cl_2 ($\text{C}_{47.1}\text{H}_{26.2}\text{BrCl}_{0.2}\text{MnN}_4\text{O}_3$): C, 67.50; H, 3.15; N, 6.69. Found: C, 67.59; H, 3.36; N, 6.43; UV–vis–NIR (CH_2Cl_2 , $\lambda_{\text{max}}/\text{nm}$, ($\log \epsilon$)): 954 (3.27), 858 (3.33), 651 (3.74), 496 (4.64), 352 (4.57); IR (powder, cm^{-1} , CO): 1904, 1915, 2005.

Manganese(II) 21-Nitro N-Fused Tetraphenylporphyrinato Tricarbonyl Complex ($\text{Mn}^{\text{II}}(21\text{-NO}_2\text{-NFTPP})(\text{CO})_3$, **2c**). Starting from 21- NO_2 -NFTPP (**1c**) (30.4 mg, 46 μmol , 1.0 equiv), **2c** was obtained in 18% yield (6.6 mg, 8 μmol). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz, ppm): δ 7.56 (d, $J = 4.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.60–7.62 (m, 1H), 7.65–7.73 (m, 9H), 7.75–7.95 (m, 6H), 7.94–7.96 (m, 2H), 8.09 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H), 8.19 (m, 3H), 8.89 (d, $J = 5.0$ Hz, 1H), 9.13 (d, $J = 5.0$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz, ppm): δ 113.91, 119.99, 121.55, 121.70, 126.74, 127.35, 127.65, 128.08, 128.54, 128.56, 128.65, 128.80, 129.25, 130.56, 130.90, 130.93, 131.81, 132.40, 132.50, 132.78, 133.51, 135.44, 135.48, 137.03, 137.64, 137.77, 137.99, 139.42, 144.84, 146.32, 155.31, 156.19, 157.04, 157.32, 165.05, 167.79, 213.26, 214.65, 215.58; MS (MALDI, positive): m/z 711.01 ($[\text{M}-3\text{CO}]^+$); HRMS (ESI^+): Found: m/z 796.14126, Calcd for $\text{C}_{47}\text{H}_{27}\text{MnN}_5\text{O}_5(\text{MH}^+)$: m/z 796.13927; Anal. Calcd for **2c**·0.7 CH_2Cl_2 ($\text{C}_{47.7}\text{H}_{27.4}\text{Cl}_{1.4}\text{MnN}_5\text{O}_5$): C, 67.00; H, 3.23; N, 8.19. Found: C, 66.78; H, 3.43; N, 8.36; UV–vis–NIR (CH_2Cl_2 , $\lambda_{\text{max}}/\text{nm}$, ($\log \epsilon$)): 862 (3.25), 772 (3.50), 679 (3.79), 515 (4.69), 357 (4.51); IR (powder, cm^{-1} , CO): 1896, 1916, 2006.

Manganese(II) 21-Benzoyl N-Fused Tetraphenylporphyrinato Tricarbonyl Complex ($\text{Mn}^{\text{II}}(21\text{-Bz-NFTPP})(\text{CO})_3$, **2d**). Starting from 21-Bz-NFTPP (**1d**) (16.6 mg, 23 μmol , 1.0 equiv), **2d** was obtained in 46% yield (8.9 mg, 11 μmol). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz, ppm): δ 7.15–7.20 (m, 2H), 7.29–7.32 (m, 3H), 7.39–7.51 (m, 5H), 7.59–7.67 (m, 9H), 7.72–7.81 (m, 3H), 7.88–7.98 (m, 2H), 8.10–8.11 (m, 3H), 8.18–8.20 (m, 2H), 8.81 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 9.10 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz, ppm): δ 114.12, 119.53, 123.20, 126.19, 127.35, 127.46, 127.51, 127.66, 127.70, 128.06, 128.20, 128.33, 128.69, 128.76, 128.89, 130.12, 130.82, 131.13, 131.89, 132.10, 132.46, 133.31, 133.52, 134.19, 135.11, 136.38, 137.89, 138.42, 138.80, 140.56, 145.14, 145.34, 146.68, 155.00, 155.03, 155.74, 157.50, 165.12, 193.00, 213.60, 216.35, 216.47; MS (MALDI, positive): m/z 770.17 ($[\text{M}-3\text{CO}]^+$); HRMS (ESI^+): Found: m/z 855.18174, Calcd for $\text{C}_{54}\text{H}_{32}\text{MnN}_4\text{O}_4(\text{MH}^+)$: m/z 855.18040; Anal. Calcd for **2d**·1.4 CH_2Cl_2 ($\text{C}_{55.4}\text{H}_{33.8}\text{Cl}_{2.8}\text{MnN}_4\text{O}_4$): C, 68.34; H, 3.50; N, 5.75. Found: C, 68.37; H, 3.73; N, 5.76; UV–vis–NIR (CH_2Cl_2 , $\lambda_{\text{max}}/\text{nm}$,

($\log \epsilon$): 908 (3.09), 828 (3.15), 502 (4.47), 356 (4.35); IR (powder, cm^{-1} , CO): 1653 (CHO), 1916, 2003, 2010.

Reactions of N-Confused Tetraphenylporphyrins with $\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5\text{Br}$. Preparation of **2c (Typical Procedure).** A solution of 21- NO_2 -NCTPP (**3c**) (30 mg, 45 μmol , 1.0 equiv), $\text{Mn}(\text{CO})_5\text{Br}$ (12.2 mg, 45 μmol , 1.0 equiv), and K_2CO_3 (18.6 mg, 135 μmol , 3.0 equiv) in THF (10 mL) was heated at 100 °C for 5 h under argon atmosphere. After cooling, toluene was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (eluent: $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{hexane} = 2/1$). The first purple violet fraction was collected and concentrated to dryness to give **2c** in 10% yield (3.9 mg, 5 μmol). The second green fraction gave recovered **3c** in 64% yield (19.3 mg, 29 μmol).

Manganese(II) 21-Methyl N-Fused Tetraphenylporphyrinato Tricarbonyl Complex ($\text{Mn}^{\text{II}}(21\text{-Me-NFTPP})(\text{CO})_3$, **2g**). Starting from 21-Me-NCTPP (**3g**) (31 mg, 49 μmol , 1.0 equiv), **2g** was obtained in 43% yield (13.3 mg, 21 μmol); reaction time 2 h. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz, ppm): δ 2.94 (s, 3H), 7.29 (d, $J = 4.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, $J = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d, $J = 4.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.52–7.61 (m, 7H), 7.68–7.73 (m, 7H), 7.82 (d, $J = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.86–7.89 (m, 2H), 7.97–8.01 (m, 2H), 8.27–8.29 (m, 2H), 8.52 (d, $J = 5.2$ Hz, 1H), 8.87 (d, $J = 5.2$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz, ppm): δ 16.14, 112.70, 117.97, 120.05, 124.94, 125.83, 126.24, 127.43, 127.69, 127.86, 127.88, 128.14, 128.69, 129.31, 130.70, 130.77, 131.44, 132.81, 132.85, 134.40, 135.67, 136.08, 137.85, 138.64, 138.85, 143.77, 145.43, 146.56, 152.99, 153.79, 154.04, 158.61, 165.47, 214.20, 217.20, 217.35; MS (MALDI, positive): m/z 679.91 ($[\text{M}-3\text{CO}]^+$); HRMS (ESI^+): Found: m/z 765.17236, Calcd for $\text{C}_{48}\text{H}_{30}\text{MnN}_4\text{O}_3(\text{MH}^+)$: m/z 765.16984; Anal. Calcd for **2g**·0.1 CH_2Cl_2 ($\text{C}_{48.1}\text{H}_{29.2}\text{Cl}_{0.2}\text{MnN}_4\text{O}_3$): C, 74.72; H, 3.81; N, 7.25. Found: C, 74.92; H, 4.03; N, 7.16; UV–vis–NIR (CH_2Cl_2 , $\lambda_{\text{max}}/\text{nm}$, ($\log \epsilon$)): 963 (3.19), 873 (3.26), 493 (4.55), 348 (4.53); IR (powder, cm^{-1} , CO): 1900, 1916, 2004.

Manganese(II) 21-Propyl N-Fused Tetraphenylporphyrinato Tricarbonyl Complex ($\text{Mn}^{\text{II}}(21\text{-Pr-NFTPP})(\text{CO})_3$, **2h**). Starting from 21-Pr-NCTPP (**3h**) (38.0 mg, 58 μmol , 1.0 equiv), **2h** was obtained in 40% yield (18.5 mg, 23 μmol); reaction time 2 h. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz, ppm): δ 0.63 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 3H), 1.52–1.60 (m, 2H), 3.18–3.39 (m, 2H), 7.31 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.40 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.53–7.61 (m, 6H), 7.70–7.78 (m, 7H), 7.85 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.88–7.91 (m, 2H), 7.98–8.02 (m, 2H), 8.22–8.25 (m, 2H), 8.30–8.32 (m, 1H), 8.55 (d, $J = 5.2$ Hz, 1H), 8.87 (d, $J = 5.2$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz, ppm): δ 14.18, 27.10, 31.58, 113.03, 118.02, 119.96, 124.88, 125.98, 127.43, 127.60, 127.72, 127.86, 128.12, 128.65, 129.17, 130.37, 130.73, 130.82, 131.26, 131.68, 132.07, 132.85, 132.90, 134.63, 135.69, 135.85, 137.88, 138.57, 138.66, 144.04, 145.52, 146.02, 153.04, 153.81, 154.27, 158.71, 165.31, 214.05, 217.10, 217.24; MS (MALDI, positive): m/z 707.92 ($[\text{M}-3\text{CO}]^+$); HRMS (ESI^+): Found: m/z 793.20121, Calcd for $\text{C}_{50}\text{H}_{34}\text{MnN}_4\text{O}_3(\text{MH}^+)$: m/z 793.20114; Anal. Calcd for **2h**·0.85 CH_2Cl_2 ($\text{C}_{50.85}\text{H}_{34.7}\text{Cl}_{1.7}\text{MnN}_4\text{O}_3$): C, 70.61; H, 4.04; N, 6.48. Found: C, 70.65; H, 4.16; N, 6.25; UV–vis–NIR (CH_2Cl_2 , $\lambda_{\text{max}}/\text{nm}$, ($\log \epsilon$)): 961 (3.11), 867 (3.15), 492 (4.47), 348 (4.43); IR (powder, cm^{-1} , CO): 1904, 1915, 2002.

Manganese(II) 21-Isobutyl N-Fused Tetraphenylporphyrinato Tricarbonyl Complex ($\text{Mn}^{\text{II}}(21\text{-Bu-NFTPP})(\text{CO})_3$, **2i**). Starting from 21-Bu-NCTPP (**3i**) (31 mg, 46 μmol , 1.0 equiv), **2i** was obtained in 40% yield (15.0 mg, 19 μmol); reaction time 2 h. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz, ppm): δ 0.49 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 3H), 0.55 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 3H), 1.75–1.88 (m, 1H), 3.11 (dd, $J = 13.9$ Hz, $J = 6.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.42 (dd, $J = 13.9$ Hz, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.32 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.54–7.66 (m, 7H), 7.71–7.79 (m, 7H), 7.88 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.89–7.91 (m, 1H), 7.96–8.08 (m, 2H), 8.21 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 8.30–8.57 (m, 1H), 8.56 (d, $J = 5.1$ Hz, 1H), 8.90 (d, $J = 5.1$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz, ppm): δ 14.13, 22.65, 32.76, 37.60, 113.25, 118.04, 124.92, 126.10, 127.42, 127.63, 127.80,

127.86, 128.13, 128.65, 129.09, 130.54, 130.74, 130.87, 131.54, 132.88, 132.93, 134.63, 135.85, 137.89, 138.68, 138.75, 144.17, 145.60, 146.55, 152.96, 153.81, 154.35, 158.71, 165.24, 214.03, 214.69, 217.22; MS (MALDI, positive): m/z 722.03 ($[M-3CO]^+$); HRMS (ESI⁺): Found: m/z 807.21951, Calcd for $C_{51}H_{36}MnN_4O_3$ (MH⁺): m/z 807.21679; Anal. Calcd for $2i \cdot 0.4CH_2Cl_2$ ($C_{51.4}H_{35.8}Cl_{0.8}MnN_4O_3$): C, 73.43; H, 4.29; N, 6.66. Found: C, 73.33; H, 4.31; N, 6.73; UV-vis-NIR (CH_2Cl_2 , λ_{max}/nm , (log ϵ)): 960 (2.99), 869(3.09), 493 (4.33), 348 (4.30); IR (powder, cm^{-1} , CO): 1904, 1920, 2006.

Manganese(II) 21-Isopropyl N-Fused Tetraphenylporphyrinato Tricarbonyl Complex (Mn^I(21-*Pr*-NFTPP)(CO)₃, **2j).** Starting from 21-*i*-Pr-NCTPP (**3j**) (30 mg, 46 μ mol, 1.0 equiv), **2j** was obtained in 42% yield (15.1 mg, 21 μ mol); reaction time 2 h. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz, ppm): δ 1.22 (d, $J = 6.7$ Hz, 3H), 1.48 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 3H), 3.55 (sept, $J = 6.7$ Hz, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, $J = 4.58$ Hz, 1H), 7.40 (d, $J = 4.58$ Hz, 1H), 7.46 (d, $J = 4.58$ Hz, 1H), 7.59–7.78 (m, 13H), 7.86 (d, $J = 4.58$ Hz, 1H), 7.88–7.92 (m, 2H), 7.98–8.00 (m, 4H), 8.26–8.28 (m, 1H), 8.51 (d, $J = 5.2$ Hz, 1H), 8.61 (d, $J = 5.2$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz, ppm): δ 24.00, 24.55, 27.93, 112.86, 117.85, 119.84, 124.87, 126.13, 127.34, 127.42, 127.84, 128.12, 128.41, 128.61, 129.95, 130.73, 131.08, 131.34, 131.80, 132.62, 132.87, 135.86, 136.14, 138.51, 138.66, 139.22, 145.28, 145.39, 145.52, 152.88, 153.63, 154.46, 158.79, 165.30, 204.17, 208.84, 217.15; MS (MALDI, positive): $m/z = 708.07$ ($[M-3CO]^+$); HRMS (ESI⁺): Found: m/z 793.19896, Calcd for $C_{50}H_{34}MnN_4O_3$ (MH⁺): m/z 793.20114; Anal. Calcd for **2j**·0.3CH₂Cl₂ ($C_{50.3}H_{33.6}Cl_{0.6}MnN_4O_3$): C, 73.83; H, 4.14; N, 6.85. Found: C, 73.95; H, 4.30; N, 6.63; UV-vis-NIR (CH_2Cl_2 , λ_{max}/nm , (log ϵ)): 952 (3.27), 861 (3.30), 488 (4.64), 346 (4.63); IR (powder, cm^{-1} , CO): 1908, 1926, 2010.

Manganese(II) 21-Benzyl N-Fused Tetraphenylporphyrinato Tricarbonyl Complex (Mn^I(21-*Bn*-NFTPP)(CO)₃, **2k).** A THF solution of 21-benzyl NCTPP (**3k**) (41.4 mg, 59 μ mol, 1.0 equiv) and K₂CO₃ (24.3 mg, 177 μ mol, 3.0 equiv) was refluxed for 10 min. To the resulting mixture, a THF solution of Mn(CO)₅Br (16.2 mg, 59 μ mol, 1.0 equiv) was added dropwise, and the reaction mixture was refluxed for 2 h. After cooling, THF was removed under reduced pressure and residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/hexane = 2/1). The first violet fraction was collected and concentrated to dryness to give **2k** in 11% yield (5.4 mg, 6.0 μ mol), and the second violet fraction afforded **2d** in 2% yield (1.2 mg, 1.0 μ mol). The third violet fraction gave 21-benzoyl NFTPP (**1d**) in 21% yield (8.8 mg, 12 μ mol), and the fourth green fraction afforded 21-benzoyl-NCTPP (**3d**) in 19% yield (8.0 mg, 11 μ mol).

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz, ppm): δ 4.87 (d, $J = 17.1$ Hz, 1H), 5.01 (d, $J = 17.1$ Hz, 1H), 6.69–6.71 (m, 2H), 6.99–7.01 (m, 2H), 7.32 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.33–7.34 (m, 2H), 7.41 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.45 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.46–7.47 (m, 2H), 7.53–7.62 (m, 7H), 7.70–7.73 (m, 3H), 7.90 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.94–8.05 (m, 5H), 8.08–8.11 (m, 2H), 8.59 (d, $J = 5.1$ Hz, 1H), 8.89 (d, $J = 5.1$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz, ppm): δ 34.07, 113.16, 118.23, 120.10, 124.88, 125.44, 126.28, 126.99, 127.23, 127.44, 127.51, 127.59, 127.71, 127.74, 127.92, 128.16, 128.29, 128.32, 128.37, 129.24, 130.30, 130.65, 130.83, 131.21, 131.59, 132.97, 133.06, 134.36, 135.84, 137.03, 138.61, 138.85, 141.66, 144.24, 145.51, 146.25, 153.31, 154.01, 154.53, 158.45, 165.23, 214.03, 216.92, 217.08; MS (MALDI, positive): m/z 756.19 ($[M-3CO]^+$); HRMS (ESI⁺): Found: m/z 841.19992, Calcd for $C_{54}H_{34}MnN_4O_3$ (MH⁺): m/z 841.20114; Anal. Calcd for **2k**·0.2CH₂Cl₂ ($C_{54.2}H_{33.4}Cl_{0.4}MnN_4O_3$): C, 75.89; H, 3.92; N, 6.53. Found: C, 75.84; H, 3.95; N, 6.61; UV-vis-NIR (CH_2Cl_2 , λ_{max}/nm , (log ϵ)): 953 (3.20), 858 (3.25), 493 (4.57), 348 (4.52); IR (powder, cm^{-1} , CO): 1894, 1935, 2008.

21-Benzoyl N-Fused Tetraphenylporphyrin (21-Bz-NFTPP, **1d**).

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz, ppm): δ 7.03–7.08 (m, 2H), 7.31–7.39 (m, 5H), 7.44–7.51 (m, 3H), 7.57–7.62 (m, 2H), 7.71–7.80 (m, 9H), 8.05–8.11 (m, 5H), 8.21–8.23 (m, 3H), 8.77 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 9.11 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz, ppm): δ 115.98,

119.77, 120.24, 121.01, 125.87, 126.43, 126.92, 127.55, 127.78, 127.84, 128.08, 128.27, 128.64, 128.91, 129.19, 129.57, 129.89, 131.44, 131.68, 131.90, 133.04, 133.32, 134.08, 134.51, 134.85, 134.95, 137.10, 138.67, 138.94, 140.65, 140.68, 143.02, 146.14, 147.57, 149.87, 150.09, 153.50, 156.04, 195.60; MS (MALDI, positive): m/z 716.23 ($[M]^+$); HRMS (ESI⁺): Found: m/z 717.26588, Calcd for $C_{51}H_{33}N_4O$ (MH⁺): m/z 717.26544; Anal. Calcd for **1d**·1.35CH₂Cl₂ ($C_{52.35}H_{34.7}Cl_{2.7}N_4O$): C, 75.62; H, 4.21; N, 6.74. Found: C, 75.38; H, 4.24; N, 6.86; UV-vis-NIR (CH_2Cl_2 , λ_{max}/nm , (log ϵ)): 911 (3.22), 831 (3.26), 645 (3.78), 545 (4.46), 504 (4.52), 360 (4.53).

Reaction of NFTPP (1a) with Mn₂(CO)₁₀. A solution of **1a** (20 mg, 32 μ mol, 1.0 equiv) and Mn₂(CO)₁₀ (7.6 mg, 19 μ mol, 0.6 equiv) in 1,2-dichlorobenzene (10 mL) was heated at 130 °C for 2 h. After cooling, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/hexane = 2/1). The first reddish purple fraction was collected and concentrated to dryness to give **2a** in 56% yield (13.4 mg, 18 μ mol).

Chemical Functionalization of 2a. Preparation of 2c (Nitration). Sodium nitrite (200 mg) was dissolved in 20 mL of aqueous HCl solution (3.3 wt %) and the mixture was added to a CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) solution of **2a** (20 mg, 27 μ mol). The resulting suspension was vigorously stirred at room temperature for 5 min. After neutralizing with Na₂CO₃, the organic layer was separated, dried over Na₂SO₄, and evaporated to dryness. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/hexane = 2/1). The first purple violet fraction was collected and concentrated to dryness to give **2c** in 85% yield (18.2 mg, 23 μ mol).

Preparation of Manganese(II) 21-Formyl N-Fused Tetraphenylporphyrinato Tricarbonyl Complex (Mn^I(21-CHO-NFTPP)(CO)₃, **2e) (Formylation).** A solution of Mn^I(NFTPP)(CO)₃ (**2a**) (40 mg, 53 μ mol) in dichloromethane (10 mL) was added dropwise over 10 min to a solution of Vilsmeier–Haack reagent prepared from DMF (1.78 mL, 25 mmol) and phosphorus oxychloride (2.28 mL, 26 mmol). The resulting mixture was stirred at ambient temperature for 1 h and the neutralized with aqueous NaHCO₃ solution. The organic layer was separated, washed with water, and dried over Na₂SO₄. After evaporation, the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography with CH₂Cl₂. The first purple fraction was gave **2e** in 93% yield (38.2 mg, 49 μ mol). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz, ppm): δ 7.62–7.70 (m, 7H), 7.75–7.83 (m, 10H), 7.79–8.02 (m, 2H), 8.11–8.13 (m, 2H), 8.23 (d, $J = 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.26–8.28 (m, 2H), 8.94 (d, $J = 5.1$ Hz, 1H), 9.18 (d, $J = 5.1$ Hz, 1H), 10.14 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz, ppm): δ 116.74, 121.28, 122.46, 122.13, 125.25, 126.65, 127.24, 127.59, 128.20, 128.40, 128.46, 128.55, 128.98, 129.63, 130.51, 131.34, 133.28, 133.56, 133.88, 134.74, 135.17, 136.35, 136.63, 138.22, 138.71, 145.09, 147.17, 149.79, 156.10, 156.70, 156.85, 158.29, 164.22, 186.10, 213.30, 215.30, 215.58; MS (MALDI, positive): m/z 694.41 ($[M-3CO]^+$); HRMS (ESI⁺): Found: m/z 779.14712, Calcd for $C_{48}H_{28}MnN_4O_4$ (MH⁺): m/z 779.14910; Anal. Calcd for **2e**·0.25CH₂Cl₂ ($C_{48.25}H_{27.5}Cl_{0.5}MnN_4O_4$): C, 72.45; H, 3.47; N, 7.00. Found: C, 72.73; H, 3.52; N, 6.78; UV-vis-NIR (CH_2Cl_2 , λ_{max}/nm , (log ϵ)): 879 (3.24), 799 (3.31), 508 (4.59), 355 (4.42); IR (powder, cm^{-1} , CO): 1640 (CHO), 1907, 1921, 2008.

Preparation of Manganese(II) 21-Chloro N-Fused Tetraphenylporphyrinato Tricarbonyl Complex (Mn^I(21-Cl-NFTPP)(CO)₃, **2f) (Chlorination).** To a CH₂Cl₂ solution of Mn^I(NFTPP)(CO)₃ (**2a**) (30.6 mg, 41 μ mol, equiv) was added NCS (10.9 mg, 62 μ mol, 1.5 equiv), and the resulting solution was stirred for 1 h. After evaporation, the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography with CH₂Cl₂ to give **2f** in 95% yield (30.3 mg, 39 μ mol). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz, ppm): δ 7.38 (d, $J = 4.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.45 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.53–7.68 (m, 2H), 7.63–7.66 (m, 6H), 7.70–7.76 (m, 8H), 7.90 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.92–7.96 (m, 1H), 8.00–8.04 (m, 2H), 8.51–8.54 (m, 2H), 8.64 (d, $J = 5.1$ Hz, 1H), 9.02 (d, $J = 5.1$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz, ppm): δ : 112.16, 113.75, 118.89, 120.85, 123.85, 125.16, 127.22, 127.53, 127.99, 128.08, 128.32, 128.70, 129.27, 130.94,

Table 4. Crystal Data and Structure Analysis Results for Complexes 2a, 2h, and 2i

	2a·CH ₂ Cl ₂	2h	2i
formula	C ₄₈ H ₂₉ Cl ₂ Mn ₁ N ₄ O ₃	C ₅₀ H ₃₃ Mn ₁ N ₄ O ₃	C ₅₁ H ₃₅ Mn ₁ N ₄ O ₃
cryst syst	monoclinic	triclinic	triclinic
space group	P2 ₁ /n (No. 14)	P1	P1
R	0.0582	0.0874	0.0505
wR2 (all data)	0.1352	0.1900	0.1320
GOF	0.934	0.867	0.932
a (Å)	15.007(2)	10.516(2)	11.079(9)
b (Å)	12.5455(19)	12.572(3)	12.993(11)
c (Å)	21.150(3)	16.811(4)	16.504(14)
α (deg)	90	73.230(4)	67.149(17)
β (deg)	102.227(4)	78.966(4)	78.73(2)
γ (deg)	90	86.013(4)	87.872(18)
V (Å ³)	3891.6(10)	2088.5(8)	2145(3)
Z	4	2	2
T (K)	243	223	223
cryst size (mm ³)	0.2 × 0.11 × 0.02	0.22 × 0.10 × 0.08	0.40 × 0.11 × 0.10
D _{calcd} (g cm ⁻³)	1.426	1.261	1.249
2θ _{min} , 2θ _{max} (deg)	3.0, 50.2	2.58, 52.0	2.74, 52.0
no. of rflns measd (unique)	6915	8134	8402
no. of rflns measd (I > 2σ(I))	4626	3481	5624
no. of params	523	525	564
Δ (e Å ⁻³)	0.653, -0.374	0.776, -0.428	0.433, -0.267

131.21, 131.88, 132.91, 133.40, 133.54, 136.08, 136.38, 138.29, 138.87, 141.72, 143.49, 145.13, 154.36, 154.50, 154.57, 157.35, 165.84, 213.99, 216.70, 216.91; MS (MALDI, positive): *m/z* 700.14 ([M-3CO]⁺), 665.16 ([M-3CO-Cl]⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺): Found: *m/z* 784.10991, Calcd for C₄₇H₂₆MnClN₄O₃ (M⁺): *m/z* 784.10739. Anal. Calcd for 2f (C₄₇H₂₆ClMnN₄O₃): C, 71.90; H, 3.34; N, 7.14. Found: C, 72.13; H, 3.37; N, 7.23; UV-vis-NIR (CH₂Cl₂, λ_{max}/nm, (log ε)): 959 (3.07), 872 (3.13), 497 (4.46), 353 (4.40); IR (powder, cm⁻¹, CO): 1909, 1919, 2010.

Demetalation Reaction of 2a. A solution of 2a (30 mg, 39 μmol, 1.0 equiv) and Me₃NO·2H₂O (38.4 mg, 350 μmol, 9.0 equiv) in toluene (5 mL) was refluxed for 30 min. After cooling, toluene was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 98/2). The first reddish fraction was collected and concentrated to dryness to afford 1a in 85% yield (20.3 mg, 33 μmol).

Preparation of 21-Methyl N-Fused Tetraphenylporphyrin (21-Me-NFTPP, 1g) (Demetalation of 2g). A solution of Mn^I(21-Me-NFTPP)(CO)₃ (2g) (11.2 mg, 14 μmol, 1.0 equiv) and Me₃NO·2H₂O (13.8 mg, 126 μmol, 9.0 equiv) in toluene (5 mL) was refluxed for 30 min. After cooling, toluene was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 97/3). The first reddish fraction was collected and concentrated to dryness to afford 1g in 68% yield (6.2 mg, 10 μmol). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz, ppm): δ 2.98 (s, 3H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 1H), 7.51–7.56 (m, 1H), 7.64–7.69 (m, 7H), 7.72–7.76 (m, 6H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (d, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 1H), 7.93–7.95 (m, 2H), 7.99–8.02 (m, 4H), 8.33–8.36 (m, 2H), 8.43 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 8.81 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz, ppm): δ 15.76, 114.62, 118.01, 119.30, 123.07, 123.71, 123.85, 127.07, 127.50, 127.54, 127.66, 127.93, 128.08, 128.73, 129.27, 129.96, 130.19, 131.44, 132.25, 132.95, 133.03, 133.91, 133.98, 134.96, 136.62, 138.19, 139.13, 141.06, 141.52, 146.31, 149.72, 151.20; MS (MALDI, positive): *m/z* 626.16 ([M]⁺); HRMS (ESI⁺): Found: *m/z* 627.25304, Calcd for C₄₅H₃₁N₄(MH⁺): *m/z* 627.25487; Anal. Calcd

for 1g·0.7CH₂Cl₂ (C_{45.7}H_{31.4}Cl_{1.4}N₄): C, 79.99; H, 4.61; N, 8.16. Found: C, 80.10; H, 4.63; N, 7.86; UV-vis-NIR (CH₂Cl₂, λ_{max}/nm, (log ε)): 970 (3.11), 879 (3.16), 697 (3.38), 642 (3.53), 538 (4.29), 494 (4.38), 362 (4.36).

X-ray Diffraction Study. Single crystal X-ray structural analysis was performed on a SMART APEX equipped with CCD detector (Bruker) using MoKα (graphite monochromated, λ = 0.71069 Å) radiation. Crystal data and crystal statistics for 2a, 2h, and 2i are summarized in Table 4. The data were corrected for Lorentz, polarization, and absorption effects. The empirical absorption correction (SADABAS) was applied. The structures of 2a, 2h, and 2i were solved by the direct method and refined using the SHELXL-97 program.³⁹ The non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically by the full-matrix least-squares method. The hydrogen atoms were placed at the calculated positions.

Calculation Details. All density functional theory³⁰ calculations were achieved with a Gaussian03 program package.⁴⁰ The basis sets implemented in the program were used. The B3LYP density functional method⁴¹ was used with a 631T basis set for structural optimizations and frequency calculation, and with a 6311T basis set for single-point energy calculations. The 631T bases set is composed of 6-31G** for carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, and oxygen and TZV for manganese. The 6311T bases set is composed of 6-311++G** for carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, and oxygen and TZV for manganese. Initial structures were based on the X-ray structures or arbitrarily constructed, and equilibrium geometries were fully optimized and verified by the frequency calculations, where no imaginary frequency was found.

■ ASSOCIATED CONTENT

Supporting Information. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of all new compounds and Cartesian coordinates for the optimized structures. This material is available free of charge via the Internet at <http://pubs.acs.org>. Crystallographic data for the structures reported in this article have been deposited with the Cambridge

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