

Supplementary Materials

Quantitative Structure–electrochemistry Relationship (QSER) Studies on Metal-Amino-Porphyrins for Rational Design of CO₂ Reduction Catalysts

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Table S1. The obtained QSER equations to predict the Gibbs free energy values of H* (Y1) for TM-PPs.

| No | Equation | F-value | R ² | R ² (CV) | RSS | RMSE |
|--------|--|---------|----------------|---------------------|-------|-------|
| Eq. 1 | $Y1 = -5.994 * X1 - 14.18 * X3 + 35.934 * X7 - 60.834$ $Y1 = 383.311 * \text{ramp}(X3 - 0.183)$ $+ 29.037 * \text{ramp}(X7 - 1.953)$ $+ 33.1439 * \text{ramp}(2.069 - X7)$ $- 3.440$ | 9.089 | 0.820 | 0.603 | 0.754 | 0.275 |
| Eq. 1A | | 34.273 | 0.945 | 0.832 | 0.231 | 0.152 |
| Eq. 1B | $Y1 = 10.271 * \text{ramp}(X1 - 1.019)$ | 32.113 | 0.941 | 0.804 | 0.245 | 0.157 |

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|--------|----------------------------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | + 401.503 * ramp(X3 - 0.184) | | | | | |
| | + 11.016 * ramp(1.733 - X1) | | | | | |
| | - 7.352 | | | | | |
| | Y1 = 381.573 * ramp (X3 - 0.183) | | | | | |
| Eq. 1C | + 35.183 * ramp (X7 - 1.949) | 34.286 | 0.945 | 0.835 | 0.230 | 0.152 |
| | + 39.346 * ramp (2.075 - X7) | | | | | |
| | - 4.532 | | | | | |
| | Y1 = 16.1652 * ramp (X7 - 1.957) | | | | | |
| Eq.1D | + 3.189 * ramp (1.706 - X1) | 3.029 | 0.464 | 0.000 | 2.241 | 0.871 |
| | - 1.345 | | | | | |

Table S2. The obtained QSER equations to predict the Gibbs free energy values of C*OOH (Y2) for TM-PPs.

| No | Equation | F-value | R ² | R ² (CV) | RSS | RMSE |
|-------|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| Eq. 2 | Y2 = - 5.850 * X1 - 17.701* X3 + 33.585 * X7- 56.143 Y2 = 11.025* ramp (X1 - 1.011) + 367.618 * ramp(X3 - 0.184) + 11.838 * ramp(1.768 - X1) - 8.726 Y2 = 10.271 * ramp (X1 - 1.019) + 401.503 * ramp(X3 - 0.184) + 11.016 * ramp(1.733 - X1) - 7.352 Y2 = 332.971 * ramp (X3 - 0.183) + 41.718 * ramp (X7 - 1.946) + 46.059 * ramp (2.087 - X7) - 6.345 Y2 = 14.860 * ramp (X7 - 1.957) + 3.002 * ramp (1.799 - X1) - 1.851 | 12.238 44.384 44.372 38.441 3.856 | 0.860 0.957 0.957 0.951 | 0.683 0.924 0.923 0.916 | 0.471 0.144 0.145 0.166 | 0.217 0.120 0.1120 0.129 0.527 |

Table S3. The obtained QSER equations to predict the Gibbs free energy values of O*CHO (Y3) for TM-PPs.

| No | Equation | F-value | R ² | R ² (CV) | RSS | RMSE |
|--------|--|---------|----------------|---------------------|-------|-------|
| Eq. 3 | Y3 = - 4.122 * X1 + 11.431 * X7 - 17.236 Y3 = 2354.560 * ramp (X3 - 0.177) - 2043.245 * ramp (X3 - 0.176) + 25.754 * ramp (2.033 - X7) - 1.010 | 9.280 | 0.726 | 0.574 | 1.692 | 0.404 |
| Eq. 3A | Y3 = 244.003 * ramp (X3 - 0.184) + 2.692 * ramp(1.635 - X1) - 1.031 | 42.490 | 0.955 | 0.907 | 0.278 | 0.167 |
| Eq. 3B | Y3 = - 832.681 * ramp (X3 - 0.176) + 1141.851 * ramp (X3 - 0.178) + 25.710 * ramp (2.033 - X7) - 1.009 | 14.212 | 0.802 | 0.670 | 1.221 | 0.349 |
| Eq. 3C | Y3 = - 25.354* ramp (X1 - 1.433) + 31.147 * ramp (X1 - 1.547) + 0.438 | 42.476 | 0.955 | 0.907 | 0.278 | 0.167 |
| Eq. 3D | | 9.735 | 0.736 | 0.641 | 1.634 | 0.483 |

Table S4. The predicted Gibbs free energy values of H*, C*OOH and O*CHO by QSER models for TM-Amino-TPPs.

| TM-Amino- TPPs | Predicted G(H*) values/eV | | Predicted G(C*OOH) values/eV | | Predicted G(O*CHO) values/eV | |
|-------------------|---------------------------|--------|---------------------------------|--------|---------------------------------|--------|
| | Eq. 1 | Eq. 1A | Eq. 2 | Eq. 2A | Eq. 3 | Eq. 3A |
| Sc | 1.466 | 1.075 | 0.869 | 0.395 | -0.72 | -1.01 |
| Ti | -0.18 | 0.066 | -0.611 | -0.373 | -1.068 | -1.01 |
| V | 0.56 | 0.14 | 0.099 | -0.166 | -0.222 | -0.812 |
| Cr | 2.191 | 0.459 | 1.658 | 0.1 | 1.068 | -0.264 |
| Mn | 0.376 | 0.271 | -0.04 | -0.031 | 0.096 | 0.012 |
| Fe | -0.09 | 0.328 | -0.463 | -0.032 | -0.068 | 0.373 |
| Co | 0.229 | 0.419 | -0.138 | 0.128 | 0.493 | -0.15 |
| Ni | 0.233 | 1.15 | -0.11 | 0.834 | 0.88 | 1.094 |
| Cu | 1.519 | 1.687 | 1.017 | 1.179 | 0.892 | 1.159 |
| Zn | 1.719 | 1.918 | 1.154 | 1.395 | 0.549 | 0.654 |

Table S5. The selected 3 properties values of newly designed transitional metal porphyrin complexes.

| TM-Amino-TPP | X1 | X3 | X7 |
|--------------|-------------------|---|--|
| | NBO charges of TM | The average NBO charges of C _a | The average bond length of TM-N _a and TM-N _b |
| Sc | 1.839 | 0.171 | 2.108 |
| Ti | 1.743 | 0.163 | 2.043 |
| V | 1.488 | 0.173 | 2.025 |
| Cr | 1.161 | 0.184 | 2.020 |
| Mn | 1.322 | 0.175 | 1.993 |
| Fe | 1.323 | 0.172 | 1.979 |
| Co | 1.126 | 0.177 | 1.957 |
| Ni | 0.960 | 0.181 | 1.931 |
| Cu | 1.151 | 0.187 | 2.001 |
| Zn | 1.337 | 0.188 | 2.038 |

Figure S1. Occurrences of populations of 8 properties for (a) G(H*), (b) G(C*OOH), (c) G(O*CHO) prediction by genetic algorithm (GA) method.

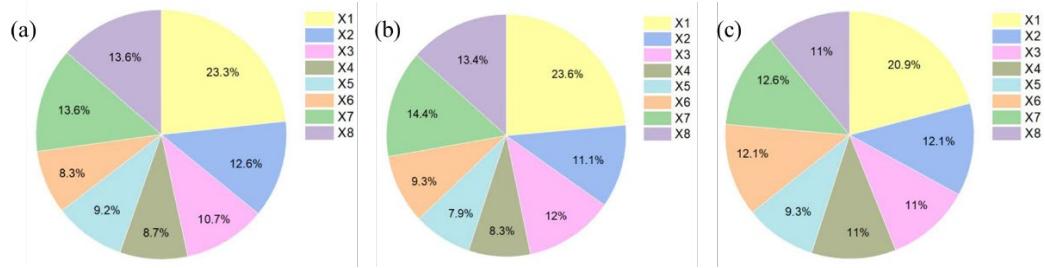


Figure S2. The plot of the descriptors (a) X1, (b) X3 and (c) X7 values of TM-PPs versus TM-Amino-TPPs.

