



Supplementary Materials

Thermodynamic Study of Oxidovanadium(IV) with Kojic Acid Derivatives: A Multi-Technique Approach

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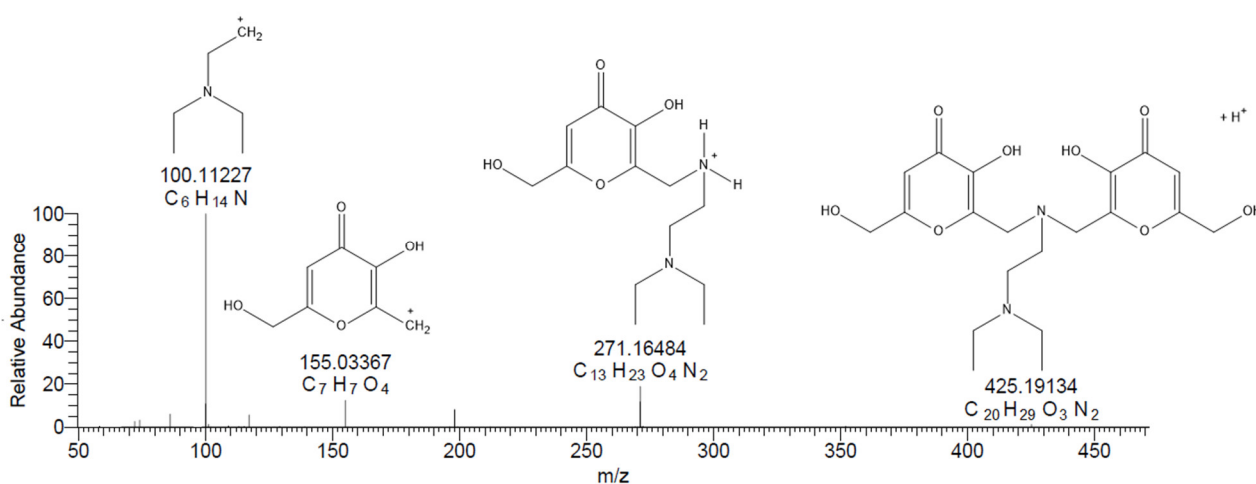
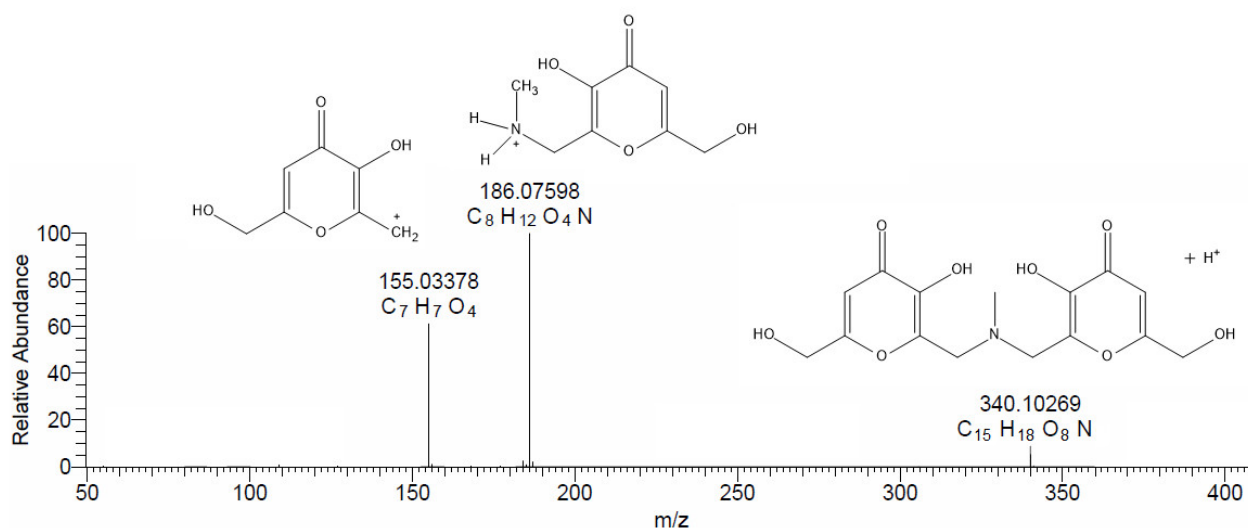


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Table S1. Species identified in the ESI-MS spectra of the L4 and L9 ligands.

Species	Composition	<i>m/z</i> (exptl) ^a	<i>m/z</i> (calcd) ^a	Deviation (ppm) ^b
[L4+H] ⁺	C ₁₅ H ₁₈ NO ₈	340.10250	340.10269	−0.6
[L4+Na] ⁺	C ₁₅ H ₁₇ NO ₈ Na	362.08446	362.08464	−0.5
[L9+H] ⁺	C ₂₀ H ₂₉ O ₈ N ₂	425.19134	425.19184	−1.2

^a Experimental and calculated *m/z* values refer to the monoisotopic peak with the highest intensity. ^b Error in ppm respect to the experimental value, calculated as $10^6 \times [\text{Experimental } (m/z) - \text{Calculated } (m/z)] / \text{Calculated } (m/z)$.

**Figure S1.** ESI-MS/MS(+) spectrum of the signal relative to the [L9+3H]⁺ ion selected in the range of *m/z* = 425.19 ± 0.5, NCE = 10, recorded on the system V^{IV}O²⁺-L9 at 1:1 V^{IV}O²⁺:ligand molar ratio at ligand concentration 5 μM (MeOH).**Figure S2.** ESI-MS/MS(+) spectrum of the signal relative to the [L4+H]⁺ ion selected in the range of *m/z* = 340.10 ± 0.5, NCE = 10, recorded on the system V^{IV}O²⁺-L4 at 1:1 V^{IV}O²⁺:ligand molar ratio with [L4] = 50 μM.

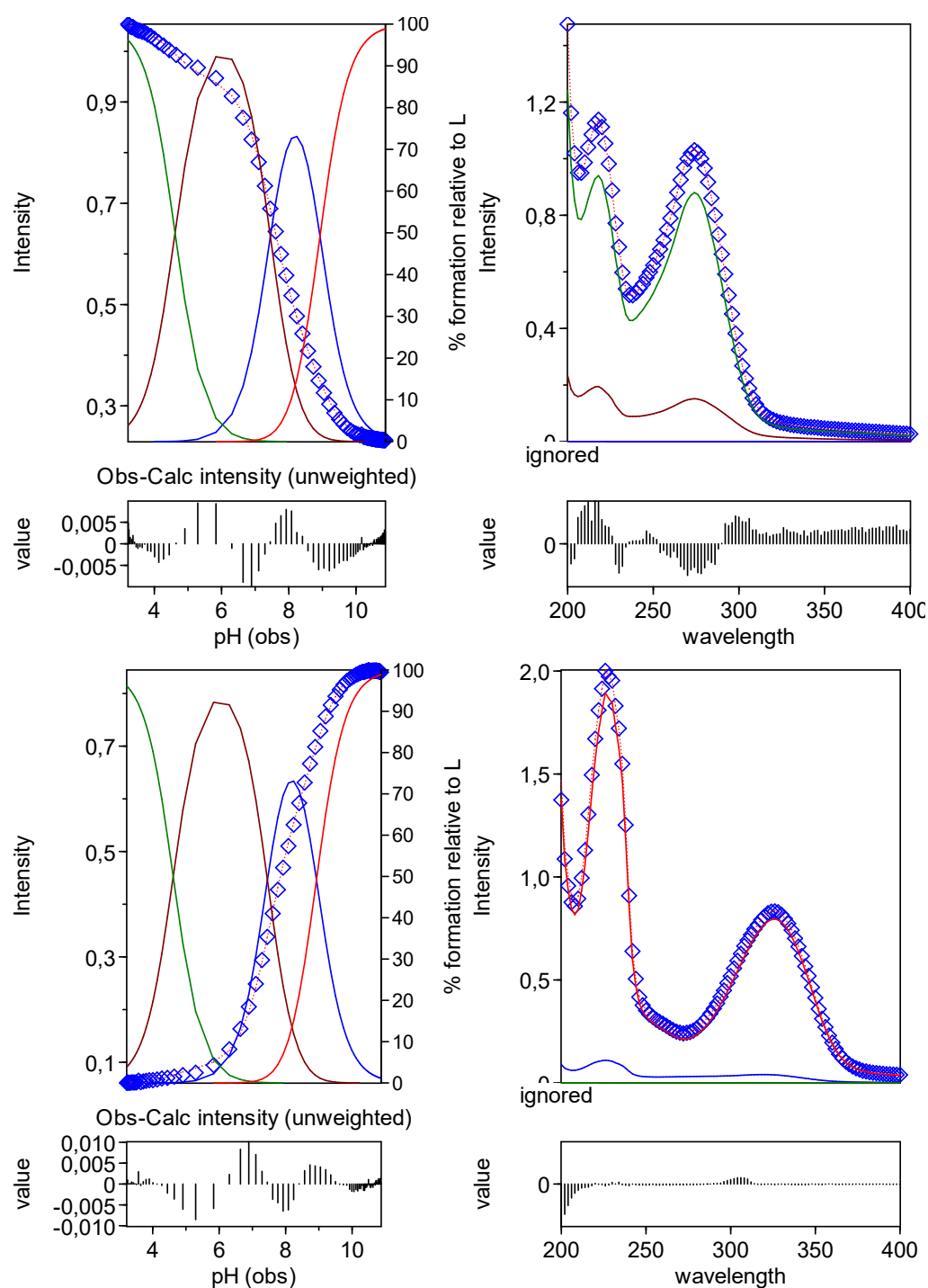


Figure S3. Representative spectra of UV titration of L4 ligand at ligand concentration 3×10^{-4} M. Top: beginning of titration at $\lambda = 274$ nm and pH 3.89. Bottom: end of titration at $\lambda = 326$ nm and pH = 10.06.

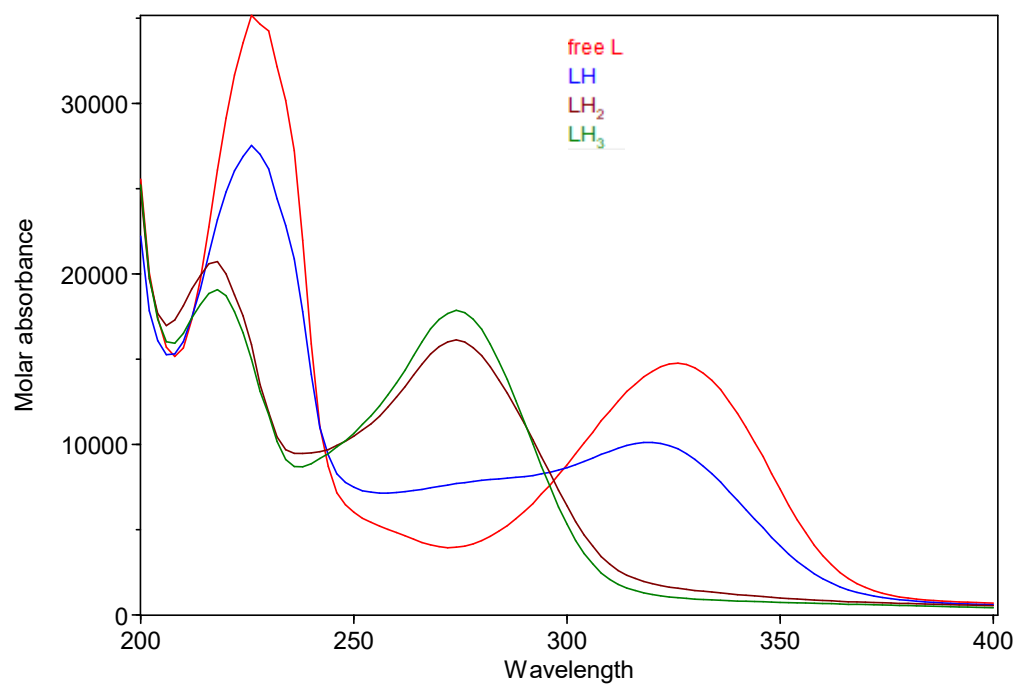


Figure S4. Molar absorptivity of L4 ligand.

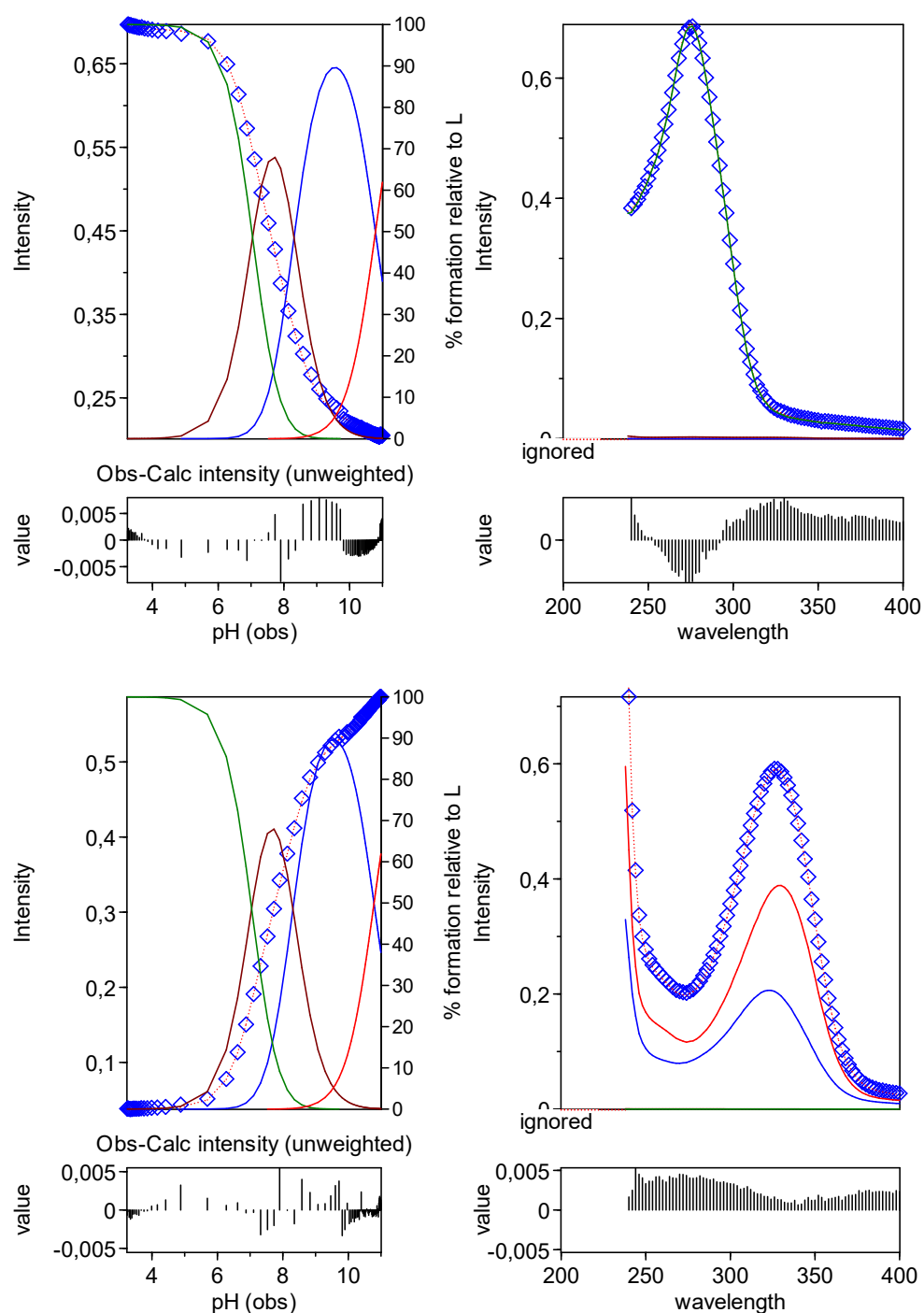


Figure S5. Representative spectra of UV titration of L9 ligand at ligand concentration 3×10^{-4} M. Top: beginning of titration at $\lambda = 276$ nm and pH 4.87. Bottom: end of titration at $\lambda = 330$ nm and pH = 10.99.

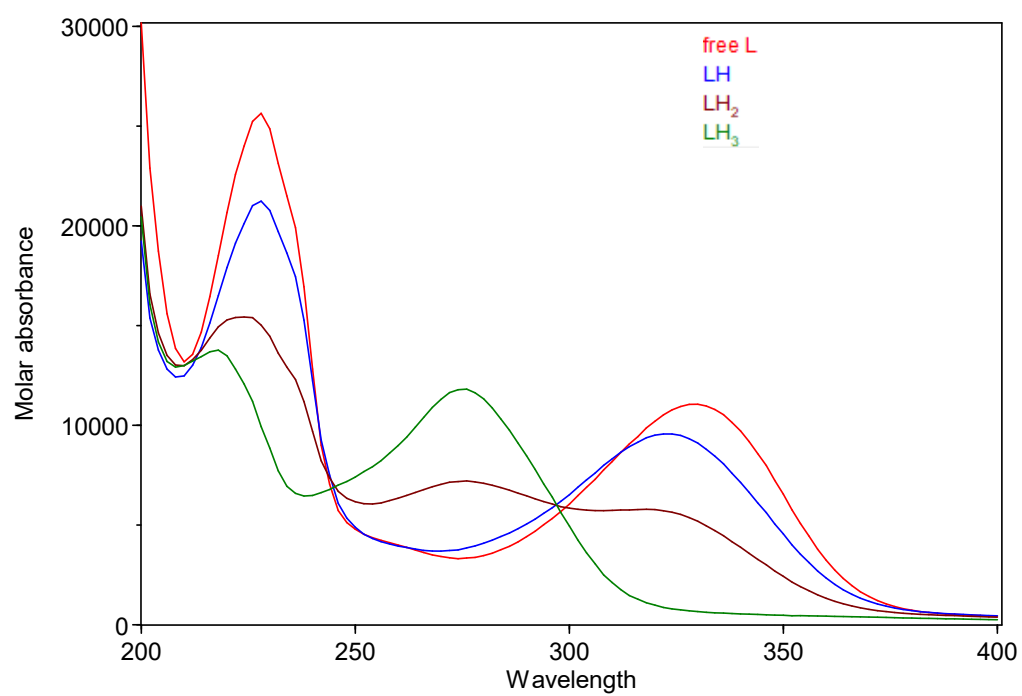


Figure S6. Molar absorptivity of L9 ligand.

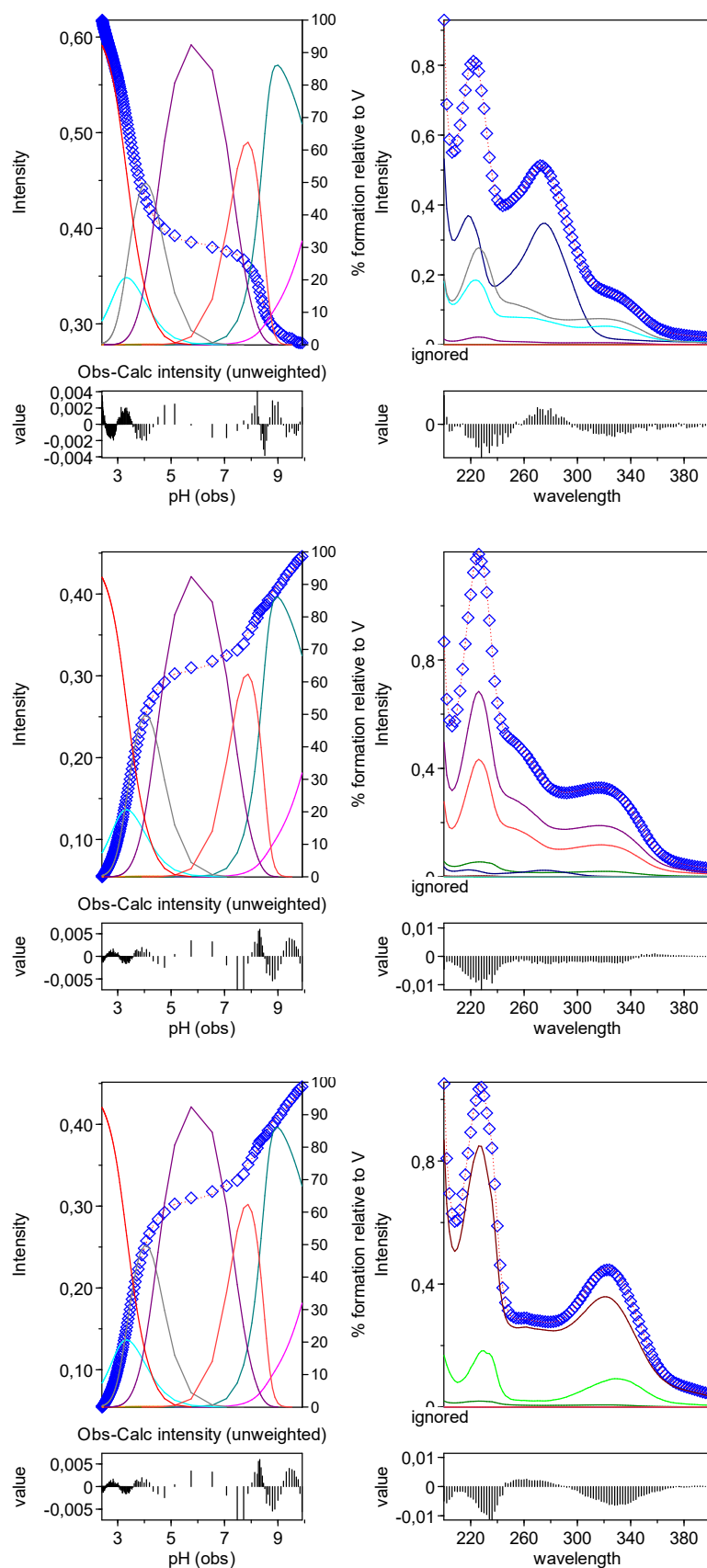


Figure S7. UV titration of $V^{IV}O^{2+}$ -L4 at 1:1 $V^{IV}O^{2+}$:ligand molar ratio at ligand concentration 3×10^{-4} M. HypSpec screenshot. Top: $\lambda = 272$ nm, pH 3.33. Middle: $\lambda = 322$ nm, pH 7.00. Bottom: $\lambda = 322$ nm, pH 9.98.

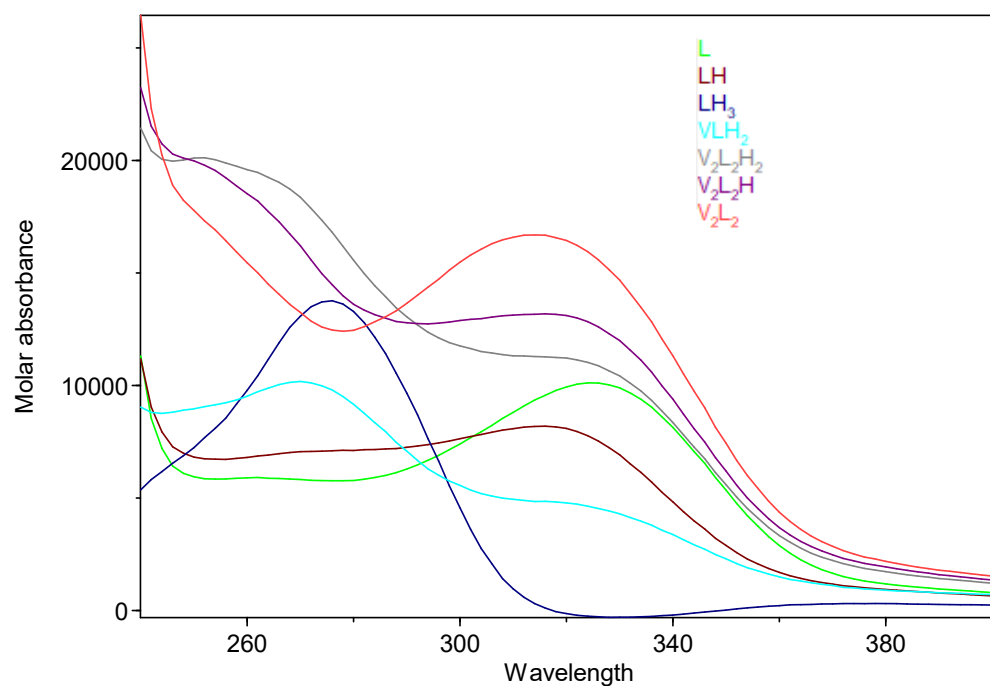


Figure S8. Molar absorptivity of $V^{IV}O^{2+}$ -L4 at 1:1 $V^{IV}O^{2+}$:ligand molar ratio at ligand concentration 3×10^{-4} M.

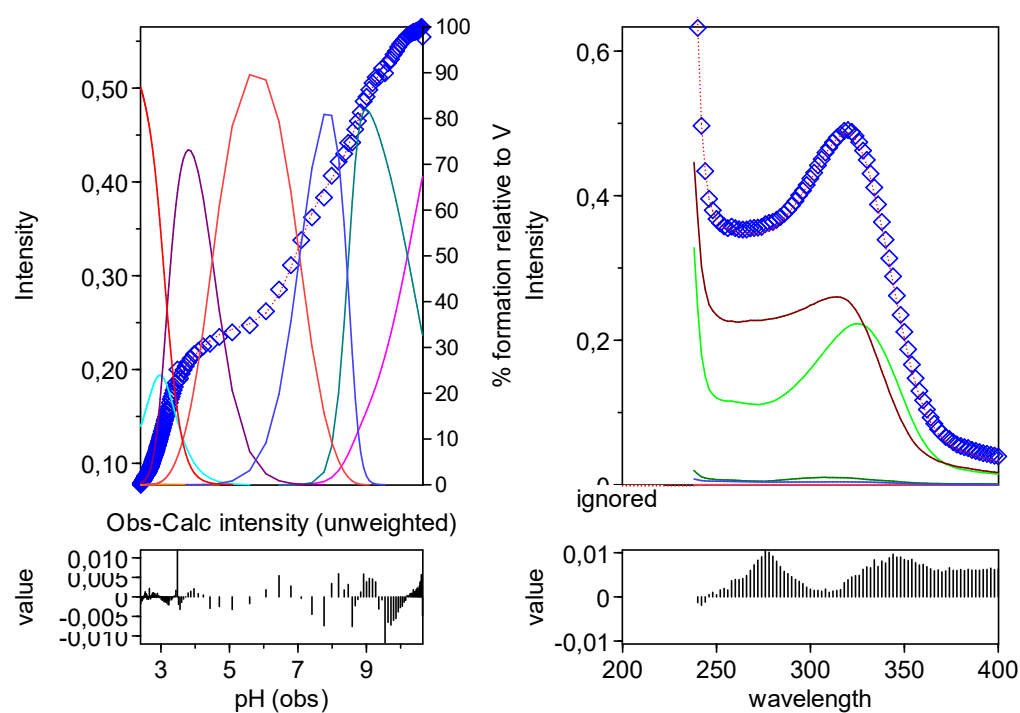


Figure S9. UV titration of $V^{IV}O^{2+}$ -L4 at 1:2 $V^{IV}O^{2+}$:ligand molar ratio at ligand concentration 3×10^{-4} M: HypSpec screenshot. $\lambda = 320$ nm, pH 9.00.

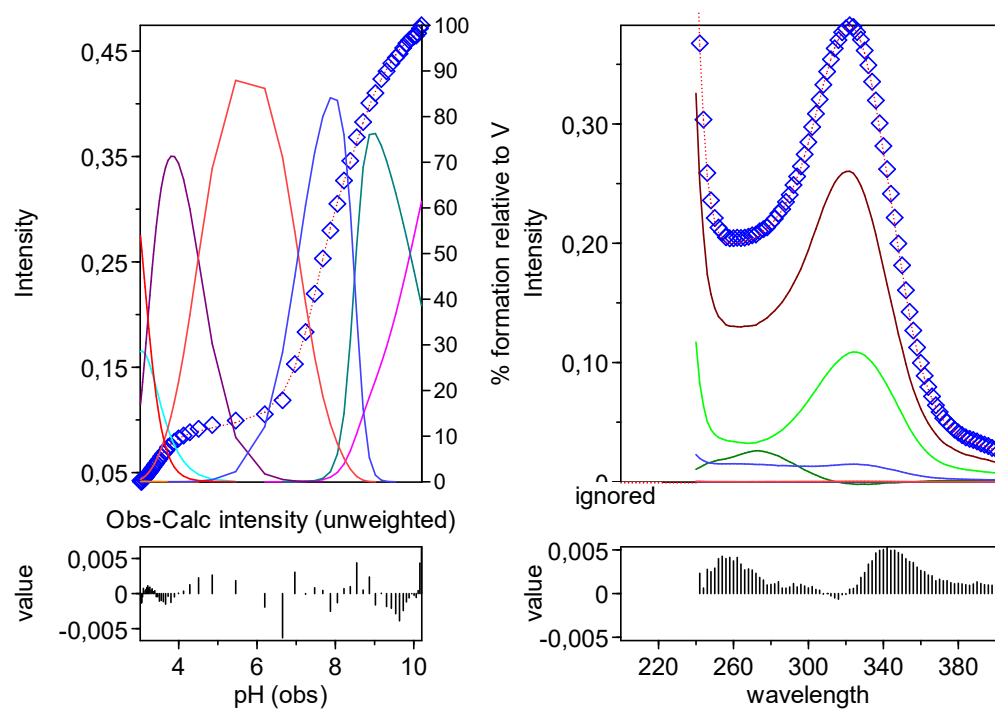


Figure S10. UV titration of $V^{IV}O^{2+}$ -L4 at 1:4 $V^{IV}O^{2+}$:ligand molar ratio at ligand concentration 3×10^{-4} M: HypSpec screenshot. $\lambda = 322$ nm, pH 8.71.

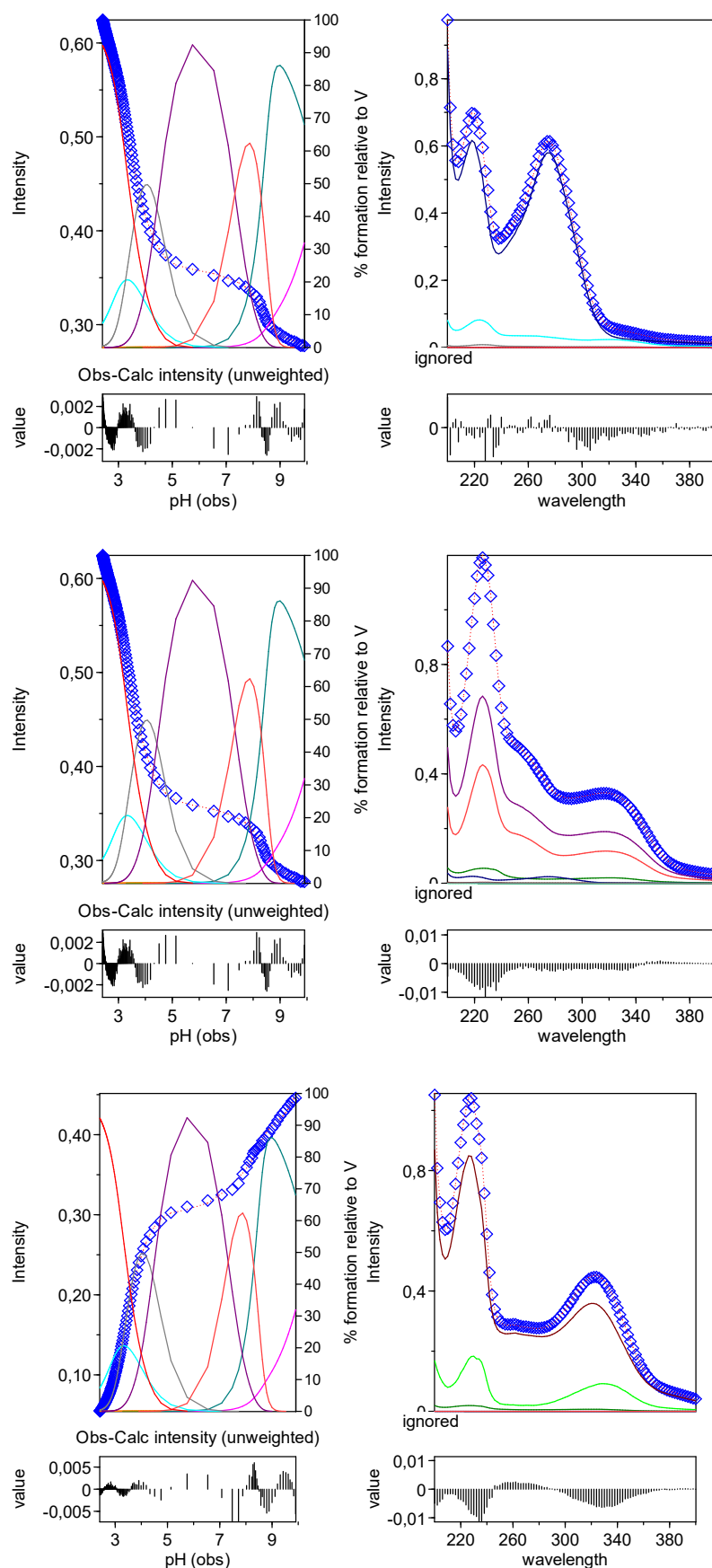


Figure S11. UV titration of $V^{IV}O^{2+}$ -L9 at 1:1 $V^{IV}O^{2+}$:ligand molar ratio at ligand concentration 3×10^{-4} M: HypSpec screenshot. Top: $\lambda = 276$ nm, pH 2.51. Middle: $\lambda = 276$ nm, pH 7.00. Bottom: $\lambda = 322$ nm, pH 9.98.

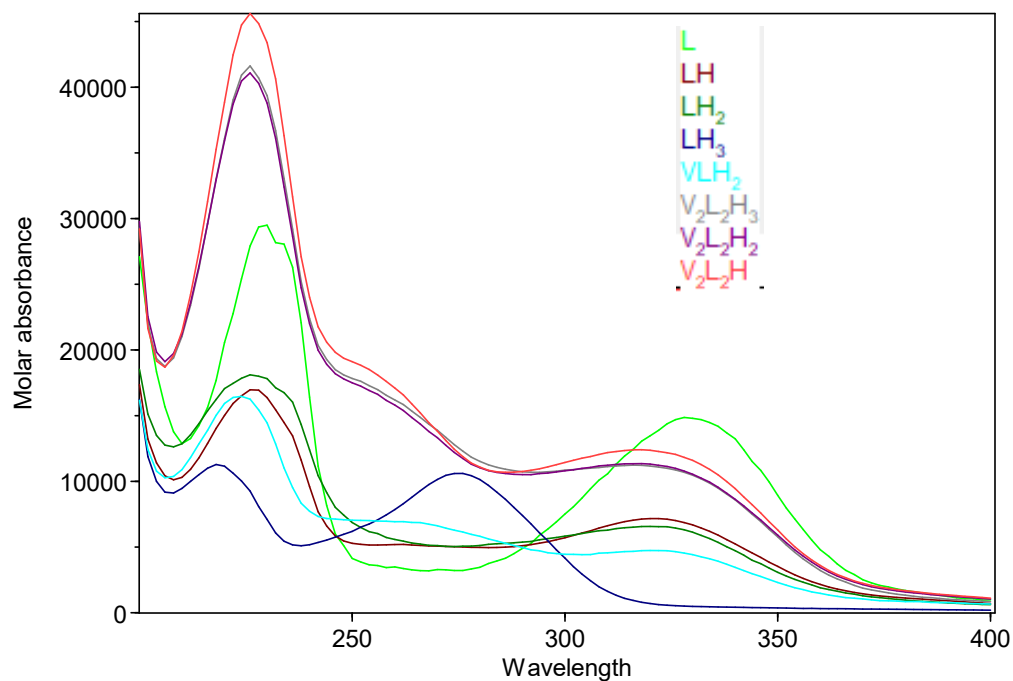


Figure S12. Molar absorptivity of $V^{IV}O^{2+}$ -L9 at 1:1 $V^{IV}O^{2+}$:ligand molar ratio at ligand concentration 3×10^{-4} M.

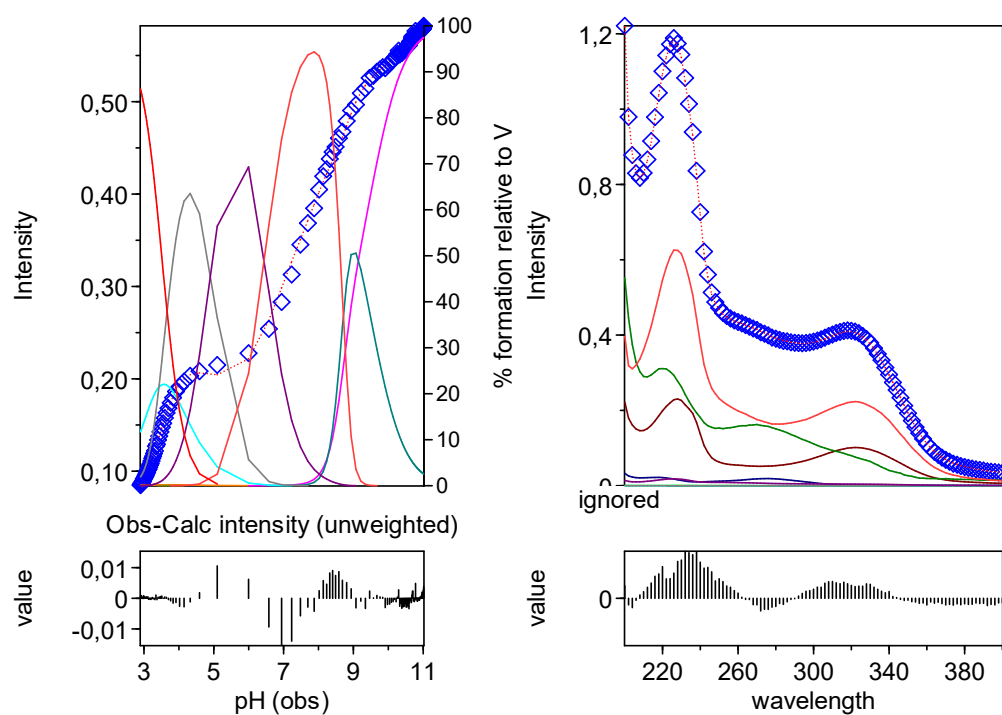


Figure S13. Molar absorptivity of $V^{IV}O^{2+}$ -L9 at 1:1 $V^{IV}O^{2+}$:ligand molar ratio at ligand concentration 3×10^{-4} M.

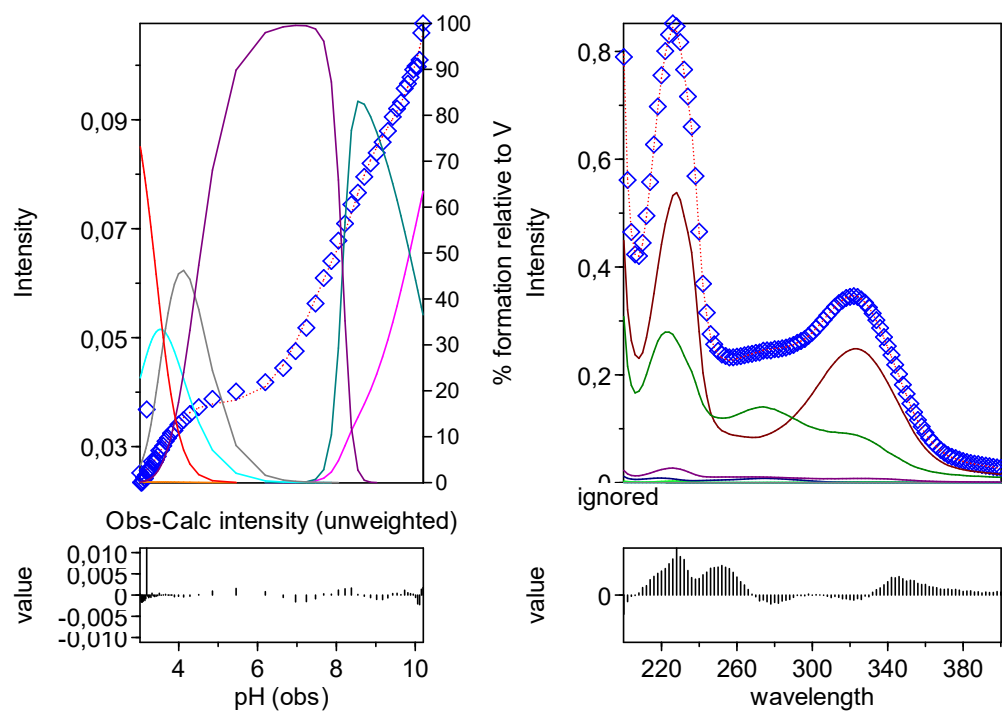


Figure S14. UV titration of $V^{IV}O^{2+}$ -L9 at 1:4 $V^{IV}O^{2+}$:ligand molar ratio at ligand concentration 3×10^{-4} M: HypSpec screenshot. $\lambda = 364$ nm, pH 8.38.

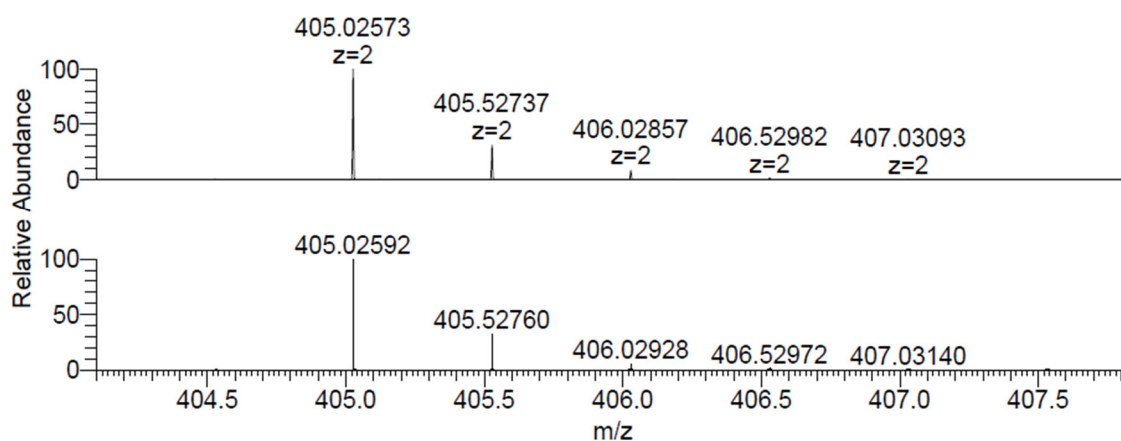


Figure S15. Experimental (top) and calculated (bottom) isotopic pattern for the peak of $[(V^{IV}O)_2(L4)_2+2H]^{2+}$ detected in the ESI-MS(+) spectrum of the system $V^{IV}O^{2+}$ -L4 at 1:1 molar ratio (LC-MS H_2O , ligand concentration $50 \mu M$).

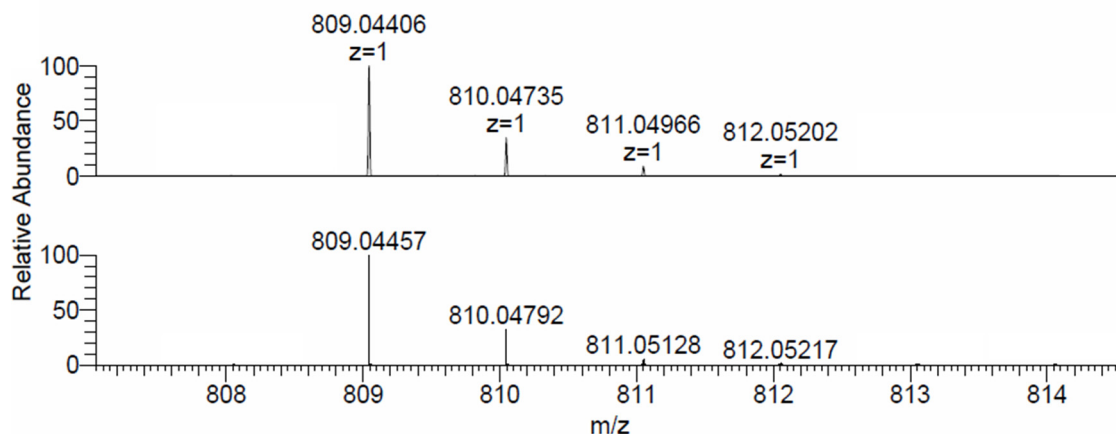


Figure S16. Experimental (top) and calculated (bottom) isotopic pattern for the peak of $[(V^{IV}O)_2(L4)_2+H]^+$ detected in the ESI-MS(+) spectrum of the system $V^{IV}O^{2+}$ -L4 at 1:1 molar ratio (LC-MS H_2O , ligand concentration 50 μM).

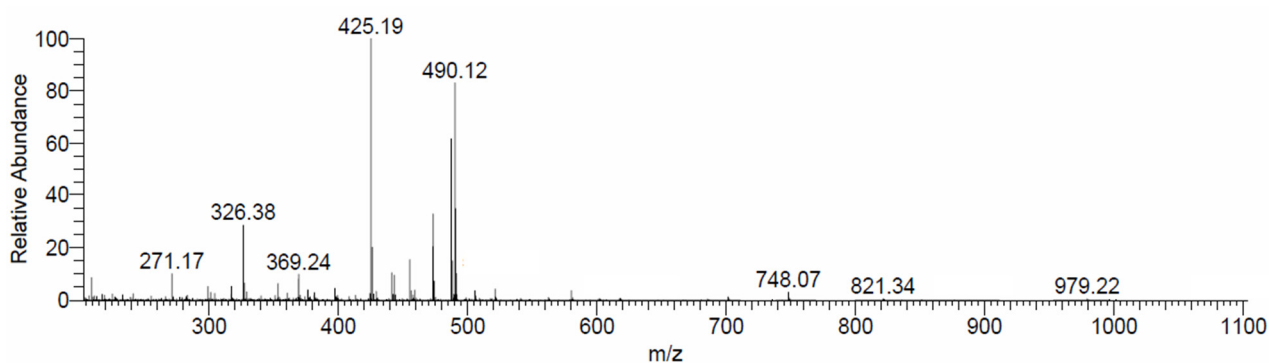


Figure S17. ESI-MS(+) spectrum recorded on the system $V^{IV}O^{2+}$ -L9 at 1:1 molar ratio (LC-MS MeOH, ligand concentration 5 μM).

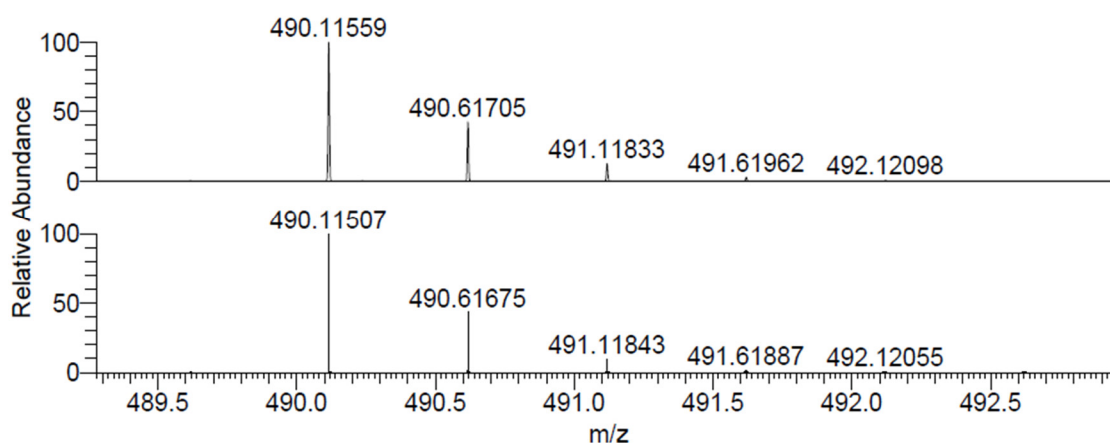


Figure S18. Experimental (top) and calculated (bottom) isotopic pattern for the peak of $[(V^{IV}O)_2(L9)_2+2H]^{2+}$ detected in the ESI-MS(+) spectrum of the system $V^{IV}O^{2+}$ -L9 at 1:1 molar ratio (LC-MS MeOH, ligand concentration 5 μM).

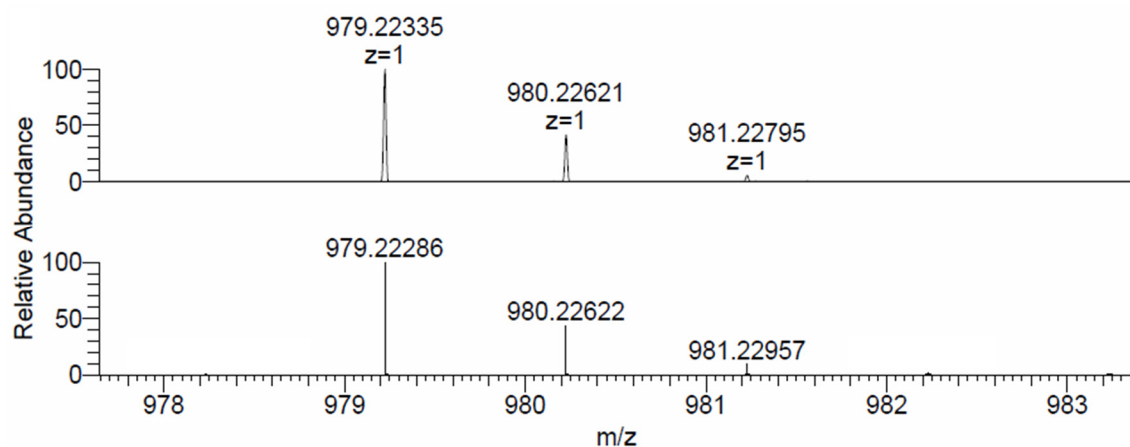


Figure S19. Experimental (top) and calculated (bottom) isotopic pattern for the peak of $[(V^{IV}O)_2(L9)_2+H]^+$ detected in the ESI-MS(+) spectrum of the system $V^{IV}O^{2+}$ -L9 at 1:1 molar ratio (LC-MS MeOH, ligand concentration 5 μ M).

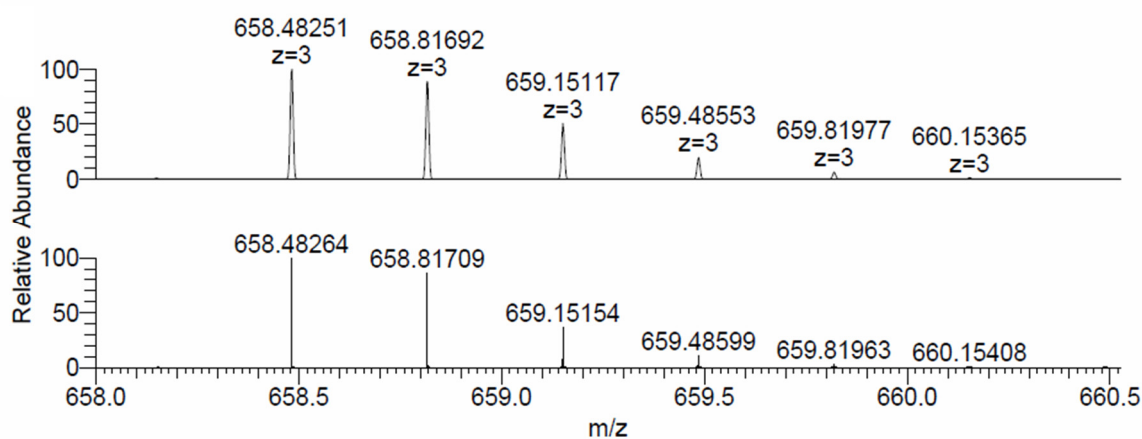


Figure S20. Experimental (top) and calculated (bottom) isotopic pattern for the peak of $[(V_2O_3)(V^{IV}O_2)_2(L9)_4+3H]^{3+}$ detected in the ESI-MS(+) spectrum of the system $V^{IV}O^{2+}$ -L9 at 1:1 molar ratio (LC-MS H_2O , ligand concentration 50 μ M).

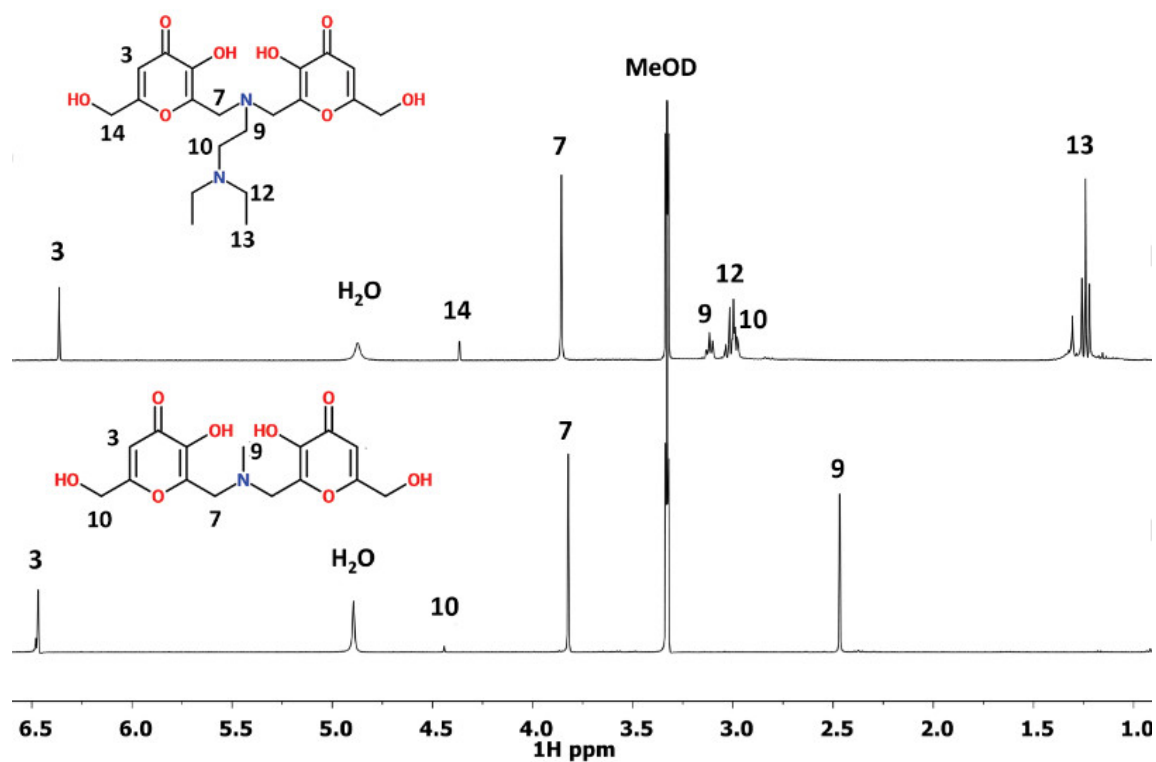


Figure S21. 1D ¹H NMR spectra of free ligands L4 (bottom) and L9 (top) in MeOD.

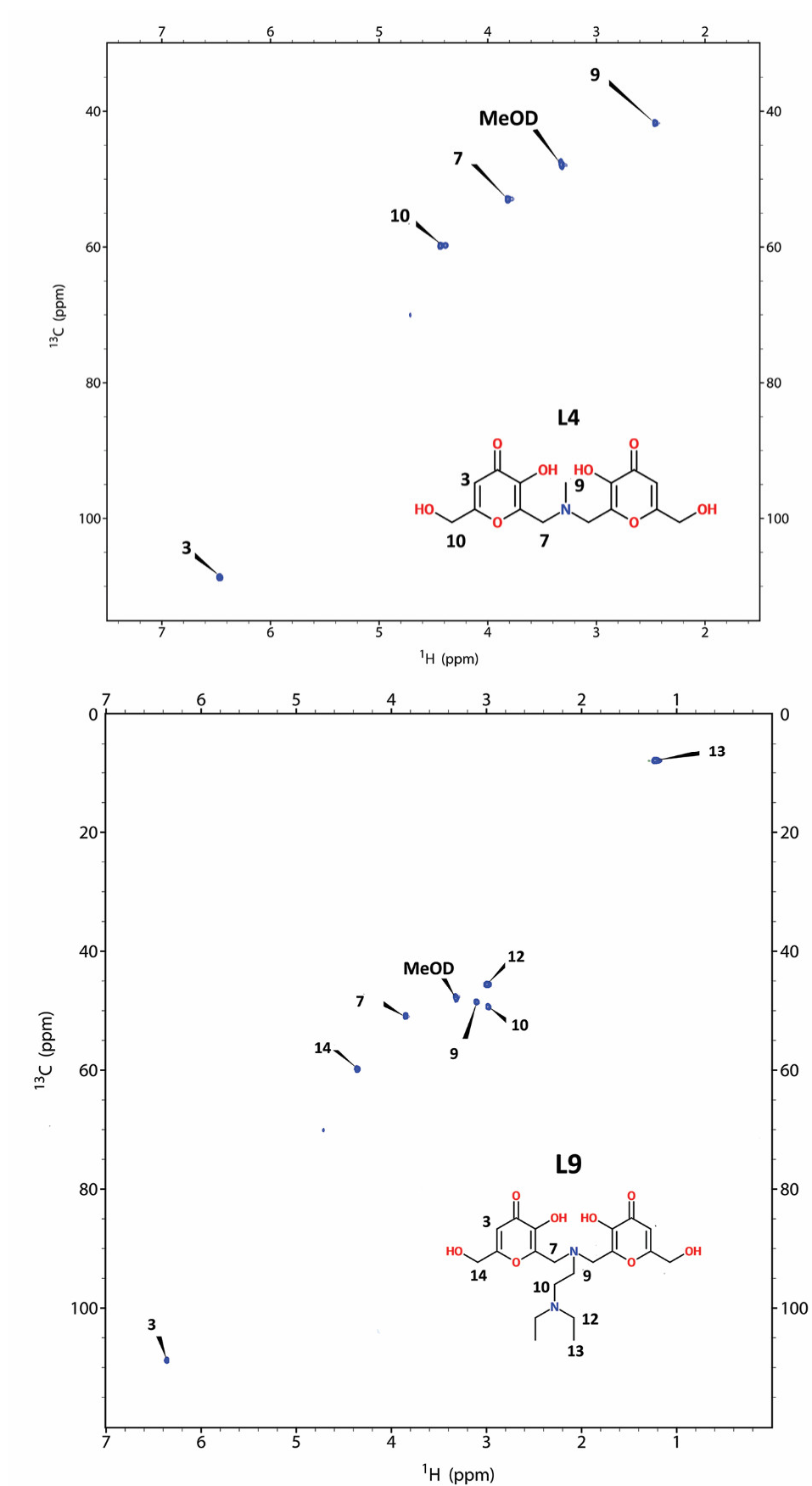


Figure S22. NMR HSQC of L4 and L9 ligands in MeOD.

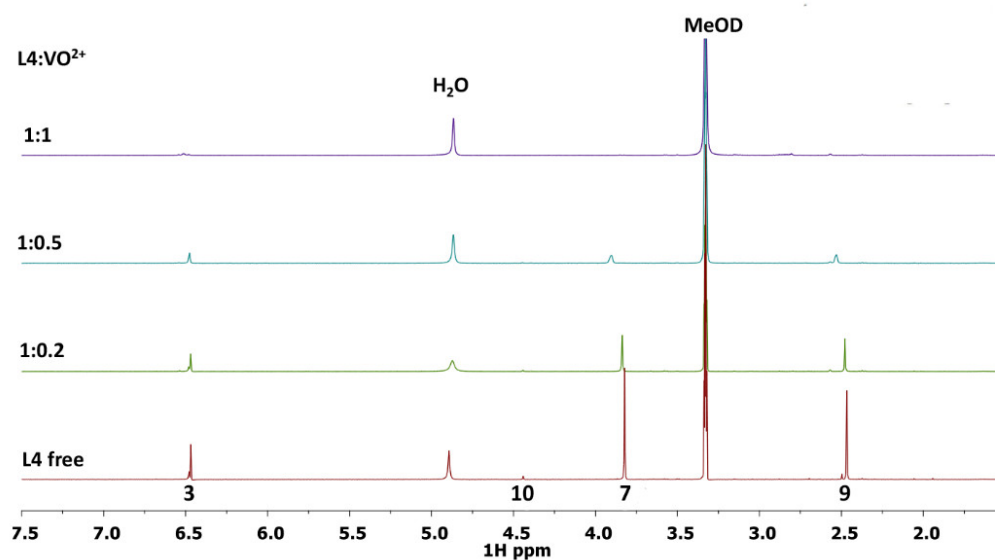


Figure S23. 1D ^1H NMR spectra of L4- $\text{V}^{\text{IVO}}\text{O}_2^+$ system in MeOD at different L4: $\text{V}^{\text{IVO}}\text{O}_2^+$ ratios.

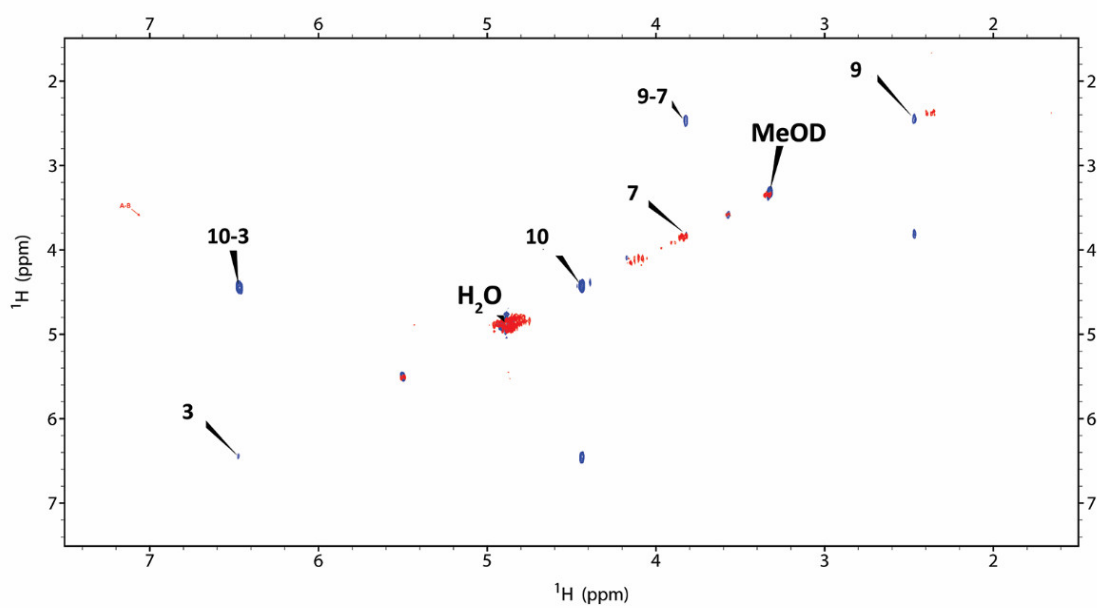


Figure S24. Comparison of 2D ^1H - ^1H NMR COSY spectra of L4 free (blue) and L4- $\text{V}^{\text{IVO}}\text{O}_2^+$ (red) systems in MeOD solution.