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Dynamic-NMR and Quantum-Chemical Study of the Stereochemistry and Stability of the Chiral MoO₂(acac)₂ Complex in Solution

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Supplementary Information

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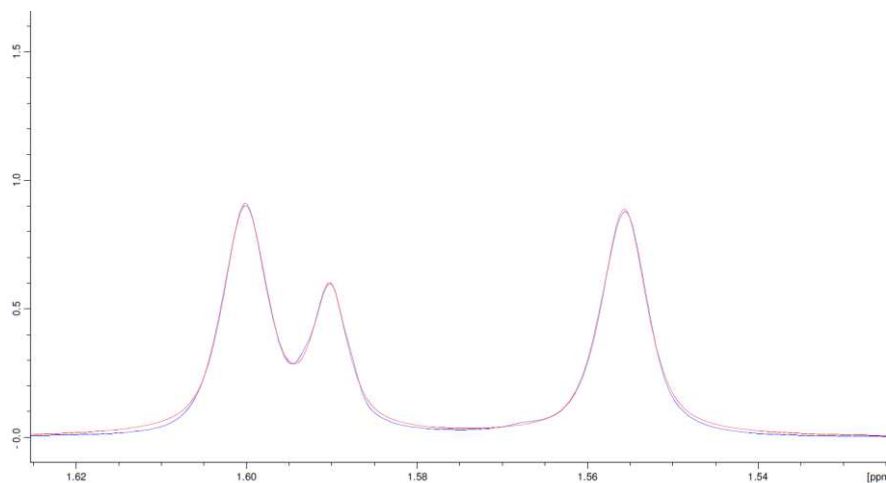


Figure S1. 500 MHz ^1H NMR, representative of a line broadening fitting for $\text{MoO}_2\text{acac}_2$ solution in benzene (C_6D_6 , 10^{-2} M) at 315 K using a mixed shape Gaussian and Lorentzian function. Blue line: original spectrum; red line: fitted spectrum. Peaks left to right (δ , ppm): 1.60 (3H, s, CH_3), from bound acac signal A, 1.59 free Hacac ($2 \times 3\text{H}$, s, CH_3) and 1.55 (3H, s, CH_3), from bound acac signal B.

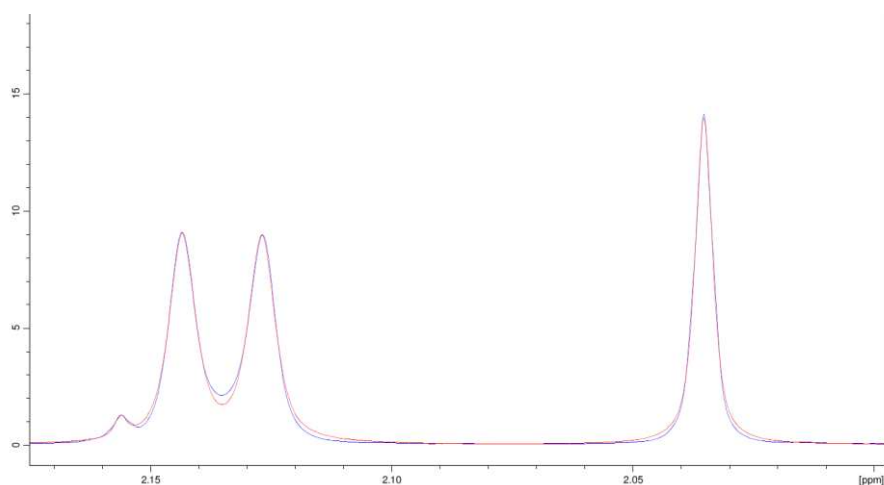


Figure S2. 500 MHz ^1H NMR, representative of a line broadening fitting for $\text{MoO}_2(\text{acac})_2$ solution in chloroform (CDCl_3 , 10^{-2} M) at 305 K using a mixed shape Gaussian and Lorentzian function. Blue line: original spectrum; red line: fitted spectrum. Peaks left to right (δ , ppm): 2.14 (3H, s, CH_3), from bound acac signal A, 2.13 (3H, s, CH_3), from bound acac signal B, and 2.03 free Hacac ($2 \times 3\text{H}$, s, CH_3).

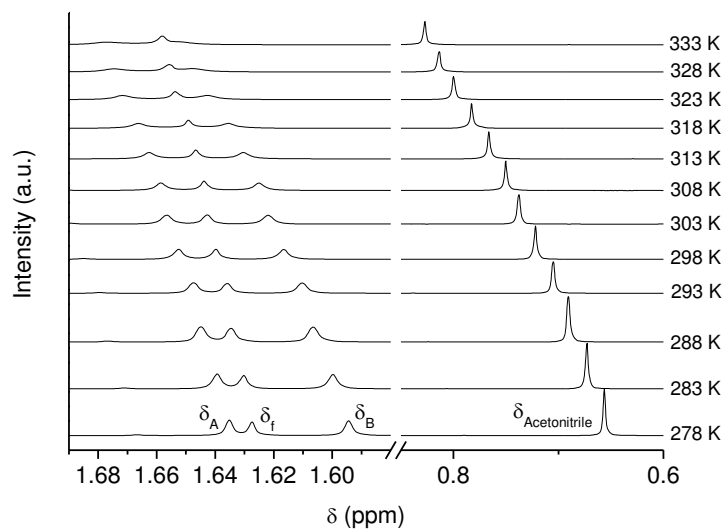


Figure S3. 500 MHz ^1H NMR, for $\text{MoO}_2(\text{acac})_2$ solution in toluene (C_7D_8 , 10^{-2} M) from 278 K to 333 K. last fitted point at 328 K due to free Hacac signal overlap with bound acac. Peaks left to right (δ , ppm): δ_A (3H, s, CH_3), from bound acac signal A, δ_f free Hacac ($2 \times 3\text{H}$, s, CH_3), δ_B (3H, s, CH_3), from bound acac signal B, and $\delta_{\text{Acetonitrile}}$ from CH_3CN internal standard.

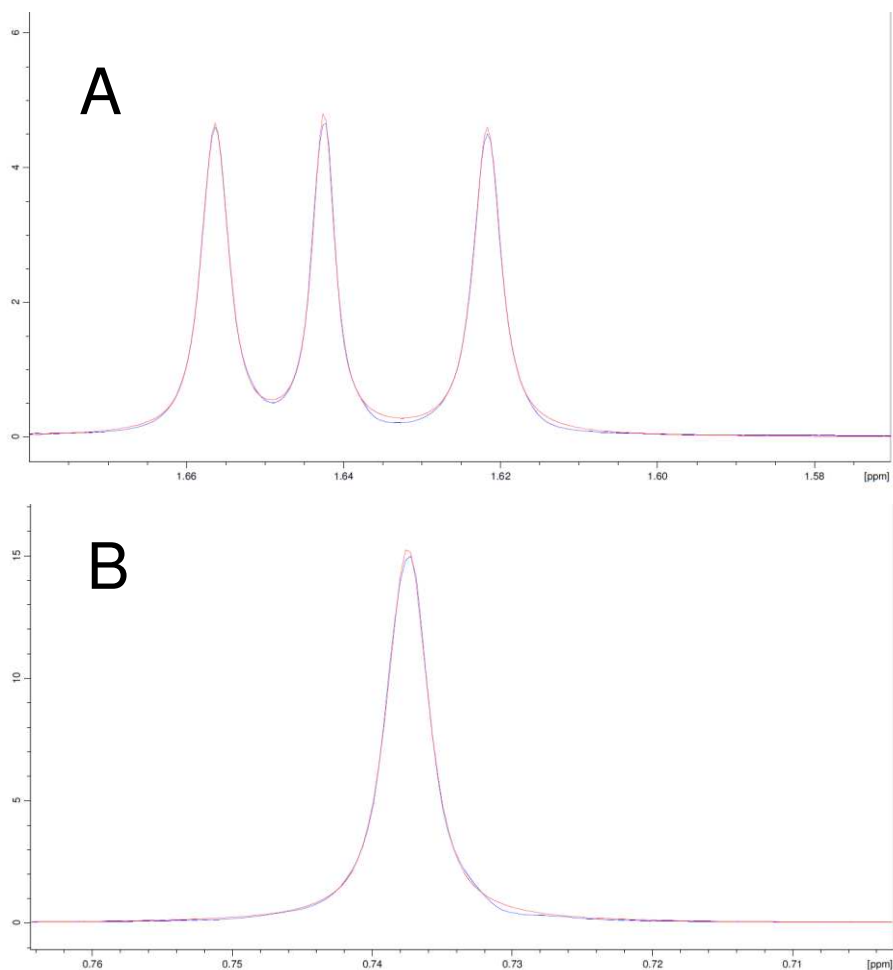


Figure S4. 500 MHz ¹H NMR, representative of a line broadening fitting for MoO₂(acac)₂ solution in toluene (C₇D₈, 10⁻² M) at 303 K using a mixed shape Gaussian and Lorentzian function. Blue line: original spectrum; red line: fitted spectrum. (A) Peaks left to right (δ, ppm): 1.66 (3H, s, CH₃), from bound acac signal A, 1.64 free Hacac (2 × 3H, s, CH₃) and 1.62 (3H, s, CH₃), from bound acac signal B. (B) 0.74, signal of CH₃CN internal standard.

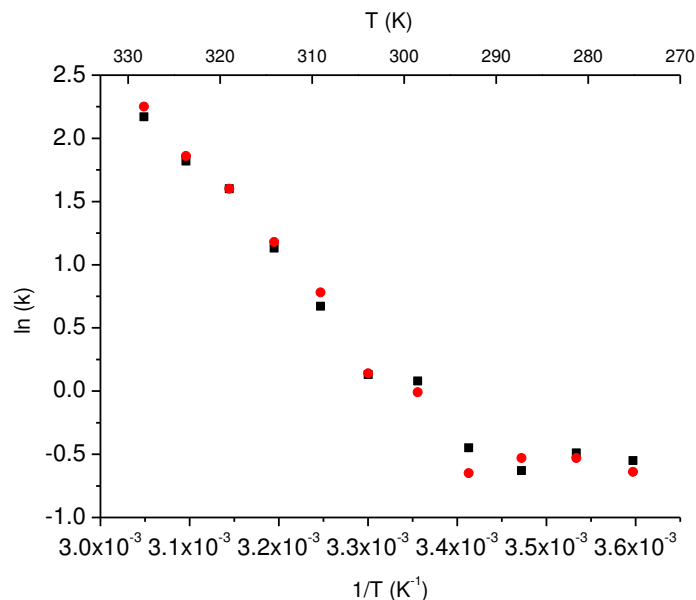


Figure S5. $\ln(k)$ versus $1/T$ for the equilibrium of $\text{MoO}_2(\text{acac})_2$ in toluene (C_7D_8) solution from 278 to 328 K. Data from line broadening analysis using: (■) free Hacac ligand as internal standard, and (●) CH_3CN as internal standard in the same sample. A linear correlation is observed for the range 290-330K. However, below 290 K no significant changes in line broadening are observed.

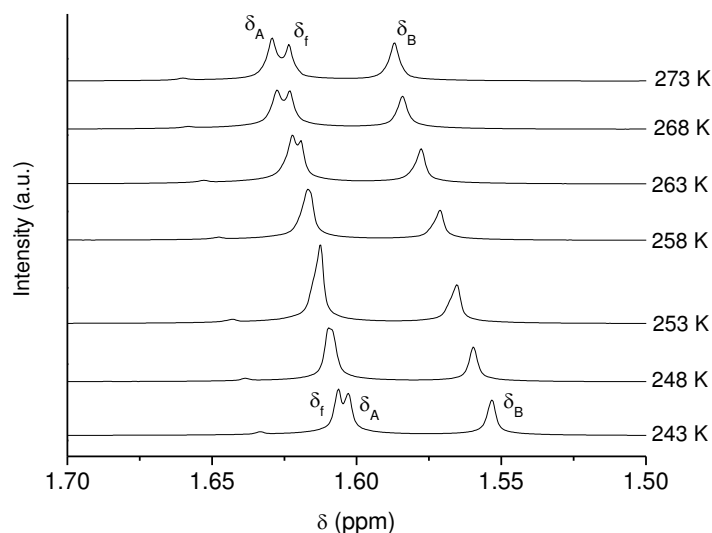


Figure S6. 500 MHz ^1H NMR, for $\text{MoO}_2(\text{acac})_2$ solution in toluene (C_7D_8 , 10^{-2} M) from 273 K to 243 K. Please note the shift and peak signal inversion of the free Hacac by cooling the solution. For the signal at 273K, peaks left to right (δ , ppm): δ_A (3H, s, CH_3), from bound acac signal A, δ_f free Hacac ($2 \times 3\text{H}$, s, CH_3), δ_B (3H, s, CH_3), from bound acac signal B.

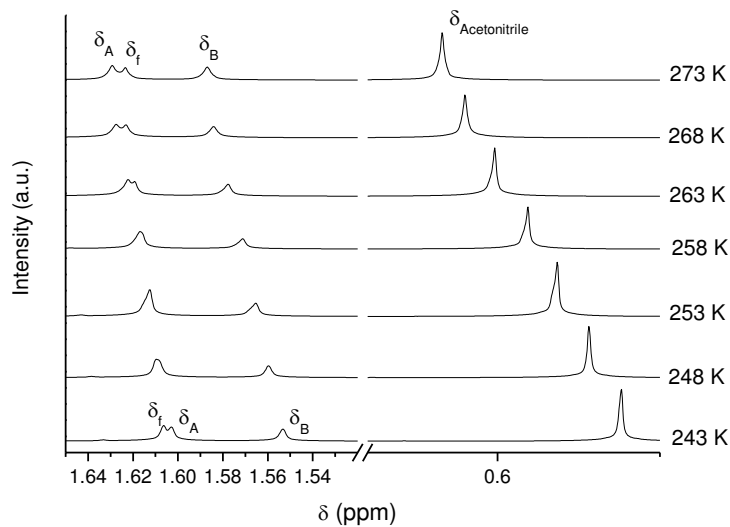


Figure S7. 500 MHz ^1H NMR, for $\text{MoO}_2(\text{acac})_2$ solution in toluene (C_7D_8 , 10^{-2} M) from 273 K to 243 K. Scale expanded with respect to Figure S5 to show the presence of acetonitrile. For the signal at 273K, peaks left to right (δ , ppm): δ_A (3H, s, CH_3), from bound acac signal A, δ_f free Hacac ($2 \times 3\text{H}$, s, CH_3), δ_B (3H, s, CH_3), from bound acac signal B, and $\delta_{\text{Acetonitrile}}$ from CH_3CN internal standard.

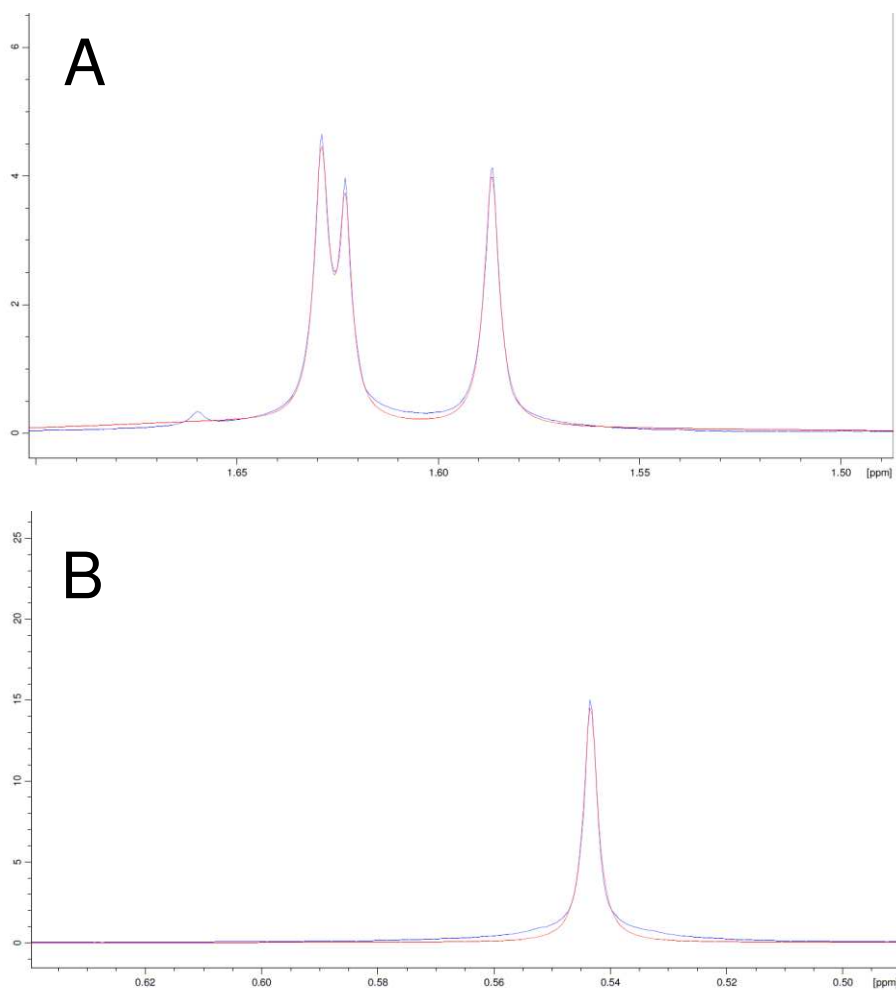


Figure S8. 500 MHz ¹H NMR, representative of a line broadening fitting for MoO₂(acac)₂ solution in toluene (C₇D₈, 10⁻² M) at 268 K using a mixed shape Gaussian and Lorentzian function. Blue line: original spectrum; red line: fitted spectrum. (A) Peaks left to right (δ, ppm): 1.63 (3H, s, CH₃), from bound acac signal A, 1.62 free Hacac (2 × 3H, s, CH₃) and 1.59 (3H, s, CH₃), from bound acac signal B. (B) 0.54, signal of CH₃CN internal standard.

b) Optimized SOGGA11X geometries with 6-31G+** and modified LANL2DZ on Mo (Cartesian, in Ångstrom, only symmetry unique atoms are given; in GAMESS format: label, charge, coordinates):

(i) Ground state, C_2 symmetry:

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(ii) Transition state TS1, C_{2v} symmetry:

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Data collected using a Varian A60 HA-100 spectrometer operating at 60 MHz. ‘...’ entries are reported as in the original paper.

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