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# Microperoxidase-11

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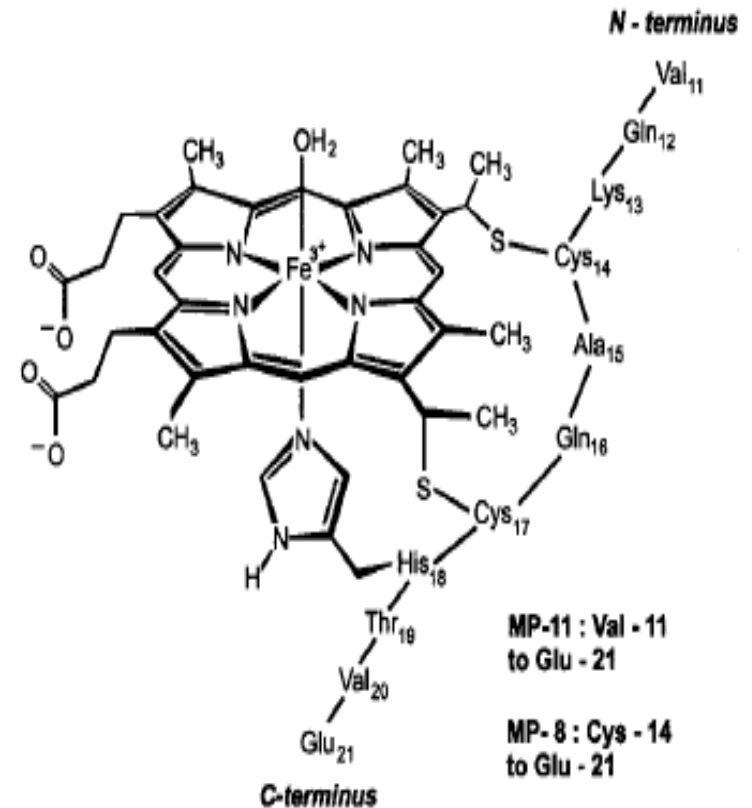
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# Microperoxidases (MP)

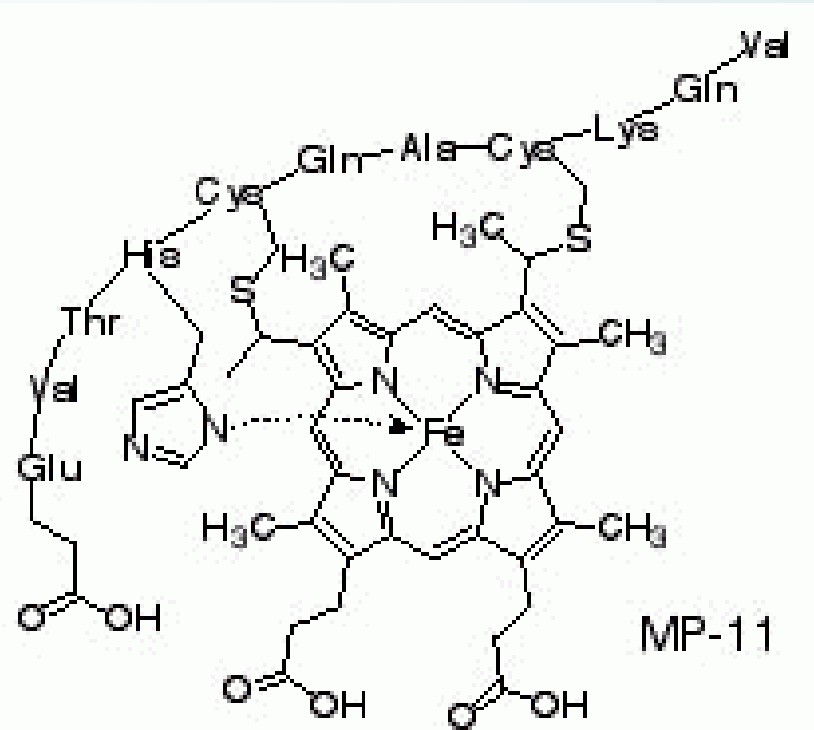
- A group of heme peptides derived from proteolysis of cytochrome c
- Intact iron heme-center connected to polypeptide by two thioether bridges
- MP-8 and MP-11 retain their iron at  $\text{pH} > 3.4$
- Reduce  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  and other compounds
- MP-8 studied extensively, but study is often complicated by self-dimerization
- MP-11 aggregates less than MP-8 and holds promise for future study



Microperoxidase	$K_D$
MP-8	$11.7 \times 10^4 \text{ M}^{-1}$
MP-11 (pH 6.5)	$5.2 \times 10^4 \text{ M}^{-1}$

# Microperoxidase-11

- Microperoxidase-11 (MP-11) is 1.9 kDa oligopeptide obtained by proteolysis of cytochrome c by trypsin.
- MP-11 contains the active-site (heme undecapeptide) of cytochrome c and although they are similar structure, they have different redox properties.\*



	$E^{\circ}$
Cytochrome C	+12 mV
MP-11 (pH 6.5)	-400 mV

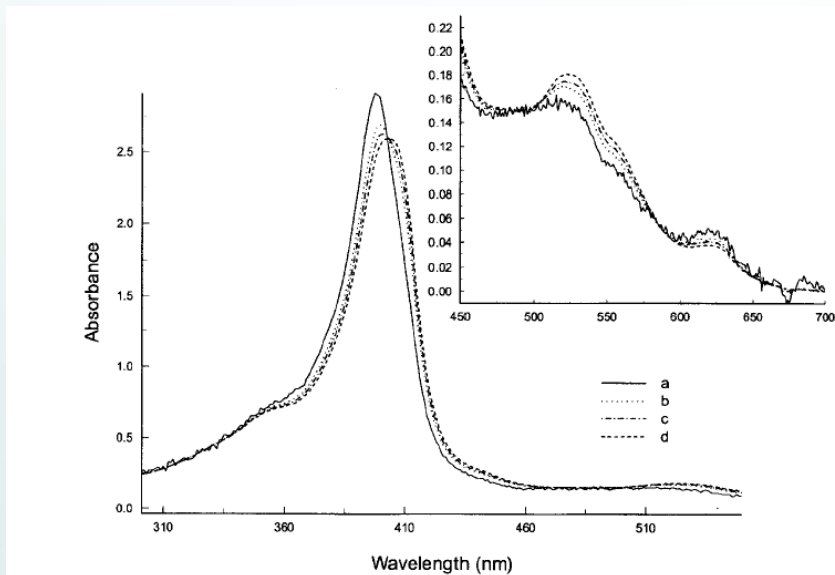
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# Detection

(Marques *et al.* 1999)

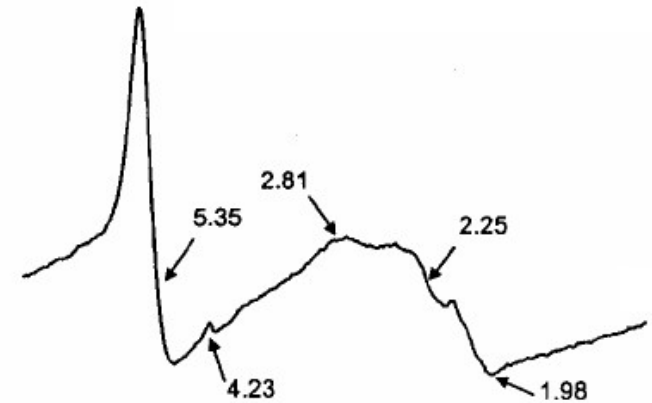
## UV-Visible Spectroscopy

Property	Value
Monomer Absorbivity, $\epsilon_M$	$1.48 \times 10^5 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}$
Dimer Absorbivity, $\epsilon_D$	$1.21 \times 10^5 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}$
Dimerization Constant, $K_D$	$5.2 \times 10^4 \text{ M}^{-1}$



At pH 6.5 the absorbance spectrum for MP-11 varies with MP-11 concentration: (a)  $0.55 \mu\text{M}$ , (b)  $4.4 \mu\text{M}$ , (c)  $9.3 \mu\text{M}$ , and (d)  $18.9 \mu\text{M}$ .

## EPR



EPR spectra of N-Acetyl-MP-11 at pH 7.6. This spectrum also varies with pH.

# Redox Activity

Moore *et al.* 1996 and Lotzbeyer *et al.* 1994

The redox potential of MP-11 differs depending upon solvent.

Solvent	$E^{\circ}$ (mV)
H <sub>2</sub> O	- 398
Acetonitrile	- 290
Ethanol	- 286
DMSO	- 270

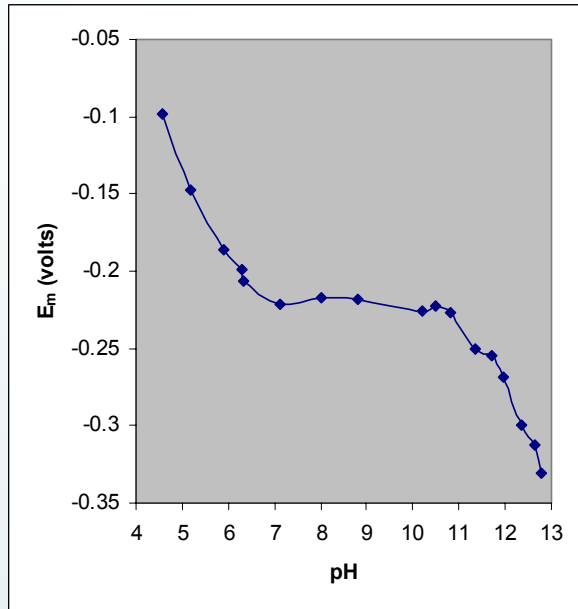
MP-11 is so small that it can easily assemble as a monolayer on surfaces such as gold electrodes. Electron reduction potentials can be measured from these monolayer attachments.

The MP-11 redox process includes transition of the heme-iron between Fe(III) and Fe (II). In aqueous solution, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> is reduced via Fe(IV) intermediate species. This intermediate does not exist in non-aqueous conditions.

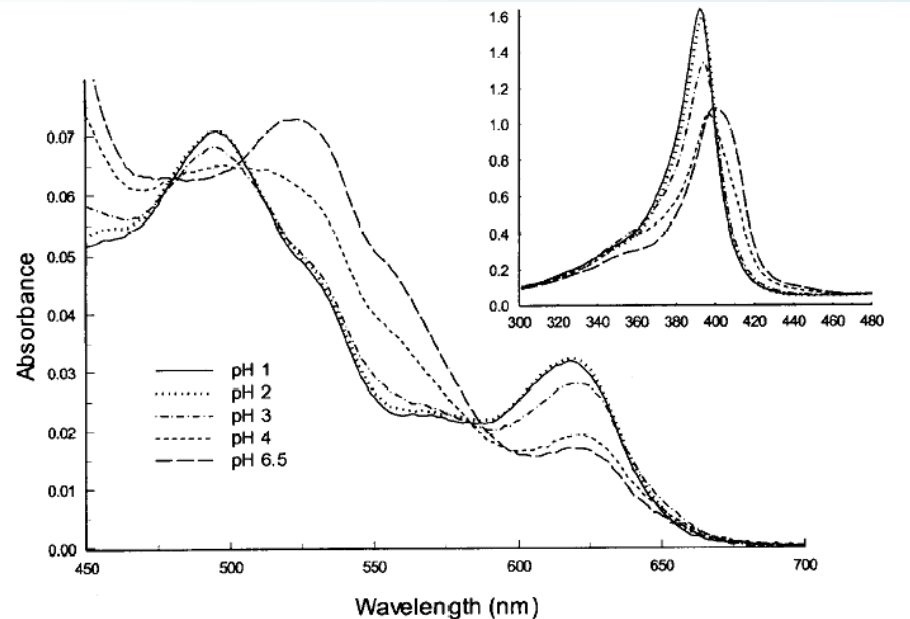
- (1)  $[\text{heme-Fe(III)}] + \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 \rightarrow [\text{heme-Fe(IV)=O}]^{\cdot+} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$
- (2)  $[\text{heme-Fe(IV)=O}]^{\cdot+} + e^- + \text{H}^+ \rightarrow [\text{heme-Fe(IV)-OH}]$
- (3)  $[\text{heme-Fe(IV)-OH}] + e^- + \text{H}^+ \rightarrow [\text{heme-Fe(III)}]$

# pH Dependence

The reduction potential of MP-11 is dependent on pH.

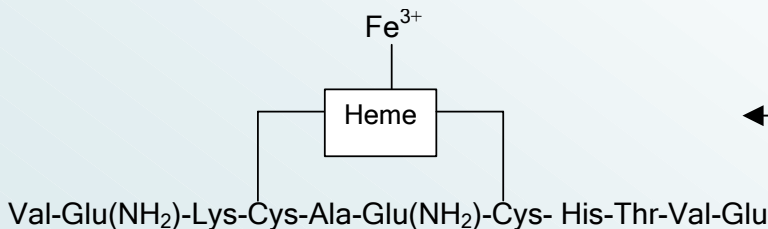


The UV-visible absorbance of MP-11 is dependent on pH.



Harbury HA, Loach PA. (1960) *J Biol Chem.* **235**:3640-3645.

Marques et al. (1999) *J Inorg Biochem.* **75**: 281-291.



← The pKa values for the peptide are 3.4, 5.8 and 7.6 which are related to protonation the imidazole group of histidine, and the  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ - amino groups of lysine.

Wilson MT, Ranson RJ. (1977) *Eur J Biochem.* **77**:193-199.



# Reaction with Nitric Oxide

(Sharma *et al.* 1983)

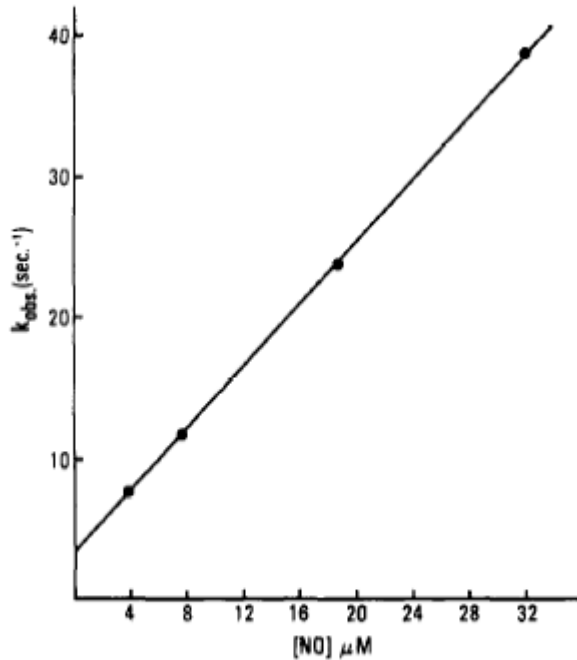
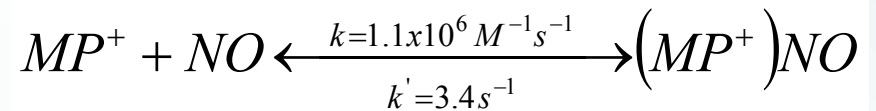


FIGURE 8: Observed rates plotted against [NO] for the reaction of NO with ferric microperoxidase.  $\lambda = 420 \text{ nm}$ ; 0.1 M Bis-Tris, pH 7.0;  $[\text{MP}^+] = 0.5 \mu\text{M}$  after mixing.

Microperoxidase reacts with nitric oxide with similar rate constants to those of other heme containing proteins like myoglobin (Mb<sup>+</sup>) and hemoglobin (Hb<sup>+</sup>).

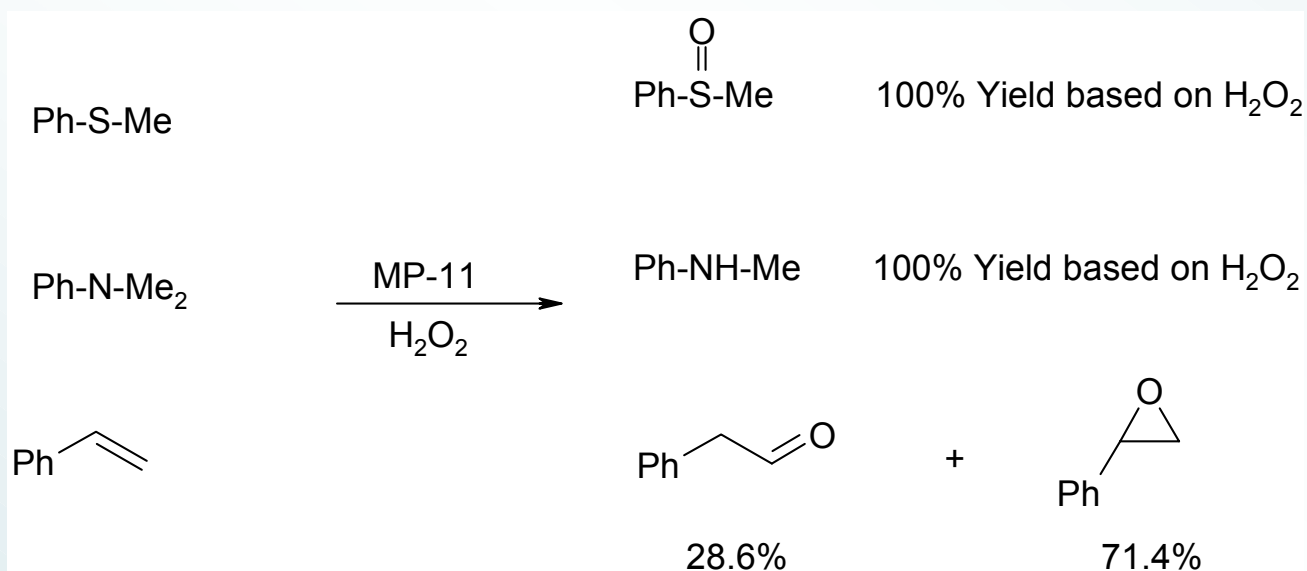


Sample	On [ $k$ ( $\text{M}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$ )]	Off [ $k'$ ( $\text{s}^{-1}$ )]
Mb <sup>+</sup>	$5.3 \times 10^4$	14
Hb <sup>+</sup> OP $\alpha$ -chains	$1.3 \times 10^6$	13
Hb <sup>+</sup> OP $\beta$ -chains	$1.68 \times 10^4$	2.9
MP <sup>+</sup>	$1.1 \times 10^6$	3.4

# Oxidation of Phenolics

(Mashino *et al.* 1990)

MP-11 oxidizes phenolic compounds in the presence of hydrogen peroxide:  
Methylphenyl sulfide, N,N-dimethyl-aniline, and olefins.



# Interactions with Lipid Membrane

Huang *et al.* 2001

DDAB lipids bind to MP-11 causing a conformational change that can be seen through cyclic voltammetry (CV), UV-Visible spectrometry and far-UV circular dichroism (CD spectra).

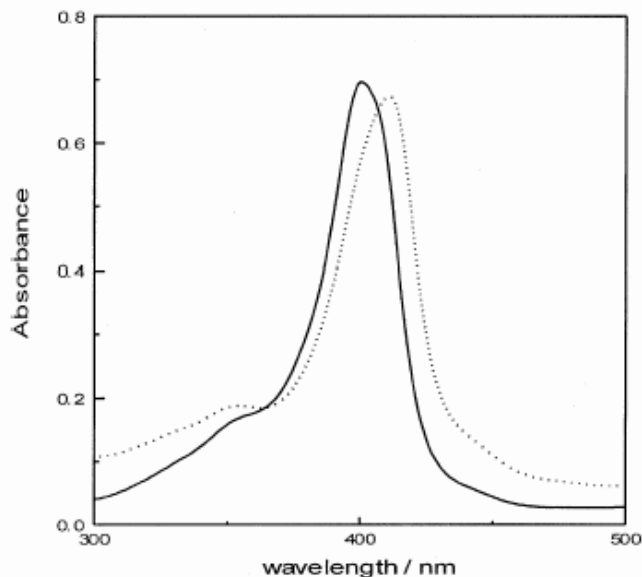


Fig. 4. UV-Vis absorption spectra of MP11 in pH 6.9 phosphate buffer (solid line) and when bound to DDAB vesicles (dotted line), MP11 4.3  $\mu\text{M}$ , DDAB 44  $\mu\text{M}$ . Spectra were obtained at room temperature (25°C), cell path lengths of 1 cm.

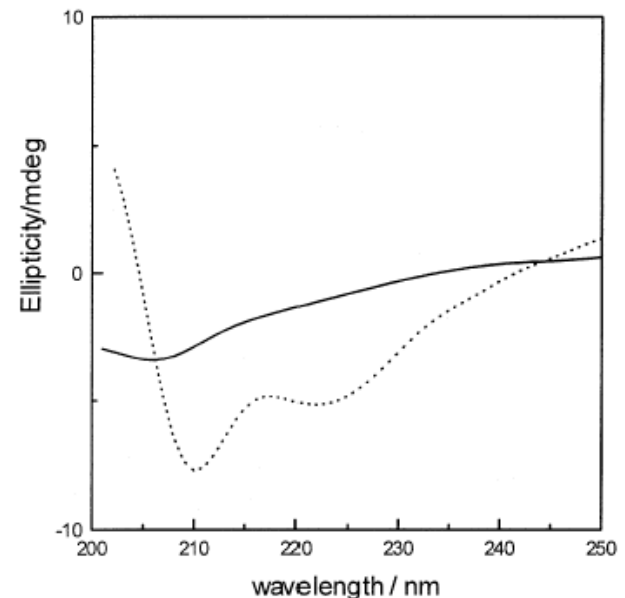


Fig. 5. Far-UV CD spectra of MP11 in pH 6.9 phosphate buffer (solid line) and when bound to DDAB vesicles (dotted line), MP11 14  $\mu\text{M}$ , DDAB 100  $\mu\text{M}$ . Spectra were obtained at room temperature (25°C), cell path lengths of 1 cm; 4 scans were averaged per spectrum.

# MP-11 and Au Electrodes

(Narvaez *et al.* 1997)

MP-11 attaches to a cystamine monolayer on a gold (Au) electrode in two ways: the peptide or the carboxylic end of the heme group can associate with the cystamine.

The voltammograms of the electrode are shown below.

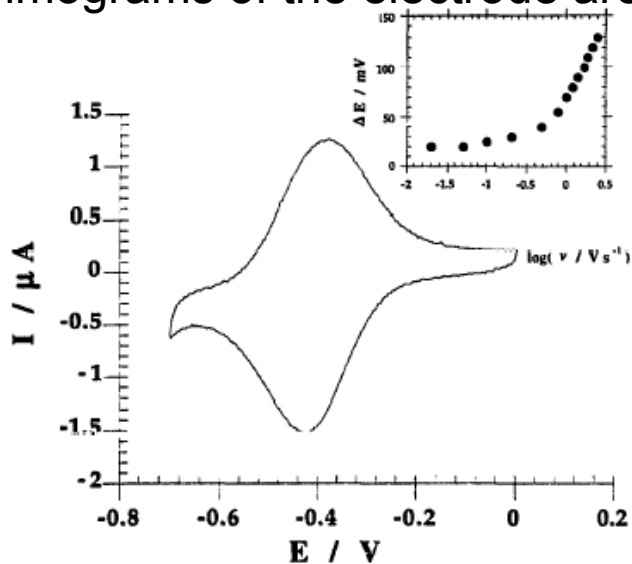
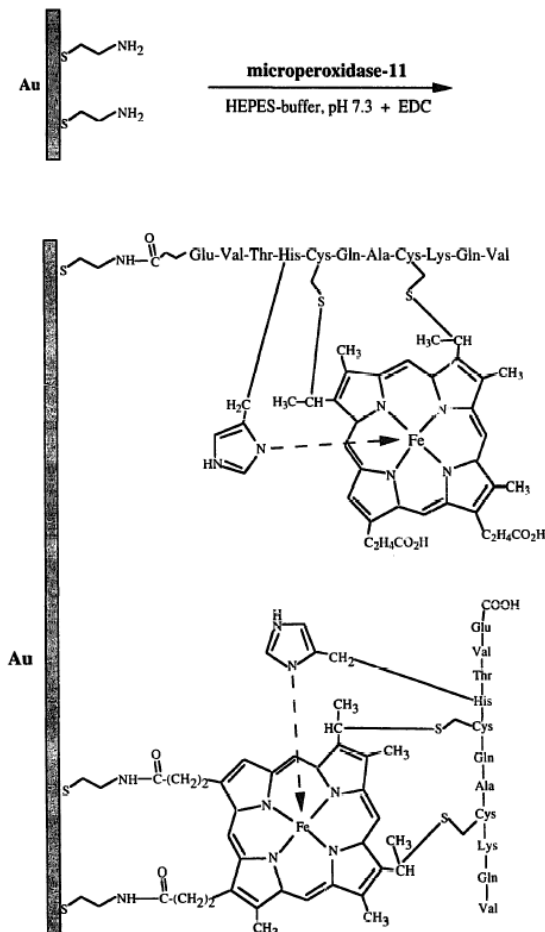
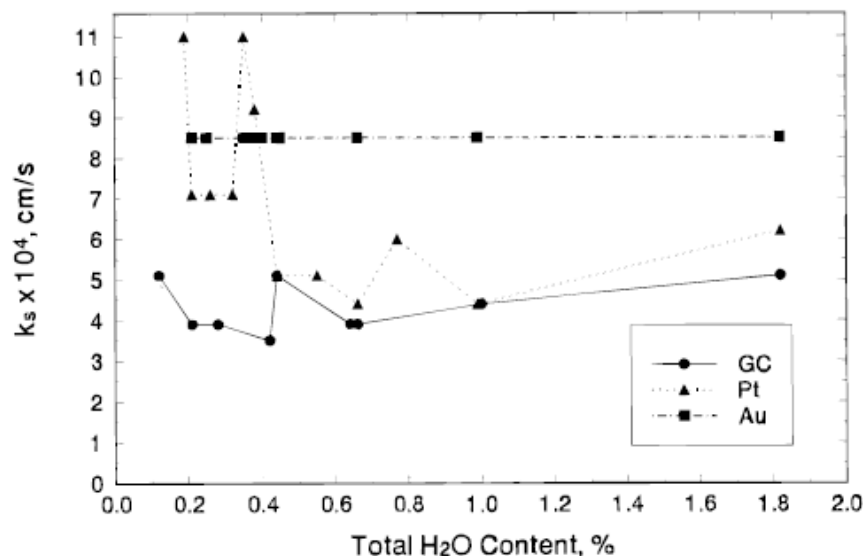


Fig. 1. Cyclic voltammograms of the microperoxidase-11 monolayer electrode, scan rate  $100 \text{ mV s}^{-1}$ ; background electrolyte  $0.05 \text{ M}$ ; phosphate buffer;  $\text{pH} = 7.0$ . Inset: Peak-to-peak separation of CV waves as a function of scan-rate.



# MP-11 in non-aqueous environment

(Mabrouk *et al.* 1996)

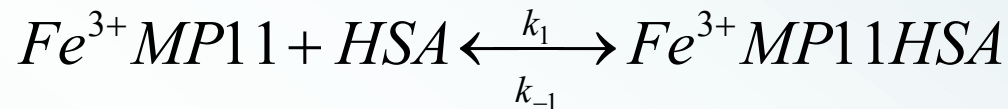


**Figure 2.** Heterogeneous electron transfer rate constant,  $k_s'$ , versus the total water content represented as a percent for  $\sim 3$  mM im-MP-11 in dimethyl sulfoxide solutions at Au (■), Pt (▲), and GC (●).  $k_s'$  was calculated using Nicholson's method<sup>8</sup> from background-subtracted data at 20 mV/s and assuming  $n = 1$ ,  $T = 25$  °C, and  $\alpha = 0.5$ . Each datum represents the analysis of a new sample after the electrode substrate was cleaned.

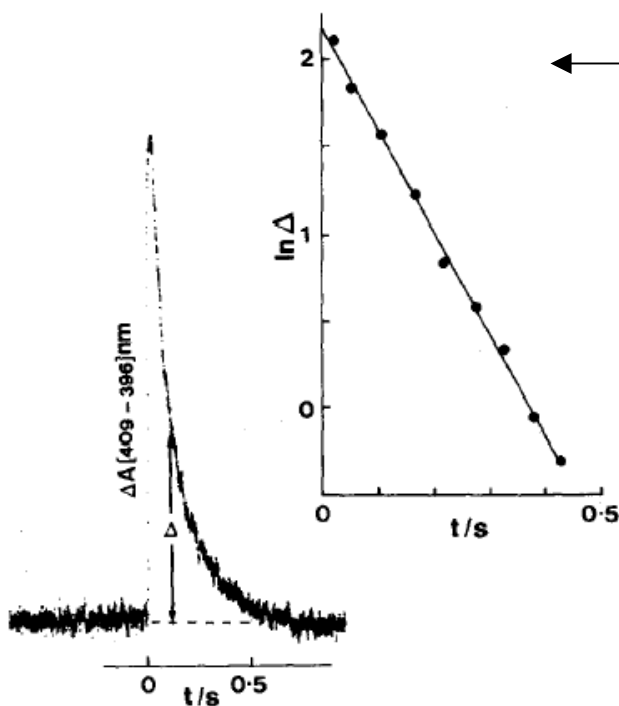
- Cyclic voltammetry is a tool that has been used to study the electron transfer between imidazole-MP-11 compounds and gold (Au), platinum (Pt), and Glassy Carbon (GC) in DMSO.
- Low concentrations of water have little effect on MP-11 electron transfer rates constant for Au and GC.
- These same concentrations have a large effect on the rate constant for electron transfer rates between MP-11 and Pt.

# Interaction with Serum Albumin

(Adams *et al.* 1993)



In 13 wt% aqueous methanol (MeOH) at pH 7.5, the pseudo first order reaction rate constant ( $k_{obs}$ ) of 2.5  $\mu$ M MP-11 and 100  $\mu$ M Human Serum Albumin (HSA) is determined to be 5.76  $s^{-1}$ .

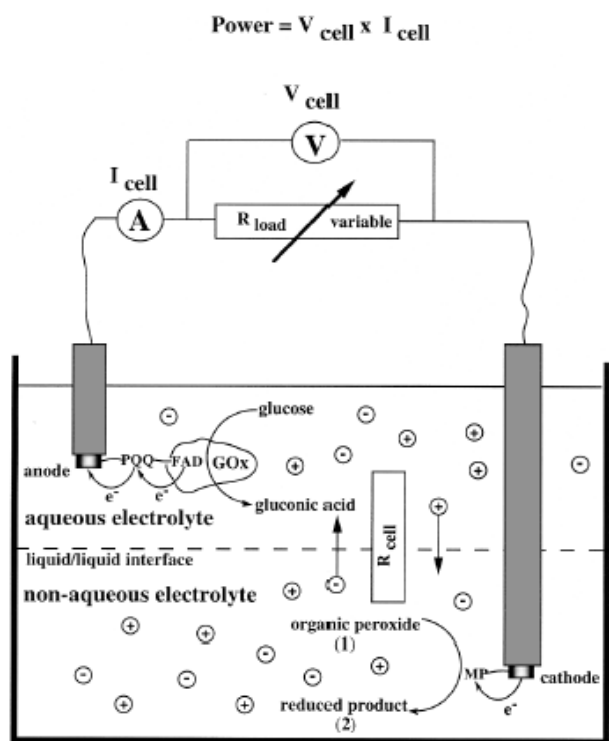


$X_{MeOH}$ (wt%)	$k_1$	$k_{-1}$
0	$590 M^{-1}s^{-1}$	$0.0095 s^{-1}$
0.13	$1370 M^{-1}s^{-1}$	$5.94 s^{-1}$

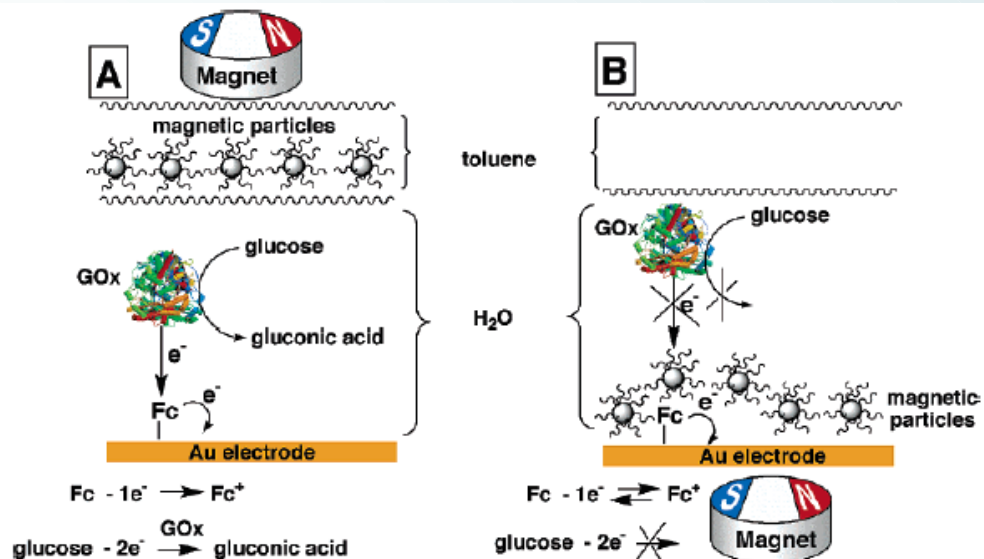
The rate constant for the formation of MP-11HSA is just more than doubled over the range of MeOH concentration while the rate constant for the dissociation of this complex is increased by nearly 600-fold over the same range of MeOH concentrations.

# Applications: Biofuel

Glucose can be used as biofuel. MP-11 immobilized on a Au-electrode surface can catalyze the oxidation of glucose to gluconic acid. Below is the design a fuel cell utilizing this technology.



Katz *et al.* (1999) *New J Chem.* **23**: 481-487.



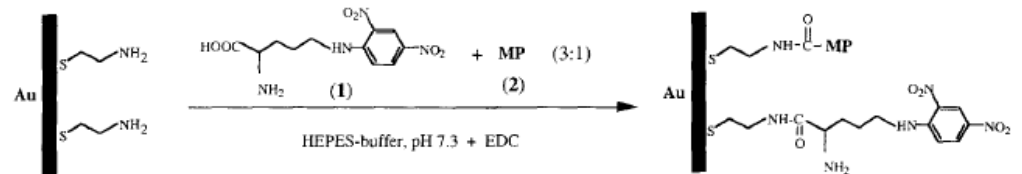
Biofuel consumption can be blocked by magnetic particles: A) The magnetic nanoparticles are retracted from the electrode surface, which is activated toward the ferrocene-mediated bioelectrocatalytic oxidation of glucose. (B) The electrode surface is blocked by the hydrophobic magnetic nanoparticles toward the diffusional bioelectrocatalytic process, while the surface-confined ferrocene is electrochemically active.

Katz *et al.* (2005) *J Am Chem Soc.* **127**: 4060-4070.

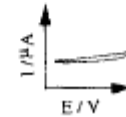
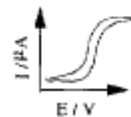
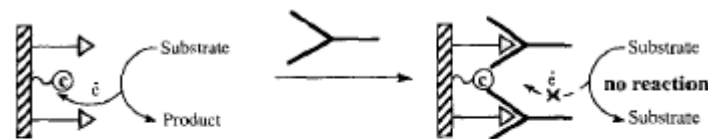
# Applications: Immunosensors

(Katz *et al.* 1996)

- MP-11 and catalyst are arranged in a mixed monolayer on Au-electrode



- Electrochemical sensing of the antigen-antibody is shown. The voltammetry output is clearly different.





# Summary

- Not an “enzyme” but catalyzes numerous reactions
- Can be detected by common spectroscopic methods
- Redox chemistry is pH and solvent dependent
- Reacts with peroxides, phenolic compounds, proteins and lipids
- Potential applications as biofuel and biosensor

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