## **Supporting Information**

## **Periodic Trends in Actinyl Thio-Crown Ether Complexes**

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			AnO <sub>2</sub> (	12TC4) <sup>2+</sup>			$AnO_2(12TC4)_2^{2+}$						
	side-on insertion		side-on		double-decker		insertion		double-decker				
An	Δ	E	ΔΕ		В	E	ΔΕ		ΔΕ		BE		
	SR	SO	SR	SO	SR	SO	SR	SO	SR	SO	SR	SO	
U	0.0	0.0	17.3	27.4	-198.7	-200.7	0.0	0.0	31.3	34.1	-270.0	-272.1	
Np	0.0	0.0	18.4	34.1	-198.6	-198.5	0.0	0.0	34.7	27.5	-267.4	-267.7	
Pu	0.0	0.0	21.2	27.5	-195.2	-193.5	0.0	0.0	30.9	29.3	-263.9	-262.7	
Am	0.0	0.0	10.6	29.3	-193.8	-192.0	0.0	0.0	28.9	31.0	-266.1	-264.6	
Cm	0.0	0.0	7.2	31.0	-182.3	-187.9	0.0	0.0	29.0	27.4	-256.0	-260.0	

**Table S1.** Relative energy ( $\Delta E$ , kcal/mol) of side-on and insertion isomers, and binding energy (BE) for the formation of AnO<sub>2</sub>(12TC4)<sup>2+</sup> and AnO<sub>2</sub>(12TC4)<sup>2+</sup> from isolated AnO<sub>2</sub><sup>2+</sup> and 12TC4 fragments at PBE/TZP/DZP level.

\*  $\Delta E = E[\text{side-on}] - E[\text{insertion}]$  for AnO<sub>2</sub>(12TC4)<sup>2+</sup> and  $\Delta E = E[\text{double-decker}] - E[\text{insertion}]$  for AnO<sub>2</sub>(12TC4)<sub>2</sub><sup>2+</sup>; BE(binding energy) = E[AnO<sub>2</sub>(12TC4)<sup>2+</sup>] - E[AnO<sub>2</sub><sup>2+</sup>] - E[12TC4].

**Table S2.** Selected average bond lengths (Å) and  $O \equiv An \equiv O$  bond angles (°) of the ground state  $D_2 AnO_2(12TC4)_2^{2+}$  in vacuum and in water as evaluated by COSMO solvation model (in parentheses) at PBE/TZP/DZP level.<sup>a</sup>

	Spin State			Bond 1	ength	Bond angle
An	2S+1	Point group	Elec. Conf.	An≡O	4*An-S <sup>b</sup>	O≡An≡O
U	1	C <sub>2</sub>	$f^0$	1.796 (1.799)	3.075 (3.067)	144.0 (147.8)
Np	2	C <sub>2</sub>	$f_{\phi}{}^1$	1.793 (1.795)	3.024 (2.993)	151.6 (150.3)
Pu	3	C <sub>2</sub>	$f_{\phi}{}^1 f_{\delta}{}^1$	1.777 (1.779)	3.002 (2.991)	163.1 (161.6)
Am	4	C <sub>2</sub>	$f_{\phi}{}^1 f_{\delta}{}^2$	1.780 (1.777)	2.989 (2.958)	180.0 (179.0)
Cm	5	C <sub>2</sub>	${f_{\phi}}^2 {f_{\delta}}^2$	1.812 (1.806)	3.022 (3.004)	180.0 (179.7)

a. The actinide 5f orbitals are nonliterally labeled using the axial symmetry in actinyls. b. An-S bond distances larger than 3.7 Å are not listed.

An	Spin State		Bond	length Å)	Bond angle (degree)	l (kca	BE l/mol)	O≡An≡O (cm	Stretch
28+	2S+1	group	An≡O	An-S	O≡An≡O	SR	SO	Asym.	Sym.
U	1	<i>C</i> <sub>2</sub>	1.796	2.931,3.069	139.4	-198.7	-200.7	910(142)	861(101)
Np	2	$C_2$	1.787	2.932,3.085	145.1	-198.6	-198.5	907(130)	841(80)
Pu	3	<i>C</i> <sub>2</sub>	1.775	2.926,3.279	159.9	-195.2	-193.5	915(119)	808(68)
Am	4	$C_2$	1.766	2.934,3.994	177.8	-193.8	-192.0	918(38)	775(62)
Cm	5	<i>C</i> <sub>2</sub>	1.794	2.894,3.860	178.2	-182.3	-187.9	831(39)	740(19)

**Table S3.** Geometrical parameters and binding energies of the ground state  $C_2 \text{ AnO}_2(12\text{TC4})^{2+}$  at PBE/TZP/DZP level.

**Table S4.** Energy comparison (kcal/mol) between two isomers, "insertion" and "side-on"  $AnO_2(15TC5)^{2+}$  at PBE/TZP/DZP level

			Insertion		Side-on			
	Spin State		Δ	F		ΔΕ		
An	2S+1	Point group	it group		Point group	CD		
	25 1		SR	SO		SK	30	
U	1	$C_1$	0.00	0.00	$C_1$	35.8	36.2	
Np	2	$C_1$	0.00	0.00	$C_1$	41.7	41.6	
Pu	3	$C_1$	0.00	0.00	$C_1$	38.1	37.5	

**Table S5.** Selected average bond lengths (Å),  $O \equiv An \equiv O$  bond angles (°) and calculated vibrational frequencies (cm<sup>-1</sup>) and infrared intensities (Int., km/mol) of the ground state *insertion*  $AnO_2^{2+}(15TC5)$  in vacuum and in water as evaluated by COSMO solvation model (in parentheses) and binding energy (BE, kcal/mol) for  $AnO_2^{2+} + 15TC5 = AnO_2(15TC5)^{2+}$  at PBE/TZP/DZP level.

An State		Point	Bond	length	Bond angle	В	E	O≡An≡O Stretch			
	2S+1	group	An≡O	An-S	O≡An≡O	An=O SR SO $v_3$ Int. $v_1$		$v_1$	Int.		
U	1	$C_1$	1.778, 1.799 (1.786,1.792)	2.931 (2.931)	180.0 (180.0)	-245.0	-251.1	970	142	858	4
Np	2	$C_1$	1.762, 1.782 (1.771,1.776)	2.921 (2.921)	180.0 (179.9)	-240.6	-245.6	966	131	847	3
Pu	3	$C_1$	1.761, 1.774 (1.766,1.768)	2.915 (2.919)	180.0 (179.8)	-245.2	-249.0	957	124	829	1
Am	4	$C_1$	1.756, 1.774 (1.763,1.767)	2.906 (2.913)	180.0 (178.6)	-242.5	-245.7	936	101	796	1
Cm	5	$C_1$	1.770, 1.779 (1.772,1.775)	2.902 (2.904)	180.0 (180.0)	-231.8	-239.8	898	60	749	1

**Table S6.** Selected average bond lengths (Å) and  $O \equiv An \equiv O$  bond angles (°) and calculated vibrational frequencies (cm<sup>-1</sup>) and intensities (Int., km/mol) of the ground state *insertion* AnO<sub>2</sub>(18TC6)<sup>2+</sup> in vacuum and in water as evaluated by COSMO solvation model (in parentheses) and binding energy (BE, kcal/mol) for AnO<sub>2</sub><sup>2+</sup> + 18TC6 = AnO<sub>2</sub>(18TC6)<sup>2+</sup> at PBE/TZP/DZP level.

	Spin	Deinterne	Bond length		Bond angle	В	E	O≡An≡O stretch			tch
An	State	Point group	An≡O	An-S	O≡An≡O	SR	SO	<i>v</i> <sub>3</sub>	Int. $v_1$ 3 150 86	$v_1$	Int.
U	1	$C_1$	1.781,1.798 (1.791,1.796)	3.090 (3.070)	180.0 (179.8)	-265.3	-271.6	963	150	861	2
Np	2	$C_1$	1.765,1.782 (1.774,1.780)	3.088 (3.070)	179.8 (179.6)	-260.8	-265.0	962	139	851	2
Pu	3	$C_1$	1.761,1.775 (1.766,1.772)	3.080 (3.069)	179.3 (179.7)	-262.4	-266.0	952	118	817	2
Am	4	$C_1$	1.760,1.775 (1.767,1.773)	3.098 (3.080)	179.8 (179.8)	-266.2	-267.2	929	102	794	2
Cm	5	$C_1$	1.778,1.798 (1.788,1.797)	3.142 (3.131)	179.8 (179.9)	-243.9	-251.7	872	73	720	0

	Bond I	Length	Bond	Order	М	ulliken Cha	rge	N	Mulliken Sp	in
	O-An	S-An	O-An	S-An	An	0	S	An	0	S
T	1 706	3.069	2 1 2 0	0.500	1 5 9	0.45	0.26			
0	1.790	2.931	2.130	0.564	1.38	-0.43	0.27			
Nn	1 797	3.085	2 102	0.557	1.52	0.42	0.27	1 29	0.10	-0.04
мр	1./0/	2.932	2.102	0.492	1.55	-0.43	0.27	1.36	-0.10	-0.05
Du	1 775	3.279	2 039	0.404	1 50	0.45	0.27	2.84	0.17	-0.13
Pu	1.//3	2.926	2.039	0.541	1.39	-0.45	0.26	2.84	-0.17	-0.12
٨	1 766	3.994	1.002	0.144	1.65	0.45	0.32	4 20	0.26	-0.29
AIII	1.700	2.934	1.992	0.361	1.05	-0.43	0.19	4.39	-0.20	-0.11
Cm	1.794	3.860	1.749	0.210	1.64	-0.48	0.37	5.30	-0.23	-0.38
Cm		2.894		0.400			0.17			-0.01

**Table S7.** Bond Lengths (Å), Mayer Bond Orders, and Mulliken Charges and Spins of  $C_2$  AnO<sub>2</sub>(12TC4)<sup>2+</sup> (An = U, Np, Pu, Am and Cm) at the SR–PBE/TZ2P level.

**Table S8.** Bond Lengths (Å), Mayer Bond Orders, and Mulliken Charge and NPA charge of  $AnO_2(12TC4)_2^{2^+}$  (An = U, Np, Pu, Am and Cm) at the SR-PBE/TZ2P level.

Species	Bond Length		Mayer Bond Order		Mulliker	n Charge	NPA		
	O-An	S-An	O-An	S-An	An	0	An	0	
U	1.806	3.074	2.059	0.375	1.59	-0.52	1.16	-0.58	
Np	1.799	3.085	2.007	0.348	1.59	-0.51	1.53	-0.31	
Pu	1.777	3.055	1.931	0.309	1.79	-0.53	2.35	-0.39	
Am	1.780	3.086	1.793	0.249	1.55	-0.43	3.08	-0.45	
Cm	1.812	3.0222	1.671	0.236	1.78	-0.53	3.09	-0.45	

**Table S9.** Average Bond Lengths (Å), Mayer Bond Orders, and Mulliken Charges of  $AnO_2(15TC5)^{2+}$  (An = U, Np, Pu, Am and Cm) at the SR-PBE/TZ2P level.

	Bond Le	ength, Å	Mayer Bo	Mayer Bond Order Mulliken Charge		Mulliken Charge		
	O-An	S-An	O-An	S-An	An	0	S	
U	1.788	2.930	2.016	0.444	1.67	-0.55	0.23	
Np	1.772	2.921	2.004	0.441	1.63	-0.53	0.23	
Pu	1.767	2.915	1.985	0.439	1.62	-0.51	0.22	
Am	1.765	2.906	1.979	0.417	1.56	-0.49	0.23	
Cm	1.775	2.902	1.814	0.406	1.49	-0.47	0.23	

	Bond Lo	ength, Å	Mayer Bo	ond Order	Mulliken Charge			
	O-An	S-An	O-An	S-An	An	0	S	
U	1.790	3.090	2.020	0.375	1.58	-0.55	0.20	
Np	1.773	3.088	2.008	0.360	1.56	-0.53	0.20	
Pu	1.768	3.080	1.992	0.348	1.58	-0.51	0.19	
Am	1.768	3.098	1.958	0.313	1.52	-0.49	0.20	
Cm	1.788	3.142	1.804	0.289	1.48	-0.50	0.20	

**Table S10.** Average Bond Lengths (Å), Mayer Bond Orders, and Mulliken Charges of  $AnO_2(18TC6)^{2+}$  (An = U, Np, Pu, Am and Cm) at the SR-PBE/TZ2P level.

**Table S11.** Average Mulliken Charges of  $AnO_2^{2+}$ ,  $AnO_2(12TC4)_2^{2+}$ ,  $AnO_2(15TC5)^{2+}$  and  $AnO_2(18TC6)^{2+}$  (An = U, Np, Pu, Am and Cm) at the SR-PBE/TZ2P level.

Species	AnO <sub>2</sub> <sup>2+</sup>		AnO <sub>2</sub> (12	$2TC4)_2^{2+}$	AnO <sub>2</sub> (15T	$(C5)^{2+}$	AnO <sub>2</sub> (18TC6) <sup>2+</sup>		
	An	0	An	0	An	Ο	An	0	
U	2.76	-0.38	1.59	-0.52	1.67	-0.55	1.58	-0.55	
Np	2.66	-0.33	1.59	-0.51	1.63	-0.53	1.56	-0.53	
Pu	2.57	-0.29	1.79	-0.53	1.62	-0.51	1.58	-0.51	
Am	2.62	-0.31	1.55	-0.43	1.56	-0.49	1.52	-0.49	
Cm	2.41	-0.21	1.78	-0.53	1.49	-0.47	1.48	-0.50	

**Table S12.** Average Hirshfeld Charges of  $AnO_2^{2+}$ ,  $AnO_2(12TC4)_2^{2+}$ ,  $AnO_2(15TC5)^{2+}$  and  $AnO_2(18TC6)^{2+}$  (An = U, Np, Pu, Am and Cm) at the SR-PBE/TZ2P level.

Species	AnO <sub>2</sub> <sup>2+</sup>		AnO <sub>2</sub> (12	$(TC4)_2^{2^+}$	AnO <sub>2</sub> (15T	$(C5)^{2+}$	$AnO_2(18TC6)^{2+}$		
	An	0	An	0	An	0	An	0	
U	2.18	-0.09	0.52	-0.27	0.58	-0.24	0.52	-0.26	
Np	2.09	-0.04	0.46	-0.25	0.51	-0.22	0.44	-0.25	
Pu	2.07	-0.04	0.59	-0.27	0.64	-0.23	0.58	-0.25	
Am	2.01	-0.01	0.47	-0.26	0.57	-0.21	0.53	-0.24	
Cm	1.87	0.06	0.40	-0.23	0.36	-0.15	0.37	-0.20	

Species	AnO <sub>2</sub> <sup>2+</sup>		$AnO_2(12TC4)_2^{2+}$		$AnO_2(15TC5)^{2+}$		AnO <sub>2</sub> (18TC6) <sup>2+</sup>	
	An	0	An	0	An	0	An	0
U	2.48	-0.24	2.09	-0.80	1.99	-0.61	2.00	-0.66
Np	2.33	-0.16	1.96	-0.78	1.88	-0.58	1.89	-0.64
Pu	2.25	-0.12	1.85	-0.75	1.76	-0.55	1.79	-0.60
Am	2.17	-0.09	1.63	-0.66	1.66	-0.52	1.67	-0.56
Cm	2.40	-0.20	1.66	-0.69	1.56	-0.47	1.60	-0.54

**Table S13.** Average MDC\_q Charges of  $AnO_2^{2^+}$ ,  $AnO_2(12TC4)_2^{2^+}$ ,  $AnO_2(15TC5)^{2^+}$  and  $AnO_2(18TC6)^{2^+}$  (An = U, Np, Pu, Am and Cm) at the SR-PBE/TZ2P level.

**Table S14.** The calculated natural localized molecular orbitals (NLMOs) of  $AnO_2(12TC4)_2^{2+}$ ,  $AnO_2(15TC5)^{2+}$  and  $AnO_2(18TC6)^{2+}$  (An = U, Np, Pu, Am and Cm) complexes.

Species	Туре	Occ.	NLMO			
$AnO_2(12TC4)_2^{2+}$						
T.	$\sigma_{\text{S-U}}$	4*1.91	$89.1\%S(sp^{3.38}) + 10.9\%U(s^{0.4}d^{0.8}f)$			
0	$\pi_{ ext{S-U}}$	4*1.92	$96.1\%S(sp^{1.3}) + 2.4\%U(d^{1.1}f)$			
Np	$\sigma_{\text{S-Np}}$	4*1.93	88.4%S(sp <sup>2.37</sup> ) + 10.2%Np(sd <sup>2.5</sup> f)			
	$\pi_{ ext{S-Np}}$	4*1.92	96.2%S(sp <sup>1.9</sup> ) + 2.2%Np(d <sup>2</sup> f)			
Pu	σ <sub>S-Pu</sub>	4*1.93	91.0%S(sp <sup>2.2</sup> ) + 7.6%Pu(d <sup>3.8</sup> f)			
	$\pi_{ ext{S-Pu}}$	4*1.94	96.9%S(sp <sup>2.0</sup> ) + 1.4%Pu(d <sup>4</sup> f)			
Am	$\sigma_{S-Am}$	4*1.93	91.2%S(sp <sup>2.4</sup> ) + 6.5%Am(d <sup>4.8</sup> f)			
	$\pi_{ ext{S-Am}}$	4*1.94	97.2%S(sp <sup>1.8</sup> ) + 1.1%Am(d <sup>6.8</sup> f)			
Cree	σ <sub>S-Cm</sub>	4*1.94	$90.6\%O(sp^{2.4}) + 8.0\%Cm(sd^{6.8f})$			
Cm	$\pi_{\text{S-Cm}}$	4*1.94	$97.0\%O(sp^{1.8}) + 1.3\%Cm(d^{9.0}f)$			
$AnO_2(15TC5)^{2+}$						
II	$\sigma_{\text{S-U}}$	5*1.87	81.3%S(sp <sup>4.3</sup> ) + 16.6%U(s <sup>0.6</sup> d <sup>2.1</sup> f)			
0	$\pi_{ ext{S-U}}$	5*1.92	97.8%S(sp) + 1.0%U(d <sup>0.8</sup> f)			
Na	$\sigma_{\text{S-Np}}$	5*1.93	$88.4\%S(sp^{2.37}) + 10.2\%Np(sd^{2.5}f)$			
мр	$\pi_{ ext{S-Np}}$	5*1.92	96.2%S(sp <sup>1.9</sup> ) + 2.2%Np(d <sup>2</sup> f)			
D	$\sigma_{S-Pu}$	5*1.93	91.0%S(sp <sup>2.2</sup> ) + 7.6%Pu(d <sup>3.8</sup> f)			
Pu	$\pi_{ ext{S-Pu}}$	5*1.94	96.9%S(sp <sup>2.0</sup> ) + 1.4%Pu(d <sup>4</sup> f)			
A	$\sigma_{S-Am}$	5*1.90	85.1%S(sp <sup>4.2</sup> ) + 13.1%Am(s <sup>1.1</sup> d <sup>3.0</sup> f)			
АШ	$\pi_{ ext{S-Am}}$	5*1.94	98.0%S(sp) + 0.7%Am(d <sup>2.2</sup> f)			
Cree	σ <sub>S-Cm</sub>	5*1.90	86.7%S(sp <sup>3.7</sup> ) + 11.7%Cm(s <sup>1.2</sup> d <sup>3.7</sup> f)			
Cm	$\pi_{\text{S-Cm}}$	5*1.96	98.0%S(sp <sup>1.1</sup> ) + 0.7%Cm(d <sup>2.6</sup> f)			
AnO <sub>2</sub> (18TC6) <sup>2+</sup>						

IT	$\sigma_{\text{S-U}}$	6*1.89	83.2%S(sp <sup>4.8</sup> ) + 14.3%U(s <sup>0.3</sup> d <sup>1.5</sup> f)		
0	$\pi_{ ext{S-U}}$	6*1.96	97.8%S(sp) + 0.7%U(df)		
Nn	$\sigma_{S-Np}$	6*1.89	$84.6\%S(sp^{4.6}) + 13.0\%Np(s^{0.4}d^{1.7}f)$		
мр	$\pi_{\text{S-Np}}$	6*1.96	$97.9\%S(sp) + 0.6\%Np(d^{1.5}f)$		
Du	$\sigma_{S-Pu}$	6*1.93	91.0%S(sp <sup>2.2</sup> ) + 7.6%Pu(d <sup>3.8</sup> f)		
ru	$\pi_{ ext{S-Pu}}$	6*1.94	96.9%S(sp <sup>2.0</sup> ) + 1.4%Pu(d <sup>4</sup> f)		
Am	$\sigma_{S\text{-}Am}$	6*1.98	$84.0\%S(p) + 15.8\%Am(d^{0.7}f)$		
	$\pi_{ ext{S-Am}}$	6*1.96	$98.1\%S(sp) + 0.4\%Am(d^{4.6}f)$		
Cm	$\sigma_{S-Cm}$	6*1.92	$89.8\%S(sp^{3.3}) + 8.6\%Cm(s^{1.7}d^{5.3}f)$		
Cm	$\pi_{\text{S-Cm}}$	6*1.82	98.6%S(sp <sup>0.9</sup> ) + 0.2%Cm(d <sup>7.1</sup> f)		



**Figure S1.** Plot of representative An-S<sub>12TC4</sub> bonding interactions of  $AnO_2(12TC4)_2^{2+}$  from ETS-NOCV method from an open-shell B3LYP calculation (energy unit: kcal/mol, isovalue=0.03).



**Figure S2.** Plot of representative An-S<sub>15TC5</sub> bonding interactions of  $AnO_2(15TC5)^{2+}$  from ETS-NOCV method from an open-shell B3LYP calculation (energy unit: kcal/mol, isovalue=0.03).



**Figure S3.** Plot of representative An-S<sub>18TC6</sub> bonding interactions of AnO<sub>2</sub>(18TC6)<sup>2+</sup> from ETS-NOCV method from an open-shell B3LYP calculation (energy unit: kcal/mol, isovalue=0.03).



**Figure S4.** Two-dimensional ELF contours for the planes containing the five  $An-S_e$  bonds in  $AnO_2^{2+}(12TC4)$ . The results are based on the SR-ZORA PBE/TZ2P calculated densities.



**Figure S5.** Two-dimensional ELF contours for the planes containing the four  $An-S_{12TC4}$  bonds in  $AnO_2^{2^+}(12TC4)_2$ . The results are based on the SR-ZORA PBE/T2ZP calculated densities.



**Figure S6.** Two-dimensional ELF contours for the planes containing the five  $An-S_{15TC5}$  bonds in  $AnO_2^{2+}(15TC5)$ . The results are based on the SR-ZORA PBE/T2ZP calculated densities.



**Figure S7.** Two-dimensional ELF contours for the planes containing the six  $An-S_{18TC6}$  bonds in  $AnO_2^{2+}(18TC6)$ . The results are based on the SR-ZORA PBE/T2ZP calculated densities.