

**Supporting Information of “Theoretical Studies on the Photophysics and Photochemistry of 5-Formylcytosine and 5-Carboxylcytosine: The Oxidative Products of Epigenetic Modification of Cytosine in DNA”**

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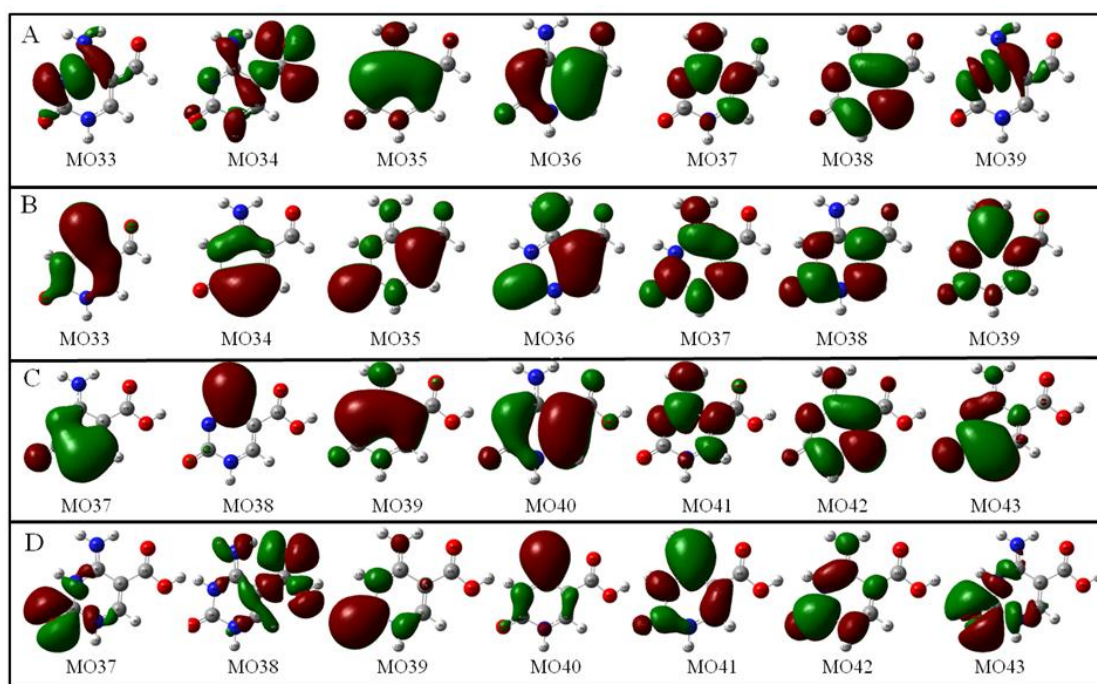
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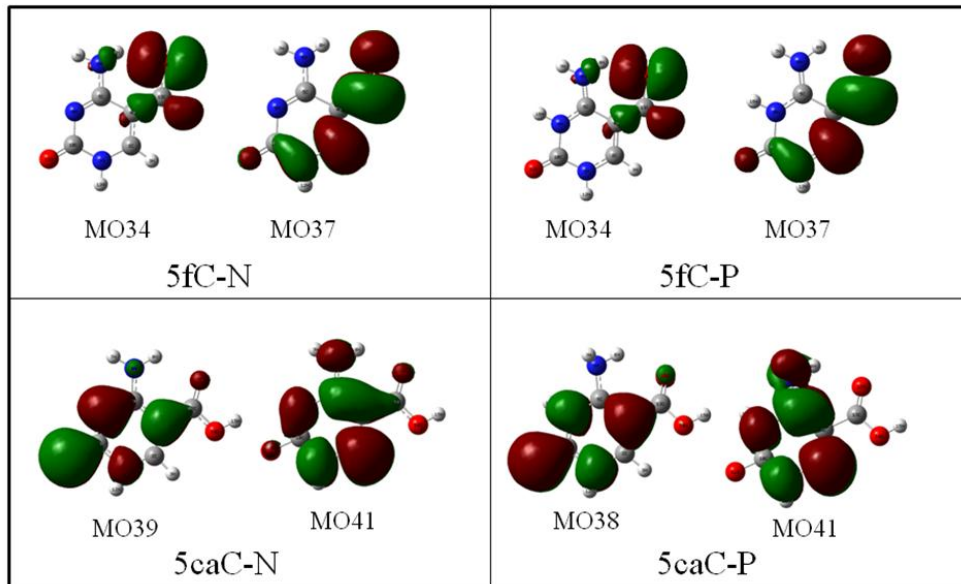
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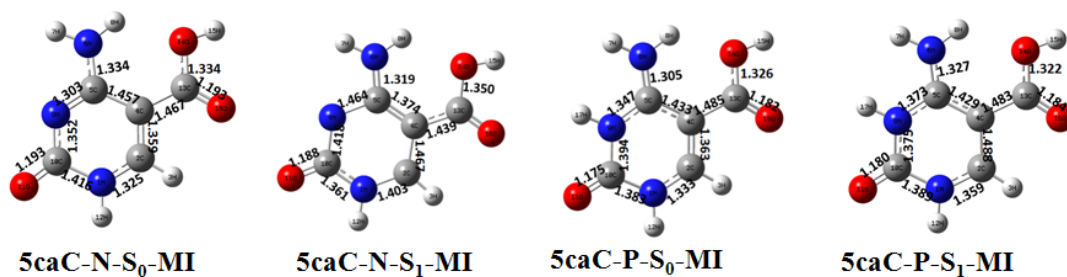
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**Figure S1.** The active orbitals of 5fC and 5caC at CAS(8,7)/6-31G(d) level. A: 5fC-N, B: 5fC-P, C: 5caC-N and D: 5caC-P.



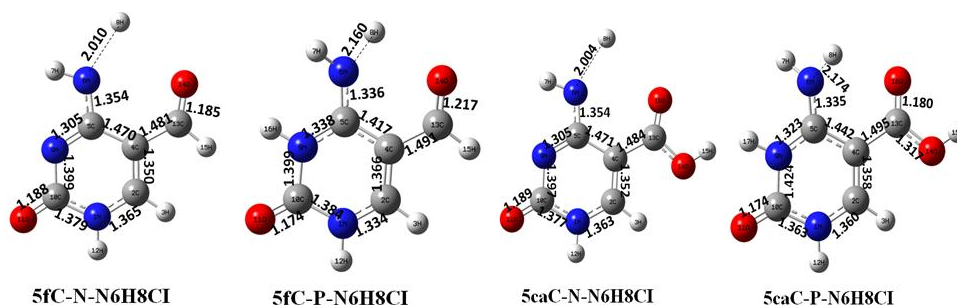
**Figure S2.** The transition molecular orbitals for  $S_1$  states of 5fC and 5caC at CAS(8,7)/6-31G(d) level.



**Figure S3.** The structures of  $S_0$  and  $S_1$  states for intramolecular isomers of 5fC and 5caC at CAS(8,7)/6-31G(d) level. Bond lengths are in Å.

**Table S1.** The energies of  $S_0$  and  $S_1$  states of 5caC and the intramolecular heterogeneous states at CAS(8,7)/6-31G(d) level. Energies are in hartree.

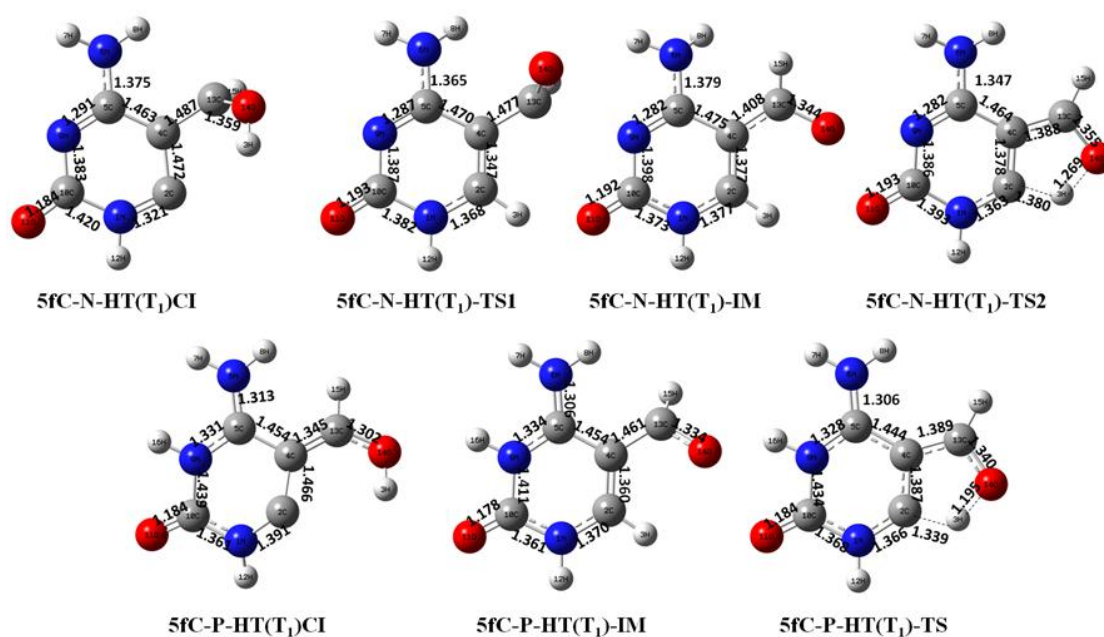
	Neutral	Protonated
$S_0$	-580.3114074	-580.699423
$S_1$	-580.182135	-580.484875
$S_0$ -MI	-580.240971	-580.6207141
$S_1$ -MI	-580.1055007	-580.458269



**Figure S4.** The optimized conical intersections of H8 atom dissociated from N6 of 5fC-N, 5fC-P, 5caC-N and 5caC-P. Bond lengths are in Å.

**Table S2.** The single point energies of the conical intersections for hydrogen transfer in triplet state of 5fC-N and 5fC-P at CASPT2//CAS(14,10)/6-31G(d) level. Energies are in kcal/mol.

Structure	Vacuum Relative Energy (kcal/mol)
5fC-N-N6H8CI	115.80
5fC-P-N6H8CI	118.47
5caC-N-N6H8CI	115.36
5caC-P-N6H8CI	138.76



**Figure S5.** The optimized structures of the conical intersections, intermediates and transition states for hydrogen transfer in triplet state of 5fC-N and 5fC-P at CAS(8,7)/6-31G(d) level. Bond lengths are in Å.

**Table S3.** The single point energies of the conical intersections, intermediates and transition states for hydrogen transfer in triplet state of 5fC-N and 5fC-P at CASPT2//CAS(14,10)/6-31G(d) level and CASPT2//CAS(14,10)/6-31G(d)/PCM level for vacuum and PCM model, respectively. Energies are in kcal/mol.

Structure	Vacuum Relative Energy (kcal/mol)	PCM Relative Energy (kcal/mol)
5fC-N-HT(T <sub>1</sub> )CI	118.33	114.26
5fC-N-HT(T <sub>1</sub> )-TS1	92.91	81.77
5fC-N-HT(T <sub>1</sub> )-IM	82.09	71.53
5fC-N-HT(T <sub>1</sub> )-TS2	114.20	100.36
5fC-P-HT(T <sub>1</sub> )CI	88.77	82.12
5fC-P-HT(T <sub>1</sub> )-IM	78.03	72.35
5fC-P-HT(T <sub>1</sub> )-TS	107.39	104.99