

**Supporting Information for**  
**Adsorption and Reaction of C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub> and O<sub>2</sub> on Nano-sized Gold Cluster:**  
**A Computational Study**

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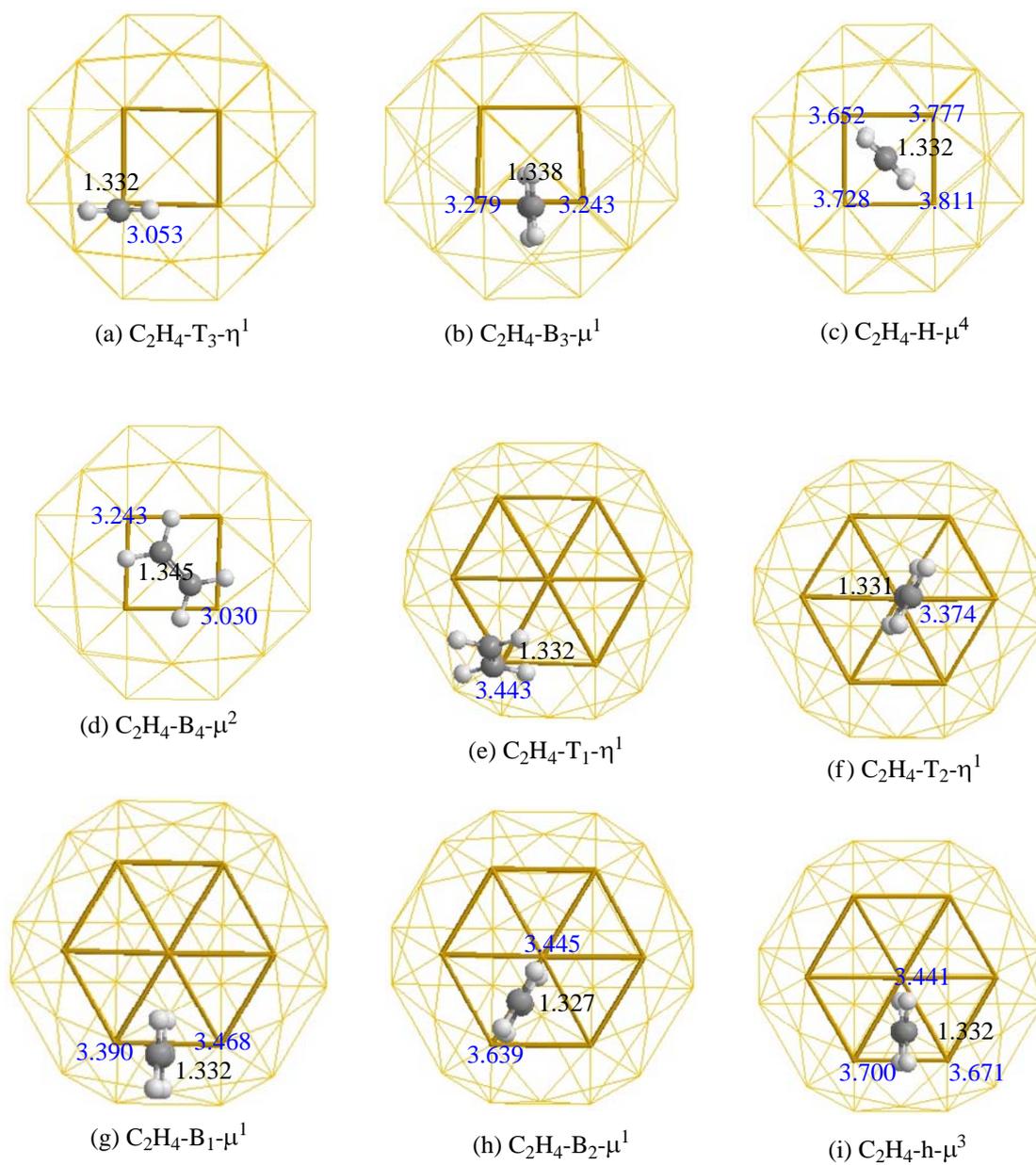
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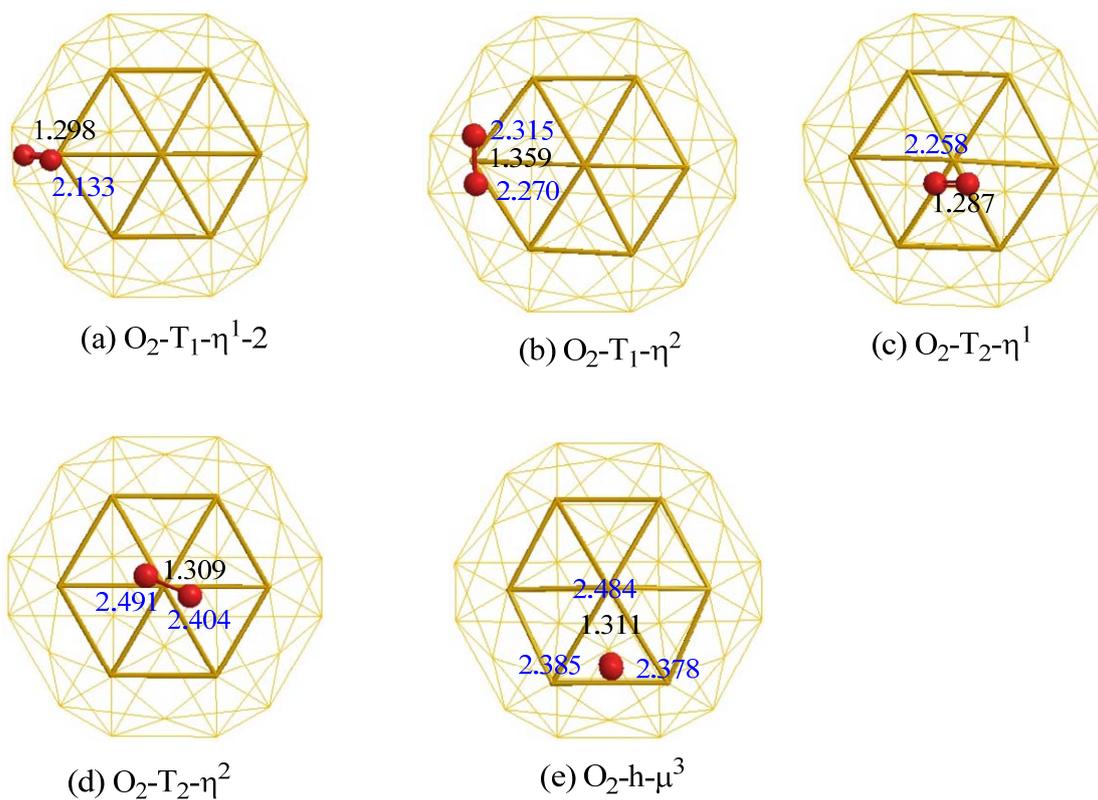
species	E <sub>ads</sub> (eV)	d <sub>Au1-C1</sub> (Å)	d <sub>C1-C2</sub> (Å)	d <sub>C2-Au2</sub> (Å)
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -T <sub>3</sub> -η <sup>1</sup>	0.05	3.053	1.332	
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -B <sub>3</sub> -μ <sup>1</sup>	0.05	3.279	1.338	3.243
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -H-μ <sup>4</sup>	0.02	3.811, 3.728, 3.652, 3.777	1.332	
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -B <sub>4</sub> -μ <sup>2</sup>	-0.04	3.243	1.345	3.030
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -T <sub>1</sub> -η <sup>1</sup>	-0.15	3.443	1.332	
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -T <sub>2</sub> -η <sup>1</sup>	-0.12	3.374	1.331	
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -B <sub>1</sub> -μ <sup>1</sup>	0.01	3.390, 3.468	1.332	
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -B <sub>2</sub> -μ <sup>1</sup>	-0.11	3.639, 3.445	1.327	
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -h-μ <sup>3</sup>	-0.04	3.441, 3.700, 3.671	1.332	

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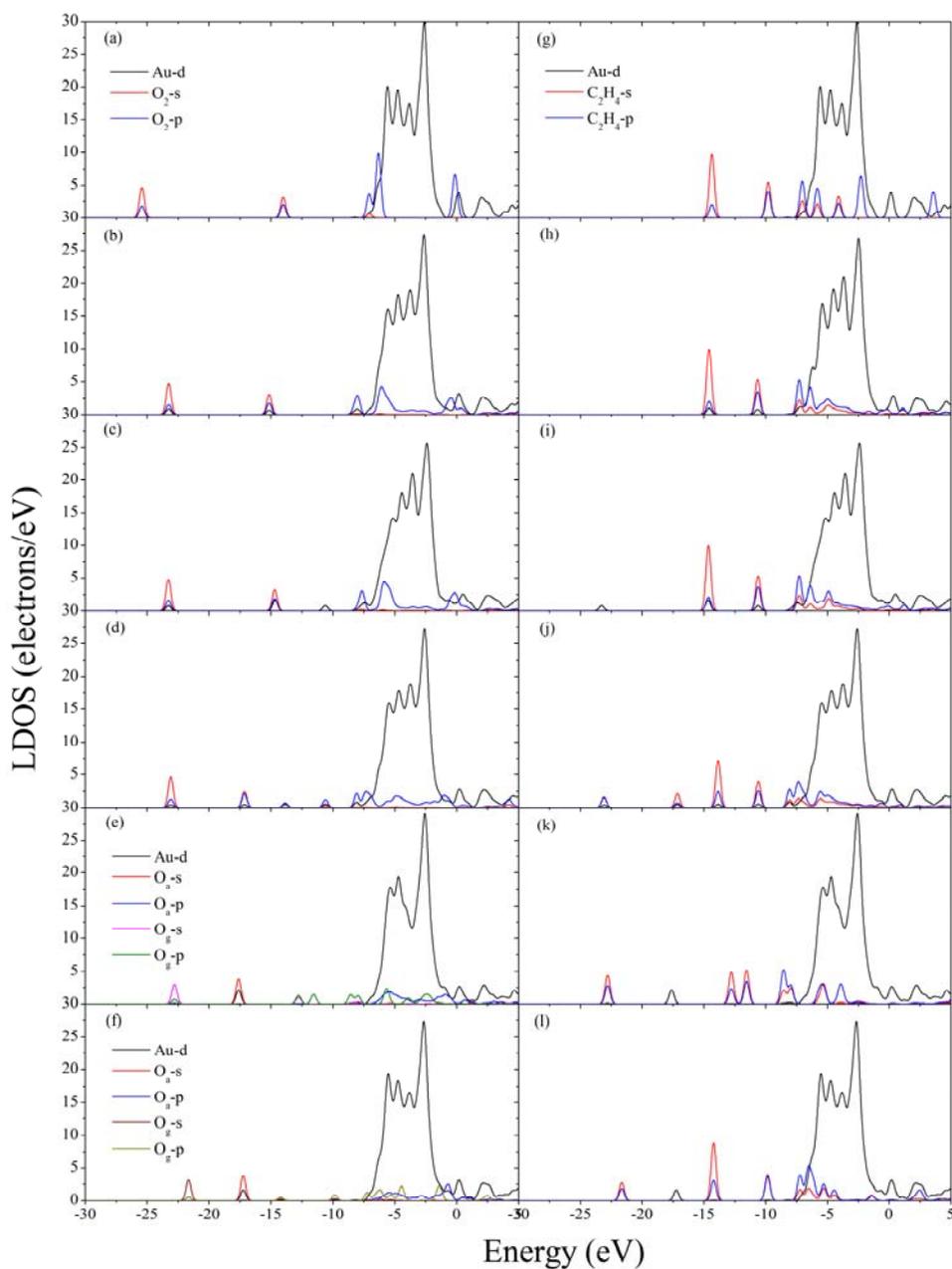
O <sub>2</sub> species	E <sub>ads</sub> (eV)	d <sub>Au1-O1</sub> (Å)	d <sub>O1-O2</sub> (Å)	d <sub>O2-Au2</sub> (Å)
O <sub>2</sub> -T <sub>1</sub> -η <sup>1</sup> -2	-0.09	2.154	1.294	
O <sub>2</sub> -T <sub>2</sub> -η <sup>1</sup>	0.24	2.258	1.287	
O <sub>2</sub> -T <sub>1</sub> -η <sup>2</sup>	0.16	2.315	1.359	2.270
O <sub>2</sub> -T <sub>2</sub> -η <sup>2</sup>	0.06	2.491	1.309	2.404
O <sub>2</sub> -h-μ <sup>3</sup>	-0.09	2.385, 2.378, 2.484	1.311	



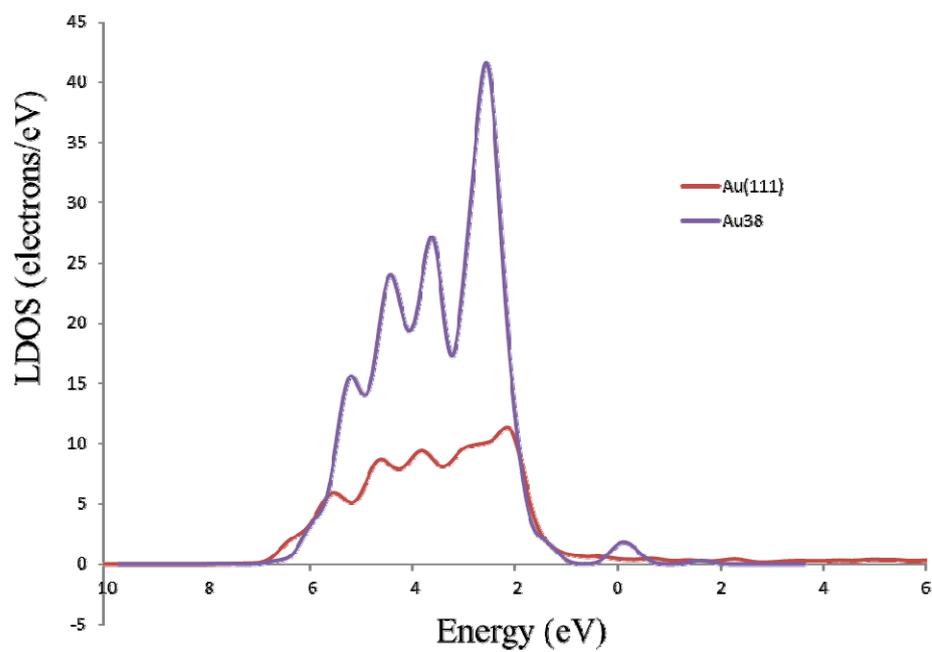
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