# **Supporting Information**

## Methyliminopropadienone CH<sub>3</sub>-N=C=C=C=O: Photoelectron Spectrum and Electronic Structure Anna Chrostowska,\*<sup>†</sup> Alain Dargelos<sup>†</sup>, Saîd Khayar<sup>†</sup> and Curt Wentrup\*<sup>‡</sup>

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## Me-N=C=C=C=O 1a

1) Atomic coordinates for optimized geometry of **1a** [CAM-B3LYP/6-311G(d,p)].

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6 0.515238 2.924691 0.000294
1 1.130086 3.054506 0.893481
1 1.146389 3.032185 -0.884471
1 -0.245799 3.703818 -0.015921
7 -0.107942 1.643659 0.011585
6 -0.057890 0.462652 0.005806
6 -0.091003 -0.823416 0.001976
6 -0.108353 -2.085097 -0.003794
8 -0.123599 -3.248718 -0.008956
2) $E_{tot}$ (neutral) = -284.068221 A.U.
Zero-point correction= 0.061122 (Hartree/Particle)
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -284.007099
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -284.000070
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -283.999126
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -284.040225
$E_{tot} (1^{st} \text{ cation}) = -283.738175 \text{ au}$
$\Delta SCF = E_{tot} (1^{st} \text{ cation}) - E_{tot} (neutral) \qquad \Delta SCF = 8.98 \text{ eV}$
E(HOMO) = -8.02  eV
E(LUMO) = 0.08  eV
$\Delta E(HOMO-LUMO) = 7.94 \text{ eV}$
3) Dipole moment (Debye): 4.8755

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	CH <sub>3</sub> N=CH <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub> -N=C=CH <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>2</sub> =C=O	CH <sub>3</sub> -N=C=C=C=O	CH <sub>2</sub> =O
E <sub>tot</sub> neutral (6-311G(d,p)) au	-133.901331	-171.971304	-152.574947	-284.068221	-114.485589
HOMO (eV)	-8.672	-7.827	-8.370	-8.025	-9.121
LUMO (eV)	1.227	1.538	0.452	0.083	0.295
HOMO-LUMO gap (eV)	7.445	6.289	7.918	7.942	8.826
ground state dipole moment	1.5010	1.4909	1.415	4.8755	2.304
$E_{tot} 1^{st}$ cation (6-311G(d,p)) au	-133.540844	-171.644995	-152.215779	-283.738175	-114.088769
$\Delta$ SCF (ionization energy IE) (eV)	9.809	8.879	9.773	8.979	10.797
$E_{tot}$ neutral (6-311G++(d,p)) au	-133.904892	-171.974715	-152.578845	-284.073837	-114.491280
$E_{tot}$ anion (6-311G++(d,p)) au	-133.873949	-171.947938	-152.572196	-284.090800	-114.467399
electron affinity (EA) (eV)	-0.854	-0.729	-0.181	+0.462	-0.650
$\Delta$ (IE+EA) (eV)	8.955	8.150	9.592	9.441	10.147

#### 5) Atomic coordinates for optimized geometry of 2a [CAM-B3LYP/6-311G(d,p)].



6	-4 920401	1 576144	-0 487502
6	-5 781859	2 677909	-0 107775
6	-7 198780	2 562644	-0 371760
6	-6 866046	0 198256	-0 180/29
6	-6.962404	0.15020	1 220002
1	-0.002404	0.015009	1.550092
1	-7.880623	-0.15/049	1.6/9643
1	-6.245292	-0.845282	1.590035
Ţ	-6.465945	0.896927	1.832142
6	-7.435874	-0.993878	-0.912600
1	-6.839579	-1.880003	-0.696188
1	-8.466925	-1.163053	-0.602784
1	-7.410636	-0.799078	-1.983727
8	-7.683042	1.309012	-0.543425
8	-5.548398	0.373989	-0.674211
8	-7.993726	3.479052	-0.485877
8	-3.737877	1.626276	-0.716179
6	-5.237663	3.959756	0.197659
7	-5.954004	5.061820	-0.062782
1	-6.890219	4.855664	-0.416193
6	-5 652112	6 379831	0 447180
1	-4 800796	6 837380	-0 068100
1	-6 516095	7 018864	0 277233
1	-5 444482	6 361608	1 521967
1 7	-1.041656	1 144420	0 701//6
1	-4.041030	4.144429 5.0000777	0.701440
T	-3.001/40	5.065577	0./030/0
5	-3.236527	3.1/2026	1.501451
T	-2.528887	2.666646	0.84855/
1	-2.717178	3.697492	2.303878
1	-3.886153	2.420237	1.947081

E(RCAM-B3LYP) = -761.692129534 A.U.

Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=

Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=

Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=

Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=

Zero-point correction=

Thermal correction to Energy=

Dipole moment (Debye): 5.4382

Thermal correction to Enthalpy=

0.238529(Hartree/Particle) 0.253657 0.254601 0.197451 -761.453600 -761.438473 -761.437529 -761.494679

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O.M.	$-\varepsilon^{KS}$	TD-DFT	OVGF	SAC-CI	P3	IEs exp
H.	7.71	8.24	7.76	7.59	8.18	8.25
t	8.87	9.43	9.37	8.78	9.51	0.4
H H	9.03	9.74	9.81	8.89	9.63	9.4
	9.57	10.20	10.22	9.39	10.24	10.1
	9.88	10.51	10.61	9.71	10.52	10.6
HE C	10.09	10.72	10.84	10.05	10.80	11.1
	11.24	11.91	12.25	11.11	12.24	12.1
	11.68	12.30	12.25	11.80	12.34	

#### 6) Atomic coordinates for optimized geometry of **2b** [CAM-B3LYP/6-311G(d,p)].



6	-0.437887	1.162734	0.433116
6	0 268689	-0 007258	-0 032417
6	-0 411845	-1 058267	-0 756614
6	-2 160629	-0 083657	0.042477
6	-3 786779	0.003037	-0 603863
1	-1 245900	-0 674059	-0.003003
1	-4.343099	-0.074950	-0.700124
1	-4.363174	0.090007	0.043720
Ţ	-3.605340	0.746415	-1.552100
6	-2.613/41	-0./94385	1.3/95/9
1	-3.186663	-0.168849	2.064257
1	-3.132525	-1.742413	1.235994
1	-1.639401	-0.992148	1.827505
8	-1.766550	-0.917279	-0.876652
8	-1.792376	1.155813	0.226595
8	0.107857	-1.999609	-1.306882
8	0.041844	2.132629	0.969120
6	1.684358	-0.083475	0.103425
7	2.302353	-1.225812	0.457768
6	3.689118	-1.492989	0.113642
1	4.372034	-1.274139	0.942325
1	3.788543	-2.548969	-0.139347
1	3.980428	-0.907865	-0.756992
7	2.485607	0.965759	-0.144558
1	3.395233	0.958990	0.287450
6	2.140424	2.161319	-0.894243
1	1.766596	2.946691	-0.239804
1	3 026342	2 494888	-1 436274
1	1 361919	1 915380	-1 614313
6	1 612875	-2 317857	1 124149
1	0 714273	-1 940892	1 605423
⊥ 1	1 320321	-3 080307	1.0009420
⊥ 1	2 272010	-2.722152	1 000501
$\perp$	2.2/2919	-2./33132	1,000001

E(RCAM-B3LYP) = -800.971306906A.U. Zero-point correction= 0.266509 (Hartree/Particle) Thermal correction to Energy= 0.283148 Thermal correction to Enthalpy= 0.284093 Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy= 0.223628 Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies= -800.704797 Sum of electronic and thermal Energies= -800.688159 -800.687214 Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -800.747679

Dipole moment (Debye): 5.0977

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O.M.	$-\varepsilon^{KS}$	TD-DFT	OVGF	SAC-CI	P3	IEs exp
the set	7.68	8.14	7.67	7.23	8.11	8.05
the second	8.50	8.98	8.90	8.01	9.01	8.9
the state	8.84	9.51	9.61	8.45	9.41	9.4
the second	9.50	10.12	10.15	9.05	10.17	10.05
	9.63	10.26	10.37	9.17	10.27	10.5
	9.94	10.56	10.66	9.59	10.60	10.5
	10.76	11.61	11.71	10.61	11.77	11.4

11.45	12.06	12.21	11.18	12.23	12.1
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7) Atomic coordinates for optimized geometry of 2c [CAM-B3LYP/6-311G(d,p)].



E(RCAM-B3LYP) = -1104.54257429A.U.Zero-point correction=0.221579 (Hartree/Particle)Thermal correction to Energy=0.237164Thermal correction to Enthalpy=0.238109Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=0.179302Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=-1104.320995Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=-1104.305410

Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies= -1104.304466 Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies= -1104.363272 Dipole moment (Debye): 3.9201

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O.M.	$-\varepsilon^{KS}$	TD-DFT	OVGF	SAC-CI	P3	IEs exp
A Contract	7.92	8.37	7.87	7.54	8.36	8.4
H	8.59	9.30	9.07	8.55	9.08	9.1
	9.16	9.83	9.87	8.91	9.75	9.8
	9.66	10.28	10.32	9.26	10.36	10.1
A Contraction of the second se	9.87	10.52	10.58	9.46	10.66	10.5
X	10.20	10.81	10.97	9.86	10.97	10.5
HE TO	10.91	11.61	11.37	10.85	11.25	11.35

<sup>1</sup>All calculation were performed using the Gaussian package:

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