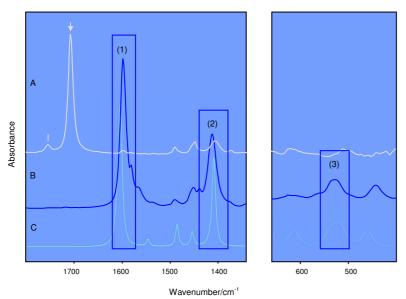
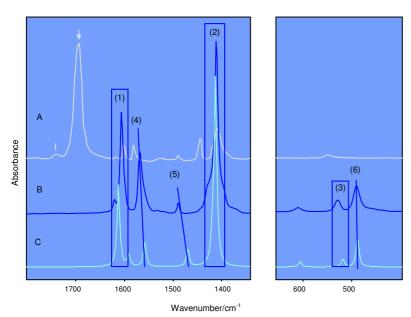


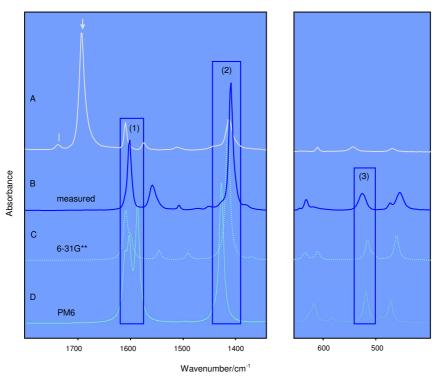
The vibrational spectra of A: adamantylcarboxylic acid, B: $Zn_4O(1\text{-adamantylcarboxylate})_6$, C: adamantylacetic acid, D: $Zn_4O(1\text{-adamantylacetate})_6$ dissolved in decane in the 1850–1350 cm⁻¹ and 650–400 cm⁻¹ ranges. Band assignation: $v_{as}COO^-$ 1591 cm⁻¹, 1595 cm⁻¹; v_sCOO^- 1427 cm⁻¹, 1416 cm⁻¹; $v_{as}Zn_4O$ 528 cm⁻¹ and 529 cm⁻¹, v_sCOO^- carboxylic acid dimer with grey arrow, monomeric carboxylic acid with grey line.



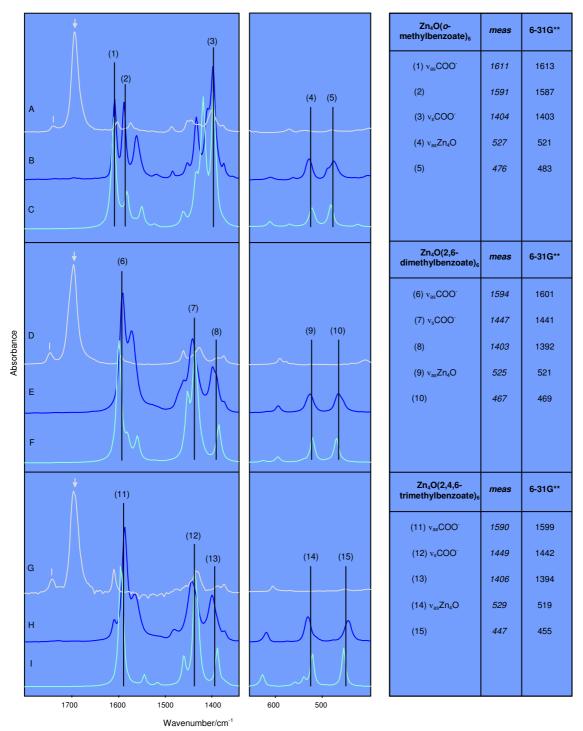
The experimental spectrum of 2-phenylbutanoic acid dissolved in C_2Cl_4 (trace A) and the measured and the PM6 simulated and scaled spectra of $Zn_4O(2\text{-phenylbutyrate})_6$ (traces B – dissolved in C_2Cl_4 – and C) in the 1800-1350 cm⁻¹ and 650-400 cm⁻¹ range. Band assignation: $v_{as}COO^-$: (1), v_sCOO^- : (2) and $v_{as}Zn_4O$: (3), vC=O: carboxylic acid dimer with grey arrow, monomeric carboxylic acid with grey line.



The experimental spectrum of benzoic acid dissolved in C_2Cl_4 (trace A) and the measured and the 6-31G** simulated and scaled spectra of $Zn_4O(benzoate)_6$ (traces B – dissolved in C_2Cl_4 – and C) in the 1800–1350 cm⁻¹ and 650–400 cm⁻¹ range. Band assignation: $\nu_{as}COO^-$: (1), ν_sCOO^- : (2) and $\nu_{as}Zn_4O$: (3), (4), (5), (6), ν_cCOO^- : carboxylic acid dimer with grey arrow, monomeric carboxylic acid with grey line.



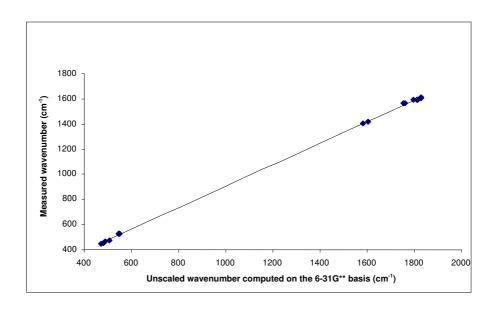
The experimental spectra of *para*-methylbenzoic acid and $Zn_4O(para$ -methylbenzoate)₆ (traces A and B, respectively, both materials dissolved in C_2Cl_4) and the 6-31G** and the PM6 simulated and scaled spectra of $Zn_4O(para$ -methylbenzoate)₆ (traces C and D, respectively) in the 1800–1350 cm⁻¹ and 650–400 cm⁻¹ range. Band assignation: $v_{as}COO^-$: (1), v_sCOO^- : (2) and $v_{as}Zn_4O$: (3) vC=O: carboxylic acid dimer with grey arrow, monomeric carboxylic acid with grey line.



The experimental spectra of *ortho*-methylbenzoic acid and Zn₄O(*ortho*-methylbenzoate)₆ (traces A and B, respectively, both materials dissolved in C₂Cl₄), the 6-31G** simulated and scaled spectra of Zn₄O(*ortho*-methylbenzoate)₆ (trace C), the experimental spectra of 2,6-dimethylbenzoic acid and Zn₄O(2,6-dimethylbenzoate)₆ (traces D and E, respectively, both materials dissolved in C₂Cl₄), the 6-31G** simulated and scaled spectra of Zn₄O(2,6-dimethylbenzoate)₆ (trace F), the experimental spectra of 2,4,6-trimethylbenzoic acid and Zn₄O(2,4,6-trimethylbenzoate)₆ (traces G and H, respectively, both materials dissolved in C₂Cl₄), the 6-31G** simulated and scaled spectra of Zn₄O(2,4,6-trimethylbenzoate)₆ (trace I) in the 1800–1350 cm⁻¹ and 650–400 cm⁻¹ range. For band assignation, see the table, vC=O: carboxylic acid dimer with grey arrow, monomeric carboxylic acid with grey line.

Parameters used and obtained for and during calculating the scaling of wavenumbers computed on the $6\text{-}31G^{**}$ basis

	Measured	6-31G** unscaled	6-31G** scaled
Zn₄O(p- methylbenzoate)₅	1605	1827	1612
	1416	1603	1421
	525	545	516
	1563	1754	1550
	451	482	463
Zn₄O(o- methylbenzoate)₅	1611	1828	1613
	1404	1582	1403
	527	550	521
	1591	1797	1587
	1565	1759	1554
	476	506	483
Zn ₄ O(2,4,6- trimethyl- benzoate) ₆	1590	1812	1599
	529	548	519
	447	473	455
Zn₄O(2,6- dimethyl- benzoate) ₆	1594	1814	1601
	525	550	521
	467	490	469
parameters	0.8548	50.5016	
error	0.003218	4.2661	
R ²	0.9998		



Parameters used and obtained for and during calculating the scaling of wavenumbers computed by the PM6 method

	Measured	PM6 unscaled	PM6 scaled
Zn ₄ O(p-methyl- benzoate)s	1605	1620	1590
	1416	1455	1433
	525	495	518
	451	446	471
Zn ₄ O(cyclo- hexylcar- boxylate) ₆	1591	1631	1601
	1431	1438	1417
	515	495	518
Zn ₄ O(cyclo-Zn ₄ O(cyclo-hexyl-hexylcar-acetate) ₆ boxylate) ₆	1595	1636	1605
	1443	1455	1433
	530	493	516
Zn ₄ O(2- phenylbutirate) ₆	1601	1637	1606
	1418	1436	1415
	522	490	513
	441	430	456
parameter	0.9542	44.3685	
error	0.006508	7.8488	
R ²	0.9994		

