- Supporting Information -

Difficulties of Popular Density Functionals to Describe the Conformational Isomerism in Iodoacetic Acid

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1. Additional Infrared Spectra



Figure S1. Infrared spectrum of matrix isolated iodoacetic acid in solid argon at 4 K.



Figure S2. The top trace in (a) displays the anharmonic infrared spectra of conformers (c,x) and (c,c) pointing upwards and downwards, respectively, computed within the VPT2 approximation at the MP2/def2-TZVPP level of theory. The blue trace in (b) corresponds to the difference IR spectrum after UV irradiation (240–255 nm) of a neon matrix doped with iodoacetic acid for 1.5 minutes. The red trace shows the difference after annealing of the irradiated matrix for ten minutes at 6.2 K.

2. Additional Potential Energy Curves



Figure S3. Absolute self-consistent field and correlation energies along the relaxed CCSD(T)/def2-TZVPP//MP2/def2-TZVPP potential energy curves of *cis*-iodoacetic acid.



Figure S4. Absolute DFT electronic and D3(0)-dispersion correction energies along the relaxed B3LYP-D3(0)/def2-TZVPP potential energy curves of *cis*-iodoacetic acid.



Figure S5. Absolute DFT electronic and D3(BJ)-dispersion correction energies along the relaxed B3LYP-D3(BJ)/def2-TZVPP potential energy curves of *cis*-iodoacetic acid.



Figure S6. Plot drawn in analogy to Figure 5 in the main manuscript utilizing D3(0)-corrected DFAs.



Figure S7. Plot drawn in analogy to Figure 5 in the main manuscript utilizing D3(BJ)-corrected DFAs.

3. Relative Energies at Different Levels

Table S1. Relative electronic energies at different levels of theory utilizing a def2-QZVPP basis set are given in kcal mol⁻¹. The energies are computed employing MP2/def2-TZVPP geometries. For wave function methods, CBS extrapolated energies are reported.

| species | MP2 | HF | B2PLYP | B3LYP | BLYP | M06-2X |
|--------------------------|--------|-------|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| (c,x) | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (c,c) | 1.25 | 1.63 | 1.48 | 1.66 | 1.82 | 1.27 |
| $(c,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | 1.32 | 1.70 | 1.45 | 1.57 | 1.64 | 1.38 |
| $(c,t)^{\ddagger}$ | 2.19 | 2.67 | 2.09 | 2.08 | 1.93 | 2.05 |
| $(x,\xi)^{\ddagger}$ | 11.12 | 10.97 | 11.31 | 11.26 | 11.36 | 10.57 |
| $(x,x)^{\ddagger}$ | 13.06 | 12.69 | 13.02 | 12.87 | 12.86 | 12.49 |
| $(x,c^{-})^{\ddagger}$ | 13.54 | 13.60 | 13.60 | 13.56 | 13.53 | 13.04 |
| (t,β) | 3.38 | 5.99 | 3.68 | 3.61 | 3.02 | 3.80 |
| $(t,t)^{\ddagger}$ | 3.39 | 6.38 | 3.67 | 3.56 | 2.85 | 3.94 |
| (<i>t</i> , <i>c</i>) | 6.70 | 7.92 | 6.87 | 6.90 | 6.70 | 6.67 |
| $(t,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | 7.14 | 8.21 | 7.12 | 7.05 | 6.73 | 7.16 |
| | | | | | | |
| species | PBE | PBE0 | TPSS | SCS-MP2 | BHandHLYP | B2GP-PLYP |
| (c,x) | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (<i>c</i> , <i>c</i>) | 1.51 | 1.37 | 1.73 | 1.34 | 1.53 | 1.42 |
| $(c,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | 1.43 | 1.39 | 1.59 | 1.38 | 1.55 | 1.43 |
| $(c,t)^{\ddagger}$ | 1.54 | 1.80 | 1.79 | 2.33 | 2.27 | 2.13 |
| $(x,\xi^{-})^{\ddagger}$ | 11.48 | 11.32 | 11.46 | 10.96 | 11.13 | 11.29 |
| $(x,x)^{\ddagger}$ | 13.22 | 13.15 | 13.23 | 12.78 | 12.86 | 13.05 |
| $(x,c^{-})^{\ddagger}$ | 13.59 | 13.59 | 13.85 | 13.37 | 13.58 | 13.62 |
| (t,β) | 2.09 | 2.94 | 2.30 | 3.84 | 4.45 | 3.79 |
| $(t,t)^{\ddagger}$ | 1.80 | 2.82 | 2.09 | 3.96 | 4.57 | 3.82 |
| (<i>t</i> , <i>c</i>) | 6.28 | 6.59 | 6.56 | 6.77 | 7.25 | 6.91 |
| $(t,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | 6.50 | 6.91 | 6.68 | 7.14 | 7.53 | 7.22 |
| | | | | | | |
| species | DSD- | CAM- | B2PLYP- | | | M06 2V D2 |
| species | PBEP86 | B3LYP | D3 | DJL11-DJ | DLIF-D3 | M00-2A-D3 |
| (c,x) | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (c,c) | 1.30 | 1.24 | 1.61 | 1.88 | 2.10 | 1.26 |
| $(c,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | 1.35 | 1.28 | 1.58 | 1.79 | 1.91 | 1.38 |
| $(c,t)^{\ddagger}$ | 2.04 | 1.90 | 2.23 | 2.28 | 2.17 | 2.05 |
| $(x,\xi)^{\ddagger}$ | 11.26 | 11.30 | 11.13 | 10.96 | 10.95 | 10.58 |
| $(x,x)^{\ddagger}$ | 13.11 | 12.99 | 12.98 | 12.79 | 12.70 | 12.49 |
| $(x,c^{-})^{\ddagger}$ | 13.57 | 13.38 | 13.68 | 13.67 | 13.62 | 13.04 |
| (<i>t</i> ,β⁻) | 3.51 | 3.86 | 3.77 | 3.74 | 3.17 | 3.80 |
| $(t,t)^{\ddagger}$ | 3.52 | 3.86 | 3.78 | 3.72 | 3.05 | 3.95 |
| (<i>t</i> , <i>c</i>) | 6.73 | 6.79 | 7.01 | 7.12 | 6.94 | 6.67 |
| $(t,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | 7.11 | 7.09 | 7.27 | 7.27 | 6.96 | 7.17 |

| species | PBE-D3 | PBE0-D3 | TPSS-D3 | B2GP- PLYP-D3 | ωB97X-D3 | B2PLYP- D3(BJ) |
|-------------------------|--------|---------|---------|------------------|----------|-------------------|
| (c,x) | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (c,c) | 1.60 | 1.49 | 1.88 | 1.52 | 1.16 | 1.54 |
| $(c,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | 1.52 | 1.51 | 1.74 | 1.53 | 1.24 | 1.51 |
| $(c,t)^{\ddagger}$ | 1.60 | 1.91 | 1.91 | 2.23 | 1.80 | 2.13 |
| $(x,\xi)^{\ddagger}$ | 11.34 | 11.16 | 11.22 | 11.15 | 11.25 | 11.18 |
| $(x,x)^{\ddagger}$ | 13.17 | 13.11 | 13.13 | 13.02 | 12.99 | 12.99 |
| $(x,c^{-})^{\ddagger}$ | 13.61 | 13.65 | 13.88 | 13.68 | 13.34 | 13.63 |
| (t,β) | 2.13 | 3.02 | 2.37 | 3.86 | 3.75 | 3.54 |
| $(t,t)^{\ddagger}$ | 1.85 | 2.91 | 2.19 | 3.90 | 3.74 | 3.54 |
| (<i>t</i> , <i>c</i>) | 6.35 | 6.70 | 6.68 | 7.02 | 6.57 | 6.87 |
| $(t,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | 6.55 | 7.02 | 6.78 | 7.33 | 6.91 | 7.11 |

| | B3LYP- | BLYP- | PBE- | PBE0- | TPSS- | B2GP-PLYP- |
|------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|------------|
| species | D3(BJ) | D3(BJ) | D3(BJ) | D3(BJ) | D3(BJ) | D3(BJ) |
| (c,x^{-}) | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (<i>c</i> , <i>c</i>) | 1.76 | 1.95 | 1.57 | 1.44 | 1.82 | 1.45 |
| $(c,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | 1.68 | 1.76 | 1.49 | 1.46 | 1.68 | 1.47 |
| $(c,t)^{\ddagger}$ | 2.15 | 2.02 | 1.58 | 1.84 | 1.85 | 2.17 |
| $(x,\xi)^{\ddagger}$ | 10.99 | 11.03 | 11.34 | 11.20 | 11.28 | 11.18 |
| $(x,x)^{\ddagger}$ | 12.80 | 12.77 | 13.18 | 13.12 | 13.18 | 13.03 |
| $(x,c^{-})^{\ddagger}$ | 13.61 | 13.60 | 13.62 | 13.64 | 13.90 | 13.65 |
| (<i>t</i> ,β ⁻) | 3.29 | 2.63 | 1.92 | 2.81 | 2.10 | 3.68 |
| $(t,t)^{\ddagger}$ | 3.26 | 2.48 | 1.64 | 2.70 | 1.91 | 3.71 |
| (<i>t</i> , <i>c</i>) | 6.87 | 6.66 | 6.25 | 6.59 | 6.55 | 6.91 |
| $(t,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | 7.01 | 6.68 | 6.47 | 6.90 | 6.65 | 7.21 |

| | BHandHI VD | DSD- |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------|
| species | D11allu11L11 - D2(D1) | PBEP86- |
| | D3(DJ) | D3(BJ) |
| (c,x) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| (c,c) | 1.60 | 1.34 |
| $(c,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | 1.63 | 1.38 |
| $(c,t)^{\ddagger}$ | 2.33 | 2.09 |
| $(x,\xi^{-})^{\ddagger}$ | 10.92 | 11.14 |
| $(x,x)^{\ddagger}$ | 12.81 | 13.02 |
| $(x,c^{-})^{\ddagger}$ | 13.63 | 13.54 |
| (t,β) | 4.19 | 3.45 |
| $(t,t)^{\ddagger}$ | 4.33 | 3.48 |
| (<i>t</i> , <i>c</i>) | 7.23 | 6.71 |
| $(t,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | 7.50 | 7.06 |

4. Electronic Energies at Different Levels

| species | MP2/CBS | HF/CBS | B2PLYP | B3LYP | BLYP | M06-2X |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| (c,x) | -525.682361 | -523.993973 | -526.040844 | -526.3984011 | -526.198359 | -526.1359463 |
| (c,c) | -525.680376 | -523.991375 | -526.038489 | -526.3957594 | -526.195457 | -526.133926 |
| $(c,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | -525.680251 | -523.991268 | -526.038527 | -526.395893 | -526.195749 | -526.1337459 |
| $(c,t)^{\ddagger}$ | -525.678876 | -523.98972 | -526.037515 | -526.3950894 | -526.195286 | -526.1326828 |
| $(x,\xi)^{\ddagger}$ | -525.664638 | -523.976488 | -526.022825 | -526.3804551 | -526.18025 | -526.1190979 |
| $(x,x)^{\ddagger}$ | -525.661549 | -523.973745 | -526.020096 | -526.3778873 | -526.177872 | -526.1160422 |
| $(x,c^{-})^{\ddagger}$ | -525.660777 | -523.972304 | -526.019179 | -526.3767995 | -526.1768 | -526.1151674 |
| (t,β) | -525.67698 | -523.984421 | -526.034986 | -526.3926546 | -526.193541 | -526.1298966 |
| $(t,t)^{\ddagger}$ | -525.676957 | -523.983803 | -526.034996 | -526.3927267 | -526.193813 | -526.1296715 |
| (<i>t</i> , <i>c</i>) | -525.671686 | -523.981355 | -526.029902 | -526.387398 | -526.187683 | -526.1253156 |
| $(t,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | -525.670982 | -523.980883 | -526.029499 | -526.3871633 | -526.187633 | -526.1245343 |

Table S2. Electronic energies at different levels of theory utilizing a def2-QZVPP basis set are given in E_h . The energies are computed employing MP2/def2-TZVPP geometries. For wave function methods, CBS extrapolated energies are reported.

| species | PBE | PBE0 | TPSS | B2PLYP- D3 | B2LYP-D3 | BLYP-D3 |
|-------------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|
| (c,x^{-}) | -526.039558 | -526.0629767 | -526.21849 | -526.043728 | -526.4035266 | -526.204459 |
| (<i>c</i> , <i>c</i>) | -526.037156 | -526.0607896 | -526.21574 | -526.041165 | -526.4005374 | -526.201108 |
| $(c,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.037275 | -526.0607584 | -526.215956 | -526.041203 | -526.4006707 | -526.201418 |
| $(c,t)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.037099 | -526.0601069 | -526.215635 | -526.040181 | -526.3998919 | -526.201009 |
| $(x,\xi)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.021265 | -526.0449446 | -526.200228 | -526.025996 | -526.3860645 | -526.187012 |
| $(x,x)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.01849 | -526.0420231 | -526.197411 | -526.023038 | -526.383139 | -526.184225 |
| $(x,c^{-})^{\ddagger}$ | -526.0179 | -526.0413123 | -526.196424 | -526.021935 | -526.381749 | -526.182757 |
| (t,β) | -526.036232 | -526.0582973 | -526.214824 | -526.037715 | -526.3975596 | -526.199402 |
| $(t,t)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.036694 | -526.0584849 | -526.215155 | -526.037698 | -526.3975935 | -526.199603 |
| (<i>t</i> , <i>c</i>) | -526.029554 | -526.0524726 | -526.208035 | -526.032558 | -526.3921853 | -526.193392 |
| $(t,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.029202 | -526.0519664 | -526.207845 | -526.03214 | -526.3919484 | -526.193365 |

| species | M06-2X- D3 | PBE-D3 | PBE0-D3 | TPSS-D3 | B2PLYP- D3(BJ) | B3LYP- D3(BJ) |
|------------------------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------------------|------------------|
| (c,x^{-}) | -526.1359844 | -526.042175 | -526.0659171 | -526.222414 | -526.046698 | -526.4106158 |
| (<i>c</i> , <i>c</i>) | -526.1339711 | -526.039627 | -526.0635447 | -526.219416 | -526.044251 | -526.4078055 |
| $(c,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.1337909 | -526.039751 | -526.0635115 | -526.219646 | -526.044292 | -526.4079426 |
| $(c,t)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.1327224 | -526.039618 | -526.0628809 | -526.219377 | -526.043302 | -526.4071846 |
| $(x,\xi)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.1191266 | -526.024096 | -526.0481284 | -526.204531 | -526.02888 | -526.3930974 |
| $(x,x)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.1160751 | -526.021194 | -526.0450313 | -526.201485 | -526.025999 | -526.3902114 |
| $(x,c^{-})^{\ddagger}$ | -526.1152049 | -526.020486 | -526.0441632 | -526.200287 | -526.024971 | -526.38892 |
| (<i>t</i> ,β ⁻) | -526.1299221 | -526.038781 | -526.0611087 | -526.218639 | -526.04106 | -526.4053789 |
| $(t,t)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.1296974 | -526.039228 | -526.0612815 | -526.218932 | -526.041056 | -526.4054224 |
| (<i>t</i> , <i>c</i>) | -526.1253476 | -526.032061 | -526.0552354 | -526.211761 | -526.035755 | -526.3996626 |
| $(t,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.1245645 | -526.031733 | -526.0547316 | -526.211603 | -526.035367 | -526.3994429 |

| | DI VD | DDE | DDEU | TDCC | | SCS |
|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| species | D3(BJ) | D3(BJ) | D3(BJ) | D3(BJ) | CCSD(1)/CBS | MP2/CBS |
| (c,x) | -526.213249 | -526.046275 | -526.0689264 | -526.22715 | -525.6738776 | -525.579841 |
| (<i>c</i> , <i>c</i>) | -526.21014 | -526.043778 | -526.0666307 | -526.22425 | -525.6719561 | -525.577708 |
| $(c,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.210437 | -526.043901 | -526.0666077 | -526.224475 | -525.6718470 | -525.577637 |
| $(c,t)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.210031 | -526.043757 | -526.0659938 | -526.224204 | -525.6705199 | -525.576136 |
| $(x,\xi)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.195667 | -526.028199 | -526.0510819 | -526.209176 | -525.6566853 | -525.562368 |
| $(x,x)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.192897 | -526.025268 | -526.0480262 | -526.206151 | -525.6536287 | -525.559472 |
| $(x,c^{-})^{\ddagger}$ | -526.191578 | -526.024572 | -526.0471959 | -526.204998 | -525.6529728 | -525.558542 |
| (<i>t</i> ,β ⁻) | -526.209063 | -526.043211 | -526.0644452 | -526.223799 | -525.6684041 | -525.573716 |
| $(t,t)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.209299 | -526.043658 | -526.0646186 | -526.224109 | -525.668301 | -525.573527 |
| (<i>t</i> , <i>c</i>) | -526.202642 | -526.036308 | -526.0584195 | -526.216708 | -525.6634118 | -525.569055 |
| $(t,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.202608 | -526.035966 | -526.0579373 | -526.216545 | -525.6627418 | -525.568466 |

| species | BHandHLYP | B2GP- PLYP | DSD- PBEP86 | CAM- B3LYP | B2GP- PLYP-D3 | ωB97X-D3 |
|-------------------------|--------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|------------------|-------------|
| (c,x) | -526.1254845 | -525.973115 | -525.7614505 | -526.2164726 | -525.9752108 | -526.298022 |
| (c,c) | -526.1230495 | -525.970853 | -525.759385 | -526.2144995 | -525.9727942 | -526.296173 |
| $(c,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.1230149 | -525.970833 | -525.7593009 | -526.2144393 | -525.9727745 | -526.296042 |
| $(c,t)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.1218665 | -525.969718 | -525.7582023 | -526.213446 | -525.9716514 | -526.295147 |
| $(x,\xi)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.1077409 | -525.955126 | -525.7435051 | -526.1984711 | -525.9574435 | -526.28009 |
| $(x,x)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.1049884 | -525.952316 | -525.7405589 | -526.1957751 | -525.9544566 | -526.277315 |
| $(x,c^{-})^{\ddagger}$ | -526.1038392 | -525.951413 | -525.7398206 | -526.1951484 | -525.9534126 | -526.27677 |
| (t,β) | -526.1183962 | -525.967068 | -525.7558571 | -526.2103232 | -525.969054 | -526.292043 |
| $(t,t)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.1181986 | -525.967025 | -525.7558475 | -526.2103198 | -525.9689889 | -526.292058 |
| (<i>t</i> , <i>c</i>) | -526.1139265 | -525.962102 | -525.7507261 | -526.2056575 | -525.9640274 | -526.287546 |
| $(t,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | -526.1134926 | -525.961617 | -525.7501256 | -526.2051733 | -525.9635302 | -526.287014 |

| species B2GP- PLYP- D3(BJ) | | BHandHLYP- D3(BJ) | DSD- PBEP86- D3(BJ) |
|----------------------------------|--------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| (c,x) | -525.97819 | -526.135293 | -525.7122628 |
| (c,c) | -525.9758756 | -526.13274 | -525.7101228 |
| $(c,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | -525.9758517 | -526.132703 | -525.7100571 |
| $(c,t)^{\ddagger}$ | -525.9747294 | -526.13158 | -525.7089336 |
| $(x,\xi^{-})^{\ddagger}$ | -525.9603725 | -526.117889 | -525.6945111 |
| $(x,x)^{\ddagger}$ | -525.9574304 | -526.11488 | -525.6915184 |
| $(x,c^{-})^{\ddagger}$ | -525.9564414 | -526.113574 | -525.6906922 |
| (t,β) | -525.9723284 | -526.128612 | -525.706762 |
| $(t,t)^{\ddagger}$ | -525.9722724 | -526.128392 | -525.7067225 |
| (<i>t</i> , <i>c</i>) | -525.9671793 | -526.123771 | -525.7015734 |
| $(t,\sigma)^{\ddagger}$ | -525.9666967 | -526.123343 | -525.7010058 |

5. Optimized Geometries



Figure S3. Optimized geometry of (c,x^{-}) (in Å) at the MP2/def2-TZVPP level of theory.

| Η | 0.721085000 | 0.368172000 | 1.816017000 |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 0 | 2.216274000 | 1.180006000 | -0.012890000 |
| 0 | 2.463037000 | -1.006079000 | -0.516095000 |
| С | 1.882668000 | -0.126238000 | 0.072351000 |
| С | 0.714499000 | -0.331240000 | 0.988889000 |
| Η | 0.683988000 | -1.360208000 | 1.321743000 |
| Η | 2.952641000 | 1.227295000 | -0.639629000 |
| Ι | -1.082551000 | 0.021098000 | -0.087428000 |

Electronic MP2 energy (in E_h)

-525.2695839

Zero-point vibrational energy (in kcal mol⁻¹)



Figure S4. Optimized geometry of (c,c) (in Å) at the MP2/def2-TZVPP level of theory.

| Н | -1.488679000 | -0.869487000 | 0.880198000 |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 0 | -0.489989000 | -3.076502000 | 0.000000000 |
| 0 | 1.360610000 | -1.786273000 | 0.000000000 |
| С | 0.162058000 | -1.887934000 | 0.000000000 |
| С | -0.859820000 | -0.778803000 | 0.000000000 |
| Η | -1.488679000 | -0.869487000 | -0.880198000 |
| Η | 0.198965000 | -3.757026000 | 0.000000000 |
| Ι | 0.000000000 | 1.139597000 | 0.000000000 |

Electronic MP2 energy (in E_h)

-525.267412

Zero-point vibrational energy (in kcal mol⁻¹)



Figure S5. Optimized geometry of $(c, \sigma)^{\ddagger}$ (in Å) at the MP2/def2-TZVPP level of theory.

| Η | 0.767767000 | -1.044784000 | 1.442475000 |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 0 | 2.979534000 | -0.592323000 | -0.294521000 |
| 0 | 1.874658000 | 1.320681000 | 0.159964000 |
| С | 1.886546000 | 0.120544000 | 0.068984000 |
| С | 0.752458000 | -0.822609000 | 0.378883000 |
| Η | 0.850813000 | -1.743721000 | -0.182123000 |
| Η | 3.685379000 | 0.057247000 | -0.430034000 |
| Ι | -1.131538000 | 0.021071000 | -0.046058000 |

Electronic MP2 energy (in E_h)

-525.2673125

Zero-point vibrational energy (in kcal mol⁻¹)



Figure S6. Optimized geometry of $(c,t)^{\ddagger}$ (in Å) at the MP2/def2-TZVPP level of theory.

| Η | -1.539169000 | -0.841277000 | 0.878987000 |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 0 | 1.310651000 | -1.726095000 | 0.000000000 |
| 0 | -0.462452000 | -3.111791000 | 0.000000000 |
| С | -0.004388000 | -1.993378000 | 0.000000000 |
| С | -0.905569000 | -0.783013000 | 0.000000000 |
| Н | -1.539169000 | -0.841277000 | -0.878987000 |
| Н | 1.752483000 | -2.588539000 | 0.000000000 |
| Ι | 0.000000000 | 1.125142000 | 0.000000000 |

Electronic MP2 energy (in E_h)

-525.2659252

Zero-point vibrational energy (in kcal mol⁻¹)



Figure S7. Optimized geometry of (t,β) (in Å) at the MP2/def2-TZVPP level of theory.

| Η | 0.837021000 | 1.785161000 | 0.286426000 |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 0 | 1.876148000 | -1.306661000 | -0.114086000 |
| 0 | 3.049647000 | 0.545304000 | 0.267515000 |
| С | 1.998147000 | 0.025611000 | -0.002836000 |
| С | 0.784257000 | 0.884932000 | -0.312558000 |
| Η | 0.803328000 | 1.147132000 | -1.366820000 |
| Η | 0.943059000 | -1.526950000 | -0.253007000 |
| Ι | -1.107249000 | -0.014675000 | 0.037704000 |

Electronic MP2 energy (in E_h)

-525.2635142

Zero-point vibrational energy (in kcal mol⁻¹)



Figure S8. Optimized geometry of (t,c) (in Å) at the MP2/def2-TZVPP level of theory.

| Η | -1.469404000 | -0.873995000 | 0.884141000 |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 0 | -0.364410000 | -3.140632000 | 0.000000000 |
| 0 | 1.383391000 | -1.764388000 | 0.000000000 |
| С | 0.194030000 | -1.899184000 | 0.000000000 |
| С | -0.842023000 | -0.790420000 | 0.000000000 |
| Η | -1.469404000 | -0.873995000 | -0.884141000 |
| Η | -1.325079000 | -3.067796000 | 0.000000000 |
| Ι | 0.000000000 | 1.135728000 | 0.000000000 |
| | | | |

Electronic MP2 energy (in E_h)

-525.2584894

Zero-point vibrational energy (in kcal mol⁻¹)



Figure S9. Optimized geometry of $(t,t)^{\ddagger}$ (in Å) at the MP2/def2-TZVPP level of theory.

| Η | 0.837056000 | -1.547197000 | 0.882941000 |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 0 | 1.846138000 | 1.316213000 | 0.000060000 |
| 0 | 3.109556000 | -0.515961000 | -0.000058000 |
| С | 2.016268000 | -0.011891000 | 0.000012000 |
| С | 0.792613000 | -0.918932000 | 0.000074000 |
| Η | 0.837076000 | -1.547343000 | -0.882687000 |
| Η | 0.896227000 | 1.511182000 | 0.000095000 |
| Ι | -1.114513000 | 0.014458000 | -0.000016000 |

Electronic MP2 energy (in E_h)

-525.263416

Zero-point vibrational energy (in kcal mol⁻¹)



Figure S10. Optimized geometry of $(t, \sigma^{-})^{\ddagger}$ (in Å) at the MP2/def2-TZVPP level of theory.

| 1 | -0.758528000 | 0.776310000 | -1.613729000 |
|----|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 8 | -2.989778000 | 0.500388000 | 0.388210000 |
| 8 | -1.888486000 | -1.353459000 | -0.154499000 |
| 6 | -1.895769000 | -0.157600000 | -0.076306000 |
| 6 | -0.761468000 | 0.743402000 | -0.527747000 |
| 1 | -0.833300000 | 1.752861000 | -0.135786000 |
| 1 | -2.818439000 | 1.447321000 | 0.403969000 |
| 53 | 1.120374000 | -0.012580000 | 0.058494000 |
| | | | |

Electronic MP2 energy (in E_h)

-525.2579132

Zero-point vibrational energy (in kcal mol⁻¹)



Figure S11. Optimized geometry of $(x, \zeta)^{\ddagger}$ (in Å) at the MP2/def2-TZVPP level of theory.

| Η | 0.731266000 | -0.236010000 | 1.839643000 |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 0 | 2.098224000 | 1.243440000 | 0.200368000 |
| 0 | 2.622107000 | -0.802393000 | -0.620408000 |
| С | 1.894390000 | -0.110698000 | 0.037441000 |
| С | 0.736787000 | -0.640468000 | 0.833903000 |
| Η | 0.723496000 | -1.722470000 | 0.822277000 |
| Η | 1.597406000 | 1.727576000 | -0.464791000 |
| Ι | -1.067960000 | 0.022821000 | -0.076696000 |

Electronic MP2 energy (in E_h)

-525.2514413

Zero-point vibrational energy (in kcal mol⁻¹)



Figure S12. Optimized geometry of $(x,x)^{\ddagger}$ (in Å) at the MP2/def2-TZVPP level of theory.

| Η | -0.730566000 | -0.183539000 | -1.835500000 |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 0 | -2.135035000 | -1.220772000 | 0.114498000 |
| 0 | -2.512846000 | 0.968976000 | 0.546618000 |
| С | -1.889592000 | 0.129696000 | -0.042834000 |
| С | -0.727772000 | 0.435008000 | -0.944828000 |
| Η | -0.700367000 | 1.490733000 | -1.182110000 |
| Η | -2.717592000 | -1.527018000 | -0.588081000 |
| Ι | 1.076146000 | -0.021774000 | 0.080052000 |
| | | | |

Electronic MP2 energy (in E_h)

-525.2485335

Zero-point vibrational energy (in kcal mol⁻¹)



Figure S13. Optimized geometry of $(x, c^{-})^{\ddagger}$ (in Å) at the MP2/def2-TZVPP level of theory.

| Η | 0.872669000 | -1.534525000 | 0.768053000 |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 0 | 3.129267000 | -0.473524000 | -0.060856000 |
| 0 | 1.798444000 | 1.359083000 | -0.013995000 |
| С | 1.900043000 | 0.168590000 | -0.011498000 |
| С | 0.779412000 | -0.840312000 | -0.062425000 |
| Η | 0.868819000 | -1.408129000 | -0.984258000 |
| Η | 3.405000000 | -0.715928000 | 0.829329000 |
| Ι | -1.144244000 | 0.011404000 | 0.008099000 |

Electronic MP2 energy (in E_h)

-525.2476135

Zero-point vibrational energy (in kcal mol⁻¹)

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