

Table S2. Relative energies (eV) of frontier orbitals with respect to the HOMO for PtCl_6^{2-} and PtBr_6^{2-} complexes. Eigenvalues have been shifted in order to set the HOMO to 0eV.

PtCl_6^{2-} MO label	Occupation number	Pt 5d character (%)	PtCl_6^{2-} MO eigenvalue (eV)
9t _{1u}	0.	43.2	9.80
9a _{1g}	0.	40.	9.37
8a _{1g}	0.	50.2	6.30
5e _g	0.	35.6	2.04
1t _{1g} (HOMO)	6.	0.	0.
4t _{2g}	6.	26.6	-0.25
2t _{2u}	6.	0.	-0.59
8t _{1u}	6	0.	-0.62

PtBr_6^{2-} MO label	Occupation number	Pt 5d character (%)	PtBr_6^{2-} MO eigenvalues (eV)
10a _{1g}	0.	50	7.84
11t _{1u}	0.	16.9	7.20
9a _{1g}	0.	33.4	5.48
7e _g	0.	29.6	1.47
2t _{1g} (HOMO)	6.	0.	0.0
6t _{2g}	6.	22.3	-0.59
10t _{1u}	6.	0.	-0.62
4t _{2u}	6	0.	-0.63