

Electronic Supplementary Information

Two-Dimensional Iron-Phthalocyanine (Fe-Pc) Monolayer As a Promising Single-Atom-Catalyst for Oxygen Reduction Reaction: A Computational Study

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Table S1. Adsorption energies of O₂ molecule on TM-Pc monolayers (TM = Fe, Mn, Ni, Cu).

	Fe-Pc	Mn-Pc	Ni-Pc	Cu-Pc
E _{ad} (eV)	−0.83	−0.71	0.54	0.67

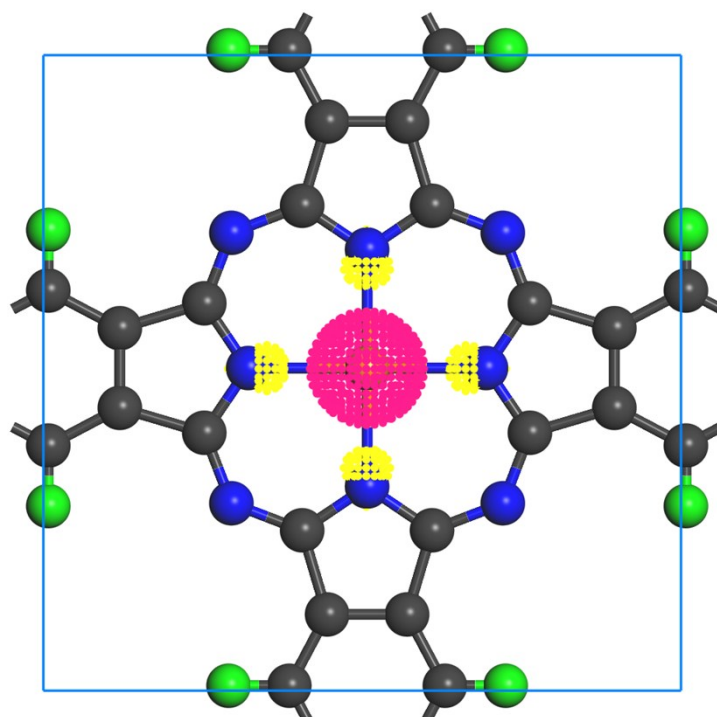


Fig. S1 Spin-polarized density for Fe-Pc monolayer in the 3D isosurface version with a value of 0.01 electrons Å⁻³. The spin up and spin down are represented in red and yellow, respectively.

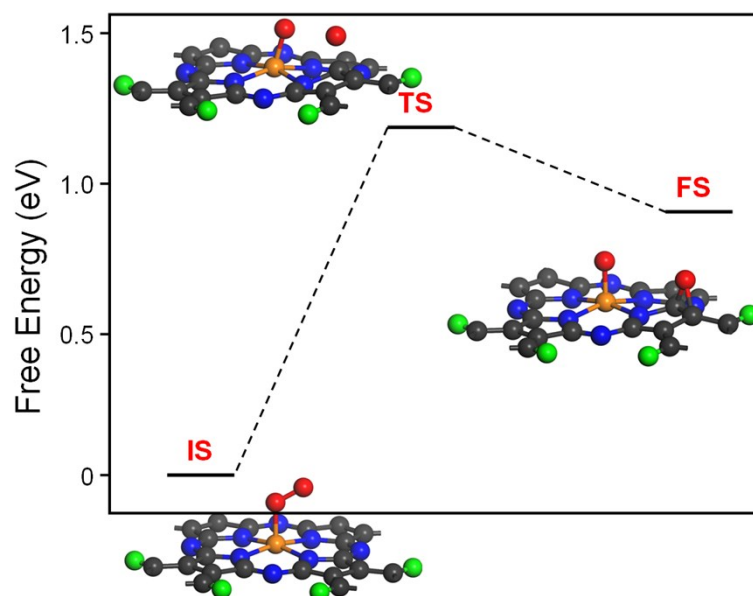


Fig. S2 Free energy profile for the O_2 dissociation reaction on the surface of Fe-Pc monolayer. The IS, TS, and FS represents initial state, transition state, and final state, respectively.

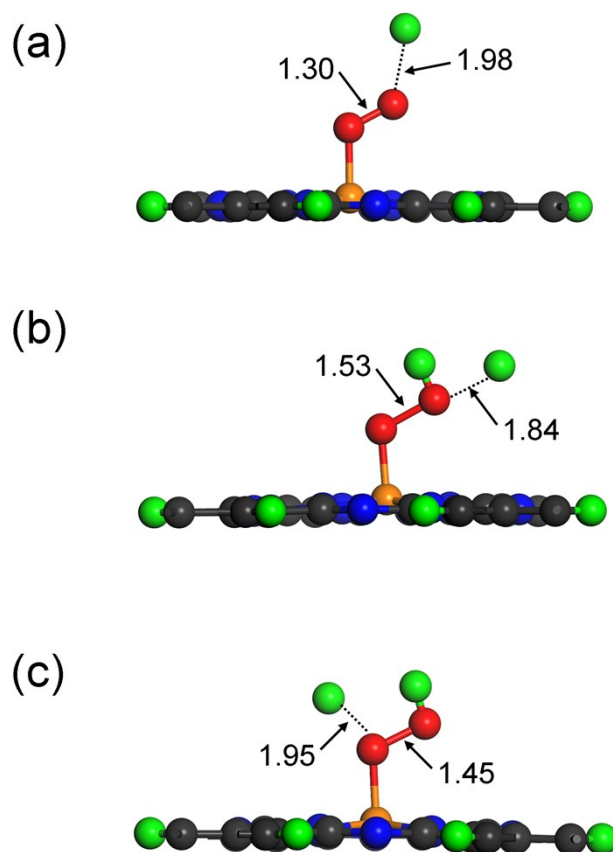


Fig. S3 The transition state structures of ORR step of (a) $\text{O}_2^* + \text{H}^+ + \text{e}^- \rightarrow \text{OOH}^*$, (b) $\text{OOH}^* + \text{H}^+ + \text{e}^- \rightarrow \text{O}^* + \text{H}_2\text{O}$, and (c) $\text{OOH}^* + \text{H}^+ + \text{e}^- \rightarrow ^* + \text{H}_2\text{O}_2$. The labeled distances are in angstroms.

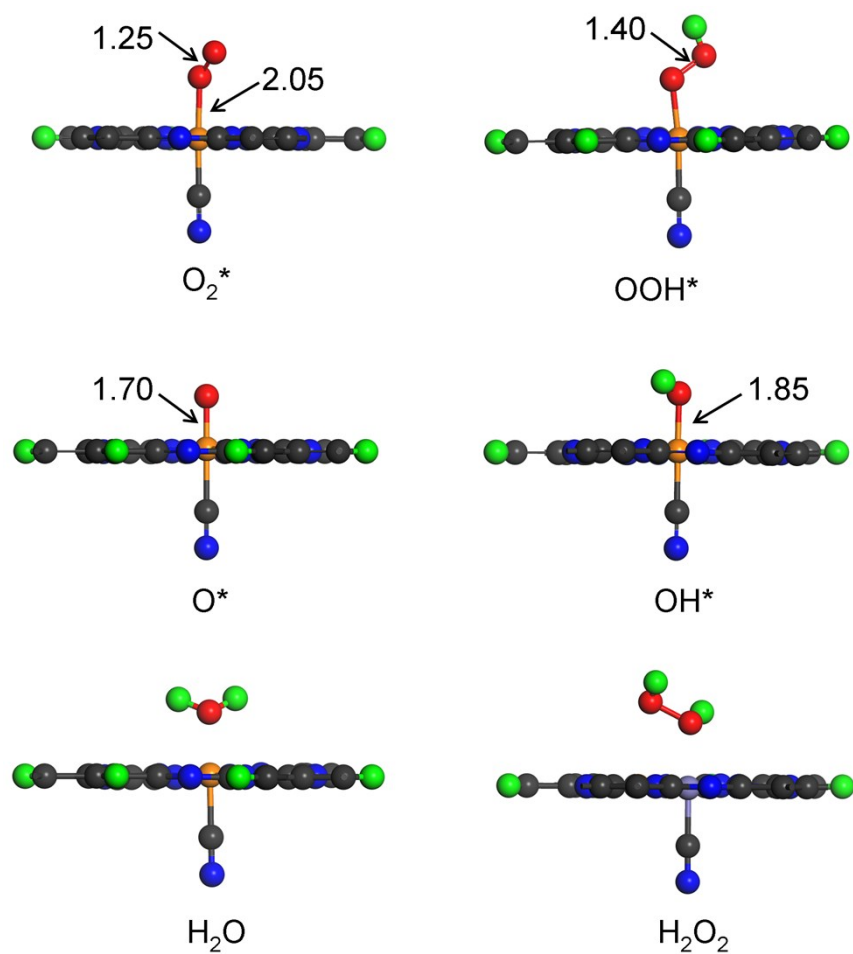


Fig. S4 The optimized geometric structures of various states (O_2^* , OOH^* , O^* , OH^* , H_2O , and H_2O_2) along the reaction path of ORR proceeded on Fe-Pc-CN monolayer.

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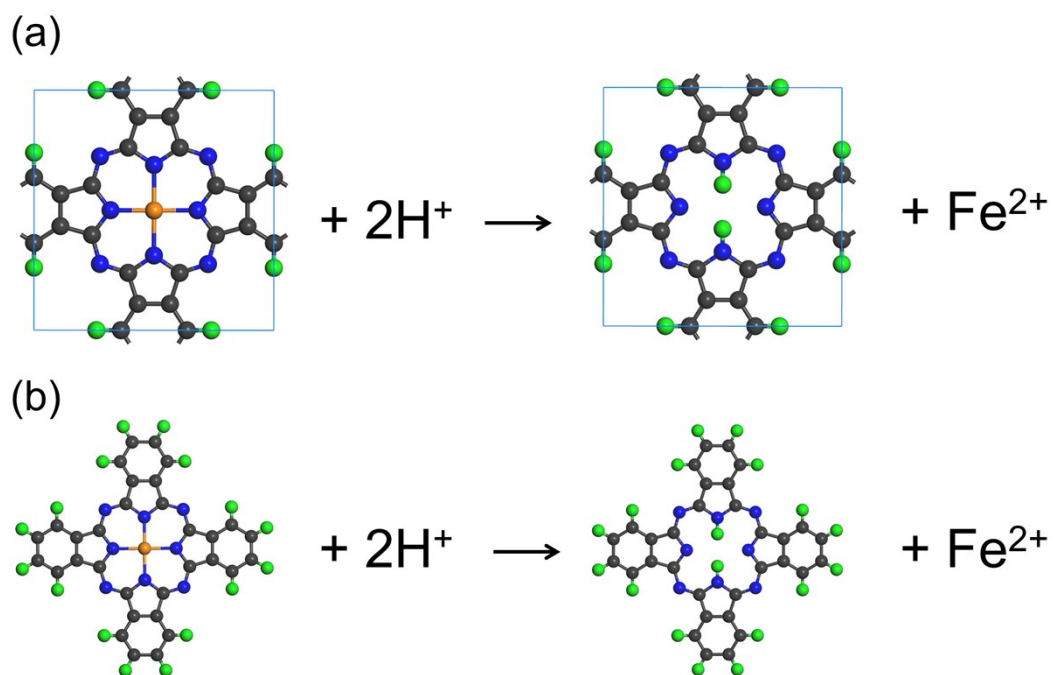


Fig. S5 Schematic diagrams of Fe/H substitution reaction for (a) Fe-Pc monolayer and (b) Fe-Pc molecule, respectively.

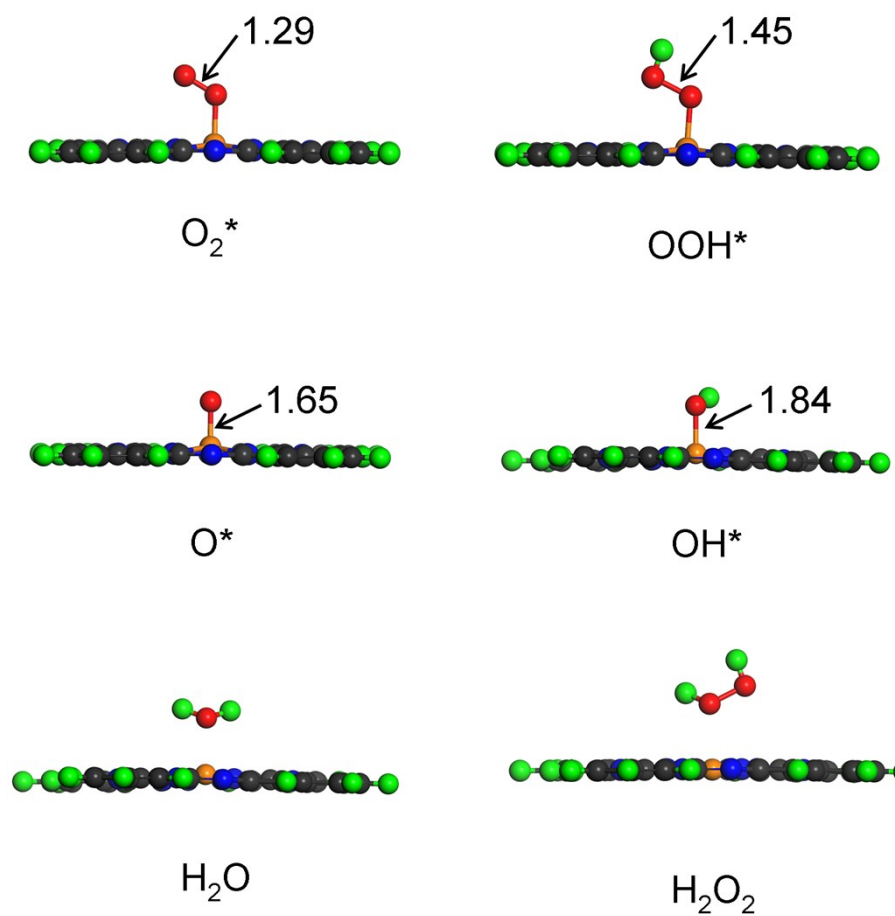


Fig. S6 The optimized geometric structures of various states (O_2^* , OOH^* , O^* , OH^* , H_2O , and H_2O_2) along the reaction path of ORR proceeded on Fe-Pc molecule. The labeled distances are in angstroms.

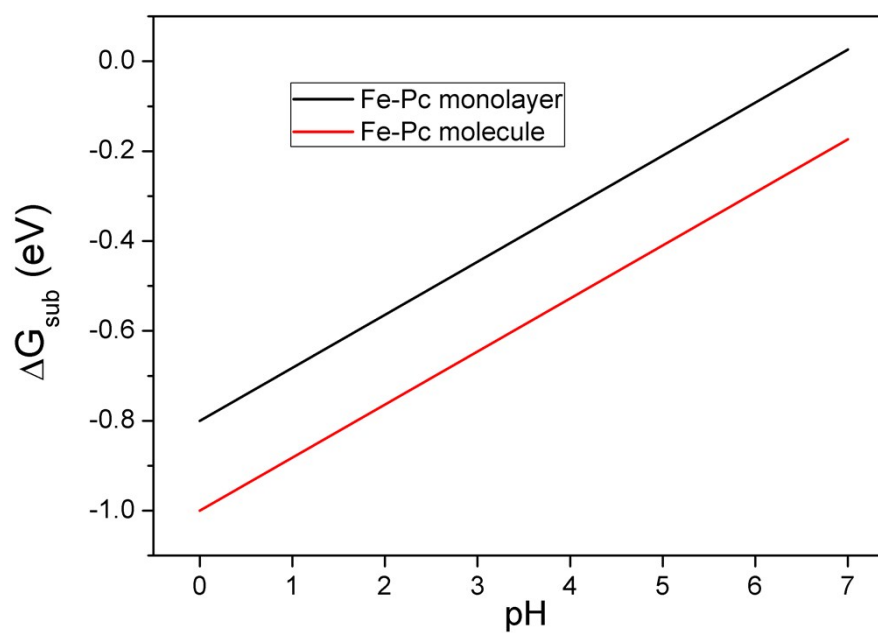


Fig. S7 The free energy change caused by substituting one Fe atom with two protons (ΔG_{sub}) in both Fe-Pc monolayer and molecule as a functional of pH.