

# Exploring the Low-lying Structures of $Au_n(CO)^+$ ( $n = 1-10$ ): Adsorption and Stretching Frequencies of CO on Various Coordination Sites

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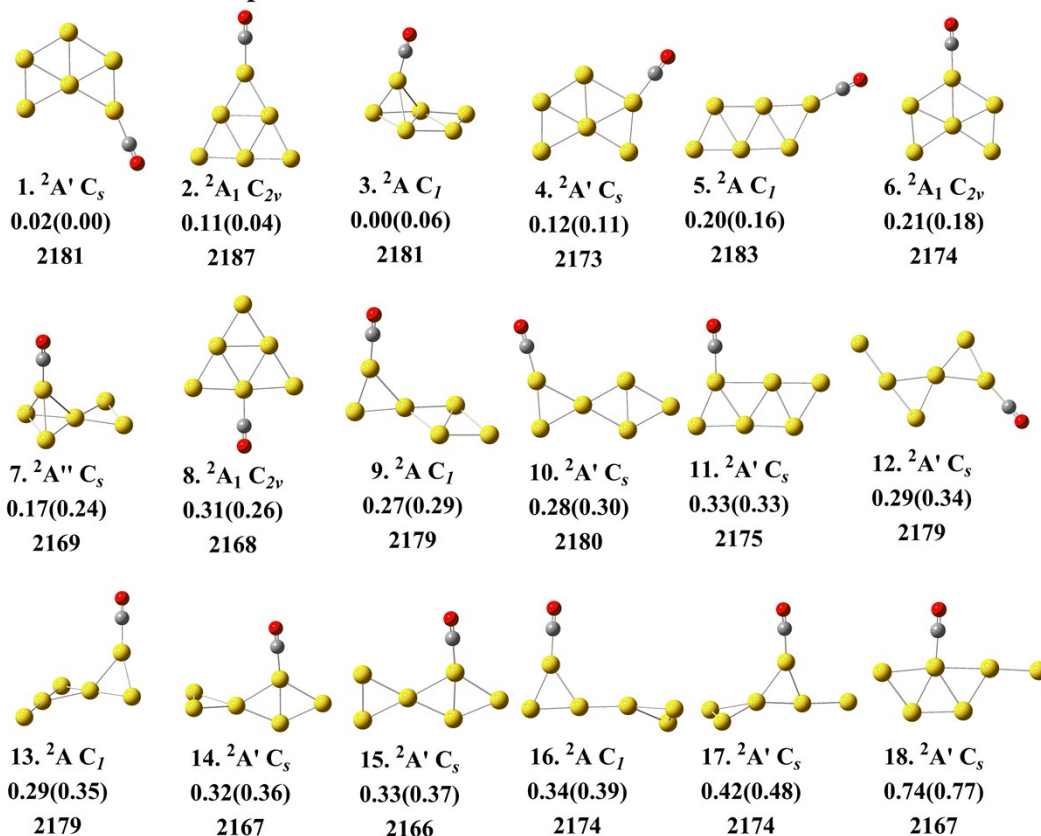
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Figure S1

The low lying structures of  $\text{Au}_6(\text{CO})^+$ . All structures were optimized at level I and the relative energies were recalculated at level II. Their electronic states and geometries are indicated. The numbers inside and outside of the parentheses indicate the relative energies from level I and level II, respectively. The structures with a terminal-bonded CO and a bridge-bonded CO are sequenced separately according to their relative energies from level II. Level I: B3LYP functional method with lanl2dz basis set for Au and 6-31G(d) basis sets for C and O. Level 2: B3LYP functional method with Aug-cc-PVTZ-PP basis set for Au and Aug-cc-PVTZ basis sets for C and O.

**$\text{Au}_6(\text{CO})^+$**   
**Head-on Adsorption**



**Bridge Adsorption**

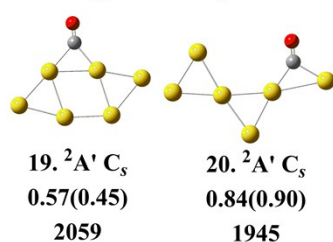
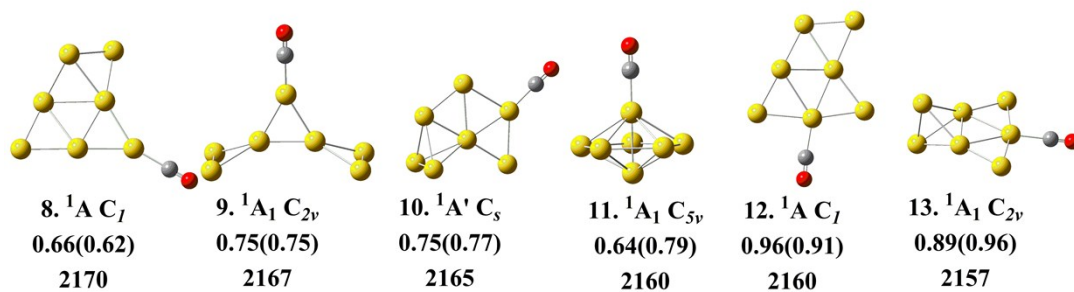
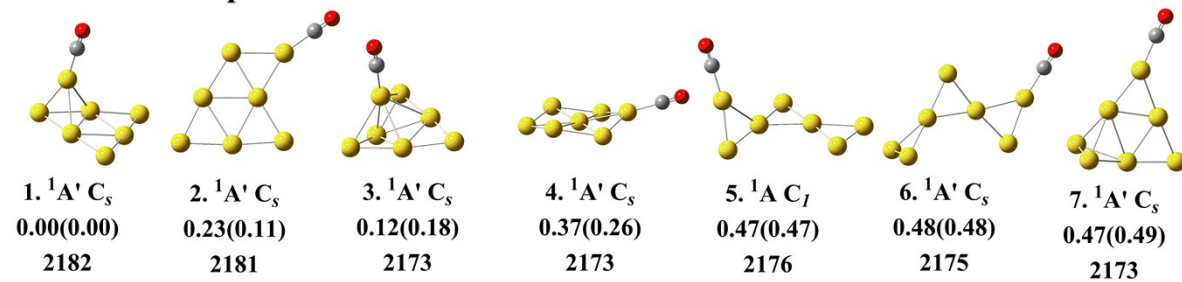


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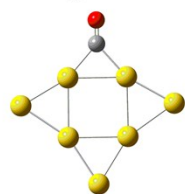
The low lying structures of  $\text{Au}_7(\text{CO})^+$  (similar to Figure S1).

### $\text{Au}_7(\text{CO})^+$

#### Head-on Adsorption



#### Bridge Adsorption



14.  ${}^1\text{A}_1\text{C}_{2v}$   
0.54(0.34)  
2065

Figure S3

The low lying structures of  $\text{Au}_8(\text{CO})^+$  (similar to Figure S1).

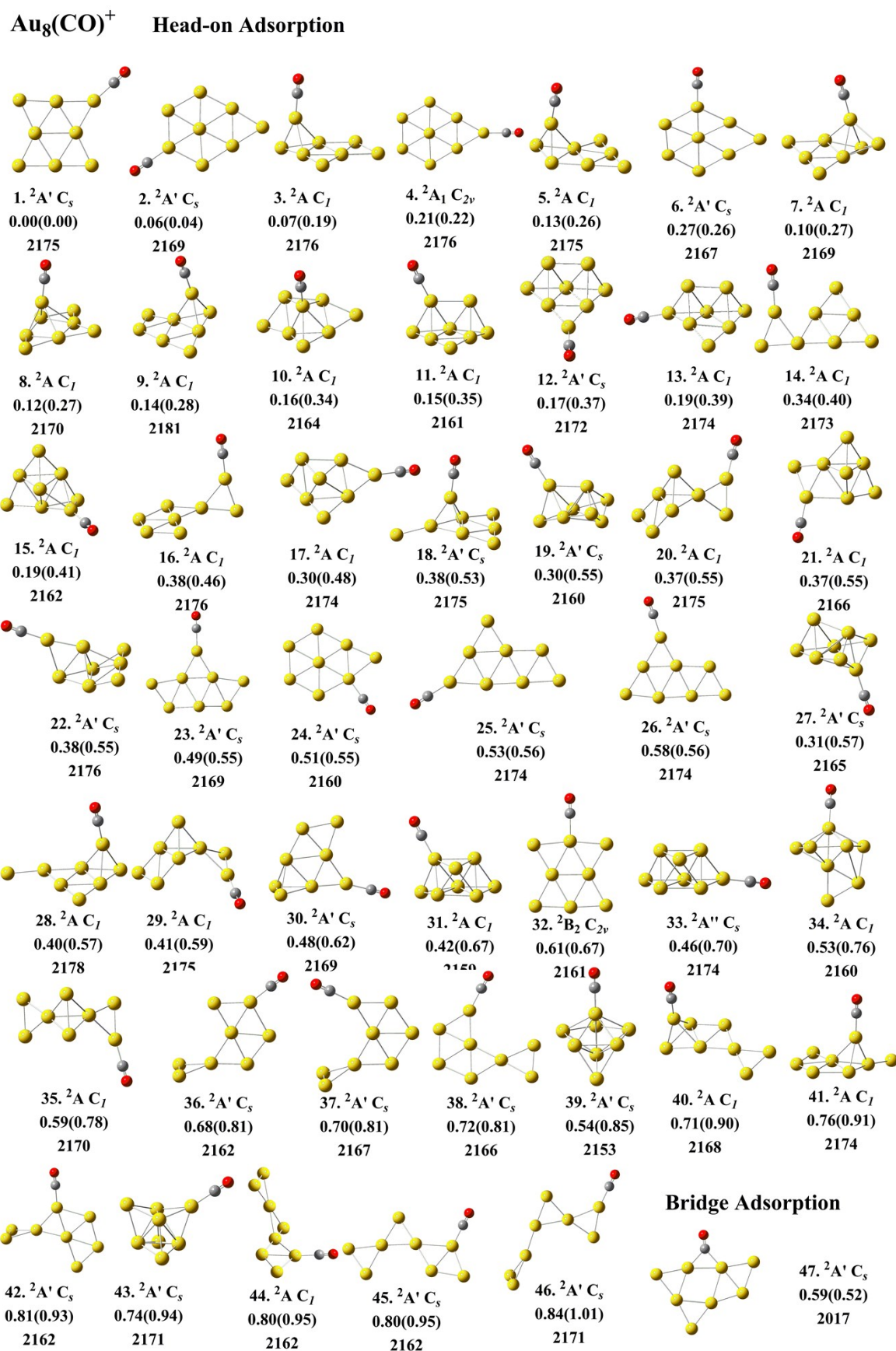


Figure S4

The low lying structures of  $\text{Au}_9(\text{CO})^+$  (similar to Figure S1).

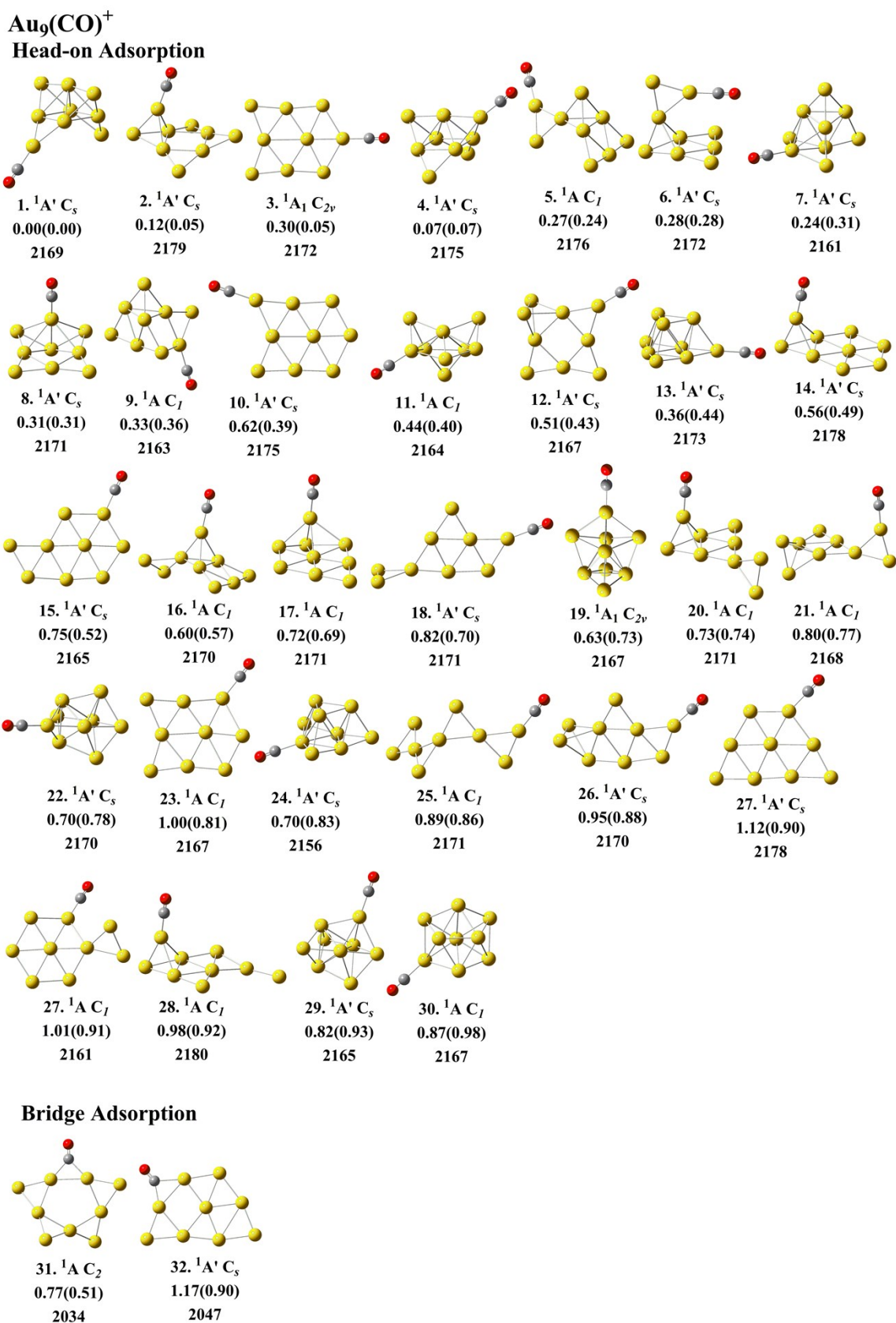




Figure S5

The low lying structures of  $\text{Au}_{10}(\text{CO})^+$  (similar to Figure S1).

