

**Supporting Information for:  
Unraveling the hydration-induced ground-state change of AtO<sup>+</sup> with relativistic and  
multiconfigurational wave-function-based methods**

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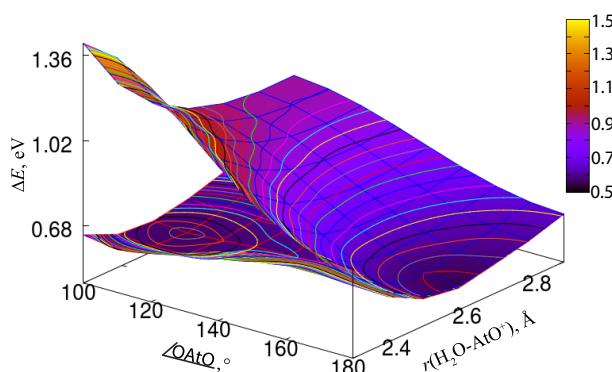


Figure S1 Evolution of the energies of the  $S_0(^1\Delta)$  and  $S_1(^1\Delta)$  electronic states of the AtO<sup>+</sup>(H<sub>2</sub>O) system computed at the NEVPT2/AVTZ level of theory as a function of the H<sub>2</sub>O-AtO<sup>+</sup> bond distance and of the  $\angle \text{OAtO}$  bond angle.

**Equation S1** c-SOCl compositions of the five lowest spin-orbit coupled states at the equilibrium spin-restricted-singlet  $\text{AtO}^+(\text{H}_2\text{O})_n$  ( $n=3\text{--}5$ ) geometries.

$$\begin{aligned}
 n = 3 & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} |\Psi_0\rangle = 73\% |S_0(^1\Delta)\rangle + \dots \\ |\Psi_1\rangle = 24\% |T_0(^3\Sigma^-)\rangle_{M_S=+1} + 24\% |T_0(^3\Sigma^-)\rangle_{M_S=-1} + 26\% |T_0(^3\Sigma^-)\rangle_{M_S=0} + \dots \\ |\Psi_2\rangle = 18\% |T_0(^3\Sigma^-)\rangle_{M_S=+1} + 18\% |T_0(^3\Sigma^-)\rangle_{M_S=-1} + 33\% |T_0(^3\Sigma^-)\rangle_{M_S=0} + \dots \\ |\Psi_3\rangle = 44\% |T_0(^3\Sigma^-)\rangle_{M_S=+1} + 44\% |T_0(^3\Sigma^-)\rangle_{M_S=-1} + \dots \\ |\Psi_4\rangle = 76\% |S_1(^1\Delta)\rangle + \dots \end{array} \right. \\
 n = 4 & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} |\Psi_0\rangle = 82\% |S_0(^1\Delta)\rangle + \dots \\ |\Psi_1\rangle = 36\% |T_0(^3\Sigma^-)\rangle_{M_S=+1} + 36\% |T_0(^3\Sigma^-)\rangle_{M_S=-1} + 25\% |T_1(^3\Pi)\rangle_{M_S=0} + \dots \\ |\Psi_2\rangle = 43\% |T_0(^3\Sigma^-)\rangle_{M_S=+1} + 43\% |T_0(^3\Sigma^-)\rangle_{M_S=-1} + \dots \\ |\Psi_3\rangle = 11\% |T_1(^3\Pi)\rangle_{M_S=+1} + 11\% |T_1(^3\Pi)\rangle_{M_S=-1} + 58\% |T_0(^3\Sigma^-)\rangle_{M_S=0} + \dots \\ |\Psi_4\rangle = 55\% |S_1(^1\Delta)\rangle + 21\% |T_1(^3\Pi)\rangle_{M_S=+1} + 21\% |T_1(^3\Pi)\rangle_{M_S=-1} + \dots \end{array} \right. \\
 n = 5 & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} |\Psi_0\rangle = 83\% |S_0(^1\Delta)\rangle + \dots \\ |\Psi_1\rangle = 32\% |T_0(^3\Sigma^-)\rangle_{M_S=+1} + 32\% |T_0(^3\Sigma^-)\rangle_{M_S=-1} + 33\% |T_1(^3\Pi)\rangle_{M_S=0} + \dots \\ |\Psi_2\rangle = 41\% |T_0(^3\Sigma^-)\rangle_{M_S=+1} + 41\% |T_0(^3\Sigma^-)\rangle_{M_S=-1} + \dots \\ |\Psi_3\rangle = 16\% |T_1(^3\Pi)\rangle_{M_S=+1} + 16\% |T_1(^3\Pi)\rangle_{M_S=-1} + 50\% |T_0(^3\Sigma^-)\rangle_{M_S=0} + \dots \\ |\Psi_4\rangle = 44\% |S_1(^1\Delta)\rangle + 26\% |T_1(^3\Pi)\rangle_{M_S=+1} + 26\% |T_1(^3\Pi)\rangle_{M_S=-1} \dots \end{array} \right. 
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