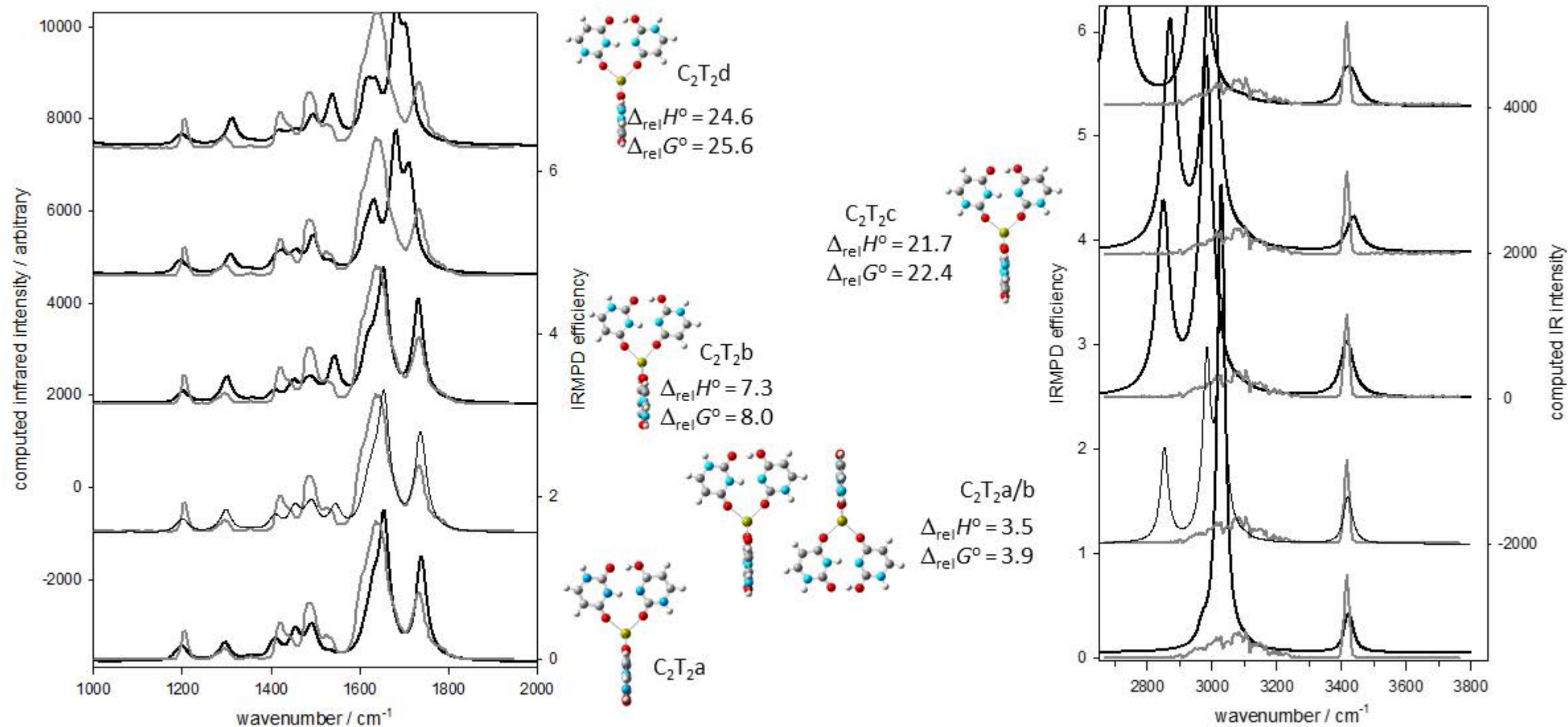


Figure S1



Comparison of the experimental IRMPD spectrum (grey trace) for  $U_4Ca^{2+}$  and the B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p) computed IR spectra (black traces) for five different isomers. The 298 K enthalpies and Gibbs energies relative to structure  $C_2T_2a$  are also shown (also computed using B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p)).

Figure S2

Comparison of the experimental IRMPD spectrum in the C-H/N-H/O-H stretch region (grey trace) for  $U_6Ca^{2+}$  and the B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p) computed IR spectra (black traces) for five different isomers. The 298 K enthalpies and Gibbs energies relative to structure  $C_4T_2a$  are also shown (also computed using B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p)). The experimental spectrum is complimentary to that in the fingerprint region seen in Figure 3.

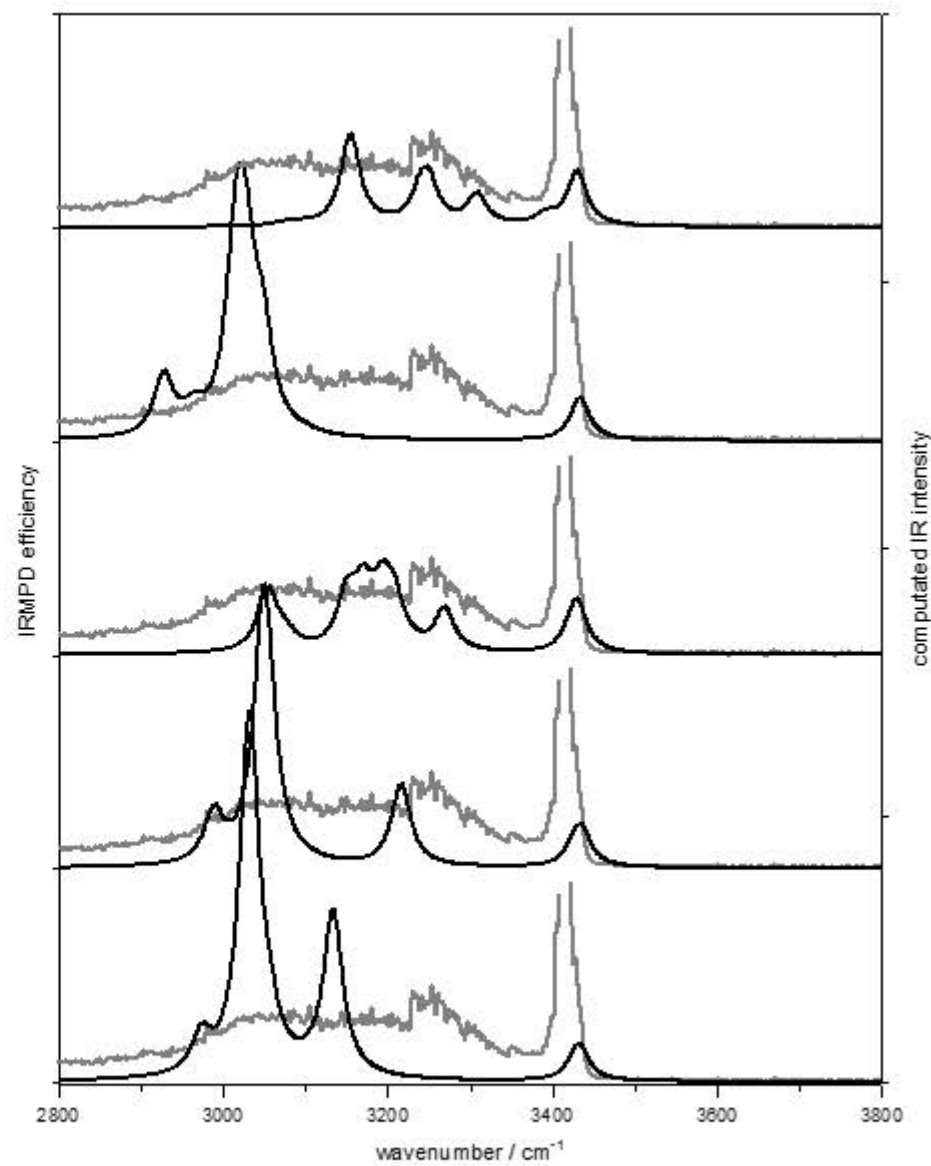
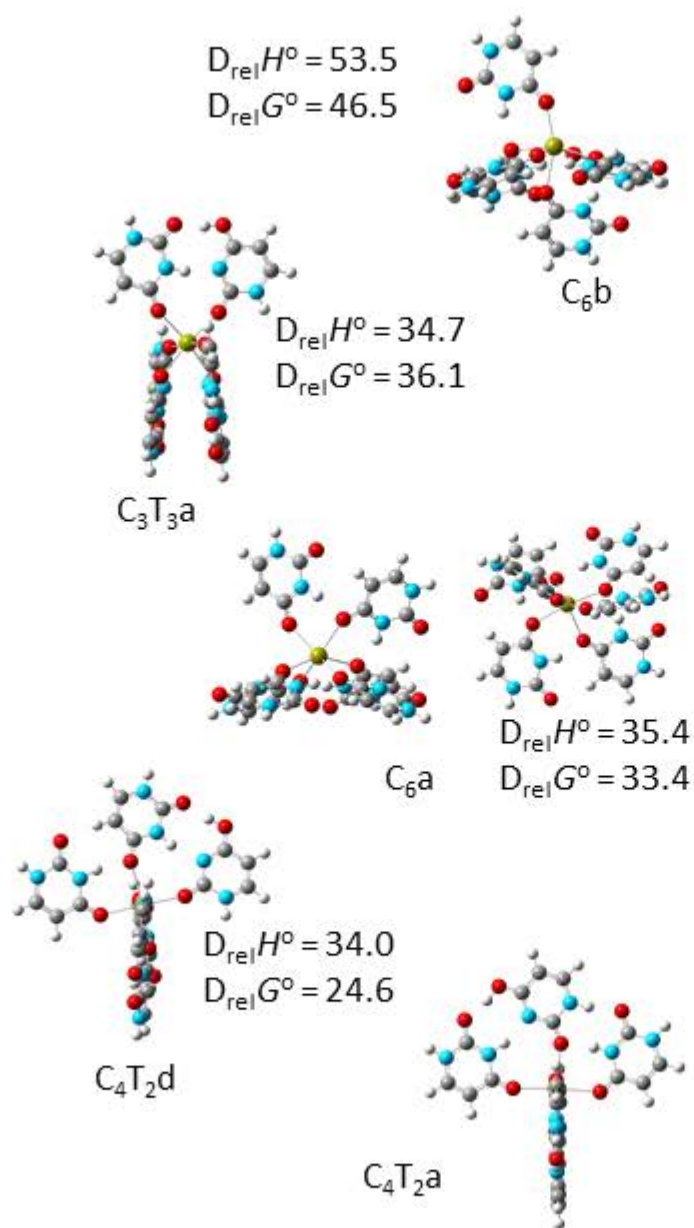
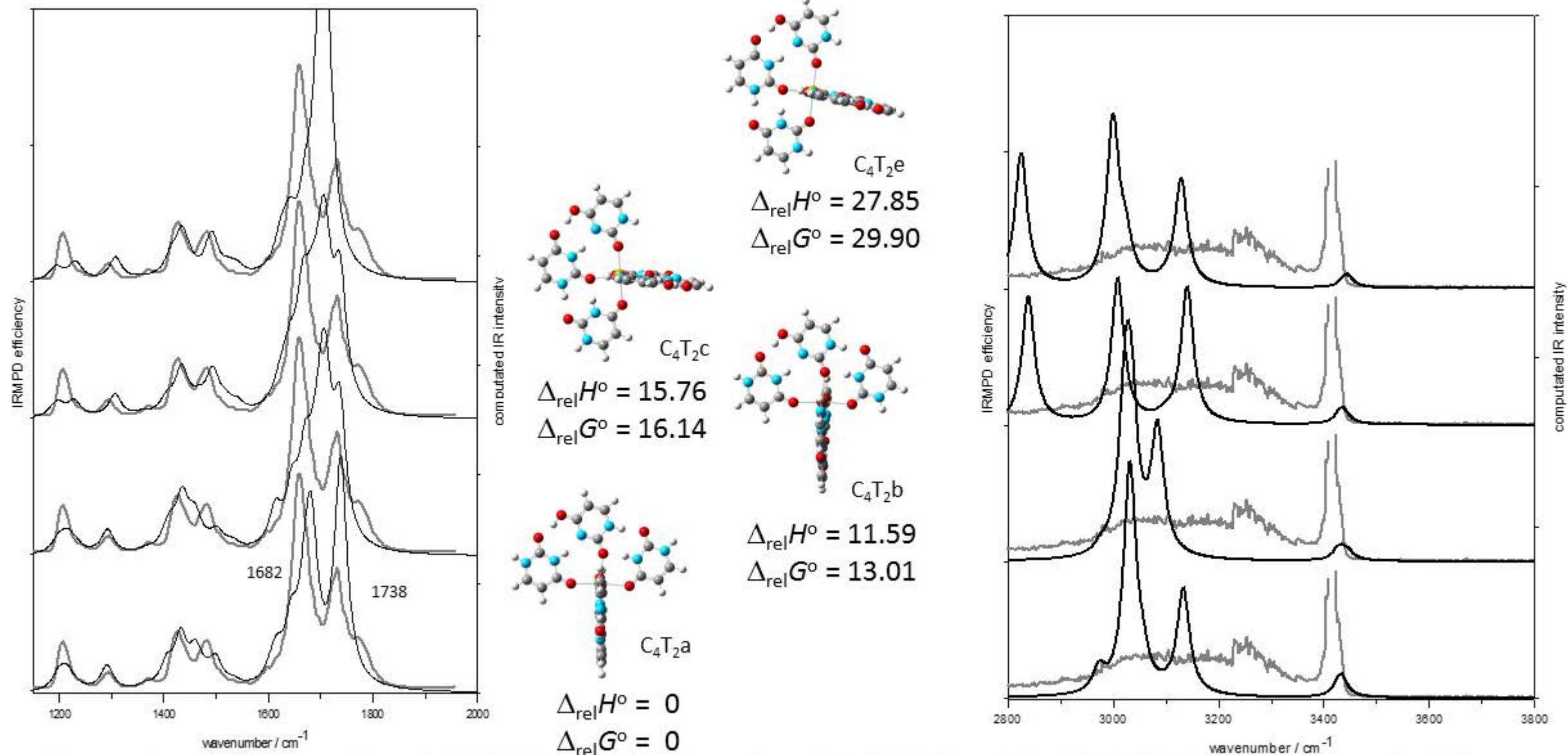


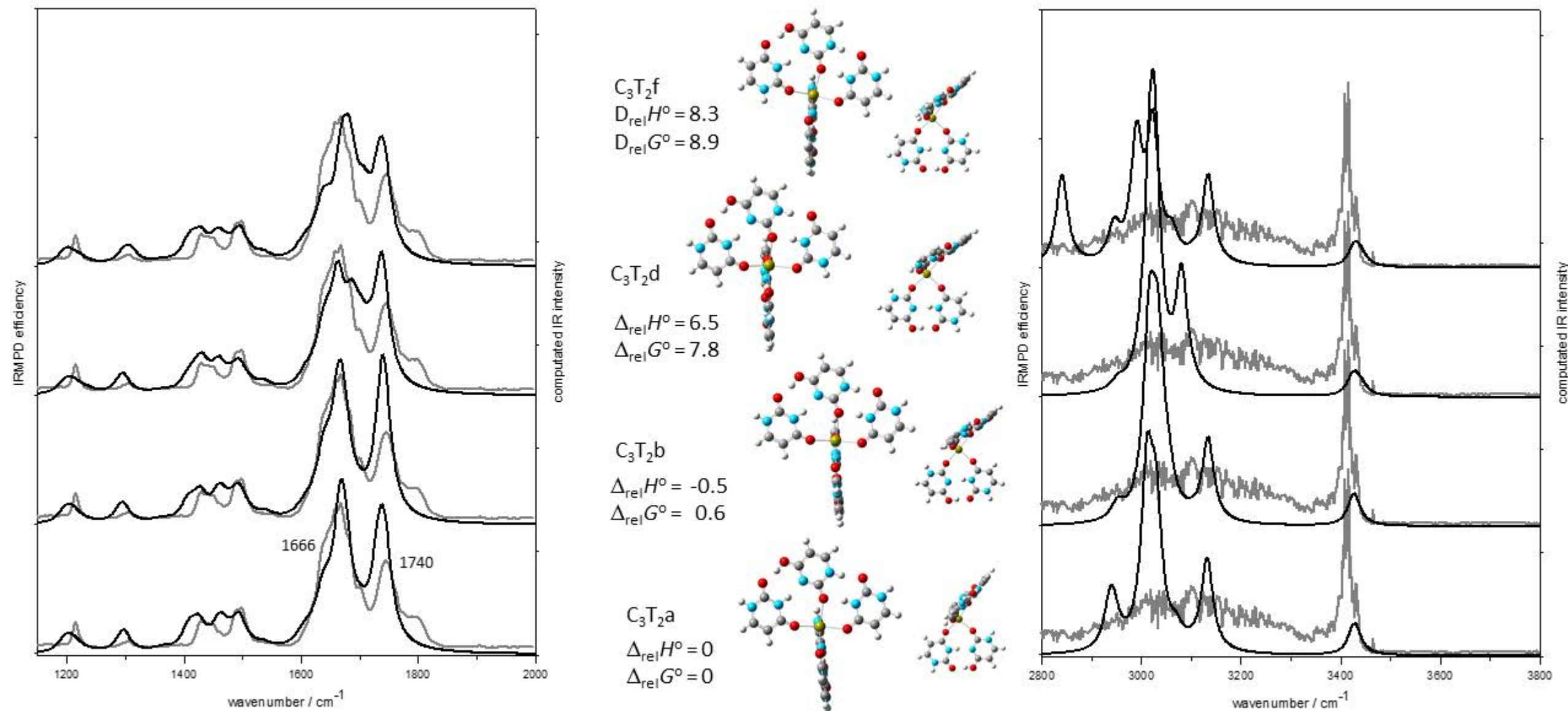
Figure S3



Comparison of the experimental IRMPD spectrum (grey trace) for  $\text{U}_6\text{Ca}^{2+}$  and the B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p) computed IR spectra (black traces) for four different isomers. The 298 K enthalpies and Gibbs energies relative to structure  $\text{C}_4\text{T}_2\text{a}$  are also shown (also computed using B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p)).



Figure S4



Comparison of the experimental IRMPD spectrum (grey trace) for  $U_5Ca^{2+}$  and the B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p) computed IR spectra (black traces) for four different isomers. The 298 K enthalpies and Gibbs energies relative to structure  $C_3T_2a$  are also shown (also computed using B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p)).

Figure S5

Comparison of the experimental IRMPD spectrum in the C-H/N-H/O-H stretch region (grey trace) for  $U_5Ca^{2+}$  and the B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p) computed IR spectra (black traces) for five different isomers. The 298 K enthalpies and Gibbs energies relative to structure  $C_3T_2a$  are also shown (also computed using B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p)). The experimental spectrum is complimentary to that in the fingerprint region seen in Figure 4.

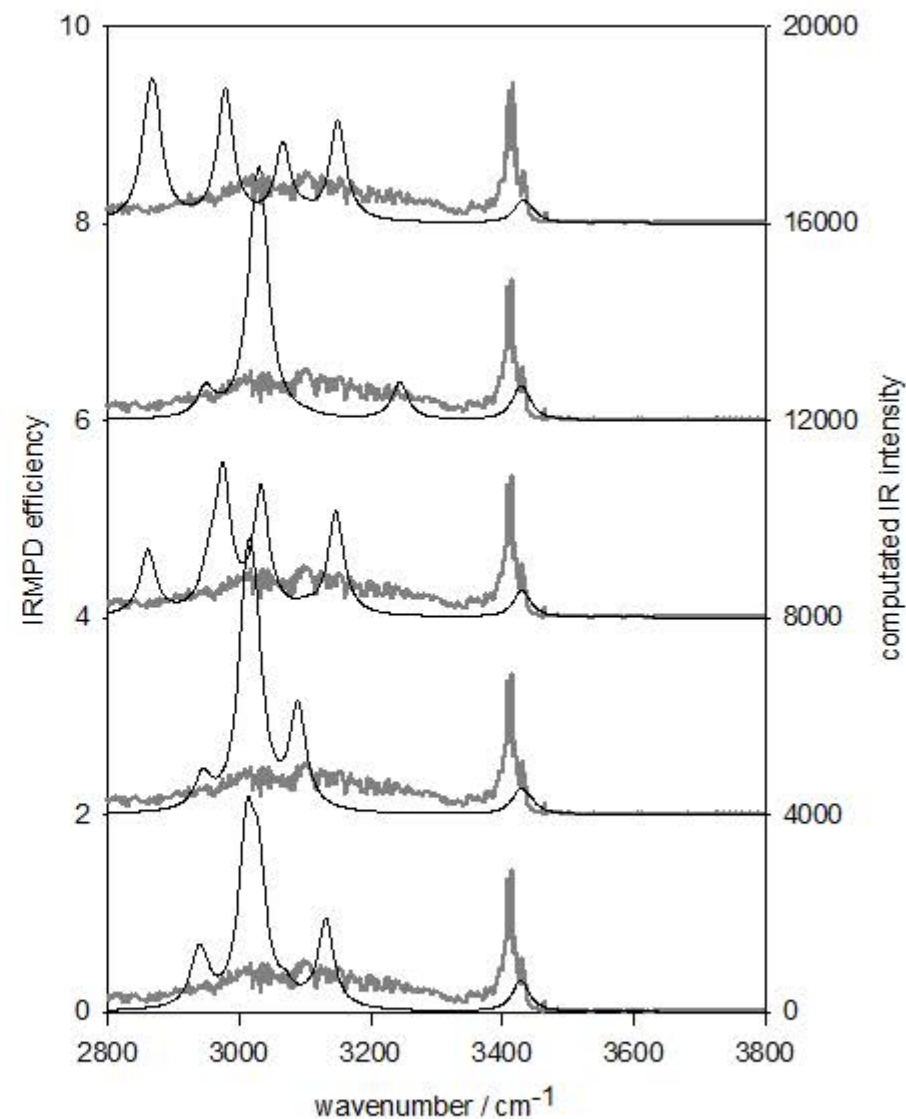
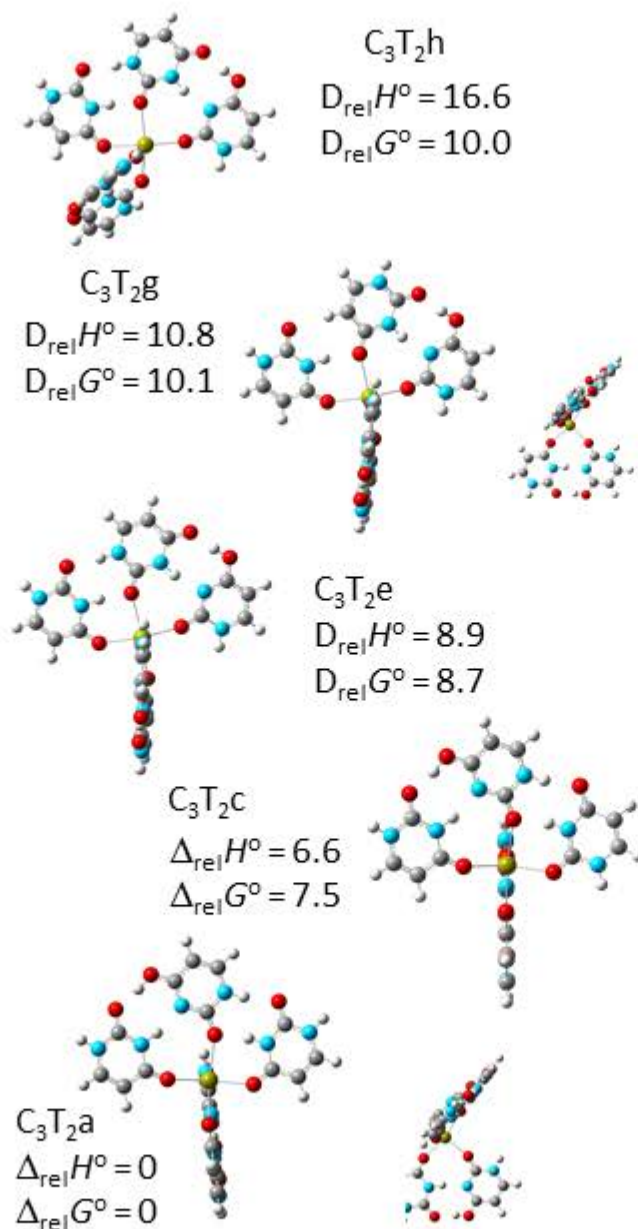
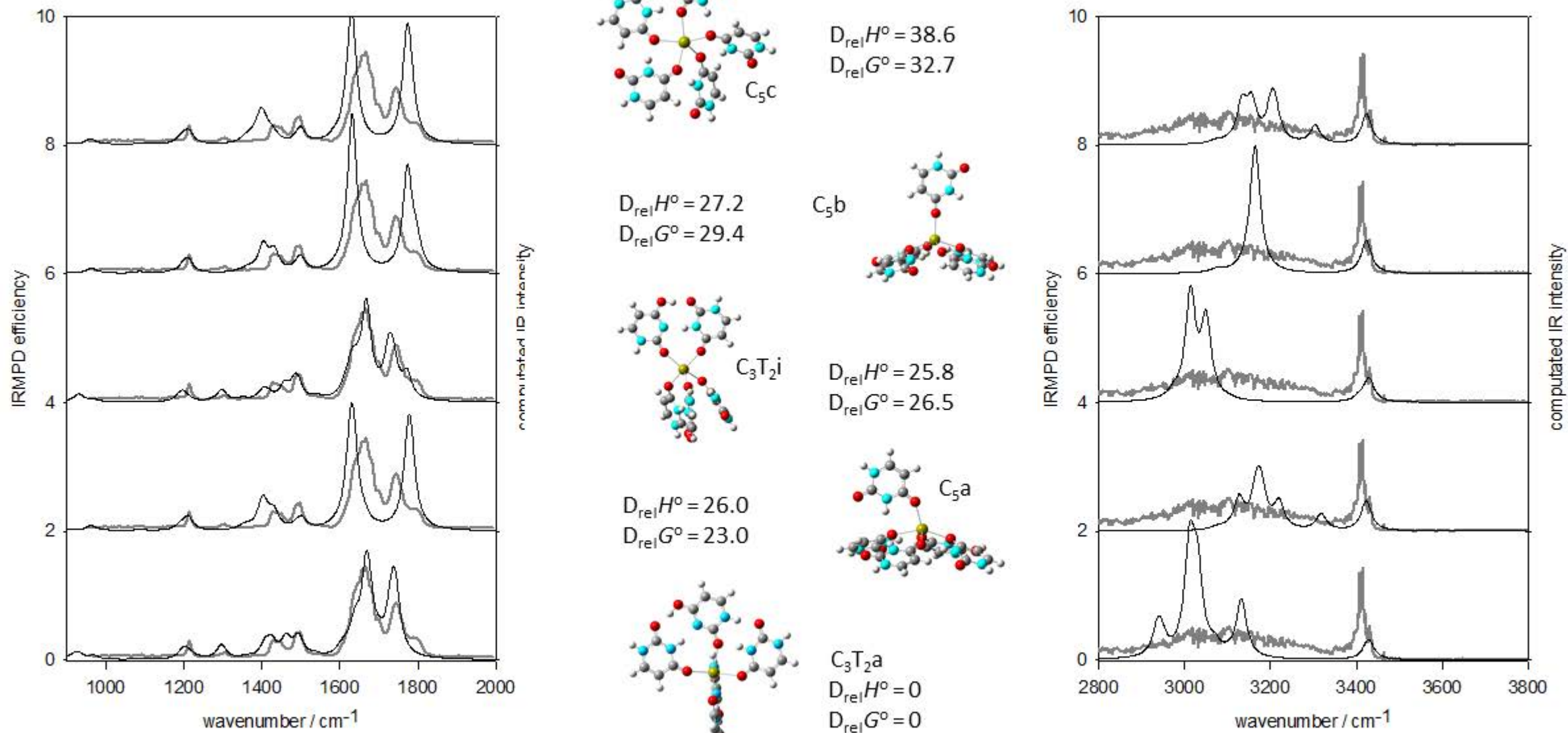


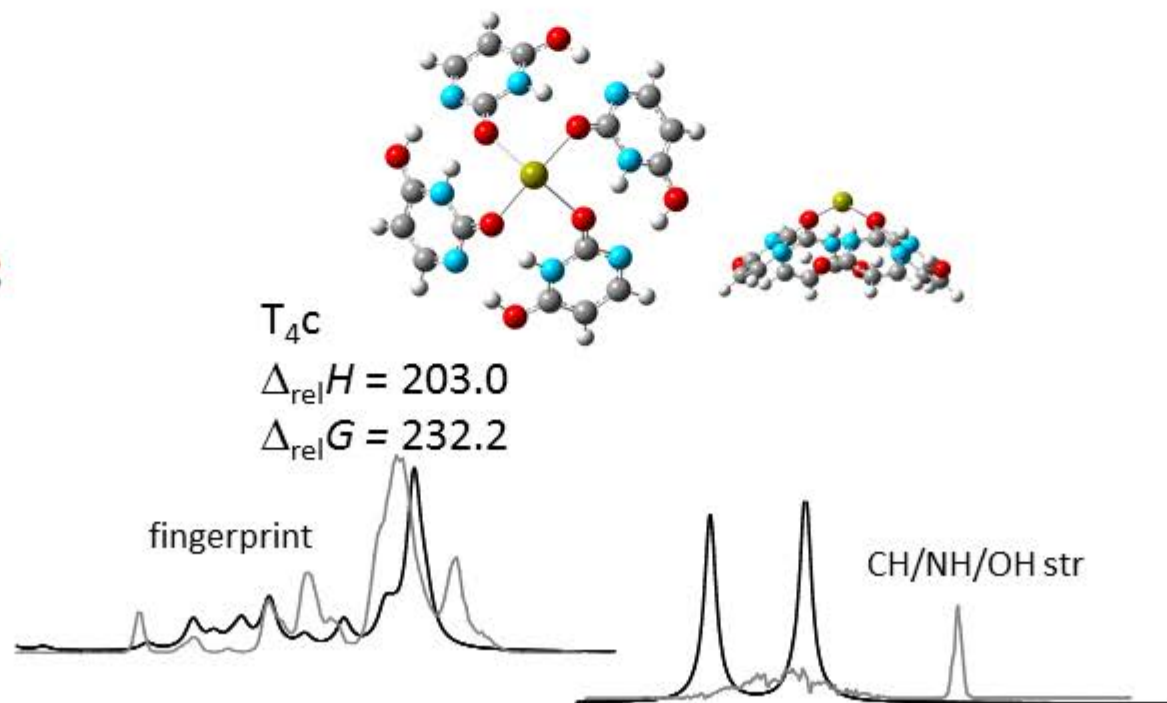
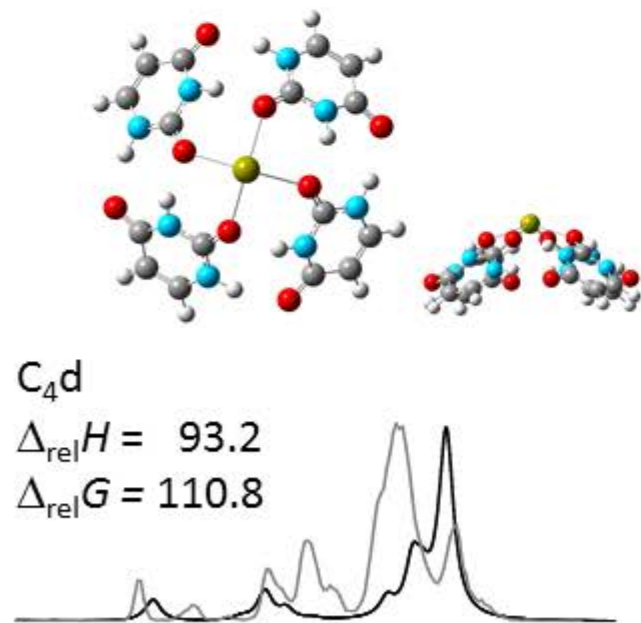
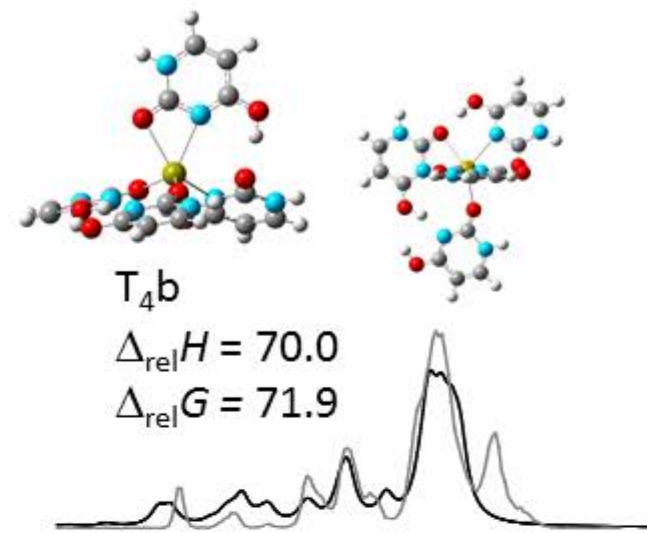
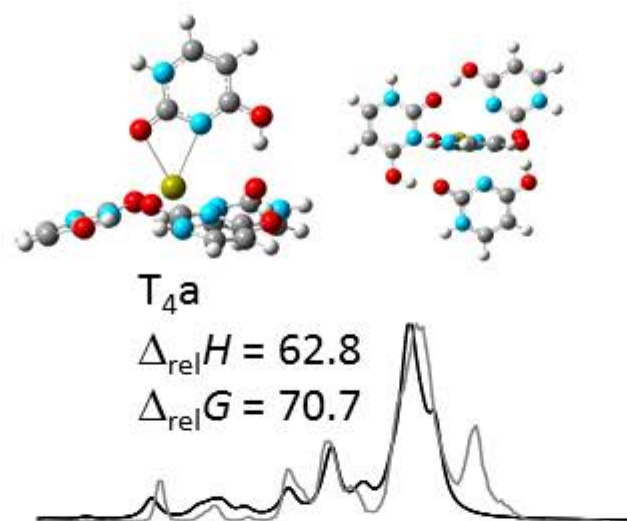
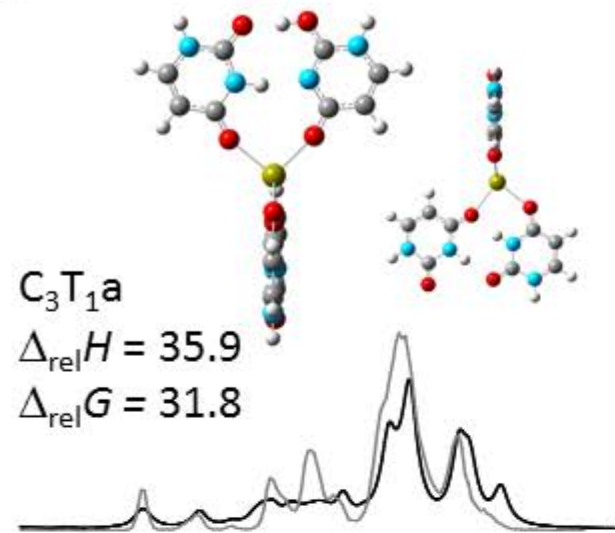
Figure S6



Comparison of the experimental IRMPD spectrum (grey trace) for  $U_5Ca^{2+}$  and the B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p) computed IR spectra (black traces) for five different isomers. The 298 K enthalpies and Gibbs energies relative to structure  $C_3T_2a$  are also shown (also computed using B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p)).

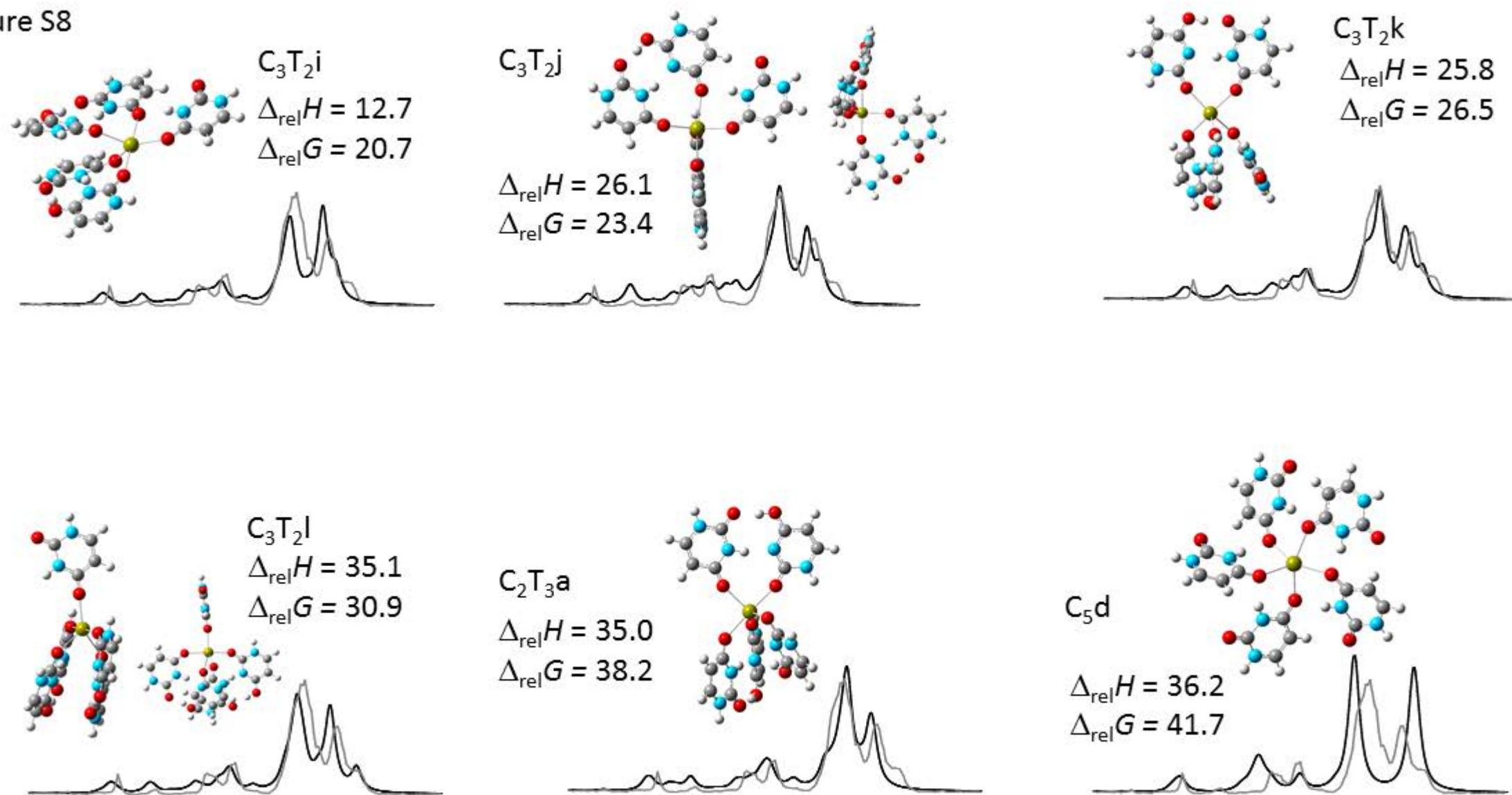


Figure S7



Some other higher energy  $U_4Ca^{2+}$  structures along with their energies and 298 K Gibbs energies relative to  $C_2T_2a$  and computed IR spectra (black trace) compared to the experimental IRMPD spectrum (grey trace).

Figure S8



Some other higher energy  $U_5Ca^{2+}$  structures along with their energies and 298 K Gibbs energies relative to  $C_3T_2a$  and computed IR spectra (black trace) compared to the experimental IRMPD spectrum (grey trace).



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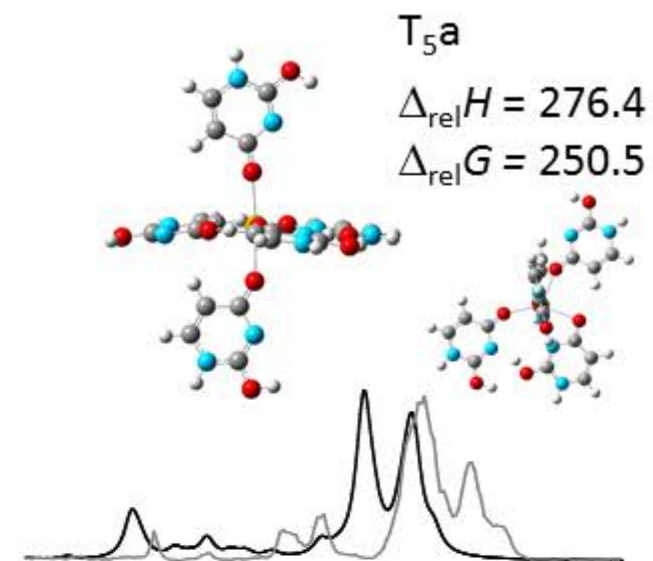
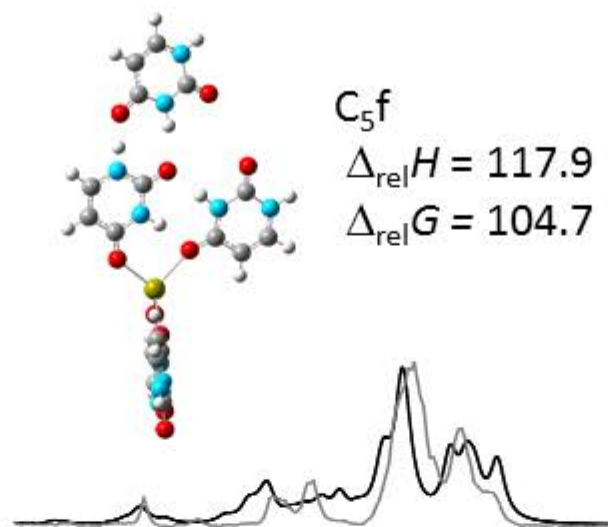
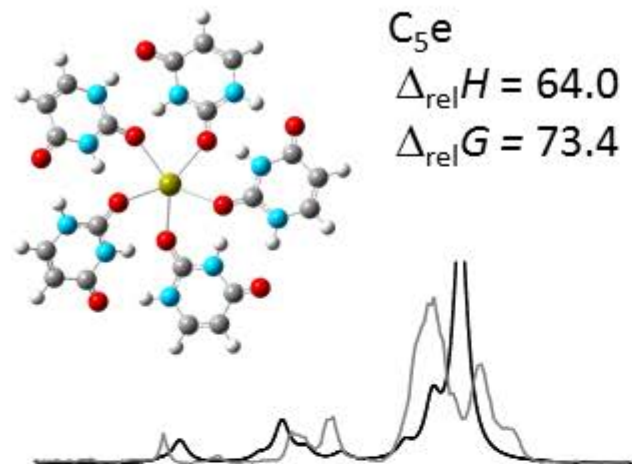
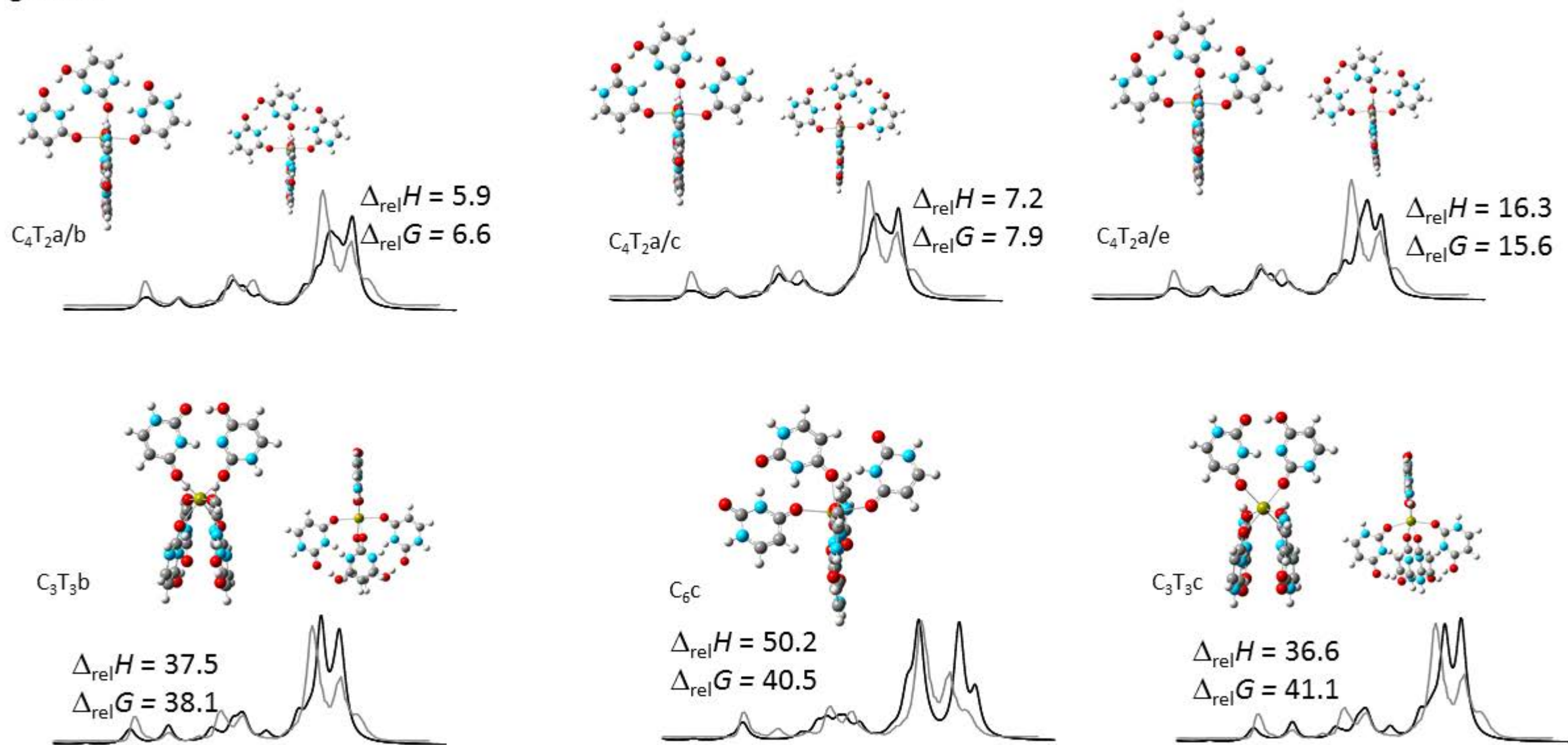


Figure S9



Some other higher energy  $U_6Ca^{2+}$  structures along with their energies and 298 K Gibbs energies relative to  $C_4T_2a$  and computed IR spectra (black trace) compared to the experimental IRMPD spectrum (grey trace).

Figure S9 continued

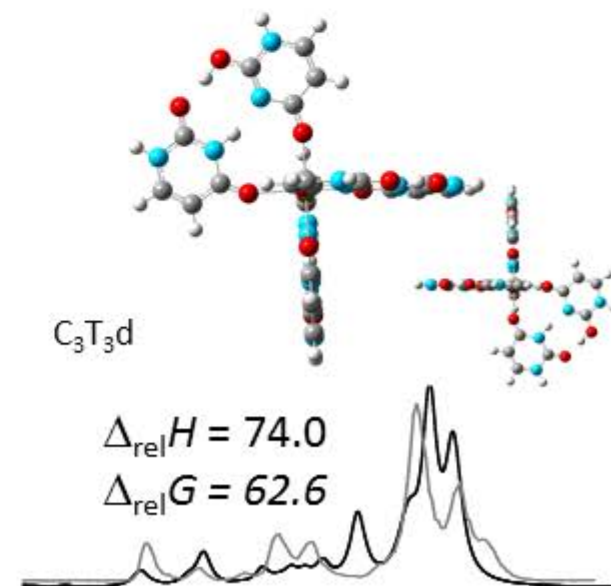
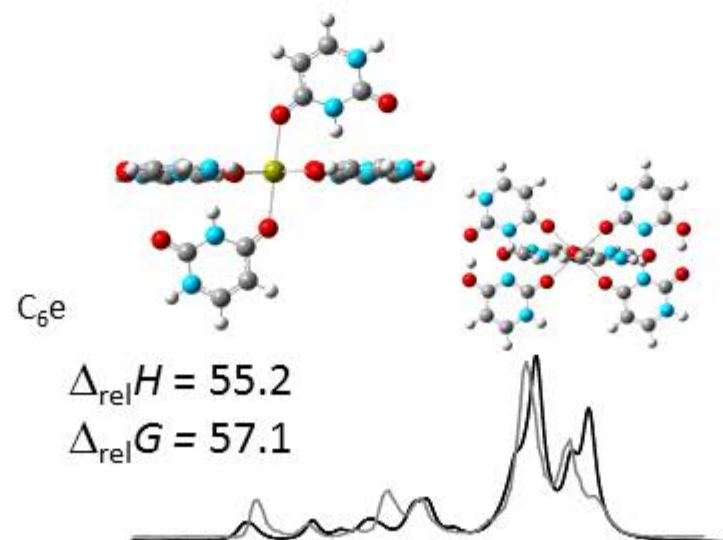
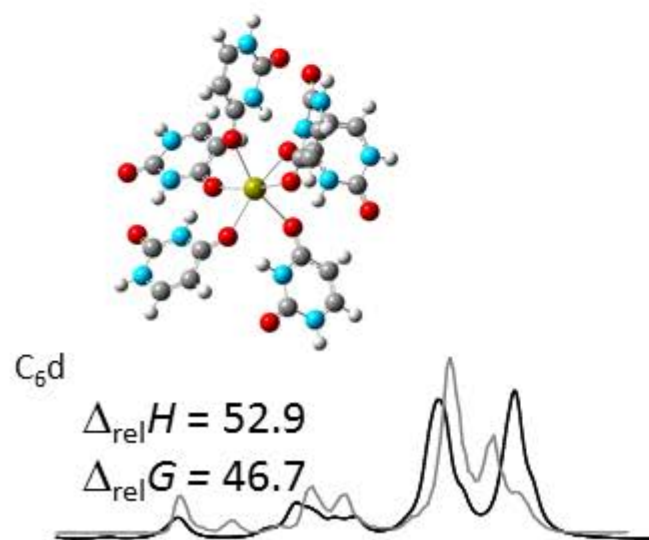
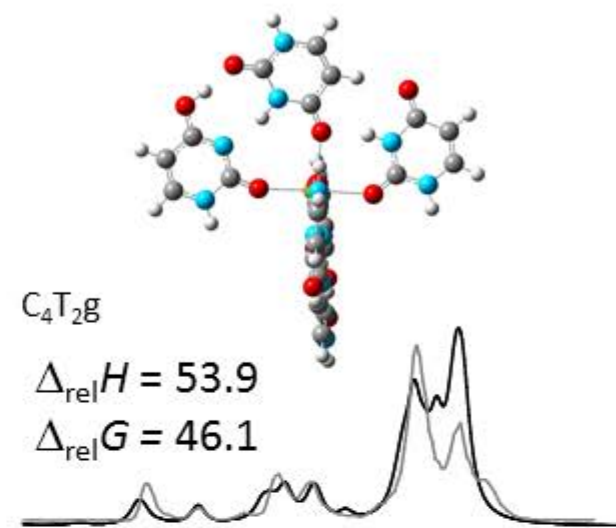
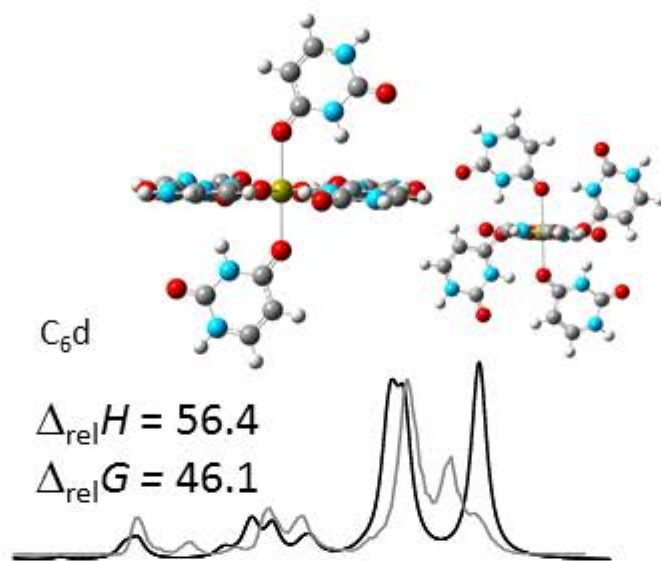
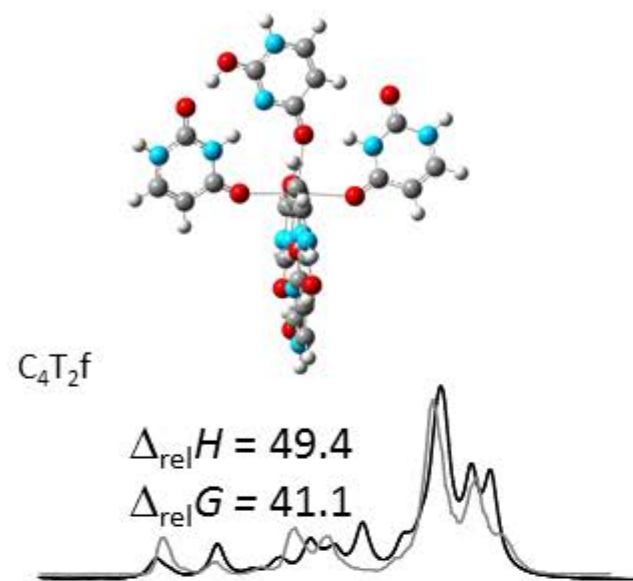




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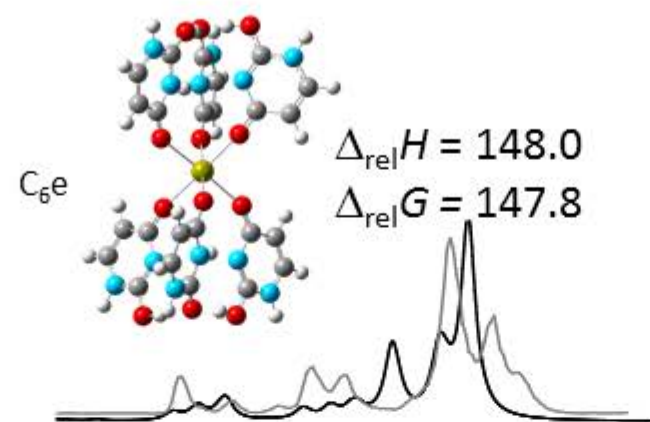


Figure S10. Mass spectra following  $3420\text{ cm}^{-1}$  irradiation of isolated A)  $\text{U}_4\text{Ca}^{2+}$ , B)  $\text{U}_5\text{Ca}^{2+}$ , and C)  $\text{U}_6\text{Ca}^{2+}$ .

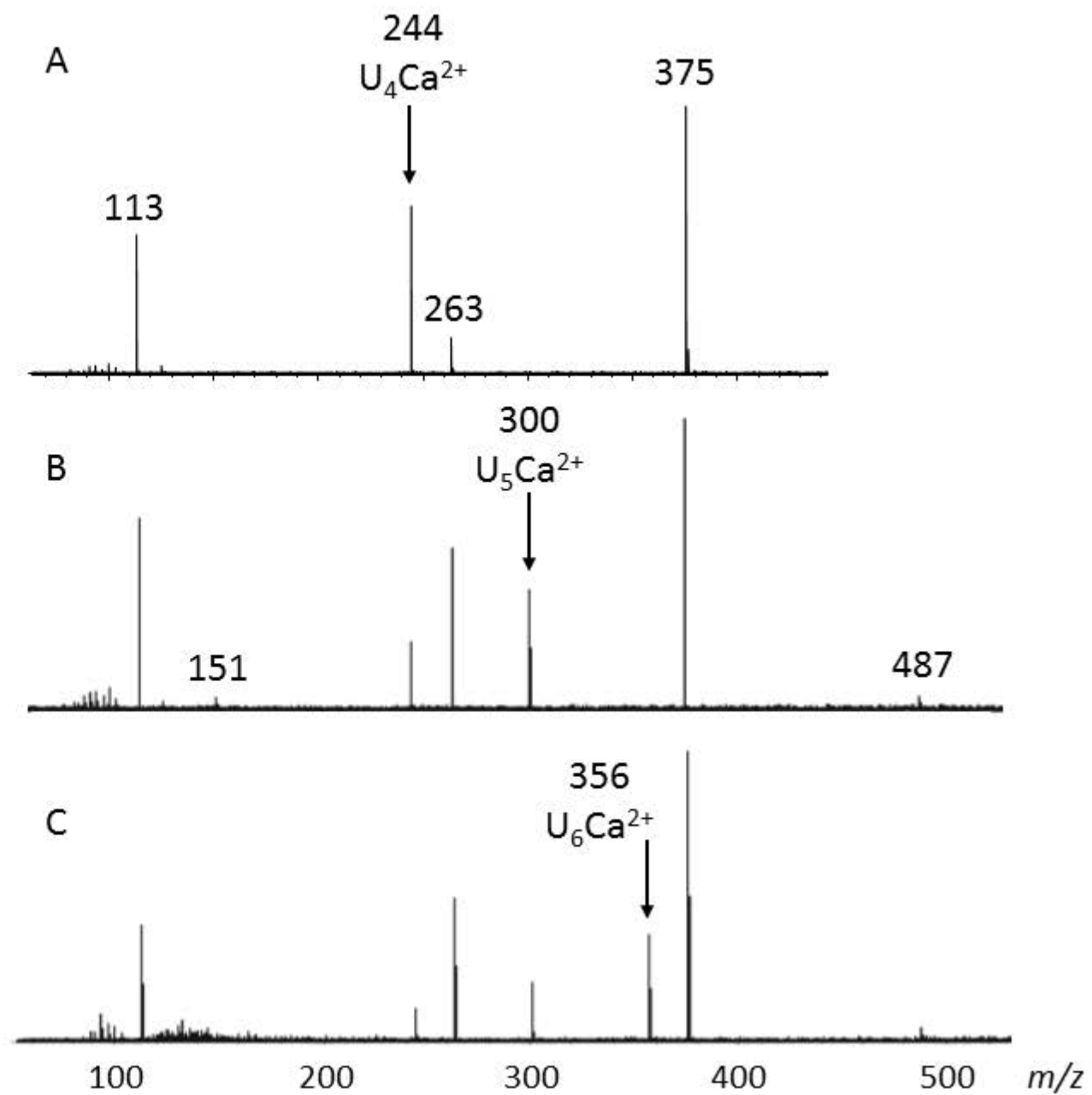


Table S1: Comparison of basis set on the 298 K energetics (top relative enthalpies, bottom relative Gibbs energies) in  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$  of some  $\text{U}_5\text{Ca}^{2+}$  structures.

Structure	B3LYPD3/6-31+G(d,p)	B3LYPD3/6-311+G(3df,3pd)
$\text{C}_3\text{T}_2\text{a}$	0.0	0.0
	0.0	0.0
$\text{C}_3\text{T}_2\text{b}$	-0.5	-0.4
	+0.6	+0.6
$\text{C}_3\text{T}_2\text{d}$	6.5	7.0
	7.8	8.3
$\text{C}_3\text{T}_2\text{c}$	6.6	7.1
	7.5	8.0
$\text{C}_3\text{T}_2\text{f}$	8.3	8.6
	8.9	9.3
$\text{C}_3\text{T}_2\text{e}$	8.9	8.8
	8.7	8.6

Table S2: Comparison of basis set on the 298 K energetics (top relative enthalpies, bottom relative Gibbs energies) in  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$  of some  $\text{U}_6\text{Ca}^{2+}$  structures.

Structure	B3LYPD3/6-31+G(d,p)	B3LYPD3/6-311+G(3df,3pd)
$\text{T}_4\text{C}_2\text{a}$	0.0	0.0
	0.0	0.0
$\text{T}_4\text{C}_2\text{b}$	11.6	12.2
	13.1	13.7
$\text{T}_4\text{C}_2\text{c}$	15.8	15.7
	16.1	16.1
$\text{T}_4\text{C}_2\text{d}$	34.0	32.7
	24.6	23.3
$\text{T}_4\text{C}_2\text{e}$	27.9	28.7
	29.9	30.8
$\text{T}_4\text{C}_2\text{f}$	34.7	31.9
	36.1	33.2