

Supporting Information:

**Theoretical Modeling of Voltage Effects and the Chemical Mechanism in
Surface-Enhanced Raman Scattering**

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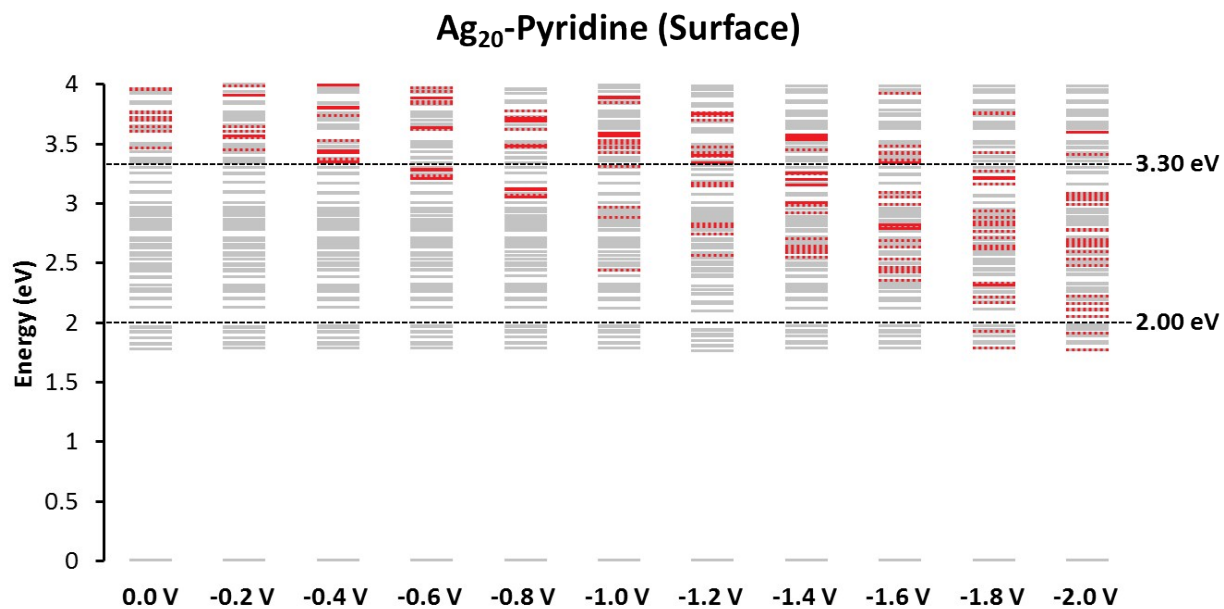


Figure S1. Excited-state energies for the Ag₂₀-pyridine Surface complex at the INDO/SCI level with applied potentials from 0.0 to -2.0 V. Solid red lines correspond to states with > 50% Ag₂₀ → pyridine CT character, dotted red lines to states with 20-50% CT character, and gray lines to local Ag₂₀ excited states.

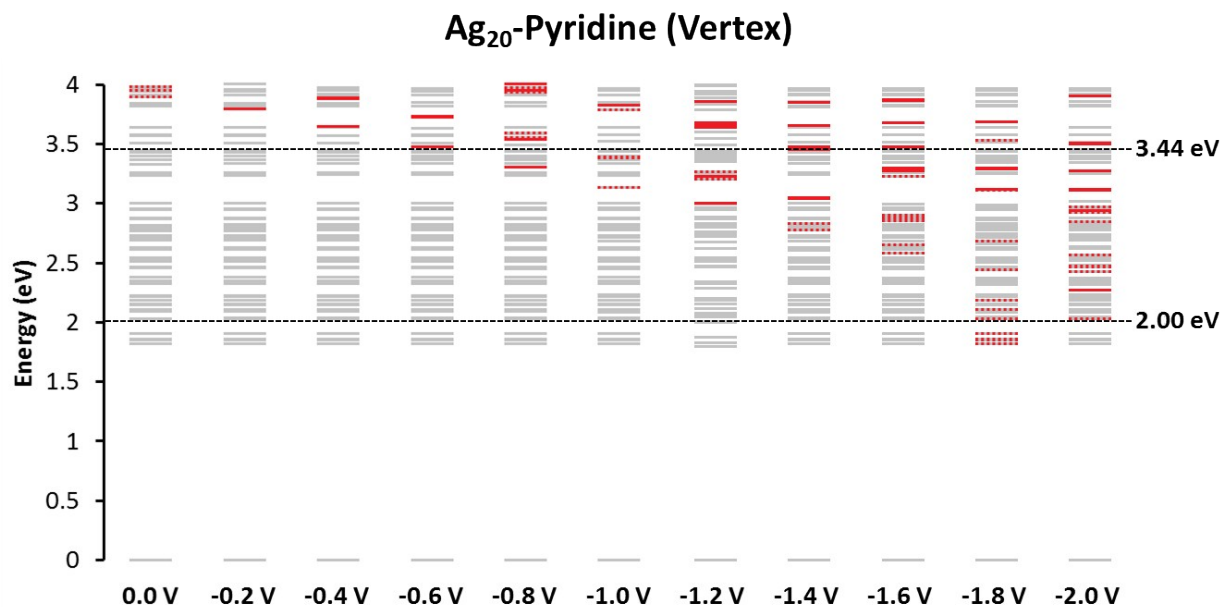


Figure S2. Excited-state energies for the Ag₂₀-pyridine Vertex complex at the INDO/SCI level with applied potentials from 0.0 to -2.0 V. Solid red lines correspond to states with > 50% Ag₂₀ → pyridine CT character, dotted red lines to states with 20-50% CT character, and gray lines to local Ag₂₀ excited states.

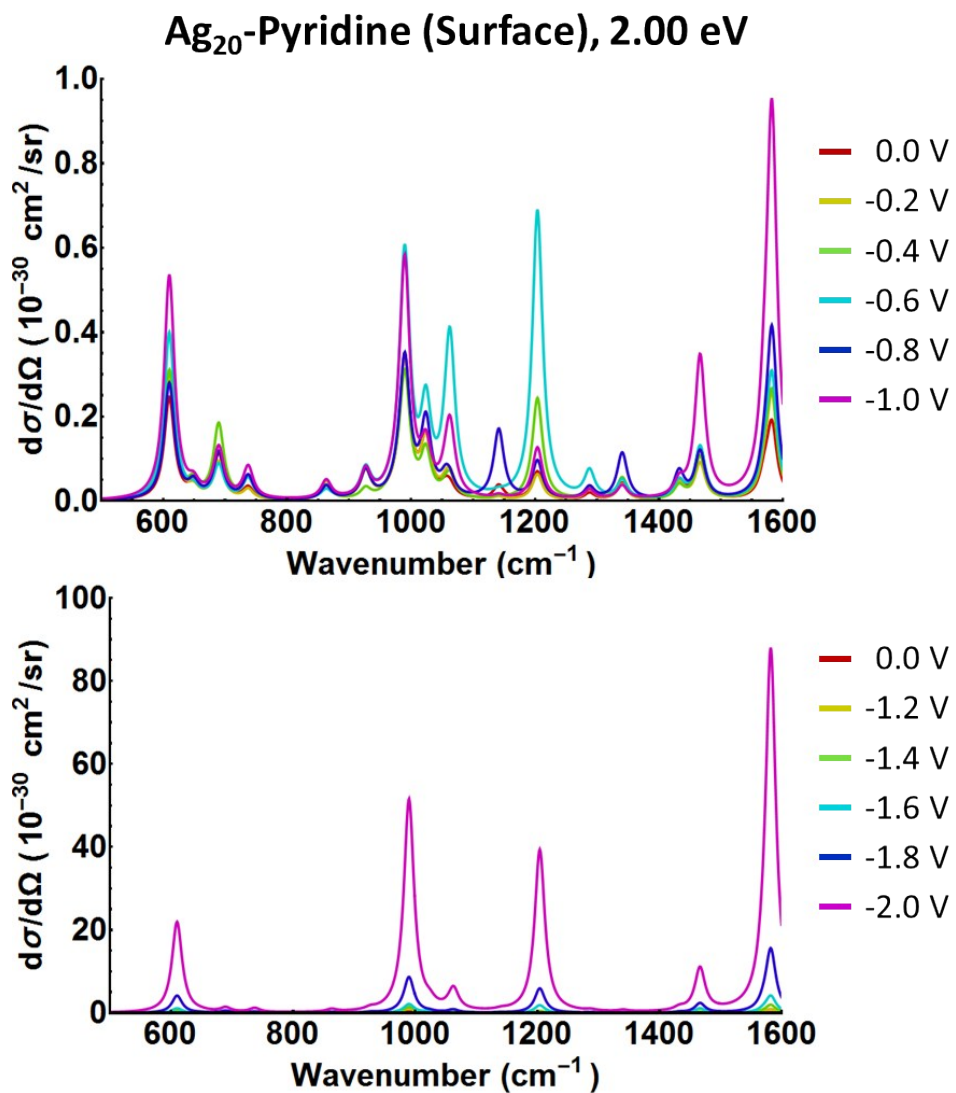


Figure S3. Normal Raman spectra for the Surface geometry of the Ag₂₀-pyridine complex at the INDO/SCI level, showing the effect of applied potentials from 0.0 to -2.0 V within the OESA model.

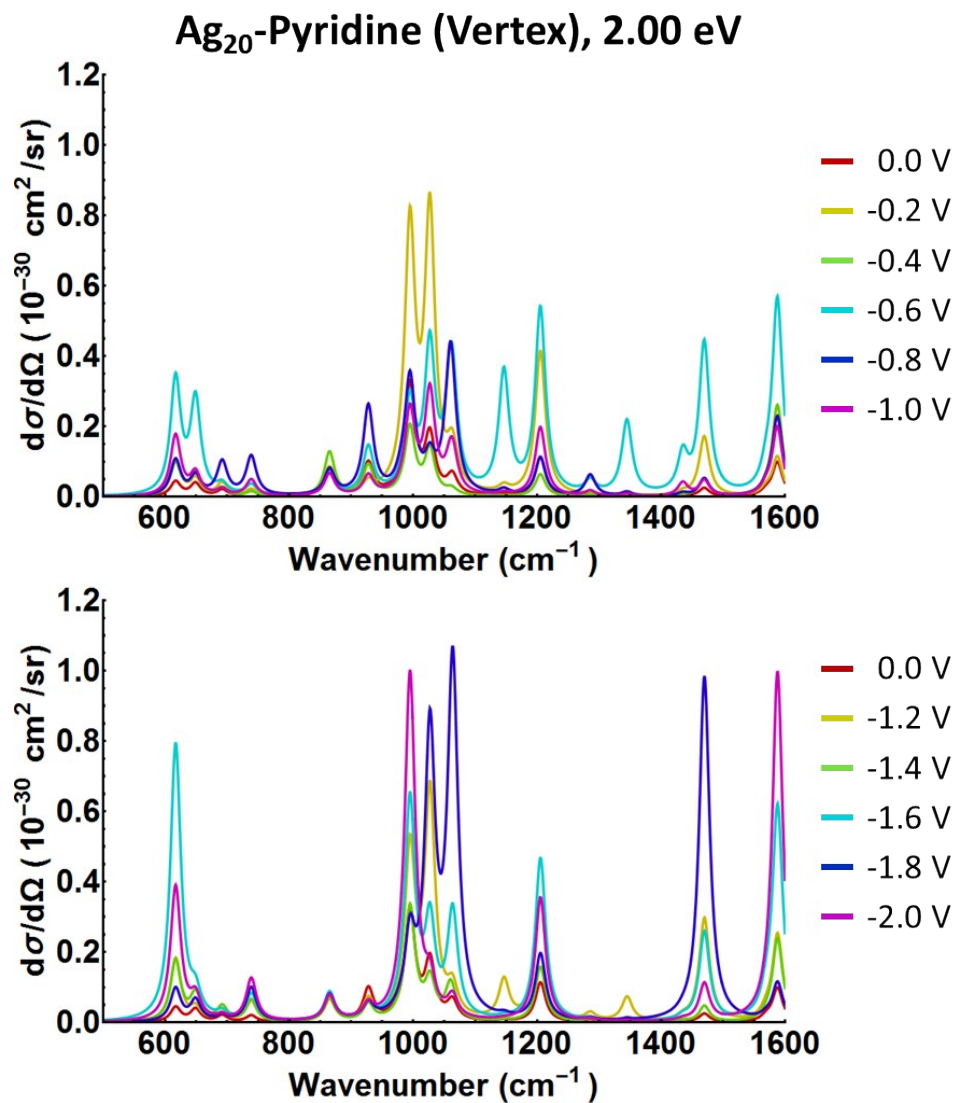


Figure S4. Normal Raman spectra for the Vertex geometry of the Ag₂₀-pyridine complex at the INDO/SCI level, showing the effect of applied potentials from 0.0 to -2.0 V within the OESA model.

Ag₂₀-Pyridine (Surface), 3.30 eV

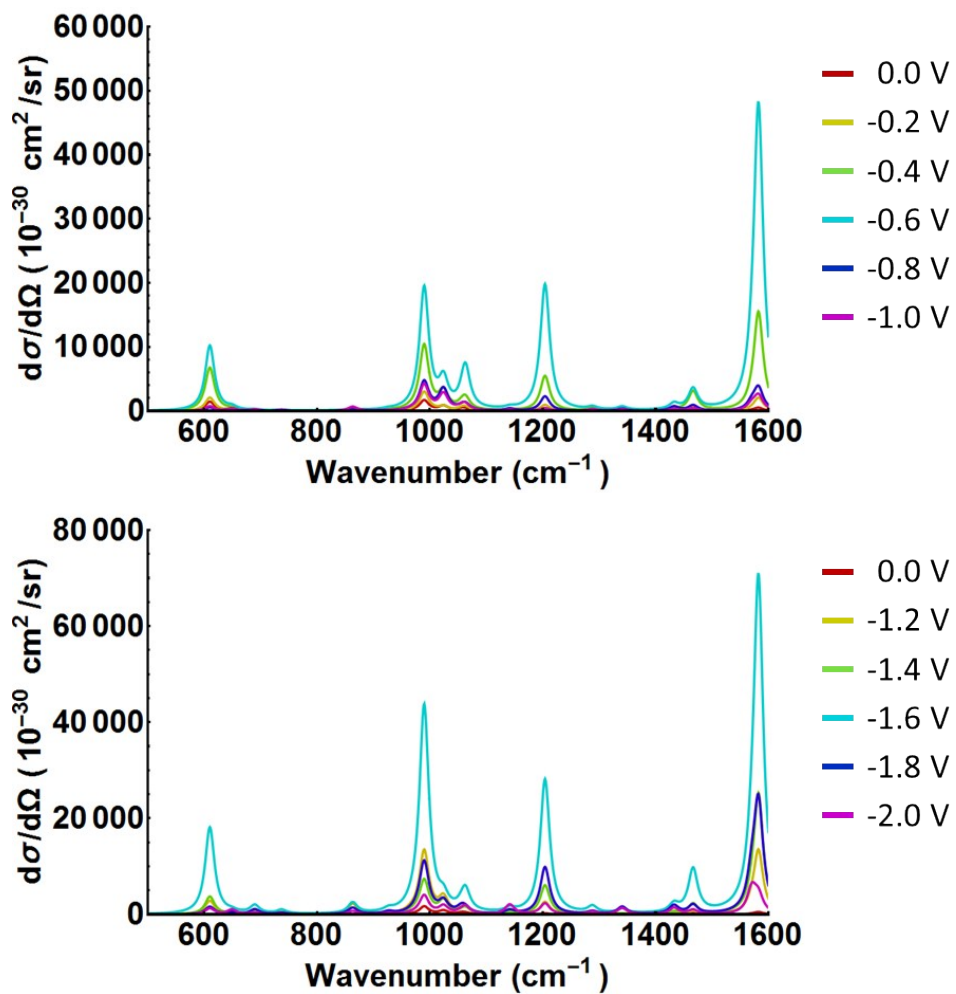


Figure S5. Resonance Raman spectra for the Surface geometry of the Ag₂₀-pyridine complex at the INDO/SCI level, showing the effect of applied potentials from 0.0 to -2.0 V within the OESA model.

Ag₂₀-Pyridine (Vertex), 3.44 eV

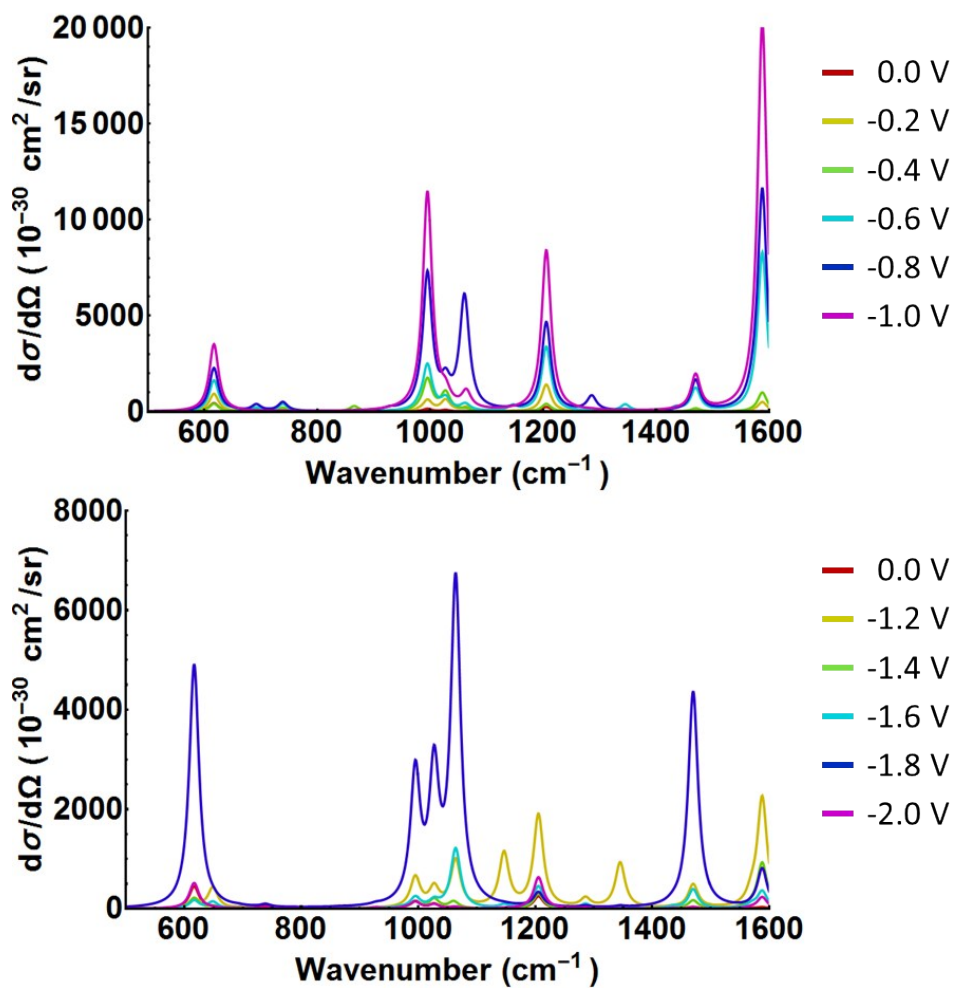


Figure S6. Resonance Raman spectra for the Vertex geometry of the Ag₂₀-pyridine complex at the INDO/SCI level, showing the effect of applied potentials from 0.0 to -2.0 V within the OESA model.