

## – Electronic Supplementary Information –

### Exploring the Potential Energy Surface of Small Lead Clusters using the Gradient Embedded Genetic Algorithm and an Adequate Treatment of Relativistic Effects

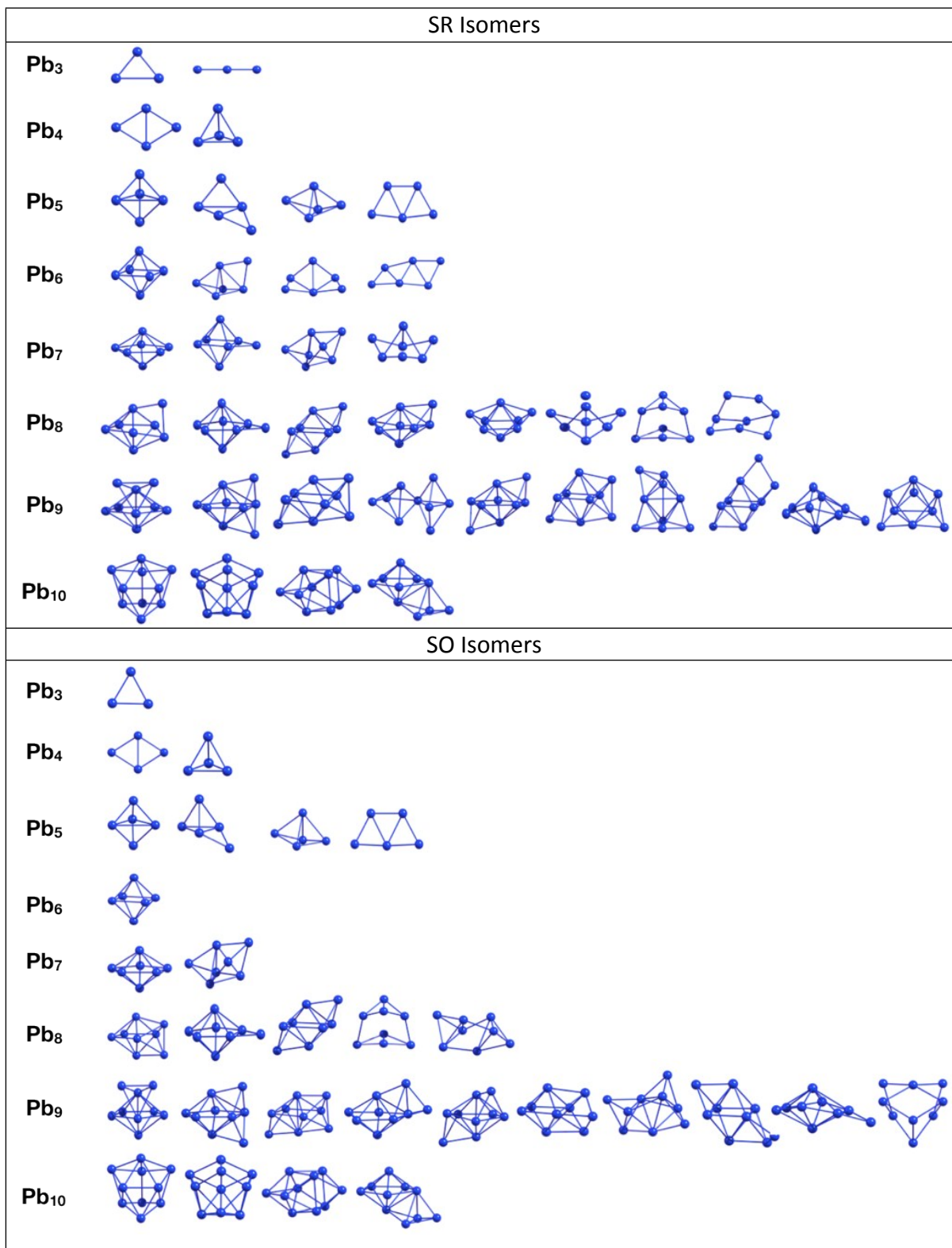
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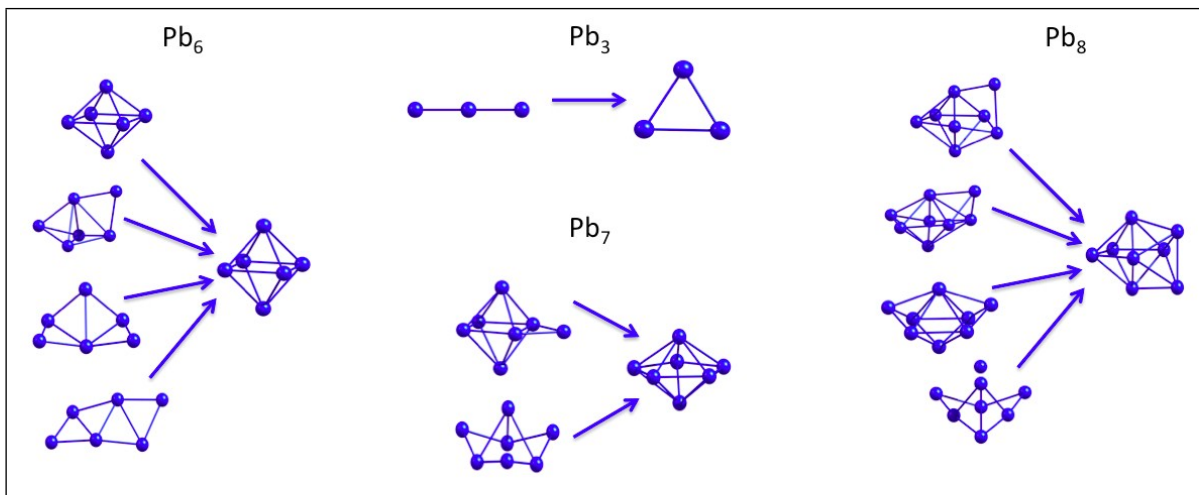
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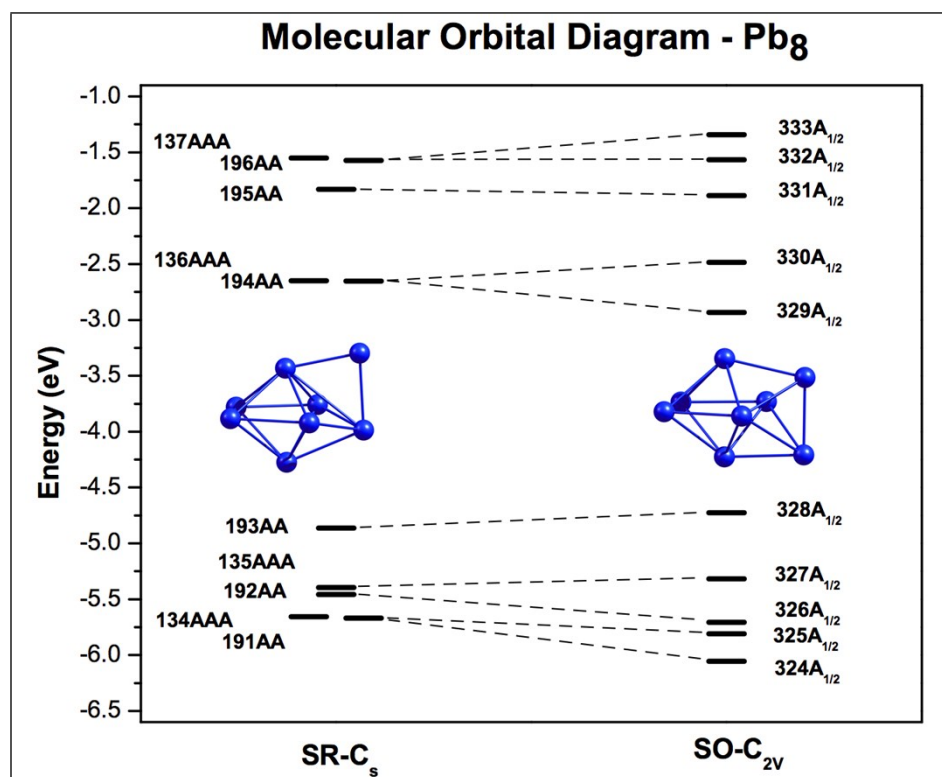
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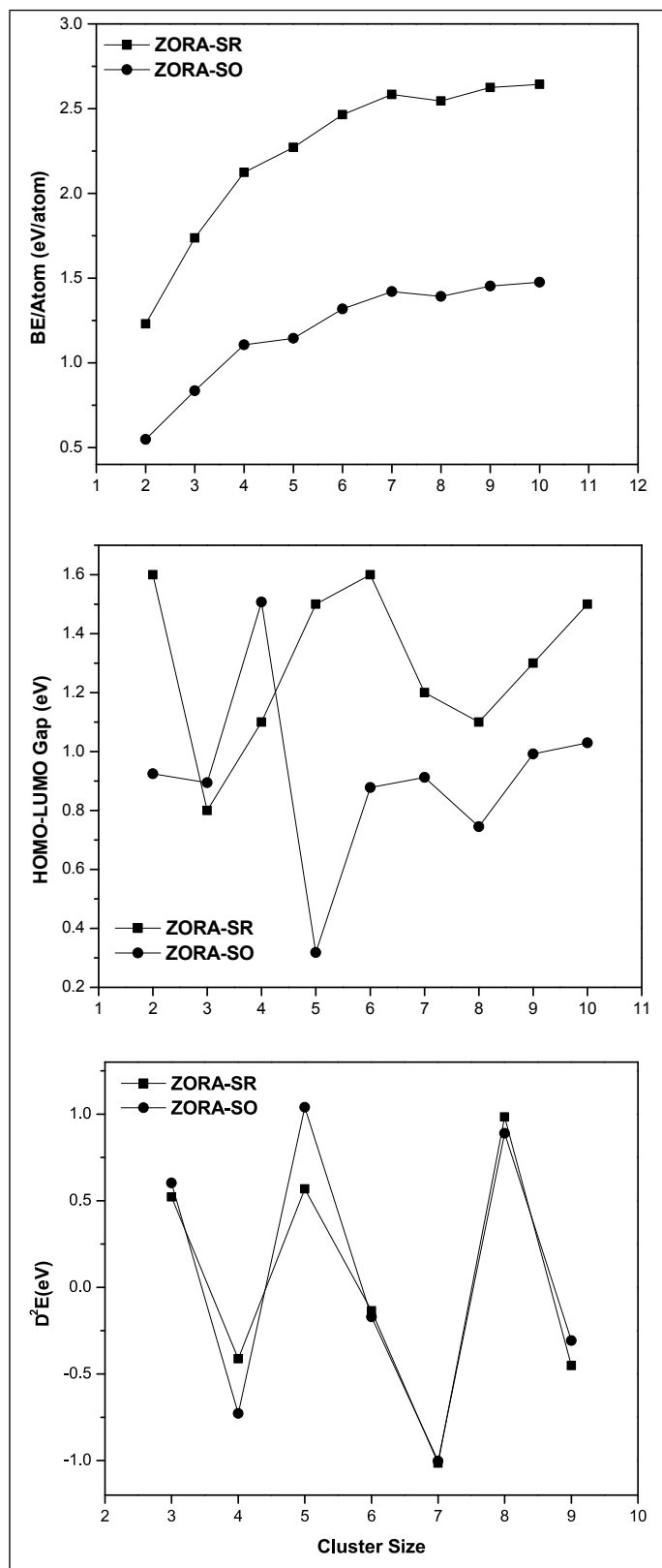
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**Table ESI-2.** HOMO-LUMO gap for Pb<sub>n</sub> (n = 3 - 10) isomers. Energy in eV at PBE0 level of theory.

	ISOMERS	LANL2DZ-SR	DEF2TZVP-SR	ZORA-SR/TZ2P	CRENBL-SO	ZORA-SO/TZ2P
Pb3	Isomer01	1.95	1.88 (0.72)	1.88 (0.75)	2.10 (0.78)	2.24 (0.89)
	Isomer02	1.88	1.89 (0.89)	1.87 (0.89)		
Pb4	Isomer01	2.35	2.36 (1.12)	2.37 (1.23)	2.52 (1.48)	2.73 (1.50)
	Isomer02	1.74	1.80 (0.68)	1.81 (0.67)	2.01 (0.78)	2.11 (0.84)
Pb5	Isomer01	2.74	2.66 (1.48)	2.71 (1.50)	1.30 (0.29)	1.37 (0.29)
	Isomer02	2.19	2.21 (0.97)	2.22 (0.97)	2.00 (0.86)	2.11 (0.98)
	Isomer03	1.38	1.38 (0.24)	1.38 (0.24)	1.41 (0.21)	1.51 (0.24)
	Isomer04	0.96	1.02 (0.12)	1.02 (0.12)	1.80 (0.61)	1.87 (0.67)
Pb6	Isomer01	2.73	2.73 (1.56)	2.72 (1.56)	1.81 (0.83)	1.91 (0.88)
	Isomer02	2.30	2.32 (1.15)	2.32 (1.15)	1.81 (0.83)	1.91 (0.88)
	Isomer03	2.06	1.94 (0.91)	1.96 (0.88)	1.81 (0.83)	1.91 (0.88)
	Isomer04	1.91	1.80 (0.75)	1.82 (0.74)	1.81 (0.83)	1.91 (0.88)
Pb7	Isomer01	2.47	2.46 (1.24)	2.44 (1.25)	1.94 (0.78)	2.02 (0.91)
	Isomer02	2.03	2.11 (1.01)	2.11 (0.99)	1.94 (0.78)	2.02 (0.91)
	Isomer03	1.80	1.78 (0.63)	1.77 (0.63)	1.48 (0.50)	1.65 (0.56)
	Isomer04	2.70	2.64 (1.53)	2.11 (1.51)	1.94 (0.78)	2.02 (0.91)
Pb8	Isomer01	2.20	2.21 (1.09)	2.21 (1.10)	1.68 (0.80)	1.79 (0.81)
	Isomer02	1.90	1.89 (0.84)	1.89 (0.82)	1.26 (0.38)	1.40 (0.43)
	Isomer03	1.85	1.88 (0.78)	1.90 (0.80)	1.48 (0.51)	1.61 (0.56)
	Isomer04	1.49	1.35 (0.32)	1.35 (0.34)	1.68 (0.80)	1.79 (0.81)
	Isomer05	1.78	1.75 (0.67)	1.76 (0.68)	1.68 (0.80)	1.79 (0.81)
	Isomer06	1.69	1.65 (0.61)	1.65 (0.60)	1.68 (0.80)	1.79 (0.81)
	Isomer07	1.72	1.66 (0.60)	1.66 (0.59)	1.36 (0.39)	1.41 (0.43)
	Isomer08	1.48	1.43 (0.45)	1.44 (0.46)	1.75 (0.73)	1.84 (0.79)
Pb9	Isomer01	2.42	2.42 (1.29)	2.42 (1.30)	(0.92)	(0.99)
	Isomer02	2.07	2.04 (0.98)	2.03 (0.98)	(0.60)	(0.62)
	Isomer03	1.88	1.92 (0.86)	1.92 (0.87)	(0.62)	(0.64)
	Isomer04	1.80	1.74 (0.70)	1.74 (0.69)	(0.53)	(0.57)
	Isomer05	1.77	1.76 (0.77)	1.75 (0.77)	(0.65)	(0.70)
	Isomer06	1.58	1.56 (0.53)	1.56 (0.54)	(0.40)	(0.45)
	Isomer07	2.25	2.22 (1.10)	2.21 (1.10)	(0.89)	(0.93)
	Isomer08	1.89	1.98 (1.02)	1.98 (1.02)	(0.52)	(0.59)
	Isomer09	1.96	1.91 (0.93)	1.91 (0.93)	(0.85)	(0.90)
	Isomer10	1.78	1.74 (0.66)	1.74 (0.68)	(0.47)	(0.52)
Pb10	Isomer01	2.53	2.56 (1.45)	(1.46)	(0.95)	(1.03)
	Isomer02	2.67	2.71 (1.58)	(1.59)	(0.91)	(0.96)
	Isomer03	1.90	1.99 (0.92)	(0.94)	(0.56)	(0.61)
	Isomer04	1.87	1.84 (0.76)	(0.74)	(0.62)	(0.68)