Binding Indirect Greenhouse Gases OCS and CS₂ by Nitrogen Heterocyclic Carbenes (NHCs)

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Supporting Information

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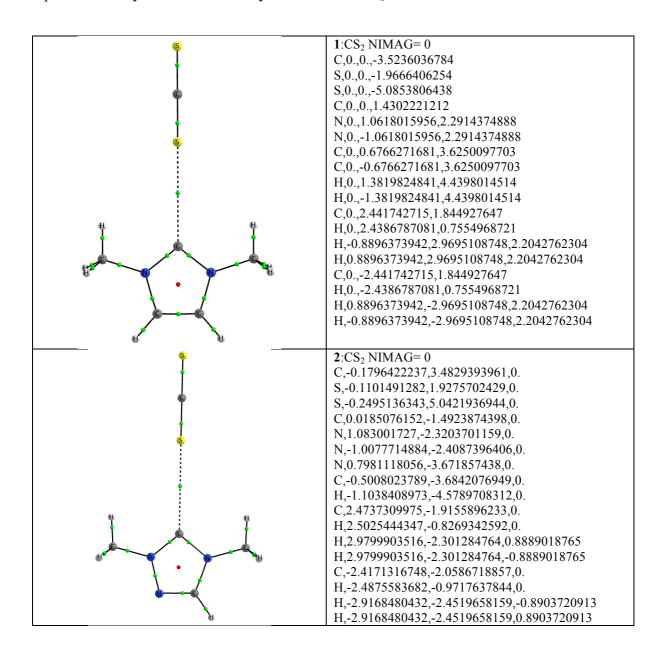
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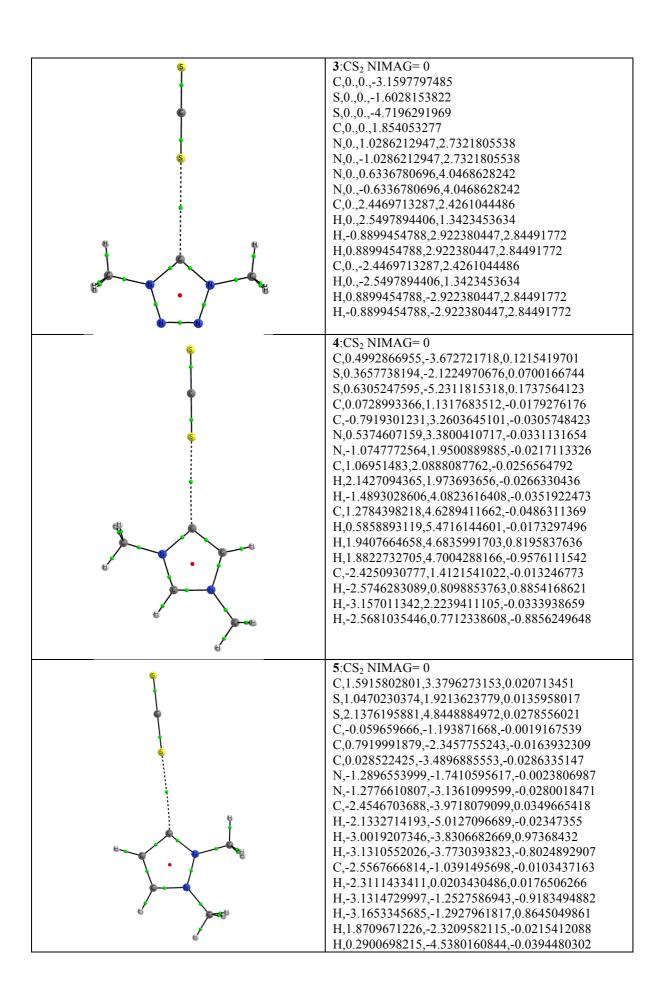
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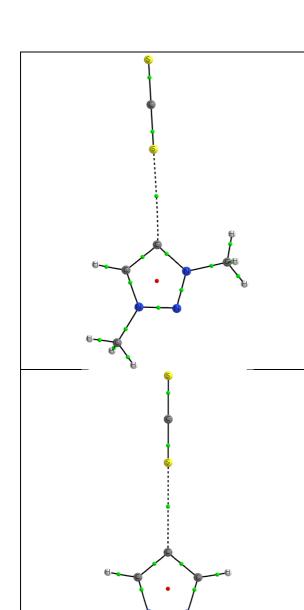
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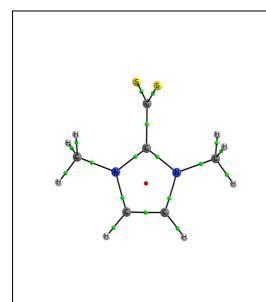






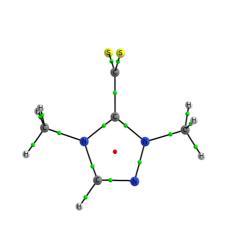
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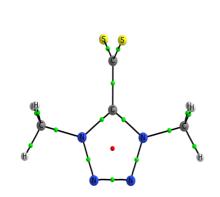
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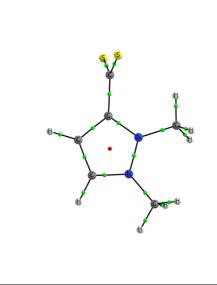
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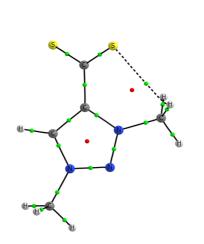
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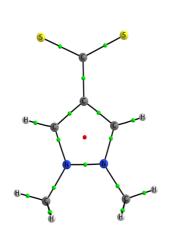
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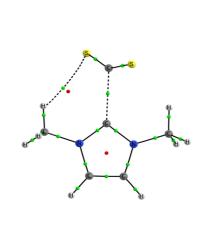
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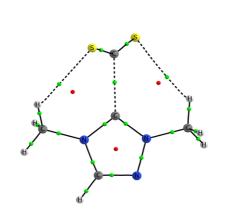
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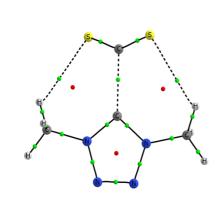
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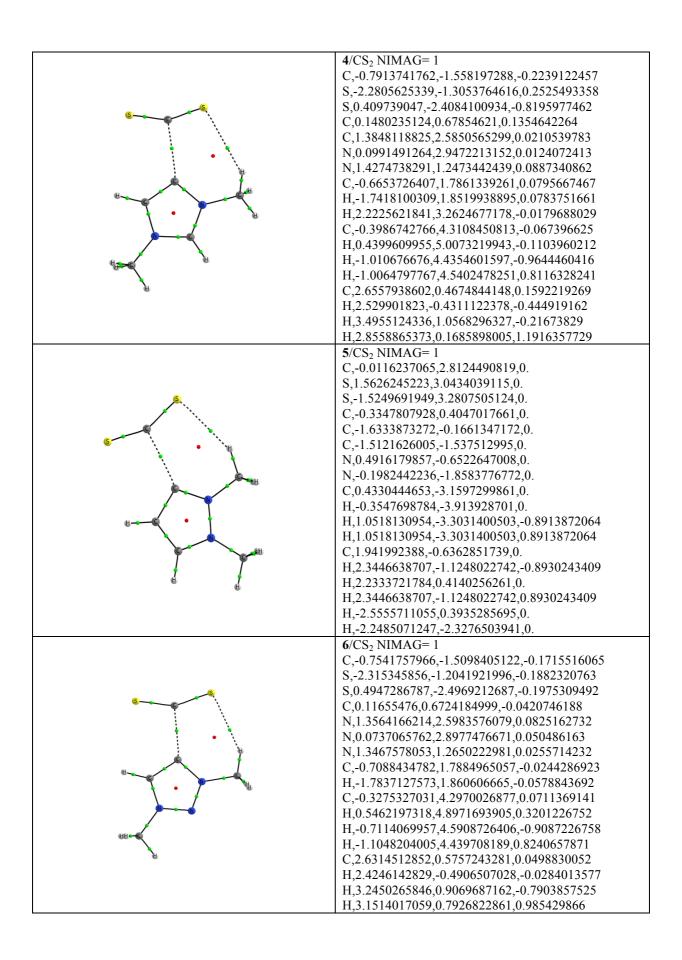
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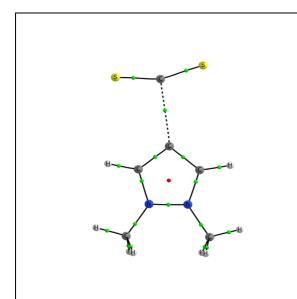
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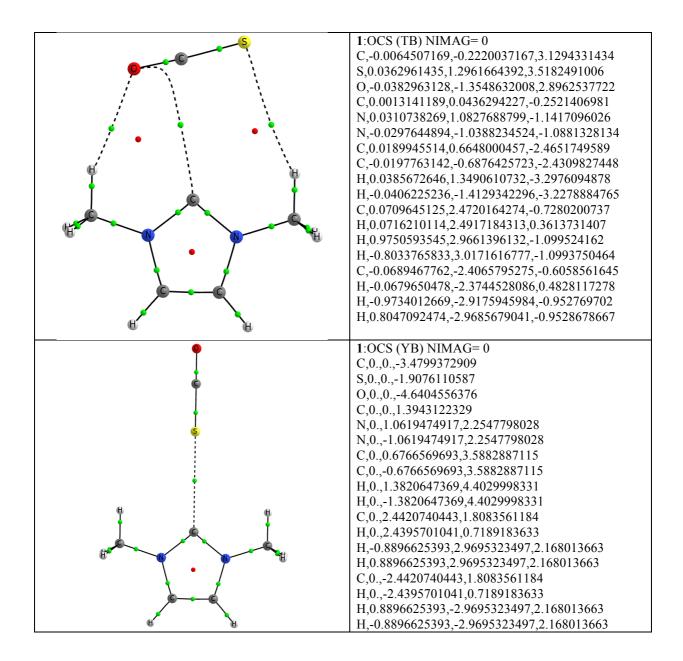
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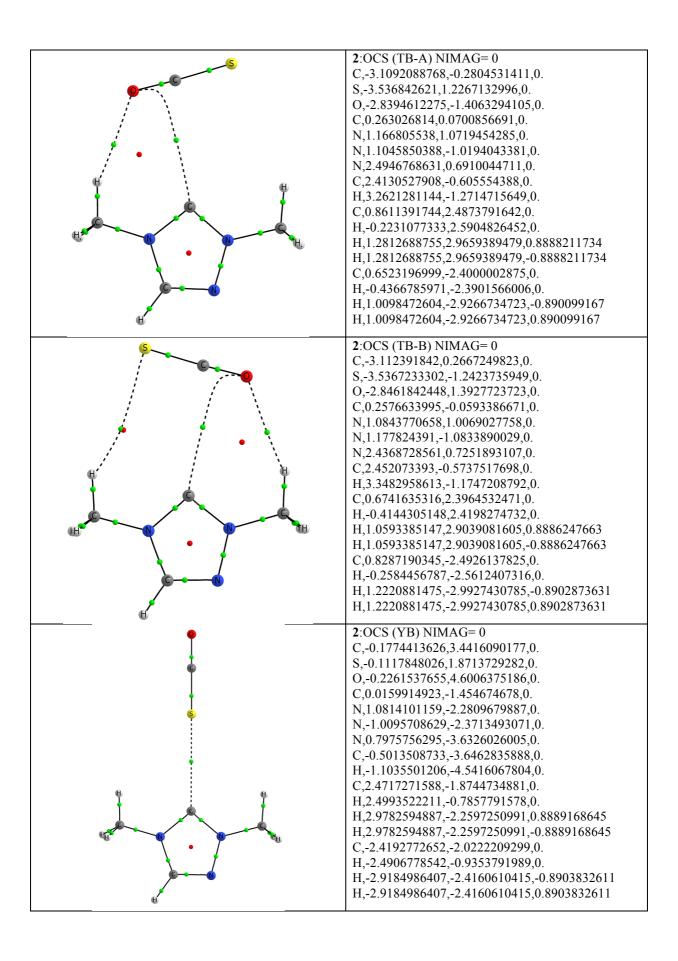


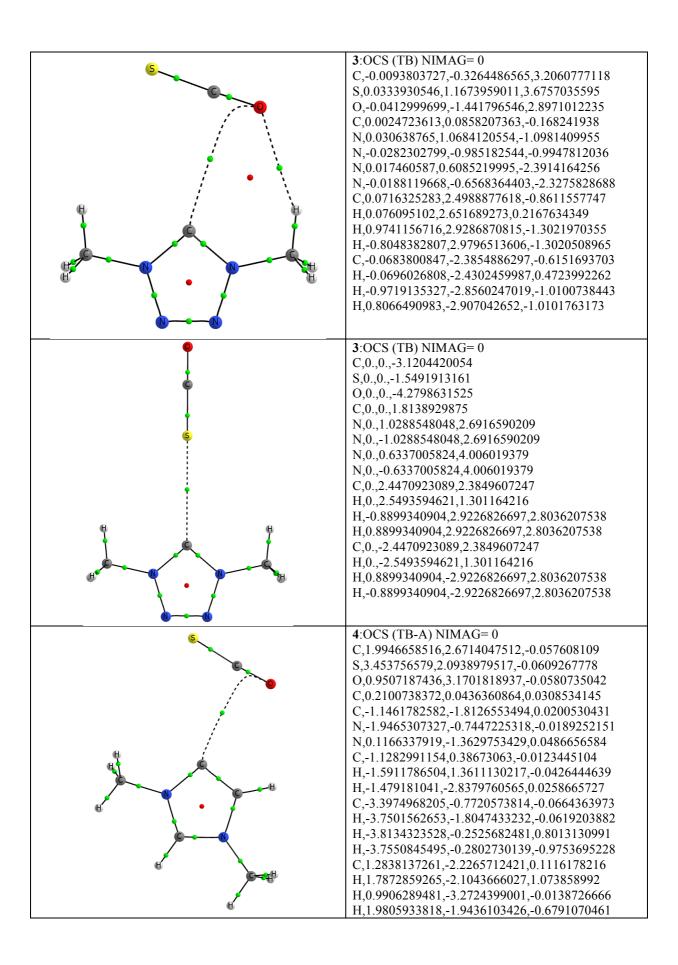


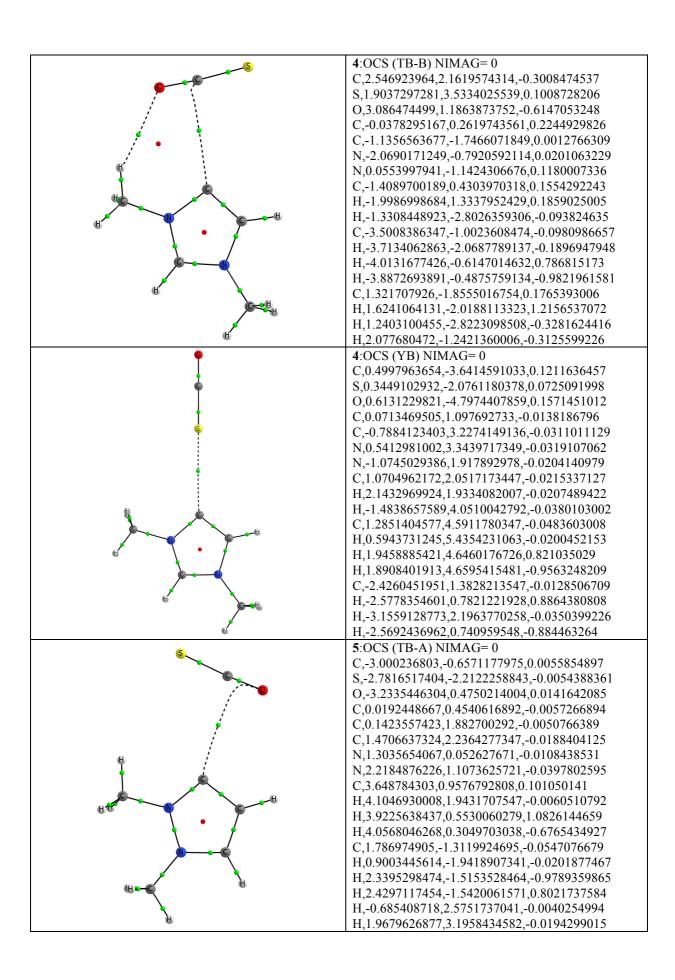
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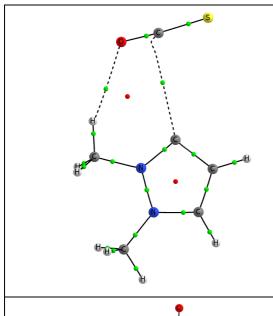
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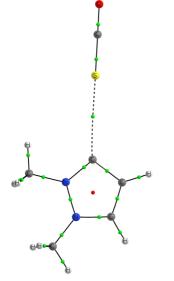




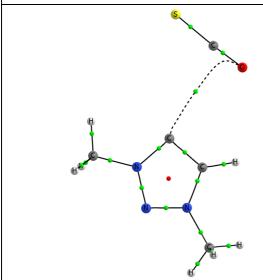




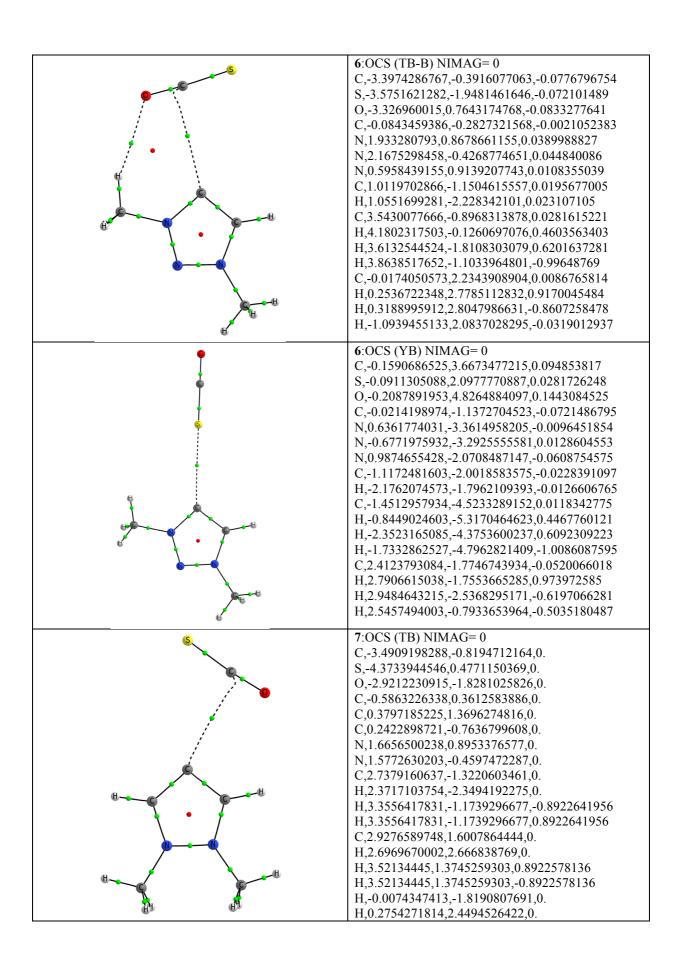
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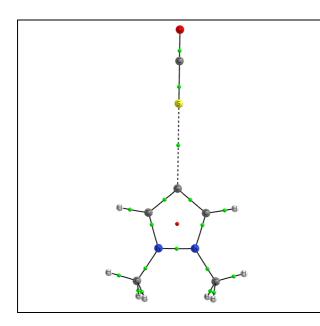


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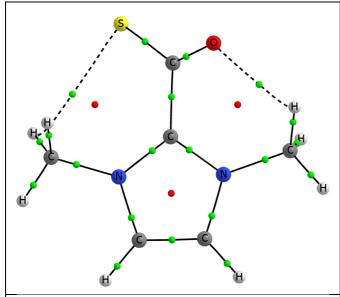


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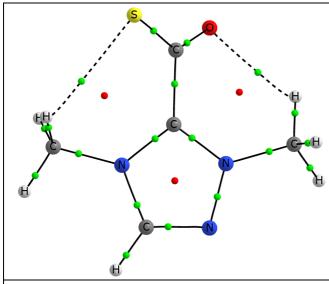
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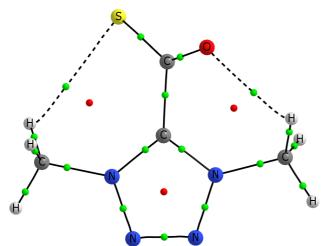
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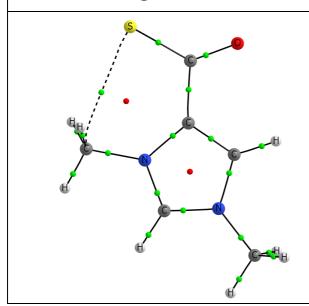
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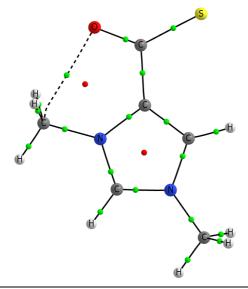
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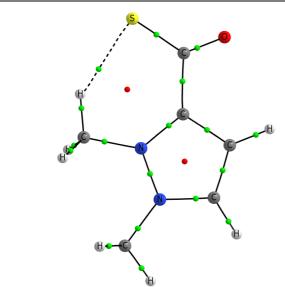


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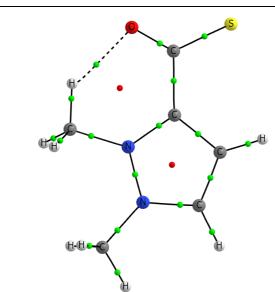


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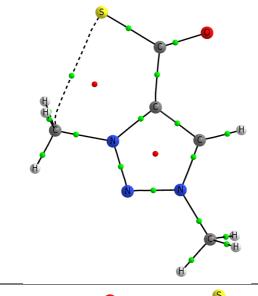
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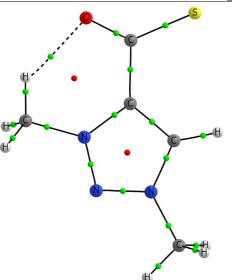


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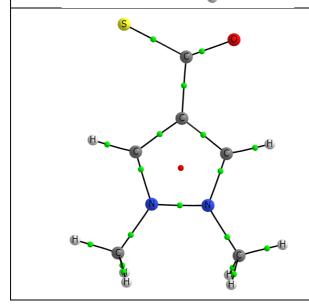
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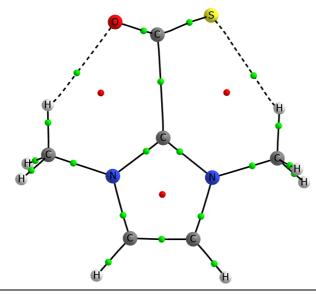
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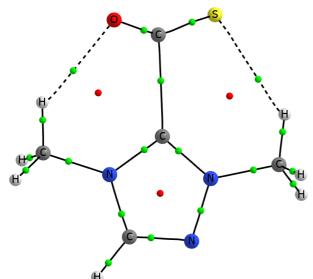


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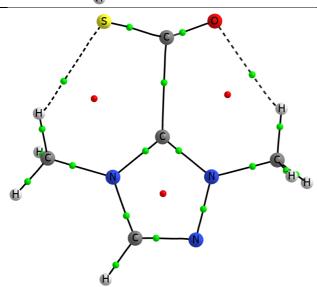


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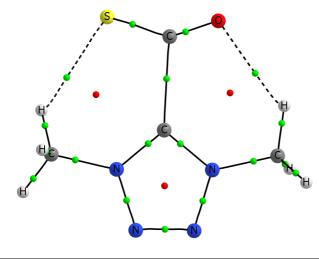
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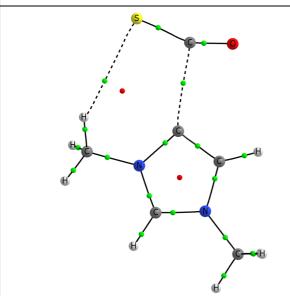


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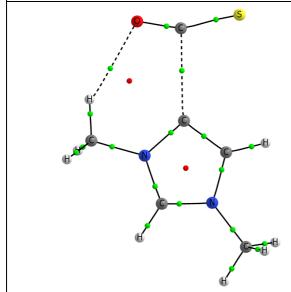
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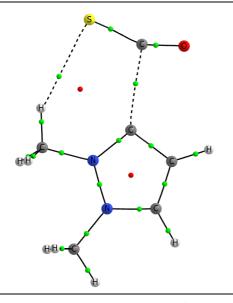
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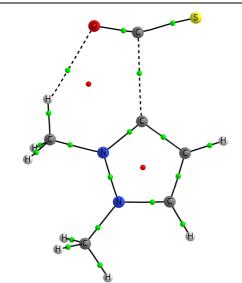
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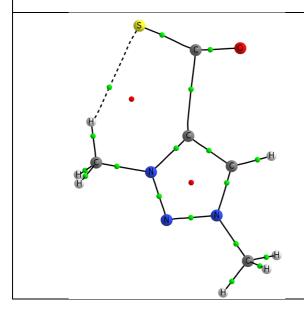
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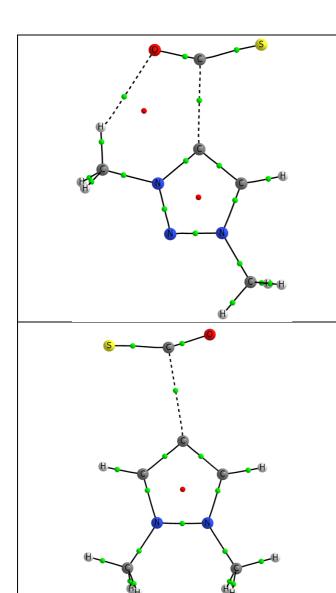
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Table S3. Dihedral angles (°) for the different NHC-CXY products.

NHC	NHC-CO ₂	NHC-OCS	NHC-CS ₂
1	17	54	82
2	0	53	85
3	0	53	81
4	0	0	55
5	0	19	86
6	0	10	56
7	0	0	0

Table S4. Chemical bonding analysis (EDA-ADF) for non-covalent complexes. For the OCS complexes, the most stable complexes are shown.

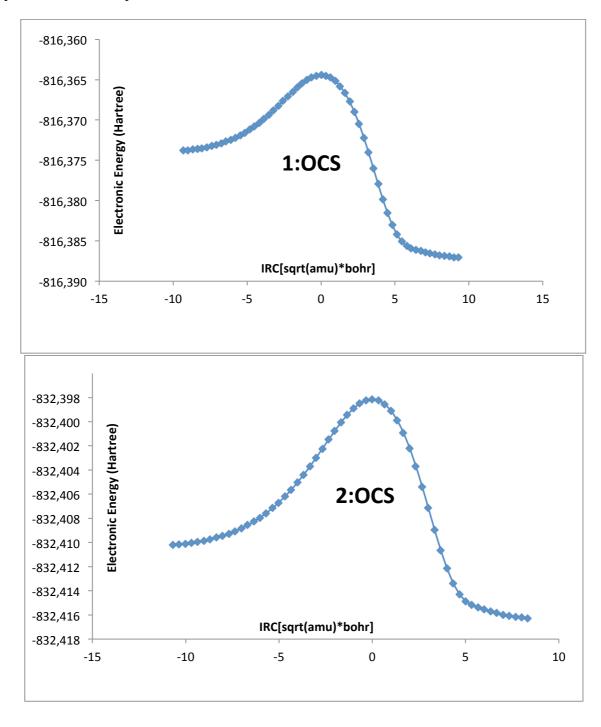
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Kinetic E.	-434.28	-495.14	-525.09	-439.6	-453.55	-459.5	-438.37
Steric+OI E.	419.1	475.37	500.68	434.39	442.03	447.57	436.57
XC E.	26.91	30.22	33.46	20	24.57	24.53	18.39
Total B. E.	-5.17	-4.16	-2.95	-8.94	-7.68	-6.74	-10.97

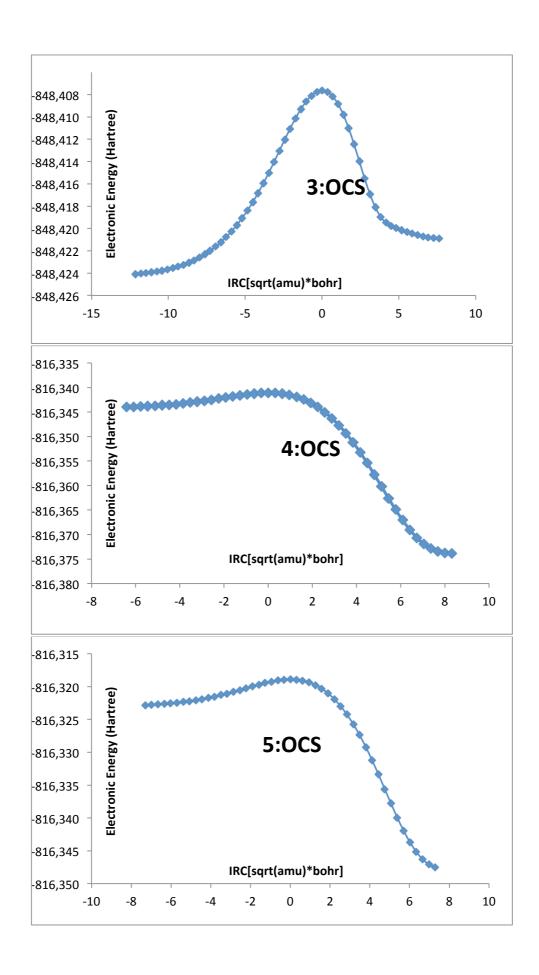
	1:CO2	2:CO2	3:CO2	4:CO2	5:CO2	6:CO2	7:CO2
Electrostatic E.	-44.78	-39.32	-33.48	-59.13	-54.33	-45.92	-66.17
Kinetic E.	-38.46	-90.64	-115.02	-53.99	-62.74	-75.44	-45.53
Steric+OI E.	92.34	135.7	151.13	127.63	127.28	128.41	128.47
XC E.	-21.91	-16.63	-11.36	-33.79	-27.89	-21.51	-40.44
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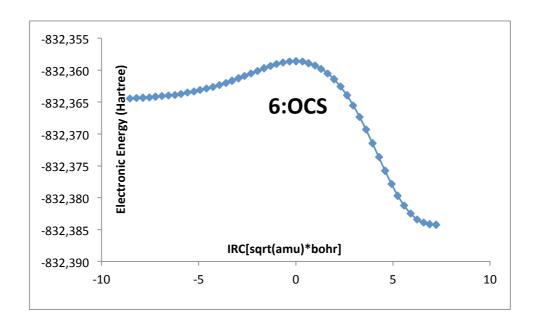
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Electrostatic E.	-21.83	-18.8	-15.44	-29.75	-26.52	-24.56	-34.41
Kinetic E.	-315.06	-380.62	-414.62	-307.29	-331.13	-337.62	-302.66
Steric+OI E.	322.65	381.39	408.53	329.94	345.17	349.94	330.84
XC E.	6.45	11.59	16.68	-4.95	1.84	2.77	-8.11
Total B. E.	-7.79	-6.43	-4.85	-12.05	-10.65	-9.48	-14.34

Figure S1. Intrinsic Reaction Path (IRC) calculations for several NHC + CXY reactions.

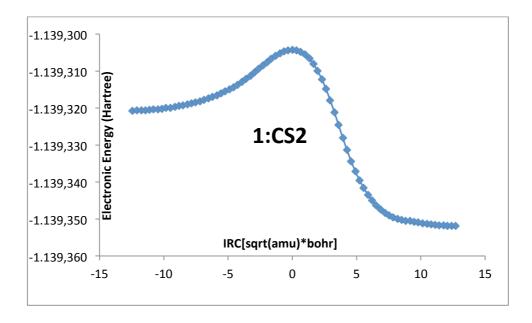
(A) IRC coordinates vs. the total electronic energies for reactions 1-6 + OCS. The geometries on the most negative value of the IRC corresponds to the NHC:OCS complex while the most positive one corresponds to the NHC-OCS molecule.

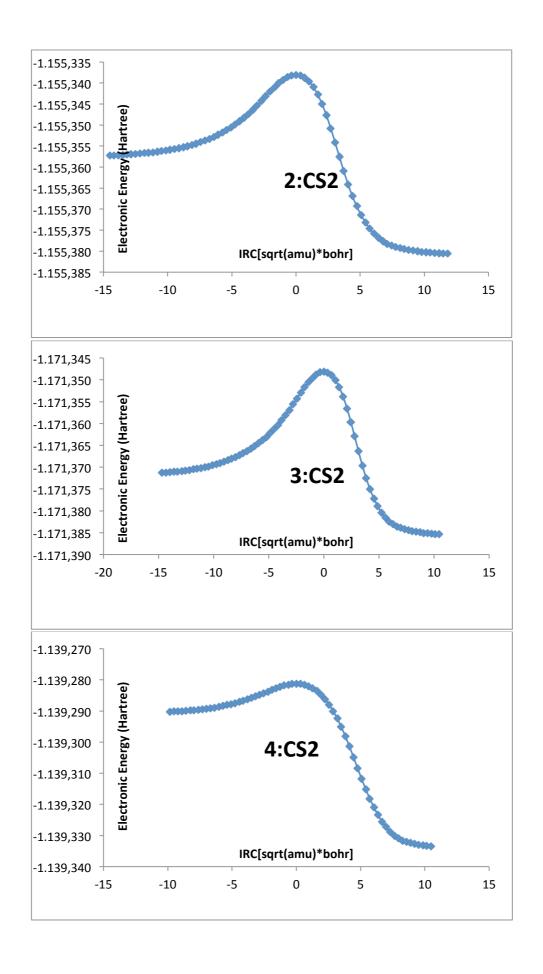






(B) IRC coordinates vs. the total electronic energies for reactions $1-7 + CS_2$. The geometries on the most negative value of the IRC corresponds to the NHC: CS_2 complex while the most positive one corresponds to the NHC- CS_2 molecule.





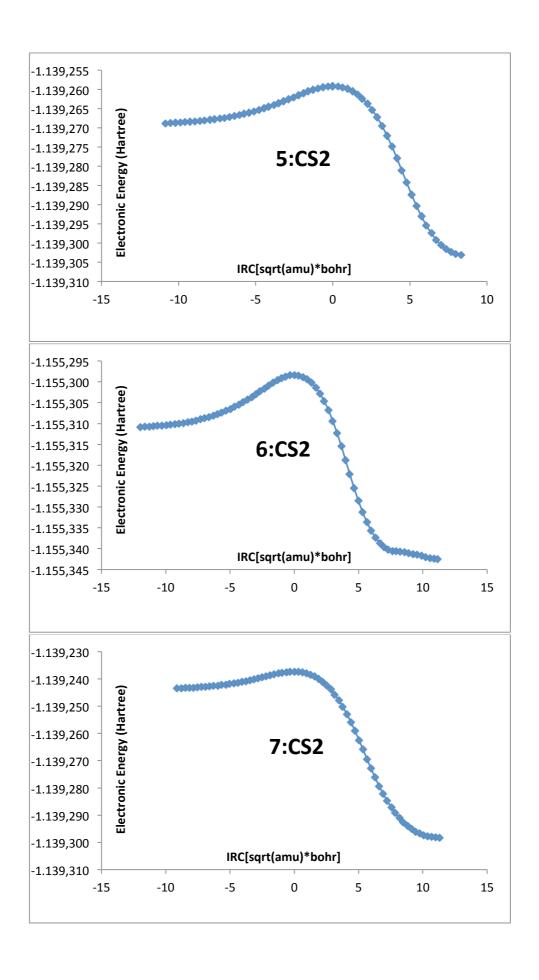


Figure S2. CO₂, OCS and CS₂ LUMO orbitals.

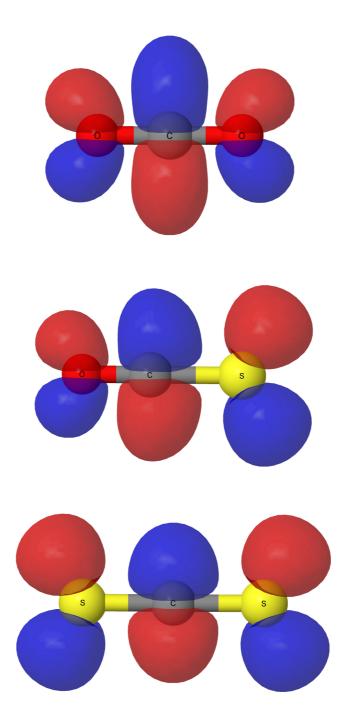


Figure S3. Stability of the TSs NHC/CXY (NHC=1-7, CXY = CS_2 , OCS) versus the stability of the TSs NHC/CO₂.

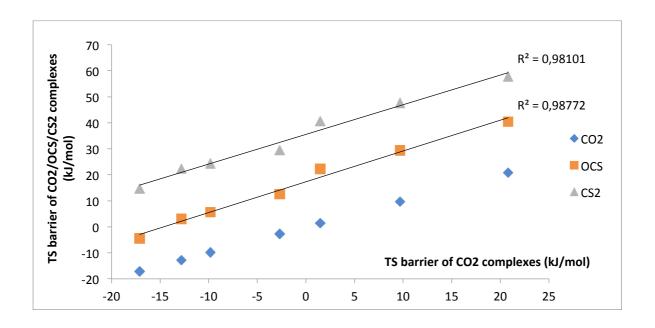
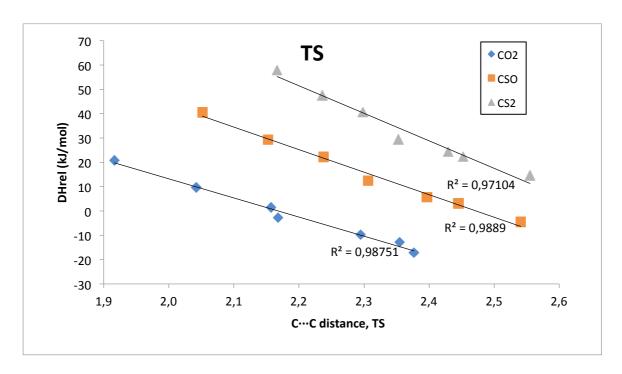


Figure S4. Stability of the TSs (kJ/mol) NHC/CXY (NHC=1-7, CXY = CO_2 , CS_2 , OCS) versus $C\cdots C$ distances (Å).



Linear correlations: $TS(CO_2)$ vs TS(OCS), $R^2 = 0.988$; $TS(CO_2)$ vs $TS(CS_2)$, $R^2 = 0.981$; TS(OCS) vs. $TS(CS_2)$, $R^2 = 0.998$.

Figure S5. Relationship between the ΔH of the transition states NHC/CXY and products NHC-CXY (NHC = 1-7, CXY = CO₂, OCS, CS₂) with respect to the energy of the HOMO in the isolated 1-7 carbenes. Results regarding CO₂ were taken from Ref. 3.

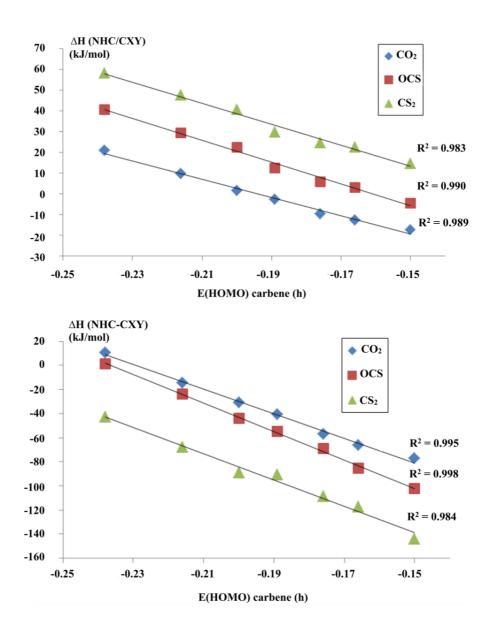


Figure S6. Relationship between the ΔH of the transition states NHC/CXY and products NHC-CXY (NHC = 1-7, CXY = CO₂, OCS, CS₂) with respect to the minimum of the MEP in the isolated 1-7 carbenes.

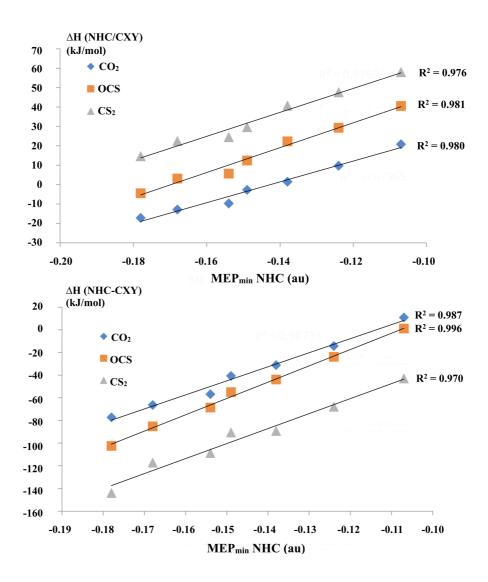


Figure S7. E_r (distortion energy) for the different CXY molecules at the NHC/CXY transition states from the distortion-interaction analysis.

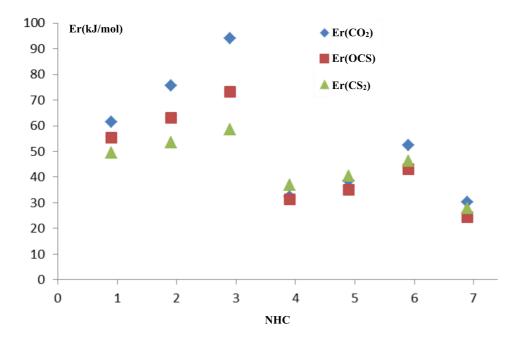


Figure S8. Distortion-interaction analysis carried out along the path of the NHC + CXY reactions. Negative and positive values of the IRC correspond to the complexes and adducts, respectively.

Starting from the paths explored with the help of the IRC calculations, we also carried out this distortion-interaction analysis for some selected cases all along the reaction paths. In particular, Figure S6.1 below these lines describes the trends of the different energy terms involved for the $\mathbf{5} + \mathbf{CS_2}$ reaction, which presents the highest interaction energy at the TS of the $\mathbf{CS_2}$ group of reactions.

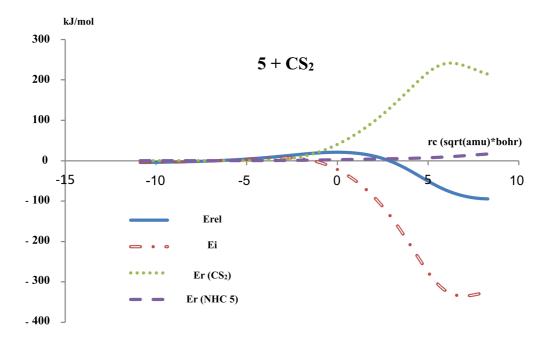
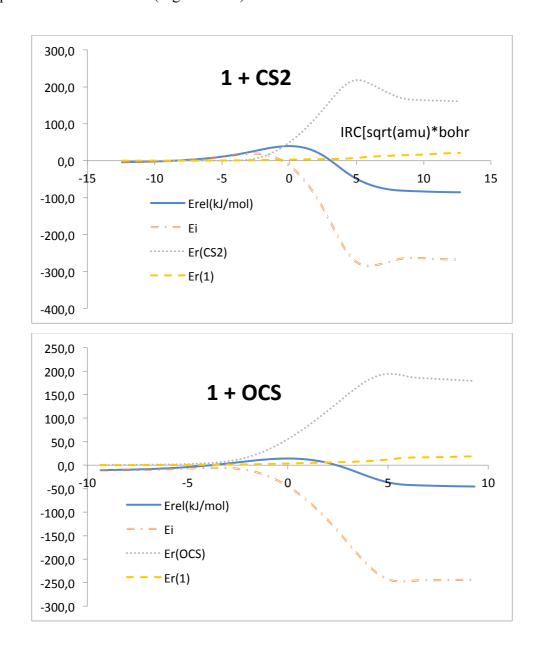
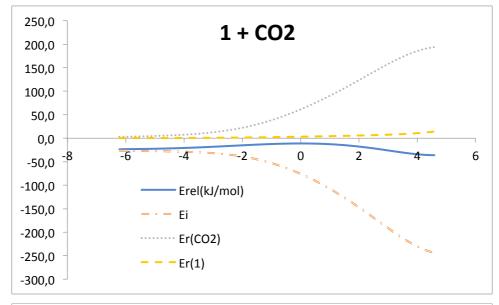


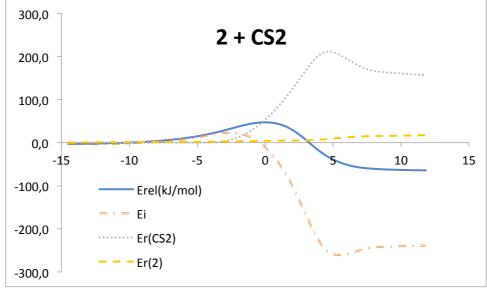
Figure S6.1 Distortion-interaction analysis carried out along the path of the reaction between the NHC 5 and CS_2 . Notations E_{rel} , E_i and E_r stand for the total relative energy, the interaction energy and the distortion (repulsive) energy, respectively (kJ/mol).

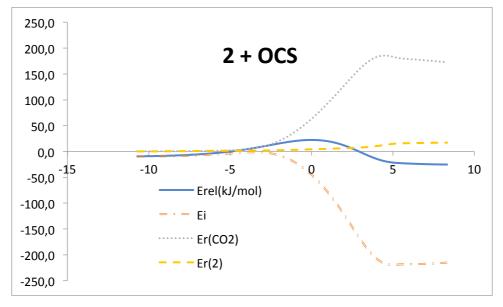
The energy terms are contained in a narrow interval of energy values before the TS; after that point, they dramatically change as an indication of the formation of the new C-C bond, reaching very large values at the product (positive in the case of the distortion terms, and negative in the case of the interaction energy). Two interesting things come out from the picture: (i) the highest point of the interaction energy is not the TS, (ii) the highest point of the deformation energy for the CS₂ is not the product. This latter point does not apply for the CO₂ case, which continues gaining distortion energy until the final product is reached. The maximum value of the deformation energy of the CS₂ is closed to where the largest C-S bond distance and shortest SCS angles are found along the reaction coordinate. A similar

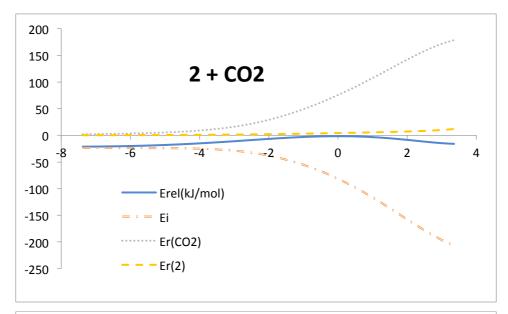
behaviour is found for some of the NHC + CS_2 and OCS reactions studied for which the complete IRC was obtained (Figures **S6.2**):

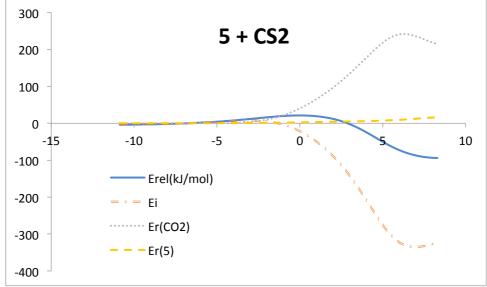


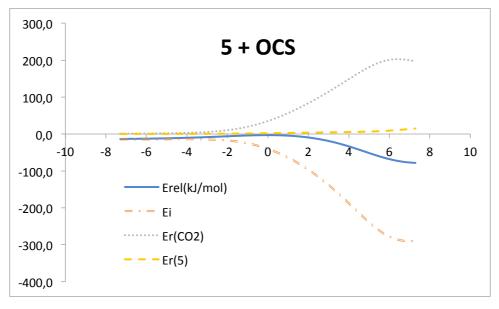


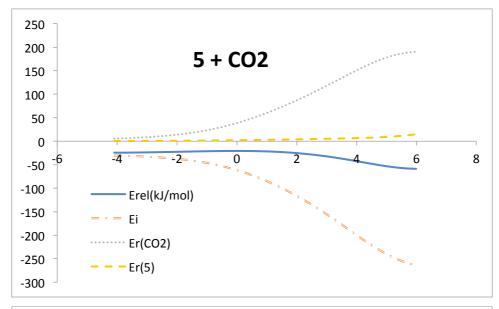


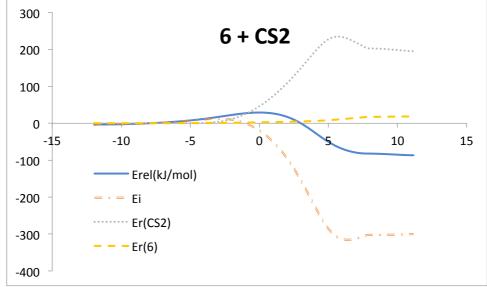


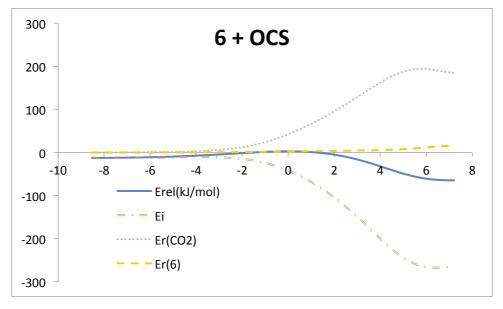


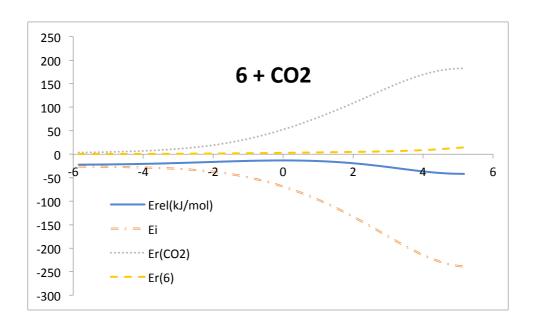












Figures **S6.2.** Distortion-interaction analysis carried out along the path of the reaction between some NHCs and OCS/CS₂. Notations E_{rel} , E_i and E_r stand for the total relative energy, the interaction energy and the distortion (repulsive) energy, respectively (kJ/mol).