

Conformation of Alkali Metal Ion-Calix[4]arene Complexes

Investigated by IR Spectroscopy in the Gas Phase

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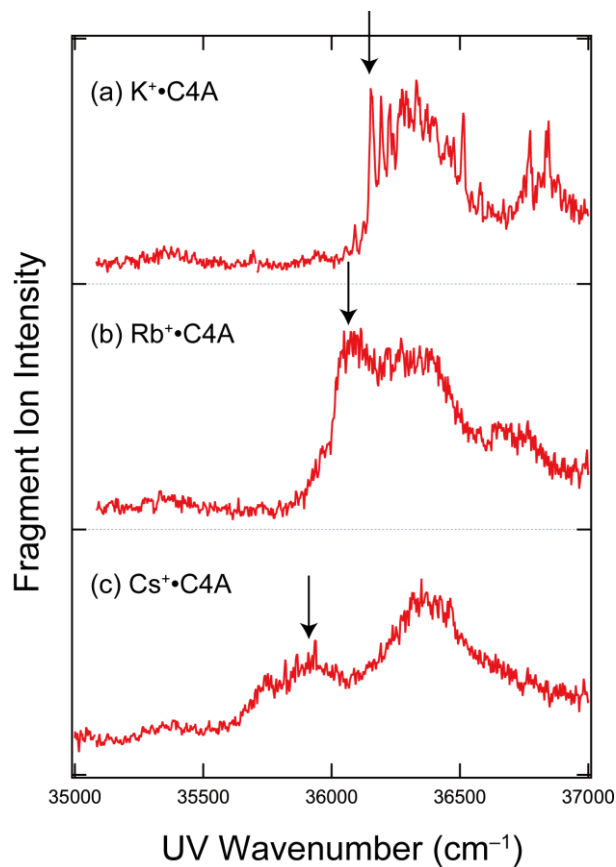


Figure S1. The UVPD spectra of the (a) $\text{K}^+\cdot\text{C4A}$, (b) $\text{Rb}^+\cdot\text{C4A}$, and (c) $\text{Cs}^+\cdot\text{C4A}$ complexes. These spectra are reproduced from our previous paper (*Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.*, 2017, **19**, 12857). The IR-UV spectra in Figs. 1 and 3 are measured at 36156, 36080, and 35920 cm^{-1} for $\text{K}^+\cdot\text{C4A}$, $\text{Rb}^+\cdot\text{C4A}$, and $\text{Cs}^+\cdot\text{C4A}$, respectively. The UV positions for the IR-UV measurement are shown with black arrows.

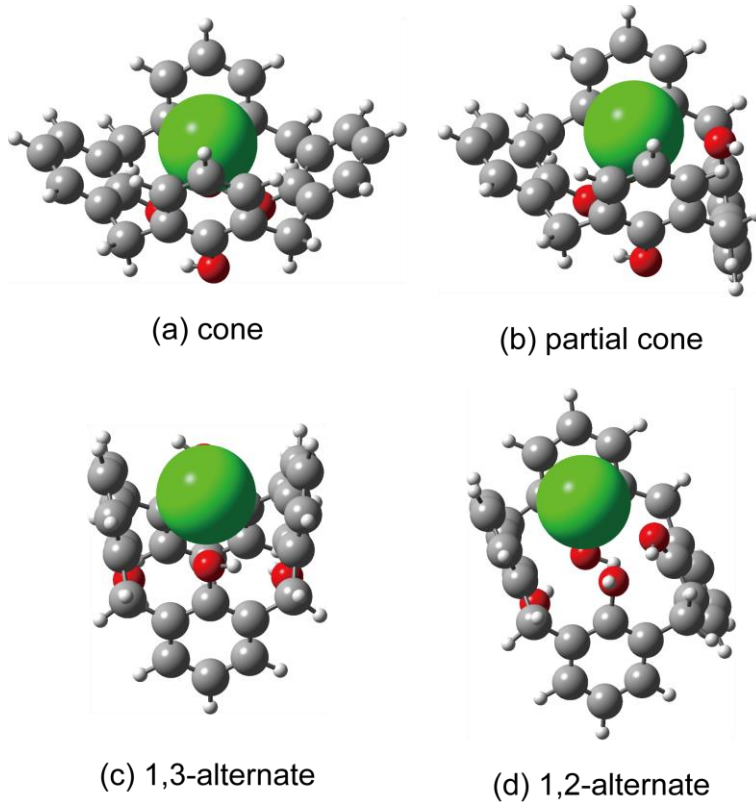


Figure S2. Stable structures of the $K^+ \cdot C_{4A}$ complexes. Geometry optimization is performed at the !B97X-D/6-311++G(d,p) level of theory

Table S1. Relative total energies (kJ/mol) of stable isomers for the M^+ -C4A ($M = K, Rb,$ and Cs) complexes calculated at the !B97X-D/6-311++G(d,p) level of theory. These values are corrected by the zero point energy.

M	cone	partial cone	1,3-alternate	1,2-alternate
K	0	15.9	34.2	63.5
Rb	0	20.7	48.1	59.1
Cs	0	26.1	57.6	62.2