

A DFT study of structure and electrochemical properties of diiron-hydrogenase models with benzenedithiolato and benzenediselenato ligands

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Supporting Information

Table S1: The first and second standard reduction potentials of the $\text{Fe}_2(\text{bdt})(\text{CO})_6$ complex relative to ferrocene electrode computed with different density functionals (in V). For each density functional, the redox potentials of the Fc^+/Fc couple was also evaluated at the same level of theory. Geometry optimizations and energy calculations were performed with continuum solvation model and def2-SVP and def2-TZVPD basis sets, respectively.

SRP	TPSSh	M06	M06-L	B3LYP	PBE0	Exp. ^a
E_1°	-1.31	-1.43	-1.30	-0.89	-1.06	-1.30
E_2°	-1.25	-1.44	-1.23	-1.40	-1.42	-1.15

^a ref. [1, 2]

Table S2: Relative electronic energies of optimized neutral and singly reduced $\text{Fe}_2(\text{bdt})(\text{CO})_6$ complexes with different multiplicity (in kJ/mol). Geometry optimizations and energy calculations were performed at TPSSh/def2-SVP+COSMO and TPSSh/def2-TZVPD+COSMO levels, respectively.

Multiplicity	M		M^-	
	ΔE	Multiplicity	ΔE	Multiplicity
1	0	2	0	
3	123	4	66	
5	213	6	216	

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Figure S1: Optimized isomers of the singly protonated complexes with the benzenedithiolato ligand and their relative free energies.

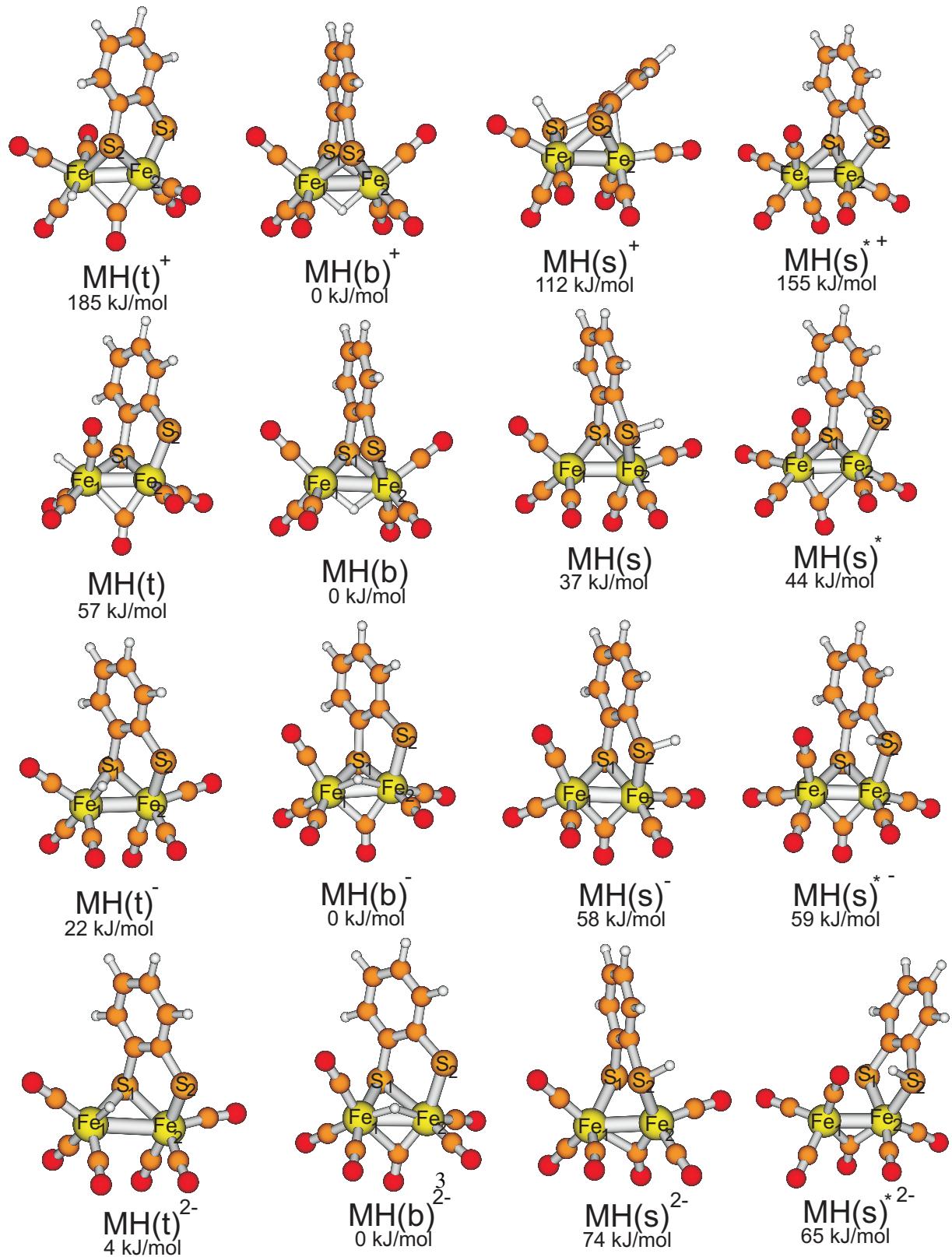


Figure S2: Optimized isomers of the doubly protonated complexes with the benzenedithiolato ligand and their relative free energies.

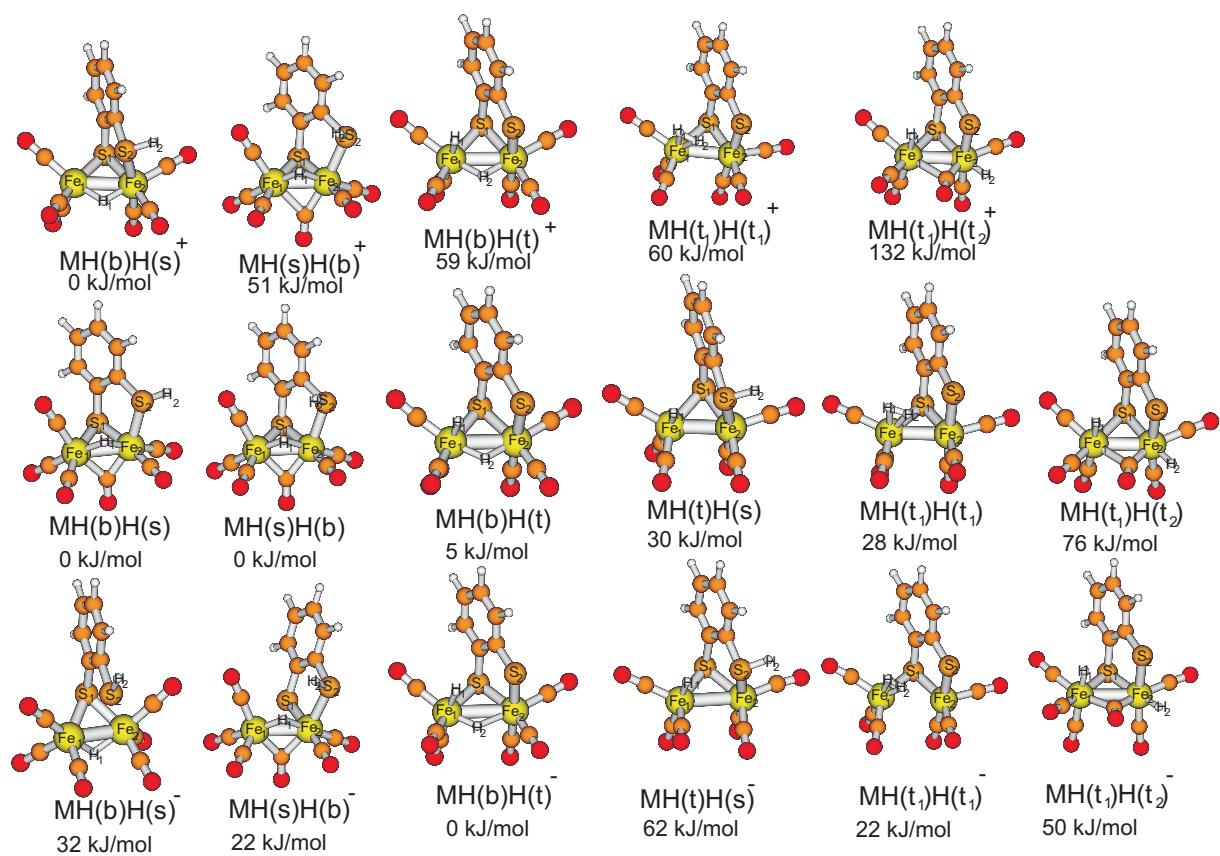


Figure S3: Optimized isomers of the triply protonated complexes with the benzenedithiolato ligand and their relative free energies.

