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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

BPt₄S₄ cluster: a planar tetracoordinate boron system with three

charges all at their global energy minima

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В	0.00000000	0.00000000	0.00000000
Pt	0.00000000	1.99546700	0.00000000
Pt	1.99546700	0.00000000	0.00000000
Pt	-1.99546700	0.00000000	0.00000000
Pt	0.00000000	-1.99546700	0.00000000
S	2.29901600	2.29901600	0.00000000
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1B (<i>C</i> ₁ , ² A)			
В	1.78706100	1.78244200	0.03844700
Pt	-0.06044200	1.34631100	0.23574800
Pt	-0.16903900	-1.39530500	0.02319100
Pt	2.42530600	-0.21797700	-0.10599500
Pt	-2.46997300	0.14959200	-0.15225500
S	-2.34240600	-2.09765400	-0.21288900
S	3. 42768200	2.01125600	-0.48732400
S	1.80335200	-2.29003600	0.53759800
S	-2.11061100	2.39164200	0.14723600
1C (<i>C</i> ₁ , ² A)			
В	1.98517700	-1.66161000	0.18059800
Pt	0.18037000	-1.04884100	0.02550900
Pt	-2.62186100	-0.59388700	-0.21780600
Pt	2.69386200	0.24808300	-0.07048600
Pt	-0.57088500	1.68258900	0.08233200
S	3.67271600	-2.04940200	0.23072300
S	-2.78392800	1.44860500	0.59941400
S	1.59866700	2.18965100	-0.30215800
S	-1.55506900	-2.47332400	0.29527900
1D (C_{s} , ² A'')			
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S	0.22052900	3.24417100	0.00000000
S	-0.22079500	-3.24470700	0.00000000
S	3.24511500	-0.22107400	0.00000000
2 (<i>D</i> _{4<i>h</i>} , ¹ A _{1g})			
В	0.00000000	0.00000000	-0.00000000

Pt	0.00000000	2.00344000	0.0000000
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Pt	2.00344000	0.00000000	0. 00000000
Pt	-2.00344000	0.00000000	0. 00000000
S	2.26768600	2.26768600	0. 00000000
S	-2.26768600	2.26768600	0. 00000000
S	-2.26768600	-2.26768600	0. 00000000
S	2.26768600	-2.26768600	0. 00000000
2B (<i>C</i> ₁ , ¹ A)			
В	1.85533800	-1.82920400	0.08634500
Pt	2.32309800	0.23104800	-0.14280500
Pt	0.02446800	-1.31205200	0.28595200
Pt	-0. 19653900	1.43206600	0.00478900
Pt	-2.44140500	-0.22137600	-0.24237400
S	1.75700200	2.22911900	0.68480700
S	-1.99756000	-2.34237300	0.34213300
S	-2.36677700	1.96890700	-0.03043800
S	3. 44313700	-1.91624700	-0. 56309800
2C (<i>C</i> ₁ , ¹ A)			
В	2.06600400	-1.65225400	0.16412500
Pt	0.24810100	-1.13256300	-0. 10663700
Pt	2.59834200	0.36111100	0.03531800
Pt	-2.53327500	-0.50004200	-0.10066100
Pt	-0.64727300	1.51241800	-0.04699500
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S	3.75806300	-1.78462100	0.39411100
S	1. 42058600	2.18743200	-0. 42677000
S	-2.65221400	1.42367900	0.96661800
2D (<i>C</i> ₁ , ¹ A)			
В	1.87264400	-1.75820100	0.24616400
Pt	-0. 40326600	1.79864200	0.24104500
Pt	-2.72537500	-0.62201000	-0.35105700
Pt	2.67706200	0.09692300	-0.22181000
Pt	0.12527100	-0.99761400	0.20170400
S	-2.57955200	1.54108000	0.04389800
S	-1.66379300	-2.23555700	0.69835600
S	1.72973500	2.09154300	-0.20279900
S	3. 51916300	-2.19283800	0.01794200
3 (<i>C</i> _{2v} , ² A ₂)			
В	0.00000000	0.00000000	-0. 03077000
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Pt	0.00000000	1.42005100	-1.41426100
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0.00000000	0.00000000	3.22358000
0.00000000	3.19369000	0.05250100
0.00000000	-3.19369000	0.05250100
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-1.80449000	-1.88755200	0.13051900
0.00543900	-1.30453000	0.01362300
-2.42574100	0.23989100	-0.04963000
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0.22197800	1.37522100	0.00509700
1.97529000	-2.35466100	0.19395500
-3. 49889200	-1.93387400	0.04573400
2.36035000	1.98583300	0.21674400
-1.73362500	2.34594300	0.09174800
0.57124600	-0.02759300	0.14757900
0.07840200	-1.92300800	0.21300200
0.16642100	1.90489500	0.26088400
2.50998300	-0.02475500	-0.23232200
-2.90306200	0.02251000	-0.40537700
2.31635100	-2.29001300	-0.18345100
-2.05978900	1.85269500	0.41626300
2.40290400	2.23317300	-0.18419300
-2.11523000	-1.68798700	0.70385000
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-2.68995900	0.80821600	0.00000000
-0.18322100	-1.76744800	0.00000000
0.0000000	0.92185500	0.00000000
-2.73512800	3.24185700	0.00000000
2.09852300	1.53329200	0.00000000
-2.41028500	-1.38518300	0.00000000
1.93674100	-2.16675200	0.0000000
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Table S2. Cartesian coordinates for optimized structures of clusters BPt_4S_4H , BPt_4S_4Li and BPt_4S_4Na optimized at B3LYP/def2-TZVP level. BPt_4S_4H (C_5)

В	0.02520300	0.00032000	0.08011600
Pt	0.01231200	-1.95753800	-0.04169000
Pt	0.02207400	1.95807100	-0.04186000
Pt	2.03355900	-0.00492600	0.03557500
Pt	-2.05893400	0.00423700	0.07335400
S	2.31457000	-2.25649700	0.00581700
S	-2.27833800	-2.30848700	-0.12975200
S	-2.26693500	2.31926200	-0.13074700
S	2.32576400	2.24520400	0.00714300
Н	-2.34985000	0.01874900	1.58043300
$BPt_4S_4Li(C_{4y})$			
В	0.00014100	0.00018300	-0.39493100
Pt	1.97418000	0.02624200	-0.02416700
Pt	-1.97473900	-0.02635000	-0.02440300
Pt	-0.02602300	1.97444100	-0.02449800
Pt	0.02657400	-1.97429400	-0.02464600
S	2.25870100	2.31958100	0.06227100
S	2.31935100	-2.25896500	0.06250700
S	-2.25866900	-2.31881600	0.06295600
S	-2.31930600	2.25814000	0.06273700
Li	-0.00044400	-0.00100800	1.86290900
$BPt_4S_4Na(C_{4V})$			
В	0.00092300	0.00001600	-0.38000800
Pt	1.98233600	-0.08569800	-0.07448800
Pt	-1.97959900	0.08562100	-0.07713400
Pt	0.08540400	1.98091600	-0.07574800
Pt	-0.08591900	-1.98092400	-0.07575900
S	2.38717500	2.18873400	0.01851000
S	2.18923400	-2.38660400	0.01854100
S	-2.38738900	-2.19005500	0.01882400
S	-2.18962800	2.38787700	0.01881400
Na	-0.01529000	0.00066200	2.21354500