

## **Electronic Supplementary Information for:**

### **Density functional investigation of methanol dehydrogenation on Pd(100)**

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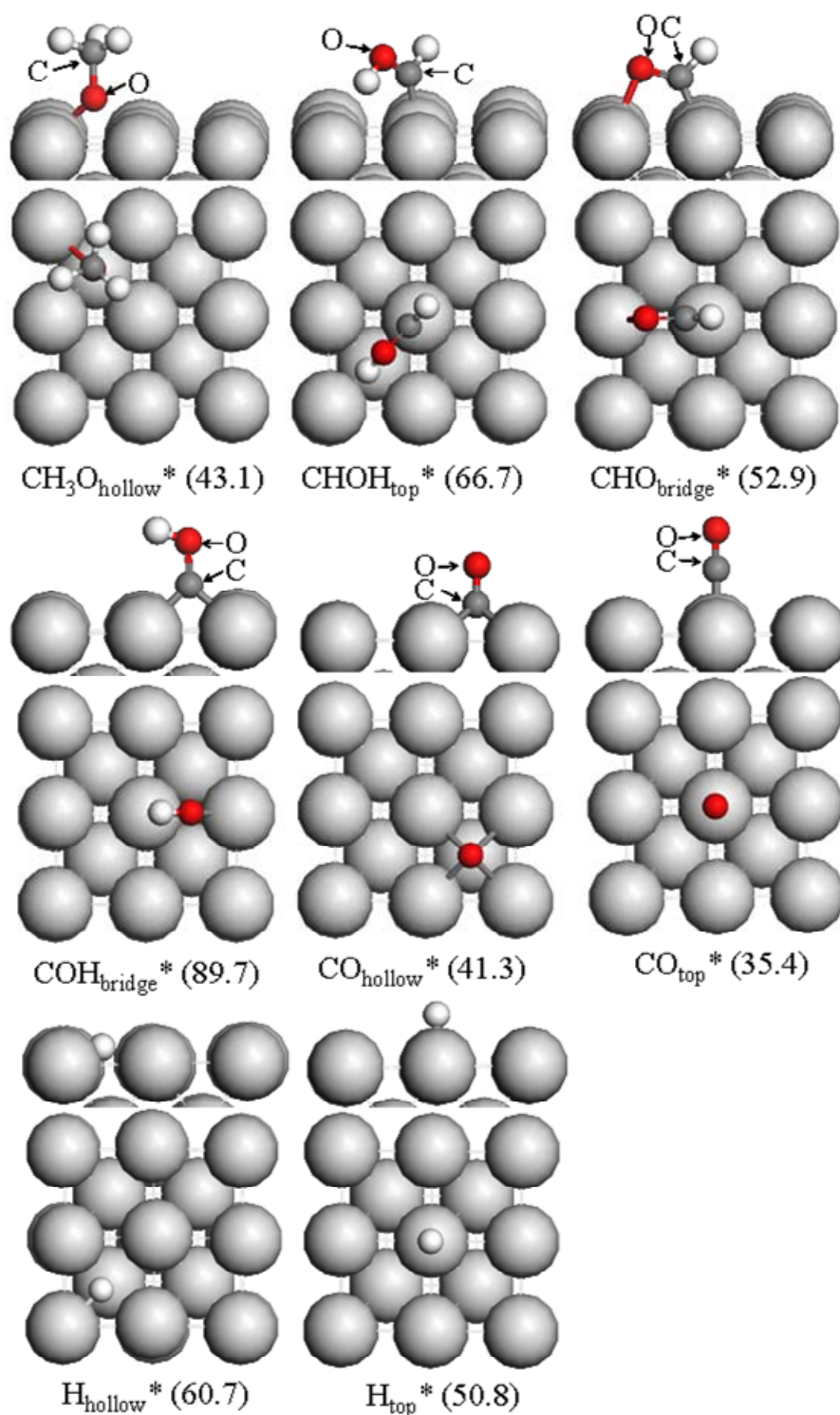
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**Table S1** Calculated vibrational frequencies (in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) and zero-point energies (in  $\text{kcal mol}^{-1}$ ) of all adsorbates on Pd(100) and Pd(111) surfaces

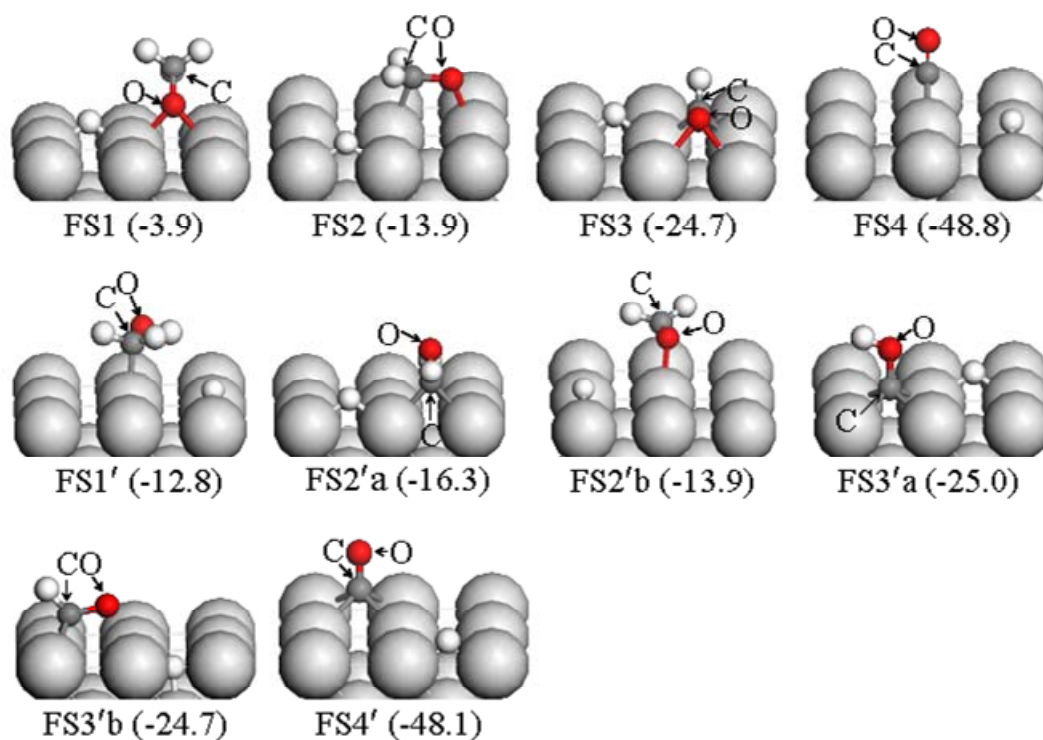
Species	surface	frequencies	ZPE
CH <sub>3</sub> OH*	Pd(111)	3700, 3218, 3146, 3067, 1504, 1494, 1477, 1353, 1180, 1084, 997, 489, 242, 146, 110, 89, 48, 33	32.6
	Pd(100)	3732, 3218, 3142, 3064, 1489, 1478, 1463, 1343, 1158, 1076, 994, 474, 211, 135, 121, 69, 50, 32	33.2
CH <sub>3</sub> O*	Pd(111)	3155, 3136, 3066, 1488, 1469, 1434, 1150, 1109, 1046, 295, 263, 242, 102, 53, 23	25.8
	Pd(100)	3143, 3101, 3002, 1485, 1472, 1453, 1160, 1152, 1015, 355, 335, 239, 207, 117, 63	26.2
CH <sub>2</sub> OH*	Pd(111)	3694, 3212, 3098, 1457, 1370, 1189, 1107, 1038, 700, 504, 460, 234, 91, 76, 63	26.2
	Pd(100)	3600, 3224, 3124, 1444, 1356, 1155, 1092, 981, 686, 535, 496, 245, 117, 83, 69	26.0
CH <sub>2</sub> O	Pd(111)	3113, 3014, 1495, 1294, 1177, 956, 510, 403, 264, 166, 162, 54	18.0
	Pd(100)	3092, 3005, 1477, 1279, 1149, 951, 493, 442, 340, 181, 99, 67	18.0
CHOH	Pd(111)	3496, 3120, 1386, 1196, 1167, 875, 506, 469, 404, 257, 158, 76	18.7
	Pd(100)	3426, 3163, 1413, 1207, 1174, 848, 485, 478, 376, 281, 160, 83	18.7
CHO	Pd(111)	3045, 1430, 1158, 759, 497, 310, 307, 196, 188	11.3
	Pd(100)	3027, 1617, 1194, 726, 555, 315, 169, 137, 73	11.2
COH	Pd(111)	3763, 1296, 1134, 525, 486, 389, 187, 173, 27	11.4
	Pd(100)	3753, 1189, 1110, 401, 387, 299, 179, 174, 63	10.8
CO	Pd(111)	1889, 346, 327, 305, 164, 154	4.6
	Pd(100)	1951, 396, 360, 354, 195, 71	4.8
H	Pd(111)	1012, 851, 817	3.8
	Pd(100)	1253, 1208, 388	4.1

**Table S2** Calculated vibrational frequencies (in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) and zero-point energies (in  $\text{kcal mol}^{-1}$ ) of the TSs on Pd(100) and Pd(111) surfaces

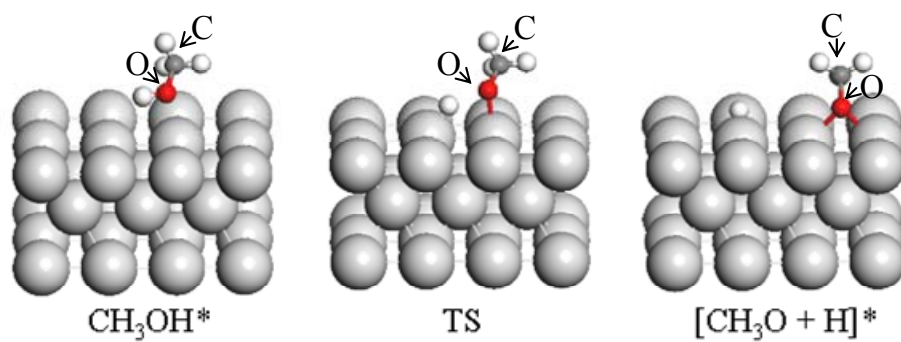
Species	surface	frequencies	ZPE
CH <sub>3</sub> OH → CH <sub>3</sub> O + H	Pd(111)	3092, 3022, 2924, 1589, 1496, 1483, 1475, 1163, 1129, 1020, 854, 252, 195, 64, 44, 35, 24, <i>i</i> 572	28.4
	Pd(100)	3085, 3047, 2929, 1478, 1471, 1448, 1170, 1134, 1024, 719, 634, 448, 310, 269, 206, 125, 62, <i>i</i> 496	28.0
CH <sub>3</sub> O → CH <sub>2</sub> O + H	Pd(111)	3049, 2964, 1986, 1526, 1279, 1234, 1053, 780, 402, 205, 189, 78, 31, 20, <i>i</i> 959	21.2
	Pd(100)	3069, 2980, 1626, 1464, 1388, 1221, 1027, 839, 319, 252, 164, 123, 82, 49, <i>i</i> 681	20.9
CH <sub>2</sub> O → CHO + H	Pd(111)	3116, 1548, 1506, 1221, 751, 693, 493, 245, 170, 153, 106, <i>i</i> 978	14.3
	Pd(100)	2981, 1507, 1325, 1253, 851, 743, 528, 307, 213, 175, 52, <i>i</i> 1032	14.2
CHO → CO + H	Pd(111)	1882, 1789, 581, 384, 304, 227, 115, 73, <i>i</i> 633	7.7
	Pd(100)	1861, 1770, 559, 367, 312, 248, 135, 68, <i>i</i> 754	7.6
CH <sub>3</sub> OH → CH <sub>2</sub> OH + H	Pd(111)	3752, 3247, 3126, 2095, 1491, 1371, 1290, 1125, 973, 846, 506, 332, 280, 106, 70, 33, 15, <i>i</i> 988	29.6
	Pd(100)	3756, 3266, 3193, 1485, 1403, 1317, 1194, 1080, 1034, 755, 700, 412, 370, 220, 129, 116, 81, <i>i</i> 1086	29.3
CH <sub>2</sub> OH → CHOH + H	Pd(111)	3343, 3228, 1481, 1445, 1242, 1220, 946, 639, 536, 488, 215, 119, 85, 36, <i>i</i> 1145	21.5
	Pd(100)	3252, 3201, 1824, 1431, 1224, 1143, 1001, 728, 636, 477, 276, 252, 142, 97, <i>i</i> 831	22.4
CH <sub>2</sub> OH → CH <sub>2</sub> O + H	Pd(111)	3253, 3098, 1499, 1305, 1184, 934, 910, 566, 537, 349, 222, 190, 101, 49, <i>i</i> 1206	20.3
	Pd(100)	3117, 3017, 1983, 1461, 1252, 1141, 880, 451, 435, 303, 237, 139, 59, 38, <i>i</i> 424	20.8
CHOH → COH + H	Pd(111)	3377, 1916, 1251, 1213, 531, 526, 374, 362, 305, 168, 99, <i>i</i> 850	14.5
	Pd(100)	3646, 1377, 1269, 1062, 567, 442, 374, 195, 139, 50, 17, <i>i</i> 1197	13.1
CHOH → CHO + H	Pd(111)	2839, 1701, 1439, 1186, 727, 569, 492, 344, 263, 152, 118, <i>i</i> 892	14.1
	Pd(100)	3053, 1431, 1176, 992, 683, 553, 499, 361, 357, 209, 194, <i>i</i> 1116	13.6
COH → CO + H	Pd(111)	1579, 1357, 544, 422, 359, 323, 243, 161, <i>i</i> 1506	7.1
	Pd(100)	1486, 1419, 583, 433, 328, 248, 232, 142, <i>i</i> 1500	7.0



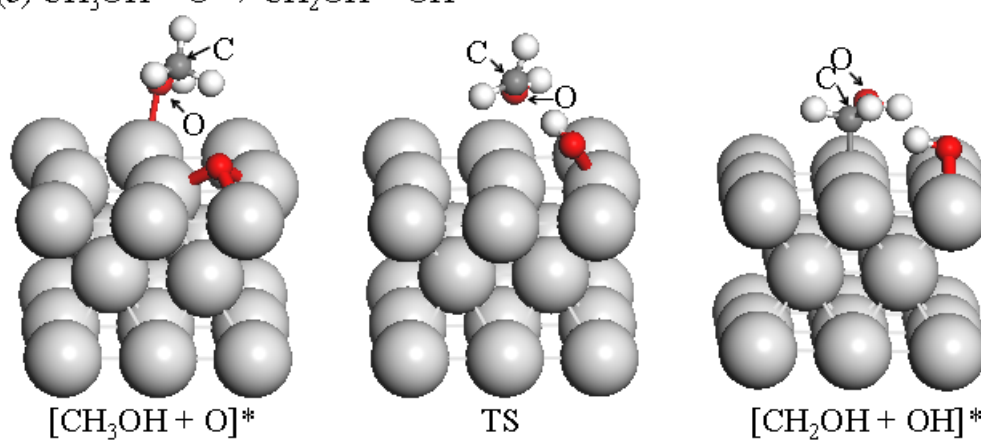
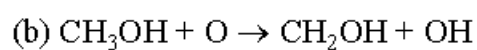
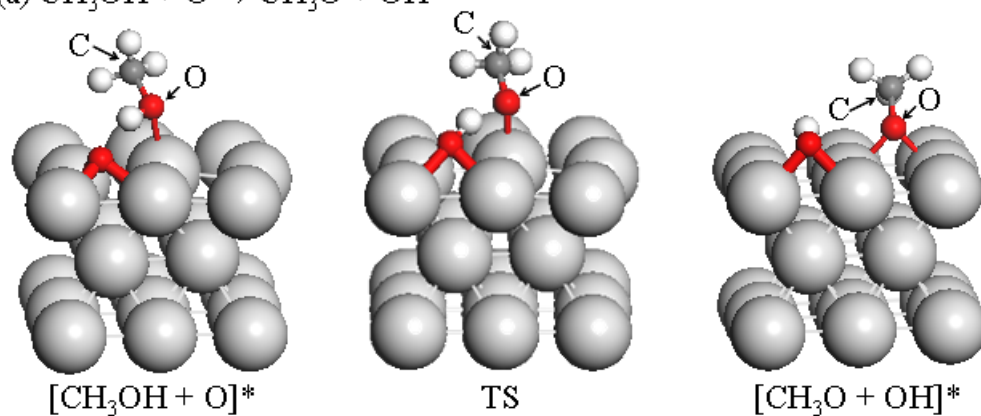
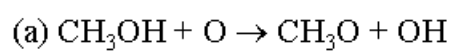
**Fig. S1** Metastable adsorption configurations of intermediates involved in methanol dehydrogenation on Pd(100). Values (in kcal mol<sup>-1</sup>) in parentheses are adsorption energies with ZPE correction.



**Fig. S2** Final states (FS) involved in methanol dehydrogenation on Pd(100). Values (in kcal mol<sup>-1</sup>) in parentheses are the energies of FS with respect to gas-phase methanol plus the clean slab (with ZPE corrections).

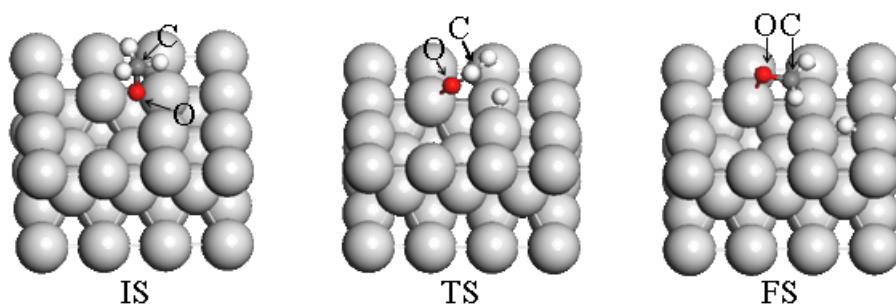


**Fig. S3** Structures involved in O–H bond scission of methanol on (2 × 3) slab Pd(100) model.

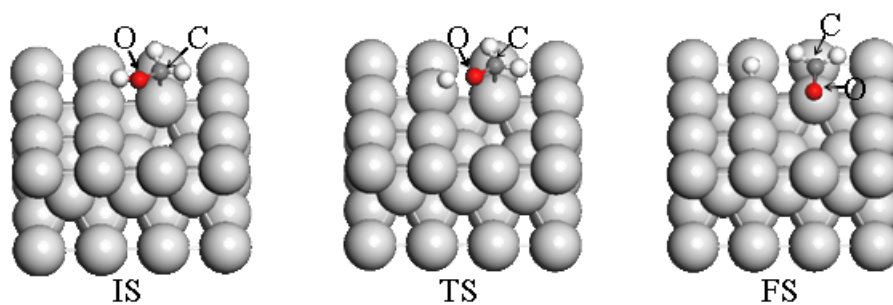


**Fig. S4** Structures involved in methanol dehydrogenation on pre-adsorbed oxygen Pd(100).

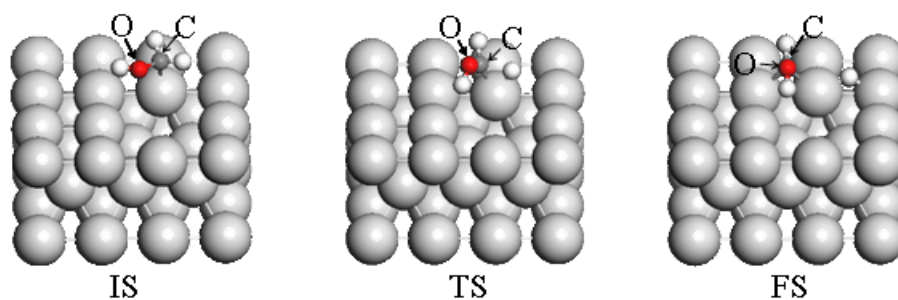
(a) Dehydrogenation of methoxy adsorbed at defect site



(b) O-H bond scission of  $\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$  adsorbed at defect site



(c) C-H bond scission of  $\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$  adsorbed at defect site



**Fig. S5** Structures involved in dehydrogenation of methoxy and hydroxymethyl adsorbed at defect sites on Pd(100).