

**Table S2** Equilibrium, ground and excited states rotational constants, harmonic and anharmonic frequencies of naphthalene from all performed calculations.<sup>a</sup>

	Experimental values	B971/cc-pVTZ//ANO-DZP	B971/cc-pVTZ//ANO-QZP	B3LYP/6-31G**	B971/6-31G**	B971/ANO-DZP	B971/cc-pVTZ	B971/daVDZ	B971/3df2p	B971/ANO-TZP	B971/aVTZ	B971/ANO-QZP	B971/cc-pVQZ	MP2/6-31G**	MP2/ANO-DZP	MP2/cc-pVTZ
<i>eq.</i>																
A <sub>e</sub>				0.104021	0.103539	0.104904	0.104332	0.103181	0.104311	0.106082	0.104304	0.104898	0.104377	0.104056	0.104692	0.104452
B <sub>e</sub>				0.041042	0.040872	0.041389	0.041179	0.040752	0.041176	0.041865	0.041171	0.041403	0.041205	0.041134	0.041313	0.041324
C <sub>e</sub>				0.029430	0.029304	0.029679	0.029526	0.029214	0.029522	0.030018	0.029519	0.029686	0.029543	0.029480	0.029623	0.029609
<i>GS</i>																
A <sub>0</sub>	0.104052	0.104132	0.104126	0.103263	0.102784	0.104065	0.103552	0.102419	0.103501	0.105306	0.103527			0.103114	0.103859	
B <sub>0</sub>	0.041127	0.041132	0.041146	0.040779	0.040612	0.041110	0.040917	0.040494	0.040941	0.041608	0.040910			0.040856	0.041037	
C <sub>0</sub>	0.029484	0.029493	0.029500	0.029240	0.029115	0.029473	0.029334	0.029025	0.029342	0.029829	0.029328			0.029258	0.029420	
<i>V<sub>46</sub></i>																
ω <sub>e</sub>		777.832	772.477	803.656	800.011	836.701	799.957	795.067	798.734	825.050	803.013	830.935	797.976	764.493	823.058	794.956
v <sub>0</sub>	782.331	760.931	755.950	787.199	779.003	805.467	782.764	-3288	-295	796.868	562.354			896.394	800.038	
A <sub>1</sub>	0.103861	0.103997	0.104001	0.103199	0.102720	0.104091	0.103488	0.102353	0.103435	0.105240	0.103462			0.103048	0.103789	
B <sub>1</sub>	0.041121	0.041127	0.041142	0.040774	0.040606	0.041102	0.040911	0.040490	0.040936	0.041601	0.040904			0.040852	0.041029	
C <sub>1</sub>	0.029486	0.029495	0.029502	0.029241	0.029117	0.029473	0.029335	0.029027	0.029344	0.029831	0.029330			0.029261	0.029420	
<i>V<sub>47</sub></i>																
ω <sub>e</sub>		470.240	468.148	491.096	486.372	504.234	484.877	489.318	483.712	496.424	485.809	493.960	483.470	442.162	497.236	477.588
v <sub>0</sub>	473.740	464.632	463.754	484.464	480.321	493.291	483.901	-1446	-239	491.181	3.752			584.215	486.374	
A <sub>1</sub>	0.104052	0.104134	0.104129	0.103261	0.102783	0.104055	0.103551	0.102421	0.103500	0.105303	0.103525			0.103141	0.103851	
B <sub>1</sub>	0.041145	0.041130	0.041145	0.040778	0.040610	0.041108	0.040915	0.040492	0.040941	0.041606	0.040909			0.040858	0.041036	
C <sub>1</sub>	0.029470	0.029504	0.029511	0.029250	0.029126	0.029483	0.029345	0.029036	0.029354	0.029840	0.029339			0.029272	0.029430	
<i>V<sub>48</sub></i>																
ω <sub>e</sub>		156.776	155.661	175.675	173.963	179.586	171.881	175.067	171.261	175.111	171.833	175.256	170.774	165.914	176.984	169.615
v <sub>0</sub>	166.658	150.900	150.478	171.760	168.640	174.937	167.856	-5808	-1081	168.014	-429.970			179.296	173.461	
A <sub>1</sub>	0.103833	0.103907	0.103901	0.103046	0.102567	0.103843	0.103333	0.102208	0.103282	0.105084	0.103308			0.102895	0.103636	
B <sub>1</sub>	0.041155	0.041165	0.041180	0.040807	0.040640	0.041137	0.040946	0.040522	0.040971	0.041637	0.040940			0.040887	0.041065	
C <sub>1</sub>	0.029514	0.029523	0.029530	0.029265	0.029141	0.029499	0.029361	0.029051	0.029369	0.029856	0.029355			0.029286	0.029446	
<i>N basis functions</i>																
				190	190	252	412	424	470	484	644	732	790			
<i>CPU time /days</i>																
				2.5	5	58	88	125	102	494	695			97	427	
						0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	1	0.3	3	4	0.2	2	36
All values are in cm <sup>-1</sup>																
3df2p = 6-311++G(3df,2p); daVDZ = d-aug-cc-pVDZ; aVTZ = aug-cc-pVTZ; ANO-XZP = ANO-RCC reduced to double-ζ (X=D), triple-ζ (X=T) and quadruple-ζ (X=Q) polarization																
A <sub>i</sub> , B <sub>i</sub> , C <sub>i</sub> = rotational constants at equilibrium (i=e), of the ground state (i=0) and of the excited state (i=1).																
ω <sub>e</sub> = harmonic frequency																
v <sub>0</sub> = anharmonic frequency																