

## Supporting information

# Insight into the general rule for the activation of the X-H bonds (X=C, N, O, S) induced by the chemisorbed oxygen atom

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**Table S1**

Surfa ce	clean					oxygen pre-adsorbed				
	NH <sub>3</sub>	H <sub>2</sub> O	CH <sub>3</sub> OH	H <sub>2</sub> S	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	NH <sub>3</sub>	H <sub>2</sub> O	CH <sub>3</sub> OH	H <sub>2</sub> S	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>
Cu	-0.40	-0.23	-0.12 (-0.52)	-0.32	-0.30	-0.96	-0.33	-0.31	-0.24	-0.11 (-0.61)
Ag	-0.31	-0.11 (-0.36)	-0.06 (-0.42)	-0.10 (-0.46)	0.06 (-0.32)	-0.81	-0.34	-0.28	-0.23	-0.11 (-0.50)
Au	-0.28	-0.10 (-0.31)	-0.08 (-0.41)	-0.14	-0.02 (-0.39)	-0.67	-0.18	-0.13 (-0.40)	-0.17	0.02 (-0.36)
Ni	-0.54	-0.10 (-0.30)	-0.19	-0.55	-0.51	-0.92	-0.43	-0.17	-0.62	0.37 (-0.34)
Pd	-0.59	-0.32	-0.24	-0.79	-0.82	-0.77	-0.16	-0.17	-0.24	0.11 (-0.20)
Pt	-0.77	-0.19 (-0.39)	-0.15	-0.63	-1.05	-0.88	-0.09	-0.10 (-0.41)	-0.74	-0.59
Rh	-0.76 (-0.90)	-0.33	-0.31	-0.78	-0.90	-1.14	-0.22	-0.20	-0.43	-0.27
Ru	-0.84	-0.40	-0.34	-0.68	-0.70	-1.08	-0.12 (-0.36)	-0.18	-0.26	-0.25
Os	-0.93	-0.43	-0.35	-0.57	-0.53	-1.13	-0.50	-0.11 (-0.44)	0.00 (-0.43)	-0.41
Ir	-0.80	-0.24	-0.22	-0.62	-0.85	-1.06	-0.15	-0.19	-0.11 (-0.59)	-0.56

Note: The data is parenthesis related to the dispersion effect correction based on the PBE functional.

**Table S2**

Surfaces	clean				
	NH <sub>2</sub> +H	OH+H	CH <sub>3</sub> O+H	SH+H	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> +H
Cu	-4.76	-5.63	-4.89	-5.20	-4.65
Ag	-3.76	-4.84	-2.95	-4.38	-3.50
Au	-3.54	-4.07	-3.22	-4.13	-3.71
Ni	-5.54	-6.05	-4.80	-5.81	-5.44
Pd	-5.12	-5.70	-4.87	-6.03	-5.65
Pt	-5.09	-5.03	-4.27	-5.33	-5.73
Rh	-5.64	-5.82	-4.99	-5.63	-5.68
Ru	-5.92	-6.17	-5.47	-5.77	-5.94
Os	-5.69	-5.39	-4.79	-5.72	-5.62
Ir	-5.22	-5.39	-4.36	-5.55	-5.76
	oxygen pre-adsorbed				
	NH <sub>2</sub> +H	OH+H	CH <sub>3</sub> O+H	SH+H	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> +H
Cu	-5.05	-6.15	-4.68	-5.03	-4.52
Ag	-5.63	-6.03	-5.12	-5.61	-4.96
Au	-5.32	-5.67	-4.64	-5.49	-4.88
Ni	-4.67	-5.53	-3.80	-4.69	-4.30
Pd	-5.12	-5.54	-4.12	-4.88	-4.80
Pt	-5.51	-5.63	-4.71	-5.23	-5.27
Rh	-5.25	-5.25	-4.44	-5.08	-4.78
Ru	-4.79	-5.17	-4.27	-4.83	-4.67
Os	-5.44	-5.73	-3.67	-4.78	-4.80
Ir	-5.53	-5.71	-4.43	-4.09	-5.16

**Table S3**

<b>Surfaces</b>	<b>Adsorption Site</b>	<b>Adsorption energy /eV</b>
Cu(111)	Fcc	-5.17
Ag(111)	Fcc	-3.92
Au(111)	Fcc	-3.47
Ni(111)	Fcc	-5.95
Pd(111)	Fcc	-4.87
Pt(111)	Fcc	-4.75
Rh(111)	Fcc	-5.52
Ru(0001)	Hcp	-6.35
Os(0001)	Hcp	-6.16
Ir(111)	Fcc	-5.21

**Table S4**

Surfaces	Clean surface			O/M surface			
	$E_a$ (eV)	$\Delta H$ (eV)	N-H(Å)	$E_a$ (eV)	$\Delta H$ (eV)	N-H(Å)	O-H(Å)
Cu(111)	1.53	0.62	1.45	1.05	0.91	1.64	1.04
Ag(111)	2.19	1.55	1.78	0.54	0.18	1.78	1.02
Au(111)	2.12	1.75	1.88	0.71	0.36	1.81	1.02
Ni(111)	1.21	0.01	1.47	1.42	1.26	1.66	1.03
Pd(111)	1.52	0.48	1.54	1.00	0.66	1.74	1.03
Pt(111)	1.23	0.69	2.02	1.09	0.39	1.73	1.04
Rh(111)	1.48	0.13	1.47	1.21	0.90	1.74	1.03
Ru(0001)	1.43	-0.07	1.47	1.29	1.25	1.88	1.01
Os(0001)	1.47	0.25	1.46	1.41	0.69	1.75	1.03
Ir(111)	1.71	0.58	1.58	1.22	0.54	1.93	1.01

**Table S5**

Surfaces	Clean surface			O/M surface			
	$E_a$ (eV)	$\Delta H$ (eV)	O-H(Å)	$E_a$ (eV)	$\Delta H$ (eV)	O-H <sup>[a]</sup> (Å)	O-H <sup>[b]</sup> (Å)
Cu(111)	1.17	0.24	1.55	0.33	-0.18	1.29	1.16
Ag(111)	1.78	0.91	1.82	0.14	-0.06	1.26	1.19
Au(111)	1.76	1.66	1.90	0.14	-0.40	1.53	1.04
Ni(111)	0.91	-0.32	1.55	0.66	0.54	1.54	1.05
Pd(111)	1.01	0.25	1.70	0.50	0.26	1.84	1.00
Pt(111)	0.86	0.78	1.76	0.30	0.10	1.75	1.00
Rh(111)	0.88	0.14	1.91	0.65	0.61	1.24	1.20
Ru(0001)	0.89	-0.12	1.49	0.62	0.58	1.81	1.00
Os(0001)	0.89	0.46	1.50	0.47	0.41	1.21	1.23
Ir(111)	0.75	0.48	1.52	0.34	0.08	1.00	1.73

[a],[b] means the distance between dissociated hydrogen atom to difference oxygen atoms

**Table S6**

Surfaces	Clean surface			O/M surface			
	$E_a$ (eV)	$\Delta H$ (eV)	O-H(Å)	$E_a$ (eV)	$\Delta H$ (eV)	O-H <sup>[a]</sup> (Å)	O-H <sup>[b]</sup> (Å)
Cu(111)	1.12	-0.04	1.87	0.37	0.35	1.65	1.01
Ag(111)	1.40	0.83	1.84	0.17	-0.12	1.75	1.01
Au(111)	1.75	1.58	1.55	0.32	0.22	1.17	1.28
Ni(111)	0.83	-0.41	1.49	1.24	0.59	1.70	1.01
Pd(111)	0.95	0.09	1.63	0.51(0.43)	0.30(0.16)	1.55	1.04
Pt(111)	0.80	0.61	1.63	0.23	0.13	1.10	1.36
Rh(111)	0.86	0.04	1.56	0.69	0.49	1.51	1.07
Ru(0001)	0.73	-0.40	1.47	0.76	0.65	1.76	1.01
Os(0001)	0.70	0.29	1.68	1.20(1.13)	1.18(1.09)	1.49	1.06
Ir(111)	0.73	0.60	1.57	0.69	0.48	1.66	1.00

[a][b]means the distance between dissociated hydrogen atom to difference oxygen atoms

Note: The data is parenthesis related to the dispersion effect correction based on the PBE functional.



**Table S7**

Surfaces	Clean surface			O/M surface			
	$E_a$ (eV)	$\Delta H$ (eV)	S-H(Å)	$E_a$ (eV)	$\Delta H$ (eV)	S-H(Å)	O-H(Å)
Cu(111)	0.36(0.31)	-0.65(-0.78)	1.81	0.03	-0.56	1.50	1.42
Ag(111)	0.83(0.76)	-0.05(-0.17)	2.04	0.01	-1.16	1.44	1.62
Au(111)	0.80(0.72)	0.24(0.11)	2.17	0.08	-1.09	1.48	1.52
Ni(111)	0.17	-1.03	1.68	0.21	0.16	1.60	1.27
Pd(111)	0.28	-1.01	1.85	0.17	-0.42	1.50	1.43
Pt(111)	0.47	-0.47	1.67	0.18	-0.26	1.50	1.43
Rh(111)	0.26	-0.62	1.66	0.21	-0.58	1.55	1.38
Ru(0001)	0.25	-0.86	1.50	0.18	-0.34	1.52	1.36
Os(0001)	0.40(0.37)	-0.92(-1.03)	1.67	0.32(0.29)	-0.55(-0.65)	1.67	1.17
Ir(111)	0.42	-0.71	1.68	0.26	0.24	1.57	1.30

Note: The data is parenthesis related to the dispersion effect correction based on the PBE functional.

**Table S8**

Surfaces	Clean surface			O/M surface			
	$E_a$ (eV)	$\Delta H$ (eV)	C-H(Å)	$E_a$ (eV)	$\Delta H$ (eV)	C-H(Å)	O-H(Å)
Cu(111)	1.36	0.65	1.72	1.07	0.59	1.42	1.23
Ag(111)	1.93	1.44	1.90	1.25	0.15	1.38	1.45
Au(111)	1.61	1.30	1.76	0.62	0.10	1.83	1.02
Ni(111)	0.57	0.07	1.73	1.05	0.33	1.43	1.20
Pd(111)	0.98	0.17	1.67	1.01	0.09	1.40	1.26
Pt(111)	0.96	0.33	1.59	1.77	0.32	1.44	1.22
Rh(111)	0.54	0.21	1.62	1.13	0.49	2.00	0.99
Ru(0001)	0.24	-0.24	1.85	1.11	0.58	1.58	1.18
Os(0001)	0.30	-0.09	1.66	1.14	0.61	1.54	1.25
Ir(111)	0.43	0.10	1.35	1.29	0.40	1.36	1.45

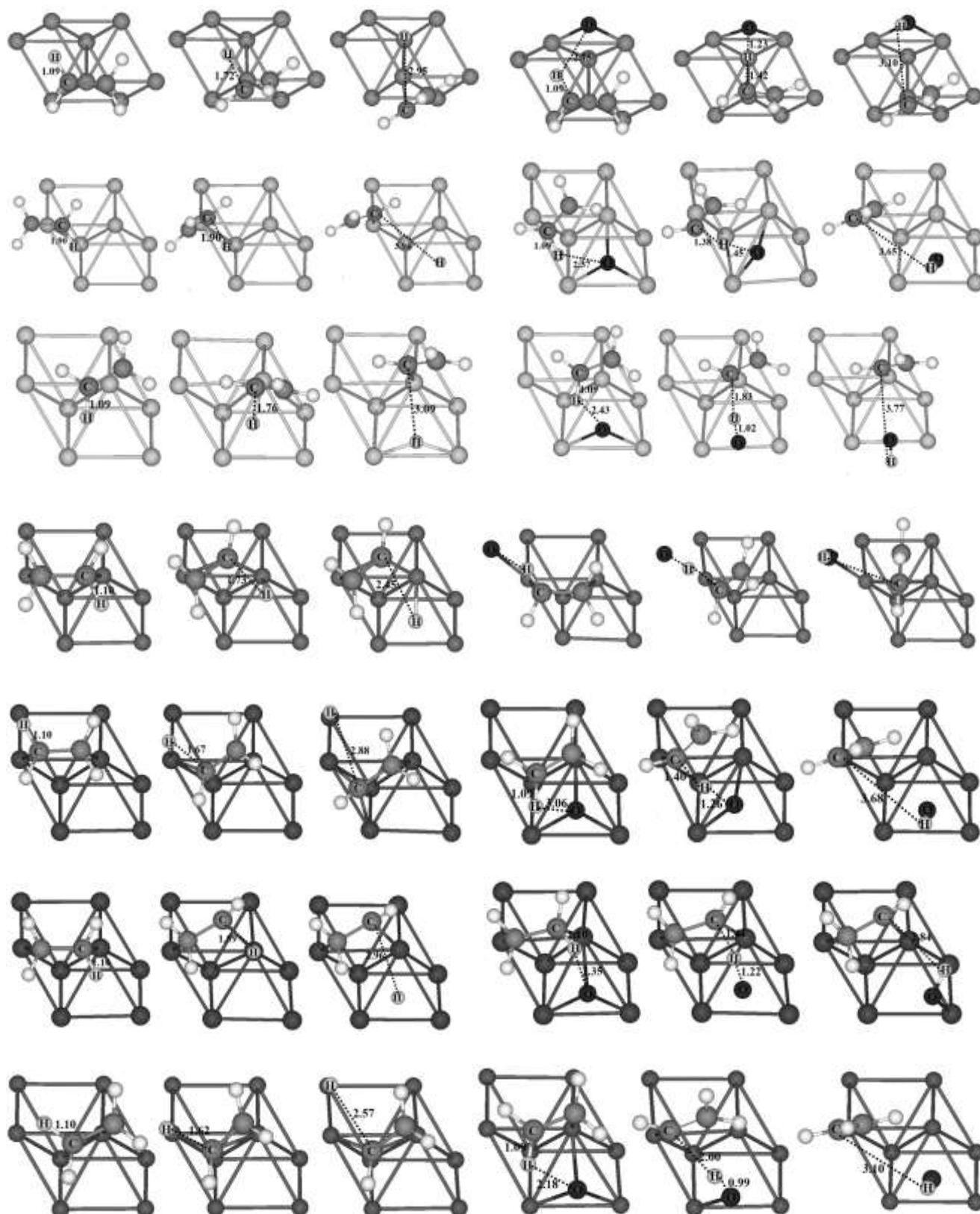
**Table S9**

	<b>Surface</b>	$\Delta E_{XH_x}^{IS}$	$\Delta E_{XH_{x-1}}^{TS}$	$\Delta E_H^{TS}$	$\Delta \sum E^{TS}$	$\Delta E_{int}$	$\Delta E_a$
	Cu(111)	-0.61	0.79	-0.87	-0.08	-1.01	-0.48
NH <sub>3</sub>	Au(111)	-0.43	0.10	0.21	0.31	-2.15	-1.41
	Ru(0001)	-0.25	0.23	-0.58	-0.35	-0.04	-0.14
	Cu(111)	-0.56	0.86	0.12	1.01	-2.41	-0.84
H <sub>2</sub> O	Au(111)	-0.12	0.47	-1.52	-1.05	-0.78	-1.71
	Ru(0001)	0.22	0.27	0.31	0.58	-0.63	-0.27
	Cu(111)	-0.16	0.28	-0.38	-0.10	-0.81	-0.75
CH <sub>3</sub> OH	Au(111)	-0.06	0.32	-0.39	-0.07	-1.42	-1.43
	Ru(0001)	0.18	0.28	0.26	0.54	-0.33	0.03
	Cu(111)	0.12	1.11	1.38	2.49	-2.70	-0.33
H <sub>2</sub> S	Au(111)	-0.04	0.66	1.10	1.76	-2.52	-0.72
	Ru(0001)	0.23	0.89	1.80	2.68	-2.82	-0.37
	Cu(111)	0.17	0.89	0.67	1.56	-1.68	-0.29
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	Au(111)	0.06	0.86	-1.55	-0.68	-0.24	-0.99
	Ru(0001)	0.41	0.75	0.91	1.66	-0.35	0.90

**Table S10**

Surfaces	Oxygen coverage	O/M surface			
		$E_a$ (eV)	$\Delta H$ (eV)	O-H(Å)	O-H(Å)
Cu(111)	1/9	0.25	-0.32	1.25	1.18
	2/9	0.27	-0.28	1.24	1.20
	3/9	0.16	-0.52	1.27	1.19
	4/9	0.33	0.29	1.26	1.20
	5/9	0.47	0.25	1.29	1.20
Au(111)	1/9	0.61	0.12	1.29	1.16
	2/9	0.90	0.32	1.70	1.03
	3/9	0.75	0.41	1.58	1.04
	4/9	1.17	0.53	1.46	1.09
	5/9	1.20	0.21	1.45	1.07
Ru(0001)	1/9	0.58	0.28	1.77	1.01
	2/9	0.60	0.27	1.50	1.07
	3/9	0.40	0.35	1.59	1.03
	4/9	0.47	0.31	1.27	1.18
	5/9	0.75	0.29	1.68	1.03

Figure S1



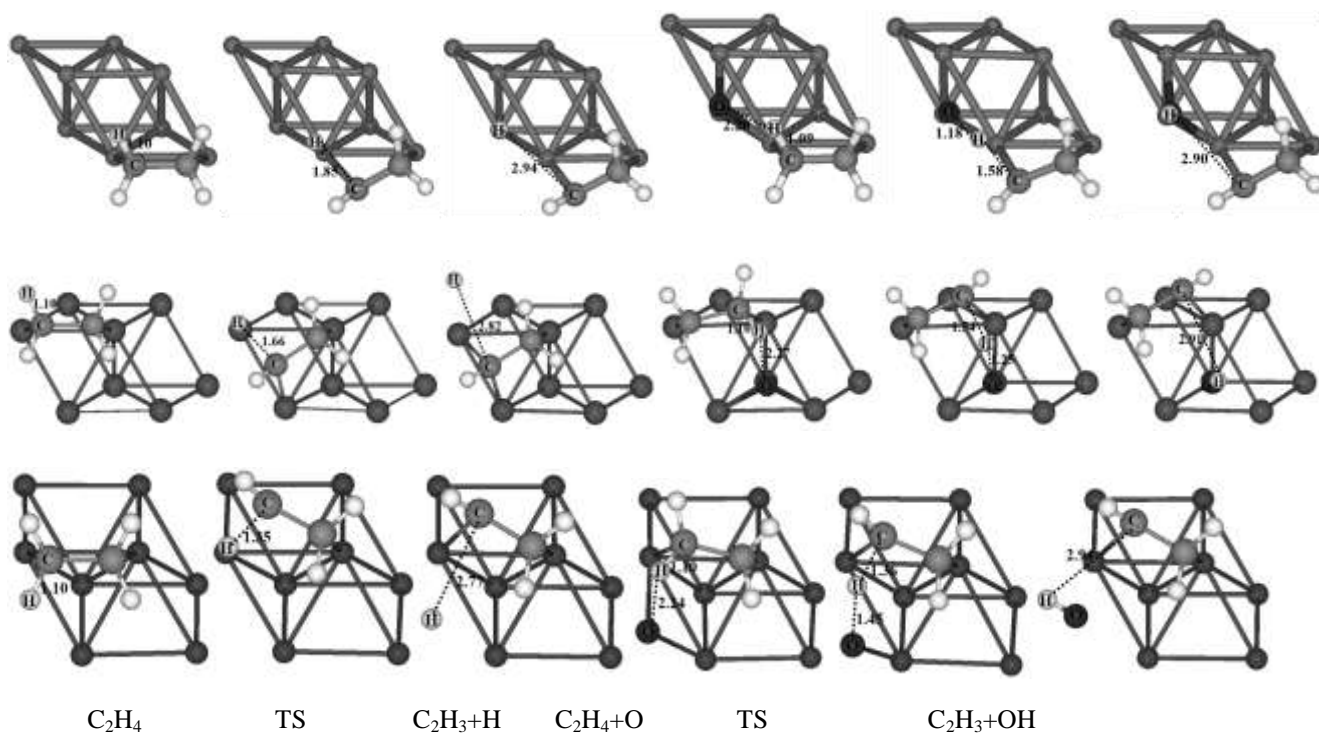
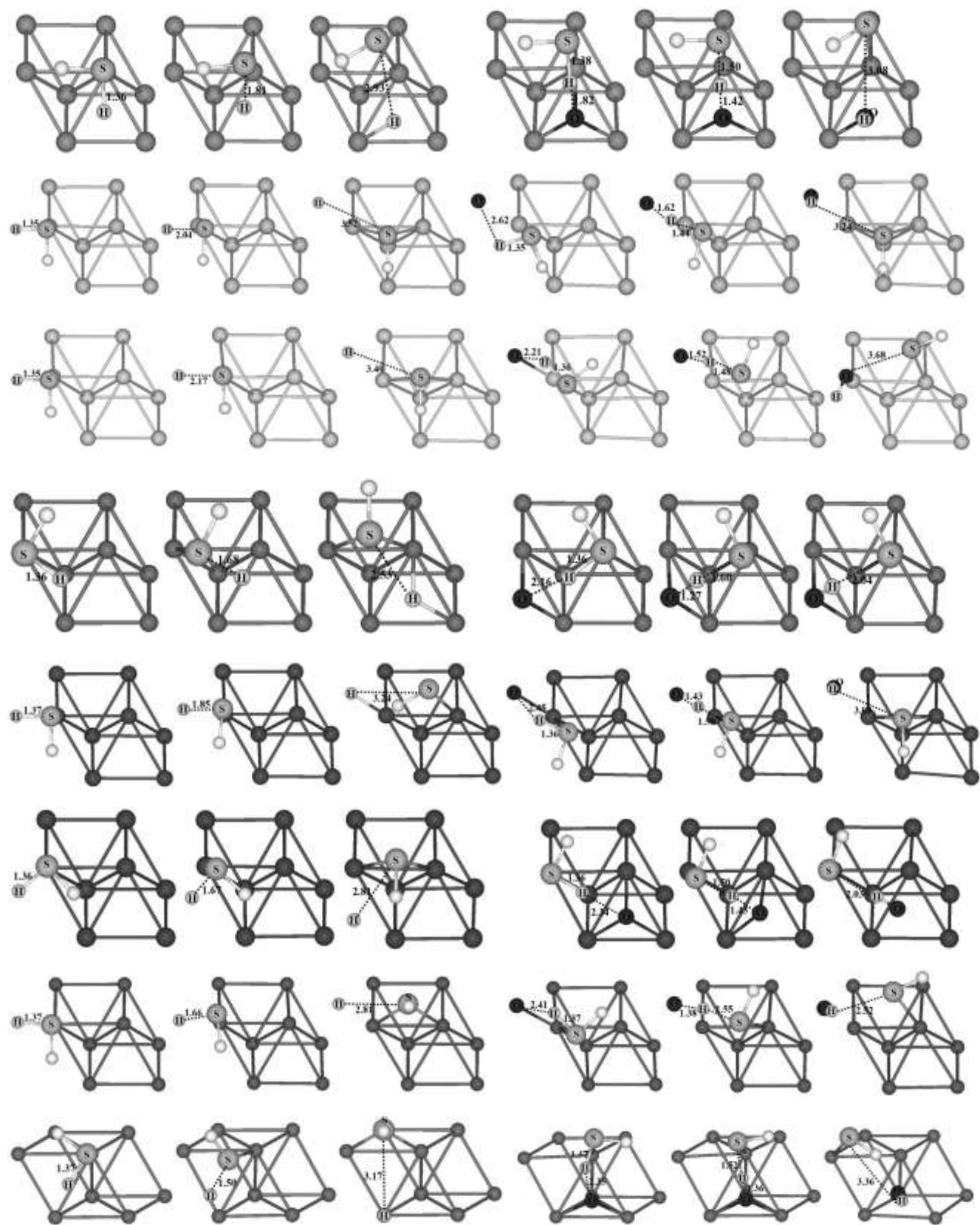


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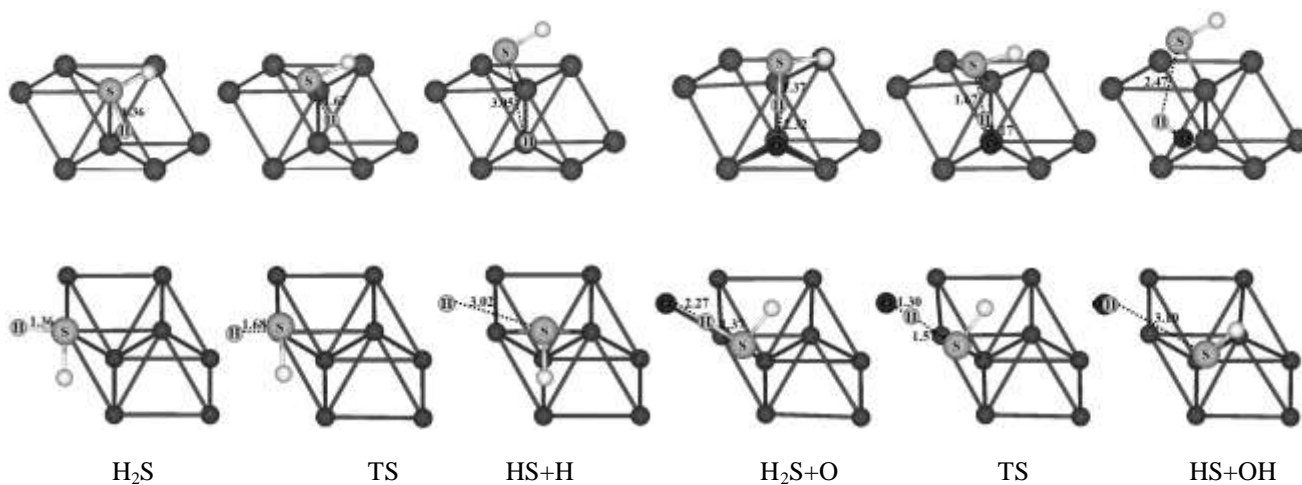
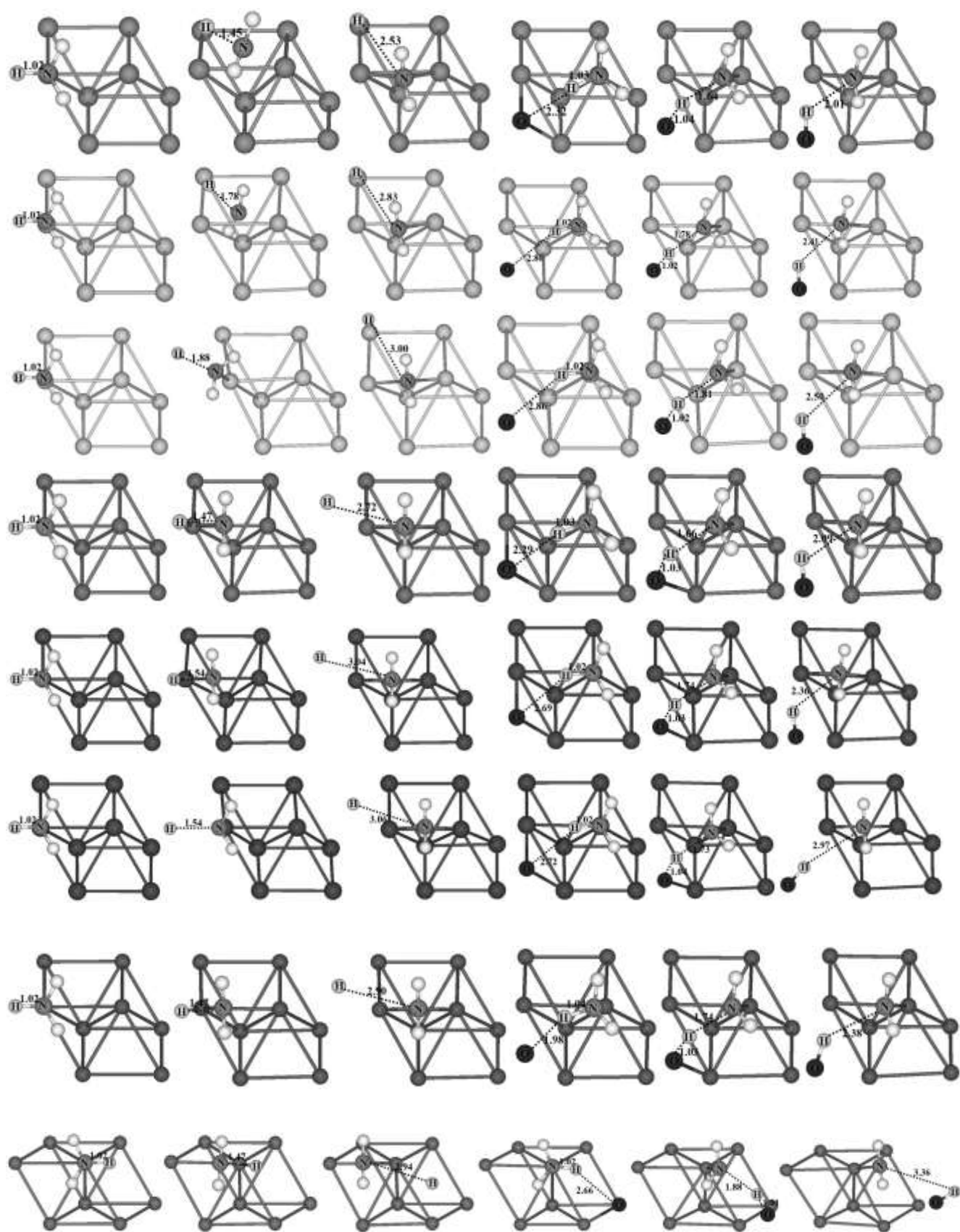




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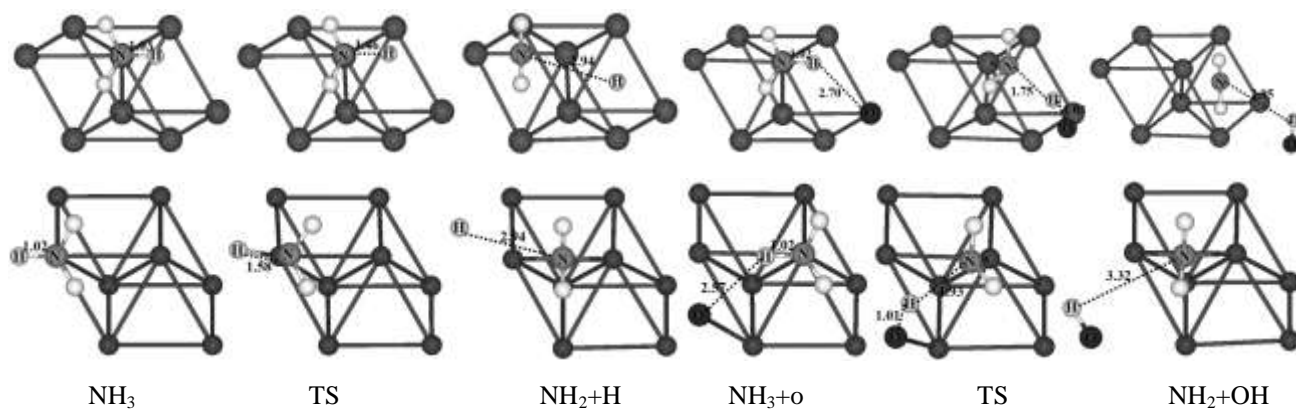
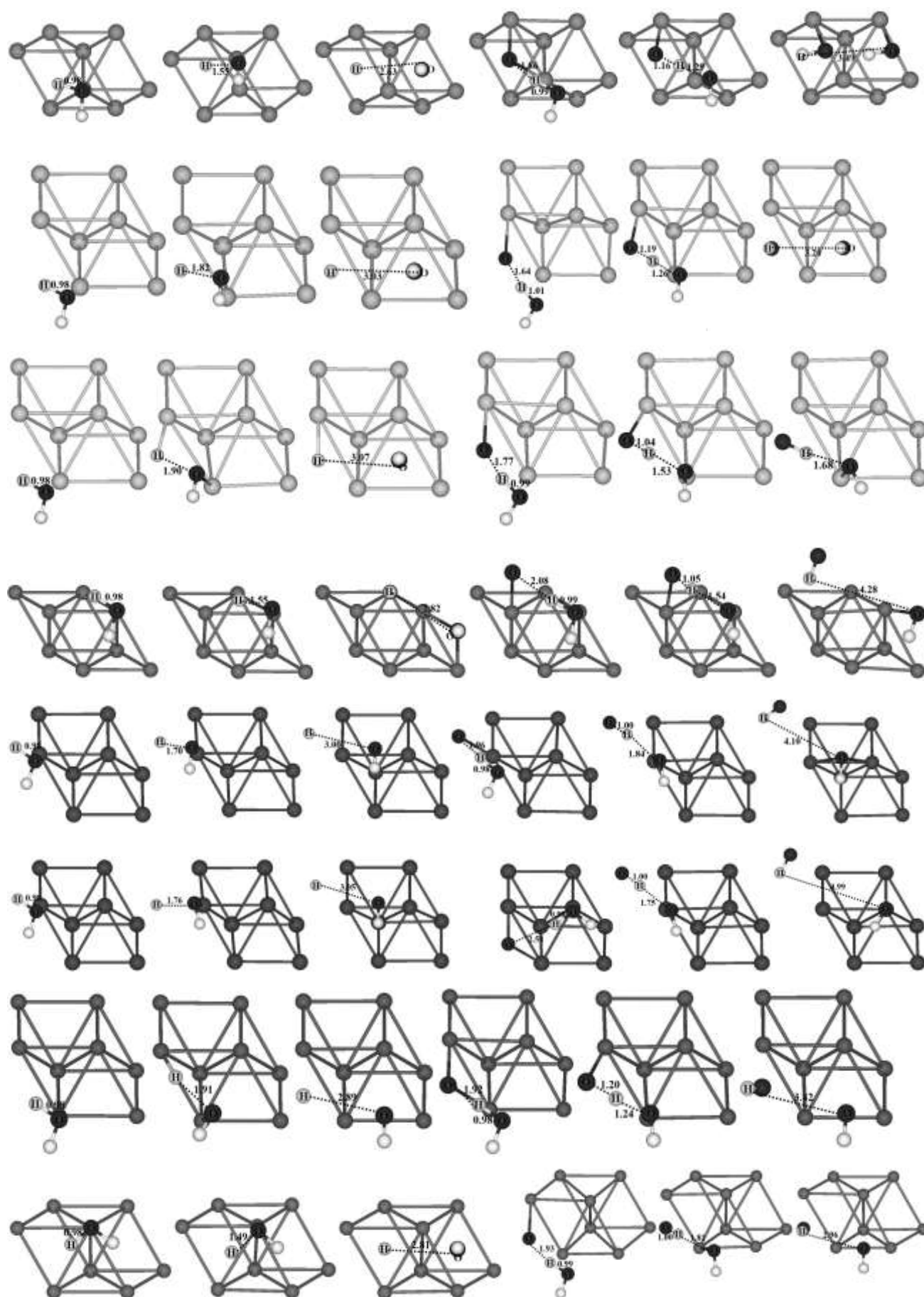


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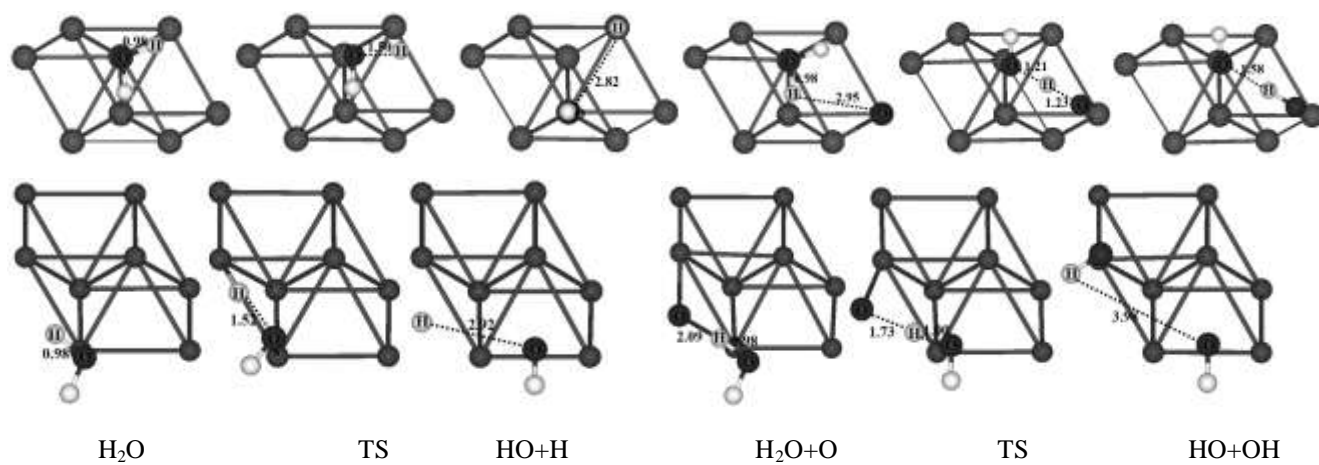
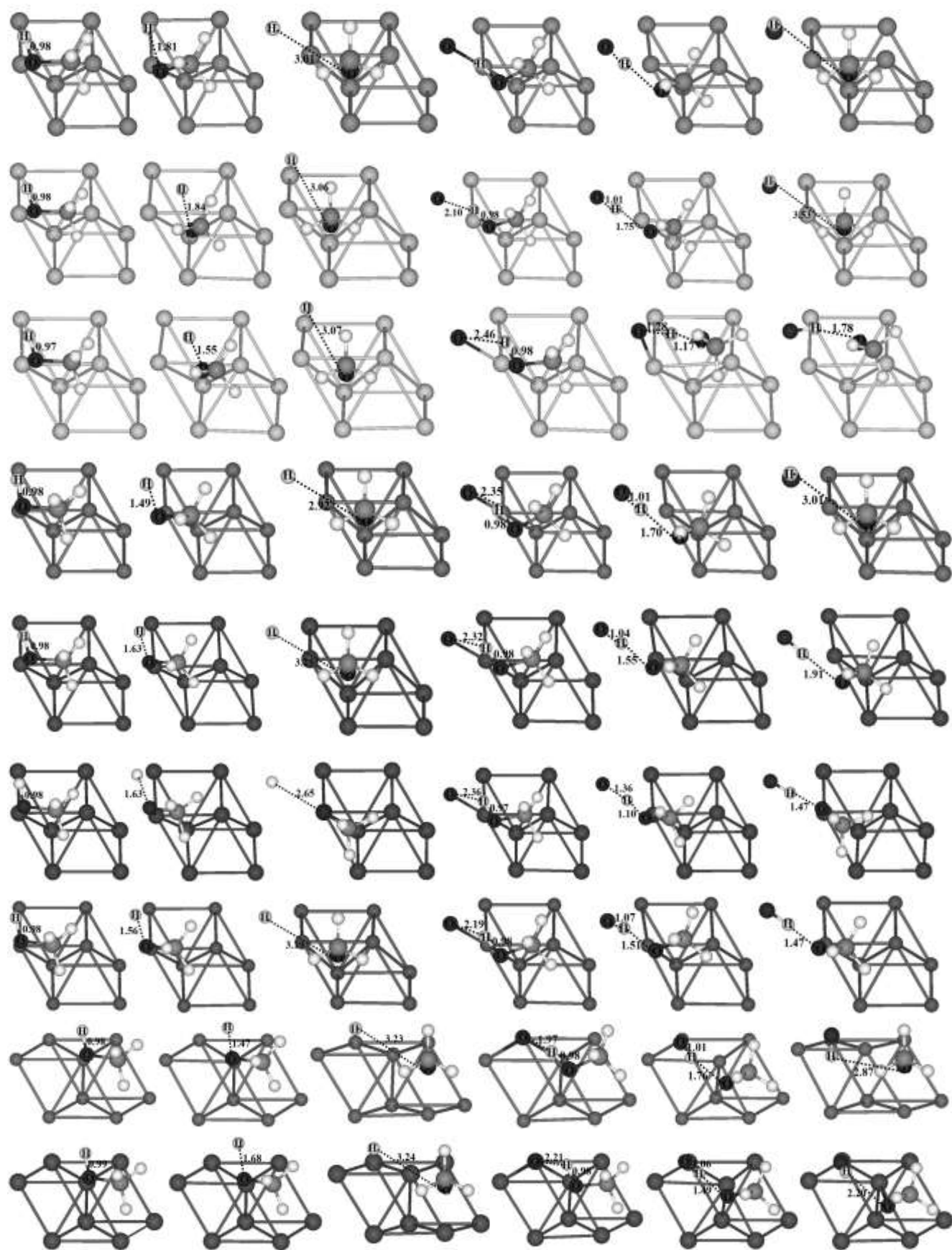


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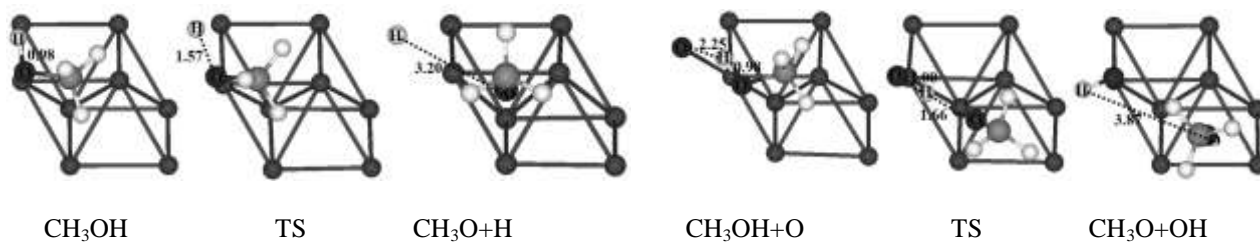


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