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A New Insight on the 5-Carboxycytosine and 5-Formylcytosine under Typical Bisulfite Conditions: A Deamination Mechanism Studies

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Table S1 The Relevant Energy Information^a (in kJ·mol⁻¹) of Different 5-caCytN3⁺-SO₃⁻ Isomers
Both in the Gas and Aqueous Phases

Species	ΔE^g /(kJ·mol ⁻¹)	ΔG^g /(kJ·mol ⁻¹)	ΔG^s /(kJ·mol ⁻¹)
R1	0.00	0.00	0.00
R2	8.69	8.55	-2.53
R3	14.77	14.99	-1.28
R4	11.12	12.38	-3.27

^a ΔG^g , relative free energy in the gas phase; ΔE^g , relative free energy in the gas phase; ΔG^s , relative free energy in the aqueous phase.

Table S2 Relative Energies ^a (in kJ·mol⁻¹) for the Hydrolytic Deamination Reaction of Different 5-caCytN3⁺-SO₃⁻ Isomers (R1, R2 and R4) and HSO₃⁻ group (R1-paths A-B, R2-paths A-B and R4-paths A-B) Both in the Gas and Aqueous Phases

System	MP2//B3LYP method ^b			PCM ^c	
	ΔE^g	ΔG^g	$\Delta G^{g\ddagger}$	ΔG^s	$\Delta G^{s\ddagger}$
R1-path A					
R1+HSO ₃ ⁻ +H ₂ O	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	
R1-A-RC	-283.96	-201.20		-34.90	
R1-A-TS1	-207.86	-112.76		63.03	
R1-A-IM1	-255.63	-160.82		12.81	
R1-A-TS2	-247.38	-150.62		27.29	
R1-A-IM2	-251.74	-156.58		20.32	
R1-A-TS3	-258.13	-163.26		7.31	
R1-A-IM3	-259.31	-165.81		-1.27	
R1-A-TS4	-216.38	-125.17		47.20	
R1-A-P	-295.65	-209.99		-18.75	
R1-A-RC→R1-A-IM1			88.44		97.93
R1-A-IM1→R1-A-IM2			10.2		14.48
R1-A-IM2→R1-A-IM3			-6.68		-13.01
R1-A-IM4→R1-A-P			40.64		48.47
R1-path B					
R1-R+HSO ₃ ⁻ +H ₂ O	0.00	0.00		0.00	
R1-B-RC	-282.97	-200.12		-22.04	
R1-B-TS1	-209.13	-111.44		67.93	
R1-B-IM1	-246.77	-151.12		34.95	
R1-B-IM2	-238.45	-144.80		39.09	
R1-B-TS2	-125.88	-31.06		146.49	
R1-B-P	-295.68	-210.10		140.07	
R1-B-RC→R1-B-IM1			88.68		89.97
R1-B-IM2→R1-B-P			113.74		107.4
R2-path A					
R2+HSO ₃ ⁻ +H ₂ O	0.00	0.00		0.00	
R2-A-RC	-314.35	-226.28		-29.24	
R2-A-TS1	-213.40	-118.80		63.22	
R2-A-IM1	-275.30	-177.05		17.61	
R2-A-TS2	-248.50	-153.40		26.97	
R2-A-IM2	-252.65	-158.59		15.34	
R2-A-TS3	-257.90	-163.51		17.15	
R2-A-IM3	-255.75	-163.01		2.57	
R2-A-TS4	-245.62	-156.93		54.74	
R2-A-P	-295.20	-211.12		-11.46	
R2-A-RC→R2-A-IM1			107.48		92.46
R2-A-IM1→R2-A-IM2			23.65		9.36
R2-A-IM2→R2-A-IM3			-4.92		1.81
R2-A-IM4→R2-A-P			6.08		52.17
R2-path B					
R2+HSO ₃ ⁻ +H ₂ O	0.00	0.00		0.00	

R2-B-RC	-318.65	-227.26		-61.05
R2-B-TS1	-230.32	-131.72		36.18
R2-B-IM1	-259.40	-163.55		6.08
R2-B-TS2	-256.59	-160.75		15.18
R2-B-IM2	-261.78	-165.33		8.97
R2-B-TS3	-256.51	-161.57		9.106
R2-B-IM3	-259.69	-163.43		26.00
R2-B-TS4	-138.42	-41.43		112.70
R2-B-P	-322.82	-234.95		-39.08
R2-B-RC→R2-B-IM1			95.54	97.23
R2-B-IM1→R2-B-IM2			2.80	9.10
R2-B-IM2→R2-B-IM3			3.76	0.14
R2-B-IM3→R2-B-P			122.00	86.70
R4-path A				
R4+HSO ₃ ⁻ +H ₂ O	0.00	0.00		0.00
R4-A-RC	-283.44	-200.95		-11.94
R4-A-TS1	-200.84	-107.84		71.23
R4-A-IM1	-255.23	-161.22		27.33
R4-A-TS2	-256.16	-160.10		--
R4-A-IM2	-254.07	-160.01		3.46
R4-A-TS3	-257.54	-165.67		15.43
R4-A-IM3	-260.20	-168.52		10.84
R4-A-TS4	-221.86	-125.16		
R4-A-P	-342.46	-251.64		-64.80
R4-A-RC→R4-A-IM1			93.11	83.17
R4-A-IM1→R4-A-IM2			1.12	
R4-A-IM2→R4-A-IM3			-5.66	11.97
R4-A-IM4→R4-A-P			43.36	--
R4-path B				
R4+HSO ₃ ⁻ +H ₂ O	0.00	0.00		0.00
R4-B-RC	-282.39	-191.16		-43.58
R4-B-TS1	-212.31	-113.72		38.30
R4-B-IM1	-271.14	-176.31		-2.03
R4-B-TS2	-266.29	-172.17		7.43
R4-B-IM2	-279.15	-185.85		-5.10
R4-B-TS3	-149.58	-53.33		125.54
R4-B-P	-327.05	-239.81		-57.75
R4-B-RC→R4-B-IM1			77.44	81.88
R4-B-IM1→R4-B-IM2			4.14	9.46
R4-B-IM2→R4-B-P			132.52	130.64

^a ΔG^g , relative free energy in the gas phase; ΔE^g , relative free energy in the gas phase; $\Delta G^{g\ddagger}$, activation free energy in the gas phase; ΔG^s , relative free energy in the aqueous phase; $\Delta G^{s\ddagger}$, activation free energy in the aqueous phase.

^b MP2/6-311++G(3df,3pd)//B3LYP/6-311++G(d,p) level. ^c MP2/6-311++G(3df,3pd)//B3LYP/6-311++G(d,p) with PCM model.

Table S3 The Relevant Information^a (in $\text{kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$) of Different 5-O⁺fCytN3⁺-SO₃⁻ Isomers Both in the Gas and Aqueous Phases

Species	$\Delta E^g / (\text{kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1})$	$\Delta G^g / (\text{kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1})$	$\Delta G^s / (\text{kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1})$
R1'	23.59	24.17	25.35
R2'	28.07	29.47	26.94
R3'	0.00	0.00	0.00
R4'	1.40	1.48	-2.63

^a ΔG^g , relative free energy in the gas phase; ΔE^g , relative free energy in the gas phase; ΔG^s , relative free energy in the aqueous phase.

Table S4 Relative Energies ^a (in kJ·mol⁻¹) for the Hydrolytic Deamination Reaction of
 5-O⁺fCytN3⁺-SO₃⁻ Isomer (R4') and HSO₃⁻ group (R4'-paths C-D) Both
 in the Gas and Aqueous Phases

System	MP2//B3LYP method ^b			PCM ^c	
	ΔE^g	ΔG^g	$\Delta G^{g\ddagger}$	ΔG^s	$\Delta G^{s\ddagger}$
R4'-path C					
R4'+HSO ₃ ⁻ +H ₂ O	0.00	0.00		0.00	
R4'-C-RC	-560.15	-474.74		-20.02	
R4'-C-TS1	-497.92	-404.03		58.18	
R4'-C-IM1	-524.96	-434.00		33.38	
R4'-C-TS2	-507.90	-416.62		--	
R4'-C-IM2	-521.04	-432.60		43.73	
R4'-C-TS3	-515.56	-423.31		--	
R4'-C-IM3	-533.62	-443.67		29.93	
R4'-C-TS4	-422.68	-329.58		138.04	
R4'-C-P	-596.72	-510.65		-35.35	
R4'-C-RC→R4'-C-IM1			70.71		78.2
R4'-C-IM1→R4'-C-IM2			17.38		
R4'-C-IM2→R4'-C-IM3			9.29		
R4'-C-IM4→R4'-C-P			114.09		108.11
R4'-path D					
R4'+HSO ₃ ⁻ +H ₂ O	0.00	0.00		0.00	
R4'-D-RC	-567.94	-480.13		-45.59	
R4'-D-TS1	-495.38	-403.56		31.09	
R4'-D-IM1	-546.46	-450.53		11.24	
R4'-D-TS2	-535.56	-439.43		23.06	
R4'-D-IM2	-552.37	-458.33		4.82	
R4'-D-TS3	-414.27	-318.80		120.50	
R4'-D-P	-597.20	-515.89		-54.07	
R4'-D-RC→R4'-D-IM1			76.57		76.68
R4'-D-IM1→R4'-D-IM2			11.10		11.82
R4'-D-IM2→R4'-D- P			139.53		115.68

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Table S5 The Chelg Charge on O5 of Reaction Complexes for Path A and Water-mediated Paths A Both in the Gas and Aqueous Phases

path A	ρ	1w-path A	ρ	2w-Path A	ρ
A-RC	-0.7186	1w-A-RC	-0.6778	2w-A-RC	-0.9432
(A-RC) ^a	-0.8427	(1w-A-RC)	-0.7916	(2w-A-RC)	-0.9460

^a in brackets Chelg charge on O5 of reaction complexes for path A and water-mediated paths A in the aqueous phase.

As for 5-caCytN3⁺-SO₃⁻, two diastereomers are formed: one has 5-H *trans* to 6-SO₃⁻ (*trans* isomer), and another, 5-H *cis* to 6-SO₃⁻ (*cis* isomer). The two diastereomers are respectively divided into two isomers based on the torsion and the angles of the OH group in 5-caCytN3⁺-SO₃⁻, denoted as R1, R2, R3, and R4, respectively.

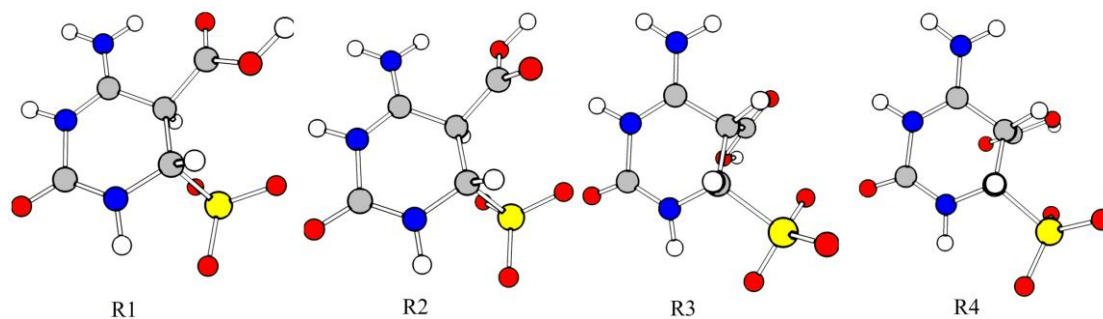


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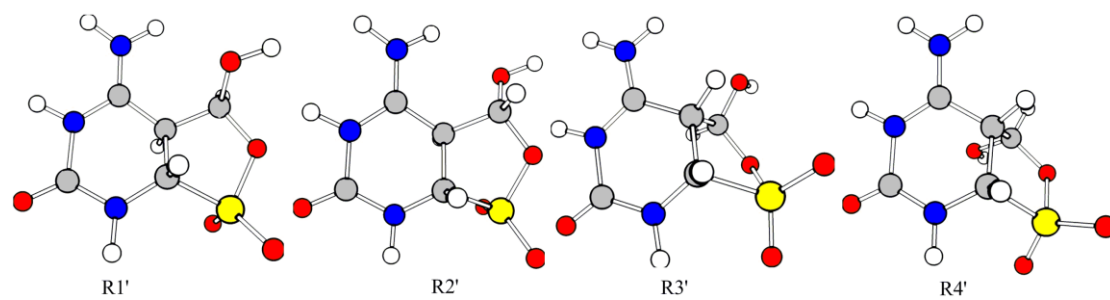


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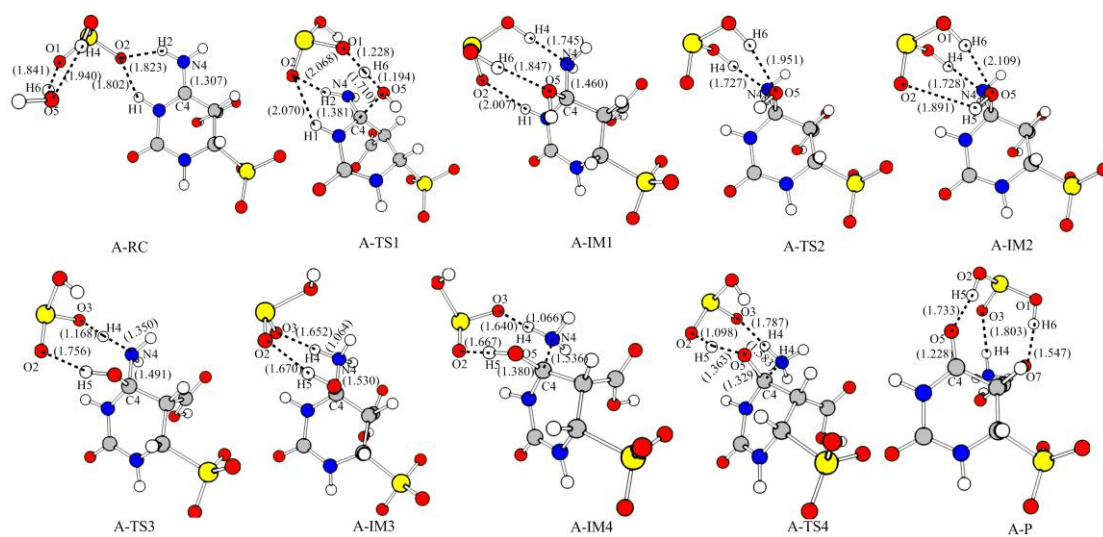


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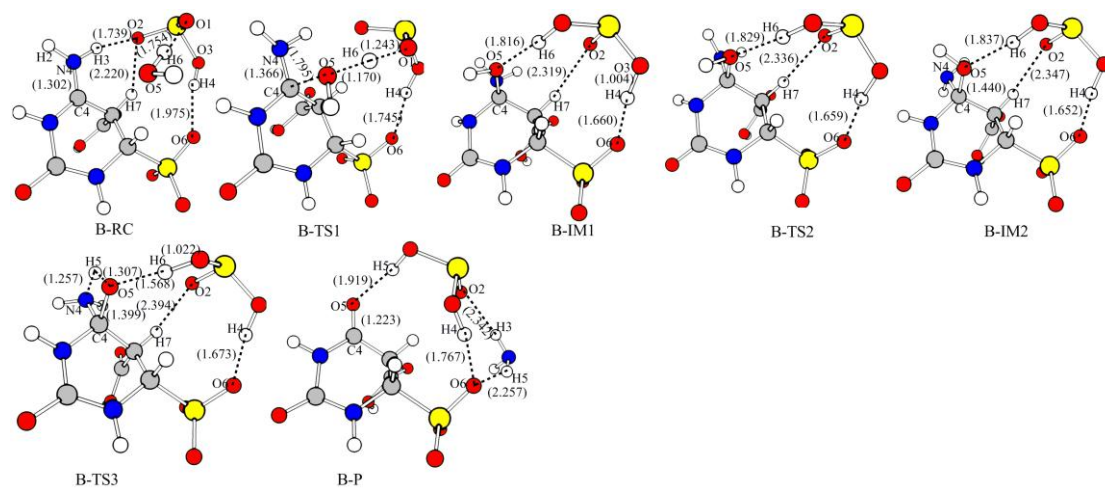


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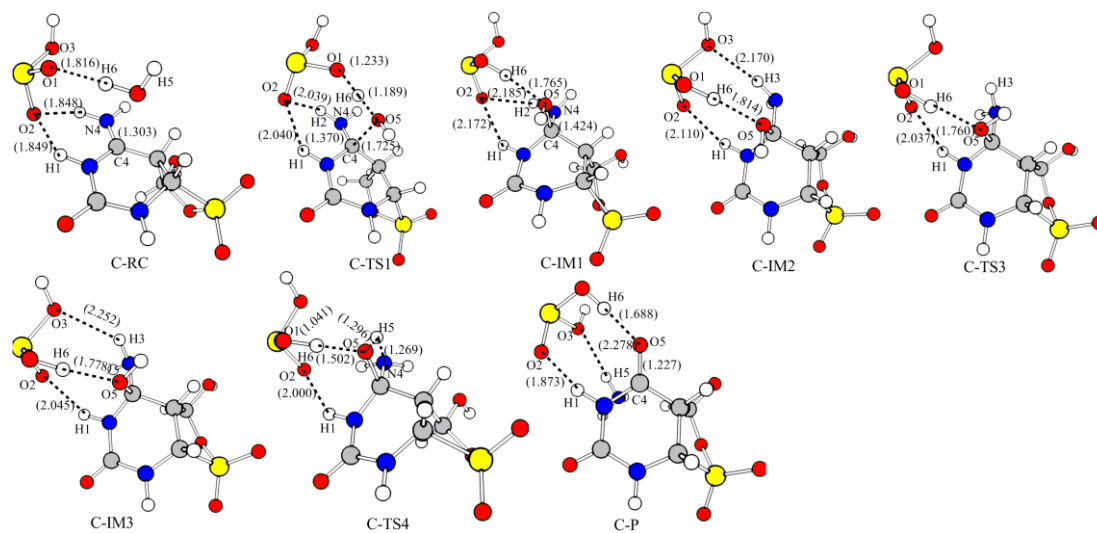


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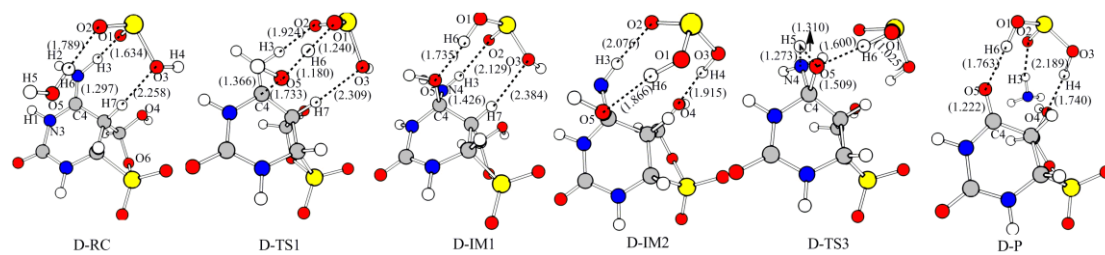


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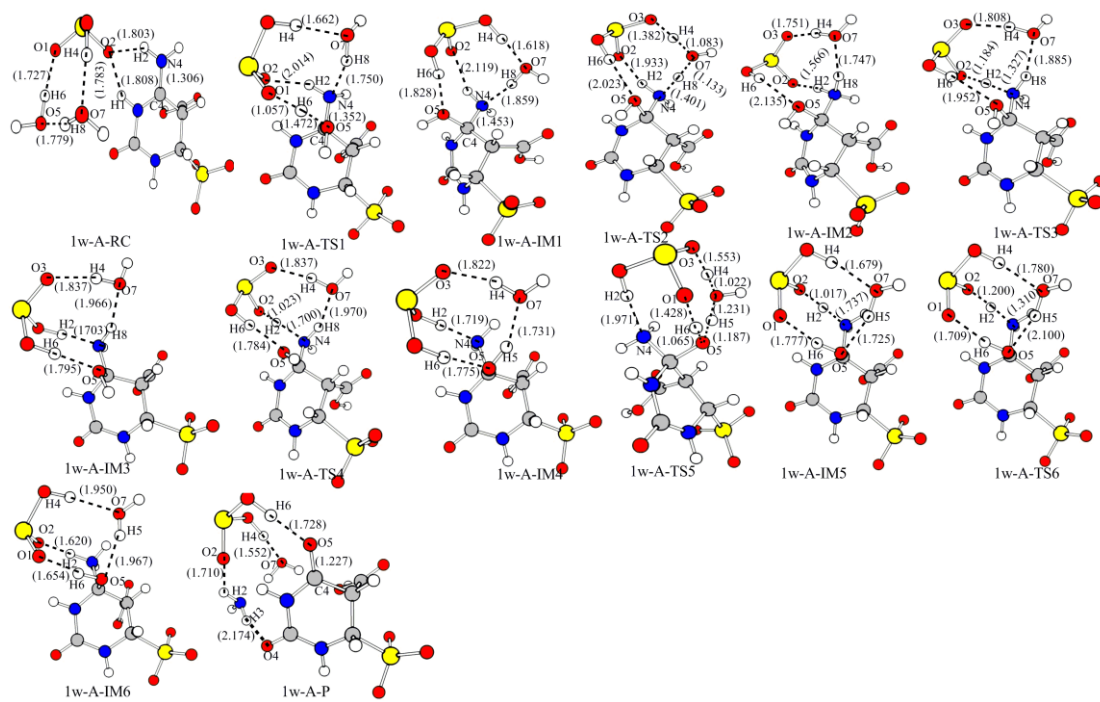


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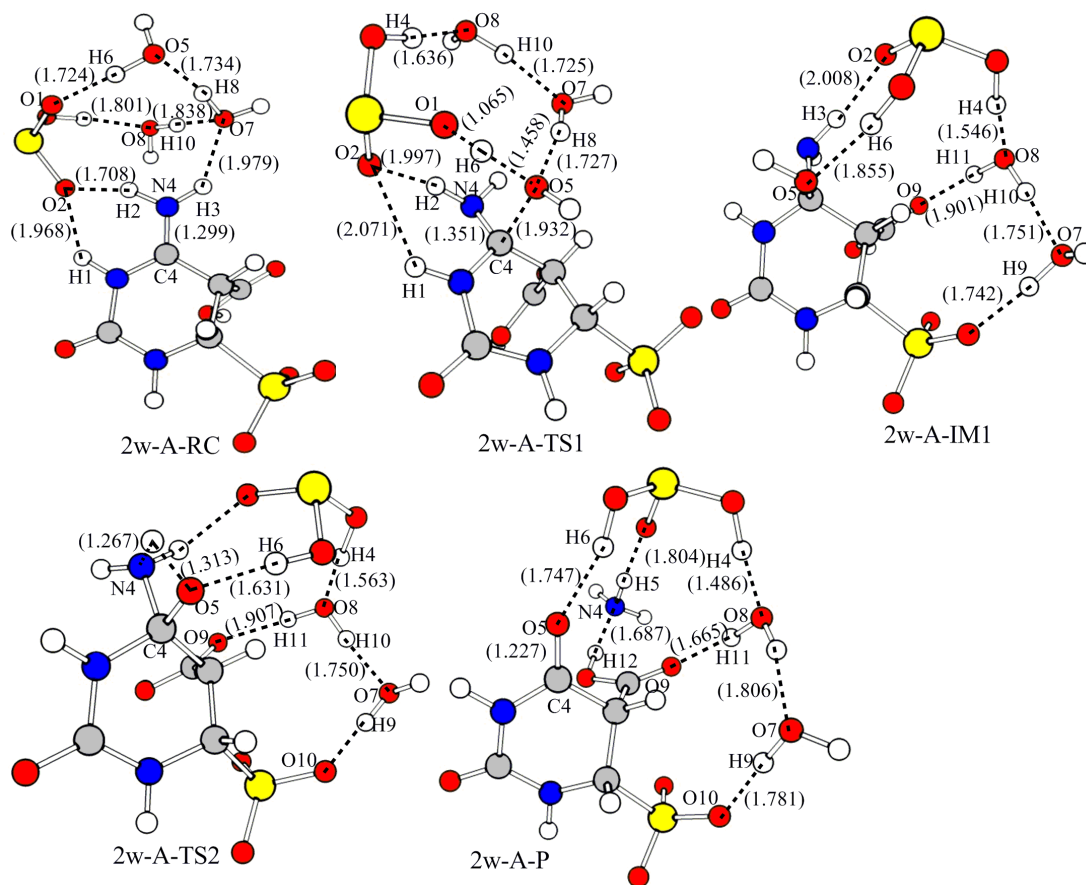


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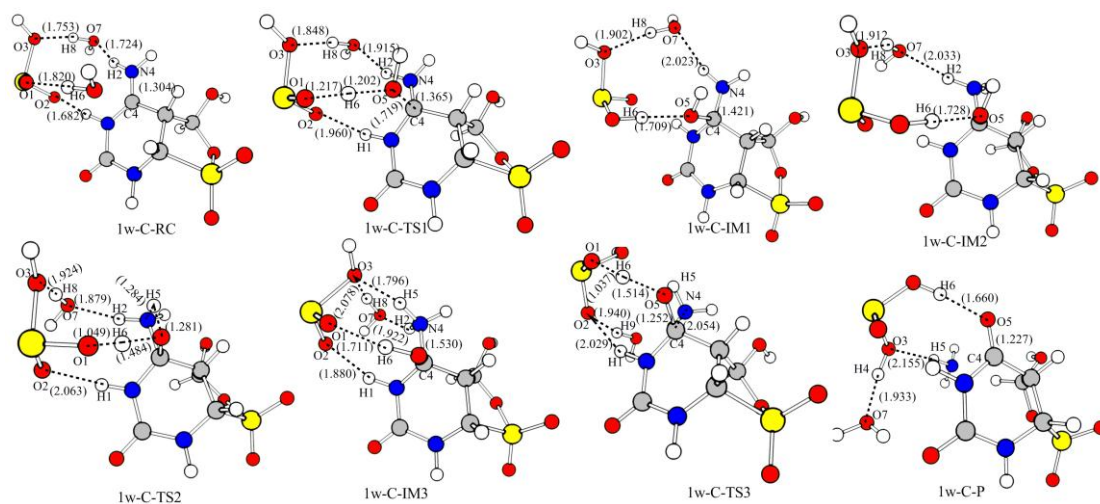


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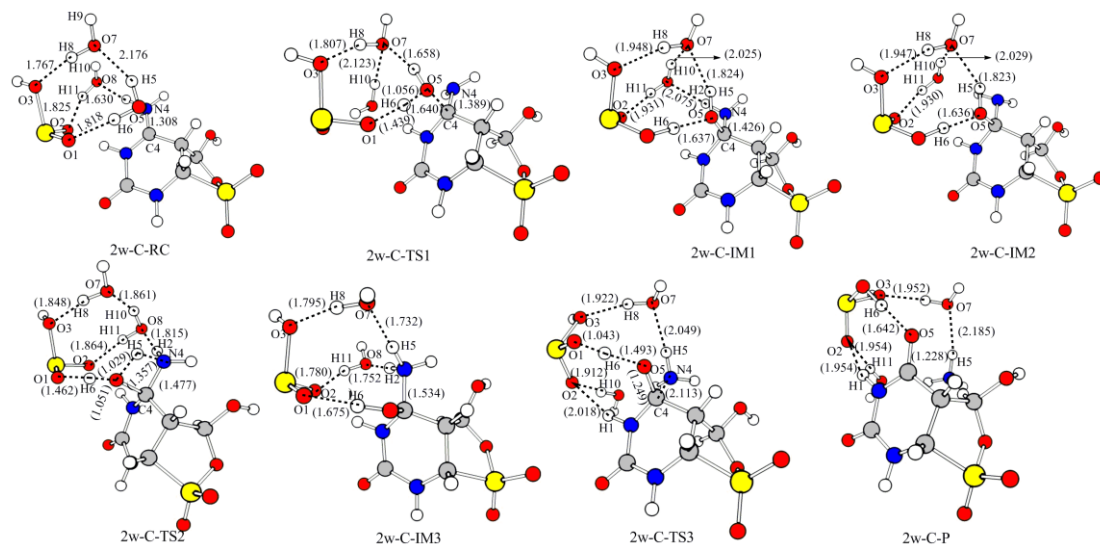


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