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Coverage Dependent Adsorption and Co-adsorption of CO and H₂ on the CdI₂-antitype Metallic Mo₂C(001) Surface

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Table S1. The computed stepwise CO (H_2) adsorption energies without (PBE) and with dispersion corrections (PBE-D2) as well as their differences on the clean CdI₂-antitype (001) surface.

| | PBE(E _{ads} /eV | PBE-D2 | | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|--|--|--|
| n _{co} |) | (E _{ads} +VDW/eV) | ΔE _{ads} /eV | | | |
| 1CO (1H ₂) | -2.08 (-1.61) | -2.33 (-1.79) | -0.25 (-0.18) | | | |
| 2CO (2H ₂) | -2.04 (-1.66) | -2.30 (-1.83) | -0.26 (-0.17) | | | |
| 3CO (3H ₂) | -2.02 (-1.51) | -2.30 (-1.69) | -0.28 (-0.18) | | | |
| 4CO (4H ₂) | -2.00 (-1.48) | -2.27 (-1.65) | -0.28 (-0.17) | | | |
| 5CO (5H ₂) | -2.04 (-1.40) | -2.37 (-1.59) | -0.33 (-0.19) | | | |
| 6CO (6H ₂) | -2.02 (-1.38) | -2.37 (-1.56) | -0.35 (-0.18) | | | |
| 7CO (7H ₂) | -1.89 (-1.33) | -2.26 (-1.53) | -0.37 (-0.20) | | | |
| 8CO (8H ₂) | -1.86 (-1.29) | -2.27 (-1.48) | -0.41 (-0.19) | | | |
| 9CO (9H ₂) | -1.99 (-0.12) | -2.38 (-0.33) | -0.39 (-0.21) | | | |
| 10CO | -1 02 (-0 22) | -2 22 (-0 42) | -0 /1 (-0 21) | | | |
| (10H ₂) | -1.92 (-0.22) | -2.33 (-0.43) | -0.41 (-0.21) | | | |
| 11CO | -1 85 (-0 25) | -2 27 (-0 47) | -0 42 (-0 22) | | | |
| (11H ₂) | 1.03 (0.23) | 2.27 (0.47) | 0.42 (0.22) | | | |
| 12CO | -1.84 (-0.34) | -2.28 (-0.56) | -0.44 (-0.22) | | | |
| (12H ₂) | 2.0 . (0.0 .) | (0.00) | 0(0) | | | |
| 13CO | -1.60 (-0.19) | -2.04 (-0.40) | -0.45 (-0.21) | | | |
| (13H ₂) | | - () | (-) | | | |
| 14CO | -1.68 (-0.25) | -2.16 (-0.46) | -0.49 (-0.21) | | | |
| (14H ₂) | | ζ, γ | | | | |
| 15CO | -1.61 (-0.44) | -2.12 (-0.64) | -0.51 (-0.20) | | | |
| (15H ₂) | | | | | | |
| 16CO | -1.54 (-0.46) | -2.08 (-0.67) | -0.54 (-0.21) | | | |
| (16H ₂) | | | | | | |

Table S2: CO adsorption energies (E_{ads} , eV), C-O distances (d_{C-O} , Å) and distances of CO to surface Mo atoms (d_{MO-C} , Å), CO stretching frequency (v, cm⁻¹) on the Cdl₂-antitype Mo₂C(001) surface (**t** for top sites, **b** for bridge sites and **h** for hollow sites)

| sit e | E ads | d 0 | d _{Mo-C} | v _{c-0} |
|----------------|--------------|------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| t ₁ | -2.08 | 1.17 | 2.03 | 1942 |
| b_1 | -1.56 | 1.24 | 1.98, 2.22 | 1730 |
| h1 | -1.69 | 1.27 | 1.98, 2.25, 2.29 | 1685 |
| h ₂ | -1.35 | 1.28 | 1.97, 2.33, 2.35 | 1674 |

Table S3: Vibration frequencies (cm⁻¹) of molecularly adsorbed CO at different coverage on the Mo termination of CdI_2 – antitype – $Mo_2C(001)$ surface.

| 1CO | 1942 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 2CO | 1944 | 1937 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3CO | 1949 | 1940 | 1938 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4CO | 1954 | 1941 | 1941 | 1940 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5CO | 1980 | 1947 | 1945 | 1942 | 1932 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6CO | 1986 | 1969 | 1945 | 1945 | 1933 | 1932 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7CO | 2002 | 1971 | 1957 | 1956 | 1940 | 1929 | 1924 | | | | | | | | | |
| 8CO | 2007 | 1985 | 1955 | 1954 | 1954 | 1953 | 1923 | 1920 | | | | | | | | |
| 9CO | 2019 | 1987 | 1971 | 1958 | 1956 | 1955 | 1943 | 1926 | 1922 | | | | | | | |
| 10CO | 2029 | 1987 | 1976 | 1970 | 1968 | 1954 | 1944 | 1941 | 1931 | 1923 | | | | | | |
| 11CO | 2040 | 1992 | 1983 | 1980 | 1973 | 1964 | 1949 | 1944 | 1943 | 1932 | 1924 | | | | | |
| 12CO | 2048 | 2000 | 1991 | 1984 | 1982 | 1974 | 1962 | 1953 | 1948 | 1941 | 1932 | 1924 | | | | |
| 13CO | 2058 | 2000 | 1998 | 1996 | 1994 | 1978 | 1976 | 1955 | 1951 | 1946 | 1945 | 1941 | 1939 | | | |
| 14CO | 2064 | 2003 | 2002 | 2000 | 1999 | 1991 | 1984 | 1959 | 1958 | 1955 | 1951 | 1949 | 1948 | 1940 | | |
| 15CO | 2072 | 2007 | 2005 | 2005 | 2003 | 2002 | 1989 | 1960 | 1960 | 1959 | 1958 | 1957 | 1951 | 1950 | 1945 | |
| 16CO | 2074 | 2007 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2005 | 2005 | 1959 | 1959 | 1959 | 1958 | 1958 | 1958 | 1957 | 1957 | 1957 |

Fig. S1: Stable adsorption structures of one CO on the Mo termination of CdI_2 -antitype $Mo_2C(001)$ surface (Above for side view, below for top view, blue balls for Mo atoms, red balls for O atoms, gray balls for surface C atoms while black balls for C in CO)

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Fig. S2: Dissociative adsorption structures of hydrogen on the clean Cdl₂-antitype Mo₂C(001) surface.



Fig. S3: Dissociative adsorption structures of hydrogen on the 1CO pre-covered CdI₂-antitype Mo₂C(001) surface.



Fig. S4: Dissociative adsorption structures of hydrogen on the 2CO pre-covered CdI₂-antitype Mo₂C(001) surface.



Fig. 5: Dissociative adsorption structures of hydrogen on the 3CO pre-covered CdI₂-antitype Mo₂C(001) surface.



Fig. 6: Dissociative adsorption structures of hydrogen on the 4CO pre-covered CdI₂-antitype Mo₂C(001) surface.



Fig. 7: Dissociative adsorption structures of hydrogen on the 5CO pre-covered CdI₂-antitype Mo₂C(001) surface.



Fig. 8: Dissociative adsorption structures of hydrogen on the 6CO pre-covered CdI₂-antitype Mo₂C(001) surface.



Fig. 9: Dissociative adsorption structures of hydrogen on the 7CO pre-covered CdI₂-antitype Mo₂C(001) surface.



Fig. 10: Dissociative adsorption structures of hydrogen on the 8CO pre-covered CdI₂-antitype Mo₂C(001) surface.



Fig. 11: Dissociative adsorption structures of hydrogen on the 9CO pre-covered CdI₂-antitype Mo₂C(001) surface.



Fig. 12: Dissociative adsorption structures of hydrogen on the 10CO pre-covered CdI₂-antitype Mo₂C(001) surface.



Fig. 13: Dissociative adsorption structures of hydrogen on the 11CO pre-covered CdI₂-antitype Mo₂C(001) surface.



Fig. 14: Dissociative adsorption structures of hydrogen on the 12CO pre-covered CdI₂-antitype Mo₂C(001) surface.



Fig. 15: Dissociative adsorption structures of hydrogen on the 13CO pre-covered CdI₂-antitype Mo₂C(001) surface.



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Fig. 17: Dissociative adsorption structures of hydrogen on the 15CO pre-covered CdI₂-antitype Mo₂C(001) surface.



Fig. S18: Schematic structures of the Mo termination of CdI_2 -antitype-Mo₂C(001) surface (a), Eclipse-Mo₂C(001) surface (b) and Orthorhombic-Mo₂C(100) surface(c) as well as possible adsorption sites (Blue balls for Mo atoms, gray balls for first layer C atoms and black balls for C atoms in other layers, t for top, b for bridge and h for hollow)



(c) Orthorhombic-Mo₂C(100)

