

The decisive role of 4f-covalency in structural direction and oxidation state of XPrO compounds (X: groups 13 to 17 elements)

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Table S1. Spin multiplicity, electronic configuration, state calculated relative energies (kcal mol⁻¹) and geometries (bond lengths in Å, bond angles in degrees) of the BPrO and BOPr molecule and oxidation state of Pr at the B3LYP levels of theory.

Structure	BOPr	BOPr	BPrO	BOPr
2S+1	5	3	5	7
State	⁵ A''	³ Δ	⁵ A''	⁷ Σ
ΔE (B3LYP)	0.00	3.18	44.20	77.60
ΔE(CCSD(T))	0.00	3.55		
ΔE(DLPNO-CCSD(T))	0.00	23.88	62.87	109.78
Electronic configuration	f ² 5d ¹ 6s ¹ σ _{2s} ²	f _δ ¹ f _δ ¹ σ ²	f _δ ¹ f _δ ¹ σ ¹ π _{//} ¹ π _⊥ ⁰	s ¹ d _π ¹ d _π ¹ f _π ¹ f _π ¹ σ ¹ π _{//} ⁰ π _⊥ ⁰
OS	I	III	III	0
Symm.	C _s	C _{∞v}	C _s	C _{∞v}
E(B3LYP)	-563.18	-560.00	-518.98	-485.58
SOC	-14.61	-16.13	-13.97	-15.74
ΔE (B3LYP+SOC)	0.00	1.66	44.84	76.47
rPr-O	2.194	2.136	1.831	2.265
rB-Pr			2.497	
rB-O	1.278	1.290		1.259
∠B-Pr-O			113.9	
∠B-O-Pr	164.2	180.0		180.0
vPr-O	403.5	417.7	811.5	270.0
vB-Pr			313.9	
v(cm ⁻¹)B-O	1510.5	1455.3		1469.9

Table S2. Spin multiplicity, electronic configuration, state calculated relative energies (kcal mol⁻¹) and geometries (bond lengths in Å, bond angles in degrees) of the AlPrO and AlOPr molecule and oxidation state of Pr at the B3LYP levels of theory.

Structure	AlOPr			AlPrO	AlOPr
	3	5	3	5	7
2S+1	3	5	3	5	7
State	³ Σ	⁵ Φ	³ Σ	⁵ A'	⁷ Γ
ΔE(B3LYP)	0.00	16.04	30.33	30.78	76.84
ΔE(DLPNO-CCSD(T))	0.00	22.48	0.10	34.38	93.36
Electronic configuration	s ² f _δ ¹ f _δ ¹ σ ² π _{//} ⁰ π _⊥ ⁰	s ¹ d _π ¹ f _π ¹ f _π ¹ σ ² π _{//} ⁰ π _⊥ ⁰	s ² f _φ ¹ f _φ ¹ σ ² π _{//} ⁰ π _⊥ ⁰	f _φ ¹ f _φ ¹ σ ¹ π _{//} ¹ π _⊥ ⁰	s ¹ d _δ ¹ f _δ ¹ f _δ ¹ σ ¹ π _{//} ¹ π _⊥ ⁰
OS	I	I	I	III	I
Symm.	C _{∞v}	C _{∞v}	C _{∞v}	C _s	C _{∞v}
E(B3LYP)	-522.66	-506.62	-492.33	-491.88	-445.82
SOC	-8.23	-8.26	-8.23	-14.20	-8.27
ΔE (B3LYP+SOC)	0.00	16.01	30.33	24.81	76.80
rPr-O	2.104	2.163	2.107	1.839	2.173
rAl-Pr				3.099	
rAl-O	1.747	1.739	1.750		1.719
∠Al-Pr-O				96.1	
∠Al-O-Pr	180.0	180.0	180.0		180.0

$\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})\text{Pr-O}$				803.5	
$\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})\text{Al-Pr}$				178.6	
$\nu_3(\text{cm}^{-1})$	853.6	848.5	848.8		883.5
$\nu_1(\text{cm}^{-1})$	338.6	315.8	337.3		313.8

Table S3. Spin multiplicity, electronic configuration, state calculated relative energies (kcal mol^{-1}) and geometries (bond lengths in Å, bond angles in degrees) of the CPrO molecule and oxidation state of Pr at the B3LYP levels of theory.

2S+1	4	4	6
State	$^4\Gamma$	$^4\Phi$	$^6A'$
$\Delta E(\text{B3LYP})$	0.00	5.21	6.03
$\Delta E(\text{CCSD(T)})$	14.00		0.00
$\Delta E(\text{DMRG-CASPT2})$	16.60		0.00
$\Delta E(\text{DLPNO-CCSD(T)})$	7.16	7.28	0.00
Electronic configuration	$f_\phi^1\sigma^1\pi_{//}^2\pi_\perp^1$	$f_\delta^1\sigma^1\pi_{//}^2\pi_\perp^1$	$f_\delta^1f_\delta^1\sigma^1\pi_{//}^1\pi_\perp^1$
OS	IV	IV	III
Symm.	C_{2v}	C_{2v}	C_s
E(B3LYP)	-558.57	-553.36	-552.54
SOC	-15.89	-15.98	-16.98
$\Delta E(\text{B3LYP+SOC})$	0.00	5.12	4.94
rPr-O	1.819	1.808	1.823
rC-Pr	2.008	1.994	2.441
$\angle\text{C-Pr-O}$	180.0	180.0	123.8
$\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})\text{Pr-O}$	781.6	799.3	820.9
$\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})\text{C-Pr}$	589.8	603.3	415.6

Table S4. Spin multiplicity, electronic configuration, state calculated relative energies (kcal mol^{-1}) and geometries (bond lengths in Å, bond angles in degrees) of the SiPrO and SiOPr molecule and oxidation state of Pr at the B3LYP levels of theory.

Structure	SiOPr		SiPrO		SiOPr
2S+1	4	6	6	4	8
State	$^4A''$	$^6A'$	$^6A'$	$^4A''$	$^8\Delta$
$\Delta E(\text{B3LYP})$	0.00	5.65	16.15	26.40	95.92
$\Delta E(\text{DLPNO-CCSD(T)})$	0.00	8.17	12.68	34.58	108.69
Electronic configuration	$f_\phi^1f_\pi^1\pi_{\text{Si}}^1$	$s^1f_\delta^1f_\delta^1d^1\sigma^1$	$f_\phi^1f_\phi^1\sigma^1\pi_{//}^1\pi_\perp^1$	$f_\phi^1\sigma^1\pi_{//}^2\pi_\perp^1$	$s^1f_\pi^1f_\pi^1d^1\sigma^1\pi_{//}^1\pi_\perp^1$
OS	II	I	III	IV	I
Symm.	C_s	C_s	C_s	C_s	C_{2v}
E(B3LYP)	-548.13	-542.48	-531.98	-521.73	-452.21
SOC	-14.41	-14.36	-13.89	-13.73	-16.27
$\Delta E(\text{B3LYP+SOC})$	0.00	5.70	16.67	27.08	94.06
rPr-O	2.030	2.090	1.840	1.829	2.127
rSi-Pr	2.842	2.876	2.972	2.610	

rSi-O	1.736	1.703			1.668
\angle Si-Pr-O			169.0	120.9	
\angle Si-O-Pr	97.7	98.1			180.0
$\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$ Pr-O			810.5	797.9	
$\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$ Si-Pr			218.6	313.8	
$\nu_3(\text{cm}^{-1})$	484.0	418.7			881.5
$\nu_1(\text{cm}^{-1})$	667.7	721.5			315.4

Table S5. Spin multiplicity, electronic configuration, oxidation state of Pr, symmetry, Calculated relative energies (kcal mol⁻¹) and geometries (bond lengths in Å, bond angles in degrees) of the neutral NPrO molecule at the B3LYP levels of theory. And the comparison between the observed and calculated vibrational frequencies (cm⁻¹) of NPrO.

2S+1	1	3	5	Expl. ^{ref1}	B3LYP ^{ref1}
State	¹ Σ	³ Δ	⁵ A''		
$\Delta E(\text{B3LYP})$	0.00	12.89	48.78		
$\Delta E(\text{DLPNO-CCSD(T)})$	0.00	20.50	52.35		
Electronic configuration	$f^0\sigma^2\pi_x^2\pi_y^2$	$f_d^1\sigma^1\pi_x^2\pi_y^2$	$f_d^1f_d^1\sigma^1\pi_x^2\pi_y^1$		$f^0\sigma^2\pi_x^2\pi_y^2$
OS	V	IV	III	V	V
Symm.	$C_{\infty v}$	$C_{\infty v}$	C_s		
E(B3LYP)	-671.36	-658.47	-622.58		
SOC	-12.53	-12.44	-13.68		
$\Delta E(\text{B3LYP}+\text{SOC})$	0.00	12.98	47.63		
rPr-O	1.798	1.829	1.853		1.765
rN-Pr	1.708	1.808	2.219		1.677
\angle N-Pr-O	180.0	180.0	116.4		180.0
$\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$ Pr-O	818.7	731.6	795.4	762.2/755.9 ^a	822.1
$\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$ N-Pr	1016.8	821.0	446.1	926.2/918.5 ^a	1021.1

^aTwo site absorptions.

Table S6. Spin multiplicity, electronic configuration, state calculated relative energies (kcal mol⁻¹) and geometries (bond lengths in Å, bond angles in degrees) of the PPrO molecule and oxidation state of Pr at the B3LYP levels of theory.

2S+1	3	5	1
State	³ Δ	⁵ A''	¹ A'
$\Delta E(\text{B3LYP})$	0.00	7.37	15.84
$\Delta E(\text{CCSD(T)})$	0.00	12.76	
$\Delta E(\text{DLPNO-CCSD(T)})$	0.00	2.46	16.78
Electronic configuration	$f_d^1\sigma^1\pi_x^2\pi_y^2$	$f_d^1f_d^1\sigma^1\pi_x^2\pi_y^1$	$f^0\sigma^2\pi_x^2\pi_y^2$
OS	IV	III	V
Symm.	$C_{\infty v}$	C_s	C_s
E(B3LYP)	-563.66	-556.29	-547.82
SOC	-16.05	-14.76	-13.65

ΔE (B3LYP+SOC)	0.00	8.66	18.24
rPr-O	1.815	1.841	1.796
rP-Pr	2.383	2.756	2.297
\angle P-Pr-O	180.0	119.9	161.0
$\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$ Pr-O	816.7	812.5	851.8
$\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$ P-Pr	386.3	290.2	448.5

Table S7. Spin multiplicity, electronic configuration, state calculated relative energies (kcal mol⁻¹) and geometries (bond lengths in Å, bond angles in degrees) of the AsPrO molecule and oxidation state of Pr at the B3LYP levels of theory.

2S+1	3	5	5
State	³ Φ	⁵ A'	⁵ A'
ΔE (B3LYP)	0.00	0.17	27.04
ΔE (CCSD(T))	35.82	0.00	
ΔE (DLPNO-CCSD(T))	23.56	0.00	8.31
Electronic configuration	$f_{\phi}^1 \sigma^1 \pi_{//}^2 \pi_{\perp}^2$	$f_{\delta}^1 f_{\phi}^1 \sigma^1 \pi_{//}^1 \pi_{\perp}^2$	$d_{\pi}^1 f_{\sigma}^1 \sigma^1 \pi_{//}^1 \pi_{\perp}^2$
OS	IV	III	III
Symm.	$C_{\infty v}$	C_s	C_s
E(B3LYP)	-554.44	-552.74	-527.40
SOC	-17.40	-15.96	-15.79
ΔE (B3LYP+SOC)	0.00	3.14	28.65
rPr-O	1.822	1.841	2.050
rAs-Pr	2.511	3.023	2.909
\angle As-Pr-O	180.0	109.8	39.95
$\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$ Pr-O	804.9	811.0	499.7 (ν_3)
$\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$ As-Pr	261.5	161.1	580.2 (ν_1)

Table S8. Spin multiplicity, electronic configuration, oxidation state of Pr, symmetry, Calculated relative energies (kcal mol⁻¹) and geometries (bond lengths in Å, bond angles in degrees) of the neutral PrO₂ molecule at the B3LYP levels of theory. And the comparison between the observed and calculated vibrational frequencies (cm⁻¹) of PrO₂.

2S+1	2	4	Expl. ^{ref2}	B3LYP ^{ref2}
State	² Δ _u	⁴ A ₂		
ΔE (B3LYP)	0.00	43.22		
ΔE (DLPNO-CCSD(T))	0.00	54.76		
Electronic configuration	$f_{\delta}^1 \sigma^2 \pi_{//}^2 \pi_{\perp}^2$	$f_{\delta}^1 f_{\phi}^1 \sigma^1 \pi_{//}^2 \pi_{\perp}^2$		$f^1 \sigma^2 \pi_{//}^2 \pi_{\perp}^2$
OS	IV	III	IV	IV
Symm.	D_{2h}	C_{2v}		
E(B3LYP)	-659.75	-616.53		
SOC	-16.48	-16.27		
ΔE (B3LYP+SOC)	0.00	43.43		

rPr-O	1.812	1.938		1.810
rO-Pr	1.812	1.938		1.810
∠O-Pr-O	180.0	140.2		180.0
v3(cm ⁻¹)	812.1	229.0	694.2	783.2
v1(cm ⁻¹)	759.6	635.5	730.3	730.8

Table S9. Spin multiplicity, electronic configuration, oxidation state of Pr, symmetry, Calculated relative energies (kcal mol⁻¹) and geometries (bond lengths in Å, bond angles in degrees) of the neutral [PrO₂]⁺ molecule at the B3LYP levels of theory. And the comparison between the observed and calculated vibrational frequencies (cm⁻¹) of [PrO₂]⁺.

2S+1	1	3	5	Expl.ref ²	B3LYP ^{ref2}
State	¹ Σ _u	³ Δ _u	⁵ A ₂		
ΔE(B3LYP)	0.00	22.37	96.90		
ΔE(DLPNO-CCSD(T))	0.00	36.14	93.35		
Electronic configuration	f ⁰ σ ² π _g ² π _u ²	f _g ¹ σ ¹ π _g ² π _u ²	f _g ¹ f _g ¹ σ ¹ π _g ² π _u ² σ ¹ π _g ² π _u ²		f ⁰ σ ² π _g ² π _u ²
OS	V	IV	III	V	V
Symm.	D _{2h}	D _{2h}	C _{2v}		D _{∞h}
E(B3LYP)	-523.14	-500.77	-426.24		
SOC	-12.50	-12.29	-12.31		
ΔE (B3LYP+SOC)	0.00	22.58	97.09		
rPr-O	1.671	1.781	1.980		1.688
rO-Pr	1.671	1.781	1.980		1.688
∠O-Pr-O	180.0	180.0	125.1		180.0
v3(cm ⁻¹)	1128.6	739.7	453.0		1020.9
v1(cm ⁻¹)	991.4	755.0	643.4		882.0

Table S10. Spin multiplicity, electronic configuration, state calculated relative energies (kcal mol⁻¹) and geometries (bond lengths in Å, bond angles in degrees) of the SPrO molecule and oxidation state of Pr at the B3LYP levels of theory.

2S+1	2	4
State	² A'	⁴ Σ
ΔE(B3LYP)	0.00	40.28
ΔE(DLPNO-CCSD(T))	0.00	19.94
Electronic configuration	f _g ¹ σ ² π _g ² π _u ²	f _g ¹ f _g ¹ σ ¹ π _g ² π _u ²
OS	IV	III
Symm.	C _s	C _{∞v}
E(B3LYP)	-603.34	-563.06
SOC	-16.31	-16.04
ΔE (B3LYP+SOC)	0.00	40.55
rPr-O	1.817	1.856
rS-Pr	2.412	2.573

\angle S-Pr-O	134.1	180.0
$\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$ Pr-O	799.3	712.4
$\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$ S-Pr	603.3	245.8

Table S11. Spin multiplicity, electronic configuration, state calculated relative energies (kcal mol^{-1}) and geometries (bond lengths in Å, bond angles in degrees) of the $[\text{SPrO}]^+$ molecule and oxidation state of Pr at the B3LYP levels of theory.

2S+1	3	3	1
State	$^3\Phi$	$^3\Delta$	$^1\Sigma$
$\Delta E(\text{B3LYP})$	0.00	1.61	1.74
$\Delta E(\text{CCSD(T)})$	0.00	6.38	
$\Delta E(\text{DLPNO-CCSD(T)})$	9.20	8.54	0.00
Electronic configuration	$f_{\phi}^1\sigma^1\pi_{//}^2\pi_{\perp}^2$	$f_{\delta}^1\sigma^1\pi_{//}^2\pi_{\perp}^2$	$f^0\sigma^2\pi_{//}^2\pi_{\perp}^2$
OS	IV	IV	V
Symm.	$C_{\sigma v}$	$C_{\sigma v}$	$C_{\sigma v}$
E(B3LYP)	-415.16	-413.55	-413.42
SOC	-12.33	-12.31	-12.27
$\Delta E(\text{B3LYP}+\text{SOC})$	0.00	1.63	1.80
rPr-O	1.765	1.757	1.731
rS-Pr	2.383	2.368	2.259
\angle S-Pr-O	180.0	180.0	180.0
$\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$ Pr-O	876.4	893.3	941.4
$\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$ S-Pr	356.5	364.4	478.9

Table S12. Spin multiplicity, electronic configuration, oxidation state of Pr, symmetry, Calculated relative energies (kcal mol^{-1}) and geometries (bond lengths in Å, bond angles in degrees) of the neutral FPrO molecule at the B3LYP levels of theory. And the comparison between the observed and calculated vibrational frequencies (cm^{-1}) of FPrO.

2S+1	3	3	3	5	Expl.ref ³	B3LYP ^{ref3}
State	$^3A''$	$^3A''$	$^3A'$	$^5A''$		
$\Delta E(\text{B3LYP})$	0.00	0.22	0.83	66.49		
$\Delta E(\text{DLPNO-CCSD(T)})$	0.00	0.39	3.00	64.65		
Electronic configuration	$f_{\delta}^1f_{\delta}^1\sigma^2\pi_{//}^2\pi_{\perp}^2$	$f_{\phi}^1f_{\phi}^1\sigma^2\pi_{//}^2\pi_{\perp}^2$	$f_{\delta}^1f_{\phi}^1\sigma^2\pi_{//}^2\pi_{\perp}^2$	$s^1f_{\delta}^1f_{\delta}^1\sigma^2\pi_{//}^2\pi_{\perp}^1$		$f^2\sigma^2\pi_{//}^2\pi_{\perp}^2$
OS	III	III	III	II	III	III
Symm.	C_s	C_s	C_s	C_s		
E(B3LYP)	-648.25	-648.03	-647.42	-581.76		
E(B3LYP)	-648.25	-648.03	-647.42	-581.76		
SOC	-13.95	-13.95	-13.95	-16.13		
$\Delta E(\text{B3LYP}+\text{SOC})$	0.00	0.22	0.83	64.31		
rPr-O	1.855	1.855	1.855	2.163		1.836
rF-Pr	2.133	2.134	2.134	2.059		2.122

\angle F-Pr-O	114.2	114.6	114.7	114.4		114.1
$\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$ Pr-O	798.1	794.2	777.3	501.5	767.5	794.0
$\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$ F-Pr	474.9	478.2	461.7	545.8	451.2	502.0

Table S13. Spin multiplicity, electronic configuration, state calculated relative energies (kcal mol^{-1}) and geometries (bond lengths in Å, bond angles in degrees) of the F_3PrO molecule and oxidation state of Pr at the B3LYP levels of theory.

2S+1	1	3	5
State	$^1\text{A}'$	$^3\text{A}''$	$^5\text{A}'$
$\Delta\text{E}(\text{B3LYP})$	0.00	14.53	61.61
$\Delta\text{E}(\text{DLPNO-CCSD(T)})$	0.00	10.56	83.80
Electronic configuration	$f^0\sigma^2\pi_{//}^2\pi_{\perp}^2$	$f_{\pi}^1\sigma^2\pi_{//}^2\pi_{\perp}^1$	$f_{\delta}^1f_{\delta}^1\sigma^2\pi_{//}^1\pi_{\perp}^1$
OS	V	IV	III
Symm.	C_s	C_s	C_s
E(B3LYP)	-957.88	-943.35	-896.27
SOC	-12.45	-14.15	-15.83
$\Delta\text{E}(\text{B3LYP}+\text{SOC})$	0.00	12.83	58.23
rPr-O	1.794	2.142	2.869
rF-Pr	2.048	2.051	2.113
\angle F-Pr-O	113.0, 116.7	107.2, 113.7	88.7, 116.3
$\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$ Pr-O	813.4	446.4	153.8
$\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$ F-Pr	564.2	551.7	503.7

Table S14. Spin multiplicity, electronic configuration, state calculated relative energies (kcal mol^{-1}) and geometries (bond lengths in Å, bond angles in degrees) of the ClPrO molecule and oxidation state of Pr at the B3LYP levels of theory.

2S+1	3	3	3	5
State	$^3\text{A}''$	$^3\text{A}''$	$^3\text{A}'$	$^5\text{A}''$
$\Delta\text{E}(\text{B3LYP})$	0.00	0.17	1.12	72.84
$\Delta\text{E}(\text{DLPNO-CCSD(T)})$	0.00	2.66	0.03	72.99
Electronic configuration	$f_{\delta}^1f_{\delta}^1\sigma^2\pi_{//}^2\pi_{\perp}^2$	$f_{\phi}^1f_{\phi}^1\sigma^2\pi_{//}^2\pi_{\perp}^2$	$f_{\delta}^1f_{\phi}^1\sigma^2\pi_{//}^2\pi_{\perp}^2$	$s^1f_{\phi}^1f_{\phi}^1\sigma^1\pi_{//}^2\pi_{\perp}^2$
OS	III	III	III	II
Symm.	C_s	C_s	C_s	C_s
E(B3LYP)	-590.19	-590.02	-589.07	-517.35
SOC	-16.97	-16.98	-16.14	-14.06
$\Delta\text{E}(\text{B3LYP}+\text{SOC})$	0.00	0.16	1.95	75.75
rPr-O	1.841	1.842	1.842	2.025
rCl-Pr	2.654	2.652	2.654	2.582
\angle Cl-Pr-O	118.9	117.3	117.8	157.9
$\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$ Pr-O	811.4	816.1	806.3	502.1
$\nu(\text{cm}^{-1})$ Cl-Pr	293.4	296.3	282.6	299.4

Table S15. Spin multiplicity, electronic configuration, state calculated relative energies (kcal mol⁻¹) and geometries (bond lengths in Å, bond angles in degrees) of the Cl₃PrO molecule and oxidation state of Pr at the B3LYP levels of theory.

2S+1	1	3
State	¹ A'	³ A''
ΔE(B3LYP)	0.00	18.90
ΔE(DLPNO-CCSD(T))	0.00	15.79
Electronic configuration	f ⁰ σ ² π _z ² π _⊥ ²	f _π ¹ σ ² π _z ² π _⊥ ¹
OS	V	IV
Symm.	C _s	C _s
E(B3LYP)	-771.59	-752.69
SOC	-12.68	-13.32
ΔE (B3LYP+SOC)	0.00	18.26
rPr-O	1.773	2.094
rCl-Pr	2.518	2.515
∠Cl-Pr-O	111.7,117.6	106.8,113.1
ν(cm ⁻¹)Pr-O	848.8	525.4
ν(cm ⁻¹)Cl-Pr	331.8	340.7

Table S16. The Natural Localized Molecular Orbital Analysis of the Bonds in XPrO (X: C, Si, N, P, As, O, S, F and Cl) Complexes

Species	Pr-O/X	NLMO	ΘA-ΘB
CPrO	Pr-O	76.50% O(sp ^{8.00}) +23.48%Pr(s ^{0.02} d ^{1.37} f)	53.02
		85.68% O(sp ^{1.00}) +14.29%Pr(s ^{0.05} d ^{3.42} f)	71.39
		85.89% O(sp ^{99.99}) +14.04%Pr(s ^{0.03} d ^{2.42} f)	71.85
	Pr-C	88.64% C(sp ^{1.00}) +11.30%Pr(s ^{0.43} d ^{11.44} f)	77.34
		84.48% C(sp ^{6.64}) +15.47%Pr(s ^{0.85} d ^{2.86} f)	69.01
NPrO	Pr-O	85.29% O(sp ^{1.00}) +14.70%Pr(s ^{0.02} d ^{0.94} f)	70.59
		85.29% O(sp ^{1.00}) +14.70%Pr(s ^{0.02} d ^{0.94} f)	70.59
		65.39% O(sp ^{7.17}) +32.67%Pr(s ^{0.03} d ^{0.42} f)	32.72
	Pr-N	70.96% N(sp ^{1.00}) +29.04%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{0.89} f)	41.92
		70.96% N(sp ^{1.00}) +29.04%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{0.89} f)	41.92
		35.19% N(sp ^{8.58}) +62.28%Pr(s ^{0.03} d ^{0.26} f)	27.09
OPrO	Pr-O	87.52% O(sp ^{1.00}) +12.46%Pr(s ^{0.04} d ^{1.40} f)	75.06
		87.52% O(sp ^{1.00}) +12.46%Pr(s ^{0.04} d ^{1.40} f)	75.06
		69.94% O(sp ^{7.88}) +29.38%Pr(s ^{0.03} d ^{0.35} f)	40.56
	Pr-O	87.52% O(sp ^{1.00}) +12.46%Pr(s ^{0.04} d ^{1.40} f)	75.06
		87.52% O(sp ^{1.00}) +12.46%Pr(s ^{0.04} d ^{1.40} f)	75.06
		69.94% O(sp ^{7.88}) +29.38%Pr(s ^{0.03} d ^{0.35} f)	40.56
[OPrO] ⁺	Pr-O	81.46% O(sp ^{1.00}) +18.51%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{1.00} f)	62.95

		81.46% O(sp ^{1.00}) + 18.51%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{1.00} f)	62.95
		56.64% O(sp ^{6.46}) + 41.37%Pr(s ^{0.02} d ^{0.31} f)	15.27
	Pr-O	81.46% O(sp ^{1.00}) + 18.51%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{1.00} f)	62.95
		81.46% O(sp ^{1.00}) + 18.51%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{1.00} f)	62.95
		56.64% O(sp ^{6.46}) + 41.37%Pr(s ^{0.02} d ^{0.31} f)	15.27
FPrO	Pr-O	80.27% O(sp ^{6.56}) + 19.72%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{1.37} f)	60.55
		87.36% O(sp ^{1.00}) + 12.64%Pr(s ^{0.09} d ^{4.62} f)	74.72
		86.64% O(sp ^{99.99}) + 13.34%Pr(s ^{0.03} d ^{2.59} f)	73.30
	Pr-F	94.23% F(sp ^{4.40}) + 5.73%Pr(s ^{0.41} d ^{3.69} f)	88.50
F ₃ PrO	Pr-O	62.75% O(sp ^{11.33}) + 37.23%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{1.00} f)	25.52
		80.64% O(sp ^{1.00}) + 19.30%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{0.69} f)	61.34
		80.23% O(sp ^{99.99}) + 19.72%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{0.63} f)	60.51
	Pr-F(F ₃)	89.14% F(sp ^{4.54}) + 10.80%Pr(s ^{0.11} d ^{0.95} f)	78.34
		89.14% F(sp ^{4.54}) + 10.80%Pr(s ^{0.11} d ^{0.95} f)	78.34
		89.04% F(sp ^{4.61}) + 10.95%Pr(s ^{0.09} d ^{0.90} f)	78.09
		93.17% F(sp ^{99.99}) + 6.68%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{0.01} f)	86.49
PPrO	Pr-O	87.59% O(sp ^{1.00}) + 12.27%Pr(s ^{0.02} d ^{1.87} f)	75.32
		75.27% O(sp ^{6.90}) + 18.68%Pr(s ^{0.12} d ^{2.95} f)	56.59
		98.26% O(sp ^{0.09}) + 1.50%Pr(s ^{20.00} d ^{16.40} f)	96.76
	Pr-P	80.51% P(sp ^{1.00}) + 19.42%Pr(s ^{0.07} d ^{2.27} f)	61.09
		34.21% P(sp ^{27.66}) + 62.30%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{0.01} f)	28.09
		98.12% P(sp ^{0.03}) + 1.75%Pr(s ^{9.09} d ^{7.45} f)	96.37
SPrO	Pr-O	81.46% O(sp ^{7.89}) + 18.48%Pr(s ^{0.03} d ^{1.32} f)	62.98
		86.76% O(sp ^{1.00}) + 13.18%Pr(s ^{0.03} d ^{2.45} f)	73.58
		84.84% O(sp ^{27.17}) + 15.09%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{1.00} f)	69.75
	Pr-S	89.58% S(sp ^{99.99}) + 10.36%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{30.01} f)	79.22
		87.97% S(sp ^{1.00}) + 11.97%Pr(s ^{0.07} d ^{3.79} f)	76.00
		83.90% S(sp ^{4.80}) + 16.04%Pr(s ^{0.36} d ^{2.40} f)	67.86
[SPrO] ⁺	Pr-O	82.70% O(sp ^{1.00}) + 17.26%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{1.00} f)	65.44
		82.70% O(sp ^{1.00}) + 17.26%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{1.00} f)	65.44
		59.48% O(sp ^{8.75}) + 37.61%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{0.34} f)	21.87
	Pr-S	78.03% S(sp ^{1.00}) + 21.97%Pr(s ^{0.03} d ^{0.97} f)	56.06
		78.03% S(sp ^{1.00}) + 21.97%Pr(s ^{0.03} d ^{0.97} f)	56.06
		47.14% S(sp ^{22.16}) + 49.95%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{1.00} f)	2.81
ClPrO	Pr-O	87.37% O(sp ^{1.00}) + 12.63%Pr(s ^{0.07} d ^{3.94} f)	74.74
		79.56% O(sp ^{1.00}) + 20.42%Pr(s ^{0.02} d ^{1.89} f)	59.14
		87.80% O(sp ^{99.99}) + 12.14%Pr(s ^{0.02} d ^{1.78} f)	75.66
	Pr-Cl	92.48% Cl(sp ^{5.70}) + 7.46%Pr(s ^{1.41} d ^{5.65} f)	85.02
Cl ₃ PrO	Pr-O	66.27% O(sp ^{9.00}) + 33.69%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{1.00} f)	32.58

		79.50% O(sp ^{99.99}) + 20.43%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{0.01} f)	59.07
		79.92% O(sp ^{1.00}) + 20.01%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{1.00} f)	59.91
	Pr-Cl(Cl ₃)	86.25% Cl(sp ^{10.37}) + 13.55%Pr(s ^{0.18} d ^{1.08} f)	72.70
		90.50% Cl(sp ^{99.99}) + 9.29%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{1.00} f)	81.21
		88.51% Cl(sp ^{12.00}) + 11.31%Pr(s ^{0.17} d ^{1.40} f)	77.20
		84.73% Cl(sp ^{8.21}) + 15.15%Pr(s ^{0.17} d ^{1.05} f)	69.58
		90.85% Cl(sp ^{1.00}) + 8.86%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{0.01} f)	81.99
		89.48% Cl(sp ^{16.17}) + 10.30%Pr(s ^{0.13} d ^{1.28} f)	79.18
AsPrO	Pr-O	85.32% O(sp ^{1.00}) + 14.67%Pr(s ^{0.04} d ^{3.38} f)	75.32
		84.20% O(sp ^{45.43}) + 15.78%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{1.20} f)	68.42
		78.80% O(sp ^{9.82}) + 21.17%Pr(s ^{0.01} d ^{0.01} f)	57.63
	Pr-As	96.05% As(sp ^{99.99}) + 3.83%Pr(s ^{0.09} d ^{2.69} f)	92.22
		94.94% As(sp ^{1.00}) + 5.01%Pr(s ^{3.23} d ^{82.42} f)	89.93
		81.86% As(sp ^{18.50}) + 18.07%Pr(s ^{11.11} d ^{9.22} f)	63.79

Table S17. The Natural Localized Molecular Orbital Analysis of the Bonds in XOPr (X: B, Al and Si) Complexes


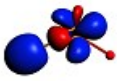
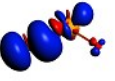
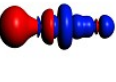
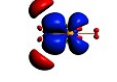
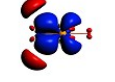
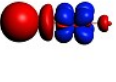

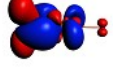
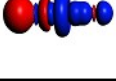
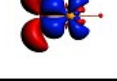
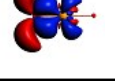
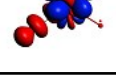
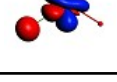
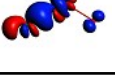
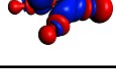
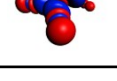
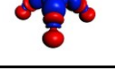
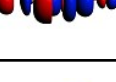
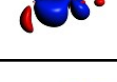
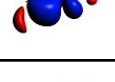
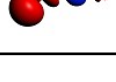
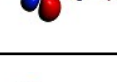
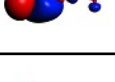
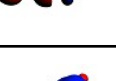
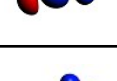
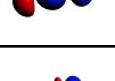



Species	Pr-O/X	NLMO	ΘA-ΘB
BOPr	B-O	85.84% O(sp ^{0.81}) + 14.01%B(sp ^{14.89})	71.83
		89.87% O(sp ^{1.00}) + 8.43%B(sp ^{1.00})	81.44
		89.86% O(sp ^{99.99}) + 8.34%B(sp ^{99.99})	81.52
	Pr-O	96.79% O(sp ^{1.23}) + 3.01%Pr(s ^{0.41} d ^{6.27} f)	93.78
AlOPr	Al-O	93.69% O(sp ^{1.00}) + 3.42%Al(sp ^{1.00})	90.27
		96.22% O(sp ^{0.01}) + 1.89%Al(sd ^{11.63})	94.33
	Pr-O	93.21% O(sp ^{99.99}) + 3.48%Pr(s ^{0.22} d ^{4.43} f)	89.73
SiOPr	Si-O	86.45% O(sp ^{3.56}) + 12.37%Si(sp ^{9.93})	74.08
		88.08% O(sp ^{1.00}) + 7.75%Si(sp ^{1.00})	80.33
	Pr-O	90.69% O(sp ^{8.32}) + 8.83%Pr(s ^{0.06} d ^{4.41} f)	81.86
	Pr-Si	60.23% Si(sp ^{21.98}) + 39.67%Pr(s ^{50.00} d ^{19.00} f)	20.56

Table S18. Correlation of Pr oxidation state and the σ-component (%Pr) of NLMO in X-Pr as well as the corresponding contribution ratio of 4f:5d.

σ-bond	4f:5d	OS(Pr)	%Pr
C-Pr	0.3497	III	27.91
N-Pr	3.8462	V	62.28
O-Pr	2.8571	IV	29.38
O-Pr ([OPrO] ⁺)	3.2258	V	41.37
F-Pr	0.2710	III	5.73
F-Pr ([F ₃ PrO])	1.0526	V	10.95

P-Pr	0.4405	IV	19.42
S-Pr	0.4167	IV	16.04
S-Pr ([SPrO] ⁺)	1.0000	V	49.95
Cl-Pr	0.1770	III	7.46
Cl-Pr ([Cl ₃ PrO])	1.1013	V	13.69
As-Pr	0.1085	III	18.07

Table S19. Energy decomposition analysis of ground state XPrO at the B3LYP/TZ2P level. Energy values are given in kcal/mol.

Species	EDA				ETS-NOCV						
	ΔE_{int}	ΔE_{Pauli}	ΔE_{elstat}	ΔE_{orb}	ΔE_1^{orb}	ΔE_2^{orb}	ΔE_3^{orb}	Contours			
								Orb1	Orb2	Orb3	
CPrO	-300.09	151.58	-215.11	-236.56	-49.1	-55.0	-71.6				
NPrO	- 1513.50	922.33	- 1562.53	-873.30	- 178.7	- 112.0	- 112.0				
OPrO	-771.33	603.66	-936.85	-438.14	-85.0	-93.9	-41.3				
[OPrO] ⁺	- 1123.09	871.16	- 1321.40	-672.85	- 154.9	-77.5	-77.5				
FPrO	-268.27	149.49	-258.25	-159.51	-41.9	-36.7	-18.1				
F ₃ PrO	- 1434.10	369.05	- 1375.85	-427.30	-41.3	-40.7	-27.2				
PPrO	-615.72	330.84	-602.54	-344.01	-86.4	-68.8	-68.8				
SPrO	-653.38	286.41	-640.13	-299.66	-93.5	-64.1	-36.3				
[SPrO] ⁺	-996.73	404.75	-903.61	-497.87	- 108.2	-63.6	-63.6				
ClPrO	-222.02	92.57	-191.31	-123.28	-39.6	-37.9	-14.8				

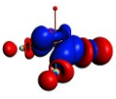

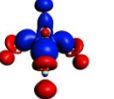
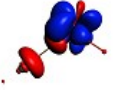
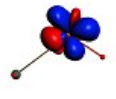

Cl ₃ PrO	- 1259.39	264.70	- 1061.79	-462.31	-45.8	-44.2	-29.6			
AsPrO	-252.80	78.38	-159.27	-171.91	-47.9	-49.9	-50.4			

Table S20. Calculated charge and spin populations on X, Pr and O atoms of the XPrO molecule at the B3LYP levels of theory.

Species	Atom	Charge				Spin		
		Mulliken	Hirshfeld	NPA	MDC_q	Mulliken	NPA	MDC_q
BOPr	B	0.244	-0.094	0.416	0.150	-0.015	0.024	-0.169
	O	-0.666	-0.376	-1.257	-0.886	-0.074	-0.001	0.129
	Pr	0.422	0.470	0.841	0.736	4.089	3.977	4.039
CPrO	C	-0.567	-0.346	-0.610	-0.647	2.707	2.638	2.635
	O	-0.719	-0.557	-1.000	-1.073	-0.039	-0.041	-0.038
	Pr	1.286	0.903	1.611	1.720	2.332	2.403	2.403
NPrO	N	-0.578	-0.594	-0.726	-0.929	0.000	0.000	0.000
	O	-0.693	-0.515	-0.782	-0.718	0.000	0.000	0.000
	Pr	1.271	1.109	1.508	1.648	0.000	0.000	0.000
OPrO	O	-0.771	-0.547	-0.861	-0.820	-0.073	-0.061	-0.076
	Pr	1.542	1.095	1.722	1.641	1.145	1.123	1.152
[OPrO] ⁺	O(+)	-0.465	-0.312	-0.500	-0.457	0.000	0.000	0.000
	Pr	1.929	1.625	2.001	1.914	0.000	0.000	0.000
FPrO	F	-0.611	-0.42	-0.725	-0.809	-0.015	-0.012	0.019
	O	-0.690	-0.577	-1.037	-1.118	-0.073	-0.054	-0.03
	Pr	1.301	0.997	1.762	1.927	2.088	2.065	2.011
F ₃ PrO	F(F ₃)	-0.490	-0.305	-0.513	-0.408	0.000	0.000	0.000
	O	-0.566	-0.341	-0.472	-0.328	0.000	0.000	0.000
	Pr	2.036	1.257	2.012	1.551	0.000	0.000	0.000
AlOPr	Al	0.521	0.266	0.768	0.061	0.004	-0.006	-0.001
	O	-0.711	-0.536	-1.515	-0.165	-0.021	-0.031	-0.029
	Pr	0.190	0.270	0.747	0.104	2.017	2.036	2.03
SiOPr	Si	0.209	0.047	0.411	0.410	0.016	-0.042	-0.030
	O	-0.637	-0.434	-1.218	-1.105	-0.074	-0.027	0.079
	Pr	0.429	0.388	0.807	0.695	3.058	3.069	2.951
PPrO	P	-0.672	-0.452	-0.595	-0.530	0.412	0.198	0.565
	O	-0.699	-0.518	-0.878	-0.497	-0.090	-0.134	0.009
	Pr	1.370	0.970	1.474	1.026	1.678	1.936	1.426
SPrO	S	-0.687	-0.505	-0.718	-0.748	-0.180	-0.512	-0.173
	O	-0.592	-0.501	-0.863	-1.005	-0.078	-0.191	-0.091

	Pr	1.278	1.006	1.581	1.753	1.258	1.703	1.263
[SPrO] ⁺	S(+)	-0.253	-0.123	-0.178	-0.152	0.000	0.000	0.000
	O	-0.495	-0.331	-0.605	-0.326	0.000	0.000	0.000
	Pr	1.748	1.454	1.783	1.478	0.000	0.000	0.000
ClPrO	Cl	-0.642	-0.398	-0.727	-0.633	-0.008	-0.008	-0.007
	O	-0.658	-0.558	-1.012	-1.103	-0.056	-0.084	-0.057
	Pr	1.300	0.957	1.739	1.736	2.064	2.093	2.064
Cl ₃ PrO	Cl(Cl ₃)	-0.422	-0.193	-0.299	-0.496	0.000	0.000	0.000
	O	-0.510	-0.338	-0.489	-0.943	0.000	0.000	0.000
	Pr	1.775	0.919	1.386	2.426	0.000	0.000	0.000
AsPrO	As	-0.460	-0.252	-0.520	-0.383	1.903	1.940	1.934
	O	-0.621	-0.551	-1.010	-1.157	-0.050	-0.052	-0.058
	Pr	1.081	0.803	1.530	1.539	2.150	2.112	2.124

Table S21. Energies and percent compositions of the occupied valence molecular orbitals of BOPr at the B3LYP and M06-HF levels of theory.

MOs	Isosurface	type	Energy	Occ	B3LYP				M06-HF			
					Pr		O	B	Pr		O	B
					5d	4f	2p	2p	5d	4f	2p	2p
1a''		$\pi_{\text{Pr-O}}$	- 10.339	2	3.19%		82.22%	11.72%	2.94%		69.49%	2.50%
2a'		$\pi_{\text{Pr-O}}$	- 10.357	2	2.45%	1.08%	82.28%	11.57%	1.42%		84.81%	7.95%
1a'		$\sigma_{\text{Pr-O}}$	- 13.053	2	5.19%		72.12%	3.09%	1.93%		86.28%	8.08%

Table S22. Energies and percent compositions of the occupied valence molecular orbitals of AlOPr at the M06-HF levels of theory.

MOs	Isosurface	type	Energy	Occ	B3LYP				M06-HF			
					Pr		O	Al	Pr		O	Al
					5d	4f	2p	2p	5d	4f	2p	2p
3 σ		Pr-6s	-3.933	2	7.89%				19.87%			
1 δ'		Pr- 4f ₅	-5.564	1		99.22%				97.46%		
1 δ		Pr- 4f ₅	-5.564	1		99.22%				97.46%		
2 σ		Al-3s	-6.223	2	2.29%		8.70%	14.85%	1.75%		4.71%	13.01%
1 π'		$\pi_{\text{Pr-O}}$	-8.859	2	5.91%	1.32%	84.82%	4.70%	4.35%	3.00%	87.39%	2.38%

1 π		$\pi_{\text{Pr-O}}$	-8.859	2	5.91%	1.32%	84.82%	4.70%	4.35%	3.00%	87.39%	2.38%
1 σ		$\sigma_{\text{Pr-O}}$	- 10.756	2	7.59%	1.77%	70.88%		10.01%	1.60%	67.91%	1.34%

Table S23. Energies and percent compositions of the occupied valence molecular orbitals of CPRo at the B3LYP and M06-HF levels of theory.

MOs	Isosurface	type	Energy	Occ	B3LYP				M06-HF			
					Pr		O	C	Pr		O	C
					5d	4f	2p	2p	5d	4f	2p	2p
3a''		Pr- 4f	-5.138	1	4.36%	81.62%				96.47%		
5a'		Pr- 4f	-5.145	1	3.24%	79.24%				94.18%	3.53%	
4a'		$\pi_{\text{C-Pr}}$	-5.589	1	2.35%	3.45%	5.01%	81.49%	2.61%		7.27%	84.77%
2a''		$\pi_{\text{C-Pr}}$	-5.910	1	6.85%	14.34%		75.24%	9.63%		1.63%	84.88%
3a'		$\sigma_{\text{C-Pr}}$	-6.007	1	5.96%	11.62%		71.68%	5.93%		6.34%	77.04%
2a'		$\sigma_{\text{Pr-O}}$	-7.413	2	7.40%	6.17%	61.54%		18.65%	4.95%	63.36%	3.20%
1a''		$\pi_{\text{Pr-O}}$	-7.809	2	11.03%	5.37%	77.02%		15.97%	1.48%	78.99%	
1a'		$\pi_{\text{Pr-O}}$	-7.853	2	10.44%	4.05%	72.87%		15.00%	1.84%	69.45%	7.54%

Table S24. Energies and percent compositions of the occupied valence molecular orbitals of SiOPr at the B3LYP and M06-HF levels of theory.

MOs	Isosurface	type	Energy	Occ	B3LYP				M06-HF			
					Pr		O	Si	Pr		O	Si
					5d	4f	2p	2p	5d	4f	2p	2p
5a'		$\pi_{\text{Si-Pr}}$	-3.742	1	45.15%	2.36%	4.43%	51.24%	38.81%		1.10%	8.32%
4a'		$\sigma_{\text{Si-Pr}}$	-4.257	2	17.82%		1.625	46.49%	13.83%		1.53%	56.97%
3a'		Pr- 4f	-5.514	1		97.37%				86.14%	4.95%	
2a''		Pr- 4f	-5.620	1		96.47%				98.87%		

2a'		$\sigma_{\text{Si-O}}$	-7.974	2			27.44%	15.38%			24.41%	15.52%
1a'		$\sigma_{\text{Pr-O}}$	-9.283	2	10.22%	1.13%	75.49%	4.38%	9.56%		76.22%	3.34%
1a''		$\pi_{\text{Si-O}}$	-9.508	2	7.86%		79.41%	7.84%	5.47%		81.96%	5.55%

Table S25. Energies and percent compositions of the occupied valence molecular orbitals of NPrO at the B3LYP and M06-HF levels of theory.

MOs	Isosurface	type	Energy	Occ	B3LYP				M06-HF			
					Pr		O	N	Pr		O	N
					5d	4f	2p	2p	5d	4f	2p	2p
2 σ		σ	-5.868	2	3.31%	58.03%	2.51%	24.56%	16.84%	3.02%	35.87%	28.52%
2 π'		π	-6.746	2	9.13%	19.53%	7.27%	62.69%	9.96%	11.93%	12.33%	63.33%
2 π		π	-6.746	2	9.13%	19.53%	7.27%	62.69%	9.96%	11.93%	12.33%	63.33%
1 σ		σ	-8.305	2	11.79%	5.74%	53.28%	16.20%		71.60%	19.99%	3.47%
1 π'		π	-9.112	2	15.22%	2.38%	75.47%	6.06%	17.26%	1.03%	73.36%	7.50%
1 π		π	-9.112	2	15.22%	2.38%	75.47%	6.06%	17.26%	1.03%	73.36%	7.50%

Table S26. Energies and percent compositions of the occupied valence molecular orbitals of PPrO at the B3LYP and M06-HF levels of theory.

MOs	Isosurface	type	Energy	Occ	B3LYP				M06-HF			
					Pr		O	P	Pr		O	P
					5d	4f	2p	2p	5d	4f	2p	2p
2 π'		π	-5.424	2	11.71%	10.82%	2.38%	73.09%	20.79%	14.52%	2.25%	56.15%
2 π		π	-5.424	2	11.71%	10.82%	2.38%	73.09%	20.79%	14.52%	2.25%	56.15%
2 σ		σ	-5.861	1	4.31%	45.37%		47.21%	4.70%	1.05%	4.28%	65.08%
1 δ		Pr-4f δ	-6.520	1		99.92%			1.09%	91.01%	2.06%	
1 σ		σ	-8.624	2	13.59%	9.49%	58.74%	9.20%	21.15%		50.66%	13.70%

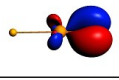
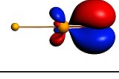
1 π'		π	-9.086	2	14.10 %	4.27%	79.39 %	1.13%	15.40 %	4.93%	77.71 %	
1 π		π	-9.086	2	14.10 %	4.27%	79.39 %	1.13%	15.40 %	4.93%	77.71 %	

Table S27. Energies and percent compositions of the occupied valence molecular orbitals of AsPrO at the B3LYP and M06-HF levels of theory.

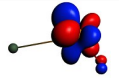
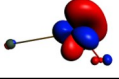
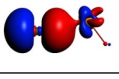
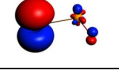
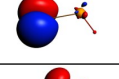
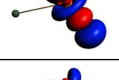
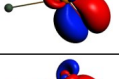

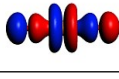
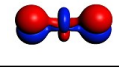
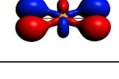
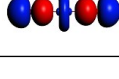
MOs	Isosurface	type	Energy	Occ	B3LYP				M06-HF			
					Pr		O	As	Pr		O	As
					5d	4f	2p	2p	5d	4f	2p	2p
3a''		Pr-4f	-4.722	1	8.17%	87.09%	2.02%	1.46%		94.67%	3.11%	
5a'		Pr-4f	-4.820	1	4.55%	83.24%		5.73%		97.18%	1.23%	
4a'		σ_{As-Pr}	-5.485	2	6.60%	5.90%		76.29%	2.56%		1.22%	81.37%
3a'		π_{As-Pr}	-5.562	1	2.60%	1.06%	3.24%	90.53%	2.36%		2.03%	92.90%
2a''		π_{As-Pr}	-5.732	1	7.71%			90.60%	5.68%			92.39%
2a'		σ_{Pr-O}	-7.597	2	16.50%	5.34%	66.45%		21.64%	4.03%	64.65%	
1a'		π_{Pr-O}	-8.019	2	15.36%	4.42%	76.90%	1.04%	15.93%	1.79%	78.05%	1.10%
1a''		π_{Pr-O}	-8.046	2	13.58%	7.60%	76.64%		16.43%	3.14%	77.86%	

Table S28. Energies and percent compositions of the occupied valence molecular orbitals of PrO₂ at the B3LYP and M06-HF levels of theory.

MOs	Isosurface	type	Energy	Occ	B3LYP				M06-HF			
					Pr		O	O	Pr		O	O
					5d	4f	2p	2p	5d	4f	2p	2p
1 σ_u		σ	-6.288	2		51.30 %	20.30 %	20.30 %	16.65 %		39.50 %	39.50 %
1 π_u'		π	-7.489	2		12.22 %	42.56 %	42.56 %		9.25%	44.19 %	44.19 %
1 π_u		π	-7.489	2		12.22 %	42.56 %	42.56 %		9.25%	44.19 %	44.19 %
1 σ_g		O- p_σ	-8.407	2		15.71 %	39.27 %	39.27 %		68.71 %	14.22 %	14.22 %

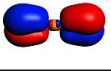
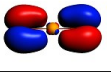
$1\pi_g'$		O- p _π	-8.591	2	17.97 %		40.74 %	40.74 %	16.08 %		41.94 %	41.94 %
$1\pi_g$		O- p _π	- 15.681	2	17.97 %		40.74 %	40.74 %	16.08 %		41.94 %	41.94 %

Table S29. Energies and percent compositions of the occupied valence molecular orbitals of PrO₂⁺ at the B3LYP and M06-HF levels of theory.

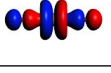
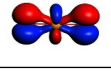
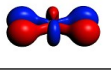
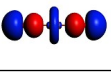
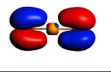
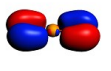
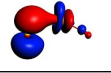
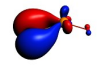

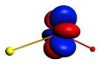
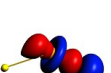
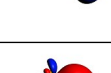
MOs	Isosurface	type	Energy	Occ	B3LYP				M06-HF			
					Pr		O	O	Pr		O	O
					5d	4f	2p	2p	5d	4f	2p	2p
$1\sigma_u$		σ	- 14.388	2		61.90 %	28.40 %			73.42 %	22.11 %	
$1\pi_u'$		π	- 15.927	2		21.14 %	75.20 %			14.23 %	82.55 %	
$1\pi_u$		π	- 15.927	2		21.14 %	75.20 %			14.23 %	82.55 %	
$1\sigma_g$		O- p _σ	- 16.644	2	14.98 %			76.17 %	17.47 %			74.02 %
$1\pi_g'$		O- p _π	- 17.269	2	17.88 %			81.70 %	18.73 %			80.67 %
$1\pi_g$		O- p _π	- 17.269	2	17.88 %			81.70 %	18.73 %			80.67 %

Table S30. Energies and percent compositions of the occupied valence molecular orbitals of SPrO at the B3LYP and M06-HF levels of theory.

MOs	Isosurface	type	Energy	Occ	B3LYP				M06-HF			
					Pr		O	S	Pr		O	S
					5d	4f	2p	2p	5d	4f	2p	2p
$5a'$		π _{Si-Pr}	-6.019	2	5.28%	23.16%	1.36%	68.03%	5.31%	6.40%	3.23%	77.00%
$2a''$		π _{Si-Pr}	-6.200	2	13.13%	6.19%	1.48%	78.39%	16.84%	3.94%	1.60%	72.12%
$4a'$		σ _{Si-Pr}	-6.234	2	13.32%	10.86%	2.53%	67.20%	15.20%		5.85%	70.16%
$3a'$		Pr- 4f	-6.836	1		98.75%				66.55%		
$2a'$		σ _{Pr-O}	-8.687	2	14.68%	7.55%	72.18%	5.44%	14.53%	2.65%	71.49%	4.45%
$1a'$		π _{Pr-O}	-9.083	2	8.77%	5.27%	75.82%	2.49%	16.57%	5.61%	67.64%	1.55%

1a''		$\pi_{\text{Pr-O}}$	-9.108	2	13.77%	5.67%	77.88%		16.01%	5.46%	75.82%	
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Table S31. Energies and percent compositions of the occupied valence molecular orbitals of SPrO⁺ at the B3LYP and M06-HF levels of theory.

MOs	Isosurface	type	Energy	Occ	B3LYP				M06-HF			
					Pr		O	S	Pr		O	S
					5d	4f	2p	2p	5d	4f	2p	2p
2 σ		σ	-12.837	2	4.16%	49.70%		42.75%		76.52%	18.14%	
2 π'		π	-12.889	2	8.09%	13.19%	1.74%	76.24%	7.05%	5.21%	4.18%	80.45%
2 π		π	-12.889	2	8.09%	13.19%	1.74%	76.24%	7.05%	5.21%	4.18%	80.45%
1 σ		σ	-15.484	2	13.73%	10.61%	54.90%	11.66%	22.37%	6.33%	33.00%	28.45%
1 π'		π	-16.077	2	13.34%	6.55%	77.47%	1.73%	15.11%	3.07%	78.14%	2.21%
1 π		π	-16.077	2	13.34%	6.55%	77.47%	1.73%	15.11%	3.07%	78.14%	2.21%

Table S32. Energies and percent compositions of the occupied valence molecular orbitals of FPrO at the B3LYP and M06-HF levels of theory.

MOs	Isosurface	type	Energy	Occ	B3LYP				M06-HF			
					Pr		O	F	Pr		O	F
					5d	4f	2p	2p	5d	4f	2p	2p
3a''		Pr-4f	-4.282	1	13.01%	80.37%	2.35%			77.62%	2.60%	14.93%
5a'		Pr-4f	-4.585	1	2.56%	94.02%			1.93%	65.46%	5.12%	25.07%
4a'		$\sigma_{\text{Pr-O}}$	-6.997	2	10.95%	8.44%	66.91%	4.91%	19.97%	3.21%	67.19%	2.05%
3a'		$\pi_{\text{Pr-O}}$	-7.345	2	9.27%	7.74%	74.61%	4.28%	9.45%	4.40%	76.45%	4.66%
2a''		$\pi_{\text{Pr-O}}$	-7.501	2	14.40%	3.45%	78.61%		15.79%	2.49%	78.94%	
1a''		$\pi_{\text{F-Pr}}$	-9.574	2	3.35%			93.70%	2.07%			95.28%
2a'		$\pi_{\text{F-Pr}}$	-9.578	2	3.93%	1.01%	1.04%	91.30%	2.36%	12.76%		81.49%

1a'		$\sigma_{\text{F-Pr}}$	-9.790	2	6.01%	1.11%	3.31%	83.48%		34.36%	1.22%	58.54%
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Table S33. Energies and percent compositions of the occupied valence molecular orbitals of F₃PrO at the B3LYP and M06-HF levels of theory.

MOs	Isosurface	type	Energy	Occ	B3LYP				M06-HF			
					Pr		O	F	Pr		O	F
					5d	4f	2p	2p	5d	4f	2p	2p
3a'		$\sigma_{\text{Pr-O}}$	-10.092	2	2.34%	14.92%	38.56%	34.04%	1.11%	28.39%	12.44%	53.28%
3a''		$\pi_{\text{Pr-O}}$	-10.497	2	1.12%	8.53%	50.57%	36.60%	1.26%	10.58%	47.74%	37.62%
2a'		$\pi_{\text{Pr-O}}$	-10.516	2		7.83%	50.59%	36.39%		10.34%	45.56%	39.63%
2a''		$\pi_{\text{F-Pr}}$	-11.628	2		8.42%	11.38%	79.58%		3.39%	12.87%	82.55%
1a'		$\pi_{\text{F-Pr}}$	-11.650	2		6.68%	12.14%	78.46%	3.67%	7.80%	9.58%	74.41%
1a''		$\sigma_{\text{F-Pr}}$	-11.693	2		6.08%		93.90%		1.37%		97.21%

Table S34. Energies and percent compositions of the occupied valence molecular orbitals of ClPrO at the B3LYP and M06-HF levels of theory.

MOs	Isosurface	type	Energy	Occ	B3LYP				M06-HF			
					Pr		O	Cl	Pr		O	Cl
					5d	4f	2p	2p	5d	4f	2p	2p
6a'		Pr-4f	-4.798	1	4.87%	93.94%				98.30%		
5a'		Pr-4f	-4.820	1	3.29%	92.80%			3.82%	92.73%		
4a'		$\sigma_{\text{Pr-O}}$	-7.147	2	3.70%	4.09%	39.27%	46.54%	2.48%	4.34%	36.35%	50.84%
2a''		$\pi_{\text{Cl-Pr}}$	-7.590	2	3.17%		11.31%	83.34%	1.92%		5.67%	89.27%
3a'		$\pi_{\text{Pr-O}}$	-7.614	2	5.93%	2.65%	48.13%	38.23%	8.12%	1.76%	36.83%	48.60%
2a'		$\pi_{\text{Cl-Pr}}$	-7.902	2	10.46%		30.08%	49.51%	14.42%		47.15%	33.01%
1a''		$\pi_{\text{Pr-O}}$	-8.084	2	15.31%	4.14%	66.63%	11.77%	16.87%	1.71%	73.37%	5.64%

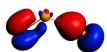






1a'		$\sigma_{\text{Cl-Pr}}$	-8.464	2	13.32%	1.23%	31.69%	50.13%	13.04%	1.32%	27.45%	51.58%
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Table S35. Energies and percent compositions of the occupied valence molecular orbitals of Cl_3PrO at the B3LYP and M06-HF levels of theory.

MOs	Isosurface	type	Energy	Occ	B3LYP				M06-HF			
					Pr		O	Cl	Pr		O	Cl
					5d	4f	2p	2p	5d	4f	2p	2p
3a'		$\sigma_{\text{Pr-O}}$	-9.139	2		3.31%	6.46%	86.99%	5.12%		1.34%	82.69%
3a''		π	-9.230	2			2.13%	96.34%				96.31%
2a'		π	-9.232	2			3.05%	93.35%				95.33%
2a''		$\sigma_{\text{Cl-Pr}}$	-9.268	2		8.70%		91.20%		1.55%		96.97%
1a''		$\pi_{\text{Cl-Pr}}$	-9.575	2	2.76%	9.02%	5.76%	82.57%	5.58%		3.12%	87.65%
1a'		$\pi_{\text{Cl-Pr}}$	-9.599	2	1.91%	8.63%	4.13%	84.16%	1.04%		1.59%	92.57%

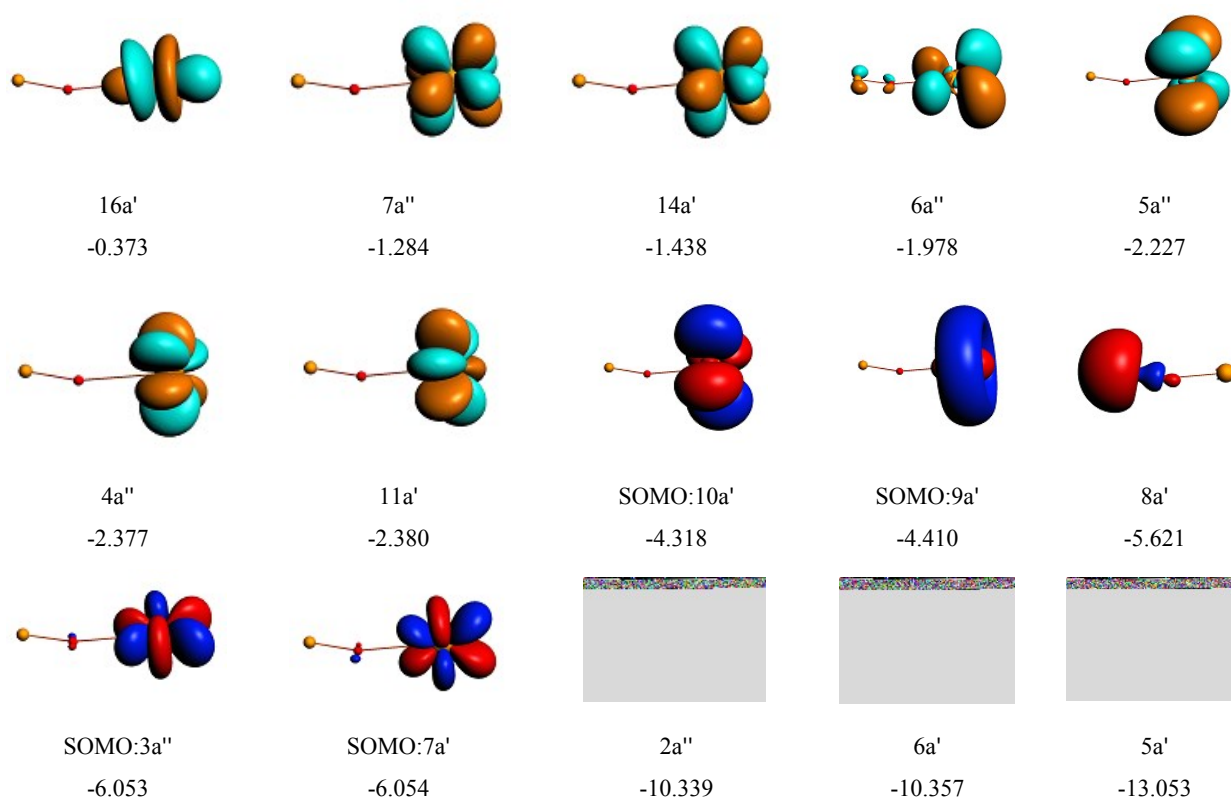


Figure S1. Frontier Kohn–Sham molecule orbitals of the BOPr complex. The value of the contour isovalues is 0.05 a.u. Only the alpha spin orbitals are presented, with the colors of blue and red for the phases of the occupied orbitals in contrast to that of yellow and cyan for the phases of the virtual orbitals.

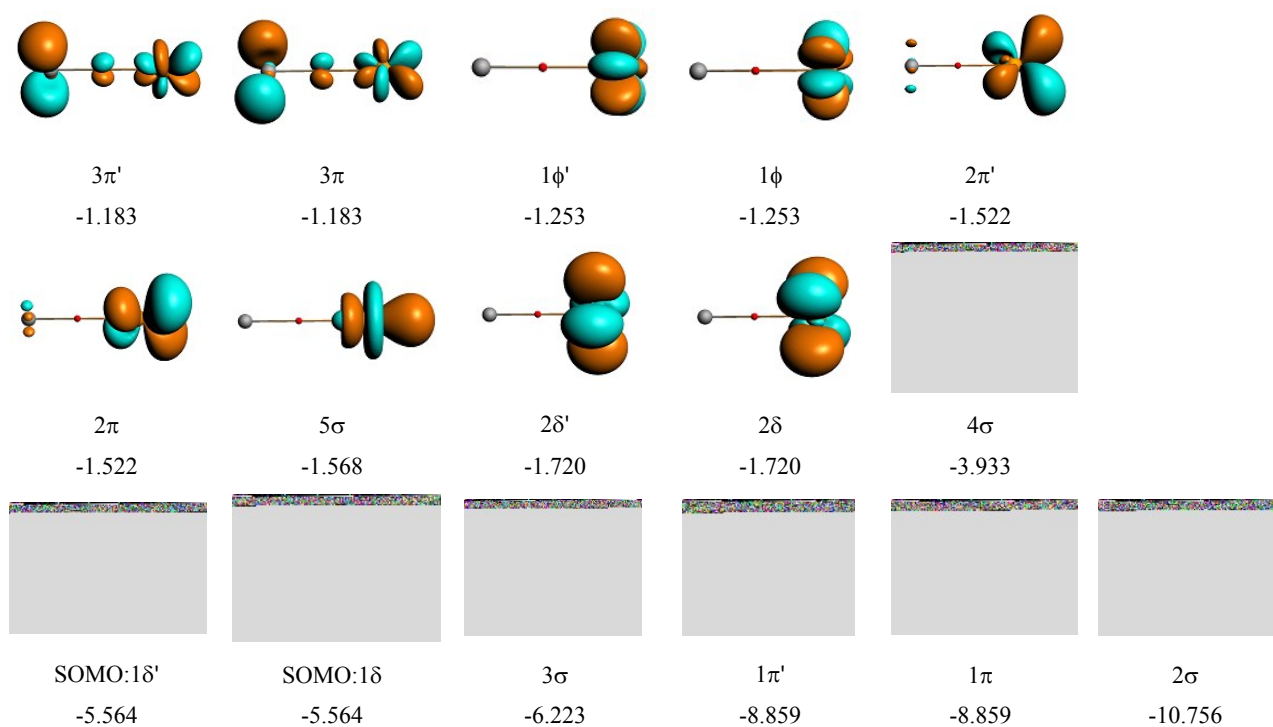


Figure S2. Frontier Kohn–Sham molecule orbitals of the AlOPr complex. The value of the contour isovalues is 0.05 a.u. Only the alpha spin orbitals are presented, with the colors of blue and red for the phases of the occupied orbitals in contrast to that of yellow and cyan for the phases of the virtual orbitals.

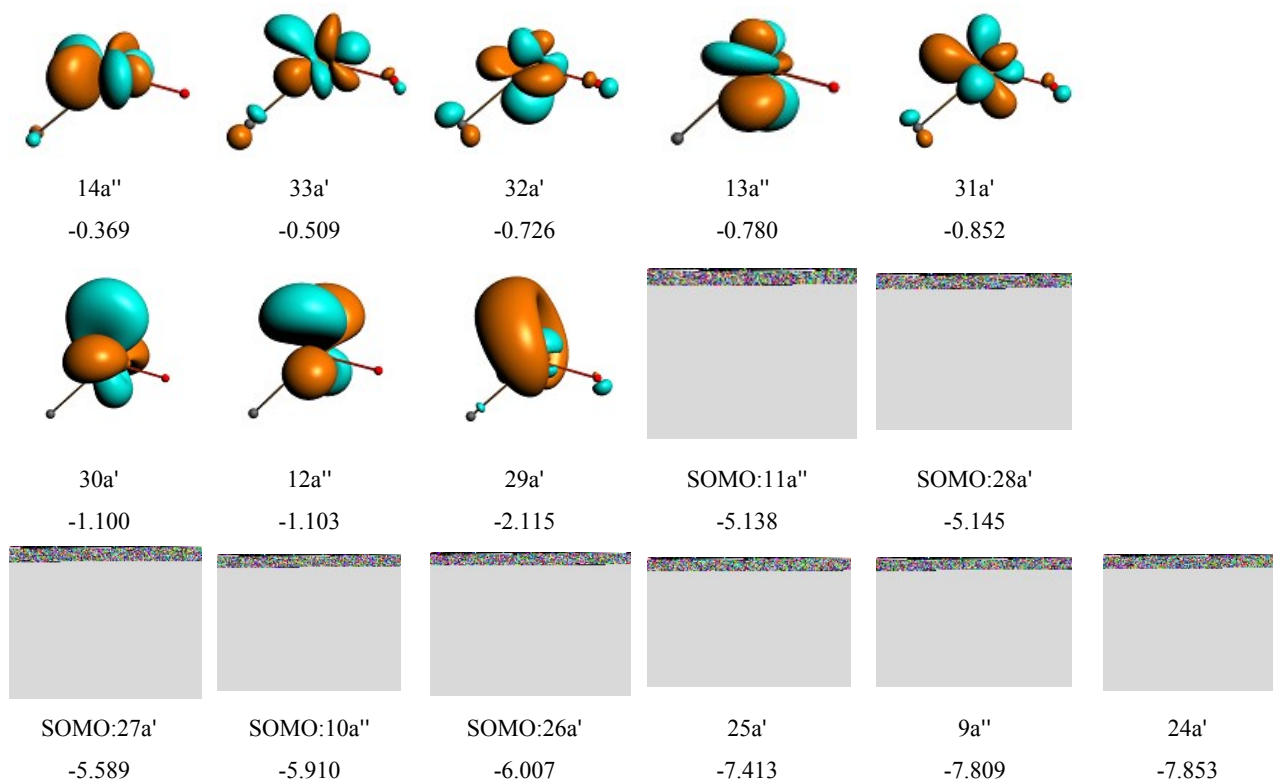


Figure S3. Frontier Kohn–Sham molecule orbitals of the CPrO complex. The value of the contour isovalues is 0.05 a.u. Only the alpha spin orbitals are presented, with the colors of blue and red for the phases of the occupied orbitals in contrast to that of yellow and cyan for the phases of the virtual orbitals.

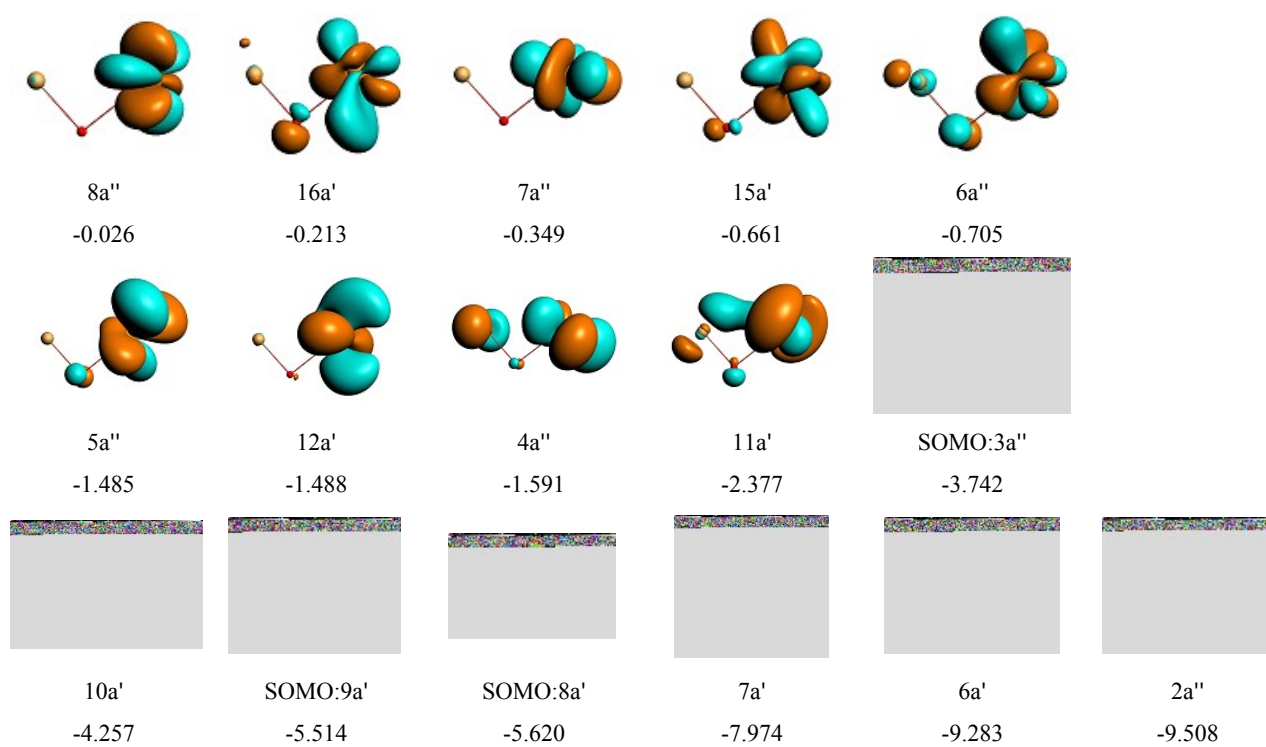


Figure S4. Frontier Kohn–Sham molecule orbitals of the SiOPr complex. The value of the contour isovalues is 0.05 a.u. Only the alpha spin orbitals are presented, with the colors of blue and red for the phases of the occupied orbitals in contrast to that of yellow and cyan for the phases of the virtual orbitals.

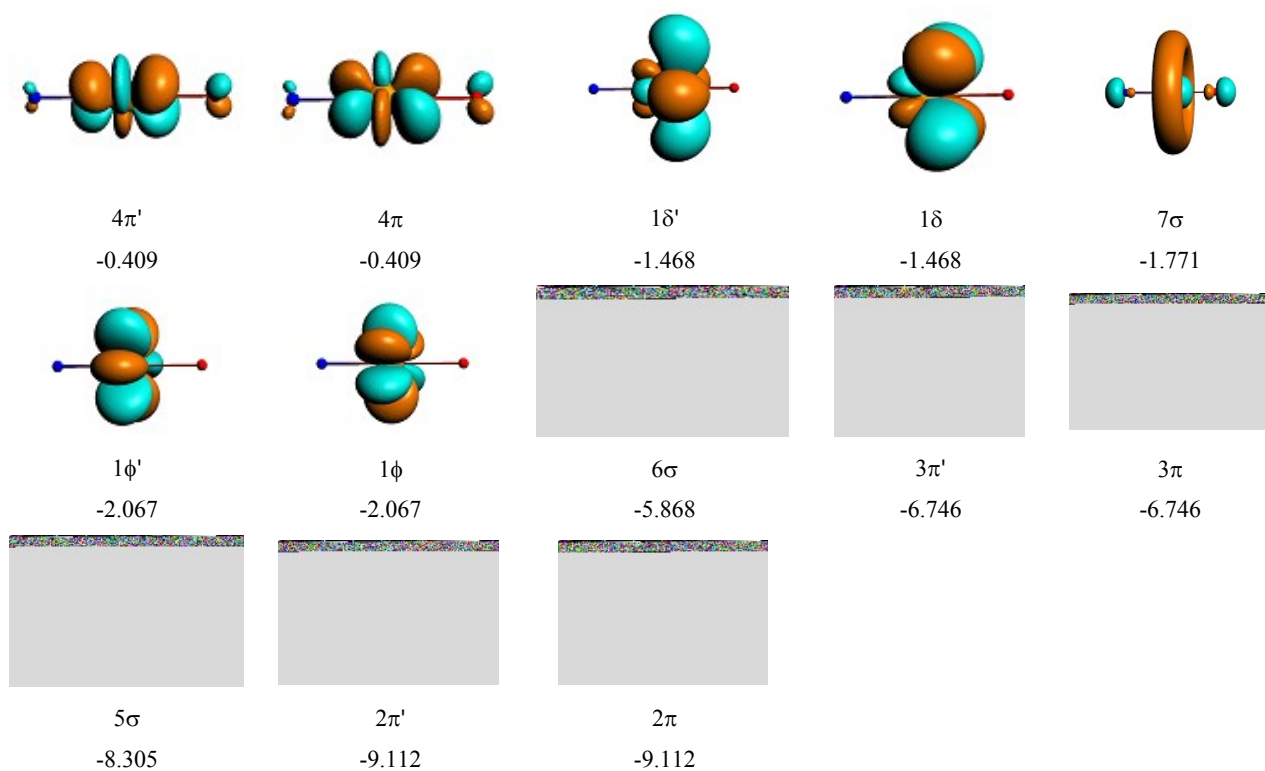


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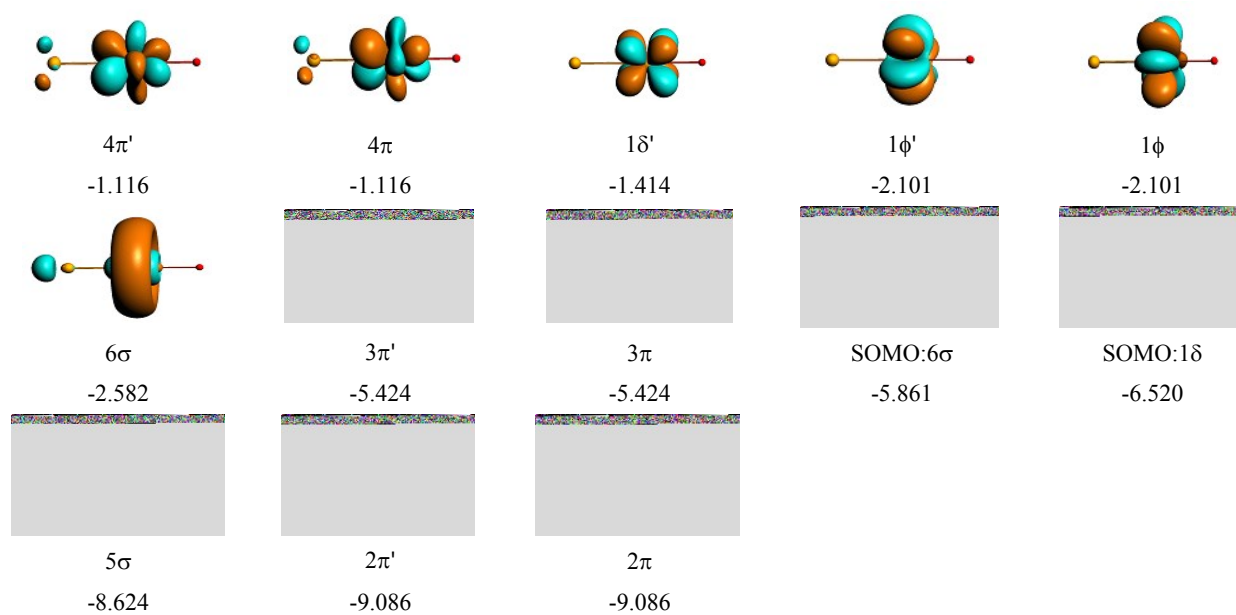


Figure S6. Frontier Kohn–Sham molecule orbitals of the PPrO complex. The value of the contour isovalues is 0.05 a.u. Only the alpha spin orbitals are presented, with the colors of blue and red for the phases of the occupied orbitals in contrast to that of yellow and cyan for the phases of the virtual orbitals.

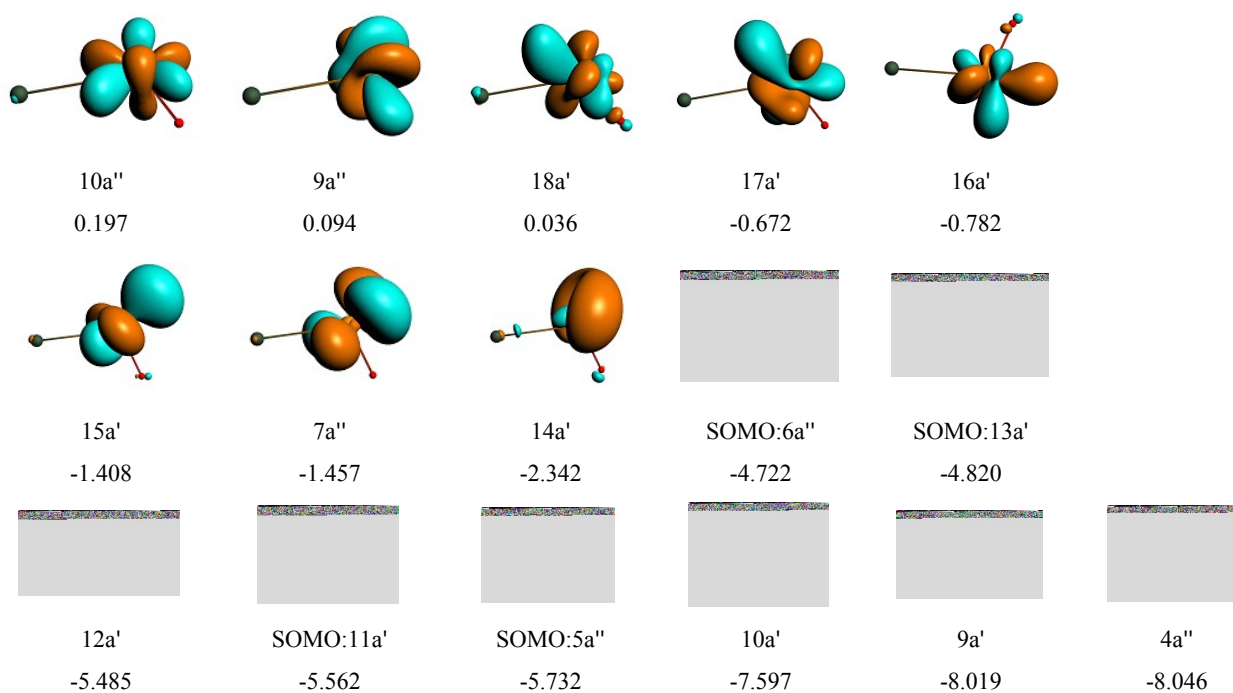


Figure S7. Frontier Kohn–Sham molecule orbitals of the AsPrO complex. The value of the contour isovalues is 0.05 a.u. Only the alpha spin orbitals are presented, with the colors of blue and red for the phases of the occupied orbitals in contrast to that of yellow and cyan for the phases of the virtual orbitals.

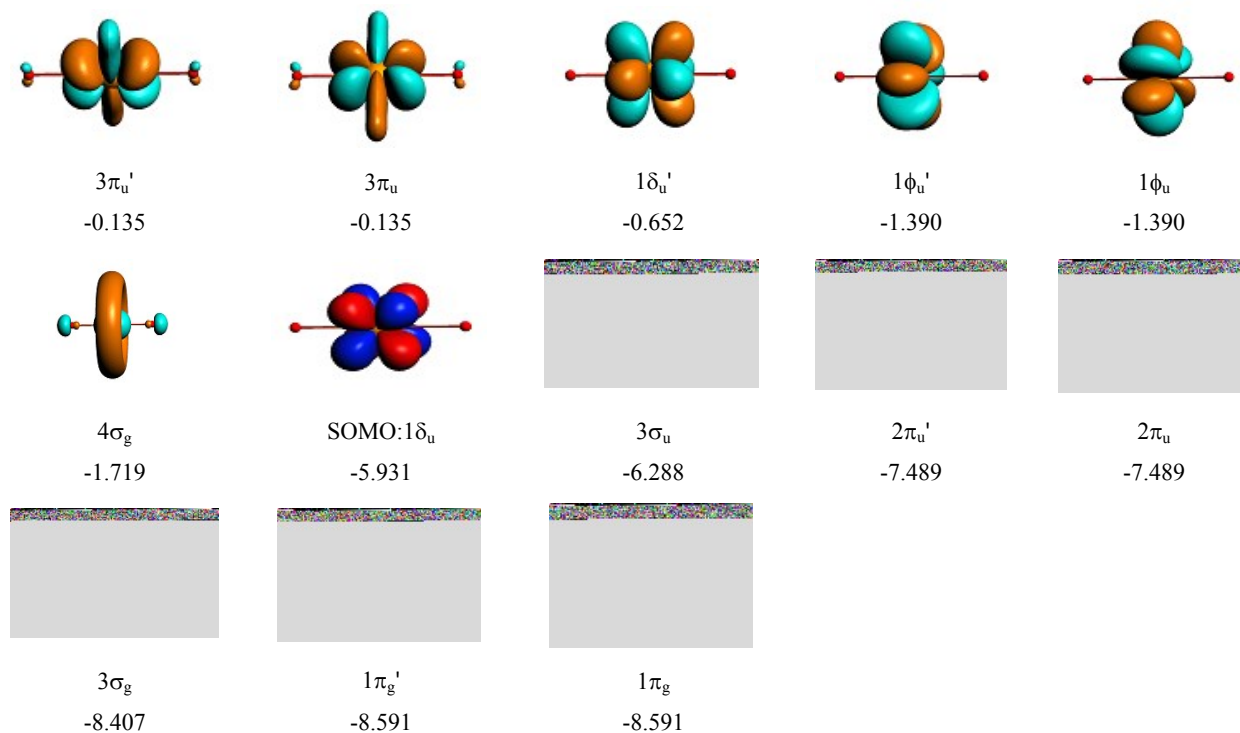


Figure S8. Frontier Kohn–Sham molecule orbitals of the PrO₂ complex. The value of the contour isovalues is 0.05 a.u. Only the alpha spin orbitals are presented, with the colors of blue and red for the phases of the occupied orbitals in contrast to that of yellow and cyan for the phases of the virtual orbitals.

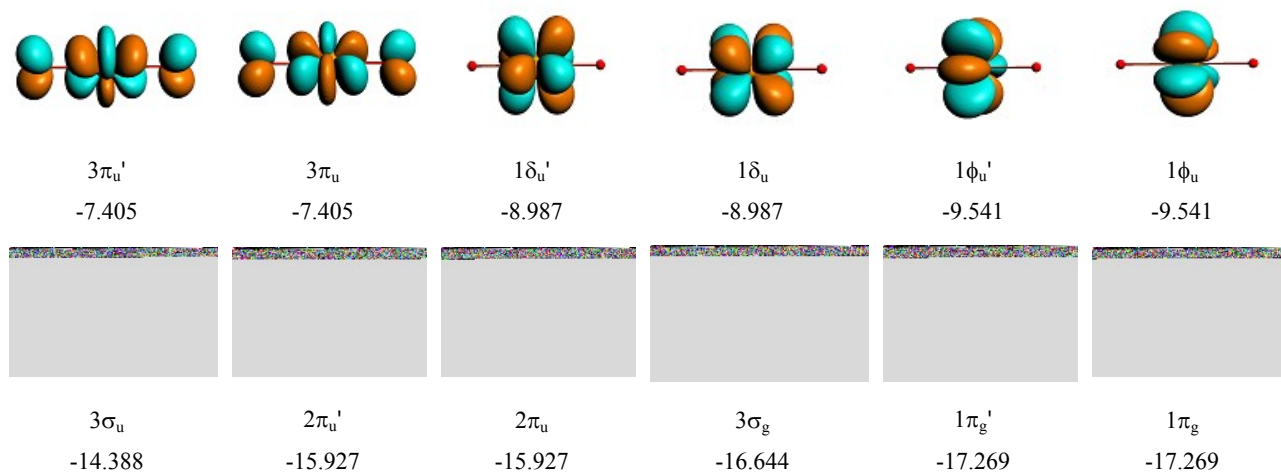


Figure S9. Frontier Kohn–Sham molecule orbitals of the $[\text{PrO}_2]^+$ complex. The value of the contour isovalues is 0.05 a.u. Only the alpha spin orbitals are presented, with the colors of blue and red for the phases of the occupied orbitals in contrast to that of yellow and cyan for the phases of the virtual orbitals.

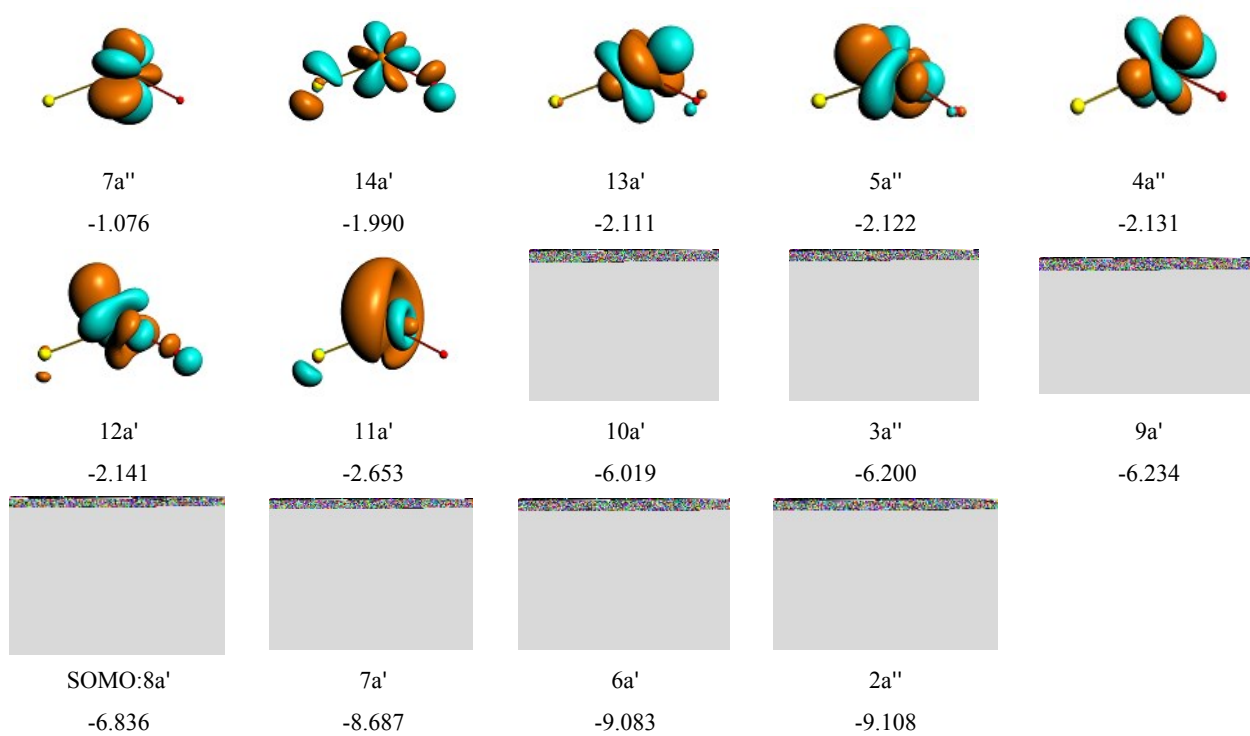


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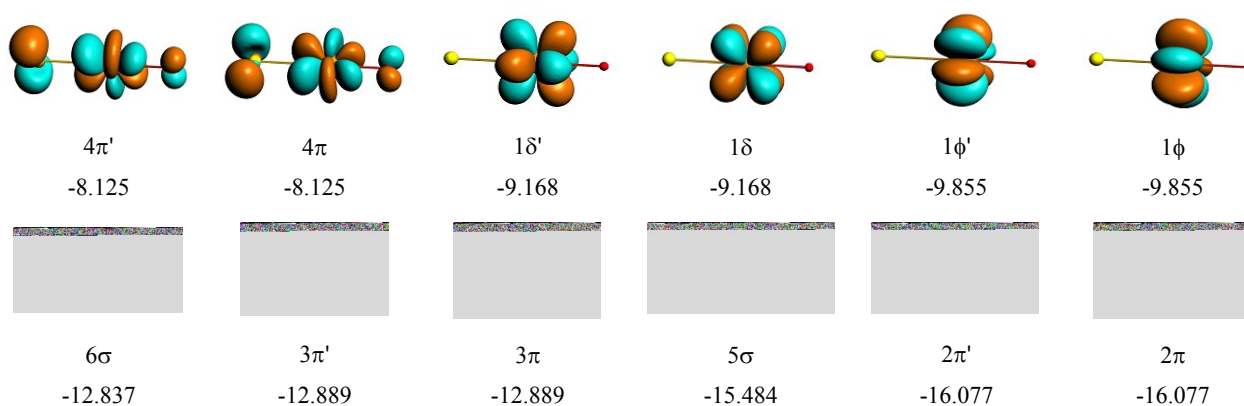


Figure S11. Frontier Kohn–Sham molecule orbitals of the $[\text{SPrO}]^+$ complex. The value of the contour isovalues is 0.05 a.u. Only the alpha spin orbitals are presented, with the colors of blue and red for the phases of the occupied orbitals in contrast to that of yellow and cyan for the phases of the virtual orbitals.

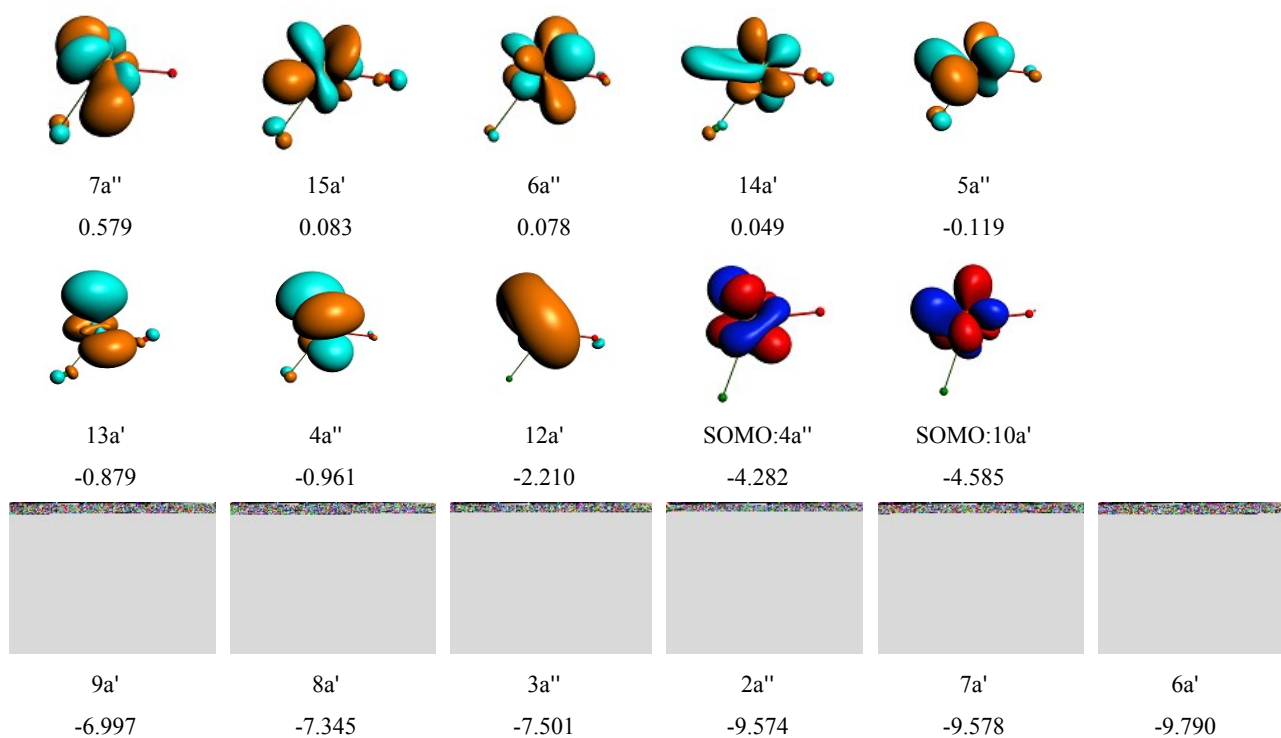


Figure S12. Frontier Kohn–Sham molecule orbitals of the FPrO complex. The value of the contour isovalues is 0.05 a.u. Only the alpha spin orbitals are presented, with the colors of blue and red for the phases of the occupied orbitals in contrast to that of yellow and cyan for the phases of the virtual orbitals.

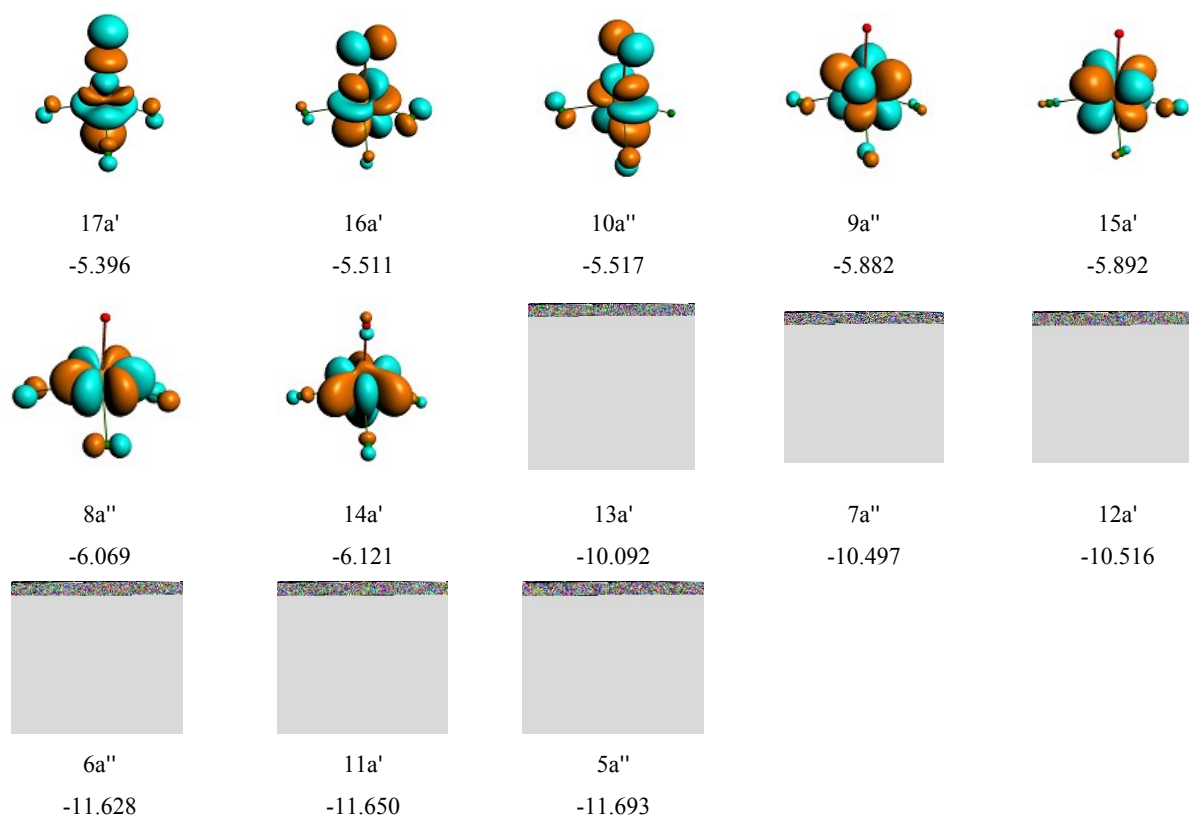
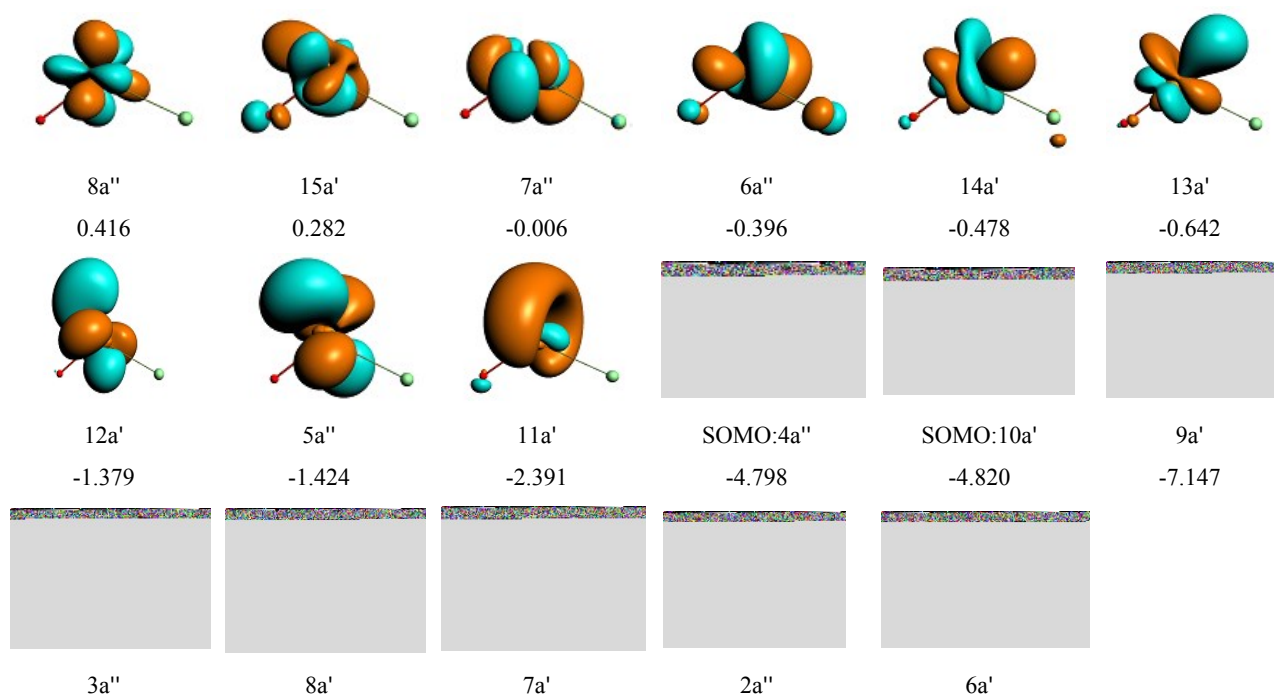


Figure S13. Frontier Kohn–Sham molecule orbitals of the F_3PrO complex. The value of the contour isovalues is 0.05 a.u. Only the alpha spin orbitals are presented, with the colors of blue and red for the phases of the occupied orbitals in contrast to that of yellow and cyan for the phases of the virtual orbitals.



-7.590

-7.614

-7.902

-8.084

-8.464

Figure S14. Frontier Kohn–Sham molecule orbitals of the ClPrO complex. The value of the contour isovalues is 0.05 a.u. Only the alpha spin orbitals are presented, with the colors of blue and red for the phases of the occupied orbitals in contrast to that of yellow and cyan for the phases of the virtual orbitals.

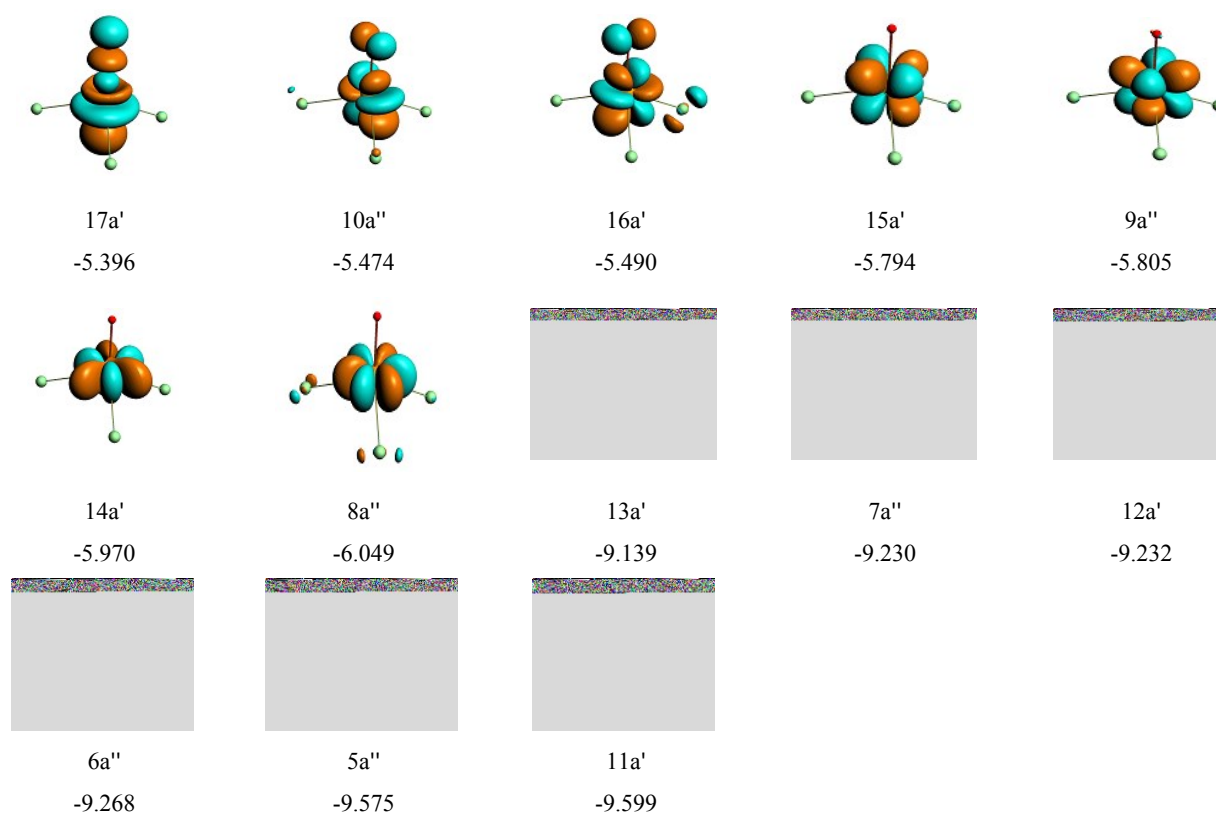


Figure S15. Frontier Kohn–Sham molecule orbitals of the Cl_3PrO complex. The value of the contour isovalues is 0.05 a.u. Only the alpha spin orbitals are presented, with the colors of blue and red for the phases of the occupied orbitals in contrast to that of yellow and cyan for the phases of the virtual orbitals.

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