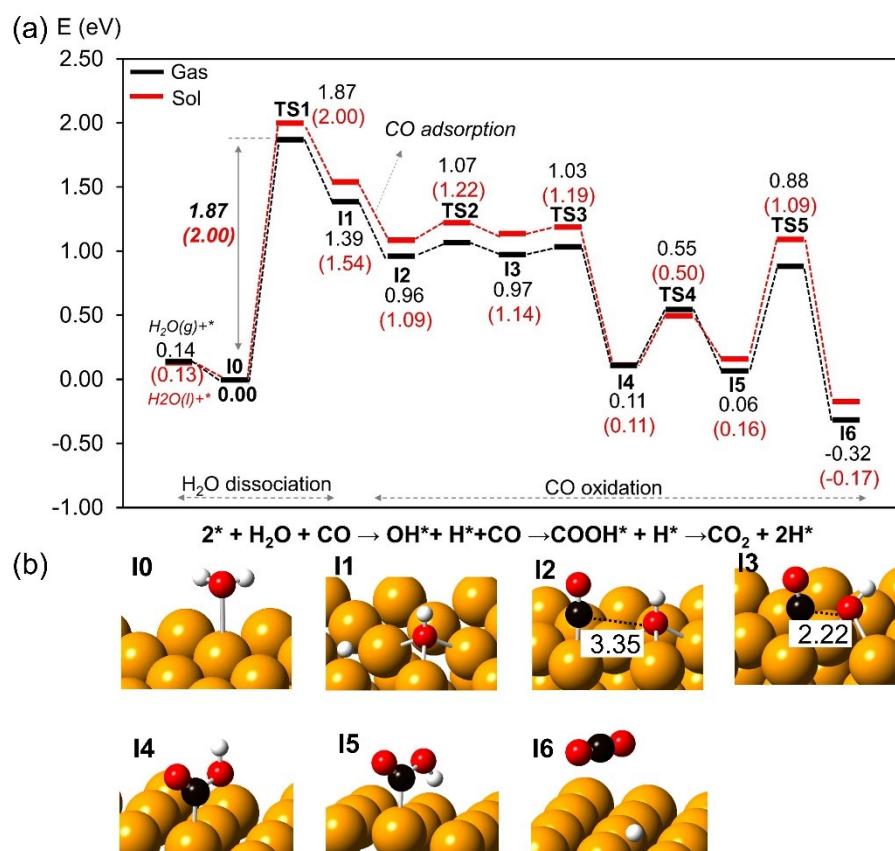


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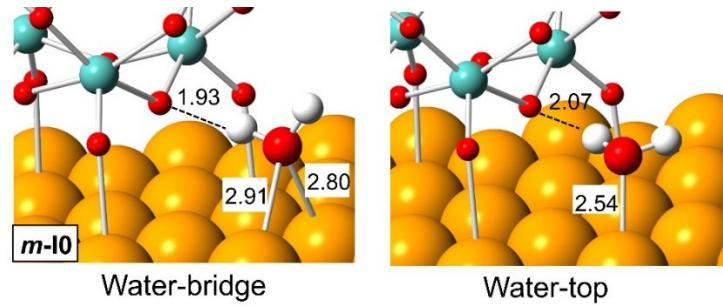
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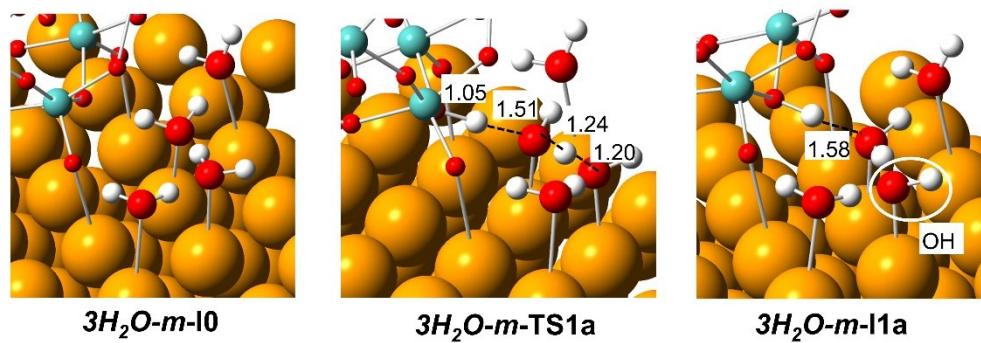
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**Fig. S1** (a) Calculated energy (eV) profile for WGSR on bare Au(111) with (red) and without (black) solvent considered. All energies are referred to the water adsorbed state **I0** (defined as energy zero); (b) the main intermediates involved in the mechanism.



**Fig. S2** The adsorption modes of water on  $K_3PMo_{12}$ -Au(111) through the bridge (left) and top (right) sites.



**Fig. S3.** The optimized geometries for water dissociation process in the presence of three explicit water molecules on  $PMo_{12}$ -Au(111).

**Table S1.** The Bader AIM charge comparisons for the main intermediates and transition states involved in the proposed mechanism catalyzed by  $\text{PMo}_{12}\text{-Au}(111)$  and  $\text{PW}_{12}\text{-Au}(111)$ .

|                      | $\Sigma\text{PM}_{12}$ | $\Sigma\text{K}$ | $\Sigma\text{Au}$ | $\text{H}_{w1}$ | $\text{H}_{w2}$ | $\text{O}_w$ | C    | $\text{O}_{\text{CO}}$ |
|----------------------|------------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|------|------------------------|
| <b><i>m</i>-I1*</b>  | -3.07                  | 2.70             | 0.23              | 0.66            | 0.63            | -1.22        | 1.10 | -1.03                  |
| <b><i>m</i>-TS1*</b> | -3.22                  | 2.71             | 0.24              | 0.65            | 0.63            | -1.07        | 1.13 | -1.06                  |
| <b><i>m</i>-I2*</b>  | -3.49                  | 2.71             | 0.25              | 0.67            | 0.64            | -1.17        | 1.47 | -1.08                  |
| <b><i>m</i>-TS2*</b> | -3.54                  | 2.71             | 0.20              | 0.65            | 0.63            | -1.16        | 1.57 | -1.06                  |
| <b><i>m</i>-I3*</b>  | -3.97                  | 2.70             | 0.07              | 0.62            | 0.60            | -1.07        | 2.09 | -1.04                  |
| <b><i>w</i>-I1*</b>  | -2.84                  | 2.72             | 0.12              | 0.62            | 0.63            | -1.19        | 1.10 | -1.04                  |
| <b><i>w</i>-TS1*</b> | -2.85                  | 2.72             | -0.18             | 0.64            | 0.67            | -1.09        | 1.19 | -1.10                  |
| <b><i>w</i>-I2*</b>  | -3.04                  | 2.72             | -0.18             | 0.67            | 0.62            | -1.12        | 1.42 | -1.10                  |
| <b><i>w</i>-TS2*</b> | -3.23                  | 2.72             | -0.21             | 0.69            | 0.63            | -1.14        | 1.59 | -1.05                  |
| <b><i>w</i>-I3*</b>  | -3.45                  | 2.72             | -0.44             | 0.58            | 0.63            | -1.05        | 2.09 | -1.06                  |