

Supporting Information

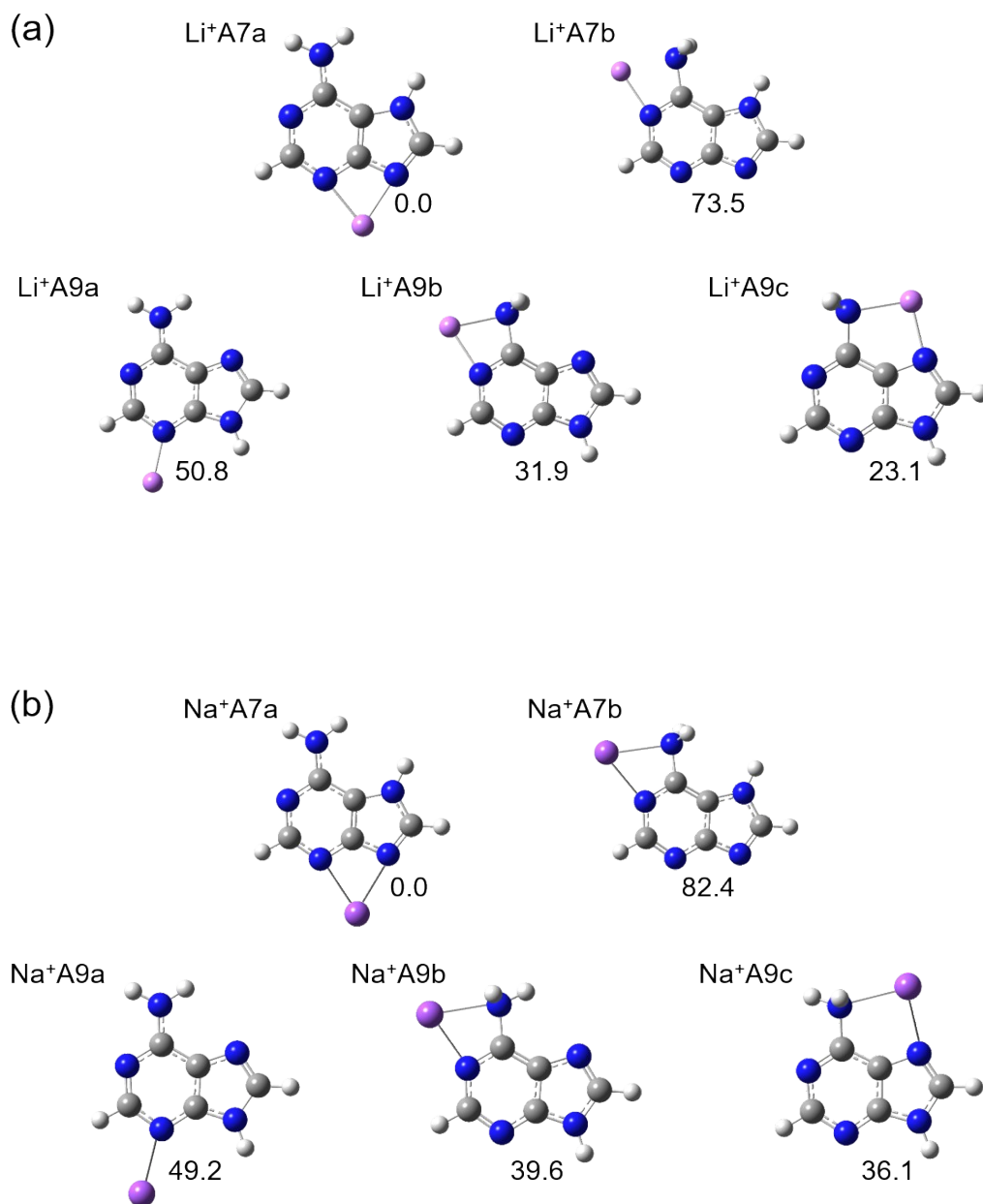
Cryogenic Ion Spectroscopy of Adenine Complexes

Containing Alkali Metal Cations

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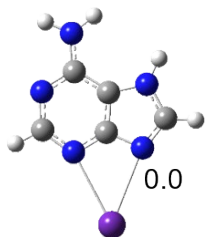
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Figure S1. Optimized structures of low-lying isomers of (a) Li^+A , (b) Na^+A , (c) Rb^+A , and (d) Cs^+A predicted at the M06-2X/6-311++G(d,p) level. The numbers represent the relative energies in kJ/mol with zero-point energy corrections.

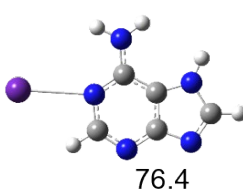


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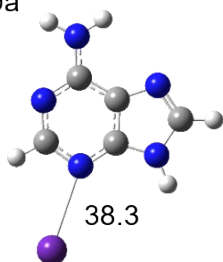
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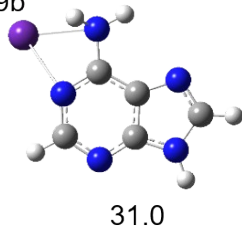
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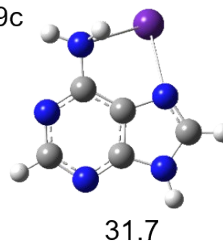
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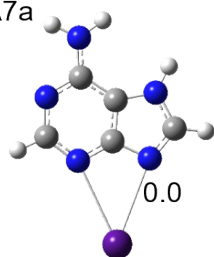


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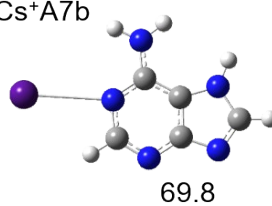


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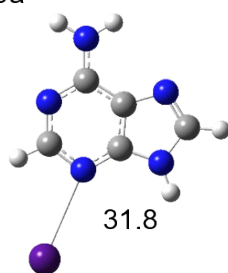
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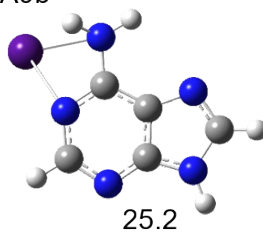
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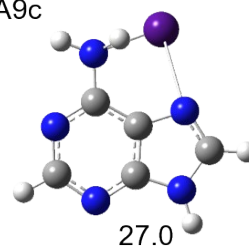


Figure S2. Theoretical IR spectra of low-lying isomers of (a) Li^+A , (b) Na^+A , (c) Rb^+A , and (d) Cs^+A predicted at the CAM-B3LYP/6-311++G(d,p) level with the scaling factor of 0.95. The IR ion-dip spectra of M^+A are shown at the top for comparison.

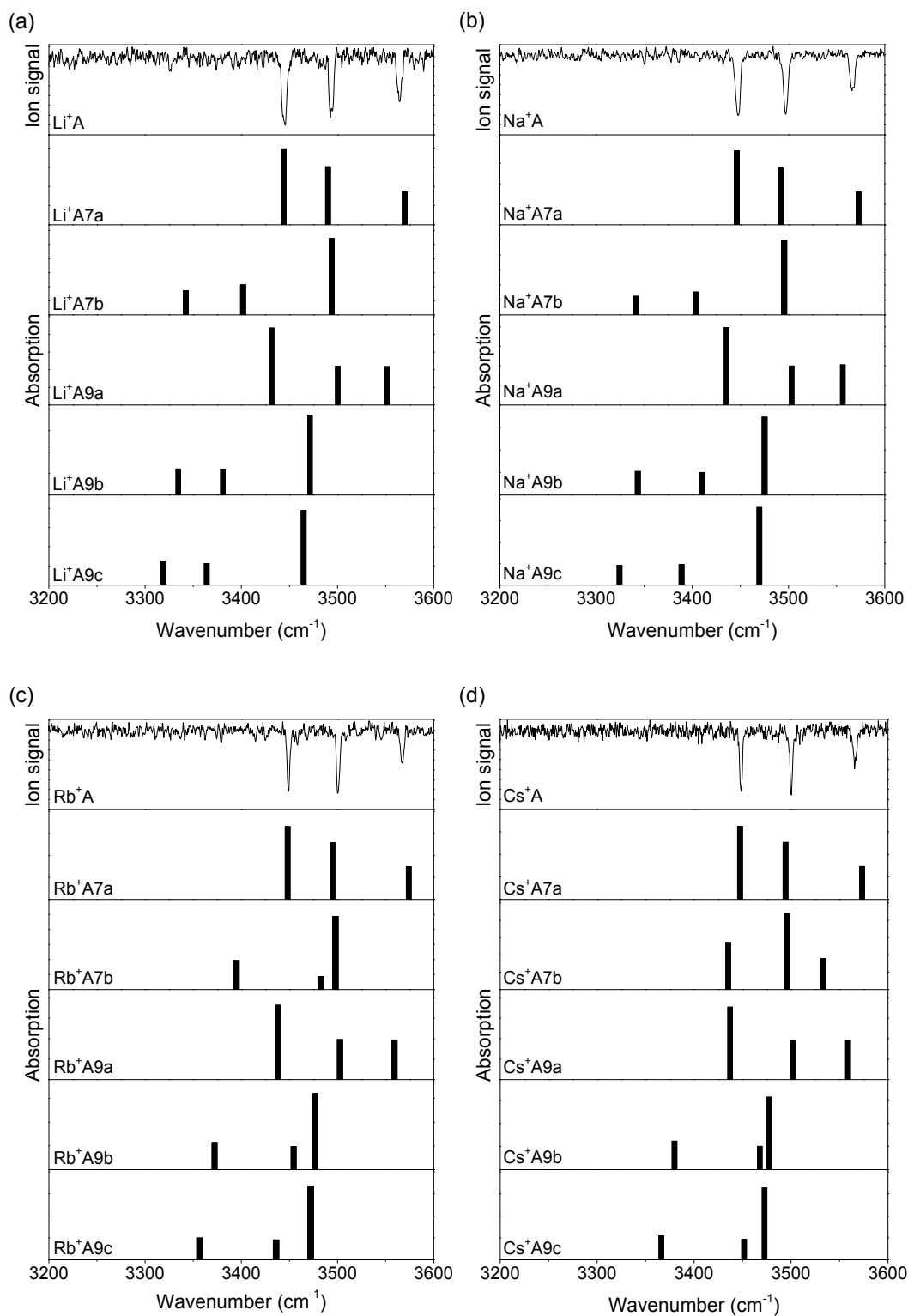
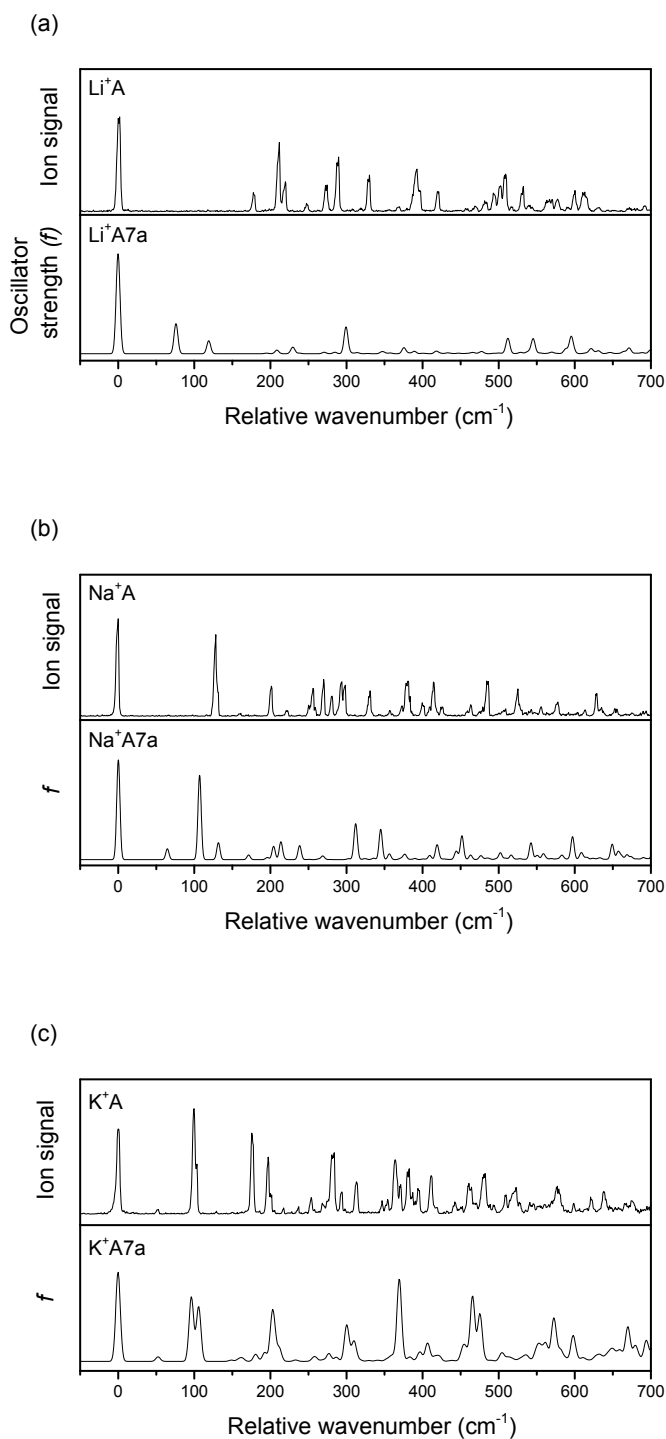


Figure S3. Electronic spectra of (a) $\text{Li}^+\text{A7a}$, (b) $\text{Na}^+\text{A7a}$, (c) $\text{K}^+\text{A7a}$, and (d) $\text{Rb}^+\text{A7a}$ simulated using TDDFT at the M06-2X/6-311++G(d,p) level in consideration of Franck-Condon factors. The UVPD spectra of M^+A ions are shown at the top for comparison. The simulated electronic spectra of $\text{M}^+\text{A9a}$ were not able to be obtained due to the dissociative nature of N3- M^+ bonds at the S_1 state. The electronic spectrum of $\text{Cs}^+\text{A7a}$ was not able to be simulated, possibly due to an error associated with the core potential basis set for Cs atom.



(d)

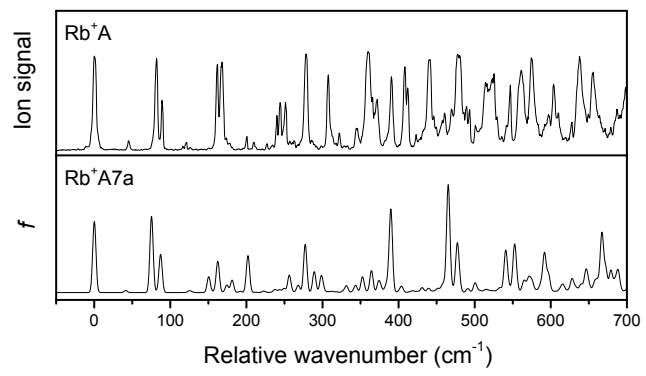


Figure S4. ESI mass spectrum of K^+A ions.

