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Probing the Binding and Activation of Small Molecules by Gas-Phase Transition Metal Clusters via IR Spectroscopy

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Table S1 Experimental vibrational frequencies (in cm⁻¹) of anionic, neutral and cationic gold cluster complexes Au_n(O₂)_m^{-/0/+}

<i>n</i>	<i>m</i>	APES ^{a,1}	anionic ^{b, 2}	neutral ^{c,3}	cationic ^{d,4}
1	1 2		911.9	1213.6	
2	1 2 3	1360(70)			1467, 1756; 1503 ^e 1460, 1756; 1472 ^e 1443, 1759
3	1 2 3 4				1512 1512 1514 1518, 1730
4	1 2 3 4	1360(80)	1078	1502 1508, 1573, 1650 1508, 1573, 1650	1488 1273, 1489, 1722 1261; 1487; 1717 1236, 1493, 1714
5	1 2 3 4				1516 1513 1513 1515, 1705
6	1 2	1330(100)	1081		1511 1515, 1708
7	1 2			1063, 1528 1064, 1528	1521
8	1 2		1051, 1067, 1110		1463 1446
9	1			1058	
10	1 2		1053		1068 1069, 1530
11	1 2			1058 1058	
12	1 2 3 4 5		1053		1494 1051, 1487 1064, 1483 1064 1069
14	1		1069		
18	1		1061		
20	1		1068		
21	1 3			1069	1067, 1376
22	1				874, 1063, 1359

^a vibrational data for the neutral species in the structure of the anion; ^b data from IR-MPD, original tabulated values are corrected by a factor of 1.0075 for the calibration of the IR laser frequency that had been initially erroneously ignored; estimated accuracy ± 3 cm⁻¹, except for *n*=1 that is from Ne matrix IR spectroscopy Ref. ⁵; ^c data from IR-MPD with an estimated accuracy of ± 3 cm⁻¹, except for *n*=1 that is from Ne matrix IR spectroscopy Ref. ⁵; ^d data from IR-MPD with an estimated accuracy of ± 10 cm⁻¹, reanalyzed original data; ^e Ref. ⁶ reports for Au₂(O₂)_{*n*}⁺ (*n*=1,2) slightly higher values compared to Ref.^{4b}. While the deviation for *n*=2 probably reflects the experimental (calibration) accuracy of IR-MPD using IR-FELs, the larger discrepancy for *n*=1 may be due to fragmentation of larger complexes affecting the shape and position of the depletion peak although the authors of ref. ⁶ took precautions to avoid such distortions.

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