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## **Supplementary Information File**

## Electronic structure of non-metal (N, S) doped cobalt phosphide catalysts and catalytic mechanism for hydrogen evolution of ammonia borane: A theoretical study

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Pathway	Compound s	B-H(1)	Co(3)-H(1)	N-H(2)	Co(3)-H(2)	Co(4)-H(2)	H(1)-H(2)
	M1	0.129	0.165	0.103	0.345	0.303	0.253
Path I	TS1	0.152	0.161	0.103	0.345	0.305	0.231
	M2	0.262	0.172	0.103	0.305	0.309	0.193
	TS3	0.263	0.165	0.139	0.300	0.301	0.165
	M3	0.346	0.165	0.257	0.164	0.360	0.853
	TS4	0.129	0.165	0.103	0.345	0.303	0.253
	P1	0.152	0.161	0.103	0.345	0.305	0.231
	M1	0.262	0.172	0.103	0.305	0.309	0.193
Path II	TS5	0.256	0.171	0.184	0.285	0.240	0.171
	M3	0.276	0.150	0.316	0.168	0.173	0.208
	TS4	0.310	0.149	0.295	0.152	0.233	0.145
	P1	0.346	0.165	0.257	0.164	0.360	0.085
Path III	M1	0.129	0.165	0.103	0.345	0.303	0.253
	P1	0.187	0.159	0.179	0.240	0.209	0.239
	M1	0.276	0.150	0.316	0.168	0.173	0.208
	TS1	0.310	0.149	0.295	0.152	0.233	0.145
	M2	0.346	0.165	0.257	0.164	0.360	0.085
	TS3	0.129	0.165	0.103	0.345	0.303	0.253
Path IV	M3	0.346	0.165	0.257	0.164	0.360	0.085
	TS4	0.129	0.165	0.103	0.345	0.303	0.253

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Pathway	Compounds	B-H(1)	Co(3)-H(1)	N-H(2)	Co(3)-H(2)	Co(4)-H(2)	H(1)-H(2)
Path I	M1s	0.128	0.164	0.103	0.344	0.306	0.256
	TS1s	0.178	0.159	0.103	0.336	0.289	0.211
	M2s	0.264	0.173	0.104	0.302	0.281	0.197
	TS2s	0.267	0.162	0.183	0.260	0.246	0.147
	P1s	0.321	0.162	0.321	0.163	0.299	0.087
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	TS1s	0.178	0.159	0.103	0.336	0.289	0.211
	M2s	0.264	0.173	0.104	0.302	0.281	0.197
	TS3s	0.300	0.187	0.238	0.295	0.160	0.167
	M3s	0.337	0.152	0.351	0.171	0.173	0.24
	TS4s	0.327	0.155	0.334	0.167	0.224	0.180
	P1s	0.321	0.162	0.321	0.163	0.299	0.087
	M1s	0.128	0.164	0.104	0.315	0.306	0.277
Path III	TS5s	0.201	0.158	0.182	0.249	0.215	0.257
	M3s	0.337	0.152	0.351	0.171	0.173	0.24
	TS4s	0.327	0.155	0.334	0.167	0.224	0.180
	P1s	0.321	0.162	0.321	0.163	0.299	0.087
Path IV	M1s	0.128	0.164	0.104	0.315	0.306	0.277
	P1s	0.321	0.162	0.321	0.163	0.299	0.087
	M1s	0.128	0.164	0.103	0.344	0.306	0.256

**Table S2** Bond length (nm) table of reaction process of NH<sub>3</sub>BH<sub>3</sub> on S@CoP (101) crystal plane.

		$E_r$	$E_a$
Pathway	Intermediate/transition state	kcal/mol	kcal/mol
	M1	0.0	
	TS1	21.9	21.9
Path I	M2	-5.9	
	TS2	45.7	51.7
	P1	10.9	
	M1	0.0	
	TS1	21.9	21.9
	M2	-5.9	
Path II	TS3	25.4	31.4
	M3	18.4	
	TS4	18.9	0.6
	P1	10.9	
	M1	0.0	
	TS5	36.7	36.7
Path III	M3	18.4	
	TS4	18.9	0.6
	P1	10.9	
	M1	0.0	
Path IV	TS6	52.0	52.0
	P1	10.9	

**Table S3** Each position energy (*E*), relative energy ( $E_{rel}$ ) and activation energy ( $E_a$ ) of CoP catalyzed NH<sub>3</sub>BH<sub>3</sub> reaction process.

Dethyon	Intermediate/transition state -	$E_r$	$E_a$
Pathway	Intermediate/transition state	kcal/mol	kcal/mol
	M1s	0.0	
	TS1s	22.0	22.0
Path I	M2s	-9.1	
	TS2s	34.2	43.3
	P1s	10.0	
	M1s	0.0	
	TS1s	22.0	22.0
	M2s	-9.1	
Path II	TS3 <sub>S</sub>	27.3	36.4
	M3s	8.2	
	TS4s	15.3	7.2
	P1s	10.0	
	M1s	0.0	
	TS5s	32.4	32.4
Path III	M3 <sub>8</sub>	8.2	
	TS4s	15.3	7.2
	P1s	10.0	
	M1s	0.0	
Path IV	TS6s	50.7	50.7
	P1s	10.0	

**Table S4** Each position energy (*E*), relative energy ( $E_{rel}$ ) and activation energy ( $E_a$ ) of S@CoP catalyzed NH<sub>3</sub>BH<sub>3</sub> reaction process.