

# Probing the Protonation and Reduction of Heptavalent Neptunium with Computational Guidance

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## 1. Computational calculations

### 1.1 DFT optimized coordinates and optimized bond lengths

**Table S1:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[NpO_4(OH)_2]_{(aq)}^{3-}$

Np	-5.54480	-0.88550	0.00070
O	-5.53080	1.01120	0.04600
O	-3.65210	-0.90000	-0.10570
O	-7.44140	-0.87330	-0.05610
O	-5.55720	-2.77750	0.11800
O	-5.50380	-0.83880	2.40210
H	-5.47450	0.09180	2.64480
O	-5.57580	-0.94240	-2.40030
H	-6.50500	-0.95730	-2.64950

**Table S2:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[NpO_4(OH)(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{2-}$

Np	-5.58390	-0.91400	-0.12010
O	-5.59090	0.96260	0.01700
O	-3.71020	-0.90790	-0.12420
O	-7.45720	-0.92010	-0.13230
O	-5.57730	-2.78870	0.02820
O	-5.57750	-0.82620	2.55270
H	-5.26900	0.04990	2.81440
O	-5.56810	-0.92150	-2.46450
H	-6.47390	-0.92820	-2.78850
H	-4.96430	-1.45050	2.95900

**Table S3:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[NpO_4(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^{-}$

Np	-5.61390	-0.86640	0.00870
O	-5.55340	0.98750	-0.01580
O	-3.76290	-0.92750	-0.10480
O	-7.46820	-0.80990	0.01090
O	-5.66770	-2.71620	0.14570
O	-5.53370	-0.75760	2.60640
H	-5.06010	0.00240	2.96590
O	-5.70910	-0.97810	-2.58880
H	-6.48200	-1.43180	-2.94650
H	-5.14760	-1.53390	3.03010
H	-4.94340	-1.39310	-3.00430

**Table S4:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[NpO_3(OH)(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}$ 

Np	-5.67260	-0.86760	0.01980
O	-5.52820	0.90510	-0.14530
O	-3.56570	-0.88720	-0.13810
O	-7.50370	-0.81160	0.14880
O	-5.59560	-2.64760	0.17530
O	-5.45350	-0.67300	2.52470
H	-5.10530	0.13760	2.91660
O	-5.83230	-1.11310	-2.48670
H	-5.48150	-1.90450	-2.91390
H	-5.07760	-1.40570	3.02840
H	-5.60540	-0.36900	-3.05820
H	-3.20940	-1.78430	-0.08560

**Table S5:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $^{trans}[NpO_2(OH)_2(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^+$ 

Np	-5.37350	-0.88880	-0.04330
O	-5.58000	0.84000	-0.07830
O	-3.31890	-0.68060	0.02720
O	-7.41930	-1.11040	0.05160
O	-5.19120	-2.61440	0.10430
O	-5.34650	-0.71170	2.37770
H	-5.73580	0.03320	2.85460
O	-6.02640	-0.97470	-2.46430
H	-6.79860	-1.50710	-2.69760
H	-5.34620	-1.47190	2.97440
H	-5.35860	-1.13310	-3.14580
H	-2.77630	-1.48360	0.06970
H	-7.97960	-0.31870	0.03020

**Table S6:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $^{cis}[NpO_2(OH)_2(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^+$ 

Np	-5.45620	-0.76140	0.05130
O	-5.66690	1.21900	-0.31940
O	-3.49280	-0.45570	-0.32610
O	-7.21950	-0.68660	0.18180
O	-5.05230	-2.47650	0.21300
O	-5.73170	-1.06590	2.54730
H	-6.17600	-0.38200	3.06570
O	-5.74440	-1.17110	-2.32370
H	-6.48490	-0.84780	-2.85260
H	-4.98870	-1.38180	3.07840
H	-5.32440	-1.89150	-2.81060
H	-2.85910	-1.18640	-0.25280
H	-4.80890	1.65230	-0.47700

**Table S7:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[NpO(OH)_3(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^{2+}$ 

Np	-5.34860	-0.99270	0.10740
O	-5.64970	0.96560	-0.05350
O	-3.54820	-0.63880	-0.49910
O	-7.04020	-1.28360	0.35410
O	-5.07170	-2.95530	-0.08400
O	-5.68040	-0.46660	2.49810
H	-4.94440	-0.24790	3.08680
O	-5.83950	-1.04240	-2.21560
H	-6.54210	-1.58670	-2.59970
H	-6.36850	-0.89470	3.02580
H	-5.16230	-0.90660	-2.89440
H	-2.78310	-1.24880	-0.44020
H	-4.93290	1.59530	-0.26380
H	-5.71630	-3.64940	0.15120

**Table S8:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[Np(OH)_4(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^{3+}$ 

Np	-5.73310	-1.17770	0.18180
O	-5.99580	0.72990	0.15300
O	-3.83640	-0.90480	-0.00720
O	-7.60400	-1.33900	-0.28570
O	-5.44580	-3.03200	-0.26890
O	-5.20720	-0.40460	2.41150
H	-5.29680	0.50910	2.72390
O	-5.62680	-0.92090	-2.13720
H	-6.35140	-1.18480	-2.72690
H	-4.55160	-0.85580	2.96780
H	-4.80190	-0.89750	-2.64870
H	-3.05020	-1.49330	0.07240
H	-5.35910	1.46810	0.00370
H	-5.98920	-3.83180	-0.07510
H	-8.38860	-0.78760	-0.05910

**Table S9:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[NpO_3(OH)_3]_{(aq)}^{2-}$ 

Np	-5.56930	-0.80760	-0.01860
O	-5.60970	1.01360	0.04970
O	-3.67730	-0.88670	-0.17010
O	-7.77750	-0.74620	0.15020
O	-5.75330	-2.61860	-0.06900
O	-5.43510	-0.90660	2.26020
H	-5.24630	-0.04430	2.64410
O	-5.77950	-0.69730	-2.28960
H	-5.71320	-1.56770	-2.69540
H	-8.05100	0.17660	0.20150

**Table S10:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $cis[NpO_2(OH)_4]_{(aq)}$ 

Np	-5.45420	-0.81760	-0.01990
O	-5.66200	0.98350	-0.17620
O	-3.67940	-1.19510	-0.14200
O	-7.54920	-0.88650	0.17070
O	-5.59610	-2.91710	0.19610
O	-5.18840	-0.55590	2.13700
H	-5.69600	0.18040	2.49850
O	-5.56870	-0.97220	-2.19970
H	-6.14430	-0.30980	-2.60030
H	-8.01840	-0.04460	0.13050
H	-6.53540	-3.13280	0.30170

**Table S11:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $trans[NpO_2(OH)_4]_{(aq)}$ 

Np	-5.63020	-0.95350	0.04150
O	-5.63080	0.81150	-0.15270
O	-3.46170	-0.97980	-0.09260
O	-7.79830	-0.90930	0.17460
O	-5.62550	-2.71910	0.23580
O	-5.49070	-0.74660	2.20190
H	-5.54640	0.16140	2.52280
O	-5.76320	-1.22650	-2.11220
H	-5.88280	-0.41060	-2.61280
H	-8.19800	-0.03430	0.11020
H	-3.05230	-1.85060	-0.03210

**Table S12:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[NpO(OH)_5]_{(aq)}$ 

Np	-5.50610	-0.81430	0.06160
O	-5.56640	0.96190	0.05650
O	-3.41070	-0.77160	0.06710
O	-7.58710	-0.82680	-0.04630
O	-5.44550	-2.81900	0.20530
O	-5.51550	-0.73260	2.14780
H	-5.62860	0.10470	2.61740
O	-5.44830	-1.03710	-2.01500
H	-6.19150	-0.73470	-2.55630
H	-8.09130	-0.01510	0.10230
H	-2.94550	-1.60280	-0.10550
H	-5.48430	-3.33300	-0.61800

**Table S13:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[Np(OH)_6]_{(aq)}^+$ 

Np	-5.46440	-0.86990	-0.04740
O	-5.47310	1.13800	0.01790
O	-3.44970	-0.87560	-0.14620
O	-7.47390	-0.84960	-0.11720
O	-5.49130	-2.88470	0.06550
O	-5.34750	-0.89660	1.96500
H	-5.49840	-0.09610	2.49800
O	-5.41030	-0.89690	-2.06250
H	-6.20410	-1.07960	-2.59590
H	-8.02540	-0.14770	0.27100
H	-2.88970	-1.16610	0.59450
H	-6.00060	-3.45910	-0.53290
H	-4.81760	1.73850	-0.37620

**Table S14:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[NpO_3(OH)_2(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^-$ 

Np	-5.56120	-0.89710	-0.15960
O	-5.81350	0.88090	-0.34720
O	-3.70150	-0.75140	-0.27660
O	-7.69100	-1.06100	0.19630
O	-5.52120	-2.68020	0.10970
O	-5.32070	-0.55750	2.40520
H	-4.79330	0.20080	2.68590
O	-5.83300	-1.22960	-2.35460
H	-5.85320	-0.42670	-2.88500
H	-8.11280	-0.19990	0.08670
H	-4.97720	-1.31400	2.89680

**Table S15:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $cis[NpO_3(OH)_3(H_2O)]_{(aq)}$ 

Np	-5.52410	-0.87970	-0.08990
O	-5.57930	0.91280	-0.19290
O	-3.75560	-1.20710	-0.11390
O	-7.56450	-0.83890	0.15000
O	-5.66500	-2.92660	0.09550
O	-5.29500	-0.69200	2.40990
H	-5.68710	0.05780	2.87580
O	-5.66460	-1.01470	-2.23020
H	-6.07940	-0.29260	-2.71640
H	-8.05070	-0.02580	-0.04610
H	-6.59440	-3.19890	0.17410
H	-4.43440	-0.85180	2.81810

**Table S16:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $trans[NpO_3(OH)_3(H_2O)]_{(aq)}$ 

Np	-5.65610	-0.95090	-0.05100
O	-5.65720	0.79980	-0.20560
O	-3.54160	-0.98220	-0.04990
O	-7.76190	-0.90420	0.13110
O	-5.64510	-2.68800	0.22790
O	-5.53870	-0.67690	2.43660
H	-5.22210	0.15180	2.81900
O	-5.73520	-1.18970	-2.16880
H	-5.98550	-0.46940	-2.75910
H	-8.21450	-0.07430	-0.07020
H	-3.10180	-1.84240	-0.02500
H	-5.18770	-1.38970	2.98590

**Table S17:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[NpO_2(OH)_4(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^+$ 

Np	-5.61710	-1.01000	-0.04580
O	-5.52510	0.73580	-0.16600
O	-3.60060	-1.26830	-0.09500
O	-7.63820	-0.90440	0.17650
O	-5.80010	-2.95080	0.26050
O	-5.45400	-0.61590	2.35800
H	-5.07620	0.20170	2.71020
O	-5.73530	-1.07620	-2.09740
H	-5.84650	-0.37540	-2.75440
H	-8.15760	-0.12870	-0.09240
H	-2.96870	-0.70300	-0.56860
H	-5.02460	-3.53670	0.17530
H	-5.26200	-1.32200	2.99060

**Table S18:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[NpO_2(OH)_5(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{2+}$ 

Np	-5.37980	-0.91620	-0.04990
O	-5.25720	1.04340	-0.04570
O	-3.49710	-1.16690	-0.60950
O	-7.31870	-0.74150	0.20980
O	-5.74610	-2.85370	-0.01270
O	-5.61820	-0.92060	2.35470
H	-6.33790	-0.45450	2.80540
O	-5.71620	-0.85310	-2.02570
H	-6.50570	-0.89350	-2.59320
H	-7.78770	0.11820	0.23780
H	-2.78780	-1.31560	0.05240
H	-5.08220	-3.55370	-0.17870
H	-4.72800	1.64480	-0.60680
H	-4.82480	-0.85680	2.90990

**Table S19:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[NpO_4(OH)_2]_{(aq)}^{4-}$ 

Np	-5.64285	-0.75438	-0.00445
O	-5.71984	1.21617	-0.15277
O	-3.67926	-0.66146	0.10958
O	-7.60528	-0.84664	-0.11876
O	-5.56703	-2.72497	0.14315
O	-5.77880	-0.56630	2.47521
H	-4.85273	-0.58263	2.73577
O	-5.51778	-0.95125	-2.48564
H	-6.42189	-1.20021	-2.70208

**Table S20:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[NpO_4(OH)(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{3-}$ 

Np	-6.09583	-1.70040	-0.06916
O	-6.69611	-0.22262	1.10422
O	-4.41874	-1.76940	0.95175
O	-7.80930	-1.69789	-0.96036
O	-5.60279	-3.32128	-1.01679
O	-4.54852	0.40446	2.55130
H	-5.44946	0.37403	2.12153
O	-5.13328	-0.24579	-1.66879
H	-5.79059	-0.06271	-2.34691
H	-4.22758	-0.40301	2.07487

**Table S21:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[NpO_4(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^{2-}$ 

Np	-4.77968	-1.71471	0.00211
O	-4.67059	0.22993	0.26359
O	-2.88636	-1.83808	0.20160
O	-6.72586	-1.56462	-0.24329
O	-4.90353	-3.60447	-0.22406
O	-5.50378	-0.83879	2.40203
H	-5.22241	-0.11921	1.74987
O	-5.57582	-0.94237	-2.40019
H	-6.32347	-1.11761	-1.73952
H	-4.83779	-0.84439	3.09945
H	-5.64796	-1.62299	-3.07931

**Table S22:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[NpO_3(OH)(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^-$ 

Np	-6.00580	-0.85739	0.06063
O	-5.96241	0.96857	-0.02817
O	-3.79319	-0.79493	-0.55130
O	-7.88997	-0.90398	0.36287
O	-5.82596	-2.67736	0.15908
O	-5.32235	-0.70572	2.52776
H	-4.91392	0.11793	2.82112
O	-5.50485	-0.87108	-2.60085
H	-5.59706	-1.73587	-3.01773
H	-4.78533	-1.41975	2.89234
H	-4.61308	-0.86281	-2.17288
H	-3.41686	-1.67853	-0.46694

**Table S23:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $^{trans}[NpO_2(OH)_2(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}$ 

Np	-5.37283	-0.81957	0.06034
O	-5.60890	0.93906	0.01483
O	-3.22699	-0.54086	0.15664
O	-7.52020	-1.11154	-0.01772
O	-5.14868	-2.57728	0.15055
O	-5.55488	-0.79779	2.55085
H	-5.45441	0.00410	3.07816
O	-5.96295	-0.97682	-2.45097
H	-6.86151	-1.33389	-2.45182
H	-5.23232	-1.53277	3.08667
H	-5.44239	-1.53400	-3.04347
H	-2.71301	-1.35531	0.21371
H	-8.04506	-0.30239	-0.04185

**Table S24:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $^{cis}[NpO_2(OH)_2(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}$ 

Np	-5.63974	-0.90506	0.00179
O	-5.85367	1.18750	-0.06899
O	-3.56933	-0.59203	-0.12607
O	-7.46371	-0.96422	0.01624
O	-5.32105	-2.69877	0.12073
O	-5.51268	-0.78477	2.51913
H	-5.48439	0.07044	2.96618
O	-5.69469	-0.98621	-2.51629
H	-6.53869	-1.14290	-2.95796
H	-4.90160	-1.36424	2.99087
H	-5.03395	-1.50405	-2.99318
H	-3.00407	-1.37269	-0.06882
H	-4.98812	1.62159	-0.10850

**Table S25:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[NpO(OH)_3(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^+$ 

Np	-5.49938	-1.07438	-0.11021
O	-5.75937	0.99191	-0.01904
O	-3.54157	-0.75917	-0.10554
O	-7.24870	-1.26772	-0.09692
O	-5.18404	-3.01835	0.55209
O	-5.55591	-0.73102	2.33372
H	-5.50848	0.17191	2.67434
O	-5.81456	-0.79479	-2.56045
H	-6.61880	-1.10845	-2.99385
H	-5.02701	-1.28930	2.91823
H	-5.09158	-0.89595	-3.19372
H	-2.91201	-1.47815	0.07673
H	-4.95948	1.53960	-0.02448
H	-5.90712	-3.63861	0.72207

**Table S26:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[Np(OH)_4(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^{2+}$ 

Np	-5.42519	-1.03048	0.09892
O	-5.72919	0.91759	0.03595
O	-3.54105	-0.72610	-0.44859
O	-7.38026	-1.31023	0.11920
O	-5.16874	-2.97964	-0.13989
O	-5.71987	-0.55610	2.50425
H	-5.73792	0.33798	2.87137
O	-5.75537	-1.00986	-2.25855
H	-6.51683	-1.43502	-2.67838
H	-5.48017	-1.16796	3.21343
H	-5.00815	-1.06215	-2.87181
H	-2.82791	-1.39139	-0.42601
H	-5.04244	1.59632	-0.10580
H	-5.83863	-3.65848	0.06722
H	-8.06608	-0.64733	0.32378

**Table S27:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[NpO_3(OH)_3]_{(aq)}^{3-}$ 

Np	-5.42404	-0.90455	0.01906
O	-5.53441	0.97164	0.00687
O	-3.45975	-0.90501	-0.08372
O	-7.73638	-0.89837	-0.03846
O	-5.52570	-2.77498	0.12142
O	-5.47088	-0.84349	2.38319
H	-5.41698	0.07981	2.64882
O	-5.56309	-0.97813	-2.37410
H	-6.50035	-0.86464	-2.56556
H	-7.98056	0.03292	-0.05447

**Table S28:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $cis[NpO_2(OH)_4]_{(aq)}^{2-}$ 

Np	-5.45248	-0.78850	-0.00432
O	-5.51054	1.08590	-0.05601
O	-3.58953	-0.97744	-0.09764
O	-7.63624	-0.83056	-0.01077
O	-5.57550	-2.97063	0.16829
O	-5.44184	-0.68711	2.26406
H	-5.42414	0.21540	2.59663
O	-5.54060	-0.94578	-2.27184
H	-6.37548	-0.60162	-2.60736
H	-8.03593	0.04109	0.07932
H	-6.50977	-3.20847	0.23600

**Table S29:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $trans[NpO_2(OH)_4]_{(aq)}^{2-}$ 

Np	-5.64364	-0.80523	0.02585
O	-5.52899	1.00299	0.07556
O	-3.38573	-0.92869	-0.07318
O	-7.90151	-0.68177	0.12488
O	-5.75828	-2.61344	-0.02387
O	-5.54558	-0.89029	2.28815
H	-5.46954	-0.01053	2.67170
O	-5.74168	-0.72015	-2.23645
H	-5.81769	-1.59993	-2.62000
H	-8.20371	0.23161	0.16003
H	-3.08359	-1.84209	-0.10830

**Table S30:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[NpO(OH)_5]_{(aq)}^-$ 

Np	-5.54511	-0.83819	0.05437
O	-5.61892	0.96398	-0.08543
O	-3.37281	-0.74536	-0.02951
O	-7.70831	-0.91989	0.11889
O	-5.44857	-2.89956	0.24935
O	-5.45948	-0.72016	2.20918
H	-5.50516	0.14443	2.63171
O	-5.60821	-1.12617	-2.08450
H	-5.86121	-0.40015	-2.66477
H	-8.17612	-0.07811	0.09012
H	-2.94388	-1.60912	0.00240
H	-5.57294	-3.39209	-0.57490

**Table S31:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[Np(OH)_6]_{(aq)}$ 

Np	-5.52193	-0.89686	-0.06107
O	-5.38026	1.15971	0.09578
O	-3.47333	-1.15519	-0.23286
O	-7.58616	-0.72044	-0.03591
O	-5.82367	-2.95035	-0.13830
O	-5.32920	-1.00612	2.00136
H	-5.48321	-0.21817	2.54219
O	-5.53588	-0.75879	-2.12994
H	-6.35968	-0.87589	-2.62357
H	-7.99151	0.13791	0.15283
H	-2.94261	-1.23825	0.57246
H	-5.07673	-3.54967	0.00137
H	-5.04196	1.72666	-0.61075

**Table S32:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[NpO_3(OH)_2(H_2O)]^{2-}_{(aq)}$ 

Np	-6.06362	-1.60759	-0.00860
O	-6.51901	-0.03718	0.85770
O	-4.33783	-1.70204	0.94897
O	-8.19659	-1.72008	-0.76237
O	-5.77247	-3.19127	-0.89920
O	-4.01972	0.56172	2.29620
H	-4.90552	0.86360	2.05062
O	-5.33447	-0.44771	-1.82124
H	-5.33798	0.50055	-1.65845
H	-8.66577	-0.93001	-0.47264
H	-4.02576	-0.32575	1.82660

**Table S33:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $cis[NpO_3(OH)_3(H_2O)]^-_{(aq)}$ 

Np	-5.53676	-0.90751	-0.10815
O	-5.51674	0.93909	-0.18717
O	-3.69922	-1.15144	-0.11002
O	-7.65685	-0.83557	0.23355
O	-5.70522	-3.03927	0.07757
O	-5.26538	-0.73393	2.47923
H	-5.79614	-0.06085	2.92321
O	-5.78017	-1.07080	-2.30505
H	-5.86532	-0.25055	-2.80004
H	-8.08045	0.01542	0.07342
H	-6.63968	-3.28850	0.10905
H	-4.35232	-0.57375	2.74859

**Table S34:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $trans[NpO_3(OH)_3(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^-$ 

Np	-5.68284	-0.79017	-0.10822
O	-5.58125	1.00013	-0.06443
O	-3.47807	-0.90452	0.02587
O	-7.87807	-0.67888	0.13607
O	-5.78065	-2.58017	-0.06095
O	-5.59181	-0.78514	2.48781
H	-5.23795	0.01864	2.88865
O	-5.74839	-0.76508	-2.31936
H	-5.79554	-1.62913	-2.74108
H	-8.22537	0.21981	0.13498
H	-3.13379	-1.80389	-0.00470
H	-5.11372	-1.51765	2.89611

**Table S35:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[NpO_2(OH)_4(H_2O)]_{(aq)}$ 

Np	-5.51424	-0.87441	-0.07983
O	-5.65262	0.90489	-0.06859
O	-3.40513	-0.68445	-0.01714
O	-7.59976	-1.09268	0.08019
O	-5.30084	-2.89129	0.04101
O	-5.47784	-0.64920	2.43430
H	-5.15404	0.18312	2.80196
O	-5.57801	-0.96122	-2.19945
H	-5.74405	-0.19826	-2.76334
H	-8.21198	-0.36696	-0.09307
H	-2.90537	-1.51135	-0.06516
H	-6.04972	-3.45714	-0.20282
H	-5.11247	-1.35496	2.98361

**Table S36:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[NpO_2(OH)_5(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^+$ 

Np	-5.57400	-0.92839	-0.03385
O	-5.54381	1.08577	-0.11024
O	-3.56729	-1.11119	-0.00336
O	-7.59025	-0.83742	0.09875
O	-5.77579	-2.91895	0.28784
O	-5.55212	-0.72717	2.39833
H	-5.19235	0.05809	2.83415
O	-5.52908	-1.10079	-2.06619
H	-5.99215	-0.69092	-2.80852
H	-8.05746	0.00125	-0.05275
H	-2.98660	-1.15873	-0.77976
H	-5.04893	-3.54832	0.15073
H	-4.81780	1.64538	-0.43042
H	-5.35976	-1.48852	2.96323

**Table S37:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $H_3O_{(aq)}^+$ 

O	-0.17411	-1.45771	0.22714
H	0.74696	-1.58807	-0.07859
H	-0.52041	-0.59421	-0.07786
H	-0.74876	-2.18866	-0.08011

**Table S38:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $H_2O_{(aq)}$ 

O	-0.17854	-1.52568	0.00000
H	0.78474	-1.48419	0.00000
H	-0.46098	-0.60380	0.00000

**Table S39:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $OH_{(aq)}^-$ 

O	-0.69144	-0.16869	0.00000
H	-1.01342	0.74054	0.00000

**Table S40:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $O_2^{2-}$ 

O	-0.26678	-1.08410	0.00000
O	1.33218	-1.19438	0.00000

**Table S41:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $O_2^{*-}$ 

O	-0.13941	-1.09289	0.00000
O	1.20481	-1.18559	0.00000

**Table S42:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $HO_2^-$ 

O	-0.35439	-1.00051	-0.07295
O	1.13213	-1.28232	0.09570
H	-0.69145	-1.64622	0.55633

**Table S43:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $NO_3^-$ 

O	1.23976	0.18942	0.00003
O	-0.45584	-1.16847	0.00003
O	-0.78390	0.97906	0.00003
N	-0.00003	-0.00001	0.00003

**Table S44:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $NO_3^{*-}$ 

O	1.21520	0.18942	0.00001
O	-0.44333	-1.14733	0.00005
O	-0.77152	0.95794	0.00002
N	-0.00035	-0.00003	0.00003

**Table S45:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $CO_3^{2-}$ 

C	-0.45247	-0.48135	-2.21460
O	0.19389	0.64234	-2.21460
O	0.19370	-1.60513	-2.21460

O	-1.74951	-0.48125	-2.21460
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**Table S46:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $\text{Co}_3^{(aq)}{}^{-*}$

C	-0.45359	-0.48134	-2.21460
O	0.18472	0.61655	-2.21460
O	0.17803	-1.58310	-2.21460
O	-1.72355	-0.47751	-2.21460

**Table S47:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}_{(aq)}$

Co	-1.73560	0.93209	-0.00567
N	-1.75904	0.91786	2.02882
H	-2.43523	0.26431	2.43142
H	-0.86739	0.66246	2.45993
N	-1.71230	0.94640	-2.04017
H	-2.60362	1.20322	-2.47114
H	-1.03518	1.59896	-2.44281
N	-1.77303	-1.10208	-0.03237
H	-2.44202	-1.49619	-0.69839
H	-0.87913	-1.53076	-0.28460
N	-3.76966	0.98192	-0.01662
H	-4.18393	1.23594	0.88355
H	-4.16477	1.65461	-0.67829
N	-1.69797	2.96624	0.02092
H	-1.03019	3.36029	0.68818
H	-1.45068	3.39601	-0.87367
N	0.29844	0.88222	0.00538
H	0.74162	1.77137	0.24855
H	0.69344	0.20928	0.66687
H	0.71280	0.62849	-0.89482
H	-4.21285	0.09268	-0.25942
H	-2.01850	-1.53201	0.86264
H	-1.99573	1.82046	2.44803
H	-2.59227	3.39514	0.27136
H	-1.47707	0.04347	-2.45950

**Table S48:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $[Co(NH_3)_6Cl]^{2+}_{(aq)}$ 

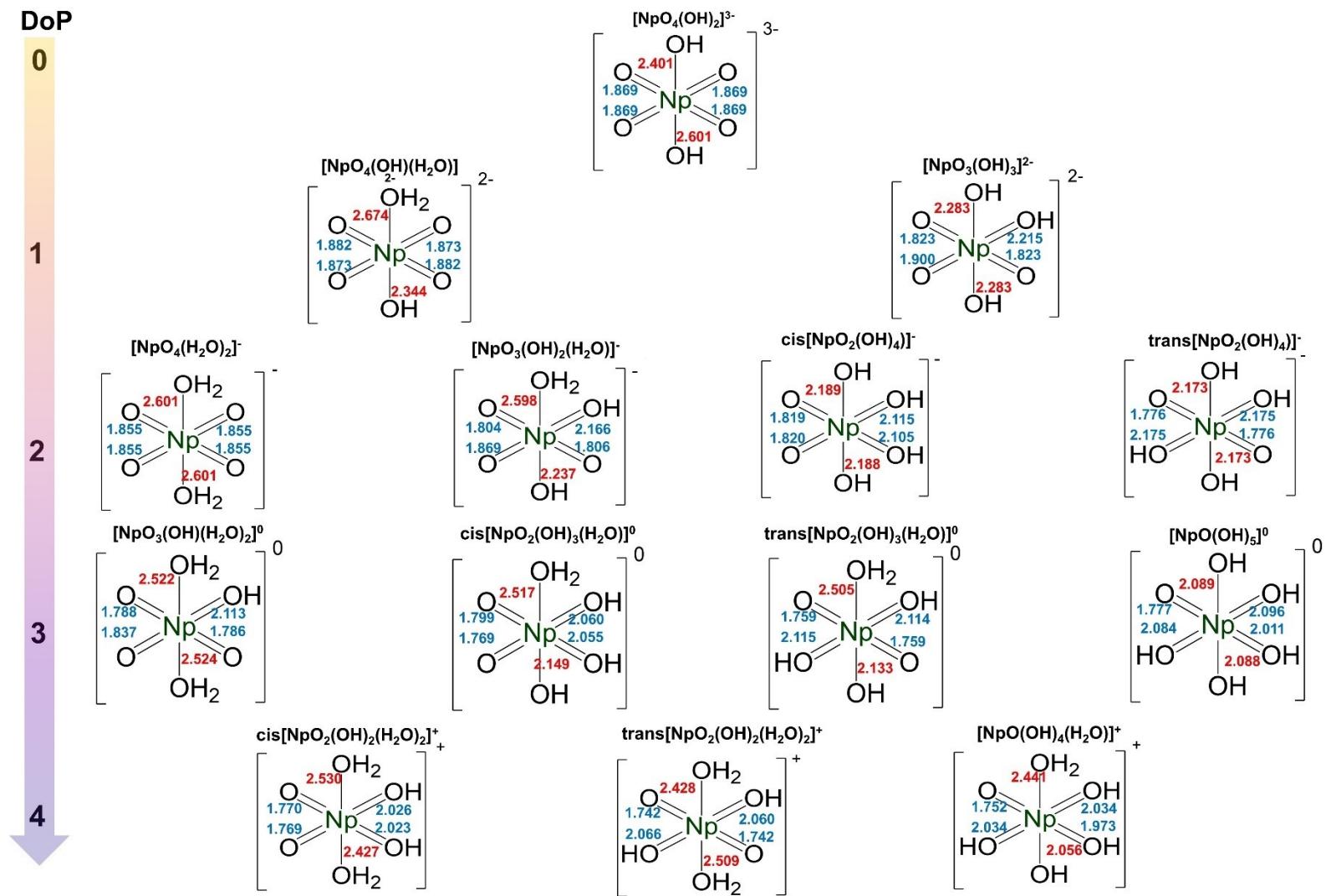
Co	-1.75576	0.98169	-0.00595
N	-1.77837	0.89899	2.00823
H	-2.09406	-0.04414	2.24442
H	-0.86702	0.99879	2.45391
N	-1.75744	0.90614	-2.02060
H	-2.61195	1.23061	-2.47137
H	-0.99858	1.38960	-2.49950
N	-3.77313	0.98979	-0.01186
H	-4.21231	1.27032	0.86418
H	-4.23035	1.54279	-0.73593
N	-1.64490	3.03698	-0.00596
H	-1.24224	3.42111	0.84855
H	-1.07213	3.40968	-0.76278
N	0.25137	0.80641	0.01458
H	0.76685	1.44793	0.61640
H	0.44591	-0.14319	0.33862
H	0.69554	0.87100	-0.90043
H	-4.04681	0.01628	-0.16368
H	-2.39355	1.55444	2.48929
H	-2.55034	3.49544	-0.10431
H	-1.67386	-0.08582	-2.25451
Cl	-1.85370	-1.24505	-0.00726

**Table S49:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $cis[Co(NH_3)_6Cl_2]^+_{(aq)}$ 

Co	-1.75918	0.98428	-0.02596
N	-1.76373	0.85647	-2.05880
H	-2.57197	1.25713	-2.52789
H	-0.94159	1.22552	-2.52967
N	-3.75374	0.93620	0.06887
H	-3.98907	1.15924	1.03545
H	-4.31867	1.51785	-0.54439
N	-1.71956	3.02096	-0.04511
H	-1.71209	3.25153	0.94990
H	-0.89709	3.44622	-0.46527
N	0.23221	0.85909	0.06505
H	0.47781	1.07313	1.03110
H	0.45308	-0.12519	-0.08271
H	0.81813	1.41816	-0.54951
H	-4.01292	-0.03869	-0.07882
H	-2.52749	3.47800	-0.46010
H	-1.78344	-0.15232	-2.21760
Cl	-1.80259	-1.26157	-0.02994
Cl	-1.75371	1.15108	2.21420

**Table S50:** DFT optimized XYZ coordinates of  $trans[Co(NH_3)_6Cl_2]_{(aq)}^+$

Co	-1.74633	0.91906	-0.00851
N	-1.73801	0.94223	1.98484
H	-2.25226	0.14144	2.34668
H	-0.80627	0.88762	2.38766
N	-1.75465	0.89589	-2.00186
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H	-1.24042	1.69669	-2.36371
N	-3.73533	1.05204	-0.00202
H	-4.13686	1.08920	0.93114
H	-4.03087	1.90468	-0.47350
N	0.24267	0.78608	-0.01501
H	0.65000	1.60188	0.43795
H	0.53821	-0.06658	0.45643
H	0.64420	0.74898	-0.94817
H	-4.14266	0.23623	-0.45493
H	-2.14563	1.81012	2.32719
H	-1.34701	0.02800	-2.34421
Cl	-1.89625	-1.32632	0.01804
Cl	-1.59641	3.16444	-0.03507



**Figure S1:** DFT optimized bond lengths. Here DoP stands for Degree of Protonation

## 1.2 Np(VII) Protonation reactions and their energetics.

**Table S51:** Protonation reactions of Np(VII) complexes

$\Delta$ DoP	Reaction	$\Delta G$ (kJ/mol)
0→1	$[NpO_4(OH)_2]_{(aq)}^{3-} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO_4(OH)(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{2-} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-326.23
0→1	$[NpO_4(OH)_2]_{(aq)}^{3-} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO_3(OH)_3]_{(aq)}^{2-} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-291.20
1→2	$[NpO_4(OH)(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{2-} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO_4(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^- + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-260.60
1→2	$[NpO_4(OH)(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{2-} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO_3(OH)_2(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^- + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-267.18
1→2	$[NpO_3(OH)_3]_{(aq)}^{2-} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow cis[NpO_2(OH)_4]_{(aq)}^- + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-182.54
1→2	$[NpO_3(OH)_3]_{(aq)}^{2-} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow trans[NpO_2(OH)_4]_{(aq)}^- + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-252.16
2→3	$[NpO_4(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^- + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO_3(OH)(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-211.69
2→3	$[NpO_3(OH)_2(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^- + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow cis[NpO_3(OH)_3(H_2O)]_{(aq)} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-120.87
2→3	$[NpO_3(OH)_2(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^- + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow trans[NpO_3(OH)_3(H_2O)]_{(aq)} ++ H_2O_{(aq)}$	-178.56
2→3	$cis[NpO_2(OH)_4]_{(aq)}^- + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO(OH)_5]_{(aq)} ++ H_2O_{(aq)}$	-127.16
2→3	$trans[NpO_2(OH)_4]_{(aq)}^- + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO(OH)_5]_{(aq)} ++ H_2O_{(aq)}$	-59.15
3→4	$[NpO_3(OH)(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow cis[NpO_2(OH)_2(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^+ + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-47.43
3→4	$[NpO_3(OH)(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow trans[NpO_2(OH)_2(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^+ + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-89.63
3→4	$cis[NpO_2(OH)_3(H_2O)]_{(aq)} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO(OH)_4(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^+ + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-45.87
3→4	$trans[NpO_2(OH)_3(H_2O)]_{(aq)} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO(OH)_4(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^+ + H_2O_{(aq)}$	10.97
3→4	$[NpO(OH)_5]_{(aq)} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [Np(OH)_6]_{(aq)}^+ ++ H_2O_{(aq)}$	2.67
4→5	$cis[NpO_2(OH)_2(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^+ + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO(OH)_3(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^{2+} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	52.28
4→5	$trans[NpO_2(OH)_2(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^+ + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO(OH)_3(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^{2+} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	109.82
4→5	$[NpO_2(OH)_4(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^+ + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO(OH)_5(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{2+} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	109.83
4→5	$[Np(OH)_6]_{(aq)}^+ + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO(OH)_5(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{2+} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	16.60
5→6	$[NpO(OH)_3(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^{2+} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [Np(OH)_4(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^{3+} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	337.20
5→6	$[NpO(OH)_5(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{2+} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [Np(OH)_4(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^{3+} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	851.57

**Table S52:** Protonation reactions of Np(VI) complexes

<b>Δ DoP</b>	<b>Reaction</b>	<b>ΔG (kJ/mol)</b>
0→1	$[NpO_4(OH)_2]_{(aq)}^{4-} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO_4(OH)(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{3-} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-427.37
0→1	$[NpO_4(OH)_2]_{(aq)}^{4-} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO_3(OH)_3]_{(aq)}^{3-} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-366.78
1→2	$[NpO_4(OH)(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{3-} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO_4(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^{2-} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-310.95
1→2	$[NpO_4(OH)(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{3-} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO_3(OH)_2(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{2-} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-375.76
1→2	$[NpO_3(OH)_3]_{(aq)}^{3-} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow cis[NpO_2(OH)_4]_{(aq)}^{2-} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-306.38
1→2	$[NpO_3(OH)_3]_{(aq)}^{3-} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow trans[NpO_2(OH)_4]_{(aq)}^{2-} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-383.24
2→3	$[NpO_4(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^{2-} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO_3(OH)(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^{-} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-286.71
2→3	$[NpO_3(OH)_2(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{2-} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow cis[NpO_3(OH)_3(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{-} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-228.59
2→3	$[NpO_3(OH)_2(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{2-} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow trans[NpO_3(OH)_3(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{-} ++ H_2O_{(aq)}$	-300.16
2→3	$cis[NpO_2(OH)_4]_{(aq)}^{2-} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO(OH)_5]_{(aq)}^{-} ++ H_2O_{(aq)}$	-121.35
2→3	$trans[NpO_2(OH)_4]_{(aq)}^{2-} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO(OH)_5]_{(aq)}^{-} ++ H_2O_{(aq)}$	-44.48
3→4	$[NpO_3(OH)(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^{-} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow cis[NpO_2(OH)_2(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-207.00
3→4	$[NpO_3(OH)(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^{-} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow trans[NpO_2(OH)_2(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-268.26
3→4	$cis[NpO_2(OH)_3(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{-} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO(OH)_4(H_2O)]_{(aq)} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-188.61
3→4	$trans[NpO_2(OH)_3(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{-} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO(OH)_4(H_2O)]_{(aq)} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-117.04
3→4	$[NpO(OH)_5]_{(aq)}^{-} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [Np(OH)_6]_{(aq)} ++ H_2O_{(aq)}$	-265.18
4→5	$cis[NpO_2(OH)_2(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO(OH)_3(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^+ + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-94.05
4→5	$trans[NpO_2(OH)_2(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO(OH)_3(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^+ + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-52.93
4→5	$[NpO_2(OH)_4(H_2O)]_{(aq)} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO(OH)_5(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^+ + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-52.93
4→5	$[Np(OH)_6]_{(aq)} + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [NpO(OH)_5(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^+ + H_2O_{(aq)}$	-92.39
5→6	$[NpO(OH)_3(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^+ + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [Np(OH)_4(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^{2+} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	12.74
5→6	$[NpO(OH)_5(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^+ + H_3O_{(aq)}^+ \rightarrow [Np(OH)_4(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^{2+} + H_2O_{(aq)}$	541.57

### 1.3 Influence of protonation on reduction of Np(VII)

**Table S53:** Free energy changes associated with the reduction of Np(VII) to corresponding Np(VI) compounds with different reducing agents.

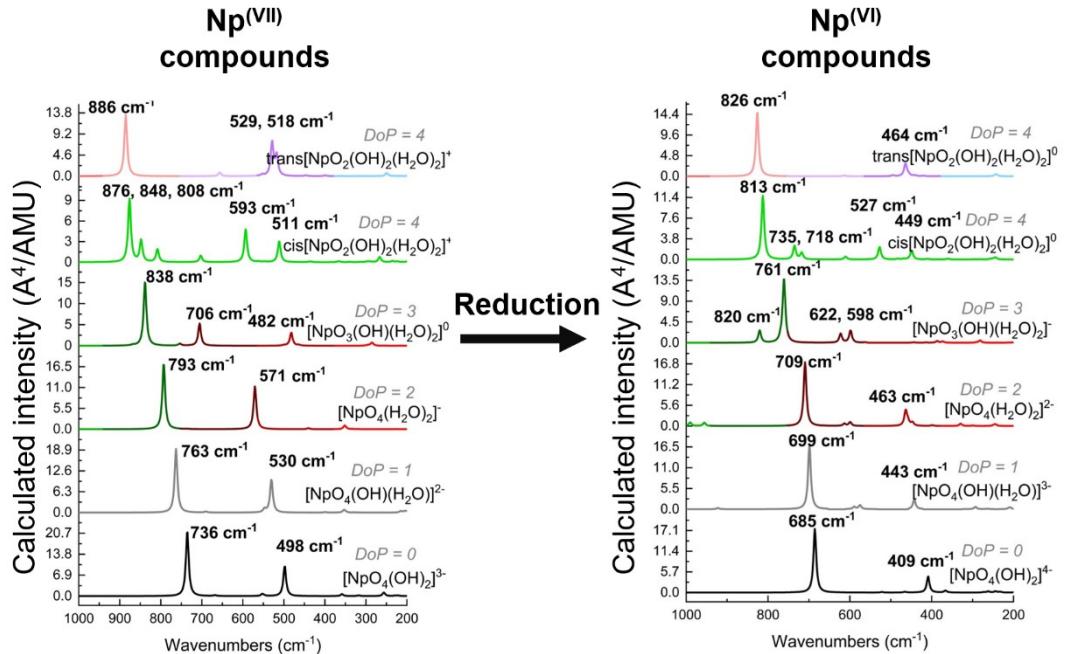
Np(VII) reduction half reaction	Reaction ΔG (kJ/mol)					
	O <sub>2</sub> <sup>2-</sup> <sub>(aq)</sub>	H O <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup> <sub>(aq)</sub>	O <sub>2</sub> <sup>-*</sup> <sub>(aq)</sub>	CO <sub>3</sub> <sup>2-</sup> <sub>(aq)</sub>	Cl <sup>-</sup> <sub>(aq)</sub>	NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> <sub>(aq)</sub>
I	-311.44	-124.84	-218.86	384.33	381.76	377.75
II	-384.72	-198.12	-292.13	311.05	308.49	304.47
III	-412.58	-225.98	-320.00	283.19	280.62	276.61
IV	-435.06	-248.47	-342.48	260.70	258.14	254.12
V	-493.29	-306.69	-400.71	202.48	199.91	195.90
VI	-536.42	-349.82	-451.08	159.35	156.78	152.77
VII	-543.66	-357.06	-451.08	152.11	149.54	145.53
VIII	-510.14	-323.54	-417.55	185.63	183.07	179.05
IX	-600.35	-413.75	-507.76	95.42	92.86	88.84
X	-615.08	-428.48	-522.50	80.69	78.12	74.11
XI	-529.00	-342.40	-436.42	166.77	164.20	160.19
XII	-743.08	-556.49	-650.50	-47.32	-49.88	-53.90
XIII	-669.71	-483.11	-577.13	26.06	23.49	19.48
XIV	-688.76	-502.16	-596.18	7.00	4.44	0.43

**Table S54:** Spin densities and oxidation states of Np centers in Np(VI) and Np(VII) complexes.

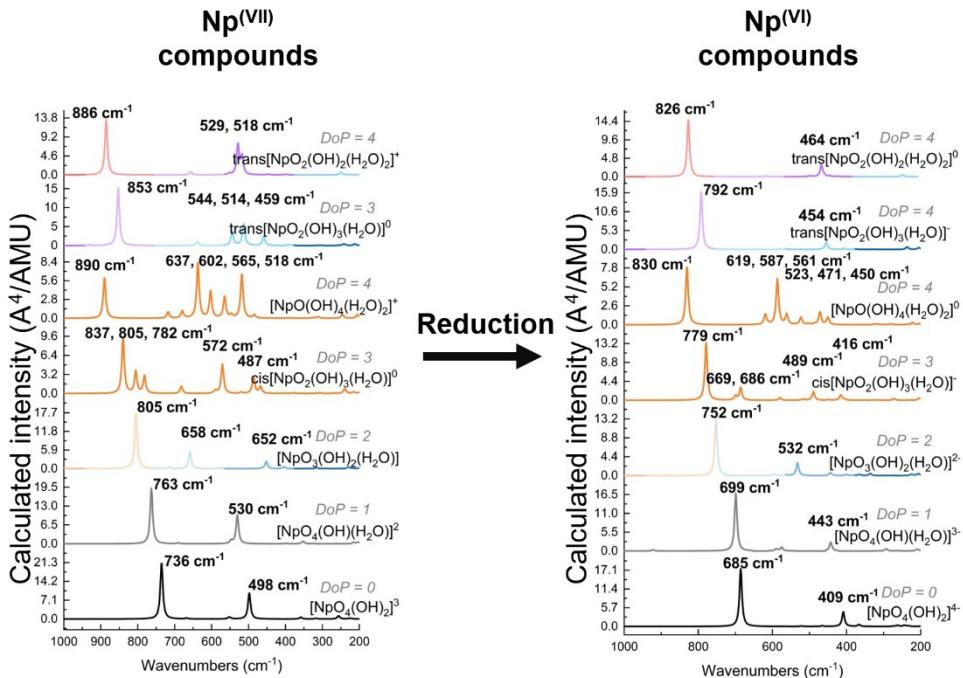
Compound	Np Oxidation state	Np Spin Density
[NpO <sub>4</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> ] <sub>(aq)</sub> <sup>3-</sup>	VII	0.000
[NpO <sub>4</sub> (OH)(H <sub>2</sub> O)] <sub>(aq)</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	VII	0.000
[NpO <sub>3</sub> (OH) <sub>3</sub> ] <sub>(aq)</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	VII	0.000
[NpO <sub>4</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ] <sub>(aq)</sub> <sup>-</sup>	VII	0.000
[NpO <sub>3</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O)] <sub>(aq)</sub> <sup>-</sup>	VII	0.000
cis[NpO <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>4</sub> ] <sub>(aq)</sub> <sup>-</sup>	VII	0.000
trans[NpO <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>4</sub> ] <sub>(aq)</sub> <sup>-</sup>	VII	0.000
[NpO <sub>3</sub> (OH)(H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ] <sub>(aq)</sub>	VII	0.000
cis[NpO <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>3</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O)] <sub>(aq)</sub>	VII	0.000
trans[NpO <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>3</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O)] <sub>(aq)</sub>	VII	0.000
[NpO(OH) <sub>5</sub> ] <sub>(aq)</sub> + H <sub>3</sub> O <sub>(aq)</sub> <sup>+</sup>	VII	0.000
cis[NpO <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ] <sub>(aq)</sub> <sup>+</sup>	VII	0.000
trans[NpO <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ] <sub>(aq)</sub> <sup>+</sup>	VII	0.000
[NpO <sub>2</sub> (OH) <sub>4</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O)] <sub>(aq)</sub> <sup>+</sup>	VII	0.000
[Np(OH) <sub>6</sub> ] <sub>(aq)</sub> <sup>+</sup>	VII	0.000
[NpO(OH) <sub>3</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ] <sub>(aq)</sub> <sup>2+</sup>	VII	0.000
[NpO(OH) <sub>5</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O)] <sub>(aq)</sub> <sup>2+</sup>	VII	0.000

$[Np(OH)_4(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^{3+}$	VII	0.000
$[NpO_4(OH)_2]_{(aq)}^{4-}$	VI	1.145
$[NpO_4(OH)(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{3-}$	VI	1.189
$[NpO_3(OH)_3]_{(aq)}^{3-}$	VI	1.132
$[NpO_4(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^{2-}$	VI	1.215
$[NpO_3(OH)_2(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{2-}$	VI	1.167
$cis[NpO_2(OH)_4]_{(aq)}^{2-}$	VI	1.121
$trans[NpO_2(OH)_4]_{(aq)}^{2-}$	VI	1.198
$[NpO_3(OH)(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^{-}$	VI	1.154
$cis[NpO_2(OH)_3(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{-}$	VI	1.178
$trans[NpO_2(OH)_3(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{-}$	VI	1.139
$[NpO(OH)_5]_{(aq)}^{-}$	VI	1.178
$cis[NpO_2(OH)_2(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}$	VI	1.139
$trans[NpO_2(OH)_2(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}$	VI	1.125
$[NpO_2(OH)_4(H_2O)]_{(aq)}$	VI	1.192
$[Np(OH)_6]_{(aq)}$	VI	1.147
$[NpO(OH)_3(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^{+}$	VI	1.203
$[NpO(OH)_5(H_2O)]_{(aq)}^{+}$	VI	1.134
$[Np(OH)_4(H_2O)_2]_{(aq)}^{+}$	VI	1.148

## 1.4 Prediction of Raman spectra

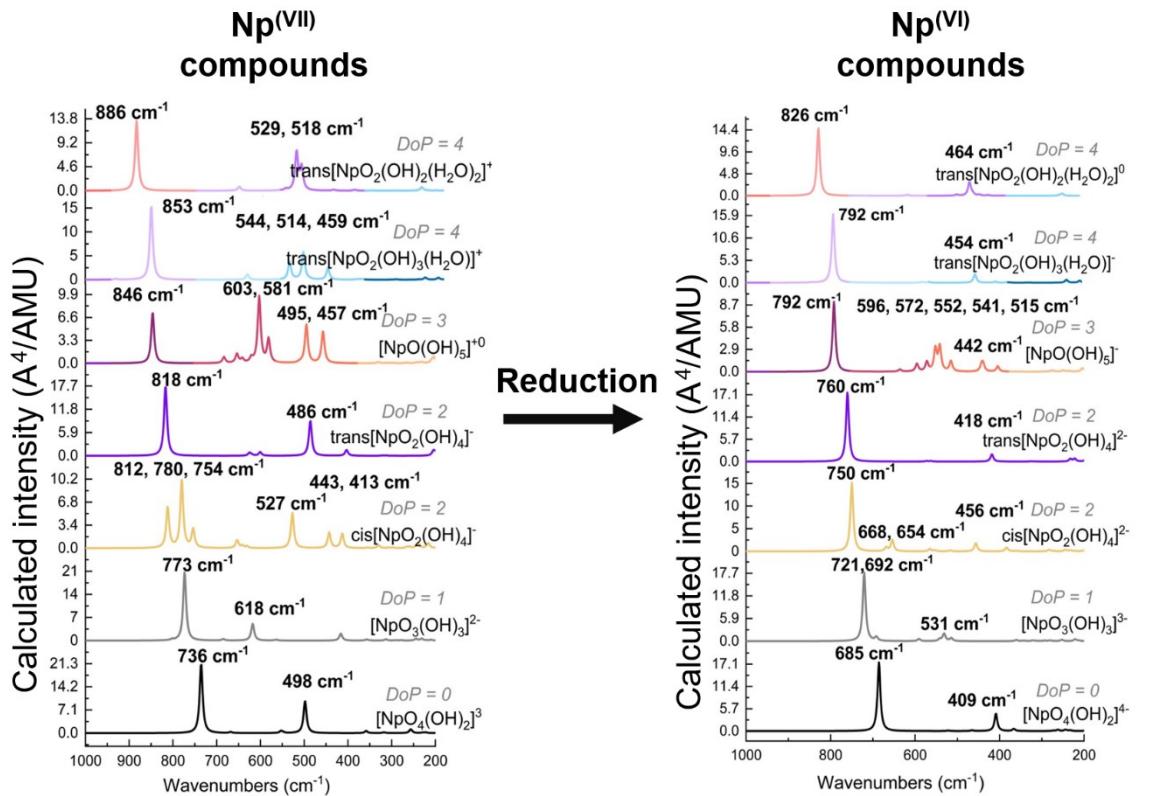


**Figure S2:** Predicted Raman spectra of Np(VII) and corresponding Np(VI) compounds in protonation path 1 and 2. Here DoP stands for Degree of Protonation. The color of each line



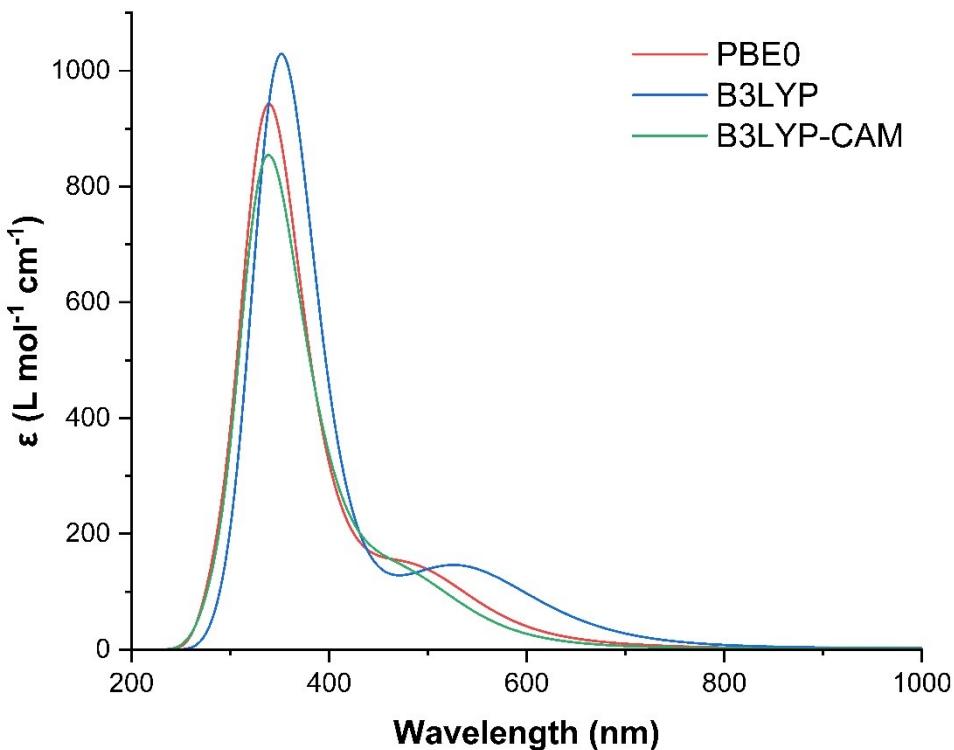
corresponds to the protonation path.

**Figure S3:** Predicted Raman spectra of Np(VII) and corresponding Np(VI) compounds in protonation path 3 and 4. Here DoP stands for Degree of Protonation. The color of each line corresponds to the protonation path.



**Figure S4:** Predicted Raman spectra of Np(VII) and corresponding Np(VI) compounds in protonation path 5 and 6. Here DoP stands for Degree of Protonation. The color of each line corresponds to the protonation path.

## 1.5 Benchmarking TD-DFT calculations



**Figure S5:** Simulated spectra of  $[NpO_4(OH)_2]^{3-}$  (*aq*) with TD-DFT using different functionals.

## 1.6 Choice of the functional for DFT calculations

In this study, the B3LYP functional was employed for the computational analysis of actinide systems, with a specific focus on Np(V-VII) compounds. The choice of B3LYP is grounded in its extensive and successful application within the computational chemistry community, particularly for actinide elements. B3LYP has demonstrated consistent accuracy in predicting geometries, electronic structures, bonding characteristics, vibrational spectroscopy, and excited state properties, making it a reliable choice for our investigations.

Previous work within our research group has shown that the B3LYP functional provides excellent agreement with experimental data, particularly when predicting the geometry and Raman features of neptunium compounds across various oxidation states (V-VII). For instance, our studies have confirmed that B3LYP closely matches experimental values, as evidenced by the accurate reproduction of vibrational frequencies and bond distances in these complex systems.<sup>1-5</sup>

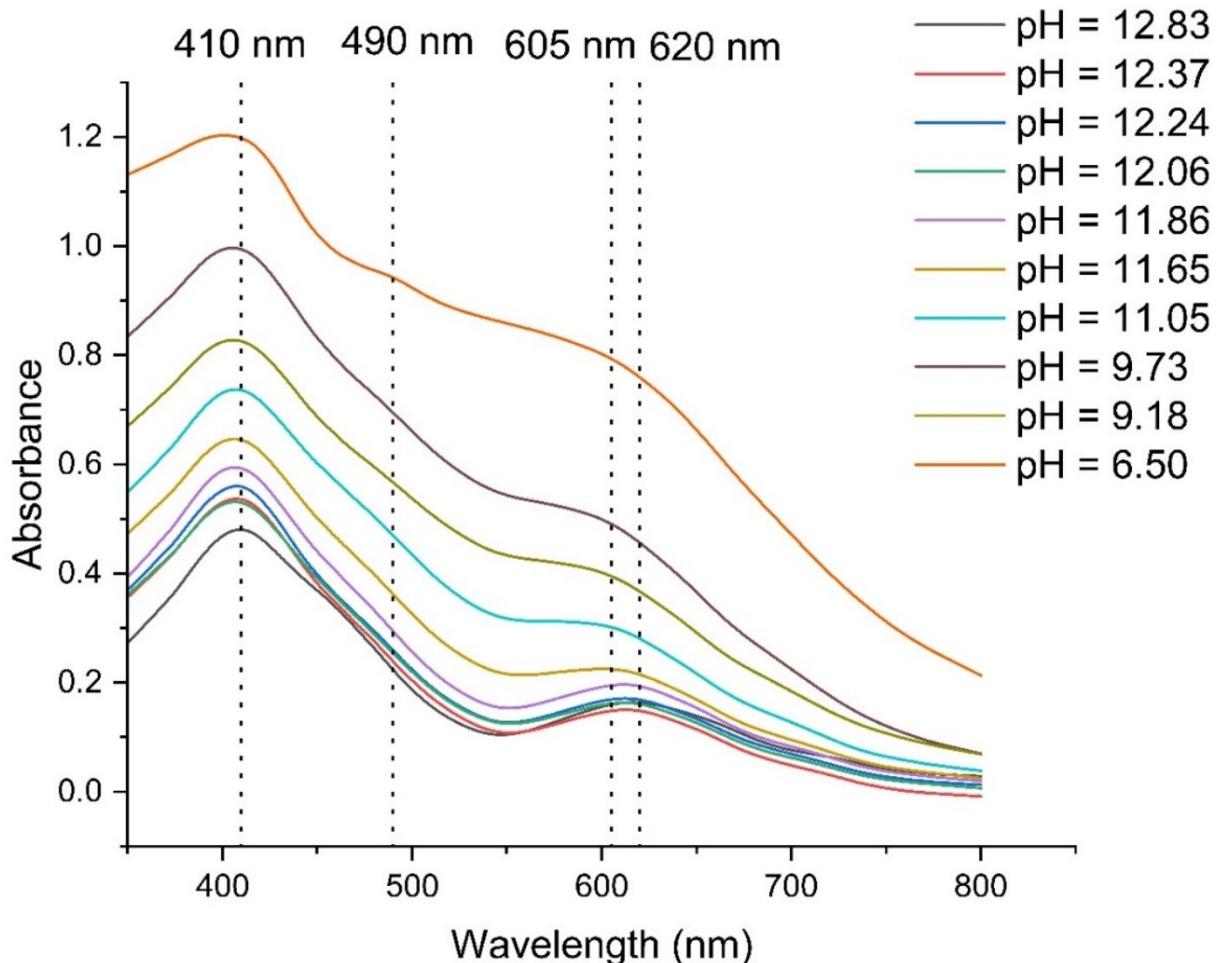
The broader applicability of B3LYP within actinide chemistry is also supported by its widespread use in the field. Kovács *et al.* have conducted a comprehensive review of computational methods in actinide chemistry, highlighting that B3LYP is particularly effective for calculating An=O bond distances, vibrational features, dissociation energies, ionization energies, and electronic spectra.<sup>6</sup> Furthermore, numerous studies have successfully utilized B3LYP in

analyzing reaction mechanisms<sup>7, 8</sup> and vibrational spectroscopy<sup>9, 10</sup> of actinide complexes, further validating its robustness.

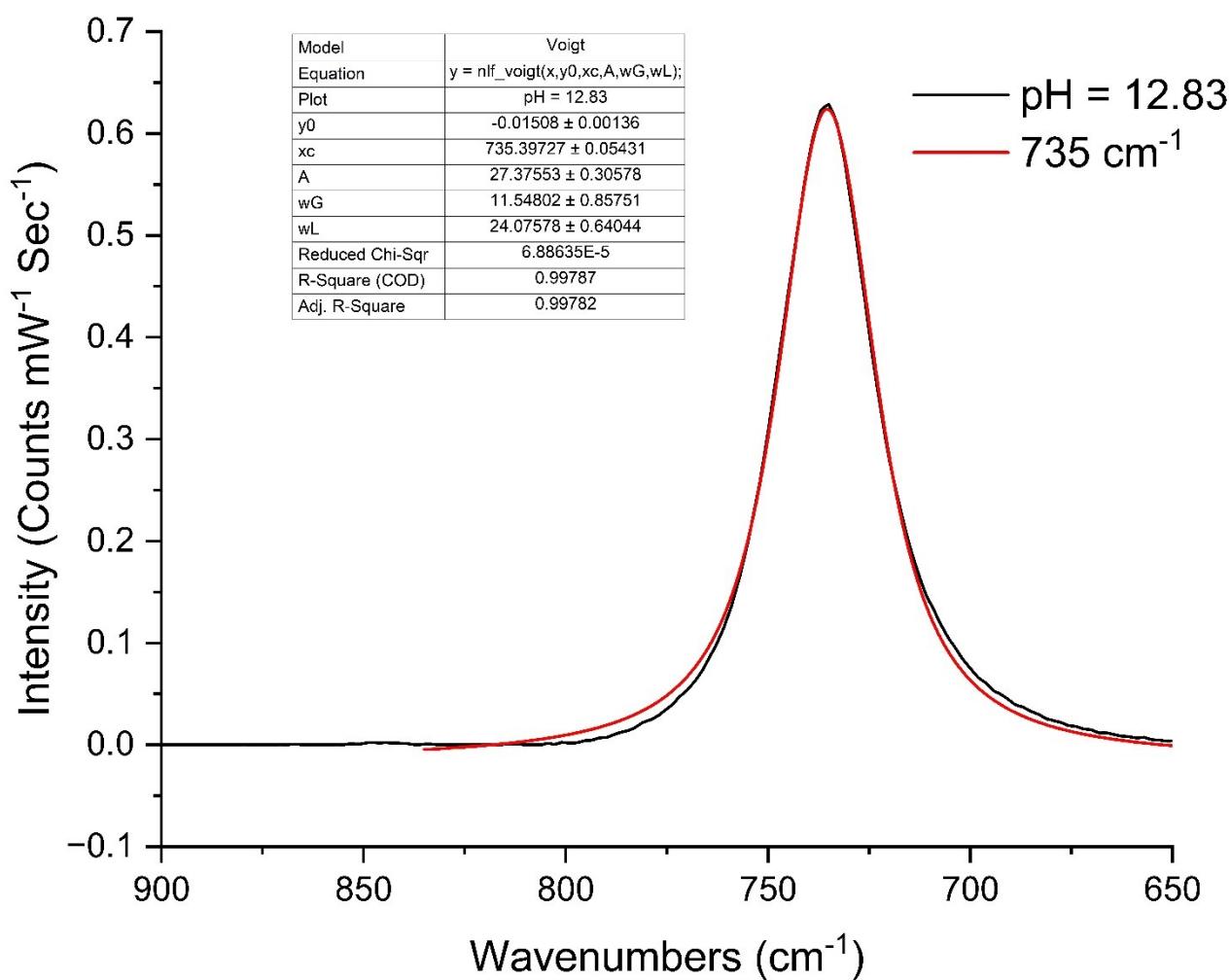
In the context of TDDFT calculations, which are essential for exploring excited-state properties, Tecmer *et al.* have evaluated the performance of various functionals and concluded that B3LYP is suitable for (semi)quantitative or qualitative analyses.<sup>11</sup> While CAM-B3LYP has been shown to yield optimal results for predicting the UV-Vis spectra of UO<sub>2</sub><sup>2+</sup>,<sup>11</sup> our benchmarking study revealed that B3LYP provided the best agreement with experimental observations when simulating the spectra of [NpO<sub>4</sub>(OH)<sub>2</sub>]<sup>3-</sup>. Specifically, B3LYP most accurately reproduced the wavelength corresponding to peak maxima, the separation between spectral features, and the overall shape of the spectrum (Figures S5 and S6). This outcome strongly supports our selection of B3LYP for TDDFT calculations in this study. The reliability of B3LYP in predicting electric and magnetic properties of actinide systems is further verified by previous research by Su *et al.*,<sup>12</sup> Gendron *et al.*,<sup>13</sup> Heaven *et al.*,<sup>14</sup> and Hu *et al.*,<sup>15</sup> who have demonstrated its effectiveness across a range of actinide compounds. These findings collectively affirm the robustness and versatility of B3LYP as a functional in the computational study of actinide chemistry.

## 2. Experimental evidence of Np(VII) protonation

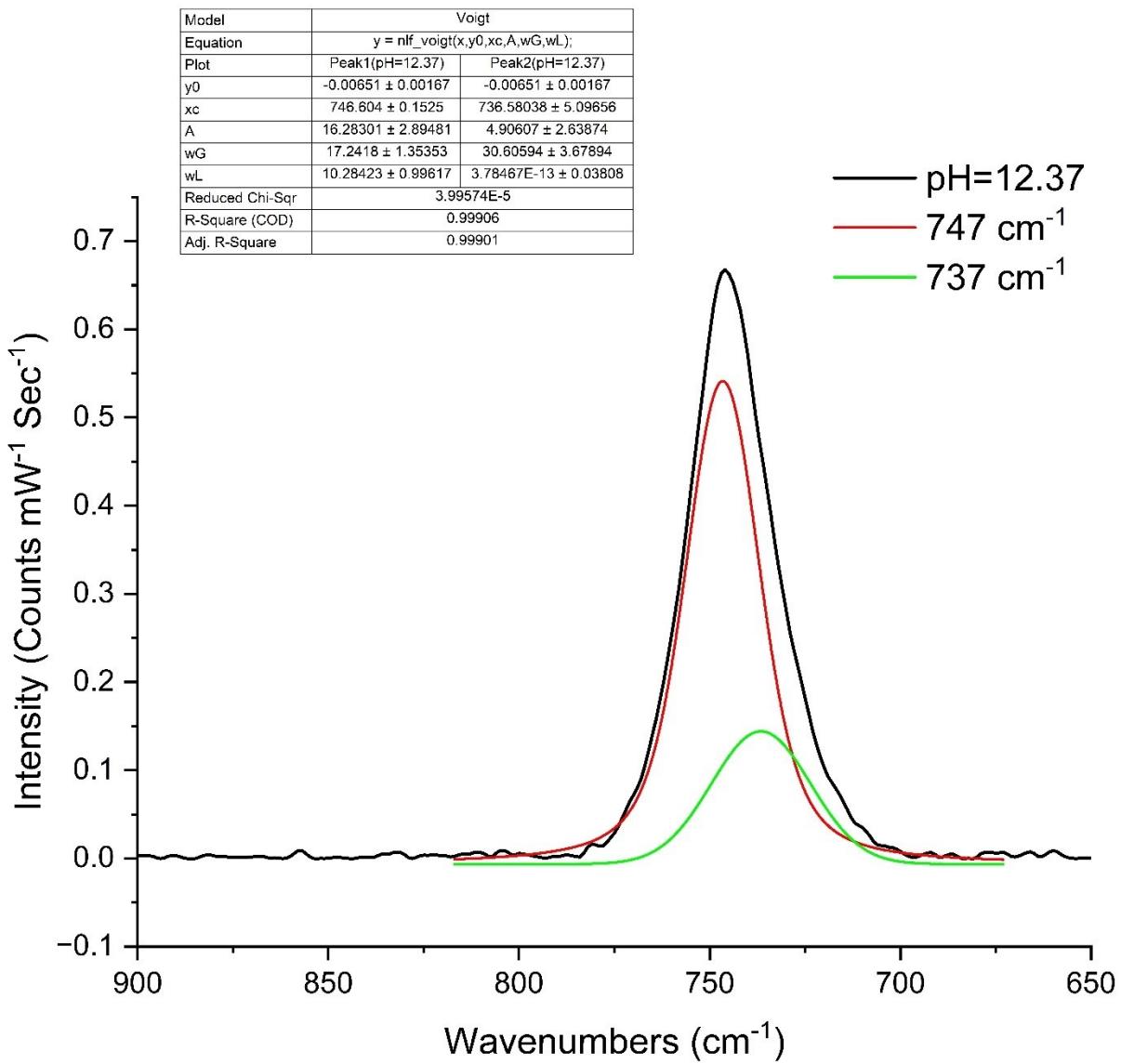
### 2.1 Titration studies of Np(VII) solutions



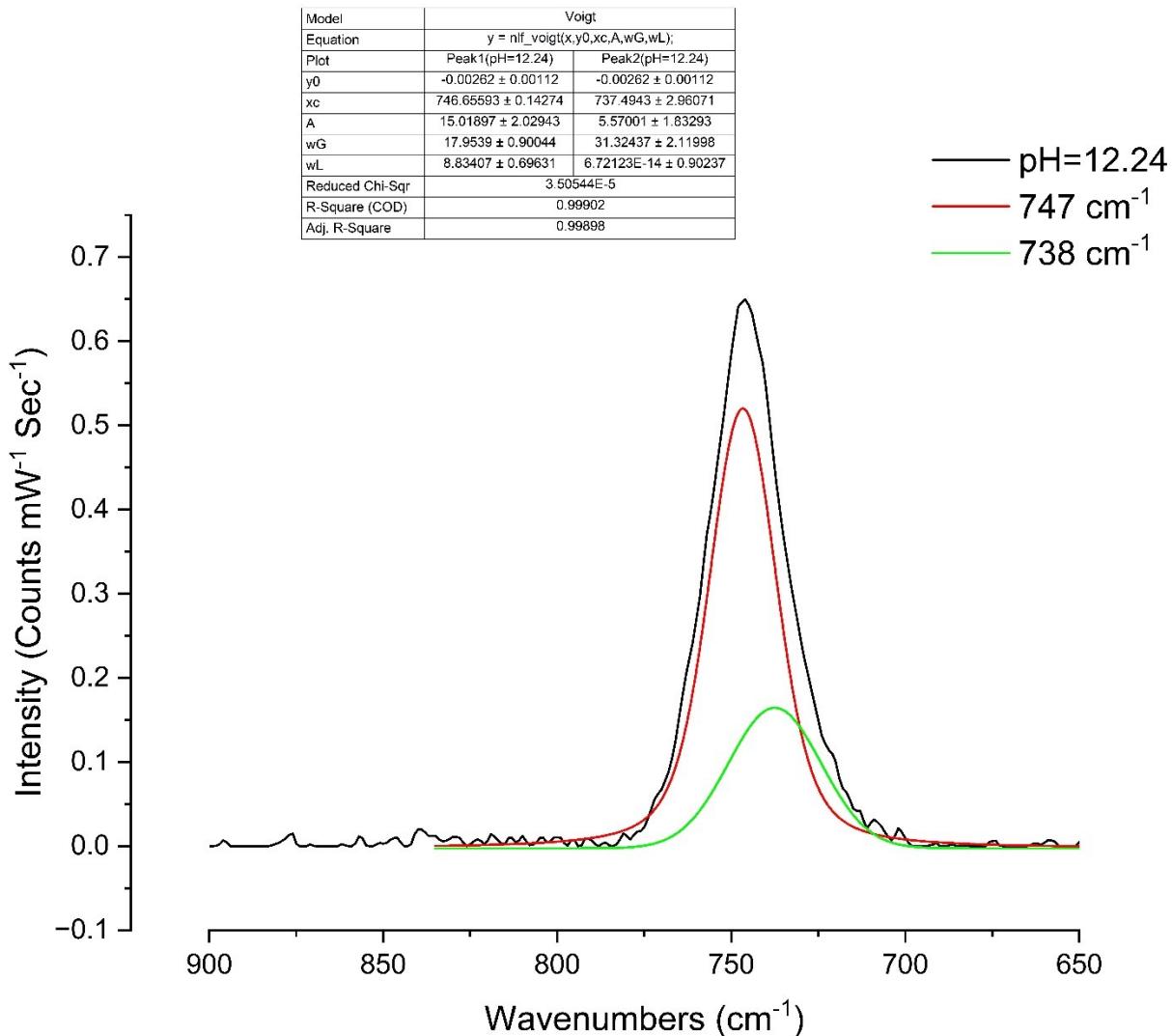
**Figure S6:** Stacked UV-Vis spectra at each pH value of the titrations. Here 410 nm and 620 nm correspond to the typical absorption bands of  $[NpO_4(OH)_2]^{3-}_{(aq)}$ .



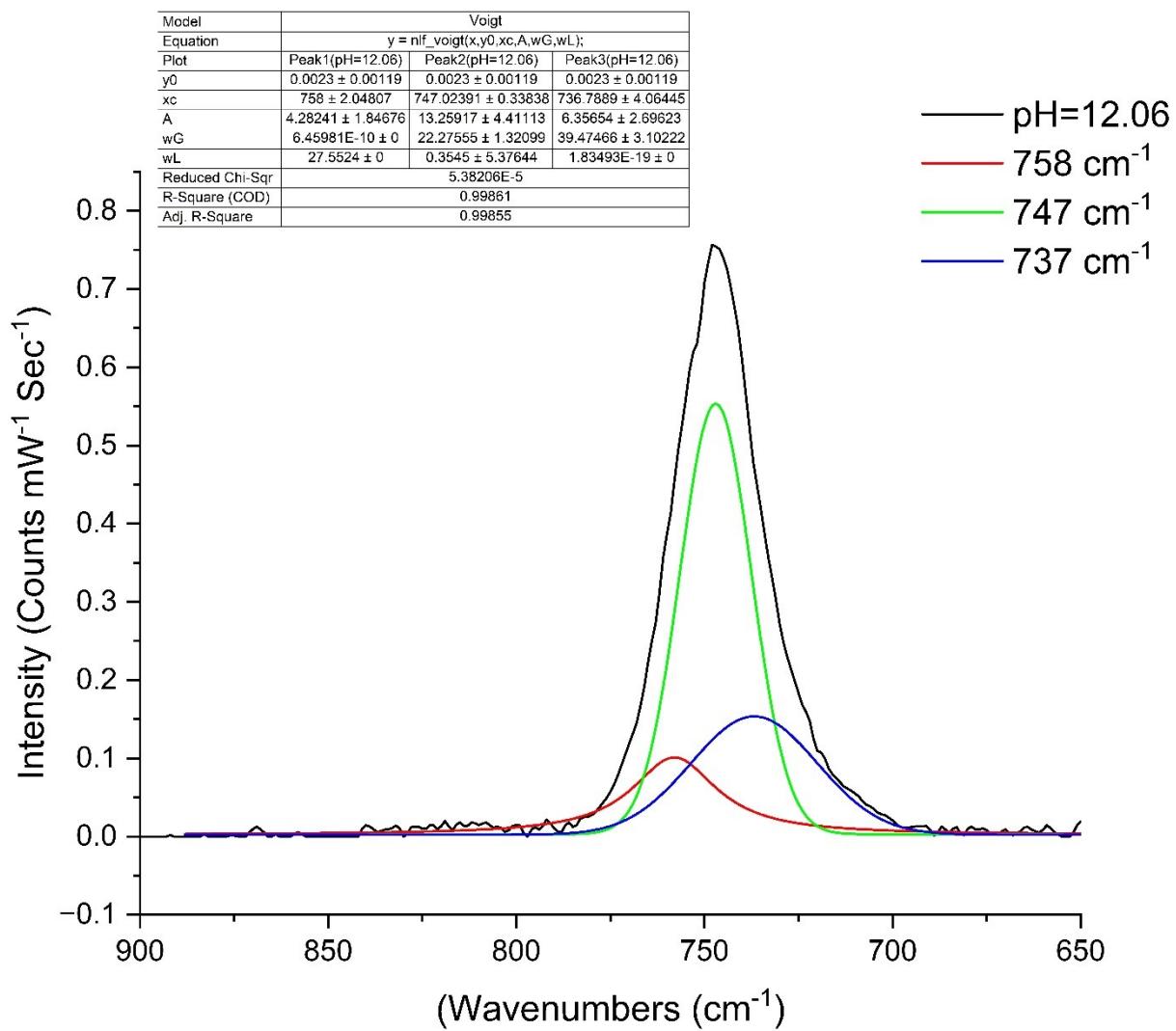
**Figure S7:** Solution Raman spectra of pH 12.83 solution with fitting parameters in the spectral window of 900-650  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .



**Figure S8:** Solution Raman spectra of pH 12.37 solution with fitting parameters in the spectral window of 900-650  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

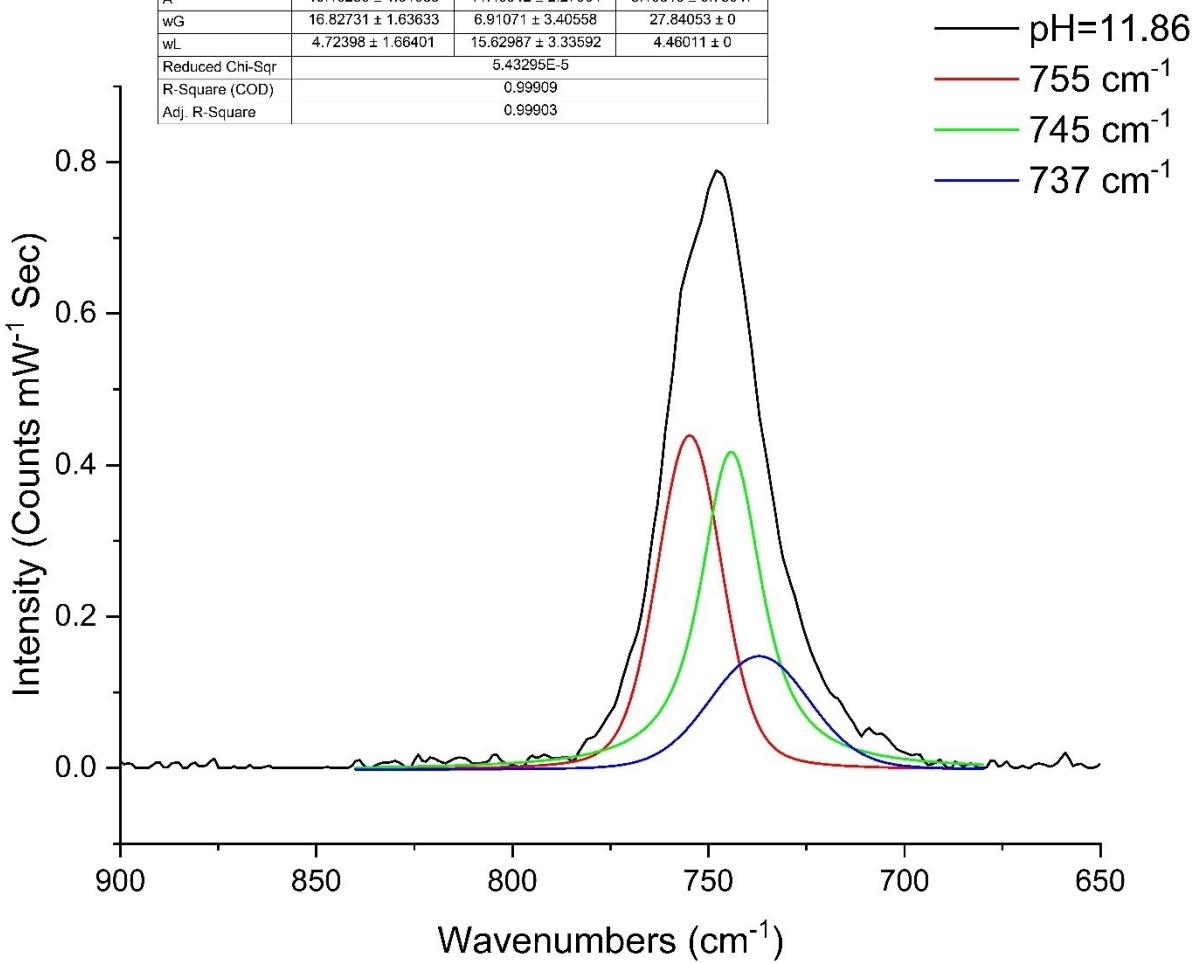


**Figure S9:** Solution Raman spectra of pH 12.24 solution with fitting parameters in the spectral window of 900-650 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



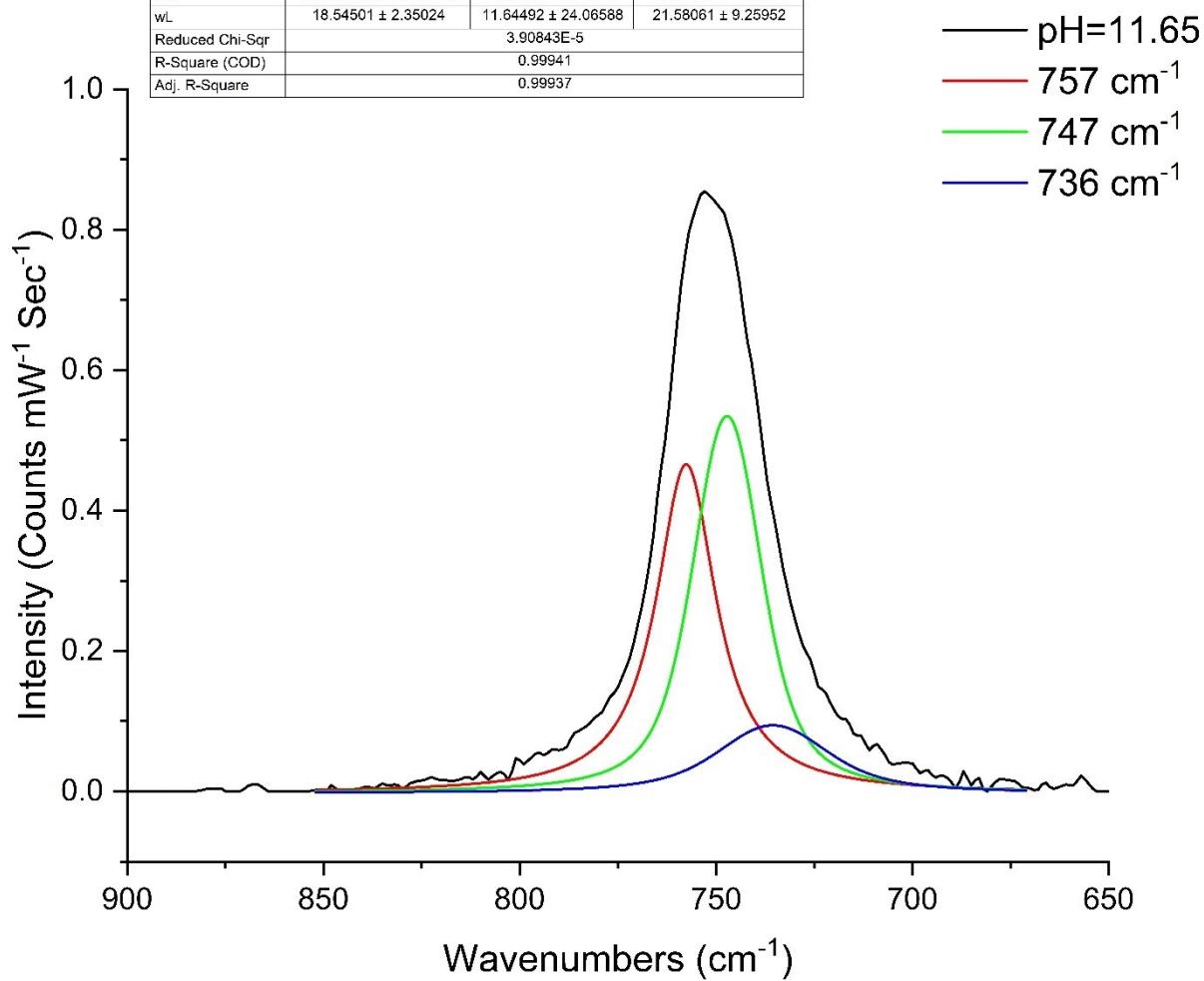
**Figure S10:** Solution Raman spectra of pH 12.06 solution with fitting parameters in the spectral window of 900-650 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

Model	Voigt		
Equation	$y = nlf\_voigt(x,y0,xc,A,wG,wL);$		
Plot	Peak1( $\text{pH}=11.86$ )	Peak2( $\text{pH}=11.86$ )	Peak3( $\text{pH}=11.86$ )
$y0$	$-0.00241 \pm 0.00186$	$-0.00241 \pm 0.00186$	$-0.00241 \pm 0.00186$
$xc$	$754.79969 \pm 0.92816$	$744.19113 \pm 0.58032$	$736.9916 \pm 1.28721$
$A$	$10.10259 \pm 1.51689$	$11.49912 \pm 2.27904$	$5.13515 \pm 0.75047$
$wG$	$16.82731 \pm 1.63633$	$6.91071 \pm 3.40558$	$27.84053 \pm 0$
$wL$	$4.72398 \pm 1.66401$	$15.62987 \pm 3.33592$	$4.46011 \pm 0$
Reduced Chi-Sqr	$5.43295E-5$		
R-Square (COD)	0.99909		
Adj. R-Square	0.99903		



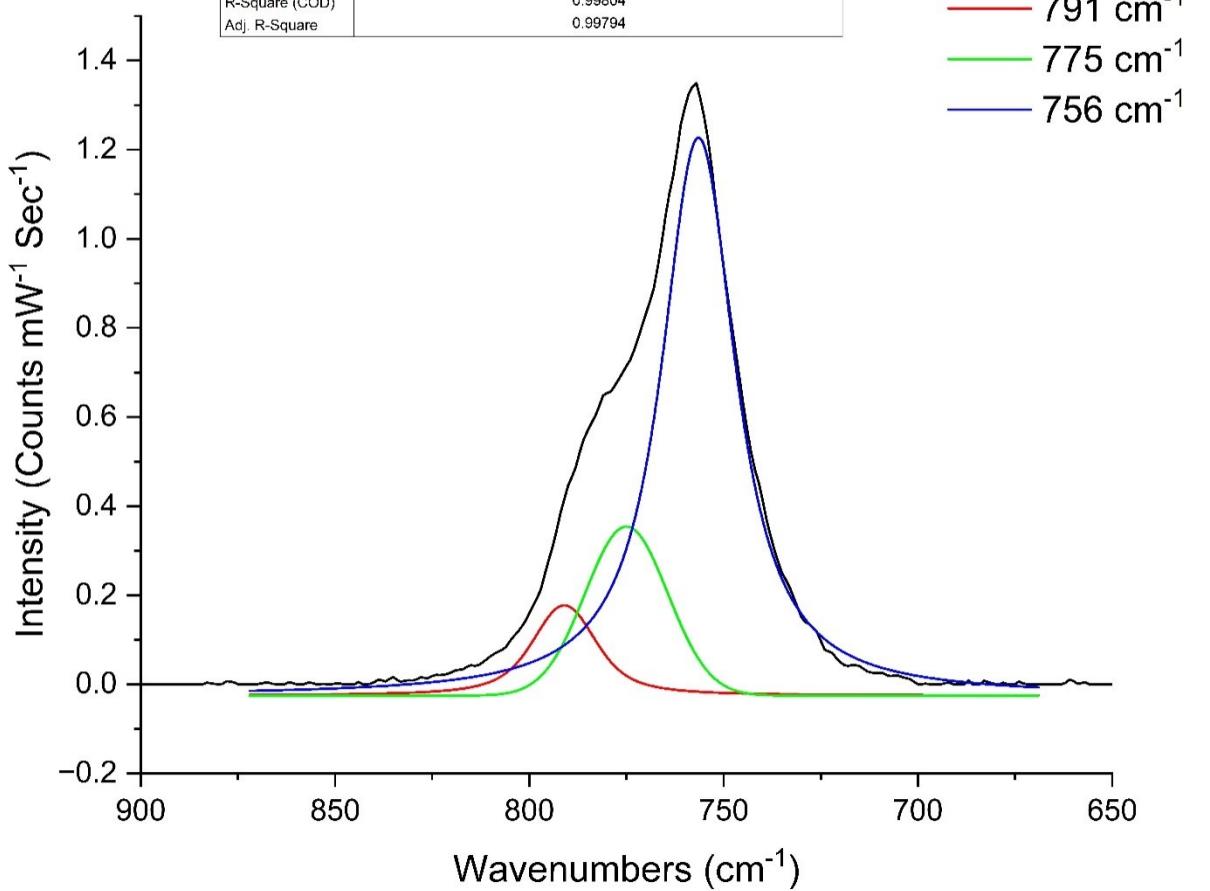
**Figure S11:** Solution Raman spectra of pH 11.86 solution with fitting parameters in the spectral window of  $900\text{-}650 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ .

Model	Voigt		
Equation	$y = nlf\_voigt(x,y0,xc,A,wG,wL);$		
Plot	Peak1(pH=11.65)	Peak2(pH=11.65)	Peak3(pH=11.65)
y0	-0.00246 ± 0.00163	-0.00246 ± 0.00163	-0.00246 ± 0.00163
xc	757.65438 ± 0.42213	747.24635 ± 0.58149	735.57121 ± 48.90962
A	13.6428 ± 7.82832	14.94967 ± 32.58592	4.50187 ± 24.92327
wG	4.00239E-8 ± 945.80331	13.64801 ± 5.13264	19.98069 ± 44.59426
wL	18.54501 ± 2.35024	11.64492 ± 24.06588	21.58061 ± 9.25952
Reduced Chi-Sqr	3.90843E-5		
R-Square (COD)	0.99941		
Adj. R-Square	0.99937		



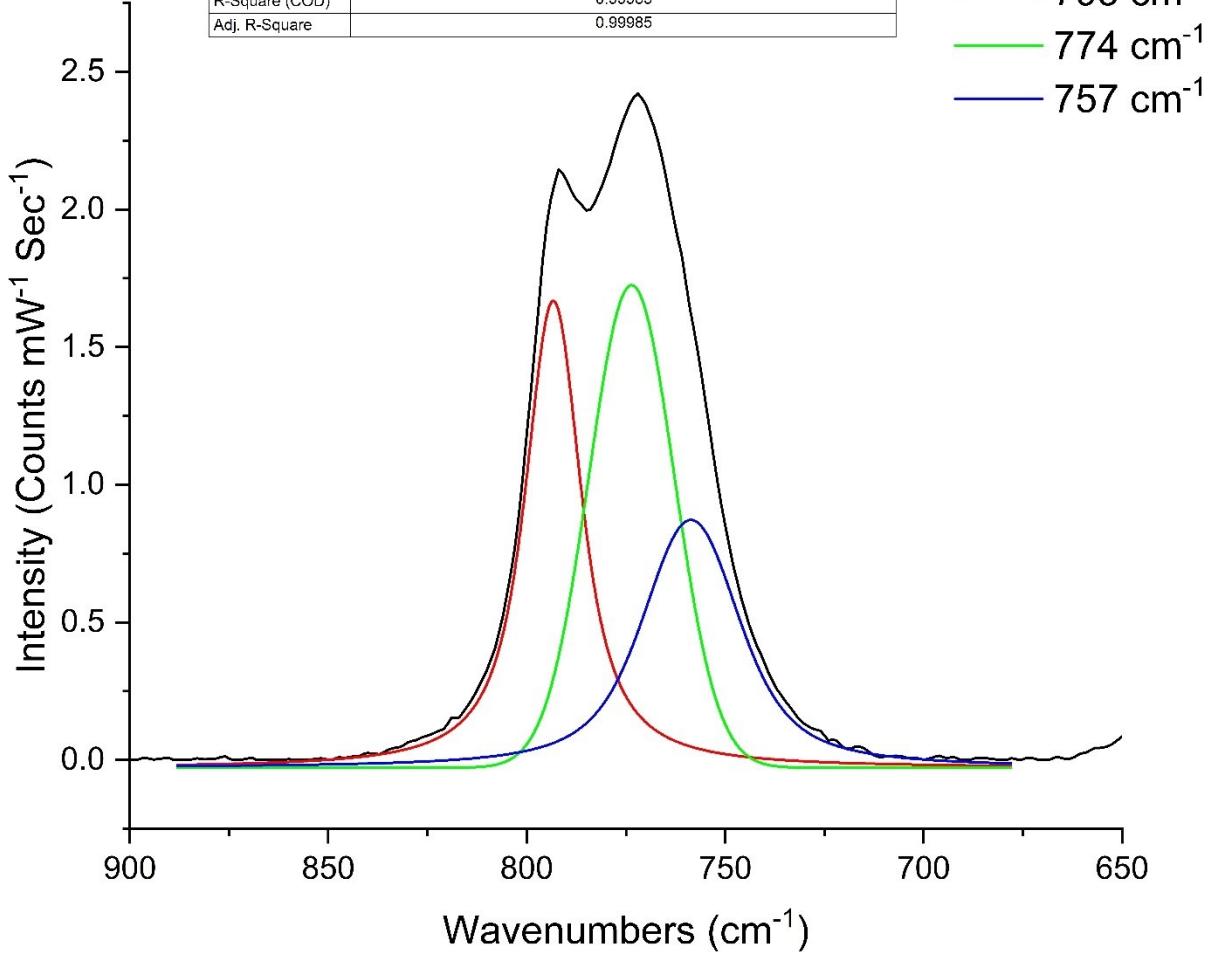
**Figure S12:** Solution Raman spectra of pH 11.65 solution with fitting parameters in the spectral window of 900–650 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

Model	Voigt		
	$y = \text{nlf\_voigt}(x,y_0,xc,A,wG,wL);$		
Equation	Peak1( $\text{pH}=11.05$ )	Peak2( $\text{pH}=11.05$ )	Peak3( $\text{pH}=11.05$ )
Plot			
$y_0$	$-0.02587 \pm 0.00262$	$-0.02587 \pm 0.00262$	$-0.02587 \pm 0.00262$
$xc$	$790.99259 \pm 0$	$775.01617 \pm 0$	$756.46925 \pm 0.19373$
$A$	$5.37841 \pm 0.8945$	$10.11224 \pm 1.97666$	$43.62515 \pm 1.20791$
$wG$	$11.74509 \pm 3.93651$	$25.02043 \pm 4.06053$	$6.29975 \pm 1.40687$
$wL$	$12.02202 \pm 4.78124$	$3.67811E-13 \pm 0.26272$	$20.93893 \pm 0.84038$
Reduced Chi-Sqr	$2.88069E-4$		
R-Square (COD)	0.99804		
Adj. R-Square	0.99794		

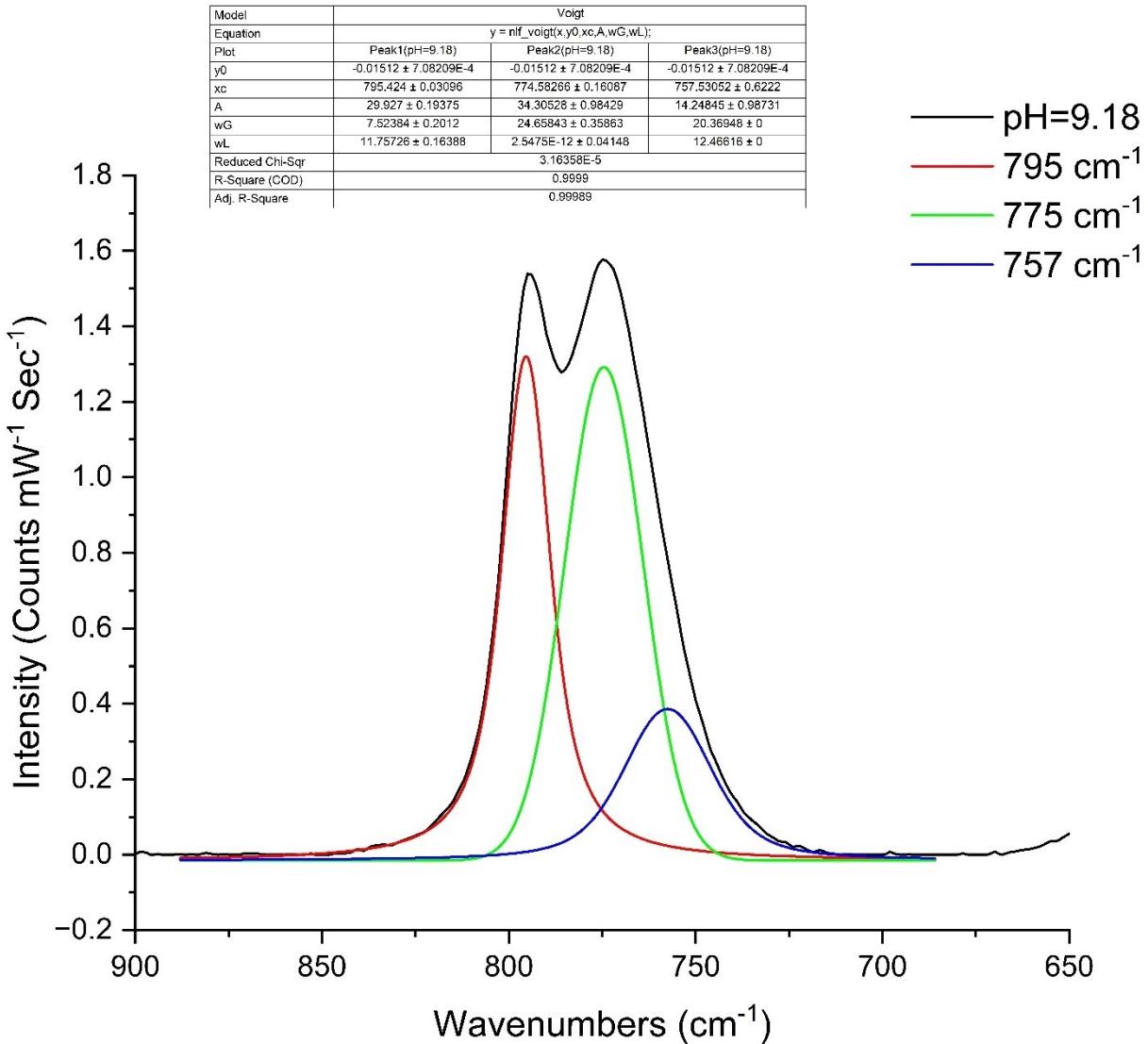


**Figure S13:** Solution Raman spectra of pH 11.05 solution with fitting parameters in the spectral window of 900-650 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

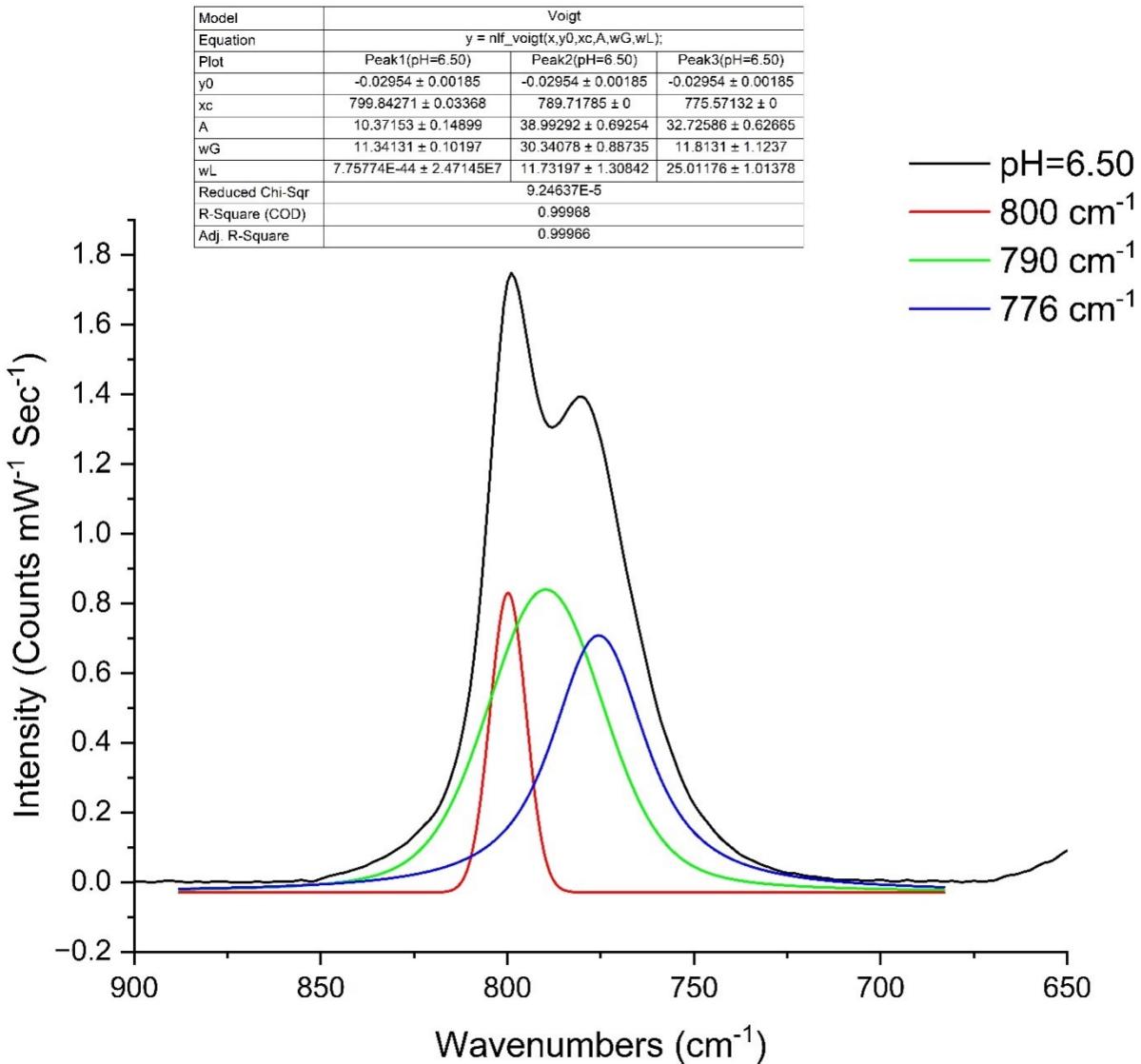
Model	Voigt		
Equation	$y = \text{nlf\_voigt}(x,y0,xc,A,wG,wL);$		
Plot	Peak1(pH=9.73)	Peak2(pH=9.73)	Peak3(pH=9.73)
$y0$	-0.02774 ± 0.0018	-0.02774 ± 0.0018	-0.02774 ± 0.0018
$xc$	793.31446 ± 0.06364	773.57707 ± 1.58562	758.62621 ± 3.39771
$A$	42.25962 ± 0.61306	47.20997 ± 11.6726	35.51234 ± 12.28796
$wG$	6.66961 ± 0.74728	25.30614 ± 2.13172	17.78943 ± 3.26465
$wL$	14.02312 ± 0.6638	6.45044E-44 ± 8.73847E7	17.67611 ± 3.92283
Reduced Chi-Sqr	1.01878E-4		
R-Square (COD)	0.99985		
Adj. R-Square	0.99985		



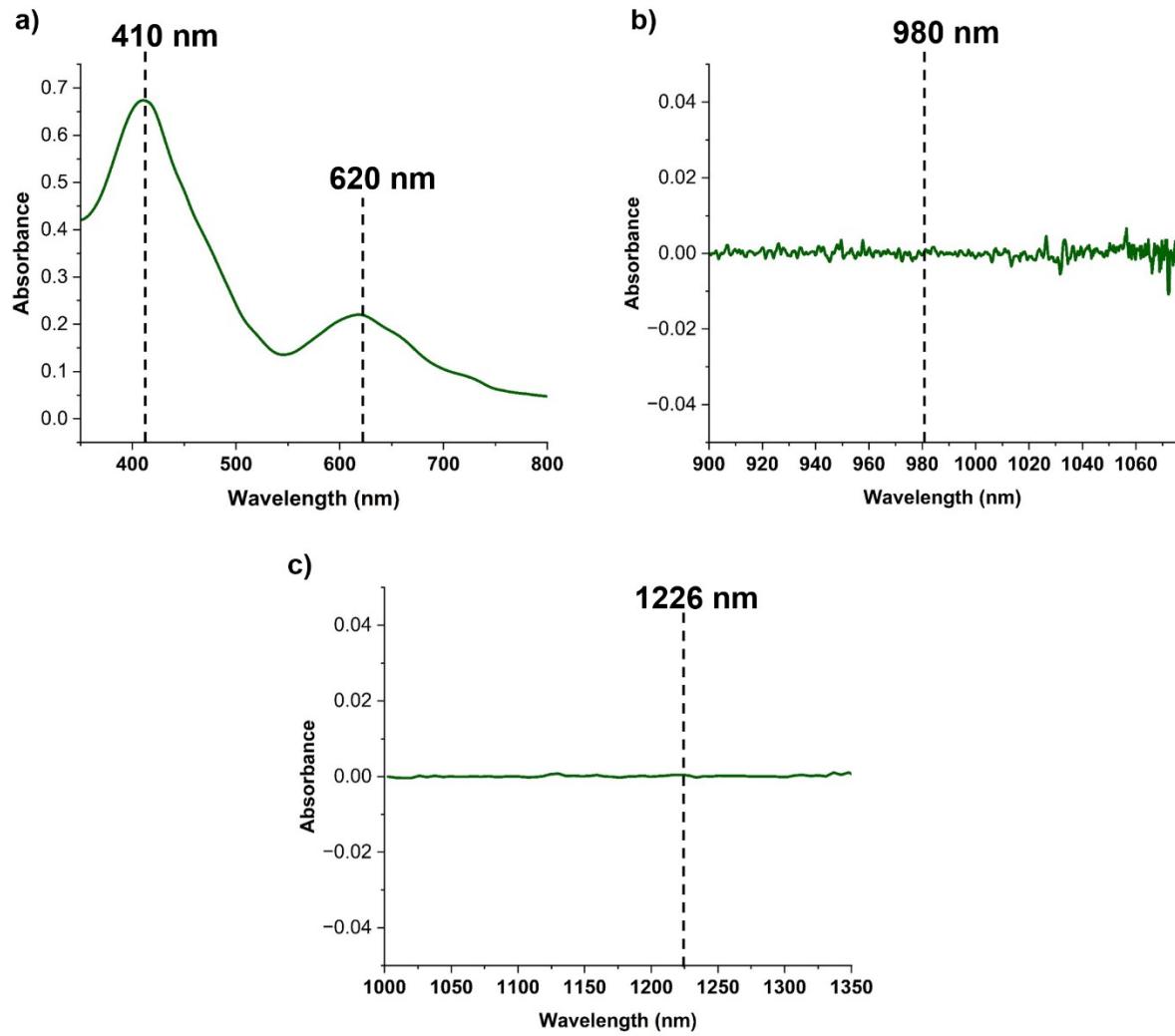
**Figure S14:** Solution Raman spectra of pH 9.73 solution with fitting parameters in the spectral window of 900–650 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



**Figure S15:** Solution Raman spectra of pH 9.18 solution with fitting parameters in the spectral window of 900-650 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

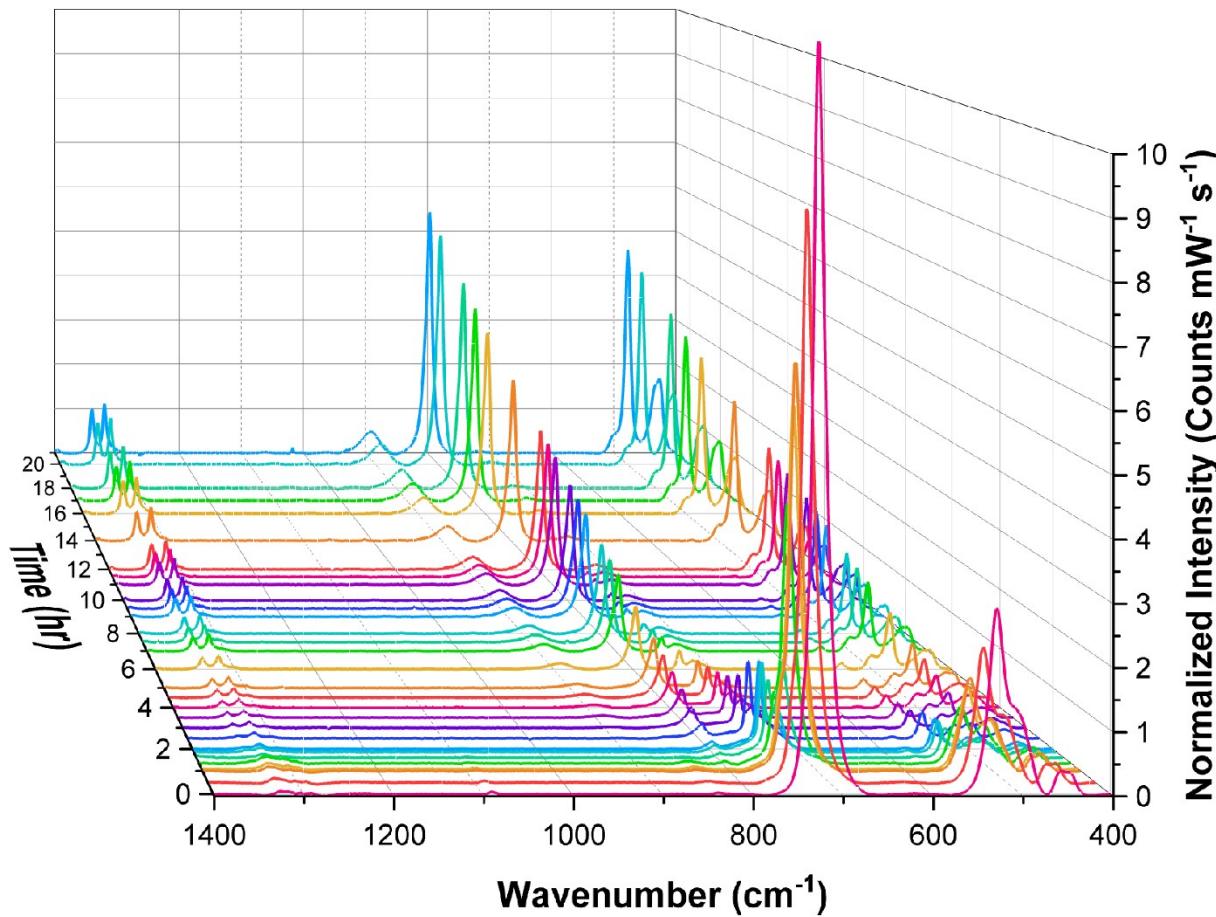


**Figure S16:** Solution Raman spectra of pH 6.50 solution with fitting parameters in the spectral window of 900-650  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

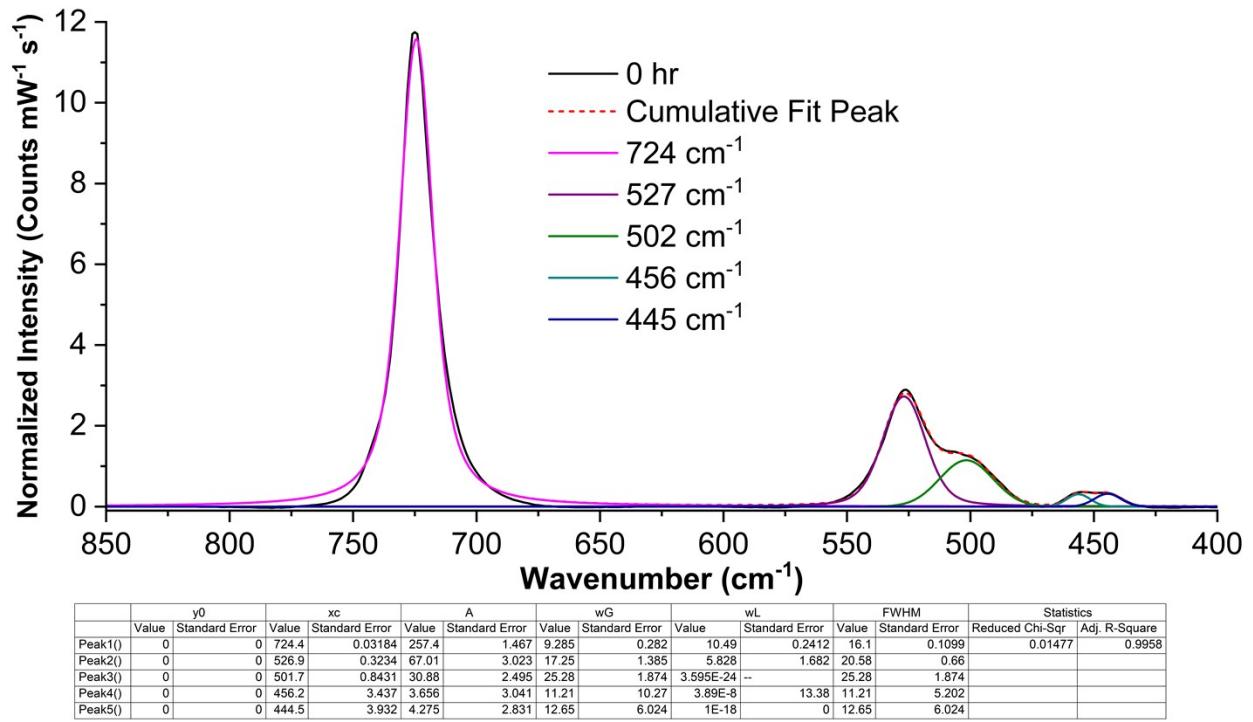


**Figure S17:** Optical spectroscopy of the solution formed by dissolving the precipitate from pH 6.50 solution in 1M LiOH. Here a), b), and c) are UV-Vis, Vis and NIR spectra respectively.

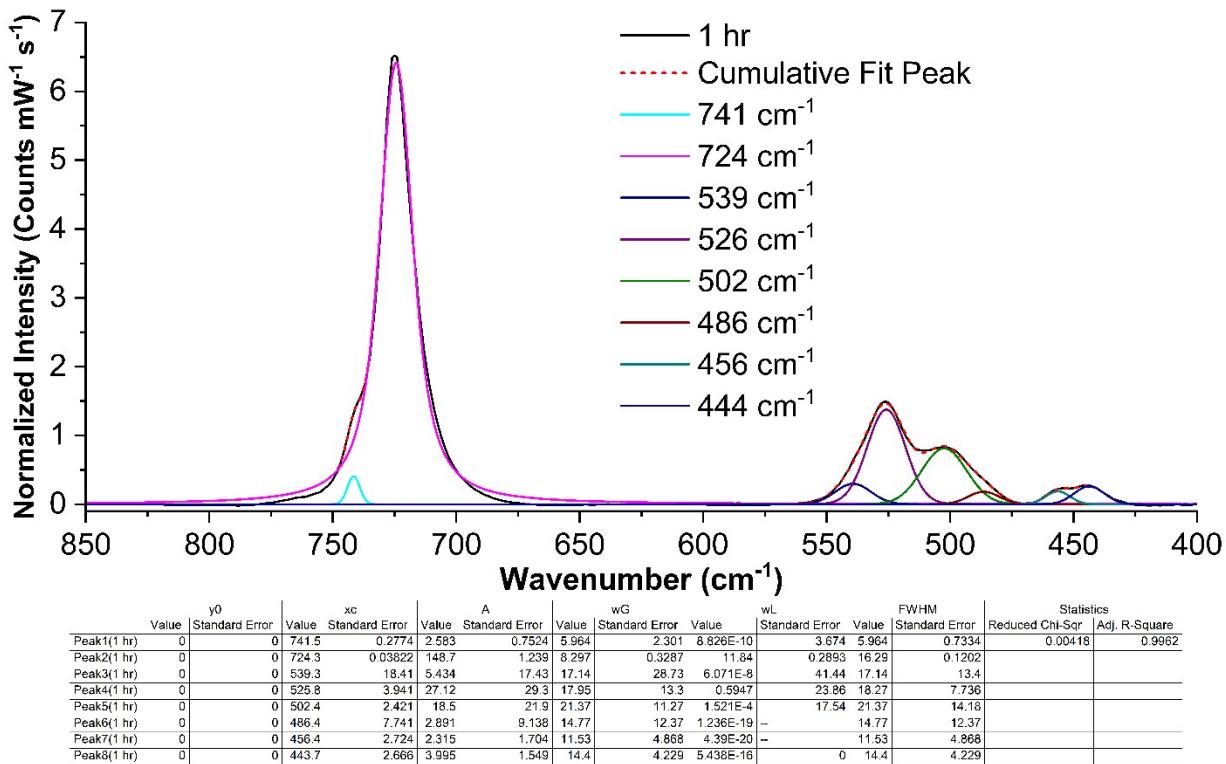
## 2.2 Protonation of Np(VII) Solids by Acid Vapor Diffusion



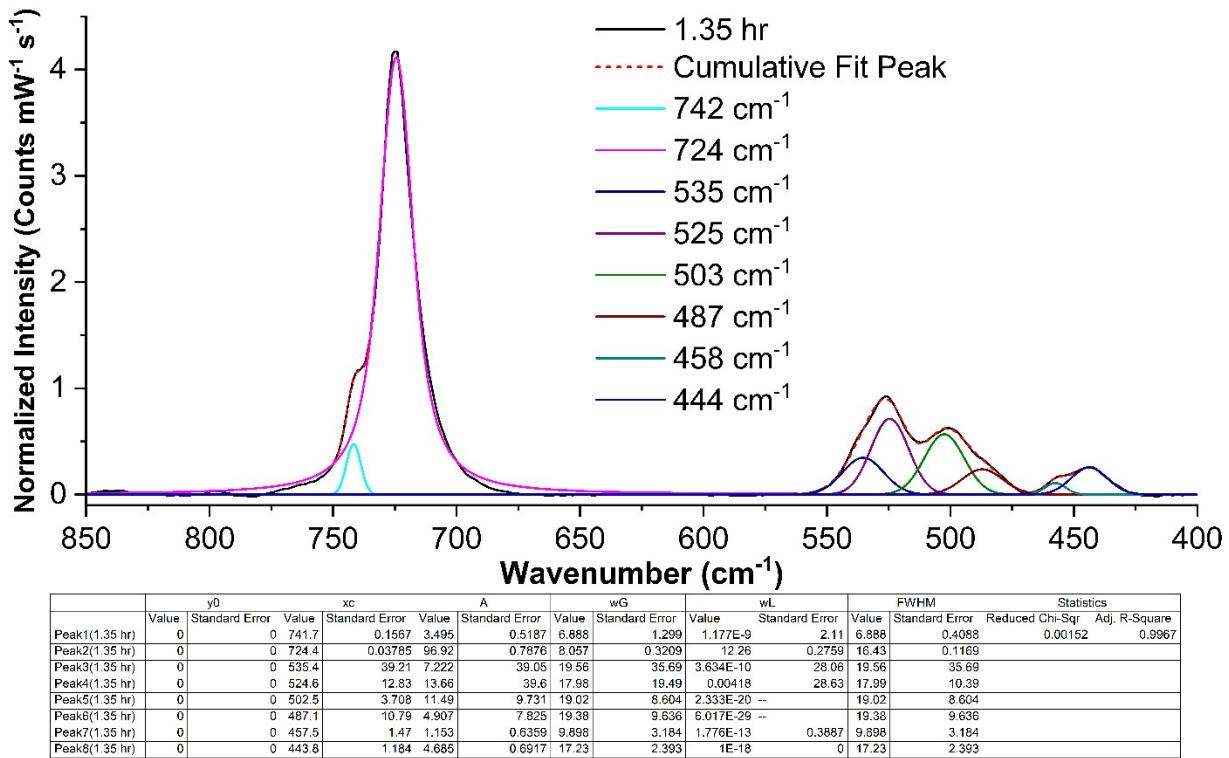
**Figure S18:** Overlay of solid-state Raman spectra collected on a single sample of  $[(\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6)(\text{NpO}_4(\text{OH})_2)] \cdot (\text{H}_2\text{O})_n$  ( $n = 2-4$ ) in the spectral window  $1400-400 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Spectra were collected periodically over the course of 21 hrs while the sample was continuously exposed to acidic vapor.



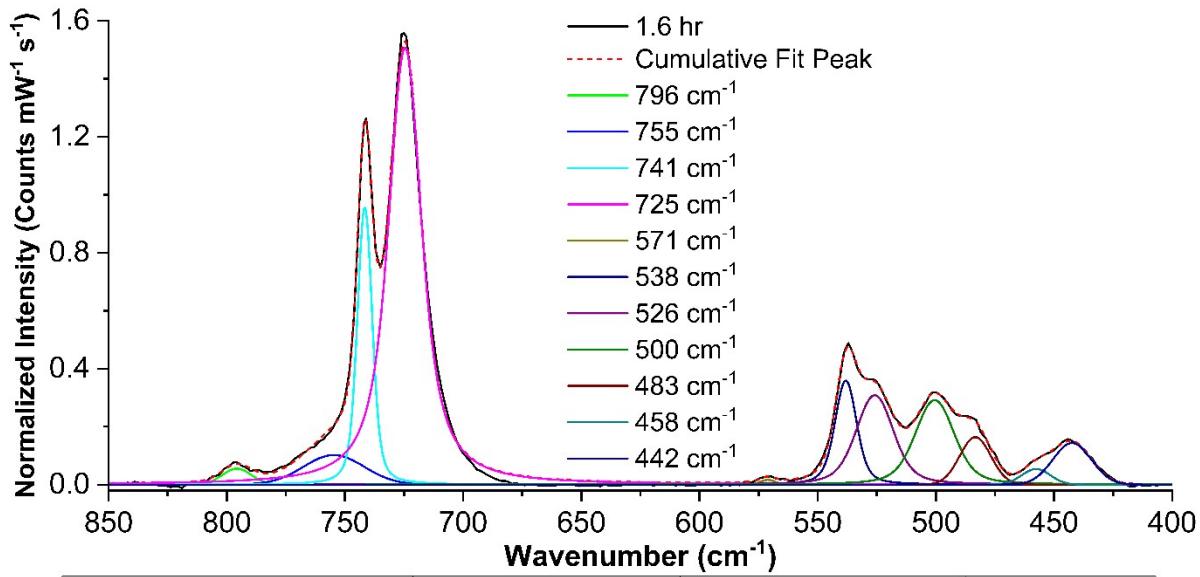
**Figure S19:** Solid-state Raman spectra with fitting parameters and statistics of neat



**Figure S20:** Solid-state Raman spectra with fitting parameters and statistics of  $[(\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6)(\text{NpO}_4(\text{OH})_2)] \cdot (\text{H}_2\text{O})_n$  ( $n = 2-4$ ) after 1 hour of exposure to acidic vapor.

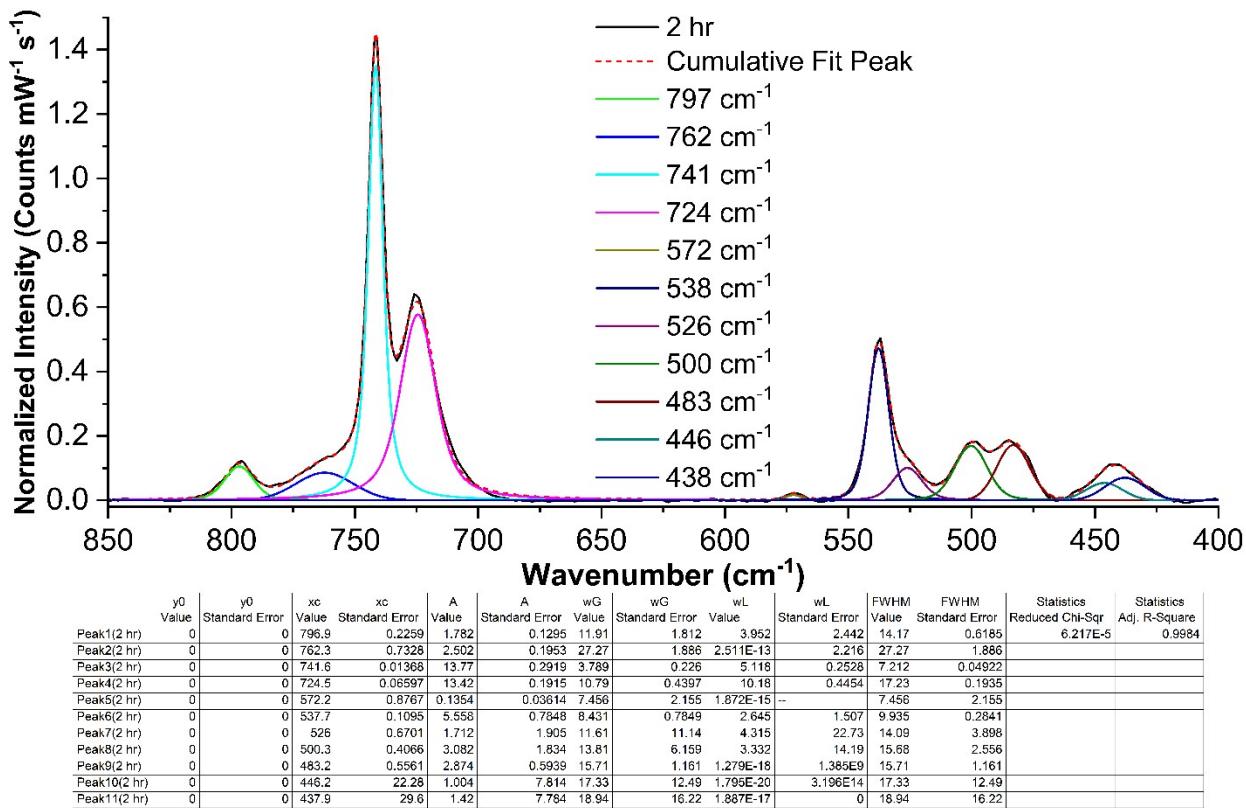


**Figure S21:** Solid-state Raman spectra with fitting parameters and statistics of  $[(\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6)(\text{NpO}_4(\text{OH})_2)] \cdot (\text{H}_2\text{O})_n$  ( $n = 2-4$ ) after 1.35 hour of exposure to acidic vapor.

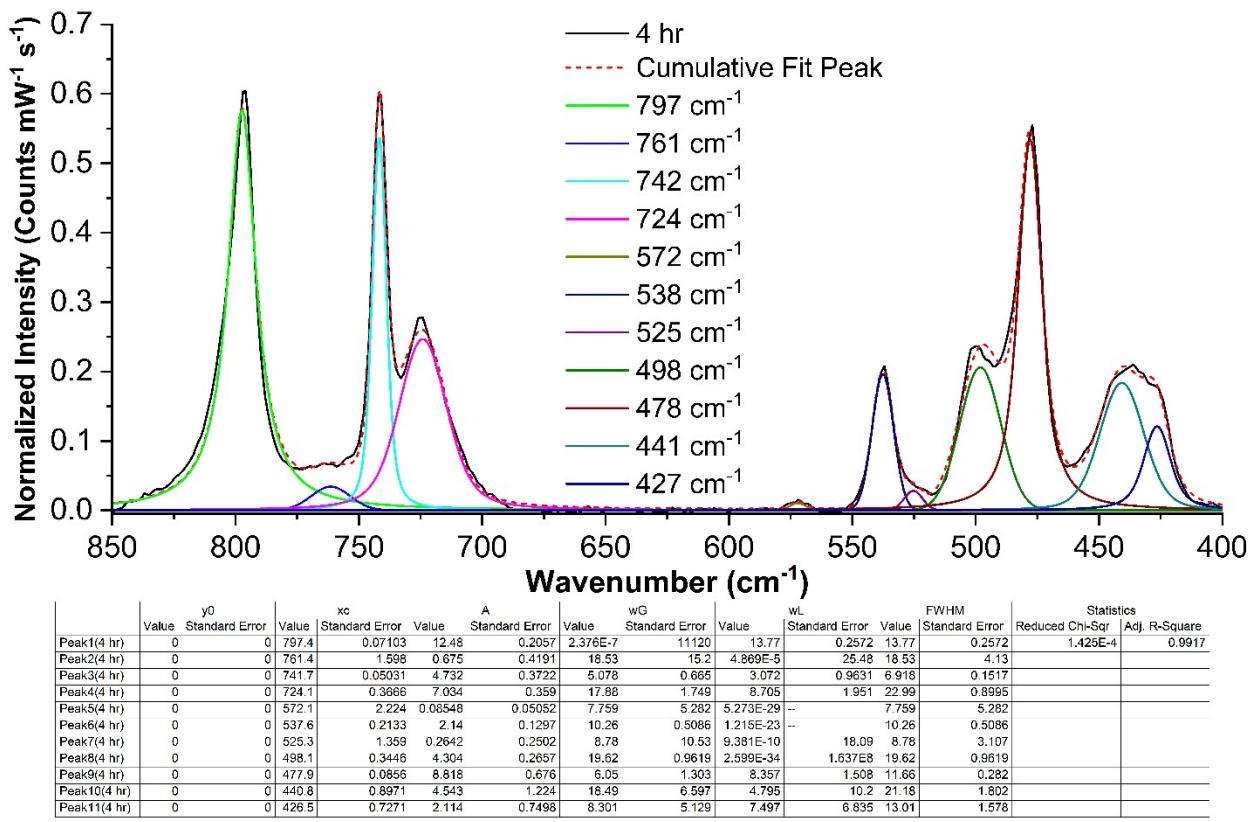


	y0 Value	Standard Error	xc Value	Standard Error	A Value	Standard Error	wG Value	Standard Error	wL Value	Standard Error	wL Value	Standard Error	FWHM	Statistics Reduced Chi-Sqr	Adj. R-Square
Peak1(1.6 hr)	0	0	795.7	0.8945	0.8555	0.6341	14.53	7.247	1.565E-8	14.97	14.53	2.54	1.875E-4	0.9978	
Peak2(1.6 hr)	0	0	754.7	4.594	3.314	1.755	30	21.23	0.4908	33.62	30.26	6.849			
Peak3(1.6 hr)	0	0	741.6	0.03205	6.892	1.349	5.802	0.7155	2.863	1.384	7.483	0.2461			
Peak4(1.6 hr)	0	0	724.6	0.05299	36.01	1.01	8.396	0.5816	12.31	0.6667	16.74	0.1592			
Peak5(1.6 hr)	0	0	571.1	1.535	0.1308	0.07052	7.314	3.964	6.529E-22	4.768E7	7.314	3.964			
Peak6(1.6 hr)	0	0	538.1	0.2821	4.821	2.011	8.361	2.267	4.156	4.535	10.8	1.048			
Peak7(1.6 hr)	0	0	525.9	0.7462	7.134	4.924	14.6	5.642	6.962	13.57	18.68	4.513			
Peak8(1.6 hr)	0	0	500.5	0.6932	7.051	4.874	15.34	7.871	7.236	18.32	19.57	4.783			
Peak9(1.6 hr)	0	0	483.3	1.041	2.707	1.348	15.51	2.545	3.403E-22	—	15.51	2.545			
Peak10(1.6 hr)	0	0	457.6	2.547	0.8235	0.5535	14.31	4.683	2.802E-19	—	14.31	4.683			
Peak11(1.6 hr)	0	0	442.4	1.5	2.921	0.5111	19.09	2.278	1E-18	0	19.09	2.278			

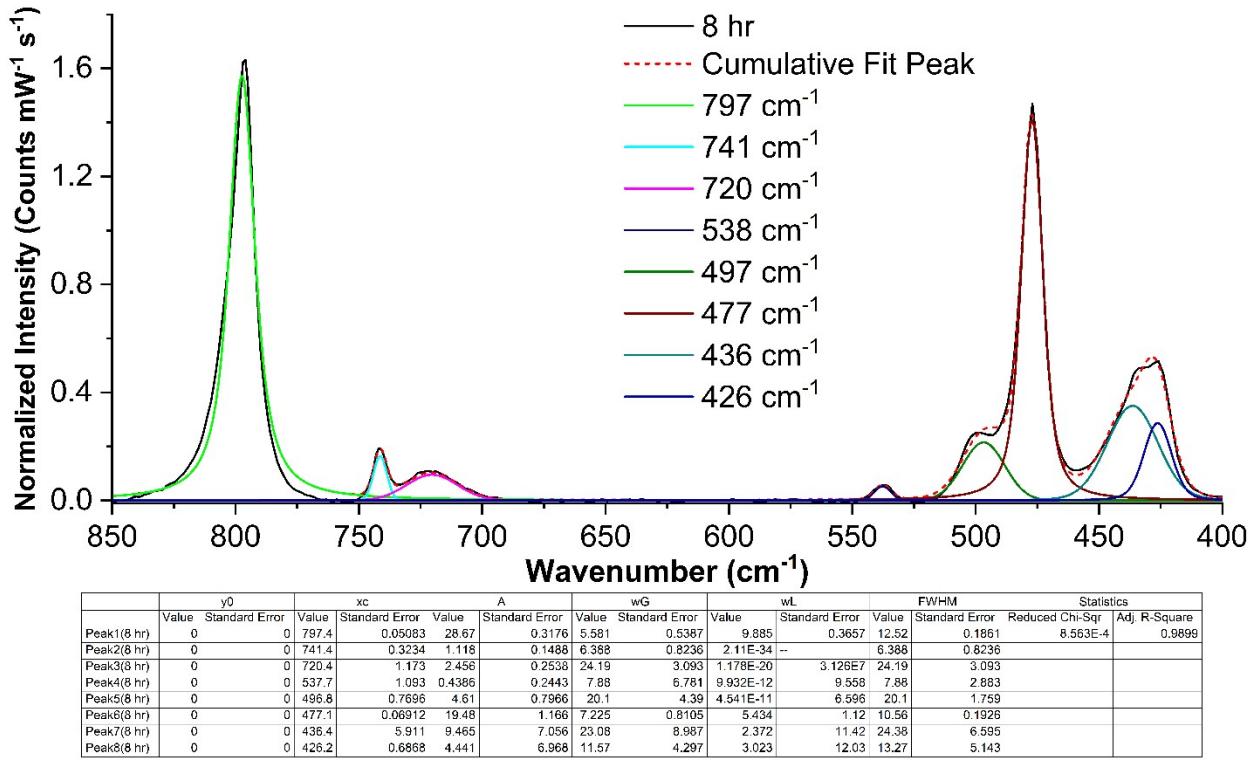
**Figure S22:** Solid-state Raman spectra with fitting parameters and statistics of  $[(\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6)(\text{NpO}_4(\text{OH})_2)] \cdot (\text{H}_2\text{O})_n$  ( $n = 2-4$ ) after 1.6 hour of exposure to acidic vapor.



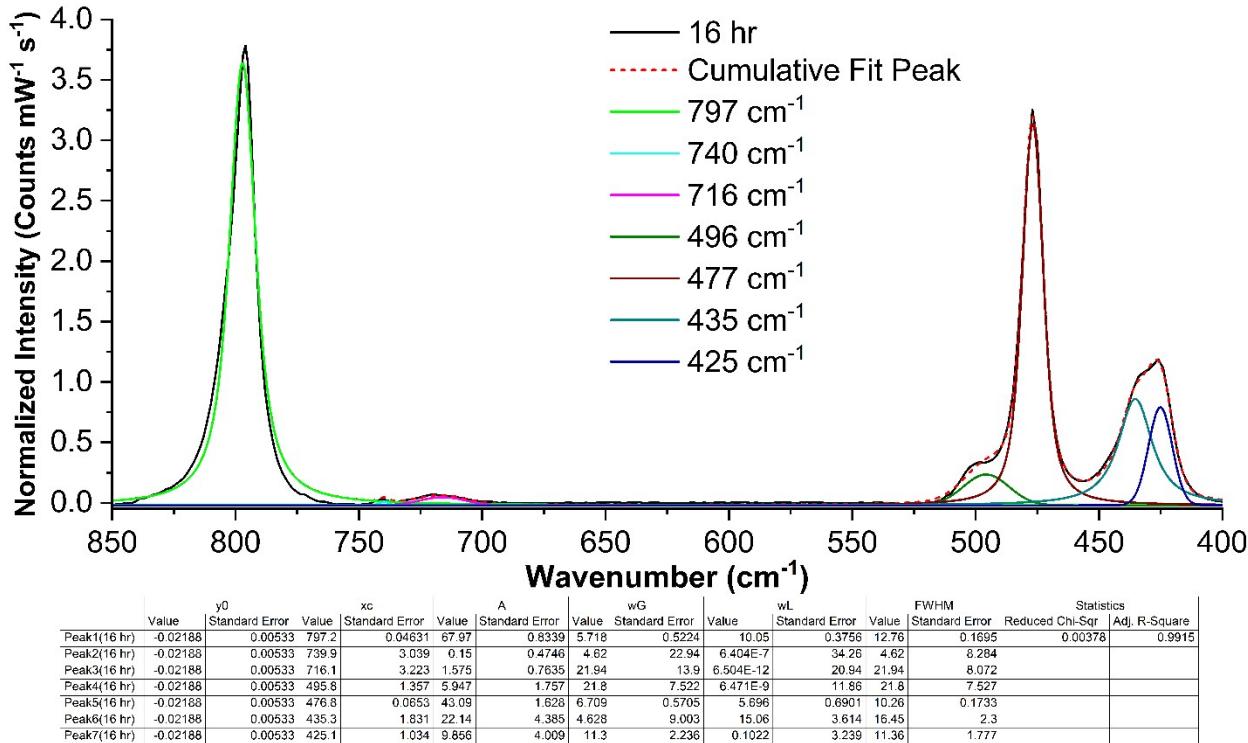
**Figure S23:** Solid-state Raman spectra with fitting parameters and statistics of  $[(\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6)(\text{NpO}_4(\text{OH})_2)] \cdot (\text{H}_2\text{O})_n$  (n = 2-4) after 2.0 hour of exposure to acidic vapor.



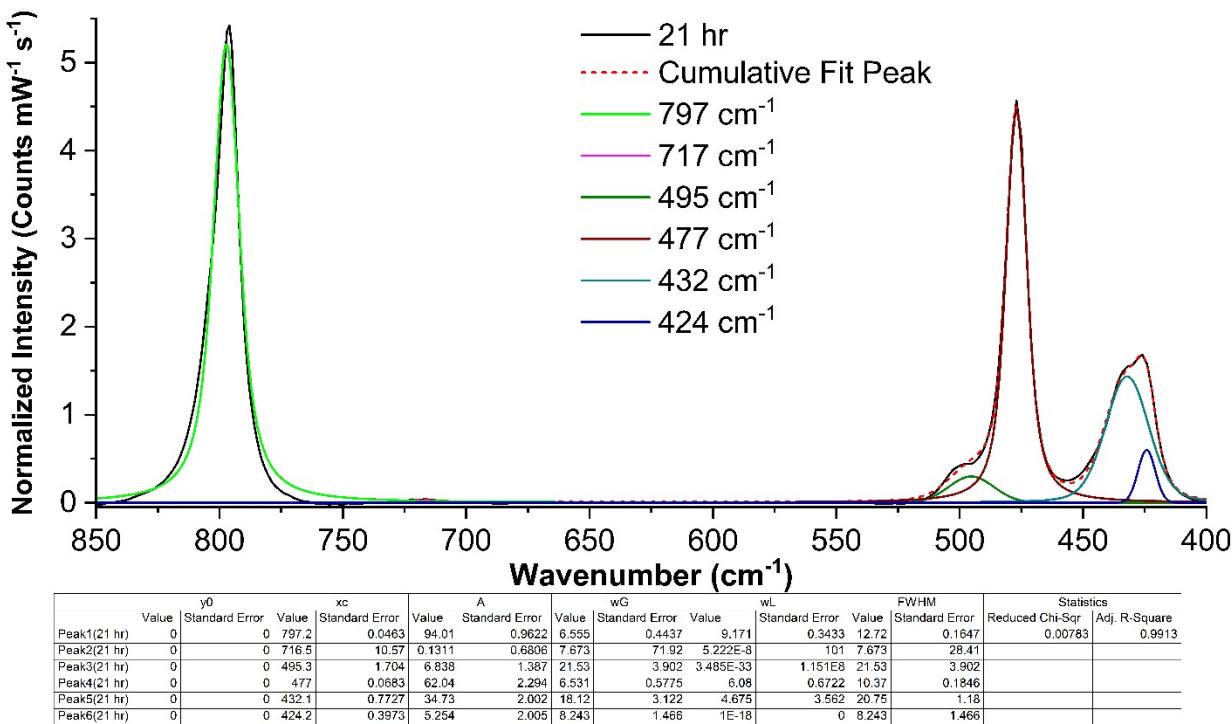
**Figure S24:** Solid-state Raman spectra with fitting parameters and statistics of  $[(\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6)(\text{NpO}_4(\text{OH})_2)] \cdot (\text{H}_2\text{O})_n$  ( $n = 2-4$ ) after 4 hours of exposure to acidic vapor.



**Figure S25:** Solid-state Raman spectra with fitting parameters and statistics of  $[(\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6)(\text{NpO}_4(\text{OH})_2)] \cdot (\text{H}_2\text{O})_n$  ( $n = 2-4$ ) after 8 hours of exposure to acidic vapor.



**Figure S26:** Solid-state Raman spectra with fitting parameters and statistics of  $[(\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6)(\text{NpO}_4(\text{OH})_2)] \cdot (\text{H}_2\text{O})_n$  ( $n = 2-4$ ) after 16 hours of exposure to acidic vapor.



**Figure S27:** Solid-state Raman spectra with fitting parameters and statistics of  $[(\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6)(\text{NpO}_4(\text{OH})_2)] \cdot (\text{H}_2\text{O})_n$  ( $n = 2-4$ ) after 21 hours of exposure to acidic vapor.

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