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On the potential of WSi₁₂ superatom as a drug carrier: A DFT study

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1. Tables

Table S1 Crucial geometric parameters and the HOMO-LUMO gap (in eV) of WSi₁₂ calculated by using different methods in conjunction with the Aug-cc-pvDZ basis set for main group atoms and LANL2DZ for W atom.

Methods	W-Si (in Å)	Si _T -Si _T (in Å)	Si _L -Si _L (in Å)	Gap
B3PW91-D3(BJ)	2.670	2.378	2.428	2.76
B3LYP-D3(BJ)	2.694	2.396	2.456	2.73
HSE06	2.668	2.378	2.418	2.35

Table S2 Crucial geometric parameters (in Å) as well as the HOMO-LUMO gap (in eV) and binding energy per atom (E_b , in eV) of WSi_{12} calculated by using B3PW91-D3(BJ) method in conjunction with different basis sets for the main group atoms and LANL2DZ for W atom.

Basis set	W-Si	Si _T -Si _T	Si _L -Si _L	Gap	E_b^a
6-31G(d)	2.656	2.365	2.415	2.74	5.43
6-31+G(d)	2.656	2.365	2.416	2.74	5.40
Aug-cc-pVDZ	2.670	2.378	2.428	2.76	5.44
6-311+G(d)	2.654	2.363	2.418	2.76	5.44
6-311+G(3df)	2.647	2.359	2.402	2.76	5.53

^a E_b is calculated by using the formula $E_b = \frac{E(W) + 12E(Si) - E(WSi_{12})}{13}$.

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Basis set	W-Si	Si _T -Si _T	Si _L -Si _L	Gap	E_b^a
LANL2DZ	2.654	2.363	2.418	2.76	5.44
SDD	2.659	2.368	2.419	2.76	5.39
Def2-TZVP	2.659	2.367	2.419	2.79	5.41
Aug-cc-pVDZ-pp	2.655	2.365	2.413	2.83	5.47

^a E_b is calculated by using the formula $E_b = \frac{E(W) + 12E(Si) - E(WSi_{12})}{13}$.

Table S4 The proton binding energies (E_b' , in kcal/mol) for the nitrogen and sulfur atoms of 6-TG.

Binding sites	E_b'
S1	152.89
N1	120.26
N2	139.48
N3	152.23
N4	122.66
N5	163.14

2. Figures

Fig. S1 ESP diagrams of the studied 5-Fu, 5-ASA, INH, 6-TG, and TMZ drugs.

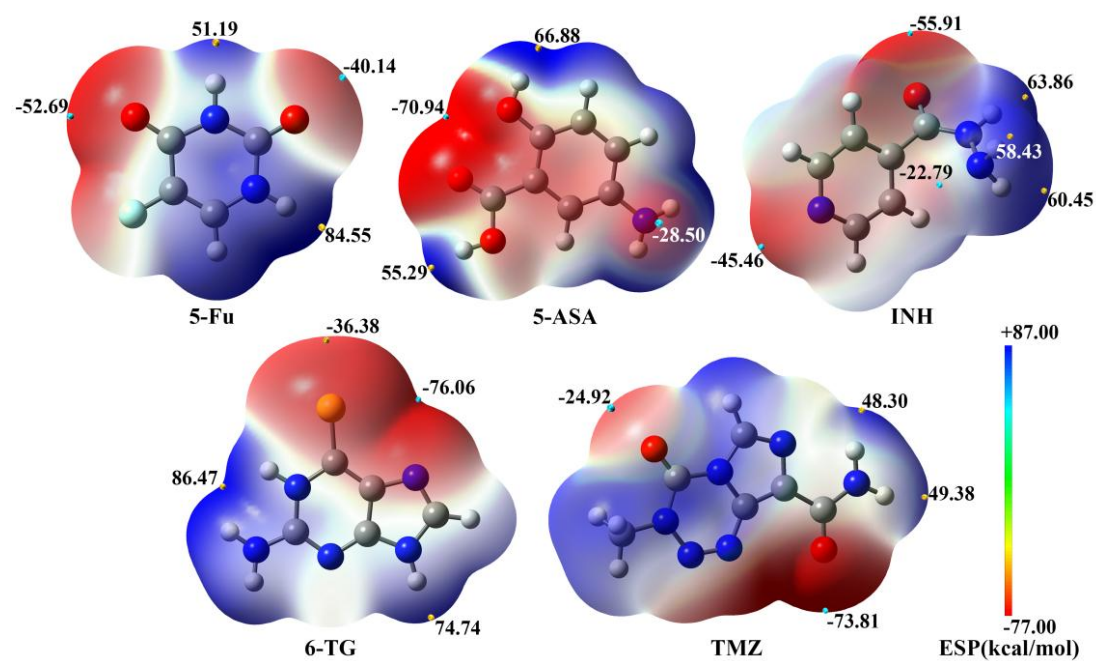


Fig. S2 ALIE diagrams of 5-ASA and INH, where cyan balls represent the minimum points.

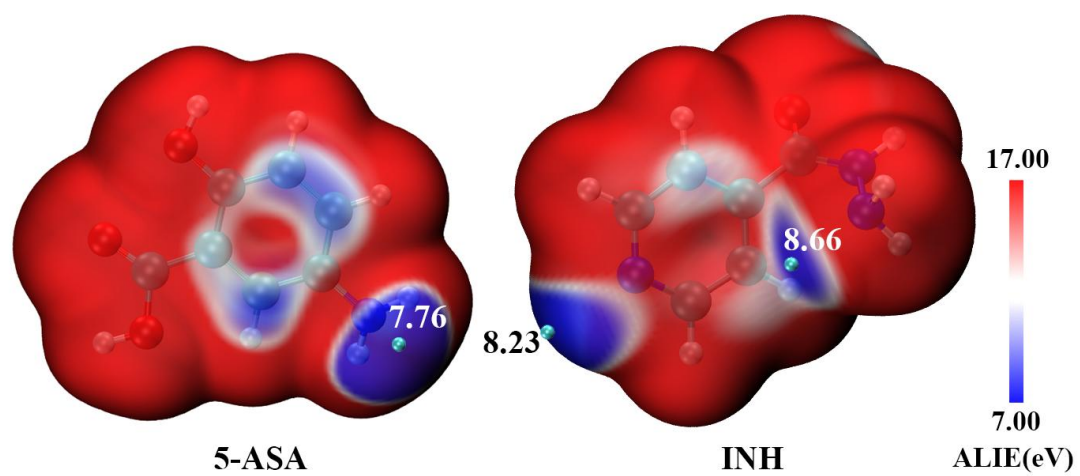


Fig. S3 The HOMO and LUMO orbitals of Drug@WSi₁₂ (Drug = 5-Fu, 5-ASA, INH, and 6-TG) and WSi₁₂ (Isovalue = 0.02 a.u.).

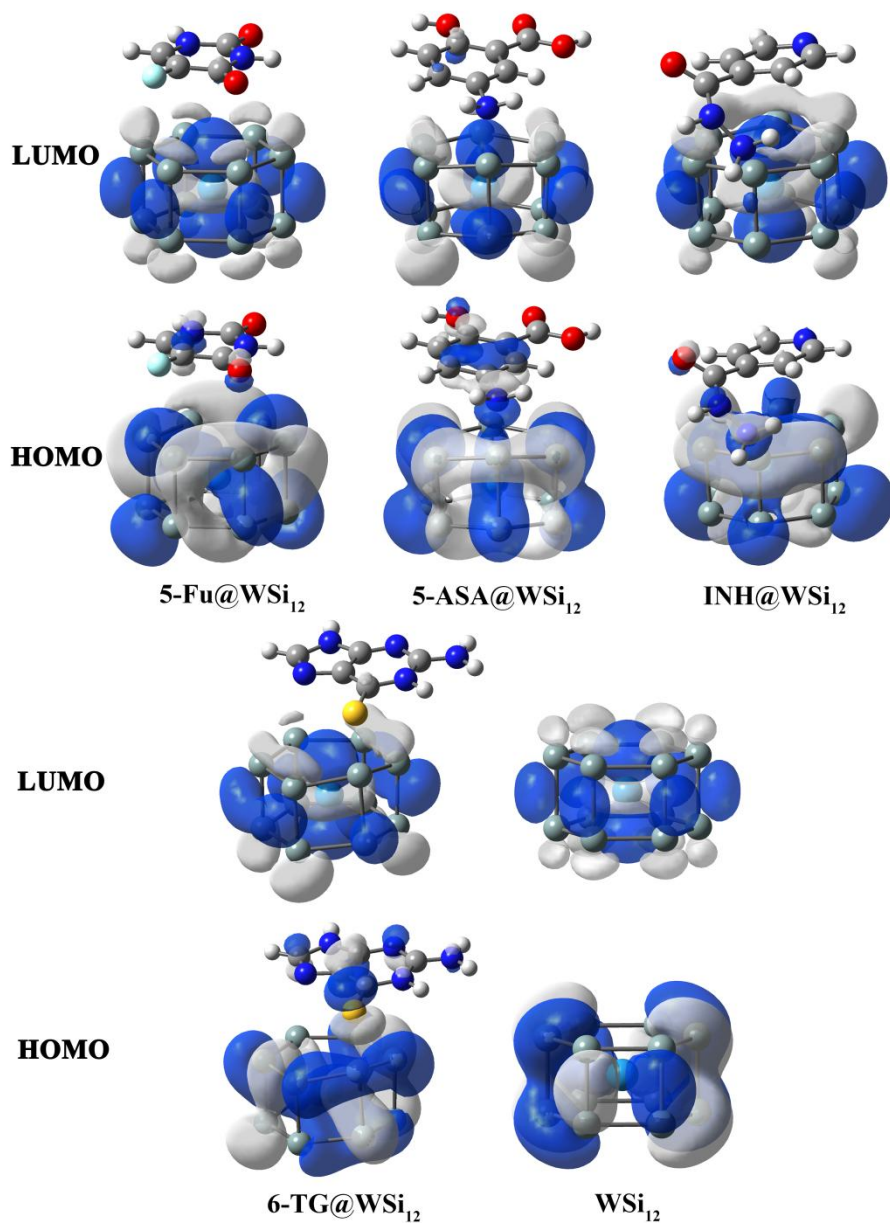


Fig. S4 Projected density of state (PDOS) plots of WSi_{12} , drugs, and Drug@ WSi_{12} (Drug = 5-Fu, 5-ASA, INH, and 6-TG) complexes.

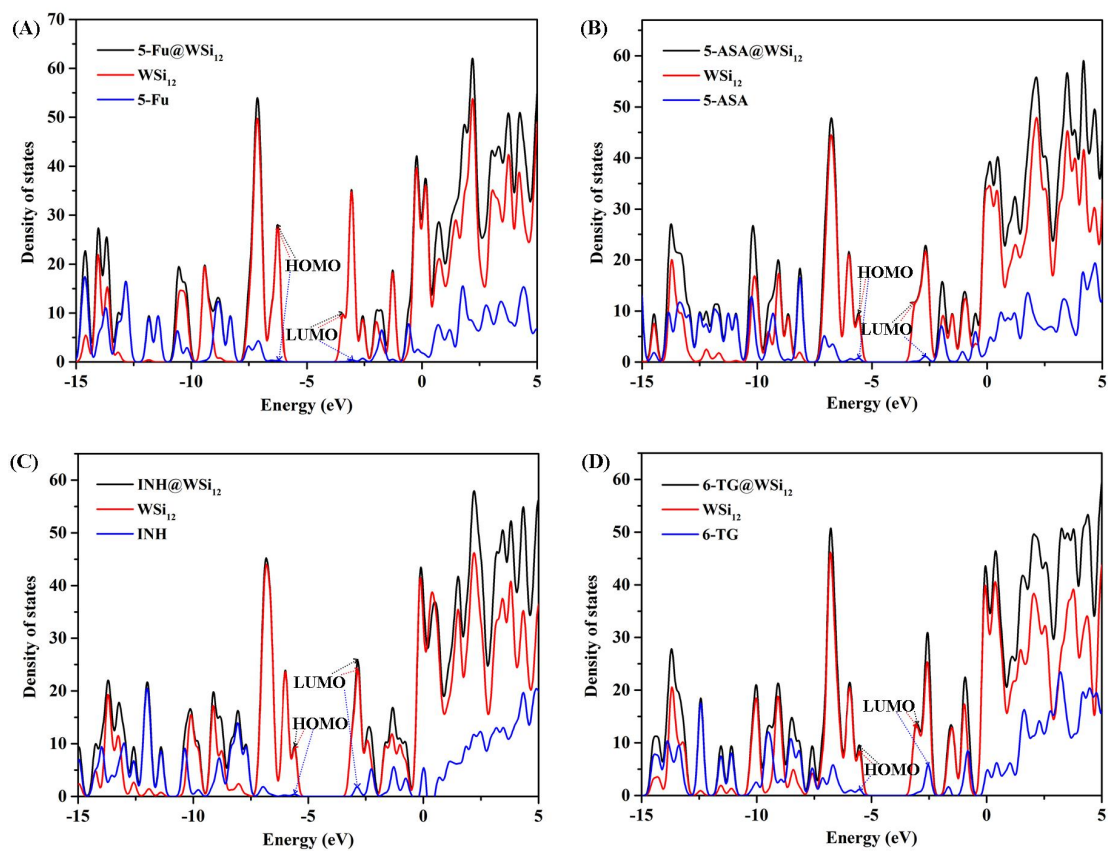


Fig. S5 Infrared (IR) spectra of (A) 5-ASA, WSi₁₂, and 5-ASA@WSi₁₂; (B) INH, WSi₁₂, and INH@WSi₁₂; (C) 6-TG, WSi₁₂, and 6-TG@WSi₁₂.

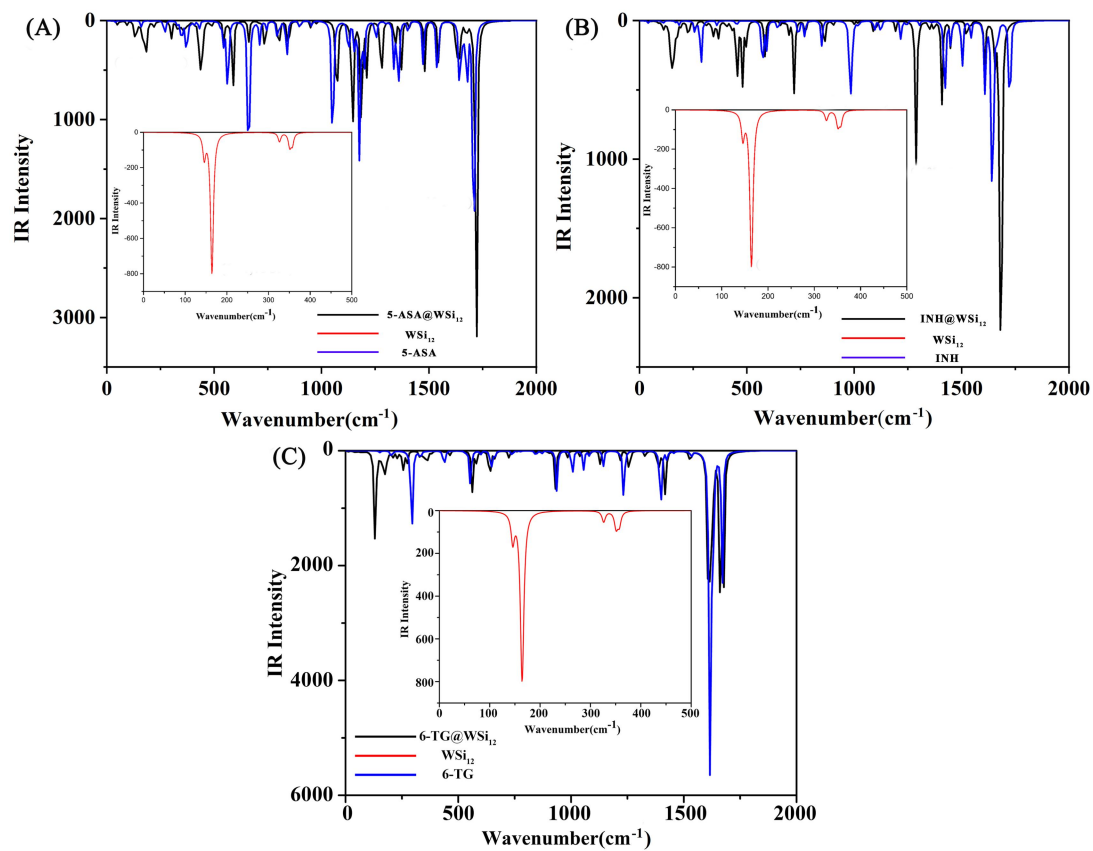


Fig. S6 UV-VIS-NIR spectra of (A) 5-ASA, WSi₁₂, and 5-ASA@WSi₁₂; (B) INH, WSi₁₂, and INH@WSi₁₂; (C) 6-TG, WSi₁₂, and 6-TG@WSi₁₂.

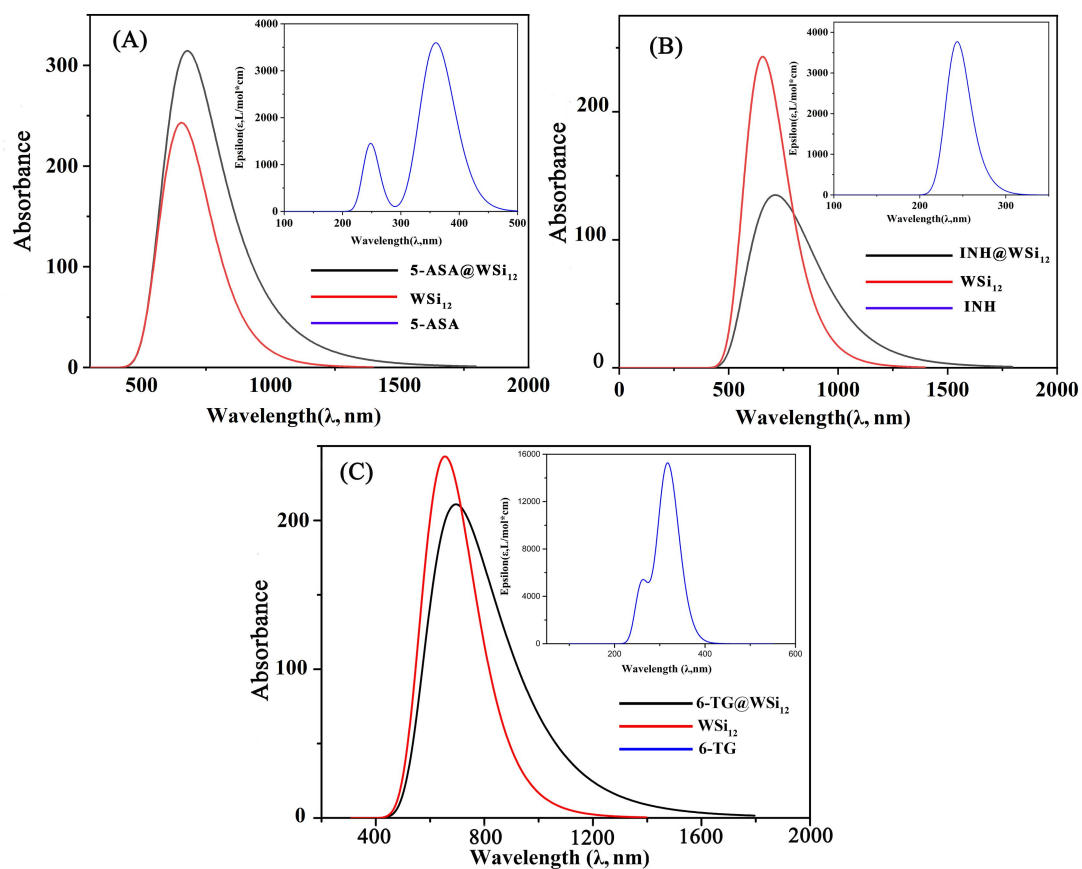


Fig. S7 The correlation between E_{ad} values and the maximum positive ESP values of $\text{W}_n\text{Si}_{6(n+1)}$ ($n = 1, 2, 4$, and 6).

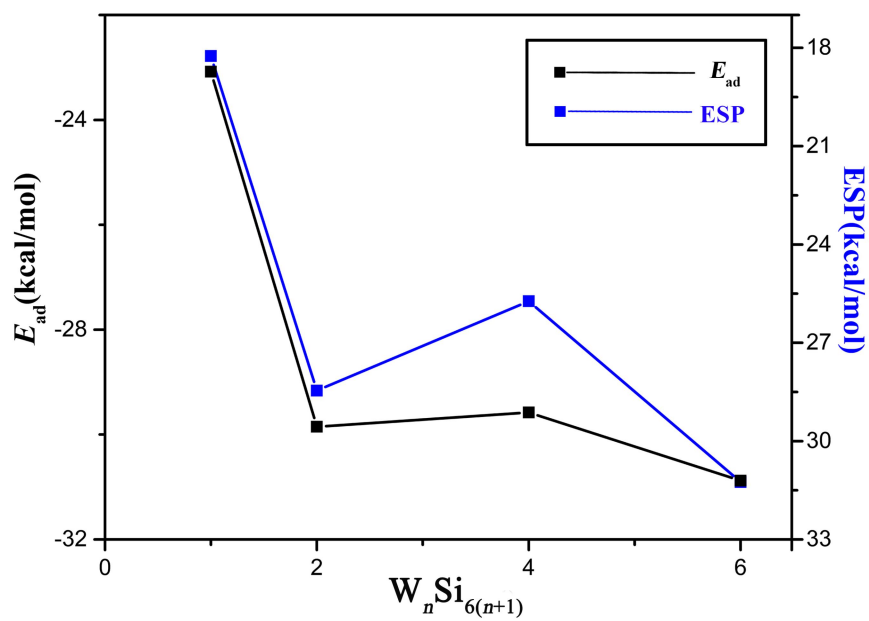
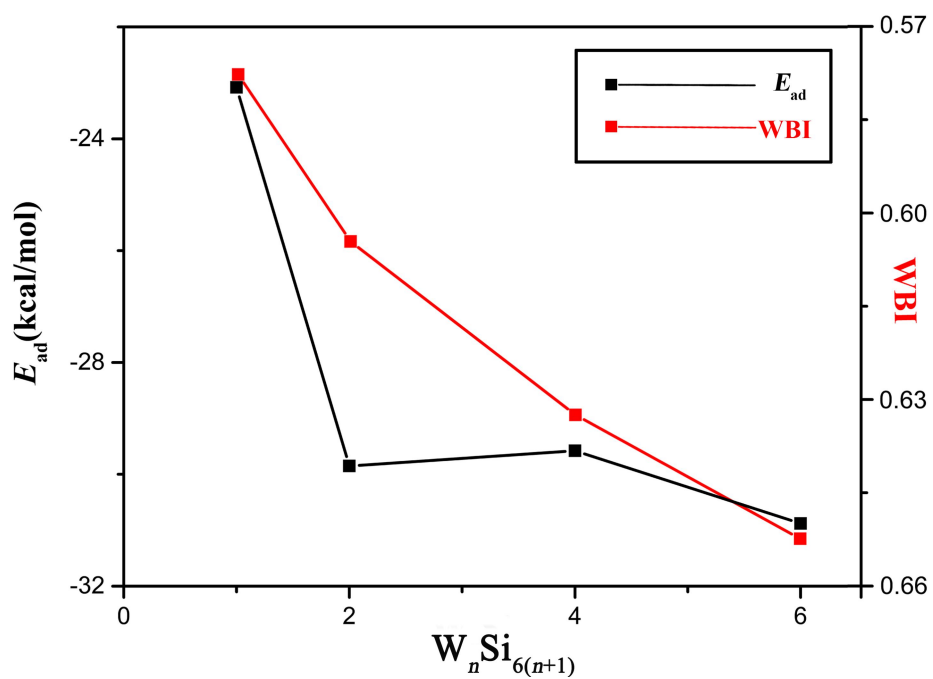


Fig. S8 Correlation between the E_{ad} values and the WBI values of S-Si bonds of 6-TG@ $\text{W}_n\text{Si}_{6(n+1)}$ ($n = 1, 2, 4$, and 6).



3. Cartesian coordinates

WSi₁₂

Si	2.04518419	-1.18078764	1.21018258
Si	0.00000000	-2.36157528	1.21018258
Si	-2.04518419	-1.18078764	1.21018258
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Si	0.00000000	2.36157528	-1.21018258
Si	2.04518419	1.18078764	-1.21018258
W	-0.00000000	-0.00000000	0.00000000

5-Fu@WSi₁₂

Si	2.27294000	2.22224000	0.51887900
Si	2.46861700	1.34503100	-1.66553600
Si	2.38140800	-0.98279300	-2.01374400
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Si	-0.12398500	2.38657500	0.22668600
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Si	-0.45202900	0.91958800	2.05357600
W	0.95863000	-0.02799200	0.02599300
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N	-3.45794200	-0.44676000	-1.17504000
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O	-3.12184800	1.74302600	-1.77523100
F	-3.48760800	2.51132100	0.87357500

5-ASA@WSi₁₂

Si	1.40576800	-0.75148700	2.38435100
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INH@WSi₁₂

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Si	1.39686600	-1.79638700	-2.05774400
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6-TG@WSi₁₂

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