

Analysis of Tin Oxide Supported Transition Metal Single-Atom Catalysts for Oxygen Evolution Reaction

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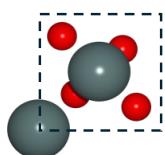
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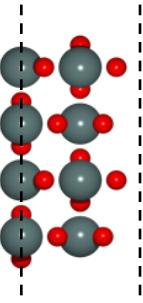
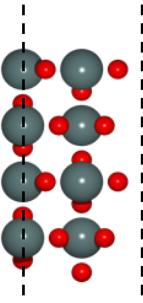
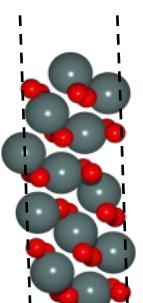
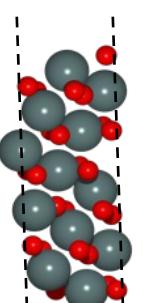
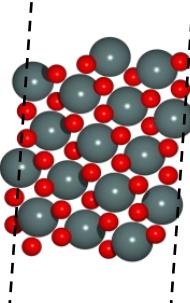
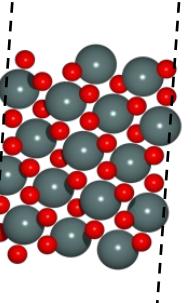
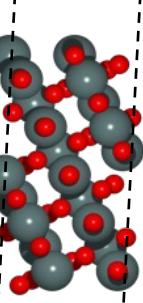
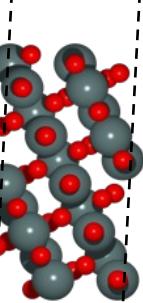
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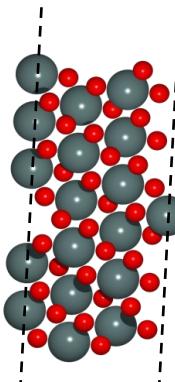
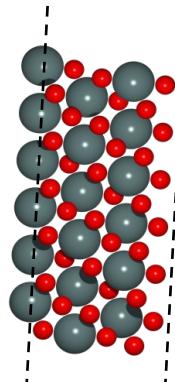
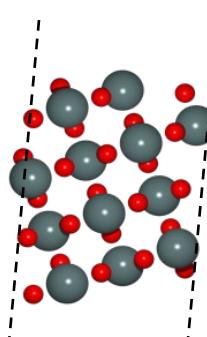
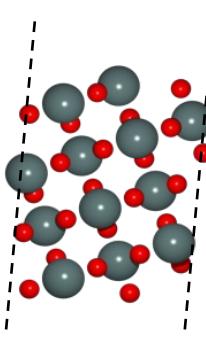
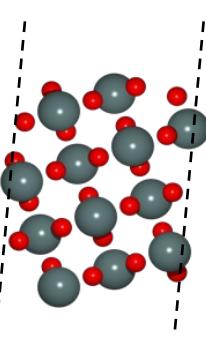
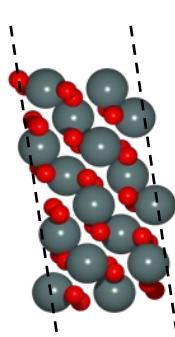
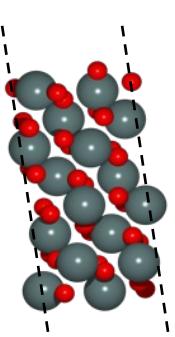
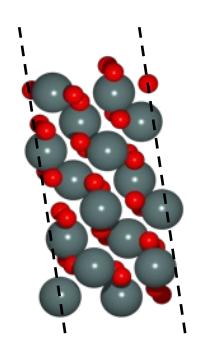
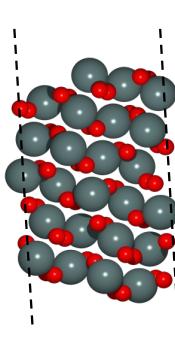
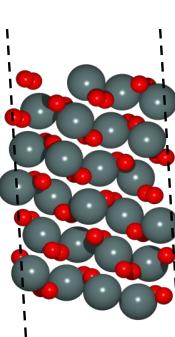
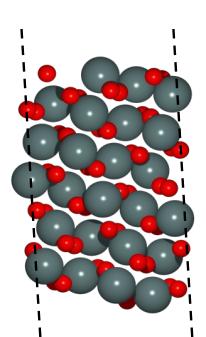
(a) SnO_2
bulk structure



(b)

Surface	Atomistic figures		
$\text{SnO}_2(001)$	Polarity Non-polar	1.40	
$\text{SnO}_2(100)$	Polarity Non-polar	0.67	Polar 2.42
$\text{SnO}_2(101)$	Polarity Non-polar	0.99	Polar 2.58

$\text{SnO}_2(110)$		Polarity Non-polar	Surface energy (eV) 0.65		Polar 2.01
$\text{SnO}_2(111)$		Polar	Surface energy (eV) 1.48		Non-polar 1.86
$\text{SnO}_2(102)$		Polar	Surface energy (eV) 1.74		Non-polar 2.17
$\text{SnO}_2(112)$		Polar	Surface energy (eV) 1.60		Non-polar 2.02

$\text{SnO}_2(201)$			
Polarity	Non-polar	Polar	
Surface energy (eV)	0.99	1.63	
$\text{SnO}_2(210)$			
Polarity	Non-polar	Polar	Polar
Surface energy (eV)	1.16	2.36	1.51
$\text{SnO}_2(211)$			
Polarity	Non-polar	Polar	Polar
Surface energy (eV)	1.03	1.39	2.03
$\text{SnO}_2(212)$			
Polarity	Polar	Polar	Non-polar
Surface energy (eV)	1.27	1.93	1.54

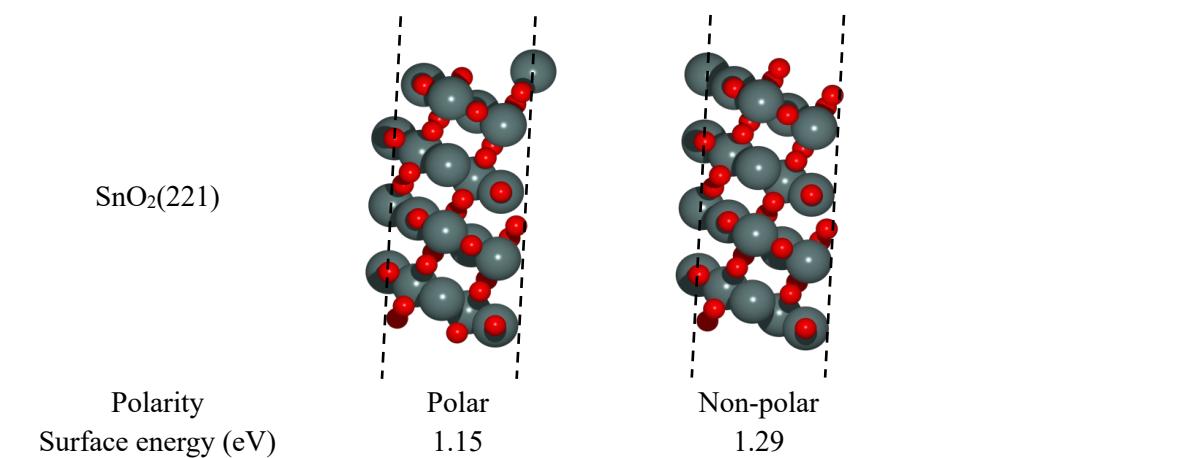


Figure S1. Bulk structure and considered facets of SnO_2 . (a) SnO_2 (mp-856) unit cell corresponding to tetragonal- $P4_2/mnm$ space group, (b) Side views of considered facets (up to miller index 2) of SnO_2 for the surface energy analysis. Polarity and the surface energies of the respective facets are mentioned in the same figure. Color code: dark gray – Sn, red – oxygen.

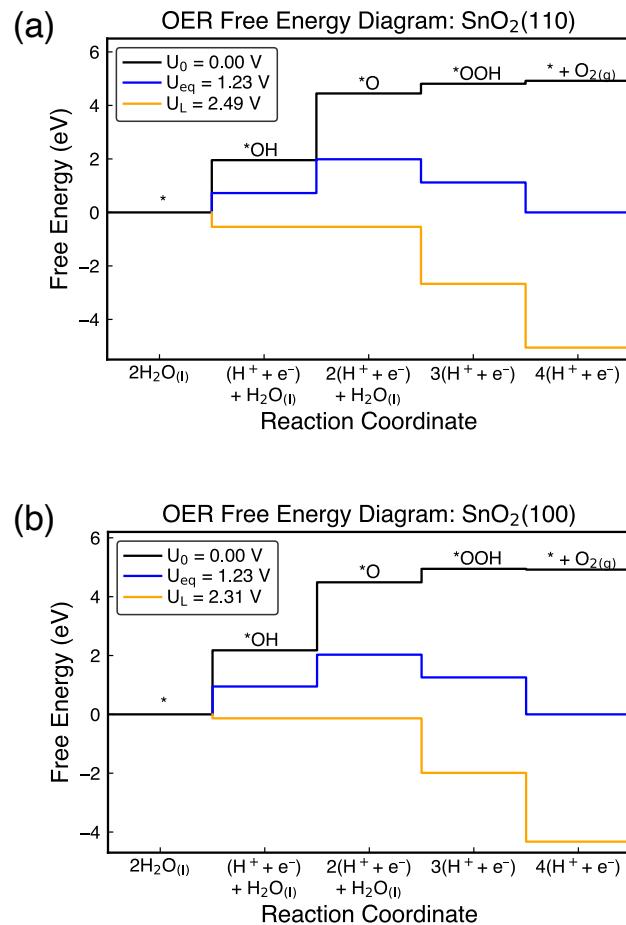


Figure S2. OER activity of pristine $\text{SnO}_2(110)$ and $\text{SnO}_2(100)$ facets. Free energy diagrams for (a) $\text{SnO}_2(110)$ (b) $\text{SnO}_2(100)$ representing the potential dependent adsorption strengths of OER intermediates at $U = 0, 1.23$ and limiting potential (V vs RHE).

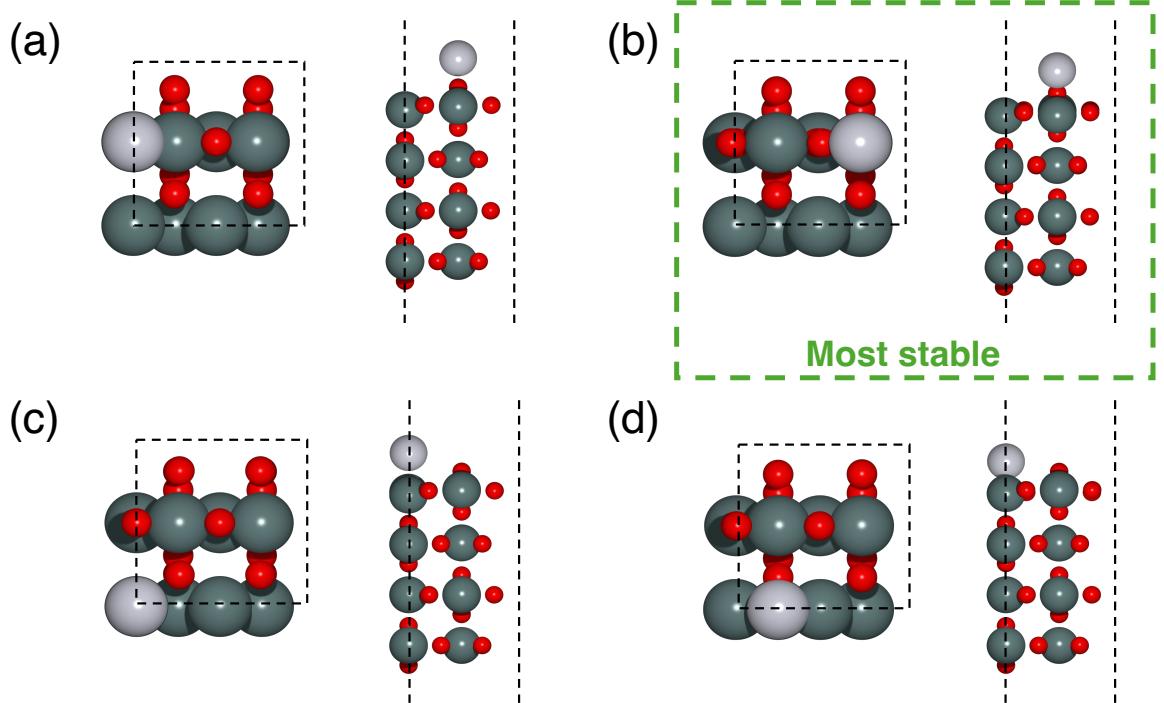


Figure S3. Considered adatom configurations for $\text{SnO}_2(110)$. Several adsorption sites of single TM–SACs were considered as (a), (b), (c) and (d). Left – top view and right – side views were shown for each configuration. Adatom configuration shown in (b) was found to be the most stable for all TM SACs on $\text{SnO}_2(110)$. Color code: dark gray – Sn, red – oxygen and light gray – Ag.

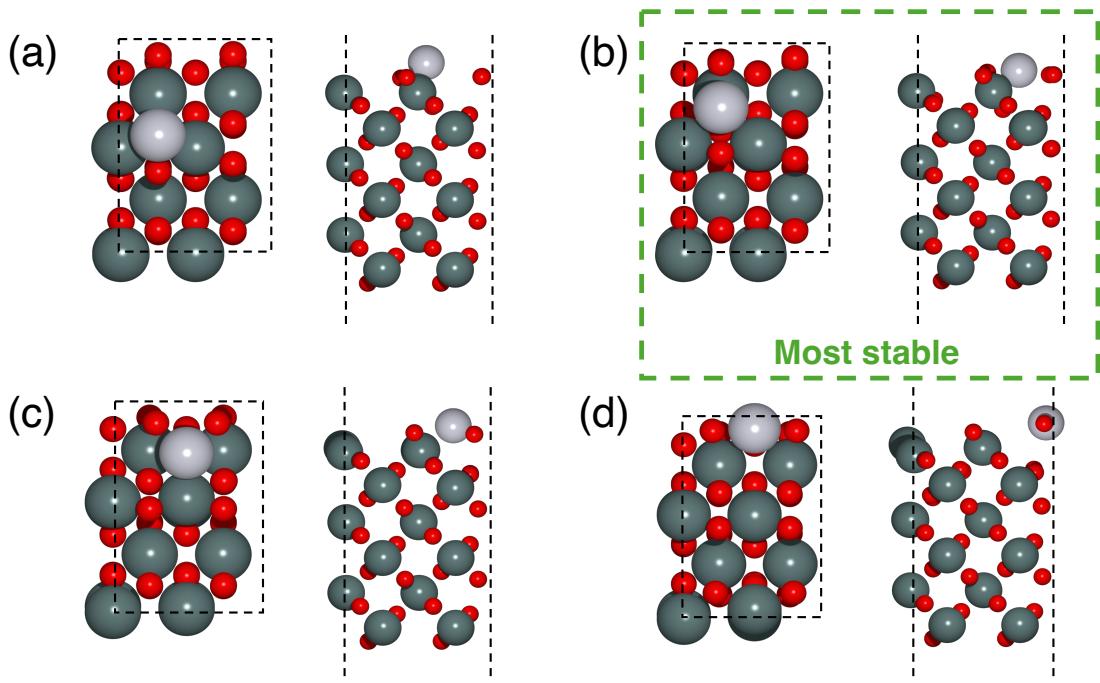


Figure S4. Considered adatom configurations for $\text{SnO}_2(100)$. Several adsorption sites of single TM–SAC were considered as (a), (b), (c) and (d). Left – top view and right – side view were shown for each configuration. Adatom configuration shown in (b) was found to be the most stable for all TM–SACs on $\text{SnO}_2(100)$. Color code: dark gray – Sn, red – oxygen and light gray – Ag.

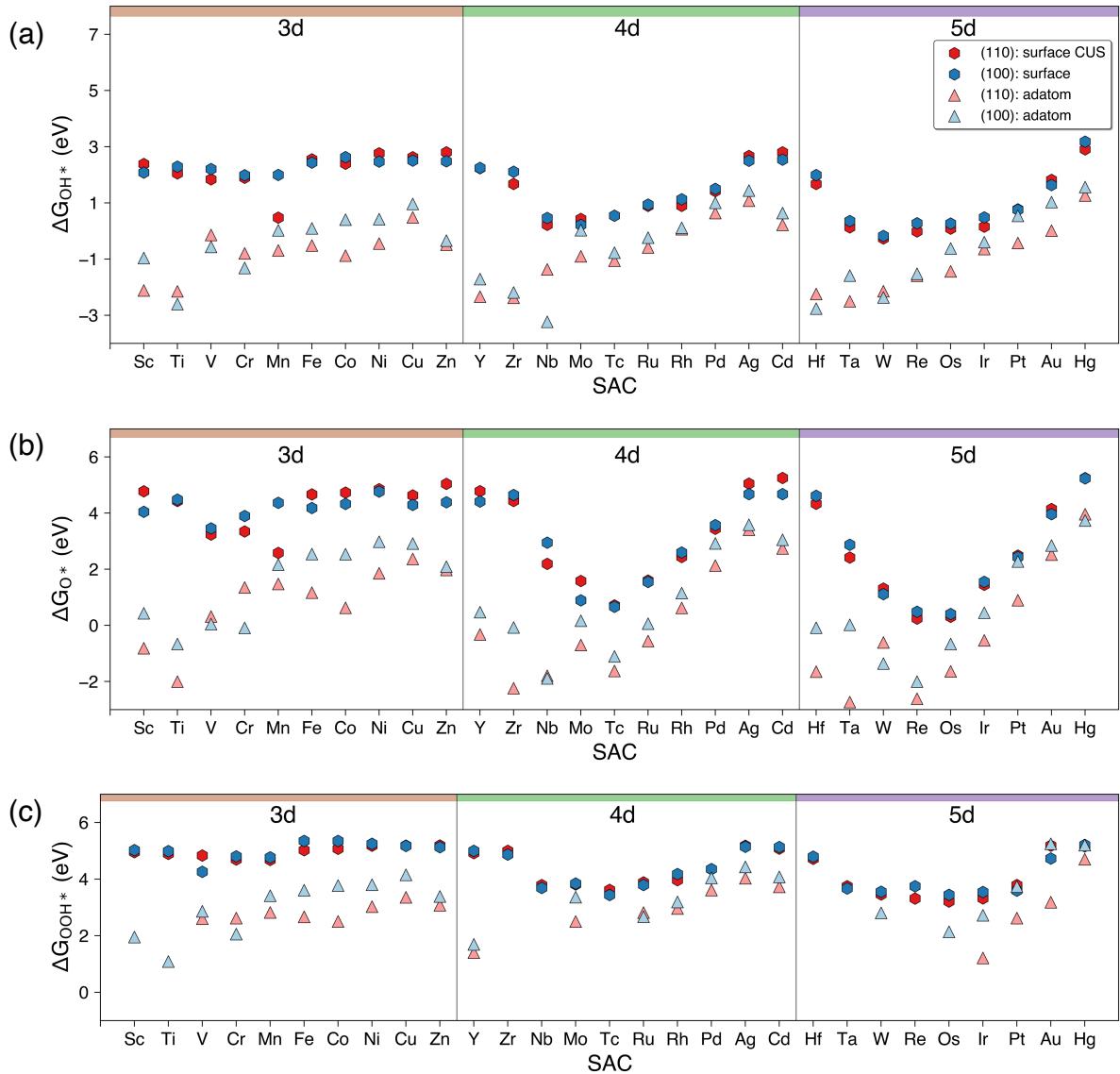


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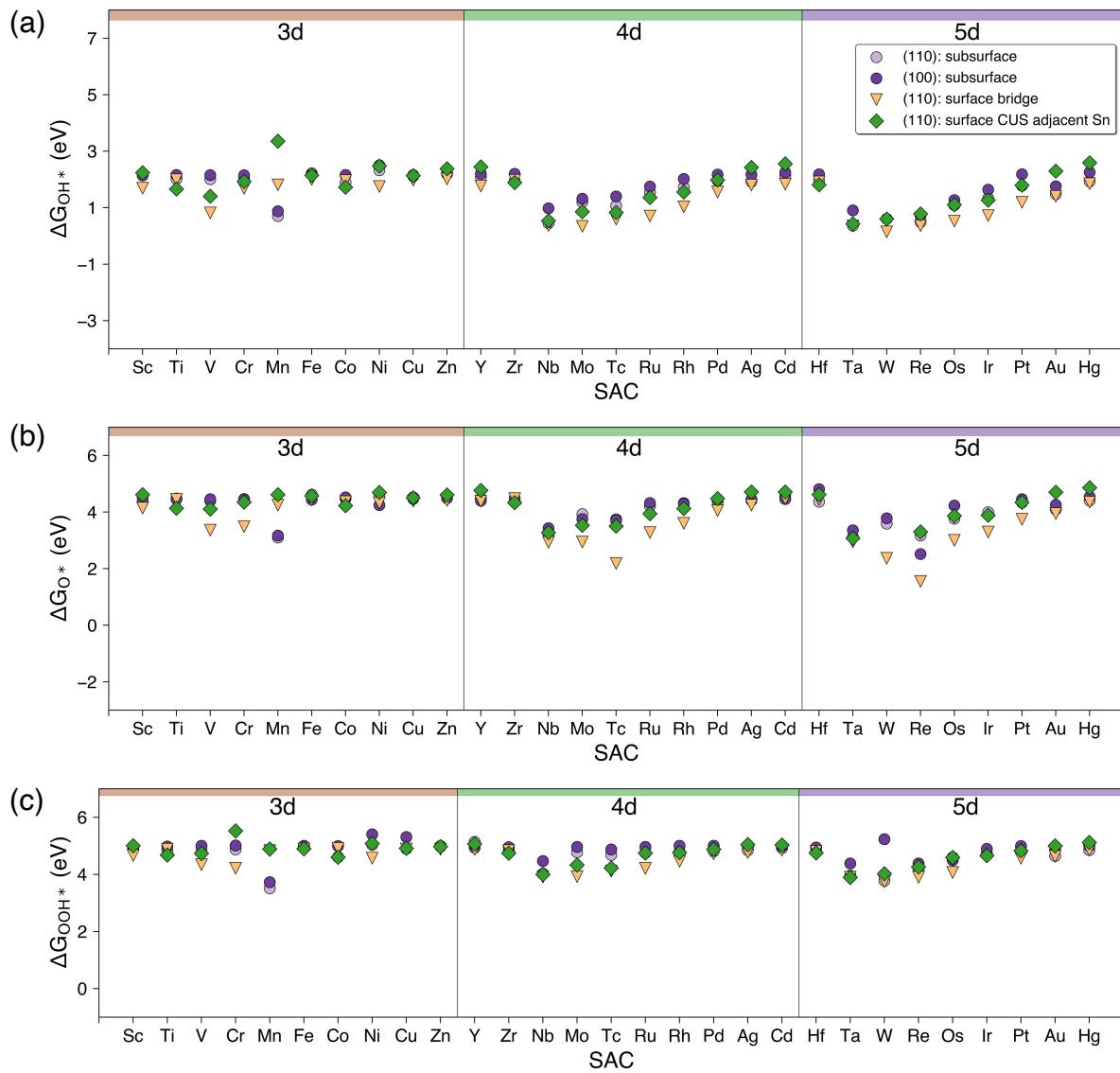
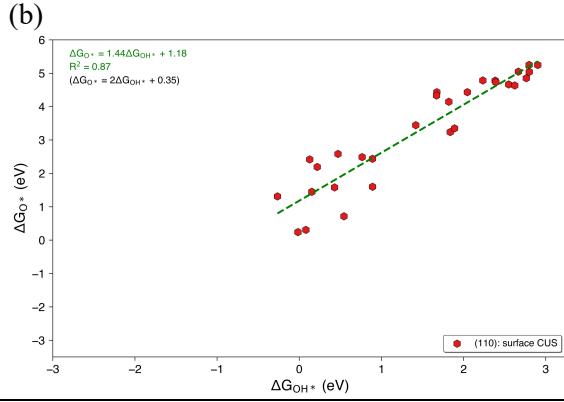
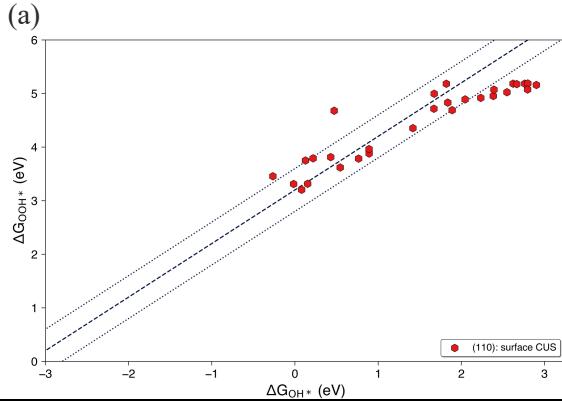
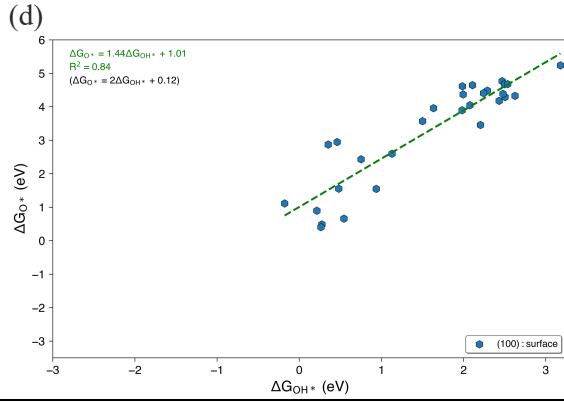
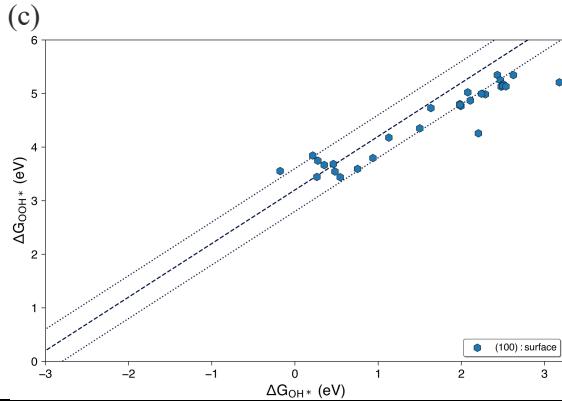


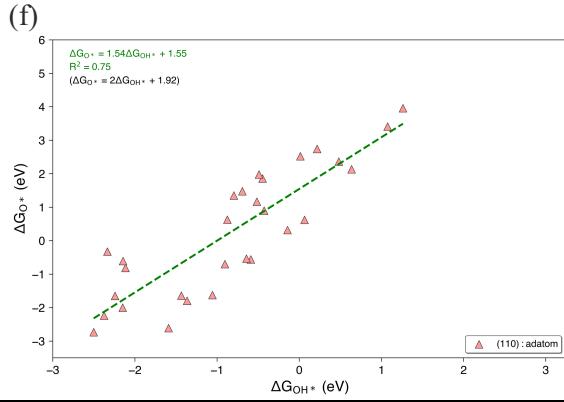
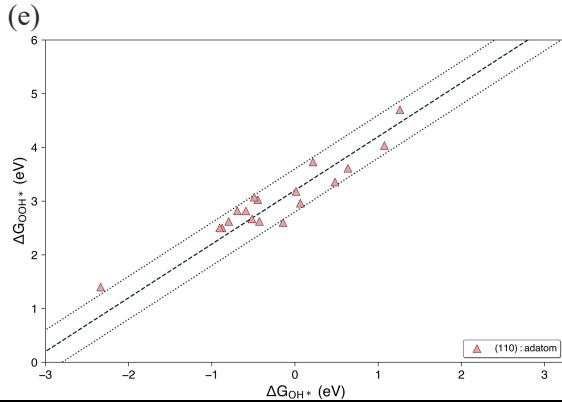
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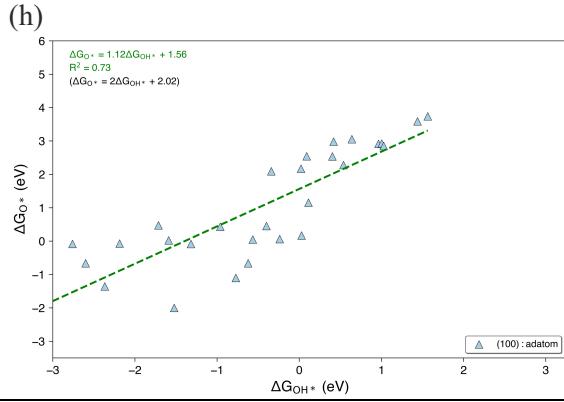
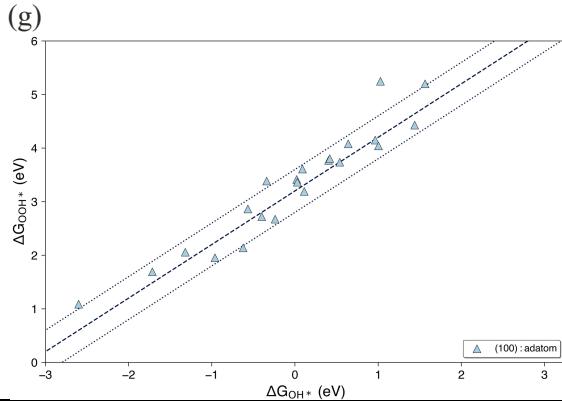
 ΔG_{OOH^*} vs. ΔG_{OH^*}

SAC configuration – (110): surface CUS | Adsorption site – TM SAC

**SAC configuration – (100): surface | Adsorption site – TM SAC**

**SAC configuration – (110): adatom | Adsorption site – TM SAC**

**SAC configuration – (100): adatom | Adsorption site – TM SAC**

**SAC configuration: (110): subsurface | Adsorption site – Sn**

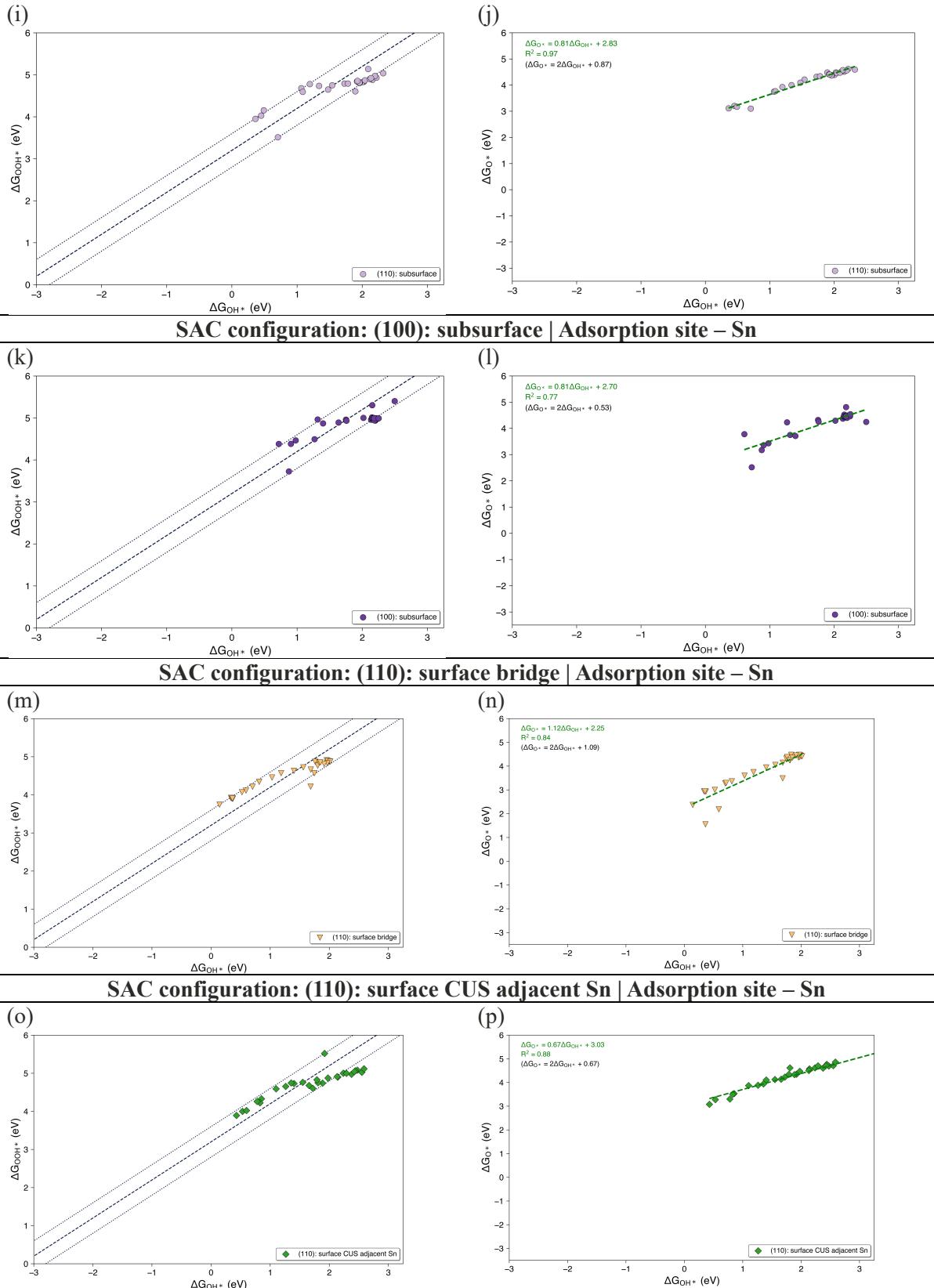


Figure S7. Scaling relations for all the considered SAC configurations. (a–b) $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: surface CUS, (c–d) $\text{SnO}_2(100)$: surface, (e–f) $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: adatom, (g–h) $\text{SnO}_2(100)$: adatom, (i–j) $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: subsurface, (k–l) $\text{SnO}_2(100)$: subsurface, (m–n) $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: surface bridge, and (o–p) $\text{SnO}_2(110)$:surface CUS adjacent Sn. Each pair shows scaling relations of ΔG_{OOH^*} vs. ΔG_{OH^*} and ΔG_O^* vs. ΔG_{OH^*} , respectively.

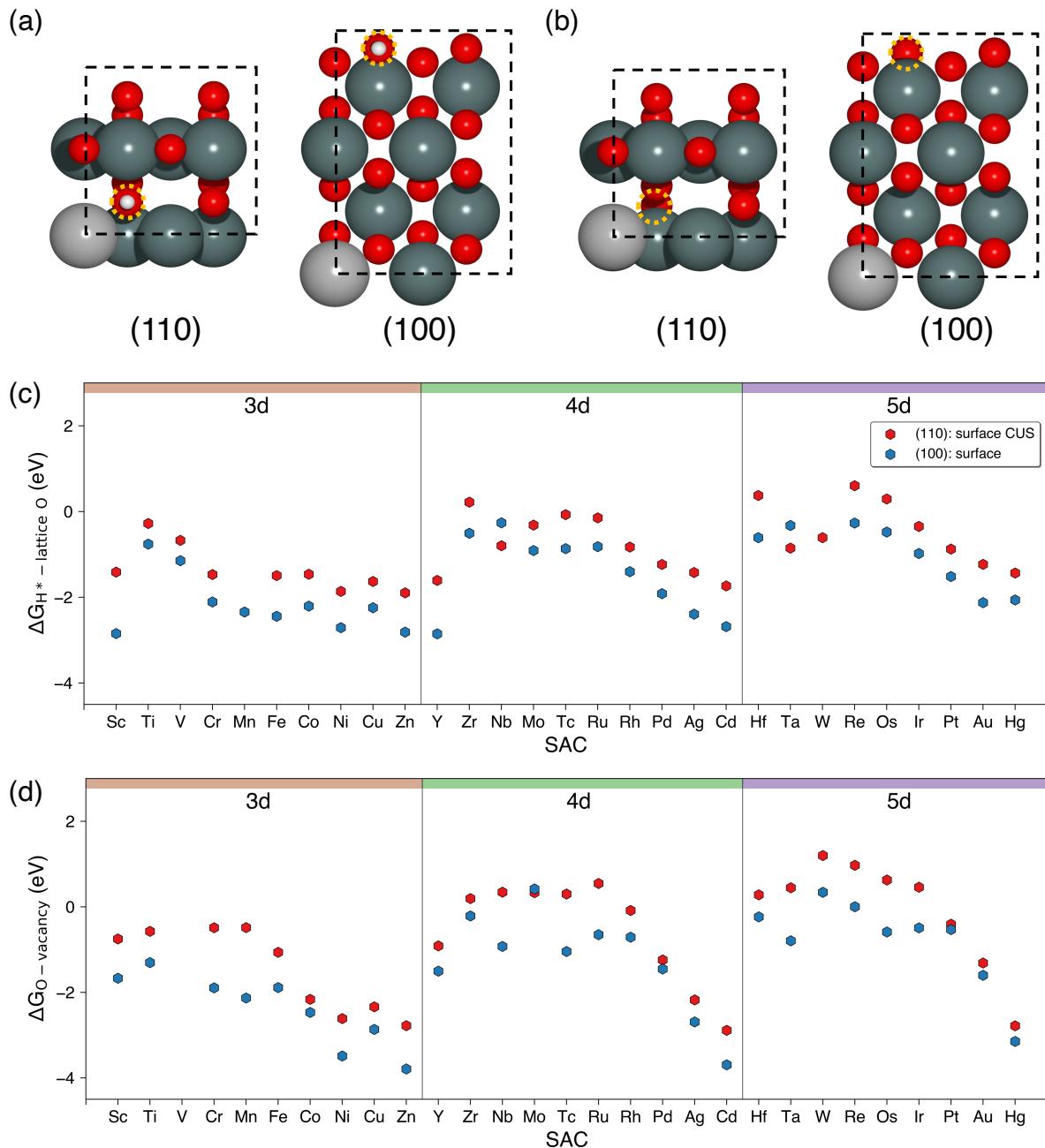


Figure S8. Adsorption energy trend of H^* on lattice O and O-vacancy formation on $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: surface CUS, and $\text{SnO}_2(100)$: surface. Atomic figures of (a) H^* adsorption (b) O-vacancies on $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: surface CUS, and $\text{SnO}_2(100)$: surface. Orange circle represents the location of oxygen atom which H^* is adsorbed and is removed to form O-vacancies. Free energies of adsorption of (c) H^* on lattice-O which is adjacent to surface doped SACs and (d) free energies for O-vacancy creation as function of TM SACs. Note that the oxygen atom which is removed to form an O-vacancy is the same oxygen on which H^* is adsorbed. Color code: dark gray – Sn, red – oxygen, light gray - Ag and white – H.

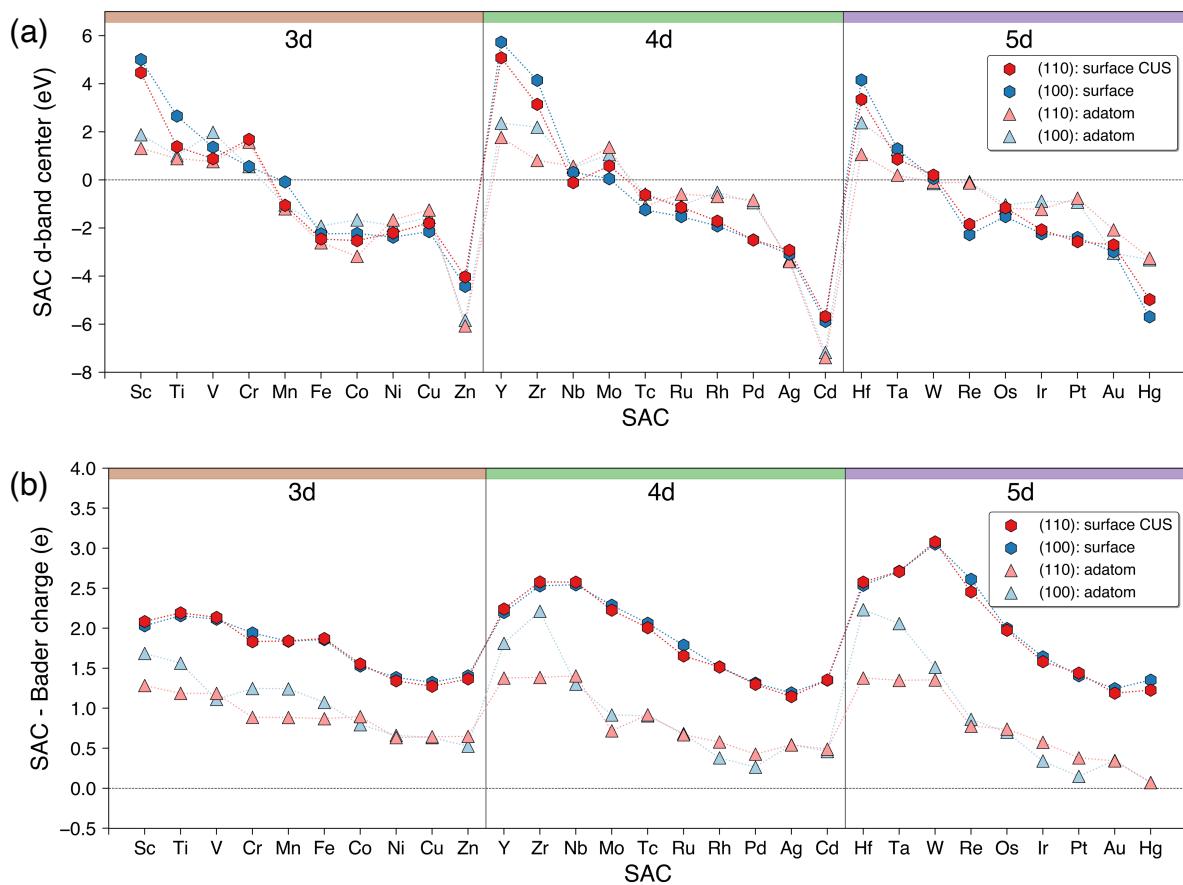


Figure S9. TM–SAC d-band center and SAC Bader charges trends on $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: surface CUS, $\text{SnO}_2(100)$: surface, $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: adatom and $\text{SnO}_2(100)$: adatom configurations. (a) TM–SAC d-band center and (b) Bader charge variations as a function of TM–SACs. Bader charges and TM–SAC d-band centers were calculated in the absence of any adsorbates.

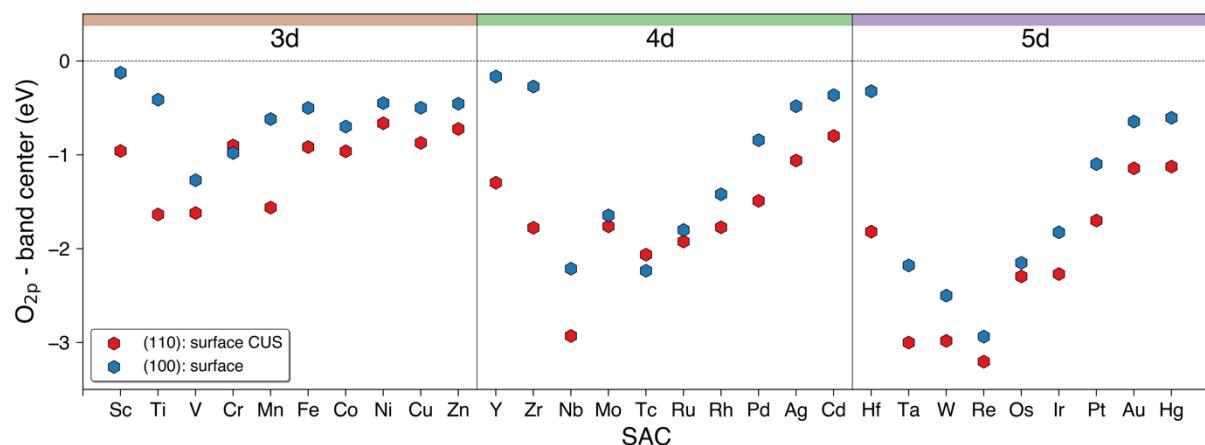


Figure S10. O_{2p} band center trends on $SnO_2(110)$: surface CUS, and $SnO_2(100)$: surface. O_{2p} band centers were calculated for the oxygen atom which is adjacent to the surface SAC atom in the absence of any adsorbates. Note that this oxygen is the same as oxygen considered in **Figure S8**.

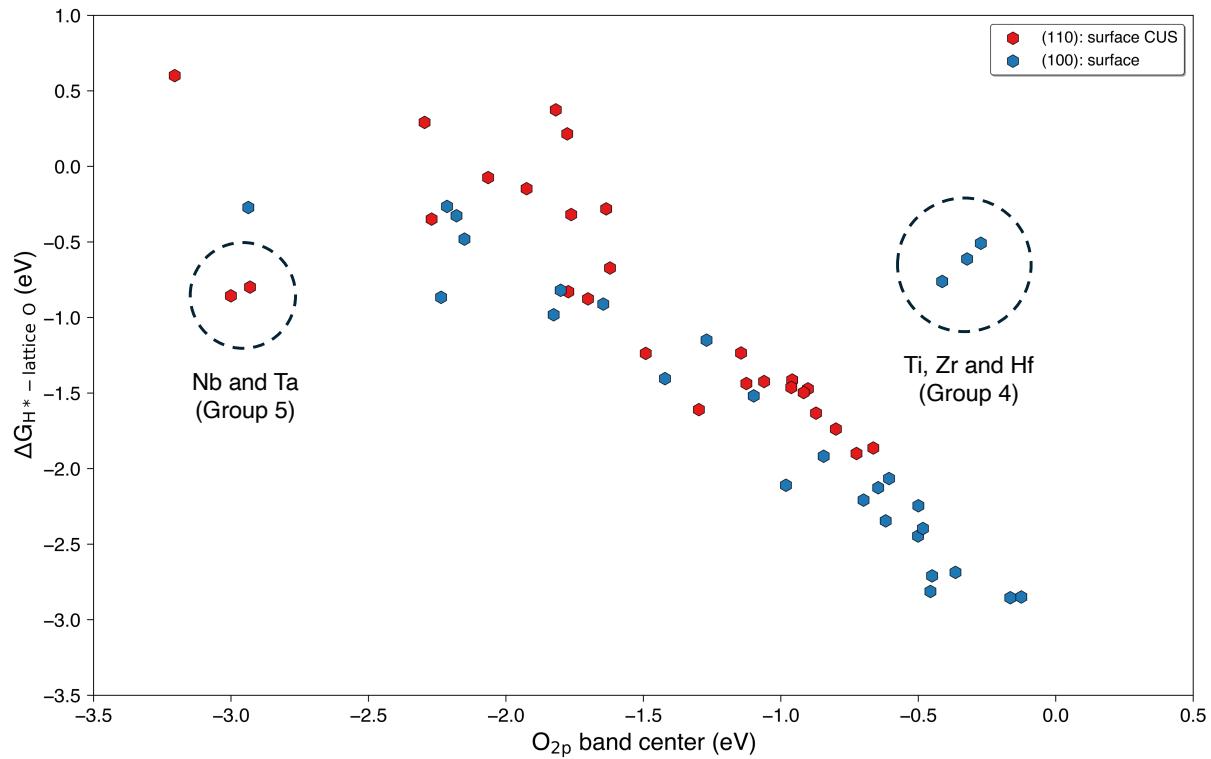


Figure S11. Correlation between H^* free energies on lattice O and O_{2p} band centers of $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: surface CUS, and $\text{SnO}_2(100)$: surface. O_{2p} band centers were calculated for the oxygen which is adjacent to surface doped SAC atom in the absence of any adsorbates, ie. clean surface. Note that this oxygen is the same as oxygen considered in **Figure S8**. Ti, Zr, Hf from group 4 and Nb, Ta for group 5 tend to deviate from the major trend as marked in the figure.

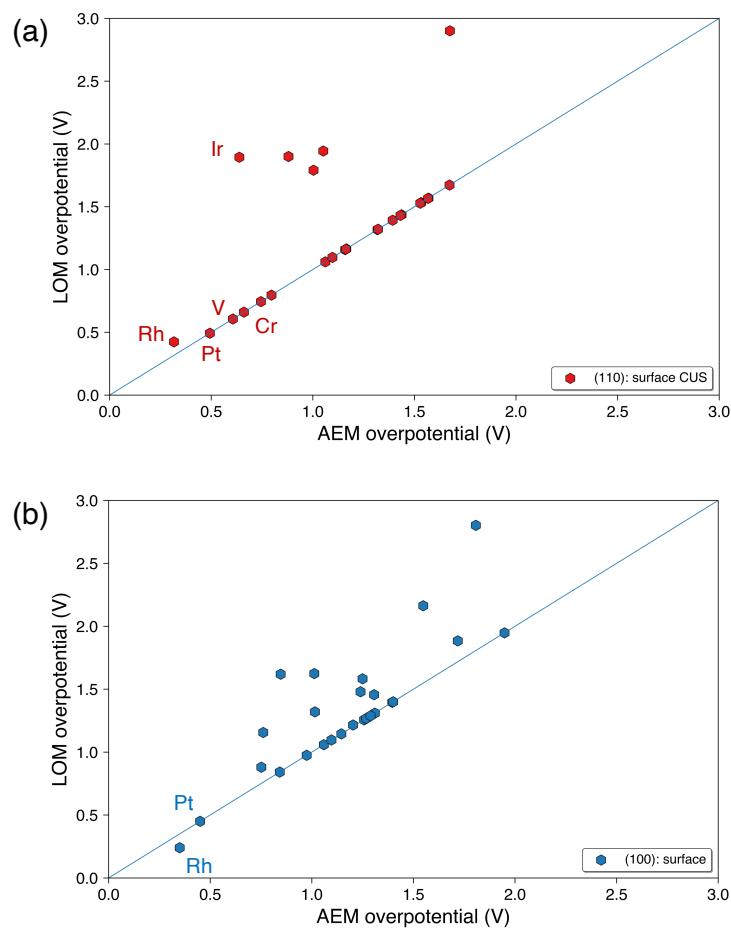


Figure S12. Comparison of AEM (adsorbate evolving mechanism) and LOM (lattice oxygen mechanism) OER overpotentials. LOM overpotential vs AEM overpotential for (a) $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: surface CUS and (b) $\text{SnO}_2(100)$: surface.

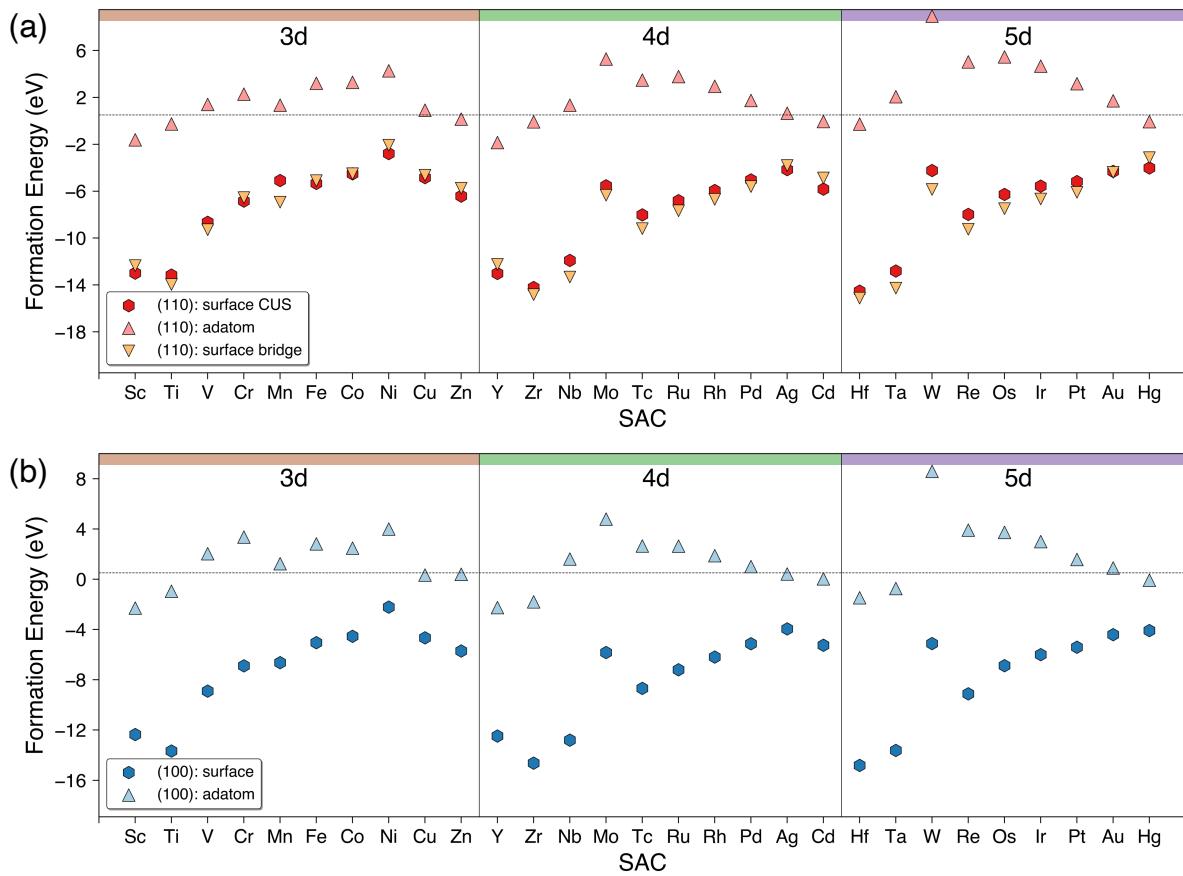


Figure S13. Formation energies of TM–SACs on $\text{SnO}_2(110)$ and $\text{SnO}_2(100)$ based on metal references. Formation energies of (a) $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: surface CUS, $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: adatom, $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: surface bridge and configurations (b) $\text{SnO}_2(100)$: surface and $\text{SnO}_2(100)$: adatom configurations. The dashed line at 0.5 eV in formation energy figures denotes the stability threshold under which all SACs are considered to be potentially stable. Formation energies for surface SACs configurations were calculated considering a surface Sn vacancy site on $\text{SnO}_2(100)$ and $\text{SnO}_2(110)$ as the initial state according to the **reaction 11** while formation energies of surface adatoms were calculated using **reaction 12** in the main manuscript. Reference for the TM–SAC is bulk metallic materials tabulated in **Table S10**.

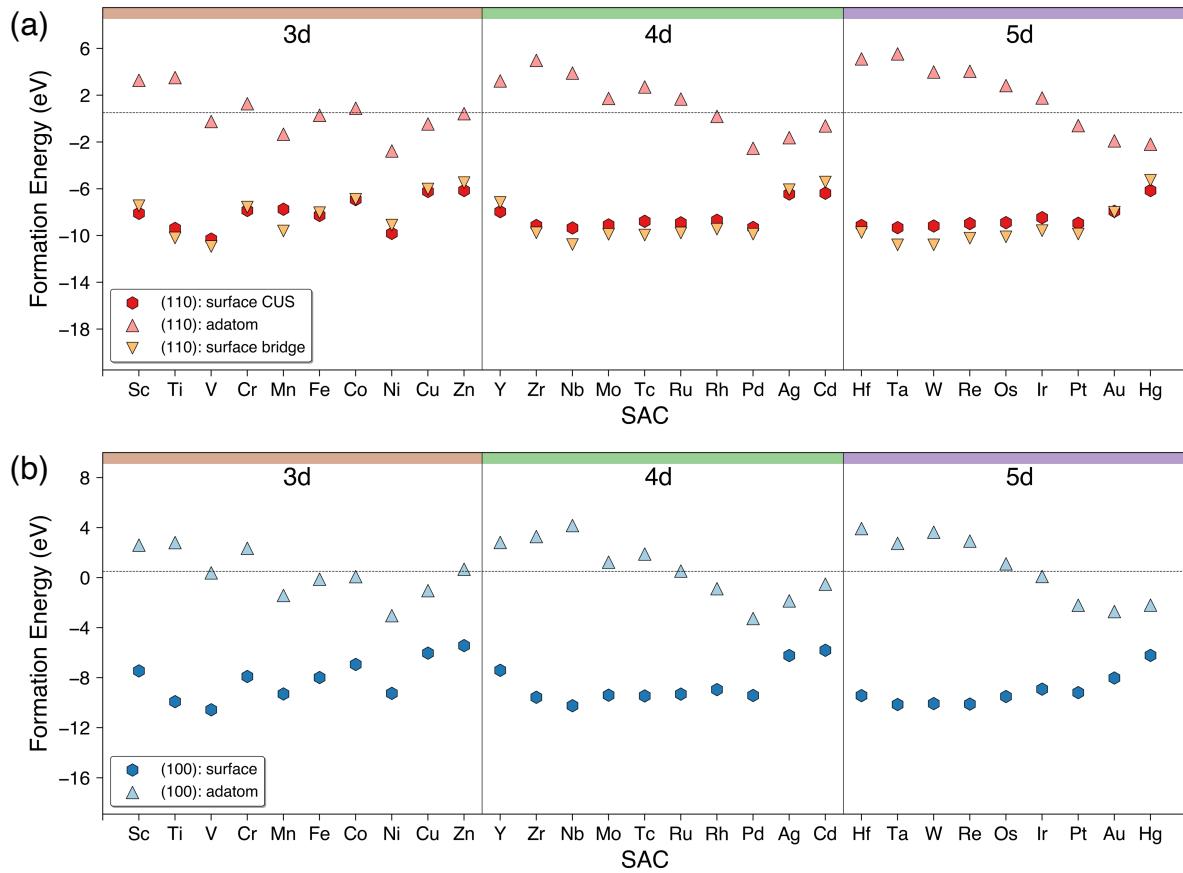
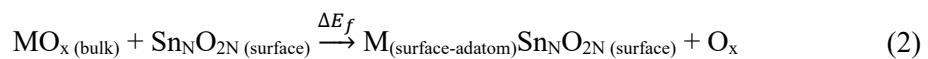
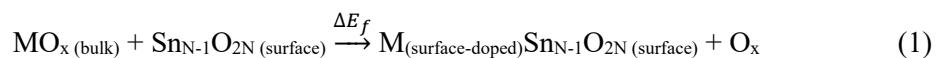


Figure S14. Formation energies of TM–SACs on $\text{SnO}_2(110)$ and $\text{SnO}_2(100)$ based on metal-oxide references. Formation energies of (a) $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: surface CUS, $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: adatom, $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: surface bridge and, (b) $\text{SnO}_2(100)$: surface and $\text{SnO}_2(100)$: adatom configurations. The dashed line at 0.5 eV in formation energy figures denotes the stability threshold under which all SACs are considered to be potentially stable. Formation energies for surface SACs configurations were calculated considering a surface Sn vacancy site on $\text{SnO}_2(100)$ and $\text{SnO}_2(110)$ as the initial state according to the **reaction 1** while formation energies of surface adatoms were calculated using **reaction 2**. Reference for the TM–SAC is bulk oxide materials tabulated in **Table S12**. Reference for the oxygen was taken as $\text{H}_2\text{O}_{(\text{g})} - \text{H}_{2(\text{g})}$.



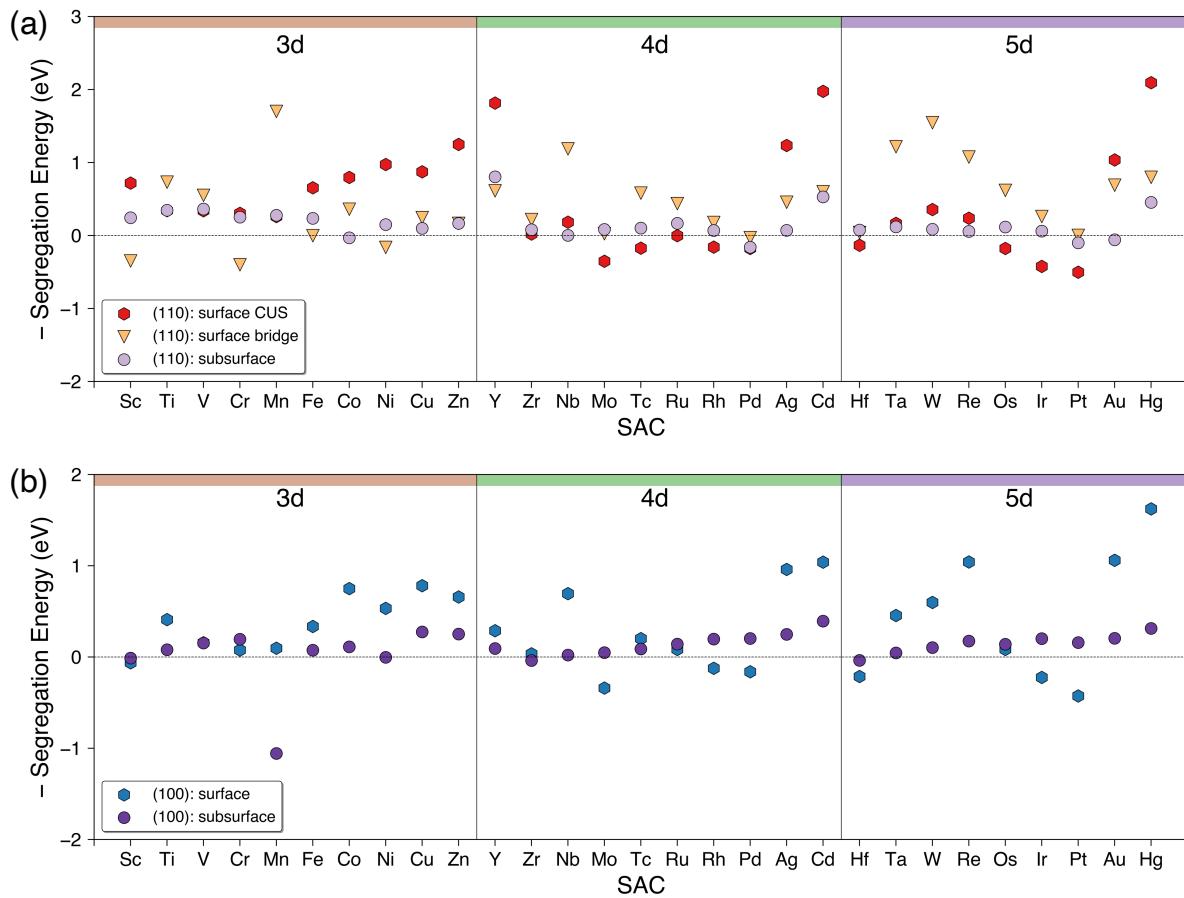


Figure S15. Segregation energies of TM–SACs on $\text{SnO}_2(110)$ and $\text{SnO}_2(100)$. Negative segregation energies of (a) $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: surface CUS, $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: surface bridge and $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: subsurface (b) $\text{SnO}_2(100)$: surface and $\text{SnO}_2(100)$: subsurface SACs. Negative segregation energy indicates the favorability for the migration of TM–SACs which are on the surface (or subsurface) to bulk. Positive values represent that TM–SACs are stable on the surface (or subsurface).

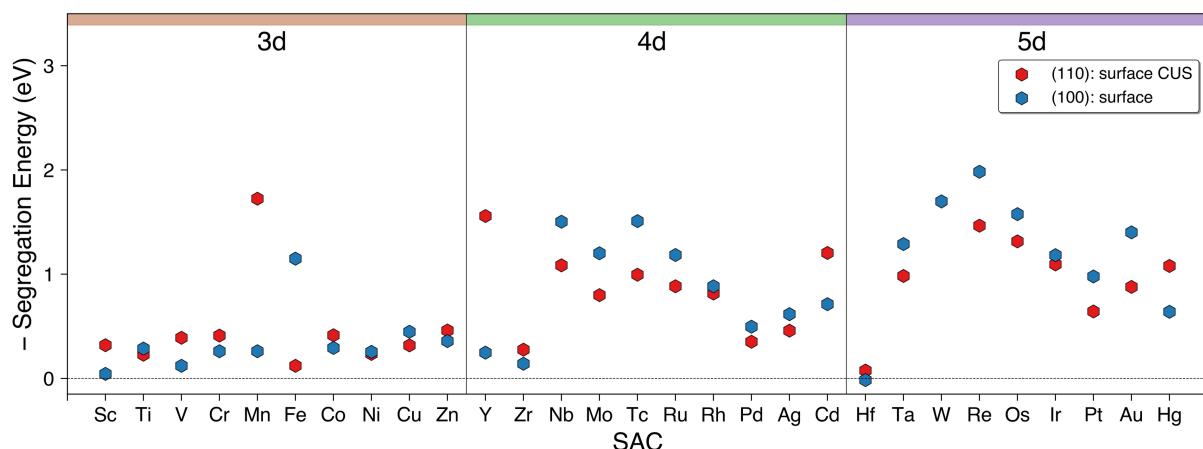


Figure S16. Adsorbate (OH^*) induced segregation energies of TM-SACs on SnO_2 (110) and SnO_2 (100). Negative segregation energy indicates the favorability for the migration of TM-SACs which are on the surface to bulk in the presence of OH^* . Positive values represent that SACs are stable on the surface in the presence of OH^* .

Table S1. Adsorption free energies of OER intermediates ie. O^* , OH^* and OOH^* (eV), universal scaling gradient ie. $\Delta G_{\text{OOH}^*} - \Delta G_{\text{OH}^*}$ (eV), OER activity descriptor ie. $\Delta G_{\text{O}^*} - \Delta G_{\text{OH}^*}$ (eV) and 4e - OER overpotentials (V). Data for all the configurations considered in the current study are included except for 110: bulk and 100: bulk configurations.

Configuration – 110: surface CUS (ads. site - TM)						
TM - SAC	ΔG_{O^*}	ΔG_{OH^*}	ΔG_{OOH^*}	$\Delta G_{\text{OOH}^*} - \Delta G_{\text{OH}^*}$	$\Delta G_{\text{O}^*} - \Delta G_{\text{OH}^*}$	4e - OER overpotential
Sc	4.78	2.38	4.95	2.57	2.39	1.16
Ti	4.43	2.05	4.89	2.85	2.39	1.16
V	3.24	1.84	4.83	2.99	1.40	0.61
Cr	3.35	1.89	4.69	2.80	1.46	0.66
Mn	2.58	0.47	4.68	4.21	2.11	0.88
Fe	4.67	2.55	5.02	2.48	2.12	1.32
Co	4.73	2.39	5.07	2.68	2.34	1.16
Ni	4.85	2.76	5.18	2.42	2.09	1.53
Cu	4.63	2.62	5.18	2.56	2.01	1.39
Zn	5.04	2.80	5.19	2.39	2.24	1.57
Y	4.78	2.23	4.92	2.69	2.55	1.32
Zr	4.43	1.67	5.00	3.32	2.76	1.53
Nb	2.19	0.22	3.79	3.57	1.97	0.74
Mo	1.58	0.43	3.81	3.38	1.15	1.00
Tc	0.71	0.54	3.62	3.08	0.17	1.67
Ru	1.60	0.89	3.88	2.99	0.71	1.05
Rh	2.44	0.89	3.96	3.07	1.55	0.32
Pd	3.44	1.42	4.35	2.94	2.03	0.80
Ag	5.05	2.67	5.18	2.51	2.38	1.44
Cd	5.25	2.80	5.08	2.28	2.45	1.57
Hf	4.33	1.67	4.72	3.05	2.66	1.43
Ta	2.42	0.13	3.75	3.62	2.29	1.06
W	1.31	-0.27	3.46	3.72	1.58	0.91
Re	0.24	-0.02	3.31	3.33	0.26	1.84
Os	0.31	0.08	3.21	3.12	0.23	1.67
Ir	1.45	0.15	3.32	3.16	1.29	0.64
Pt	2.49	0.77	3.79	3.02	1.72	0.49
Au	4.15	1.82	5.18	3.36	2.33	1.10
Hg	5.25	2.90	5.16	2.26	2.34	1.67

Configuration – 100: surface (ads. site - TM)						
TM - SAC	ΔG_{O^*}	ΔG_{OH^*}	ΔG_{OOH^*}	$\Delta G_{OOH^*} - \Delta G_{OH^*}$	$\Delta G_{O^*} - \Delta G_{OH^*}$	4e - OER overpotential
Sc	4.05	2.08	5.02	2.95	1.97	0.85
Ti	4.48	2.29	4.99	2.70	2.19	1.06
V	3.46	2.20	4.26	2.05	1.25	0.97
Cr	3.90	1.98	4.80	2.82	1.92	0.75
Mn	4.37	1.99	4.77	2.77	2.38	1.15
Fe	4.18	2.43	5.35	2.91	1.75	1.20
Co	4.33	2.63	5.35	2.72	1.70	1.40
Ni	4.77	2.47	5.25	2.78	2.30	1.24
Cu	4.29	2.50	5.17	2.67	1.79	1.27
Zn	4.39	2.48	5.13	2.65	1.91	1.25
Y	4.41	2.24	5.00	2.75	2.17	1.01
Zr	4.65	2.11	4.87	2.76	2.54	1.31
Nb	2.95	0.46	3.69	3.22	2.49	1.26
Mo	0.89	0.21	3.84	3.63	0.68	1.72
Tc	0.66	0.54	3.44	2.90	0.12	1.55
Ru	1.55	0.94	3.79	2.86	0.61	1.02
Rh	2.60	1.13	4.18	3.05	1.47	0.35
Pd	3.57	1.50	-	-	2.07	-
Ag	4.68	2.50	5.14	2.64	2.18	1.27
Cd	4.68	2.54	5.13	2.60	2.14	1.31
Hf	4.62	1.99	4.79	2.81	2.63	1.40
Ta	2.87	0.35	3.67	3.31	2.52	1.29
W	1.11	-0.18	3.55	3.73	1.29	1.21
Re	0.49	0.27	3.75	3.47	0.21	2.03
Os	0.41	0.26	3.44	3.18	0.14	1.81
Ir	1.55	0.48	3.54	3.06	1.07	0.76
Pt	2.43	0.75	3.59	2.84	1.68	0.45
Au	3.96	1.63	4.73	3.09	2.33	1.10
Hg	5.24	3.18	5.21	2.03	2.06	1.95

Configuration – 110: adatom (ads. site - TM)						
TM - SAC	ΔG_O^*	ΔG_{OH}^*	ΔG_{OOH}^*	$\Delta G_{OOH}^* - \Delta G_{OH}^*$	$\Delta G_O^* - \Delta G_{OH}^*$	4e - OER overpotential
Sc	-0.81	-2.12	-	-	1.30	-
Ti	-2.00	-2.15	-	-	0.15	-
V	0.32	-0.14	2.60	2.74	0.46	1.09
Cr	1.35	-0.80	2.62	3.42	2.15	1.07
Mn	1.48	-0.69	2.82	3.51	2.17	0.94
Fe	1.17	-0.52	2.67	3.19	1.68	1.02
Co	0.63	-0.88	2.50	3.38	1.50	1.19
Ni	1.86	-0.45	3.03	3.48	2.30	1.07
Cu	2.37	0.48	3.36	2.87	1.88	0.65
Zn	1.98	-0.49	3.08	3.57	2.47	1.24
Y	-0.32	-2.34	1.40	3.74	2.01	2.29
Zr	-2.24	-2.38	-	-	0.14	-
Nb	-1.79	-1.37	-	-	-0.43	-
Mo	-0.70	-0.90	2.50	3.41	0.20	1.97
Tc	-1.62	-1.06	-	-	-0.57	-
Ru	-0.56	-0.59	2.82	3.41	0.03	2.15
Rh	0.62	0.06	2.96	2.90	0.56	1.11
Pd	2.13	0.64	3.61	2.98	1.50	0.27
Ag	3.41	1.08	4.03	2.96	2.33	1.10
Cd	2.74	0.22	3.73	3.51	2.53	1.30
Hf	-1.65	-2.24	-	-	0.59	-
Ta	-2.73	-2.50	-	-	-0.23	-
W	-0.61	-	-	-	-	-
Re	-2.61	-1.59	-	-	-1.02	-
Os	-1.64	-1.44	-	-	-0.20	-
Ir	-0.53	-0.64	-	-	0.11	-
Pt	0.90	-0.43	2.62	3.05	1.33	1.07
Au	2.52	0.01	3.18	3.17	2.51	1.28
Hg	3.96	1.26	4.70	3.44	2.70	1.47

Configuration - 100: adatom (ads. site - TM)						
TM - SAC	ΔG_O^*	ΔG_{OH}^*	ΔG_{OOH}^*	$\Delta G_{OOH}^* - \Delta G_{OH}^*$	$\Delta G_O^* - \Delta G_{OH}^*$	4e - OER overpotential
Sc	0.43	-0.96	1.95	2.92	1.39	1.74
Ti	-0.66	-2.60	1.09	3.69	1.94	2.60
V	0.05	-0.57	2.86	3.43	0.61	1.59
Cr	-0.09	-1.32	2.06	3.38	1.23	1.63
Mn	2.17	0.02	3.41	3.39	2.15	0.92
Fe	2.54	0.09	3.61	3.52	2.45	1.22
Co	2.54	0.40	3.77	3.37	2.14	0.91
Ni	2.98	0.42	3.80	3.39	2.56	1.33
Cu	2.92	0.96	4.15	3.19	1.95	0.72
Zn	2.09	-0.34	3.39	3.73	2.43	1.20
Y	0.47	-1.71	1.69	3.41	2.19	2.00
Zr	-0.07	-2.19	-	-	2.11	-
Nb	-1.89	-3.23	-	-	1.34	-
Mo	0.17	0.03	3.36	3.34	0.14	1.97
Tc	-1.10	-0.77	-	-	-0.33	-
Ru	0.06	-0.24	2.67	2.91	0.30	1.38
Rh	1.15	0.11	3.19	3.08	1.04	0.81
Pd	2.92	1.00	4.04	3.04	1.92	0.69
Ag	3.59	1.44	4.43	2.99	2.15	0.92
Cd	3.05	0.64	4.08	3.44	2.41	1.18
Hf	-0.08	-2.76	-	-	2.68	-
Ta	0.02	-1.59	-	-	1.61	-
W	-1.36	-2.37	-	-	1.01	-
Re	-2.00	-1.52	-	-	-0.48	-
Os	-0.66	-0.62	2.14	2.76	-0.04	1.57
Ir	0.45	-0.40	2.72	3.12	0.85	1.04
Pt	2.28	0.54	3.74	3.20	1.74	0.51
Au	2.85	1.03	5.25	4.22	1.82	1.17
Hg	3.74	1.56	5.20	3.64	2.17	0.94

Configuration – 110: subsurface (ads. site - Sn)						
TM - SAC	ΔG_O^*	ΔG_{OH^*}	ΔG_{OOH^*}	$\Delta G_{OOH^*} - \Delta G_{OH^*}$	$\Delta G_O^* - \Delta G_{OH^*}$	4e - OER overpotential
Sc	4.52	2.16	4.88	2.73	2.36	1.13
Ti	4.48	2.02	4.83	2.81	2.46	1.23
V	4.39	2.01	4.83	2.83	2.39	1.16
Cr	4.46	2.04	4.87	2.83	2.42	1.19
Mn	3.10	0.70	3.51	2.81	2.40	1.17
Fe	4.62	2.22	4.93	2.72	2.40	1.17
Co	4.48	1.89	4.61	2.71	2.59	1.36
Ni	4.60	2.32	5.04	2.72	2.27	1.09
Cu	4.52	2.12	4.90	2.79	2.41	1.18
Zn	4.56	2.19	4.97	2.78	2.37	1.14
Y	4.48	2.09	5.14	3.05	2.39	1.16
Zr	4.39	1.95	4.81	2.87	2.44	1.21
Nb	3.21	0.45	4.03	3.58	2.76	1.53
Mo	3.93	1.20	4.78	3.58	2.73	1.50
Tc	3.75	1.07	4.68	3.62	2.68	1.45
Ru	4.21	1.54	4.75	3.21	2.67	1.44
Rh	4.32	1.73	4.79	3.06	2.59	1.36
Pd	4.37	1.96	4.81	2.85	2.41	1.18
Ag	4.41	1.92	4.85	2.93	2.49	1.26
Cd	4.57	2.13	4.92	2.79	2.44	1.21
Hf	4.37	1.96	4.82	2.86	2.41	1.18
Ta	3.11	0.36	3.95	3.59	2.75	1.52
W	-	-	3.78	-	-	-
Re	3.17	0.49	4.16	3.67	2.68	1.45
Os	3.77	1.09	4.60	3.51	2.68	1.45
Ir	4.00	1.34	4.74	3.40	2.66	1.43
Pt	4.34	1.78	4.79	3.01	2.56	1.33
Au	4.09	1.48	4.65	3.17	2.62	1.39
Hg	4.41	1.93	4.86	2.93	2.48	1.25

Configuration – 100: subsurface (ads. site - Sn)						
TM - SAC	ΔG_O^*	ΔG_{OH^*}	ΔG_{OOH^*}	$\Delta G_{OOH^*} - \Delta G_{OH^*}$	$\Delta G_O^* - \Delta G_{OH^*}$	4e - OER overpotential
Sc	4.37	2.14	4.96	2.82	2.24	1.01
Ti	4.45	2.16	4.98	2.82	2.30	1.07
V	4.46	2.15	5.00	2.85	2.31	1.08
Cr	4.45	2.15	5.01	2.87	2.31	1.08
Mn	3.17	0.87	3.73	2.85	2.30	1.07
Fe	4.44	2.17	5.00	2.84	2.28	1.05
Co	4.52	2.16	4.99	2.84	2.37	1.14
Ni	4.25	2.50	5.40	2.91	1.75	1.27
Cu	4.47	2.15	5.31	3.15	2.31	1.08
Zn	4.49	2.22	4.99	2.78	2.28	1.05
Y	4.40	2.20	4.94	2.74	2.20	0.97
Zr	4.49	2.20	4.95	2.76	2.29	1.06
Nb	3.43	0.98	4.47	3.49	2.45	1.22
Mo	3.75	1.32	4.96	3.65	2.44	1.21
Tc	3.71	1.40	4.87	3.47	2.31	1.08
Ru	4.32	1.75	4.96	3.21	2.57	1.34
Rh	4.29	2.02	5.00	2.99	2.28	1.05
Pd	4.46	2.17	5.00	2.83	2.29	1.06
Ag	4.45	2.17	4.98	2.80	2.28	1.05
Cd	4.46	2.25	4.99	2.74	2.22	1.02
Hf	4.81	2.18	4.94	2.76	2.63	1.40
Ta	3.36	0.90	4.38	3.48	2.45	1.22
W	3.78	0.60	-	-	3.18	-
Re	2.52	0.72	4.38	3.66	1.80	0.63
Os	4.23	1.27	4.50	3.23	2.97	1.74
Ir	-	1.64	4.89	3.26	-	-
Pt	4.46	2.18	4.99	2.81	2.28	1.05
Au	4.26	1.76	4.94	3.18	2.50	1.27
Hg	4.54	2.25	4.99	2.74	2.29	1.06

Configuration – 110: surface bridge (ads. site - Sn)						
TM - SAC	ΔG_O^*	ΔG_{OH}^*	ΔG_{OOH}^*	$\Delta G_{OOH}^* - \Delta G_{OH}^*$	$\Delta G_O^* - \Delta G_{OH}^*$	4e - OER overpotential
Sc	4.14	1.69	4.66	2.98	2.46	1.23
Ti	4.45	1.99	4.88	2.89	2.46	1.23
V	3.36	0.81	4.34	3.53	2.55	1.32
Cr	3.49	1.68	4.22	2.53	1.80	0.57
Mn	4.25	1.81	4.83	3.02	2.44	1.21
Fe	4.42	2.00	4.88	2.89	2.43	1.20
Co	4.37	1.96	4.91	2.95	2.41	1.18
Ni	4.32	1.75	4.57	2.82	2.57	1.34
Cu	4.39	1.97	4.89	2.91	2.42	1.19
Zn	4.41	2.02	4.88	2.86	2.40	1.17
Y	4.38	1.76	4.87	3.11	2.62	1.39
Zr	4.48	1.97	4.83	2.87	2.51	1.28
Nb	2.93	0.37	3.91	3.54	2.56	1.33
Mo	2.94	0.34	3.92	3.59	2.60	1.37
Tc	2.19	0.59	4.11	3.52	1.60	0.70
Ru	3.28	0.70	4.21	3.51	2.58	1.35
Rh	3.60	1.03	4.46	3.42	2.57	1.34
Pd	4.05	1.56	4.72	3.16	2.49	1.26
Ag	4.25	1.80	4.77	2.96	2.45	1.22
Cd	4.48	1.83	4.85	3.02	2.65	1.42
Hf	4.45	1.91	4.81	2.90	2.54	1.31
Ta	2.94	0.35	3.90	3.55	2.59	1.36
W	-	0.14	3.74	3.60	-	-
Re	1.55	0.36	3.90	3.54	1.19	1.12
Os	3.00	0.52	4.07	3.55	2.48	1.25
Ir	3.30	0.72	-	-	2.58	-
Pt	3.75	1.19	4.57	3.38	2.56	1.33
Au	3.95	1.40	4.63	3.23	2.55	1.32
Hg	4.35	1.85	4.85	3.00	2.50	1.27

Configuration – 110: surface CUS adjacent Sn (ads. site - Sn)						
TM - SAC	ΔG_O^*	ΔG_{OH^*}	ΔG_{OOH^*}	$\Delta G_{OOH^*} - \Delta G_{OH^*}$	$\Delta G_O^* - \Delta G_{OH^*}$	4e - OER overpotential
Sc	4.62	2.24	5.00	2.76	2.38	1.15
Ti	4.14	1.66	4.68	3.02	2.48	1.25
V	4.11	1.40	4.73	3.33	2.70	1.47
Cr	4.35	1.92	5.52	3.60	2.43	1.20
Mn	4.62	3.35	4.89	1.53	1.26	2.12
Fe	4.57	2.14	4.90	2.76	2.43	1.20
Co	4.23	1.72	4.60	2.88	2.51	1.28
Ni	4.70	2.47	5.08	2.61	2.22	1.24
Cu	4.51	2.13	4.91	2.78	2.37	1.14
Zn	4.61	2.38	4.97	2.60	2.23	1.15
Y	4.77	2.44	5.07	2.63	2.33	1.21
Zr	4.33	1.89	4.74	2.85	2.45	1.22
Nb	3.28	0.53	4.00	3.47	2.75	1.52
Mo	3.53	0.85	4.33	3.48	2.68	1.45
Tc	3.50	0.83	4.22	3.39	2.68	1.45
Ru	3.94	1.36	4.75	3.39	2.58	1.35
Rh	4.13	1.55	4.76	3.21	2.58	1.35
Pd	4.48	1.98	4.88	2.90	2.50	1.27
Ag	4.71	2.42	5.04	2.62	2.29	1.19
Cd	4.71	2.55	5.03	2.47	2.16	1.32
Hf	4.62	1.81	4.75	2.94	2.81	1.58
Ta	3.08	0.43	3.89	3.46	2.65	1.42
W	-	0.60	4.02	3.42	-	-
Re	3.30	0.78	4.26	3.48	2.52	1.29
Os	3.87	1.10	4.59	3.49	2.77	1.54
Ir	3.89	1.26	4.66	3.39	2.62	1.39
Pt	4.34	1.79	4.83	3.04	2.55	1.32
Au	4.70	2.29	5.00	2.71	2.41	1.18
Hg	4.86	2.59	5.12	2.53	2.28	1.36

Table S2. Adsorption free energies of OH* for 110: bulk and 100: bulk configurations. Note that the adsorption site is Sn for both of these configurations.

TM-SAC	ΔG_{OH^*} (eV)	
	110: bulk	100: bulk
Sc	1.99	2.19
Ti	1.93	2.17
V	1.89	2.17
Cr	2.00	2.17
Mn	1.94	2.16
Fe	2.02	3.25
Co	2.01	2.17
Ni	2.03	2.19
Cu	2.07	2.17
Zn	2.01	2.18
Y	1.98	2.20
Zr	1.93	2.21
Nb	1.12	1.27
Mo	1.58	1.76
Tc	1.71	1.85
Ru	1.78	2.04
Rh	1.87	2.14
Pd	1.95	2.16
Ag	1.89	2.16
Cd	2.03	2.21
Hf	1.88	2.19
Ta	0.95	1.19
W	-	0.92
Re	1.21	1.22
Os	1.57	1.76
Ir	1.67	1.89
Pt	1.91	2.16
Au	1.66	1.98
Hg	1.89	2.20

Table S3. Adsorption free energies of H* on lattice O which is adjacent to the surface TM-SAC and free energy for oxygen vacancy formation for 110: surface CUS and 100: surface configurations.

TM - SAC	110: surface CUS		100: surface	
	$\Delta G_{H^* - \text{lattice O}}$	$\Delta G_{O - \text{vacancy}}$	$\Delta G_{H^* - \text{lattice O}}$	$\Delta G_{O - \text{vacancy}}$
Sc	-1.41	-0.75	-2.85	-1.67
Ti	-0.28	-0.57	-0.76	-1.31
V	-0.67	-	-1.15	-
Cr	-1.47	-0.49	-2.11	-1.90
Mn	-3.13	-0.49	-2.35	-2.13
Fe	-1.50	-1.07	-2.45	-1.89
Co	-1.46	-2.16	-2.21	-2.47
Ni	-1.86	-2.61	-2.71	-3.49
Cu	-1.63	-2.34	-2.25	-2.87
Zn	-1.90	-2.78	-2.81	-3.79
Y	-1.61	-0.91	-2.85	-1.51
Zr	0.22	0.19	-0.51	-0.21
Nb	-0.80	0.34	-0.26	-0.93
Mo	-0.32	0.33	-0.91	0.42
Tc	-0.07	0.30	-0.87	-1.05
Ru	-0.15	0.54	-0.82	-0.65
Rh	-0.83	-0.08	-1.40	-0.71
Pd	-1.24	-1.24	-1.92	-1.45
Ag	-1.42	-2.18	-2.40	-2.69
Cd	-1.74	-2.89	-2.69	-3.69
Hf	0.37	0.28	-0.61	-0.24
Ta	-0.86	0.44	-0.33	-0.79
W	-0.61	1.20	-	0.34
Re	0.60	0.97	-0.27	0.00
Os	0.29	0.63	-0.48	-0.59
Ir	-0.35	0.46	-0.98	-0.49
Pt	-0.88	-0.41	-1.52	-0.53
Au	-1.23	-1.31	-2.13	-1.60
Hg	-1.44	-2.78	-2.07	-3.15

Table S4. O_{2p} band center trends on SnO₂(110): surface CUS, and SnO₂(100): surface. O_{2p} band centers were calculated for the oxygen atom which is adjacent to the surface TM–SAC in the absence of any adsorbates, ie. clean surface.

TM–SAC	O _{2p} band center (eV)	
	110: surface CUS	100: surface
Sc	-0.96	-0.13
Ti	-1.64	-0.41
V	-1.62	-1.27
Cr	-0.90	-0.98
Mn	-1.56	-0.62
Fe	-0.92	-0.50
Co	-0.96	-0.70
Ni	-0.66	-0.45
Cu	-0.87	-0.50
Zn	-0.72	-0.46
Y	-1.30	-0.17
Zr	-1.78	-0.27
Nb	-2.93	-2.21
Mo	-1.76	-1.65
Tc	-2.06	-2.24
Ru	-1.92	-1.80
Rh	-1.77	-1.42
Pd	-1.49	-0.84
Ag	-1.06	-0.48
Cd	-0.80	-0.36
Hf	-1.82	-0.32
Ta	-3.00	-2.18
W	-2.98	-2.50
Re	-3.20	-2.94
Os	-2.30	-2.15
Ir	-2.27	-1.83
Pt	-1.70	-1.10
Au	-1.14	-0.65
Hg	-1.13	-0.61

Table S5. SAC d-band centers on SnO₂(110): surface CUS, SnO₂(100): surface, SnO₂(110): adatom and SnO₂(100): adatom configurations. TM–SAC d-band centers were calculated in the absence of any adsorbates, ie. clean surface. Note that TM is the adsorption site for all the configurations mentioned in the table.

TM–SAC	SAC d-band center (eV)			
	110: surface CUS	100: surface	110: adatom	100: adatom
Sc	4.46	5.00	1.31	1.88
Ti	1.38	2.65	0.88	1.00
V	0.88	1.36	0.76	1.98
Cr	1.68	0.55	1.57	0.55
Mn	-1.06	-0.09	-1.20	-1.05
Fe	-2.46	-2.25	-2.61	-1.92
Co	-2.53	-2.23	-3.18	-1.67
Ni	-2.21	-2.38	-1.67	-1.90
Cu	-1.80	-2.15	-1.25	-1.56
Zn	-4.04	-4.43	-6.07	-5.84
Y	5.08	5.73	1.76	2.36
Zr	3.14	4.14	0.81	2.19
Nb	-0.12	0.31	0.56	0.51
Mo	0.58	0.05	1.36	1.05
Tc	-0.62	-1.25	-1.10	-0.58
Ru	-1.14	-1.53	-0.59	-1.07
Rh	-1.72	-1.92	-0.69	-0.51
Pd	-2.50	-2.50	-0.84	-0.94
Ag	-2.93	-3.09	-3.40	-3.33
Cd	-5.69	-5.88	-7.39	-7.18
Hf	3.35	4.15	1.06	2.38
Ta	0.86	1.29	0.20	1.27
W	0.20	0.06	-0.09	-0.16
Re	-1.85	-2.28	-0.13	-0.07
Os	-1.16	-1.53	-1.18	-1.04
Ir	-2.08	-2.24	-1.23	-0.89
Pt	-2.57	-2.39	-0.76	-0.93
Au	-2.70	-2.99	-2.08	-3.05
Hg	-4.98	-5.69	-3.25	-3.32

Table S6. TM–SAC Bader charges on SnO₂(110): surface CUS, SnO₂(100): surface, SnO₂(110): adatom and SnO₂(100): adatom configurations. Bader charges were calculated in the absence of any adsorbates, ie. clean surface. Note that TM is the adsorption site for all the configurations mentioned in the table.

TM - SAC	SAC – Bader charge (e)			
	110: surface CUS	100: surface	110: adatom	100: adatom
Sc	2.08	2.03	1.28	1.69
Ti	2.19	2.16	1.19	1.56
V	2.13	2.11	1.19	1.11
Cr	1.83	1.94	0.89	1.25
Mn	1.84	1.84	0.89	1.24
Fe	1.87	1.86	0.87	1.07
Co	1.55	1.53	0.90	0.79
Ni	1.34	1.38	0.63	0.66
Cu	1.27	1.32	0.64	0.63
Zn	1.37	1.40	0.65	0.53
Y	2.24	2.20	1.38	1.81
Zr	2.58	2.53	1.39	2.21
Nb	2.58	2.54	1.40	1.30
Mo	2.23	2.29	0.72	0.92
Tc	2.01	2.06	0.92	0.90
Ru	1.65	1.79	0.67	0.68
Rh	1.52	1.52	0.58	0.38
Pd	1.30	1.31	0.43	0.26
Ag	1.15	1.19	0.54	0.55
Cd	1.35	1.35	0.49	0.46
Hf	2.58	2.54	1.38	2.23
Ta	2.71	2.71	1.35	2.06
W	3.08	3.05	1.35	1.51
Re	2.45	2.61	0.78	0.86
Os	1.97	2.00	0.74	0.70
Ir	1.58	1.64	0.58	0.34
Pt	1.44	1.41	0.38	0.15
Au	1.19	1.24	0.34	0.35
Hg	1.23	1.35	0.07	0.07

Table S7. Highly active SnO₂ supported SACs for OER. SAC configuration, TM, adsorption site, free energies of OER intermediates (O*, OH* and OOH*) and 4e – OER overpotentials are mentioned in the table.

Configuration	TM-SAC	Adsorption site	ΔG_{O^*} (eV)	ΔG_{OH^*} (eV)	ΔG_{OOH^*} (eV)	4e - OER overpotential (V)
110: adatom	Pd	SAC	2.13	0.64	3.61	0.27
110: surface CUS	Rh	SAC	2.44	0.89	3.96	0.32
100: surface	Rh	SAC	2.60	1.13	4.18	0.35
100: surface	Pt	SAC	2.43	0.75	3.59	0.45
110: surface CUS	Pt	SAC	2.49	0.77	3.79	0.49
100: adatom	Pt	SAC	2.28	0.54	3.74	0.51
110: surface bridge	Cr	Sn	3.49	1.68	4.22	0.57
110: surface CUS	V	SAC	3.24	1.84	4.83	0.61
100: subsurface	Re	Sn	2.52	0.72	4.38	0.63
110: surface CUS	Ir	SAC	1.45	0.15	3.32	0.64
110: adatom	Cu	SAC	2.37	0.48	3.36	0.65
110: surface CUS	Cr	SAC	3.35	1.89	4.69	0.66
100: adatom	Pd	SAC	2.92	1.00	4.04	0.69
110: surface bridge	Tc	Sn	2.19	0.59	4.11	0.70

Table S8. LOM overpotentials on SnO₂(110): surface CUS and SnO₂(100): surface. AEM overpotentials are also mentioned in the table for comparison.

TM–SAC	110: surface CUS		100: surface	
	LOM overpotential (V)	AEM overpotential (V)	LOM overpotential (V)	AEM overpotential (V)
Sc	1.16	1.16	1.62	0.85
Ti	1.16	1.16	1.06	1.06
V	0.61	0.61	0.97	0.97
Cr	0.66	0.66	0.88	0.75
Mn	1.90	0.88	1.15	1.15
Fe	1.32	1.32	1.22	1.20
Co	1.16	1.16	1.40	1.40
Ni	1.53	1.53	1.48	1.24
Cu	1.39	1.39	1.27	1.27
Zn	1.57	1.57	1.58	1.25
Y	1.32	1.32	1.62	1.01
Zr	1.53	1.53	1.31	1.31
Nb	0.74	0.74	1.26	1.26
Mo	1.79	1.00	1.88	1.72
Tc	2.90	1.67	2.16	1.55
Ru	1.94	1.05	1.32	1.02
Rh	0.42	0.32	0.24	0.35
Pd	0.80	0.80	0.84	0.84
Ag	1.44	1.44	1.27	1.27
Cd	1.57	1.57	1.46	1.31
Hf	1.43	1.43	1.40	1.40
Ta	1.06	1.06	1.29	1.29
W	1.77	0.91	0.06	1.21
Re	4.05	1.84	2.93	2.03
Os	3.67	1.67	2.80	1.81
Ir	1.89	0.64	1.16	0.76
Pt	0.49	0.49	0.45	0.45
Au	1.10	1.10	1.10	1.10
Hg	1.67	1.67	1.95	1.95

Table S9. Formation energies of TM–SACs on SnO₂(110) and SnO₂(100) based on metal references.

TM–SAC	Formation energy (eV)				
	110: surface CUS	100: surface	110: adatom	100: adatom	110: surface bridge
Sc	-12.99	-12.35	-1.61	-2.29	-12.35
Ti	-13.16	-13.67	-0.25	-0.96	-13.97
V	-8.66	-8.90	1.41	2.04	-9.29
Cr	-6.84	-6.89	2.29	3.36	-6.55
Mn	-5.08	-6.64	1.34	1.24	-6.94
Fe	-5.34	-5.04	3.22	2.82	-5.10
Co	-4.52	-4.54	3.29	2.49	-4.50
Ni	-2.79	-2.22	4.27	3.99	-2.08
Cu	-4.85	-4.66	0.92	0.34	-4.64
Zn	-6.41	-5.70	0.16	0.40	-5.75
Y	-13.02	-12.47	-1.85	-2.25	-12.24
Zr	-14.22	-14.63	-0.08	-1.79	-14.83
Nb	-11.91	-12.80	1.35	1.61	-13.33
Mo	-5.54	-5.83	5.28	4.79	-6.34
Tc	-8.02	-8.68	3.48	2.65	-9.19
Ru	-6.81	-7.20	3.78	2.64	-7.67
Rh	-5.94	-6.18	2.95	1.88	-6.70
Pd	-5.04	-5.13	1.74	1.01	-5.60
Ag	-4.17	-3.95	0.65	0.43	-3.81
Cd	-5.83	-5.25	-0.06	0.04	-4.87
Hf	-14.53	-14.81	-0.27	-1.47	-15.13
Ta	-12.81	-13.62	2.06	-0.73	-14.28
W	-4.24	-5.12	8.94	8.59	-5.85
Re	-7.99	-9.11	5.04	3.91	-9.24
Os	-6.28	-6.87	5.46	3.73	-7.49
Ir	-5.56	-6.00	4.68	3.00	-6.67
Pt	-5.17	-5.41	3.18	1.57	-6.10
Au	-4.32	-4.40	1.72	0.90	-4.39
Hg	-4.02	-4.08	-0.06	-0.07	-3.15

Table S10. Reference metallic materials for formation energy calculations using metals as reference. TM, selected materials project ID, formula of the unitcell, total number of sites, total energy of the unitcell and energy per atom are tabulated in the table.

TM	Materials Project ID	Formula	Total number of sites	Total energy (eV)	Energy per atom (eV)
Sc	mp-67	Sc ₂	2	-11.886	-5.943
Ti	mp-72	Ti ₃	3	-22.211	-7.404
V	mp-146	V ₂	2	-16.962	-8.481
Cr	mp-90	Cr ₂	2	-17.955	-8.977
Mn	mp-35	Mn ₅₈	58	-490.742	-8.461
Fe	mp-13	Fe ₂	2	-15.541	-7.771
Co	mp-54	Co ₂	2	-13.035	-6.517
Ni	mp-23	Ni ₄	4	-19.812	-4.953
Cu	mp-30	Cu ₄	4	-13.008	-3.252
Zn	mp-79	Zn ₂	2	-1.500	-0.750
Y	mp-112	Y ₂	2	-12.233	-6.117
Zr	mp-131	Zr ₂	2	-16.192	-8.096
Nb	mp-75	Nb ₂	2	-19.135	-9.567
Mo	mp-129	Mo ₂	2	-20.647	-10.323
Tc	mp-113	Tc ₂	2	-19.454	-9.727
Ru	mp-33	Ru ₂	2	-17.194	-8.597
Rh	mp-74	Rh ₄	4	-26.447	-6.612
Pd	mp-2	Pd ₄	4	-18.515	-4.629
Ag	mp-124	Ag ₄	4	-8.795	-2.199
Cd	mp-94	Cd ₂	2	-0.705	-0.353
Hf	mp-103	Hf ₂	2	-19.022	-9.511
Ta	mp-50	Ta ₂	2	-22.645	-11.323
W	mp-91	W ₂	2	-24.776	-12.388
Re	mp-8	Re ₂	2	-23.567	-11.784
Os	mp-49	Os ₂	2	-21.178	-10.589
Ir	mp-101	Ir ₄	4	-32.826	-8.207
Pt	mp-126	Pt ₄	4	-21.898	-5.474
Au	mp-81	Au ₄	4	-10.504	-2.626
Hg	mp-975272	Hg ₄	4	0.141	0.035

Table S11. Formation energies of TM–SAC on SnO₂(110) and SnO₂(100) based on metal-oxide references.

TM–SAC	Formation energy (eV)				
	110: surface CUS	100: surface	110: adatom	100: adatom	110: surface bridge
Sc	-8.10	-7.46	3.28	2.61	-7.45
Ti	-9.39	-9.91	3.51	2.81	-10.20
V	-10.31	-10.56	-0.24	0.38	-10.94
Cr	-7.85	-7.90	1.27	2.34	-7.57
Mn	-7.75	-9.30	-1.33	-1.43	-9.61
Fe	-8.28	-7.98	0.28	-0.12	-8.04
Co	-6.92	-6.94	0.89	0.09	-6.90
Ni	-9.82	-9.25	-2.76	-3.04	-9.11
Cu	-6.22	-6.04	-0.46	-1.04	-6.01
Zn	-6.14	-5.43	0.43	0.67	-5.48
Y	-7.96	-7.40	3.22	2.82	-7.17
Zr	-9.14	-9.56	4.99	3.28	-9.76
Nb	-9.35	-10.24	3.90	4.17	-10.78
Mo	-9.10	-9.39	1.73	1.24	-9.89
Tc	-8.78	-9.45	2.72	1.89	-9.96
Ru	-8.92	-9.31	1.68	0.53	-9.78
Rh	-8.70	-8.95	0.19	-0.88	-9.46
Pd	-9.31	-9.41	-2.54	-3.27	-9.88
Ag	-6.44	-6.23	-1.62	-1.85	-6.08
Cd	-6.39	-5.81	-0.62	-0.52	-5.43
Hf	-9.15	-9.42	5.11	3.92	-9.74
Ta	-9.33	-10.14	5.54	2.75	-10.80
W	-9.19	-10.07	4.00	3.64	-10.80
Re	-8.98	-10.10	4.05	2.92	-10.23
Os	-8.90	-9.50	2.83	1.10	-10.12
Ir	-8.48	-8.91	1.76	0.09	-9.58
Pt	-8.95	-9.18	-0.59	-2.20	-9.87
Au	-7.93	-8.02	-1.90	-2.71	-8.00
Hg	-6.15	-6.21	-2.19	-2.19	-5.27

Table S12. Reference oxide materials for formation energy calculation using metal oxides as reference. TM, selected oxide and materials project ID, formula of the unitcell, total number of sites, total energy of the unitcell and energy per metal atom are tabulated in the table.

TM	Oxide & materials Project ID	Formula	Total number of sites	Total energy (eV)	Energy per metal atom (eV)
Sc	Sc ₂ O ₃ -mp-216	Sc ₃₂ O ₄₈	80	-690.726	-21.585
Ti	TiO ₂ -mp-2657	Ti ₂ O ₄	6	-50.986	-25.493
V	V ₂ O ₅ -mp-25279	V ₄ O ₁₀	14	-98.942	-24.735
Cr	Cr ₂ O ₃ -mp-19399	Cr ₁₂ O ₁₈	30	-224.475	-18.706
Mn	MnO ₂ -mp-19395	Mn ₄ O ₈	12	-80.480	-20.120
Fe	Fe ₂ O ₃ -mp-19770	Fe ₁₂ O ₁₈	30	-186.901	-15.575
Co	CoO-mp-22408	Co ₃ O ₃	6	-33.839	-11.280
Ni	NiO ₂ -mp-25210	Ni ₃ O ₆	9	-36.743	-12.248
Cu	CuO-mp-1692	Cu ₄ O ₄	8	-36.153	-9.038
Zn	ZnO-mp-2133	Zn ₂ O ₂	4	-16.371	-8.185
Y	Y ₂ O ₃ -mp-2652	Y ₃₂ O ₄₈	80	-701.766	-21.930
Zr	ZrO ₂ -mp-2858	Zr ₄ O ₈	12	-109.979	-27.495
Nb	Nb ₂ O ₅ -mp-581967	Nb ₂₈ O ₇₀	98	-840.865	-30.031
Mo	MoO ₂ -mp-510536	Mo ₄ O ₈	12	-84.368	-21.092
Tc	TcO ₂ -mp-33137	Tc ₄ O ₈	12	-93.144	-23.286
Ru	RuO ₂ -mp-825	Ru ₂ O ₄	6	-41.631	-20.815
Rh	RhO ₂ -mp-725	Rh ₂ O ₄	6	-36.351	-18.175
Pd	PdO ₂ -mp-1018886	Pd ₂ O ₄	6	-29.351	-14.676
Ag	AgO-mp-499	Ag ₄ O ₄	8	-28.336	-7.084
Cd	CdO-mp-1132	Cd ₄ O ₄	8	-27.815	-6.954
Hf	HfO ₂ -mp-352	Hf ₄ O ₈	12	-116.892	-29.223
Ta	Ta ₂ O ₅ -mp-10390	Ta ₈ O ₂₀	28	-261.660	-32.708
W	WO ₂ -mp-19372	W ₄ O ₈	12	-87.071	-21.768
Re	ReO ₂ -mp-7228	Re ₄ O ₈	12	-100.479	-25.120
Os	OsO ₂ -mp-996	Os ₂ O ₄	6	-44.577	-22.289
Ir	IrO ₂ -mp-2723	Ir ₂ O ₄	6	-39.240	-19.620
Pt	PtO ₂ -mp-1285	Pt ₂ O ₄	6	-32.056	-16.028
Au	Au ₂ O ₃ -mp-27253	Au ₁₆ O ₂₄	40	-156.110	-9.757
Hg	HgO-mp-124	Hg ₄ O ₄	8	-20.009	-5.002

Table S13. Segregation energies of SnO₂(110): surface CUS, SnO₂(100): surface, SnO₂(110): subsurface, SnO₂(100): subsurface and SnO₂(110): surface bridge configurations. Negative segregation energy indicates the favorability for the migration of TM-SACs which are on the surface (or subsurface) to bulk. Positive values represent that SACs are stable on the surface (or subsurface).

TM - SAC	Negative segregation energy (eV)				
	110: surface CUS	100: surface	110: subsurface	100: subsurface	110: surface bridge
Sc	0.72	-0.06	0.24	-0.01	-0.35
Ti	0.34	0.41	0.34	0.08	0.73
V	0.34	0.16	0.36	0.15	0.55
Cr	0.30	0.08	0.25	0.19	-0.40
Mn	0.26	0.10	0.28	-1.06	1.70
Fe	0.65	0.33	0.23	0.07	0.00
Co	0.79	0.75	-0.03	0.11	0.36
Ni	0.97	0.53	0.15	0.00	-0.16
Cu	0.87	0.78	0.10	0.27	0.24
Zn	1.25	0.66	0.16	0.25	0.17
Y	1.81	0.29	0.80	0.09	0.61
Zr	0.02	0.03	0.08	-0.04	0.22
Nb	0.18	0.69	0.00	0.02	1.19
Mo	-0.35	-0.34	0.08	0.05	0.02
Tc	-0.17	0.20	0.10	0.09	0.58
Ru	0.00	0.08	0.17	0.14	0.44
Rh	-0.16	-0.12	0.07	0.20	0.18
Pd	-0.18	-0.16	-0.16	0.20	-0.03
Ag	1.23	0.96	0.07	0.25	0.45
Cd	1.97	1.04	0.53	0.39	0.60
Hf	-0.13	-0.21	0.07	-0.04	0.04
Ta	0.17	0.45	0.12	0.04	1.22
W	0.35	0.60	0.08	0.10	1.55
Re	0.24	1.04	0.05	0.17	1.07
Os	-0.18	0.08	0.12	0.14	0.62
Ir	-0.42	-0.22	0.06	0.20	0.26
Pt	-0.50	-0.43	-0.10	0.16	0.00
Au	1.03	1.06	-0.06	0.20	0.69
Hg	2.09	1.62	0.45	0.31	0.80

Table S14. Adsorbate (OH^*) induced segregation energies for $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: surface CUS and $\text{SnO}_2(100)$: surface configurations. Negative segregation energy indicates the favorability for the migration of TM-SACs which are on the surface to bulk. Positive values represent that SACs are stable on the surface.

TM - SAC	Adsorbate (OH^*) induced negative segregation energy(eV)	
	110: surface CUS	100: surface
Sc	0.32	0.04
Ti	0.23	0.29
V	0.39	0.12
Cr	0.41	0.26
Mn	1.72	0.26
Fe	0.12	1.15
Co	0.41	0.29
Ni	0.24	0.26
Cu	0.32	0.45
Zn	0.46	0.36
Y	1.56	0.25
Zr	0.28	0.14
Nb	1.09	1.50
Mo	0.80	1.20
Tc	1.00	1.51
Ru	0.89	1.19
Rh	0.82	0.88
Pd	0.35	0.50
Ag	0.46	0.62
Cd	1.20	0.71
Hf	0.08	-0.01
Ta	0.98	1.29
W	-	1.70
Re	1.47	1.98
Os	1.32	1.58
Ir	1.09	1.18
Pt	0.64	0.98
Au	0.88	1.40
Hg	1.08	0.64

Table S15. Standard reduction potentials (U_M^0), the number of electrons involved in the dissolution of the metal (N_e) and concentration dependent reduction potential ($U_{M(C_M)}$) calculated at 10^{-6} mol/l using the equation 16 in the main manuscript.

TM-SAC	U_M^0	N_e	$U_{M(C_M)}$
Sc	-2.08	3	-2.20
Ti	-1.63	2	-1.81
V	-1.18	2	-1.36
Cr	-0.91	2	-1.09
Mn	-1.19	2	-1.37
Fe	-0.45	2	-0.63
Co	-0.28	2	-0.46
Ni	-0.26	2	-0.44
Cu	0.34	2	0.16
Zn	-0.76	2	-0.94
Y	-2.37	3	-2.49
Zr	-1.45	4	-1.54
Nb	-1.10	3	-1.22
Mo	-0.20	3	-0.32
Tc	1.50	2	1.32
Ru	0.46	2	0.28
Rh	0.60	1	0.25
Pd	0.95	2	0.77
Ag	0.80	1	0.45
Cd	1.50	2	1.32
Hf	-1.55	4	-1.64
Ta	-0.60	3	-0.72
W	0.10	3	-0.02
Re	0.30	2	0.12
Os	0.84	8	0.80
Ir	1.16	3	1.04
Pt	1.18	2	1.00
Au	1.50	3	1.38
Hg	1.50	2	1.32

Table S16. Dissolution potentials (U_{diss}) for $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: surface CUS, $\text{SnO}_2(100)$: surface, $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: adatom, $\text{SnO}_2(100)$: adatom and $\text{SnO}_2(110)$: surface bridge configurations.

TM-SAC	Dissolution potentials (V_{RHE})				
	110: surface CUS	100: surface	110: adatom	100: adatom	110: surface bridge
Sc	2.13	1.92	-1.66	-1.43	1.92
Ti	4.77	5.03	-1.68	-1.33	5.18
V	2.97	3.09	-2.06	-2.38	3.29
Cr	2.33	2.36	-2.23	-2.77	2.19
Mn	1.17	1.95	-2.04	-1.99	2.10
Fe	2.04	1.89	-2.24	-2.04	1.92
Co	1.80	1.81	-2.10	-1.70	1.79
Ni	0.96	0.67	-2.57	-2.43	0.60
Cu	2.59	2.49	-0.30	-0.01	2.48
Zn	2.27	1.91	-1.02	-1.14	1.94
Y	1.85	1.67	-1.87	-1.74	1.59
Zr	2.02	2.12	-1.52	-1.09	2.17
Nb	2.75	3.05	-1.67	-1.76	3.23
Mo	1.53	1.63	-2.08	-1.92	1.79
Tc	5.33	5.66	-0.42	0.00	5.92
Ru	3.69	3.88	-1.61	-1.04	4.12
Rh	6.18	6.43	-2.71	-1.63	6.94
Pd	3.29	3.34	-0.10	0.27	3.57
Ag	4.61	4.39	-0.21	0.02	4.25
Cd	4.24	3.95	1.35	1.30	3.76
Hf	1.99	2.06	-1.57	-1.27	2.14
Ta	3.55	3.82	-1.41	-0.47	4.04
W	1.39	1.69	-3.00	-2.88	1.93
Re	4.12	4.68	-2.40	-1.83	4.74
Os	1.58	1.65	0.11	0.33	1.73
Ir	2.90	3.04	-0.52	0.04	3.26
Pt	3.59	3.71	-0.59	0.22	4.05
Au	2.82	2.85	0.81	1.08	2.84
Hg	3.33	3.37	1.35	1.36	2.90

Table S17. Effects of solvation on free energies of adsorption of key OER intermediates based on AEM and LOM mechanisms. Solvation at the metal oxide surfaces was modeled using the implicit solvent method implemented in VASPsol with a dielectric constant of 80 and a Debye screening length of 3 Å.

- (a) Free energies of adsorption of O*, OH*, OOH* and H*-lattice O on selected SACs with and without solvation.

Configuration	TM	Adsorption site	ΔG_{OH^*} (eV)	ΔG_{O^*} (eV)	ΔG_{OOH^*} (eV)	$\Delta G_{\text{H}^*-\text{lattice O}}$ (eV)
Without Solvation						
110: surface CUS	Ir	SAC	0.15	1.45	3.32	-0.35
110: surface CUS	Rh	SAC	0.89	2.44	3.96	-0.83
110: surface CUS	Pt	SAC	0.77	2.49	3.79	-0.88
100: surface	Rh	SAC	1.13	2.60	4.18	-1.40
100: surface	Pt	SAC	0.75	2.43	3.59	-1.52
With solvation						
110: surface CUS	Ir	SAC	0.25	1.48	3.26	-0.39
110: surface CUS	Rh	SAC	1.03	2.58	3.92	-0.89
110: surface CUS	Pt	SAC	0.75	-	3.67	-0.88
100: surface	Rh	SAC	1.00	2.61	4.15	-1.38
100: surface	Pt	SAC	0.75	2.40	-	-1.50

- (b) Solvation energies (eV) of O*, OH*, OOH* and H*-lattice O on selected SACs. Solvation energies were calculated as $\Delta G_x(\text{with sol.}) - \Delta G_x(\text{without sol.})$ where x is the OER intermediate adsorbed on the SAC.

Configuration	TM	Adsorption site	OH*	O*	OOH*	H*- lattice O
110: surface CUS	Ir	SAC	0.09	0.03	-0.05	-0.04
110: surface CUS	Rh	SAC	0.14	0.14	-0.05	-0.07
110: surface CUS	Pt	SAC	-0.01	-	-0.12	-0.01
100: surface	Rh	SAC	-0.12	0.01	-0.03	0.03
100: surface	Pt	SAC	0.00	-0.03	-	0.01

Table S18. Effects of solvation on OER overpotentials based on AEM and LOM mechanisms.

(a) Effect on AEM overpotentials on selected SACs

Configuration	TM	Adsorption site	AEM overpotentials (V)		Difference (eV)
			Without solvation	With solvation	
110: surface CUS	Ir	SAC	0.64	0.55	-0.08
110: surface CUS	Rh	SAC	0.32	0.32	0.00
110: surface CUS	Pt	SAC	0.49	-	-
100: surface	Rh	SAC	0.35	0.37	0.02
100: surface	Pt	SAC	0.45	-	-

(b) Effect on LOM overpotentials on selected SACs

Configuration	TM	Adsorption site	LOM overpotentials (V)		Difference (eV)
			Without solvation	With solvation	
110: surface CUS	Ir	SAC	1.89	1.82	-0.07
110: surface CUS	Rh	SAC	0.42	0.32	-0.11
110: surface CUS	Pt	SAC	0.49	-	-
100: surface	Rh	SAC	0.24	0.37	0.13
100: surface	Pt	SAC	0.45	0.42	-0.03