

## Supporting Information for

**Electro-epoxidation of ethylene and propylene via atomic active oxygen from water electrolysis on  $\text{IrN}_4$  site in graphene with lower applied potential and wide range**

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metal	site-1	site-2	site-3
Sc	0	0.47	0.99
Ti	0	-	-
V	0	-	-
Cr	0	2.87	2.97
Mn	0	1.54	1.65
Fe	0	1.57	1.60
Co	0	0.39	0.45
Ni	1.00	0	0.08
Cu	0.89	0	0.06
Zn	0.15	0.07	0
Y	0.44	0	0.67
Zr	0	-	2.63
Nb	0	4.48	5.08
Mo	0	-	5.22
Ru	0	2.20	2.24
Rh	0	0.23	0.34
Pd	1.34	0	0.07
Ag	0.41	0	0.24
Hf	0	-	2.58
Ta	0	-	-
W	0	-	-
Re	0	4.49	4.62

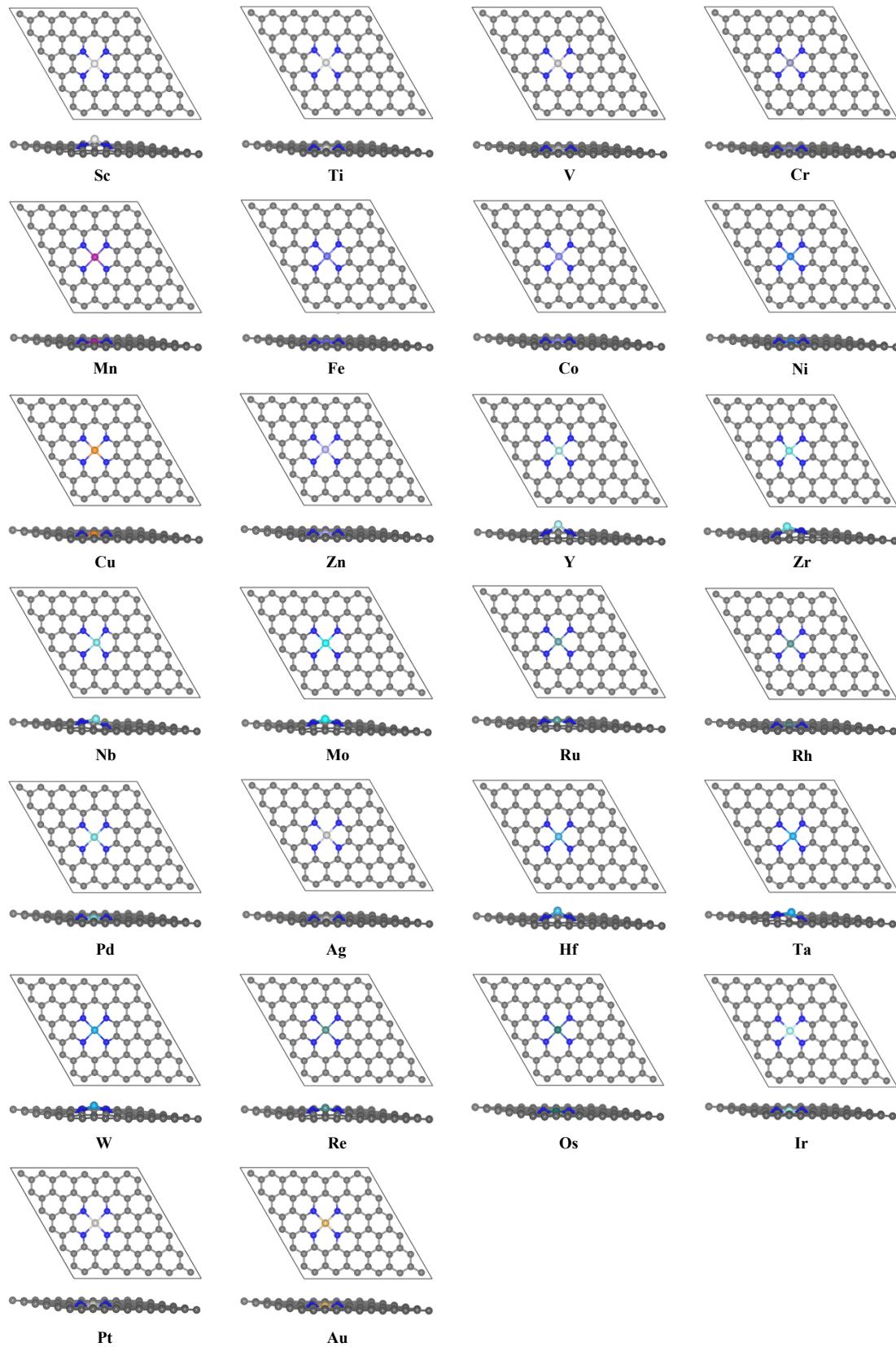
Os	0	2.76	2.95
Ir	0	0.61	0.69
Pt	1.10	0	0.06
Au	1.66	0	0.19

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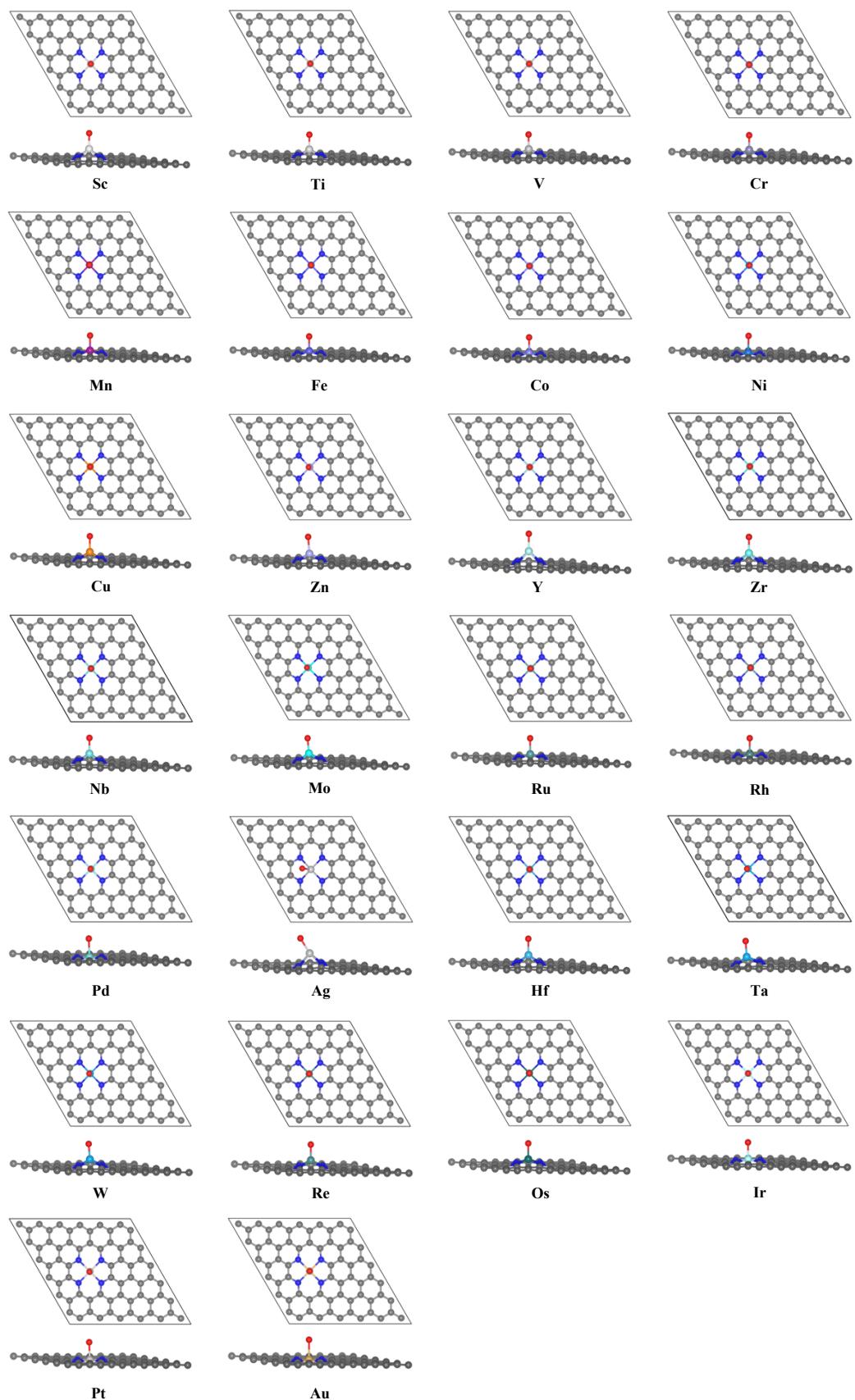
metal type	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co
$\Delta G_{\text{EO}}$ (eV)	-0.24	3.53	3.64	1.61	0.35	0.21	-0.85
$\Delta G_{\text{PO}}$ (eV)	-0.33	3.45	3.56	1.52	0.27	0.13	-0.94
metal type	Ni	Cu	Zn	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo
$\Delta G_{\text{EO}}$ (eV)	-1.49	-1.45	-1.42	-0.46	1.69	3.37	3.98
$\Delta G_{\text{PO}}$ (eV)	-1.57	-1.53	-1.51	-0.54	1.60	3.28	3.90
metal type	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Hf	Ta	W
$\Delta G_{\text{EO}}$ (eV)	1.08	-1.09	-1.41	-1.13	1.68	4.47	4.35
$\Delta G_{\text{PO}}$ (eV)	1.00	-1.17	-1.49	-1.21	1.60	4.38	4.27
metal type	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au		
$\Delta G_{\text{EO}}$ (eV)	3.52	1.76	-0.64	-1.43	-0.99		
$\Delta G_{\text{PO}}$ (eV)	3.43	1.67	-0.72	-1.51	-1.07		

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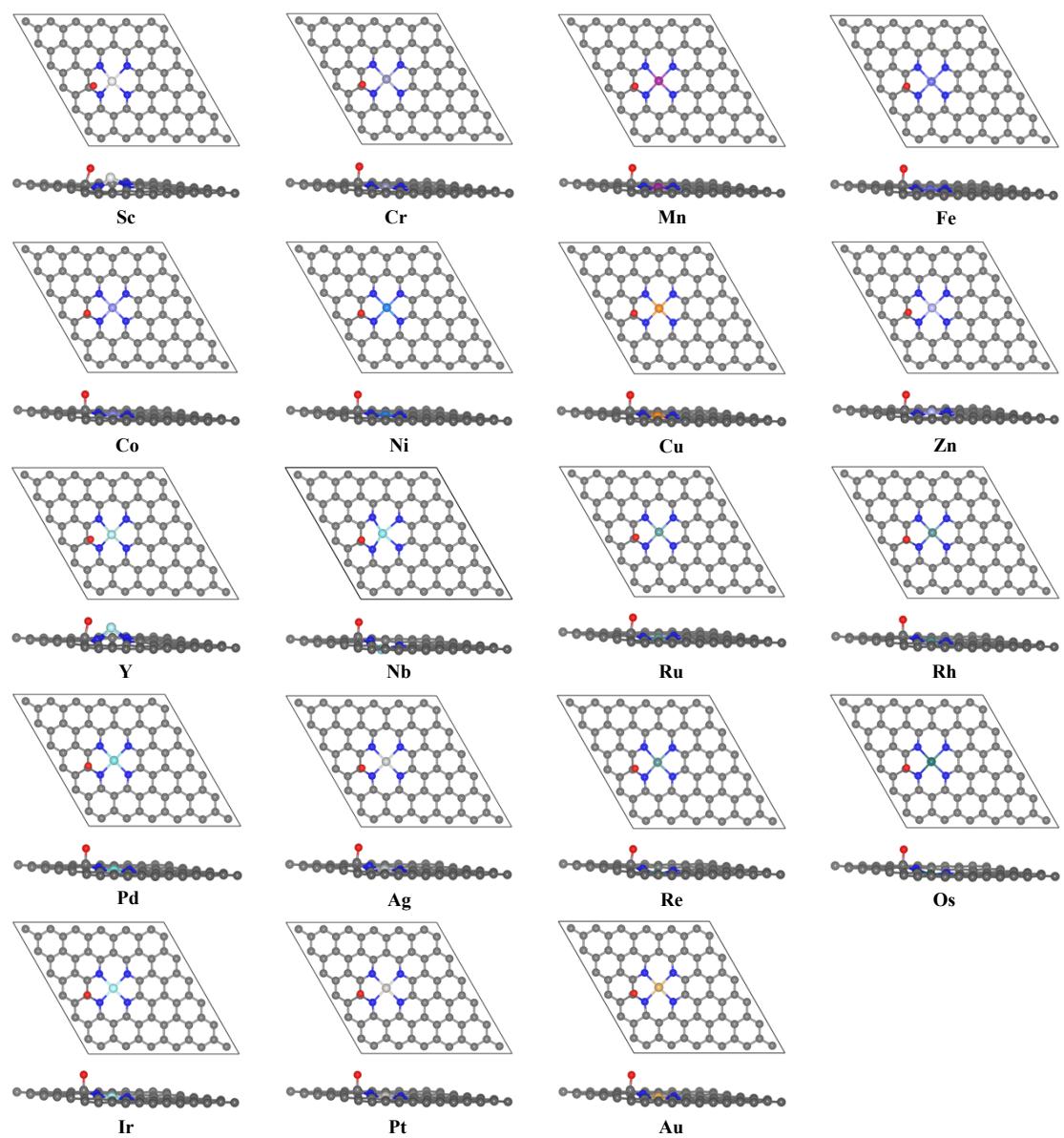
metal	site-1	site-2	site-3
Sc	0	1.79	-
Mn	0	1.47	-
Fe	0	1.34	-
Co	0	1.11	-
Ni	0	0.32	-
Cu	0	0.27	-
Zn	0	1.27	-
Y	0	1.50	-
Rh	0	0.89	-
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Ir	0	0.73	-
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Au	0.002	0	-



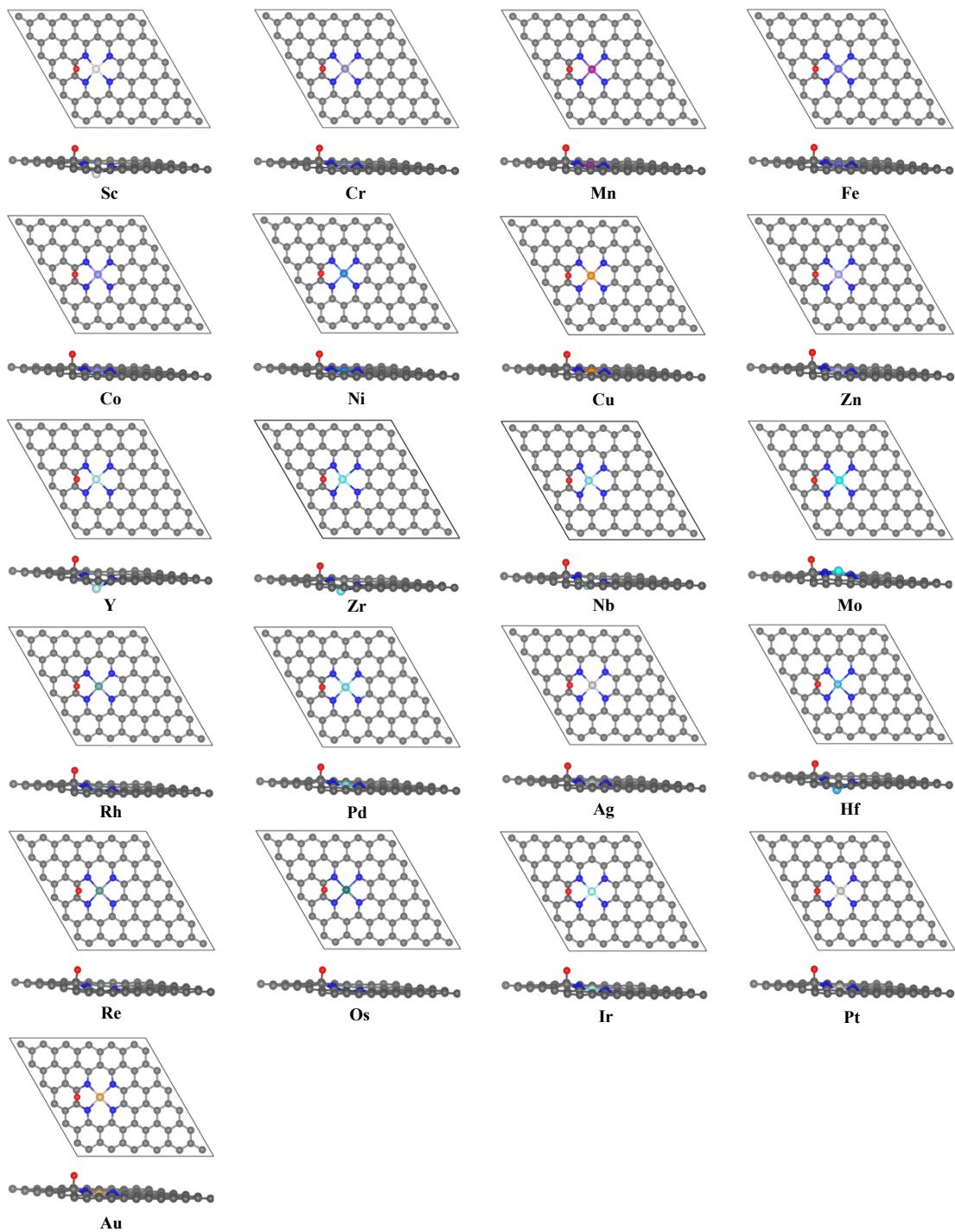
**Fig. S1.** Top and side views of various  $\text{TMN}_4@\text{graphene}$  SACs.



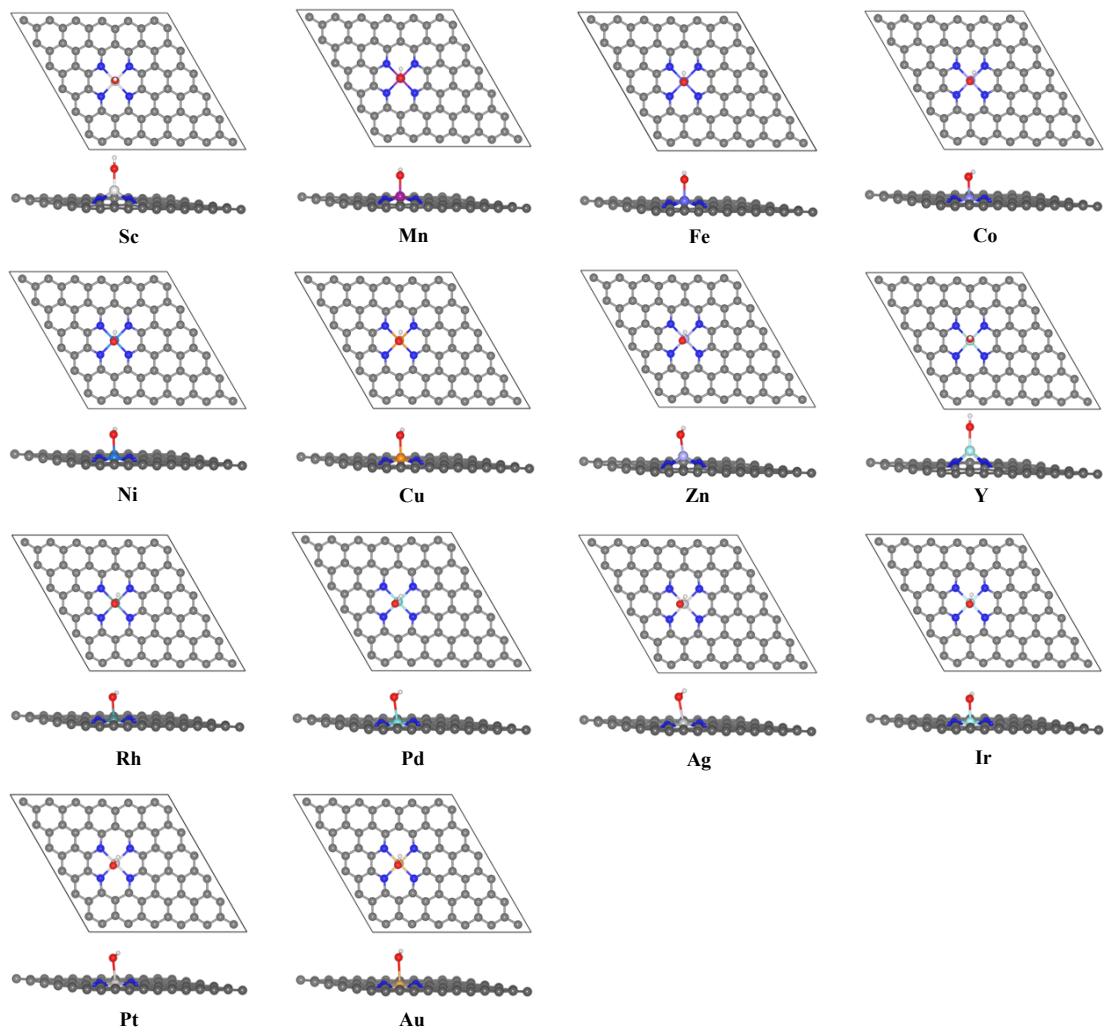
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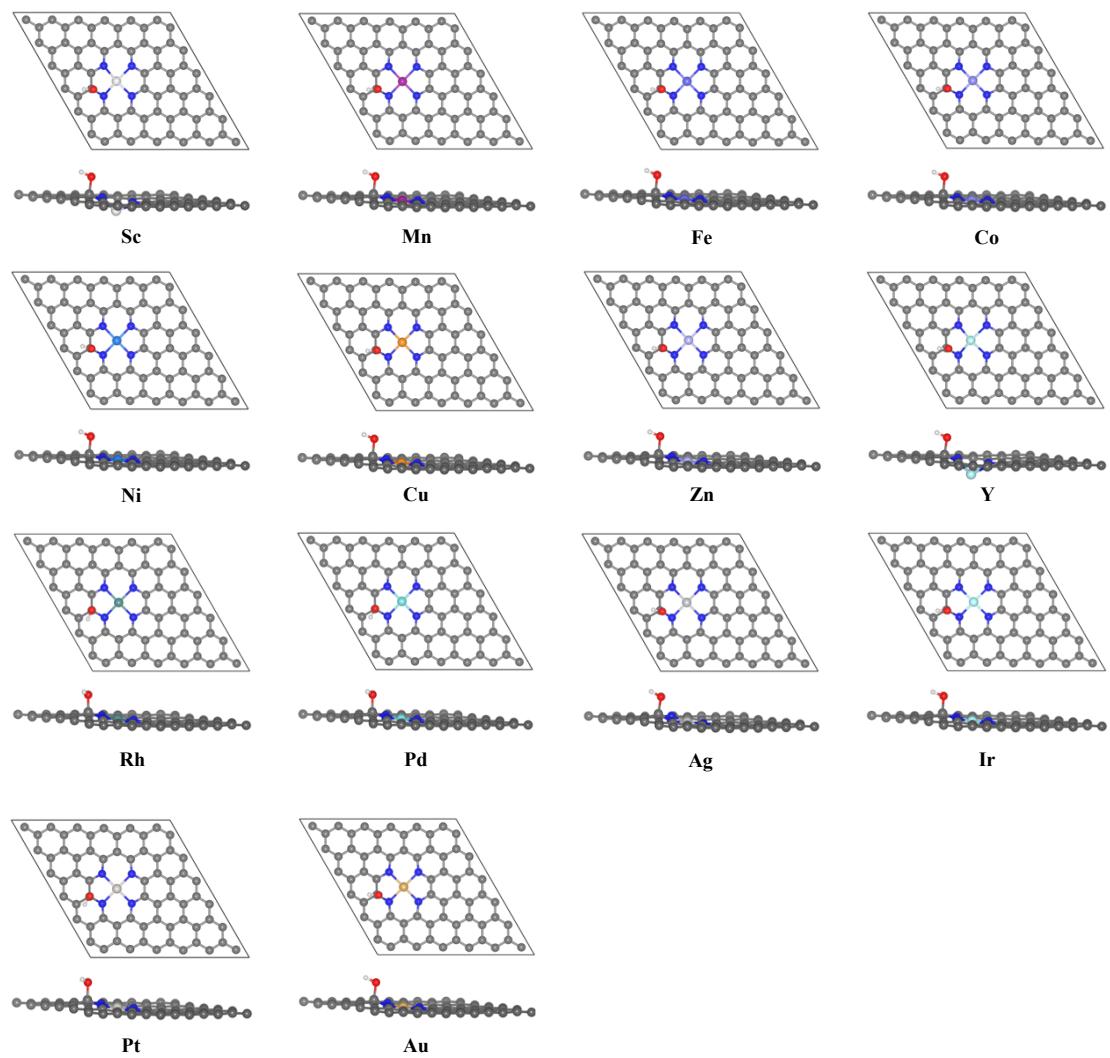
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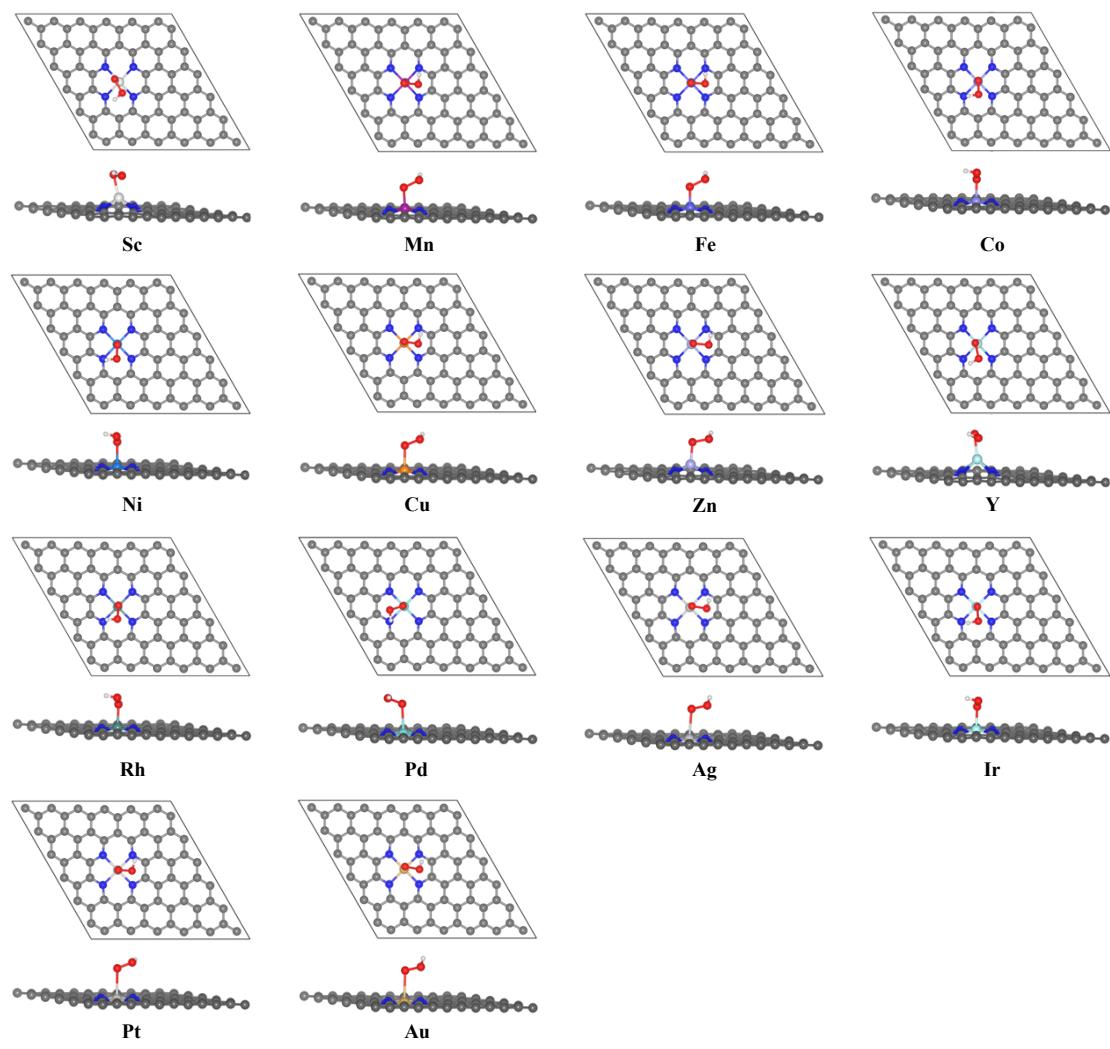
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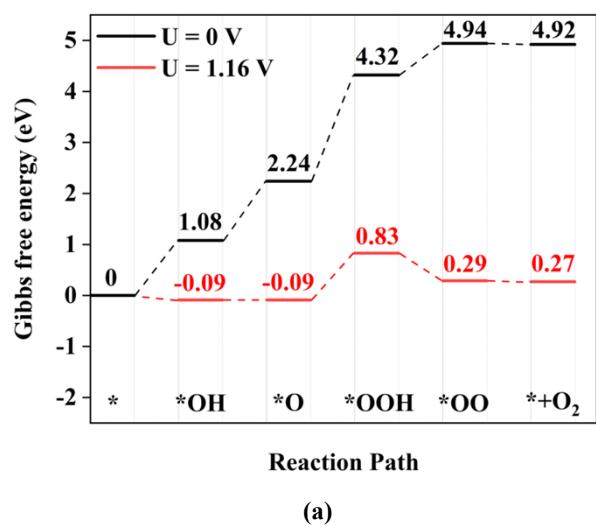
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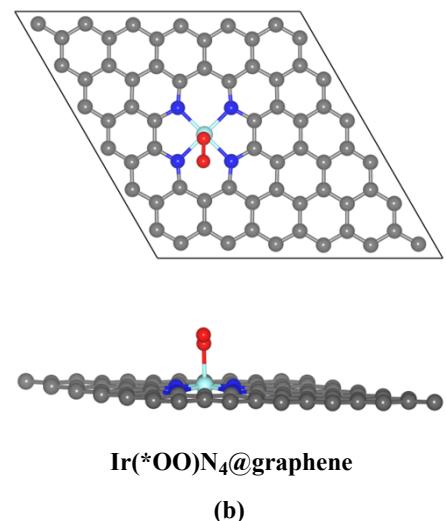
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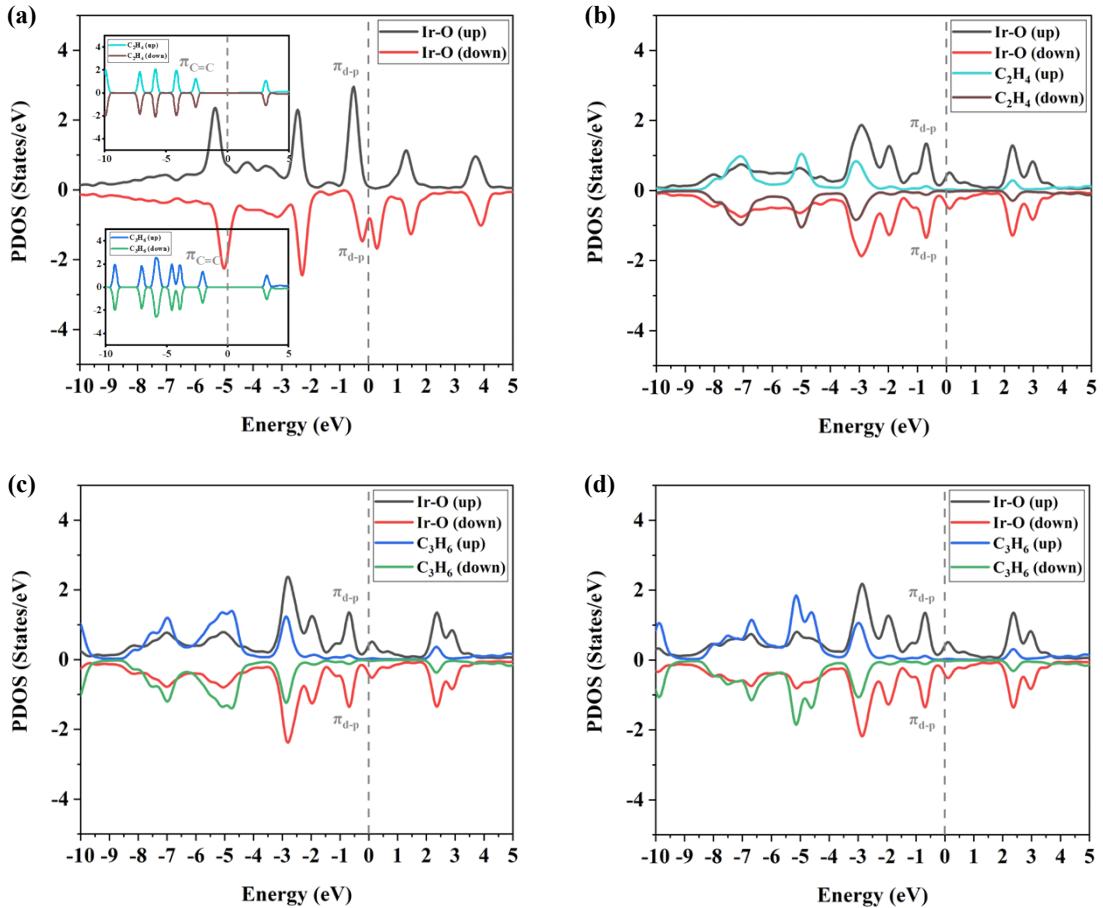
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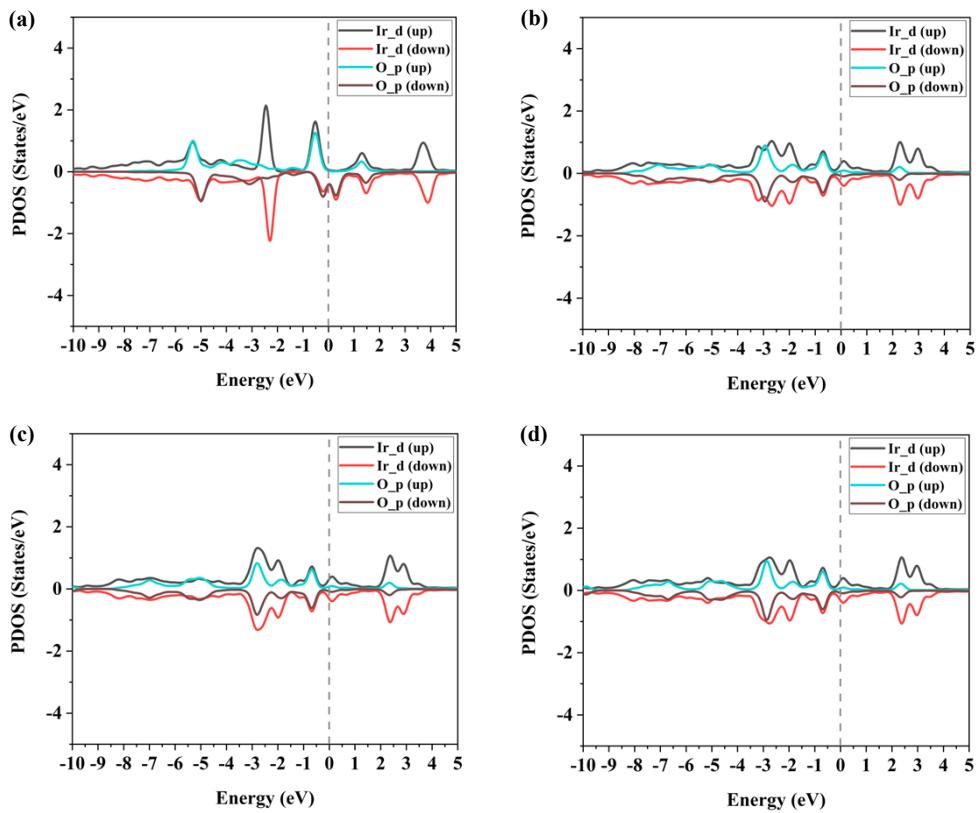
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