

Global minimum structures and electronic stability of Pt-doped
silicon clusters PtSi_n ($n = 2$ to 11) in neutral and anionic charge
states

Electronic Supplementary Information

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1. xyz files

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the interested reader can download the xyz files of the local minima populations of the PtSi_n ($n = 2 - 11$) clusters addressed in this investigation.

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2. Electrostatic potential surface peak values

Table S1: Peak values of $V_{S,\max}$ (kcal mol⁻¹) and FIA^{direct} (kJ mol⁻¹) for the PtSi_n series.

	$V_{S,\max}$	FIA ^{direct}
PtSi ₂	28.2	321.7
PtSi ₃	29.0	361.8
PtSi ₄	33.2	371.1
PtSi ₅	20.7	330.9
PtSi ₆	21.3	330.5
PtSi ₇	25.7	367.7
PtSi ₈	25.4	361.9
PtSi ₉	28.9	381.5
PtSi ₁₀	25.7	374.4
PtSi ₁₁	23.2	372.3

3. Evolution of $V_{S,\max}$ and $\text{FIA}^{\text{direct}}$

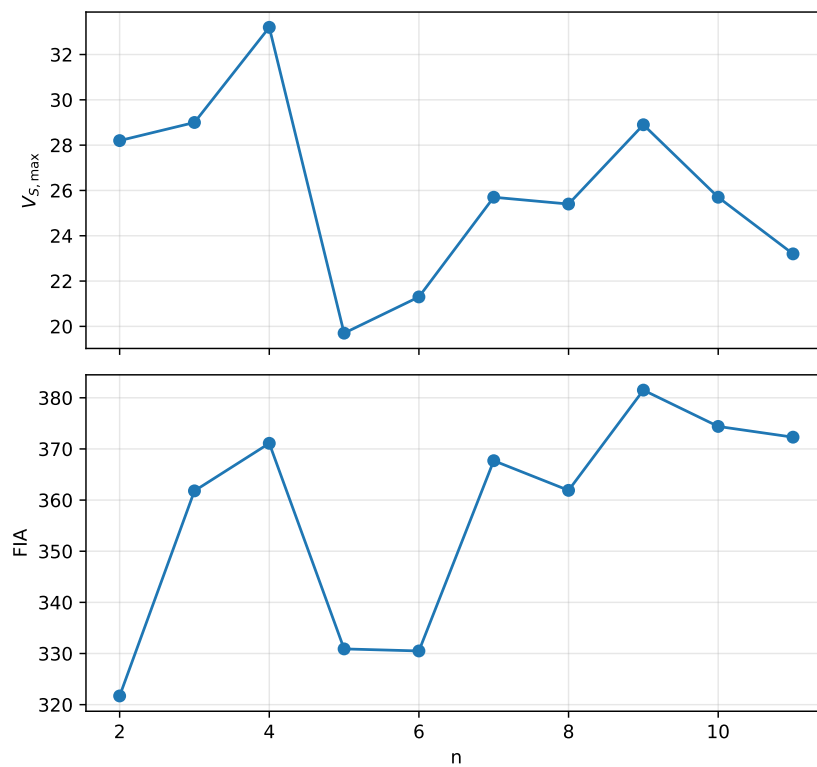


Figure S1: Size dependence of the maximum electrostatic potential on the van der Waals surface, $V_{S,\max}$ (top), and the fluoride ion affinity (FIA) (bottom) for PtSi_n clusters as a function of n ($n = 2 - 10$).

4. Structures of the lowest-lying pure Silicon clusters and low-lying energy isomers of the PtSi_n and PtSi_n^- clusters

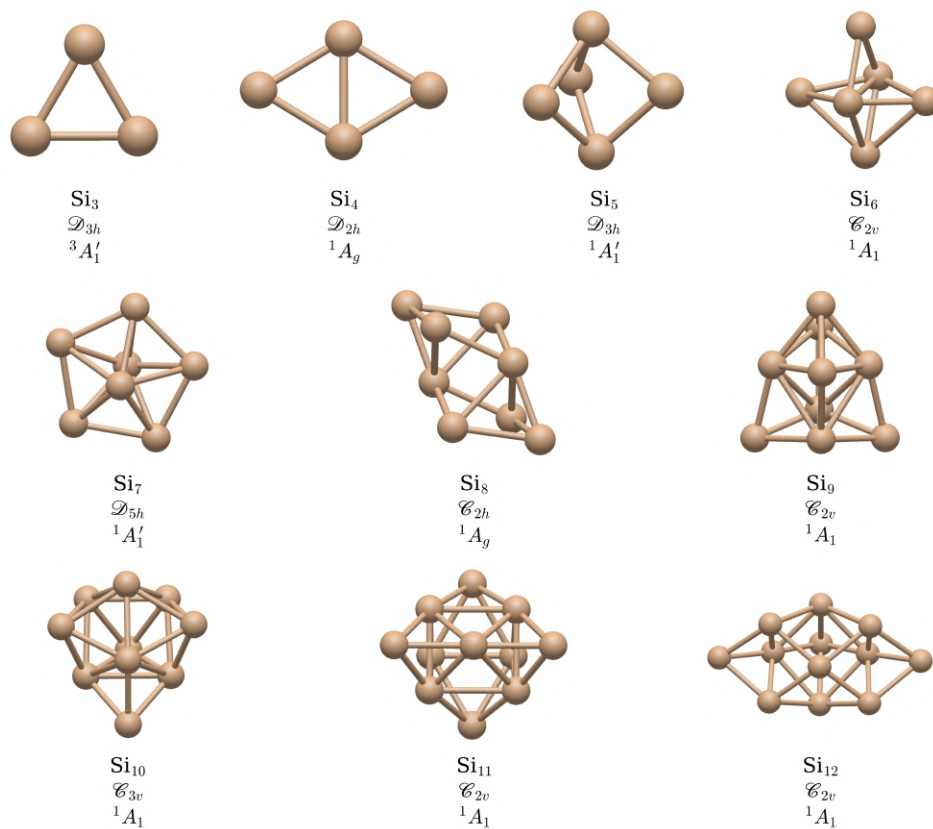


Figure S2: Lowest-lying energy isomers of the Si_n $n = 3 - 12$ clusters. The structures were taken from the Quantum Cluster Database (<https://muellergroup.jhu.edu/qcd/>).

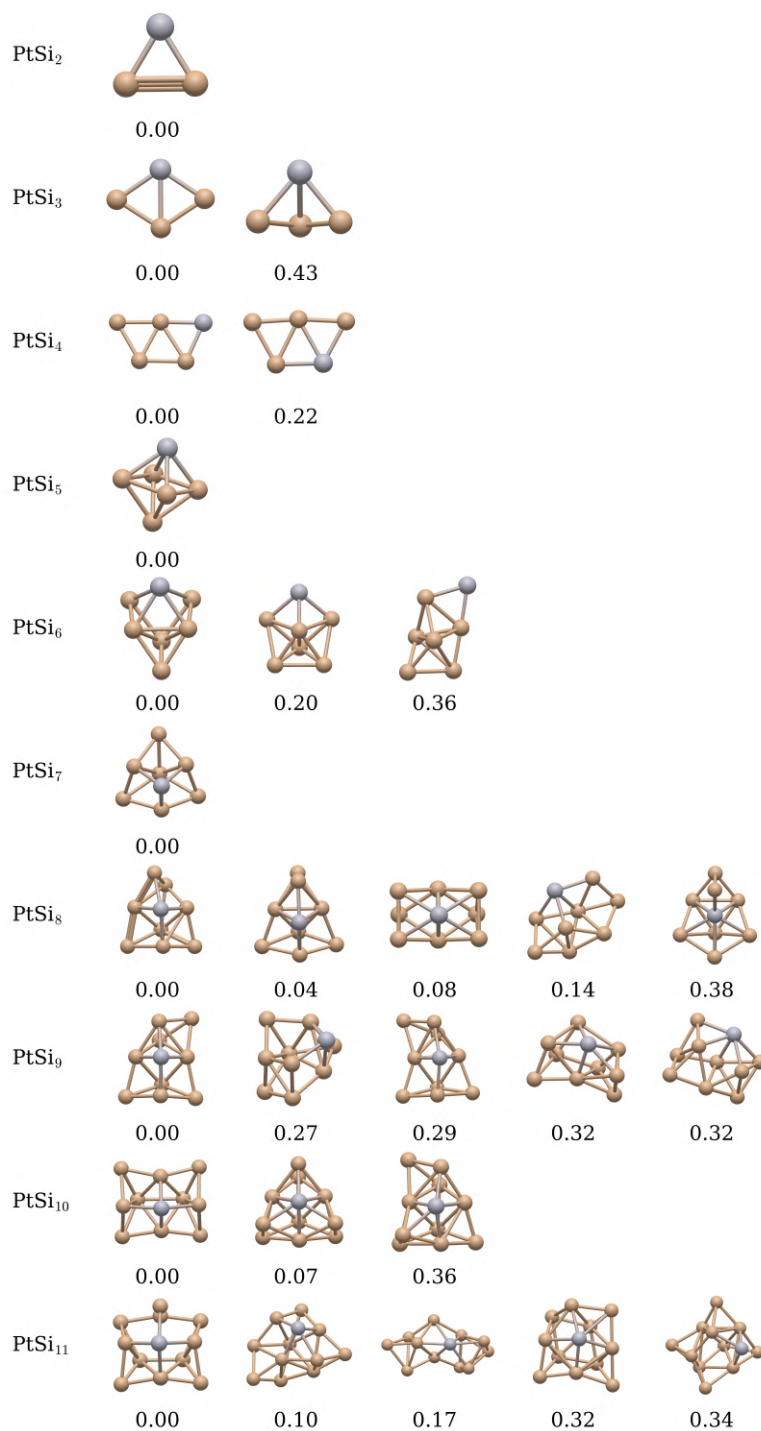


Figure S3: Low-lying energy isomers of the neutral PtSi_n n = 2 – 11 clusters up to 0.5 eV. Relative energies in eV.

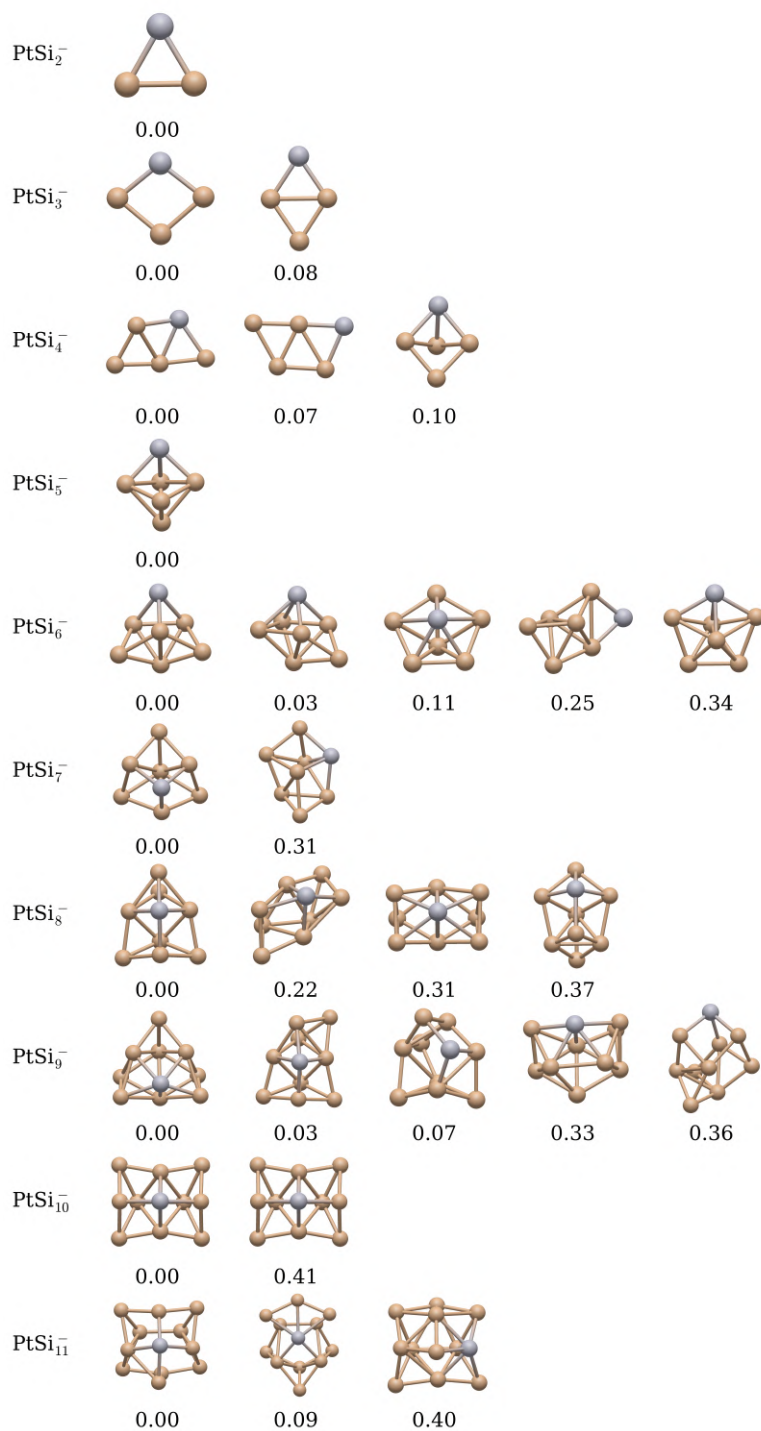


Figure S4: Low-lying energy isomers of the anionic PtSi_n⁻ n = 2 – 11 clusters up to 0.5 eV. Relative energies in eV.

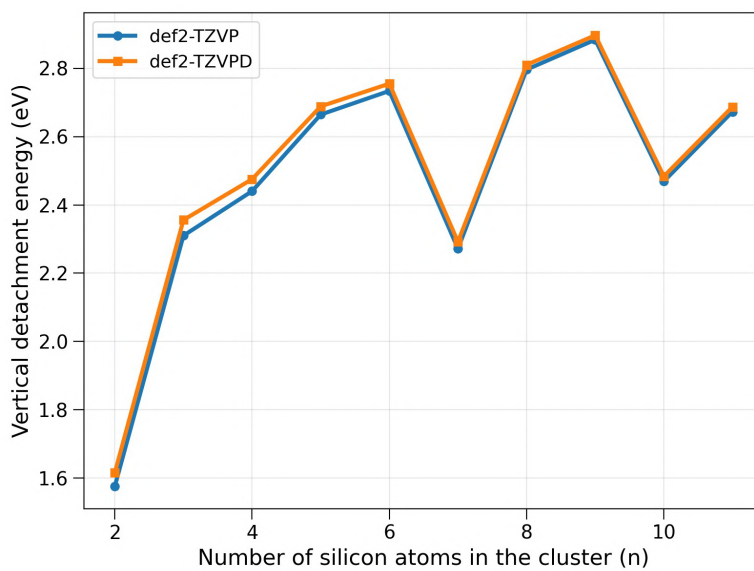


Figure S5: Vertical detachment energies for PtSi_n^- clusters as a function of cluster size n , computed with the PBE0/def2-TZVP and PBE0/def2-TZVPD approximations.