

Electronic Supplementary Information

Pressure-dependent luminescence spectroscopy of molybdenum(IV) oxo complexes

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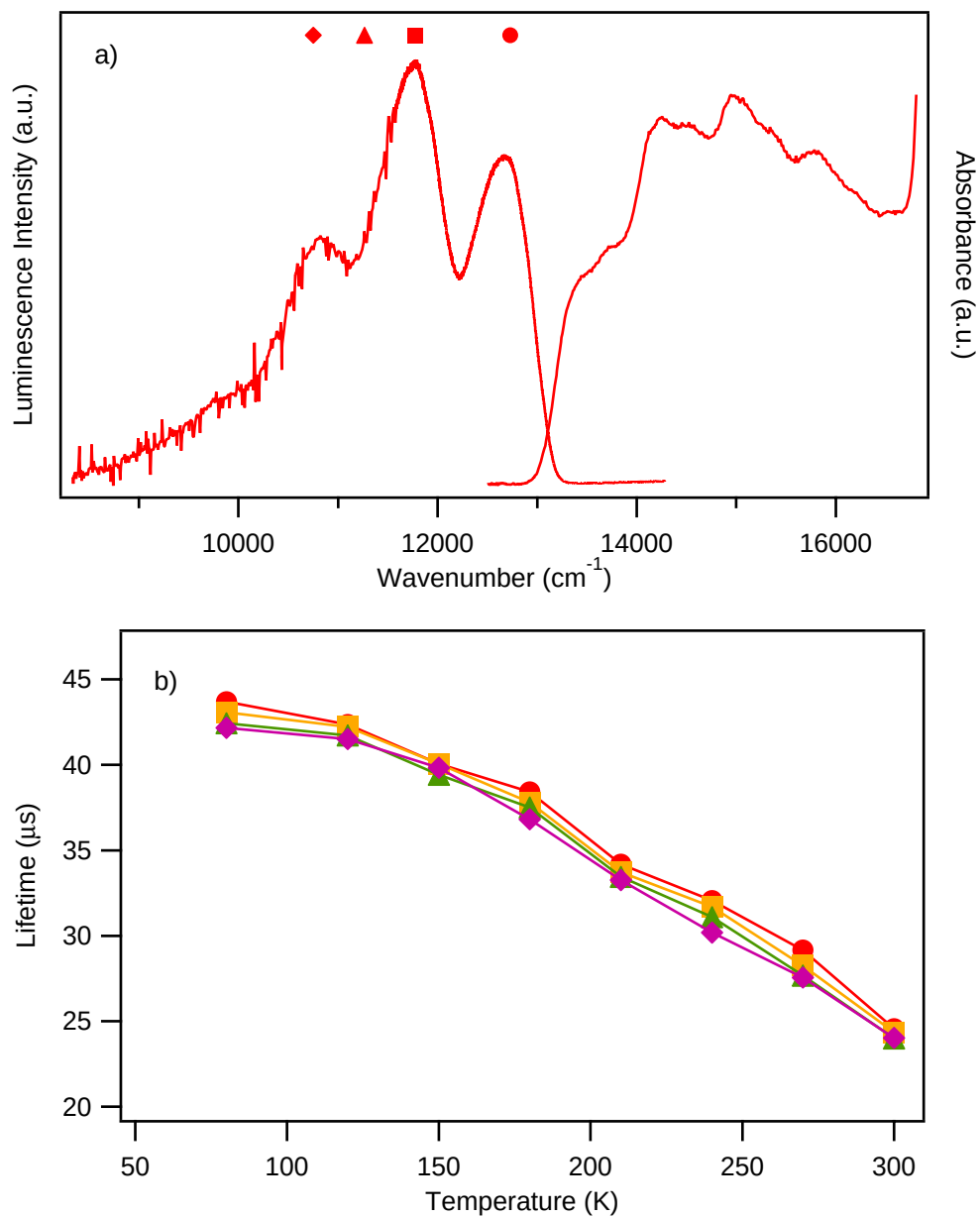


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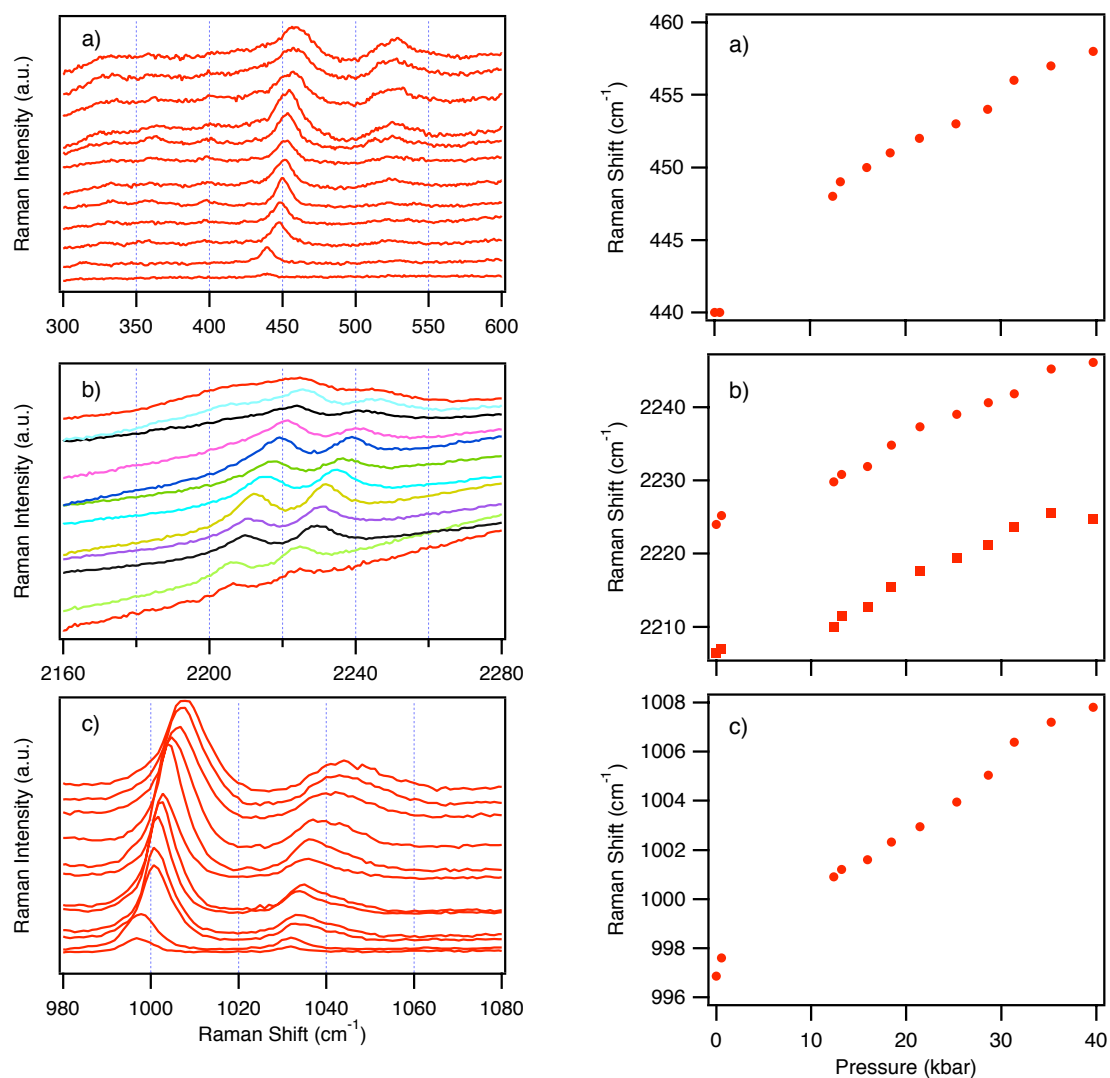


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Slopes ($\text{cm}^{-1}/\text{kbar}$) (for pressures higher than 10 kbar):

- (a) 0.36 ± 0.05
- (b) low frequency mode : 0.53 ± 0.05 and high frequency mode : 0.58 ± 0.05
- (c) 0.28 ± 0.05

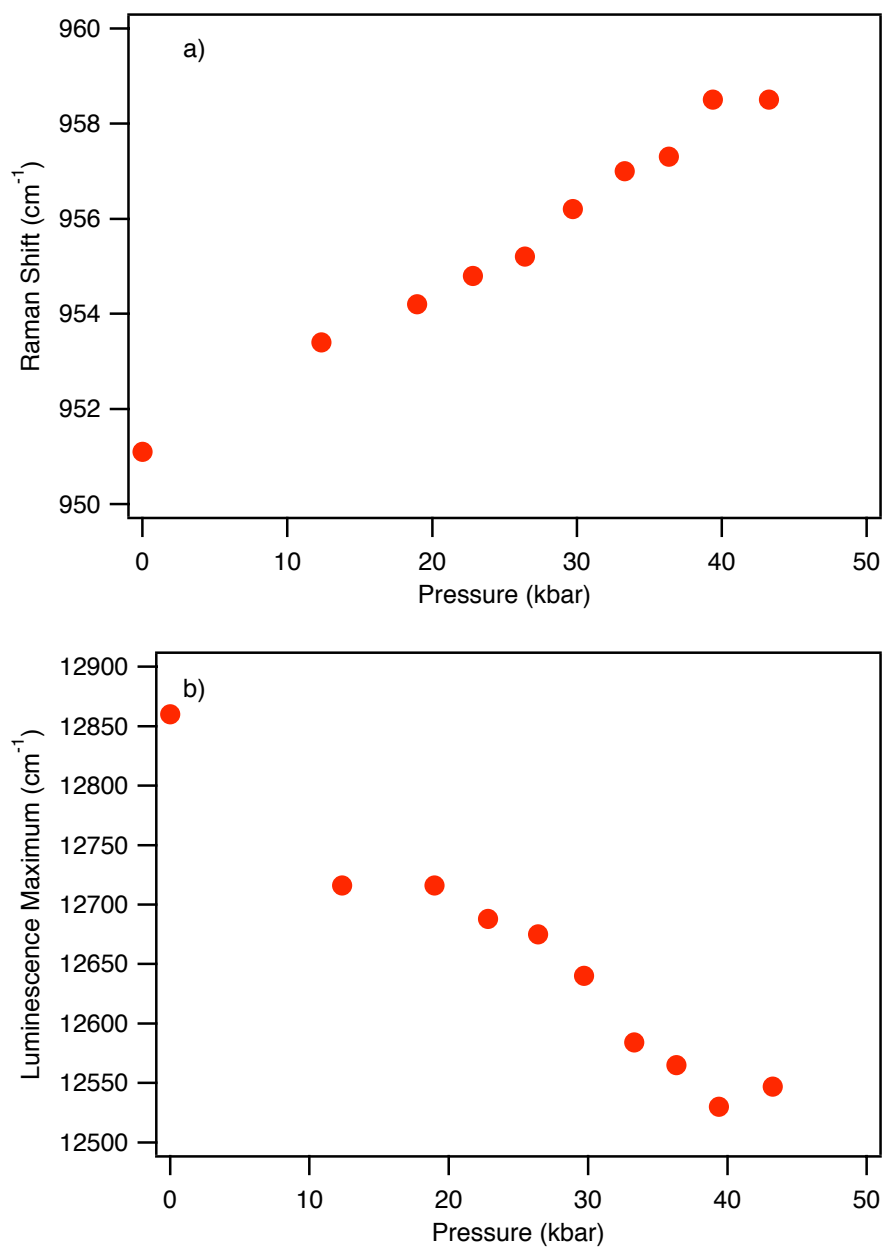


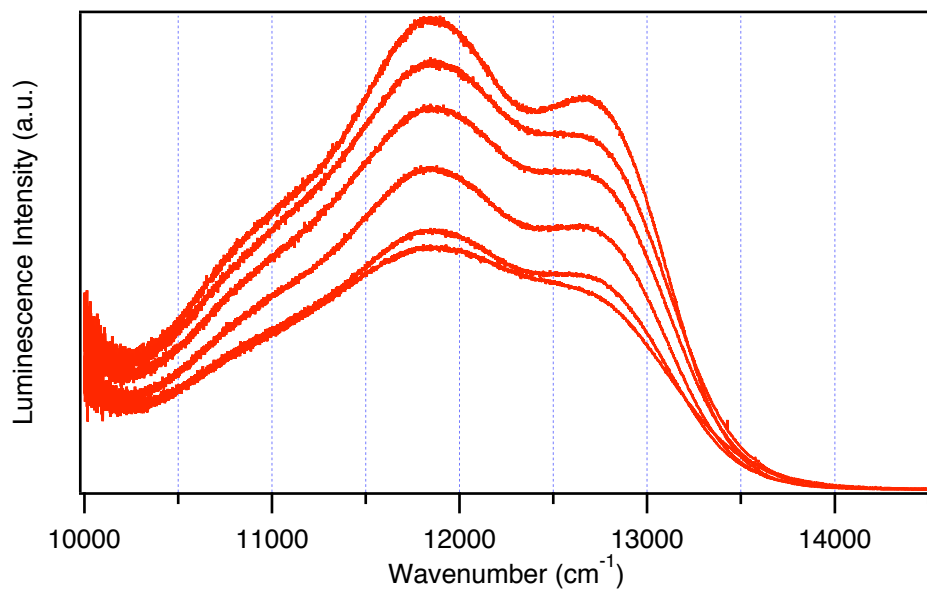
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Slopes (cm⁻¹/kbar)

(a) 0.18 ± 0.05

(b) -7.5 ± 0.5

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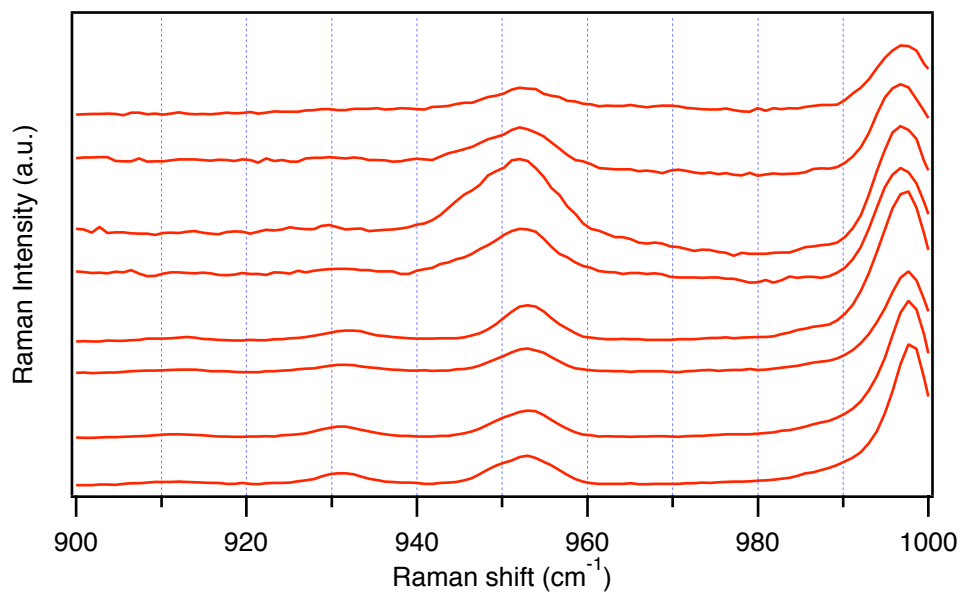
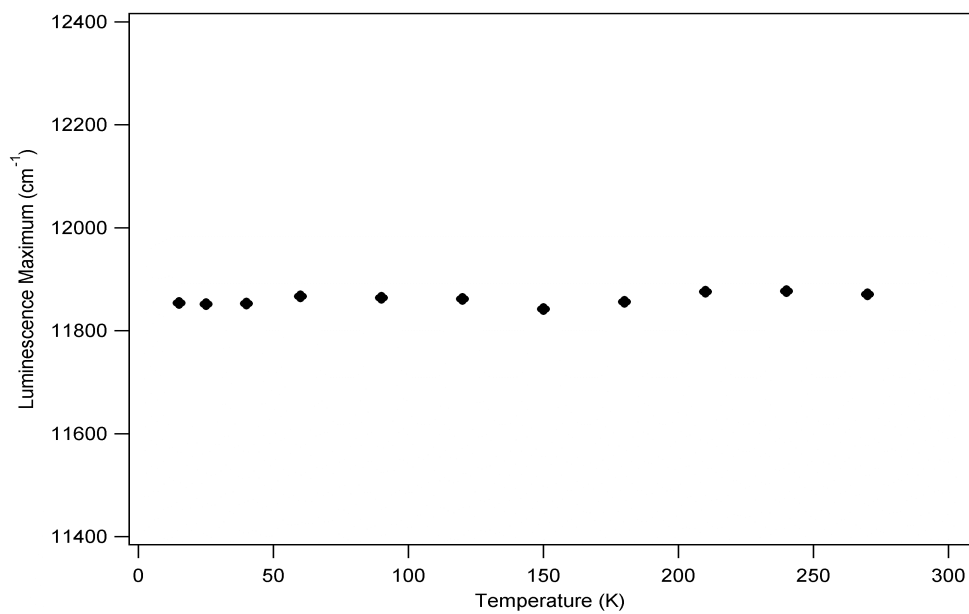


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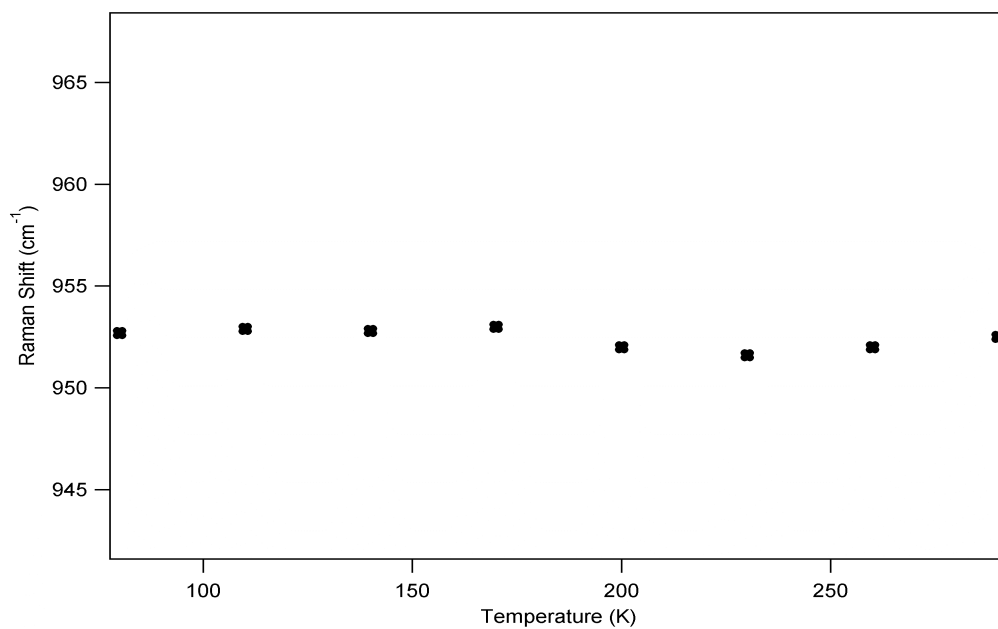


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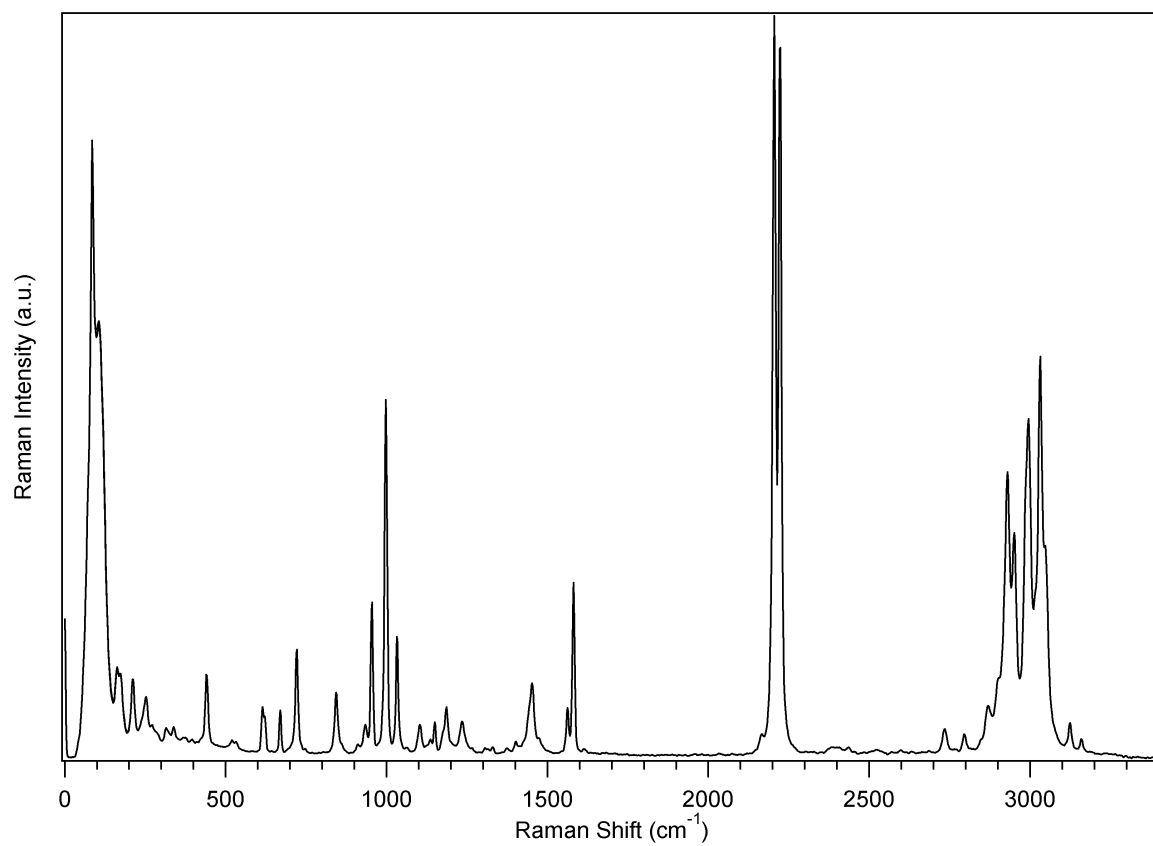
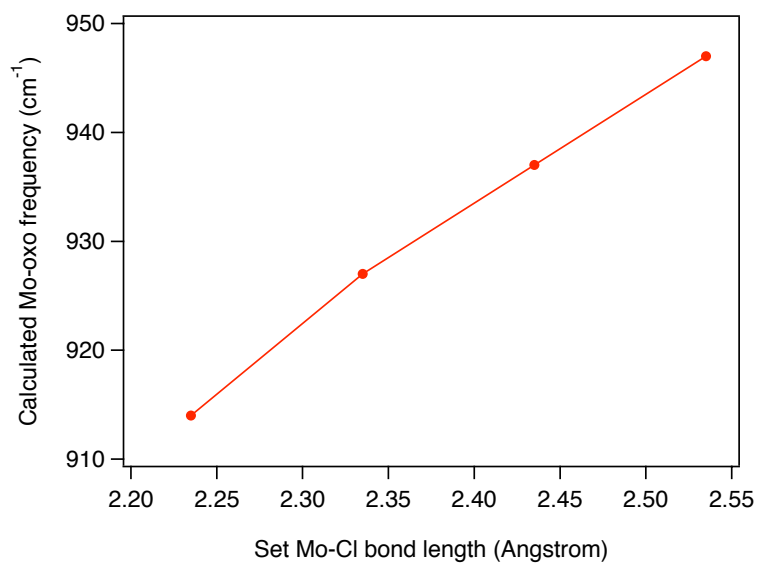


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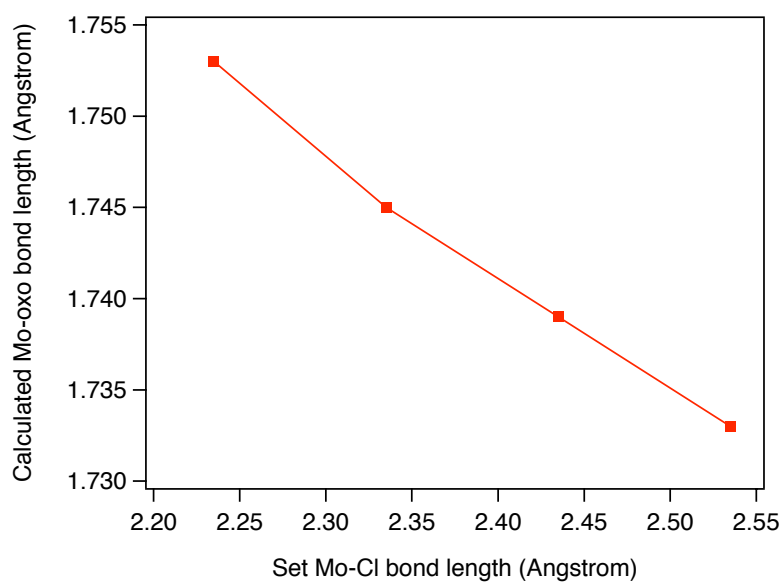


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