

**The formation and stability of molybdenum-antimony and tungsten-antimony ternary oxides Sb_2MO_6 , $Sb_2M_2O_9$, $Sb_2Mo_3O_{12}$ and Sb_4MO_9 in the gas phase ($M = Mo, W$).
Quantum chemical and mass spectrometric studies.**

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Supplementary Materials

Table S1 Molecular symmetries, total energies and thermal energies of the antimony, molybdenum and tungsten oxides and their isomers (def2-TZVP/RI-BP86).

molecule	molecular symmetry	E_{tot} (a.u.)	$E_{\text{therm 298}}$ (kJ·mol ⁻¹)
Sb ₄ O ₆ (I)	T _d	-1413.450842	84.18
Sb ₄ O ₆ (II)	D _{2h}	-1413.408816	84.13
Mo ₃ O ₉ (I)	C _{3v}	-882.913202	118.15
Mo ₃ O ₉ (II)	C _{2v}	-882.874712	117.55
Mo ₄ O ₁₂ (I)	D _{4h}	-1177.237313	160.27
Mo ₄ O ₁₂ (II)	C ₁	-1177.204197	159.15
Mo ₅ O ₁₅ (I)	C _s	-1471.553735	201.98
Mo ₅ O ₁₅ (II)	C _{2v}	-1471.530664	200.63
W ₃ O ₉ (I)	D _{3h}	-879.687121	117.18
W ₃ O ₉ (II)	C ₁	-879.651945	116.62
W ₄ O ₁₂ (I)	C _{4v}	-1172.940438	159.00
W ₄ O ₁₂ (II)	C ₁	-1172.914854	158.31
W ₅ O ₁₅ (I)	C _s	-1466.184910	200.43
W ₅ O ₁₅ (II)	C _{2v}	-1466.173493	199.75

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molecule	molecular symmetry	E _{tot} (a.u.)	E _{therm 298} (kJ·mol ⁻¹)
Sb ₂ MoO ₆ (I)	C _{2v}	-1001.015868	80.37
Sb ₂ MoO ₆ (II)	C _s	-1000.964235	78.00
Sb ₂ Mo ₂ O ₉ (I)	C _s	-1295.352819	122.25
Sb ₂ Mo ₂ O ₉ (II)	C ₁	-1295.331719	122.14
Sb ₂ Mo ₂ O ₉ (III)	C ₁	-1295.324831	121.21
Sb ₂ Mo ₂ O ₉ (IV)	C ₁	-1295.323287	121.18
Sb ₂ Mo ₂ O ₉ (V)	C ₁	-1295.313122	120.61
Sb ₄ MoO ₉ (I)	C _s	-1707.773869	125.97
Sb ₄ MoO ₉ (II)	C ₄	-1707.765030	125.07
Sb ₄ MoO ₉ (III)	C _s	-1707.753925	125.08
Sb ₄ MoO ₉ (IV)	C _s	-1707.749597	126.03
Sb ₄ MoO ₉ (V)	C _s	-1707.725305	126.41
Sb ₄ MoO ₉ (VI)	C _{2v}	-1707.718893	125.12
Sb ₂ Mo ₃ O ₁₂ (I)	C _s	-1589.671665	164.08
Sb ₂ Mo ₃ O ₁₂ (II)	C ₁	-1589.668129	164.18
Sb ₂ Mo ₃ O ₁₂ (III)	C ₁	-1589.647773	164.22
Sb ₂ Mo ₃ O ₁₂ (IV)	C ₁	-1589.637061	161.81
Sb ₂ WO ₆ (I)	C _{2v}	-999.942317	80.01
Sb ₂ WO ₆ (II)	C _{2v}	-999.902957	78.15
Sb ₂ W ₂ O ₉ (I)	C _s	-1293.204927	121.50
Sb ₂ W ₂ O ₉ (II)	C ₁	-1293.186000	121.53
Sb ₂ W ₂ O ₉ (III)	C ₁	-1293.182354	120.67
Sb ₂ W ₂ O ₉ (IV)	C ₁	-1.293.186766	120.82
Sb ₂ W ₂ O ₉ (V)	C ₁	-1.293.181353	120.12
Sb ₄ WO ₉ (I)	C _s	-1706.701626	125.62
Sb ₄ WO ₉ (II)	C ₄	-1706.705806	125.13
Sb ₄ WO ₉ (III)	C _s	-1706.695186	125.09
Sb ₄ WO ₉ (IV)	C ₁	-1706.677443	125.75
Sb ₄ WO ₉ (V)	C _s	-1706.653897	126.11
Sb ₄ WO ₉ (VI)	C _{2v}	-1706.662854	125.26

Table S3 Experimental²³ and calculated thermodynamic characteristics of the molybdenum and antimony oxides (def2-TZVP/RI-BP86).

Molecule	S^0_{298}	S^0_{1000}	$c^0_{p,T} = a + b \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot T + c \cdot 10^6 \cdot T^2$			
	(J·mol ⁻¹ ·K ⁻¹)	(J·mol ⁻¹ ·K ⁻¹)	(exp. // QC)	a	b	c
Sb ₄ O ₆	444.2 // 461.8	699.8 // 719.1	217.6 // 222.6	14.1 // 9.0	-3.5 // -3.6	
Mo ₃ O ₉	526.7 // 525.5	837.3 // 820.0	274.5 // 246.8	4.2 // 30.7	-4.8 // -5.1	
Mo ₄ O ₁₂	654.0 // 639.4	1074.2 // 1038.8	371.4 // 333.1	5.7 // 42.3	-6.5 // -6.5	
Mo ₅ O ₁₅	771.5 // 798.1	1301.3 // 1302.7	468.2 // 420.4	7.2 // 52.9	-8.2 // -8.0	
W ₃ O ₉	504.7 // 542.5	845.3 // 838.2	274.5 // 247.7	4.2 // 30.1	-4.8 // -4.9	
W ₄ O ₁₂	605.3 // 668.1	1028.9 // 1069.2	372.0 // 334.1	5.0 // 41.4	-5.9 // -6.3	

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Molecule	S^0_{298}	$c^0_{p,T} = a + b \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot T + c \cdot 10^6 \cdot T^2$		
	(J·mol ⁻¹ ·K ⁻¹)	a	b	c
Sb ₂ MoO ₆	440.9	188.9	16.8	-3.3
Sb ₂ Mo ₂ O ₉	566.4	273.3	31.0	-4.7
Sb ₂ Mo ₃ O ₁₂ (I)	691.0	360.2	41.4	-6.1
Sb ₂ Mo ₃ O ₁₂ (II)	699.9	360.3	41.4	-6.2
Sb ₄ MoO ₉	626.3	306.6	23.0	-4.8
Sb ₂ WO ₆	448.9	192.8	11.8	-3.5
Sb ₂ W ₂ O ₉	593.0	281.4	20.5	-5.0
Sb ₄ WO ₉	569.2	311.7	16.4	-5.0

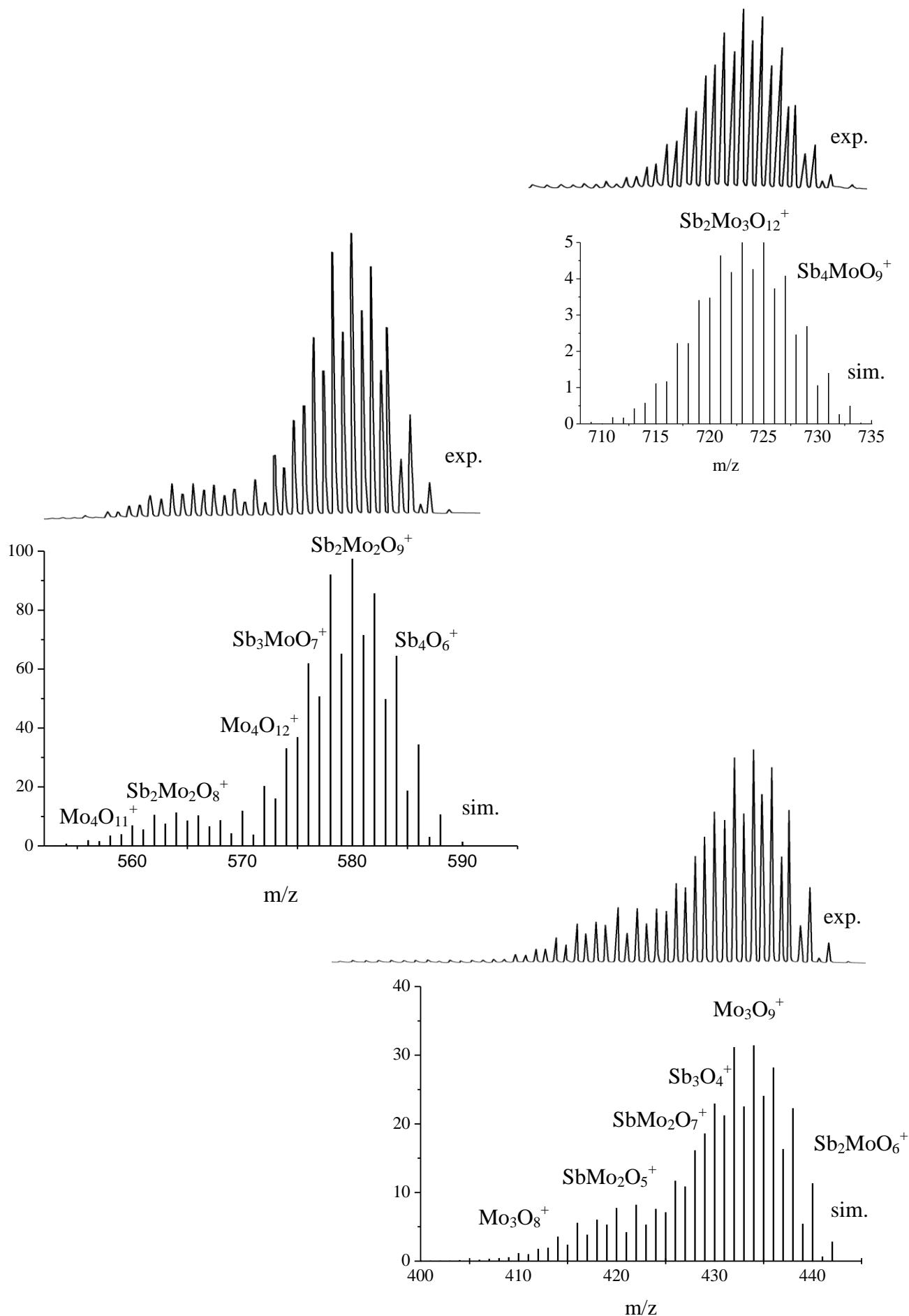


Fig. S1 Experimental and simulated mass spectra of $\text{Sb}_2\text{Mo}_3\text{O}_{12}$, 893 K, 70 eV.

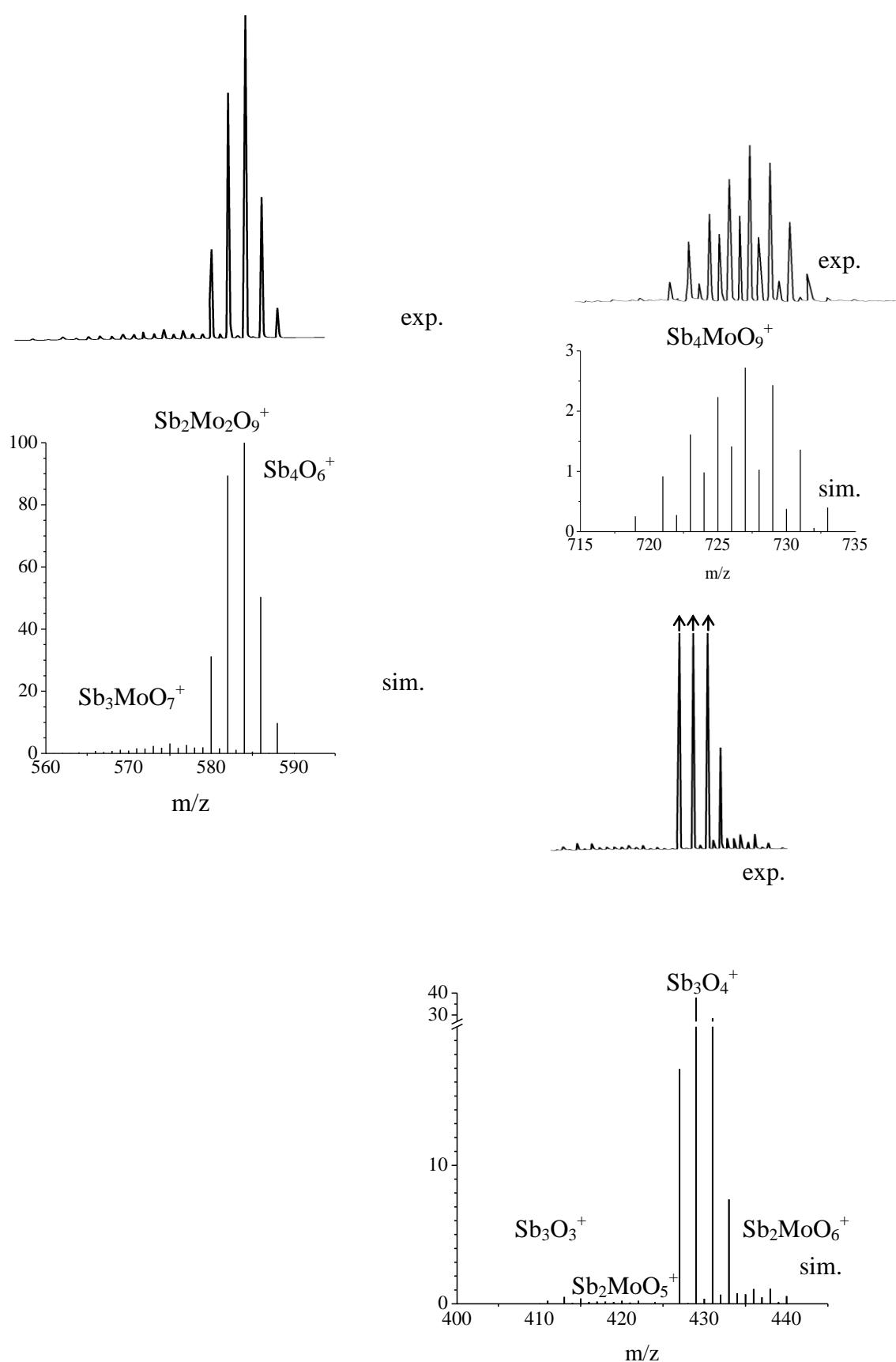


Fig. S2 Experimental and simulated mass spectra of Sb_2MoO_6 , 840 K, 70 eV.

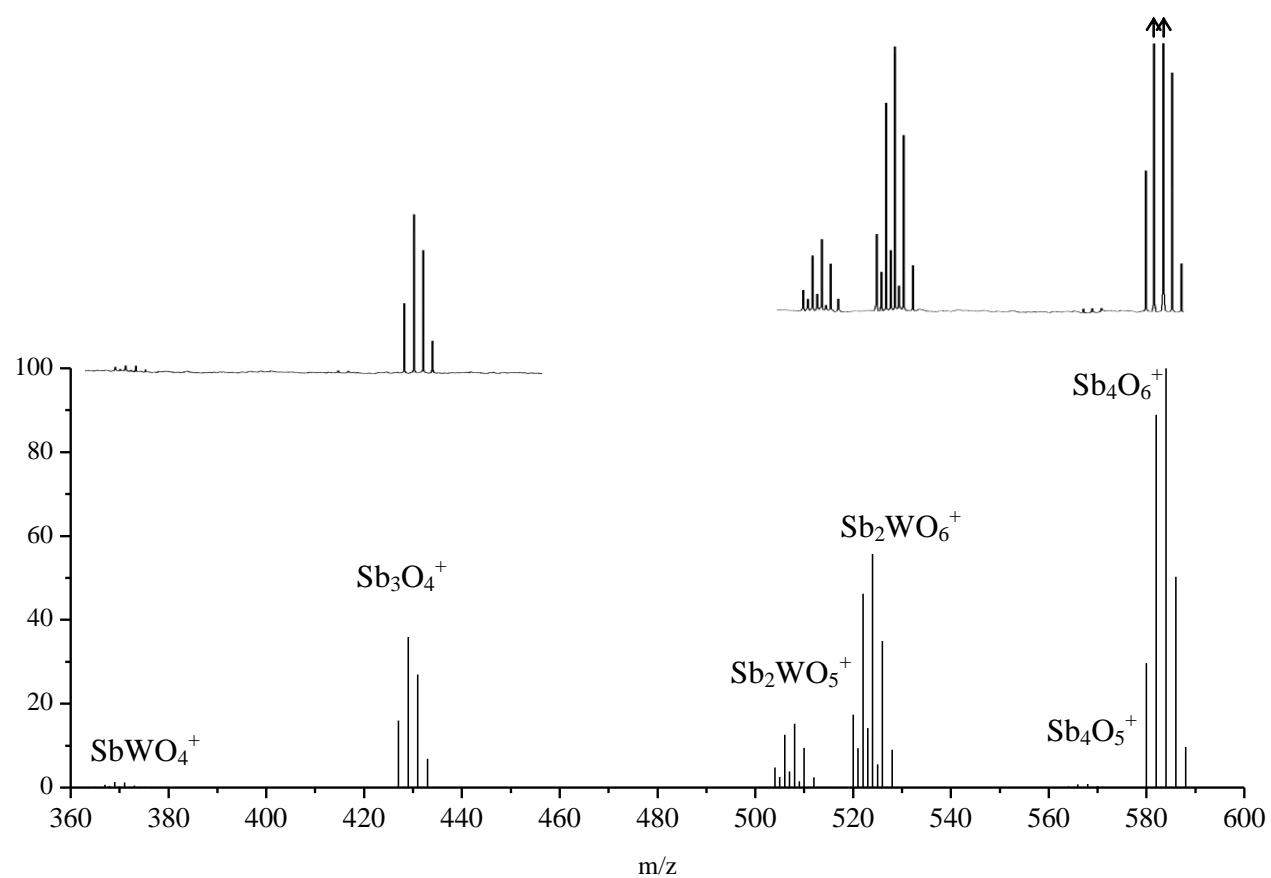
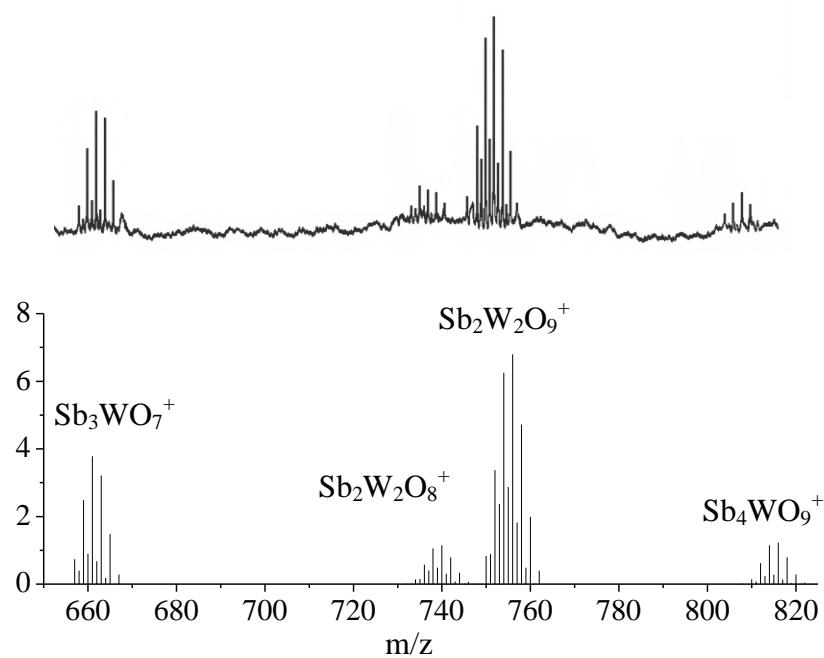


Fig. S3 Experimental and simulated mass spectra of gaseous Sb_2O_3 above solid WO_3 , 1080 K, 70 eV.

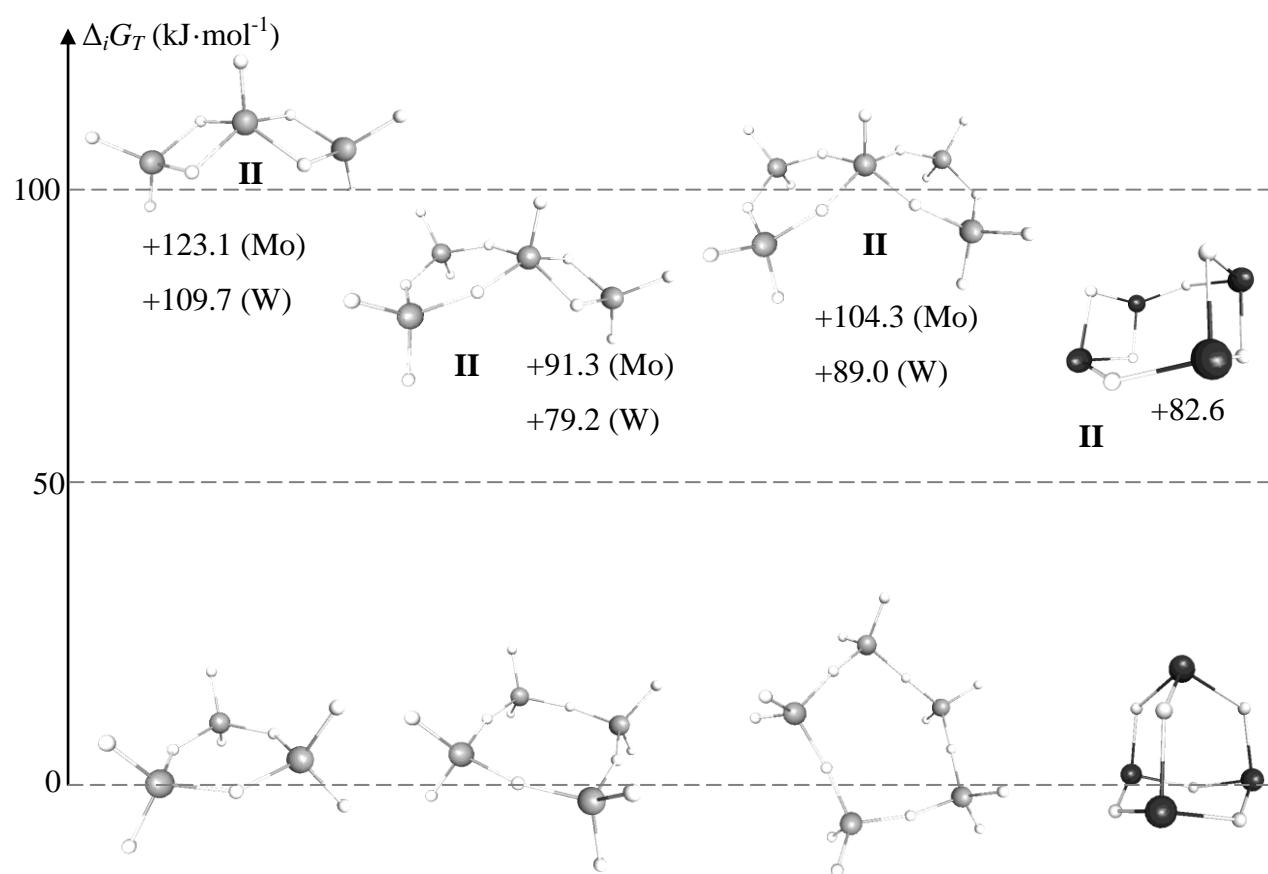


Fig. S4 Gibbs free energy of the isomer transition of $(MO_3)_x$ ($x = 3-5$, $M = Mo, W$) and Sb_4O_6 (def2-TZVP/RI-BP86) at the experimental temperatures.

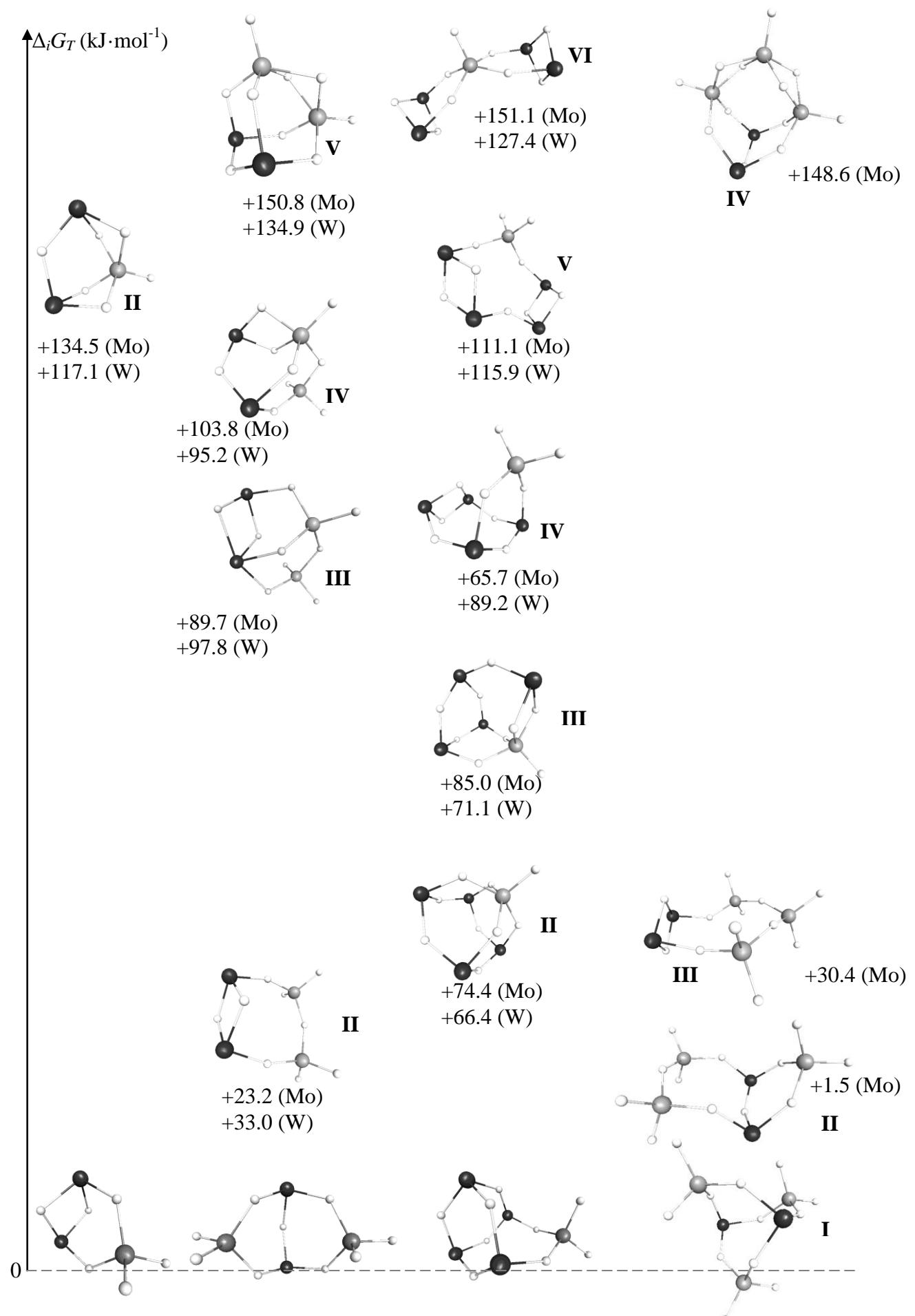


Fig. S5 Gibbs free energy of the isomer transition of Sb_2MO_6 , $\text{Sb}_2\text{M}_2\text{O}_9$, Sb_4MO_9 ($\text{M} = \text{Mo}, \text{W}$) and $\text{Sb}_2\text{Mo}_3\text{O}_{12}$ oxides (def2-TZVP/RI-BP86) at the experimental temperatures.

