

## Supplementary Materials

# How are small endohedral silicon clusters stabilized?

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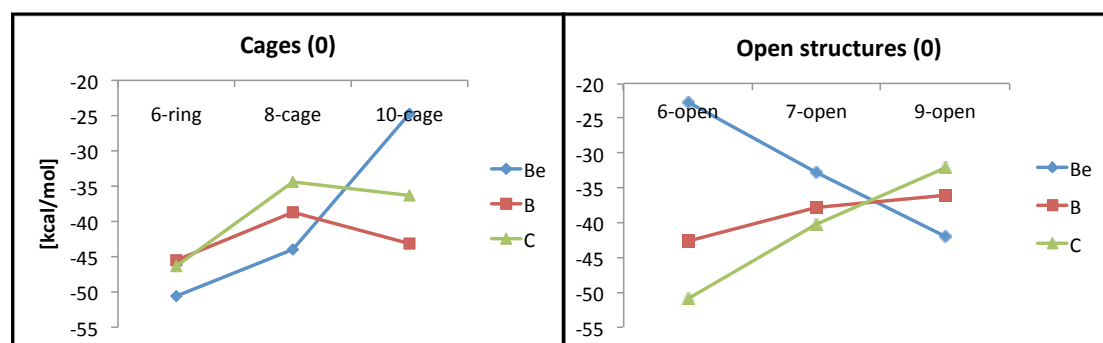


Figure S1:  $\Delta E_{\text{cage relaxation}}$  [kcal/mol] towards the neutral ring/cage and open structures of  $\text{XSi}_n$  ( $n=6-10$ ) after removal of the interstitial atom. Energies are computed at the B3LYP/aug-cc-pVTZ level.

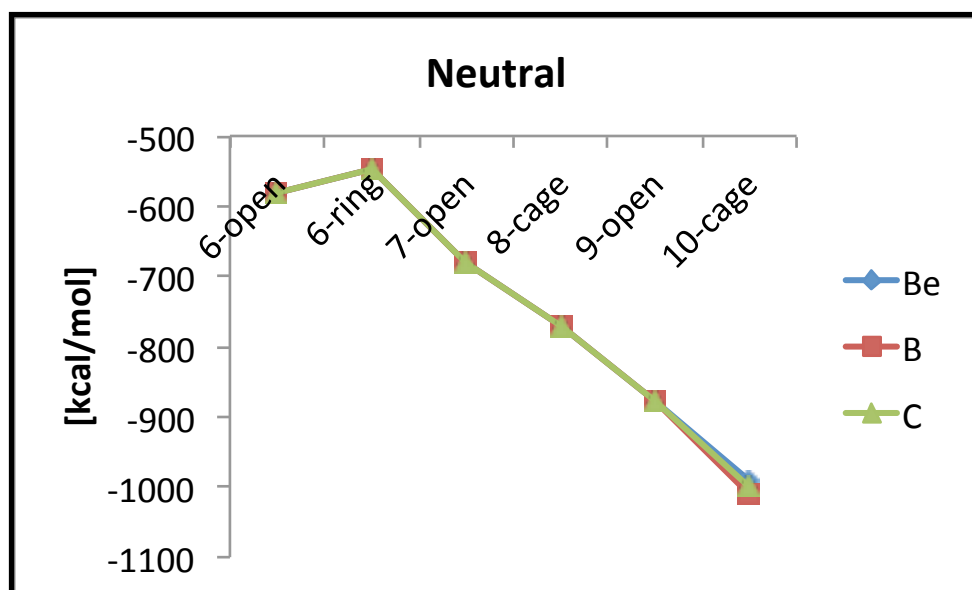


Figure S2:  $\Delta E_{\text{Si}(n) \text{ atomisation}}$  [kcal/mol] of the neutral ring, cages and open structures of  $\text{XSi}_n$  ( $n=6-10$ ). Energies are computed at the B3LYP/aug-cc-pVTZ level.

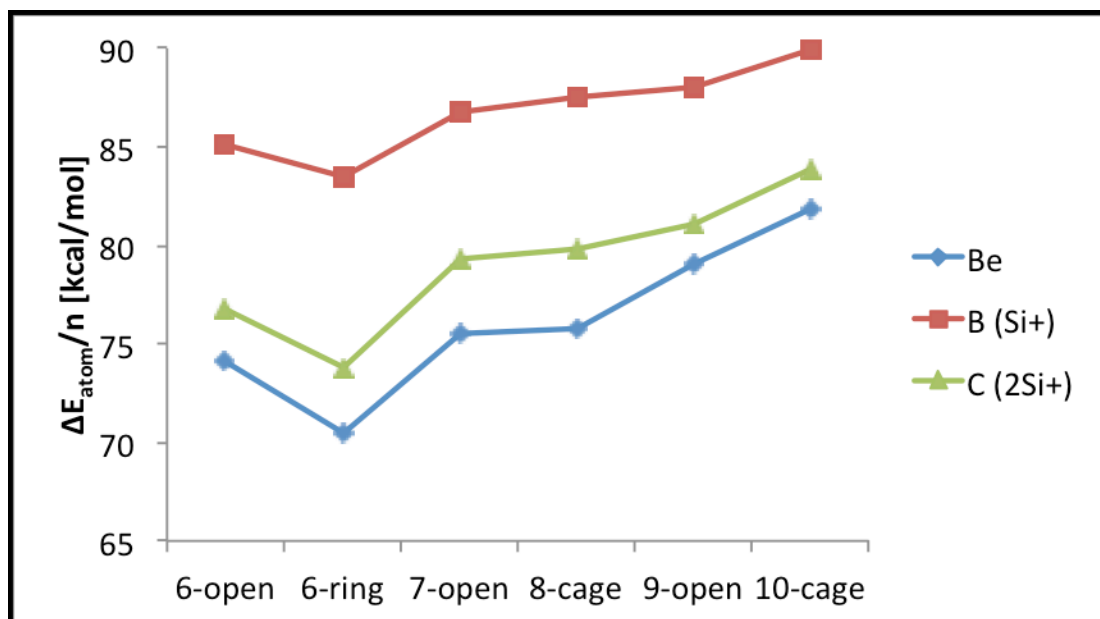


Figure S3: Atomization energy per atom [kcal/mol] of the bordered structures of Fig. 3 and Fig. S4, computed at the CCSD(T)-F12b level. For the charged clusters, the lowest-energy fragmentation produces singly-charged Si atoms through  $\text{XSi}_n^{\text{a}+} \rightarrow \text{X} + \text{aSi}^+ + (\text{n-a})\text{Si}$ .

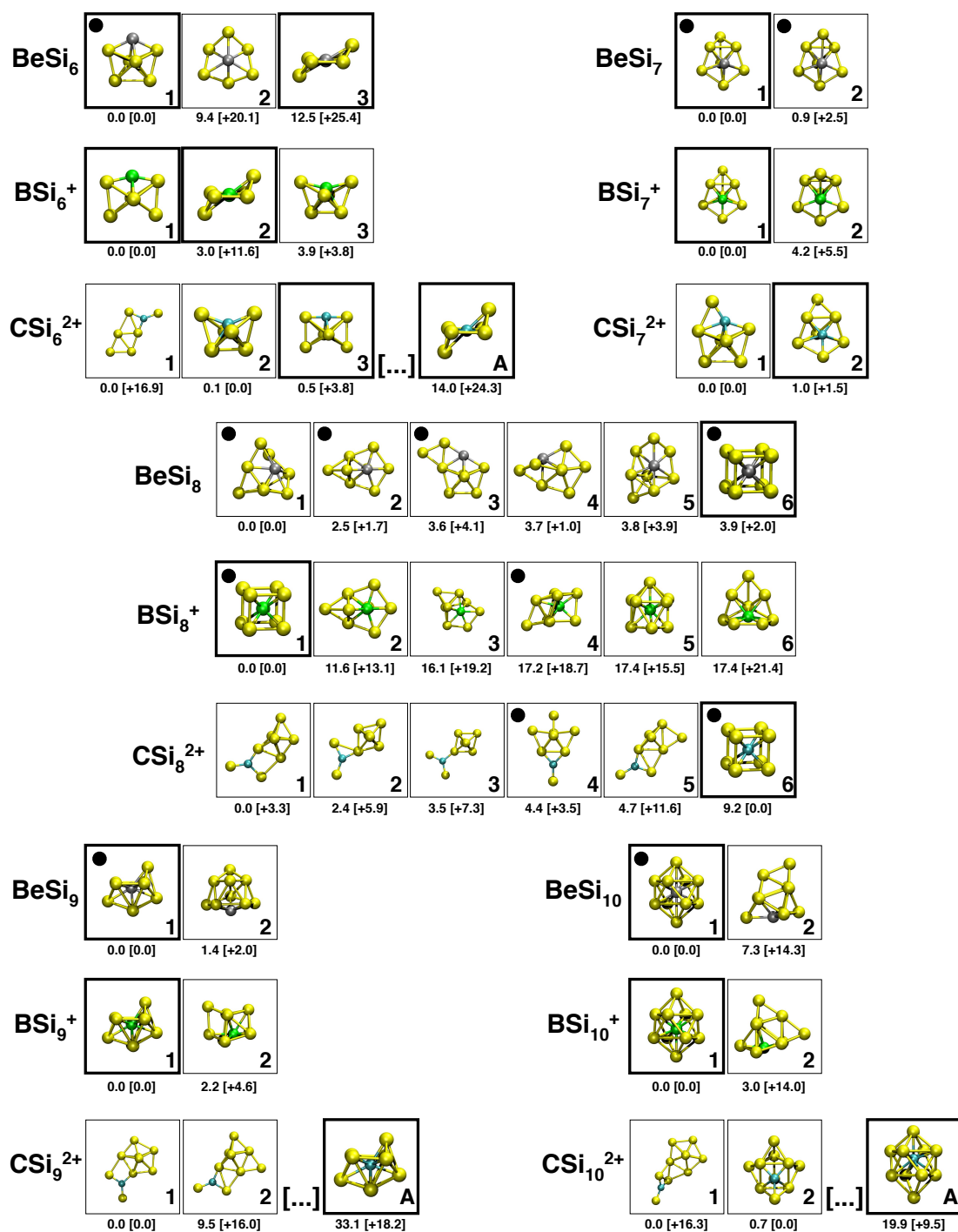


Figure S4: XSi<sub>6-10</sub> low-lying singlet isomers. Values in bold are relative energies in kcal/mol at the CCSD(T)-F12b/VDZ-F12 and B3LYP/aug-cc-pVTZ level (within brackets). Black dots (upper left corner) indicate structures previously described in the literature. Bordered structures are the symmetric isomers further analyzed in this work. T1 diagnostics are given in Table S1.

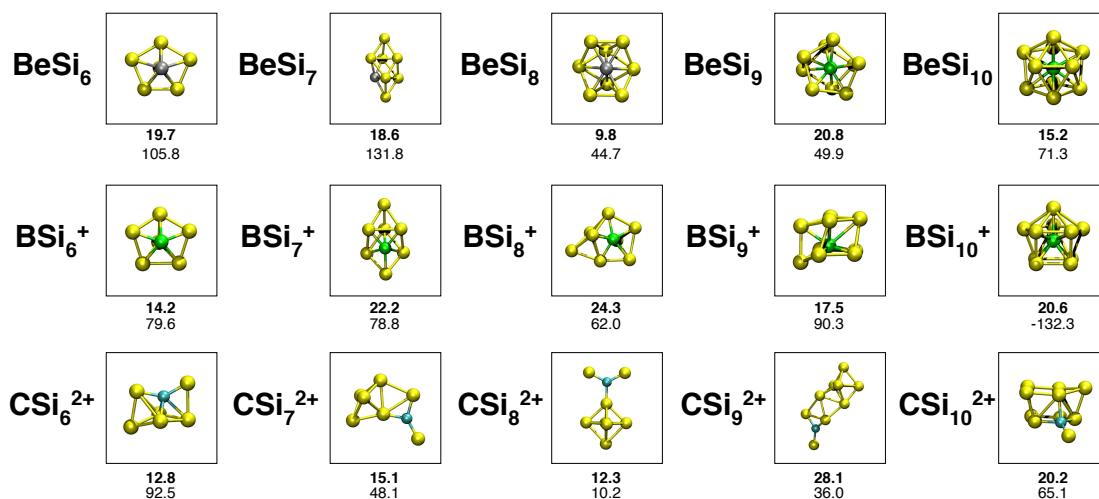


Figure S5: Lowest-lying triplet structures located for  $\text{XSi}_{6-10}$ , along with relative B3LYP/aug-cc-pVTZ energies [kcal/mol] and vibrational frequencies [ $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ] computed at the same level.

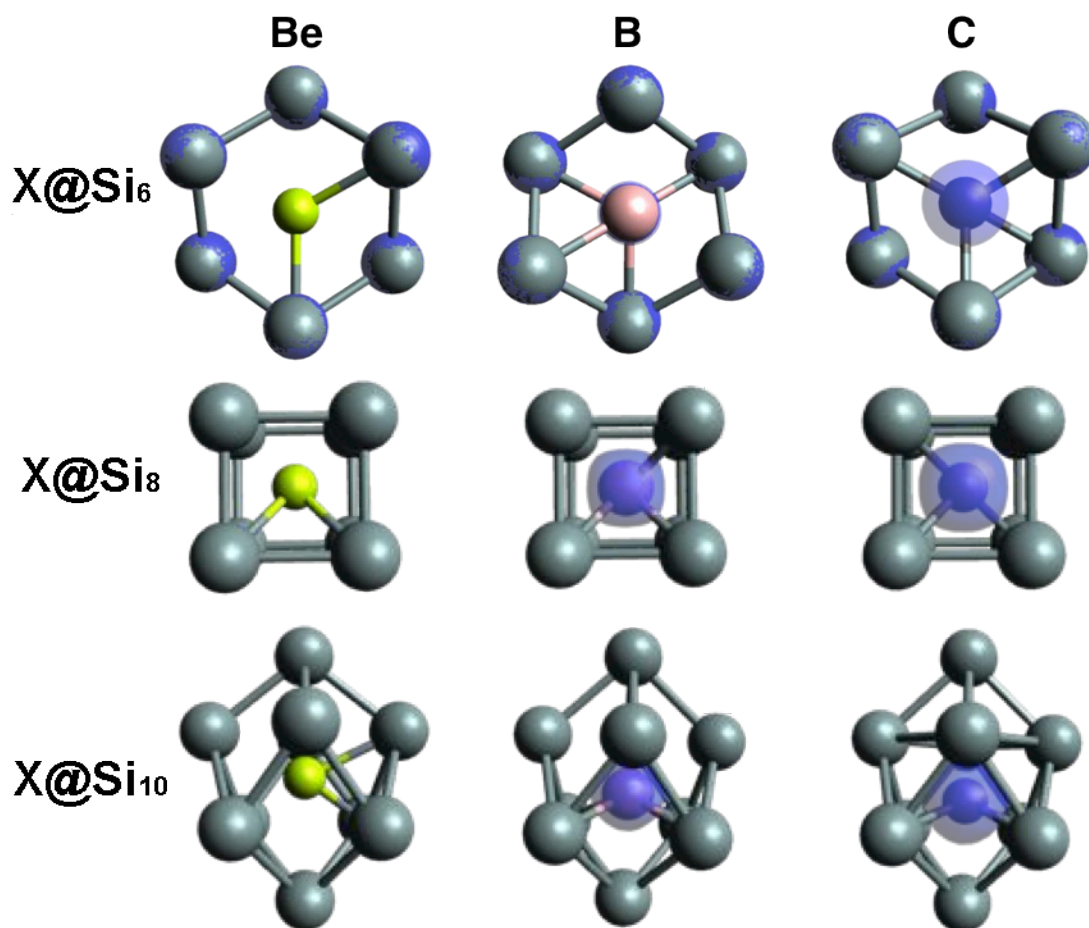
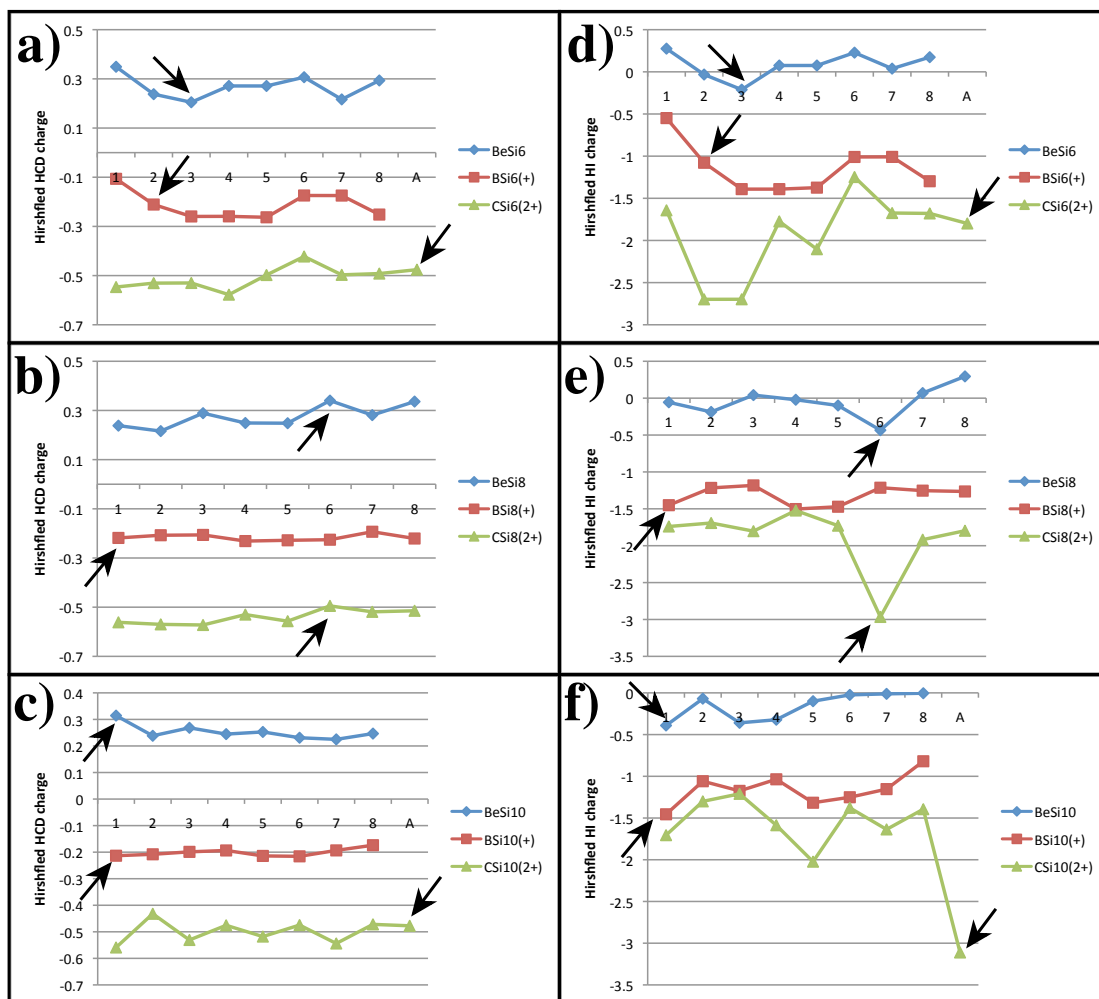


Fig. S6: B3LYP/ aug-cc-pVTZ electron density for the endohedral  $\text{X@Si}_{6-10}$  isomers. Isovalue is 0.08 (0.06 for  $\text{X@Si}_6$ ).



**Figure S7:** Hirshfeld classical dominant (left) and Hirshfeld iterative (right) charges for low-lying isomers shown in Figure S4, a,d)  $XSi_6$ , b, e)  $XSi_8$  and c, f)  $XSi_{10}$ . Arrows refer to the  $X@Si_6$  rings, the  $X@Si_8$  and  $X@Si_{10}$  cages.

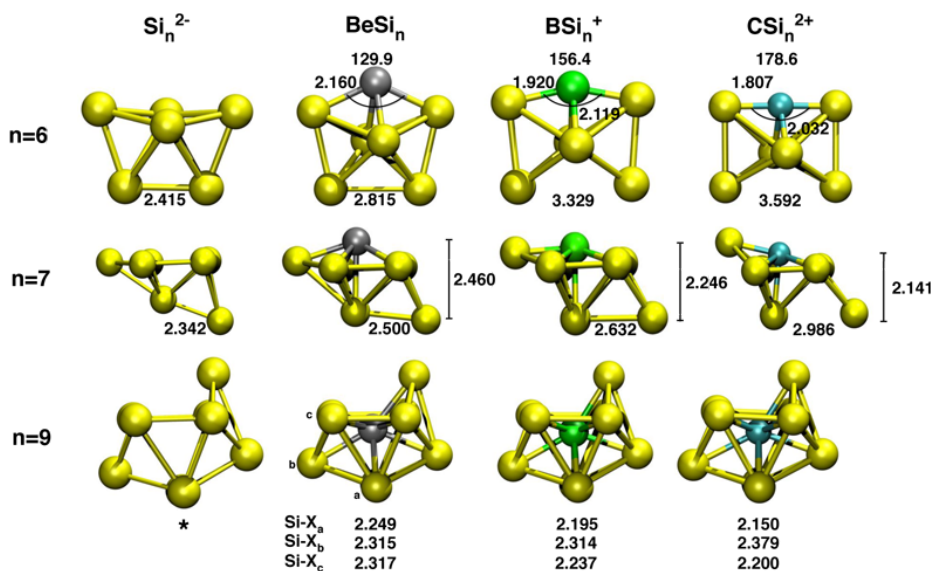
**Table S1:** T1 diagnostics for the  $XSi_n$  structures. The number or symbol in parenthesis refers to the molecule label as used in Figure S4.

n=	$BeSi_n$	$BSi_n^+$	$CSi_n^{2+}$
6 (1)	0.021	0.025	0.022
6 (2)	0.030	0.032	0.023
6 (3)	0.042	0.021	0.032
6 (A)			0.029
7 (1)	0.024	0.022	0.023
7 (2)	0.028	0.024	0.021
8 (1)	0.028	0.017	0.024
8 (2)	0.026	0.023	0.025
8 (3)	0.022	0.026	0.025
8 (4)	0.025	0.023	0.022
8 (5)	0.028	0.021	0.028
8 (6)	0.016	0.026	0.018

9 (1)	0.029	0.022	0.023
9 (2)	0.030	0.031	0.026
9 (A)			0.019
10 (1)	0.024	0.021	0.024
10 (2)	0.027	0.025	0.028
10 (A)			0.021

**Table S2:** Charge of the X atoms in the isomers of  $XSi_{6-10}$  shown in Figure S4 using Mulliken, NPA and Hirshfeld classical (HC), and iterative dominant (HID) schemes, and Voronoi deformation density (VDD). Values were computed at the B3LYP/aug-cc-pVTZ level, except for the VDD charges, which were computed at the B3LYP/ATZ2P level (in ADF 2012).

	Compound	Mulliken	NPA	HC	HCD	HI	HID	VDD
$XSi_6$	$BeSi_6$ <b>1</b>	1.29	-0.11	0.09	0.35	0.28	0.48	0.02
	$BSi_6^+$ <b>1</b>	0.46	-1.20	-0.10	-0.11	-0.55	-0.32	-0.23
	$CSi_6^{2+}$ <b>3</b>	0.19	-1.98	-0.29	-0.53	-2.70	-2.53	-0.34
$XSi_7$	$BeSi_7$ <b>1</b>	1.82	-0.63	-0.03	0.23	-0.05	-0.77	-0.12
	$BSi_7^+$ <b>1</b>	0.85	-1.72	-0.17	-0.20	-0.96	-0.51	-0.34
	$CSi_7^{2+}$ <b>2</b>	0.28	-2.24	-0.22	-0.48	-1.57	-1.99	-0.39
$XSi_9$	$BeSi_9$ <b>1</b>	4.25	-2.16	-0.16	0.27	-0.37	-0.79	-0.31
	$BSi_9^+$ <b>1</b>	3.41	-2.47	-0.20	-0.21	-1.39	-1.56	-0.40
	$CSi_9^{2+}$ <b>A</b>	1.79	-2.92	-0.20	-0.47	-2.95	-3.05	-0.41



**Figure S8:** Comparison of the bond distances [Å] in open structures  $XSi_6$ ,  $XSi_7$  and  $XSi_9$ , and  $Si_n^{2-}$  bare dianions. The star indicates that the structure is not a stationary point on the PES.

## Cartesian coordinates of the $\text{XSi}_n$ structures.

### **BeSi<sub>6</sub>**

7

SCF Done: -1751.82505968

Be	0.890366	0.420885	0.498698
Si	-1.165544	0.419764	-0.164981
Si	0.739832	-0.530639	-1.508265
Si	-1.357703	-1.782470	-1.259242
Si	0.002483	-1.601906	0.776817
Si	1.218565	-2.869845	-0.938096
Si	2.417474	-1.092361	0.282695

7

SCF Done: -1751.81001965

Be	0.083011	-0.109351	-0.940499
Si	-1.340287	-0.939009	0.832179
Si	-2.128988	0.008572	-1.114525
Si	0.125113	-2.254793	-0.363907
Si	1.886817	-1.547712	-1.670160
Si	0.435712	-0.475458	-3.103393
Si	-0.949648	1.299889	-2.614831

7

SCF Done: -1751.80516600

Be	-1.867053	-0.590805	-0.238098
Si	-0.926019	1.135345	0.816995
Si	-1.574239	-2.608459	0.668511
Si	-2.157349	1.427027	-1.145734
Si	-1.948824	-0.488291	-2.465502
Si	-2.805866	-2.317820	-1.294200
Si	-1.782452	-0.693801	1.989361

### **BeSi<sub>6</sub> triplet**

7

SCF Done: -1751.79370613

Be	0.291477	0.335521	-2.094314
Si	2.057964	-0.899635	-1.025077
Si	-0.472803	-0.912632	0.295773
Si	-1.996790	-0.408579	-2.065020
Si	-1.171521	1.325180	-0.743624
Si	1.117026	1.048176	-0.155983
Si	0.000446	-1.804373	-1.972180

### **BSi<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup>**

7

SCF Done: -1761.63996689

B	-0.730211	1.002880	0.226842
Si	-1.703047	-0.869470	0.419427
Si	0.773492	-0.069037	0.753763
Si	-0.298614	0.088096	-1.635163
Si	0.187383	-2.076287	-0.581403
Si	-2.362140	1.410254	-0.699817
Si	-2.588881	-0.766091	-1.869052

7

SCF Done: -1761.63513716

B	0.205989	0.605408	-0.934568
Si	1.457805	1.501602	-2.442745



Si -1.718279 -0.070110 -1.630388  
Si -0.805338 1.957604 -2.273316  
Si 2.129665 1.282184 -0.238451  
Si 1.217672 -0.745765 0.405042  
Si -1.045653 -0.289881 0.573745

7

SCF Done: -1761.63377689

B 0.329723 -0.134873 0.832450  
Si 1.497184 1.145758 -0.203042  
Si 0.584681 -1.918271 -0.040476  
Si -1.771229 -0.658869 0.715936  
Si -0.052487 -1.300275 2.435083  
Si -0.500925 -0.036317 -1.168320  
Si -0.747104 1.530701 1.106528

### **BSi<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> triplet**

7

SCF Done: -1761.61734080

B 0.674208 -0.851529 -0.908867  
Si -1.396885 -0.610737 -1.105750  
Si 1.787126 0.432611 0.254976  
Si -0.018734 1.366809 -1.302963  
Si -0.171488 -0.689846 0.984870  
Si 0.125029 -1.285279 -2.868187  
Si 1.974300 0.054037 -2.224684

### **CSi<sub>6</sub><sup>2+</sup>**

7

SCF Done: -1774.45031766

C 2.653962 1.704959 -0.185064  
Si 1.139563 2.448126 0.600715  
Si -0.588987 1.070376 -1.160270  
Si 0.536668 -0.477718 -2.930745  
Si 4.410849 1.820822 0.069722  
Si -1.871600 -0.114012 -2.660562  
Si 1.682109 0.770288 -1.365227

7

SCF Done: -1774.45019070

C 1.133221 0.776392 0.202879  
Si 2.345874 1.955599 1.178288  
Si -0.885477 0.485901 -0.295488  
Si -0.112685 1.438187 1.751750  
Si 0.520505 2.446673 -0.669492  
Si 0.824652 -0.787879 1.374328  
Si 1.289019 -0.533409 -1.230819

7

SCF Done: -1774.44945414

C 0.658003 0.017528 -0.235589  
Si 1.033472 -0.879700 1.287095  
Si 0.258362 0.942595 -1.735277  
Si -1.107458 2.648883 -0.343194  
Si 0.964430 1.771072 0.743201  
Si -0.336021 0.838057 2.661241  
Si -1.252578 0.271348 0.407424

7

SCF Done: -1774.42798473

C -1.866458 -0.590889 -0.238250  
Si -0.797297 0.977836 0.695083  
Si -1.398547 -2.494341 0.557356

Si	-2.333200	1.313147	-1.034603
Si	-1.746026	-0.528006	-2.349390
Si	-2.934748	-2.160489	-1.172336
Si	-1.985525	-0.654063	1.873474

**CSi<sub>6</sub><sup>2+</sup> triplet**

7

SCF Done: -1774.42997287

C	-0.488859	-1.198892	1.076174
Si	-1.066543	0.747702	1.265869
Si	-1.689564	-2.531344	1.622859
Si	-2.512320	-0.694893	0.046462
Si	1.295548	-0.724294	1.330243
Si	-0.341588	-0.804875	-0.919801
Si	0.884104	1.226396	-0.191601

**BeSi<sub>7</sub>**

8

SCF Done: -2041.34840318

Be	-0.046407	1.009481	2.228010
Si	-0.992459	0.489559	0.017207
Si	-1.924639	-0.092403	2.343231
Si	0.278216	2.717670	0.892440
Si	0.268478	-1.064493	1.633380
Si	-1.997350	2.195018	1.718524
Si	1.554406	0.620260	0.567357
Si	-1.802239	-1.792426	0.640031

8

SCF Done: -2041.34704712

Be	1.419704	-0.547958	-0.396520
Si	-0.185051	0.973704	-0.104273
Si	0.687800	-2.351360	-1.571955
Si	-0.153752	-0.084608	-2.346733
Si	1.834577	1.984082	0.472286
Si	-0.650911	-1.328979	0.157580
Si	1.880647	1.188539	-1.718312
Si	2.535774	-0.997252	-2.334792

**BeSi<sub>7</sub> triplet**

8

SCF Done: -2041.31882792

Be	0.030869	-1.345215	-0.012386
Si	0.537319	-1.473689	2.180250
Si	2.876646	-1.053537	-1.007884
Si	1.840948	-2.646058	0.534594
Si	0.647450	0.088519	-1.586295
Si	2.140165	-0.938881	-3.249222
Si	1.632651	0.114129	0.744613
Si	0.838416	-2.417065	-1.776717

**BSi<sub>7</sub><sup>+</sup>**

8

SCF Done: -2051.17880805

B	-0.322969	-0.000959	0.678676
Si	0.609057	0.283872	-1.344657
Si	-1.414918	1.505462	-0.177171
Si	1.794683	-0.468096	0.943201
Si	0.854679	1.661369	0.889602
Si	-0.046457	-1.993568	0.381773
Si	-1.810979	-0.715781	-0.751780
Si	0.317967	2.889052	-1.106849

8

SCF Done: -2051.17206617

B	-0.072837	0.755324	0.137764
Si	-1.845491	1.008528	-0.977985
Si	0.270057	0.486646	-1.923972
Si	1.811432	1.620750	-0.448680
Si	-1.367289	1.670261	1.530740
Si	-0.384262	2.937064	-0.376959
Si	0.982681	1.471442	1.815768
Si	-2.270287	-0.404977	0.863292

**BSi<sub>7</sub><sup>+</sup> triplet**

8

SCF Done: -2051.14350305

B	-0.485583	-0.336232	-0.396039
Si	-1.976078	0.463106	0.693130
Si	0.738943	-2.051243	-0.174690
Si	0.509399	0.115383	1.292779
Si	-0.146480	-1.191855	-2.302016
Si	-1.280911	-0.115263	3.030626
Si	-1.131181	-1.897670	1.376074
Si	-2.078209	-1.657658	-0.852974

**CSi<sub>7</sub><sup>2+</sup>**

8

SCF Done: -2063.98839480

C	0.350679	-0.491053	0.061289
Si	1.984667	-0.603249	-0.844654
Si	-2.448345	0.984305	-1.486487
Si	-0.083181	0.454126	-1.908221
Si	-0.731077	1.154366	0.425339
Si	-0.468692	-0.969217	1.805198
Si	-1.428239	-1.184537	-0.543165
Si	-2.829587	0.010969	1.138323

8

SCF Done: -2063.98676882

C	0.133788	-0.402555	0.043511
Si	1.283529	-1.941703	2.929654
Si	-1.211991	-0.967758	1.609985
Si	-0.567471	1.487496	1.003287
Si	1.210587	0.094124	1.636207
Si	-1.062779	-2.123397	-0.726002
Si	-1.170459	0.336997	-1.127192
Si	0.900700	-2.161030	0.557451

**CSi<sub>7</sub><sup>2+</sup> triplet**

8

SCF Done: -2063.96434798

C	-1.199162	-0.514510	2.355730
Si	-1.480223	-1.828219	3.511716
Si	-0.143888	-0.467207	0.886753
Si	1.747512	1.013494	0.058533
Si	-0.433719	1.888347	-0.110427
Si	-1.797749	1.217584	2.150928
Si	-0.490982	0.045530	-1.577555
Si	1.377711	-1.275417	-0.717772

**BeSi<sub>8</sub>**

9

SCF Done: -2330.86139606

Be	-0.401994	-0.360378	-0.672894
Si	1.997407	-0.230768	-0.102973
Si	-1.918577	0.912453	0.547563
Si	0.252287	0.404295	1.315761
Si	-1.819352	-1.619228	0.916910
Si	-2.663693	-0.639008	-1.220465
Si	-1.124729	-2.407150	-1.449675
Si	0.817615	-2.168117	0.176749
Si	-0.823313	-3.792177	0.606942

9

SCF Done: -2330.85742002

Be	-0.962615	0.095848	0.968572
Si	-2.623514	-0.840807	2.239567
Si	0.267877	1.621311	1.994650
Si	-1.114846	3.639103	1.937575
Si	-0.949600	0.205289	-1.320288
Si	-2.125534	-1.529529	-0.055933
Si	-2.333048	1.540203	2.160988
Si	-1.318170	2.174917	0.000368
Si	-3.341051	0.693430	0.026075

9

SCF Done: -2330.85562080

Be	1.192291	1.072370	0.262525
Si	-0.891566	0.071895	0.125248
Si	-0.088221	1.249040	1.996879
Si	0.175361	1.303392	-1.834436
Si	-0.955216	-0.931762	-2.112364
Si	1.317691	-0.369488	-3.182915
Si	1.214404	-0.996157	-0.833675
Si	2.592691	0.941481	-1.492524
Si	-2.155594	0.356462	2.091376

9

SCF Done: -2330.85556918

Be	-0.720691	0.836527	-1.349727
Si	-1.021342	-1.145674	1.833445
Si	0.324360	-0.861695	-0.256810
Si	-2.364635	2.339307	-0.583311
Si	-2.224871	-0.522551	-0.225860
Si	1.230343	0.283368	1.793613
Si	1.248077	1.448479	-0.354312
Si	-2.877576	0.686141	-2.141704
Si	-0.821291	1.221809	0.984472

9

SCF Done: -2330.85532725

Be	-0.484615	-0.119005	0.404490
Si	-1.211403	0.375694	-1.832117
Si	-1.179105	2.165793	-0.128307
Si	0.740528	1.496447	1.222197
Si	0.370249	-0.656143	2.382658
Si	0.332020	1.470702	3.634748
Si	-1.540301	1.206257	2.186848
Si	-2.528713	-0.506374	-0.247637
Si	-2.020062	-1.226399	2.008309

9

SCF Done: -2330.85511281

Be	1.170819	0.345245	-0.605300
Si	0.987943	0.256434	1.549630
Si	1.325803	2.341635	0.214365

Si	1.017145	-1.651970	-1.424945
Si	-0.417186	1.580117	-1.405196
Si	-0.746894	-0.508028	-0.076224
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Si	1.342434	0.434443	-2.760254
Si	3.087012	1.196264	-1.139179

### BeSi<sub>8</sub> triplet

9

SCF Done: -2330.84580505

Be	-0.570749	0.663235	0.693004
Si	-2.628420	-0.394471	0.914355
Si	1.236298	-0.740487	0.872109
Si	1.516929	1.621643	0.347633
Si	-1.969093	0.765357	-1.123747
Si	-0.807864	-1.533314	-0.348321
Si	0.470135	0.299898	-1.487428
Si	-0.472144	2.619172	-0.540113
Si	-0.757214	-1.014168	2.276066

### BSi<sub>8</sub><sup>+</sup>

9

SCF Done: -2340.70933880

B	-0.459238	0.814914	0.491381
Si	-0.233902	2.896732	0.094772
Si	1.445125	-0.028996	0.943108
Si	0.848298	1.084080	-1.169781
Si	-2.363907	1.662067	0.043055
Si	-1.764926	0.549009	2.156470
Si	0.362348	1.783657	2.205431
Si	-0.681923	-1.266728	0.895963
Si	-1.279944	-0.152472	-1.220012

9

SCF Done: -2340.69081127

B	0.154464	-0.504013	-0.085397
Si	2.826827	-2.223138	-1.581350
Si	-0.994124	-2.561507	0.232730
Si	-1.706151	-0.204423	0.853651
Si	1.980472	0.054942	-0.904153
Si	1.495833	-2.191211	0.440507
Si	0.353495	-0.775138	2.027472
Si	0.428725	-1.933061	-1.759237
Si	-1.389242	-0.357239	-1.559248

9

SCF Done: -2340.68360431

B	1.785774	-0.741745	-1.258754
Si	3.724013	-0.125024	-1.307578
Si	3.121876	-1.751902	0.182530
Si	1.595842	-0.013645	1.006175
Si	0.054413	-1.332997	-0.299298
Si	2.074618	0.632539	-2.959383
Si	0.322975	-1.042071	-2.771186
Si	0.442686	1.041479	-1.103682
Si	-1.625204	-0.060976	-1.678521

9

SCF Done: -2340.68198496

B	0.605830	-0.630285	0.828409
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Si 0.356647 1.449882 1.216079  
Si -1.397471 -0.214670 0.112587  
Si -0.607604 -0.434375 2.565283  
Si 0.567253 -1.208318 -1.147695  
Si 2.351173 0.178291 0.264001  
Si -2.563918 -1.623491 1.723591  
Si -0.445699 -2.494138 0.805542  
Si 1.810633 -1.014988 2.460249

9

SCF Done: -2340.68157168

B -0.298301 0.775462 0.019837  
Si -0.232702 0.342607 -2.071417  
Si -0.875728 -1.419017 -0.312160  
Si 1.512479 -0.325276 -0.255059  
Si 1.281950 2.150113 -0.912253  
Si 0.837146 1.827375 1.484063  
Si -0.275779 -0.423086 1.824029  
Si -2.397980 0.509379 -0.230369  
Si -1.103231 2.611796 -0.800413

9

SCF Done: -2340.68154958

B -1.387724 -1.020586 1.937240  
Si 0.593155 -2.119780 -0.816678  
Si 0.142134 -2.524258 1.871231  
Si -1.604563 -2.218421 -0.023099  
Si 0.330449 -0.272467 0.592720  
Si 0.388309 -0.090576 2.904675  
Si -2.476902 -2.959980 1.994184  
Si -1.724105 0.980152 2.235097  
Si -3.398834 -0.697228 1.702785

### **BSi<sub>8</sub><sup>+</sup> triplet**

9

SCF Done: -2340.67068211

B 0.009838 1.286134 0.415300  
Si -0.251064 2.012779 -1.469558  
Si 1.930203 1.965795 -0.058836  
Si -1.257683 -0.488177 -0.263743  
Si -2.082542 1.849037 0.080947  
Si 1.049802 -0.239889 -1.005078  
Si 1.948327 1.516602 -2.472163  
Si -1.031035 0.488733 2.026783  
Si 1.432593 0.168038 1.497421

### **CSi<sub>8</sub><sup>2+</sup>**

9

SCF Done: -2353.53141822

C -2.901435 -0.934556 0.970480  
Si -2.197653 -0.413477 -0.613096  
Si -0.063958 -0.561636 -1.680432  
Si -0.340126 1.070128 0.147569  
Si -2.103903 1.431214 -1.984441  
Si 0.233211 2.000562 -1.830405  
Si -0.385002 0.580676 -3.771411  
Si -1.955449 0.160802 2.143344  
Si -4.163406 -2.112156 1.340094

9

SCF Done: -2353.52760340

C 2.342224 2.450098 0.242260  
Si 0.090019 -0.784442 -0.686721  
Si 0.937783 3.543670 0.662553  
Si -0.030304 1.103703 -2.629945  
Si -1.072296 1.712804 -0.345093  
Si -1.185434 -0.079186 1.235056  
Si 1.277461 1.230674 -0.595180  
Si 4.088767 2.533367 0.477171  
Si -1.980458 -0.012204 -1.820301

9

SCF Done: -2353.52591537

C -1.717535 1.706110 -0.845671  
Si 1.564860 1.866279 1.436988  
Si 2.603065 -0.315064 1.878306  
Si -3.232340 1.838122 0.065188  
Si 1.812738 -0.046694 -0.380952  
Si -1.431347 2.176568 -2.530502  
Si 0.195941 -0.340599 1.966765  
Si -0.227879 1.015492 0.095527  
Si 0.465580 -1.941385 0.203033

9

SCF Done: -2353.52438327

C 1.048054 -2.105385 0.299615  
Si 2.489094 1.139064 -1.886803  
Si 0.315395 2.785599 -1.134775  
Si -0.289150 -0.845868 0.361530  
Si 0.956119 1.304794 0.584422  
Si 1.299232 -3.779004 0.783922  
Si 0.207003 0.429502 -1.862369  
Si 2.035214 -0.719334 -0.395184  
Si -1.710296 0.911563 -0.519287

9

SCF Done: -2353.52392269

C 0.874586 -3.137698 0.907325  
Si 1.562314 -4.727490 0.598678  
Si -1.219982 2.138061 1.975909  
Si 1.822391 0.601154 0.590101  
Si -0.825380 -2.493671 0.699213  
Si 1.249098 1.874738 2.472601  
Si 1.604492 -1.591294 1.534379  
Si -0.406810 -0.003297 1.532703  
Si 1.150555 -0.246143 3.465792

9

SCF Done: -2353.51678490

C -1.194396 0.333235 0.562815  
Si -0.179557 1.649887 -0.760460  
Si -0.520422 2.036831 1.637737  
Si -1.870041 -1.369783 -0.512868  
Si 0.136760 -0.280379 2.101417  
Si 0.470430 -0.669082 -0.296918  
Si -2.520718 0.949582 -0.977208  
Si -2.202660 -0.986359 1.887105  
Si -2.860333 1.331327 1.422759

### CSi<sub>8</sub><sup>2+</sup> triplet

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SCF Done: -2353.51187533

C -0.551627 1.413557 0.454224  
Si -1.058149 -2.580205 0.201699

Si	1.242753	-2.091727	0.997439
Si	-0.460318	-1.682272	-2.035215
Si	-1.550308	2.342896	-0.676217
Si	1.873223	-1.306093	-1.273270
Si	-0.048309	-0.346779	-0.064162
Si	0.014899	1.997405	2.028038
Si	0.873666	-3.571339	-1.017362

**BeSi<sub>9</sub>**

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SCF Done: -2620.40348147

Be	-0.622895	1.054124	0.610497
Si	-0.096634	-1.172080	0.981016
Si	-2.399244	-0.333350	0.081868
Si	0.434935	2.878243	1.393749
Si	-0.259304	-0.060688	-1.388381
Si	-1.897383	0.406964	2.347711
Si	0.495912	0.772646	2.617700
Si	0.246392	2.470888	-1.000674
Si	-2.117277	1.903709	-0.840789
Si	1.636063	0.663442	0.271174

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SCF Done: -2620.40128072

Be	-0.250538	0.383262	0.321850
Si	-0.970675	-0.392343	-2.520005
Si	0.914354	0.767352	-3.398026
Si	0.036386	-2.503683	-1.619456
Si	0.377625	1.734528	-1.299206
Si	-2.036668	1.083543	-0.996667
Si	-1.633665	-1.255899	-0.193490
Si	1.747706	-0.675146	-1.697246
Si	0.851728	-1.513244	0.557801
Si	2.058548	0.660243	0.240526

**BeSi<sub>9</sub> triplet**

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SCF Done: -2620.37040772

Be	0.792799	-0.413309	-0.807831
Si	-1.118992	-0.152177	-2.062877
Si	-0.143163	-2.338644	-2.172349
Si	1.832934	-0.868006	-2.821301
Si	-0.543899	-1.907773	0.196306
Si	0.922483	1.291447	-2.319965
Si	1.872717	-2.241952	-0.209197
Si	1.432604	1.645344	0.022492
Si	-0.902371	0.554038	0.254612
Si	2.998296	-0.052270	-0.834620

**BSi<sub>9</sub><sup>+</sup>**

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SCF Done: -2630.22845883

B	0.362336	0.781628	0.040318
Si	-0.933470	-0.318955	1.610131
Si	0.022135	1.248292	-2.121050
Si	1.811132	-0.418318	-1.308194
Si	2.184260	1.853836	-0.550039
Si	-0.077055	1.935483	1.854793
Si	0.096353	3.057068	-0.287303
Si	1.335766	-0.928044	1.013573
Si	-1.798366	1.314118	-0.185883



Si -0.661083 -0.990926 -0.862356  
10  
SCF Done: -2630.22500986  
B 0.249520 -0.948998 0.176013  
Si -0.448557 -2.653292 -0.732847  
Si -1.943902 -0.489478 -0.678519  
Si -1.908515 1.568791 0.589944  
Si 0.720651 -2.071881 1.829945  
Si 0.039060 -0.627340 -2.016173  
Si 0.336819 1.136175 -0.337089  
Si -1.778411 -1.972018 1.334078  
Si -0.673893 0.141943 2.102292  
Si 1.645029 0.169961 1.500512

**BSi<sub>9</sub><sup>+</sup> triplet**

10  
SCF Done: -2630.20061561  
B -0.620319 0.608573 0.235290  
Si 1.393975 -0.288373 0.312860  
Si -0.665430 -0.394542 2.278875  
Si 0.657923 1.553758 1.713972  
Si -2.514236 0.985866 1.412366  
Si -0.271701 -2.062398 0.609257  
Si -1.937154 1.248651 -1.397557  
Si -0.026956 -0.295122 -1.647981  
Si -2.338406 -0.811938 -0.142920  
Si -1.148941 2.723434 0.395637

**CSi<sub>9</sub><sup>2+</sup>**

10  
SCF Done: -2643.07457409  
C -1.874316 -1.795571 -0.326140  
Si 0.210709 1.452188 0.599499  
Si -0.327439 3.373652 -1.030853  
Si 0.163984 1.095016 -2.126694  
Si -0.518271 -0.583143 -0.508006  
Si -1.790643 -3.537452 -0.097957  
Si -1.897316 1.545365 -0.763282  
Si 2.028749 2.135428 -0.908199  
Si 1.852585 -0.317872 -0.584543  
Si -3.390296 -0.754542 -0.440689

10  
SCF Done: -2643.05940218  
C -0.332006 1.761196 -0.718117  
Si -0.046162 0.188975 0.134797  
Si 0.240644 1.270871 -2.407703  
Si -0.855774 -2.033289 0.223928  
Si 1.711124 -1.222012 0.858985  
Si 0.616057 -3.216970 1.809582  
Si 0.847419 -1.214224 -1.678999  
Si 1.229705 -3.362494 -0.484330  
Si 1.723104 -3.108342 -2.785511  
Si -0.946027 3.337993 -0.248517

10  
SCF Done: -2643.02177847  
C 0.340513 0.776693 0.019638  
Si -0.980947 -0.352467 1.644504  
Si 0.040021 1.253272 -2.107605  
Si 1.841030 -0.454410 -1.356692  
Si 2.148245 1.820495 -0.497025

Si	-0.028278	1.899218	1.816460
Si	0.078072	3.119051	-0.306896
Si	1.331600	-0.856530	1.006992
Si	-1.783726	1.319032	-0.168962
Si	-0.644524	-0.990171	-0.846424

**CSi<sub>9</sub><sup>2+</sup> triplet**

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SCF Done: -2643.02983565

C	-1.974481	-1.311630	3.006749
Si	1.585346	1.463720	0.063198
Si	-0.401900	-1.163646	2.043357
Si	0.035751	1.319858	1.915697
Si	-0.114033	1.286513	-2.129152
Si	-0.279814	-0.068633	-0.257817
Si	-2.037272	0.430464	3.492976
Si	-1.110153	2.301941	0.086591
Si	-3.030306	-2.627137	3.511753
Si	0.679825	3.362870	-1.127665

**BeSi<sub>10</sub>**

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SCF Done: -2909.94622090

Be	-0.074146	-0.847716	0.340139
Si	0.448033	-2.371162	-1.213698
Si	0.357792	-0.375869	2.485629
Si	2.039175	-1.330653	0.897902
Si	-0.802153	0.161826	-1.519882
Si	-1.888656	-1.536907	2.048577
Si	0.789472	1.202241	0.592138
Si	0.116338	-2.902037	1.208993
Si	-1.651034	0.680089	0.776487
Si	-1.892498	-1.845982	-0.499649
Si	1.740317	-0.157908	-1.365459

11

SCF Done: -2909.93459701

Be	-0.554953	1.435134	-0.400615
Si	-0.616142	-1.428901	3.288955
Si	-1.030967	-1.883377	0.955946
Si	-0.108022	2.286950	1.582863
Si	-1.740610	0.384366	2.223078
Si	1.673363	1.229309	0.145118
Si	0.790063	-0.122329	1.872466
Si	-1.054786	0.227546	-2.264070
Si	0.336915	-0.789512	-0.672305
Si	-2.258319	-0.270146	-0.312384
Si	-2.467238	2.059207	0.720326

**BeSi<sub>10</sub> triplet**

11

SCF Done: -2909.92204260

Be	-0.024343	-0.527881	0.127197
Si	-2.267141	-1.135047	-0.109813
Si	-0.610631	-2.297016	1.298511
Si	0.818629	1.567740	0.468555
Si	1.444613	0.035428	-1.529601
Si	-0.964520	0.971651	-1.318469
Si	-1.569613	0.875150	1.202347
Si	2.201376	-0.588554	0.871272
Si	1.160188	-2.467315	-0.407940

Si	-0.590011	-1.522447	-1.923224
Si	0.269033	-0.291680	2.430445

**BSi<sub>10</sub><sup>+</sup>**

11

SCF Done: -2919.77151569

B	-0.913609	-0.362704	0.125791
Si	-0.589466	-0.086646	-2.001032
Si	1.650515	-0.008223	1.604811
Si	-0.238370	-1.764855	1.756389
Si	-1.158368	-2.441701	-0.442059
Si	-0.750564	0.853361	2.017012
Si	1.028723	-1.283416	-0.555645
Si	0.514719	1.331992	-0.294533
Si	-1.942253	1.538859	-0.044929
Si	-2.513504	-0.814260	1.518649
Si	-2.885083	-0.639094	-1.007803

11

SCF Done: -2919.76673124

B	0.851312	-0.286917	-0.446180
Si	-0.616659	-1.509984	1.249340
Si	0.935084	0.730559	1.274270
Si	-0.113995	-0.105180	-2.257671
Si	0.622698	-2.252457	-1.023181
Si	-0.720375	-2.317165	-3.038858
Si	-1.419225	0.827271	-0.094826
Si	1.779441	-1.668618	0.969290
Si	0.586078	1.803188	-1.026208
Si	-2.874087	-0.770266	0.938708
Si	-1.895979	-1.578543	-1.048556

**BSi<sub>10</sub><sup>+</sup> triplet**

11

SCF Done: -2919.73867175

B	-0.265064	0.296751	-0.235033
Si	-1.219402	2.414446	-0.765971
Si	-1.912285	-0.984377	-0.849703
Si	1.687181	-0.072832	0.839981
Si	-2.363004	0.826052	0.763722
Si	-0.649897	-0.743025	1.714555
Si	0.040467	1.735026	1.481256
Si	-0.804040	0.550500	-2.329036
Si	1.385816	-0.446788	-1.780843
Si	1.231277	1.864093	-0.807492
Si	0.239024	-2.030801	-0.248918

**CSi<sub>10</sub><sup>2+</sup>**

11

SCF Done: -2932.60038476

C	3.507394	-0.517092	0.554543
Si	0.134007	-0.647629	0.933555
Si	5.254453	-0.402099	0.435159
Si	-1.931933	0.937110	-2.136201
Si	-1.162193	1.315144	0.249494
Si	-3.428679	0.449350	-0.069151
Si	-2.097694	-0.570567	1.838270
Si	2.480507	0.294363	1.784007
Si	-1.676316	-1.166445	-0.672788
Si	0.285944	0.131439	-1.470029
Si	2.141756	-1.490187	-0.267699

11

SCF Done: -2932.59931123

C	-0.753174	-0.328511	1.007556
Si	2.344185	1.644771	1.279037
Si	-1.120831	0.847633	-0.960286
Si	-0.098487	-1.511138	-0.340532
Si	-0.039867	1.878500	1.131671
Si	2.040398	0.015816	-0.602217
Si	0.990992	-0.471849	1.770844
Si	0.401818	-0.207204	-2.486981
Si	-2.253958	0.749475	1.252385
Si	2.084147	-2.185023	0.456897
Si	1.041622	2.209619	-1.168424

11

SCF Done: -2932.56980495

C	-0.984189	-0.373109	0.085526
Si	-0.597691	-0.088974	-1.989269
Si	1.711719	0.000470	1.638971
Si	-0.225903	-1.753078	1.755671
Si	-1.162835	-2.428455	-0.441197
Si	-0.734481	0.847563	2.014903
Si	1.033142	-1.275283	-0.541216
Si	0.522623	1.323942	-0.282164
Si	-1.941058	1.524453	-0.046829
Si	-2.508775	-0.811686	1.505272
Si	-2.909811	-0.642530	-1.023018

### **CSi<sub>10</sub><sup>2+</sup> triplet**

11

SCF Done: -2932.56812218

C	1.572433	2.269945	-0.320138
Si	0.783296	2.697798	1.471582
Si	-0.656793	-0.911150	-0.392577
Si	-1.524009	2.633556	0.804379
Si	1.347405	-1.058411	0.868482
Si	-0.161184	1.439321	-0.781320
Si	2.612876	0.948139	0.655923
Si	2.377090	3.497238	-1.320586
Si	2.595588	1.901969	2.863093
Si	1.054286	0.034764	2.943065
Si	-0.949652	0.419272	1.575705

### **Si<sub>6</sub> GM**

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SCF Done: -1737.06650869

Si	-0.765755	1.682022	1.474371
Si	0.645012	-0.260519	1.112312
Si	0.876565	2.057515	-0.273796
Si	-0.539929	0.259450	-0.867211
Si	1.644540	1.762419	2.010853
Si	2.543898	0.379195	-0.150532

### **Si<sub>6</sub><sup>2-</sup> GM**

6

SCF Done: -1737.08330801

Si	1.002978	-1.215700	-0.085901
Si	0.624202	0.262795	-2.056590
Si	0.455988	2.236109	-0.543241
Si	2.467389	0.767074	-0.456432
Si	0.834872	0.757472	1.427199

Si -1.008423 0.253390 -0.173240

**Si<sub>6</sub><sup>2-</sup> open structure**

6

SCF Done: -1737.06699697

Si 1.792688 1.452691 0.560564  
Si 0.532491 3.415928 -0.003161  
Si 0.018235 -0.128385 1.725089  
Si -0.791546 1.352943 -0.002186  
Si 0.204879 2.472373 2.179091  
Si 1.893160 0.926625 2.900187

**Si<sub>6</sub><sup>2-</sup> D<sub>3d</sub> ring**

6

SCF Done: -1737.01240572

Si -0.876362 1.039108 0.746032  
Si -1.494311 -2.529092 0.604402  
Si -2.237219 1.348322 -1.081886  
Si -1.851427 -0.508456 -2.382871  
Si -2.855574 -2.222232 -1.223611  
Si -1.879856 -0.673649 1.907364

**Si<sub>7</sub> GM**

7

SCF Done: -2026.60167543

Si 0.230366 -0.469492 0.373752  
Si -0.099693 0.946499 2.396634  
Si -0.229496 1.964017 0.107010  
Si 1.480143 0.834834 -1.341329  
Si 1.689615 -0.811714 2.363538  
Si 1.972274 1.290454 1.057190  
Si 2.666076 -0.880829 0.053307

**Si<sub>7</sub><sup>2-</sup> GM**

7

SCF Done: -2026.60575600

Si -1.523324 -0.532495 0.284615  
Si 1.241025 -1.370473 -2.310958  
Si -0.130140 -2.251815 1.213898  
Si -0.676016 0.011913 -1.893760  
Si 1.080126 -0.223403 0.052493  
Si 1.578159 -2.769846 -0.390358  
Si -0.884324 -2.541429 -1.291034

**Si<sub>7</sub><sup>2-</sup> open structure**

7

SCF Done: -2026.57397550

Si 0.438140 0.303867 -0.985103  
Si -1.415131 1.616822 -0.002349  
Si 1.759886 -0.448701 0.962399  
Si 0.707185 1.762554 0.995775  
Si 0.140331 -1.985255 -0.015985  
Si -1.806158 -0.694046 -0.713153  
Si 0.479780 2.607069 -1.407466

**Si<sub>8</sub> GM**

8

SCF Done: -2316.09454434

Si -0.418259 -2.939313 -0.143953  
Si -1.144739 -0.866919 -1.303483

Si	1.638361	-2.306578	0.963937
Si	1.442310	-0.017707	2.017851
Si	-0.614394	-0.650461	0.910063
Si	-0.248385	-2.296804	2.646164
Si	1.272379	-0.660266	-0.772169
Si	2.168762	-2.090101	3.177449

### **Si<sub>8</sub><sup>2-</sup> GM**

8

SCF Done: -2316.15315994

Si	0.434826	-1.643458	-0.814367
Si	0.628742	0.601715	-1.708370
Si	-0.113997	2.095247	0.050779
Si	0.435271	-0.057983	1.019678
Si	2.695281	-0.842346	-0.460495
Si	2.297186	1.871293	0.167501
Si	3.001059	1.014778	-1.988663
Si	2.734388	0.105699	1.770497

### **Si<sub>8</sub><sup>2-</sup> O<sub>h</sub> cubic cage**

8

SCF Done: -2316.11836965

Si	-0.240721	2.841858	0.104840
Si	1.395135	-0.007235	0.930925
Si	0.813985	1.076611	-1.125718
Si	-2.313706	1.639868	0.055084
Si	-1.730729	0.556060	2.111417
Si	0.341296	1.758658	2.161109
Si	-0.676213	-1.211596	0.884070
Si	-1.257877	-0.126875	-1.172720

### **Si<sub>9</sub> GM**

9

SCF Done: -2605.62989214

Si	-0.761539	-0.312153	-1.333548
Si	-0.130745	3.533524	-1.192358
Si	0.600100	1.500802	-2.326411
Si	1.393918	-0.030399	0.112982
Si	-0.699467	1.700611	0.220977
Si	1.714103	2.668403	0.043004
Si	0.933308	1.454791	1.938178
Si	1.530577	-0.780602	-2.122780
Si	2.946061	1.173985	-1.606059

### **Si<sub>9</sub><sup>2-</sup> GM**

9

SCF Done: -2605.68500237

Si	-0.031975	0.189541	1.565696
Si	-1.127316	-1.807580	2.944803
Si	-0.972794	-1.949927	0.291367
Si	-1.469287	0.569924	3.545591
Si	-1.229290	0.347251	-0.596076
Si	-2.368254	1.335172	1.368460
Si	-3.309905	-0.804350	0.093956
Si	-2.938444	-2.768045	1.556140
Si	-3.464081	-0.661334	2.747211

### **Si<sub>10</sub> GM**

10

SCF Done: -2895.17393335

Si	-1.357914	-0.498061	0.837318
Si	0.681105	-2.007283	1.204828
Si	1.936039	1.138266	-1.780355
Si	0.013941	1.215031	-0.416606
Si	0.615711	-0.759731	-2.246514
Si	1.693282	-2.610272	-1.015714
Si	0.768977	0.432316	1.800226
Si	-1.684472	-0.109497	-1.624810
Si	-0.799633	-2.333665	-0.861398
Si	2.208410	-0.409263	-0.021942

**Si<sub>10</sub> D<sub>4d</sub>**

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SCF Done: -2895.14261999

Si	-1.124416	-0.913938	-1.429515
Si	1.814570	0.088579	1.379458
Si	2.544843	-0.724334	-0.744054
Si	0.551027	2.068984	0.737500
Si	2.183802	1.620082	-1.013406
Si	0.997560	-0.490864	-2.547340
Si	0.628838	-2.021050	-0.152074
Si	-1.426961	1.103415	-0.187937
Si	-0.024893	1.659964	-2.038458
Si	-0.548293	-0.503060	1.345531

**Si<sub>10</sub><sup>2-</sup> GM**

10

SCF Done: -2895.23465641

Si	-0.617458	-0.103660	-1.871073
Si	1.544162	-0.023244	1.541947
Si	-0.223288	-1.772961	1.774450
Si	-1.151280	-2.312081	-0.409638
Si	-0.740030	0.864315	2.037587
Si	1.052606	-1.290030	-0.555974
Si	0.535054	1.346462	-0.291556
Si	-1.885088	1.417291	-0.038447
Si	-2.420875	-0.786829	1.425622
Si	-2.906875	-0.642840	-1.021793