

Supporting Information for:

**The strongest dative bond in main-group compounds.
Theoretical study of OAeF⁻ (Ae = Be – Ba)**

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Table S1

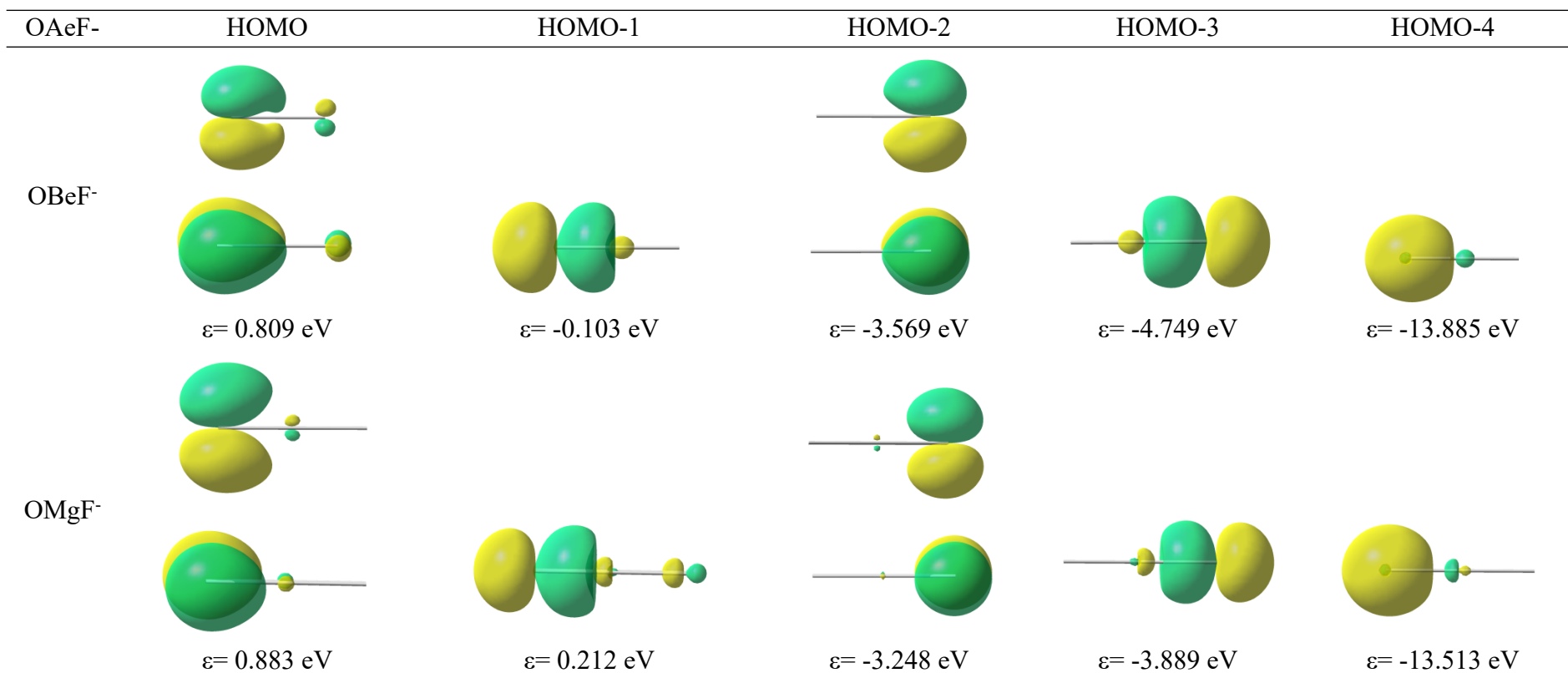
Figures S1 and S2

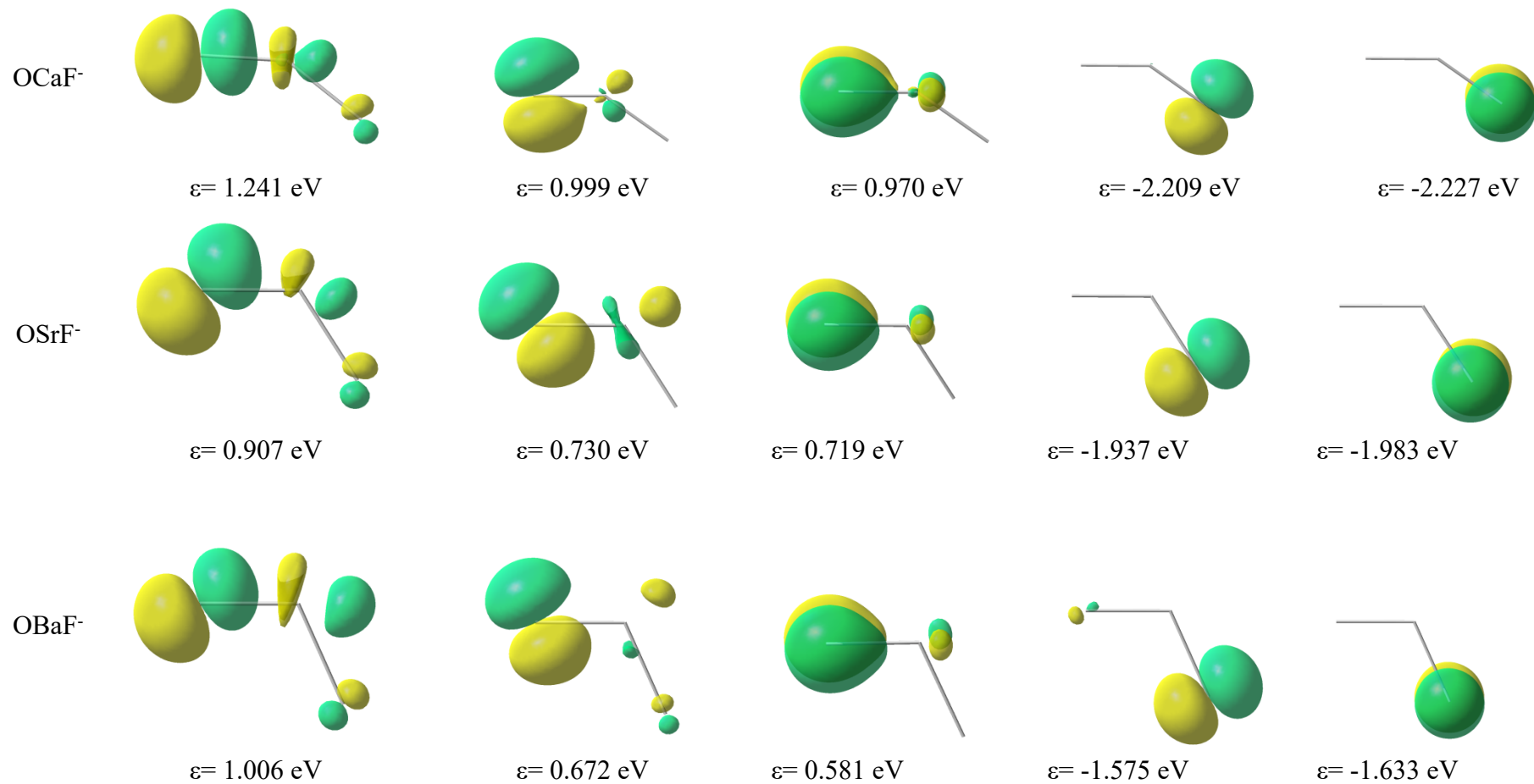
Table S1: EDA-NOCV results of OAeF⁻ using OAe⁻ (D) and F (D) in the electronic doublet states as interacting fragments. All molecules are calculated at the equilibrium geometries except for the linear structure of OBaF⁻. The calculations were carried out at the BP86/DZP level using BP86/def2-TZVPP optimized geometries. Energy values are given in kcal mol⁻¹.

Fragments	OBe ⁻ (D) + F(D)	OMg ⁻ (D) + F(D)	OCa ⁻ (D) + F(D)	OSr ⁻ (D) + F(D)	OBa ⁻ (D) + F(D)	OBa ⁻ (D) + F(D)
Structure	linear	linear	bent	bent	bent	linear
ΔE_{int}	-157.9	-138.9	-124.6	-120.5	-121.1	-113.5
ΔE_{Pauli}	200.6	128.5	85.3	55.8	54.1	49.2
$\Delta E_{\text{elstat}}^{\text{[a]}}$	-94.0 (26.2%)	-69.2 (25.9 %)	-49.9 (23.8%)	-28.8 (16.3 %)	-28.5 (16.3%)	-26.9 (16.5 %)
$\Delta E_{\text{orb}}^{\text{[a]}}$	-264.5 (73.8%)	-198.2 (74.1 %)	-160.0 (76.2%)	-147.4 (83.7 %)	-146.7 (83.7%)	-135.7 (83.5 %)

^aThe values in parentheses give the percentage contribution to the total attractive interactions $\Delta E_{\text{elstat}} + \Delta E_{\text{orb}}$

Fig.S1: The five energetically highest-lying occupied MOs of OAeF⁻ (Ae = Be-Ba) at the BP86/def2-TZVPP level of theory. (Isovalue 0.05e/au³).





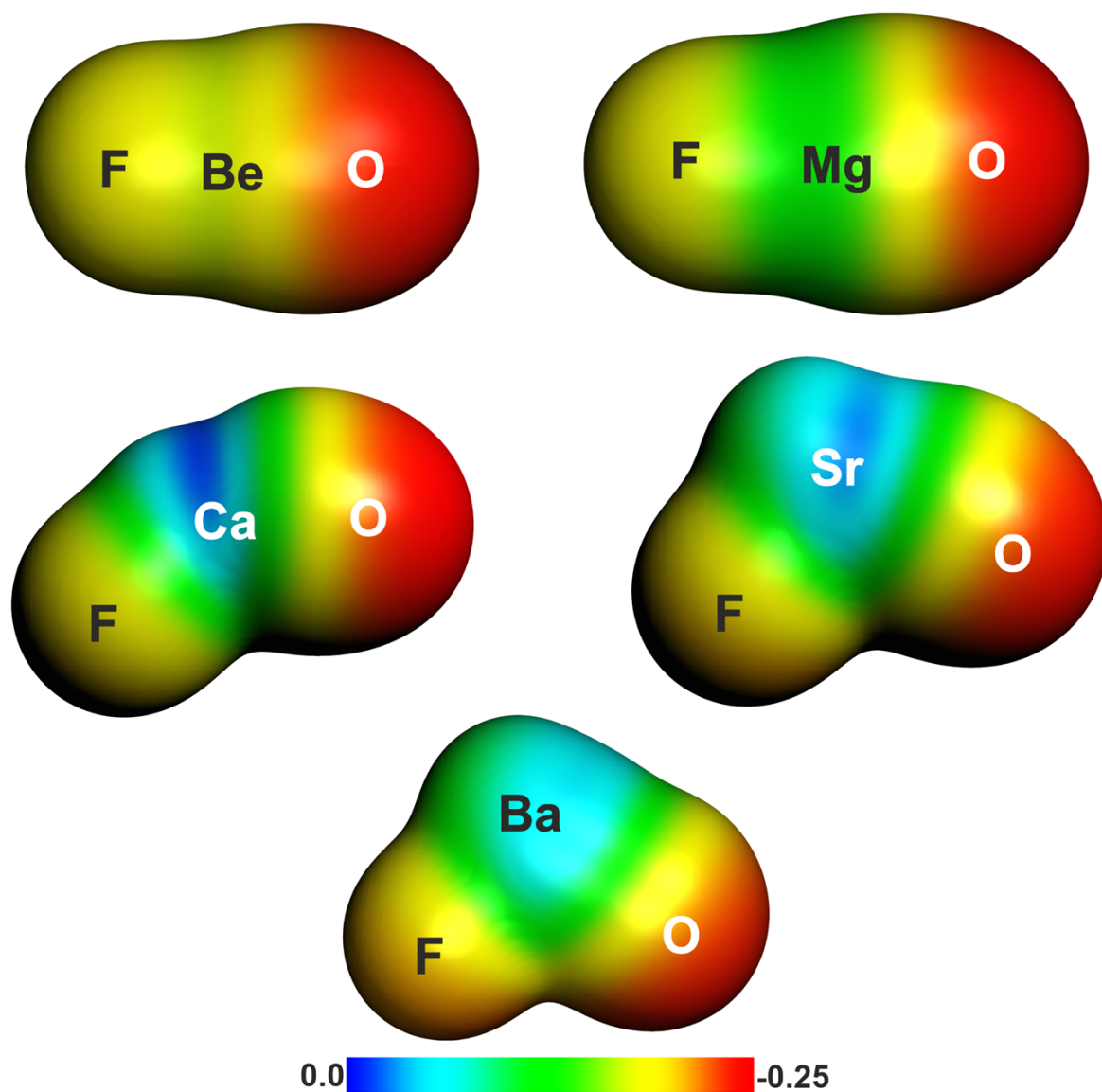


Fig.S2: Plot of molecular electrostatic potentials of OAEF⁻ systems at the BP86/TZP level of theory, computed with value of 0.001 au for the contour of the electronic density.