

Supplementary information for

Atomistic insights into the nucleation and growth of hexagonal boron nitride and graphene heterostructures

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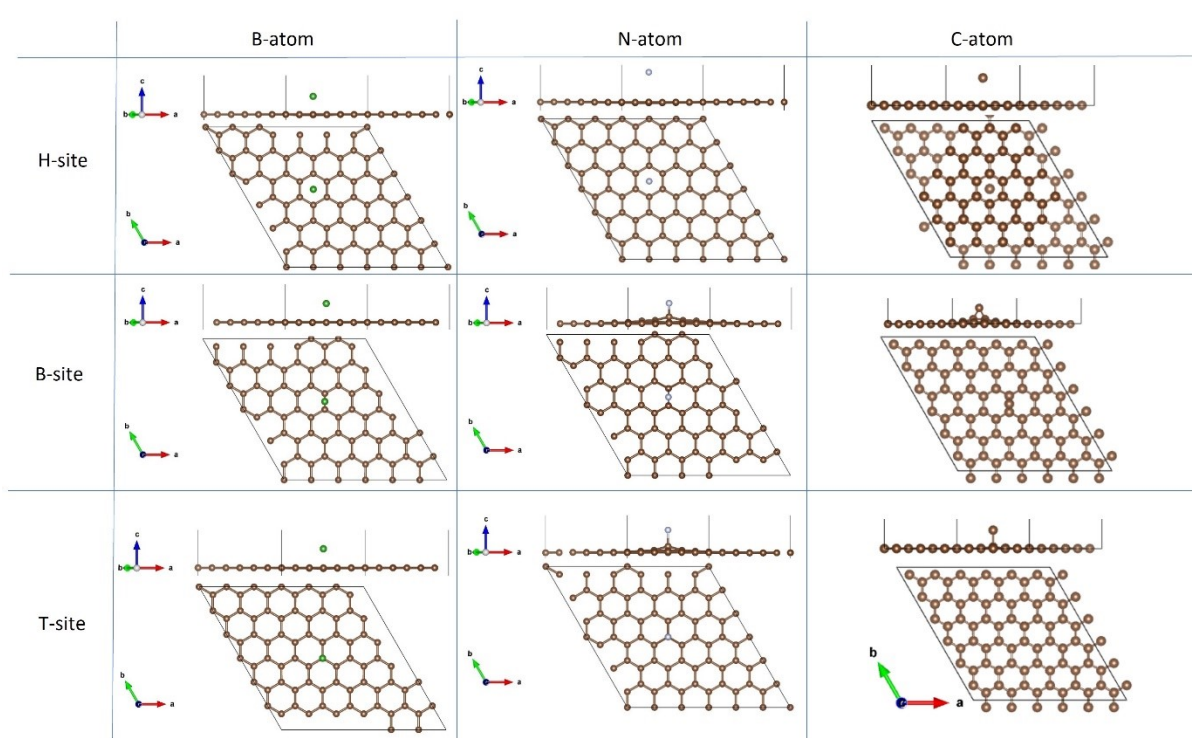


Fig. S1. The relaxed structures for adsorbed atoms B, N and C on hBN in different positions.

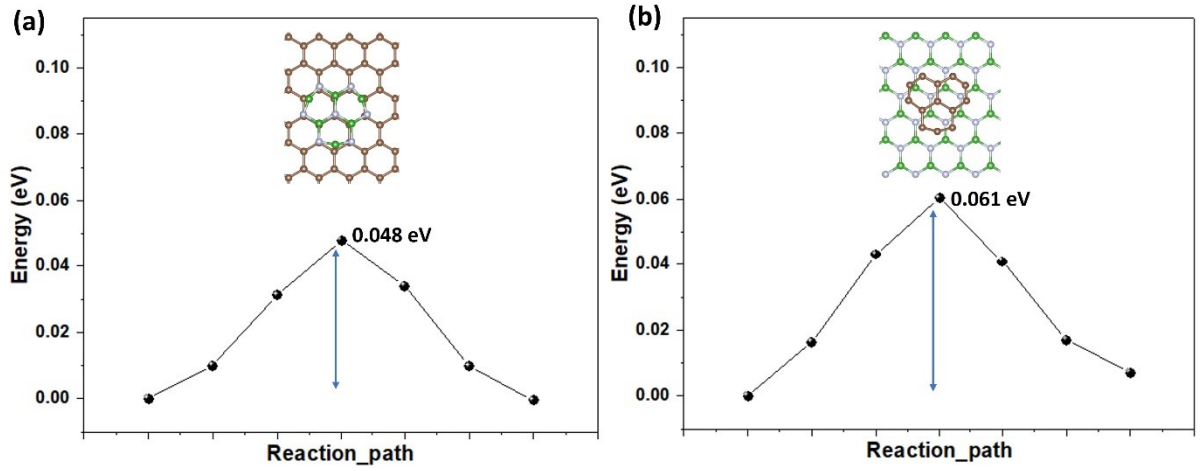


Fig. S4 Energy barriers for (a) BN clusters on graphene and (b) Carbon clusters on hBN.

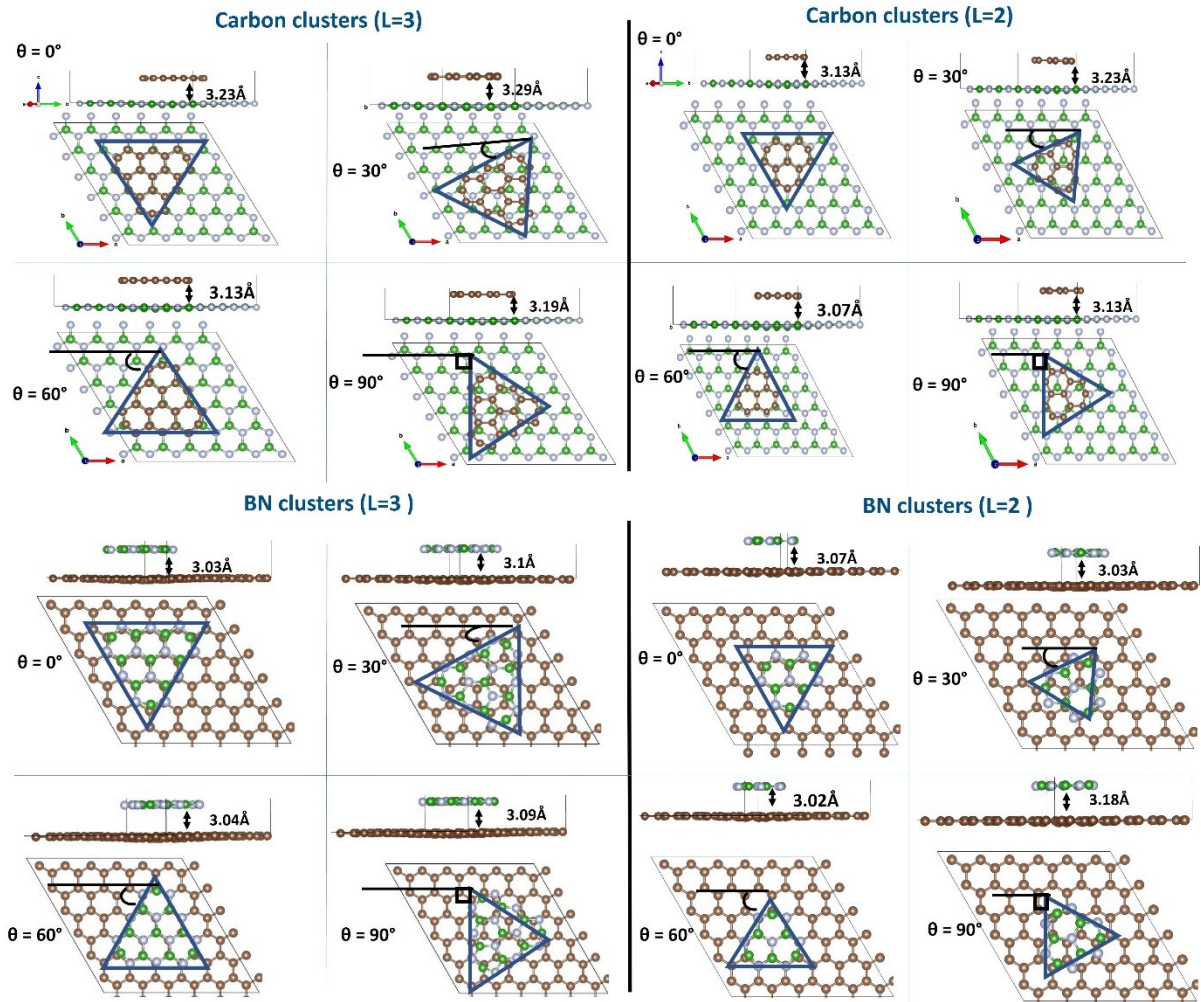


Fig. S5 the relaxed structures of carbon and hBN clusters on graphene and hBN surfaces.