

Supporting Information

Water Gas Shift Reaction Mechanism and Activity on Single Atom Alloy Al₁/Cu (111) Surface

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Table S1. H₂O adsorption and dissociation data on M₁/Cu (111) (M = Ga, Al, Be and Cu) surfaces.

	Cu (111)	Ga ₁ /Cu (111)	Al ₁ /Cu (111)	Be ₁ /Cu (111)
$E_{\text{ads-H}_2\text{O}}$ (eV)	-0.43	-0.29	-0.58	-0.63
$d_{\text{HO-H-IS}}$ (Å)	0.98	0.98	1.01	0.99
$\theta_{(\text{H-O-H})}$ (°)	104.86	104.64	116.57	107.28
$d_{\text{HO-H-TS}}$ (Å)	1.48	1.53	1.40	1.38
ΔE_a (eV)	1.13	1.07	0.67	0.51
Freq (cm ⁻¹)	1263.29i	1044.65i	1177.69i	1206.93i

Table S2. The reaction mechanism and the RDS and reaction energy barrier for WGS on representative catalysts.

System	Mechanism	RDS	Activation energy	Ref.
Ir ₁ /FeOx	redox	H* + H* → H ₂ *	3.45	1
Ir ₁ /FeOx	redox	CO* + O* → CO ₂ *	1.52	1
Cu/α-MoC	carboxyl	H ₂ O* → H* + OH*	0.96	2
CuB	carboxyl	H ₂ O* → H* + OH*	1.16	3
Pt ₁ /FeOx	carboxyl	H migration from O to Pt	1.29	4
Cu (211)	carboxyl	H ₂ O* → H* + OH*	0.94	5
Pt (111)	carboxyl	H ₂ O* → H* + OH*	0.88	6
Au (100)	carboxyl	H ₂ O* → H* + OH*	1.53	7
Cu ₂₉	carboxyl	H ₂ O* → H* + OH*	0.93	7
Au ₂₉	carboxyl	H ₂ O* → H* + OH*	1.29	7
Pt/TiO ₂	redox	CO ₂ * → CO ₂ (g)	0.91	8
Pt ₁ @Ti ₃ C ₂ S ₂	redox	OH* → H* + O*	1.12	9
aNi@TiO _{2-x}	redox	H ₂ O* → H* + OH*	0.35	10
K/Cu (111)	carboxyl	H ₂ O* → H* + OH*	1.08	11
K/Cu (100)	carboxyl	H ₂ O* → H* + OH*	1.06	11

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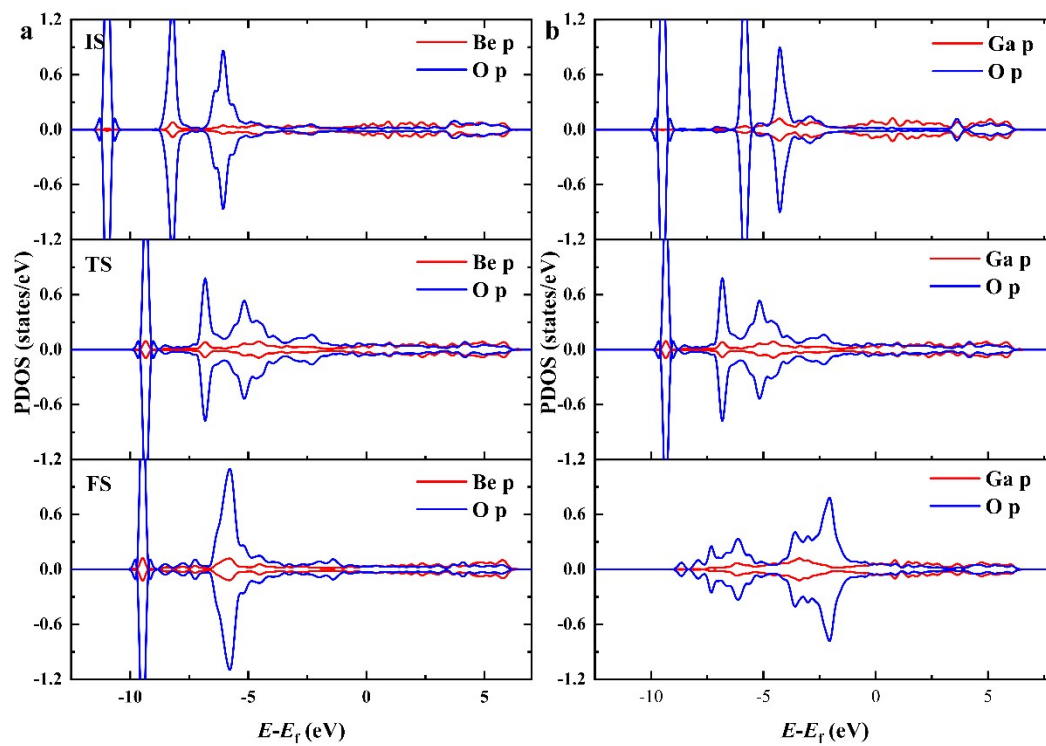


Figure S1. The PDOS plots for H₂O adsorption states (IS), dissociation transition states (TS) and final states (FS) on the M₁/Cu (111) (M = Be and Ga).

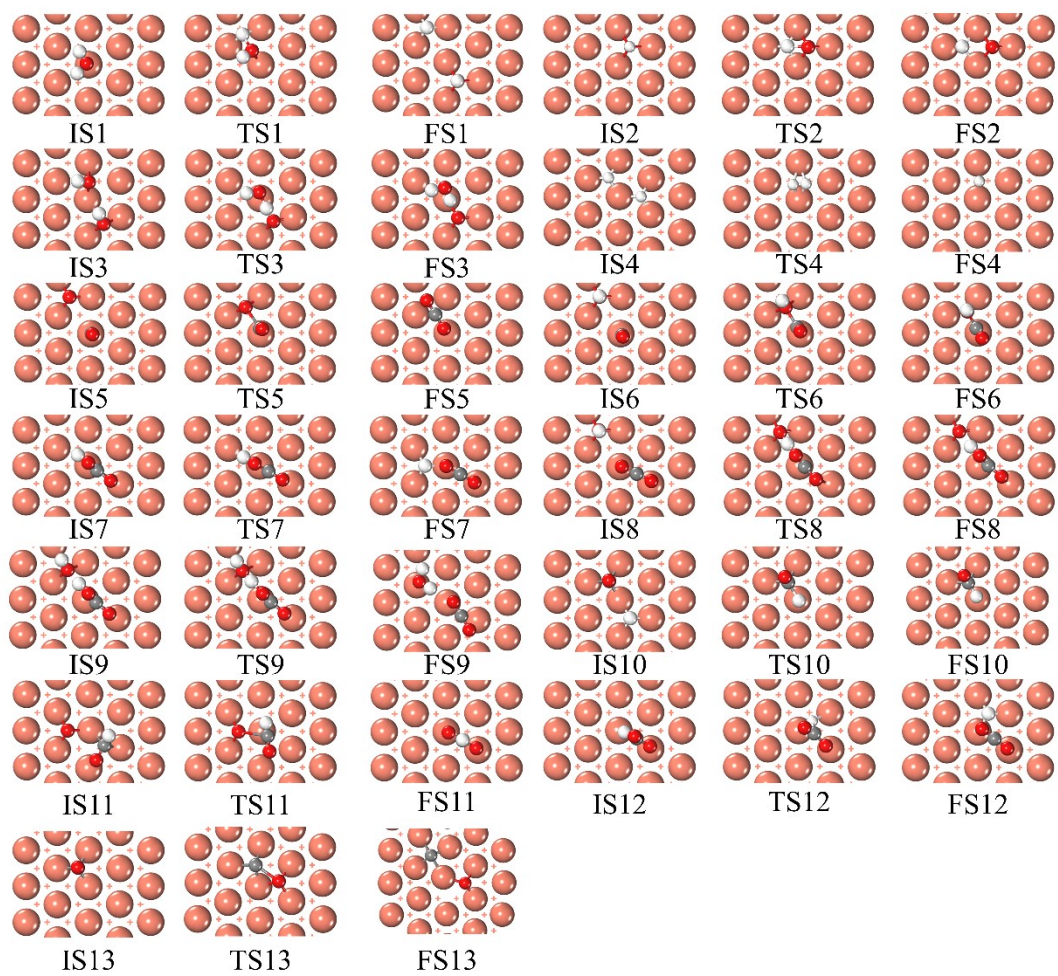


Figure S2. Initial state (IS), transition state (TS), final states (FS) of the reaction of each radical of WGS on Cu (111).

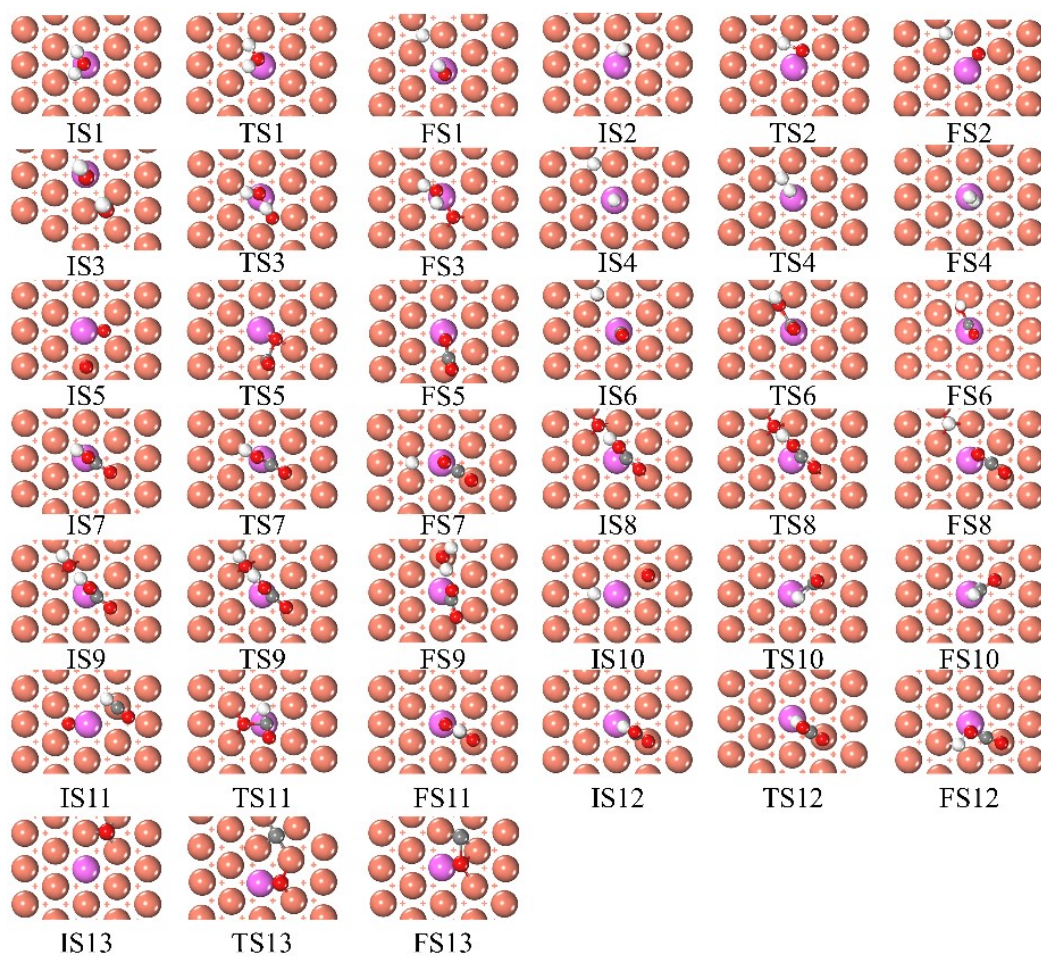


Figure S3. Initial state (IS), transition state (TS), final states (FS) of the reaction of each radical of WGSR on $\text{Al}_1/\text{Cu}(111)$.

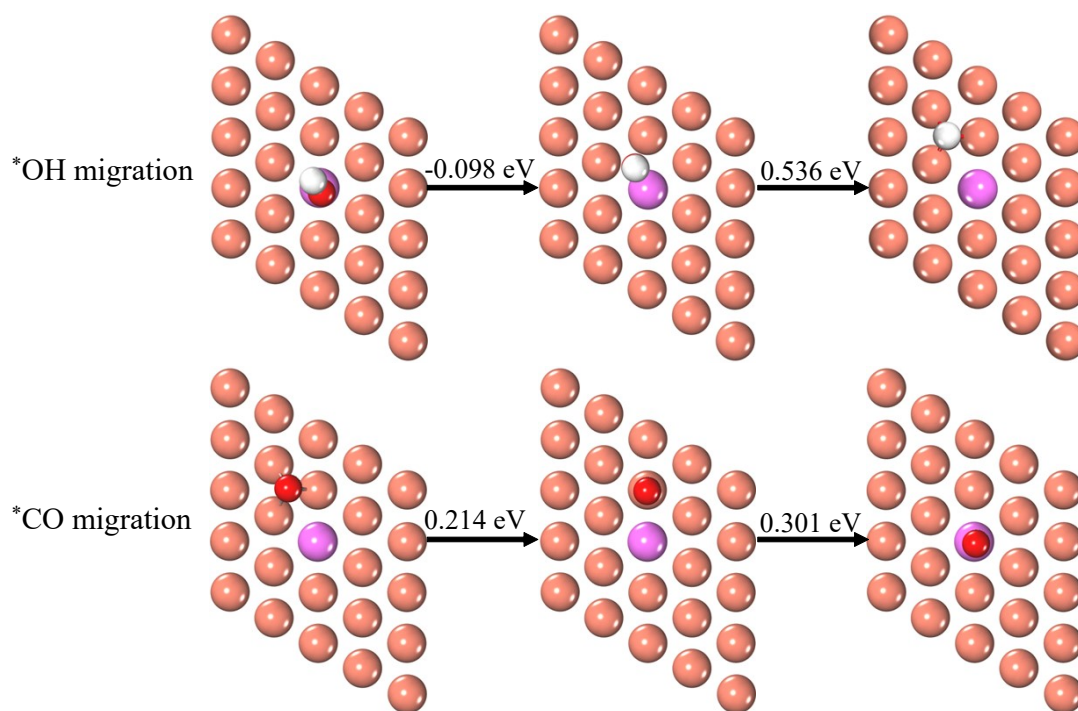


Figure S4. OH migration from the Al top site to the hollow site and CO migration from the Cu hollow site to the Al top site.

