

Fig S1: DFT simulated electronic bandstructure and density of states of ACeO₃ (A = Ba²⁺, Sr²⁺, Ca²⁺, Mg²⁺) proton conductors, (a-d) electronic bandstructure, (e-h) density of states (DOS)

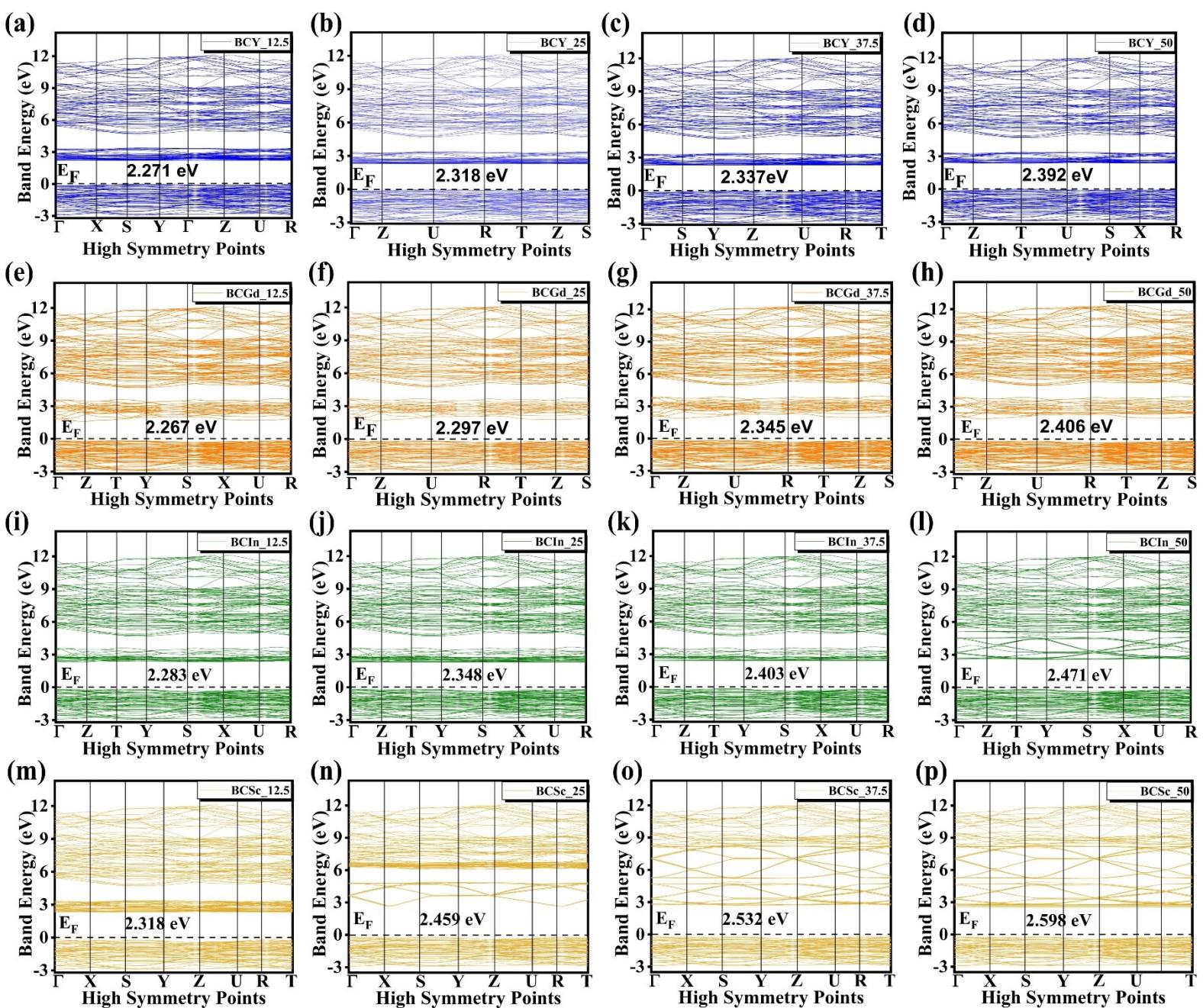


Fig S2: DFT simulated electronic bandstructure of acceptor ($M^{3+} = Y^{3+}, Gd^{3+}, Sc^{3+}, In^{3+}$)

doped $BaCe_{1-x}M_xO_{3-\delta}$ proton conductors at distinct doping concentration ($x = 0.125, 0.25, 0.375, 0.50$)

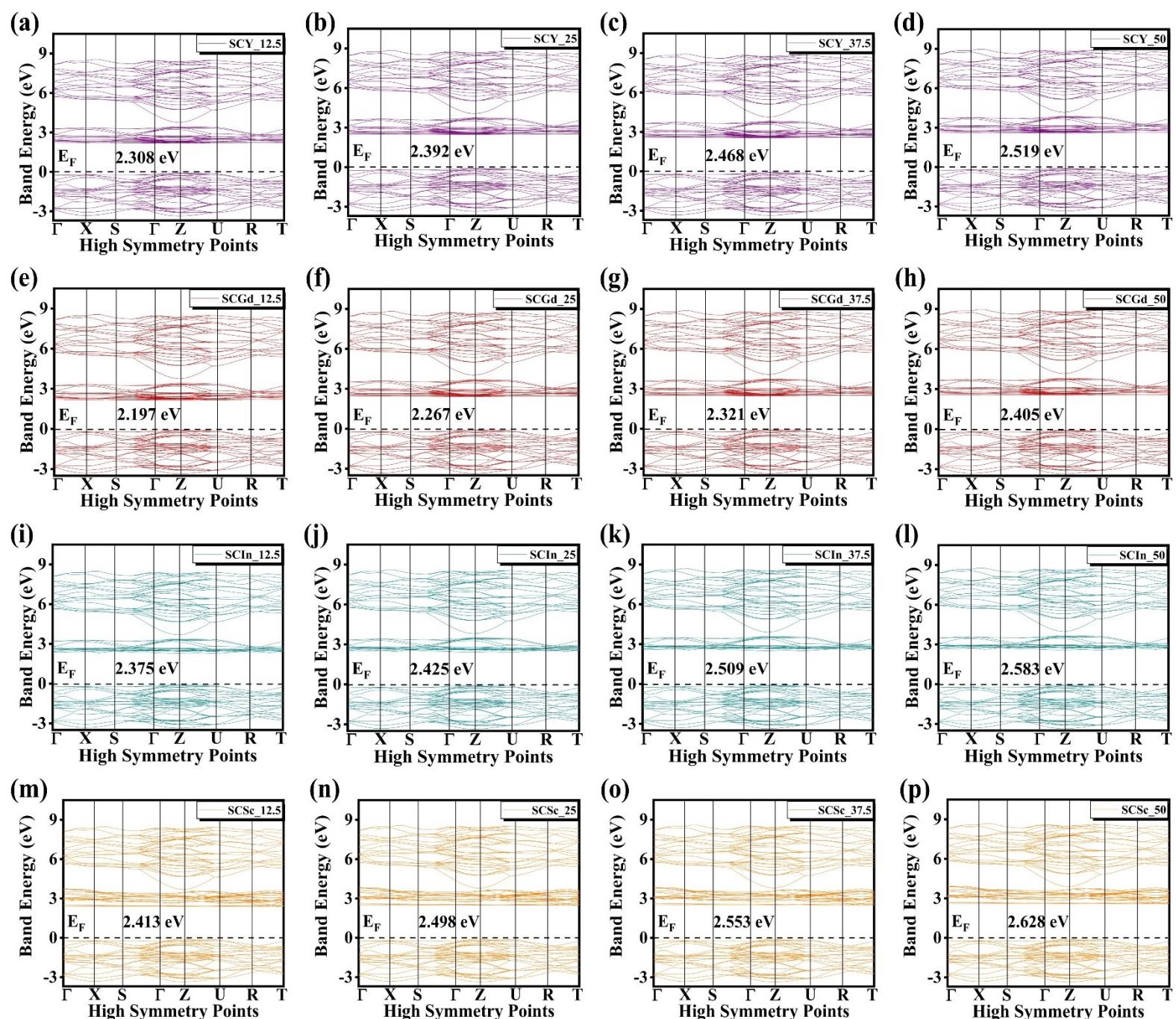


Fig S3: DFT simulated electronic bandstructure of acceptor ($M^{3+} = Y^{3+}, Gd^{3+}, Sc^{3+}, In^{3+}$)

doped $SrCe_{1-x}M_xO_{3-\delta}$ proton conductors at distinct doping concentration ($x = 0.125, 0.25, 0.375, 0.50$)

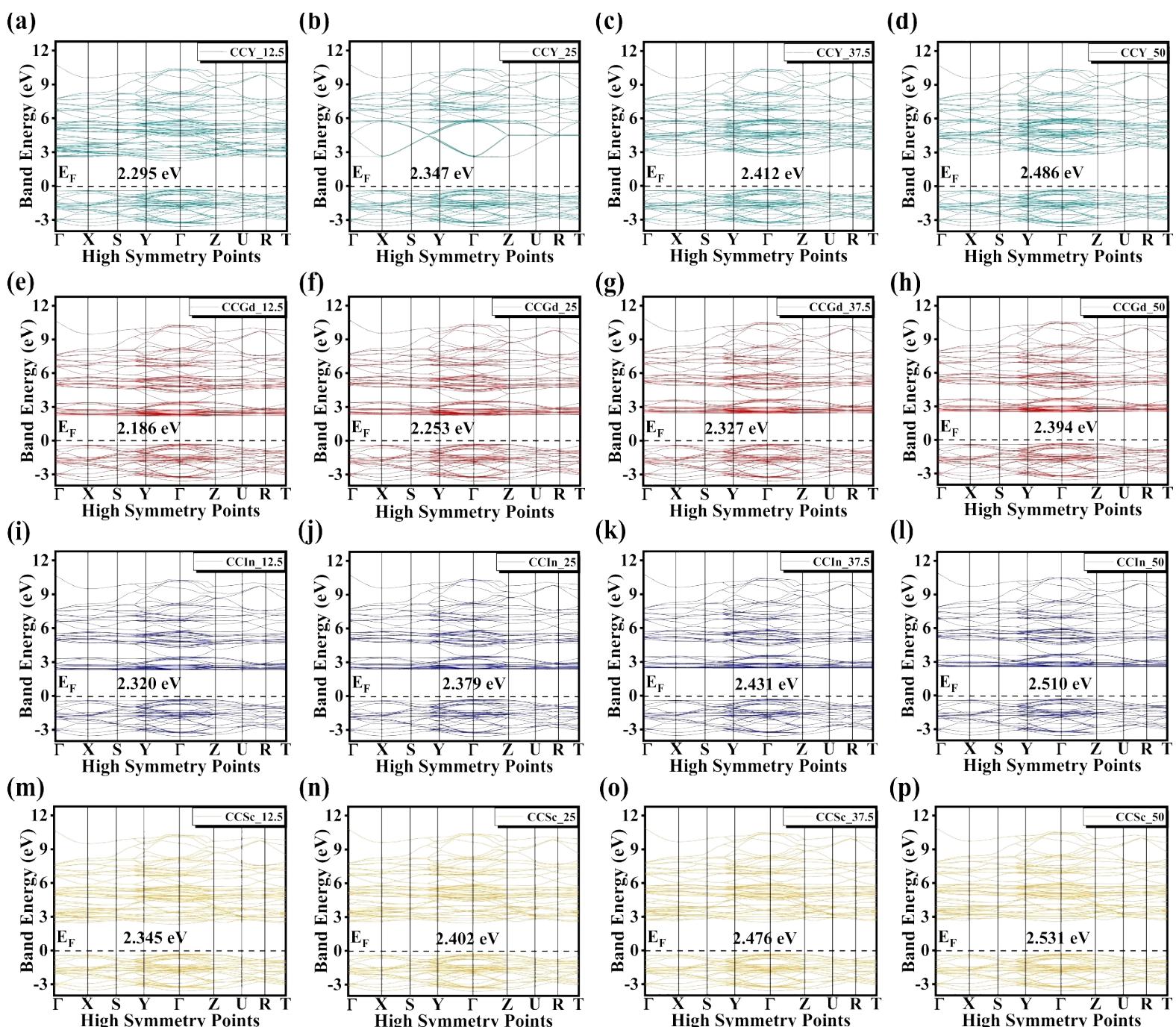


Fig S4: DFT simulated electronic bandstructure of acceptor ($M^{3+} = Y^{3+}, Gd^{3+}, Sc^{3+}, In^{3+}$) doped $CaCe_{1-x}M_xO_{3-\delta}$ proton conductors at distinct doping concentration ($x = 0.125, 0.25, 0.375, 0.50$)

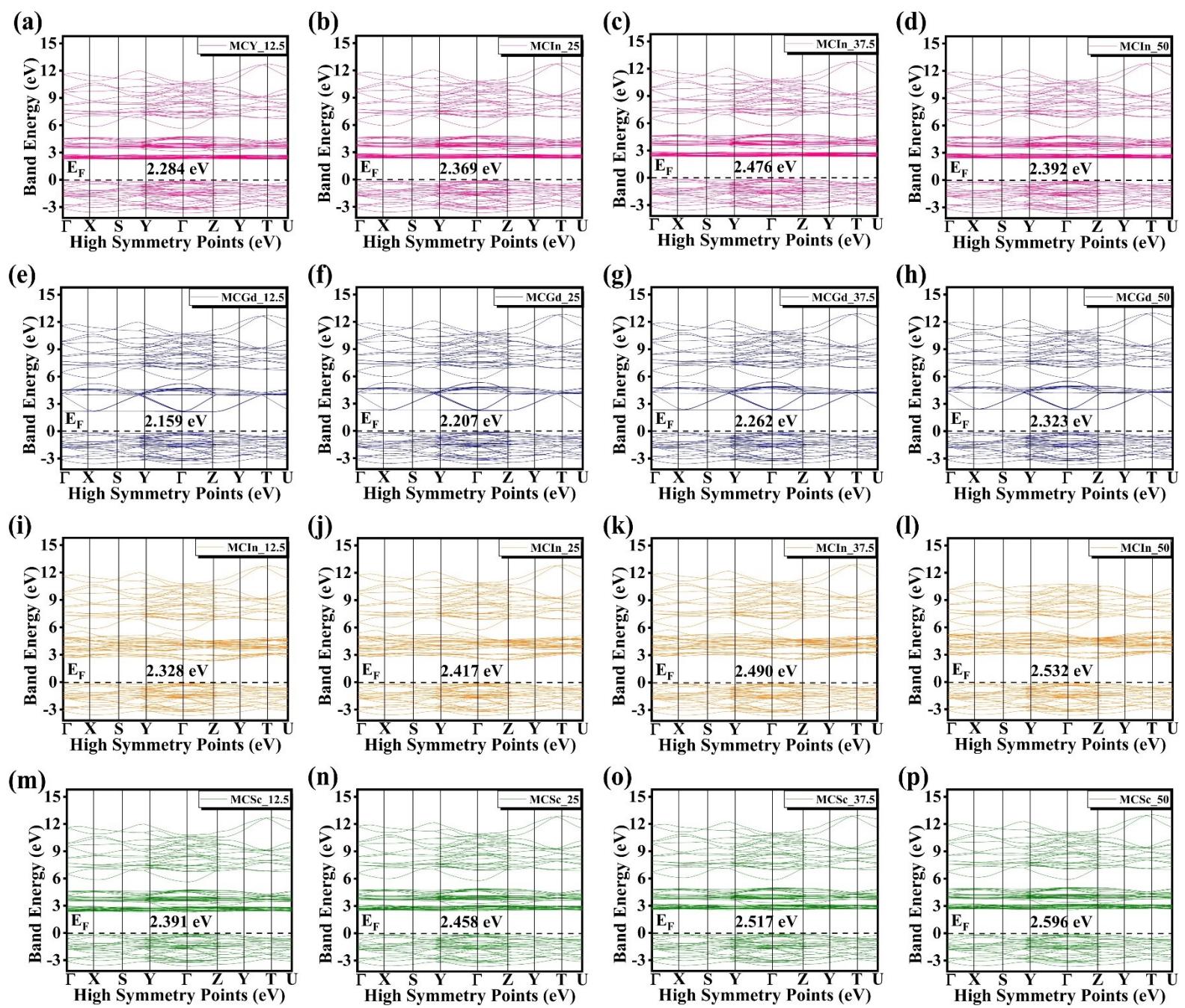


Fig S5: DFT simulated electronic bandstructure of acceptor ($M^{3+} = Y^{3+}, Gd^{3+}, Sc^{3+}, In^{3+}$)

doped $MgCe_{1-x}M_xO_{3-\delta}$ proton conductors at distinct doping concentration ($x = 0.125, 0.25, 0.375, 0.50$)

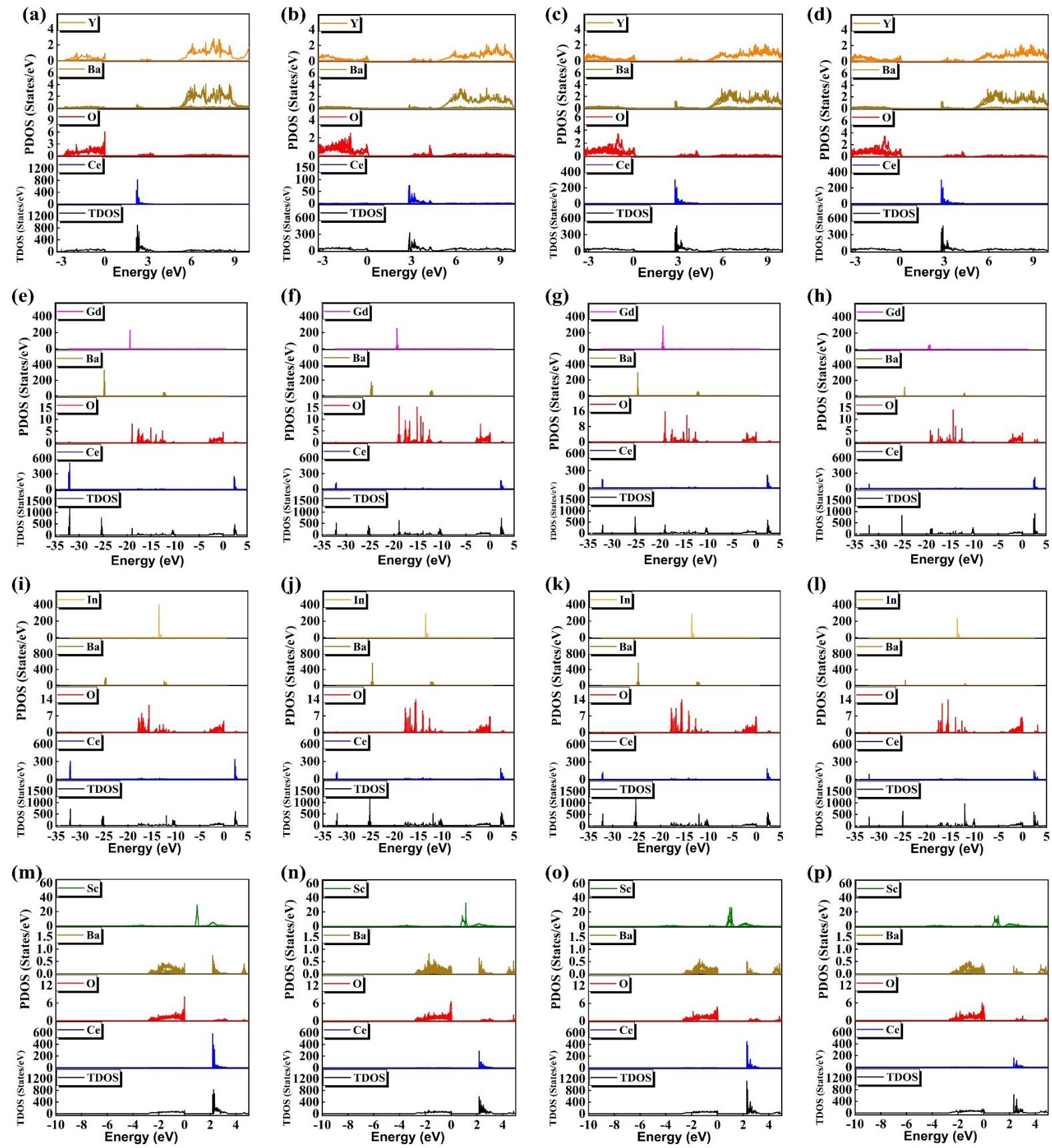


Fig S6: DFT simulated density of states of $\text{BaCe}_{1-x}\text{M}_x\text{O}_{3-\delta}$ ($\text{M} = \text{Y}^{3+}, \text{Gd}^{3+}, \text{In}^{3+}, \text{Sc}^{3+}$) corresponding to distinct doping concentration ($x = 0.125, 0.25, 0.375, 0.5$)

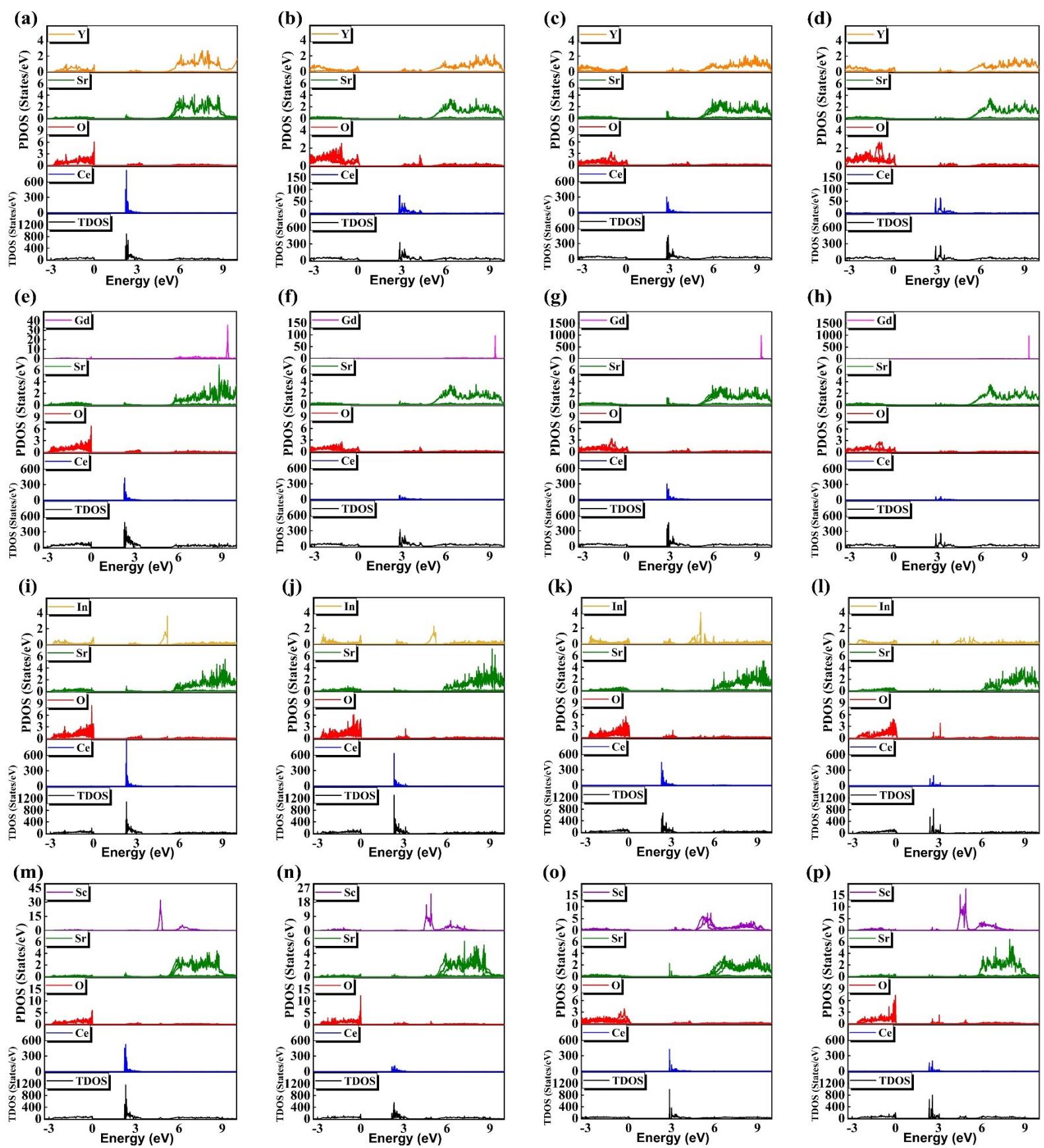


Fig S7: DFT simulated density of states of $\text{SrCe}_{1-x}\text{M}_x\text{O}_{3-\delta}$ ($\text{M} = \text{Y}^{3+}, \text{Gd}^{3+}, \text{In}^{3+}, \text{Sc}^{3+}$) corresponding to distinct doping concentration ($x = 0.125, 0.25, 0.375, 0.5$)

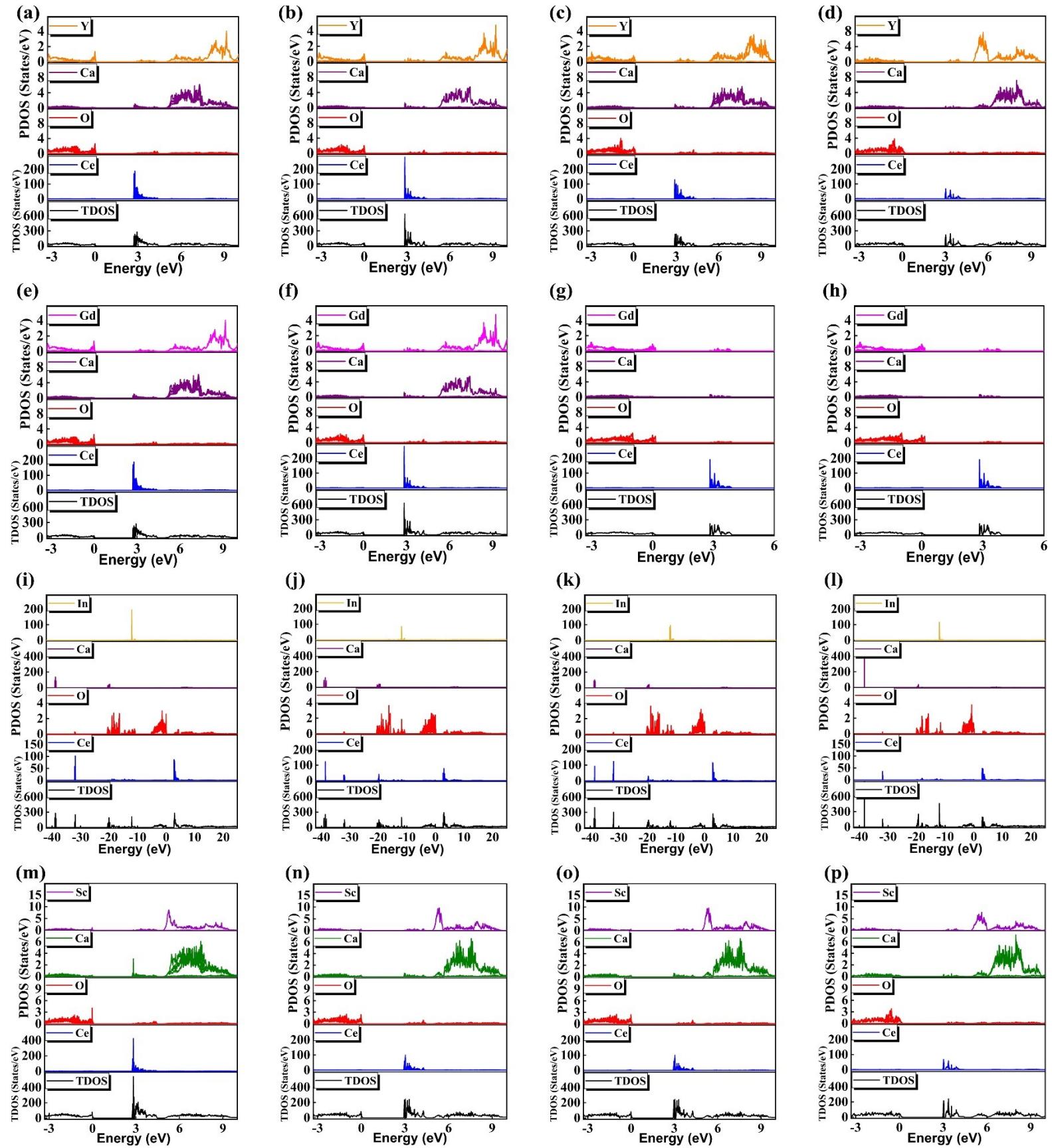


Fig S8: DFT simulated density of states of $\text{CaCe}_{1-x}\text{M}_x\text{O}_{3-\delta}$ ($\text{M} = \text{Y}^{3+}, \text{Gd}^{3+}, \text{In}^{3+}, \text{Sc}^{3+}$) corresponding to distinct doping concentration ($x = 0.125, 0.25, 0.375, 0.5$)

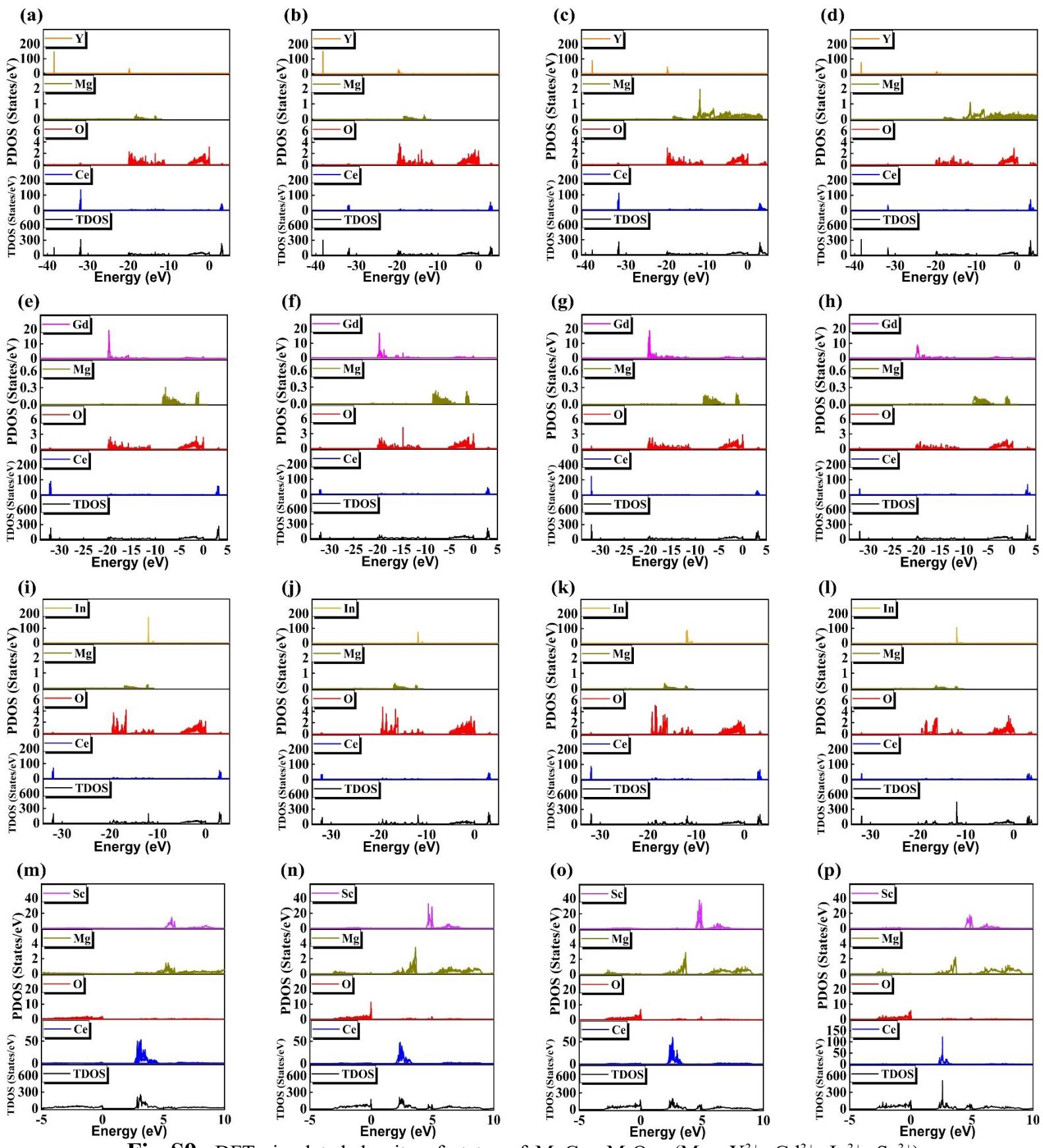


Fig S9: DFT simulated density of states of $\text{MgCe}_{1-x}\text{M}_x\text{O}_{3-\delta}$ ($\text{M} = \text{Y}^{3+}, \text{Gd}^{3+}, \text{In}^{3+}, \text{Sc}^{3+}$) corresponding to distinct doping concentration ($x = 0.125, 0.25, 0.375, 0.5$)

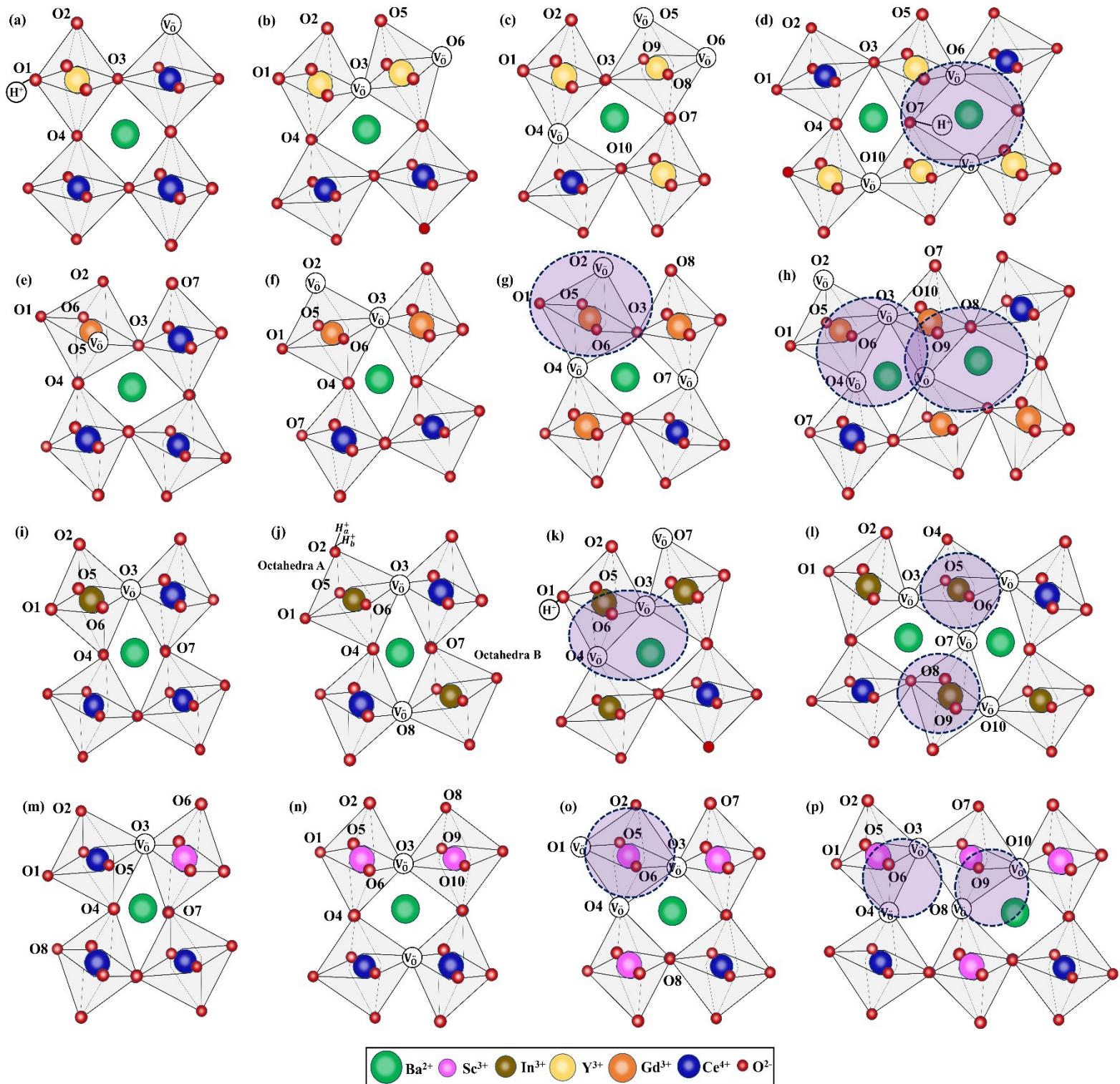


Fig S10: Proton landscape as function of different sized acceptors ($M = \text{Y}^{3+}, \text{Gd}^{3+}, \text{Sc}^{3+}, \text{In}^{3+}$) and doping concentration ($x = 0.125, 0.25, 0.375, 0.5$) in BaCeO_3

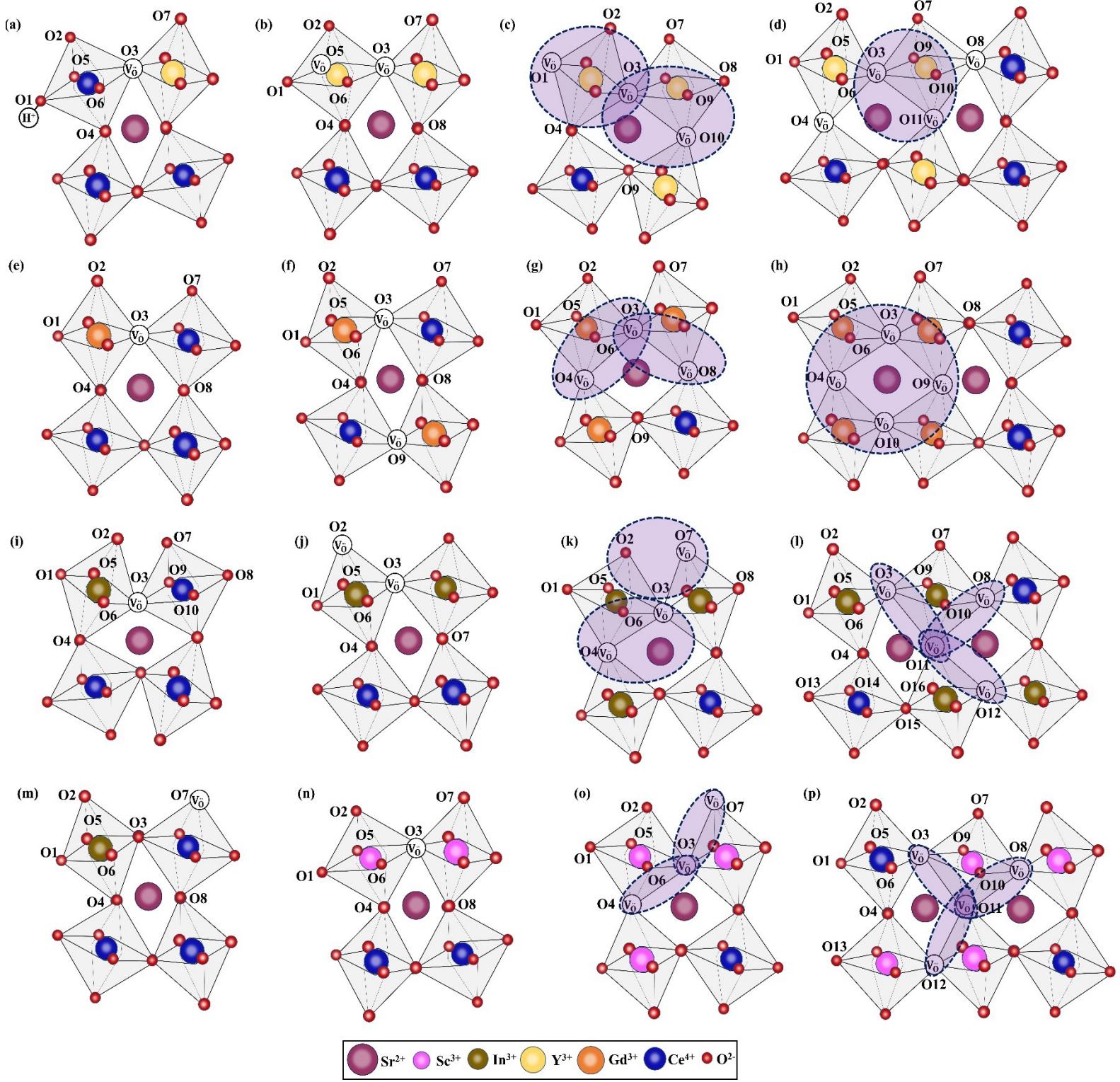


Fig S11: Proton landscape as function of different sized acceptors ($M = \text{Y}^{3+}, \text{Gd}^{3+}, \text{Sc}^{3+}, \text{In}^{3+}$) and doping concentration ($x = 0.125, 0.25, 0.375, 0.5$) in SrCeO_3

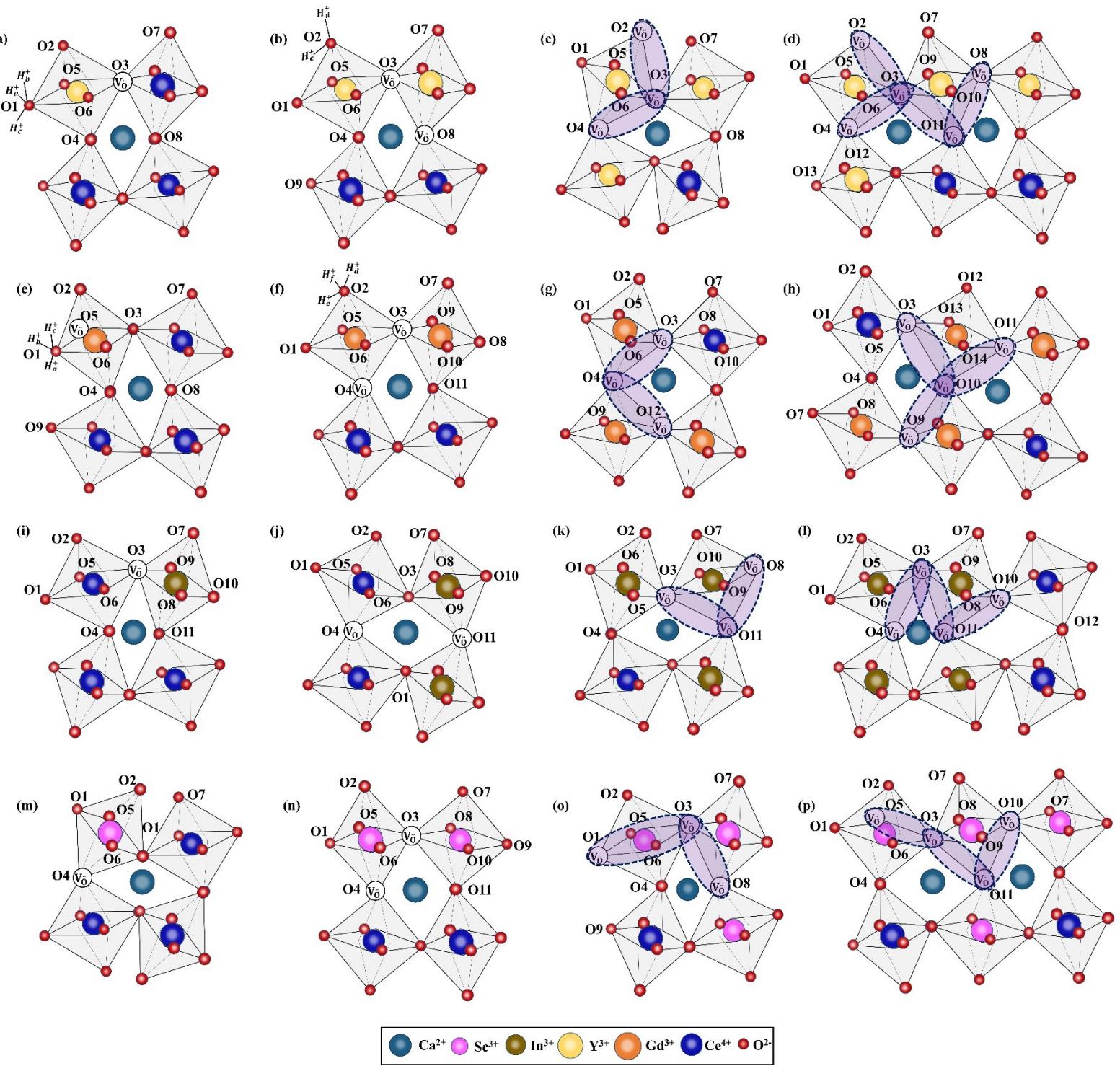


Fig S12: Proton landscape as function of different sized acceptors ($M = \text{Y}^{3+}, \text{Gd}^{3+}, \text{Sc}^{3+}, \text{In}^{3+}$) and doping concentration ($x = 0.125, 0.25, 0.375, 0.5$) in CaCeO_3

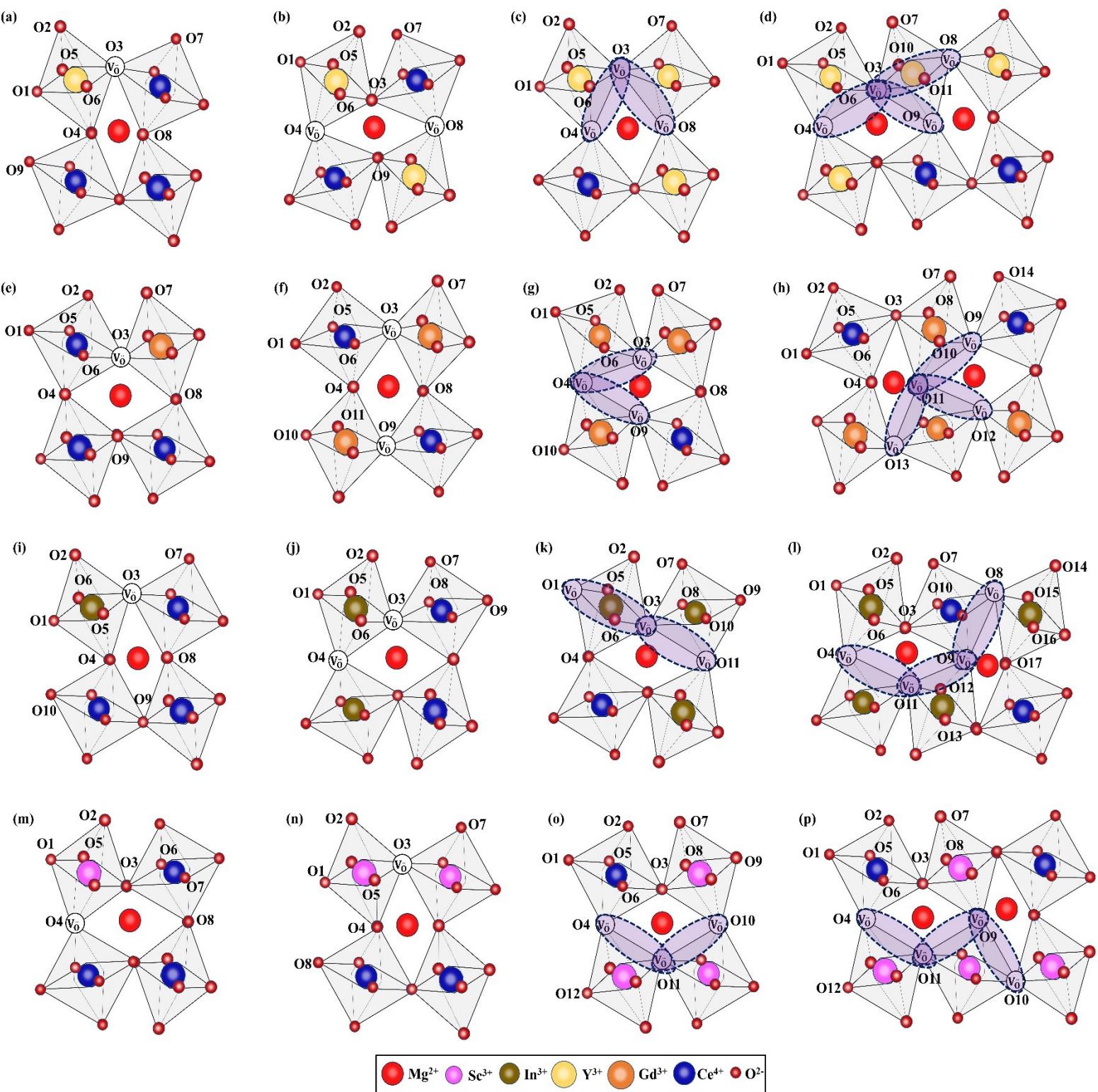


Fig S13: Proton landscape as function of different sized acceptors ($M = \text{Y}^{3+}, \text{Gd}^{3+}, \text{Sc}^{3+}, \text{In}^{3+}$) and doping concentration ($x = 0.125, 0.25, 0.375, 0.5$) in MgCeO_3

POTCAR file for Cerium (Ce):

PAW_PBE Ce 23Dec2003

12.00000000000000

parameters from PSCTR are:

VRHFIN =Ce : [core= Kr 4d10]

LEXCH = PE

EATOM = 1063.0861 eV, 78.1346 Ry

TITEL = PAW_PBE Ce 23Dec2003

LULTRA = F use ultrasoft PP ?

IUNSCR = 1 unscreen: 0-lin 1-nonlin 2-no

RPACOR = 1.800 partial core radius

POMASS = 140.115; ZVAL = 12.000 mass and valenz

RCORE = 2.700 outmost cutoff radius

RWIGS = 2.500; RWIGS = 1.323 wigner-seitz radius (au A)

ENMAX = 273.042; ENMIN = 204.781 eV

RCLOC = 1.810 cutoff for local pot

LCOR = T correct aug charges

LPAW = T paw PP

EAUG = 580.196

DEXC = 0.000

RMAX = 2.749 core radius for proj-oper

RAUG = 1.300 factor for augmentation sphere

RDEP = 2.810 radius for radial grids

RDEPT = 2.162 core radius for aug-charge

Atomic configuration

14 entries

n l j E occ.

1 0 0.50 -40258.9816 2.0000

2 0 0.50 -6445.4884 2.0000

DEXC = 0.000
RMAX = 2.552 core radius for proj-oper
RAUG = 1.300 factor for augmentation sphere
RDEP = 2.630 radius for radial grids
RDEPT = 2.033 core radius for aug-charge

Atomic configuration

12 entries

n	l	j	E	occ.
1	0	0.50	-27747.9169	2.0000
2	0	0.50	-4154.4438	2.0000
2	1	1.50	-3728.4305	6.0000
3	0	0.50	-788.3680	2.0000
3	1	1.50	-648.9215	6.0000
3	2	2.50	-432.5893	10.0000
4	0	0.50	-119.6363	2.0000
4	1	1.50	-78.1086	6.0000
4	2	2.50	-18.6227	10.0000
5	0	0.50	-8.2107	2.0000
5	1	0.50	-2.5185	1.0000
4	3	2.50	-2.7212	0.0000

Description

I	E	TYP	RCUT	TYP	RCUT
2	-18.6226981	23	2.500		
2	-1.3605826	23	2.500		
0	-8.2107305	23	2.500		
0	-6.1485975	23	2.500		
1	-2.5184867	23	2.500		
1	3.2427302	23	2.500		
3	-1.3605826	7	2.500		

Error from kinetic energy argument (eV)

RCORE = 2.800 outmost cutoff radius
RWIGS = 3.430; RWIGS = 1.815 wigner-seitz radius (au A)
ENMAX = 202.626; ENMIN = 151.970 eV
RCLOC = 2.212 cutoff for local pot
LCOR = T correct aug charges
LPAW = T paw PP
EAUG = 470.889
DEXC = 0.000
RMAX = 2.863 core radius for proj-oper
RAUG = 1.300 factor for augmentation sphere
RDEP = 2.926 radius for radial grids
RDEPT = 2.280 core radius for aug-charge

Atomic configuration

11 entries

n	l	j	E	occ.
1	0	0.50	-16863.0720	2.0000
2	0	0.50	-2309.2881	2.0000
2	1	1.50	-2055.5536	6.0000
3	0	0.50	-367.1837	2.0000
3	1	1.50	-284.8912	6.0000
3	2	2.50	-149.4324	10.0000
4	0	0.50	-46.3345	2.0000
5	0	0.50	-3.6387	1.0000
4	1	1.50	-26.3769	6.0000
4	2	2.50	-1.6291	2.0000
4	3	2.50	-1.3606	0.0000

Description

I	E	TYP	RCUT	TYP	RCUT
0	-46.3344714	23	2.600		
0	-3.6387002	23	2.700		

TITEL = PAW_PBE Gd_3 06Sep2000
LULTRA = F use ultrasoft PP ?
IUNSCR = 1 unscreen: 0-lin 1-nonlin 2-no
RPACOR = 2.300 partial core radius
POMASS = 157.250; ZVAL = 9.000 mass and valenz
RCORE = 3.000 outmost cutoff radius
RWIGS = 3.000; RWIGS = 1.588 wigner-seitz radius (au A)
ENMAX = 154.332; ENMIN = 115.749 eV
RCLOC = 2.316 cutoff for local pot
LCOR = T correct aug charges
LPAW = T paw PP
EAUG = 282.292
DEXC = 0.000
RMAX = 3.070 core radius for proj-oper
RAUG = 1.300 factor for augmentation sphere
RDEP = 3.114 radius for radial grids
RDEPT = 2.525 core radius for aug-charge

Atomic configuration

14 entries

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3	0	0.50	-1833.2681	2.0000
3	1	1.50	-1550.9376	6.0000
3	2	2.50	-1178.7203	10.0000
4	0	0.50	-369.2977	2.0000
4	1	1.50	-276.2600	6.0000
4	2	2.50	-147.6610	10.0000

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END of PSCTR-controll parameters

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VASP-POTCAR file comprising of frozen-core and valence electron configuration across different atomic components within standalone and acceptor ($M = Sc^{3+}, In^{3+}, Y^{3+}, Gd^{3+}$) doped $ACe_{1-x}M_xO_{3-\delta}$ ($A = Ba^{2+}, Sr^{2+}, Ca^{2+}, Mg^{2+}$) proton conductors