

Trinuclear and tetranuclear cyclopentadienyl vanadium carbonyl clusters: unusual carbonyl groups in Herrmann's mysterious $(C_5H_5)_4V_4(CO)_4$ exhibiting low CO stretching frequencies

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Table S1. The values of V-V bond (Å) for $\text{Cp}_2\text{V}_2(\text{CO})_5$.

	V-V (Å)
BP86	2.452
PBE	2.447
Exp.[7]	2.459

Table S2. The $\nu(\text{CO})$ vibrational frequencies (cm^{-1}) for $\text{Cp}_2\text{V}_2(\text{CO})_5$.

	$\nu(\text{CO})(\text{cm}^{-1})$
BP86	1836,1865,1891,1926,1966
PBE	1846,1875,1900,1935,1976
Exp.[7]	1817,1858,1890,1944,1990

Table S3. Total energies (E, in hartree), relative energies (ΔE , in kcal/mol) at the BP86/DZP and PBE/DZP levels of the theory for **4T-1**, **4T-4** and **4Q-3** of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$.

		4T-1(C_1)	4T-4(C_1)	4Q-3(C_2)
BP86	E	-5004.565892	-5004.351694	-5004.339048
	ΔE	0	134.4	142.3
PBE	E	-5001.665012	-5001.452130	-5001.439427
	ΔE	0	133.6	141.6

Table S4. Total energies (E, in hartree), relative energies (ΔE , in kcal/mol) at the BP86/ 6-311+ G(2d,2p) and PBE/6-311+ G(2d,2p) levels of the theory for **4T-1**, **4T-4** and **4Q-3** of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$.

		4T-1(C_1)	4T-4(C_1)	4Q-3(C_2)
BP86	E	-5004.660285	-5004.440550	-5004.428948
	ΔE	0	137.9	145.2
PBE	E	-5001.755946	-5001.536529	-5001.524838
	ΔE	0	137.7	145.0

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		4T-1(C_1)	4T-4(C_1)	4Q-3(C_2)
BP86	E	-5004.689729	-5004.513805	-5004.500926
	ΔE	0	110.4	118.5
PBE	E	-5001.753646	-5001.568092	-5001.555354
	ΔE	0	116.4	124.4

Table S6. Total energies (E, in hartree), relative energies (ΔE , in kcal/mol), spin square values $\langle S^2 \rangle$, number of imaginary vibrational frequencies (Nimg) for the singlet stationary points of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$.

Singlet		4S-1(S_4)	4S-2(C_1)	4S-3(C_1)	4S-4(D_{2d})	4S-5(C_2)
BP86	E	-5004.564269	-5004.553768	-5004.551280	-5004.544045	-5004.542863
	ΔE	1.0	7.6	9.2	13.7	14.5
	$\langle S^2 \rangle$	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Nimg	0	0	0	0	0
PBE	E	-5001.664066	-5001.654313	-5001.650915	-5001.644531	-5001.643272
	ΔE	0.6	6.7	8.8	12.9	13.6
	$\langle S^2 \rangle$	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Nimg	0	0	0	0	0

Table S7. Total Energies (E, in hartree), relative energies (ΔE , in kcal/mol), spin square values $\langle S^2 \rangle$, number of imaginary vibrational frequencies (Nimg) for the triplet stationary points of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$.

Triplet		4T-1(C_1)	4T-2(C_1)	4T-3(C_2)
BP86	E	-5004.565892	-5004.548402	-5004.545326
	ΔE	0	11.0	12.9
	$\langle S^2 \rangle$	2.12	2.05	2.05
	Nimg	0	0	0
PBE	E	-5001.665012	-5001.648298	-5001.644947
	ΔE	0	10.5	12.6
	$\langle S^2 \rangle$	2.12	2.05	2.06
	Nimg	0	0	0

Table S8. Total energies (E, in hartree), relative energies (ΔE , in kcal/mol), spin square values $\langle S^2 \rangle$, number of imaginary vibrational frequencies (Nimg) for the quintet stationary points of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$

Quintet		4Q-1(C_1)	4Q-2(C_1)
BP86	E	-5004.557093	-5004.544384
	ΔE	5.5	13.5
	$\langle S^2 \rangle$	6.09	6.07
	Nimg	0	0
PBE	E	-5001.647534	-5001.644291
	ΔE	11.0	13.0
	$\langle S^2 \rangle$	6.20	6.08
	Nimg	0	0

Table S9. Infrared active $\nu(\text{CO})$ vibrational frequencies (cm^{-1}) predicted for the ten lowest energy stationary points of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$ (infrared intensities in parentheses are in km/mol).

PBE	
4S-1(S_4)	1551(23), 1553(263), 1553(263), 1559(0)
4S-2(C_1)	1330(65), 1722(292), 1752(770), 1787(506)
4S-3(C_1)	1678(610), 1694(211), 1713(439), 1725(271)
4S-4(D_{2d})	1629(669), 1629(669), 1642(211), 1658(0)
4S-5(C_2)	1626(668), 1626(660), 1639(219), 1655(0)
4T-1(C_1)	1382(50), 1532(189), 1634(345), 1667(323)
4T-2(C_1)	1315(55), 1741(425), 1759(628), 1814(561)
4T-3(C_2)	1529(294), 1529(26), 1540(339), 1569(17)
4Q-1(C_1)	1476(117), 1503(226), 1657(373), 1672(243)
4Q-2(C_1)	1646(372), 1667(344), 1694(649), 1707(134)

Table S10. Total energies (E, in hartree), relative energies (ΔE , in kcal/mol), number of imaginary vibrational frequencies (Nimg) for the three singlet stationary points of $\text{Cp}_3\text{V}_3(\text{CO})_9$.

		9S-1(C_3)	9S-2(C_1)	9S-3(C_s)
BP86	E	-4433.578680	-4433.568298	-4433.553551
	ΔE	0	6.5	15.8
	Nimg	0	0	0
PBE	E	-4430.676327	-4430.665704	-4430.651992
	ΔE	0	6.7	15.3
	Nimg	0	0	0

Table S11. Infrared active $\nu(\text{CO})$ vibrational frequencies (cm^{-1}) predicted for the three singlet stationary points of $\text{Cp}_3\text{V}_3(\text{CO})_9$ (infrared intensities in parentheses are in km/mol).

		PBE
9S-1(C_3)		1840(40), 1840(40), 1880(1013), 1904(633), 1904(633), 1915(260), 1932(430), 1932(430), 1993(880)
9S-2(C_1)		1765(324), 1793(147), 1874(305), 1901(563), 1912(33), 1922(142), 1944(616), 1961(1464), 1999(641)
9S-3(C_s)		1723(337), 1804(251), 1868(410), 1870(314), 1879(140), 1930(17), 1949(1408), 1950(438), 1993(1356)

Table S12. Total energies (E, in hartree), relative energies (ΔE , in kcal/mol), spin square values $\langle S^2 \rangle$, number of imaginary vibrational frequencies (Nimg) at BP86/TZP level of the theory for the singlet stationary points of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$.

		4S-1(S_4)	4S-2(C_1)	4S-3(C_1)	4S-4(D_{2d})	4S-5(C_2)
BP86	E	-5004.838821	-5004.832983	-5004.832489	-5004.821611	-5004.820511
	ΔE	2.0	5.7	6.0	12.8	13.5
	$\langle S^2 \rangle$	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Nimg	0	0	0	3(11i,7i,7i) ^[a]	0

^[a]These imaginary frequencies were reduced to 0i by using the larger (120,974) integration.

Table S13. Total energies (E, in hartree), relative energies (ΔE , in kcal/mol), spin square values $\langle S^2 \rangle$, number of imaginary vibrational frequencies (Nimg) at BP86/TZP level of the theory for the triplet stationary points of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$.

		4T-1(C₁)	4T-2(C₁)	4T-3(C₂)
BP86	E	-5004.842002	-5004.827879	-5004.819127
	ΔE	0	8.9	14.4
	$\langle S^2 \rangle$	2.1	2.1	2.1
	Nimg	0	0	0

Table S14. Total energies (E, in hartree), relative energies (ΔE , in kcal/mol), spin square values $\langle S^2 \rangle$, number of imaginary vibrational frequencies (Nimg) at BP86/TZP level of the theory for the quintet stationary points of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$.

		4Q-1(C₁)	4Q-2(C₂)
BP86	E	-5004.831936	-5004.823626
	ΔE	6.3	11.5
	$\langle S^2 \rangle$	6.1	6.0
	Nimg	0	0

Table S15. Total energies (E, in hartree), relative energies (ΔE , in kcal/mol), number of imaginary vibrational frequencies (Nimg) at BP86/TZP level of the theory for the singlet stationary points of $\text{Cp}_3\text{V}_3(\text{CO})_9$.

		9S-1(C₃)	9S-2(C₁)	9S-3(C₃)
BP86	E	-4433.929323	-4433.917701	-4433.901157
	ΔE	0	7.3	17.7
	Nimg	0	0	0

Table S16. Total energies (E, in hartree), relative energies (ΔE , in kcal/mol), spin square values $\langle S^2 \rangle$, number of imaginary vibrational frequencies (Nimg) at PBE0/DZP level of the theory for the lowest energy structure and one quintet stationary point of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$.

		4T-1(C_1)	4Q-1(C_1)
PBE0	E	-5001.657687	-5001.652138
	ΔE	0	3.5
	$\langle S^2 \rangle$	3.5	7.3
	Nimg	0	0

Table S17. Total energies (E, in hartree), number of imaginary vibrational frequencies (Nimg) at BP86/DZP and PBE/DZP levels of the theory for the stationary points of $\text{Cp}_2\text{V}_2(\text{CO})_n$ (n=6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1).

		$\text{Cp}_2\text{V}_2(\text{CO})_6(C_{2v})$	$\text{Cp}_2\text{V}_2(\text{CO})_5(C_s)$	$\text{Cp}_2\text{V}_2(\text{CO})_4(C_s)$
BP86	E	-2955.732464	-2842.387986	-2729.007233
	Nimg	0	0	0
PBE	E	-2953.793219	-2840.569460	-2727.309052
	Nimg	0	0	0
		$\text{Cp}_2\text{V}_2(\text{CO})_3(C_s)$	$\text{Cp}_2\text{V}_2(\text{CO})_2(C_s)$	$\text{Cp}_2\text{V}_2(\text{CO})(C_s)$
BP86	E	-2615.630904	-2502.223405	-2388.804308
	Nimg	0	1(16i) ^[a]	1(3i)
PBE	E	-2614.054169	-2500.767570	-2387.470156
	Nimg	0	1(13i) ^[a]	1(7i)

^[a]These imaginary frequencies were reduced to 0i by using the larger (120,974) integration.

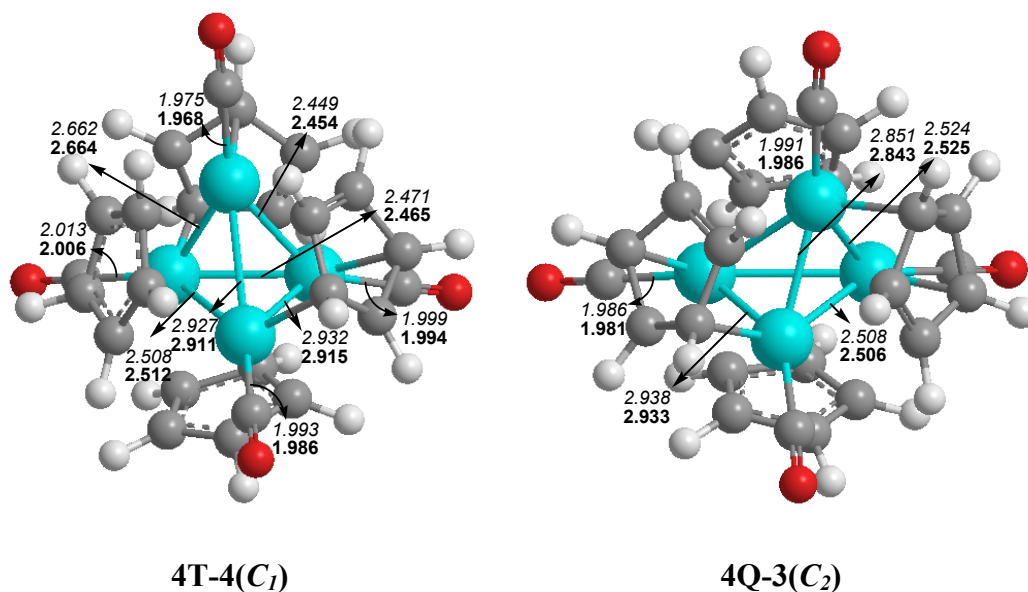


Figure S1. The optimized structures for $Cp_4V_4(CO)_4$ by BP86 and PBE methods. The upper numbers (*italics*) were obtained by the BP86 method, while the lower numbers (**bold face**) were obtained by the PBE method. The data in all of the other figures in the present paper have the same arrangement. In all of the structure figures blue circles (●) represent vanadium atoms; red circles (●) represent oxygen atoms; and gray circles (●) represent carbon atoms.

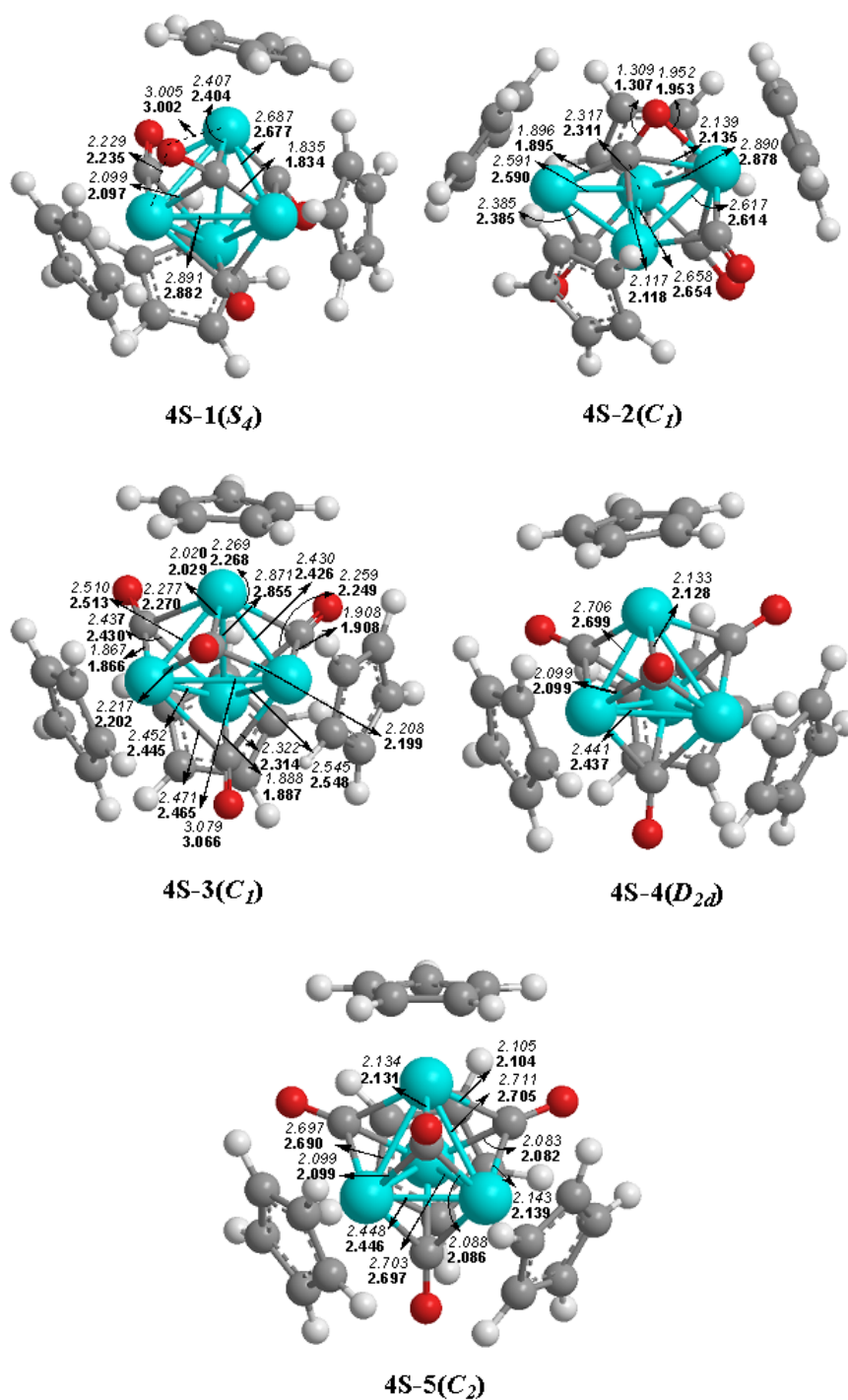


Figure S2. The five optimized singlet structures for $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$ by BP86 and PBE methods.

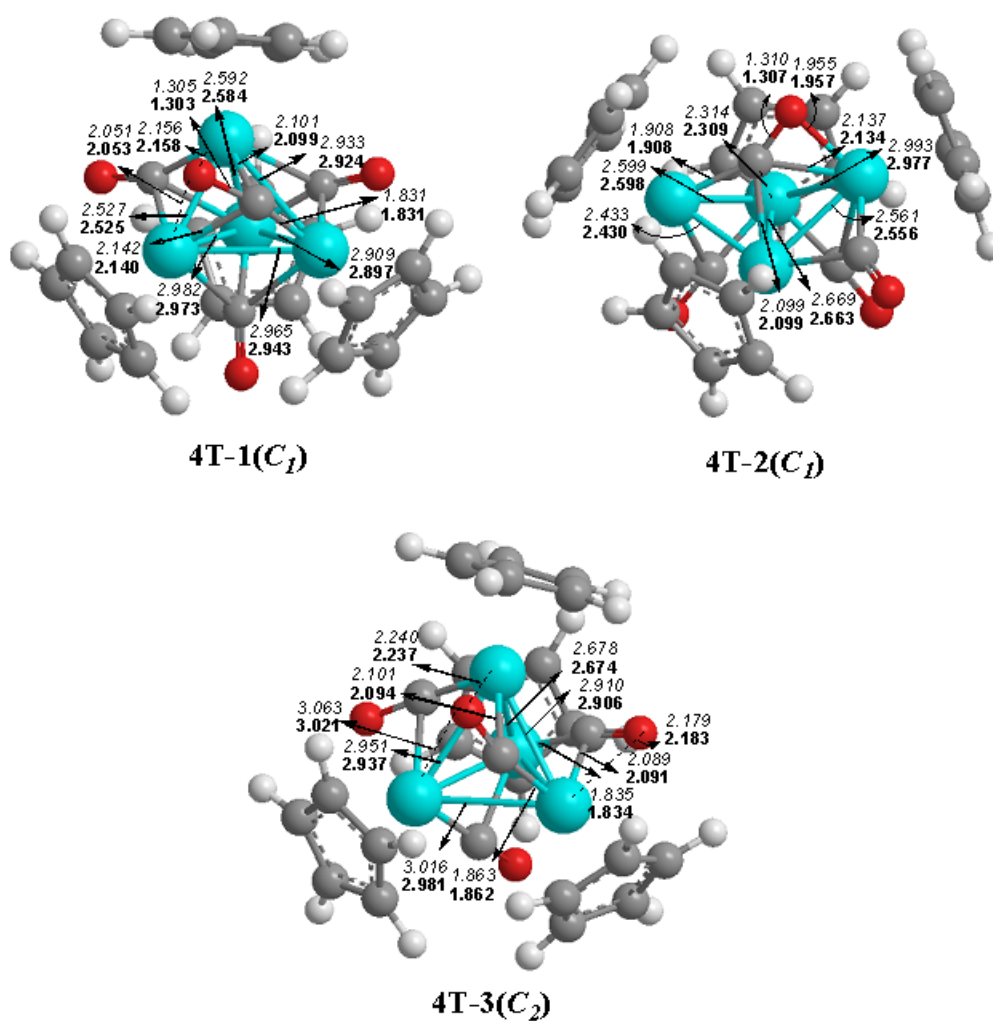


Figure S3. The three optimized triplet structures for $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$ by BP86 and PBE methods.

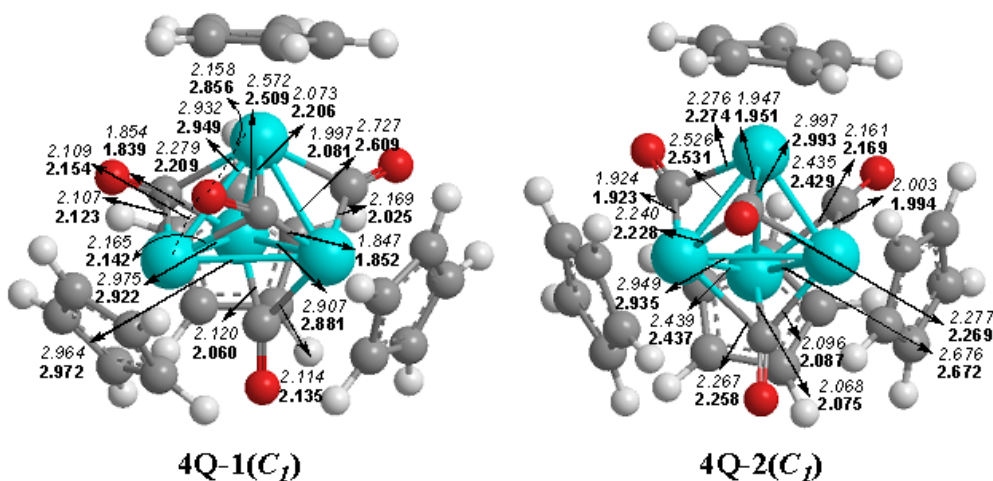


Figure S4. The two optimized quintet structures for $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$ by BP86 and PBE methods.

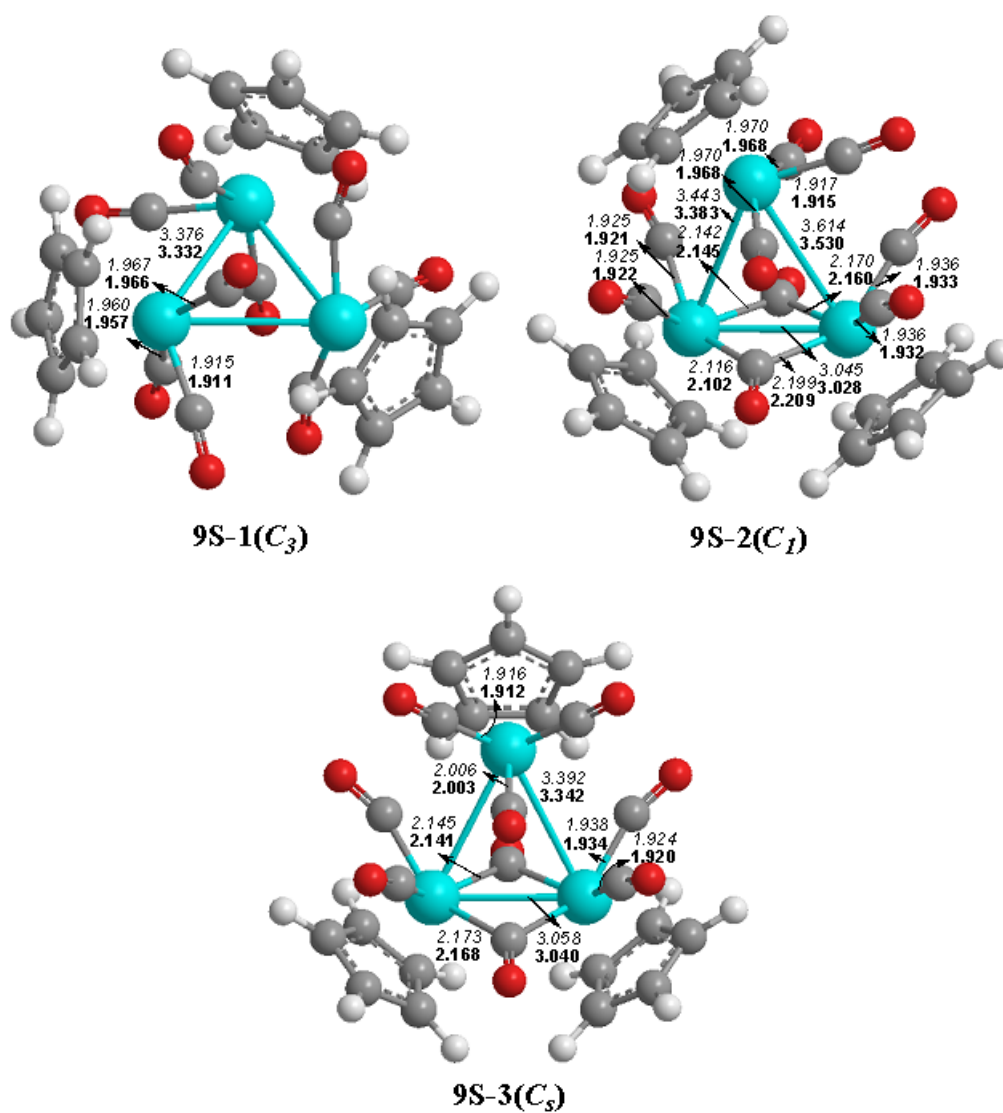


Figure S5. The three optimized singlet structures for $Cp_3V_3(CO)_9$ by BP86 and PBE methods.

4S-1 has two short V-V double bonds, namely, 2.687 Å for V₁-V₂ and V₃-V₄. The other four V-V single bonds are relatively longer, namely, 2.891 Å for V₁-V₃, V₁-V₄, V₂-V₃ and V₂-V₄ bonds. This leads to give 16-electron configuration for each vanadium atom. The molecular orbital diagrams of **4S-1** are shown in Figure S6. The HOMO-2 and HOMO-7 orbitals can be assigned to the π-bonding orbital and σ-bonding orbital of V₁-V₂ double bond, respectively. HOMO-1 and HOMO-5 orbitals can be regarded as π-bonding orbital and σ-bonding orbital of V₃-V₄ double bond, respectively. The HOMO, HOMO-6, HOMO-4 and HOMO-3 orbitals are consistent with the σ-bonding orbitals of V₁-V₃, V₁-V₄, V₂-V₃ and V₂-V₄ single bonds, respectively.

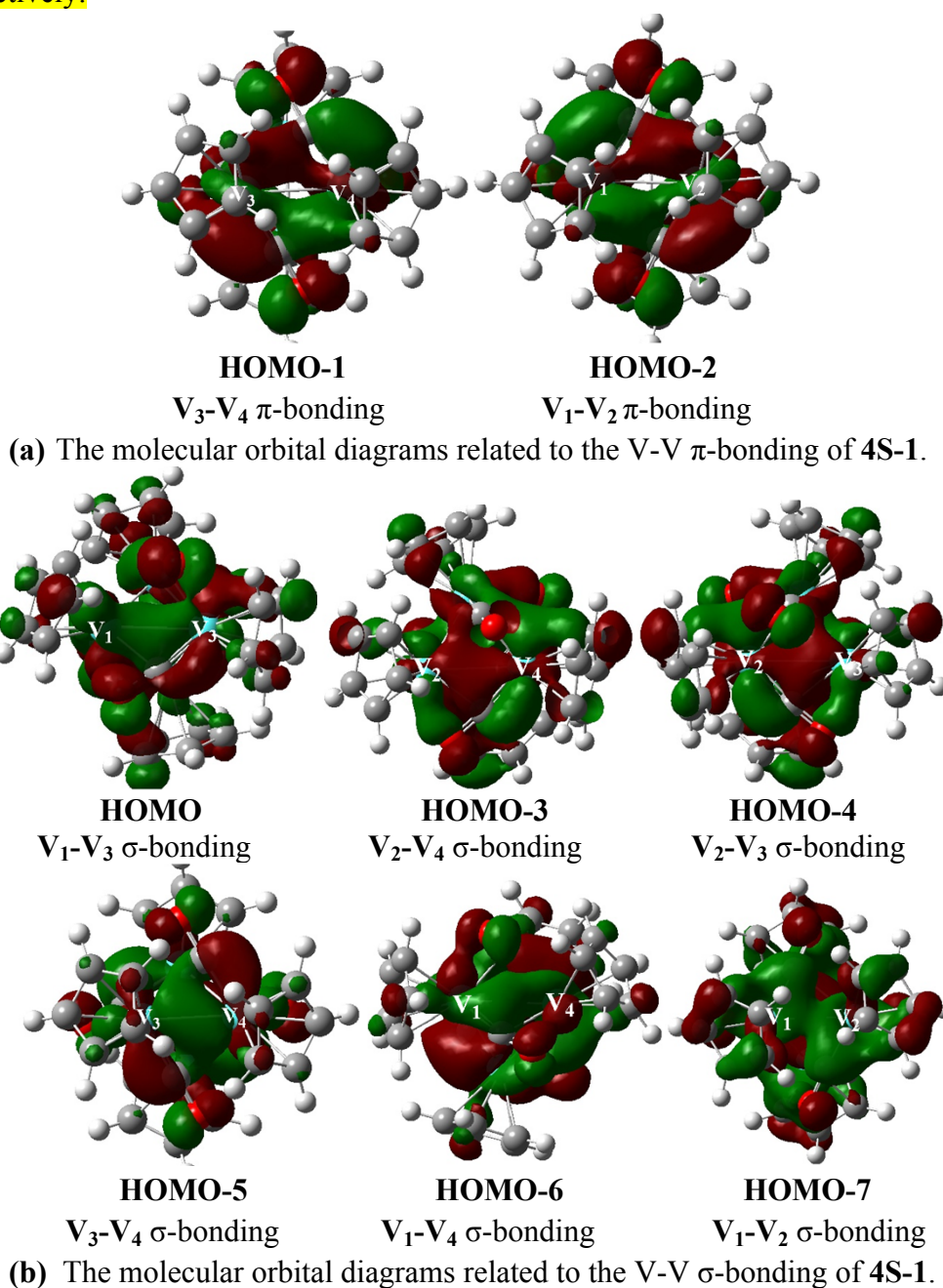
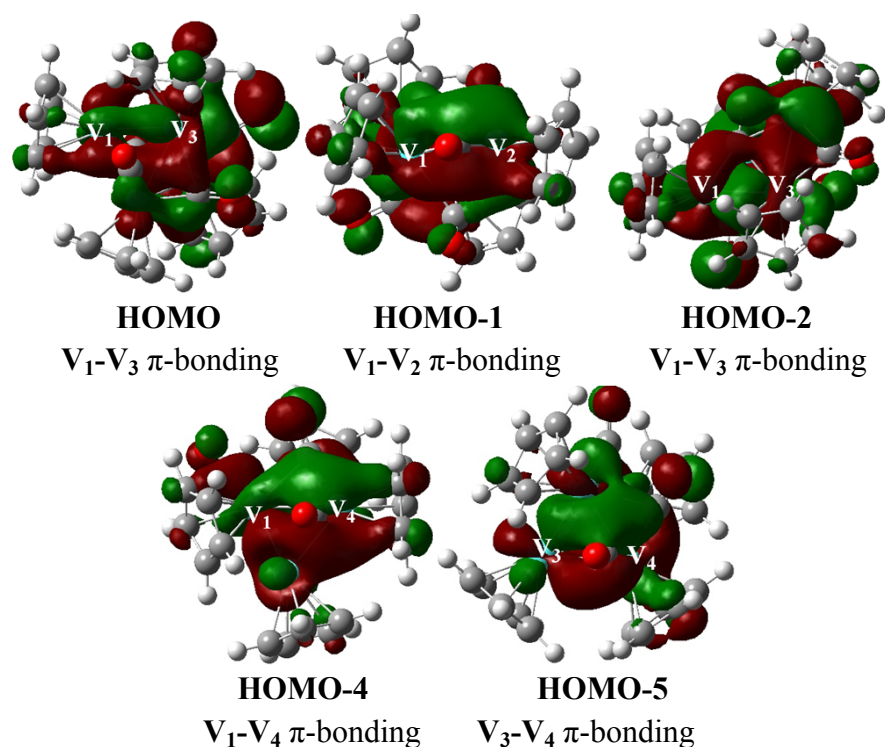
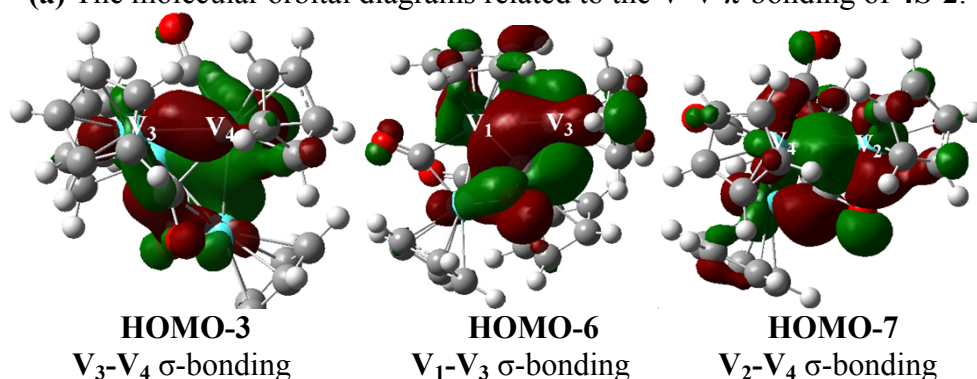


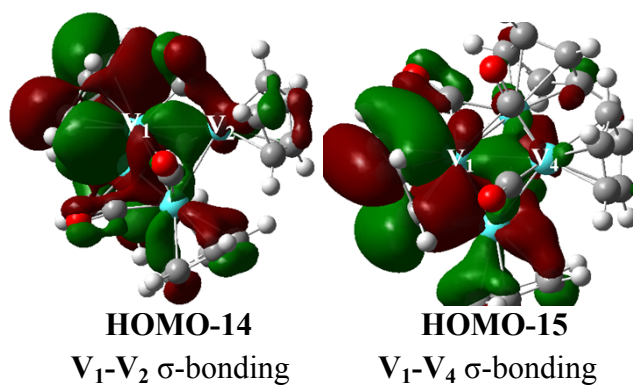
Figure S6. The comments and molecular orbital diagrams related to the V-V π-bonding orbitals (a) and V-V σ-bonding orbitals (b) of **4S-1**.

4S-2 has one short V-V triple bond, i.e. 2.385 Å for V₁-V₃. The other three V-V double bonds are relatively longer, namely, 2.617 Å for V₁-V₂ bond, 2.591 Å for V₃-V₄ bond and 2.658 Å for V₁-V₄ bond. The distance for the last V₂-V₄ single bond is 2.890 Å. The distance for V₂⋯V₃ is 3.845 Å, indicating there was only a slight bonding interaction between these two vanadium atoms. The four-electron donor η²-μ₄-CO group in **4S-2** accommodates the electron deficiency of this structure, thus to give 18-electron configurations for three vanadium atoms and 16-electron configuration for one vanadium atom. The molecular orbital diagrams of **4S-2** are shown in Figure S7. The HOMO, HOMO-2 and HOMO-6 orbitals are consistent with two π-bonding orbitals and σ-bonding orbital of V₁-V₃ triple bond, respectively. The HOMO-1 and HOMO-14 orbitals are corresponding to π-bonding orbital and σ-bonding orbital of V₁-V₂ double bond, respectively. The HOMO-5 and HOMO-3 orbitals can be regarded as π-bonding orbital and σ-bonding orbital of V₃-V₄ double bond, respectively. The HOMO-4 and HOMO-15 orbitals can be assigned as π-bonding orbital and σ-bonding orbital of V₁-V₄ double bond, respectively. The HOMO-7 orbital is corresponding to σ-bonding orbital of V₂-V₄ single bond.



(a) The molecular orbital diagrams related to the V-V π-bonding of **4S-2**.

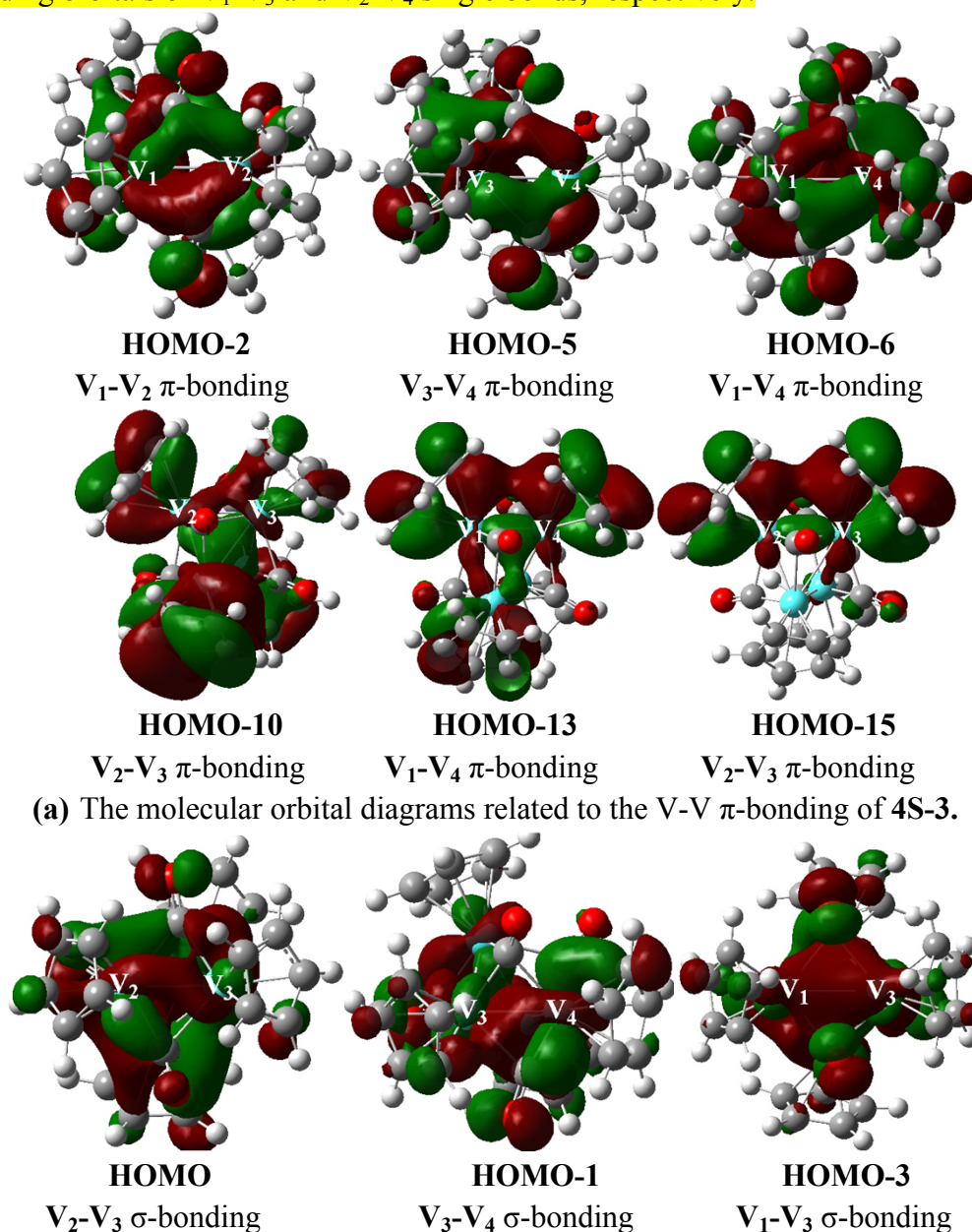


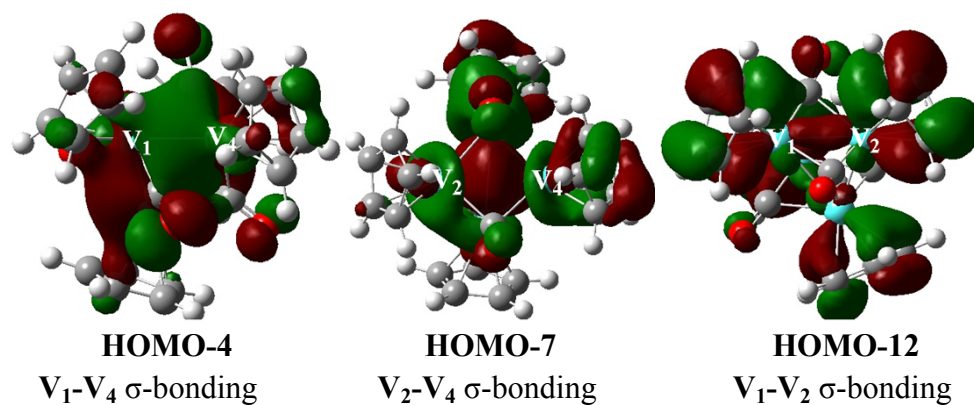


(b) The molecular orbital diagrams related to the V-V σ -bonding of 4S-2.

Figure S7. The comments and molecular orbital diagrams related to the V-V π -bonding orbitals (a) and V-V σ -bonding orbitals (b) of 4S-2.

4S-3 has two short V-V triple bonds, namely, 2.452 Å for V₁-V₄ and 2.430 Å for V₂-V₃. The distances for the relatively longer V₁-V₂ and V₃-V₄ double bonds are 2.545 and 2.510 Å. The last two V-V single bonds, namely, V₁-V₃ and V₂-V₄ have distances of 2.871 and 3.079 Å, respectively. This leads to the favored 18-electron configuration for each vanadium atom. The molecular orbital diagrams of **4S-3** are shown in Figure S8. The HOMO-6, HOMO-13 and HOMO-4 orbitals are corresponding to two π-bonding orbitals and σ-bonding orbital of V₁-V₄ triple bonds, respectively. The HOMO-10, HOMO-15 and HOMO orbitals are consistent with two π-bonding orbitals and σ-bonding orbital of V₂-V₃ triple bond, respectively. The HOMO-2 and HOMO-12 orbitals are corresponding to π-bonding orbital and σ-bonding orbital of V₁-V₂ double bond, respectively. The HOMO-5 and HOMO-1 orbitals can be regarded as π-bonding orbital and σ-bonding orbital of V₃-V₄ double bond, respectively. The HOMO-3 and HOMO-7 orbitals can be assigned as σ-bonding orbitals of V₁-V₃ and V₂-V₄ single bonds, respectively.

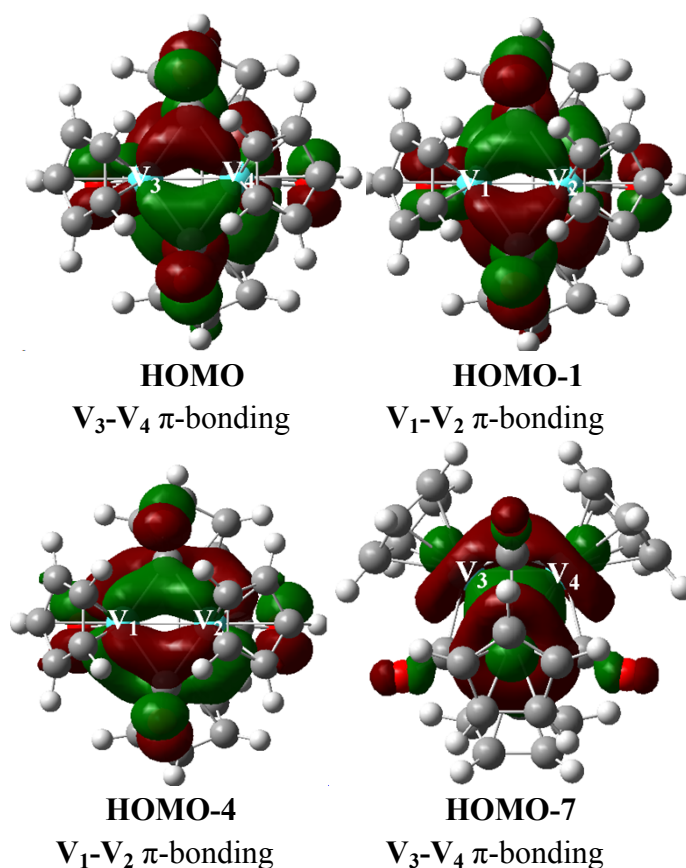




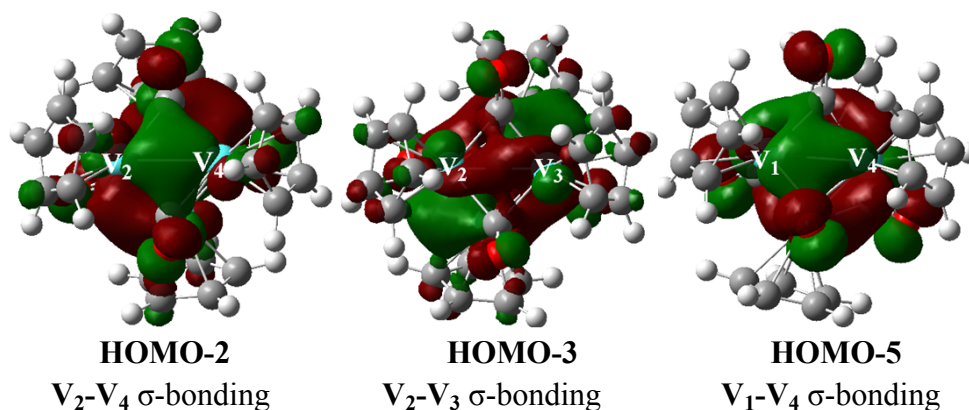
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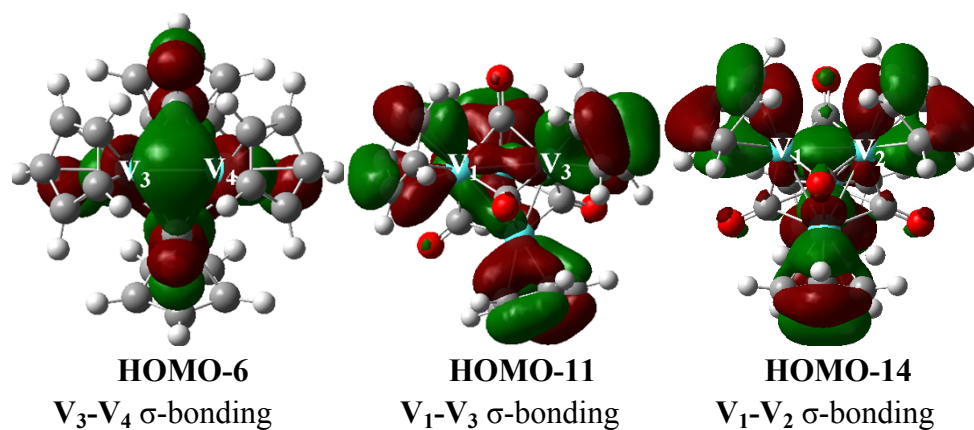
Figure S8. The comments and molecular orbital diagrams related to the V-V π -bonding orbitals (a) and V-V σ -bonding orbitals (b) of 4S-3.

4S-4 has two short V-V triple bonds, namely, 2.441 Å for V₁-V₂ and V₃-V₄. The other four long V-V single bonds are relatively longer, i.e. 2.706 Å for V₁-V₃, V₁-V₄, V₂-V₃ and V₂-V₄ bonds. This leads to 18-electron configurations for two vanadium atoms and 16-electron configuration for another two vanadium atoms. The molecular orbital diagrams of **4S-4** are shown in Figure S9. The HOMO-1, HOMO-4 and HOMO-14 orbitals can be regarded as two π-bonding orbitals and σ-bonding orbital of V₁-V₂ triple bond, respectively. The HOMO, HOMO-7 and HOMO-6 orbitals are corresponding to two π-bonding orbitals and σ-bonding orbital of V₃-V₄ triple bond, respectively. The HOMO-11, HOMO-5, HOMO-3 and HOMO-2 orbitals can be considered as σ-bonding orbitals of V₁-V₃, V₁-V₄, V₂-V₃ and V₂-V₄ single bonds, respectively.



(a) The molecular orbital diagrams related to the V-V π-bonding of **4S-4**.

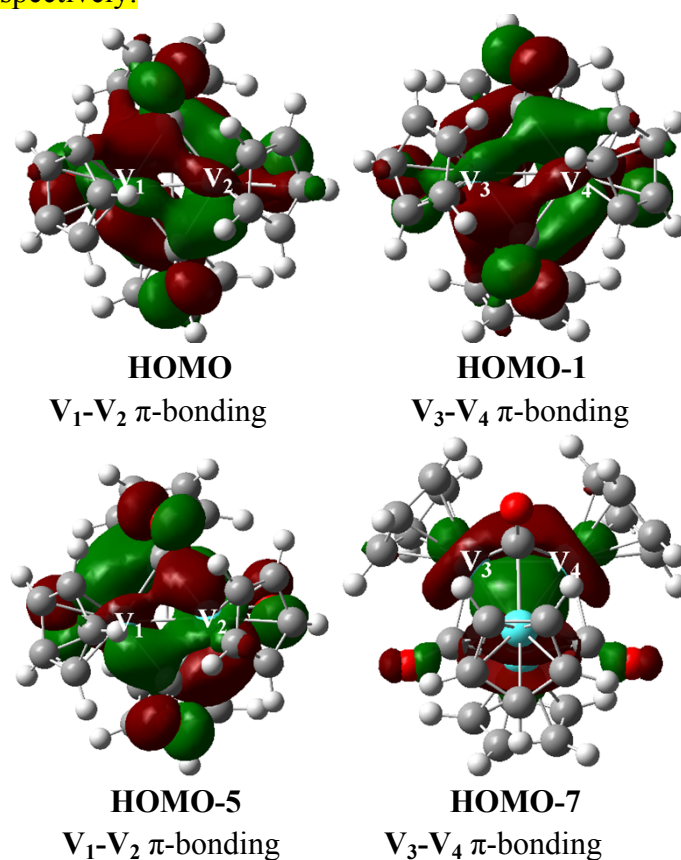




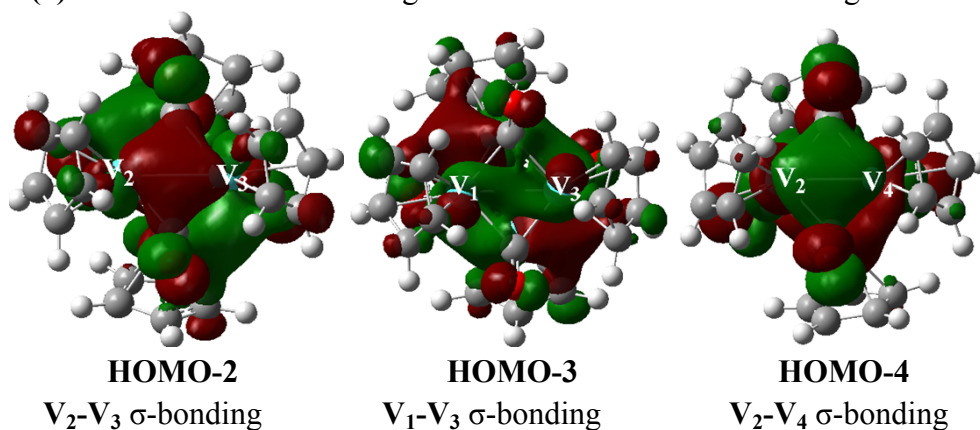
(b) The molecular orbital diagrams related to the V-V σ -bonding of 4S-4.

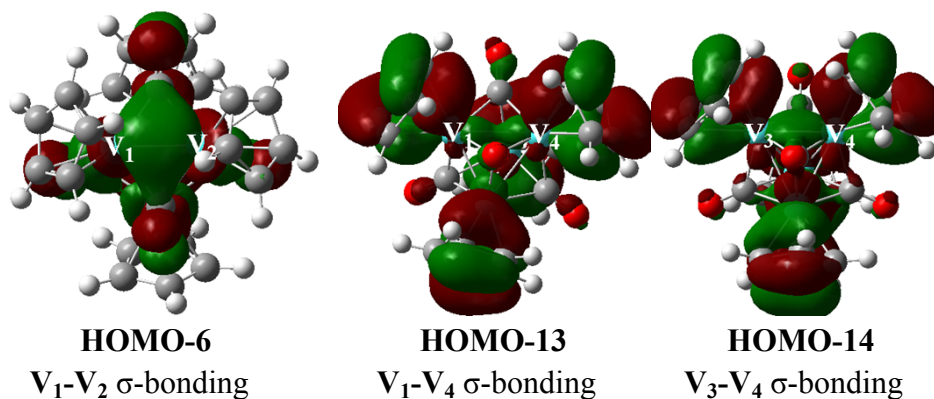
Figure S9. The comments and molecular orbital diagrams related to the V-V π -bonding orbitals (a) and V-V σ -bonding orbitals (b) of 4S-4.

4S-5 has two short V-V triple bonds, namely, V₁-V₂ and V₃-V₄ with distance of 2.448 Å, and four longer V-V single bonds, i.e. 2.771 Å for V₁-V₃, 2.697 Å for V₁-V₄, 2.703 Å for V₂-V₃ and 2.711 Å for V₂-V₄. This leads to 18-electron configurations for two vanadium atoms and 16-electron configurations for another two vanadium atoms. The molecular orbital diagrams of **4S-5** are shown in Figure S10. The HOMO, HOMO-5 and HOMO-6 orbitals can be regarded as two π-bonding orbitals and σ-bonding orbital of V₁-V₂ triple bond, respectively. The HOMO-1, HOMO-7 and HOMO-14 orbitals are corresponding to two π-bonding orbitals and σ-bonding orbital of V₃-V₄ triple bond, respectively. The HOMO-3, HOMO-13, HOMO-2 and HOMO-4 orbitals can be regarded as σ-bonding orbitals of V₁-V₃, V₁-V₄, V₂-V₃ and V₂-V₄ single bonds, respectively.



(a) The molecular orbital diagrams related to the V-V π-bonding of **4S-5**.

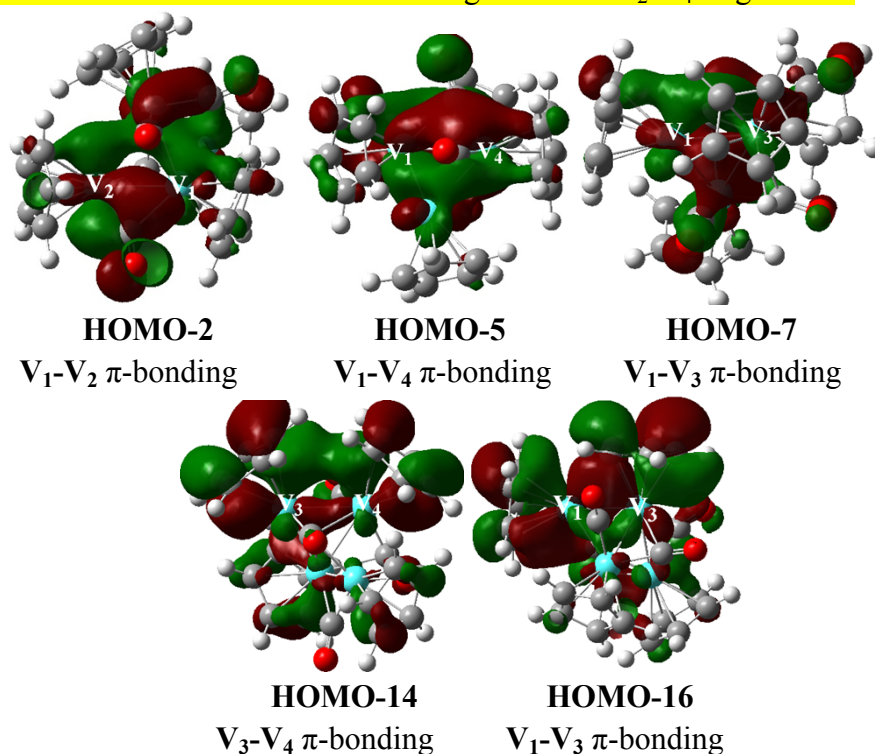




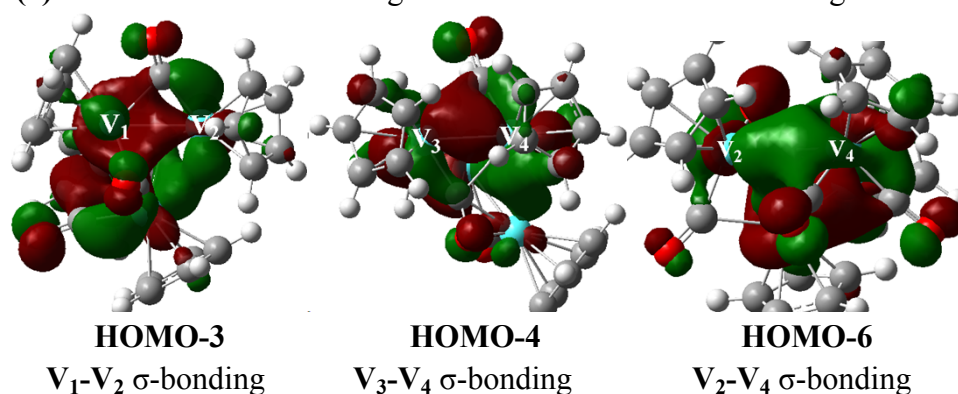
(b) The molecular orbital diagrams related to the V-V σ -bonding of 4S-5.

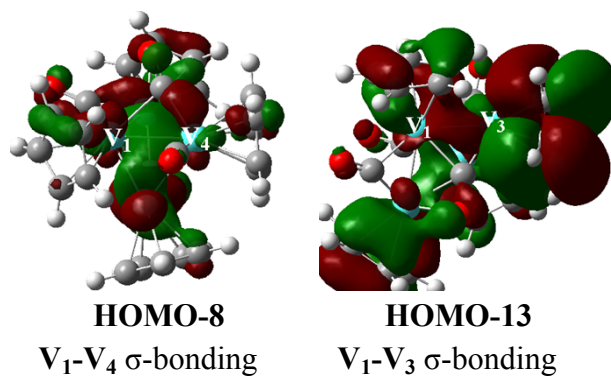
Figure S10. The comments and molecular orbital diagrams related to the V-V π -bonding orbitals (a) and V-V σ -bonding orbitals (b) of 4S-5.

4T-2 has one short V_1-V_3 triple bond with distance of 2.443 Å. The relatively longer V-V double bonds are with distance of 2.561 Å for V_1-V_2 , 2.669 Å for V_1-V_4 and 2.599 Å for V_3-V_4 . The distance of V_2-V_4 single bond is 2.993 Å. The distance for $V_2 \cdots V_3$ is 3.874 Å, which is too long for any significant direct metal-metal interaction between these two vanadium atoms. The four-electron donor $\eta^2-\mu_4-CO$ group in **4T-2** accommodates the electron deficiency of this structure, leading to 17-electron configurations for two vanadium atoms and 18-electron configurations for another two vanadium atoms. The molecular orbital diagrams of **4T-2** are shown in Figure S11. The HOMO-7, HOMO-16 and HOMO-13 orbitals can be assigned as two π -bonding orbitals and σ -bonding orbital of V_1-V_3 triple bond, respectively. The HOMO-2 and HOMO-3 orbitals are corresponding to π -bonding orbital and σ -bonding orbital of V_1-V_2 double bond, respectively. The HOMO-5 and HOMO-8 orbitals can be regarded as π -bonding orbital and σ -bonding orbital of V_1-V_4 double bond, respectively. The HOMO-14 and HOMO-4 orbitals can be regarded as π -bonding orbital and σ -bonding orbital of V_3-V_4 double bond, respectively. The HOMO-6 orbital is consistent with σ -bonding orbital of V_2-V_4 single bond.



(a) The molecular orbital diagrams related to the V-V π -bonding of **4T-2**.

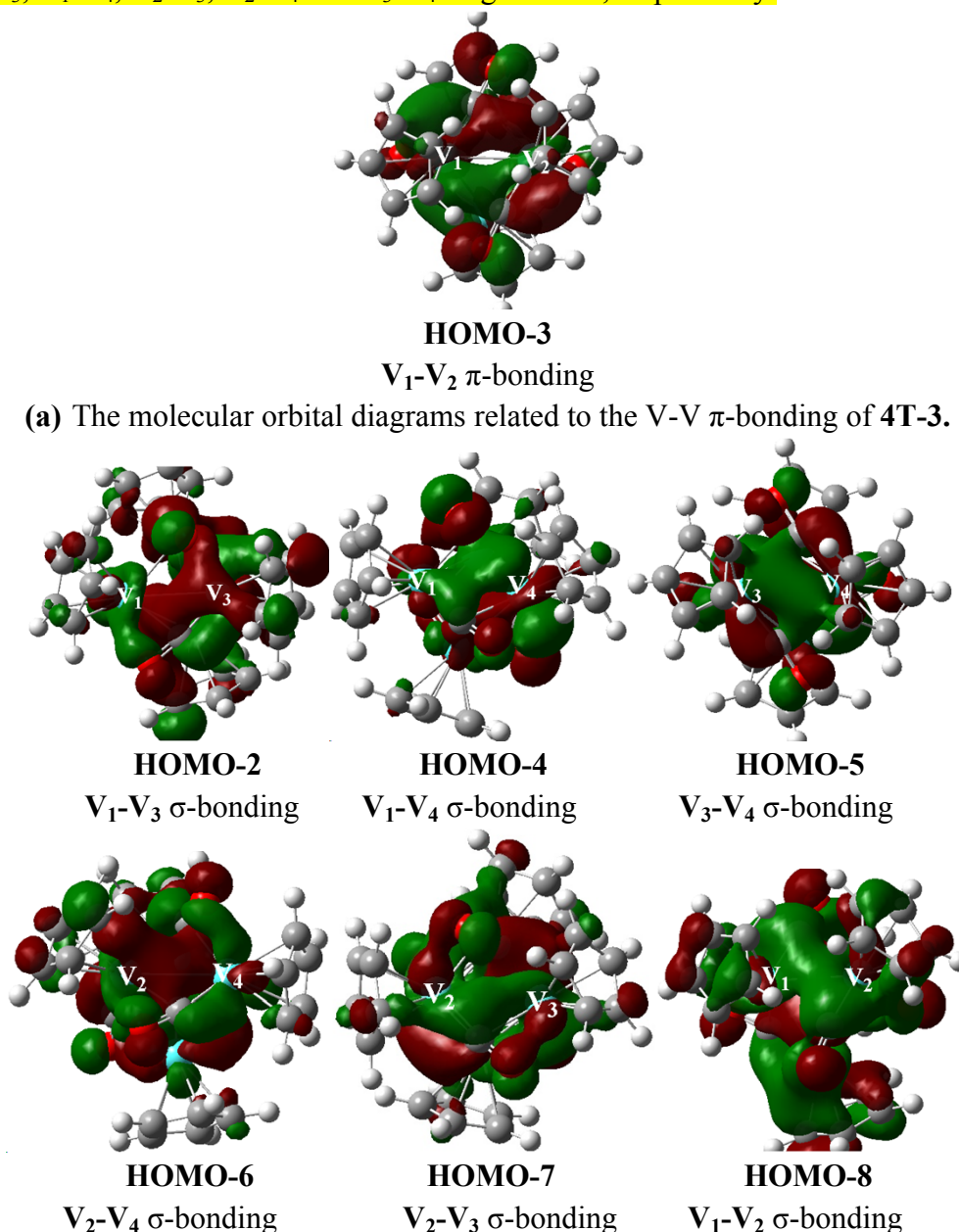




(b) The molecular orbital diagrams related to the V-V σ -bonding of 4T-2.

Figure S11. The comments and molecular orbital diagrams related to the V-V π -bonding orbitals (a) and V-V σ -bonding orbitals (b) of 4T-2.

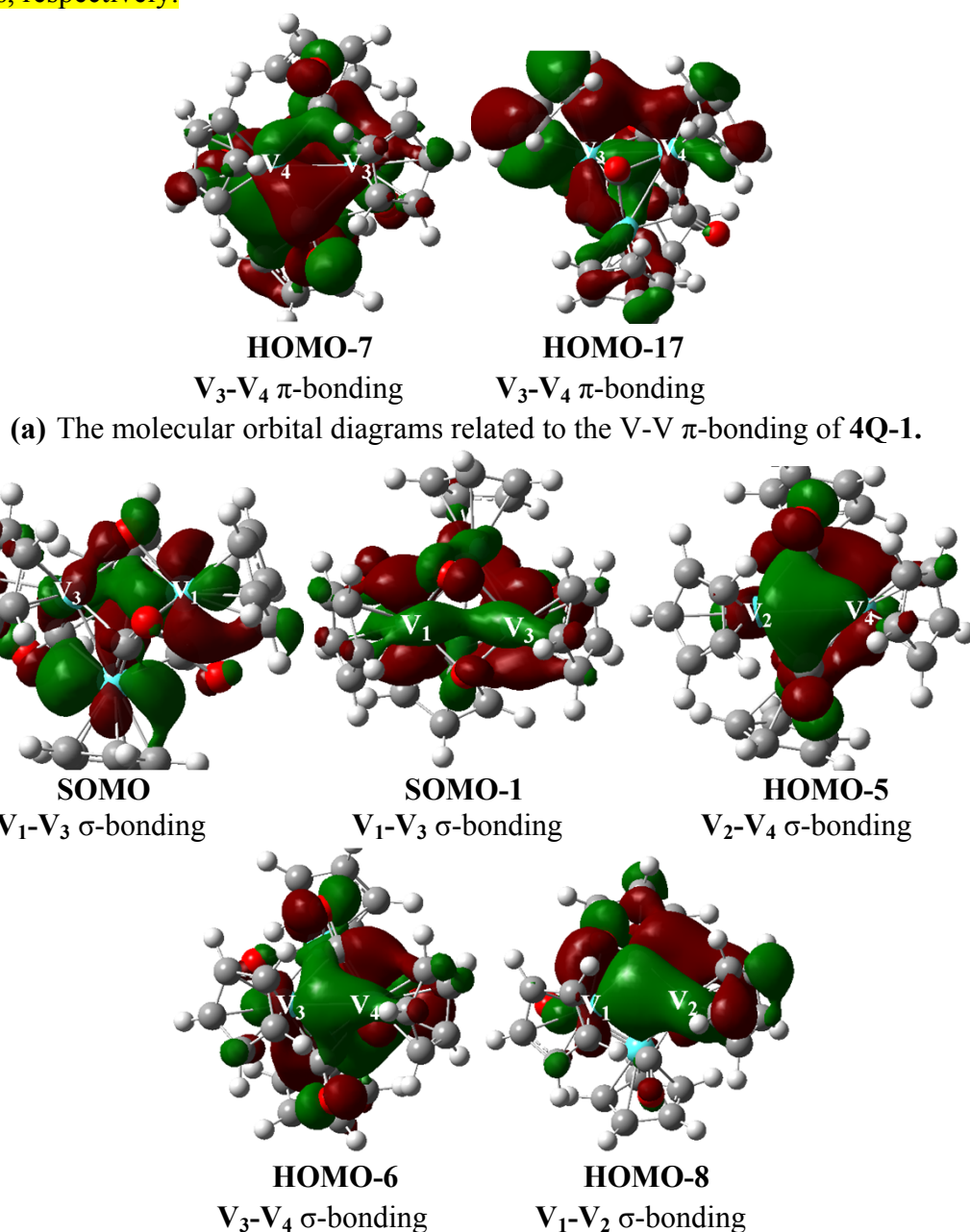
4T-3 has one short V_1-V_2 double bond with distance of 2.678 Å. The other five V-V single bonds are relatively long with distance of 2.910, 2.951, 2.951, 2.910 and 3.016 Å for V_1-V_3 , V_1-V_4 , V_2-V_3 , V_2-V_4 and V_3-V_4 , respectively. This leads to 16-electron configurations for two vanadium atoms and 15-electron configurations for another two vanadium atoms. The molecular orbital diagrams of **4T-3** are shown in Figure S12. The HOMO-3 and HOMO-8 orbitals can be assigned as π -bonding orbital and σ -bonding orbital of V_1-V_2 double bond, respectively. The HOMO-2, HOMO-4, HOMO-7, HOMO-6 and HOMO-5 orbitals are corresponding to σ -bonding orbitals of V_1-V_3 , V_1-V_4 , V_2-V_3 , V_2-V_4 and V_3-V_4 single bonds, respectively.

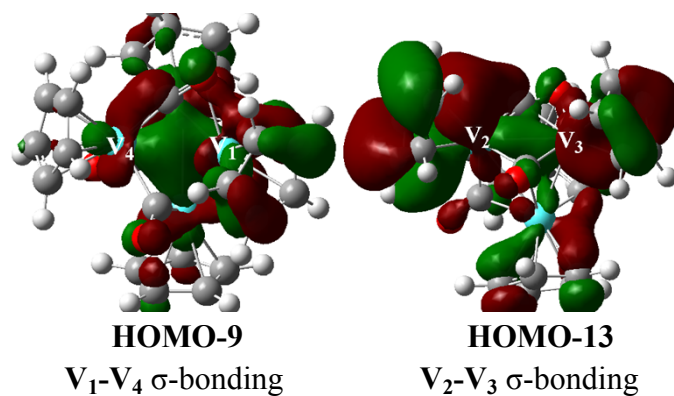


(b) The molecular orbital diagrams related to the V-V σ -bonding of **4T-3**

Figure S12. The comments and molecular orbital diagrams related to the V-V π -bonding orbitals (a) and V-V σ -bonding orbitals (b) of **4T-3**.

4Q-1 has one short V_3 - V_4 triple bond with distance of 2.572 Å. The other five V-V single bonds of **4Q-1** are relatively longer, namely, 2.964 Å for V_1 - V_2 , 2.932 Å for V_1 - V_3 , 2.975 Å for V_1 - V_4 , 2.727 Å for V_2 - V_3 and 2.907 Å for V_2 - V_4 . This leads to 17-electron configurations for two vanadium atoms and 15-electron configurations for another two vanadium atoms. The molecular orbital diagrams of **4Q-1** are shown in Figure S13. The HOMO-7, HOMO-17 and HOMO-6 orbitals can be assigned as two π -bonding orbitals and σ -bonding orbital of V_3 - V_4 triple bond, respectively. The SOMO and SOMO-1 orbitals are consistent with two half-filled σ -bonding orbitals of V_1 - V_3 single bond. The HOMO-8, HOMO-9, HOMO-13 and HOMO-5 orbitals are corresponding to the σ -bonding orbitals of V_1 - V_2 , V_1 - V_4 , V_2 - V_3 and V_2 - V_4 single bonds, respectively.

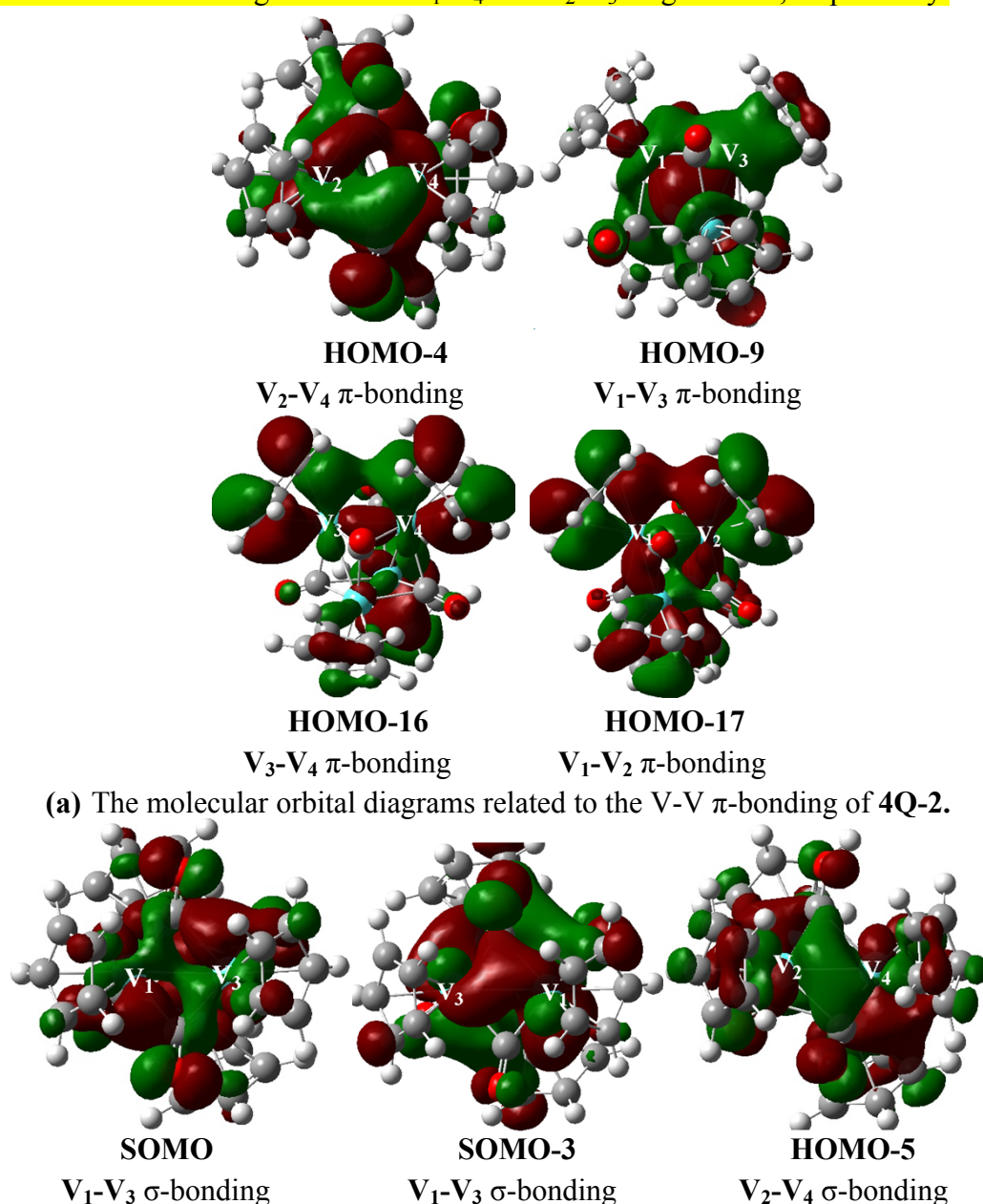


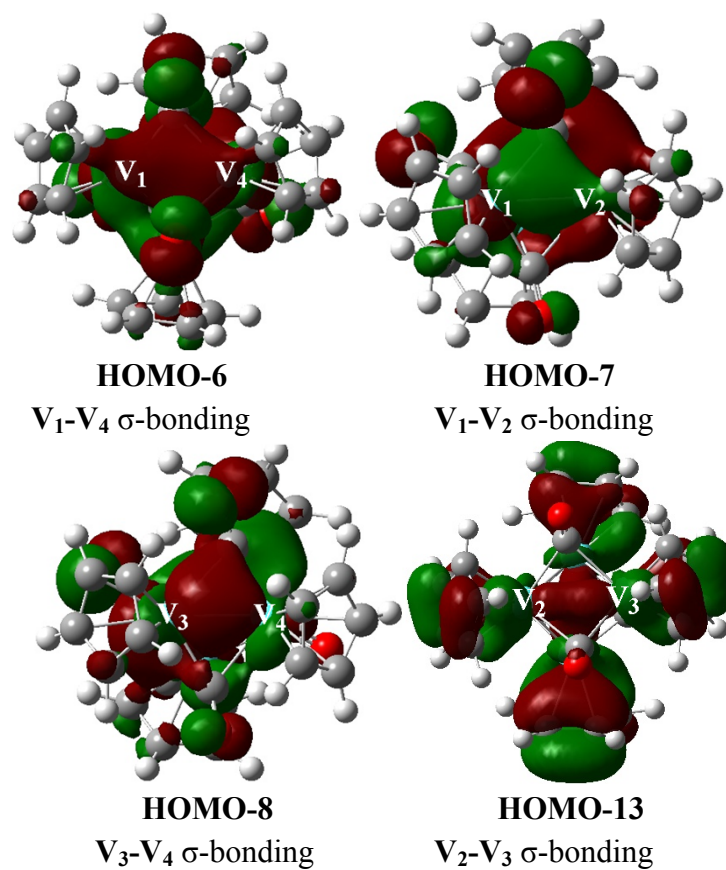


(b) The molecular orbital diagrams related to the V-V σ -bonding of 4Q-1.

Figure S13. The comments and molecular orbital diagrams related to the V-V π -bonding orbitals (a) and V-V σ -bonding orbitals (b) of 4Q-1.

4Q-2 has four short V-V double bonds, namely, 2.435 Å for V₁-V₂, 2.676 Å for V₁-V₃, 2.526 Å for V₂-V₄ and 2.439 Å for V₃-V₄. The distances for the other two V₁-V₄ and V₂-V₃ single bonds are 2.949 and 2.997 Å, respectively. This leads to 17-electron configuration for each vanadium atom. The molecular orbital diagrams of **4Q-2** are shown in Figure S14. The HOMO-17 and HOMO-7 orbitals are corresponding to π -bonding orbital and σ -bonding orbital of V₁-V₂ double bond, respectively. The HOMO-9, SOMO and SOMO-3 orbitals can be regarded as π -bonding orbital and two half-filled σ -bonding orbitals of V₁-V₃ double bond, respectively. The HOMO-4 and HOMO-5 orbitals can be assigned to π -bonding orbital and σ -bonding orbital of V₂-V₄ double bond, respectively. The HOMO-16 and HOMO-8 orbitals are corresponding to π -bonding orbital and σ -bonding orbital of V₃-V₄ double bond, respectively. The HOMO-6 and HOMO-13 orbitals can be considered as σ -bonding orbitals of V₁-V₄ and V₂-V₃ single bonds, respectively.





(b) The molecular orbital diagrams related to the V-V σ -bonding of 4Q-2.

Figure S14. The comments and molecular orbital diagrams related to the V-V π -bonding orbitals (a) and V-V σ -bonding orbitals (b) of 4Q-2.

9S-1 has three equal V-V single bonds, namely V₁-V₂, V₁-V₃ and V₂-V₃ with distance of 3.376 Å. This leads to 18-electron configuration for each vanadium atom. The molecular orbital diagrams of **9S-1** are shown in Figure S15. HOMO-2, HOMO-3, and HOMO-5 orbitals are consistent with σ -bonding orbitals of V₁-V₂, V₁-V₃ and V₂-V₃ single bonds, respectively.

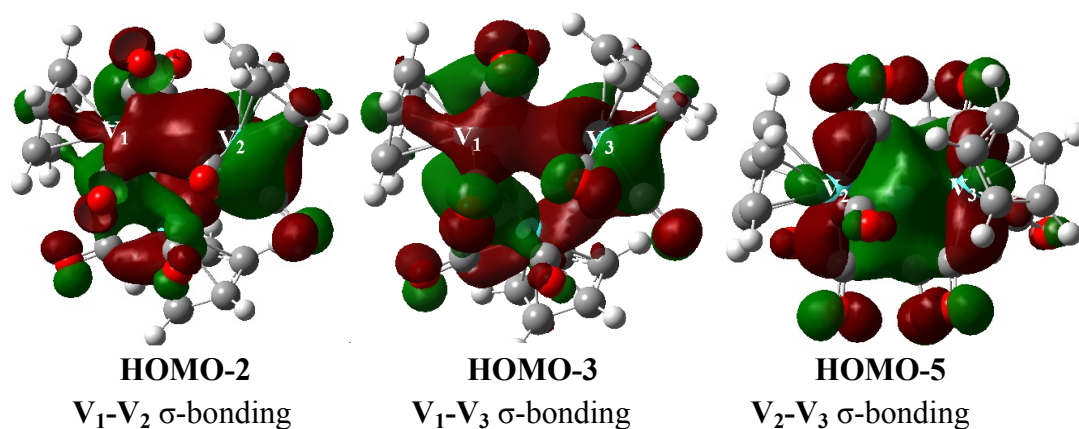


Figure S15. The comments and molecular orbital diagrams related to the V-V σ -bonding orbitals of **9S-1**.

Table S18. Theoretical cartesian coordinates (in Å) for the structure of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$ **4S-1** using the BP86 method.

Standard orientation:

Atomic Number	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
	X	Y	Z
6	-1.715736	0.111456	3.385156
6	-2.849004	0.675497	2.707010
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6	-3.472774	-0.376109	1.964922
1	-4.330381	-0.260827	1.298338
6	-1.639690	-1.277098	3.046026
1	-0.880963	-1.986058	3.385306
6	-2.726806	-1.583463	2.162719
1	-2.927810	-2.553498	1.701941
1	-1.032683	0.655504	4.040710
6	2.726806	1.583463	2.162719
6	1.639690	1.277098	3.046026
1	0.880963	1.986058	3.385306
6	1.715736	-0.111456	3.385156
1	1.032683	-0.655504	4.040710
6	3.472774	0.376109	1.964922
1	4.330381	0.260827	1.298338
6	2.849004	-0.675497	2.707010
1	3.172318	-1.718527	2.750457
1	2.927810	2.553498	1.701941
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6	1.583463	-2.726806	-2.162719
1	2.553498	-2.927810	-1.701941
6	0.376109	-3.472774	-1.964922

1	0.260827	-4.330381	-1.298338
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1	-1.718527	-3.172318	-2.750457
1	1.986058	-0.880963	-3.385306
6	0.675497	2.849004	-2.707010
6	0.111456	1.715736	-3.385156
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6	-1.277098	1.639690	-3.046026
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6	-1.583463	2.726806	-2.162719
1	-2.553498	2.927810	-1.701941
1	1.718527	3.172318	-2.750457
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23	-1.343007	-0.037873	1.089662
23	-0.037873	1.343007	-1.089662
23	0.037873	-1.343007	-1.089662
6	0.497026	-1.583463	0.944179
6	-0.497026	1.583463	0.944179
6	-1.583463	-0.497026	-0.944179
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8	-2.700687	0.011803	-0.677740
8	-0.011803	-2.700687	0.677740
8	2.700687	-0.011803	-0.677740

Table S19. Theoretical cartesian coordinates (in Å) for the structure of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$ **4S-2** using the BP86 method.

Standard orientation:

Atomic Number	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
	X	Y	Z
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6	0.295231	3.190159	1.988000
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6	2.580009	1.129327	-2.283682
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8	2.408427	0.328489	2.517951
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Table S20. Theoretical cartesian coordinates (in Å) for the structure of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$ **4S-3** using the BP86 method.

Standard orientation:			
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	X	Y	Z
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6	2.810337	-2.579483	0.535382
6	3.551811	-1.350182	0.625749
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6	-1.381336	1.167333	-1.177832
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6	0.868064	1.191502	1.299182
8	1.249853	1.754853	2.307712
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Table S21. Theoretical cartesian coordinates (in Å) for the structure of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$ **4S-4** using the BP86 method.

Standard orientation:			
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6	-0.715152	-2.017871	3.074966
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1	1.365107	-1.413084	3.711562
1	-1.365107	-1.413084	3.711562
1	-2.202373	-3.114304	1.778439
23	0.000000	1.220470	1.041788
6	-1.161657	2.918232	2.048221
6	-0.715152	2.017871	3.074966
6	0.715152	2.017871	3.074966
6	1.161657	2.918232	2.048221
6	0.000000	3.478820	1.422139
1	-2.202373	3.114304	1.778439
1	-1.365107	1.413084	3.711562
1	1.365107	1.413084	3.711562
1	2.202373	3.114304	1.778439
23	1.220470	0.000000	-1.041788
6	2.918232	1.161657	-2.048221
6	2.017871	0.715152	-3.074966
6	2.017871	-0.715152	-3.074966

6	2.918232	-1.161657	-2.048221
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1	1.413084	1.365107	-3.711562
1	1.413084	-1.365107	-3.711562
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6	-2.017871	0.715152	-3.074966
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6	-3.478820	0.000000	-1.422139
1	-3.114304	-2.202373	-1.778439
1	-1.413084	-1.365107	-3.711562
1	-1.413084	1.365107	-3.711562
1	-3.114304	2.202373	-1.778439
6	1.707368	0.000000	1.034556
8	2.785119	0.000000	1.618808
6	-1.707368	0.000000	1.034556
8	-2.785119	0.000000	1.618808
6	0.000000	-1.707368	-1.034556
8	0.000000	-2.785119	-1.618808
6	0.000000	1.707368	-1.034556
8	0.000000	2.785119	-1.618808
1	0.000000	4.164049	0.571279
1	-4.164049	0.000000	-0.571279
1	0.000000	-4.164049	0.571279
1	4.164049	0.000000	-0.571279

Table S22. Theoretical cartesian coordinates (in Å) for the structure of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$ **4S-5** using the BP86 method.

Standard orientation:			
Atomic Number	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
	X	Y	Z
23	0.870439	1.029864	0.858725
6	2.897161	1.466593	1.874688
6	2.611402	2.525053	0.956879
6	1.411284	3.183696	1.394793
6	0.963567	2.527931	2.592770
6	1.877605	1.467606	2.886455
1	3.714471	0.745956	1.794712
1	3.178266	2.761420	0.053279
1	0.928961	4.035061	0.908200
1	0.056930	2.768650	3.152863
23	-0.851604	1.049206	-0.881655
6	-2.892985	1.953432	-1.418506
6	-2.063569	3.004499	-0.903103
6	-0.939949	3.155416	-1.776285
6	-1.073773	2.198281	-2.842049
6	-2.282878	1.463197	-2.621576
1	-3.810054	1.576078	-0.958738
1	-2.237725	3.549105	0.027902
1	-0.108442	3.853014	-1.649798
1	-0.358670	2.043731	-3.653612
23	0.851604	-1.049206	-0.881655
6	2.282878	-1.463197	-2.621576
6	1.073773	-2.198281	-2.842049
6	0.939949	-3.155416	-1.776285

6	2.063569	-3.004499	-0.903103
6	2.892985	-1.953432	-1.418506
1	2.646454	-0.628106	-3.225131
1	0.358670	-2.043731	-3.653612
1	0.108442	-3.853014	-1.649798
1	2.237725	-3.549105	0.027902
23	-0.870439	-1.029864	0.858725
6	-1.877605	-1.467606	2.886455
6	-0.963567	-2.527931	2.592770
6	-1.411284	-3.183696	1.394793
6	-2.611402	-2.525053	0.956879
6	-2.897161	-1.466593	1.874688
1	-1.789392	-0.747265	3.703376
1	-0.056930	-2.768650	3.152863
1	-0.928961	-4.035061	0.908200
1	-3.178266	-2.761420	0.053279
6	1.204196	1.037018	-1.219330
8	1.989575	1.603098	-1.971909
6	-1.204196	1.054250	1.176465
8	-1.971855	1.627039	1.942801
6	1.204196	-1.054250	1.176465
8	1.971855	-1.627039	1.942801
6	-1.204196	-1.037018	-1.219330
8	-1.989575	-1.603098	-1.971909
1	-2.646454	0.628106	-3.225131
1	-3.714471	-0.745956	1.794712
1	1.789392	0.747265	3.703376
1	3.810054	-1.576078	-0.958738

Table S23. Theoretical cartesian coordinates (in Å) for the structure of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$ **4T-1** using the BP86 method.

Standard orientation:			
Atomic Number	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
	X	Y	Z
6	-2.168823	-2.313215	2.199218
6	-0.930432	-3.039384	2.075045
1	-0.777158	-3.951426	1.492686
6	0.059472	-2.352643	2.846015
1	1.115614	-2.619309	2.930353
6	-1.936114	-1.195861	3.068244
1	-2.664689	-0.421097	3.320135
6	-0.561566	-1.210018	3.457068
1	-0.057047	-0.473578	4.086533
1	-3.117127	-2.574768	1.721742
6	-2.104993	-0.682136	-3.059440
6	-2.809568	-1.322451	-1.980464
1	-2.761387	-2.384978	-1.732013
6	-3.560444	-0.327784	-1.281468
1	-4.185493	-0.487581	-0.399726
6	-2.443564	0.706873	-3.029752
1	-2.035461	1.477080	-3.689819
6	-3.324661	0.937725	-1.923531
1	-3.743010	1.899924	-1.617106
1	-1.431058	-1.172338	-3.766283
6	1.712714	3.502303	0.010441
6	0.355550	3.963294	0.154981
1	-0.223414	4.496514	-0.604721
6	-0.109657	3.568187	1.450657

1	-1.116395	3.723645	1.846969
6	2.072143	2.814657	1.208105
1	3.015786	2.304728	1.414054
6	0.942614	2.842496	2.094681
1	0.898011	2.374909	3.080643
1	2.338479	3.627593	-0.878012
6	3.015330	-1.683748	-2.286012
6	3.427010	-0.369726	-1.888065
1	3.524846	0.497279	-2.545919
6	3.622241	-0.379905	-0.468631
1	3.913568	0.467974	0.154039
6	3.013280	-2.517999	-1.113466
1	2.695190	-3.563296	-1.081658
6	3.376840	-1.717202	0.006363
1	3.421425	-2.032975	1.050766
1	2.742063	-1.996710	-3.297344
23	-1.318748	0.206240	-1.068920
23	-0.670828	-0.961983	1.152164
23	1.412329	-0.846324	-0.875458
23	0.298403	1.687479	0.186798
6	-1.761068	0.967398	0.643562
6	-0.390563	-1.859227	-0.428376
6	1.101518	-0.057775	1.382991
6	0.656328	0.634185	-1.644172
8	0.117784	-2.513379	-1.376505
8	2.051005	-0.015227	2.158125
8	-2.489816	1.465128	1.492485
8	-0.011577	1.737939	-1.839695

Table S24. Theoretical cartesian coordinates (in Å) for the structure of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$ **4T-2** using the BP86 method.

Atomic Number	Standard orientation:		
	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
	X	Y	Z
23	-0.051158	-1.359104	0.444823
23	-2.007485	-0.150380	-0.682669
23	1.863761	-0.287665	-0.606387
23	0.240175	1.283989	0.677108
6	-3.467358	1.502724	-1.444123
6	-3.851371	0.255981	-2.035035
1	-3.815056	0.014535	-3.101061
6	-4.227106	-0.637951	-0.983574
1	-4.572122	-1.667521	-1.102068
6	-3.590202	1.378906	-0.021616
1	-3.384958	2.156516	0.716372
6	-4.066577	0.057674	0.266804
1	-4.239840	-0.360121	1.262012
1	-3.105841	2.375413	-1.994971
6	1.545192	-2.960373	-0.153946
6	0.358873	-3.623758	0.298184
1	-0.282612	-4.267481	-0.307101
6	0.146228	-3.294550	1.682524
1	-0.687364	-3.645710	2.296006
6	2.039290	-2.163020	0.945626
1	3.014281	-1.658519	1.006257
6	1.163873	-2.380078	2.082579
1	1.281403	-1.913907	3.063649
1	2.022525	-3.106646	-1.126403

6	0.610784	3.325157	-0.352205
6	-0.770115	3.243038	0.015780
1	-1.612390	3.268408	-0.675767
6	-0.845341	3.151952	1.448921
1	-1.754527	3.076895	2.050509
6	1.387048	3.286039	0.848826
1	2.476102	3.330770	0.924064
6	0.486648	3.184796	1.964353
1	0.773778	3.119696	3.016609
1	0.993717	3.400156	-1.372460
6	2.771287	-0.403420	-2.724783
6	3.742287	-0.881609	-1.787623
1	4.142611	-1.899222	-1.736183
6	4.100053	0.204828	-0.915330
1	4.821011	0.165000	-0.093660
6	2.524125	0.979115	-2.434406
1	1.815942	1.618409	-2.966760
6	3.348974	1.355856	-1.324887
1	3.407850	2.348949	-0.876332
1	2.277351	-0.988758	-3.505519
6	0.064422	-0.059623	-1.199226
8	-0.779776	0.273042	-2.143698
6	1.735197	0.637147	1.646026
8	2.638295	0.427833	2.410615
6	-2.043574	-2.017392	-0.237499
8	-2.568458	-3.094125	-0.070800
6	-0.904138	0.271478	1.841107
8	-1.560637	-0.111961	2.779863

Table S25. Theoretical cartesian coordinates (in Å) for the structure of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$ **4T-3** using the BP86 method.

Atomic Number	Standard orientation:		
	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
	X	Y	Z
6	-3.353992	0.408300	-1.699930
6	-2.655158	1.144897	-2.716408
1	-2.691157	2.226389	-2.868920
6	-1.908593	0.202229	-3.492587
1	-1.230819	0.449996	-4.312948
6	-3.021017	-0.975251	-1.844354
1	-3.379650	-1.796823	-1.220295
6	-2.120665	-1.107429	-2.953910
1	-1.663804	-2.036245	-3.303723
1	-4.015259	0.838740	-0.944888
6	-2.120666	1.107422	2.953913
6	-3.021019	0.975241	1.844357
1	-3.379655	1.796813	1.220300
6	-3.353988	-0.408310	1.699932
1	-4.015255	-0.838751	0.944890
6	-1.908588	-0.202236	3.492588
1	-1.230813	-0.450000	4.312949
6	-2.655151	-1.144906	2.716409
1	-2.691146	-2.226398	2.868920
1	-1.663808	2.036239	3.303725
6	3.035748	-1.837096	0.901981
6	2.164717	-2.937890	1.196340
1	1.733550	-3.170098	2.172873
6	1.913844	-3.630466	-0.030510

1	1.235121	-4.477410	-0.157578
6	3.328795	-1.860438	-0.501778
1	3.968729	-1.157133	-1.039742
6	2.625026	-2.967175	-1.083573
1	2.618857	-3.242048	-2.141917
1	3.414102	-1.114826	1.628152
6	2.625014	2.967186	1.083571
6	3.328786	1.860452	0.501776
1	3.968724	1.157151	1.039740
6	3.035740	1.837109	-0.901983
1	3.414097	1.114841	-1.628155
6	1.913828	3.630473	0.030508
1	1.235101	4.477414	0.157576
6	2.164703	2.937898	-1.196342
1	1.733535	3.170105	-2.172875
1	2.618844	3.242060	2.141914
23	-1.065283	-0.190747	1.325538
23	-1.065286	0.190744	-1.325537
23	1.060947	1.485708	0.258858
23	1.060955	-1.485705	-0.258859
6	-0.965731	-1.653310	0.220998
6	-0.965741	1.653305	-0.220997
6	0.974556	-0.218458	-1.621346
6	0.974556	0.218460	1.621345
8	-0.737027	2.702926	0.439824
8	0.737644	0.491551	-2.620650
8	-0.737012	-2.702930	-0.439822
8	0.737649	-0.491550	2.620650

Table S26. Theoretical cartesian coordinates (in Å) for the structure of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$ **4T-4** using the BP86 method.

Atomic Number	Standard orientation:		
	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
	X	Y	Z
23	0.181742	-0.871792	1.251134
23	1.678973	0.340750	-0.354366
23	-1.070855	1.205020	0.153597
23	-0.875197	-0.956518	-0.980862
6	-1.439636	-2.162226	-2.472398
6	0.141937	-1.632110	3.114555
6	-2.334777	2.721421	0.105629
6	3.567895	0.839313	-0.747450
8	-1.836688	-2.838921	-3.352957
8	0.120601	-2.117787	4.187018
8	4.687982	1.118826	-0.982938
8	-3.088497	3.628014	0.108283
6	1.293301	-2.127471	-1.318451
6	2.536977	-1.573567	-0.790123
1	3.479058	-1.624633	-1.349022
6	2.440753	-1.733705	0.666674
1	3.283051	-1.559395	1.345265
6	0.546671	-2.745438	-0.224971
1	-0.192020	-3.540123	-0.375484
6	1.345541	-2.636296	0.996917
1	1.355503	-3.382731	1.797165
1	1.177209	-2.395451	-2.371342
6	0.087157	1.255364	2.330797
6	-0.146520	2.577042	1.743946

1	-0.894862	3.292020	2.096229
6	1.029874	2.937264	1.029861
1	1.167079	3.890995	0.508863
6	1.483291	0.864470	2.021675
1	2.106346	0.331213	2.750557
6	2.057077	1.944678	1.199135
1	3.116232	2.220593	1.217133
1	-0.428590	0.974887	3.253260
6	-3.016438	-0.105712	-0.247261
6	-2.758878	-1.554560	-0.260072
1	-3.355598	-2.291877	-0.806896
6	-2.073617	-1.825580	0.998565
1	-1.881764	-2.835680	1.376140
6	-2.825898	0.420007	1.119952
1	-3.539127	1.095559	1.608165
6	-2.153884	-0.655150	1.853594
1	-2.158200	-0.707149	2.946010
1	-3.706129	0.359148	-0.959986
6	1.231116	0.860824	-2.625372
6	1.000729	2.058064	-1.906897
1	1.740797	2.851751	-1.766298
6	-0.444508	2.233940	-1.680010
1	-0.888632	3.228459	-1.816219
6	-0.046570	0.199968	-2.863131
1	-0.206601	-0.439516	-3.736748
6	-1.079455	1.024076	-2.252371
1	-2.103384	1.026670	-2.640839
1	2.172387	0.574949	-3.106535

Table S27. Theoretical cartesian coordinates (in Å) for the structure of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$ **4Q-1** using the BP86 method.

Standard orientation:

Atomic Number	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
	X	Y	Z
23	-1.523915	-1.142916	-0.272777
23	-0.430379	1.604586	-0.476246
23	1.190850	-0.479020	-1.157761
23	0.794489	-0.272767	1.375385
6	0.085274	3.829600	-0.014225
6	-0.009816	3.634073	-1.433539
1	0.807178	3.742030	-2.152049
6	-1.361158	3.255022	-1.738691
1	-1.756792	3.030208	-2.732277
6	-1.194043	3.555318	0.557322
1	-1.443095	3.573256	1.620789
6	-2.090783	3.192578	-0.504434
1	-3.142519	2.916411	-0.392156
1	0.996810	4.087033	0.529948
6	2.567843	-0.879142	2.685686
6	2.345914	0.519051	2.902547
1	3.022810	1.326382	2.612883
6	1.044374	0.678207	3.473100
1	0.560945	1.625364	3.724624
6	1.403784	-1.592023	3.146379
1	1.263208	-2.675614	3.127549
6	0.464440	-0.628007	3.630178
1	-0.535796	-0.840900	4.015224
1	3.462770	-1.329312	2.246594

6	-3.639944	-0.944428	-1.159930
6	-3.674843	-0.442888	0.178663
1	-3.886854	0.584186	0.481285
6	-3.362512	-1.525517	1.073877
1	-3.291875	-1.452502	2.161632
6	-3.288601	-2.335629	-1.101221
1	-3.134089	-2.999208	-1.956411
6	-3.138844	-2.692093	0.280718
1	-2.819741	-3.668982	0.653440
1	-3.800546	-0.360776	-2.070666
6	2.102810	-2.064405	-2.561628
6	2.302990	-0.746281	-3.108510
1	1.850646	-0.359628	-4.026029
6	3.151402	-0.021180	-2.212709
1	3.483839	1.013947	-2.320160
6	2.832365	-2.150975	-1.337925
1	2.846847	-3.010661	-0.663139
6	3.467024	-0.888711	-1.107210
1	4.077048	-0.616224	-0.243523
1	1.464343	-2.844024	-2.984854
6	-0.674045	0.243673	-1.701544
8	-0.644917	-0.968055	-2.181716
6	-1.115473	0.642857	1.277541
8	-1.886663	0.984503	2.159353
6	1.662412	1.159994	-0.118965
8	2.556586	1.962176	0.131709
6	0.327628	-1.821028	0.468760
8	-0.273550	-2.845710	0.033658

Table S28. Theoretical cartesian coordinates (in Å) for the structure of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$ **4Q-2** using the BP86 method.

Standard orientation:			
Atomic Number	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
	X	Y	Z
23	1.048811	1.049647	-0.686028
6	1.233107	3.021874	-1.865223
6	2.010271	3.130660	-0.666672
6	3.055864	2.144329	-0.724813
6	2.917019	1.432308	-1.960890
6	1.790371	1.969734	-2.664814
1	0.340563	3.600943	-2.113275
1	1.833058	3.823733	0.159335
1	3.815832	1.972252	0.041511
1	3.526744	0.588213	-2.293733
23	1.154644	-0.952017	0.696693
6	2.482592	-2.821424	0.868196
6	3.344183	-1.670714	0.787006
6	3.098453	-0.854329	1.935116
6	2.083109	-1.490604	2.726638
6	1.713589	-2.710941	2.070177
1	2.418638	-3.624886	0.130215
1	4.043839	-1.455283	-0.024114
1	3.559917	0.111001	2.157214
1	1.649577	-1.099634	3.650957
23	-1.226673	0.868164	0.711386
6	-1.789412	2.848897	1.787763
6	-2.076753	1.761386	2.676023
6	-3.080405	0.944190	2.060081

6	-3.413629	1.522887	0.790159
6	-2.609781	2.702475	0.622293
1	-1.037742	3.624323	1.955208
1	-1.586750	1.567584	3.633763
1	-3.480613	0.013900	2.472256
1	-4.140122	1.135781	0.070983
23	-0.954840	-1.114359	-0.683474
6	-1.724392	-1.758224	-2.743660
6	-2.845002	-1.248693	-2.004399
6	-3.044530	-2.084688	-0.862778
6	-2.046305	-3.121969	-0.892209
6	-1.240145	-2.922304	-2.058571
1	-1.303542	-1.323627	-3.653727
1	-3.405894	-0.345048	-2.255161
1	-3.806419	-1.957301	-0.089428
1	-1.922862	-3.912119	-0.147220
6	0.817709	1.257282	1.292324
8	1.221798	1.771872	2.322721
6	1.215322	-1.152981	-1.238975
8	1.670552	-1.573778	-2.286817
6	-0.946396	1.058716	-1.328237
8	-1.519238	1.551986	-2.290636
6	-1.018098	-1.384489	1.220286
8	-1.363493	-1.849526	2.291520
1	0.931704	-3.398392	2.402677
1	-0.368176	-3.513279	-2.350486
1	1.397356	1.612799	-3.620318
1	-2.607200	3.351305	-0.257161

Table S29. Theoretical cartesian coordinates (in Å) for the structure of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$ **4Q-3** using the BP86 method.

Atomic Number	Standard orientation:		
	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
	X	Y	Z
23	-0.513917	1.152721	-0.996990
23	-1.448045	-0.247453	0.862547
23	1.448045	0.247453	0.862547
23	0.513917	-1.152721	-0.996990
6	0.697227	-2.793829	-2.109920
6	-0.697227	2.793829	-2.109920
6	3.074660	0.452788	1.983687
6	-3.074660	-0.452788	1.983687
8	0.872840	-3.750870	-2.777467
8	-0.872840	3.750870	-2.777467
8	-4.058184	-0.596633	2.618149
8	4.058184	0.596633	2.618149
6	-1.880896	-1.567841	-1.340937
6	-2.909952	-0.909914	-0.542325
1	-3.827388	-1.421327	-0.226563
6	-2.852069	0.504059	-0.954771
1	-3.615627	1.231039	-0.655629
6	-1.388072	-0.632201	-2.358581
1	-0.950994	-0.953530	-3.310464
6	-2.126605	0.623572	-2.225333
1	-2.434017	1.250375	-3.069006
1	-1.837957	-2.655496	-1.440315
6	-0.113978	2.852271	0.658254
6	0.872840	2.407319	1.630692

1	1.874208	2.836121	1.738829
6	0.215083	1.597137	2.595974
1	0.659661	1.241236	3.530597
6	-1.379437	2.277140	1.043043
1	-2.344637	2.661282	0.699309
6	-1.204852	1.528276	2.282256
1	-1.966391	1.464309	3.065638
1	0.005049	3.760782	0.062114
6	2.852069	-0.504059	-0.954771
6	2.126605	-0.623572	-2.225333
1	2.434017	-1.250375	-3.069006
6	1.388072	0.632201	-2.358581
1	0.950994	0.953530	-3.310464
6	2.909952	0.909914	-0.542325
1	3.827388	1.421327	-0.226563
6	1.880896	1.567841	-1.340937
1	1.837957	2.655496	-1.440315
1	3.615627	-1.231039	-0.655629
6	-0.872840	-2.407319	1.630692
6	-0.215083	-1.597137	2.595974
1	-0.659661	-1.241236	3.530597
6	1.204852	-1.528276	2.282256
1	1.966391	-1.464309	3.065638
6	0.113978	-2.852271	0.658254
1	-0.005049	-3.760782	0.062114
6	1.379437	-2.277140	1.043043
1	2.344637	-2.661282	0.699309
1	-1.874208	-2.836121	1.738829

Table S30. Theoretical cartesian coordinates (in Å) for the structure of $\text{Cp}_3\text{V}_3(\text{CO})_9$ **9S-1** using the BP86 method.

Standard orientation:

Atomic Number	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
	X	Y	Z
6	-0.324891	1.579705	1.873078
8	-0.492148	1.649100	3.034528
6	0.960278	1.234687	-1.584981
8	1.462848	1.252817	-2.660697
6	1.530510	-0.508489	1.873078
8	1.674237	-0.398337	3.034528
6	0.589131	-1.448969	-1.584981
8	0.353547	-1.893272	-2.660697
6	-1.549409	0.214282	-1.584981
8	-1.816395	0.640455	-2.660697
6	-1.205619	-1.071216	1.873078
8	-1.182089	-1.250763	3.034528
6	-2.858246	0.383801	0.647958
8	-3.676289	1.123675	1.075523
6	1.761505	2.283413	0.647958
8	2.811276	2.621922	1.075523
6	1.096741	-2.667214	0.647958
8	0.865013	-3.745597	1.075523
6	-3.614830	-1.776737	-0.889429
6	-2.541931	-2.340812	-1.661862
6	-3.486100	-2.259283	0.460580
1	-4.396447	-1.112587	-1.266331
6	-1.768249	-3.177037	-0.799171
1	-2.349717	-2.170536	-2.723423

6	-2.334426	-3.120943	0.511598
1	-4.153704	-2.032358	1.295588
1	-0.883278	-3.746970	-1.086676
1	-1.967188	-3.660745	1.387583
6	3.346114	-2.242166	-0.889429
6	3.298168	-1.030971	-1.661862
6	3.699646	-1.889410	0.460580
1	3.161752	-3.251141	-1.266331
6	3.635519	0.057170	-0.799171
1	3.054598	-0.949647	-2.723423
6	3.870029	-0.461201	0.511598
1	3.836926	-2.581034	1.295588
1	3.686610	1.108544	-1.086676
1	4.153892	0.126738	1.387583
6	0.268716	4.018903	-0.889429
6	-0.756237	3.371783	-1.661862
6	-0.213546	4.148693	0.460580
1	1.234695	4.363728	-1.266331
6	-1.867270	3.119867	-0.799171
1	-0.704881	3.120183	-2.723423
6	-1.535603	3.582144	0.511598
1	0.316778	4.613392	1.295588
1	-2.803332	2.638426	-1.086676
1	-2.186704	3.534007	1.387583
23	0.000000	1.949093	-0.023835
23	1.687964	-0.974547	-0.023835
23	-1.687964	-0.974547	-0.023835

Table S31. Theoretical cartesian coordinates (in Å) for the structure of $\text{Cp}_3\text{V}_3(\text{CO})_9$ **9S-2** using the BP86 method.

Standard orientation:

Atomic Number	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
	X	Y	Z
6	-1.159920	0.272073	-1.523628
6	-1.152607	0.301389	1.526681
6	2.213617	-2.240500	0.012458
6	-0.547929	-2.323735	1.332632
6	-0.546185	-2.358373	-1.310526
6	1.503931	-0.628077	-1.871578
6	1.515585	-0.602307	1.876253
6	0.592336	2.053257	-1.353338
6	0.602154	2.081977	1.347210
8	-1.434637	0.322954	-2.689822
8	-1.429829	0.322353	2.693131
8	2.428857	-3.398125	0.021591
8	-0.193163	-3.114998	2.130016
8	-0.181528	-3.167699	-2.084955
8	1.432409	-0.809160	-3.028540
8	1.448113	-0.769156	3.035440
8	1.236171	2.495411	-2.244621
8	1.263425	2.528621	2.223045
6	3.675300	0.825691	1.144287
6	4.187929	-0.448875	0.709579
6	3.370142	1.600951	-0.016149
1	3.560248	1.159947	2.177975
6	4.181839	-0.456068	-0.728178
1	4.536974	-1.255607	1.358803

6	3.665279	0.814014	-1.171337
1	2.965913	2.614212	-0.019368
1	4.525189	-1.269497	-1.372046
1	3.541059	1.137831	-2.207273
6	-1.634483	3.512362	1.106405
6	-1.054839	3.954350	-0.133024
6	-2.713513	2.627091	0.799697
1	-1.315007	3.804672	2.109433
6	-1.786324	3.333269	-1.206113
1	-0.221371	4.652581	-0.240646
6	-2.806635	2.516197	-0.625447
1	-3.350463	2.133687	1.536563
1	-1.599136	3.458036	-2.275161
1	-3.538386	1.928718	-1.182325
6	-3.176943	-2.160782	1.188639
6	-3.642408	-0.914896	0.668421
6	-2.868787	-3.018128	0.070012
1	-3.082897	-2.415681	2.246467
6	-3.630616	-0.992562	-0.763605
1	-3.955026	-0.058850	1.268248
6	-3.157454	-2.285643	-1.137519
1	-2.512276	-4.049092	0.127031
1	-3.928874	-0.209041	-1.461870
1	-3.048839	-2.653205	-2.160237
23	2.047698	-0.330284	-0.001273
23	-1.447418	-1.249708	-0.003776
23	-0.726909	1.708845	0.005098

Table S32. Theoretical cartesian coordinates (in Å) for the structure of $\text{Cp}_3\text{V}_3(\text{CO})_9$ **9S-3** using the BP86 method.

Standard orientation:

Atomic Number	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
	X	Y	Z
6	1.481823	-0.639706	0.000000
6	-1.368846	-1.698665	0.000000
6	-1.006131	2.755818	1.371235
6	-1.662685	-0.500659	2.221793
6	0.629592	0.519490	2.469702
6	-1.006131	2.755818	-1.371235
6	-1.705624	1.024175	0.000000
6	0.629592	0.519490	-2.469702
6	-1.662685	-0.500659	-2.221793
8	2.688727	-0.583328	0.000000
8	-2.369668	-2.352526	0.000000
8	-1.669716	3.294185	2.179869
8	-2.672500	-0.255595	2.774033
8	0.988347	1.246122	3.337203
8	-1.669716	3.294185	-2.179869
8	-2.879532	0.885293	0.000000
8	0.988347	1.246122	-3.337203
8	-2.672500	-0.255595	-2.774033
6	-0.519479	-2.824388	-2.899746
6	0.361793	-1.933994	-3.606098
6	0.206014	-3.371797	-1.797576
1	-1.555959	-3.051948	-3.159803
6	1.633847	-1.939032	-2.928430
1	0.114724	-1.365848	-4.505919

6	1.532877	-2.829856	-1.817084
1	-0.190354	-4.091610	-1.079492
1	2.524244	-1.377749	-3.220266
1	2.337234	-3.055924	-1.115861
6	-0.519479	-2.824388	2.899746
6	0.206014	-3.371797	1.797576
6	0.361793	-1.933994	3.606098
1	-1.555959	-3.051948	3.159803
6	1.532877	-2.829856	1.817084
1	-0.190354	-4.091610	1.079492
6	1.633847	-1.939032	2.928430
1	0.114724	-1.365848	4.505919
1	2.337234	-3.055924	1.115861
1	2.524244	-1.377749	3.220266
6	2.282235	2.264672	-0.714282
6	1.483088	3.362989	-1.163360
6	2.282235	2.264672	0.714282
1	2.809735	1.549399	-1.345403
6	0.982782	4.055232	0.000000
1	1.310285	3.639195	-2.205585
6	1.483088	3.362989	1.163360
1	2.809735	1.549399	1.345403
1	0.368634	4.958932	0.000000
1	1.310285	3.639195	2.205585
23	0.040333	-1.068569	-1.528849
23	0.040333	-1.068569	1.528849
23	0.069013	1.959486	0.000000

Table S33. Theoretical harmonic vibrational frequencies (in cm^{-1}) for the five singlet structures of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$ by the BP86 method (infrared intensities in parentheses are in km/mol).

4S-1	4S-2	4S-3	4S-4	4S-5
51.1 (e, 0.0)	39.8 (a, 0.1)	26.6 (a, 0.1)	9.0 (b ₁ , 0.0)	41.7 (a, 0.0)
51.1 (e, 0.0)	44.2 (a, 0.1)	36.2 (a, 0.5)	16.0 (e, 0.0)	48.6 (b, 0.0)
54.8 (b, 0.1)	56.4 (a, 0.8)	42.8 (a, 0.3)	16.0 (e, 0.0)	52.0 (a, 0.0)
75.3 (a, 0.0)	58.3 (a, 0.4)	45.9 (a, 0.1)	16.8 (a ₂ , 0.0)	56.7 (a, 0.0)
83.8 (b, 0.0)	69.7 (a, 0.4)	56.2 (a, 0.4)	47.2 (b ₁ , 0.0)	61.7 (b, 0.0)
84.7 (e, 1.0)	74.4 (a, 0.1)	61.4 (a, 0.4)	59.5 (a ₁ , 0.0)	62.4 (a, 0.0)
84.7 (e, 1.0)	85.2 (a, 0.5)	66.1 (a, 0.0)	76.9 (e, 1.5)	75.4 (a, 1.1)
89.5 (a, 0.0)	95.3 (a, 0.5)	74.2 (a, 2.2)	76.9 (e, 1.5)	79.3 (b, 0.5)
116.4 (a, 0.0)	107.1 (a, 0.1)	80.1 (a, 0.2)	84.9 (b ₂ , 0.1)	85.8 (b, 0.1)
119.1 (b, 0.2)	112.2 (a, 0.2)	89.0 (a, 1.3)	105.2 (a ₂ , 0.0)	118.8 (a, 0.4)
147.4 (e, 1.0)	112.5 (a, 0.4)	111.6 (a, 3.7)	110.8 (e, 1.9)	123.8 (b, 1.2)
147.4 (e, 1.0)	121.7 (a, 0.5)	121.4 (a, 1.2)	110.8 (e, 1.9)	132.1 (b, 0.2)
157.1 (e, 0.1)	127.0 (a, 0.2)	125.1 (a, 0.3)	129.6 (b ₁ , 0.0)	133.1 (a, 2.6)
157.1 (e, 0.1)	135.3 (a, 0.1)	127.7 (a, 1.3)	141.6 (e, 1.0)	140.0 (b, 1.3)
163.3 (b, 0.0)	147.5 (a, 0.6)	131.3 (a, 1.5)	141.6 (e, 1.0)	149.0 (a, 0.0)
168.0 (a, 0.0)	149.2 (a, 0.2)	149.9 (a, 1.1)	171.0 (a ₁ , 0.0)	171.5 (a, 0.3)
180.1 (b, 0.3)	159.2 (a, 0.2)	154.7 (a, 0.6)	187.7 (e, 3.0)	190.3 (a, 0.1)
198.0 (a, 0.0)	169.0 (a, 0.2)	157.2 (a, 0.0)	187.7 (e, 3.0)	194.0 (b, 4.6)
199.5 (e, 3.1)	174.7 (a, 0.5)	164.7 (a, 1.6)	190.5 (a ₂ , 0.0)	196.4 (b, 2.4)
199.5 (e, 3.1)	184.3 (a, 2.5)	171.2 (a, 5.4)	192.2 (a ₁ , 0.0)	198.2 (a, 3.1)
218.7 (a, 0.0)	194.5 (a, 1.0)	185.4 (a, 0.8)	195.7 (b ₂ , 7.2)	201.0 (b, 2.0)
219.4 (b, 2.5)	202.2 (a, 1.1)	189.6 (a, 0.9)	209.8 (b ₂ , 0.7)	205.3 (b, 0.6)
241.5 (a, 0.0)	217.1 (a, 2.9)	196.7 (a, 2.8)	220.5 (e, 0.2)	221.2 (b, 0.1)
247.4 (e, 1.2)	229.4 (a, 0.2)	216.4 (a, 4.0)	220.5 (e, 0.2)	224.5 (a, 0.1)
247.4 (e, 1.2)	249.2 (a, 0.4)	218.9 (a, 3.1)	225.9 (b ₁ , 0.0)	231.9 (a, 0.2)
250.1 (b, 10.2)	288.9 (a, 2.4)	228.8 (a, 1.4)	247.3 (a ₁ , 0.0)	237.1 (a, 0.0)
288.2 (e, 2.9)	291.1 (a, 3.8)	282.6 (a, 1.0)	273.7 (a ₂ , 0.0)	270.0 (b, 1.0)
288.2 (e, 2.9)	293.4 (a, 4.5)	295.2 (a, 3.5)	275.7 (e, 0.8)	275.3 (b, 0.2)
293.1 (a, 0.0)	303.5 (a, 1.1)	298.1 (a, 1.7)	275.7 (e, 0.8)	276.1 (a, 0.4)
296.5 (b, 2.2)	305.8 (a, 0.9)	303.9 (a, 2.8)	296.3 (b ₂ , 2.8)	298.8 (a, 11.9)
308.7 (e, 1.2)	316.7 (a, 0.5)	308.2 (a, 6.6)	302.6 (e, 4.0)	299.4 (b, 7.0)
308.7 (e, 1.2)	326.8 (a, 7.7)	312.5 (a, 2.2)	302.6 (e, 4.0)	303.9 (b, 4.7)
319.8 (b, 5.3)	343.3 (a, 1.5)	316.6 (a, 1.2)	316.4 (a ₁ , 0.0)	318.9 (a, 0.0)
323.7 (a, 0.0)	347.2 (a, 1.7)	321.5 (a, 0.4)	325.6 (e, 1.6)	324.0 (b, 0.0)
348.4 (b, 12.6)	370.3 (a, 2.1)	335.8 (a, 0.2)	325.6 (e, 1.6)	329.4 (a, 0.0)
376.7 (e, 3.0)	386.9 (a, 0.2)	356.2 (a, 2.2)	348.8 (b ₁ , 0.0)	336.9 (b, 0.1)
376.7 (e, 3.0)	401.3 (a, 11.6)	386.3 (a, 2.2)	350.0 (a ₂ , 0.0)	337.9 (a, 0.0)
398.2 (a, 0.0)	406.4 (a, 17.9)	391.0 (a, 2.9)	371.2 (a ₁ , 0.0)	372.9 (a, 0.0)
432.0 (e, 2.4)	433.0 (a, 4.3)	398.6 (a, 2.2)	379.2 (b ₂ , 7.1)	376.3 (b, 5.7)
432.0 (e, 2.4)	445.2 (a, 2.8)	417.6 (a, 2.1)	393.1 (e, 0.1)	398.1 (b, 0.2)
444.4 (a, 0.0)	454.6 (a, 6.0)	443.2 (a, 10.1)	393.1 (e, 0.1)	400.2 (a, 0.0)
450.4 (b, 0.0)	478.7 (a, 6.3)	455.2 (a, 0.6)	421.7 (a ₁ , 0.0)	429.8 (a, 0.1)
557.1 (a, 0.0)	484.2 (a, 22.3)	470.1 (a, 13.1)	450.1 (e, 0.7)	443.4 (b, 1.4)
564.1 (b, 0.8)	492.6 (a, 32.6)	477.6 (a, 12.7)	450.1 (e, 0.7)	444.9 (a, 0.6)
564.9 (e, 15.5)	505.7 (a, 1.3)	483.1 (a, 0.8)	458.4 (e, 1.2)	456.2 (b, 0.4)
564.9 (e, 15.5)	511.4 (a, 11.4)	494.8 (a, 17.9)	458.4 (e, 1.2)	457.6 (a, 1.2)

576.2 (e, 5.3)	523.4 (a, 3.4)	509.8 (a, 9.2)	459.7 (b ₁ , 0.0)	458.9 (b, 1.5)
576.2 (e, 5.3)	530.8 (a, 4.9)	523.5 (a, 10.7)	460.6 (b ₂ , 0.1)	461.2 (a, 0.8)
577.0 (a, 0.0)	562.9 (a, 0.6)	543.4 (a, 15.2)	474.0 (a ₁ , 0.0)	469.4 (a, 0.0)
577.7 (b, 7.5)	567.0 (a, 0.8)	570.7 (a, 0.5)	478.2 (b ₂ , 48.6)	482.0 (b, 54.4)
580.4 (b, 3.7)	567.3 (a, 0.5)	572.9 (a, 0.4)	573.4 (b ₂ , 1.6)	568.9 (b, 0.2)
582.5 (a, 0.0)	571.0 (a, 0.2)	573.4 (a, 0.8)	573.6 (a ₁ , 0.0)	569.8 (a, 0.1)
584.2 (e, 9.3)	572.5 (a, 0.3)	576.1 (a, 0.8)	574.5 (e, 0.1)	574.7 (b, 2.0)
584.2 (e, 9.3)	575.5 (a, 0.3)	576.6 (a, 1.5)	574.5 (e, 0.1)	574.8 (a, 0.7)
623.3 (a, 0.0)	576.6 (a, 0.5)	577.4 (a, 0.3)	574.8 (e, 2.0)	575.8 (a, 0.0)
637.4 (e, 3.8)	580.8 (a, 3.8)	579.3 (a, 1.7)	574.8 (e, 2.0)	576.7 (b, 0.3)
637.4 (e, 3.8)	586.4 (a, 3.6)	580.1 (a, 2.7)	575.0 (a ₂ , 0.0)	577.7 (a, 0.5)
654.9 (b, 17.0)	616.3 (a, 3.8)	581.6 (a, 1.0)	576.2 (b ₁ , 0.0)	577.9 (b, 0.2)
768.1 (a, 0.0)	719.8 (a, 37.8)	768.7 (a, 74.9)	777.4 (a ₂ , 0.0)	773.4 (a, 8.2)
768.4 (e, 73.1)	740.7 (a, 25.8)	772.1 (a, 65.1)	778.4 (e, 84.4)	773.4 (b, 79.4)
768.4 (e, 73.1)	749.5 (a, 19.4)	776.5 (a, 86.0)	778.4 (e, 84.4)	774.3 (b, 40.8)
768.7 (b, 25.1)	753.5 (a, 13.0)	783.0 (a, 22.8)	778.7 (b ₂ , 120.1)	777.5 (a, 124.7)
772.8 (e, 39.9)	768.2 (a, 15.1)	784.4 (a, 13.7)	783.3 (e, 87.2)	778.6 (b, 122.8)
772.8 (e, 39.9)	777.8 (a, 29.9)	787.2 (a, 44.1)	783.3 (e, 87.2)	781.9 (a, 9.6)
781.1 (b, 273.6)	780.1 (a, 136.0)	792.2 (a, 68.6)	783.6 (b ₁ , 0.0)	792.9 (a, 35.5)
783.6 (a, 0.0)	782.9 (a, 25.5)	792.5 (a, 21.8)	785.4 (a ₁ , 0.0)	793.7 (b, 108.4)
795.3 (e, 23.5)	788.9 (a, 58.3)	793.5 (a, 14.1)	801.5 (e, 1.2)	795.2 (b, 31.4)
795.3 (e, 23.5)	791.2 (a, 11.0)	794.8 (a, 45.9)	801.5 (e, 1.2)	797.5 (a, 7.0)
804.3 (a, 0.0)	794.9 (a, 38.7)	804.8 (a, 72.6)	811.1 (b ₂ , 96.6)	801.3 (a, 9.9)
804.5 (b, 28.3)	795.4 (a, 16.8)	814.0 (a, 14.2)	811.5 (a ₁ , 0.0)	801.4 (b, 22.8)
818.1 (b, 3.2)	803.2 (a, 50.4)	815.6 (a, 3.6)	815.0 (a ₂ , 0.0)	818.0 (b, 1.9)
818.2 (e, 0.1)	806.9 (a, 2.0)	816.4 (a, 0.4)	816.5 (b ₁ , 0.0)	818.0 (a, 0.2)
818.2 (e, 0.1)	811.6 (a, 2.0)	817.5 (a, 0.8)	818.2 (e, 4.5)	818.3 (b, 1.9)
818.2 (a, 0.0)	814.4 (a, 1.6)	818.4 (a, 27.9)	818.2 (e, 4.5)	818.7 (a, 0.6)
819.3 (e, 1.6)	815.2 (a, 0.1)	818.6 (a, 4.1)	819.3 (e, 0.2)	819.4 (a, 2.7)
819.3 (e, 1.6)	816.0 (a, 0.1)	819.0 (a, 8.0)	819.3 (e, 0.2)	820.0 (b, 7.7)
819.3 (a, 0.0)	816.9 (a, 1.5)	819.8 (a, 5.1)	819.4 (b ₂ , 23.8)	820.1 (b, 5.3)
819.6 (b, 6.2)	818.1 (a, 0.4)	820.3 (a, 15.7)	820.4 (a ₁ , 0.0)	820.9 (a, 0.0)
855.6 (a, 0.0)	830.7 (a, 4.0)	851.0 (a, 0.4)	862.1 (e, 13.5)	862.0 (b, 0.5)
855.9 (b, 4.5)	835.8 (a, 0.5)	855.7 (a, 0.4)	862.1 (e, 13.5)	862.2 (a, 1.3)
867.7 (e, 2.1)	848.1 (a, 0.7)	861.5 (a, 3.3)	863.3 (b ₂ , 9.7)	863.7 (a, 1.9)
867.7 (e, 2.1)	859.7 (a, 2.3)	862.9 (a, 0.3)	864.4 (a ₁ , 0.0)	864.6 (b, 4.3)
869.5 (e, 7.5)	860.7 (a, 0.6)	869.9 (a, 1.9)	870.1 (a ₂ , 0.0)	866.0 (a, 1.6)
869.5 (e, 7.5)	866.3 (a, 0.7)	870.7 (a, 4.7)	870.6 (b ₁ , 0.0)	866.3 (b, 8.9)
870.9 (a, 0.0)	867.7 (a, 2.9)	878.9 (a, 1.1)	878.1 (e, 2.4)	871.4 (a, 0.3)
870.9 (b, 4.2)	876.1 (a, 0.5)	879.9 (a, 0.2)	878.1 (e, 2.4)	871.6 (b, 5.6)
998.7 (e, 10.8)	968.4 (a, 7.0)	991.0 (a, 6.6)	994.7 (e, 8.4)	995.4 (a, 3.0)
998.7 (e, 10.8)	980.8 (a, 11.6)	991.9 (a, 4.9)	994.7 (e, 8.4)	996.1 (b, 11.9)
999.8 (a, 0.0)	989.7 (a, 8.8)	992.2 (a, 8.0)	995.6 (b ₂ , 7.5)	996.9 (a, 11.6)
999.9 (b, 4.3)	993.8 (a, 12.0)	994.2 (a, 5.1)	996.2 (a ₁ , 0.0)	997.6 (b, 5.3)
1003.4 (e, 17.8)	997.1 (a, 4.6)	996.0 (a, 5.6)	997.6 (a ₂ , 0.0)	998.1 (b, 6.4)
1003.4 (e, 17.8)	1004.0 (a, 5.5)	997.9 (a, 8.9)	998.3 (b ₁ , 0.0)	998.3 (a, 5.4)
1008.2 (a, 0.0)	1004.8 (a, 3.3)	999.3 (a, 8.0)	999.0 (e, 10.0)	1002.0 (a, 0.3)
1008.2 (b, 0.1)	1009.7 (a, 8.5)	1003.4 (a, 2.4)	999.0 (e, 10.0)	1002.3 (b, 5.7)
1045.6 (e, 0.3)	1027.2 (a, 3.1)	1037.9 (a, 0.7)	1043.2 (e, 0.6)	1043.6 (a, 1.4)
1045.6 (e, 0.3)	1040.0 (a, 2.4)	1039.3 (a, 0.8)	1043.2 (e, 0.6)	1043.8 (b, 0.8)
1047.9 (a, 0.0)	1041.8 (a, 5.9)	1040.8 (a, 1.3)	1043.9 (a ₂ , 0.0)	1044.9 (b, 0.3)
1048.4 (b, 0.2)	1043.5 (a, 1.2)	1041.2 (a, 0.7)	1045.1 (b ₁ , 0.0)	1045.3 (a, 2.0)
1049.3 (e, 1.9)	1045.7 (a, 0.3)	1044.0 (a, 0.4)	1045.6 (e, 2.5)	1046.4 (a, 0.6)

1049.3 (e, 1.9)	1047.4 (a, 1.2)	1045.8 (a, 1.2)	1045.6 (e, 2.5)	1046.7 (b, 2.9)
1053.7 (a, 0.0)	1051.5 (a, 2.9)	1047.2 (a, 0.6)	1049.3 (b ₂ , 0.3)	1050.5 (a, 0.0)
1054.4 (b, 6.8)	1055.6 (a, 2.1)	1050.3 (a, 0.6)	1049.5 (a ₁ , 0.0)	1050.9 (b, 1.0)
1116.9 (e, 0.6)	1088.9 (a, 9.4)	1110.8 (a, 1.8)	1113.1 (e, 1.6)	1113.6 (b, 1.6)
1116.9 (e, 0.6)	1114.5 (a, 2.9)	1111.9 (a, 2.6)	1113.1 (e, 1.6)	1113.6 (a, 1.7)
1118.4 (a, 0.0)	1116.1 (a, 3.9)	1112.7 (a, 1.8)	1113.5 (b ₂ , 4.4)	1113.8 (b, 3.5)
1118.4 (b, 4.6)	1119.0 (a, 4.9)	1114.2 (a, 1.1)	1113.7 (a ₁ , 0.0)	1113.9 (a, 0.0)
1228.0 (e, 0.0)	1212.5 (a, 0.1)	1219.8 (a, 0.0)	1223.7 (a ₂ , 0.0)	1224.2 (a, 0.0)
1228.0 (e, 0.0)	1225.8 (a, 0.1)	1222.1 (a, 0.0)	1224.2 (b ₁ , 0.0)	1224.3 (b, 0.0)
1231.4 (a, 0.0)	1226.1 (a, 0.1)	1222.7 (a, 0.0)	1225.6 (e, 0.0)	1227.9 (a, 0.0)
1231.6 (b, 0.0)	1228.9 (a, 0.1)	1225.9 (a, 0.0)	1225.6 (e, 0.0)	1228.3 (b, 0.1)
1365.7 (a, 0.0)	1318.3 (a, 64.6)	1358.6 (a, 0.7)	1364.4 (a ₂ , 0.0)	1364.3 (a, 0.1)
1365.8 (e, 3.4)	1336.4 (a, 2.8)	1362.4 (a, 1.4)	1364.4 (b ₁ , 0.0)	1364.3 (b, 0.1)
1365.8 (e, 3.4)	1342.5 (a, 1.0)	1363.5 (a, 1.1)	1367.6 (b ₂ , 1.4)	1366.5 (a, 0.1)
1366.5 (b, 0.0)	1366.7 (a, 0.6)	1364.1 (a, 0.7)	1367.9 (e, 0.3)	1367.1 (b, 0.3)
1372.6 (b, 0.4)	1370.8 (a, 0.6)	1369.0 (a, 0.3)	1367.9 (e, 0.3)	1368.2 (a, 0.4)
1372.7 (a, 0.0)	1371.0 (a, 0.1)	1370.3 (a, 1.1)	1368.3 (e, 1.0)	1368.5 (b, 1.8)
1373.4 (e, 3.0)	1374.5 (a, 0.7)	1370.8 (a, 0.7)	1368.3 (e, 1.0)	1371.4 (a, 0.2)
1373.4 (e, 3.0)	1375.4 (a, 0.2)	1371.8 (a, 1.3)	1368.8 (a ₁ , 0.0)	1371.6 (b, 0.9)
1417.6 (e, 2.7)	1379.7 (a, 0.2)	1409.8 (a, 2.6)	1412.5 (a ₂ , 0.0)	1413.8 (a, 0.8)
1417.6 (e, 2.7)	1389.0 (a, 1.1)	1411.3 (a, 1.9)	1412.9 (b ₁ , 0.0)	1413.9 (b, 4.2)
1418.5 (a, 0.0)	1403.5 (a, 2.7)	1411.7 (a, 1.9)	1413.9 (e, 5.7)	1414.7 (b, 1.6)
1418.6 (b, 3.6)	1411.8 (a, 1.4)	1413.3 (a, 1.6)	1413.9 (e, 5.7)	1414.9 (a, 2.2)
1420.8 (e, 3.1)	1413.0 (a, 2.1)	1414.5 (a, 1.8)	1415.8 (e, 0.6)	1418.4 (a, 1.0)
1420.8 (e, 3.1)	1414.3 (a, 1.7)	1418.6 (a, 1.6)	1415.8 (e, 0.6)	1418.5 (b, 2.8)
1423.1 (a, 0.0)	1419.2 (a, 1.2)	1419.4 (a, 1.9)	1417.2 (b ₂ , 6.8)	1419.5 (b, 0.8)
1423.2 (b, 0.8)	1422.7 (a, 1.7)	1427.0 (a, 2.8)	1417.7 (a ₁ , 0.0)	1419.9 (a, 0.4)
1538.0 (b,24.1)	1423.7 (a, 2.9)	1669.8(a,607.4)	1617.7 (e,670.9)	1615.0(b,671.6)
1539.7(e,260.8)	1711.5(a,305.3)	1686.9(a,229.1)	1617.7 (e,670.9)	1615.2(a,662.4)
1539.7(e,260.8)	1742.4(a,774.8)	1705.1(a,464.7)	1630.6(b ₂ ,212.2)	1628.0(b,219.1)
1545.9 (a, 0.0)	1779.8(a,513.7)	1716.5(a,243.8)	1647.0 (a ₁ , 0.0)	1644.7 (a, 0.3)
3170.9 (e, 0.1)	3134.3 (a, 4.2)	3161.5 (a, 0.1)	3170.3 (a ₂ , 0.0)	3169.7 (b, 1.2)
3170.9 (e, 0.1)	3149.1 (a, 0.4)	3166.5 (a, 0.4)	3170.6 (b ₁ , 0.0)	3169.7 (a, 0.5)
3171.1 (a, 0.0)	3160.3 (a, 0.7)	3167.4 (a, 0.5)	3171.2 (e, 0.0)	3171.1 (b, 0.5)
3171.1 (b, 0.1)	3163.8 (a, 0.1)	3168.1 (a, 0.4)	3171.2 (e, 0.0)	3171.1 (a, 0.1)
3173.2 (e, 0.2)	3167.3 (a, 0.1)	3168.3 (a, 0.5)	3171.7 (e, 0.1)	3171.6 (b, 0.2)
3173.2 (e, 0.2)	3168.6 (a, 0.7)	3170.0 (a, 0.1)	3171.7 (e, 0.1)	3171.8 (a, 0.2)
3173.8 (a, 0.0)	3169.8 (a, 0.5)	3170.7 (a, 0.1)	3171.9 (b ₂ , 2.9)	3172.3 (b, 0.7)
3173.8 (b, 0.1)	3170.2 (a, 0.8)	3172.5 (a, 0.4)	3172.2 (a ₁ , 0.0)	3172.4 (a, 0.2)
3184.4 (e, 0.7)	3170.4 (a, 0.6)	3179.6 (a, 0.3)	3182.0 (a ₂ , 0.0)	3182.1 (b, 0.5)
3184.4 (e, 0.7)	3171.2 (a, 2.1)	3180.9 (a, 0.5)	3182.3 (b ₁ , 0.0)	3182.2 (a, 0.1)
3184.8 (a, 0.0)	3177.7 (a, 0.5)	3181.9 (a, 0.8)	3182.5 (e, 0.0)	3183.1 (b, 0.0)
3184.8 (b, 1.5)	3179.8 (a, 2.5)	3182.0 (a, 0.4)	3182.5 (e, 0.0)	3183.1 (a, 0.0)
3187.1 (a, 0.0)	3182.0 (a, 0.1)	3182.3 (a, 0.6)	3185.7 (e, 0.1)	3185.7 (b, 0.1)
3187.2 (b, 2.6)	3183.9 (a, 0.8)	3182.4 (a, 1.0)	3185.7 (e, 0.1)	3185.8 (a, 0.0)
3187.5 (e, 0.5)	3185.0 (a, 1.1)	3182.7 (a, 0.3)	3186.4 (a ₁ , 0.0)	3186.0 (b, 0.0)
3187.5 (e, 0.5)	3187.1 (a, 0.7)	3186.6 (a, 0.0)	3186.4 (b ₂ , 0.1)	3186.1 (a, 0.2)
3196.6 (a, 0.0)	3193.9 (a, 1.3)	3192.4 (a, 0.5)	3194.6 (e, 0.0)	3194.2 (b, 0.3)
3196.7 (b, 2.5)	3195.4 (a, 0.8)	3192.6 (a, 0.3)	3194.6 (e, 0.0)	3194.3 (a, 0.0)
3197.5 (e, 0.4)	3202.0 (a, 1.5)	3194.0 (a, 0.5)	3194.8 (b ₂ , 1.1)	3195.1 (b, 0.2)
3197.5 (e, 0.4)	3202.8 (a, 1.2)	3195.1 (a, 0.3)	3194.9 (a ₁ , 0.0)	3195.1 (a, 0.0)

Table S34. Theoretical harmonic vibrational frequencies (in cm^{-1}) for the four triplet structures of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$ by the BP86 method (infrared intensities in parentheses are in km/mol).

4T-1	4T-2	4T-3	4T-4
19.6 (a, 0.0)	36.2 (a, 0.1)	27.9 (a, 0.0)	47.6 (a, 0.3)
29.1 (a, 0.1)	49.4 (a, 0.2)	35.1 (a, 0.0)	50.2 (a, 0.6)
32.3 (a, 0.0)	50.3 (a, 0.5)	49.0 (a, 0.0)	58.1 (a, 1.0)
45.8 (a, 0.0)	62.9 (a, 0.6)	54.2 (a, 0.0)	59.0 (a, 0.6)
49.1 (a, 0.0)	66.3 (a, 0.2)	64.8 (a, 0.0)	63.2 (a, 0.5)
55.1 (a, 0.1)	71.8 (a, 0.3)	72.1 (a, 0.0)	71.2 (a, 0.4)
82.1 (a, 0.1)	75.0 (a, 0.0)	81.1 (a, 0.9)	74.0 (a, 0.1)
89.8 (a, 0.6)	87.3 (a, 0.5)	82.8 (a, 0.4)	76.6 (a, 0.1)
93.9 (a, 0.3)	98.3 (a, 0.1)	95.4 (a, 0.7)	77.4 (a, 0.0)
120.1 (a, 0.1)	105.2 (a, 0.5)	107.0 (a, 0.0)	90.6 (a, 0.2)
132.0 (a, 1.2)	108.4 (a, 0.2)	114.0 (a, 0.2)	112.4 (a, 1.0)
133.6 (a, 0.7)	114.4 (a, 1.8)	129.4 (a, 0.9)	121.1 (a, 1.8)
143.6 (a, 0.0)	118.9 (a, 0.6)	140.4 (a, 0.5)	137.0 (a, 0.8)
161.4 (a, 1.0)	122.9 (a, 0.6)	149.2 (a, 0.3)	147.9 (a, 0.4)
162.7 (a, 1.1)	127.8 (a, 0.3)	153.5 (a, 0.0)	158.4 (a, 0.1)
170.2 (a, 0.5)	147.6 (a, 0.6)	159.9 (a, 0.1)	170.7 (a, 0.0)
172.0 (a, 0.8)	151.6 (a, 0.6)	165.7 (a, 0.0)	174.0 (a, 0.2)
183.3 (a, 0.4)	159.0 (a, 1.6)	181.6 (a, 0.4)	177.9 (a, 0.9)
187.5 (a, 1.6)	172.8 (a, 0.7)	194.2 (a, 1.6)	196.2 (a, 2.0)
191.8 (a, 2.2)	181.7 (a, 2.2)	202.3 (a, 2.5)	199.5 (a, 3.1)
207.0 (a, 2.2)	190.8 (a, 0.6)	206.3 (a, 0.5)	206.2 (a, 0.9)
214.5 (a, 0.6)	204.9 (a, 0.2)	212.6 (a, 2.0)	212.4 (a, 0.9)
234.5 (a, 1.2)	207.9 (a, 1.4)	234.1 (a, 3.0)	213.6 (a, 1.3)
260.0 (a, 1.9)	227.3 (a, 0.2)	235.7 (a, 0.4)	228.2 (a, 0.8)
269.5 (a, 0.8)	239.8 (a, 0.9)	252.0 (a, 0.9)	234.1 (a, 2.0)
290.5 (a, 1.9)	289.8 (a, 2.9)	255.9 (a, 6.9)	238.9 (a, 1.2)
294.7 (a, 2.3)	293.0 (a, 4.5)	283.7 (a, 2.8)	251.3 (a, 4.4)
297.2 (a, 8.7)	295.6 (a, 7.2)	286.1 (a, 2.8)	258.3 (a, 1.7)
299.8 (a, 4.2)	301.5 (a, 1.3)	288.4 (a, 2.9)	259.9 (a, 1.3)
306.4 (a, 3.6)	308.9 (a, 0.4)	294.0 (a, 0.7)	276.7 (a, 2.0)
310.8 (a, 0.8)	311.6 (a, 1.2)	305.1 (a, 2.2)	277.8 (a, 1.4)
326.1 (a, 2.3)	320.0 (a, 0.1)	315.0 (a, 2.5)	285.9 (a, 2.2)
333.0 (a, 1.3)	338.4 (a, 1.2)	319.2 (a, 0.4)	290.5 (a, 0.2)
354.2 (a, 5.5)	350.6 (a, 1.5)	324.7 (a, 0.1)	314.8 (a, 2.1)
361.9 (a, 3.1)	372.9 (a, 0.7)	345.7 (a, 13.8)	331.6 (a, 1.2)
377.4 (a, 4.3)	378.8 (a, 2.6)	354.4 (a, 3.6)	339.8 (a, 3.4)
390.3 (a, 6.7)	393.5 (a, 6.3)	375.8 (a, 2.8)	354.9 (a, 2.5)
399.5 (a, 8.1)	411.1 (a, 10.7)	383.1 (a, 1.0)	362.8 (a, 5.6)
421.8 (a, 3.8)	411.4 (a, 1.5)	395.6 (a, 0.0)	371.6 (a, 11.9)
434.4 (a, 1.9)	442.1 (a, 1.9)	404.3 (a, 30.1)	383.7 (a, 44.0)
438.9 (a, 3.2)	457.3 (a, 1.7)	432.4 (a, 3.5)	405.1 (a, 42.9)
477.1 (a, 0.3)	465.8 (a, 9.2)	443.6 (a, 0.2)	411.0 (a, 35.4)
478.5 (a, 4.4)	479.5 (a, 4.1)	518.2 (a, 5.3)	419.0 (a, 38.5)
493.3 (a, 2.1)	483.1 (a, 15.9)	532.0 (a, 0.7)	426.1 (a, 6.6)
505.7 (a, 6.1)	496.0 (a, 10.2)	564.2 (a, 0.2)	436.9 (a, 6.9)
511.5 (a, 9.9)	498.5 (a, 26.4)	567.9 (a, 3.9)	438.9 (a, 8.2)
552.4 (a, 2.8)	506.5 (a, 6.9)	570.6 (a, 0.0)	454.7 (a, 8.5)

571.1 (a, 3.9)	516.4 (a, 8.9)	570.9 (a, 0.4)	457.6 (a, 1.1)
573.1 (a, 0.1)	565.8 (a, 0.4)	575.3 (a, 0.3)	465.3 (a, 3.2)
573.7 (a, 0.2)	568.8 (a, 0.5)	575.6 (a, 1.4)	477.3 (a, 9.4)
577.2 (a, 1.1)	570.3 (a, 0.6)	576.4 (a, 5.1)	555.5 (a, 1.0)
578.0 (a, 0.5)	570.9 (a, 0.3)	576.8 (a, 4.7)	567.0 (a, 0.4)
578.7 (a, 1.0)	573.7 (a, 1.3)	579.9 (a, 1.1)	578.8 (a, 7.5)
579.8 (a, 2.6)	575.3 (a, 1.7)	583.3 (a, 8.7)	590.9 (a, 2.7)
583.4 (a, 1.7)	576.4 (a, 1.9)	610.7 (a, 6.2)	592.6 (a, 1.9)
593.4 (a, 3.3)	578.8 (a, 3.0)	612.9 (a, 1.1)	598.0 (a, 0.3)
616.0 (a, 5.0)	583.0 (a, 0.3)	634.3 (a, 7.6)	620.9 (a, 1.7)
622.2 (a, 9.3)	604.1 (a, 2.2)	640.5 (a, 29.6)	623.4 (a, 1.3)
770.3 (a, 49.6)	737.2 (a, 16.9)	746.6 (a, 74.9)	702.6 (a, 21.2)
774.7 (a, 96.5)	747.0 (a, 56.0)	750.3 (a, 32.4)	714.8 (a, 5.9)
775.2 (a, 53.9)	756.1 (a, 65.2)	757.7 (a, 54.5)	715.9 (a, 1.0)
778.4 (a, 146.5)	761.3 (a, 10.7)	758.4 (a, 21.7)	727.0 (a, 2.3)
780.9 (a, 36.0)	764.7 (a, 5.8)	769.8 (a, 12.4)	737.0 (a, 1.2)
782.0 (a, 11.2)	775.2 (a, 0.9)	775.3 (a, 71.9)	739.5 (a, 3.1)
785.9 (a, 36.6)	781.6 (a, 54.0)	777.3 (a, 159.8)	743.4 (a, 11.8)
789.8 (a, 34.8)	782.1 (a, 38.6)	780.0 (a, 46.8)	746.1 (a, 3.8)
793.9 (a, 30.2)	784.5 (a, 38.5)	781.5 (a, 36.1)	750.3 (a, 6.6)
795.8 (a, 32.0)	786.7 (a, 98.5)	792.5 (a, 39.4)	752.0 (a, 10.8)
797.8 (a, 21.4)	796.4 (a, 57.2)	796.6 (a, 9.9)	760.8 (a, 21.2)
803.1 (a, 38.8)	803.0 (a, 31.4)	802.1 (a, 13.3)	764.7 (a, 6.8)
815.3 (a, 1.2)	809.3 (a, 0.7)	814.9 (a, 0.1)	772.1 (a, 2.4)
816.2 (a, 0.2)	811.5 (a, 9.9)	816.3 (a, 0.5)	773.5 (a, 6.6)
816.9 (a, 0.9)	812.1 (a, 0.2)	816.5 (a, 0.4)	780.6 (a, 3.5)
817.6 (a, 5.3)	814.2 (a, 1.4)	816.8 (a, 0.7)	785.5 (a, 4.0)
818.6 (a, 4.6)	815.6 (a, 0.9)	817.8 (a, 2.2)	788.9 (a, 3.1)
819.2 (a, 5.8)	816.4 (a, 1.3)	818.2 (a, 3.0)	794.7 (a, 11.5)
819.4 (a, 0.8)	817.2 (a, 0.2)	818.7 (a, 0.1)	800.6 (a, 9.2)
820.2 (a, 2.8)	819.1 (a, 2.0)	819.2 (a, 1.6)	805.5 (a, 2.5)
857.6 (a, 1.2)	838.7 (a, 4.3)	837.7 (a, 0.1)	836.1 (a, 1.9)
859.8 (a, 6.2)	844.1 (a, 2.6)	854.4 (a, 1.7)	842.5 (a, 0.2)
860.9 (a, 1.4)	848.2 (a, 0.7)	859.4 (a, 4.3)	853.8 (a, 0.9)
863.3 (a, 0.8)	854.3 (a, 5.4)	863.0 (a, 3.0)	862.6 (a, 1.5)
864.7 (a, 2.6)	857.7 (a, 0.3)	863.3 (a, 8.4)	868.1 (a, 1.5)
867.0 (a, 5.0)	863.9 (a, 1.0)	867.2 (a, 2.9)	870.2 (a, 1.7)
867.8 (a, 1.2)	868.4 (a, 5.8)	868.3 (a, 11.2)	873.4 (a, 0.7)
870.6 (a, 1.4)	879.4 (a, 3.2)	869.4 (a, 2.8)	903.1 (a, 3.0)
992.1 (a, 7.0)	976.5 (a, 6.9)	994.8 (a, 13.9)	922.3 (a, 1.2)
994.8 (a, 6.8)	980.0 (a, 7.6)	996.2 (a, 1.8)	928.6 (a, 1.4)
995.3 (a, 9.4)	991.6 (a, 12.4)	996.5 (a, 11.0)	936.1 (a, 9.6)
995.5 (a, 10.5)	994.7 (a, 11.6)	998.0 (a, 2.5)	944.6 (a, 8.6)
997.6 (a, 3.1)	998.7 (a, 1.9)	998.3 (a, 1.0)	959.9 (a, 5.5)
999.2 (a, 10.4)	1000.5 (a, 7.0)	999.8 (a, 15.5)	961.6 (a, 5.2)
1000.7 (a, 12.6)	1007.0 (a, 0.8)	1002.4 (a, 20.7)	963.4 (a, 4.6)
1000.7 (a, 0.4)	1009.0 (a, 13.6)	1003.9 (a, 0.0)	966.3 (a, 1.4)
1038.5 (a, 0.5)	1031.3 (a, 4.5)	1037.0 (a, 0.3)	1006.9 (a, 13.5)
1041.8 (a, 0.7)	1040.0 (a, 1.5)	1040.7 (a, 0.4)	1012.1 (a, 13.0)
1043.7 (a, 0.3)	1042.4 (a, 1.6)	1044.4 (a, 2.2)	1017.3 (a, 0.7)
1044.4 (a, 1.2)	1044.3 (a, 4.8)	1045.4 (a, 0.0)	1019.1 (a, 0.5)
1045.2 (a, 0.2)	1046.5 (a, 0.1)	1045.7 (a, 0.6)	1026.2 (a, 1.7)
1045.8 (a, 0.3)	1048.3 (a, 0.8)	1045.7 (a, 1.8)	1030.0 (a, 2.2)

1046.4 (a, 0.6)	1053.7 (a, 1.3)	1047.1 (a, 1.4)	1033.3 (a, 0.1)
1048.5 (a, 0.9)	1055.4 (a, 3.6)	1049.9 (a, 2.8)	1034.3 (a, 6.0)
1113.3 (a, 2.3)	1095.6 (a, 5.5)	1114.8 (a, 2.0)	1036.4 (a, 1.3)
1114.2 (a, 1.2)	1111.5 (a, 4.4)	1115.3 (a, 0.8)	1040.9 (a, 0.7)
1114.7 (a, 1.8)	1114.0 (a, 3.2)	1115.8 (a, 4.1)	1052.9 (a, 1.8)
1115.7 (a, 2.1)	1117.7 (a, 5.4)	1116.8 (a, 2.0)	1054.8 (a, 4.3)
1222.3 (a, 0.0)	1210.7 (a, 0.3)	1224.0 (a, 0.0)	1204.3 (a, 0.1)
1223.6 (a, 0.0)	1226.4 (a, 0.0)	1225.7 (a, 0.0)	1207.0 (a, 0.1)
1224.4 (a, 0.0)	1228.2 (a, 0.1)	1226.0 (a, 0.0)	1211.8 (a, 0.1)
1226.6 (a, 0.0)	1230.2 (a, 0.0)	1229.8 (a, 0.0)	1213.2 (a, 0.2)
1365.3 (a, 8.5)	1302.8 (a, 54.0)	1365.4 (a, 0.0)	1259.6 (a, 1.6)
1365.7 (a, 0.2)	1337.2 (a, 0.3)	1366.0 (a, 2.5)	1266.1 (a, 2.5)
1366.1 (a, 2.7)	1356.0 (a, 0.8)	1366.5 (a, 3.4)	1267.1 (a, 0.6)
1366.3 (a, 1.2)	1363.7 (a, 0.3)	1366.7 (a, 0.1)	1276.1 (a, 2.3)
1367.2 (a, 0.9)	1370.6 (a, 0.7)	1370.6 (a, 0.7)	1281.0 (a, 1.4)
1368.7 (a, 0.2)	1371.4 (a, 0.2)	1370.6 (a, 3.1)	1284.4 (a, 5.4)
1369.6 (a, 2.7)	1372.3 (a, 0.4)	1371.6 (a, 0.2)	1297.5 (a, 2.4)
1371.1 (a, 38.8)	1373.1 (a, 0.3)	1372.1 (a, 3.3)	1316.4 (a, 3.6)
1372.4 (a, 3.6)	1378.5 (a, 0.3)	1412.5 (a, 4.0)	1325.6 (a, 2.1)
1410.7 (a, 1.6)	1392.0 (a, 1.7)	1413.9 (a, 1.1)	1336.4 (a, 1.4)
1411.8 (a, 1.3)	1409.2 (a, 1.8)	1416.9 (a, 2.4)	1337.0 (a, 0.2)
1414.1 (a, 1.0)	1410.8 (a, 3.5)	1417.8 (a, 2.0)	1342.5 (a, 0.9)
1415.5 (a, 2.9)	1412.6 (a, 1.6)	1418.6 (a, 0.4)	1347.2 (a, 1.3)
1418.1 (a, 1.1)	1414.8 (a, 1.8)	1418.9 (a, 3.3)	1358.9 (a, 3.8)
1419.8 (a, 1.8)	1418.0 (a, 1.7)	1419.8 (a, 1.2)	1394.1 (a, 2.3)
1421.6 (a, 1.6)	1421.6 (a, 3.0)	1421.2 (a, 0.4)	1412.2 (a, 1.4)
1422.7 (a, 2.7)	1422.1 (a, 0.5)	1516.7 (a, 25.4)	1893.2 (a, 1786.4)
1517.7 (a, 188.3)	1730.9 (a, 430.9)	1516.7 (a, 282.3)	1898.1 (a, 1934.7)
1625.8 (a, 357.9)	1748.6 (a, 635.8)	1540.0 (a, 358.4)	1898.8 (a, 1887.7)
1655.8 (a, 314.0)	1802.8 (a, 567.1)	1568.5 (a, 18.7)	1920.4 (a, 22.4)
3157.4 (a, 0.5)	3099.8 (a, 5.3)	3164.8 (a, 0.1)	3091.4 (a, 4.2)
3160.6 (a, 0.7)	3149.5 (a, 0.5)	3164.8 (a, 0.1)	3101.8 (a, 4.0)
3165.7 (a, 0.1)	3160.7 (a, 0.6)	3170.6 (a, 0.1)	3102.8 (a, 1.5)
3165.8 (a, 0.1)	3164.8 (a, 0.2)	3170.7 (a, 0.1)	3106.1 (a, 3.7)
3167.4 (a, 0.3)	3167.0 (a, 0.0)	3172.0 (a, 0.4)	3124.3 (a, 2.6)
3170.0 (a, 0.2)	3170.5 (a, 1.2)	3172.1 (a, 0.1)	3125.8 (a, 0.5)
3171.2 (a, 0.1)	3170.7 (a, 0.2)	3172.2 (a, 0.0)	3128.6 (a, 1.1)
3174.3 (a, 0.1)	3171.2 (a, 0.5)	3172.6 (a, 0.0)	3130.2 (a, 0.8)
3177.8 (a, 0.6)	3171.4 (a, 0.3)	3181.2 (a, 1.1)	3132.7 (a, 6.3)
3178.7 (a, 0.6)	3174.1 (a, 0.6)	3181.2 (a, 0.4)	3133.6 (a, 0.2)
3182.0 (a, 0.5)	3175.9 (a, 0.3)	3183.7 (a, 1.0)	3135.0 (a, 0.9)
3182.3 (a, 0.3)	3181.3 (a, 0.6)	3183.9 (a, 0.2)	3139.7 (a, 2.5)
3182.5 (a, 0.7)	3182.1 (a, 1.2)	3184.3 (a, 0.6)	3143.0 (a, 2.4)
3182.6 (a, 0.1)	3186.9 (a, 1.3)	3184.7 (a, 1.4)	3145.2 (a, 2.7)
3183.2 (a, 0.3)	3187.0 (a, 1.2)	3185.8 (a, 1.7)	3145.4 (a, 1.7)
3188.7 (a, 0.5)	3187.3 (a, 0.5)	3186.0 (a, 0.2)	3146.0 (a, 0.3)
3192.9 (a, 0.6)	3194.0 (a, 0.5)	3195.2 (a, 0.6)	3151.9 (a, 1.1)
3194.3 (a, 0.4)	3196.8 (a, 0.8)	3195.4 (a, 0.6)	3157.3 (a, 0.7)
3194.4 (a, 0.2)	3196.9 (a, 1.5)	3195.7 (a, 1.5)	3163.0 (a, 1.9)
3200.6 (a, 0.2)	3207.1 (a, 1.1)	3196.6 (a, 0.4)	3166.5 (a, 0.3)

Table S35. Theoretical harmonic vibrational frequencies (in cm^{-1}) for the three quintet structures of $\text{Cp}_4\text{V}_4(\text{CO})_4$ by the BP86 method (infrared intensities in parentheses are in km/mol).

4Q-1	4Q-2	4Q-3
32.2 (a, 0.0)	45.2 (a, 0.8)	48.2 (a, 0.0)
36.3 (a, 0.0)	51.1 (a, 0.3)	49.8 (b, 0.5)
42.2 (a, 0.0)	53.9 (a, 0.2)	56.1 (a, 0.2)
49.5 (a, 0.1)	55.5 (a, 0.6)	59.6 (b, 1.4)
52.0 (a, 0.1)	57.4 (a, 1.0)	60.8 (a, 0.2)
62.1 (a, 0.0)	59.1 (a, 1.2)	61.0 (b, 0.3)
78.6 (a, 0.4)	61.9 (a, 0.0)	72.1 (a, 0.0)
92.1 (a, 0.3)	75.6 (a, 0.2)	73.0 (b, 0.1)
94.6 (a, 0.4)	77.2 (a, 0.4)	80.0 (b, 0.5)
114.1 (a, 1.5)	107.1 (a, 1.2)	85.2 (a, 0.1)
132.5 (a, 0.3)	117.7 (a, 0.2)	116.0 (a, 0.1)
135.0 (a, 0.3)	122.4 (a, 0.1)	117.9 (b, 0.0)
142.2 (a, 0.4)	125.5 (a, 0.1)	130.7 (a, 0.1)
145.6 (a, 0.3)	139.0 (a, 0.2)	142.7 (b, 0.1)
162.9 (a, 0.2)	147.4 (a, 1.0)	150.0 (a, 0.4)
172.3 (a, 1.2)	151.3 (a, 3.2)	158.5 (a, 0.1)
178.2 (a, 0.2)	159.3 (a, 2.9)	163.7 (b, 2.0)
179.0 (a, 0.6)	167.9 (a, 1.4)	180.1 (b, 3.7)
191.4 (a, 0.3)	173.5 (a, 1.8)	184.2 (a, 0.0)
195.2 (a, 1.1)	176.6 (a, 1.8)	192.3 (b, 3.3)
215.5 (a, 2.5)	179.6 (a, 2.8)	194.0 (a, 1.6)
226.5 (a, 0.3)	198.0 (a, 1.8)	207.5 (b, 1.3)
230.8 (a, 1.0)	204.1 (a, 1.6)	209.8 (a, 0.2)
264.2 (a, 3.9)	217.2 (a, 4.9)	219.1 (b, 1.9)
268.6 (a, 0.6)	222.1 (a, 1.3)	221.3 (a, 0.5)
282.9 (a, 1.4)	242.8 (a, 0.4)	234.0 (b, 0.5)
290.0 (a, 0.6)	247.3 (a, 10.7)	234.9 (a, 0.0)
297.5 (a, 4.7)	290.0 (a, 1.5)	237.4 (a, 0.0)
302.8 (a, 3.1)	292.9 (a, 3.1)	249.8 (b, 2.1)
311.7 (a, 4.5)	300.5 (a, 2.5)	252.1 (a, 0.1)
317.5 (a, 6.9)	305.2 (a, 4.3)	255.7 (b, 1.3)
324.8 (a, 5.6)	306.9 (a, 2.3)	270.5 (a, 0.7)
337.2 (a, 2.4)	317.3 (a, 0.3)	271.9 (b, 1.7)
341.7 (a, 7.2)	318.1 (a, 0.9)	283.7 (a, 0.4)
351.3 (a, 6.1)	324.9 (a, 4.0)	294.3 (b, 3.2)
359.9 (a, 6.6)	342.7 (a, 0.1)	311.1 (a, 0.0)
371.3 (a, 7.8)	354.0 (a, 1.3)	336.1 (b, 5.2)
376.1 (a, 11.8)	376.7 (a, 4.9)	365.7 (a, 0.7)
381.6 (a, 3.4)	383.8 (a, 4.4)	366.7 (b, 3.4)
396.3 (a, 10.4)	403.8 (a, 2.0)	394.0 (a, 29.9)
412.2 (a, 7.0)	417.3 (a, 6.4)	395.7 (b, 40.8)
420.4 (a, 0.9)	422.3 (a, 3.6)	405.6 (b, 43.9)
433.5 (a, 1.5)	435.2 (a, 0.3)	417.2 (b, 31.8)
449.9 (a, 2.2)	454.3 (a, 3.7)	418.2 (a, 15.4)
471.5 (a, 1.1)	460.7 (a, 7.4)	428.5 (a, 17.1)
494.6 (a, 11.2)	471.9 (a, 4.5)	441.5 (a, 7.9)
541.5 (a, 2.8)	479.6 (a, 0.3)	447.2 (b, 2.0)

555.0 (a, 2.7)	487.0 (a, 17.5)	459.9 (a, 0.3)
572.8 (a, 0.2)	496.6 (a, 3.2)	464.0 (b, 16.0)
575.7 (a, 0.2)	514.7 (a, 10.4)	468.8 (a, 9.6)
576.5 (a, 1.0)	574.4 (a, 0.8)	550.7 (a, 0.8)
579.8 (a, 1.4)	574.7 (a, 0.2)	551.6 (b, 0.4)
581.2 (a, 0.1)	575.2 (a, 0.4)	569.5 (b, 2.3)
581.9 (a, 1.0)	575.8 (a, 0.0)	572.4 (a, 2.9)
582.2 (a, 1.6)	576.3 (a, 0.5)	597.9 (b, 0.2)
583.1 (a, 0.2)	577.1 (a, 0.5)	602.4 (a, 0.2)
612.7 (a, 8.2)	579.6 (a, 0.1)	628.9 (a, 0.8)
632.8 (a, 2.8)	580.2 (a, 1.0)	630.1 (b, 2.7)
773.1 (a, 60.7)	779.8 (a, 87.1)	691.4 (b, 22.3)
774.9 (a, 73.6)	780.1 (a, 122.8)	698.7 (a, 16.7)
776.3 (a, 105.8)	783.7 (a, 90.4)	706.2 (b, 2.5)
777.9 (a, 50.8)	785.6 (a, 41.6)	708.5 (a, 2.3)
779.2 (a, 9.9)	788.6 (a, 22.1)	712.5 (b, 37.0)
785.6 (a, 36.4)	789.7 (a, 37.9)	719.7 (a, 3.6)
788.3 (a, 68.8)	789.9 (a, 36.5)	721.0 (b, 1.9)
788.8 (a, 63.1)	792.1 (a, 10.4)	737.0 (b, 5.4)
793.3 (a, 32.9)	798.2 (a, 26.8)	742.3 (a, 0.3)
796.9 (a, 30.7)	799.9 (a, 14.5)	745.0 (a, 3.8)
798.9 (a, 26.9)	803.8 (a, 92.1)	756.2 (b, 2.0)
800.7 (a, 8.2)	804.9 (a, 20.2)	768.1 (b, 18.5)
815.9 (a, 0.6)	816.8 (a, 1.5)	768.4 (a, 0.1)
816.5 (a, 1.7)	817.8 (a, 2.0)	771.2 (b, 1.1)
817.3 (a, 1.6)	818.5 (a, 1.9)	772.2 (a, 6.4)
818.0 (a, 4.5)	818.7 (a, 4.7)	778.7 (a, 19.9)
818.5 (a, 1.1)	819.2 (a, 0.2)	779.6 (b, 15.8)
818.7 (a, 4.3)	819.6 (a, 4.2)	789.8 (a, 0.0)
820.3 (a, 0.8)	820.1 (a, 1.9)	801.1 (b, 8.3)
821.0 (a, 6.7)	820.6 (a, 8.8)	801.3 (a, 2.7)
855.8 (a, 1.4)	856.1 (a, 0.7)	829.4 (a, 1.1)
857.0 (a, 0.8)	860.3 (a, 1.0)	834.1 (b, 1.6)
859.6 (a, 1.8)	861.9 (a, 2.0)	848.9 (b, 0.2)
862.2 (a, 0.3)	865.3 (a, 1.6)	851.5 (a, 0.1)
863.9 (a, 1.6)	866.3 (a, 1.0)	859.2 (b, 0.9)
866.9 (a, 1.0)	869.2 (a, 1.1)	860.3 (a, 2.3)
872.2 (a, 6.4)	871.6 (a, 2.0)	894.0 (b, 4.2)
875.3 (a, 0.3)	875.2 (a, 1.0)	894.9 (a, 0.2)
992.3 (a, 8.1)	993.3 (a, 6.6)	914.4 (b, 8.0)
993.8 (a, 8.0)	994.3 (a, 8.4)	919.5 (a, 4.4)
994.8 (a, 7.6)	995.2 (a, 9.5)	962.6 (b, 3.0)
995.9 (a, 6.8)	996.4 (a, 3.1)	965.2 (b, 8.6)
997.6 (a, 7.8)	997.1 (a, 2.3)	967.6 (a, 1.2)
999.9 (a, 3.9)	997.6 (a, 3.6)	970.8 (a, 1.0)
1000.5 (a, 17.6)	998.3 (a, 7.3)	976.3 (b, 5.9)
1002.7 (a, 3.6)	1000.4 (a, 7.0)	976.7 (a, 3.3)
1038.4 (a, 0.3)	1038.2 (a, 0.4)	998.7 (b, 23.4)
1041.2 (a, 1.0)	1041.0 (a, 0.3)	1002.7 (a, 4.7)
1042.6 (a, 0.3)	1041.5 (a, 0.4)	1015.6 (b, 0.5)
1043.6 (a, 0.0)	1042.5 (a, 0.4)	1016.8 (a, 0.1)
1045.1 (a, 1.0)	1043.3 (a, 0.1)	1033.3 (b, 0.0)
1045.9 (a, 0.6)	1044.9 (a, 0.6)	1034.5 (a, 0.7)

1047.0 (a, 0.2)	1045.7 (a, 0.2)	1035.4 (b, 2.9)
1049.2 (a, 0.5)	1049.4 (a, 0.0)	1038.7 (a, 1.6)
1113.0 (a, 2.5)	1112.9 (a, 1.6)	1039.8 (b, 2.3)
1113.3 (a, 2.4)	1113.0 (a, 1.8)	1041.9 (a, 0.0)
1113.5 (a, 2.3)	1113.4 (a, 3.2)	1056.5 (b, 4.8)
1115.6 (a, 2.4)	1113.5 (a, 0.2)	1059.0 (a, 4.4)
1223.0 (a, 0.0)	1219.3 (a, 0.0)	1204.0 (b, 0.2)
1223.9 (a, 0.0)	1221.9 (a, 0.0)	1204.3 (a, 0.1)
1224.0 (a, 0.0)	1223.3 (a, 0.0)	1215.3 (b, 0.0)
1226.1 (a, 0.0)	1223.6 (a, 0.0)	1216.8 (a, 0.0)
1359.9 (a, 51.6)	1365.2 (a, 0.6)	1265.5 (b, 0.5)
1365.8 (a, 0.1)	1366.2 (a, 1.0)	1266.2 (a, 0.3)
1367.1 (a, 1.5)	1366.5 (a, 0.7)	1271.7 (a, 0.7)
1368.3 (a, 2.6)	1366.7 (a, 0.3)	1272.0 (b, 2.8)
1368.5 (a, 1.4)	1367.2 (a, 0.3)	1307.8 (a, 6.4)
1368.7 (a, 1.9)	1367.2 (a, 0.2)	1309.9 (b, 1.6)
1369.0 (a, 1.1)	1369.0 (a, 0.1)	1314.3 (b, 2.7)
1369.6 (a, 2.7)	1370.2 (a, 0.3)	1314.8 (a, 0.2)
1370.2 (a, 0.6)	1411.6 (a, 3.0)	1332.6 (b, 0.9)
1410.8 (a, 1.6)	1412.4 (a, 2.1)	1335.3 (a, 0.0)
1412.7 (a, 1.1)	1413.6 (a, 2.4)	1336.5 (b, 6.5)
1413.3 (a, 0.5)	1415.1 (a, 1.1)	1337.6 (a, 1.0)
1413.6 (a, 2.2)	1416.1 (a, 0.9)	1369.0 (b, 0.2)
1418.3 (a, 2.2)	1416.6 (a, 2.6)	1371.4 (a, 1.2)
1420.1 (a, 1.9)	1419.1 (a, 1.8)	1401.8 (b, 0.8)
1421.7 (a, 2.4)	1419.7 (a, 1.6)	1401.8 (a, 0.3)
1421.8 (a, 1.6)	1637.7 (a, 373.2)	1887.8 (b, 1860.7)
1498.1 (a, 191.6)	1655.6 (a, 333.6)	1889.2 (a, 1888.4)
1616.0 (a, 360.5)	1685.3 (a, 667.1)	1892.7 (b, 2001.5)
1638.7 (a, 194.7)	1699.0 (a, 135.6)	1915.0 (a, 16.7)
3162.0 (a, 0.1)	3163.7 (a, 0.4)	3101.9 (b, 8.0)
3164.5 (a, 0.9)	3165.1 (a, 0.2)	3102.1 (a, 0.9)
3164.6 (a, 0.1)	3165.5 (a, 0.4)	3120.7 (a, 0.1)
3165.2 (a, 0.2)	3168.4 (a, 0.3)	3120.8 (b, 3.0)
3168.9 (a, 0.9)	3168.6 (a, 0.0)	3128.5 (a, 0.1)
3169.0 (a, 0.1)	3168.8 (a, 0.3)	3128.7 (b, 7.5)
3169.2 (a, 0.3)	3169.1 (a, 0.1)	3134.1 (b, 0.5)
3170.0 (a, 0.1)	3169.7 (a, 0.1)	3134.3 (a, 0.0)
3178.0 (a, 0.3)	3178.8 (a, 0.2)	3136.4 (b, 2.9)
3179.0 (a, 1.3)	3179.6 (a, 0.1)	3136.5 (a, 3.4)
3181.5 (a, 0.2)	3180.0 (a, 0.4)	3140.9 (b, 1.4)
3181.5 (a, 0.3)	3180.5 (a, 0.4)	3141.3 (a, 1.5)
3182.8 (a, 0.0)	3180.6 (a, 0.1)	3149.3 (b, 1.0)
3183.0 (a, 0.3)	3180.7 (a, 0.4)	3149.6 (a, 0.8)
3183.1 (a, 0.4)	3180.9 (a, 0.3)	3156.5 (b, 0.1)
3184.4 (a, 0.4)	3183.2 (a, 0.0)	3157.3 (a, 0.1)
3192.4 (a, 0.5)	3191.1 (a, 0.5)	3160.2 (b, 0.6)
3194.1 (a, 0.2)	3191.4 (a, 0.3)	3160.4 (a, 0.0)
3194.4 (a, 0.3)	3191.5 (a, 0.1)	3166.8 (a, 0.4)
3196.7 (a, 0.3)	3192.8 (a, 0.3)	3166.8 (b, 0.4)

Table S36. Theoretical harmonic vibrational frequencies (in cm^{-1}) for the three singlet structures of $\text{Cp}_3\text{V}_3(\text{CO})_9$ by the BP86 method (infrared intensities in parentheses are in km/mol).

9S-1	9S-2	9S-3
46.5 (e, 0.1)	25.2 (a, 0.0)	25.3 (a'', 0.2)
46.5 (e, 0.1)	40.9 (a, 0.4)	33.2 (a'', 0.0)
50.9 (a, 0.0)	47.8 (a, 1.0)	43.1 (a', 0.5)
60.1 (e, 0.0)	57.6 (a, 0.2)	58.2 (a'', 0.0)
60.1 (e, 0.0)	70.1 (a, 0.1)	63.7 (a'', 0.3)
73.2 (e, 0.0)	71.3 (a, 0.3)	75.3 (a', 0.1)
73.2 (e, 0.0)	73.7 (a, 0.0)	80.5 (a', 0.3)
76.4 (a, 0.0)	77.9 (a, 0.0)	81.4 (a'', 0.2)
89.1 (e, 0.1)	82.1 (a, 0.0)	83.9 (a', 0.0)
89.1 (e, 0.1)	83.5 (a, 0.1)	93.6 (a'', 0.0)
89.6 (a, 1.2)	88.4 (a, 0.0)	97.4 (a', 0.1)
94.2 (e, 0.2)	92.8 (a, 0.7)	105.2 (a', 0.4)
94.2 (e, 0.2)	95.0 (a, 0.7)	106.9 (a'', 0.0)
104.5 (a, 0.7)	102.2 (a, 0.0)	110.9 (a', 0.1)
112.8 (e, 1.0)	108.9 (a, 0.0)	117.3 (a'', 0.0)
112.8 (e, 1.0)	117.0 (a, 0.1)	120.4 (a', 0.1)
114.4 (a, 0.2)	118.7 (a, 0.1)	122.6 (a'', 0.0)
124.2 (a, 0.0)	125.4 (a, 2.2)	132.1 (a', 0.3)
125.0 (e, 0.9)	139.4 (a, 0.3)	137.8 (a', 0.5)
125.0 (e, 0.9)	142.9 (a, 0.3)	145.1 (a'', 0.0)
134.2 (a, 0.1)	146.7 (a, 1.1)	153.8 (a', 1.3)
143.2 (e, 1.3)	149.1 (a, 0.0)	155.9 (a', 0.3)
143.2 (e, 1.3)	152.1 (a, 0.4)	158.6 (a'', 0.1)
156.7 (e, 2.2)	163.1 (a, 0.2)	171.0 (a', 2.4)
156.7 (e, 2.2)	166.8 (a, 0.1)	174.8 (a'', 0.0)
160.6 (a, 0.1)	169.9 (a, 0.1)	185.6 (a'', 0.1)
176.1 (a, 0.1)	174.3 (a, 0.1)	197.9 (a', 0.2)
180.5 (a, 0.1)	191.8 (a, 0.1)	210.2 (a'', 0.1)
191.9 (e, 0.8)	212.0 (a, 0.0)	211.4 (a', 0.2)
191.9 (e, 0.8)	232.1 (a, 0.3)	233.7 (a'', 0.8)
311.9 (e, 20.5)	285.9 (a, 2.4)	282.2 (a'', 0.8)
311.9 (e, 20.5)	294.7 (a, 4.9)	286.1 (a', 0.2)
318.1 (a, 1.5)	310.6 (a, 2.3)	293.9 (a', 5.4)
319.9 (a, 7.4)	311.8 (a, 9.3)	304.4 (a'', 5.4)
320.0 (e, 3.1)	315.5 (a, 3.0)	307.4 (a'', 3.0)
320.0 (e, 3.1)	316.6 (a, 1.3)	310.9 (a', 2.0)
327.9 (a, 3.8)	318.3 (a, 6.7)	320.8 (a', 11.2)
329.8 (e, 14.8)	325.3 (a, 18.6)	323.4 (a', 4.7)
329.8 (e, 14.8)	334.2 (a, 4.8)	329.8 (a', 3.3)
366.0 (a, 2.2)	342.0 (a, 0.2)	337.2 (a'', 1.6)
366.8 (e, 1.9)	360.5 (a, 3.6)	357.2 (a'', 9.6)
366.8 (e, 1.9)	365.6 (a, 2.0)	367.4 (a', 5.0)
409.1 (e, 4.9)	368.7 (a, 5.8)	381.6 (a'', 0.5)
409.1 (e, 4.9)	397.5 (a, 0.1)	397.2 (a', 1.2)
421.8 (a, 0.2)	413.1 (a, 0.0)	397.3 (a'', 0.2)
427.9 (a, 10.6)	421.7 (a, 0.5)	419.3 (a', 6.3)
438.7 (e, 9.1)	428.7 (a, 7.6)	431.5 (a'', 7.8)

438.7 (e, 9.1)	436.1 (a, 8.8)	435.8 (a', 9.7)
452.3 (e, 12.7)	436.6 (a, 8.4)	442.6 (a'', 1.4)
452.3 (e, 12.7)	438.3 (a, 0.7)	448.8 (a', 4.7)
452.8 (a, 1.1)	449.8 (a, 29.0)	453.1 (a'', 14.3)
476.9 (e, 24.2)	452.8 (a, 3.0)	462.9 (a', 5.5)
476.9 (e, 24.2)	465.1 (a, 23.7)	470.5 (a', 7.7)
477.1 (a, 0.1)	469.8 (a, 0.1)	483.5 (a', 67.7)
501.2 (e, 10.5)	477.0 (a, 25.4)	490.1 (a'', 76.7)
501.2 (e, 10.5)	493.6 (a, 9.3)	493.5 (a'', 87.9)
506.6 (a, 16.0)	498.6 (a, 171.8)	503.1 (a', 0.7)
543.4 (a, 0.1)	526.2 (a, 81.5)	519.9 (a', 28.1)
546.2 (e, 169.1)	533.3 (a, 143.9)	531.3 (a'', 25.1)
546.2 (e, 169.1)	551.6 (a, 33.4)	541.5 (a'', 246.2)
559.9 (a, 0.7)	554.2 (a, 37.8)	552.8 (a', 82.5)
568.4 (e, 38.0)	566.5 (a, 40.4)	556.4 (a', 15.3)
568.4 (e, 38.0)	567.5 (a, 15.6)	561.2 (a'', 0.0)
569.7 (a, 41.3)	570.5 (a, 111.5)	571.7 (a', 0.3)
576.1 (e, 6.0)	572.1 (a, 4.8)	571.7 (a'', 80.0)
576.1 (e, 6.0)	574.2 (a, 4.0)	576.6 (a', 62.0)
577.7 (a, 6.9)	575.7 (a, 1.1)	577.2 (a'', 7.1)
582.6 (e, 17.4)	577.4 (a, 18.5)	577.7 (a'', 1.1)
582.6 (e, 17.4)	578.9 (a, 2.1)	581.3 (a', 15.7)
586.7 (a, 2.7)	580.1 (a, 4.9)	582.4 (a'', 7.8)
587.8 (e, 10.2)	581.8 (a, 5.7)	583.9 (a', 13.9)
587.8 (e, 10.2)	593.9 (a, 73.3)	600.2 (a', 19.7)
812.6 (a, 1.6)	782.0 (a, 30.4)	791.3 (a'', 32.3)
812.9 (e, 9.1)	803.8 (a, 6.0)	806.3 (a', 77.9)
812.9 (e, 9.1)	807.9 (a, 28.7)	809.5 (a'', 1.9)
817.4 (e, 83.9)	811.7 (a, 6.6)	812.8 (a'', 0.7)
817.4 (e, 83.9)	812.3 (a, 1.5)	813.0 (a', 12.0)
818.0 (a, 7.2)	812.9 (a, 26.6)	815.8 (a', 11.7)
818.7 (e, 26.4)	813.4 (a, 49.1)	816.2 (a'', 4.5)
818.7 (e, 26.4)	814.0 (a, 1.6)	816.8 (a', 50.6)
819.4 (a, 6.7)	814.8 (a, 83.0)	818.3 (a', 8.3)
825.7 (e, 31.3)	817.8 (a, 38.7)	818.6 (a'', 0.2)
825.7 (e, 31.3)	818.3 (a, 2.9)	821.1 (a', 76.8)
827.1 (a, 5.1)	821.0 (a, 15.4)	822.6 (a'', 49.0)
833.4 (e, 2.2)	821.6 (a, 30.8)	828.4 (a', 10.8)
833.4 (e, 2.2)	828.9 (a, 11.2)	830.4 (a', 25.1)
833.6 (a, 22.5)	838.5 (a, 6.6)	832.8 (a'', 12.1)
883.7 (a, 2.3)	872.1 (a, 0.3)	877.6 (a'', 0.0)
883.8 (e, 0.1)	877.2 (a, 1.6)	882.7 (a'', 0.0)
883.8 (e, 0.1)	881.8 (a, 0.6)	885.8 (a', 2.9)
902.6 (a, 0.3)	887.1 (a, 0.9)	889.3 (a', 7.3)
902.9 (e, 0.5)	893.4 (a, 0.3)	891.4 (a'', 1.0)
902.9 (e, 0.5)	903.0 (a, 1.6)	900.8 (a', 0.5)
995.0 (e, 0.9)	988.4 (a, 7.6)	989.4 (a'', 7.9)
995.0 (e, 0.9)	993.7 (a, 3.6)	994.0 (a', 2.5)
995.4 (a, 10.7)	993.9 (a, 2.7)	994.4 (a'', 2.6)
998.2 (e, 5.0)	997.9 (a, 1.1)	995.1 (a', 2.8)
998.2 (e, 5.0)	999.1 (a, 3.7)	998.0 (a'', 0.0)
998.6 (a, 0.6)	1007.0 (a, 13.6)	1009.3 (a', 14.6)
1044.5 (e, 0.5)	1038.4 (a, 0.6)	1036.6 (a'', 0.0)

1044.5 (e, 0.6)	1045.9 (a, 0.1)	1041.8 (a', 1.5)
1044.6 (a, 0.8)	1046.9 (a, 0.3)	1047.4 (a'', 0.3)
1047.7 (a, 0.0)	1047.8 (a, 0.4)	1047.8 (a'', 0.1)
1047.8 (e, 0.8)	1048.3 (a, 0.6)	1049.4 (a', 0.3)
1047.8 (e, 0.8)	1055.9 (a, 5.3)	1057.2 (a', 3.8)
1114.1 (e, 0.0)	1111.8 (a, 0.1)	1111.6 (a', 0.1)
1114.1 (e, 0.0)	1113.3 (a, 0.3)	1115.0 (a'', 0.0)
1114.1 (a, 0.0)	1116.6 (a, 1.2)	1117.6 (a', 1.4)
1225.1 (a, 0.0)	1222.7 (a, 0.0)	1222.0 (a'', 0.0)
1225.2 (e, 0.0)	1227.2 (a, 0.0)	1222.5 (a'', 0.0)
1225.2 (e, 0.0)	1229.1 (a, 0.0)	1229.9 (a', 0.0)
1373.2 (e, 0.5)	1366.9 (a, 0.7)	1365.3 (a'', 2.6)
1373.2 (e, 0.5)	1371.0 (a, 0.9)	1369.4 (a', 1.8)
1373.4 (a, 0.0)	1372.0 (a, 3.0)	1371.2 (a'', 0.0)
1375.5 (e, 0.3)	1372.9 (a, 1.4)	1373.2 (a', 1.4)
1375.5 (e, 0.3)	1378.9 (a, 0.2)	1379.5 (a'', 0.0)
1375.6 (a, 6.9)	1382.4 (a, 0.2)	1382.8 (a', 0.4)
1413.5 (e, 0.4)	1409.2 (a, 3.2)	1409.7 (a', 3.8)
1413.5 (e, 0.4)	1410.2 (a, 1.7)	1410.7 (a'', 1.0)
1413.6 (a, 5.0)	1414.8 (a, 1.4)	1411.8 (a'', 5.4)
1416.7 (a, 0.1)	1416.4 (a, 4.8)	1415.4 (a', 0.6)
1416.7 (e, 6.0)	1416.9 (a, 0.6)	1417.4 (a'', 0.1)
1416.7 (e, 6.0)	1421.9 (a, 3.0)	1422.2 (a', 3.2)
1833.3 (e, 36.6)	1754.9 (a, 326.6)	1714.3 (a', 337.7)
1833.3 (e, 36.6)	1783.5 (a, 146.3)	1793.9 (a', 246.9)
1873.0 (a, 995.6)	1864.6 (a, 307.6)	1858.4 (a'', 405.6)
1894.7 (e, 646.2)	1891.6 (a, 559.9)	1861.2 (a', 352.5)
1894.7 (e, 646.3)	1902.6 (a, 28.5)	1871.3 (a', 109.4)
1906.0 (a, 304.0)	1911.8 (a, 168.0)	1919.4 (a'', 27.3)
1922.3 (e, 450.6)	1932.9 (a, 637.3)	1938.5 (a'', 1436.9)
1922.3 (e, 450.5)	1950.9 (a, 1487.2)	1940.4 (a', 457.1)
1983.7 (a, 876.5)	1989.0 (a, 650.6)	1983.2 (a', 1391.9)
3171.2 (a, 0.4)	3173.3 (a, 0.1)	3175.0 (a'', 0.1)
3171.2 (e, 0.1)	3173.7 (a, 0.0)	3175.3 (a', 0.2)
3171.2 (e, 0.1)	3177.8 (a, 0.4)	3178.0 (a', 0.1)
3178.7 (a, 0.0)	3178.5 (a, 0.0)	3180.5 (a'', 0.0)
3178.7 (e, 0.1)	3179.8 (a, 0.2)	3181.0 (a', 0.4)
3178.7 (e, 0.1)	3183.7 (a, 0.8)	3188.5 (a'', 1.7)
3187.3 (e, 0.1)	3187.4 (a, 0.2)	3189.4 (a'', 0.0)
3187.3 (e, 0.1)	3188.1 (a, 1.3)	3190.0 (a', 0.1)
3187.3 (a, 1.5)	3189.2 (a, 0.1)	3192.4 (a'', 0.1)
3189.4 (a, 0.4)	3190.0 (a, 0.1)	3193.2 (a', 0.1)
3189.4 (e, 0.8)	3192.4 (a, 0.2)	3194.4 (a', 0.5)
3189.4 (e, 0.8)	3196.0 (a, 0.1)	3206.1 (a'', 0.4)
3203.4 (e, 0.0)	3201.3 (a, 1.5)	3206.5 (a'', 0.2)
3203.4 (e, 0.0)	3204.6 (a, 0.1)	3206.9 (a', 2.3)
3203.4 (a, 0.1)	3208.1 (a, 0.9)	3216.8 (a', 0.6)

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