

Relativistic Effects on Properties of the Elements at the End of the Periodic Table

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Chemical Studies

Volatile compounds:
 - chlorides
 - bromides
 - oxides

Volatile atoms

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H																	He
Li	Be											B	C	N	O	F	Ne
Na	Mg	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr
K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr
Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe
Cs	Ba	La*	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn
Fr	Ra	Act	Rf	Db	Sg	Bh	Hs	Mt	Ds	Rg	Cn	Nh	Fl	Mc	Lv	Ts	Og
119	120																
Lanthanides		Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb	Lu		
+ Actinides		Th	Pa	U	Np	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	Cf	Es	Fm	Md	No	Lr		

Chemical separation is relatively slow technique – $t_{1/2} < 1$ s can be studied



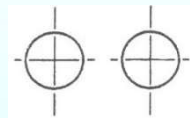
Relativistic Effects

$$m = m_0 / \sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}$$

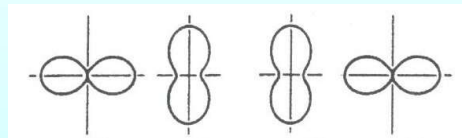
$$a_0 = 4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar^2 / me^2$$

$$E = -(2\pi^2e^4 / n^2\hbar^2)mZ^2,$$

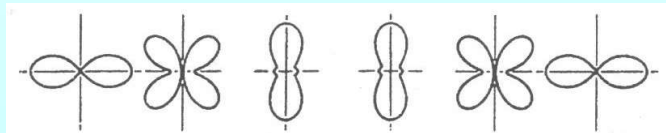
- contraction and stabilization of $s_{1/2}$ and $p_{1/2}$ orbitals



- expansion and destabilization of $p_{3/2}$ and $d_{3/2}$

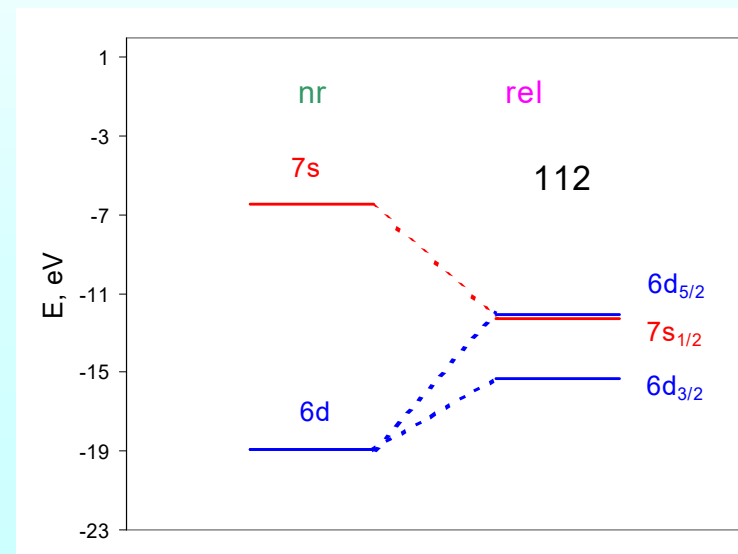
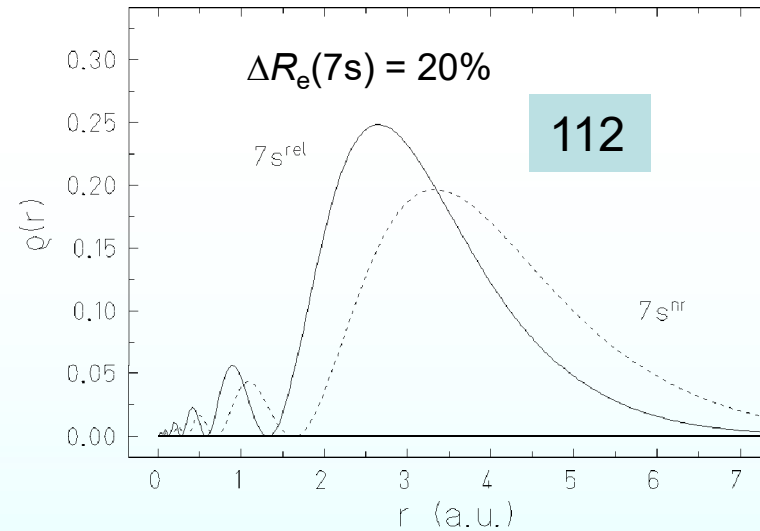


$d_{5/2}$ orbitals

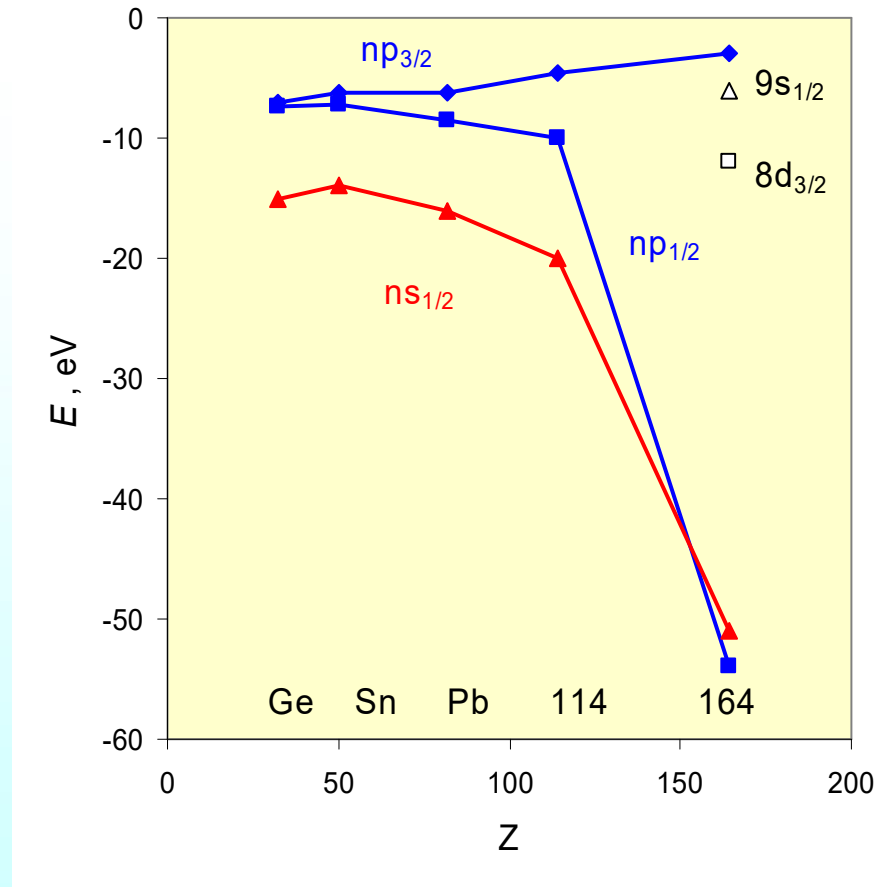


- SO splitting of p, d, f orbitals: $j = l \pm s$

scale as $\sim Z^2$



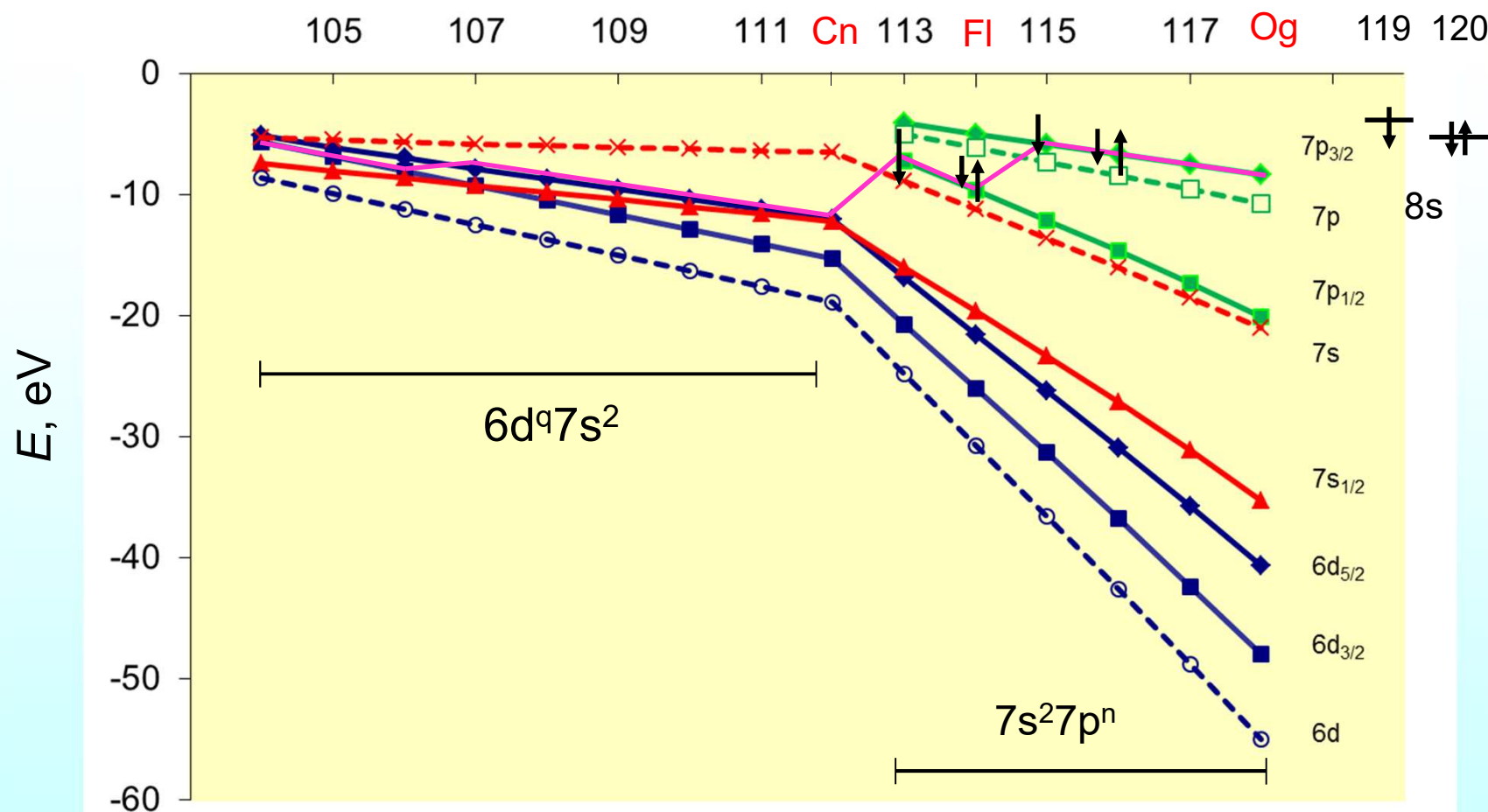
Trends in the ns and np AO Energies



B. Fricke, *Struct. Bond.* **21**,89 (1975)

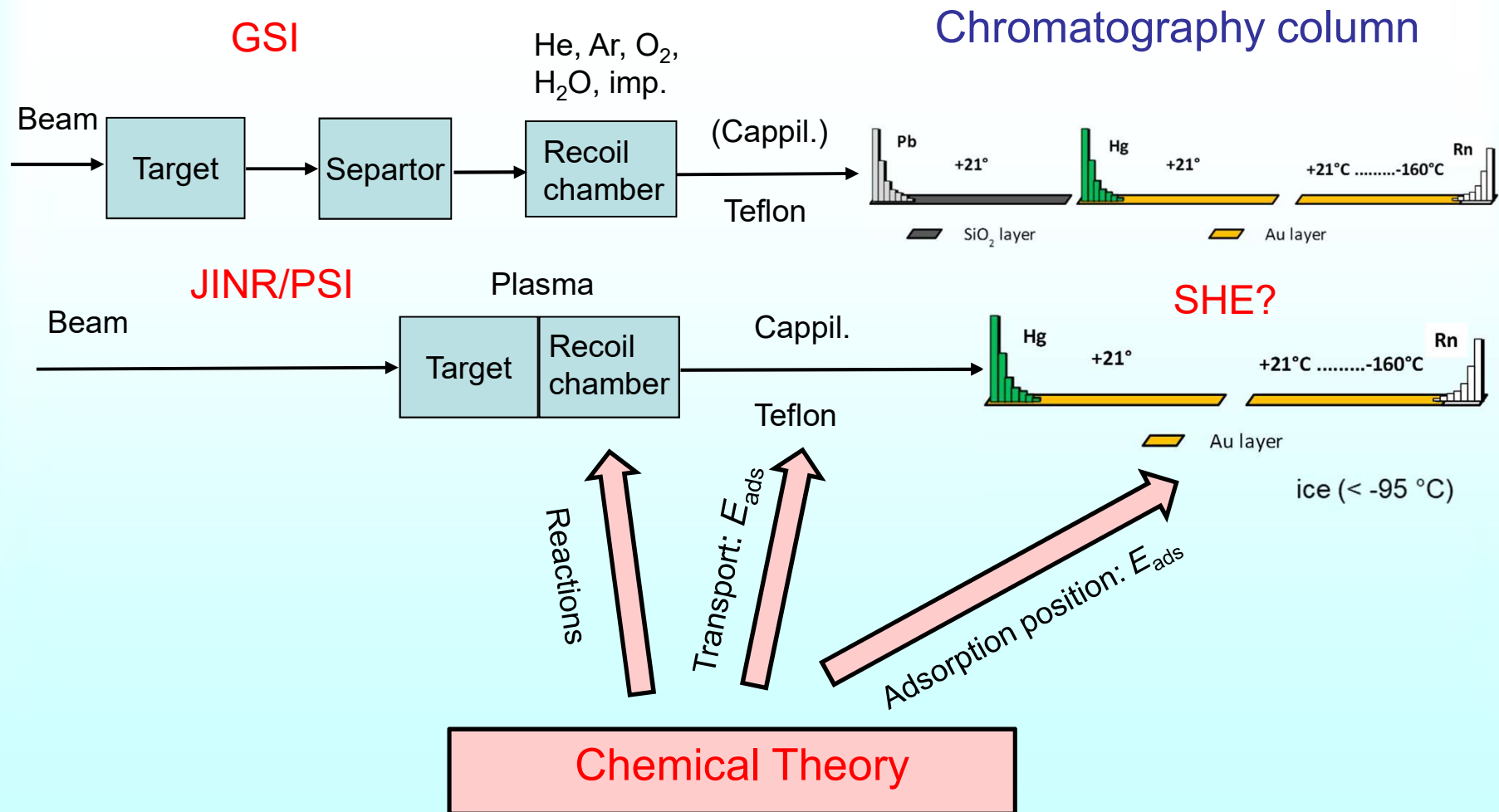
Relativistic and Nonrelativistic Energies of Valence AOs

E119 = - 4.3 eV
E120 = - 5.2 eV



[DF energies: Desclaux, At. Dat. Nucl. Dat. Tables (1973)]

Gas-Phase Chromatography Experiments on SHEs



Theoretical Tasks

- Predictions of atomic properties
 - Production (for calculations of mean charge of heavy ions moving in a gas - for gas-filled separators)
 - Transport through capillaries for chemical experiments (interaction with Teflon, PE)
- Predictions of chemical properties and reactivity
 - Reactions in the gas phase
 - Adsorption on metal (Au) and non-metal (Si_3N_4 , quartz, ice) surfaces of the chromatography column

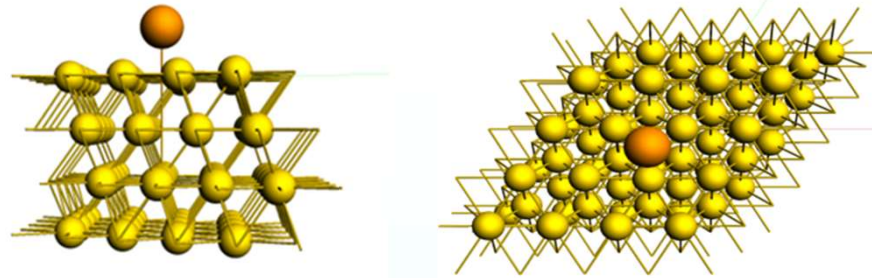
Methods and Software

- **Atomic**
 - DIRAC (2c/4c-DFT + CC – *ab-initio*; all electron)
 - Tel Aviv code (E. Eliav, *et al*)
- **Molecular**
 - ADF (SCM)
 - 2c-DFT; all-electron; geometry optimization, STO basis sets for SHEs
 - *commercial & host-locked*
 - DIRAC
 - 2c/4c-DFT + CC – *ab-initio*; all electron, Gaussian orbitals; poor geometry optimization, *free-of-charge*
- **Solid state – (DFT) periodic**
 - SCM BAND
 - 2c-SR and SO relativity, all electron, fast geometry optimization, full relaxation, dispersion-corrected E^{xc} , *-commercial & host-locked*
 - VASP – Pseudo Potentials

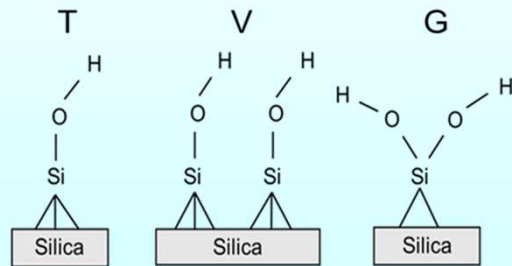
$$E[\rho] = T_s[\rho] + \int d\mathbf{r} v_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r})\rho(\mathbf{r}) + E_{\text{H}}[\rho] + E_{\text{xc}}[\rho],$$

Modeling of Gold and Quartz Surfaces

- Au(111)

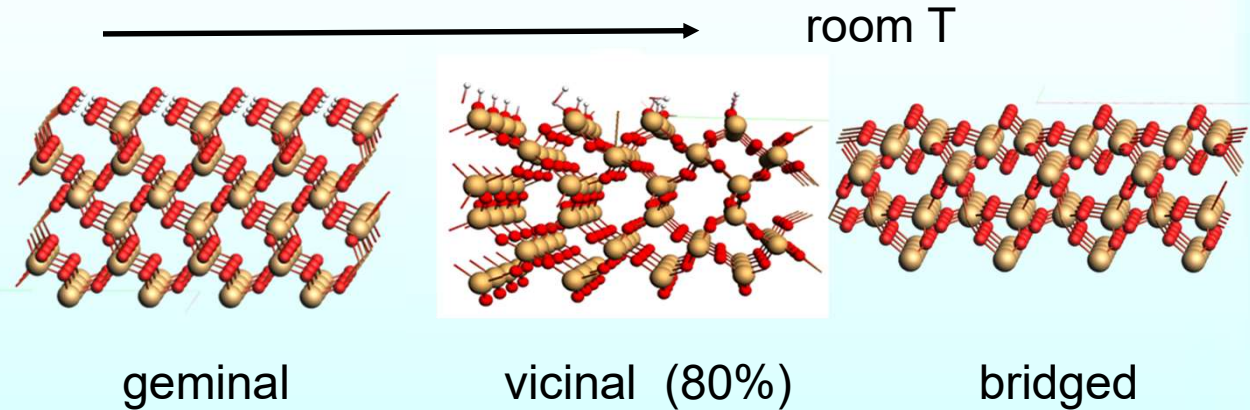


- Quartz

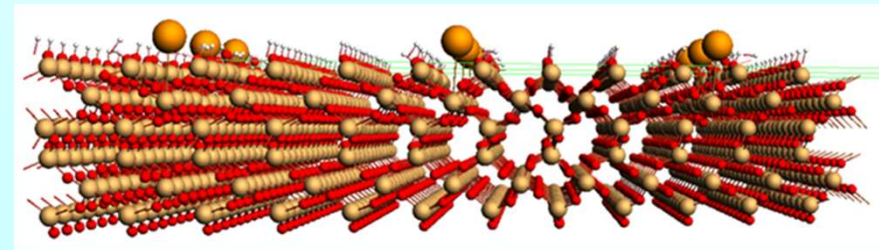


stability

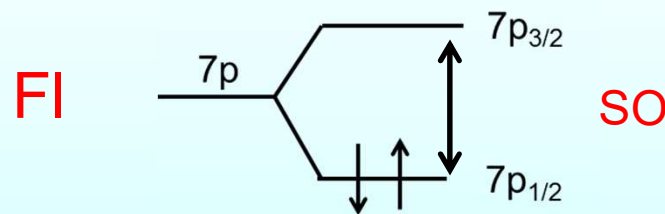
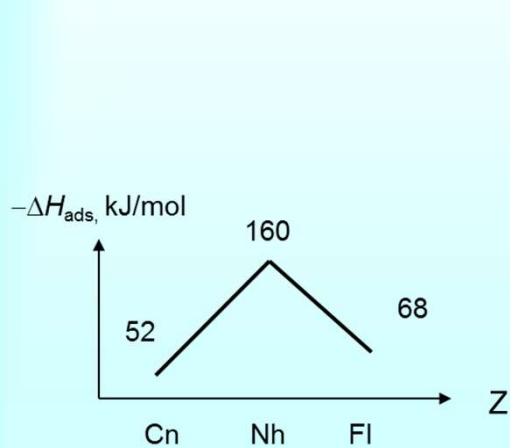
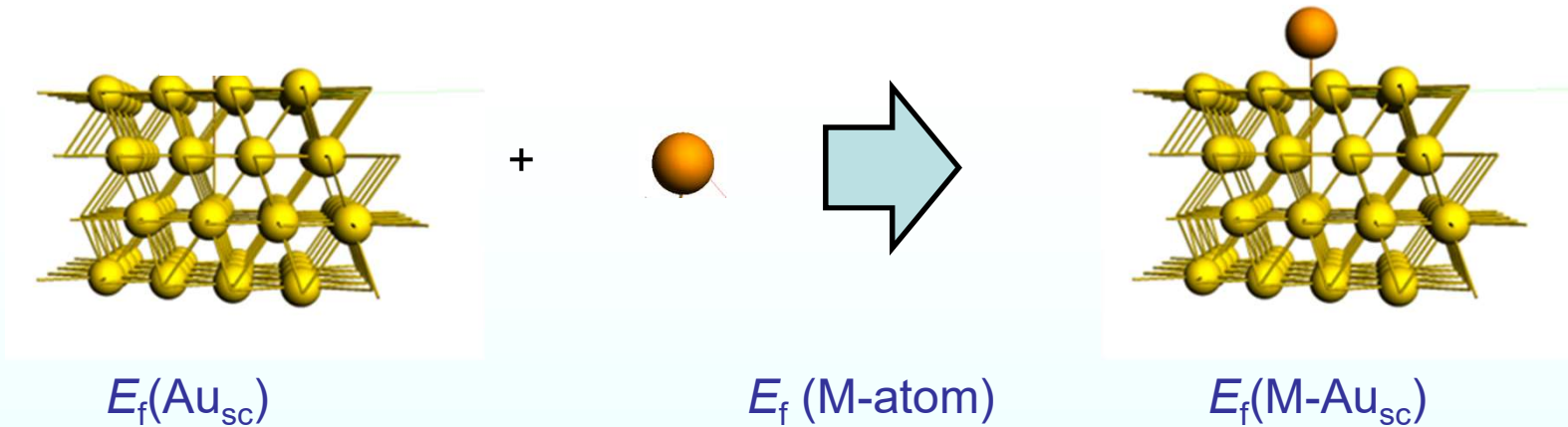
temperature



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supercell



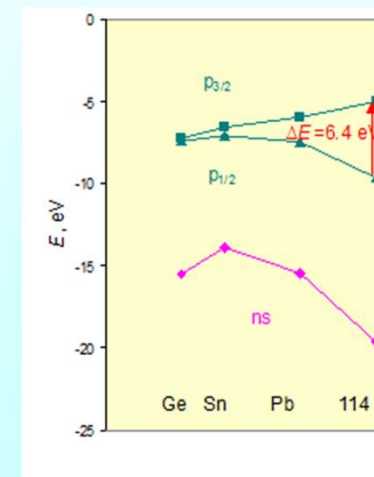
ADF BAND Calculations of E_{ads} of M on Au(111) Surface



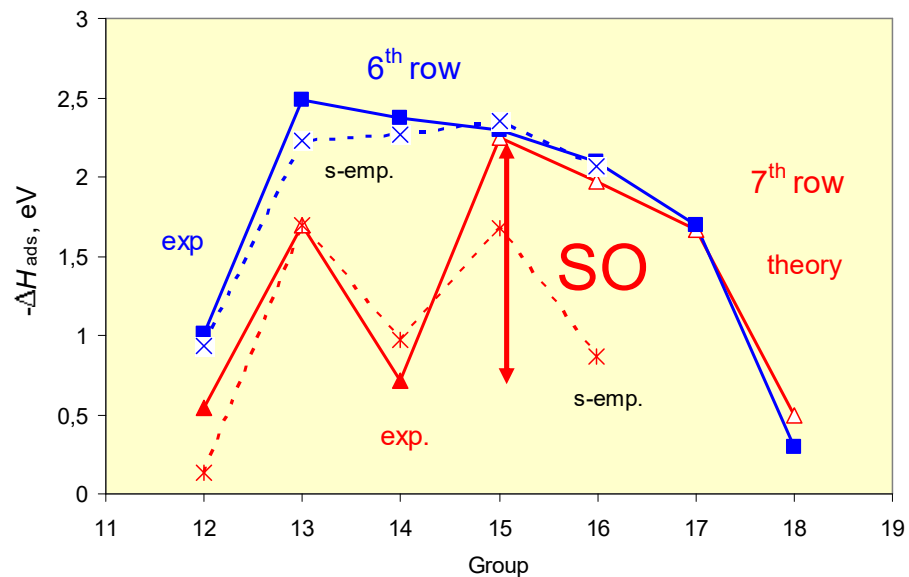
$$E_{\text{ads}} = - E_f[\text{M-Au}_{\text{sc}}] - E_f(\text{M}) - E_f[\text{Au}_{\text{sc}}]$$

$E_f(\text{SO})$:

Cn:	0 eV
Nh:	2.01 eV (194 kJ/mol)
Fl:	5.12 eV (494 kJ/mol)

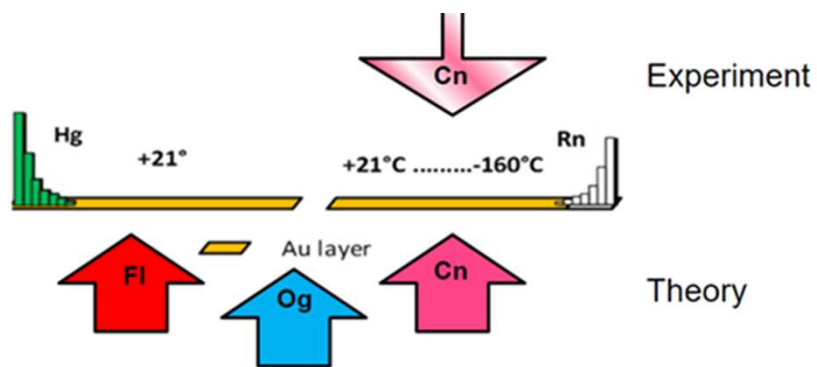


Adsorption of SHEs on the Au(111) Surface



$-\Delta H_{\text{ads}}$ on gold, kJ/mol

Element	theory	exp.
Cn	45	52
Nh	159	-
Fl	86	35, > 52
Mc	217	Fl and FlO ₂ ?
Lv	190	-
Ts	161	-
Og	78	-
	70 (Tr)	



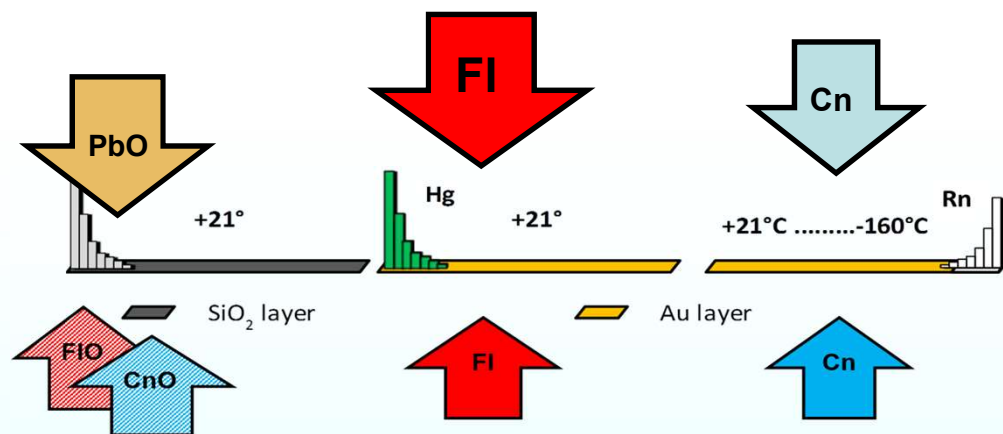
V. Pershina, *et al.* JCP, **133**, 104304 (2010)

A. Ryzhkov, V. Pershina, *et al.* PCCP, **25**, 15362 (2023)

L. Thrombach, *et al.* PCCP, **21**, 18048 (2019)

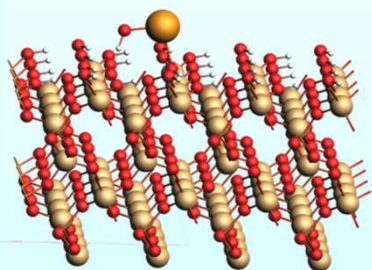
Only E_{ads} of Cn, Og and Fl can be measured

$E_{ads}(M/MO)$ on Quartz and Gold

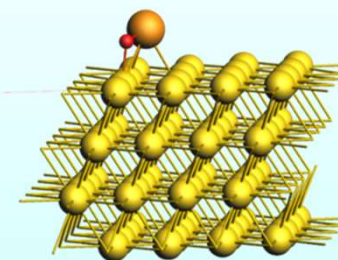
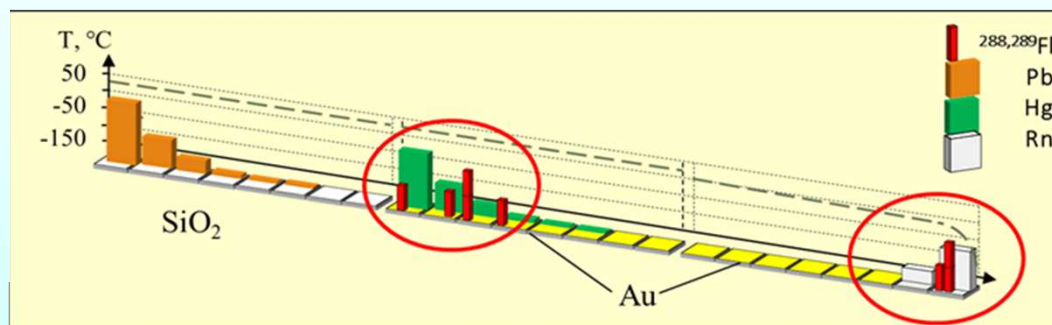


experiment

theory



quartz

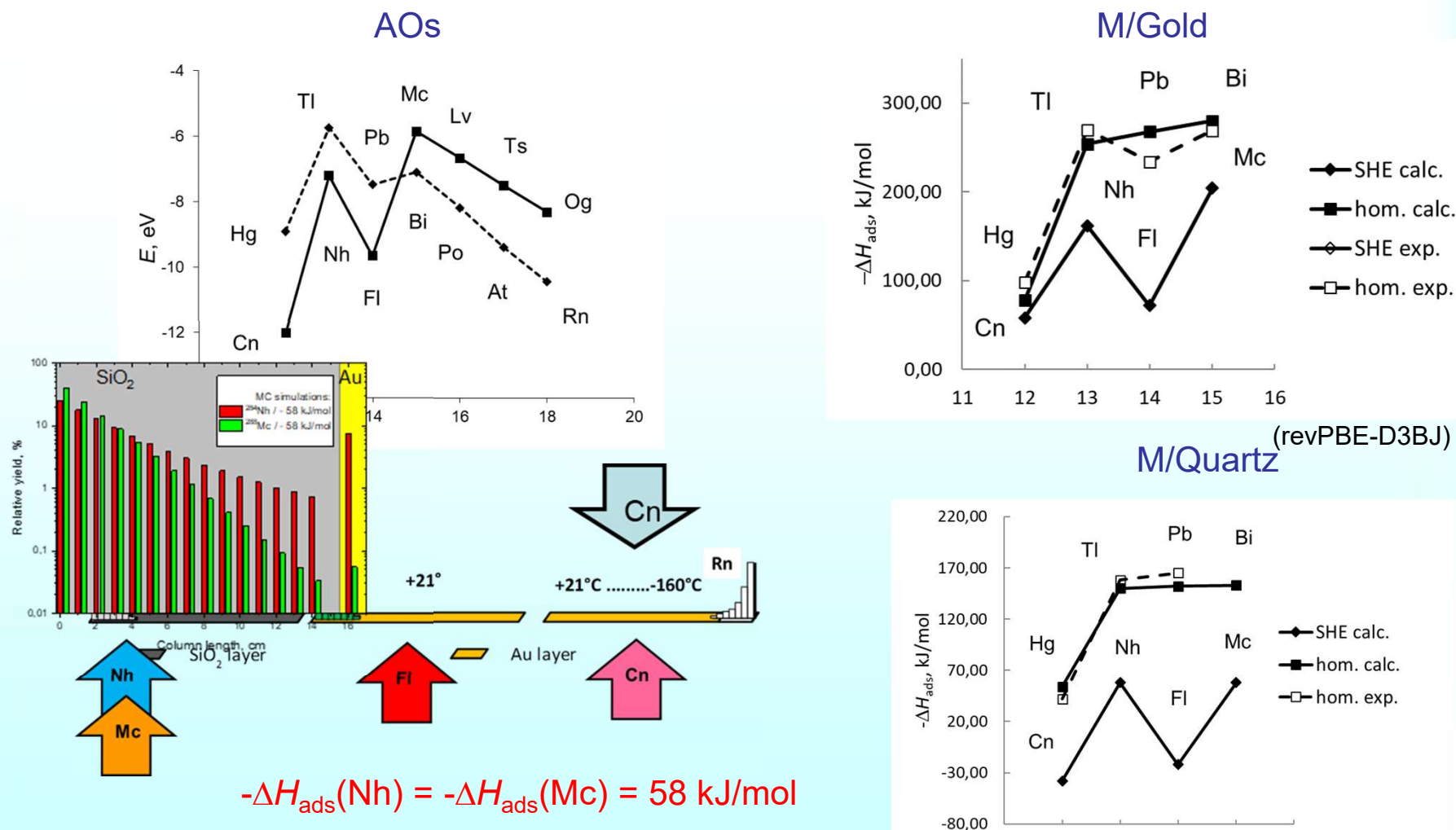


Au

Theory: V. Pershina and M. Ilias, *Dalton Trans.* **51**, 7321 (2022) ?

Experiment: A. Yakushev, *et al. Frontiers* (2022)

Calculations of E_{ads} of Group 12-15 Elements on Gold and Quartz



Theory: V. Pershina, M. Ilias, A. Yakushev, *Inorg. Chem.* **60**, 9796 (2021)
 Experiment on Nh and Mc: A. Yakushev, *et al. Frontiers* (2024)

At and Ts on Quartz

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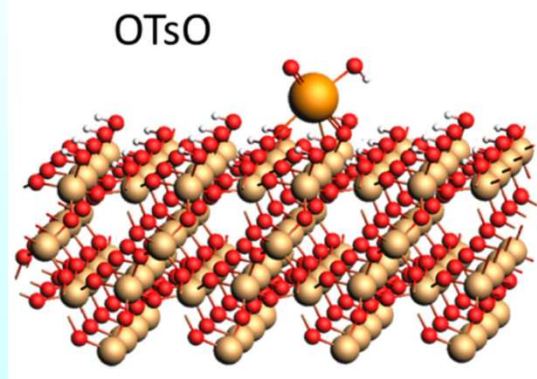


RESEARCH ARTICLE



Theoretical predictions of properties and adsorption behaviour of a superheavy element Ts and its lighter homolog At, and of their various gas-phase compounds, on hydroxylated quartz surfaces from periodic DFT calculations

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At < Ts

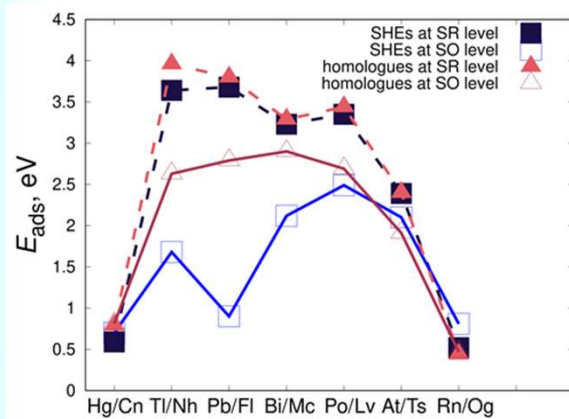
Table 9. Summary of the calculated adsorption energies of the At and Ts species on the Q(G) and Q(V) surfaces in comparison with experimental $-\Delta H_{\text{ads}}$ (in kJ/mol). (The radicals are marked with a star).

Adsorbed species	At				Ts	
	Theory		Experiment		Theory	
	Q(G)	Q(V)	Quartz	Conditions	Q(G)	Q(V)
M	26	20	123 ± 10^a	H ₂	23	20
MH	31	41			32	48
MOH	36	42	47 ± 5^a < 65^b	He/H ₂ O He/Ar	29	47
MO*	39	77			105	125
MOO*	34	34	$80 \pm 5^{a,c}$	He/O ₂ /H ₂ O	35	49
OMO*	76	98	$80 \pm 5^{a,c}$	He/O ₂ /H ₂ O	135	158
OMOH	43	99			96	109
MO(OH)	59	83			52	69

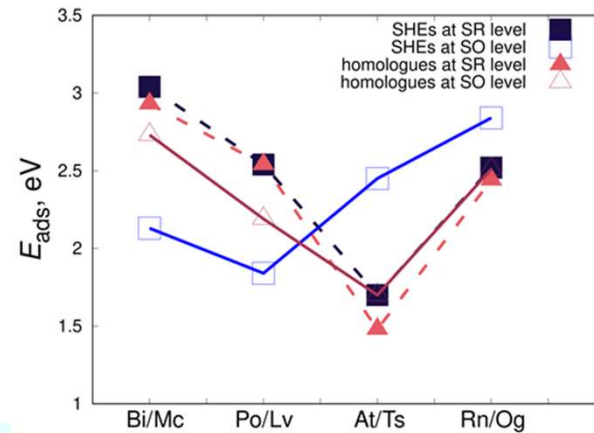
Experiment: ^a A. Serov, RA (2011) ; ^b N. Chiera, Mol. Phys. (2023).

E_{ads} (in kJ/mol) of M, MH and MOH (M = Rn and Og) on Gold

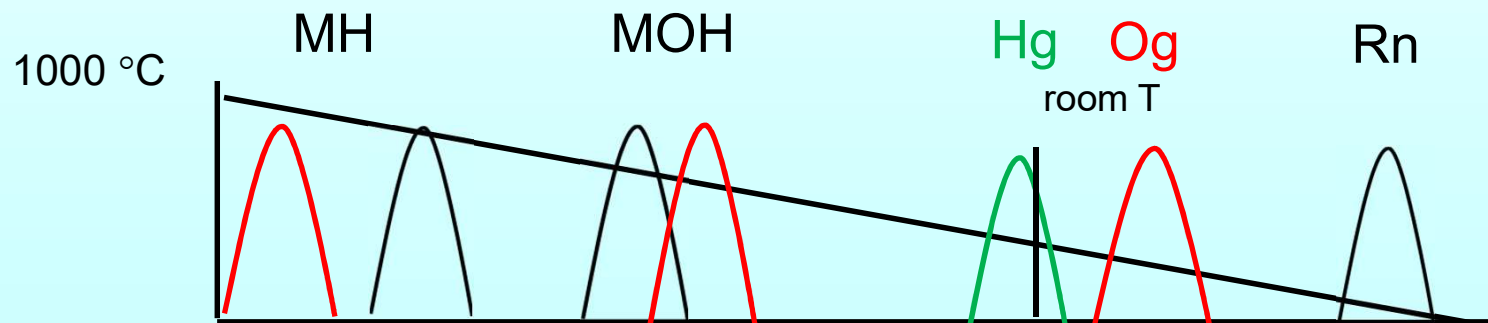
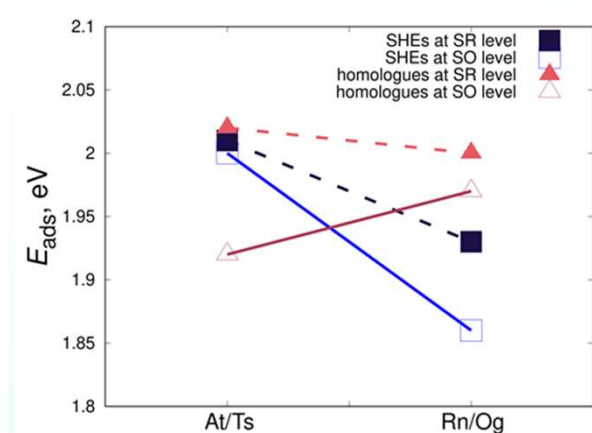
M



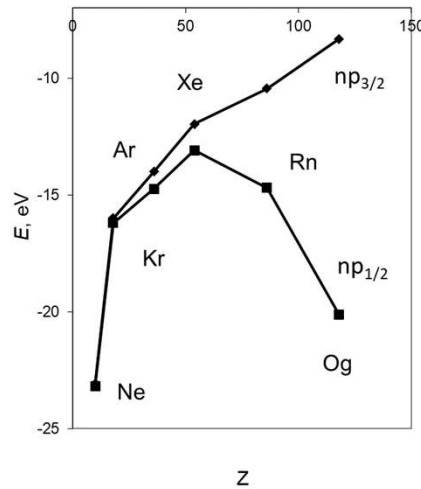
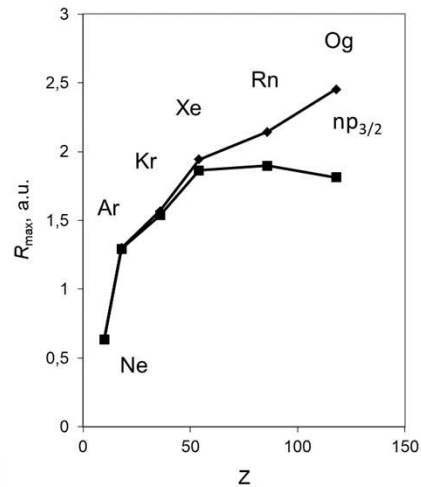
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MOH



Atomic Orbitals and Properties of Group-18 Elements: Smooth Trends

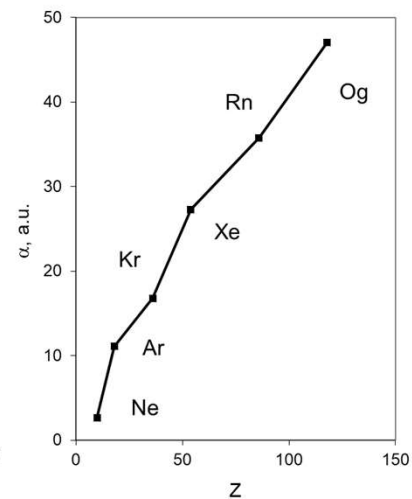
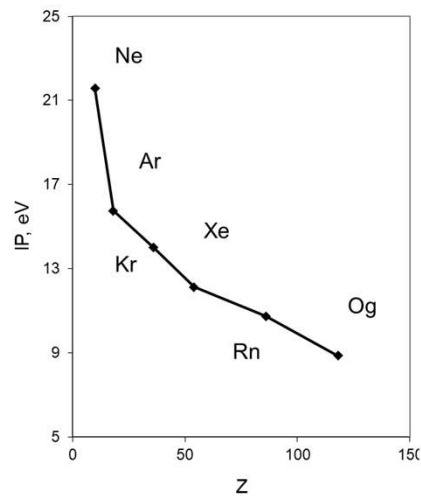
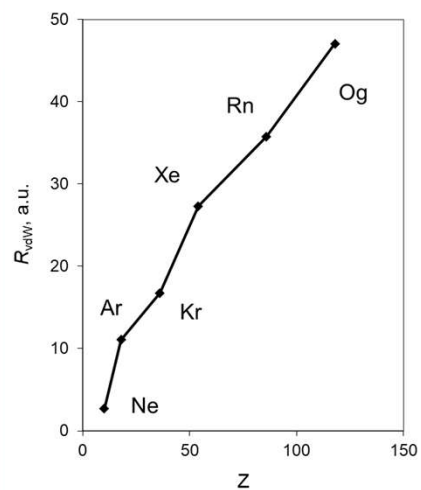


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J. P. Desclaux, *At. Dat. Nucl. Dat. Tab.*, **12**, 311 (1973)

DC CCSD(T) calculations:

V. Pershina, ... E. Eliav, *et al*,
J. Chem. Phys. **129**, 144106
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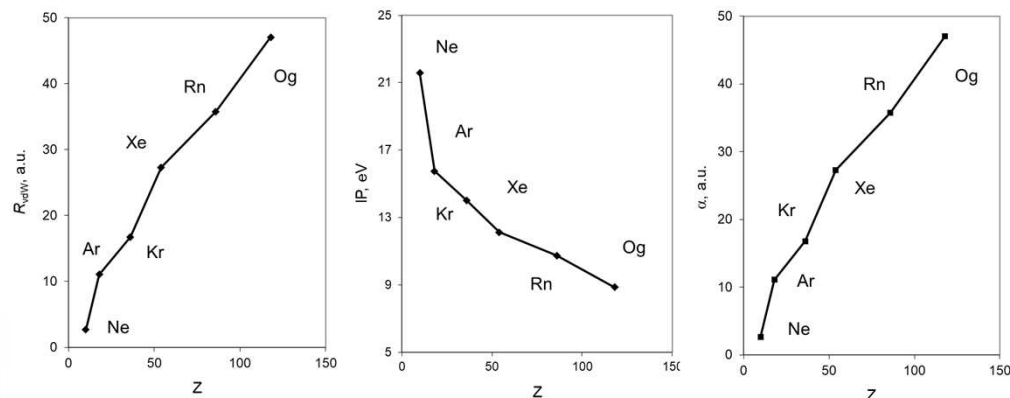


Smooth Trends in AOs: Og deviates?

Adsorption of inert gases including element 118 on noble metal and inert surfaces from *ab initio* Dirac-Coulomb atomic calculations

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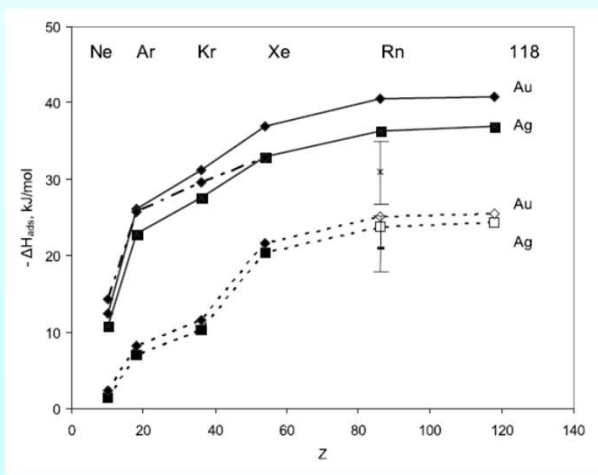
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Van der Waals interaction energy

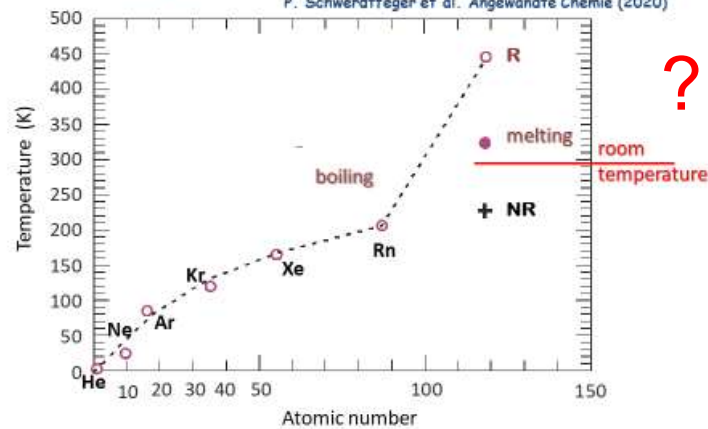
$$E(x) = -\frac{3}{16} \left(\frac{\epsilon - 1}{\epsilon + 2} \right) \frac{\alpha_{mol}}{\left(\frac{1}{IP_{slab}} + \frac{1}{IP_{mol}} \right) x^3} \quad x \approx R_{vdW}$$

Physisorption on surfaces



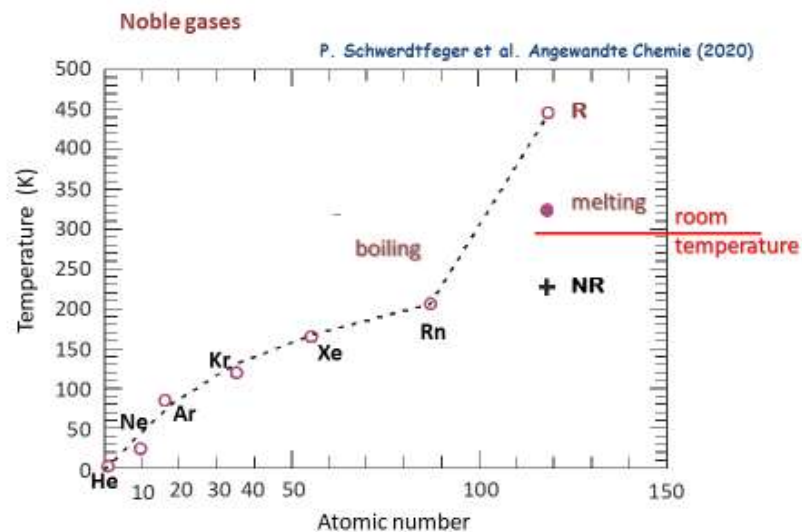
noble gases

P. Schwerdtfeger et al. Angewandte Chemie (2020)



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Smooth Trends: Og is Solid?

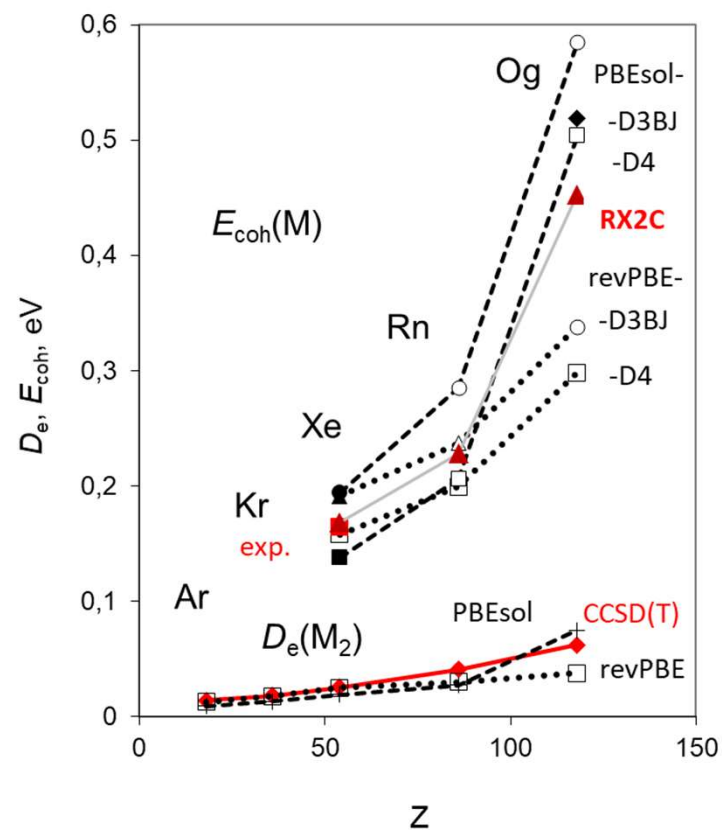


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$$E[\rho] = T_s[\rho] + \int d\mathbf{r} v_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{r})\rho(\mathbf{r}) + E_H[\rho] + E_{\text{xc}}[\rho],$$

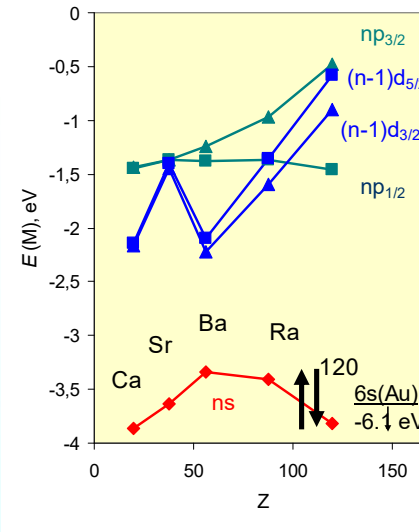
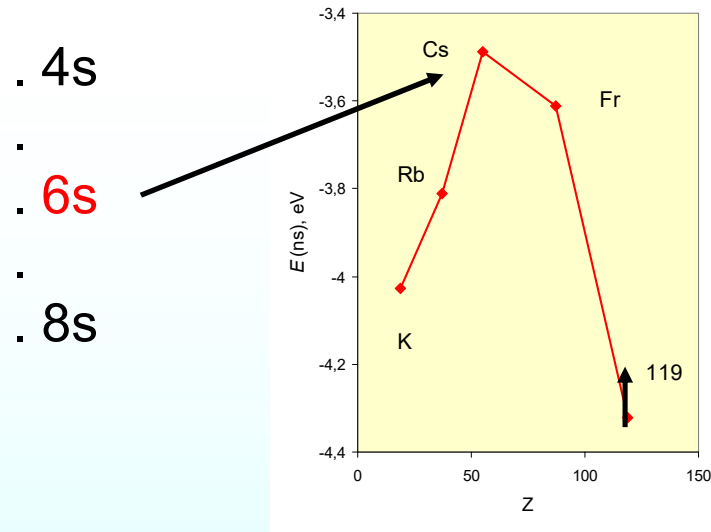
Exact form of exchange-correlation functional (E_{xc}) for Og is unknown

The trend depends on E_{xc}
(A. Ryzhkov, Ch. Talandini, *et. al.*, preliminary)

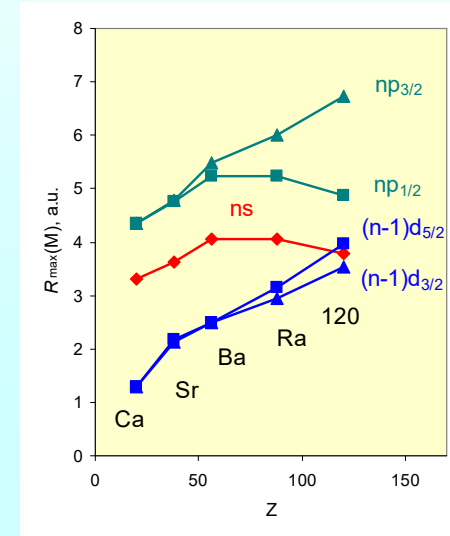
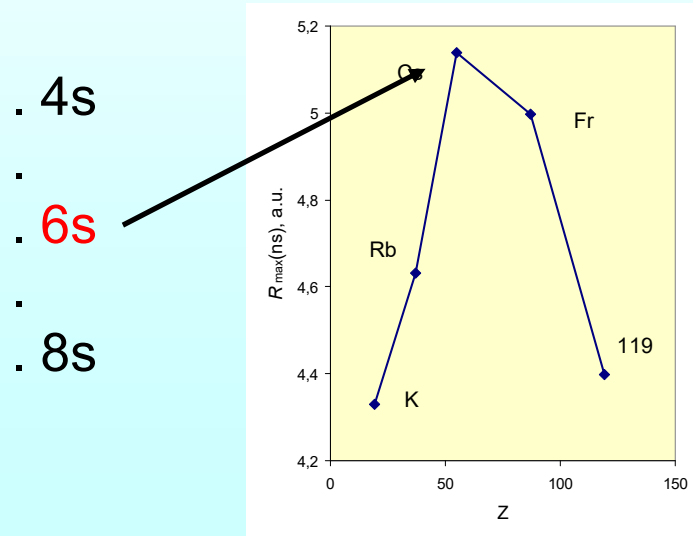


(RX2C: P. Jerabeck, et al.
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Atomic Orbitals of Group-1 (ns^1) and Group-2 (ns^2) Elements





A reversal of trends



Theory Studies on Elements 119 and 120

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- **Theoretical predictions of properties and adsorption behavior of group 1 and 2 elements, including elements 119 and 120, on the surface of gold from periodic DFT calculations** (2023)

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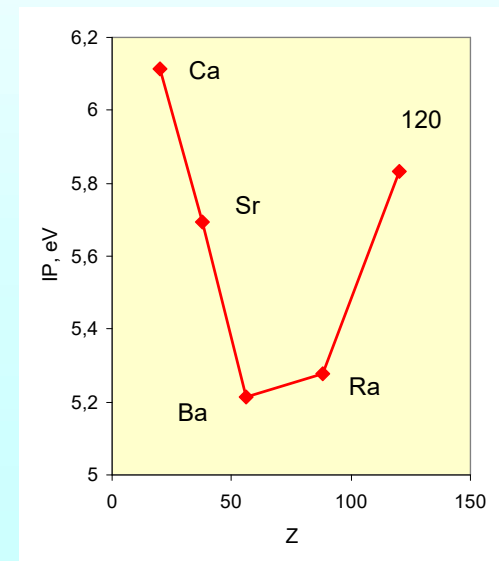
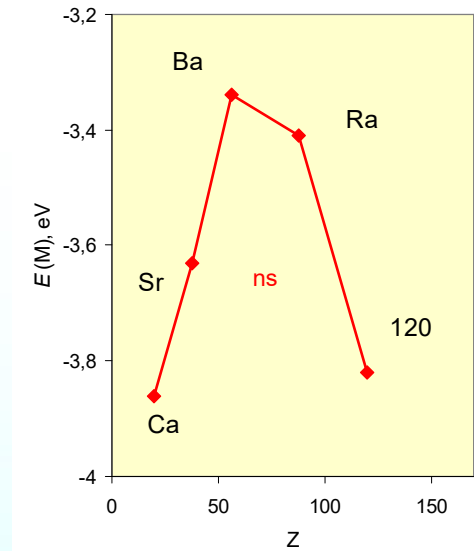
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Ionization Potentials and Electron Transitions

IPs (in eV) and EE (in cm^{-1})

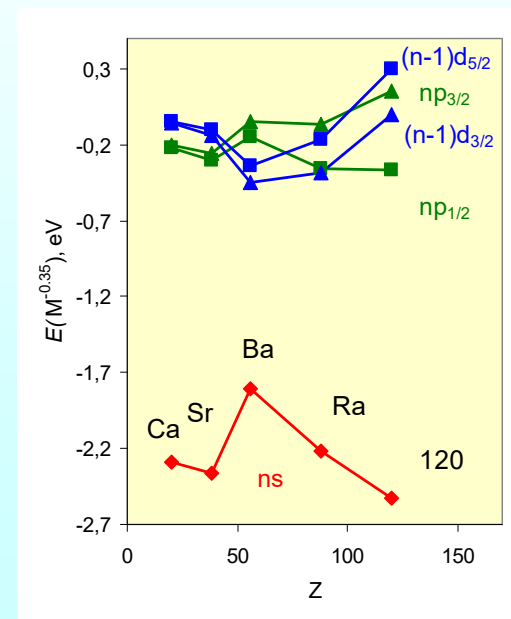
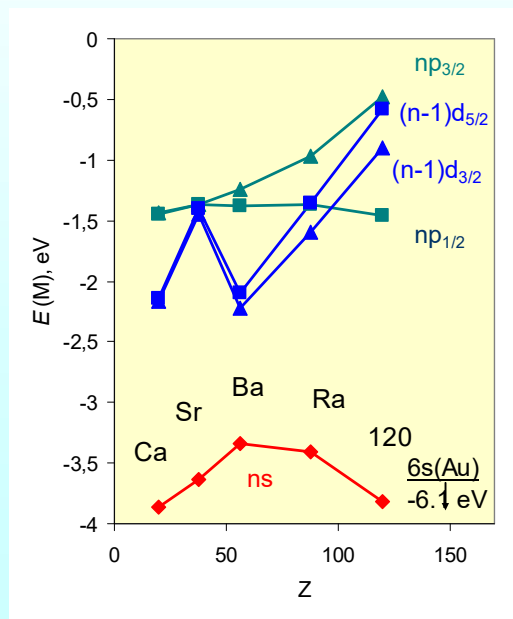
Element	IP/E	To state	XIHFSCC (present)	CI+MBPT (Dinh)	Exp.
Ra	IP1	$7s^1 (^2S)$	5.283 5.277 (QED)	5.274	5.279
	IP2	$7s^0 (^1S)$	10.177	10.172	10.148
120	IP1	$7s^1 (^2S)$	5.851 5.838 (QED)	5.864	-
	IP2	$7s^0 (^1S)$	11.137	11.150	-
	EE	$8s8p (^3P_0)$	15648	15777	-
		$7d8s (^3D_1)$	22903	22985	-
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		$8s9p (^3P_2)$	37369	-	-



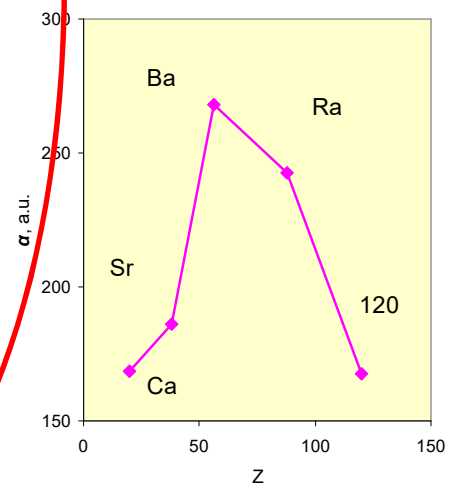
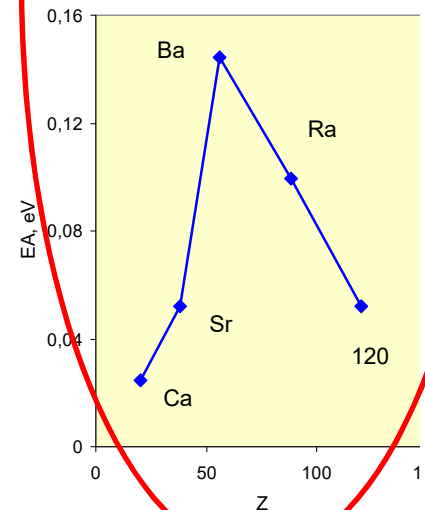
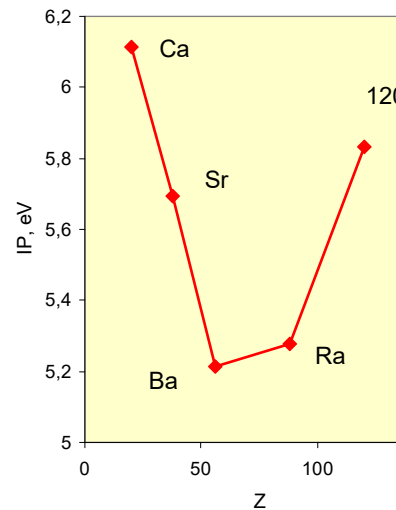
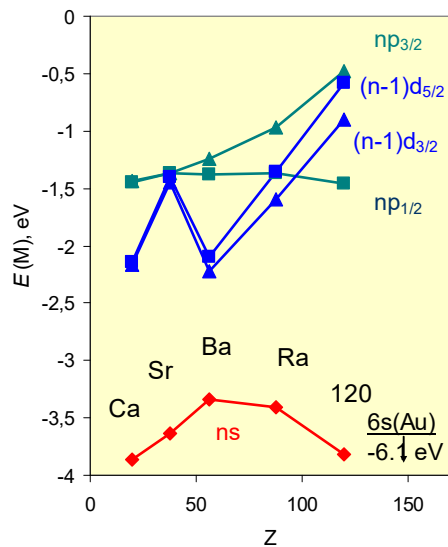
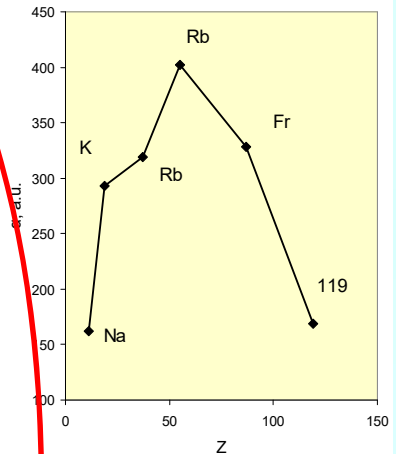
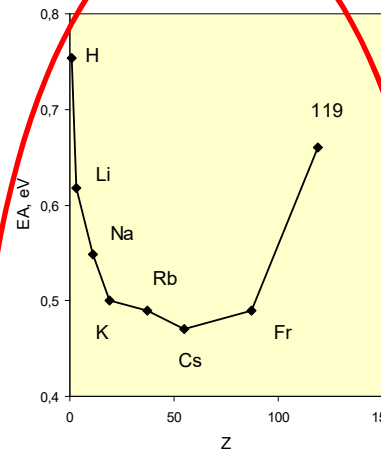
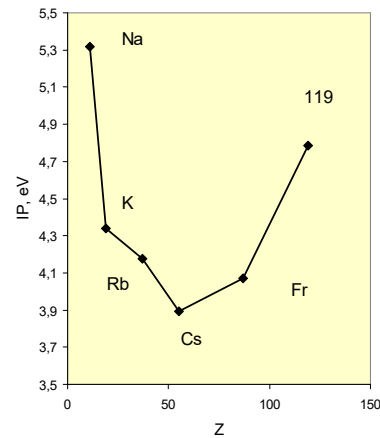
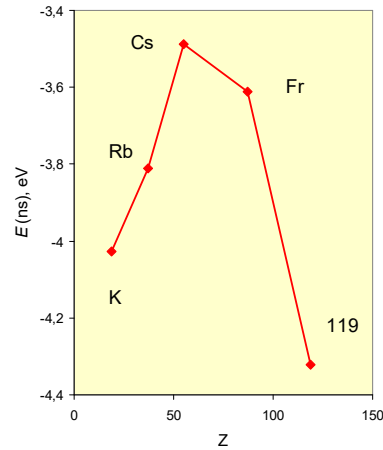
Calculations of EAs

Electron Affinities (in meV)

Elem.	State	DHF	RCCSD	RCCSD(T)	Exp.
Ba ⁻	6s ² 6p (² P)	-0.143	0.070	0.138	0.144
Ra ⁻	7s ² 7p (² P)	-0.099	0.042	0.082	
120 ⁻	8s ² 8p (² P)	-0.121	-0.002	0.021	-

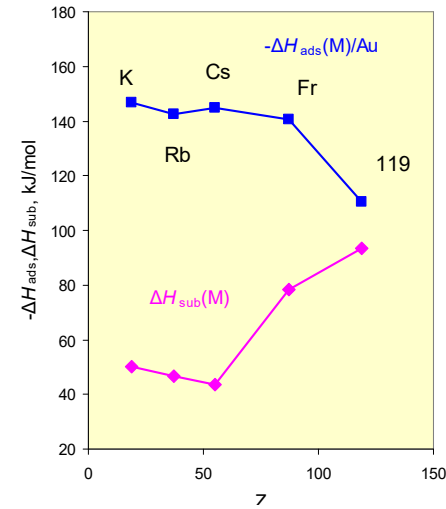
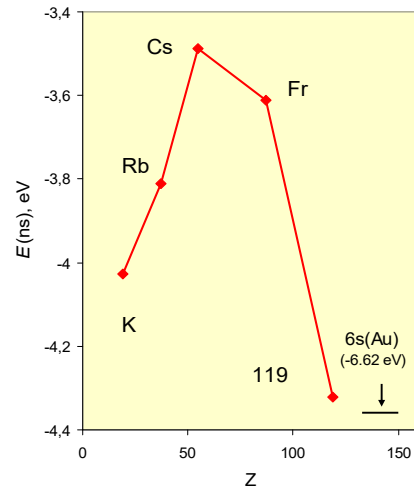


Atomic Properties of Group-1 and 2 Elements



Sublimation and Adsorption of Group-1 and 2 Elements

Group 1: ns^1

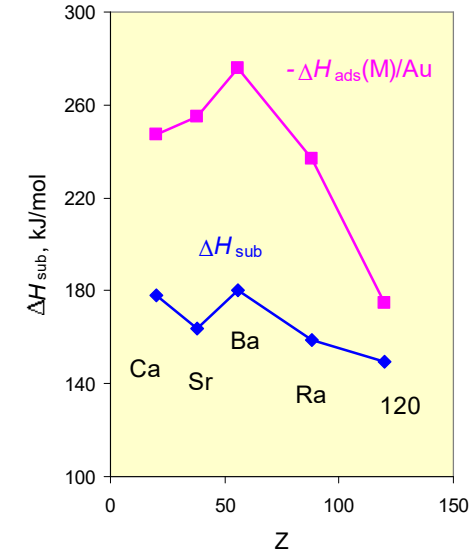
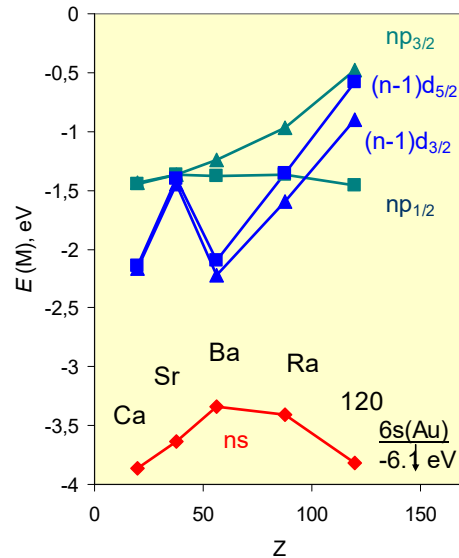


$-\Delta H_{ads}/\Delta H_{sub}$

ionic bond

covalent bond

Group 2: ns^2



ionic bond

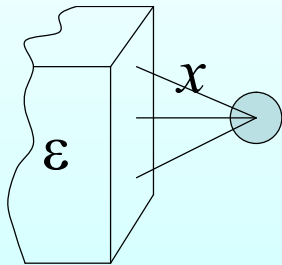
vdW bond

Predictions of Transportation of E120

- Relative yield after a capillar

$$\frac{N}{N_0} = e^{-\lambda t} = e^{-\frac{\ln 2}{T_{1/2}} t_R} \quad t_R = \frac{l a_l u}{Q} \frac{\tau_0}{4} e^{-\frac{E}{k^B T_C}}$$

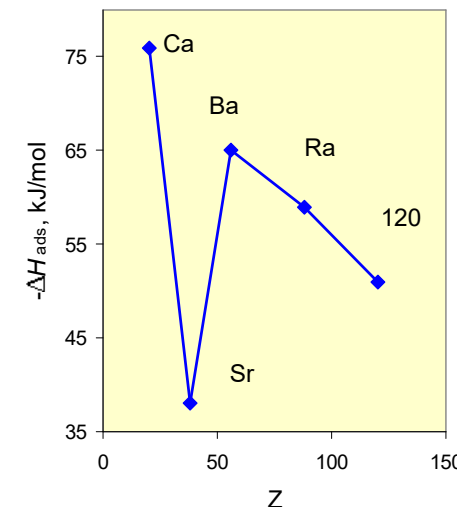
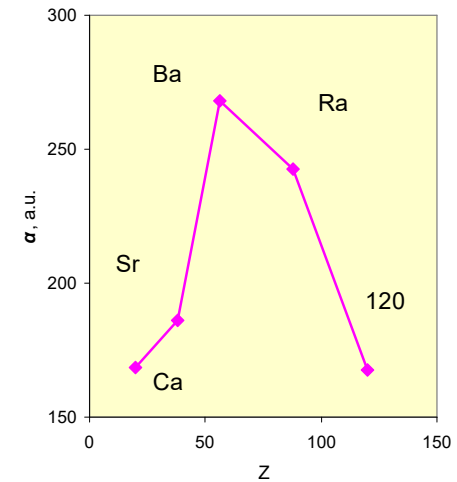
- Adsorption model



$$E(x) = -\frac{3}{16} \left(\frac{\epsilon - 1}{\epsilon + 2} \right) \frac{\alpha_{at}}{\left(\frac{1}{IP_{slab}} + \frac{1}{IP_{at}} \right) x^3}$$

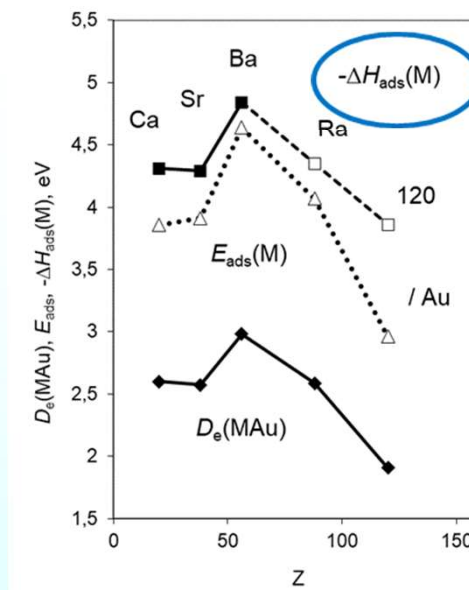
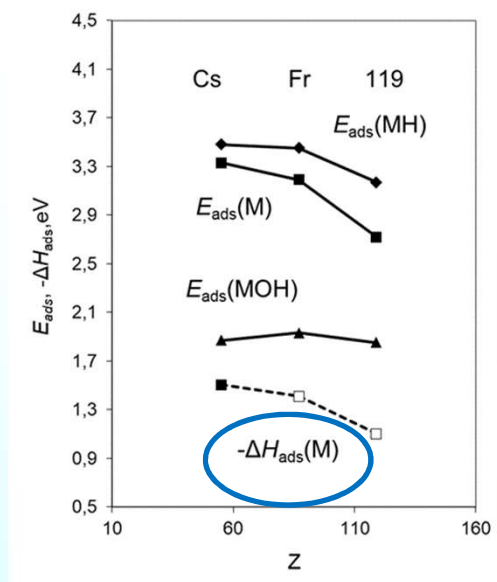
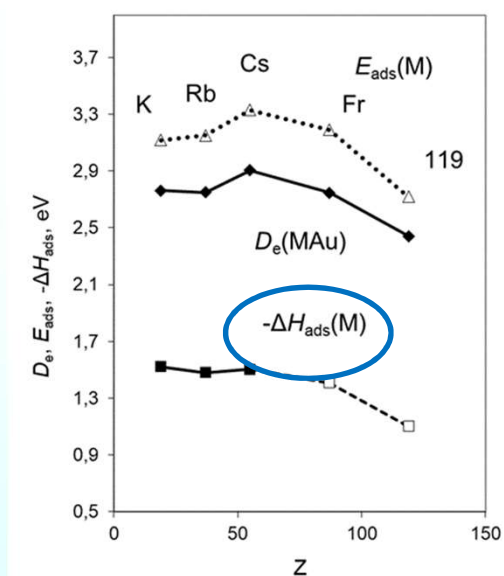
For: $T_{1/2} = 1$ s; $T_C = 25$ °C; $l = 1$ m

$N/N_0 = 77$ %

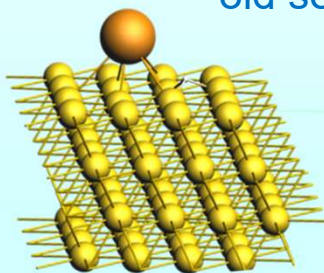


(51 kJ/mol)

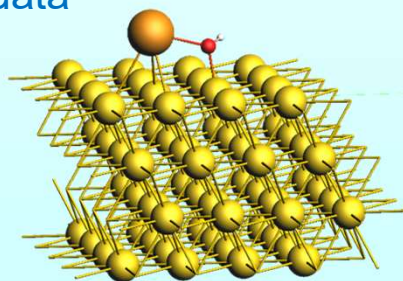
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old semi-emp. data



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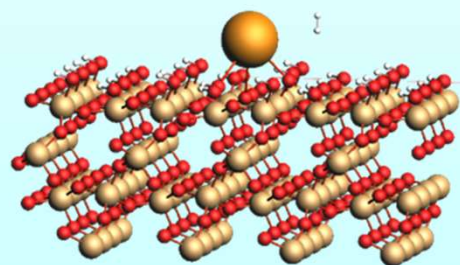
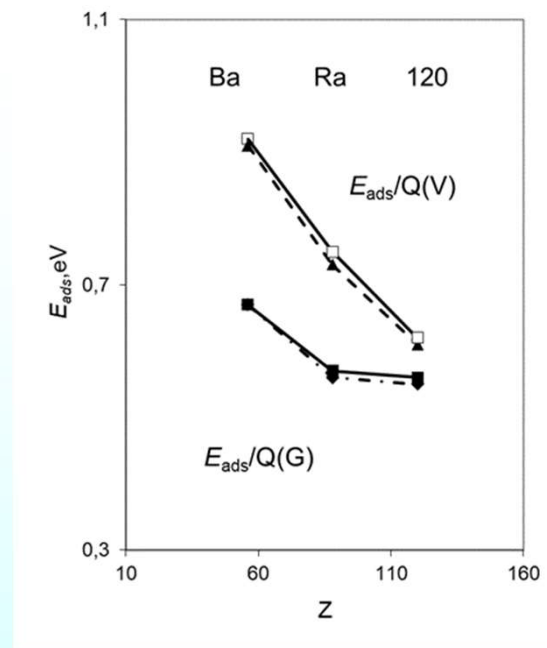
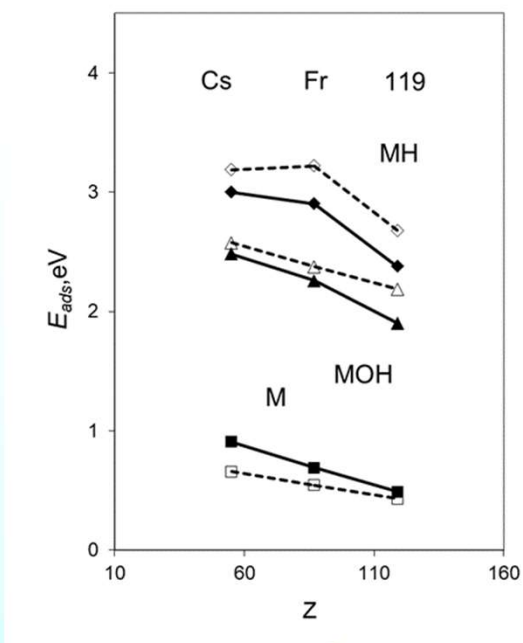
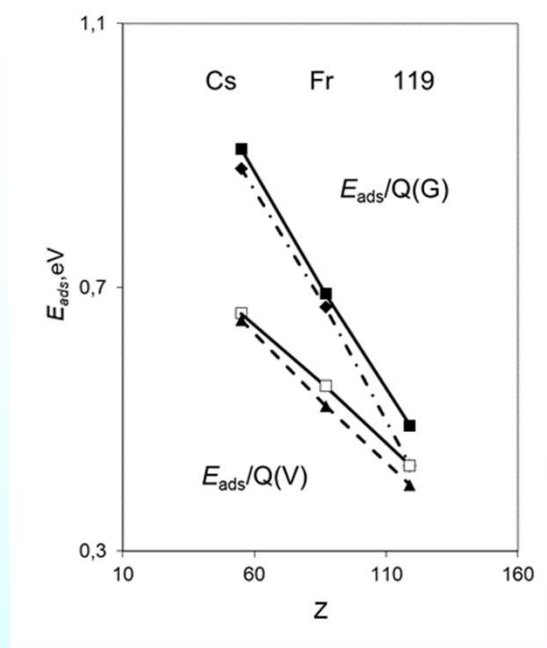
$$E_{\text{ads}}(119) = 260 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

$$E_{\text{ads}}(119\text{OH}) = 185 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

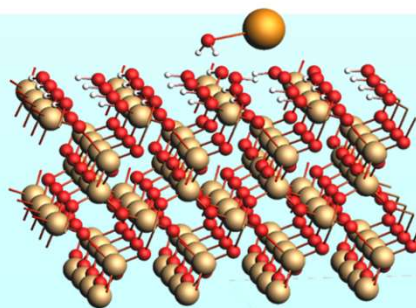
$$E_{\text{ads}}(120) = 286 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

V. Pershina, M. Ilias, Mol. Phys. (2023)

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$$E_{\text{ads}}(119) = 50 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

$$E_{\text{ads}}(119\text{OH}) = 211 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

$$E_{\text{ads}}(120) = 60 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

M. Ilias, V. Pershina, Mol. Phys. (2024)

Conclusions

- RE are important for Nh ($7p_{1/2}$) and Fl ($7p_{1/2}^2$) making them more inert
- RE on Mc-Og ($np_{3/2}^n$) are not spectacular, trends are a smooth prolongation from the lighter elements
 - Og should be similar to Rn, noble gas (?)
 - Og should adsorb on gold and can be detected by present techniques
- RE on E119 (ns^1) and E120 (ns^2) are spectacular due to the contraction and stabilization of the ns AO, a reversal of trends in the groups from the 6th row
 - E120⁻ is stabilized by the electron correlation
 - E_{ads} of E119 and E120 on gold are very high
 - E_{ads} on quartz are low and can be measured by the present techniques

Thank you for your attention !