

Reaction Mechanism and Dynamics for C8-hydroxylation of 9-Methylguanine Radical Cation by Water Molecules

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Instrumentation and Experimental Methods

Collision-induced reactions of $9\text{MG}^{\bullet+}\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ were measured on a home-built guided-ion beam scattering tandem mass spectrometer. The apparatus consists of an electrospray ionization (ESI) ion source, a radio frequency (rf) hexapole ion guide, a quadrupole mass filter, an rf octopole ion guide running through a scattering cell, a second quadrupole mass filter and a pulse-counting electron multiplier ion detector. Details of the instrument can be found in previous reports.^{1,2}

$9\text{MG}^{\bullet+}\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ was generated by ESI of Cu(II)-9MG complexes, following the methods reported by the O'Hair group³⁻⁶ and the Bohme group.⁷ A 2:1 (v : v) methanol/water solution of 0.25 mM $\text{Cu}(\text{NO}_3)_2$ (Alfa Aesar, 99.999%) and 0.5 mM 9MG (Chemodex, > 98%) was freshly prepared and sprayed into the air through an ESI needle at a flow rate of 0.06 mL/hr. The ESI needle was maintained at 2.7 kV with respect to the ground. The Cu(II) complexes of 9MG formed in the electrospray entered the source chamber of the mass spectrometer through a desolvation capillary which is located 7 mm away from the tip of the ESI needle. The capillary was biased at 145 V with respect to the ground and heated up to 175 °C. Charged droplets underwent desolvation as they passed through the heated capillary. The source chamber was evacuated to a pressure of 1.7 τ . A skimmer with a 1.0 mm-diameter orifice was located 3 mm away from the end of the desolvation capillary, separating the source chamber and the hexapole ion guide. The skimmer was biased at 20 V with respect to the ground. The electrical field between the capillary and the skimmer prompted dissociation of $\text{Cu}^{\text{II}}\text{-9MG}$ complexes with the background gas in the source chamber, of which the $9\text{MG}^{\bullet+}$ radical cations were formed by the redox separation of $[\text{Cu}^{\text{II}}(9\text{MG})_3]^{\bullet 2+} \rightarrow [\text{Cu}^{\text{I}}(9\text{MG})_2]^+ + 9\text{MG}^{\bullet+}$.^{3-5,7} Under mild heating and collision conditions, both dry and hydrated $9\text{MG}^{\bullet+}$ ions were produced in the ion beam. The ion beam intensities of $9\text{MG}^{\bullet+}$ and $9\text{MG}^{\bullet+}\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ were 1.5×10^6 and 5×10^3 count/s, respectively.

The radical cations were transported into the hexapole ion guide for collisional focusing and thermalization to 310 K, followed by mass selection of $9\text{MG}^{\bullet+}\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ($m/z = 183$) in the first quadrupole mass filter. By the combination of collisional damping in the hexapole and reducing the radius of the ion beam at the exit of the first quadrupole, initial kinetic energy of the ion beam was reduced to 0.8 eV with an energy spread of < 0.7 eV (FWHM of a Lorentzian line shape). The mass-selected $9\text{MG}^{\bullet+}\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ reactant radical ions were injected into the octopole ion guide that passes the 10-cm scattering cell containing the Xe gas (Spectral Gases, 99.995%). In addition to generating an rf potential for trapping ions in the radial direction, the octopole was biased at a DC potential of variable amplitude. The DC offset was utilized to adjust the kinetic energy of reactant ions in the laboratory frame (E_{lab}) and thereby control the collision energy (E_{col}) between radical cations and Xe in the center-of-mass frame, *i.e.*, $E_{\text{col}} = E_{\text{lab}} \times m_{\text{neutral}} / (m_{\text{ion}} + m_{\text{neutral}})$ where m_{neutral} and m_{ion} are the masses of Xe and radical cations, respectively.

The product ions resulting from the collision-induced dissociation and reactions as well as the remaining reactant ions were collected by the octopole, passed into the second quadrupole mass filter for mass analysis, and pulse-counted by the ion detector.

Product ion cross sections were calculated from the ratio of reactant/product ion intensities at each E_{col} , the pressure of Xe in the scattering cell, and the effective cell length. The scattering cell gas pressure was maintained at 0.015 mT using a leak valve and continuously measured using a MKS Baratron capacitance manometer. At this pressure, $9\text{MG}^+\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ had at most single collisions with Xe, so a thin-target limit (analogous to the Beer-Lambert Law)⁸ could be assumed in the calculations of absolute product ion cross sections and reaction energy dependence. The entire measurement was repeated five times to reduce experimental uncertainty.

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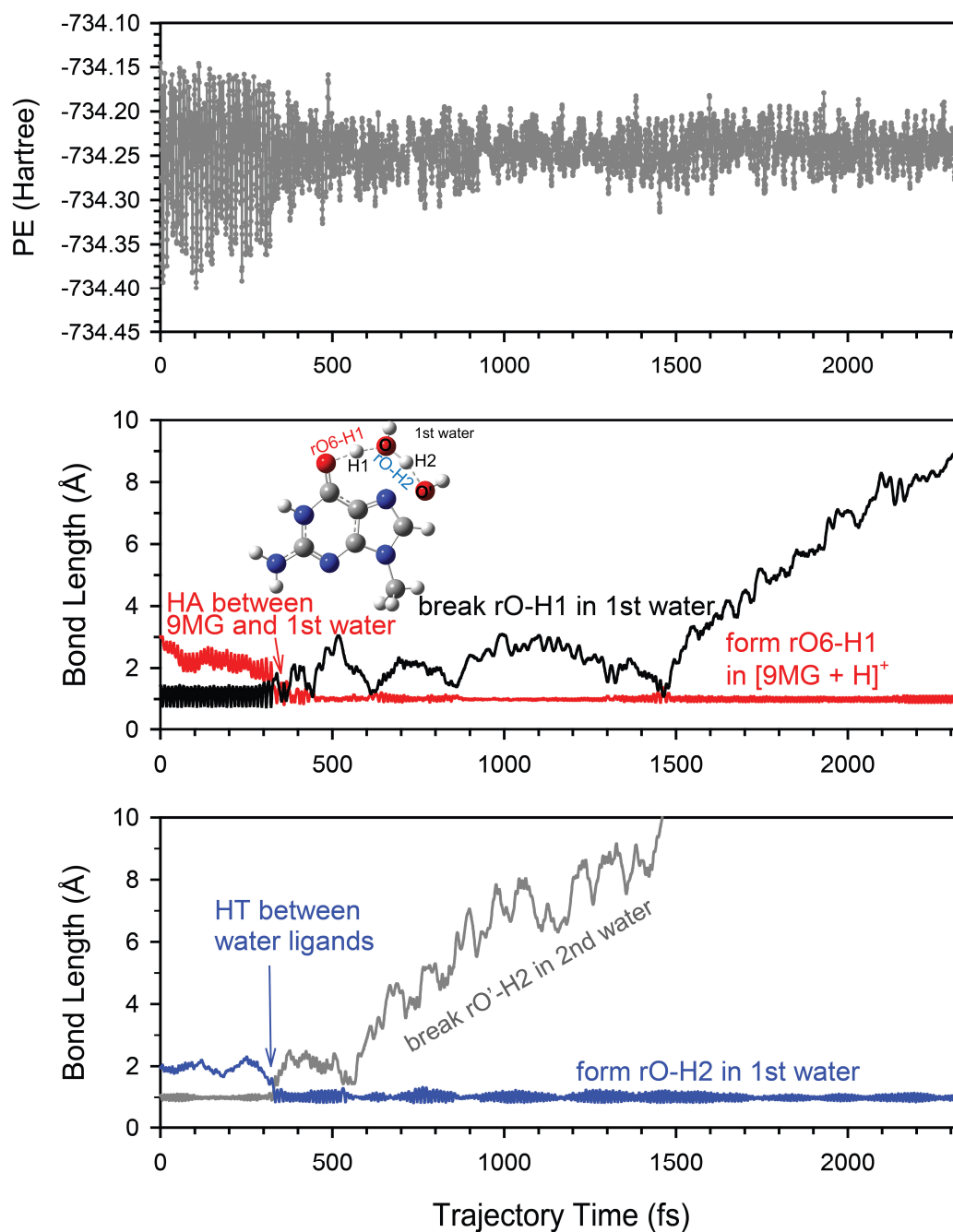


Fig. S1 A trajectory for water-assisted HA₀₆ in 9MG⁺·(H₂O)₂ simulated at 1200 K using the B3LYP/6-31G(d) method. The top frame shows the change of PE, and the middle and bottom frames show the variations of bond lengths that are participating in the reaction. A trajectory video is provided in the Supporting Information.

**Cartesian coordinates for structures in Fig. 6,
optimized at B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p)**

9MG⁺

C1 1.204426 1.379573 -0.000003
 C2 -0.215551 1.038288 0.000001
 H3 3.007038 0.367513 -0.000007
 C4 1.538965 -1.093398 -0.000005
 C5 -2.328112 0.955876 0.000007
 N6 2.006751 0.184393 -0.000005
 N7 -1.296430 1.818769 0.000004
 N8 0.215554 -1.402887 -0.000001
 C9 -0.580658 -0.355482 0.000001
 N10 2.391552 -2.116381 -0.000007
 H11 2.010377 -3.054571 -0.000007
 H12 3.396417 -2.003995 -0.000011
 O13 1.729698 2.466296 -0.000003
 H14 -3.368120 1.257131 0.000009
 C15 -2.829089 -1.540815 0.000007
 H16 -3.865606 -1.204458 0.000003
 H17 -2.636558 -2.137740 0.893112
 H18 -2.636553 -2.137747 -0.893091
 N19 -1.958066 -0.358287 0.000005

H₂O

O1 0.000000 0.000000 0.116499
 H2 0.000000 0.769461 -0.465997
 H3 0.000000 -0.769461 -0.465997

9MG⁺·H₂O

C1 -1.656296 -1.464058 -0.000038
 C2 -0.275045 -0.992283 0.000175
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 H22 5.498560 -0.282291 -0.769566

TS_HA_{N7}

C1 -0.125893 -1.643589 0.000050
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 N6 -1.547519 -1.521362 -0.000028
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 H21 1.034984 3.918838 -0.000025
 N22 0.531891 1.889847 0.000003

[9MG + H_{N7}]^{+...•OH}

C1 0.477276 -1.477549 -0.000002
 C2 0.586272 -0.047924 -0.000001
 H3 -1.036678 -2.855149 -0.000005
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 C5 1.238236 2.049231 -0.000002
 N6 -0.884874 -1.850685 -0.000001
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 N22 -0.112649 2.060842 0.000000

[9MG + H_{N7}]⁺

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•OH

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[8OH-9MG + H_{N7}]*⁺

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7HG⁺

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CH₃OH

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TS_HA₀₆

C1 0.054639 -1.510573 0.048036
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 N22 0.506355 1.991392 -0.004290

[9MG + H₀₆]⁺•OH

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 C2 0.603815 -0.143730 0.064963
 H3 -1.493355 -2.616444 0.004624
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 O13 0.934792 -2.526447 0.064889
 H14 2.413844 2.473272 0.056523

H15 1.926315 -2.227261 0.007964
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 H21 0.522274 4.112194 -0.020903
 N22 0.299055 2.037584 0.004563

[9MG + H₀₆]⁺

C1 -1.127108 1.243594 0.000517
 C2 0.223982 0.974004 0.000117
 H3 -2.963849 0.361518 0.001094
 C4 -1.509240 -1.150291 -0.000334
 C5 2.333151 0.961054 -0.001313
 N6 -1.967573 0.162501 0.000467
 N7 1.329170 1.798643 -0.000335
 N8 -0.220455 -1.450933 -0.000714
 C9 0.597469 -0.393020 -0.000742
 N10 -2.429825 -2.129999 -0.000532
 H11 -2.099775 -3.084964 -0.000746
 H12 -3.424771 -1.966499 -0.000364
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 H15 -1.080442 3.142036 0.001064
 C16 2.841438 -1.551770 0.003014
 H17 2.611714 -2.191745 -0.850759
 H18 2.709857 -2.114987 0.929154
 H19 3.872303 -1.205461 -0.069504
 N20 1.957547 -0.382490 -0.002358

TS_8OH_H₀₆

C1 -1.190593 1.338350 -0.119772
 C2 0.084945 0.842892 -0.298934
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 C5 2.153853 0.464400 -0.544712
 N6 -2.181076 0.418216 0.092721
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 C9 0.237862 -0.571440 -0.233550
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H22 -0.840740 3.198381 -0.278815

[8OH-9MG + H₀₆]⁺

C1 -1.241009 1.356308 -0.039992
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 H3 -3.197613 0.779255 0.126409
 C4 -1.993947 -0.935782 0.080030
 C5 2.240813 0.492858 -0.287920
 N6 -2.248611 0.424425 0.062028
 N7 1.211724 1.535213 -0.248385
 N8 -0.770651 -1.449777 -0.004058
 C9 0.222580 -0.565840 -0.111050
 N10 -3.042153 -1.763036 0.186204
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 O15 3.104018 0.537327 0.807374
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 C17 2.198840 -2.097203 -0.185901
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 H20 2.741245 -2.252088 -1.122935
 N21 1.522144 -0.804497 -0.213247
 H22 -0.877837 3.218761 -0.101822

TS_S_{N2}_H₀₆

C1 -2.103352 -0.633669 -0.096536
 C2 -0.802429 -1.068647 -0.002823
 H3 -3.259554 1.045530 -0.146904
 C4 -1.255011 1.631275 0.042353
 C5 1.043699 -2.091149 0.112384
 N6 -2.299321 0.723031 -0.073995
 N7 -0.246274 -2.332153 -0.005251
 N8 0.008881 1.253378 0.143626
 C9 0.204351 -0.072897 0.125187
 N10 -1.567458 2.940683 0.045346
 H11 -0.810839 3.603221 0.140000
 H12 -2.511173 3.292778 0.002825
 O13 -3.208673 -1.349796 -0.204558
 H14 1.797966 -2.866378 0.148276
 H15 -3.002726 -2.301483 -0.214406
 O16 4.586298 0.921376 -0.369564
 H17 5.206708 0.255350 -0.728228
 C18 3.141995 0.115229 0.203757
 H19 2.739213 0.987540 0.693532
 H20 2.984056 -0.021351 -0.875040
 H21 3.575295 -0.664283 0.812130
 N22 1.373391 -0.754141 0.240968

6-enol-G⁺

C1 0.179571 1.343149 0.000005
 C2 -0.871958 0.428857 0.000072

H3 2.216687 1.466748 -0.000030
 C4 1.662503 -0.562937 -0.000007
 C5 -2.644758 -0.737235 0.000017
 N6 1.438541 0.811670 -0.000005
 N7 -2.192111 0.599614 0.000118
 N8 0.680243 -1.474371 -0.000037
 C9 -0.547505 -0.990478 -0.000044
 N10 2.922770 -0.992720 0.000117
 H11 3.070020 -1.996438 -0.000003
 H12 3.732817 -0.387322 -0.000222
 O13 0.122325 2.651136 -0.000077
 H14 -3.707913 -0.944215 0.000027
 H15 -0.801198 2.967871 -0.000032
 N16 -1.728892 -1.687603 -0.000105

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C1 -1.300270 1.511540 -0.048178
 C2 0.044609 0.903391 -0.167650
 H3 -3.243309 0.865381 0.132345
 C4 -2.069806 -0.853151 0.088383
 C5 2.172127 0.431497 -0.337245
 N6 -2.296587 0.502632 0.060979
 N7 1.191495 1.485456 -0.280404
 N8 -0.852964 -1.413939 0.013697
 C9 0.150423 -0.561958 -0.112963
 N10 -3.119636 -1.666511 0.200324
 H11 -2.947844 -2.663548 0.222099
 H12 -4.073407 -1.340224 0.266005
 O13 -1.583746 2.683039 -0.045262
 H14 2.741662 0.451813 -1.279137
 O15 3.083653 0.585267 0.757551
 H16 4.592534 0.286718 0.336851
 H17 3.089504 1.524690 1.028839
 C18 2.087636 -2.152893 -0.172173
 H19 2.708451 -2.276301 -1.063734
 H20 1.305373 -2.911286 -0.160312
 H21 2.708447 -2.245917 0.722082
 N22 1.450695 -0.837400 -0.195224

8OH-9MG⁺ + H

C1 -1.257235 1.556281 -0.039570
 C2 0.076222 0.894871 -0.135420
 H3 -3.223820 0.986055 0.129255
 C4 -2.116204 -0.777346 0.082110
 C5 2.194918 0.324400 -0.306689
 N6 -2.290280 0.588837 0.065752
 N7 1.229587 1.433386 -0.226107
 N8 -0.926878 -1.392007 -0.004021
 C9 0.118930 -0.588604 -0.106025
 N10 -3.198772 -1.544023 0.190345
 H11 -3.070015 -2.548018 0.202109
 H12 -4.137204 -1.177730 0.268474
 O13 -1.490799 2.735994 -0.047912

H14	2.657696	0.373054	-1.304894
O15	3.113430	0.326528	0.723899
H16	5.206798	2.463171	0.326122
H17	3.762114	1.041355	0.600024
C18	1.981644	-2.255427	-0.159907
H19	2.448749	-2.482283	-1.122293
H20	1.188083	-2.974140	0.042000
H21	2.734876	-2.288103	0.630002
N22	1.395205	-0.917419	-0.195352

**Cartesian coordinates for structures in Fig. 8,
optimized at B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p)**

9MG⁺·(H₂O)₂

C1 -1.173135 -1.677627 0.022499
 C2 -0.205547 -0.586331 0.015843
 H3 -3.228653 -1.882909 0.009846
 C4 -2.860845 0.156847 -0.009736
 C5 1.489834 0.699693 0.012944
 N6 -2.513148 -1.160614 0.006840
 N7 1.126839 -0.604898 0.023486
 N8 -1.954931 1.166558 -0.013762
 C9 -0.701210 0.765276 -0.001161
 N10 -4.147352 0.503759 -0.022888
 H11 -4.373858 1.490561 -0.035132
 H12 -4.904997 -0.165447 -0.021931
 O13 -0.976279 -2.870315 0.039254
 H14 2.531193 1.034076 0.015508
 O15 4.426282 0.822068 0.084222
 H16 2.937025 -1.938714 -0.029455
 H17 5.291569 1.206521 -0.098554
 O18 3.900216 -1.886822 -0.131742
 H19 4.516091 -0.151621 0.025162
 H20 4.269807 -2.726942 0.166112
 C21 0.471347 3.021294 -0.015710
 H22 -0.043795 3.410967 0.863906
 H23 -0.009460 3.393954 -0.921828
 H24 1.516164 3.329444 0.001939
 N25 0.427807 1.553160 -0.001894

TS(H₂O)₂_HA_{N7}

C1 -0.892980 -1.652809 0.048495
 C2 -0.067781 -0.467541 0.075144
 H3 -2.904575 -2.077290 -0.064331
 C4 -2.758847 -0.003149 -0.082349
 C5 1.515032 1.002449 0.168330
 N6 -2.270317 -1.284197 -0.040072
 N7 1.282412 -0.315308 0.159422
 N8 -1.975044 1.081231 -0.044474
 C9 -0.674869 0.800251 0.032253
 N10 -4.085001 0.179513 -0.164981
 H11 -4.432116 1.128374 -0.195359
 H12 -4.748689 -0.579582 -0.204743
 O13 -0.555599 -2.819522 0.095070
 H14 2.506654 1.435278 0.218463
 O15 4.391817 0.428678 -0.243069
 H16 2.256059 -1.197601 0.097611
 H17 5.233114 0.620496 -0.693740
 O18 3.268341 -1.770751 -0.076083
 H19 3.942021 -0.972967 -0.151699
 H20 3.520501 -2.409263 0.606316
 C21 0.219514 3.174509 0.080655
 H22 -0.373470 3.491619 0.940220

H23 -0.275363 3.486423 -0.840582
 H24 1.213169 3.618458 0.133936
 N25 0.360209 1.713983 0.091734

[9MG + H_{N7}]⁺·H₂O...·OH

C1 -0.027407 -1.441473 -0.083671
 C2 -0.020213 -0.006677 -0.077866
 H3 -1.445896 -2.919085 0.011932
 C4 -2.493371 -1.116911 0.097082
 C5 0.488784 2.121699 -0.109594
 N6 -1.362582 -1.907147 0.011656
 N7 1.013713 0.903880 -0.151122
 N8 -2.452563 0.208593 0.100143
 C9 -1.207914 0.701305 0.011469
 N10 -3.685185 -1.737276 0.181243
 H11 -4.514328 -1.164405 0.241728
 H12 -3.789896 -2.739620 0.179759
 O13 0.916859 -2.217573 -0.155884
 H14 1.046639 3.045189 -0.149557
 O15 5.941628 -0.078616 0.478827
 H16 2.026227 0.596408 -0.227590
 H17 6.736128 -0.652883 0.446888
 O18 3.241733 -0.437229 -0.402418
 H19 4.166284 -0.433736 -0.093711
 H20 2.877506 -1.335898 -0.327873
 C21 -1.803022 3.167537 0.061425
 H22 -2.366223 3.108799 0.994122
 H23 -2.491433 3.116683 -0.783638
 H24 -1.241335 4.100686 0.025972
 N25 -0.860038 2.045139 -0.009821

TS(H₂O)₂_8OH_HA_{N7}

C1 -0.605435 1.619756 0.022860
 C2 0.205097 0.456983 -0.214876
 H3 -2.591230 2.013389 0.338606
 C4 -2.442455 -0.055530 0.104722
 C5 1.817506 -0.998372 -0.517220
 N6 -1.958676 1.237791 0.165937
 N7 1.552543 0.309873 -0.398146
 N8 -1.667336 -1.113248 -0.107477
 C9 -0.373737 -0.813226 -0.257929
 N10 -3.762833 -0.238709 0.267822
 H11 -4.117609 -1.183997 0.233267
 H12 -4.410919 0.513459 0.443971
 O13 -0.258417 2.791673 0.102621
 H14 2.775017 -1.416944 -0.783116
 O15 2.388479 -1.520523 1.616941
 H16 2.213006 1.121377 -0.412111
 H17 3.120122 -0.980495 1.976912
 O18 2.596281 2.748938 -0.204670
 H19 3.251445 3.378604 -0.530220
 H20 1.749089 3.215562 -0.082718
 C21 0.549681 -3.165296 -0.470717

H22 -0.487190 -3.428200 -0.674789
 H23 0.847890 -3.534784 0.513034
 H24 1.196642 -3.583033 -1.242914
 N25 0.656167 -1.701641 -0.485292

[8OH-9MG + H_{N7}]⁺·H₂O

C1 -0.692720 1.595539 0.020594
 C2 0.184161 0.462179 -0.089243
 H3 -2.713013 1.946458 0.163460
 C4 -2.475317 -0.121313 0.063286
 C5 1.950735 -1.010179 -0.237462
 N6 -2.047705 1.182921 0.090735
 N7 1.518199 0.390469 -0.189615
 N8 -1.649238 -1.166596 -0.037782
 C9 -0.356858 -0.862927 -0.113127
 N10 -3.790791 -0.361293 0.140422
 H11 -4.098185 -1.324035 0.121391
 H12 -4.484685 0.366099 0.227119
 O13 -0.391801 2.784049 0.052885
 H14 2.499879 -1.207695 -1.168378
 O15 2.699826 -1.377492 0.877676
 H16 2.141298 1.220034 -0.158845
 H17 3.634164 -1.488286 0.650996
 O18 2.495814 2.927311 -0.181291
 H19 3.189391 3.527562 0.118967
 H20 1.638212 3.369880 -0.062261
 C21 0.588761 -3.181076 -0.239621
 H22 -0.462273 -3.464312 -0.194738
 H23 1.118722 -3.585186 0.626209
 H24 1.031802 -3.574248 -1.159451
 N25 0.666879 -1.724151 -0.230217

TS(H₂O)_HA_{O6}

C1 0.163253 -1.380303 0.087447
 C2 0.244297 0.023008 0.080797
 H3 -1.219660 -2.870012 0.070782
 C4 -2.271585 -1.062417 0.016752
 C5 0.775373 2.099101 0.015704
 N6 -1.138526 -1.857726 0.073259
 N7 1.308511 0.904944 0.099285
 N8 -2.208951 0.256210 -0.033596
 C9 -0.960987 0.745067 -0.003784
 N10 -3.468078 -1.680138 0.009346
 H11 -4.295920 -1.103830 -0.038112
 H12 -3.579880 -2.680923 0.049908
 O13 1.089030 -2.252731 0.100277
 H14 1.330668 3.026634 -0.005572
 O15 3.571720 0.921762 0.180960
 H16 2.199925 -1.898306 -0.122971
 H17 3.510468 1.088019 1.141261
 O18 3.319474 -1.539813 -0.428952
 H19 3.516825 -0.565584 -0.172417
 H20 4.050196 -2.127223 -0.193176

C21 -1.514284 3.207991 -0.150654
 H22 -2.205565 3.205005 0.694023
 H23 -2.078281 3.149489 -1.083519
 H24 -0.924882 4.124716 -0.137392
 N25 -0.601825 2.065794 -0.048102

[9MG + H_{O6}]⁺·H₂O...·OH

C1 -0.125586 -1.383204 -0.088411
 C2 -0.243473 0.012212 -0.079554
 H3 1.279490 -2.850141 -0.073131
 C4 2.296929 -1.022252 -0.018723
 C5 -0.816261 2.071844 -0.014063
 N6 1.179291 -1.839431 -0.075273
 N7 -1.328168 0.869536 -0.098919
 N8 2.206502 0.294815 0.034745
 C9 0.950147 0.758983 0.006380
 N10 3.505024 -1.615848 -0.013965
 H11 4.321198 -1.022926 0.033171
 H12 3.637517 -2.613993 -0.059491
 O13 -1.030943 -2.290054 -0.104954
 H14 -1.389270 2.988768 0.006753
 O15 -3.629746 0.912925 -0.199300
 H16 -2.068829 -1.964822 0.096152
 H17 -3.553647 1.057130 -1.162657
 O18 -3.290205 -1.596457 0.437355
 H19 -3.534124 -0.649488 0.196529
 H20 -4.035472 -2.191388 0.284036
 C21 1.450072 3.231954 0.157401
 H22 2.153682 3.236021 -0.676975
 H23 2.001071 3.194598 1.099160
 H24 0.841487 4.135596 0.126317
 N25 0.563507 2.069801 0.051578

TS(H₂O)_8OH_HA_{O6}

C1 -0.575054 1.483512 -0.010127
 C2 0.280993 0.398440 -0.221755
 H3 -2.531967 1.937377 0.295759
 C4 -2.387283 -0.144876 0.102641
 C5 1.874721 -0.993441 -0.487489
 N6 -1.902456 1.155592 0.139492
 N7 1.638241 0.315521 -0.401984
 N8 -1.602500 -1.191008 -0.090664
 C9 -0.308832 -0.892772 -0.246968
 N10 -3.709332 -0.318948 0.267629
 H11 -4.063954 -1.265038 0.255256
 H12 -4.355975 0.434024 0.445492
 O13 -0.302323 2.745125 0.064275
 H14 2.820994 -1.424477 -0.778772
 O15 2.390352 -1.322028 1.572976
 H16 0.715161 2.950960 -0.043657
 H17 3.038899 -0.633917 1.818294
 O18 2.176053 3.036845 -0.155801
 H19 2.473161 2.131261 -0.384896

H20 2.641169 3.685642 -0.700655
C21 0.657810 -3.218865 -0.419667
H22 -0.383187 -3.522686 -0.522926
H23 1.058266 -3.567939 0.535197
H24 1.242609 -3.629996 -1.244176
N25 0.715768 -1.756407 -0.461091

[8OH-9MG + H₀₆]⁺ · H₂O

C1 -0.914772 1.343988 -0.013688
C2 0.181374 0.469753 -0.123738
H3 -2.947729 1.375060 0.149047
C4 -2.340510 -0.624615 0.069925
C5 2.133887 -0.606408 -0.270862
N6 -2.157560 0.742392 0.071288
N7 1.490235 0.709515 -0.231173
N8 -1.336089 -1.489853 -0.021564
C9 -0.120719 -0.949530 -0.114144
N10 -3.594579 -1.089299 0.162923
H11 -3.725300 -2.091562 0.168928
H12 -4.406355 -0.496841 0.250618
O13 -0.930224 2.640799 0.014781
H14 2.691131 -0.711908 -1.213636
O15 2.953499 -0.847747 0.835889
H16 0.021325 3.065597 -0.013167
H17 3.813893 -0.420060 0.716890
O18 1.434617 3.470729 0.010239
H19 1.914670 2.630252 -0.155068
H20 1.802774 4.176055 -0.538142
C21 1.256686 -3.035646 -0.207649
H22 0.289916 -3.530988 -0.121743
H23 1.889534 -3.298798 0.642722
H24 1.744965 -3.346289 -1.135904
N25 1.036902 -1.593614 -0.221028