





Influence of non-covalent interactions on carbonyl

reactivity with amines

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- Bio-chemistry
- Atmospheric chemistry
- Astrochemistry

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 - Gas phase reactivity

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- $LC-\omega PBE + GD3-BJ$
- Mass spectrometry+ molecular beam
- Radicals cations or protonated aggregates

Previous results:

On the relevance of the electron density analysis for the study of micro-hydration and its impact on the formation of a peptide-like bond. Derbali, et al. (2022). Theor. Chem. Acc., 141, 34. Study of the Reactivity of CH₃COOH⁺⁺ and COOH⁺ Ions with CH₃NH₂: Evidence of the Formation of New Peptide-like C (O)–N Bonds. Derbali, et al. (2021). J. Phys. Chem. A, 125, 10006



Ion molecule reactivity experiments



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 $Ac_5H^+ + Ma$





cross section ($\mbox{\ensuremath{\$}}^{\mbox{\ensuremath{\$}}}$)



Theoretical study

Theory/experience comparison

- Determine the enthalpy of reaction formation:
- Search for the structures of the reagents and the products LC-ωPBE + GD3-BJ

How?

- MESP (Molecular Electrostatic Potential)
- CREST (Conformer Rotamer Ensemble Sampling Tool), Densityfunctional based tight binding (DFTB)

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Reactivity of Ac_xH⁺: Theoretical results

Conclusions and perspectives

- Possible study of aggregates' reactivity
 - Successful observation of the reaction of Ac₁₋₅W₁₋₂H⁺ aggregates
 - Complementarity of theoretical and experimental approaches
- Similar reactivity regardless the aggregates'size
 - Strong interaction between protonated aggregates and methylamine
 - Non-covalent complexes versus covalent interactions
 - Dissociation of initial complexes formed with methylamine
- Micro-hydrated complexes

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Preferential loss of water molecules

Thank you for your attention!

Experimental results

Parent Ac _x H+	Exothermic/Endothermic				
	[MaH]+	[AcMaH]+	[(Ac) ₂ MaH]+		
2	Exothermic	Exothermic	Exothermic		
3	Endothermic	Exothermic	Exothermic		
5	Endothermic	Not observed	Exothermic		

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Search for the structure of observed ions

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MESP of acetic acid dimer

MESP of protonated acetic acid

MESP of acetic acid

