

## Supporting Information

### Oxygen reduction catalyzed by a fluorinated free base porphyrin at liquid/liquid interfaces

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## 1. Synthesis and Characterization of H<sub>2</sub>FAP<sup>S1-S4</sup>

### *Synthesis of amino-phenyl-pentafluoroporphyrin H<sub>2</sub>FAP*

**Instrumentation.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker DRX-300 AVANCE spectrometer of the “Plateforme d’Analyse Chimique et de Synthèse Moléculaire de l’Université de Bourgogne (PACSMUB)”.; chemical shifts are expressed in ppm relative to chloroform (7.258 ppm). Mass spectra were obtained on a Bruker Daltonics Ultraflex II spectrometer of the “Plateforme d’Analyse Chimique et de Synthèse Moléculaire de l’Université de Bourgogne (PACSMUB)” in the MALDI/TOF reflectron mode using dithranol as a matrix. Accurate mass measurements (HR-MS) were carried out on a Bruker MicroQTofQ instrument in ESI mode. Both measurements were made at the “Plateforme d’Analyse Chimique et de Synthèse Moléculaire de l’Université de Bourgogne (PACSMUB)”. UV-visible spectra were recorded on a Varian Cary 1 spectrophotometer.

**Chemicals and Reagents.** All chemicals and reagents were used as received. Silica gel (Merck; 70-120 mm) was used for column chromatography. Analytical thin layer chromatography was performed using Merck 60 F<sub>254</sub> silica gel (precoated sheets, 0.2 mm thick). Reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography and UV-visible spectroscopy. 5-(pentafluorophenyl)dipyrromethane **3** was prepared in 67% yield as described in the literature.<sup>1,2</sup>

### **Synthesis of 5-(*p*-nitro-phenyl)-10,15,20-tris-pentafluorophenylporphyrin **6****

5-(Pentafluorophenyl)dipyrromethane **3** (3.1 g, 9.93 mmol) and pentafluoro-benzaldehyde **2** (0.6 ml, 0.95 g, 4.85 mmol) were dissolved in methanol (500 ml), and a mixture of water (500 ml) and hydrochloric acid (50 ml, 10 M). The reaction mixture was stirred for 4 h and then it was extracted with dichloromethane. The organic layer was washed with water (2 x 100 ml)

and dried over magnesium sulfate, the solvent was removed in vacuo to afford the expected bilane **4**. The bilane **4** and 4-nitro-benzaldehyde **5** (2,02 g, 13.37 mmol) were then dissolved in dichloromethane (800 ml) and TFA (2.7 ml, 35.21 mmol) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred for 14 h. The reaction mixture was then poured in dichloromethane (2000 ml) and DDQ (2.8 g, dissolved in 50 ml of tetrahydrofuran) was added and the mixture was stirred for 6 h. The reaction mixture was then evaporated, purified by filtration over a pad of silica (dichloromethane/heptane; 50:50). The front running brown band was collected and the solvent was removed to afford the 5-(*p*-nitro-phenyl)-10,15,20-tris-pentafluorophenylporphyrin **6** (361 mg, 8%\*) as a brown microcrystalline solid. An analytically pure sample was obtained by recrystallization from a chloroform/methanol solution. (HRMS-ESI Found:  $[M + Na]^+$  952.0779.  $C_{44}H_{14}F_{15}N_5NaO_2$  requires 952.0800; and Found:  $[2 M + Na]^+$  1881.1683.  $C_{88}H_{28}F_{30}N_{10}NaO_4$  requires 1881.1708).  $\lambda_{max}$  ( $CH_2Cl_2$ ) (log  $\epsilon$ ): 307 (4.27), 372sh (4.65), 414 (5.58), 475sh (3.51), 508 (4.40), 539 (3.55), 585 (3.88), 639 (2.98) nm.  $^1H$  NMR (300 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  -2.87 (2 H, inner NH); 8.41 and 8.69 (4 H, AB quartet, J 8.6 Hz, aryl H); 8.87 (4 H, br s,  $\beta$ -pyrrolic H); 8.91 (4 H, br s,  $\beta$ -pyrrolic H). Mass spectrum (MALDI-TOF) (m/z): 929.1 ( $M^{+\bullet}$  requires 929.1). (\*Yield calculated from conversion of pentafluoro-benzaldehyde **2**).

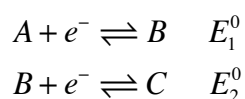
### Synthesis of 5-(*p*-amino-phenyl)-10,15,20-tris-pentafluorophenylporphyrin **7**

5,10,15-Tris-pentafluorophenyl-20-(*p*-nitro-phenyl)porphyrin **6** (230.0 mg, 0.247 mmol) was dissolved in chloroform (10 ml) and stirred in a hydrochloric acid/ether mixture (1 M, 15 ml) with tin(II) chloride dihydrate (1.12 g, 5.10 mmol) in the dark for 6 h in a similar way to literature method.<sup>3,4</sup> The reaction mixture was poured onto ice (50 g) and when the ice melted, chloroform (20 ml) was added. The organic layer was washed with water (200 ml), sodium hydrogencarbonate solution (10%, 100 ml), water (200 ml). The solvent was then removed

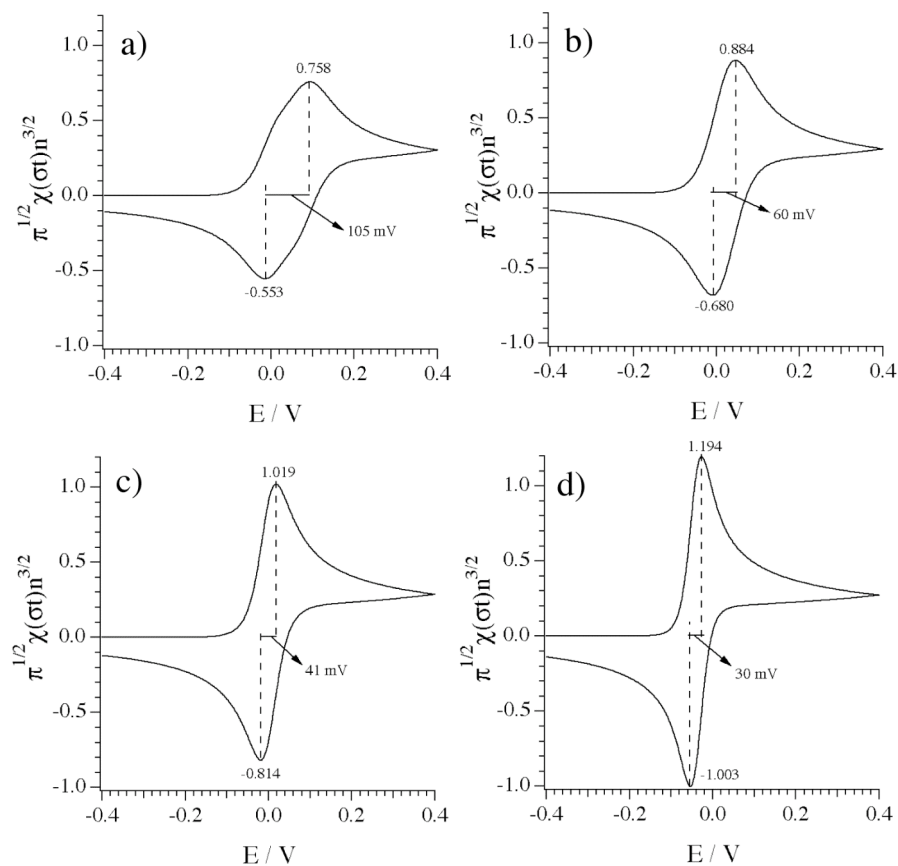
and the crude product was purified by column chromatography over silica (dichloromethane/heptane; 60:40; then dichloromethane 100). The first fraction afforded the unreacted starting material **6** (50 mg, 22%). The second purple band was collected and the solvent was removed to give 5-(*p*-amino-phenyl)-10,15,20-tris-pentafluorophenylporphyrin **7** (167.0 mg, 75%) as a purple microcrystalline solid. (HRMS-ESI Found:  $[M + H]^+$  900.1294.  $C_{44}H_{17}F_{15}N_5$  requires 900.1239; and Found:  $[2 M + Na]^+$  1821.2321.  $C_{88}H_{32}F_{30}N_{10}Na$  requires 1821.2225).  $\lambda_{max}$  ( $CH_2Cl_2$ ) (log  $\epsilon$ ): 308 (4.16), 368sh (4.52), 417 (5.26), 513 (4.20), 549 (3.61), 588 (3.75), 644 (3.07) nm.  $^1H$  NMR (300 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  -2.80 (2 H, inner NH); 5.85 (2 H, br s,  $NH_2$ ); 7.30 (2 H, d,  $J$  7.8 Hz, aryl H); 8.08 (2 H, d,  $J$  8.4 Hz, aryl H); 8.82 (2 H, d,  $J$  4.5 Hz,  $\beta$ -pyrrolic H); 8.87 (2 H, d,  $J$  4.8 Hz,  $\beta$ -pyrrolic H); 8.89 (2 H, d,  $J$  5.4 Hz,  $\beta$ -pyrrolic H); 9.06 (2 H, d,  $J$  4.8 Hz,  $\beta$ -pyrrolic H). Mass spectrum (MALDI-TOF) (m/z): 899.2 ( $M^+$  requires 899.1).

## 2. Cyclic Voltammetry Simulations

Simulated cyclic voltammograms were calculated using Digisim 3.03 assuming the following set of reactions<sup>S5</sup>:

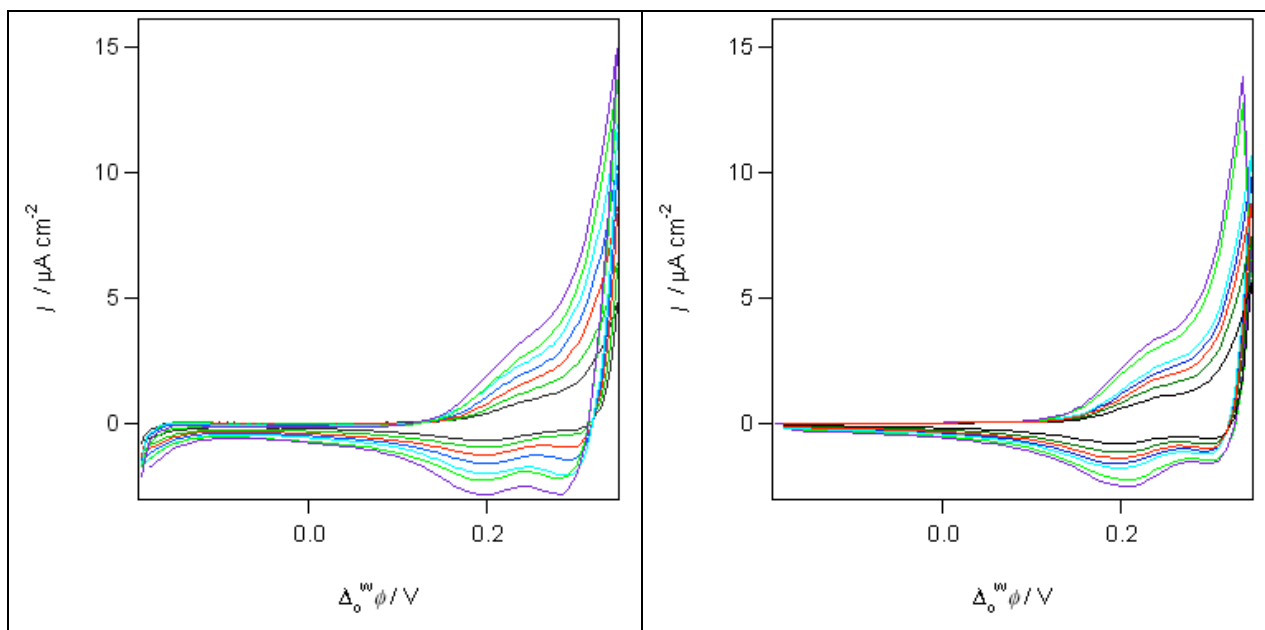


These calculations were carried out for different  $\Delta E^0$  values and as it can be observed in Figure S-1, the peak potential differences range from approximately 105 to 30 mV. The particular case treated in the manuscript can be describe by the case *b*, in which a peak potential difference of 60 mV is observed and a small  $\Delta E^0$  value is then obtained. The value employed in equation 1 for the calculation of the diffusion coefficient can be extracted from the current function of case *c* and corresponds to 0.884.

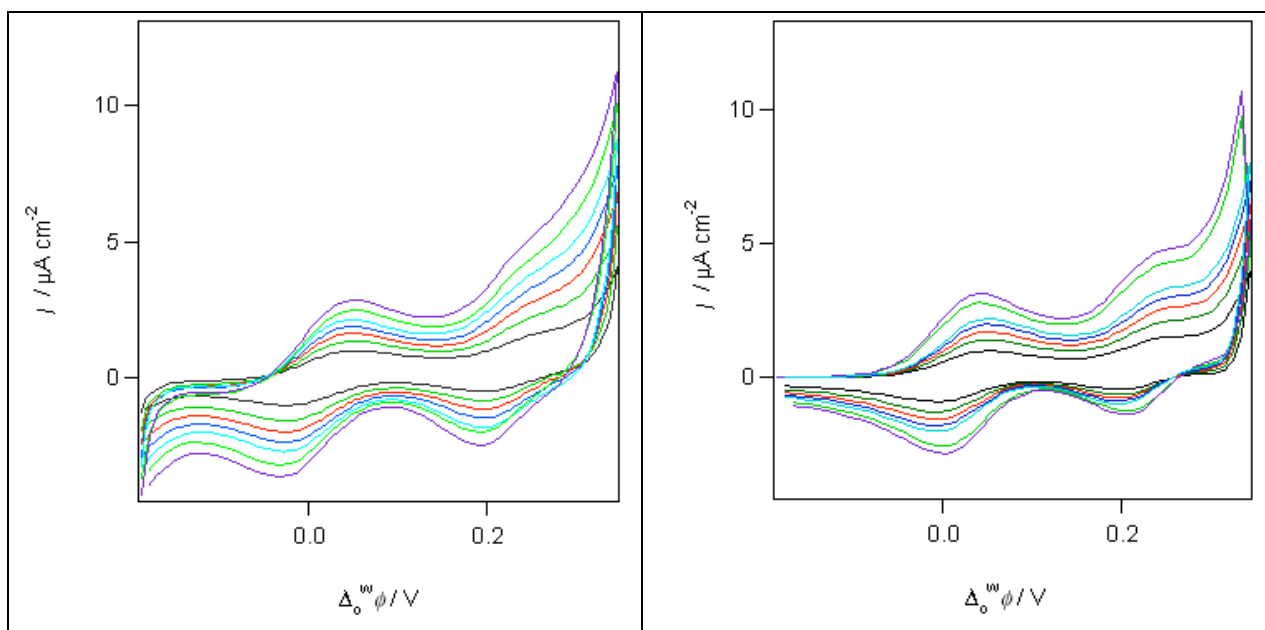


**Figure S1.** Simulated cyclic voltammograms for standard potential differences,  $\Delta E^0 = (E_2^0 - E_1^0)$  of a)  $-80$ , b)  $-38$ , c)  $0$  and d)  $80$  mV. The peak potential differences are indicated for each case.

To determine the diffusion data, the scan rate dependence of cyclic voltammograms were fitted directly to a Digisim simulation. Smaller concentrations than reported in Figure 2 were used as we have observed that the diffusion coefficient values obtained from scan rate analysis were increasing as the concentration of  $H_2FAP$  decreases, hinting that some aggregation of the porphyrin may take place perhaps by hydrogen binding between the protonated inner iminogroups and the free outer amino group.

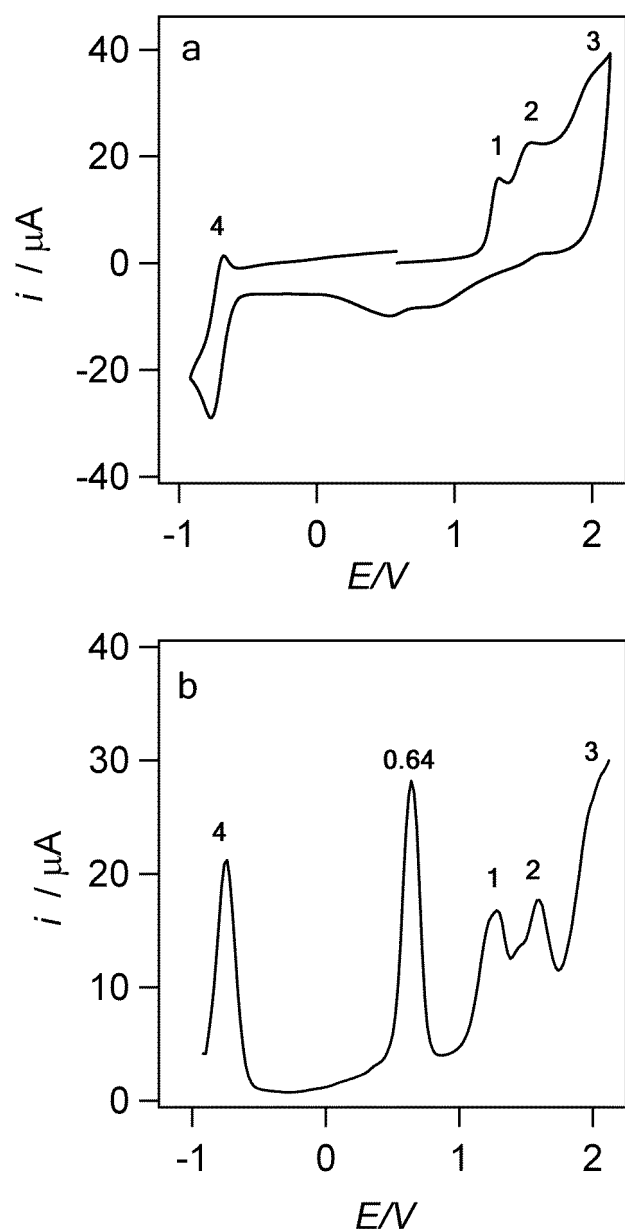


**Figure S2.** Cyclic voltammograms in the presence of H<sub>2</sub>FAP in DCE . Left experimental results : (Scheme 3:  $x = 20 \mu\text{M}$ ,  $y = 0$ ,  $z = 100 \text{ mM}$ ). Scan rate: 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 80, and 100  $\text{mV s}^{-1}$  from inner to outer, Right : Digisim simulation with the following fixed parameters : Standard ion transfer potential difference ( $E_2-E_1$ ) = 40 mV, Peak difference = 60 mV, Diffusion Coefficient of protons =  $9.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm}^2 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$ , Value obtained for diffusion coefficient of H<sub>2</sub>FAP =  $8.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{ cm}^2 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$



**Figure S3.** Cyclic voltammograms in the presence of H<sub>2</sub>TPP in DCE . Left experimental results : (Scheme 3:  $x = 20 \mu\text{M}$ ,  $y = 0$ ,  $z = 100 \text{ mM}$ ). Scan rate: 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 80, and 100  $\text{mV s}^{-1}$  from inner to outer, Right : Digisim simulation with the following fixed parameters : Standard ion transfer potential difference ( $E_2-E_1$ ) = 200 mV. Diffusion Coefficient of protons =  $9.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm}^2 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$ . Value obtained for the diffusion coefficient of H<sub>2</sub>TPP =  $3.4 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm}^2 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$

### 3. Electrochemistry of H<sub>2</sub>FAP



**Figure S4.** Cyclic voltammograms at a scan rate of  $0.1 \text{ V s}^{-1}$  (a) and square wave voltammograms with a frequency 8 Hz, potential step 0.01 V and potential amplitude 0.02 V.

Electrochemical measurements of H<sub>2</sub>FAP were performed on a potentiostat (PGSTAT 30, Eco-Chemie, Netherlands) in a three-electrode configuration, using a 3 mm-in-diameter Pt electrode, a Pt wire and a Ag wire as the working, counter and quasi-reference electrode, respectively. The concentration of H<sub>2</sub>FAP is 1 mM. The supporting electrolyte used was

tetrabutylammonium hexafluorophosphate (TBAPF<sub>6</sub>, ≥99%) 0.1 M. The solution was bubbled by nitrogen before measurements. The potential scale was calibrated to the normal hydrogen electrode by using ferrocene as the internal reference ( $E_{\text{Fc}^+/\text{Fc}}^0 = 0.64 \text{ V}$ ).

The waves 1 (1.30 V) and 2 (1.57 V) are assigned to the first ring oxidation, the second ring oxidation, respectively. The wave 3 can be ascribed to the amine oxidation. The wave 4 (–0.759 V) is assigned to the first ring reduction.

#### 4. Cartesian coordinates of the M05-2X/cc-pVDZ optimized geometries

##### *H<sub>2</sub>FAP*

C	-5.565592	1.137171	1.207519
C	-4.894133	0.627246	0.098088
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***H<sub>3</sub>FAP<sup>+</sup> (amino group protonated)***

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***H<sub>3</sub>FAP<sup>+</sup>***

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H	4.304299	3.145901	0.915209
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F	8.990183	0.910099	-0.042336
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H	0.192779	10.130823	-0.504249
H	-0.999790	1.379230	0.829375

#### *H<sub>4</sub>FAP<sup>2+</sup>*

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C	1.194771	3.214356	0.334053
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H	0.957389	-0.546586	0.644425

**[H<sub>3</sub>FAP·O<sub>2</sub>]<sup>+</sup>**

N	-1.466541	-0.939619	0.081956
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F	-1.711927	-4.502392	-1.955105
C	-3.406611	0.576211	0.026438
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F	7.633645	-1.362954	1.651341
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H	0.650596	-0.518252	0.101779
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***[H<sub>4</sub>FAP·O<sub>2</sub>]<sup>2+</sup>***

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N	1.482491	1.068135	0.016959
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C	5.725997	0.449477	-0.704394
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C	-7.701779	-0.489657	-0.253478
C	-7.065315	0.497901	0.492549
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C	0.067450	4.560988	-0.061401
C	-0.824393	5.290813	0.727980
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C	0.972675	5.277643	-0.847593
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N	1.499875	-1.920301	0.006368
C	1.187503	-3.190842	-0.444693
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O	-1.072271	-0.508775	2.596013
O	-0.140106	-1.238246	2.708415
F	0.105964	8.680113	-0.051519
H	-1.036791	-1.465199	-1.014436
H	-2.388026	4.039304	-1.335441
H	-4.307199	2.173664	-1.400430
H	-4.197963	-2.571684	1.520313
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F	-5.091182	1.494833	1.243464
F	-7.778279	1.369733	1.183845
F	-9.015930	-0.547646	-0.276840
F	-7.565179	-2.349416	-1.687095
F	-4.870211	-2.234888	-1.648195
F	-1.705025	4.644845	1.493108
F	-1.678371	7.345965	1.491413
F	1.865063	7.320072	-1.600977
F	1.839955	4.619161	-1.617123
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H	0.970707	0.555632	-0.690499
H	4.401673	2.074714	1.215681
H	2.519752	3.979238	1.181264
F	5.147497	1.403527	-1.431603
F	7.832973	1.234983	-1.389434
F	9.048407	-0.708829	0.055492
F	7.577264	-2.493071	1.466799
F	4.884011	-2.334677	1.444530
H	-2.092837	-5.491174	-0.799736
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H	1.987446	-8.000195	0.544459
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H	0.731712	-10.022047	0.091203
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H	1.063680	-1.515950	0.826335
H	-0.956504	0.598648	0.578055

**Table S1:** Computed absolute Energies (in a.u.) used in Schemes 3 and 4

<b>M05-2X/cc-pVDZ geometries</b>	<b>RI-TRIM-MP2/cc-pVDZ</b>
[H3FAP...O <sub>2</sub> ] <sup>+</sup> triplet	-3598.915479
[H4FAP...O <sub>2</sub> ] <sup>2+</sup> triplet	-3599.204071
O <sub>2</sub> triplet	-149.970955
H <sub>3</sub> FAP <sup>+</sup>	-3448.938524



H<sub>4</sub>FAP<sup>2+</sup> -3449.225698

	M052X-cc-pVDZ	zero-point energy
H <sub>3</sub> FAP <sup>+</sup> (ring protonation)	-3457.986627	0.535926
H <sub>3</sub> FAP <sup>+</sup> (amino group protonation)	-3457.939128	0.53653
H <sub>4</sub> FAP <sup>2+</sup>	-3458.277874	0.549399

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