

# Solvent-mediated modification of thermodynamics and kinetics of monoethanolamine regeneration reaction in amine-stripping carbon capture: computational chemistry study

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## Supplementary Material

**Table S1:** Comparison between activation energies (kcal/mol) obtained by combining the DFT frequency calculations at 298.15 K and 1 bar, and DLPNO-CCSD(T) coupled-cluster electronic energies to those obtained purely from DFT calculations. All calculation used water as a solvent and employed the Def2-TZVP basis set.

Functional	Zwitterion				Carbamic acid				Carbamate			
	Forward		Backward		Forward		Backward		Forward		Backward	
	DFT	DFT + CC	DFT	DFT + CC	DFT	DFT + CC	DFT	DFT + CC	DFT	DFT + CC	DFT	DFT + CC
B3LYP	9.28	9.97	2.88	5.09	0.26	0.13	6.96	6.71	34.04	33.97	37.31	36.69
TPSS	6.26	8.19	1.80	4.20	-0.17	0.10	4.94	6.39	31.76	33.84	32.53	36.04
TPSSh	9.30	10.80	3.04	4.56	-0.22	-0.04	6.20	6.67	32.60	33.94	36.03	37.78
<b>TPSS0</b>	<b>10.08</b>	<b>11.13</b>	<b>4.93</b>	<b>4.74</b>	<b>-0.27</b>	<b>-0.22</b>	<b>7.77</b>	<b>6.96</b>	<b>33.85</b>	<b>33.94</b>	<b>37.63</b>	<b>36.85</b>
M06	8.59	8.10	2.06	5.61	2.07	0.81	6.03	5.35	33.04	34.09	36.94	35.98
M062X	5.92	7.14	6.32	4.86	-0.52	0.08	5.38	4.87	33.90	33.95	38.12	36.19
M06L	8.60	7.79	0.50	5.37	0.30	-0.97	5.98	5.86	34.24	33.81	36.18	36.10
revM06L	10.55	8.86	3.00	5.36	-0.14	-0.72	7.11	6.96	34.95	33.86	40.85	37.59
SCANfunc	3.24	6.36	4.51	3.65	-1.64	-1.27	4.48	5.30	32.06	33.66	35.66	35.88
wB97	7.57	8.17	6.67	5.00	1.32	0.79	7.61	5.47	34.92	33.89	39.66	37.75
wB97X	7.65	8.57	6.21	4.93	0.37	0.07	7.44	5.77	34.68	33.93	38.95	37.01
wB97X-D3	8.65	9.71	5.93	4.93	-0.06	0.06	6.48	5.50	34.09	33.96	38.39	37.18
wB97X-D4	7.36	8.83	6.30	4.87	-0.39	-0.08	6.02	5.57	34.21	33.96	38.58	37.48
wB97X-3BJ	7.44	8.86	6.31	4.81	-0.47	-0.20	6.03	5.61	34.35	33.92	38.26	37.45
CAM-3LYP	8.15	9.48	5.58	4.84	-0.37	-0.19	6.39	5.70	34.02	34.06	37.71	36.19

**Table S2:** Comparison between Gibbs free energies (kcal/mol) obtained by combining the DFT frequency calculations at 298.15 K and 1 bar, and DLPNO-CCSD(T) coupled-cluster electronic energies to these obtained purely from DFT calculations. All calculation used water as a solvent and employed the Def2-TZVP basis set.

Functional	Zwitterion				Carbamic acid				Carbamate			
	Forward		Backward		Forward		Backward		Forward		Backward	
	DFT	DFT + CC	DFT	DFT + CC	DFT	DFT + CC	DFT	DFT + CC	DFT	DFT + CC	DFT	DFT + CC
B3LYP	6.40	4.88	-6.40	-4.88	-6.70	-6.58	6.70	6.58	-3.26	-2.73	3.26	2.73
TPSS	4.45	3.99	-4.45	-3.99	-5.11	-6.29	5.11	6.29	-0.77	-2.20	0.77	2.20
TPSSh	6.26	6.24	-6.26	-6.24	-6.42	-6.71	6.42	6.71	-3.43	-3.84	3.43	3.84
<b>TPSS0</b>	<b>5.16</b>	<b>6.39</b>	<b>-5.16</b>	<b>-6.39</b>	<b>-8.04</b>	<b>-7.18</b>	<b>8.04</b>	<b>7.18</b>	<b>-3.78</b>	<b>-2.91</b>	<b>3.78</b>	<b>2.91</b>
M06	6.53	2.49	-6.53	-2.49	-3.96	-4.54	3.96	4.54	-3.90	-1.88	3.90	1.88
M062X	-0.39	2.27	0.39	-2.27	-5.90	-4.79	5.90	4.79	-4.22	-2.24	4.22	2.24
M06L	8.10	2.42	-8.10	-2.42	-5.68	-6.83	5.68	6.83	-1.94	-2.29	1.94	2.29
revM06L	7.55	3.50	-7.55	-3.50	-7.25	-7.68	7.25	7.68	-5.90	-3.73	5.90	3.73
SCANfunc	-1.27	2.71	1.27	-2.71	-6.12	-6.58	6.12	6.58	-3.60	-2.22	3.60	2.22
wB97	0.90	3.17	-0.90	-3.17	-6.29	-4.67	6.29	4.67	-4.74	-3.86	4.74	3.86
wB97X	1.45	3.63	-1.45	-3.63	-7.07	-5.70	7.07	5.70	-4.27	-3.08	4.27	3.08
wB97X-D3	2.73	4.78	-2.73	-4.78	-6.54	-5.44	6.54	5.44	-4.30	-3.22	4.30	3.22
wB97X-D4	1.06	3.96	-1.06	-3.96	-6.41	-5.64	6.41	5.64	-4.36	-3.52	4.36	3.52
wB97X-D3BJ	1.12	4.05	-1.12	-4.05	-6.50	-5.81	6.50	5.81	-3.91	-3.53	3.91	3.53
CAM-B3LYP	2.57	4.64	-2.57	-4.64	-6.76	-5.89	6.76	5.89	-3.69	-2.13	3.69	2.13

**Table S3:** Effect of including dispersion and geometrical counterpoise corrections on the zwitterion formation activation energy (kcal/mol) in the case of water. Activation energies were obtained by combining the DFT frequency calculations at 298.15 K and 1 bar, and DLPNO-CCSD(T) coupled-cluster electronic energies. All calculation used water as a solvent and employed the Def2-TZVP basis set.  $\Delta E_{\text{exp}}$  is the deviation from experimental activation energy (kcal/mol).

Functional	Without dispersion and counterpoise corrections		With both counterpoise and dispersion corrections		With dispersion correction only		With counterpoise correction only		$\Delta E_{\text{exp}}$
		$\Delta E_{\text{exp}}$		$\Delta E_{\text{exp}}$		$\Delta E_{\text{exp}}$		$\Delta E_{\text{exp}}$	
B3LYP	9.54	1.61	9.47	1.68	9.12	1.68	9.97	1.18	
TPSS	7.81	3.34	8.39	2.76	8.13	2.03	8.19	2.96	
TPSSh	10.39	0.76	8.91	2.24	8.61	3.02	10.80	0.35	
<b>TPSS0</b>	10.69	0.46	8.37	2.78	8.06	2.54	<b>11.13</b>	<b>0.02</b>	