

Supporting Information for:

Structures and properties of As(OH)₃ adsorption complexes on hydrated mackinawite (FeS) surfaces: A DFT-D2 study

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This supporting information contains the detailed information on all other conformations of As(OH)₃ adsorption complexes, structural parameters and vibrational frequency assignments at the water-FeS{001}, water-FeS{011}, and water-FeS{111} interfaces. It contains three Figures and four Tables.

Figure S1: Optimized outer- and inner-sphere adsorption complexes of $\text{As}(\text{OH})_3$ on $\text{FeS}(001)$ surface, in side (top) and top (bottom) views. (Colour scheme: (Colour scheme: Fe = grey, S = yellow, As = green, $\text{O}_{\text{water}} = \text{red}$, $\text{O}_{\text{As(III)}} = \text{pink}$, and H = white).

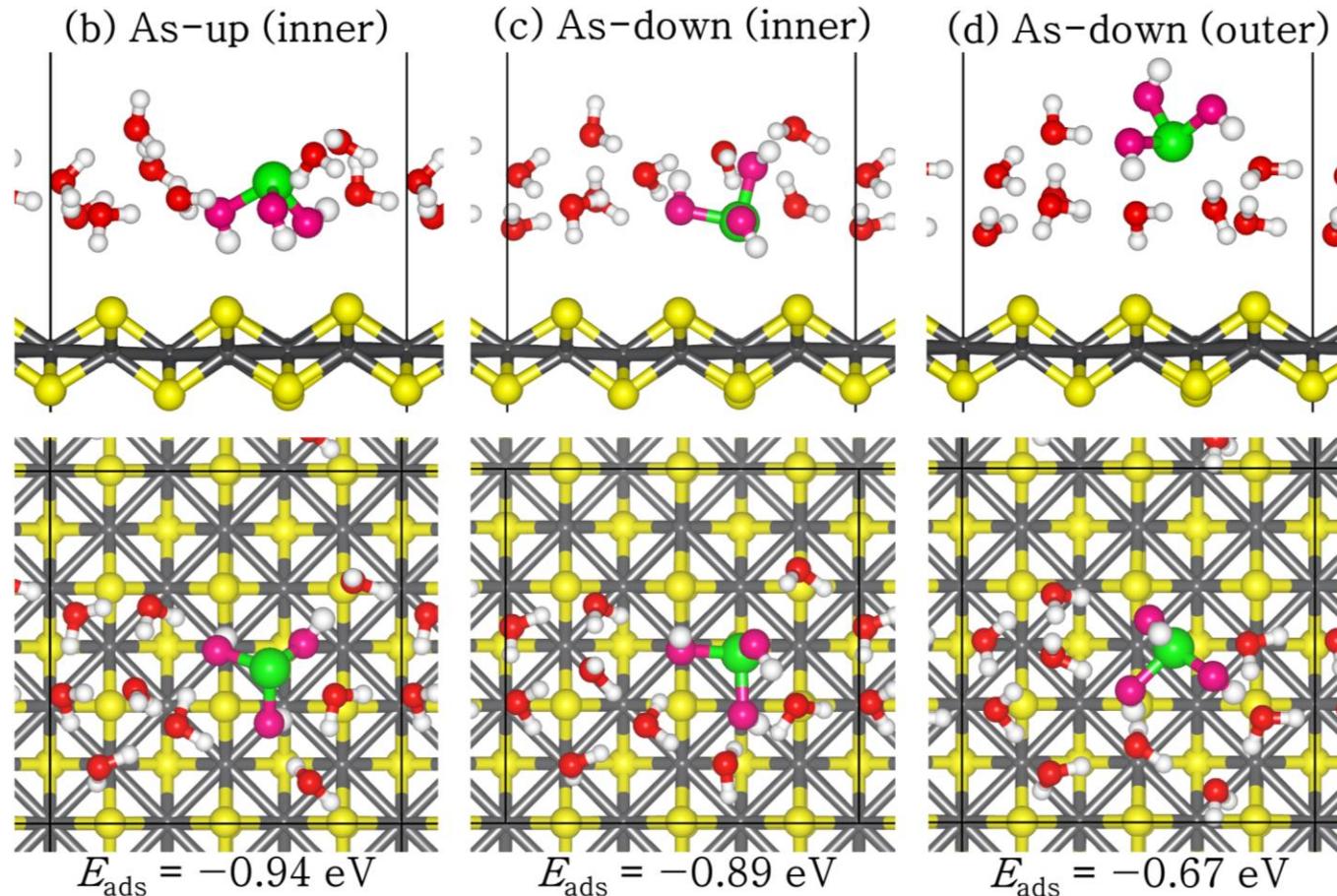


Figure S2: Optimized adsorption complexes of $\text{As}(\text{OH})_3$ on $\text{FeS}(011)$ surface, in side (top) and top (bottom) views. (Colour scheme: Fe = grey, S = yellow, As = green, O_{water} = red, $\text{O}_{\text{As(III)}}$ = pink, and H = white).

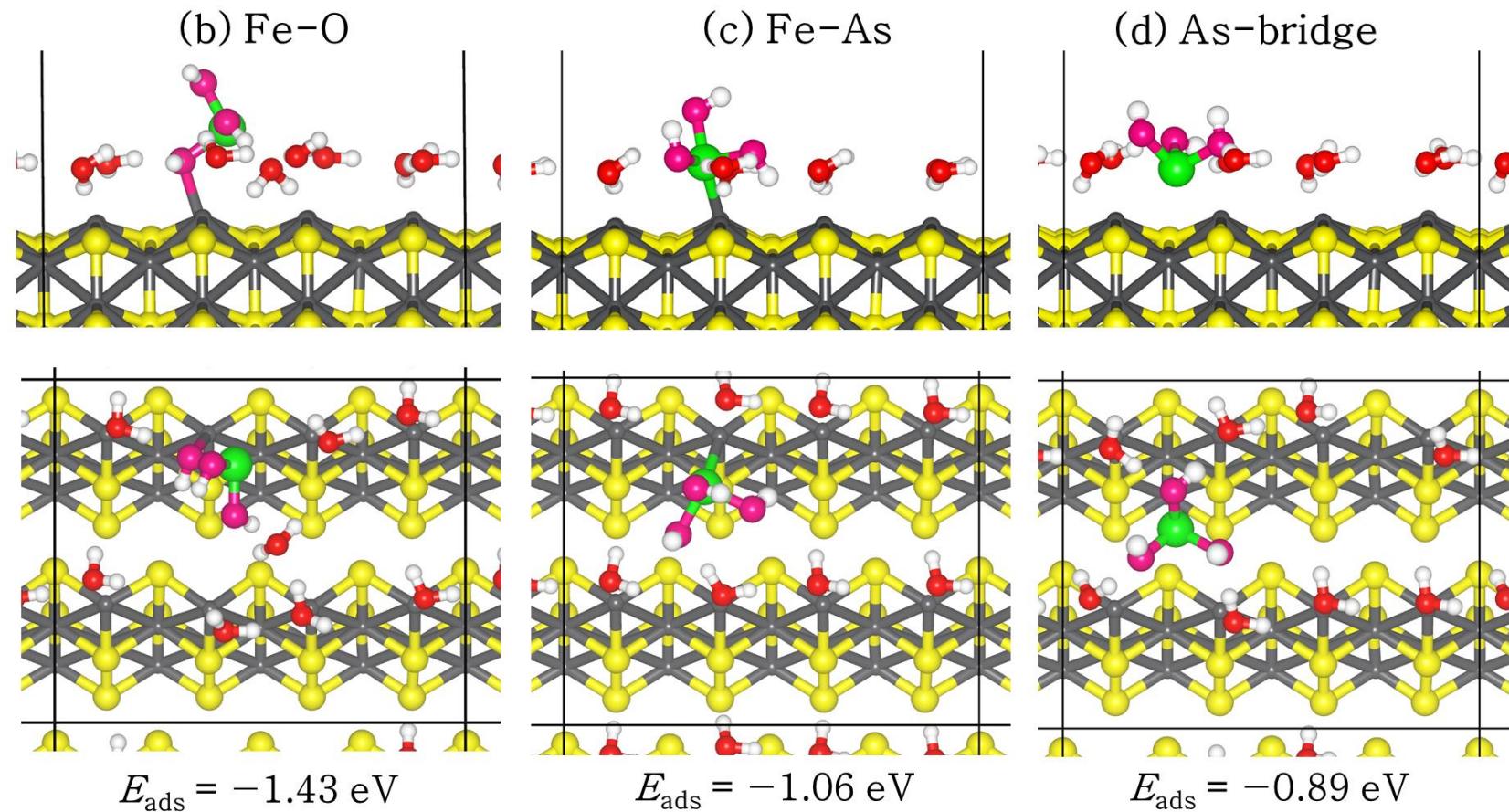


Figure S3: Optimized adsorption complexes of As(OH)_3 on $\text{FeS}(011)$ surface, in side (top) and top (bottom) views. (Colour scheme: Fe = grey, S = yellow, As = green, O_{water} = red, $\text{O}_{\text{As(III)}}$ = pink, and H = white).

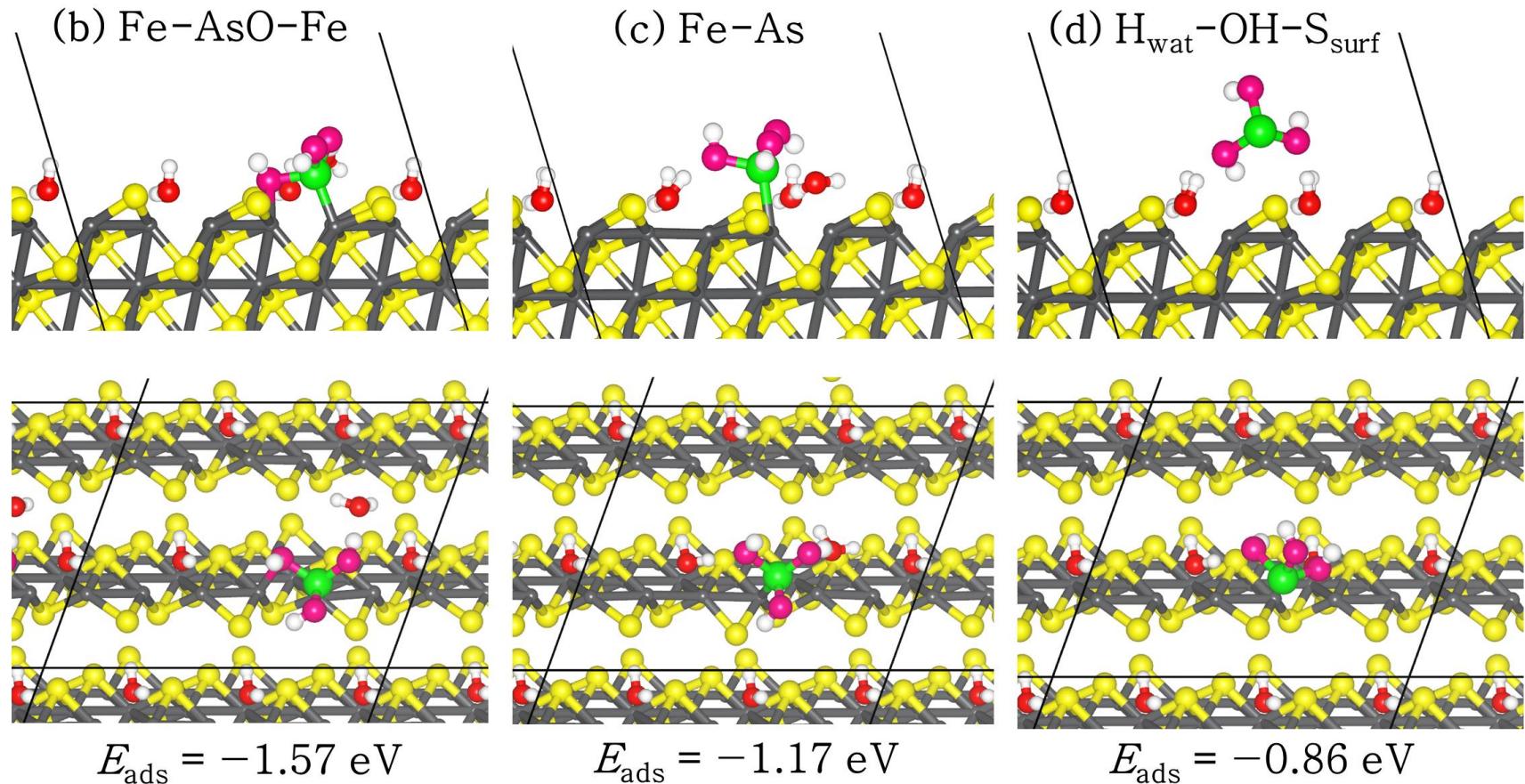


TABLE S1: Adsorption energies, variation of the total Bader charge, representative geometrical parameters, and interatomic distances of As(OH)_3 adsorption complexes at water–FeS{001} surface.

| Configuration | As-up (inner) | As-down (outer) | As-down (inner) |
|---|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| $E_{\text{ads}} / \text{eV}$ | -0.94 | -0.89 | -0.67 |
| $\sum q / e^-$ | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.02 |
| $d(\text{As–O}) / \text{\AA}$ | 1.867 | 1.864 | 1.875 |
| | 1.941 | 1.809 | 1.772 |
| | 1.772 | 1.789 | 1.866 |
| $d(\text{O–H}) / \text{\AA}$ | 0.979 | 0.995 | 0.980 |
| | 0.980 | 0.978 | 1.046 |
| | 1.031 | 1.002 | 0.975 |
| $d(\text{H}_{\text{mol}}–\text{O}_{\text{wat}}) / \text{\AA}$ | 1.578 | 1.709, 1.773 | 1.512 |
| $d(\text{H}_{\text{wat}}–\text{O}_{\text{mol}}) / \text{\AA}$ | 1.714, 1.800 | 1.613 | 1.811, 2.158 |
| $d(\text{H}_{\text{wat}}–\text{S}) / \text{\AA}$ | 2.502 | 2.318 | 2.819 |
| $d(\text{H}_{\text{mol}}–\text{S}) / \text{\AA}$ | 2.635 | 4.425 | 2.438 |
| $d(\text{As–S}) / \text{\AA}$ | 4.377 | 5.656 | 3.688 |

TABLE S2: Adsorption energies, variation of the total Bader charge, representative geometrical parameters, and interatomic distances of As(OH)_3 adsorption complexes at water–FeS{011} surface.

| Configuration | Fe–O | Fe–As | As–bridge |
|---|-------|--------------|---------------------|
| E_{ads} /eV | −1.43 | −1.06 | −0.89 |
| $\sum q$ /e [−] | 0.21 | 0.18 | 0.08 |
| $d(\text{As–O})$ /Å | 1.907 | 1.907 | 1.869 |
| | 1.793 | 1.840 | 1.883 |
| | 1.787 | 1.838 | 1.866 |
| $d(\text{O–H})$ /Å | 1.011 | 0.981 | 0.976 |
| | 0.983 | 0.978 | 0.993 |
| | 0.978 | 0.985 | 0.978 |
| $d(\text{H}_{\text{mol}}–\text{O}_{\text{wat}})$ /Å | 1.652 | 3.157 | 1.854 |
| $d(\text{H}_{\text{wat}}–\text{O}_{\text{mol}})$ /Å | 1.829 | 1.734, 2.489 | 1.640, 1.683, 1.708 |
| $d(\text{O–Fe})$ /Å | 2.216 | 3.968 | 3.545 |
| $d(\text{As–S})$ /Å | 4.147 | 2.960 | 3.404 |
| $d(\text{As–Fe})$ /Å | 3.348 | 2.464 | 3.787 |

TABLE S3: Adsorption energies, variation of the total Bader charge, representative geometrical parameters, and interatomic distances of As(OH)_3 adsorption complexes at water–FeS{111} surface.

| Configuration | Fe–AsO–Fe | Fe–As | H _{wat} –OH–S _{surf} |
|---|-----------|-------|--|
| E_{ads} /eV | −1.57 | −1.17 | −0.86 |
| $\sum q$ /e [−] | 0.22 | 0.16 | 0.01 |
| $d(\text{As–O})$ /Å | 1.835 | 1.853 | 1.860 |
| | 1.788 | 1.794 | 1.848 |
| | 1.758 | 1.783 | 1.816 |
| $d(\text{O–H})$ /Å | 1.014 | 0.991 | 0.980 |
| | 0.988 | 0.986 | 0.978 |
| | 0.980 | 0.978 | 0.978 |
| $d(\text{H}_{\text{mol}}–\text{O}_{\text{wat}})$ /Å | 1.659 | 1.784 | 2.800 |
| $d(\text{H}_{\text{wat}}–\text{O}_{\text{mol}})$ /Å | 3.838 | 1.619 | 1.600, 1.740 |
| $d(\text{H}_{\text{wat}}–\text{S})$ /Å | 2.033 | 2.023 | 2.033 |
| $d(\text{H}_{\text{mol}}–\text{S})$ /Å | 2.426 | 2.352 | 3.549 |
| $d(\text{O–Fe})$ /Å | 2.091 | 3.332 | 3.557 |
| $d(\text{As–S})$ /Å | 3.078 | 3.195 | 3.271 |
| $d(\text{As–Fe})$ /Å | 2.217 | 2.530 | 4.235 |

Table S4: Molecular vibrational frequencies (in cm^{-1}) of adsorbed As(OH)_3 at water–FeS interfaces.

| Surface | Configuration | $\nu(\text{As–O})$ | | | $\nu(\text{O–H})$ | | |
|----------|------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| | | As–O1 | As–O2 | As–O3 | O1–H | O2–H | O2–H |
| | Free As(OH)_3 | 700.8 (710) ^a | 639.1 (655) ^a | 638.3 (655) ^a | 3738.1 | 3711.5 | 3674.7 |
| FeS(001) | As–up–inner | 715.2 | 553.7 | 460.5 | 3648.4 | 3637.0 | 2666.1 |
| | As–down–outer | 684.61 | 636.4 | 563.9 | 3679.3 | 3317.0 | 3177.2 |
| | As–down–inner | 718.0 | 564.3 | 546.3 | 3644.6 | 3607.7 | 2446.9 |
| FeS(011) | As–bridge | 562.4 | 529.7 | 523.1 | 3708.8 | 3695.0 | 3381.9 |
| | Fe–As | 584.9 | 570.1 | 462.9 | 3700.4 | 3659.5 | 3530.9 |
| | Fe–O | 696.1 | 654.4 | 599.5 | 3680.6 | 3621.9 | 3011.3 |
| FeS(111) | Fe–AsO–Fe | 686.6 | 639.7 | 573.0 | 3644.7 | 3451.0 | 2977.6 |
| | Fe–As | 670.4 | 629.6 | 549.2 | 3708.1 | 3485.8 | 3403.5 |
| | Fe–O | 634.0 | 586.5 | 557.6 | 3701.5 | 3674.6 | 3633.1 |

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