

# Binding of Divalent Metal Ions with Deprotonated Peptides: Do Gas-Phase Anions Parallel the Condensed Phase?

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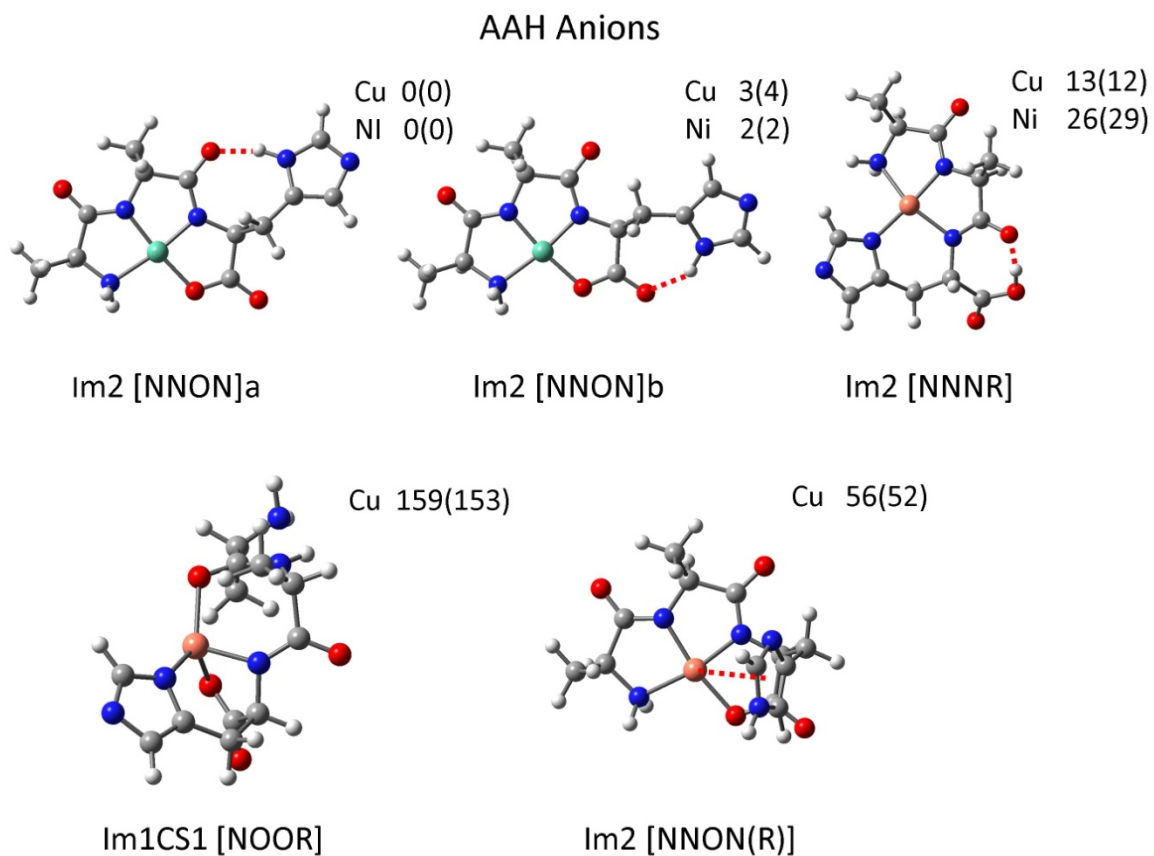
## I. Structures and Energies of Complexes

Energies (kJ/mol) are relative to the lowest-energy complex of the given metal and isomer. Values in parentheses are free energies (harmonic vibrations, free rotors) at 300 K.

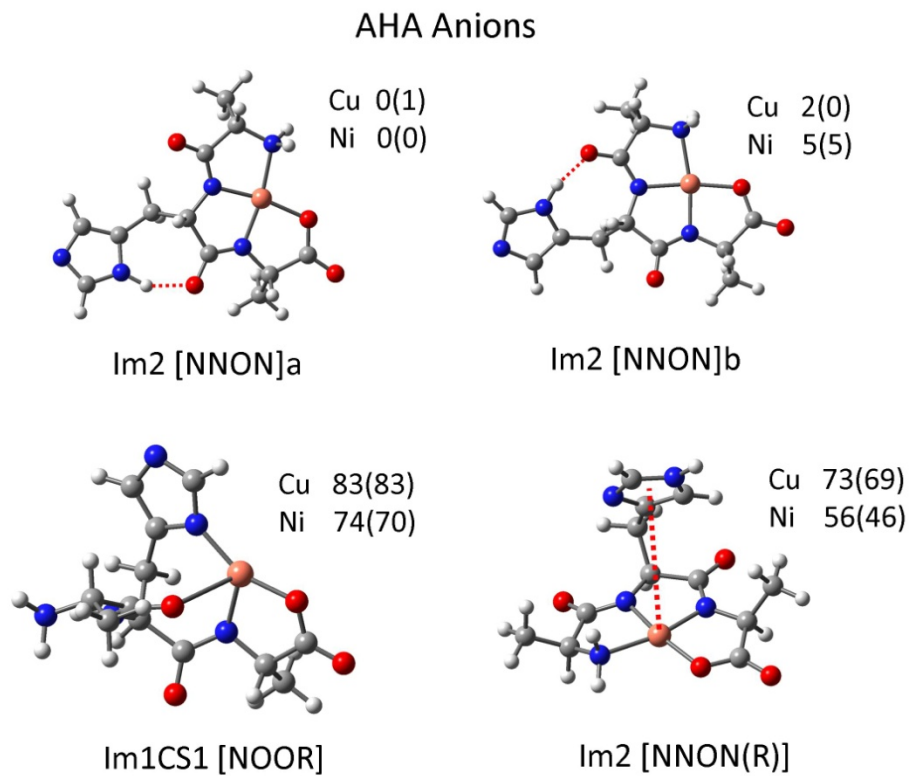
Peptide / conformer	Ni <sup>2+</sup>	Cu <sup>2+</sup>
<b>AAH</b>		
Im2[NNON]a	0 (0)	0 (0)
Im2[NNON]b	2 (2)	3 (4)
Im2[NNNR]	26 (29)	13 (12)
Im2[NNON(R)]		56 (52)
Im1CS1[NOOR]		159 (153)
<b>AHA</b>		
Im2[NNON]a	0 (0)	0 (1)
Im2[NNON]b	5 (5)	2 (0)
Im2[NNON(R)]	56 (46)	73 (69)
Im1CS1[NOOR]	74 (70)	83 (83)
<b>HAA</b>		
Im2[NNON]a	0 (0)	0 (0)
Im2[NNON]b	2 (2)	31 (28)
Im2[NNOR]	59 (59)	36 (39)
Im1CS1[NOOR]	109 (102)	60 (68)
Im2[NNON(R)]	114 (98)	*

\* Rearranges to Im2[NNON]b

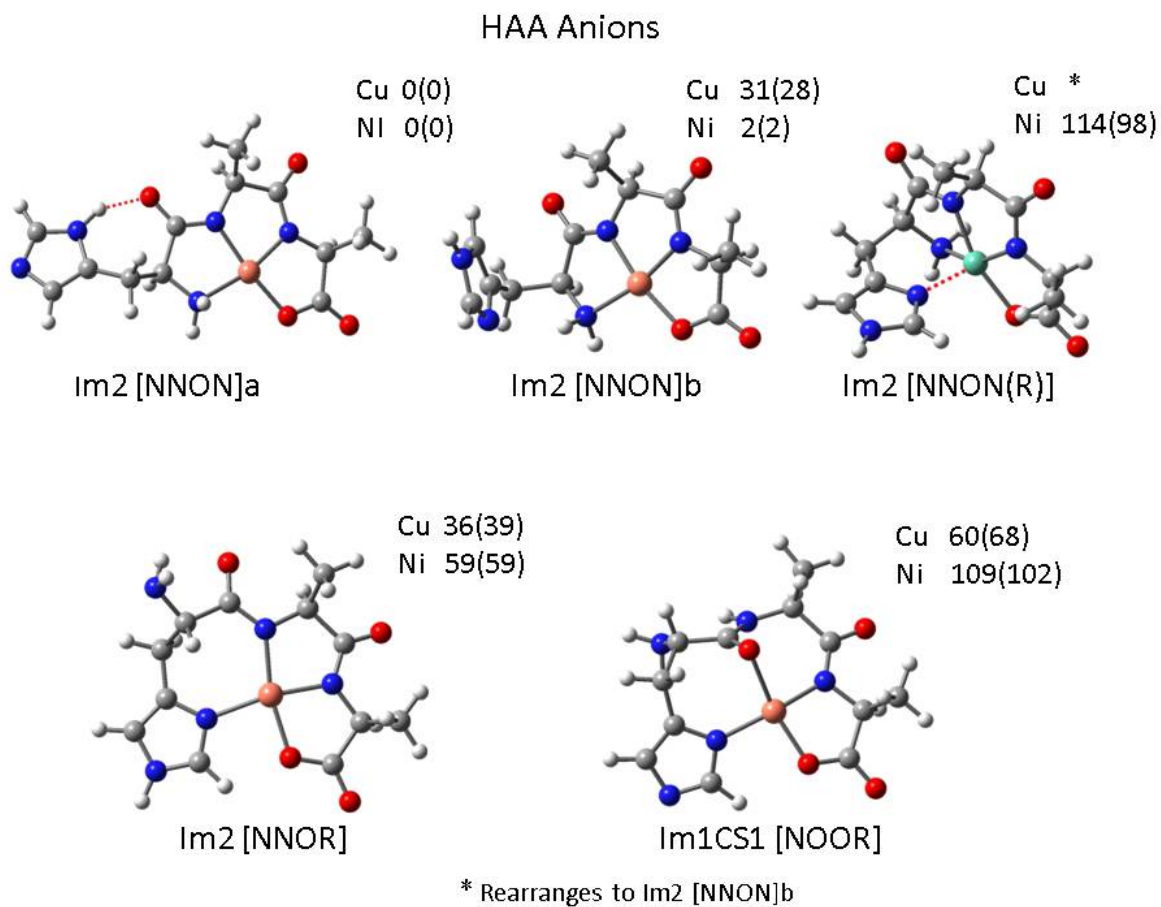
**Fig. S1.** Computed structures for complexes of  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Ni}^{2+}$  with AlaAlaHis with an overall  $-1$  charge (ligand triply deprotonated). Relative energies are given in kJ/mol with free energies in brackets.



**Fig. S2.** Computed structures for complexes of  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Ni}^{2+}$  with AlaHisAla with an overall  $-1$  charge (ligand triply deprotonated). Relative energies are given in kJ/mol with free energies in brackets.

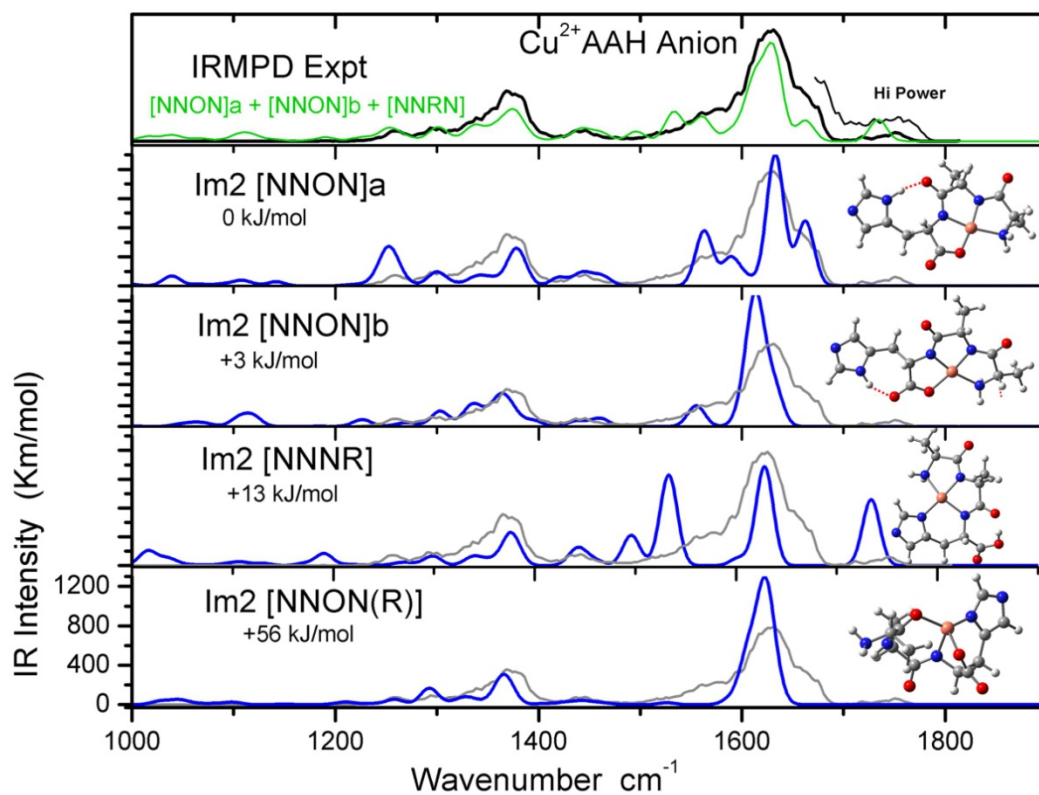


**Fig. S3.** Computed structures for complexes of  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Ni}^{2+}$  with HisAlaAla with an overall  $-1$  charge (ligand triply deprotonated). Relative energies are given in kJ/mol with free energies in brackets.

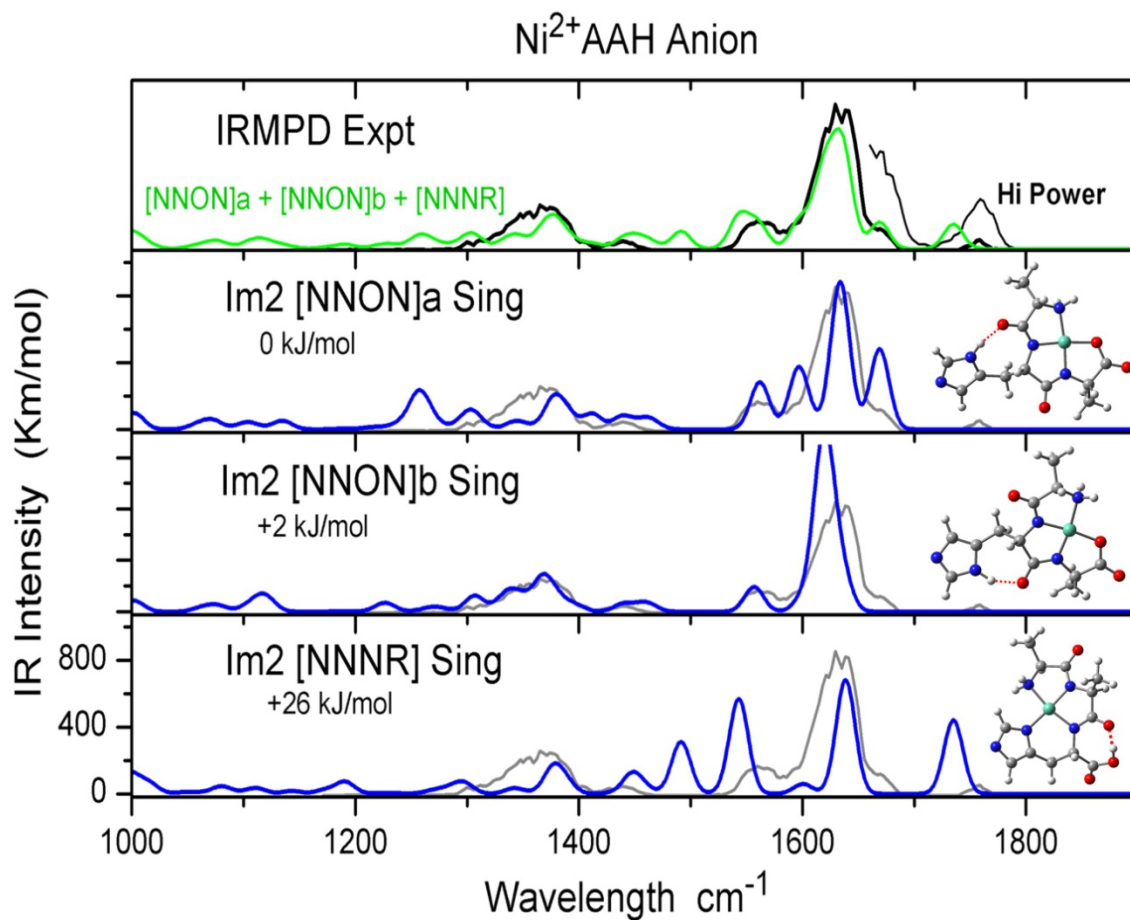


## II. Computed spectra and fits to experiment

**Fig. S4:** IRMPD spectrum of the CuAAH anion compared to computed spectra for different coordination motifs and different conformations of them. The green modeled spectrum in the top panel is a 1:1 average of the two lowest-energy Im2[NNON] structures, with 25% of the spectrum of Im2[NNNR] added. Computed energies in kJ mol<sup>-1</sup> are given.



**Fig. S5:** IRMPD spectrum of the NiAAH anion compared to computed spectra for different coordination motifs and different conformations of them. The green modeled spectrum in the top panel is a 1:1 average of the two lowest-energy Im2[NNON] structures, with 25% of the spectrum of Im2[NNNR] added. Computed energies in  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$  are given.



**Fig. S6:** IRMPD spectrum of the CuAHA anion compared to computed spectra for different coordination motifs and different conformations of them. The green modeled spectrum in the top panel is a 1:1 average of the two lowest-energy Im2[NNON] structures. Computed energies in kJ mol<sup>-1</sup> are given.

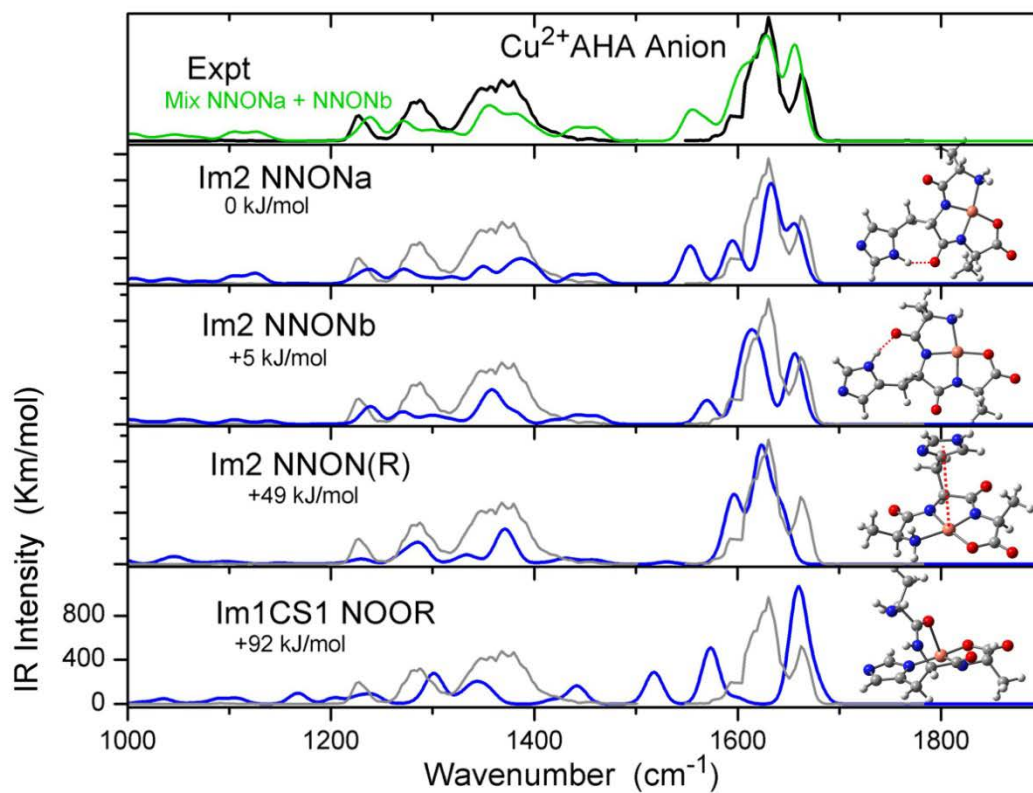
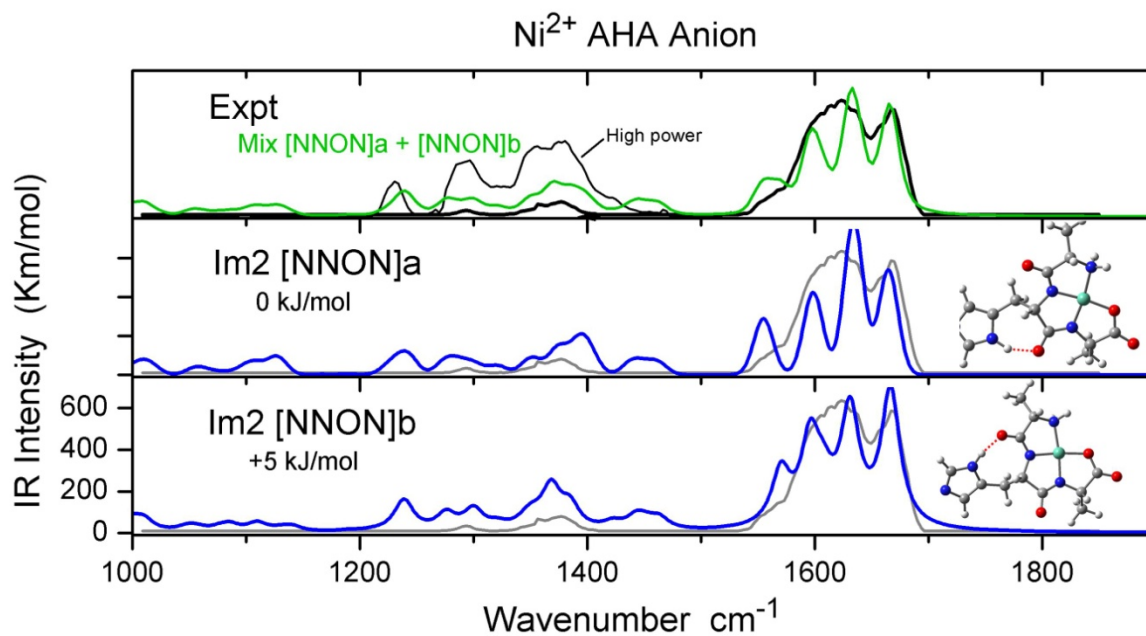
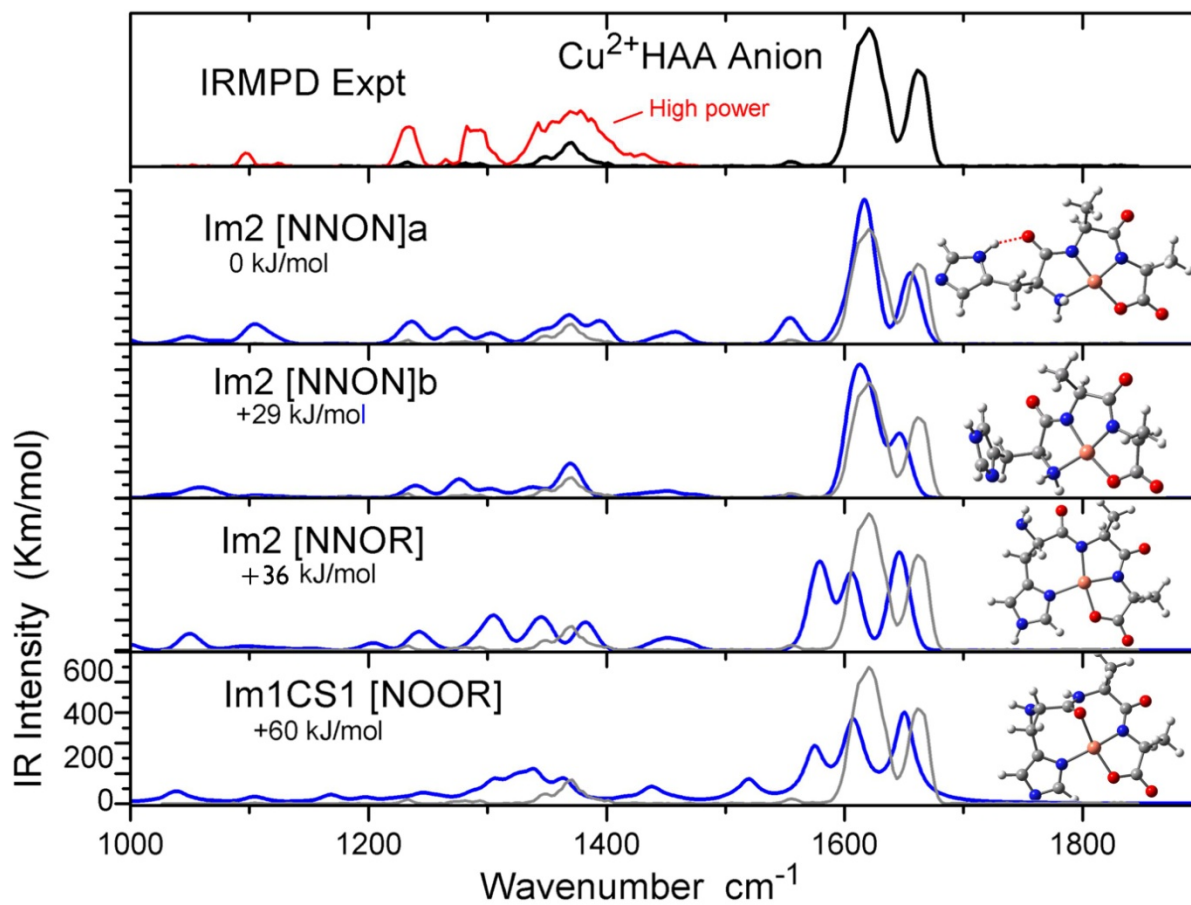




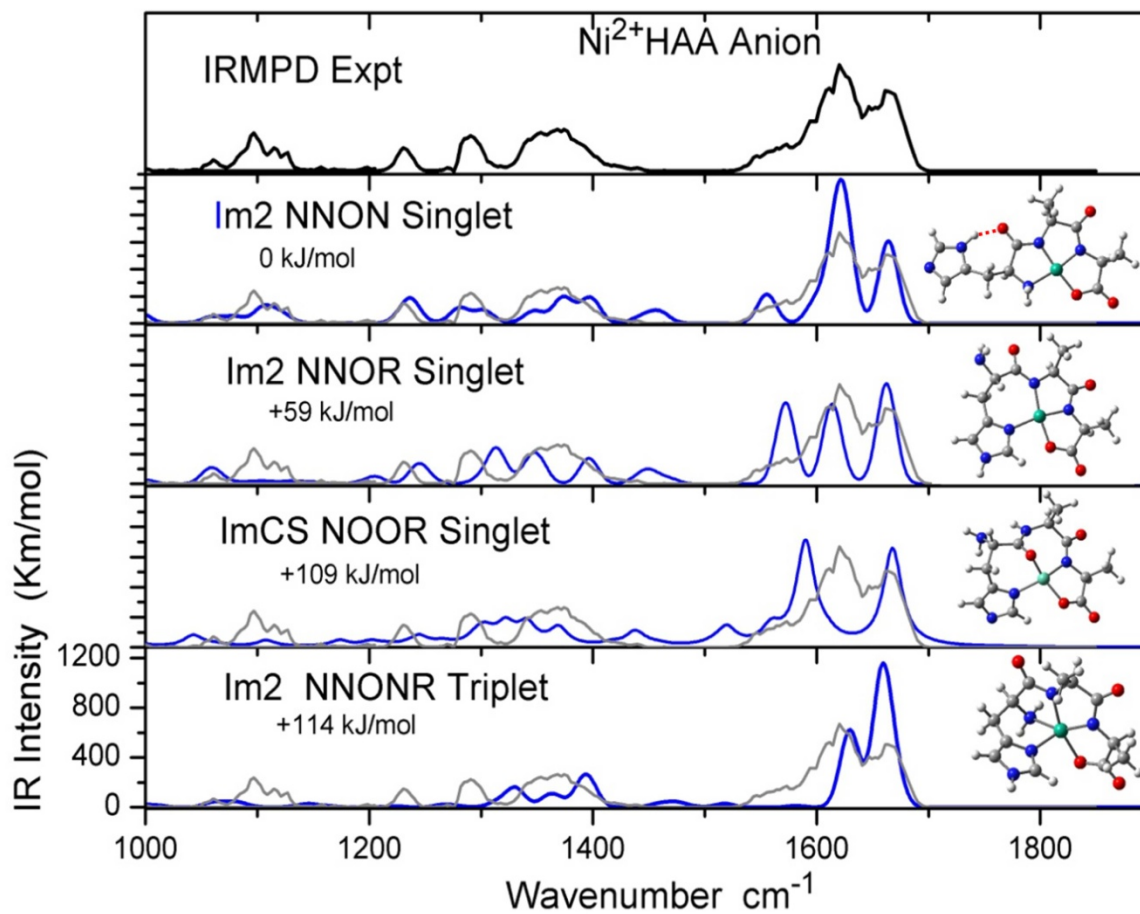
Fig. S7: IRMPD spectrum of the NiAHA anion compared to computed spectra for different coordination motifs and different conformations of them. The green modeled spectrum in the top panel is a 1:1 average of the two lowest-energy Im2[NNON] structures. Computed energies in kJ mol<sup>-1</sup> are given.



**Fig. S8:** IRMPD spectrum of the CuHAA anion compared to computed spectra for different coordination motifs and different conformations of them. Computed energies in  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$  are given.



**Fig. S9:** IRMPD spectrum of the NiHAA anion compared to computed spectra for different coordination motifs and different conformations of them. Computed energies in  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$  are given.



### III. Complete Citation for Reference 43.

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