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# Ab initio Quantum-Chemical Calculations and Spectroscopic Studies of the Intramolecular $\pi$ -Type Hydrogen Bonding in Small Cyclic Molecules

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Abstract: Ab initio single-point energy computations at the CCSD(T)/aug-ccpVTZ level have been carried out on nine molecules possessing intramolecular  $\pi$ type hydrogen bonding. These computations were done using the calculated geometrical structures from CCSD/cc-pVTZ optimizations. The outcome has been analyzed together with previous spectroscopic and theoretical work. Results are presented for 3-cyclopenten-1-ol, 2-indanol, 2-cylopenten-1-ol, 2-cyclohexen-1-ol, 3-cyclohexen-1-ol, and 2-cyclopropen-1-ol with O–H···π(C=C) bonding. Results for 3-cyclopenten-1-amine and 2-cyclopropen 1-amine with N–H··· $\pi$ (C=C) bonding and for 2-cyclopropen-1-thiol with S-H··· $\pi$ (C=C) bonding are also discussed. For each molecule, the conformer with a weak intramolecular  $\pi$ -type hydrogen bond was found to be the global minimum, with the exception of 2-cyclopropen-1-thiol. In this case, the S– H··· $\pi$  bonded conformer is higher in energy, indicating a weaker interaction. The hydrogen bonded conformers for the cyclic alcohols typically have conformational energies about 250 to 350 cm<sup>-1</sup> lower than the other conformers. For the amines the lowering is about half of that. The infrared and Raman spectra for several molecules in the O-H stretching region show hydrogen bonded conformers to be at the lowest frequencies. The calculated potential energy surfaces for six of the molecules are also presented.

**Keywords:**  $\pi$ -type intramolecular hydrogen bonding; Raman spectroscopy; infrared spectroscopy; conformations; potential energy surface; CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ

# 1. Introduction

Hydrogen bonding occurs in simple molecules, crystals, supramolecular systems and biological molecules [1–65]. The hydrogen bonds can be intermolecular [8–22,58] or intramolecular [12–65]. Weak intramolecular hydrogen bonded interactions are often of great interest [13,34–65]. In particular, the intramolecular  $\pi$ -type hydrogen bonding between C=C double bonds with OH groups [13,35–58], NH<sub>2</sub> groups [51,56–63], and SH groups [57,61,64,65] have been studied over the years by several research groups.

For more than 50 years the Laane research group has been engaged in the investigation of the conformational dynamics of small ring molecules as well as internal rotations [56,66–74]. A research area on which we have focused involves the spectroscopic and computational investigation of weak intramolecular  $\pi$ -type hydrogen bonding between OH [49–57], NH<sub>2</sub> [51,56,57,59] and SH [57] groups and C=C double bonds in molecules, namely X–H··· $\pi$ (C=C), where X=O, N or S. Infrared and Raman spectroscopy as well as a variety of computational methods have been utilized [49–57,59].



Among the molecules which we have studied are 3-cyclopenten-1-ol (I) [49–51], 2-indanol (II) [52], 2-cyclopenten-1-ol (III) [51,53], 2-cyclohexen-1-ol (IV) [51,54], 3-cyclohexen-1-ol (V) [55] and 2-cyclopropen-1-ol (VI) [57], all of which possess weak intramolecular O–H··· $\pi$  hydrogen bonds. 3-Cyclopenten-1-amine (VII) [51,59], 2-cyclopropen-1-amine (VIII) [57], which possess weak intramolecular N–H··· $\pi$  hydrogen bonds, and 2-cyclopropen-1-thiol (IX) [57], which possesses a weak intramolecular S–H··· $\pi$  hydrogen bond have also been investigated. The molecules I to IX are shown in the scheme below.

In previous work, we performed CCSD/cc-pVTZ and MP2/cc-pVTZ geometrical structure optimizations and energy calculations for each of the molecules I-IX. However, the calculated relative energy order for the conformers from CCSD computations did not agree with those from the MP2 ones in every case. Therefore, in order to provide a homogeneous labelling of the conformers of the molecules according to their relative energies, we decided to utilize the order resulting from our newly done single-point energy CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ computations. The optimized geometrical structures used for the input for the new calculations were derived from CCSD/cc-pVTZ computations which were previously carried out [51,53–55,57,59], with the exception of 2-indanol, which comes from our present work. CCSD(T) stands for coupled-cluster singles, doubles and perturbative triples and CCSD stands for coupled cluster singles and doubles. Aug-cc-pVTZ is the augmented version of the Dunning's correlation-consistent basis set, polarized, triple-zeta basis set (cc-pVTZ). As a result, the order of the calculated relative energies and the labelling of the conformers have been modified for several molecules.

The present paper presents the experimental results and the previously calculated potential energy surfaces with the updated labelling for each conformer of the molecules. We also present tables comparing of the single-point energy calculations results from the CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ computations with the results of the energy calculations from the full geometry optimizations carried out by CCSD/cc-pVTZ and MP2/cc-pVTZ computations [49,51–55,57,59]. We also present calculated geometrical structural parameters for the conformers of each molecule along with the experimental OH, NH and C=C stretching vibrational frequencies wherever available.

## 2. Materials and Methods

## 2.1. Computations

The Gaussian16 program [75] was used for the theoretical computations, and the GaussView 6.1.1 program [76] was used to visualize the structures. Maple (2015, 2019.2) software [77] was used to attain the potential energy surfaces (PES).

The definitions for the ring-puckering angle, ring-puckering (x), ring-twisting angle as well as (O, S)H and NH<sub>2</sub> internal rotational coordinates are shown in Figure 1.

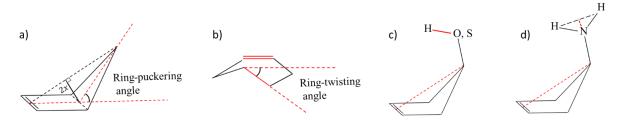


Figure 1. (a) Definition of the ring-puckering angle. The ring-puckering coordinate x is also shown. (b) Definition of the ring-twisting angle of a six-membered ring. The ring-twisting angle is the dihedral angle formed between the double bond and the C-C bond indicated in red. (c) The (O, S)H internal rotation angle is measured by the dihedral angle formed by the dashed line and the (O, S)-H bond. (d) The NH<sub>2</sub> internal rotation angle is measured by the dihedral angle formed by the two red dashed lines, where one of them links the N atom with the midpoint of the black dashed line.

## 2.2. Experimental

## 2.2.1. Infrared Spectra

The infrared (IR) spectra were previously obtained with a 4.2 m Infrared Industries long path multireflection cell with KBr windows for 3-cyclopenten-1-ol [50,51] and with a 10 cm mid-infrared cell with KBr windows for 2-cylopenten-1-ol [53], 2-cyclohexen-1-ol [54], 3-cyclohexen-1-ol [55] and 3-cyclopenten-1-amine [59]. The samples were purified by trap-to-trap distillation. The vapor-phase IR spectra were recorded using a Bruker Vertex 70 instrument, which was purged by a stream of dry nitrogen gas.

### 2.2.2. Raman Spectra

The Raman spectra of vapor samples of 3-cyclopenten-1-ol (I) [50,51], 2-cyclohexen-1-ol (IV) [54], 3-cyclohexen-1-ol [(V) 55] and 3-cyclopenten-1-amine (VII) [59] were collected with a Jobin Yvon U-1000 spectrometer equipped with a charge coupled device (CCD) detector. A Coherent Verdi V10 Nd:YAG laser operating at 532 nm was the excitation source. A heatable Raman cell was used [78,79]. Figure 2a shows an image of the Raman cell in front of the lens of the equipment at the entrance of the double monochromator of the spectrometer. Figure 2b,c show the Raman cell unwrapped and wrapped with a heating tape, respectively.

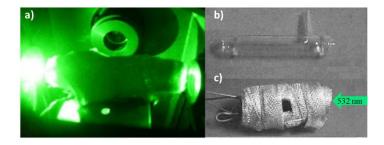


Figure 2. (a) Wrapped Raman cell in front of the lens of the instrument at the entrance of the double monochromator of the spectrometer. (b) Glass Raman cell into which the sample was introduced for purification and vaporization. (c) Wrapped Raman cell with heatable tape.

All of the IR and Raman spectra have been previously reported [50,51,53–55,59].

# 3. Results

## 3.1. Unsaturated 5-Membered Ring Molecules with Weak Intramolecular Hydrogen Bonding

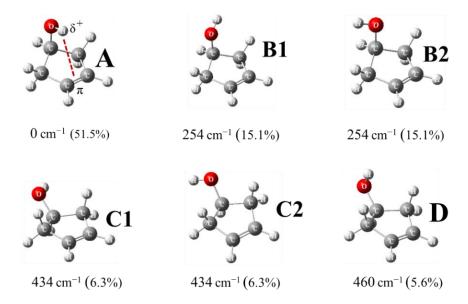
# 3.1.1. 3-Cyclopenten-1ol (I)

3-Cyclopenten-1-ol possesses six conformers which can interconvert into each other through ring-puckering and OH internal rotational motions. Conformer **A** in Figure 3 possesses the  $\pi$  type hydrogen bonding and is of lowest energy. Conformers **B1** and **B2** are mirror images of each other. Similarly, conformers **C1** and **C2** are also mirror images. Figure 4a shows the calculated potential energy surface (PES) from MP2/6-31+G(d,p) computations for this molecule [49]. For simplification, the minima for **B2** and **C2** are not shown since they have the same energy as their mirror images.

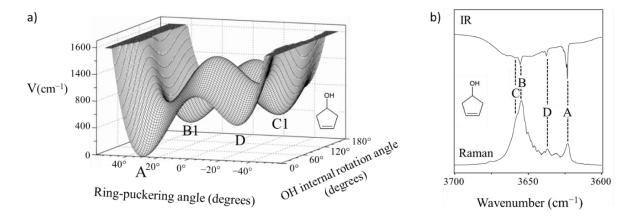
The conformer with lowest energy of 3-cyclopenten-1-ol is **A** which lies 254 cm<sup>-1</sup> (0.73 kcal/mol) to 460 cm<sup>-1</sup> (1.32 kcal/mol) lower in energy than the other conformers according to CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ computations. This conformer has a calculated population abundance of 51.5% in its vapor state at room temperature. Table 1 presents the calculated relative energies of 3-cyclopenten-1-ol from ab initio CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ, CCSD/cc-pVTZ and MP2/cc-pVTZ computations. This table also shows the calculated distance from the hydrogen atom attached to the oxygen to the center of the double bond (Å). The ring-puckering angle (degrees) and the OH internal rotation angle (degrees) for each conformer are also shown.

Conformer A is the only conformer of 3-cyclopenten-1-ol which possesses the weak intramolecular  $O-H\cdots\pi$  hydrogen bond, and this is responsible for lowering its conformational energy. This conformer has a weakened O-H bond due to the intramolecular interaction and has a sharp IR peak for the vapor phase molecule for its O-H stretch at 3623 cm<sup>-1</sup> as shown in Figure 4b. This vibrational frequency is 14 to 35 cm<sup>-1</sup> lower than those of the other conformers listed in Table 1 along with the C=C stretching frequencies for all of the conformers. [50,51]. All of the IR peaks were confirmed by vapor-phase Raman spectroscopy at 186° [50,51].

The observed double bond C=C stretching frequency for conformer **A** at 1607 cm<sup>-1</sup> is lower than the frequencies for the other conformers reflecting a slight weakening of the C=C bond resulting from the  $\pi$  bonding [50,51]. The calculated hydrogen bond O–H··· $\pi$  angle in degrees is 99.9° from CCSD/cc-pVTZ and 101.6° from MP2/cc-pVTZ computations [55].



**Figure 3.** Calculated geometrical structures of the six conformers of 3-cyclopenten-1-ol from CCSD/cc-pVTZ computations. The relative energies and vapor-phase populations (in parentheses) at 25 °C for each conformer are from CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ computations.



**Figure 4.** (a) Calculated PES from MP2/6-31+G(d,p) computations for 3-cyclopenten-1-ol. (b) Vapor-phase infrared spectrum at 25  $^{\circ}$ C and Raman spectrum at 186  $^{\circ}$ C of 3-cyclopenten-1-ol in the OH stretching region.

**Table 1.** Calculated relative energies and selected geometrical structural parameters of the conformers of 3-cyclopenten-1-ol (I) and observed OH and C=C bonds vibrational frequencies in the vapor phase.

Conformers Labelled According to the CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ Calculated									
	Energies								
	$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \delta^{+}$	B1	B2	C1	C2	D	Reference		
Method of calculation			Relative	energy (cm <sup>-1</sup> )					
CCSD(T)/aug-cc- pVTZ	0	254	254	434	434	460	This work		
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	0	301	301	402	402	411	[51]		
MP2/cc-pVTZ	0	401	401	560	560	564	[49]		

Table 1. Cont.

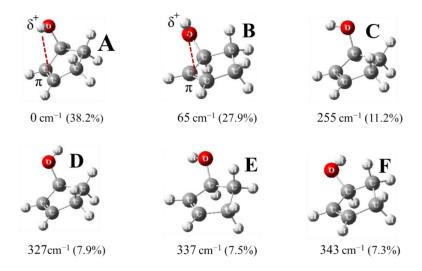
	Conformers Labelled According to the CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ Calculated Energies								
	A S	B1	B2	C1	C2	D D	Reference		
	Hydrogen at	ttached to the	oxygen dist	ance to the ce	nter of the dou	ıble bond (Å)			
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	2.744	3.664	3.664	4.109	4.109	3.701	This work		
MP2/cc-pVTZ	2.672	3.622	3.622	4.105	4.105	3.715	This work		
1		R	ing-puckerii	ng angle (degr	rees)				
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	28.0°	22.1°	22.1°	-26.8°	-26.8°	-28.0°	[51]		
MP2/cc-pVTZ	30.2°	24.3°	24.3°	-29.5°	-29.5°	-30.6°	[49]		
1		OH	internal rota	tion angle (de	egrees)				
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	$0$ $\circ$	117.4°	-117.4°	130.0°	-130.0°	$0 \circ$	This work		
MP2/cc-pVTZ	$0$ $\circ$	116.7°	-116.7°	130.1°	-130.1°	$0^{\circ}$	This work		
Observed		Vibrational frequencies (cm <sup>-1</sup> )							
OH stretch	3623	3655	3655	3659	3659	3638	[50,51]		
C=C stretch	1607	1620	1620	1615	1615	1609	[50,51]		

# 3.1.2. 2-Cyclopenten-1-ol (III)

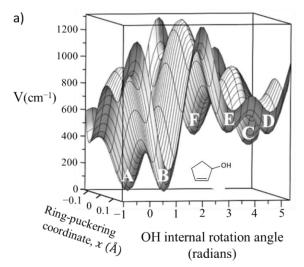
2-Cyclopenten-1-ol possesses six conformers which can interconvert into each other by ring-puckering and OH internal rotational motions. Figure 5 shows the calculated geometric structures of the conformers. Figure 6a shows the calculated potential energy surface (PES) from MP2/cc-pVTZ computations for this molecule [53].

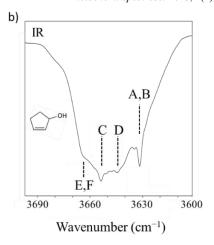
Conformers **A** and **B** possess weak intramolecular O–H···π hydrogen bonds. Conformer **A** lies 255 cm<sup>-1</sup> (0.73 kcal/mol) to 343 cm<sup>-1</sup> (0.98 kcal/mol) lower in energy than the conformers with no intramolecular hydrogen bonding, whereas conformer **B** lies 190 cm<sup>-1</sup> (0.54 kcal/mol) to 278 cm<sup>-1</sup> (0.79 kcal/mol) lower in energy than the conformers with no intramolecular hydrogen bonding according to CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ computations. The calculated populations for the two conformers are 38% for **A** and 30% for **B** for their vapor states at room temperature. Table 2 presents the calculated relative energies of 2-cyclopenten-1-ol from ab initio CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ, CCSD/cc-pVTZ and MP2/cc-pVTZ computations. The table also presents calculated geometrical structural parameters of 2-cyclopenten-1-ol.

Conformers **A** and **B**, which possess the weak intramolecular  $O-H\cdots\pi$  hydrogen bonds, together show a sharp IR peak at 3632 cm<sup>-1</sup> for their O-H stretching vibrations. This vibrational frequency is 12 to 32 cm<sup>-1</sup> lower than those of the other conformers without the hydrogen bonding as can also be seen in Table 2. Figure 6b shows this for 2-cyclopenten-1-ol in the OH stretching region. The observed double bond C=C stretching frequency for conformer **A** is at 1609 cm<sup>-1</sup> [53]. The calculated hydrogen bond O-H··· $\pi$  angle for conformer **A** in degrees is 86.6° from CCSD/cc-pVTZ and 88.2° from MP2/cc-pVTZ computations [55].



**Figure 5.** Calculated geometrical structures of the six conformers of 2-cyclopenten-1-ol from CCSD/cc-pVTZ computations. The calculated relative energies and vapor-phase populations (in parentheses) at 25 °C are from CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ computations.





**Figure 6. (a)** Calculated PES from MP2/cc-pVTZ computations for 2-cyclopenten-1-ol. **(b)** Vapor-phase infrared spectrum at 25 °C in the OH stretching region.

**Table 2.** Calculated relative energies and selected geometrical structural parameters of the conformers of 2-cyclopenten-1-ol (III) and observed OH and C=C stretch vibrational frequencies in the vapor phase.

	Con	Conformers Labelled According to the CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ Calculated Energies						
	$\overset{\delta^{\dagger}}{\underset{\pi}{\bigcirc}} \mathbf{A}$	δ <sup>†</sup> B	C	D	E	o F	Reference	
Method of calculation			Relative e	nergy (cm <sup>-1</sup> )			_	
CCSD(T)/aug-cc- pVTZ	0	65	255	327	337	343	This work	
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	0	9	293	304	308	361	[53]	
MP2/cc-pVTZ	0	89	308	406	406	409	[51,53]	
	Hydroger	n atom on the	oxygen distan	ce to the cent	ter of the doub	ole bond (Å)		
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	2.682	3.001	3.019	3.554	3.335	3.680	[53]	
MP2/cc-pVTZ	2.631	2.997	2.972	3.534	3.337	3.678	[51]	
		H	Ring-puckering	g angle (degr	ees)			
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	-21.1°	22.5°	-23.1°	22.8°	23.7°	-22.8°	[53]	
MP2/cc-pVTZ	-23.6°	24.3°	-25.7°	24.4°	25.6°	-25.3°	[51,53]	
		OH	I internal rotat	ion angle (de	grees)			
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	24.8°	39.2°	284.3°	269.0°	172.3°	166.9°	[53]	
MP2/cc-pVTZ	22.6°	38.7°	286.4°	268.6°	172.3°	166.9°	[53]	
Observed			Vibrational fre	equencies (cn	$n^{-1}$ )			
OH stretch	3632	3632	3654	3644	3664	3664	[53]	
C=C stretch	1609	Not reported	Not reported	Not reported	Not reported	Not reported	[53]	

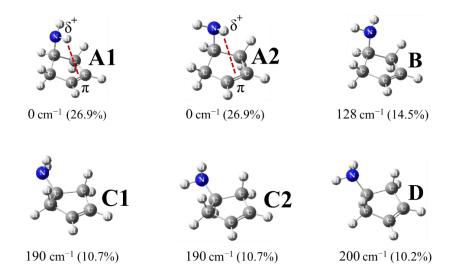
## 3.1.3. 3-Cyclopenten-1-amine (VII)

3-Cyclopenten-1-amine possesses six conformers which can interconvert into each other by ring-puckering and NH<sub>2</sub> internal rotation. Conformers A1 and A2 are mirror images of each other as are C1 and C2. All six conformers of the molecule are illustrated in Figure 7. The calculated potential energy surface (PES) from MP2/cc-pVTZ computations is shown in Figure 8a [59].

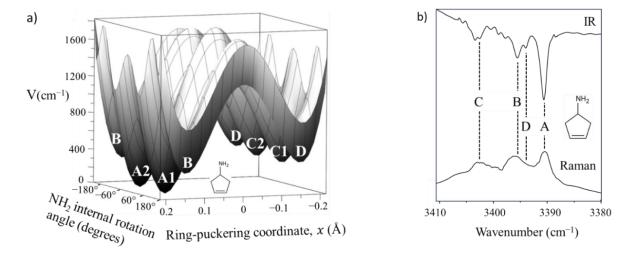
Conformers A1 and A2 possess weak intramolecular N–H··· $\pi$  hydrogen bonds. These two conformers lie 128 cm<sup>-1</sup> (0.37 kcal/mol) to 200 cm<sup>-1</sup> (0.57 kcal/mol) lower in energy than the other conformers according to CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ computations. The calculated relative population of conformers A1 and A2 is 26.9% in their vapor state at room temperature. Table 3 presents the calculated relative energies of 3-cyclopenten-1-amine from ab initio CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ, CCSD/cc-pVTZ and MP2/cc-pVTZ computations. This table also presents calculated selected geometrical structural parameters.

Conformers A1 and A2 together have a sharp IR peak resulting from the NH<sub>2</sub> antisymmetric stretch at 3391 cm<sup>-1</sup>. This frequency is 5 to 12 cm<sup>-1</sup> lower than the those of the other conformers as shown in Table 3 [59]. As

shown in Figure 8b, all of the IR peaks were confirmed by vapor-phase Raman spectroscopy at  $116^{\circ}$  [59]. The observed double bond C=C stretching frequency for conformers A1 and A2 is  $1613 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  [59]. The calculated hydrogen bond N–H··· $\pi$  angle in degrees is  $96.1^{\circ}$  from CCSD/cc-pVTZ and  $97.5^{\circ}$  from MP2/cc-pVTZ computations.



**Figure 7.** Calculated geometrical structures of the six conformers of 3-cyclopenten-1-amine from CCSD/cc-pVTZ computations. The relative energies and vapor phase populations at 25 °C per conformer are from CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ computations. The relative populations are shown in parentheses.



**Figure 8.** (a) Calculated PES from MP2/cc-pVTZ computations for 3-cyclopenten-1-amine. (b) Vapor infrared spectrum at 25 °C and Raman spectrum at 116 °C in the NH<sub>2</sub> antisymmetric stretching region.

**Table 3.** Calculated relative energies and selected geometrical structural parameters of the conformers of 3-cyclopenten-1-amine (VII) and observed NH<sub>2</sub> and C=C stretch vibrational frequencies in the vapor phase.

Conformers Labelled According to the CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ Calculated									
	Energies								
	A1	A2	B	C1	C2	D	Reference		
Method of calculation			Relativ	e energy (cm	n <sup>-1</sup> )		_		
CCSD(T)/aug-cc- pVTZ	0	0	128	190	190	200	This work		
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	0	0	197	165	165	188	[59]		
MP2/cc-pVTZ	0	0	284	315	315	336	[51,59]		

Table 3. Cont.

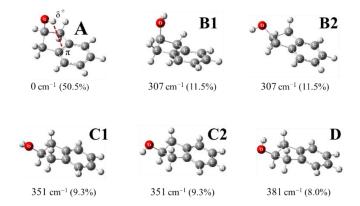
	CC	T 1 11 1	1.	4 4L CCCP	ACTEN /	TT C 1 1 4			
	Conformer	's Labelled A			(T)/aug-cc-pV	1Z Calculate	a		
				Energies					
	A1	A2	B	C1	C2	D	Reference		
	Hydrogen a	ttached to the	e nitrogen o	distance to the	e center of the c	louble bond (Å	.)		
CCSD/cc-pVTZa	2.850	3.765	3.798	3.780	4.223	4.173	[59]		
MP2/cc-pVTZ <sup>a</sup>	2.773	3.715	3.750	3.793	4.217	4.168	[51]		
CCSD/cc-pVTZ <sup>b</sup>	3.765	2.850	3.798	4.223	3.780	4.173	[59]		
MP2/cc-pVTZ <sup>b</sup>	3.715	2.773	3.750	4.217	3.793	4.168	[51]		
•	Ring-puckering angle (degrees)								
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	26.3°	26.3°	20.5°	-26.8°	-26.8°	-25.9°	[59]		
MP2/cc-pVTZ	28.7°	28.7°	23.0°	-29.3°	-29.3°	-28.5°	[51]		
•		NH	2 internal r	otation angle	(degrees)				
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	59.0°	−59.0°	180°	67.9°	-67.9°	180°	[59]		
MP2/cc-pVTZ	58.6°	-58.6°	180°	68.4°	-68.4°	180°	This work		
Observed			Vibrationa	l frequencies	$(cm^{-1})$				
NH <sub>2</sub> antisymmetric stretch	3391	3391	3396	3403	3403	3394	[59]		
NH <sub>2</sub> symmetric stretch	3329	3329	3335	3335	3335	3335	[59]		
C=C stretch	1613	1613	1613	1599	1599	1603	[59]		

## 3.1.4. 2-Indanol (II)

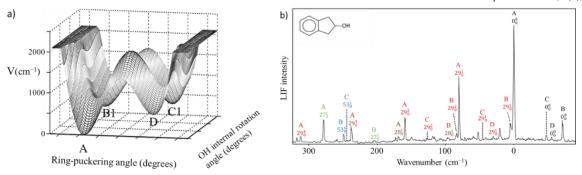
2-Indanol possesses six conformers which can interconvert into each other by ring-puckering and OH internal rotation. Conformers **B1** and **B2** shown in Figure 9 are mirror images of each other as are conformers **C1** and **C2**. Figure 10a shows the calculated potential energy surface (PES) from MP2/cc-pVTZ computations [52]. For simplification, the minima for **B2** and **C2** are not shown since they have same energies as their mirror images.

The conformer with lowest energy of 2-indanol is **A** which lies 307 cm<sup>-1</sup> (0.88 kcal/mol) to 381 cm<sup>-1</sup> (1.09 kcal/mol) lower in energy than the other conformers according to CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ computations. This conformer has a calculated abundance of 50.5% at room temperature. Table 4 presents the calculated relative energies of 2-indanol from ab initio CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ, CCSD/cc-pVTZ and MP2/cc-pVTZ computations. This table also presents calculated structural parameters of 2-indanol.

Only conformer **A** of 2-indanol possesses the weak intramolecular O–H··· $\pi$  hydrogen bonding and is thus lowest in conformational energy. This conformer also has a weakened O–H bond due to the intramolecular interaction. Conformer **A** has the most intense bands in the vapor-phase laser-induced fluorescence (LIF) excitation spectrum of 2-indanol at 90 °C [52]. Figure 10b shows the LIF for 2-indanol where the conformers have been relabeled alphabetically according to their relative calculated energies. It can be seen in the figure that the intensities of the pure electronic transitions  $0_0^0$  of the conformers decrease as the relative energies of the conformers increase.



**Figure 9.** Calculated geometrical structures of the six conformers of 2-indanol from CCSD/cc-pVTZ computations. The relative energies and estimated vapor-phase populations (in parentheses) at 25 °C per conformer are from CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ computations.



**Figure 10.** (a) Calculated PES from MP2/cc-pVTZ computations for 2-indanol. (b) Vapor laser-induced fluorescence excitation spectrum at 90 °C. The  $0_0^0$  bands are shown in black, the quantum state transitions of the ring-puckering ( $\nu_{29}$ ) are shown in red, of the OH-internal rotation ( $\nu_{53}$ ) are shown in blue, of the ring-angle bending ( $\nu_{27}$ ) are shown in green and of the 2-indanol flapping ( $\nu_{28}$ ) are shown in brown.

**Table 4.** Calculated relative energies and selected geometrical structural parameters of the conformers of 2-indanol (II).

	Conformers Labelled According to the CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ Calculated Energies							
	A	<b>B</b> 1	B2	C1	C2	D O	Reference	
Method of calculation			Relative	energy (cm <sup>-1</sup> )				
CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ	0	307	307	321	351	381	This work	
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	0	335	335	292	292	306	This work	
MP2/cc-pVTZ	0	440	440	469	469	483	[52]	
_	Hydrogen	atom on the	oxygen dista	nce to the cent	ter of the dou	ble bond (Å)		
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	2.656	3.562	3.562	4.118	4.118	3.738	This work	
MP2/cc-pVTZ	2.579	3.513	3.513	4.110	4.110	3.744	This work	
_		F	Ring-puckeri	ng angle (degre	ees)			
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	33.2°	29.0°	29.0°	-32.8°	-32.8°	-33.0°	This work	
MP2/cc-pVTZ	35.4°	31.1°	31.1°	-34.9°	-34.9°	-35.1°	[52]	
OH internal rotation angle (degrees)								
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	$0^{\circ}$	115.6°	-115.6°	131.8°	-131.8°	$0^{\circ}$	This work	
MP2/cc-pVTZ	0°	114.9°	-114.9°	132.2°	-132.2°	0°	[52]	

The calculated hydrogen bond O–H $^{\cdots}\pi$  angle in degrees is 101.2° from CCSD/cc-pVTZ and 102.9° from MP2/cc-pVTZ computations [55].

#### 3.2. Unsaturated 6-Membered Ring Molecules with a Weak Intramolecular Hydrogen Bonding

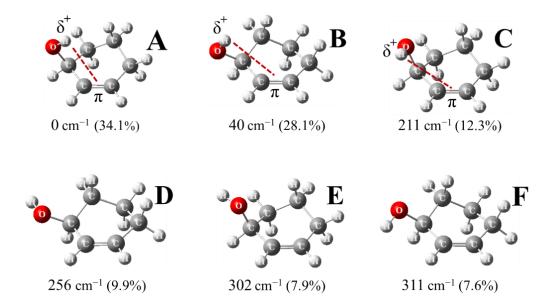
### 3.2.1. 2-Cyclohexen-1-ol (IV)

2-Cyclohexen-1-ol possesses six conformers which can interconvert into each other by ring-twisting and OH internal rotation. Figure 11 shows the calculated geometric structures of the conformers, and Figure 12a shows the calculated potential energy surface (PES) from MP2/cc-pVTZ computations [54].

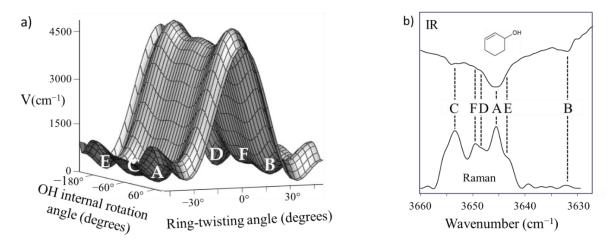
Conformers **A**, **B** and **C** all possess weak intramolecular O–H··· $\pi$  hydrogen bonds. These three conformers have calculated populations of 34% for **A**, 28% for **B** and 12% for **C** in their vapor state at room temperature. Conformer **A** lies 256 cm<sup>-1</sup> (0.73 kcal/mol) to 311 cm<sup>-1</sup> (0.89 kcal/mol) lower in energy than the conformers with no hydrogen bonding according to CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ computations. Table 5 presents the calculated relative energies of 2-cyclohexen-1-ol from ab initio CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ, CCSD/cc-pVTZ and MP2/cc-pVTZ computations. This table also presents calculated geometrical structural parameters.

The O-H stretching frequencies for the conformers are also listed in Table 5, and Figure 12b shows the recorded IR and Raman spectra. Conformer **A** has the strongest IR peak, and conformer **B**, which also has an intramolecular O-H··· $\pi$  hydrogen bond, has the lowest frequency [54]. The observed double bond C=C stretching frequency for conformer **A** is 1652 cm<sup>-1</sup> and is slightly lower than for the other conformers [54]. The calculated

hydrogen bond O–H··· $\pi$  angle of conformer **A** in degrees is 86.9° from CCSD/cc-pVTZ and 88.2° from MP2/cc-pVTZ computations [55].



**Figure 11.** Calculated geometrical structures of the six conformers of 2-cyclohexen-1-ol from CCSD/cc-pVTZ computations. The relative energies and vapor-phase populations (in parentheses) at 25 °C for each conformer are from CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ computations.



**Figure 12.** (a) Calculated PES from MP2/cc-pVTZ computations for 2-cyclohexen-1-ol. (b) Vapor-phase infrared spectrum at 100 °C and Raman spectrum at 168 °C in the OH stretch region.

**Table 5.** Calculated relative energies and selected geometrical structural parameters of the conformers of 2-cyclohexen-1-ol (IV) and observed OH and C=C stretch vibrational frequencies in the vapor phase.

	Conformers Labelled According to the CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ Calculated Energies						
	A $\pi$	$\mathbf{B}$	δ C π	D	E	• Section of the sect	Reference
Method of calculation			Relative e	nergy (cm <sup>-1</sup> )			
CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ	0	40	211	256	302	311	This work
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	9	0	208	232	284	304	[54]
MP2/cc-pVTZ	0	72	204	323	316	401	[51,54]
Hydrogen atom on the oxygen distance to the center of the double bond (Å),							
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	2.765	3.034	2.949	3.731	3.656	3.239	This work
MP2/cc-pVTZ	2.737	3.015	2.906	3.725	3.651	3.227	[51,54]

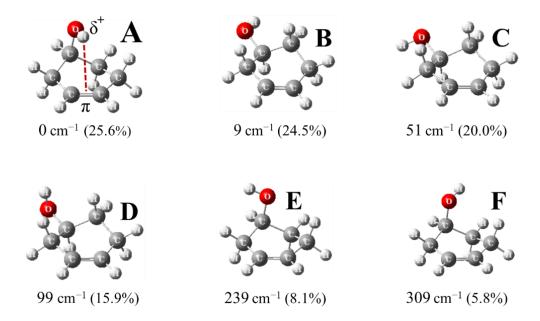
	Conf	Conformers Labelled According to the CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ Calculated Energies						
	$\sum_{\pi}^{\delta^+} \mathbf{A}$	$\mathbf{B}$	δ OC The state of the state o	D	E	, Golden	Reference	
	Ring-twisting angle (degrees)							
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	-29.3°	30.6°	-30.0°	30.1°	-30.8°	30.1°	This work	
MP2/cc-pVTZ	-29.8°	31.6°	-30.6°	31.0°	−31.5°	31.0°	[51,54]	
-		OH	internal rota	tion angle (de	grees)			
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	28.4 °	46.8°	-55.9°	170.9°	173.2°	-74.9°	This work	
MP2/cc-pVTZ	26.3°	45.7°	-51.7°	170.2°	173.1°	-74.6°	This work	
Observed		Vibrational frequencies (cm <sup>-1</sup> )						
OH stretch	3646	3632	3654	3649	3644	3650	[54]	
C=C stretch	1652	1654	1657	1662	1662	1662	[54]	

## 3.2.2. 3-Cyclohexen-1-ol (V)

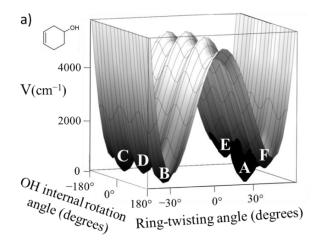
3-Cyclohexen-1-ol possesses six conformers which can interconvert into each other by ring-twisting and OH internal rotation. Figure 13 shows the calculated geometric structures of the conformers, and Figure 14a shows a calculated potential energy surface (PES) from MP2/cc-pVTZ computations for 3-cyclohexen-1-ol [55].

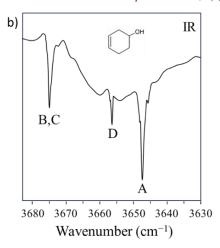
The lowest energy conformer of 3-cyclohexen-1-ol is **A**, and this lies 9 cm<sup>-1</sup> (0.03 kcal/mol) to 309 cm<sup>-1</sup> (0.88 kcal/mol) lower in energy than the other conformers according to CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ computations. This conformer has a calculated abundance of 25.6% in its vapor state at room temperature. Table 6 presents the calculated relative energies of 3-cyclohexen-1-ol from ab initio CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ, CCSD/cc-pVTZ and MP2/cc-pVTZ computations. This table also presents calculated geometrical structural parameters.

Table 6 and Figure 14b present the spectral data for this molecule. Conformer **A** has the strongest peak and lowest OH stretch frequency [55]. The calculated hydrogen bond O–H··· $\pi$  angle in degrees of conformer **A** is 112.0° from CCSD/cc-pVTZ and 113.6° from MP2/cc-pVTZ computations [55].



**Figure 13.** Calculated geometrical structures of the six conformers of 3-cyclohexen-1-ol from CCSD/cc-pVTZ computations. The relative energies and vapor-phase populations (in parentheses) at 25 °C are from CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ computations.





**Figure 14.** (a) Calculated PES from MP2/cc-pVTZ computations for 3-cyclohexen-1-ol. (b) Vapor-phase infrared spectrum at 164.5 °C in the OH stretching region.

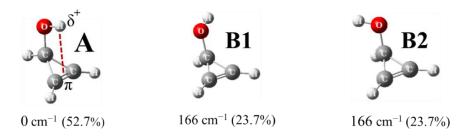
**Table 6.** Calculated relative energies and selected geometrical structural parameters of the conformers of 3-cyclohexen-1-ol (V) and observed OH stretch vibrational frequencies in the vapor phase.

	Confo	Conformers Labelled According to the CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ Calculated Energies					
	$\int_{\pi}^{\delta} \delta$	B	C	D	E G	o F	Reference
Method of calculation			Relative en	ergy (cm <sup>-1</sup> )			
CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ	0	9	51	99	239	309	This work
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	10	0	35	82	235	277	[55]
MP2/cc-pVTZ	0	108	140	202	296	346	[55]
	Hydrogen a	tom on the o	xygen distanc	e to the cente	er of the doub	le bond (Å)	
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	2.614	4.511	4.313	4.153	3.539	3.832	[55]
MP2/cc-pVTZ	2.548	4.499	4.300	4.146	3.512	3.805	[55]
-		R	ing-twisting	angle (degree	s)		
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	30.0°	-30.3°	-30.4°	-30.0°	29.0°	28.4°	This work
MP2/cc-pVTZ	30.7°	-30.9°	-31.1°	-30.8°	29.8°	29.2°	[55]
-		ОН і	nternal rotati	on angle (deg	rees)		
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	$0.8^{\circ}$	155.7°	−90.6°	37.1°	-100.4°	131.1°	This work
MP2/cc-pVTZ	-0.1°	155.3°	-89.8°	37.8°	-100.4°	129.6°	[55]
Observed		V	ibrational free	quencies (cm	<sup>-1</sup> )		
OH stretch	3647	3675	3675	3656			[55]

## 3.3. Unsaturated 3-Membered Ring Molecules with a Weak Intramolecular Hydrogen Bonding

# 3.3.1. 2-Cyclopropen-1-ol (VI)

2-Cyclopropen-1-ol possesses three conformers which can interconvert into each other by OH internal rotation. Conformers **B1** and **B2** in Figure 15 are mirror images of each other. The conformer with lowest energy is **A**, and this lies 166 cm<sup>-1</sup> (0.47 kcal/mol) lower in energy than the other conformers according to CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ computations. This conformer has a calculated population of 52.7% in its vapor state at room temperature.



**Figure 15.** Calculated geometrical structures of the six conformers of 2-cyclopropen-1-ol from CCSD/cc-pVTZ computations. The indicated relative energies and estimated vapor phase population abundance at 25 °C per conformer are from CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ computations. The estimated relative population abundances are shown in parenthesis.

Table 7 presents the calculated relative energies of 2-cyclopropen-1-ol from ab initio CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ, CCSD/cc-pVTZ and MP2/cc-pVTZ computations. This table as well presents calculated selected geometrical structural parameters of 2-cyclopropen-1-ol. Conformer **A** is the only conformer of this molecule with the weak intramolecular  $O-H\cdots\pi$  hydrogen bond and has the lowest conformational energy.

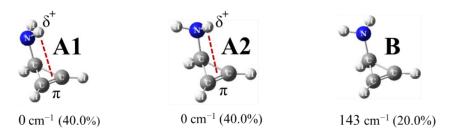
**Table 7.** Calculated relative energies, selected geometrical structural parameters and OH and C=C stretching frequencies for the conformers of 2-cyclopropen-1-ol (VI).

	Conformers Labelled According to the CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ Calculated Energies							
	$\mathbf{A}$	B1	B2	Reference				
Method of calculation	R	telative energy (cm <sup>-1</sup> )						
CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ	0	166	166	[This work]				
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	0	171	171	[57]				
MP2/cc-pVTZ	0	235	235	[57]				
-	Hydrogen on the oxygen	distance to the center of	the double bond (Å)					
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	2.488	3.018	3.018	[57]				
MP2/cc-pVTZ	2.478	3.028	3.028	[57]				
-	OH inte	rnal rotation angle (degr	ees)					
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	$0$ $\circ$	124.9°	-124.9°	[57]				
MP2/cc-pVTZ	$0$ $\circ$	127.9°	-127.9°	[57]				
<u>Calculated</u>	Vibrational frequencies (cm <sup>-1</sup> )							
OH stretch	3643	3658	3658	[57]				
C=C stretch	1600	1618	1618	[57]				

Table 7 also shows the calculated O-H and C=C stretching frequencies for this molecule from MP2/cc-pVTZ computations [57]. Both are lowest for the  $\pi$  bonded conformer **A.** The calculated hydrogen bond O-H··· $\pi$  angle in degrees of conformer **A** is 76.2° from CCSD/cc-pVTZ and 76.6° from MP2/cc-pVTZ computations.

# 3.3.2. 2-Cyclopropen-1-amine (VII)

2-Cyclopropen-1-amine possesses three conformers which can interconvert into each other by  $NH_2$  internal rotation. The conformers  $\bf A1$  and  $\bf A2$  shown in Figure 16 are mirror images of each other and are of lowest conformational energy.  $\bf A1$  and  $\bf A2$  lie 143 cm<sup>-1</sup> (0.41 kcal/mol) lower in energy than conformer  $\bf B$  according to CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ computations. This conformer has a calculated abundance of 40% in its vapor state at room temperature.



**Figure 16.** Calculated geometrical structures of the six conformers of 2-cyclopropen-1-amine from CCSD/cc-pVTZ computations. The relative energies and calculated vapor phase populations (in parentheses) at 25 °C for each conformer are from CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ computations.

Table 8 presents the calculated relative energies of 2-cyclopropen-1-amine from ab initio CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ, CCSD/cc-pVTZ and MP2/cc-pVTZ computations. This table in addition presents calculated selected geometrical structural parameters. Conformers **A1** and **A2** of 2-cyclopropen-1-amine possess a weak intramolecular N–H··· $\pi$  hydrogen bonds and these are responsible for the lowering of the conformational energy. Table 8 also presents the calculated frequencies for the NH<sub>2</sub> stretching and C=C stretching and the vibrations from MP2/cc-pVTZ computations [57]. The calculated hydrogen bond N–H··· $\pi$  angle in degrees is 73.4° from CCSD/cc-pVTZ and 73.6° from MP2/cc-pVTZ computations.

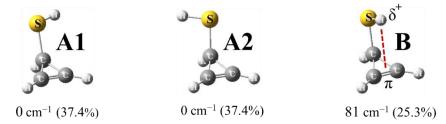
**Table 8.** Calculated relative energies, selected geometrical structural parameters and NH<sub>2</sub> and C=C stretch vibrational frequencies of the conformers of 2-cyclopropen-1-amine (VII).

	Conformers Labelled According to the CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ Calculated Energies						
	A1	A2	B	Reference			
Method of Calculation		Relative energy (cm <sup>-1</sup> )					
CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ	0	0	143	[This work]			
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	0	0	118	[57]			
MP2/cc-pVTZ	0	0	182	[57]			
Ну	drogen atom on the r	nitrogen distance to the cent	er of the double bond				
CCSD/cc-pVTZ <sup>a</sup>	2.583	3.147	3.112	[57]			
MP2/cc-pVTZ <sup>a</sup>	2.571	3.147	3.106	[57]			
CCSD/cc-pVTZ b	3.147	2.583	3.112	[57]			
MP2/cc-pVTZ b	3.147	2.571	3.106	[57]			
	NH	2 internal rotation angle (de	grees)				
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	64.7°	-64.7°	180°	[57]			
MP2/cc-pVTZ	65.6°	-65.6°	180°	[57]			
Calculated	٦	Vibrational frequencies (cm	-1)				
NH <sub>2</sub> antisymmetric stretch	3414	3414	3406	[57]			
NH <sub>2</sub> symmetric stretch	3345	3345	3346	[57]			
C=C stretch	1607	1607	1636	[57]			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Distance of the "first" hydrogen of the amine group to the center of the C=C double bond. <sup>b</sup> Distance of the "second" hydrogen of the amine group to the center of the C=C double bond.

## 3.3.3. 2-Cyclopropen-1-thiol (IX)

2-Cyclopropen-1-thiol possesses three conformers which can interconvert into each other by SH internal rotation. Conformers A1 and A2 shown in Figure 17 are mirror images of each other, and these are of lowest energy. A1 and A2 lie 81 cm<sup>-1</sup> (0.23 kcal/mol) lower in energy than conformer B according to CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ computations. Conformer B, which is the conformation with the weak intramolecular S–H··· $\pi$  hydrogen bond, is not at the lowest energy. However, it has a lower calculated energy than would be expected without the  $\pi$ -type interaction [57]. Conformer B has a calculated abundance of 25% in its vapor state at room temperature. Table 9 presents the calculated relative energies of 2-cyclopropen-1-thiol from ab initio CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ, CCSD/cc-pVTZ and MP2/cc-pVTZ computations. This table also presents selected calculated geometrical structural parameters as well as the calculated vibrational frequencies for the S-H stretching and C=C stretching. Both vibrational frequencies are lowest for the  $\pi$  bonded conformer B. The calculated hydrogen bond S–H··· $\pi$  angle in degrees is 78.8° from CCSD/cc-pVTZ and 79.6° from MP2/cc-pVTZ computations.



**Figure 17.** Calculated geometrical structures of the six conformers of 2-cyclopropen-1-thiol from CCSD/cc-pVTZ computations. The relative energies and vapor-phase populations (in parentheses) at 25 °C are from CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ computations.

**Table 9.** Calculated relative energies, selected geometrical structural parameters and SH and C=C stretching frequencies for the conformers of the conformers of 2-cyclopropen-1-thiol (IX).

	Conformers Labelled According to the CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ Calculated Energies							
	A1	A2	$\mathbf{B}$	Reference				
Method of Calculation		Relative energy (cm <sup>-1</sup> )						
CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ	0	0	81	[This work]				
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	0	0	110	[57]				
MP2/cc-pVTZ	0	0	65	[57]				
H	ydrogen atom on the	sulfur distance to the cent	er of the double bond	(Å)				
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	3.450	3.450	2.774	[57]				
MP2/cc-pVTZ	3.433	3.433	2.740	[57]				
•	SH	internal rotation angle (de	egrees)					
CCSD/cc-pVTZ	118.9°	-118.9°	0°	[57]				
MP2/cc-pVTZ	118.5°	-118.5°	$0 \circ$	[57]				
Calculated	7	Vibrational frequencies (cr	$n^{-1}$ )					
SH stretch	1338	1338	1337	[57]				
C=C stretch	1636	1636	1614	[57]				

## 4. Discussion

In the present paper we have reported both experimental and theoretical results from previous studies, and we have refined this work with high level CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ computations. We believe that the CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ calculations for the relative energies are more reliable than our previous performed CCSD/cc-pVTZ and MP2/cc-pVTZ energy computations, and the discussion below is based on that assumption.

Our investigation of these nine molecules has painted a consistent picture showing that even though the  $\pi$ -type hydrogen bonding is weak, it is generally sufficiently strong enough to cause internal rotation, ring-puckering, and/or ring twisting to produce a lowest energy conformation that can accommodate its presence.

Of the molecules studied 3-cyclopenten-1-ol (I) and 2-indanol (II) possess the greatest conformational energy decreases through due to their  $\pi$  bonding. The conformations without the  $\pi$  bonding are 254 to 460 cm<sup>-1</sup> higher in energy. Their distances from the hydrogen atom on the oxygen to the  $\pi$  systems are approximately 2.4 Å, as compared to distances greater than 3.5 Å for the other conformers. The other five- and six-membered ring alcohols with  $\pi$  bonding studied have these distances in the 2.6 to 2.8 Å range. The small 2-cyclopropene-1-ol (VI) molecule has a distance of 2.5 Å from the O-H hydrogen atom to the C=C double bond.

The  $\pi$  bonded conformation of the 3-cyclopenten-1-amine (VII) has a conformational energy 128 to 200 cm<sup>-1</sup> lower than those without the  $\pi$  bond reflecting the fact that the N–H··· $\pi$ (C=C) interaction is weaker than the O–H··· $\pi$ (C=C) interaction. The S–H··· $\pi$ (C=C) interaction is weaker yet as the hydrogen bonding conformer is not of lowest energy.

The O-H stretching frequencies of the conformers with weak O-H··· $\pi$ (C=C) hydrogen bonds can be up to 32 cm<sup>-1</sup> lower than those of the non-hydrogen bonded cyclic alcohols as shown for 3-cyclopenten-1-ol, 2-cyclopenten-1-ol, 2-cyclopenten-1-ol, 2-cyclopenten-1-ol, 3-cyclopenten-1-ol. For 2-cyclohexen-1-ol the second lowest energy conformer with a weak O-H··· $\pi$ (C=C) interaction has the lowest OH stretching frequency. For this molecule the most abundant conformer **A** has an intramolecular hydrogen bond with its O-H stretching frequency 14 cm<sup>-1</sup> higher

than conformer **B** and 2 cm<sup>-1</sup> higher than that of conformer E. The hydrogen bonded conformers of the cyclic alcohols studied possess C=C stretching frequencies up to 13 cm<sup>-1</sup> lower than those of the non-hydrogen bonded conformers. Supplementary Table S1 presents a numerical summary of these results.

From our experimental and theoretical results for 3-cyclopenten-1-amine (VII) we found that both the NH<sub>2</sub> antisymmetric stretching and the NH<sub>2</sub> symmetric stretching frequencies for the weak intramolecular N-H··· $\pi$  hydrogen bonded species **A1** and **A2** are 5 to 12 cm<sup>-1</sup> lower than those of the non-hydrogen bonded conformers. Supplementary Table S2 presents a numerical summary of these results.

According to our MP2/cc-pVTZ computations [57], the S–H··· $\pi$ (C=C) interaction slightly weakens the S-H bond of 2-cyclopropen-1-thiol. The lowering of the conformational energy due to the presence of the intramolecular weak S–H··· $\pi$  hydrogen bond is not enough to overcome other interactions and make the hydrogen bonded conformer the one with the lowest energy. The S-H and the C=C stretching frequencies of the hydrogen bonded conformer of this molecule are lower by 1 cm<sup>-1</sup> and by 22 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively, than those of the non-hydrogen bonded conformers. Supplementary Table S3 presents a numerical summary of these results along with calculated results for 2-cyclopropen-1-ol and 2-cyclopropen-1-amine.

## 5. Conclusions

The combination of theoretical computations with IR and Raman spectroscopy has proven to be an invaluable tool for the investigation of weakly  $\pi$  bonding conformers of molecules in their vapor states. Weak  $\pi$ -type intramolecular hydrogen bonding lowers the conformational energy for small cyclic molecules. For all of the molecules studied, with the exception of 2-cyclopropen-1-thiol, the lowest energy conformer possesses an intramolecular hydrogen bond. Cyclic alcohols are capable of forming stronger intramolecular  $\pi$ -type hydrogen bonds than cyclic amines or cyclic thiols according to the electronegativity of the heteroatom.

## **Supplementary Materials**

The additional data and information can be downloaded at: https://media.sciltp.com/articles/others/251020111528 3390/Supplementary-Material-for-final.pdf. Supplementary Table S1 presents a summary of the calculated CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ energies (cm<sup>-1</sup>) and observed OH and C=C stretching frequencies for the cyclic alcohols. Supplementary Table S2 presents a summary of the calculated CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ energies (cm<sup>-1</sup>) and observed NH<sub>2</sub> and C=C stretching frequencies for 3-cyclopenten-1-amine and Supplementary Table S3 presents a summary of the calculated CCSD(T)/aug-cc-pVTZ energies (cm<sup>-1</sup>) and calculated OH, NH<sub>2</sub> and C=C stretching frequencies for 2-cyclopropen-1-ol, 2-cyclopropen-1-amine and 2-cyclopropen-1-thiol.

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