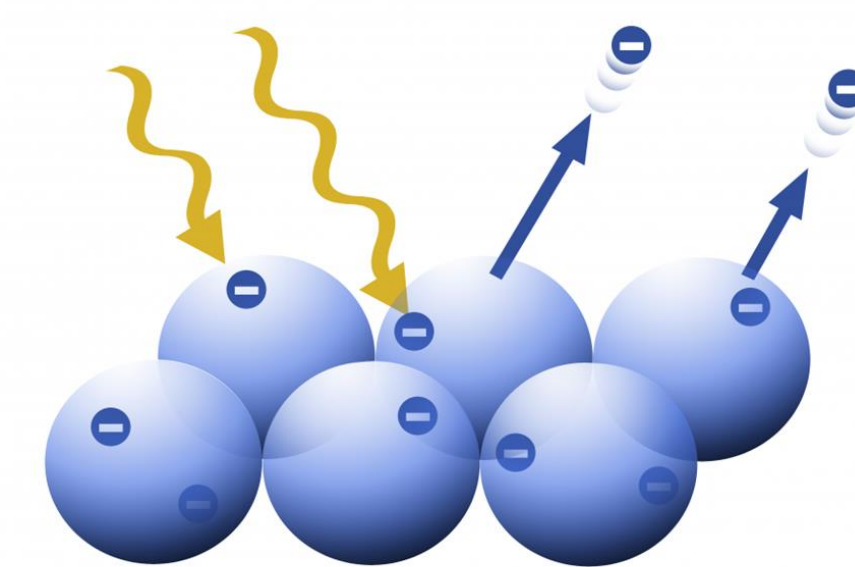


# Theoretical study of the photoelectron spectra of 2-butynoyl fluoride and 2-butynal



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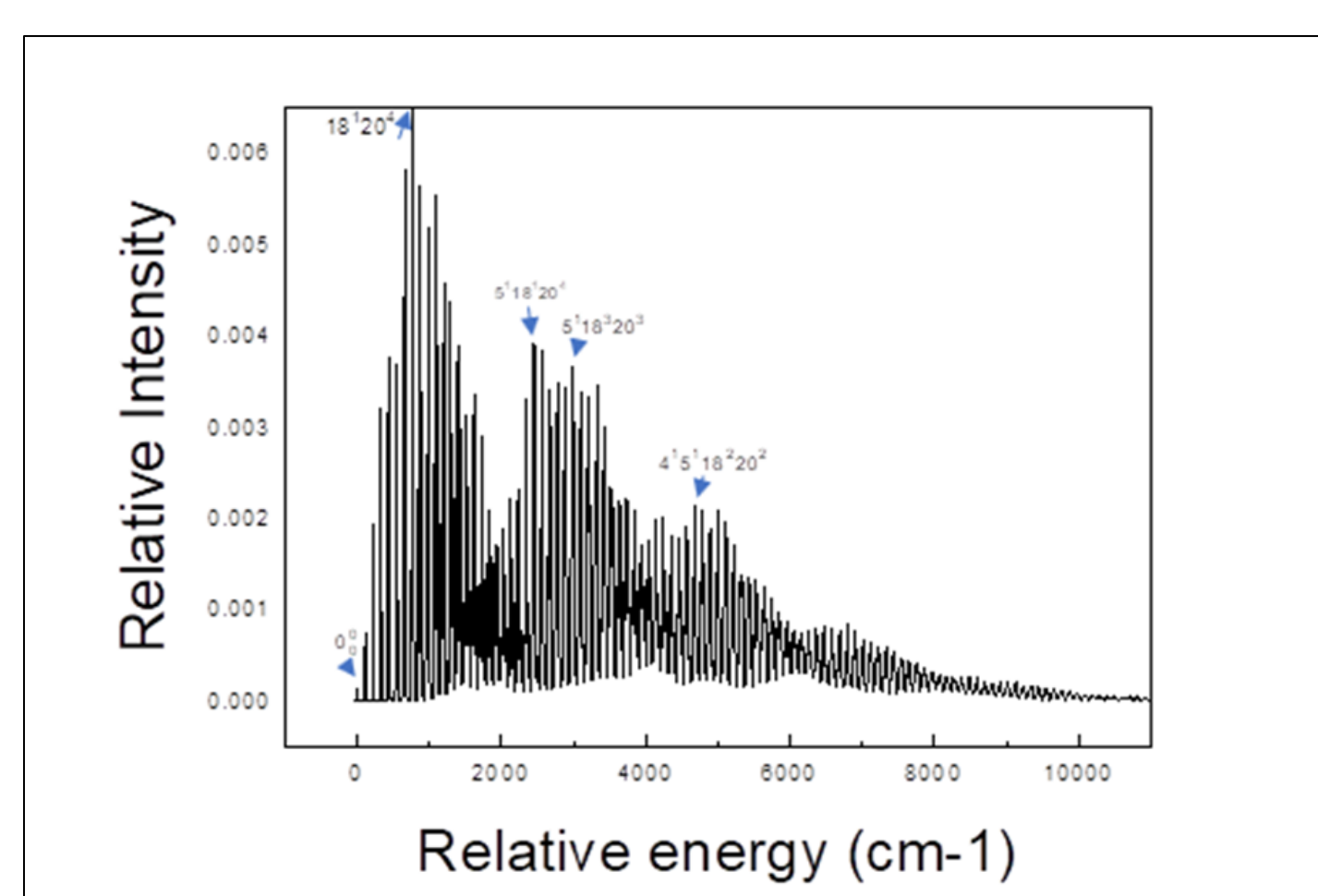
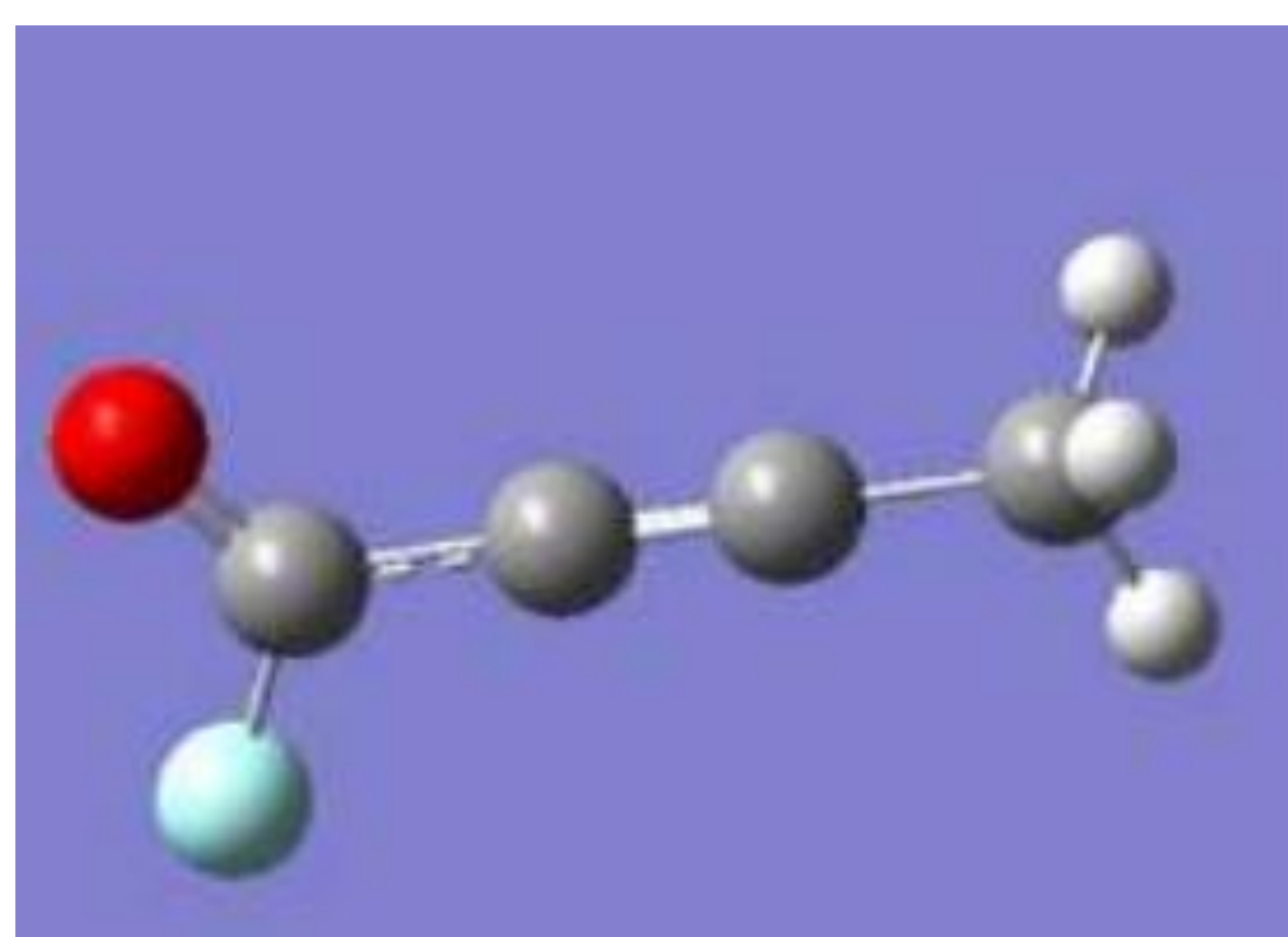


## Abstract

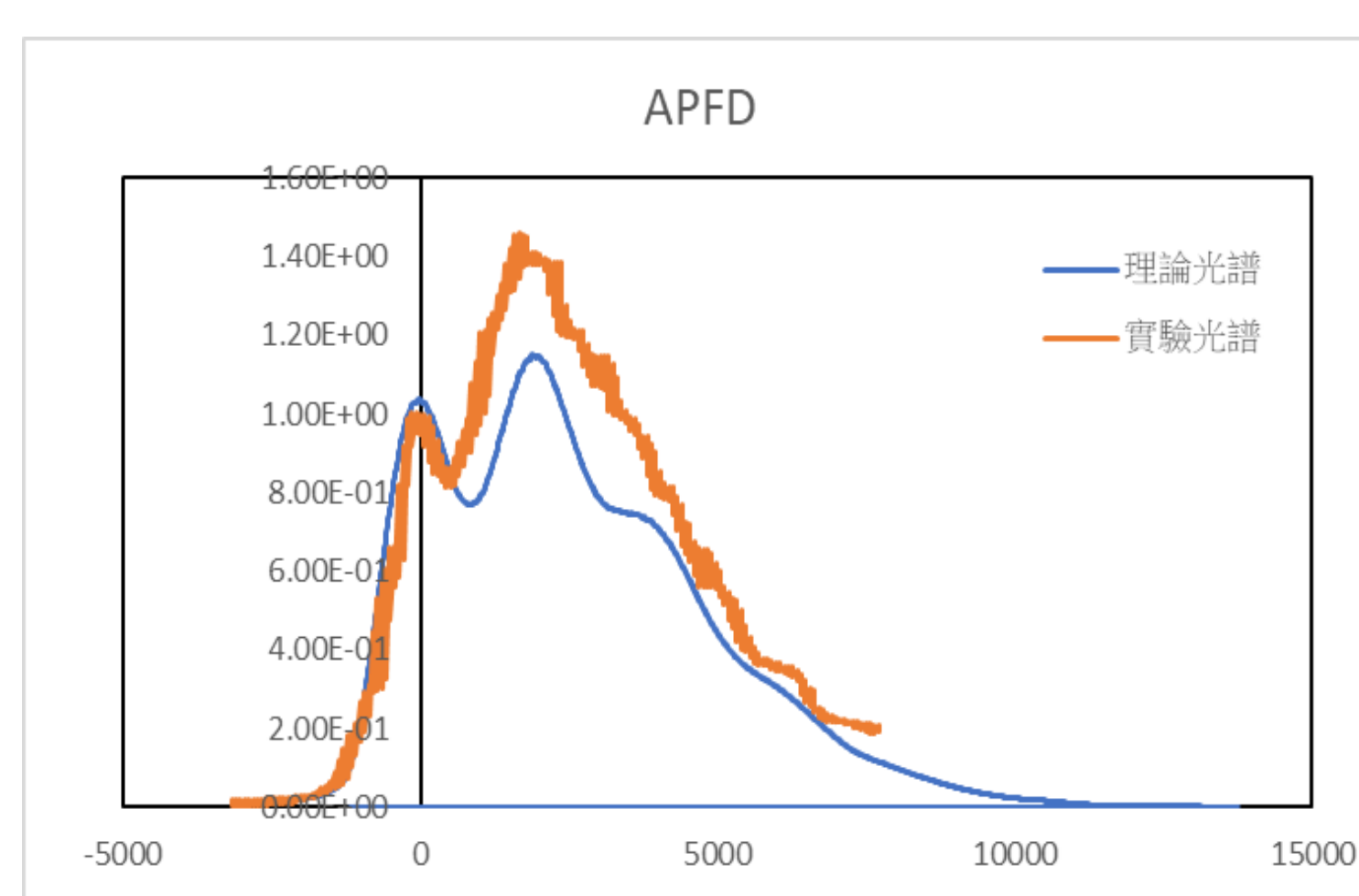
The equilibrium structures and vibrational frequencies of 2-butynoyl fluoride (**1**) and 2-butynal (**2**) and their cations were computed with the B3LYP, PBE0,  $\omega$ B97XD, and APFD approaches in conjunction with the aug-cc-pVTZ basis set. A hybrid model of harmonic and anharmonic oscillators developed by our group was used to calculate the Franck–Condon factors,<sup>1</sup> from which the photoelectron spectra of these two molecules were simulated. The vibrational structure in the photoelectron spectrum of **1** is complex involving a large number of vibrational excitations. In contrast, fewer excitations of **2** are predicted, in which the primary transitions correspond to the origin band and the  $\nu_6$ ,  $\nu_{11}$  and  $\nu_{15}$  transitions. The predicted photoelectron spectra of **1** and **2** are in harmony with the experimental spectra reported in the literature.<sup>2</sup>

## Results and Discussion

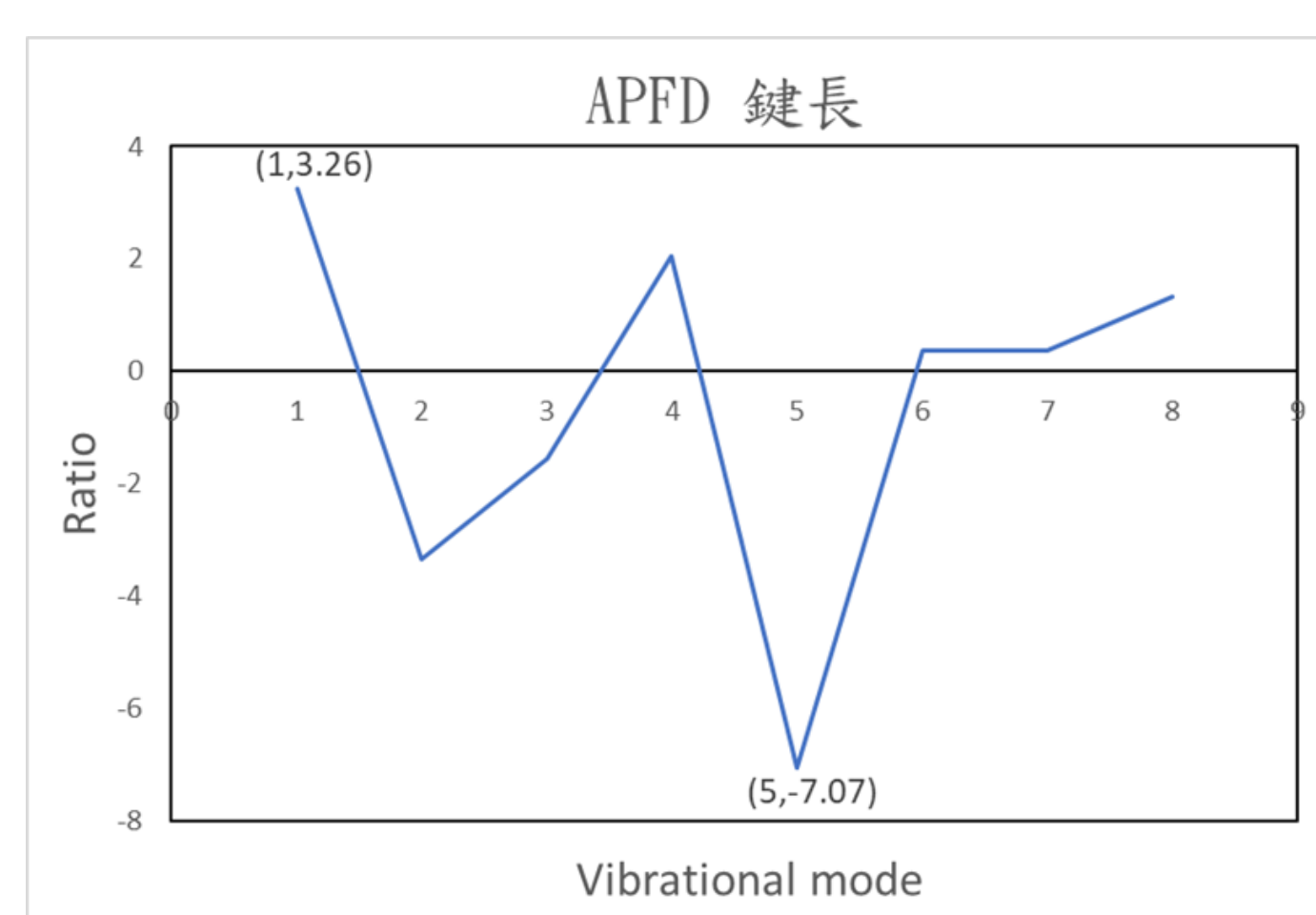
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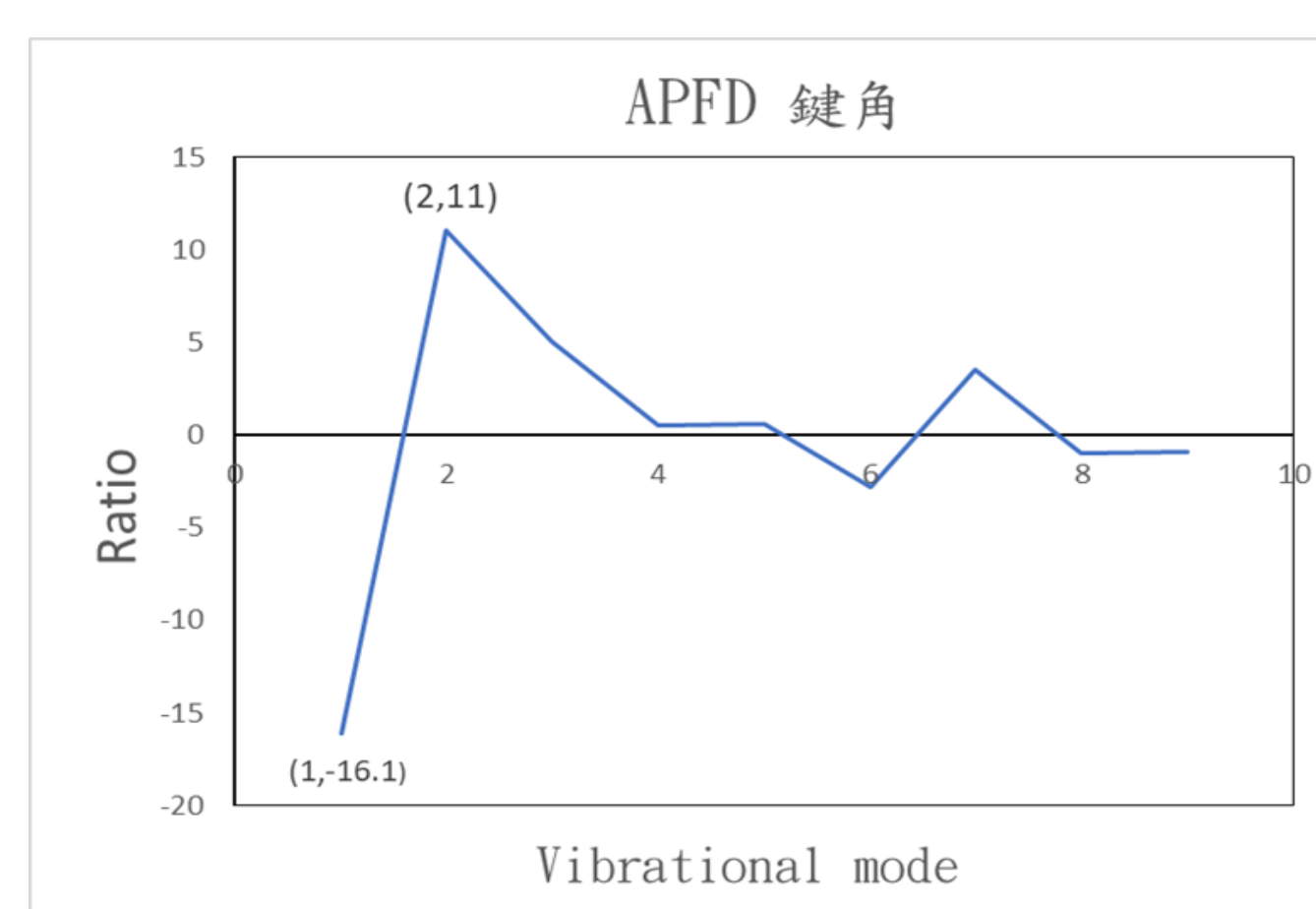
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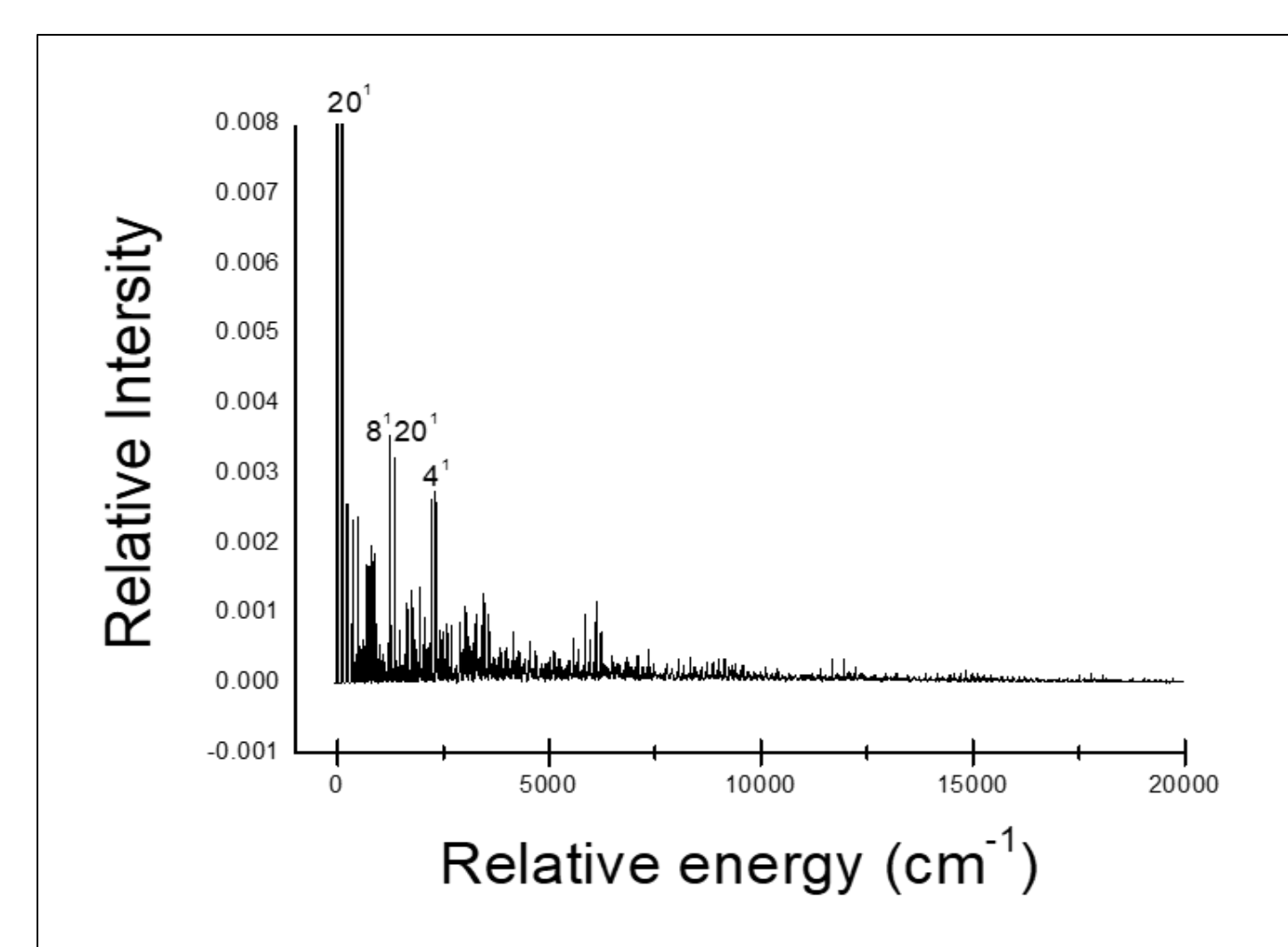
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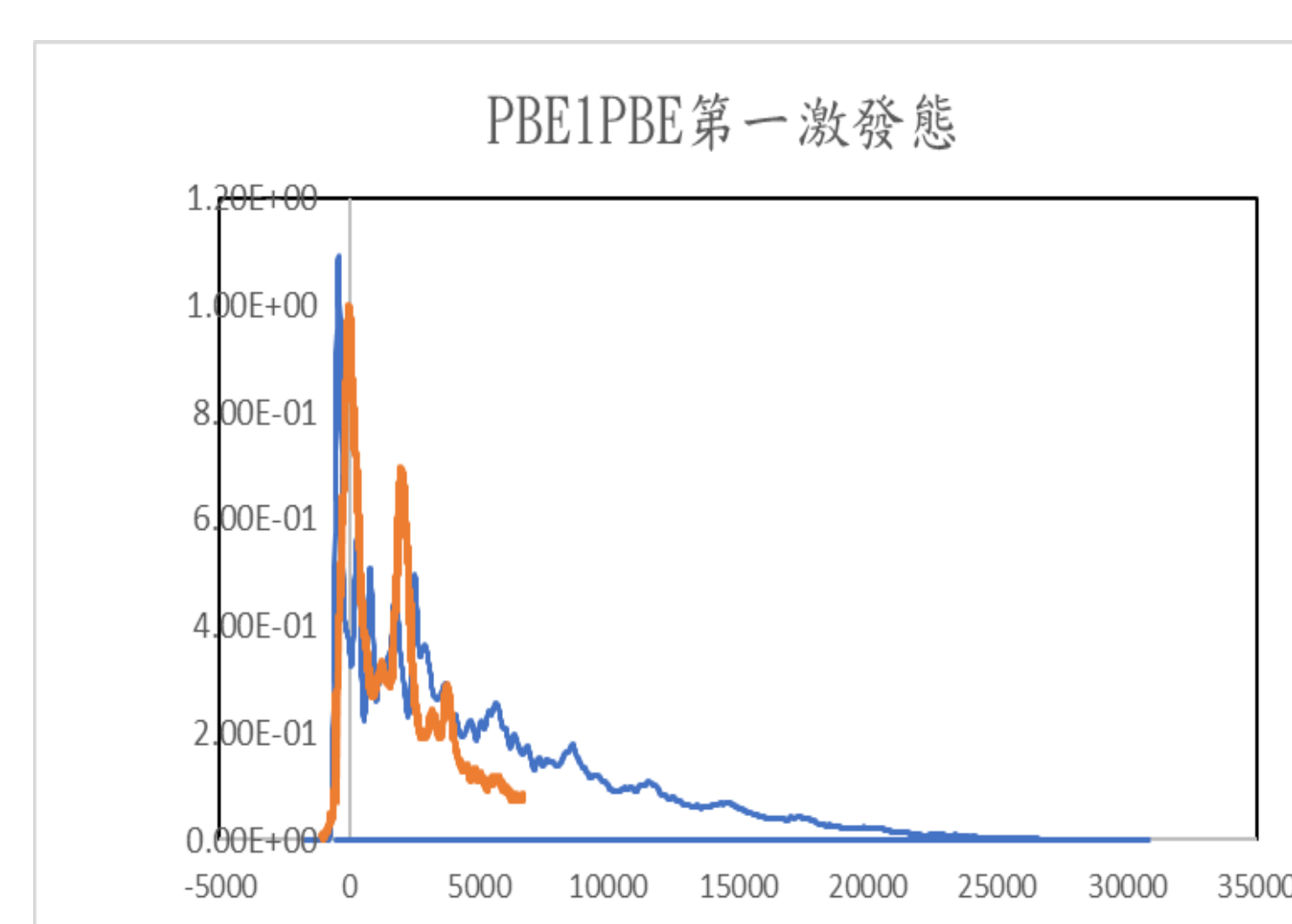
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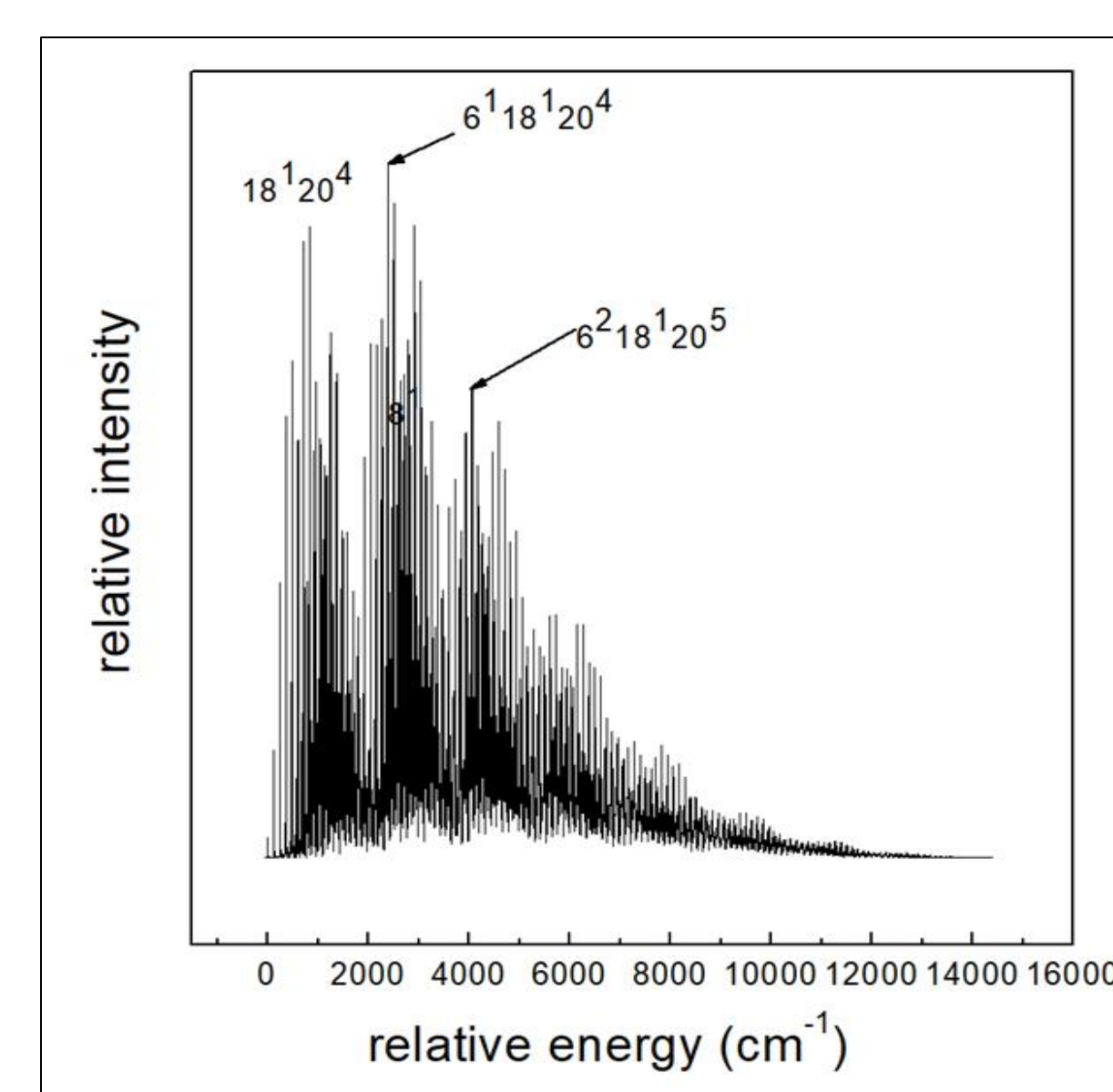
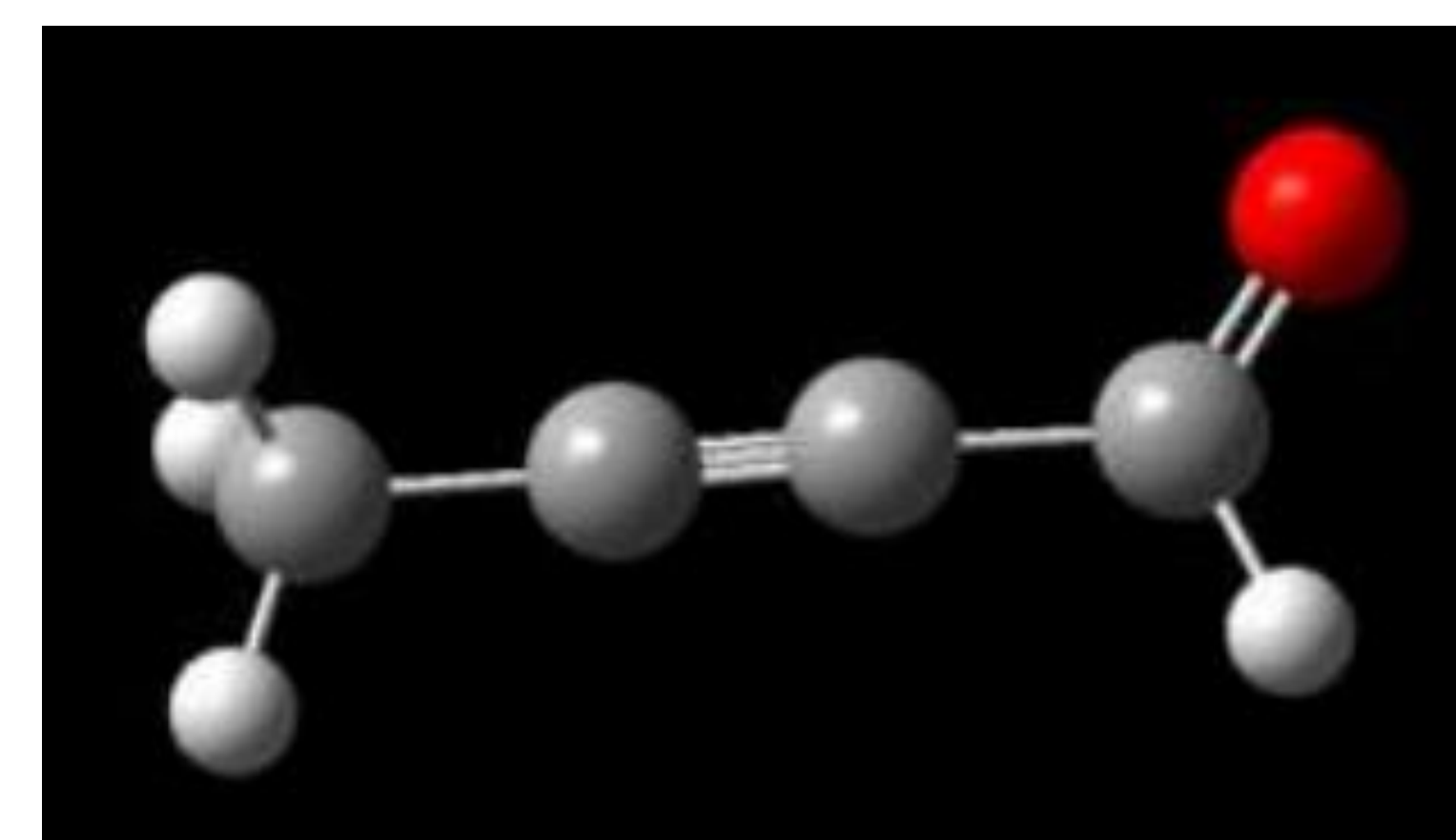


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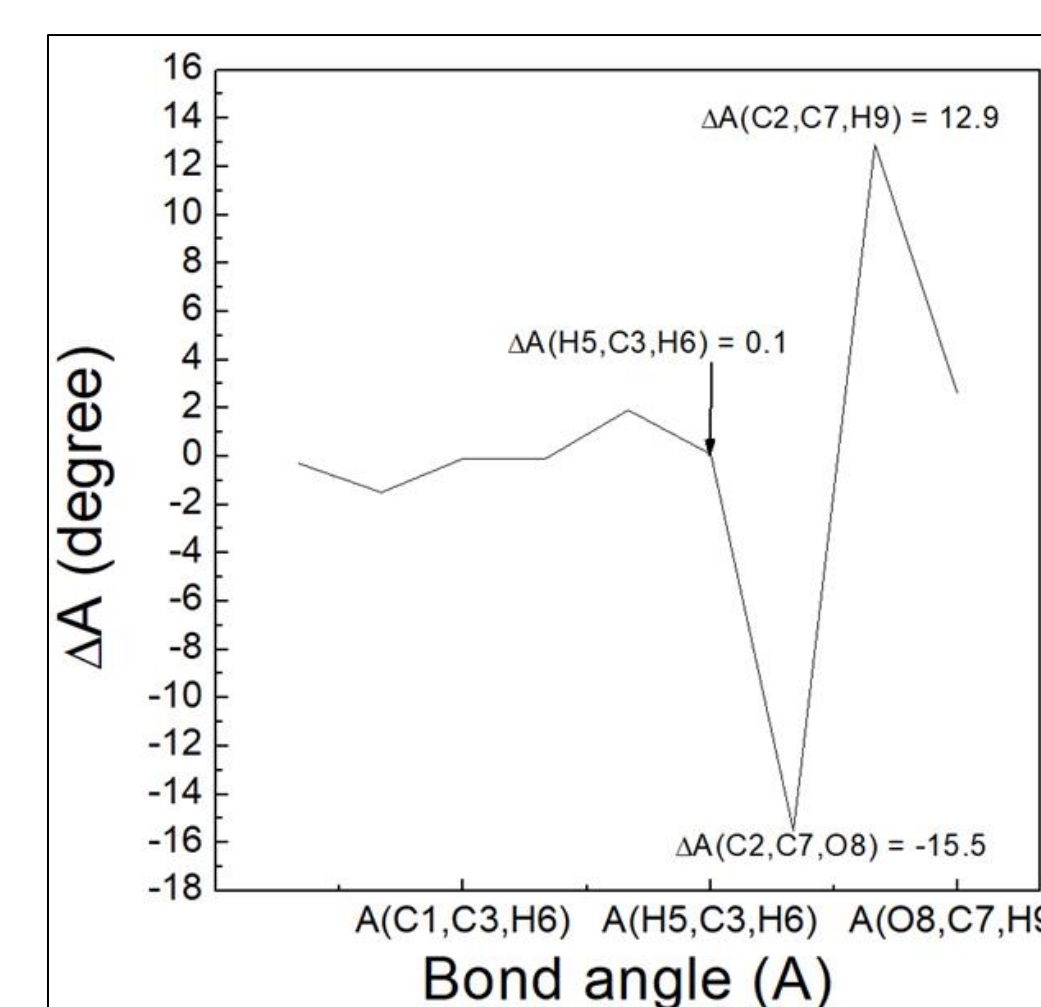


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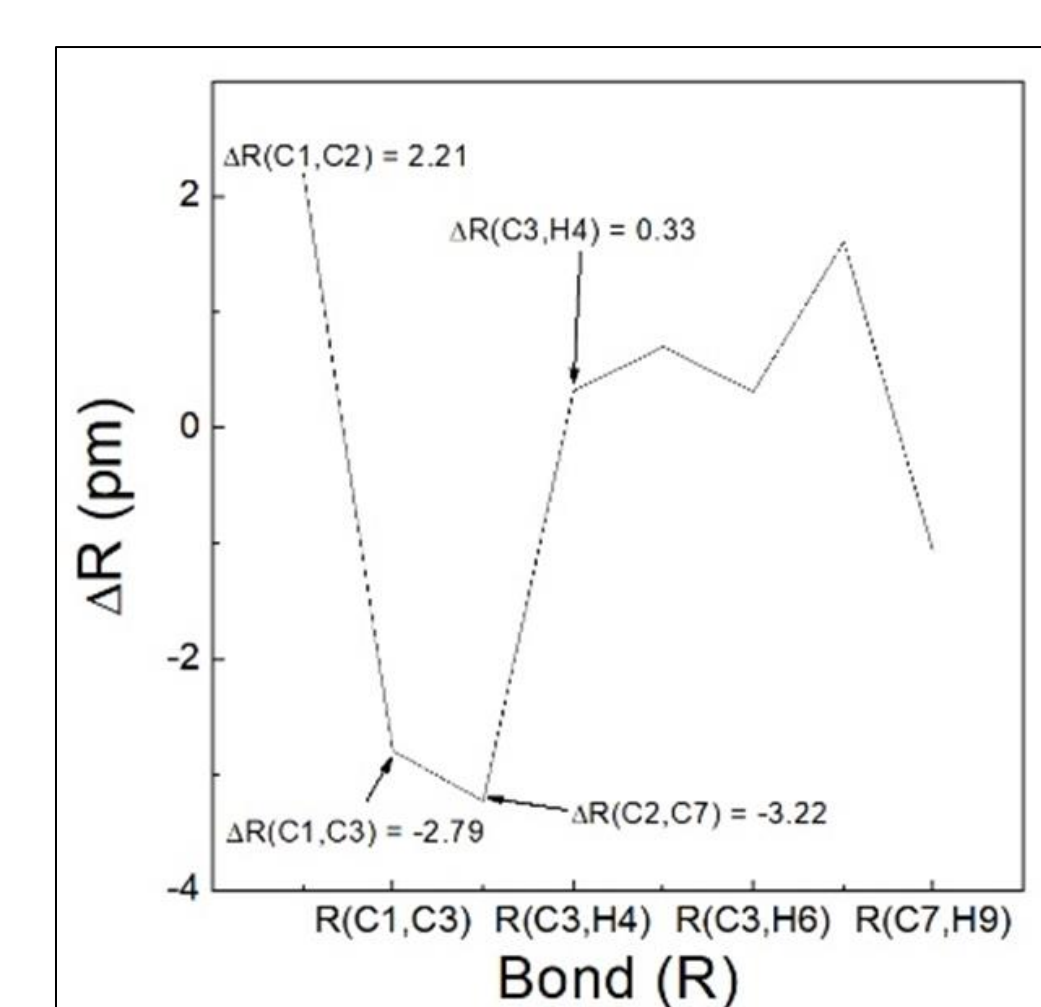
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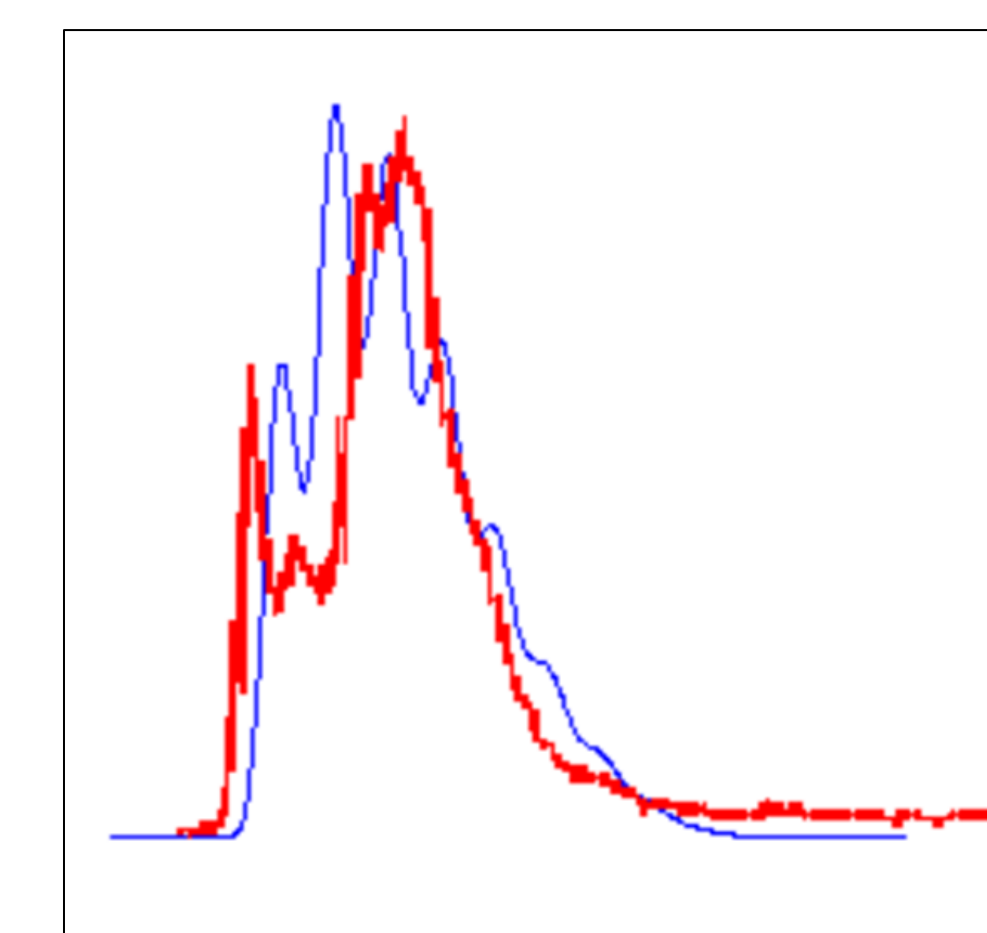
Theoretical spectrum (B3LYP)



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