

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# CAI<sub>4</sub>X<sub>4</sub> (X = Te, Po): Double Aromatic Molecular Stars Containing Planar Tetracoordinate Carbon Atoms

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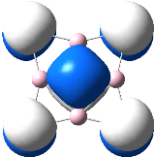
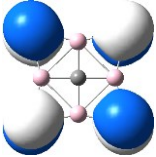
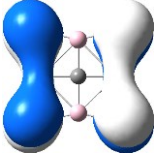
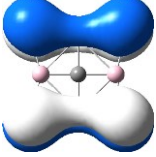

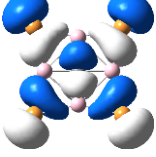
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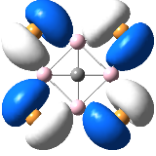
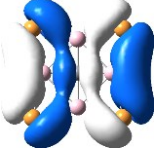
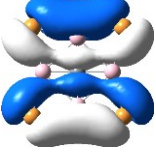

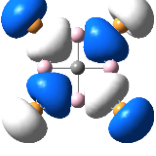
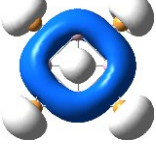
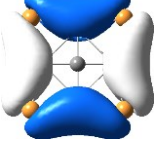
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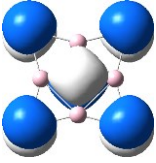
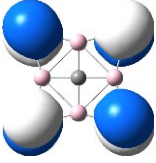
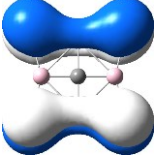
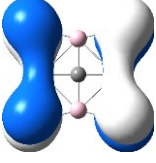
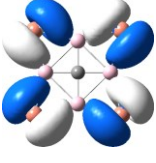
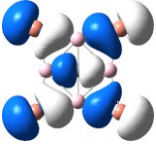
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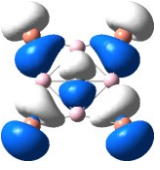
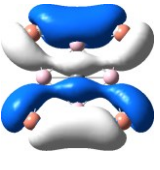
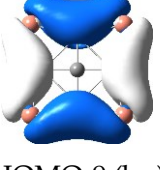
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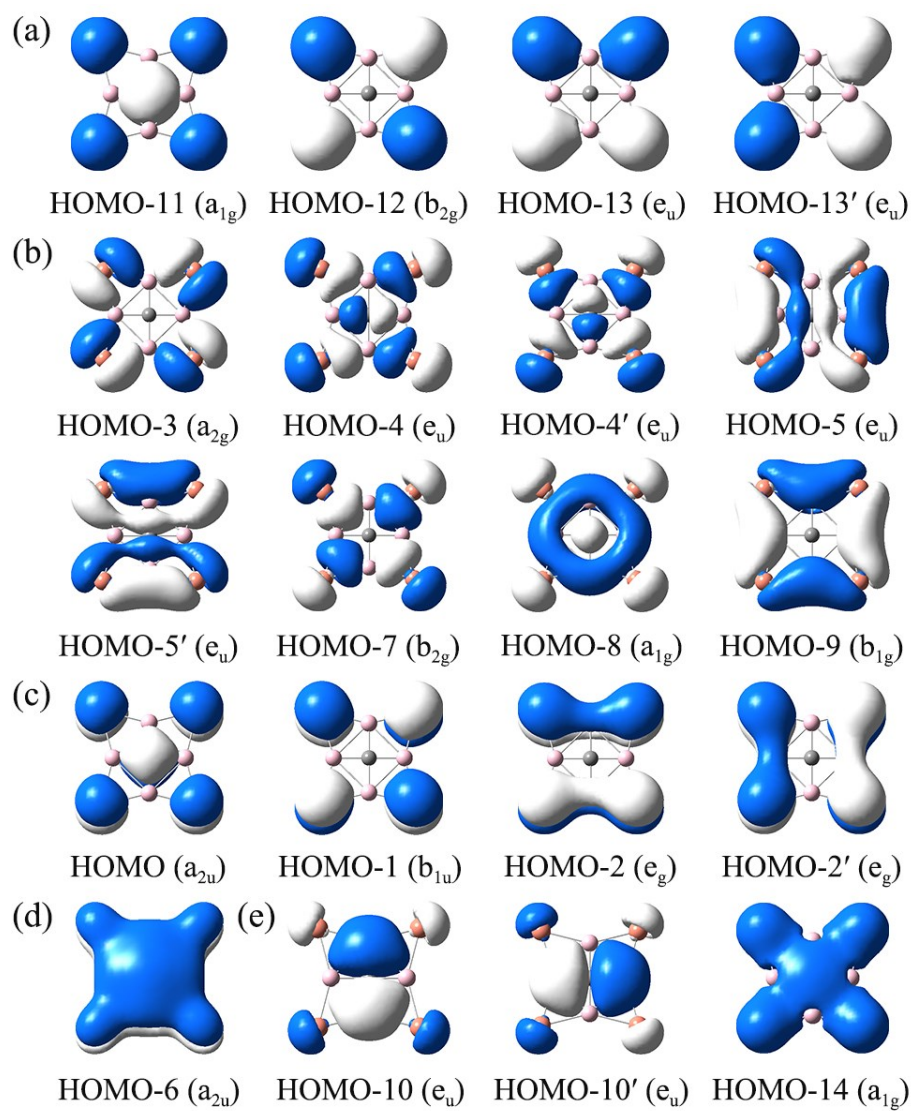
CMO	C (%)		Al <sub>4</sub> (%)		Te <sub>4</sub> (%)		MOs Energies (eV)
	s/p	total	s/p	total	s/p	total	
 HOMO ( $a_{2u}$ )	0.00/38.13	38.13	0.00/0.00	0.00	0.00/61.09	61.09	-6.94
 HOMO-1 ( $b_{1u}$ )	0.00/0.00	0.00	0.00/0.00	0.00	0.00/97.97	97.97	-7.48
 HOMO-2 ( $e_g$ )	0.00/0.00	0.00	0.00/13.94	13.94	0.00/84.86	84.86	-7.89
 HOMO-2'( $e_g$ )	0.00/0.00	0.00	0.00/13.94	13.94	0.00/84.86	84.86	-7.89
 HOMO-3 ( $e_u$ )	0.00/24.28	24.28	0.00/4.65	4.65	0.00/67.48	67.48	-7.97
 HOMO-3'( $e_u$ )	0.00/24.28	24.28	0.00/4.65	4.65	0.00/67.48	67.48	-7.97

CMO	C (%)		Al <sub>4</sub> (%)		Te <sub>4</sub> (%)		MOs Energies (eV)
	s/p	total	s/p	total	s/p	total	
 HOMO-4 (a <sub>2g</sub> )	0.00/0.00	0.00	0.00/13.72	13.72	0.00/85.13	85.13	-8.13
 HOMO-5 (e <sub>u</sub> )	0.00/8.31	8.31	11.93/16.46	28.39	0.00/61.84	61.84	-9.23
 HOMO-5' (e <sub>u</sub> )	0.00/8.31	8.31	11.93/16.46	28.39	0.00/61.84	61.84	-9.23
 HOMO-6 (a <sub>2u</sub> )	0.00/44.32	44.32	0.00/28.34	28.34	0.00/26.13	26.13	-9.37
 HOMO-7 (b <sub>2g</sub> )	0.00/0.00	0.00	0.00/14.64	14.64	7.96/75.40	83.36	-9.56
 HOMO-8 (a <sub>1g</sub> )	8.00/0.00	8.00	14.59/0.00	14.59	8.92/65.66	74.58	-10.13
 HOMO-9 (b <sub>1g</sub> )	0.00/0.00	0.00	31.97/12.82	44.79	0.00/53.30	53.30	-10.67

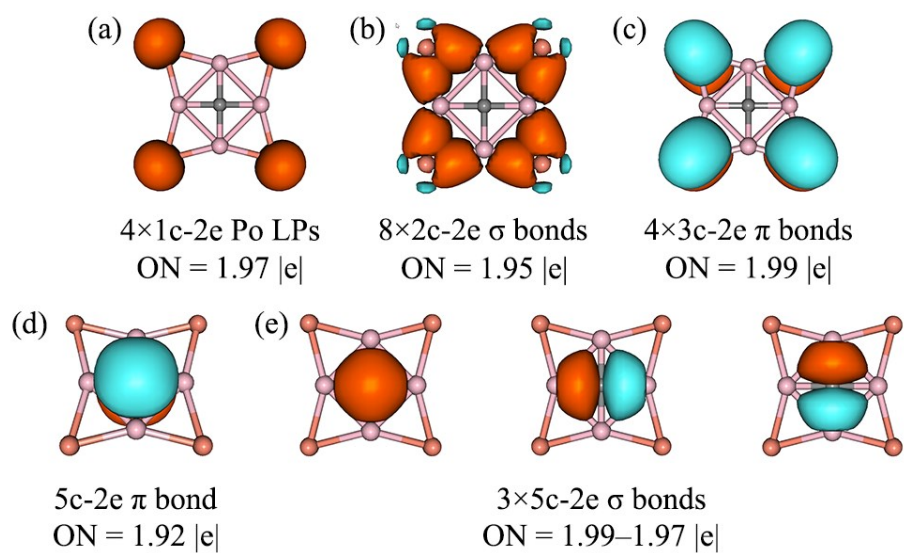
**Table S2.** Orbital composition analysis of canonical molecular orbitals (CMOs) of the global-minimum structure **2** ( $D_{4h}$ ,  $^1A_{1g}$ ) of  $CAI_4Po_4$  cluster.

CMO	C (%)		Al <sub>4</sub> (%)		Po <sub>4</sub> (%)		MOs Energies (eV)
	s/p	total	s/p	total	s/p	total	
 HOMO ( $a_{2u}$ )	0.00/32.98	32.98	0.00/0.00	0.00	0.00/65.90	65.90	-6.69
 HOMO-1 ( $b_{1u}$ )	0.00/0.00	0.00	0.00/0.00	0.00	0.00/98.09	98.09	-7.06
 HOMO-2 ( $e_g$ )	0.00/0.00	0.00	0.00/14.32	14.32	0.00/84.60	84.60	-7.47
 HOMO-2' ( $e_g$ )	0.00/0.00	0.00	0.00/14.32	14.32	0.00/84.60	84.60	-7.47
 HOMO-3 ( $a_{2g}$ )	0.00/0.00	0.00	0.00/13.20	13.20	0.00/85.81	85.81	-7.58
 HOMO-4 ( $e_u$ )	0.00/20.30	20.30	0.00/7.24	7.24	0.00/69.68	69.68	-7.69

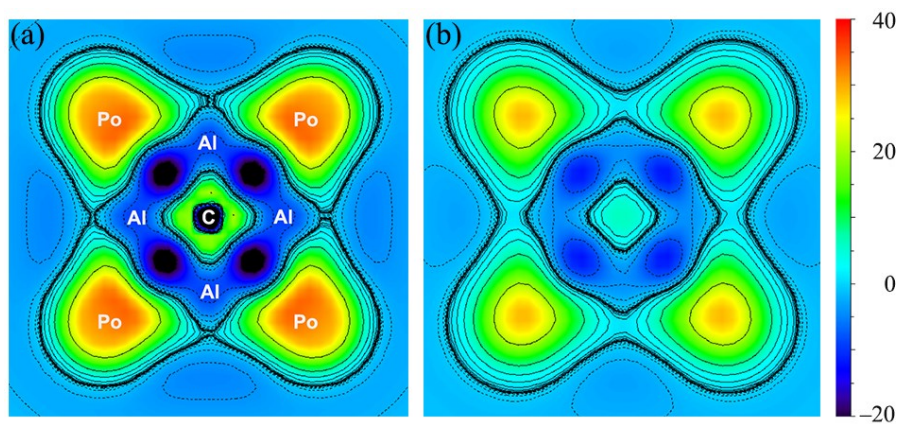
CMO	C (%)		Al <sub>4</sub> (%)		Po <sub>4</sub> (%)		MOs Energies (eV)
	s/p	total	s/p	total	s/p	total	
 HOMO-4' (e <sub>u</sub> )	0.00/20.30	20.30	0.00/7.24	7.24	0.00/69.68	69.68	-7.69
 HOMO-5 (e <sub>u</sub> )	0.00/11.76	11.76	13.18/16.06	29.24	0.00/57.62	57.62	-8.80
 HOMO-5' (e <sub>u</sub> )	0.00/11.76	11.76	13.18/16.06	29.24	0.00/57.62	57.62	-8.80
 HOMO-6 (a <sub>2u</sub> )	0.00/49.42	49.42	0.00/28.26	28.26	0.00/21.10	21.10	-9.10
 HOMO-7 (b <sub>2g</sub> )	0.00/0.00	0.00	0.00/19.70	19.70	6.03/72.43	78.46	-9.30
 HOMO-8 (a <sub>1g</sub> )	8.88/0.00	8.88	20.09/0.00	20.09	6.44/61.21	67.65	-10.12
 HOMO-9 (b <sub>1g</sub> )	0.00/0.00	0.00	33.41/13.76	47.17	0.00/51.05	51.05	-10.22



**Figure S1.** Analysis of canonical molecular orbitals (CMOs) of  $D_{4h}$   $\text{CaAl}_4\text{Po}_4$  (**2**) cluster.



**Figure S2.** Chemical bonding pattern for  $CAI_4Po_4(2)$  cluster, according to the adaptive natural density partitioning (AdNDP) analysis. Occupation numbers (ONs) are shown.



**Figure S3.** Color-filled maps of  $ICSS_{zz}$  (in ppm) for the  $CAl_4Po_4(2)$  cluster. Positive values indicate aromaticity. 0 and 1 in parentheses represent the height above the molecular planes (in Å).



Cartesian coordinates of optimized structures of the species reported in the text.

**1**

Al	0.00000000	1.90473200	0.00000000
Al	1.90473200	0.00000000	0.00000000
Al	-1.90473200	0.00000000	0.00000000
Al	0.00000000	-1.90473200	0.00000000
C	0.00000000	0.00000000	0.00000000
Te	-2.49474500	2.49474500	0.00000000
Te	-2.49474500	-2.49474500	0.00000000
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Te	2.49474500	-2.49474500	0.00000000

**1B**

C	0.54429900	-0.04779300	0.00000000
Al	-0.42538700	0.88076000	1.39335700
Al	-0.42538700	0.88076000	-1.39335700
Al	0.45302200	-1.76989500	1.21302600
Al	0.45302200	-1.76989500	-1.21302600
Te	-0.42538700	-0.66169700	3.39065100
Te	2.63326700	-0.70184500	0.00000000
Te	-1.85911400	2.47532000	0.00000000
Te	-0.42538700	-0.66169700	-3.39065100

**1C**

C	0.00000000	0.00007500	0.55192100
Al	0.00000000	1.57152000	-0.60940500
Al	-1.36096600	-0.78566400	-0.60938800
Al	1.36096600	-0.78566400	-0.60938800
Al	0.00000000	0.00005100	2.42125400
Te	0.00000000	-2.70433200	-1.65605300
Te	0.00000000	-0.00034700	4.76095500
Te	-2.34200000	1.35218000	-1.65665300
Te	2.34200000	1.35218000	-1.65665300

**1D**

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Al	-0.28766500	-1.05448000	0.00000000
Te	3.58804000	-0.66879100	0.00000000
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Te	-0.51073900	2.84065300	0.39114000
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## 2

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Al	1.91257100	0.00000000	0.00000000
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## 2B

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## 2C

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## 2D

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## 2E

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