

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

### **$\text{XB}_2\text{Bi}_2$ (X = Si, Ge, Sn, Pb): Penta-atomic Planar Tetracoordinate Si/Ge/Sn/Pb Clusters with 20 Valence Electrons**

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**Table S1.** Cartesian coordinates of optimized structures of the **1–4E** in the text.

**1** SiB<sub>2</sub>Bi<sub>2</sub> (*C*<sub>2v</sub>, <sup>1</sup>A<sub>1</sub>)

Si	0.00000000	0.00000000	−0.69264364
B	0.00000000	0.78509201	1.24503740
B	0.00000000	−0.78509201	1.24503740
Bi	0.00000000	2.55212806	−0.01658652
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**1B** (*C*<sub>s</sub>, <sup>1</sup>A′)

Si	−0.94882408	1.97728437	0.00000000
B	0.92192294	1.42269341	0.00000000
B	−0.04654403	0.08502439	0.00000000
Bi	2.34380697	−0.15531056	0.00000000
Bi	−2.23649803	−0.26903366	0.00000000

**1C** (*C*<sub>s</sub>, <sup>1</sup>A′)

Si	0.49035137	2.04064972	0.00000000
B	−1.70690907	0.06829469	0.00000000
B	−1.40945243	1.62902767	0.00000000
Bi	0.05251138	−0.22322716	1.51142293
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**1D** (*C*<sub>s</sub>, <sup>1</sup>A′)

Si	−3.16275301	1.39061380	0.00000000
B	−1.31584304	1.82797793	0.00000000
B	0.25495699	1.47664304	0.00000000
Bi	−1.27884787	−0.53173907	0.00000000
Bi	1.87623308	0.09810415	0.00000000

**1E ( $C_s, {}^1A'$ )**

Si	1.43138892	2.25199596	0.00000000
B	0.04388196	0.89758792	0.00000000
B	-0.28310599	-0.72127209	0.00000000
Bi	-2.27725401	-0.05596116	0.00000000
Bi	2.05022600	-0.33451502	0.00000000

**2 GeB<sub>2</sub>Bi<sub>2</sub> ( $C_{2v}, {}^1A_1$ )**

Ge	0.00000000	0.00000000	-0.63270333
B	0.00000000	0.78509201	1.30497771
B	0.00000000	-0.78509201	1.30497771
Bi	0.00000000	2.55212806	0.04335379
Bi	0.00000000	-2.55212806	0.04335379

**2B ( $C_s, {}^1A'$ )**

Ge	0.18696613	1.90797657	0.00000000
B	-1.71776546	-0.34815627	0.00000000
B	-1.63805844	1.23866907	0.00000000
Bi	0.06503737	-0.39462539	1.51142293
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**2C ( $C_s, {}^1A'$ )**

Ge	0.93697204	1.75591295	0.00000000
B	-0.94708287	1.28107631	0.00000000
B	-0.04008516	-0.08643272	0.00000000
Bi	-2.42327565	-0.22607460	0.00000000
Bi	2.12150137	-0.52287037	0.00000000

**2D ( $C_s, {}^1A'$ )**

Ge	-3.01359681	0.93725895	0.00000000
B	-1.22760024	1.57958290	0.00000000
B	0.37274913	1.40715661	0.00000000

Bi	-0.92542555	-0.76099895	0.00000000
Bi	2.13879125	0.21972204	0.00000000
<b>2E</b> ( $C_s, {}^1A'$ )			
Ge	1.46438183	1.94856347	0.00000000
B	-0.02479150	0.70680685	0.00000000
B	-0.47737378	-0.88152502	0.00000000
Bi	-2.41338736	-0.06230811	0.00000000
Bi	1.87905734	-0.67842009	0.00000000
<b>3</b> SnB <sub>2</sub> Bi <sub>2</sub> ( $C_{2v}, {}^1A_1$ )			
Sn	0.00000000	0.00000000	1.24128239
B	0.00000000	0.79608423	-1.24018059
B	0.00000000	-0.79608423	-1.24018059
Bi	0.00000000	2.69689122	-0.29917056
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<b>3B</b> ( $C_s, {}^1A'$ )			
Sn	0.10781754	2.07980357	0.00000000
B	-1.65212270	-0.65341558	0.00000000
B	-1.90388277	0.91909968	0.00000000
Bi	0.07463344	-0.63444939	-1.51304437
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<b>3C</b> ( $C_s, {}^1A'$ )			
Sn	1.29054355	1.89424475	0.00000000
B	-0.10998643	-0.17542506	0.00000000
B	-1.03243961	1.17202512	0.00000000
Bi	1.91643704	-1.00275401	0.00000000
Bi	-2.62505207	-0.19839343	0.00000000

**3D ( $C_1, {}^1A$ )**

Sn	1.86824000	-0.02450800	-0.06553900
B	-0.57684400	-0.53949200	1.94660500
B	0.46808700	0.62735800	1.67857000
Bi	-0.91073800	1.48914100	-0.07692100
Bi	-0.92844200	-1.47022100	-0.07671300

**3E ( $C_s, {}^1A'$ )**

Sn	3.15910817	-0.63956441	0.00000000
B	-0.54578919	-1.35498978	0.00000000
B	1.05753414	-1.42686307	0.00000000
Bi	-2.43143113	-0.33746760	0.00000000
Bi	0.49752590	0.89032887	0.00000000

**4 PbB<sub>2</sub>Bi<sub>2</sub> ( $C_{2v}, {}^1A_1$ )**

Pb	0.00000000	0.00000000	1.08732488
B	0.00000000	0.79608423	-1.39413810
B	0.00000000	-0.79608423	-1.39413810
Bi	0.00000000	2.69689122	-0.45312807
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**4B ( $C_s, {}^1A'$ )**

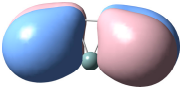
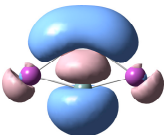
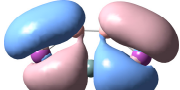
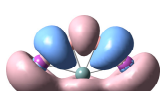
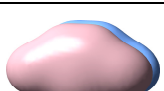
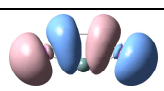

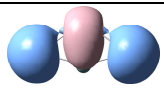
Pb	0.06407749	1.82316412	0.00000000
B	-1.65007956	-0.93899848	0.00000000
B	-1.92800478	0.62910386	0.00000000
Bi	0.07612089	-0.89126497	-1.51304437
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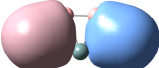
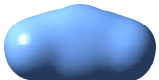
**4C ( $C_s, {}^1A'$ )**

Pb	1.29928034	1.53072606	0.00000000
B	-0.31185493	-0.37957771	0.00000000

B	-1.08695072	1.05770040	0.00000000
Bi	1.61593793	-1.41614898	0.00000000
Bi	-2.81529889	-0.13698536	0.00000000
<b>4D (C<sub>1</sub>,<sup>1</sup>A)</b>			
Pb	1.86824000	-0.02450800	-0.06553900
B	-0.57684400	-0.53949200	1.94660500
B	0.46808700	0.62735800	1.67857000
Bi	-0.91073800	1.48914100	-0.07692100
Bi	-0.92844200	-1.47022100	-0.07671300
<b>4E (C<sub>s</sub>,<sup>1</sup>A')</b>			
Pb	-1.73452637	-1.38043592	0.00000000
B	0.32297867	-0.35057301	0.00000000
B	1.12268273	1.08967496	0.00000000
Bi	-1.14601025	1.55419306	0.00000000
Bi	2.77255068	-0.23491311	0.00000000

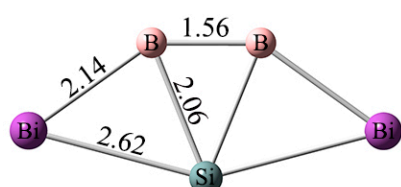
**Table S2.** Orbital composition analysis of canonical molecular orbitals (CMOs) of the global-minimum structure **1** ( $C_{2v}$ ,  $^1A_1$ ) of SiB<sub>2</sub>Bi<sub>2</sub> cluster.

CMO	Si (%)		B <sub>2</sub> (%)		Bi <sub>2</sub> (%)	
	s/p	total	s/p	total	s/p	total
 HOMO	0.00/0.00	0.00	0.00/13.87	13.87	0.00/ <b>84.68</b>	<b>84.68</b>
 HOMO-1	9.53/ <b>25.53</b>	<b>35.06</b>	9.30/ <b>45.55</b>	<b>54.85</b>	0.00/7.72	7.72
 HOMO-2	0.00/ <b>27.20</b>	<b>27.20</b>	4.72/ <b>15.90</b>	<b>20.62</b>	0.00/ <b>50.71</b>	<b>50.71</b>
 HOMO-3	1.87/5.58	7.45	0.00/ <b>42.34</b>	<b>42.34</b>	5.29/ <b>42.75</b>	<b>48.04</b>
 HOMO-4	0.00/ <b>26.65</b>	<b>26.65</b>	0.00/ <b>46.37</b>	<b>46.37</b>	0.00/ <b>25.53</b>	<b>25.53</b>
 HOMO-5	0.00/3.33	3.33	<b>19.69</b> /11.82	<b>31.51</b>	<b>18.63</b> / <b>44.16</b>	<b>62.79</b>
 HOMO-6	<b>41.02</b> /4.76	<b>45.78</b>	<b>21.40</b> /13.64	<b>35.04</b>	3.58/13.32	<b>16.90</b>
 HOMO-7	2.65/3.01	5.66	<b>15.31</b> / <b>27.25</b>	<b>42.56</b>	<b>43.23</b> /2.93	<b>46.16</b>

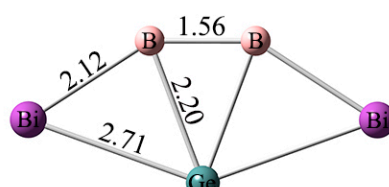
CMO	Si (%)		B <sub>2</sub> (%)		Bi <sub>2</sub> (%)	
	s/p	total	s/p	total	s/p	total
 HOMO-8	0.00/9.34	9.34	6.37/13.29	<b>19.66</b>	<b>63.42/0.00</b>	<b>63.42</b>
 HOMO-9	<b>16.83/3.36</b>	<b>20.19</b>	<b>26.04/8.36</b>	<b>34.40</b>	<b>34.51/3.32</b>	<b>37.83</b>



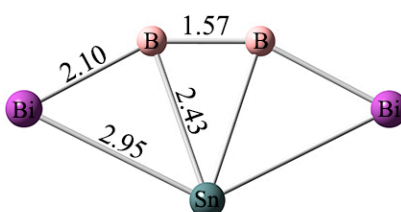
**Figure S1.** Optimized GM structures of  $\text{XB}_2\text{Bi}_2$  ( $\text{X} = \text{Si}, \text{Ge}, \text{Sn}, \text{Pb}$ ) clusters with bond distances (in Å) at the MP2/def2-TZVP level. The lowest vibrational frequencies are shown (in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ).



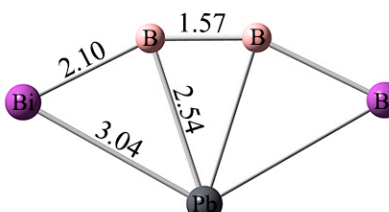
1  $C_{2v}$   $\text{SiB}_2\text{Bi}_2$  ( $^1\text{A}_1$ )  
86.5



2  $C_{2v}$   $\text{GeB}_2\text{Bi}_2$  ( $^1\text{A}_1$ )  
69.7

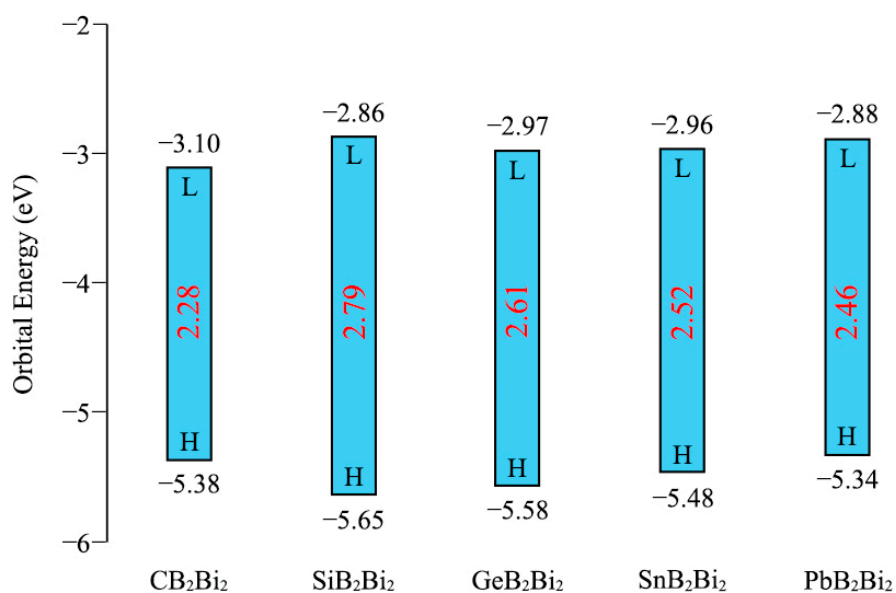


3  $C_{2v}$   $\text{SnB}_2\text{Bi}_2$  ( $^1\text{A}_1$ )  
71.0

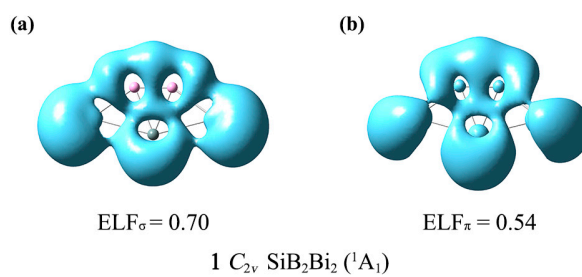


4  $C_{2v}$   $\text{PbB}_2\text{Bi}_2$  ( $^1\text{A}_1$ )  
71.9

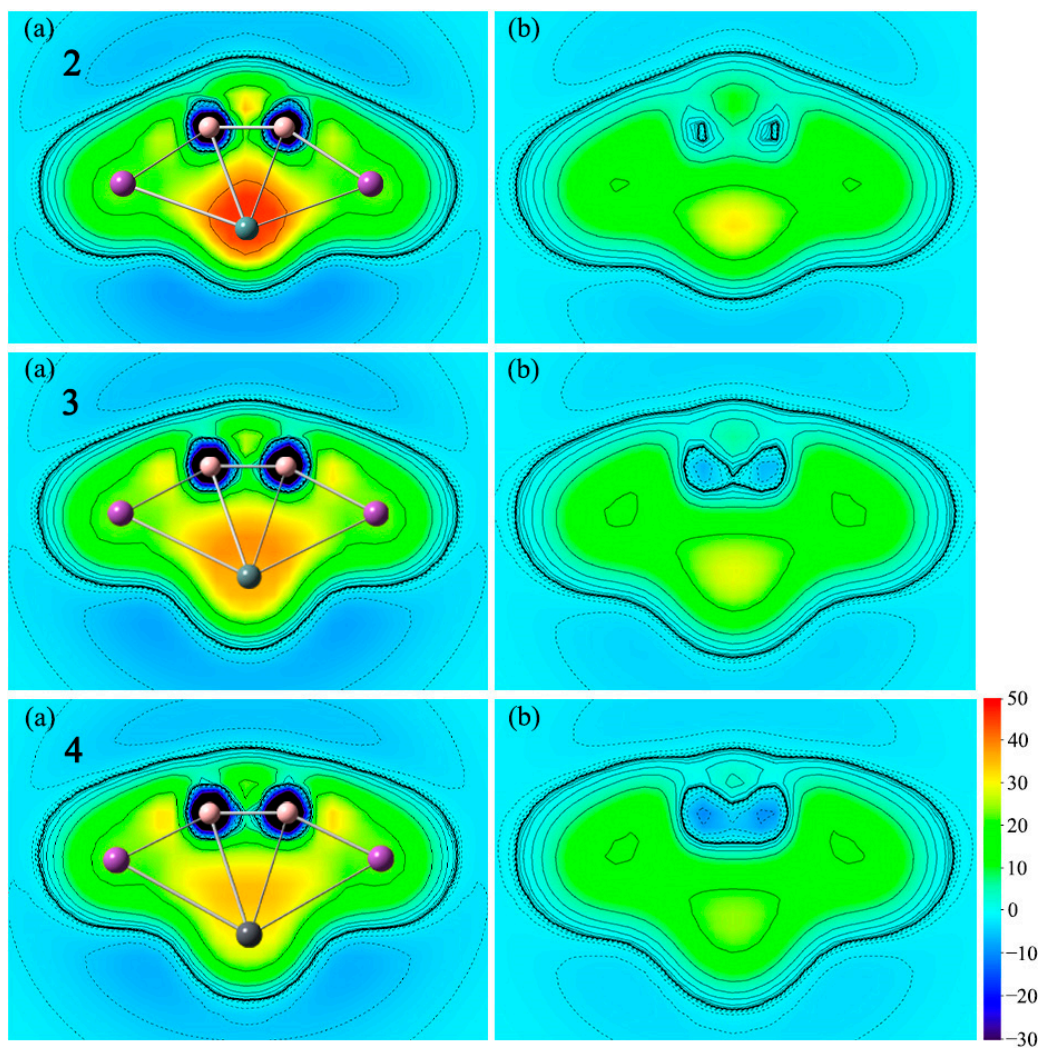
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**Figure S3.**  $\text{ELF}_\sigma$  (a) and  $\text{ELF}_\pi$  (b) pictures of ptSi  $\text{SiB}_2\text{Bi}_2$ .



**Figure S4.** Color-filled maps of (a) ICSS(0)<sub>zz</sub> and (b) ICSS(1)<sub>zz</sub> (in ppm) for 2–4 clusters. Positive values indicate aromaticity. 0 and 1 in parentheses represent the height above the molecular planes (in Å).



**Figure S5.** Simulated infrared spectra of **2–4** clusters at the PBE0-D3(BJ)/def2-TZVP level.

