

# Supplementary Materials: The Thermodynamic and Kinetic Properties of 2-Hydroxypyridine/2-Pyridone Tautomerization: A Theoretical and Computational Revisit

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**Table S1.** Standard orientation of 2-hydroxypyridine (2-HPY) calculated by using CAM-B3LYP/aug-cc-pvdz level of theory.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates(Angstroms) |           |           |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|------------------------|-----------|-----------|
|               |               |             | X                      | Y         | Z         |
| 1             | 6             | 0           | -1.003643              | -1.231244 | 0.000058  |
| 2             | 6             | 0           | 0.904003               | 0.030899  | -0.000008 |
| 3             | 6             | 0           | 0.186126               | 1.237950  | -0.000042 |
| 4             | 6             | 0           | -1.201170              | 1.156316  | -0.000007 |
| 5             | 6             | 0           | -1.819476              | -0.102518 | 0.000050  |
| 6             | 1             | 0           | -1.437416              | -2.233442 | 0.000105  |
| 7             | 1             | 0           | 0.716025               | 2.188796  | -0.000091 |
| 8             | 1             | 0           | -1.800651              | 2.067596  | -0.000023 |
| 9             | 1             | 0           | -2.903707              | -0.203699 | 0.000081  |
| 10            | 7             | 0           | 0.338955               | -1.173142 | 0.000033  |
| 11            | 8             | 0           | 2.260559               | 0.084668  | -0.000070 |
| 12            | 1             | 0           | 2.573552               | -0.833016 | -0.000054 |

**Table S2.** Standard orientation of 2-pyridone (2-PY) calculated by using CAM-B3LYP/aug-cc-pvdz level of theory.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates(Angstroms) |           |           |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|------------------------|-----------|-----------|
|               |               |             | X                      | Y         | Z         |
| 1             | 6             | 0           | -1.059541              | -1.191802 | 0.000000  |
| 2             | 6             | 0           | 1.064458               | 0.063913  | -0.000001 |
| 3             | 6             | 0           | 0.249231               | 1.266037  | 0.000000  |
| 4             | 6             | 0           | -1.118464              | 1.203656  | 0.000000  |
| 5             | 6             | 0           | -1.807288              | -0.048084 | 0.000000  |
| 6             | 1             | 0           | -1.493091              | -2.190520 | 0.000001  |
| 7             | 1             | 0           | 0.784351               | 2.213949  | 0.000000  |
| 8             | 1             | 0           | -1.699035              | 2.128112  | 0.000001  |
| 9             | 1             | 0           | -2.892873              | -0.101857 | 0.000001  |
| 10            | 7             | 0           | 0.303930               | -1.124328 | 0.000000  |
| 11            | 8             | 0           | 2.293296               | 0.004077  | 0.000000  |
| 12            | 1             | 0           | 0.856392               | -1.974323 | 0.000000  |

**Table S3.** Standard orientation of pyridine (PY) calculated by using CAM-B3LYP/aug-cc-pvdz level of theory.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates(Angstroms) |           |           |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|------------------------|-----------|-----------|
|               |               |             | X                      | Y         | Z         |
| 1             | 6             | 0           | 1.231090               | -0.557746 | -0.000046 |
| 2             | 6             | 0           | -1.025456              | -0.867754 | 0.000023  |
| 3             | 6             | 0           | -1.282063              | 0.507596  | 0.000055  |
| 4             | 6             | 0           | -0.190954              | 1.357671  | 0.000019  |
| 5             | 6             | 0           | 1.100074               | 0.821991  | -0.000037 |
| 6             | 1             | 0           | 2.217440               | -1.024352 | -0.000092 |
| 7             | 1             | 0           | -2.307722              | 0.869475  | 0.000103  |
| 8             | 1             | 0           | -0.341407              | 2.437261  | 0.000035  |
| 9             | 1             | 0           | 1.980886               | 1.460596  | -0.000069 |
| 10            | 7             | 0           | 0.187293               | -1.395952 | -0.000019 |
| 11            | 1             | 0           | -1.856403              | -1.541865 | 0.000069  |

**Table S4.** Some selected bond lengths (Å), bond angles and dihedral angles (degrees) of the optimized structures of 2-pyridone (2-PY) (top 11 lines) and 2-Hydroxypyridine (2-HPY) (bottom 11 lines) which have estimated by using different methods with 6-311++G\*\* and aug-cc-pvdz basis sets. The crystal structure of 2-Pyridone and the microwave-normalized structure of 2-HPY are listed for comparison purposes.

| Parameter                 |             | C2O11 | N10C2 | C2C3  | N10C1 | O11C2C3 | N10C2C3 | C2C3C4 | O11C2C3C4 | O11C2N10C1 | N10C2C3C4 |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|---------|--------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| B3LYP                     | 6-311++G**  | 1.223 | 1.411 | 1.451 | 1.364 | 127.0   | 113.0   | 121.6  | −180.0    | 180.0      | 0.0       |
|                           | Aug-cc-pvdz | 1.230 | 1.411 | 1.452 | 1.365 | 126.9   | 113.2   | 121.5  | −180.0    | 180.0      | 0.00      |
| CAM-B3LYP                 | 6-311++G**  | 1.220 | 1.399 | 1.449 | 1.362 | 126.6   | 113.3   | 121.5  | −180.0    | 180.0      | 0.00      |
|                           | Aug-cc-pvdz | 1.225 | 1.399 | 1.450 | 1.363 | 126.6   | 113.5   | 121.4  | −180.0    | 180.0      | 0.00      |
| WB97XD                    | 6-311++G**  | 1.220 | 1.401 | 1.451 | 1.361 | 126.7   | 113.2   | 121.5  | −180.0    | 180.0      | 0.00      |
|                           | Aug-cc-pvdz | 1.220 | 1.397 | 1.448 | 1.357 | 126.7   | 113.2   | 121.5  | −180.0    | 180.0      | 0.00      |
| M062X                     | 6-311++G**  | 1.220 | 1.402 | 1.453 | 1.362 | 126.7   | 113.1   | 121.5  | −180.0    | 180.0      | 0.00      |
|                           | Aug-cc-pvdz | 1.220 | 1.398 | 1.449 | 1.358 | 126.7   | 113.2   | 121.4  | −180.0    | 180.0      | 0.00      |
| CCSD                      | 6-311++G**  | 1.221 | 1.399 | 1.465 | 1.375 | 126.0   | 113.4   | 121.5  | −180.0    | 180.0      | 0.00      |
|                           | Aug-cc-pvdz | 1.232 | 1.403 | 1.463 | 1.379 | 126.0   | 113.6   | 121.4  | −180.0    | 180.0      | 0.00      |
| Experimental <sup>a</sup> |             | 1.252 | 1.379 | 1.437 | 1.362 | 124.8   | 115.0   | 121.1  | −177.6    | 177.7      | 2.1       |
| B3LYP                     | 6-311++G**  | 1.354 | 1.326 | 1.401 | 1.341 | 118.5   | 124.0   | 117.4  | −180.0    | 180.0      | 0.0       |
|                           | Aug-cc-pvdz | 1.353 | 1.323 | 1.397 | 1.338 | 118.6   | 123.9   | 117.5  | −180.0    | 180.0      | 0.00      |
| CAM-B3LYP                 | 6-311++G**  | 1.348 | 1.319 | 1.395 | 1.336 | 118.5   | 124.0   | 117.4  | −180.0    | 180.0      | 0.00      |
|                           | Aug-cc-pvdz | 1.351 | 1.323 | 1.399 | 1.339 | 118.5   | 124.1   | 117.4  | −180.0    | 180.0      | 0.00      |
| WB97XD                    | 6-311++G**  | 1.346 | 1.322 | 1.398 | 1.337 | 118.5   | 124.1   | 117.4  | −180.0    | 180.0      | 0.00      |
|                           | Aug-cc-pvdz | 1.350 | 1.326 | 1.401 | 1.340 | 118.4   | 124.2   | 117.3  | −180.0    | 180.0      | 0.00      |
| M062X                     | 6-311++G**  | 1.348 | 1.321 | 1.399 | 1.338 | 118.3   | 124.2   | 117.4  | −180.0    | 180.0      | 0.00      |
|                           | Aug-cc-pvdz | 1.351 | 1.324 | 1.402 | 1.340 | 118.2   | 124.3   | 117.3  | −180.0    | 180.0      | 0.00      |
| CCSD                      | 6-311++G**  | 1.354 | 1.325 | 1.407 | 1.348 | 118.0   | 124.5   | 117.3  | −180.0    | 180.0      | 0.00      |
|                           | Aug-cc-pvdz | 1.364 | 1.333 | 1.413 | 1.355 | 118.0   | 124.6   | 117.3  | −180.0    | 180.0      | 0.00      |
| Normalized <sup>b</sup>   |             | 1.336 | 1.320 | 1.41  | 1.34  | 118     | 124.1   | 117.5  | -         | -          | -         |

<sup>a</sup> Taken from Reference [2]; <sup>b</sup> Taken from Reference [7].

**Table S5.** Standard orientation of the transition state (T.S.) calculated by using B3LYP/6-311++G\*\* level of theory.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates(Angstroms) |           |           |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|------------------------|-----------|-----------|
|               |               |             | X                      | Y         | Z         |
| 1             | 6             | 0           | 0.894017               | -1.288327 | 0.000014  |
| 2             | 6             | 0           | -0.959359              | 0.205596  | -0.000009 |
| 3             | 6             | 0           | -0.112054              | 1.335076  | -0.000007 |
| 4             | 6             | 0           | 1.252633               | 1.090093  | 0.000005  |
| 5             | 6             | 0           | 1.778009               | -0.219808 | 0.000016  |
| 6             | 1             | 0           | 1.214283               | -2.325567 | 0.000022  |
| 7             | 1             | 0           | -0.525865              | 2.336249  | -0.000016 |
| 8             | 1             | 0           | 1.939885               | 1.932583  | 0.000007  |
| 9             | 1             | 0           | 2.847723               | -0.393839 | 0.000026  |
| 10            | 8             | 0           | -2.238063              | 0.037676  | -0.000020 |
| 11            | 1             | 0           | -1.714105              | -1.235007 | -0.000009 |
| 12            | 7             | 0           | -0.425270              | -1.050229 | 0.000002  |

**Table S6.** Imaginary frequencies (negative Signs) Harmonic frequencies ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ), IR intensities ( $\text{km/Mole}$ ), Reduced masses (amu), force constants ( $\text{mDyne/\AA}$ ), and normal coordinates calculated for the transition state (T.S.) by using B3LYP/6-311++G\*\* level of theory.

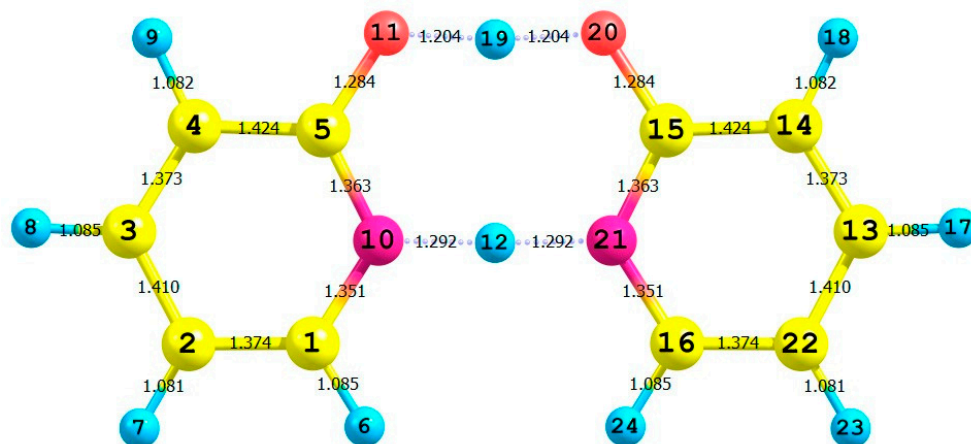
| <b>Imaginary Freq.</b> | -1889.5981  |       |       |      |
|------------------------|-------------|-------|-------|------|
| <b>Reduced Masses</b>  | 1.0705      |       |       |      |
| <b>Force Constants</b> | 2.2521      |       |       |      |
| <b>IR Intensities</b>  | 580.9988    |       |       |      |
| Atom Number            | Mass Number | X     | Y     | Z    |
| 1                      | 6           | 0.00  | -0.01 | 0.00 |
| 2                      | 6           | -0.05 | 0.01  | 0.00 |
| 3                      | 6           | 0.01  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| 4                      | 6           | -0.01 | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| 5                      | 6           | -0.01 | -0.01 | 0.00 |
| 6                      | 1           | 0.00  | -0.01 | 0.00 |
| 7                      | 1           | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| 8                      | 1           | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| 9                      | 1           | -0.01 | -0.01 | 0.00 |
| 10                     | 8           | 0.01  | 0.04  | 0.00 |
| 11                     | 1           | 0.80  | -0.59 | 0.00 |
| 12                     | 7           | -0.02 | 0.00  | 0.00 |

**Table S7.** Standard orientation of the transition state (T.S.) of the double proton shifts between a mixed dimer tautomerization of 2-HPY $\leftrightarrow$ 2-PY using B3LYP/6-311++G\*\* level of theory.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates(Angstroms) |           |           |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|------------------------|-----------|-----------|
|               |               |             | X                      | Y         | Z         |
| 1             | 6             | 0           | 2.016618               | -1.540155 | -0.000186 |
| 2             | 6             | 0           | 3.392801               | -1.551071 | 0.000391  |
| 3             | 6             | 0           | 4.058686               | -0.303647 | 0.000714  |
| 4             | 6             | 0           | 3.337370               | 0.866023  | 0.000434  |
| 5             | 6             | 0           | 1.910516               | 0.837407  | -0.000207 |
| 6             | 1             | 0           | 1.443911               | -2.460302 | -0.000423 |
| 7             | 1             | 0           | 3.938541               | -2.483769 | 0.000607  |
| 8             | 1             | 0           | 5.142238               | -0.271514 | 0.001186  |
| 9             | 1             | 0           | 3.807521               | 1.838608  | 0.000673  |
| 10            | 7             | 0           | 1.293419               | -0.389741 | -0.000491 |
| 11            | 8             | 0           | 1.221139               | 1.938550  | -0.000529 |
| 12            | 1             | 0           | -0.000043              | -0.416342 | -0.000651 |
| 13            | 6             | 0           | -4.058719              | -0.303515 | 0.000683  |
| 14            | 6             | 0           | -3.337346              | 0.866106  | 0.000410  |
| 15            | 6             | 0           | -1.910460              | 0.837458  | -0.000216 |
| 16            | 6             | 0           | -2.016735              | -1.540155 | -0.000202 |
| 17            | 1             | 0           | -5.142272              | -0.271322 | 0.001144  |
| 18            | 1             | 0           | -3.807455              | 1.838713  | 0.000643  |
| 19            | 1             | 0           | 0.000431               | 1.905944  | -0.001177 |
| 20            | 8             | 0           | -1.220960              | 1.938448  | -0.000518 |
| 21            | 7             | 0           | -1.293476              | -0.389794 | -0.000489 |
| 22            | 6             | 0           | -3.392914              | -1.550992 | 0.000364  |
| 23            | 1             | 0           | -3.938712              | -2.483656 | 0.000567  |
| 24            | 1             | 0           | -1.444093              | -2.460346 | -0.000441 |

**Table S8.** Imaginary frequencies (negative Signs) Harmonic frequencies ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ), IR intensities ( $\text{km/Mole}$ ), Reduced masses (amu), force constants ( $\text{mDyne/\AA}$ ), and normal coordinates calculated for the transition state (T.S.) of the double proton shifts between a mixed dimer tautomerization of 2-HPY $\leftrightarrow$ 2-PY using B3LYP/6-311++G\*\* level of theory.

| <b>Imaginary Frequency</b> |             | -1310.7244 |       |      |
|----------------------------|-------------|------------|-------|------|
| <b>Reduced Masses</b>      |             | 1.0771     |       |      |
| <b>Force Constants</b>     |             | 1.0903     |       |      |
| <b>IR Intensity</b>        |             | 500.4067   |       |      |
| Atom Number                | Mass Number | X          | Y     | Z    |
| 1                          | 6           | 0.00       | -0.02 | 0.00 |
| 2                          | 6           | -0.01      | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| 3                          | 6           | 0.00       | 0.01  | 0.00 |
| 4                          | 6           | 0.01       | -0.01 | 0.00 |
| 5                          | 6           | -0.01      | 0.04  | 0.00 |
| 6                          | 1           | -0.01      | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| 7                          | 1           | -0.01      | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| 8                          | 1           | 0.00       | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| 9                          | 1           | -0.01      | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| 10                         | 7           | -0.01      | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| 11                         | 8           | 0.01       | -0.02 | 0.00 |
| 12                         | 1           | 0.83       | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| 13                         | 6           | 0.00       | -0.01 | 0.00 |
| 14                         | 6           | 0.01       | 0.01  | 0.00 |
| 15                         | 6           | -0.01      | -0.04 | 0.00 |
| 16                         | 6           | 0.00       | 0.02  | 0.00 |
| 17                         | 1           | 0.00       | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| 18                         | 1           | -0.01      | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| 19                         | 1           | -0.55      | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| 20                         | 8           | 0.01       | 0.02  | 0.00 |
| 21                         | 7           | -0.01      | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| 22                         | 6           | -0.01      | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| 23                         | 1           | -0.01      | 0.00  | 0.00 |
| 24                         | 1           | -0.01      | 0.00  | 0.00 |



**Figure S1.** The structure of the Transition State for the double proton shifts between a mixed dimer tautomerization of 2-HPY $\leftrightarrow$ 2-PY using B3LYP/6-311++G\*\* level of theory. The color scheme is pink: nitrogen; yellow: carbon; blue: hydrogen; and red: oxygen.