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# Effect of the Nucleophile's Nature on Chloroacetanilide Herbicides Cleavage Reaction Mechanism. A DFT Study

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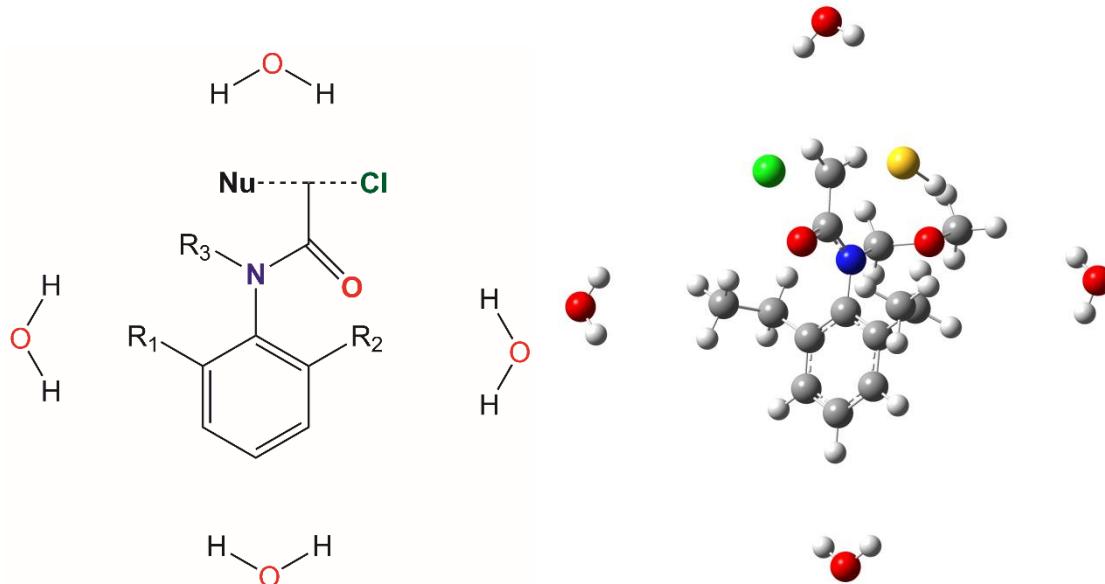
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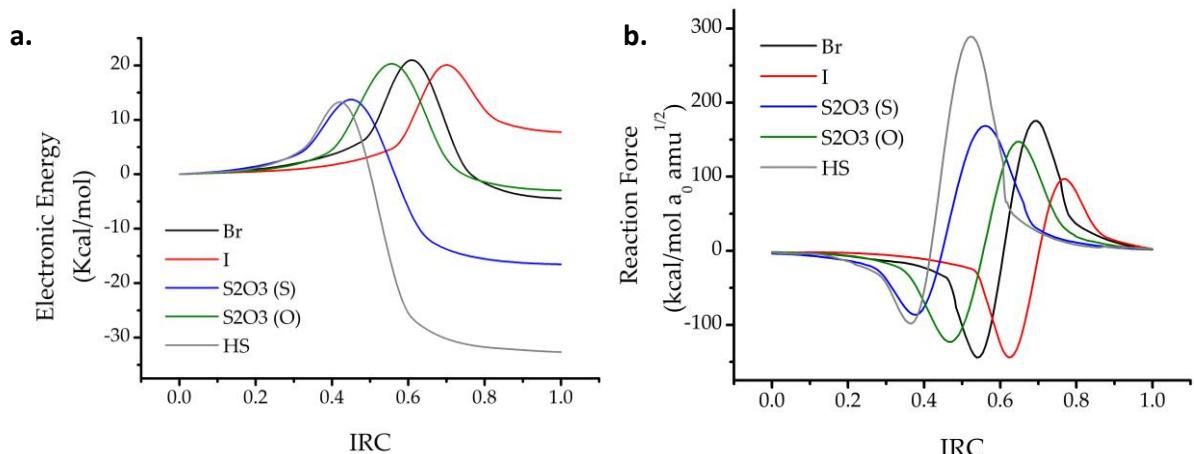
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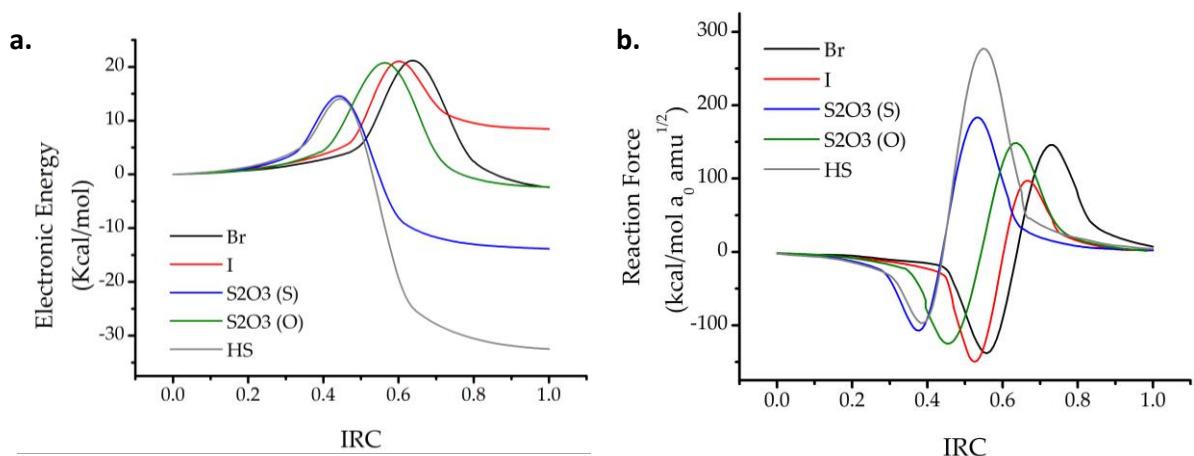
**Figure S1.** 2D and 3D representation of the 4-water model in the TS structure of Chloroacetanilide Herbicides

**Table S1.** Solvation electronic energy of chloroacetanilides and transition states

Chloroacetanilide	Nucleophile	Solvation Energy (kcal/mol)
<b>Alachlor</b>	(Reagent)	1.7
	$Br^-$ (TS)	0.8
	$I^-$ (TS)	1.3
	$HS^-$ (TS)	1.2
	$S_2O_3^{2-}$ (S) (TS)	1.1
	$S_2O_3^{2-}$ (O) (TS)	1.0
<b>Acetochlor</b>	(Reagent)	1.3
	$Br^-$ (TS)	0.7
	$I^-$ (TS)	1.2
	$HS^-$ (TS)	1.0
	$S_2O_3^{2-}$ (S) (TS)	1.2
	$S_2O_3^{2-}$ (O) (TS)	1.5
<b>Propachlor</b>	(Reagent)	1.5
	$Br^-$ (TS)	0.4
	$I^-$ (TS)	0.8
	$HS^-$ (TS)	0.3
	$S_2O_3^{2-}$ (S) (TS)	1.2
	$S_2O_3^{2-}$ (O) (TS)	0.3
<b>Metolachlor</b>	(Reagent)	0.0
	$Br^-$ (TS)	-0.3
	$I^-$ (TS)	-0.4
	$HS^-$ (TS)	0.7
	$S_2O_3^{2-}$ (S) (TS)	0.2
	$S_2O_3^{2-}$ (O) (TS)	0.9



**Figure S2.** IRC (a) and RF (b) plots for the nucleophilic substitution of acetochlor



**Figure S3.** IRC (a) and RF (b) plots for the nucleophilic substitution of metolachlor.

**Table S2.** Reaction force Works (in Kcal/mol) involved in the nucleophilic substitution of propachlor

Nucleophile	w1	w2	w3	w4
Br <sup>-</sup>	13.6	8.0	-11.0	-14.6
I <sup>-</sup>	11.9	7.9	-4.4	-7.8
HS <sup>-</sup>	9.1	4.4	-22.4	-26.2
S <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> <sup>-2</sup> (S)	9.4	5.1	-10.9	-18.0
S <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> <sup>-2</sup> (O)	12.5	8.7	-10.0	-14.3

**Table S3.** Reaction force Works (in Kcal/mol) involved in the nucleophilic substitution of metolachlor

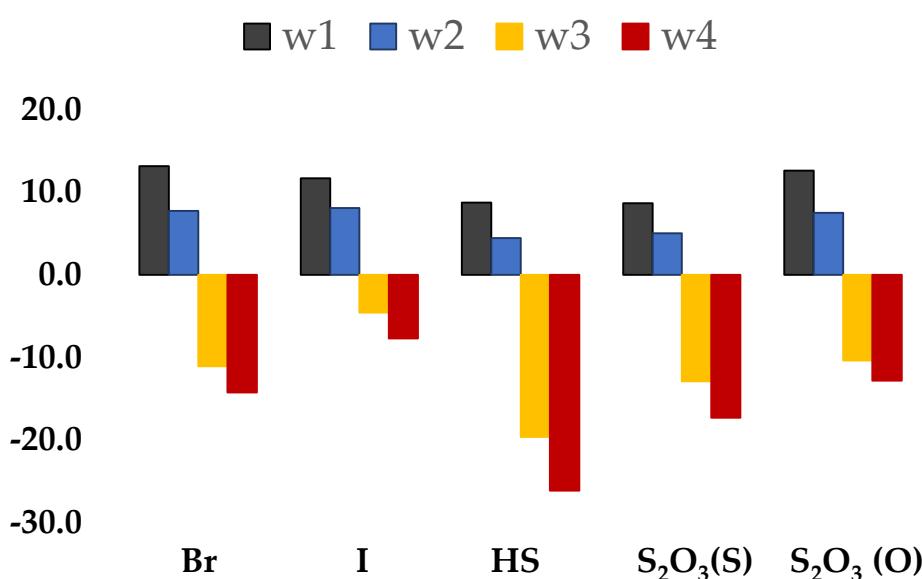
<i>Nucleophile</i>	<i>w1</i>	<i>w2</i>	<i>w3</i>	<i>w4</i>
<i>Br</i>	13.1	8.0	-9.1	-14.4
<i>I</i>	13.0	8.0	-4.5	-8.1
<i>HS</i> <sup>-</sup>	9.6	4.4	-19.2	-27.3
<i>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup></i> ( <i>S</i> )	9.3	5.1	-12.4	-15.9
<i>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup></i> ( <i>O</i> )	13.1	7.4	-10.2	-12.9

**Table S4.** Reaction force Works (in Kcal/mol) involved in the nucleophilic substitution of alachlor

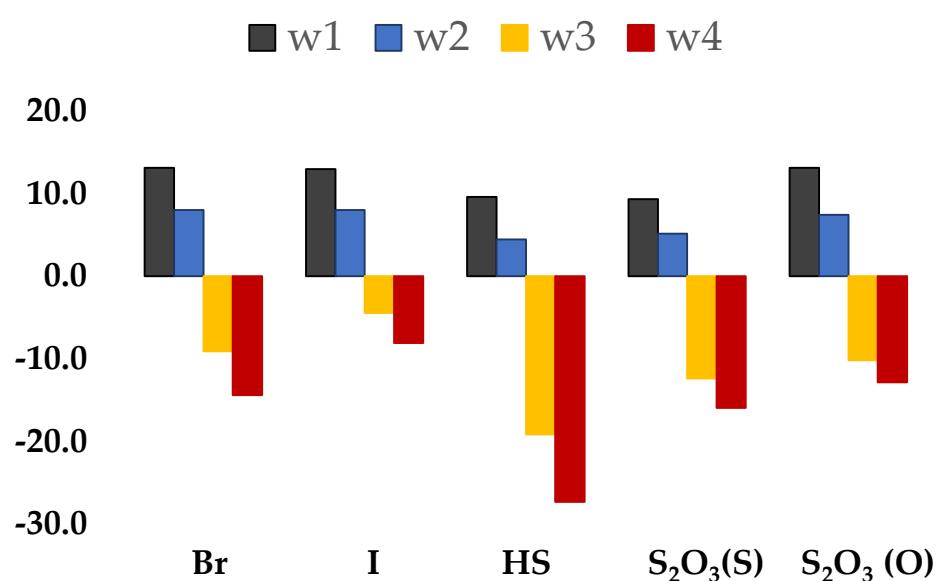
<i>Nucleophile</i>	<i>w1</i>	<i>w2</i>	<i>w3</i>	<i>w4</i>
<i>Br</i>	12.3	7.7	-9.5	-15.8
<i>I</i>	11.8	8.1	-4.6	-7.8
<i>HS</i> <sup>-</sup>	8.9	4.3	-20.4	-29.2
<i>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup></i> ( <i>S</i> )	8.9	5.0	-12.9	-17.8
<i>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup></i> ( <i>O</i> )	12.6	7.5	-10.3	-12.9

**Table S5.** Reaction force Works (in Kcal/mol) involved in the nucleophilic substitution of acetochlor

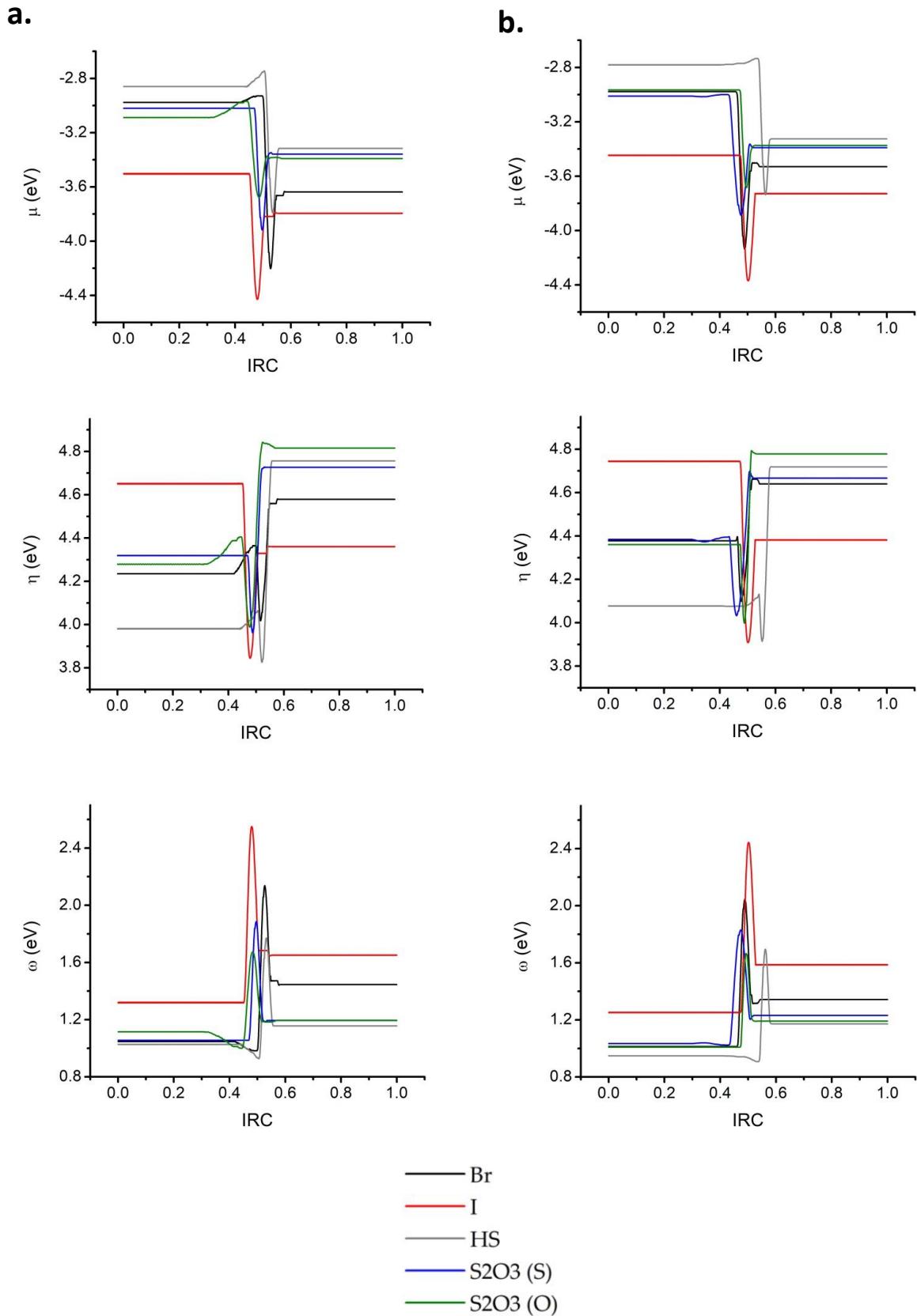
<i>Nucleophile</i>	<i>w1</i>	<i>w2</i>	<i>w3</i>	<i>w4</i>
<i>Br</i>	13.2	7.7	-11.1	-14.2
<i>I</i>	11.7	8.1	-4.6	-7.7
<i>HS</i> <sup>-</sup>	8.7	4.5	-19.6	-26.1
<i>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup></i> ( <i>S</i> )	8.7	5.0	-12.9	-17.3
<i>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup></i> ( <i>O</i> )	12.6	7.5	-10.4	-12.8



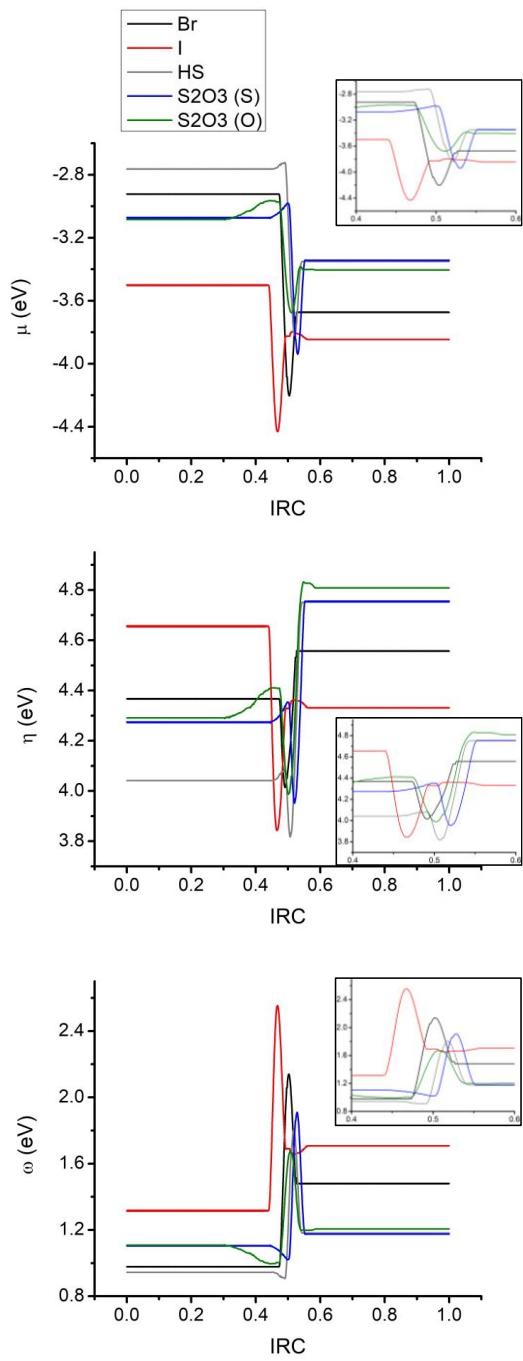
**Figure S4.** Reaction force work 1 and 2 for the nucleophilic substitution reaction of acetochlor.



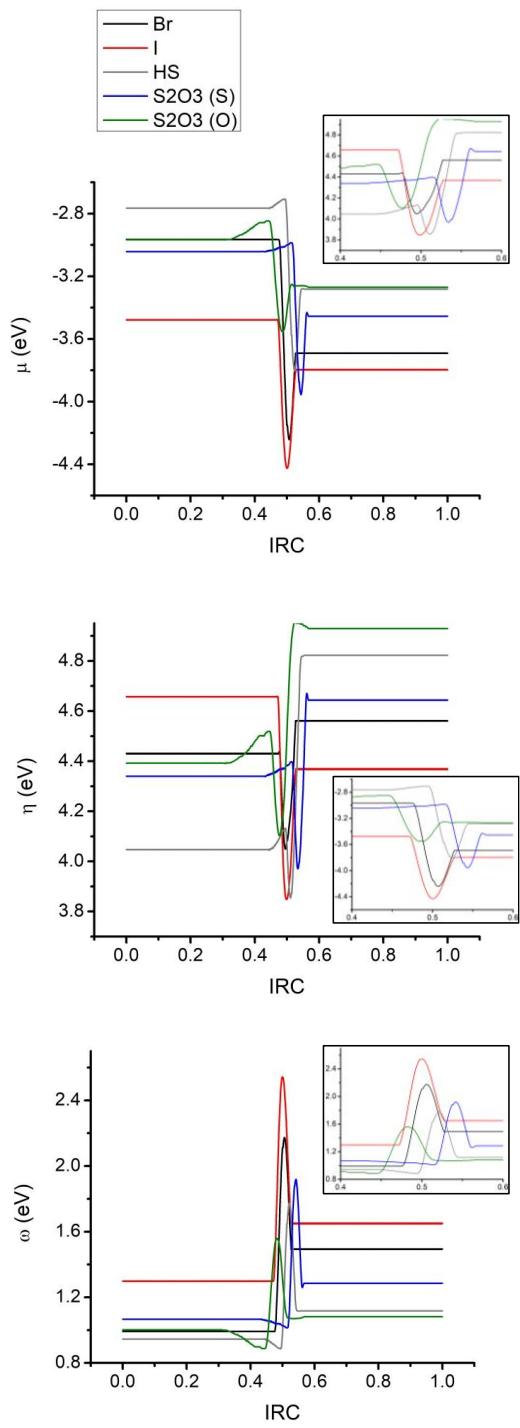
**Figure S5.** Reaction force work 1 and 2 for the nucleophilic substitution reaction of metolachlor.



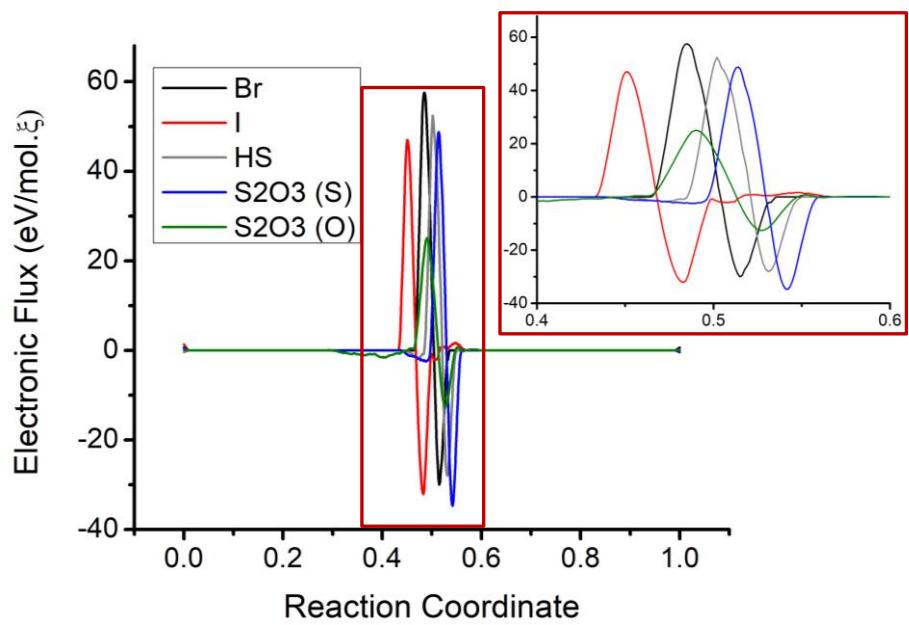
**Figure S6.**  $\mu$ ,  $\eta$ , and  $\omega$  plots for the nucleophilic substitution of alachlor (a) and propachlor (b).



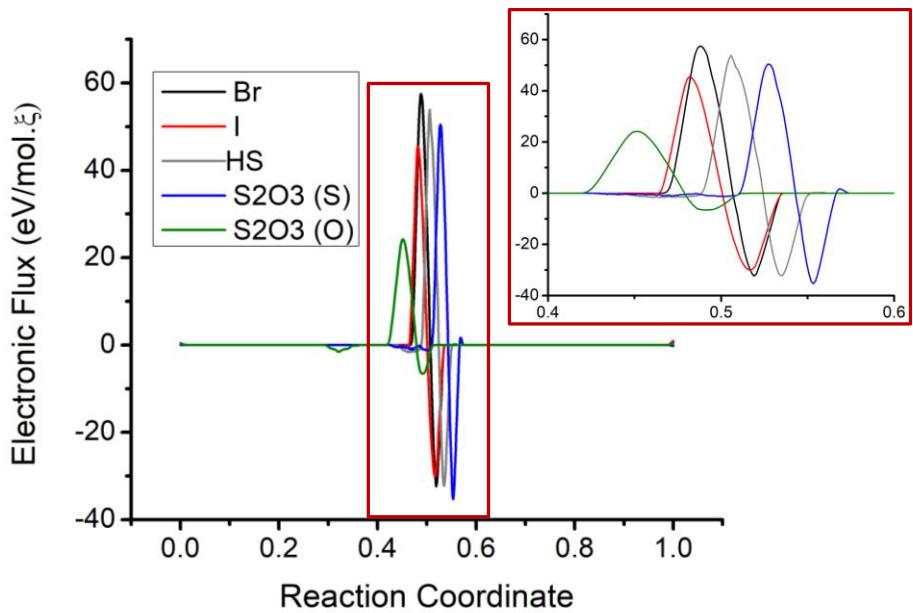
**Figure S7.**  $\mu$ ,  $\eta$ , and  $\omega$  plots for the nucleophilic substitution of acetochlor.



**Figure S8.**  $\mu$ ,  $\eta$ , and  $\omega$  plots for the nucleophilic substitution of metolachlor.



**Figure S9.** REF plots for the nucleophilic substitution of acetochlor.



**Figure S10.** REF plots for the nucleophilic substitution of metolachlor.

**Table S6.** Charge analysis of the nucleophilic attack mechanism of Acetochlor

<b>Nucleophile</b>		<b>C1</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>Nu</b>
<b>Br</b>	<i>R</i>	-0.123	-0.397	-1.000
	<i>TS</i>	-0.577	-0.330	-0.576
	<i>P</i>	-1.000	-0.489	-0.034
	$\delta Q_i$	0.454	-0.067	-0.424
<b>I<sup>-</sup></b>	<i>R</i>	-0.123	-0.397	-1.000
	<i>TS</i>	-0.622	-0.382	-0.500
	<i>P</i>	-1.000	-0.630	0.108
	$\delta Q_i$	0.499	-0.015	-0.500
<b>HS<sup>-</sup></b>	<i>R</i>	-0.123	-0.397	-1.108
	<i>TS</i>	-0.509	-0.356	-0.744
	<i>P</i>	-1.000	-0.557	-0.121
	$\delta Q_i$	0.386	-0.041	-0.364
<b>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup> (S)</b>	<i>R</i>	-0.123	-0.397	-0.843
	<i>TS</i>	-0.541	-0.356	-0.545
	<i>P</i>	-1.000	-0.584	-0.089
	$\delta Q_i$	0.418	-0.041	-0.298
<b>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup> (O)</b>	<i>R</i>	-0.123	-0.397	-1.125
	<i>TS</i>	-0.606	-0.183	-0.981
	<i>P</i>	-1.000	-0.131	-0.794
	$\delta Q_i$	0.483	-0.214	-0.144

**Table S7.** Charge analysis of the nucleophilic attack mechanism of Alachlor

<b>Nucleophile</b>		<b>C1</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>Nu</b>
<b>Br</b>	<i>R</i>	-0.123	-0.396	-1.000
	<i>TS</i>	-0.578	-0.329	-0.576
	<i>P</i>	-1.000	-0.488	-0.033
	$\delta Q_i$	0.455	-0.067	-0.424
<b>I<sup>-</sup></b>	<i>R</i>	-0.123	-0.396	-1.000
	<i>TS</i>	-0.621	-0.381	-0.500
	<i>P</i>	-1.000	-0.629	0.108
	$\delta Q_i$	0.498	-0.015	-0.500
<b>HS<sup>-</sup></b>	<i>R</i>	-0.123	-0.396	-1.108

	<i>TS</i>	-0.497	-0.357	-0.746
	<i>P</i>	-1.000	-0.558	-0.120
	$\delta Q_i$	0.374	-0.039	-0.362
<b>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup> (S)</b>	<i>R</i>	-0.123	-0.396	-0.843
	<i>TS</i>	-0.539	-0.354	-0.544
	<i>P</i>	-1.000	-0.584	-0.089
	$\delta Q_i$	0.416	-0.042	-0.299
<b>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup> (O)</b>	<i>R</i>	-0.123	-0.396	-1.125
	<i>TS</i>	-0.607	-0.181	-0.981
	<i>P</i>	-1.000	-0.131	-0.794
	$\delta Q_i$	0.484	-0.215	-0.144

**Table S8.** Charge analysis of the nucleophilic attack mechanism of Metolachlor

<b>Nucleophile</b>		<b>Cl</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>Nu</b>
<b>Br<sup>-</sup></b>	<i>R</i>	-0.124	-0.391	-1.000
	<i>TS</i>	-0.586	-0.325	-0.569
	<i>P</i>	-1.000	-0.483	-0.035
	$\delta Q_i$	0.462	-0.066	-0.431
<b>I<sup>-</sup></b>	<i>R</i>	-0.124	-0.391	-1.000
	<i>TS</i>	-0.629	-0.375	-0.497
	<i>P</i>	-1.000	-0.624	0.107
	$\delta Q_i$	0.505	-0.016	-0.503
<b>HS<sup>-</sup></b>	<i>R</i>	-0.124	-0.391	-1.108
	<i>TS</i>	-0.511	-0.349	-0.737
	<i>P</i>	-1.000	-0.552	-0.122
	$\delta Q_i$	0.387	-0.042	-0.371
<b>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup> (S)</b>	<i>R</i>	-0.124	-0.391	-0.843
	<i>TS</i>	-0.555	-0.349	-0.551
	<i>P</i>	-1.000	-0.579	-0.088
	$\delta Q_i$	0.431	-0.042	-0.292
<b>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup> (O)</b>	<i>R</i>	-0.124	-0.391	-1.125
	<i>TS</i>	-0.616	-0.179	-0.989
	<i>P</i>	-1.000	-0.129	-0.794
	$\delta Q_i$	0.492	-0.212	-0.136

**Table S9.** Charge analysis of the nucleophilic attack mechanism of Propachlor

<b>Nucleophile</b>		<b>C1</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>Nu</b>
<b>Br</b>	<i>R</i>	-0.128	-0.394	-1.000
	<i>TS</i>	-0.586	-0.321	-0.581
	<i>P</i>	-1.000	-0.486	-0.040
	$\delta Q_i$	0.458	-0.073	-0.419
<b>I<sup>-</sup></b>	<i>R</i>	-0.128	-0.394	-1.000
	<i>TS</i>	-0.631	-0.372	-0.503
	<i>P</i>	-1.000	-0.633	0.098
	$\delta Q_i$	0.503	-0.022	-0.497
<b>HS<sup>-</sup></b>	<i>R</i>	-0.128	-0.394	-1.108
	<i>TS</i>	-0.509	-0.345	-0.740
	<i>P</i>	-1.000	-0.556	-0.123
	$\delta Q_i$	0.381	-0.049	-0.368
<b>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup> (S)</b>	<i>R</i>	-0.128	-0.394	-0.843
	<i>TS</i>	-0.561	-0.345	-0.548
	<i>P</i>	-1.000	-0.583	-0.090
	$\delta Q_i$	0.433	-0.049	-0.295
<b>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup> (O)</b>	<i>R</i>	-0.128	-0.394	-1.125
	<i>TS</i>	-0.623	-0.174	-0.987
	<i>P</i>	-1.000	-0.130	-0.793
	$\delta Q_i$	0.495	-0.220	-0.138

**Table S10.** Wiberg bond indexes (Bi), evolution percent, synchronicity (Sy) and average value (%Evav) for the nucleophilic substitution of acetochlor

		<b>Wiberg bond index (Bi)</b>	<b>Sy</b>	<b>%Evav</b>
<b>Br</b>		$B_{(C-Cl)}$	$B_{(C-Nu)}$	
	<i>R</i>	0.979	0.000	
	<i>TS</i>	0.453	0.437	0.904
	<i>P</i>	0.000	0.987	48.9
<b>I<sup>-</sup></b>	$\%Evi$	53.67	44.23	
		$B_{(C-Cl)}$	$B_{(C-Nu)}$	
	<i>R</i>	0.979	0.000	
	<i>TS</i>	0.384	0.513	0.928
	<i>P</i>	0.000	0.974	56.7
	$\%Evi$	60.80	52.61	

		$B_{(C-Cl)}$	$B_{(C-Nu)}$		
<b>HS<sup>-</sup></b>	<i>R</i>	0.979	0.000		
	<i>TS</i>	0.528	0.376	0.897	41.8
	<i>P</i>	0.000	1.003		
	% <i>Evi</i>	46.09	37.46		
<b>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup> (S)</b>	<i>R</i>	0.979	0.000		
	<i>TS</i>	0.489	0.398	0.892	45.2
	<i>P</i>	0.000	0.987		
	% <i>Evi</i>	50.08	40.35		
<b>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup> (O)</b>	<i>R</i>	0.979	0.000		
	<i>TS</i>	0.460	0.331	0.839	45.7
	<i>P</i>	0.000	0.863		
	% <i>Evi</i>	53.03	38.32		

**Table S11.**Wiberg bond indexes (Bi), evolution percent, synchronicity (Sy) and average value (%Evav) for the nucleophilic substitution of alachlor

		<b>Wiberg bond index (Bi)</b>	<b>Sy</b>	<b>%Evav</b>
<b>Br<sup>-</sup></b>	<i>R</i>	$B_{(C-Cl)}$	$B_{(C-Nu)}$	
	<i>TS</i>	0.978	0.000	
	<i>P</i>	0.452	0.438	0.904
	% <i>Evi</i>	0.000	0.987	49.1
<b>I<sup>-</sup></b>	<i>R</i>	$B_{(C-Cl)}$	$B_{(C-Nu)}$	
	<i>TS</i>	0.978	0.000	
	<i>P</i>	0.383	0.513	0.928
	% <i>Evi</i>	0.000	0.974	56.8
<b>HS<sup>-</sup></b>	<i>R</i>	$B_{(C-Cl)}$	$B_{(C-Nu)}$	
	<i>TS</i>	44.93	36.69	
	<i>P</i>	0.539	0.368	0.899
	% <i>Evi</i>	0.000	1.002	40.8
<b>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup> (S)</b>	<i>R</i>	$B_{(C-Cl)}$	$B_{(C-Nu)}$	
	<i>TS</i>	0.978	0.000	0.892
		0.490	0.397	45.0

	<i>P</i>	0.000	0.987		
	% <i>Evi</i>	49.92	40.18		
		$B_{(C-Cl)}$	$B_{(C-Nu)}$		
	<i>R</i>	0.978	0.000		
<b>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup> (O)</b>	<i>TS</i>	0.459	0.331	0.839	45.8
	<i>P</i>	0.000	0.862		
	% <i>Evi</i>	53.11	38.40		

**Table S12.**Wiberg bond indexes (Bi), evolution percent, synchronicity (Sy) and average value (%Evav) for the nucleophilic substitution of metolachlor

		Wiberg bond index (Bi)		Sy	%Evav
<b>Br</b>		$B_{(C-Cl)}$	$B_{(C-Nu)}$		
	<i>R</i>	0.976	0.000		
	<i>TS</i>	0.441	0.446	0.904	50.0
	<i>P</i>	0.000	0.985		
<b>I<sup>-</sup></b>	% <i>Evi</i>	54.84	45.21		
		$B_{(C-Cl)}$	$B_{(C-Nu)}$		
	<i>R</i>	0.976	0.000		
	<i>TS</i>	0.377	0.517	0.928	57.3
<b>HS<sup>-</sup></b>	<i>P</i>	0.000	0.973		
	% <i>Evi</i>	61.40	53.14		
		$B_{(C-Cl)}$	$B_{(C-Nu)}$		
	<i>R</i>	0.976	0.000		
<b>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup> (S)</b>	<i>TS</i>	0.525	0.377	0.898	42.0
	<i>P</i>	0.000	1.001		
	% <i>Evi</i>	46.26	37.67		
		$B_{(C-Cl)}$	$B_{(C-Nu)}$		
<b>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup> (O)</b>	<i>R</i>	0.976	0.000		
	<i>TS</i>	0.474	0.410	0.893	46.5
	<i>P</i>	0.000	0.986		
	% <i>Evi</i>	51.48	41.52		
		$B_{(C-Cl)}$	$B_{(C-Nu)}$		
	<i>R</i>	0.976	0.000		
	<i>TS</i>	0.446	0.333	0.832	46.5
	<i>P</i>	0.000	0.860		
	% <i>Evi</i>	54.28	38.65		

**Table S13.** Wiberg bond indexes (Bi), evolution percent, synchronicity (Sy) and average value (%Evav) for the nucleophilic substitution of propachlor

		Wiberg bond index (Bi)		Sy	%Evav
<b>Br</b>	<i>R</i>	$B_{(C-Cl)}$	$B_{(C-Nu)}$		
	<i>TS</i>	0.978	0.000		
	<i>P</i>	0.450	0.438	0.903	49.2
	<i>%Evi</i>	0.000	0.987		
<b>I-</b>	<i>R</i>	$B_{(C-Cl)}$	$B_{(C-Nu)}$		
	<i>TS</i>	0.978	0.000		
	<i>P</i>	0.381	0.512	0.917	56.4
	<i>%Evi</i>	0.000	0.991		
<b>HS-</b>	<i>R</i>	$B_{(C-Cl)}$	$B_{(C-Nu)}$		
	<i>TS</i>	0.978	0.000		
	<i>P</i>	0.532	0.370	0.895	41.2
	<i>%Evi</i>	0.000	1.004		
<b>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup> (S)</b>	<i>R</i>	$B_{(C-Cl)}$	$B_{(C-Nu)}$		
	<i>TS</i>	0.978	0.000		
	<i>P</i>	0.475	0.409	0.892	46.4
	<i>%Evi</i>	0.000	0.989		
<b>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-2</sup> (O)</b>	<i>R</i>	$B_{(C-Cl)}$	$B_{(C-Nu)}$		
	<i>TS</i>	0.978	0.000		
	<i>P</i>	0.447	0.334	0.833	46.5
	<i>%Evi</i>	0.000	0.862		
		<i>%Evi</i>	54.24	38.73	