

***Ab initio* calculation of the migration free energy of oxygen diffusion in pure and samarium-doped ceria**

Supplemental Material

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Migration edge	Initial state (Å)	Transition state (Å)
Ce-Ce	4.076	4.237
	4.098	4.249
	4.116	4.257
Ce-Sm	4.066	4.235
	4.089	4.246
	4.107	4.254
Sm-Sm	4.059	4.231
	4.083	4.244
	4.102	4.256

Table S1: Distances between migration-edge atoms in relaxed structures using in QHA calculations.

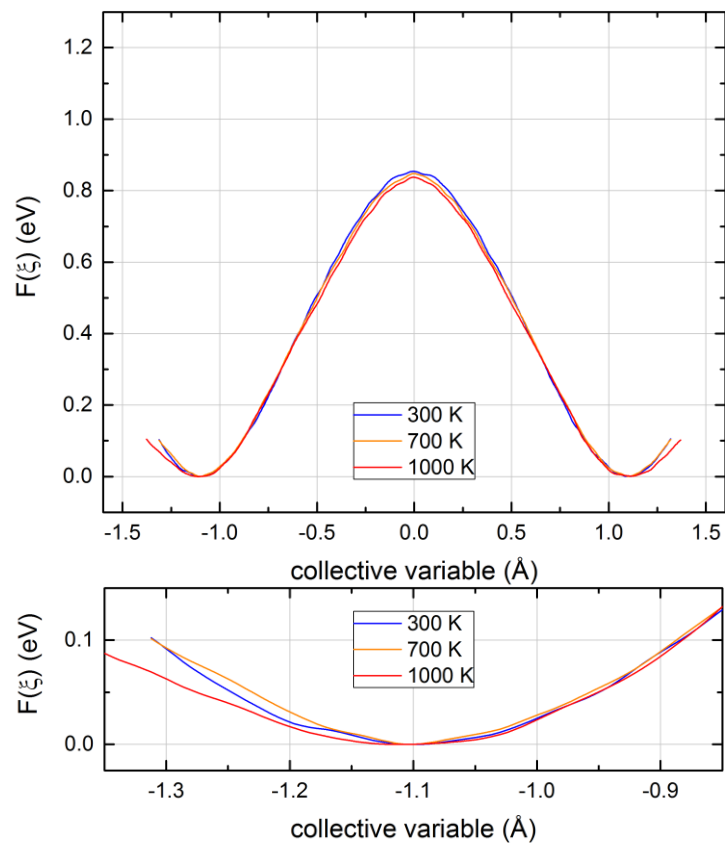


Figure S1: Free energy profiles for the jump of a migrating oxygen ion for the Ce-Sm edge for different temperatures, $T = 300$ K, 700 K and 1000 K. In the bottom figure, an excerpt of the upper data is shown.

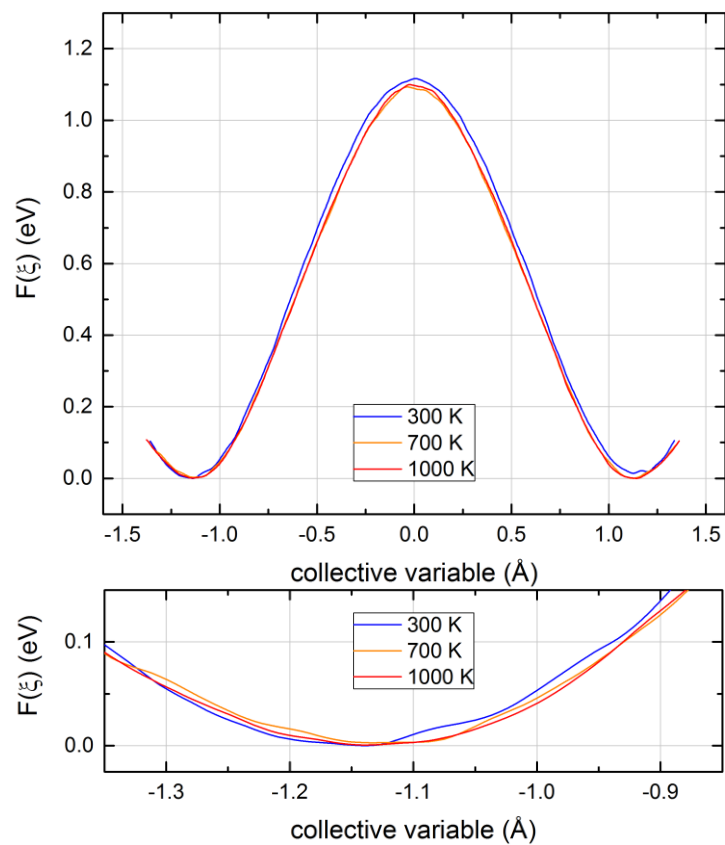


Figure S2: Free energy profiles for the jump of a migrating oxygen ion for the Sm-Sm edge for different temperatures, $T = 300$ K, 700 K and 1000 K. In the bottom figure, an excerpt of the upper data is shown.

In this section, we provide histograms for the reaction coordinate ξ , which were computed using molecular dynamics for the reactant configuration of the oxygen ion migration in pure and doped ceria. The values of $P(\xi) = \frac{\langle \delta(\xi_a - \xi) \rangle}{\langle \theta(\xi_b - \xi) \rangle}$ were used in our free-energy calculations discussed in Section 4.3 in the main text.

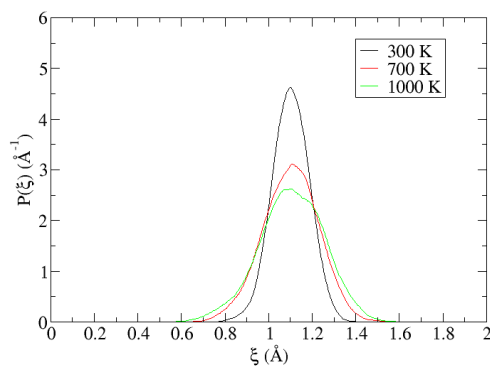


Figure S3: Probability density for the reaction coordinate (ξ) computed for the reactant configuration of the Ce-Sm edge.

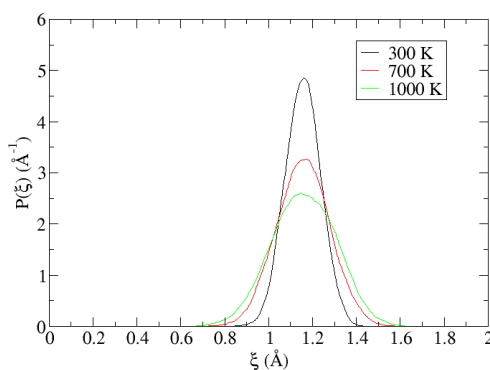


Figure S4: Probability density for the reaction coordinate (ξ) computed for the reactant configuration of the Sm-Sm edge.