

Supporting Information for the manuscript

**Stabilities and Reconstructions of Clean PbS and PbSe Surfaces:  
DFT Results and the Role of Dispersion Forces**

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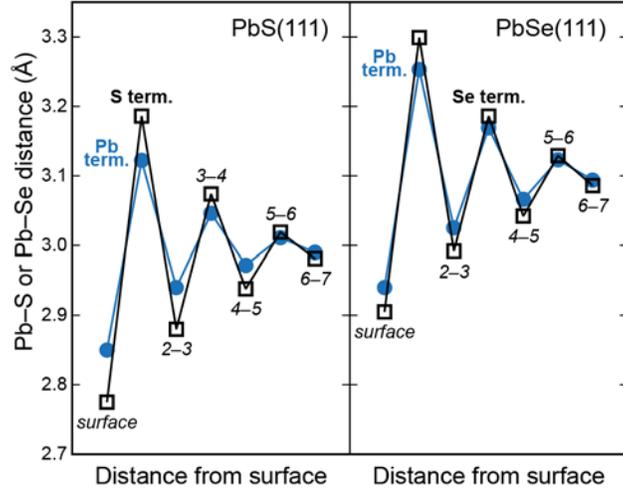
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**Table S1** (as supplement to Table 3 in the main text): Surface Energies of Pristine and Reconstructed PbS and PbSe (111) Surfaces at the DFT-PBE Level of Theory

		$\gamma$ (meV $\text{\AA}^{-2}$ ), PBE			
		<b>PbS</b>		<b>PbSe</b>	
	term.	Pb poor <sup>a</sup>	Pb rich <sup>b</sup>	Pb poor <sup>c</sup>	Pb rich <sup>b</sup>
pristine	Pb	90	55	84	49
	S/Se	51	87	39	74
SV	Pb	45	27	43	26
	S/Se	38	55	32	49
MgO	Pb	72	54	69	51
	S/Se	67	85	57	74
2×1	Pb	22	22	20	20
	S/Se	27	27	26	26
oct	Pb	21	21	21	21
	S/Se	21	21	20	20

<sup>a</sup>Defined as  $\mu_{\text{Pb}} = E_{\text{PbS}}^{(\text{bulk})} - E_{\text{S}}^{(\text{bulk})}$ . <sup>b</sup>In both cases, defined as  $\mu_{\text{Pb}} = E_{\text{Pb}}^{(\text{bulk})}$ .

<sup>c</sup>Here,  $\mu_{\text{Pb}} = E_{\text{PbSe}}^{(\text{bulk})} - E_{\text{Se}}^{(\text{bulk})}$ .



**Figure S2** (as supplement to Figure 3 in the main text): Course of Pb–S and Pb–Se bond lengths near the relaxed, pristine (111) surfaces. Results at the PBE level of theory are shown.

**Table S2** (as supplement to Table 4 in the main text): Structural Properties of Reconstructed PbS and PbSe (111) Surfaces at the PBE Level of Theory<sup>a</sup>

			$d_1$ (Å)	$d_2$ (Å)	$d_3$ (Å)
<b>PbS</b>	(2×1)	Pb-term.	2.65	2.77	—
		S-term.	2.63	2.78	—
	oct.	Pb-term.	2.72	2.82	2.85
		S-term.	2.73	2.77	2.95
<b>PbSe</b>	(2×1)	Pb-term.	2.78	2.89	—
		Se-term.	2.78	2.91	—
	oct.	Pb-term.	2.84	2.95	2.96
		Se-term.	2.86	2.89	3.07

<sup>a</sup>The parameters  $d_1$ ,  $d_2$ , and  $d_3$  are defined in Figure 4 in the main text.