

# Electronic Supplementary Information for "Halogen transfer through halogen bonds in halogen-bound ammonia homodimers"

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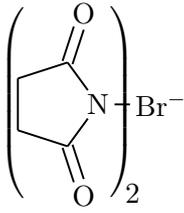
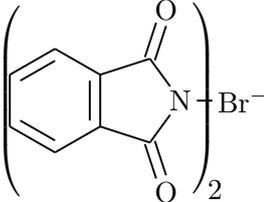
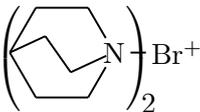
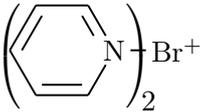
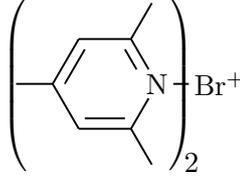
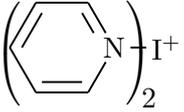
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Table S1: Covalent[3] and van der Waals[2] radii for the elements relevant to this work.

Element	$r_{cov}/\text{\AA}$	$r_{vdw}/\text{\AA}$
H	0.31	1.20
C	0.76	1.70
N	0.71	1.55
F	0.57	1.47
Cl	1.02	1.75
Br	1.20	1.85
I	1.39	1.98

Table S2: X-Ray structural parameters for compounds containing an N-X-N atom arrangement (X = Br or I). Bond distances in Å and bond angles in degrees.

	$d(\text{N-X})$	$\angle\text{NXN}$	ref
	2.110	177.3	[5]
	2.105	176.0	[6]
	2.156 <sup>a</sup> 2.120	180	[1]
	2.075 <sup>a</sup> 2.107	178.4	[8]
	2.143 <sup>a</sup> 2.186	176.3	[8]
$(\text{H}_3\text{CCN})_2\text{I}^+$	2.198	180.0	[4]
	2.16		[7]

<sup>a</sup>Non-symmetric N-X-N atom arrangement

Table S3: Cartesian coordinates of the optimized geometries of ammonia, N-haloamines ( $\text{NH}_2\text{X}$ ) and their corresponding protonated forms ( $\text{NH}_3\text{X}^+$ , X = F, Cl, Br, I) at the MP2(full)/aug-cc-pVTZ-PP level of theory.

$\text{NH}_3$	x	y	z				
N	0.00000	0.00000	0.11248				
H	0.00000	0.93725	-0.26245				
H	-0.81168	-0.46862	-0.26245				
H	0.81168	-0.46862	-0.26245				
$\text{H}_2\text{NF}$				$\text{H}_3\text{NF}^+$			
N	-0.06454	0.68693	0.00000	N	0.00000	0.00000	-0.59433
F	-0.06454	-0.73214	0.00000	F	0.00000	0.00000	0.76346
H	0.51632	0.89037	0.80715	H	0.00000	0.97828	-0.90362
H	0.51632	0.89037	-0.80715	H	-0.84722	-0.48914	-0.90362
				H	0.84722	-0.48914	-0.90362
$\text{H}_2\text{NCl}$				$\text{H}_3\text{NCl}^+$			
N	-0.04299	1.11908	0.00000	N	1.05212	0.00000	0.00000
Cl	-0.04299	-0.62150	0.00000	Cl	-0.67826	0.00000	0.00000
H	0.51582	1.36596	0.80858	H	1.38856	0.83765	-0.48079
H	0.51582	1.36596	-0.80858	H	1.38856	-0.83520	-0.48504
				H	1.38855	-0.00245	0.96582
$\text{H}_2\text{NBr}$				$\text{H}_3\text{NBr}^+$			
N	-0.02559	1.47852	0.00000	N	0.45229	0.24081	1.34323
Br	-0.02559	-0.39412	0.00000	Br	-0.13837	-0.07368	-0.41095
H	0.53741	1.72234	0.80708	H	-0.34673	0.22403	1.97838
H	0.53741	1.72234	-0.80708	H	0.90617	1.15402	1.38978
				H	1.11760	-0.48513	1.61245
$\text{H}_2\text{NI}$				$\text{H}_3\text{NI}^+$			
N	-0.01815	1.75109	0.00000	N	0.00000	0.00000	-1.74468
I	-0.01815	-0.30680	0.00000	I	0.00000	0.00000	0.34896
H	0.54438	2.00145	0.80678	H	0.00000	0.95773	-2.09395
H	0.54438	2.00145	-0.80678	H	0.82942	-0.47887	-2.09395
				H	-0.82942	-0.47887	-2.09395

Table S4: Cartesian coordinates of the optimized geometries of ammonia-haloamine complexes ( $[\text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{X}\cdots\text{NH}_3]$ ,  $\text{X} = \text{F}, \text{Cl}, \text{Br}, \text{I}$ ) at the MP2(full)/aug-cc-pVTZ-PP level of theory.

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$\text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{Cl}\cdots\text{NH}_3$				
N	-2.10883	0.00001	0.24788	
H	-2.46988	0.80753	-0.24659	
H	-2.46989	-0.80752	-0.24658	
Cl	-0.40342	-0.00001	-0.12026	
N	2.57716	0.00000	0.00041	
H	2.50688	-0.81110	0.59782	
H	2.50682	0.81109	0.59783	
H	3.50581	0.00004	-0.39605	
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$\text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{Br}\cdots\text{NH}_3$				
N	0.17762	2.09375	0.00000	
H	-0.35835	2.39563	0.80553	
H	-0.35835	2.39563	-0.80553	
Br	0.00000	0.21578	0.00000	
N	-0.06289	-2.58920	0.00000	
H	0.43910	-2.91597	-0.81300	
H	-0.96459	-3.04362	0.00000	
H	0.43910	-2.91597	0.81300	
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$\text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{I}\cdots\text{NH}_3$				
N	2.21204	0.00001	-0.12026	
H	2.50555	0.80522	0.42234	
H	2.50556	-0.80519	0.42234	
I	0.14008	0.00000	-0.00152	
N	-2.68152	0.00001	0.01065	
H	-3.07310	-0.00093	0.94176	
H	-3.03785	0.81489	-0.46846	
H	-3.03778	-0.81395	-0.47007	
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Table S5: Cartesian coordinates of the optimized geometries of halogen-bound ammonia homodimers ( $[\text{H}_3\text{NXNH}_3]^+$ , X = F, Cl, Br, I) at the MP2(full)/aug-cc-pVTZ-PP level of theory.

$[\text{H}_3\text{NXNH}_3]^+$	x	y	z
$[\text{H}_3\text{N}-\text{F}\cdots\text{NH}_3]^+$			
N	-0.86556	-0.96663	-1.26417
H	-1.62612	-0.38569	-1.62952
H	-0.18637	-1.19544	-1.99613
H	-1.22621	-1.81238	-0.81244
F	-0.21265	-0.23748	-0.31058
N	1.04448	1.16644	1.52549
H	1.43666	2.02662	1.16574
H	1.81782	0.66688	1.94447
H	0.44563	1.43863	2.29388
$[\text{H}_3\text{N}-\text{F}-\text{NH}_3]^+$			
N	1.79887	0.00000	0.00000
H	2.01642	0.75274	-0.63952
H	2.01642	0.17747	0.97165
H	2.01642	-0.93021	-0.33214
F	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
N	-1.79887	0.00000	0.00000
H	-2.01642	0.93021	0.33213
H	-2.01642	-0.75274	0.63952
H	-2.01642	-0.17747	-0.97165
$[\text{H}_3\text{N}-\text{Cl}-\text{NH}_3]^+$			
N	0.00000	0.00000	-1.99905
H	0.83924	-0.46299	-2.33149
H	-0.82058	-0.49531	-2.33149
H	-0.01866	0.95829	-2.33149
Cl	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
N	0.00000	0.00000	1.99905
H	0.82057	0.49531	2.33149
H	0.01867	-0.95829	2.33149
H	-0.83924	0.46298	2.33149
$[\text{H}_3\text{N}-\text{Br}-\text{NH}_3]^+$			
N	0.00000	0.00000	2.10331
H	0.00003	0.95382	2.44861
H	-0.82605	-0.47689	2.44861
H	0.82602	-0.47694	2.44861
Br	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
N	0.00000	0.00000	-2.10331
H	0.82605	-0.47689	-2.44861
H	-0.00003	0.95382	-2.44861
H	-0.82602	-0.47694	-2.44861

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$[\text{H}_3\text{N-X-NH}_3]^+$	x	y	z
$[\text{H}_3\text{N-I-NH}_3]^+$			
N	0.00000	0.00000	2.27997
H	-0.47416	0.82136	2.64111
H	-0.47424	-0.82132	2.64111
H	0.94840	-0.00004	2.64111
I	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
N	0.00000	0.00000	-2.27997
H	0.47416	0.82136	-2.64111
H	0.47424	-0.82132	-2.64111
H	-0.94840	-0.00004	-2.64111

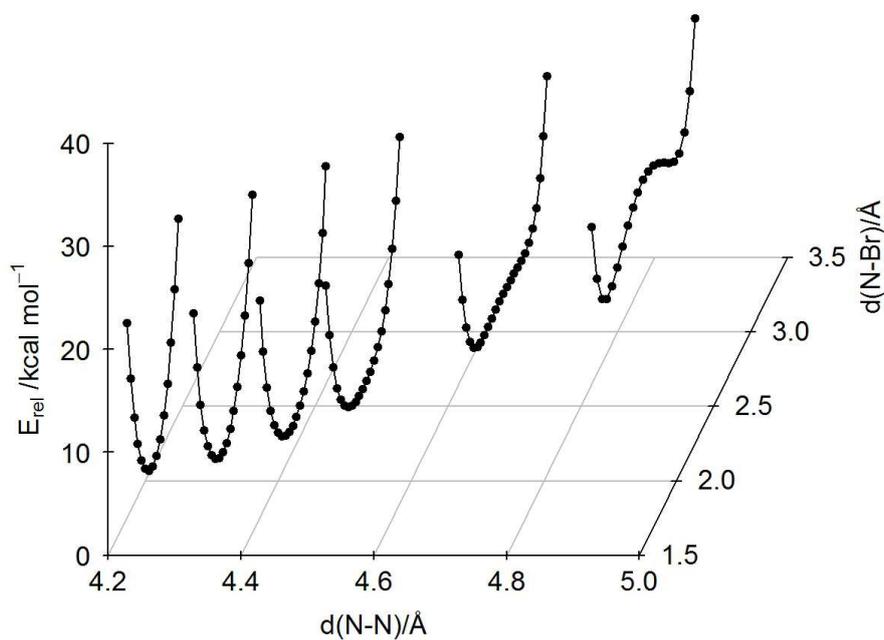


Figure S1: Energy profile for bromine transfer between nitrogen atoms in the  $[\text{H}_3\text{NBrNH}_3]^+$  homodimer.

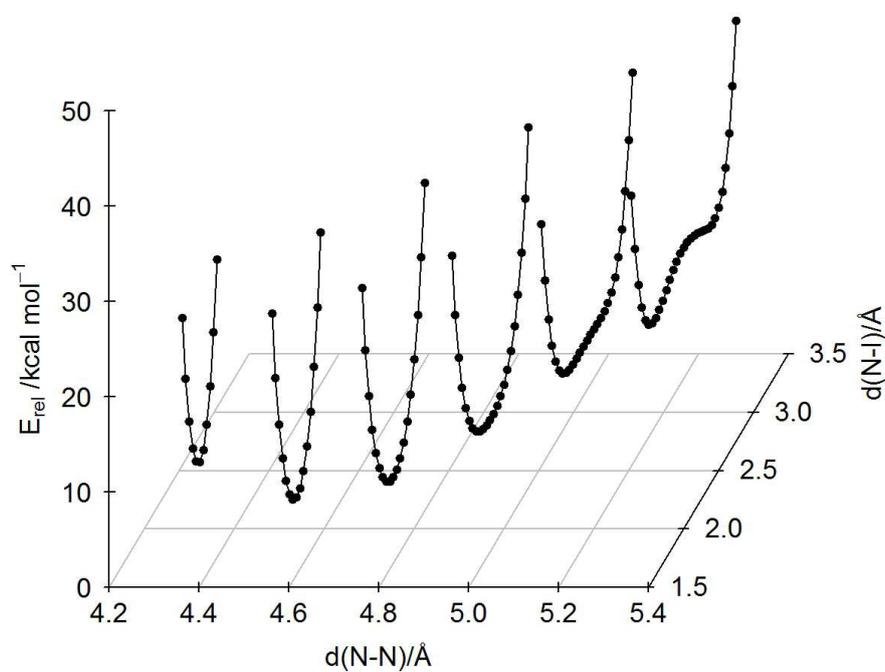


Figure S2: Energy profile for iodine transfer between nitrogen atoms in the  $[\text{H}_3\text{NINH}_3]^+$  homodimer.

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