

Electronic Supplementary Information

Photodissociation of $\text{C}_2\text{F}_4\text{I}_2$ in solid *para*-hydrogen: infrared spectrum of *anti*- and *gauche*- $\bullet\text{C}_2\text{F}_4\text{I}$ radicals

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Comparisons of observed vibrational wavenumbers and IR intensities of *anti*- and *gauche*- $\text{CF}_2\text{ICF}_2\text{I}$ with those calculated with the B3PW91/aug-cc-pVTZ-pp method are presented in Tables S1 and S2, respectively. Vibrational wavenumbers and IR intensities of *bridged*- $\text{C}_2\text{F}_4\text{I}$ calculated with the B3PW91/aug-cc-pVTZ-pp method are presented in Table S3. Mixing ratios (in ppm) of *anti*- $\text{CF}_2\text{ICF}_2\text{I}$, *gauche*- $\text{CF}_2\text{ICF}_2\text{I}$, *anti*- $\bullet\text{C}_2\text{F}_4\text{I}$, *gauche*- $\bullet\text{C}_2\text{F}_4\text{I}$, and C_2F_4 at various stages of different experiments are listed in Table S4. The vertical excitation energies and oscillator strengths of *anti*- $\text{CF}_2\text{ICF}_2\text{I}$, *gauche*- $\text{CF}_2\text{ICF}_2\text{I}$, *anti*- $\bullet\text{C}_2\text{F}_4\text{I}$, and *gauche*- $\bullet\text{C}_2\text{F}_4\text{I}$ calculated with the CAM-B3LYP/aug-cc-pVTZ-pp method are presented in Table S5.

Geometries of *anti*- and *gauche*- $\text{CF}_2\text{ICF}_2\text{I}$ conformers optimized with the B3PW91/aug-cc-pVTZ-pp method are presented in Fig. S1. Relaxed energy profiles for the internal rotation of $\text{CF}_2\text{ICF}_2\text{I}$ calculated with the B3PW91/aug-cc-pVTZ-pp method is presented in Fig. S2. Linear fit of experimental wavenumbers versus harmonic vibrational wavenumbers of $\text{CF}_2\text{ICF}_2\text{I}$ calculated with the B3PW91/aug-cc-pVTZ-pp method is presented in Fig. S3. Normalized partial difference spectra of a matrix $\text{CF}_2\text{ICF}_2\text{I}/p\text{-H}_2$ in the range 1350–1230 cm^{-1} recorded after irradiation of the matrix with light near 300, 280, and 265 nm are presented in Fig. S4.

Table S1 Comparison of observed vibrational wavenumbers and IR intensities of *anti*-CF₂ICF₂I (C_{2h}) with those calculated with the B3PW91/aug-cc-pVTZ-pp method

Mode ^a	Sym.	<i>p</i> -H ₂		Solution ^{c,d}		Harmonic ^e		Anharmonic		PED (%) ^{f,g}
		v /cm ⁻¹	Int. ^b	v /cm ⁻¹	v ^{sc} /cm ⁻¹	v /cm ⁻¹	Int. /km mol ⁻¹	v /cm ⁻¹	Int. /km mol ⁻¹	
v ₁	A _g			1224	1237	0	1217	0	-vF ₁ C ₁ (11) - vF ₂ C ₁ (11) - vF ₃ C ₂ (11) - vF ₄ C ₂ (11) + vC ₁ C ₂ (37)	
v ₂	A _u	1167.0	30	1159 ^b /1169 ^c	1176	1188	257	1168	250	-vF ₁ C ₁ (25) + vF ₂ C ₁ (25) - vF ₃ C ₁ (25) + vF ₄ C ₂ (25)
v ₃	B _g			1166	1178	0	1156	0	-vF ₁ C ₁ (19) + vF ₂ C ₁ (19) + vF ₃ C ₂ (19) - vF ₄ C ₂ (19)	
v ₄	B _u	1116.7	31	1109 ^b /1116 ^c	1125	1135	316	1123	311	-vF ₁ C ₁ (21) - vF ₂ C ₁ (21) + vF ₃ C ₂ (21) + vF ₄ C ₂ (21)
v ₅	A _g			995–997 ^b	965	971	0	958	0	-vC ₁ C ₂ (17) + δF ₂ C ₁ F ₁ (20) + δF ₄ C ₂ F ₄ (20)
v ₆	B _u	707.8	100	709 ^b /709 ^c /709.6	704	702	386	697	372	-vI ₁ C ₁ (14) + vI ₂ C ₂ (14) + δI ₁ C ₁ C ₂ (24) - δI ₂ C ₂ C ₁ (24)
v ₇	A _g			670 ^b	683	681	0	681	0	vC ₁ C ₂ (11) + δF ₂ C ₁ F ₁ (12) + δF ₂ C ₁ F ₄ (12)
v ₈	B _u	574.9	1	575 ^b /584 ^c	585	580	4	579	4	-δF ₂ C ₁ F ₁ (37) + δF ₄ C ₂ F ₃ (37)
v ₉	B _g			524	517	0	515	0	-γF ₃ C ₁ I ₂ C ₂ (32) + γF ₁ C ₂ I ₁ C ₁ (32)	
v ₁₀	A _g			373	362	0	361	0	-vC ₁ C ₂ (25) + δF ₂ C ₁ F ₁ (31) + δF ₄ C ₂ F ₃ (31)	
v ₁₁	A _u			299	286	0	285	0	-vI ₁ C ₁ (35) + vI ₂ C ₂ (35) - δI ₁ C ₁ C ₂ (10) + δI ₂ C ₂ C ₁ (10)	
v ₁₂	B _g			297	284	0	281	0	δF ₁ C ₁ I ₁ (33) + δF ₃ C ₂ I ₂ (33)	
v ₁₃	A _g	268 ^b		281	268	0	266	0	vI ₁ C ₁ (24) + vI ₂ C ₂ (24) - δI ₁ C ₁ C ₂ (13) - δI ₂ C ₂ C ₁ (13)	
v ₁₄	B _g			270	257	0	253	0	-δF ₁ C ₁ I ₁ (42) + δF ₃ C ₂ I ₂ (42)	
v ₁₅	A _u			231	216	0	211	0	-γF ₃ C ₁ I ₂ C ₂ (37) - γF ₁ C ₂ I ₁ C ₁ (37)	
v ₁₆	A _g	133 ^b		148	131	0	130	0	-vI ₁ C ₁ (20) - vI ₂ C ₂ (20) - δI ₁ C ₁ C ₂ (26) - δI ₂ C ₂ C ₁ (26)	
v ₁₇	B _u			119	101	1	101	1	-δI ₁ C ₁ C ₂ (46) + δI ₂ C ₂ C ₁ (46)	
v ₁₈	A _u			70	50	0	43	0	τI ₂ C ₂ C ₁ I ₁ (96)	

^a For ease of comparison with the other isomers, mode numbers are ordered according to vibrational wavenumbers instead of symmetry. ^b Percentage IR intensities relative to the most intense line (v₆). ^c In methanol. M. T. Messina, P. Metrangolo, W. Navarrini, S. Radice, G. Resnati, and G. Zerbi, *J. Mol. Struct.* **2000**, 524, 87. ^d In methanol. J. Liang, D. Drake, and M. Roselius, *Appl. Spectrosc.* **1994**, 48, 206. ^e v^{sc}: scaled harmonic vibrational wavenumber, with linear scaling factor: 0.9725x + 20.6; see text. ^f Terms with percentage coefficient >10 % are included; the percentage coefficients are listed in parentheses. ^g Mode description: v: stretch, δ: bend, γ: out-of-plane deformation, τ: torsion. Atomic numbering is indicated in Fig. S1.

Table S2 Comparison of observed vibrational wavenumbers and IR intensities of *gauche*-CF₂ICF₂I (*C*₂) with those calculated with the B3PW91/aug-cc-pVTZ-pp method

Mode ^a	Sym.	<i>p</i> -H ₂		Solution ^{c,d}		Harmonic ^e			Anharmonic		PED (%) ^{f,g}
		v /cm ⁻¹	Int. ^b	v /cm ⁻¹	v ^{sc} /cm ⁻¹	v /cm ⁻¹	Int. /km mol ⁻¹	v /cm ⁻¹	Int. /km mol ⁻¹		
v ₁	A	1216.1	89	1207 ^b /1215 ^c	1204	1217	231	1188	214	-vF ₁ C ₁ (13) - vF ₃ C ₂ (13) - vF ₂ C ₁ (12) - vF ₄ C ₂ (12) + vC ₁ C ₂ (31)	
v ₂	B	1154.1	94		1159	1171	246	1143	231	-vF ₁ C ₁ (40) + vF ₃ C ₂ (40)	
v ₃	A	1144.4	15		1147	1158	55	1129	49	-vF ₁ C ₁ (19) - vF ₃ C ₂ (19) + vF ₂ C ₁ (22) + vF ₄ C ₂ (22)	
v ₄	B	1083.0	16		1084	1094	35	1067	31	-vF ₂ C ₁ (34) + vF ₄ C ₂ (34)	
v ₅	A	983.7	16	974 ^b /982 ^c	970	976	247	958	239	-vF ₂ C ₁ (11) - vF ₄ C ₂ (11) - vC ₁ C ₂ (31)	
v ₆	B	841.3	100	835 ^b /841 ^c	836	838	248	827	249	-γF ₄ C ₁ F ₃ C ₂ (34) - γF ₂ C ₂ F ₂ C ₁ (34)	
v ₇	A	636.8	4		647	645	11	638	11	-vF ₁ C ₁ (11) - vF ₃ C ₂ (11) - δF ₂ C ₁ F ₁ (25) - δF ₃ C ₂ F ₄ (25)	
v ₈	B	583.2	1		593	589	15	584	14	-δF ₂ C ₁ F ₁ (32) + δF ₃ C ₂ F ₄ (32)	
v ₉	A				458	450	1	444	1	-γF ₃ C ₁ I ₂ C ₂ (28) + γF ₁ C ₂ I ₁ C ₁ (28)	
v ₁₀	A				342	331	1	326	1	-δF ₂ C ₁ F ₁ (11) + δF ₃ C ₂ F ₄ (11) + γF ₃ C ₁ I ₂ C ₂ (28) - γF ₁ C ₂ I ₁ C ₁ (28)	
v ₁₁	A				313	301	2	298	2	-vC ₁ C ₂ (14) - vC ₁ C ₂ (34) + vC ₁ I ₁ (34)	
v ₁₂	B				296	283	0	279	0	vC ₁ C ₂ (31) + vC ₁ I ₁ (31) + vC ₂ I ₂ (31)	
v ₁₃	B				292	279	0	276	0	vC ₁ C ₂ (11) + vC ₁ C ₂ (23) + vC ₁ I ₁ (23)	
v ₁₄	A				263	249	0	247	0	vC ₁ C ₂ (19) - vC ₁ I ₁ (19) + δF ₁ C ₁ I ₁ (27) + δF ₃ C ₂ I ₂ (27)	
v ₁₅	B				254	240	1	237	1	vC ₁ C ₂ (21) - vC ₁ I ₁ (21) - δF ₁ C ₁ I ₁ (14) + δF ₃ C ₂ I ₂ (14) + γF ₃ C ₁ F ₇ C ₂ (28) - γF ₁ C ₂ F ₁ C ₁ (28)	
v ₁₆	B				172	156	1	153	1	-δI ₁ C ₁ C ₂ (29) + δI ₂ C ₂ C ₁ (29) - γF ₃ C ₁ I ₂ C ₂ (14) + γF ₁ C ₂ I ₁ C ₁ (14)	
v ₁₇	A				108	90	0	87	0	δI ₁ C ₁ C ₂ (41) + δI ₂ C ₂ C ₁ (41)	
v ₁₈	A				71	52	0	46	0	τI ₂ C ₂ C ₁ I ₁ (94)	

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Table S3 Vibrational wavenumbers and IR intensities of *bridged-C₂F₄I* (*C_{2v}*) calculated with the B3PW91/aug-cc-pVTZ-pp method.

Mode ^a	Symmetry	Harmonic ^b			Anharmonic	
		v /cm ⁻¹	v ^{sc} /cm ⁻¹	Int. /km mol ⁻¹	v /cm ⁻¹	Int. /km mol ⁻¹
v ₁	A ₁	1772	1744	810	1726	730
v ₂	A ₂	1390	1373	0	1365	0
v ₃	B ₁	1384	1367	360	1354	351
v ₄	B ₂	1213	1200	322	1193	317
v ₅	A ₁	809	808	19	792	14
v ₆	B ₂	569	574	3	564	3
v ₇	A ₂	552	558	0	544	0
v ₈	B ₂	461	469	10	431	7
v ₉	A ₁	449	457	3	440	3
v ₁₀	A ₁	393	403	3	388	2
v ₁₁	B ₁	214	229	3	212	3
v ₁₂	A ₂	200	215	0	194	0
v ₁₃	B ₁	86	104	0	79	0
v ₁₄	A ₁	78	97	1	73	1
v ₁₅	B ₂	57	76	0	46	0

^a For ease of comparison with the other isomers, mode numbers are ordered according to vibrational wavenumbers instead of symmetry. ^b v^{sc}: scaled harmonic vibrational wavenumber, with linear scaling factor: 0.9725x + 20.6; see text.

Table S4 Mixing ratios (in ppm) of *anti*-CF₂ICF₂I, *gauche*-CF₂ICF₂I, *anti*-•C₂F₄I, *gauche*-•C₂F₄I, and C₂F₄ at various stages in experiments I–V.

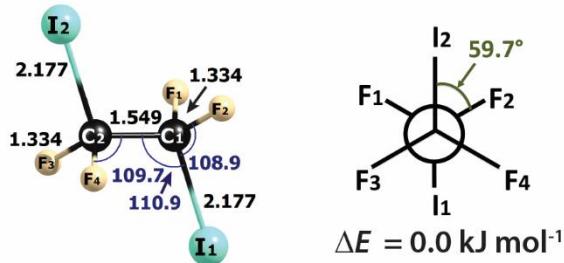
Expt.	Stage	<i>anti</i> -CF ₂ ICF ₂ I	<i>gauche</i> -CF ₂ ICF ₂ I	<i>anti</i> -•C ₂ F ₄ I	<i>gauche</i> -•C ₂ F ₄ I	C ₂ F ₄
I	Deposition (4 h)	5.90	1.01	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Irradiation (300 nm, LED, 2 h)	5.30 (-0.60)	0.99 (-0.02)	0.43	0.22	0.17
	Irradiation (300 nm, LED, 4 h)	4.84 (-1.06)	0.98 (-0.03)	0.61	0.36	0.33
II	Deposition (4.5 h)	15.50	3.77	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Irradiation (280 nm, LED, 2h)	14.44 (-1.06)	3.68 (-0.09)	1.45	0.85	0.56
	Irradiation (280 nm, LED, 4 h)	14.20 (-1.30)	3.62 (-0.15)	1.88	1.21	0.79
II	Deposition (4 h)	12.63	2.60	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Irradiation (265 nm, LED, 2 h)	12.39 (-0.24)	2.52 (-0.08)	0.13	0.21	0.23
	Irradiation (265 nm, LED, 4 h)	12.13 (-0.50)	2.47 (-0.13)	0.26	0.51	0.40
IV	Deposition (5 h)	15.11	3.56	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Irradiation (281 nm, Laser, 3 min)	11.51 (-3.60)	3.06 (-0.50)	2.53	2.95	1.88
	Irradiation (267 nm, Laser, 3 min)	11.01 (-0.50)	2.94 (-0.12)	(-0.14)	(+0.39)	(+1.39)
V	Deposition (5 h)	11.90	2.39	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Irradiation (280 nm, LED, 2h)	9.88 (-2.02)	2.26 (-0.13)	1.73	1.11	0.81
	Irradiation (265 nm, LED, 2h)	9.74 (-0.14)	2.23 (-0.03)	(-0.03)	(+0.07)	(+0.13)
	Irradiation (300 nm, LED, 2h)	7.32 (-2.42)	2.14 (-0.09)	(+0.67)	(+0.70)	(+1.53)
	Irradiation (365 nm, LED, 20 min)	7.18 (-0.14)	2.13 (-0.01)	(-1.09)	(+0.01)	(+1.04)

^a All experiments were performed on matrices with CF₂ICF₂I /p-H₂ = ~1/20 000. The smaller mixing ratio of the precursor in Experiment I is because of the lack of passivation.

Table S5 Vertical excitation energies (ΔE) and oscillator strengths (f) of the first eight singlet transitions of *anti*-CF₂ICF₂I, *gauche*-CF₂ICF₂I, *anti*-•C₂F₄I and *gauche*-•C₂F₄I calculated with the CAM-B3LYP/aug-cc-pVTZ-pp method at the B3PW91/aug-cc-pVTZ-pp optimized geometry.

Transition	<i>anti</i> -CF ₂ ICF ₂ I		<i>gauche</i> -CF ₂ ICF ₂ I		<i>anti</i> -•C ₂ F ₄ I		<i>gauche</i> -•C ₂ F ₄ I	
	ΔE /nm	$f/10^{-3}$	ΔE /nm	$f/10^{-3}$	ΔE /nm	$f/10^{-3}$	ΔE /nm	$f/10^{-3}$
S ₀ → S ₁	285	4.0	275	0.9	388	0.0	320	0.0
S ₁ → S ₂	283	0.0	269	0.1	382	0.7	317	0.0
S ₂ → S ₃	278	0.0	267	0.0	294	26.6	274	1.2
S ₃ → S ₄	273	0.0	265	0.0	276	0.0	267	0.1
S ₄ → S ₅	189	0.0	201	4.2	272	0.0	253	5.7
S ₅ → S ₆	189	605.6	200	0.7	227	180.6	251	1.6
S ₆ → S ₇	188	0.0	199	2.0	213	0.3	249	4.2
S ₇ → S ₈	186	0.4	196	11.4	210	56.1	232	0.1

(a) *anti*-CF₂ICF₂I



(b) *gauche*-CF₂ICF₂I

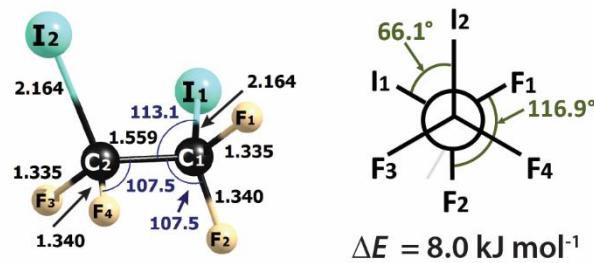


Fig. S1 Geometries of CF₂ICF₂I conformers: (a) *anti*-CF₂ICF₂I and (b) *gauche*-CF₂ICF₂I . The structures were optimized with the B3PW91/aug-cc-pVTZ-pp method; bond lengths are in Å and angles in degree.

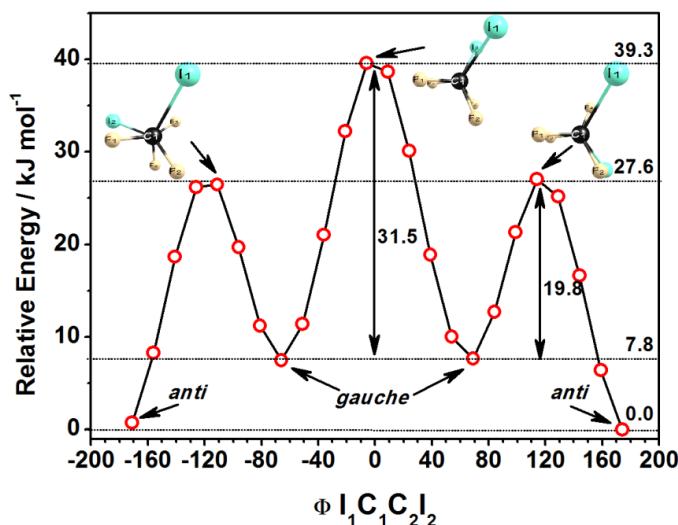


Fig. S2 Relaxed energy profiles for the internal rotation ($\Phi \text{I}_1\text{C}_1\text{C}_2\text{I}_2$) of CF₂ICF₂I calculated with the B3PW91/aug-cc-pVTZ-pp method; the open circles denote energies of the optimized structures.

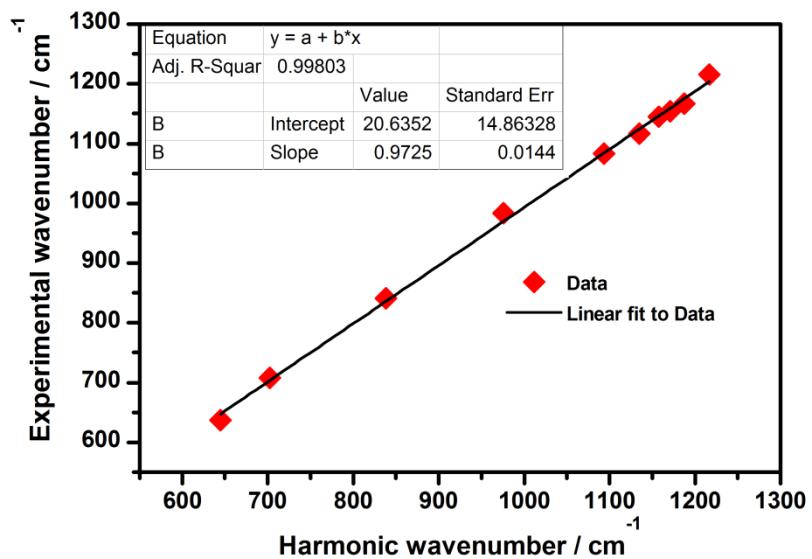


Fig. S3 Linear fit of experimental wavenumbers versus harmonic vibrational wavenumbers of $\text{CF}_2\text{ICF}_2\text{I}$ calculated with the B3PW91/aug-cc-pVTZ-pp method. The data corresponding to both isomers were used.

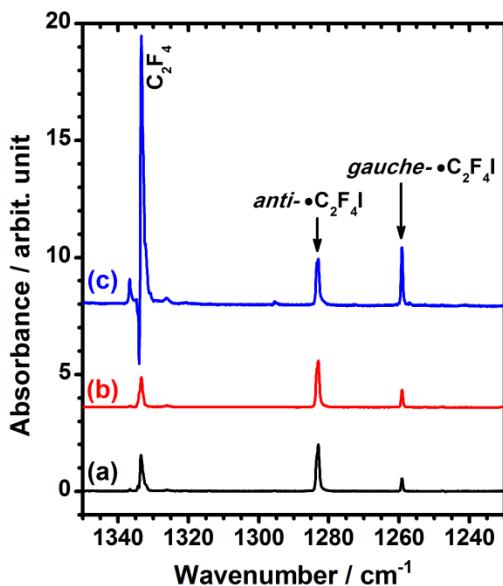


Fig. S4 Partial difference spectra of a matrix $\text{CF}_2\text{ICF}_2\text{I}/p\text{-H}_2$ ($\sim 1/20\ 000$) in the range $1350\text{--}1230\ \text{cm}^{-1}$ recorded after irradiation of the matrix with light near 300 nm for 3 h (a), 280 nm for 3 h (b), and 265 nm for 3 h (c). The spectra were normalized to the line of $\text{anti-}\bullet\text{C}_2\text{F}_4\text{I}$ near $1285\ \text{cm}^{-1}$. Lines of anti- and $\text{gauche-}\bullet\text{C}_2\text{F}_4\text{I}$ are marked with arrows and labels.