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## Influence of organic cations on $\pi$ -stacking of semiquinone radical anions

## Supplement

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**Figure S1** ORTEP-3 drawing of  $Cl_4Q$  radical anion in  $1 \cdot Cl_4Q$ . Displacement ellipsoids are drawn for the probability of 50 %.



**Figure S2** ORTEP-3 drawing of  $Br_4Q$  radical anion in  $1 \cdot Br_4Q$ . Displacement ellipsoids are drawn for the probability of 50 %.



**Figure S3** ORTEP-3 drawing of  $Cl_4Q$  radical anion in  $2 \cdot Cl_4Q$ . Displacement ellipsoids are drawn for the probability of 50 %.



**Figure S4** ORTEP-3 drawing of  $Cl_4Q$  radical anion in  $3 \cdot Cl_4Q$ . Displacement ellipsoids are drawn for the probability of 50 %.



**Figure S5** ORTEP-3 drawings of two symmetry-inequivalent partially charged  $Cl_4Q$  radicals in  $4_2$ ·( $Cl_4Q$ )<sub>3</sub>. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn for the probability of 50 %.



**Figure S6** ORTEP-3 drawings of two symmetry-independent  $Br_4Q$  radical anions (A and B, respectively) in  $4_2 \cdot (Br_4Q)_2$ . Displacement ellipsoids are drawn for the probability of 50 %.



**Figure S7** ORTEP-3 drawings of a) and b) two symmetry-independent  $Cl_4Q$  radical anions and c) neutral molecule of  $Cl_4Q$  in  $5_4 \cdot (Cl_4Q)_5$ . Displacement ellipsoids are drawn for the probability of 50 %.



Figure S8 ORTEP-3 drawing of *N*-methylpyrazinium cation in  $1 \cdot \text{Cl}_4\text{Q}$ . Displacement ellipsoids are drawn for the probability of 50 % and hydrogen atoms are shown as spheres of arbitrary radii.



Figure S9 ORTEP-3 drawing of *N*-methylpyrazinium cation in  $1 \cdot Br_4Q$ . Displacement ellipsoids are drawn for the probability of 50 % and hydrogen atoms are shown as spheres of arbitrary radii.



**Figure S10** ORTEP-3 drawing of *N*-methyl-2-aminopyridinium cation in  $2 \cdot Cl_4Q$ . Displacement ellipsoids are drawn for the probability of 50 % and hydrogen atoms are shown as spheres of arbitrary radii.



**Figure S11** ORTEP-3 drawing of *N*-methyl-3-aminopyridinium cation in  $3 \cdot Cl_4Q$ . Displacement ellipsoids are drawn for the probability of 50 % and hydrogen atoms are shown as spheres of arbitrary radii.



Figure S12 ORTEP-3 drawing of a disordered *N*-methyl-4-aminopyridinium cation in  $4_2 \cdot (Cl_4Q)_3$ . Displacement ellipsoids are drawn for the probability of 50 % and hydrogen atoms are shown as spheres of arbitrary radii.



**Figure S13** ORTEP-3 drawing of two symmetry-independent *N*-methyl-3carboxymethylpyridinium cations in  $5_4 \cdot (Cl_4Q)_5$ . Displacement ellipsoids are drawn for the probability of 50 % and hydrogen atoms are shown as spheres of arbitrary radii.



Figure S14 Crystal packing of  $1 \cdot Cl_4Q$  viewed in the direction [100].



Figure S15 Crystal packing of  $3 \cdot Cl_4Q$  viewed in the direction [100].



Figure S16 Crystal packing of  $4 \cdot (Br_4Q)_2$  viewed in the direction [100].



**Figure S17** Different types of bonds in the (semi)quinone ring used for geometric correlation between bond lengths and charge of the ring shown in Figs. S18-S21.



**Figure S18** Correlation between bond lengths in the semiquinone radicals and their charges, after Kistenmacher *et al.* [1]: a/c (definition is given in Fig. S17). Data for Cl<sub>4</sub>Q radicals from accurate X-ray charge density studies [2,3] are shown as red full circles; data for for Cl<sub>4</sub>Q radicals from this work are shown as blue full circles and data for Br<sub>4</sub>Q radicals from this work are shown as empty black circles.



**Figure S19** Correlation between bond lengths in the semiquinone radicals and their charges, after Coppens & Guru Row [4]: (a+b)/c (definition is given in Fig. S17). Data for Cl<sub>4</sub>Q radicals from accurate X-ray charge density studies [2,3] are shown as red full circles; data for Cl<sub>4</sub>Q radicals from this work are shown as blue full circles and data for Br<sub>4</sub>Q radicals from this work are shown as empty black circles.



**Figure S20** Correlation between C=O (*a* in Fig. S17) bond lengths of the semiquinone radicals and their charges. Data for  $Cl_4Q$  radicals from accurate X-ray charge density studies [2,3] are shown as red full circles; data for  $Cl_4Q$  radicals from this work are shown as blue full circles and data for  $Br_4Q$  radicals from this work are shown as empty black circles.



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**Figure S21** Correlations between bond lengths in the semiquinone radicals and their charges proposed in this work: (a+b+d)/c (definition is given in Fig. S17). a) Data for Cl<sub>4</sub>Q radicals from accurate X-ray charge density studies [2,3] are shown as red full circles and data for Cl<sub>4</sub>Q radicals from this work are shown as blue full circles; b) data for Br<sub>4</sub>Q radicals from this work are shown as empty black circles.

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