

## *Supporting Information*

### **Coupling of Two Curved Polyaromatic Radical-Anions:**

#### *Stabilization of Dimer by Counterions*

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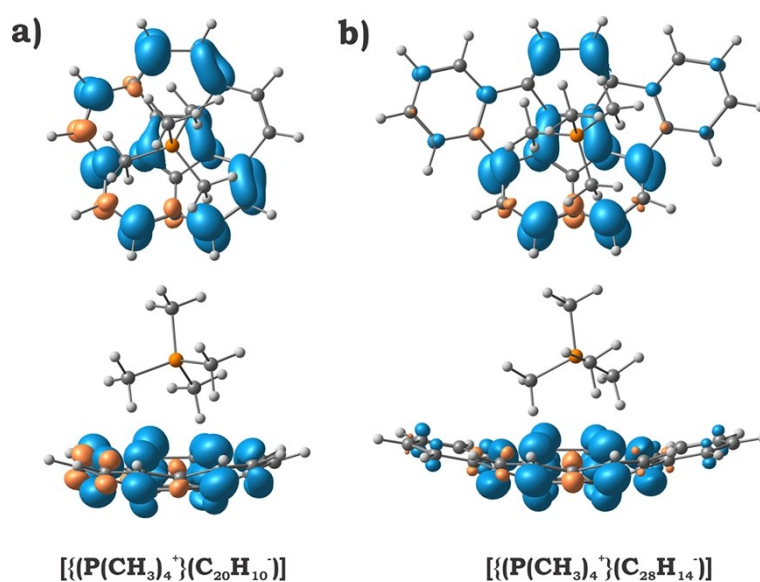
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System	Energy, a.u.
$[(\text{Cs}^+)_2(18\text{C}6)_2\{(\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{14})_2^{2-}\}]$	-4033.072493646
$[(\text{Cs}^+)_2(\text{diglyme})_4\{(\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{14})_2^{2-}\}]$	-4037.7913202669
$[(\text{Cs}^+)_2\{(\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{14})_2^{2-}\}]$	-2188.9726627062
$(\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{14})_2^{2-}$	-2148.5853290382
$[(\text{Cs}^+)(18\text{C}6)\{(\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{14})^-\}]$	-2016.5281455409
$[(\text{Cs}^+)(\text{diglyme})_2\{(\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{14})^-\}]$	-2018.8869382208
$[(\text{Cs}^+)\{(\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{14})^-\}]$	-1094.4754275893
$(\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{14})^-$	-1074.3185777516
$[(\text{Cs}^+)_2(18\text{C}6)_2\{(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{10})_2^{2-}\}]$	-3419.1124435815
$[(\text{Cs}^+)_2(\text{diglyme})_4\{(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{10})_2^{2-}\}]$	-3423.8296987797
$[(\text{Cs}^+)_2\{(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{10})_2^{2-}\}]$	-1575.0211338753
$(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{10})_2^{2-}$	-1534.6153554856
$[(\text{Cs}^+)(18\text{C}6)\{(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{10})^-\}]$	-1709.5485860056
$[(\text{Cs}^+)(\text{diglyme})_2\{(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{10})^-\}]$	-1711.9083483116
$[(\text{Cs}^+)\{(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{10})^-\}]$	-787.5006656103
$(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{10})^-$	-767.3374308988
$[(\text{Li}^+)_2\{(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{10})_2^{2-}\}]$	-1550.0050909929
$[(\text{Na}^+)_2\{(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{10})_2^{2-}\}]$	-1859.3783520144
$[(\text{K}^+)_2\{(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{10})_2^{2-}\}]$	-2734.5357712758
$[(\text{Rb}^+)_2\{(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{10})_2^{2-}\}]$	-1583.2171957478
$[(\text{Li}^+)\{(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{10})^-\}]$	-774.9851710864
$[(\text{Na}^+)\{(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{10})^-\}]$	-929.6761665696
$[(\text{K}^+)\{(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{10})^-\}]$	-1367.2586915055
$[(\text{Rb}^+)\{(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{10})^-\}]$	-791.6005293487
$[(\text{Li}^+)_2\{(\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{14})_2^{2-}\}]$	-2164.0884941124
$[(\text{Na}^+)_2\{(\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{14})_2^{2-}\}]$	-2473.4625486566
$[(\text{K}^+)_2\{(\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{14})_2^{2-}\}]$	-3348.6199771188

$[(\text{Rb}^+)_2\{(\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{14})_2^{2-}\}]$	-2197.3018439256
$[(\text{Li}^+)\{(\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{14})^-\}]$	-1082.0264214623
$[(\text{Na}^+)\{(\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{14})^-\}]$	-1236.7173763050
$[(\text{K}^+)\{(\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{14})^-\}]$	-1674.2998667380
$[(\text{Rb}^+)\{(\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{14})^-\}]$	-1098.6418419983
$[(\text{Li}^+)_2(\text{diglyme})_4\{(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{10})_2^{2-}\}]$	-3399.4003788767
$[(\text{Li}^+)(\text{diglyme})_2\{(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{10})_2^-\}]$	-1699.6975212547
$[(\text{N}(\text{CH}_3)_4^+)_2\{(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{10})_2^{2-}\}]$	-1963.2110231826
$[(\text{N}(\text{CH}_3)_4^+)\{(\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{10})_2^-\}]$	-981.6023621402



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