

## Non-covalent interactions between iodo-perfluorocarbons and hydrogen bond acceptors

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### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

#### NMR titrations

Association constants were determined using NMR titration protocols utilising an automated liquid handler to prepare the samples. The host solution was prepared at a concentration between 10 and 250 mM depending on the stability of the complex ( $[1] \sim 1/K$ ). The guest stock solution was prepared by dissolving the guest in a sample of the host stock solution at a guest concentration between 500 mM and 2 M. Titration samples were prepared by mixing host and guest stock solutions in different proportions to obtain a saturation binding isotherm.  $^{19}\text{F}$ -NMR spectra of each sample were recorded on a Bruker AMX400 spectrometer using an external  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  capillary as deuterium lock signal. The observed changes in chemical shift of the host signals as a function of guest concentration were analysed using purpose-written software, which yields the association constant, the bound chemical shift and the free chemical shift.

#### Hydrogen Bond Parameters

**Table SI.** Hydrogen bond donor and acceptor parameters ( $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ ).

HBA		$\beta_2^H$	$\beta$
Tri- <i>n</i> -butylphosphine oxide	<b>2</b>	0.93	10.2
Quinuclidine	<b>3</b>	0.80	8.9
DABCO	<b>4</b>	0.81	8.9
Piperidine	<b>5</b>	0.74	8.3
Hexylamine	<b>6</b>	0.69	7.8
Diethylamine	<b>7</b>	0.70	7.9
Triethylamine	<b>8</b>	0.67	7.5
Pyridine	<b>9</b>	0.62	7.1

  

HBD <sup>a</sup>		$\alpha_2^H$	$\alpha$
4-fluorophenol		0.63	3.9
pyrrole		0.41	3.0

a M. H. Abraham, P. L. Grellier, D. V. Prior, P. P. Duce, J. J. Morris and P. J. Taylor, *J. Chem. Soc. Perkin Trans. 2*, **1989**, 699-711.

## Experimental Verification of Hydrogen Bond Acceptor Parameters

**Table S2.** Association constants for formation of 1:1 complexes with **1** from NMR titrations in carbon tetrachloride at 295 K (experiment) and calculated using Equation 1 (predicted).

HBA	HBD	$\log K_{expt}$	$\log K_{pred}$
Quinuclidine	4-Fluorophenol	$2.5 \pm 0.1$	2.6
Quinuclidine	Pyrrole	$1.2 \pm 0.1$	1.3
Triethylamine	4-Fluorophenol	$1.7 \pm 0.2$	2.0
Triethylamine	Pyrrole	$0.8 \pm 0.1$	0.9

## Crystallographic Data

**Table S3.** Crystallographic data for 25 crystal structures containing alkyl iodo-perfluorocarbons involved in halogen bonds (obtained from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre).

Refcode	d N-I (Å)	d C-I (Å)	CCDC ref	HBD	pK <sub>a</sub>
DENMIT	2.746	2.164	604155	Pyridine	5
IHUNOO	2.858	2.156	214349	Pyridine	5
LEZPIQ	2.863	2.111	618383	Pyridine	5
LEZPOW	2.961	2.095	618384	Pyridine	5
LEZPUC	2.831	2.131	618385	Pyridine	5
LEZPUC01	2.841	2.139	618386	Pyridine	5
LEZQAJ	2.806	2.101	618387	Pyridine	5
LOQBAU	2.842	2.162	-	Pyridine	5
QANRUS	2.839	2.149	-	Pyridine	5
ULOKUB	2.928	2.152	214919	Pyridine	5
XUHNUJ	2.771	2.155	187509	Pyridine	5
PIFVOQ	2.832	2.170	625929	Pyridine	5
PIFVUW	2.855	2.158	625930	Pyridine	5
PIFWAD	2.756	2.155	625931	Pyridine	5
LOSVAQ	2.861	2.186	141920	NHR <sub>2</sub>	11
QANSED	2.807	2.206	-	NHR <sub>2</sub>	11
ACIREK	2.799	2.177	215347	Alkyl-NR <sub>2</sub>	10
AXAGUB	2.722	2.145	221831	Alkyl-NR <sub>2</sub>	10
JALQIW	2.862	2.135	-	Alkyl-NR <sub>2</sub>	10
JALQIW01	2.825	2.200	-	Alkyl-NR <sub>2</sub>	10
JALQOC	2.797	2.193	-	Alkyl-NR <sub>2</sub>	10
XOMLUG	2.762	2.169	164105	Alkyl-NR <sub>2</sub>	10
LAKGAG	2.836	2.158	259450	Aryl-NR <sub>2</sub>	1
XAKGIA	2.847	2.158	256351	Aryl-NR <sub>2</sub>	1
ULOKEI	2.817	2.175	214916	N-Me morpholine	7.4

R represents an alkyl group

pK<sub>a</sub> values from pK<sub>a</sub> Values for Aqueous Solutions and DMSO (D. H. Ripin, D. A. Evans) and pK<sub>a</sub> Values for Aqueous Solutions (W. P. Jencks, F. H. Westheimer)

[http://daecr1.harvard.edu/pdf/evans\\_pKa\\_table.pdf](http://daecr1.harvard.edu/pdf/evans_pKa_table.pdf)

[http://research.chem.psu.edu/brpgroup/pKa\\_compilation.pdf](http://research.chem.psu.edu/brpgroup/pKa_compilation.pdf)

### Computational methods

Semi-empirical AM1 and Ab initio 3-21G(\*) calculations were performed using Spartan '06 Wavefunction, Inc., Irvine, CA, USA.

**Table S4.** Hartree Fock 3-21G(\*) HOMO and LUMO energies (eV), p*K*<sub>a</sub> values and relative rates of the Menschutkin reaction for hydrogen bond acceptors.

	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
E HOMO (eV)	-10.37	-8.78	-8.08	-9.34	-9.11	-9.44	-9.83	-9.69
E LUMO (eV)	5.96	6.38	6.44	7.01	7.10	7.26	7.15	3.54
p <i>K</i> <sub>a</sub>		11.0	8.8	11.2	10.5	11.0	10.7	5.3
<i>k</i> <sub>rel</sub>		5940	3665				93	1