

Electronic Supporting Information

Synthesis and chemistry of a very stable but reactive diisocyanate, trioxabicyclo[3.3.1]nonadiene diisocyanate

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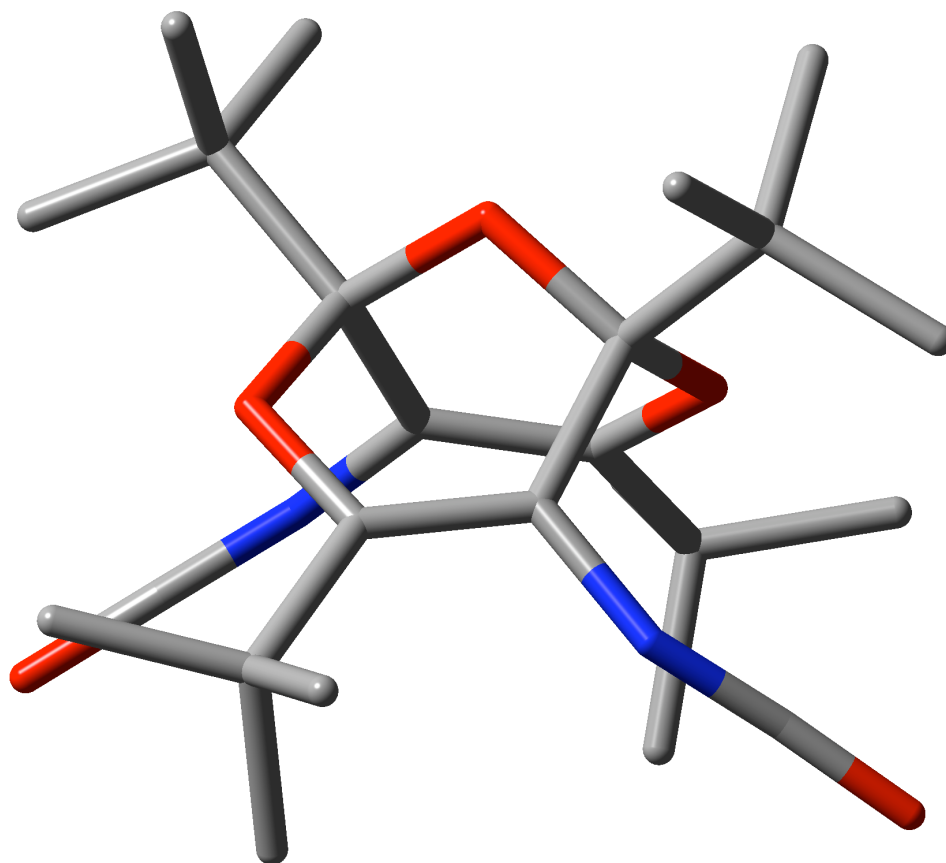


Figure S1. Another view of the structure of diisocyanate **5** calculated at the B3LYP/6-31G** level. Both NCO groups are *endo* with respect to the bicyclic system (hydrogen atoms omitted for clarity). A C₂ symmetry axis passes through the central oxygen. The C=C double bonds are twisted by an angle 11.6°.

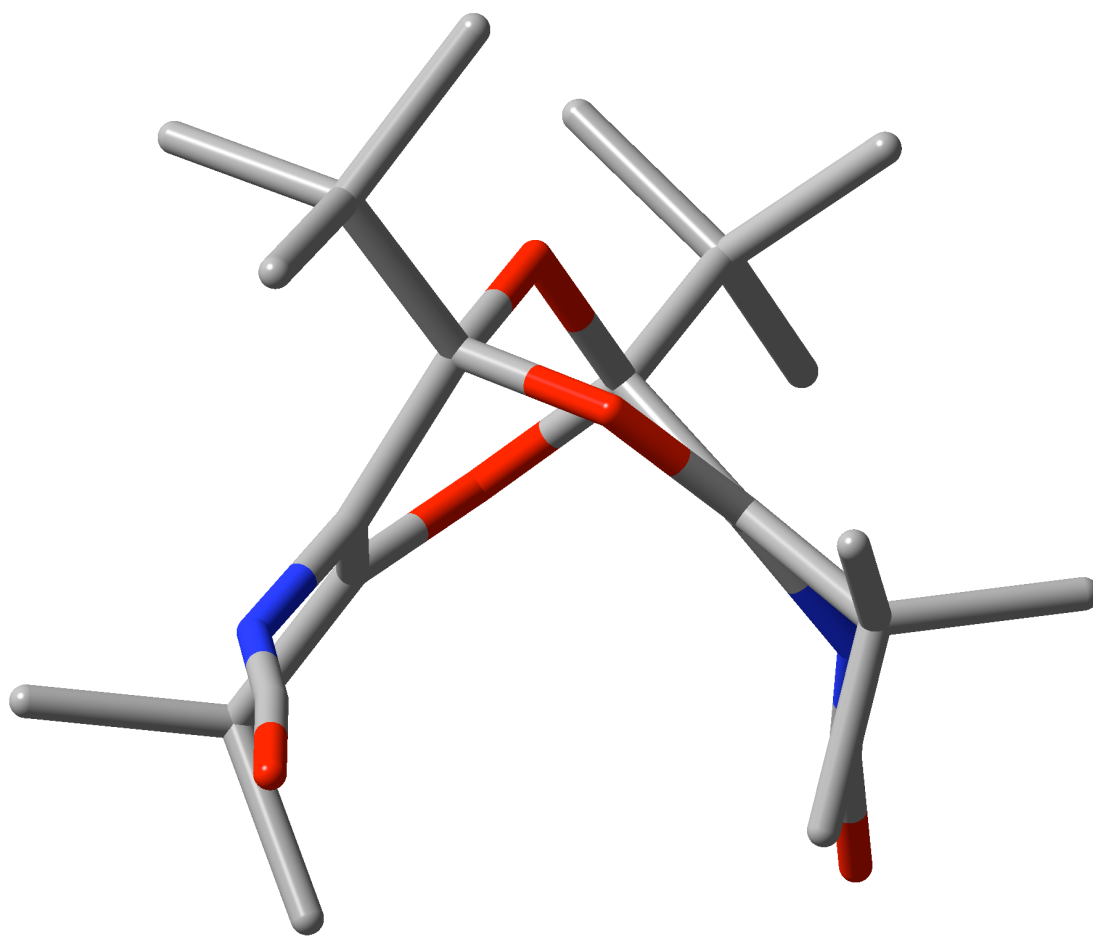


Figure S2. Another view of the structure of diisocyanate **5** calculated at the B3LYP/6-31G** level. The C=C double bonds are twisted by an angle 11.6° . The concave angle between the two rings is 110° .

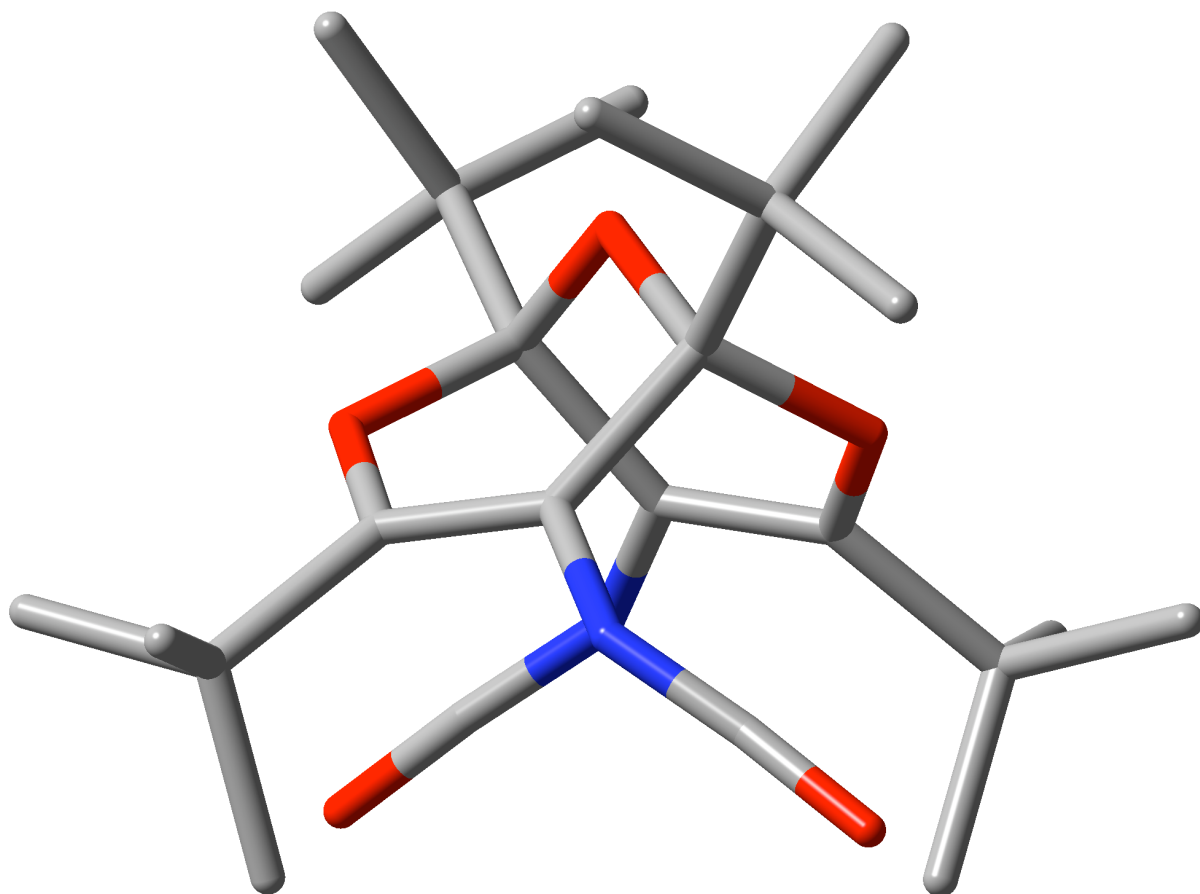


Figure S3. Another view of the structure of diisocyanate **5** calculated at the B3LYP/6-31G** level. The C=C double bonds are twisted by an angle 11.6° . The concave angle between the two rings is 110° . The angle between the two C-NCO moieties is 112° .

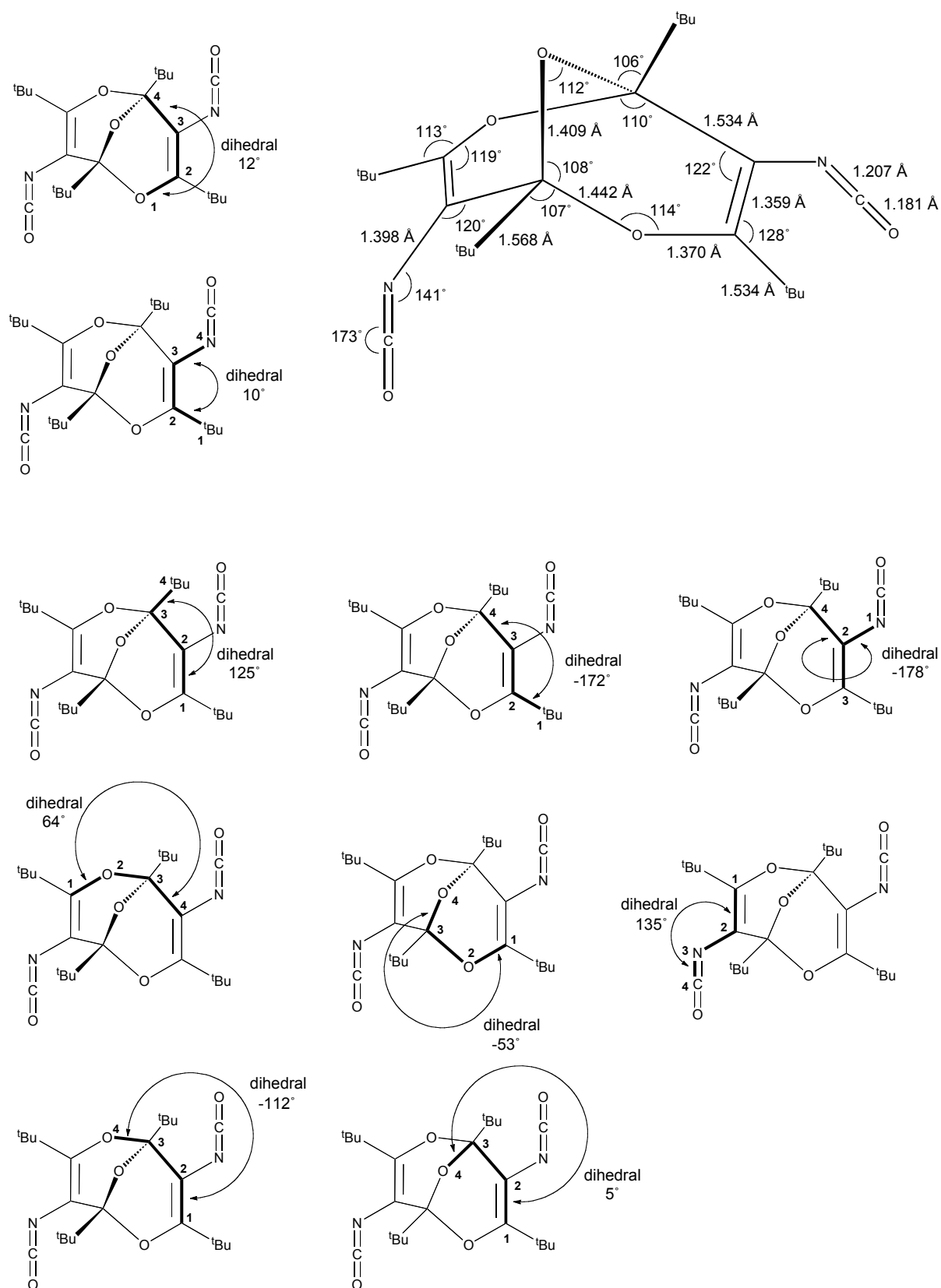


Figure S4. Additional bond lengths (Å) and angles (degrees) for diisocyanate **5** calculated at the B3LYP/6-31G** level.

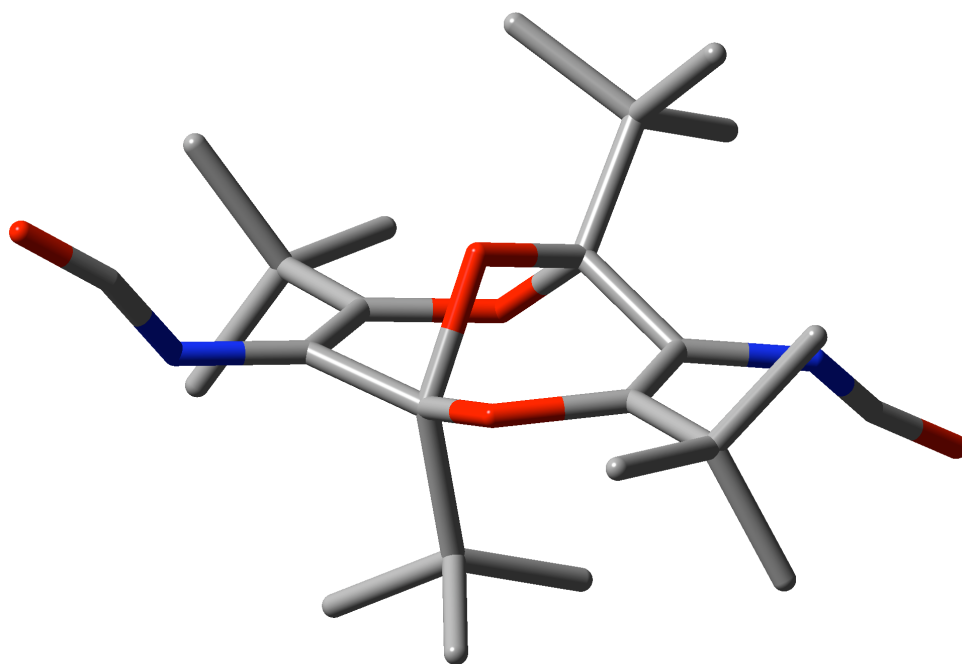
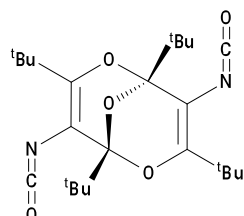


Figure S5. Non-observed *exo,endo*-isomer of **5** at the PM6 level. The *exo,endo* and *exo,exo* isomers are considerably more strained than the *endo,endo* isomer (Figure S1), and neither forms a stable minimum; attempted optimization at the B3LYP level leads to ring opening.

Calculated Energies and Cartesian Coordinates (B3LYP/6-31G**)

Calculations were carried out at the B3LYP/6-31G** level using the Gaussian suite of programs.¹ The temperature used was 298.15 K, and calculated wavenumbers were scaled by a factor 0.9613.²

(*endo,endo*)-Trioxabicyclo[3.3.1]nonadiene diisocyanate **5**



Atom	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
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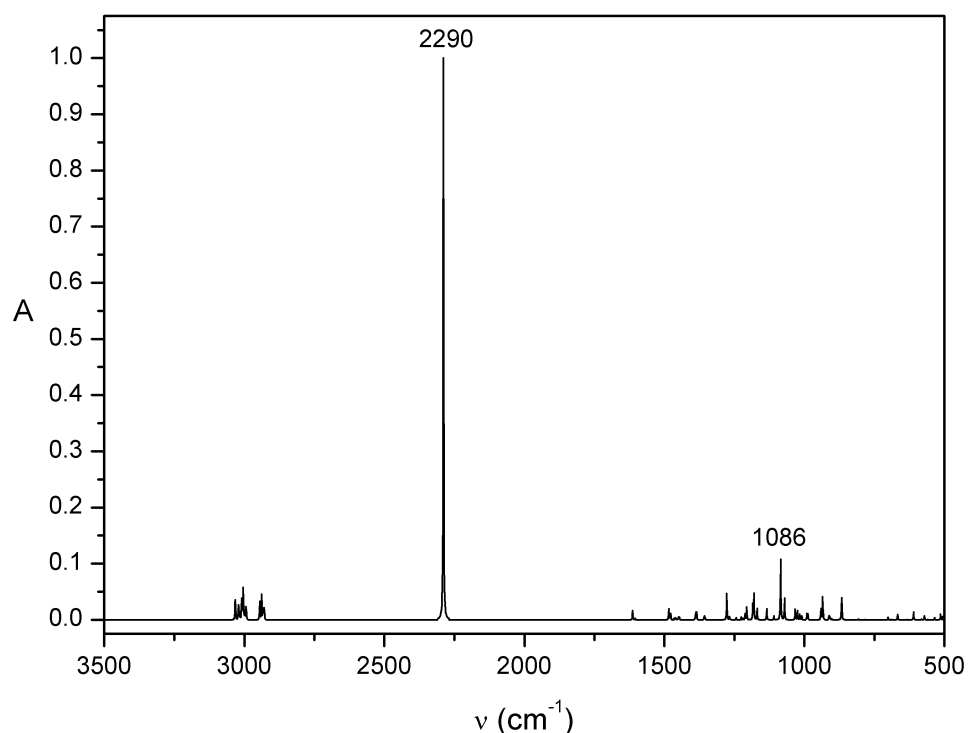


Figure S6. Calculated IR spectrum of diisocyanate **5**.

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