

Supporting Information

for

Calixazulenes: azulene-based calixarene analogues – an overview and recent supramolecular complexation studies

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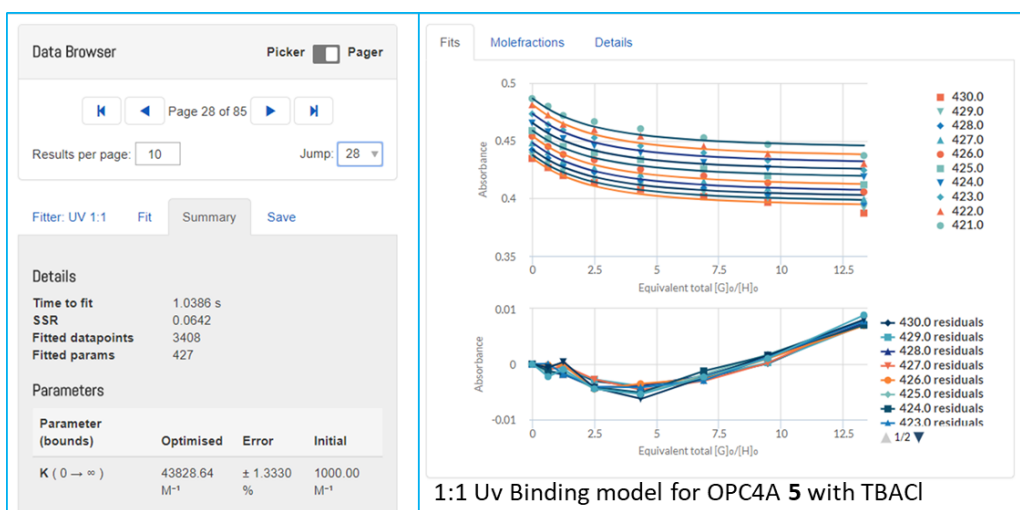
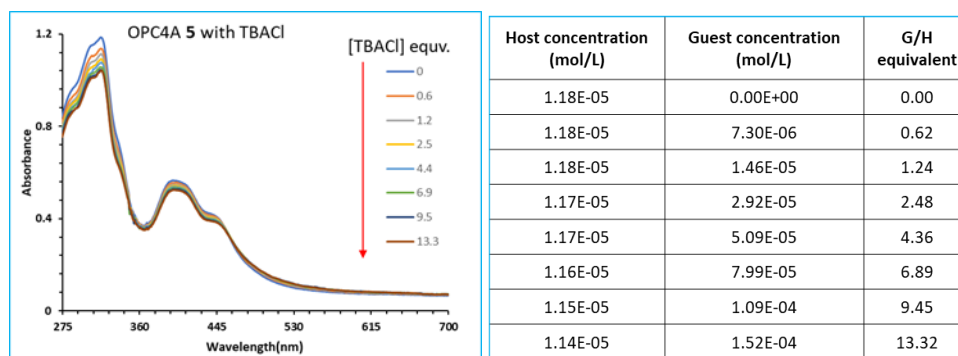


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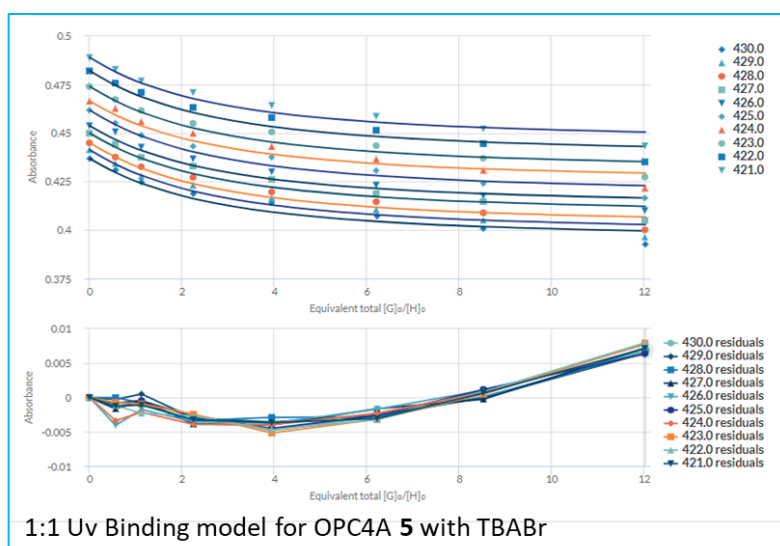
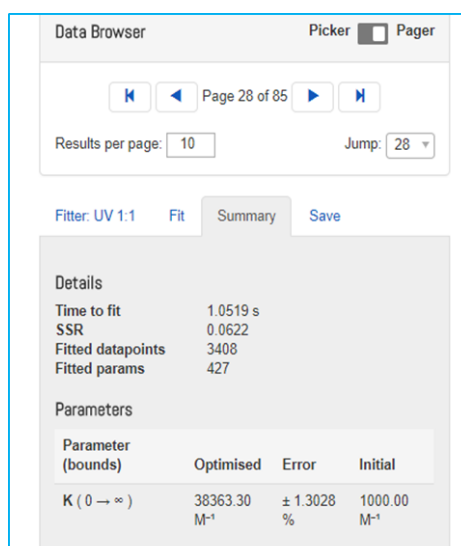
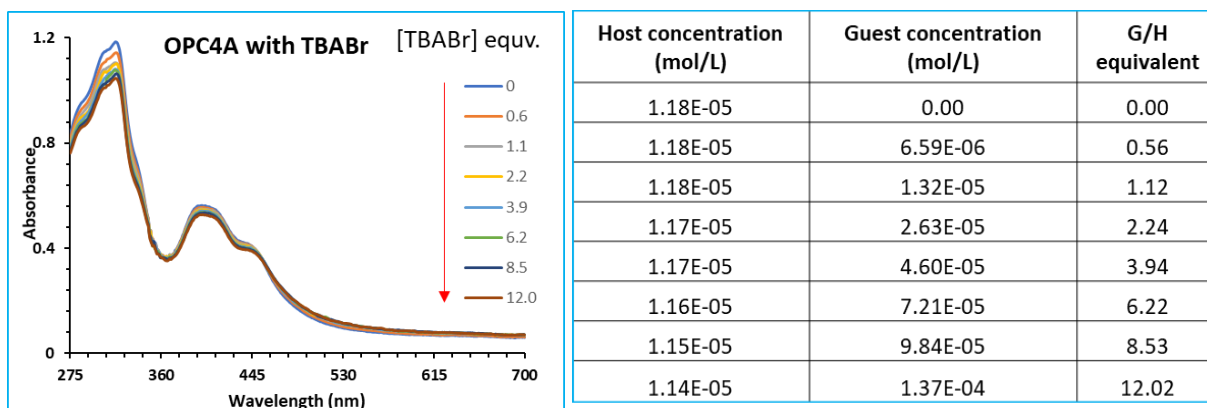


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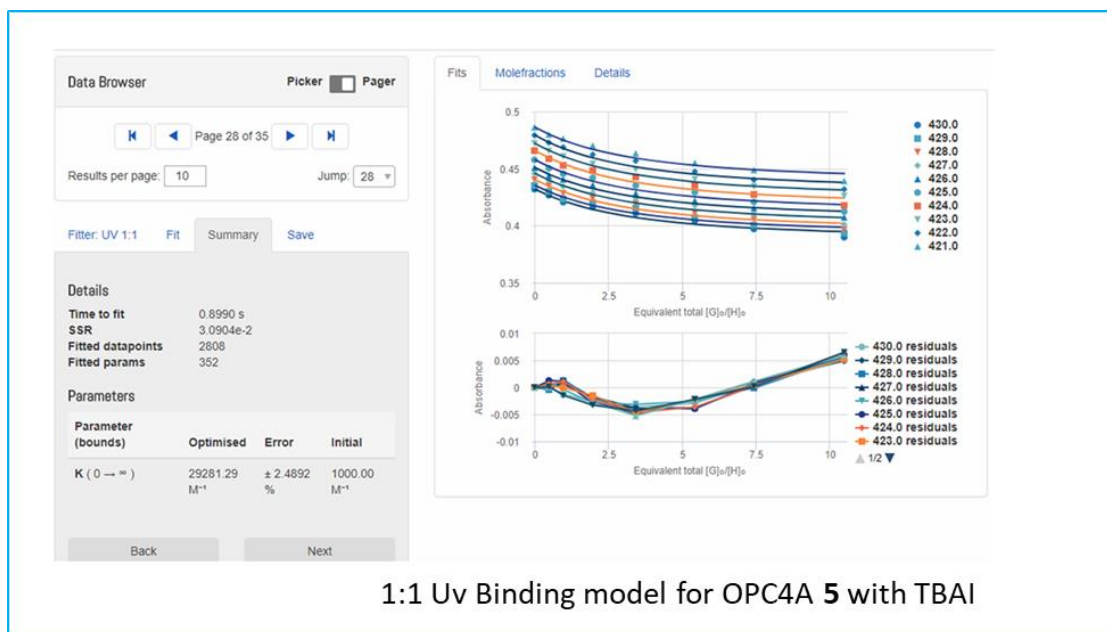
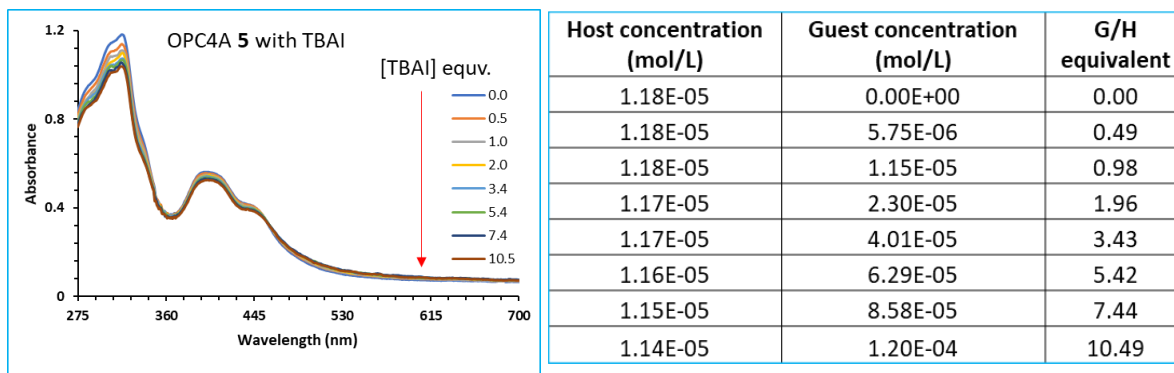


Figure S3: *Top: (left and right side):* UV-vis spectra of OPC4A 5 (1.18×10^{-5} M to 1.14×10^{-5} M) upon addition of TBAI (0–10.4 equivalents) in 9:1, v/v $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$. *Bottom:* Screenshot from <http://app.supramolecular.org/bindfit/> showing 1:1 binding model for OPC4A 5 with TBAI.

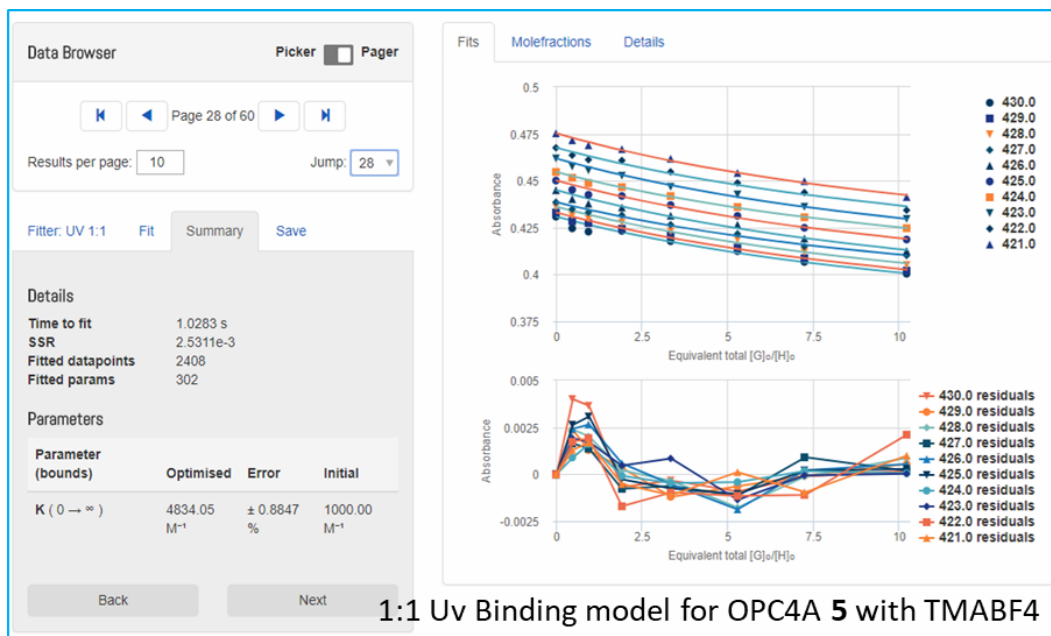
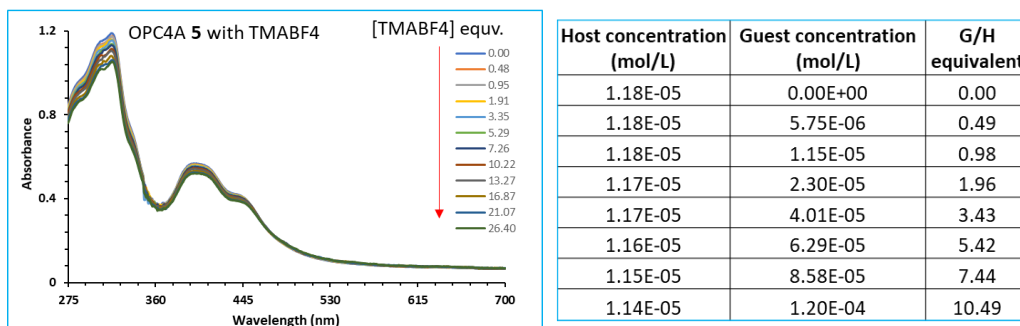
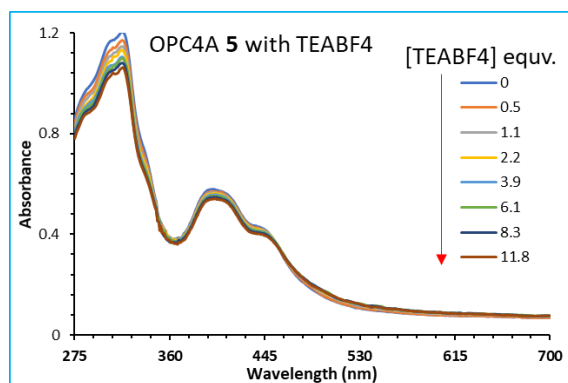


Figure S4: *Top: (left and right side):* UV-vis spectra of OPC4A 5 (1.18×10^{-5} M to 1.14×10^{-5} M) upon addition of TMABF₄ (0–10 equivalents) in 9:1,v/v CH₂Cl₂/CH₃OH. *Bottom:* Screenshot from <http://app.supramolecular.org/bindfit/> showing 1:1 binding model for OPC4A 5 with TMABF₄



| Host concentration (mol/L) | Guest concentration (mol/L) | G/H equivalent |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|
| 1.18E-05 | 0.00E+00 | 0.00 |
| 1.18E-05 | 6.45E-06 | 0.55 |
| 1.18E-05 | 1.29E-05 | 1.10 |
| 1.17E-05 | 2.58E-05 | 2.19 |
| 1.17E-05 | 4.50E-05 | 3.85 |
| 1.16E-05 | 7.06E-05 | 6.08 |
| 1.15E-05 | 9.62E-05 | 8.35 |
| 1.14E-05 | 1.34E-04 | 11.76 |

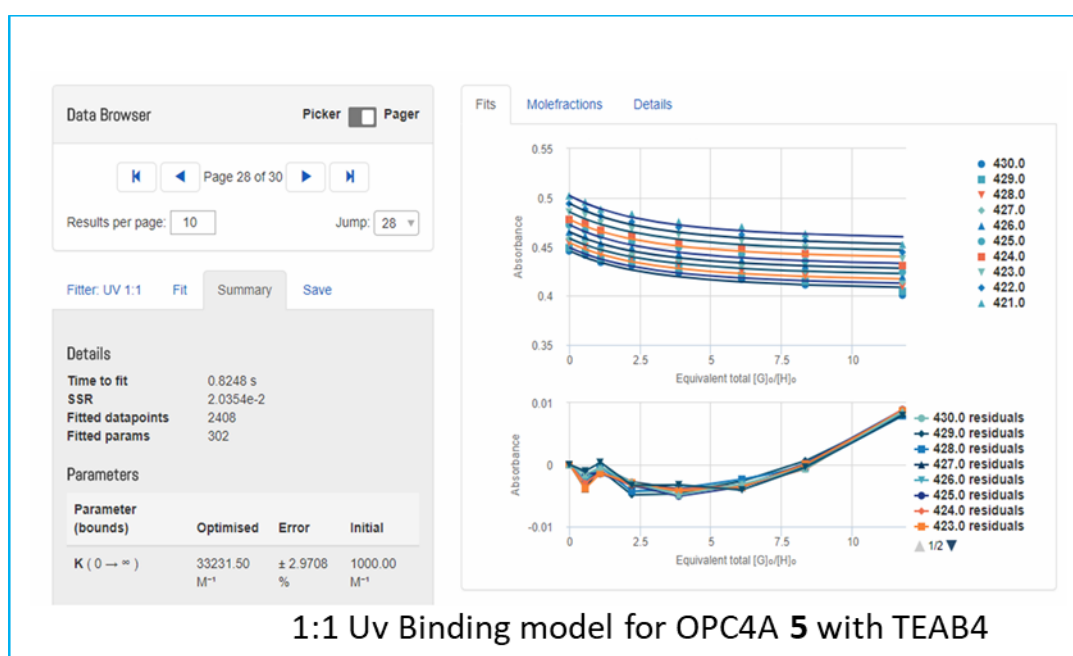


Figure S5: *Top: (left and right side):* UV-vis spectra of OPC4A 5 (1.18×10^{-5} M to 1.14×10^{-5} M) upon addition of TEABF₄ (0–12 equivalents) in 9:1, v/v CH₂Cl₂/CH₃OH. *Bottom:* Screenshot from <http://app.supramolecular.org/bindfit/> showing 1:1 binding model for OPC4A 5 with TEABF₄

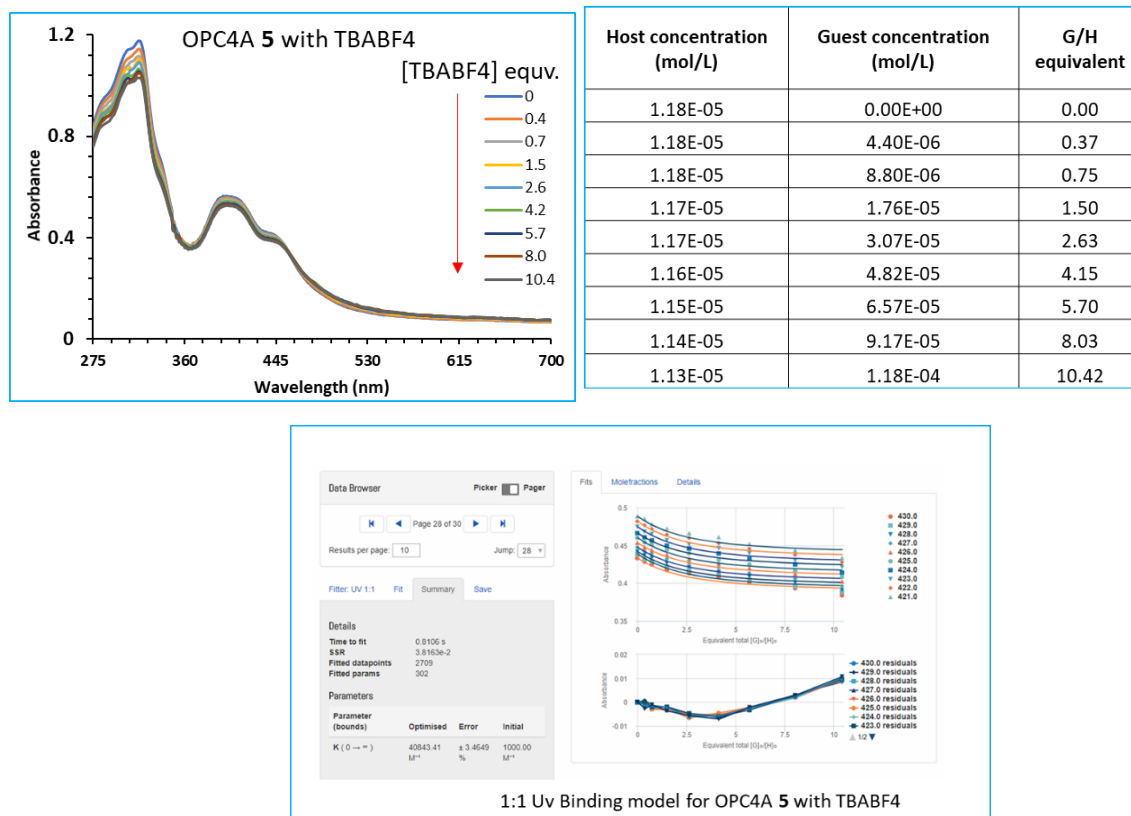


Figure S6: *Top: (left and right side):* UV-vis spectra of OPC4A 5 (1.18×10^{-5} M to 1.14×10^{-5} M) upon addition of TBABF₄ (0–10 equivalents) in 9:1, v/v CH₂Cl₂/CH₃OH. *Bottom:* Screenshot from <http://app.supramolecular.org/bindfit/> showing 1:1 binding model for OPC4A 5 with TBABF₄.

References

1. (a) P. Thordarson, *Chem. Soc. Rev.*, 2011, **40**, 1305-1323; (b) <http://app.supramolecular.org/bindfit/>

Table SI1. DFT Calculations

| Job Number | Job Name | Route | Stoichiometry | RwB97XD Energy (Hartree) | 2600 | |
|------------|---|---|---------------|--------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| 55985 | OPCA Cone Gen ECP PLUS DCM ex 5253 | #N wB97xD/GenECP OPT SCRF=(PCM,Solvent=Dichloromethane) Geom=Check | C92H64 | -3543.05966532 | | |
| 55980 | TBACl in DCM wB97xD/GenECP from 2327 | #N wB97xD/GenECP OPT SCRF=(PCM,Solvent=Dichloromethane) Geom=Check | C16H36ClN | -700.9470509 | | |
| | | | | -4244.006716 | | |
| 56212 | Scott cone plus TBACl in DCM ex 5643 | #N wB97xD/GenECP OPT SCRF=(PCM,Solvent=Dichloromethane) Geom=Check | C108H100ClN | -4244.136641 | | |
| | | | | -0.129925185 | -337.805 | kJ/mol |
| 55985 | OPCA Cone Gen ECP PLUS DCM ex 5253 | #N wB97xD/GenECP OPT SCRF=(PCM,Solvent=Dichloromethane) Geom=Check | C92H64 | -3543.05966532 | | |
| 55977 | TBAbR in DCM wB97xD/GenECP from 2327 | #N wB97xD/GenECP OPT SCRF=(PCM,Solvent=Dichloromethane) Geom=Check | C16H36BrN | -699.1793985 | | |
| | | | | -4242.239064 | | |
| 56210 | Scott cone plus TBAbR in DCM | #N wB97xD/GenECP OPT SCRF=(PCM,Solvent=Dichloromethane) Geom=Check | C108H100BrN | -4242.36025 | | |
| | | | | -0.12118209 | -315.073 | kJ/mol |
| 55985 | OPCA Cone Gen ECP PLUS DCM ex 5253 | #N wB97xD/GenECP OPT SCRF=(PCM,Solvent=Dichloromethane) Geom=Check | C92H64 | -3543.05966532 | | |
| 56061 | TBAI in DCM Gen ECP wB97xD/6-31G(d) from 23 | #N wB97xD/GenECP OPT SCRF=(PCM,Solvent=Dichloromethane) Geom=Check | C16H36IN | -697.4036638 | | |
| | | | | -4240.463329 | | |
| 56196 | Scott plus TBAI and DCM ex 5484 new | #N wB97xD/GenECP OPT SCRF=(PCM,Solvent=Dichloromethane) Geom=Check | C108H100IN | -4240.585022 | | |
| | | | | -0.121692956 | -316.402 | kJ/mol |
| 6021 | OPCA Cone PLUS DCM ex 5253 | #N wB97xD/6-31G(d) OPT SCRF=(PCM,Solvent=Dichloromethane) Geom=Connec | C92H64 | -3543.110208 | | |
| 6027 | TMABF4 in DCM wB97xD/6-31G9d) from 2275 | #N wB97xD/6-31G(d) OPT SCRF=(PCM,Solvent=Dichloromethane) Geom=Connec | C4H12BF4N | -638.6789257 | | |
| | | | | -4181.789133 | | |
| 6015 | SCOTT + TMABF4 + DCM ex 5174 | #N wB97xD/6-31G(d) OPT SCRF=(PCM,Solvent=Dichloromethane) Geom=Check | C96H76BF4N | -4181.849108 | | |
| | | | | -0.05997502 | -155.935 | kJ/mol |
| 6021 | OPCA Cone PLUS DCM ex 5253 | #N wB97xD/6-31G(d) OPT SCRF=(PCM,Solvent=Dichloromethane) Geom=Connec | C92H64 | -3543.110208 | | |
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| | | | | -4339.004951 | | |
| 5994 | OPCA cone plus TEABF4 in DCM | #N wB97xD/6-31G(d) OPT SCRF=(PCM,Solvent=Dichloromethane) Geom=Connec | C100H84BF4N | -4339.06834 | | |
| | | | | -0.063389111 | -164.812 | kJ/mol |
| 6021 | OPCA Cone PLUS DCM ex 5253 | #N wB97xD/6-31G(d) OPT SCRF=(PCM,Solvent=Dichloromethane) Geom=Connec | C92H64 | -3543.110208 | | |
| 6022 | TBABF4 in DCM wB97xD/6-31G(d) from 2359 | #N wB97xD/6-31G(d) OPT SCRF=(PCM,Solvent=Dichloromethane) Geom=Connec | C16H36BF4N | -1110.3206 | | |
| | | | | -4653.430808 | | |
| 6014 | OPCA plusTBABF4 in DCM EX 5173 | #N wB97xD/6-31G(d) OPT SCRF=(PCM,Solvent=Dichloromethane) Geom=Check | C108H100BF4N | -4653.507282 | | |
| | | | | -0.07647396 | -198.832 | kJ/mol |

Note: 1 Hartree = 2600 kJ/mol