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**Halogen bonding in hypervalent iodine and bromine derivatives:  
Halonium salts**

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**Table S1** Crystallographic data and structure refinement parameters for diphenyliodonium perchlorate (**1**·ClO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>), diphenyliodonium hexafluorophosphate (**1**·PF<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup>), and dibenzo[b,d]iodolium chloride (**2**·Cl<sup>-</sup>).

Structure	<b>1</b> ·ClO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	<b>1</b> ·PF <sub>6</sub> <sup>-</sup>	<b>2</b> ·Cl <sup>-</sup>
Formula	C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>10</sub> ClIO <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>10</sub> F <sub>6</sub> IP	C <sub>33</sub> H <sub>22</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> F <sub>18</sub> I <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>
Molecular formula	C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>10</sub> I <sup>+</sup> ClO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>10</sub> I <sup>+</sup> PF <sub>6</sub> <sup>-</sup>	2(C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>8</sub> I) <sup>+</sup> , 3(C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>2</sub> F <sub>6</sub> O), 2Cl <sup>-</sup>
<i>F</i> <sub>w</sub>	380.55	426.07	1133.21
Crystallographic System	monoclinic	monoclinic	triclinic
Space group	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i>	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>n</i>	<i>P</i> -1
<i>a</i> (Å)	12.2320(12)	5.9721(5)	11.7183(10)
<i>b</i> (Å)	12.7073(15)	12.9442(12)	13.4322(12)
<i>c</i> (Å)	17.150(2)	18.387(2)	14.8978(13)
<i>α</i> (°)	90	90	113.429(11)
<i>β</i> (°)	103.500(8)	96.195(12)	107.498(10)
<i>γ</i> (°)	90	90	101.366(10)
<i>V</i> (Å <sup>3</sup> )	2592.1(5)	1413.1(2)	1913.0(3)
<i>T</i> (K)	103	103	103
<i>Z</i>	8	4	2
<i>ρ</i> (g·cm <sup>-3</sup> )	1.950	2.003	1.967
<i>μ</i> (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	2.680	2.432	1.906
Absorption correction <i>T</i> <sub>min</sub> , <i>T</i> <sub>max</sub>	0.4204, 0.5159	0.3579, 0.4415	0.5999, 0.7458
Collected, independent, obs. [ <i>I</i> > <i>σ</i> ( <i>I</i> )] reflections	162962, 18783, 15302	77147, 14805, 12120	49282, 15166, 11243
<i>R</i> <sub>int</sub>	0.0326	0.0235	0.0357
<i>θ</i> <sub>max</sub>	43.11	50.00	35.51
Parameters, restraints	405, 190	211, 0	536, 0
<i>wR</i> ( <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup> ), <i>R</i> [ <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup> > 2 <i>σ</i> ( <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup> )]	0.0538, 0.0227	0.0629, 0.0242	0.0621, 0.0309
Goodness of fit	1.064	1.030	1.014
<i>Δ ρ</i> (min,max)	-1.3, 2.09	-1.21, 1.48	-0.71, 0.73
CCDC number	1532402	1532403	1532404

**Table S2** Crystallographic data and structure refinement parameters for phenyl-2-carbomethoxyphenyl-bromonium tetrafluoroborate (**3**·BF<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>), di-*p*-fluorophenylbromonium di-bromide/tetrafluoroborate (**4**<sub>3</sub>·(Br<sup>-</sup>)<sub>2</sub>·BF<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>), and *p*-fluorophenylbromonium dichloride/tetrafluoroborate (**4**<sub>3</sub>·(Cl<sup>-</sup>)<sub>2</sub>·BF<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>).

Structure	<b>3</b> ·BF <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	<b>4</b> <sub>3</sub> ·(Br <sup>-</sup> ) <sub>2</sub> ·BF <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	<b>4</b> <sub>3</sub> ·(Cl <sup>-</sup> ) <sub>2</sub> ·BF <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>
Formula	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>12</sub> BBrF <sub>4</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>36</sub> H <sub>24</sub> B <sub>0.50</sub> Br <sub>5.50</sub> F <sub>8</sub>	C <sub>36</sub> H <sub>24</sub> BBr <sub>3</sub> Cl <sub>3</sub> F <sub>10</sub>
Molecular formula	(C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>12</sub> BrO <sub>2</sub> ) <sup>+</sup> , BF <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	3(C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>8</sub> BrF <sub>2</sub> ) <sup>+</sup> , 2.5Br <sup>-</sup> , 0.5BF <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	3(C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>8</sub> BrF <sub>2</sub> ) <sup>+</sup> , 2Cl <sup>-</sup> , BF <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>
<i>F</i> <sub>w</sub>	378.9	1053.46	967.99
Crystallographic System	triclinic	cubic	cubic
Space group	<i>P</i> -1	<i>P</i> 4 <sub>3</sub> 32	<i>P</i> 4 <sub>1</sub> 32
<i>a</i> (Å)	8.1574(11)	15.4248(7)	15.2905(8)
<i>b</i> (Å)	10.0848(14)	15.4248(7)	15.2905(8)
<i>c</i> (Å)	10.1570(16)	15.4248(7)	15.2905(8)
<i>α</i> (°)	89.158(5)	90	90
<i>β</i> (°)	72.819(4)	90	90
<i>γ</i> (°)	66.607(5)	90	90
<i>V</i> (Å <sup>3</sup> )	727.64(18)	3669.9(3)	3574.9(3)
<i>T</i> (K)	103	103	103
<i>Z</i>	2	4	4
<i>ρ</i> (g·cm <sup>-3</sup> )	1.730	1.907	1.799
<i>μ</i> (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	2.871	6.087	3.615
Absorption correction <i>T</i> <sub>min</sub> , <i>T</i> <sub>max</sub>	0.4633, 0.5373	0.3440, 0.3991	0.6466, 0.7472
Collected, independent, obs. [ <i>I</i> > <i>σ</i> ( <i>I</i> )] reflections	1097, 5592, 4528	13923, 1462, 1253	30649, 2890, 2467
<i>R</i> <sub>int</sub>	0.0299	0.0512	0.0413
<i>θ</i> <sub>max</sub>	34.7	28.47	36.69
Parameters, restraints	200, 0	99, 48	99, 34
<i>wR</i> ( <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup> ), <i>R</i> [ <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup> > 2 <i>σ</i> ( <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup> )]	0.0745, 0.0338	0.0540, 0.0297	0.0517, 0.0246
Goodness of fit	1.020	1.107	1.011
<i>Δ ρ</i> (min,max)	-0.48, 0.69	-0.42, 0.58	-0.27, 0.51
CCDC number	1532407	1532405	1532406

<sup>§</sup> The BF<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> anion was a mixture of BF<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> and Br<sup>-</sup> with a refined population factor ratio 0.54/0.46.

**Table S3** M06-2X/6-311G(d) optimized coordinates of diphenyl iodonium cation **1**.

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	6	0	2.117551	0.410679	1.225303
2	6	0	1.623044	-0.015543	-0.000006
3	6	0	2.117535	0.410756	-1.225295
4	6	0	3.166597	1.324023	-1.209100
5	6	0	3.685419	1.776748	0.000037
6	6	0	3.166612	1.323947	1.209152
7	1	0	1.713806	0.048763	2.162779
8	1	0	1.713779	0.048898	-2.162789
9	1	0	3.576899	1.676753	-2.147775
10	1	0	4.505224	2.485080	0.000054
11	1	0	3.576927	1.676617	2.147844
12	6	0	-1.623044	-0.015543	-0.000006
13	6	0	-2.117551	0.410679	1.225303
14	6	0	-2.117535	0.410756	-1.225295
15	6	0	-3.166613	1.323947	1.209152
16	1	0	-1.713806	0.048763	2.162779
17	6	0	-3.166596	1.324024	-1.209100
18	1	0	-1.713779	0.048899	-2.162790
19	6	0	-3.685419	1.776748	0.000037
20	1	0	-3.576927	1.676617	2.147843
21	1	0	-3.576899	1.676753	-2.147775
22	1	0	-4.505224	2.485080	0.000054
23	53	0	0.000000	-1.386541	-0.000039

**Table S4** M06-2X/6-311G(d) optimized coordinates of dibenzo[b,d]iodolium cation **2**.

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	6	0	-1.551948	1.972267	0.000008
2	6	0	-0.733780	0.838246	0.000001
3	6	0	-1.396403	-0.390209	-0.000008
4	6	0	-2.765697	-0.565245	-0.000010
5	6	0	-3.539925	0.591166	-0.000002
6	6	0	-2.933328	1.845436	0.000006
7	1	0	-1.103028	2.958528	0.000016
8	1	0	-3.226880	-1.544728	-0.000017
9	1	0	-4.619543	0.504176	-0.000005
10	1	0	-3.548334	2.737053	0.000012
11	6	0	0.733676	0.838295	0.000001
12	6	0	1.396370	-0.390125	-0.000005
13	6	0	1.551771	1.972367	0.000009
14	6	0	2.765678	-0.565068	-0.000006
15	6	0	2.933158	1.845623	0.000008
16	1	0	1.102788	2.958599	0.000014
17	6	0	3.539833	0.591390	0.000000
18	1	0	3.226925	-1.544521	-0.000012
19	1	0	3.548108	2.737278	0.000012
20	1	0	4.619456	0.504467	-0.000002
21	53	0	0.000041	-1.985244	-0.000018

**Table S5** M06-2X/6-311G(d) optimized coordinates of phenyl-2-carbomethoxyphenyl-bromonium cation **3**.

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	6	0	-2.199407	1.040597	-1.289508
2	6	0	-1.663241	0.004718	-0.538141
3	6	0	-2.106567	-0.346281	0.728895
4	6	0	-3.149203	0.398110	1.270025
5	6	0	-3.709913	1.447874	0.547651
6	6	0	-3.240950	1.767871	-0.723504
7	1	0	-1.825495	1.273303	-2.279090
8	1	0	-1.661985	-1.169047	1.275369
9	1	0	-3.523241	0.149973	2.255713
10	1	0	-4.524317	2.018815	0.977419
11	1	0	-3.686070	2.581428	-1.283010
12	6	0	1.325284	-0.031450	-0.697704
13	6	0	2.584203	-0.493239	-1.069609
14	6	0	1.116869	1.087284	0.079183
15	6	0	3.685849	0.234101	-0.618455
16	6	0	2.241431	1.789857	0.512266
17	1	0	0.125260	1.422989	0.352836
18	6	0	3.517277	1.367083	0.166494
19	1	0	4.673757	-0.109916	-0.897681
20	1	0	2.102171	2.672836	1.124291
21	1	0	4.383887	1.919325	0.507735
22	35	0	-0.253534	-1.039220	-1.320123
23	6	0	2.747113	-1.712768	-1.914243
24	8	0	1.798441	-2.348724	-2.310825
25	8	0	4.002411	-2.002578	-2.166708
26	6	0	4.229698	-3.171741	-2.979751
27	1	0	5.307200	-3.248659	-3.075724
28	1	0	3.815606	-4.047857	-2.483909
29	1	0	3.756980	-3.038673	-3.951238

**Table S6** M06-2X/6-311G(d) optimized coordinates of di-*p*-fluorophenylbromonium cation **4**.

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	6	0	2.003632	0.422063	1.226610
2	6	0	1.502478	0.014078	-0.000072
3	6	0	2.003823	0.422069	-1.226675
4	6	0	3.072148	1.306967	-1.218358
5	6	0	3.583135	1.734633	0.000093
6	6	0	3.071960	1.306959	1.218463
7	1	0	1.590199	0.065074	2.161644
8	1	0	1.590539	0.065081	-2.161774
9	1	0	3.513544	1.665815	-2.139797
10	1	0	3.513214	1.665803	2.139972
11	6	0	-1.502478	0.014078	-0.000072
12	6	0	-2.003632	0.422063	1.226610
13	6	0	-2.003822	0.422070	-1.226675
14	6	0	-3.071960	1.306959	1.218463
15	1	0	-1.590200	0.065074	2.161644
16	6	0	-3.072147	1.306968	-1.218358
17	1	0	-1.590538	0.065082	-2.161774
18	6	0	-3.583135	1.734633	0.000094
19	1	0	-3.513215	1.665802	2.139973
20	1	0	-3.513543	1.665816	-2.139797
21	35	0	0.000000	-1.201386	-0.000191
22	9	0	4.599264	2.579883	0.000174
23	9	0	-4.599264	2.579884	0.000174

**Table S7** M M06-2X/6-311G(d) optimized coordinates of  $\text{ClO}_4^-$ .

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	8	0	2.658838	2.526931	-0.031162
2	8	0	0.403990	3.489093	-0.067815
3	17	0	1.240299	2.317506	0.155535
4	8	0	0.899315	1.282996	-1.142212
5	8	0	0.874836	1.561716	1.345922

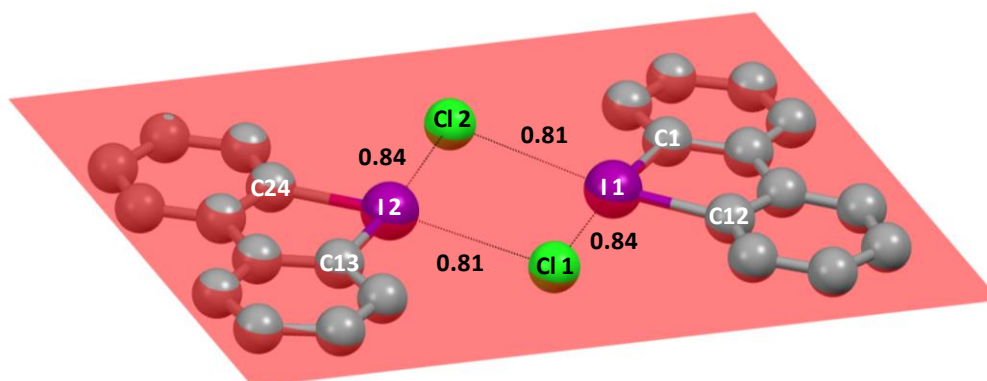
**Table S8** M06-2X/6-311G(d) optimized coordinates of  $\text{BF}_4^-$ .

Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	9	0	2.214808	3.493821	1.148901
2	9	0	2.214783	1.503865	0.000000
3	9	0	0.338651	2.830526	0.000000
4	9	0	2.214808	3.493821	-1.148902
5	5	0	1.745763	2.830508	0.000000

**Table S9** M06-2X/6-311G(d) optimized coordinates of  $\text{PF}_6^-$ .

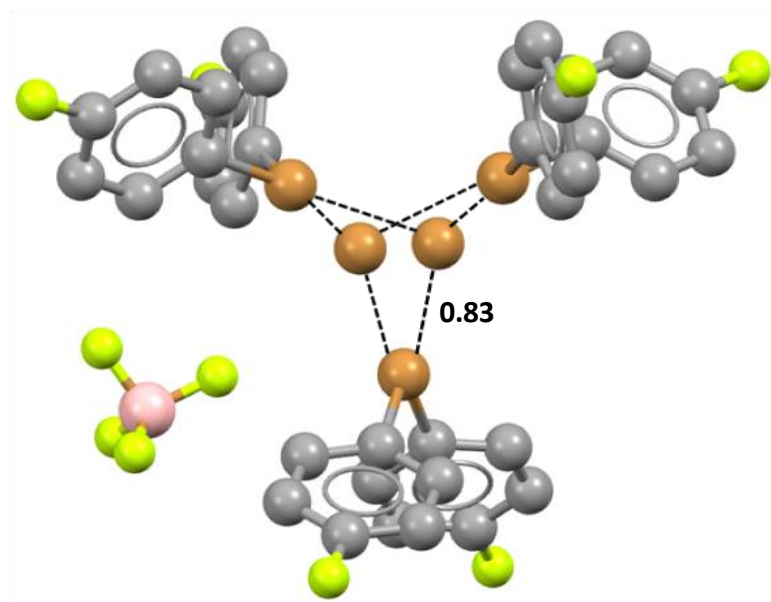
Center Number	Atomic Number	Atomic Type	Coordinates (Angstroms)		
			X	Y	Z
1	15	0	-0.762712	2.322034	0.000000
2	9	0	-2.387104	2.322034	0.000000
3	9	0	-0.762712	3.946426	0.000000
4	9	0	-0.762712	2.322034	1.624392
5	9	0	0.861680	2.322034	0.000000
6	9	0	-0.762712	0.697642	0.000000
7	9	0	-0.762712	2.322034	-1.624392



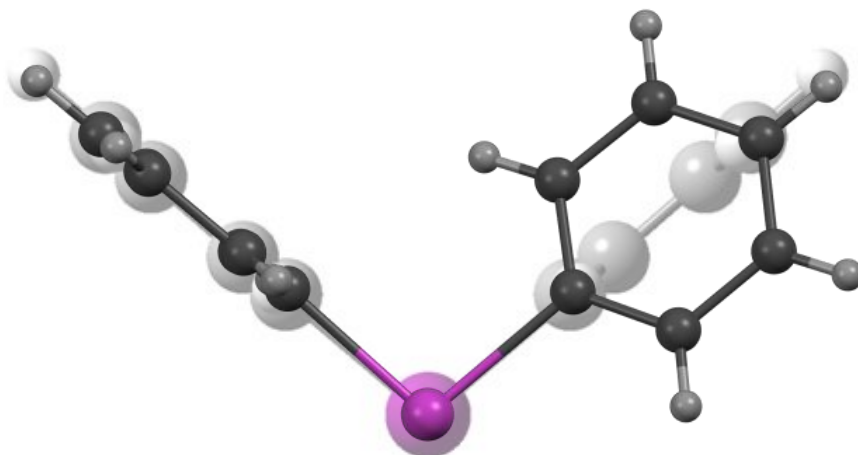


**C–I⋯Cl angles:** 172.81° (C1–I1⋯Cl1), 171.77° (C12–I1⋯Cl2)  
174.70° (C13–I2⋯Cl2), 170.32° (C24–I2⋯Cl1)

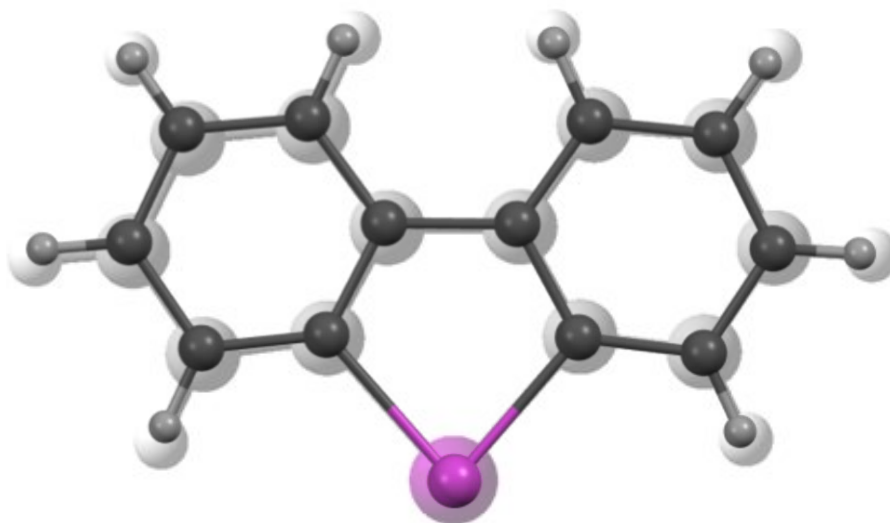
**Figure S1** Tetrameric adduct (Mercury 3.8, ball and stick) of the of dibenzo[b,d]iodolium chloride ( $2 \cdot \text{Cl}^-$ ). The mean square plane (semitransparent red) through I1, Cl1, I2, and Cl2 evidences that chloride anions enter the elongation of C–I covalent bonds. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for simplicity; XBs are black dotted lines and respective of  $N_c$  values and angles are given close to interactions and at the bottom, respectively. Color codes: Grey, carbon; green, chlorine; purple, iodine.



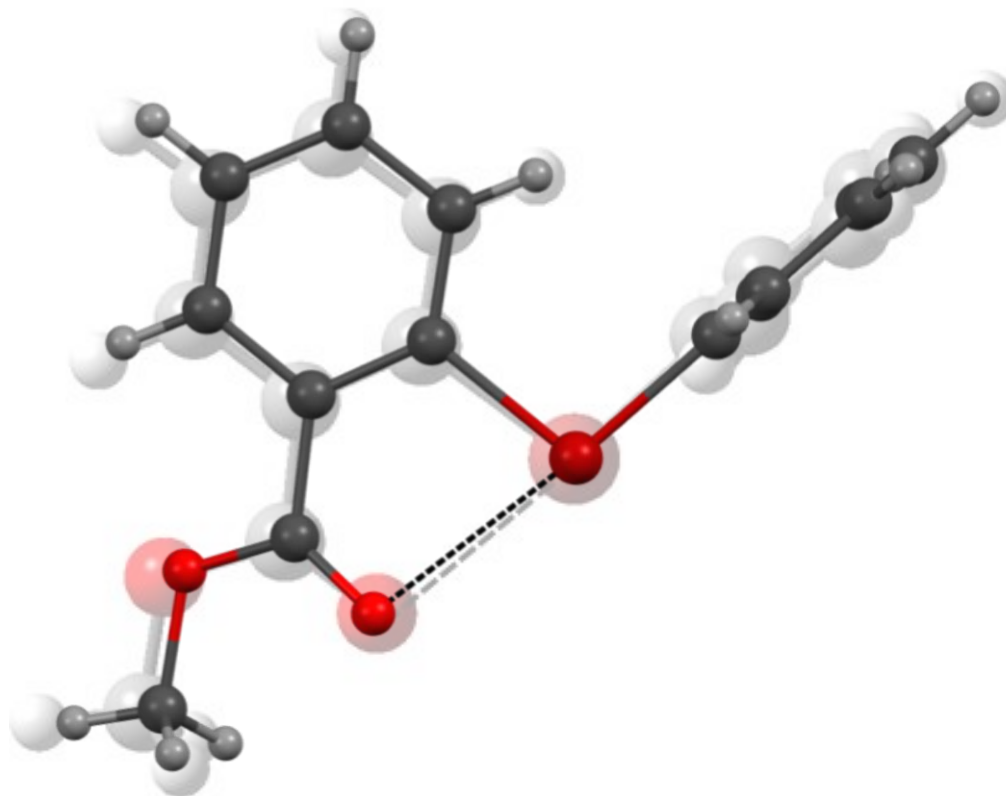
**Figure S2** Representation (Mercury 3.8, ball and stick) of the trigonal bipyramidal adduct present in  $4_3 \cdot (\text{Br}^-)_2 \cdot \text{BF}_4^-$ .  $\text{Br} \cdots \text{Br}^-$  XBs are black dashed lines and corresponding Nc values are given; hydrogen atoms have been omitted for simplicity. Color code: Grey, carbon; yellowish green, fluorine; brown, bromine; pink, bromine.



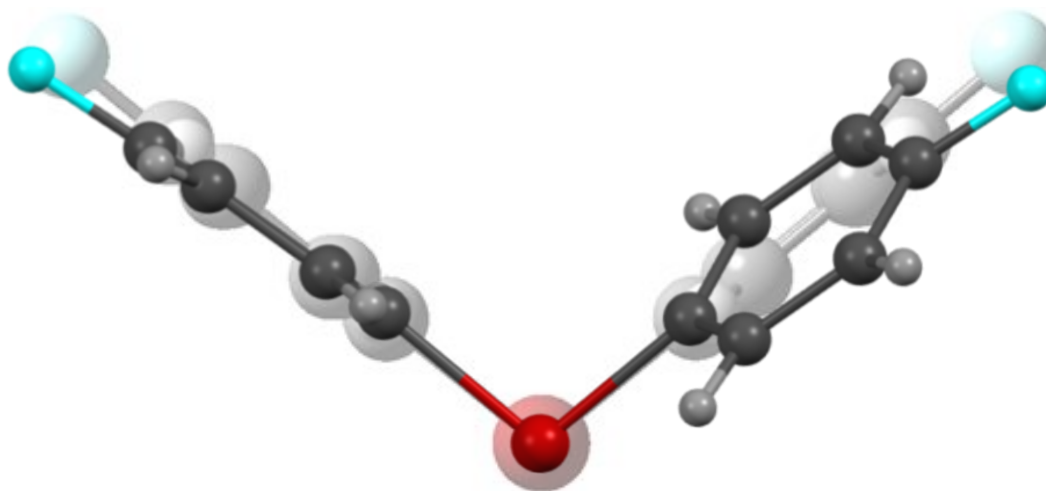
**Figure S3** Superposition of the ball and stick structure of diphenyliodonium cation **1** calculated with Gaussian 09 (atoms and bonds with larger sizes and lighter colors in the background) and the X-ray experimental structure (atoms and bonds with smaller sizes and darker colors at the forefront) of the same cation in  $\mathbf{1}\cdot\text{ClO}_4^-$  (molecule where the C–I $\cdots$ O angles are 169.52° and 170.97°). Color code: Dark grey, carbon; light grey, hydrogen; purple, iodine.



**Figure S4** Superposition of the ball and stick structure of dibenzo[b,d]iodonium cation **2** calculated with Gaussian 09 (atoms and bonds with larger sizes and lighter colors in the background) and the X-ray experimental structure (atoms and bonds with smaller sizes and darker colors at the forefront) of the same cation in  $\mathbf{2}\cdot\text{Cl}^-$ . Color code: Dark grey, carbon; light grey, hydrogen; purple, iodine.



**Figure S5** Superposition of the ball and stick structure of phenyl-2-methoxycarbonylphenylbromonium cation **3** calculated with Gaussian 09 (atoms and bonds with larger sizes and lighter colors in the background) and the X-ray experimental structure (atoms and bonds with smaller sizes and darker colors at the forefront) of the same cation in **3**•BF<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>. Color code: Dark grey, carbon; light grey, hydrogen; brownish, bromine; red, oxygen.



**Figure S6** Superposition of the ball and stick structure of di-*p*-fluorophenylbromonium cation **3** calculated with Gaussian 09 (atoms and bonds with larger sizes and lighter colors in the background) and the X-ray experimental structure (atoms and bonds with smaller sizes and darker colors at the forefront) of the same cation in  $\mathbf{4}_3 \cdot (\text{Cl}^-)_2 \cdot \text{BF}_4^-$ . Color code: Dark grey, carbon; light grey, hydrogen; brownish, bromine; sky blue, fluorine.