

Electronic Supplementary Information for

Theoretical Investigations of Ferrocene/Ferrocenium Solvation in Imidazolium-Based Room-Temperature Ionic Liquids

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Results of NBO analysis are presented below. Table S1 shows orbital interactions for the Fc—BF₄⁻ and Fc⁺—BF₄⁻ complexes. Figures S1 and S2 depict the electron density contour maps for the Fc⁺—BF₄⁻ complexes.

Table S1. NBO analysis of orbital interactions for the Fc—BF₄⁻ and Fc⁺—BF₄⁻ complexes.

Donor	Acceptor	E(2) (kcal/mol)
Fc—BF₄⁻ side		
LP(F23)	σ*(C3-H13)	0.74
LP(F23)	π*(C2-C3)	0.13
LP(F23)	σ*(C4-H14)	0.26
LP(F23)	π*(C4-C5)	0.10
LP(F24)	σ*(C10-H20)	0.73
LP(F24)	π*(C10-C11)	0.13
LP(F24)	σ*(C9-H19)	0.26
LP(F24)	π*(C8-C9)	0.10
LP(F25)	σ*(C9-H19)	1.87
LP(F25)	σ*(C4-H14)	1.88
	Total	6.20
Fc⁺—BF₄⁻ side		
LP(F23)	σ*(C3-H13)	0.76
LP(F23)	π*(C2-C3)	0.20
LP(F23)	σ*(C4-H14)	0.72
LP(F23)	π*(C4-C5)	0.22
LP(F24)	σ*(C3-H13)	0.88
LP(F24)	π*(C3-C4)	0.04
LP(F24)	σ*(C10-H20)	0.94
LP(F24)	π*(C10-C11)	0.39
LP(F24)	π*(C8-C9)	0.16
LP(F25)	σ*(C4-H14)	1.89
LP(F25)	π*(C3-C4)	0.06
LP(F25)	σ*(C9-H19)	3.98
LP(F25)	π*(C9-C10)	0.06
	Total	10.3
Fc⁺—BF₄⁻ top		
LP(F24)	π*(C2-C3)	1.30
LP(F26)	π*(C2-C3)	1.30
	Total	2.60

Note: For all atom labeling, please refer to Figures 5, 10, and 11 in the main context.

Figure Captions

Figure S1. Electron density contour map for the “side” binding $\text{Fc}^+—\text{BF}_4^-$ projected on the plane defined by H14, H19, and F25.

Figure S2. Electron density contour map for the “top” binding $\text{Fc}^+—\text{BF}_4^-$ projected on the plane defined by H12, H13, and F24.

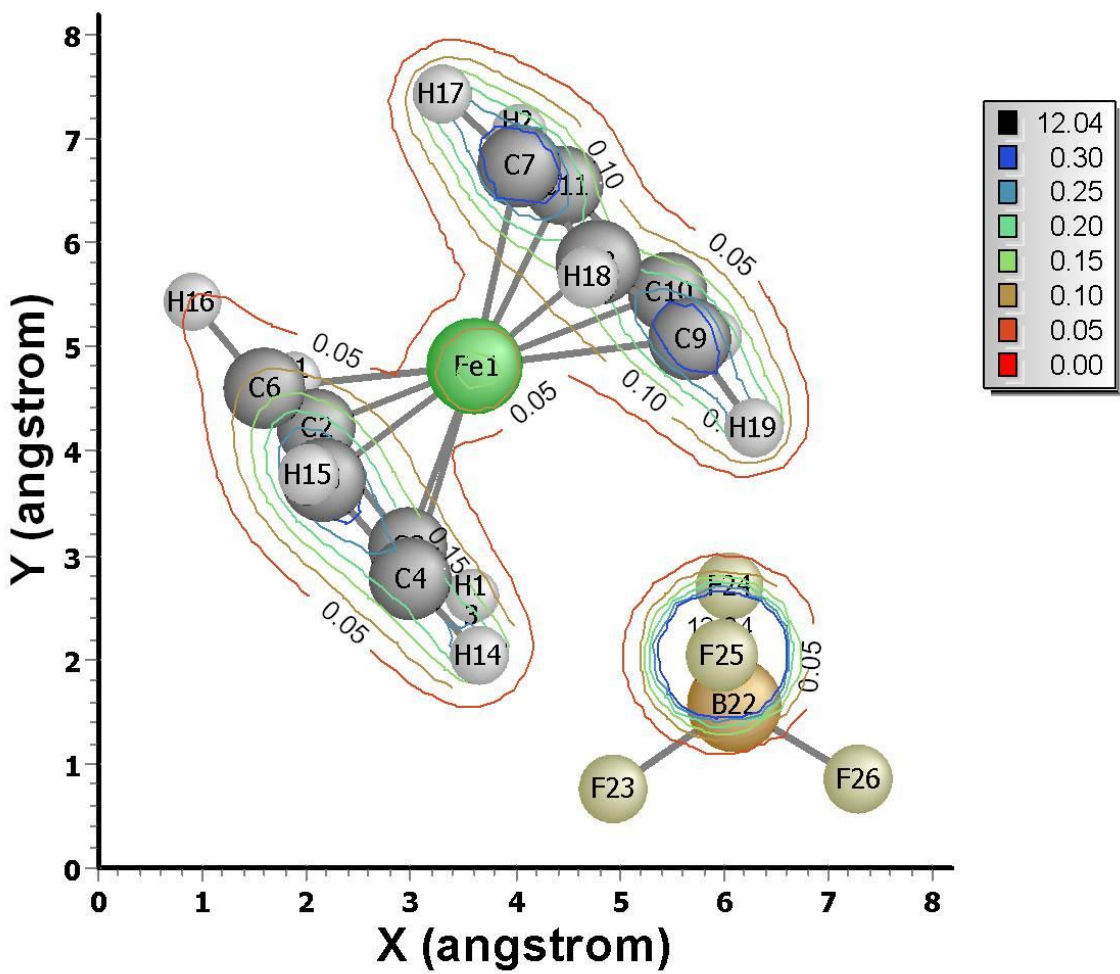


Figure S1

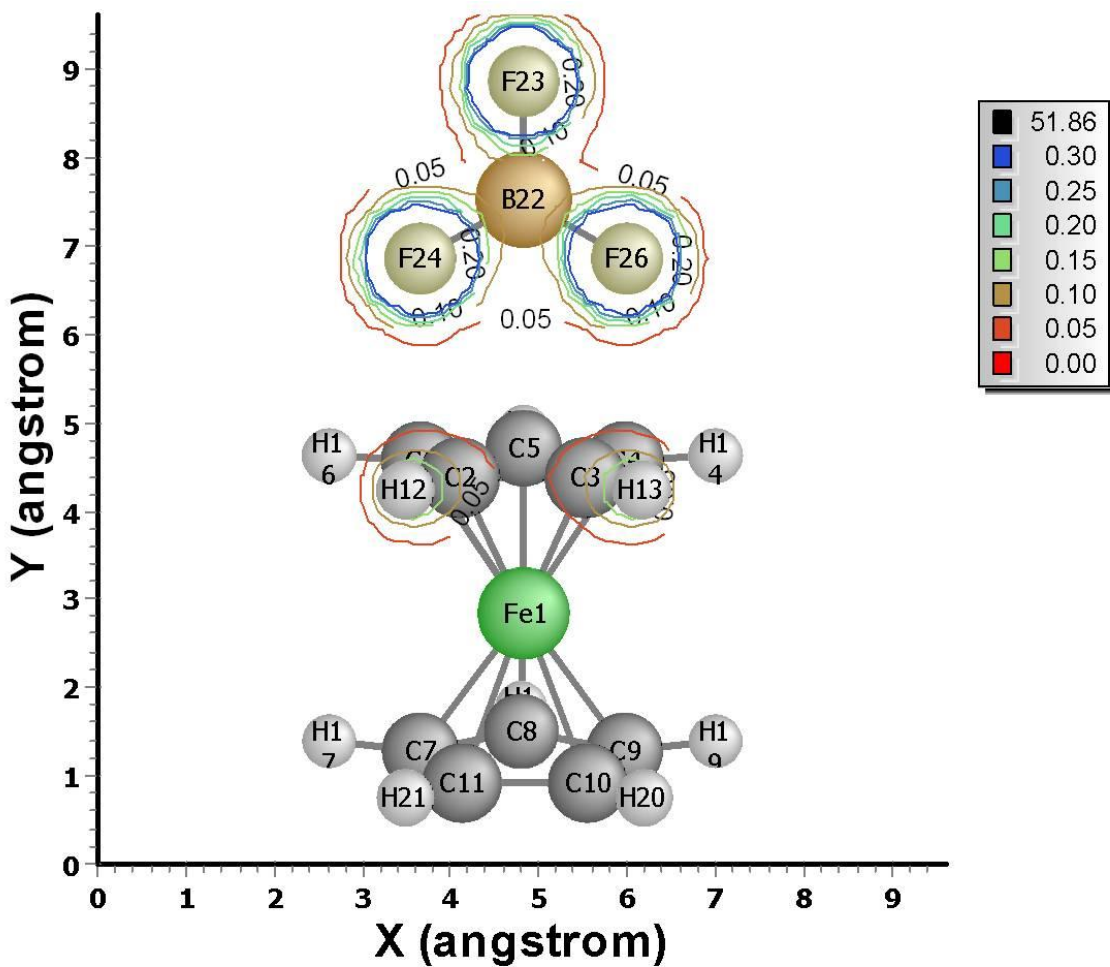


Figure S2