

Supplementary Information

Remarkable effects of substitution on stability of complexes and origin of the C-H \cdots O(N) hydrogen bonds formed between acetone's derivative and CO₂, XCN (X = F, Cl, Br)

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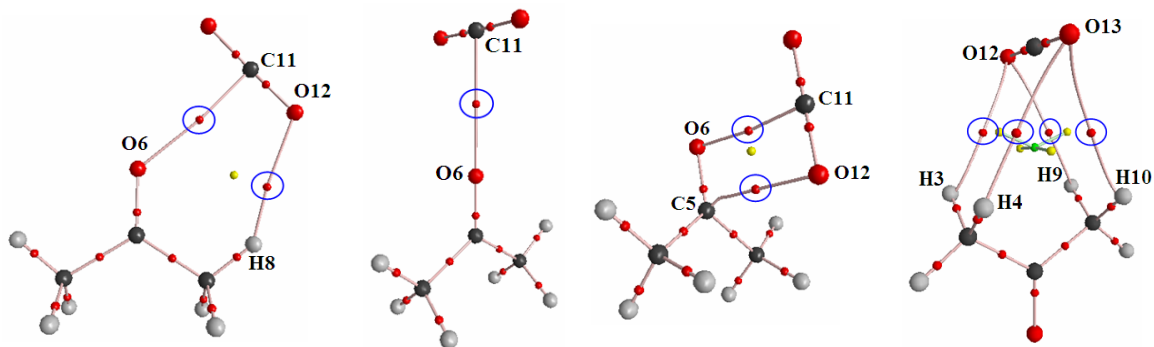


Figure S1. Topological geometries of four complexes **H1**, **H2**, **H3** and **H4**

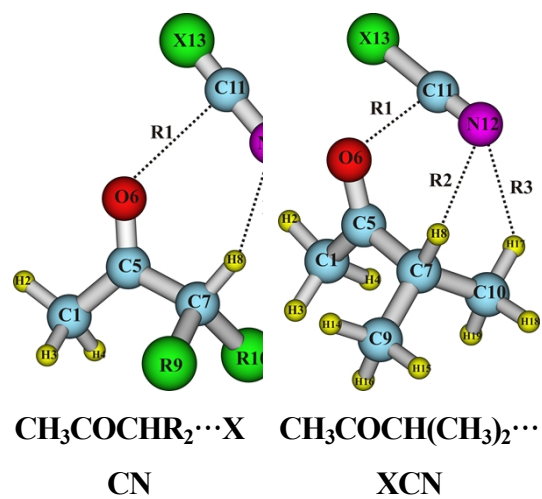


Figure S2. The stable geometric structures of the complexes between $\text{CH}_3\text{COCHR}_2$ ($\text{R} = \text{F}, \text{Cl}, \text{Br}$) and XCN ($\text{F}, \text{Cl}, \text{Br}$)

Table S1. Electron density and Laplacian at BCPs in the CH₃COCH₃⋯CO₂ complexes (all in electron)

	H1	H2	H3	H4
ρ(>O6⋯C11)	0.0093	0.0090	0.0084	
ρ(>O12⋯C5)			0.0081	
ρ(O12⋯H8)	0.0062			
ρ(O12⋯H3,9)				0.0041
ρ(O13⋯H4,10)				0.0041
∇ ² (>O6⋯C11)	0.0384	0.0435	0.0314	
∇ ² (>O12⋯C5)			0.0312	
∇ ² (O12⋯H8)	0.0218			
∇ ² (O12⋯H3,9)				0.0150
∇ ² (O13⋯H4,10)				0.0150

Table S2. Electron density and Laplacian at BCP of O⋯H and >C=O⋯C intermolecular contacts in the CH₃COCHR₂⋯CO₂ complexes (all in electron)

R	CH ₃ COCHR ₂ ⋯CO ₂				
	H	CH ₃	F	Cl	Br
ρ(>O6⋯C11)	0.0093	0.0098	0.0081	0.0085	0.0086
ρ(O12⋯H8)	0.0062	0.0054	0.0075	0.0095	0.0099
ρ(O12⋯H17)		0.0048			
∇ ² (>O6⋯C11)	0.0384	0.0397	0.0332	0.0347	0.0350
∇ ² (O12⋯H8)	0.0218	0.0196	0.0268	0.0342	0.0354
∇ ² (O12⋯H17)		0.0176			

Table S3. An NBO analysis for the CH₃COCHR₂⋯CO₂ complexes at MP2/6-311++G(2d,2p)

R	CH ₃ COCHR ₂ ⋯CO ₂				
	EDT/e	Δσ*(C7-H8)/e	Δ% <i>s</i> (C7)	E(n(O6)→π*(C11=O12,13)), kJ.mol ⁻¹	E(n(O12)→σ*(C7H8)), kJ.mol ⁻¹
H	0.0014	0.0009	0.34	6.5	2.3
CH ₃	0.0012	0.0004	0.12	6.4	1.0
		0.0001 ^{a)}	0.19 ^{b)}		0.6*
F	-0.0002	-0.0002	0.44	4.6	4.4
Cl	-0.0009	-0.0003	0.61	5.1	4.8
Br	-0.0012	-0.0002	0.66	5.1	5.2

^{a)}for the C10-H17 bond and ^{b)}for the C10(H17) atom

Table S4. Electron density and Laplacian at BCP of O...H and >C=O...C intermolecular contacts in the CH₃COCHR₂...XCN complexes (all in electron)

R	CH ₃ COCHR ₂ ...FCN				
	H	CH ₃	F	Cl	Br
ρ(>O6...C11)	0.0104	0.0109	0.0095	0.0100	0.0101
ρ(N12...H8)	0.0075	0.0060	0.0092	0.0119	0.0125
ρ(N12...H17)		0.0056			
∇ ² (>O6...C11)	0.0410	0.0422	0.0358	0.0375	0.0379
∇ ² (N12...H8)	0.0254	0.0200	0.0320	0.0413	0.0432
∇ ² (N12...H17)		0.0188			
CH ₃ COCHR ₂ ...ClCN					
ρ(>O6...C11)	0.0074	0.0075	0.0068	0.0072	0.0072
ρ(N12...H8)	0.0077	0.0063	0.0098	0.0128	0.0134
ρ(N12...H17)		0.0059			
∇ ² (>O6...C11)	0.0297	0.0290	0.0253	0.0264	0.0265
∇ ² (N12...H8)	0.0259	0.0210	0.0338	0.0443	0.0463
∇ ² (N12...H17)		0.0197			
CH ₃ COCHR ₂ ...BrCN					
ρ(>O6...C11)	0.0072	0.0073	0.0065	0.0068	0.0068
ρ(N12...H8)	0.0079	0.0066	0.0101	0.0132	0.0137
ρ(N12...H17)		0.0061			
∇ ² (>O6...C11)	0.0264	0.0265	0.0235	0.0245	0.0245
∇ ² (N12...H8)	0.0263	0.0218	0.0348	0.0456	0.0475
∇ ² (N12...H17)		0.0202			

Table S5. An NBO analysis for all the complexes at MP2/6-311++G(2d,2p)

	CH₃COCHR₂···XCN				
	EDT/e	$\Delta\sigma^*(\text{C7-H8})/\text{e}$	$\Delta\%s(\text{C7})$	$E(n(\text{O6}) \rightarrow \pi^*(\text{C11}=\text{N12})),$ kJ.mol ⁻¹	$E(n(\text{N12}) \rightarrow \sigma^*(\text{C7H8})),$ kJ.mol ⁻¹
R = H, X = F	0.0021	0.0018	0.64	8.4 (1.6)	3.4
R = H, X = Cl	-0.0026	0.0022	0.68	3.5	3.5
R = H, X = Br	-0.0025	0.0021	0.63	3.3	3.7
R = CH ₃ , X = F	0.0022	0.0005	0.26	7.8 (1.5)	1.5
		0.0001 ^{a)}	0.34 ^{b)}		
R = CH ₃ , X = Cl	-0.0024	0.0006	0.31	3.3	1.7
		0.0002 ^{a)}	0.31 ^{b)}		
R = CH ₃ , X = Br	-0.0026	0.0006	0.33	3.0	2.1
		0.0002 ^{a)}	0.31 ^{b)}		
R = F, X = F	-0.0011	0.0003	0.86	6.4 (1.0)	7.4
R = F, X = Cl	-0.0048	0.0008	0.94	3.0	7.5
R = F, X = Br	-0.0050	0.0009	0.97	2.6	7.7
R = Cl, X = F	-0.0033	0.0007	1.23	6.9 (1.1)	11.0
R = Cl, X = Cl	-0.0077	0.0014	1.36	3.2	11.7
R = Cl, X = Br	-0.0081	0.0015	1.42	2.8	12.1
R = Br, X = F	-0.0039	0.0010	1.36	7.1 (1.1)	11.3
R = Br, X = Cl	-0.0082	0.0017	1.48	3.2	11.5
R = Br, X = Br	-0.0085	0.0019	1.53	2.7	11.8

Note: The values in brackets for intermolecular hyperconjugation interaction $E(n(\text{O6}) \rightarrow \pi^*(\text{C11}-\text{F13}))$, ^{a)}for the C10-H17 bond and ^{b)}for the C10(H17) atom