

Supplementary Material

Elimination of ethene from 1,2-diiodoethane induced by N-heterocyclic carbene halogen bonding

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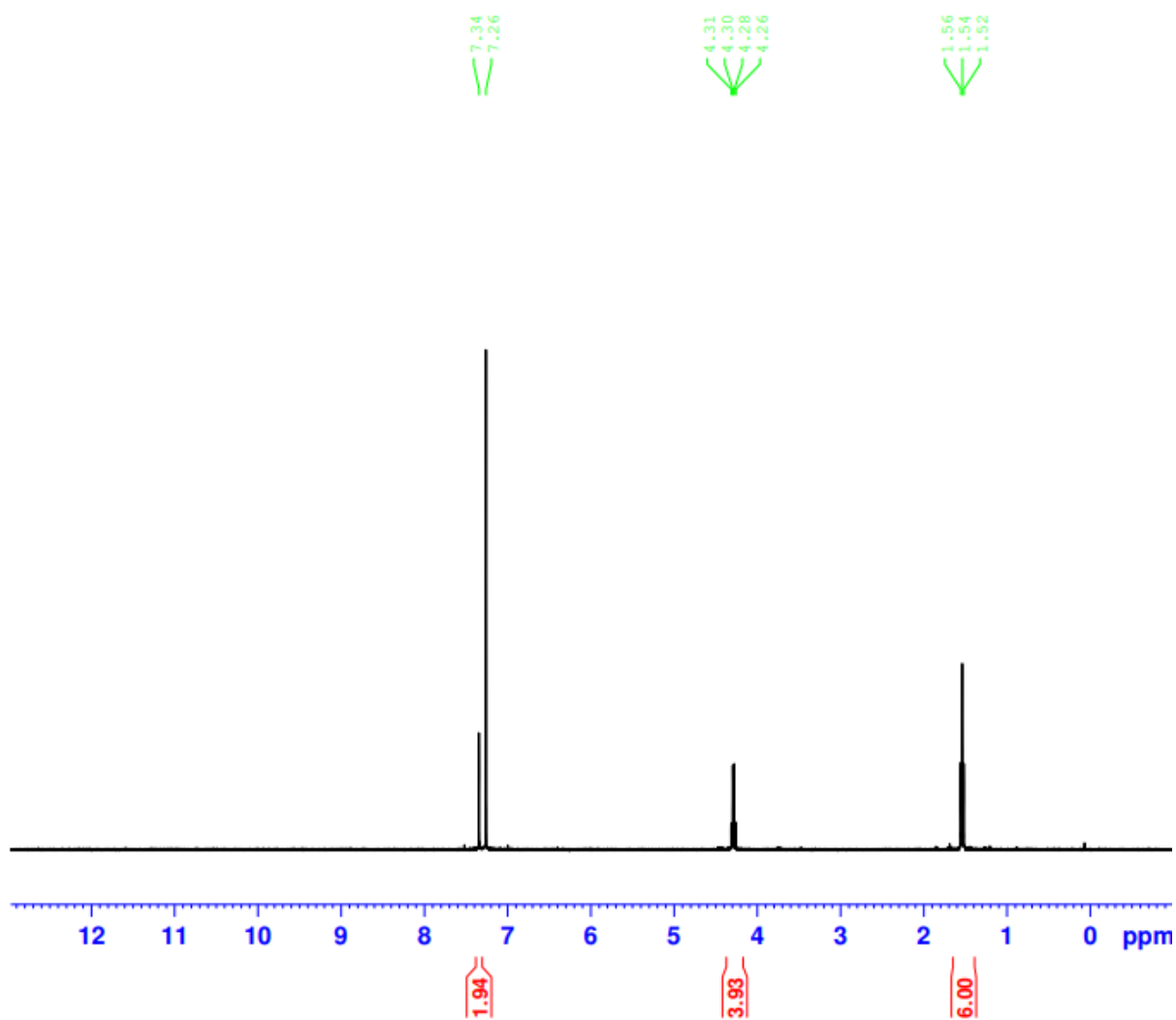


Figure S1. Proton-NMR spectrum of 1,3-diethyl-2-iodoimidazolium iodide in CDCl_3 .

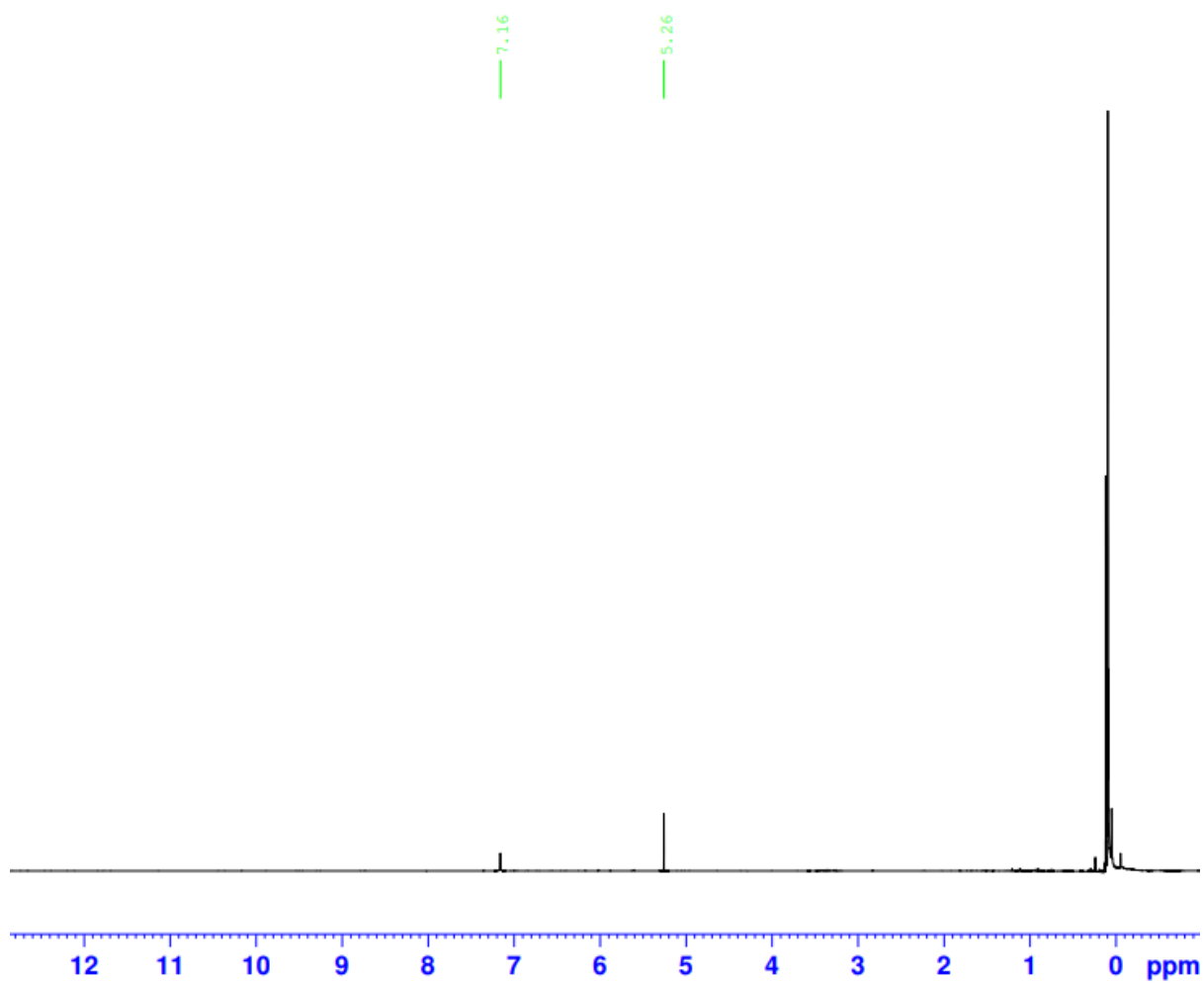


Figure S2. Proton-NMR spectrum of ethylene in C_6D_6 .

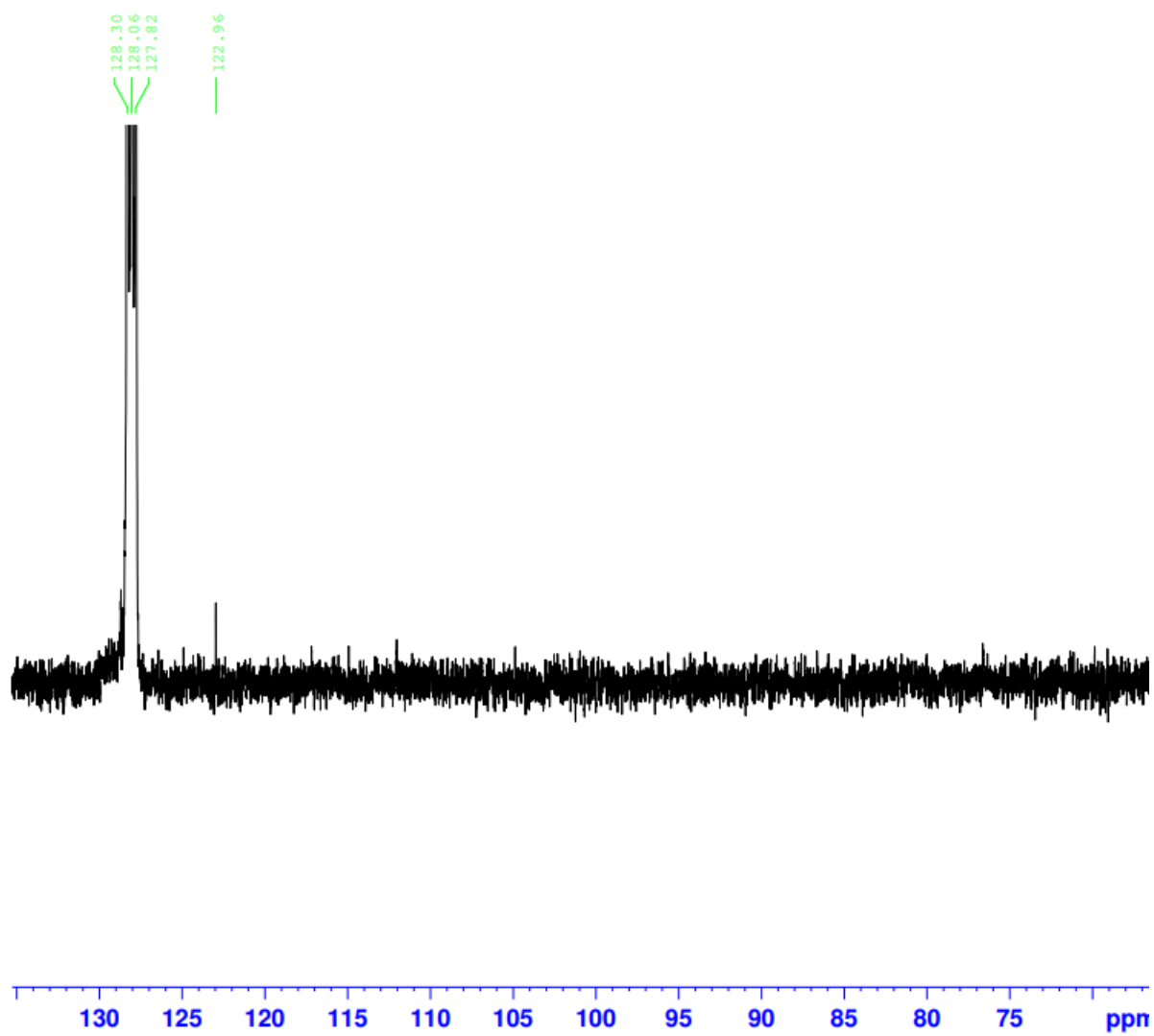


Figure S3. Carbon-NMR spectrum of ethylene in C_6D_6 .

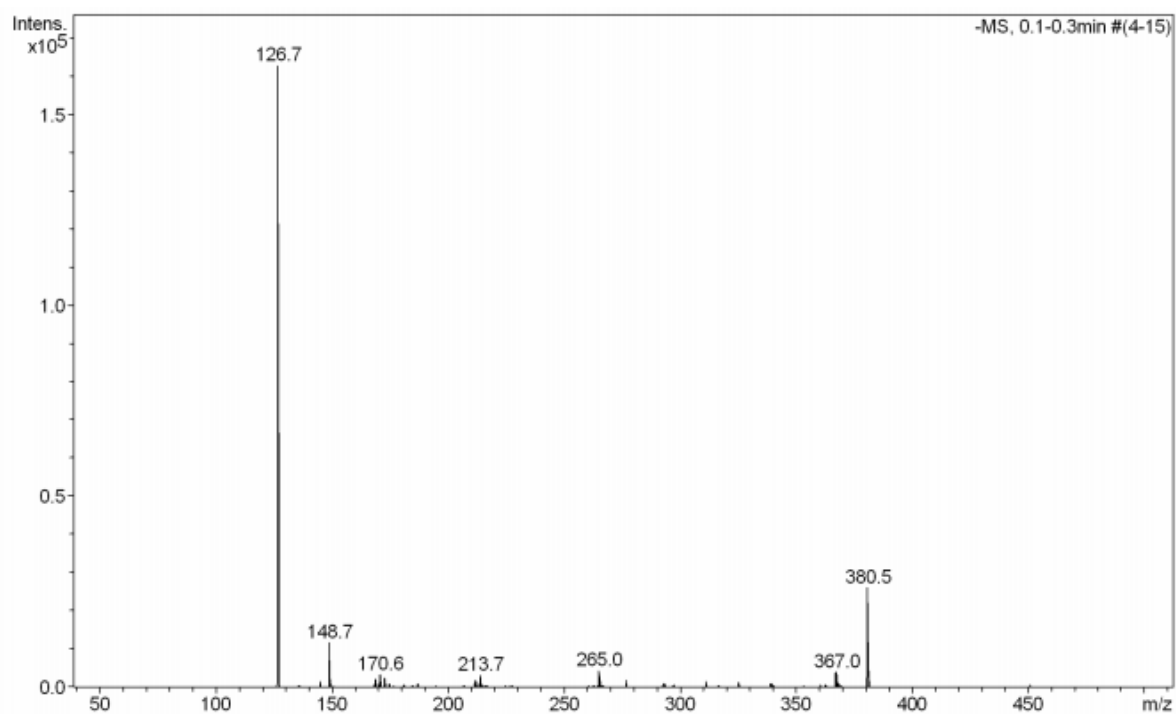


Figure S4. Negative ion mass spectrum of 1,3-diethyl-2-iodoimidazolium iodide.

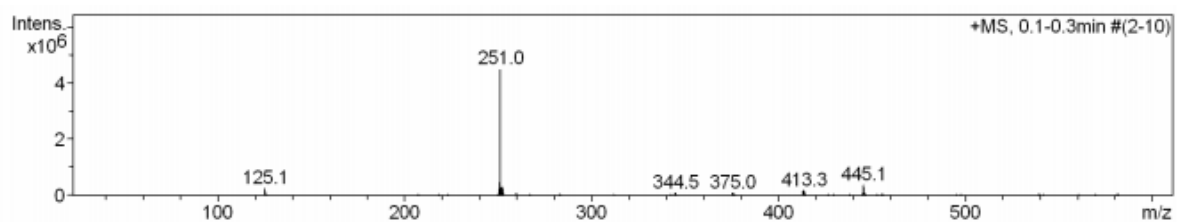


Figure S5. Positive ion mass spectrum of 1,3-diethyl-2-iodoimidazolium iodide.

Cartesian coordinates of B3LYP-D3(BJ/def2-TZVP (SMD, Acn) Optimized Geometries.

Unsaturated-NHC^{Me}

Electronic Energy = -304.9564862

Thermal Corr. to Free Energy = 0.095208

C	0.00000000	0.98002200	-0.00034100
C	0.67646900	-1.19747700	0.00005900
C	-0.67646900	-1.19747700	0.00000000
H	1.38325500	-2.00916500	0.00021100
H	-1.38325500	-2.00916500	0.00010600
N	1.06270900	0.13142900	-0.00004200
N	-1.06270900	0.13142900	-0.00003700
C	2.45181200	0.55523500	0.00009300
H	2.96310500	0.18129100	0.88801600
H	2.96359700	0.18001600	-0.88700100
H	2.48345700	1.64124200	-0.00067700
C	-2.45181200	0.55523500	0.00010700
H	-2.96359300	0.18004100	-0.88699900
H	-2.96310900	0.18126600	0.88801900
H	-2.48345700	1.64124200	-0.00063300

NHC-H

Electronic Energy = -305.459769781

Thermal Corr. to Free Energy = 0.109572

C	0.00000600	-0.86289100	0.00000000
C	-0.00002100	1.23395900	0.67910000
C	-0.00002100	1.23395900	-0.67910000
H	-0.00002000	2.04278900	1.38766000
H	-0.00002000	2.04278900	-1.38766000
N	-0.00002100	-0.08447100	1.08059000
N	-0.00002100	-0.08447100	-1.08059000
C	0.00002500	-0.55005100	2.46309000
H	0.89073900	-0.18088300	2.96752000
H	-0.89013100	-0.18001900	2.96785000
H	-0.00049800	-1.63611100	2.46345000
C	0.00002500	-0.55005100	-2.46309000
H	-0.89013100	-0.18001900	-2.96785000
H	0.89073900	-0.18088300	-2.96752000
H	-0.00049800	-1.63611100	-2.46345000
H	0.00001200	-1.93850100	0.00000000

Vinyl iodide

Electronic Energy = -375.833432119

Thermal Corr. to Free Energy = 0.013933

C	-0.44685100	-2.42779800	0.00000000
H	-1.51124200	-2.22956500	0.00000000
H	-0.12954800	-3.46614200	0.00000000
C	0.46507400	-1.47305300	0.00000000
H	1.53145600	-1.65135800	0.00000000
I	0.00000000	0.58023000	0.00000000

1,2-diiodoethane

Electronic Energy = -674.284525039

Thermal Corr. to Free Energy = 0.023462

C	-0.51179000	0.54349100	0.00000000
H	-1.12500600	0.55911700	0.89353200
H	-1.12500600	0.55911700	-0.89353200
C	0.51179000	-0.54349100	0.00000000
H	1.12500600	-0.55911700	-0.89353200
H	1.12500600	-0.55911700	0.89353200
I	0.51179000	2.48162100	0.00000000
I	-0.51179000	-2.48162100	0.00000000

Elimination (Iodine) - TS

Electronic Energy = -979.217016445

Thermal Corr. to Free Energy = 0.128632

C	-2.69395100	-0.63537700	0.22373700
C	-4.67253200	-1.55316400	-0.33261300
C	-4.92761000	-0.47707400	0.44970700
H	-5.33447300	-2.25828300	-0.80415300
H	-5.85623000	-0.05847300	0.79610700
N	-3.29715200	-1.62978600	-0.45454300
N	-3.69967000	0.06742400	0.77839700
C	-2.59282300	-2.64293700	-1.22585300
H	-2.85788500	-3.63616700	-0.86507300

H	-2.85573300	-2.56047700	-2.28018300
H	-1.52414300	-2.48819800	-1.10711300
C	-3.51928800	1.24634400	1.61172700
H	-4.02807700	2.09941500	1.16395700
H	-3.92559800	1.06585500	2.60660700
H	-2.45697800	1.46029300	1.68538700
C	0.06109000	-0.07643100	0.56476700
C	0.88200900	-1.11655200	0.04395700
I	0.13628300	1.79578900	-0.50258300
I	3.29629900	-0.80690500	0.25604700
H	-1.22884000	-0.40701900	0.38068700
H	0.17778000	0.15226900	1.61969700
H	0.87732900	-1.27494200	-1.02629300
H	0.84238700	-2.03746200	0.61716700

S_N2 (Iodine) - TS

Electronic Energy = -979.238695749

Thermal Corr. to Free Energy = 0.134204

C	-3.34206500	0.02744500	-0.09310400
C	-5.44700800	0.78252200	-0.34066600
C	-5.49159600	-0.56906200	-0.38668700
H	-6.22576400	1.52047000	-0.42175600
H	-6.31709600	-1.24720000	-0.51385200
N	-4.11927500	1.12674200	-0.15901400
N	-4.18962300	-1.01136300	-0.23313100
C	-3.64781800	2.50032700	-0.06629300
H	-3.85968500	3.02848400	-0.99559300
H	-4.14811700	3.00656600	0.75844400
H	-2.57677900	2.49184400	0.10972400
C	-3.81230900	-2.41675000	-0.21360600
H	-4.24853700	-2.90692800	0.65647800
H	-4.16927300	-2.90507400	-1.11945100
H	-2.73027500	-2.48831500	-0.16507700
C	1.43772700	-0.21525900	0.87131100
C	2.08027500	0.08109700	-0.36694800
I	-0.88051200	-0.07474500	0.30402300
I	4.55302100	0.03361600	-0.17193700
H	1.53691000	0.52756300	1.65499100
H	1.53429600	-1.23309600	1.23246400
H	2.03074000	1.09982200	-0.72658900
H	2.02961300	-0.66384700	-1.14936100

Halogen bonding (iodine) - TS

Electronic Energy = -979.222025491

Thermal Corr. to Free Energy = 0.136279

C	2.00672300	-1.31476500	0.42274000
C	4.09267300	-1.07360300	-0.42838800
C	4.03213200	-0.34184900	0.70880800
H	4.89736300	-1.23441700	-1.12455400
H	4.77385900	0.26213500	1.20181200
N	2.84709900	-1.65631700	-0.58191300
N	2.75106300	-0.50158200	1.20743200
C	2.48808200	-2.51487700	-1.69822500
H	2.56554700	-1.96554700	-2.63682300
H	3.15156000	-3.37882600	-1.73487300
H	1.46525800	-2.85366400	-1.56044100
C	2.28631500	0.12302900	2.43495500
H	2.86885400	-0.23960900	3.28223300
H	2.38863100	1.20524900	2.36514500
H	1.24118300	-0.12921700	2.58492500
C	-0.10068400	0.01971900	-1.06979300
H	-0.90078200	0.07173700	-1.79869400
H	0.82802800	-0.20062100	-1.58284300
C	-0.38397700	-0.96053800	0.02144600
H	-0.30590700	-0.70258300	1.05607300
H	-0.40082100	-2.00464700	-0.23642400
I	0.13903200	2.04042700	-0.33923900
I	-2.93691000	-0.85830200	0.21577800

NHC-iodoethane adduct

Electronic Energy = -681.33966547

Thermal Corr. to Free Energy = 0.145763

C	0.78805300	-1.64961300	0.00000000
C	0.78220300	-3.76095700	0.67843900
C	0.78220300	-3.76095700	-0.67843900
H	0.78350200	-4.56849800	1.38794400
H	0.78350200	-4.56849800	-1.38794400
N	0.78220300	-2.44332400	1.08043900
N	0.78220300	-2.44332400	-1.08043900
C	0.77849100	-1.98378300	2.46697200
H	0.73383700	-2.85740400	3.10984900
H	1.68904300	-1.42468800	2.67363000
H	-0.09085300	-1.35420000	2.64373800
C	0.77849100	-1.98378300	-2.46697200
H	1.68904300	-1.42468800	-2.67363000
H	0.73383700	-2.85740400	-3.10984900
H	-0.09085300	-1.35420000	-2.64373800
C	0.74925300	-0.16502800	0.00000000
H	1.27464200	0.20491800	-0.87910800
H	1.27464200	0.20491800	0.87910800
C	-0.69451400	0.32694800	0.00000000
H	-1.23326100	0.02180400	-0.89093700
H	-1.23326100	0.02180400	0.89093700
I	-0.77452400	2.49105100	0.00000000

NHC-iodine adduct

Electronic Energy = -602.653993729

Thermal Corr. to Free Energy = 0.094221

N	-1.37160500	-1.08523200	-0.00002000
C	-2.68821500	0.67829700	-0.00000400
C	-2.68821500	0.67829700	-0.00000100
N	-1.37160500	1.08523200	-0.00002000
C	-0.58352200	0.00000000	0.00000000
H	-3.49589500	-1.38765500	-0.00001700
H	-3.49589500	1.38765500	-0.00001300
C	-0.91848100	-2.47221900	0.00003000
C	-0.91848100	2.47221900	0.00002900
H	-1.79615700	-3.11095400	-0.00031400
H	-0.32286400	-2.66314600	0.89037700
H	-0.32226100	-2.66301300	-0.88993900
H	-1.79615700	3.11095400	-0.00031300
H	-0.32226200	2.66301300	-0.88994000
H	-0.32286200	2.66314600	0.89037500
I	1.46902500	0.00000000	-0.00000500

Ethene

Electronic Energy = -78.6293597755

Thermal Corr. to Free Energy = 0.02996

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C	0.00000000	0.00000000	-0.66309400
H	0.00000000	0.92267500	-1.23311500
H	0.00000000	-0.92267500	-1.23311500
H	0.00000000	-0.92267500	1.23311500
H	0.00000000	0.92267500	1.23311500

1,2-dibromoethane

Electronic Energy = -5227.04881659

Thermal Corr. to Free Energy = 0.026303

C	-0.49705900	0.56255300	0.00000000
H	-1.11412200	0.58190200	0.89230200
H	-1.11412200	0.58190200	-0.89230200
C	0.49705900	-0.56255300	0.00000000
H	1.11412200	-0.58190200	-0.89230200
H	1.11412200	-0.58190200	0.89230200
Br	0.49705900	2.28131400	0.00000000
Br	-0.49705900	-2.28131400	0.00000000

Elimination (bromine) - TS

Electronic Energy = -5531.97952656

Thermal Corr. to Free Energy = 0.131564

C	-2.21474400	-0.30373000	0.14271000
C	-4.19978300	-1.29531300	-0.21973400
C	-4.43931900	-0.12064600	0.41110400
H	-4.87041800	-2.06075500	-0.56896800
H	-5.36033600	0.34136000	0.72075300
N	-2.82835600	-1.38548400	-0.37047700

N	-3.20636100	0.46746600	0.62444700
C	-2.14012100	-2.49854200	-1.00715900
H	-2.36451300	-3.42526900	-0.47996100
H	-2.45811900	-2.58830300	-2.04545500
H	-1.07069300	-2.31187200	-0.97242500
C	-3.00893000	1.75554900	1.27134900
H	-3.49520600	2.54120800	0.69372900
H	-3.42769700	1.73501600	2.27685300
H	-1.94323100	1.95731500	1.32645500
C	0.55693500	0.18613900	0.48571000
C	1.33706900	-0.95824000	0.12811800
Br	0.76994900	1.73939200	-0.71571500
Br	3.50224000	-0.81804500	0.38208300
H	-0.81042200	-0.10970200	0.29974600
H	0.69051900	0.55519700	1.49859900
H	1.31830200	-1.24730800	-0.91530800
H	1.16155900	-1.79921500	0.79270800

S_N2 (bromine) - TS

Electronic Energy = -5531.98146568

Thermal Corr. to Free Energy = 0.134079

C	-2.64335800	-0.01483000	-0.05984800
C	-4.78832400	0.57716900	-0.29877800
C	-4.73844700	-0.77480000	-0.26296000
H	-5.61745100	1.25369000	-0.40859600
H	-5.51542200	-1.51523600	-0.33622900
N	-3.48461400	1.02576800	-0.17346300
N	-3.40560700	-1.11899300	-0.11624200
C	-3.10440300	2.43117200	-0.14082100
H	-3.61672200	2.96051200	-0.94180900
H	-3.37831800	2.86988300	0.81844600
H	-2.03106500	2.51064000	-0.28240500
C	-2.92313500	-2.48926700	-0.01502500
H	-3.19138300	-2.90828600	0.95451600
H	-3.37093000	-3.08788700	-0.80602800
H	-1.84324100	-2.49210100	-0.12499400
C	1.80246400	0.22560400	0.88845800
C	2.42403200	-0.06927000	-0.33795600
H	1.85150500	1.24808300	1.24432600
H	1.85436600	-0.52191700	1.67138700
H	2.39839800	0.67760100	-1.11871300
H	2.39814600	-1.08941600	-0.69356800
Br	-0.45073500	0.07876400	0.29556500
Br	4.79704100	-0.03784000	-0.19804500

Halogen bonding (bromine) - TS

Electronic Energy = -5531.983602

Thermal Corr. to Free Energy = 0.137962

C	1.66059200	-0.78322500	0.39767900
C	3.78375600	-0.78087200	-0.39204800
C	3.74471000	0.06003900	0.66700800
H	4.59547800	-1.07148100	-1.03594600
H	4.51502000	0.65212400	1.12965300
N	2.50231300	-1.28416400	-0.53611200
N	2.44117200	0.04055500	1.13328200
C	2.12422800	-2.23190500	-1.57192400
H	2.22217500	-1.77426200	-2.55676200
H	2.76615200	-3.11114400	-1.52243300
H	1.09319800	-2.53372400	-1.41416700
C	1.98635400	0.84257800	2.25733200
H	2.69414100	0.75014500	3.08028100
H	1.90486300	1.89112300	1.97075500
H	1.01660100	0.48163200	2.58438900
C	-0.63816100	0.10787800	-1.06045600
H	-1.53421100	0.03258000	-1.66471700
H	0.22697000	-0.12760900	-1.66831700
C	-0.72109300	-0.75225200	0.16086000
H	-0.66456400	-0.34634500	1.14705000
H	-0.61145900	-1.81260000	0.03697200
Br	-0.46739700	2.02125700	-0.62019300
Br	-3.08892000	-0.96693200	0.41968800

Vinylbromide

Electronic Energy = -2652.21784689

Thermal Corr. to Free Energy = 0.015276
 C -0.44283600 -2.08803600 0.00000000
 H -1.50909400 -1.90252700 0.00000000
 H -0.10828800 -3.11925500 0.00000000
 C 0.45787300 -1.12505800 0.00000000
 H 1.52715700 -1.28109200 0.00000000
 Br 0.00000000 0.73089800 0.00000000

NHC-bromoethane adduct

Electronic Energy = -2957.72239578
 Thermal Corr. to Free Energy = 0.150129
 C -1.28519600 0.00000000 0.28595800
 C -3.30189600 0.67846600 -0.33412600
 C -3.30189400 -0.67847000 -0.33412900
 H -4.07352400 1.38814000 -0.57064000
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 N -2.04119800 -1.08045200 0.04760700
 C -1.60381300 2.46774700 0.18081200
 H -2.37060300 3.10379500 -0.25096400
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 H 0.88585300 0.88983500 -1.16314200
 Br 2.93699900 0.00000100 -0.04716500

NHC-bromine adduct

Electronic Energy = -2879.02826671
 Thermal Corr. to Free Energy = 0.096703
 N -0.00002700 0.98162700 1.08918100
 C -0.00002700 2.29687700 0.67854200
 C -0.00002700 2.29687700 -0.67854200
 N -0.00002700 0.98162700 -1.08918100
 C -0.00002500 0.20474700 0.00000000
 H -0.00003600 3.10435500 1.38817100
 H -0.00003600 3.10435500 -1.38817100
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 C 0.00000200 0.52662800 -2.47763200
 H -0.00016800 1.40621400 3.11316200
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 H -0.89316300 -0.06318400 -2.67419300
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DMAP

Electronic Energy = -382.449484751
 Thermal Corr. to Free Energy = 0.125991
 C -1.94708100 -1.13399100 0.00365100
 C -0.56755400 -1.19682800 0.00358000
 C 0.18511900 0.00000100 -0.00011600
 C -0.56755700 1.19682900 -0.00366200
 C -1.94708300 1.13399000 -0.00356100
 N -2.66169300 -0.00000200 0.00008500
 H -2.51532800 -2.05892800 0.00707200
 H -0.08540600 -2.16232300 0.00750800
 H -0.08541100 2.16232400 -0.00759600
 H -2.51533300 2.05892600 -0.00687900
 N 1.54080800 0.00000100 -0.00024600
 C 2.27249500 -1.25524500 -0.00669400
 H 3.33737300 -1.04240700 -0.02478900
 H 2.05577700 -1.85160600 0.88462700
 H 2.02819300 -1.85663600 -0.88709600
 C 2.27249300 1.25524600 0.00683400
 H 3.33738100 1.04239800 0.02427300
 H 2.05537500 1.85223000 -0.88395900

H 2.02858300 1.85602100 0.88777900

S_N2 (DMAP-Iodine) - TS

Electronic Energy = -1056.71646254
 Thermal Corr. to Free Energy = 0.162257
 C -1.10537000 0.41953600 -1.13638200
 H -2.03472400 0.46012300 -1.69043900
 H -0.27591700 0.51045600 -1.83002700
 C -0.97605200 -0.81036800 -0.30503900
 H -0.85026900 -0.77567100 0.75790900
 H -0.82787500 -1.74933000 -0.81028100
 I -1.06326200 2.22710100 0.04660200
 I -3.46807600 -1.42544600 0.15477000
 C 2.05760200 -0.80084100 -1.27588700
 C 3.43217700 -0.74685400 -1.21381100
 C 4.06991700 -0.58659800 0.04090500
 C 3.21383700 -0.49513900 1.16534400
 C 1.84949900 -0.56156100 0.98903000
 N 1.26522100 -0.70847000 -0.20374200
 H 1.56267800 -0.91963400 -2.23395800
 H 4.00052000 -0.82733300 -2.12704700
 H 3.60685500 -0.36904000 2.16195000
 H 1.18748900 -0.48792500 1.84468600
 N 5.41480800 -0.52335800 0.15684100
 C 6.25617400 -0.58555400 -1.02783500
 H 7.29658100 -0.52145400 -0.72412900
 H 6.11281800 -1.52467900 -1.56876600
 H 6.04486500 0.24085300 -1.71250700
 C 6.03118700 -0.33767800 1.46104500
 H 7.11073700 -0.33865900 1.34337500
 H 5.73313700 0.61240900 1.91401100
 H 5.76000800 -1.14467100 2.14656200

DMAP-eti

Electronic Energy = -758.790879676
 Thermal Corr. to Free Energy = 0.180146
 C 1.32550100 -1.15001600 0.47905400
 C 2.65782300 -1.20086200 0.20579100
 C 3.40285500 -0.00052500 0.03349800
 C 2.67270400 1.21390100 0.16476600
 C 1.33931900 1.18903400 0.43701100
 N 0.66393600 0.02604600 0.60016200
 H 0.73390900 -2.04277500 0.61785400
 H 3.12503300 -2.16894700 0.13215500
 H 3.15109300 2.17272000 0.05220600
 H 5.07901000 2.09330300 0.53955700
 N 4.71158800 -0.01261000 -0.23258300
 C 5.42529500 -1.27685100 -0.38469100
 H 6.45667400 -1.06665800 -0.64760900
 H 5.41034100 -1.85010800 0.54486900
 H 4.98111500 -1.88140300 -1.17757800
 C 5.45004800 1.23855700 -0.37448500
 H 6.49787800 1.00926700 -0.53687200
 H 5.08150200 1.81703900 -1.22449700
 H 5.36348500 1.84631200 0.52813100
 C -0.79104000 0.03683900 0.83957100
 H -1.03206200 -0.82571500 1.45571100
 H -1.02970100 0.94137900 1.39314200
 C -1.52892700 -0.00927100 -0.48347000
 H -1.32717700 0.86404300 -1.09589500
 H -1.32118400 -0.91995300 -1.03668100
 I -3.66413100 -0.00617700 -0.14377000

DMAP-I

Electronic Energy = -680.092335912
 Thermal Corr. to Free Energy = 0.12645
 C 0.15166800 -1.17547500 -0.00780800
 C 1.51309400 -1.20670800 -0.00719400
 C 2.26667000 -0.00000300 -0.00001200
 C 1.51307500 1.20668600 0.00719800
 C 0.15165400 1.17542500 0.00781500
 N -0.52717000 -0.00002800 -0.00000200
 H -0.44048700 -2.07712900 -0.01519400
 H 1.99380400 -2.17115600 -0.01543800
 H 1.99376200 2.17114400 0.01546300

H	-0.44052200	2.07706600	0.01521600	C	4.34185000	1.25822900	-0.01354800
N	3.60128800	0.00001100	-0.00003500	H	5.40343700	1.03761600	-0.04875100
C	4.34187000	-1.25819500	0.01356800	H	4.08101100	1.85377800	-0.89043700
H	5.40346200	-1.03755600	0.04843100	H	4.13479100	1.84357100	0.88488300
H	4.08127300	-1.85355700	0.89066100	I	-2.59515500	0.00000600	0.00000000
H	4.13457800	-1.84373500	-0.88467900				