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Phenoxyl Radicals Hydrogen-Bonded to Imidazolium - Analogues of Tyrosyl D' of Photosystem II: High-Field EPR and DFT Studies**

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Figure SI1. W-band EPR spectra of $[^{PhOMe}LH]^{+}$ (top) and $[^{Ph}LH]^{+}$ (bottom). In each case, the experimental spectrum was measured for the electrochemically generated $[^{R}LH]^{+}$ (1 mM) in CH₂Cl₂ at 80 K and the simulated spectrum was obtained using the parameters shown in Table 1.

Table SI1. A comparison of the bond lengths calculated for the optimized structure of ^RLH (R = Ph, PhOMe, or Bz) with those determined by X-ray crystallography.^[6]

Table SI2. Bond lengths calculated for the optimized structures of $[{}^{R}LH_{O}]^{+}$ and $[{}^{R}LH_{N}]^{+}$ (R = Ph, PhOMe, or Bz).

Table SI3. Structural parameters (distance/Å; angle/°) calculated for the intramolecular hydrogen bond in $[{}^{R}LH_{O}]^{\bullet+}$ (O-H…N) and $[{}^{R}LH_{N}]^{\bullet+}$ (O·…H-N) (R = Ph, PhOMe, or Bz).

Figure SI2. (a) Singly occupied molecular orbital (SOMO) of $[{}^{Ph}LH_{O}]^{\bullet+}$ and $[{}^{Ph}LH_{N}]^{\bullet+}$ (top) and $[{}^{PhOMe}LH_{O}]^{\bullet+}$ and $[{}^{PhOMe}LH_{N}]^{\bullet+}$ (bottom); (b) non-zero spin populations (??>0.01) for $[{}^{Ph}LH_{O}]^{\bullet+}$ and $[{}^{PhOMe}LH_{O}]^{\bullet+}$ and $[{}^{PhOMe}LH_{O}]^{\bullet+}$ and $[{}^{PhOMe}LH_{O}]^{\bullet+}$ (bottom).

Figure. SI1 .





Table SI1



	Ca	lcd bond len	gth /Å		Expt bond length /Å			
bonds	PhLH	PhOMeLH	^{Bz} LH	PhLH	PhOMeLH	^{Bz} LH [*]		
1	1.354	1.354	1.350	1.368(2)	1.348(6)	1.366(2); 1.378(2)		
2	1.424	1.425	1.426	1.407(2)	1.398(8)	1.404(2); 1.398(2)		
3	1.424	1.424	1.425	1.402(2)	1.408(8)	1.409(2); 1.414(3)		
4	1.397	1.397	1.396	1.405(2)	1.406(8)	1.390(2); 1.387(2)		
5	1.412	1.412	1.413	1.403(2)	1.409(9)	1.401(2); 1.407(3)		
6	1.390	1.391	1.389	1.384(2)	1.378(8)	1.383(2); 1.376(2)		
7	1.411	1.410	1.411	1.399(2)	1.406(7)	1.402(2);1.403(2)		
8	1.454	1.454	1.438	1.462(2)	1.460(7)	1.459(2); 1.460(2)		
9	1.339	1.339	1.338	1.339(2)	1.330(7)	1.329(2); 1.328(2)		
10	1.383	1.385	1.386	1.385(2)	1.383(7)	1.392(2); 1.391(2)		
11	1.398	1.398	1.421	1.382(2)	1.362(8)	1.407(2); 1.400(3)		
12	1.392	1.394	1.388	1.380(2)	1.387(7)	1.386(2); 1.381(2)		
13	1.371	1.371	1.384	1.360(2)	1.359(7)	1.358(2); 1.363(2)		

*Two molecules are present in the asymmetric unit

Table SI2





 $[^{R}LH_{O}]^{\bullet+}$

 $[^{R}LH_{N}]^{\bullet+}$

		$[^{R}LH_{O}]^{\bullet+}$		$[{}^{R}LH_{N}]^{+}$			
Bond	$[^{Ph}LH]^{\bullet+}$	[^{PhOMe} LH] ^{•+}	$[^{Bz}LH]^{\bullet+}$	$[^{Ph}LH]^{\bullet+}$	[^{PhOMe} LH] ^{•+}	[^{Bz} LH] ^{•+}	
1	1.332	1.343	1.307	1.265	1.270	1.261	
2	1.449	1.440	1.466	1.481	1.479	1.481	
3	1.430	1.426	1.447	1.472	1.468	1.478	
4	1.388	1.392	1.381	1.380	1.380	1.381	
5	1.428	1.423	1.432	1.429	1.431	1.425	
6	1.384	1.384	1.397	1.399	1.392	1.407	
7	1.413	1.416	1.397	1.398	1.406	1.392	
8	1.431	1.435	1.437	1.433	1.427	1.442	
9	1.350	1.347	1.348	1.354	1.355	1.354	
10	1.360	1.366	1.371	1.378	1.378	1.383	
11	1.438	1.439	1.434	1.405	1.413	1.418	
12	1.367	1.373	1.378	1.383	1.384	1.387	
13	1.377	1.377	1.373	1.360	1.363	1.361	

Table SI3

Cation	O-H	O…N	N…H	<o-h…n></o-h…n>	C-O
$[^{Ph}LH_{O}]^{\bullet+}$	1.032	2.548	1.600	150.3	1.332
$\left[{}^{\text{PhOMe}}_{\text{L}} L H_{\text{O}} \right]^{\bullet}$	1.024	2.563	1.623	150.4	1.343
$[^{Bz}LH_{O}]^{\bullet+}$	1.102	2.462	1.435	151.8	1.307
	O…H	O…N	N-H	<0…H-N>	
$[^{Ph}LH_N]^{\bullet+}$	1.832	2.603	1.036	128.1	1.265
$[^{PhOMe}LH_N]^{\bullet}$	1.781	2.582	1.041	130.5	1.270
$[^{Bz}LH_N]^{\bullet+}$	1.867	2.621	1.032	127.0	1.261

Figure SI2

(a)











(b)