Dissociation Pathways of Benzylpyridinium "Thermometer" Ions Depend on the Activation Regime: an IRMPD Spectroscopy Study

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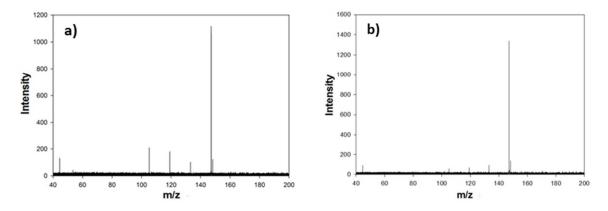
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SUPPORTING INFORMATION

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Figure S-1. Mass spectra consecutive to IRMPD irradiation obtained using source voltages of 60 V (a) and 100 V (b).



| m/z = 147 | $C_{11}H_{15}^{+}$ ion |
|-----------|---------------------------------|
| m/z = 132 | -CH ₃ |
| m/z = 119 | - C ₂ H ₄ |
| m/z = 105 | - C ₃ H ₆ |

Figure S-2. Potential energy surface (PES) relative to the dissociation of the p-(*tert*-butyl)benzylpyridinium cation under slow-heating activation.

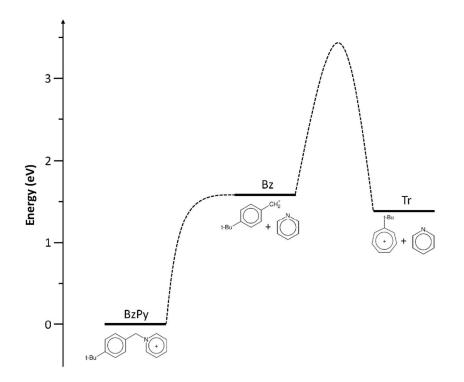


Figure S-3. IRMPD spectra of the *p*-(methyl)benzylpyridinium cation obtained using soft (blue trace) and harsh (red trace) source cone voltage conditions.

