

## Thermodynamic Analysis of Strain in Heteroatom Derivatives of Indene.

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TABLE S1. Results from typical combustion experiments for 2,3-benzofuran at T = 298.15 K<sup>a</sup>

|                                                                 | 1         | 2         | 3         | 4         | 5         |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| m (substance) /g <sup>b</sup>                                   | 0.843701  | 1.009884  | 0.729292  | 0.977412  | 0.860188  |
| m' (cotton) /g <sup>b,e</sup>                                   | 0.001232  | 0.001190  | 0.001135  | 0.001092  | 0.001007  |
| m'' (polyethene) /g <sup>b,f</sup>                              | 0.271921  | 0.284273  | 0.274483  | 0.283479  | 0.274185  |
| $\Delta T_c$ /K <sup>c</sup>                                    | 1.62972   | 1.87497   | 1.48126   | 1.82988   | 1.65638   |
| $(\epsilon_{\text{calor}}) \cdot (-\Delta T_c)$ /J              | -40949.83 | -47112.28 | -37219.53 | -45979.07 | -41619.63 |
| $(\epsilon_{\text{cont}}) \cdot (-\Delta T_c)$ /J               | -23.01    | -27.02    | -20.63    | -26.21    | -23.47    |
| $\Delta U_{\text{corr.}}$ /J <sup>d</sup>                       | 24.77     | 29.99     | 21.56     | 28.98     | 25.29     |
| $-m' \cdot \Delta_c u'$ /J <sup>d</sup>                         | 20.87     | 20.16     | 19.23     | 18.50     | 17.06     |
| $-m'' \cdot \Delta_c u''$ /J <sup>d</sup>                       | 12606.53  | 13179.15  | 12725.30  | 13142.34  | 12711.47  |
| $\Delta_c u^\circ$ (sub) /( $\text{J} \cdot \text{g}^{-1}$ )    | -33574.4  | -33589.2  | -33587.4  | -33585.1  | -33598.1  |
| $\Delta_c H^\circ$ (sub) /( $\text{kJ} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$ ) | -3968.7   | -3970.5   | -3970.2   | -3970.0   | -3971.5   |

<sup>a</sup> For the definition of the symbols see reference 12;:  $T_h = 298.15$  K;  $V(\text{bomb}) = 0.2664$  dm<sup>3</sup>;  $p^i(\text{gas}) = 3.04$  MPa;  $m^i(\text{H}_2\text{O}) = 0.78$  g;  $\Delta U(\text{ign}) = 1.5$  J;  $m(\text{Pt}) = 8.61$  g; <sup>b</sup> Masses obtained from apparent masses. <sup>c</sup>  $\Delta T_c = T^f - T^i + \Delta T_{\text{corr.}}$ ;  $(\epsilon_{\text{cont}}) \cdot (-\Delta T_c) = (\epsilon_{\text{cont}}^i) \cdot (T^i - 298.15 \text{ K}) + (\epsilon_{\text{cont}}^f) \cdot (298.15 \text{ K} - T^f + \Delta T_{\text{corr.}})$ .  $\epsilon_{\text{calor}} = (25112.6 \pm 1.9) \text{ J} \cdot \text{K}^{-1}$ , <sup>d</sup>  $\Delta U_{\text{corr.}}$ , the correction to standard states, is the sum of items 81 to 85, 87 to 90, 93, and 94 in reference 12. <sup>e</sup> We used cotton  $\text{CH}_{1.774}\text{O}_{0.887}$  with  $\Delta_c u^\circ = - (16945.2 \pm 4.2) \text{ J} \cdot \text{g}^{-1}$ . <sup>f</sup> We used polyethene  $\text{CH}_{1.930}$  with  $\Delta_c u^\circ = - (46361.0 \pm 3.1) \text{ J} \cdot \text{g}^{-1}$ .

**TABLE S2. Results from typical combustion experiments for indole at T = 298.15 K**

|                                                                 | 1         | 2         | 3         | 4         | 5         |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| m (substance) /g <sup>b</sup>                                   | 0.568896  | 0.675011  | 0.548595  | 0.6665813 | 0.722099  |
| m' (cotton) /g <sup>b,e</sup>                                   | 0.001058  | 0.001133  | 0.001028  | 0.001102  | 0.001097  |
| m'' (polyethene) /g <sup>b,f</sup>                              | 0.263286  | 0.267948  | 0.274855  | 0.264411  | 0.266624  |
| $\Delta T_c$ /K <sup>c</sup>                                    | 1.30728   | 1.46842   | 1.29921   | 1.44880   | 1.53386   |
| $(\epsilon_{\text{calor}}) \cdot (-\Delta T_c)$ /J              | -32829.12 | -36875.81 | -32626.45 | -36376.33 | -38519.25 |
| $(\epsilon_{\text{cont}}) \cdot (-\Delta T_c)$ /J               | -18.14    | -20.69    | -17.89    | -20.11    | -21.57    |
| $\Delta U_{\text{corr.}}$ /J <sup>d</sup>                       | 15.11     | 17.72     | 14.86     | 17.11     | 18.83     |
| $-m' \cdot \Delta_c u'$ /J <sup>d</sup>                         | 17.92     | 19.19     | 17.41     | 18.67     | 18.58     |
| $-m'' \cdot \Delta_c u''$ /J <sup>d</sup>                       | 12206.19  | 12422.35  | 12742.57  | 12258.35  | 12360.94  |
| $\Delta U$ (dec) /J                                             | 38.51     | 45.38     | 37.02     | 44.11     | 48.36     |
| $\Delta_c u^\circ$ (sub) /( $\text{J} \cdot \text{g}^{-1}$ )    | -36146.3  | -36126.7  | -36140.5  | -36124.7  | -36128.8  |
| $\Delta_c H^\circ$ (sub) /( $\text{kJ} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$ ) | -4236.3   | -4234.0   | -4235.6   | -4233.7   | -4234.2   |

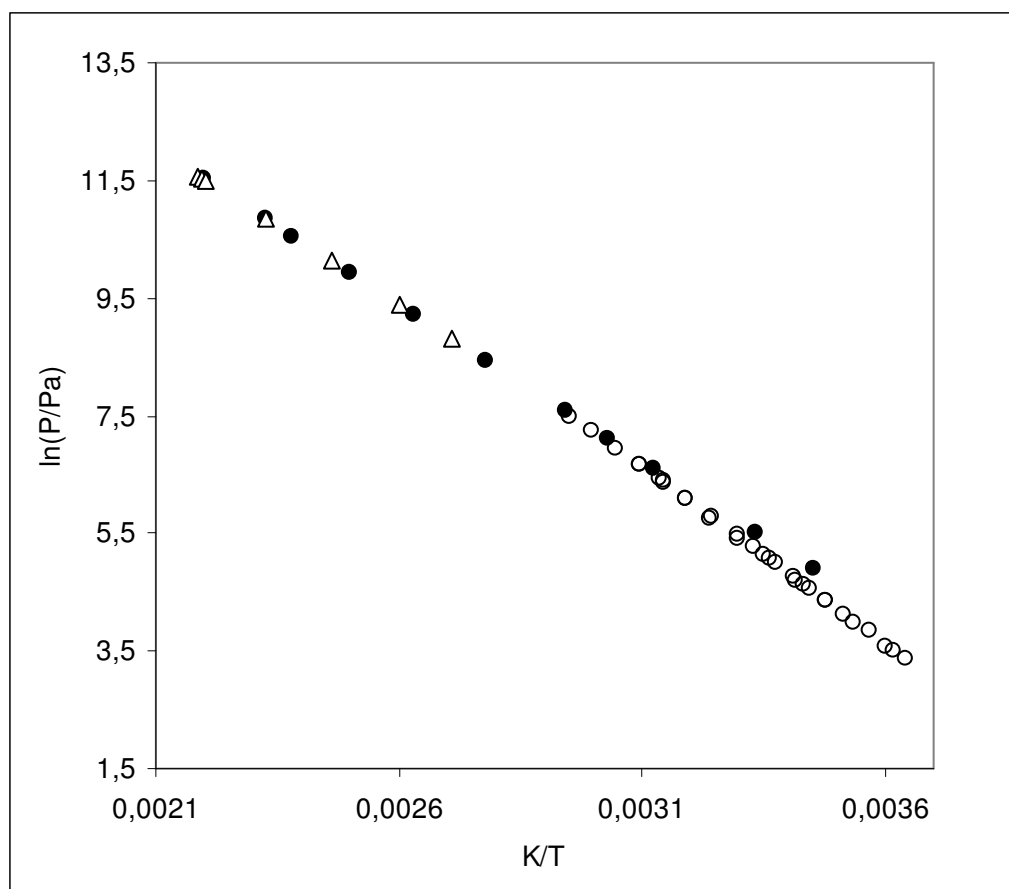
**TABLE S3. G3MP2 Total Energies at 0 K and Enthalpies at 298 K (in Hartree) of the Molecules Studied in This Work**

| Compounds                       | G3MP2 <sup>a</sup> |                  | $\Delta_f H_m^\circ$ (g) <sub>exp</sub> ,<br>kJ·mol <sup>-1</sup> |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                 | E <sub>0</sub>     | H <sub>298</sub> |                                                                   |
| cyclopentane                    | -196.158809        | -196.152506      | -76.4±0.7                                                         |
| cyclopentene                    | -194.951894        | -194.946862      | 34.0±1.4                                                          |
| 2,3-dihydro-1H-indene           | -348.351342        | -348.343308      | 60.9±2.1                                                          |
| 1H-indene                       | -347.147953        | -347.140409      | 161.2±2.3                                                         |
| 9H-fluorene                     | -500.547122        | -500.536941      | 175.0±1.5                                                         |
| tetrahydrofuran                 | -232.056169        | -232.050200      | -184.1±0.7                                                        |
| 2,3-dihydrofuran                | -230.850929        | -230.845347      | -72.3±0.4                                                         |
| 2,3-dihydrobenzofuran           | -384.250423        | -384.242610      | -46.5±0.8                                                         |
| benzofuran                      | -383.060395        | -383.053327      | 13.6±0.7                                                          |
| dibenzo[b,d]furan               | -536.454948        | -536.445219      | 47.3±4.8                                                          |
| pyrrolidine                     | -212.190026        | -212.183921      | -3.4±0.8                                                          |
| 2,3-dihydro-1H-pyrrole          | -210.987445        | -210.981919      | ---                                                               |
| indoline                        | -364.387822        | -364.379918      | ---                                                               |
| 1H-indole                       | -363.206064        | -363.198551      | ---                                                               |
| 9H-carbazole                    | -516.598758        | -516.633113      | 205.0±3.0                                                         |
| 1-methylpyrrolidine             | -251.421688        | -251.414240      | ---                                                               |
| 1-methyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-pyrrole | -250.217123        | -250.210165      | ---                                                               |
| 1-methylindoline                | -403.618525        | -403.609070      | ---                                                               |
| 1-methyl-1H-indole              | -402.436234        | -402.427094      | 155.8±2.8                                                         |
| 9-methyl-9H-carbazole           | -555.829384        | -555.817495      | 199.1±0.5                                                         |

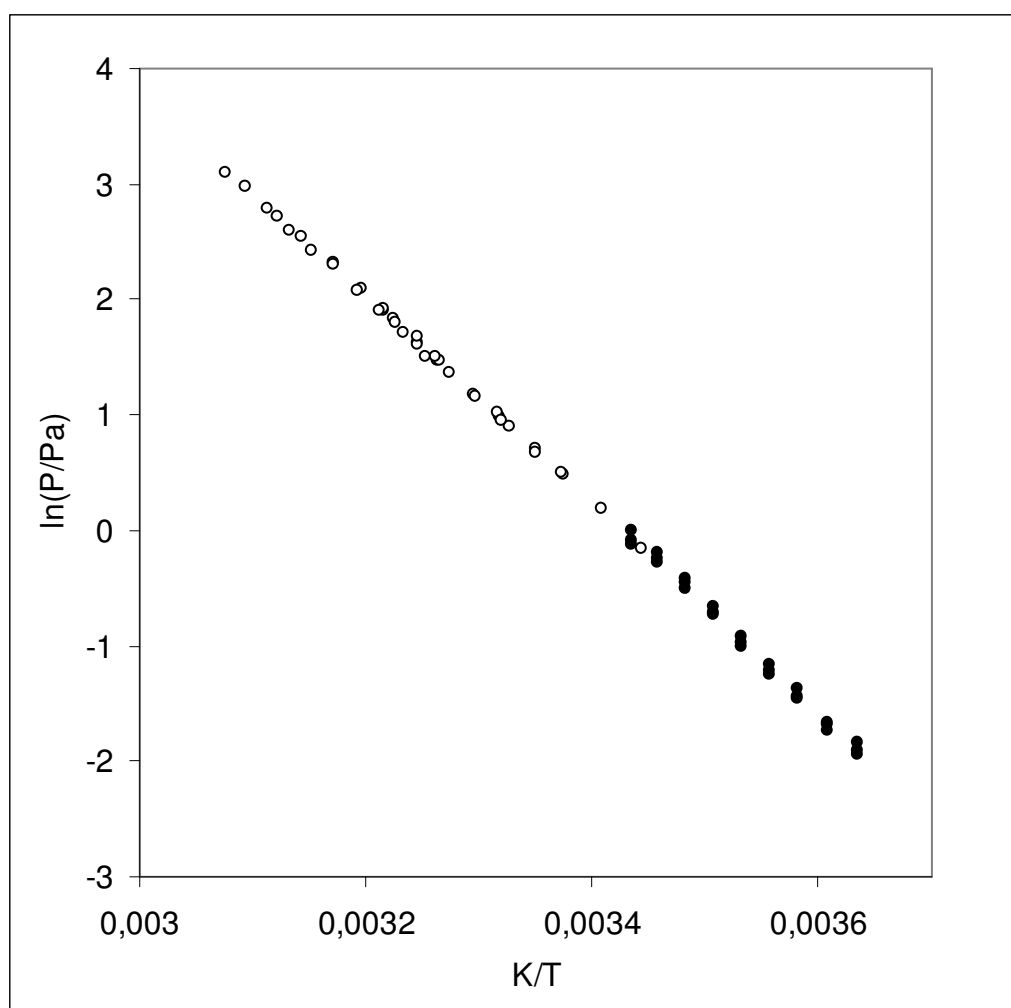
<sup>a</sup> 1 Hartree = 2625.46 kJ/mol

**TABLE S4. Correction of the enthalpies of formation calculated with the G3MP2 (using the atomization procedure),  $\text{kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$  (Data from <sup>2</sup>)**

| Compounds                       | AT     | AT (corr) | exp              | Exp-AT(corr) |
|---------------------------------|--------|-----------|------------------|--------------|
| cyclopentane                    | -74.3  | -63.4     | -76.4 $\pm$ 0.7  | -13.0        |
| cyclopentene                    | 32.4   | 42.4      | 34.0 $\pm$ 1.4   | -8.4         |
| 2,3-dihydro-1H-indene           | 53.1   | 63.0      | 60.9 $\pm$ 2.1   | -2.1         |
| 1H-indene                       | 152.5  | 161.6     | 161.2 $\pm$ 2.3  | -0.4         |
| 9H-fluorene                     | 173.0  | 181.9     | 175.0 $\pm$ 1.5  | -6.9         |
| tetrahydrofuran                 | -180.4 | -168.7    | -184.1 $\pm$ 0.7 | -15.4        |
| 2,3-dihydrofuran                | -75.8  | -64.9     | -72.3 $\pm$ 0.4  | -7.4         |
| 2,3-dihydrobenzofuran           | -57.3  | -46.5     | -46.5 $\pm$ 0.8  | 0.0          |
| benzofuran                      | 6.4    | 16.6      | 13.6 $\pm$ 0.7   | -3.0         |
| dibenzo[b,d]furan               | 39.1   | 49.1      | 47.3 $\pm$ 4.8   | -1.8         |
| pyrrolidine                     | 2.2    | 12.5      | -3.4 $\pm$ 0.8   | -15.9        |
| 2,3-dihydro-1H-pyrrole          | 99.3   | 108.8     | ---              | ---          |
| indoline                        | 115.9  | 125.3     | ---              | ---          |
| 1H-indole                       | 158.8  | 167.8     | ---              | ---          |
| 9H-carbazole                    | 196.7  | 205.4     | 205.0 $\pm$ 3.0  | -0.4         |
| 1-methylpyrrolidine             | -12.2  | -1.8      | ---              | ---          |
| 1-methyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-pyrrole | 90.4   | 100.0     | ---              | ---          |
| 1-methylindoline                | 104.6  | 114.1     | ---              | ---          |
| 1-methyl-1H-indole              | 149.1  | 158.2     | 155.8 $\pm$ 2.8  | -2.4         |
| 9-methyl-9H-carbazole           | 185.7  | 194.5     | 199.1 $\pm$ 0.5  | 4.6          |



**Figure S1. Plot of vapor pressure against reciprocal temperature for indene**  
 $\Delta$  -Stull 1961 [20];  $\bullet$ Stull 1947 [21];  $\circ$  this work



**Figure S2. Plot of vapor pressure against reciprocal temperature for indole**  
● [6]; ○ this work