

Electronic Supplementary Information

“Halogen and Hydrogen Bonding Interplay in the Crystal Packing of Halometallocenes”

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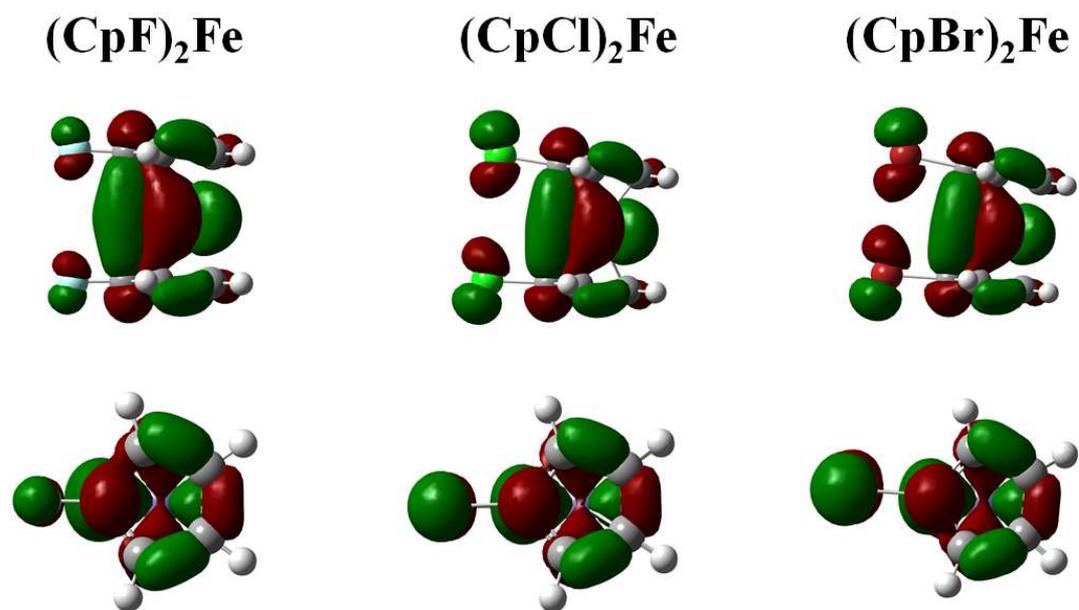


Figure S1 – Side and top view of HOMO molecular orbitals surfaces for $(\text{CpX})_2\text{Fe}$ (X= F, Cl, Br).

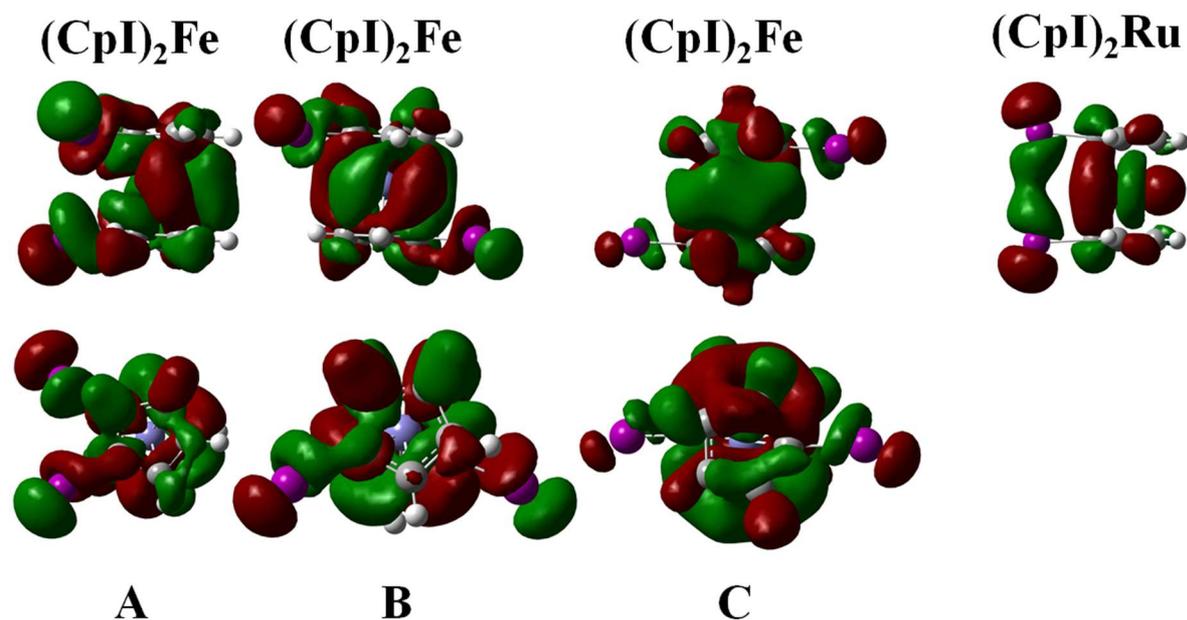


Figure S2 – Side and top view of HOMO molecular orbitals surfaces for $(\text{CpI})_2\text{M}$ (M= Fe (isomers A, B, C), Ru).

Table S1 - Atomic point charges (in atomic charge units percentage, a.c.u.%) for molecules (CpX)₂M (M = Fe; X = F,Cl,Br,I. M = Ru; X = H).

Compound	(CpF) ₂ Fe	(CpCl) ₂ Fe	(CpBr) ₂ Fe	(CpI) ₂ Fe ^a	(CpI) ₂ Fe ^b	(CpI) ₂ Fe ^c	(CpI) ₂ Ru
M	8	10	13	224	231	265	6
X1	-20	-12	-9	6	8	5	-6
C1	27	6	-1	-43	-47	-7	-3
C2	-17	-7	-6	6	0	-24	-1
C3	-15	-13	-13	-40	-16	-6	-11
C4	-13	-12	-13	-6	-29	-8	-11
C5	-19	-8	-6	-11	-2	-30	-2
H2	13	10	9	-14	-14	-5	6
H3	13	11	11	2	-7	-4	9
H4	12	11	11	-5	-1	-4	10
H5	14	10	9	-7	-8	-1	6
X6	-20	-12	-8	6	8	7	-6
C6	27	5	0	-43	-48	-8	-1
C7	-18	-8	-7	-11	-4	-28	-2
C8	-13	-12	-12	-6	-26	-14	-9
C9	-14	-12	-12	-40	-17	0	-13
C10	-17	-7	-7	6	2	-27	-3
H7	14	10	9	-7	-6	-1	6
H8	12	11	11	-5	-2	-2	9
H9	12	11	11	2	-7	-5	11
H10	13	10	10	-14	-15	-5	6

a – isomer with an angle of 60° between the C-I bonds.

b - isomer with an angle of 123° between the C-I bonds.

c – isomer with an angle of 180° between the C-I bonds.

Table S2 – Intermolecular contact parameters in (CpF)₂Fe.

C-F...H bonds (chains)			
	C...F (Å)	H...F (Å)	C-H...F (°)
C7-H7...F1	3.262	2.758	113.99
C8-H8...F1	3.240	2.691	117.32
C2-H2...F6	3.270	2.753	115.01
C3-H3...F6	3.265	2.725	116.73
C-F...H bonds (dimers)^a			
	C...F (Å)	H...F (Å)	C-H...F (°)
C2(5)-H2(5)...F1	3.595	2.785	143.68
C7(10)-H7(10)...F1	3.590	2.779	143.80
C2(5)-H2(5)...F6	3.607	2.810	142.01
C7(10)-H7(10)...F6	3.534	2.771	137.81
C-H...M interactions			
C-H...M	C...M (Å)	H...M (Å)	C-H...M (°)
C4-H4...Fe	4.261	3.445	145.28
π...π interactions^a			
	Cent-Cent (Å)	Cent-Cp (Å)	Slippage (Å)
πI(II)(I)...πI(II)	3.561	3.550	0.280
πI...πII	3.561	3.550	0.280

^a – numbers between parenthesis refer to interactions generated by symmetry

Table S3 – Intermolecular contact parameters in (CpCl)₂Fe.

C-Cl...H bonds (chains)			
	C...Cl (Å)	H...Cl (Å)	C-H...Cl (°)
C3-H3...C11	3.561	2.973	118.52
C4-H4...C11	3.566	2.987	117.90
C8-H8...C16	3.566	2.987	117.90
C9-H9...C16	3.561	2.973	118.52
C-Cl...H bonds (dimers)			
	C...Cl (Å)	H...Cl (Å)	C-H...Cl (°)
C2(5)-H2(5)...C11	4.039	3.184	144.29
C7(10)-H7(10)...C11	3.881	2.982	150.13
C2-H2...C16	3.776	3.171	120.28
C5-H5...C16	3.969	3.094	146.86
C-H...M interactions			
C-H...M	C...M (Å)	H...M (Å)	C-H...M (°)
C8-H8...Fe	4.433	3.555	147.80
C3-H3...Fe	4.433	3.555	147.80
π...π interactions^a			
	Cent-Cent (Å)	Cent-Cp (Å)	Slippage (Å)
π I(II)... π I(II)	3.597	3.521	0.736

^a – numbers between parenthesis refer to interactions generated by symmetry

Table S4 – Intermolecular contact parameters in (CpBr)₂Fe.

Halogen bonds			
	X...X' (Å)	C-X...X' (°)	X...X'-C' (°)
Br1...Br6	3.586	153.12	89.73
C-X...H bonds			
	C...Br (Å)	H...Br (Å)	C-H...Br (°)
C6-Br6...H2	3.789	3.229	119.55
C1-Br1...H5	3.724	3.069	127.52
C-X...π interactions^a			
	d _{pln} (Å)	d _{cp} (Å)	α (°)
C6-Br6... π	3.262	2.791	152.8
C-H...π interactions^a			
	d _{pln} (Å)	d _{cp} (Å)	α (°)
C4-H4... π	2.385	2.577	168.5
C9-H9... π	2.758	1.152	158.4

^aThe criteria developed by Nishio and co-workers (see ref.52) to describe this type of interactions will be adopted in the current manuscript: D_{pln} – distance from the H(X) atom to the plane of the π ring system
D_{cp} – distance between the projection of the hydrogen(halogen) atom on the ring plane and the π system centroid
 α – angle between the C-H(C-X) bond and the projection of the hydrogen atom on the ring plane

Table S5 – Intermolecular contact parameters in (CpI)₂Fe.

Halogen bonds^a			
	X··X' (Å)	C-X··X' (°)	X··X'-C' (°)
I1(6)A··I1(6)B	3.774	172.41	95.70
I1B··I1(6)C	4.098	169.55	109.66
I6B··I1(6)C	4.098	169.55	109.66
Halogen contacts^a			
	X··X' (Å)	C-X··X' (°)	X··X'-C' (°)
I1A··I1(6)C	4.242	131.09	131.17
I6A··I1(6)C	4.242	131.09	131.17
C-X··H bonds^a			
	C··I (Å)	H··I (Å)	C-H··I (°)
C3C-H3C··I1(6)A	4.032	3.251	136.08
C7B-H7B··I1A	4.090	3.190	150.52
C5B-H5B··I6A	4.090	3.190	150.52
C3B-H3B··I1(6)C	4.075	3.079	173.57
C4B-H4B··I1(6)C	4.121	3.474	124.34
C10A-H10A··I1(6)C	3.982	3.089	149.24
C-H··π interactions^a			
	d _{pln} (Å)	d _{cp} (Å)	α (°)
C8(9)A-H8(9)A··πC	2.560	1.933	159.38
C5(10)A-H5(10)A··πB	2.915	0.419	112.58
C10C-H10C··πA	2.505	1.891	138.85

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Table S6 – Intermolecular contact parameters in (CpI)₂Ru.

Halogen bonds			
	X··X' (Å)	C-X··X' (°)	X··X'-C' (°)
I6A··I6B	3.727	169.29	91.10
I1B··I6C	3.685	167.02	96.49
Halogen contacts^a			
	X··X' (Å)	C-X··X' (°)	X··X'-C' (°)
I1D··I6D	3.949	138.43	134.23
C-H··X bonds (primary chains)			
	C··I (Å)	H··I (Å)	C-H··I (°)
C3C-H3C··I1D	3.823	3.193	125.32
C4C-H4C··I1D	3.913	3.375	118.03
C3A-H3A··I6D	3.924	3.394	117.44
C4A-H4A··I6D	3.827	3.194	125.57
C-H··X bonds (secondary chains)^a			
C2(5)B-H2(5)B··I1A	4.015	3.300	133.55
C7(10)C-H7(10)C··I1B	4.078	3.347	135.25
C7(10)A-H7(10)A··I6B	4.017	3.305	133.29
C7(10)B-H7(10)B··I1C	3.996	3.309	139.91
C2(5)C-H2(5)C··I1D	4.126	3.287	148.36
C2(5)A-H2(5)A··I6D	4.188	3.336	150.32
C-H··X bonds (interchain)			
C(8)9D-H(8)9D··I6C	3.926	3.185	136.17
C3(4)B-H3(4)B··I1C	4.272	3.350	164.56
C-X··π interactions			
	d _{pln} (Å)	d _{cp} (Å)	α (°)
C1A-I1A··πII	3.341	3.094	173.14
C1B-I1B··πI	3.124	2.620	165.44
C-H··π interactions			
	d _{pln} (Å)	d _{cp} (Å)	α (°)
C8A-H8A··πD	2.814	0.990	132.52
C9A-H9A··πD	3.082	1.853	137.82
C8D-H8D··πC	2.704	1.439	2.136
C4D-H4D··πC	2.864	150.52	152.54
C-H··M interactions^a			
	C··M (Å)	H··M (Å)	C-H··M (°)
C2(5)A-H2(5)A··RuB	4.267	3.386	155.25
C7(10)A-H7(10)A··RuD	4.197	3.315	155.46
C7(10)B-H7(10)B··RuA	4.172	3.281	157.04
C(2)5B-H(2)5B··RuC	4.160	3.281	154.81
C2(5)C-H2(5)C··RuB	4.146	3.258	156.26
C7(10)C-H7(10)C··RuD	4.170	3.312	151.22
C7(10)D-H7(10)D··RuC	4.138	3.269	152.90
C2(5)D-H2(5)D··RuA	4.236	3.361	153.93

^a – atom numbers between parenthesis refer to interactions generated by symmetry