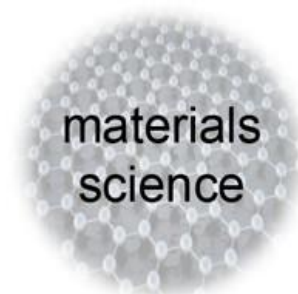
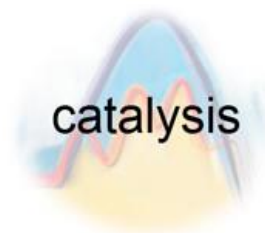
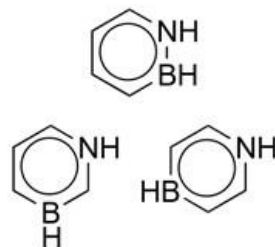
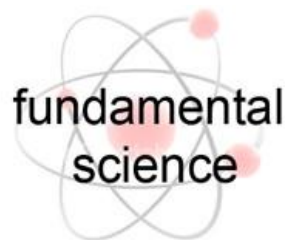




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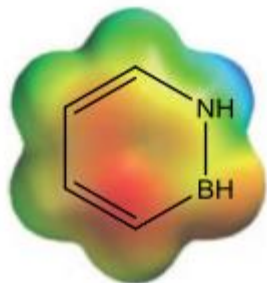


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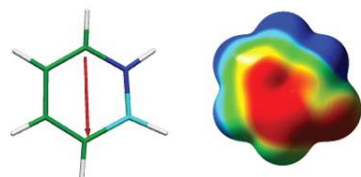
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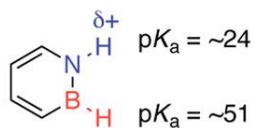
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# Isoelectronic Relationship



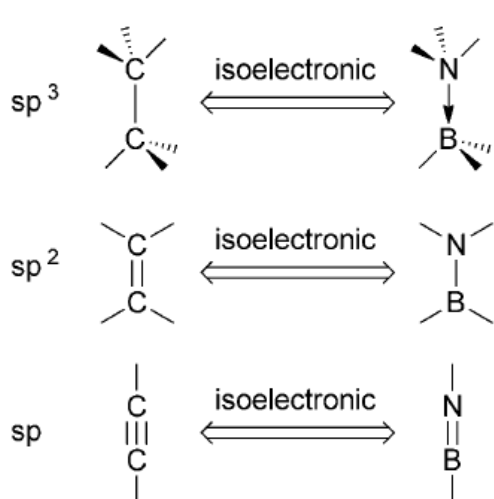
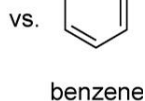
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$pK_a$ (B3LYP/DZVP2)  
values in  $H_2O$  (ref 15)

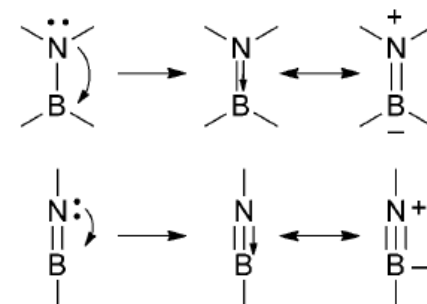


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*N-H* hydrogen bonding

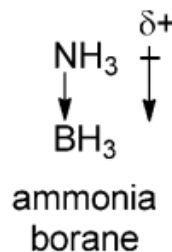
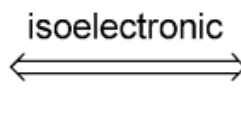
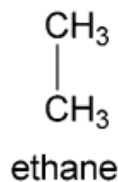


element	B	C	N
valence electrons	3	4	5



BDE (CC, covalent):  
 $90.1 \text{ kcal mol}^{-1}$

$\mu = 0$  Debye

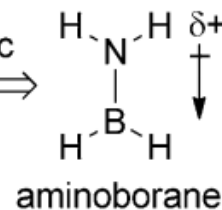
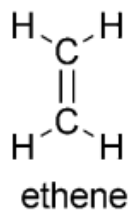


BDE (BN, dative):  
 $27.2 \text{ kcal mol}^{-1}$

$\mu = 5.216$  Debye

BDE (CC):  
 $174.1 \text{ kcal mol}^{-1}$   
( $109.1 \text{ kcal mol}^{-1} \sigma$ ,  
 $65 \text{ kcal mol}^{-1} \pi$ )

$\mu = 0$  Debye



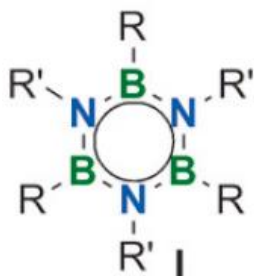
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# The history of BN-aromatics



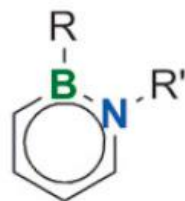
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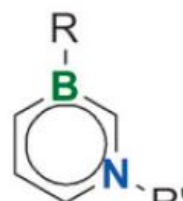
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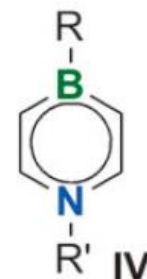
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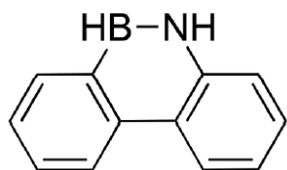
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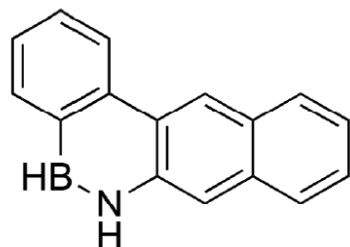
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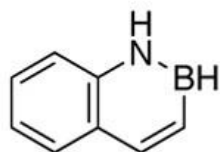
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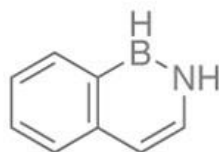
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BN-1,2-Naph

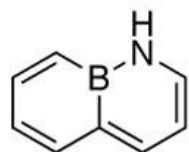
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BN-2,1-Naph

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Liu (2015)



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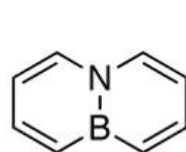
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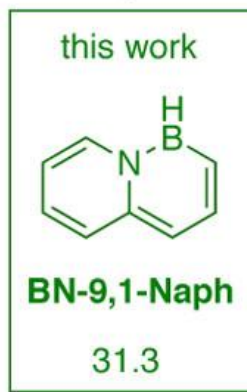
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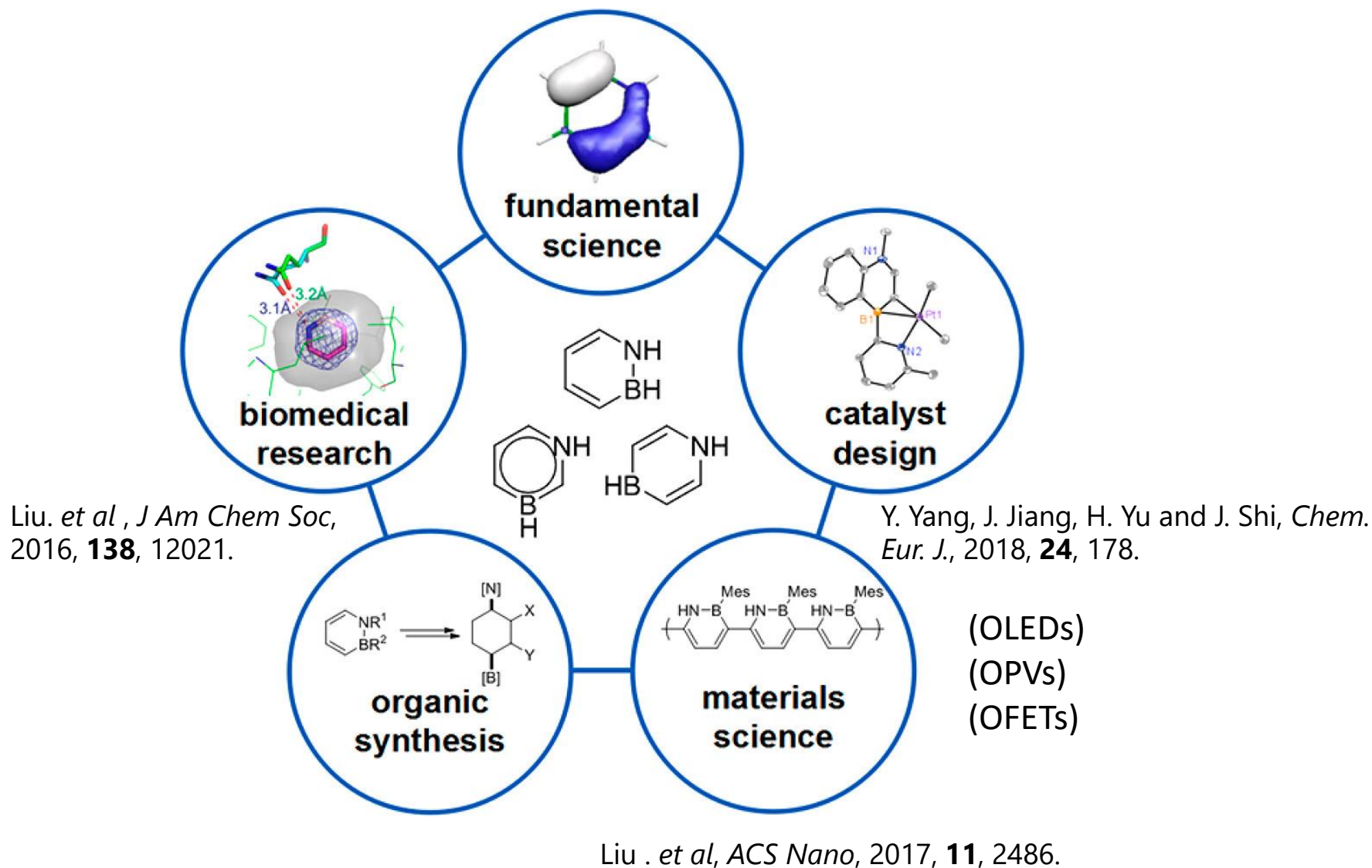


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most thermodynamically stable

least thermodynamically stable

# The scope of BN-aromatics



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# Shih-yuan liu and his azaborine family

**Position:** Professor of Chemistry, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts (USA)

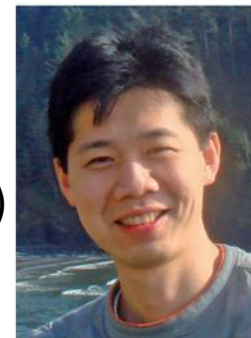
## Education:

1994–1997 Diplom (awarded in 1998), Vienna University of Technology

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1998–2003 PhD with Gregory C. Fu, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)

2003–2006 Postdoctoral associate with Daniel G. Nocera, MIT



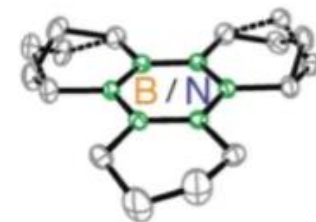
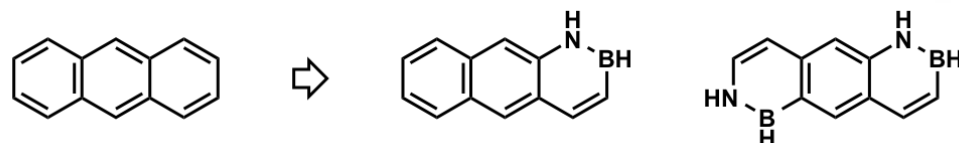
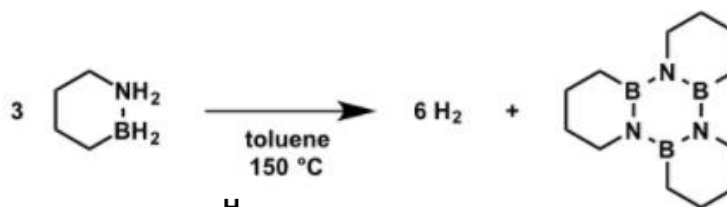
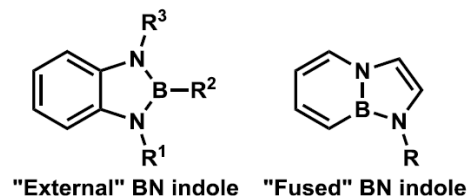
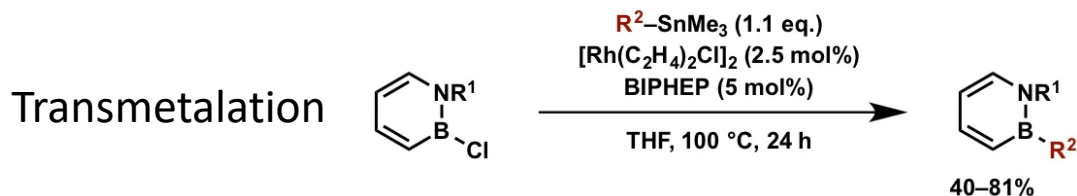
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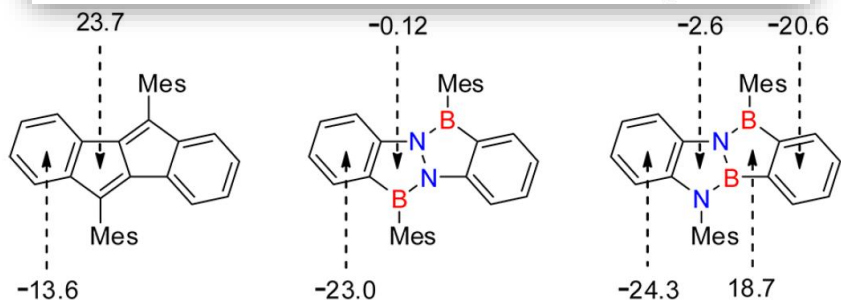
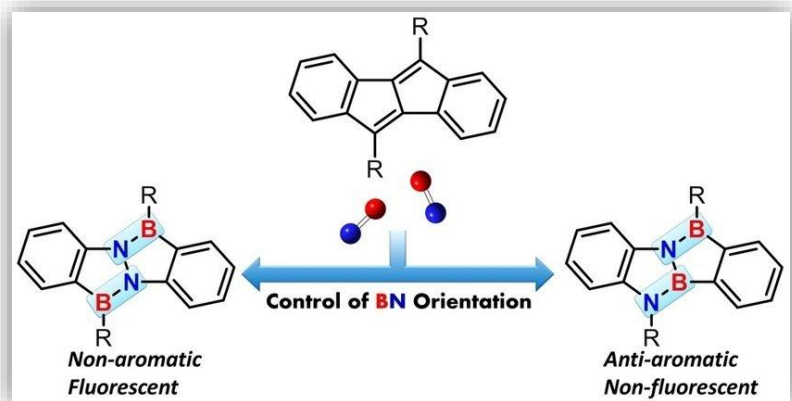
2012 Journal of Physical Organic Chemistry Award for Early Excellence;

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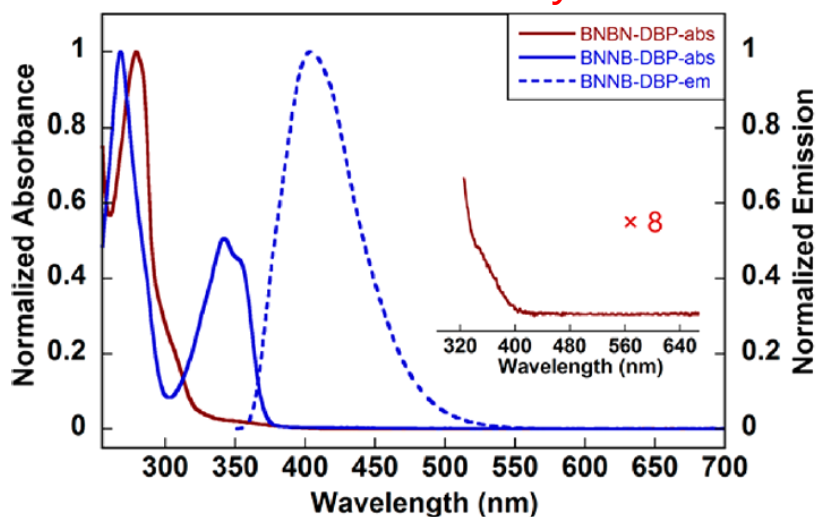
**Current research interests:** Synthetic organic/organometallic chemistry, basic science of BN/CC isosterism, BN heterocycles, hydrogen-storage materials, boron-containing pharmacophores



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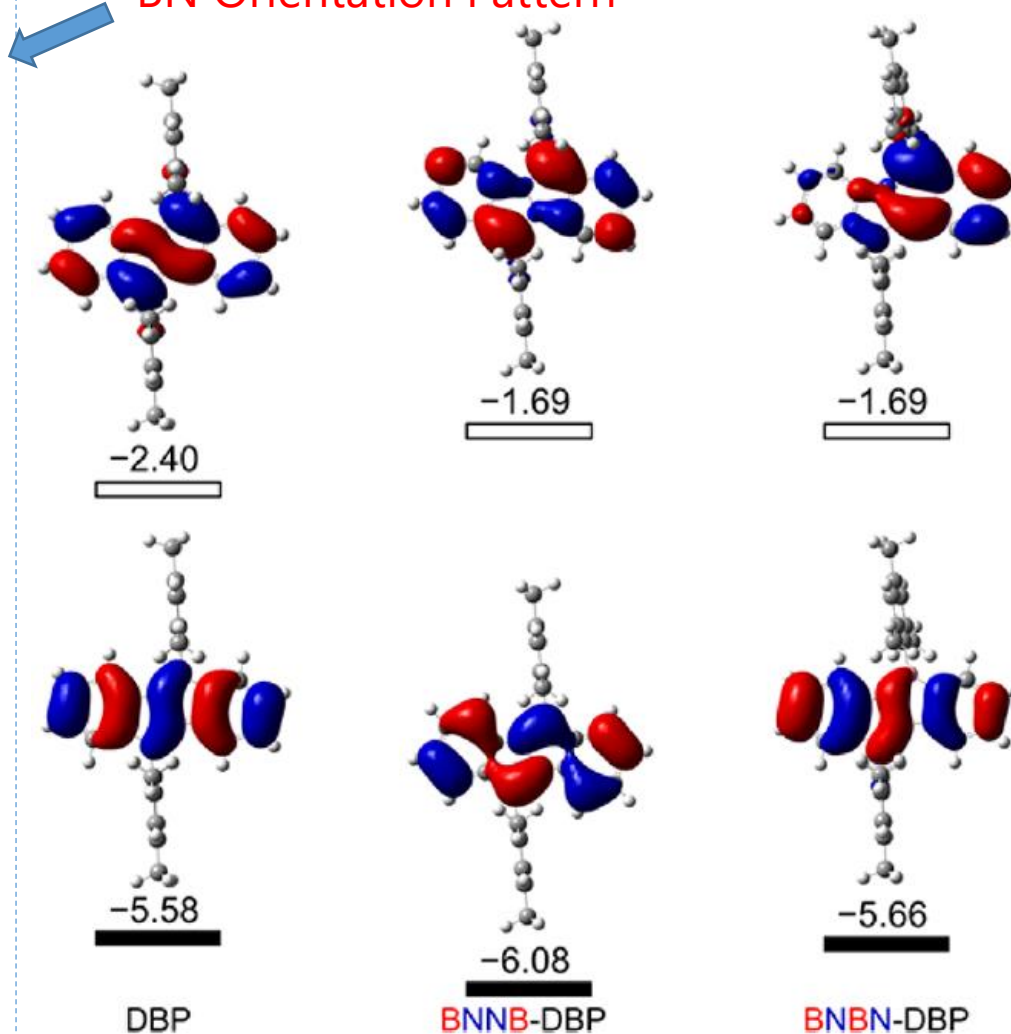


Antiaromaticity



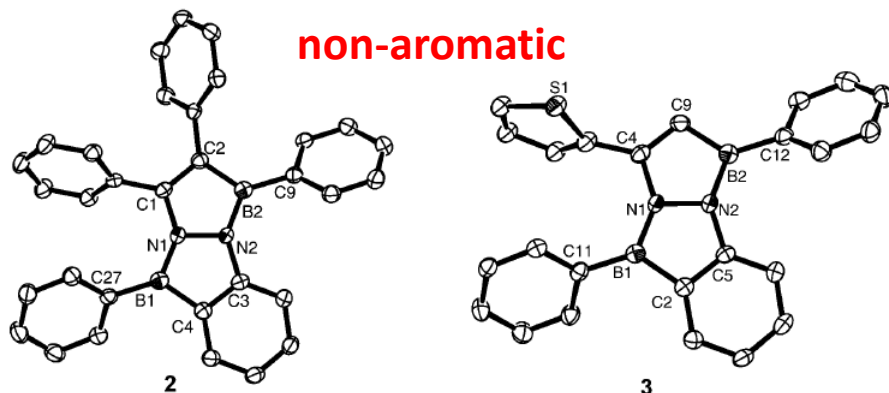
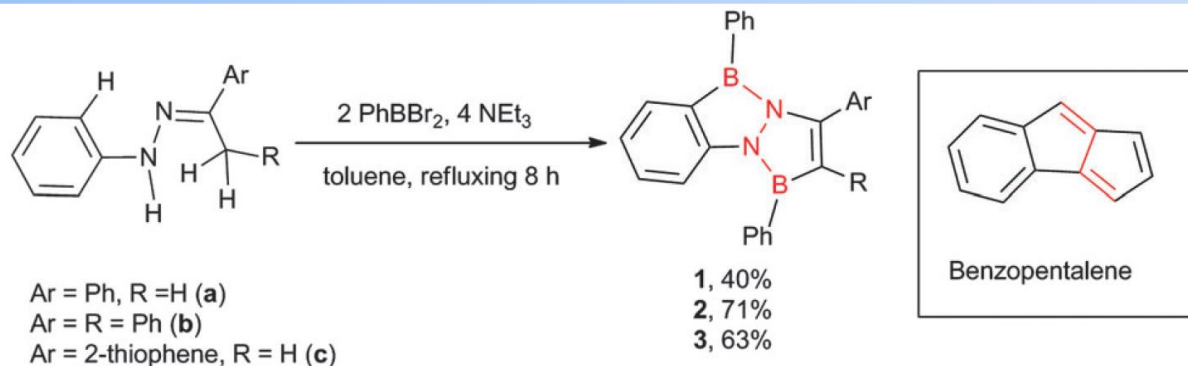
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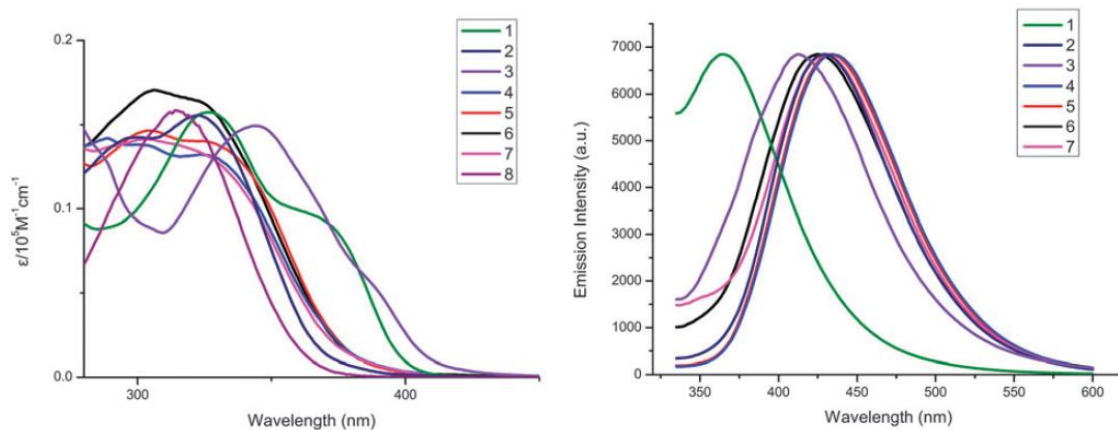


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# Boron–nitrogen analogues of benzopentalene



- larger HOMO–LUMO gaps
- higher energy absorption
- higher emission maxima
- Non-aromatic rather than anti-aromatic



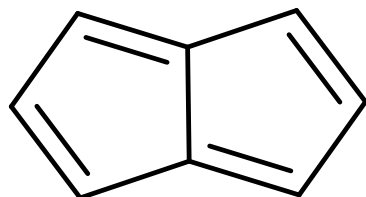
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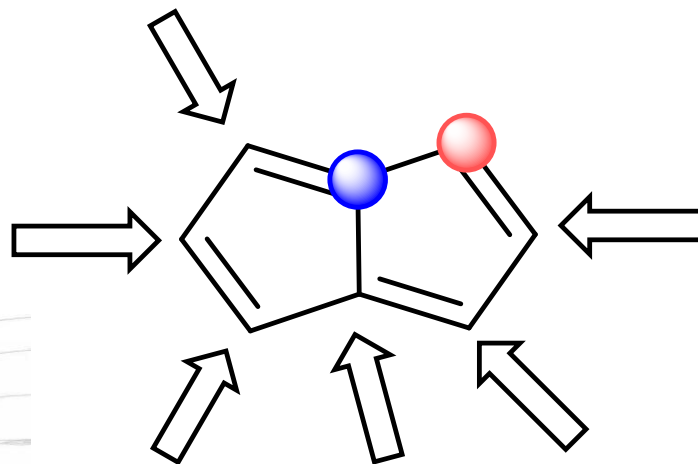
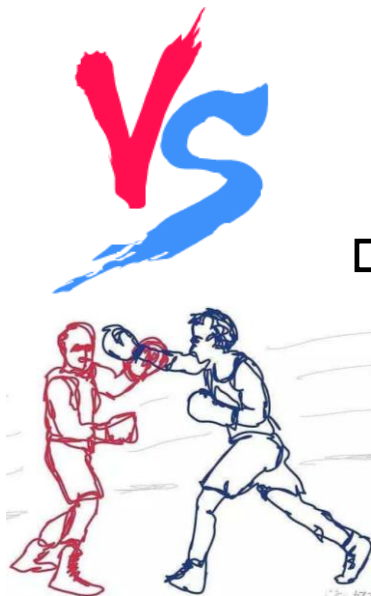


# Motivation

Anti-aromatics



Pentalene



BN-Pentalenes

- Which isomer of BN-pentalene is most stable one?
- Which factor causes the stability? Aromaticity? Or ?



Electrostatic potentials

Dipole moment

Bond order

Charge distribution

Ring strain

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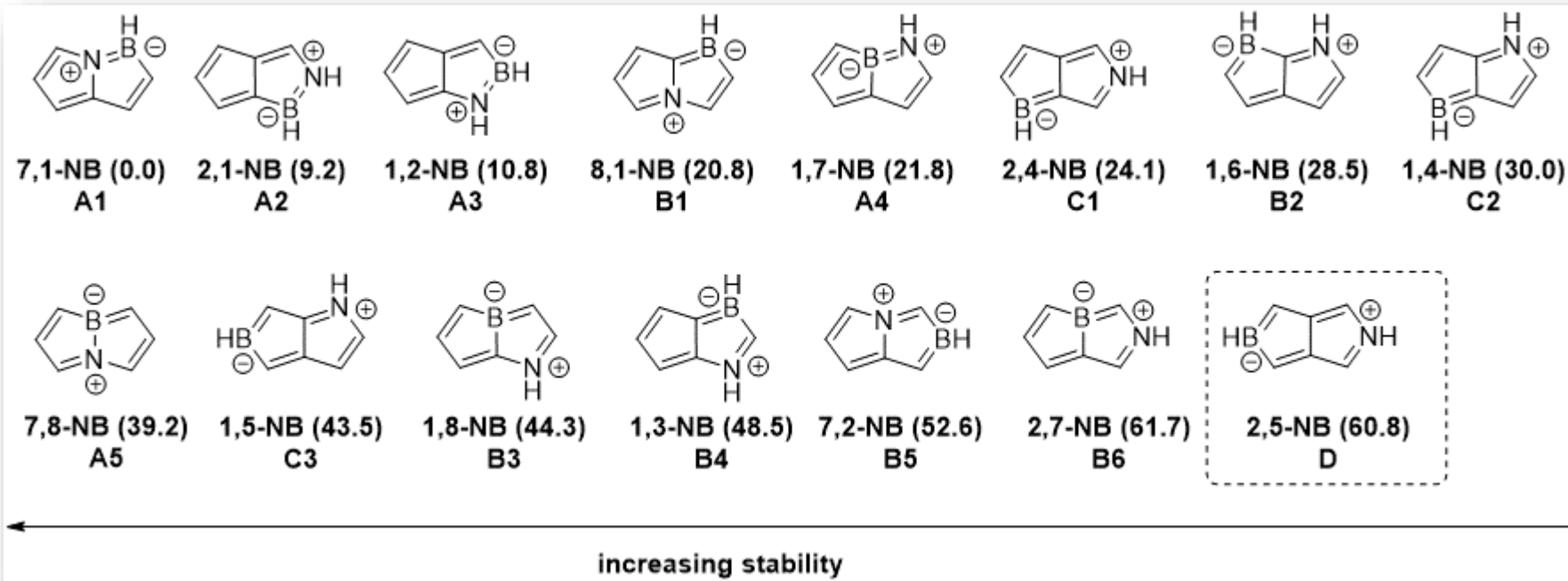
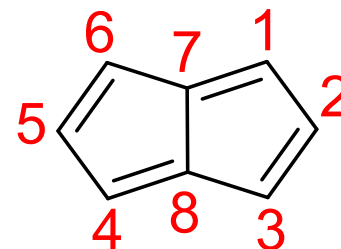
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Single point CCSD(T)/def2-TZVP

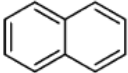
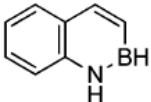
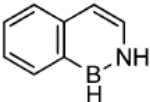
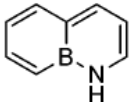
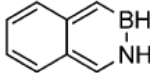
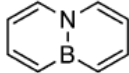
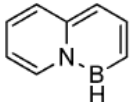
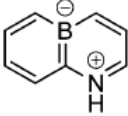
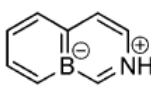
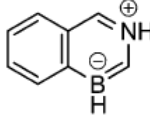
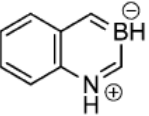
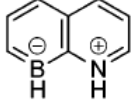
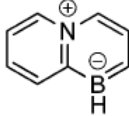
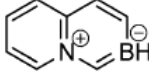
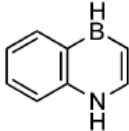
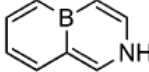
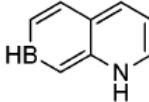
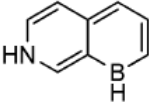
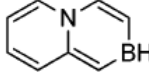
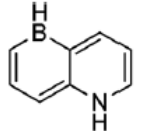
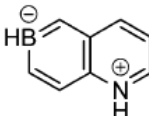
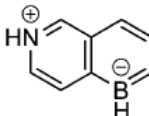
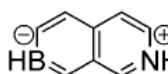
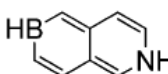
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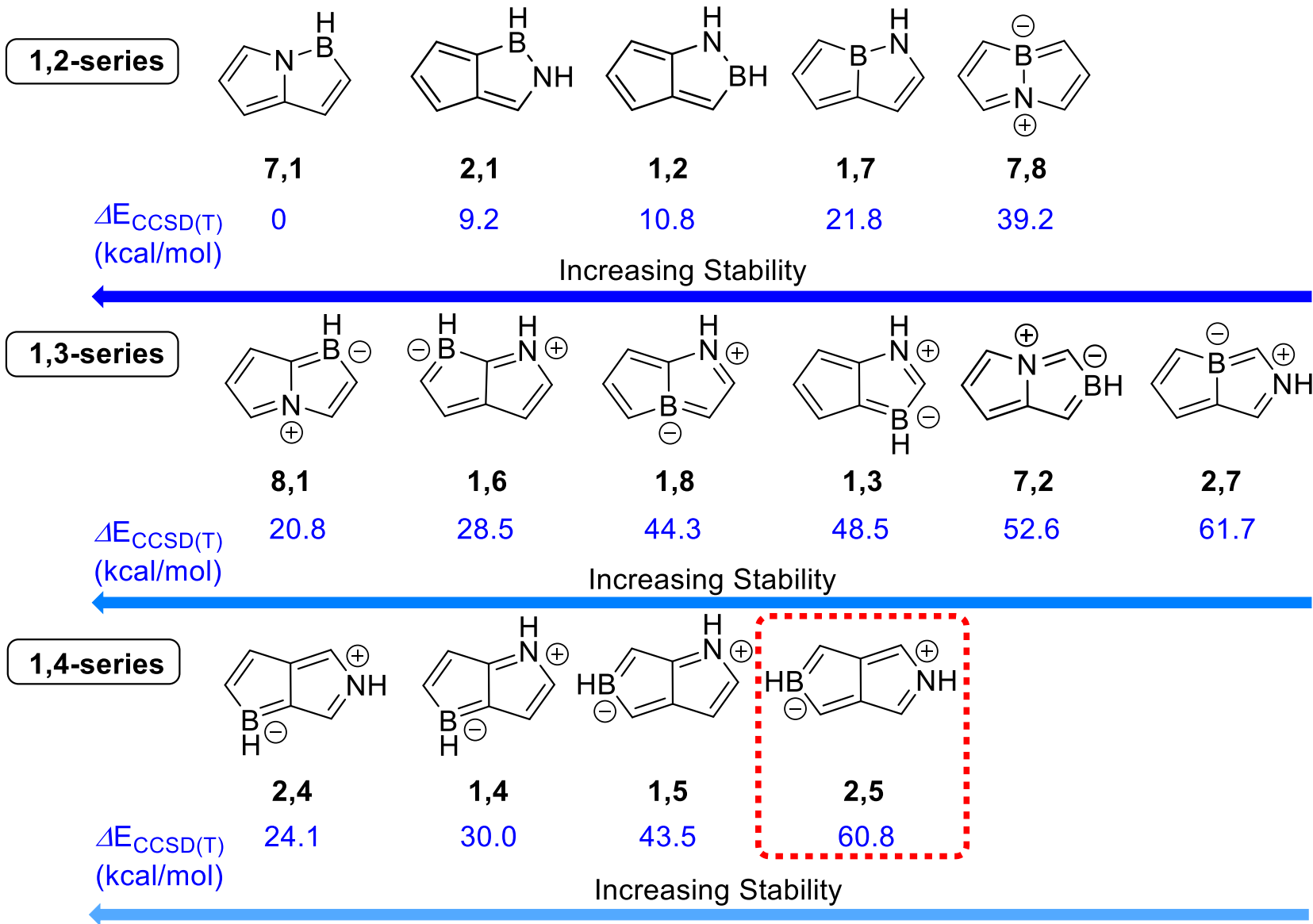
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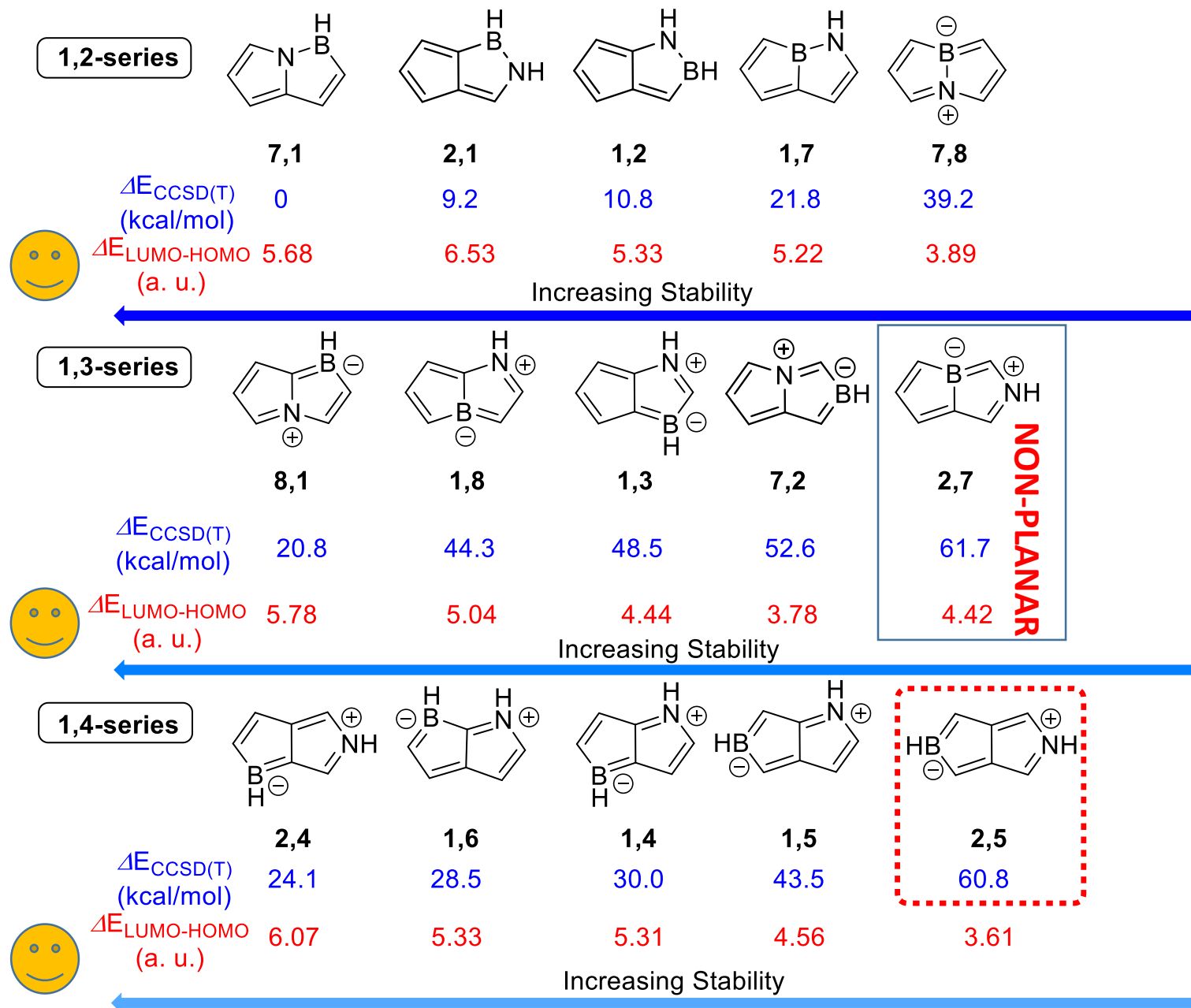
# BN-doped simplest ring-fused aromatics

Compound							
Isomer		1,2	2,1	1,10	2,3	5,10	10,1
$E_{rel}$		0.00	0.40	7.87	10.68	12.85	17.96
Compound							
Isomer	1,5	2,10	3,1	1,3	1,9	5,1	10,2
$E_{rel}$	0.00	1.46	1.53	2.00	8.58	10.37	11.54
$E_{rel}^b$	32.43	33.88	33.96	34.43	41.01	42.80	43.97
Compound							
Isomer	1,4	2,5	1,8	8,1	5,2	1,6	
$E_{rel}$	0.00	7.35	15.97	17.07	17.85	18.09	
$E_{rel}^b$	22.61	29.96	38.59	39.69	40.46	40.71	
Compound							
Isomer	1,7	7,1	2,8	2,7			
$E_{rel}$	0.00	0.88	1.44	0.00			
$E_{rel}^b$	46.56	47.44	48.00	41.72			

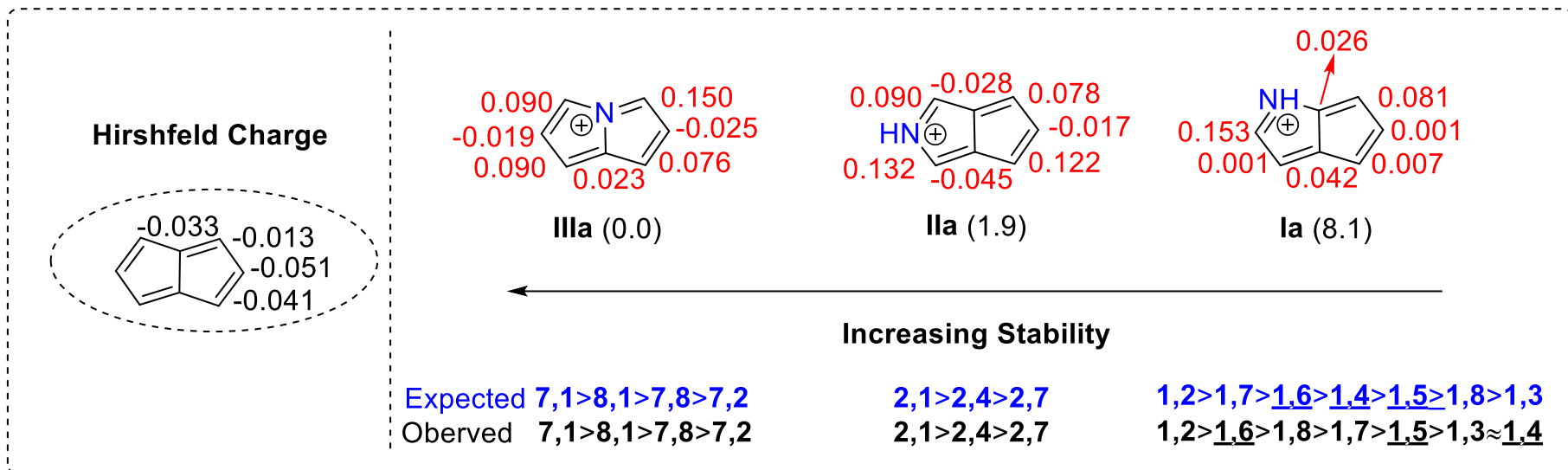
# Different Catalogs of BN-pentalenes



# HOMO-LUMO Gap

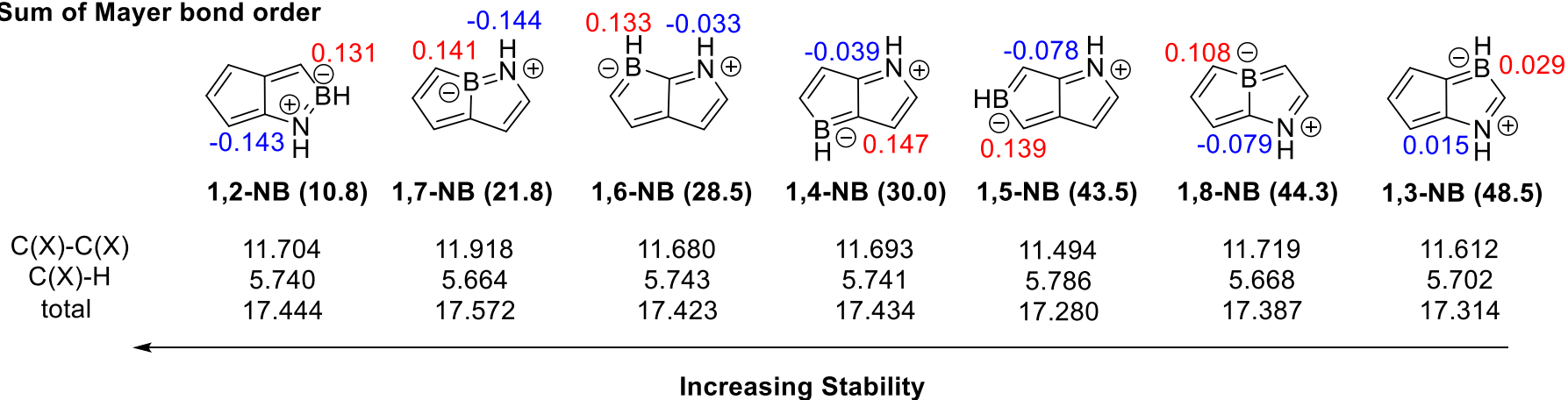


# Charge Distribution



**Figure.** Hirshfeld charges on parent NH-pentalenes and the thermodynamic stabilities of these isomers.

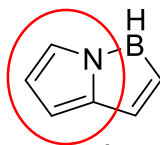
## Sum of Mayer bond order



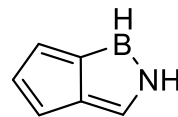
**Figure.** The sum of Mayer bond orders.

# Aromatic and Stability

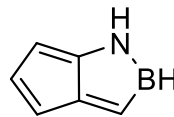
1,2-series



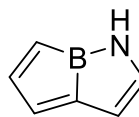
7,1



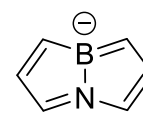
2,1



1,2



1,7



7,8

$\Delta E_{\text{CCSD(T)}}$   
(kcal/mol)

0

9.2

10.8

21.8

39.2

NICS(0) <sub>$\pi_{zz}$</sub>  -3.0/26.3

18.8/31.7

35.6/25.2

53.7/27.9

86.1/122.2

HOMA 0.144/0.677

0.155/0.275

-0.636/-0.146

-1.089/0.083

0.013/-0.039

MCI 0.058/0.016

0.040/0.019

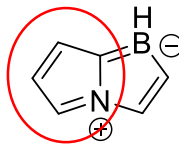
0.019/0.011

0.007/0.011

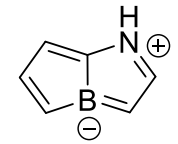
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Increasing Stability

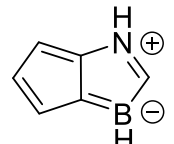
1,3-series



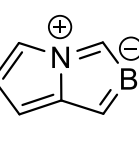
8,1



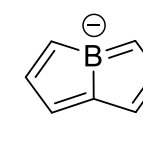
1,8



1,3



7,2



2,7

$\Delta E_{\text{CCSD(T)}}$   
(kcal/mol)

20.8

44.3

48.5

52.6

61.7

NICS(0) <sub>$\pi_{zz}$</sub>  -7.3/28.4

65.7/42.9

48.7/60.4

111.4/133.8

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HOMA 0.881/ 0.065

-1.267/ 0.306

0.512/-0.105

0.130/0.206

-0.824/0.264

MCI 0.072/0.014

0.006/0.012

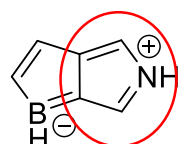
0.060/0.017

0.026/ 0.024

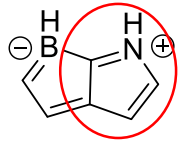
0.009/0.026

Increasing Stability

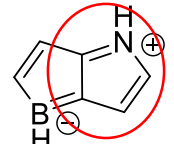
1,4-series



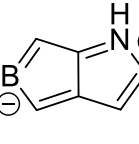
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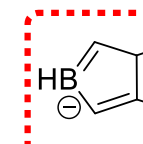
1,6



1,4



1,5



2,5

$\Delta E_{\text{CCSD(T)}}$   
(kcal/mol)

24.1

28.5

30.0

43.5

60.8

NICS(0) <sub>$\pi_{zz}$</sub>  28.6/-10.1

52.0/-13.8

48.4/-14.1

88.2/46.9

213.8/155.2

HOMA -0.311/0.756

-0.523/0.961

-0.564/0.8687

-1.043/-0.303

0.156/0.696

MCI 0.012/0.069

0.010/0.081

0.010/ 0.076

0.008/0.011

0.021/0.051

Increasing Stability



# Reactivity

$$\chi = -\frac{E_{\text{HOMO}} + E_{\text{LUMO}}}{2}$$

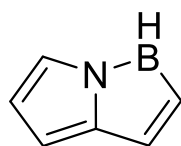
$$\omega = \frac{\chi^2}{2\eta}$$

$$N = \frac{1}{\omega}$$

Isomer	$E_{\text{LUMO}}$	$E_{\text{HOMO}}$	$\Delta E_{\text{LUMO-HOMO}}$	$\chi$	$\omega$	N	$\mu$
pentalene	-1.88	-6.78	4.9	4.33	1.91	0.52	
7,1	-1.42	-7.1	5.68	4.26	1.56	0.63	0.305
2,1	-1.58	-7.11	6.53	4.345	1.45	0.69	2.092
<b>1,2</b>	<b>-1.6</b>	<b>-6.93</b>	<b>5.33</b>	<b>4.265</b>	<b>1.71</b>	<b>0.59</b>	<b>0.938</b>
<b>1,7</b>	<b>-1.43</b>	<b>-6.65</b>	<b>5.22</b>	<b>4.04</b>	<b>1.56</b>	<b>0.64</b>	<b>1.360</b>
7,8	-2.21	-6.1	3.89	4.155	2.22	0.45	3.579
8,1	-1.54	-7.32	5.78	4.430	1.70	0.59	1.892
<b>1,6</b>	<b>-1.43</b>	<b>-6.76</b>	<b>5.33</b>	<b>4.095</b>	<b>1.57</b>	<b>0.64</b>	<b>1.986</b>
<b>1,8</b>	<b>-1.6</b>	<b>-6.64</b>	<b>5.04</b>	<b>4.120</b>	<b>1.68</b>	<b>0.59</b>	<b>2.738</b>
<b>1,3</b>	<b>-2.19</b>	<b>-6.63</b>	<b>4.44</b>	<b>4.410</b>	<b>2.19</b>	<b>0.46</b>	<b>5.388</b>
7,2	-2.52	-6.31	3.78	4.415	2.58	0.39	4.432
2,7	-1.73	-6.15	4.42	3.940	1.76	0.57	3.393
2,4	-1.09	-7.16	6.07	4.125	1.40	0.71	3.166
<b>1,4</b>	<b>-1.37</b>	<b>-6.68</b>	<b>5.31</b>	<b>4.025</b>	<b>1.53</b>	<b>0.66</b>	<b>2.856</b>
<b>1,5</b>	<b>-1.72</b>	<b>-6.28</b>	<b>4.56</b>	<b>4.000</b>	<b>1.75</b>	<b>0.57</b>	<b>3.480</b>
2,5	-2.54	-6.14	3.61	4.34	2.61	0.38	5.622

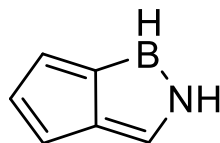
# BN-Azulenenes

1,2-series



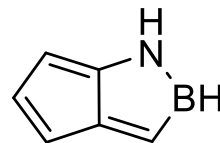
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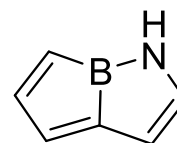
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9.2



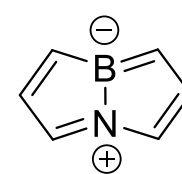
1,2

10.8



1,7

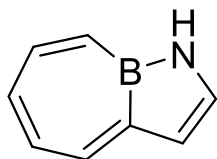
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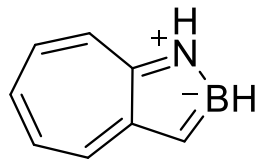
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39.2

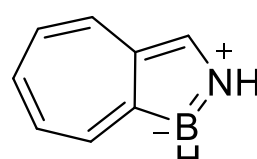
Increasing Stability



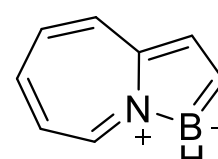
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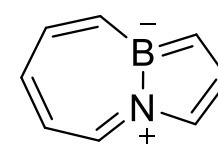
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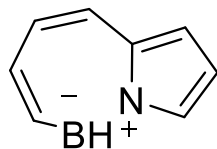
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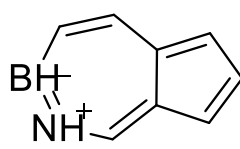
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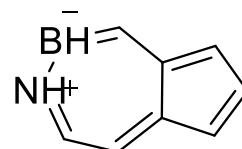
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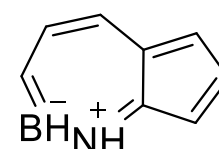
2.1



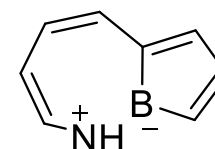
5.8



10.9

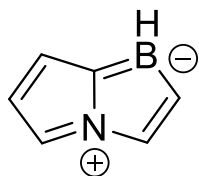


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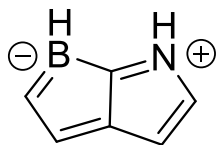
14.2

**1,3-series**



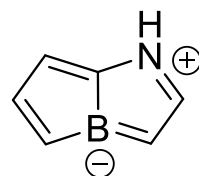
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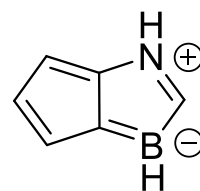
**1,6**

28.5



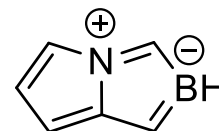
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44.3



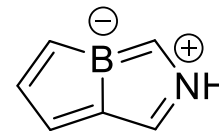
**1,3**

48.5



**7,2**

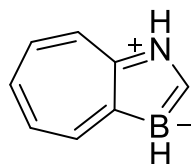
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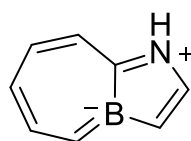
**2,7**

61.7

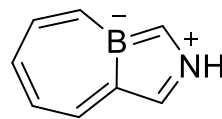
$\Delta E_{\text{CCSD(T)}}$   
(kcal/mol)



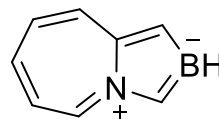
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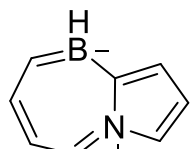
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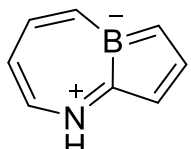
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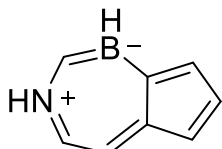
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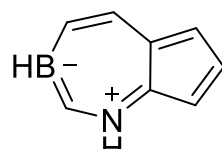
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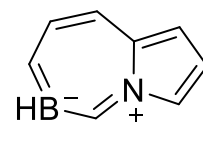
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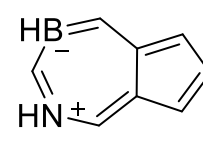
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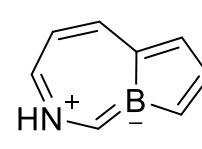
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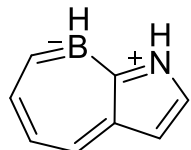
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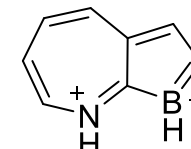
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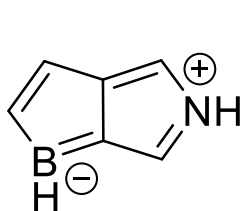


12.1



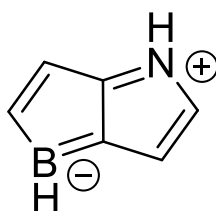
59.0

1,4-series



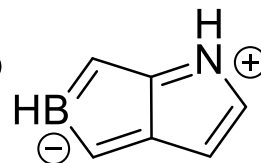
2,4

24.1



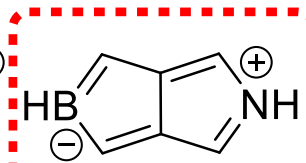
1,4

30.0



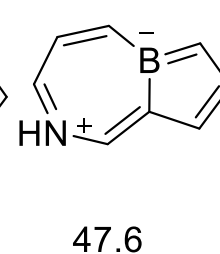
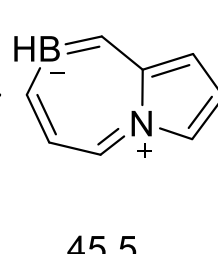
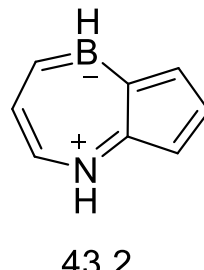
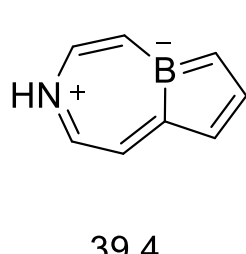
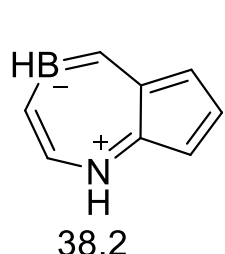
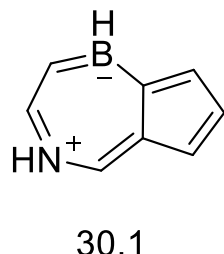
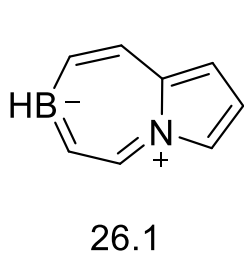
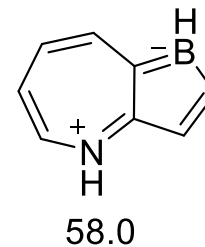
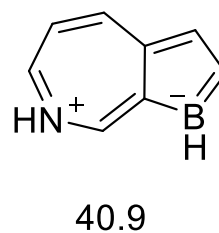
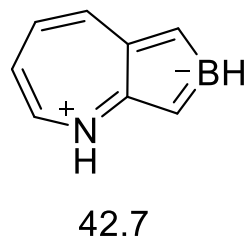
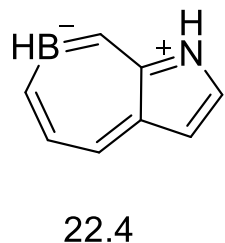
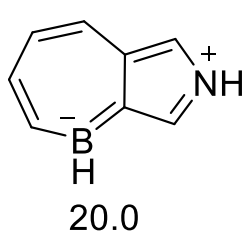
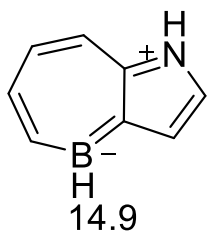
1,5

43.5

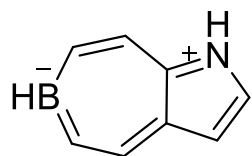


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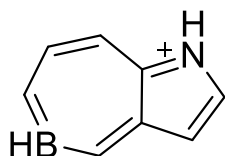
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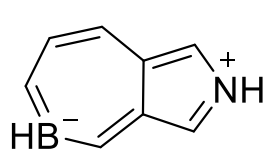
## 1,5-SERIES



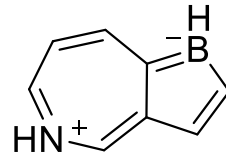
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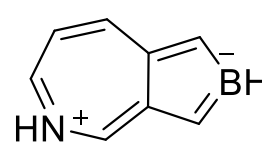
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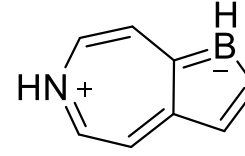
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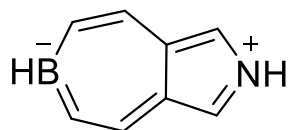


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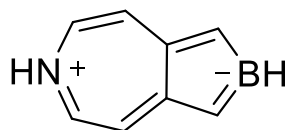


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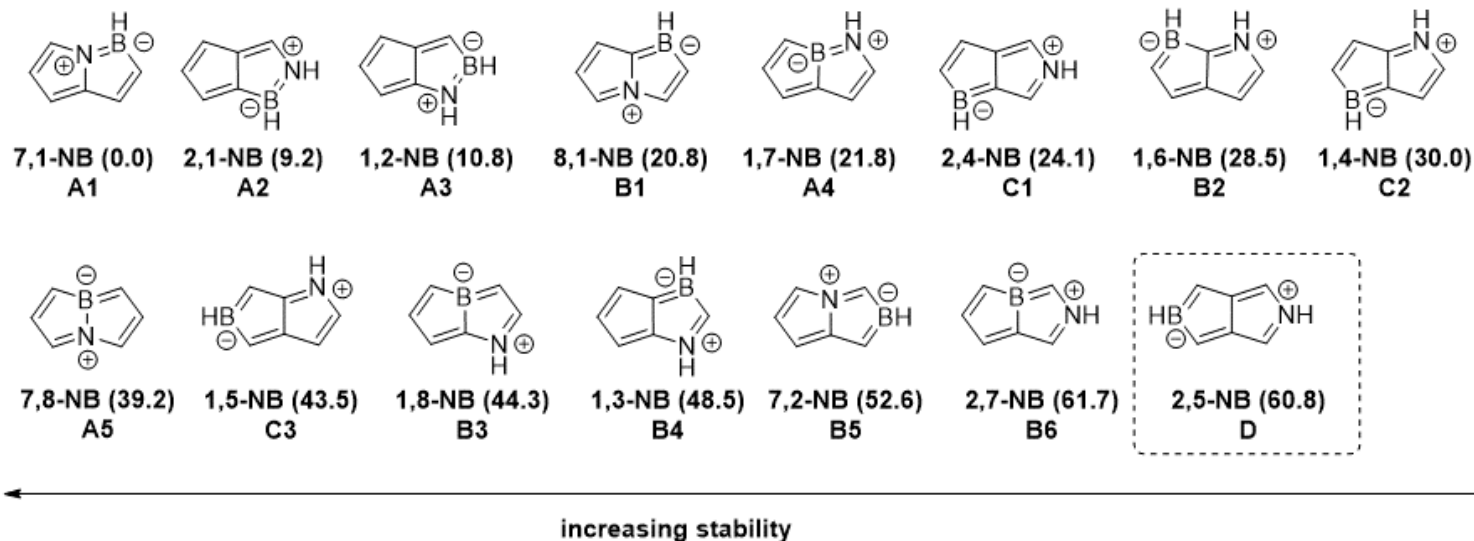
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# Current conclusion & Future work

## □ Conclusion



Charge (Hirshfeld) distribution can be used to explain stability of most isomers. Aromaticity and stability does not have very strong correlation

## □ Future work

- Gobar electrophilicity/nucleophilicity
- Electrostatic potentials
- Dipole moment
- Bond order
- Ring strain
- .....

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