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Overview

- Intro to halogen bonding and the concept of the σ hole
- · Thermodynamics of halogen bonding interactions
- Halogen bond catalysis
- Potential Applications of halogen bonding

Background

 Proposed IUPAC Definition: "A halogen bond occurs when there is evidence of a net attractive interaction between an electrophilic region associated with a halogen atom in a molecular entity and a nucleophilic region in another, or the same, molecular entity."

R-X ---- :LB distance shorter than sum of van der Waals radii

worth: 0 - 10 kcal/mol comparison: moderate hydrogen bond

- The halogen is termed the "halogen bond donor," even though it is the acceptor of electron density. The Lewis base is called the "halogen bond acceptor," even though it is the donor of electron density.
- First observed in 1863 by Guthrie and later by Norris with amine complexes of dihalides

NH ₃ • I ₂	NMe ₃ • Br ₂
1863	1896
	Rissanen, K. Pure Appl. Chem. 2013, 85

5, 1711. Guthrie, F. J. Chem. Soc. 1863, 16, 239. Remsen, I.; Norris, J. Am. Chem. J. 1896, 18, 90.

- The term "halogen bonding" was introduced by Dumas1976.
- 1969 Nobel Prize: Hassel reports halogen bonding in a crystal structure.



Dumas, J.-M.; Kern, M.; Dubry-Janier, J. L. Bull. Soc. Chim. Fr. 1976, 1785. Hassel, O. Science 1970, 170, 497.

 Much early work concerned identification of halogen bonding in crystal structures and studying it theoretically.

The σ Hole: A Provocative Picture

· How do halogens interact with Lewis bases?

halogen bond donor halogen bond acceptor



sigma-hole











bonding

LB

traditional view

view [anisotropic e distribution]

modern



Murray, J.; Politzer P. *Halogen Bonding: An Electrostatically-Driven Interaction*. 2nd International Workshop on Halogen bonding. Milan, Itlay. May, 7, 2010. Politzer et al. *Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.* **2013**, *15*, 11178. Tian et al. *J. Phys. Chem. A.* **2004**, *108*, 1799.





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Factors affecting electrostatic potential of the $\boldsymbol{\sigma}$ hole

- Polarizability of halogen
- Electronegativity of halogen



- As a halogen bond donor: F << Cl < Br < I
- Electron-withdrawing capability of "R"



- More electron-withdrawing "R" = better halogen bond donor
- Halogen bond ability: $R(sp^3) < R(sp^2)$, R(sp)

Terraneo et al. *Chem. Soc. Rev.* **2011**, *40*, 2267. Taylor et al. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2010**, *132*, 1646.

Strength of halogen bonding: Brief Overview

Typical strength of interaction: 0 – 10 kcal/mol

Classical	Worth (kcal/mol)
ion-ion interactions:	50-70
ion-dipole interactions:	12-50
dipole-dipole interactions	s: 1-12
hydrogen bonding, stron	a: 14-28
medi	um: 3-14
weak	: <3
cation - π :	1-20
$\pi - \pi$:	0-12
van der Waals:	<1
hydrophobic:	solvent dependent
New	New
anion - π:	?
C-H - π:	weak

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C-H - anion:	weak
halogen bonding:	0 - 10

• Typically distance of interaction: 20% reduction of van der Waals radii between donor and acceptor

Table 1. Sum of van der Waals Radii between Halogen and Halogen Bond Acceptors in Å

halogen	nitrogen	oxygen	sulfur
fluorine	3.02	2.99	3.27
chlorine	3.30	3.27	3.55
bromine	3.40	3.37	3.65
iodine	3.53	3.50	3.78

Rissanen, K. *Tubulous and Porous Materials via Halogen Bonding*. 2nd International Workshop on Halogen bonding. Milan, Itlay. May, 7, 2010. Narayan et al. *J. Chem. Inf. Model.* **2013**, 53, 2781. ÷

Table 1. Distance depende	ncies of noncovalent intera	Energy dependence on distance
Charge-charge	· }−NH 3 ⁺ −O 2C−}	1/r
Charge–dipole	ξ−NH ₃ ⁺ ^{−δ} ⊂ H ^{δ⁺} −NH ₃ ⁺ H ₃ ⁺	1 <i>/</i> r ²
Dipole–dipole	$\overline{\mathbf{O}}_{\mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{S}^{+}}}^{\mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{S}^{+}}} = \overline{\mathbf{O}}_{\mathbf{O}}^{\mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{S}^{+}}} = \overline{\mathbf{O}}_{\mathbf{O}}^{\mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{S}^{+}}}$	1 <i>/</i> r ³
Charge-induced dipole	§−CO₂− * δ	1 <i>i</i> r ⁴
Dipole-induced dipole	^{−δ} 0, H ^{δ+} H _{δ+} −δ δ+ -5.	1 <i>i</i> r ⁵
Dispersion	$\begin{array}{c} & & \\$	1 <i>/</i> r ⁶
H-bond	<u>_N-но</u> =(Complicated $\sim 1/r^2$
Steric repulsion	ѯ−сн₃ ≬н ₃с-ѯ	1/ r ¹²

- · Halogen bonding can be competitive with hydrogen bonding
- This interaction has important implications for anesthetics







CHF₂

halothane [anesthetic]

isoflurane [anesthetic]

desflurane [anesthetic]

Knowles, R.; Jacobsen, E. *PNAS* **2010**, *107*, 20678. Paolo, T.; Sandorfy, C. *Can. J. Chem.* **1974**, *52*, 3612.



FIG. 1. The i.r. spectra of a 0.6 M solution of diethylamine in a 1:1 mixture of CCl₃F and methylcyclohexane (FM) at -190 °C in the presence of variable amounts of n-C₃F₇Br. Concentration of n-C₃F₇Br: A, 1.04 M; B, 0.87 M; C, 0.62 M; D, 0.42 M; E, 0.32 M; F, 0.08 M; G, 0.

=> This is really cool! Halogens may not only increase the efficacy of drugs, but may be *responsible* for the mechanism of action!!!

Strength of halogen bonding: Contributing Factors

 Nature of the halogen bond acceptor (E_{HOMO}, HSABT, etc.) Interactions of I₂:



Terraneo et al. *Chem. Soc. Rev.* **2011**, *40*, 2267. Ghomari et al. *Chem. Eur. J.* **2011**, *17*, 10431.

Table 4. Examples of substituent effects increasing or decreasing diiodine basicity.

Substituted base	pK_{B12}	Parent base	р <i>К</i> _{в12}	Main substituent effect	$\delta p K_{\rm B12}^{[a]}$
4-Me ₂ NC ₅ H ₄ N	3.78	C ₅ H ₅ N	2.22	resonance	+1.56
Cl ₃ PS	-1.39	Me ₃ PS	3.60	field/inductive	-4.99
$nBuNH_2$	3.00	$\rm NH_3$	1.76	polarisability	+1.24
$iBu_2(nPr)N$	1.11	NMe ₃	3.88	steric	-2.77







Ghomari et al. *Chem. Eur. J.* **2011**, *17*, 10431 Terraneo et al. *Chem. Soc. Rev.* **2011**, *40*, 2267. Taylor et al. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2010**, *132*, 1646.



If you need to find a complexation constant, check out the supporting info of *Chem. Eur. J.* 2011, *17*, 10431. It has ~800 complexation constants for I₂ with ~800 bases:

Organic Halogen-bond donors : I(CF₂)₅CF₃ in CCl₄ and C₆H₆ at 25 °C						
Base	р <i>К</i> в12	Solvent	pK _{BI(CF2)5CF3}	Solvent	pK _{BI(CF2)5CF3}	
Tri-n-Butylphosphane oxide	2.75	CCl ₄	0.6	C_6H_6	0.7	
Quinuclidine	5.22	CCl_4	1.2	C_6H_6	1.6	
Diazabicyclooctane	4.69	CCl_4	0.7	C_6H_6	1.2	
Piperidine	3.85	CCl_4	0.7	C_6H_6	0.9	
n-Hexylamine	3.00	CCl_4	-0.2	C_6H_6	0.3	
Diethylamine	3.73	CCl_4	0.1	C_6H_6	0.6	
Triethylamine	3.67	CCl_4	0.3	C_6H_6	0.3	
Pyridine	2.22	CCl_4	-0.1	C_6H_6	0.0	

Ghomari et al. *Chem. Eur. J.* **2011**, *17*, 10431 Taylor et al. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2010**, *132*, 1646. Denticity of halogen bond donors



Table 1: Binding constants of 1 a-d with $nBu_4N^+X^-$ (acetone, 295 K).

Entry	Halogen-bond donor	Χ-	<i>К</i> _а [м ⁻¹] ^[а]
1	la	Cl-	70
2	1 b	Cl⁻	1.1×10^{3}
3	lc	Cl−	1.8×10^{3}
4	٦d	Cl⁻	1.9×10^{4}



 $K_a(C\Gamma, DCM) = 6.1 \times 10^4 M^{-1}$ $\Delta G = -6.4 \text{ kcal/mol}$ $K_a(CI^-, CH_3CN) = 1.1 \times 10^7 M^{-1}$ $K_a(CI^-, CHCI_3/MeOH) = 1.9 \times 10^3 M^{-1}$

Taylor et al. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2010**, *49*, 1674. Crabtree et al. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1997**, *119*, 2325. Hof et al. *Org. Lettt.* **2008**, *10*, 4653.

Solvent Effects



Taylor et al. *Chem. Eur. J.* **2013**, *19*, 2050. Taylor et al. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2010**, *13*2, 1646.

Directionality of halogen bonding

 Halogen bonding is highly directional, rigorously preferring a 180° geometry between halogen bond donor and acceptor



Complex interactions in binding pockets can cause deviation from this linear geometry



Murray-Rust et al. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1986**, *108*, 4308. Taylor et al. *Chem. Eur. J.* **2013**, *19*, 2050.







Murray-Rust et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1986, 108, 4308.

• Halogen bonding can even occurs with Lewis bases as weak as neutral halogens.



R—Br

 θ_2°





Murray-Rust et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1986**, 108, 4308. Burns-lab-best-lab JACS+++, #1



Beer et al. Cryst. Growth Des. 2011, 11, 4565.

Enthalpy and entropy of halogen bonding



- Binding event is entropically favored

- Favoribiliity attributed to desolvation of donor
- Entropy can be dominant factor in ΔG
- Entropic favoribility is not easily predicted

Taylor et al. *Chem. Eur. J.* **2013**, *19*, 2050. Huber et al. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2012**, *134*, 8507. Schmidtchen et al. *Chem. Eur. J.* **2011**, *17*, 5972.



CD₃CN, H₂O ≥95%

> Huber et al. Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2011, 50, 7187. Huber et al. Chem. Eur. J. 2012, 18, 1306. Huber et al. Chem. Commun. 2012, 48, 9299.

Halogen bond catalysis

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Bolm, C. Synlett 2008, 6, 900.



- · Halothane (anesthetic; a WHO essential medicine)
 - Ferritin is a protein that releases iron to synthesize heme and other iron cofactors
 - (S)-halothane binds twice as strongly as (R)
 - Br O (3.10 Å, 144.9°) [Normal: 3.37 Å, 8%]



Fig. 6 Halothane makes two simultaneous halogen bonds with ferritin. The bromine atom (depicted in brown) interacts with the main chain oxygen of Leu24, while the chlorine atom (shown in pale green) forms a halogen- π contact with the ring of Tyr28 (PDB code: 1XZ1).

• Triclosan (microbiocide commonly in toothpaste and soap)

- Inhibits enoyl-acyl carrier protein reductase (enzyme involved in fatty acid chain growth)
- Cl O (3.08 Å, 166.2°) [Normal: 3.27 Å, 6%]



Fig. 8 The Cl(15) atom of triclosan (depicted in pale green) forms a halogen bond with the carbonyl oxygen of the Ala97 residue of the enoyl-acyl carrier protein reductase from *Bacillus anthracis* (PDB code: 2QIO).



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hcatL inhibitors (catabolism of collagen and elastin)



 Table 4
 Geometric parameters in the crystal structures of analogues 20–25 with hcatL

		Angle (°)		Distance (Å)	
Compound	х	$C\text{-}X{\cdots}O$	X···O—C	X···O	IC ₅₀ (µM)
20	Ме	157	156	3.6	0.13
21	CF ₃	169	150	3.6	0.095
22	F	145	165	4.5	0.34
23	Cl	171	147	3.0	0.022
24	Br	176	146	3.1	0.012
25	Ι	175	145	3.1	0.0065



Fig. 14 Inhibitor binding to hcatL showing relevant angles and distances for (a) 22, X = F; (b) 23, X = Cl; (c) 24, X = Br; (d) 25, X = I.

- BI 201335 (NS3-NS4A protease inhibitor of hepatitis C)
 - In phase III clinic trials for hepatitis C infection
 - Br O (3.0 Å, 169°) [Normal: 3.27 Å, 11%]

Table 5Structure–activity relationships for hepatitis virus C protease inhibitors43–48



Compound	Х	$\mathrm{IC}_{50}{}^{a}\left(\mathrm{nM}\right)$	EC_{50}^{b} (nM)	K_i^c (nM)
43	Ме	10 ± 2	17 ± 8	_
44	F	7 ± 2	36 ± 10	_
45	\mathbf{Cl}	7 ± 2	11 ± 2	_
46	Br	7 ± 2	5 ± 2	_
47	Br	3 ± 1	3 ± 1	0.53 ± 0.05
48	н	—	—	1.89 ± 0.06



Fig. 15 Inhibitor binding to NS3–NS4A protease for (a) **47** (BI 201335) and (b) **48** (desbromo analog), showing quinoline portion only. Distances, angles and select residues are labelled.

What can halogen bonding bring to the table?

• The field is blowing up but progress, especially in chemical catalysis, lags behind.

Hits 1983 - 2009 (Sci Finder, CAS) for "Halogen bonding"



Extensions & some considerations

- · What can halogen bonds do that hydrogen bonds cannot?
 - · specificity in anion binding
 - stability to strong base (asymmetric ketone additions?)
 - · biological stability
 - macrostructure of materials
 - amphoteric behavior

Tandem hydrogen bonding can provide 1.2 kcal/mol of additional stabilization



Scheme 2. Hydrogen-bond-assisted halogen bonds.

Ghomari et al. *Chem. Eur. J.* **2011**, *17*, 10431. Taylor et al. *Chem. Soc. Rev.* **2013**, *42*, 1667.

- · Halogens in medicine
 - The protein databank (2008): 1000 protein structures contained halogenated ligands, 154 exhibited halogen bonding
 - so far, halogen bonding interactions have been realized "after-the-fact" in crystal structures, and often not deliberately used as design elements
 - · orthogonal point of contact in drugs



- Can halogens do things that other structural features could not (anion transport across lipid membranes, aesthetic properties, etc?)
 - Not only binding affinity, but activity of a drug
- What role can enantioenriched halogenated drugs play?

Taylor et al. *Chem. Soc. Rev.* **2013**, *42*, 1667. Ho et al. *Nature Chemistry.* **2009**, *1*, 74.

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