

Supplementary Data: Ion-induced soot nucleation using a new potential for curved aromatics

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1. Corannulene geometry and charges

Corannulene elements, geometry (x, y, z in nm) and charges, in the curPAHIP potential. The element X represents the virtual mass-less atoms used to describe the flexoelectric effect, which are held above and parallel to the pentagon ring using intramolecular forces.

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CORANNULENE with curPAHIP charges

C	0.103	0.064	0.085	0.020
C	0.093	-0.078	0.085	0.020
C	-0.045	-0.112	0.085	0.020
C	-0.121	0.008	0.085	0.020
C	-0.030	0.117	0.085	0.020
C	0.205	0.129	0.022	0.177
C	0.310	0.049	-0.032	-0.201
C	0.300	-0.090	-0.032	-0.201
C	0.187	-0.156	0.022	0.177
C	0.143	-0.279	-0.032	-0.201
C	0.007	-0.313	-0.033	-0.201
C	-0.090	-0.225	0.022	0.177
C	-0.242	0.016	0.022	0.177
C	-0.296	-0.103	-0.032	-0.201
C	-0.222	-0.222	-0.032	-0.201
C	-0.280	0.142	-0.031	-0.201
C	-0.190	0.250	-0.031	-0.201
C	-0.059	0.235	0.023	0.177
C	0.049	0.310	-0.032	-0.201
C	0.178	0.258	-0.032	-0.201
H	-0.221	0.345	-0.072	0.133
H	0.031	0.408	-0.072	0.133
H	0.259	0.317	-0.073	0.133
H	0.398	0.097	-0.072	0.133
H	0.380	-0.149	-0.075	0.133
H	0.215	-0.348	-0.073	0.133
H	-0.024	-0.408	-0.074	0.133
H	-0.265	-0.312	-0.073	0.133
H	-0.396	-0.103	-0.074	0.133
H	-0.378	0.155	-0.073	0.133

X	0.103	0.064	0.132	-0.063
X	0.093	-0.078	0.132	-0.063
X	-0.045	-0.113	0.132	-0.063
X	-0.121	0.008	0.133	-0.063
X	-0.030	0.117	0.133	-0.063

2. curPAHIP parameters in SI units

Table S1: Parameters of curPAHIP in SI units

Atom pair	ρ (nm)	α (nm ⁻¹)	C_6 (kJmol ⁻¹ nm ⁶)
C C	0.2993	35.49	0.0017458
C H	0.2610	33.18	0.00072665
H H	0.2180	26.54	0.00030083

3. K⁺ interaction parameters in SI units

$$\sigma = 0.51 \text{ nm and } \epsilon = 0.00009 \text{ kJ/mol}$$