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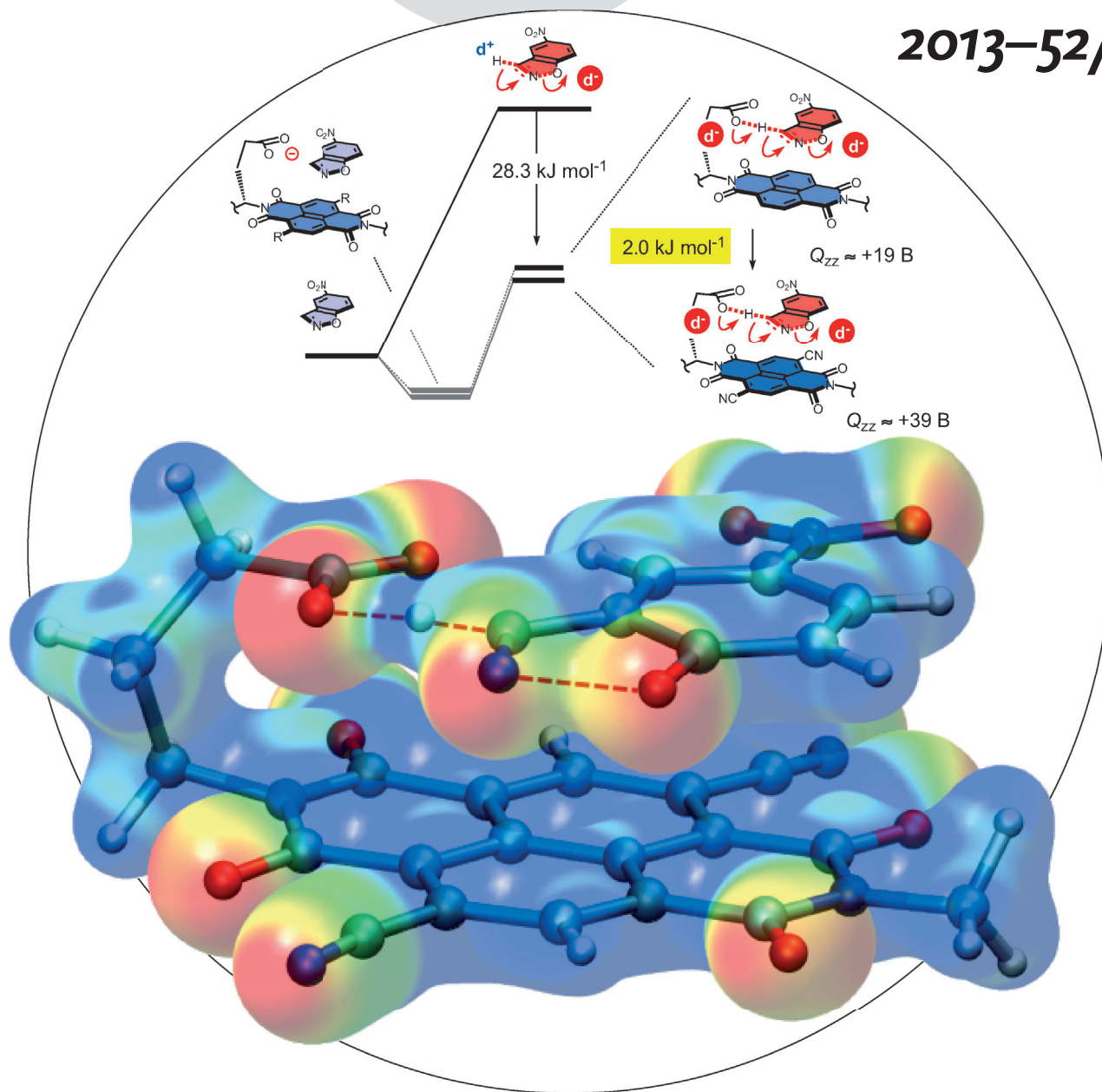
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## The increasing stabilization ...

... of an anionic transition state with the increasing  $\pi$  acidity of newly made catalysts provides unprecedented experimental evidence that anion- $\pi$  interactions can contribute to catalysis. In their Communication on page 9940 ff., S. Matile et al. further disclose theoretical simulations of anion- $\pi$  catalysis that illustrate how the negative charge slides over the  $\pi$ -acidic surface of the naphthalenediimide catalyst.

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