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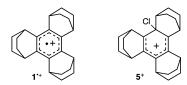
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We deeply regret that we must correct a serious error in the structure of a key compound in this article. Recently, we found that the previously reported salt of the radical cation of benzene tris-annelated with bicyclo[2.2.2]octene, $\mathbf{1}^{\bullet+}\text{SbCl}_6^-$, was in fact a chloro-substituted arenium ion salt, $\mathbf{5}^+\text{SbCl}_6^-$.



Upon repeated X-ray crystallography,¹ the molecule was highly disordered but was shown to contain a covalently connected Cl atom. The thermal ellipsoid plot of one component of the disordered arenium ions is shown in Figure 1. A similar product was reported by Kochi et al. for the reaction of benzene tris-annelated with bicyclo[2.2.1]heptene with SbCl₅.² The identity of arenium ion 5^+ is also clear from a close resemblance of the electronic absorption in CH₂Cl₂ (501 nm, ϵ 5700) to that of Kochi's arenium ion (510 nm, ϵ 4700). We are grateful to Prof. Rajendra Rathore of Marquette University for pointing out this error.

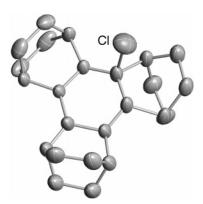


Figure 1. Thermal ellipsoid plot of one component of disordered 5^+SbCl_6^- . Hydrogens, counteranion, and a solvent molecule (1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethane) are omitted for clarity.

Supporting Information Available: X-ray data for salt **5**⁺SbCl₆⁻, in CIF format. This material is available free of charge via the Internet at http://pubs.acs.org.

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- (1) Crystal data for $5^+SbCl_6^-$: $C_{24}H_{30}Cl^+SbCl_6^-$: $C_2H_2Cl_4$, MW=856.22, orthorhombic, Pnma, a=18.344(4), b=12.128(2), and c=15.010(3) Å, V=3339.3(11) Å³, Z=4, Mo K α radiation, crystal dimensions $0.30\times0.30\times0.20$ mm. The 3992 unique reflections were collected at $100~{\rm K}$ with $I>2\sigma(I)$ converging at RI=0.0360, wRI=0.0945.
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