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# ABSTRACT

Alzheimer's disease (AD) is a progressive, degenerative neurological disorder for which there is no cure. The causative agent is  $\beta$ -amyloid ( $A\beta$ ) which becomes neurotoxic upon conformational change from  $\alpha$ -helix to  $\beta$ -sheet. *In silico* methods have been used to identify endogenous small molecules of the brain that are capable of binding to  $A\beta$  to inhibit conformational changes; this is a novel approach to the disease. Through the use of computational methods, several small molecules that are endogenous to the brain, such as phosphoserine, have been identified as being capable of binding to the monomeric forms of  $A\beta$ ; *in vitro* studies support their role as anti-aggregants. One of the small molecules identified through these *in silico* methods, 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid (3HAA) has been developed through the use of Quantitative Structure-Activity Relationship (QSAR) studies to design more potent analogues. These *in silico* studies have also examined the capacity of synthetic compounds (structurally similar to endogenous molecules) to bind to both  $A\beta$  and other proteins affiliated with AD. Results indicate the potential for a single molecule to bind "promiscuously" to multiple proteins bearing a common BBXB (where B is a basic amino acid) motif affiliated with AD. This will allow for the development of molecules to target AD in a multifaceted approach. Furthermore, these small molecules can be selected through the use of "physinformatics" to bind with equal efficacy to the HHQK and LVFF regions (which play a role in the misfolding process) of  $A\beta$ ; this will prevent conformational changes of the protein. A novel diagnostic imaging agent for AD has also been developed through computational methods; solapsone (formerly used to treat leprosy) has been identified as being structurally similar to species that bind to  $A\beta$  to initiate conformational changes. Results show that solapsone can chelate gadolinium, used in MRI, and bind to the soluble forms of  $A\beta$ , allowing for imaging of the toxic species in the human brain, and thus a definitive diagnosis of AD (which is not currently possible with living patients). Computational methods have proved useful in developing a new approach to treating AD, and designing a novel imaging agent.

# LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS USED

3HAA	3-hydroxyanthranilic acid
A	(in AAXA) an aliphatic or aromatic amino acid
A*	alanine, where * indicates its location on the protein chain
A $\beta$	$\beta$ -amyloid
A $\beta$ 40	$\beta$ -amyloid (residues 1-40)
A $\beta$ 42	$\beta$ -amyloid (residues 1-42)
ACh	acetylcholine
AChE	acetylcholinesterase
AChEI	acetylcholinesterase inhibitor
$\alpha_1$ -ACT	alpha-1-antichymotrypsin
AD	Alzheimer's disease
ADDLs	A $\beta$ -derived diffusible ligands
ApoE	Apolipoprotein E
Apo $\epsilon$ 4	Apolipoprotein $\epsilon$ 4
APP	Amyloid precursor protein
APPs	soluble shortened APP fragment
Ar	an aromatic ring
BACE1	beta-site APP cleaving enzyme
B	a basic amino acid (in BBXB)
B7-1	T lymphocyte activation antigen
BBB	blood-brain barrier
BHMT	betaine-homocysteine methyl transferase
C	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup> functional group
C*	cysteine, where * indicates its position on the protein chain
C1qA	complement component 1, q subcomponent, chain A

CD	circular dichroism
CHARMM	Chemistry at HARvard Macromolecular Mechanics
CS	used to indicate the central SO <sub>2</sub> group on solapson
CSF	cerebrospinal fluid
D*	aspartic acid, where * indicates its position on the protein chain
DPDP	dipyridoxyl diphosphate
E*	glutamic acid, where * indicates its position on the protein chain
EDTA	ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid
<b>EVHHQK</b>	amino acid residues glutamic acid11- valine12- histidine13-histidine14- glutamine15-lysine16 of the β-amyloid peptide
F*	phenylalanine, where * indicates its position on the protein chain
FF	phenylalanine-phenylalanine
FAD	familial Alzheimer's disease
G*	glycine, where * indicates its position on the protein chain
H*	histidine, where * indicates its position on the protein chain
HH	histidine-histidine
<b>HHQK</b>	amino acid residues histidine13-histidine14-glutamine15-lysine16 of the β-amyloid peptide
I*	isoleucine, where * indicates its position on the protein chain
ICAM-1	intercellular adhesion molecule 1
IFN-γ	interferon-gamma
IL-1βCE	interleukin-1 β converting enzyme
IL-4	interleukin 4
IL-12	interleukin 12
IL-13	interleukin 13
In	represents interactions with an indole
InB	represents interactions with the benzyl ring of an indole

InP	represents interactions with the pyrrole ring of an indole
K*	lysine, where * indicates its position on the protein chain
L*	leucine, where * indicates its position on the protein chain
LB1	used to indicate the first benzyl ring on the left side of solapsone
LB2	used to indicated the furthest benzyl ring on the left side of solapsone
LNH	used to indicate the –NH- on the left side of solapsone
LS1	used to indicate the first sulfonate group on the left side of solapsone
LS2	used to indicate the furthest sulfonate group on the left side of solapsone
LVFF	amino acid residues leucine17-valine18-phenylalanine19-phenylalanine20
M*	methionine, where * indicates its position on the protein chain
MIP-1 $\alpha$	macrophage inflammatory protein-1 $\alpha$
MIP-1 $\beta$	macrophage inflammatory protein-1 $\beta$
MOE	Molecular Operating Environment
MRI	magnetic resonance imaging
N	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup> functional group
N*	asparagine, where * indicates its position on the protein chain
NCE	novel chemical entity
NEP	neprilysin
NFTs	neurofibrillary tangles
NMDA	N-methyl-D-aspartate
NMR	nuclear magnetic resonance
O	OH functional group
O <sup>1</sup>	OH group meta to the ethylamine on dopamine
O <sup>2</sup>	OH group para to the ethylamine on dopamine
p3	non-amyloidogenic fragment cleaved from APP
P	PO <sub>3</sub> H <sup>-</sup> functional group

P*	proline, where * indicates its position on the protein chain
PCA	principal components analysis
PDB	Protein Data Bank
PES	potential energy surface
PET	positron emission tomography
PLS	partial-least squares
PVS	polyvinylsulfonate
Q*	glutamine, where * indicates its position on the protein chain
QSAR	Quantitative Structure-Activity Relationship
R*	arginine, where * indicates its position on the protein chain
RANTES	regulated upon activation, normal T-cell expressed, and secreted
RB1	used to indicate the first benzyl ring on the right side of solapone
RB2	used to indicate the furthest benzyl ring on the right side of solapone
RCSB	Research Collaboratory for Structural Bioinformatics
RNH	used to indicate the –NH- on the right side of solapone
RS1	used to indicate the first sulfonate group on the right side of solapone
RS2	used to indicate the furthest sulfonate group on the right side of solapone
S	SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> functional group
S*	serine, where * indicates its position on the protein chain
SDF-1	stromal cell-derived factor-1
T	threonine, where * indicates its position on the protein chain
ThT	thioflavin T
V*	valine, where * indicates its position on the protein chain
V*	valine, where * indicates its position on the protein chain
W*	tryptophan, where * indicates its position on the protein chain
X	a variable representative of any non-specified amino acid
Y*	tyrosine, where * indicates its position on the protein chain

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# CHAPTER 1: INTRODUCTION

Computational chemistry is an extremely useful field of chemistry in the realm of medicinal chemistry and drug design. A variety of techniques available to the computational chemist can be utilized in many aspects of the drug design process. The combined use of computationally calculated descriptors and biological activities can be used to perform quantitative structure-activity relationship (QSAR) studies in order to optimize the design of novel therapeutic molecules. Molecular dynamics simulations can be used to examine how certain molecules will interact with lipid membranes, and molecular modelling can be used to optimize systems to determine whether molecules will bind to proteins at a specific targeted region. These techniques are becoming an integral part of modern drug design, and are particularly useful in developing new drugs to treat Alzheimer's disease (AD). The beginning of this chapter will provide background material on Alzheimer's disease, its development, treatment and diagnosis. The latter part of the chapter will detail the background behind the computational methods used, and the goals of this research.

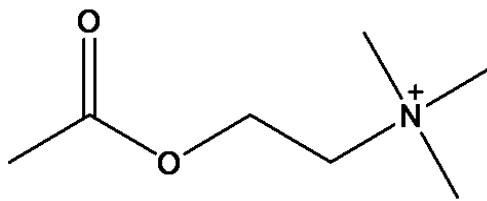
## **1.1 ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

Alzheimer's disease, so named for Alois Alzheimer who first described the disease in 1907, is a neurodegenerative disorder that is both progressive and degenerative and is the leading cause of dementia among the elderly [1, 2]. This disease is becoming increasingly prevalent as the population ages. Currently there is no cure or drug to prevent this disease [3].

The psychological and physical manifestations of the disease are characterized by many symptoms, including behavioural changes and cognitive deterioration that lead to increasing requirements for care, particularly as the disease progresses from a mild to a severe form, which coincides with a decrease in the patient's functional independence [2, 3]. While the primary symptom is dementia, there can also be symptoms such as irritability or mood changes, depression, disinhibition, anxiety, sleep disorders and wandering [2]. The disease is therefore most often diagnosed through tests for these psychological and memory-related changes, along with the use of imaging techniques of which positron emission tomography (PET) is becoming quite useful since it can determine the acetylcholine levels (an important neurotransmitter in AD), available in the brain [3, 4].

### 1.1.1 ACETYLCHOLINE AND ITS ROLE IN ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

The neurotransmitter acetylcholine (ACh) (Figure 1.1) is believed to play a role in cognition and memory since the levels of the neurotransmitter have been shown to be decreased in patients with Alzheimer's disease. This loss is due to a severe decrease in the number of cholinergic neurons (where synthesis of acetylcholine occurs) present in the basal forebrain and neocortex as well as decreased enzyme activity of choline acetyltransferase and acetylcholinesterase, which are enzymes involved in the production and degradation of acetylcholine [3, 5].



**Figure 1.1: Acetylcholine**

Acetylcholine is generated in cholinergic nerve terminals from acetyl coenzyme A and choline via the enzymatic activity of choline acetyltransferase. Decreased levels of this enzyme present in the brain means that less acetylcholine will be synthesized [6, 7]. As there is no cellular reuptake mechanism for acetylcholine, the neurotransmitter is catabolized into acetate and choline via the activity of acetylcholinesterase, enabling the choline to be recycled [6, 7]. Current drug treatments for Alzheimer's disease consist mainly of acetylcholinesterase inhibitors (AChEI), whose actions prevent the hydrolysis of acetylcholine thus increasing the concentration of the neurotransmitter in the synaptic cleft [7].

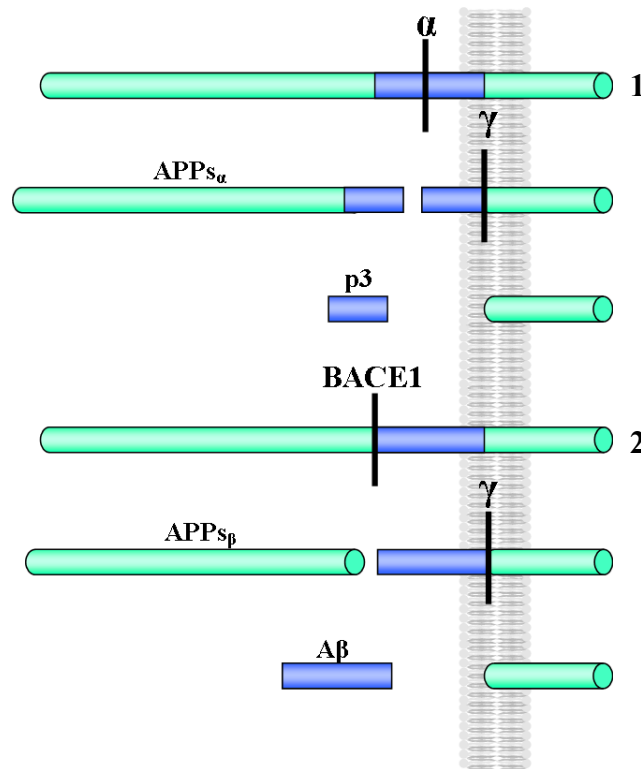
### **1.1.2 $\beta$ -AMYLOID AND THE AMYLOID CASCADE**

The most commonly accepted causative agent in the development and progression of Alzheimer's disease is  $\beta$ -amyloid ( $A\beta$ ). The amyloid cascade hypothesis suggests that a neurotoxic cascade of events is initiated in the brain when  $A\beta$  starts aggregating, and genetic evidence from patients with early-onset AD linking the onset of Alzheimer's disease with  $\beta$ -amyloid aggregation has also helped to support this now widely accepted hypothesis [8, 9].

#### ***1.1.2.1 THE GENERATION OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID FROM AMYLOID PRECURSOR PROTEIN***

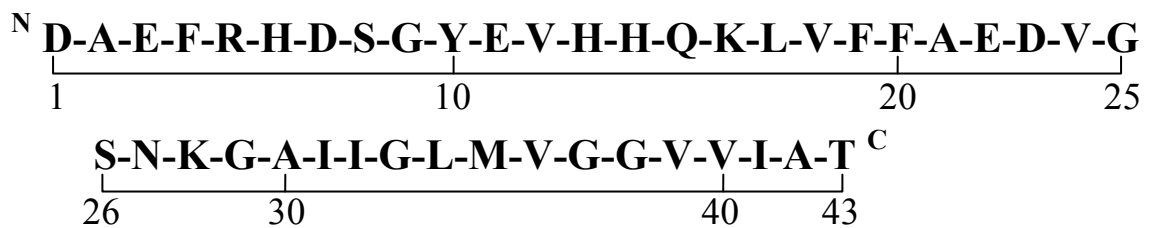
$\beta$ -Amyloid is an amphipathic peptide (having both hydrophilic and lipophilic regions) that is 39-43 amino acids in length and is generated by the proteolytic cleavage of the amyloid precursor protein (APP) [8, 10, 11]. APP is an integral membrane glycoprotein composed of a single transmembrane domain with a short cytoplasmic tail (where the C-terminus is located) and a longer extracellular domain (where the N-

terminus is located) and is cleaved enzymatically via one of two pathways: non-amyloidogenic or amyloidogenic [8, 11]. The non-amyloidogenic pathway produces soluble products and involves  $\alpha$ -secretase cleavage occurring within the A $\beta$  domain, releasing a soluble shortened form of APP, which is then followed by  $\gamma$ -secretase action at the terminal end of the A $\beta$  domain, releasing another soluble and non-amyloidogenic fragment (see Figure 1.2) [11]. In the amyloidogenic pathway, the initial enzymatic action involves beta-site APP cleaving enzyme (BACE1) that cleaves APP near the N-terminus of the  $\beta$ -amyloid domain, which is then followed by the same  $\gamma$ -secretase action, only in this case along with generating the soluble shortened APP there is also the potentially toxic  $\beta$ -amyloid peptide [11].



**Figure 1.2: Enzymatic cleavage of APP: 1. Non-amyloidogenic pathway. 2. Amyloidogenic pathway.  $\alpha$  is the  $\alpha$ -secretase enzyme,  $\gamma$  is the  $\gamma$ -secretase enzyme and BACE1 is beta-site APP cleaving enzyme. APPs $_{\alpha}$  and APPs $_{\beta}$  represent soluble shortened fragments of APP, p3 represents a non-amyloidogenic fragment and A $\beta$  is the generated  $\beta$ -amyloid protein.**

Generated  $\beta$ -amyloid is between 39 and 43 amino acids in length (see Figure 1.3) and it is this length that plays a role in the self-aggregating nature of the peptide [10, 11]. Most of the  $A\beta$  that is generated is 40 amino acids in length ( $A\beta_{40}$ ), comprising approximately 90 percent of generated  $\beta$ -amyloid, while a smaller portion is the 42 amino acid length peptide ( $A\beta_{42}$ ) – it is this longer peptide that seems to be of most relevance in the development of Alzheimer’s disease [11, 12].



**Figure 1.3: The amino acid sequence of  $\beta$ -amyloid.**

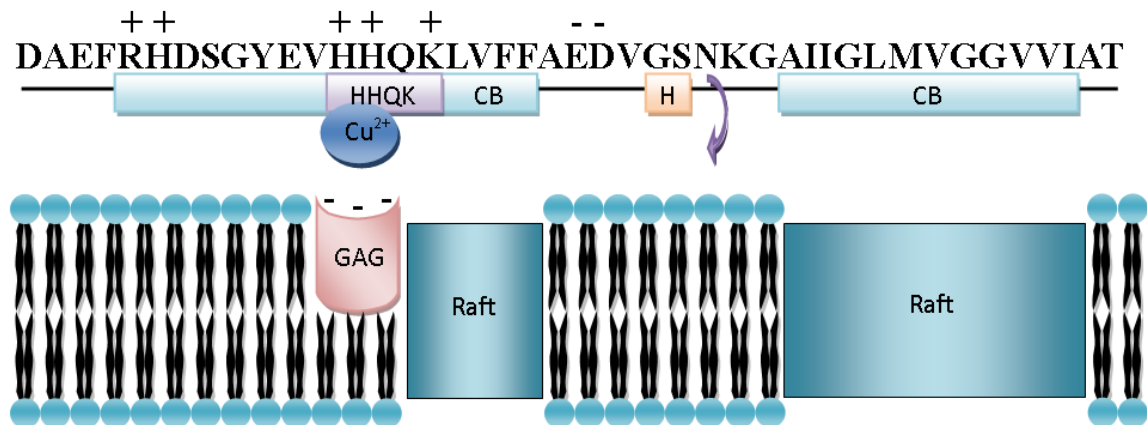
Production of  $\beta$ -amyloid and its oligomerization appear to begin intracellularly, as APP can be found not only in the plasma membrane, but also in other locations such as the endoplasmic reticulum (ER) and the trans-Golgi network [13, 14]. Interestingly the form of generated  $A\beta$  varies with location, as more  $A\beta_{42}$  is produced in the ER and intermediate compartment, while  $A\beta_{40}$  is produced more so in the Golgi apparatus and beyond [13]. The cholesterol content of the various membranes may play a role in influencing length of the produced  $A\beta$  [13, 14].

It is of most importance to realize that  $\beta$ -amyloid is a naturally occurring substance found in the brain and cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) in a soluble non-toxic form; only when it undergoes a conformational change from random coil or  $\alpha$ -helix to a  $\beta$ -sheet conformation does  $A\beta$  begin to take on neurotoxic properties [9, 10]. Given its length, the

42 amino acid length  $\beta$ -amyloid peptide is slightly more hydrophobic than shorter peptide forms, allowing it to self-aggregate more readily [8, 10, 15].

### 1.1.2.2 $\beta$ -AMYLOID AGGREGATION AND TOXICITY

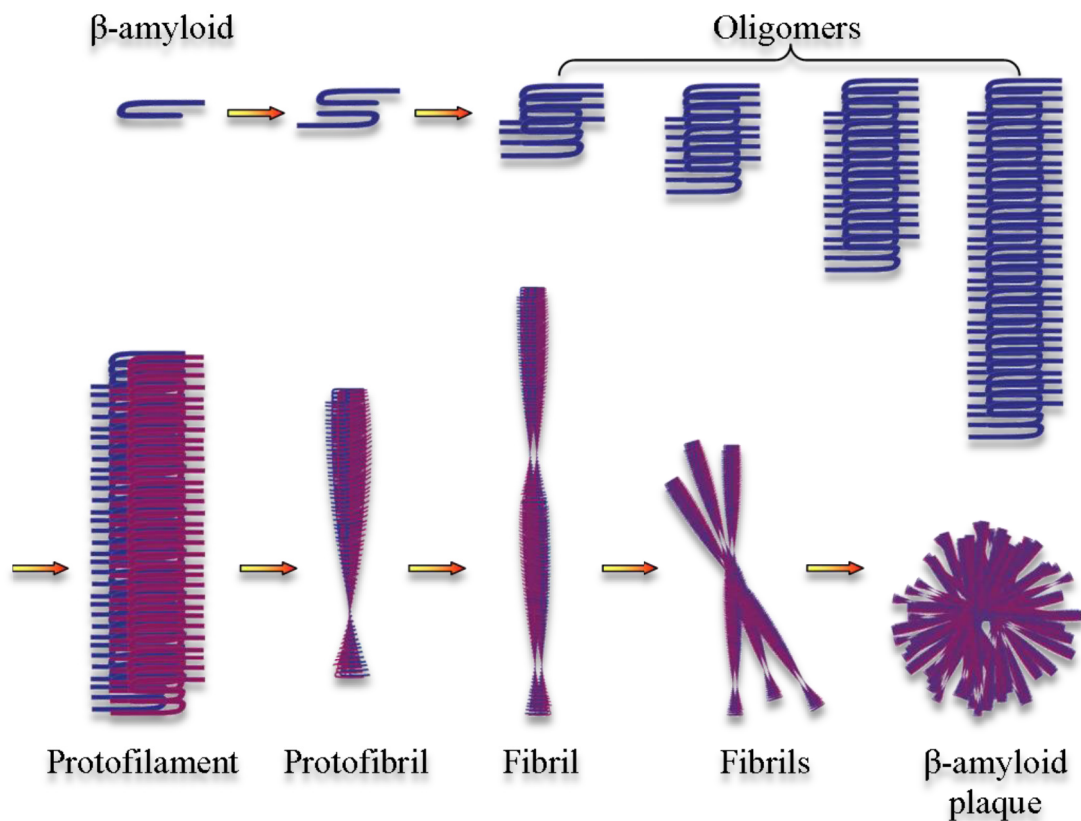
The initiation of  $\beta$ -amyloid aggregation occurs when the peptide takes on a  $\beta$ -sheet conformation, which is possibly instigated by the peptide interacting with lipid membranes [10, 14]. Evidence suggests that  $A\beta$  interacts with negatively charged regions on the surface of membranes, causing both misfolding of the protein and damage to the membrane [16, 17]. Figure 1.4 shows where these potential membrane interactions can occur. The positively charged **HHQK** region can interact with negatively charged glycosaminoglycans on the membrane surface to allow conformational changes to occur around the hinge region: the cholesterol binding domains can further facilitate this transformation from  $\alpha$ -helix or random coil to  $\beta$ -sheet for the protein.



**Figure 1.4: Interaction between  $\beta$ -amyloid and a membrane surface. GAG represents glycosaminoglycans; Raft represents cholesterol rafts; CB represents a cholesterol binding domain, and H the hinge region where  $A\beta$  folding occurs.**

$A\beta$  first forms small aggregates in the form of dimers, trimers, larger oligomers and protofilaments along with other intermediate structures, which then form larger

protofibrils, all of which are soluble, followed by the insoluble fibrils that deposit to form the amyloid plaques that are characteristic of Alzheimer's disease (Figure 1.5) [14, 18]. These plaques are non-toxic and do not correlate to the severity of the disease [31]. It appears that oligomerization of  $\beta$ -amyloid begins intraneuronally, as the intraneuronal  $A\beta$  will appear first, and levels of intracellular  $A\beta$  decrease as the extracellular levels increase and plaques appear [14, 19]. As well, the oligomerization may be dependent on the cholesterol levels of the membranes  $A\beta$  interacts with as it can affect the folding process and speed of fibrillization [15]. It is likely that extracellular  $A\beta$ , at least in part, originates from the intracellular  $A\beta$  that causes lysis of the neuron as it aggregates [14].



**Figure 1.5: The aggregation pathway of  $\beta$ -amyloid from soluble monomer to insoluble amyloid plaque**

One of the most stable species of the early soluble stage appears to be the A $\beta$ -derived diffusible ligands (ADDLs), which are now suspected to be some of the neurotoxic species as their presence at even nanomolar concentrations has been shown to be toxic [11, 14, 16]. Other small soluble oligomeric species are considered to be neurotoxic as well [16]. The ADDLs have been shown to inhibit long term potentiation, and can also cause disruption of cellular membranes and calcium dysregulation resulting in neuronal changes in the brain as well as being detrimental to memory; levels of soluble forms of A $\beta$  aggregates are relative to the severity of cognitive impairment and synaptic loss seen in individuals with AD [9, 11, 12, 19]. It has also been reported that the size of the oligomers formed plays a role in which aspects of the brain's functions are affected by the  $\beta$ -amyloid; the smaller oligomers seem to affect the synapses and certain forms of memory while the larger dodecamers appear to influence spatial memory in particular [9]. The oligomeric forms of A $\beta$  are more hydrophobic than the fibrillar species, and can interact more readily with membranes, as well as having a higher diffusability, explaining why the oligomers are the more toxic species [18]. The causative agent in all of this appears in particular to be the longer A $\beta$ 42 as is evidenced in cases of early-onset Alzheimer's disease [9].

### ***1.1.2.3 FAMILIAL ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AS EVIDENCE OF THE ROLE OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID IN DISEASE INITIATION***

There are several genetic mutations that have been discovered that predispose certain families to early-onset Alzheimer's disease, also known as familial Alzheimer's disease (FAD); sporadic AD has not been linked to any such mutations. It appears that cases of FAD are caused either by an increased production of A $\beta$ 42 relative to A $\beta$ 40, or an overall increase in the production of all forms of the peptide, giving rise to proof that



certainly in some, if not all, cases the chief instigator of Alzheimer's disease is the  $\beta$ -amyloid peptide [9].

Mutations occurring in the APP gene, which is located on chromosome 21, have been shown to increase the amount or alter the aggregation properties of  $\beta$ -amyloid [8, 9]. As well, some aggressive cases of Alzheimer's disease that occur earlier in life can also be initiated by mutations affecting the presenilin 1 and presenilin 2 genes. Presenilin forms the catalytic site of the  $\gamma$ -secretase enzyme that generates the C terminal end of the  $\beta$ -amyloid fragment; individuals inheriting these mutated genes have shown an increase in the ratio of A $\beta$ 42 to A $\beta$ 40 that occurs throughout their lifetime [9].

Although it is not guaranteed, there is also an increased chance that individuals with a specific allele of the Apolipoprotein E (ApoE) gene will develop Alzheimer's disease [8, 9, 12]. If an individual possesses the  $\epsilon$ 4 allele, as opposed to  $\epsilon$ 2 or  $\epsilon$ 3, the individuals inheriting the gene are at an increased risk for developing late-onset AD, as opposed to FAD [8, 9, 20]. More recent studies have also indicated a relationship between the CALHM1 gene and an increased susceptibility for late-onset AD [20].

#### ***1.1.2.4 $\beta$ -AMYLOID AND NEUROFIBRILLARY TANGLES***

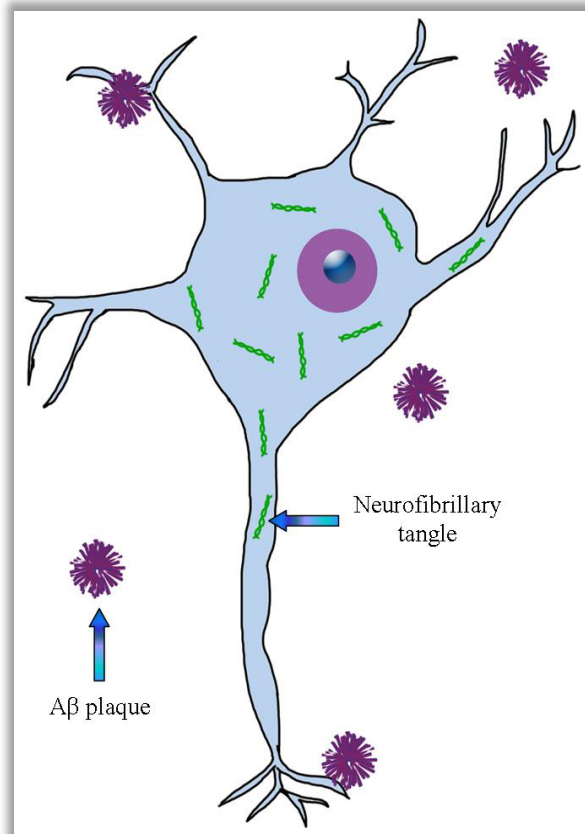
The other main feature present in the brains of individuals having Alzheimer's disease are neurofibrillary tangles (NFTs) that are composed primarily of tau protein [1]. These NFTs appear to be the result of processes later on in the neurotoxic cascade and are not an initial factor in the disease, as they cannot themselves cause amyloidosis [12, 18].

Tau is a microtubule-associated protein that is necessary for microtubule stability as well as being involved in their assembly and maintenance [21]. Microtubules are

cellular components that are required for axonal transport, making them critical for neuronal function since breakdown in microtubules prevents vesicles containing molecules such as neurotransmitters being transported to and from the cell body to the synapse; they are also important in forming the cytoskeleton of cells [21, 22]. Therefore the consequences are severe when tau becomes abnormally phosphorylated – it can no longer bind to the microtubules to regulate their polymerization state, and thus can result in the disassembly of these very important support structures [11, 20, 21]. When the microtubules disassemble, the support system needed to maintain cell structure disappears and degradation will occur in the axons and dendrites [11].

The abnormally phosphorylated tau protein self-aggregates to form paired helical filaments that accumulate intraneuronally and thusly causes neuronal degeneration and death [21]. Tau pathology also contributes to the neuronal loss in Alzheimer's patients; however, its abnormal phosphorylation occurs after amyloidosis has started along with other neurotoxic effects [19]. Figure 1.6 shows the pathological artefacts of tau and amyloid in the brain.

Besides the abovementioned neurotoxic effects related to the self-aggregated form of  $\beta$ -amyloid and NFTs, other neurotoxic effects appear to be caused by oxidative stress related to the methionine 35 residue of the  $\beta$ -amyloid peptide [23]. This oxidative stress can result in protein oxidation as well as lipid peroxidation [8]. Inflammation also appears in the vicinity of neurofibrillary tangles and  $\beta$ -amyloid plaques. Overall, the effects of aggregated  $\beta$ -amyloid on the brain are highly unfavourable and as of yet there are no drugs available to halt this aggregation to prevent Alzheimer's disease [11].



**Figure 1.6: Characteristic features of Alzheimer's disease present in the brain: intraneuronal neurofibrillary tangles and extracellular  $\beta$ -amyloid plaques**

### **1.1.3 WHY RESEARCH ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE?**

Alzheimer's disease is currently one of the most significant diseases being researched due to its increasing prevalence and an increasingly ageing society. In 2010 approximately 35.6 million people in the world were living with Alzheimer's disease, and this number will almost double every twenty years; in North America those numbers are expected to increase by approximately 63% in that same time frame [24]. In Canada one in twenty people over the age of 65 has AD today, and that number increases to an astounding one in four people over the age of 85 [25].

After the initial diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease, death usually occurs in individuals between seven and ten years later; it should be noted that there are always

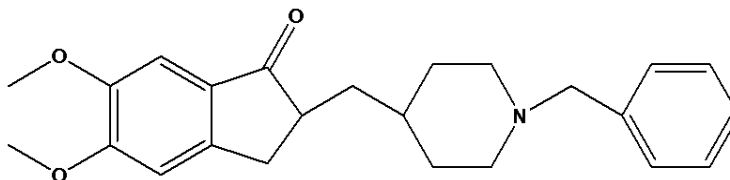
exceptions to the rule [25]. It has also been suggested that the progression from mild to severe Alzheimer's disease occurs over a period of six years; however, the older the person is when diagnosed, the shorter the survival rate [3]. Research by Brookmeyer *et al* has predicted that delaying disease progression by therapeutic means for a two year period could decrease the number of late stage cases by about 7 million but the number of new cases would increase by 5.2 million; on the other hand, if the onset of the disease could be delayed by two years, the number of cases of Alzheimer's disease will drop by 22.8 million, and even a one year delay in onset results in 11.8 million fewer cases of AD [3]. Therefore the design and development of drugs capable of preventing, or at least delaying the onset of disease could greatly impact and ease the worldwide burden of Alzheimer's disease as opposed to current methods which can only delay the symptomatic progression.

#### **1.1.3.1 CURRENT ALZHEIMER'S DRUGS**

In Canada, there are two classes of drugs currently available for the treatment of Alzheimer's disease. The first class of drugs consists of three acetylcholinesterase inhibitors which are used for symptomatic treatment in patients suffering from mild to moderate AD: donepezil, rivastigmine and galantamine [25, 26]. The second class of drugs consists of a single drug which is an N-methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA) receptor antagonist that has been conditionally approved by Health Canada for use in the treatment of moderate to severe Alzheimer's disease: memantine [25, 27].

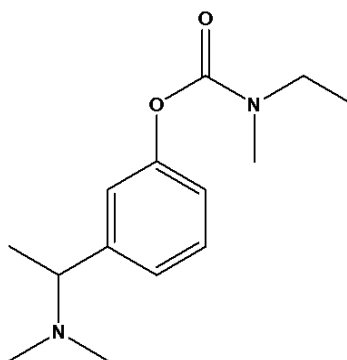
Donepezil, also known as Aricept or E2020 (Figure 1.7), is a non-competitive and reversible inhibitor of acetylcholinesterase that functions mainly through  $\pi$ - $\pi$  and cation- $\pi$  interactions along the gorge of the enzyme wherein the active site (a catalytic triad) is

located [28]. While it does not interact with the active site itself (making it non-competitive) the drug molecule does prevent the Michaelis complex (the enzyme-substrate complex that in this case involves binding interactions forming between acetylcholine and the catalytic triad) from forming or possibly the deacylation process from occurring [28].



**Figure 1.7: Donepezil**

Rivastigmine, also known as Exelon (Figure 1.8), is a pseudo-irreversible inhibitor of AChE and acts upon the catalytic triad in a process involving covalent binding where the enzyme treats the drug molecule as a substrate and generates a hydrolytic product, called NAP, which acts as a competitive but reversible inhibitor of the acetylcholinesterase enzyme [29].

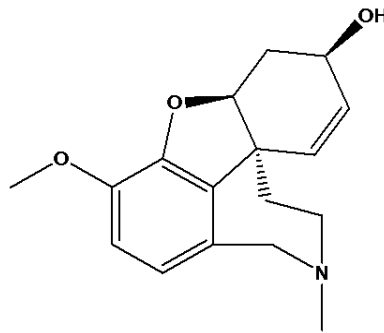


**Figure 1.8: Rivastigmine**

Galantamine (Figure 1.9), also known as Reminyl, is an extended release formulation; it is also known as galanthamine hydrobromide [25, 30]. Like rivastigmine, galantamine also acts upon the catalytic triad; however, it acts through hydrogen bonding interactions making it reversible [30]. The action of galantamine prevents the enzymatic

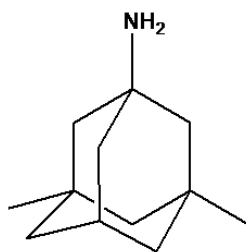
activity in that the binding occurs with one of the residues of the catalytic triad, a serine residue, which needs to be activated in order to start the catalytic processing of acetylcholine [28, 30].

Unfortunately all of these current treatments provide only symptomatic relief of the disease, and in the case of the acetylcholinesterase inhibitors are only useful so long as acetylcholine is still being produced in the brain; as of yet there are currently no drugs available on the market to treat the pathological agent of importance –  $\beta$ -amyloid.



**Figure 1.9: Galantamine**

Memantine (Figure 1.10), also known as Ebixa, acts by blocking the NMDA receptor channel to prevent excitotoxicity due to an increase in the influx of calcium ions which is a result of the channel being opened for prolonged periods of time due to excess glutamate present in the brain [27]. It is believed that although excess glutamate is not the primary cause of Alzheimer's disease, its increased concentrations are partially responsible for the loss of cholinergic neurons and thus memantine is used to help prevent the overstimulation of these neurons [27]. Memantine can be used as a monotherapy or it can also be given in conjunction with one of the available acetylcholinesterase inhibitors [27].



**Figure 1.10: Memantine**

#### **1.1.4 CURRENT RESEARCH IN TREATING ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE**

Current research towards the design and development of new drugs to treat Alzheimer's disease has unfortunately yielded unsuccessful results from clinical trials, even with multiple targets of interest.

##### **1.1.4.1 DRUGS TARGETING $\beta$ -AMYLOID AGGREGATION**

There are currently no drugs on the market approved for treating Alzheimer's disease by targeting A $\beta$  aggregation. Tramiprosate, also known as homotaurine or Alzhemed, was successful in early stage trials, but failed to show efficacy in phase III trials (probably resulting from the methodology of the trial) [31]. PBT2, being developed by Prana Biotechnology Limited, has demonstrated success in phase II trials and works by binding complexes of A $\beta$  and copper or zinc to prevent oligomerization; further trials are awaited [31, 32]. Elan pharmaceuticals has finished phase II trials of *scyllo*-inositol; during the trial, high dosages resulted in deaths, so only low doses were continued in the study [31, 33]. Results of the study have been published and have demonstrated inconclusive results as to the efficacy of the drug due to the small trial size; however, there does seem to be some success in targeting A $\beta$ 42, which may be of use in the mild stage of AD [33]. A polyphenol, epigallocatechin-3-gallate, is currently undergoing a

phase II-III study and prevents A $\beta$  aggregation by binding to the monomeric form of  $\beta$ -amyloid [31].

#### ***1.1.4.2 DRUGS PROMOTING CLEARANCE OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID FROM THE BRAIN***

Research is ongoing in the area of treating AD by removing or reducing the amount of  $\beta$ -amyloid in the brain. This methodology looks at the use of vaccines to target A $\beta$ , either actively or passively [31]. Active immunization involves provoking an immune response by introducing fragments of  $\beta$ -amyloid, however many of these therapies, such as CAD-106 and ACC-001 are only in phase II trials, and most have only completed phase I trials so far [31]. Passive immunization involves the use of monoclonal antibodies or polyclonal immunoglobulins that target the A $\beta$  protein. There is more progress in this field, with several phase III trials ongoing for compounds such as bapineuzumab, solanezumab and intravenously administered immunoglobulins [31]. The difficulty with these vaccination strategies is that there is the potential for more adverse affects occurring in the case of active immunization, while passive immunization is a costly and time-consuming task [31]. While the benefits of vaccination strategies are recognized, there is some risk involved in this scenario as the monomeric form of A $\beta$  may play a neuroprotective role.

#### ***1.1.4.3 DRUGS TARGETING THE REDUCTION OF THE PRODUCTION OF A $\beta$***

The major focus of drug researchers in the search for new ways to treat Alzheimer's disease is to target the enzymes involved in the secretion of A $\beta$  from APP. There are three enzymes involved in the cleavage of APP:  $\alpha$ -secretase is involved in the non-amyloidogenic pathway, BACE1 involved in the amyloidogenic pathway, and  $\gamma$ -secretase, which plays a role in both pathways (see Figure 1.2). Drugs that activate  $\alpha$ -



secretase have only reached phase II clinical trials, but have shown indications of reducing the production of A $\beta$  [31]. In terms of  $\gamma$ -secretase inhibitors and modulators, the results have been less than favourable: Eli Lilly halted the phase III trial of semagacestat when it was discovered that the drug had no effect on improving cognition and may lead to increased incidence of skin cancer [34]. Drugs targeting BACE1 have also resulted in little progress; those that have reached phase III trials have demonstrated no efficacy in improving patient outcomes [31]. There are some BACE1 inhibitors in the earlier stages of clinical trials, and it is hoped that they will deliver more promising results [31, 34].

#### ***1.1.4.4 DRUGS TARGETING OTHER ASPECTS OF ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE***

There is some research focussing on targets other than A $\beta$  to treat AD. Molecules that target the tau protein are being investigated, with Rember (a tau anti-aggregant) being the only drug currently in phase III trials [31, 34]. Results of the only other tau drug to reach phase III, valproate, were disappointing, with no effect on the cognition of Alzheimer's patients [31].

Another phase III trial looking at dimebon as a monotherapy for Alzheimer's disease targeting mitochondria failed to demonstrate any effect on mental status, but is being looked at as part of a combination therapy study for treating AD [31, 34].

Neurotrophins are another target, as nerve growth factor (NGF) is important for the survival of cholinergic neurons that are damaged by the disease [31]. Methods to introduce NGF into the brain are being examined, with phase II trials ongoing.

The current methods for diagnosing Alzheimer's disease and tracking its progression have not been sufficient enough to provide the success desired in curing AD.

### **1.1.5 CURRENT METHODS IN DIAGNOSING ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE**

The diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease in a living patient is dependent on the results of tests that examine the mental status of the individual in question. The decline in cognitive function of an individual is an important factor in diagnosing AD, but is not useful in detecting the disease at a very early stage, before the damage to neurons is significant. While there is a lack of consensus on the use of biomarkers to help diagnose the disease, some methods are available, and others are being investigated.

#### ***1.1.5.1 BIOMARKERS USED TO DIAGNOSE ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE***

Currently, there are four identified biomarkers useful to diagnose Alzheimer's disease: A $\beta$ 42, A $\beta$ 40, total tau, and phospho-tau-181 [35, 36]. Tau and hyperphosphorylated tau levels are both increased in patients with AD, while levels of A $\beta$ 42 or the A $\beta$ 42/A $\beta$ 40 ratio are significantly reduced, and all of these are needed to diagnose the disease in its sporadic form [35]. The drawback to collecting these biomarkers is that they are obtained by examining the cerebrospinal fluid of the patient, and therefore require a lumbar puncture [35]. Analysis of these biomarkers also requires the use of costly assays, and to date blood plasma biomarkers have not been useful in identifying sporadic AD [35]. It is likely that in the case of biomarkers, especially if blood plasma is the desired source, a combination of stable elements must be identified to use in combination to diagnose the disease [35].

### **1.3.5.2 IMAGING AGENTS FOR ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE**

There are no truly commercial diagnostic imaging agents available on the market for AD; however, there are some currently in development and some are being used in clinical trials of Alzheimer's drugs.

Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) is used to look at brain volumes, as there is a decrease in the amount of grey matter in individuals with AD as the disease progresses [36]. Studies looking at the use of functional MRI are being expanded to more centres, and this technique is used to determine the effects of drugs on regional brain activation by measuring the blood oxygen-dependent level signals [36].

Positron emission tomography (PET) is the focus of most diagnostic compounds being developed so far. The more noted imaging agent is Pittsburgh compound B ( $^{11}\text{C}$ -PIB) which binds to amyloid plaques in the brain [36, 37]. There are two notable downfalls to this imaging agent, the first being that  $^{11}\text{C}$ -PIB does not bind to the soluble forms of  $\beta$ -amyloid (and the soluble oligomers are the toxic species). The second downfall is that the half-life of  $^{11}\text{C}$ -PIB is only 20.4 minutes [36, 37]. PET is also used to look at glucose consumption, as a labelled sugar can be used to identify regions of reduced uptake, indicative of the damaged neurons that occur in AD. Molecules continue to be developed for PET use, such as [ $^{18}\text{F}$ ] AV-45, which also binds to A $\beta$  plaques, and has a significantly longer half-life than  $^{11}\text{C}$ -PIB [37].

Single photon emission computed tomography (SPECT) presents an alternative to PET for diagnostic imaging of AD in that it is available in more hospitals than PET scanners, and the half-lives of the radionuclei are significantly longer [38]. Several

imaging agents for A $\beta$  plaques are being developed, and are based largely on Congo Red and thioflavin-T, which are known to bind to amyloid aggregates as they are used in staining and fluorescence studies [38].

### **1.1.6 DEFINING THE DRUG MOLECULE**

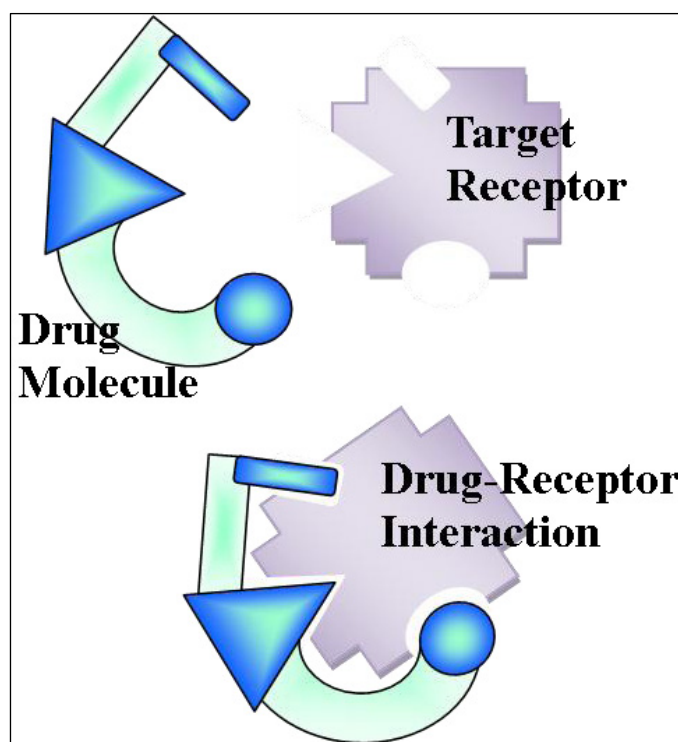
To understand what is needed to design and develop a new drug, in particular for Alzheimer's disease, it is relevant to know the features of a drug molecule and what properties it must have in order to be bioavailable.

#### ***1.1.6.1 CHARACTERISTIC FEATURES OF DRUG MOLECULES***

How each drug molecule interacts with its targeted receptor and moves throughout the body is determined by its functional groups and their geometrical arrangement [39]. The functional groups determine the chemical and physical properties of the drug molecule and their geometry in space should be specific enough that they will only bind with the targeted receptor: this should reduce toxicity. If the molecule is too flexible it will be able to bind to other receptors, which can have potentially negative effects [39]. The biological response elicited by the binding of the drug molecule to the target receptor should be beneficial in nature and can result in many different biological responses depending on the receptor in question: the acetylcholinesterase inhibitors mentioned earlier in this chapter bind to their target receptors to block an enzymatic pathway, while other drug molecules can be used to block neurotransmitter receptors, and so forth [39]. Figure 1.11 shows the interaction between a drug molecule and its target receptor.

The structural frame to which the functional groups of the drug molecule are attached in order to maintain a specific three-dimensional arrangement should not be

involved in the interaction themselves, and thus it is generally preferable to use a chemically inert structure composed of hydrocarbons [39]. Rigidity in the framework is also preferable to minimize geometry changes that could affect the target specificity of the molecule and thereby reduce side-effects [39]. In addition the molecule must be able to traverse the hydrophilic and lipophilic regions of the body in order to reach its desired destination, so this chemistry must also be accounted for when designing novel drugs [39]. In the particular case of Alzheimer's disease, drugs need to enter the brain in order to take action; this presents an added obstacle as the drug molecules must pass through the blood-brain barrier (BBB) which is composed of multiple lipid bilayers – drugs must have a proper balance of hydrophilicity and lipophilicity in order to pass through this barrier [39].



**Figure 1.11: Drug molecule interacting with target receptor**

### **1.1.6.2 REQUIREMENTS FOR A BIOAVAILABLE DRUG MOLECULE**

There are certain physical and chemical properties that must be met by a drug-like molecule in order for it to be an effective drug molecule assuming an appropriate receptor can be identified [39]. These properties are best summed up by the Rule of Five as proposed by Lipinski: first the molecular weight should be less than 500 g/mol, since the molecule must be small enough to be transported throughout the body [39, 40]. Second, the molecule should have a logP value less than 5 (where logP is the logarithm of the octanol-water partition coefficient) since the molecule must have a certain lipophilicity in order to allow it to cross lipid layers but also have enough hydrophilicity that it can dissolve in the blood and circulate through the body [39, 40]. Third and fourth the molecule should not have more than five hydrogen bonding donors and no more than ten hydrogen bonding acceptors; too many polar groups results in rapid elimination of the drug from the body since the kidneys will filter out highly polar molecules more quickly, resulting in little therapeutic effect of the drug as its half life would be very short (a drug half life is defined as the time it takes for half of the drug molecules delivered to the desired target to be metabolized) [39, 40]. There are exceptions to the above rules should the drug be an analogue of molecules that are transported actively across cell membranes (as opposed to passive diffusion, which is the normal entry method for most drug molecules) [39, 40].

It should also be noted that if these drug molecules must cross the blood-brain barrier there are further limitations; in particular the logP value must be between 1.5 and 3.0 so as not to be too hydrophilic or consequently so lipophilic that it cannot reach the brain [39]. It is also suggested that there be even fewer hydrogen donors or acceptors

(three is usually the maximum) and it is very unlikely that any charged molecules will be able to pass this barrier if entry is being sought via passive diffusion [39]. If the drug molecule is being transported actively into the brain as a structural analogue of either L-phenylalanine or D-glucose (both being molecules that are actively transported across the BBB), there is more leeway in the type and number of functional groups as well as the size of the drug molecule [39].

Drug molecules can be designed to mimic molecules already present in the body (several such molecules will be examined in the research presented in this thesis) or they can be designed to target pathways involved in the production or elimination of certain molecules [39]. The difficulty with designing drugs for Alzheimer's disease lies in ensuring that they are capable of meeting the above requirements in order to cross the BBB.

### **1.1.7 THE PROMISCUOUS DRUG CONCEPT**

It has been proposed that a novel way of approaching the treatment of AD would be to design a "promiscuous" drug capable of interacting with many of the proteins involved in disease [41]. Analysis of multiple proteins related to Alzheimer's disease has revealed a common **BBXB** motif (or pattern of amino acids), where B represents a basic amino acid [41]. This **BBXB** motif is found only on proteins affiliated with AD. The concept is therefore to design or find a small molecule that is capable of binding to this specific pattern of amino acids. A single molecule could thus act in a "promiscuous" manner by binding to the same motif on multiple proteins, allowing for a multifaceted approach to treating the disease using a single drug molecule.

### **1.1.7.1 HHQK**

One of the identified **BBXB** motifs is the **HHQK** region of  $\beta$ -amyloid [41]. This region is particularly significant as it is highly positively charged, and can interact with the negatively charged regions (such as glycosaminoglycans) on the surface of membranes to allow for conformational conversions to occur. Designing and developing small molecules to bind to this **HHQK** region should prevent such membrane interactions from occurring, and thereby unwanted conformational changes that result in neurotoxicity.

## **1.2 MOLECULAR MODELLING**

Molecular modelling involves the use of empirical molecular mechanics force fields to study the conformational energies of molecules. There are a wide variety of force fields available to the computational chemist, ranging from generic force fields that are applicable to a wide range of molecular systems and atom types to those that are specific to small molecules, nucleic acids or proteins.

### **1.2.1 WHAT ARE FORCE FIELDS?**

A force field is composed of a functional form (energy equations) and parameters that are used to calculate the energy of a system based on the inter- and intramolecular forces of that system [42]. Force fields ignore electron contributions, calculating energies based solely on nuclear contributions [42]. As they are empirical in nature, there is no absolutely correct form for a force field; therefore, a force field can be selected based on its suitability for a particular system given that the parameters can determine how well a particular force field functions with certain systems [42].



Each force field has a functional form and parameters with four basic components being common to all force fields; these can be grouped into terms related to bonding interactions and terms related to nonbonding interactions [42]. Energy terms describing the deviation of bond lengths and angles from specified equilibrium values, as well as torsional changes, are the terms related to bonding interactions, whereas electrostatic and van der Waals energy terms compose the non-bonding interaction terms [42]. Depending on the force field in question, *ad hoc* hydrogen bonding terms can also be included.

The parameters that help define a force field give the various constants necessary for the functional form in terms of atom types [42]. The atom type contains information about the atom such as its hybridization state, the atomic number and, depending on the force field, information about the local environment of the atom [42]. Atom types can be more or less specific, depending on the type of force field being used for molecular modelling. A more generic force field, such as DREIDING2.21, will assign all atoms of the same element the same atomic type, whereas some more specialized force fields, such as CHARMM, will assign different atom types to a particular element depending on the nature of the local environment of the atom; for example, a nitrogen atom in a ring is assigned a different atom type than one in a peptide [42, 43, 44].

Parameters are instituted for force fields based on the properties that the force field is designed to predict [42]. In the realm of molecular modelling, force fields are most typically designed to reproduce structural properties of systems [42]. Another asset of these force fields is that their parameters allow for transferability of the force field – new parameters do not have to be defined for each individual molecule in a system, which is to say that related molecules can be treated using the same force field [42]. An example

of the transferability of force fields would be the CHARMM force field, which can be applied to any protein-based system, and can be used for energy calculations, or dynamics simulations of the proteins interacting with other molecules, or energy minimizations, allowing for optimal protein geometries to be located [44].

### 1.2.2 THE DREIDING2.21 FORCE FIELD

Optimizations performed in the Cerius<sup>2</sup> molecular modelling environment involve the use of the DREIDING2.21 force field [43, 45]. The DREIDING2.21 force field is a simple, generic force field applicable to a variety of systems from organic and biological molecules to main-group inorganic molecules, and allows for structural predictions as well as dynamics simulations [43]. The force field treats all atoms of the same atomic type identically, with types being assigned automatically based on the topology of the structure in question [43]. The functional form of the DREIDING2.21 force field is as follows:

$$E = E_{\text{val}} + E_{\text{nb}} \quad (1.1)$$

This equation sums the total energy from the energy of valence interactions (e.g. bonding interactions),  $E_{\text{val}}$  and the energy of nonbonding interaction energies,  $E_{\text{nb}}$ .

These two energy terms are summations of various energy interactions as follows:

$$E_{\text{val}} = E_{\text{B}} + E_{\text{A}} + E_{\text{T}} + E_{\text{I}} \quad (1.2)$$

and

$$E_{\text{nb}} = E_{\text{vdw}} + E_{\text{Q}} + E_{\text{hb}} \quad (1.3)$$

Looking at the valence energy terms, the bond stretching energy,  $E_B$ , is defined by default as a harmonic oscillator where:

$$E_B = \frac{1}{2}k_e(R-R_e)^2 \quad (1.4)$$

In this case,  $k_e$  is the stretching constant at equilibrium,  $R$  is the variable bond length and  $R_e$  is the equilibrium value of the bond length. The bond-angle bending energy,  $E_A$ , is calculated using a harmonic cosine function:

$$E_A = E_{IJK} = \frac{1}{2}C_{IJK}[\cos\theta_{IJK} - \cos\theta_{IJ}^0]^2 \quad (1.5)$$

$\theta$  is defined as the angle between bonds  $IJ$  and  $JK$  for two bonds sharing a common atom, and  $\theta_{IJ}^0$  is the equilibrium angle while

$$C_{IJK} = K_{IJK}/(\sin\theta_{IJ}^0)^2 \quad (1.6)$$

where  $K_{IJK}$  is a force constant, independent of  $I, J$  and  $K$ , defined as:

$$K_{IJK} = 100 \text{ (kcal/mol)/rad}^2 \quad (1.7)$$

The dihedral angle torsion energy term,  $E_T$ , is expressed in the form of a cosine series expansion:

$$E_T = E_{IJK} = \frac{1}{2}V_{JK}\{1 - \cos [n_{JK}(\varphi - \varphi_{JK}^0)]\} \quad (1.8)$$

The periodicity is described by  $n_{JK}$ , the dihedral angle by  $\varphi$ , the equilibrium torsional angle by  $\varphi_{JK}^0$ , while  $V_{JK}$  is a barrier to the rotation and is dependent on the specific case being calculated [42, 43]. The parameters for the torsional term in DREIDING2.21 are based on hybridization rather than on the particular atoms involved [43]. The energy of

the inversion terms,  $E_1$ , which are terms that describe the ease or difficulty of maintaining planarity, is described as follows:

$$E_1 = E_{IJKL}^d = \frac{1}{2}C_I(\cos \psi - \cos \psi^0_I)^2 \quad (1.9)$$

$IJKL$  represents four atoms connected together with  $I$  being the central atom, and  $\psi$  is therefore equal to the angle between the  $IL$  bond and the  $JKL$  plane. The equilibrium angle is  $\psi^0_I$  and

$$C_I = K_I/(\sin \psi^0_I)^2 \quad (1.10)$$

$K_I$  is the force constant and is a parameter determined by the nature of the molecule – whether the system is planar or nonplanar.

The non-bonding energy term has two components, the first being van der Waals interactions, also referred to as dispersion interactions,  $E_{\text{vdw}}$ , which is expressed by a Lennard-Jones type function as the default:

$$E_{\text{vdw}}^{\text{LJ}} = D_0[\rho^{-12} - 2\rho^{-6}] \quad (1.11)$$

where

$$\rho = R/R_0 \quad (1.12)$$

The bond length is represented by  $R$ , the van der Waals bond length by  $R_0$ , and the van der Waals well depth by  $D_0$ . The values for  $D_0$  and  $R_0$  are calculated by the following equations:

$$D_{0ij} = [D_{0ii}D_{0jj}]^{1/2} \quad (1.13)$$

$$R_{0ij} = \frac{1}{2}(R_{0ii} + R_{0jj}) \quad (1.14)$$

The two atoms being examined in an interaction are represented by  $i$  and  $j$  [2]. The other component of the non-bonding energy term is the electrostatic interaction energy,  $E_Q$ , which uses Gasteiger charge estimates and is calculated using a version of Coulomb's law for a system in vacuum [42, 43].

$$E_Q = (322.0637)Q_1Q_2/\epsilon R_{ij} \quad (1.15)$$

The 322.0637 term is a conversion factor used for converting the energy into kcal/mol,  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are the point charges, measured in electron units, the dielectric constant is  $\epsilon$  and the distance between the two atoms is  $R_{ij}$ , measured in angstroms [43]. The DREIDING2.21 force field also contains a term for calculating energies associated with explicit hydrogen bonding within the non-bonding energy term and is represented by  $E_{hb}$ .

$$E_{hb} = D_{hb}[5(R_{hb}/R_{DA})^{12} - 6(R_{hb}/R_{DA})^{10}] \cos^4(\theta_{DHA}) \quad (1.16)$$

The hydrogen donor, the hydrogen atom, and the hydrogen acceptor are represented by D, H, and A, respectively, while the bond angle between these atoms is  $\theta_{DHA}$ . The distance between the donor and acceptor atoms (D and A) is given by  $R_{DA}$  while the values for  $D_{hb}$  and  $R_{hb}$  are dependent on the charge calculation method. Further details on the functional form and parameters of this force field are described by Mayo *et al* [43].

### 1.2.3 THE CHARMM FORCE FIELD AND QUANTA

The QUANTA program, from Accelrys Inc., uses the CHARMM (Chemistry at HARvard Macromolecular Mechanics) force field [3, 5]. The CHARMM22 version of this force field is available from MOE (Molecular Operating Environment Inc.), and has been parameterized specifically for proteins, with an emphasis on solution phase interactions in water [47, 48].

The CHARMM force field calculates the energy of a system using a functional form containing bonded and non-bonded interaction energies based on atomic coordinates [44]. The equation for the force field is as follows:

$$E = E_b + E_\theta + E_\varphi + E_\omega + E_{vdW} + E_{el} + E_{hb} + E_{cr} + E_{c\varphi} \quad (1.17)$$

The energy terms associated with bonding interactions are  $E_b$ ,  $E_\theta$ ,  $E_\varphi$ , and  $E_\omega$ , with  $E_b$  being the bond potential energy which is calculated via the following:

$$E_b = \sum k_b (r - r_0)^2 \quad (1.18)$$

The bond length is  $r$ , which is measured in angstroms, and  $k_b$  is a force constant which is selected based on the atom type along with  $r_0$  which is the minimal value of the bond length [44, 46]. The energy term associated with bond angles is given the following form [49]:

$$E_\theta = \sum k_\theta (\theta - \theta_0)^2 \quad (1.19)$$

The bond angle is represented by  $\theta$ , and the minimum of the bond angle by  $\theta_0$ , while  $k_\theta$  is the force constant specified by the CHARMM parameters [49]. Both the bond length and bond angle energy terms are treated as harmonic oscillators in the form of Hooke's Law [44]. The torsional energy depends on the angle between four connected atoms with rotation occurring around the middle pair of atoms and is calculated by [44, 50]:

$$E_\varphi = \sum |k_\varphi| - k_\varphi \cos(n\varphi) \quad (1.20)$$

The  $n$  is a geometric constant that is equal to 1, 2, 3, 4, or 6 and is dependent on the parameters selected in CHARMM, the  $k_\varphi$  is the force constant and the  $\varphi$  is the dihedral angle of the system in question [44, 50]. The remaining bonding energy term is the improper inversion term which involves planarity in molecules and takes the form of a harmonic oscillator:

$$E_{\omega} = \sum k_{\omega}(\omega - \omega_0)^2 \quad (1.21)$$

The improper torsion angle is represented by  $\omega$ , and the minimum torsion angle by  $\omega_0$  and  $k_{\omega}$  is the force constant [44].

The non-bonding interaction terms begin with the van der Waals energy term,  $E_{\text{vdW}}$ , which is calculated via:

$$E_{\text{vdW}} = \sum_{\text{excl}(i,j)=1} (A_{ij}/r_{ij}^{12} - B_{ij}/r_{ij}^6) \text{sw}(r_{ij}^2, r_{\text{on}}^2, r_{\text{off}}^2) \quad (1.22)$$

The equation involves a switching function,  $\text{sw}$ , which is equal to either 1 or 0 as determined by a set of formulae that are detailed in the CHARMM force field documentation [44]. The van der Waals bond length minima are represented by  $A_{ij}$  and  $B_{ij}$  while the measured distance between two atoms  $i$  and  $j$  is represented by  $r_{ij}$ . The exclusion term  $\text{excl}(i,j) = 1$  refers to the excluded list that is generated for the system under study – atoms that are too close (i.e. in a bonding situation) are to be excluded from the calculation; a cutoff distance is also determined such that those atoms too far away to interact are not included [44, 50]. The electrostatic energy term,  $E_{\text{el}}$ , is given by [44, 50]:

$$E_{\text{el}} = \sum_{\text{excl}(i,j)=1} q_i q_j / 4\pi\epsilon_0 r_{ij} \quad (1.23)$$

The partial atomic charges on each of the two atoms involved in the calculation are given by  $q_i$  and  $q_j$  while the distance between the two atoms is given by  $r_{ij}$  and the dielectric constant is  $\epsilon_0$  [44, 50].

Although there is a hydrogen bonding term available in the CHARMM force field, it is often excluded as the hydrogen bonding interactions can be accurately represented by the electrostatic and van der Waals terms [48].

The other two energy terms involved in the functional form are related to atom harmonics,  $E_{\text{cr}}$  and dihedral constraints  $E_{\text{cp}}$ ; as these are energies related to constraints

applicable to atoms in the system but were not used in calculations involved in the research for this thesis, the equations will not be given here but are found in Brooks, et al. [44].

#### **1.2.4 ENERGY MINIMIZATION ALGORITHMS**

Energy minimization algorithms are used in molecular modelling to assist in identifying the lowest energy, optimal molecular conformation of a system [42]. The use of this energy minimization technique is an essential part of the presented research.

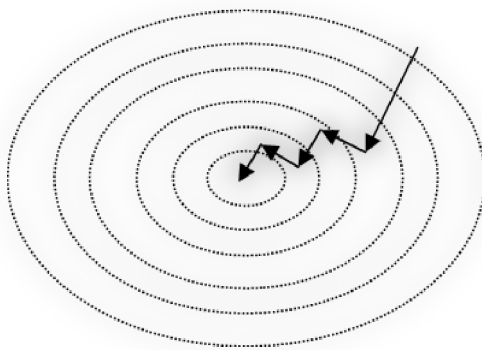
In order for molecular modelling to be viable, the Born-Oppenheimer approximation is applied, which states that for molecules in the electronic ground state, the energy can be considered a function of the nuclear coordinates, and will only change when the nuclear positions change [42]. The energy of a system is thus described by the potential energy surface (PES), where the energy varies with the nuclear coordinates [42]. The goal of these minimization algorithms is to find a local minimum point on the potential energy surface, since a minimum point corresponds to a relatively stable structure or conformation; stable structures are lower in energy than unstable structures and therefore a lower energy conformation will be equivalent to a minimum point on the potential energy surface [42]. These energy minimization techniques, sometimes called geometry optimization algorithms since they find the optimal geometry/conformation for a system, find only the minimum points on the potential energy surface and thus may not actually correspond to the active form of a biological system, particularly since existing in a low energy state is not the only criterion for an active drug molecule [42].



There are many algorithms available for energy minimization [45, 49]. Some of these algorithms are only applicable to small systems. For example, the Newton Raphson algorithm is best suited for systems with 200 or fewer atoms [42]. In the case of molecular modelling, particularly in the case of systems involving explicit solvation, the systems being studied usually contain several thousand atoms, and there are two algorithms particularly suited to the minimization of such large systems: steepest descent and conjugate gradient [42]. These two minimization algorithms are available in QUANTA and Cerius<sup>2</sup> [45, 46]. In the MOE program, however, three consecutive energy minimization algorithms are applied to a system regardless of the number of atoms present: steepest descent, conjugate gradient and truncated Newton [51].

#### ***1.2.4.1 THE STEEPEST DESCENT ALGORITHM***

Steepest descent is a particularly useful algorithm when starting with an initial conformation in a high energy state [42]. It is a first order minimization method that involves the atomic coordinates being changed gradually as the system is moved closer to an energy minimum point; thus the positional shifts are gentler than some of the other methods. However, the steepest descent algorithm is more likely to generate a low energy structure regardless of the system being optimized [42, 44, 52]. Movements along the PES are made in a direction parallel to the net force, and the direction and gradient of each successive step is orthogonal to the previous step – this stepwise manner is the main reason that the steepest descents method tends to be nonconvergent in larger systems (Figure 1.12) [42, 44].



**Figure 1.12: Steepest descent approach**

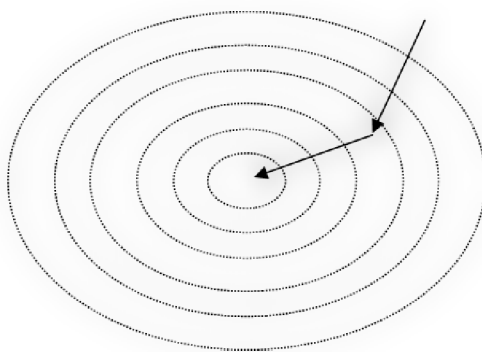
One method for taking these steps downhill is the arbitrary step approach. The step size taken for each iteration is also modified, starting off with a predetermined value and then adjusted according to whether the previous step taken resulted in an increase or decrease in the potential energy; a multiplicative factor is applied to the step size which will either augment or diminish the next step taken [42].

More commonly a line search approach is used for both the steepest descents and conjugate gradient methods of minimization; the line search approach is one dimensional and follows along the direction vector that is determined at each iteration [42, 52]. The line search brackets the minimum along the line, where the minimum point is lower in energy than the two points bracketing it; the distance between these points is then gradually decreased by each iterative step [42].

#### ***1.2.4.2 THE CONJUGATE GRADIENT ALGORITHM***

The other very useful algorithm for optimizing the conformational energies of complex biological systems is the conjugate gradient approach. Unlike steepest descents, it is preferable to apply this algorithm only when the system is close to a minimum on the PES, particularly when larger systems are being studied [52]. Like the steepest descent

algorithm, a line search approach is also taken for the conjugate gradient minimization method; however, the direction of the steps taken differs in that, while the gradients are still orthogonal the direction of the steps is conjugate (Figure 1.13) [42, 52]. These conjugate directions will allow the minimum to be reached in fewer steps than in steepest descents; for example, if one is dealing with a quadratic function, containing  $M$  variables, the minimum will be reached in  $M$  number of steps – two variables results in two steps until the minimum is achieved [42].



**Figure 1.13: Conjugate gradient approach**

It is useful to first run steepest descents to relieve strain in high energy systems and then to run the conjugate gradient algorithm to attain a minimum point on the potential energy surface and by doing so, also obtain a stable structure for the system [52]. These algorithms are the most useful for dealing with the large atomic systems that are studied via molecular modelling [42].

#### ***1.2.4.3 THE TRUNCATED NEWTON ALGORITHM***

Unlike the steepest descent and conjugate gradient algorithms, the truncated Newton algorithm is a second-order method [42]. Second-order methods use the second derivative, which deals with the curvature of the energy function, to predict where a

minimum will be located along the direction chosen on the PES using the gradient [42, 51, 52]. Given that the algorithm involves solving the Newton equations, which can be an intensive, computationally demanding process, an iterative linear equation solver is employed to solve these equations in an approximate manner that guarantees the minimum will be reached [51, 52, 53]. This iterative solver is terminated after relatively few iterations, leading to the moniker of truncated Newton [51, 53].

The Molecular Operating Environment uses these three algorithms sequentially. Initially several iterations of the steepest descents algorithm are used to bring the gradient down to a more reasonable range and continues only in the direction of energy descent [47, 51, 53]. The conjugate gradients algorithm is then applied to improve the search for a low energy minimum, bringing the gradient down further so that the truncated Newton algorithm can then be applied to find the lowest energy minimum for the energy function [51, 53].

### **1.3 QUANTITATIVE STRUCTURE-ACTIVITY RELATIONSHIPS**

The use of quantitative structure-activity relationship (QSAR) studies is an extremely useful molecular modelling tool for the development of novel drug molecules. The concept of a QSAR involves the assumption that the physical properties of a compound are related to its structure and therefore related compounds (e.g. in the same family of compounds) will have similar properties [54]. The basis is then that mathematical models can be used to first relate and then predict a particular property for sets of compounds: molecular descriptors are calculated for various data sets and then statistical tools are applied to improve the predictive capacity of the descriptors by determining which of the descriptors are relevant to the desired property (for example the

biological activity of the compounds) and eliminating those which have no significant contribution [54]. While techniques related to QSAR have existed since the mid 1800s, molecular modelling allows for an expanded range of descriptors to be calculated for each compound and detailed statistical analyses to be performed at minimal costs in the process of designing new drugs [54].

Molecular descriptors calculated in QSAR studies cover a wide range of properties: physicochemical, electronic, topological and geometric [39]. These descriptors can use the molecular structure to calculate such properties as bond lengths and angles, molecular dipoles and the polar surface area, the number of particular atom types or the logP, all of which can play an important role in the biological activity of a particular compound [39, 55]. Over 330 descriptors can be calculated in MOE for QSAR studies, encompassing two-dimensional (e.g. number of aromatic rings) and three-dimensional descriptors (e.g. the van der Waals volume) [51].

Quantitative structure-activity relationship studies are performed in an iterative fashion in combination with the syntheses of diverse molecules with highly variable biological activity data in order to improve the design of novel drug molecules to obtain maximal efficacy. The process of performing a QSAR requires a set of molecules with known properties. In the case of the presented research this will involve data related to the biological activity of the molecules in question. This training set of molecules contains a selection of compounds with known properties and a significant number of molecular descriptors are calculated for each of the molecules in the set [54, 55].

Statistical analyses in the form of multivariate analyses such as principal components analysis (PCA) and partial-least squares (PLS) are applied to the calculated descriptors to find the most relevant contributions to generate a linear equation capable of predicting the desired property [54]. In PCA, the original data is transformed into linear combinations of the original variables that account for the variance covered by the descriptors, with most of the variance covered in the first principal component (the new variables are referred to as principal components) [56]. In PLS, the data is transformed such that the most variance is represented while retaining the correlation between the dependent and independent variables [56]. In MOE, a binary QSAR model is also available which is non-linear and uses probability distributions to determine how well descriptors can predict the activity or inactivity of molecules [K].

If a large number of descriptors have been calculated for the QSAR, their number is reduced based on their contributions to the predictiveness of the QSAR as otherwise there is a risk of overfitting the data. Overfitting the data means that while the predictions of activity for the training set of compounds will be extremely accurate, the model will be unlikely to provide accurate predictions for the validation set. Descriptors can be “weeded out” based on measures of their importance to correctly predicting activity, and correlation to other descriptors. Two different descriptors may both describe the same property accurately, therefore only one would be needed for the QSAR. As well, some descriptors may provide no information relative to the molecules that are being studied and can thus be eliminated from the QSAR.

The QSAR methods involving linear equations are validated through the use of statistics such as the  $r^2$ , bootstrap  $r^2$  and cross-validation methods which deal with the

goodness of fit of the generated mathematical model [54, 56]. The  $r^2$  value, the square of the correlation coefficient, measures the goodness of fit of the data and better prediction are obtained the closer this value is to 1, and the bootstrap  $r^2$  is the average squared correlation coefficient [56]. The cross-validated  $r^2$  value is a variation of this measurement where either one or more molecules from the training set are left out, with the remaining molecules used for a model to predict the property of the excluded compound; this value is usually lower than the  $r^2$  value [56]. Validation of a binary QSAR involves evaluating the sensitivity and the specificity of the model; the sensitivity is measured as the number of correctly predicted actives divided by the number of observed actives, while the selectivity is measured as the number of correctly predicted inactives divided by the number of observed inactives [57]. These two values can be added together and divided by the total number of compounds to determine the overall accuracy of the model [57]. As this is a binary model, Cohen's kappa can also be calculated to determine how accurate the model is by taking into account the correct predictions that could occur by chance; the best model will have a kappa value that is close to 1 [58].

After a mathematical model has been generated for the training set of data with good statistical values, the linear equation is then applied to a validation set of data, which contains a mixture of active and inactive molecules [54]. Successful application of the model will allow for the model to be applied to further related compounds with unknown activity in order to determine which molecules should be selected for synthesis. Unsuccessful models may be the result of not having calculated enough descriptors to adequately relate the structural features to the desired property or may be due to the presence of outliers which will need to be dealt with on an individual basis; overfitting of

the data may also occur when too many descriptors are used [54]. These QSAR studies can be repeated as many times as necessary to improve the activity of lead compounds in the design of novel therapeutics.

Both QSAR studies and molecular mechanics in the field of molecular modelling are useful tools in the development and design of novel therapeutics for Alzheimer's disease.

#### **1.4 RESEARCH GOALS**

This research encompasses several goals related to the design and development of novel therapeutics for the treatment of Alzheimer's disease, and also a novel approach to identifying the disease presence in individuals using a known drug in a new and functional manner.

The  $\beta$ -amyloid peptide, as it exists at physiological pH within the brain, contains a highly positively charged region that is believed to be directly involved in its conformational changes, this region is designated as the **HHQK** peptidic segment. More specifically, this region is concentrated in both aromatic rings capable of  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions, and cationic charged side chains capable of multiple interaction types. Given this knowledge, the use of highly negatively charged molecules as well as aromatic rings capable of forming aromatic- $\pi$  interactions as potential therapeutics, presents itself as an option for targeting this area of interest, as these functional groups should allow for binding to this charged region on the  $A\beta$  peptide.

In this thesis, computational methods will be used to identify endogenous molecules of the brain that may bind to  $\beta$ -amyloid to prevent its aggregation. This is a



new approach to the disease, as no one has examined small molecules that already exist in the brain for their potential anti-AD properties, or even postulated their existence. This research topic is the continuation of work performed in the Master's thesis by the author entitled "Endogenous Therapeutics for Alzheimer's Disease: Zwitterionic Molecules." Others have suggested peptidic macromolecules as supposed endogenous anti-Alzheimer's agents, but none of them are small molecules, and none of them are potential therapeutics [59].

Through the use of these computational methods, an endogenous molecule that exhibits excellent activity in binding to  $\beta$ -amyloid was identified (Chapter 2). The preliminary research in this chapter, encompassing Sections 2.2-2.6, is from the author's Master's thesis work, and is further expanded on in the rest of the chapter. These endogenous molecules present ideal targets as compounds that already exist in the brain are less likely to cause the side effects that non-endogenous molecules may incur. The enzymatic processes involved in the syntheses and metabolism of these molecules can be targeted to increase levels in the brain, or they can be used to design structurally relevant molecules capable of crossing the blood-brain barrier.

The use of computational methods to identify and develop endogenous (and structurally related synthetic) molecules for AD is also a novel approach. These computational techniques have been used to examine the binding of endogenous and synthetic molecules to a common BBXB motif on proteins involved in Alzheimer's disease in order to validate the "promiscuous drug" concept (Chapter 3). Computational methods were also used to develop analogues of endogenous molecules through the use of a QSAR (Chapter 3).

Furthermore, both endogenous and synthetic molecules were examined for their potential to bind to the **HHQK** region of A $\beta$ , due to its role in the protein misfolding process (Chapter 3). The EV**HHQK** region was also targeted for binding studies with endogenous and synthetic molecules via computational methods (Chapter 4).

The nearby LVFF region of  $\beta$ -amyloid was also examined as a potential target for identified molecules to bind to in order to prevent aggregation (Chapter 5). The binding strength of molecules with both the **HHQK** and LVFF regions was compared to determine if a single molecule could target both regions with the same efficacy.

Computational methods have also been used to examine the repurposing of a known drug for use as a diagnostic agent for Alzheimer's disease (Chapter 6). The results of these studies will allow for the development of a novel diagnostic agent for AD, capable of binding to the soluble forms of A $\beta$ , allowing for both earlier diagnosis of the disease and definitive diagnosis.

# CHAPTER 2: THE SEARCH FOR AN ENDOGENOUS ANTI-ALZHEIMER'S DRUG TARGETING HHQK: PHOSPHOSERINE

It is understood that the clinical course of Alzheimer's disease is quite variable from one afflicted person to another. One potential explanation for this variability arises from the possibility that there are "endogenous" protective factors; i.e. chemicals naturally occurring within humans that have anti-amyloidogenic properties. The research in this chapter focuses on the concept of an endogenous molecule of the brain that will bind to  $\beta$ -amyloid in its monomeric form to prevent aggregation from occurring.

## 2.1 THE HHQK REGION OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID AS A BINDING TARGET

The **HHQK** region of  $A\beta$ , residues His13-His14-Gln15-Lys16, is postulated to be a key component in the interactions that lead to the misfolding of  $A\beta$  as it has a highly positively charged region that can interact with the surface of membranes [16, 17, 41]. This **HHQK** segment also fits the **BBXB** motif identified as being present in various proteins involved in Alzheimer's disease [41]. Molecules containing negatively charged functional groups or aromatic rings should be able to interact with this charged region to block it from other unwanted interactions and thus prevent protein misfolding.

## 2.2 IDENTIFICATION OF PHOSPHOSERINE AS AN ENDOGENOUS MOLECULE TO TARGET THE HHQK REGION OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID

To identify a molecule capable of interacting with the **HHQK** region, we put in place an *in silico* library of endogenous compounds. Using standard textbooks of biochemistry and neurochemistry, coupled with an exhaustive review of literature, we assembled a list of 1,451 compounds (having a molecular weight less than 600) that are naturally occurring within the human brain (these are listed in Appendix 1). A library was constructed containing these compounds in energy minimized, fully extended conformations. This library was screened against the identified **BBXB** motif and phosphoserine (Figure 2.1) is one of the endogenous molecules that was identified through this virtual screening campaign.

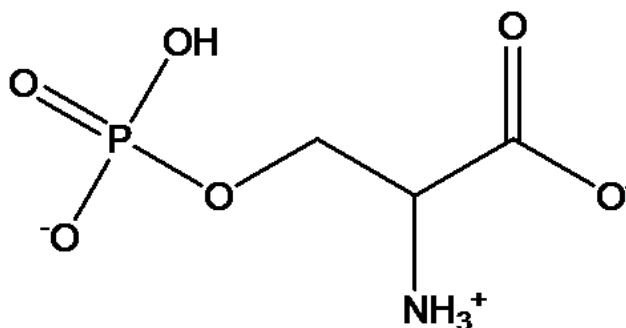


Figure 2.1: Phosphoserine at physiological pH

Phosphoserine is a small endogenous molecule of the brain that is believed to play a role in Alzheimer's disease. Despite suggestions that this role is destructive as proposed by Klunk *et al*, it is in fact possible that phosphoserine has a protective role in the brain by binding to  $\beta$ -amyloid to prevent the conformational conversions that result in neurotoxic aggregates [60, 61]. Given that phosphoserine is already endogenous to the

brain, and is shown to be capable of binding to this **HHQK** region, it presents greater possibilities for developing drugs that will be able to prevent  $\beta$ -amyloid neurotoxicity.

### **2.3 PHOSPHOSERINE IN THE BRAIN**

There is some controversy over the role of phosphoserine in Alzheimer's disease. Studies by Molina *et al* have shown that levels of phosphoserine are decreased in the brains of patients with Alzheimer's disease, while having higher levels of phosphoserine in plasma compared to age- and sex-matched patients [62]. In contrast, studies by Klunk and Mason *et al* have shown a correlation between levels of phosphoserine and the presence of  $\beta$ -amyloid plaques; the highest levels of phosphoserine are located in the regions containing the fewest plaques [60, 61]. Klunk has measured normal levels of phosphoserine in the brain to be 0.3 mM, with an increase of up to 1mM in the brain of Alzheimer's patients [63]. Thus controversy arises over whether brain levels of phosphoserine are actually increased or decreased in the disease.

Klunk suggests since phosphoserine bears structural similarity to glutamate, which is an excitatory neurotransmitter, that phosphoserine could therefore act as an NMDA antagonist and be a cause of the memory disturbances in Alzheimer's patients [60]. According to Mason and Klunk, given that levels of phosphoserine is highest in regions with fewer plaques, it may play a role in the pathogenesis of the disease [60, 63, 64]. They further conclude these increased levels of phosphoserine result in membrane changes that lead to the abnormal processing of APP to generate  $A\beta$  [64].

More recent studies by Wu *et al* suggest rather that the excitotoxicity is the result of D-serine, which is a metabolite of phosphoserine and a potent co-agonist of the NMDA receptor [65]. The rate limiting step in the conversion of L-serine to D-serine is suspected

to be the catabolism of phosphoserine to L-serine [66]. If the brain levels of phosphoserine are increased as Klunk *et al* claim, it may be that increased levels of D-serine would have more of an effect than phosphoserine.

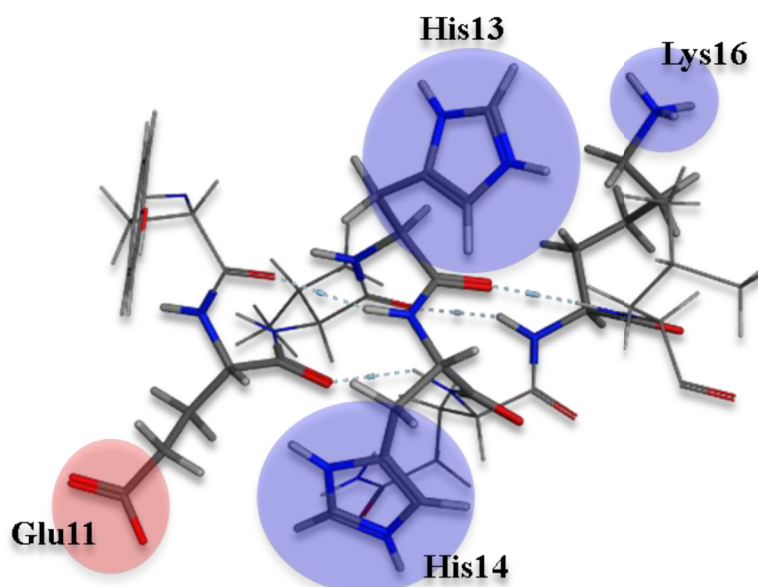
None of the studies have actually studied the impact that phosphoserine could have on the aggregation of A $\beta$ . It could be alternatively interpreted that as levels of phosphoserine are higher in regions with fewer plaques, that it plays a neuroprotective role to prevent amyloid aggregation from occurring. It is possible that phosphoserine may not be detrimental but could be part of the brain's response as a preventative agent in order to protect the brain.

At physiological pH, phosphoserine contains three charged functional groups: a positively charged amino group, a negatively charged carboxylate group and a negatively charged phosphate group. These charged residues are therefore capable of interacting with the **HHQK** region of the  $\beta$ -amyloid peptide, which itself is highly positively charged at physiological pH.

## **2.4 EXPANSION TO TARGET THE EVHHQK REGION OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

As the phosphoserine molecule is in a zwitterionic state at physiological pH, it was realized that the targeted region of A $\beta$  could be expanded to **EVHHQK**, residues eleven to sixteen which are glutamic acid<sup>11</sup> (Glu<sup>11</sup>), valine<sup>12</sup> (Val<sup>12</sup>), histidine<sup>13</sup> (His<sup>13</sup>), histidine<sup>14</sup> (His<sup>14</sup>), glutamine<sup>15</sup> (Gln<sup>15</sup>), and lysine<sup>16</sup> (Lys<sup>16</sup>). Potential interactions could occur between the positively charged amino group on phosphoserine and the negatively charged glutamic acid residue in **EVHHQK**, while the negatively charged groups could interact with the positively charged histidine and lysine residues. The **EVHHQK** region presents four charged sites (see Figure 2.2) with which

phosphoserine can interact with, in the form of electrostatic interactions, between positively charged amino and negatively charged functional groups and vice versa; hydrogen bonding interactions can also occur as both the charged functional groups and amino acid side chains present themselves as hydrogen bond donors and acceptors.



**Figure 2.2:** The charged amino acid side chains of the EVHHQK region of  $\beta$ -amyloid. The acidic Glu11 group is highlighted in red while the basic His13, His14 and Lys16 residues are highlighted in blue.

## **2.5 IN VACUO CALCULATIONS OF PHOSPHOSERINE INTERACTING WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

The first phase in determining if phosphoserine could bind to  $\beta$ -amyloid was to minimize  $A\beta$ -phosphoserine systems *in vacuo* to determine if stable binding interactions could occur. In calculating the gas phase interaction between phosphoserine and the target

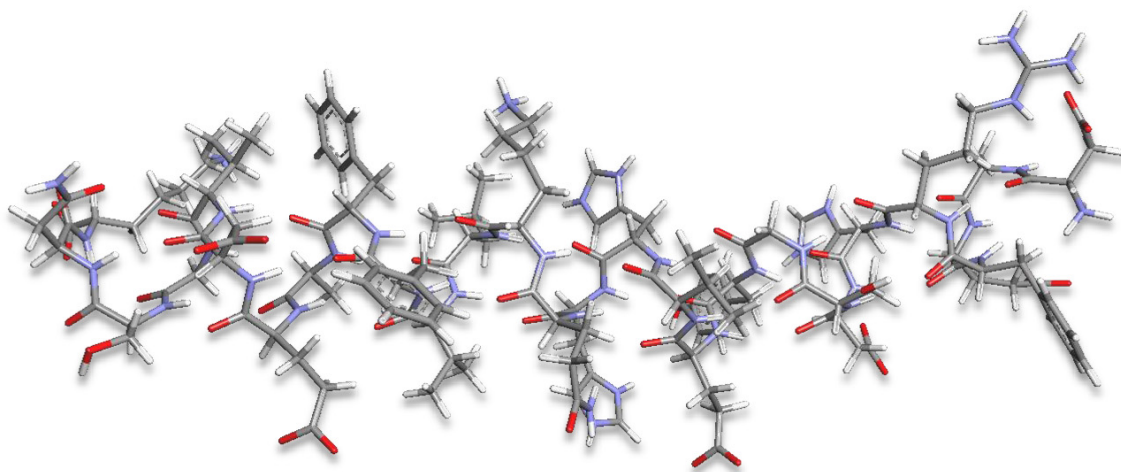
EVHHQK region of  $\beta$ -amyloid, some preliminary work was required to set up the molecules in order to perform the molecular modelling tasks.

### 2.5.1 SELECTION OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID CONFORMERS

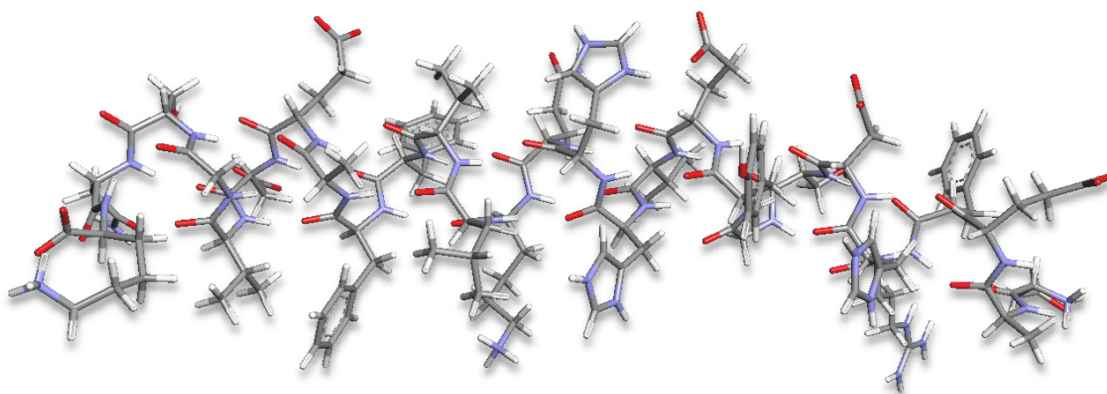
Six different conformations of  $\beta$ -amyloid were selected from the RCSB Protein Data Bank (PDB) to be tested for their capacity to bind to and interact with phosphoserine [67]. These six conformers ranged in length from 16 to 42 amino acids long, and the variety of conformers allowed for a better determination as to whether phosphoserine was capable of binding to the EVHHQK region of  $\beta$ -amyloid or not.

The six selected conformers, given by their PDB identifications, were as follows: 1AMB, 1AMC, 1AML, 1IYT, 1BA4, and 2BP4 [67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73]. All structures were obtained via the use of NMR and under acidic conditions; therefore the structures required some preparation before they could be used for the gas phase calculations [68-73]. The 1AMB and 1AMC conformers are composed of residues one through 28 of the A $\beta$  and both have  $\alpha$ -helical conformations (Figure 2.3 and 2.4) [68, 69]. The 1AML conformer (Figure 2.5) represents the 1-40 length A $\beta$  found in the brain in a random-coil conformation whereas 1BA4 (Figure 2.6), also composed of amino acids 1-40 of A $\beta$ , has a more  $\alpha$ -helical form, although there is a kink in the coil due to a hydrogen-bonded turn being present [70, 71]. 1IYT (Figure 2.7) is composed of 42 amino acids residues, and has a conformation closer to the more toxic A $\beta$  form and is composed of two  $\alpha$ -helices separated by a sharper hydrogen bonded turn [72]. The shortest conformer studied is the 2BP4 conformer (Figure 2.8) which spans the first through sixteenth residues of the  $\beta$ -amyloid peptide and exists in an  $\alpha$ -helical form [73].

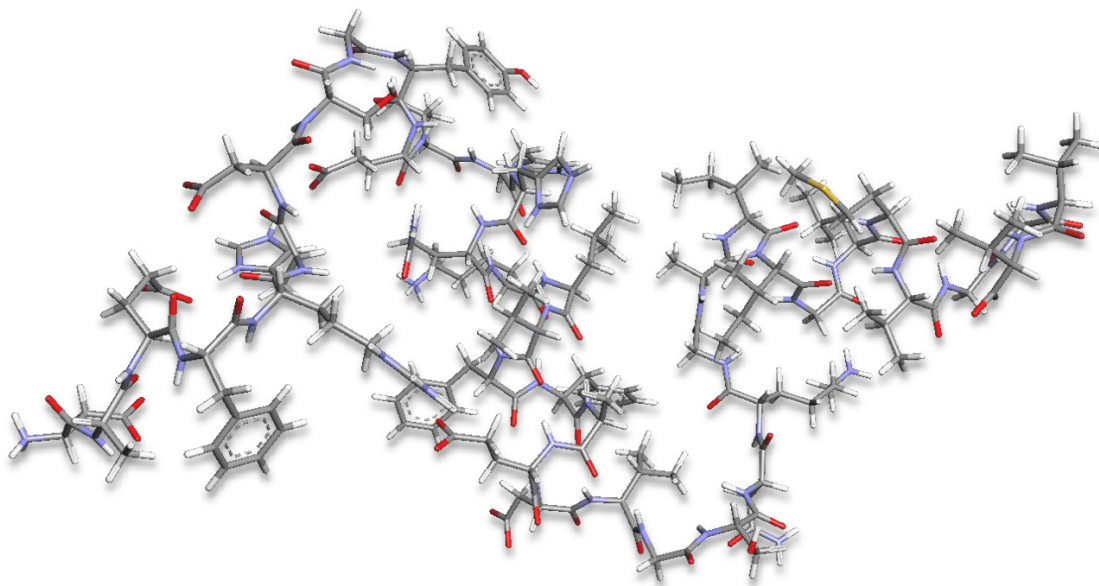




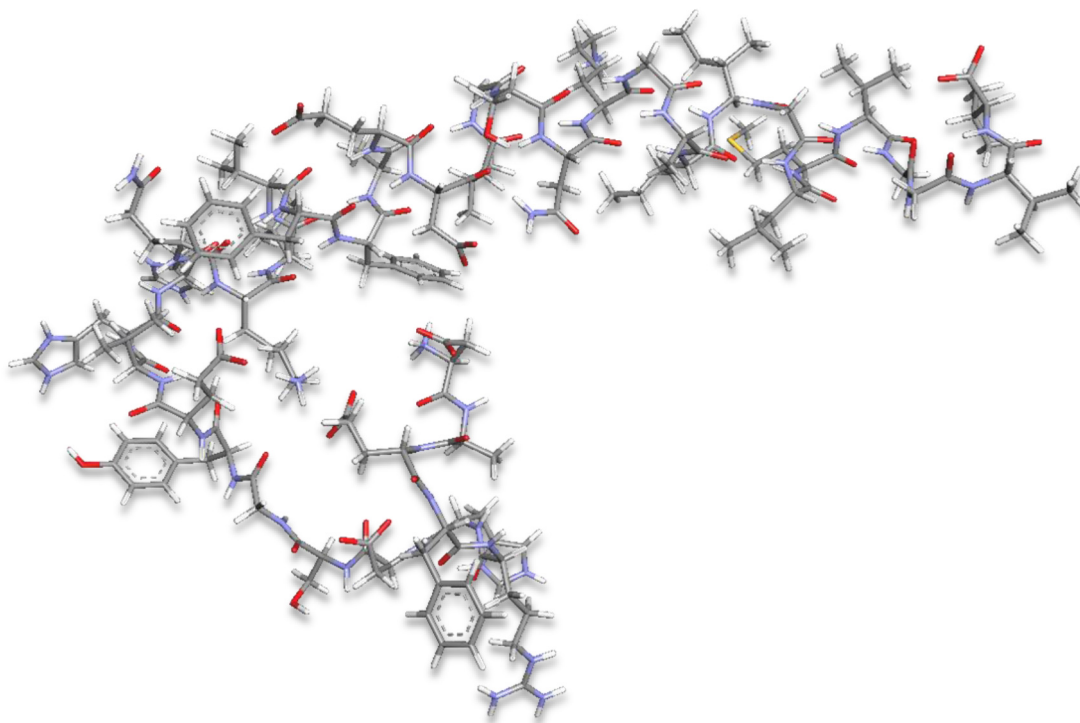
**Figure 2.3: The 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**



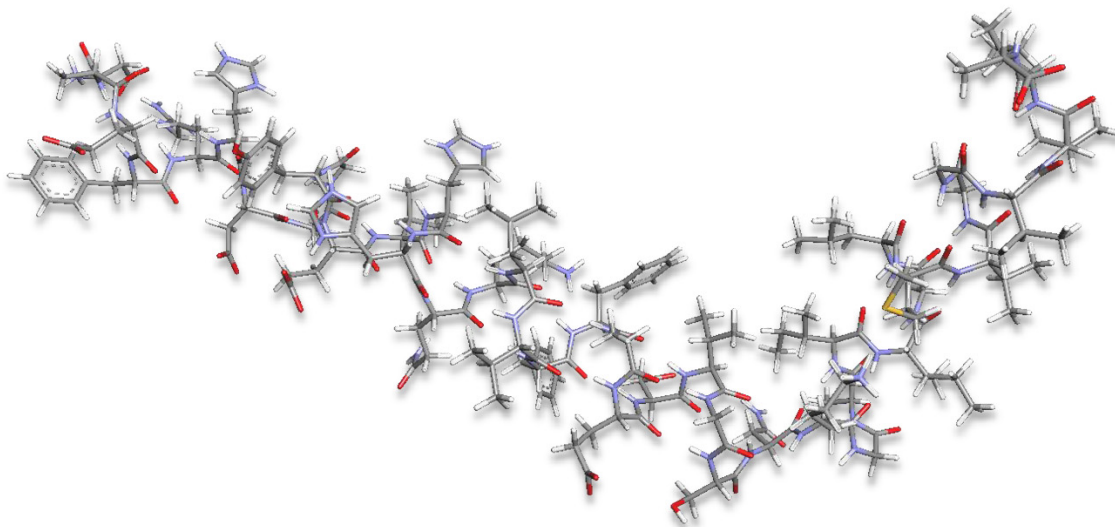
**Figure 2.4: The 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**



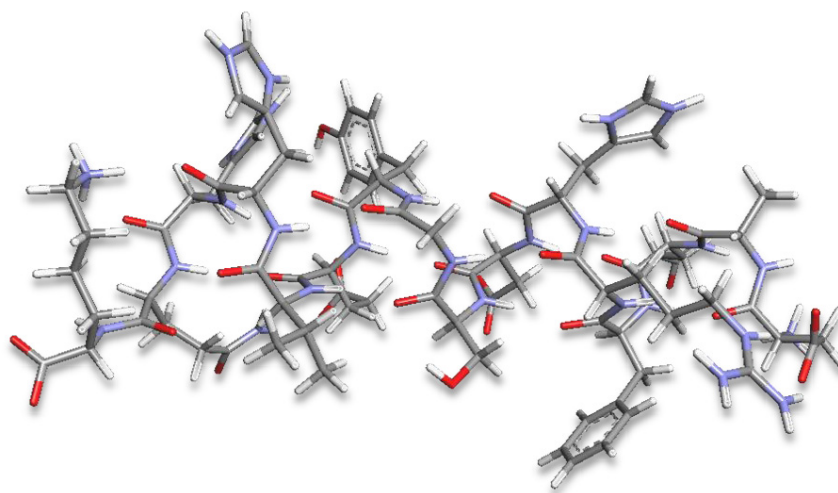
**Figure 2.5: The 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**



**Figure 2.6: The 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**



**Figure 2.7: The 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**



**Figure 2.8: The 2BP4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

The six selected conformers were studied using the Cerius<sup>2</sup> program [45]. The first step was to charge the amino acid side chains such that they would be representative of the charged state as seen at physiological pH. This involved either protonating or deprotonating the side chains and terminal ends as required.

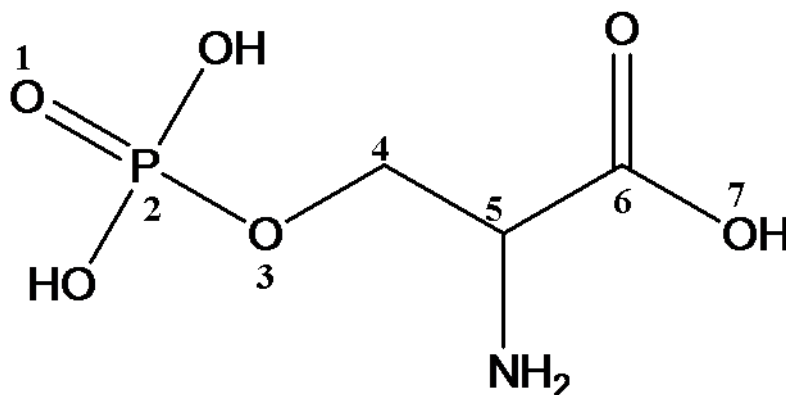
The next step was to locate a structure consistent with an energy minimum on the PES, as this provided a stable, low energy structure with which to work. PDB files of the  $\beta$ -amyloid conformers were downloaded and opened in the Cerius<sup>2</sup> program [45, 67]. Given that the peptide sequences contain polar and charged molecules, the backbones (i.e. the -N-C <sub>$\alpha$</sub> -C=O- chain) were constrained to prevent a collapse of the structures during the gas phase calculations, since in a vacuum these elements will be attracted to each other whereas in an aqueous environment the charges will be shielded by the water molecules. Once the backbone of the conformer was constrained, the DREIDING2.21 force field was used to provide energy minimizations using a steepest descent approach [43]. This resulting low energy conformer for the  $\beta$ -amyloid conformation was saved for use both in gas phase and solution phase calculations. The final energies from each conformer that were used in calculating the energy differences for the following gas phase calculations are denoted in Table 2.1.

**Table 2.1: Total energies of the six  $\beta$ -amyloid conformers as calculated using the DREIDING2.21 force field for gas phase calculations in Cerius<sup>2</sup>**

Conformer	Total Energy (kcal/mol)
1AMB	268.7
1AMC	248.3
1AML	443.4
1BA4	268.2
1IYT	298.7
2BP4	101.4

## 2.5.2 PREPARATION OF THE PHOSPHOSERINE MOLECULE

An optimized molecule of phosphoserine was constructed for use in the calculations. In order to find a low energy, stable structure a conformational search was performed; being a gas phase calculation, a neutral structure of the molecule was constructed in order to prevent self-interactions from occurring.



**Figure 2.9: Neutral phosphoserine molecule with grid search numbers indicated**

An extended, neutral conformation of phosphoserine was constructed, with four torsional angles (1-2-3-4, 2-3-4-5, 3-4-5-6, 4-5-6-7 as shown in Figure 2.9) selected and a grid search was performed in 30° steps from -180.0° to 150.0° [45]. From the resulting structures that were generated during the search, the lowest energy structure was found that was also in an extended conformation (as opposed to being folded in on itself). The selected model was then charged for physiological pH, with a protonated amino group, and deprotonated carboxylate and phosphate groups; the charges were then equilibrated using the Gasteiger algorithm [64]. Finally, all atoms except for the hydrogens were constrained and a steepest descent minimization was performed to ensure the hydrogens were located at the optimal geometries to produce a low energy stable structure. This

model of phosphoserine was used for each of the gas phase calculations, and the total energy of the molecule is given in Table 2.2.

**Table 2.2 Total energy of phosphoserine in the gas phase as calculated in Cerius<sup>2</sup> using the DREIDING2.21 force field**

Ligand	Total Energy (kcal/mol)
Phosphoserine	-42.0

### **2.5.3 CALCULATING GAS PHASE INTERACTIONS BETWEEN PHOSPHOSERINE AND VARIOUS CONFORMERS OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID.**

The purpose of the gas phase calculations was to determine which orientations, if any, of phosphoserine and  $\beta$ -amyloid would result in binding interactions. Should these binding interactions occur, a select few of the most energetically favourable systems would then be examined via solution phase calculations to mimic the natural conditions of the brain, where such interactions would occur *in vivo*.

#### **2.5.3.1 SELECTING INITIAL ORIENTATIONS FOR OPTIMIZATION**

Before the systems were prepared, it was determined that in order for a favourable interaction to occur, two of the charged functional groups should be oriented towards two of the charged side chains in the EVHHQK segment of  $\beta$ -amyloid. Each initial interaction therefore contains two of the charged phosphoserine groups being oriented towards two different charged side chains on A $\beta$ ; the overall number of these potential interactions varies between the different conformations of A $\beta$  being examined.

Experimental studies on drug-receptor interactions showed that the best distance to establish favourable interactions was a distance of approximately 3.0 Å between the functional group and the amino acid side chain. Given these distance requirements, any

possible orientation of phosphoserine and  $\beta$ -amyloid that resulted in a distance greater than roughly 3 Å between the two was rejected: in some cases the side chains of the amino acids were on opposite sides of the  $\beta$ -amyloid peptide and were too far apart to be selected for an initial orientation.

### **2.5.3.2 OPTIMIZATION OF THE GAS PHASE SYSTEMS**

Each of the possible binding orientations available was modelled in the Cerius<sup>2</sup> program [45]. Once phosphoserine was oriented appropriately towards the peptide, the backbone of the peptide was constrained (to prevent self-interactions) and the system was then optimized (to find the lowest energy system) using the steepest descent algorithm. The resulting system was then saved, the energies calculated and finally examined for potential binding interactions: given that all of the charged side chains and amino acids are also capable of forming hydrogen bonds, bonding interactions were determined to have formed in some of the orientations between phosphoserine and  $\beta$ -amyloid.

To determine the favourability of the potential binding interactions that occurred following optimization, the binding energy was determined. The binding energy, which is based on the total energy of the system, was calculated as follows:

$$\Delta E_{\text{bind}} = E_{A\beta\text{phos}} - E_{A\beta} - E_{\text{phos}} \quad (2.1)$$

where  $E_{A\beta\text{phos}}$  is the total energy of the optimized  $\beta$ -amyloid-phosphoserine system,  $E_{A\beta}$  is the total energy of the  $\beta$ -amyloid conformer involved in the interaction, and  $E_{\text{phos}}$  is the total energy of the phosphoserine molecule, all calculated in the gas phase with the DREIDING2.21 force field [43].

#### **2.5.4 GAS PHASE RESULTS OF PHOSPHOSERINE INTERACTING WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

The main results of the gas phase interactions between phosphoserine and  $\beta$ -amyloid were summarized in the following tables according to the selected A $\beta$  conformer. They include the initial orientations that were selected, the resulting orientations after optimization, the binding energy and the number of internal hydrogen bonds that formed. Phosphoserine had a tendency to form internal hydrogen bonds – that is bonds between its charged functional groups, when minimized with  $\beta$ -amyloid in the gas phase. These internal hydrogen bonds needed to be accounted for when determining which interactions were suitable for solution phase calculations: they lowered the energy state of the system, which made the interaction appear more favourable than it truly was with respect to phosphoserine interacting with A $\beta$ .

The initial and final orientations of the functional groups were listed so that the functional group, represented by  $\text{NH}_3^+$ ,  $\text{CO}_2^-$ , or  $\text{PO}_3^-$ , is located under columns indicating the Glu11-Lys16 amino acids of  $\beta$ -amyloid: in a few cases bonding interactions occurred outside the specified region and were noted as such. The final orientation observed only shows interactions where bonding interactions have formed. The calculated  $\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$  energies are listed in kcal/mol.

##### ***2.5.4.1 RESULTS OF THE GAS PHASE CALCULATIONS OF PHOSPHOSERINE INTERACTING WITH THE 1AMB CONFORMER OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID***

There were twenty-four possible arrangements for phosphoserine to be oriented such that two functional groups were interacting with two of the four charged side chains on the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid. Results in Table 2.3 showed that not all of these initial orientations resulted in binding interactions. As the purpose of the experiment was



to determine whether or not phosphoserine is capable of binding to  $\beta$ -amyloid, the phosphoserine molecule should bind to A $\beta$  in at least two different places, therefore those systems that did not result in binding at sufficient sites were not selected for future calculations.

**Table 2.3: Gas phase results of phosphoserine interacting with the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation						Final Orientation						$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Internal
Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	(kcal/mol)	H-Bonds
		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>					PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			-41.2	1
		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>					CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				-34.2	1
		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>					CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				-73.0	3
		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>									-61.1	2
		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>					PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				-48.3	1
		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>									-5.5	1
NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			-43.7	1
CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>						-25.0	1
CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>						PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			1.2	1
PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>									-22.7	2
PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>									2.7	1
NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			-32.8	1
		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>						PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> /CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-61.3	0
		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>						CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-56.1	1
		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>						CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-66.1	4
		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>						CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-67.2	3
		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-79.7	1
		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-74.8	1
NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>						-38.4	1
CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>							CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			2.6	1
CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>							CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			-28.2	1
PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>							PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			-26.2	1
PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>						CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			-54.3	2
NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>						-53.2	1

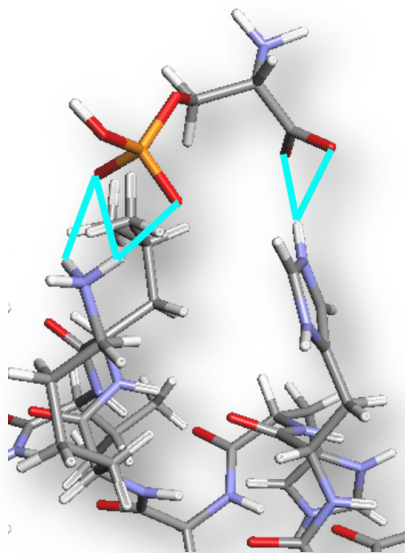
Examination of the results eliminated eighteen of the twenty-four interactions as viable options for the solution phase calculations. The remaining six were ranked in order of energy. The number of internal hydrogen bonds that formed was also taken in to consideration when choosing four of the remaining systems for aqueous treatment (see Table 2.4). The interaction is specified by the initial orientation of the system, where P, N,

and C are not representative of amino acids but rather the charged functional groups present on phosphoserine; the amino acids are identified by their one-letter abbreviation for naming simplicity.

**Table 2.4: Potential interactions of phosphoserine and the 1AMB conformer of A $\beta$  for solvation**

Interaction	$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$
HPHQKN	-79.7
HNHQKP	-74.8
EPVHN	-54.3
ENVHHC	-43.7
HPHC	-41.2
ENVHHP	-32.8

From this information, the HPHQKN, HNHQKP, ENVHHC, and HPHC interactions were selected for solution phase calculations; EPVHN although seemingly lower in energy than the last two orientations selected, also had two binding interactions forming within the phosphoserine molecule, which made the binding energy seem more favourable than it truly was. Figure 2.10 shows the binding interaction resulting from the minimization of the phosphoserine-A $\beta$  system where the amino and phosphate groups were oriented towards the His13 and Lys16 residues initially.



**Figure 2.10: The gas phase interaction occurring between phosphoserine and the His13 and Lys16 residues of the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid. Hydrogen bonds are represented by the turquoise lines.**

#### ***2.5.4.2 RESULTS OF THE GAS PHASE CALCULATIONS OF PHOSPHOSERINE INTERACTING WITH THE 1AMC CONFORMER OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID***

Table 2.5 shows the results of the twenty-four combinations of initial orientations that were available for phosphoserine to interact with the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid. Three of the interactions resulted in binding occurring between phosphoserine and the Tyr10 amino acid on A $\beta$ .

**Table 2.5: Gas phase results of phosphoserine interacting with the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation						Final Orientation							$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Internal
Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Tyr10	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	(kcal/mol)	H-Bonds
NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			-20.8	1
CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>										14.3	1
CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			-20.2	2
PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>							CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			-24.4	1
PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>							CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			-21.2	4
NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>						-30.9	1
PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>					NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			-43.6	2
NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>						NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>						-26.5	1
NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>								CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				-23.1	1
CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>					NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>				CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			6.6	1
CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>												-25.1	1
PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>					PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				-32.7	1
	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>								CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			14.8	1
	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>							CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				-12.0	0
	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>							CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				-25.6	1
	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>							PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				-17.5	1
	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>							PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				-20.9	1
	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>											1.4	1
	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>				CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>							CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-24.4	1
	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>							NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	-54.3	3
	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-46.2	1
	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>							CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-34.5	1
	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>				PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-69.1	1
	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>							CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-48.5	1

Only seven of the twenty-four interactions demonstrated potential for solution phase calculations. Table 2.6 summarizes the potential of these interactions according to their binding energy.

**Table 2.6: Potential interactions of phosphoserine and the 1AMC conformer of A $\beta$  for solvation**

Interaction	$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$
HNHQKP	-69.1
HCHQKP	-46.2
EPVHN	-43.6
EPVHC	-32.7
ENVHHC	-20.8
ECVHHP	-20.2
ECVHN	6.6

Analysis revealed the four best interactions to use for solution phase calculations were HNHQKP, HCHQKP, EPVHC and ENVHHC; due to the presence of two internal bonding interactions in phosphoserine, EPVHN was ruled out as a possible selection since the true energy of interaction was most likely less favourable than indicated. Although EPVHC had one binding interaction outside the EVHHQK region, it was still deemed acceptable for use in solution phase calculations due to the fact that binding was occurring at two different amino acid side chains and the favourable energy of the interaction.

#### ***2.5.4.3 RESULTS OF THE GAS PHASE CALCULATIONS OF PHOSPHOSERINE INTERACTING WITH THE 1AML CONFORMER OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID***

There were twenty-four possible orientations for phosphoserine to be arranged in to interact with the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid, the results of which are presented in Table 2.7.

**Table 2.7: Gas phase results of phosphoserine interacting with the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation						Final Orientation							$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Internal
Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Other	(kcal/mol)	H-Bonds
NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>							-51.8	1
PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>						PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>- a</sup>	-30.0	1
PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>							PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>- b</sup>	-20.7	1
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CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>							CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			-48.6	3
NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>									NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup> a	-36.0	1
NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>					PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>					PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-32.6	1
PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>					NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>								19.3	1
PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>					CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>						CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-37.7	1
CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>					PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>						PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-24.6	1
CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>					NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>						CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>- b</sup>	6.2	1
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NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>					PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>						PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-50.2	1
		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>						CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-46.0	2
		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>						PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-32.5	1
		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>						CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-34.3	1
		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>						CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-36.0	3
		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>						CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-36.0	3
		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>						CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-11.6	1
		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>					PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>- c</sup>	-48.9	2
		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>										-6.8	1
		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>					CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>					-28.3	1
		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>										-18.6	1
		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>										6.1	1
		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>									CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>- c</sup>	-16.3	2

a = Ser8, b = His6, c = Tyr10

Several of the arrangements resulted in binding interactions occurring between phosphoserine and regions outside the area of interest to this study.

Of these twenty-four initial arrangements, only six had binding interactions occurring at two or more sites on  $\beta$ -amyloid, and these are listed in Table 2.8.

**Table 2.8: Potential interactions of phosphoserine and the 1AML conformer of A $\beta$  for solvation**

Interaction	$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$
HPHN	-48.9
ENVHHQKC	-41.0
ENVHHQKP	-32.6
EPVHHN	-30.0
EPVHHK	-20.7
ECVHHQKN	6.2

The first four, with the lowest binding energies, appear to be the most favourable interactions and were selected for solution phase calculations. Although the HPHN interaction had the lowest energy, it also had two internal bonding interactions that formed in phosphoserine, as opposed to only one for all the other interactions; despite this, the energy minus the extra hydrogen bond should still be more favourable than the two higher energy interactions and so it was selected for further calculations. The HPHN and EPVHHN systems were selected although there were binding interactions occurring outside the region of EVHHQK, as they were suitably favourable interactions meeting the requirement that binding occur at a minimum of two different side chains of A $\beta$ .

#### ***2.5.4.4 RESULTS OF THE GAS PHASE CALCULATIONS OF PHOSPHOSERINE INTERACTING WITH THE 1BA4 CONFORMER OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID***

Given that the 1BA4 conformer of A $\beta$  has a hydrogen bond turn present, this resulted in the side chains being further apart or on opposite sides of the peptide chain than in a strictly  $\alpha$ -helical chain structure. As a result there were only twelve orientations in which phosphoserine was capable of binding to  $\beta$ -amyloid, and the final results of the gas phase minimizations are summarized in Table 2.9.

There were more instances in which the final binding interactions involved amino acid side chains outside the EVHHQK region of interest. In particular, initial orientations where phosphoserine was positioned to interact with the Glu11 and Lys16 side chains resulted in several binding interactions occurring with the Asp1 residue; given that the terminal amino acid also has a charged amino group, it was capable of interacting with both the positively and negatively charged functional groups on phosphoserine.

There were only five final binding orientations where phosphoserine formed bonding interactions with A $\beta$  at two or more sites, which are listed in Table 2.10. All of the selected interactions had only one internal hydrogen bond and therefore the four that were selected for further calculations in an aqueous environment were determined based on the binding energy alone.

**Table 2.9: Gas phase results of phosphoserine interacting with the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation						Final Orientation									$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Internal
Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Asp1	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Other	(kcal/mol)	H-Bonds	
NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>					CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>					CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		0.7	1	
CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>					NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>					CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup> <sup>a</sup>	-21.8	1	
PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>					CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup> /CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>					CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup> <sup>b</sup>	-18.6	1	
CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>					PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>					PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-9.6	1	
PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>					NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>							-6.9	1	
NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>					PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>							0.1	0	
		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>									PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-25.8	2	
		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>											-15.9	2	
		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>						CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>					-41.9	2	
		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>						PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>					-46.7	2	
		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>						CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				-25.5	1	
		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>						PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>					-25.3	1	

a = Glu3, b = Asp23



**Table 2.10: Potential interactions of phosphoserine and the 1BA4 conformer of A $\beta$  for solvation**

Interaction	$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$
HCHP	-25.5
ECVHHQKN	-21.8
EPVHHQKC	-18.6
ECVHHQKP	-9.6
ENVHHQKC	0.7

The four binding interactions chosen were HCHP, ECVHHQKN, EPVHHQKC, and ECVHHQKP. While the former had binding interactions within the EVHHQK region, the latter three interactions bound more so to amino acid side chains found outside of this focused region. However, given the few number of interactions available for the 1BA4  $\beta$ -amyloid conformer, they were determined to be acceptable for the solution phase calculations.

#### ***2.5.4.5 RESULTS OF THE GAS PHASE CALCULATIONS OF PHOSPHOSERINE INTERACTING WITH THE 1IYT CONFORMER OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID***

Due to the nature of the 1IYT conformer, in which a sharp hydrogen bonded turn is present that separates the two  $\alpha$ -helical chains present in the structure, there were only eighteen available orientations in which phosphoserine could be placed for potential interaction. These orientations and the results of their minimization calculations in the gas phase are summarized in Table 2.11.

Of the resulting final binding orientations, only four had bonding interactions that bind phosphoserine to A $\beta$  at two different sites, thus these four were selected for further analysis in the solution phase: HCHP, HNHQKP, HPHQKC and HCHQKP, all of which also had favourable binding energies.

**Table 2.11: Gas phase results of phosphoserine interacting with the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation						Final Orientation						$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Internal
Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	(kcal/mol)	H-Bonds
NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>						-33.0	1
PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>									21.3	1
NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>						-25.1	0
CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>									-4.7	1
PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>									10.1	1
CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>									12.8	2
		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>									-36.4	2
		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>									13.7	1
		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>									3.4	1
		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>					CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				-11.2	1
		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>						CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			-23.8	1
		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>					CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			-26.0	1
		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				-20.9	1
		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>						CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-1.1	1
		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-61.0	2
		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				-10.1	1
		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-48.2	1
		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-43.8	1

**2.5.4.6 RESULTS OF THE GAS PHASE CALCULATIONS OF PHOSPHOSERINE INTERACTING WITH THE 2BP4 CONFORMER OF  $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

There were twenty-four available orientations for phosphoserine being optimized interacting with the 2BP4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid. Given that the 2BP4 conformer is the shortest of the conformers that was examined (ending at the Lys16 residue that terminates the Glu11-Lys16 region of interest) it is possible that some of the resulting binding positions were not representative of those seen in the brain. With the longer forms of  $\beta$ -amyloid there could be potential for more side chain interactions occurring in the brain with those amino acids following Lys16 in the peptide sequence of amino acids. Table 2.12 summarizes the results of the gas phase optimizations.

Of the twenty-four final binding orientations, fifteen had interactions form between phosphoserine at two or more side chains on A $\beta$ . This higher number of

favourable binding interactions was most likely due to the fact that the terminal region of the peptide chain was more exposed to the empty space around it, resulting in more freedom of movement for the phosphoserine molecule such that it could find more, lower energy, stable structures. Table 2.13 lists these systems resulting in acceptable binding interactions ranked according to their binding energies. Three of the final binding orientations revealed that phosphoserine had formed interactions with the Tyr10 side chain of  $\beta$ -amyloid.

**Table 2.12: Gas phase results of phosphoserine interacting with the 2BP4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation						Final Orientation							$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Internal
Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Tyr10	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	(kcal/mol)	H-Bonds
PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			-8.5	1
CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>										18.7	1
NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			-41.9	1
PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>										39.2	1
CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			-30.4	2
NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			-45.9	1
		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>						PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-22.9	1
		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>									CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-56.9	1
		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>						CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				-40.9	4
		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>						CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup> /PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-42.5	1
		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>						CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-50.5	1
		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>						PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-59.3	1
		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>				PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				-10.7	1
		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>							PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-29.2	1
		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>							CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-44.0	3
		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>							CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-50.1	3
		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-41.2	1
		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-50.8	1
			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-51.1	1
			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-51.3	1
			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>					CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-50.7	1
			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>				PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-32.5	1
			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>				CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-39.1	1
			NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>							CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-43.5	3

**Table 2.13: Potential interactions of phosphoserine and the 2BP4 conformer of A $\beta$  for solvation**

Interaction	$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$
HPHC	-59.3
HCQKP	-51.3
HPQKC	-51.1
HPHQKC	-50.8
HNQKP	-50.7
HCHP	-50.5
ENVHHC	-45.9
HCHN	-42.5
ENVHHP	-41.9
HCHQKP	-41.2
HCQKN	-39.1
HPQKN	-32.5
ECVHHN	-30.4
HPHN	-22.9
EPVHHC	-8.5

Analysis of the initial orientations that resulted in favourable binding interactions revealed that the four lowest energy interactions were the best choice for calculations in the aqueous phase: HPHC, HCQKP, HPQKC, and HPHQKC all had very favourable binding energies, as well as only having one internal bonding interaction within the phosphoserine molecule, which made them all acceptable interactions for further analysis.

## 2.6 SOLUTION PHASE CALCULATIONS OF PHOSPHOSERINE INTERACTING WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID

To appropriately model the interactions that could occur between phosphoserine and  $\beta$ -amyloid within the brain, solution phase calculations needed to be performed. In the brain, phosphoserine and A $\beta$  are found in an aqueous environment at physiological pH. The presence of water molecules (among other species present in the brain) can therefore alter how these two charged species will interact with each other.

### 2.6.1 THE USE OF EXPLICIT SOLVATION

To simulate the binding interactions that possibly occur in the brain between phosphoserine and  $\beta$ -amyloid, an explicit solvation method was used.

Given the biological nature of the system, having explicit water molecules present was best to mimic the aqueous environment of the brain. Implicit solvation involves the dielectric constant and although the dielectric constant could be modified to mimic the shielding effects water has on charged species, it was not the best method when looking at systems of this nature [42]. By having explicit water molecules present, the true interactions that could occur between the various species present in a system was better represented since the molecules and the peptide side chains could have interactions with water that would also affect how they interacted with each other, as well as geometric positioning.

The Cerius<sup>2</sup> program that was used for the gas phase calculations of phosphoserine interacting with A $\beta$  was determined to lack the appropriate tools for modelling solvated environments, so the QUANTA program was selected [45, 46]. The QUANTA program uses the CHARMM force field, and explicit solvation of water molecules uses the simple TIP3P water molecule [44, 46].

The TIP3P model of water is a rigid model that involves three electrostatic interaction sites; two positively charged hydrogen atoms that sum up to balance the negatively charged oxygen atom [42]. Van der Waals calculations of the water molecules involve only the oxygen atom and not the hydrogen atoms [42]. This model is most commonly used since it provides a fairly accurate model of the properties of water that

are suitable to the type of calculations being performed in this research, while also minimizing the computational cost that occurs when more complex water models are used [42].

## **2.6.2 SET-UP OF THE SOLUTION PHASE CALCULATIONS OF PHOSPHOSERINE INTERACTING WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

The method used for modelling the potential binding interactions between phosphoserine and A $\beta$  was selected to minimize computational cost. This was accomplished by selecting four of the resulting interactions of the gas phase calculations that met specific requirements and then solvating these systems. Only four interactions were selected due to the large computational cost associated with running minimization algorithms on solvated systems. Four calculations were determined to be an adequate number to establish whether the binding interactions would be significantly altered between the gas and solution phases. They should also be sufficient to determine favourable binding interactions in trends with a total of twenty-four results for solvated systems.

### ***2.6.2.1 SOLVATING THE SYSTEM***

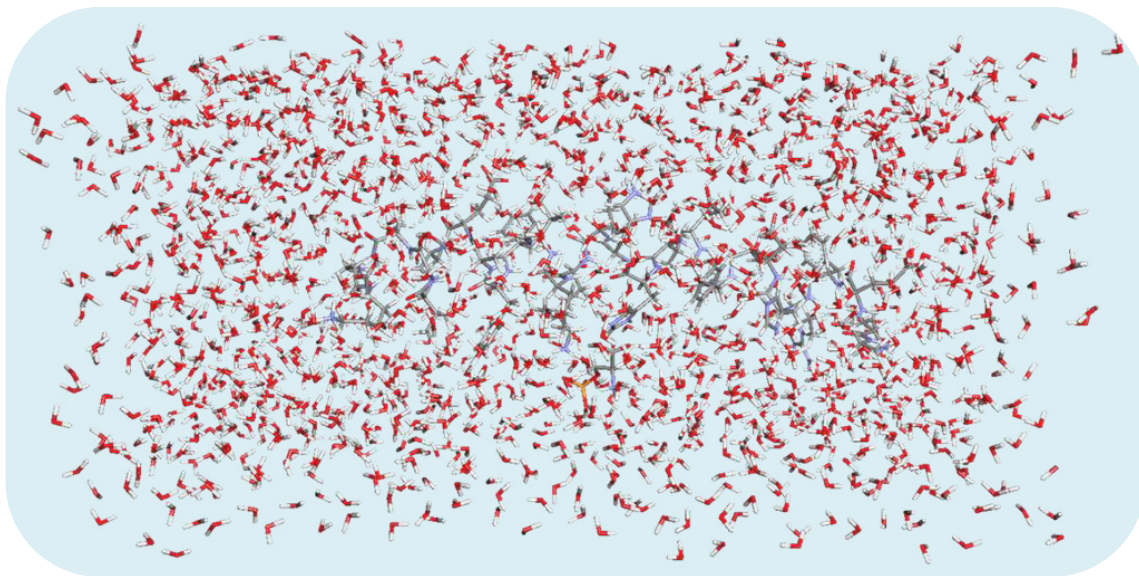
If the gas phase interaction between phosphoserine and the various conformers of  $\beta$ -amyloid resulted in interactions occurring at two or more different amino acid side chains on the peptide, and had a favourable binding energy that was due to the interaction alone and not to the formation of multiple interactions within the phosphoserine molecule, it was selected as a viable option for solvation. The four lowest energy interactions that met these criteria were selected for solvation as this minimized the computational cost involved. By taking a binding interaction known to exist in the gas phase, it could then be

determined what action the presence of water molecules would exert on the system, whether to encourage the binding or to disrupt it. It would have been more computationally demanding to begin again with separated phosphoserine and  $\beta$ -amyloid models and run the same calculations in a solvated environment.

The selected interaction was then solvated, depending on the size of the system, with one or two 30 Å x 30 Å x 30 Å boxes of water molecules. The QUANTA program only has two sizes of water boxes available, 15 Å x 15 Å x 15 Å and 30 Å x 30 Å x 30 Å, neither of which was large enough to solvate the entire peptide except in the case of the 2BP4 conformer [46]. This problem was solved by writing a script that allowed for two 30 Å x 30 Å x 30 Å water boxes to be united. The detailed method and scripts used can be found in Appendices 2-4.

For those systems requiring two 30 Å boxes to be solvated, a program was started to capture the commands in QUANTA and a 30 Å water box was positioned over an atom to solvate part of the system, and then the capture program was terminated [46]. This saved file contained information on the position of the atoms and the water molecules that were introduced to the system. Part of this information was selected, saved and read into the above mentioned script: a second atom from the peptide was selected to place a second water box upon and the file was saved. This saved file was then streamed into the QUANTA program and resulted in two water boxes being positioned on the  $\beta$ -amyloid-phosphoserine complex (a detailed methodology is given in Appendix 2) [46]. In most cases this positioning resulted in some overlap of the boxes which caused some of the water molecules to become merged together. These molecules were then separated where possible to regenerate single water molecules that would not be too close to the

other molecules, or they were deleted as some of the overlapping water molecules were quite mangled. All of these molecules were fixed or deleted as necessary before any other operation was performed on the system. Figure 2.11 shows one of the solvated interactions where two 30 Å water boxes were united together for the system.



**Figure 2.11: The interactions between phosphoserine and the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid in an aqueous environment**

#### ***2.6.2.2 PERIODIC BOUNDARY CONDITIONS***

Once the system was solvated, periodic boundary conditions were introduced. The boundary conditions were necessary to prevent the water molecules from expanding infinitely into space once minimization of the system was commenced. The boundary conditions were set to be equal to the size of the water boxes solvating the system and according to the spatial orientation of the boxes. For the 1AMB, 1AMC, 1AML, and 1BA4 conformers the periodic boundary conditions were therefore set to be 60 Å x 30 Å x 30 Å (in the x, y, and z directions). 1IYT had a different spatial orientation of the water boxes and therefore the periodic boundaries were set for 30 Å x 30 Å x 60 Å. Given that



the 2BP4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid was small enough to be solvated by one 30 Å water box, the periodic boundaries were set to 30 Å x 30 Å x 30 Å.

#### ***2.6.2.3 MINIMIZATION OF THE SOLVATED PHOSPHOSERINE- $\beta$ -AMYLOID SYSTEM***

Once the interacting systems selected from the gas phase calculations were set up for the calculations, the energy minimization step was performed. Unlike the gas phase calculations, no constraints were placed upon the peptide backbone as the water molecules would help to shield the charged species from interacting with each other; those changes that did occur were more likely reflective of the positioning that could exist in a biological environment.

Given the large size of the system – a few hundred peptide and phosphoserine atoms plus several thousand atoms comprising the water molecules – a minimum on the potential energy surface was unlikely to be attained when using the steepest descent minimization algorithm; therefore the steepest descent energy minimization was used to bring the system close to an energy minimum on the PES until it took at least twenty-five iterative steps for the energy of the system to change by 1 kcal/mol. Upon reaching this slow energy change, the minimization was halted and the conjugate gradient energy minimization algorithm was utilized to bring the system to an energy minimum.

#### ***2.6.2.4 ENERGY CALCULATIONS OF THE SOLVATED A $\beta$ -PHOSPHOSERINE INTERACTIONS***

Once an energy minimum was attained, the total energy of the system was measured, ignoring the solvent contributions to the energy of the system, and then the electrostatic energy was measured while also ignoring solvent contributions. A third energy was measured while ignoring the solvent contributions and constraining the

protein backbone in order to determine the electrostatic energy based solely on the amino acid side chains and phosphoserine.

The three energies that were calculated for analytical purposes are therefore; the total binding energy of the system ignoring solvent contributions:

$$\Delta E_{\text{tot}} = E_{\text{tot}} - E_{\text{A}\beta} - E_{\text{phos}} \quad (2.2)$$

$E_{\text{tot}}$  is the total energy of the phosphoserine-A $\beta$  system,  $E_{\text{A}\beta}$  is the total energy of the  $\beta$ -amyloid conformer and  $E_{\text{phos}}$  is the total energy of phosphoserine, all of which were calculated after minimization in the solution phase, but ignoring the solvent contributions to the energy.

The electrostatic energy of the system, after minimization in the solution phase and also ignoring the solvent contributions was calculated by:

$$\Delta E_{\text{ele}} = E_{\text{ele}} - E_{\text{eleA}\beta} - E_{\text{elephos}} \quad (2.3)$$

The electrostatic energy of the final phosphoserine-A $\beta$  system is given by  $E_{\text{ele}}$  and subtracting the electrostatic energy of A $\beta$ ,  $E_{\text{eleA}\beta}$ , and phosphoserine,  $E_{\text{elephos}}$ , gives the overall change in the electrostatic energy for that particular system.

The final energy calculation examined the electrostatic contributions based solely on the phosphoserine and amino acid side chain contributions, ignoring the backbone contributions to this energy (since the backbone atoms could interact electrostatically in maintaining or altering the conformation of the peptide). The equation used is identical to the previous one except that the electrostatic energy was calculated with a constrained protein backbone:

$$\Delta E_{\text{elec pb}} = E_{\text{elec pb}} - E_{\text{elec pb A}\beta} - E_{\text{elephos}} \quad (2.4)$$

$E_{\text{elec pb}}$  is the electrostatic energy of the interacting phosphoserine and  $\beta$ -amyloid system with a constrained protein backbone for the peptide involved,  $E_{\text{elec pb A}\beta}$  is the electrostatic energy of the  $\beta$ -amyloid conformer with the backbone constrained, and the  $E_{\text{elephos}}$  remains unconstrained since the molecule is not a protein.

#### **2.6.2.5 DETERMINATION OF BINDING INTERACTIONS**

To determine if binding interactions occurred as a result of the minimization of the solvated phosphoserine-A $\beta$  systems, two methods were used. First the QUANTA program has an option to display hydrogen bonds present in the system. This feature was applied to the final optimized system once the solvent contributions were ignored for better visualization of the possible interactions [46].

It was discovered that MOE (Molecular Operating Environment) allowed for ligand interactions to be determined, including potential  $\pi$ - $\pi$  and cation- $\pi$  interactions, as well as electrostatic interactions [47]. The final binding orientations were then imported into the MOE environment to determine if any of the other possible types of binding interactions were present [47].

### **2.6.3 SOLUTION PHASE RESULTS OF PHOSPHOSERINE INTERACTING WITH SIX DIFFERENT $\beta$ -AMYLOID CONFORMERS**

The results of the minimizations of phosphoserine interacting with  $\beta$ -amyloid in an aqueous environment are summarized in tables according to the A $\beta$  conformer being examined. The initial binding orientation that resulted from the gas phase calculations is given, followed by the final binding orientation that resulted from the optimized, solvated system. The calculated total energy, electrostatic energy, and electrostatic energy

involving a constrained protein backbone are given (solvent contributions to the system were not included when calculating these energies), as well as the differences in these energies calculated using the previously mentioned equations. Hydrogen bonding interactions are denoted by peach coloured cells, while electrostatic interactions are marked by blue coloured cells in the tables. The energies of the  $\beta$ -amyloid conformers and phosphoserine used to calculate the binding energies of the solution phase interactions are given in Table 2.14.

**Table 2.14: Total energies of the six  $\beta$ -amyloid conformers and phosphoserine calculated in a solvated environment**

Conformer	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$	$E_{\text{elec pb}}$
1AMB	-314.52	-270.43	-55.10
1AMC	-314.53	-280.48	-66.97
1AML	-404.92	-346.18	-54.90
1BA4	-420.10	-369.83	-57.33
1IYT	-530.26	-404.59	-72.85
2BP4	-177.10	-153.70	-39.15
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$	
Phosphoserine	-11.31	-12.76	

### ***2.6.3.1 RESULTS OF THE SOLUTION PHASE INTERACTION BETWEEN PHOSPHOSERINE AND THE 1AMB CONFORMER OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID***

The solution phase calculations resulted in fewer bonding interactions than in the gas phase, but this was understandable given the presence of water molecules in the system. In most cases the functional groups remained in similar orientations to the final result of the gas phase minimizations, with both hydrogen bonding and electrostatic interactions occurring. The results of the final orientations of the functional groups,

binding interactions and the calculated binding energies are tabulated in Table 2.15.

Electrostatic interactions are in blue, while hydrogen bonds are in peach.

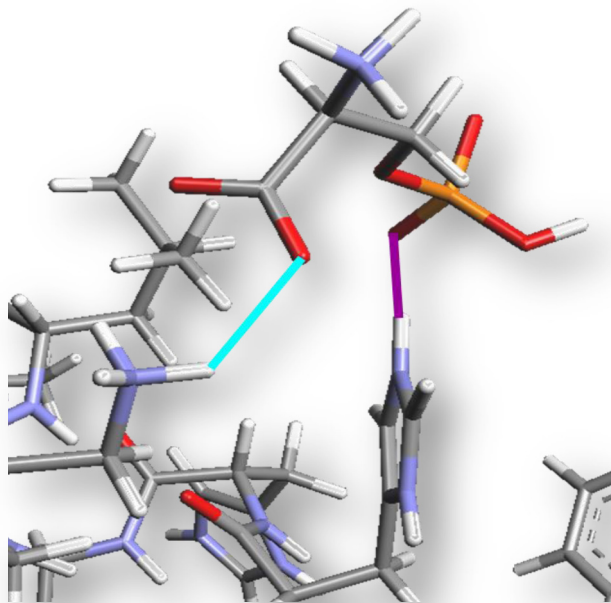
**Table 2.15: The solution phase results of phosphoserine interacting with the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

A) Amino Acid	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
Final Orientation			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup> /PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
$E_{\text{tot}}$	-1382.31 kcal/mol					
$E_{\text{ele}}$	-1416.29 kcal/mol					
$E_{\text{elec pb}}$	-586.11 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$	-1056.48 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$	-1133.10 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{elec pb}}$	-531.00 kcal/mol					
B) Amino Acid	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		
Final Orientation			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		
$E_{\text{tot}}$	-327.32 kcal/mol					
$E_{\text{ele}}$	-284.97 kcal/mol					
$E_{\text{elec pb}}$	-69.12 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$	-1.49 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$	-1.78 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{elec pb}}$	-14.02 kcal/mol					

c) Amino Acid	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	
Final Orientation			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>
E <sub>tot</sub>	-346.16 kcal/mol						
E <sub>ele</sub>	-295.17 kcal/mol						
E <sub>elecpb</sub>	-77.42 kcal/mol						
ΔE <sub>tot</sub>	-20.33 kcal/mol						
ΔE <sub>ele</sub>	-11.99 kcal/mol						
ΔE <sub>elecpb</sub>	-22.32 kcal/mol						
D) Amino Acid	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	
Initial Orientation	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>				CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		
Final Orientation	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>				CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	
E <sub>tot</sub>	-1219.67 kcal/mol						
E <sub>ele</sub>	-1268.40 kcal/mol						
E <sub>elecpb</sub>	-440.86 kcal/mol						
ΔE <sub>tot</sub>	-893.84 kcal/mol						
ΔE <sub>ele</sub>	-985.21 kcal/mol						
ΔE <sub>elecpb</sub>	-385.76 kcal/mol						

Three of the four systems examined retained at least one of the initial hydrogen bonding interactions, while two systems also demonstrated electrostatic binding interactions. In some cases the groups were close enough to each other for potential binding interactions to have occurred, even if they were not recognized as such by the molecular modelling programs. Figure 2.12 shows one of the resulting binding interactions from the solution phase calculations (orientation C) with the water molecules

removed for clarity's sake – hydrogen bonds are represented by turquoise lines, while electrostatic interactions are represented by purple lines.



**Figure 2.12: The binding interactions occurring between phosphoserine and the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid upon minimization in an aqueous environment. The hydrogen bond is in turquoise, while the electrostatic interaction is in purple.**

There is significant variation in binding energies of the systems which is likely due at least in part to the initial set-up of the system: the positioning of the water boxes was not identical and therefore resulted in varying amounts of overlapping water molecules that needed to be removed in order for calculations to proceed. Given that the numbers hold no true value to real life situations, they were only being used for comparative purposes to determine the favourability of interacting phosphoserine- $A\beta$  systems. The only general conclusion that could be made for all four systems is that the binding interactions were favourable given the low  $\Delta E_{\text{elec pb}}$  energies.

**2.6.3.2 RESULTS OF THE SOLUTION PHASE INTERACTION BETWEEN PHOSPHOSERINE AND THE 1AMC CONFORMER OF  $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

The solution phase results of phosphoserine and the 1AMC conformer of A $\beta$  showed fewer bonding interactions occurred than seen in the gas phase. Table 2.16 summarizes these results and it was seen that only two of the four selected systems retained hydrogen bonding interactions upon optimization in a solvated environment.

**Table 2.16: The solution phase results of phosphoserine interacting with the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

A) Amino Acid	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16			
Initial Orientation	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>					
Final Orientation	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>					
E <sub>tot</sub>	-326.54 kcal/mol								
E <sub>ele</sub>	-289.86 kcal/mol								
E <sub>elecph</sub>	-75.52 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{tot}$	-0.69 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{ele}$	3.38 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{elecph}$	-8.55 kcal/mol								
B) Amino Acid	Tyr10	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18
Initial Orientation	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>					
Final Orientation				CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup> /NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>
E <sub>tot</sub>	-318.06 kcal/mol								
E <sub>ele</sub>	-297.70 kcal/mol								
E <sub>elecph</sub>	-82.61 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{tot}$	7.78 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{ele}$	-4.46 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{elecph}$	-15.64 kcal/mol								



c) Amino Acid	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
Final Orientation			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
E <sub>tot</sub>	-330.66 kcal/mol					
E <sub>ele</sub>	-290.69 kcal/mol					
E <sub>elecpb</sub>	-78.22 kcal/mol					
ΔE <sub>tot</sub>	-4.82 kcal/mol					
ΔE <sub>ele</sub>	2.55 kcal/mol					
ΔE <sub>elecpb</sub>	-11.25 kcal/mol					

d) Amino Acid	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	
Final Orientation			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
E <sub>tot</sub>	-325.77 kcal/mol						
E <sub>ele</sub>	-287.44 kcal/mol						
E <sub>elecpb</sub>	-72.66 kcal/mol						
ΔE <sub>tot</sub>	0.08 kcal/mol						
ΔE <sub>ele</sub>	5.80 kcal/mol						
ΔE <sub>elecpb</sub>	-5.69 kcal/mol						

For the most part, the interactions retained the same orientation of phosphoserine functional groups towards the amino acid side chains they were bonded to in the gas phase. Interestingly, those systems where hydrogen bonding still occurred upon minimization in aqueous solution were higher in energy than those that did not result in bonding interactions. It is possible then that there may indeed have been some electrostatic-type interactions occurring in the EVHHQK region of interest for these lower energy systems, or it may have been that the side chains in these particular systems

had engaged in more electrostatic interactions than in those systems where hydrogen bonding occurred.

### **2.6.3.3 RESULTS OF THE SOLUTION PHASE INTERACTION BETWEEN PHOSPHOSERINE AND THE 1AML CONFORMER OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

All four solution phase calculations involving phosphoserine and the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid resulted in at least one bonding interaction forming between the two. The results of these interactions are summarized in Table 2.17. The cell in green indicates where a hydrogen bond had formed as well as an electrostatic interaction occurring between the functional groups on phosphoserine and the backbone atoms of the amino acid residue. Peach coloured cells indicate hydrogen bonds. The pink cell represents an electrostatic interaction between the phosphoserine functional groups and atoms forming the peptide backbone.

**Table 2.17: The solution phase results of phosphoserine interacting with the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

A) Amino Acid	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>					PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
Final Orientation	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>					PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>					
E <sub>tot</sub>	-382.18 kcal/mol					
E <sub>ele</sub>	-356.36 kcal/mol					
E <sub>elec pb</sub>	-64.98 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{tot}$	34.04 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{ele}$	2.58 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{elec pb}$	-10.08 kcal/mol					

B) Amino Acid	Ser8	Tyr10	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>					PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	
Final Orientation	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>

$$E_{\text{tot}} = -398.17 \text{ kcal/mol}$$

$$E_{\text{ele}} = -360.25 \text{ kcal/mol}$$

$$E_{\text{elec pb}} = -72.18 \text{ kcal/mol}$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{tot}} = 18.05 \text{ kcal/mol}$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{ele}} = -1.31 \text{ kcal/mol}$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{elec pb}} = -17.28 \text{ kcal/mol}$$

C) Amino Acid	Tyr10	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Ile31
Initial Orientation	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				
Final Orientation				PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>

$$E_{\text{tot}} = -426.12 \text{ kcal/mol}$$

$$E_{\text{ele}} = -360.03 \text{ kcal/mol}$$

$$E_{\text{elec pb}} = -63.23 \text{ kcal/mol}$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{tot}} = -9.89 \text{ kcal/mol}$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{ele}} = -1.10 \text{ kcal/mol}$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{elec pb}} = -8.33 \text{ kcal/mol}$$

D) Amino Acid	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>					CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>
Final Orientation	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup> PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
E <sub>tot</sub>	-413.13 kcal/mol					
E <sub>ele</sub>	-357.45 kcal/mol					
E <sub>elecpb</sub>	-62.14 kcal/mol					
ΔE <sub>tot</sub>	3.09 kcal/mol					
ΔE <sub>ele</sub>	1.49 kcal/mol					
ΔE <sub>elecpb</sub>	-7.24 kcal/mol					

All of the solution phase results for phosphoserine interacting with the 1AML conformer of Aβ resulted in the formation of at least one calculable binding interaction. All except one of the systems (orientation C) had functional groups close enough to the other amino acid side chains in the EVHHQK region of interest that electrostatic interactions might be possible. All of the final binding interactions exhibited similar, slightly favourable energies as well, indicating that the orientation of phosphoserine towards β-amyloid may have favourable results.

#### **2.6.3.4 RESULTS OF THE SOLUTION PHASE INTERACTION BETWEEN PHOSPHOSERINE AND THE 1BA4 CONFORMER OF β-AMYLOID**

Three of the four solvated interactions of phosphoserine interacting with the 1BA4 conformer of β-amyloid resulted in calculable binding interactions, the results of which are summarized in Table 2.18. Hydrogen bonds are represented by peach coloured cells, and electrostatic interactions that occurred between the phosphoserine functional groups and the backbone atoms of the amino acids are given in pink.

**Table 2.18: The solution phase results of phosphoserine interacting with the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

A) Amino Acid	Asp1	Glu3	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	
Initial Orientation	$\text{NH}_3^+$	$\text{NH}_3^+$						$\text{CO}_2^-$	
Final Orientation	$\text{NH}_3^+$	$\text{NH}_3^+$	$\text{CO}_2^-$					$\text{CO}_2^-/\text{NH}_3^+$	
$E_{\text{tot}}$	-419.52 kcal/mol								
$E_{\text{ele}}$	-372.65 kcal/mol								
$E_{\text{elec pb}}$	-63.59 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$	11.88 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$	9.94 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{\text{elec pb}}$	-6.26 kcal/mol								
B) Amino Acid	Asp1	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Phe19	Asp23
Initial Orientation	$\text{CO}_2^-/\text{NH}_3^+$						$\text{CO}_2^-$		$\text{NH}_3^+$
Final Orientation	$\text{CO}_2^-/\text{NH}_3^+$	$\text{PO}_3^-$					$\text{CO}_2^-/\text{PO}_3^-$	$\text{PO}_3^-$	$\text{NH}_3^+$
	$\text{CO}_2^-$								
$E_{\text{tot}}$	-448.74 kcal/mol								
$E_{\text{ele}}$	-376.84 kcal/mol								
$E_{\text{elec pb}}$	-70.85 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$	-17.34 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$	5.74 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{\text{elec pb}}$	-13.52 kcal/mol								

C) Amino Acid	Asp1	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Phe19	Glu22
Initial Orientation	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>						PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		
Final Orientation	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>					PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>
E <sub>tot</sub>	-417.99 kcal/mol								
E <sub>ele</sub>	-372.88 kcal/mol								
E <sub>elecpb</sub>	-68.85 kcal/mol								
ΔE <sub>tot</sub>	13.42 kcal/mol								
ΔE <sub>ele</sub>	9.71 kcal/mol								
ΔE <sub>elecpb</sub>	-11.52 kcal/mol								
D) Amino Acid	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16			
Initial Orientation			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>					
Final Orientation			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>					
E <sub>tot</sub>	-417.94 kcal/mol								
E <sub>ele</sub>	-374.37 kcal/mol								
E <sub>elecpb</sub>	-70.41 kcal/mol								
ΔE <sub>tot</sub>	13.46 kcal/mol								
ΔE <sub>ele</sub>	8.22 kcal/mol								
ΔE <sub>elecpb</sub>	-13.08 kcal/mol								

The highest energy interaction had no computable hydrogen bonds or electrostatic interactions, although it is very possible that there were some electrostatic interactions occurring between phosphoserine and β-amyloid. The remaining interactions formed hydrogen bonds, as well as possible electrostatic interactions in two cases, and all had similar, somewhat favourable energies, indicating potential binding orientations that may exist in the brain.

**2.6.3.5 RESULTS OF THE SOLUTION PHASE INTERACTION BETWEEN PHOSPHOSERINE AND THE 1IYT CONFORMER OF  $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

The solution phase results of phosphoserine interacting with the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid revealed that only two of the systems formed bonding interactions. Table 2.19 summarizes the final binding orientations and energies of interaction. Electrostatic interactions are represented by blue coloured cells, and hydrogen bonds by peach coloured cells.

**Table 2.19: The solution phase results of phosphoserine interacting with the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

A) Amino Acid	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
Final Orientation			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
$E_{\text{tot}}$	-578.21 kcal/mol					
$E_{\text{ele}}$	-543.54 kcal/mol					
$E_{\text{elec pb}}$	-220.07 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$	-53.64 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$	-126.20 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{elec pb}}$	-146.50 kcal/mol					

B) Amino Acid	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
Final Orientation			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
E <sub>tot</sub>	-611.38 kcal/mol					
E <sub>ele</sub>	-571.99 kcal/mol					
E <sub>elecpb</sub>	-245.84 kcal/mol					
ΔE <sub>tot</sub>	-86.81 kcal/mol					
ΔE <sub>ele</sub>	-154.64 kcal/mol					
ΔE <sub>elecpb</sub>	-172.27 kcal/mol					
C) Amino Acid	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>
Final Orientation			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>
E <sub>tot</sub>	-573.06 kcal/mol					
E <sub>ele</sub>	-537.38 kcal/mol					
E <sub>elecpb</sub>	-212.69 kcal/mol					
ΔE <sub>tot</sub>	-47.49 kcal/mol					
ΔE <sub>ele</sub>	-120.03 kcal/mol					
ΔE <sub>elecpb</sub>	-139.85 kcal/mol					



D) Amino Acid	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			
Final Orientation			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>
E <sub>tot</sub>	-595.40 kcal/mol						
E <sub>ele</sub>	-548.57 kcal/mol						
E <sub>elec pb</sub>	-219.92 kcal/mol						
ΔE <sub>tot</sub>	-70.83 kcal/mol						
ΔE <sub>ele</sub>	-131.23 kcal/mol						
ΔE <sub>elec pb</sub>	-146.34 kcal/mol						

Those systems that resulted in binding interactions had lower, more favourable energies than those that did not. The favourable binding interactions also occurred within the EVHHQK region of interest, and those that did not still had relatively favourable energies, as well as being oriented towards side chains in the same focused region of Aβ.

#### **2.6.3.6 RESULTS OF THE SOLUTION PHASE INTERACTION BETWEEN PHOSPHOSERINE AND THE 2BP4 CONFORMER OF β-AMYLOID**

All four systems of phosphoserine and the 2BP4 conformer of Aβ optimized in an aqueous environment resulted in binding interactions. Hydrogen bonds are denoted by a peach colour, electrostatic interactions between phosphoserine and the amino acid side chains in blue, and electrostatic interactions between phosphoserine and the peptide backbone in pink. A cation-π interaction that formed is in periwinkle. The final orientations and energies are given in Table 2.20, note that orientation C also involved the formation of a hydrogen bond within the phosphoserine molecule.

**Table 2.20: The solution phase results of phosphoserine interacting with the 2BP4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

A) Amino Acid	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
Final Orientation			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
$E_{\text{tot}}$	-400.63 kcal/mol					
$E_{\text{ele}}$	-377.85 kcal/mol					
$E_{\text{elec pb}}$	-274.23 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$	-212.23 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$	-211.39 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{elec pb}}$	-223.77 kcal/mol					
B) Amino Acid	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
Final Orientation			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
$E_{\text{tot}}$	-381.92 kcal/mol					
$E_{\text{ele}}$	-357.66 kcal/mol					
$E_{\text{elec pb}}$	-254.75 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$	-193.51 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$	-191.20 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{elec pb}}$	-204.29 kcal/mol					

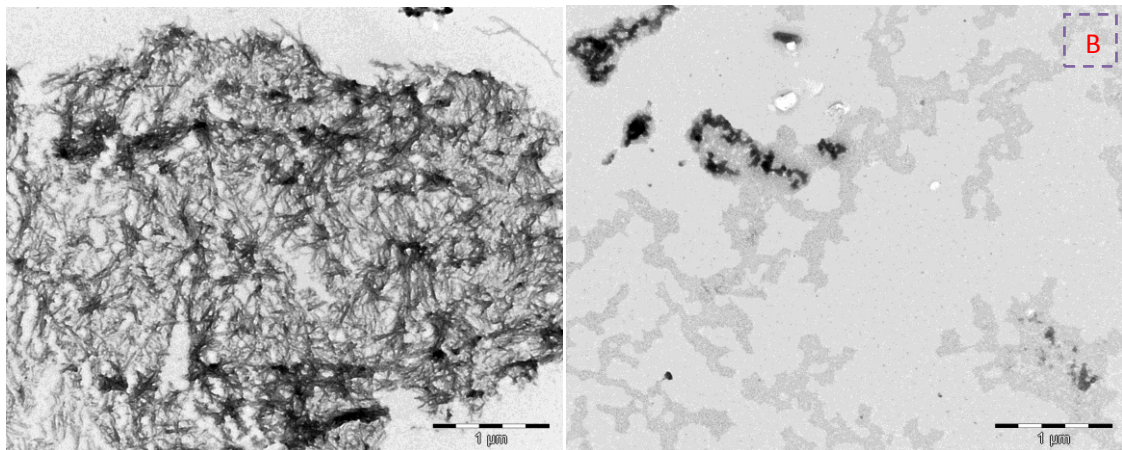
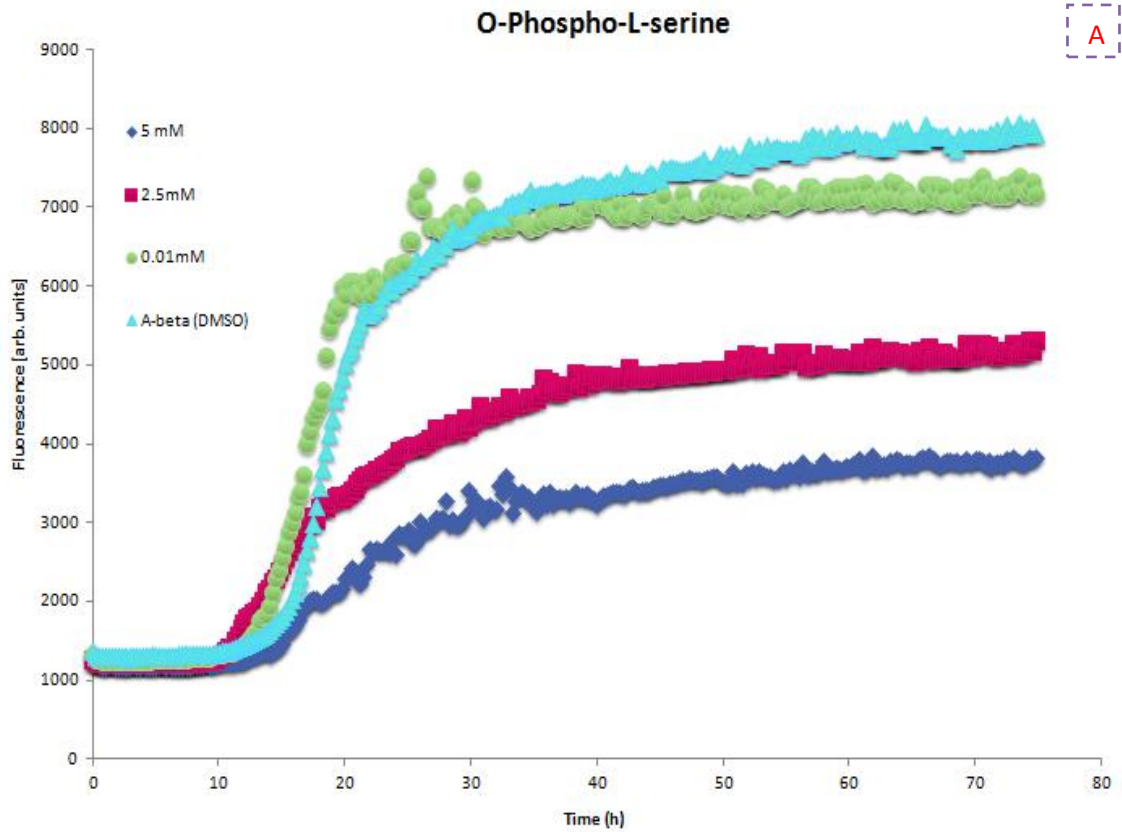
c) Amino Acid	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>
Final Orientation			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>
E <sub>tot</sub>	-405.36 kcal/mol					
E <sub>ele</sub>	-381.41 kcal/mol					
E <sub>elecpb</sub>	-277.56 kcal/mol					
ΔE <sub>tot</sub>	-216.95 kcal/mol					
ΔE <sub>ele</sub>	-214.95 kcal/mol					
ΔE <sub>elecpb</sub>	-227.10 kcal/mol					
d) Amino Acid	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>
Final Orientation			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup> /PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>
E <sub>tot</sub>	-405.40 kcal/mol					
E <sub>ele</sub>	-388.24 kcal/mol					
E <sub>elecpb</sub>	-283.13 kcal/mol					
ΔE <sub>tot</sub>	-217.00 kcal/mol					
ΔE <sub>ele</sub>	-221.78 kcal/mol					
ΔE <sub>elecpb</sub>	-232.67 kcal/mol					

All four interactions appeared to be favourable in terms of low energy as well as functional group orientation. Every one of the four interacting systems formed hydrogen bonds. There did not appear to be a significant correlation between the binding energies and the types of measurable binding interactions that formed; however, it was unknown what the other unmeasured interactions would also be contributing to these energies.

## 2.7 BIOLOGICAL SUPPORT OF PHOSPHOSERINE INTERACTING WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID

The computational findings were supported through experimental means using thioflavin T (ThT), circular dichroism (CD) and transmission electron microscopy (TEM) *in vitro* assays (performed by Todd Galloway). The effect of phosphoserine in preventing both  $\beta$ -amyloid aggregation and  $\beta$ -amyloid conformational change ( $\alpha$ -helix to  $\beta$ -sheet) was examined via these methods. The methods for these assays are given in Appendix 5.

First, the ThT assay showed that phosphoserine was able to reduce the aggregation of  $\beta$ -amyloid from monomers to oligomers (dimers, trimers ... dodecamers) by more than 60% in a dose dependent fashion at concentrations of 0.01-5 mM (See Figure 2.13A). At the same dose range, CD studies showed that phosphoserine was able to inhibit the  $\alpha$ -helix to  $\beta$ -sheet conformational change over a time period of 140 hrs. The ThT and CD studies were done with A $\beta$ 40. The TEM studies used A $\beta$ 42, which is more prone to aggregation than the A $\beta$ 40 variant [8, 10, 15]. Images were taken using freshly prepared A $\beta$ 42 in the presence of DMSO, the control sample, and in the presence of 1 mM phosphoserine. The TEM images in Figure 2.13B show the effects of the presence of phosphoserine on the aggregation of  $\beta$ -amyloid, after a twenty-four hour incubation period compared to the control sample. It is dramatically apparent from these images that phosphoserine inhibited the aggregation of  $\beta$ -amyloid when compared to the control sample, which shows marked clumping of the peptide.



**Figure 2.13: (A) ThT assay of phosphoserine at different concentrations; (B) Transmission electron microscopy images of A $\beta$ 42 incubated with DMSO (left) and 1 mM phosphoserine (right) for a twenty-four hour period.**

## 2.8 PHOSPHOSERINE INTERACTING WITH BBXB

Additional selected gas phase optimizations were performed looking at whether phosphoserine demonstrates the capacity to bind to **BBXB** regions other than the **HHQK** region of  $\beta$ -amyloid. Research by Meier-Stephenson *et al* has suggested that this **BBXB** motif is present on a variety of proteins affiliated with Alzheimer's disease; a "promiscuous drug" could be identified to bind to this common motif for a multifaceted approach to treating AD [41].

To this effect, six proteins identified as playing a role in Alzheimer's disease and having the **BBXB** motif were selected for optimization with phosphoserine: Interleukin-4, Interleukin-12, Interleukin-13, S100 $\beta$ , RANTES, and ICAM-1[75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80].

### 2.8.1 SET-UP OF BBXB OPTIMIZATIONS

Each of the six proteins was optimized in the gas phase for physiological pH conditions. Structures of each of the proteins were first obtained from the RCSB protein data bank and are identified as follows: Interleukin-4 – 2B8U, Interleukin-12 – 1F45, Interleukin-13 – 3BPO, S100 $\beta$  – 1UW0, RANTES – 1HRJ, and ICAM-1 – 1IAM [67, 75-80]. Each protein then underwent specific preparations to be in the correct state for optimization in the QUANTA environment [46].

#### 2.8.1.1 INTERLEUKIN-4

Interleukin-4 (IL-4) is a pleiotropic cytokine that plays a key signalling role in the immune system as well as provoking allergic response that can lead to hypersensitivity [75]. This protein plays a role in immune response and expresses the **BBXB** motif in two

places: as histidine-histidine-glutamic acid-lysine and as histidine-arginine-histidine-lysine [41].

The protein structure of interleukin-4 was downloaded from the RSCB website and first edited in MOE [51]. Hydrogen atoms were added to the structure, and extraneous molecules and any solvent atoms present were deleted from the system. The histidine residues present in the protein were protonated and the file format of the structure was then converted and imported into QUANTA [46]. Atoms were retyped as necessary and the system was then optimized via steepest descents with a constrained protein backbone. The optimized structure was then saved for use in further calculations.

#### ***2.8.1.2 INTERLEUKIN-12***

Interleukin-12 (IL-12) is another cytokine with an immunomodulatory role [76]. This protein is involved in enhancing the cytotoxic activity of natural killer and cytotoxic T-cells, as well as inducing the production of interferon- $\gamma$  (IFN- $\gamma$ ), another inflammatory protein [76]. The **BBXB** motif found in the interleukin-12 amino acid sequence is histidine-lysine-leucine-lysine [41].

The same procedure as in section 2.6.1.1 was followed for the interleukin-12 protein with two exceptions. Before optimization of the system could occur, there were some carboxylate groups that were incorrectly represented as aldehydes, and thus needed to be corrected, and some of the asparagine side chains were missing a proton. Once these adjustments were made, the protein backbone was constrained and then the minimization calculation was run.

### **2.8.1.3 INTERLEUKIN-13**

Interleukin-13 (IL-13) is an inflammatory cytokine with a similar function to IL-4, and presents a **BBXB** motif of histidine-leucine-lysine-lysine [41, 77].

The structure of interleukin-13 was downloaded from the protein data bank into MOE, where hydrogen atoms were added, solvent molecules and other unrelated species were deleted, and the histidine residues were protonated [51]. The PDB structure contained more than just the interleukin-13 chain, so the unnecessary chains were deleted from the system, whereupon the file format was converted and then imported into QUANTA [5]. Optimization then proceeded upon atom retyping and the constraint of the protein backbone.

### **2.8.1.4 S100 $\beta$**

S100 $\beta$  is a calcium binding protein that is found primarily in the cytoplasm of glial cells and plays a role in regulating cellular architecture [78]. Microglia cells are known to cluster at the sites of amyloid deposits in the AD brain, and an increased expression of S100 $\beta$  is seen in these areas [71, 74]. It is postulated that S100 $\beta$  may therefore play a role in the neuropathology of Alzheimer's disease, and it expresses the common **BBXB** motif in the form of histidine-lysine-leucine-lysine, and lysine-leucine-lysine-lysine [41].

The structure of S100 $\beta$  was imported directly into QUANTA, whereupon the histidine residues were protonated and some binding situations that were highly unlikely were deleted [46]. The protein backbone was constrained and minimization of the system occurred via steepest descents.



### **2.8.1.5 RANTES**

RANTES (regulated on activation, normal T-cell expressed and secreted) is a member of the interleukin superfamily of proteins, and is an inflammatory cytokine [79]. In its role it can activate leukocytes and incite their accumulation [79]. It appears that in its natural form, RANTES exists as a dimer; this presents two identical **BBXB** receptors as targets for interaction in the form of arginine-lysine-asparagine-arginine [41].

The RANTES protein was imported into MOE where the two histidine residues present were protonated, and the file format was then converted for QUANTA [46, 51]. The backbone was constrained the system was optimized using the steepest descents algorithm.

### **2.8.1.6 ICAM-1**

ICAM-1, or intracellular adhesion molecule-1, is a protein that can play two roles in the human body; it can help provide adhesion between white blood cells and endothelial cells to allow the passage of white blood cells to the site of injury or stress, or it can act as a receptor for human rhinovirus [22, 80]. ICAM-1 could therefore play a detrimental role in AD in that it allows for increased inflammation, which can cause further damage to the neurons. The **BBXB** motif presents itself twice in ICAM-1 as arginine-arginine-aspartic acid-histidine and as arginine-aspartic acid-histidine-histidine [41].

The protein structure required minimal adjustments with only histidine residues being protonated before the structure was converted to an appropriate format and imported into QUANTA [46]. It was discovered that some of the asparagine residues

were missing hydrogen atoms, so these corrections were made before the system was optimized via steepest descents with a constrained protein backbone.

### **2.8.1.7 OPTIMIZATION METHODS**

Gas phase optimizations were performed to see if potential interactions could occur between phosphoserine and other proteins involved in AD bearing the common **BBXB** motif. These optimizations were performed in the gas phase in the QUANTA program using the CHARMM22 force field [46].

For each simulation, the phosphoserine molecule was set at a distance of 3.0 Å away from the **BBXB** region on the protein such that two of the charged functional groups were oriented towards two of the charged amino acid side chains. The protein backbone was constrained and the system was optimized using the steepest descents algorithm. The final optimized systems were imported into MOE to determine what interactions could occur between the phosphoserine molecule and the proteins [51]. The total energy of the system was calculated using the following equation:

$$E_{\text{tot}} = E_{\text{A}\beta\text{prot}} - E_{\text{prot}} - E_{\text{phos}} \quad (2.5)$$

$E_{\text{A}\beta\text{prot}}$  represents the total energy of the optimized phosphoserine-protein system,  $E_{\text{prot}}$  the energy of the protein optimized by itself, and  $E_{\text{phos}}$  the energy of the optimized phosphoserine molecule. Similarly, the van der Waals energy was calculated using the following equation:

$$E_{\text{vdW}} = E_{\text{A}\beta\text{protVdW}} - E_{\text{protVdW}} - E_{\text{phosVdW}} \quad (2.6)$$

The overall van der Waals energy of the system,  $E_{\text{vdW}}$ , is calculated by subtracting the individual van der Waals energies from the protein,  $E_{\text{protVdW}}$ , and phosphoserine,

$E_{\text{phosVdW}}$ , from the van der Waals energy of the optimized phosphoserine-protein system,  $E_{\text{A}\beta\text{protVdW}}$ . The electrostatic energy of the binding interactions occurring between phosphoserine and the protein was calculated using equation 2.7.

$$E_{\text{Ele}} = E_{\text{A}\beta\text{protEle}} - E_{\text{protEle}} - E_{\text{phosEle}} \quad (2.7)$$

The calculated electrostatic energies of the individual protein,  $E_{\text{protEle}}$ , and phosphoserine,  $E_{\text{phosEle}}$ , were subtracted from the electrostatic energy of the optimized system,  $E_{\text{A}\beta\text{protEle}}$ , to determine the electrostatic energy of interaction.

### **2.8.2 RESULTS OF THE OPTIMIZATION OF PHOSPHOSERINE WITH SELECTED PROTEINS CONTAINING BBXB**

The results of these optimizations are summarized in Table 2.21. Hydrogen bonds that formed between phosphoserine and the protein are indicated by the orange coloured cells; the darker the colour, the more hydrogen bonding interactions that are occurring.

**Table 2.21: Gas phase optimization of phosphoserine interacting with the BBXB motif on various proteins implicated in Alzheimer's disease**

Protein	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation					Binding Energy (kcal/mol)				
	R149	R150	D151	H152	R125	L147	R149	R150	D151	H152	Total	VdW	Ele	
ICAM-1	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>					CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-103.69	4.40	-84.81	
	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-103.76	-4.33	-72.99	
	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>					CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-117.79	1.20	-98.39	
	R150	D151	H152	H153	R150	D151	H152	H153						
	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-113.88	3.97	-95.80	
IL-4	H58	H59	E60	K61	S57	H58	H59	E60	K61					
	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>					-103.87	5.22	-86.86	
	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> /CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				-106.32	2.50	-86.59	
	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>				PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>					-118.33	4.58	-99.18	
	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>					PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				-137.13	3.10	-116.26	
	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-	-	-	-		-104.92	8.11	-88.43	
	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-116.36	4.14	-98.68	
	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>					-123.79	2.54	-101.70	
					CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>									
	H74	R75	H76	K77	Q71	H74	R75	H76	K77	Q78				
	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-116.28	6.49	-101.56	
	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>					-102.88	5.69	-87.38	
	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup> /CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>						-112.67	5.63	-98.14	
CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-117.69	3.21	-99.76		
PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				-12.49	4.99	-105.74		
NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>							CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-128.46	6.18	-111.69		
IL-12	H194	K195	K196	K197	K84	H194	K195	L196	K197					
	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			-	-	-	-	-		-127.56	5.92	-110.39	
	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				-128.89	1.95	-110.86	
	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>					PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				-132.38	2.63	-111.75	
	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-139.92	5.83	-119.72	
	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>					CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-114.73	3.73	-95.54	
	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-152.71	5.35	-134.38	
		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-127.84	3.31	-106.43	
	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>					CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-119.50	1.58	-96.72		
IL-13	H102	L103	K104	K105	A21	H102	L103	K104	K105					
	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>						-100.84	7.75	-86.88	
	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>			PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-102.01	5.81	-86.00	
	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>						PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-106.51	6.04	-93.18	
RANTES	R44	K45	N46	R47	S1	R44	K45	N46	R47					
		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				-228.19	3.03	-198.16	
		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>		CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>		-224.69	-3.95	-199.94	
S100β	H25	K26	L27	K28	H25	K26	L27	K28						
	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>						-96.90	4.23	-77.08	
	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>					-116.33	1.81	-94.44	
	NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>+</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>				PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>					-111.16	5.10	-90.39	
	K26	L27	K28	K29	K26	L27	K28	K29						
			CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>						-133.40	1.35	-107.59	
		PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>				PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>			-122.05	3.83	-98.47		

Although only a sample of some of the proteins involved in Alzheimer's disease containing the **BBXB** motif were examined, the results indicate phosphoserine has the potential to bind to the **BBXB** motif on more proteins than just A $\beta$ . A more detailed study would allow for trends to be determined; however, the results do indicate binding between phosphoserine and multiple sites within the **BBXB** region on five of the six proteins examined.

Energetically speaking, the interactions between phosphoserine and the proteins are favourable. Some of the interactions resulted in a more collapsed phosphoserine molecule where the phosphate and amino groups were interacting within itself. Despite these self interactions, the energies still appear to be more favourable than those between phosphoserine and  $\beta$ -amyloid.

These results indicate that phosphoserine is capable of binding not only to **HHQK** as seen in earlier sections of this chapter, but to other **BBXB** motifs as well in a gas phase environment. This indicates that an endogenous molecule such as phosphoserine could bind to multiple proteins involved in the disease process of AD.

## 2.9 CONCLUSIONS

Overall results of the gas phase calculations showed that phosphoserine is capable of binding to  $\beta$ -amyloid in such a manner as to interact with two different amino acids in the Glu11-Val12-His13-His14-Gln15-Lys16 region. Sufficient interactions resulted from the gas phase minimizations for the four most energetically favourable systems, where binding occurred at two or more sites, to be selected and optimized in a solvated environment.

The solution phase calculations resulted in fewer bonding interactions forming between the charged amino acid side chains and the functional groups on phosphoserine, but this was not surprising given the presence of water molecules in the systems which could have altered the sterics of the interactions, as well as modifying conformations depending on the hydrophobicity or hydrophilicity of the amino acids.

Examination of the results of the solution phase calculations revealed that there are three main binding sites within the EVHHQK region of  $\beta$ -amyloid: His13, His14 and Lys16. Sixteen of the twenty-four interactions had potential binding interactions with His13, in the form of hydrogen bonding, and possible electrostatic interactions. The carboxylate and phosphate functional groups on phosphoserine seemed to interact almost equally with the His13 residue. Potential binding interactions also occurred at the Lys16 residue in sixteen of the twenty-four possible cases. There were a significant number of hydrogen bonds that formed at this site (eleven) and there was also the potential for non-hydrogen bonding, electrostatic-type interactions to occur. Lys16 favoured binding interactions with the phosphate group slightly more than the carboxylate group of phosphoserine. Binding interactions at the His14 residue involved some hydrogen bonding, as well as possible electrostatic interactions, although they only occurred in eleven of the twenty-four minimized systems. There were an equal number of interactions occurring at the His14 side chain with the phosphate and carboxylate functional groups. Overall, it appeared that there was no significant difference between which of the negative functional groups was interacting with these three residues. The Glu11 amino acid residue was also involved in seven potential binding interactions, mainly occurring with the amino and phosphate groups of phosphoserine. The remaining phosphoserine-

A $\beta$  interactions all involved amino acids outside of the four charged amino acids of interest in the EVHHQK region of the peptide.

Closer examination of the results showed that nearly half of the solvated systems had potential binding interactions occurring at both the His13 and Lys16 residues. These interactions favoured carboxylate interactions occurring at the His13 residue and phosphate interactions occurring at the Lys16 residue in a two-to-one ratio over the opposite orientation. Four of these eleven interactions also had the capacity to bind to or interact with the His14 residue. There were another four cases where His13 and His14 were both involved in binding interactions not including Lys16. These interactions involving both histidine and lysine residues appeared to be the most favoured binding interactions, where binding occurs at two or more sites on the peptide, particularly in the EVHHQK region.

## 2.10 INTERPRETATION

It could be suggested based on these observed results, that phosphoserine not only will bind to and interact with  $\beta$ -amyloid *in vacuo*, but also in a solvated environment (such as would exist in the brain). The His13-Lys16 binding interactions are particularly favourable, since it is possible that in binding to these two amino acid side chains, phosphoserine would prevent them from interacting with other proteins or lipid bilayers and thus prevent conformational conversions. Prevention of conversion from  $\alpha$ -helical and random coil to  $\beta$ -sheet conformations should prevent the toxic form of  $\beta$ -amyloid from forming so that no soluble aggregates will be available to inflict neurodegeneration and neurotoxicity.

Biological evidence further supports the computational findings that phosphoserine can interact with  $\beta$ -amyloid to prevent aggregation from occurring. It can be seen from the *in vitro* assays that phosphoserine clearly inhibits the aggregation of  $A\beta$ , which would indicate a potential neuroprotective role.

Furthermore, there is computational evidence that phosphoserine could also interact with other proteins involved in the AD process. Phosphoserine therefore represents an endogenous molecule of the brain that may play a multi-faceted role in the prevention of Alzheimer's disease. These results also support the idea that a single drug molecule could target multiple receptors involved in a disease in a way that would allow for better success at treating the disease rather than targeting a single receptor alone.

Phosphoserine represents a viable endogenous molecule of the brain that can be exploited in designing a drug to prevent  $\beta$ -amyloid conformational conversions. Given the lowered concentrations in the Alzheimer's brain according to Molina *et al*, and its potential role as the brain's response to amyloid aggregation due to high local concentrations in regions free from plaques, phosphoserine may play a protective role in the brain. It may therefore be possible to develop a drug molecule targeting the enzymatic pathways involved in the synthesis and metabolism of phosphoserine that will increase the levels of phosphoserine in order to prevent  $\beta$ -amyloid aggregation.

If levels of phosphoserine are instead elevated in the brain as Klunk *et al* have observed, then drugs that target the catabolism of phosphoserine may be of use to maintain these higher levels. Alternatively, if levels were to remain sufficiently high as part of the brain's natural response to  $A\beta$  aggregation, serine racemase could be targeted



to prevent increased levels of D-serine from forming (as a result of the increased levels of phosphoserine).

Looking at the favourable solution phase results, supported by the biological data, it is therefore likely that increased phosphoserine levels in the brain will allow more phosphoserine to interact with and bind to the stable, non-toxic forms of A $\beta$  and prevent it from taking on neurotoxic properties, and potentially other proteins involved in the disease as well. Phosphoserine therefore presents itself as a possible drug molecule for at least delaying the onset of Alzheimer's disease or at best preventing the disease from commencing.

# CHAPTER 3: THE SEARCH FOR AN ENDOGENOUS ANTI-ALZHEIMER'S DRUG TARGETING HHQK

The previous chapter dealt with the potential interactions between a small endogenous molecule of the brain and the HHQK region of  $\beta$ -amyloid. Additional endogenous molecules of the brain were also identified as potential targets for this region.

## 3.1 THE HHQK AND LVFF REGIONS OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID AS BINDING TARGETS

Two regions of  $\beta$ -amyloid play an important role in the misfolding of the protein; the region containing residues His13-His14-Gln15-Lys16 (**HHQK**) and the region containing residues Leu17-Val18-Phe19-Phe20 (**LVFF**).

The highly positively charged region of **HHQK** is postulated to be a key component in the interactions that lead to the misfolding of  $A\beta$  and also fits the **BBXB** motif identified as being present in various proteins involved in Alzheimer's disease [41]. Molecules that contain negatively charged functional groups or aromatic rings should be able to interact with this charged region through various binding interactions to block unwanted interactions with membrane surfaces from occurring.

Situated immediately next to the **HHQK** region of  $A\beta$  is the **LVFF** region, which also has been identified as another potential region for small molecules to bind to in order to prevent protein misfolding [82]. This represents more of an **AAXA** motif, where A is an aliphatic or aromatic amino acid and X is any other amino acid residue. Systems can be visually examined to determine if aliphatic interactions with these side chains may be

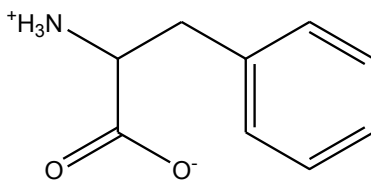
occurring, and aromatic-aromatic interactions are capable of being identified within the MOE program [47]. In this chapter, some of the small molecules be examined will also be analyzed for their potential to bind to both the **HHQK** and LVFF regions of  $\beta$ -amyloid.

### 3.2 IDENTIFICATION OF AMINO ACIDS AND THEIR METABOLITES AS TARGET MOLECULES

As stated in Chapter 2, Section 2.2, a library of endogenous compounds of the brain was searched for potential drug targets capable of interacting with the **BBXB** motif. Several small molecules were identified in this process including the amino acids tryptophan, phenylalanine and their metabolites. These molecules were examined through *in silico* methods for their potential to bind to both the **HHQK** and LVFF regions of  $\beta$ -amyloid.

### 3.3 PHENYLALANINE AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID

The library of endogenous molecules of the brain, when screened against the identified **BBXB** motif, identified phenylalanine (Figure 3.1) as one of the endogenous molecules which possessed the necessary features to interact with this region. The structure of phenylalanine also presents regions capable of interacting with the LVFF region of  $A\beta$  as well.



**Figure 3.1: Phenylalanine as charged for physiological pH**

A geometry optimized phenylalanine structure was built for the following calculations, whereupon a grid scan was performed on the molecule over three possible torsional angles in a stepwise fashion of 30° increments from 0° to 330°. The lowest energy conformation resulting from this search was selected and then minimized via steepest descent followed by conjugate gradient minimization. The resulting structure was considered geometry optimized and used in setting up the systems for energy minimization in the gas phase; the energy is given in Table 3.1.

**Table 3.1: Gas phase energy of phenylalanine**

	Total Energy (kcal/mol)
Phenylalanine	3.20

Both gas phase and solution phase calculations were performed examining the potential binding interactions between phenylalanine and the **HHQK** and LVFF regions of the  $\beta$ -amyloid peptide and both sets of calculations were performed in QUANTA using the CHARMM force field [46, 48, 50]. Solution phase geometry optimizations were performed to determine if interactions that occurred between phenylalanine and A $\beta$  would still occur in an environment more representative of the brain.

As there are no crystal structures available of  $\beta$ -amyloid to give its exact conformation, six NMR based structures were selected for interacting with the phenylalanine molecule – these six different structures allow for determination of the potential binding interactions with small molecules like phenylalanine in a variety of A $\beta$  conformations. The structures were obtained from the RCSB Protein Data Bank (PDB) and range in length from 28 to 42 amino acids and encapsulate both the **HHQK** and

LVFF regions of interest. The six selected conformers, given by their PDB identifications, were as follows: 1AMB, 1AMC, 1AML, IBA4, 1IYT, and 1Z0Q [67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 83]. While the phosphoserine optimizations looked at the 2BP4 conformer, it was not long enough to be used for these optimizations as LVFF was of interest too and the terminal end was residue 16 [73]. The 1Z0Q conformer was selected as it is composed of residues 1-42 [83]. These structures were imported into QUANTA, charged appropriately for physiological pH and then optimized with a constrained protein backbone to find the lowest energy gas phase conformation [46]. The energies of the proteins can be found in Appendix 6.

### **3.3.1 GAS PHASE INTERACTIONS BETWEEN PHENYLALANINE AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

Gas phase optimizations were performed to determine if phenylalanine was capable of binding to the **HHQK** and LVFF regions of  $\beta$ -amyloid. If interactions did occur, selected favourable interactions would be further examined via solution phase calculations to better determine if such interactions would occur *in vivo*.

#### ***3.3.1.1 SELECTION OF INITIAL ORIENTATIONS FOR OPTIMIZATION***

Previous research by the author has indicated that separating the phenylalanine molecule from the desired peptide region of  $\beta$ -amyloid by a distance of 3.0 Å is the most effective for determining whether favourable or unfavourable interactions will occur. Systems were set up such that two of the amino, carboxylate or aromatic functional groups of phenylalanine could interact with two of the **HHQK** or LVFF side chains of interest. Some interactions could not be tested as the amino acid side chains were either too far apart for the small phenylalanine molecule to interact with, or were on opposite sides of the peptide.

### **3.3.1.2 OPTIMIZATION OF THE GAS PHASE SYSTEMS**

Each of the potential binding interactions was modelled in the QUANTA program using the CHARMM force field [46, 48, 50]. The phenylalanine molecule was oriented towards the peptide at the appropriate distance and then the backbone of the protein conformation was constrained before the system was optimized. Given the nature of gas phase optimizations, constraining the protein backbone prevents collapse of the protein structure due to intramolecular interactions in the gas phase. Minimization was first performed using the steepest descent algorithm followed by conjugate gradient to ensure a minimum point was reached on the PES. The optimized system was then examined for potential binding interactions. The final interactions were next examined in the Molecular Operating Environment for other possible interactions such as cation- $\pi$  and  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions [47].

To determine the relative favourability of the optimized systems, the binding energy was determined using the following formula:

$$\Delta E_{\text{bind}} = E_{A\beta\text{phen}} - E_{A\beta} - E_{\text{phen}} \quad (3.1)$$

Where the total binding energy is equal to the energy of the optimized phenylalanine- $\beta$ -amyloid system,  $E_{A\beta\text{phen}}$ , minus the individual contributions of separately optimized phenylalanine,  $E_{A\beta\text{phen}}$ , and  $\beta$ -amyloid,  $E_{A\beta}$ .

### **3.3.2 GAS PHASE RESULTS OF PHENYLALANINE INTERACTING WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

The main results of the gas phase optimizations of phenylalanine interacting with different conformations of  $A\beta$  are summarized in the following tables according to the

selected  $\beta$ -amyloid conformer and contain information of the initial and final phenylalanine orientations.

The tables also contain the calculated binding energies (in kcal/mol) and the number of measureable binding interactions that have occurred. The amino acid side chains are represented by single letter notations and their position on the peptide chain. The functional groups are also represented by abbreviations where C represents the  $\text{CO}_2^-$  functional group, N the  $\text{NH}_3^+$  functional group and Ar represents the aromatic ring present in phenylalanine.

Tables 3.2 through 3.7 summarize the results of the gas phase minimizations of phenylalanine with each of the six  $\text{A}\beta$  conformers: 1AMB, 1AMC, 1AML, 1BA4, 1IYT, and 1Z0Q respectively. Interactions covered **HHQK** and **LVFF**, as well as overlapping possibilities between the two regions. The number of measureable bonds occurring for each system was, respectively, eleven, thirteen, nine, four, ten and ten.

Although interactions between the amino functional group and the lysine side chain are likely to be repulsive, these orientations were still included for comparison of what potential binding interactions could occur, or if rearrangements would happen.

For each of the  $\beta$ -amyloid conformers examined for potential interactions with phenylalanine, the overall binding energies, as well as the electrostatic and van der Waals energies were compared to determine which interactions were most favourable. It was determined that by selecting the overall most energetically favourable binding interactions (where potential binding could occur at two or more sites) would reflect a range of favourable van der Waals interactions, electrostatic interactions and overall

energetically favourable systems. Therefore, for each A $\beta$  conformation, the six systems selected for optimization in the solution phase exhibited the most favourable binding energies and involved phenylalanine interacting with  $\beta$ -amyloid at two or more amino acid side-chains.

**Table 3.2: Gas phase results of phenylalanine interacting with the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation								Final Orientation								$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Measureable	
H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	X	(kcal/mol)	Bonds
C	Ar							C	Ar								-12.99	1
Ar	C							Ar	C								-13.66	0
N	Ar								Ar							C/Ar	-10.98	2
Ar	N							Ar	N							Ar	-12.25	0
Ar			C					Ar			C						-8.28	2
C			Ar					C/Ar			Ar					Ar	-10.53	1
Ar			N					N/Ar			N					Ar	-9.15	1
N			Ar					N			Ar						-8.09	1
					Ar		N					Ar			N	N	-10.31	0
						Ar	N						Ar	N		Ar	-13.55	0
							Ar	N						Ar	N	Ar	-11.47	0
							N	Ar							Ar		-8.79	0
			C	Ar				C			C	Ar					-9.31	2
			N	Ar							Ar	Ar/N			Ar		-10.48	0
C				Ar				C				Ar/C					-10.16	2
N				Ar				Ar				Ar					-9.15	0
	N				Ar				Ar				Ar				-8.24	0
	C				Ar				C				Ar				-9.70	0
	C			Ar					C			Ar	Ar				-10.87	0
	N			Ar					N			Ar	Ar				-11.36	1
							N					Ar	Ar	N			-12.80	2
			Ar				N				C	N			Ar		-13.38	2
			C				Ar					N/Ar			Ar		-13.01	0
			N				Ar											



**Table 3.3: Gas phase results of phenylalanine interacting with the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation								Final Orientation								$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Measureable	
H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	X	(kcal/mol)	Bonds
Ar	N							Ar	N							Ar/C/N	-14.07	2
N	Ar							N	Ar							C/Ar	-12.20	2
Ar	C							Ar	C							Ar	-13.88	0
C	Ar							C	Ar							Ar	-14.93	1
Ar			N					Ar/N			N					Ar	-11.30	1
N			Ar					Ar			C	Ar					-10.12	2
Ar			C					Ar			C	Ar					-9.19	1
C			Ar					C			Ar						-6.84	1
				Ar			N					Ar			N		-8.67	0
					Ar	N							Ar	N		Ar	-9.72	0
						N	Ar			Ar	Ar			Ar/N		Ar	-13.19	1
						Ar	N							Ar	N	N	-11.22	0
N				Ar				N/Ar				Ar					-10.90	1
	N				Ar				N				Ar				-9.89	0
	C				Ar			C	C				Ar				-10.91	0
				Ar				C			C	Ar					-12.27	1
			C	Ar				C			C	Ar					-8.89	0
			N	Ar								Ar/N			Ar		-10.42	0
			Ar				N				Ar				N		-12.69	2
			C				Ar	C			C	Ar					-8.88	1
			N				Ar			Ar	Ar			Ar			-9.65	1

**Table 3.4: Gas phase results of phenylalanine interacting with the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation								Final Orientation								$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Measureable	
H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	X	(kcal/mol)	Bonds
Ar	C							Ar	C							Ar/C	-20.27	1
C	Ar							C	Ar							Ar/N	-12.71	0
N	Ar							N	Ar							Ar/C/N	-17.54	0
Ar	N							Ar/N	N							N/Ar	-15.63	1
Ar			C					Ar			C						-5.70	0
C			Ar					C			Ar						-11.71	0
N			Ar					Ar			Ar						-6.63	0
Ar			N					Ar			N					Ar	-6.72	0
				Ar			N	Ar				Ar			N	N/Ar	-14.02	2
					Ar	N				N				N		Ar/N/C	-18.37	0
						Ar	N							Ar	Ar		-10.43	0
						Ar	N							Ar	N		-8.79	0
	C				Ar					C						N/Ar	-18.57	1
	N				Ar											C	-14.05	1
			Ar			N					Ar			N			-10.96	1
			C			Ar					C			Ar			-6.87	1
			N			Ar								Ar			-7.76	0
Ar							N	Ar							N	N	-14.02	2
C							Ar	C							Ar		-16.01	1
N							Ar								Ar	Ar	-12.92	0

**Table 3.5: Gas phase results of phenylalanine interacting with the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation								Final Orientation								$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Measureable	
H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	X	(kcal/mol)	Bonds
Ar	N							Ar	N								-10.84	0
N	Ar							N/Ar	Ar								-9.69	2
C	Ar							C	Ar								-10.88	2
Ar	C							Ar	Ar/C								-11.99	1
				Ar			N					Ar			N		-6.22	0
					Ar	N				Ar			Ar	N			-8.43	0
	C			Ar					C				Ar				-6.60	0
	N			Ar									Ar/N				-9.34	0
		Ar					N							N	Ar		-15.77	1
N					Ar			N	Ar		Ar	Ar	Ar				-12.04	0
C					Ar			C	Ar		Ar	Ar	Ar				-11.85	0

**Table 3.6: Gas phase results of phenylalanine interacting with the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation								Final Orientation								$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Measureable	
H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	X	(kcal/mol)	Bonds
Ar	C							Ar									-11.81	1
C	Ar							C	Ar			Ar					-13.07	0
N	Ar							N/Ar	Ar								-11.39	2
Ar	N							Ar				Ar					-8.61	1
N			Ar								Ar				Ar		-8.50	0
Ar			N					Ar			N						-8.84	0
C			Ar					C			Ar				Ar		-11.98	1
Ar			C					Ar			C					Ar	-10.53	1
				Ar			N					Ar			N/Ar		-8.34	1
					Ar	N							Ar	N			-10.74	0
						Ar	N				Ar			Ar	N		-8.27	0
						N	Ar							Ar	Ar	Ar	-13.15	0
C				Ar				C			Ar						-11.52	0
N				Ar				N			Ar						-8.86	1
	C			Ar					C		Ar		Ar				-7.14	0
	N			Ar					N		Ar	Ar					-12.15	1
			C				Ar				C			Ar	Ar/C		-9.81	0
			Ar				N				Ar			Ar			-8.05	1
			N				Ar							Ar	Ar		-8.83	0
			C			Ar					C			Ar/C			-8.95	2
			Ar			N					Ar			N/Ar			-7.92	0
			N			Ar								Ar/N			-9.65	0

**Table 3.7: Gas phase results of phenylalanine interacting with the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation								Final Orientation								$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Measureable	
H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	X	(kcal/mol)	Bonds
N	Ar							N	Ar							Ar	-13.65	2
Ar	N							Ar									-7.82	0
C	Ar							C	Ar		C						-14.05	1
Ar	C							Ar	C		Ar						-16.10	3
N			Ar					Ar			Ar						-6.49	0
Ar			N					Ar			Ar						-9.62	1
Ar			C					Ar/C			C						-11.24	2
C			Ar					C			Ar						-7.89	1
				Ar			N					Ar			N/C		-13.68	1
				Ar		N						Ar		Ar	Ar		-9.03	0
						N	Ar								Ar		-7.97	0
						Ar	N							Ar			-3.42	0
	N				Ar				Ar				Ar				-10.75	0
	C				Ar				C/Ar				Ar				-14.77	0
	N			Ar					Ar								-14.33	1
	C			Ar					N			C/Ar					-15.88	1
			C			Ar					C			Ar			-13.94	2
			N			Ar					N/Ar			Ar			-13.87	0
			Ar			N					Ar			C			-13.75	0

The interactions that were chosen as the most favourable, with binding occurring at two or more sites for each of the conformers can be summarized in the following table. The amino acid side chains are represented by their single letter abbreviations, and the functional groups of phenylalanine interacting with those side chains are highlighted in purple.

**Table 3.8: Selected interactions for optimization of phenylalanine with  $\beta$ -amyloid in the solution phase**

Interaction	Binding Energy (kcal/mol)	Interaction	Binding Energy (kcal/mol)
1AMB		1BA4	
HArHC	-13.66	HNQKLVAr	-12.04
VArFN	-13.55	HArHC	-11.99
KCLVFFAr	-13.38	HCQKLVAr	-11.85
HCHAr	-12.99	HCHAr	-10.88
KArLVFFN	-12.80	HArHN	-10.84
HArHN	-12.25	HNHAr	-9.69
1AMC		1IYT	
HCHAr	-14.93	HCHAr	-13.07
HArHN	-14.07	HNQKLAr	-12.15
HArHC	-13.88	HCHQKAr	-11.98
FNFAr	-13.19	HCHQKLAr	-11.52
KArLVFFN	-12.69	HNHAr	-11.39
HCHQKLAr	-12.27	VArFN	-10.74
1AML		1Z0Q	
HArHC	-20.27	HArHC	-16.10
VArFN	-18.37	HCQKLVAr	-14.77
HNHAr	-17.54	HCHAr	-14.05
HCHQKLVFFAr	-16.01	LArVFFN	-13.68
HArHN	-15.63	HNHAr	-13.65
LArVFFN	-14.02	KCLVFAr	-13.94

### 3.3.3 SOLUTION PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF PHENYLALANINE INTERACTING WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID

Upon completion of the gas phase optimizations, six of the resulting energetically favourable interactions were selected from each A $\beta$  conformer for solution phase minimizations. Using these initial gas phase optimized systems allowed for more efficient solution phase calculations. The solution phase optimizations were also performed in QUANTA using the CHARMM force field [45, 47, 49].

### 3.3.3.1 SOLVATION AND MINIMIZATION SET-UP FOR PHENYLALANINE AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID

Solution phase calculations were performed using explicit solvation. As discussed in Chapter 2, Section 2.6.1, given the biological nature of the systems being examined, having explicit water molecules present was optimal to mimic the aqueous environment of the brain. The procedure for solvating the systems followed that which was outlined in Chapter 2, Sections 2.6.2.1-2.6.2.3.

The binding energies of the minimized solution phase interactions between phenylalanine and  $\beta$ -amyloid were calculated using three different equations:

$$\Delta E_{\text{tot}} = E_{\text{tot}} - E_{A\beta} - E_{\text{phen}} \quad (3.2)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{ele}} = E_{\text{ele}} - E_{\text{ele}A\beta} - E_{\text{elephen}} \quad (3.3)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}} = E_{\text{vdw}} - E_{\text{vdw}A\beta} - E_{\text{vdwphen}} \quad (3.4)$$

The measured energies were the total binding energy,  $\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ , the total electrostatic binding energy,  $\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ , and the total van der Waals binding energy,  $\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ . All followed the same type of calculation where the energy contributions of the peptide conformer and the phenylalanine molecule were subtracted from the energy of the final minimized phenylalanine- $A\beta$  system as calculated via solution phase optimization and all energies were computed ignoring the energy contributions of the water molecules present in the system. The resulting optimized phenylalanine- $A\beta$  systems were examined for measurable binding interactions in both the QUANTA and MOE programs [46, 47].

The types of measurable binding interactions that occurred in these systems comprised hydrogen bonding, cation- $\pi$  interactions and  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions. Other interactions such as aliphatic-aromatic interactions may have been occurring as well; the

presence of these types of interactions was usually reflected in the system when functional groups remained in their initial orientations and were not displaced by interactions with water molecules.

### 3.3.4 SOLUTION PHASE RESULTS OF PHENYLALANINE INTERACTING WITH SIX DIFFERENT CONFORMATIONS OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID

The results of the solution phase optimizations of the phenylalanine- $\beta$ -amyloid systems have been summarized in tables for each conformation of  $\beta$ -amyloid. Initial and final binding orientations are given; the three calculated energies and any measurable binding interactions that occurred are indicated according to the following colour scheme: hydrogen-bonds are coloured orange, cation- $\pi$  interactions are green and  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions are blue. Interactions occurring outside the **HHQK** and **LVFF** regions of interest are also indicated. As in the gas phase calculations, the amino acids are represented in single letter notation with the respective site number on the peptide chain and the phenylalanine functional groups are represented by C, N, and Ar for the carboxylate, amino, and aromatic groups, respectively.

The final energies for the binding interactions were calculated using the following energies for phenylalanine in Table 3.9. The energies of the solvated proteins are given in Appendix 6.

**Table 3.9: Total energies of phenylalanine in the solution phase**

	Energy (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$
Phenylalanine	4.32	2.76	-0.12

The results of the solution phase optimizations between phenylalanine and the 1AMB conformer of A $\beta$  are indicated in Table 3.10. Of the six interactions selected for solution phase optimization, four had measureable binding interactions. Three of the six systems also demonstrated potential binding interactions at His13 and His14. Overall the binding energies are very favourable.

Table 3.11 indicates the results of the solution phase optimization of potential interactions between phenylalanine and the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid. Each of the six systems had measureable binding interactions when optimized and three of the six also exhibited possible binding at His13 and His14. One of the systems, despite demonstrating multiple binding interactions, had extremely unfavourable binding energies. With this one exception, the rest of the interactions demonstrated both favourable overall binding energies as well as favourable van der Waals energies.

The results of the solution phase interactions between phenylalanine and the 1AML A $\beta$  conformation are given in Table 3.12. Four of the six optimized systems resulted in measureable binding interactions and three of the six also demonstrated potential interactions at His13 and His14. There is no correlation between the number of measured binding interactions and the overall favourability of the total binding energies, which are all relatively favourable. Systems demonstrated a preference for van der Waals interactions over electrostatic interactions as seen in the calculated energies.

Table 3.13 denotes the results of the solution phase minimizations of the phenylalanine and the 1BA4  $\beta$ -amyloid systems. All of the systems had measureable binding interactions, and four of these also exhibited potential binding at the His13 and

His14 residues. The binding energies are favourable and the van der Waals energies are significantly more favourable than the electrostatic energies.

**Table 3.10: The solution phase results of phenylalanine interacting with the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Y10	Amino Acid								E22	$E_{tot}$ kcal/mol	$E_{ele}$ kcal/mol	$E_{vdw}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{tot}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{ele}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{vdw}$ kcal/mol
		H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20							
Initial Orientation	Ar	Ar	C													
Final Orientation	Ar	Ar	C								-365.38	-278.30	-179.14	-55.18	-10.63	-16.74
Initial Orientation				Ar			Ar	Ar/N		Ar						
Final Orientation							Ar	Ar/N		Ar	-374.49	-279.50	-185.87	-64.28	-11.83	-23.47
Initial Orientation					C	N										
Final Orientation					C	C/Ar/N				Ar	-375.09	-277.51	-184.14	-64.89	-9.83	-21.75
Initial Orientation	Ar	C	Ar													
Final Orientation	Ar/C	C	Ar								-374.48	-281.38	-185.68	-64.27	-13.71	-23.29
Initial Orientation					Ar	N										
Final Orientation					Ar	N				N	-374.06	-281.73	-180.25	-63.86	-14.06	-17.86
Initial Orientation	Ar	Ar	N													
Final Orientation	Ar	Ar	Ar*/N		Ar						-374.31	-281.28	-183.45	-64.11	-13.61	-21.06

\*Indicates the functional group involved in the specified interaction that is occurring

**Table 3.11: The solution phase results of phenylalanine interacting with the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Y10	E11	V12	Amino Acid								$E_{tot}$ kcal/mol	$E_{ele}$ kcal/mol	$E_{vdw}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{tot}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{ele}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{vdw}$ kcal/mol
				H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20						
Initial Orientation	Ar			C	Ar												
Final Orientation	Ar			C	Ar			C			-378.22	-284.71	-182.41	-68.01	-6.99	-21.62	
Initial Orientation	C*/Ar	N		Ar	N			Ar	Ar/N								
Final Orientation	C*/Ar	N		Ar	N			Ar	Ar/N		-381.60	-283.16	-185.76	-71.38	-5.44	-24.97	
Initial Orientation	Ar			Ar	C												
Final Orientation	Ar			Ar	C						-317.10	-273.30	-166.17	-6.89	4.42	-5.38	
Initial Orientation			Ar			Ar	Ar		N/Ar								
Final Orientation			Ar			Ar	Ar		N*/Ar		-373.62	-291.48	-177.56	-67.13	-7.20	-22.28	
Initial Orientation						Ar			N								
Final Orientation						Ar	Ar		N*/C		-377.35	-284.93	-183.07	-63.86	-14.06	-17.86	
Initial Orientation				C				Ar									
Final Orientation				C				Ar			-377.93	-279.24	-188.35	-67.71	-1.52	-27.56	

\*Indicates the functional group involved in the specified interaction that is occurring



**Table 3.12: The solution phase results of phenylalanine interacting with the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

		Amino Acid										$E_{tot}$	$E_{ele}$	$E_{vdw}$	$\Delta E_{tot}$	$\Delta E_{ele}$	$\Delta E_{vdw}$						
		F4	R5	H6	Y10	H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	E22	G29	A30	I31	kcal/mol	kcal/mol	kcal/mol	kcal/mol	kcal/mol	kcal/mol
Initial Orientation						Ar	C										C/Ar	-476.07	-357.78	-243.39	-75.47	-14.36	-30.78
Final Orientation						Ar	C										C/Ar						
Initial Orientation						Ar				Ar		N		N	Ar		Ar	-456.08	-349.37	-233.34	-55.48	-5.95	-20.73
Final Orientation						Ar						N		Ar		Ar							
Initial Orientation		Ar	Ar	C				N				N		N*/Ar				-481.81	-356.96	-246.83	-81.21	-13.54	-34.22
Final Orientation		Ar	Ar	C				N				N		Ar									
Initial Orientation					Ar	N	Ar										N/C	-474.09	-355.78	-242.46	-73.49	-12.36	-29.85
Final Orientation					Ar	N	Ar			N							C						
Initial Orientation						C											Ar	-472.44	-350.94	-238.93	-71.84	-7.51	-26.31
Final Orientation						C				Ar		Ar		Ar	Ar/C								
Initial Orientation					N/Ar	N/Ar*	N										Ar	-462.18	-346.17	-234.68	-61.58	-2.75	-22.06
Final Orientation					N	N/Ar*	N/C										Ar						

\*Indicates the functional group involved in the specified interaction that is occurring

**Table 3.13: The solution phase results of phenylalanine interacting with the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

		Amino Acid										$E_{tot}$	$E_{ele}$	$E_{vdw}$	$\Delta E_{tot}$	$\Delta E_{ele}$	$\Delta E_{vdw}$
		V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	kcal/mol	kcal/mol	kcal/mol	kcal/mol	kcal/mol	kcal/mol	
Initial Orientation			Ar	Ar/C													
Final Orientation			Ar	Ar*/C	Ar		C				-493.11	-369.69	-247.71	-77.34	-2.61	-41.42	
Initial Orientation			C	Ar													
Final Orientation			C	Ar							-489.66	-374.64	-239.99	-73.88	-7.57	-33.70	
Initial Orientation			Ar	N													
Final Orientation	Ar		Ar	N	Ar						-484.59	-369.77	-244.80	-68.82	-2.70	-38.51	
Initial Orientation			N	Ar													
Final Orientation			N/Ar	Ar	Ar						-487.59	-367.77	-241.49	-71.82	-0.70	-35.20	
Initial Orientation				N	Ar		Ar	Ar									
Final Orientation				N	Ar		Ar	Ar			-492.69	-373.03	-244.93	-76.91	-6.01	-38.64	
Initial Orientation				C	Ar		Ar	Ar									
Final Orientation				C	Ar		Ar	Ar			-492.58	-372.52	-243.88	-76.80	-5.45	-37.60	

\*Indicates the functional group involved in the specified interaction that is occurring

**Table 3.14: The solution phase results of phenylalanine interacting with the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Y10 V12	Amino Acid									$E_{tot}$ kcal/mol	$E_{ele}$ kcal/mol	$E_{vdw}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{tot}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{ele}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{vdw}$ kcal/mol
		H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20							
Initial Orientation		C	Ar						Ar							
Final Orientation		Ar*/C	Ar						Ar							
Initial Orientation				N					Ar	Ar						
Final Orientation				N					Ar	Ar						
Initial Orientation									Ar							
Final Orientation	C								Ar	C						
Initial Orientation									Ar							
Final Orientation									Ar							
Initial Orientation			N	Ar												
Final Orientation	Ar		N/Ar	Ar												
Initial Orientation										Ar	N					
Final Orientation						Ar			Ar	N						

\*Indicates the functional group involved in the specified interaction that is occurring

**Table 3.15: The solution phase results of phenylalanine interacting with the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	G9 V12	Amino Acid									A21	$E_{tot}$ kcal/mol	$E_{ele}$ kcal/mol	$E_{vdw}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{tot}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{ele}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{vdw}$ kcal/mol
		H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20								
Initial Orientation		Ar	C						Ar								
Final Orientation		Ar	C						Ar								
Initial Orientation			C/Ar						Ar								
Final Orientation			C						Ar	Ar							
Initial Orientation			C	Ar					C								
Final Orientation			C	Ar					C								
Initial Orientation								Ar		N/C							
Final Orientation										N							
Initial Orientation		N	N	Ar													
Final Orientation		N	N	Ar													
Initial Orientation									C		Ar						
Final Orientation	Ar				Ar				C		Ar						

The results of the optimization of phenylalanine with the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid in a solvated environment are given in Table 3.14. Half of the systems resulted in measureable binding interactions, and only two exhibited potential binding interactions

at the His13 and His14 residues. The overall binding energies are significantly lower than the previously calculated interactions with other A $\beta$  conformations, and the van der Waals and electrostatic energies are very similar in range.

Phenylalanine and the 1Z0Q conformer of A $\beta$  were optimized in the solution phase and the results are indicated in Table 3.15. Four of the systems exhibited measureable binding interactions when optimized, and three of these also demonstrated the potential to interact with the His13 and His14 residues of  $\beta$ -amyloid. The total binding energies are moderately favourable compared to the others. Van der Waals energies are again slightly more favourable than the electrostatic binding energies.

### **3.3.5 CONCLUSIONS OF PHENYLALANINE INTERACTING WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID.**

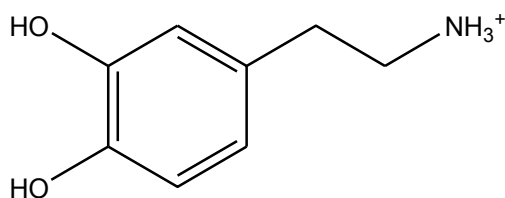
Overall, the results of the solution phase optimizations of phenylalanine and six different  $\beta$ -amyloid conformers indicate that potential binding interactions can occur. Cation- $\pi$  interactions tend to be somewhat favoured over hydrogen bonding, with only a few  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions, and most of these measureable interactions occur at the His13 and His14 residues of the peptide. Examining systems for potential binding at two or more sites reveals His13-His14 as the preferred interaction, with a few at His13-Leu17 and His14-Leu17. Overall, interactions occurring strictly within the LVFF region were not as favoured, even though phenylalanine should be capable of forming aromatic-aromatic interactions with the phenyl rings of Phe19 and Phe20.

In general, the measured binding energies did not exhibit a direct correlation to the number of measureable binding interactions; therefore it is possible that there are also

aliphatic-aromatic interactions occurring among other types of interactions that cannot be directly measured and/or visualized in the modelling programs.

### 3.4 DOPAMINE AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID

One of the amino acid metabolites identified by screening the library of endogenous compounds is dopamine (Figure 3.2) which is one of the products in the metabolic pathway of phenylalanine [39].



**Figure 3.2: Dopamine as charged for physiological pH**

Dopamine is a naturally occurring small molecule found in the human brain that plays a role as a neurotransmitter [39]. Although dopamine is often mentioned in relationship to Parkinson's disease, it also has altered levels in the brains of Alzheimer's patients. Research indicates that levels of dopamine in plasma are significantly lower in Alzheimer's patients when compared to controls [84]. It is suggested that while there is no loss of dopaminergic neurons as a result of AD, the enzymes involved in stimulating the release of dopamine from neurons are not as active or are decreased in concentration [84, 85]. As dopamine is a small molecule endogenous to the brain and L-DOPA can be given to patients to generate more dopamine in the brain, studies were performed to see if dopamine was capable of binding to the  $\beta$ -amyloid peptide, specifically at the **HHQK** and **LVFF** regions.

The neutral dopamine molecule was subjected to a grid search from 0° to 330° in 30° steps, for each of the two torsional angles. The lowest energy structure generated from this search was first charged for physiological pH and was then minimized via steepest descent and conjugate gradient algorithms to find the lowest energy structure in the QUANTA program [46]. The energy of the optimized structure is given in Table 3.16.

**Table 3.16: Gas phase energy of dopamine**

	Total Energy (kcal/mol)
Dopamine	-3.32

The potential binding interactions between dopamine and the specified regions of the A $\beta$  peptide were examined in both gas and solution phase environments. These optimizations were performed in QUANTA using the CHARMM force field [46, 48, 50]. The same six conformations of  $\beta$ -amyloid selected for use in the phenylalanine calculations were also used to perform these system optimizations.

### **3.4.1 GAS PHASE INTERACTIONS BETWEEN DOPAMINE AND DIFFERENT CONFORMERS OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

Gas phase minimizations were performed to see if dopamine was capable of forming binding interactions with the amino acid side chains in the **HHQK** and **LVFF** regions of the  $\beta$ -amyloid peptide.

#### ***3.4.1.1 SELECTION OF INITIAL ORIENTATIONS FOR OPTIMIZATION***

Results from previous research have indicated that the optimal initial distance to separate a molecule of interest from the  $\beta$ -amyloid peptide is 3.0 Å: this distance is close enough that both attractive forces and repulsive forces can be exerted by the protein on

the molecule, which may not occur if they are separated by larger distances. The number of systems minimized depended on the location of the amino acids side chains in the **HHQK** and **LVFF** regions of interest; some of these were too far apart for dopamine to interact with. The systems were set up such that any two of the three functional groups on dopamine were oriented in a way where they could interact with two different amino acid side chains in the selected A $\beta$  regions.

### **3.4.1.2 OPTIMIZATION OF THE GAS PHASE SYSTEMS**

The potential binding systems were all modelled in the QUANTA program using the CHARMM force field [47, 48, 50]. Systems were set up following the above procedure, the protein backbone was constrained to prevent self interactions, and then the systems were subjected to minimization first via the steepest descent algorithm and then the conjugate gradient algorithm. These optimized systems were saved for future reference and then examined for measurable binding interactions that may have occurred between dopamine and the  $\beta$ -amyloid peptide. The systems were also imported into MOE to determine if aromatic type interactions were occurring [47].

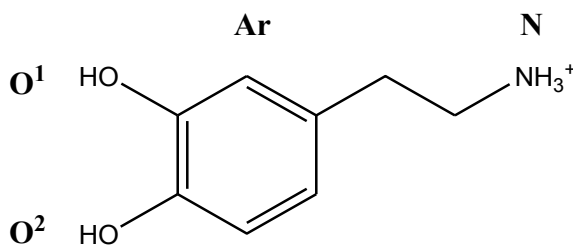
The relative favourability was determined by calculating the binding energy of each system using the following formula:

$$\Delta E_{\text{bind}} = E_{A\beta\text{dopa}} - E_{A\beta} - E_{\text{dopa}} \quad (3.5)$$

Where the total binding energy is equal to the energy of the optimized  $\beta$ -amyloid-dopamine system,  $E_{A\beta\text{dopa}}$ , minus the individual contributions of separately optimized dopamine,  $E_{\text{dopa}}$ , and  $\beta$ -amyloid,  $E_{A\beta}$ . The protein energies are given in Appendix 6.

### 3.4.2 GAS PHASE RESULTS OF DOPAMINE INTERACTING WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID

The main results of the gas phase optimizations of dopamine interacting with different conformations of  $\beta$ -amyloid are summarized in the following tables according to the  $\beta$ -amyloid conformer. The initial and final binding orientations of the systems are given, with the amino acid side chains represented by their single letter abbreviation and the location in the peptide sequence. The dopamine functional groups are represented by Ar for the aromatic ring, N for the  $\text{NH}_3^+$  group, and the two OH groups are represented by  $\text{O}^1$  and  $\text{O}^2$  where  $\text{O}^1$  is *meta* to the ethylamine (Figure 3.3).



**Figure 3.3: Identification of the functional groups on dopamine**

The results for each  $\text{A}\beta$  conformer minimized with dopamine in the gas phase are given in Tables 3.17-3.22. Interactions in the **HHQK** and LVFF regions as well as overlapping possibilities between the two are shown for each system. The number of measureable bonds varied for each system with eight for the 1AMB conformer, eight for 1AMC, eight for 1AML, six systems for 1BA4, ten for 1IYT and six for the 1Z0Q  $\text{A}\beta$  conformer.

Systems where measureable bonds were present did not always correlate to have the most energetically favourable interactions, therefore the selection of which of these systems would be subjected to solution phase optimization was based on different criteria. For each of the  $\text{A}\beta$  conformers that were optimized with dopamine, six systems

were selected for minimization in a solvated environment. These six systems had the lowest overall binding energies and the potential to interact with two different amino acid side chains within the specified regions of  $\beta$ -amyloid.

**Table 3.17: Gas phase results of dopamine interacting with the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation								Final Orientation										$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Measureable
H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	X	(kcal/mol)	Bonds	
Ar	N							O <sup>2</sup>	N			O <sup>1</sup>					-11.12	3	
N	Ar							O <sup>2</sup>	N							Ar/O <sup>1</sup>	-11.20	0	
Ar			N					Ar			N	N					-10.34	1	
N			Ar					N			O <sup>2</sup>						-9.46	1	
				N			Ar					N			O <sup>2</sup>		-9.31	0	
				Ar								Ar/O <sup>2</sup>			N/Ar		-10.42	1	
					Ar		N							O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>			-6.39	0	
					N	Ar						Ar			O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup> /Ar		-9.16	0	
Ar				N				Ar/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>				N					-11.44	1	
N				Ar				Ar/N				C/O <sup>2</sup>					-8.02	0	
			Ar	N				Ar/N			O <sup>2</sup> /Ar	N/Ar					-9.59	1	
			N	Ar							N/Ar	O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>			Ar/O <sup>2</sup>		-10.71	1	
			Ar				N	O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>			O <sup>1</sup>	O <sup>2</sup>			N		-7.30	1	
			N				Ar	N			N/Ar				O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>		-5.51	0	

**Table 3.18: Gas phase results of dopamine interacting with the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation								Final Orientation										$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Measureable
H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	X	(kcal/mol)	Bonds	
Ar	N							O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>	N			O <sup>1</sup>				Ar	-14.99	1	
N	Ar							N	O <sup>2</sup>							Ar/O <sup>1</sup>	-16.06	2	
N			Ar					N/Ar			Ar/O <sup>1</sup>					O <sup>2</sup>	-9.10	3	
Ar			N					Ar/N									-13.32	1	
				N			Ar					N			Ar/O <sup>1</sup>		-9.13	0	
				Ar								Ar/O <sup>1</sup>			N		-8.30	0	
					N	Ar								N	O <sup>2</sup>		-6.95	0	
					Ar	N									N		-5.58	0	
Ar				N				Ar				N					-6.93	1	
N				Ar				N/Ar				Ar/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>					-11.03	2	
			Ar	N				O <sup>2</sup>			Ar/O <sup>2</sup>	N/Ar					-8.95	1	
			N	Ar				O <sup>1</sup>			N	Ar/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>					-9.59	0	
			N				Ar				N				O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>		-5.38	0	
			Ar				N				Ar/O <sup>2</sup>	Ar			N/Ar		-9.28	2	



**Table 3.19: Gas phase results of dopamine interacting with the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation								Final Orientation								$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Measurable	
H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	X	(kcal/mol)	Bonds
N	Ar							N	O <sup>1</sup>			O <sup>1</sup>				Ar	-17.73	2
Ar	N							O <sup>2</sup>	N							Ar/O <sup>1</sup>	-14.37	0
Ar		N						O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>		N							-9.45	0
N		Ar						N		O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>							-6.89	1
			Ar				N			O <sup>1</sup>	O <sup>2</sup>			Ar/N	O <sup>2</sup>		-21.04	2
			N				Ar				N			O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>			-8.09	0
						N	Ar							N	O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>	N	-7.60	0
						Ar	N							O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>	N		-4.95	0
		N				Ar				N				O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>			-4.90	0
		Ar				N				O <sup>1</sup>				N			-4.93	1
		Ar					N			O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>	N		Ar	N			-10.72	1
		N					Ar			N/Ar/O <sup>1</sup>			Ar	O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>			-14.84	2
N							Ar		N	O <sup>1</sup>				O <sup>2</sup>	Ar		-17.64	1
Ar							N		O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>					N	Ar		-12.22	1

**Table 3.20: Gas phase results of dopamine interacting with the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation								Final Orientation								$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Measurable	
H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	X	(kcal/mol)	Bonds
N	Ar							N	Ar	O <sup>1</sup>							-12.16	2
Ar	N							O <sup>1</sup>	N/Ar	O <sup>2</sup>							-11.01	2
			Ar				N					Ar/O <sup>2</sup>		Ar/N			-12.70	1
			N				Ar					N		O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>			-11.31	0
	N		Ar						N			Ar/O <sup>1</sup>					-8.94	1
	Ar		N						Ar/O <sup>1</sup>			N					-13.43	0
		Ar				N					O <sup>2</sup>			N	O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>		-13.36	3
		N				Ar					N		Ar		Ar		-17.51	1

**Table 3.21: Gas phase results of dopamine interacting with the 11YT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation								Final Orientation								$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Measureable	
H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	X	(kcal/mol)	Bonds
Ar	N							O <sup>2</sup>	N/O <sup>1</sup>			Ar/O <sup>1</sup>					-10.78	0
N	Ar							N	O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>			Ar				O <sup>1</sup>	-10.88	3
N			Ar					N			O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>				Ar/O <sup>1</sup>		-11.38	2
Ar			N					O <sup>2</sup>			N				Ar/N		-11.23	1
				N			Ar								O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>	O <sup>1</sup>	-8.83	0
				Ar								O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>			Ar/N		-8.15	1
					Ar		N				O <sup>2</sup>			O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>	N		-7.69	0
						Ar	N				Ar/O <sup>1</sup>			N	O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>	Ar	-10.52	0
Ar				N				Ar/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>				N					-6.46	1
N				Ar				N				O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>					-7.08	1
	Ar			N					Ar/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>			N				O <sup>1</sup>	-9.15	2
	N			Ar					N			Ar/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>		Ar	O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>		-6.78	0
N							Ar	N							Ar/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>		-8.85	1
Ar							N	Ar/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>			N	Ar			Ar/N		-11.94	0
			Ar								Ar/O <sup>2</sup>			Ar/O <sup>2</sup>	Ar/N		-6.16	0
			N												O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>		-5.99	0
			N			Ar					N			Ar/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>	O <sup>1</sup>		-6.84	1
			Ar			N					O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>			Ar/N/O <sup>2</sup>	Ar	Ar	-6.34	1

**Table 3.22: Gas phase results of dopamine interacting with the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation								Final Orientation								$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Measureable	
H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	X	(kcal/mol)	Bonds
N	Ar							N	O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>							N	-11.55	2
Ar	N							Ar/O <sup>2</sup>	N			O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>				N	-16.98	0
	Ar		N					Ar	O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>		N						-14.44	0
	N		Ar						N		O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>	O <sup>2</sup>					-5.94	0
Ar			N					Ar/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>			N					O <sup>2</sup>	-10.75	2
N			Ar					N/Ar			Ar/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>						-11.46	3
				Ar		N						Ar/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>		N	N		-12.69	0
				N		Ar						N		Ar/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>	Ar/O <sup>1</sup>		-7.65	0
				N			Ar								O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>		-5.28	0
				Ar								Ar/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>			N		-9.77	1
						Ar	N							Ar/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>	N		-8.65	0
						N	Ar							N	Ar/N/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>		-7.72	0
			Ar	N							O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>	N/Ar					-8.57	1
			N	Ar							N	O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>					-5.89	0
			Ar			N				N	N/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>					Ar	-18.50	5
			N			Ar								O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>			-12.35	0
	Ar			N							N	O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>					-8.51	0
							Ar				O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>						-9.48	0

The six selected systems from each conformer selected for optimization in a solvated environment are summarized in Table 3.23.

**Table 3.23: Selected interactions of dopamine interacting with  $\beta$ -amyloid for optimization in the solution phase**

Interaction	Binding Energy (kcal/mol)	Interaction	Binding Energy (kcal/mol)
<u>1AMB</u>		<u>1BA4</u>	
HArHQKLN	-11.44	KNLVFAr	-17.51
HNHAr	-11.20	HArQKLN	-13.43
HArHN	-11.12	KArLVFN	-13.36
KNLAr	-10.71	LArVFFN	-12.70
LArVFFN	-10.42	HNHAr	-12.16
HArHQKN	-10.34	LNvFFAr	-11.31
<u>1AMC</u>		<u>1IYT</u>	
HNHAr	-16.06	HArHQKLvFFN	-11.94
HArHN	-14.99	HNHQKAr	-11.38
HNHQKLAr	-11.03	HArHQKN	-11.23
KArLVFFN	-9.28	HNHAr	-10.88
LNvFFAr	-9.13	HArHN	-10.78
HNHQKAr	-9.10	HArHQKLN	-6.46
<u>1AML</u>		<u>1Z0Q</u>	
HNHAr	-17.73	KArLVFN	-18.50
HNHQKLvFFAr	-17.64	HArHN	-16.98
KNLVFFAr	-14.84	HArQKN	-14.44
HArHN	-14.37	LArVFN	-12.69
HArHQKLvFFN	-12.22	HNHAr	-11.55
KArLVFFN	-10.72	HNHQKAr	-11.46

### 3.4.3 SOLUTION PHASE RESULTS FOR DOPAMINE INTERACTING WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID

Upon completion of the gas phase optimizations, six of the resulting energetically favourable interactions between dopamine and  $\beta$ -amyloid were selected from each A $\beta$  conformer for solution phase minimizations. Using these initial gas phase optimized systems allowed for more efficient solution phase calculations. The solution phase optimizations were also performed in QUANTA using the CHARMM force field [46, 48, 50]. The same procedure as described in section 3.3.3.1 was used for the solution phase optimization of dopamine and  $\beta$ -amyloid systems.

The final energies for the binding interactions were calculated using the energies listed in Table 3.24 and Appendix 6 via the following equations:

$$\Delta E_{\text{tot}} = E_{\text{tot}} - E_{\text{A}\beta} - E_{\text{dopa}} \quad (3.6)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{ele}} = E_{\text{ele}} - E_{\text{eleA}\beta} - E_{\text{eledopa}} \quad (3.7)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}} = E_{\text{vdw}} - E_{\text{vdwA}\beta} - E_{\text{vdwdopa}} \quad (3.8)$$

where the energies of the solution phase optimized  $\beta$ -amyloid conformers and the dopamine molecule were subtracted from the total energies of the optimized system for each of the overall total energy, the electrostatic energy and the van der Waals energy of the systems. The energies were measured with the solvent contributions ignored.

**Table 3.24: Total energies of dopamine in the solution phase**

	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$
Dopamine	1.89	-1.40	-0.31

All of the resulting minimized systems were examined in MOE after optimization in QUANTA to determine where, if any, cation- $\pi$  or  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions are occurring [46, 47].

The results of the solution phase optimizations of the dopamine-A $\beta$  systems have been summarized in tables for each conformation of  $\beta$ -amyloid. Initial and final binding orientations are given along with the three calculated energies: the total binding energy, electrostatic binding energy and van der Waals binding energy. Any measureable binding interactions that occurred are indicated according to the following colour scheme: hydrogen-bonds are coloured orange, cation- $\pi$  interactions are green and  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions

are blue. Interactions occurring outside the **HHQK** and LVFF regions of interest are also indicated according to the amino acid side chain with which binding may be occurring. As in the gas phase calculations, the amino acids are represented in single letter notation with the respective site number on the peptide chain and the dopamine functional groups are represented by N, Ar, O<sup>1</sup> and O<sup>2</sup> for the amino group, the aromatic ring, the OH *meta* to the ethylamine chain and the OH *para* to the ethylamine chain, respectively.

The results of the solution phase optimizations between dopamine and the 1AMB conformer of A $\beta$  are indicated in Table 3.25. All six optimized systems had measureable bonds and favourable binding energies, with the electrostatic and van der Waals energies being very similar in range. Two of the systems had potential binding interactions at His13 and His14. The other two systems exhibited potential binding interactions at both Lys16 and Phe20, one of which can also interact at Leu17 and Phe20.

The results of the solution phase minimized systems of dopamine and the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid are given in Table 3.26. Five of the six systems demonstrated measureable binding interactions and two had potential interactions at His13 and His14 while one had potential interactions at Lys16 and Phe20 as well as two at Leu17 and Phe20. The total binding energies are favourable; however, the van der Waals energies are significantly lower than the electrostatic energies.

Table 3.27 summarizes the results of the optimization of dopamine and the 1AML conformer of A $\beta$  in a solvated environment. Four of the final systems contained measureable binding interactions. Overall the binding energies are very favourable with the exception of one system, with the electrostatic binding energies being much weaker

than the van der Waals binding energies. Two systems have potential interactions at His13 and His14, two at Leu17 and Phe20, and one at Lys16 and Phe20.

The results of the solution phase optimization of dopamine with the 1BA4 conformer are detailed in Table 3.28. While four of the six systems have measureable bonds forming, the binding energies are very unfavourable; however, the van der Waals energies are still significantly lower than the electrostatic energies. There are two systems presenting possible binding at both Leu17 and Phe20 and one at His13 and His14.

**Table 3.25: The solution phase results of dopamine interacting with the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Y10	Amino Acid								$E_{tot}$ kcal/mol	$E_{ele}$ kcal/mol	$E_{vdw}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{tot}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{ele}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{vdw}$ kcal/mol
		H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20						
Initial Orientation					N/Ar*	O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>			Ar						
Final Orientation					N/Ar*	O <sup>2</sup>			O <sup>2</sup>	-376.03	-288.44	-177.60	-63.39	-16.60	-15.01
Initial Orientation					Ar/O <sup>2</sup>				Ar/N*						
Final Orientation					Ar/O <sup>2</sup>				N	-382.25	-284.97	-187.26	-69.61	-13.14	-24.67
Initial Orientation		O <sup>2</sup>	N					O <sup>1</sup>							
Final Orientation		O <sup>2</sup>	N					O <sup>1</sup>		-376.35	-283.25	-181.39	-63.72	-11.42	-18.8
Initial Orientation	Ar/O <sup>1</sup>	O <sup>2</sup>	N												
Final Orientation	Ar	N	Ar							-376.87	-287.27	-181.26	-64.23	-15.44	-18.67
Initial Orientation		Ar			N	N									
Final Orientation		Ar			N					-377.47	-285.45	-182.72	-64.84	-13.62	-20.13
Initial Orientation		Ar*/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>						N							
Final Orientation		Ar			Ar	N				-376.77	-285.28	-181.80	-64.13	13.45	-19.21

\*Indicates the functional group involved in the specified interaction that is occurring

**Table 3.26: The solution phase results of dopamine interacting with the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Y10	E11	Amino Acid							$E_{tot}$ kcal/mol	$E_{ele}$ kcal/mol	$E_{vdw}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{tot}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{ele}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{vdw}$ kcal/mol
			H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19						
Initial Orientation	Ar	O <sup>1</sup>	N	O <sup>1</sup>											
Final Orientation	Ar	O <sup>1</sup>	N	Ar				N							
Initial Orientation	Ar		O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>	N											
Final Orientation	Ar		O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>	N				O <sup>1</sup>							
Initial Orientation			N/Ar					Ar/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>							
Final Orientation			N/Ar					Ar/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>							
Initial Orientation							Ar/O <sup>2</sup> *	Ar							
Final Orientation							Ar/O <sup>2</sup> *	Ar							
Initial Orientation								N							
Final Orientation								N							
Initial Orientation			N/Ar				Ar/O <sup>2</sup> *								
Final Orientation			N/Ar				Ar/O <sup>2</sup>								

\*Indicates the functional group involved in the specified interaction that is occurring

**Table 3.27: The solution phase results of dopamine interacting with the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Y10	Amino Acid									$E_{tot}$ kcal/mol	$E_{ele}$ kcal/mol	$E_{vdw}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{tot}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{ele}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{vdw}$ kcal/mol
		H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	A30						
Initial Orientation					O <sup>1</sup>	O <sup>2</sup>		Ar*/N	O <sup>2</sup>							
Final Orientation					O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>	O <sup>2</sup>		Ar*/N	Ar							
Initial Orientation	Ar	N	O <sup>1</sup>						Ar							
Final Orientation	Ar	N*/Ar	O <sup>1</sup>						Ar/N							
Initial Orientation		N			O <sup>1</sup>				Ar							
Final Orientation						O <sup>1</sup>			Ar							
Initial Orientation					N/Ar/O <sup>1</sup> *			Ar	O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>							
Final Orientation					N				O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>							
Initial Orientation		O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>							N	Ar						
Final Orientation		O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>				N			N	Ar						
Initial Orientation	Ar	O <sup>2</sup>	N							Ar/O <sup>1</sup>						
Final Orientation	Ar/N	Ar	N			N				Ar						

\*Indicates the functional group involved in the specified interaction that is occurring

**Table 3.28: The solution phase results of dopamine interacting with the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Amino Acid										$E_{tot}$ kcal/mol	$E_{ele}$ kcal/mol	$E_{vdw}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{tot}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{ele}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{vdw}$ kcal/mol
	D1	E3	E11	H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19						
Initial Orientation			Ar				N			Ar						
Final Orientation			N				N			Ar						
Initial Orientation			O <sup>2</sup>	O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>			O <sup>2</sup>			N						
Final Orientation	Ar		Ar				O <sup>2</sup>			N						
Initial Orientation									Ar/O <sup>2</sup>							
Final Orientation									O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>							
Initial Orientation				N	Ar	O <sup>1</sup>										
Final Orientation				N	Ar	O <sup>1</sup>										
Initial Orientation				Ar		Ar	N/Ar									
Final Orientation				O <sup>1</sup>			N									
Initial Orientation											O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>					
Final Orientation											O <sup>1</sup>					

\*Indicates the functional group involved in the specified interaction that is occurring

**Table 3.29: The solution phase results of dopamine interacting with the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Y10	Amino Acid										D23	$E_{tot}$ kcal/mol	$E_{ele}$ kcal/mol	$E_{vdw}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{tot}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{ele}$ kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{vdw}$ kcal/mol
		H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20									
Initial Orientation		O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup> *			N		Ar				Ar/N							
Final Orientation		Ar/O <sup>2</sup> *			N						N							
Initial Orientation		N			O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>						Ar/O <sup>1</sup>							
Final Orientation					O <sup>1</sup>						O <sup>1</sup>							
Initial Orientation		O <sup>2</sup>			N						Ar/N							
Final Orientation		O <sup>2</sup>			N													
Initial Orientation	O <sup>1</sup>	N	O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>				Ar											
Final Orientation	O <sup>1</sup>	N/Ar	O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup> *															
Initial Orientation		O <sup>2</sup>	N/O <sup>1</sup>				Ar/O <sup>1</sup>											
Final Orientation		O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>	N				O <sup>1</sup>											
Initial Orientation						Ar/O <sup>1</sup>		N	O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>	Ar								
Final Orientation						Ar/O <sup>1</sup> *		N	O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>	Ar								

\*Indicates the functional group involved in the specified interaction that is occurring



**Table 3.30: The solution phase results of dopamine interacting with the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	G9 Y10 V12			Amino Acid							$E_{tot}$	$E_{ele}$	$E_{vdw}$	$\Delta E_{tot}$	$\Delta E_{ele}$	$\Delta E_{vdw}$	
				H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	F19	F20	kcal/mol	kcal/mol	kcal/mol	kcal/mol	kcal/mol	kcal/mol
Initial Orientation		Ar				N	N/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>				N						
Final Orientation				O <sup>1</sup>		N	O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>				N	-463.78	-376.21	-250.41	-16.99	-7.88	-13.01
Initial Orientation		N		Ar/O <sup>2</sup>	N					O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>							
Final Orientation				O <sup>2</sup>	N					O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>		-478.04	-372.78	-252.32	-31.26	-4.45	-14.93
Initial Orientation				Ar	O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>		N										
Final Orientation					O <sup>2</sup>		N					-467.86	-368.81	-254.28	-21.07	-0.48	-16.88
Initial Orientation									Ar/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>		N						
Final Orientation									O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>		N	-470.21	-372.08	-245.72	-23.42	-3.75	-8.32
Initial Orientation	N			N	O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup>												
Final Orientation				N	O <sup>2</sup>							-464.12	-365.87	-252.68	-17.34	2.46	-15.28
Initial Orientation				N/Ar			Ar/O <sup>1</sup> /O <sup>2</sup> *										
Final Orientation	N			N			Ar					-459.77	-370.62	-244.19	-12.99	-2.29	-6.79

\*Indicates the functional group involved in the specified interaction that is occurring

Table 3.29 gives the results of the solution phase optimization of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid interacting with dopamine. Four of the six systems have measureable binding interactions. Three have binding occurring at both Lys16 and Phe20 and two at His13 and His14. The binding energies are only slightly favourable, and the electrostatic energies are very similar to the van der Waals energies.

The results of the solution phase minimizations of dopamine interacting with the 1Z0Q conformer of A $\beta$  are listed in Table 3.30. Only two of the six systems had measureable binding interactions, and both also had the least favourable binding energies of them. Van der Waals energies are more favourable than electrostatic energies, and two systems had potential interactions at both His13 and His14. There is also one system that presents potential binding at Leu17 and Phe20. The overall binding energies were only moderately favourable relative to the other systems.

#### 3.4.4 CONCLUSIONS OF DOPAMINE INTERACTING WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID.

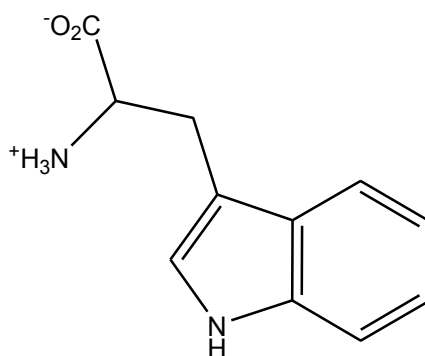
Overall the solution phase optimization of dopamine interacting with various conformations of  $\beta$ -amyloid indicates that binding interactions can occur. Some conformations showed less favourable energies of interactions than others, but measureable binding interactions were still formed. Cation- $\pi$  interactions are slightly more prevalent than hydrogen bonding interactions, with very few  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions formed. Potential interactions occur most often at both the His13 and His14 side chains in the **HHQK** region, in eleven of the systems in total. Interactions at both Leu17 and Phe20 are most common in the LVFF region with nine of the twenty-four final systems demonstrating potential binding at these sites. Interactions can also occur at Lys16 and Phe20 overlapping both **HHQK** and LVFF regions, as demonstrated in eight of the final systems.

As seen in the phenylalanine results, there does not appear to be a direct correlation between the number of measureable binding interactions and the energetic favourability of the systems. Despite this lack of correlation, these results suggest dopamine is capable of binding to and interacting with the  $\beta$ -amyloid peptide in both regions of interest. This implies that if dopamine levels are prevented from decreasing as part of the disease process, these higher dopamine concentrations could potentially prevent  $\beta$ -amyloid aggregation from occurring.

#### 3.5 TRYPTOPHAN AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID

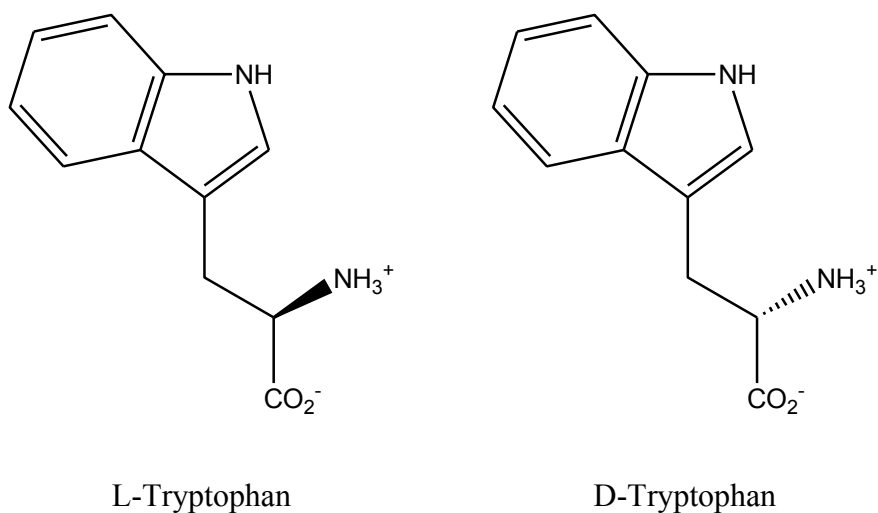
Another amino acid identified in the virtual library for having the potential to interact with the **BBXB** region of A $\beta$  is tryptophan. Tryptophan (Figure 3.4) is one of the

amino acids involved in protein synthesis and is only obtained through diet and not synthesized in the body [86]. Tryptophan can exert an effect on neurotransmitters such as dopamine (increased tryptophan levels result in increased dopamine levels) and its metabolites can also affect the activity of neurotransmitters [86].



**Figure 3.4 Tryptophan charged for physiological pH**

Both L-tryptophan and D-tryptophan (Figure 3.5) were studied for their potential to interact with the **HHQK** region of  $\beta$ -amyloid. *In silico* studies examined potential binding in both gas phase and solution phase environments using MOE [87].



**Figure 3.5: L-tryptophan and D-tryptophan**

### 3.5.1 PREPARATION OF THE $\beta$ -AMYLOID CONFORMERS FOR OPTIMIZATION

The protein structures were reoptimized as the optimizations being performed were taking place in the Molecular Operating Environment instead of QUANTA like the previous calculations, as MOE provided a more complete program environment for the studies [46, 87]. For each of the 1AMB, 1AMC, 1AML, and 1BA4 conformations, the histidine residues were protonated, the charges of the system were corrected, the backbone was constrained and the system was minimized [68, 69, 70, 71]. For the 1IYT conformer, the carboxylate groups needed to be deprotonated, then the system charges were corrected, the protein backbone constrained and minimization was performed [72]. For the 1Z0Q conformer, hydrogen atoms needed to be added to the whole system, and the terminal carboxylate residue needed to be fixed; system charges were fixed for the force field and then the protein backbone was constrained before optimization occurred [75]. The total energy for each conformation with the constrained protein backbone is summarized in Appendix 6 and these optimizations were performed in the gas phase.

### 3.5.2 GAS PHASE INTERACTIONS BETWEEN D- AND L-TRYPTOPHAN AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID

D- and L-tryptophan were examined for their potential to bind to the **HHQK** region of A $\beta$  in the gas phase using the CHARMM22 force field [44, 47]. Initially optimizations were performed between the tryptophan stereoisomers and an isolated **VHHQKL** segment of A $\beta$ ; however, these results were inconclusive. It seems likely that the lack of surrounding amino acids left the **HHQK** region too exposed and provided less stability for interactions to occur. It was determined that the whole protein would therefore be best for the calculations.

### 3.5.2.1 PREPARATION OF D- AND L-TRYPTOPHAN FOR OPTIMIZATION

D-Tryptophan and L-tryptophan were first constructed in a neutrally charged form in a gas phase environment. Each structure was then subjected to a systematic conformational search based on torsional rotations. The lowest energy conformer was selected for each stereoisomer and then charged for physiological pH before minimization. The overall energies for these molecules are summarized in Table 3.31. The total energies of these systems were identical, with very slight variations in the electrostatic and van der Waals energies.

**Table 3.31: Gas phase energies of D- and L-tryptophan**

	Total Energy (kcal/mol)
D-tryptophan	8.05
L-tryptophan	8.05

### 3.5.2.2 SELECTION OF INITIAL ORIENTATIONS FOR OPTIMIZATION OF TRYPTOPHAN AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID

There are three regions on tryptophan capable of interacting with the charged region of **HHQK** on A $\beta$ : The indole group, the positively charged amino group and the negatively charged carboxylate group. Each system was set up such that either the carboxylate group and the indole, or the amino group and the indole were situated approximately 3.0 Å from two of the positively charged amino acids in **HHQK**. Every possible initial orientation was determined, but there are spatial limitations for some of the protein conformations that prevented their usage.

### 3.5.2.3 OPTIMIZATION OF THE GAS PHASE SYSTEMS

In these gas phase optimizations the protein backbone was constrained for the systems to prevent structural collapse from occurring. Minimization in MOE follows the pattern detailed in Section 1.1.4.3. The final energies for each optimized system were noted as well as any binding interactions that were occurring. The total binding energy for each system was calculated using the following equation:

$$\Delta E_{\text{bind}} = E_{\text{trpA}\beta} - E_{\text{trp}} - E_{\text{A}\beta} \quad (3.9)$$

Here the overall binding energy,  $\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ , is the result of subtracting the individual energies of the optimized A $\beta$  protein,  $E_{\text{A}\beta}$ , and tryptophan,  $E_{\text{trp}}$ , from the energy of the optimized system.

### 3.5.3 GAS PHASE RESULTS OF THE OPTIMIZATION OF D-TRYPTOPHAN AND L-TRYPTOPHAN WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID

The results of the gas phase optimizations of D- and L-tryptophan with A $\beta$  are summarized in the following tables. For the sake of clarity, the indole group has been abbreviated to In, the amino group to N and the carboxylate group to C. Each table denotes the initial orientation in which the functional groups were located, the final orientation, the overall binding energy, and the number of measurable bonds that formed. The measured bonds have been split into hydrogen bonds, and aromatic type interactions: cation- $\pi$ , and  $\pi$ - $\pi$ . The amino acids are identified by their three letter abbreviation, and any interaction occurring outside of the **HHQK** region is listed as “other”.

Table 3.32 summarizes the results of the tryptophan stereoisomers with the 1AMB conformer of A $\beta$ . L-tryptophan was capable of binding to **HHQK** in more

situations than D-tryptophan. Measurable bonds formed in nine of the sixteen systems.

The four systems where binding occurred at two or more of the **HHQK** side chains were selected for optimization in the solution phase.

Table 3.33 summarizes the results of D- and L-tryptophan interacting with the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid. Measurable bonds have formed in seven of the sixteen systems, and both D- and L-tryptophan are capable of binding to/interacting with multiple sites within the **HHQK** region. Therefore, the four systems with the lowest energy and multiple binding interactions were selected for solution phase optimizations.

**Table 3.32: The gas phase results of D- and L-tryptophan interacting with the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation					$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ (kcal/mol)	Measureable Bonds		
	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Other		H-Bond	$+\pi$	
D-Tryptophan	In	C				C					-36.63	0	0
	C	In			C	In			In		-45.63	0	1
	In	N				N			In		-35.54	0	1
	N	In				In					-21.92	0	0
	C			In	In						-31.93	0	0
	In			C				C			-31.51	1	0
	N			In	C						-32.58	0	0
	In			N				C			-26.35	1	0
L-Tryptophan	In	C				C			In		-25.14	0	0
	C	In			C	In					-38.13	0	0
	In	N			N						-51.62	0	1
	N	In				In					-33.78	0	2
	C			In	C			In			-32.51	0	1
	In			C	In			C	C		-33.67	1	0
	N			In	-	-	-	-	-		-26.12	0	0
	In			N				C	In		-23.85	0	0

**Table 3.33: The gas phase results of D- and L-tryptophan interacting with the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation					$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ (kcal/mol)	Measureable Bonds	
	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Other		H-Bond	$\pm\pi$
D-Tryptophan	N	In				In			N	-51.86	0	0
	In	N				N			C	-41.11	1	0
	C	In			C	In			In/C	-42.66	0	1
	In	C				C			In/C	-38.22	0	0
	N			In	-	-	-	-	-	-33.98	0	0
	In			N				C	In	-46.20	1	0
	C			In	C			In		-30.99	0	1
	In			C	In			C		-32.50	2	0
L-Tryptophan	N	In				In			C	-33.69	1	0
	In	N						N	In	-36.84	0	0
	C	In			C	In				-36.09	0	0
	In	C				C			In	-28.38	0	0
	N			In	C			In	In	-38.33	0	0
	In			N	-	-	-	-	-	-32.19	0	0
	C			In	C					-36.01	0	0
	In			C	In			C	C	-34.80	1	0

**Table 3.34: The gas phase results of D- and L-tryptophan interacting with the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation					$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ (kcal/mol)	Measureable Bonds	
	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Other		H-Bond	$\pi$ - $\pi$
D-Tryptophan	In	N			C				In	-42.15	0	0
	N	In			C				N	-43.21	0	0
	C	In			C				In/C	-40.08	0	0
	In	C				C			In/C	-45.90	0	0
	N			In	C					-25.35	0	0
	In			N				C		-21.77	1	0
	C			In	C					-29.18	1	0
	In			C	In			C		-33.84	0	0
L-Tryptophan	In	N			-	-	-	-	-	-28.59	0	0
	N	In			C				In	-44.01	0	2
	C	In			C				In	-44.62	0	2
	In	C			In	C			C	-50.11	0	0
	N			In	C					-22.99	0	0
	In			N	In					-12.44	0	0
	C			In	C			In		-32.24	0	0
	In			C				C		-30.62	1	0



**Table 3.35: The gas phase results of D- and L-tryptophan interacting with the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation				$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ (kcal/mol)	Measureable Bonds	
	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16		H-Bond	$\pm\pi$
D-Tryptophan	In	C				C			-21.32	0	0
	C	In			C	In			-29.10	0	0
	In	N			In	C			-27.24	0	1
	N	In			N	In			-23.94	0	2
L-Tryptophan	In	C			In			C	-36.06	1	0
	C	In			C	In			-30.62	0	0
	In	N			In				-24.94	0	0
	N	In				In			-24.10	0	0

**Table 3.36: The gas phase results of D- and L-tryptophan interacting with the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation					$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ (kcal/mol)	Measureable Bonds	
	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Other		H-Bond	$\pm\pi$
D-Tryptophan	N	In			N	In			In	-23.57	0	2
	In	N			In					-19.12	0	0
	In	C			In					-28.52	0	0
	C	In			C	In				-31.07	0	0
	In			N	In				In	-25.89	0	0
	N			In				In		-12.77	0	0
	In			C	In			C		-30.26	1	0
	C			In	C					-30.04	0	0
L-Tryptophan	N	In			N	In			In	-25.20	0	1
	In	N			In					-38.01	0	0
	C	In			In				In	-43.10	0	0
	In	C			C					-24.82	0	0
	In			N	In			C		-32.00	0	0
	N			In	C			In		-27.06	1	1
	In			C				C	N	-38.01	0	0
	C			In	C			In		-29.87	0	0

**Table 3.37: The gas phase results of D- and L-tryptophan interacting with the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation					$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ (kcal/mol)	Measureable Bonds	
	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Other		H-Bond	$+\pi$
D-Tryptophan	In	N			In				In	-26.71	0	0
	N	In			-	-	-	-	-	-21.14	0	0
	In	C				C				-29.97	0	0
	C	In			-	-	-	-	-	-31.37	0	0
	In			N	In					-21.36	0	0
	N			In	-	-	-	-	-	-22.68	0	0
	In			C	In			C		-26.10	2	0
	C			In	C			In		-27.00	0	0
L-Tryptophan	In	N			In				In	-27.66	0	0
	N	In			C				In	-36.78	0	0
	In	C				C				-32.04	0	0
	C	In			C	In				-32.76	1	0
	In			N	In			C		-25.05	1	0
	N			In	C/In					-23.32	0	0
	In			C	In			C		-25.53	1	0
	C			In	C					-30.36	0	0

The results in Table 3.34 summarize the results of tryptophan interacting with the 1AML conformer of  $A\beta$ . Measurable interactions only formed in five of the sixteen systems, and binding at two or more sites in **HHQK** only occurred in three systems; these three plus one more system with the lowest overall energy were selected for solution phase optimization.

The interactions of tryptophan with the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid are summarized in Table 3.35 and show measured interactions in three of the eight systems. Multiple binding interactions at **HHQK** were noted, particularly for D-tryptophan. The four systems with the most favourable energy as well as binding at two sites within **HHQK** were selected for optimization in a solvated environment.

Table 3.36 demonstrates that when D- and L-tryptophan interact with the 1IYT conformer of A $\beta$ , measured interactions only form in four of the sixteen systems. Both D-tryptophan and L-tryptophan demonstrated the capacity to bind to more than one residue in **HHQK**, and from these the four with the lowest energies were selected for solution phase calculations.

The results of the gas phase optimizations of D-tryptophan and L-tryptophan with the 1Z0Q conformer are given in Table 3.37. Only four systems had measured interactions but seven systems demonstrated binding at two sites in **HHQK**. L-tryptophan interacted more favourably with **HHQK** than D-tryptophan, but both were capable of binding to the region. The four systems with multiple binding interactions and the lowest overall energies were selected for optimization. These selected configurations are summarized in Table 3.38

**Table 3.38: Selected systems of D- and L-tryptophan for solution phase optimization**

Interaction	Binding Energy (kcal/mol)	Interaction	Binding Energy (kcal/mol)
<b>1AMB</b>		<b>1BA4</b>	
D-HCHIn	-45.63	L-HInHC	-36.06
L-HCHIn	-38.13	L-HCHIn	-30.62
L-HInHQKC	-33.67	D-HCHIn	-29.10
L-HCHQKIn	-32.51	D-HInHN	-27.24
<b>1AMC</b>		<b>1IYT</b>	
D-HCHIn	-42.66	L-HInHQKN	-32.00
L-HNHQKIn	-38.33	D-HCHIn	-31.07
L-HCHIn	-36.09	D-HInHQKC	-30.26
L-HInHQKC	-34.79	L-HCHQKIn	-29.87
<b>1AML</b>		<b>1Z0Q</b>	
L-HInHC	-50.11	L-HNHIn	-36.78
D-HInHC	-45.90	L-HInHN	-32.76
D-HInHQKC	-33.84	L-HCHIn	-27.66
L-HCHQKIn	-32.24	D-HCHQKIn	-27.00

### **3.5.4 SOLUTION PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF D-TRYPTOPHAN AND L-TRYPTOPHAN WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

From the optimized gas phase results of D-tryptophan and L-tryptophan with  $\beta$ -amyloid, four systems from each A $\beta$  conformer were selected for solution phase optimization. Solution phase optimizations were performed in MOE using the CHARMM22 force field [48, 87].

#### ***3.5.4.1 SOLVATION AND MINIMIZATION SET-UP FOR D- AND L-TRYPTOPHAN AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID***

Each of the selected gas phase systems was used as the starting configuration for the solution phase optimizations. In MOE, there are several different solvation methods available to the user [87]. For these optimizations, explicit solvation was selected to surround the entire system in a box of water molecules. The size of the box varied for each system and could be adjusted as necessary to ensure that the system was completely surrounded by water, and periodic boundary conditions were placed on the box to prevent expansion of the system. Given the presence of water molecules, the protein backbone did not need to be constrained for these calculations. Before optimization of the solvated system, verification was made that the charges for the system were calculated appropriately for the force field.

The individual A $\beta$  proteins conformations, D-tryptophan, and L-tryptophan were also optimized in a solvated environment to provide the energies necessary for calculating the binding energies occurring in the optimized systems. The tryptophan energies are summarized in Table 3.39, and the protein energies are given in Appendix 6.

**Table 3.39: Energies of solvated D-tryptophan and L-tryptophan**

	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$
D-Tryptophan	13.48	11.07	-4.52
L-Tryptophan	12.95	9.29	-4.78

### 3.5.5 SOLUTION PHASE RESULTS OF D-TRYPTOPHAN AND L-TRYPTOPHAN INTERACTING WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID

The results of the solution phase optimizations of the optimized D-tryptophan-A $\beta$  and L-tryptophan-A $\beta$  systems have been summarized in tables for each conformation of  $\beta$ -amyloid. The tables summarize the results by including which conformation of tryptophan was involved in the interaction as well as giving the initial and final binding orientations. The energies of the optimized systems are listed and following are the three calculated energies: the total binding energy, electrostatic binding energy and van der Waals binding energy.

Any measureable interactions that occurred as a result of the optimization are indicated according to the following colour scheme: hydrogen bonds are coloured orange and cation- $\pi$  interactions are green. Interaction occurring between tryptophan and the –CH<sub>2</sub>- region of the amino acids (as opposed to the charged side chain) are shown in indigo. Interactions occurring outside the **HHQK** region of interest are also indicated according to the amino acid side chain where binding may be occurring. The amino acids are represented in single letter notation with the respective site number on the protein chain and the tryptophan functional groups are represented by N, C, and In for the amino group, the carboxylate group, and the indole ring.

The final energies for the binding interactions were calculated using the energies listed in Table 3.39 via the following equations:

$$\Delta E_{\text{tot}} = E_{\text{tot}} - E_{\text{A}\beta} - E_{\text{trp}} \quad (3.10)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{ele}} = E_{\text{ele}} - E_{\text{eleA}\beta} - E_{\text{eletrp}} \quad (3.11)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}} = E_{\text{vdw}} - E_{\text{vdwA}\beta} - E_{\text{vdwtrp}} \quad (3.12)$$

where the energies of the solution phase optimized  $\beta$ -amyloid conformers and the tryptophan molecule were subtracted from the total energies of the optimized system for each of the overall total energy, the electrostatic energy and the van der Waals energy of the systems. These energies were calculated for the systems once the solvent had been removed and the protein backbone was constrained to better show the relationship between tryptophan and  $\beta$ -amyloid. Depending on the nature of the system being examined, the energies for D-tryptophan or L-tryptophan were used as required.

Each system was also examined for the bonding interactions that may have occurred between tryptophan and A $\beta$  following optimization in the solution phase.

Tables 3.40 through 3.45 summarize the results of the solution phase optimization of D-tryptophan and L-tryptophan with the different conformers of  $\beta$ -amyloid.

**Table 3.40: The solution phase results of D- and L-tryptophan interacting with the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

D- or L- Tryptophan		Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
D	Initial Orientation	In	C	In			
	Final Orientation		C	In			
	Total Energy =	-24.63 kcal/mol					
	van der Waals =	56.19 kcal/mol					
	electrostatic =	-236.28 kcal/mol					
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-36.46 kcal/mol					
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-1.65 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-33.76 kcal/mol						
L	Initial Orientation		C	In			
	Final Orientation	C	C	In			
	Total Energy =	-26.54 kcal/mol					
	van der Waals =	47.49 kcal/mol					
	electrostatic =	-238.70 kcal/mol					
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-37.84 kcal/mol					
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-8.57 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-35.93 kcal/mol						
L	Initial Orientation		C			In	
	Final Orientation		C			In	
	Total Energy =	-31.64 kcal/mol					
	van der Waals =	50.74 kcal/mol					
	electrostatic =	-229.32 kcal/mol					
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-42.94 kcal/mol					
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-5.32 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-26.55 kcal/mol						
L	Initial Orientation		In			C	C
	Final Orientation		In			C	
	Total Energy =	-1.82 kcal/mol					
	van der Waals =	57.45 kcal/mol					
	electrostatic =	-221.64 kcal/mol					
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-13.12 kcal/mol					
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	1.39 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-18.87 kcal/mol						

**Table 3.41: The solution phase results of D- and L-tryptophan interacting with the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

D- or L-Tryptophan		Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Phe20
L	Initial Orientation		C			In	In	In
	Final Orientation		C			In	In	In
	Total Energy =	-39.29	kcal/mol					
	van der Waals =	56.91	kcal/mol					
	electrostatic =	-263.30	kcal/mol					
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-25.02	kcal/mol					
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	2.34	kcal/mol					
L	Initial Orientation		C	I				
	Final Orientation	N	C	C				
	Total Energy =	-4.90	kcal/mol					
	van der Waals =	58.35	kcal/mol					
	electrostatic =	-233.26	kcal/mol					
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	9.37	kcal/mol					
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	3.79	kcal/mol					
D	Initial Orientation	In/C	C	In				
	Final Orientation	In/C		In				
	Total Energy =	-63.77	kcal/mol					
	van der Waals =	52.22	kcal/mol					
	electrostatic =	-266.21	kcal/mol					
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-50.03	kcal/mol					
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-4.13	kcal/mol					
L	Initial Orientation		In			C	C	
	Final Orientation		In			C	C	
	Total Energy =	-13.59	kcal/mol					
	van der Waals =	57.59	kcal/mol					
	electrostatic =	-247.56	kcal/mol					
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	0.68	kcal/mol					
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	3.02	kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-22.29	kcal/mol						



**Table 3.42: The solution phase results of D- and L-tryptophan interacting with the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

D- or L- Tryptophan		Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
L	Initial Orientation	C		In	C			
	Final Orientation			In	C			C
	Total Energy =	102.01 kcal/mol						
	van der Waals =	81.00 kcal/mol						
	electrostatic =	-202.40 kcal/mol						
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-37.24 kcal/mol						
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	3.79 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-38.50 kcal/mol							
D	Initial Orientation				C			C
	Final Orientation				C			
	Total Energy =	93.72 kcal/mol						
	van der Waals =	79.61 kcal/mol						
	electrostatic =	-208.03 kcal/mol						
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-46.05 kcal/mol						
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	0.63 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-44.39 kcal/mol							
D	Initial Orientation			In			C	
	Final Orientation			In			C	
	Total Energy =	92.08 kcal/mol						
	van der Waals =	76.51 kcal/mol						
	electrostatic =	-198.97 kcal/mol						
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-47.69 kcal/mol						
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-2.47 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-35.32 kcal/mol							
L	Initial Orientation				C		In	
	Final Orientation		In	C			In	
	Total Energy =	109.42 kcal/mol						
	van der Waals =	84.74 kcal/mol						
	electrostatic =	-190.30 kcal/mol						
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-29.82 kcal/mol						
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	7.53 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-26.39 kcal/mol							

**Table 3.43: The solution phase results of D- and L-tryptophan interacting with the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

D- or L- Tryptophan		His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
L	Initial Orientation	In			C
	Final Orientation	In	C		
	Total Energy =	102.66	kcal/mol		
	van der Waals =	95.50	kcal/mol		
	electrostatic =	-202.78	kcal/mol		
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-48.04	kcal/mol		
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	8.46	kcal/mol		
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-33.28	kcal/mol			
L	Initial Orientation	C	In		
	Final Orientation	C	In		
	Total Energy =	108.75	kcal/mol		
	van der Waals =	76.18	kcal/mol		
	electrostatic =	-195.24	kcal/mol		
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-41.96	kcal/mol		
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-10.86	kcal/mol		
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-25.73	kcal/mol			
D	Initial Orientation	C	In		
	Final Orientation	C	In		
	Total Energy =	100.33	kcal/mol		
	van der Waals =	87.50	kcal/mol		
	electrostatic =	-200.57	kcal/mol		
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-52.15	kcal/mol		
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	0.21	kcal/mol		
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-31.06	kcal/mol			
D	Initial Orientation	In	C		
	Final Orientation	In	C		
	Total Energy =	81.25	kcal/mol		
	van der Waals =	80.64	kcal/mol		
	electrostatic =	-218.37	kcal/mol		
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-71.23	kcal/mol		
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-6.66	kcal/mol		
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-48.86	kcal/mol			

**Table 3.44: The solution phase results of D- and L-tryptophan interacting with the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

D- or L- Tryptophan		Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
D	Initial Orientation		In			C	
	Final Orientation		In			C	
	Total Energy =	101.36	kcal/mol				
	van der Waals =	85.17	kcal/mol				
	electrostatic =	-213.84	kcal/mol				
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	11.26	kcal/mol				
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-14.09	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	7.23	kcal/mol					
L	Initial Orientation		In			C	
	Final Orientation		In			C	
	Total Energy =	95.63	kcal/mol				
	van der Waals =	84.52	kcal/mol				
	electrostatic =	-221.83	kcal/mol				
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	6.03	kcal/mol				
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-12.96	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-0.51	kcal/mol					
L	Initial Orientation		C			In	
	Final Orientation	In	C			In	
	Total Energy =	75.74	kcal/mol				
	van der Waals =	87.28	kcal/mol				
	electrostatic =	-234.88	kcal/mol				
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-13.86	kcal/mol				
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-10.20	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-13.56	kcal/mol					
D	Initial Orientation		C	In			
	Final Orientation		C				
	Total Energy =	57.96	kcal/mol				
	van der Waals =	79.94	kcal/mol				
	electrostatic =	-248.45	kcal/mol				
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-32.17	kcal/mol				
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-19.32	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-27.38	kcal/mol					

**Table 3.45: The solution phase results of D- and L-tryptophan interacting with the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

D- or L- Tryptophan		Gly9	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
L	Initial Orientation		C			In
	Final Orientation	C	C			In
	Total Energy =	120.09	kcal/mol			
	van der Waals =	76.61	kcal/mol			
	electrostatic =	-193.02	kcal/mol			
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-14.64	kcal/mol			
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-5.16	kcal/mol			
	$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-2.87	kcal/mol			
L	Initial Orientation		C			In
	Final Orientation		C			In
	Total Energy =	119.14	kcal/mol			
	van der Waals =	78.77	kcal/mol			
	electrostatic =	-205.75	kcal/mol			
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-15.59	kcal/mol			
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-3.00	kcal/mol			
	$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-15.61	kcal/mol			
L	Initial Orientation		In			In
	Final Orientation	In	In	In		
	Total Energy =	119.57	kcal/mol			
	van der Waals =	70.81	kcal/mol			
	electrostatic =	-205.36	kcal/mol			
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-15.16	kcal/mol			
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-10.96	kcal/mol			
	$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-15.22	kcal/mol			
D	Initial Orientation		C			In
	Final Orientation		C			In
	Total Energy =	150.45	kcal/mol			
	van der Waals =	82.82	kcal/mol			
	electrostatic =	-198.13	kcal/mol			
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	15.19	kcal/mol			
	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-0.72	kcal/mol			
	$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-8.24	kcal/mol			

Table 3.40 indicates in the solution phase both D- and L-tryptophan are capable of binding to multiple side chains within **HHQK**. Interactions at His13-His14 and His13-Lys16 are favoured equally.

The results of the solution phase optimization of D-tryptophan and L-tryptophan with the 1AMC conformer of A $\beta$  in Table 3.41 show binding can occur between L-tryptophan and multiple sites of **HHQK**. The interaction with D-tryptophan only resulted in one interaction in **HHQK**.

The results of Table 3.42 show that three of the four systems demonstrate multiple binding interactions with **HHQK**, between both D-tryptophan and L-tryptophan with the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid. Interactions are favoured at His13-Lys16.

Table 3.43 shows that, in the case of D- and L-tryptophan being optimized in the solution phase with the 1BA4 conformer of A $\beta$ , all four systems will bind to **HHQK** at His13-His14.

Three of the four systems shown in Table 3.44 indicated binding at two sites on **HHQK** between D- and L-tryptophan and the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid. Binding preferentially favours interactions at His13-Lys16.

From the results of the optimization of D- and L-tryptophan with the 1Z0Q conformer of A $\beta$  in a solvated environment in Table 3.45 it can be seen that all four systems show multiple binding interactions at **HHQK**. The binding occurs equally at His13-His14 and His13-Lys16.

### 3.5.6 CONCLUSIONS OF D- AND L-TRYPTOPHAN INTERACTING WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID

Overall it can be observed in a solution phase environment both D-tryptophan and L-tryptophan are capable of binding to and interacting with the **HHQK** region of  $\beta$ -amyloid in its various conformations, but not nearly as well as observed for phenylalanine and dopamine.

In terms of binding site preference, it appears that interactions at His13-His14 and His13-Lys16 are favoured almost equally. Breaking this down into interactions occurring between each of the stereoisomers, interactions with L-tryptophan were favoured over D-tryptophan, but each interacted almost equally between His13-His14 and His13-Lys16. Hydrogen bond formation slightly exceeded the amount of cation- $\pi$  interactions, but overall not many measureable bonds formed.

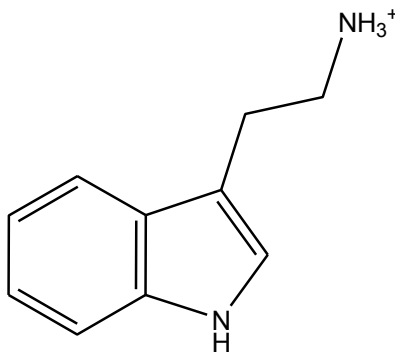
There are no discernable trends based on the binding energies of the systems for interactions with 1AMB, 1AMC, 1BA4 and 1IYT. In the case of interactions with the 1AML conformer, the energies of D-tryptophan interactions were more favourable, whereas the opposite was true in the case of the 1Z0Q conformer. The presence of measureable bonds does not impact the binding energies in a noticeable fashion: some systems with measured bonds had extremely favourable energies, whereas others had highly unfavourable energies. The electrostatic energies were more favourable than the van der Waals energies for the optimized systems.

Overall it can be concluded that both D- and L-tryptophan can bind to/interact with the highly charged **HHQK** region of  $\beta$ -amyloid. L-Tryptophan is capable of forming more interactions than D-tryptophan, but both are significantly less efficacious at binding

relative to the earlier examined species. The *in vitro* assay of tryptophan also demonstrated its inability to inhibit  $\beta$ -amyloid aggregation.

### 3.6 TRYPTAMINE AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID

Tryptamine (Figure 3.6) is one of the metabolites produced in the catabolism of tryptophan and plays a role in the brain as both a neuromodulator and neurotransmitter [86]. It was also identified in the endogenous library as being capable of interacting with the **HHQK** region of  $\beta$ -amyloid.



**Figure 3.6: Tryptamine at physiological pH**

The tryptamine molecule contains only two regions with which it can interact with **HHQK**; the indole ring, and the amino group. Given the paucity of potential interactions with the **HHQK** region, and the lack of results in the gas phase, the calculations were expanded to the **EVHHQK** region as there is potential for interactions with the glutamic acid residue as well. Solution phase optimizations were also performed for all of the systems produced from the gas phase optimizations.

A model of tryptamine as charged for physiological pH was constructed and optimized in MOE after the charges were corrected for the CHARMM22 force field [48,

81]. The optimized energies of the six A $\beta$  conformers are given in Appendix 6 and the energies of tryptamine are summarized in Table 3.46. Energies of the protein conformers were measured with a constrained protein backbone.

**Table 3.46: Gas phase energies of tryptamine**

	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$
Tryptamine	13.04	6.04	4.70

### **3.6.1 GAS PHASE INTERACTIONS BETWEEN TRYPTAMINE AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

Gas phase optimizations of tryptamine and A $\beta$  were performed in MOE using the CHARMM22 force field and examined for potential interactions that could occur with the EVHHQK region [48, 81].

#### ***3.6.1.1 SELECTION OF INITIAL ORIENTATIONS FOR GAS PHASE OPTIMIZATION***

Each system was set up such that the indole ring and the amino group of tryptamine were oriented approximately 3.0 Å away from two of the charged amino acid side chains in the EVHHQK region. Every possible arrangement was attempted; however, some interactions could not be tested as the amino acid side chains were either too far apart, or were on opposite sides of the protein chain.

#### ***3.6.1.2 OPTIMIZATION OF THE GAS PHASE SYSTEMS***

For each system being optimized, the protein backbone was constrained to prevent self interactions, and the system was then subjected to minimization. These optimized systems were saved for the solution phase optimizations, the energies were calculated, and they were examined for measureable binding interactions that may have occurred between tryptamine and the  $\beta$ -amyloid protein.



The relative favourability was determined by calculating the binding energy of each system using the following formulas:

$$\Delta E_{\text{tot}} = E_{\text{tot}} - E_{\text{A}\beta} - E_{\text{tpm}} \quad (3.13)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}} = E_{\text{vdw}} - E_{\text{vdwA}\beta} - E_{\text{vdwtpm}} \quad (3.14)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{ele}} = E_{\text{ele}} - E_{\text{eleA}\beta} - E_{\text{eletpm}} \quad (3.15)$$

The total binding energy,  $\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ , the van der Waal energy,  $\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ , and the electrostatic energy,  $\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ , were each calculated by subtracting the energies of the individually optimized A $\beta$  conformer and tryptamine from the energy of the optimized system.

### **3.6.2 GAS PHASE RESULTS OF TRYPTAMINE INTERACTING WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

The results of the gas phase optimizations are summarized in the following table. The indole and amino groups are represented by In and N, respectively, and the initial and final orientations are given, with the amino acids identified by their single letter abbreviations. The calculated binding energies are also summarized for each interaction. The orange coloured squares represent hydrogen bond formation, and light blue indicates a  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interaction.

**Table 3.47: The gas phase results of tryptamine interacting with  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Conformer	Initial Orientation						Final Orientation							$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ (kcal/mol)	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ (kcal/mol)	$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ (kcal/mol)
	E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	Other			
1AMB			In	N					In	N/In*			In	-11.05	-8.18	-7.53
			N	In					In				N	-17.91	-4.67	-16.19
			N			In	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-28.39	-2.22	-24.82
			In			N			In				In	-17.62	-4.12	-16.23
		N		In			N							-36.19	1.99	-43.87
		In		N			In			N				-9.89	-4.15	-8.58
		N	In				N/In*		In				In	-43.82	-13.42	-29.53
		In	N				In		In				N	-14.02	-8.79	-5.67
	1AMC			N	In					In				N	-2.45	-3.14
			In	N					In				In	-34.29	-8.55	-28.06
			N			In			In				In	-12.27	-0.44	-15.71
			In			N			In					-16.76	1.34	-20.82
		N		In			N			In				-35.60	-1.48	-34.50
		In		N			In			In				-2.62	-1.48	-1.30
1AML			In	N									In	4.44	-2.67	3.94
			N	In					In				In	-7.95	-3.37	-6.34
			N			In	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-5.25	-1.18	-5.41
			In			N	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-7.96	1.75	-14.15
		N		In			N		In	In			In/N*	-26.95	-10.10	-22.93
		In		N			In		In					-9.66	-7.50	-4.61
1BA4			N	In			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-0.74	0.02	-1.15
			In	N					In					-1.70	-1.62	-0.64
1IYT			N	In			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.54	0.71	-3.47
			In	N			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-8.64	-2.36	-5.73
			In			N	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.71	-0.62	-1.19
			N			In	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-4.35	-1.59	-5.07
		N		In			N			In				-30.87	-3.79	-28.01
		In		N			In			N			N	-24.91	-7.96	-15.83
1Z0Q			In	N									In*	6.64	-4.50	8.91
			N	In					In					12.26	-1.93	12.51
			In			N	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-5.14	-3.33	-5.98
			N			In	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.97	-0.46	-0.01
		N		In			N							-40.26	-3.27	-37.99
		In		N			In						N	-31.11	-1.07	-31.01

\* indicates interaction is occurring with the  $-\text{CH}_2-$  chain of the amino acid

The gas phase results showed only one interaction occurring within **HHQK**, and eight within **EVHHQK**. As there were few discernable trends that would allow for identification of systems that should be optimized in the solution phase, all systems were selected to see the effect of the presence of solvent on these systems.

### 3.6.3 SOLUTION PHASE RESULTS FOR TRYPTAMINE INTERACTING WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID

Upon completion of the gas phase optimizations all of the gas phase systems were selected for solution phase minimizations. Each system was solvated with a box of water molecules large enough to completely surround the system with an 8.0 Å margin.

Results of the solution phase optimizations of the tryptamine- $A\beta$  systems have been summarized in tables for each conformation of  $\beta$ -amyloid. The initial and final binding orientations are given along with three calculated energies: the total binding energy, electrostatic binding energy and van der Waals binding energy. The amino acids are indicated by their three-letter abbreviations and any interactions that occurred between tryptamine and amino acids outside of **EVHHQK** are also identified. Single letter amino acid abbreviations were used in Table 3.51.

Any measureable binding interactions that occurred are indicated according to the following colour scheme: hydrogen bonds are coloured orange,  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions are light blue and  $\pi$ -H interactions are in pink. Interactions occurring between tryptamine and the  $-\text{CH}_2-$  region of the amino acid are indicated in indigo, while interactions with C=O of the protein backbone are purple; lime green indicates interactions with the  $-\text{CH}-$  of the protein backbone and yellow interactions with  $-\text{NH}-$  of the protein backbone.

The final energies for the binding interactions were calculated using the energies listed in Table 3.48 and Appendix 6 using equations 3.13-3.15. The only difference being that the energies used are those of the solvated systems where the

solvent has been removed and the protein backbone has been constrained for  $\beta$ -amyloid.

**Table 3.48: Total energies of tryptamine calculated in a solvated environment**

	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$
Tryptamine	17.44	7.22	4.95

The results of the solution phase optimizations are summarized in Tables 3.49-3.54. The data shows only one system where binding at two sites (His13-His14) occurs within the **HHQK** region upon solvation. When looking at binding occurring within **EVHHQK**, only six systems showed binding at two sites, Glu11-His14. Binding energies demonstrate no correlation to the number of measurable binding interactions.

**Table 3.49: The solution phase results of tryptamine interacting with the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	Glu11	Vall2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Glu11	Vall2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation	In			In	N					In				In
					In									
Final Orientation	In			In	In									In
					In									
Total =	-3.10 kcal/mol							-9.75 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	41.87 kcal/mol							64.52 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-207.27 kcal/mol							-231.13 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{rot}}$ =	-20.11 kcal/mol							-26.77 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-12.17 kcal/mol							10.48 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-5.26 kcal/mol							-29.13 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	N			In				-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Final Orientation	N			In				-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	In													
Total =	5.04 kcal/mol							-33.49 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	58.57 kcal/mol							50.28 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-203.96 kcal/mol							-238.97 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{rot}}$ =	-11.98 kcal/mol							-50.51 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	4.53 kcal/mol							-3.76 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-1.96 kcal/mol							-36.97 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	N	In			In			In			N			
Final Orientation		In			N			In			N			
					In									
Total =	-1.54 kcal/mol							-0.45 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	50.48 kcal/mol							44.52 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-206.44 kcal/mol							-207.31 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{rot}}$ =	-18.46 kcal/mol							-17.47 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-3.56 kcal/mol							-9.52 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-4.44 kcal/mol							-5.31 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	In	In		In				N						
		N												
Final Orientation	In	In			In			N						
		N						In						
Total =	-41.12 kcal/mol							-38.34 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	40.45 kcal/mol							47.99 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-227.05 kcal/mol							-250.21 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{rot}}$ =	-58.13 kcal/mol							-55.35 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-13.59 kcal/mol							-6.05 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-25.05 kcal/mol							-48.21 kcal/mol						

**Table 3.50: The solution phase results of tryptamine interacting with the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	Glu11	Vall2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Tyr10	Glu11	Vall2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation	In	In			In			N				In			
Final Orientation					In			N				In			
Total =	-56.16 kcal/mol							-4.34 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	29.55 kcal/mol							49.51 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-248.38 kcal/mol							-211.76 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{rot}}$ =	-53.65 kcal/mol							-1.83 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-30.49 kcal/mol							-10.53 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-27.18 kcal/mol							9.43 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation	In											In			In
Final Orientation	In											In			In
Total =	-28.07 kcal/mol							-3.74 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	44.70 kcal/mol							55.06 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-236.89 kcal/mol							-243.20 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{rot}}$ =	-25.56 kcal/mol							-1.23 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-15.34 kcal/mol							-4.98 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-15.69 kcal/mol							-22.01 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation	In								N			In			
Final Orientation	In					N			N			In			
Total =	-1.11 kcal/mol							-34.49 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	53.92 kcal/mol							54.12 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-226.74 kcal/mol							-253.09 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{rot}}$ =	1.41 kcal/mol							-31.98 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-6.12 kcal/mol							-5.92 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-5.54 kcal/mol							-31.89 kcal/mol							

**Table 3.51: The solution phase results of tryptamine interacting with the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	R5	S8	Y10	E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	R5	H6	D7	S8	E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	V18	I31	
Initial Orientation			In														In						In
Final Orientation			In														In			In			In
Total =	153.16 kcal/mol											142.91 kcal/mol											
van der Waals =	81.80 kcal/mol											62.71 kcal/mol											
Electrostatic =	-163.33 kcal/mol											-158.96 kcal/mol											
$\Delta E_{\text{rot}}$ =	3.53 kcal/mol											-6.18 kcal/mol											
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	11.49 kcal/mol											-7.60 kcal/mol											
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-13.28 kcal/mol											-8.91 kcal/mol											
Initial Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Final Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total =	137.88 kcal/mol											156.15 kcal/mol											
van der Waals =	72.06 kcal/mol											75.19 kcal/mol											
Electrostatic =	-169.84 kcal/mol											-153.81 kcal/mol											
$\Delta E_{\text{rot}}$ =	-11.75 kcal/mol											6.52 kcal/mol											
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	1.75 kcal/mol											4.87 kcal/mol											
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-19.79 kcal/mol											-3.76 kcal/mol											
Initial Orientation				In							N	N	N	N			In	N				In	
Final Orientation	In	In		In						In	N	N	N	N			In	N				In	
Total =	142.76 kcal/mol											115.91 kcal/mol											
van der Waals =	70.39 kcal/mol											58.84 kcal/mol											
Electrostatic =	-168.70 kcal/mol											-162.70 kcal/mol											
$\Delta E_{\text{rot}}$ =	-6.85 kcal/mol											-33.72 kcal/mol											
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	0.08 kcal/mol											-11.47 kcal/mol											
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-18.65 kcal/mol											-12.64 kcal/mol											

**Table 3.52: The solution phase results of tryptamine interacting with the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

1BA4	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation			In				-	-	-	-	-	-
Final Orientation			In				-	-	-	-	-	-
Total =	113.32 kcal/mol						87.63 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	69.64 kcal/mol						81.15 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-184.53 kcal/mol						-206.10 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-16.18 kcal/mol						-41.86 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-3.88 kcal/mol						7.62 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-7.67 kcal/mol						-29.24 kcal/mol					

**Table 3.53: The solution phase results of tryptamine interacting with the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

1IYT	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Final Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	In	-	-
Total =	119.92 kcal/mol						128.90 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	96.29 kcal/mol						87.19 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-190.09 kcal/mol						-190.57 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	8.22 kcal/mol						17.20 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	23.81 kcal/mol						14.72 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	4.00 kcal/mol						3.51 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Final Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total =	106.61 kcal/mol						110.69 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	74.87 kcal/mol						84.59 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-190.76 kcal/mol						-205.12 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-5.09 kcal/mol						-1.01 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	2.40 kcal/mol						12.12 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	3.32 kcal/mol						-11.04 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation	In			N			N			In		
Final Orientation	In			N			N			In		
Total =	88.80 kcal/mol						94.11 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	80.76 kcal/mol						86.80 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-220.01 kcal/mol						-214.03 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-22.90 kcal/mol						-17.59 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	8.29 kcal/mol						14.33 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-25.93 kcal/mol						-31.89 kcal/mol					

**Table 3.54: The solution phase results of tryptamine interacting with the 1I20Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

1Z0Q	Gly9	Ty10	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Gln22	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation	In	In													
Final Orientation	In				In										
Total =	153.47 kcal/mol									134.09 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	76.24 kcal/mol									78.16 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-175.42 kcal/mol									-196.36 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-5.48 kcal/mol									-24.86 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-17.34 kcal/mol									-15.42 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	10.62 kcal/mol									-10.32 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Final Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total =	140.80 kcal/mol									160.64 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	71.96 kcal/mol									82.49 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-186.10 kcal/mol									-170.43 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-18.15 kcal/mol									1.69 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-21.62 kcal/mol									-11.09 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-0.06 kcal/mol									15.61 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation			In						N	N					
Final Orientation			In						N	N					
Total =	128.35 kcal/mol									100.24 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	82.40 kcal/mol									81.90 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-209.27 kcal/mol									-220.08 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-30.61 kcal/mol									-58.71 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-11.18 kcal/mol									-11.68 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-23.24 kcal/mol									-34.04 kcal/mol					

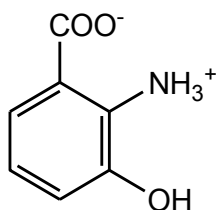


### 3.6.4 CONCLUSIONS OF TRYPTAMINE INTERACTING WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID

The results of the optimization of tryptamine and  $\beta$ -amyloid in the gas phase and solution phase indicated very few interactions within the region of A $\beta$  associated with misfolding. Roughly one quarter of the systems demonstrated binding at two sites within EVHHQK, which when compared to the binding seen with the other molecules studied so far, is not a lot. While tryptamine demonstrates a small potential to interact with  $\beta$ -amyloid to prevent misfolding, it is not as desirable a target as the other endogenous molecules examined thus far. As well, the results of *in vitro* assays further suggest that tryptamine has no effect to prevent A $\beta$  aggregation from progressing.

### 3.7 3-HYDROXYANTHRANILIC ACID AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID

Another tryptophan metabolite identified in the search for an endogenous molecule capable of interacting with HHQK is 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid (3HAA).



**Figure 3.7: 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid at physiological pH**

3-hydroxyanthranilic acid has demonstrated activity in suppressing glial cytokine and chemokine expression, resulting in anti-inflammatory effects as well as reducing the amount of neuronal death caused by these cytokines [89]. It was also discovered that 3HAA can stimulate the production of an anti-oxidant enzyme, hemeoxygenase-1, that also has anti-inflammatory and cytoprotective properties [89]. This molecule therefore

presents itself as a molecule of interest in preventing A $\beta$ -aggregation, given it already exhibits other neuroprotective effects on the brain.

### **3.7.1 GAS PHASE INTERACTIONS BETWEEN 3-HYDROXYANTHRANILIC ACID AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

Gas phase optimizations of 3HAA and  $\beta$ -amyloid covered three regions of  $\beta$ -amyloid. First, the potential interactions between the acid and the **HHQK** region of A $\beta$  were examined, which was then expanded to include **EVHHQK**, followed by the **LVFF** region. The functional groups present on 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid give it the potential to be able to interact with all of these regions of  $\beta$ -amyloid. These optimizations were all performed in MOE using the CHARMM22 force field [48, 87].

#### ***3.7.1.1 PREPARATION OF 3-HYDROXYANTHRANILIC ACID FOR OPTIMIZATION***

The neutral structure of 3HAA was subjected to a systematic conformational search in MOE, whereupon the lowest energy structure obtained was charged for physiological pH and minimized. The energy of the system is given in Table 3.55 with the A $\beta$  energies for the structures used being the same as those listed in Appendix 6.

**Table 3.55: Gas phase energy of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid**

	Total Energy (kcal/mol)
3-hydroxyanthranilic acid	-4.71

#### ***3.7.1.2 SELECTION OF INITIAL ORIENTATIONS FOR OPTIMIZATION OF 3HAA AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID***

Every possible orientation of 3HAA interacting with two of the amino acid side chains in **HHQK**, **LVFF** or **EVHHQK** was attempted. Some interactions were not

possible based on the small size of the acid, as well as the fact that some of the side chains were on opposite sides of the protein. The regions of 3HAA available for interaction are the aromatic ring, the positively charged amino group, the negatively charged carboxylate group, and the hydroxyl group.

### **3.7.1.3 OPTIMIZATION OF THE GAS PHASE SYSTEMS**

Each of the functional groups of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid was situated in every available combination at a distance of 3.0 Å from the amino acid side chains and optimized with the protein backbone constrained to prevent system collapse. The total binding energy for each system was calculated using the following equation:

$$\Delta E_{\text{bind}} = E_{3\text{HAAA}\beta} - E_{3\text{HAA}} - E_{\text{A}\beta} \quad (3.16)$$

The overall binding energy of the system,  $\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ , is the result of subtracting the contributions of the individual 3HAA molecule,  $E_{3\text{HAA}}$ , and  $\text{A}\beta$  conformer,  $E_{\text{A}\beta}$ , from the overall binding energy of the system,  $E_{3\text{HAAA}\beta}$ . For these calculations, the energies used were calculated with a constrained protein backbone to focus solely on contributions from the interactions between 3HAA and  $\text{A}\beta$ .

### **3.7.2 GAS PHASE RESULTS OF THE OPTIMIZATION OF 3-HYDROXYANTHRANILIC ACID WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

The following tables summarize the gas phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with three regions of  $\beta$ -amyloid, first **HHQK**, then **EVHHQK**, and finally **LVFF**. Each table summarizes the initial orientation of 3HAA and the final binding orientations with Ar representing the aromatic ring, N the positively charged amino group, C the negatively charged carboxylate group, and O the hydroxyl group. The

amino acid residues are given in their single letter abbreviations, and interactions outside the area of interest are listed under the column X. The binding energy of the system, as well as any measurable bonds that formed, are also given.

**Table 3.56: The gas phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the HHQK region of the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation				Final Orientation					$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Measured
H13	H14	Q15	K16	H13	H14	Q15	K16	X	(kcal/mol)	Bonds
C	N			C	N			N	-48.41	1
N	C			C				C	-50.37	0
N	O			C	Ar			N	-43.29	2
O	N			O/Ar	N			N	-26.34	1
C	O			C	Ar			Ar	-49.23	2
O	C			O/Ar	C/Ar			N	-41.09	0
Ar	C				C			Ar	-26.14	0
C	Ar			C	Ar			Ar	-38.18	0
Ar	O				Ar			Ar	-43.02	0
O	Ar				Ar			O	-15.62	0
Ar	N			C	C/N			Ar	-47.17	0
N	Ar			C	Ar			N	-56.83	0
N		O		-	-	-	-	-	-41.54	0
O		N		-	-	-	-	-	-26.38	0
C		N		C			C		-29.14	1
N		C		N/C			C		-24.94	1
C		O		C					-22.46	0
O		C				C		C/Ar	-39.15	2
C		Ar		C			Ar		-16.96	0
Ar		C		Ar			C	C	-25.29	2
Ar		O		C/Ar					-44.39	0
O		Ar				C		Ar	-44.45	0
N		Ar		C					-38.67	0
Ar		N		C/Ar			C	C/Ar	-48.68	1

**Table 3.57: The gas phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the HHQK region of the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation				Final Orientation					$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ (kcal/mol)	Measured Bonds
H13	H14	Q15	K16	H13	H14	Q15	K16	X		
N	C			C	C			N	-42.19	1
C	N			C	Ar			N	-41.70	1
N	O			C	Ar			N/O	-30.72	0
O	N			N				O	-25.01	0
O	C				C				-20.40	0
C	O			C	Ar			Ar	-39.28	1
Ar	C			C				Ar	-52.68	0
C	Ar				C/N			C/O/Ar	-42.59	0
O	Ar				Ar			O/Ar	-16.91	0
Ar	O							O	-22.23	0
N	Ar				Ar			C/O/N/Ar	-34.50	0
Ar	N				Ar			C/Ar	-39.14	1
C		N		C			C		-28.94	1
N		C		C			C	C	-26.73	1
N		O		-	-	-	-	-	-27.58	0
O		N		-	-	-	-	-	9.52	0
C		O		C					-36.34	0
O		C		O/Ar			C	C	-31.99	2
C		Ar		C					-36.51	0
Ar		C		Ar			C		-24.55	1
Ar		O		C			C		-33.14	1
O		Ar					C		-30.19	1
N		Ar					C/Ar		-27.52	1
Ar		N		C/Ar			C	C/Ar	-31.15	1

**Table 3.58: The gas phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the HHQK region of the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation				Final Orientation					$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Measured
H13	H14	Q15	K16	H13	H14	Q15	K16	X	(kcal/mol)	Bonds
O	N			-	-	-	-	-	-3.63	0
N	O							C/Ar	-10.10	0
N	C			Ar					-45.58	0
C	N			C				Ar	-37.42	0
C	O			C	Ar			C/Ar	-39.23	0
O	C			O	C/Ar			C/Ar	-20.31	0
C	Ar			C					-41.98	0
Ar	C			-	-	-	-	-	-32.83	0
Ar	O				Ar			Ar	-17.02	0
O	Ar			-	-	-	-	-	-7.82	0
N	Ar				Ar			C/Ar	-13.08	0
Ar	N							O/Ar	-0.59	0
O		N					C	O/Ar	-26.16	0
N		O		C				C/N	-35.39	2
N		C		O/N			C		-8.90	0
C		N		C				C/Ar	-36.25	0
O		C					C		-17.15	0
C		O		C			Ar	Ar	-27.26	2
Ar		O						Ar	-16.73	0
O		Ar		O			C		-16.38	0
Ar		N					C		-36.08	0
N		Ar		C					-30.67	0
Ar		C					C		-20.41	1
C		Ar		C					-30.85	0

**Table 3.59: The gas phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the HHQK region of the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation				Final Orientation				$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Measured
H13	H14	Q15	K16	H13	H14	Q15	K16	(kcal/mol)	Bonds
O	C			Ar	C			-30.56	0
C	O			C	Ar			-20.70	0
N	C			C/Ar				-30.48	0
C	N			C				-28.75	0
O	N				C			-30.32	0
N	O			-	-	-	-	-21.17	0
Ar	O			-	-	-	-	-27.32	0
O	Ar				C			-23.72	0
Ar	C			C/Ar				-29.97	0
C	Ar			C	Ar			-34.46	0
Ar	N				C			-29.30	0
N	Ar			C	C/Ar			-42.30	0

**Table 3.60: The gas phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the HHQK region of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation				Final Orientation					$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Measured
H13	H14	Q15	K16	H13	H14	Q15	K16	X	(kcal/mol)	Bonds
O	N							O	-22.98	0
N	O			C/Ar					-28.42	0
N	C			N					-15.33	1
C	N			C					-40.76	0
O	C			Ar	C			Ar	-26.76	2
C	O			C/Ar	O/Ar			Ar	-33.26	0
O	Ar			-	-	-	-	-	-21.46	0
Ar	O			Ar					-30.41	0
Ar	C			Ar					-22.06	0
C	Ar			C					-30.41	0
Ar	N			Ar				C/O	-33.55	2
N	Ar			Ar	Ar			Ar	-32.51	1
C			N	C					-22.39	0
N			C				C		-26.38	0
N			O	C/Ar			O		-26.83	0
O			N				N	N	-17.11	1
C			O	C					-32.56	0
O			C	Ar			C		-27.42	0
N			Ar	C					-24.64	0
Ar			N	-	-	-	-	-	-29.02	0
Ar			C	Ar			C		-25.89	0
C			Ar	C			Ar		-27.29	0
Ar			O	C					-28.50	0
O			Ar	Ar			C		-24.93	1



**Table 3.61: The gas phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the HHQK region of the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation				Final Orientation					$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Measured
H13	H14	Q15	K16	H13	H14	Q15	K16	X	(kcal/mol)	Bonds
O	N			O	N			O	-9.38	0
N	O			C/N	Ar			N/O	-31.74	0
C	N			C					-29.86	0
N	C			N	C			C	-12.32	0
C	O			C	O/Ar			Ar	-25.91	0
O	C				C			Ar	-29.38	0
Ar	O			Ar					-18.23	0
O	Ar			-	-	-	-	-	-10.60	0
Ar	C			Ar	C			C	-27.26	0
C	Ar			C	Ar			Ar	-25.93	0
Ar	N			Ar	N/C			O	-25.84	0
N	Ar			C/N	Ar			O	-31.66	0
O			N				C		-15.44	0
N			O	C					-24.48	0
N			C				C		-18.69	2
C			N	C					-15.17	1
O			C				C		-15.15	1
C			O	C			Ar		-17.09	1
O			Ar	Ar			C		-14.40	2
Ar			O	C/Ar			Ar		-14.07	2
N			Ar	-	-	-	-	-	-21.74	0
Ar			N				C		-28.56	1
Ar			C				C		-25.26	1
C			Ar	C					-25.54	0

Six conformations were selected for solution phase optimization from the results of the gas phase interactions of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid with the **HHQK** region of  $A\beta$ , summarized in Tables 3.56-3.61. These selections were based on the requirement of having the lowest overall binding energy, as well as binding at two or more sites on the  $\beta$ -amyloid protein. In the case of the 1BA4 conformer of  $A\beta$ , only four systems met these

criteria, so only four solution phase optimizations were performed. Overall 3HAA was capable of binding at His13-His14, and His13-Lys16, with the former being slightly more favoured. The selected systems are summarized in Table 3.62

**Table 3.62: Selected systems of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid and the HHQK region of A $\beta$  for solvation**

Interaction	Binding Energy (kcal/mol)	Interaction	Binding Energy (kcal/mol)
1AMB		1BA4	
HNHAr	-56.83	HNHAr	-42.30
HNHC	-50.37	HCHAr	-34.46
HCHO	-49.23	HOHC	-30.56
HCHN	-48.41	HCHO	-20.70
HArHN	-47.17	1IYT	
HOHQKAr	-44.45	HArHN	-33.55
1AMC		HCHO	-33.26
HArHC	-52.68	HNHAr	-32.51
HCHAr	-42.59	HOHQKC	-27.42
HNHC	-42.20	HCHQKAr	-27.29
HCHN	-41.70	HNHQKO	-26.83
HCHO	-39.28	1Z0Q	
HArHN	-39.14	HNHO	-31.74
1AML		HNHAr	-31.66
HCHO	-39.23	HArHC	-27.26
HCHN	-37.42	HCHAr	-25.93
HCHQKN	-36.25	HCHO	-25.91
HNHQKO	-35.39	HArHN	-25.84
HCHQKO	-27.26		
HOHQKN	-26.16		

The gas phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the EVHHQK region of A $\beta$  are summarized in Tables 3.63-68.

**Table 3.63: The gas phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the EVHHQK region of the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation						Final Orientation						$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ (kcal/mol)	Measured Bonds
E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16		
N			C			N/C						-31.73	0
C			N			-	-	-	-	-	-	-17.96	0
N			O			N/O			O			-8.82	0
O			N			-	-	-	-	-	-	-15.43	0
C			O			O/N/Ar			C/Ar			-37.93	2
O			C			O/Ar			C/Ar			-28.17	1
C			Ar			-	-	-	-	-	-	-12.69	0
Ar			C			Ar			C			-23.33	0
N			Ar			N/Ar			C/Ar	O		-26.03	1
Ar			N			Ar			C			-30.65	0
O			Ar			-	-	-	-	-	-	-14.67	0
Ar			O			-	-	-	-	-	-	-22.20	0

**Table 3.64: The gas phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the EVHHQK region of the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation						Final Orientation						$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ (kcal/mol)	Measured Bonds
E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16		
N			O			N						-17.29	0
O			N			N						-29.87	0
C			N			C/N						-29.60	1
N			C			N			C			-33.82	1
C			O			N/C/Ar						-20.72	0
O			C			N/O/Ar			C			-37.14	0
N			Ar			N/Ar			Ar			-34.55	0
Ar			N			N/Ar						-28.82	0
O			Ar			N/O/Ar			Ar			-34.89	1
Ar			O			O/Ar						-21.77	1
C			Ar			C			C/Ar	O/Ar		-21.37	1
Ar			C			Ar			C			-23.42	1

**Table 3.65: The gas phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the EVHHQK region of the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation							Final Orientation							$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Measured
E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16		E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	X	(kcal/mol)	Bonds
C			N				C			N			Ar	-22.54	0
N			C				N			C			N/O/Ar	-40.71	0
O			N				O			N				-12.63	1
N			O				N			N/O			C/N/Ar	-16.19	1
N			Ar				N/O/Ar			C/Ar			N/O/Ar	-42.99	3
Ar			N							Ar			Ar	-23.43	2
C			Ar										C/N/Ar	-40.33	1
Ar			C				Ar			C			Ar	-31.95	0
Ar			O				Ar						C/N/Ar	-18.97	0
O			Ar										C/O/N/Ar	-40.26	0
O			C				O/Ar			C/Ar			O	-21.89	2
C			O				C/Ar			O/Ar	C		C/Ar	-20.06	2

**Table 3.66: The gas phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the EVHHQK region of the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation							Final Orientation							$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Measured
E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16		E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	X	(kcal/mol)	Bonds
C					N		C						C/O/N	-33.24	1
N					C		C/N					C	C/N	-17.53	1
O					N								N/O/Ar	-39.63	0
N					O		N						N/O	-47.19	1
O					Ar								N/O/Ar	-29.15	1
Ar					O		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-47.04	0
Ar					C		C/Ar					C	C/O/N/Ar	-26.92	1
C					Ar		C/Ar					Ar	C/Ar	-35.59	0

**Table 3.67: The gas phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the EVHHQK region of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation							Final Orientation							$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Measured
E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16		E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	X	(kcal/mol)	Bonds
N			O				N/O/Ar					O		-30.23	2
O			N				N							-24.50	0
C			N				C					N/C		-4.41	1
N			C				N							-24.22	0
O			Ar									Ar		-19.22	0
Ar			O				-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-16.91	0
N			Ar				N/Ar					C/Ar		-37.68	1
Ar			N				O/Ar						C	-23.32	0
Ar			C				Ar							-29.18	0
C			Ar									C		-27.03	0

**Table 3.68: The gas phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the EVHHQK region of the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Initial Orientation						Final Orientation							$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$	Measured
E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	X	(kcal/mol)	Bonds
N		O				N							-15.82	0
O		N							C/Ar			Ar	-56.65	1
C		N				C							-1.29	0
N		C				C/N/Ar			C				-57.78	0
O		C				O			C			Ar	-42.01	0
C		O				Ar							-33.36	0
C		Ar				C							-11.39	0
Ar		C				Ar			C				-43.92	0
O		Ar				O/Ar							-25.30	0
Ar		O				-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-18.67	0
N		Ar				N/O							-30.09	1
Ar		N				Ar			Ar				-53.38	0

The results of the gas phase interactions occurring between 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid and the EVHHQK region of  $\beta$ -amyloid indicate binding can occur in this region of interest. From each conformer of A $\beta$  four systems were selected for optimization in the solution phase; these had to have the lowest energy and binding interactions at two or more of the amino acid side chains. The systems targeted for solution phase optimizations are summarized in Table 3.69.

**Table 3.69: Selected systems of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid and the EVHHQK region of A $\beta$  for solvation**

Interaction	Binding Energy (kcal/mol)	Interaction	Binding Energy (kcal/mol)
<u>1AMB</u>		<u>1BA4</u>	
ECVHHO	-37.93	ENVHHQKO	-47.19
EArVHHN	-30.65	ECVHHQKAr	-35.59
EOVHHC	-28.17	ECVHHQKN	-33.24
EArVHHN	-26.03	EArVHHQKC	-26.92
<u>1AMC</u>		<u>1IYT</u>	
EOVHHC	-37.14	ENVHHAr	-37.68
EOVHHAr	-34.89	ENVHHO	-30.23
ENVHHAr	-34.55	EArVHHN	-23.32
ENVHHC	-33.82	ECVHHN	-4.41
<u>1AML</u>		<u>1Z0Q</u>	
ENVHHAr	-42.99	ENVHHC	-57.78
ENVHHC	-40.71	EOVHHN	-56.65
EArVHHC	-31.95	EArVHHN	-53.38
EArVHHN	-23.43	EArVHHC	-43.92

The results of the gas phase interactions between 3HAA and the LVFF region of  $\beta$ -amyloid are summarized in Table 3.70. As there are very few interactions occurring in this region, it was determined that half of the systems for each conformer of A $\beta$  would undergo solution phase optimization. These systems had to have low energies and binding interactions at two or more sites with A $\beta$ ; in the case of the 1BA4 conformer there were no viable systems for solution phase optimization.

The systems selected for optimization in the solution phase are summarized in Table 3.71.

**Table 3.70: The gas phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the LVFF region of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Conformer	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation					$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ (kcal/mol)	Measured Bonds	
	L17	V18	F19	F20	L17	V18	F19	F20	X			
1AMB	Ar			N	Ar			C			-13.24	0
	Ar			O	Ar						-6.42	0
			Ar	N			Ar		C		-9.73	0
			N	Ar			N/C/Ar	Ar	C/O/Ar		-73.45	0
			O	Ar			O		Ar		-37.48	0
			Ar	O			Ar	Ar	C/O		-55.42	1
		Ar	N				C		Ar		-23.66	0
		Ar	O			Ar					-27.43	1
1AMC	Ar			N	Ar						-16.51	0
	Ar			O	C/Ar				C		-24.23	0
			Ar	N			Ar		O/Ar		-41.55	0
			N	Ar			N				-18.80	1
			Ar	O	-	-	-	-	-		-13.19	0
			O	Ar			O		Ar		-28.81	0
		Ar	N			Ar	N		C/O/Ar		-28.59	1
		Ar	O		-	-	-	-	-		-15.06	0
1AML	Ar			O				O	Ar		-18.92	0
	Ar			N				C/Ar	O/Ar		-31.34	0
			Ar	O	-	-	-	-	-		-20.49	0
			O	Ar				Ar	O		-30.51	0
			Ar	N	-	-	-	-	-		-21.30	0
			N	Ar				O	N		-28.17	0
1BA4	Ar			N	Ar						-21.27	0
	Ar			O				Ar			-16.97	0
		Ar	O						O		-22.68	1
1IYT	Ar			N	Ar						-11.93	0
	Ar			O					Ar		-18.01	0
			O	Ar					N		-27.72	1
			Ar	O			Ar		C/O/Ar		-29.08	3
		Ar	O				O		Ar		-16.27	0
1Z0Q	Ar			N	Ar			N			-8.03	0
	Ar			O			Ar				-8.76	0
	Ar		N				Ar	O/Ar			-27.37	1
	Ar		O		-	-	-	-	-		-9.31	0
			Ar	N			Ar	O/Ar			-22.80	1
			N	Ar			O	Ar			-27.48	0
			Ar	O			Ar	C/O/N/Ar			-18.01	2
			O	Ar	-	-	-	-	-		-10.22	0

**Table 3.71: Selected systems of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid and the LVFF region of A $\beta$  for solvation**

Interaction	Binding Energy (kcal/mol)	Interaction	Binding Energy (kcal/mol)
1AMB		1IYT	
FNF <sub>Ar</sub>	-73.45	F <sub>Ar</sub> FO	-29.08
F <sub>Ar</sub> FO	-55.42	V <sub>Ar</sub> FO	-16.27
FO <sub>Ar</sub>	-37.48	1Z0Q	
V <sub>Ar</sub> FO	-27.43	FNF <sub>Ar</sub>	-27.48
1AMC		F <sub>Ar</sub> FN	-22.80
F <sub>Ar</sub> FN	-41.55	F <sub>Ar</sub> FO	-18.01
FO <sub>Ar</sub>	-28.81	L <sub>Ar</sub> VFFN	-8.03
V <sub>Ar</sub> FN	-28.59		
L <sub>Ar</sub> VFFO	-24.23		
1AML			
L <sub>Ar</sub> VFFN	-31.34		
FO <sub>Ar</sub>	-30.51		
FNF <sub>Ar</sub>	-28.17		
L <sub>Ar</sub> VFFO	-18.92		

### 3.7.3 SOLUTION PHASE RESULTS FOR 3-HYDROXYANTHRANILIC ACID INTERACTING WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID

Solution phase optimizations were performed for each of the regions of  $\beta$ -amyloid interacting with 3HAA. These optimizations were performed in MOE following the procedure outlined in Section 3.5.4.1. The results of these calculations are summarized according to conformer and each region of A $\beta$  that was the focus for binding. The initial and final binding orientations are given, with 3 letter abbreviations for the amino acid residues. Identification of the functional groups of 3HAA follows the same pattern as outlined in the gas phase optimizations. The binding energies of each system were calculated via the following equations:

$$\Delta E_{\text{tot}} = E_{\text{tot}} - E_{A\beta} - E_{\text{HAA}} \quad (3.17)$$



$$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}} = E_{\text{vdw}} - E_{\text{vdwA}\beta} - E_{\text{vdw3HAA}} \quad (3.18)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{ele}} = E_{\text{ele}} - E_{\text{eleA}\beta} - E_{\text{ele3HAA}} \quad (3.19)$$

These equations are identical to those used for previous solution phase optimizations, where the measured energies are calculated with a constrained protein backbone and the solvent removed from the system. The energies of the solvated A $\beta$  conformers are the same as those in Appendix 6 and the energy of the solution phase optimized 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid is given in Table 3.72.

**Table 3.72: The solution phase energy of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid**

	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$
3-hydroxyanthranilic acid	-3.16	17.45	-26.72

Binding interactions that occurred in the solution phase are denoted by coloured squares: orange indicates a hydrogen bond, the darker the orange, the more hydrogen bonds have formed; green indicates cation- $\pi$  interactions, the darker the green, the more cation- $\pi$  interactions that are occurring at that site; light blue signifies  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions, as the shade becomes more intense, more interactions are occurring. There are also interactions occurring with regions other than the R group of the amino acids: indigo indicates interactions with the  $-\text{CH}_2-$  chain, whereas lime green is used for the  $-\text{CH}-$  of the protein backbone; light purple is used for interactions with the  $\text{C}=\text{O}$  of the protein backbone; and finally yellow represents the  $-\text{NH}-$  of the protein backbone.

Tables 3.73-3.78 detail the results of the solution phase optimization of 3HAA and the HHQK region of  $\beta$ -amyloid.

**Table 3.73: The solution phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the HHQK region of the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18
Initial Orientation		C	Ar				N
Final Orientation		C	Ar				C N O Ar
Total =	-52.85 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	60.35 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-281.84 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-48.04 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-3.87 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-57.13 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	C	C					
Final Orientation	N	C	Ar				Ar
Total =	-49.20 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	73.21 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-272.24 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-44.39 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	9.00 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-47.52 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	N	C	N				
Final Orientation	N	C	Ar				
Total =	-55.40 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	50.55 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-261.01 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-50.59 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-13.66 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-39.29 kcal/mol						

**Table 3.73: The solution phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the HHQK region of the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Phe20
Initial Orientation		C	N				Ar
Final Orientation	C	C	C				Ar
Total =	-70.93 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	59.05 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-280.02 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-66.12 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-5.17 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-55.31 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation					C		Ar
Final Orientation					C		Ar
Total =	-42.55 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	70.54 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-270.35 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-37.74 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	6.33 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-45.63 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	Ar	C	Ar				
Final Orientation	Ar	C	Ar				
		Ar					
Total =	-15.02 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	57.04 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-244.67 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-10.21 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-7.18 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-19.95 kcal/mol						

**Table 3.74: The solution phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the HHQK region of the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18
Initial Orientation	Ar		Ar				C
Final Orientation	Ar		Ar				C
Total =	-68.29 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	64.52 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-294.30 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-37.91 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	1.80 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-47.08 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	C		C			O	N
			N			Ar	
Final Orientation	C					Ar	
Total =	-70.38 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	68.06 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-296.80 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-40.01 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	5.33 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-49.58 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	Ar	C					
Final Orientation	Ar		Ar				
Total =	-69.43 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	64.03 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-298.80 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-39.06 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	1.31 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-51.58 kcal/mol						

**Table 3.74: The solution phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the HHQK region of the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation	N	C	C			
Final Orientation	N		C			
Total =	-79.18 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	63.01 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-298.72 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-48.81 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	0.28 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-51.50 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation	N	C	Ar			
Final Orientation	N	C	Ar			
Total =	-58.43 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	70.06 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-277.61 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-28.05 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	7.33 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-30.39 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation	Ar	C	Ar			
Final Orientation	Ar	C	Ar			C N
Total =	-52.98 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	60.60 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-267.49 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-22.60 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-2.12 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-20.27 kcal/mol					

**Table 3.75: The solution phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the HHQK region of the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation	C		C	Ar		
	Ar					
Final Orientation	C		C	Ar		
Total =	67.90 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	76.99 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-230.00 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-55.24 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-8.37 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-44.15 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation	Ar		C			
Final Orientation	C		C			
	Ar					
Total =	97.87 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	95.00 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-222.07 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-25.26 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	9.63 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-36.22 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation		C	C			
		Ar				
Final Orientation		C	C			
Total =	104.27 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	86.64 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-212.92 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-18.86 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	1.28 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-27.07 kcal/mol					

**Table 3.75: The solution phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the HHQK region of the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation	C	C			
	N				
Final Orientation	C	C			Ar
	N				
Total =	104.65 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	99.75 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-221.24 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-18.48 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	14.38 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-35.40 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation	Ar	C			Ar
Final Orientation		C			Ar
Total =	102.82 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	84.92 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-214.85 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-20.31 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-0.45 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-29.00 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation	O				C
	Ar				
Final Orientation	O				
	Ar				
Total =	117.88 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	98.02 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-202.45 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-5.25 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	12.66 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-16.60 kcal/mol				

**Table 3.76: The solution phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the HHQK region of the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation	C	C		
		Ar		
Final Orientation	C	C		
		Ar		
Total =	55.81 kcal/mol			
van der Waals =	79.47 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-242.03 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-82.45 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-29.80 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-45.80 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation	C	Ar		
Final Orientation	C	C		
		Ar		
Total =	88.52 kcal/mol			
van der Waals =	95.75 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-225.32 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-49.73 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-13.52 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-29.10 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation	Ar	C		
Final Orientation	Ar	C		
Total =	80.28 kcal/mol			
van der Waals =	94.59 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-229.72 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-57.98 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-14.68 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-33.49 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation	C	Ar		
Final Orientation	N	Ar		
	C			
Total =	97.49 kcal/mol			
van der Waals =	89.20 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-202.59 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-40.76 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-20.06 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-6.36 kcal/mol			



**Table 3.77: The solution phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the HHQK region of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation	O		Ar				C
Final Orientation	O		Ar				
Total =	32.35 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	88.71 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	269.53 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-41.13 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-16.93 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-26.26 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	Ar	Ar	C	O			
Final Orientation	Ar	Ar	C	Ar			
Total =	106.57 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	97.50 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-273.12 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	33.09 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-8.14 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-29.85 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation			Ar	Ar			Ar
Final Orientation			N	Ar			Ar
			C				
Total =	39.60 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	90.27 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-271.68 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-33.89 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-15.37 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-28.41 kcal/mol						

**Table 3.77: The solution phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the HHQK region of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation	Ar			C
Final Orientation	Ar			Ar
				C
Total =	71.16 kcal/mol			
van der Waals =	98.15 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-250.12 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-2.32 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-7.49 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-6.85 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation	C			Ar
Final Orientation	C			Ar
Total =	49.04 kcal/mol			
van der Waals =	82.66 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-258.21 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-24.44 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-22.97 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-14.94 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation	C			O
	Ar			
Final Orientation	C			Ar
Total =	78.99 kcal/mol			
van der Waals =	86.14 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-273.59 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	5.51 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-19.50 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-30.32 kcal/mol			

**Table 3.78: The solution phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the HHQK region of the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation	N	C	Ar		
	O	N			
Final Orientation	O	C	Ar		
Total =	91.01 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	87.14 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-249.02 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-27.62 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-2.79 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-36.93 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation	O	N	Ar		
		C			
Final Orientation	O	C			
Total =	101.32 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	93.77 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-244.89 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-17.31 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	3.84 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-32.80 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation	C	Ar	C		
Final Orientation	C	Ar	C		
Total =	81.04 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	81.59 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-244.54 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-37.58 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-8.32 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-32.45 kcal/mol				

**Table 3.78: The solution phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the HHQK region of the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation		Ar	C	Ar		
Final Orientation	Ar	Ar	C			
Total =	112.90 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	106.44 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-243.42 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-5.72 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	16.52 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-31.33 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation		Ar	C	O		
Final Orientation		Ar	C	Ar		
Total =	118.85 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	94.13 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-236.32 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	0.23 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	4.20 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-24.23 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation		O	Ar	N		
Final Orientation		O	Ar	C		
Total =	92.74 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	88.03 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-239.57 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-25.89 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-1.89 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-27.47 kcal/mol					

These results indicate that 3HAA is capable of binding to and interacting with the **HHQK** region of  $\beta$ -amyloid. Interactions occurring at His13-His14 are favoured 3:1 over those at His13-Lys16. There is a large variability in the energies of the systems, and the presence of measurable bonds does not always indicate favourable energetics. In general the electrostatic energies make more of a contribution to the overall binding than the van

der Waals energies. Cation- $\pi$  interactions were more prevalent than hydrogen bonds in these systems.

The results of the solution phase optimizations of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid and the **EVHHQK** region of  $\beta$ -amyloid are summarized in Tables 3.79-3.84. In general, the results of these calculations show binding at Glu11-His14 to be preferred, with interactions occurring at these two amino acids in over half of the systems; all systems demonstrated at least one interaction occurring at multiple sites within **EVHHQK**. Both cation- $\pi$  and hydrogen bonds were present, and for most of the systems the electrostatic energies contribute more to the overall energy of the system than the van der Waals energy.

**Table 3.79: The solution phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the EVHHQK region of the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation	N			Ar		
	Ar			C		
	O					
Final Orientation	N			Ar	O	
	Ar			C	Ar	
Total =	-50.56 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	57.09 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-258.62 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-45.84 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-7.12 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-33.90 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation	Ar			C		
Final Orientation	Ar			C		
				N		
				Ar		
Total =	-7.57 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	63.07 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-239.80 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-2.76 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-1.15 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-15.08 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation	O			Ar		
	Ar			C		
Final Orientation	O			C		
	Ar			Ar		
Total =	-33.13 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	60.32 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-249.80 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-28.32 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-3.89 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-25.08 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation	N			Ar	O	
	Ar			C		
Final Orientation	N			Ar		
	Ar					
Total =	-38.01 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	64.95 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-266.20 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-33.20 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	0.73 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-41.48 kcal/mol					

**Table 3.80: The solution phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the EVHHQK region of the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation	N			Ar		
	Ar					
Final Orientation	O			Ar		
	Ar					
Total =	-42.20 kcal/mol					
van der Waals	57.80 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-266.94 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-11.82 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-4.92 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{cle}}$ =	-19.72 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation	N			C		
Final Orientation	N					
Total =	-36.80 kcal/mol					
van der Waals	70.15 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-273.57 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-6.42 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	7.42 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{cle}}$ =	-26.35 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation	N			C		
	O					
	Ar					
Final Orientation				C	C	Ar
Total =	-22.79 kcal/mol					
van der Waals	75.98 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-259.81 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	7.59 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	13.25 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{cle}}$ =	-12.59 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation	N			Ar		
	Ar			C		
	O					
Final Orientation	O			Ar		
	N			C		
Total =	-51.09 kcal/mol					
van der Waals	58.50 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-279.31 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-20.72 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-4.23 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{cle}}$ =	-32.09 kcal/mol					

**Table 3.81: The solution phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the EVHHQK region of the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Asp7	Set8	Tyr10	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation		N	O	N			Ar		
		Ar		O			Ar		
				Ar			C		
Final Orientation		O	O	N			Ar		
		Ar		O			C		
				Ar			N		
Total =	99.59 kcal/mol								
van der Waals =	86.97 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =	-219.22 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-23.55 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	1.63 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-33.37 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation	O	O		N			C		
		N							
		Ar							
Final Orientation	O	O		N			C		
		N							
		Ar							
Total =	91.32 kcal/mol								
van der Waals =	79.89 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =	-214.49 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-31.81 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-5.47 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-28.65 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation		Ar		Ar			C		
Final Orientation				Ar			C		
Total =	107.00 kcal/mol								
van der Waals =	95.34 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =	-205.89 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-16.13 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	9.98 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-20.04 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation		Ar					Ar		
							Ar		
Final Orientation							Ar		
Total =	113.39 kcal/mol								
van der Waals =	81.06 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =	-191.61 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-9.74 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-4.30 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-5.76 kcal/mol								



**Table 3.82: The solution phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the EVHHQK region of the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Asp1	Glu3	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Phe19
Initial Orientation	O	N	C						C
Final Orientation		N	C						C
		Ar							
Total =	59.91 kcal/mol								
van der Waals	84.22 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =	-245.63 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-78.34 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-25.05 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-49.40 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation			C					C	Ar
			Ar						O
									C
									N
Final Orientation		C	Ar					C	Ar
									C
									O
									N
Total =	107.57 kcal/mol								
van der Waals	88.81 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =	-215.61 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-30.69 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-20.45 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-19.39 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation			N						N
									O
Final Orientation			N						N
									O
Total =	77.40 kcal/mol								
van der Waals	92.28 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =	-236.07 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-60.85 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-16.99 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-39.85 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation		Ar	C					Ar	C
			Ar						Ar
Final Orientation		Ar	C						C
			Ar						Ar
Total =	80.43 kcal/mol								
van der Waals	83.34 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =	-216.04 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-57.82 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-25.93 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-19.81 kcal/mol								

**Table 3.83: The solution phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the EVHHQK region of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation		N			Ar		
		Ar			C		
Final Orientation		N			Ar		
		Ar			C		
Total =	28.25 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	97.88 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-289.44 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-45.24 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-7.76 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-46.17 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation		N				O	
		O					
		Ar					
Final Orientation		N					
		O					
		Ar					
Total =	71.14 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	102.88 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-247.90 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-2.35 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-2.76 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-4.63 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	C	O					
		Ar					
Final Orientation	C	Ar			N		
		C					
		N					
Total =	43.34 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	92.80 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-267.75 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-30.15 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-12.83 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-24.48 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation		C			N		
					C		
Final Orientation		C			N		
					C		
Total =	77.46 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	88.71 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-233.62 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	3.97 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-16.93 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	9.65 kcal/mol						

**Table 3.84: The solution phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the EVHHQK region of the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Val18	Glu22
Initial Orientation	N			C				
	Ar							
	C							
Final Orientation	N			C	C			
	Ar							
	C							
Total =	79.15 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	87.60 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-250.13 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-39.48 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-2.32 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-38.04 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation				Ar				Ar
				C				
Final Orientation	O			Ar			Ar	Ar
Total =	83.56 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	85.90 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-239.63 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-35.06 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-4.02 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-27.54 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation	Ar			Ar				
Final Orientation				Ar				
Total =	90.16 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	88.74 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-249.46 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-28.46 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-1.18 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-37.37 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation	Ar			C				
Final Orientation	Ar			C				
Total =	108.20 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	90.81 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-234.07 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-10.43 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	0.89 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-21.98 kcal/mol							

The results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the LVFF region of A $\beta$  in a solvated environment are summarized in Tables 3.85-3.89. There are no systems that were optimized in the solution phase for the 1BA4 conformer of A $\beta$ . Very few binding interactions occurred within the LVFF region of  $\beta$ -amyloid, and those that did only occurred with the 1AMB and 1Z0Q conformations, and Phe19-Phe20 was preferred.

**Table 3.85: The solution phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the LVFF region of the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Asp23
Initial Orientation			C			N C Ar	Ar	O Ar
Final Orientation			C			N C Ar	Ar	O
Total =	-74.43 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	58.48 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-298.69 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-69.62 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-5.74 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-73.97 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation			C			Ar	Ar	O
Final Orientation			C			Ar	Ar	O
Total =	-69.27 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	58.40 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-288.29 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-64.46 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-5.82 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-63.57 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation			Ar			O		
Final Orientation			Ar			O		
Total =	-34.65 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	70.18 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-278.71 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-29.84 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	5.97 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-54.00 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation	Ar				Ar			
Final Orientation	Ar	Ar			Ar	O		
Total =	-14.67 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	63.03 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-236.93 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-9.87 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-1.19 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-12.22 kcal/mol							

**Table 3.86: The solution phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the LVFF region of the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His13	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Glu22	Asp23
Initial Orientation						Ar			O
Final Orientation						Ar			Ar
Total =	-69.53 kcal/mol								
van der Waals =	46.53 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =	-281.81 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-39.15 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-16.20 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-34.59 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation			Ar			O			
Final Orientation			Ar						
Total =	-46.49 kcal/mol								
van der Waals =	57.64 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =	-270.62 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-16.12 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-5.09 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-23.40 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation	C		C						
Final Orientation			Ar						
Total =	-71.59 kcal/mol								
van der Waals =	53.40 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =	-283.59 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-41.21 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-9.33 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-36.37 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation		O			Ar	N		O	
Final Orientation		Ar			Ar			Ar	
Total =	-57.76 kcal/mol								
van der Waals =	66.08 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =	-272.73 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-27.38 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	3.36 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-25.51 kcal/mol								

**Table 3.87: The solution phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the LVFF region of the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Asp23	Gly29	Ala30
Initial Orientation			O		N		
Final Orientation					N		
Total =	123.73						
van der Waals =	103.26						
Electrostatic =	-200.65						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	0.60						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	17.89						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-14.80						
Initial Orientation				Ar		O	Ar
Final Orientation				C			
				N			
				C			
				Ar			
Total =	102.99						
van der Waals =	79.96						
Electrostatic =	-204.35						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-20.15						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-5.41						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-18.51						
Initial Orientation				Ar	O		
Final Orientation				Ar	O		
Total =	156.39						
van der Waals =	99.94						
Electrostatic =	-219.35						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	33.26						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	14.57						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-33.50						

**Table 3.88: The solution phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the LVFF region of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Asp23
Initial Orientation		Ar			Ar		O
		C					
Final Orientation		Ar			Ar		O
		C					Ar
Total =	35.19 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	90.13 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-278.29 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-38.30 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-15.51 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-35.03 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	Ar				O		
Final Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total =	139.14 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	98.58 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-242.23 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	65.65 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-7.05 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	1.04 kcal/mol						

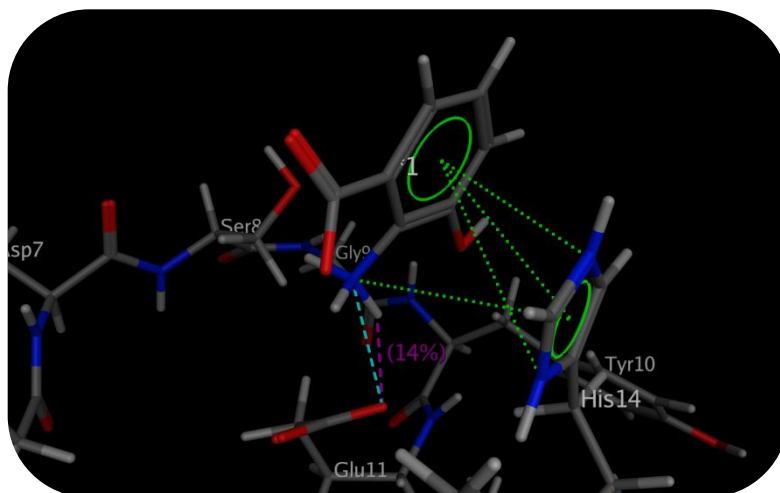


**Table 3.89: The solution phase results of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with the LVFF region of the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Asp23
Initial Orientation			O	Ar	
Final Orientation			O	Ar	
Total =	77.87 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	84.92 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-247.19 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-40.76 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-5.00 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-35.10 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation			Ar	Ar	
Final Orientation			Ar	N	O
Total =	86.52 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	82.26 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-242.68 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-32.11 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-7.66 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-30.59 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation			Ar	Ar	
Final Orientation			Ar	Ar	
Total =	112.51 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	92.53 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-221.60 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-6.11 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	2.60 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-9.51 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation	Ar			N	
Final Orientation	Ar			O	
Total =	108.56 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	84.58 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-219.34 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-10.07 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-5.35 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-7.25 kcal/mol				

### 3.7.4 CONCLUSIONS OF 3-HYDROXYANTHRANILIC ACID INTERACTING WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID IN SILICO

3-Hydroxyanthranilic acid demonstrates a capacity to bind to  $\beta$ -amyloid in both gas and solution phase environments. For the most part, the orientation of 3HAA tended to remain the same upon optimization in a solvated environment. An example of a binding interaction can be seen in Figure 3.8.



**Figure 3.8:** Binding interaction between 3HAA and  $\beta$ -amyloid. Dashed green lines indicate cation- $\pi$  interactions and aromatic-aromatic stacking interactions. The dashed purple line indicates formation of a hydrogen bond.

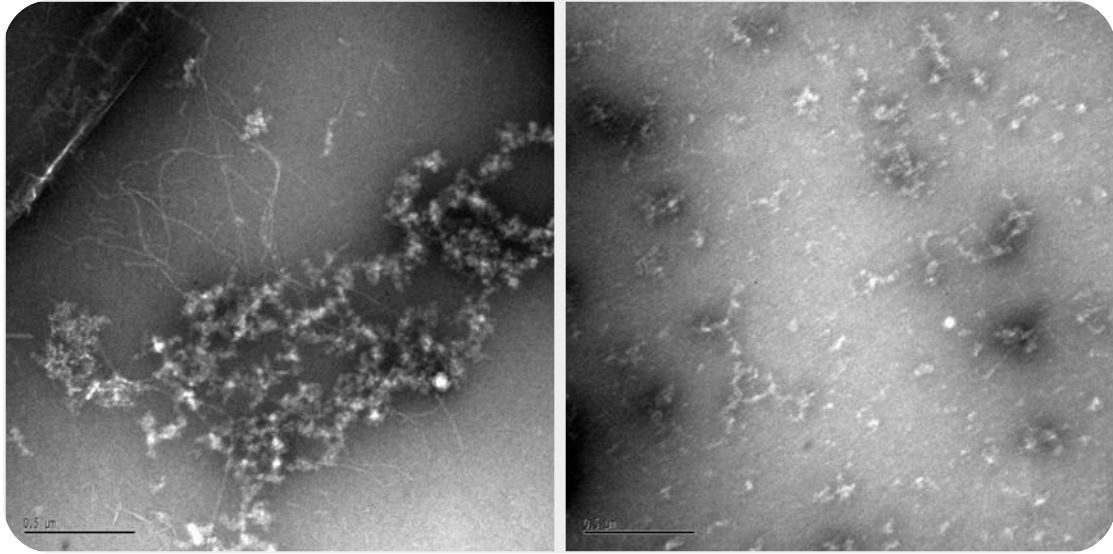
The LVFF region demonstrated the least potential for binding to the acid. This is likely due in part to the small size of the target molecule. Given that the amino group is so close to the aromatic ring of 3HAA, there was likely not enough distance between the two to interact with two side chains at the same time in this region. The same could be said for the hydroxyl group and the aromatic ring.

EVHHQK and HHQK combined to form the most favourable target region of A $\beta$  for binding to 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid. The His13-His14 and Glu11-His14 side chains

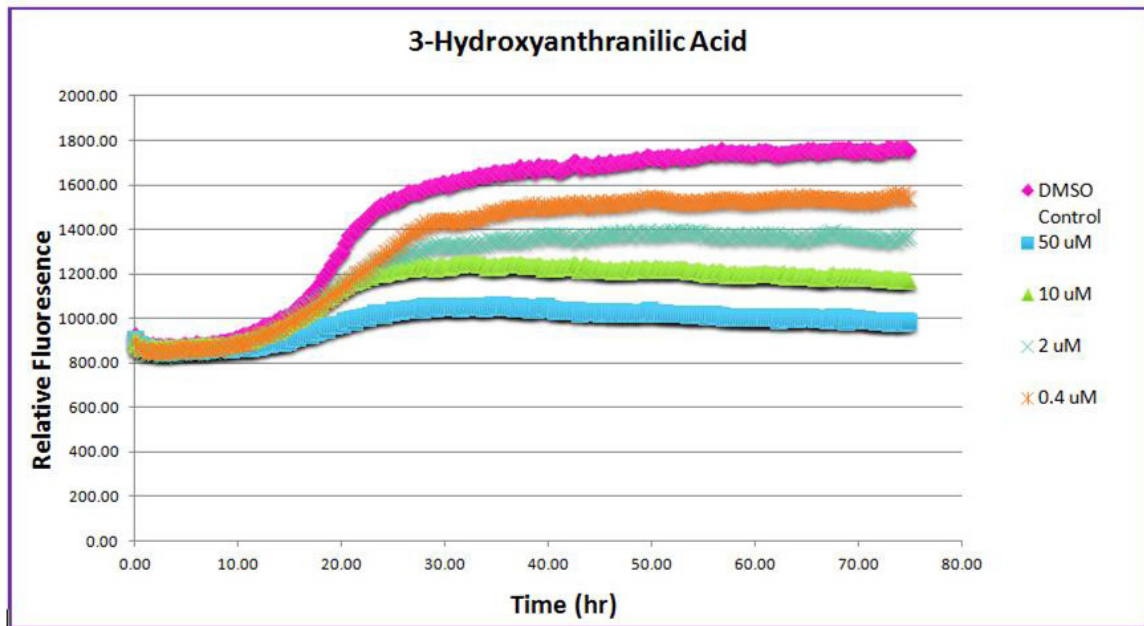
were the most favoured orientations where binding occurred between the acid and A $\beta$  at multiple sites. Interactions at His13 favoured the carboxylate group, while His14 interacted more so with the aromatic ring; in the case of interactions occurring at His14 and Glu11, His14 bound almost equally to the carboxylate group and the aromatic ring. The Glu11 site was favoured for interactions with both the aromatic ring and the amino group of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid. 3HAA therefore presents itself as a viable molecule for acting as an anti-aggregant.

### **3.8 BIOLOGICAL SUPPORT OF 3-HYDROXYANTHRANILIC ACID AS A LEAD MOLECULE**

Given the results of screening the library of endogenous compounds, several compounds were selected for *in vitro* testing to determine whether they could indeed act as anti-aggregants. 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid was subjected to *in vitro* assays, and demonstrated a capacity to inhibit A $\beta$  aggregation. The results of TEM scans of A $\beta$  in presence and absence of 3HAA are shown in Figure 3.9 and were performed by Rose Chen. It can be seen that only diffuse aggregates of A $\beta$  form in the presence of the acid when compared to the control.



**Figure 3.9:** Transmission electron microscopy (TEM) of A $\beta$ <sub>40</sub> (20  $\mu$ M) in the absence (left) and presence (right) of 3-HAA (100  $\mu$ M). A mixture of fibrillar and diffuse A $\beta$  aggregates can be seen on the left, while the incubation containing 3-HA contains only diffuse aggregates on the right. For both micrographs, scale bar represents 0.5  $\mu$ m.



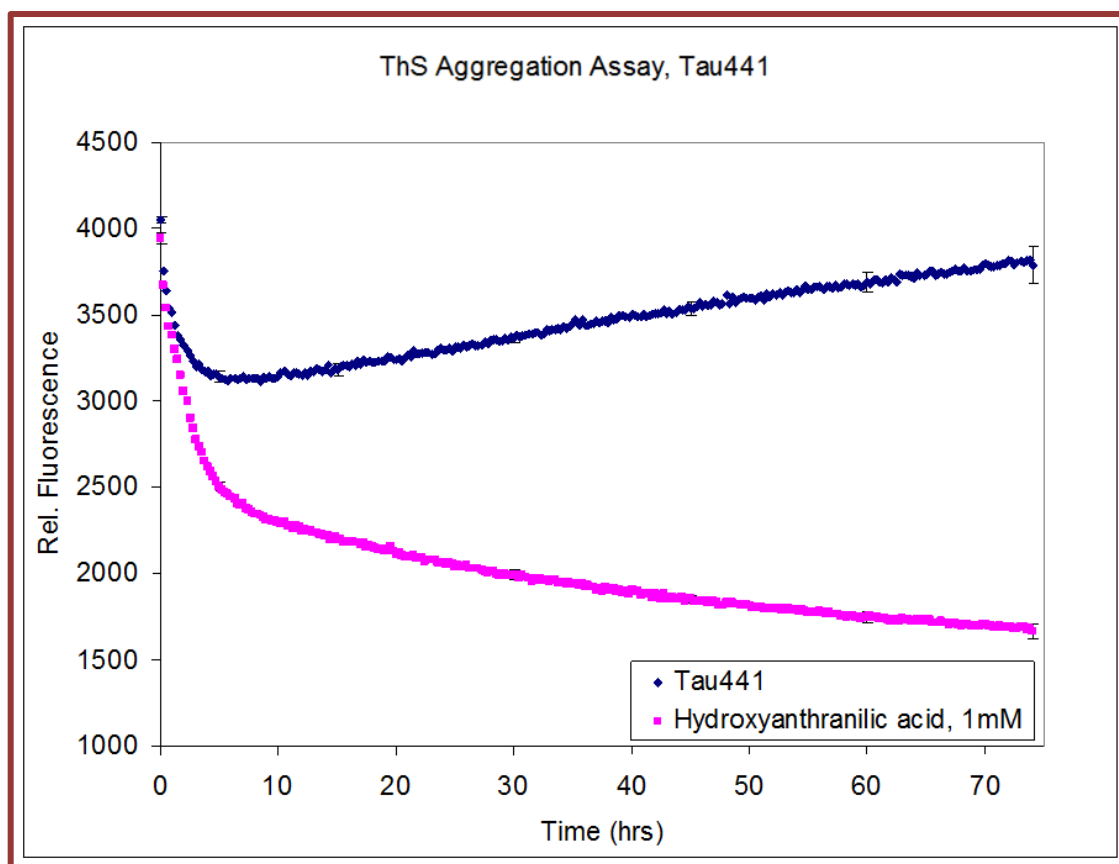
**Figure 3.10:** Thioflavin-T assay of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid at various concentrations interacting with A $\beta$

Figure 3.10 shows the results of a thioflavin T (ThT) assay of 3HAA at various concentrations, and its effect on the amount of aggregated  $\beta$ -amyloid. This method is also

used to calculate the  $IC_{50}$ , which is the half maximal inhibitory concentration (the amount of compound needed to inhibit a biological process by half).

The thioflavin T assay measures fluorescence in regards to  $\beta$ -amyloid aggregation. ThT is a dye that fluoresces when it binds to aggregated  $A\beta$ , if there is less aggregation occurring, there will be less fluorescence observed. As the concentration of 3HAA increases, the amount of fluorescence occurring decreases; this indicates that binding is occurring to prevent aggregation. Dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO) is used as a control as it does not affect the aggregation of  $A\beta$ . The methodology for this assay is given in Appendix 5. The thioflavin T assays were performed by Gordon Simms.

Thioflavin S is used in a similar fashion to thioflavin T but for examining tau aggregation. As tau is also an important factor in AD, a molecule that can inhibit aggregation in both  $\beta$ -amyloid and tau is desirable. The results of the thioflavin S assay (performed by Rose Chen) of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid are shown in Figure 3.11.



**Figure 3.11: Thioflavin S assay of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid interacting with tau**

3HAA also exhibits an inhibitory effect on tau aggregation. The positive results of the *in silico* and *in vitro* binding of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid with  $\beta$ -amyloid lead to the selection of the compound as a lead molecule for further developing analogues in an attempt to improve its binding efficiency.

### **3.9 A QUANTITATIVE STRUCTURE-ACTIVITY RELATIONSHIP STUDY OF 3-HYDROXYANTHRANILIC ACID AND ITS ANALOGUES**

In collaboration with Gordon Simms, research was performed to develop a series of analogues based on 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid using a quantitative structure-activity relationship (QSAR) study. This QSAR was used to predict the activity of molecules to

determine which would be best to synthesize and test for anti-aggregant activity. A QSAR uses a variety of descriptors covering geometry, electronic features, physicochemical properties and topological indices to correlate biological activity [39].

### **3.9.1 DEVELOPMENT OF A SERIES OF ANALOGUES BASED ON 3-HYDROXYANTHRANILIC ACID**

The first step in the QSAR process was to develop a series of analogues of 3HAA to be synthesized for *in vitro* testing to determine their IC<sub>50</sub>, which is the half maximal inhibitory concentration (the amount of compound needed to inhibit a biological process by half), and therefore the activity of the compounds. In collaboration, a series of fifty compounds was designed based on the use of bioisosteric substitution.

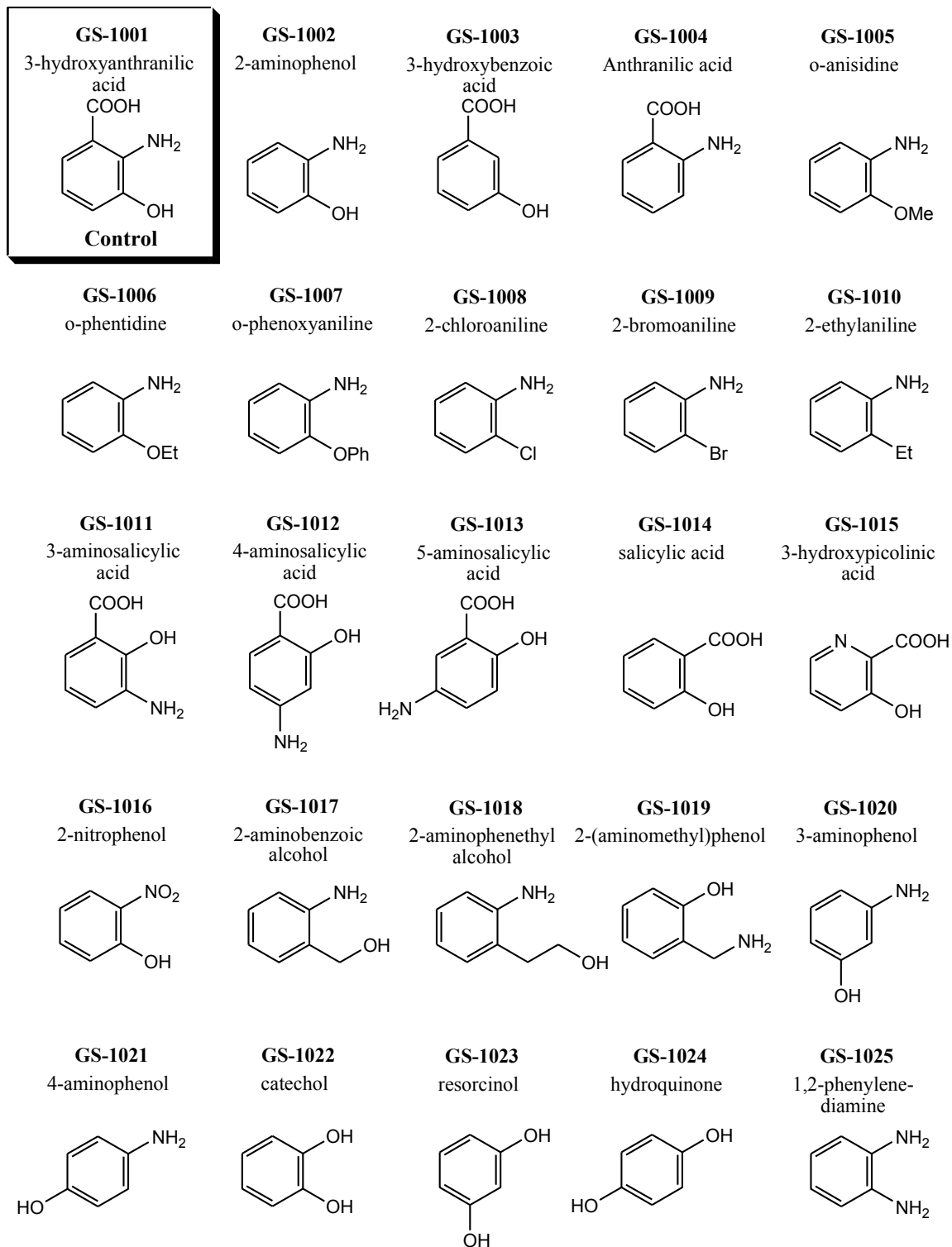
Bioisosteric substitution involves replacing functional groups on the molecule of interest with other groups having either similar charge distributions or size, for example. The purpose is to attempt to improve the biological activity of the compound by replacing certain functional groups with others that mimic the electronegativity, spatial arrangement or lipophilicity of that area [90]. If, for example, the spatial arrangement is maintained by replacing a hydrogen atom with fluorine, the effect of a greater electronegativity on the activity of the molecule can be seen [90, 91]. Some bioisosteric substitutions can be made to improve stability and lipophilicity; replacing a carboxylate group with tetrazole matches the acidity, while allowing for more stability and lipophilicity that would allow penetration of the blood-brain barrier [91].

For these analogues, substitution could occur at any point on the ring, with the carboxylate, amino and hydroxyl groups having the most possibilities for substitution.

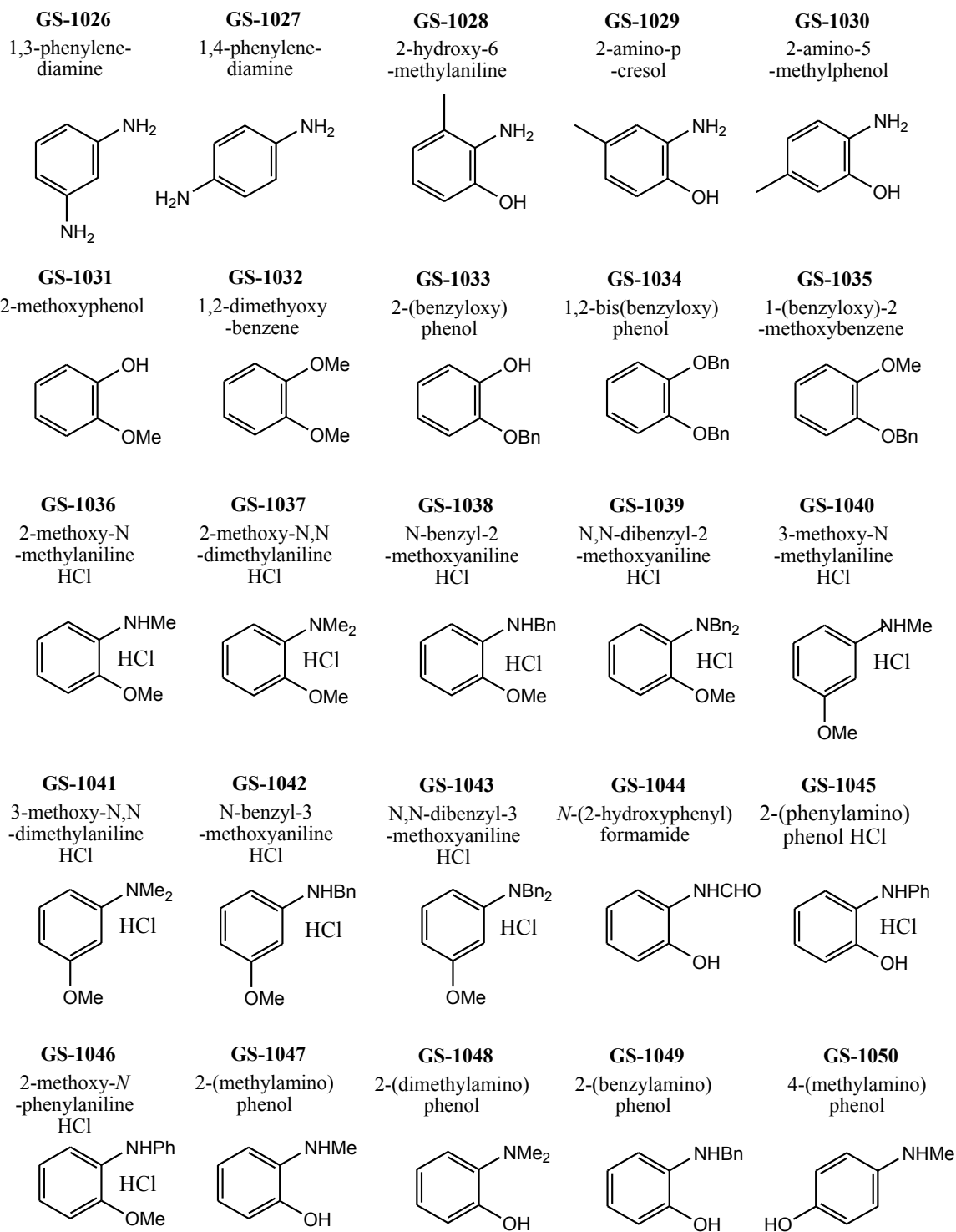
The list of analogues developed though these are detailed with their name, structure, and series identifier in Figures 3.12 and 3.13.

The activities measured for these compounds are given in Table 3.90.





**Figure 3.12: 3HAA analogues 1-25**



**Figure 3.13: 3HAA analogues 26-50**

**Table 3.90: 3HAA analogues and their calculated IC<sub>50</sub>s**

Compound Identifier	Calculated IC <sub>50</sub> (μM)
GS-1001	5.05
GS-1002	4.545
GS-1003	> 300
GS-1004	> 300
GS-1005	> 300
GS-1006	> 300
GS-1007	297.95
GS-1008	> 300
GS-1009	> 300
GS-1010	> 300
GS-1011	> 300
GS-1012	> 300
GS-1013	9.999
GS-1014	> 300
GS-1015	> 300
GS-1016	> 300
GS-1017	> 300
GS-1018	> 300
GS-1019	> 300
GS-1020	> 300
GS-1021	2.323
GS-1022	8.2315
GS-1023	> 300
GS-1024	12.8775
GS-1025	> 300
GS-1026	> 300
GS-1027	1.818
GS-1028	2.424
GS-1029	21.816
GS-1030	14.3925
GS-1031	> 300
GS-1032	> 300
GS-1033	> 300
GS-1034	> 300
GS-1035	> 300
GS-1036	> 300
GS-1037	> 300
GS-1038	> 300
GS-1039	> 300
GS-1040	> 300
GS-1041	> 300
GS-1042	> 300
GS-1043	> 300
GS-1044	262.6
GS-1045	2.727
GS-1046	> 300
GS-1047	6.9185
GS-1048	8.888
GS-1049	2.5755
GS-1050	2.02

### **3.9.2 DEVELOPMENT OF A QSAR FOR ACTIVITY PREDICTION**

Using the structural data and biological activities, the 3HAA analogues were divided into two sets: a training set, and a validation set. The training set is used to develop the QSAR equation for predicting activity, and the validation set is used to determine how accurate that equation truly is.

Initial attempts divided the fifty analogues into a training set of 33 compounds and a validation set of 17 compounds. The structures were optimized in MOE, and the  $pIC_{50}$  was calculated from each  $IC_{50}$  [87]. All descriptors available in MOE were calculated for the training set, and those with zero contribution were eliminated. The partial least squares (PLS) method was first used; however despite changes to the size and components of the training set, as well as the number of descriptors calculated, this method proved to be ineffective at predicting compound activity. It appears that the biological data does not provide enough range for the PLS method, as the compounds were all either highly active or very inactive.

### **3.9.3 DEVELOPMENT OF A BINARY QSAR TO PREDICT 3HAA ANALOGUE ACTIVITY**

A successful QSAR was developed in MOE using a binary method of relating descriptors to activity. For this method, compounds are considered to be either active or inactive, and each descriptor is tested to see if it is valid for both the active and inactive species. This proved to be a more suitable approach to the QSAR as the synthesized compounds exhibited either high activity or complete inactivity. The QSAR used a training set of 34 molecules, containing a mixture of active and inactive species, with attempts to include representations of the different molecular substitutions. The threshold

for activity was set for a  $\text{pIC}_{50}$  (the negative log of the  $\text{IC}_{50}$ ) of -2.0, and all of the available descriptors in MOE were calculated. These descriptors were narrowed down by first eliminating those with values of zero, or identical values for all species. Once these descriptors were removed, the relative importance of the remaining descriptors as well as their effect on the predictive capacity was used to narrow the field. Descriptors were removed one at time, and their effect on the predictivity of the QSAR was examined, those whose removal resulted in increased predictivity were eliminated, while those whose removal resulted in a decreased predictivity were retained. Furthermore, descriptors having similar functions were also weeded down by seeing which had a more positive impact on the prediction; the MOE system contains a large variety of descriptors, some of which have identical functions but that are calculated by different means (e.g. the heat of formation can be calculated by AM1, PM3 or MNDO). Thus descriptors were gradually eliminated until a reasonable prediction of activity versus inactivity could be obtained using a small amount of descriptors (as the more descriptors present, the greater the risk of overfitting the data, which would result in a QSAR with poor predictivity for molecules outside the training set).

The final system is composed of 9 descriptors and a short summary of their function is summarized in Table 3.91.

**Table 3.91: Descriptors used in the QSAR for 3HAA**

Descriptor	Function
PM3-HF	The heat of formation calculated using the PM3 Hamiltonian
SlogP_VSA5	Log of the octanol/water coefficient based on the accessible van der Waals surface area
SMR_VSA0 SMR_VSA1 SMR_VSA4 SMR_VSA5	Contributions to the molar refractivity based on the accessible van der Waals surface area falling within a specific range
vdw_vol	Calculates the van der Waals volume
vsa_don	Approximate sum of the van der Waals surface areas of pure hydrogen bond donors
vsurf_W2	Hydrophilic volume

Using these nine descriptors, a total accuracy of 0.97 was obtained for the training set that can be broken down to 0.92 for the active molecules and 1.00 for the inactive analogues. The total accuracy on the actives is considered the sensitivity of the model, that is the measure of the number of actives that were correctly predicted, while the total accuracy on the inactives is considered the specificity, that is the measure of the number of inactives that were correctly predicted. Cross-validation statistics indicate a total accuracy of 0.91 for the model, which can be broken down to 0.83 for the active molecules and 0.95 for the inactive molecules. Cohen's kappa (a statistical measure of agreement for binary systems) was calculated to be 0.93 for the training set, which is an excellent value indicating good agreement between the observed and predicted values. The kappa value also takes into consideration the possibility of this agreement occurring by chance.

When the QSAR model was applied to the validation set, four false positives and one false negative were identified. The predicted activities were given as a scale from 0

(inactive) to 1 (active). Compounds were therefore judged to be active if the predicted value was above 0.5. It should be noted that one of the molecules in the validation set that was incorrectly predicted as active had a prediction value of 0.5012. The Cohen's kappa value for the validation set was 0.23, which is a fair value, but not as good as seen in the training set; this number would increase to 0.35 if the compound with a prediction value of 0.5012 was assigned as inactive. The measured sensitivity and selectivity of the applied model are 0.67 and 0.77, respectively. The results of this QSAR are summarized in Table 3.92.

**Table 3.92: Predicted activities for the training and validations sets of 3HAA analogues 1-50**

Training Set			Validation Set		
Compound ID	IC <sub>50</sub> ( $\mu$ M)	Predicted Activity	Compound ID	IC <sub>50</sub> ( $\mu$ M)	Predicted Activity
GS-1001	5.05	Active	GS-1007	297.95	Inactive
GS-1002	4.545	Active	GS-1008	300	Inactive
GS-1003	300	Inactive	GS-1013	9.999	Active
GS-1004	300	Inactive	GS-1016	300	<b>Active</b>
GS-1005	300	Inactive	GS-1017	300	Inactive
GS-1006	300	Inactive	GS-1019	300	<b>Active</b>
GS-1009	300	Inactive	GS-1021	2.323	Active
GS-1010	300	Inactive	GS-1023	300	<b>Active</b>
GS-1011	300	Inactive	GS-1032	300	Inactive
GS-1012	300	Inactive	GS-1034	300	Inactive
GS-1014	300	Inactive	GS-1037	300	Inactive
GS-1015	300	Inactive	GS-1038	300	Inactive
GS-1018	300	Inactive	GS-1040	300	Inactive
GS-1020	300	Inactive	GS-1042	300	<b>Active</b>
GS-1022	8.2315	Active	GS-1046	300	Inactive
GS-1024	12.8775	Active	GS-1048	8.888	<b>Inactive</b>
GS-1025	300	Inactive			
GS-1026	300	Inactive			
GS-1027	1.818	<b>Inactive</b>			
GS-1028	2.424	Active			
GS-1029	21.816	Active			
GS-1030	14.3925	Active			
GS-1031	300	Inactive			
GS-1033	300	Inactive			
GS-1035	300	Inactive			
GS-1036	300	Inactive			
GS-1039	300	Inactive			
GS-1041	300	Inactive			
GS-1043	300	Inactive			
GS-1044	262.6	Inactive			
GS-1045	2.727	Active			
GS-1047	6.9185	Active			
GS-1049	1.616	Active			
GS-1050	2.02	Active			



#### **3.9.4 PREDICTION OF ACTIVITY OF A SERIES OF ANALOGUES BASED ON 3-HYDROXYANTHRANILIC ACID**

The binary QSAR demonstrated its potential to correctly predict the activity of the first series of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid analogues to a moderate level; therefore, this combination of descriptors was deemed useful and was used to predict the activity of a second set of analogues composed of 86 new molecules. The full list of structures is given in Appendix 7, along with their predicted activity.

From the 86 analogues, 39 were predicted to be active. To date twenty-six analogues have been synthesized from this new series, containing a mixture of active and inactive compounds. Some inactive compounds were included to verify that the prediction was accurate enough for further use. The synthesized analogues are shown in Figure 3.14, and are currently undergoing biological testing to determine the IC<sub>50</sub> values. Initial data has been provided to determine if the compounds are active or inactive, and the results are compared to the predicted values in Table 3.93.

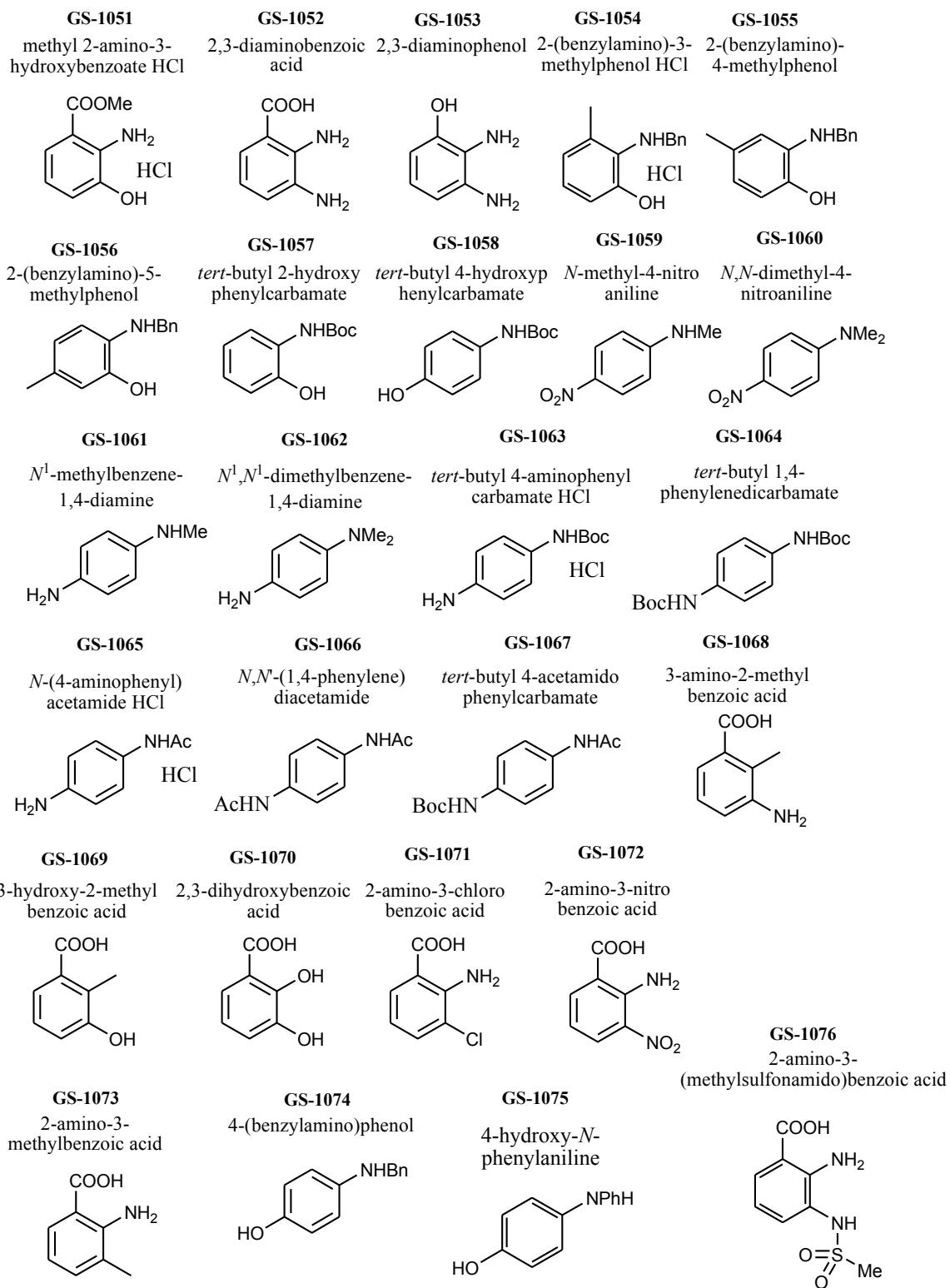


Figure 3.14: 3HAA analogues 51-76

**Table 3.93: Predicted and observed activities of analogues 51-76 of 3HAA**

<u>Compound ID</u>	<u>Predicted Activity</u>	<u>Biological Activity</u>
GS-1051	<b>Inactive</b>	Active
GS-1052	Inactive	Inactive
GS-1053	Active	Active
GS-1054	Active	Active
GS-1055	Active	Active
GS-1056	Active	Active
GS-1057	Active	Active
GS-1058	Active	Active
GS-1059	Active	Active
GS-1060	Active	Active
GS-1061	Active	Active
GS-1062	Active	Active
GS-1063	Active	Active
GS-1064	<b>Active</b>	Inactive
GS-1065	<b>Inactive</b>	Active
GS-1066	<b>Active</b>	Inactive
GS-1067	<b>Active</b>	Inactive
GS-1068	Inactive	Inactive
GS-1069	Inactive	Inactive
GS-1070	Inactive	Inactive
GS-1071	Inactive	Inactive
GS-1072	Active	Active
GS-1073	Inactive	Inactive
GS-1074	Active	Active
GS-1075	Active	Active
GS-1076	Active	Active

The results of the QSAR predictions are quite accurate. Of the twenty-six compounds synthesized to date, the biological activity was correctly predicted for twenty-one of the system for an 81 percent accurate prediction. In total, three compounds were incorrectly predicted to be active, and two predicted to be inactive. The specificity is therefore calculated to be 0.75, with a selectivity of 0.83. Cohen's kappa indicates a correlation between the predicted and observed values of 0.56, which can be considered a

moderately good result. Therefore the data can be used to determine if any more of the compounds in the series should be synthesized as well.

Once the  $IC_{50}$ s of these newly synthesized analogues are calculated, the data will be incorporated to make a new training set of compounds for the QSAR to better improve its predictive ability. The technique has so far proved useful and quite accurate in selecting novel compounds for synthesis. This is an iterative process, and will be repeated as many times as necessary in order to design the best lead molecule capable of binding to  $\beta$ -amyloid to prevent aggregation

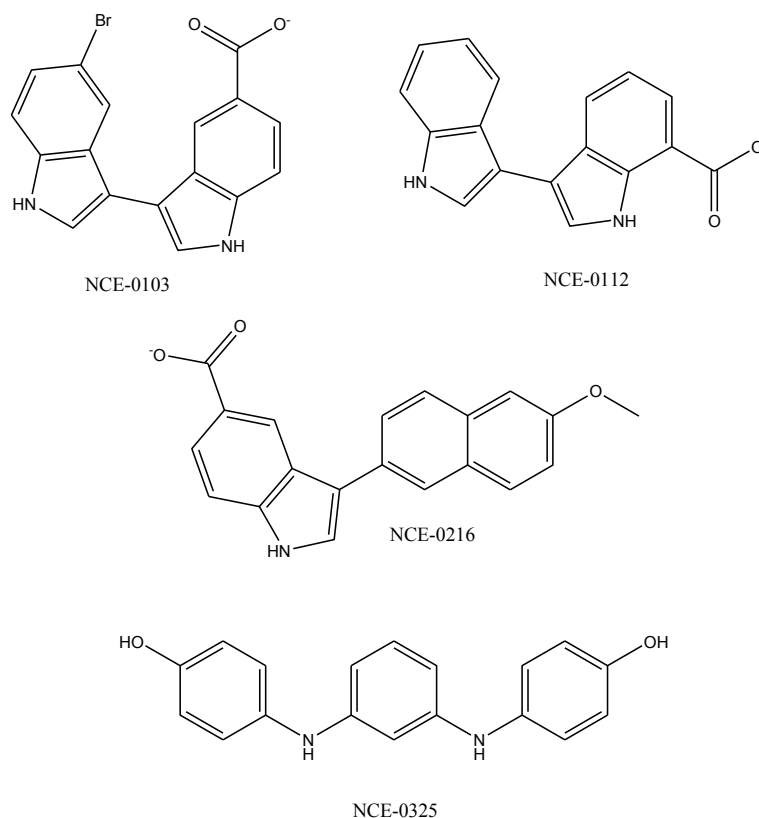
### **3.10 NOVEL BI-AROMATIC COMPOUNDS TARGETING THE BBXB REGION OF PROTEINS INVOLVED IN ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE**

As mentioned previously, there exists a common motif among several proteins involved in AD. The motif follows the pattern of **BBXB** where B is any basic amino acid, and X represents any other amino acid (and can include basic amino acids as well). Previous research by the Weaver group has identified twenty-seven proteins implicated in the Alzheimer's disease process that contain this **BBXB** motif [41].

We postulate that a single molecule can act as a promiscuous drug to target this common motif [41]. A single drug capable of acting on multiple targets involved in AD would allow for better treatment, not only inhibiting  $\beta$ -amyloid aggregation, but diffusing some of the negative effects caused by inflammatory responses in the region of  $A\beta$  aggregation.

Four bi-aromatic molecules developed by the Weaver group were selected to test their capacity to act as promiscuous drug molecules targeting the **BBXB** region of these

proteins. The four compounds are NCE-0103, NCE-0112, NCE-0216 and NCE-0325 (Figure 3.15), where NCE stands for novel chemical entity.



**Figure 3.15: NCE-0103, NCE-0112, NCE-0216, and NCE-0325**

Of the twenty-seven identified proteins, several were not viable options for this study. Although tau plays a major role in AD, there are currently no structures available of the protein in the RCSB protein data bank and thus it could not be examined for potential interactions with these four compounds. Interleukin-1 receptor 1 and interleukin-10 were not studied, and interleukin-6, hemochromatosis protein and the class II major histocompatibility complex had **BBXB** regions that were inaccessible upon optimization in QUANTA [46]. The only structure of interleukin 3 available in the RCSB PDB contained mutations in the **BBXB** region and was not a viable option for study.

Gas phase optimizations were performed to determine if these lead compounds could interact with the **BBXB** region on each of the remaining proteins: S100 $\beta$ , complement component 1, q subcomponent, A chain, (C1qA), interferon-gamma (IFN- $\gamma$ ), acetylcholinesterase (AChE), apolipoprotein  $\epsilon$ 4 (Apo $\epsilon$ 4), interleukin-1  $\beta$  converting enzyme (IL-1 $\beta$ CE), interleukin 4 (IL-4), interleukin 12 (IL-12), interleukin 13 (IL-13), alpha-1-antichymotrypsin ( $\alpha$ <sub>1</sub>-ACT), betaine-homocysteine methyl transferase (BHMT), T lymphocyte activation antigen (B7-1), intercellular adhesion molecule 1 (ICAM-1), macrophage inflammatory protein-1 $\alpha$  (MIP-1 $\alpha$ ), macrophage inflammatory protein-1 $\beta$  (MIP-1 $\beta$ ), stromal cell-derived factor-1 (SDF-1), neprilysin (NEP), transferrin, and regulated upon activation, normal T-cell expressed, and secreted (RANTES).

The **BBXB** motif for each protein is detailed in Table 3.94, and some have more than one **BBXB** region available.

**Table 3.94: Identification of the amino acids composing the BBXB motif**

Protein	BBXB amino acids			
	B	B	X	B
$\alpha_1$ -ACT	Lysine	Arginine	Tryptophan	Arginine
A $\beta$	Histidine	Histidine	Glutamine	Lysine
AChE	Arginine	Arginine	Phenylalanine	Arginine
Apo $\epsilon$ 4	Lysine	Arginine	Leucine	Histidine
	Lysine	Arginine	Leucine	Lysine
	Arginine	Lysine	Leucine	Arginine
B7-1	Lysine	Arginine	Glutamic Acid	Histidine
BHMT	Lysine	Arginine	Alanine	Arginine
C1qA	Lysine	Lysine	Glycine	Histidine
ICAM-1	Arginine	Arginine	Aspartic Acid	Histidine
	Histidine	Histidine	Aspartic Acid	Arginine
IFN- $\gamma$	Lysine	Lysine	Lysine	Arginine
IL-1 $\beta$ CE	Lysine	Lysine	Alanine	Histidine
IL-4	Histidine	Histidine	Glutamic Acid	Lysine
	Histidine	Arginine	Histidine	Lysine
IL-12	Histidine	Lysine	Leucine	Lysine
IL-13	Lysine	Lysine	Leucine	Histidine
MIP-1 $\alpha$	Lysine	Arginine	Serine	Arginine
MIP-1 $\beta$	Lysine	Arginine	Serine	Lysine
Neprilysin	Lysine	Arginine	Cysteine	Histidine
	Lysine	Lysine	Leucine	Arginine
RANTES	Arginine	Lysine	Asparagine	Arginine
S100 $\beta$	Histidine	Lysine	Leucine	Lysine
	Lysine	Lysine	Leucine	Lysine
SDF-1	Lysine	Histidine	Leucine	Lysine
Transferrin	Lysine	Lysine	Glycine	Arginine

### 3.10.1 PREPARATION OF THE LEAD MOLECULES AND PROTEINS

Gas phase minimizations were performed to find the lowest energy systems for each of the four lead molecules and the proteins. For the four lead compounds, the molecules were constructed in QUANTA and subjected to systematic conformational

searches; each torsional angle was rotated from 0-330° in 30° increments, and the lowest energy structure resulting from this scan was selected [46]. The energies of these systems are given in Table 3.95.

**Table 3.95: Energies of the four NCE molecules**

Compound	Energy (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$
NCE-0103	45.51	5.65	-5.10
NCE-0112	56.04	4.96	23.45
NCE-0216	42.70	12.64	-0.90
NCE-0325	-22.50	3.06	-36.34

The proteins underwent different processing as necessary to prepare them for optimization in the QUANTA environment [46]. The details for interleukins 4, 12 and 13, ICAM-1, S100 $\beta$  and RANTES are given in Chapter 2, Sections 2.7.1.1-2.7.1.6. The remaining proteins were prepared as follows.

### **3.10.1.1 $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

The  $\beta$ -amyloid protein is believed to be the causative factor in Alzheimer's disease, initiating a cascade of neurotoxic events when it undergoes misfolding [8, 9]. The optimized structure of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid used in previous optimization with dopamine and phenylalanine was used for this project.

### **3.10.1.2 $\alpha_1$ -ACT**

Although the precise function of  $\alpha_1$ -ACT is unknown, it is believed to play an anti-inflammatory role [92]. This protein is found localized in the amyloid plaques in the brain [81]. The PDB structure, 1QMN, was downloaded into MOE, where hydrogen



atoms were added, the histidine residues protonated, and then the file was formatted for QUANTA [46, 47]. Upon importation, there was a carboxylate group incorrectly constructed as an aldehyde group that was retyped before the protein backbone was constrained and the system was minimized via steepest descents.

### **3.10.1.3 AChE**

Acetylcholinesterase is the enzyme involved in the metabolism of acetylcholine, and levels of the acetylcholine neurotransmitter decline with the progression of AD [6, 7]. The structure of AChE was downloaded from the PDB (as 2J3D) into MOE [47, 93]. Hydrogen atoms were added, solvent and other substances removed, and the histidine residues were protonated before being imported into QUANTA [46]. The structure was minimized using steepest descents with a constrained protein backbone.

### **3.10.1.4 Apoε4**

The apolipoprotein ε4 is an isoform of the protein, which normally plays a role in maintaining and repairing neurons; the ε4 isoform is linked to AD, and its mode of action remains to be determined [94]. The 1G39 entry of the PDB was downloaded, and in MOE actions were taken to remove solvent, add hydrogen atoms and protonate histidine [47, 95]. The structure was imported into QUANTA and underwent gas phase optimization using the steepest descents algorithm with a constrained protein backbone [46].

### **3.10.1.5 B7-1**

The B7-1 protein is located on the surface of antigen-presenting cells, and plays a role in signalling immune response when binding to white blood cells [96]. The PDB structure, 1DR9, was protonated for physiological pH after extraneous molecules were

deleted and hydrogen atoms added to the structure [96]. The protein required some asparagine residues and carboxylate groups to be corrected as well; the system was then optimized with a constrained protein backbone via steepest descents.

#### **3.10.1.6 BHMT**

The betaine-homocysteine methyl transferase enzyme exerts a role in cellular and plasma levels of homocysteine [97]. It has been suggested that elevated levels of homocysteine may play a role in AD [97]. For this structure, identified by 1LT8, preparation involved adding hydrogen atoms, removing solvent, zinc, and an identical chain, and finally protonating the His residues before importation in QUANTA, and following the same optimization scheme as the other proteins [46, 97].

#### **3.10.1.7 C1qA**

The C1q protein (PDB entry 2JG9) plays a role in clearing apoptotic cells by binding to the surface of these cells to signal phagocytes to engulf them, and plays a role in controlling the inflammatory process [98]. As in the case of the previous proteins, before minimization (with a constrained protein backbone) in QUANTA, the protein first needed hydrogen atoms added to the structure, solvent and extraneous molecules removed and the histidine residues protonated [46].

#### **3.10.1.8. IFN- $\gamma$**

Interferon- $\gamma$  is a cytokine that exerts immunomodulatory effects, and exists in a dimeric form [99]. IL-12 can increase the production of this inflammatory protein, which activates natural killer cells that lead to cell death [22, 69]. Solvent molecules were deleted, hydrogen atoms added and histidine residues protonated, with the C terminal

carboxylate corrected for the 1EKU structure of IFN- $\gamma$  before optimization in QUANTA [46, 99].

### ***3.10.1.9 IL-1 $\beta$ CE***

This enzyme plays a role in producing the inflammatory cytokine, interleukin-1 $\beta$  and may play a role in regulating the programmed cell death of neuronal cells [100]. The same process of preparing the protein was followed as in Section 3.2.8.1.3.

### ***3.10.1.10 MIP-1 $\alpha$ AND MIP-1 $\beta$***

These macrophage inflammatory proteins play a role as chemoattractants, initiating inflammatory responses [101]. They can play a role in activating white blood cells to bind to other cells for their removal [101]. Both 2X69 and 2X6L (MIP-1 $\alpha$  and MIP-1 $\beta$ , respectively) were imported directly into QUANTA, where the protein backbone was constrained and minimization occurred via steepest descents.

### ***3.10.1.11 NEP***

Neutral endopeptidase, or neprilysin, is involved in the degradation of a peptide exhibiting vasodilatory and diuretic activities [102]. The structure, 2YB9, was prepared by adding hydrogen atoms, removing solvent and other molecules, and protonating the histidine residues [102]. Optimization in QUANTA followed the same method as the other proteins.

### ***3.10.1.12 SDF-1***

SDF-1 is another pro-inflammatory protein that acts as a chemoattractant for various types of white blood cells [103]. Its PDB structure, 2SDF, required only

protonation for physiological pH before it was imported into QUANTA and optimized [5, 103].

### **3.10.1.13 TRANSFERRIN**

Transferrin, as its name implies, binds to iron and transports it throughout the body [104]. The release of iron is in part triggered by lower pH and iron is one of the metal ions found located in A $\beta$  plaques, which tends towards lower pH [81, 104]. The transferrin protein, 3S9N, was prepared by deleting extraneous chains, adding hydrogen atoms, and then correcting numerous side chains that were lacking the R group before ensuring the system was charged for physiological pH and imported into QUANTA [46].

### **3.10.2 GAS PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF THE NCE COMPOUNDS WITH BBXB**

Optimizations of these compounds with the **BBXB** region of the various proteins was set up such that the functional groups/aromatic rings of the NCE compounds were approximately 3.0 Å away from two of the basic amino acids in the **BBXB** region of the protein being examined. Each system was minimized with a constrained protein backbone via steepest descents.

The binding energies were calculated using the following equations:

$$\Delta E_{\text{tot}} = E_{\text{tot}} - E_{\text{BBXB}} - E_{\text{NCE}} \quad (3.20)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}} = E_{\text{vdw}} - E_{\text{vdwBBXB}} - E_{\text{vdwNCE}} \quad (3.21)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{ele}} = E_{\text{ele}} - E_{\text{eleBBXB}} - E_{\text{eleNCE}} \quad (3.23)$$

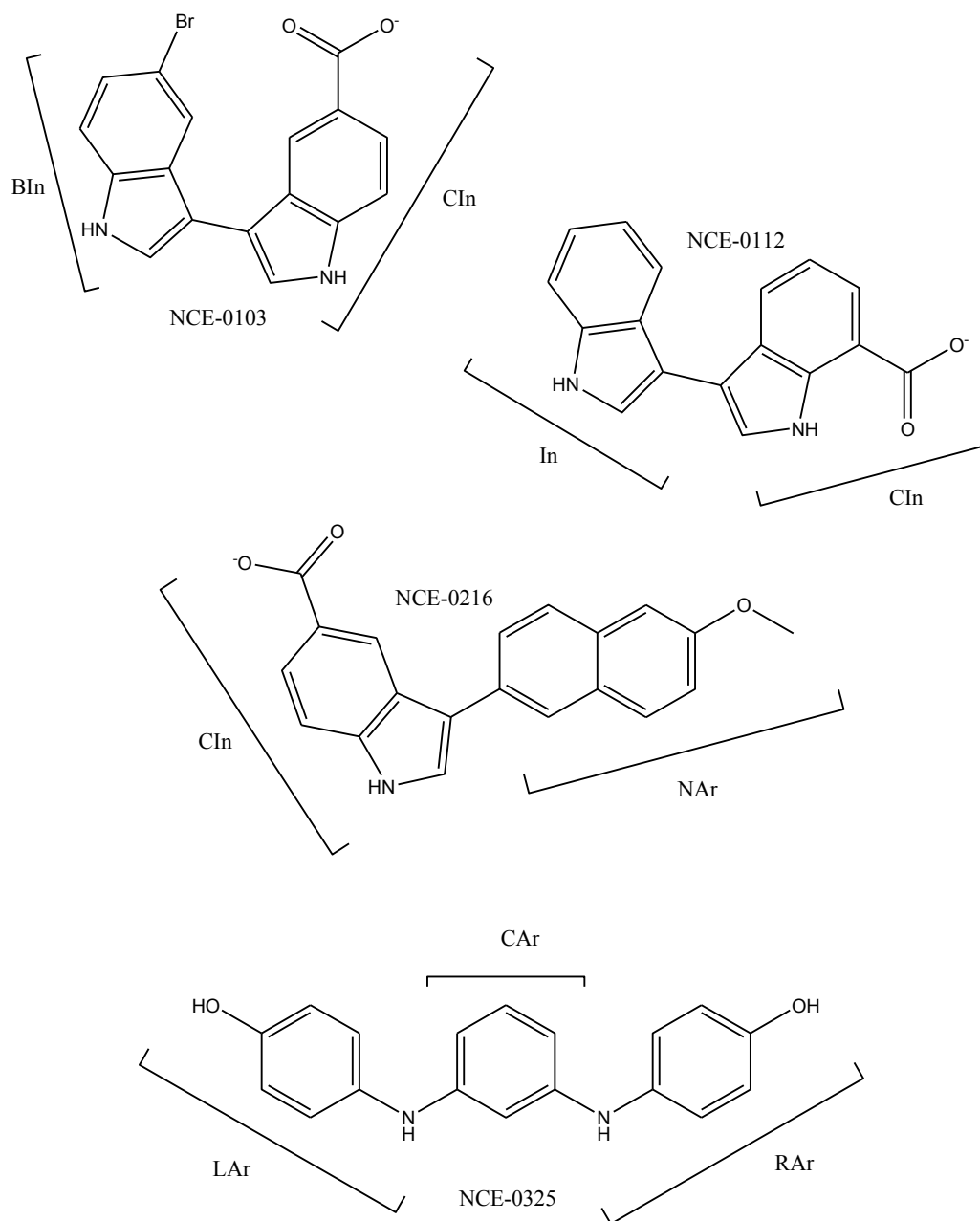
The total, van der Waals and electrostatic interactions were calculated for each gas phase system, where the energy of the protein was calculated with a constrained protein backbone. The energies of the proteins are summarized in Appendix 8.

Each of the optimized systems was imported into MOE to better determine what interactions were occurring between the ligand and the protein [47].

### 3.10.3 RESULTS OF THE OPTIMIZATION OF THE NCE COMPOUNDS WITH BBXB

The results of the optimizations are summarized in Tables 3.96-3.119. Amino acid side chains are represented by their single letter abbreviation followed by their number on the chain. The NCE compounds are represented by the abbreviations shown in Figure 3.16. The initial and final binding orientations are given, and the calculated energies. Different types of binding interactions are represented by different colours, and the darker the shade of the colour, the more that type of interaction is occurring at that site. Cation- $\pi$  and  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions are represented by blue and green, while hydrogen bonds are orange. Interactions with the  $-\text{CH}_2-$  chain on the amino acids (particularly common with lysine) are coloured indigo, while light purple indicates potential interactions with the  $\text{C}=\text{O}$  of the protein backbone; lime green represents those occurring with the  $-\text{CH}-$  of the backbone.

For IFN- $\gamma$ , MIP-1 $\alpha$ , MIP-1 $\beta$  and RANTES, there exist two identical **BBXB** motifs, either on the same chain, or on an identical chain. For these systems there are also tables summarizing systems optimized with two molecules of the NCE compounds, one at each site; the interactions are broken down in to (A) and (B) to show to which of the two identical motifs the molecule was binding.



**Figure 3.16: Regions of NCE compounds identified for interactions with BBXB**

**Table 3.96: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and  $\alpha_1$ -ACT**

$\alpha_1$ -ACT	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation							Binding Energy (kcal/mol)				
	K273	R274	W275	R276	E234	K273	R274	W275	R276	D277	S278	T381	Q384	Total	VdW	Ele
NCE 0103	CIn	BIn			BIn	CIn	BIn							-33.00	-11.13	-27.38
	BIn	CIn			CIn	BIn	CIn							-29.35	-14.34	-23.08
	BIn			CIn					CIn			CIn		-7.71	-9.15	-3.60
	CIn			BIn					BIn	CIn				-19.00	-13.03	-12.72
NCE 0112	CIn	In			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-22.98	-5.13	-22.02
	In	CIn				In	CIn							-40.43	-10.97	-34.30
	In			CIn		In			CIn	In				-25.65	-15.56	-17.15
	CIn			In		CIn			In	CIn		In		-21.74	-14.08	-11.03
NCE 0216	NAr	CIn			CIn		CIn							-19.44	-5.56	-20.42
	CIn	NAr				CIn	NAr							-28.52	-6.81	-26.18
	CIn			NAr		CIn/NAr			NAr	NAr		NAr		-29.37	-13.73	-21.38
	NAr			CIn					CIn	NAr				-17.17	-14.61	-6.66
NCE 0325	LAr	RAr			LAr	RAr					RAr			-21.64	-7.33	-17.36
	RAr	LAr			LAr	RAr	LAr							-15.89	-6.50	-11.66
	LAr			RAr					RAr	RAr				-24.80	-7.70	-19.76
	RAr			LAr		RAr			LAr	RAr				-34.76	-13.41	-26.15

**Table 3.97: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and A $\beta$**

A $\beta$	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation							Binding Energy (kcal/mol)		
	H13	H14	Q15	K16	Y10	H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	F20	Total	VdW	Ele
NCE 0103	CIn	BIn				CIn	BIn				CIn	-19.48	-11.54	-10.60
	BIn	CIn				BIn	CIn				BIn	-19.60	-10.73	-11.95
	BIn			CIn		BIn	CIn					-24.40	-8.03	-17.50
	CIn			BIn		CIn			CIn		CIn	-24.68	-9.00	-17.71
NCE 0112	CIn	In				CIn	In				CIn	-7.75	-7.36	-5.02
	In	CIn				In	CIn				CIn	-5.03	-6.23	-3.65
	In			CIn		In			CIn		CIn	-12.76	-4.63	-13.21
	CIn			In		CIn						-3.36	-4.03	-3.53
NCE 0216	NAr	CIn			CIn	NAr	CIn				CIn	-18.55	-11.32	-9.77
	CIn	NAr			NAr	CIn	NAr				NAr	-25.61	-11.97	-16.85
	CIn			NAr		CIn			NAr			-19.66	-9.60	-12.56
	NAr			CIn		NAr			CIn		CIn	-25.57	-9.69	-15.79
NCE 0325	LAr	RAr				LAr	RAr				CAr	-14.76	-8.96	-8.69
	RAr	LAr			LAr	RAr	LAr				RAr	-14.86	-6.33	-10.90
	LAr			RAr		LAr			RAr		RAr	-14.38	-6.27	-9.39
	RAr			LAr		RAr			LAr			-6.25	-2.65	-4.64

**Table 3.98: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and AChE**

AChE	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation							Binding Energy (kcal/mol)		
	R44	F45	R46	R47	R44	F45	R46	R47	E49	Q162	E163	Total	VdW	Ele
NCE 0103			BIn	CIn			CIn				CIn	-68.80	-7.81	59.10
			CIn	BIn								-9.39	-10.85	-6.75
NCE 0112			CIn	In	-	-			-	-	-	-36.31	-2.05	-38.94
			In	CIn			In	CIn	In	CIn		63.33	-8.16	81.98
NCE 0216			NAr	CIn			NAr				NAr	-63.19	-3.57	-68.11
			CIn	NAr						CIn		-10.06	-6.99	-5.15
NCE 0325			LAr	RAr			LAr	RAr			RAr	-81.74	1.42	-93.58
			RAr	LAr			RAr				RAr	-69.48	1.16	-79.18

**Table 3.99: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and Apoε4**

Apoε4	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation							Binding Energy (kcal/mol)		
	H140	L141	R142	K143	S139	H140	L141	R142	K143	L144	R145	Total	VdW	Ele
NCE 0103	BIn			CIn		BIn			CIn			-39.00	-13.59	-23.04
	CIn			BIn		CIn			BIn			-175.00	-24.64	-138.57
NCE 0112	In			CIn	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-128.35	-16.34	-103.07
	CIn			In	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-148.72	-16.67	-126.88
NCE 0216	CIn			NAr	NAr				NAr			-149.12	-19.83	-124.52
	NAr			CIn		CIn			CIn			-45.61	-16.18	-30.39
NCE 0325	LAr			RAr	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-26.73	-5.51	-21.42
	RAr			LAr	LAr	LAr			LAr			-171.95	-16.46	-150.56
	R142	K143	L144	R145	R38	A138	S139	R142	K143	L144	R145			
NCE 0103	BIn			CIn				BIn			CIn	83.40	-14.06	-70.35
	CIn			BIn				CIn				-17.35	-12.36	2.33
NCE 0112	In			CIn	CIn						CIn	-38.05	-14.49	-16.55
	CIn			In	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-253.86	-17.12	-219.42
NCE 0216	NAr	CIn				NAr	NAr				CIn	-43.02	-16.92	-26.85
	CIn	NAr			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-7.55	-7.70	3.31
	CIn			NAr				CIn			-	-132.40	-14.83	-105.05
	NAr			CIn	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-59.81	-9.04	-43.21
NCE 0325	LAr	RAr					LAr	LAr	RAr			-36.21	-12.52	-21.66
	RAr	LAr				LAr	LAr	RAr	LAr			-45.57	-12.99	-23.76
	LAr			RAr	RAr					RAr		-50.07	-12.95	-36.17
	RAr			LAr	LAr					LAr		-36.40	-12.28	-21.48
	K143	L144	R145	K146	R38	K143	L144	R145	K146	L149	D153			
NCE 0103			CIn	BIn	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-276.27	-17.07	-246.19
			BIn	CIn					CIn	CIn		-93.20	-12.75	-80.20
NCE 0112			CIn	In					In	In/CIn		-88.01	-11.47	-69.08
			In	CIn								-37.23	-10.94	-3.40
NCE 0216			NAr	CIn	NAr				CIn			-24.38	-13.61	-12.18
			CIn	NAr				CIn		NAr	NAr	-62.78	-13.92	-44.27
NCE 0325			LAr	RAr	LAr				RAr	CAr		-166.51	-19.01	-146.65
			RAr	LAr	RAr				LAr	RAr/CAr/LAr		-48.53	-16.26	-33.86



**Table 3.100: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and B7-1**

B7-1	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation				Binding Energy (kcal/mol)		
	K93	R94	E95	H96	K93	R94	E95	H96	Total	VdW	Ele
NCE 0103	CIn	BIn			CIn				-11.08	-3.64	-9.02
	BIn	CIn				CIn			-8.75	-4.35	-6.74
		BIn		CIn		BIn	CIn	CIn	-14.46	-4.02	-12.71
		CIn		BIn	-	-	-	-	-16.07	-0.53	-17.12
	BIn			CIn				CIn	-18.74	-5.08	-15.19
	CIn		BIn	-	-	-	-	-16.89	-0.17	-18.76	
NCE 0112	CIn	In			-	-	-	-	-5.39	-1.70	-4.95
	In	CIn			-	-	-	-	-1.01	-1.74	-0.77
		In		CIn	-	-	-	-	-8.32	-2.54	-7.43
		CIn		In		CIn			-12.32	-2.24	-14.31
	In			CIn	-	-	-	-	-8.90	-2.20	-7.76
	CIn		In	-	-	-	-	-3.32	-2.26	-1.68	
NCE 0216	NAr	CIn						CIn	-9.02	-2.98	-8.31
	CIn	NAr			CIn				-16.26	-3.75	-15.21
		CIn		NAr		CIn			-10.99	-1.29	-13.94
		NAr		CIn					-6.58	-4.29	-4.93
	CIn			NAr	CIn			CIn	-10.80	-4.01	-9.23
	NAr		CIn				CIn	-14.10	-4.34	-12.87	
NCE 0325	LAr	RAr						RAr	-9.72	-2.29	-7.37
	RAr	LAr			RAr			LAr	-3.71	-1.54	-2.59
		RAr		LAr		RAr		LAr	-16.99	-3.03	-15.12
		LAr		RAr		LAr		RAr	-17.84	-3.32	-15.92
	LAr			RAr				RAr	-8.05	-3.20	-7.45
	RAr			LAr				LAr	-11.27	-4.13	-9.09

**Table 3.101: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and BHMT**

BHMT	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation						Binding Energy (kcal/mol)				
	R346	A347	R348	K349	W331	S333	R346	A347	R348	K349	E350	Total	VdW	Ele	
NCE 0103			BIn	CIn						CIn	BIn	-70.80	-3.19	-77.20	
			CIn	BIn	CIn					CIn	BIn	-45.04	-11.26	-44.37	
NCE 0216			NAr	CIn						NAr	CIn	NAr	-23.22	-11.46	-27.24
			CIn	NAr						CIn	NAr		-38.81	-3.79	-41.87
NCE 0325			LAr	RAr						LAr	RAr	LAr	-40.74	-8.48	-35.52
			RAr	LAr		RAr				RAr	LAr	RAr	-71.31	-11.24	-65.42
										RAr	LAr	CAr			

**Table 3.102: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and C1qA**

C1qA	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation						Binding Energy (kcal/mol)		
	K200	K201	G202	H203	W147	E148	K200	K201	G202	H203	Total	VdW	Ele
NCE 0103	CIn	BIn					CIn				-129.94	-3.18	-134.99
	BIn	CIn					BIn	CIn			-129.77	-9.46	-127.56
		BIn		CIn			BIn			CIn	-100.84	-6.47	-99.64
		CIn		BIn			CIn	CIn			-114.44	-8.07	-114.67
	BIn			CIn			CIn	BIn			-112.57	-10.51	-109.83
	CIn			BIn			BIn	CIn			-118.77	-8.78	-116.97
NCE 0112	CIn	In									-109.91	-4.56	-113.10
	In	CIn							CIn		-142.02	-9.83	-140.07
		In		CIn			In				-92.21	-10.38	-84.04
		CIn		In			CIn	CIn			-115.23	-10.89	-119.52
	In			CIn		CIn					-76.44	-5.69	-78.29
	CIn			In				CIn			-114.94	-4.09	-117.65
NCE 0216	NAr	CIn							CIn		-103.83	-4.55	-106.84
	CIn	NAr						CIn			-109.82	-0.62	-117.60
		CIn		NAr				CIn	CIn		-115.25	-6.30	-119.69
		NAr		CIn		CIn					-76.88	-6.45	-74.52
	CIn			NAr				CIn			-108.66	-3.83	-112.23
	NAr			CIn				NAr			-72.24	-2.94	-75.86
NCE 0325	LAr	RAr									-54.53	-3.35	-53.48
	RAr	LAr						RAr	LAr		-54.09	-3.65	-55.02
		RAr		LAr			LAr	RAr			-52.28	-8.04	-45.19
		LAr		RAr			LAr				-38.92	-5.26	-35.69
	LAr			RAr				LAr			-52.06	-8.76	-50.83
	RAr			LAr				RAr			-45.23	-1.60	-46.56

**Table 3.103: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and ICAM-1**

ICAM-1	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation										Binding Energy (kcal/mol)			
	R149	R150	D151	H152	R125	L130	T144	T145	V146	L147	R149	R150	D151	H152	H153	Total	VdW	Ele
NCE 0103	CIn	BIn									CIn	BIn	CIn			-20.13	-7.59	-13.37
	BIn	CIn									BIn	CIn				-18.76	-5.42	-13.64
	BIn			CIn							BIn					-18.85	-6.43	-13.80
	CIn			BIn			BIn		CIn		CIn					-35.16	-16.94	-18.39
NCE 0112	CIn	In														-15.53	-3.27	-12.14
	In	CIn									In					-16.18	-2.81	-12.54
				CIn					CIn	CIn	CIn					-20.45	-11.83	-15.25
	CIn			In						CIn	CIn					-24.08	-10.32	-20.55
NCE 0216	NAr	CIn														-14.10	-4.15	-13.03
	CIn	NAr									CIn					-11.43	-4.82	-8.24
	CIn			NAr	NAr				NAr	CIn	CIn					-33.62	-13.66	-21.66
	NAr			CIn					CIn	CIn	NAr					-27.44	-13.14	-18.72
NCE 0325	LAr	RAr									LAr	RAr				-10.87	-3.97	-7.73
	RAr	LAr									RAr					-15.90	-8.17	-11.13
	LAr			RAr			RAr	RAr	LAr		RAr					-23.70	-13.20	-13.23
	RAr			LAr	LAr			LAr			RAr					-21.48	-14.62	-11.68
NCE 0103	CIn	BIn									CIn					-41.09	-14.69	-29.19
	BIn	CIn									BIn					-31.91	-7.97	-26.14
	BIn			CIn							BIn					-28.32	-7.30	-22.23
	CIn			BIn							CIn					-17.03	-6.90	-11.56
NCE 0112	CIn	In														-23.48	-12.04	-17.47
	In	CIn									In					-25.45	-10.37	-21.97
		In		CIn							In					-8.42	-4.59	-9.41
	CIn			In							CIn					-9.60	-5.26	-9.23
NCE 0216	NAr	CIn									NAr	CIn				-37.19	-11.15	-28.12
	CIn	NAr									CIn					-28.84	-9.69	-21.21
	CIn			NAr							CIn	NAr				-21.75	-10.10	-12.76
	NAr			CIn							NAr					-16.56	-4.13	-14.32
NCE 0325	LAr	RAr									LAr	RAr				-21.94	-10.60	-12.98
	RAr	LAr									RAr	LAr				-19.65	-11.89	-8.10
	LAr			RAr												-8.20	-3.43	-6.86
	RAr			LAr							RAr					-7.80	-3.62	-5.15

**Table 3.104: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and IFN- $\gamma$**

IFN- $\gamma$	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation										Binding Energy (kcal/mol)		
	K86	K87	K88	R89	K74	E75	N78	N85	K86	K87	K88	R89	D90	E93	Total	VdW	Ele
NCE 0103	CIn	BIn									CIn				-17.21	-4.41	-12.17
	BIn	CIn									BIn				-21.39	-4.60	-15.48
		BIn		CIn										BIn	-19.31	-3.81	-13.48
		CIn		BIn						CIn			BIn	CIn/BIn	-18.09	-8.86	-7.30
	BIn			CIn		CIn		CIn	BIn			CIn			-44.57	-15.33	-27.84
	CIn		BIn		BIn			CIn			BIn		BIn	-26.80	-12.78	-13.00	
NCE 0112	CIn	In							CIn						-18.99	-8.48	-9.15
	In	CIn							In	CIn				-20.53	-8.03	-10.19	
		In		CIn									CIn	-13.99	-8.41	-3.86	
		CIn		In					In			In		-24.29	-7.25	-14.61	
	In			CIn					In			CIn		-16.41	-6.52	-9.04	
	CIn		In					CIn			CIn			-20.12	-6.44	-11.93	
NCE 0216	NAr	CIn									CIn				-11.69	-4.06	-6.22
	CIn	NAr							CIn					-22.62	-7.34	-13.44	
		CIn		NAr	-	-	-	-						-11.27	-4.77	-6.50	
		NAr		CIn					CIn	NAr				-22.41	-7.31	-13.91	
	CIn			NAr					CIn					-26.02	-9.75	-14.31	
	NAr		CIn					NAr					CIn	-21.62	-9.38	-11.33	
NCE 0325	LAr	RAr										RAr			-17.40	-4.78	-11.11
	RAr	LAr												-13.68	-4.23	-9.27	
		RAr		LAr										-17.44	-4.05	-12.18	
		LAr		RAr					RAr			RAr	LAr	-15.12	-6.56	-7.23	
	LAr			RAr					LAr			RAr		-17.38	-7.46	-8.85	
	RAr		LAr					RAr					RAr	-17.39	-7.27	-8.62	

**Table 3.105: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and IFN- $\gamma$  at two binding sites**

IFN- $\gamma$	(A) (B)	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation									Binding Energy (kcal/mol)					
		K86 K206	K87 K207	K88 K208	R89 R209	K74 K194	N78 N198	K86 K206	K87 K207	K88 K208	R89 R209	D90 D210	E93 E213	K94	Total	VdW	Ele			
NCE 0103	(A)	CIn	BIn				CIn											-42.06	-8.24	-28.82
	(B)						CIn													
	(A)	BIn	CIn				BIn											-33.61	-10.54	-23.48
	(B)						BIn													
	(A)		BIn		CIn						CIn	BIn						-39.35	-12.34	-24.97
	(B)							BIn			CIn	BIn/CIn		BIn						
NCE 0112	(A)	CIn					CIn											-26.67	-9.10	-12.72
	(B)		In				CIn													
	(A)	In	CIn				In											-33.70	-8.13	-23.51
	(B)						CIn													
	(A)		In		CIn		CIn				CIn	In/CIn						-47.91	-19.26	-25.09
	(B)						CIn				CIn	In/CIn								
NCE 0216	(A)	CIn					In											-40.86	-16.40	-23.06
	(B)						In													
	(A)	In			CIn	CIn	CIn				CIn	CIn	CIn	CIn				-66.75	-29.41	-34.70
	(B)						CIn				CIn	CIn		CIn						
	(A)						In													
	(B)	CIn			In		CIn											-35.00	-10.90	-20.33
NCE 0325	(A)	NAr	CIn															-38.02	-9.60	-26.02
	(B)																			
	(A)	CIn	NAr				CIn											-21.32	-3.79	-17.63
	(B)						CIn													
	(A)		NAr		CIn		CIn		NAr			CIn						-22.64	-11.17	-11.74
	(B)						CIn		NAr			CIn								
NCE 0325	(A)	CIn			NAr													-30.91	-10.16	-19.68
	(B)																			
	(A)	NAr			CIn		NAr				CIn							-31.26	-10.91	-19.29
	(B)						NAr				CIn									
	(A)	CIn			NAr		CIn											-43.37	-9.43	-34.08
	(B)						CIn													
NCE 0325	(A)	LAr	RAr															-26.70	-4.92	-20.56
	(B)																			
	(A)	RAr	LAr															-21.75	-5.01	-16.78
	(B)																			
	(A)		LAr		RAr													-41.77	-9.31	-32.62
	(B)																			
NCE 0325	(A)		RAr		LAr													-25.10	-11.73	-14.01
	(B)																			
	(A)	LAr			RAr		LAr/CAr				CAr							-37.85	-8.62	-27.07
	(B)																			
	(A)	RAr			LAr													-29.21	-14.94	-13.94
	(B)																			

**Table 3.106: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and IL-1 $\beta$ CE**

IL-1 $\beta$ CE	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation					Binding Energy (kcal/mol)		
	K319	K320	A321	H322	D275	K319	K320	A321	H322	Total	VdW	Ele
NCE 0103	CIn	BIn				CIn			BIn	-125.34	-5.25	-122.97
	BIn	CIn					CIn			-98.30	-4.77	-92.99
		BIn		CIn	-	-	-	-	-	-88.37	-2.12	-88.96
		CIn		BIn	-	-	-	-	-	-78.95	2.95	-89.43
	BIn			CIn		BIn				-98.37	-4.66	-94.85
	CIn			BIn		CIn			BIn	-131.80	-11.06	-123.32
NCE 0112	CIn	In				CIn	In		In	-95.20	-5.39	-92.20
	In	CIn				In				-93.69	-4.78	-87.96
		In		CIn					CIn	-104.10	-2.49	-101.43
		CIn		In			CIn		In	-56.05	-5.09	-52.59
	In			CIn		In				-102.62	-6.63	-95.22
	CIn			In		CIn	CIn		In/CIn	-112.06	-4.31	-108.72
NCE 0216	NAr	CIn					CIn		CIn	-73.30	-1.95	-75.13
	CIn	NAr				CIn			CIn	-124.98	-4.46	-120.05
		CIn		NAr			CIn		NAr	-77.23	-5.84	-79.41
		NAr		CIn	-	-	-	-	-	-86.93	-0.99	-87.70
NCE 0325	LAr	RAr				LAr	RAr			-41.01	-5.45	-40.45
	RAr	LAr			RAr		LAr		LAr RAr	-95.52	-7.47	-94.71
		RAr		LAr			RAr			-70.66	-2.09	-79.70
		LAr		RAr			LAr			-41.59	-0.70	-36.51
	LAr			RAr		RAr			RAr	-32.53	-4.10	-40.61
	RAr			LAr	RAr	RAr				-47.34	-7.34	-41.27
	R371	K372	V373	R374	R371	K372	V373	R374	M386			
NCE 0103	BIn			CIn	BIn					137.21	-7.00	145.52
	CIn			BIn	CIn					80.68	-3.34	83.36
NCE 0112	In			CIn	-	-	-	-	-	-64.88	-1.52	-70.77
	CIn			In	-	-	-	-	-	44.03	-8.37	52.51
NCE 0216	CIn			NAr	-	-	-	-	-	-66.52	-1.16	-73.25
	NAr			CIn	-	-	-	-	-	-35.97	-2.99	-40.69
NCE 0325	LAr			RAr	LAr					-49.79	-3.68	-50.17
	RAr			LAr				LAr		-40.22	-6.30	-36.55

**Table 3.107: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and IL-4**

IL-4	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation							Binding Energy (kcal/mol)					
	K86	K87	K88	R89	L27	T28	S57	H58	H59	E60	K61	D62	R64	Q106	Total	VdW	Ele
NCE 0103	CIn	BIn				BIn		CIn	BIn					BIn	-17.45	-13.54	-6.26
	BIn	CIn												CIn	-24.72	-4.92	-22.80
		BIn		CIn				BIn	BIn		CIn	BIn		BIn	-22.24	-11.28	-13.38
		CIn		BIn				CIn	CIn		BIn	CIn		CIn	-29.99	-11.26	-23.38
	BIn			CIn				CIn				CIn			-26.18	-3.48	-26.46
	CIn		BIn				CIn				BIn			-21.47	-6.89	-16.76	
NCE 0112	CIn	In				In		CIn	In						-14.70	-10.50	-5.38
	In	CIn			CIn	CIn			In	CIn				CIn	-33.24	-6.38	-32.07
		In		CIn				In				CIn	In	CIn	-30.13	-13.11	-23.05
		CIn		In			In	CIn	CIn		CIn	CIn			-31.55	-13.23	-22.12
	In			CIn							CIn				-23.65	-5.01	-20.89
	CIn		In											-18.45	-0.05	-20.91	
NCE 0216		CIn		NAr				CIn	CIn			CIn	CIn		-20.06	-10.56	-14.88
		NAr		CIn				CIn			CIn		NAr		-25.87	-9.34	-19.97
	CIn			NAr				CIn			NAr				-22.60	-8.61	-20.86
	NAr			CIn				CIn			CIn				-12.85	-5.37	-11.85
NCE 0325	LAr	RAr						RAr							-16.89	-5.15	-13.78
	RAr	LAr			LAr			LAr							-19.00	-7.52	-13.24
		RAr		LAr			RAr	RAr			LAr	RAr			-18.87	-7.78	-12.53
		LAr		RAr			RAr	LAr	LAr		RAr	LAr	LAr		-23.81	-12.48	-15.09
	LAr			RAr							RAr				-15.34	-3.09	-15.75
	RAr		LAr								LAr			-14.78	-1.73	-15.82	
	H74	R75	H76	K77	Q71	H74	R75	H76	K77	Q78							
NCE 0103	CIn	BIn				CIn	BIn								-29.28	-2.97	-29.22
	BIn	CIn				BIn				BIn					-13.66	-5.78	-11.10
	BIn			CIn		BIn			CIn						-21.98	-6.51	-18.46
	CIn			BIn											-15.07	-1.08	-15.71
NCE 0112	CIn	In			In	CIn							CIn	-23.39	-5.49	-21.73	
	In	CIn												-19.03	-1.12	-19.83	
		In		CIn			In							-22.90	-4.04	-19.89	
		CIn		In			CIn							-18.68	-2.92	-17.30	
NCE 0216	CIn	NAr			NAr	CIn	NAr						CIn	-25.91	-5.86	-22.33	
	NAr	CIn			CIn	NAr	CIn							-28.18	-5.97	-25.26	
	CIn			NAr		CIn								-26.59	-3.82	-27.15	
	NAr			CIn		NAr					CIn			-21.67	-7.55	-17.17	
NCE 0325	LAr	RAr					RAr							-5.30	-1.96	-4.57	
	RAr	LAr				RAr	LAr						RAr	-15.07	-3.44	-14.22	
	LAr			RAr										-7.79	-2.09	-8.21	
	RAr			LAr							LAr			-13.02	-3.52	-11.68	

**Table 3.108: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and IL-12**

IL-12	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation							Binding Energy (kcal/mol)			
	H194	K195	L196	K197	K84	D93	I126	H194	K195	L196	K197	Total	VdW	Ele	
NCE 0103	CIn	BIn						CIn	BIn			-36.47	-6.28	-31.43	
								BIn	BIn			-44.14	-8.41	-40.94	
	BIn	CIn					BIn	BIn	CIn			-35.02	-2.89	-35.23	
				CIn					BIn				-42.04	-0.89	-39.65
				BIn							BIn		-33.39	-7.73	-25.77
	CIn			BIn	BIn	BIn	CIn	CIn			BIn		-52.16	-13.06	-39.30
NCE 0112	CIn	In							In			-23.57	-3.42	-26.69	
	In	CIn						In	CIn			-31.54	-3.13	-36.45	
				CIn				CIn			CIn	-41.33	-4.98	-40.20	
				In								-33.15	-3.27	-35.79	
	In			CIn				In				-18.68	-2.23	-21.41	
	CIn			In				CIn				-33.23	-2.34	-34.67	
NCE 0216	NAr	CIn							CIn			-33.82	-3.10	-33.07	
	CIn	NAr						CIn				-30.16	-3.05	-29.52	
				NAr					CIn			-29.00	-2.78	-28.52	
				CIn							CIn	-26.67	-6.18	-26.23	
	CIn			NAr								-18.29	-3.25	-17.68	
	NAr			CIn				NAr			CIn	-16.05	-5.23	-13.60	
NCE 0325	LAr	RAr							RAr			-10.60	-2.14	-8.85	
	RAr	LAr					RAr	RAr	LAr			-13.56	-5.38	-10.39	
				RAr								-10.90	-0.23	-11.17	
				LAr								-13.11	-2.24	-12.93	
				RAr						RAr					

**Table 3.109: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and IL-13**

IL-13	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation					Binding Energy (kcal/mol)		
	H102	L103	K104	K105	A41	H102	L103	K104	K105	Total	VdW	Ele
NCE 0103	BIn			CIn	-	-	-	-	-	-9.28	-2.32	-7.82
	CIn			BIn					BIn	-9.75	-4.35	-6.48
NCE 0112	CIn			In	-	-	-	-	-	-6.14	-1.96	-4.23
	In			CIn	-	-	-	-	-	-8.83	-2.37	-7.36
NCE 0216	NAr			CIn					CIn	-7.11	-4.02	-3.78
	CIn			NAr				CIn		11.92	-3.81	-10.60
NCE 0325	LAr			RAr	LAr	LAr			RAr	-7.54	-5.54	-3.30
	RAr			LAr		RAr			LAr	-10.15	-5.22	-6.43

**Table 3.110: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and MIP-1 $\alpha$**

MIP-1 $\alpha$	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation							Binding Energy (kcal/mol)		
	K45	R46	S47	R48	R18	N23	F24	K45	R46	S47	R48	Total	VdW	Ele
NCE 0103	CIn	BIn				CIn			BIn			-30.44	-6.10	-22.63
	BIn	CIn				BIn		BIn	CIn			-26.17	-6.24	-19.64
		BIn		CIn	CIn				BIn		CIn	-28.40	-7.70	-21.10
		CIn		BIn					CIn		BIn	-20.65	-6.95	-12.53
	BIn			CIn		BIn		BIn	CIn		CIn	-38.51	-15.72	-21.66
	CIn			BIn			BIn	CIn				-21.73	-10.10	-11.17
NCE 0112	CIn	In			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-15.61	-2.23	-11.95
	In	CIn			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-16.16	-2.82	-11.69
		In		CIn	CIn				In		CIn	-29.19	-7.39	-20.95
		CIn		In					CIn		In	-27.67	-6.93	-18.96
	In			CIn			CIn	In			CIn	-27.29	-12.07	-14.06
	CIn			In		CIn	CIn	CIn	In			-27.55	-13.53	-13.19
NCE 0216	NAr	CIn							CIn			-16.50	-3.04	-14.02
	CIn	NAr			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-20.61	2.56	-18.88
		CIn		NAr					CIn		NAr	-17.11	-5.93	-11.18
		NAr		CIn	CIn				NAr		CIn	-33.55	-8.23	-25.36
	CIn			NAr					NAr		NAr	-32.29	-10.56	-21.20
	NAr			CIn		NAr	NAr/CIn	NAr			CIn	-27.45	-12.82	-15.74
NCE 0325	LAr	RAr							RAr			-12.47	-2.45	-9.90
	RAr	LAr							LAr			-10.80	-3.65	-7.21
		RAr		LAr							LAr	13.87	-5.36	-9.31
		LAr		RAr					LAr		RAr	-12.16	-4.43	-7.92
	RAr			LAr				RAr			LAr	-11.81	-7.50	-5.18
	LAr			RAr				LAr	RAr		RAr	-20.85	-10.64	-9.04



**Table 3.111: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and MIP-1 $\alpha$  at two binding sites**

MIP-1 $\alpha$	(A) (B)	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation							Binding Energy (kcal/mol)		
		K45	R46	S47	R48	R18	N23	F24	K45	R46	S47	R48	Total	VdW	Ele
NCE 0103	(A)	CIn	BIn						CIn	BIn			-31.60	-9.29	-21.08
	(B)							CIn	BIn						
	(A)	BIn	CIn							CIn			-45.98	-11.05	-33.55
	(B)									CIn					
	(A)		BIn		CIn						BIn		-46.14	-9.49	-34.63
	(B)										CIn				
	(A)	CIn		BIn								BIn	CIn	-39.64	-10.40
NCE 0112	(A)	BIn			CIn			BIn/CIn	BIn	CIn		CIn	-68.83	-27.67	-39.21
	(B)					BIn		BIn/CIn	BIn			CIn			
	(A)	CIn			BIn			BIn/CIn	CIn			BIn	-61.09	-28.25	-30.64
	(B)						CIn	BIn/CIn	CIn	BIn					
	(A)	CIn	In			-	-	-					-43.55	-6.87	-34.70
	(B)								CIn						
	(A)	In	CIn			-	-	-					-26.61	-4.87	-20.90
NCE 0216	(A)														
	(B)														
	(A)														
	(B)														
	(A)														
	(B)														
	(A)														
NCE 0325	(A)	NAr	CIn						NAr	CIn			-27.10	-6.82	-21.96
	(B)									CIn					
	(A)	CIn	NAr			-	-	-					-38.41	-5.89	-33.91
	(B)						CIn								
	(A)		NAr		CIn	CIn				NAr		CIn	-54.81	-12.06	-42.51
	(B)									NAr		CIn			
	(A)		CIn		NAr					CIn		NAr	-18.33	-10.63	-9.05
NCE 0325	(A)	NAr			CIn	NAr	NAr/CIn	NAr				CIn	-51.94	-20.97	-33.36
	(B)											CIn			
	(A)	CIn			NAr			CIn	NAr		NAr	NAr	-62.86	-26.55	-37.16
	(B)					CIn	NAr/CIn	CIn	NAr		NAr	NAr			
	(A)	LAr	RAr						LAr	RAr			-15.88	-5.20	-10.83
	(B)								LAr	RAr					
	(A)	RAr	LAr							LAr			-19.05	-6.54	-13.78
NCE 0325	(A)														
	(B)														
	(A)		LAr		RAr					LAr		RAr	-24.99	-9.23	-15.65
	(B)									LAr		RAr			
	(A)		RAr		LAr					RAr		LAr	-40.62	-12.53	-28.22
	(B)									RAr		LAr			
	(A)	LAr			RAr			RAr	LAr	LAr	RAr		RAr	-38.08	-23.05
(B)									LAr	RAr		LAr			
(A)	RAr			LAr			RAr	RAr	RAr	LAr		LAr	-41.50	-23.78	-19.36
(B)									RAr						

**Table 3.112: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and MIP-1 $\beta$**

MIP-1 $\beta$	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation				Binding Energy (kcal/mol)		
	K45	R46	S47	K58	K45	R46	S47	K58	Total	VdW	Ele
NCE 0103	CIn	BIn			CIn	BIn			-8.95	-5.77	-4.46
	BIn	CIn			-	-	-	-	-1.35	-2.32	1.16
		BIn		CIn				CIn	-10.20	-6.31	-5.28
		CIn		BIn		CIn		BIn	-10.30	-5.01	-5.82
						CIn					
	BIn			CIn		BIn		CIn	-8.96	-8.06	-0.97
	CIn		BIn		BIn		BIn				
					BIn						
NCE 0112	CIn	In			-	-	-	-	-0.64	-3.04	3.52
	In	CIn			-	-	-	-	-1.94	-2.05	0.33
		In		CIn	-	-	-	-	-7.28	-2.74	-4.05
		CIn		In		CIn			-5.54	-3.69	-1.79
						CIn		CIn			
	In			CIn		In			-10.51	-10.80	0.40
	CIn		In		CIn	In					
NCE 0216	NAr	CIn				CIn			-1.36	-2.32	0.15
	CIn	NAr			-	-	-	-	-3.45	-3.00	-1.04
		CIn		NAr	-	-	-	-	-3.37	-2.94	-1.58
		NAr		CIn		NAr		CIn	-7.63	-4.92	-3.88
						CIn	NAr				
	CIn			NAr	CIn	NAr			-6.77	-9.20	1.02
					NAr	CIn	CIn				
	NAr		CIn		NAr			-21.51	-11.21	-13.54	
NCE 0325	LAr	RAr				RAr			-5.16	-2.35	-3.13
	RAr	LAr			-	-	-	-	-4.43	-2.36	-3.72
		RAr		LAr		RAr		LAr	-5.89	-3.76	-2.54
		LAr		RAr				RAr	-5.95	-4.08	-3.12
	LAr			RAr	LAr	RAr		RAr	-9.04	-6.02	-3.57
	RAr		LAr		RAr	RAr					
								-13.81	-6.51	-7.16	

**Table 3.113: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and MIP-1 $\beta$  at two binding sites**

MIP-1 $\beta$	(A) (B)	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation				Binding Energy (kcal/mol)		
		K45	R46	S47	K48	K45	R46	S47	K48	Total	VdW	Ele
NCE 0103	(A)	CIn	BIn			CIn				-30.05	-10.70	-20.37
	(B)					CIn	BIn					
	(A)	BIn	CIn			BIn	CIn		-21.85	-11.82	-8.23	
	(B)					CIn						
	(A)		BIn		CIn		BIn		CIn	-36.75	-10.38	-28.32
(B)					BIn							
(A)		CIn		BIn		BIn		BIn	-21.90	-9.87	-14.48	
(B)					CIn							
NCE 0112	(A)	CIn	In			-	-	-	-	-14.17	-5.74	-10.14
	(B)					CIn	In					
	(A)	In	CIn			-	-	-	-	-7.83	-3.40	-4.24
	(B)					-	-	-	-			
	(A)		In		CIn		-	-	-	-17.88	-5.27	-12.51
(B)					In							
(A)		CIn		In		CIn			-7.30	-6.12	-2.18	
(B)					-	-	-	-				
NCE 0216	(A)	NAr	CIn			NAr	CIn			-19.51	-11.98	-11.37
	(B)					NAr	CIn					
	(A)	CIn	NAr			-	-	-	-	-11.41	-4.10	-12.24
	(B)					-	-	-	-			
	(A)		NAr		CIn		-	-	-	-21.99	-7.62	-16.96
(B)					NAr		CIn					
(A)		CIn		NAr		CIn		NAr	-17.65	-12.61	-8.48	
(B)					CIn		NAr					
NCE 0325	(A)	LAr	RAr			LAr				-12.94	-7.04	-8.69
	(B)					LAr	RAr					
	(A)	RAr	LAr			RAr				-13.49	-5.13	-10.24
	(B)					LAr						
	(A)		LAr		RAr		RAr		RAr	-16.69	-8.33	-11.02
	(B)								LAr			
	(A)		RAr		LAr		-	-	-	-13.38	-4.44	-8.79
(B)					RAr							
(A)	LAr			RAr		RAr	RAr	RAr	-38.89	-23.30	-17.98	
(B)					LAr	RAr	RAr	RAr				
(A)				LAr		RAr		LAr	-28.25	-18.20	-11.70	
(B)	RAr				RAr	LAr	LAr	LAr				

**Table 3.114: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and NEP**

NEP	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation								Binding Energy (kcal/mol)			
	K523	K524	L525	R526	E498	K520	K523	K524	L525	R526	E527	D530	R533	Total	VdW	Ele
NCE 0103	BIn	CIn			BIn	CIn		CIn						106.68	-16.61	117.04
	CIn	BIn			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	72.18	-15.05	79.05
NCE 0112	In	CIn					CIn							103.12	-17.33	112.21
	CIn	In			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.75	-14.27	17.09
NCE 0325	LAr	RAr					RAr						RAr	-92.54	-9.94	-89.90
	RAr	LAr			RAr		LAr			LAr	LAr	LAr	RAr	-90.52	-14.87	-86.12
	H733	C734	R735	K736	E77	E730	H733	C734	R735	K736						
NCE 0103	BIn			CIn	-	-	-	-	-	-				-7.22	-12.78	5.48
	CIn			BIn			BIn							-36.47	-17.65	-20.91
	BIn		CIn				CIn							-35.28	-5.28	-30.82
	CIn		BIn				BIn							-42.47	-11.58	-32.35
NCE 0112	In			CIn			CIn			CIn				73.12	-11.12	88.03
	CIn			In			In			In				-56.46	-10.96	-47.10
	In		CIn		-	-	-	-	-	-				-29.35	-2.41	-29.06
NCE 0216	CIn			In			In			In				-121.30	2.00	-119.85
	NAr			CIn			CIn			CIn				-39.80	-6.95	-29.63
	CIn		NAr		NAr		NAr			NAr				-67.06	-8.24	-64.23
NCE 0325	CIn			NAr			NAr			NAr				44.20	-20.46	-25.46
	NAr			CIn			CIn			CIn				-53.06	11.14	-47.19
	NAr			NAr			NAr			NAr				-53.06	11.14	-47.19
NCE 0325	LAr		RAr		RAr		RAr			RAr				-75.97	-4.33	-73.00
	RAr		LAr		LAr		LAr			LAr				-79.12	-3.00	-79.88
	LAr			RAr			RAr			RAr				-88.52	-18.18	-76.83
	RAr			LAr		LAr			LAr					-79.34	-9.00	-69.21

**Table 3.115: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and RANTES**

RANTES	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation								Binding Energy (kcal/mol)			
	R44	K45	N46	R47	S1	P2	Y3	H23	R44	K45	N46	R47	Total	VdW	Ele	
NCE 0103	CIn	BIn							CIn	BIn			-151.85	-6.26	-150.58	
	BIn	CIn						BIn	CIn				-151.78	-6.22	-145.06	
		BIn		CIn	CIn			BIn	BIn			CIn		-154.14	-7.53	-144.88
		CIn		BIn			BIn		CIn					-122.72	1.49	-129.42
	BIn			CIn					BIn			CIn		-175.22	-1.80	-177.97
NCE 0112	CIn			BIn					CIn					-168.01	0.09	-173.84
	In	CIn						In	In				-157.66	-4.73	-165.31	
		In		CIn	CIn				In	CIn				-150.46	-4.92	-147.12
		In							CIn			CIn		-143.15	-15.20	-123.84
		CIn		In					In	In				-104.07	-7.34	-98.31
NCE 0216	In			CIn					In			CIn		-148.61	-6.36	-154.50
	CIn			In			CIn		CIn			In		-156.26	-2.37	-157.16
	NAr	CIn						NAr	CIn					-132.63	-5.24	-125.29
	CIn	NAr				NAr		CIn	NAr					-128.56	0.83	-130.67
		CIn		NAr					CIn					-160.60	-4.45	-150.77
NCE 0325		NAr		CIn					NAr			CIn		-151.20	-7.22	-151.39
	CIn			NAr		NAr			CIn			NAr		-158.21	-4.13	-155.61
	NAr			CIn					NAr			CIn		-143.27	-2.09	-143.24
	LAr	RAr							LAr	RAr				-45.63	-2.11	-44.28
	RAr	LAr							RAr	LAr				-63.84	-3.47	-62.85
NCE 0325		RAr		LAr						RAr		LAr		-50.35	-8.84	-42.35
		LAr		RAr						LAr		RAr		-56.64	-2.23	-62.88
	RAr			LAr		RAr				LAr		RAr		-55.33	-2.60	-55.50
		RAr		LAr						LAr		RAr		-56.64	-2.23	-62.88
	RAr			LAr						LAr		RAr		-55.33	-2.60	-55.50
	LAr		RAr						LAr		RAr		-51.69	-0.94	-54.48	

**Table 3.116: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and RANTES at two binding sites**

RANTES	(A) (B)	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation								Binding Energy (kcal/mol)		
		R44	K45	N46	R47	S1	P2	R44	K45	N46	R47	Total	VdW	Ele		
NCE 0103	(A)	R44	K45	N46	R47	S1	P2	R44	K45	N46	R47	-329.10	-4.69	-334.91		
	(B)	R44	K45	N46	R47	S1	P2	R44	K45	N46	R47					
	(A)	CIn	BIn					CIn	BIn			-298.41	-14.21	-277.38		
	(B)	BIn	CIn					BIn	CIn							
	(A)		BIn		CIn				BIn		CIn	-316.70	-14.75	-296.00		
	(B)		BIn		CIn	CIn			BIn		CIn					
	(A)					CIn			CIn			-303.75	-22.29	-280.23		
	(B)		CIn		BIn	CIn			CIn							
(A)	BIn			CIn			BIn			CIn	-359.65	-0.95	-358.53			
(B)	BIn			CIn			BIn			CIn						
(A)	CIn			BIn			CIn			BIn	-324.31	-12.87	-314.95			
(B)	CIn			BIn			CIn			BIn						
NCE 0112	(A)	CIn	In					CIn	In			-355.27	-1.02	-353.24		
	(B)	CIn	In					CIn	In							
	(A)	In	CIn					In	CIn			-326.63	-9.23	-311.42		
	(B)	In	CIn					In	CIn							
	(A)		In		CIn	-	-	-	-	-	-	-205.54	-7.72	-184.73		
	(B)		In		CIn	-	-	-	-	-	-					
	(A)		CIn		In	In			CIn		In	-297.56	-20.38	-263.53		
	(B)		CIn		In	CIn	In		CIn		CIn					
(A)	In			CIn			In	In		CIn	-329.66	-15.09	-325.87			
(B)	In			CIn			In	In		CIn						
(A)	CIn			In		In		CIn		In	-353.06	-8.58	-358.07			
(B)	CIn			In		In		CIn		In						
NCE 0216	(A)	NAr	CIn					NAr	CIn			-279.57	-3.67	-268.49		
	(B)	NAr	CIn					NAr	CIn							
	(A)	CIn	NAr					CIn	NAr			-275.04	5.74	-293.12		
	(B)	CIn	NAr					CIn	NAr							
	(A)		NAr		CIn	CIn					CIn	-252.52	-6.03	-238.46		
	(B)		NAr		CIn	CIn					CIn					
	(A)		CIn		NAr		NAr		CIn		NAr	-290.61	-9.00	-288.70		
	(B)		CIn		NAr		NAr		CIn		NAr					
(A)	NAr			CIn			NAr			CIn	-277.26	-19.56	-262.96			
(B)	NAr			CIn			NAr			CIn						
(A)	CIn			NAr		NAr		CIn			-310.57	-7.30	-308.55			
(B)	CIn			NAr		NAr		CIn								
NCE 0325	(A)	LAr	RAr					LAr	RAr			-122.86	0.63	-129.96		
	(B)	LAr	RAr					LAr	RAr							
	(A)	RAr	LAr					RAr	LAr			-126.14	-7.66	-123.80		
	(B)	RAr	LAr					RAr	LAr							
	(A)		LAr		RAr	RAr			LAr		RAr	-84.66	-11.73	-81.10		
	(B)		LAr		RAr	RAr			LAr		RAr					
	(A)		RAr		LAr	LAr			RAr		LAr	-79.09	-12.13	-69.88		
	(B)		RAr		LAr	LAr			RAr		LAr					
(A)	LAr			RAr			LAr			RAr	-102.74	-4.21	-106.45			
(B)	LAr			RAr			LAr			RAr						
(A)	RAr			LAr			RAr			LAr	-101.85	-3.05	-103.54			
(B)	RAr			LAr			RAr			LAr						

**Table 3.117: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and S100β**

S100β	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation									Binding Energy (kcal/mol)				
	H25	K26	L27	K28	E21	G22	D23	K24	H25	K26	L27	K28	E67	E86	E89	Total	VdW	Ele
NCE 0103	CIn	BIn						CIn	CIn	BIn						-21.86	-8.88	-13.09
	BIn	CIn					BIn	BIn	CIn						BIn	-27.77	-13.38	-17.52
		BIn		CIn						BIn			CIn	BIn		-39.35	-14.08	-25.72
		CIn		BIn			CIn			CIn			BIn	CIn		-48.80	-17.36	-30.51
NCE 0112	CIn	In							CIn	In				CIn	CIn	-18.34	-7.64	-13.93
	In	CIn							In	CIn						-9.37	-4.55	-7.69
		In		CIn			In			In			CIn			-41.04	-14.37	-27.78
		CIn		In			CIn						In			-34.66	-12.42	-25.58
NCE 0216	NAr	CIn														-14.54	-3.81	-8.35
	CIn	NAr							CIn	NAr						-14.54	-5.80	-9.81
		CIn		NAr												-15.75	-6.09	-8.34
		NAr		CIn								CIn	NAr			-36.79	-6.13	-27.76
NCE 0325	LAr	RAr														-23.08	-7.27	-15.36
	RAr	LAr				CAr	RAr	RAr	LAr							-26.30	-9.48	-17.01
		RAr		LAr												-25.86	-5.85	-18.41
		LAr		RAr												-20.77	-5.64	-13.51
	K26	L27	K28	K29	K26	L27	K28	K29										
NCE 0103			BIn	CIn			BIn	CIn								-48.81	-12.67	-33.21
			CIn	BIn			CIn	BIn								-28.80	-6.32	-21.39
NCE 0112			In	CIn			In	CIn								-24.86	-7.11	-16.85
			CIn	In			CIn	In								-23.70	-5.32	-18.35
NCE 0216			CIn	NAr			CIn	NAr								-31.50	-6.23	-23.61
			NAr	CIn			NAr	CIn								-28.21	-7.80	-16.36
NCE 0325			LAr	RAr												-16.58	-3.16	-10.96
			RAr	LAr												-34.22	-7.84	-22.25

**Table 3.118: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and SDF-1**

SDF-1	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation				Binding Energy (kcal/mol)		
	K24	H25	L26	K27	K24	H25	L26	K27	Total	VdW	Ele
NCE 0103	BIn	CIn			BIn	CIn			-70.30	-8.73	-59.62
	CIn	BIn			CIn	BIn			-77.06	-9.90	-66.64
NCE 0112	CIn	In			In	In			-96.07	-7.80	-86.53
	In	CIn			CIn	CIn			-57.05	-7.43	-45.14
NCE 0216	NAr	CIn			NAr	CIn			-57.15	-7.89	-46.67
	CIn	NAr			CIn	NAr			-75.83	-8.33	-65.56
NCE 0325	LAr	RAr			LAr	RAr			-39.42	-7.31	-33.49
	RAr	LAr			RAr	RAr			-42.63	-7.82	-37.58

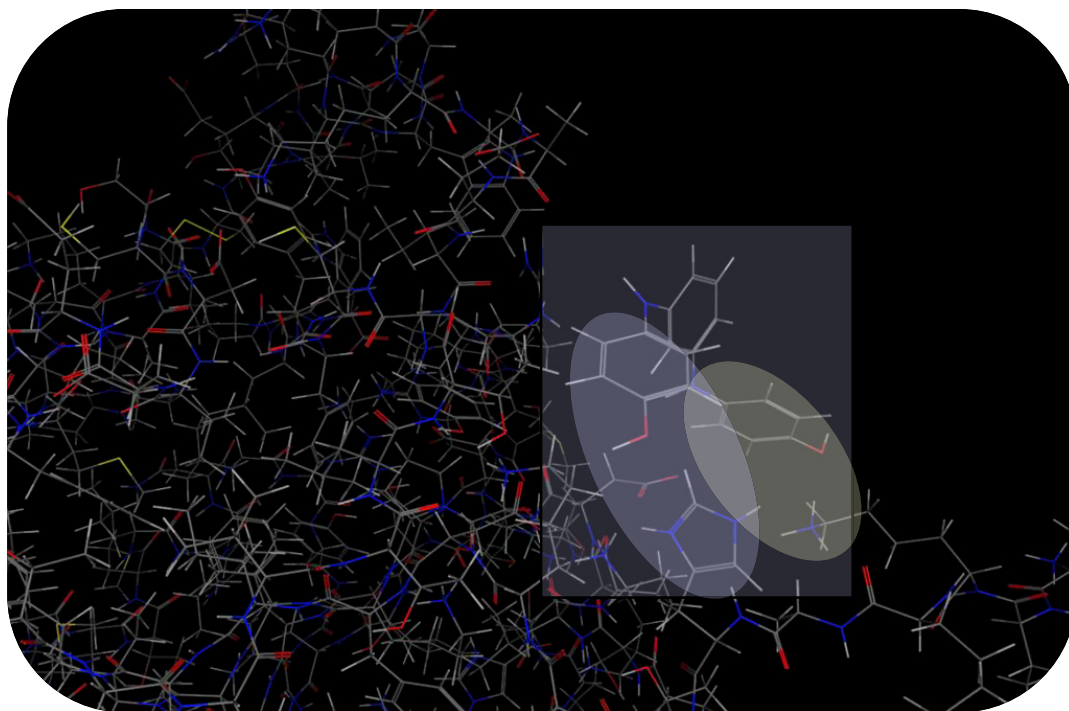
**Table 3.119: Results of the optimization of the lead molecules and Transferrin**

Transferrin	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation					Binding Energy (kcal/mol)		
	R113	G114	K115	K116	F107	R113	G114	K115	K116	Total	VdW	Ele
NCE 0103	BIn		CIn		-	-	-	-	-	-22.77	-6.01	-23.41
	CIn		BIn			CIn		BIn		-19.43	-9.09	-17.25
			BIn	CIn					CIn	-13.49	-6.04	-13.90
			CIn	BIn			CIn		BIn	-9.48	-6.69	-5.14
NCE 0112	CIn		In			CIn				-25.53	-7.54	-22.81
	In		CIn			In		CIn		-26.29	-9.13	-22.89
			CIn	In	-	-	-	-	-	-20.33	-5.52	-24.57
			In	CIn	-	-	-	-	-	-9.95	-7.62	-12.09
NCE 0216	NAr		CIn			NAr		CIn		-13.54	-7.50	-12.12
	CIn		NAr			CIn				-25.79	-7.52	-24.85
			NAr	CIn				NAr	CIn	-22.98	-9.32	-20.89
			CIn	NAr	CIn			CIn	NAr	-9.45	-7.56	-9.45
NCE 0325			LAr	RAr				LAr		-27.12	-5.56	-27.46
			RAr	LAr					LAr	-28.25	-4.91	-28.12
	LAr		RAr			LAr		RAr		-22.30	-7.75	-20.10
	RAr		LAr			RAr		LAr		-24.76	-8.87	-22.65

Assigning the basic amino acids numbers from left to right as B<sup>1</sup>-B<sup>2</sup>-X-B<sup>3</sup>, the number of interactions occurring at B<sup>1</sup>B<sup>2</sup>, B<sup>1</sup>B<sup>3</sup>, and B<sup>2</sup>B<sup>3</sup> were examined for each of the above systems.

The NCEs were capable of interacting with multiple configurations of B<sup>1</sup>B<sup>2</sup>, B<sup>1</sup>B<sup>3</sup>, and B<sup>2</sup>B<sup>3</sup> equally for some of the proteins: These included Aβ, C1qA, ICAM-1, IL-1βCE, IL-4, IL-12, MIP-1α (when binding at two sites), MIP-1β and RANTES. Figure 3.17 shows an example of binding between NCE-0325 and IL-1βCE.

The remaining proteins, AChE, BHMT, S100β and SDF-1 favoured interactions with the NCE molecules at B<sup>1</sup>B<sup>2</sup>, while B<sup>1</sup>B<sup>3</sup> was the favoured orientation for Apoε4, IFN-γ, and IL-13 with B7-1 and transferrin preferring B<sup>2</sup>B<sup>3</sup>. None of the NCEs formed interactions at two sites within the **BBXB** region of neprilysin. The preferential binding at these sites was due to the spatial orientation of the amino acid side chains within the **BBXB** motif for each protein.



**Figure 3.17: Example of NCE-0325 binding to IL-1 $\beta$ CE. Interactions between the compound and the BBXB region are highlighted.**

#### **3.10.4 CONCLUSIONS ON THE NCE MOLECULES INTERACTING WITH PROTEINS CONTAINING BBXB**

The results of the gas phase optimizations of NCE-0103, NCE-0112, NCE-0216 and NCE-0325 indicate that all four compounds are capable of binding to and interacting with the **BBXB** region of multiple proteins involved in AD. Hydrogen bonds and cation- $\pi$  interactions were the most commonly observed measurable interactions.

All four NCEs are capable of binding to the **BBXB** region of A $\beta$ , C1qA, IFN- $\gamma$ , IL-12, MIP-1 $\alpha$ , MIP-1 $\beta$ , RANTES, SDF-1 and transferrin. For all of these systems, each NCE is capable of forming at least one binding interaction with two of the basic amino acids in the **BBXB** motif of that protein.



For a few of the proteins where multiple **BBXB** regions were accessible, some of the NCEs were capable of binding to one or two of those receptors but not all of them; this occurred for Apoε4, ICAM-1, IL-4 and S100β. Similar situations arose when binding was occurring at two **BBXB** regions simultaneously on MIP-1α and MIP-1β.

In some optimized systems, not all of the NCE molecules were capable of binding at two sites; these included AChE, B7-1 and IL-13, with which only the longer NCE-0325 was capable of forming multiple interactions.

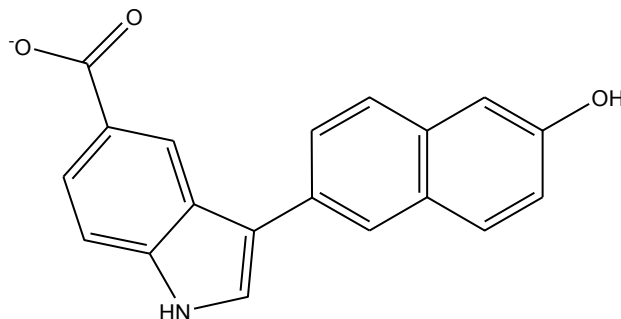
In the case of the BHMT protein, NCE-0112 was not capable of interacting with the side chains given their spatial orientation. In general NCE-0112 appeared to be the least successful at forming binding interactions with the **BBXB** region of multiple proteins. NCE-0216 was also slightly less favoured on occasion.

Overall, it appears that NCE-0325 and NCE-0103 are the most capable of binding to the **BBXB** region on multiple proteins affiliated with AD. The results of these optimizations are quite favourable for promoting the concept of a promiscuous drug. These synthetic entities are capable of interacting with multiple proteins, at a motif specific to those involved in AD pathology, as was also seen with phosphoserine. Given these positive results, a more promising NCE was also examined.

### **3.11 NCE-217 AS A DRUG MOLECULE CAPABLE OF TARGETING BBXB**

One of the most promising compounds developed by the Weaver group is NCE-217 (Figure 3.18). This compound is currently being further advanced by the Weaver group to improve its efficacy. Given its promise, and knowing that it is capable of

inhibiting  $\beta$ -amyloid aggregation *in vitro*, the compound was selected for gas phase optimizations with some of the proteins examined in section 3.2.8.



**Figure 3.18: NCE-0217**

Gas phase optimizations were performed in QUANTA using the CHARMM22 force field [46, 48].

### 3.11.1 GAS PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF NCE-0217 AND PROTEINS BEARING BBXB

The NCE-0217 molecule was constructed in QUANTA and a systematic grid search was performed to find the lowest energy conformation to be used for the gas phase minimizations. The energy of the selected structure is given in Table 3.120.

**Table 3.120: Gas phase energy of NCE-0217**

	Energy (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$
NCE-0217	34.64	11.84	-6.94

The proteins selected for study are  $A\beta$ , C1qA, ICAM-1, IFN- $\gamma$ , IL-4, IL-12-, IL-13, MIP-1 $\alpha$ , MIP-1 $\beta$ , and RANTES. The energies of these proteins can be found in Appendix 8.

Each system was set up such that one of the aromatic rings (or its attached functional groups) was located roughly 3.0 Å away from two of the basic amino acids in the **BBXB** motif for each protein. The same set up was used for proteins with two identical **BBXB** motifs. Before minimization, the protein backbone was constrained, and the steepest descents algorithm was used. The final systems were imported into MOE to determine what type of binding interactions may have occurred [47].

### **3.11.2 GAS PHASE RESULTS OF THE OPTIMIZATION OF NCE-0217 WITH PROTEINS BEARING BBXB**

The results of the gas phase minimizations are summarized in the following tables. Binding interactions are coloured green for cation- $\pi$ , light blue for  $\pi$ - $\pi$  and orange for hydrogen bonds: the darker the colour, the more interactions occurring. Binding with the  $-\text{CH}_2-$  chain is indicated in indigo, and with the  $\text{C}=\text{O}$  of the protein backbone in light purple.

**Table 3.121: The gas phase results of the optimization of NCE-0217 with A $\beta$ , C1qA, ICAM-1, IFN- $\gamma$ , IL-4, IL-12 and IL-13**

Protein	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation						Binding Energy (kcal/mol)			
	H13	H14	Q15	K16	Y10	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	Total	VdW	Ele	
A $\beta$	NAr	CIn			CIn		NAr	CIn			-14.78	-9.29	-6.44	
	CIn	NAr					CIn	NAr			-15.51	-7.15	-9.46	
	CIn			NAr		CIn			NAr		-20.85	-7.39	-15.09	
	NAr			CIn		NAr			CIn		-22.28	-9.32	-14.24	
C1qA	K200	K201	G202	H203	E148	K200	K201	G202	H203					
	NAr	CIn				NAr	CIn				-111.63	-5.60	-113.67	
	CIn	NAr				CIn					-109.31	-4.75	-108.90	
	CIn			NAr	CIn	CIn	CIn		NAr		-111.48	-7.46	-111.13	
	NAr			CIn	NAr		NAr		CIn		-94.97	-8.79	-92.83	
	CIn		NAr		CIn				CIn		-115.01	-0.94	-122.01	
	NAr		CIn		NAr						-124.18	-10.47	-120.39	
ICAM-1	R149	R150	D151	H152	R125	L130	L147	R149	R150	D151	H152			
	NAr	CIn						NAr	CIn			-14.41	-6.04	-9.54
	CIn	NAr						CIn	NAr			-18.84	-5.83	-14.65
	CIn			NAr	NAr		NAr			NAr		-30.00	-12.64	-19.85
	NAr			CIn	CIn	CIn		NAr		CIn		-37.17	-13.11	-28.88
		R150	D151	H152	H153	R125	R149	R150	D151	H152	H153			
		NAr	CIn		NAr	NAr		NAr	NAr			-27.26	-13.80	-19.41
	CIn		NAr		CIn	CIn		NAr	CIn			-37.16	-13.19	-28.04
	NAr		CIn				CIn			CIn		-10.75	-5.48	-7.67
	NAr		CIn				NAr					-21.50	-5.41	-18.63
IFN- $\gamma$	K86	K87	K88	R89	K86	K87	K88	R89	D90					
	NAr	CIn			NAr						-19.75	-3.50	-14.17	
	CIn	NAr			CIn						-20.88	-3.55	-14.39	
	CIn			NAr		CIn					3.43	-7.08	9.09	
		NAr		CIn				CIn	CIn		-16.03	-6.98	-8.55	
	CIn			NAr	-	-	-	-	-		-14.79	-4.96	-9.84	
	NAr			CIn	NAr						-18.79	-5.62	-12.50	
	(A)	K86	K87	K88	R89	K74	K86	K87	K88	R89	D90			
	(B)	K206	K207	K208	R209	K194	K206	K207	K208	R209	E213			
	(A)	NAr	CIn				NAr					-41.45	-7.82	-32.99
(B)						NAr								
(A)	CIn	NAr				CIn					-29.81	-4.08	-24.80	
(B)						CIn								
(A)		NAr		CIn		CIn			CIn	NAr	-42.43	-9.99	-32.42	
(B)						CIn			CIn					
(A)		CIn		NAr		-	-	-	-	-	-18.23	-12.17	-5.32	
(B)						-	-	-	-	-				
(A)	NAr			CIn		-	-	-	-	-	-34.76	-7.01	-28.61	
(B)						CIn/NAr			CIn					
(A)	CIn			NAr	NAr	CIn			NAr	NAr	-41.04	-14.42	-24.79	
(B)					NAr	CIn			NAr	NAr				
IL-4	H58	H59	E60	K61	S57	H58	H59	E60	K61	D62	R64			
	NAr	CIn				NAr/CIn	CIn					-20.62	-6.56	-16.46
	CIn	NAr					NAr				NAr	-17.26	-5.19	-15.21
	CIn			NAr	NAr	CIn	CIn		NAr	CIn	CIn	-25.40	-11.69	-19.61
	NAr			CIn		NAr	NAr		CIn	NAr		-28.90	-11.64	-21.78
	CIn			NAr	CIn	CIn			CIn			-19.10	-4.18	-17.57
NAr			CIn		CIn	CIn		NAr			-24.77	-10.23	-20.21	
	H74	R75	H76	K77	Q71	H74	R75	H76	K77					
	NAr	CIn			NAr	NAr					-24.83	-3.94	-23.72	
	CIn	NAr			NAr		NAr				-25.36	-4.05	-23.87	
	CIn			NAr		CIn					-17.51	-0.84	-18.26	
	NAr			CIn					CIn		-17.54	-3.36	-18.25	
	H194	K195	L196	K197	H194	K195	L196	K197						
IL-12	NAr	CIn			NAr	CIn					-36.00	-6.38	-31.00	
	CIn	NAr			CIn		NAr				-32.85	-5.82	-31.47	
	CIn			NAr		CIn		NAr			-38.28	-5.63	-35.59	
		NAr		CIn				CIn			-46.15	-1.69	-43.78	
	CIn			NAr	CIn						-26.56	-6.13	-24.52	
NAr			CIn	-	-	-	-	-		-20.72	-3.47	-20.04		
	H102	L103	K104	K105	I37	L101	H102	L103	K104	K105				
IL-13	CIn			NAr		CIn	CIn				-10.35	-4.27	-6.89	
	NAr			CIn	NAr		NAr			CIn	-8.27	-9.53	-0.83	

**Table 3.122: The gas phase results of the optimization of NCE-0217 with MIP-1 $\alpha$ , MIP-1 $\beta$ , and RANTES**

Protein	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation								Binding Energy (kcal/mol)		
	K45	R46	S47	R48	R18	N23	F24	K45	R46	S47	R48	Total	VdW	Ele	
MIP-1 $\alpha$	NAr	CIn							CIn			-13.73	-4.00	-10.30	
	CIn	NAr										-15.82	-2.87	-12.86	
		CIn		NAr						CIn		-11.85	-4.86	-7.56	
		NAr		CIn	CIn						CIn	-24.54	-3.78	-19.61	
	CIn	NAr		CIn		CIn	NAr	CIn				-30.99	-14.49	-16.60	
	NAr			CIn			NAr	NAr				-18.34	-11.28	-8.98	
	(A)	K45	R46	S47	R48	R18	N23	F24	K45	R46	S47	R48			
	(B)	K45	R46	S47	R48	R18	N23	F24	K45	R46	S47	R48			
	(A)	NAr	CIn							CIn			-32.75	-6.14	-28.31
	(B)	NAr	CIn							CIn			-32.75	-6.14	-28.31
(A)	CIn	NAr			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-40.85	-4.16	-36.86	
(B)	CIn	NAr			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-40.85	-4.16	-36.86	
(A)		NAr		CIn	CIn				NAr		CIn	-44.64	-10.45	-34.30	
(B)		NAr		CIn	CIn				NAr		CIn	-44.64	-10.45	-34.30	
(A)		CIn		NAr	NAr				CIn		NAr	-31.13	-11.38	-20.00	
(B)		CIn		NAr	NAr				CIn		NAr	-31.13	-11.38	-20.00	
(A)	NAr			CIn			NAr/CIn	NAr			CIn	-48.73	-21.04	-30.50	
(B)	NAr			CIn			NAr		CIn		CIn	-48.73	-21.04	-30.50	
(A)	CIn			NAr		CIn					NAr	-55.98	-23.74	-32.57	
(B)	CIn			NAr		CIn		NAr	CIn		NAr	-55.98	-23.74	-32.57	
MIP-1 $\beta$	K45	R46	S47	K58	K45	R46	S47	K58				-3.43	-1.65	-3.40	
	NAr	CIn			-	-	-	-				-4.47	-3.65	-2.68	
	CIn	NAr			CIn							-10.37	-3.73	-8.15	
		CIn		NAr	-	-	-	-				-10.62	-4.82	-7.54	
		NAr		CIn		NAr			CIn			-9.70	-6.87	-2.86	
	CIn	NAr		CIn	CIn	NAr						-16.97	-10.34	-8.77	
	NAr			CIn	CIn/NAr				CIn			-16.97	-10.34	-8.77	
	(A)	K45	R46	S47	K48	K45	R46	S47	K48						
	(B)	K45	R46	S47	K48	K45	R46	S47	K48						
	(A)	NAr	CIn			NAr	CIn					-20.09	-5.90	-15.83	
(B)	NAr	CIn			NAr	CIn					-20.09	-5.90	-15.83		
(A)	CIn	NAr				CIn					-14.52	-5.85	-11.96		
(B)	CIn	NAr				CIn					-14.52	-5.85	-11.96		
(A)		NAr		CIn	-	-	-	-			CIn	-28.65	-5.35	-24.47	
(B)		NAr		CIn	-	-	-	-			CIn	-28.65	-5.35	-24.47	
(A)		CIn		NAr		CIn			NAr			-11.17	-9.75	-3.51	
(B)		CIn		NAr		CIn			NAr			-11.17	-9.75	-3.51	
RANTES	R44	K45	N46	R47	S1	P2	R44	K45	N46	R47		-151.47	-4.65	-147.29	
	NAr	CIn						NAr	CIn			-149.21	1.43	-158.31	
	CIn	NAr						CIn	NAr			-143.92	-5.80	-140.14	
		CIn		NAr	NAr	NAr			CIn		NAr	-113.82	-5.77	-103.87	
		NAr		CIn	CIn						CIn	-190.70	2.02	-196.39	
	CIn	NAr		CIn				CIn				-145.33	-6.24	-139.53	
	NAr			CIn				NAr			CIn	-145.33	-6.24	-139.53	
	(A)	R44	K45	N46	R47	S1	P2	R44	K45	N46	R47				
	(B)	R44	K45	N46	R47	S1	P2	R44	K45	N46	R47				
	(A)	NAr	CIn						NAr	CIn			-313.90	-11.43	-296.37
(B)	NAr	CIn						NAr	CIn			-313.90	-11.43	-296.37	
(A)	CIn	NAr						CIn	NAr			-306.47	6.38	-334.10	
(B)	CIn	NAr						CIn	NAr			-306.47	6.38	-334.10	
(A)		NAr		CIn					CIn		CIn	-264.20	-10.20	-241.44	
(B)		NAr		CIn					NAr/CIn		CIn	-264.20	-10.20	-241.44	
(A)		CIn		NAr	NAr	NAr			CIn		NAr	-241.09	-14.73	-234.91	
(B)		CIn		NAr	NAr	NAr			CIn		NAr	-241.09	-14.73	-234.91	
(A)	NAr			CIn				NAr			CIn	-314.20	-10.40	-316.84	
(B)	NAr			CIn				NAr			CIn	-314.20	-10.40	-316.84	
(A)	CIn			NAr		NAr			CIn		NAr	-345.17	-3.81	-341.04	
(B)	CIn			NAr		NAr			CIn		NAr	-345.17	-3.81	-341.04	

The results of the optimization of NCE-0217 with the **BBXB** region are quite favourable. For all of the proteins, with the exception of IFN- $\gamma$ , the compound was

capable of binding to **BBXB** at multiple sites. Overall, hydrogen bonds were the preferred type of interaction, followed by cation- $\pi$  interactions; very few  $\pi$ - $\pi$  systems were observed.

For the interactions with  $\beta$ -amyloid, NCE-0217 bound equally at B<sup>1</sup>B<sup>2</sup> and B<sup>1</sup>B<sup>3</sup>, with numerous cation- $\pi$  interactions occurring. The electrostatic energy contributions are slightly more favourable than the van der Waals contributions.

In the optimizations with C1qA, only hydrogen bonds formed, with all possible combinations of **BBXB** interactions forming equally. The electrostatic energies are significantly lower than the van der Waals energies.

NCE-0217 was capable of binding to ICAM-1 at B<sup>1</sup>B<sup>2</sup> and B<sup>1</sup>B<sup>3</sup>; however multiple binding orientations occurred at one of the **BBXB** regions preferentially. In general the electrostatic energies contributed more so to the overall binding energies. Both hydrogen bonds and cation- $\pi$  interactions were observed in almost equal numbers for these systems.

The results of the gas phase minimization of NCE-0217 with IFN- $\gamma$  demonstrated a lack of binding to multiple sites of **BBXB** when only one region was targeted. When two sites were interacting with the compound, binding favoured B<sup>1</sup>B<sup>3</sup>, and there were more hydrogen bonds present in these systems. The overall energies were quite variable.

Binding interactions at B<sup>1</sup>B<sup>2</sup> were slightly more favoured than the other two arrangements for the optimization of IL-4 and NCE-0217. One **BBXB** target was capable of forming more bonds than the other, although there were no significant differences

between the energies observed at these different sites; both cation- $\pi$  and hydrogen bonds formed.

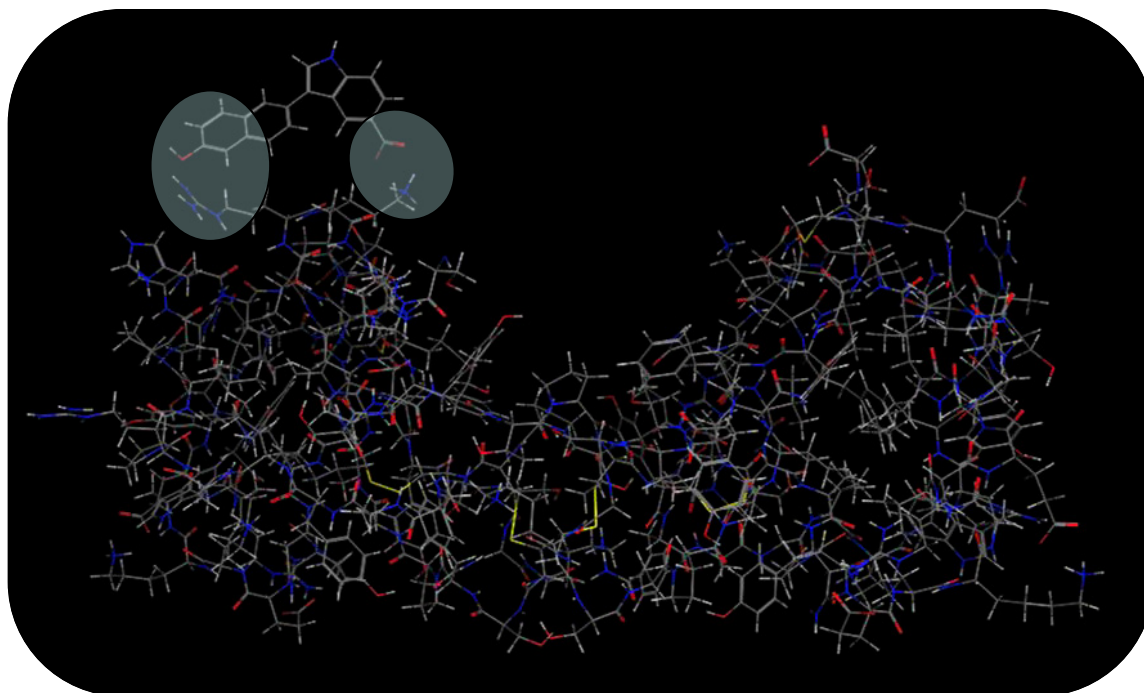
Interactions at multiple sites within the **BBXB** region of IL-12 were observed. The electrostatic energies were lower, and only hydrogen bonds formed in these systems.

In the case of the IL-13 protein, the energies were the least favourable of all the minimizations, although binding still occurred at two sites within the **BBXB** region.

When both the single site and multiple site results of NCE-0217 optimized with MIP-1 $\alpha$  are examined, it can be observed that mostly hydrogen bonds have formed, B<sup>1</sup>B<sup>3</sup> and B<sup>2</sup>B<sup>3</sup> are the favoured binding orientations at multiple sites, and the electrostatic energies tend to be more favourable.

The B<sup>2</sup>B<sup>3</sup> orientation is slightly more preferred for NCE-0217 binding to MIP-1 $\beta$ . Measured bonds consist of both hydrogen bonds and cation- $\pi$  interactions, and energies are variable.

The gas phase minimizations of NCE-0217 with RANTES are quite favourable; interactions occurred at multiple sites within **BBXB**, almost all of the systems had formed hydrogen bonds, and the energies are very low, with the electrostatic contributions outweighing the van der Waals energies. An example of one of these favourable interactions can be seen in Figure 3.19.



**Figure 3.19: Interaction between NCE-0217 and RANTES. Binding sites between the molecule and the BBXB region are highlighted.**

### **3.11.3 CONCLUSIONS OF NCE-0217 OPTIMIZED WITH PROTEINS BEARING BBXB**

The results of the minimizations of NCE-0217 and multiple proteins indicated in Alzheimer's disease suggest this is a potential lead molecule. The compound was capable of binding to multiple sites within the **BBXB** region for all of the proteins examined and the energies are favourable.

Overall the energy contributions were more strongly affected by the electrostatic contributions, with hydrogen bonds and cation- $\pi$  interactions being the most prevalent of the measured interactions.

This molecule has also been tested *in vitro* and has shown itself capable of preventing A $\beta$  aggregation. A series of analogues of NCE-0217 was thus developed by



the Weaver group for furthering the advancement of the active properties of this molecule.

#### **3.11.4 DEVELOPMENT OF A QSAR FOR ANALOGUES OF NCE-0217**

Recognizing the potential of NCE-0217 as an anti-aggregant for AD and as a potential “promiscuous” drug has led to the design of a series of analogues of this compound. These analogues were used to develop a QSAR to determine which compounds would be suitable for synthesis. A series of 77 analogues was used to develop a suitable model.

##### ***3.11.4.1 DEVELOPMENT OF THE QSAR MODEL OF NCE-0217***

There were 77 analogues of NCE-0217 that were suitable for use in developing a QSAR. Only a few of the compounds had measured IC<sub>50</sub> values, so the rest of the compounds were assigned values based on their relative activity. Several attempts were made before a suitable model could be developed.

Initial attempts to use the PLS method for the QSAR were unsuccessful despite manipulation of the training and validation set sizes and compositions. Given the presence of boron in some of the analogues it was determined that the MMFF94x force field would best be able to model all of the series. Finally the binary method was used to determine whether compounds were active or inactive.

The training set was composed of 56 molecules, and attempts were made to ensure every type of molecule was included and that a range of activities was covered. The remaining 21 molecules formed the validation set. The pIC<sub>50</sub> value was calculated

from the  $IC_{50}$ s and used as the activity for determining which descriptors would be relevant. The threshold for activity was set at -2.65.

All of the available descriptors in MOE were calculated for this QSAR, and were eliminated one by one based on their relative importance to the prediction [88]. This followed the same procedure as in Section 3.9. Thirteen descriptors were selected as the final amount necessary to predict activity or inactivity to a reasonable level and they are defined in Table 3.123.

The overall accuracy of the model for the training set was 0.95 (with a sensitivity of 0.95 and a selectivity of 0.95) with a cross-validated accuracy of 0.89 (0.86 for the sensitivity and 0.95 for the selectivity). This model predicted one false positive and three false negatives in the training set. The Cohen's kappa value for the model was calculated to be 0.84, which indicates excellent agreement between the observed and predicted activities. Two false positives and four false negatives were predicted in the validation set, resulting in a sensitivity of 0.78 and a selectivity of 0.57. The calculated Cohen's kappa is 0.36, which is a fair value but could be improved upon. The predictions are summarized in Table 3.124, and full structures of the analogues are listed in Appendix 9.

**Table 3.123: Descriptors used for the QSAR of NCE-0217 analogues**

Descriptor	Function
ASA+	The water accessible surface area for atoms with a positive partial charge
b_triple	Number of triple bonds
CASA-	Negative charge weighted surface area
E	The potential energy
E_nb	The value of the potential energy with all bonded terms disabled
PEOE_VSA-3	Partial equilization of orbital electronegativities used to calculate atomic partial charges over the van der Waals surface area and the hydrophobic van der Waals surface area
PEOE_VSA+1	
PEOE_VSA_HYD	
SlogP_VSA3	Log of the octanol/water coefficient based on the accessible van der Waals surface area
SlogP_VSA9	
SMR_VSA0	Contributions to the molar refractivity based on the accessible van der Waals surface area falling within a specific range
vsurf_HB7	Hydrogen bond donor capacity
vsurf_W6	Hydrophilic volume

**Table 3.124: Predicted activities for the training and validation sets of the NCE-0217 analogues**

Compound ID	IC <sub>50</sub>	Predicted Activity	Compound ID	IC <sub>50</sub>	Predicted Activity
Training set			Training set		
103	15.6	Active	238	20.9	Active
104	500	<b>Active</b>	239	1000	Inactive
105	50.4	Active	240	12	Active
108	60	Active	241	1000	Inactive
109	6.5	Active	252	100	Active
110	10	Active	253	11.8	Active
111	60	Active	254	60	Active
112	34.4	Active	289	500	Inactive
116	1000	Inactive	295	10	Active
117	10	Active	309	60	<b>Inactive</b>
120	60	Active	332	60	Active
122	60	Active	335	18.7	Active
123	500	Inactive	336	2.9	Active
125	1000	Inactive	342	6.7	Active
133	60	Active	343	6.9	Active
135	60	<b>Inactive</b>	353	6.2	Active
137	500	Inactive	354	20	Active
Training set			Validation set		
155	60	<b>Inactive</b>	106	24.7	Active
156	500	Inactive	107	500	Inactive
157	500	Inactive	115	500	Inactive
161	60	Active	121	60	Active
169	500	Inactive	124	500	<b>Active</b>
170	500	Inactive	132	60	Active
172	10	Active	134	60	Active
173	1000	Inactive	136	500	Inactive
175	100	Active	163	500	<b>Active</b>
176	1.99	Active	168	500	<b>Active</b>
177	1000	Inactive	171	5.8	Active
179	60	Active	174	1000	Inactive
182	1000	Inactive	181	100	Active
185	12.5	Active	236	60	<b>Inactive</b>
190	60	Active	251	10	Active
191	500	Inactive	276	16.5	<b>Inactive</b>
200	500	Inactive	300	1.7	Active
201	500	Inactive	303	21	Active
213	100	Active	327	10.3	Active
218	100	Active	329	13	Active
230	60	Active	334	8.3	<b>Inactive</b>
235	1000	Inactive			

#### **3.11.4.2 RESULTS OF THE NCE-0217 QSAR**

The model QSAR that was developed was used to predict the activity of a series of 63 new analogues of NCE-0217 with unknown activities. These predictions were used to determine which molecules would be best suited for synthesis and *in vitro* testing. The results of the predictions are detailed in Appendix 9.

From the series, forty-one of the molecules were predicted to be active, with one more compound that was borderline inactive. The downside to the binary QSAR is that it only predicts active or inactive; it is difficult to tell which of these compounds would be most active. It is hoped that once more analogues are synthesized and IC<sub>50</sub> values are obtained that the QSAR model can be improved to better predict activity.

### **3.12 CONCLUSIONS**

The results of the optimizations of various small molecules endogenous to the brain with the **HHQK** region of  $\beta$ -amyloid with Alzheimer's disease indicate their potential as amyloid-antiaggregants. Both active and inactive molecules are found within the endogenous species examined, allowing for identification of the more viable routes to pursue.

Synthetic bi-aromatic molecules have also exhibited potential to act as promiscuous drug molecules by binding to the **BBXB** motif present on many proteins implicated in AD. Furthermore, the use of QSAR studies can help develop these molecules into even better targets.

Examination of the data has revealed that “physinformatics” may be a useful tool in the drug design process. While cheminformatics deals with large scale data mining such as screening virtual libraries, and docking simulations, there are details at the submolecular level that are also relevant. The atomic features that allow for bond formation and various types of interactions to occur are useful in designing drugs when the target region is known. In the case of this study, ideally the drug molecule should be capable of forming aromatic-aromatic interactions, aromatic-cationic interactions or hydrogen bonds. Physinformatics deals with searching libraries of data for specific functional groups and specific electronic arrangements of these functional groups such that molecules could be identified that bear these desired features. If the relative spatial arrangement and chemical features of the target are known (such as the **BBXB** region), the use of physinformatics allows for identification of lead molecules that will interact with more specificity. The positive results of the use of physinformatics can be seen in this chapter, as the screening of endogenous molecules looked at specific charged and aromatic regions at certain distances; most of the identified species were very capable of binding to the charged region of interest and lend themselves to further development.

### **3.13 INTERPRETATION**

The results of the *in silico* optimizations of phenylalanine, dopamine, D- and L-tryptophan, tryptamine and 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid demonstrate that not all endogenous small molecules are capable of binding to  $\beta$ -amyloid to prevent its aggregation.

Of the molecules systematically examined from the indoleamine metabolic pathway, only one demonstrated noticeable activity towards  $\beta$ -amyloid. Both tryptophan and tryptamine demonstrated only a few interactions with the **HHQK** region of A $\beta$ . When the measured binding energies of these systems were compared to the other species presented in this chapter, they were much less favourable. Combining both the number of interactions with the measured binding energies, it can be concluded that both D- and L-tryptophan and tryptamine are inactive molecules; this is further supported by *in vitro* results indicating a lack of effect in A $\beta$  aggregation inhibition. Relative to these two species, 3HAA demonstrates considerably more activity, both *in silico* and *in vitro*. The *in silico* studies on 3HAA demonstrate a capacity to bind to both the **HHQK** and **EVHHQK** regions of A $\beta$ .

Phenylalanine and dopamine bind to  $\beta$ -amyloid in the **HHQK** and **LVFF** regions of the protein. The binding energies of these two molecules are more favourable than those of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid, but the numbers of measurable binding interactions are more similar. These three molecules all represent viable targets for further development, and indeed the QSAR on 3HAA has shown that further active molecules can be designed through bioisosteric substitution and their binding sensitivity and selectivity can be improved accordingly.

The results of comparing the binding capacity of the novel chemical entities with a common **BBXB** receptor show the usefulness of designing molecules for a specific target located on multiple proteins. Given the implication of multiples factors in the progression of AD, there are a significant number of druggable targets; however, the more drugs an individual takes, the greater the risk of adverse drug-drug interactions.

The results of the NCEs demonstrate the viability of a single molecule, such as NCE-0103 or NCE-0325, binding to a specific **BBXB** receptor motif which is located only on proteins involved in AD. This presents the opportunity to design a single drug molecule to target a disease from multiple angles. For almost all of the proteins studies, the molecules bound within the **BBXB** region, with only a few interactions occurring with the amino acids of the surrounding side chains. This demonstrates a specificity of the compounds for the targeted region, which would further minimize adverse reactions.

The NCE compounds also demonstrate how analogues can be designed to increase the specificity and efficacy of potential therapeutic molecules. Of the NCEs examined, NCE-0112 demonstrates the least amount of binding and when compared to the other analogues, is the smallest and least substituted species. This information indicates that the size of the molecule plays a role in its capacity to interact with the **BBXB** target, and the substitution may play a role in how well those interactions occur.

The QSAR of NCE-0217 demonstrates that *in silico* methods can be used to reduce synthetic cost by identifying which species would be the most ideal options to synthesize in order to maximize activity, and to avoid wasting time and resources developing inactive analogues.



# CHAPTER 4: THE SEARCH FOR AN ENDOGENOUS ANTI-ALZHEIMER'S DRUG TARGETING EVHHQK

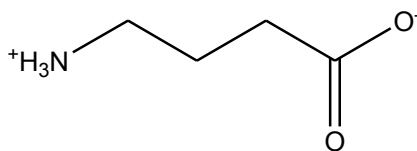
The **HHQK** region of  $\beta$ -amyloid is of interest in the development of anti-aggregants due to the role it plays in the protein misfolding. This highly positively charged region can interact with negatively charged macromolecules on cell membranes, such as with glycosaminoglycans; allowing for the misfolding process to occur and a seeding process to begin [16, 17]. If a molecule could bind to that region, it could prevent these interactions from occurring.

The focus on **HHQK** can be expanded to **EVHHQK**. The presence of a negatively charged glutamic acid residue located immediately next to **HHQK** allows for different species of molecules to be examined as potential targets. A molecule binding across this expanded region could likewise prevent unwanted binding with membrane surfaces. Some of the species examined in the previous chapter looked at their capacity to bind to **EVHHQK** as well as the other regions of interest, **HHQK** and **LVFF**.

This chapter will study the potential interactions of two endogenous molecules and two synthetic compounds, to determine how they could bind to the **EVHHQK** region of  $A\beta$ , and if the negatively charged functional group present plays a role in their binding strength.

## 4.1 $\gamma$ -AMINO BUTYRIC ACID

$\gamma$ -Aminobutyric acid (GABA) is an endogenous molecule of the brain that plays a role as an inhibitory neurotransmitter [39]. GABA is a  $\gamma$  amino acid, and exists as a zwitterion at physiological pH (Figure 4.1). The presence of both a negatively charged carboxylate group and a positively charged amino group should allow the molecule to interact with the EVHHQK region of  $\beta$ -amyloid.



**Figure 4.1: GABA at physiological pH**

### 4.1.1 GAS PHASE OPTIMIZATIONS OF GABA AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID

Gas phase optimizations were performed to examine the potential for GABA to bind to the EVHHQK region of A $\beta$ . These studies were performed in MOE using the CHARMM22 force field [48, 88].

#### 4.1.1.1 PREPARATION OF SYSTEMS FOR OPTIMIZATIONS

For the gas phase energy minimizations, the six conformers of  $\beta$ -amyloid (1AMB, 1AMC, 1AMl, 1BA4, 1IYT, 1Z0Q) were modified for physiological pH conditions [68-72, 83, 88]. As necessary, hydrogen atoms were added, and side chains were charged appropriately before optimization with a constrained protein backbone. The energies of these geometry optimized structures are listed in Appendix 6.

A model of GABA was constructed in an extended conformation and subjected to energy minimization (the results of a conformational search generated structures that were too collapsed for use). The optimized energies of GABA are given in Table 4.1.

**Table 4.1: Gas phase energies of GABA**

	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$
GABA	-10.51	1.11	-12.18

#### **4.1.1.2 SELECTION OF SYSTEMS FOR OPTIMIZATION**

For the gas phase minimizations, each system was set up such that either the carboxylate group or the amino group of GABA was oriented approximately 3.0 Å away from two of the charged amino acids in the EVHHQK region of  $\beta$ -amyloid. This was performed for each of the six different conformations of  $A\beta$ . Although interactions were expected to be unfavourable when the amino group was oriented towards the lysine side chain, they were still included to see what kind of binding interactions could occur in these situations.

#### **4.1.1.3 OPTIMIZATION OF THE GAS PHASE SYSTEMS**

For each of the minimizations the charges of the system were optimized for the CHARMM22 force field, and the protein backbone was constrained [48]. Each system was examined for potential binding interactions, and the energies of the geometry optimized systems were calculated via the following equations:

$$\Delta E_{\text{tot}} = E_{\text{tot}} - E_{A\beta} - E_{\text{GABA}} \quad (4.1)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}} = E_{\text{vdw}} - E_{\text{vdw}A\beta} - E_{\text{vdw}GABA} \quad (4.2)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{ele}} = E_{\text{ele}} - E_{\text{eleA}\beta} - E_{\text{eleGABA}} \quad (4.3)$$

The energies of the individually optimized protein conformation and GABA molecule were subtracted from the energy of the optimized system.

#### **4.1.2 RESULTS OF THE GAS PHASE OPTIMIZATIONS OF GABA AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

The results of the gas phase minimized systems of A $\beta$  and GABA are summarized in the following table, and divided by conformer. The initial orientation of the system, and the resulting orientation upon optimization are summarized with the amino acid side chains represented by single letter abbreviations; X indicates an amino acid outside of the EVHHQK region of interest. The amino group of GABA is represented by N, while the carboxylate group is represented by C.

The calculated binding energies are also given, along with the number of measurable bonds that formed in each system.

**Table 4.2: The gas phase results of GABA interacting with  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Conformer	Initial Orientation						Final Orientation							$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ (kcal/mol)	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ (kcal/mol)	$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ (kcal/mol)	Measured Bonds					
	E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	X									
1AMB	C			N					C									-36.35	-0.29	-37.83	0	
	N			C			N		C									-29.96	-1.59	-28.56	1	
			N	C					C				N					-21.77	-2.83	-19.83	1	
			C	N					C	C									-31.09	-4.44	-29.98	0
			C			N			C				C						-35.92	-1.91	-35.33	1
			N			C							C						-36.12	-1.86	-34.77	1
1AMC	C			N			-	-	-	-	-	-	-					-4.40	0.28	-4.77	0	
	N			C			N		C									-48.19	-0.75	-47.91	0	
			C	N					C	N			C						-31.53	-4.94	-29.38	0
			N	C					C				N						-42.19	-0.37	-43.76	0
			C			N			C				C						-37.58	-2.22	-36.33	1
			N			C							C						-39.43	-1.39	-39.02	0
1AML	N			C			N		C	N		C						-29.57	-3.50	-27.29	0	
	C			N					C										-18.14	-3.45	-15.89	0
			N	C					C				C						-41.01	0.84	-49.17	0
			C	N					C				C						-56.26	-8.47	-51.11	0
			C			N		C	C										-43.94	-2.99	-41.56	1
			N			C							C						-29.67	-1.13	-29.98	0
1BA4	N					C	C					C	N/C					-18.91	-8.15	-19.59	0	
	C					N	N					N	N/C						-48.97	-3.57	-46.26	0
			N	C					C	C									-48.09	-3.55	-44.32	0
			C	N					C										-36.09	-1.41	-34.03	0
1HYT	N			C			N		C										-41.41	-5.56	-35.33	0
	C			N					N				N						-16.64	-5.12	-10.53	0
			C	N					C	C			C						-41.27	-5.13	-34.72	0
			N	C					N/C	C									-20.66	-2.05	-17.05	1
			N			C							C						-36.80	-0.43	-34.44	0
			C			N							C	N					-38.91	-3.58	-36.07	0
1Z0Q	N			C			N		C										-46.87	-2.60	-44.77	1
	C			N			C				C								-10.73	-2.40	-11.50	0
			N	C					C				C						-24.11	-3.05	-23.24	0
			C	N					C					C					-37.26	-3.64	-35.23	0
			C			N							C						-31.49	-0.50	-31.40	1
			N			C							C						-27.38	-0.41	-27.37	1

The gas phase results indicate that GABA is capable of binding to the EVHHQK region of A $\beta$ . Interactions at Glu11-His14 and His13-His14 are the favoured orientations in the minimized systems.

#### 4.1.3 THE SOLUTION PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF GABA AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID

Solution phase geometry optimizations were performed for each of the gas phase optimized systems of GABA and  $\beta$ -amyloid. Systems were solvated with a box of water molecules large enough to surround the system with an 8.0 Å margin. Energy

minimization was performed with unconstrained protein backbones and periodic boundary conditions, and the optimized systems were examined for potential binding interactions. The energies of the systems were measured in the absence of solvent with constrained protein backbones to better determine the strength of interactions.

The binding energies were calculated using the following equations:

$$\Delta E_{\text{tot}} = E_{\text{tot}} - E_{\text{A}\beta} - E_{\text{GABA}} \quad (4.4)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{ele}} = E_{\text{ele}} - E_{\text{eleA}\beta} - E_{\text{eleGABA}} \quad (4.5)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}} = E_{\text{vdw}} - E_{\text{vdwA}\beta} - E_{\text{vdwGABA}} \quad (4.6)$$

The energies of A $\beta$  and GABA optimized individually in solvated environments were subtracted from the energies of the optimized systems to calculate the binding energies. The energies of the  $\beta$ -amyloid conformers are given in Appendix 6 and the energies of the optimized GABA molecule are given in Table 4.3.

**Table 4.3: Solution phase energies of GABA**

	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$
GABA	-4.73	0.85	-11.72

#### **4.1.4 THE RESULTS OF THE SOLUTION PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF GABA AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

The results of the energy minimization of solvated systems of GABA and six different conformers of  $\beta$ -amyloid are summarized in the following tables. The initial and final orientations of the system are given with the three letter abbreviations of the amino acids. The measured energies and the binding energies are given, and binding interactions are noted according to colour. Hydrogen bonds are coloured orange, and interactions with

the  $-CH_2-$  chain are indigo, the  $-CH-$  of the backbone are lime green, and the  $C=O$  of the backbone are purple.

**Table 4.4: The solution phase results of GABA interacting with the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Tyr10	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation				C			N				C			
Final Orientation				C			N				C			
Total =	-54.71 kcal/mol						-57.67 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	38.81 kcal/mol						44.48 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-261.81 kcal/mol						-253.80 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-64.37 kcal/mol						-67.32 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-10.19 kcal/mol						-4.51 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-55.86 kcal/mol						-47.85 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation	N			C						C			C	
Final Orientation	N			C						C			C	
Total =	-49.81 kcal/mol						-45.92 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	42.06 kcal/mol						51.70 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-256.77 kcal/mol						-254.23 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-59.47 kcal/mol						-55.58 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-6.94 kcal/mol						2.70 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-50.83 kcal/mol						-48.28 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation			C	C									C	
Final Orientation			C	C						C			C	C
Total =	-61.02 kcal/mol						-53.28 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	43.62 kcal/mol						42.83 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-252.97 kcal/mol						-244.36 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-70.68 kcal/mol						-62.94 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-5.38 kcal/mol						-6.17 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-47.02 kcal/mol						-38.41 kcal/mol							

**Table 4.5: The solution phase results of GABA interacting with the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Tyr10	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-					C			N
Final Orientation				N							C			N
Total =	-18.48 kcal/mol						-78.66 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	52.93 kcal/mol						45.81 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-244.22 kcal/mol						-275.78 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	16.68 kcal/mol						-43.49 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	16.11 kcal/mol						8.99 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-2.86 kcal/mol						-34.42 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation	N			C						C	N			C
Final Orientation	N			C			C			C	N			C
											C			
Total =	-99.65 kcal/mol						-81.76 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	33.15 kcal/mol						38.61 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-282.68 kcal/mol						-276.81 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-64.48 kcal/mol						-46.59 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-3.67 kcal/mol						1.79 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-41.32 kcal/mol						-35.45 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation			C			C								C
Final Orientation			C			C	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total =	-70.99 kcal/mol						-79.45 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	46.49 kcal/mol						50.17 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-278.28 kcal/mol						-285.23 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-35.83 kcal/mol						-44.28 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	9.67 kcal/mol						13.35 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-36.92 kcal/mol						-43.87 kcal/mol							



**Table 4.6: The solution phase results of GABA interacting with the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Arg5	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Val18	Tyr10	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation					C				C			C			
Final Orientation	C								C			C			
Total =	91.90 kcal/mol								47.94 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	60.19 kcal/mol								63.23 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-192.81 kcal/mol								-228.06 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-22.68 kcal/mol								-66.64 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-10.11 kcal/mol								-7.07 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-9.99 kcal/mol								-45.24 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	C	N			C	N			C						
Final Orientation	C	N				N		N					C		
Total =	77.48 kcal/mol								42.43 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	66.61 kcal/mol								72.37 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-196.75 kcal/mol								-238.93 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-37.10 kcal/mol								-72.15 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-3.69 kcal/mol								2.07 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-13.93 kcal/mol								-56.11 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation			C	C											C
Final Orientation			C	C			C								C
Total =	63.09 kcal/mol								93.41 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	68.02 kcal/mol								70.90 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-226.49 kcal/mol								-214.71 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-51.49 kcal/mol								-21.17 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-2.28 kcal/mol								0.60 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-43.67 kcal/mol								-31.89 kcal/mol						

**Table 4.7: The solution phase results of GABA interacting with the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Glu3	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Phe19
Initial Orientation	N	N					N	C
Final Orientation	N						N	N C
Total =	75.27 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	73.11 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-217.83 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-46.84 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	1.14 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-42.89 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation	N	C					C	C
	C							
Final Orientation	N	N					C	C
Total =	72.94 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	80.46 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-217.83 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-49.17 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	8.49 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-42.79 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation				C				
Final Orientation				C				
Total =	66.95 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	72.17 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-216.33 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-55.16 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	0.19 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-41.29 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation				C	C			
Final Orientation				C	C			
Total =	28.59 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	69.93 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-250.16 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-93.52 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-2.05 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-75.12 kcal/mol							

**Table 4.8: The solution phase results of GABA interacting with the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Glu1	Val2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Phe20	Tyr10	Glu11	Val2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation			N	C				N				N			
			C												
Final Orientation			N	C				N	N			N			
			C												
Total =	78.59 kcal/mol							68.99 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	59.40 kcal/mol							64.70 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-214.32 kcal/mol							-214.83 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-66.51 kcal/mol							-76.11 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-17.56 kcal/mol							-12.26 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	4.45 kcal/mol							3.93 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation						C	N		N			C			
Final Orientation						C	N		N			C			
Total =	38.36 kcal/mol							47.02 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	70.07 kcal/mol							71.76 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-257.00 kcal/mol							-247.41 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-106.74 kcal/mol							-98.08 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-6.90 kcal/mol							-5.20 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-38.24 kcal/mol							-28.65 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation						C					C	C			C
Final Orientation			C								C	C			C
Total =	62.09 kcal/mol							49.40 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	64.66 kcal/mol							74.62 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-233.50 kcal/mol							-263.68 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-83.01 kcal/mol							-95.70 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-12.30 kcal/mol							-2.34 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-14.74 kcal/mol							-44.92 kcal/mol							

**Table 4.9: The solution phase results of GABA interacting with the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

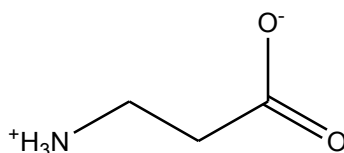
	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Tyr10	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation	C				C		C			C			
Final Orientation	C				C		C			C			
Total =	86.70 kcal/mol						66.11 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	62.28 kcal/mol						70.70 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-215.62 kcal/mol						-238.28 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-45.30 kcal/mol						-65.98 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-19.78 kcal/mol						-11.36 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-22.27 kcal/mol						-44.93 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	N			C									C
Final Orientation	N			C			C			C			C
Total =	68.29 kcal/mol						116.70 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	83.65 kcal/mol						77.94 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-251.24 kcal/mol						-208.98 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-63.71 kcal/mol						-15.29 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	1.60 kcal/mol						-4.11 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-57.89 kcal/mol						-15.63 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation						C							C
Final Orientation						C							C
Total =	112.94 kcal/mol						61.90 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	80.70 kcal/mol						71.70 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-217.54 kcal/mol						-249.29 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-19.06 kcal/mol						-70.10 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-1.35 kcal/mol						-10.36 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-24.19 kcal/mol						-55.94 kcal/mol						

The results of the solution phase optimization of GABA with  $\beta$ -amyloid indicate the neurotransmitter is capable of binding to the protein at two or more sites simultaneously within the EVHHQK region of interest. Interactions at His13-His14 are favoured, followed by Glu11-His14, then His13-Lys16. Only hydrogen bond interactions were formed in the optimized systems.

The electrostatic energies are much more favourable than the van der Waals energies of the systems, and there is no correlation between the favourability of the energies and the amount of binding occurring in the system. There are likely repulsive factors at play that cannot be visualized.

## 4.2 $\beta$ -ALANINE

$\beta$ -Alanine (Figure 4.2) is another small molecule endogenous to the brain that exhibits neuromodulatory effects [39]. It can exhibit effects on both GABAergic and glutamatergic processes in the brain [39]. It is similar in structure to GABA, being only one carbon unit shorter.



**Figure 4.2:  $\beta$ -alanine at physiological pH**

While the molecule exhibits the same functional groups as GABA, the shorter length will help to determine if the size of the amino acid is factor in its potential to form interactions within the EVHHQK region of  $\beta$ -amyloid.

### 4.2.1 THE GAS PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF $\beta$ -ALANINE AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID

An extended conformation of  $\beta$ -alanine was constructed and geometry optimized in the gas phase using the CHARMM22 force field [48, 88]. The energies of the optimized structure are given in Table 4.10.

**Table 4.10: The gas phase energies of  $\beta$ -alanine**

	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$
$\beta$ -alanine	-22.66	0.82	-23.78

Gas phase optimizations were performed following the procedure outlined in section 4.1.1.2-4.1.1.3. The energies were calculated using the same equations 4.1-4.3 with the energy of the optimized  $\beta$ -alanine molecule replacing the energy of GABA. The

protein energies are those calculated with a constrained backbone and listed in Appendix 6.

#### **4.2.2 THE GAS PHASE RESULTS OF $\beta$ -ALANINE INTERACTING WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

The gas phase results are summarized in the following table. The initial orientation of  $\beta$ -alanine and the final orientation upon minimization are given with the amino acids represented by single letters. The amino and carboxylate groups of  $\beta$ -alanine are represented by N and C, respectively. Interactions occurring with amino acids outside the EVHHQK region of interest are listed under the column X. The calculated binding energies are listed for each system, as well as the number of measurable bonds that formed.

The gas phase optimizations of  $\beta$ -alanine and the different conformers of A $\beta$  indicate that binding interactions can form at multiple sites within EVHHQK. Glu11-His14, His13-His14, and His13-Lys16 are the order of preferred binding interactions.

**Table 4.11: The gas phase results of  $\beta$ -alanine interacting with  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Conformer	Initial Orientation						Final Orientation							$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ (kcal/mol)	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ (kcal/mol)	$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ (kcal/mol)	Measured Bonds		
	E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	X						
1AMB	C			N					C										0
	N			C			N		C										0
			N	C										C					0
			C	N					C	C				N					0
			C			N			C				C						1
			N			C			C										0
1AMC	C			N			N												1
	N			C			N		C										1
			C	N					C	C/N				N					0
			N	C						C				N/C					0
			C			N			C				C						1
			N			C			C					C					0
1AML	C			N					C										0
	N			C			N		C				N						0
			C	N					C					C					1
			N	C										C					0
			C			N		-	-	-	-	-	-	-					0
			N			C								C					0
1BA4	C					N	C						N/C						0
	N					C	N						N						1
			N	C					C										0
			C	N					C	C									0
1IYT	C			N			-	-	-	-	-	-	-						0
	N			C			N												1
			N	C					C	C									0
			C	N					C										0
			C			N			C					C					0
			N			C								C					1
1Z0Q	C			N			C			N									0
	N			C						C									0
			N	C						C									0
			C	N						C									0
			C			N				C									0
			N			C								C					0

### 4.2.3 THE SOLUTION PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF $\beta$ -ALANINE AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID

Each of the gas phase systems was optimized in a solution phase environment.

Explicit water molecules were used to solvate the system in a box surrounding the systems, with an 8.0 Å margin selected. Periodic boundary conditions were in place during the energy minimization.

The energies of the optimized systems were measured with a constrained protein backbone and the solvent molecules excluded. The energies could therefore be compared to better understand the contributions due to the binding or non-binding interactions

occurring. The same equations of 4.4-4.6 were used with the solution phase optimized  $\beta$ -alanine energy replaced the solvated GABA energy. The energies of the solution phase minimized  $\beta$ -alanine are given in Table 4.12.

**Table 4.12: Solution phase energies of  $\beta$ -alanine**

	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$
$\beta$ -alanine	-18.32	2.67	-23.64

#### **4.2.4 THE RESULTS OF THE SOLUTION PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF $\beta$ -ALANINE AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

The results of the solvation energy minimized systems of  $\beta$ -alanine and  $\beta$ -amyloid are summarized in Tables 4.13-4.18. Initial and final orientations of the interactions of  $\beta$ -alanine with the protein are represented by 3 letter amino acid abbreviations, and N and C for the charged amino and carboxylate groups of  $\beta$ -alanine. The measured energies of the systems are given, and the resulting binding energies that were calculated.

Hydrogen bonds are represented by orange coloured cells, and a cation- $\pi$  interaction is in green. Interactions with the  $-\text{CH}_2-$  chain of the amino acid are in indigo, while backbone interactions are coloured purple for  $\text{C}=\text{O}$  and lime green for  $-\text{CH}-$ .



**Table 4.13: The solution phase results of  $\beta$ -alanine interacting with the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Glu1	Val2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Tyr10	Glu1	Val2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation				C			N			C	C		
Final Orientation				N			N			C			
				C									
Total =	-60.34 kcal/mol						-70.01 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	40.23 kcal/mol						37.72 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-255.43 kcal/mol						-266.91 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-56.41 kcal/mol						-66.08 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-10.60 kcal/mol						-13.10 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-37.57 kcal/mol						-49.05 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	N			C			C						
Final Orientation	N			C			C				C		
Total =	-65.24 kcal/mol						-72.06 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	48.37 kcal/mol						38.17 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-264.55 kcal/mol						-277.98 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-61.31 kcal/mol						-68.13 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-2.45 kcal/mol						-12.65 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-46.69 kcal/mol						-60.12 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation			C							C		C	
Final Orientation			C							C		C	
Total =	-68.76 kcal/mol						-55.54 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	50.30 kcal/mol						50.72 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-275.90 kcal/mol						-264.28 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-64.83 kcal/mol						-51.61 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-0.52 kcal/mol						-0.10 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-58.03 kcal/mol						-46.42 kcal/mol						

**Table 4.14: The solution phase results of  $\beta$ -alanine interacting with the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Tyr10	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation	N						N			C	C			
Final Orientation	N						N			C	N			
Total =	-70.56 kcal/mol						-78.89 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	40.10 kcal/mol						41.43 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-271.20 kcal/mol						-290.84 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-21.81 kcal/mol						-30.14 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	1.45 kcal/mol						2.78 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-17.92 kcal/mol						-37.57 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation	N			C						C				C
Final Orientation	N													C
Total =	-89.61 kcal/mol						-85.29 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	43.36 kcal/mol						36.10 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-291.71 kcal/mol						-281.39 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-40.86 kcal/mol						-36.54 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	4.71 kcal/mol						-2.55 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-38.43 kcal/mol						-28.12 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation			C		C		N				C			
Final Orientation			C		C		C				C			
Total =	-70.52 kcal/mol						-45.86 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	47.77 kcal/mol						46.62 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-276.41 kcal/mol						-249.21 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-21.77 kcal/mol						2.89 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	9.12 kcal/mol						7.97 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-23.14 kcal/mol						4.07 kcal/mol							

**Table 4.15: The solution phase results of  $\beta$ -alanine interacting with the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Ser8	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Tyr10	Glu1	Val2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation					C			C			C				
Final Orientation	C				C			C			C				C
Total =	66.72 kcal/mol							48.74 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	72.70 kcal/mol							49.97 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-213.88 kcal/mol							-242.86 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-34.27 kcal/mol							-52.25 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	0.58 kcal/mol							-22.15 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-19.14 kcal/mol							-48.12 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation	N	N			C			C							
Final Orientation	N	N			C			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total =	80.73 kcal/mol							62.46 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	76.62 kcal/mol							74.45 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-221.04 kcal/mol							-223.24 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-20.26 kcal/mol							-38.53 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	4.49 kcal/mol							2.32 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-26.30 kcal/mol							-28.51 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation							C	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Final Orientation							C				C				
Total =	71.60 kcal/mol							82.05 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	68.87 kcal/mol							80.59 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-209.45 kcal/mol							-220.96 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-29.40 kcal/mol							-18.94 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-3.26 kcal/mol							8.47 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-14.71 kcal/mol							-26.23 kcal/mol							

**Table 4.16: The solution phase results of  $\beta$ -alanine interacting with the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Glu3	Glu1	Val2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Phe19
Initial Orientation	N	C						C
Final Orientation	N	C					N	C
Total =	38.41 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	67.50 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-231.71 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-70.12 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-6.30 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-4.76 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation		N						N
Final Orientation		N						N
Total =	84.27 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	70.82 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-202.33 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-24.25 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-2.98 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-15.38 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation				C	C			
Final Orientation					C			
Total =	78.45 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	75.02 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-214.41 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-30.08 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	1.22 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-27.46 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation					C			
Final Orientation					C			
Total =	53.81 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	71.35 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-228.96 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-54.72 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-2.45 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-42.00 kcal/mol							

**Table 4.17: The solution phase results of  $\beta$ -alanine interacting with the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Tyr10	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation			C	C				N			C			
Final Orientation				C			C	N			C			
							N							
Total =	43.27 kcal/mol						30.81 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	70.54 kcal/mol						54.89 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-249.65 kcal/mol						-243.80 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-88.24 kcal/mol						-100.70 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-8.25 kcal/mol						-23.90 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-18.98 kcal/mol						-13.13 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation			C			C	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Final Orientation						C		N						
Total =	35.49 kcal/mol						68.55 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	69.32 kcal/mol						66.17 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-260.79 kcal/mol						-226.16 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-96.02 kcal/mol						-62.96 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-9.47 kcal/mol						-12.62 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-30.12 kcal/mol						4.52 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation						C				C				
Final Orientation						C				C	N			C
Total =	40.08 kcal/mol						49.03 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	71.50 kcal/mol						72.21 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-252.93 kcal/mol						-248.12 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-91.43 kcal/mol						-82.48 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-7.29 kcal/mol						-6.58 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-22.25 kcal/mol						-17.44 kcal/mol							

**Table 4.18: The solution phase results of  $\beta$ -alanine interacting with the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

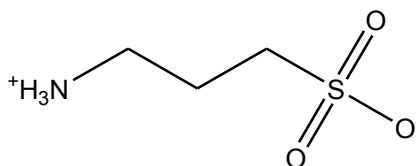
	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Gly9	Tyr10	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation	C			N							C			
Final Orientation	C			N			C	C			C			
Total =	95.81 kcal/mol						46.56 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	69.36 kcal/mol						68.30 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-227.24 kcal/mol						-262.33 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-22.61 kcal/mol						-71.85 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-14.52 kcal/mol						-15.59 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-21.97 kcal/mol						-57.06 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation				C										C
Final Orientation				C										C
Total =	69.15 kcal/mol						78.34 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	86.08 kcal/mol						72.31 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-268.04 kcal/mol						-232.76 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-49.27 kcal/mol						-40.07 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	2.20 kcal/mol						-11.57 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-62.77 kcal/mol						-27.50 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation						C								C
Final Orientation						C								C
Total =	72.87 kcal/mol						63.52 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	67.60 kcal/mol						67.40 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-244.30 kcal/mol						-251.69 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-45.55 kcal/mol						-54.89 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-16.28 kcal/mol						-16.48 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-39.03 kcal/mol						-46.42 kcal/mol							

The solution phase results indicate that fewer interactions occur between  $\beta$ -alanine and  $\beta$ -amyloid in the presence of water. Interactions were favoured at Glu11-His14, although a few others formed as well. The systems formed only two measureable bonds in the presence of solvent compared to the eight in the gas phase results. Systems did tend to retain the initial orientations of interactions, but not as well as GABA.

Electrostatic energies were more negative than the van der Waals energies of the systems, indicating that they play a greater role in the overall energetic favourability of a system. The amount of binding interactions occurring had no correlation with the energies of the systems.

### 4.3 HOMOTAURINE

Homotaurine (Figure 4.3) is a small molecule with an analogous structure to GABA, having a sulfonate group instead of a carboxylate group. This compound is capable of crossing the blood-brain barrier by active transport, and *in vitro* studies demonstrate a capacity to bind to  $\beta$ -amyloid [105].



**Figure 4.3: Homotaurine at physiological pH**

At physiological pH, homotaurine exists in a zwitterionic form and should be capable of interacting with the EVHHQK region of  $\beta$ -amyloid.

#### 4.3.1 GAS PHASE OPTIMIZATIONS OF HOMOTAURINE AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID

The structure of homotaurine was constructed in an extended form before undergoing minimization. The energies of the optimized molecule are summarized in Table 4.19.

**Table 4.19: The gas phase energies of homotaurine**

	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$
Homotaurine	-12.58	-0.22	-12.86

The minimizations of the gas phase systems were performed following the procedure outlined in section 4.1.1.2-4.1.1.3. The binding energies were calculated using equations 4.1-4.3, where the energy of optimized homotaurine is replacing the energy of GABA. The protein energies are listed in Appendix 6.

### 4.3.2 THE GAS PHASE RESULTS OF HOMOTAURINE INTERACTING WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID

The results of the gas phase energy minimized systems of homotaurine and A $\beta$  are given in Table 4.20. The initial orientation that homotaurine was arranged in is given, along with the orientation that resulted after minimization. The amino acid residues are represented by single letters and the amino and sulfonate groups of homotaurine are represent by N, and S, respectively. The calculated binding energies for each system are included, as well as the number of measureable bonds that formed.

**Table 4.20: The gas phase results of homotaurine interacting with  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Conformer	Initial Orientation						Final Orientation						$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ (kcal/mol)	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ (kcal/mol)	$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ (kcal/mol)	Measured Bonds	
	E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16					X
1AMB	S			N					S								0
	N			S			N		S								1
			S	N					S	S			S/N				0
			N	S					S				S				0
			S			N			S			S	S				1
			N			S			S			S	S				1
1AMC	S			N			N										1
	N			S			N		S								1
			N	S					S				S				1
			S	N					S	N/S			N/S				0
			S			N			S			S	S				1
			N			S			S			S	S				1
1AML	S			N					S								0
	N			S			N		S			N					0
			S	N					S	S			S				0
			N	S					S				S				0
			S			N			S	S			S				2
			N			S			S	S			S				1
1BA4	N					S	N						N				0
	S					N	S					N/S					0
			N	S					S	S							0
			S	N					S	S							1
1IYT	S			N			N										1
	N			S			N		S								1
			S	N					S				S				0
			N	S					S	S			S				0
			S			N			S				S				0
			N			S			S			S					0
1Z0Q	S			N			N						S				1
	N			S			N		S				S				1
			N	S					S	S			S				0
			S	N					S	S			S				0
			N			S			S			S					0
			S			N			S			S					1



The gas phase results of homotaurine interacting with different conformers of  $\beta$ -amyloid indicate its potential to bind to the EVHHQK region of interest at multiple sites. Interactions favour His13-His14 and His13-Lys16 over Glu11-His14.

#### 4.3.3 THE SOLUTION PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF HOMOTAURINE AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID

Solution phase optimizations were performed for each of the resulting gas phase optimized systems. Water molecules were placed on the system in a box large enough to surround the protein-homotaurine complex completely.

The systems were energy minimized without constrained protein backbones, and with periodic boundary conditions in place. The energies of the optimized systems were measured with the solvent molecules excluded and a constrained protein backbone. Equations of 4.4-4.6 were used to calculate the binding energies with the solution phase optimized energy of homotaurine (Table 4.21) replacing the solvated GABA energy.

**Table 4.21: Solution phase energies of homotaurine**

	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$
Homotaurine	-9.96	-0.15	-12.36

#### 4.3.4 THE RESULTS OF THE SOLUTION PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF HOMOTAURINE AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID

The solution phase minimized systems of homotaurine and  $\beta$ -amyloid are summarized in the following tables according to A $\beta$  conformer. Three letter abbreviations are used to indicate the amino acids for the initial and final orientations that homotaurine is located in. The amino group of homotaurine is represented by N, while the sulfonate group is represented by S. The measured energies of the system (with a constrained

protein backbone, and ignoring solvent contributions) and the calculated binding energies are given.

Orange coloured cells indicate where hydrogen bonds have formed and the darker the orange, the greater the number of bonds. Interactions with the  $-CH_2-$  chain of the amino acid are coloured in indigo. Backbone interactions are coloured purple for C=O, lime green for  $-CH-$ , and yellow for  $-NH-$ .

**Table 4.22: The solution phase results of homotaurine interacting with the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Glu1	Val2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Tyr10	Glu1	Val2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18
Initial Orientation	N			S						S			S	S	
Final Orientation	N			S						S			S	S	
Total =	-58.86 kcal/mol						-56.13 kcal/mol								
van der Waals =	35.20 kcal/mol						49.98 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =	-252.38 kcal/mol						-256.55 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-63.29 kcal/mol						-60.55 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-12.80 kcal/mol						1.98 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-45.80 kcal/mol						-49.97 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation				S						S				S	S
Final Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-				S				S	S
Total =	-80.56 kcal/mol						-54.50 kcal/mol								
van der Waals =	38.11 kcal/mol						43.23 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =	-272.22 kcal/mol						-250.36 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-84.98 kcal/mol						-58.93 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-9.89 kcal/mol						-4.77 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-65.64 kcal/mol						-43.78 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation			S			S	S		S	S					
Final Orientation			S			S	N		S	S					
Total =	-62.72 kcal/mol						-77.83 kcal/mol								
van der Waals =	53.10 kcal/mol						29.35 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =	-276.97 kcal/mol						-252.78 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-67.15 kcal/mol						-82.25 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	5.10 kcal/mol						-18.66 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-70.39 kcal/mol						-46.20 kcal/mol								

**Table 4.23: The solution phase results of homotaurine interacting with the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Asp7	Glu1	Val2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Tyr10	Glu1	Val2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation		N			S							S			S	S
Final Orientation		N			S	S						S			S	S
Total =	72.39 kcal/mol								-84.84 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	41.11 kcal/mol								25.00 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-274.90 kcal/mol								-264.89 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-32.00 kcal/mol								-44.45 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	5.29 kcal/mol								-10.83 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-32.91 kcal/mol								-22.90 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation		N							S				S			
Final Orientation	N	N							S				S			
Total =	-73.06 kcal/mol								-59.21 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	43.80 kcal/mol								49.95 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-271.25 kcal/mol								-268.15 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-32.67 kcal/mol								-18.82 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	7.97 kcal/mol								14.12 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-29.26 kcal/mol								-26.16 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation				S			S	S	N			S	N			
Final Orientation				S					N			S	S			S
Total =	-74.88 kcal/mol								-72.28 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	38.45 kcal/mol								40.54 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-275.80 kcal/mol								-284.35 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-34.49 kcal/mol								-31.89 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	2.62 kcal/mol								4.72 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-33.81 kcal/mol								-42.36 kcal/mol							

**Table 4.24: The solution phase results of homotaurine interacting with the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Ser8	Glu1	Val2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Val18	Tyr10	Glu1	Val2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation	N	N			S						S	S			S	
Final Orientation	N	N			S			S		S	S	S			S	
Total =	79.42 kcal/mol								59.34 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	65.55 kcal/mol								68.99 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-205.42 kcal/mol								-219.49 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-29.93 kcal/mol								-50.01 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-3.75 kcal/mol								-0.32 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-21.97 kcal/mol								-36.03 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation					S				S			S				S
Final Orientation		S			S				S			S				S
Total =	93.64 kcal/mol								64.72 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	63.06 kcal/mol								70.47 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-183.71 kcal/mol								-220.18 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-15.71 kcal/mol								-44.63 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-6.24 kcal/mol								1.17 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-0.26 kcal/mol								-36.72 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation			S	S					S			S	S			S
Final Orientation			S	S			S		S			S	S			S
Total =	56.39 kcal/mol								47.65 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	63.50 kcal/mol								66.02 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-226.29 kcal/mol								-235.63 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-52.96 kcal/mol								-61.70 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-5.80 kcal/mol								-3.29 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-42.84 kcal/mol								-52.18 kcal/mol							

**Table 4.25: The solution phase results of homotaurine interacting with the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Asp1	Glu3	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Phe19
Initial Orientation		N	N						
Final Orientation		N	N						
Total =	116.30 kcal/mol								
van der Waals =	69.24 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =	-175.01 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-0.58 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-1.74 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	0.66 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation		N	S						S
Final Orientation	N	N						N	S
Total =	83.95 kcal/mol								
van der Waals =	68.20 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =	-196.75 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-32.94 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-2.78 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-21.08 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation					S	S			
Final Orientation					S				
Total =	65.72 kcal/mol								
van der Waals =	68.50 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =	-223.82 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-51.16 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-2.48 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-48.15 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation					S	S			
Final Orientation					S	S			
Total =	55.56 kcal/mol								
van der Waals =	62.29 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =	-231.22 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-61.32 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-8.69 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-55.55 kcal/mol								

**Table 4.26: The solution phase results of homotaurine interacting with the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	Glu1	Val2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16		Glu1	Val2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation		N			S						S				
Final Orientation	S	N			S						S				
Total =	47.31 kcal/mol								44.75 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	67.15 kcal/mol								69.93 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-243.31 kcal/mol								-259.79 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-92.56 kcal/mol								-95.12 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-8.82 kcal/mol								-6.03 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-23.92 kcal/mol								-40.40 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation		N									S	S			S
Final Orientation		N									S	S			S
Total =	53.64 kcal/mol								54.00 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	73.71 kcal/mol								61.75 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-238.73 kcal/mol								-233.03 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-86.23 kcal/mol								-85.87 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-2.26 kcal/mol								-14.21 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-19.34 kcal/mol								-13.64 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation					S		S				S				S
Final Orientation					S		S				S	S			S
Total =	104.02 kcal/mol								30.96 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	68.79 kcal/mol								61.35 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-257.44 kcal/mol								-242.19 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-35.85 kcal/mol								-108.91 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-7.17 kcal/mol								-14.62 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-38.05 kcal/mol								-22.79 kcal/mol						

**Table 4.27: The solution phase results of homotaurine interacting with the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

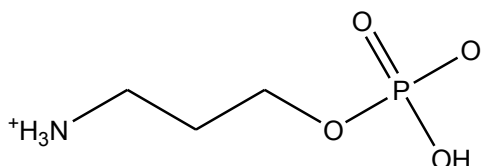
	Phe4	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Val18	Gly9	Tyr10	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation		N			S											S
Final Orientation		N			S											S
Total =	81.50 kcal/mol								96.18 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	71.69 kcal/mol								68.74 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-236.46 kcal/mol								-222.11 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-45.27 kcal/mol								-30.59 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-9.37 kcal/mol								-12.32 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-42.48 kcal/mol								-28.13 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation	S	N								S			S	S		S
Final Orientation	S	N								S			S	S		S
Total =	71.19 kcal/mol								89.01 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	67.45 kcal/mol								87.76 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-238.48 kcal/mol								-241.61 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-55.58 kcal/mol								-37.76 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-13.61 kcal/mol								6.70 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-44.50 kcal/mol								-47.63 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation				S			S		S	S			S	S		
Final Orientation				S			S		S	S			S	S		
Total =	113.10 kcal/mol								89.03 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	78.03 kcal/mol								68.91 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-212.24 kcal/mol								-223.87 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-13.67 kcal/mol								-37.73 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-3.03 kcal/mol								-12.15 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-18.26 kcal/mol								-29.89 kcal/mol							

The solution phase optimizations of homotaurine and A $\beta$  indicate that binding can occur at multiple sites within the EVHHQK region of interest. His13-His14 and His13-Lys16 were the most favoured orientations for interactions, followed immediately by Glu11-His14. Homotaurine bound quite well within the EVHHQK region of A $\beta$ , and tended to retain the same orientation as in the gas phase despite the presence of water molecules.

Hydrogen bonds were the only measurable type of bonds that were observed in the optimized systems. The energies tended to be favourable, especially the electrostatic energy contributions.

## 4.4 3-AMINOPROPYL DIHYDROGEN PHOSPHATE

A synthetic molecule, 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate (Figure 4.4), was selected for study to compare the effect of a phosphate group on the potential binding interactions with the EVHHQK region of  $\beta$ -amyloid, relative to carboxylate or sulfonate.



**Figure 4.4: 3-Aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate at physiological pH**

The functional groups on 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate exist in a zwitterionic state at physiological pH.

### 4.4.1 GAS PHASE OPTIMIZATIONS OF 3-AMINOPROPYL DIHYDROGEN PHOSPHATE AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID

A model of 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate was constructed in an extended structure and geometry optimized; the energies are given in Table 4.28.

**Table 4.28: The gas phase energies of 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate**

	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$
3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate	-21.69	1.31	-29.25

Each system was prepared such that the amino and phosphate group of 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate were oriented approximately 3.0 Å away from two of the charged amino acid side chains in the EVHHQK region of A $\beta$ . The optimizations were performed following the procedure outlined in Section 4.1.1.3. The calculated



energies used equations 4.1-4.3 with the energy of the optimized 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate replacing the energy of optimized GABA.

#### **4.4.2 RESULTS OF THE GAS PHASE OPTIMIZATIONS OF 3-AMINOPROPYL DIHYDROGEN PHOSPHATE AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

The results of the gas phase optimizations of 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate with A $\beta$  in different conformations are summarized in the following table. The initial and final orientations of the optimized systems are given with the amino and phosphate groups of 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate represented by N and P, and the amino acids by single letters. The numbers of measured bonding interactions for each system are given along with the calculated binding energies for each system.

**Table 4.29: The gas phase results of 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate interacting with  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Conformer	Initial Orientation						Final Orientation							$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ (kcal/mol)	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ (kcal/mol)	$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ (kcal/mol)	Measured Bonds	
	E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	X					
1AMB	P			N			P								-23.17	-0.79	-25.92	0
	N			P			N			P					-48.14	-4.82	-40.69	1
			P	N					P	P					-46.02	-9.32	-40.15	0
			N	P						P				P	-61.73	-0.44	-56.42	0
			P			N			P				P		-40.19	-2.07	-39.48	1
			N			P		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-33.32	-1.98	-34.01	0
1AMC	P			N			P								-30.11	-1.12	-28.57	0
	N			P			N			P	P				-47.68	-3.95	-46.28	2
			N	P						P					-42.68	-0.31	-45.74	0
			P	N			N		P	N/P			N/P		-52.44	-9.32	-46.04	0
			P			N			P				P		-43.87	-2.02	-42.98	1
			N			P			P				P		-35.09	-3.29	-34.97	0
1AML	P			N			P			P			P		-42.82	-4.81	-39.88	1
	N			P			N			P			N/P		-50.32	-5.83	-39.57	1
			P	N					P				P		-82.49	-10.97	-71.69	1
			N	P						P			P		-59.91	-3.98	-61.92	0
			P			N			P						-21.44	-0.48	-23.00	0
			N			P							P		-22.89	-1.24	-23.72	0
1BA4	N					P	N					P	P		-26.29	-4.07	-26.18	1
	P					N	P						N/P		-66.40	-11.25	-54.24	0
			P	N					P						-26.45	-0.91	-25.84	0
			N	P						P					-45.55	-1.53	-45.26	1
HYT	P			N			-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-17.24	-4.85	-13.15	0
	N			P			N			P					-38.18	-8.07	-31.12	0
			P	N						P					-36.89	-3.83	-32.74	0
			N	P						P					-20.73	-2.19	-18.79	0
			P			N				P					-30.19	-0.47	-31.02	0
			N			P							P		-25.81	-1.52	-25.48	0
1Z0Q	P			N			P						N/P		-56.04	-3.18	-58.78	0
	N			P			N			P			P		-61.99	-9.37	-52.88	0
			N	P						P					-29.40	-3.87	-27.45	0
			P	N					P				P		-41.30	-6.18	-36.98	0
			P			N			P						-33.22	-0.90	-32.40	1
			N			P							P		-35.04	-2.92	-31.44	1
				N		P							P		-27.13	-5.10	-23.00	0
				P		N				P			P		-46.01	-7.84	-41.06	0

The results of the gas phase minimizations of 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate with the different conformers of A $\beta$  suggest that the molecule is capable of binding to the EVHHQK region of the protein. Interactions at Glu11-His14 were the preferred orientation of binding.

#### 4.4.3 THE SOLUTION PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF 3-AMINOPROPYL DIHYDROGEN PHOSPHATE AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID

Each of the systems resulting from the gas phase minimization of 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate with  $\beta$ -amyloid was subjected to solution phase optimization.

Each system was solvated using a box of explicit water molecules with periodic boundary conditions in place during the minimization and having an unconstrained protein backbone. Energies were measured with the protein backbone constrained and solvent contributions were ignored. Equations 4.4-4.6 were used to calculate the binding energies with the energy of the solution phase optimized 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate substituted for the GABA energy. Appendix 6 contains the energies of the proteins and Table 4.30 lists the energies of the optimized 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate, ignoring solvent contributions.

**Table 4.30: Solution phase energies of 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate**

	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$
3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate	-16.52	0.76	-29.65

#### 4.3.4 THE RESULTS OF THE SOLUTION PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF 3-AMINOPROPYL DIHYDROGEN PHOSPHATE AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID

The results of the solution phase minimization of 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate with  $\beta$ -amyloid are given in Tables 4.31-4.36 according to  $\beta$ -amyloid conformer. The amino and phosphate group of 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate are represented by N and P and are shown in the initial orientation before minimization in a solvated environment and the resulting final orientation after. The amino acids involved

are listed by their three-letter abbreviations, and both the measured and calculated energies for each system are given.

Instances where hydrogen bonds have formed are coloured in orange, and interactions with the  $-CH_2-$  chain of the amino acid are shown in indigo. Where interactions occur with the  $-CH-$ ,  $-NH-$  or  $C=O$  of the protein backbone, cells are coloured lime green, yellow, and purple, respectively.

**Table 4.31: The solution phase results of 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate interacting with the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Glu1	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Val18		Glu1	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation				P			P				P			P
Final Orientation				P			P				P			P
Total =	-83.77 kcal/mol								-42.55 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	44.76 kcal/mol								48.92 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-290.16 kcal/mol								-257.12 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-81.64 kcal/mol								-40.42 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-4.14 kcal/mol								0.01 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-66.28 kcal/mol								-33.24 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation			P	P					N			P		
Final Orientation	N		P	N					N					
Total =	-89.70 kcal/mol								-60.75 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	35.27 kcal/mol								52.20 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-286.06 kcal/mol								-277.94 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-87.56 kcal/mol								-58.62 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-13.63 kcal/mol								3.30 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-62.18 kcal/mol								-54.06 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		P					
Final Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		P					
Total =	-56.46 kcal/mol								-54.88 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	55.44 kcal/mol								41.59 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-275.92 kcal/mol								-258.70 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-54.33 kcal/mol								-52.75 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	6.54 kcal/mol								-7.32 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-52.04 kcal/mol								-34.83 kcal/mol					

**Table 4.32: The solution phase results of 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate interacting with the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Tyr10	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation	N			P	P		P	N		P	P			
Final Orientation	N			P			N				N			
Total =	-89.22 kcal/mol						-106.21 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	52.86 kcal/mol						35.47 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-314.11 kcal/mol						-311.32 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-42.27 kcal/mol						-59.26 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	16.13 kcal/mol						-1.26 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-54.82 kcal/mol						-52.03 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation	P													P
Final Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-								P
Total =	-87.23 kcal/mol						-63.82 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	39.24 kcal/mol						44.95 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-278.08 kcal/mol						-277.87 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-40.28 kcal/mol						-16.87 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	2.51 kcal/mol						8.22 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-18.79 kcal/mol						-18.59 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation				P									P	
Final Orientation				P									P	
Total =	-65.34 kcal/mol						-49.05 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	43.37 kcal/mol						46.64 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-218.94 kcal/mol						-267.60 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-18.39 kcal/mol						-2.10 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	6.64 kcal/mol						9.91 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-22.65 kcal/mol						-8.31 kcal/mol							

**Table 4.33: The solution phase results of 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate interacting with the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His6	Asp7	Ser8	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Tyr10	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation	N	N	N	N			P			P				P			
Final Orientation	N	N	N				P			P							
Total =	55.93 kcal/mol									35.33 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	68.82 kcal/mol									71.35 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-234.38 kcal/mol									-278.25 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-46.86 kcal/mol									-67.46 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-1.39 kcal/mol									1.14 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-33.63 kcal/mol									-77.50 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation			P	P			P			P			P				P
Final Orientation			P	P			P			P			P				
Total =	98.74 kcal/mol									82.52 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	78.45 kcal/mol									69.97 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-222.15 kcal/mol									-256.88 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-4.05 kcal/mol									-20.27 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	8.24 kcal/mol									-0.23 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-21.40 kcal/mol									-56.13 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation									P				P				
Final Orientation									P				P				
Total =	77.87 kcal/mol									83.58 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	72.57 kcal/mol									78.77 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-218.30 kcal/mol									-209.99 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-24.92 kcal/mol									-19.21 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	2.36 kcal/mol									8.57 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-17.55 kcal/mol									-9.24 kcal/mol							

**Table 4.34: The solution phase results of 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate interacting with the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Asp1	Glu3	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Phe19	Phe20	Asp23
Initial Orientation		P	N					P	P		P
Final Orientation	P	N	N					P	P	P	P
Total =	76.66 kcal/mol										
van der Waals =	76.24 kcal/mol										
Electrostatic =	-227.89 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-33.67 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	4.36 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-34.92 kcal/mol										
Initial Orientation	N		P						P		N
Final Orientation	N		P						N	N	N
Total =	17.79 kcal/mol										
van der Waals =	66.83 kcal/mol										
Electrostatic =	-264.35 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-92.54 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-5.06 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-71.38 kcal/mol										
Initial Orientation							P				
Final Orientation							P				
Total =	72.75 kcal/mol										
van der Waals =	82.23 kcal/mol										
Electrostatic =	-218.78 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-37.57 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	10.34 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-25.80 kcal/mol										
Initial Orientation					P						
Final Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total =	75.27 kcal/mol										
van der Waals =	79.11 kcal/mol										
Electrostatic =	-224.20 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-35.05 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	7.23 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-31.22 kcal/mol										

**Table 4.35: The solution phase results of 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate interacting with the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Glu1	Val2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Glu1	Val2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation	N			P					P				
Final Orientation	N			P					P				P
Total =	56.67 kcal/mol						51.27 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	72.75 kcal/mol						75.34 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-251.36 kcal/mol						-257.89 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-76.64 kcal/mol						-82.04 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-4.12 kcal/mol						-1.53 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-14.67 kcal/mol						-21.20 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-							P
Final Orientation	P												P
Total =	63.97 kcal/mol						58.79 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	74.24 kcal/mol						81.43 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-237.73 kcal/mol						-261.26 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-69.34 kcal/mol						-74.52 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-2.63 kcal/mol						4.56 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-1.04 kcal/mol						-24.57 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation				P					P				
Final Orientation			N	P					P				
Total =	36.02 kcal/mol						116.91 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	68.56 kcal/mol						68.15 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-254.83 kcal/mol						-261.92 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-97.29 kcal/mol						-16.40 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-8.31 kcal/mol						-8.72 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-18.14 kcal/mol						-25.23 kcal/mol						



**Table 4.36: The solution phase results of 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate interacting with the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	Tyr10	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Val18	Glu22	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	
Initial Orientation			N			P			P	P								
Final Orientation			N			P			P	P								
Total =	34.94 kcal/mol										81.59 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	70.19 kcal/mol										59.16 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-288.71 kcal/mol										-235.18 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-85.27 kcal/mol										-38.62 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-11.77 kcal/mol										-22.81 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-77.43 kcal/mol										-23.90 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation										N								
Final Orientation			P							N			P					
Total =	53.54 kcal/mol										78.53 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	59.59 kcal/mol										65.00 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-273.42 kcal/mol										-236.83 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-66.67 kcal/mol										-41.67 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-12.27 kcal/mol										-16.96 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-62.14 kcal/mol										-25.55 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation																		
Final Orientation						N												
Total =	73.30 kcal/mol										72.41 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	70.21 kcal/mol										81.75 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-247.11 kcal/mol										-250.43 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-46.91 kcal/mol										-47.80 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-11.75 kcal/mol										-0.21 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-35.83 kcal/mol										-39.15 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation	P	P				P												
Final Orientation	P	P				P							P	P				
Total =	71.31 kcal/mol										82.86 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	61.68 kcal/mol										80.82 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-247.15 kcal/mol										-245.90 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-48.90 kcal/mol										-37.35 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-20.28 kcal/mol										-1.14 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-35.87 kcal/mol										-34.62 kcal/mol							

The solution phase energy minimizations of 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate with the different conformers of  $\beta$ -amyloid result in multiple binding interactions in the EVHHQK region. Interactions at Glu11-His14 are favoured, followed by His13-His14. Only five hydrogen bonds were measured in the optimized systems; fewer measurable interactions occurred than in the gas phase minimized systems, however, there was not much difference in the orientations of the interactions.

The energies of the optimized systems were mostly favourable, and the electrostatic energies were much lower than the van der Waals energies. Comparing

systems with multiple interactions to those with few or none indicates that the energies vary and that having more potential binding interactions does not equate to energetic favourability. It is likely that repulsive factors are also a contributing factor in these systems.

#### **4.5 SEMI-EMPIRICAL ENERGY CALCULATIONS OF GABA, $\beta$ -ALANINE, HOMOTAUROINE AND 3-AMINOPROPYL DIHYDROGEN PHOSPHATE WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

To further compare the results of the gas and solution phase minimizations of the four compounds covered in this chapter, semi-empirical calculations were performed. The Austin Model 1 (AM1) model was selected for use [42, 106].

##### **4.5.1 SELECTION OF SYSTEMS FOR SEMI-EMPIRICAL CALCULATIONS**

Selected systems from the gas phase energy minimized results of each of GABA,  $\beta$ -alanine, homotaurine and 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate with  $\beta$ -amyloid, were used for semi-empirical calculations using the AM1 Hamiltonian as implemented in the Gaussian 09W suite of programs [107].

For each of the four compounds, one system with each of the six  $\beta$ -amyloid conformers was selected for modelling at the semi-empirical level. These systems needed to have binding interactions occurring with at least two different amino acid residues. The individual molecules and each A $\beta$  conformer were also submitted for energy calculations.

#### 4.5.2 SEMI-EMPIRICAL ENERGY CALCULATION SET-UP

Each of the selected systems was submitted for energy calculations. These energies were calculated in the ground state with a singlet spin. The quadratically convergent SCF function was selected, as convergence of the system was not obtained otherwise. The units of measurement of Gaussian calculations are in hartrees; the energies were converted to kcal/mol for comparison.

The energy of interaction of each system was calculated by subtracting the individual energies of each molecule and the specific  $\beta$ -amyloid conformer from the energy of the modelled system via the following equation:

$$\Delta E_{\text{bind}} = E_{A\beta\text{mol}} - E_{A\beta} - E_{\text{mol}} \quad (4.7)$$

Where  $E_{\text{mol}}$  is the energy of the target molecule,  $E_{A\beta}$  is the energy of the  $\beta$ -amyloid conformer and  $E_{A\beta\text{mol}}$  is the energy of the interacting  $A\beta$ -molecule system. The energies of the  $A\beta$  conformers are listed in Appendix 6.

#### 4.5.3 RESULTS OF THE SEMI-EMPIRICAL ENERGY CALCULATIONS

The energies of each of the four molecules were calculated using the AM1 model and are summarized in the following table.

**Table 4.37: Energies of GABA,  $\beta$ -alanine, homotaurine and 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate calculated at the AM1 level of theory**

	Energy
GABA	-0.053803541 hartrees -33.762 kcal/mol
$\beta$ -alanine	-0.064715664 hartrees -40.61 kcal/mol
homotaurine	-0.110178939 hartrees -69.138 kcal/mol
3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate	-0.319778234 hartrees -200.664 kcal/mol

The results of the energy calculations for each of GABA,  $\beta$ -alanine, homotaurine and 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate with A $\beta$  using the AM1 level of theory are summarized in Tables 4.38-4.41. The orientation of the interaction is given with the single letter amino acid abbreviation, and the functional groups of each of the molecules are represented by N, C, S and P for the amino, carboxylate, sulfonate and phosphate groups. The measured energy of each system is given, along with the calculated binding energy.

**Table 4.38: AM1 energies of GABA interacting with  $\beta$ -amyloid**

R5	E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	L17	E3	E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	F19
Orientation			C	C				Orientation	N	C				C	C
Energy =	-749.464							Energy =	-1078.737						
$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =	-41.711							$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =	-11.122						
Orientation			C	N			C	Orientation			N	C			
Energy =	-748.947							Energy =	-1398.660						
$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =	-35.713							$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =	-0.193						
Orientation	C	N			C		N	Orientation	N					C	
Energy =	-992.926							Energy =	-917.623						
$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =	-57.669							$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =	-76.516						

**Table 4.39: AM1 energies of  $\beta$ -alanine interacting with  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	S8	E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16		E3	E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	F19
Orientation		N			C				Orientation	N	C					C
Energy =		-735.381	kcal/mol						Energy =	-1097.851	kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =		-20.782	kcal/mol						$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =	-23.389	kcal/mol					
Orientation				C			C		Orientation	N			C			
Energy =		-777.692	kcal/mol						Energy =	-1468.757	kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =		-57.610	kcal/mol						$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =	-63.444	kcal/mol					
Orientation	N	N			C				Orientation	C			N			
Energy =	-1006.058	kcal/mol							Energy =	-814.268	kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =	-63.954	kcal/mol							$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =	33.686	kcal/mol					

**Table 4.40: AM1 energies of homotaurine interacting with  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	S8	Y10	E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16		E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	V18
Orientation			N				S		Orientation			S	S			
Energy =		-795.621	kcal/mol						Energy =	-1160.430	kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =		-52.493	kcal/mol						$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =	-57.440	kcal/mol					
Orientation		S			S	N			Orientation	N			S			
		N				S										
Energy =		-787.256	kcal/mol						Energy =	-1494.552	kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =		-38.646	kcal/mol						$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =	-60.710	kcal/mol					
Orientation	N		N				S		Orientation	N			S			S
Energy =	-1042.940	kcal/mol							Energy =	-943.679	kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =	-72.307	kcal/mol							$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =	-67.197	kcal/mol					

**Table 4.41: AM1 energies of 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate interacting with  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	S8	E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16		E3	E11	V12	H13	H14	Q15	K16	V18	F19	E22	D23
Orientation				P			P	Orientation	P	N					P		P		P
Energy =	-944.378		kcal/mol					Energy =	-1234.782		kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =	-69.725		kcal/mol					$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =	-0.266		kcal/mol								
Orientation		N			P	P		Orientation		N			P						
Energy =	-948.158		kcal/mol					Energy =	-1619.361		kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =	-68.023		kcal/mol					$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =	-53.993		kcal/mol								
Orientation	P	P			P			Orientation		N			P			P		P	
Energy =	-1111.677		kcal/mol					Energy =	-1072.663		kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =	-9.519		kcal/mol					$\Delta E_{\text{bind}}$ =	-64.655		kcal/mol								

The energies of each system can be compared to determine whether the negatively charged functional group plays a role in the strength of the interactions that occur.

Homotaurine interacting with  $\beta$ -amyloid resulted in the most consistently favourable energies. All of the systems selected demonstrated binding within the EVHHQK region of A $\beta$ .

Energies of 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate binding to  $\beta$ -amyloid in different conformations were the next most favourable relative to homotaurine. With the exception of two systems, the energies were all very low, and interactions occurred at two or more sites within EVHHQK. Interestingly, the systems with the highest energies had hydrogen bonds present and multiple binding sites between the molecule and protein.

The energies calculated for GABA interacting with A $\beta$  demonstrated slightly less favourability compared to 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate. The energies of these systems were a bit more variable.

While the calculated binding energies of  $\beta$ -alanine were more consistent than 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate and GABA, they tended to be slightly higher. One system did not have interactions occurring at two sites within EVHHQK, and one occurring in that region was extremely unfavourable.

#### **4.6 CONCLUSIONS ON GABA, $\beta$ -ALANINE, HOMOTAURINE AND 3-AMINOPROPYL DIHYDROGEN PHOSPHATE INTERACTING WITH THE EVHHQK REGION OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

Overall comparing the interactions occurring between GABA,  $\beta$ -alanine, homotaurine and 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate with  $\beta$ -amyloid allows for some conclusions to be drawn based on their nature.

First, both the endogenous and synthetic compounds demonstrated a capacity to bind to the EVHHQK region of  $\beta$ -amyloid *in silico*. This indicates that these small molecules may be used to target this region to prevent amyloid aggregation from occurring. Furthermore they could be used as lead molecules to design even more effective binding agents, or drugs that would increase the levels of the endogenous compounds could be developed.

Second, the nature of the negatively charged group on the zwitterions plays a role in the strength of binding interactions. Comparing the energies of the four molecules showed that the order of favourability ranked  $\text{SO}_3^- > \text{PO}_3^- > \text{CO}_2^-$ . Also, the length of the  $-\text{CH}_2-$  chain played a factor. GABA was capable of forming more measurable binding interactions than  $\beta$ -alanine.

Homotaurine presents itself as the most viable option of the four molecules for binding to the **EVHHQK** region of  $\beta$ -amyloid. Indeed, this may be the mechanism by which the molecule keeps the protein in its monomeric form *in vivo* [105].

#### 4.7 INTERPRETATION

The results of the *in silico* optimizations of GABA,  $\beta$ -alanine, homotaurine and 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate demonstrate how both the size of the molecule and the anionic group are important in forming binding interactions with the **EVHHQK** region of  $\beta$ -amyloid.

Of the systems studied, the synthetic compound homotaurine demonstrated the most favourable binding energies (calculated at a semi-empirical level of theory) and the greatest capacity to form binding interactions within the **EVHHQK** region of interest. Homotaurine was especially capable of forming binding interactions with the **BBXB** motif of  $A\beta$ , **HHQK**.

The next most favourable interactions occurred between GABA and  $\beta$ -amyloid. More binding interactions formed in both the **HHQK** and expanded **EVHHQK** regions than 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate. The semi-empirical binding energies of GABA were more variable than those of the phosphate species, and slightly less favourable. 3-Aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate formed fewer binding interaction than GABA in the **EVHHQK** systems studied. Though it is difficult to rank these species in terms of favourability, the binding energies suggest that 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate can interact more strongly with  $\beta$ -amyloid.



The interactions between  $\beta$ -alanine and  $\beta$ -amyloid are the least favourable of the four molecules examined in this chapter. The number of binding interactions occurring with the protein is less than those observed for 3-aminopropyl dihydrogen phosphate, as well the binding energies (measured by semi-empirical calculations) were the least favourable of the four; one system demonstrated highly unfavourable energetics. The molecular mechanics binding energies further support the notion that the  $\beta$ -alanine systems are less favourable than those of the other three molecules.

Overall these results can be interpreted to suggest that the anionic group present on these endogenous and synthetic species plays an important role in determining the strength of binding interactions that can occur. The three anionic groups can all be considered acidic species with the order of relative acidity sulfonic acid > phosphonic acid > carboxylic acid for the functional groups. It is more likely that this feature affects the strength of interaction, which may potentially be affected by the size of the anionic group as well: phosphonate and sulfonate are both larger than carboxylate. The larger, more acidic species can interact more strongly with the positively charged amino acids to form more energetically favourable interactions.

Furthermore, the length of the carbon chain also plays a role in the effective binding of molecules to the **EVHHQK** region of  $A\beta$ . Although  $\beta$ -alanine and GABA are functionally identical, the difference of one carbon unit in the chain length between charged functional groups clearly impacts the amount of binding interactions that can occur. The number of binding interactions between  $\beta$ -alanine and  $A\beta$  are only about half of those formed between GABA and  $A\beta$ . It appears that the size of the molecule is also important for the binding interactions to form between itself and  $\beta$ -amyloid.

These results indicate that molecules can be developed to target the **EVHHQK** region of  $\beta$ -amyloid with greater specificity by tuning the anionic functional groups present to form stronger binding interactions with the positively charged amino acids. Adjusting the length/size of the molecule can also play a role in increasing the strength of interactions within the **EVHHQK** region of interest.

# CHAPTER 5: THE SEARCH FOR AN ENDOGENOUS ANTI-ALZHEIMER'S DRUG TARGETING LVFF

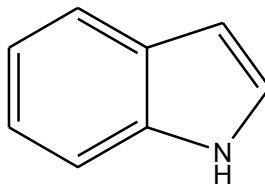
Located immediately next to the **HHQK** region of  $\beta$ -amyloid is the LVFF region. The highly positively charged **HHQK** segment plays a role in the misfolding process of the protein by binding to negatively charged glycosaminoglycans on the surface of membranes. Similarly, the LVFF region of  $A\beta$  is a hydrophobic region that can interact with cholesterol rafts on the surface of membranes to further facilitate the conformational change.

The LVFF region follows a pattern that can be identified as AAXA, where A is an aliphatic or aromatic amino acid. As this motif is similar to **BBXB**, there arose the question as to whether or not a single drug molecule could bind to both **HHQK** and LVFF with the same strength and efficacy, if so this would provide further evidence to support the concept of a “promiscuous drug” targeting  $\beta$ -amyloid to prevent aggregation.

## 5.1 INTERACTIONS BETWEEN AN INDOLE AND THE **HHQK** AND LVFF REGIONS OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID

A simple indole (Figure 5.1) was selected for this study to determine its capacity to bind to the LVFF region of  $A\beta$ , relative to **HHQK**. An indole is a small aromatic molecule that should, in essence, be able to interact with both regions by forming cation- $\pi$  and  $\pi$ - $\pi$  type interactions. The indole is also representative of biological molecules

endogenous to the brain. Indole constitutes the aromatic moiety within tryptophan (examined in Chapter 4) and is present in some of tryptophan's metabolites.



**Figure 5.1: Indole**

### 5.1.1 ISOLATION OF THE **HHQK** AND **LVFF** REGIONS OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID

To better compare the binding of indole, the LVFF and **HHQK** regions were isolated from  $\beta$ -amyloid. For the LVFF region, residues 13-24 were isolated. This provided a four amino acid cap on either side of the region that would be more reflective of the area as it exists in a natural state; isolating only the LVFF region is too exposed to empty space and is less reflective of the interactions that could form. The ends of the 13-24 residue segment were capped with amide groups. Six different conformers of A $\beta$  were used for this study and each was optimized with a constrained protein backbone *in vacuo* using the CHARMM22 force field in MOE [47, 48].

Similarly, the **HHQK** region was isolated in residues 9-20 of A $\beta$ . Each terminal end was capped with an amide group before optimization (with a constrained protein backbone) in the gas phase. The energies observed for both the isolated **HHQK** and LVFF regions of A $\beta$  used in this chapter are summarized in Appendix 5.

The indole structure was built in MOE and optimized to obtain the following energies:

**Table 5.1: The gas phase energies of an indole**

	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$
Indole	16.40	6.39	-0.15

### 5.1.2 THE GAS PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF AN INDOLE WITH HHQK AND LVFF

Gas phase systems were set up such that the indole ring could interact with two of the basic amino acids in **HHQK** or two of the aliphatic/aromatic amino acids in **LVFF**. These orientations were set up such that the indole was situated approximately 3.0Å away from the two side chains. As indole is composed of a benzyl ring connected to a pyrrole ring, the systems were differentiated by denoting which ring was oriented towards the amino acids.

Each energy minimization was performed with the protein backbone constrained to prevent structural collapse, and the binding energies were calculated using the following equations:

$$\Delta E_{\text{tot}} = E_{\text{tot}} - E_{\text{A}\beta} - E_{\text{Indole}} \quad (5.1)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}} = E_{\text{vdw}} - E_{\text{vdwA}\beta} - E_{\text{vdwIndole}} \quad (5.2)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{ele}} = E_{\text{ele}} - E_{\text{eleA}\beta} - E_{\text{eleIndole}} \quad (5.3)$$

The total, van der Waals, and electrostatic energies of each of the optimized indole and Aβ segment were subtracted from the energies of the optimized systems to determine the relative strength of binding for each of the three energies.

### 5.1.3 THE RESULTS OF THE GAS PHASE OPTIMIZATIONS OF AN INDOLE AND THE HHQK AND LVFF REGIONS OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID

The gas phase results of the minimization of the indole with each of the isolated HHQK and LVFF segments of A $\beta$  in six different conformations are summarized in the following two tables. The calculated energies are given for each system, along with the initial orientation the indole was arranged in and the final orientation upon optimization. The indole ring is represented by InB to represent the benzyl ring of the indole, InP to represent the pyrrole ring, and In is used for interactions occurring with both rings. The bonding interactions that formed are coloured accordingly: orange for hydrogen bonds, light blue for  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions, and green for cation- $\pi$  interactions. Darker shades of the colours indicate the presence of more of that type of interaction.

**Table 5.2: The gas phase results of an indole interacting with the HHQK region of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Conformer	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation					$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ (kcal/mol)	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ (kcal/mol)	$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ (kcal/mol)
	H13	H14	Q15	K16	H13	H14	Q15	K16	Other			
1AMB	InB	InP			InB	InP			InB	-16.04	-6.53	-12.22
	InP	InB			InP	InB			In	-15.43	-8.68	-7.00
	InB			InP				InB	In	-14.40	-8.37	-6.46
	InP			InB				InB	In	-15.02	-8.37	-6.93
1AMC	InB	InP				InP				-10.99	-6.96	-4.33
	InP	InB			InP	InB			InP	-13.05	-7.93	-5.75
	InB			InP	InB				In	-12.98	-8.67	-4.46
	InP			InB					In	-13.48	-7.15	-6.39
1AML	InB	InP							In	-8.69	-4.08	-5.19
	InP	InB							InB	-9.61	-4.10	-5.91
	InB			InP	InB			InP		-8.46	-3.50	-6.22
	InP			InB				InB		-10.02	-4.50	-6.22
1BA4	InB	InP			InB	InP				-7.46	-4.90	-2.96
	InP	InB			InP	InB				-8.26	-4.64	-4.07
1IYT	InB	InP			InB	InP				-16.82	-5.35	-13.29
	InP	InB			InP	InB				-13.78	-7.37	-7.68
	InB			InP	InB			InP		-11.14	-5.47	-5.66
	InP			InB				InB		-12.15	-5.39	-6.12
1ZOQ	InB	InP				InP				-14.82	-7.97	-8.21
	InP	InB			InP					-7.57	-5.75	-2.08
	InB			InP	InB			InP		-6.10	-3.40	-3.82
	InP			InB	In				InB	-13.29	-6.67	-7.57

**Table 5.3: The gas phase results of an indole interacting with the LVFF region of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Conformer	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation					$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ (kcal/mol)	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ (kcal/mol)	$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ (kcal/mol)	
	L17	V18	F19	F20	L17	V18	F19	F20	Other				
1AMB			InB	InP					InB		-5.26	-3.35	-2.62
			InP	InB				InB	In		-17.20	-6.49	-11.46
	InB			InP	InB			InP			-10.06	-4.21	-5.87
	InP			InB	InP			InB			-8.12	-3.00	-5.33
1AMC			InB	InP					InP	In	-18.23	-6.27	-12.91
			InP	InB			InP				-15.07	-5.67	-8.05
	InB			InP	InB			In			-8.06	-4.22	-3.64
	InP			InB	InP			InB			-8.22	-4.82	-2.70
1AML			InB	InP					InP	InB	-10.69	-4.31	-7.24
			InP	InB			InP	InB	InB		-11.16	-7.65	-4.23
	InB			InP	-	-	-	-	-		-4.41	-2.97	-1.12
	InP			InB	InP			InB			-4.25	-3.32	-0.90
1BA4	InB			InP	InB				InP		-14.27	-4.61	-6.23
	InP			InB	InP				InB		-8.35	-4.18	-4.25
1IYT			InB	InP					InB	InB	-5.54	-3.09	-2.51
			InP	InB					InP	InP	-9.88	-2.72	-6.90
	InB			InP	InB				InP		-5.71	-3.49	-2.63
	InP			InB	InP				InB		-7.40	-3.84	-3.81
1Z0Q			InB	InP						InP	-9.20	-5.23	-5.21
			InP	InB					InP	InB	-7.23	-3.70	-5.54
	InB			InP	InB				InP		-6.52	-3.27	-3.30
	InP			InB	In				InB	InB	-13.57	-8.54	-9.99
	InB			InP	InB					InP	-6.95	-5.17	-6.22
	InP			InB	InP					InB	-4.73	-4.24	-2.73

More measurable interactions form between the indole and the **HHQK** region of  $\beta$ -amyloid compared to the LVFF region. Interactions in the **HHQK** region favour binding at His13-His14 and His13-Lys16. In the LVFF region, binding at Leu17-Phe20 is favoured over any other possible orientations.

For both regions, the electrostatic energies and van der Waals energies are comparable; the **HHQK** total binding energies are slightly more favourable than those of LVFF (although there are a few that are on par).



#### 5.1.4 THE SOLUTION PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF AN INDOLE WITH HHQK AND LVFF

Each of the systems resulting from the gas phase minimizations of an indole with the **HHQK** and LVFF regions of A $\beta$  was subjected to solution phase optimizations to determine whether binding would still occur in an aqueous environment.

A box of explicit water molecules was placed on each peptide-indole system, with periodic boundary conditions in place. The systems were optimized without constrained protein backbones. The energies for each interaction were calculated in the absence of solvent, and with a constrained protein backbone using equations 5.1-5.3. The energies of the solution phase optimized protein segments are listed in Appendix 5 and the indole is given in Table 5.4.

**Table 5.4: The solution phase energies of an indole**

	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$
Indole	17.23	6.62	-0.17

#### 5.1.5 THE RESULTS OF THE SOLUTION PHASE OPTIMIZATIONS OF AN INDOLE AND THE HHQK AND LVFF REGIONS OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID

The results of the minimization of an indole with the **HHQK** and LVFF regions of  $\beta$ -amyloid in a solution phase environment are summarized in the following table according to A $\beta$  conformer. Each table lists the interactions in the **HHQK** region on the left-hand side, and the LVFF region on the right-hand side; initial and final orientations are given. The amino acid side chains are given in their three letter abbreviations, and the indole interactions can be represented one of three ways: interactions with both rings are represented by In, those with the benzyl ring by InB, and those with the pyrrole by InP.

Coloured cells are used to indicate binding interactions: hydrogen bonds, cation- $\pi$  and  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions are in orange, green and light blue. Darker shaded cells indicate a greater number of bonds formed. Indigo cells represent interactions occurring with the  $\text{CH}_2$ - chain of the amino acid. Interactions with the protein backbone are signified by purple (C=O), and lime green (-CH-).

**Table 5.5: The solution phase results of an indole interacting with HHQK and LVFF on the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Phe20	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20
Initial Orientation	InB	InB	InP						InB			InP
Final Orientation	InB	InB			In				InB			InP
Total =	89.81 kcal/mol							279.72 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	41.17 kcal/mol							40.96 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-42.30 kcal/mol							4.66 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-3.81 kcal/mol							146.06 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-6.73 kcal/mol							6.64 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-5.51 kcal/mol							-6.06 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation					InB	InB	InP		InP			InB
Final Orientation		InB			InB	InB	InP					InB
Total =	74.21 kcal/mol							118.17 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	32.90 kcal/mol							24.49 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-43.94 kcal/mol							7.32 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-19.40 kcal/mol							-15.50 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-15.00 kcal/mol							-9.83 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-7.15 kcal/mol							-3.40 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation	In	InP	InB					InB				
Final Orientation			InB					In				
Total =	83.11 kcal/mol							289.23 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	43.87 kcal/mol							37.25 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-44.67 kcal/mol							7.60 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-10.50 kcal/mol							155.57 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-4.03 kcal/mol							2.94 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-7.88 kcal/mol							-3.11 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation					InB	InB	InB	In				InB
Final Orientation					InB	InB	InB	In			InB	
Total =	83.41 kcal/mol							120.80 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	39.43 kcal/mol							26.00 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-36.79 kcal/mol							2.70 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-10.20 kcal/mol							-12.87 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-8.47 kcal/mol							-8.32 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-0.01 kcal/mol							-8.02 kcal/mol				

**Table 5.6: The solution phase results of an indole interacting with HHQK and LVFF on the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe20	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20
Initial Orientation		InP						In				InP
Final Orientation		InP				In		In			InB	In
		InB										
Total =	63.75 kcal/mol							112.37 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	39.20 kcal/mol							24.99 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-58.16 kcal/mol							4.28 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-11.93 kcal/mol							-9.24 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-3.68 kcal/mol							-6.12 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-4.20 kcal/mol							-5.27 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation	InP	InB			InP						InP	
Final Orientation		In				InB		InB			InB	InB
Total =	71.85 kcal/mol							118.76 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	36.69 kcal/mol							27.09 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-51.55 kcal/mol							15.85 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-3.83 kcal/mol							-2.84 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-6.19 kcal/mol							-4.02 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	2.41 kcal/mol							6.30 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation	InB				In		InP		InB			In
Final Orientation	InB			InB	In		InP		InB			In
Total =	81.34 kcal/mol							115.47 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	35.66 kcal/mol							28.13 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-40.71 kcal/mol							1.25 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	5.66 kcal/mol							-6.14 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-7.22 kcal/mol							-2.98 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	13.25 kcal/mol							-8.30 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation					InP		InB		InP			InB
Final Orientation					InP		InB		InP			InP
												InB
Total =	91.09 kcal/mol							117.25 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	38.12 kcal/mol							31.69 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-46.31 kcal/mol							-5.22 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	15.41 kcal/mol							-4.36 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-4.76 kcal/mol							0.59 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	7.66 kcal/mol							-14.78 kcal/mol				

**Table 5.7: The solution phase results of an indole interacting with HHQK and LVFF on the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Leu17	Vall8	Phe19	Phe20	Asp23
Initial Orientation					In				InP	InB
Final Orientation					In				InB	InB
Total =	122.09 kcal/mol					112.65 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	40.08 kcal/mol					28.39 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-2.15 kcal/mol					1.95 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-2.59 kcal/mol					-2.93 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-8.96 kcal/mol					-5.44 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	8.96 kcal/mol					1.46 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation					InB			InP	InB	InB
Final Orientation					In			InB	InB	InB
Total =	103.47 kcal/mol					107.88 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	43.63 kcal/mol					25.62 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-18.85 kcal/mol					-2.34 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-21.21 kcal/mol					-10.70 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-5.42 kcal/mol					-8.20 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-7.75 kcal/mol					-2.83 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation	InB			InP		-	-	-	-	-
Final Orientation	InB			InP		-	-	-	-	-
Total =	124.13 kcal/mol					127.97 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	43.70 kcal/mol					36.49 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-6.82 kcal/mol					1.68 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-0.55 kcal/mol					12.40 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-5.35 kcal/mol					2.67 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	4.28 kcal/mol					1.19 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation					InB	InP			InB	
Final Orientation					In				InB	
Total =	111.66 kcal/mol					118.23 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	44.31 kcal/mol					32.62 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-11.97 kcal/mol					8.60 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-13.02 kcal/mol					2.65 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-4.73 kcal/mol					-1.20 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-0.86 kcal/mol					8.11 kcal/mol				

**Table 5.8: The solution phase results of an indole interacting with HHQK and LVFF on the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20
Initial Orientation	InB	InP			InB			InP
Final Orientation	InB	InB			In			InP
		In						
Total =	116.49 kcal/mol				89.01 kcal/mol			
van der Waals =	46.49 kcal/mol				26.12 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-33.39 kcal/mol				-19.18 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	1.98 kcal/mol				-32.59 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	2.50 kcal/mol				-12.71 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-13.06 kcal/mol				-8.45 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation	InP	InB			InP			InB
Final Orientation		InP			InP			In
		In						
Total =	112.21 kcal/mol				107.25 kcal/mol			
van der Waals =	48.46 kcal/mol				33.35 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-27.81 kcal/mol				-10.16 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-2.30 kcal/mol				-14.35 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	4.47 kcal/mol				-5.49 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-7.48 kcal/mol				0.57 kcal/mol			

**Table 5.9: The solution phase results of an indole interacting with HHQK and LVFF on the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Asp23
Initial Orientation			InB	InP							InP		InP
Final Orientation	InP	InP	InB	InP							InP		In
			InB										
			InP										
Total =	84.81 kcal/mol							108.02 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	39.37 kcal/mol							31.58 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-37.89 kcal/mol							-4.49 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-21.21 kcal/mol							-6.75 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-14.38 kcal/mol							-5.89 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-7.01 kcal/mol							0.54 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation			InP	InB							InB		InB
Final Orientation		InB	InP				InB	InP			InB		InB
			InP										
			InB										
Total =	77.39 kcal/mol							112.19 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	40.25 kcal/mol							32.54 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-43.76 kcal/mol							4.80 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-28.63 kcal/mol							-2.58 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-13.49 kcal/mol							-4.93 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-12.87 kcal/mol							9.83 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation			InB			InP			InB				InP
Final Orientation			InB			InP			InB				InP
						InB							
Total =	80.49 kcal/mol							114.07 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	42.85 kcal/mol							30.47 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-34.62 kcal/mol							0.69 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-27.10 kcal/mol							-0.70 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-13.12 kcal/mol							-7.00 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-3.16 kcal/mol							5.72 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation			InP			InB			InP				InB
Final Orientation			InP			InB			InP				InB
			InB										
Total =	89.39 kcal/mol							121.98 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	41.66 kcal/mol							36.15 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-34.68 kcal/mol							-2.21 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-16.63 kcal/mol							7.22 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-12.08 kcal/mol							-1.33 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-3.80 kcal/mol							2.81 kcal/mol					

**Table 5.10: The solution phase results of an indole interacting with HHQK and LVFF on the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

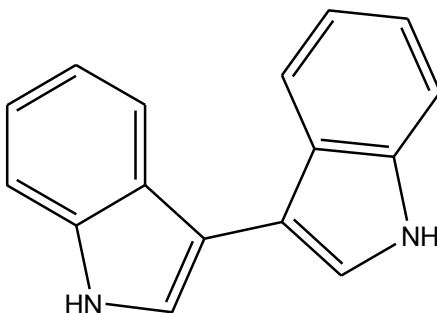
	Gly9	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20
Initial Orientation												InP
Final Orientation	InB	In		InB	InP						InB	InP
Total =	96.19 kcal/mol							139.91 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	36.22 kcal/mol							32.67 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-36.60 kcal/mol							5.52 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-15.91 kcal/mol							-5.32 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-10.19 kcal/mol							-3.21 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-6.62 kcal/mol							-11.56 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation					InP						InP	InB
Final Orientation	InB	InB		InB	InB						InP	In
Total =	99.64 kcal/mol							153.18 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	48.75 kcal/mol							35.46 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-28.34 kcal/mol							27.08 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-12.45 kcal/mol							7.95 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	2.33 kcal/mol							-0.42 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	1.63 kcal/mol							10.00 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation				InB			InP		InB			InP
Final Orientation				InB					In			InP
Total =	108.49 kcal/mol							142.57 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	36.56 kcal/mol							29.49 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-19.13 kcal/mol							21.38 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-3.60 kcal/mol							-2.66 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-9.86 kcal/mol							-6.39 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	10.84 kcal/mol							4.30 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation			InB	In					InP			InB
Final Orientation			In	In					In			InB
Total =	108.08 kcal/mol							142.26 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	40.88 kcal/mol							34.78 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-16.52 kcal/mol							15.58 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-4.02 kcal/mol							-2.98 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-5.54 kcal/mol							-1.10 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	13.45 kcal/mol							-1.50 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation									InB		InP	
Final Orientation									InB		In	
Total =								137.51 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =								35.69 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =								21.67 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =								-7.73 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =								-0.19 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =								4.59 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation									In		InB	InB
Final Orientation									InB		In	InB
Total =								138.01 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =								35.77 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =								7.02 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =								-7.23 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =								-0.11 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =								-10.06 kcal/mol				

The results of the solution phase optimizations of an indole interacting with the **HHQK** and LVFF region of A $\beta$  show a capacity to bind to both regions. The indole favours binding at His13-Lys16 and His13-His14 in the **HHQK** region, while Leu17-Phe20, and Phe19-Phe20 are the favoured sites for multiple interactions in LVFF.

The binding energies are somewhat variable, with binding at **HHQK** being perhaps slightly more favourable than at LVFF. In general, the van der Waals energy contributions were more significant than those of the electrostatic energy; this is expected as the interactions occurring are primarily between aromatic ring systems.

## 5.2 INTERACTIONS BETWEEN A BIINDOLE AND THE **HHQK** AND LVFF REGIONS OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID

Given that a simple indole demonstrates a capacity to bind to both the BBXB and AAXA regions of  $\beta$ -amyloid with nearly equal strength, the question arises if a larger molecule will be able to act with the same efficacy. To this purpose, an unsubstituted biindole molecule (Figure 5.2) was constructed to determine how well it could bind to the **HHQK** and LVFF areas of interest.



**Figure 5.2: Biindole**



The biindole molecule was constructed and subjected to a conformational search, with the resulting lowest energy conformation selected for use. The same isolated **HHQK** and **LVFF** regions of  $\beta$ -amyloid were used as for the single indole calculations, and the energies are given in Appendix 5. The optimized energies of the biindole are given in Table 5.11.

**Table 5.11: The gas phase energies of a biindole**

	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$
Biindole	21.52	11.65	0.47

### 5.2.1 THE GAS PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF A BIINDOLE WITH **HHQK** AND **LVFF**

Gas phase minimizations were performed to determine if the biindole could interact with both the **HHQK** and **LVFF** regions of  $\beta$ -amyloid with the same efficacy. Systems were set up such that each of the indole groups was situated  $\sim 3.0$  Å away from the basic amino acids in **HHQK** or  $\sim 3.0$  Å away from the aliphatic or aromatic groups in **LVFF**. Where feasible, orientations were attempted with the indole in two possible positions: the benzyl groups oriented towards the side chains, or the pyrrole groups oriented towards the side chains.

Energy minimizations were performed with constrained protein backbones to prevent structural collapse. The following equations were used:

$$\Delta E_{\text{tot}} = E_{\text{tot}} - E_{\text{A}\beta} - E_{\text{Biindole}} \quad (5.4)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}} = E_{\text{vdw}} - E_{\text{vdwA}\beta} - E_{\text{vdwBiindole}} \quad (5.5)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{ele}} = E_{\text{ele}} - E_{\text{eleA}\beta} - E_{\text{eleBiindole}} \quad (5.6)$$

The binding energies were calculated by subtracting the total, van der Waals and electrostatic energies of each of the optimized biindole and A $\beta$  segment from the energies of the optimized systems.

### **5.2.2 THE RESULTS OF THE GAS PHASE OPTIMIZATIONS OF A BIINDOLE AND THE HHQK AND LVFF REGIONS OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

The results of the gas phase minimization of the biindole with the isolated **HHQK** and LVFF segments of A $\beta$  are summarized in the Tables 5.12-5.13. The indole rings of the biindole are represented by InB and InP for the benzyl ring and the pyrrole ring; interactions occurring with both rings and the amino acid are represented by In. Binding with the two different indole rings at the same amino acid residue are separated by a “/”. Calculated energies are given for each system, and bonds are indicated by pink for  $\pi$ -H, and blue for  $\pi$ - $\pi$ . The darker shades indicate the presence of more bonds. Indigo is used to denote interactions with the -CH<sub>2</sub>- chain of the amino acid. The initial orientation of the two indoles is given, along with the final orientation upon optimization, and the amino acids are represented by single letters with their position on the protein.

**Table 5.12: The gas phase results of a biindole interacting with the HHQK region of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Conformer	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation					$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ (kcal/mol)	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ (kcal/mol)	$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ (kcal/mol)
	H13	H14	Q15	K16	H13	H14	Q15	K16	Other			
1AMB	InB	InB			InB	In/InB			In/InP	-22.76	-12.67	-11.14
	InB			InB	InB		InB		InB	-14.28	-6.67	-7.84
1AMC	InB	InB				InB			In*/InB	-15.53	-7.55	-8.65
	InB			InB			InB		InB*/In	-14.20	-7.71	-6.81
1AML	InB	InB			In	InB			InB	-13.75	-6.75	-10.01
	InP	InP			In	In			InB*/InP	-20.04	-9.53	-13.14
	InB			InB					InB	-9.30	-2.84	-6.81
1BA4	InB	InB			In					-7.89	-1.85	-6.20
	InP	InP			In/InP	In				-10.19	-3.84	-6.21
1IYT	InB	InB			In				InP	-13.02	-4.35	-9.74
	InP	InP			InP	InP				-10.44	-1.77	-8.67
	InB			InB	In			InB		-13.63	-4.75	-7.69
	InP			InP	In			InB	InB	-18.85	-9.76	-11.76
1Z0Q	InB	InB			InB				In	-13.38	-4.30	-9.43
	InP	InP			-	-	-	-	-	-10.59	-4.88	-7.29
	InB			InB					In	-12.43	-3.13	-9.54
	InP			InP					In	-10.60	-2.69	-9.26

\*indicates which indole the bond is occurring with

**Table 5.13: The gas phase results of a biindole interacting with the LVFF region of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Conformer	Initial Orientation				Final Orientation					$\Delta E_{tot}$ (kcal/mol)	$\Delta E_{vdw}$ (kcal/mol)	$\Delta E_{ele}$ (kcal/mol)
	L17	V18	F19	F20	L17	V18	F19	F20	Other			
1AMB	InB	InB			InB	In			InP	-10.81	-5.65	-6.25
	InP	InP			In/InB*	In			InP	-21.96	-7.76	-10.43
		InB	InB				InB		InB	-15.81	-3.14	-8.62
		InP	InP		-	-	-	-	-	-9.64	-2.96	-9.52
			InB	InB			InB	InB	In/InB	-18.76	-7.46	-12.10
			InP	InP			InB	InB	In/InP	-17.66	-5.08	-13.95
	InB			InB	InB	InB		InB		-5.80	-3.01	-2.79
	InP			InP	InP	InP				-11.61	-1.17	-11.10
1AMC	InB	InB			-	-	-	-	-	-6.17	-1.27	-5.13
	InP	InP			In					-8.39	-2.59	-8.88
		InB	InB				InB			-6.45	-1.63	-4.74
		InP	InP		-	-	-	-	-	-7.63	-3.08	-4.59
			InB	InB			InB	InB		-15.02	-5.61	-9.42
			InP	InP			InB*/InP	InP	In/InP	-24.11	-13.51	-12.90
	InB			InB	InB	InB				-6.48	-2.36	-6.32
	InP			InP	InP	InP		InP		-7.71	-2.70	-5.37
1AML	InB	InB			-	-	-	-	-	-8.18	-2.54	-6.67
	InP	InP				InP			InP	-14.05	-8.33	-9.08
		InB	InB				InB	InB	InB	-24.43	-4.39	-24.83
		InP	InP						In/InP	-18.99	-2.32	-20.70
			InB	InB					InB	-12.73	-1.07	-14.91
			InP	InP			In		InP	-27.51	-2.78	-29.87
	InB			InB	InB				InP*/InB	-8.45	-5.12	-3.58
	InP			InP	InP	-	-	-	-	-3.58	-1.47	-1.84
	InB		InB	InB			InB	InB	-7.72	-3.79	-4.44	
1BA4	InB			InB					InB	-4.59	-1.65	-3.27
	InP			InP	InB*/InP			In	InB	-21.00	-10.70	-15.77
	InB	InB			InB					-12.12	-2.34	-8.10
	InP	InP				InP				-13.26	-2.19	-8.21
		InB	InB				InB		In/InB	-10.08	-5.19	-6.26
		InP	InP				InP	InP	In/InP	-8.31	-7.22	-2.17
1IYT	InB	InB				InB				-6.30	-1.85	-7.49
	InP	InP			-	-	-	-	-	-7.86	-1.76	-7.70
		InB	InB				InB		InB	-9.54	-4.30	-7.62
		InP	InP				InP		InB/InP	-14.34	-6.61	-9.82
			InB	InB				InB		-10.79	-4.02	-8.38
			InP	InP				InP	In	-13.25	-6.55	-6.22
	InB			InB	InB				InB	-5.19	-1.55	-3.40
InP			InP	InP	-	-	-	-	-5.67	-0.86	-4.25	
1Z0Q	InB	InB			InB	InB			InB	-12.01	-5.33	-9.85
	InP	InP			InP	In			In/InP	-16.91	-5.76	-14.01
	InB		InB		InB		InB			-4.55	-1.43	-4.46
	InP		InP		InP		InP		InB	-9.43	-3.83	-7.02
			InB	InB				InB		-4.94	-1.28	-4.55
			InP	InP				InP	InP	-6.45	-2.43	-5.22
	InB			InB	InB	InB			InB	-4.91	-2.84	-1.97
	InP			InP	InP	InP			InP	-7.63	-3.50	-3.94

\*indicates which indole the bond is occurring with

For the minimization of the biindole with the **HHQK** region of A $\beta$ , there were fewer orientations available where the molecule could interact with two of the charged amino acids. The results of the optimizations indicate binding interactions can occur at

multiple sites in the region, preferring His13-His14 and His13-Lys16. Binding also occurred at multiple sites within LVFF, favouring Phe19-Phe20, Leu17-Phe20 and Leu17-Val18. For both A $\beta$  regions, the electrostatic energies were more favourable than the van der Waals energies.

### 5.2.3 THE SOLUTION PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF A BIINDOLE WITH HHQK AND LVFF

Solution phase optimizations were performed for each of the systems resulting from the gas phase minimizations of the biindole with the **HHQK** and LVFF regions of A $\beta$ . The results of these calculations will demonstrate whether the biindole is still capable of forming binding interactions when water molecules are present.

Explicit solvation was used for these minimizations. A box of water molecules of sufficient size to surround each protein-indole system was put into place, along with periodic boundary conditions. Systems were optimized without constrained protein backbones; however, the energies for each interaction were calculated with a constrained protein backbone in the absence of water and using equations 5.4-5.6. Appendix 5 contains the energies of the solution phase optimized A $\beta$  segments, and the energy of the optimized biindole is given in Table 5.14.

**Table 5.14: The solution phase energies of a biindole**

	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$
Biindole	26.11	12.73	0.96

## 5.2.4 THE RESULTS OF THE SOLUTION PHASE OPTIMIZATIONS OF A BIINDOLE AND THE HHQK AND LVFF REGIONS OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID

The solution phase results are summarized in the following tables according to the region of  $\beta$ -amyloid. The initial and final orientations of the biindole are given, with each of the two indoles arbitrarily assigned as 1 or 2 to distinguish between them. The measured energies and the calculated binding energies are given, and bonds are indicated according to colour; blue for  $\pi$ - $\pi$ , pink for  $\pi$ -H, and green for cation- $\pi$ . Interactions with the backbone of the protein are purple for C=O interactions. The indigo coloured cells indicate that the  $-\text{CH}_2-$  chain of the amino acid is involved in the binding.

**Table 5.15: The solution phase results of a biindole interacting with the HHQK region on the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Val18	Phe20
Initial Orientation	In <sup>2</sup> /InP <sup>1</sup>	InB <sup>2</sup>	In <sup>1</sup> /InB <sup>2</sup>				
Final Orientation	InP <sup>1</sup> /InP <sup>2</sup>	InB <sup>2</sup>	In <sup>1</sup> /InB <sup>2</sup>			InB <sup>1</sup>	
	InB <sup>2</sup>						
Total =	72.50 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	25.06 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-50.28 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-29.99 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-28.95 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-14.61 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation		InB <sup>2</sup>			InB <sup>2</sup>		InB <sup>1</sup>
Final Orientation		InB <sup>2</sup>			InB <sup>2</sup>		InB <sup>1</sup>
Total =	80.75 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	43.38 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-47.63 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-21.74 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-10.63 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-11.97 kcal/mol						

**Table 5.16: The solution phase results of a biindole interacting with the HHQK region on the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	Glu11	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Phe20
Initial Orientation	In	InB <sup>1</sup>		InB <sup>1</sup>				
	InB <sup>2</sup>							
Final Orientation	In	InB <sup>1</sup>		InB <sup>1</sup>				
	InB <sup>2</sup>							
Total =	77.80 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	39.47 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-48.43 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-6.77 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-9.52 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	4.41 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation						InB <sup>2</sup>	InB <sup>1</sup>	InB <sup>1</sup>
								In <sup>2</sup>
Final Orientation						InB <sup>2</sup>	InB <sup>1</sup>	In <sup>2</sup>
								In <sup>1</sup>
Total =	83.01 kcal/mol							
van der Waals =	41.91 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-48.33 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-1.56 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-7.08 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	4.51 kcal/mol							

**Table 5.17: The solution phase results of a biindole interacting with the HHQK region on the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation	InB <sup>1</sup>		In <sup>1</sup>	InB <sup>2</sup>			
Final Orientation	InB <sup>1</sup>		InP <sup>1</sup>	InB <sup>2</sup>			InB <sup>2</sup>
			InB <sup>1</sup>				
Total =	121.69 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	45.97 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-13.47 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-11.87 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-9.19 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-3.50 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation		InB <sup>1</sup>					
Final Orientation		InB <sup>1</sup>					
Total =	122.16 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	48.90 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-2.44 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-11.40 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-6.25 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	7.53 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	InP <sup>2</sup>		In <sup>1</sup>	In <sup>2</sup>			InP <sup>1</sup>
Final Orientation	InP <sup>2</sup>		InP <sup>1</sup>	In <sup>2</sup>			InB <sup>1</sup>
			InP <sup>2</sup> /InB <sup>1</sup>				InP <sup>1</sup>
							InB <sup>1</sup>
Total =	110.71 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	40.94 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-12.01 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-22.85 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-14.21 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-2.03 kcal/mol						



**Table 5.18: The solution phase results of a biindole interacting with the HHQK region on the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation	In <sup>1</sup>			
Final Orientation	In <sup>1</sup>			
Total =	100.97 kcal/mol			
van der Waals =	39.79 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-32.55 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-22.43 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-10.31 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-13.35 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation	In <sup>1</sup> /InP <sup>2</sup>	In <sup>2</sup>		
Final Orientation	In <sup>1</sup>	In <sup>2</sup>		
Total =	100.76 kcal/mol			
van der Waals =	40.43 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-36.37 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-22.63 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-9.68 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-17.17 kcal/mol			

**Table 5.19: The solution phase results of a biindole interacting with the HHQK region on the IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation		In <sup>1</sup>				InP <sup>1</sup>
Final Orientation		In <sup>1</sup>	InB <sup>2</sup>			InP <sup>1</sup>
Total =	96.72	kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	52.85	kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-37.09	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-18.18	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-7.00	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-7.33	kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation		InP <sup>1</sup>	InP <sup>2</sup>			
Final Orientation		InP <sup>1</sup>	InP <sup>2</sup>			
Total =	88.05	kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	49.22	kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-45.32	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-26.86	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-10.63	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-15.56	kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation		In <sup>1</sup>			InB <sup>2</sup>	
Final Orientation		InB <sup>1</sup>			InB <sup>2</sup>	
Total =	93.00	kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	45.16	kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-31.29	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-21.91	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-14.69	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-1.53	kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation	InB <sup>2</sup>	In <sup>2</sup>			In <sup>1</sup>	
Final Orientation	InB <sup>2</sup>	InP <sup>2</sup>			InB <sup>1</sup>	
		InB <sup>2</sup>			InP <sup>1</sup>	
Total =	80.75	kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	38.81	kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-40.28	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-34.16	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-21.04	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-10.52	kcal/mol				

**Table 5.20: The solution phase results of a biindole interacting with the HHQK region on the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation	InB <sup>1</sup>			In <sup>1</sup>
Final Orientation	InB <sup>1</sup>			In <sup>1</sup>
	InP <sup>1</sup>			
Total =	110.51 kcal/mol			
van der Waals =	44.22 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-25.25 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-10.47 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-8.30 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	3.60 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation	-	-	-	-
Final Orientation	InP <sup>1</sup>	InP <sup>1</sup>		
Total =	109.05 kcal/mol			
van der Waals =	52.50 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-29.73 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-11.92 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-0.03 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-0.88 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation				In <sup>1</sup>
Final Orientation				InB <sup>1</sup>
Total =	107.84 kcal/mol			
van der Waals =	48.70 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-34.63 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-13.14 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-3.82 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-5.78 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation	InP <sup>1</sup>			In <sup>2</sup>
Final Orientation	InP <sup>1</sup>			In <sup>2</sup>
Total =	97.31 kcal/mol			
van der Waals =	44.31 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-39.60 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-23.67 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-8.22 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-10.75 kcal/mol			

**Table 5.21: The solution phase results of a biindole interacting with the LVFF region on the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Asp23	Val24	His14	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Glu22
Initial Orientation				InB <sup>1</sup>	InB <sup>2</sup>	In <sup>2</sup>	InB <sup>2</sup>	InP <sup>2</sup>	InB <sup>1</sup>	In <sup>2</sup>				
Final Orientation				InB <sup>1</sup>	InB <sup>2</sup>	In <sup>2</sup> /InP <sup>1</sup>		In <sup>2</sup>	InB <sup>1</sup>	In <sup>2</sup>				
Total =	109.02 kcal/mol							110.34 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	27.59 kcal/mol							32.25 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	4.78 kcal/mol							-1.21 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-33.53 kcal/mol							-32.21 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-12.84 kcal/mol							-8.18 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-16.20 kcal/mol							-13.05 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	In <sup>2</sup> /InP <sup>1</sup>			In <sup>1</sup>				InB <sup>1</sup>	In <sup>2</sup>			InP <sup>2</sup> /InP <sup>1</sup>		
Final Orientation	InB <sup>2</sup> /InP <sup>1</sup>			In <sup>1</sup>				InP <sup>1</sup> /In <sup>2</sup>	In <sup>2</sup>			InP <sup>2</sup> /InP <sup>1</sup>		
	InP <sup>2</sup>							InB <sup>1</sup>						
Total =	108.71 kcal/mol							118.19 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	33.16 kcal/mol							28.27 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-7.12 kcal/mol							7.93 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-33.84 kcal/mol							-24.36 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-7.27 kcal/mol							-12.16 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-18.96 kcal/mol							-3.91 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	InB <sup>1</sup>				InB <sup>2</sup>		
Final Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	InB <sup>1</sup>				InB <sup>2</sup>		
Total =	120.72 kcal/mol							131.51 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	31.64 kcal/mol							36.94 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	9.05 kcal/mol							9.10 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-21.83 kcal/mol							-11.04 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-8.79 kcal/mol							-3.49 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-2.79 kcal/mol							-2.74 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation				InP <sup>1</sup>							InB <sup>1</sup>			InB <sup>2</sup>
Final Orientation				InP <sup>1</sup>							InB <sup>1</sup>			InB <sup>2</sup>
Total =	118.18 kcal/mol							118.11 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	36.49 kcal/mol							34.44 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	2.52 kcal/mol							2.04 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-24.38 kcal/mol							-24.45 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-3.94 kcal/mol							-5.99 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-9.32 kcal/mol							-9.80 kcal/mol						

**Table 5.22: The solution phase results of a biindole interacting with the LVFF region on the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Asp23	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20
Initial Orientation				InB <sup>2</sup>	InB <sup>1</sup>		InP <sup>2</sup>			InP <sup>1</sup>
Final Orientation					InB <sup>1</sup>		InP <sup>2</sup>			In <sup>1</sup>
Total =	117.95 kcal/mol						122.44 kcal/mol			
van der Waals =	29.72 kcal/mol						30.51 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-1.08 kcal/mol						9.60 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-12.54 kcal/mol						-8.05 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-7.50 kcal/mol						-6.71 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-11.75 kcal/mol						-1.07 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation	InP <sup>2</sup> /InP <sup>1</sup>			InB <sup>1</sup>	InP <sup>2</sup>	InB <sup>2</sup>	In <sup>1</sup>			
Final Orientation	In <sup>2</sup>			InP <sup>2</sup> /InP <sup>1</sup>	In <sup>2</sup>	InB <sup>2</sup>	In <sup>1</sup>			
				In <sup>2</sup> /InP <sup>1</sup>						
Total =	103.49 kcal/mol						131.43 kcal/mol			
van der Waals =	24.24 kcal/mol						36.70 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-6.97 kcal/mol						12.25 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-27.00 kcal/mol						0.94 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-12.98 kcal/mol						-0.52 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-17.64 kcal/mol						1.57 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-			InB <sup>1</sup>	
Final Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-			InB <sup>1</sup>	
Total =	123.43 kcal/mol						111.68 kcal/mol			
van der Waals =	40.64 kcal/mol						33.88 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-5.29 kcal/mol						-6.19 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-7.07 kcal/mol						-18.81 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	3.42 kcal/mol						-3.34 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-15.96 kcal/mol						-16.87 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation		InP <sup>1</sup>					-	-	-	-
Final Orientation		InP <sup>1</sup>					-	-	-	-
Total =	136.20 kcal/mol						146.73 kcal/mol			
van der Waals =	39.13 kcal/mol						43.19 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	6.81 kcal/mol						12.55 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	5.71 kcal/mol						16.24 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	1.91 kcal/mol						5.97 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-3.86 kcal/mol						1.87 kcal/mol			

**Table 5.23: The solution phase results of a biindole interacting with the LVFF region on the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Asp23	Gln15	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Glu22
Initial Orientation				InB <sup>1</sup>		InB <sup>2</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-
Final Orientation				InB <sup>1</sup>			-	-	-	-	-	-
Total =	118.91	kcal/mol					125.62	kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	34.43	kcal/mol					34.16	kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-1.12	kcal/mol					8.31	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-5.56	kcal/mol					1.16	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-5.51	kcal/mol					-5.77	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-2.73	kcal/mol					6.70	kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation			In <sup>1</sup>			InP <sup>1</sup> /InP <sup>2</sup>		InB <sup>2</sup>	InB <sup>1</sup>			InB <sup>1</sup> /InB <sup>2</sup>
Final Orientation			In <sup>1</sup>			InP <sup>1</sup> /InP <sup>2</sup>	In <sup>1</sup>	InB <sup>2</sup>				InB <sup>1</sup> /InB <sup>2</sup>
Total =	90.80	kcal/mol					102.30	kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	34.19	kcal/mol					31.49	kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-16.31	kcal/mol					-9.31	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-33.66	kcal/mol					-22.16	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-5.75	kcal/mol					-8.44	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-17.93	kcal/mol					-10.92	kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation		InP <sup>1</sup>			InP <sup>1</sup>						InP <sup>1</sup>	
Final Orientation	InP <sup>2</sup>	InP <sup>1</sup>			InP <sup>1</sup>			InB <sup>1</sup>			InB <sup>1</sup> /InB <sup>2</sup>	
	InP <sup>1</sup>	InB <sup>1</sup>									InP <sup>1</sup>	
											InB <sup>1</sup>	
Total =	107.69	kcal/mol					125.30	kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	28.32	kcal/mol					35.67	kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-0.04	kcal/mol					11.15	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-16.78	kcal/mol					0.84	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-11.62	kcal/mol					-4.27	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-1.65	kcal/mol					9.54	kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation				InB <sup>2</sup>		InB <sup>1</sup>	In <sup>1</sup>					InP <sup>1</sup>
Final Orientation				InB <sup>2</sup>			In <sup>1</sup>	InP <sup>1</sup>				InP <sup>1</sup>
Total =	118.36	kcal/mol					97.91	kcal/mol				
van der Waals =	36.92	kcal/mol					33.29	kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	9.13	kcal/mol					-8.89	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-6.11	kcal/mol					-26.55	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-3.01	kcal/mol					-6.64	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	7.52	kcal/mol					-10.51	kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Final Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total =	134.03	kcal/mol										
van der Waals =	35.05	kcal/mol										
Electrostatic =	15.54	kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	9.57	kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-4.88	kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	13.93	kcal/mol										

**Table 5.24: The solution phase results of a biindole interacting with the LVFF region on the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gln15	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Gln22	His13	His14	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20
Initial Orientation					InB <sup>1</sup>		InB <sup>1</sup>	InB <sup>1</sup>	InB <sup>1</sup>	InB <sup>1</sup>			In <sup>2</sup>
Final Orientation					In <sup>1</sup>		In <sup>1</sup>	InB <sup>1</sup>	In <sup>1</sup> /InP <sup>2</sup>	InP <sup>1</sup>			In <sup>2</sup>
Total =	117.53 kcal/mol						99.57 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	34.51 kcal/mol						30.67 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-8.15 kcal/mol						-25.98 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-12.96 kcal/mol						-30.91 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-10.44 kcal/mol						-14.28 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	1.46 kcal/mol						-16.38 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	InB <sup>1</sup>		InB <sup>1</sup>			In <sup>1</sup>				InB <sup>1</sup>			
Final Orientation	InB <sup>1</sup>		InB <sup>1</sup>	InB <sup>1</sup>		In <sup>1</sup>				InB <sup>1</sup>	InB <sup>1</sup>		
Total =	114.48 kcal/mol						137.69 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	35.45 kcal/mol						43.48 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-13.64 kcal/mol						4.16 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-16.01 kcal/mol						7.20 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-9.50 kcal/mol						-1.47 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-4.03 kcal/mol						13.76 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	InP <sup>2</sup>		InP <sup>1</sup>	InP <sup>2</sup>		In <sup>1</sup> /InP <sup>2</sup>					InP <sup>1</sup>		
Final Orientation	InP <sup>2</sup>		InP <sup>1</sup>	InP <sup>2</sup>		In <sup>1</sup> /InP <sup>2</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total =	113.28 kcal/mol						110.53 kcal/mol						
van der Waals =	30.46 kcal/mol						30.23 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-5.52 kcal/mol						-8.61 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =	-17.21 kcal/mol						-19.95 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-14.49 kcal/mol						-14.71 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	4.09 kcal/mol						0.99 kcal/mol						

**Table 5.25: The solution phase results of a biindole interacting with the LVFF region on the IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gln15	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Glu22	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Asp23
Initial Orientation					InB <sup>1</sup>		-	-	-	-	-	-
Final Orientation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total =	127.86 kcal/mol						132.13 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	37.39 kcal/mol						34.61 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	4.87 kcal/mol						3.63 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	4.21 kcal/mol						8.48 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-6.20 kcal/mol						-8.97 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	8.77 kcal/mol						7.53 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation			InB <sup>1</sup>				-	-	-	-	-	-
Final Orientation			InB <sup>1</sup>				-	-	-	-	-	-
Total =	123.05 kcal/mol						125.10 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	30.70 kcal/mol						33.23 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	1.27 kcal/mol						8.22 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-0.61 kcal/mol						1.45 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-12.89 kcal/mol						-10.35 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	5.17 kcal/mol						12.18 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation			InB <sup>1</sup>			InB <sup>1</sup>			InB <sup>1</sup>			InB <sup>1</sup>
Final Orientation			InB <sup>1</sup>	InB <sup>2</sup>		In <sup>1</sup>			InB <sup>1</sup>	InB <sup>2</sup>		In <sup>1</sup>
Total =	127.50 kcal/mol						126.14 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	36.33 kcal/mol						30.47 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	9.38 kcal/mol						7.63 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	3.85 kcal/mol						2.49 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-7.25 kcal/mol						-13.12 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	13.28 kcal/mol						11.53 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation	InB <sup>1</sup>		InP <sup>2</sup>			InP <sup>2</sup>	InP <sup>1</sup> /In <sup>2</sup>		InP <sup>1</sup>		In <sup>2</sup>	
Final Orientation	In <sup>1</sup>		In <sup>2</sup>	InP <sup>1</sup>		InP <sup>2</sup>	InB <sup>1</sup> /InB <sup>2</sup>				In <sup>2</sup>	
				InB <sup>1</sup>			InB <sup>2</sup>					
Total =	106.12 kcal/mol						119.02 kcal/mol					
van der Waals =	33.76 kcal/mol						38.04 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-7.19 kcal/mol						-2.22 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{tot}$ =	-17.53 kcal/mol						-4.64 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-9.82 kcal/mol						-5.54 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-3.29 kcal/mol						1.68 kcal/mol					



**Table 5.26: The solution phase results of a biindole interacting with the LVFF region on the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His14	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20
Initial Orientation		InB <sup>1</sup>			InB <sup>2</sup>			InB <sup>1</sup>		InB <sup>2</sup>	
Final Orientation		InB <sup>1</sup>			InB <sup>2</sup>		InB <sup>1</sup>	InB <sup>1</sup>		InB <sup>2</sup>	
Total =		164.88 kcal/mol					158.50 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =		44.40 kcal/mol					39.29 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =		32.71 kcal/mol					24.99 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =		10.76 kcal/mol					4.38 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =		2.42 kcal/mol					-2.69 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =		14.50 kcal/mol					6.78 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation	In <sup>1</sup>	InP <sup>1</sup>	In <sup>1</sup>			InP <sup>1</sup>		InP <sup>1</sup>			InP <sup>1</sup> /InP <sup>2</sup>
Final Orientation	In <sup>1</sup>		In <sup>1</sup>			InP <sup>1</sup>		InP <sup>1</sup>			In <sup>2</sup>
Total =		133.87 kcal/mol					155.35 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =		35.70 kcal/mol					45.44 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =		6.19 kcal/mol					16.49 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =		-20.25 kcal/mol					1.23 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =		-6.29 kcal/mol					3.45 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =		-12.01 kcal/mol					-1.72 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation		InB <sup>1</sup>	InB <sup>2</sup>			InB <sup>2</sup>	InB <sup>1</sup>	InP <sup>1</sup>		InP <sup>1</sup>	
Final Orientation		InB <sup>1</sup>	InB <sup>2</sup>			InB <sup>2</sup>	InB <sup>1</sup>			InP <sup>1</sup>	
Total =		139.34 kcal/mol					154.99 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =		40.71 kcal/mol					42.82 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =		17.10 kcal/mol					17.45 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =		-14.78 kcal/mol					0.87 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =		-1.28 kcal/mol					0.83 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =		-1.10 kcal/mol					-0.75 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation				InB <sup>1</sup>						InP <sup>1</sup>	InP <sup>2</sup>
Final Orientation				InB <sup>1</sup>						InP <sup>1</sup>	InP <sup>2</sup>
Total =		159.15 kcal/mol					136.43 kcal/mol				
van der Waals =		43.46 kcal/mol					39.39 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =		33.37 kcal/mol					13.58 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =		5.03 kcal/mol					-17.69 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =		1.47 kcal/mol					-2.60 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =		15.17 kcal/mol					-4.63 kcal/mol				

The solution phase results show that even when water molecules are present, the biindole is capable of binding to both the **HHQK** and LVFF regions of  $\beta$ -amyloid. The biindole binds to **HHQK** at His13-His14 and His13-Lys16. In the LVFF region, interactions are favoured almost equally at Leu17-Phe20, Leu17-Val18, Phe19-Phe20, and Val18-Phe19. For both regions the van der Waals energies tend to be more

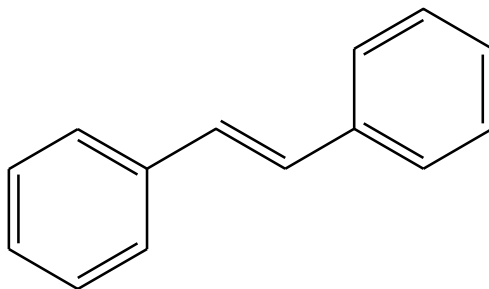
favourable than the electrostatic energies when contributing to the overall binding of the system. Comparing the energies of binding at **HHQK** and **LVFF**, interactions at **LVFF** tend to be lower, and thus more favourable.

### **5.3 INTERACTIONS BETWEEN A BI-AROMATIC MOLECULE AND THE HH AND FF REGIONS OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

To better compare the binding strength of aromatic molecules to the **HHQK** and **LVFF** regions of  $A\beta$ , semi-empirical calculations were performed to measure the binding energies of a bi-aromatic molecule to His13-His14 (**HH**) and Phe19-Phe20 (**FF**). For these calculations, gas phase minimizations were performed to find the optimized interacting systems, and these optimized systems were then used for semi-empirical modelling.

#### **5.3.1 PREPARATION OF THE BI-AROMATIC SYSTEMS FOR OPTIMIZATION**

A simple bi-aromatic molecule, 1,2-diphenylethene (Figure 5.3), was constructed for optimization with the **HH** and **FF** regions of  $\beta$ -amyloid. This molecule was constructed to best interact with the geometric arrangements of **HH** and **FF** on six different  $A\beta$  conformers; the distance between His13 and His14, and Phe19 and Phe20 was measured for each conformer and averaged to suggest that a molecule capable of spanning 10-13 Å would be ideal. As a molecule with two aromatic species was desired for interaction, several molecules were constructed before 1,2-diphenylethene was selected to fit these distances.



**Figure 5.3: 1,2-diphenylethene**

Gas phase systems were set up such that each ring of the bi-aromatic molecule was oriented approximately 3.0 Å away from each of the histidine, or phenylalanine residues. In the case of the 1BA4 conformer, the FF region was inaccessible and was not included in these calculations.

Each of the resulting systems was energy minimized at the semi-empirical molecular orbital level of theory using the AM1 Hamiltonian as implemented in the Gaussian 09W suite of programs [107]. Energies were calculated for the singlet state and ground state system, using quadratically convergent SCF. The energies of the  $\beta$ -amyloid conformers are given in Appendix 5, and that of 1,2-diphenylethene in the following table, for both the gas phase minimized system and its optimized energy at the AM1 level.

**Table 5.27: The gas phase and semi-empirical energies of 1,2-diphenylethene**

	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$
1,2-diphenylethene	31.36	24.85	-0.15
	0.10126097713		hartrees
	63.542		kcal/mol

The binding energies were calculated using the following equations for the gas phase minimized systems:

$$\Delta E_{\text{tot}} = E_{\text{tot}} - E_{\text{A}\beta} - E_{\text{Biaromatic}} \quad (5.7)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}} = E_{\text{vdw}} - E_{\text{vdwA}\beta} - E_{\text{vdwBiaromatic}} \quad (5.8)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{ele}} = E_{\text{ele}} - E_{\text{eleA}\beta} - E_{\text{eleBiaromatic}} \quad (5.9)$$

The binding energies are calculated by subtracting the energies of the optimized bi-aromatic molecule and the A $\beta$  conformers (with constrained protein backbone) from the geometry optimized systems. For the semi-empirical calculations, equation 5.10 was used to calculate the binding energy for each system.

$$\Delta E_{\text{bind}} = E_{\text{A}\beta\text{Biaromatic}} - E_{\text{A}\beta} - E_{\text{Biaromatic}} \quad (5.10)$$

### 5.3.2 GAS PHASE RESULTS OF THE OPTIMIZATION OF A BI-AROMATIC MOLECULE WITH HH AND FF OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID

The gas phase optimized systems of 1,2-diphenylethene with the HH and FF regions of A $\beta$  are summarized in the following table. The measured and calculated binding energies of the systems are given, also the initial and final orientations of the bi-aromatic molecule. Each ring was arbitrarily assigned as Ar<sup>1</sup> or Ar<sup>2</sup> for the summary. Measureable bonds are coloured pink for  $\pi$ -H and blue for  $\pi$ - $\pi$ . Interactions with the -CH<sub>2</sub>- chain of the amino acid are in indigo, while purple indicates that the C=O of the protein backbone is involved and lime green, the -CH- of the backbone.

**Table 5.28: The gas phase results of 1,2-diphenylethene interacting with HH and FF on  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Conformer		Gly9	Tyr10	Glu11	His13	His14	Leu17	Val18	Ile31	Lys16	Phe19	Phe20	Asp23	Val24
IAMB	Initial Orientation				Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>					Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>		
	Final Orientation		Ar <sup>1</sup> /Ar <sup>2</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>	Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>				Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>
	Total =		-0.96 kcal/mol							-6.86 kcal/mol				
	van der Waals =		63.16 kcal/mol							61.45 kcal/mol				
	Electrostatic =		-225.53 kcal/mol							-231.14 kcal/mol				
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =		-20.40 kcal/mol							-26.30 kcal/mol				
	$\Delta E_{\text{v,dw}}$ =		-13.09 kcal/mol							-14.80 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ete}}$ =		-8.36 kcal/mol							-13.98 kcal/mol					
IAMC	Initial Orientation				Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>					Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>		
	Final Orientation		Ar <sup>1</sup>		Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>		Ar <sup>2</sup>		Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>		
	Total =		1.00 kcal/mol							-14.09 kcal/mol				
	van der Waals =		68.45 kcal/mol							69.14 kcal/mol				
	Electrostatic =		-242.51 kcal/mol							-259.14 kcal/mol				
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =		-18.44 kcal/mol							-33.53 kcal/mol				
	$\Delta E_{\text{v,dw}}$ =		-11.53 kcal/mol							-10.84 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ete}}$ =		-8.37 kcal/mol							-25.00 kcal/mol					
IAML	Initial Orientation				Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>					Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>		
	Final Orientation		Ar <sup>1</sup>		Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>		Ar <sup>2</sup>		Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>	Ar <sup>1</sup>	
	Total =		159.69 kcal/mol							163.62 kcal/mol				
	van der Waals =		108.68 kcal/mol							112.01 kcal/mol				
	Electrostatic =		-179.47 kcal/mol							-178.51 kcal/mol				
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =		-14.39 kcal/mol							-10.46 kcal/mol				
	$\Delta E_{\text{v,dw}}$ =		-8.84 kcal/mol							-5.51 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ete}}$ =		-6.53 kcal/mol							-5.57 kcal/mol					
IITY	Initial Orientation				Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>					Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>		
	Final Orientation				Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>					Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>	
	Total =		72.13 kcal/mol							73.54 kcal/mol				
	van der Waals =		71.83 kcal/mol							73.82 kcal/mol				
	Electrostatic =		-204.59 kcal/mol							-205.19 kcal/mol				
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =		-12.14 kcal/mol							-10.74 kcal/mol				
	$\Delta E_{\text{v,dw}}$ =		-8.67 kcal/mol							-6.68 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ete}}$ =		-4.23 kcal/mol							-4.83 kcal/mol					
I2OQ	Initial Orientation				Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>					Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>		
	Final Orientation		Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>					Ar <sup>1</sup>	Ar <sup>2</sup>		
	Total =		181.65 kcal/mol							193.252 kcal/mol				
	van der Waals =		99.36 kcal/mol							106.749 kcal/mol				
	Electrostatic =		-195.26 kcal/mol							-190.229 kcal/mol				
	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ =		-17.59 kcal/mol							-5.98 kcal/mol				
	$\Delta E_{\text{v,dw}}$ =		-11.69 kcal/mol							-4.30 kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{\text{ete}}$ =		-7.14 kcal/mol							-2.11 kcal/mol					

The bi-aromatic molecule was capable of binding to HH and FF for all systems.

For two of the conformers, the binding energies for FF are more favourable, while the other three indicate that binding to HH is slightly more preferable than FF.

### 5.3.3 RESULTS OF THE SEMI-EMPIRICAL OPTIMIZATION OF A BI-AROMATIC MOLECULE WITH HH AND FF ON $\beta$ -AMYLOID

The energies calculated from the semi-empirical optimizations of 1,2-diphenylethene with the HH and FF regions of A $\beta$  are summarized in Table 5.29. The measured energies are in Hartrees, while the calculated binding energies have been converted to kcal/mol for easier comparison. Interactions that formed at HH or FF are included – these were taken into consideration when examining the binding energies in order to determine the favoured region of binding for the bi-aromatic molecule.

**Table 5.29: Results of the semi-empirical calculations of a bi-aromatic molecule with HH and FF on  $\beta$ -amyloid**

Conformer	Orientation	Interactions	Measured Energy (hartrees)	Binding Energy (kcal/mol)	Favoured Orientation
1AMB	H-H	-	-0.98112151594	-5.215	F-F
	F-F	Phe20	-1.01462932116	-26.241	
1AMC	H-H	His14	-0.98447816175	-1.932	F-F
	F-F	Phe19	-1.03521548273	-33.770	
1AML	H-H	-	-1.34255000338	-4.510	F-F
	F-F	Phe19	-1.35412604015	-11.774	
1IYT	H-H	His13	-2.08041616515	-4.318	F-F
	F-F	Phe19/Phe20	-2.09137849898	-11.197	
1Z0Q	H-H	-	-1.18594891661	-0.392	H-H
	F-F	Phe19	-1.18463462204	0.433	

More binding interactions formed with the FF region of A $\beta$  than the HH region. Even taking these bonds into account, the bi-aromatic tended to bind more strongly to Phe19-Phe20.

## 5.4 CONCLUSIONS ON AROMATIC COMPOUNDS BINDING TO HHQK AND LVFF OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID

The results of both the gas phase optimizations and the semi-empirical calculations suggest that within  $\beta$ -amyloid, LVFF is also a viable target for endogenous molecules to bind to in addition to **HHQK**. It appears that aromatic molecules such as indoles may bind even more strongly to the LVFF region of  $A\beta$ . Therefore endogenous molecules capable of forming aromatic type interactions, such as those examined in Chapter 3, may bind to both regions of  $\beta$ -amyloid to prevent amyloid aggregation from occurring.

## 5.5 INTERPRETATION

The binding interactions between  $\beta$ -amyloid and indole compared to an unsubstituted biindole suggest that both aromatic species bind to the **BBXB** region of  $A\beta$  with comparable frequency. Biindole formed more binding interactions with the AAXA motif relative to indole; as the species are chemically similar, this is most likely a difference between the size of the biindole molecule relative to the indole.

The binding energies of biindole are more favourable than those of indole for both interactions at **HHQK** and at LVFF. This indicates that the binding interactions with the biindole molecule are likely stronger than those with indole. Again, this is most likely due to the relative size of the species examined. The biindole presents two identical indole molecules that can each bind to a separate amino acid side chain, whereas for indole, it must interact with two different side chains simultaneously. Thus the size of the

molecule is important in identifying species to interact with the **HHQK** and **LVFF** regions of A $\beta$ .

The energies of interactions occurring at the **AAXA** motif are less for most conformations of A $\beta$  relative to those occurring at **BBXB**. For indole, the energies of interactions at **LVFF** are less than those at **HHQK**, despite the fact that more binding interactions can occur at **LVFF** versus **HHQK**. Thus the interactions occurring at **LVFF** are likely of a weaker type than those at **HHQK**. For biindole, more interactions have also formed at **LVFF** relative to **HHQK**; the measured binding energies are more comparable than seen for the indole. Although there are differences in the energetics of interaction, both indole and biindole demonstrate a capacity to bind to the **AAXA** motif in more systems than observed for the **BBXB** motif. This indicates that aromatic species could be designed to target both the **BBXB** and **AAXA** motifs of A $\beta$  to block both these regions from interactions with the negatively charged regions and the cholesterol rafts present on membrane surfaces. This would prevent unwanted conformational changes from occurring.

The semi-empirical studies further confirm that aromatic species can bind to both **HH** and **FF** on A $\beta$ , and that interactions with **FF** tend to be more energetically favourable, at least where unsubstituted molecules are concerned. The presence of electron withdrawing or electron donating groups on the aromatic rings would affect the strength of the binding interactions observed. The conformation of A $\beta$  also appears to play a role in how strongly the bi-aromatic molecule can bind to **HH** and **FF**. The different spatial orientations may allow for stronger stacking interactions to occur for some



conformations, and the surrounding amino acid side chains may also influence how energetically favourable these optimized systems are.

It can be concluded that aromatic features may be important in indentifying endogenous molecules that can target the AAXA motif of  $\beta$ -amyloid alongside the **BBXB** motif.

# CHAPTER 6: THE SEARCH FOR A DIAGNOSTIC AGENT FOR ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

Currently, there are no definitive methods for diagnosing Alzheimer's disease during the life of a patient; it can only be diagnosed with certainty at autopsy. In living patients, methods such as the Mini-Mental State Examination are combined with structural tools such as positron emission tomography (PET) or magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) to diagnose possible AD [20].

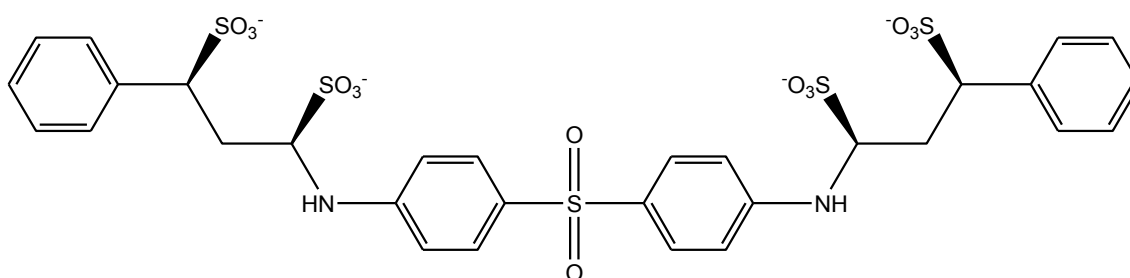
MRI imaging agents can be used to produce contrasting images through the use of paramagnetic species such as gadolinium. Chelated gadolinium has significantly reduced toxicity relative to gadolinium salts, and its paramagnetic nature results in a decrease of the  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  relaxation times in the MRI [108]. The chelated compound can be used to show leaky blood vessels as locations with higher concentrations of complex will show up differently; the gadolinium affects the protons in the vicinity of its chelation allowing for a contrasting image to be visualized [108]. MRI imaging agents for Alzheimer's disease are desirable as this technique is most widely available in hospitals, relative to PET and SPECT.

## 6.1 SOLAPSONE AS AN IMAGING AGENT FOR ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

There is a crucial need for new imaging agents with which to visualize aggregating  $\beta$ -amyloid in the brain of a living person. An ideal imaging agent should be safe, capable of binding to  $A\beta$  and capable of concomitantly binding to an MRI-active

agent such as gadolinium cations. Based upon previous work by the Weaver group, polyvinylsulfonate (PVS) has been identified as a glycosaminoglycan mimic capable of binding to the **HHQK** region of  $\beta$ -amyloid. PVS is a polyanionic substance that is capable of binding to **HHQK**, but with multiple remaining anionic functional groups capable of also binding to  $Gd^{3+}$ ; however, PVS is not a safe drug-like molecule. Accordingly, a known drug with molecular properties similar to PVS was sought.

Using standard textbooks of pharmacology and medicinal chemistry, coupled with an extensive literature review, the Weaver group assembled a library of 956 compounds as known drugs (Appendix 10). A search of the library revealed that solapsone (Figure 6.1) was a known drug with striking similarities to PVS. As a result, solapsone was studied as a potential imaging agent.

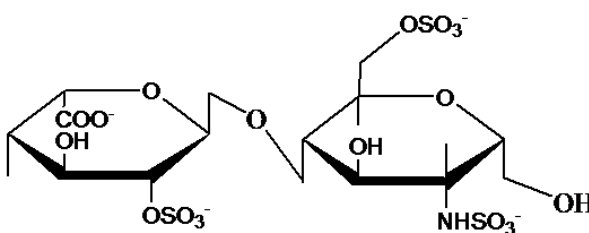


**Figure 6.1: Solapsone as charged for physiological pH**

Solapsone is a “moderate sized” drug molecule that was used in the early 1960s to treat leprosy [109]. Solapsone is well tolerated with low toxicity and minimal side effects; the LD50 (which is the amount of drug needed to cause death in half of the studied population) was measured as 2.7 g per kilogram [110]. It also appears that solapsone is capable of crossing the blood-brain barrier as concentrations were measured

to be between 1.3-3.7 mg per 100 mL of cerebrospinal fluid, and 2.0-6.1 mg per 100 mg of brain [111].

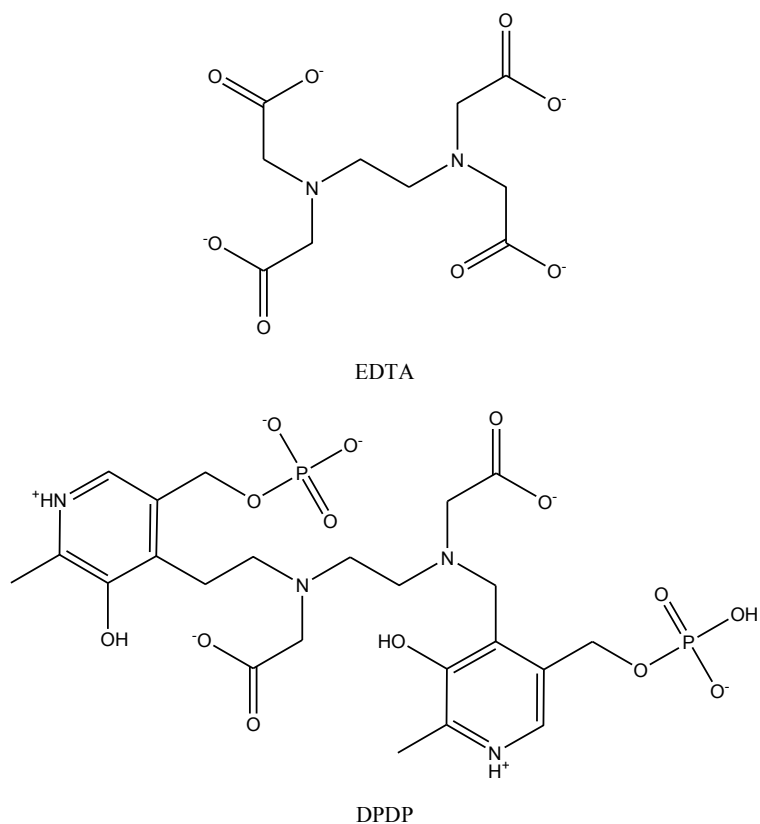
As it has a high concentration of aromatic rings and negatively charged sulfonate groups, solapsone could potentially interact with both  $\beta$ -amyloid and a cation available for MRI-contrast imaging. It is also structurally similar to glycosaminoglycans, such as heparin sulfate (Figure 6.2), with which  $A\beta$  binds to undergo conformational changes: this suggests a capacity for solapsone to bind to the protein.



**Figure 6.2: Heparin sulfate**

Solapsone presents itself as a potential indicator for identifying Alzheimer's disease. Given that it has a flexible structure, it should be capable of chelating to a positively charged metal ion, such as gadolinium or manganese cations, which are commonly used in MRIs, as their paramagnetic properties allow them to be used as contrast agents [112]. The aromatic rings and sulfonate groups should be capable of interacting with the  $\beta$ -amyloid peptide in the **HHQK** and **LVFF** regions while chelating the metal ion. Therefore, this could be used as a method of identifying the amount of  $\beta$ -amyloid present in the brain and whether a patient has AD or not; the fact that solapsone has been measured in brain bodes well for its potential use as a contrast imaging agent that must cross the blood-brain barrier.

The strength of solapsone as a chelating agent for  $Gd^{3+}$  and  $Mn^{2+}$  was compared to that of EDTA and DPDP (Figure 6.3). EDTA and DPDP are frequently used as chelating agents; EDTA is commonly used as a chelating agent for heavy metals, while DPDP is already used as an organ specific contrast agent for MRI, when chelated to manganese [113].



**Figure 6.3: EDTA and DPDP charged for physiological pH**

### 6.1.1 PREPARATION OF SOLAPSONE, EDTA, AND DPDP

Solapsone is a “moderate-sized” organic molecule with numerous aromatic rings and sulfonate groups. A conformational search was performed to determine the lowest energy structure of the molecule [47]. A neutral solapsone molecule was constructed and twelve torsional angles were used to run a systematic conformational search in the gas

phase. From this search the lowest energy conformation was selected and then charged for physiological pH before being optimized in the gas phase. The lowest energy structure of solapsonone is relatively symmetric, therefore one half was arbitrarily denoted as the left side and coloured blue to distinguish it from the right half of the molecule.

The same procedure was followed for both EDTA and DPDP, where the molecules were constructed in neutral forms and subjected to systematic conformational searches. There were seven torsional angles examined for EDTA and thirteen for DPDP. The lowest energy conformation from each search was then charged and minimized in the gas phase.

### **6.1.2 GAS PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF SOLAPSONONE, EDTA, AND DPDP CHELATING $Gd^{3+}$ AND $Mn^{2+}$**

For each of solapsonone, EDTA, and DPDP, initial gas phase geometry optimizations were performed with one ion of either  $Gd^{3+}$  or  $Mn^{2+}$  placed at distance of 10 Å from the molecule being examined. These were used to calculate the energy of a non-interactive system. Following these calculations, the ions being examined were separated from the various functional groups on each of the three molecules by approximately 3 Å. For each molecule, the interaction that resulted in the lowest overall energy was selected for solution phase optimization.

The results of the gas phase minimizations with  $Gd^{3+}$  are given in Table 6.1 where the calculated total,  $\Delta E_{tot}$ , van der Waals,  $\Delta E_{vdw}$ , and electrostatic energies,  $\Delta E_{ele}$ , for each of the gas phase systems selected are given in kcal/mol. The table also identifies functional groups where chelation was occurring.

**Table 6.1: Gas phase results of solapsone, EDTA and DPDP chelating Gd<sup>3+</sup>**

	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$	$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$	Chelation sites
Solapsone	-231.28	6.92	-244.50	2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
EDTA	-234.16	13.85	-247.07	2 CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup> and 1 N
DPDP	-236.53	9.01	-252.26	2 CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>

The results of the gas phase optimization of the three molecules with Mn<sup>2+</sup> are given in Table 6.2 for each of the lowest energy systems.

**Table 6.2: Gas phase results of solapsone, EDTA and DPDP chelating Mn<sup>2+</sup>**

	$\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$	$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$	$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$	Chelation sites
Solapsone	-134.67	4.27	-142.39	2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
EDTA	-157.36	8.88	-165.20	2 CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup> and 1 N
DPDP	-155.24	8.05	-173.89	PO <sub>3</sub> <sup>2-</sup> and 1 CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>

### 6.1.3 SOLUTION PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF SOLAPSONE, EDTA, AND DPDP CHELATING Gd<sup>3+</sup> AND Mn<sup>2+</sup>

Each of the selected energetically favourable systems from the gas phase interactions was minimized in a solvated environment. The systems in which the chelating agents were separated by 10 Å were also optimized in the solution phase in order to determine the energies of interaction.

Each system was placed in a 30.28 Å x 30.28 Å x 30.28 Å box of water molecules and minimized. The energies for each system were calculated upon removal of the solvent (as the number of water molecules present will vary with each system) and the chelation sites were identified for solapsone, EDTA and DPDP.

The results of the solution phase optimized interactions between each of the chelating agents and  $Gd^{3+}$  are given in Table 6.3, while the interactions with  $Mn^{2+}$  are given in Table 6.4. The measured energies are in kcal/mol.

**Table 6.3: Solution phase results of solapsone, EDTA and DPDP chelating  $Gd^{3+}$**

	$\Delta E_{tot}$	$\Delta E_{vdw}$	$\Delta E_{ele}$	Chelation sites
Solapsone	-221.84	2.91	-220.86	2 $SO_3^-$ and 2 $H_2O$
EDTA	-232.79	13.33	-240.90	2 $CO_2^-$ and 1 N and 2 $H_2O$
DPDP	-228.86	4.26	-227.98	2 $CO_2^-$ and 1 $H_2O$

**Table 6.4: Solution phase results of solapsone, EDTA and DPDP chelating  $Mn^{2+}$**

	$\Delta E_{tot}$	$\Delta E_{vdw}$	$\Delta E_{ele}$	Chelation sites
Solapsone	-128.13	4.45	-134.11	2 $SO_3^-$
EDTA	-151.65	5.54	-154.15	2 $CO_2^-$ and 1 N and 2 $H_2O$
DPDP	-144.65	9.94	-164.76	1 $PO_3^{2-}$ and 1 $CO_2^-$ and 1 $H_2O$

#### 6.1.4 CONCLUSIONS ON SOLAPSONE, EDTA AND DPDP CHELATING $Gd^{3+}$ AND $Mn^{2+}$

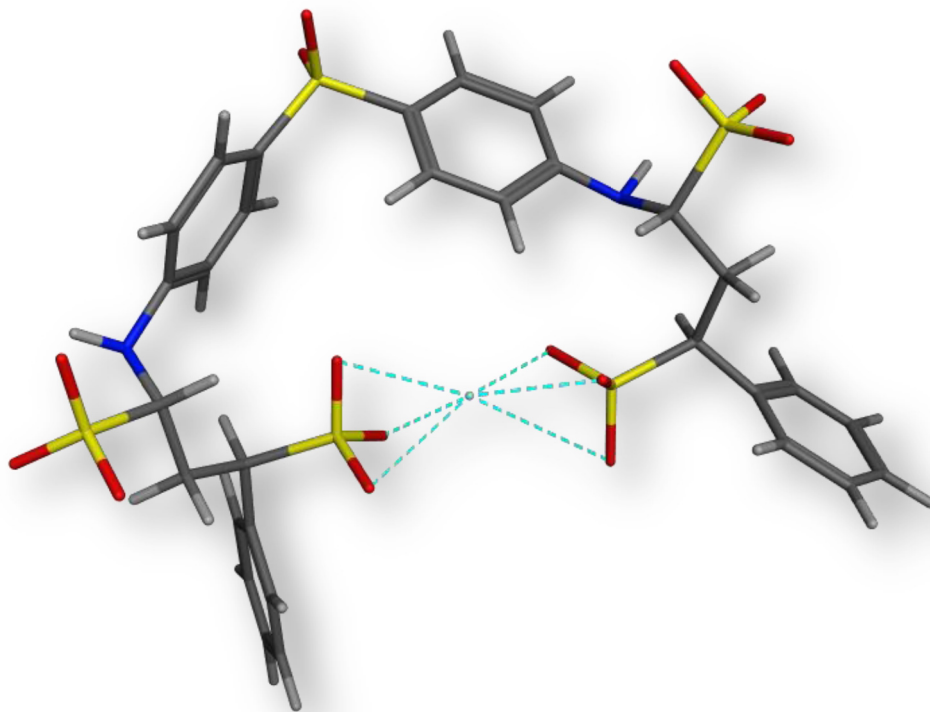
Gas phase minimizations indicated that solapsone was capable of chelating both  $Gd^{3+}$  and  $Mn^{2+}$ . The total binding energy of solapsone relative to EDTA and DPDP for chelating  $Gd^{3+}$  is very similar, it is also the case for the electrostatic energies. In terms of the van der Waals energies, solapsone is most favoured, followed by DPDP and then EDTA, this can be explained by the number of aromatic rings present in each molecule.

In the gas phase minimization of the three molecules with  $Mn^{2+}$ , solapsone was less favourable in terms of binding energies, with the exception of having the best van der Waals energy of the three. Manganese is a much smaller ion than gadolinium, so it would



seem that the large structure of solapsonone is not as capable as the smaller EDTA and DPDP structures in terms of chelating the ion.

The solution phase results of the minimization of solapsonone, EDTA and DPDP with  $Gd^{3+}$  indicate an order of overall energetic favourability of  $EDTA \geq DPDP >$  solapsonone, although solapsonone is still quite capable of chelating the ion. Solapsonone is still preferred in terms of the van der Waals energy over the other two chelating agents. All three systems have the gadolinium ion chelating with water, as well as the molecule of interest. In the case of solapsonone in particular, this indicates that the chelated system could also interact with the  $\beta$ -amyloid peptide. Figure 6.4 demonstrates the orientation of the most favourable chelated complex of solapsonone and gadolinium.



**Figure 6.4: Solapsonone chelating gadolinium (III).**

The results of the solution phase optimization of the systems involving the manganese ion indicate a distinct pattern of EDTA > DPDP > solapsone in terms of the overall binding energy. Contrary to what is seen for the gadolinium systems, DPDP chelated to  $Mn^{2+}$  has a lower electrostatic energy than EDTA, which is still much lower than the same energy for solapsone. Similarly, while solapsone is still the most favoured for van der Waals energies, EDTA exhibits a lower energy than DPDP (despite a lack of aromatic rings). One possible explanation for the less favourable solapsone energies may be due to the fact that manganese (II) is chelating in such a position that it is not interacting with any water molecules; this results in few chelation sites for the ion and may indicate that the structure of the system is less favourable as a whole.

## **6.2 THE OPTIMIZATION OF A SOLAPSONE-GD<sup>3+</sup> COMPLEX WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID**

As solapsone presented itself as a viable molecule for chelating paramagnetic cations, the next phase was to determine if a complex of solapsone and gadolinium would be capable of binding to  $\beta$ -amyloid. Molecular mechanics simulations were performed in gas and solution phase environments to determine if binding could occur with the **HHQK** and **LVFF** regions of  $A\beta$ .

### **6.2.1 PREPARATION OF $\beta$ -AMYLOID-SOLAPSONE-GD<sup>3+</sup> SYSTEMS FOR GAS PHASE OPTIMIZATION**

The best chelated solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> complex identified in Section 6.1.1 was selected for optimization with six different conformations of  $\beta$ -amyloid: 1AMB, 1AMC, 1AML, 1BA4, 1IYT and 1Z0Q (as identified by their PDB codes). The gas phase

optimized energies of the A $\beta$  conformers are given in Appendix 6, and that of the solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> complex is given in Table 6.5.

**Table 6.5: The gas phase energies of solapsone chelating gadolinium**

	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	E <sub>tot</sub>	E <sub>vdw</sub>	E <sub>ele</sub>
Solapsone -Gd <sup>3+</sup>	-150.16	47.42	-223.73

As the chelated solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> complex is more fixed in its structure, there were only a few orientations that could be set up for optimization. Systems were prepared such that two of the functional groups on solapsone were situated  $\sim 3.0$  Å away from two of the amino acid side chains of interest in the **HHQK** or **LVFF** region of  $\beta$ -amyloid. For the optimized results, the energies were calculated to determine the binding strength via the following equations:

$$\Delta E_{\text{tot}} = E_{\text{tot}} - E_{\text{A}\beta} - E_{\text{SolapGd}} \quad (6.1)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}} = E_{\text{vdw}} - E_{\text{vdwA}\beta} - E_{\text{vdwSolapGd}} \quad (6.2)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{ele}} = E_{\text{ele}} - E_{\text{eleA}\beta} - E_{\text{eleSolapGd}} \quad (6.3)$$

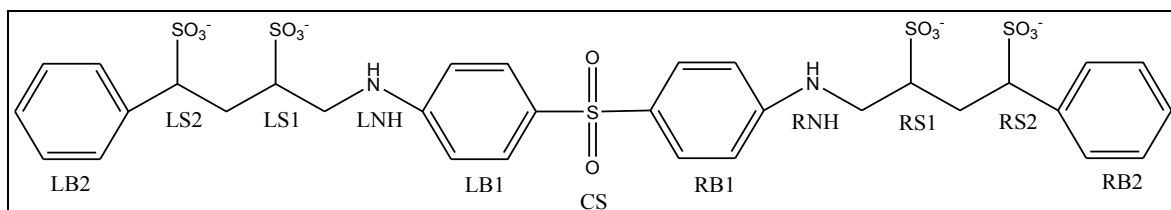
The total, van der Waals, and electrostatic binding energies were calculated by subtracting the energy of the optimized solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> complex and the energy of the A $\beta$  conformer from the energy of the gas phase minimized system.

The energy minimizations were performed with constrained protein backbones to prevent structural collapse.

### 6.2.2 THE GAS PHASE RESULTS OF SOLAPSONE-GD<sup>3+</sup> OPTIMIZED WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID

A significant number of optimized A $\beta$ -solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> systems were generated from the gas phase minimizations. The complete results are given in Appendix 11. From

the gas phase results, six systems were selected for each of the **HHQK** and **LVFF** regions of each conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid for solution phase optimization. The systems that were selected are listed in the following tables according to  $A\beta$  conformer. The functional groups on solapsonone are identified according to Figure 6.5.



**Figure 6.5: Abbreviations of the functional groups on solapsonone**

The amino acid side chains are represented by their three letter notation, and both the initial orientation of solapsonone- $Gd^{3+}$  and its final orientation upon minimization are given. Measured bonds that formed are coloured blue for  $\pi$ - $\pi$ , green for cation- $\pi$ , and orange for hydrogen bonds. When more than one hydrogen bond formed with an amino acid, a darker shade of orange was used. Interactions with the  $-CH_2-$  of the amino acid side chain are shown in indigo, while interactions with the  $C=O$ ,  $-NH-$  or  $-CH-$  of the protein backbone are coloured purple, yellow and lime green, respectively. The chelation occurring with  $Gd^{3+}$  was also included for reference.

**Table 6.6: Selected results of the gas phase minimization of solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> with the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe20	Glu22
Initial Orientation		RS1			LS1				
Final Orientation		RB1			LS1	RS1		LS1	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites									
Total =	-241.32	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-82.49	kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	78.07	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-21.05	kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-506.18	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	-70.90	kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation		LS1	RS1						
Final Orientation	CS	RB1	RS1			LS1	RS2		RS1
		LB1					RB2		
		LS1							
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites									
Total =	-233.53	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-74.69	kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	82.13	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-16.99	kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-497.80	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	-62.52	kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation		RS2	LS1						
Final Orientation	LB2	RS2	LS1		RS1	RS1	LS1		
		RB2	LB2				LB1		
		RS1	LS2						
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites									
Total =	-248.40	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-89.57	kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	77.42	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-21.70	kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-506.11	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	-70.83	kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation		LS1	RS2						
Final Orientation		LS1	Gd <sup>3+</sup>					LB2	
		LS1	RS2						
			LS1						
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 3 sites									
Total =	-235.17	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-76.33	kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	84.99	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-14.13	kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-505.24	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	-69.96	kcal/mol			

	His13	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Asp23	Lys28	His13	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Glu22	Gly25	Lys28
Initial Orientation					RB1	LB1				LB1			RB1				
Final Orientation		LB1			CS			LB2	LS1	LB1			RB1				RS1
		LNH						CS									
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites																	
Total =	-237.86	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-79.02	kcal/mol			-232.85	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-74.01	kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	86.54	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-12.59	kcal/mol			88.43	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-10.69	kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-513.32	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	-78.04	kcal/mol			-503.13	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	-67.85	kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation			RB1			LB1						RB2		LB2			
Final Orientation	RS1		RB1					LS1				RB2		LB2	LB2		LS1
			RNH					LNH									
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites																	
Total =	-225.03	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-66.20	kcal/mol			-216.82	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-57.98	kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	87.41	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-11.71	kcal/mol			82.74	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-16.38	kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-497.62	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	-62.34	kcal/mol			-482.74	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	-47.46	kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation			RB2	LB2								LB2	RB2				
Final Orientation			RB2	LB2					RB2	RB2			RS2				
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites																	
Total =	-214.70	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-55.87	kcal/mol			-212.11	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-53.27	kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	89.40	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-9.73	kcal/mol			92.23	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-6.89	kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-480.93	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	-45.65	kcal/mol			-479.73	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	-44.45	kcal/mol			

**Table 6.7: Selected results of the gas phase minimization of solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> with the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Phe20		Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Phe20	
Initial Orientation		LB1	RB1							RB2			LB2			
Final Orientation	CS	LS1	RB1			LS1			RB2				LS2		LB1	
	LB1		CS						RB2				RS2			
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites								
Total =	-218.35	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-70.68	kcal/mol		-208.95	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	=	-61.29	kcal/mol		
Van der Waals =	97.45	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-12.38	kcal/mol		95.96	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	=	-13.88	kcal/mol		
Electrostatic =	-506.37	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	-57.44	kcal/mol		-496.19	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	=	-47.26	kcal/mol		
Initial Orientation		RS2			LS2								LB2		RB2	
Final Orientation		RB2			LS1	RB2	LB2	LB2	RB2	LS2			RS2		LS2	
		RS1							RS2	LB2			LS2			
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites								
Total =	-207.89	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-60.22	kcal/mol		-229.7	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	=	-82.07	kcal/mol		
Van der Waals =	104.26	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-5.57	kcal/mol		94.3	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	=	-15.51	kcal/mol		
Electrostatic =	-504.15	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	-55.21	kcal/mol		-518.8	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	=	-69.87	kcal/mol		
Initial Orientation		RS2			LS1								LB2			
Final Orientation	RS1	RB1	RS1		LS1	LS1	LS1	RS2	LS2	RB2			LB2			
					LB1			RS1	LB2							
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 3 sites								
Total =	-223.14	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-75.48	kcal/mol		-218.05	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	=	-70.38	kcal/mol		
Van der Waals =	97.64	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-12.19	kcal/mol		86.52	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	=	-23.31	kcal/mol		
Electrostatic =	-514.30	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	-65.37	kcal/mol		-498.94	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	=	-50.00	kcal/mol		
	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Glu22		His13	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20		
Initial Orientation			RB2		LB2				LB2		LB2			RB2		
Final Orientation				RS2	LB2			LB2	RS2	RB2	LB2			RB2		
				RB2				RS2	RB2		RS2					
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites								
Total =	-234.22		kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-86.56	kcal/mol		-230.05	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	=	-82.39	kcal/mol	
Van der Waals =	102.27		kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-7.56	kcal/mol		97.69	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	=	-12.14	kcal/mol	
Electrostatic =	-531.47		kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	-82.54	kcal/mol		-522.93	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	=	-73.99	kcal/mol	
Initial Orientation				LB1	RB1						LB1			RB1		
Final Orientation	LB1			LB1	RB1		RB1	LS1	LS1	LB2	LNH			RB1		
	CS				CS				LNH	LNH				CS		
														LB1		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites								
Total =	-221.78		kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-74.11	kcal/mol		-221.58	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	=	-73.92	kcal/mol	
Van der Waals =	96.54		kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-13.30	kcal/mol		97.62	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	=	-12.21	kcal/mol	
Electrostatic =	-527.11		kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	-78.17	kcal/mol		-516.36	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	=	-67.42	kcal/mol	
Initial Orientation					LB1	RB1					RB1			LB1		
Final Orientation		RS1			LB1	RS1		RS1	RS1	RB1	RS1			LB2		
						RB1				RS1						
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites								
Total =	-213.93		kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-66.26	kcal/mol		-211.67	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	=	-64.01	kcal/mol	
Van der Waals =	92.89		kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-16.94	kcal/mol		94.83	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	=	-15.00	kcal/mol	
Electrostatic =	-500.23		kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	-51.30	kcal/mol		-502.58	kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	=	-53.65	kcal/mol	

**Table 6.8: Selected results of the gas phase minimization of solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> with the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Phe20	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation		LB1	RB1						LS2			RS1
Final Orientation	LB1	LB1	CS			LB1		LS2	LS1			RS1
		LS1						RS2				
		LNH										
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 7 sites						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites						
Total =	-79.29 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-114.79 kcal/mol				-89.72 kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{Tot}$		-125.21 kcal/mol	
Van der Waals =	131.81 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-6.92 kcal/mol				129.60 kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{Vdw}$		-9.13 kcal/mol	
Electrostatic =	-467.13 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	-112.86 kcal/mol				-471.85 kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{Ele}$		-117.59 kcal/mol	
Initial Orientation		LS1			RS1				LS1			RS2
Final Orientation		LS1			RS1			LS1	LS1			RB1
												LS1
												LB1
												RS1
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites						
Total =	-74.53 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-110.02 kcal/mol				-68.9 kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{Tot}$		-104.35 kcal/mol	
Van der Waals =	135.24 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-3.49 kcal/mol				130.1 kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{Vdw}$		-8.63 kcal/mol	
Electrostatic =	-465.66 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	-111.39 kcal/mol				-465.4 kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{Ele}$		-111.12 kcal/mol	
Initial Orientation		RB1			LB1				RS1			LS2
Final Orientation					LB1		CS	RS1	RS1			LS2
					LNH		LB1					RS1
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites						
Total =	-60.49 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-95.98 kcal/mol				-60.35 kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{Tot}$		-95.85 kcal/mol	
Van der Waals =	126.23 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-12.50 kcal/mol				129.74 kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{Vdw}$		-8.99 kcal/mol	
Electrostatic =	-441.39 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	-87.12 kcal/mol				-440.58 kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{Ele}$		-86.31 kcal/mol	
	His13	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Asp23	Ala30				
Initial Orientation					LB2	RB2						
Final Orientation		LS1			LS1		LB2					
					LB2							
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites												
Total =		-70.15 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-105.64 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =		132.06 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-6.67 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =		-456.32 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	-102.06 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation			RB2		LB2							
Final Orientation	RB2	RB2	RB2			RS2		RB2				
						LS2						
						LB2						
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites												
Total =		-60.29 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-95.78 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =		123.81 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-14.92 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =		-440.73 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	-86.47 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation					RB1	LB1						
Final Orientation		RS1			RB1	CS	CS					
		RB1			CS	LB1						
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites												
Total =		-55.20 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-90.70 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =		126.54 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-12.19 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =		-454.14 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$	-99.88 kcal/mol							

**Table 6.9: Selected results of the gas phase minimization of solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> with the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Asp1	Glu3	His6	Asp7	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation																
Final Orientation	LB2	LB2	LS1	LB2	LB2	RB2	RB2	RB2		LB2	RB2	LB2	LB2	LS1		RB2
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites																
Total =	-144.66 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$		-86.21 kcal/mol						-143.45 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$		-85.00 kcal/mol	
Van der Waals =	92.84 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$		-15.71 kcal/mol						91.58 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$		-16.98 kcal/mol	
Electrostatic =	-469.32 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$		-76.05 kcal/mol						-469.77 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$		-76.49 kcal/mol	
Initial Orientation							RB2			LB2			LB1		RB1	
Final Orientation						RB2	RB2	RS1		LB2			LS1		RS1	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites																
Total =	-139.15 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$		-80.70 kcal/mol						-127.60 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$		-69.14 kcal/mol	
Van der Waals =	93.59 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$		-14.96 kcal/mol						101.57 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$		-6.99 kcal/mol	
Electrostatic =	-469.70 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$		-76.43 kcal/mol						-454.87 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$		-61.59 kcal/mol	
Initial Orientation							LS2	RS1					RS2		LS1	
Final Orientation							LS1	RS1					RS1		LS1	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 si3 sites (2L & 1R) + 2 H2O																
Total =	-130.15 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$		-71.70 kcal/mol						-124.56 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$		-66.10 kcal/mol	
Van der Waals =	102.55 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$		-6.01 kcal/mol						102.65 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$		-5.91 kcal/mol	
Electrostatic =	-460.94 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$		-67.66 kcal/mol						-452.96 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$		-59.69 kcal/mol	
	His14	Gln15	Leu17	Vall8	Phe19	Phe20	Glu22	His14	Gln15	Leu17	Vall8	Phe19	Phe20	Glu22		
Initial Orientation			RB2	LB2						LB1						
Final Orientation			RB2	LB2				LS1		LB1			RB1			
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 7 sites								LB1		CS						
Total =	-128.90 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$		-70.45 kcal/mol			-102.77 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$		-44.32 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	100.41 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$		-8.15 kcal/mol			99.13 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$		-9.42 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-445.86 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$		-52.58 kcal/mol			-425.45 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$		-32.18 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation			LB2		RB2					RB1	LB1					
Final Orientation	LS1		LB2	LS2			RB2	LS1		RB1	LB1					
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites										RB1	LB1					
Total =	-141.47 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$		-83.02 kcal/mol			-141.52 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$		-83.07 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	99.11 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$		-9.45 kcal/mol			97.76 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$		-10.80 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-469.08 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$		-75.81 kcal/mol			-458.76 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$		-65.49 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation				RB1	LB1					RB2		LB2				
Final Orientation		CS			LB1		LS2		LB2	RB2	RS2			LB2		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites																
Total =	-133.48 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$		-75.03 kcal/mol			-112.93 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$		-54.47 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	101.99 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$		-6.56 kcal/mol			98.71 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$		-9.84 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-470.46 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$		-77.18 kcal/mol			-434.90 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$		-41.62 kcal/mol				



**Table 6.10: Selected results of the gas phase minimization of solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> with the HHQK region of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation		LB1	RB1					LS2	RS1			
Initial Orientation	LB2	LB2	RB1				RS1	RB1	RS1			RB2
		LB2	CS					LS1				
		LB1						LS2				
								RS2				
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 7 sites						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites						
Total =	-174.37	kcal/mol					-168.28	kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	88.30	kcal/mol					88.10	kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-487.17	kcal/mol					-482.30	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-77.13	kcal/mol					-71.04	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-14.83	kcal/mol					-15.03	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-63.19	kcal/mol					-58.31	kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation		RS2	LS1					RS1	LS2			
Initial Orientation		RS1	LS1			RB1	LB2	RS1	LS1			RB1
		RS2				LB1						LB1
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites						
Total =	-164.57	kcal/mol					-163.1	kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	90.55	kcal/mol					96.3	kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-479.42	kcal/mol					-487.4	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-67.33	kcal/mol					-65.83	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-12.58	kcal/mol					-6.80	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-55.43	kcal/mol					-63.42	kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation		LS1	RS1					RS1			LS1	
Initial Orientation		LS1	RS1			RB2		RS1			LS1	
		LS2										
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites						
Total =	-162.67	kcal/mol					-161.53	kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	90.55	kcal/mol					99.37	kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-478.55	kcal/mol					-484.59	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-65.42	kcal/mol					-64.28	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-12.59	kcal/mol					-3.77	kcal/mol				
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-54.57	kcal/mol					-60.61	kcal/mol				

**Table 6.11: Selected results of the gas phase minimization of solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> with the LVFF region of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Asp23	His13	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Asp23
Initial Orientation					RB1	LB1					RB2		LB2			
Final Orientation	RS1	RS1	LS1		RS1	LB1			RB2	RS2	RB2			RB2		LB2
		LS1			RB1	LS1				LS2				RS2		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites and Gln15 @ 1 site								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites								
Total =	-200.37 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-103.13 kcal/mol							-147.55 kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-50.30 kcal/mol		
Van der Waals =	84.01 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-19.12 kcal/mol							92.24 kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-10.90 kcal/mol		
Electrostatic =	-504.17 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elec}$	-80.18 kcal/mol							-471.44 kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{Elec}$	-47.45 kcal/mol		
Initial Orientation						LB1	RB1				RB1			LB1		
Final Orientation			RB1			CS	RB1	CS	RB1		RB1			LB1		
									RB1		RB1			CS		
									RB2							
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 7 sites								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites								
Total =	-139.11 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-41.87 kcal/mol							-136.96 kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-39.72 kcal/mol		
Van der Waals =	94.48 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-8.66 kcal/mol							88.44 kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-14.69 kcal/mol		
Electrostatic =	-461.08 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elec}$	-37.10 kcal/mol							-455.31 kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{Elec}$	-31.33 kcal/mol		
Initial Orientation						RB1	LB1				LB1			RB1		
Final Orientation			RB1			CS	LB1	CS			CS			RB1		CS
											LB1			RS1		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites								
Total =	-136.63 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-39.39 kcal/mol							-134.72 kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{Tot}$	-37.48 kcal/mol		
Van der Waals =	90.85 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-12.29 kcal/mol							92.94 kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{Vdw}$	-10.20 kcal/mol		
Electrostatic =	-451.45 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elec}$	-27.47 kcal/mol							-452.02 kcal/mol	$\Delta E_{Elec}$	-28.04 kcal/mol		

**Table 6.12: Selected results of the gas phase minimization of solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> with the HHQK region of the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation				RS1		LS1				LS1	RS1		
Final Orientation	CS	CS	LB1	RS1		LS1		LS1	LB1	LS1	RS1		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites						
Total =	-72.10 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-85.39 kcal/mol			-64.81 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-78.09 kcal/mol	
Van der Waals =	121.54 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-7.03 kcal/mol			121.90 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-6.67 kcal/mol	
Electrostatic =	-484.65 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-79.87 kcal/mol			-480.66 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-75.88 kcal/mol	
Initial Orientation			RS1	LS1							LS1		RS1
Final Orientation			RS1	LS1			CS	LS1	RB2	LS1			RS1
				LB1									
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites						
Total =	-62.75 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-76.04 kcal/mol			-62.6 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-75.84 kcal/mol	
Van der Waals =	118.78 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-9.79 kcal/mol			119.0 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-9.53 kcal/mol	
Electrostatic =	-475.26 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-70.49 kcal/mol			-474.4 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-69.63 kcal/mol	
Initial Orientation			RS2	LS1						LB1			RB1
Final Orientation	RS2	LS1	RS1	LS1		RS1				LS1			RB1
			RB2						CS				RS1
			RS2										
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites						
Total =	-59.70 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-72.98 kcal/mol			-47.76 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-61.04 kcal/mol	
Van der Waals =	116.27 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-12.30 kcal/mol			121.27 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-7.30 kcal/mol	
Electrostatic =	-473.41 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-68.63 kcal/mol			-462.81 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-58.03 kcal/mol	

**Table 6.13: Selected results of the gas phase minimization of solapstone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> with the LVFF region of the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	His14	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Glu22
Initial Orientation		LB1		RB1				RB1	LB1				
Final Orientation	LS1	LB1		CS	CS	LS1	RS1	CS	LB1			CS	
		LB1			RB1			RB1					
		LNH											
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 7 sites						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites							
Total =	-62.93	kcal/mol				-47.10	kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	115.15	kcal/mol				114.66	kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-476.38	kcal/mol				-452.59	kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-76.22	kcal/mol				-60.39	kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-13.42	kcal/mol				-13.91	kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-71.61	kcal/mol				-47.82	kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation				LB1	RB1			LB2		RB2			
Final Orientation		RS2		RB1	RB1			LB2		RB2			
		RB2			RB2								
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 7 sites						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 7 sites							
Total =	-36.08	kcal/mol				-33.05	kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	118.41	kcal/mol				122.21	kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-443.94	kcal/mol				-450.01	kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-49.36	kcal/mol				-46.33	kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-10.16	kcal/mol				-6.36	kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-39.16	kcal/mol				-45.23	kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation				RB1	LB1			LB1	RB1				
Final Orientation		CS			LB1	RB1		LB1	CS			CS	CS
		RB1			CS							LB1	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites							
Total =	-29.97	kcal/mol				-23.73	kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	119.23	kcal/mol				111.48	kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-442.94	kcal/mol				-427.48	kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-43.26	kcal/mol				-37.01	kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-9.34	kcal/mol				-17.09	kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-38.16	kcal/mol				-22.70	kcal/mol						

Where possible, the gas phase systems selected for optimization in the solution phase had low energies, and binding interactions occurring at multiple sites within the A $\beta$  region of interest. It can be seen that the complex can bind to  $\beta$ -amyloid at multiple sites within the **HHQK** and LVFF regions and gadolinium can chelate solapstone at multiple sites while these interactions are occurring.

### 6.2.3 THE SOLUTION PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF SOLAPSONE-GD<sup>3+</sup> WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID

The solution phase optimizations were performed by surrounding the gas phase system with a box of explicit water molecules. Minimization was performed with unconstrained protein backbones and periodic boundary conditions in place. Each of the optimized systems was examined for potential binding interactions, the energies were measured ignoring solvent contributions, and with a constrained protein backbone. The binding energies were calculated using equations 6.1-6.3; the energies of the solution phase optimized proteins are given in Appendix 6, and the energy of the solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> complex is given in the following table.

**Table 6.14: The solution phase energies of solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup>**

	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$
Solapsone -Gd <sup>3+</sup>	-130.46	51.01	-210.73

### 6.2.4 RESULTS OF THE SOLUTION PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF SOLAPSONE-GD<sup>3+</sup> WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID

The results of the A $\beta$ -solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> systems geometry optimized in an aqueous environment are summarized in the following tables according to  $\beta$ -amyloid conformer and region of interest (**HHQK** or **LVFF**). The measured and calculated energies for each system are given, along with the initial and final orientations of binding (amino acids are noted by their three letter abbreviations). The chelation occurring with gadolinium is also given, and the measured bonds that formed in the systems are indicated according to the following colours: orange for hydrogen bonds, green for cation- $\pi$ , and blue for  $\pi$ - $\pi$ . Darker shades indicate the formation of multiple bonds of that type. Indigo is used for

interactions occurring with the  $-\text{CH}_2-$  chain of the amino acid, lime green is used for the  $-\text{CH}-$  of the backbone, and yellow and purple are used for the  $-\text{NH}-$  and  $\text{C}=\text{O}$  of the backbone.

**Table 6.15: The solution phase results of solapson-Gd<sup>3+</sup> interacting with the HHQK region of the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe20	Glu22
Initial Orientation		RB1			LS1	RS1		LS1	
Final Orientation		RB1			LS1	RS1		LS1	
		LB1			LB1				
		RNH							
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites + 2 H <sub>2</sub> O					Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites + 3 H <sub>2</sub> O				
Total =	-218.65	kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =	93.07	kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-489.39	kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{rot}}$ =	-96.13	kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-9.82	kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-66.74	kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation	CS	RB1	RS1			LS1	RS2		RS1
		LB1					RB2		
		LS1							
Final Orientation	CS	LS1	RB1			LS1			RS1
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites					Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites + 2 H <sub>2</sub> O				
Total =	-234.93	kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =	85.20	kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-485.81	kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{rot}}$ =	-112.41	kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-17.69	kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-63.16	kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation	LB2	RS2	LS1		RS1	RS1	LS1		LB2
		RB2	LB2			LB1			
		RS1	LS2						
Final Orientation	RS2	RS2	LS1			RS1	LS1		LS1
		RB2	LS2			RB1			LB2
		RS1	LB2						
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 3 sites					Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 1 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 3 sites				
Total =	-233.83	kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =	74.41	kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-479.85	kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{rot}}$ =	-111.31	kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ =	-28.48	kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ =	-57.20	kcal/mol							

**Table 6.16: The solution phase results of solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> interacting with the LVFF region of the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His13	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Asp23	Val24	Lys28	His13	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Glu22	Gly25	Lys28
Initial Orientation		LB1 LNH			CS		LB2 CS			LS1	LB1			RB1				RS1
Final Orientation		LB1 LNH			LB1 CS	LB1 LB2	LB2 CS	LB2		LS1	LB1 LS1 CS			RB1 CS				RS1 RNH
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites + 2 H <sub>2</sub> O										Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites + 3 H <sub>2</sub> O								
Total =		-135.45 kcal/mol								-231.41 kcal/mol								
Van der Waals =		88.01 kcal/mol								82.93 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =		-476.73 kcal/mol								-484.24 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-12.93 kcal/mol								-108.90 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-14.88 kcal/mol								-19.97 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-54.08 kcal/mol								-61.59 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation	RS1		RB1 RNH						LS1 LNH			RB2		LB2	LB2			LS1
Final Orientation	RS1		RB1						LS1 LNH			RB2			LB2	RB2	LB2	LS1
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites + 1 H <sub>2</sub> O										Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 3 sites + 2 H <sub>2</sub> O								
Total =		-225.90 kcal/mol								-220.27 kcal/mol								
Van der Waals =		87.51 kcal/mol								88.94 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =		-482.70 kcal/mol								-488.15 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-103.38 kcal/mol								-97.75 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-15.38 kcal/mol								-13.95 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-60.05 kcal/mol								-65.50 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation				RB2	LB2					RB2	RB2							
Final Orientation				RB2	LB2					RB2	RB2	LB2						
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites + 1 H <sub>2</sub> O										Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites + 1 H <sub>2</sub> O								
Total =		-154.82 kcal/mol								-216.83 kcal/mol								
Van der Waals =		92.29 kcal/mol								97.34 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =		-467.83 kcal/mol								-470.78 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-32.31 kcal/mol								-94.31 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-10.60 kcal/mol								-5.56 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-45.18 kcal/mol								-48.13 kcal/mol								

**Table 6.17: The solution phase results of solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> interacting with the HHQK region of the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Phe20	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Phe20	
Initial Orientation	CS LB1	LS1	RB1			LS1			RB2 RB2			LB2 LS2 RS2		LB1	
Final Orientation	LB1 CS	LS1 LB1	RB1 LB1			LS1			RB2 RB2 RS2			LB2 LS2 RS2		LB1	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites + 2 H <sub>2</sub> O								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites + 2 H <sub>2</sub> O							
Total =	-189.11	kcal/mol						-218.76	kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	93.59	kcal/mol						85.90	kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-458.63	kcal/mol						-472.52	kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-68.96	kcal/mol						-98.61	kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-22.09	kcal/mol						-29.78	kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-43.86	kcal/mol						-57.75	kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation		RB2 RS1			LS1	RB2	LB2	LB2	RB2 RS2 LS2	LS2 LB2				RS2 LS2	
Final Orientation		RS1			LS1	RS2			RB2 RS2 LS2	LB2 LS2		RB2		RS2 LS2	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 2 sites + 3H <sub>2</sub> O								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 3 sites + 1 H <sub>2</sub> O							
Total =	-188.56	kcal/mol						-230.5	kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	97.45	kcal/mol						83.3	kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-464.24	kcal/mol						-512.8	kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-68.41	kcal/mol						-110.37	kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-18.24	kcal/mol						-32.40	kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-49.46	kcal/mol						-98.08	kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	RS1	RB1	RS1		LS1 LB1	LS1	LS1	RS2 RS1 LS2 RB2	LS2 LB2	RB2					
Final Orientation	RS1	RB1 RS1			LS1 LB1	LS1	LS1	RS2 RB2 RS1 LS1	LS1 LS2	RB2				LS2	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites + 1 H <sub>2</sub> O								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 3 sites							
Total =	-185.90	kcal/mol						-220.02	kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	78.92	kcal/mol						82.54	kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-444.80	kcal/mol						-487.04	kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-65.75	kcal/mol						-99.87	kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-36.76	kcal/mol						-33.14	kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-30.03	kcal/mol						-72.27	kcal/mol						



**Table 6.18: The solution phase results of solapstone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> interacting with the LVFF region of the 1AMC conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Glu22	His13	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Lys28
Initial Orientation				RS2	LB2				LB2	RS2	LB2			RB2	
Final Orientation				RB2	LB2		RB2	LB2	LS2	RB2	LB2				
				RS2				LS2	LB2	RS2	RS2				
									RS2		LS2				
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites + 1 site @ Glu22									Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites + 1 H <sub>2</sub> O						
Total =	-218.82 kcal/mol								-214.91 kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	107.43 kcal/mol								87.25 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-514.19 kcal/mol								-486.99 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-98.67 kcal/mol								-94.76 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-8.25 kcal/mol								-28.43 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-99.42 kcal/mol								-72.22 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	LB1			LB1	RB1			RB1	LS1	LS1	LB2			RB1	
	CS				CS					LNH	LNH			CS	
Final Orientation	LB1				RB1			RB1	LS1	LS1	LB2			LB1	RB2
	CS				CS			LS2		LNH	LNH			CS	
								RS2							
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites + 2 sites @ Glu22									Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites + 1 H <sub>2</sub> O						
Total =	-234.87 kcal/mol								-229.24 kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	93.30 kcal/mol								86.87 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-529.51 kcal/mol								-501.00 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-114.72 kcal/mol								-109.09 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-22.38 kcal/mol								-28.81 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-114.74 kcal/mol								-86.23 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation		RS1			LB1	RS1			RS1	RS1	RB1			LB2	
					RB1						RS1				
Final Orientation		RS1			LB2				RS1	RS1	RS1			LS2	LB1
					CS						RB1			LB2	
					RB1									LB1	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites + 1 H <sub>2</sub> O									Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 1 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 2 sites + 4H <sub>2</sub> O						
Total =	-213.15 kcal/mol								-202.00 kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	80.56 kcal/mol								89.85 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-484.06 kcal/mol								-476.35 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-93.00 kcal/mol								-81.85 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-35.12 kcal/mol								-25.84 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-69.29 kcal/mol								-61.58 kcal/mol						

**Table 6.19: The solution phase results of solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> interacting with the HHQK region of the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Phe20	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation	LB1	LB1 LS1 LNH	CS			LB1		LS2 RS2	LS1			RS1
Final Orientation	LB1 LB1 CS	LS1 LB1 LNH	CS			CS LB1		RS2 LS2	LS1			RS1
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 7 sites								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites + 1H <sub>2</sub> O				
Total =	-207.77	kcal/mol						-80.04	kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	41.45	kcal/mol						109.77	kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-356.12	kcal/mol						-439.86	kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-231.43	kcal/mol						-103.70	kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-90.24	kcal/mol						-21.92	kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-9.69	kcal/mol						-93.43	kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation		LS1			RS1			LS1	LS1			RB1 LS1 LB1 RS1
Final Orientation		LS1			RS1			LS1	LS1			RB1 RS1 LS1 LB1
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites + 1 H <sub>2</sub> O								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites				
Total =	-48.94	kcal/mol						-75.3	kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	137.61	kcal/mol						117.7	kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-445.33	kcal/mol						-438.8	kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-72.60	kcal/mol						-99.00	kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	5.92	kcal/mol						-14.02	kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-98.90	kcal/mol						-92.38	kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation					LB1 LNH		CS LB1	RS1	RS1			LS2 RS1
Final Orientation					LB1		CS LB1	RS1	RS1			LS2 RS1
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites + 2 H <sub>2</sub> O								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites				
Total =	-62.85	kcal/mol						-53.04	kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	113.75	kcal/mol						121.25	kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-426.12	kcal/mol						-423.96	kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-86.51	kcal/mol						-76.70	kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-17.94	kcal/mol						-10.44	kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-79.69	kcal/mol						-77.53	kcal/mol			

**Table 6.20: The solution phase results of solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> interacting with the LVFF region of the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His13	Lys16	Leu17	Vall8	Phe19	Phe20	Asp23	Ala30
Initial Orientation		LS1			LS1		LB2	
Final Orientation		LS1			LB2 LS1	LS1	LB2	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites + 1 H <sub>2</sub> O								
Total =	-70.66 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =	121.33 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-437.88 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-94.32 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-10.36 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-91.44 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation	RB2	RB2	RB2			RS2 LS2 LB2		RB2
Final Orientation	RB2	RB2	RB2			LB2 RB2 LS2 RS2	LB2	RB2
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites								
Total =	-59.73 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =	118.48 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-435.25 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-83.39 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-13.21 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-88.82 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation		RS1 RB1			RB1 CS	CS LB1	CS	
Final Orientation		RB1 RS1			CS RB1	LB1 CS	LB1 CS	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 1 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 2 sites + 2H <sub>2</sub> O								
Total =	-23.53 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =	127.86 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-398.53 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-47.19 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-3.83 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-52.10 kcal/mol							

**Table 6.21: The solution phase results of solapsonone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> interacting with the HHQK region of the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Asp1	Glu3	His6	Asp7	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation	LB2	LB2	LS1	LB2	LB2	RB2	RB2				LB2	RB2	LB2	LS1		
						RS2						RS2				
Final Orientation	LB2	LB2	LS1	LB2	LB2	RB2	RB2				LB2	LB2	LB2	LS1		
						RS2						RS2	LB2			
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites + 1 H <sub>2</sub> O											Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 3 sites + 1 H <sub>2</sub> O					
Total =	-99.93 kcal/mol										-90.20 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =	107.16 kcal/mol										119.14 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-457.60 kcal/mol										-454.64 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-97.78 kcal/mol										-88.06 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-25.90 kcal/mol										-13.91 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-77.22 kcal/mol										-74.27 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation						RB2	RB2	RS1					LS1	RS1		
						RS2										
Final Orientation						RB2	RS1	RS1		LB2			LS1	RS1		
						RS2	RB2							RB1		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites + 1H <sub>2</sub> O											Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites + 1 H <sub>2</sub> O					
Total =	-86.34 kcal/mol										-86.3 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =	112.38 kcal/mol										122.3 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-452.20 kcal/mol										-445.4 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-84.19 kcal/mol										-84.19 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-20.68 kcal/mol										-10.75 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-71.82 kcal/mol										-65.03 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation							LS1	RS1					RS1	LS1		
								RB1					LS1			
Final Orientation							LS1	RS1					LS1	LS1		
							LS2	RB1					RS1			
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 3 sites + 3 H <sub>2</sub> O											Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites + 1H <sub>2</sub> O					
Total =	-52.97 kcal/mol										-66.49 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =	142.41 kcal/mol										134.18 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-438.81 kcal/mol										-431.55 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-50.82 kcal/mol										-64.34 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	9.35 kcal/mol										1.12 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-58.43 kcal/mol										-51.17 kcal/mol					

**Table 6.22: The solution phase results of solapsonone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> interacting with the LVFF region of the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His14	Gln15	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Glu22	His14	Gln15	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Glu22
Initial Orientation			RB2	LB2				LS1		LB1				
								LB1		CS				
								LNH						
Final Orientation			RB2	LB2				LS1		LB1				
								LB1		CS				
								LNH						
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites + 1 H <sub>2</sub> O								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites + 1 H <sub>2</sub> O						
Total =	-64.06 kcal/mol							-47.23 kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	148.07 kcal/mol							123.38 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-446.28 kcal/mol							-401.70 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-61.92 kcal/mol							-45.09 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	15.01 kcal/mol							-9.68 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-65.90 kcal/mol							-21.32 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	LS1		LB2	LS2			RB2	LS1		RB1	LB1			
										RS1				
Final Orientation	LS1			LS2			RB2	LB1		RB1	LB1			
				RS2				LS1		RS1	CS			
										LB1				
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites + 2 H <sub>2</sub> O						
Total =	-95.13 kcal/mol							-109.35 kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	124.38 kcal/mol							110.61 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-455.35 kcal/mol							-458.02 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-92.99 kcal/mol							-107.21 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-8.68 kcal/mol							-22.45 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-74.97 kcal/mol							-77.64 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation		CS			LB1		LS2		LB2	RB2	RS2			LB2
					CS		RS1				LS2			
Final Orientation		CS			CS		LS2		LB2	RB2	LS2			LB2
							CS				RS2			
							RS2							
							RB2							
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites + Glu22 @ 1 site								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 3 sites + 2 H <sub>2</sub> O						
Total =	-87.29 kcal/mol							-19.10 kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	235.74 kcal/mol							116.18 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-420.33 kcal/mol							-373.70 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-85.14 kcal/mol							-16.96 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	102.68 kcal/mol							-16.88 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-39.95 kcal/mol							6.68 kcal/mol						

**Table 6.23: The solution phase results of solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> interacting with the HHQK region of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation	LB2			LB2	RB1					RS1	RB1	RS1			RB2
				LB2	CS						LS1				
				LB1							LS2				
											RS2				
Final Orientation	LB2	RB1	LB2	LB2	RB1			CS	RB1	RS1	LS1	RS1			RB2
		RNH		LB2	CS						LS2				
				LB1							RB1				
				CS											
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites + 2 H <sub>2</sub> O															
Total =	-127.87 kcal/mol								-126.68 kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	114.23 kcal/mol								114.09 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-488.23 kcal/mol								-482.56 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-52.59 kcal/mol								-51.40 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-8.41 kcal/mol								-8.55 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-57.00 kcal/mol								-51.33 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation				RS1	LS1			RB1		LB2	RS1	LS1			RB1
				RS2				LB1							LB1
Final Orientation				RS2	LS1			RB1		LS2	RS1	LS1			RB1
				RS1				LB1		LB2		LS2			
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites + 2 H <sub>2</sub> O															
Total =	-86.38 kcal/mol								-98.6 kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	112.68 kcal/mol								132.2 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-495.57 kcal/mol								-477.1 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-11.10 kcal/mol								-23.28 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-9.96 kcal/mol								9.53 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-64.34 kcal/mol								-45.92 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation				LS1	RS1			RB2			RS1			LS1	
				LS2											
Final Orientation				Gd <sup>3+</sup>	RB2			RS2			RS1			LS1	
				LS2	RS1			RB2							
				LS1											
				LB2											
				RS2											
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 3 sites + 2 H <sub>2</sub> O															
Total =	-52.97 kcal/mol								-100.56 kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	142.41 kcal/mol								113.09 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-438.81 kcal/mol								-461.92 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	22.32 kcal/mol								-25.28 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	19.77 kcal/mol								-9.55 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-7.57 kcal/mol								-30.68 kcal/mol						
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites + 1 H <sub>2</sub> O															

**Table 6.24: The solution phase results of solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> interacting with the LVFF region of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Asp23	His13	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Asp23
Initial Orientation	RS1	RS1 LS1	LS1		RS1 RB1	LB1 LS1			RB2	RS2 LS2	RB2			RB2 RS2		LB2
Final Orientation		LS2 LS1 RS2 RS1	LS1		RS1	LB1 LS1 LNH				RB2 RS2	RB2			RB2 RS2 LS2		LB2
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites + Gln15 @ 1 sites + 2H <sub>2</sub> O									Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites							
Total =	-127.96 kcal/mol								-82.28 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =	109.91 kcal/mol								106.56 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-488.27 kcal/mol								-499.21 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-52.68 kcal/mol								-7.00 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-12.73 kcal/mol								-16.08 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-57.04 kcal/mol								-67.98 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation			RB1				RB1	CS	RB1		RB1			LB1		
Final Orientation			RB1				CS	CS	RB2		RB1			LB1		
							RB1		RB2					CS		
									RB1							
									RNH							
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 3 sites + 2 H <sub>2</sub> O									Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites + 2 H <sub>2</sub> O							
Total =	-47.01 kcal/mol								-34.86 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =	129.69 kcal/mol								130.54 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-425.91 kcal/mol								-471.42 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	28.28 kcal/mol								40.42 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	7.05 kcal/mol								7.90 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	5.33 kcal/mol								-40.19 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation			RB1			CS	LB1	CS			CS			RB1		CS
			LB1			RB1	CS				LB1			RS1		
			CS													
			RS1													
Final Orientation			RS1			RB1	CS	CS			LS1			RB1		CS
			RB1			CS					LB1			RS1		
			CS								CS					
											RB1					
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 1 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 2 sites + 3H <sub>2</sub> O									Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites + 2 H <sub>2</sub> O							
Total =	-21.05 kcal/mol								-13.72 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =	117.69 kcal/mol								132.45 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-381.88 kcal/mol								-454.47 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	54.23 kcal/mol								61.57 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-4.94 kcal/mol								9.81 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	49.36 kcal/mol								-23.24 kcal/mol							

**Table 6.25: The solution phase results of solapstone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> interacting with the HHQK region of the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17
Initial Orientation	CS	CS	LB1	RS1		LS1		LS1	LB1	LS1	RS1			
Final Orientation		CS	LB1	RS1		LS1		LS1	CS	LS1	RS1			
			CS						LB1					
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites + 2 H <sub>2</sub> O								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 3 sites + 2 H <sub>2</sub> O						
Total =	-39.54 kcal/mol							-86.70 kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	105.47 kcal/mol							113.23 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-472.05 kcal/mol							-464.94 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-46.11 kcal/mol							-93.28 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-22.79 kcal/mol							-15.04 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-88.13 kcal/mol							-81.02 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation			RS1	LS1			CS		LS1	RB2	LS1		RS1	
				LB1										
Final Orientation	RS1		RS1	LS1			CS	LS1	LS1	RB2	LS1		RS1	CS
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites + 2 H <sub>2</sub> O								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites + 1H <sub>2</sub> O						
Total =	-138.20 kcal/mol							-88.9 kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	101.63 kcal/mol							130.2 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-485.00 kcal/mol							-479.1 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-144.77 kcal/mol							-95.42 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-26.64 kcal/mol							1.89 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-101.08 kcal/mol							-95.21 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation	RS2	LS1	RS1	LS1			RS1			LS1			RB1	
			RB2							CS			RS1	
Final Orientation		LS1	RS1	LS1			RS1			LS1			RS1	
			RS2							LB1			RB1	
			RS2							CS				
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites + 1 H <sub>2</sub> O								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 3 sites + 2 H <sub>2</sub> O						
Total =	-80.00 kcal/mol							-95.61 kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	121.45 kcal/mol							118.61 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-473.46 kcal/mol							-453.28 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-86.57 kcal/mol							-102.18 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-6.82 kcal/mol							-9.66 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-89.55 kcal/mol							-69.36 kcal/mol						

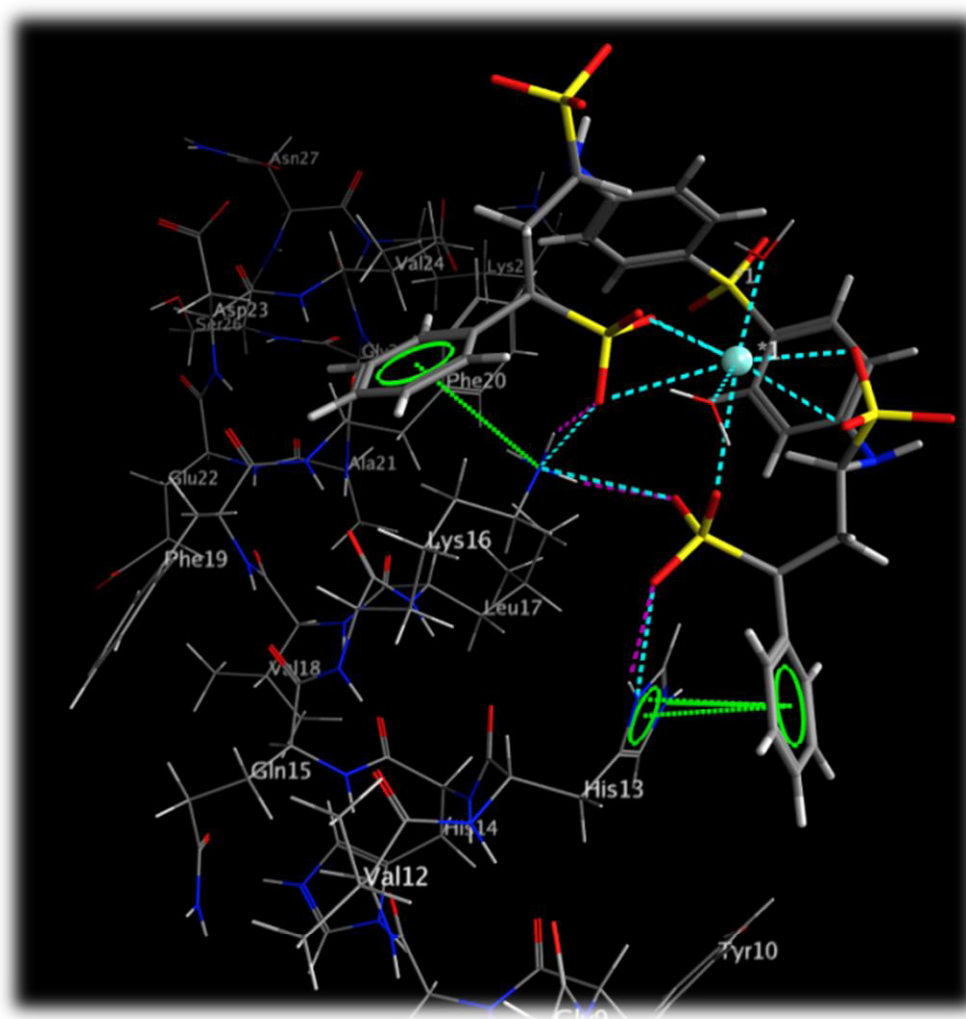


**Table 6.26: The solution phase results of solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> interacting with the LVFF region of the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	His14	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Glu22	
Initial Orientation	LS1 LB1 LNH	LB1		CS	CS RB1	LS1	RS1	CS RB1	LB1			CS		
Final Orientation	LS1 CS LB1 LNH	CS LB1		CS	RB1 CS	LS1 RNH		CS RB1	CS			LB1 CS		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 3 sites + 1 H <sub>2</sub> O								
Total =	-105.95	kcal/mol				-89.80	kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =	106.34	kcal/mol				93.80	kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-468.66	kcal/mol				-443.33	kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-112.52	kcal/mol				-96.37	kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-21.93	kcal/mol				-34.47	kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-84.74	kcal/mol				-59.42	kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation		RS2 RB2		RB1 RB2	RB1 RB2			LB2		RB2				
Final Orientation		RS2 RB2		RS2 RB1 CS	RB2 RB1 RNH			RS2		RB2 RS2				
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites + 1H <sub>2</sub> O								
Total =	-72.60	kcal/mol				-21.72	kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =	105.06	kcal/mol				103.68	kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-453.66	kcal/mol				-396.89	kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-79.17	kcal/mol				-28.29	kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-23.20	kcal/mol				-24.59	kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-69.74	kcal/mol				-12.98	kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation		CS RB1			LB1 CS	RB1		LB1 CS				CS LB1	CS	
Final Orientation	RB1	CS RB1		CS RB1	LB1 CS	RB1 LB1 RNH		LS1 CS	LB1				CS	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites + 3H <sub>2</sub> O						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites + 1 H <sub>2</sub> O								
Total =	-31.47	kcal/mol				-61.96	kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =	113.37	kcal/mol				117.61	kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-402.15	kcal/mol				-435.34	kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-38.04	kcal/mol				-68.53	kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-14.90	kcal/mol				-10.65	kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-18.23	kcal/mol				-51.43	kcal/mol							

The solution phase optimized systems of  $\beta$ -amyloid and solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> showed binding could occur between the complex and the **HHQK** and LVFF regions of interest. The orientation of the interactions tended to remain the same as in the gas phase system, and gadolinium was still capable of chelating to solapsone in the presence of water, and

even interacted with the protein in some instances. An example of the binding interactions can be seen in Figure 6.6, with the water molecules removed except for those interacting with gadolinium. The electrostatic energies are more favourable than the van der Waals energies of the systems. Binding occurs preferentially at His13-His14, followed by His13-Lys16 in the **HHQK** region, while Leu17-Phe20, Phe19-Phe20, and Leu17-Val18 are favoured in the **LVFF** region.



**Figure 6.6:** Solution phase interactions between the chelated solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> complex and  $\beta$ -amyloid. Dashed green lines indicate the formation of aromatic-aromatic and cation-aromatic interactions. Dashed purple lines represent the formation of hydrogen bonds, and dashed blue lines indicate metal-ligation interactions.

## 6.3 SOLAPSONE AS AN AMYLOID ANTI-AGGREGANT

Given the success of solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> binding to  $\beta$ -amyloid, solapsone was examined by itself as a potential inhibitor of A $\beta$  aggregations. Both gas phase and solution phase optimizations were performed to determine solapsone's ability to bind to the  $\beta$ -amyloid protein.

### 6.3.1 GAS PHASE OPTIMIZATIONS OF SOLAPSONE WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID

Gas phase minimizations were performed for solapsone interacting with five different conformers of A $\beta$  (the 1AMB and 1AMC conformers are nearly identical, so only one was used) using the CHARMM22 force field in the Molecular Operating Environment [48, 87]. Each system was set up such that a combination of two of the functional groups on solapsone were oriented towards two of the amino acid side chains on A $\beta$  in one of three regions: **HHQK**, **LVFF** and overlapping both **HHQK** and **LVFF**. The functional groups were selected such that a combination of one group from each half of the molecule was selected, or one group from the side along with the central SO<sub>2</sub> group.

For these optimizations, the lowest energy structure identified from the systematic conformational search performed in section 6.1.1 was selected for use. The energies of the A $\beta$  conformers, measured with a constrained protein backbone, are given in Appendix 6, and the energies of the optimized solapsone molecule are given in the following table.

**Table 6.27: The gas phase energies of solapsone**

	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$
Solapsone	81.13	40.56	20.81

Using these energies, equations 6.4-6.6 were used to calculate the binding energies for the optimized systems.

$$\Delta E_{\text{tot}} = E_{\text{tot}} - E_{\text{A}\beta} - E_{\text{Solapstone}} \quad (6.4)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}} = E_{\text{vdw}} - E_{\text{vdwA}\beta} - E_{\text{vdwSolapstone}} \quad (6.5)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{ele}} = E_{\text{ele}} - E_{\text{eleA}\beta} - E_{\text{eleSolapstone}} \quad (6.6)$$

The total,  $\Delta E_{\text{tot}}$ , van der Waals,  $\Delta E_{\text{vdw}}$ , and electrostatic energies,  $\Delta E_{\text{ele}}$ , were calculated by subtracting the energies of the individually optimized A $\beta$  proteins and the solapstone molecule from the energies of the minimized protein-solapstone systems.

### 6.3.2 RESULTS OF THE GAS PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF SOLAPSTONE AND $\beta$ -AMYLOID

The minimization of solapstone with five different conformations of  $\beta$ -amyloid resulted in a massive number of systems. From these systems, one fifth of the results for each of the three regions of A $\beta$  were selected for solution phase optimizations, these are summarized in the following tables. Each table shows the initial and final orientation of solapstone, with the functional groups identified according to Figure 6.4. The amino acids are represented by their three letter abbreviations, and the different binding interactions are noted by colour: orange, green and blue are used for hydrogen bonds, cation- $\pi$ , and  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions; yellow, purple and lime green are used for interactions with the -NH-, C=O, and -CH- of the protein backbone; indigo is used for interactions occurring with the -CH<sub>2</sub>- chain of the amino acids.

**Table 6.28: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQK region of the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His6	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Phe20	Lys28	His6	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Phe20
Initial Orientation				LB1			RS1							CS			LS1		
Final Orientation	LS2	LS1	LS1	RB1			RS1	RS1			RS1	RS1	RS1	RB1			LS1	LS2	LS2
	LS1			LB1			RS2							LB1				LS1	LS1
	LB2			LS1										RNH				LB1	
				LS1										RS1					
Total =	-86.46 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-155.80 kcal/mol						-70.53 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-139.87 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	75.57 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-20.27 kcal/mol						74.46 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-21.38 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-327.17 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-136.28 kcal/mol						-323.94 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-133.04 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation				LS1			RB1							RB1			LB1		
Final Orientation			LB2	LB1	LS1		RS1	RS1				RS1	RS1	RB1			LS1		
				LS1			RS2	LB1						CS			LS2		
				LS2				LS1						RS2			RB1		
														RS1			CS		
Total =	-85.25 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-154.59 kcal/mol						-66.62 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-135.96 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	74.78 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-21.06 kcal/mol						77.33 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-18.51 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-328.79 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-137.90 kcal/mol						-315.20 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-124.31 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation				RB1			LS2							RS1			LB1		
Final Orientation			RS1	LS1	RS2		LS2			LB2				RS2			LS2	CS	LB1
			RS2	RB1			LS1							RS1			LB2	LB1	LNH
				RNH										RB1					LS1
				RS2															LB2
Total =	-81.42 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-150.77 kcal/mol						-62.14 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-131.48 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	77.39 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-18.45 kcal/mol						77.90 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-17.94 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-330.03 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-139.14 kcal/mol						-316.21 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-125.32 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation				LB1			CS										LB2		
Final Orientation				LS1			LB1	RS1	RB1	RS2			RS2	LB1	RB2		LB2	LS2	LB2
							LS1		RS2					LS2			LS2		
							LS2		RS1					LS1					
Total =	-67.71 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-137.05 kcal/mol						-60.38 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-129.72 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	74.67 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-21.17 kcal/mol						73.27 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-22.57 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-311.42 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-120.53 kcal/mol						-306.12 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-115.23 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation				RS2			LS2							CS			RB1		
Final Orientation				RS2			LS2	RS2	LB2			LB2	LB2	LB1	LS1		RS1	RB1	RS1
				RS1			LS1		LS2			LS2		LS1					
														CS					
Total =	-64.12 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-133.46 kcal/mol						-62.55 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-131.89 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	81.84 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-14.00 kcal/mol						79.22 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-16.62 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-312.53 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-121.63 kcal/mol						-313.27 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-122.38 kcal/mol				

**Table 6.29: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the LVFF region of the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	His13	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Val24	Lys28
Initial Orientation																	
Final Orientation	RS1	LS1		RS1	RS2				RB1	LS2	LS1	LB2				RB2	RS2
					RB1				RS1	LS1		LB2			RS2		
					RS1			CS	RB1						RB2		
					LB1				LNH						RB2		
					LS1												
					LS2												
Total =	-59.60 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-128.94 kcal/mol					-56.08 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-125.42 kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	68.57 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-27.27 kcal/mol					77.35 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-18.49 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-303.53 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-112.63 kcal/mol					-308.00 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-117.10 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation						RB2	LB2					LB1					
Final Orientation				LB2						LS2	LS1	LS1					RS1
				LB2						LS1							
										LB1							
Total =	22.73 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-46.61 kcal/mol					-52.87 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-122.21 kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	86.93 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-8.91 kcal/mol					83.57 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-12.27 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-235.18 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-44.29 kcal/mol					-308.18 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-117.28 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation								LB2	RB2			LB2					
Final Orientation		RS2			LS2	RS2		LB2	RS2		RS2	LB2					LS1
					LNH	RB2											LS2
					LB1												
					RS2												
Total =	-52.56 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-121.90 kcal/mol					-51.46 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-120.80 kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	79.19 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-16.65 kcal/mol					84.51 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-11.33 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-297.39 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-106.50 kcal/mol					-305.46 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-114.57 kcal/mol			

**Table 6.30: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Val24	Gly25	Lys28
Initial Orientation			RB1				LB1							
Final Orientation	RS2	RS2	RB1				LB1			LS1				LS2
			RS1											
			RS2											
Total =	-83.43 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-152.77 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	75.19 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-20.65 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-329.61 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-138.71 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation			RS2				LB2							
Final Orientation	RB2		RB1			RS2	LS2			LS2	LS2		LB2	LS1
			RB2								LB2			LB2
			RNH											
Total =	-74.11 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-143.45 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	72.86 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-22.98 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-318.46 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-127.57 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation			LS1				RB1							
Final Orientation		LS1	LS1							RS1				RS2
			LS2											RS1
Total =	-72.21 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-141.55 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	79.44 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-16.40 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-323.23 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-132.34 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation			LB1				RB1							
Final Orientation		LS1	LB1				RB1			RS1	RS1			RS1
			LS1											RS2
			LS2											
Total =	-70.35 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-139.69 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	76.49 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-19.34 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-315.76 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-124.87 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation			RB2											
Final Orientation		RB2	RS2	RS2		LS2	RS2						LB2	
			RS1			LB1	RB1						LB1	
						LNH	LB1							
Total =	-68.31 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-137.65 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	73.38 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-22.46 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-309.77 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-118.88 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation			LS2											
Final Orientation			LS1			LS2	LS2						RB1	
			LS2				LS1						CS	RS1
							LB1						RS2	
Total =	-64.80 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-134.14 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	78.01 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-17.83 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-314.12 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-123.23 kcal/mol									

**Table 6.30: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Val24	Lys28
Initial Orientation				LS2			RB1						
Final Orientation		LB2	LS2	LS2			RS2 CS LB1			RS2		CS	RS1 RS2
Total =	-62.36 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-131.70 kcal/mol								
Van der Waals =	77.45 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-18.39 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =	-308.69 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elic} =$	-117.80 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation				LB1						RB2			
Final Orientation	LS1	LS1		LB1 RB1 LB1 LNH LS1		LB2 RS1	RNH RB1			RB2 RB2 RS1			
Total	-62.08 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-131.42 kcal/mol								
Van der Waals	71.44 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-24.40 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic	-305.99 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elic} =$	-115.10 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation				RS1			LB1						
Final Orientation		RS1 RS2		RB2 RS1 RNH RS1	RS1		LS1 LB1			LS1			LS2
Total	-59.01 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-128.35 kcal/mol								
Van der Waals	70.65 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-25.19 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic	-300.95 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elic} =$	-110.06 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation				RB1						LB2			
Final Orientation				RB2 RS1 RNH RB1		RB2	LS1			LS1 LB2			LS2 LB2
Total	-55.20 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-124.54 kcal/mol								
Van der Waals	76.56 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-19.28 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic	-310.76 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elic} =$	-119.86 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation				LS2			RB2						
Final Orientation				LS2 LB1	RS2		LS2 LNH LB1	RB1 RS2 RB2	RS2		RB2		
Total	-54.86 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-124.20 kcal/mol								
Van der Waals	80.19 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-15.65 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic	-303.44 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elic} =$	-112.55 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation				LS2						RB1			
Final Orientation				LS2 LB1	RS2		LS2 LNH LB2	RB1 RS2		RS2			
Total	-54.79 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-124.13 kcal/mol								
Van der Waals	84.03 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-11.81 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic	-309.00 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elic} =$	-118.11 kcal/mol								



**Table 6.30: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Val24	Lys28
Initial Orientation				CS				RB1						
Final Orientation				LB1			LS2	RS2			RS2			RB2
				LS1				RB1						
Total =	-78.98 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-148.32 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	77.21 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-18.63 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-323.94 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-133.05 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation								RS2						
Final Orientation				RB2			RS2	RB1			LS2			LS1
				RS1			RB1							LS2
				RNH										
Total =	-73.59 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-142.93 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	71.76 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-24.08 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-314.61 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-123.72 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation				LB2				RB2						
Final Orientation	LB2	LB2		LB2			LB1	RB2			RS1	RB2		RS1
				LB1			LNH				RNH			
				LNH			LS1							
Total =	-71.30 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-140.64 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	69.88 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-25.95 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-309.26 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-118.37 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation							LS1	RB1						
Final Orientation				LS1			LS2	LS1			LB1			RS2
							LS1				CS			RS1
Total =	-69.14 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-138.48 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	78.19 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-17.65 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-317.42 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-126.53 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation								RB1						
Final Orientation				RB2			RS2	LS2			LS2			LS1
														LS2
Total =	-68.14 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-137.48 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	77.03 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-18.81 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-315.12 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-124.22 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation				LS2							RB2			
Final Orientation				LS2			LB1	LB1			RB2		RB2	RS2
				LS1			LS2				RS2		RS2	RB2
											RB1			
											CS			
Total =	-63.76 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-133.10 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	72.92 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-22.92 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-306.56 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-115.67 kcal/mol									

**Table 6.30: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Vall8	Phe19	Phe20	Lys28
Initial Orientation					CS				LB1	
Final Orientation		RS1			RB1				CS	LS2
		RS2			RS2				LB1	
					CS				LS2	
					RS1					
Total =	-62.21 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-131.55 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =	78.29 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-17.55 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-312.41 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-121.52 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation		LS1							RB1	
Final Orientation		LB2			LS1	LS1			CS	RS2
		LS2			LS2					RS1
		LS1								
Total =	-59.24 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-128.58 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =	82.18 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-13.66 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-312.37 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-121.48 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation					RB2				LB1	
Final Orientation	RB2	RB2			RB1	RS1			CS	
		RS1			LS2					
					LB1					
Total =	-56.67 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-126.02 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =	77.54 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-18.30 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-305.97 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-115.08 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation		CS							LB2	
Final Orientation		RS2	RS2		LS2	RB2	RB2		LB2	
		LB1							LS2	
		CS								
		RB1								
Total =	-55.19 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-124.53 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =	79.66 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-16.18 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-305.54 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-114.65 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation		RS1							LB1	
Final Orientation		RS1			RS1	RS1			LS1	LS1
		RS2							LB1	
Total =	-54.44 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-123.78 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =	85.48 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-10.36 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-306.72 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-115.82 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation		RS2							LB2	
Final Orientation		RS2			RS2	RS2			LS2	
		RS1			LS1				LB2	
Total =	-62.47 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-131.81 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =	82.02 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-13.82 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-121.07 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	69.82 kcal/mol					

**Table 6.31: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQK region of the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Ser8	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe20	Ala21	Ile31	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Ile31
Initial Orientation				LS2	RS2										LB2	RB2				
Final Orientation	RS2	LS1		LS2	RS2			LS2				LB2	RS1	LS2	LB1	RB2		LB2	LS2	RB2
		LB1		LS1	RB2							LS2			LNH			LS2		
		CS													LS2					
		RB1																		
Total =	102.54 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-164.25 kcal/mol								82.08 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-184.70 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	112.36 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-19.51 kcal/mol								107.93 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-23.93 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-257.90 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-148.17 kcal/mol								-275.64 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-165.92 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation				LB1	RB2										CS	LS2				
Final Orientation		RS2		LB1	RB2		LB2	RB1		LB2		RB1	LB2	RS2	RB1	LS2		RS2	LS2	LS1
		RB2		RB1			LS2	RS1				RS1	LS2	RB2	RS2					LB1
				LS2											LS2					
															LB1					
Total =	82.45 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-184.33 kcal/mol								85.31 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-181.47 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	107.24 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-24.62 kcal/mol								108.60 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-23.27 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-272.63 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-162.90 kcal/mol								-268.43 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-158.70 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation				LB1			RB2								RB1	LS2				
Final Orientation		LS2	RB2	LB1	LS2		RB2	LS2					LB2	RS2	RS2	LB2		RS2	LS2	LS1
		LB2		LB1			RS2						LS2	RB2	LS2	LS2				
				RS2			RB1								RB1					
				LS2																
Total =	86.32 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-180.46 kcal/mol								87.59 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-179.20 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	111.15 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-20.71 kcal/mol								109.61 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-22.25 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-272.26 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-162.54 kcal/mol								-271.81 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-162.08 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation				RB2	LB1										CS	RS1				
Final Orientation		RB1		RB2	LB1			LB2	LB2		LB2		RS1	LS1	RS1	RS1			RS1	RS2
		RNH		RS2	LB1			RS2						LNH	RB2					
		RS1												LB1						
		RB2												RS1						
Total =	87.92 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-178.87 kcal/mol								88.35 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-178.43 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	105.74 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-26.12 kcal/mol								115.52 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-16.35 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-267.35 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-157.63 kcal/mol								-273.13 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-163.40 kcal/mol				

**Table 6.31: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQK region of the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Ly16	Leu17	Ala30	Ile31	Met35	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Ala21	Ile31	
Initial Orientation				LB2		RB2						RB1	LB2							
Final Orientation	LB1 LNH	RB2 RS2 RNH RB1	RS2 RB1 LB1 LS2	LB2 LS2		RB2 RS2	LS2				LB1 LS2 LB2	LB1 LB1 LS1 LS2	LS2		RB2 RS2	LS2				LS1
Total =	89.20 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-177.59 kcal/mol							90.05 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-176.73 kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	109.49 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-22.37 kcal/mol							111.04 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-20.82 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-265.45 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Elec} =$	-155.72 kcal/mol							-267.29 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Elec} =$	-157.56 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation			RS2	CS								RB1	LS1							
Final Orientation	LS2 RS2 RB2		RS2	LB1 LS2 LS1				CS RB1 RS1			RB1 CS LB1 LS1	RB1 RB1 RS1 RNH LS1	LS2 LS1			LS1				
Total =	91.68 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-175.11 kcal/mol							92.27 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-174.51 kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	102.88 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-28.99 kcal/mol							108.97 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-22.89 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-260.36 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Elec} =$	-150.63 kcal/mol							-266.00 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Elec} =$	-156.28 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation			CS	RB1																
Final Orientation	LS1		LB1 LS2 LS1 RB1	RS1	LS2	RB1 RS1	CS RB1 RS2	RS2			LS1	LS2 LB2 LS2	RB1 RB1 LS2 RNH RS2			LS2	RS2 RB2	RB2		
Total =	94.32 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-172.47 kcal/mol							97.58 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-169.21 kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	109.47 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-22.39 kcal/mol							112.97 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-18.89 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-265.25 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Elec} =$	-155.52 kcal/mol							-261.45 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Elec} =$	-151.72 kcal/mol						

**Table 6.32: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the LVFF region of the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Arg5	Ser8	Tyr10	Val2	His13	His14	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Glu22	Ala30	Ile31
Initial Orientation								LB2							
Final Orientation	RS2		LB2		LB2	LB1		LS2		RS2					
			LS2		LS2	LS2				RB2					
						RB1									
Total =	94.30 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-172.49 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	110.92 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-20.94 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-264.34 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-154.62 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation								LB2							
Final Orientation				LB1	LB2		LS2	LB2		RB2		LS2			
					LS1		RB1			RB2					
					LNH		RNH								
					LB1		RS2								
Total =	109.48 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-157.31 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	113.85 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-18.02 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-252.91 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-143.18 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation								RB2							
Final Orientation			RS2		LB1	RB2	LS2	RS2			LB2				RB1
					RB1	RS2					LB2				RNH
					RS2						LS2				
Total =	96.27 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-170.52 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	110.67 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-21.19 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-261.60 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-151.88 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation								RB2	LB2						
Final Orientation	LB2	LB1	RB1		RB2	RB1		RS2	LB2						RS2
	LS1		RS1			LB1		RB2	LB2						RB2
Total =	115.98 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-150.81 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	110.77 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-21.09 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-242.87 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-133.14 kcal/mol									

**Table 6.33: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Arg5	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Glu22	Gly29	Ala30	Ile31
Initial Orientation					RB2				LB2						
Final Orientation	LB2 LS1	RS2 RB2		RS2	RB1 LB1 RS2			RS2	LB2 LS2						RS1
Total =	77.70 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$		-189.09 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	103.79 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$		-28.07 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-272.46 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$		-162.73 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation					LB1				RB2						
Final Orientation	RB2 RS1	LB2 LS2		LB2 LS2	LB1 LS2 RB1 RS2			LS2	RS2 RB2			RB2			
Total =	94.00 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$		-172.79 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	106.26 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$		-25.60 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-263.29 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$		-153.56 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation					RB2										
Final Orientation		RS2		LS2 LB1 RB1 RS2	RB2 RS2		LB2 LS2	RS2			LB2 LB2				RB1 RNH
Total =	98.66 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$		-168.12 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	105.25 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$		-26.62 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-252.76 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$		-143.03 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation					RB2										
Final Orientation			RB2	RS1 RB2			LB1 LS2 LNH RB1 RNH RS1 RB2	RS1		LB2 LNH	LB1 RB1				RS1
Total =	102.45 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$		-164.34 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	106.46 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$		-25.40 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-252.08 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$		-142.36 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation					CS										
Final Orientation				RB1 RS2 RS1 LB1			LS2 RS2	RS2 RS1			RB2 RB2		RB2	RB2 RS1	
Total =	106.81 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$		-159.98 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	116.91 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$		-14.95 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-266.85 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$		-157.12 kcal/mol									

**Table 6.33: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Arg5	His6	Glu1	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Glu22	Lys28	Ile31
Initial Orientation					RS2							LB1			
Final Orientation					RB2			RS1				CS		LB2	
					RS2			RS2						LS2	
Total =	110.32 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} = -156.46$ kcal/mol										
Van der Waals =	117.20 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} = -14.67$ kcal/mol										
Electrostatic =	-264.49 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} = -154.76$ kcal/mol										
Initial Orientation						RB1				LB1					
Final Orientation	LS2					RB1			RS1	LS1				LS1	RS1
	LS1					RS1									
						RS2									
Total =	113.29 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} = -153.50$ kcal/mol										
Van der Waals =	115.02 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} = -16.84$ kcal/mol										
Electrostatic =	-251.51 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} = -141.78$ kcal/mol										
Initial Orientation					LS2									RB2	
Final Orientation				LS2	LS2			LS2			RNH			CS	
					LS1			LB1			RS1				
								RB1							
								RNH							
								RS1							
Total =	115.77 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} = -151.01$ kcal/mol										
Van der Waals =	110.52 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} = -21.34$ kcal/mol										
Electrostatic =	-242.45 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} = -132.73$ kcal/mol										
Initial Orientation					RB2							LB2			
Final Orientation		LB2			RB2			LS2				LS1			
					RS2			LNH				LNH			
								LB1							
Total =	112.03 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} = -154.75$ kcal/mol										
Van der Waals =	114.10 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} = -17.76$ kcal/mol										
Electrostatic =	-247.53 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} = -137.80$ kcal/mol										
Initial Orientation					LS1									RB2	
Final Orientation			RB1	LB1	LS1			LB1						RB2	
				CS				RB1						RB2	
								RS2							
Total =	115.60 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} = -151.19$ kcal/mol										
Van der Waals =	118.51 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} = -13.36$ kcal/mol										
Electrostatic =	-254.84 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} = -145.11$ kcal/mol										

**Table 6.33: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Arg5	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Gly29	Ala30	Ile31	Ile32	Met35
Initial Orientation			RB2					LB2								
Final Orientation		RS1	RS2	LB1 RB1 LNH			RS2				LB2			RS2 RB2	LS2	
Total =		92.36 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$												
Van der Waals =		111.48 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$												
Electrostatic =		-269.37 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$												
Initial Orientation				LB2				RB2								
Final Orientation	RB2 RS2	LS2	LB2	RB1 LB1 LS2			LS2	RB2						LB1 LNH LB2		
Total =		98.28 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$												
Van der Waals =		110.56 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$												
Electrostatic =		-255.87 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$												
Initial Orientation				LB2				RB2								
Final Orientation	RB2	LB2 LS2	LB2 LS2	LB1 LS2 RB1 RS2			LS2	RB2						LB1		CS
Total =		100.46 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$												
Van der Waals =		106.94 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$												
Electrostatic =		-262.13 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$												
Initial Orientation				LB2						RB2						
Final Orientation		LB1 LNH LS1	RB1 LB2 LB2				LS2					RB2	RB2 RS2	LS2		
Total =		94.41 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$												
Van der Waals =		109.97 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$												
Electrostatic =		-256.25 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$												
Initial Orientation						RS1					LB2					
Final Orientation			LB1 LS1 LS2			RB2 RNH LB1 LNH LS1	LS1		RB2	LS1						
Total =		109.03 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$												
Van der Waals =		107.90 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$												
Electrostatic =		-256.69 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$												



**Table 6.34: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQK region of the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation	RS2	LB2				RS2	LS2		
Final Orientation	RB1	LS1	RS2			RS1	LS2		
	RB1	LS2				RS2	LS1		
	RS2								
	RS1								
Total =	31.01 kcal/mol					34.01 kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	88.68 kcal/mol					94.79 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-278.35 kcal/mol					-268.75 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-141.83 kcal/mol					-138.83 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-13.01 kcal/mol					-6.90 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-129.62 kcal/mol					-120.01 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation	RB2	LB2				CS	RS1		
Final Orientation	LS2	LS2	LB2			LB1	RS1		
	RB1					LS2	RS2		
	RNH					LS1			
	RB2								
Total =	45.51 kcal/mol					46.29 kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	85.74 kcal/mol					92.47 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-262.02 kcal/mol					-267.83 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-127.33 kcal/mol					-126.55 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-15.95 kcal/mol					-9.22 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-113.28 kcal/mol					-119.09 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation	LS2	RS2				CS	LS2		
Final Orientation	LB1	CS	CS		RS1	LB1	LS2		
	LS2	RB1				LS2	LS1		
		RS1				LS1			
		RS2				CS			
						RS2			
Total =	46.42 kcal/mol					49.63 kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	87.71 kcal/mol					89.96 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-261.28 kcal/mol					-263.92 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-126.42 kcal/mol					-123.21 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-13.99 kcal/mol					-11.74 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-112.55 kcal/mol					-115.19 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation	LS2	CS							
Final Orientation	LS2	LB1			RS1				
		LS2			RS2				
		RB1							
		RS2							
Total =	49.67 kcal/mol								
Van der Waals =	90.52 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =	-261.68 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-123.17 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-11.17 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-112.94 kcal/mol								

**Table 6.35: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the LVFF region of the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His14	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Val24	Lys28	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Val24	Lys28
Initial Orientation			LB2		RB2									RB1		LB1		
Final Orientation	LS1	LB1 LNH	LB1 LB2			RB1 CS LB1	RB2	RB2 RS2		RB1 RNH RS1	RS1		LB1	RB1 RS1				
Total =	55.79 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-117.05 kcal/mol					83.39 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-89.45 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =	79.39 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{VdW} =$	-22.30 kcal/mol					83.41 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{VdW} =$	-18.28 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-239.52 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-90.79 kcal/mol					-209.63 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-60.89 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation					LB1											LB1		
Final Orientation	RS2		RB2 RS2 RNH RB1		LB1				LB2			LB2	LB2			LB1 LB1 RB1	RS1	RS1
Total =	83.54 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-89.30 kcal/mol					83.58 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-89.26 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =	91.23 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{VdW} =$	-10.46 kcal/mol					84.59 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{VdW} =$	-17.10 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-238.55 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-89.82 kcal/mol					-228.30 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-79.57 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation					LB2											LB1	RB2	
Final Orientation	RS2	RB1	RS2		LB2 LB2 LS2				LS2	LS2			LB1 LB1	RB2 RS2				
Total =	85.42 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-87.42 kcal/mol					86.05 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-86.79 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =	90.61 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{VdW} =$	-11.08 kcal/mol					88.26 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{VdW} =$	-13.43 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-224.83 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-76.09 kcal/mol					-210.98 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-62.24 kcal/mol					

**Table 6.36: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20
Initial Orientation	RB2					LB1			RS1				LB2			
Final Orientation	RS1	LS2	RB1		LS2	LB1			RNH	LB1			LS1	LS1		
	RB2	LB1			LNH	CS			RS1	RB1						
		RB1			LB1				RB2	LS1						
		RB2							RNH							
									RS2							
Total =	44.20 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-128.64 kcal/mol				45.41 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-127.43 kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	79.61 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{vdw} =$	-22.09 kcal/mol				83.15 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{vdw} =$	-18.54 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-260.72 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elec} =$	-111.98 kcal/mol				-250.32 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elec} =$	-101.59 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation			RB1			LB2			LB1							RB2
Final Orientation	RS2	RS2			LS2				RB1	LB1		RS1	RB2			RB2
	RS1	RB1			LB2				LB1	LB1			RS1			
		LS2							LS1	RB1						
										LNH						
										LB2						
Total =	51.89 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-120.95 kcal/mol				52.73 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-120.11 kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	90.68 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{vdw} =$	-11.01 kcal/mol				79.17 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{vdw} =$	-22.52 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-263.69 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elec} =$	-114.95 kcal/mol				-250.91 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elec} =$	-102.17 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation			CS			RB1				LB2						RB2
Final Orientation	LS2	LS1	LS1			RS1			LB2	RB1						RB2
	LS1	LB1							LS2	LS2						
		RB1							LNH	LB1						
										RNH						
Total =	54.84 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-118.00 kcal/mol				55.58 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-117.26 kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	89.51 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{vdw} =$	-12.18 kcal/mol				83.97 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{vdw} =$	-17.72 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-259.82 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elec} =$	-111.08 kcal/mol				-254.38 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elec} =$	-105.64 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation						LB2				RB1						LB1
Final Orientation	RB1	RB2	LS1			LB2			RS1	RB1						LS1
	RNH	LS1							RS2	RS1						
	RS1															
Total =	56.32 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-116.52 kcal/mol				56.78 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-116.06 kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	83.38 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{vdw} =$	-18.31 kcal/mol				90.71 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{vdw} =$	-10.98 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-257.31 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elec} =$	-108.58 kcal/mol				-255.38 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elec} =$	-106.65 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation			RB2			LB1			RS2							LB2
Final Orientation	RB2	RB1				LS2			RB2	LS2						LS2
	RNH	RNH				LNH			RB2							LB2
	RS1	RS2				LB1			RS2							
Total =	57.99 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-114.85 kcal/mol				58.36 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-114.48 kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	81.15 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{vdw} =$	-20.54 kcal/mol				91.72 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{vdw} =$	-9.97 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-242.98 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elec} =$	-94.24 kcal/mol				-244.10 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elec} =$	-95.36 kcal/mol			

**Table 6.36: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Val2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	
Initial Orientation	LB1				RB2					RS1								LB2
Final Orientation	RB1	RB1			RB2			RB2	LS1	LB1		LB2		RB1				
	LB1	RNH								RB1								
	LNH	LB1								RS1								
	LS1	LNH								RNH								
		LB2																
Total =	58.81 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-114.03 kcal/mol			59.38 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-113.46 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =	83.76 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-17.93 kcal/mol			86.95 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-14.74 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-252.23 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-103.49 kcal/mol			-253.90 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-105.16 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation		RB2			LB1					LS2								RB2
Final Orientation		LB2	LB1		LS1	CS			LB2	LS2								RB2
		RNH	RB1		LB1				LS2									
		RS1							LS1									
Total =	61.17 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-111.67 kcal/mol			64.94 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-107.90 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =	86.68 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-15.01 kcal/mol			88.58 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-13.11 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-246.66 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-97.92 kcal/mol			-247.34 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-98.61 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation		RB1			LB1					LS2								RB1
Final Orientation	RS1	CS	CS		LB1				LS1	LB1								RS2
	RS2	RB1			CS					LS2								
		RS1								LS1								
Total =	66.15 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-106.69 kcal/mol			67.15 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-105.69 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =	85.73 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-15.97 kcal/mol			90.63 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-11.06 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-242.59 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-93.85 kcal/mol			-245.26 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-96.53 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation		RS1			LB1					LB2								RB1
Final Orientation	RS1	RS1	CS		LB1				LS1	LB2	RB1							RS1
										LB2	RB1							
										LS1	LB1							
										LNH	RNH							
										LNH								
Total =	67.18 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-105.66 kcal/mol			70.63 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-102.21 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =	93.08 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-8.61 kcal/mol			81.86 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-19.83 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-236.65 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-87.91 kcal/mol			-240.31 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-91.58 kcal/mol					

**Table 6.37: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQK region of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Phe20	His6	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Phe20
Initial Orientation				CS	LS2								LS2	RS2				
Final Orientation	LS2	LS2	RS2	RB1 LB1 LB1 LS1	LS1		RS1 RS2	LS1			RS2		LB1 LS2 LS1 RB1	RB2 RS2		LS2	LS2 RB2	LB2 LS2
Total =		-12.90 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-146.95 kcal/mol					-10.19 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-144.24 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =		75.90 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-20.37 kcal/mol					70.93 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-25.35 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =		-305.24 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-125.79 kcal/mol					-295.20 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-115.75 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation				LB1	RB2								LB1	RB1				
Final Orientation	RS2	RS2		LB1 RB1 RB1 LS2	RB2 RS2		LS2 LS1	LS2	LB2 LS2				LB1 LS2 LS1 RB1 RS1	RS1		LS2	LS2 LB2	LB2 LS2
Total =		-4.98 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-139.03 kcal/mol					-4.18 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-138.23 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =		68.42 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-27.85 kcal/mol					75.97 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-20.30 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =		-293.09 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-113.65 kcal/mol					-292.82 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-113.37 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation				RB1			LS2						RB1	LS2				
Final Orientation	RS1			RB1 RS1 RS2 RB2	RS2		LS2 LS1	RS2				RS2	RB1 LS2 LB1 RNH RS2	LB2 LS2		RS1 RS2	LS2 LB1 CS	
Total =		-1.70 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-135.75 kcal/mol					1.03 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-133.02 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =		78.30 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-17.97 kcal/mol					76.12 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-20.15 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =		-301.33 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-121.88 kcal/mol					-294.24 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-114.80 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation				RS2	LB2								CS			RB2		
Final Orientation			RS2	RB1 RS2 LB1 LS2	LS2 RB2		RS2 RS1	CS LB1 LS2		LS2 LB2		RS2	RB1 CS RS1 RS2			RS1 RS2		
Total =		1.45 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-132.60 kcal/mol					2.81 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-131.24 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =		75.24 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-21.03 kcal/mol					78.98 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-17.29 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =		-290.00 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-110.55 kcal/mol					-292.32 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-112.87 kcal/mol				

**Table 6.37: The gas phase results of solapsone interacting with the HHQK region of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Arg5	His6	Gly9	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Phe20	
Initial Orientation						CS			RS2				RB1	LB2					
Final Orientation	LS2	LS2	LB1		CS	RB1			RS2				RB1	LB2		RS1	LB2	RB2	
			LS1	CS	RS2	RS1							LB1					RS1	
						CS							LB1						
													RS1						
													LNH						
Total =		6.90 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-127.15 kcal/mol						10.05 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-124.01 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =		78.72 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-17.55 kcal/mol						76.23 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-20.05 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =		-294.45 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-115.00 kcal/mol						-284.80 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-105.35 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation						RB2	LB2						LS2	RB2					
Final Orientation				LB2	RB2	RB1	LB2		RB2	LS2	RS2	RS2	RS2	LB1	RS2		LS2		
						LS2	LS2		RS2				LB1						
						LB1							RS2						
						RNH													
						RS2													
Total =		13.13 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-120.92 kcal/mol						15.76 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-118.29 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =		82.50 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-13.77 kcal/mol						78.62 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-17.66 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =		-289.40 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-109.95 kcal/mol						-281.18 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-101.73 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation						CS			LB1				LB1	RS2					
Final Orientation		RS1	RB1		LS1	LB1			LS2				LB1	RS2		LS2			
						CS			LS1				LS2						
						LS1							RB1						
Total =		16.14 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-117.91 kcal/mol						16.14 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-117.91 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =		82.95 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-13.32 kcal/mol						81.20 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-15.07 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =		-290.21 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-110.77 kcal/mol						-291.02 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-111.57 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation							LB2		RB2										
Final Orientation			LB1	LS1		RB1	LB2		RB2										
			LNH						RS2										
			LS1																
Total =		21.10 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-112.95 kcal/mol														
Van der Waals =		82.65 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-13.62 kcal/mol														
Electrostatic =		-280.51 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-101.07 kcal/mol														

**Table 6.38: The gas phase results of solapsone interacting with the LVFF region of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Val12	His13	His14	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	His13	His14	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Asp23
Initial Orientation					RB1			LB1				RB1				LB2
Final Orientation	LS1	LB1	RS1	LS2	CS			LS2	LB1	RS2	LS2	RS2				LS2
		LS1		LS1	RB1				LS1		LS1	RB1				LB2
		LNH							CS							
		RB1							LS2							
		RS1														
Total =		1.58 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-132.48 kcal/mol				12.50 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-121.55 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =		74.94 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-21.34 kcal/mol				73.70 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-22.57 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =		-287.03 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-107.59 kcal/mol				-282.13 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-102.68 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation					RB2			LB1								
Final Orientation	LS2	LS2		LS1	RS2			CS	RS1		LB1			LB1	RB1	
					LNH			LB1			LS1			LS1	RB1	
					LNH			RB1			LNH			LB1	RS2	
											RB1					
											RS1					
Total =		29.68 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-104.38 kcal/mol				37.83 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-96.22 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =		77.51 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-18.76 kcal/mol				75.40 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-20.87 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =		-267.83 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-88.38 kcal/mol				-261.18 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-81.73 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation					LB1			RB1								
Final Orientation		LB1		CS	LB1			RB1								
		CS														
		LS1														
Total =		75.19 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-58.86 kcal/mol											
Van der Waals =		83.10 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-13.17 kcal/mol											
Electrostatic =		-222.94 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-43.50 kcal/mol											

**Table 6.39: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20		Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	
Initial Orientation					LS2																		
Final Orientation	LS2	LS2		RB1 LB1 LS2	LS1		RS2		CS LS1						RS1 RS2		LS2 LB2	LB1 RS2 LS2			LS2 LB2		RB2 RS2
Total =		-3.79 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-137.84 kcal/mol								1.71 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-132.35 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =		77.30 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-18.97 kcal/mol								75.51 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-20.76 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =		-298.03 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-118.58 kcal/mol								-289.47 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-110.03 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation							LB2																
Final Orientation			LS2	LS1 LS2 LB2			RB1 LS1			RB2 RB2			RS2	LS2	LB1 LB1 RS2 LB2 RB1 LS2			LB1 LB1 RS2 LB2			RB1 RB1		
Total =		4.93 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-129.12 kcal/mol								7.28 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-126.77 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =		77.43 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-18.84 kcal/mol								75.28 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-20.99 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =		-290.83 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-111.38 kcal/mol								-286.57 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-107.12 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation																							
Final Orientation				RB1 LS2	LS2		RS2		CS LS1						LS2 LB1 RS2 LB1 LS2			LB2 LB2 RB1					LB2 LS2
Total =		7.46 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-126.59 kcal/mol								8.08 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-125.98 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =		81.90 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-14.37 kcal/mol								77.12 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-19.15 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =		-289.93 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-110.48 kcal/mol								-284.23 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-104.78 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation							RB1	LB2															
Final Orientation			RB1	LB2 LS2 LB1			RS2 LS2	LB2 LS2		RS2	LS1				CS RB1 RS2 LB1 LS1			LB1 RS1					LB1 LS1
Total =		8.52 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-125.53 kcal/mol								9.38 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-124.67 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =		76.03 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-20.24 kcal/mol								83.75 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-12.52 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =		-280.89 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-101.44 kcal/mol								-293.75 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-114.30 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation																							
Final Orientation		RS1		LS2 LS1 LB1	RS2 RS2		LS2	LS2 RS2			LB2 LB2 LS2			RB1	LB1 LS1			RB1 RB2 LS1 LNH LB1 RNH RS1		LS1		RS1	LB2 LB2
Total =		9.75 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-124.30 kcal/mol								9.79 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-124.26 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =		79.30 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-16.98 kcal/mol								66.25 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-30.02 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =		-285.87 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-106.42 kcal/mol								-285.95 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-106.51 kcal/mol							

**Table 6.39: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Vall2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Vall8	Phe19	Phe20	Vall2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Vall8	Phe19	Phe20
Initial Orientation		RB1				LB1								RB1				LB1
Final Orientation		RB1			LS1	LS1				RS1	RS1			LB1				LS1
		RS2									RS2			RS2				
		LB1									RB2							
		LS1																
Total =		10.20 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-123.85 kcal/mol				13.81 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-120.24 kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =		84.05 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-12.23 kcal/mol				81.13 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-15.14 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =		-293.05 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-113.60 kcal/mol				-285.25 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-105.80 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation			LS1						RB2									
Final Orientation			LS1		RS1	LB1			RB2	RS2	LB2			RS2	LB2			LB1
			LB1			LNH			RS1		LS2			RS1	LB2			LS1
			LS1											RS2				
														LS2				
Total =		14.57 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-119.48 kcal/mol				16.13 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-117.93 kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =		75.26 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-21.01 kcal/mol				76.82 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-19.45 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =		-276.30 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-96.85 kcal/mol				-280.83 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-101.39 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation							RB2											
Final Orientation		LS2		RS2	LS2	LS2	RB1		LB2		LS1		RS1	LB1				RB2
		LB1					RB2							LB1				RB2
		LS1												RS1				RB2
		LS2					RB2							LNH				RB2
														LNH				RB2
														LS1				LB2
Total =		16.52 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-117.54 kcal/mol				16.92 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-117.13 kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =		73.67 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-22.60 kcal/mol				73.62 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-22.65 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =		-274.94 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-95.50 kcal/mol				-279.53 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-100.08 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation			LB1						RB2									
Final Orientation			RB1			RB2	LS1		RB2		RS2			RS2				LB2
			LS1			LNH	LNH							LB1				LB2
			LB1				LB1							LB1				LB2
			RNH											RS2				RB2
			RS1											RS2				RB2
Total =		17.70 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-116.35 kcal/mol				18.12 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-115.93 kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =		76.58 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-19.69 kcal/mol				76.04 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-20.23 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =		-277.28 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-97.83 kcal/mol				-276.20 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-96.76 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation						RB2	LB2											
Final Orientation	RB2	LB1			RS1	LS2				RS2	LB2			RB2	LS2			LB1
	RS2	RS2			RS2	LB2					LS2			LB1				LS2
		LNH												CS				LB1
		LB2												RS1				LB1
														RS2				CS
Total =		22.00 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-112.05 kcal/mol				22.22 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-111.83 kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =		82.30 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-13.97 kcal/mol				75.34 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-20.93 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =		-277.77 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-98.32 kcal/mol				-272.58 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-93.14 kcal/mol			



**Table 6.39: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20
Initial Orientation					RB2			LB1		RS1							
Final Orientation	RS2	RB2 RS2		LS2 LB2	RB1 LB1 RS2			LB1 LNH LS1 LB2		RB1 RS2 RS1 CS	LS1		RB2 RS2 RS1	LB1 RS1 LB1			RS1
Total =		23.03 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-111.02 kcal/mol					23.69 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-110.37 kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =		75.84 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{vdw} =$	-20.43 kcal/mol					75.60 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{vdw} =$	-20.67 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =		-269.36 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{ele} =$	-89.92 kcal/mol					-272.74 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{ele} =$	-93.29 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation					LB1	RB2											
Final Orientation		RS2 RB2			LB1 LS2 LNH RS2	RS2 RB2		RB1		RS2			RB2 RB1 LS2 RS2			LB2 LS2 LB2	RB2
Total =		23.71 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-110.34 kcal/mol					23.82 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-110.23 kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =		78.43 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{vdw} =$	-17.84 kcal/mol					79.67 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{vdw} =$	-16.60 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =		-274.36 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{ele} =$	-94.91 kcal/mol					-271.64 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{ele} =$	-92.20 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation					RB1			LB2									
Final Orientation		RS2			RB1 LS2 RS2			LB2 LB2 LS2	RB2								
Total =		24.06 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-110.00 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =		81.32 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{vdw} =$	-14.95 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =		-275.91 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{ele} =$	-96.46 kcal/mol												

**Table 6.40: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQK region of the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Gly9	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18
Initial Orientation				RS2		LS2						LB1	RS2				
Final Orientation	CS	CS	LB1	RS1		LS2	RS2	RS2	CS	CS		LB1	RS2		LS2		
			LS1	RS2								LS1	RS1		RS2		
			CS									LS2					
Total =	94.27 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-150.30 kcal/mol				98.47 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-146.11 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	106.03 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-15.67 kcal/mol				104.36 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-17.34 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-295.62 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-135.38 kcal/mol				-292.45 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-132.21 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation				LS2		CS						LS2	RB1				
Final Orientation		LS2	RS2	LS2		RB1	LS1		LS1	CS		LB1	RB1		LB2	RS2	RS2
			LS2	LB2		RS1						LS2	CS		LS2		
						LS1						LS1	RS1				
													RS2				
Total =	98.55 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-146.03 kcal/mol				99.12 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-145.46 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	106.87 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-14.84 kcal/mol				100.02 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-21.69 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-292.23 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-131.99 kcal/mol				-291.07 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-130.83 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation			CS	RS2								CS	LS1				
Final Orientation	CS	CS	LB1	RS2		LS2						RB1	LS2		RS1		
			LS1	RS1		RS2						RS1	LS1		RB1		
			LS2									RS2			RNH		
Total =	99.51 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-145.07 kcal/mol				105.31 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-139.27 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	109.29 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-12.41 kcal/mol				110.47 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-11.23 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-293.14 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-132.90 kcal/mol				-291.80 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-131.56 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation			RB1	LB1								LS2	RS2				
Final Orientation	RB1		RB1	LS2		LS1			CS			LS2	RB1		LB2		
			RNH	LS1								LS1	RS1		LS2		
			RS1										RS2				
			RB2														
Total =	106.00 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-138.58 kcal/mol				106.18 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-138.39 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	105.86 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-15.84 kcal/mol				107.61 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-14.09 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-288.01 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-127.76 kcal/mol				-285.38 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-125.14 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation			RB1	LB2								LS2	RB2				
Final Orientation	LB1	LS1	LB1	LB2		RS2						LS2	RB2		LS2		RB2
			LNH	RB1	LS1	RB1						LS1					
			LB1														
			LNH														
			RNH														
Total =	107.41 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-137.16 kcal/mol				107.91 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-136.66 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	97.73 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-23.97 kcal/mol				105.29 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-16.42 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-275.24 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-115.00 kcal/mol				-282.70 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-122.46 kcal/mol				

**Table 6.40: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQK region of the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Ala21
Initial Orientation		LS1	CS		LB1			RS2		RS1	CS					
Final Orientation	CS	LS1	RB1		LS2					RS2	LS1		RS1			
		CS	CS		LS1					RS1	LS2					
			RS1													
Total =	108.86 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-135.72 kcal/mol			110.05 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$		-134.53 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	104.22 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-17.48 kcal/mol			109.65 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$		-12.05 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-287.62 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-127.38 kcal/mol			-284.10 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$		-123.85 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation			CS		RS2						LB2		RB2			
Final Orientation	LS2	RS2	LS1		RS2					RB2	LNH		RS2		LB2	LB2
		CS	CS		RS1					RS1	LS1		RB1			
					CS					RNH						
										RB1						
Total =	110.37 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-134.21 kcal/mol			112.24 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$		-132.34 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	106.66 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-15.04 kcal/mol			103.13 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$		-18.57 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-285.89 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-125.65 kcal/mol			-280.21 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$		-119.96 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation		RS2	CS		RS1	CS				RS2	LS2		RS1	CS		
Final Orientation		RS2	LB1		CS					RB2	LS2		RS2			
			LS1		CS					RS2			RS2			
			CS							RS2			RB1			
													CS			
Total =	113.76 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-130.82 kcal/mol			114.82 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$		-129.75 kcal/mol				
Van der Waals =	105.47 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-16.23 kcal/mol			106.72 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$		-14.99 kcal/mol				
Electrostatic =	-278.63 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-118.39 kcal/mol			-279.91 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Ele} =$		-119.67 kcal/mol				
Initial Orientation			LB2		RS2											
Final Orientation		RB2	LB2		RS2	CS	LB2									
		RS1	LNH		CS											
					RB1											
Total =	116.63 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-127.94 kcal/mol											
Van der Waals =	104.70 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-17.00 kcal/mol											
Electrostatic =	-275.83 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-115.59 kcal/mol											

**Table 6.41: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the LVFF region of the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His14	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Glu22	Asp23	Val24	Lys28	Val12	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Val24	Lys28
Initial Orientation			RB1	LB2												LB1	RB2				
Final Orientation	LB2	RS1	RB1	LB2								RB2		LS2	LB1	LB1	RB2				
	LS1	RNH	LB1									RS2		LB1		RB1					
Total =	156.16 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{\text{Tot}} =$	-88.42 kcal/mol							161.25 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{\text{Tot}} =$	-83.33 kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	107.95 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}} =$	-13.75 kcal/mol							110.05 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}} =$	-11.65 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-249.60 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{\text{Ele}} =$	-89.36 kcal/mol							-233.71 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{\text{Ele}} =$	-73.47 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation				LB2		RB2										LB2		RB1			
Final Orientation	LB2	LS1	LS1	LB2		RS2	LB2	LB2				RB2		RB2	RB1	LB2		RB1		LS2	
	LS2		LNH			RB2	LB1							RB2	RB2	LS2		RB1		RS2	
	LS1		LB1															RS2			
Total =	161.66 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{\text{Tot}} =$	-82.92 kcal/mol							164.34 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{\text{Tot}} =$	-80.24 kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	104.25 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}} =$	-17.45 kcal/mol							102.52 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}} =$	-19.18 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-233.26 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{\text{Ele}} =$	-73.02 kcal/mol							-226.59 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{\text{Ele}} =$	-66.35 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation			LB2			RB1												RB1	LB1		
Final Orientation		LB2	LB2			RB1					RS1							RS1	LB1	LS1	LS1
						LB1					RNH							RB1		LNH	
Total =	167.30 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{\text{Tot}} =$	-77.27 kcal/mol							172.55 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{\text{Tot}} =$	-72.02 kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =	108.22 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}} =$	-13.49 kcal/mol							110.96 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}} =$	-10.74 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =	-233.09 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{\text{Ele}} =$	-72.84 kcal/mol							-223.02 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{\text{Ele}} =$	-62.78 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation					RB2	LB1															
Final Orientation			LS2		RB2	RB2			RB2	RS2	RS2										
						RS2					RS2										
						CS															
						LS2															
Total =	179.19 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{\text{Tot}} =$	-65.39 kcal/mol																
Van der Waals =	108.95 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{\text{vdw}} =$	-12.75 kcal/mol																
Electrostatic =	-204.46 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{\text{Ele}} =$	-44.22 kcal/mol																

**Table 6.42: The gas phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Aka21	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Aka21
Initial Orientation	RB2					LB2									RS2	LB2				
Final Orientation	RS2 RB1	LS1		RS1 RS2	LS2				LB2			RS1 RNH RB1	LS1 LB2		RS2	LS1 LB2				LB2
Total =	108.84 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-135.74 kcal/mol					118.88 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-125.70 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =	105.35 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-16.35 kcal/mol					106.61 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-15.09 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-285.60 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elic} =$	-125.36 kcal/mol					-276.19 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Elic} =$	-115.95 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation				RS2					LB2						LS2	RB2				
Final Orientation	RS1 RS2			LB1 RB1 RS2					LB2			LS2	RS2		LS2	RS2				
Total =	119.08 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-125.50 kcal/mol					121.89 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-122.69 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =	113.42 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-8.28 kcal/mol					113.12 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-8.58 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-279.96 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elic} =$	-119.72 kcal/mol					-277.75 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Elic} =$	-117.51 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation				LS2					RB2			LS1								
Final Orientation	LS2	RB2 RS2		LS2 LNH LB1 RS2					RB2		LS1	RB1 LB1 CS RNH			LB1 LS2 CS	CS			RB1 RB1	RS1
Total =	122.12 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-122.46 kcal/mol					125.60 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-118.98 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =	112.06 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-9.65 kcal/mol					102.17 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-19.53 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-274.47 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elic} =$	-114.23 kcal/mol					-262.57 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Elic} =$	-102.33 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation				RB2					LB2			RS2								
Final Orientation	RS1	LB2		RS2 RB1 RNH					LB2		RS1	RS2 RS2 RB2			LS2	LB2				LB2
Total =	125.77 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-118.80 kcal/mol					127.71 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-116.87 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =	108.75 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-12.95 kcal/mol					112.24 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-9.47 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-267.81 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elic} =$	-107.57 kcal/mol					-267.96 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Elic} =$	-107.71 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation	LS2					RB2														LB2
Final Orientation	LS2			LB1 RS2		RS2					RS1				RB1 RS2 LB1					LB2 LS2 LB2
Total =	127.73 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-116.85 kcal/mol					132.82 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-111.76 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =	109.47 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-12.23 kcal/mol					114.73 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-6.97 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-265.92 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elic} =$	-105.68 kcal/mol					-265.21 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Elic} =$	-104.97 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation									LB2			RB2								LB1
Final Orientation	RS2 RS1 RS2			RS2					LB2		RB2 RB2	RNH RS1			LS1 LNH LB1 RB1	LB1				LB1
Total =	135.23 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-109.35 kcal/mol					136.87 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-107.70 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =	115.56 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-6.14 kcal/mol					104.65 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-17.05 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-267.74 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Elic} =$	-107.50 kcal/mol					-255.22 kcal/mol		$\Delta E_{Elic} =$	-94.98 kcal/mol							

**Table 6.42: The gas phase results of solapsone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	
Initial Orientation			LS1				RB2								CS				RB2	
Final Orientation			LB2	LB2		LB1	RB2				LS2	LS2			LB1	RS2			RS2	RB2
			LS1			RB1						LS1			LS2					
						LNH														
						RNH														
Total =	137.40 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-107.18 kcal/mol					142.08 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-102.50 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =	107.18 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-14.52 kcal/mol					106.75 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-14.95 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-264.72 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-104.48 kcal/mol					-255.05 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-94.81 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation						RB1	LB2							LB2					RB2	
Final Orientation		LS1	LS1	LB2		RB1	LS2	LB2						LNH	LB2				RB2	
			LB1	LS1		LB1	LB2							LS1	LB1					
			LNH			RNH								LB2	LB2					
						LNH														
Total =	142.47 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-102.11 kcal/mol					143.74 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-100.84 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =	105.05 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-16.66 kcal/mol					111.76 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-9.94 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-248.71 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-88.47 kcal/mol					-252.84 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-92.60 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation				CS			LB2							RS1					LB2	
Final Orientation		CS		LB1		LS1	LB2	LS2						RB2	RS2	LB2				
				LS2										RB1						
				CS										RNH						
				LS1										RS1						
Total =	144.59 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-99.99 kcal/mol					145.72 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-98.86 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =	109.13 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-12.57 kcal/mol					107.64 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-14.06 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-247.97 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-87.73 kcal/mol					-251.98 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-91.74 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation							LB2							LS1					RB1	
Final Orientation							LB1	LB2						LS1					LB2	
							RB1	LS1											RB1	
							RS2												LS1	
Total =	146.92 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-97.65 kcal/mol					148.25 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-96.33 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =	110.40 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-11.31 kcal/mol					117.81 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-3.89 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-251.28 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-91.04 kcal/mol					-258.28 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-98.04 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation							LB2							LS2					CS	
Final Orientation							RS2	LS2											LB1	
							RS1	RB1											RS1	
							RS2	RB1											LS1	
																			RB1	
																			RS1	
Total =	148.46 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-96.12 kcal/mol					148.76 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-95.82 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =	113.46 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-8.24 kcal/mol					113.86 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-7.84 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =	-257.56 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-97.31 kcal/mol					-252.04 kcal/mol			$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-91.80 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation				LB1															RB2	
Final Orientation				LB1			LS2												RB2	
				LNH																
				LS1																
Total =	152.12 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-92.46 kcal/mol														
Van der Waals =	106.49 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-15.22 kcal/mol														
Electrostatic =	-243.86 kcal/mol				$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-83.62 kcal/mol														

The gas phase minimization of solapsone with  $\beta$ -amyloid indicated that it was indeed capable of binding to the **HHQK**, LVFF and overlapping regions on the protein in an energetically favourable fashion. The electrostatic energies were much lower than the van der Waals energies.

These systems were selected for optimization in an aqueous environment based on two criteria: they must have the lowest energy possible, and binding interactions must occur with at least two amino acids in the A $\beta$  region of interest.

### 6.3.3 RESULTS OF THE SOLUTION PHASE OPTIMIZATION OF SOLAPSONE WITH $\beta$ -AMYLOID

Minimization of the solvated systems followed the same process as in section 6.2.3. The energies of the optimized  $\beta$ -amyloid conformers are listed in Appendix 6, and the energies of solapsone upon minimization in a solvated environment (and ignoring the solvent contribution) are summarized in Table 6.43.

**Table 6.43: The solution phase energies of solapsone**

	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$
Solapsone	93.96	46.55	21.82

The energies were calculated using equations 6.4-6.6 (these were measured ignoring solvent contributions and with constrained protein backbones), both the measured and calculated energies are summarized in the following tables. The amino acids are indicated by their three letter abbreviations, and the initial and final orientations of solapsone are given. Hydrogen bonds are represented in orange, cation- $\pi$  interactions in green, and  $\pi$ - $\pi$  in blue. Purple, lime green, and yellow are used for interactions with the protein backbone, at the C=O, -CH-, and -NH- groups. Potential binding occurring with the -CH<sub>2</sub>- chain of the amino acid side chains is denoted by indigo-coloured cells.

**Table 6.44: The solution phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQK region of the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His6	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Phe20	Ala21	Lys28	His6	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Phe20	
Initial Orientation	LS2	LS1	LS1	RB1 LB1			RS1 RS2	RS1	RS1			RS1	RS1	RS1	RB1 LB1 RNH			LS1	LS2	LS2	LS1
Final Orientation	LS2		LS1	RB1 LB1 LS1			RS1 RS2	RS1	RS1			RS1	RS1	RS1	RB1 RS1 RNH LB1			LS1	LS1	LS1	LS2
Total =	-76.95 kcal/mol											-24.60 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	72.86 kcal/mol											82.19 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-314.60 kcal/mol											-293.79 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-178.85 kcal/mol											-126.50 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-25.57 kcal/mol											-16.24 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =	-124.50 kcal/mol											-103.69 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation			LB2	LB1 LS1 LS2	LS1		RS1 RS2	RS1	RS1				RS1	RS1	RB1 CS RS2			LS1 LS2			
Final Orientation			LS2 LB2	LB1 LS1 LS2	LS1		RS2 RS1	RS1	RS1			RS1	RS1	RS1	RB1 CS RS1 RS2			LS1 LS2			LS2
Total =	-55.15 kcal/mol											-65.18 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	70.42 kcal/mol											72.97 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-309.14 kcal/mol											-307.20 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-157.06 kcal/mol											-167.08 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-28.01 kcal/mol											-25.46 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =	-119.04 kcal/mol											-117.10 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation			RS1 RS2	LS1 RB1 RNH RS2	RS2		LS2 LS1		LB2					RB2	RS2 RS1 RB1			LS2 LB2	CS LB1	LB1 LNH	LB1
Final Orientation			RS2	LB1 RB1 RS2 RB2	RS2		LS2 LS1		RB2 LB2 LS2						RS2 RS1 RB1			LB1 LS2 LB2	CS LB1	CS LNH LS1	LB1 LNH
Total =	-60.47 kcal/mol											-60.71 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	71.39 kcal/mol											71.48 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-304.93 kcal/mol											-302.84 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-162.37 kcal/mol											-162.62 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-27.04 kcal/mol											-26.95 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =	-114.83 kcal/mol											-112.74 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation				LS1			LB1 LS1	RS1	RB1 RS2		RS2			RS2	LB1 LS2 LS1	RB2		LB2 LS2	LS2 LB1	LS2 LB2	LB2
Final Orientation				LS1			LB1 LS2 LS1	RS1	CS RB1 RS1 RS2	RS1	RS2			RS2	LB1 LS2 LS1	RB2		LB2 LS2	LS2 RB1	LS2 RB1	LB2
Total =	-50.87 kcal/mol											-32.93 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	74.94 kcal/mol											79.28 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-305.18 kcal/mol											-308.30 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-152.77 kcal/mol											-134.83 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-23.49 kcal/mol											-19.15 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =	-115.08 kcal/mol											-118.20 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation				RS2 RS1			LS2 LS1	RS2	LB2 LS2					LB2 LS2	LB1 LS1 CS	LS1		RS1	RB1	RS1	RS1
Final Orientation				RS2 RS1			LS2 LS1	RS2	LS2					LB2 LB1	RB1 LB1 LS1	LS1		RS1	RB1	RS1	RS1
Total =	-38.65 kcal/mol											24.10 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	85.14 kcal/mol											82.82 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-300.56 kcal/mol											-289.31 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-140.56 kcal/mol											-77.81 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-13.29 kcal/mol											-15.61 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =	-110.46 kcal/mol											-99.21 kcal/mol									



**Table 6.45: The solution phase results of solapsone interacting with the LVFF region of the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Lys28	His13	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Val24	Lys28
Initial Orientation		RS1	LS1		RS1	RS2			RS1	LB1			LS2	LS1	LB2			RS2	RB2	RS2
						RB1			RB1	LNH			LS1					RB2		
						RS1			CS											
						LB1														
						LS1														
						LS2														
Final Orientation		RS1	LS1		RS1	RS2			CS	LNH			LB2	LS1	LB2			RS2	RB2	RS2
						LB1			RB1	LB1			LS1		LS1					RB2
						RB1			RS1											
						RS1														
Total =		-52.03 kcal/mol												-35.97 kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =		71.88 kcal/mol												72.38 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =		-292.54 kcal/mol												-288.04 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-153.93 kcal/mol												-137.88 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-26.55 kcal/mol												-26.05 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Elic}$ =		-102.44 kcal/mol												-97.94 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation													LS2	LS2	LS1			CS		RS1
													LS1	LS1				RB1		
														LB1						
Final Orientation	RB2		LS1		LB2		RB1				RB2	RB2	LS1	LS2	LS1			CS		RS1
	LS1				LB2		LB1					RS2	LS2	LS1				RB1		2
					LS1									LB1						
Total =		-43.69 kcal/mol												-35.57 kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =		67.41 kcal/mol												84.63 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =		-277.36 kcal/mol												-301.07 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-145.60 kcal/mol												-137.47 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-31.02 kcal/mol												-13.80 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Elic}$ =		-87.26 kcal/mol												-110.97 kcal/mol						
Initial Orientation			RS2			LS2	RS2		LB2	RS2				RS2	LB2			LS2		LS1
						LNH	RB2											LB1		LS2
						LB1												RB1		
Final Orientation			RB2			RS2	RB2		LB2	RS2					RS2			LS2		LB1
			RS2			LNH	RS2		LB2	RS2								RB1		LS1
						LS2			LS2											LS2
Total =		-43.29 kcal/mol												-34.63 kcal/mol						
Van der Waals =		81.90 kcal/mol												81.57 kcal/mol						
Electrostatic =		-290.21 kcal/mol												-290.07 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-145.19 kcal/mol												-136.54 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-16.53 kcal/mol												-16.85 kcal/mol						
$\Delta E_{Elic}$ =		-100.12 kcal/mol												-99.97 kcal/mol						

**Table 6.46: The solution phase results of solapsone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Val24	Gly25	Lys28
Initial Orientation	RS2	RS2	RB1				LB1			LS1				LS2
Final Orientation	RS2	RS2	RS2 RB1 RS1 RS2			RS1	LB1 LS1			LS1				LS2
Total =		-65.97 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =		69.00 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =		-310.62 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-167.88 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-29.43 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-120.52 kcal/mol												
Initial Orientation		RB2	RB1 RB2			RS2	LS2			LS2	LS2	LB2	LB2	LS1 LB2
Final Orientation		RB2	RNH RB1 RS2 RNH RB2			RS2	LS2 LB1			LS2	LB2	LS2	LB2	
Total =		-31.54 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =		88.42 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =		-302.23 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-133.45 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-10.01 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-112.13 kcal/mol												
Initial Orientation			LS1 LS2							RS1				RS2 RS1
Final Orientation			LS2 LS1 LB1							RS1				RS1
Total =		-34.21 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =		74.63 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =		-301.13 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-136.11 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-23.80 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-111.03 kcal/mol												
Initial Orientation			LS1 LB1 LS1 LS2				RB1			RS1	RS1			RS1 RS2
Final Orientation			LS1 LB1 LS1 LS2				RS1 RB1 CS			RS1				RS1 RS2
Total =		-67.22 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =		78.72 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =		-305.76 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-169.13 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-19.71 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-115.67 kcal/mol												
Initial Orientation			RB2 RS2 RS1	RS2		LS2	RS2			LB1 LS1				
Final Orientation			RB2 RS1 RS2	RB1 RS2		LNH LB1 LB1	LNH LB1 RS2			LB2 LS1 LNH LB1				LS2
Total =		-83.73 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =		67.58 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =		-319.50 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-185.63 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-30.85 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-129.40 kcal/mol												
Initial Orientation			LS1 LS2			LS2	LS2 LS1 LB1			CS RS2				RS1
Final Orientation			LS1 LS2			LS2	LB1			RS2 CS LB1				RS1
Total =		-45.36 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =		74.06 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =		-302.59 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-147.26 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-24.37 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-112.49 kcal/mol												

**Table 6.46: The solution phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His6	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Val24	Gly25	Lys28
Initial Orientation			LB2	LS2	LS2			RS2 CS LB1			RS2		CS		RS1 RS2
Final Orientation			LB2	LS2	LS2			CS RS2 RB2			RS2		CS		RS1 RS2
Total =		-46.50 kcal/mol													
Van der Waals =		74.26 kcal/mol													
Electrostatic =		-297.53 kcal/mol													
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-148.41 kcal/mol													
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-24.17 kcal/mol													
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-107.43 kcal/mol													
Initial Orientation		LS1	LS1	LB1 RB1 LB1 LNH			LB2 RS1 RNH RB1	RNH RB1			RB2 RS1				
Final Orientation	LB2	LS1	LS1	LB1 RB1 LB1 LNH LS1			RS1 RNH RB1	RNH RB1			RB2 RS1				
Total =		16.07 kcal/mol													
Van der Waals =		63.83 kcal/mol													
Electrostatic =		-287.80 kcal/mol													
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-85.84 kcal/mol													
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-34.60 kcal/mol													
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-97.70 kcal/mol													
Initial Orientation			RS1 RS2	RB2 RB2 RNH RS1	RS1			LS1 LB1			LS1				LS2
Final Orientation			RS1 RS2 RB2	RB2 RNH RS1	RS1			LS1 LB1			LS1				LS2 LB2
Total =			-57.20 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =			69.17 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =			-291.85 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =			-159.10 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =			-29.26 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =			-101.75 kcal/mol												
Initial Orientation				RB2 RS1 RNH RB1			RB2	LS1			LS1 LB2				LS2 LB2
Final Orientation				RB2 RB1 RNH RS1				LS1 RB2			LS1		LB2		LB2 LS2
Total =			-33.48 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =			86.33 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =			-289.60 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =			-135.39 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =			-12.10 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =			-99.50 kcal/mol												
Initial Orientation				LS2 LB1	RS2		LS2	RB1 LNH RS2 LB1	RS2 RB2						
Final Orientation				LS2 LB1	RS2		LS2	RS2	RS2						
Total =			8.63 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =			80.37 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =			-295.43 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =			-93.28 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =			-18.06 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =			-105.34 kcal/mol												
Initial Orientation				LS2 LB1	RS2		LS2	RB1 LNH RS2	RS2						
Final Orientation				LB1 LS2	RS2		LB2	LB1 RB1 RS2	RS2						
Total =			-33.25 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =			79.01 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =			-296.44 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =			-135.15 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =			-19.42 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =			-106.34 kcal/mol												

**Table 6.46: The solution phase results of solapsone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Val24	Lys28
Initial Orientation				LB1 LS1 LS2			LS2 RS2	RB1			RS2			RB2
Final Orientation				LB1 LS1 LS2			LS2 RS2	LB1			RB2 RS2			RB2
Total =		-16.42 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =		73.97 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =		-311.30 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-118.33 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-24.46 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =		-121.20 kcal/mol												
Initial Orientation				RB2 RS1 RNH			RS2 RB1	RB1			LS2			LS1 LS2
Final Orientation				RS1 RNH RB2			RS2 RB1 RNH RB2	LS2 RB1			LS2 LB1 CS RB1	LS2		LS1 LS2
Total =		8.25 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =		77.07 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =		-292.22 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-93.65 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-21.36 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =		-102.12 kcal/mol												
Initial Orientation	LB2	LB2		LB2 LB1 LNH			LB1 LNH	RB2			RS1 RNH	RB2		RS1 2
Final Orientation	LB2	LB2		LB2 LB1 LNH			LB1 LNH LS1	RB2			RS1 RNH RB1			RS1 2
Total =		-57.28 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =		71.09 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =		-301.47 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-159.18 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-27.34 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =		-111.37 kcal/mol												
Initial Orientation				LS1			LS2 LS1	LS1			LB1 CS			RS2 RS1
Final Orientation				LS1			LS1 LS2	LB1 LS1			LB1 CS LS1 LS2			RS2 RS1
Total =		25.83 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =		91.66 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =		-296.88 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-76.07 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-6.77 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =		-106.78 kcal/mol												
Initial Orientation				RB2			RS2	LS2			LS2			LS1 LS2
Final Orientation				RB2			RS2 RB1 RNH RB2	LS2			LS2			LS1
Total =		-49.60 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =		75.85 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =		-293.75 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-151.51 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-22.58 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =		-103.65 kcal/mol												
Initial Orientation				LS2 LS1			LB1 LS2	LB1			RB2 RS2 RB1 CS	RB2 RS2		RS2 RB2
Final Orientation				LS2 LS1			LS2	LB1 LS1			RS2 RB1 CS	RB2		RS2
Total =		-65.55 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =		65.29 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =		-308.05 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-167.45 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-33.14 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =		-117.95 kcal/mol												

**Table 6.46: The solution phase results of solapsone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1AMB conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Val24	Lys28
Initial Orientation				RS1			RB1				CS			LS2
				RS2			RS2				LB1			
							CS				LS2			
Final Orientation				RS1			RS1				LS2			LS2
				RS2			RB1				LB1			
							CS				CS			
Total =		-36.95 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =		80.72 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =		-296.56 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-138.85 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-17.71 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-106.46 kcal/mol												
Initial Orientation					LB2		LS1	LS1			CS			RS2
					LS2		LS2							RS1
Final Orientation					LS1		LS1	LS1			CS			RS2
					LB2		LS1	LS1			CS			RS1
							LS2							
Total =		-37.01 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =		93.54 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =		-309.25 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-138.92 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-4.89 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-119.15 kcal/mol												
Initial Orientation		RB2			RB2		RB1	RS1			CS			
					RS1		LS2							
Final Orientation		RB2		RB2	RB2		LB1	RS1			LB1			
					RS1		LS2				CS			
							LB1				RB1			
							RNH							
Total =		4.96 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =		68.20 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =		-287.12 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-96.95 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-30.22 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-97.02 kcal/mol												
Initial Orientation					RS2	RS2	LS2	RB2	RB2		LB2			
					LB1						LS2			
					CS									
					RB1									
Final Orientation					RS2	RS2	LS2	LS2	RB2		LB2			
					LB1	RB2					LS2			
					CS									
					RB1									
Total =		-54.96 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =		75.90 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =		-299.57 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-156.86 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-22.53 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-109.47 kcal/mol												
Initial Orientation					RS1		RS1	RS1			LS1			LS1
					RS2						LB1			
Final Orientation					RS2		RS1	RS1			LS1			LS1
					RS1						LB1			
Total =		-34.06 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =		80.91 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =		-295.46 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-135.96 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-17.52 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-105.36 kcal/mol												
Initial Orientation					RS2		RS2	RS2			LS2			
					RS1		LS1				LB2			
Final Orientation					RS2		LS2	RS2			LB2			
					RS1		LS1				LS2			
Total =		-48.63 kcal/mol												
Van der Waals =		84.99 kcal/mol												
Electrostatic =		-303.59 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-150.53 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-13.44 kcal/mol												
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-113.49 kcal/mol												

**Table 6.47: The solution phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQK region of the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Ser8	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe20	Ala21	Ile31	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Ile31
Initial Orientation	RS2	LS1 LB1 CS RB1		LS2 LS1	RS2 RB2			LS2				LB2 LS2	RS1	LS2	LB1 LS2	RB2		LB2 LS2	LS2	RB2
Final Orientation	RS2	LS1 LB1 CS RB1		LS2 LS1	RB1 RS2			LS2				LB2 LS2		LS2	LB1 LS2 RS2	RS2 RB2		LB2 LS2	RS2	RB2
Total =		89.59 kcal/mol													66.76 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =		100.34 kcal/mol													106.46 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =		-250.39 kcal/mol													-275.08 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-158.49 kcal/mol													-181.32 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-26.89 kcal/mol													-20.77 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-136.51 kcal/mol													-161.20 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation		RS2 RB2		LB1 RB1 LS2	RB2		LB2 LS2	RB1 RS1		LB2		RB1 RS1	LB2 LS2	RS2 RB2	RB1 RS2	LS2		RS2	LS2	LS1 LB1
Final Orientation		RS2		RB1 RB1 LB1 LS2 RS2	RB2		LB2 LS2	RB1 RNH RS1		LB2		CS RB1 RS1	LB2 LS2		RB1 RB1 LS2 CS RNH RS2	LS2		RS2	LS2	LS1 CS
Total =		76.59 kcal/mol													96.45 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =		93.80 kcal/mol													105.98 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =		-258.71 kcal/mol													-265.81 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-171.49 kcal/mol													-151.63 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-33.43 kcal/mol													-21.25 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-144.83 kcal/mol													-151.93 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation		LS2 LB2	RB2	LB1 LB1 RS2 RB1 LS2	LS2		RB2 RS2	LS2					LB2 LS2	RS2 RB2	RS2 RB1	LB2 LS2		RS2	LS2	LS1
Final Orientation		LB2 LS2 LNH LB1	RB2	LB1 LB1 LS2 RS2	LS2		RS2 RB2	LS2					LS2 LB2	RB2 RS2	LB1 RS2 RB1 LS2	LS2 LB2		RS2	LS2	LS1
Total =		120.64 kcal/mol													107.15 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =		119.72 kcal/mol													118.38 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =		-255.65 kcal/mol													-251.61 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-127.44 kcal/mol													-140.93 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-7.50 kcal/mol													-8.85 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-141.77 kcal/mol													-137.73 kcal/mol					
Initial Orientation		RB1 RNH RS1 RB2		RB2 RS2	LB1 LB1			LB2 RS2	LB2			LB2	RS1		LS1 LNH LB1 RS1	RS1 RB2			RS1	RS2
Final Orientation		RS1 RB2		RB2 RB2 RS2	LB1 LB1 RB1 LB2 RNH RS2			LB2 RS2	LB2			LB2	RB1 RS1		LS1 LNH LB1 RS1	RS1 RB2			RS1	RS2
Total =		114.32 kcal/mol													109.57 kcal/mol					
Van der Waals =		102.71 kcal/mol													122.36 kcal/mol					
Electrostatic =		-247.81 kcal/mol													-256.63 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-133.75 kcal/mol													-138.51 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-24.52 kcal/mol													-4.87 kcal/mol					
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-133.93 kcal/mol													-142.75 kcal/mol					

**Table 6.47: The solution phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQK region of the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Ly16	Leu17	Ala30	Ile31	Met35	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Ala21	Ile31		
Initial Orientation	LB1 LNH	RB2 RS2 RNH RB1	RS2 RB1 LB1 LS2	LB2 LS2		RB2 RS2	LS2				LB1 LS2 LB2	LB1 RB1 LS1 LS2	LS2		RB2 RS2	LS2				LS1	
Final Orientation	LNH LB1 RB1	RB1 RS2 RB2	LS2 LB1 RS2	LB2 LS2		RS2 RB2	LS2				LB2 LB1	LS2 LB1 RB1 RS2	LS2		RB2 RS2	LS2					LS1
Total =	116.21 kcal/mol										109.90 kcal/mol										
Van der Waals =	103.76 kcal/mol										126.32 kcal/mol										
Electrostatic =	-234.17 kcal/mol										-258.13 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-131.87 kcal/mol										-138.18 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-23.47 kcal/mol										-0.91 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Elic}$ =	-120.29 kcal/mol										-144.25 kcal/mol										
Initial Orientation	LS2 RS2 RB2		RS2 LB1 LS2 LS1	LB1 LS2 LS1					CS RB1 RS1		RB1 CS LB1 LS1	RB1 LS2 LS1			LS2 LS1	LS1					
Final Orientation	LS2 RS2 RB2		RS2 LB1 LS2 LS1	LB1 LS2 LS1			RS2		CS RB1 RS1		LS2 LS1 LB1 CS RB1	RB1 LS2 LS1			LS2 LS1	LS1				LS1	
Total =	81.45 kcal/mol										91.40 kcal/mol										
Van der Waals =	97.09 kcal/mol										96.51 kcal/mol										
Electrostatic =	-259.08 kcal/mol										-253.51 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-166.63 kcal/mol										-156.68 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-30.14 kcal/mol										-30.72 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Elic}$ =	-145.19 kcal/mol										-139.63 kcal/mol										
Initial Orientation	LS1		LB1 LS2 LS1 RB1	RS1		LS2	RB1 RS1		CS RB1 RS2	RS2	LS1	LB2 LS2 RNH RS2				LS2	RS2 RB2			RB2	
Final Orientation	LS1	LS1	LB1 LS2 LS1 RB1	RS1		LS2	RB1	CS	CS RB1 RS1 RS2	RS2	LS2 LS1	LB2 LS2 RNH					RS2 RB2			LS2	
Total =	88.28 kcal/mol										88.48 kcal/mol										
Van der Waals =	98.35 kcal/mol										90.49 kcal/mol										
Electrostatic =	-253.03 kcal/mol										-241.06 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-159.80 kcal/mol										-159.60 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-28.88 kcal/mol										-36.73 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Elic}$ =	-139.15 kcal/mol										-127.18 kcal/mol										

**Table 6.48: The solution phase results of solapsone interacting with the LVFF region of the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Arg5	Ser8	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Glu22	Ala30	Ile31
Initial Orientation	RS2		LB2		LB2	LB1		LS2	RS2						
			LS2		LS2	LS2			RB2						
Final Orientation	RS2		LB2		LB2	LB1		LS2	RS2			RB2	RB2		LB1
			LS2		LS2	LS2									
Total =	117.95 kcal/mol														
Van der Waals =	101.62 kcal/mol														
Electrostatic =	-244.30 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-130.13 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-25.60 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-130.42 kcal/mol														
Initial Orientation				LB1	LB2		LS2	LB2		RB2	LS2				
					LS1		RB1								
					LNH		RNH								
					LB1		RS2								
Final Orientation				LB1	LB2		RB1	LB2			LS2				LB2
					LNH		LS2				RB2				
							LB1								
							RNH								
Total =	90.23 kcal/mol														
Van der Waals =	105.51 kcal/mol														
Electrostatic =	-265.43 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-157.85 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-21.72 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-151.55 kcal/mol														
Initial Orientation			RS2		LB1	RB2	LS2	RS2				LB2			RB1
					RB1	RS2						LS2			RNH
					RS2										
Final Orientation					RB1	RB2	LS2	RS2				LS2		RB1	RB1
					RS2	RS2									RNH
															RB2
Total =	112.44 kcal/mol														
Van der Waals =	116.00 kcal/mol														
Electrostatic =	-250.68 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-135.64 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-11.23 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-136.80 kcal/mol														
Initial Orientation	LB2	LB1	RB1		RB2	RB1		RS2	LB2						RS2
	LS1		RS1			LB1		RB2							RB2
Final Orientation	LB2	CS	RS1		RB2	RB1		RB2	LB2						RB2
	LS1	LB1	RB1			RB1									RS2
						LB1									
Total =	98.51 kcal/mol														
Van der Waals =	93.82 kcal/mol														
Electrostatic =	-239.88 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-149.56 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-33.41 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-126.00 kcal/mol														



**Table 6.49: The solution phase results of solapsone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Arg5	Tyr10	Vall2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Vall8	Phe19	Phe20	Glu22	Gly29	Ala30	Ile31
Initial Orientation	LB2 LS1	RS2 RB2		RS2	RB1 LB1 RS2			RS2	LB2 LS2						RS1
Final Orientation	LB2 LS1	RS2		RS2	RB1 LB1 RNH RS2			RS2	LB2		LB2				RS1
Total =	78.37 kcal/mol														
Van der Waals =	92.69 kcal/mol														
Electrostatic =	-262.76 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-169.71 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-34.54 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-148.88 kcal/mol														
Initial Orientation	RB2 RS1	LB2 LS2		LB2 LS2	LB1 LS2 RB1 RS2			LS2	RS2 RB2					RB2	
Final Orientation	RB2 RS1	LB2 LS2 LS1		LB2 LS2	LS2 LB1 RS2	RS2		LS2	RS2 RB2					RB2	
Total =	72.10 kcal/mol														
Van der Waals =	95.92 kcal/mol														
Electrostatic =	-267.61 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-175.97 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-31.31 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-153.73 kcal/mol														
Initial Orientation		RS2		LS2 LB1 RB1 RS2	RB2 RS2		LB2 LS2	RS2			LB2				RB1 RNH
Final Orientation		RS2		LS2 LB1 RB1 RS2	RB2 RS2		LB2 LS2	RS2 RB2			LB2				RB1 RB2
Total =	116.12 kcal/mol														
Van der Waals =	112.15 kcal/mol														
Electrostatic =	-233.90 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-131.96 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-15.07 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-120.02 kcal/mol														
Initial Orientation			RB2	RS1 RB2			LB1 LS2 LNH RB1	RS1		LB2 LNH	LB1 RB1				RS1
Final Orientation			RB2	RS1 RB2			LB1 LS2 RS1 RNH RB1 LNH	RS1		LB1 LNH LB2	LB1 LB1				RS1
Total =	88.65 kcal/mol														
Van der Waals =	100.71 kcal/mol														
Electrostatic =	-250.53 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-159.43 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-26.52 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-136.65 kcal/mol														
Initial Orientation				RB1 RS2 RS1 LB1			LS2 RS2	RS2 RS1			RB2			RB2 RS1	
Final Orientation				RB1 RNH RS2			LB2 LB2 LS2 RS2	RS2			RB2			RB2 RS1 RB2	
Total =	95.53 kcal/mol														
Van der Waals =	109.82 kcal/mol														
Electrostatic =	-271.08 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-152.55 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-17.41 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-157.20 kcal/mol														

**Table 6.49: The solution phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Arg5	His6	Glu11	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Glu22	Asp23	Lys28	Gly29	Ile31
Initial Orientation					RB2			RS1				CS			LB2		
					RS2			RS2							LS2		
Final Orientation					RB2			RS1				LB1			LS2	LS2	
					RS2			RS2				CS			LB2		
Total =		71.99 kcal/mol															
Van der Waals =		118.68 kcal/mol															
Electrostatic =		-279.85 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-176.09 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-8.55 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-165.97 kcal/mol															
Initial Orientation	LS2					RB1			RS1	LS1			LS1				RS1
	LS1					RS1											
Final Orientation	LS2					RB1			RS1	LS1			LS1				RS1
	LS1					CS											
						RS1											
						RS2											
Total =		117.35 kcal/mol															
Van der Waals =		107.93 kcal/mol															
Electrostatic =		-231.10 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-130.72 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-19.30 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-117.22 kcal/mol															
Initial Orientation				LS2	LS2			LS2			RNH	CS					
				LS1				LB1			RS1						
								RB1									
								RNH									
								RS1									
Final Orientation				LS2	LS2			LB1			RS1	CS			RB2		
				LB2	LS1			RS1			RNH						
								CS			RB1						
								LS2									
Total =		135.62 kcal/mol															
Van der Waals =		105.56 kcal/mol															
Electrostatic =		-225.33 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-112.46 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-21.67 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-111.45 kcal/mol															
Initial Orientation		LB2			RB2			LS2			LS1						
					RS2			LNH			LNH						
Final Orientation					RB2			LB1									
					RS2			LS2			LB2						
								LB1			LS1						
								RS2			LB1						
Total =		133.01 kcal/mol															
Van der Waals =		119.36 kcal/mol															
Electrostatic =		-233.36 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-115.07 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-7.86 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-119.48 kcal/mol															
Initial Orientation			RB1	LB1	LS1			LB1			RB2						
				CS				RB1									
Final Orientation				RB1	LS1			RB1			RB2						
				CS				RS2									
								RS2									
								LB1									
Total =		106.29 kcal/mol															
Van der Waals =		106.36 kcal/mol															
Electrostatic =		-245.49 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-141.79 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-20.86 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-131.61 kcal/mol															

**Table 6.49: The solution phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1AML conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Arg5	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Gly29	Ala30	Ile31	Ile32	Met35
Initial Orientation		RS1	RS2	LB1 RB1 LNH			RS2				LB2			RS2 RB2	LS2	
Final Orientation		RS1	RS1 RS2	LB1 RB1 LNH			RS2				LB2			RS2	LS2	
Total =	109.14 kcal/mol															
Van der Waals =	111.26 kcal/mol															
Electrostatic =	-252.63 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-138.94 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-15.97 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-138.75 kcal/mol															
Initial Orientation	RB2 RS2	LS2	LB2	RB1 LB1 LS2			LS2	RB2						LB1 LNH LB2		
Final Orientation	RS2 RB2	LS2	LB2 LS2	RB1 LB1 LS2			LS2							LB1 LNH LB2		
Total =	111.37 kcal/mol															
Van der Waals =	107.33 kcal/mol															
Electrostatic =	-245.00 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-136.71 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-19.89 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-131.12 kcal/mol															
Initial Orientation	RB2	LB2 LS2	LB2 LS2	LB1 LS2 RB1 RS2			LS2	RB2						LB1		CS
Final Orientation	RB2	LS2 LS1	LB2 LS2	LS2 LS1 LB1 RB1 RS2			LS2	RB2						LB1		CS
Total =	97.41 kcal/mol															
Van der Waals =	104.32 kcal/mol															
Electrostatic =	-264.29 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-150.67 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-22.91 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-150.41 kcal/mol															
Initial Orientation		LB1 LNH LS1	RB1 LB2	LB2 LB2			LS2					RB2	RB2 RS2	LS2		
Final Orientation		LS1	RB1 LB1 RNH	LB2 LS1			LS2			RB2		RB2	RS2 RB2	LS2		
Total =	94.41 kcal/mol															
Van der Waals =	109.97 kcal/mol															
Electrostatic =	-256.25 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-153.67 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-17.26 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-142.36 kcal/mol															
Initial Orientation			LB1 LS1 LS2			RB2 RNH LB1 LNH LS1	LS1		RB2	LS1						
Final Orientation			LS1 LS2			RB2 LB1 LNH LS1	LS1		RB2	LS1			LS1			
Total =	89.69 kcal/mol															
Van der Waals =	87.11 kcal/mol															
Electrostatic =	-259.20 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-158.39 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-40.12 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-145.32 kcal/mol															

**Table 6.50: The solution phase results of solapsone interacting with the HHQK region of the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16
Initial Orientation		RB1	LS1	RS2			RS1	LS2		
		RB1	LS2				RS2	LS1		
		RS2								
		RS1								
Final Orientation		RS2	LS1	RB2			RS1	LS2		
		RS1	RS2	RS2			RS2	LS1		
		RB1	LS2							
Total =	64.47	kcal/mol					82.04 kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	129.64	kcal/mol					130.42 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-303.24	kcal/mol					-276.42 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-157.81	kcal/mol					-140.23 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	1.04	kcal/mol					1.82 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-155.41	kcal/mol					-128.59 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation		LS2	LS2	LB2			LB1	RS1		
		RB1					LS2	RS2		
		RNH					LS1			
		RB2								
Final Orientation	RB2	RB2	LS2				LS2	RS1		
		RNH	LS2*				LS1	RS2		
		RB1	*-NH-							
		LS2	LS1							
Total =	113.33	kcal/mol					73.19 kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	119.25	kcal/mol					116.74 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-256.84	kcal/mol					-273.24 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-108.95	kcal/mol					-149.08 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-9.35	kcal/mol					-11.86 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-109.01	kcal/mol					-125.41 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation		LB1	CS	CS		RS1	LB1	LS2		
		LS2	RB1				LS2	LS1		
			RS1				LS1			
			RS2				CS			
							RS2			
Final Orientation		LS2	CS	CS			RB1	LS2		
			RB1				RS2	LS1		
			RS1				LB1			
			RS2				LS2			
Total =	90.81	kcal/mol					93.67 kcal/mol			
Van der Waals =	117.58	kcal/mol					128.36 kcal/mol			
Electrostatic =	-263.22	kcal/mol					-275.53 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-131.47	kcal/mol					-128.61 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-11.01	kcal/mol					-0.24 kcal/mol			
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-115.39	kcal/mol					-127.70 kcal/mol			
Initial Orientation		LS2	LB1			RS1				
			LS2			RS2				
			RB1							
			RS2							
Final Orientation		LS2	LS2			RB1				
		LS1	RS2			RS1				
						RS2				
Total =	102.63	kcal/mol								
Van der Waals =	117.75	kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =	-258.68	kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-119.64	kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-10.85	kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-110.85	kcal/mol								

**Table 6.51: The solution phase results of solapsonone interacting with the LVFF region of the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His14	Gln15	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Val24	Lys28	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Val24	Lys28	
Initial Orientation	LS1		LB1 LNH	LB1 LB2			RB1 CS LB1	RB2	RB2 RS2		RB1 RNH RS1	RS1		LB1 RB1 RS1							
Final Orientation	LS1	LB2	LS1 LNH LB1	LB2 LB1			RB1 RNH RB2		RB2 RS2		RB1 RNH RS1 RB2	RS1		LB1 CS RB1 RS1						LB1	
Total =		136.79 kcal/mol									136.23 kcal/mol										
Van der Waals =		127.19 kcal/mol									112.16 kcal/mol										
Electrostatic =		-229.63 kcal/mol									-216.21 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-85.49 kcal/mol									-86.05 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{VdW}$ =		-1.41 kcal/mol									-16.44 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-81.81 kcal/mol									-68.38 kcal/mol										
Initial Orientation		RS2	RS2 RNH RB1			LB1				LB2			LB2	LB2			LB1 RB1			RS1 RS1	
Final Orientation		RS2	RB1 RS2			LB1 CS				LB2	LB2			LB2			RB1 LB1			RS1 RS1	
Total =		136.03 kcal/mol									209.50 kcal/mol										
Van der Waals =		113.61 kcal/mol									109.60 kcal/mol										
Electrostatic =		-222.88 kcal/mol									-210.14 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-86.24 kcal/mol									-12.77 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{VdW}$ =		-14.99 kcal/mol									-19.00 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-75.05 kcal/mol									-62.31 kcal/mol										
Initial Orientation		RS2	RB1	RS2		LB2				LS2	LS2			LB1	RB2						
Final Orientation		RS2	RS2 LS2			LS2 LB2					LS2		LB2	LB2 LS2 LB1	RS2 RS2 RB2						
Total =		161.13 kcal/mol									147.41 kcal/mol										
Van der Waals =		131.97 kcal/mol									123.34 kcal/mol										
Electrostatic =		-208.03 kcal/mol									-210.45 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-61.14 kcal/mol									-74.87 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{VdW}$ =		3.38 kcal/mol									-5.26 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-60.20 kcal/mol									-62.63 kcal/mol										

**Table 6.52: The solution phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20
Initial Orientation	RS1	LS2	RB1		LS2	LB1			RNH	LB1			LS1	LS1		
	RB2	LB1			LNH	CS			RS1	RB1						
		RB1			LB1				RB2	LS1						
		RB2							RNH							
									RS2							
Final Orientation	RS1	RS1	RS2						RB2	LB1			LS1	LS1		
	RS2	RS2							RS1	RB1			LB2			
									RNH	RS2						
									LNH							
Total =		97.61 kcal/mol							85.00 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =		119.43 kcal/mol							113.01 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =		-260.65 kcal/mol							-273.13 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-124.66 kcal/mol							-137.28 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-9.17 kcal/mol							-15.59 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =		-112.82 kcal/mol							-125.30 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation	RS2	RS2			LS2				RB1	LB1		RS1	RB2			RB2
	RS1	RB1			LB2				LB1	LB1			RS1			
		LS2							LS1	RB1						
									LNH							
									LB2							
Final Orientation	RS1	LS2			LB2				RB1	LB1		RS1	RB2			RB2
	RS2	RB1			LS2				LB1	RB1			RNH			
		RS2							LNH	LB2						
									LS1							
Total =		89.36 kcal/mol							120.33 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =		122.71 kcal/mol							118.50 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =		-273.24 kcal/mol							-249.36 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-132.91 kcal/mol							-101.94 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-5.89 kcal/mol							-10.09 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =		-125.41 kcal/mol							-101.54 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation	LS2	LS1	LS1		RS1				LB2	RB1			RB2			
	LS1	LB1							LS2	LS2						
		RB1							LNH	LB1						
									RNH							
Final Orientation	LS1	LS1	LS1		RS1				RB1	LS2	LS2		RS1			
	LS2	LB1							RB1				RNH			
									LB1							
									LB1							
									LNH							
									LS2							
									LB2							
Total =		105.80 kcal/mol							109.39 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =		126.63 kcal/mol							114.73 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =		-272.90 kcal/mol							-264.01 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-116.48 kcal/mol							-112.88 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-1.96 kcal/mol							-13.87 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =		-125.07 kcal/mol							-116.18 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation	RB1	RB2	LS1		LB2				RS1	RB1			LS1			
	RNH	LS1							RS2	RS1						
	RS1															
Final Orientation	RS1	RB2	LS1		LB2				RS1	RB1			LS1			
	RNH	RB1	LS1*						RS2	RNH						
	RB1	LS1	*-NH-							RS1						
		LB2														
Total =		113.31 kcal/mol							104.07 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =		118.89 kcal/mol							123.77 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =		-249.08 kcal/mol							-256.77 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-108.96 kcal/mol							-118.21 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-9.71 kcal/mol							-4.83 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =		-101.25 kcal/mol							-108.95 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation	RB2	RB1			LS2				RB2	LS2				LS2		
	RNH	RNH			LNH				RB2					LB2		
	RS1	RS2			LB1				RS2							
Final Orientation	RS1	RB1			LB1				RB2	LS2			LS2	LB2		
		RS2			LNH				RS2							
		RNH			LS2											
		LB1														
Total =		81.09 kcal/mol							110.33 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =		104.40 kcal/mol							111.06 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =		-263.54 kcal/mol							-239.62 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-141.18 kcal/mol							-111.95 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-24.20 kcal/mol							-17.54 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =		-115.71 kcal/mol							-91.79 kcal/mol							

**Table 6.52: The solution phase results of solapsone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1BA4 conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	
Initial Orientation	RB1 LB1 LNH LS1	RB1 RNH LB1 LNH LB2			RB2			RB2	LS1	LB1 RB1 RS1 RNH		LB2		RB1				
Final Orientation	RB1 LB1 LNH LS1	RB1 LB1 LB2			RB2			RB2	LS1	LS1 LNH LB1 RS1 RNH		LB2		RB1				
Total =	103.24 kcal/mol								77.59 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	92.63 kcal/mol								121.98 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-246.60 kcal/mol								-283.25 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-119.03 kcal/mol								-144.68 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-35.97 kcal/mol								-6.61 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-98.78 kcal/mol								-135.43 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation		LB2 RNH			LS1 LB1		CS			LB2 LS2 LS1		LS2					RB2	
Final Orientation		RNH RS1 RB2			LS1 LB1		CS			LS1 LB1 LS2 LB2		LS2					RB2 RB2	
Total =	86.21 kcal/mol								84.82 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	124.42 kcal/mol								113.31 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-271.66 kcal/mol								-277.48 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-136.06 kcal/mol								-137.45 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-4.17 kcal/mol								-15.29 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-123.83 kcal/mol								-129.66 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation	RS1 RS2	CS RB1 RS1	CS			LB1 CS			LS1 LB1 LS2 LS1					RS2				
Final Orientation	RS1 RS2	CS RB1 RS1	CS			LB1 CS			LS1 LB1 LS2					RS2				
Total =	100.07 kcal/mol								140.28 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	112.26 kcal/mol								136.05 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-260.74 kcal/mol								-250.64 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-122.21 kcal/mol								-82.00 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-16.33 kcal/mol								7.46 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-112.91 kcal/mol								-102.81 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation	RS1	RS1	CS			LB1			LS1	LB2 LB2 LS1 LNH	RB1 RB1 LB1 RNH LNH			RS1				
Final Orientation	RS1	RS1 -NH-	CS RB1			LB1				LB2 LS1	LB1 RB1 RB1 RNH LNH			RS1				
Total =	86.61 kcal/mol								115.20 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	125.71 kcal/mol								121.92 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-273.54 kcal/mol								-252.02 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-135.67 kcal/mol								-107.07 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-2.88 kcal/mol								-6.68 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-125.71 kcal/mol								-104.20 kcal/mol									

**Table 6.53: The solution phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQK region of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Phe19	Phe20	Asp23	His6	Gly9	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Phe20
Initial Orientation	LS2	LS2	RS2	RB1 LB1 LB1 LS1	LS1		RS1 RS2	LS1						RS2		LB1 LS2 LS1 RB1	RB2 RS2		LS2	LS2 RB2	LS2 LB2
Final Orientation	LS2	LS2	RS2 LS2	RB1 LB1 LB1 RS2 LS1 LS2	LS1		RS2 RS1							RS2		LB1 LS2 LS1 RB1 RB2	RB2 RS2		LS2 LS1	LS2 LB2	
Total =	66.28 kcal/mol											62.95 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	109.30 kcal/mol											107.01 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-296.85 kcal/mol											-275.90 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{rot}$ =	-82.85 kcal/mol											-86.18 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-8.88 kcal/mol											-11.17 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-98.17 kcal/mol											-77.22 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation	RS2	RS2		LB1 RB1 RB1 LS2	RB2 RS2		LS2 LS1	LS2								LB1 LS2 LS1 RB1 RS1	RS1		LS2		LB2 LS2
Final Orientation		RS2		LB1 RB1 RB1 RS2 RNH LS2	RB2 RS2		LS1 LS2	LS2								LB1 RB1 RB1 LS1 RS1	RS1		LS1 LS2	LS2 LS2	LS2 LB2
Total =	78.13 kcal/mol											78.00 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	106.48 kcal/mol											113.29 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-278.19 kcal/mol											-286.24 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{rot}$ =	-71.01 kcal/mol											-71.14 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-11.70 kcal/mol											-4.88 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-79.51 kcal/mol											-87.56 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation	RS1			RB1 RS1 RS2 RB2	RS2		LS2 LS1	RS2							RS2	RB1 LS2 LB1 RNH RS2	LB2 LS2		RS1 RS2	LS2 LB1 CS	
Final Orientation	RS2		RS2	RS2 RB2			LS2		LB2				LS2	RS2	RS2	RB1 RS2 RNH LB1 LS2	LS2		RS1 RS2	RB1 CS LB1	
Total =	151.70 kcal/mol											87.59 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	124.41 kcal/mol											101.04 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-225.50 kcal/mol											-289.46 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{rot}$ =	2.56 kcal/mol											-61.54 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	6.24 kcal/mol											-17.14 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-26.82 kcal/mol											-90.78 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation			RS2	RB1 RS2 LB1 LS2	LS2 RB2		RS2 RS1	CS LB1 LS2				LS2 LB2			RS2	RB1 CS RS1 RS2			RS1 RS2		
Final Orientation			RS2	RB1 LS2 LB1 RS2	LB2 LS2		RS1 RS2	LB1 CS				LS2 LS2	LS2		RS2	RB1 RS2 RS1 CS			RB2 RS2 RS1		
Total =	80.87 kcal/mol											93.93 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	111.60 kcal/mol											111.61 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-282.14 kcal/mol											-275.35 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{rot}$ =	-68.27 kcal/mol											-55.21 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =	-6.58 kcal/mol											-6.56 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{ele}$ =	-83.46 kcal/mol											-76.67 kcal/mol									



**Table 6.53: The solution phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQK region of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Arg5	His6	Gly9	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leul7	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leul7	Phe20
Initial Orientation	LS2	LS2 LS1	LB1 CS		CS RS2	RB1 RS1 CS			RS2				RB1 LB1 RS1 LNH	LB2		RS1	LB2	RB2 RS1
Final Orientation	LS2	LS2 LS1	CS		CS RS2	RB1 RS1 RS2			RS2 RB2				LB1 LB2 RB1 RS1 LNH LB2			RS1	RS1 RNH	RB2 RS1
Total =	55.70 kcal/mol										95.16 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =	110.93 kcal/mol										107.05 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-298.49 kcal/mol										-255.24 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-93.44 kcal/mol										-53.98 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-7.25 kcal/mol										-11.13 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Etc}$ =	-99.81 kcal/mol										-56.56 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation					LB2	RB2	RB1 LS2 LB1 RNH RS2	LB2 LS2	RB2 RS2	LS2	RS2	RS2	LS2 LB1	RB2 RS2		LS2		
Final Orientation					LB2		RB1 RS2 LS2 LB1 RNH	LB2 LS2	RB2 RS2	RS2	RS2	RS2	LS2 LB1 RB1 RS2	RB2 RS2		LS2		
Total =	86.78 kcal/mol										80.04 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =	123.63 kcal/mol										110.15 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-281.33 kcal/mol										-275.89 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-62.36 kcal/mol										-69.10 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	5.46 kcal/mol										-8.03 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Etc}$ =	-82.65 kcal/mol										-77.21 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation		RS1	RB1		LS1	LB1 CS LS1			LS2 LS1				LB1 LS2 RB1	RS2		LS2		
Final Orientation		RS1	RB1		LB1 LS1	LB1 CS LS1 LS2			LS2 LS1			RS2	LB1 LS2	RS2		LS2	LS2	
Total =	96.17 kcal/mol										90.98 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =	118.77 kcal/mol										107.51 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =	-281.41 kcal/mol										-278.19 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-52.97 kcal/mol										-58.16 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	0.59 kcal/mol										-10.67 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Etc}$ =	-82.73 kcal/mol										-79.51 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation			LB1 LNH LS1	LS1		RB1	LB2		RB2 RS2									
Final Orientation			LB1 LNH LS1	LB1	LNH	LB1 LS2 LB2	LB2		RB2 RS2									
Total =	115.21 kcal/mol																	
Van der Waals =	129.58 kcal/mol																	
Electrostatic =	-265.31 kcal/mol																	
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-33.93 kcal/mol																	
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	11.40 kcal/mol																	
$\Delta E_{Etc}$ =	-66.63 kcal/mol																	

**Table 6.54: The solution phase results of solapsone interacting with the LVFF region of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Vall2	His13	His14	Lys16	Leu17	Vall8	Phe19	Phe20	His13	His14	Lys16	Leu17	Vall8	Phe19	Phe20	Asp23
Initial Orientation	LS1	LB1 LS1 LNH RB1 RS1	RS1	LS2 LS1	CS RB1			LS2	LB1 LS1	RS2	LS2 LS1	RS2 RB1			LS2 LB2	
Final Orientation	LS1	LB1 LNH RB1 RS1	RS1	LS2 LS1	LB1 CS RB1			LS2	LB1 LB1 LS1 RS2 CS LS2	RS2	LS2	RB1 LS2			LS2 LB2	
Total =		94.40 kcal/mol							98.63 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =		108.60 kcal/mol							102.71 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =		-297.85 kcal/mol							-259.19 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-54.73 kcal/mol							-50.51 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-9.58 kcal/mol							-15.47 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-99.17 kcal/mol							-60.51 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation	LS2 LB2	LS2		LS1 LB1 LNH	RS2 RNH RB1			CS LB1	RS1		LB1 LS1 LNH RB1 RS1			LS2 LS1 LB1	CS RB1 RS2	CS
Final Orientation	LS2 LB2	LS2		LS1 LNH LB2	RB2 RB1			LB1			LB1 RS1 RB1 LNH LS1			LB1 LS1	RS2 RB1 CS	CS
Total =		124.38 kcal/mol							100.40 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =		118.62 kcal/mol							101.49 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =		-254.62 kcal/mol							-243.91 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-24.76 kcal/mol							-48.74 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		0.45 kcal/mol							-16.69 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-55.94 kcal/mol							-45.23 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation		LB1 CS LS1		CS	LB1			RB1								
Final Orientation		CS		CS	LS1 LB1			RB1 RNH								
Total =		164.58 kcal/mol														
Van der Waals =		125.82 kcal/mol														
Electrostatic =		-203.80 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		15.44 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		7.65 kcal/mol														
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-5.12 kcal/mol														

**Table 6.55: The solution phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20
Initial Orientation	LS2	LS2		RB1 LB1 LS2	LS1		RS2 CS LS1							RS1 RS2		LS2 LB2	LB1 RS2 LS2			LS2 LB2	RS2
Final Orientation	LS2 LB2	LB2		RB1 LB1 LS2	LS1		RS2 LS1							RS1 RS2		LS2 LB2	LB1 RS2 LB2 LS2	RB2 RS2		LS2 LB2	RB2 RS2
Total =	113.62 kcal/mol											96.04 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	121.38 kcal/mol											105.89 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-277.13 kcal/mol											-252.91 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-35.52 kcal/mol											-53.10 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	3.21 kcal/mol											-12.29 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =	-78.45 kcal/mol											-54.23 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation			LS2	LS1 LS2 LB2		RB1 LS1				RB2		RS2	LS2	LB1 LS1 RS2 RB1 LS2	RB2		LB1 LS2 LB2		RB1		
Final Orientation			LS2	LS1 LS2 LB2		LB1 RB1 LS1				RB1		LS2	LS1 LS2 LB1 RB1 RS2	RB2		LB2 LS2 LNH LB1	LB1 RB1 RNH				
Total =	65.91 kcal/mol											68.21 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	98.74 kcal/mol											112.63 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-272.65 kcal/mol											-183.64 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-83.22 kcal/mol											-80.93 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-19.44 kcal/mol											-5.54 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =	-73.97 kcal/mol											15.04 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation				RB1 LS2	LS2		RS2 CS LS1							LB1 LS1 CS LS2	RS2		LB2 LS2 RB1	RS2			LB2 LS2
Final Orientation				RB1 LS2	LS2		RS2 CS LB1 LS1							LB1 LS2 LS1 CS RS2	RS2		LB2 LS2	RB1			LB2 LS2
Total =	81.20 kcal/mol											73.74 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	115.81 kcal/mol											112.22 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-274.88 kcal/mol											-283.82 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-67.94 kcal/mol											-75.39 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-2.37 kcal/mol											-5.96 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =	-76.20 kcal/mol											-85.14 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation				RB1 LS2 LB1	LB2		RS2 LS2 LS2	LB2		RS2	LS1			RB1 RS2 LB1 LS1			RS1	LS1			
Final Orientation				RB1 LS2 LB2	LB1		RS2 LS2 LB2	LS2		RS2	LS1			LS1 LB1 RB1 RS2			RS1	LS1			
Total =	92.61 kcal/mol											108.00 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	116.08 kcal/mol											107.26 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-265.70 kcal/mol											-300.86 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-56.52 kcal/mol											-41.13 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-2.10 kcal/mol											-10.92 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =	-67.02 kcal/mol											-102.18 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation		RS1		LS2 LS1 LB1	RS1 RS2		LS2 LS2				LB2 LS2			RB1 LB1 LS1			RB2 LS1 LNH LB1 RNH RS1	LS1		RS1	LB2
Final Orientation		RS1		LB1 LS1 LS2	RS1		LS2 LS2				LB2 LS2			RB1 LB1 LS1			RB2 RS1 RNH LS1	LS1		RS1	LB2
Total =	111.17 kcal/mol											85.58 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	116.32 kcal/mol											107.26 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-251.32 kcal/mol											-273.62 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-37.96 kcal/mol											-63.55 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-1.86 kcal/mol											-10.92 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =	-52.64 kcal/mol											-74.94 kcal/mol									

**Table 6.55: The solution phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Vall2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Vall8	Phe19	Phe20	Vall2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Vall8	Phe19	Phe20
Initial Orientation		RB1 RS2 LB1			LS1	LS1				RS1 RS2 RB2				LB1 RS2				LS1
Final Orientation		LS1 RB1 RS2 LS1 LB1			RS1	LS1				RS2 RS1 RS2				RS1				LS1
Total =		85.08 kcal/mol								74.01 kcal/mol								
Van der Waals =		121.99 kcal/mol								109.00 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =		-278.95 kcal/mol								-281.01 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-64.06 kcal/mol								-75.13 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{VdW}$ =		3.82 kcal/mol								-9.18 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =		-80.27 kcal/mol								-82.33 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation		RB1 LB1 LS1	LS1		RS1	LB1 LNH			RB2 RS1	RS2 LB2 LS2				RB1 RS1 RS2 LS2	LS2			LB1 LS1
Final Orientation		LNH LB1 RB1	LS1		RS1	LB1 RB1 RNH			RS1	RS2 LB2 LS2				RB1 RS1 LS2	LS2			LB1 LS1
Total =		98.79 kcal/mol								104.66 kcal/mol								
Van der Waals =		104.81 kcal/mol								115.21 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =		-258.33 kcal/mol								-266.22 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-50.35 kcal/mol								-44.48 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{VdW}$ =		-13.37 kcal/mol								-2.97 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =		-59.65 kcal/mol								-67.54 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation		LB1 LS1 LS2	RS2		LS2	RS1 RB1 RB2			LB2	LS1				RS1 RB1 RNH LNH LS1				RB2 RS1 RNH RB1
Final Orientation		LS2 LB2	LS2 LB2		RS2 LS2				RS2	LS1				RS1 LB1 RB1 RS1 RNH LNH LS1				RB2 RS1 RNH RB1
Total =		125.61 kcal/mol								96.27 kcal/mol								
Van der Waals =		119.33 kcal/mol								100.62 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =		-238.21 kcal/mol								-260.55 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-23.53 kcal/mol								-52.87 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{VdW}$ =		1.16 kcal/mol								-17.55 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =		-39.53 kcal/mol								-61.87 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation		RB1 LS1 LB1 RNH RS1			RB2 RNH	LS1 LNH LB1			RB2	RS2				RB1 LS2 LB1 RS2				LB2 LS2
Final Orientation		RB1 LS1 LB1 RS1			RB2 RNH	LS1 LB1			RB2	RS2				RB1 LS2 LB1				LS2 LB2
Total =		59.09 kcal/mol								105.51 kcal/mol								
Van der Waals =		98.00 kcal/mol								115.49 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =		-287.23 kcal/mol								-266.74 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-90.04 kcal/mol								-43.62 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{VdW}$ =		-20.18 kcal/mol								-2.69 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =		-88.55 kcal/mol								-68.06 kcal/mol								
Initial Orientation		RB2 RS2	LB1 RS2 LNH LB2		RS1 RS2	LS2 LB2				RS2 LB2 LS2				RB1 LS2 CS RS1 RS2	LS2			LS2 LB1 CS
Final Orientation		RS2	LB1 RS2 RB1 LNH LB2		RS1 RS2	LS2				RS2 LB2 LB2				RB1 RS1 RS2 CS LS2	LS2 LB2			CS LB1 LS2
Total =		108.58 kcal/mol								150.22 kcal/mol								
Van der Waals =		118.01 kcal/mol								136.96 kcal/mol								
Electrostatic =		-251.14 kcal/mol								-252.43 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-40.56 kcal/mol								1.09 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{VdW}$ =		-0.17 kcal/mol								18.78 kcal/mol								
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =		-52.46 kcal/mol								-53.75 kcal/mol								

**Table 6.55: The solution phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1IYT conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20
Initial Orientation	RS2	RB2 RS2		LS2 LB2	RB1 LB1 RS2			LB1 LNH LS1 LB2		RB1 RS2 RS1 CS	LS1		RB2 RS1 RS1	RS1 LB1			RS1
Final Orientation	RS2	RB2 RS2		LS2 LB2	RB1 LB1 RS2			LNH LB1		RB1 RB1 CS RS1 RS2	LS1		RS1 RS2 RB2	RS1			RS1 RB2
Total =		95.08 kcal/mol								152.71 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =		99.70 kcal/mol								126.30 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =		-262.39 kcal/mol								-235.86 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-54.06 kcal/mol								3.57 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-18.48 kcal/mol								8.12 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-63.71 kcal/mol								-37.18 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation		RS2 RB2			LB1 LS2 LNH RS2	RS2 RB2			RB1	RS2			RB1 LS2 RS2			LS2 LB2	RB2
Final Orientation		RS2			LB1 RS2 RS2 LNH	RB2 RS2		RB1		RS2			RB1 LS2 RS2	RB2		LB2 LS2	RB2 RNH
Total =		104.55 kcal/mol								87.19 kcal/mol							
Van der Waals =		114.34 kcal/mol								117.35 kcal/mol							
Electrostatic =		-240.99 kcal/mol								-272.28 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-44.59 kcal/mol								-61.94 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-3.83 kcal/mol								-0.83 kcal/mol							
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-42.31 kcal/mol								-73.60 kcal/mol							
Initial Orientation		RS2			RB1 LS2 RS2			LB2 LS2	RB2								
Final Orientation		RS2			RB1 LS2 RS2	RB2 RS2		LB2	RB2 RS1 RNH								
Total =		70.69 kcal/mol															
Van der Waals =		103.22 kcal/mol															
Electrostatic =		-265.84 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-78.44 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-14.95 kcal/mol															
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-67.16 kcal/mol															

**Table 6.56: The solution phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQK region of the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Gly9	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Ala21
Initial Orientation	CS	CS	LB1 LS1	RS1 RS2		LS2	RS2	RS2	CS	CS		LB1 LS1	RS2 RS1		LS2			
Final Orientation		CS	LB1 CS LS1	RS1 RS2		LS2	RS2	RS2		CS		LB1 LS2	RS1 RS2		LS2			RS2
Total =	61.47 kcal/mol								86.68 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	90.80 kcal/mol								107.33 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-295.15 kcal/mol								-286.32 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-169.52 kcal/mol								-144.31 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-33.01 kcal/mol								-16.48 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =	-143.78 kcal/mol								-134.96 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation		LS2	RS2 LS2	LS2 LB2		RB1 RS1 LS1	LS1		LS1	CS		LB1 LS2 LS1	RB1 CS RS1		LB2 LS2	RS2	RS2	
Final Orientation	LS2	LS2	RS2 LS2	LS1 LS2		RB1 RS1 LB1 LS1	LS1 -NH-			CS		LB1 LS1	RB1 RS2		LB2 LS2	RB2 RS2	RS2	RB2
Total =	105.04 kcal/mol								89.70 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	115.26 kcal/mol								104.70 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-278.29 kcal/mol								-265.21 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-125.95 kcal/mol								-141.29 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-8.55 kcal/mol								-19.11 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =	-126.92 kcal/mol								-113.85 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation	CS	CS	LB1 LS1	RS2 RS1		LS2						RB1 RS1	LS2 LS1		RS1			
Final Orientation	CS	CS	LS1 LB1	RS1 RS2		LS2	RS2 RB2					RB1 RS2 RB1 RS1 RS2	LS2 LS1		RNH RB1 RNH RS1		LS1	
Total =	78.98 kcal/mol								80.91 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	98.36 kcal/mol								107.01 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-270.63 kcal/mol								-286.02 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-152.01 kcal/mol								-150.08 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-25.44 kcal/mol								-16.80 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =	-119.27 kcal/mol								-134.65 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation	RB1		RB1 RNH RS1	LS2 LS1		LS1				CS		LS2 LS1	RB1 RS1		LB2 LS2			
Final Orientation	RB1	CS	RB2 RS1 RNH RB1	LS2 LS1		LS1				CS		LB1 RS1 LS1 LS2	RS2		LB2 LS2		RS2	
Total =	92.66 kcal/mol								96.34 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	103.89 kcal/mol								123.05 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-274.39 kcal/mol								-285.13 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-138.33 kcal/mol								-134.66 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-19.91 kcal/mol								-0.76 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =	-123.03 kcal/mol								-133.76 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation	LB1	LS1	LB1 LNH LB1	LB2 RB1 LS1		RS2	RB1					LS2 LS1	RB2		LS2			RB2
Final Orientation	LB1	LB1 LS1	LB1 LNH RNH	LB2 RB1 LS1		RS2	LB2 RB1	LB2			LS2	LS2 LS1	RS2		LS2 LB2			RB2
Total =	77.71 kcal/mol								99.54 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	106.97 kcal/mol								112.06 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-284.21 kcal/mol								-269.73 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-153.29 kcal/mol								-131.45 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-16.83 kcal/mol								-11.74 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Elec}$ =	-132.85 kcal/mol								-118.37 kcal/mol									

**Table 6.56: The solution phase results of solapsonone interacting with the HHQK region of the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18		Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Ala21	Glu22
Initial Orientation		CS	LS1	RB1		LB1				RS2		RS2	LS1		RS1				
			CS	RS2		LS2						RS1	LS2						
				CS		LS1													
				RS1															
Final Orientation		CS	LS1	RB1		LS2				RS2	CS	RS2	LS1		RS1				LS1
				RB1								RS1	RS1						
				RS2		LS1							LB1						
				CS									LS2						
Total =		81.46 kcal/mol																	
Van der Waals =		98.03 kcal/mol																	
Electrostatic =		-294.67 kcal/mol																	
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-149.53 kcal/mol																	
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =		-25.78 kcal/mol																	
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-143.30 kcal/mol																	
Initial Orientation			LS2	RS2	LS1		RS2					RB2	LNH		RS2			LB2	LB2
				CS	CS		RS1					RS1	LS1		RB1				
							CS					RNH							
												RB1							
Final Orientation			LS2	RS2	LS1		RS1					RB1	LS1		RS2	LS2	LB2	LB2	LB2
				CS	CS		RS2					RNH	LNH			LB1			
							CS					RS1							
												RB2							
Total =		95.97 kcal/mol																	
Van der Waals =		106.83 kcal/mol																	
Electrostatic =		-279.21 kcal/mol																	
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-135.02 kcal/mol																	
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =		-16.98 kcal/mol																	
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-127.84 kcal/mol																	
Initial Orientation				RS2	LB1		RS1	CS				RB2	LS2		RS1				CS
					LS1		CS					RS2			RS2				
					CS										RB1				
Final Orientation		RS2		RS2	LB1		RS1	CS	CS			RB2	CS		RS1				CS
				RB1	LS1							RS2	LS2		CS				
					CS										CS				
Total =		135.81 kcal/mol																	
Van der Waals =		98.88 kcal/mol																	
Electrostatic =		-286.81 kcal/mol																	
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-95.18 kcal/mol																	
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =		-24.92 kcal/mol																	
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-135.45 kcal/mol																	
Initial Orientation				RB2	LB2		RS2	CS	LB2										
				RS1	LNH		CS												
							RB1												
Final Orientation				RB2	LB2		RS2	LB1	LB2										
				RS1	LS1		CS	CS											
					LNH		RB1												
					LB1														
Total =		99.92 kcal/mol																	
Van der Waals =		101.42 kcal/mol																	
Electrostatic =		-260.23 kcal/mol																	
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-131.07 kcal/mol																	
$\Delta E_{vdw}$ =		-22.39 kcal/mol																	
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-108.86 kcal/mol																	

**Table 6.57: The solution phase results of solapsone interacting with the LVFF region of the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His14	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Ala21	Glu22	Asp23	Val24	Lys28	Val12	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Val24	Lys28	
Initial Orientation	LB2	RS1	RB1	LB2									RB2		LS2	LB1	RB2					
Final Orientation	LS1	RNH	LB1										RS2		LB1	RB1						
Total =	123.99 kcal/mol												157.95 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	91.09 kcal/mol												74.05 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-239.26 kcal/mol												-246.76 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-107.00 kcal/mol												-73.04 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-32.71 kcal/mol												-49.76 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-87.90 kcal/mol												-95.40 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation	LB2	LS1	LS1	LB2		RS2	LB2	LB2					RB2		RB2	RB1	LB2		RB1	LS2		
Final Orientation	LS1		LNH			RB2	LB1						RB2		RB2	LB2	LS2		RS2			
Total =	140.06 kcal/mol												180.86 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	89.57 kcal/mol												100.81 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-216.73 kcal/mol												-245.74 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-90.93 kcal/mol												-50.13 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-34.24 kcal/mol												-22.99 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-65.36 kcal/mol												-94.38 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation		LB2	LB2			RB1					RS1							RS1	LB1	LS1	LS1	
Final Orientation		LB2	LNH			LB1				RNH	RS1							RNH	LB1	LS1	LNH	
Total =	123.37 kcal/mol												159.14 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =	103.45 kcal/mol												126.30 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =	-246.04 kcal/mol												-222.41 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-107.62 kcal/mol												-71.85 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-20.35 kcal/mol												2.49 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-94.67 kcal/mol												-71.05 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation			LS2			RB2		RB2	RS2		RS2				RS2							
Final Orientation			LB2		RB2	LS2		RB2	RS2		RS2				RS2							
Total =	165.22 kcal/mol																					
Van der Waals =	107.33 kcal/mol																					
Electrostatic =	-204.46 kcal/mol																					
$\Delta E_{Tot} =$	-65.77 kcal/mol																					
$\Delta E_{Vdw} =$	-16.48 kcal/mol																					
$\Delta E_{Ele} =$	-53.10 kcal/mol																					



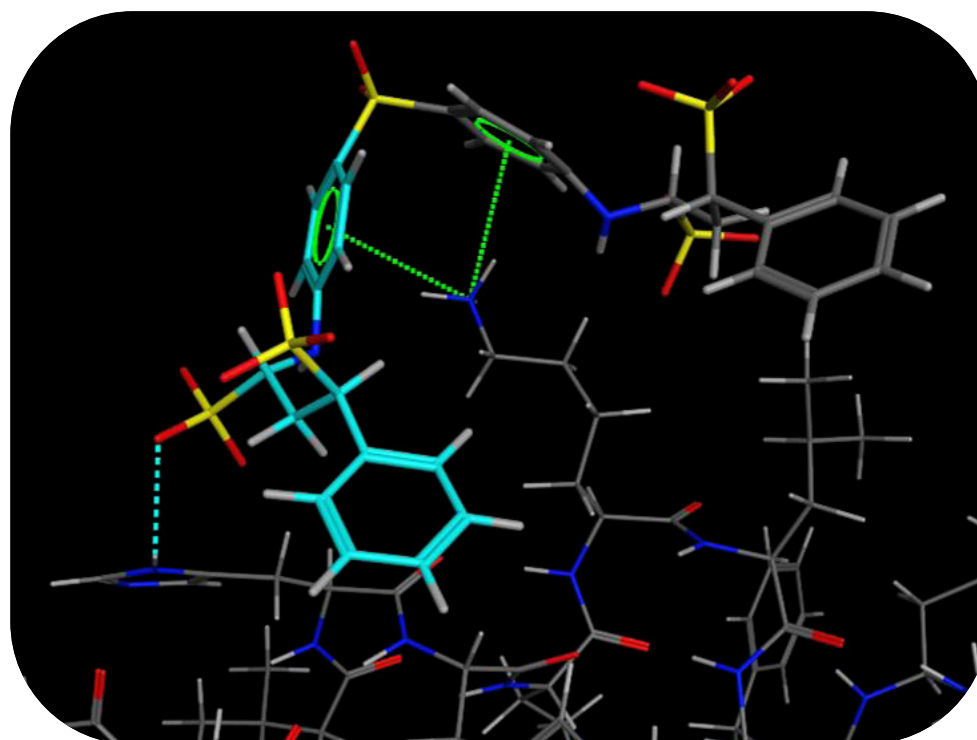
**Table 6.58: The solution phase results of solapsone interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Aib21	Gly9	Tyr10	Val12	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Aib21
Initial Orientation	RS2	LS1		RS1 RS2	LS2				LB2				RS1 RNH RB1	LS1 LB2		RS2	LS1	LS1			LB2
Final Orientation	RB2	LB1		RS1 RS2	LS2	LB2			LB2				RB2 RS1 RNH	LS2		RS2	LS2	LS2			LB2
Total =	93.57 kcal/mol										95.27 kcal/mol										
Van der Waals =	108.79 kcal/mol										101.71 kcal/mol										
Electrostatic =	-279.42 kcal/mol										-260.11 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-137.43 kcal/mol										-135.72 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-15.01 kcal/mol										-22.10 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-128.06 kcal/mol										-108.75 kcal/mol										
Initial Orientation				LB1 RB1 RS2					LB2				LS2	RS2		LS2	RS2				
Final Orientation	RS1			RB1 RS2					LB2				LS2	RB2		RS2	RS2	RS2			
Total =	119.94 kcal/mol										133.89 kcal/mol										
Van der Waals =	120.35 kcal/mol										101.96 kcal/mol										
Electrostatic =	-258.00 kcal/mol										-249.93 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-111.05 kcal/mol										-97.10 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-3.45 kcal/mol										-21.84 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-106.63 kcal/mol										-98.56 kcal/mol										
Initial Orientation	LS2	RB2		LS2					RB2	LS1	LS1		LS1	RB1		LB1	CS	RB1			RS1
Final Orientation	LS2	RB2		RS2	LB1	RB2	RB2		RB2	LB1	CS	LS1	CS	RNH	CS	LS1	LB1				RB1
Total =	127.83 kcal/mol										123.93 kcal/mol										
Van der Waals =	113.03 kcal/mol										112.96 kcal/mol										
Electrostatic =	-241.42 kcal/mol										-242.54 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-103.16 kcal/mol										-107.06 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-10.77 kcal/mol										-10.85 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-90.05 kcal/mol										-91.17 kcal/mol										
Initial Orientation	RS1	LB2		RS2					LB2	RS1	RS2		RS2			LS2	LB2				
Final Orientation	RS1	LB2		RS2					LB2	RS2	RB2		RS1	RS2		LB1	LNH	LS2			
Total =	98.04 kcal/mol										92.59 kcal/mol										
Van der Waals =	112.02 kcal/mol										93.88 kcal/mol										
Electrostatic =	-263.50 kcal/mol										-266.74 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-132.96 kcal/mol										-138.40 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-11.78 kcal/mol										-29.93 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-112.14 kcal/mol										-115.38 kcal/mol										
Initial Orientation	LS2			LB1	RS2								RS1			RS2					LS2
Final Orientation	LS2			RS2	LB1								RS2			LB1					LB2
Total =	113.72 kcal/mol										85.13 kcal/mol										
Van der Waals =	121.57 kcal/mol										98.00 kcal/mol										
Electrostatic =	-269.69 kcal/mol										-271.55 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-117.28 kcal/mol										-145.86 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-2.23 kcal/mol										-25.80 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-118.33 kcal/mol										-120.18 kcal/mol										
Initial Orientation	RS1			RS2					LB2	RB2	RB2		RB2	RNH		LS1	LB1				
Final Orientation	RB2			RS2					LB2	RB2	RS1		RNH	RB1		LS2	LB1				LB1
Total =	148.90 kcal/mol										177.03 kcal/mol										
Van der Waals =	123.58 kcal/mol										90.37 kcal/mol										
Electrostatic =	-252.48 kcal/mol										-249.01 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =	-82.09 kcal/mol										-53.97 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =	-0.23 kcal/mol										-33.43 kcal/mol										
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =	-101.11 kcal/mol										-97.65 kcal/mol										

**Table 6.58: The solution phase results of solapsoe interacting with the HHQKLVFF region of the 1Z0Q conformer of  $\beta$ -amyloid**

	Gly9	Tyr10	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	Val2	His13	His14	Gln15	Lys16	Leu17	Val18	Phe19	Phe20	
Initial Orientation			LB2 LS1	LB2		LB1 RB1	RB2				LS2 LS2	LS1		LB1 LS2	RS2			RS2	RB2	
Final Orientation			LB2 LS1	LB2		LB1 RB1	RB2				LB2 LS2	LS1		LB1 LS2 RB1 RS2	RS2			RS2	RS2 RB2	
Total =		179.90 kcal/mol									134.98 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =		110.11 kcal/mol									86.53 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =		-264.31 kcal/mol									-231.01 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-51.10 kcal/mol									-96.01 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-13.69 kcal/mol									-37.28 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-112.95 kcal/mol									-79.64 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation			LS1 LB1 LNH	LS1 LS1		RB1 LB1 RNH	LS2 LB2	LB2			LNH LS1 LB2		LB2	RB1 LB1 LB2					RB2	
Final Orientation			LS1 LNH* LB1	LS1 LS1		RB1 LB1 RNH	LB2 LB2	LB2			LNH LS1 LB2		LB2	RB1 LB1 LB1						RB2
Total =		104.45 kcal/mol									166.92 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =		104.49 kcal/mol									110.29 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =		-251.10 kcal/mol									-255.24 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-126.54 kcal/mol									-64.07 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-19.32 kcal/mol									-13.52 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-99.74 kcal/mol									-103.88 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation			CS	LB1 LS2 CS LS1		LS1	LB2	LS2			RB2 RB1 RNH RS1		RS2	RB1	LB2					
Final Orientation			CS	LB1 LNH* CS LS1		LS1	LS2	LS2			RB2 RB1 RNH RB1		RS2	RB1	LB2					
Total =		145.19 kcal/mol									117.58 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =		104.62 kcal/mol									103.64 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =		-239.18 kcal/mol									-241.77 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-85.80 kcal/mol									-113.41 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-19.19 kcal/mol									-20.17 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-87.82 kcal/mol									-90.41 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation						LB1 RB1	LB2 LS1			LB2	LS1			RB1 LB1	RS1					
Final Orientation						RB2 RB1	LS1 LB2			LB2	LS1			RB1 LB1	RS1					
Total =		120.12 kcal/mol									142.52 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =		101.57 kcal/mol									110.36 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =		-246.72 kcal/mol									-255.42 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-110.87 kcal/mol									-88.47 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-22.23 kcal/mol									-13.45 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-95.36 kcal/mol									-104.06 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation						RS2 RB1	LS2				LS2			LB1 LS1 RB1	RS1					
Final Orientation						RB2 RB1	LS2 LB2				LS2			LB2 LS2 LB1 RNH RS1	RS1				RS1	
Total =		121.98 kcal/mol									126.28 kcal/mol									
Van der Waals =		111.63 kcal/mol									111.98 kcal/mol									
Electrostatic =		-272.47 kcal/mol									-251.85 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-109.01 kcal/mol									-104.71 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		-12.17 kcal/mol									-11.82 kcal/mol									
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-121.11 kcal/mol									-100.48 kcal/mol									
Initial Orientation				LB1 LNH LS1			LS2												RB2	
Final Orientation				LB1 LNH LS1			LS2												RB2	
Total =		171.88 kcal/mol																		
Van der Waals =		125.38 kcal/mol																		
Electrostatic =		-217.11 kcal/mol																		
$\Delta E_{Tot}$ =		-59.11 kcal/mol																		
$\Delta E_{Vdw}$ =		1.58 kcal/mol																		
$\Delta E_{Ele}$ =		-65.75 kcal/mol																		

The addition of water molecules into the solapsone-A $\beta$  systems has minimal effect on the binding interactions that occur. Overall the electrostatic energies tend to be significantly more favourable than the van der Waals energies in the binding interactions. Solapsone is capable of forming multiple binding interactions within the **HHQK** and **LVFF** regions, as well as overlapping both regions. An example of binding occurring with the **HHQK** region can be seen in Figure 6.7.



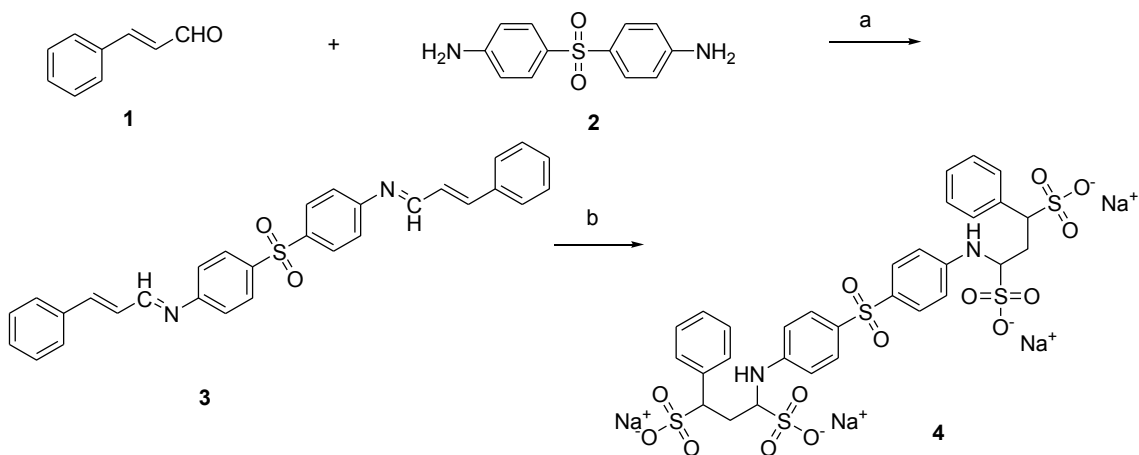
**Figure 6.7: Solapsone interacting with  $\beta$ -amyloid after solution phase optimization. Water molecules have been removed for clarity. Dashed green lines indicate cation- $\pi$  interactions between the aromatic rings and Lys16. The dashed blue line indicates an electrostatic type interaction between one of the sulfonate groups and His13.**

## 6.4 BIOLOGICAL VALIDATION OF SOLAPSONE-Gd<sup>3+</sup> AS AN IMAGING AGENT

Given the positive *in silico* results of solapsonone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> interacting with  $\beta$ -amyloid, as well as solapsonone binding to A $\beta$ , it was determined that solapsonone should be tested for its *in vitro* capacity to bind to the protein.

As solapsonone is no longer commercially available, the compound had to be synthesized and then complexed with gadolinium in a 1:1 and 2:1 ratio of solapsonone to metal ion (*in silico* studies showed that gadolinium could chelate with two solapsonone molecules simultaneously). Solapsonone was synthesized (by Dr. Arun Yadav) via the following scheme in Figure 6.5.

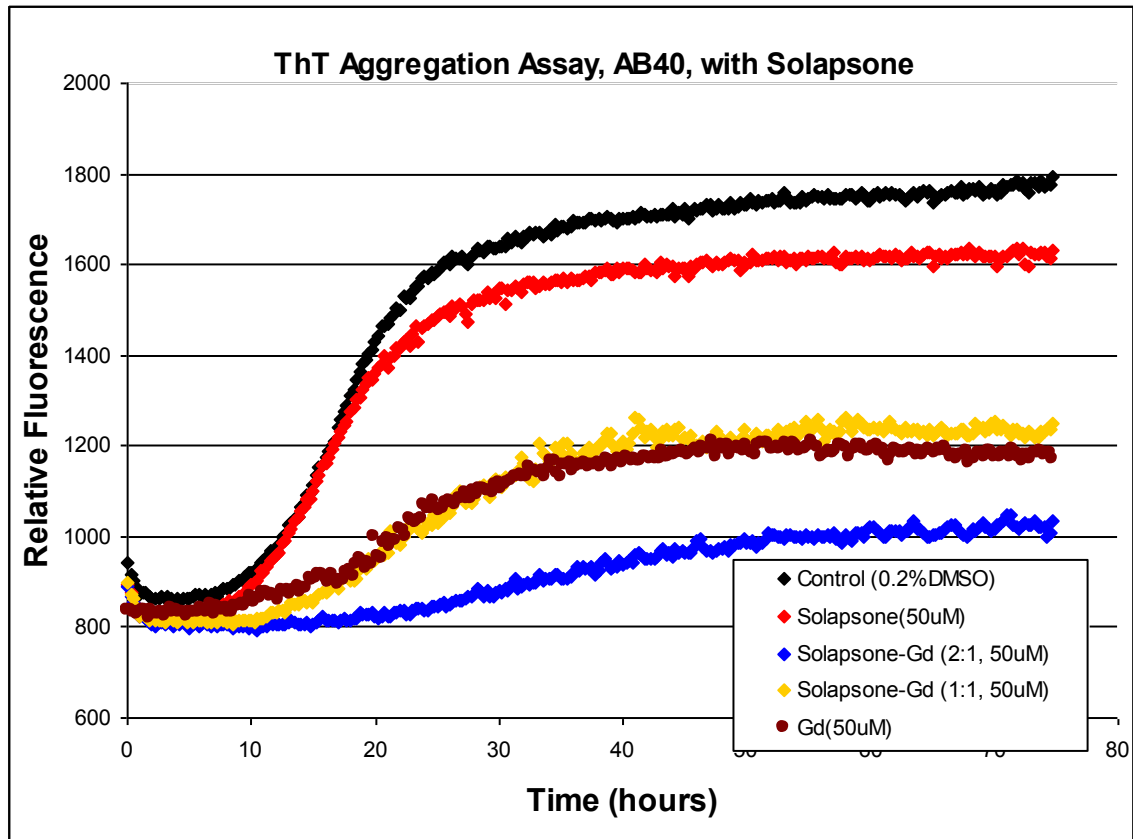
A thioflavin-T assay was performed by Rose Chen to compare the anti-aggregation ability of solapsonone and solapsonone-Gd<sup>3+</sup>. The results are given in Figure 6.9.



Reagent and Conditions: a. 10°C to rt b. NaHSO<sub>3</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>O, 70°C, 90 min.

**Figure 6.8: Synthesis of solapsonone**

A thioflavin-T assay was performed by Rose Chen to compare the anti-aggregation ability of solapsonone and solapsonone-Gd<sup>3+</sup>. The results are given in Figure 6.9.



**Figure 6.9: Thioflavin T assay of solapsonone and solapsonone-Gd<sup>3+</sup>**

The results of the ThT assay show that solapsonone is capable of binding to A $\beta$  to prevent aggregation from occurring. A 1:1 complex of solapsonone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> decreases aggregation significantly, meaning that it can bind to the smaller soluble forms of  $\beta$ -amyloid. The 2:1 complex binds even more strongly to A $\beta$  than the 1:1 complex. Interestingly, gadolinium on its own demonstrates a capacity to inhibit amyloid aggregation; however, the goal is to cure AD, not kill the patient in the process, as would occur with giving patients a heavy metal such as gadolinium. Only miniscule amounts of

gadolinium would be required to complex with solapsone to make a viable imaging agent, and thus would be well tolerated (given gadolinium is used in current MRI agents).

Furthermore, an animal study is underway to test the efficacy of solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> as an imaging agent for MRI. This study involves the use of an APP/PS1 doubly transgenic mouse model of AD. At six months of age, the mice will be injected with the solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> complex at a single dose of 25 mg/kg. MRI images will be captured at 15, 30 and 60 minutes after injection to determine how well the imaging agent performs.

## **6.5 CONCLUSIONS ON SOLAPSONE AS A DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING AGENT FOR ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE**

The *in silico* and *in vitro* studies of solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> as a diagnostic agent are quite favourable. The molecular modelling suggests that solapsone is more than capable of binding to  $\beta$ -amyloid while also chelating a paramagnetic ion such as gadolinium. This is further supported by *in vitro* testing showing a decrease in amyloid aggregation. This truly is a novel diagnostic agent, as all of the currently available imaging agents for AD being developed are being analogued from molecules used to bind to the aggregated forms of  $\beta$ -amyloid, and they only bind to the plaques. Solapsone has already been used in humans, and thus would be more market ready, and given that it binds to the soluble forms of A $\beta$  that are responsible for the disease, it would allow for earlier diagnosis of the disease. The fact that solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> could be used in MRI imaging is also a boon, as most all hospitals have a MRI machine (this is not the case for PET imaging).

Overall solapsone presents itself as an excellent potential imaging agent for Alzheimer's disease, and a provisional patent for the solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> complex (which also includes a novel synthetic route for solapsone) has been filed.

## 6.6 INTERPRETATION

The *in silico* optimization of solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> with different conformations of  $\beta$ -amyloid suggests that the complex can bind to monomeric forms in order to allow for their identification. Solapsone can chelate gadolinium with a binding energy similar to those of known chelators, indicating that the metal-ligand interactions are fairly strong. Binding interactions within the LVFF region sometimes overlapped into the **HHQK** region, and vice versa. For some conformations, the solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> complex did bind outside the **HHQK** region, but it can be seen that this is a result of the complex surrounding the amyloid peptide.

The *in vitro* results support the *in silico* evidence that solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> can bind to A $\beta$  in a monomeric or at least in the soluble forms, as aggregation was inhibited. As the blood vessels in the region of A $\beta$  aggregation become damaged in the disease process, and given the evidence that solapsone can cross the blood-brain barrier, it is entirely possible that this complex will be able to enter the brain and bind to the soluble forms of A $\beta$ , and potentially the plaques as well.

The *in vitro* results also show that a complex ratio of two solapsone molecules to one gadolinium ion can bind to  $\beta$ -amyloid more effectively. *In silico* studies suggest that a variety of orientations are possible for this complex, and it may be that with the 2:1 complex, two or more separate monomers of A $\beta$  could be bound. The decreased

aggregation observed relative to the 1:1 ratio suggests a similar action may be occurring *in vitro*.

The mouse model will allow for *in vivo* verification of this hypothesis, and if it should prove successful will present a readily accessible MRI contrast agent to allow for earlier diagnosis of AD than compounds that are currently available. This is also a favourable complex of interest, as solapsone has a very low toxicity, and chelated gadolinium also has reduced toxicity. The potential side-effects of the administration of this complex may therefore be minimal.

The *in silico* studies also suggest that solapsone can bind to different conformations of  $\beta$ -amyloid on its own. The molecule can interact with both the **HHQK** and LVFF regions, as well as overlapping the two. This is possible as the larger size of solapsone allows it to wrap itself around the amyloid protein to prevent conformational conversion. The binding energies of these systems are also favourable, and multiple binding interactions can form between the protein and small molecule. Although its activity *in vitro* is less than that of complexed solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup>, it does show some capacity to inhibit A $\beta$  aggregation which is a beneficial outcome. Thus a known drug can be repurposed to target other diseases in need of new therapeutic approaches.



# CHAPTER 7: CONCLUSIONS

Through the course of this research computational methods have been used to identify endogenous molecules within the human brain that have the potential to bind to  $\beta$ -amyloid to prevent neurotoxic aggregation from occurring, and the results have potential significance.

## 7.1 PHOSPHOSERINE

Phosphoserine has demonstrated by *in silico* and *in vitro* means that it is capable of binding to the monomeric form of  $\beta$ -amyloid to prevent aggregation. Phosphoserine can also bind to other proteins involved in AD bearing a common **BBXB** motif. In fact, it binds well to these proteins and demonstrated itself as more energetically favourable in binding to them relative to other species that were investigated. Thus phosphoserine may act in a multi-faceted approach, to not only prevent  $A\beta$  aggregation, but inhibit the damaging inflammatory responses that occur.

Further research of phosphoserine as an anti-AD drug is warranted. As the pathways involved in the synthesis and degradation of the molecule are known, drugs could be designed to increase the concentration of phosphoserine in the brain. Phosphoserine could also be used as a lead molecule to develop analogues with even more efficacy.

## 7.2 HHQK AS A TARGET FOR ANTI-ALZHEIMER'S DRUGS

The research presented demonstrates that the **HHQK** region of  $A\beta$ , which plays an important role in the misfolding, is a viable target for anti-AD drugs. The identified

endogenous molecules, such as phenylalanine, dopamine, and 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid, were all capable of binding to **HHQK**, and are of interest for further development. The positive computational results, supported by *in vitro* assays, led to the development of a novel series of analogues of 3HAA, and the activity of these new analogues has been increased. Further QSARs will be performed to continue to improve the efficacy of these drugs.

### 7.3 **BBXB** AND THE “**PROMISCUOUS DRUG**” CONCEPT

The molecular mechanics studies of a series of synthetic molecules interacting with the **BBXB** motif on multiple proteins support the concept of a “promiscuous drug”. All five compounds were capable of binding to the concentrated region of basic amino acids on multiple proteins involved in Alzheimer’s disease. Certain compounds were more efficacious at forming these binding interactions; however, they were all able to target **BBXB**. This supports the concept that a single drug could target multiple proteins involved in the disease process.

One particular compound of interest, NCE-0217, was “analogued” further and a QSAR was performed to provide direction on which compounds should be synthesized next. This process will be repeated as necessary to improve the activity of the molecules.

### 7.4 **EVHHQK** AS A TARGET FOR ANTI-ALZHEIMER’S DRUGS

Studies on the interactions between both endogenous and synthetic molecules with the **EVHHQK** region of  $\beta$ -amyloid support its potential for another binding target to

prevent aggregation. Therefore, small molecules containing both anionic and cationic moieties could interact with EV**HHQK** in a preventative manner.

The results indicate that the anionic groups on these molecules play a role in the strength of binding interactions, where  $\text{SO}_3^- > \text{PO}_3^- > \text{CO}_2^-$ . This indicates that a search for molecules with sulfonate groups would yield compounds with a greater chance of positive binding interactions than those with carboxylate groups. The size of the molecule is also a factor in its ability to bind to  $\beta$ -amyloid, as  $\beta$ -alanine was not as capable as GABA for forming interactions with the protein.

## **7.5 LVFF AS A TARGET FOR ANTI-ALZHEIMER'S DRUGS**

The *in silico* studies of small molecules comparing the binding strength of the **HHQK** region to the LVFF region of  $\beta$ -amyloid demonstrate the viability of LVFF as another drug target. Compounds with aromatic rings are capable of targeting both **HHQK** and LVFF, and may bind even more strongly to the LVFF region of  $A\beta$ . Thus, we can design and develop drug molecules capable of targeting both regions of the protein to better promote stability in the monomeric form.

## **7.6 SOLAPSONE AS AN IMAGING AGENT FOR ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE**

The results of the minimization of solapsonone chelating gadolinium with  $\beta$ -amyloid are favourable for its use as a diagnostic agent. Optimizations in both the gas phase and solution phase demonstrated multiple interactions formed between solapsonone- $\text{Gd}^{3+}$  and the **HHQK** and LVFF regions of  $A\beta$ , which was further supported by *in vitro* results. The

next phase of this project will be to obtain the results of animal study in order to proceed with its development.

Solapsone may also be capable of acting as an amyloid anti-aggregant. The *in silico* studies showed that it would form many binding interactions, not only with **HHQK** or LVFF, but overlapping both regions. It should be quite capable of keeping  $\beta$ -amyloid in its non-toxic form by binding around these regions.

## **7.7 GENERAL CONCLUSIONS**

The use of computational techniques has facilitated the identification, design and development of novel therapeutics for Alzheimer's disease. The identification of endogenous molecules of the brain as anti-Alzheimer's drugs is an approach that has not previously been postulated. These identified compounds have shown great promise as leads in the development of putative anti-AD drugs. Computational methods were also of use in the design and development of novel molecules for inhibiting amyloid aggregation, as they allowed for more focused research and positive results to be obtained with less synthetic cost.

Furthermore, through the use of these computational techniques, the idea of "physinformatics" was developed, this would allow for the discovery of potentially useful molecules based on specific functional groups and electronic arrangements in order to better target an identified region. Drugs may also be repurposed through these means of discovery, as with the identification of solapsone (formerly used to treat leprosy), and its subsequent development as a diagnostic imaging agent for Alzheimer's disease.

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# Appendix 1: The Library of Endogenous Molecules of the Brain

(S)13-hydroxyoctadecadienoic acid	12-hydroxyeicosatetraenoic acid
(S)1-benzyl-1,2,3,4-TIQ	14-desmethyllanosterol
(S)1-phenyl-1,2,3,4-TIQ	15-hydroxyeicosatetraenoic acid
(S)1-phenyl-N-methyl-1,2,3,4-TIQ	16alpha-hydroxydehydroepiandrosterone
(S)-norcoclaurine	16alpha-hydroxyestrone
(S)-reticuline	17alpha-21-dihydroxy-5beta-pregnane-3,11,20-trione
(S)-salsoline	17alpha-hydroxypregnenolone
(S)-salsolinol	17alpha-hydroxyprogesterone
(S)-tetrahydropapaveroline	18-hydroxycorticosterone
1,2,3,4-TIQ	19-hydroxyandrost-4-ene-3,17-dione
1,2-dimethyl-6,7-dihydroxyisoquinolinium	19-hydroxy-PGA1
1,2-N-dimethyl-1,2,3,6-tetrahydroisoquinoline	19-hydroxy-PGA2
1,3-butadiene	19-hydroxy-PGB1
1,3-P-D-glycerate	19-hydroxy-PGB2
10-formylTHF	19-hydroxytestosterone
11beta-17alpha-21-trihydroxy-5beta-pregnane-3,20-dione	1-carboxy(S)salsolinol
11beta-21-dihydroxy-3,20-oxo-5beta-pregnan- 18-al	1D-myo-inositol,1,4,5-P3
11beta-hydroxy-4-androstene-3,17-dione	1L-myo-inositol-1-P
11-cis-retinal	1-lysolecithin
11-deoxycortisol	1-lysophosphatidylethanolamine
11-hydroxyeicosatetraenoic acid	1-methyl-1,2,3,4-THBC
	1-methyl-1,2,3,4-THBC-3-carboxylic acid

1-methylimidazole-4-acetic acid	2-amino-3-carboxymuconatesemialdehyde
1-monoacylglycerol	2-amino-3-oxadipate
1-phosphatidyl-1D-myo-inositol	2-aminomuconate
1-phosphatidyl-1D-myo-inositol-3,4-P2	2-aminomuconatesemialdehyde
1-phosphatidyl-1D-myo-inositol-3P	2-arachidonylglycerol
1-phosphatidyl-1D-myo-inositol-4,5-P2	2-dehydro-3-deoxy-6-P-gluconate
1-phosphatidyl-1D-myo-inositol-4P	2-dehydro-L-gulonolactone
1-pyrroline2-carboxylate	2-deoxyadenosine
1-pyrroline-4-hydroxy-2-carboxylate	2-deoxyadenosine-5-diphosphate
2(N)-methyl-1,2,3,4-TIQ	2-deoxyadenosine-5-phosphate
2(N)-methyl-norsalsolinol	2-deoxyadenosine-5-triphosphate
2,3-dioxo-L-gulonate	2-deoxycytidine
2,3-P-D-glycerate	2-deoxycytidine-5-diphosphate
2,5-dihydroxypyridine	2-deoxycytidine-5-phosphate
2,9-dimethyl-beta-carbolinium	2-deoxycytidine-5-triphosphate
2,9-dimethyl-harmanium	2-deoxy-D-glucose
20-alpha-22-beta-dihydroxycholesterol	2-deoxyguanosine
20-carboxy-LTB4	2-deoxyguanosine-5-diphosphate
20-hydroxy-LTB4	2-deoxyguanosine-5-phosphate
22beta-hydroxycholesterol	2-deoxyguanosine-5-triphosphate
23P-D-glycerateb	2-deoxyinosine
24(S)-hydroxycholesterol	2-deoxyribose
2-alpha-hydroxyethyl-ThPP	2-deoxythymidine
2-alpha-lactoyl-ThPP-r	2-deoxythymidine-5-diphosphate
2-alpha-lactoyl-ThPP-s	2-deoxythymidine-5-phosphate

2-deoxythymidine-5-triphosphate	2-oxo-3-methylvalerate
2-deoxyuridine	2-oxo-5-aminovalerate
2-deoxyuridine-5-diphosphate	2-oxoadipate
2-deoxyuridine-5-phosphate	2-oxobutyrate
2-deoxyuridine-5-triphosphate	2-oxoglutaramate
2-hydroxy-3-ketoadipate	2-oxoglutarate
2-hydroxy-3-oxoadipate	2-oxoisocaproate
2-hydroxyestradiol-17b	2-oxoisovalerate
2-hydroxyestrone	2-P-D-glycerate
2-hydroxyglutarate	3,3,5-triiodothyronine
2-hydroxyputrescine	3,3-diiodothyronine
2-hydroxystearic acid	3,4,5-trihydroxy-2-oxo-L-valeraldehyde
2-lysolecithin	3,4-dihydroxy-5-decaprenylbenzoate
2-lysophosphatidylethanolamine	3,4-dihydroxy-5-heptaprenylbenzoate
2-methoxyestradiol-17b	3,4-dihydroxy-5-hexaprenylbenzoate
2-methoxyestrone	3,4-dihydroxy-5-nonaprenylbenzoate
2-methyl-3-hydroxybutyryl CoA	3,4-dihydroxy-5-octaprenylbenzoate
2-methylacetoacetyl CoA	3,4-Dihydroxyphenylglycol
2-methyl-beta-carbolinium	3,5,3-triiodothyronine
2-methylbutyryl CoA	3,5-diiodothyronine
2-methyl-harmanium	3alpha-11beta-21-trihydroxy-20-oxo-5beta-pregnan-18-al
2-methylheptanone	3alpha-17beta-dihydroxyandrostane
2-methyl-THBC	3alpha-hydroxy-5beta-pregnan-20-one
2-monoacylglycerol	3beta-17beta-dihydroxy-5-androstene
2-octyl-gamma-bromoacetoacetate	3beta-dimethylallyl alcohol

3-dehydro-L-gulonate	3-methylcrotonate
3-dehydrosphinganine	3-methylcrotonyl CoA
3-dehydrothreonate	3-O-acetyl-sphingosine
3-hydroxyanthranilate	3-O-methyl-sphingosine
3-hydroxyisobutyrate	3-O-sulfoglucuronic acid
3-hydroxy-L-kynurenine	3-P-D-glycerate
3-hydroxypyruvate	3-phosphatidylethanolamine
3-hydroxytrimethyllysine	3-phosphatidyl-L-glycerol-1P
3-iodothyronine	3-P-hydroxypyruvate
3-isopropylmalate	3-P-serine
3-mercaptopyruvate	3-sulfinoalanine
3-methoxy-4-hydroxy-5-decaprenylbenzoate	3-sulfinylpyruvate
3-methoxy-4-hydroxy-5-heptaprenylbenzoate	3-ureidoisobutyrate
3-methoxy-4-hydroxy-5-hexaprenylbenzoate	3-ureidopropionate
3-methoxy-4-hydroxy-5-nonaprenylbenzoate	4,7,10,13,16,19-docosahexenoic acid
3-methoxy-4-hydroxy-5-octaprenylbenzoate	4-aminobutyraldehyde
3-methoxy-4-hydroxymandelaldehyde	4-aminobutyrate
3-methoxy-4-hydroxymandelate	4-androstene-3,17-dione
3-methoxy-4-hydroxyphenylethyleneglycolsulfate	4-aspartyl-P
3-methoxy-4-hydroxyphenylglycol	4-fumarylacetoacetate
3-methoxy-DOPA	4-hydroxy-3-decaprenylbenzoate
3-methoxytyramine	4-hydroxy-3-heptaprenylbenzoate
	4-hydroxy-3-hexaprenylbenzoate
	4-hydroxy-3-methoxyphenylalanine
	4-hydroxy-3-nonaprenylbenzoate



4-hydroxy-3-octaprenylbenzoate	5-formaminoimidazole-4-carboxamide ribotide
4-hydroxynonenal	5-formyl THF
4-hydroxyphenylpyruvate	5-hete
4-hydroxytrimethyllysine	5-hpete
4-imidazolone-5-propionate	5-hydroxyindoleacetaldehyde
4-maleylacetoacetate	5-hydroxyindoleacetate
4-pyridoxate	5-hydroxytryptophan
5,10-methenyl-THF	5-hydroxytryptophol
5,10-methylene-THF	5-methoxy-N,N-dimethyltryptamine
5,6-dihetre	5-methyl THF
5,6-dihydrouracil	5-methylcytosine
5,6-epete	5-methyltetrahydrofolate
5,7-cholestadien-3-ol	5-oxoproline
5alpha-androstane-3,17-dione	5-P-B-D-ribosylamine
5alpha-androstane-3alpha-7beta-diol	5-S-cysteinyl-3,4-dihydroxyphenylacetic acid
5alpha-dihydrotestosterone	5-S-cysteinyl-3,4-dihydroxyphenylalanine
5alpha-pregnan-3alpha-ol-20-one	5-S-cysteinyl dopamine
5alpha-pregnane-3,20-dione	6-acetylmorphine
5-aminoimidazole ribotide	6-amino-2-oxohexanoate
5-aminoimidazole-4-carboxamide ribotide	6-hydroxymelatonin
5-aminoimidazole-4-Nsuccinylcarboxamide ribotide	6-hydroxymelatonin sulfate
5-amino-levulinate	6-hydroxynicotinate
5beta-androstane-3,17-dione	6-ketoprostaglandin,F2alpha
5beta-pregnane-3,20-dione	6-methoxy-2-decaprenylphenol
	6-methoxy-2-heptaprenylphenol

6-methoxy-2-hexaprenylphenol	adenosine-5-phosphosulfate
6-methoxy-2-nonaprenylphenol	adenylosuccinate
6-methoxy-2-octaprenylphenol	ADP
6-methoxytryptoline	ADP-glucose
6-R-5,6,7,8-tetrahydrobiopterin	Adrenic acid
6-R-pyruvoylterahydropterin	adrenosterone
6-S-acetyl-dihydrolipoamide	alcyglycerone-P
7,8-diaminononanoate	aldimine
7,8-dihydrofolate	aldosterone
7-dehydrocholesterol	aldosterone-hemiacetal-R
8-amino-7-oxononanoate	aldosterone-hemiacetal-S
9-hydroxyoctadecadienoic acid	alkylacylglycerol
acetaldehyde	alkylglycerol-3P
acetate	alkylglycerone-P
acetoacetate	all-trans retinal
acetoacetylCoA	allo-4-hydroxy-D-proline
acetyl-CoA	alpha-aminobutyric acid
acetylcholine	alpha-carotene
acetylcholine-solv	alpha-D-fucose
acetyl-L-carnitine	alpha-D-galactose
acetylputrescine	alpha-D-galactose-1-P
aconitate	alpha-D-GalNAc
adenine	alpha-D-GlcNAc
adenosine	alpha-D-glucosamine
adenosine-5-phosphate	alpha-D-glucose-1-6P

alpha-D-glucose-1P	anthranilate
alpha-D-glucose-6P	APS
alpha-D-glucuronate	Arachidic acid
alpha-D-glucuronate-f	Arachidonic acid
alpha-D-mannose	ARA-S
alpha-D-mannose-6P	ATP
alpha-D-mannose-6-P	auxin
alpha-D-ribose-1-phosphate	behenic acid
alpha-D-ribose5-P	beta-alanine
alpha-glycero-P	beta-aminoisobutyrate
alpha-ketoadipate	beta-carotene
alpha-L-fucose	beta-D-fructose-1-6P
alpha-tocopherol	beta-D-fructose-1P
alpha-tocopherol-quinone	beta-D-fructose-6P
alph-hydroxy-nervonic acid	beta-D-fucose
aminoacrylate	beta-D-GalNAc
aminobutanesulfonic acid	beta-D-GlcNAc
aminomethanesulfonic acid	beta-D-glucosamine
aminopentanesulfonic acid	beta-D-glucuronate
ammonia	beta-D-glucuronate-f
anandamide	beta-estradiol
androst-4-enedione	beta-hydroxybutyric acid
androstenediol	betaine
androstenedione	betaine aldehyde
androsterone	beta-L-fucose

beta-N-acetylgalactosamine	cerebronic acid-S
beta-phenylethylamine	cerebroside
beta-sulfopyruvate	cGMP
bicarbonate	cholesterol
bilirubin	choline
biliverdin IXa	cisaconitate
bilirubin-B-diglucuronide	cis-vaccenic acid
biotin	citrate
c18-sphingosine	CMP-N-acetylneuraminate
calcitriol	CoA-SH
cAMP	coproporphyrinogen III
campesterol	cortexone
carbamate	corticosterone
Carbamoyl-P	cortisol
carbamoyl-P	cortisone
carbon dioxide	cortol
carboxyaminoimidazole ribotide	cortolone
carnitine	creatine
carnosine	creatinine
CDP-1,2-diacyl-glycerol	crotonyl-CoA
CDP-choline	cyclohexa-2,5-diene-1,4-dione
CDP-ethanolamine	cyclo-L-His-L-Pro
ceramide-C18	cyclo-L-Gly-L-Pro
cerebrodiene	cytidine
cerebronic acid-R	cytidinediphosphate choline

cytidine-5-diphosphate	D-gluconate
cytidine-5-phosphate	D-glucono-1,5-lactone
cytidine-5-triphosphate	D-glucosamine-6-P
cytochromes-a	D-glucose
cytosine	D-glucuronate
D-3-hydroxybutyrate	D-glucuronate-1-P
d3-isopentenyl-PP	D-glucuronolactone
D-4-hydroxy-2-oxoglutarate	D-glyceraldehyde
d5,7,24-cholestadien-3beta-ol	D-glyceraldehyde-3-P
D-6-P-gluconate	D-glyceraldehyde-3P
D-6-P-glucono-1,5-lactone	D-glycerate
d7,24-cholestadien-3beta-ol	DHA
deamino-NAD+	DHF
dehydroascorbate	diacylglycerol
dehydroepiandrosterone	dihomo-gamma-linolenic acid
dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate	dihydroceramide
dephosphoCoA-SH	dihydrolipoamide
D-erythrose-4P	dihydroneopterin
desmosterol	dihydroneopterin-P3
dethiobiotin	dihydrosphingosine-1-P
dexamthasone	dihydrothymine
D-fructose	dihydrouracil
D-fructose2-6P	dihydroxyacetone-P
D-GalNAcol	dihydroxyphenylacetate
D-glucarate	diiodo-L-tyrosine

dimethylglycine	D-xylulose
dimethylallyl-PP	D-xylulose-5-P
dimethylcitrate	D-xylulose-a
diphosphate	D-xylulose-b
diphosphatidylglycerol	Eicosapentaenoic acid
D-lactate	Eicosatrienoic acid
DL-dipalmitoyllecithin	enoloxaloacetate
D-mannose	epinephrine
Docosahexaenoic acid	estradiol
Dopa	estriol
dopamine	estrone
Dopaquin	ethanol
D-pantothenic acid	ethanolamine
D-proline	ethanolamine-P
D-ribitol	etiocholan-3alpha-ol-17-one
D-ribose	FAD
D-ribose-5-P	FADH2
D-ribulose	f-aminoevulinic acid
D-ribulose-5-P	fatty acid C16
D-ribulose-a	fatty acid C18
D-ribulose-b	fatty acid C20
D-sedoheptulose-7-P	fatty acid C22
D-serine	fatty acid C23
D-sorbitol	fatty acid C24
D-xylose	fatty acid C25

fatty acid D11-C20-1	GDP-alpha-L-fucose
fatty acid D13-C22-1	GDP-D-mannose
fatty acid D6,9-C18-2	geranyl-PP
fatty acid D8,11-C20-2	globotriaosylceramide
fluorocitrate	glucosylceramide
FMN	glutaconyl-CoA
folic acid	glutamate
formic acid	glutaryl-CoA
formimglutglutamate	glyceraldehyde-P
formylglycinamide ribotide	glycero-3-phosphoethanolamine
formylglycinamide ribotide	glycero-3-phosphoethanolamine
fumarate	glycerol
GABA	glycerol-3P
galabiosylceramide	glycerol-3-phosphoethanolamine
galactitol	glycerone-P
galactosylceramide	GlyceroneP
galactosylceramide	glycerophosphoethanolamine
galactosylceramide sulfate	glycinamide ribotide
galactosylsphingosine	glycine
gamma-butyrobetaine	glycogen
gamma-hydroxybutyric acid	glycolate
gangliosylceramide	glyoxylate
GDP	GSH
GDP-4-dehydro-6-deoxy-D-mannose	GSSG
GDP-4-dehydro-L-fucose	GTP

guanine	inosine-5-phosphate
guanosine	inositol-1,3,4,5,6-P5
guanosine-5-phosphate	inositol-1,3,4,5-P4
harman	inositol-1,3,4,6-P4
histamine	inositol-1,3,4-P3
homogentisate	inositol-1,3-P2
homotaurine	inositol-1,4,5,6-P4
homovanillate	inositol-1,4,5-P3
hydantoin propionate	inositol-1,4-P2
hydrogen phosphate	inositol-1-P
hydrogen sulfide	inositol-3,4,5,6-P4
hydroperoxide	inositol-3,4-P2
hydroxymethylbilane	inositol-3-P
hydroxypyruvate	inositol-4-P
hypochlorite	isobutyryl CoA
hypotaurine	isocaproic aldehyde
hypoxanthine	isocitrate
imidazole acetaldehyde	isoethionic acid
imidazole acetate	isoleucine
indole-3-acetic acid	isovaleric acid
Indole-5,6-Quinone	isovaleryl CoA
indoleacetaldehyde	itaconate
indolelactate	ketamine
indolepyruvate	kynurenate
inosine	L-1-glycero-3-phosphocholine



L-1-pyrroline-2-carboxylate	lecithin
L-1-pyrroline-3-hydroxy-5-carboxylate	L-erythro-4-hydroxyglutamate
L-1-pyrroline-5-carboxylate	L-erythro-ascorbate
L-2-aminoacetoacetate	leu enkephalin
L-2-aminoadipate	leucine
L-4-hydroxyproline	leukotriene B4
L-5-hydroxylysine	leukotriene C4
lactotriaosulceramide	leukotriene D4
lactosylceramide	leukotriene E4
L-alanine	L-gamma-carboxyglutamate
lanosterol	L-gamma-glutamylalanine
L-arabinose	L-gamma-glutamylarginine
L-arginine	L-gamma-glutamylasparagine
L-argininosuccinate	L-gamma-glutamylaspartate
L-ascorbate	L-gamma-glutamylcysteine
L-asparagine	L-gamma-glutamylglutamate
L-aspartate	L-gamma-glutamylglutamine
lathosterol	L-gamma-glutamylglycine
lauric acid	L-gamma-glutamylhistidine
L-citrulline	L-gamma-glutamylisoleucine
L-cystathionine	L-gamma-glutamylleucine
L-cysteate	L-gamma-glutamyllycine
L-cysteine	L-gamma-glutamylmethionine
L-cysteinylglycine	L-gamma-glutamylphenylalanine
L-DOPA	L-gamma-glutamylproline

L-gamma-glutamylserine	L-proline
L-gamma-glutamylthreonine	L-ribulose-5-P
L-gamma-glutamyltryptophan	L-selenocysteine
L-gamma-glutamyltyrosine	L-serine
L-gamma-glutamylvaline	L-threonate
L-glutamate	L-thyroxine
L-glutamate-5-semialdehyde	L-tryptophan
L-glutamine	lysophosphatidate
L-glutamyl-5P	malate
L-glutamyl-5-P	maleamate
L-gulonate	maleate
L-gulonolactone	malonate
L-histidine	malondialdehyde
L-homocysteine	malonylCoA
L-iduronic acid	mannose-1-P
lignoceric acid	mannosylglucosylceramide
linoleamide	melatonin
linoleic acid	met enkephalin
linolenic acid	metanephrine
L-kynurenine	methacrylyl CoA
L-lactate	methanol
L-lysine	methionine
L-ornithine	methionine sulfone
L-oxosuccinamate	methtryptoline
L-phosphatidate	mevalonate

mevalonate-5P	N-acetyl-aspartate
mevalonate-5PP	N-acetylaspartatic acid
MoCo-dimer	N-acetyl-D-glucosamine
MoCo-dimer-ADP	N-acetyl-D-glucosamine-1-P
MoCo-dimer-ADPx2	N-acetyl-D-glucosamine-6-P
MoCo-dimer-CDP	N-acetyl-D-mannosamine
MoCo-dimer-CDPx2	N-acetyl-D-mannosamine-6-P
MoCo-dimer-GDP	N-acetyl-L-lysine
MoCo-dimer-GDPx2	N-acetylneuraminate
MoCo-dimer-hypoxanthineDP	N-acetylneuraminate-9-P
MoCo-dimer-hypoxanthineDPx2	N-acetyl-spermidine
MoCo-O	N-acetyl-spermine
MoCo-O-ADP	NAD+
MoCo-O-CDP	NADH
MoCo-O-GDP	NADP+
MoCo-O-hypoxanthineDP	NADPH
monoiodo-L-tyrosine	N-carbamoyl-L-aspartate
MPT	nervonic acid
myo-inositol	N-formylkynurenine
myo-inositol-hexakisphosphate	nicotinamide
myo-inositol-1,2-cyclic-P	nicotinamide nucleotide
myo-inositol-5-phosphate	nicotinate
myristic acid	nicotinate nucleotide
N,N-dimethyltryptamine	nitric oxide
N-acetyl-5-hydroxytryptamine	N-methylhistamine

N-methyl-norsalsolinol	palmitoleic acid
N-oleoylethanolamine	palmitoylCoA
norepinephrine	pantetheine
norharman	PAP
normetanephrine	PAPS
N-palmitoylethanolamine	P-creatine
N-stearoylethanolamine	PEP
Nw-hydroxyarginine	phenylalanine
o-acetylcholine	phenyllactate
oleamide	Phenyl-Pyruvate
oleic acid	phosphatidylethanolamine
oleylCoA	phosphatidylinositol
o-phosphocholine	phosphatidylserine
o-phospho-ethanolamine	phosphatidylserine-dioleic
orotate	phosphatidylserine-distearic
orotidine-5-phosphate	phosphatidylserine-oleic-stearic
O-succinyl-acetyl-L-homoserine	phosphatidylserine-stearic-oleic
oxalate	phosphocholine
oxaloacetate	phosphorylethanolamine
oxalocrotonate	phtanic acid-R
oxalosuccinate	phtanic acid-S
oxidized alpha-lipoic acid	phytanic acid
oxytocin	phytate
PAF	picolinate
palmitic acid	pipecolic acid

plasmalogen	protoheme
plasmanylcholine	protoporphyrin IXmsf
plasmanylethanolamine	protoporphyrinogen IX
porphobilinogen	PRPP
porphobilinogen derivative	pseudouridine
precursor-z	psychosine
pregnanediol	pterin-4alpha-carbinolamine
pregnenolone	pterine-6-carboxylate
pregnenolone sulfate	putrescine
previtamin D3	pyridoxal
procollagen-5-hydroxy-L-lysine	pyridoxal-P
progesterone	pyridoxamine
propionyl-CoA	pyridoxamine-5-P
prostaglandin A1	pyridoxamine-P
prostaglandin A2	pyridoxine
prostaglandin B1	pyridoxine-P
prostaglandin B2	pyruvate
prostaglandin D2	quinoid
prostaglandin E1	quinolate
prostaglandin E2	quinolate
prostaglandin E3	quinolate nucleotide
prostaglandin F1a	r-3-aminoisobutyrate
prostaglandin F2alpha	r-4P-N-pantothenoylcysteine
prostaglandin G2	r-4P-pantetheine
prostaglandin I2	r-4P-pantothenate

retinoate	sphingomyelin-C16
r-methylmalonyl-CoA	sphingomyelin-C17
r-pantothenate	sphingomyelin-C19
r-pantothenol	sphingomyelin-C20
s-3-aminoisobutyrate	sphingomyelin-C21
s-3-hydroxy-3-methylglutaryl CoA	sphingomyelin-C22
s-3-hydroxyisobutyrate	sphingomyelin-C22-1
s-3-hydroxyisobutyryl CoA	sphingomyelin-C23
s-4,5-dihydro-orotate	sphingomyelin-C23-1
s-adenosyl-L-homocysteine	sphingomyelin-C24
s-adenosyl-L-methionine	sphingomyelin-C25
sarcosine	sphingomyelin-C25-1
serotonin	sphingomyelin-C26
sialolactosylceramide	sphingomyelin-C26-1
s-malate	sphingomyelin-nervonic acid
s-methylmalonate semialdehyde	sphingomyelin-stearic acid
s-methylmalonyl-CoA	sphingosine
sn-glycerol3P	sphingosine-1-P
sn-glycerol-3P	sphingosylphosphorylcholine
spermidine	spiro-intermediate
spermine	squalene
sphinganine	s-squalene-2,3-epoxide
sphinganine	stearic acid
sphingomyelin	stearoylCoA
sphingomyelin-C14	stigmasterol

succinate	trans-3-methylglutaconyl CoA
succinate semialdehyde	TRH
succinylCoA	triacylglyceride
sulfate	trimethyllysine
sulfatide	triphosphate
sulfite	triphosphoinositide-arachidonic-eicosatrienoic
taurine	triphosphoinositide-diarachidonic
testosterone	triphosphoinositide-diC16
thebaine	triphosphoinositide-dieicosapentaenoic
THF	triphosphoinositide-dieicosatrienoic
thiamine	triphosphoinositide-dioleic
thiamine pyrophosphate	triphosphoinositide-distearic
thiamine-P	triphosphoinositide-eicosapentaenoic-C16
thiocyanic acid	triphosphoinositide-oleic-stearic
thiocysteine	tryptamine
threonine	tryptoline
thromboxane A2	tryptophol
thromboxane B2	tyramine
thymidine	tyrosine
thymidylic acid	ubiquinol-10
thymine	ubiquinol-6
tiglyl CoA	ubiquinol-7
trans-trans-cis-geranylgeranyl-PP	ubiquinol-8
trans-trans-farnesol	ubiquinol-9
trans-trans-farnesyl-PP	ubiquinone-10

ubiquinone-6	vitamin D2
ubiquinone-7	vitamin D3
ubiquinone-8	vitamin E
ubiquinone-9	vitamin K hydroquinone
UDP-D-glucuronate	vitamin K quinone
UDP-glucose	vitamin K quinone epoxide
UDP-G-glucuronate	xanthine
UDP-L-iduronate	xanthosine
UDP-N-acetyl-D-glucosamine	xanthosine-5-phosphate
UDP-N-acetyl-galactosamine	xanthurenate
uracil	zymosterol
urate	(peptide/AminoAcid)=AA
urate enolate	(peptide/AminoAcid)=AAKAAI
uridine	(peptide/AminoAcid)=Ac-alpha-DE, "NAAG"
uridine-5-diphosphate	(peptide/AminoAcid)=Ac-DQYG-NH2
uridine-5-phosphate	(peptide/AminoAcid)=AGPE
uridine-5-triphosphate	(peptide/AminoAcid)=AL
urocanoate	(peptide/AminoAcid)=alpha-DA
urocortisol	(peptide/AminoAcid)=ANKFNKEQ
urocortisone	(peptide/AminoAcid)=AVL
uroporphyrinogen I	(peptide/AminoAcid)=AYYF
uroporphyrinogen III	(peptide/AminoAcid)=beta-A-alpha-hyp
valine	(peptide/AminoAcid)=beta-A-alpha-K
vasopressin	(peptide/AminoAcid)=beta-A-L-methyl-H, "anserine"
vitamin A	(peptide/AminoAcid)=beta-AH, "carnosine"



(peptide/AminoAcid)=beta-D-Taurine

(peptide/AminoAcid)=beta-DG

(peptide/AminoAcid)=CG

(peptide/AminoAcid)=cyclo-PG

(peptide/AminoAcid)=DA

(peptide/AminoAcid)=DKGNV, "alpha-globin6-10"

(peptide/AminoAcid)=EEP

(peptide/AminoAcid)=EFP-NH2, "Phe2TRH"

(peptide/AminoAcid)=EGEPNL

(peptide/AminoAcid)=EHP, "TRH-deamidated-non-pyro"

(peptide/AminoAcid)=EHP-NH2, "TRH"

(peptide/AminoAcid)=EHPG, "TRH-Gly"

(peptide/AminoAcid)=ELFNPY, "chrogranin-B-precursor520-526"

(peptide/AminoAcid)=ELP-NH2, "Leu2-TRH"

(peptide/AminoAcid)=ETP-NH2, "Thr2-TRH"

(peptide/AminoAcid)=EV

(peptide/AminoAcid)=EVGGEAL, "beta-globin21-27"

(peptide/AminoAcid)=EVGGEALG, "beta-globin21-28"

(peptide/AminoAcid)=EVP-NH2, "Val2-TRH"

(peptide/AminoAcid)=EYP-NH2, "Tyr2-TRH"

(peptide/AminoAcid)=FGFQKVP

(peptide/AminoAcid)=FISNHAY

(peptide/AminoAcid)=FIVH, "GTP-ase-activator304-307"

(peptide/AminoAcid)=FL

(peptide/AminoAcid)=FLPGH

(peptide/AminoAcid)=FPNEPM

(peptide/AminoAcid)=FRNPLAK

(peptide/AminoAcid)=Gaba-hypusine

(peptide/AminoAcid)=Gaba-K

(peptide/AminoAcid)=Gaba-L-methyl-H, "homoanserine"

(peptide/AminoAcid)=Gaba-H, "Homocarnosine"

(peptide/AminoAcid)=gamma-E-beta-Aib

(peptide/AminoAcid)=gamma-E-cysteate-G

(peptide/AminoAcid)=gamma-E-Gaba

(peptide/AminoAcid)=gamma-E-Taurine

(peptide/AminoAcid)=gamma-QE

(peptide/AminoAcid)=gamma-ECG, "glutathione, GSH"

(peptide/AminoAcid)=GG

(peptide/AminoAcid)=GGE, "beta-globin23-25"

(peptide/AminoAcid)=GKNVP, "cytochrome-c-oxidase-precursor-chain-VIIA32-40"

(peptide/AminoAcid)=GQ

(peptide/AminoAcid)=GQFFE

(peptide/AminoAcid)=GVFTPP

(peptide/AminoAcid)=GWMDF-NH2, "CCK-5"	(peptide/AminoAcid)=LVVYPWT, "beta-globin32-38"
(peptide/AminoAcid)=HP-DKP, "HP-Diketopiperazine=TRH-metab"	(peptide/AminoAcid)=LVVYPWTQ, "beta-globin32-39"
(peptide/AminoAcid)=IEG	(peptide/AminoAcid)=MLT, "beta-globin1-3"
(peptide/AminoAcid)=IEWNPS, "cytochrome-c-oxidase-VIIB70-75"	(peptide/AminoAcid)=MLTAEKA, "beta-globin1-8"
(peptide/AminoAcid)=INLFFIVL	(peptide/AminoAcid)=NKVP, "cytochrome-c-oxidase-VIIA12-15"
(peptide/AminoAcid)=INNPFIL	(peptide/AminoAcid)=pEHP, "TRH-deamidated"
(peptide/AminoAcid)=KIPYIL, "Neuromedin-N"	(peptide/AminoAcid)=pEHP-NH2, "TRH"
(peptide/AminoAcid)=KV	(peptide/AminoAcid)=pEHGP, "TRH-Gly"
(peptide/AminoAcid)=KVNP, "beta-globin16-20"	(peptide/AminoAcid)=PLFP
(peptide/AminoAcid)=LEPPP	(peptide/AminoAcid)=PLG-NH2, "MIF-1"
(peptide/AminoAcid)=LG	(peptide/AminoAcid)=PVDNSSP
(peptide/AminoAcid)=LL	(peptide/AminoAcid)=S-methyl-gamma-ECG, "S-methylglutathione"
(peptide/AminoAcid)=LMYP	(peptide/AminoAcid)=SRDKR-NH2
(peptide/AminoAcid)=LS	(peptide/AminoAcid)=SV
(peptide/AminoAcid)=LSAL, "5-HT-moduline"	(peptide/AminoAcid)=SVQCFFGG, "aldehyde-dehydrogenase461-468"
(peptide/AminoAcid)=LSHSL, "alpha-globin101-105"	(peptide/AminoAcid)=TQLPAEEI
(peptide/AminoAcid)=LVLFPKG	(peptide/AminoAcid)=TSKY, "alpha-globins137-140, neokytorphin1-4"
(peptide/AminoAcid)=LVVYP, "beta-globin31-35"	(peptide/AminoAcid)=TSKY, "alpha-globins137-141, neokytorphin"
(peptide/AminoAcid)=LVVYPW, "beta-globin32-37"	(peptide/AminoAcid)=TVLTSKY

(peptide/AminoAcid)=TVLTSKYR  
(peptide/AminoAcid)=VAYKN  
(peptide/AminoAcid)=VE  
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(peptide/AminoAcid)=VS  
(peptide/AminoAcid)=VVGQV  
(peptide/AminoAcid)=VVVL  
(peptide/AminoAcid)=VVYP  
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(peptide/AminoAcid)=YG  
(peptide/AminoAcid)=YGG  
(peptide/AminoAcid)=YGGFL, "leu-  
enkephalin"

(peptide/AminoAcid)=YGGFM, "Met-  
enkephalin"  
(peptide/AminoAcid)=YGGFMRF, "met-  
enkephalin-arg6-phe7"  
(peptide/AminoAcid)=YGGFMRGL, "Met-  
Enk-arg-gly-leu"  
(peptide/AminoAcid)=YGGFMRRV-NH2,  
"metorphamide"  
(peptide/AminoAcid)=YKVIPKS  
(peptide/AminoAcid)=YLE  
(peptide/AminoAcid)=YPFF-NH2,  
"endomorphin-2"  
(peptide/AminoAcid)=YPKG-NH2  
(peptide/AminoAcid)=YPLG-NH2, "Tyr-MIF-  
1"  
(peptide/AminoAcid)=YPWF-NH2,  
endomorphon-1"  
(peptide/AminoAcid)=YPWG-NH2  
(peptide/AminoAcid)=YR, "kyotorphin"

## Appendix 2: Method for Uniting Two 30 Å Water Boxes in QUANTA

- Step 1: Turn capture commands on (save as .inp file).
- Step 2: Under solvate structure, select the 30 Å length (water) box and place it on an atom in the system.
- Step 3: Turn capture commands off.
- Step 4: Open the saved input file captured in steps 1-3 using an available editing program (in this thesis vi was used). See Appendix 3 for a sample file.
- Step 5: Note the atom number in SET 2 for future reference.
- Step 6: Select the text from READ COOR CARD FREE to the end of the atoms involved in the system (not including water molecules) and copy into a new .txt file.
- Step 7: Using the file outlined in Appendix 4, delete lines between READ COOR CARD FREE and COOR ORIE NOROT SELE BYNUM @2 end.
- Step 8: Read the .txt from step 6 into the space created by the deletion in step 7.
- Step 9: Set the number in SET 2 to the number recorded from SET 2 in the initially captured file.
- Step 10: Set 3 to an appropriate atomic number from the system being studied.
- Step 11: Save the resulting file in .STR format.
- Step 12: Stream the .STR file into QUANTA using the stream CHARMM file option (the system must be free from solvent before this can occur).
- Step 13: Adjust the number in SET 3 as necessary to minimize overlap of the two united water boxes.
- Step 14: If the overlap is minimal and is deemed acceptable, delete overlapping water bonds or water molecule fragments as necessary to produce proper water molecules.

# Appendix 3: Sample Initial File for Solvation in QUANTA Using United Water Boxes

Text immediately preceding and following the section used in the .txt file for input into the CHARMM streaming file has been included as reference.

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* Script file produced by QUANTA
*
* Script to read parameter, psf, and ic files
*
reset
open read unit 21 card name $CHM_DATA/MASSES.RTF
read rtf unit 21 card
close unit 20
open read unit 20 card name ".charmmprm"
read param unit 20 card
close unit 20
open read unit 20 card name ".charmpsff"
read psf unit 20 card
close unit 20
open read unit 20 card name ".charmmic"
ic read unit 20 card
close unit 20
! Script for reading RTF
!
OPEN READ UNIT 77 CARD NAME -
"TIP3.RTF"
READ RTF CARD UNIT 77 APPEND
CLOSE UNIT 77
!set some variables
!
SET 1 1
SET 2 24

! QUANTA coordinates included in script file

READ COOR CARD FREE
* current QUANTA coordinates written for free read
*
464
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  2  1  MINI  HA   -7.914192  10.877570  -2.004334  MINI  1  0.0
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  5  1  MINI  HB2  -8.122888  10.289052  -4.394613  MINI  1  0.0
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  7  1  MINI  CD1  -6.058426   8.760720  -5.145370  MINI  1  0.0
  8  1  MINI  HD1  -5.840714   9.799349  -5.347174  MINI  1  0.0
  9  1  MINI  CD2  -7.368808   7.075675  -4.053276  MINI  1  0.0
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 12  1  MINI  O1   -4.224179   8.117190  -6.552227  MINI  1  0.0
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# Appendix 4: CHARMM .STR File for Uniting Two 30 Å Water Boxes for Solvating Larger Systems

Water molecules have been removed, with .... used to indicate that there are more molecules included in the system than shown.

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* Script file produced by QUANTA
*
! Startup script for CHARMM
!
UPPER ! case for files to write
open write card unit 7 name CHARMM.LOG
outu 7
banner
bomblevel -2
wrnlev 0
prnlev 5
* Script to read parameter, psf, and ic files
*
reset
open read unit 21 card name $CHM_DATA/MASSES.RTF
read rtf unit 21 card
close unit 20
open read unit 20 card name ".charmmprm"
read param unit 20 card
close unit 20
open read unit 20 card name ".charmmpsf"
read psf unit 20 card
close unit 20
open read unit 20 card name ".charmmic"
ic read unit 20 card
close unit 20
! Script for reading RTF
!
OPEN READ UNIT 77 CARD NAME -
"TIP3.RTF"
READ RTF CARD UNIT 77 APPEND
CLOSE UNIT 77
!set some variables
!
SET 1 1
SET 2 1
SET 3 367

! QUANTA coordinates included in script file

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! ...
! ...
READ COOR CARD FREE
* current QUANTA coordinates written for free read
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## Appendix 5: Methodology of Biological Assays

**Materials for *In Vitro* Assays.** A $\beta$ <sub>40</sub> and A $\beta$ <sub>42</sub> (AnaSpec, San Jose, CA, >95%) were stored at -80 °C until used. Tau441 was provided by Oligomerix Inc. (New York, NY) as frozen aliquots (8.3 mg/mL, 60  $\mu$ L) in Tris-HCl (50 mM, pH 7.4). 1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoroisopropanol (HFIP), and other reagents were obtained from Aldrich (St. Louis, MO) and were of the highest grade. All water used in the *in vitro* studies was micropore filtered and deionized.

**A $\beta$ <sub>40</sub> Stock Solutions.** A $\beta$ <sub>40</sub> (1.0 mg) was pre-treated in a 1.5 mL microfuge tube with HFIP (1 mL) and sonicated for 20 min. to disassemble any pre-formed A $\beta$  aggregates. The HFIP was removed with a stream of argon and the A $\beta$  dissolved in Tris base (5.8 mL, 20 mM, pH ~10). The pH was adjusted to 7.4 with concentrated HCl (~ 10  $\mu$ L) and the solution filtered using a syringe filter (0.2  $\mu$ m) before being used. Similar procedures were used for A $\beta$ <sub>42</sub>.

**ThT A $\beta$  Aggregation Assay.** The kinetic ThT assay for A $\beta$  aggregation was done as follows. Briefly, pre-treated A $\beta$ <sub>1-40</sub> (40  $\mu$ M in 20 mM Tris, pH 7.4), was diluted with an equal volume of 8  $\mu$ M ThT in Tris (20 mM, pH 7.4, 300 mM NaCl). Aliquots of A $\beta$ /ThT (200  $\mu$ L) were added to wells of a black polystyrene 96-well plate, followed by 2 $\mu$ L of a test compound in DMSO (of variable concentration), or DMSO alone (controls). Incubations were performed in triplicate and contained 20  $\mu$ M A $\beta$  and various concentration of compound in 20mM Tris, pH 7.4, 150 mM NaCl, 1% DMSO. Plates were covered with clear polystyrene lids and incubated at 37°C in a Tecan Genios microplate reader. Fluorescence readings ( $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 450$  nm,  $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 480$  nm) were taken every 15 min., after first shaking at high intensity for 15 sec. and allowing to settle for 10 sec. before each reading. Active compounds attenuated the increase in fluorescence over time that occurred in controls.

**ThS Tau Aggregation Assay.** Frozen aliquots of tau441 were allowed to thaw at room temperature (RT) before being diluted with Tris-HCl (2.64 mL, 50 mM, pH 7.4) containing dithiothreitol (DTT, 1 mM) to prevent disulfide bonds. After allowing to stand at RT for 1 h, Thioflavin S (ThS) was added (2.5  $\mu$ L, 10.8 mM), followed by the aggregation inducer heparin (20  $\mu$ L, 1.08 g/mL). Aggregation was then monitored in a plate reader in the same manner as in the A $\beta$ /ThT assay.

**Circular Dichroism (CD).** Aliquots (220  $\mu$ L) of HFIP-pretreated A $\beta$  (40  $\mu$ M in 20 mM Tris, pH 7.4) were added directly to 1 mm quartz CD cells, followed by 2.2  $\mu$ L compound (variable concentration) in methanol or methanol alone (controls). Solutions were incubated at 37°C for up to 6 days. CD scans were performed on a Jasco J-810 spectropolarimeter between 190 and 250 nm, with a resolution of 0.1 nm and bandwidth of 1 nm. Ten scans were obtained for each reading. Active compounds were those that inhibited the random-coil to  $\beta$ -sheet transition.

**Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM).** A $\beta$ <sub>42</sub> stock solution (40  $\mu$ M in 20 mM Tris, pH 7.4) was incubated (37°C) in the absence and presence of the test compound

(100  $\mu$ M). After 3 days, solutions were analyzed following the procedure of Cohen et al. (*Biochemistry* 2006, **45**: 4727-35) for TEM analysis. Briefly, a 10  $\mu$ L sample was placed on a 400 mesh copper grid covered by carbon-stabilized Formvar film and allowed to stand for 1.5 min. Excess fluid was then removed and the grids negatively stained for 2 min with uranyl acetate (10  $\mu$ L, 2% solution). Excess fluid was again removed and the samples viewed using an electron microscope operating at 80 kV.

## Appendix 6: Protein Energies of A $\beta$

The gas phase energies of the 1AMB, 1AMC, 1AML, 1BA4, 1IYT, and 1Z0Q conformers of A $\beta$  as optimized in QUANTA using the CHARMM22 force field are summarized as follows and calculated with a constrained protein backbone:

Conformer	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$
1AMB	-125.85	-62.91	-118.83
1AMC	-124.84	-66.16	-117.54
1AML	-152.79	-54.14	-169.05
1BA4	-186.59	-65.48	-181.57
1IYT	-188.37	-83.14	-176.62
1Z0Q	-134.31	-64.92	-171.67

The solution phase energies of the 1AMB, 1AMC, 1AML, 1BA4, 1IYT, and 1Z0Q conformers of A $\beta$  as optimized in QUANTA using the CHARMM22 force field are summarized as follows, and were calculated with the solvent removed:

Conformer	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$
1AMB	-314.52	-270.43	-132.28
1AMC	-314.53	-280.48	-160.67
1AML	-404.92	-346.18	-212.50
1BA4	-420.10	-369.83	-206.17
1IYT	-530.26	-404.59	-240.00
1Z0Q	-448.37	-366.93	-237.08

The gas phase energies of the 1AMB, 1AMC, 1AML, 1BA4, 1IYT, and 1Z0Q conformers of A $\beta$  as optimized in MOE using the CHARMM22 force field are summarized as follows and were measured with a constrained protein backbone:

Conformer	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$
1AMB	-0.79	53.93	-209.47
1AMC	-11.92	55.13	-233.99
1AML	142.72	92.67	-172.78
1BA4	91.73	61.10	-169.48
1IYT	52.92	55.64	-200.21
1Z0Q	167.87	86.20	-187.97

The solution phase energies of the 1AMB, 1AMC, 1AML, 1BA4, 1IYT, and 1Z0Q conformers of A $\beta$  as optimized in MOE using the CHARMM22 force field are summarized as follows (Used for Tryptophan and 3HAA):

Conformer	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$
1AMB	-1.65	46.77	-198.00
1AMC	-27.22	45.27	-220.50
1AML	126.29	67.92	-159.13
1BA4	141.41	91.81	-169.50
1IYT	76.65	88.19	-216.55
1Z0Q	121.78	72.47	-185.37

The solution phase energies of the 1AMB, 1AMC, 1AML, 1BA4, 1IYT, and 1Z0Q conformers of A $\beta$  as optimized in MOE using the CHARMM22 force field are summarized as follows (Used for Tryptamine):

Conformer	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	E <sub>tot</sub>	E <sub>ele</sub>	E <sub>vdw</sub>
1AMB	-0.43	46.82	-206.95
1AMC	-19.95	52.82	-226.14
1AML	132.19	63.10	-155.00
1BA4	112.06	66.31	-181.81
1IYT	94.26	65.26	-199.04
1Z0Q	141.51	86.36	-190.99

The gas phase energies of the 1AMB, 1AMC, 1AML, 1BA4, 1IYT, and 1Z0Q conformers of A $\beta$  as optimized in MOE using the CHARMM22 force field are summarized as follows and were measured with a constrained protein backbone (For Chapter 4 and Chapter 5 calculations):

Conformer	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	E <sub>tot</sub>	E <sub>ele</sub>	E <sub>vdw</sub>
1AMB	-11.92	51.40	-217.02
1AMC	-11.92	55.13	-233.99
1AML	142.72	92.67	-172.78
1BA4	91.73	61.10	-169.48
1IYT	52.92	55.64	-200.21
1Z0Q	167.87	86.19	-187.97

The solution phase energies of the 1AMB, 1AMC, 1AML, 1BA4, 1IYT, and 1Z0Q conformers of A $\beta$  as optimized in MOE using the CHARMM22 force field are summarized as follows and were measured with a constrained protein backbone (For Chapter 4 calculations):

Conformer	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$
1AMB	14.39	48.15	-194.23
1AMC	-30.43	35.97	-229.64
1AML	119.31	69.45	-171.10
1BA4	126.85	71.13	-163.32
1IYT	149.83	76.11	-207.04
1Z0Q	136.73	81.21	-181.63

The gas phase energies of the 1AMB, 1AMC, 1AML, 1BA4, 1IYT, and 1Z0Q conformers of A $\beta$  as calculated in Gaussian 09W using the AM1 level of theory (For Chapter 4 and Chapter 5 calculations):

Conformer		
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1AMC	-1.082807729 Hartrees -679.472 kcal/mol	
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1BA4	-1.64754945 Hartrees -1033.852 kcal/mol	
1IYT	-2.174795784 Hartrees -1364.704 kcal/mol	
1Z0Q	-1.286585655 Hartrees -807.344 kcal/mol	

The gas phase energies of the isolated LVFF and HHQK regions of A $\beta$  used for calculations in Chapter 5:

HHQK			
Energies (kcal/mol)			
Conformer	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$
1AMB	91.02	37.71	-43.34
1AMC	61.45	40.54	-49.48
1AML	109.55	40.95	-7.18
1BA4	86.87	34.28	-29.80
1IYT	58.56	28.34	-28.12
1Z0Q	78.88	34.77	-28.44
LVFF			
Energies (kcal/mol)			
Conformer	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$
1AMB	101.13	19.04	8.05
1AMC	109.87	26.88	2.98
1AML	106.79	30.38	3.68
1BA4	86.30	19.00	-8.86
1IYT	89.33	20.41	2.77
1Z0Q	142.12	30.61	26.10



The solution phase energies of the isolated LVFF and HHQK regions of A $\beta$  used for calculations in Chapter 5:

Conformer	HHQK Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$
1AMB	91.02	37.71	-43.34
1AMC	61.45	40.54	-49.48
1AML	109.55	40.95	-7.18
1BA4	86.87	34.28	-29.80
1IYT	58.56	28.34	-28.12
1Z0Q	78.88	34.77	-28.44

Conformer	LVFF Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$
1AMB	101.13	19.04	8.05
1AMC	109.87	26.88	2.98
1AML	106.79	30.38	3.68
1BA4	86.30	19.00	-8.86
1IYT	89.33	20.41	2.77
1Z0Q	142.12	30.61	26.10

The gas phase energies of the 1AMB, 1AMC, 1AML, 1BA4, 1IYT, and 1Z0Q conformers of A $\beta$  as optimized in MOE using the CHARMM22 force field are summarized as follows and were measured with a constrained protein backbone (For Chapter 6 solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> calculations):

Conformer	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	E <sub>tot</sub>	E <sub>ele</sub>	E <sub>vdw</sub>
1AMB	-8.68	51.70	-211.55
1AMC	2.50	62.41	-225.21
1AML	185.65	91.31	-130.54
1BA4	91.71	61.14	-169.55
1IYT	52.92	55.72	-200.26
1Z0Q	163.45	81.15	-171.67

The solution phase energies of the 1AMB, 1AMC, 1AML, 1BA4, 1IYT, and 1Z0Q conformers of A $\beta$  as optimized in MOE using the CHARMM22 force field are summarized as follows and were measured with a constrained protein backbone (For Chapter 6 solapsone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> calculations):

Conformer	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	E <sub>tot</sub>	E <sub>ele</sub>	E <sub>vdw</sub>
1AMB	7.95	51.88	-211.92
1AMC	10.31	64.67	-204.04
1AML	154.12	80.68	-135.70
1BA4	128.32	82.05	-169.65
1IYT	55.18	71.63	-220.50
1Z0Q	137.04	77.26	-173.19

The gas phase energies of the 1AMB, 1AML, 1BA4, 1IYT, and 1Z0Q conformers of A $\beta$  as optimized in MOE using the CHARMM22 force field are summarized as follows and were measured with a constrained protein backbone (For Chapter 6 solapsone-A $\beta$  calculations):

Conformer	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$
1AMB	-11.78	55.28	-211.70
1AML	185.65	91.31	-130.54
1BA4	91.71	61.14	-169.55
1IYT	52.92	55.72	-200.26
1Z0Q	163.45	81.15	-181.05

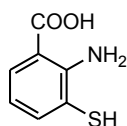
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Conformer	Energies (kcal/mol)		
	$E_{\text{tot}}$	$E_{\text{ele}}$	$E_{\text{vdw}}$
1AMB	7.95	51.88	-211.92
1AML	154.12	80.68	-135.70
1BA4	128.32	82.05	-169.65
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1Z0Q	137.04	77.26	-173.19

# Appendix 7: Analogues of 3-Hydroxyanthranilic Acid

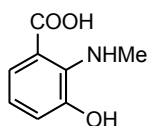
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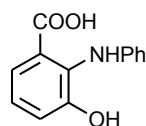
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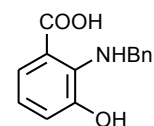
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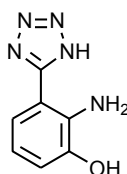
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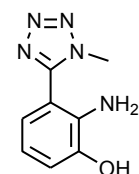
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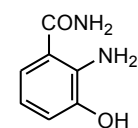
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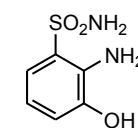
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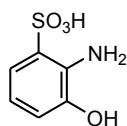
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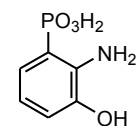
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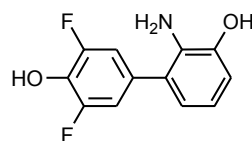
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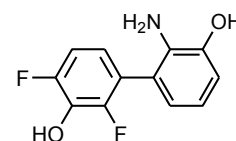
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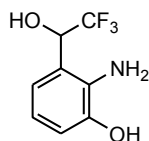
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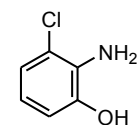
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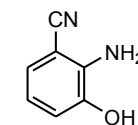
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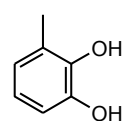
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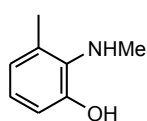
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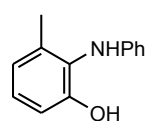
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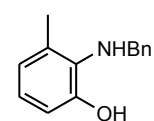
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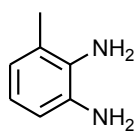


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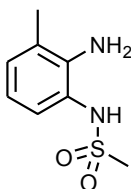
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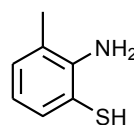
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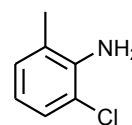
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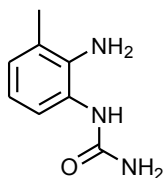
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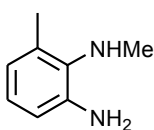
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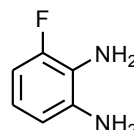
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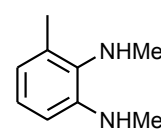
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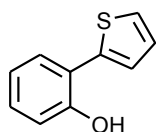
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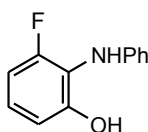
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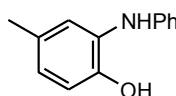
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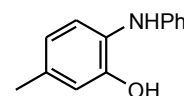
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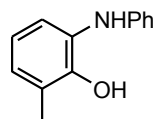
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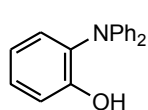
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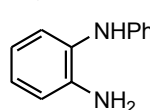
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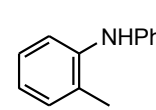
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2-(diphenylamino)phenol



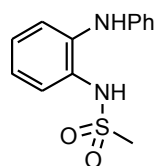
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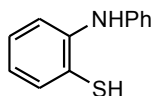
**Test-44**  
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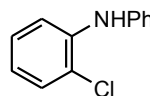
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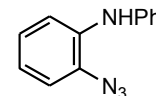
**Test-46**  
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**Test-47**  
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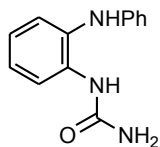


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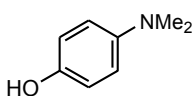
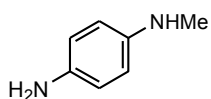
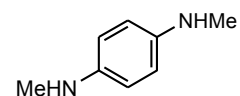
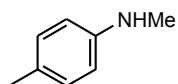
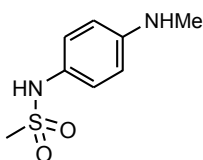


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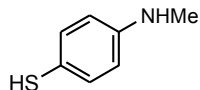
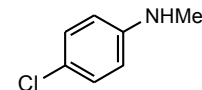
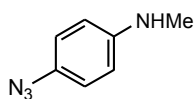
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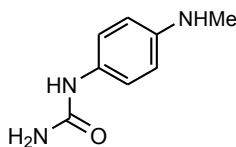
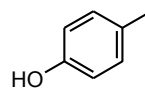
4-(dimethylamino)phenol

**Test-51***N*<sup>1</sup>-methylbenzene-1,4-diamine**Test-52***N*<sup>1</sup>,*N*<sup>4</sup>-dimethylbenzene-1,4-diamine**Test-53***N*,4-dimethylaniline**Test-54***N*-(4-(methylamino)phenyl)methanesulfonamide**Test-55**

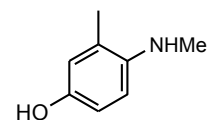
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**Test-56**4-chloro-*N*-methylaniline**Test-57**4-azido-*N*-methylaniline**Test-58**

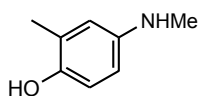
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**Test-61***p*-cresol**Test-62**

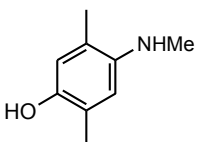
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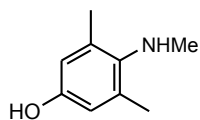
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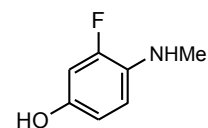
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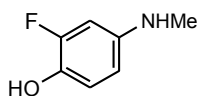
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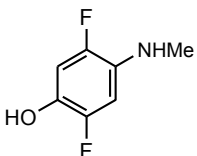
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**Test-67**

2-fluoro-4-(methylamino)phenol

**Test-68**

2,5-difluoro-4-(methylamino)phenol

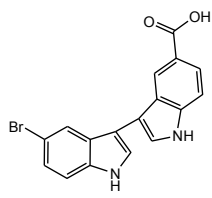


## Appendix 8: BBXB Protein Energies

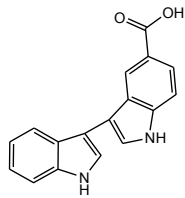
Protein	Energy (kcal/mol)		
	Total	Van der Waals	electrostatic
A $\beta$	-188.37	-176.62	-83.14
AChE	-11824.15	-3505.07	-11006.67
$\alpha_1$ -ACT	-2535.93	-2571.00	-815.11
Apo $\epsilon$ 4	-4771.46	-870.30	-4652.69
B7-1	-1235.34	-1364.49	-387.79
BHMT	-13535.79	-4781.19	-11386.05
C1qA	-13234.02	-5566.68	-10374.84
ICAM-1	-1119.97	-1258.12	-462.30
IFN- $\gamma$	-12827.01	-3611.30	-11148.04
IL-1 $\beta$ CE	-7775.87	-1526.68	-7483.63
IL-4	-962.15	-954.61	-294.30
IL-12	-2430.07	-2807.22	-768.53
IL-13	-388.29	-554.99	-79.10
MIP-1 $\alpha$	-1832.98	-2179.97	-625.66
MIP-1 $\beta$	-1996.41	-2273.27	-654.33
NEP	-20607.56	-4580.47	-19329.89
RANTES	-1634.97	-690.39	-1634.48
S100 $\beta$	-977.29	-1054.54	-481.74
SDF-1	-2190.99	-302.72	-2254.47
Transferrin	-3289.34	-3436.47	-1067.03

# Appendix 9: Analogues of NCE-0217

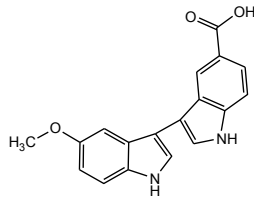
Analogues of NCE-0217 used in the QSAR



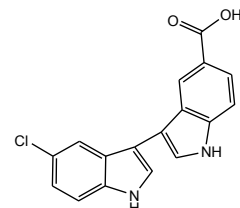
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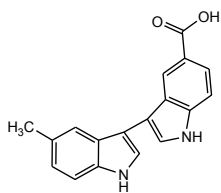
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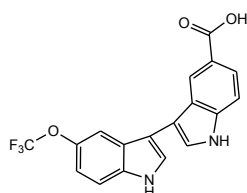
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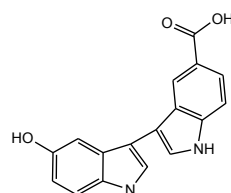
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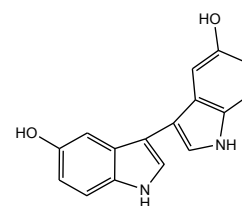
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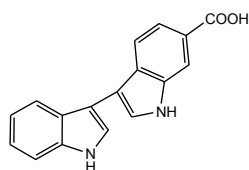
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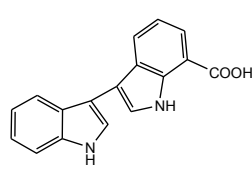
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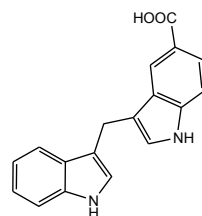
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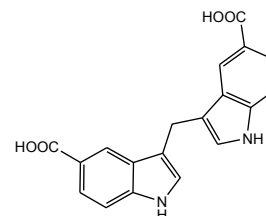
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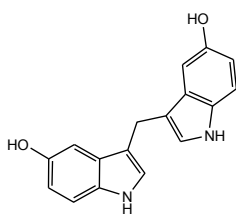
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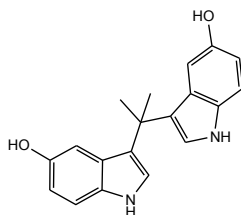
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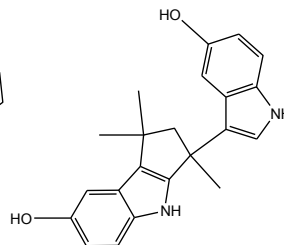
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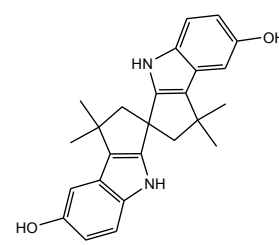
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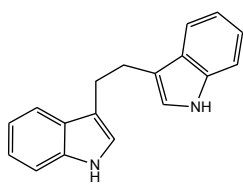
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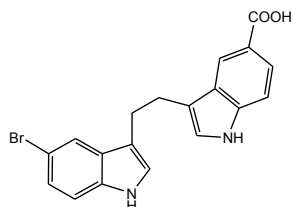
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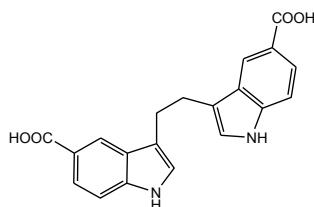
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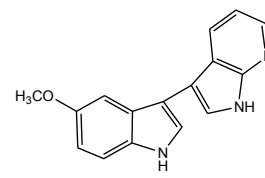
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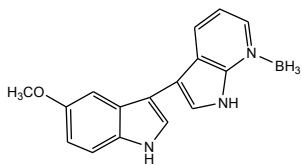


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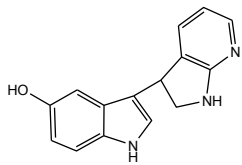


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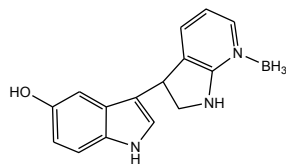




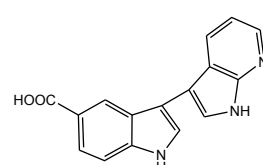
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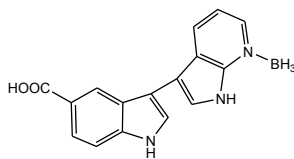
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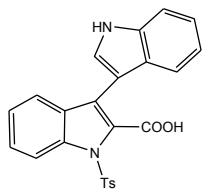
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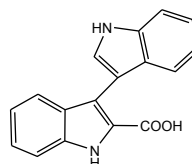
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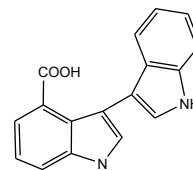
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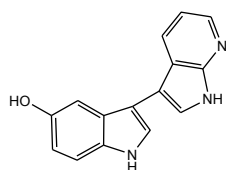
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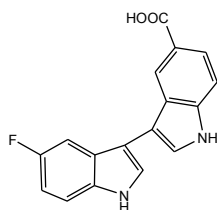
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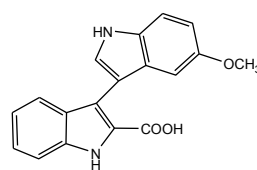
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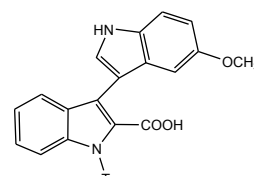
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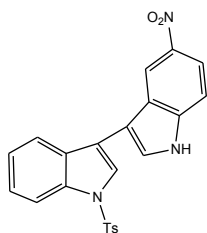
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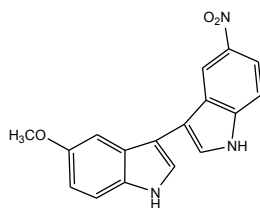
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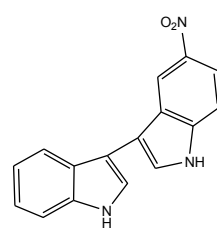
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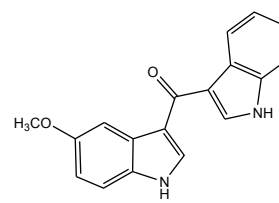
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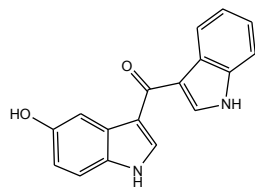
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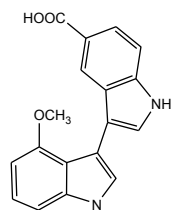
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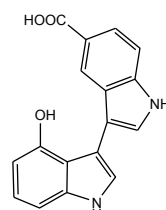
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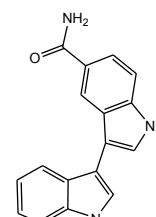
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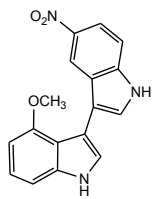
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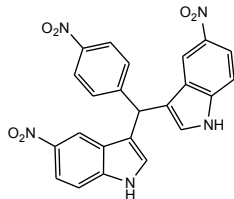
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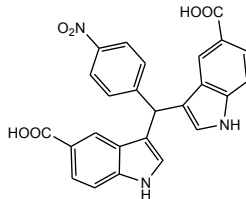
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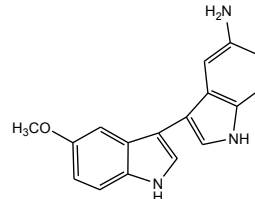
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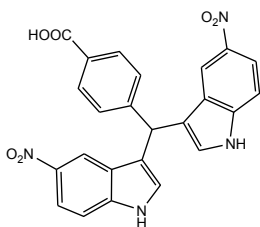
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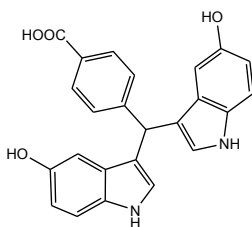
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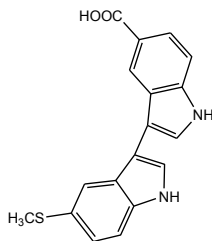
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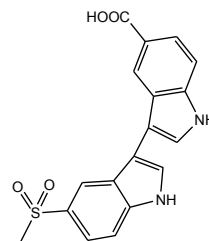
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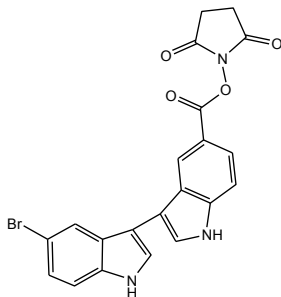
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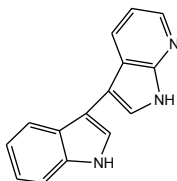
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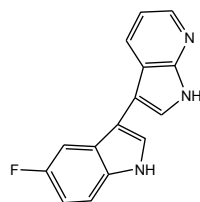
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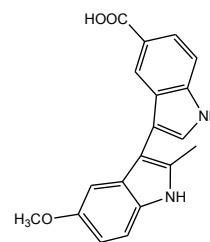
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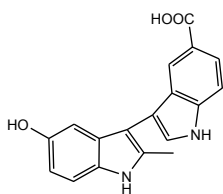
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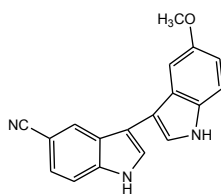
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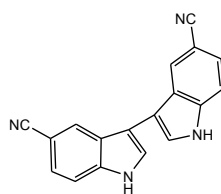
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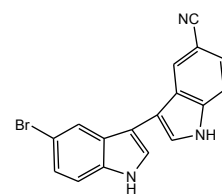
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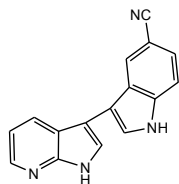
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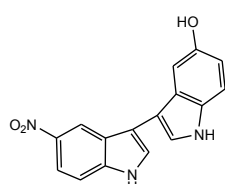
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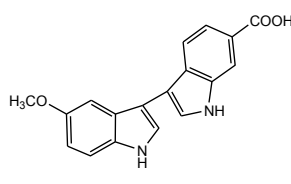
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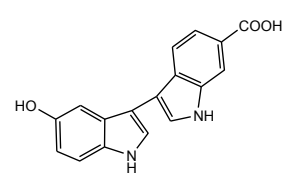
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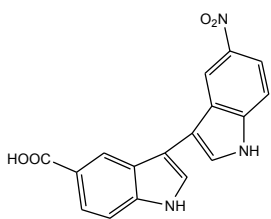
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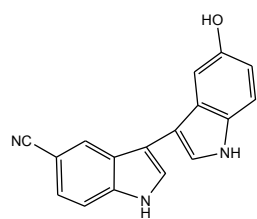
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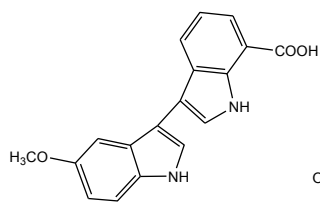
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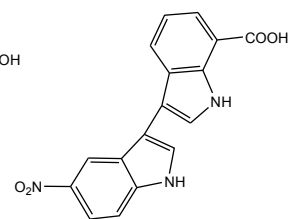
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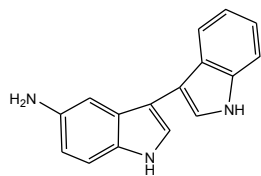
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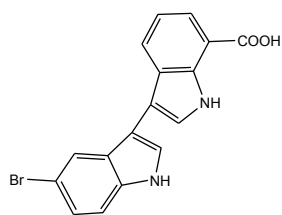
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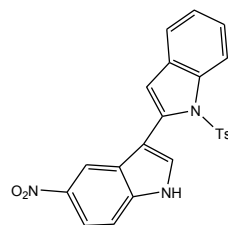
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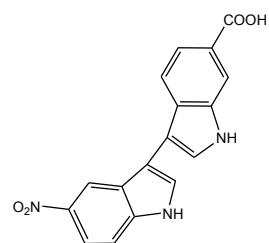
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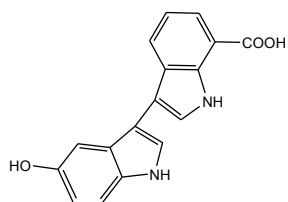
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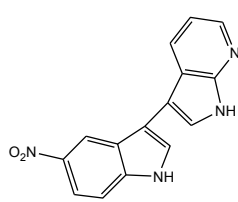
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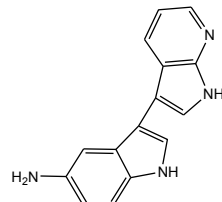
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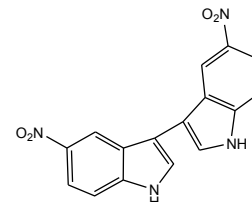
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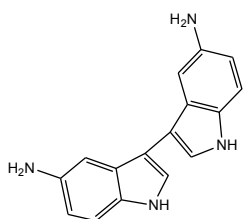
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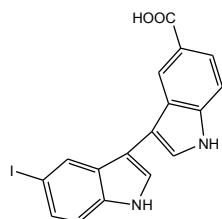
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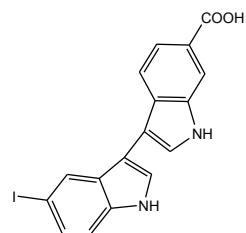
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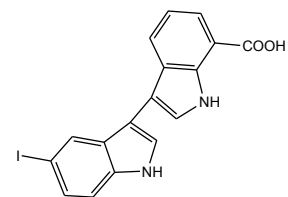
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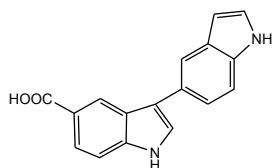
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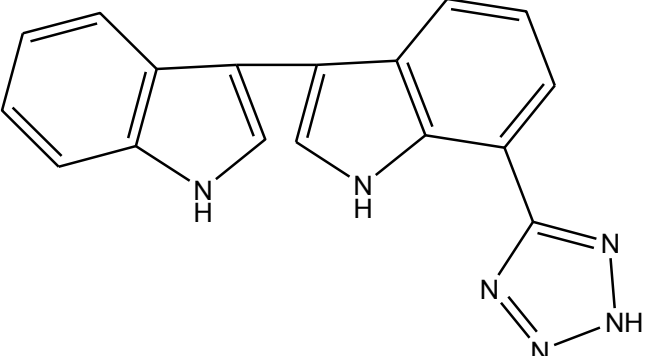
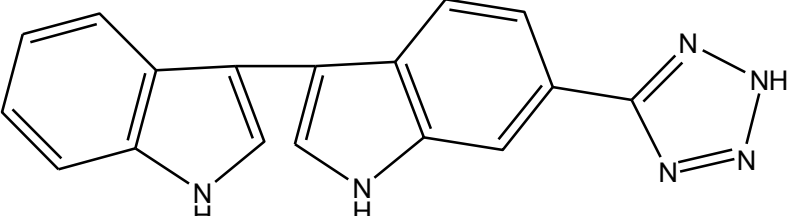
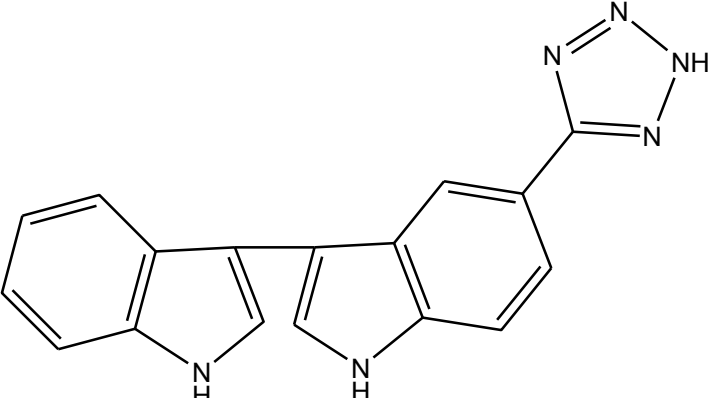
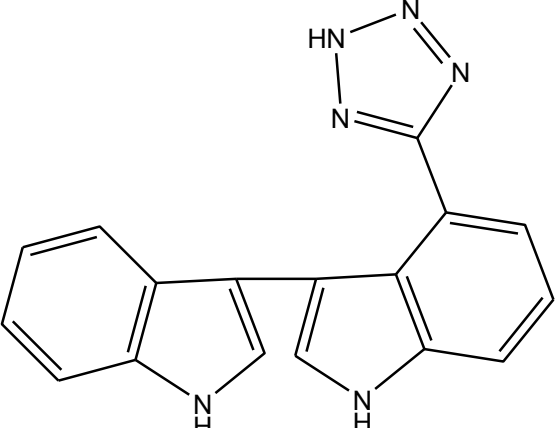


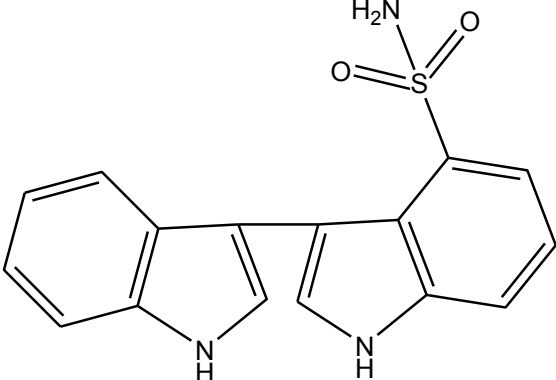
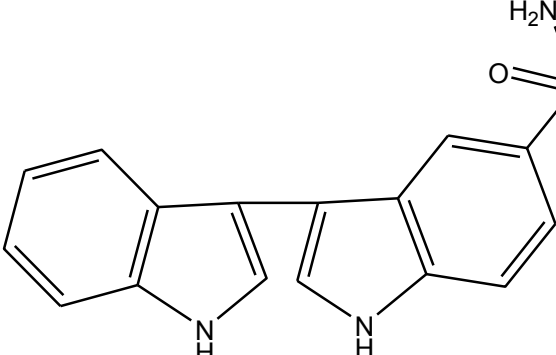
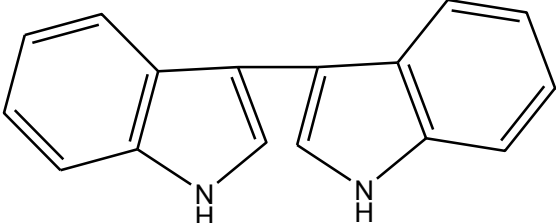
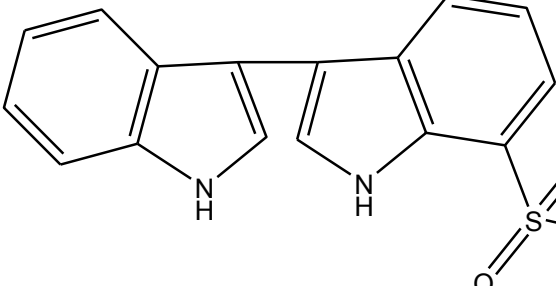
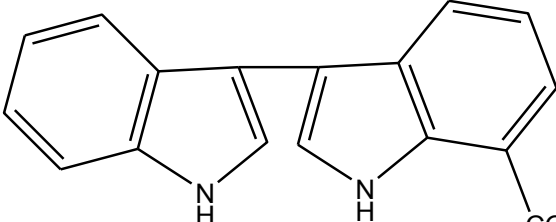
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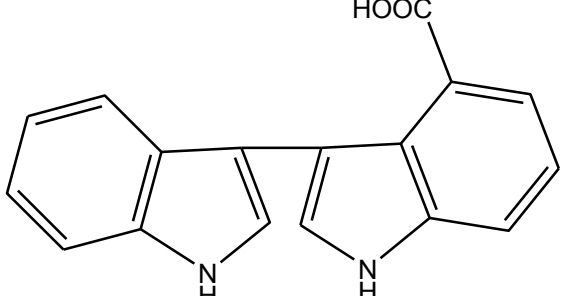
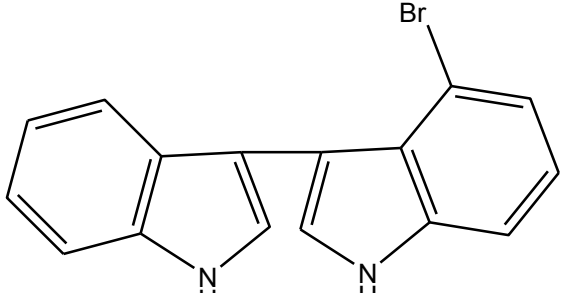
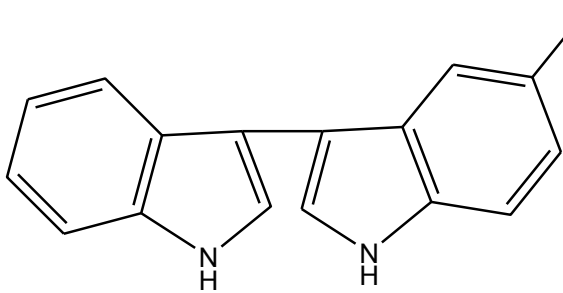
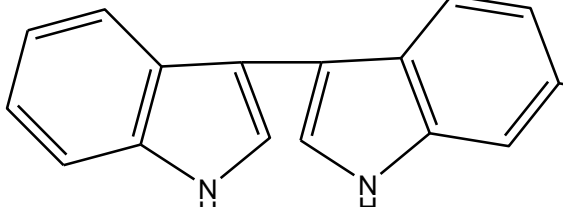
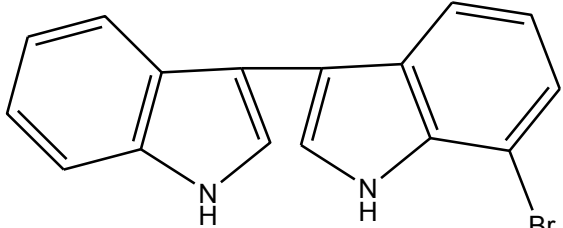


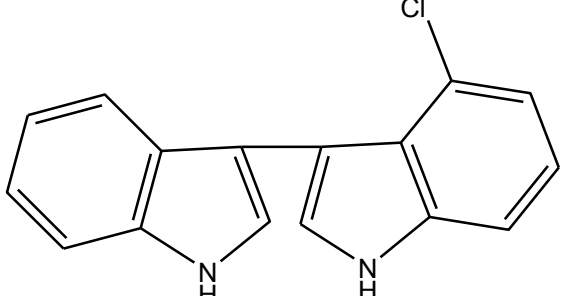
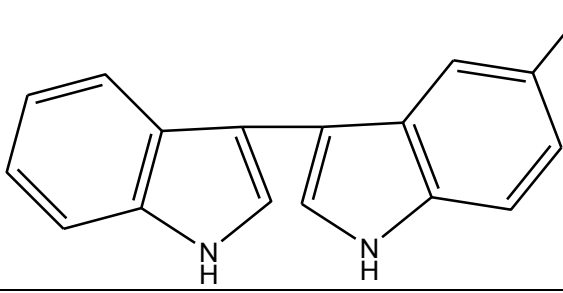
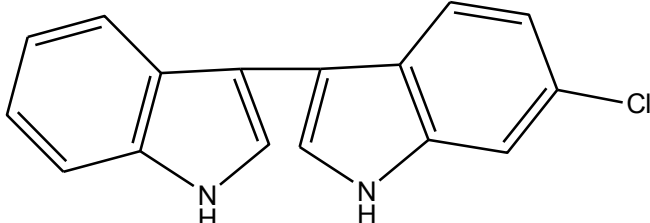
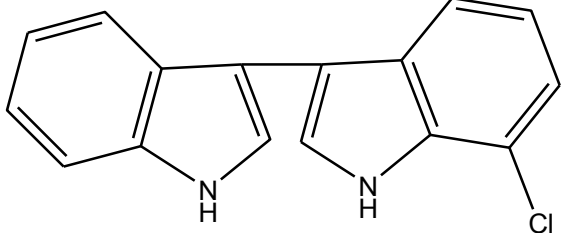
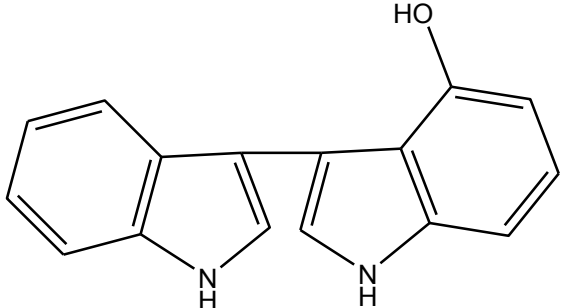
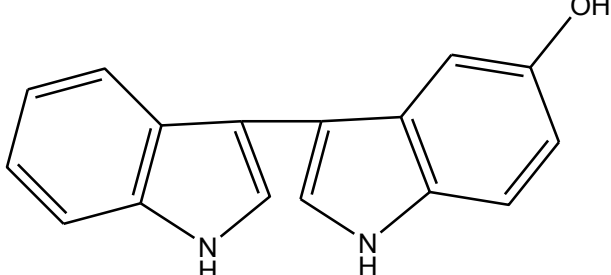
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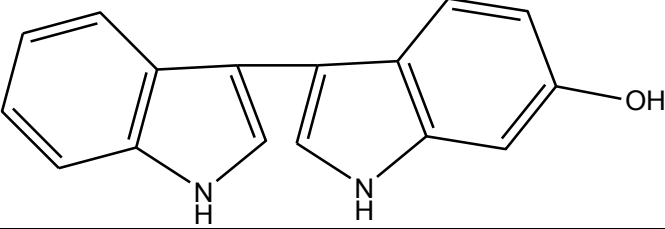
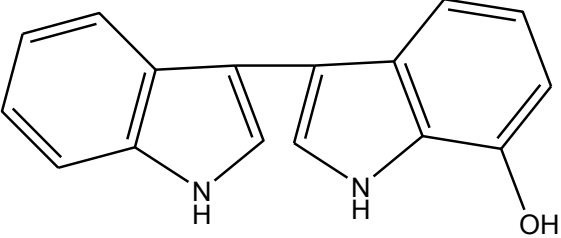
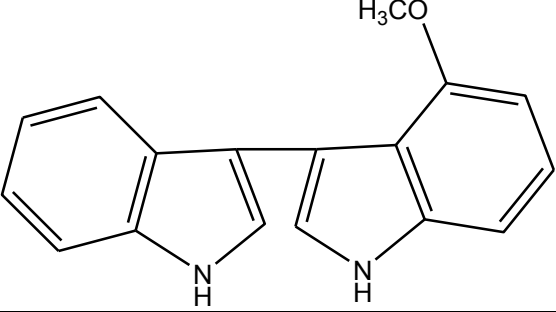
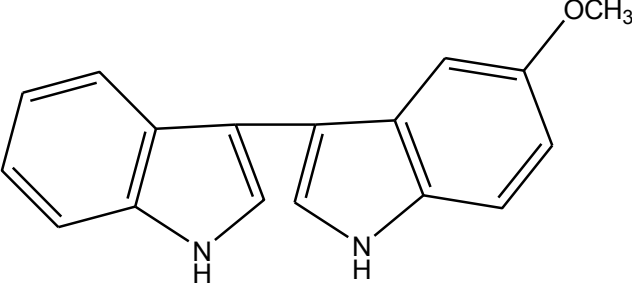
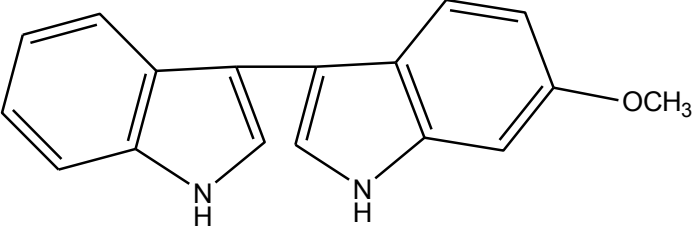
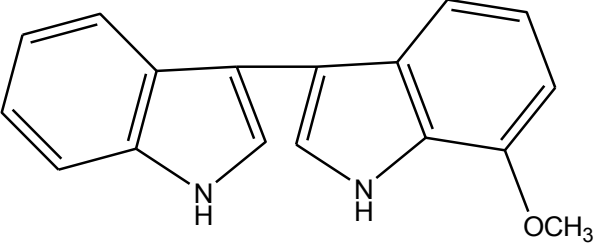
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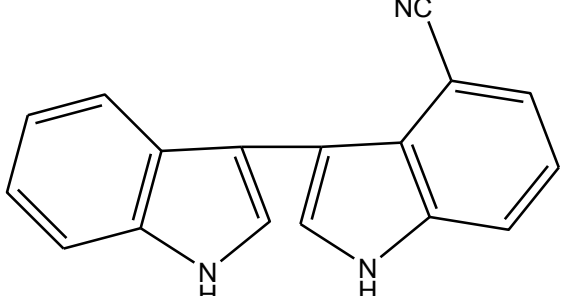
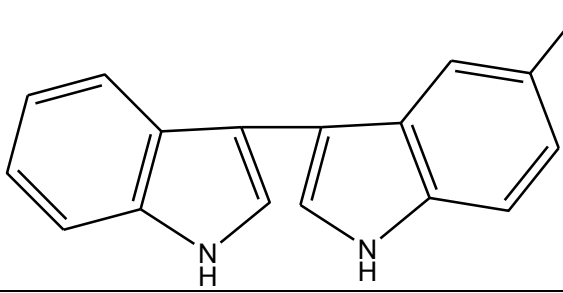
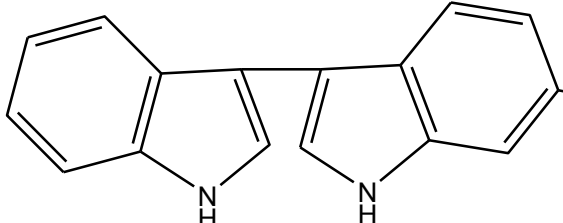
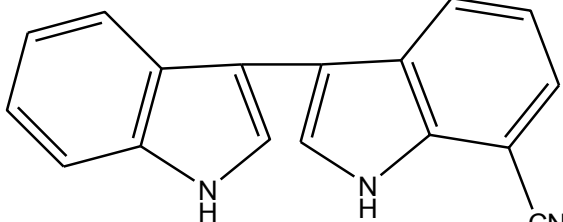
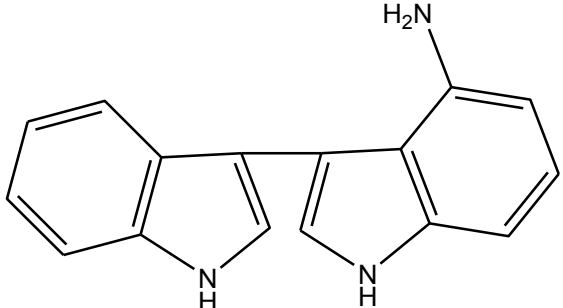
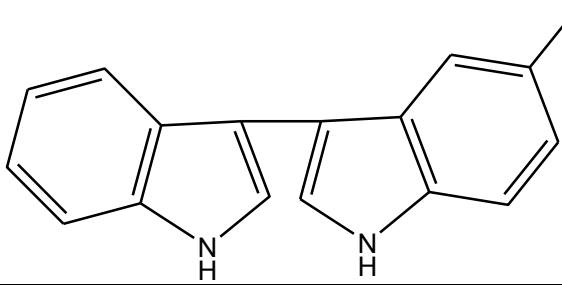
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6	 <p>Chemical structure of 6-sulfamoyl-L-tryptophan, showing a tryptophan molecule with a sulfamoyl group (-SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>) attached to the 6-position of the indole ring.</p>	Active
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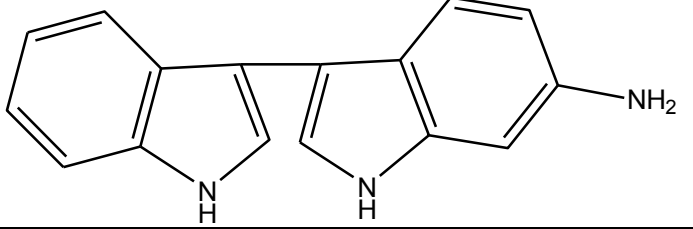
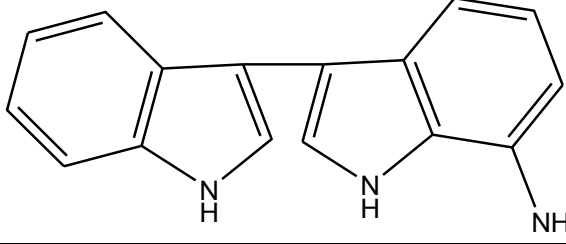
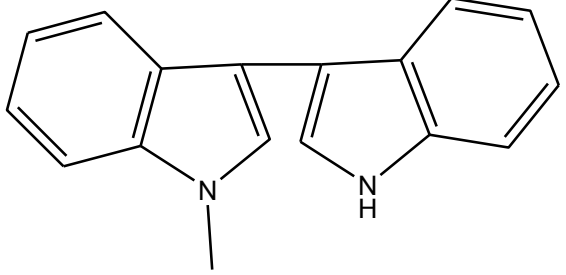
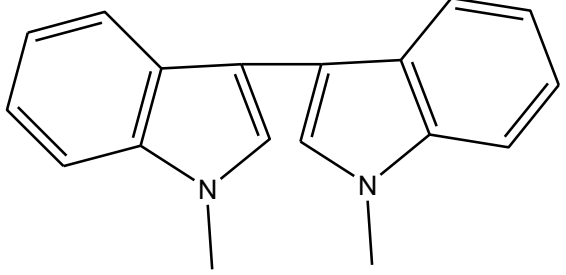
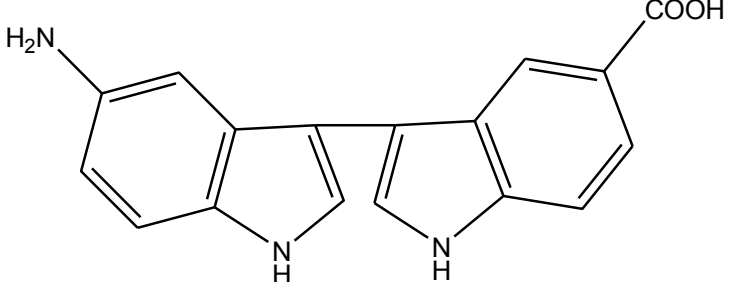
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11	 <p>Chemical structure of 5-(2-phenyl-1H-imidazol-5-yl)2-bromophenyl. It consists of a central imidazole ring connected at its 5-position to a phenyl ring, and at its 2-position to another phenyl ring. The 2-position of this second phenyl ring is substituted with a bromine atom (Br).</p>	Active
12	 <p>Chemical structure of 5-(2-phenyl-1H-imidazol-5-yl)3-bromophenyl. It consists of a central imidazole ring connected at its 5-position to a phenyl ring, and at its 2-position to another phenyl ring. The 3-position of this second phenyl ring is substituted with a bromine atom (Br).</p>	Inactive
13	 <p>Chemical structure of 5-(2-phenyl-1H-imidazol-5-yl)3,4-dibromophenyl. It consists of a central imidazole ring connected at its 5-position to a phenyl ring, and at its 2-position to another phenyl ring. The 3 and 4 positions of this second phenyl ring are both substituted with bromine atoms (Br).</p>	Active
14	 <p>Chemical structure of 5-(2-phenyl-1H-imidazol-5-yl)4-bromophenyl. It consists of a central imidazole ring connected at its 5-position to a phenyl ring, and at its 2-position to another phenyl ring. The 4-position of this second phenyl ring is substituted with a bromine atom (Br).</p>	Inactive

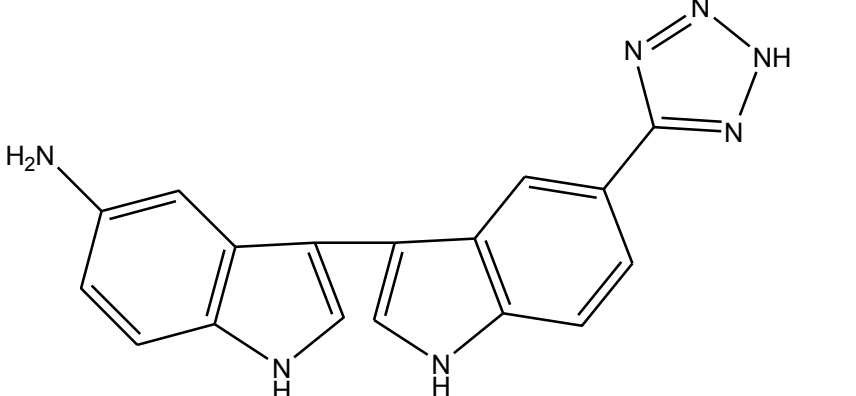
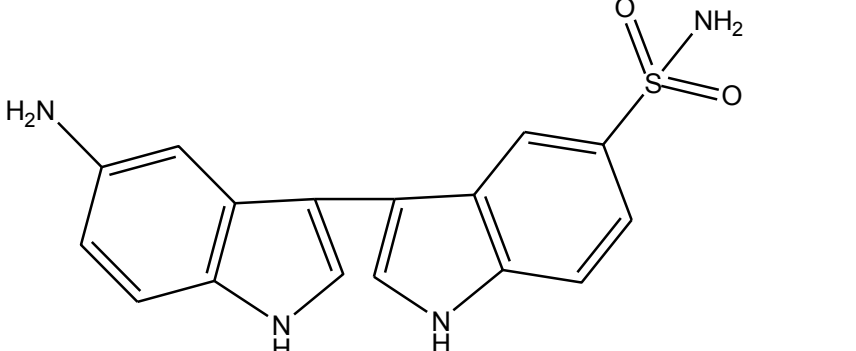
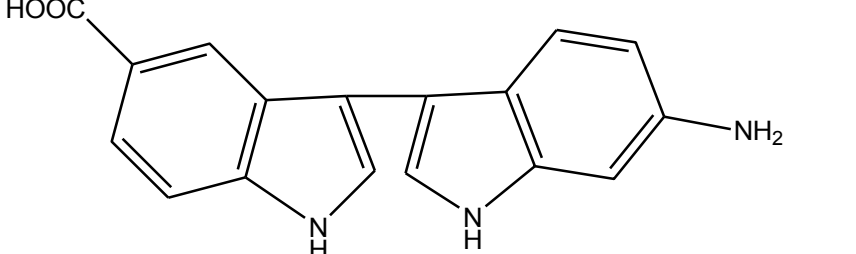
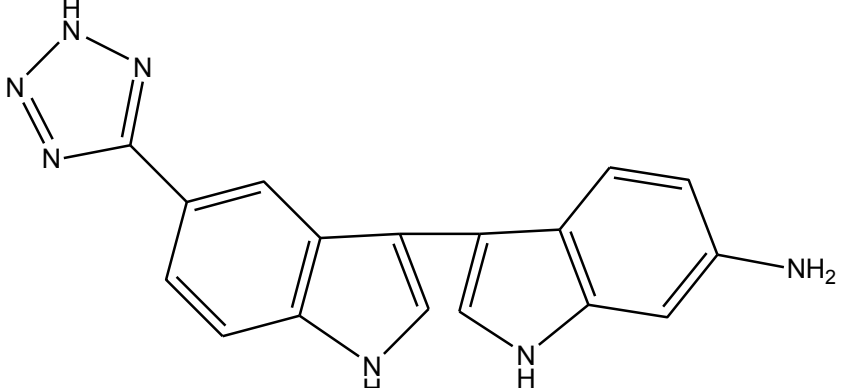
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18	 <p>Chemical structure of 8-chloro-L-tryptophan, showing a tryptophan molecule with a chlorine atom (Cl) attached to the 8-position of the indole ring.</p>	Active
19	 <p>Chemical structure of 5-hydroxy-L-tryptophan, showing a tryptophan molecule with a hydroxyl group (HO) attached to the 5-position of the indole ring.</p>	Active
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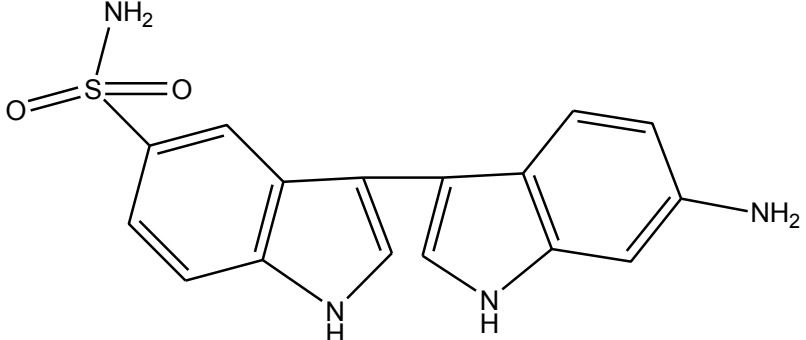
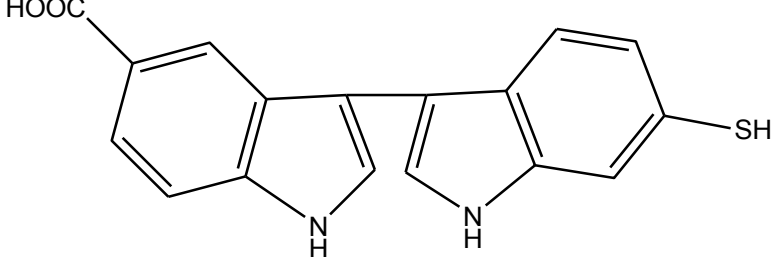
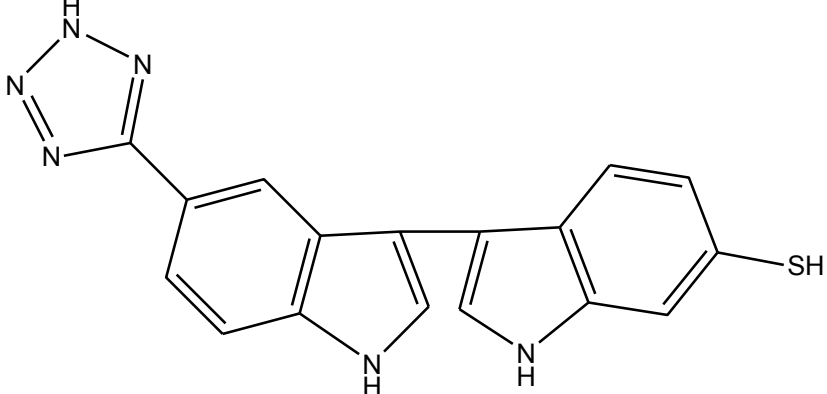
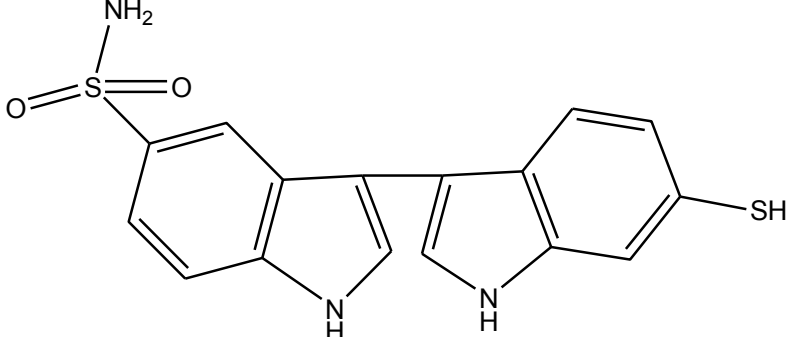
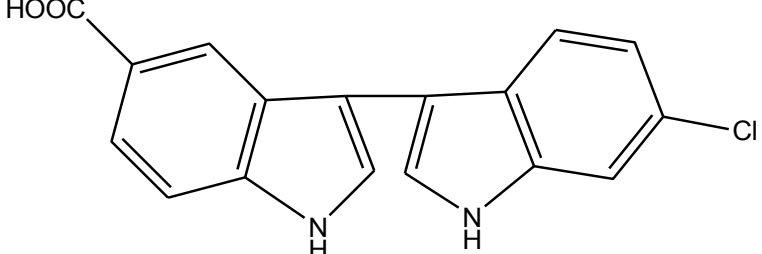
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24	 <p>Chemical structure of 5,5'-methoxy-2,2'-bimidazole, consisting of two imidazole rings linked at their 2-positions, with a methoxy group (-OCH<sub>3</sub>) attached to the 5-position of the right-hand ring.</p>	Inactive
25	 <p>Chemical structure of 5,5'-dimethoxy-2,2'-bimidazole, consisting of two imidazole rings linked at their 2-positions, with methoxy groups (-OCH<sub>3</sub>) attached to the 5-positions of both rings.</p>	Active
26	 <p>Chemical structure of 5,5'-methoxy-2,2'-bimidazole, consisting of two imidazole rings linked at their 2-positions, with a methoxy group (-OCH<sub>3</sub>) attached to the 5-position of the right-hand ring.</p>	Active

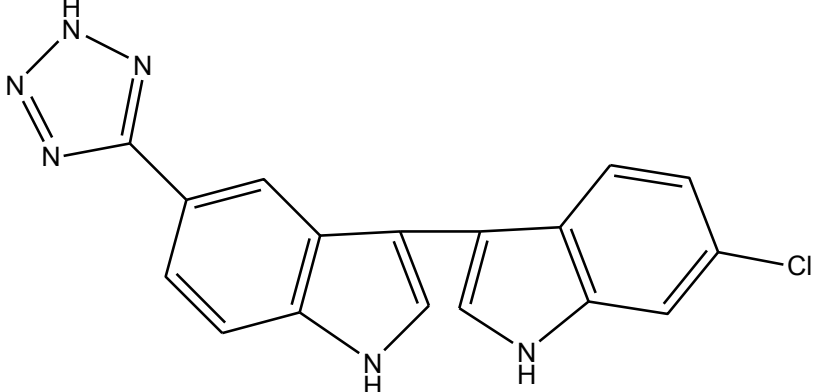
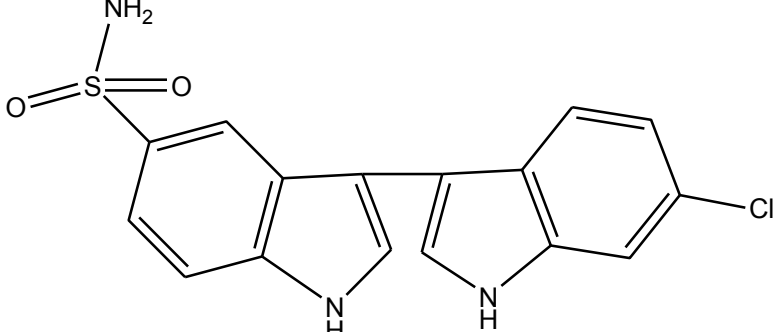
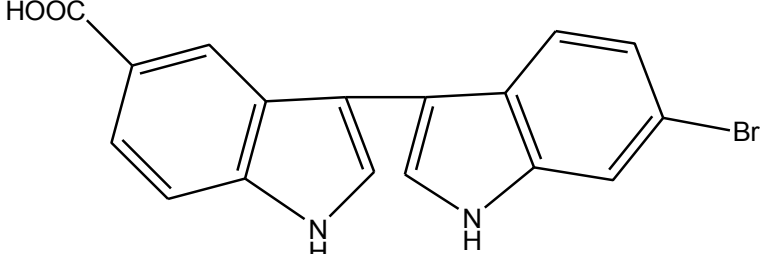
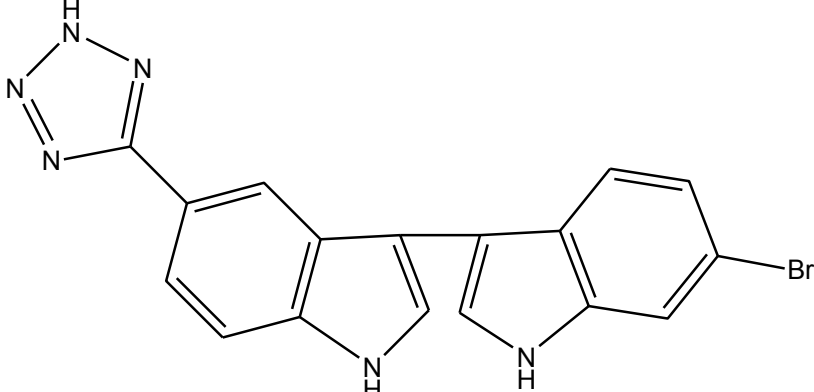


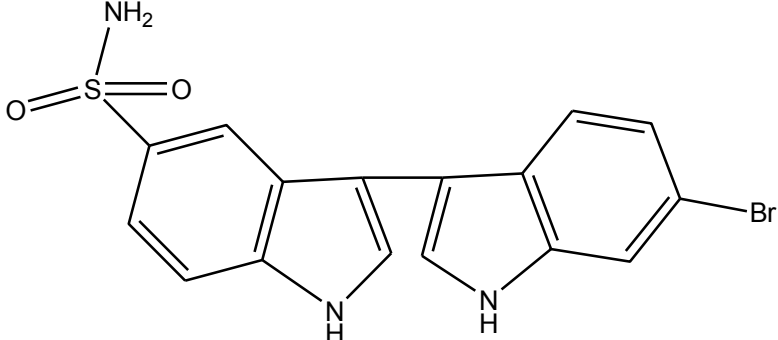
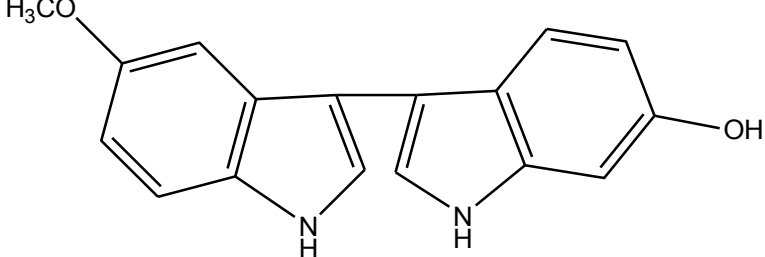
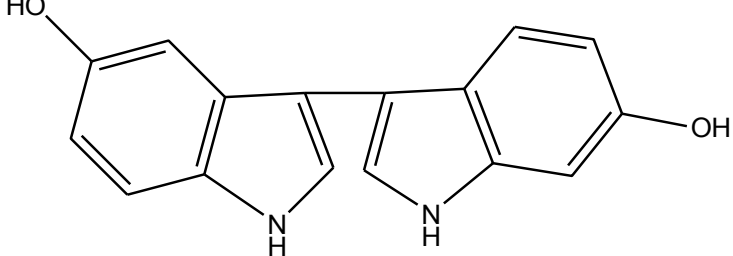
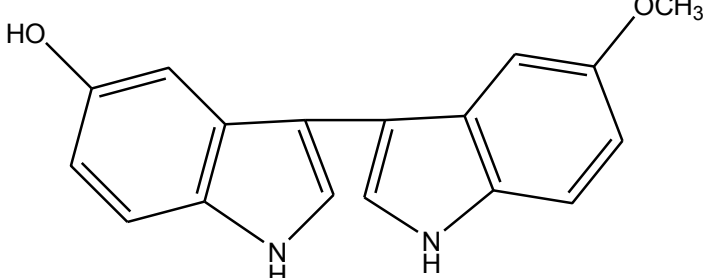
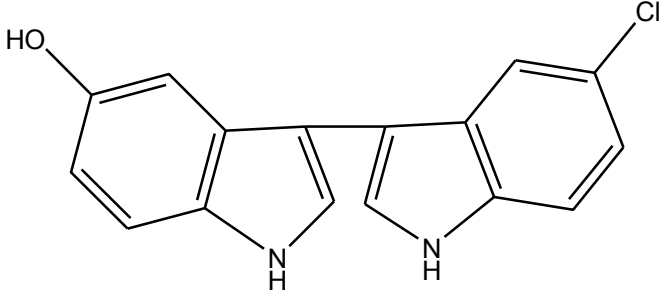
27	 <p>Chemical structure of 2,2'-biphenyl-5,5'-dicarbonitrile. It consists of two indole rings connected at their 2-positions. The 5-position of the right-hand indole ring is substituted with a cyano group (NC).</p>	Inactive
28	 <p>Chemical structure of 2,2'-biphenyl-3,5'-dicarbonitrile. It consists of two indole rings connected at their 2-positions. The 5'-position of the right-hand indole ring is substituted with a cyano group (CN).</p>	Inactive
29	 <p>Chemical structure of 2,2'-biphenyl-3,6'-dicarbonitrile. It consists of two indole rings connected at their 2-positions. The 6'-position of the right-hand indole ring is substituted with a cyano group (CN).</p>	Inactive
30	 <p>Chemical structure of 2,2'-biphenyl-3,7'-dicarbonitrile. It consists of two indole rings connected at their 2-positions. The 7'-position of the right-hand indole ring is substituted with a cyano group (CN).</p>	Inactive
31	 <p>Chemical structure of 2,2'-biphenyl-5,5'-diamine. It consists of two indole rings connected at their 2-positions. The 5-position of the right-hand indole ring is substituted with an amino group (H<sub>2</sub>N).</p>	Active
32	 <p>Chemical structure of 2,2'-biphenyl-3,5'-diamine. It consists of two indole rings connected at their 2-positions. The 5'-position of the right-hand indole ring is substituted with an amino group (NH<sub>2</sub>).</p>	Active

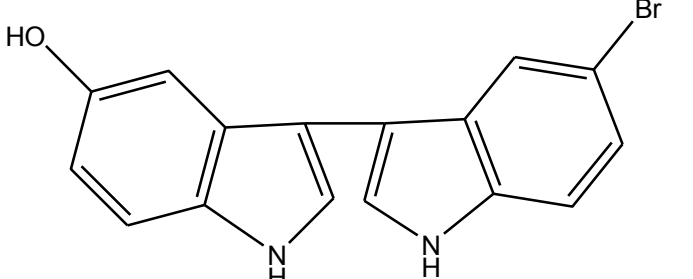
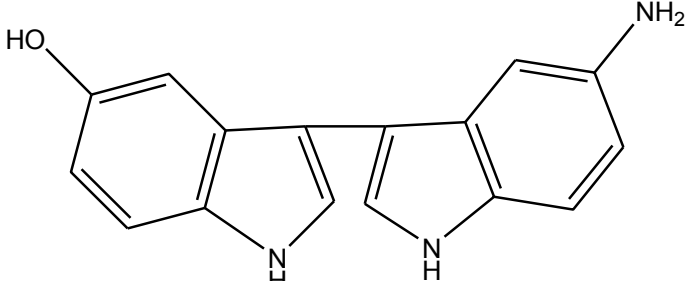
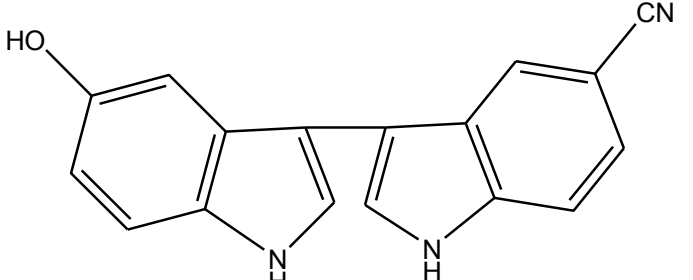
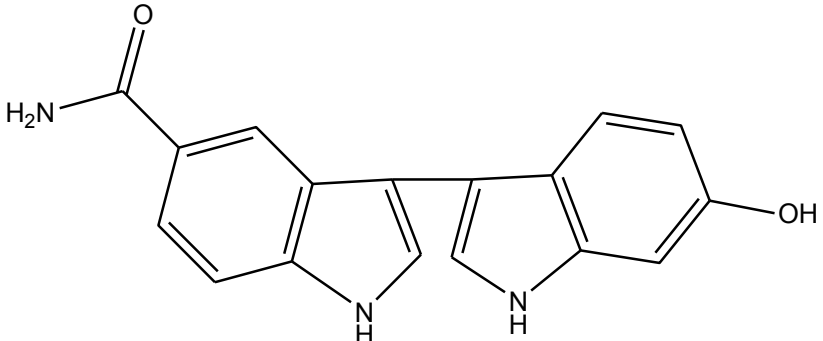
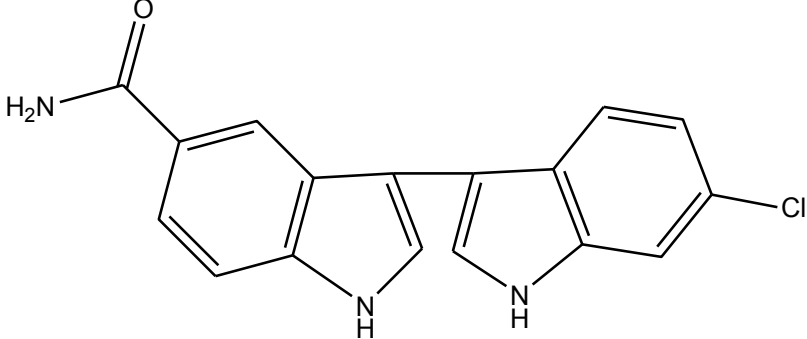
33	 <p>Chemical structure of 5-amino-2,2'-bipyridine, consisting of two pyridine rings linked at their 2-positions, with an amino group (-NH<sub>2</sub>) attached to the 5-position of the right ring.</p>	Active
34	 <p>Chemical structure of 2-amino-2'-amino-2,2'-bipyridine, consisting of two pyridine rings linked at their 2-positions, with an amino group (-NH<sub>2</sub>) attached to the 2-position of the right ring.</p>	Active
35	 <p>Chemical structure of 2,2'-bipyridine, consisting of two pyridine rings linked at their 2-positions.</p>	Inactive
36	 <p>Chemical structure of 2,2'-bipyridine, consisting of two pyridine rings linked at their 2-positions.</p>	Active
37	 <p>Chemical structure of 2,2'-bipyridine-5,5'-diamine, consisting of two pyridine rings linked at their 2-positions, with an amino group (-NH<sub>2</sub>) attached to the 5-position of the left ring and a carboxylic acid group (-COOH) attached to the 5-position of the right ring.</p>	Inactive

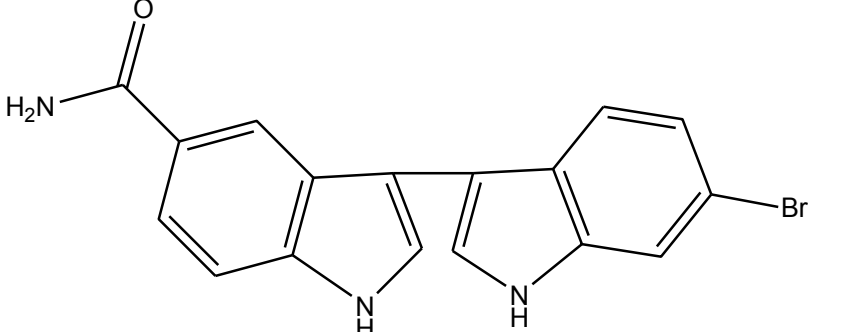
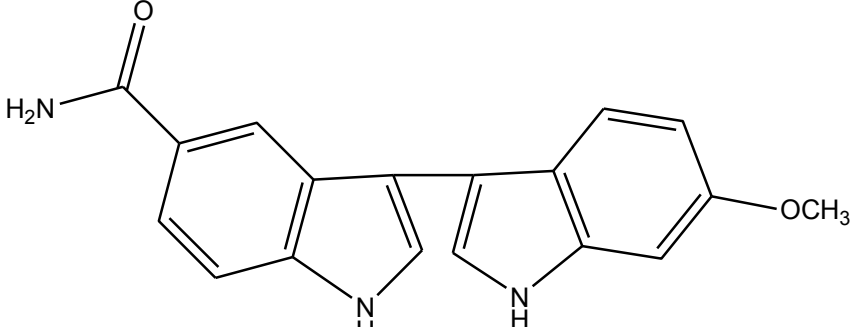
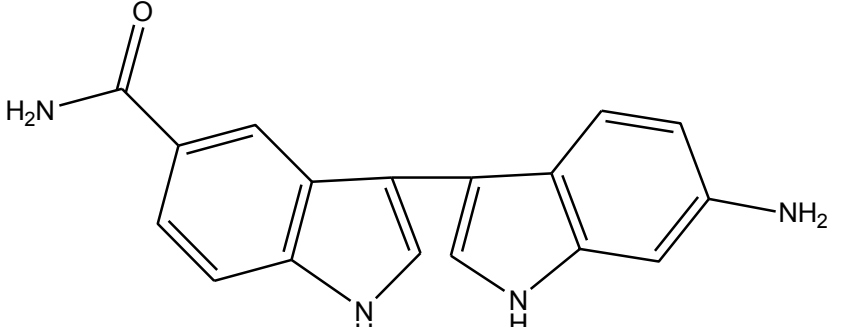
38		Inactive
39		Active
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42		Active
43		Active
44		Active
45		Active
46		Active

47		Inactive
48		Active
49		Active
50		Inactive

51	 <p>Chemical structure of 5-amino-2-(5-bromophenyl)imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine. It features a central imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine ring system. The 5-position of the pyridine ring is substituted with an amino group (-NH<sub>2</sub>), and the 2-position is substituted with a 5-bromophenyl group.</p>	Active
52	 <p>Chemical structure of 2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine. It features a central imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine ring system. The 2-position is substituted with a 4-hydroxyphenyl group.</p>	Active
53	 <p>Chemical structure of 2-(3,5-dihydroxyphenyl)imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine. It features a central imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine ring system. The 2-position is substituted with a 3,5-dihydroxyphenyl group.</p>	Active
54	 <p>Chemical structure of 2-(3-hydroxy-5-methoxyphenyl)imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine. It features a central imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine ring system. The 2-position is substituted with a 3-hydroxy-5-methoxyphenyl group.</p>	Active
55	 <p>Chemical structure of 2-(3-hydroxy-5-chlorophenyl)imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine. It features a central imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine ring system. The 2-position is substituted with a 3-hydroxy-5-chlorophenyl group.</p>	Active

56	 <p>Chemical structure of 5-bromo-L-tryptophan, featuring a tryptophan core with a bromine atom at the 5-position of the indole ring.</p>	Active
57	 <p>Chemical structure of 5-amino-L-tryptophan, featuring a tryptophan core with an amino group at the 5-position of the indole ring.</p>	Active
58	 <p>Chemical structure of 5-cyano-L-tryptophan, featuring a tryptophan core with a cyano group at the 5-position of the indole ring.</p>	Inactive
59	 <p>Chemical structure of 5-hydroxy-L-tryptophan, featuring a tryptophan core with a hydroxyl group at the 5-position of the indole ring and an amino acid side chain at the 3-position.</p>	Active
60	 <p>Chemical structure of 5-chloro-L-tryptophan, featuring a tryptophan core with a chlorine atom at the 5-position of the indole ring and an amino acid side chain at the 3-position.</p>	Active

61	 <p>Chemical structure of compound 61: A bis-indole molecule. The left indole ring is substituted with a benzamide group (-C(=O)NH<sub>2</sub>) at the 2-position. The right indole ring is substituted with a bromine atom (-Br) at the 6-position.</p>	Inactive
62	 <p>Chemical structure of compound 62: A bis-indole molecule. The left indole ring is substituted with a benzamide group (-C(=O)NH<sub>2</sub>) at the 2-position. The right indole ring is substituted with a methoxy group (-OCH<sub>3</sub>) at the 6-position.</p>	Inactive
63	 <p>Chemical structure of compound 63: A bis-indole molecule. The left indole ring is substituted with a benzamide group (-C(=O)NH<sub>2</sub>) at the 2-position. The right indole ring is substituted with an amino group (-NH<sub>2</sub>) at the 6-position.</p>	Active



# Appendix 10: Library of Known Drugs

abacavir sulfate	amcinonide
abciximab	amikacin sulfate
acarbose	amiloride hydrochloride
acebutolol hydrochloride	aminocaproic acid
acetaminophen	aminophylline
acetylcysteine	amiodarone hydrochloride
acetylsalicylic acid (ASA)	amitriptyline hydrochloride
acitretin	amlodipine besylate
acyclovir	amobarbital sodium
adapalene	amoxicillin trihydrate
adenosine	amphotericin B
alendronate	ampicillin
alfacalcidol	amprenavir
alfentanil hydrochloride	amsacrine
alfuzosin	anagrelide hydrochloride
alginic acid	anakinra
alitetinoin	anastrozole
allopurinol	ancestim
alpha tocopherol	anthralin
alprazolam	aprotinin
alprostadil	articaïne hydrochloride
altretamine	ascorbic acid
aluminum hydroxide	atenolol
amantadine hydrochloride	atorvastatin calcium

atovaquone	bismuth subsalicylate
atracurium besylate	bisoprolol fumarate
atropine sulfate	bleomycin sulfate
attapulgite, activated	bosentan
aurothioglucose	botulinum toxin type A
azatadine maleate	bovine lipid extract surfactant
azathioprine	bretylium tosylate
azithromycin	bromazepam
bacampicillin hydrochloride	bromocriptine mesylate
bacitracin	brompheniramine maleate
baclofen	budesonide
basiliximab	bumetanide
beclomethasone dipropionate	bupivacaine hydrochloride
benazepril	bupropion hydrochloride
benzocaine	buserelin
benzoyl peroxide	bupirone hydrochloride
benztropine mesylate	busulfan
beractant	butalbital
betamethasone acetate	butorphanol tartrate
betamethasone sodium phosphate	butyl methoxydibenzoylmethane (Parsol 1789)
bethanechol chloride	calcipotriol
bezafibrate	calcitonin salmon
bicalutamide	calcitriol
biperiden hydrochloride	calcium carbonate
bisacodyl	candesartan cilexetil

cantharidin	celecoxib
capecitabine	cephalexin
capsaicin	cetirizine hydrochloride
captopril	cevonorgesterl/ethinyl estradiol
carbamazepine	chloral hydrate
carboplatin	chlorambucil
carisoprodol	chloramphenicol
carmustine	chlordiazepoxide hydrochloride
carvedilol	chlorhexidine acetate
cascara	chloroprocaine hydrochloride
caspofungin acetate	chloroquine phosphate
cefaclor	chlorphenesin
cefadroxil	chlorpheniramine maleate
cefazolin sodium	chlorpromazine hydrochloride
cefepime hydrochloride	chlorpropamide
cefixime	chlortetracycline hydrochloride
cefotaxime sodium	chlorthalidone
cefotetan disodium	cholecalciferol
cefoxitin sodium	cholestyramine resin
cefprozil	choline salicylate
ceftazidime	ciazepam
ceftazidime pentahydrate	ciclopirox olamine
ceftizoxime sodium	cilazapril
ceftriaxone sodium	cimetidine
cefuroxime sodium	ciprofloxacin

ciprofloxacin hydrochloride	colestipol hydrochloride
cisatracurium besylate	colistimethate sodium
cisplatin	cortisone acetate
citalopram hydrobromide	erythromycin
cladribine	cyanocobalamin
clarithromycin	cyclizine lactate
clemastine hydrogen fumarate	cyclobenzaprine hydrochloride
clindamycin hydrochloride	cyclophosphamide
clioquinol	cycloserine
clobazam	cyclosporine
clobetasol 17-propionate	cyproheptadine hydrochloride
clodronate disodium	cyproterone acetate
clofibrate	cytarabine
clomiphene citrate	dacarbazine
clomipramine hydrochloride	daclizumab
clonazepam	dactinomycin
clonidine hydrochloride	dalteparin sodium
clopidogrel bisulfate	danaparoid sodium
clorazepate dipotassium	danazol
clotrimazole	dantrolene sodium
cloxacillin sodium	dapsone
clozapine	daunorubicin
cocaine hydrochloride	deferoxamine mesylate
codeine phosphate	delavirdine mesylate
colchicine	desflurane

desipramine hydrochloride	docetaxel
desloratadine	docusate calcium
desmopressin acetate	dolasetron mesylate
desonide	donepezil hydrochloride
desoximetasone	dopamine hydrochloride
dexamphetamine	doperidone maleate
diazepam	dornase alfa, recombinant
diazoxide	doxacurium chloride
diclofenac potassium	doxazosin
dicyclomine	doxepin hydrochloride
didanosine (ddl)	doxercalciferol
didanosine (ddl)	doxorubicin hydrochloride
diethylpropion hydrochloride	doxycycline hyclate
diethylstilbestrol sodium diphosphate	doxylamine succinate
diflucortolone valerate	dronabinol
diflunisal	econazole nitrate
digoxin	efavirenz
dihydroergotamine mesylate	enalapril maleate
dihydrotachysterol	enalaprilat
diltiazem hydrochloride	enflurane
dimenhydrinate	enoxaparin sodium
diphenhydramine	entacapone
dipyridamole	epinephrine
disopyramide	epirubicin hydrochloride
dobutamine hydrochloride	epoprostenol sodium

eprosartan mesylate	fenoterol hydrobromide
eptifibatide	fentanyl citrate
ergocalciferol (calciferol)	ferrous sulfate
erythromycin	fexofenadine hydrochloride
esmolol hydrochloride	filgrastim
estradiol	finasteride
estramustine sodium phosphate	flavoxate hydrochloride
estrone	flecainide acetate
estropipate	floctafenine
etanercept	fluconazole
ethacrynate sodium	flucytosine
ethacrynic acid	fludarabine phosphate
ethambutol hydrochloride	fludrocortisone acetate
ethinyl estradiol	flumazenil
ethopropazine hydrochloride	flumethasone pivalate
ethosuximide	flunarizine hydrochloride
etidronate	fluocinonide
etodolac	fluorouracil
etoposide	fluoxetine hydrochloride
exemestane	flupenthixol decanoate
famciclovir	fluphenazine decanoate
famotidine	flurazepam hydrochloride
felodipine	flurbiprofen
fenofibrate (micronized)	flutamide
fenpropfen calcium	fluticasone propionate

fluvastatin sodium	granisetron hydrochloride
fluvoxamine maleate	griseofulvin
folic acid	halcinonide
fomepizol	halobetasol propionate
fondaparins sodium	haloperidol
formoterol fumarate	homosalate
fosfomycin tromethamine	hydralazine hydrochloride
fosinopril sodium	hydrochlorothiazide
fosphenytoin sodium	hydrocortisone
framycetin sulfate	hydroquinone
furosemide	hydroxocobalamin
fusidic acid	hydroxychloroquine sulfate
gabapentin	hydroxyurea
galantamine hydrobromide	hydroxyzine hydrochloride
ganciclovir sodium	hyoscine hydrobromide
ganirelix acetate	ibuprofen
gatifloxacin	ibutilide fumarate
gemcitabine hydrochloride	idarubicin hydrochloride
gemfibrozil	idoxuridine
gentamicin sulfate	ifosfamide
gliclazide	imatinib mesylate
glyburide	imipramine hydrochloride
glycolic acid	imiquimod
gonadorelin acetate	indapamide
goserelin acetate	indapamine

indinavir sulfate	lepirudin
indomethacin	letrozole
iodoquinol	leuprolide acetate
ipecac	levodopa
irbsartan	levofloxacin
irinotecan hydrochloride	levonorgestrel
isoflurane	levothyroxine sodium
isoniazid	lidocaine
isoniazid	limepiride
isoproterenol	lincomycin hydrochloride monohydrate
isoproterenol hydrochloride	linezolid
isosorbide dinitrate	liothyronine sodium
isotretinoin	lisinopril
itraconazole	lithium carbonate
ketamine hydrochloride	lomustine
ketoconazole	loperamide hydrochloride
ketoproen	loratadine
ketorolac tromethamine	lorazepam
labetalol hydrochloride	losartan potassium
lactulose	lovastatin
lamivudine (3TC)	loxapine
lamivudine (3TC)	l-tryptohan
lamotrigine	magaldrate
lansoprazole	magnesium citrate
leflunomide	mannitol



maprotiline hydrochloride	methohexital sodium
mazindol	methotrimeprazine maleate
mebendazole	methoxamine hydrochloride
mechlorethamine hydrochloride	methoxsalen
meclizine hydrochloride	methsuximide
medrogestone	methyl dopa
medroxyprogesterone acetate	methylphenidate
mefenamic acid	methylprednisolone
mefloquine hydrochloride	methysergide maleate
megestrol acetate	metoclopramide hydrochloride
meloxicam	metolazone
melphalan	metoprolol tartrate
menthol	metronidazole
metronidazole	mexiletine hydrochloride
meperidine hydrochloride (pethidine)	miconazole nitrate
mepivacaine hydrochloride	midazolam hydrochloride
mercaptopurine	milrinone lactate
meropenem	minocycline hydrochloride
mesoridazine besylate	minoxidil
mestranol/norethindrone	<i>misoprostol</i>
metformin hydrochloride	mitomycin
methadone	mitotane
methenamine mandelate	mitoxantrone hydrochloride
methimazole	mivacurium chloride
methocarbamol	moclobemide

modafinil	neomycin sulfate
mometasone furoate	netilmicin sulfate
montelukast sodium	nevirapine
morphine hydrochloride	niacin
moxifloxacin hydrochloride	niacinamide
mupirocin	nicotine
mycophenolate mofetil	nicoumalone
nabilone	nifedipine
nabumetone	nilutamide
nadolol	nitrazepam
nadroparin calcium	nitrofurantion
nafarelin acetate	nitroglycerin
naftifine hydrochloride	nizatidne
nalbuphine hydrochloride	nonoxynol-9
nalidixic acid	norelgestromin/ethinyl estradiol
naloxone hydrochloride	norepinephrine bitartrate
naltexone hydrochloride	norethindrone
nandrolone decanoate	norfloxacin
naparoxen	nortriptyline hydrochloride
naproxen sodium	nylidrin hydrochloride
naratriptan hydrochloride	nystatin
nateglinide	octocrylene
nedocromil sodium	octreotide acetate
nefazodone hydrochloride	octyl dimethyl PABA (Padimate O)
nelfinavir	octyl methoxycinnamate (Parsol MCX)

octyl salicylate	pantothenic acid (calcium pantothenate)
ofloxacin	papaverine hydrochloride
olanzapine	para-aminosalicylate sodium (PAS sodium)
omeprazole magnesium	paraldehyde
ondansetron	paromomycin sulfate
orciprenaline sulfate	paroxetine
orlistat	penicillamine
orphenandrine citrate	penicillin G sodium
oseltamivir	pentamidine isethionate
oxaprozin	pentazocine hydrochloride
oxazepam	pentobarbital sodium
oxbenzoneterephthalylidene dicamphor sulfonic acid	pentostatin
oxcarbazepine	pentoxifylline
oxiconazole nitrate	pergolide mesylate
oxprenolol hydrochloride	pericyazine
oxtriphylline	perindopril erbumine
oxybutynin chloride	perphenazine
oxycodone hydrochloride	phenazopyridine hydrochloride
oxymorphone hydrochloride	phenelzine sulfate
oxytocin	phenobarbital
paclitaxel	phenoxymethyl penicillin
pamabrom	phentermine
pamidronate disodium	phentolamine mesylate
pancuronium bromide	phenylbenzimidazole sulfonic acid (Parsol HS)
pantoprazole sodium	phenylbutazone

phenylephrine hydrochloride	prilocaine hydrochloride
phenytoin	primaquine phosphate
phytonadione	primidone
pimozide	probenecid
pinaverium bromide	procainamide hydrochloride
pindolol	procaine hydrochloride
pioglitazone	procarbazine hydrochloride
piperacillin sodium	prochlorperazine
pipotiazine palmitate	procyclidine hydrochloride
piroxicam	proguanil
pivampicillin	promazine hydrochloride
pizotifen	promethazine hydrochloride
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prednisolone	pyridoxine hydrochloride
prednisolone sodium phosphate	pyrimethamine
prednisone	pyrvinium pamoate

quetiapine fumarate	rofecoxib
quinapril hydrochloride	ropinirole hydrochloride
quinidine bisulfate	ropivacaine hydrochloride
quinupristin/dalfopristin	rosiglitazone
rabavirin	salbutamol
rabeprazole	salicylic acid
rabeprazole sodium	salmeterol xinafoate
raloxifene hydrochloride	saquinavir
raltitrexed disodium	scopolamine
ramipril	secobarbital sodium
<i>ranitidie hydrochloride</i>	selegiline hydrochloride
ranitidine hydrochloride	selenium sulfide
remifentanil hydrochloride	sertaline hydrochloride
repaglinide	sertraline
retinol	sevelamer hydrochloride
riboflavin	sevoflurane
rifabutin	sibutramine
rifabutin	sildenafil citrate
rifampin	silver sulfadiazine
risedronate	simethicone
risperidone	simvastatin
ritonavir	sirolimus
rivastigmine tartrate	slfadiazine
rizatriptan benzoate	sodium alginate
rocuronium bromide	sodium arothiomalate

sodium fusidate	sulfinpyrazone
sodium nitroprusside	sulindac
sodium phosphates	sumatriptan succinate
sodium thiosulfate	tacrolimus
solapsone	tamoxifen citrate
somatostatin	tamsulosin hydrochloride
somatropin	taxaroten
sorbitol	tazarotene
sotalol hydrochloride	tazarotene
spiramycin	telmisartan
spironolactone	temazepam
spironolactone	temozolomide
stavudine (d4T)	teniposide
stavudine (d4T)	tenoxicam
sterculia gum	terazosin hydrochloride
streptomycin sulfate	terbinafine hydrochloride
streptomycin sulfate	terbutaline sulfate
streptozocin	terbutaline sulfate
strontium chloride	terconazole
succinylcholine chloride	testosterone
sucralfate	tetracaine
sufentanil citrate	tetracycline hydrochloride
sulfamethoxazole	theophylline
sulfapyridine	thiamine hydrochloride
sulfasalazine	thioguanine

thiopropazine mesylate	triamterene
thioridazine hydrochloride	triamterene /hydrochlorothiazide
thiotepa	triclosan
thiothixene	triethanolamine salicylate
tiaprofenic acid	trifluoperazine hydrochloride
ticarcillin disodium	trifluridine
ticlipidine hydrochloride	trifluoperazine hydrochloride
timolol maleate	trihexyphenidyl hydrochloride
tinzaparin sodium	trimcinolone
tioconazole	trimebutine
tirofiban hydrochloride	trimeprazine tartrate
tizanidine	trimethoprim
tobramycin sulfate	trimipramine maleate
tolbutamide	trizolam
tolmetin sodium	undecylenic acid
tolnaftate	ursodiol
tolterodine L-tartrate	valacyclovir hydrochloride
topiramate	valganciclovir
topotecan hydrochloride	valproic acid
trandolapril	valrubicin
tranexamic acid	valsartan
tranlycypromine sulfate	vancomycin hydrochloride
trazodone hydrochloride	vasopressin
tretinoin	vecuronium bromide
triamcinolone	venlafaxine

verapamil hydrochloride

vigabatrin

vinblastine sulfate

vincristine sulfate

vinorelbine tartrate

warfarin sodium

zafirlukast

zalcitabine (ddC)

zaleplon

zanamivir

zidovudine (AZT)

zoledronic acid

zolmitriptan

zopiclone

zuclope



# Appendix 11: Gas Phase Results of Solapsonone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> and Solapsonone

For all tables, purple cells indicate cation- $\pi$  interactions, blue indicates  $\pi$ - $\pi$  and orange indicates hydrogen bonds

## Gas phase results of Solapsonone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> and the 1AMB conformer of A $\beta$

Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10														
Final Orientation	LB2	RB2			LS1					Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K					
										Final Orientation	LB1				RB1				
											LB1				RS1				
											CS				2 Hbonds				
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	2 sites each									Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	4 sites (2L + 2R)								
Total Energy	-206.263									Total Energy	-223.191								
van der Waals	91.113									van der Waals	89.175								
electrostatic	-485.772									electrostatic	-497.51								
$\Delta$ Es	-47.427									$\Delta$ Es	-64.355								
	-8.008										-9.946								
	-50.493										-62.231								
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Val18	Glu22			Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K					
Final Orientation	RB1	LB2			CS	LB2	LB2			Final Orientation	LB2			RB2					
		LB2			RB1														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	2 sites each									Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	3 sites (2R + 1L)								
Total Energy	-238.032									Total Energy	-183.091								
van der Waals	86.985									van der Waals	82.931								
electrostatic	-502.925									electrostatic	-458.915								
$\Delta$ Es	-79.196									$\Delta$ Es	-24.255								
	-12.136										-16.19								
	-67.646										-23.636								
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Val18			Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	Phe20			
Final Orientation	LB1	RS1			CS	LS1	RS2			Final Orientation	RS1			LS1	RS1	LS1			
	LB1	RS1					RB2				LB1			RS1	RS1	LS1			
	LS1																		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	5 sites (2 + 3)									Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	5 sites (3L + 2R)								
Total Energy	-233.529									Total Energy	-241.321								
van der Waals	82.133									van der Waals	78.068								
electrostatic	-497.803									electrostatic	-506.181								
$\Delta$ Es	-74.693									$\Delta$ Es	-82.485								
	-16.988										-21.053								
	-62.524										-70.902								
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	Phe20				Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	Phe20			
Final Orientation	RB1	CS			LB1	LS1				Final Orientation	LS1			RS1	CS	RS1			
	RB1	CS			LB1	LS1					LS1			RS1	CS	RS1			
	CS													RB1					
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	6 sites (3 each)									Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	6 sites (3 each)								
Total Energy	-224.646									Total Energy	-211.061								
van der Waals	85.647									van der Waals	89.649								
electrostatic	-491.822									electrostatic	-480.806								
$\Delta$ Es	-65.61									$\Delta$ Es	-52.225								
	-13.474										-9.472								
	-56.543										-45.527								
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	His6	Tyr10				Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10				
Final Orientation	RB2				LB2	RS1	RB2			Final Orientation	RB2	LB2				LB2	LS2		
					LB2	RS1	RB2				RB2	LB2							
					LS1						RS2								
					2Hbond														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	4 sites (2 each)									Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	4 sites (2 each)								
Total Energy	-226.003									Total Energy	-211.64								
van der Waals	89.617									van der Waals	87.759								
electrostatic	-499.098									electrostatic	-480.945								
$\Delta$ Es	-67.167									$\Delta$ Es	-52.804								
	-9.504										-11.362								
	-63.819										-45.666								
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17				Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Val18		
Final Orientation	LS1	RS2			LS1	LB2				Final Orientation	RS2	LS1			RS1	LB2	RS1	LS1	
	LS1	Gd <sup>3+</sup>			LS1	LB2					RS2	LS1			RS1	LB2	RS1	LS1	
		RS2			C=O						RB2	LB2				LB1			
		LS1									RS1	LS2							
		-CH2-										-CH2-							
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	5 sites (3L + 2R)									Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	4 sites (2 each)								
Total Energy	-235.169									Total Energy	-248.404								
van der Waals	84.987									van der Waals	77.417								
electrostatic	-505.238									electrostatic	-506.112								
$\Delta$ Es	-76.333									$\Delta$ Es	-89.568								
	-14.134										-21.704								
	-69.959										-70.833								

Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	Phe20	Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	Phe20
Final Orientation	RS1			LS2	RS1	Gd <sup>3+</sup>	Final Orientation	LS1			RS1	LS1	RS1
				LS1	RS2	LS2							
				-CH2-		LB2							
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @	5 sites (3R + 2L)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @	5 sites (3L + 2R)					
Total Energy	-228.838						Total Energy	-214.508					
van der Waals	81.443						van der Waals	91.245					
electrostatic	-488.473						electrostatic	-485.579					
ΔEs	-70.002						ΔEs	-55.672					
	-17.678							-7.876					
	-53.194							-50.3					
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17		Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	Phe20
Final Orientation	LS2			RS2			Final Orientation	RS2			LS2	LS2	LB1
	LS1			RS1	LS1			RB2			LS2		
				2				RB2			LB2		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @	5 sites (3L + 2R)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> @	6 sites (2R + 2L + 2L)					
Total Energy	-218.219						Total Energy	-216.515					
van der Waals	93.365						van der Waals	84.462					
electrostatic	-490.309						electrostatic	-485.249					
ΔEs	-59.383						ΔEs	-57.679					
	-5.756							-14.659					
	-55.03							-49.97					
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Phe20		Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	Val18
Final Orientation	LS1			RS2			Final Orientation	LB2	RB2		LB2	RS2	RB2
	LS1			RS2	RB2			RB2				LS2	
												LB2	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @	5 sites (3L + 2R)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @	3 sites (2L + 1R)					
Total Energy	-206.592						Total Energy	-218.66					
van der Waals	92.684						van der Waals	81.656					
electrostatic	-480.249						electrostatic	-478.411					
ΔEs	-47.756						ΔEs	-59.824					
	-6.437							-17.465					
	-44.97							-43.132					
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17		Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	
Final Orientation	LS2	LB2		RB2			Final Orientation	RB2	LB2	RB2		RB2	
	LS2	LB2		RB2	RS2			RS2					
		-CH2-			RB2								
		LS2											
		-CH-											
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @	4 sites (2 each)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @	5 sites (2 + 3)					
Total Energy	-228.906						Total Energy	-191.485					
van der Waals	83.88						van der Waals	92.94					
electrostatic	-492.195						electrostatic	-462.602					
ΔEs	-70.07						ΔEs	-32.649					
	-15.241							-6.381					
	-56.916							-27.323					
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16		Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Asp23	
Final Orientation			RB2	LB2			Final Orientation	RB2	LB2	RB2	RB2	RB2	
			RB2		RB1			RS2					
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @	5 sites (2 + 3)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @	5 sites (3L + 2R)					
Total Energy	-196.265						Total Energy	-215.555					
van der Waals	85.138						van der Waals	93.234					
electrostatic	-460.946						electrostatic	-479.733					
ΔEs	-37.429						ΔEs	-53.27					
	-13.383							-6.89					
	-25.667							-44.454					
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16		Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16	Asp23
Final Orientation	RB2	LB2	LB1	RB1			Final Orientation	RB2	LB2	RB2	RB2	RB2	RB2
					RB1								
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @	6 sites - 3 each						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @	5 sites (3L + 2R)					
Total Energy	-196.265						Total Energy	-215.555					
van der Waals	85.138						van der Waals	93.234					
electrostatic	-460.946						electrostatic	-490.155					
ΔEs	-37.429						ΔEs	-56.719					
	-13.383							-5.887					
	-25.667							-54.876					
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F			Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16	Asp23
Final Orientation	RB2	LB2	LB2				Final Orientation	RB2	LB2	CS*	LB1	LNH	LB2
												LNH	CS
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @	5 sites (3L + 2R)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> @	6 sites, 2 each (R has 2 SO3 L has 1)					
Total Energy	-214.701						Total Energy	-237.856		* w/CH2 of side chain			
van der Waals	89.395						van der Waals	86.535					
electrostatic	-480.931						electrostatic	-513.324					
ΔEs	-55.865						ΔEs	-79.02					
	-9.726							-12.586					
	-45.652							-78.045					

Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	Gln15		Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	Lys28
Final Orientation		LB1	RB1		RS1	RB1		Final Orientation	RB1			LB1	RS1	LS1
		RB1	CS			CS			RB1					LNH
		LB1							RNH					
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	5 sites (3L + 2R)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	6 sites (3 each)					
Total Energy	-192.333							Total Energy	-225.033					
van der Waals	89.118							van der Waals	87.41					
electrostatic	-454.094							electrostatic	-497.616					
ΔEs	-33.497							ΔEs	-66.197					
	-10.003								-11.711					
	-18.815								-62.337					
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Gln15			Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	Lys28
Final Orientation		RB1	LB1		CS			Final Orientation	LB1			RB1	LS1	RS1
		RB1	LB1						LB1					
			CS											
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	5 sites (3L + 2R)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	5 sites (3R + 2L)					
Total Energy	-194.654							Total Energy	-232.85					
van der Waals	88.431							van der Waals	88.43					
electrostatic	-452.907							electrostatic	-503.133					
ΔEs	-35.818							ΔEs	-74.014					
	-10.69								-10.691					
	-17.628								-67.854					
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Ala21	Lys28		Initial orientation	L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation		RB2	LB2		LB2	LS1		Final Orientation	RB2			LB2		
		RB2			LB2				RB2					
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	4 sites (2 each)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	5 sites (3L + 2R)					
Total Energy	-216.817							Total Energy	-174.26					
van der Waals	82.737							van der Waals	94.836					
electrostatic	-482.741							electrostatic	-449.527					
ΔEs	-57.981							ΔEs	-15.424					
	-16.384								-4.285					
	-47.462								-14.248					
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Gly25			Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys28	
Final Orientation		LB2			RB2			Final Orientation	LB2			RB2	RS1	
		LB2							LB2					
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	5 sites (3L + 2R)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	5 sites (3L + 2R)					
Total Energy	-209.847							Total Energy	-196.093					
van der Waals	89.957							van der Waals	92.946					
electrostatic	-483.479							electrostatic	-469.645					
ΔEs	-51.011							ΔEs	-37.257					
	-9.164								-6.175					
	-48.2								-34.366					

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Initial orientation	H	H	Q		K	Tyr10		Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	Phe20
Final Orientation	LB2	RB2				LS2		Final Orientation	RS2			LS2	RB2	LB2
									RB2			LS1		
									RS1			2		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	5 sites (2R & 3L)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	6 sites (3L & 3R)					
Total Energy	-195.765							Total Energy	-207.886					
van der Waals	104.78							van der Waals	104.263					
electrostatic	-499.452							electrostatic	-504.147					
ΔEs	-48.103							ΔEs	-60.224					
	-5.05								-5.567					
	-50.517								-55.212					
Initial orientation	H	H	Q		K	Leu17		Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	
Final Orientation	RB2	LB2				RB2		Final Orientation	LB1			RB1	CS	
	RB2	LB2							LB1			RS1		
	RS2	LB2				LS1			LB1					
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	4 sites (2L & 2R)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @	6 sites (3L & 3R)					
Total Energy	-201.584							Total Energy	-204.639					
van der Waals	94.463							van der Waals	97.662					
electrostatic	-488.395							electrostatic	-500.604					
ΔEs	-53.922							ΔEs	-56.977					
	-15.367								-12.168					
	-39.46								-51.669					

Initial orientation	H RB1	H LB1	Q	K	Tyr10		Initial orientation	H RB1	H	Q	K LB1	Leu17	Phe20	
Final Orientation	RB1 CS	LB1 -CH2-			LB1		Final Orientation	CS			LB1 -CH2-	CS	LS1	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)								
Total Energy	-197.934						Total Energy	-198.939						
van der Waals	100.293						van der Waals	103.295						
electrostatic	-489.578						electrostatic	-492.027						
ΔEs	-50.272						ΔEs	-51.277						
	-9.537							-6.535						
	-40.643							-43.092						
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)								
Initial orientation	H LB1	H RB1	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Initial orientation	H LS1	H	Q	K RS1	Leu17	Phe20	
Final Orientation	LS1	RB1 CS			CS	LS1	Final Orientation	LB1 LS1			RS1 LB1 RB1	CS	RS1	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)								
Total Energy	-218.345						Total Energy	-202.506						
van der Waals	97.452						van der Waals	99.885						
electrostatic	-506.372						electrostatic	-495.451						
ΔEs	-70.683						ΔEs	-54.844						
	-12.378							-9.945						
	-57.437							-46.516						
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)								
Initial orientation	H LB2	H	Q	K RB2			Initial orientation	H RS1	H	Q	K LS1	Leu17		
Final Orientation	LB2			RB2			Final Orientation	RB1			LS1	RS1		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)								
Total Energy	-183.466						Total Energy	-205.393						
van der Waals	102.853						van der Waals	99.724						
electrostatic	-484.495						electrostatic	-497.001						
ΔEs	-35.804						ΔEs	-57.731						
	-6.977							-10.106						
	-35.56							-48.066						
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 2R & 1R)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 2R & 1R)								
Initial orientation	H RB2	H	Q	K LB2		Phe20	Initial orientation	H RS1	H	Q	K LS1	Leu17		
Final Orientation	RB2			LB2		LB1	Final Orientation	RB1			LS1	RS1		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 2R & 1R)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 2R & 1R)								
Total Energy	-208.953						Total Energy	-208.953						
van der Waals	95.955						van der Waals	95.955						
electrostatic	-496.192						electrostatic	-496.192						
ΔEs	-61.291						ΔEs	-61.291						
	-13.875							-13.875						
	-47.257							-47.257						
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 3 sites (2R & 2L)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 3 sites (2R & 2L)								
Initial orientation	H RB2	H RB2	Q	K LB2	Tyr10		Initial orientation	H RB2	H LB2	Q	K RB2	Tyr10	Leu17	
Final Orientation	LS2	RB2 -CH2-		RS2	RS1	LS2	Final Orientation	RB2	LS2		LB2	RS2	LS2	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 3 sites (2R & 2L)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 3 sites (2R & 2L)								
Total Energy	-218.045						Total Energy	-229.735						
van der Waals	86.523						van der Waals	94.325						
electrostatic	-498.937						electrostatic	-518.809						
ΔEs	-70.383						ΔEs	-82.073						
	-23.307							-15.505						
	-50.002							-69.874						
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)								
Initial orientation	H RS1	H	Q	K LS2	Leu17		Initial orientation	H LS2	H	Q	K RS1	Tyr10	Leu17	
Final Orientation	RS1			LS1 LS2	RS1		Final Orientation	LB1 LS1 LS2			RS1 LB1	LS1	CS	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)								
Total Energy	-207.725						Total Energy	-205.009						
van der Waals	102.109						van der Waals	98.398						
electrostatic	-508.407						electrostatic	-497.754						
ΔEs	-60.063						ΔEs	-57.347						
	-7.721							-11.432						
	-59.472							-48.819						
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)								
Initial orientation	H LS1	H	Q	K RS2	Phe20		Initial orientation	H RS2	H	Q	K LS1	Tyr10	Leu17	Phe20
Final Orientation	LS1			RS2 2	RB2		Final Orientation	RB1	RS1		LB1	RS1	LS1	LS1
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)								
Total Energy	-191.081						Total Energy	-223.142						
van der Waals	105.299						van der Waals	97.643						
electrostatic	-490.172						electrostatic	-514.301						
ΔEs	-43.419						ΔEs	-75.48						
	-4.531							-12.187						
	-41.237							-65.366						

	L	V	F	F	His13	Ala21		L	V	F	F	Val12	Lys16
Initial orientation	LB2	RB2						RB1	LB1				
Final Orientation	LB2	RB2			LB2	RB2		RB1	LB1				LB1
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> @ 4 sites (2L & 2R)													LS1
Total Energy	-186.508							-204.005					
van der Waals	95.002							91.3					
electrostatic	-475.007							-491.278					
ΔEs	-38.846							-56.343					
	-14.828							-15.53					
	-26.132							-42.343					
Initial orientation	RB2	LB2		F			L	V	F	F		Lys16	
Final Orientation	RB2	LB2					LB1	RB1			RB1		
							LB1	RS1			RS1		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)										-CH2-			
Total Energy	-170.378							-213.926					
van der Waals	102.679							92.888					
electrostatic	-467.903							-500.231					
ΔEs	-22.716							-66.264					
	-7.151							-16.942					
	-18.968							-51.296					
Initial orientation	LB1	RB1		F			L	V	F	F		His13	Lys16
Final Orientation	LB1	CS					LB2			RB2	LB2	RS2	RB2
							RS2			RS2			
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)													
Total Energy	-182.583							-230.053					
van der Waals	106.438							97.692					
electrostatic	-484.526							-522.929					
ΔEs	-34.921							-82.391					
	-3.392							-12.138					
	-35.591							-73.994					
Initial orientation	LB1	LB1		F		Tyr10	His13	L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation	RB1	CS				RB2	RS1	RB2			LB2		
							RS2	RB2			LB2		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)													
Total Energy	-207.366							-182.787					
van der Waals	96.413							105.725					
electrostatic	-494.721							-480.351					
ΔEs	-59.704							-35.125					
	-18.417							-4.105					
	-45.786							-31.416					
Initial orientation	LB2	RB2		F		Gln15		L	V	F	F	Lys16	His13
Final Orientation	RB2	RB2				RS2		RB1			LB2	RS1	RS1
								RS1					
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)													
Total Energy	-180.092							-211.674					
van der Waals	103.516							94.831					
electrostatic	-479.083							-502.584					
ΔEs	-32.43							-64.012					
	-6.318							-14.999					
	-30.148							-53.649					
Initial orientation	RB2	LB2		F		Glu22		L	V	F	F	His13	Lys16
Final Orientation	RB2	LB2				LB2		LB1			RB1	LS1	LS1
								LNH			CS		LNH
								LB1					
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)													
Total Energy	-185.121							-221.577					
van der Waals	105.031							97.62					
electrostatic	-483.797							-516.356					
ΔEs	-37.459							-74.915					
	-4.797							-12.21					
	-34.862							-67.421					
Initial orientation	LB1	RB1		F		Gln15	Glu22	L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation	LB1	RB1				CS	RB1	RB2			LB2		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> @ 4 sites (2L & 2R) and Glu22 @ 2 sites													
Total Energy	-221.776							-168.877					
van der Waals	96.535							104.962					
electrostatic	-527.107							-466.488					
ΔEs	-74.134							-21.215					
	-13.265							-5.768					
	-78.172							-17.553					
Initial orientation	RB1	LB1		F		Gln15		L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation	RB1	LB1				CS		LB2			RB2		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> @ 4 sites (3L & 1R) and Glu22 @ 2 sites													
Total Energy	-210.708							-176.797					
van der Waals	99.258							107.292					
electrostatic	-506.405							-476.054					
ΔEs	-63.046							-29.135					
	-10.572							-2.538					
	-57.47							-26.719					
Initial orientation	LB2	RB2		F				L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation	RB2	LB2						LB2			RB2	RS2	LB2
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> @ 6 sites (3L & 2R & 1R)													
Total Energy	-187.245							-211.151					
van der Waals	106.971							102.366					
electrostatic	-487.614							-509.153					
ΔEs	-39.583							-63.489					
	-2.859							-7.464					
	-38.679							-60.218					
Initial orientation	LB2	RB2		F				L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation	RB2	LB2						RB2			LB2		
								RS2			RB2		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)													
Total Energy	-169.798							-234.218					
van der Waals	109.671							102.274					
electrostatic	-474.804							-531.47					
ΔEs	-22.136							-86.556					
	-0.159							-7.556					
	-29.869							-82.555					
Initial orientation	LB2	RB2		F				L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation	RB2	LB2						RS2			LB2		
								RB2					
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)													
Total Energy	-169.798							-234.218					
van der Waals	109.671							102.274					
electrostatic	-474.804							-531.47					
ΔEs	-22.136							-86.556					
	-0.159							-7.556					
	-29.869							-82.555					
Initial orientation	LB2	RB2		F				L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation	RB2	LB2						RS2			LB2		
								RB2					
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)													
Total Energy	-169.798							-234.218					
van der Waals	109.671							102.274					
electrostatic	-474.804							-531.47					
ΔEs	-22.136							-86.556					
	-0.159							-7.556					
	-29.869							-82.555					
Initial orientation	LB2	RB2		F				L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation	RB2	LB2						RS2			LB2		
								RB2					
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)													
Total Energy	-169.798							-234.218					
van der Waals	109.671							102.274					
electrostatic	-474.804							-531.47					
ΔEs	-22.136							-86.556					
	-0.159							-7.556					
	-29.869							-82.555					
Initial orientation	LB2	RB2		F				L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation	RB2	LB2						RS2			LB2		
								RB2					
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)													
Total Energy	-169.798							-234.218					
van der Waals													

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Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K				Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10		
Final Orientation	LB2	RB2						Final Orientation	RB2	LB2				RS2	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)															
Total Energy	7.462														
van der Waals	136.518														
electrostatic	-386.936														
AEs	-28.031														
	-2.232														
	-31.841														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 4 sites (2R & 2L)															
Total Energy	-27.892														
van der Waals	132.759														
electrostatic	-414.173														
AEs	-69.385														
	-5.971														
	-59.908														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 7 sites (3L & 2R & 2R)															
Total Energy	-79.292														
van der Waals	131.807														
electrostatic	-467.126														
AEs	-114.795														
	-6.953														
	-112.861														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)															
Total Energy	-8.889														
van der Waals	131.525														
electrostatic	-394.301														
AEs	-44.376														
	7.205														
	-40.036														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)															
Total Energy	-53.324														
van der Waals	129.286														
electrostatic	-429.627														
AEs	-88.827														
	-9.444														
	-75.362														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)															
Total Energy	-34.66														
van der Waals	129.853														
electrostatic	-421.609														
AEs	-70.153														
	-8.877														
	-67.344														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)															
Total Energy	-60.487														
van der Waals	126.312														
electrostatic	-441.386														
AEs	-95.98														
	-12.497														
	-87.121														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)															
Total Energy	-23.292														
van der Waals	134.324														
electrostatic	-411.531														
AEs	-58.785														
	-4.496														
	-57.266														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 4 sites (3L & 1R)															
Total Energy	-44.994														
van der Waals	126.427														
electrostatic	-440.038														
AEs	-80.487														
	-2.303														
	-85.779														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)															
Total Energy	-89.716														
van der Waals	129.602														
electrostatic	-471.853														
AEs	-126.209														
	-9.128														
	-117.588														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 4 sites (2L & 2R)															
Total Energy	-60.352														
van der Waals	129.737														
electrostatic	-440.376														
AEs	-95.845														
	-8.993														
	-86.311														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 3R)															
Total Energy	70.149														
van der Waals	132.058														
electrostatic	-456.32														
AEs	-105.642														
	-6.672														
	-100.655														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)															
Total Energy	-54.202														
van der Waals	126.538														
electrostatic	-454.143														
AEs	-90.665														
	-12.194														
	-99.878														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 4 sites (2L & 2R)															
Total Energy	20.025														
van der Waals	116.429														
electrostatic	-367.064														
AEs	-15.468														
	-3.301														
	-12.799														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 3R)															
Total Energy	-70.205														
van der Waals	129.096														
electrostatic	-465.387														
AEs	-104.349														
	-8.632														
	-111.122														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 4 sites (2L & 2R)															
Total Energy	-60.352														
van der Waals	129.737														
electrostatic	-440.376														
AEs	-95.845														
	-8.993														
	-86.311														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 3R)															
Total Energy	-70.149														
van der Waals	132.058														
electrostatic	-456.32														
AEs	-105.642														
	-6.672														
	-100.655														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 4 sites (2L & 2R)															
Total Energy	-60.352														
van der Waals	129.737														
electrostatic	-440.376														
AEs	-95.845														
	-8.993														
	-86.311														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 3R)															
Total Energy	-70.149														
van der Waals	132.058														
electrostatic	-456.32														
AEs	-105.642														
	-6.672														
	-100.655														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 4 sites (2L & 2R)															
Total Energy	-60.352														
van der Waals	129.737														
electrostatic	-440.376														
AEs	-95.845														
	-8.993														
	-86.311														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 3R)															
Total Energy	-70.149														
van der Waals	132.058														
electrostatic	-456.32														
AEs	-105.642														
	-6.672														
	-100.655														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 4 sites (2L & 2R)															
Total Energy	-60.352														
van der Waals	129.737														
electrostatic	-440.376														
AEs	-95.845														
	-8.993														
	-86.311														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 3R)															
Total Energy	-70.149														
van der Waals	132.058														
electrostatic	-456.32														
AEs	-105.642														
	-6.672														
	-100.655														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 4 sites (2L & 2R)															
Total Energy	-60.352														
van der Waals	129.737														
electrostatic	-440.376														
AEs	-95.845														
	-8.993														
	-86.311														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 3R)															
Total Energy	-70.149														
van der Waals	132.058														
electrostatic	-456.32														
AEs	-105.642														
	-6.672														
	-100.655														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 4 sites (2L & 2R)															
Total Energy	-60.352														
van der Waals	129.737														
electrostatic	-440.376														
AEs	-95.845														
	-8.993														
	-86.311														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 3R)															
Total Energy	-70.149														
van der Waals	132.058														
electrostatic	-456.32														
AEs	-105.642														
	-6.672														
	-100.655														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 4 sites (2L & 2R)															
Total Energy	-60.352														
van der Waals	129.737														
electrostatic	-440.376														
AEs	-95.845														
	-8.993														
	-86.311														

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Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K							Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K						
Final Orientation	RB2	LB2									Final Orientation	LB2	RB2								
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)											Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 4 sites (2L & 2R)										
Total Energy	-82.819										Total Energy	-121.23									
van der Waals	105.686										van der Waals	101.278									
electrostatic	-418.894										electrostatic	-445.844									
ΔEs	-24.366										ΔEs	-62.777									
	-2.871											-7.279									
	-25.618											-52.568									
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)											Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)										
Total Energy	-127.595										Total Energy	-108.338									
van der Waals	101.57										van der Waals	102.36									
electrostatic	-454.871										electrostatic	-437.455									
ΔEs	-69.142										ΔEs	-49.885									
	-6.987											-6.197									
	-61.595											-44.179									
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)											Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)										
Total Energy	-112.131										Total Energy	-103.617									
van der Waals	104.871										van der Waals	108.071									
electrostatic	-446.028										electrostatic	-437.607									
ΔEs	-53.678										ΔEs	-45.164									
	-3.686											-0.486									
	-52.752											-44.331									
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)											Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 4 sites (2L & 2R)										
Total Energy	-139.151										Total Energy	-143.452									
van der Waals	93.593										van der Waals	91.58									
electrostatic	-469.703										electrostatic	-469.77									
ΔEs	-80.698										ΔEs	-84.999									
	-14.964											-16.977									
	-76.427											-76.494									
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)											Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)										
Total Energy	-144.663										Total Energy	-103.562									
van der Waals	92.843										van der Waals	101.296									
electrostatic	-469.321										electrostatic	-438.781									
ΔEs	-86.21										ΔEs	-45.109									
	-15.714											-7.261									
	-76.045											-45.505									
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)											Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)										
Total Energy	-123.388										Total Energy	-107.676									
van der Waals	102.375										van der Waals	102.832									
electrostatic	-452.891										electrostatic	-440.322									
ΔEs	-64.935										ΔEs	-49.223									
	-6.182											-5.725									
	-59.615											-47.046									
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)											Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (2L & 3R)										
Total Energy	-96.799										Total Energy	-130.154									
van der Waals	104										van der Waals	102.547									
electrostatic	-427.323										electrostatic	-460.94									
ΔEs	-38.346										ΔEs	-71.701									
	-4.557											-6.01									
	-34.047											-67.664									
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)											Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>2</sub> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)										
Total Energy	-123.114										Total Energy	-124.556									
van der Waals	94.718										van der Waals	102.651									
electrostatic	-451.398										electrostatic	-452.962									
ΔEs	-64.661										ΔEs	-66.103									
	-13.839											-5.906									
	-58.122											-59.686									

Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	His14	Glu22	Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Gln15	Glu22
Final Orientation	LB2	LS2	RB2		LS1	RB2	Final Orientation	RB2	RS2	LB2		LB2	LB2
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)						
Total Energy	-141.471						Total Energy	-112.926					
van der Waals	99.109						van der Waals	98.713					
electrostatic	-469.084						electrostatic	-434.898					
ΔEs	-83.018						ΔEs	-54.473					
	-9.448							-9.844					
	-75.808							-41.622					
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Gln15	Glu22	Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Gln15	Glu22
Final Orientation	LB1	CS	RB1		LS2	CS	Final Orientation	RB1	LB1	CS	CS	LS2	LS2
					RB1	RS1							
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R) and Glu22 @ 1 site						
Total Energy	-112.086						Total Energy	-133.478					
van der Waals	95.241						van der Waals	101.993					
electrostatic	-432.619						electrostatic	-470.459					
ΔEs	-53.633						ΔEs	-75.025					
	-13.316							-6.564					
	-39.343							-77.183					
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	His14	Gln15	Initial orientation	L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation	LB2	RB2			RS2	RB2	Final Orientation	RB2	LB2				
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> @ 7 sites (3R & 2L & 2L)						
Total Energy	-111.113						Total Energy	-128.899					
van der Waals	97.968						van der Waals	100.406					
electrostatic	-438.131						electrostatic	-445.858					
ΔEs	-52.66						ΔEs	-70.446					
	-10.589							-8.151					
	-44.855							-52.582					
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F			Initial orientation	L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation	LB2			RB2			Final Orientation	RB2			LB2		
				RB2							LB2		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> @ 5 sites (2L & 3R)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)						
Total Energy	-89.166						Total Energy	-64.469					
van der Waals	102.459						van der Waals	106.748					
electrostatic	-419.116						electrostatic	-397.596					
ΔEs	-30.713						ΔEs	-6.016					
	-6.098							-1.809					
	-25.84							-4.32					
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F			Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	His14	
Final Orientation	RB1			LB1			Final Orientation	LB1			RB1		LS1
	CS			LB2				CS					LNH
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)						
Total Energy	-89.511						Total Energy	-102.772					
van der Waals	102.625						van der Waals	99.134					
electrostatic	-420.863						electrostatic	-425.454					
ΔEs	-31.058						ΔEs	-44.319					
	-5.932							-9.423					
	-27.587							-32.178					
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Glu22		Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Gln15	
Final Orientation	LB2	RB2			LS2		Final Orientation	RB2	LB2			RS2	
					RS2							RB2	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R) and Glu22 @ 1 site							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)						
Total Energy	-113.386						Total Energy	-100.875					
van der Waals	100.368						van der Waals	104.577					
electrostatic	-439.467						electrostatic	-428.22					
ΔEs	-54.933						ΔEs	-42.422					
	-8.189							-3.98					
	-46.191							-34.944					
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F			Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Ala21	
Final Orientation	LB2			RB2			Final Orientation	RB2			LB2		RB2
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)						
Total Energy	-92.015						Total Energy	-71.138					
van der Waals	103.244						van der Waals	104.975					
electrostatic	-408.383						electrostatic	-402.969					
ΔEs	-33.562						ΔEs	-12.685					
	-5.313							-3.582					
	-15.107							-9.693					
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Ala21		Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	His14	
Final Orientation	LB1	RB1			CS		Final Orientation	RB1	LB1			LS1	
	CS	RB1						RS1					
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> @ 7 sites (3L & 2R & 2R)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)						
Total Energy	-99.926						Total Energy	-141.52					
van der Waals	102.601						van der Waals	97.757					
electrostatic	-430.295						electrostatic	-458.762					
ΔEs	-41.473						ΔEs	-83.067					
	-5.956							-10.8					
	-37.019							-65.486					



# Gas phase results of Solapstone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> and the 1IYT conformer of Aβ

Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17
Final Orientation	RB2	LB2			RB2	Final Orientation	LB2	RB2			RB2
					RS2						RS2
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 2L & 1L)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 2R & 1R)					
Total Energy	-141.591					Total Energy	-141.608				
van der Waals	89.125					van der Waals	95.575				
electrostatic	-456.242					electrostatic	-460.869				
ΔEs	-44.35					ΔEs	-44.367				
	-14.012						-7.562				
	-32.257						-36.884				
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K		Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9
Final Orientation	RB1	LB1				Final Orientation	LB2	RB1			LB2
							LB2	CS			C=O
	CS						LB1				
	-CH2-										
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3R & 3L)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 7 sites (3L & 2R & 2R)					
Total Energy	-143.545					Total Energy	-174.374				
van der Waals	97.022					van der Waals	88.304				
electrostatic	-465.065					electrostatic	-487.173				
ΔEs	-46.304					ΔEs	-77.133				
	-6.115						-14.833				
	-41.08						-63.188				
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17
Final Orientation	LS1	RS1			RB2	Final Orientation	RS1	LS1			CS
	LS2						2				
							RB1				
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)					
Total Energy	-162.665					Total Energy	-138.639				
van der Waals	90.547					van der Waals	99.072				
electrostatic	-478.553					electrostatic	-460.098				
ΔEs	-65.424					ΔEs	-41.398				
	-12.59						-4.065				
	-54.568						-36.113				
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K		Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	
Final Orientation	LB2			RB2		Final Orientation	RB2			LB2	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)					
Total Energy	-119.625					Total Energy	-123.108				
van der Waals	101.002					van der Waals	102.049				
electrostatic	-449.446					electrostatic	-448.481				
ΔEs	-22.384					ΔEs	-25.867				
	-2.135						-1.088				
	-25.461						-24.496				
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K		Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Val12
Final Orientation	LB1			RB1		Final Orientation	CS			LB1	CS
										LNH	
	CS			RS1							
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3R & 3L)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)					
Total Energy	-152.622					Total Energy	-134.33				
van der Waals	94.052					van der Waals	95.398				
electrostatic	-472.187					electrostatic	-450.786				
ΔEs	-55.381					ΔEs	-37.089				
	-9.085						-7.739				
	-48.202						-26.801				
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K		Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	
Final Orientation	LS1			RS1		Final Orientation	RS1			LS1	
										LS1	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3R & 3L)					
Total Energy	-154.501					Total Energy	-161.525				
van der Waals	97.145					van der Waals	99.369				
electrostatic	-472.797					electrostatic	-484.591				
ΔEs	-57.26					ΔEs	-64.284				
	-5.992						-3.768				
	-48.812						-60.606				
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K		Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	
Final Orientation	LS1			RS2		Final Orientation	RS2			LS1	
										LS1	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites (2L & 2R)					
Total Energy	-143.833					Total Energy	-153.091				
van der Waals	101.725					van der Waals	96.523				
electrostatic	-472.613					electrostatic	-470.832				
ΔEs	-46.592					ΔEs	-55.85				
	-1.412						-6.614				
	-48.628						-46.847				

Initial orientation	RS1			LS2			Initial orientation	LS2			RS1				
Final Orientation	RS1 LS1 LB2			LS2	LB2		Final Orientation				RS1				
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites (2L & 2R)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)								
Total Energy	-156.797						Total Energy	-146.669							
van der Waals	89.143						van der Waals	102.184							
electrostatic	-474.829						electrostatic	-475.052							
ΔEs	-59.556						ΔEs	-49.428							
	-13.994							-0.953							
	-50.844							-51.067							
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17		
Final Orientation	LS2 RB1 LS1 LS2 RS2	RS1 RS1			RS1	RB2	Final Orientation	RS1 RS1 LS1				LB2	RB1 LB1		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3R & 3L)								
Total Energy	-168.281						Total Energy	-163.068							
van der Waals	88.104						van der Waals	96.339							
electrostatic	-482.299						electrostatic	-487.4							
ΔEs	-71.04						ΔEs	-65.827							
	-15.033							-6.798							
	-58.314							-63.415							
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17		Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	Lys16	Asp23	
Final Orientation	RS2 RS1 RS2	LS1 LS1			RB1 LB1		Final Orientation	RB2 RB2		LB2		RB2 RS2	RB2	RS2 -CH2- LS2	LB2
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)								
Total Energy	-164.573						Total Energy	-147.545							
van der Waals	90.553						van der Waals	92.242							
electrostatic	-479.415						electrostatic	-471.439							
ΔEs	-67.332						ΔEs	-50.304							
	-12.584							-10.895							
	-55.43							-47.454							
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Ala21		Initial orientation	L	V	F	F				
Final Orientation	LB2 CS LB1	RB2 RB2 CS			CS		Final Orientation	RB2 RB2	LB2 LB2						
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)								
Total Energy	-107.872						Total Energy	-119.017							
van der Waals	102.762						van der Waals	97.302							
electrostatic	-435.377						electrostatic	-441.955							
ΔEs	-10.631						ΔEs	-21.776							
	-0.375							-5.835							
	-11.392							-17.97							
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Ala21		Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	His14			
Final Orientation	LB1 CS LB1	RB1 CS			CS		Final Orientation	RB1 CS LB1	LB1 LB1			CS -CH2-			
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)								
Total Energy	-119.66						Total Energy	-123.924							
van der Waals	97.725						van der Waals	98.639							
electrostatic	-441.631						electrostatic	-447.056							
ΔEs	-22.419						ΔEs	-26.683							
	-5.412							-4.498							
	-17.646							-23.071							
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F			Initial orientation	L	V	F	F				
Final Orientation		LB2 RB2	RB2				Final Orientation		RB2 LB2	LB2 LB2					
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3R & 3L)								
Total Energy	-105.688						Total Energy	-129.067							
van der Waals	99.973						van der Waals	100.624							
electrostatic	-430.959						electrostatic	-456.136							
ΔEs	-8.447						ΔEs	-31.826							
	-3.164							-2.503							
	-6.974							-32.151							
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Gln15		Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	His14	Gln15	Lys16	
Final Orientation	LB1 LB1 CS	RB1 CS			RB1		Final Orientation	RB1 RS1 RB1	LB1 LB1 LS1 LNH			RS1 C=O	RS1 LS1	LS1	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L) and Gln15 @ 1 site								
Total Energy	-131.417						Total Energy	-200.371							
van der Waals	96.099						van der Waals	84.014							
electrostatic	-456.565						electrostatic	-504.165							
ΔEs	-34.176						ΔEs	-103.13							
	-7.038							-19.123							
	-32.58							-80.18							

Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	His13		Initial orientation	L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation	RB2			LB2		RB2	Final Orientation	LB2			RB2		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites (2L & 2R)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 2R & 1R)						
Total Energy	-118.512						Total Energy	-137.932					
van der Waals	97.496						van der Waals	99.749					
electrostatic	-441.275						electrostatic	-458.98					
ΔEs	-21.271						ΔEs	-40.691					
	-5.641							-3.388					
	-17.29							-34.995					
Initial orientation							Initial orientation						
Final Orientation							Final Orientation						
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3R & 3L)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)						
Total Energy	-134.722						Total Energy	-136.958					
van der Waals	92.936						van der Waals	88.444					
electrostatic	-452.022						electrostatic	-455.313					
ΔEs	-37.481						ΔEs	-39.717					
	-10.201							-14.693					
	-28.037							-31.328					
Initial orientation							Initial orientation						
Final Orientation							Final Orientation						
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)						
Total Energy	-133.558						Total Energy	-126.371					
van der Waals	99.75						van der Waals	98.232					
electrostatic	-460.299						electrostatic	-450.218					
ΔEs	-36.317						ΔEs	-29.13					
	-3.387							-4.905					
	-36.314							-26.233					
Initial orientation							Initial orientation						
Final Orientation							Final Orientation						
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 7 sites (3R & 2L & 2L)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3R & 3L)						
Total Energy	-139.108						Total Energy	-136.626					
van der Waals	94.479						van der Waals	90.847					
electrostatic	-461.082						electrostatic	-451.454					
ΔEs	-41.867						ΔEs	-39.385					
	-8.658							-12.29					
	-37.097							-27.469					
Initial orientation							Initial orientation						
Final Orientation							Final Orientation						
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (2R & 3L)						
Total Energy	-148.741						Total Energy	-120.919					
van der Waals	95.511						van der Waals	101.347					
electrostatic	-475.794						electrostatic	-449.503					
ΔEs	-51.5						ΔEs	-23.678					
	-7.626							-1.79					
	-51.809							-25.518					

# Gas phase results of Solapstone-Gd<sup>3+</sup> and the 1Z0Q conformer of Aβ

Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9		Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	
Final Orientation	LB2	RB2					Final Orientation	LB2				RB2	
		RB2			LB2							C=O	
					C=O								
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)						
Total Energy	-13.469						Total Energy	-13.601					
van der Waals	126.557						van der Waals	125.012					
electrostatic	-436.104						electrostatic	-429.435					
ΔEs	-26.753						ΔEs	-26.885					
	-2.012							-3.557					
	-31.325							-24.656					
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10		Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K		
Final Orientation	RB1	LB1					Final Orientation	LB1	RB1			CS	
	RS1	CS			CS			LB1	RB1			CS	
	RB1				-CH2-			CS				-CH2-	
	-CH2-							-CH-				LB1	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)						
Total Energy	-35.425						Total Energy	-43.557					
van der Waals	115.699						van der Waals	116.453					
electrostatic	-441.13						electrostatic	-451.368					
ΔEs	-48.709						ΔEs	-56.841					
	-12.87							-12.116					
	-36.351							-46.589					
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10	Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	
Final Orientation	LS1	RS1			LS1	LB1	Final Orientation	RS1	LS1			CS	
	LS1	RS1			C=O	-CH2-		RS1	LS1			LB1	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites (2R & 2L)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)						
Total Energy	-64.808						Total Energy	-62.752					
van der Waals	121.901						van der Waals	118.78					
electrostatic	-480.659						electrostatic	-475.264					
ΔEs	-78.092						ΔEs	-76.036					
	-6.668							-9.789					
	-75.88							-70.485					
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10	Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10
Final Orientation	LS1	RS2			LS1	LS1	Final Orientation	RS2	LS1			RS2	LS1
	LS1	RS2			C=O	-CH2-		RS1	LS1		RS1	RS2	LS1
		RS1						RB2				C=O	
								RS2					
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)						
Total Energy	-46.413						Total Energy	-59.7					
van der Waals	119.419						van der Waals	116.266					
electrostatic	-457.88						electrostatic	-473.408					
ΔEs	-59.697						ΔEs	-72.984					
	-9.15							-12.303					
	-53.101							-68.629					
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K			Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K		
Final Orientation	RB2			LB2			Final Orientation	LB2			RB2		
	RB2										RB2		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 4 sites (2R & 2L)						
Total Energy	-5.112						Total Energy	2.001					
van der Waals	128.211						van der Waals	123.436					
electrostatic	-427.083						electrostatic	-414.633					
ΔEs	-18.396						ΔEs	-11.283					
	-0.358							-5.133					
	-22.304							-9.854					
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K			Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K		
Final Orientation	LB1			RB1			Final Orientation	RB1			LB1		
	LS1			RB1				RS1			LB1		
	CS			RS1				RB1					
	-CH2-			2									
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)						
Total Energy	-47.759						Total Energy	-39.749					
van der Waals	121.271						van der Waals	123.227					
electrostatic	-462.808						electrostatic	-461.035					
ΔEs	-61.043						ΔEs	-53.033					
	-7.298							-5.342					
	-58.029							-56.256					
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K			Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K		
Final Orientation	LS1			SR1			Final Orientation	RS1			LS1		
	LS1			SR1				RS1			LS1		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)							Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)						
Total Energy	-39.902						Total Energy	-42.868					
van der Waals	124.088						van der Waals	127.927					
electrostatic	-455.965						electrostatic	-458.958					
ΔEs	-53.186						ΔEs	-56.152					
	-4.481							-0.642					
	-51.186							-54.179					

Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10		Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K			
Final Orientation	LS2	LS1		RS1	LB2	LS1		Final Orientation	RS1			LS2			
	LS1	-NH-		RS1	C=O	-CH2-			RS1			LS1			
		-CH2-													
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)							
Total Energy	-43.614							Total Energy	-32.737						
van der Waals	120.136							van der Waals	125.674						
electrostatic	-459.888							electrostatic	-449.807						
ΔEs	-56.898							ΔEs	-46.021						
	-8.433								-2.895						
	-55.109								-45.028						
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K				Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K			
Final Orientation	LS1			RS2				Final Orientation	RS2			LS1			
	LS1			RS1					LS1						
				-CH2-											
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)							
Total Energy	-32.379							Total Energy	-37.648						
van der Waals	123.86							van der Waals	124.363						
electrostatic	-447.177							electrostatic	-456.059						
ΔEs	-45.663							ΔEs	-50.932						
	-4.709								-4.206						
	-42.398								-51.28						
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K				Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17		
Final Orientation		RB2		LB2				Final Orientation		LB2		RB2	RB2	RS2	
		RB2								LB2		RS2	-CH2-		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)							
Total Energy	-10.22							Total Energy	-20.754						
van der Waals	125.242							van der Waals	120.767						
electrostatic	-429.447							electrostatic	-438.291						
ΔEs	-23.504							ΔEs	-34.038						
	-3.327								-7.802						
	-24.668								-33.512						
Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10			Initial orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10	
Final Orientation	RB2	LS1		RS1	LS1			Final Orientation	LB1	RS1		LS1	CS	CS	
				2	-CH2-								C=O	-CH2-	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)							
Total Energy	-62.557							Total Energy	-72.103						
van der Waals	119.035							van der Waals	121.535						
electrostatic	-474.412							electrostatic	-484.648						
ΔEs	-75.841							ΔEs	-85.387						
	-9.534								-7.034						
	-69.633								-79.869						
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Ala21			Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Ala21		
Final Orientation	LB2	RB2			RB2			Final Orientation	RB2	LB2		RB2	LB2	C=O	
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)							
Total Energy	-8.364							Total Energy	-19.887						
van der Waals	122.979							van der Waals	119.496						
electrostatic	-425.819							electrostatic	-434.914						
ΔEs	-21.648							ΔEs	-33.171						
	-5.59								-9.073						
	-21.04								-30.135						
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	His14	Ala21	Glu22	Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	His14	Lys16	Ala21
Final Orientation	LB1	RB1			RB1	CS	CS	Final Orientation	CS	LB1		LS1	RS1	CS	
		CS			RNH	LB1	-CH2-						-CH2-		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)							
Total Energy	-23.729							Total Energy	-47.102						
van der Waals	111.479							van der Waals	114.657						
electrostatic	-427.482							electrostatic	-452.594						
ΔEs	-37.013							ΔEs	-60.386						
	-17.09								-13.912						
	-22.703								-47.815						
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F				Initial orientation	L	V	F	F			
Final Orientation	RB2			LB2				Final Orientation	LB2			RB2			
	RB2														
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)								Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)							
Total Energy	10.709							Total Energy	12.822						
van der Waals	125.845							van der Waals	126.816						
electrostatic	-405.989							electrostatic	-405.075						
ΔEs	-2.575							ΔEs	-0.462						
	-2.724								-1.753						
	-1.21								-0.296						

Initial orientation	L	V	F	F		Initial orientation	L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation	RB1			LB1		Final Orientation	LB1			RB1		
				CS						RB1		
										CS		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)						
Total Energy	1.62					Total Energy	-11.024					
van der Waals	122.113					van der Waals	121.182					
electrostatic	-405.695					electrostatic	-430.89					
ΔEs	-11.664					ΔEs	-24.308					
	-6.456						-7.387					
	-0.916						-26.111					
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F		Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Gln15	
Final Orientation		LB2	RB2			Final Orientation		RB2	LB2			RB2
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 6 sites (3L & 3R)						
Total Energy	-51.289					Total Energy	-51.939					
van der Waals	124.161					van der Waals	128.101					
electrostatic	-468.293					electrostatic	-474.913					
ΔEs	-64.573					ΔEs	-65.223					
	-4.408						-0.468					
	-63.514						-70.134					
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F		Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Ala21	Val24
Final Orientation		LB2		RB2		Final Orientation	RB2	RB2		LB2	RS2	LB2
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)						
Total Energy	-16.594					Total Energy	-23.358					
van der Waals	124.503					van der Waals	117.829					
electrostatic	-435.428					electrostatic	-439.61					
ΔEs	-29.878					ΔEs	-36.642					
	-4.066						-10.74					
	-30.649						-34.831					
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F		Initial orientation	L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation	RB2		LB2			Final Orientation	LB2		RB2			
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 7 sites (3L & 2R & 2R)						
Total Energy	-7.003					Total Energy	-33.049					
van der Waals	124.71					van der Waals	122.21					
electrostatic	-424.977					electrostatic	-450.006					
ΔEs	-20.287					ΔEs	-46.333					
	-3.859						-6.359					
	-20.198						-45.227					
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16	Initial orientation	L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation	LB1		RB1	CS	LS1	Final Orientation	RB1		LB1	CS		
				-CH-	LB1							
				RB1	LNH							
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 7 sites (3L & 2R & 2R)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)						
Total Energy	-62.934					Total Energy	-3.936					
van der Waals	115.145					van der Waals	121.682					
electrostatic	-476.384					electrostatic	-415.945					
ΔEs	-76.218					ΔEs	-17.22					
	-13.424						-6.887					
	-71.605						-11.166					
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F		Initial orientation	L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation			RB2	LB2		Final Orientation			LB2	RB2		
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)						
Total Energy	9.348					Total Energy	5.17					
van der Waals	126.144					van der Waals	125.277					
electrostatic	-407.448					electrostatic	-410.119					
ΔEs	-3.936					ΔEs	-8.114					
	-2.425						-3.292					
	-2.669						-5.34					
Initial orientation	L	V	F	F		Initial orientation	L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation			RB1	RB1		Final Orientation			RB1	LB1		
				RB1						CS		
				RB2								
Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 3 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 7 sites (3L & 2R & 2R)						Gd <sup>3+</sup> chelates 2 SO <sub>3</sub> @ 5 sites (3L & 2R)						
Total Energy	-36.079					Total Energy	-29.971					
van der Waals	118.414					van der Waals	119.226					
electrostatic	-443.942					electrostatic	-442.937					
ΔEs	-49.363					ΔEs	-43.255					
	-10.155						-9.343					
	-39.163						-38.158					

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Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17		
Final Orientation	RB2	LB2			RB2			Final Orientation	LB2	RB2			LB2	RB1	
		LB2			RNH				LS2	RB2		LS1	LB1		
									RS2				LNH		
Total Energy	14.658							Total Energy	-35.275						
van der Waals	90.624							van der Waals	79.81						
electrostatic	-245.836							electrostatic	-288.134						
ΔEs	-54.683							ΔEs	-104.616						
	-5.204								-16.028						
	-54.943								-97.241						
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17		
Final Orientation	LB1	RB1			LS1			Final Orientation	RB1	LB1			RS1		
	LS1	RS1							RS1	LS1			RNH		
Total Energy	-7.541							Total Energy	-0.643						
van der Waals	87.459							van der Waals	85.713						
electrostatic	-262.09							electrostatic	-254.618						
ΔEs	-76.882							ΔEs	-69.984						
	-8.379								-10.125						
	-71.197								-63.725						
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17		
Final Orientation	LS2	RS2			LB1	LS2		Final Orientation	RS2	LS2			RS2		
	LS2	RS2			CS				RB2						
Total Energy	-2.225							Total Energy	-3.11						
van der Waals	88.489							van der Waals	88.411						
electrostatic	-256.779							electrostatic	-258.513						
ΔEs	-71.566							ΔEs	-72.451						
	-7.349								-7.427						
	-65.886								-67.62						
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Phe20	
Final Orientation	LB2	RB2			RB2			Final Orientation	RB2	LB2			LNH	RS2	LS2
	LS2				RB2				RB1				RB2		
Total Energy	-26.291							Total Energy	-44.369						
van der Waals	89.911							van der Waals	82.756						
electrostatic	-283.522							electrostatic	-301.915						
ΔEs	-95.632							ΔEs	-113.71						
	-5.927								-13.082						
	-92.629								-111.022						
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Phe20
Final Orientation	RB1	LS1			LB1	RS1	RS1	Final Orientation	LB1	RB1			RS1	RS1	RS1
	RB1	LS1			CS	C=O			LB1	LS1			RS2		
	RS2				RB1*								2		
	RS1*				CS*										
	*-CH2-				*-CH2-										
Total Energy	-66.619							Total Energy	-59.55						
van der Waals	77.328							van der Waals	82.213						
electrostatic	-315.198							electrostatic	-311.885						
ΔEs	-135.96							ΔEs	-128.891						
	-18.51								-13.625						
	-124.305								-120.992						
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	Phe20		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	Phe20	
Final Orientation	LS2	RS2			LB1	RB1		Final Orientation	RS2	LS2			RS2	LB2	LS2
	LS2				2	RS2			RS2				2	LS1	-CH2-
Total Energy	-36.571							Total Energy	-64.123						
van der Waals	80.846							van der Waals	81.842						
electrostatic	-282.505							electrostatic	-312.527						
ΔEs	-105.912							ΔEs	-133.464						
	-14.992								-13.996						
	-91.612								-121.634						
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Phe20			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	PHe20	
Final Orientation	CS	LS2			LB2			Final Orientation	LS2	CS			CS	RB1	
	2				2				RS2	RB1			LB1	CS	
					LS1					RS2			LS1		
					-CH2-										
Total Energy	-57.396							Total Energy	-50.849						
van der Waals	85.969							van der Waals	80.284						
electrostatic	-309.595							electrostatic	-302.776						
ΔEs	-126.737							ΔEs	-120.19						
	-9.869								-15.554						
	-118.702								-111.883						
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Phe20			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Phe20
Final Orientation	RS2	CS			LS2			Final Orientation	CS	RS2			RS2	LS2	RS1
	RS1				RB1				RB1				CS	RS1	RS1
					CS				CS				LS2	RB1	CS
					RB1				LS2					CS	
Total Energy	-36.365							Total Energy	-57.995						
van der Waals	85.483							van der Waals	79.286						
electrostatic	-291.551							electrostatic	-306.139						
ΔEs	-105.706							ΔEs	-127.336						
	-10.355								-16.552						
	-100.658								-115.246						

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	His6	Gly9	Tyr10	Leu17	Phe20	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	Phe20	Lys28
Final Orientation	CS			LS1						Final Orientation	LS1			CS		RB1	RS1
	RB1			LS1	RS1	RS1	LS2	LS2			LB1			LS2	LB1	RS1	
	RNH			2		C=O	LB1	-CH2-						LS1	CS		
	RS1													-CH2-			
	-CH2-																
Total Energy	-70.529									Total Energy	-44.148						
van der Waals	74.462									van der Waals	79.772						
electrostatic	-323.936									electrostatic	-298.529						
$\Delta E_s$	-139.87									$\Delta E_s$	-113.489						
	-21.376										-16.066						
	-133.043										-107.636						
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	Phe20	Lys28			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17		
Final Orientation	RS1			CS	RB1	LB1	LS2			Final Orientation	CS			RS1	RS1		
	RS2			RB1	RS2	CS					CS						
	RS1			CS							RS1						
											RS2						
Total Energy	-54.786									Total Energy	-35.809						
van der Waals	80.166									van der Waals	87.059						
electrostatic	-303.796									electrostatic	-290.215						
$\Delta E_s$	-124.127									$\Delta E_s$	-105.15						
	-15.672										-8.779						
	-112.903										-99.322						
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	Phe20				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	Phe20	Lys28
Final Orientation	CS			LB1	CS	LS1				Final Orientation	LB1			CS	RS1	RB1	RS2
	RB1			LS1	LS2						LS1			LB1	RS2	RS1	
	CS										CS			LS2			
											-CH2-						
Total Energy	-16.694									Total Energy	-67.71						
van der Waals	90.638									van der Waals	74.669						
electrostatic	-273.387									electrostatic	-311.419						
$\Delta E_s$	-86.035									$\Delta E_s$	-137.051						
	-5.2										-21.169						
	-82.494										-120.526						
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Phe20
Final Orientation	RB1			CS	RS1	CS				Final Orientation	CS			RB1	LB2	RB1	RS1
	RB1			LS1							LB1	LS1		RS1	LB2	RS1	
	RS1										LS1	-CH2-		2	LS2		
											CS						
Total Energy	-49.527									Total Energy	-62.546						
van der Waals	85.642									van der Waals	79.218						
electrostatic	-301.77									electrostatic	-313.269						
$\Delta E_s$	-118.868									$\Delta E_s$	-131.887						
	-10.196										-16.62						
	-110.877										-122.376						
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	His6	Gly9	Tyr10	Leu17	Phe20	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Phe20
Final Orientation	LB1			RS1	LS2	LS1	LS1	RS1	RS1	Final Orientation	RS1			LB1	RB2	CS	LB1
	RB1			RS1	LS2	LS1	LS1	RS1	RS1		RS2			LS2	RB2	CS	LB1
	LB1			RS2	LS1	C=O					RS1			2	LB1	LNH	LB2
	LS1				LB2						RB1			LB2		LS1	
	-CH2-													-CH2-			
Total Energy	-86.458									Total Energy	-62.135						
van der Waals	75.566									van der Waals	77.901						
electrostatic	-327.173									electrostatic	-316.209						
$\Delta E_s$	-155.799									$\Delta E_s$	-131.476						
	-20.272										-17.937						
	-136.28										-125.316						
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17					Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Phe20
Final Orientation	RB1			LS1	CS					Final Orientation	LS1			RB1	LB2	RS1	RS1
	LB1			LS2							LB1	LS1		RS1	LB2	RS1	RS1
	CS			LS1							LS1	-CH2-		RS2	LB1	LB1	
	RB1			-CH2-							LS2			2	LS1		
Total Energy	-39.046									Total Energy	-85.251						
van der Waals	87.14									van der Waals	74.781						
electrostatic	-292.786									electrostatic	-328.792						
$\Delta E_s$	-108.387									$\Delta E_s$	-154.592						
	-8.698										-21.057						
	-101.893										-137.899						
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K						Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K			
Final Orientation	RS2			LB2						Final Orientation	LB2			RS2			
	RB1			LS2							LS2			2			
	RS2			LB2													
Total Energy	-35.007									Total Energy	-23.542						
van der Waals	85.816									van der Waals	93.314						
electrostatic	-290.411									electrostatic	-283.717						
$\Delta E_s$	-104.348									$\Delta E_s$	-92.883						
	-10.022										-2.524						
	-99.518										-92.824						
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	His6	Gly9	Tyr10	Leu17	Phe20	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Phe20	
Final Orientation	LB1			RS2	LB2	LB2	LS2	CS	RS1	Final Orientation	RB1			LS2	RS1	LB2	
	LB1			RS1	LB2	C=O	LB2				LS1	RS2		2	RS2		
	LS2			RS2							RB1	-CH-		LS1	C=O		
	LB2			-CH2-							RS2			-CH2-			
Total Energy	-58.545									Total Energy	-81.424						
van der Waals	73.264									van der Waals	77.391						
electrostatic	-302.24									electrostatic	-330.032						
$\Delta E_s$	-127.886									$\Delta E_s$	-150.765						
	-22.574										-18.447						
	-111.347										-139.139						





Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Ala21	Lys28			Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Ala21	Lys28			
Final Orientation	LB1	RB1							Final Orientation	RB1	LB1							
	LS1			LS1	CS	LS2				CS			RS1	RS1	RB2		RS1	
Total Energy	-17.898								Total Energy	-16.438								
van der Waals	84.625								van der Waals	80.217								
electrostatic	-269.275								electrostatic	-265.083								
ΔEs	-67.339								ΔEs	-65.779								
	-11.253									-15.621								
	-78.382									-74.19								
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	His14	Lys16		Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His14				
Final Orientation	LB1	RB2							Final Orientation	RB2	LB2							
	LS2	RS2	RB2	LB2	LS2	RS2	LB2	LS2						LB2				
Total Energy	-29.528								Total Energy	22.727								
van der Waals	82.827								van der Waals	86.961								
electrostatic	-279.741								electrostatic	-235.178								
ΔEs	-98.969								ΔEs	-46.614								
	-13.011									-8.677								
	-88.848									-44.285								
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Glu22				Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F					
Final Orientation	RB2		LB2						Final Orientation	LB2								
Total Energy	62.194								Total Energy	55.716								
van der Waals	92.234								van der Waals	95.509								
electrostatic	-200.117								electrostatic	-205.188								
ΔEs	-7.147								ΔEs	-13.625								
	-3.604									-0.329								
	-9.224									-14.295								
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	Lys16	Lys28		Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	Lys28			
Final Orientation	LB1								Final Orientation	RB1				LB1				
	LS1			CS	LS2	LS2	RS1			RS1				CS	RS1	LS2		
				RB1	LS1	LS1	LB1			RB1				LB1		2		
Total Energy	-52.866								Total Energy	-26.326								
van der Waals	83.566								van der Waals	85.752								
electrostatic	-308.175								electrostatic	-280.005								
ΔEs	-122.207								ΔEs	-95.667								
	-12.272									-10.086								
	-117.282									-89.112								
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16	Lys28			Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16	Lys28			
Final Orientation	LB2								Final Orientation	RB2				LB1				
					RS2	LS1	LS2			RS2				LS2	RS1			
														LB1		2		
														RB1		RB1		
Total Energy	-51.46								Total Energy	-44.287								
van der Waals	84.505								van der Waals	81.673								
electrostatic	-305.46								electrostatic	-294.105								
ΔEs	-120.801								ΔEs	-113.628								
	-11.333									-14.165								
	-114.567									-103.212								
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	His14	Lys16		Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Tyr10	His13	His14	Ala21	Lys28
Final Orientation	LB1								Final Orientation	RB2	LB2							
	LS1	LB2			RB2	LS1	LS1	RS1		RB1				RS1	LS1	LB2	RB2	RB2
		LNH					-CH2			LB1					LB2		RS2	2
Total Energy	-34.515								Total Energy	-54.145								
van der Waals	75.784								van der Waals	68.047								
electrostatic	-286.116								electrostatic	-293.864								
ΔEs	-103.856								ΔEs	-123.486								
	-20.054									-27.791								
	-95.223									-102.971								
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His14				Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	Lys16	Lys28		
Final Orientation	LB2	RB2							Final Orientation	RB2	LB2							
		RS2			RB2					LB1				RB2	RS2	LS1		
														LNH				
														RS2				
Total Energy	19.905								Total Energy	-48.346								
van der Waals	89.169								van der Waals	81.514								
electrostatic	-237.685								electrostatic	-304.457								
ΔEs	-49.436								ΔEs	-117.687								
	-6.669									-14.324								
	-46.792									-113.564								
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	Lys16	Val24	Lys28	Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Gln15				
Final Orientation	LB2								Final Orientation	RB1	LB1							
					RS2	LS2	LS1	RB2		CS	CS							
Total Energy	-56.079								Total Energy	61.491								
van der Waals	77.346								van der Waals	89.798								
electrostatic	-307.997								electrostatic	-193.531								
ΔEs	-125.42								ΔEs	-7.85								
	-18.492									-6.04								
	-117.304									-2.638								

Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Glu22				Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His14	Gln15	Lys16	
Final Orientation		LB1 LS1	RB1 RS1						Final Orientation		RB2 RS2	LB1 LNH LS2		RB2	RNH RB1	LS2 LB2 -CH2-	
Total Energy	42.68								Total Energy	0.03							
van der Waals	89.222								van der Waals	84.524							
electrostatic	-216.652								electrostatic	-253.93							
ΔEs	-26.661								ΔEs	-69.311							
	-6.616									-11.314							
	-25.759									-63.037							
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F					Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F				
Final Orientation		LB2 LB2	RB1 RB1						Final Orientation		RB2 LB2	LB2 LB2					
Total Energy	46.169								Total Energy	56.345							
van der Waals	87.319								van der Waals	92.647							
electrostatic	-208.605								electrostatic	-201.862							
ΔEs	-23.172								ΔEs	-12.996							
	-8.519									-3.191							
	-17.712									-10.969							
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Gln15				Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His14	Lys28		
Final Orientation		LB2	RB2						Final Orientation	RS2	RB2			RB2	LS1		
Total Energy	39.194								Total Energy	-15.154							
van der Waals	91.989								van der Waals	83.048							
electrostatic	-217.886								electrostatic	-266.074							
ΔEs	-30.147								ΔEs	-84.495							
	-3.849									-12.79							
	-26.993									-75.181							
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Ala21	Glu22	Lys28		Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Val12	His13	Gln15	Lys16
Final Orientation		LB2			RB2 RB2 RS2	LB2	RS2	2	Final Orientation			RB1 RS1 RB1 CS -CH2-	LB1 LNH* * -CH2-	RS1	LS1	RS1	RS2
Total Energy	-9.463								Total Energy	-59.595							LB1*
van der Waals	82.769								van der Waals	68.572							LS1*
electrostatic	-258.718								electrostatic	-303.526							* -CH2- LS2
ΔEs	-78.804								ΔEs	-128.936							
	-13.069									-27.266							
	-67.825									-112.633							
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16	Val24			Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Gln15	Lys16		
Final Orientation			LB1 LS1	RB1 RS1 RB1 LNH LS1 -CH2-	LB1 CS				Final Orientation			RB1 RB2	LB2	LS2	RB2	RS2	2
Total Energy	-33.13								Total Energy	-0.123							
van der Waals	80.492								van der Waals	83.544							
electrostatic	-286.645								electrostatic	-255.682							
ΔEs	-102.471								ΔEs	-69.464							
	-15.346									-12.294							
	-95.752									-64.789							
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	Lys16			Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	Lys16		
Final Orientation	LS2	RB2	RB2	LB1	LB2	RB1	RS2	LS2	Final Orientation			RB2	LB2	LS1	LB1	RB1	
Total Energy	-48.492								Total Energy	-47.676							RNH*
van der Waals	77.575								van der Waals	78.354							LNH*
electrostatic	-294.481								electrostatic	-300.436							LS1*
ΔEs	-117.833								ΔEs	-117.017							* -CH2-
	-18.263									-17.484							
	-103.588									-109.543							
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16	Lys28			Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16			
Final Orientation		LB2			RB1	LS2	RS1	LB2	Final Orientation			RB2	LB2	LB1	LNH	LS1	-CH2-
Total Energy	-28.859								Total Energy	-14.425							
van der Waals	80.05								van der Waals	87.505							
electrostatic	-285.561								electrostatic	-270.715							
ΔEs	-98.2								ΔEs	-83.766							
	-15.788									-8.333							
	-94.668									-79.822							
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	Lys16			Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16			
Final Orientation	RS2	RB2	LB2	RS2	RS2	LS2	LNH	LB1	Final Orientation			RB2	LB2	LB1	LNH	LS1	-CH2-
Total Energy	-52.56								Total Energy	-52.56							
van der Waals	79.19								van der Waals	79.19							
electrostatic	-297.391								electrostatic	-297.391							
ΔEs	-121.901								ΔEs	-121.901							
	-16.648									-16.648							
	-106.498									-106.498							



Initial Orientatic	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Tyr10		Initial Orientatic	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12	
Final Orientatic	LS2										Final Orientatic	RS2			RS2				LB2	LS2	
	LB2											2									
Total Energy	-4.358										Total Energy	-4.967									
van der Waals	88.106										van der Waals	87.255									
electrostatic	-260.234										electrostatic	-262.454									
ΔEis	-73.699										ΔEis	-74.308									
	-7.732											4.583									
	-69.341											-71.561									
Initial Orientatic	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Gly9		Initial Orientatic	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12	
Final Orientatic	LS2			LB1					RB2		Final Orientatic	LS1			LS1				RB1		
				RS2					RB2			2			LNH				RS1	CS	
				RB1					RB2						LB1						
Total Energy	-40.908										Total Energy	-12.353									
van der Waals	77.412										van der Waals	86.291									
electrostatic	-298.22										electrostatic	-271.565									
ΔEis	-110.349										ΔEis	-81.694									
	-18.406											-9.547									
	-97.327											-80.672									
Initial Orientatic	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			Initial Orientatic	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		
Final Orientatic	RB2			RS1					LB2		Final Orientatic	LB2							RB2		
				RNH																	
				RB2																	
Total Energy	11.949										Total Energy	33.277									
van der Waals	92.656										van der Waals	95.985									
electrostatic	-250.098										electrostatic	-231.427									
ΔEis	-57.392										ΔEis	-36.004									
	-1.182											0.147									
	-59.205											-40.534									
Initial Orientatic	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			Initial Orientatic	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Lys28	
Final Orientatic	CS			RS2	RB2	RB2			LB2		Final Orientatic	RS1			RS1				LB1	LS1	
	LB1	-CH-	2						LS2			RS2							LB1	LS1	
	CS																				
	RB1																				
Total Energy	-55.192										Total Energy	-54.442									
van der Waals	79.656										van der Waals	85.477									
electrostatic	-305.543										electrostatic	-306.715									
ΔEis	-124.533										ΔEis	-123.783									
	-16.182											-10.361									
	-114.65											-115.822									
Initial Orientatic	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Lys28		Initial Orientatic	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Lys28	
Final Orientatic	LS1			LS1					RB1		Final Orientatic	LS2			LS2	LS2			RB1		
	LS2								CS	RS2		LS1			LS1				CS	RS1	
	LS1									RS1											
Total Energy	-59.236										Total Energy	-64.797									
van der Waals	82.176										van der Waals	78.013									
electrostatic	-312.374										electrostatic	-314.118									
ΔEis	-128.577										ΔEis	-134.138									
	-13.662											-17.825									
	-121.481											-123.225									
Initial Orientatic	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Gly9	Tyr10	Initial Orientatic	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val24	Lys28
Final Orientatic	LB1			LB2	RNH				RB2		Final Orientatic	LB1							LB1	LS1	LS2
	RB1			RS1	RB1				RB2	LS1									LB1	LS1	LS2
	LNH			RB1					RS1	C-O											
	LS1																				
	-CH2																				
Total Energy	-62.082										Total Energy	-31.06									
van der Waals	71.44										van der Waals	86.198									
electrostatic	-305.988										electrostatic	-287.606									
ΔEis	-131.423										ΔEis	-100.401									
	-24.398											-9.64									
	-115.095											-96.113									
Initial Orientatic	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Lys28		Initial Orientatic	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Lys28	
Final Orientatic	RB2			RS2	LS1				LB2		Final Orientatic	LB2			LS1				LB1	RS1	
	RS1								LB2	2					LNH				RB1		
	RNH														RS2						
	RB1																				
Total Energy	-55.2										Total Energy	-38.24									
van der Waals	76.561										van der Waals	83.121									
electrostatic	-310.755										electrostatic	-294.816									
ΔEis	-124.541										ΔEis	-107.581									
	-19.277											-12.717									
	-119.862											-103.923									
Initial Orientatic	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			Initial Orientatic	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val24	Lys28
Final Orientatic	LB1			LB2	RNH				RB2		Final Orientatic	RS1							LB2	LB2	
	LB1			RS1	RB1				RS1	LS1									LB2	LB2	
	LNH			RB1					C-O										LB2	LB2	
	LS1																		LB2	-CH2	
	-CH2																				
Total Energy	-62.082										Total Energy	-34.549									
van der Waals	71.44										van der Waals	85.808									
electrostatic	-305.988										electrostatic	-288.637									
ΔEis	-131.423										ΔEis	-103.89									
	-24.398											-10.03									
	-115.095											-97.964									
Initial Orientatic	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Lys28		Initial Orientatic	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Lys28	
Final Orientatic	RB2			RS2	LS1				LB2		Final Orientatic	LB2			LS1				LB1	RS1	
	RS1								LB2	2					LNH				RB1		
	RNH														RS2						
	RB1																				
Total Energy	-55.2										Total Energy	-38.24									
van der Waals	76.561										van der Waals	83.121									
electrostatic	-310.755										electrostatic	-294.816									





Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Lys28	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation	LS1			CS LS1 LB1	RB1 RS1			RB1 CS RS1 RS2		Final Orientation	LB1			CS LS1 CS	LB1 LS1				RS1	
Total Energy	-48.47									Total Energy	-50.239									
van der Waals	80.07									van der Waals	81.169									
electrostatic	-303.75									electrostatic	-300.455									
ΔEs	-117.811									ΔEs	-119.58									
	-15.768										-14.669									
	-112.857										-109.562									
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation	RS2			RS1	CS					Final Orientation	RS1			LB1 LB1 LS1 -CH2-	RB1 RS1 RB1				CS	
Total Energy	-34.195									Total Energy	-7.175									
van der Waals	86.786									van der Waals	87.066									
electrostatic	-285.656									electrostatic	-263.3									
ΔEs	-103.536									ΔEs	-76.516									
	-9.052										-8.772									
	-94.763										-72.407									
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Lys28	
Final Orientation				RS1	LB1			RS1		Final Orientation	LS1			LS1 2 LS1 -CH2-	LB1 LS1			LB1 CS	RS2 RS1	
Total Energy	3.608									Total Energy	-69.143									
van der Waals	92.176									van der Waals	78.185									
electrostatic	-254.844									electrostatic	-317.423									
ΔEs	-65.733									ΔEs	-138.484									
	-3.662										-17.653									
	-63.951										-126.53									
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Lys28	
Final Orientation	LS2			RS2	LB1			RB1		Final Orientation	LB1			LS2	RB1			RS2	RB2	
Total Energy	-52.386									Total Energy	-39.953									
van der Waals	79.773									van der Waals	82.806									
electrostatic	-297.078									electrostatic	-322.053									
ΔEs	-121.727									ΔEs	-109.294									
	-16.065										-13.032									
	-106.185										-131.16									
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Lys28	
Final Orientation	RB1 RS2	LB2 -CH2- LS2 -CH-		RB2 RS2	LB1 LS2					Final Orientation	RB2			RB1 RS2	LB2 LS2			LS2	LS1 LS2	
Total Energy	-40.782									Total Energy	-68.14									
van der Waals	81.424									van der Waals	77.03									
electrostatic	-288.41									electrostatic	-315.116									
ΔEs	-110.123									ΔEs	-137.481									
	-14.414										-18.808									
	-97.517										-124.223									
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Lys28	
Final Orientation				LS2	RB2					Final Orientation	RB2			RS2 RB1	LB2 RB1			LS2	LS1 LS2	
Total Energy	-18.752									Total Energy	-73.585									
van der Waals	87.046									van der Waals	71.756									
electrostatic	-271.267									electrostatic	-314.61									
ΔEs	-88.093									ΔEs	-142.926									
	-8.792										-24.082									
	-80.374										-123.717									
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Lys28	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Lys28	
Final Orientation				LB2 LB1 LNH LS2 -CH2-	RB2			RB1	RS1 3	Final Orientation	RB1			RB2 RS2 RB1 RNH	LB2 LB1 RB1			LB2 LS2		
Total Energy	-42.684									Total Energy	-39.588									
van der Waals	84.36									van der Waals	82.574									
electrostatic	-293.107									electrostatic	-288.247									
ΔEs	-112.025									ΔEs	-108.929									
	-11.478										-13.264									
	-102.214										-97.354									
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Lys28	
Final Orientation	RS2	RS2 -CH- RB2 LB1 -CH2-		LS2	LB1 LNH LB1	RB2 RB2				Final Orientation				LB2 LS2 LB2	LS2 LB1	RB2			LS1 LNH LB1	RS1 RB1
Total Energy	-52.335									Total Energy	-37.662									
van der Waals	74.538									van der Waals	85.084									
electrostatic	-295.775									electrostatic	-287									
ΔEs	-121.676									ΔEs	-107.003									
	-21.3										-10.754									
	-104.882										-96.107									





Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val24	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation	LS2			LS2 LB1 CS				RS2		Final Orientation	LS1			LB1 RB1				RB2		
Total Energy	-11.258									Total Energy	-26.417									
van der Waals	86.191									van der Waals	84.438									
electrostatic	-268.434									electrostatic	-277.858									
ΔEs	-80.599									ΔEs	-95.758									
	-9.647										-11.4									
	-77.541										-86.965									
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Lys28	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Gly9	
Final Orientation	RS1			RB1 RB1 RNH RS1 -CH2-				LS2 LB1 LNH		Final Orientation	LB2			RS2 LS2 -CH2- LB1	LS2			CS RS2	LB2	
Total Energy	-40.857									Total Energy	-37.886									
van der Waals	85.143									van der Waals	76.771									
electrostatic	-295.218									electrostatic	-291.851									
ΔEs	-110.198									ΔEs	-107.227									
	-10.695										-19.067									
	-104.325										-100.958									
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Gly9	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val24	Lys28
Final Orientation	RB2 RS1			RB2 LS2 2 LB1	RS1			LB1 CS	RB2	Final Orientation	LS2			LS2 LB2				RB2 RS2 RB2	RS2 RB2	
Total Energy	-56.674									Total Energy	-32.457									
van der Waals	77.541									van der Waals	83.03									
electrostatic	-305.972									electrostatic	-284.734									
ΔEs	-126.015									ΔEs	-101.798									
	-18.297										-12.808									
	-115.079										-93.841									
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Asp23	Val24	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RB2 RS2 2			RS2 LS2 RS2 -CH2-	RB2			LB2 LS2	LB2	LB2	Final Orientation	RB2			RB2 RS2 RB2 -CH2-				LB2 LS2 LB2	
Total Energy	-25.536										Total Energy	-29.571								
van der Waals	86.441										van der Waals	84.295								
electrostatic	-281.399										electrostatic	-287.401								
ΔEs	-94.877										ΔEs	-98.912								
	-9.397											-11.543								
	-90.506											-96.508								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Lys28											
Final Orientation	LB2 LS2			LB2 LNH LB1				RB2 RB1	RS1											
Total Energy	-43.448																			
van der Waals	82.689																			
electrostatic	-296.426																			
ΔEs	-112.789																			
	-13.149																			
	-105.533																			

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Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Ile31	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Ala30	Ile31	
Final Orientation	LB1 LS1 LB1	CS CS RB1			RB1	CS	LS1 LB1 CS	Final Orientation	CS RB1 CS RS2	LB1 LS1 LB1			CS LS2 LB1	RS1	RS1	
Total Energy	141.601							Total Energy	128.155							
van der Waals	113.753							van der Waals	108.913							
electrostatic	-222.828							electrostatic	-232.366							
ΔEs	-125.184							ΔEs	-138.63							
	-18.11								-22.95							
	-113.101								-122.639							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Ile31	Met35	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Ile31
Final Orientation	CS LB1 LS2 LS1 RB1	RB1 RS1			LS2 LS1	RB1 RS1	CS RB1 RS2	RS2	Final Orientation	RS1 RS2	LB1 LB1 LS1 LNH RB1			RS2 CS	RS1	RS1
Total Energy	94.318							Total Energy	113.581							
van der Waals	109.47							van der Waals	113.63							
electrostatic	-265.249							electrostatic	-249.063							
ΔEs	-172.467							ΔEs	-153.204							
	-22.393								-18.233							
	-155.522								-139.336							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Ile31	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Ile31	
Final Orientation	LS1 LNH LB1 RS1	RS1 RB2			RS1	RS1	RS2	Final Orientation	CS LB1 CS LS1	LS1			RS2 LS1	LB1		
Total Energy	88.354							Total Energy	131.421							
van der Waals	115.515							van der Waals	114.396							
electrostatic	-273.129							electrostatic	-225.763							
ΔEs	-178.431							ΔEs	-135.364							
	-16.348								-17.467							
	-163.402								-116.036							

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Ser8	Tyr10				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Ile31			
Final Orientation	LS1	CS RB1 RNH RS1			RS1	LS1				Final Orientation	RS2 LB1 LS2 LS1				LS2 RS2 RB2	CS RB1 RS1			
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	153.364 124.57 -221.332									Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	91.679 102.876 -260.357								
ΔEs	-113.421 -7.293 -111.605									ΔEs	-175.106 -28.987 -150.63								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Ala30	Ile31	Leu34		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Val12	Leu17	Ile31	
Final Orientation	CS RS2 CS RB1	CS RS2			CS RB1 RS1	LS2 LS2 LS2	LB2 LS2			Final Orientation	CS LS2 RS2 LS2 LB1				RS2 LS2 LB2 CS	RS2 LB2 C-O RB2	RS2 LS2 LS1 LB1		
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	128.272 107.93 -229.8									Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	85.313 108.596 -268.431								
ΔEs	-138.513 -23.933 -120.073									ΔEs	-181.472 -23.267 -158.704								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Met35			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Leu34		
Final Orientation	LS2 LB1 CS	LS2 LB1 CS			LS2 LS1	LS2 RS2				Final Orientation	RB1 LB1 LS2 RB1 RNH RS1				LS2 LS1 LB1 CS	LS1 RB2			
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	157.065 115.325 -205.955									Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	106.999 110.726 -255.044								
ΔEs	-109.72 -16.538 -96.228									ΔEs	-159.786 -21.137 -145.317								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Ile31				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Ile31		
Final Orientation	LB1 LB1 LS1 LNH	RB1 RB1 RS1			RB1 RNH RS1	CS				Final Orientation	RS1 LB1 LS1 CS				RB1 RS1 CS	RS1 RS1			
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	162.629 116.196 -204.363									Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	124.873 119.455 -240.452								
ΔEs	-104.156 -15.667 -94.636									ΔEs	-141.912 -12.408 -130.725								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Val12				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Ser8	Tyr10	Leu17	Ile31	
Final Orientation	LB1 LS1 LS2	RS1 RS1			RB1 RS1 RNH LB1	LS1				Final Orientation	LS1 LB1 LNH RS1				RB2 LB2 RS2	LS2 LB1 LB1 LS1			
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	125.642 115.672 -243.755									Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	133.63 113.598 -230.653								
ΔEs	-141.143 -16.191 -134.028									ΔEs	-133.155 -18.265 -120.926								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Ile31		
Final Orientation	RB1 RB1 RS1 RNH LS1	LS1 LS2			RB1 CS LB1 LS1	LS1				Final Orientation	LB1 LB1 LS2 RB1 RS2				LS2 LB2 RS2	RS1 RS2 RS2	RB2		
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	92.371 108.973 -266.004									Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	112.594 106.729 -243.017								
ΔEs	-174.514 -22.89 -156.277									ΔEs	-154.191 -25.134 -133.29								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Ile31	Met35			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Val18	Ala21	
Final Orientation	RS2 LB1 RS2	LB2 LS2			RB2 RS2	RB1 RS1 CS				Final Orientation	LS2 LB1 LS2 RNH RS2				LS1 LS2 RS2	RS2 RB2			
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	123.772 115.656 -237.171									Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	97.578 112.972 -261.451								
ΔEs	-143.013 -16.207 -127.444									ΔEs	-169.207 -18.891 -151.724								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Val12	Leu17	Ile31		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Val18	Ala21	
Final Orientation	RB1 2 LS2 RB1	LS2 LB2 LS2			RS2 LB2 LS2 RB2	RS2 CS LS2 LB2	LS2 LS1			Final Orientation	RB2 LB1 RS2 LB1 LNH RS2				RS2 LB2 RNH RS1 RB2	LB2 RS2 LB2 LB2			
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	87.586 109.614 -271.806									Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	87.818 105.741 -267.353								
ΔEs	-179.199 -22.249 -162.079									ΔEs	-178.867 -26.122 -157.626								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Phe20	Ile31		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Ile31		
Final Orientation	LB1 RB1 LS2	RB2			LB2 RS2 LB2 RNH LS2	RS2 RB1 RS1	LB2 RB1 RS1			Final Orientation	LB1 LB1 LB1 LB1 LS2				RS2 LB1 LB2 LB2	LS2 LS1			
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	82.454 107.24 -272.631									Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	90.053 111.041 -267.29								
ΔEs	-184.331 -24.623 -162.904									ΔEs	-176.732 -20.822 -157.563								





Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K							Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Phe19	Ala30				
Final Orientation	LB2			RS2	RB1						Final Orientation	RB2			LS2	LB2	RB2				
Total Energy	119.734										Total Energy	120.241									
van der Waals	121.746										van der Waals	123.502									
electrostatic	-248.885										electrostatic	-250.331									
ΔEs	-147.051										ΔEs	-146.544									
	-10.117											-8.361									
	-139.158											-140.604									

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Val12	Leu17				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Val12	Leu17	Ile31		
Final Orientation	RS2	LB2		RB2	LB1	RB2	LS2				Final Orientation	LB1	RB2		LB2	RS2	LS2	RS2	RB2		
Total Energy	89.198										Total Energy	104.356									
van der Waals	109.493										van der Waals	112.157									
electrostatic	-265.449										electrostatic	-252.406									
ΔEs	-177.587										ΔEs	-162.429									
	-22.37											-19.706									
	-155.722											-142.679									

Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Arg5	Ser8	Tyr10	His13	His14	Ile31	Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Arg5	Tyr10	His13	His14	
Final Orientation	RB2	LB2			LB2	LB1	RB1	RB2	LB1	RS2	Final Orientation	LB2	RB2			RS2	LB2	LB2	LB1	
Total Energy	115.978										Total Energy	94.296								
van der Waals	110.769										van der Waals	110.923								
electrostatic	-242.869										electrostatic	-264.344								
ΔEs	-150.807										ΔEs	-172.489								
	-21.094											-20.94								
	-133.142											-154.617								

Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Val12	His13	Lys16				Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	Lys16	Ala30		
Final Orientation	LB2		RB2	LS2	LB1	LB2	LS2				Final Orientation	RB2		LB2	CS	RS2	LS2	LB2	LB2	
Total Energy	109.477										Total Energy	120.796								
van der Waals	113.847										van der Waals	114.273								
electrostatic	-252.906										electrostatic	-237.58								
ΔEs	-157.308										ΔEs	-145.989								
	-18.016											-17.59								
	-143.179											-127.853								

Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Tyr10	His13	His14	Lys16	Ile31		Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	Ile31			
Final Orientation	RB2		LB2	RS2	LB1	RB2	LS2	RB1	RNH		Final Orientation	LB2			RB2	LNH	LS2	LB2		
Total Energy	96.209										Total Energy	179.879								
van der Waals	110.673										van der Waals	121.365								
electrostatic	-261.604										electrostatic	-186.753								
ΔEs	-170.516										ΔEs	-86.906								
	-21.19											-10.498								
	-151.877											-77.026								

Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Arg5	Ala21	Asp23				Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Arg5				
Final Orientation	RB2		LB2		RS1	RB2	LB2				Final Orientation	LB2		RB2		LS2				
Total Energy	240.003										Total Energy	245.612								
van der Waals	122.529										van der Waals	128.819								
electrostatic	-132.045										electrostatic	-132.831								
ΔEs	-26.782										ΔEs	-21.173								
	-9.334											-3.044								
	-22.318											-23.104								

Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16						Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16				
Final Orientation	LB1	RB1	LS1	RB1	LS1	2					Final Orientation	RB1	LB1	CS	LS1	RB1	LS1			
Total Energy	205.134										Total Energy	161.237								
van der Waals	125.216										van der Waals	118.675								
electrostatic	-169.977										electrostatic	-212.044								
ΔEs	-61.651										ΔEs	-105.548								
	-6.647											-13.188								
	-60.25											-102.317								

Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16						Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16				
Final Orientation	RB2		LB2	RB1	RS1	2					Final Orientation	LB1		LB1	RS2	RB1	2			
Total Energy	201.536										Total Energy	174.261								
van der Waals	125.789										van der Waals	120.488								
electrostatic	-172.429										electrostatic	-193.565								
ΔEs	-65.349										ΔEs	-82.524								
	-6.074											-11.375								
	-62.702											-83.838								

Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Val12	His13	Lys16				Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16				
Final Orientation	LB2		RB2	RB1	RS1	RB2	RS1	LS2			Final Orientation	RB1		LB2	LB2	LNH	LS1			
Total Energy	139.756										Total Energy	214.669								
van der Waals	114.317										van der Waals	127.212								
electrostatic	-222.72										electrostatic	-156.966								
ΔEs	-127.029										ΔEs	-52.116								
	-17.546											-4.651								
	-112.993											-47.239								

Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16						Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16				
Final Orientation	LB2		LB2	LB2	LS2	2					Final Orientation	RB2		RB2	RS1	2				
Total Energy	175.798										Total Energy	191.417								
van der Waals	129.1										van der Waals	127.44								
electrostatic	-198.029										electrostatic	-180.8								
ΔEs	-90.987										ΔEs	-75.368								
	-2.763											-4.423								
	-88.302											-71.073								

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Arg5	Tyr10	Ile31	Met35		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Tyr10	Ala21	Ile31	Ile32
Final Orientation	LB2	LB1			LS2	RB2			RB2	LB2	LB1	CS		Final Orientation	RS2	LB1			RS2	LB2			RS1	LB2	RS2	LS2
	LB2	LS2								LS2					LB1	LNH										
Total Energy	100.457													Total Energy	92.363											
van der Waals	106.939													van der Waals	111.464											
electrostatic	-262.125													electrostatic	-269.366											
ΔEs	-165.326													ΔEs	-174.423											
	-24.924														-20.379											
	-152.398														-159.639											
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F					Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	His6	Val12			
Final Orientation	RB1			LB1				LB1			CS		Final Orientation	RB2			LB1			LB1			LB2	RB2		
	RB1			LB1				RB1			LS1			RB2			LB1			LS1						
				LNH													RNH*									
				CH2													RS1*									
				LNH													*-CH2									
Total Energy	147.511												Total Energy	151.262												
van der Waals	114.941												van der Waals	110.167												
electrostatic	-221.293												electrostatic	-214.008												
ΔEs	-119.274												ΔEs	-115.523												
	-16.922													-21.696												
	-111.566													-104.281												
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F					Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12				
Final Orientation	LB2							RB1					Final Orientation	RB1			LB1			LB2			RS1			
	LB2												RB1			LNH			LB2							
Total Energy	168.907												Total Energy	173.478												
van der Waals	128.929												van der Waals	116.807												
electrostatic	-213.288												electrostatic	-193.952												
ΔEs	-97.878												ΔEs	-83.307												
	-2.934													-15.056												
	-103.561													-84.225												
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Glu11	Val12			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F					
Final Orientation	LS1								RB2		RB1	LB1		Final Orientation	RS1					LB2			LB1			
	LS1								RB2		CS			RS1						LB2			CS			
									CH2											LB2						
									RB1											LB2						
									CS											LB2						
Total Energy	115.6												Total Energy	160.442												
van der Waals	118.507												van der Waals	119.645												
electrostatic	-254.839												electrostatic	-201.803												
ΔEs	-151.185												ΔEs	-106.343												
	-13.356													-12.218												
	-145.112													-94.076												
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F					Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F					
Final Orientation	LS2								RB2				Final Orientation	RS2						LB2						
	LS2								RB2				RS2							LB2						
									2											LB2						
									RB1											RS2						
Total Energy	124.179												Total Energy	177.297												
van der Waals	115.307												van der Waals	124.2												
electrostatic	-234.341												electrostatic	-190.09												
ΔEs	-142.606												ΔEs	-80.488												
	-16.556													-7.663												
	-124.614													-80.363												
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F					Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	His6				
Final Orientation	LB2								RB2				Final Orientation	RB2						LB2			LB2			
	LB2								RB2				RB2							LB2						
									RS1											LNH						
									RB1											LB1						
									CS											LNH						
Total Energy	124.332												Total Energy	112.034												
van der Waals	113.258												van der Waals	114.1												
electrostatic	-236.964												electrostatic	247.527												
ΔEs	-142.453												ΔEs	-154.751												
	-18.605													-17.763												
	-127.237													357.254												
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F					Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Gly29	Ala30			
Final Orientation	LS2								RB1		Ala30	Ile31		Final Orientation	RS1							RS2	RS2	RS2	RS1	
	LS2								RB1		CS			RS1								CS	CS			
									RS2													RS1				
									CS*													CS				
									RB1*																	
									*-CH2																	
Total Energy	144.712												Total Energy	106.808												
van der Waals	108.961												van der Waals	116.914												
electrostatic	-210.574												electrostatic	-266.849												
ΔEs	-122.073												ΔEs	-159.977												
	-22.902													-14.949												
	-100.847													-157.122												
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K</																						





Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Glu22	Ile31	Ile32	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Phe4	Arg5	Ile31	Ile32	Met35
Final Orientation	CS	RB1			LS2	CS			RS1	LS2	CS	Final Orientation	CS	RB1			RS1	LB1			LS1	LS1	RS1	RS1	RS2
	LS2								-CH2-				CS	RS1								RS2			
	LS1												RS2												
Total Energy	141.487											Total Energy	124.995												
van der Waals	109.72											van der Waals	111.889												
electrostatic	-221.231											electrostatic	-234.434												
ΔEs	-121.208											ΔEs	-141.70												
	-22.143												-19.974												
	-111.504												-124.707												
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Arg5	Ile31	Ile32	Met35	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Arg5	Glu22	Ile31	
Final Orientation	LB1				LS1	RB1			RS2	LS2	LB1	LS2	Final Orientation	RB1				RS1	LB1			LS2	LS1	RS1	
	LB1								RS1					RS1								LS1	-CH2-		
														RS2											
Total Energy	116.543												Total Energy	113.29											
van der Waals	113.55												van der Waals	115.022											
electrostatic	-247.665												electrostatic	-251.507											
ΔEs	-150.242												ΔEs	-153.495											
	-18.313													-16.841											
	-137.938													-141.78											
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Arg5	Glu22	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Ala21	Glu22				
Final Orientation	RS1				LB1	CS			CS	LB1	Final Orientation	LS1				RB1				RS1	RS1	-CH2-			
	RS1											LS1													
												LB1													
Total Energy	197.194											Total Energy	222.478												
van der Waals	122.207											van der Waals	122.271												
electrostatic	-176.384											electrostatic	-146.347												
ΔEs	-69.591											ΔEs	-44.307												
	-9.656												-9.592												
	-66.657												-36.62												
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Arg5	Tyr10	Glu22	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Arg5	Tyr10	Ile31		
Final Orientation	LB2	LB1			LS2	RB2			RB2	LS2	RB2	Final Orientation	RS2	RB1			RS2	LB2			LB2	RS2	RS1		
	LS2	LB1							RS1	LS2			RS2	LB1							LS2	LB2	RS2		
	RS1	RS2											RS2									LB1	RS2		
	RS2																								
Total Energy	93.997											Total Energy	77.699												
van der Waals	106.261											van der Waals	103.791												
electrostatic	-263.289											electrostatic	-272.457												
ΔEs	-172.788											ΔEs	-189.086												
	-25.602												-28.072												
	-153.562												-162.73												
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Arg5	Tyr10	Ile31	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Arg5	Tyr10	Ile31		
Final Orientation	LB2	RB1			LS2	RB2			RB2	LS2	LB1	Final Orientation	RS2	RB1			RS2	LB2			LB2	RS2	RS1		
	LS2	RB1							RS2	LS2	LNH		RS2	LB1							LB2	RS2			
	RS2	RS2									LB2		RS2												
Total Energy	88.284											Total Energy	130.558												
van der Waals	130.558											van der Waals	-255.866												
electrostatic	-255.866											electrostatic													
ΔEs	-168.501											ΔEs	-168.501												
	-21.305												-146.139												
	-146.139																								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F							
Final Orientation	LS1				CS				RB1	Final Orientation	CS								LS1						
					RS1				LS2										LS1						
					LS1*				LB2	LS1									2						
					LNH*				CS=O	C=O															
					*-CH2-																				
Total Energy	124.222										Total Energy	161.984													
van der Waals	119.022										van der Waals	126.065													
electrostatic	-244.528										electrostatic	-214.478													
ΔEs	-142.563										ΔEs	-104.801													
	-12.841											-5.798													
	-134.801											-104.751													
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F							
Final Orientation					RB1				LB1	Final Orientation	LB1								RB1						
					RB1				LB1										CS						
					RS2				CS	RS1									2						
					RS1														LB1						
Total Energy	168.37										Total Energy	193.001													
van der Waals	122.108										van der Waals	131.687													
electrostatic	-197.595										electrostatic	-189.157													
ΔEs	-98.415										ΔEs	-73.784													
	-9.755											-0.176													
	-87.868											-79.43													
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F								
Final Orientation					RS1				LB1	Final Orientation	LS1								RB1						
					RS1				CS										CS						
					3														3						
Total Energy	196.244										Total Energy	178.179													
van der Waals	133.714										van der Waals	129.946													
electrostatic	-186.587										electrostatic	-204.79													
ΔEs	-70.541										ΔEs	-88.606													
	1.851											-1.917													
	-76.86											-95.063													
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F								
Final Orientation					RS2				LB1	Final Orientation	LS2								RB1						
					RS2				CS										LS2						
					2														LB1						
					RS1														CS						
Total Energy	182.372										Total Energy	161.637													
van der Waals	129.574										van der Waals	123.392													
electrostatic	-199.197										electrostatic	-221.574													
ΔEs	-84.413										ΔEs	-105.148													
	-2.289											-8.471													
	-89.47											-111.847													

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12
Final Orientation				RB2			LB1					Final Orientation	LS1			LB1			RB2		LS1
				RS1			CS									LNH*			RS1		C=O
				RNH			LB1									-CH2-			RB2		
Total Energy	177.444											Total Energy	122.653								
van der Waals	123.22											van der Waals	115.562								
electrostatic	-191.461											electrostatic	-245.953								
$\Delta E_s$	-89.341											$\Delta E_s$	-144.132								
	-8.643												-16.301								
	-81.734												-136.226								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12
Final Orientation				LB2			RB1					Final Orientation				RB1			LB2		RS1
				LS1			LB1								LB1						RB1
				LS2			CS								RB2						
				LNH			RB1								LS2						
Total Energy	166.004											Total Energy	148.754								
van der Waals	122.824											van der Waals	116.267								
electrostatic	-206.523											electrostatic	-213.566								
$\Delta E_s$	-100.781											$\Delta E_s$	-118.031								
	-9.039												-15.596								
	-96.796												-103.839								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	His6	Asp23		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12
Final Orientation				LS2			RB2		LB2	RB2		Final Orientation				RB2			LB2		RS2
															RS2						RS1
															RNH*						RS2
															RS2*						C=O
															RS2*						
															-CH2-						
Total Energy	164.095											Total Energy	137.992								
van der Waals	122.648											van der Waals	120.94								
electrostatic	-207.194											electrostatic	-230.69								
$\Delta E_s$	-102.69											$\Delta E_s$	-128.793								
	-9.215												-10.923								
	-97.467												-120.963								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation				LB2			RB2			LB2		Final Orientation				RB2					
				LB2											RS1						
				LS2											RNH						
															RS2*						
															RS2*						
															-CH2-						
Total Energy	164.095											Total Energy	137.992								
van der Waals	122.648											van der Waals	120.94								
electrostatic	-207.194											electrostatic	-230.69								
$\Delta E_s$	-102.69											$\Delta E_s$	-128.793								
	-9.215												-10.923								
	-97.467												-120.963								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation				LB2			RB2			LB2		Final Orientation				RB2					
				LB2											RS1						
				LS2											RNH						
															RS2*						
															RS2*						
															-CH2-						
Total Energy	164.095											Total Energy	137.992								
van der Waals	122.648											van der Waals	120.94								
electrostatic	-207.194											electrostatic	-230.69								
$\Delta E_s$	-102.69											$\Delta E_s$	-128.793								
	-9.215												-10.923								
	-97.467												-120.963								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation				LB2			RB2			LB2		Final Orientation				RB2					
				LB2											RS1						
				LS2											RNH						
															RS2*						
															RS2*						
															-CH2-						
Total Energy	164.095											Total Energy	137.992								
van der Waals	122.648											van der Waals	120.94								
electrostatic	-207.194											electrostatic	-230.69								
$\Delta E_s$	-102.69											$\Delta E_s$	-128.793								
	-9.215												-10.923								
	-97.467												-120.963								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation				LB2			RB2			LB2		Final Orientation				RB2					
				LB2											RS1						
				LS2											RNH						
															RS2*						
															RS2*						
															-CH2-						
Total Energy	164.095											Total Energy	137.992								
van der Waals	122.648											van der Waals	120.94								
electrostatic	-207.194											electrostatic	-230.69								
$\Delta E_s$	-102.69											$\Delta E_s$	-128.793								
	-9.215												-10.923								
	-97.467												-120.963								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation				LB2			RB2			LB2		Final Orientation				RB2					
				LB2											RS1						
				LS2											RNH						
															RS2*						
															RS2*						
															-CH2-						

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F						Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation	LS1			RS2				RB1						Final Orientation				LB1					RB2	RS1
				2				CS										RB1						
				LS1														LB1						
				-CH2-																				
Total Energy	162.729													Total Energy	221.528									
van der Waals	121.575													van der Waals	121.916									
electrostatic	-204.122													electrostatic	-144.274									
$\Delta E_s$	-104.056													$\Delta E_s$	-45.257									
	-10.288														-9.947									
	-94.395														-34.547									
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Lys28	Gly29	Ala30			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Gly29	
Final Orientation				RB2				LB1						Final Orientation				LB2					RB1	
				RB2				CS	LS2	LS2	LB2						LS2				LS1	RB1	RS1	
				RS2				RS2	-CH2-	C=O							LNH					CS	C=O	
				2																				
Total Energy	181.219													Total Energy	201.879									
van der Waals	117.983													van der Waals	120.153									
electrostatic	-187.109													electrostatic	-167.679									
$\Delta E_s$	-85.566													$\Delta E_s$	-64.906									
	-13.88														-11.71									
	-77.382														-57.952									
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F						Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation	LS1			RB1				LB2						Final Orientation	LB2			LS1					RB2	
				LB1				LNH										LB2					-CH2-	
				-CH2-														LNH					LNH	
Total Energy	134.689													Total Energy	201.297									
van der Waals	122.29													van der Waals	124.167									
electrostatic	-242.395													electrostatic	-164.561									
$\Delta E_s$	-132.096													$\Delta E_s$	-65.488									
	-9.573														-7.696									
	-132.668														-54.834									
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F						Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation	LB1			RS1				LB2						Final Orientation				LS1						RB2
	LS1			RB2	LS1			RB2	LS1									LB2						
	LS2			RNH														2						
				LB1*														LB2						
				LNH*														-CH2-						
				LS1*														LNH						
				*-CH2-																				
Total Energy	109.025													Total Energy	191.03									
van der Waals	107.904													van der Waals	126.745									
electrostatic	-256.692													electrostatic	-179.443									
$\Delta E_s$	-157.76													$\Delta E_s$	-75.755									
	-23.959														-5.118									
	-146.965														-69.716									
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F						Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation				RS2				LB2						Final Orientation				LB2					RB2	
				RS2														LS2						
																		2						
																		LB2						
Total Energy	188.368													Total Energy	187.913									
van der Waals	129.187													van der Waals	130.381									
electrostatic	-192.801													electrostatic	-194.418									
$\Delta E_s$	-78.417													$\Delta E_s$	-78.872									
	-2.676														-1.462									
	-83.074														-84.691									
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F						Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation				RB2				LB2						Final Orientation				RB2						
				RS2														LB2						
																		2						
Total Energy	169.882													Total Energy	169.882									
van der Waals	122.387													van der Waals	122.387									
electrostatic	-198.266													electrostatic	-198.266									
$\Delta E_s$	-96.903													$\Delta E_s$	-96.903									
	-9.476														-9.476									
	-88.539														-88.539									

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Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K									Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K								
Final Orientation	RB1	CS											Final Orientation	CS	RB1										
	RS1	RB1												LS1	RS1										
	RS2	RS2												LS2	LB1										
	-CH2-	RS1													LS1										
	RB2														-CH2-										
Total Energy	58.557												Total Energy	51.504											
van der Waals	89.502												van der Waals	89.289											
electrostatic	-251.858												electrostatic	-260.135											
$\Delta E_s$	-114.282												$\Delta E_s$	-121.335											
	-12.188													-12.401											
	-103.12													-111.397											

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K
Final Orientation	LB1	CS				Final Orientation	CS	LB1		
		LS1					LB1	LS1		
		CS					LS2			
		RB1					LS1			
							CS			
							RB1			
Total Energy	96.697					Total Energy	60.492			
van der Waals	95.478					van der Waals	90.116			
electrostatic	-220.32					electrostatic	-249.545			
$\Delta E_s$	-76.142					$\Delta E_s$	-112.347			
	-6.212						-11.574			
	-71.582						-100.807			
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K
Final Orientation	RS1	CS				Final Orientation	CS	RS1		
	RS1	RS1					LB1	RS1		
	-CH2-						LS2	RS2		
							LS1			
Total Energy	93.394					Total Energy	46.285			
van der Waals	96.09					van der Waals	92.471			
electrostatic	-226.367					electrostatic	-267.826			
$\Delta E_s$	-79.445					$\Delta E_s$	-126.554			
	-5.6						-9.219			
	-77.629						-119.088			
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K
Final Orientation	LS1	CS				Final Orientation	CS	LS1		
	LS1	LB1					CS	LS1		
	LS2	CS					2			
	LB2	LS1								
Total Energy	76.3					Total Energy	117.647			
van der Waals	91.861					van der Waals	99.895			
electrostatic	-237.156					electrostatic	-202.545			
$\Delta E_s$	-96.539					$\Delta E_s$	-55.192			
	-9.829						-1.795			
	-88.418						-53.807			
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K
Final Orientation	CS	RS2				Final Orientation	RS2	CS		
	RB1	RS2					RS2	LS2		
	RB1						CS	RB1		
	CS									
	RS1									
	RS2									
	-CH2-									
Total Energy	67.278					Total Energy	65.596			
van der Waals	93.671					van der Waals	92.098			
electrostatic	-250.015					electrostatic	-249.362			
$\Delta E_s$	-105.561					$\Delta E_s$	-107.243			
	-8.019						-9.592			
	-101.277						-100.624			
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K
Final Orientation	LS2	CS				Final Orientation	CS	LS2		
	LS2	LB1					LB1	LS2		
		LS2					LS2	LS1		
		RB1					-CH2-			
		RS2					LS1			
							CS			
							RS2			
Total Energy	49.668					Total Energy	49.632			
van der Waals	90.52					van der Waals	89.955			
electrostatic	-261.678					electrostatic	-263.924			
$\Delta E_s$	-123.171					$\Delta E_s$	-123.207			
	-11.17						-11.735			
	-112.94						-115.186			
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K
Final Orientation	RB1	LB1				Final Orientation	LB1	RB1		
	RS1	LS1					LS1	RS1		
	RB1	LNH					LNH			
	RNH	LB1					LB1			
Total Energy	96.848					Total Energy	105.56			
van der Waals	96.731					van der Waals	99.375			
electrostatic	-220.586					electrostatic	-214.764			
$\Delta E_s$	-75.991					$\Delta E_s$	-67.279			
	-4.959						-2.315			
	-71.848						-66.026			

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	
Final Orientation	LB1	RS1						Final Orientation	RS1	LB1			
	LB1	RS1								RB1			
										RS1			
Total Energy	102.181							Total Energy	85.121				
van der Waals	98.617							van der Waals	97.976				
electrostatic	-219.235							electrostatic	-234.908				
ΔEs	-70.658							ΔEs	-87.718				
	-3.073								-3.714				
	-70.497								-86.17				
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	
Final Orientation	LS1	RB1						Final Orientation	RB1	LS1			
	CS	RB1							RB1	LB1			
	-CH2-	RS1							RS1	LS1			
	LB1	RS2							CS				
		CS											
Total Energy	209.058							Total Energy	218.113				
van der Waals	78.677							van der Waals	84.208				
electrostatic	-61.878							electrostatic	-57.123				
ΔEs	36.219							ΔEs	45.274				
	-23.013								-17.482				
	86.86								91.615				
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Val12		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17
Final Orientation	LB1	RS2			LB2	LS2		Final Orientation	RS2	LB1			LS2
	LB2				LS2	-CH-				LB2			LS1
	LS2									RB1			
	CS												
	RB1												
Total Energy	208.765							Total Energy	205.855				
van der Waals	75.665							van der Waals	76.45				
electrostatic	-60.089							electrostatic	-62.094				
ΔEs	35.926							ΔEs	33.016				
	-26.025								-25.24				
	88.649								86.644				
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Val12		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17
Final Orientation	RB1	LS2			RB1	CS		Final Orientation	LS2	RB1			RS2
	LS2	LS2			RS1	C=O			LS2	RS2			
	-CH-	LS1			CS					CS			
	RS2				RS2								
Total Energy	194.27							Total Energy	214.612				
van der Waals	66.239							van der Waals	81.186				
electrostatic	-68.591							electrostatic	-58.479				
ΔEs	21.431							ΔEs	41.773				
	-35.451								-20.504				
	80.147								90.259				
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10
Final Orientation	RB2	LB1			LS1			Final Orientation	LB1	RB2			LB2
	RS1	RB1							LB2	RB2			
	RNH	LNH							RS2	RS2			
		LS1							RB1				
									LS2				
Total Energy	73.437							Total Energy	73.048				
van der Waals	89.365							van der Waals	88.647				
electrostatic	-240.78							electrostatic	-242.243				
ΔEs	-99.402							ΔEs	-99.791				
	-12.325								-13.043				
	-92.042								-93.505				
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Val12		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	
Final Orientation	LB2	RB1			LB2	LB2		Final Orientation	RB1	LB2			
	LB2	RS1	RS1			C=O			LB1	LB2			
		-CH2-							LB1	LS1			
		RB1							RS1				
		LNH							RNH				
		LNH							RB1				
									LNH				
									LS1				
									-CH2-				
									LB2				
Total Energy	56.516							Total Energy	55.957				
van der Waals	84.58							van der Waals	87.039				
electrostatic	-255.417							electrostatic	-257.496				
ΔEs	-116.323							ΔEs	-116.882				
	-17.11								-14.651				
	-106.679								-108.758				

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	
Final Orientation	LS2	RS2			RS1			Final Orientation	RS2	LS2			
	LS2	-NH-	CS						RS2	2			
		RB1							LS1				
		RS1											
		RS2											
Total Energy	46.422							Total Energy	34.012				
van der Waals	87.705							van der Waals	94.786				
electrostatic	-261.284							electrostatic	-268.751				
ΔEs	-126.417							ΔEs	-138.827				
	-13.985								-6.904				
	-112.546								-120.013				
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	
Final Orientation	LS2	RB2						Final Orientation	RB2	LS2	LB2		
		RS2							RS2				
Total Energy	82.34							Total Energy	73.028				
van der Waals	95.516							van der Waals	91.085				
electrostatic	-235.324							electrostatic	-239.595				
ΔEs	-90.499							ΔEs	-99.811				
	-6.174								-10.605				
	-86.586								-90.857				
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	
Final Orientation	LB2	RS2						Final Orientation	RB2	LB2	RS2		
	LS2	RS1							RB1	LS1	LS2	-CH2-	
	RS2	RS2							RB1	LS2	-CH2-		
		RS2							RS2				
									RS1				
Total Energy	55.26							Total Energy	31.009				
van der Waals	89.078							van der Waals	88.676				
electrostatic	-255.213							electrostatic	-278.353				
ΔEs	-117.579							ΔEs	-141.83				
	-12.612								-13.014				
	-106.475								-129.615				
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	
Final Orientation	LB2	RS2						Final Orientation	RB2	LB2	LB2		
	LS2	RS2							LS2	2			
		RS2							-CH2-				
									RB1				
									RNH				
									RB2				
Total Energy	129.247							Total Energy	45.514				
van der Waals	100.869							van der Waals	85.74				
electrostatic	-192.59							electrostatic	-262.022				
ΔEs	-43.592							ΔEs	-127.325				
	-0.821								-15.95				
	-43.852								-113.284				
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Val12	Phe19		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Val12
Final Orientation	LB2	RS2			LB2	RNH		Final Orientation	RB2	LB2	LB2		RS2
	LB2					RB1			RS2				
									2				
Total Energy	129.4							Total Energy	121.016				
van der Waals	93.808							van der Waals	94.307				
electrostatic	-186.148							electrostatic	-196.402				
ΔEs	-43.439							ΔEs	-51.823				
	-7.882								-7.383				
	-37.41								-47.664				

Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His14			Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His14			
Final Orientation	RB1	LB1			RB1			Final Orientation	LB1	RB1			LB2			
	RS1	CS			RS1				LS1	CS			LS1			
									LB1				LNH			
													LB1			
													-CH2-			
Total Energy	118.131							Total Energy	113.995							
van der Waals	92.892							van der Waals	90.721							
electrostatic	-194.04							electrostatic	-198.745							
ΔEs	-54.708							ΔEs	-58.844							
	-8.798								-10.969							
	-45.302								-50.007							
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	His14		Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Asp1	His13	His14	Lys16
Final Orientation	LB1	RB2			LS2	LS2		Final Orientation	RB1	LB2			RB2	RB2	RS1	RS1
	LB1	RB2							LB1				(NH3+)	C=O		
		RS2							RB1							
									RNH							
Total Energy	86.05							Total Energy	104.78							
van der Waals	88.259							van der Waals	80.966							
electrostatic	-210.979							electrostatic	-202.437							
ΔEs	-86.789							ΔEs	-68.059							
	-13.431								-20.724							
	-62.241								-53.699							

Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His14					Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His14				
Final Orientation	LB2	RB2			LS2					Final Orientation	RB2	LB2			RNH				
Total Energy	115.186									Total Energy	119.352								
van der Waals	93.243									van der Waals	97.056								
electrostatic	-199.81									electrostatic	-199.512								
ΔEs	-57.653									ΔEs	-53.487								
	-8.447										-4.634								
	-51.072										-50.774								
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His14					Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	His14	Gln15		
Final Orientation	LB2		RB2							Final Orientation	RB2		LB2		RS1	RS2	RS1		
															-CH2-	RS1*	-NH-		
															*NH of backbone				
Total Energy	142.266									Total Energy	90.016								
van der Waals	94.929									van der Waals	87.713								
electrostatic	-163.845									electrostatic	-224.71								
ΔEs	-30.573									ΔEs	-82.823								
	-6.761										-13.977								
	-15.107										-75.972								
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His14					Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His14				
Final Orientation	LB1			RB1						Final Orientation	RB1			LB1					
	LB1			CS							CS			LB1					
	LS1				LS1						RB1			LS2					
											RS1			LS1					
														CS					
Total Energy	116.575									Total Energy	90.413								
van der Waals	95.35									van der Waals	85.8								
electrostatic	-204.571									electrostatic	-210.786								
ΔEs	-56.264									ΔEs	-82.426								
	-6.34										-15.89								
	-55.833										-62.048								
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His14	Val24				Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His14				
Final Orientation	LB1			RB2						Final Orientation	RB2			LB1					
	LB1				LS1	RB2					RS2			LB1					
											RNH			RS2					
											RB1								
Total Energy	90.126									Total Energy	83.54								
van der Waals	87.55									van der Waals	91.234								
electrostatic	-207.677									electrostatic	-238.553								
ΔEs	-82.713									ΔEs	-89.299								
	-14.14										-10.456								
	-58.939										-89.815								
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Ala21	Val24	Gly25	Lys28		Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His14				
Final Orientation	LB2			RB1	LS2	CS	LS2	LS1		Final Orientation	RB1	RS2		LB2					
					C=O	LB1		2						LB2					
						LS2								LS2					
Total Energy	106.982									Total Energy	85.416								
van der Waals	89.116									van der Waals	90.606								
electrostatic	-205.72									electrostatic	-224.832								
ΔEs	-65.857									ΔEs	-87.423								
	-12.574										-11.084								
	-56.982										-76.094								
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His14	Val24				Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His14				
Final Orientation	LB2			RB2						Final Orientation	RB2			LB2					
	LB1				LB2	RB2					CS			LB2					
					LS1						RB1			RS2					
											RS2								
Total Energy	101.663									Total Energy	87.753								
van der Waals	89.005									van der Waals	87.539								
electrostatic	-197.487									electrostatic	-222.651								
ΔEs	-71.176									ΔEs	-85.086								
	-12.685										-14.151								
	-48.749										-73.913								
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Gln15	Glu22				Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Gln15				
Final Orientation		RB1		CS						Final Orientation		LB1		RB1					
		RB1		CS															
				LB1															
Total Energy	162.268									Total Energy	145.532								
van der Waals	94.02									van der Waals	92.425								
electrostatic	-152.466									electrostatic	-172.129								
ΔEs	-10.571									ΔEs	-27.307								
	-7.67										-9.265								
	-3.728										-23.391								





Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12
Final Orientation	RB2	LB1			LB1		CS			Final Orientation	LB2	RB1			RS1				LS1
	LNH	RB1			LB1						LB2	RB1							C-O
	-CH2-										LS1	LB1							
	RS1										LNH	RNH							
											-CH2-	LNH							
Total Energy	61.165									Total Energy	70.625								
van der Waals	86.679									van der Waals	81.856								
electrostatic	-246.655									electrostatic	-240.314								
ΔEs	-111.674									ΔEs	-102.214								
	-15.011										-19.834								
	-97.917										-91.576								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RB1	RB2	LS1		LB2					Final Orientation	LB1	RB1			RB2				RB2
	RNH	LS1									-CH-	RNH							
	RS1	-CH2-									LB1	LB1							
											LNH	LNH							
											-CH2-	LB2							
											LS1								
Total Energy	56.318									Total Energy	58.805								
van der Waals	83.38									van der Waals	83.758								
electrostatic	-257.313									electrostatic	-252.226								
ΔEs	-116.521									ΔEs	-114.034								
	-18.31										-17.932								
	-108.575										-103.488								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RNH	LB1			LB2					Final Orientation	LS2				RB2				
	-CH2-	RB1			LS1	LS1					LB1	RB2							
	RS1	LS1									LB1	RB2							
	RB2	-CH2-									LS1	RS2							
		RNH									LS2	LS2							
		RS2																	
Total Energy	45.409									Total Energy	43.815								
van der Waals	83.151									van der Waals	83.7								
electrostatic	-250.324									electrostatic	-261.414								
ΔEs	-127.43									ΔEs	-129.024								
	-18.539										-17.99								
	-101.586										-112.676								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RB2	LS1			LB2				RB2	Final Orientation	LB2	LS2			RB2				
	RS2	LS2									LS2								
											LS2								
											-CH2-								
											LB2								
Total Energy	62.73									Total Energy	65.645								
van der Waals	92.683									van der Waals	91.462								
electrostatic	-254.314									electrostatic	-248.838								
ΔEs	-110.109									ΔEs	-107.194								
	-9.007										-10.228								
	-105.576										-100.1								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RB2	LS1			LB2					Final Orientation	LB1	LS1			RB1				
	RS2	LS2									LB2	LS1							
											LS1								
											-CH2-								
											LB2								
Total Energy	84.994									Total Energy	73.304								
van der Waals	93.999									van der Waals	89.925								
electrostatic	-231.121									electrostatic	-238.298								
ΔEs	-87.845									ΔEs	-99.535								
	-7.691										-11.765								
	-82.383										-89.56								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	LS1	RS1				RB2				Final Orientation	RB2	LS2	RB1		LS2	LB1			
	LB1	2									RB2	LB1*	-CH2-		LNH	CS			
											RB1*				LB1				
											-CH2-								
											RB2								
Total Energy	79.08									Total Energy	44.197								
van der Waals	95.775									van der Waals	79.605								
electrostatic	-240.959									electrostatic	-260.716								
ΔEs	-93.759									ΔEs	-128.642								
	-5.915										-22.085								
	-92.221										-111.978								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RB1	RB1	LB2			LB2				Final Orientation	LS1				RB2				
	RS1	RNH	LS1								LB2								
	RS1	RS1	-CH2-								LS1								
Total Energy	74.05									Total Energy	94.552								
van der Waals	87.654									van der Waals	93.009								
electrostatic	-236.844									electrostatic	-221.431								
ΔEs	-98.789									ΔEs	-78.287								
	-14.036										-8.681								
	-88.106										-72.693								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RS1	RB2	LB2			LB2				Final Orientation	LS2	LS2	RS1		RB2				
	RNH	RS2									LB1	RS2	-CH2-						
	RS1										LS1								
	RB2										LS2								
Total Energy	81.336									Total Energy	28.467								
van der Waals	90.921									van der Waals	89.315								
electrostatic	-237.859									electrostatic	-282.822								
ΔEs	-91.503									ΔEs	-144.372								
	-10.769										-12.375								
	-89.121										-134.084								



Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F					Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation	RB2						LB2						Final Orientation	LB1			RS1	RB2			RB2
	RB2												RB1	LB1		-CH2-	RS1	RB2			RB2
	RS2												LB1	LB1			RS1	RS1			
													LB1	RS1							
													LS1	LNH							
													LB2								
Total Energy	126.919												Total Energy	52.733							
van der Waals	99.951												van der Waals	79.168							
electrostatic	-193.923												electrostatic	-250.912							
ΔEs	-45.92												ΔEs	-120.106							
	-1.739													-22.522							
	-45.185													-102.174							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation	LB2							RB1					Final Orientation	RS1							LB2
	LB2	LB1			RB1					LS1			Final Orientation	RS1	RB1			LB2			LB2
	LNH*	LS2								C=O			Final Orientation	RB2	RNH						
	LS1*	LNH												RS1							
	LB1*																				
	*C=O																				
Total Energy	78.806												Total Energy	75.512							
van der Waals	85.051												van der Waals	83.702							
electrostatic	-229.886												electrostatic	-236.505							
ΔEs	-94.033												ΔEs	-97.327							
	-16.639													-17.988							
	-81.148													-87.767							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Tyr10				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation	LS2							RB2					Final Orientation	LS1							RB2
	LB2	RS2			RS2					LB2			Final Orientation	LB1	LB1						
	LS2	LS2											Final Orientation	LS1	LNH						
	LS1												Final Orientation	LS2	LB2						
Total Energy	76.833												Total Energy	71.035							
van der Waals	86.242												van der Waals	87.388							
electrostatic	-230.882												electrostatic	-241.853							
ΔEs	-96.006												ΔEs	-101.804							
	-15.448													-14.302							
	-82.144													-93.115							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Tyr10	Val12			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation	RS2							LB2					Final Orientation	LB2							RB2
	LB1	LB1			LB2			LB2	CS	CS			Final Orientation	LS2	LB1			RS2			RB2
	C=O	RB1			LS2			LS2		C=O			Final Orientation	LB2	LS2						
	CS	RS2																			
	-CH-																				
	RB1																				
	RS1																				
	RS2																				
	-CH2-																				
Total Energy	33.253												Total Energy	88.918							
van der Waals	77.853												van der Waals	94.401							
electrostatic	-267.576												electrostatic	-225.639							
ΔEs	-139.586												ΔEs	-83.921							
	-23.837													-7.289							
	-118.838													-76.901							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F					Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation	RB2							LB2					Final Orientation								
	RB2	RS2						LB2													
	RS2	RNH																			
	RS2	RB1																			
Total Energy	93.758												Total Energy	van der Waals							
van der Waals	90.425												van der Waals	148.738							
electrostatic	-219.729												electrostatic								
ΔEs	-79.081												ΔEs	-172.839							
	-11.265													-101.69							
	-70.991																				
Initial Orientation		RS1						LB1					Initial Orientation	LS1							RB1
Final Orientation	RS1	RS1	CS					LB1					Final Orientation	LS1	LS2						CS
														-CH2-	LS1						
Total Energy	67.177												Total Energy	79.963							
van der Waals	93.082												van der Waals	91.367							
electrostatic	-236.645												electrostatic	-231.204							
ΔEs	-105.662												ΔEs	-92.876							
	-8.608													-10.323							
	-87.907													-82.466							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Ala21				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation		RS2						LB1					Final Orientation	LS1	RB1						LB2
		RS2	LS2					CS		CS			Final Orientation	LS1	RS1	LB2					
					RS2			LB1							RB1						
					RB1	LS2									RNH						
Total Energy	111.273												Total Energy	68.121							
van der Waals	87.794												van der Waals	91.202							
electrostatic	-198.159												electrostatic	-249.395							
ΔEs	-61.566												ΔEs	-104.718							
	-13.896													-10.488							
	-49.421													-100.657							

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation		LB2	RB1		LS1	RB1				Final Orientation	RS1	LB1	RS2*			RB2		
		LNH									RS2	RB2*						
		LS1									LS2	*.CH2-						
		-CH2-									RS2							
											-NH-							
											LNH							
											RS2							
											-CH2-							
Total Energy	83.561									Total Energy	38.376							
van der Waals	91.674									van der Waals	85.242							
electrostatic	-233.95									electrostatic	-269.744							
ΔEs	-89.278									ΔEs	-134.463							
	-10.016										-16.448							
	-85.212										-121.006							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation	RS1	RB2				LB1				Final Orientation	LB2	LS2				RB2		
	-CH2-	RNH				LB1					LS2	LS2						
											LS1							
Total Energy	100.876									Total Energy	64.935							
van der Waals	88.86									van der Waals	88.577							
electrostatic	-211.088									electrostatic	-247.344							
ΔEs	-71.963									ΔEs	-107.904							
	-12.83										-13.113							
	-62.35										-98.606							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation	RB2	RS2				LB2				Final Orientation	LS1	LS2				RB2		
	RB2	RB1									LS2							
	RS2										-CH2-							
Total Energy	99.026									Total Energy	72.003							
van der Waals	93.462									van der Waals	95.356							
electrostatic	-217.4									electrostatic	-245.075							
ΔEs	-73.813									ΔEs	-100.836							
	-8.228										-6.334							
	-68.662										-96.337							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation	RS1	RB2				LB2				Final Orientation	LS1	RS1	LB2			LB2		
		RS1									LB1	RB1						
											RB1	RS1						
											RNH							
Total Energy	87.313									Total Energy	59.375							
van der Waals	92.729									van der Waals	86.952							
electrostatic	-229.453									electrostatic	-253.898							
ΔEs	-85.526									ΔEs	-113.464							
	-7.961										-14.738							
	-80.715										-105.16							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation	LS2	LS2	RB2				RB2			Final Orientation	RB1	RB2	LB2				LB2	
		-NH-	-CH2-								RNH	RS2						
		LB2									RS2	2						
											RB2							
Total Energy	75.776									Total Energy	84.008							
van der Waals	92.442									van der Waals	93.357							
electrostatic	-244.431									electrostatic	-234.649							
ΔEs	-97.063									ΔEs	-88.831							
	-9.248										-8.333							
	-95.693										-85.911							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation	LS2	LB2					RB2			Final Orientation	RS1	RS1						LB1
		LS2									RS1							LS1
																		LB1
Total Energy	90.738									Total Energy	120.925							
van der Waals	99.005									van der Waals	96.663							
electrostatic	-230.813									electrostatic	-197.317							
ΔEs	-82.101									ΔEs	-51.914							
	-2.685										-5.027							
	-82.075										-48.579							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation		LS1						RB1		Final Orientation	RS2	RS2						LB1
		LS1			LB1			RB1			RS2							CS
																		LB1
																		LS2
Total Energy	103.22									Total Energy	110.769							
van der Waals	93.435									van der Waals	92.29							
electrostatic	-211.732									electrostatic	-206.663							
ΔEs	-69.619									ΔEs	-62.07							
	-8.255										-9.4							
	-62.994										-57.925							

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation		LS2						RB1		Final Orientation		RB2						LB1
		LS2			CS			CS				RS1			RS1			LS1
								RB1				RNH			RB1			
								RS1										
								RS2										
Total Energy	97.658									Total Energy	118.235							
van der Waals	91.722									van der Waals	93.997							
electrostatic	-215.972									electrostatic	-200.757							
ΔEs	-75.181									ΔEs	-54.604							
	-9.968										-7.693							
	-67.234										-52.019							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation		LB1						RB2		Final Orientation		LB2						RB1
		LS1			RS1			RS1			LB2			LNH				RB1
		LB1									LB2			LS1				LB1
											LS1							
Total Energy	106.354									Total Energy	100.768							
van der Waals	93.124									van der Waals	88.499							
electrostatic	-207.283									electrostatic	-212.689							
ΔEs	-66.485									ΔEs	-72.071							
	-8.566										-13.191							
	-58.545										-63.951							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation		RB1						LB2		Final Orientation		LS1						RB2
	RS1	RS1			LS1			LB2			LB1							RB2
		RNH									LNH							
		RB1									LS1							
Total Energy	88.689									Total Energy	108.582							
van der Waals	92.401									van der Waals	94.042							
electrostatic	-225.716									electrostatic	-202.537							
ΔEs	-84.15									ΔEs	-64.257							
	-9.289										-7.648							
	-76.978										-53.799							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Tyr10	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation		RS1						LB2		Final Orientation		LS2						RB2
		RS1							RB2		LB2							
		RNH							-CH2-		LS2							
Total Energy	122.783									Total Energy	134.879							
van der Waals	94.693									van der Waals	97.158							
electrostatic	-195.088									electrostatic	-184.045							
ΔEs	-50.056									ΔEs	-37.96							
	-6.997										-4.532							
	-46.35										-35.307							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation		RS2						LB2		Final Orientation		LB2						RB2
	RS1	LB1									LB2							
		RB1																
		RS1									LS2							
		RS2																
Total Energy	68.703									Total Energy	132.275							
van der Waals	90.949									van der Waals	98.64							
electrostatic	-244.829									electrostatic	-188.44							
ΔEs	-104.136									ΔEs	-40.564							
	-10.741										-3.05							
	-96.091										-39.702							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation		RB2						LB2		Final Orientation								
Total Energy	161.765									Total Energy								
van der Waals	101.325									van der Waals								
electrostatic	-159.29									electrostatic								
ΔEs	-11.074									ΔEs	-172.839							
	-0.365										-101.69							
	-10.552										148.738							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation				LB2				RB2		Final Orientation				RB2			LB2	
																		Glu11
																		RB2
																		-CH2-
Total Energy	165.398									Total Energy	163.082							
van der Waals	96.469									van der Waals	98.685							
electrostatic	-153.822									electrostatic	-156.454							
ΔEs	-7.441									ΔEs	-9.757							
	-5.221										-3.005							
	-5.084										-7.716							

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Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K						Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17				
Final Orientation	CS	RB1								Final Orientation	RS1	CS							
Total Energy	79.919									Total Energy	69.833								
van der Waals	90.169									van der Waals	88.674								
electrostatic	-227.953									electrostatic	-238.345								
ΔEs	-54.132									ΔEs	-64.218								
	-6.101										-7.596								
	-48.506										-58.898								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17					Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	His6	Tyr10			
Final Orientation	CS	RS1								Final Orientation	LS1	CS							
	CS	RS1			RB1						LS1	CS			RS1	CS			
	CS				CS											RB1			
Total Energy	64.87									Total Energy	43.494								
van der Waals	85.112									van der Waals	80.399								
electrostatic	-236.159									electrostatic	-256.129								
ΔEs	-69.181									ΔEs	-90.557								
	-11.158										-15.871								
	-56.712										-76.682								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17					Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	His6	Tyr10	Leu17		
Final Orientation	CS	LS1								Final Orientation	RS2	CS							
	RB1	LS1		RS2	CS						RS2	CS			LS2	CS	RS1		
	CS	2									RS1								
Total Energy	29.176									Total Energy	21.227								
van der Waals	82.041									van der Waals	78.56								
electrostatic	-283.223									electrostatic	-275.029								
ΔEs	-104.875									ΔEs	-112.824								
	-14.229										-17.71								
	-103.776										-95.582								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10				
Final Orientation	CS	RS2								Final Orientation	LS2	CS							
	CS	RS2			RS1	RS1					LS2	CS			CS				
					C=O						LS1								
Total Energy	71.26									Total Energy	53.846								
van der Waals	89.849									van der Waals	85.845								
electrostatic	-235.977									electrostatic	-251.601								
ΔEs	-62.791									ΔEs	-80.205								
	-6.421										-10.425								
	-56.53										-72.154								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10	Val12	Leu17		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10	Leu17		
Final Orientation	CS	LS2								Final Orientation	CS	RB2							
	RB1	LS1		RS1	LS2	LS2	RS2	LS1			RB1	RS2			RS1	RS1	RS2		
	LB1			RS2	C=O	-CH-					RS1				C=O	-CH-			
	LB1			-CH2-							CS								
	LS1																		
Total Energy	-12.899									Total Energy	52.193								
van der Waals	75.904									van der Waals	82.429								
electrostatic	-305.236									electrostatic	-247.844								
ΔEs	-146.95									ΔEs	-81.858								
	-20.366										-13.841								
	-125.789										-68.397								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10	Leu17			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Phe20				
Final Orientation	CS	LB2								Final Orientation	LB1	RB1							
	LB1	LS1			LS2	LS2	LS1				LB1	RS1			LS2	LB2			
	CS				C=O	-CH-					LS2				-CH2-	LS2			
	LS2										LS1				-CH2-				
	LS1										RB1								
	-CH2-										RS1								
											-CH2-								
Total Energy	53.912									Total Energy	-4.182								
van der Waals	83.631									van der Waals	75.97								
electrostatic	-245.373									electrostatic	-292.821								
ΔEs	-80.139									ΔEs	-138.233								
	-12.639										-20.3								
	-65.926										-113.374								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9				
Final Orientation	RB1	LB1								Final Orientation	RS1	LS1							
	RS1	LS1			CS	LS1					RB1	LS1			CS				
	CS				C=O						RNH			C=O					
	-CH2-										RS1								
	RB1																		
Total Energy	68.296									Total Energy	55.058								
van der Waals	87.177									van der Waals	87.365								
electrostatic	-235.337									electrostatic	-252.526								
ΔEs	-65.755									ΔEs	-78.993								
	-9.093										-8.905								
	-55.89										-73.079								

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10			
Final Orientation	LB1	RS1						Final Orientation	LS1	RB1						
	LS1	RS1							LS1	RS1			RS1			
	LB1								LNH	2						
	LNH								LB1							
Total Energy	57.833							Total Energy	53.479							
van der Waals	90.694							van der Waals	90.318							
electrostatic	-251.347							electrostatic	-257.083							
ΔEs	-76.218							ΔEs	-80.572							
	-5.576								-5.952							
	-71.9								-77.636							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Val12	Leu17	
Final Orientation	RB1	LS1						Final Orientation	RS2	LB1						
	RB1				CS				RB1	LB1			LS2	RS2	CS	
	RS1								RB1	LS2						
	2								RS1							
	CS								RS2							
									CS							
Total Energy	62.64							Total Energy	24.131							
van der Waals	89.396							van der Waals	80.617							
electrostatic	-245.465							electrostatic	-275.346							
ΔEs	-71.411							ΔEs	-109.92							
	-6.874								-15.653							
	-66.018								-95.899							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Val12	Leu17		
Final Orientation	LB1	RS2						Final Orientation	RB1	LS2						
	LS2	RS2			LS2				RB1	LB2			RS1	RS2	LS2	
	RB1								LS2	LS2			RS2	LB1		
									LB1				-CH2-	CS		
									RNH							
									RS2							
Total Energy	16.144							Total Energy	1.033							
van der Waals	81.2							van der Waals	76.119							
electrostatic	-291.016							electrostatic	-294.243							
ΔEs	-117.907							ΔEs	-133.018							
	-15.07								-20.151							
	-111.569								-114.796							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10	Leu17	Phe20
Final Orientation	LS2	RB1						Final Orientation	LB1	RB2						
	LB2				RS2	LB2			LB1	RB2			LS2*	RS2	RS2	LS2
	LS2	RS2							RB1	RS2			LS1*	C=O	LB2	
									RB1				*-CH2-		LS2	
									LS2							
Total Energy	62.674							Total Energy	-4.977							
van der Waals	86.64							van der Waals	68.419							
electrostatic	-241.725							electrostatic	-293.092							
ΔEs	-71.377							ΔEs	-139.028							
	-9.63								-27.851							
	-62.278								-113.645							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	Phe20		
Final Orientation	RB2	LB1						Final Orientation	RB1	LB2						
	RB1	LB1			RS1	RS1			RB1	LB2			RS1	LB2		
	-CH2-	LNH			C=O	LB1			LB1				2		RS1	
	RNH								RS1						-CH2-	
	RS1								LNH							
	RB2															
Total Energy	52.512							Total Energy	10.046							
van der Waals	83.921							van der Waals	76.225							
electrostatic	-250.131							electrostatic	-284.797							
ΔEs	-81.539							ΔEs	-124.005							
	-12.349								-20.045							
	-70.684								-105.35							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17	Phe20	
Final Orientation	LB2	RB1						Final Orientation	LS2	RS2						
	LS2	RS2			RS2	LB2			LB1	RB2			LS2	RS2	LS2	LB2
									LS2	RS2			-CH2-	RB2	LS2	
									LS1						-CH2-	
									RB1							
Total Energy	57.831							Total Energy	-10.185							
van der Waals	82.263							van der Waals	70.925							
electrostatic	-245.693							electrostatic	-295.197							
ΔEs	-76.22							ΔEs	-144.236							
	-14.007								-25.345							
	-66.246								-115.75							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	Leu17		
Final Orientation	RS2	LS2						Final Orientation	RB2	LS2						
	RS1	LS2			LB2				RS2	LS2			RS2	LS2	RS2	
	RS2								RB1				-CH2-	LB2		
Total Energy	48.454							Total Energy	42.699							
van der Waals	89.394							van der Waals	82.431							
electrostatic	-258.855							electrostatic	-256.771							
ΔEs	-85.597							ΔEs	-91.352							
	-6.876								-13.839							
	-79.408								-77.324							





Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	His6	Gly9	Val12			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Val12	
Final Orientation	CS			LS1	RS1	RB1	LS1			Final Orientation	RS2			CS	RS1	
	LB1			-CH2-							RB2			RS2	RS2	
	CS			LB2							RS2			-CH2-		
	LS1															
Total Energy	32.293									Total Energy	55.155					
van der Waals	85.296									van der Waals	85.409					
electrostatic	-272.405									electrostatic	-249.43					
ΔEs	-101.758									ΔEs	-78.896					
	-10.974										-10.861					
	-92.958										-69.983					
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Arg5	His6	Gly9	Val12		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Val12	Leu17
Final Orientation	CS			RS2	LS2	LS2	LB1	CS		Final Orientation	CS			LS2	LS1	RB2
	RB1			CS	-CH2-	LS1	CS	RS2			RB1			CS		
	RS1						C=O				CS			LS1		
	CS										RS2					
Total Energy	6.904									Total Energy	22.546					
van der Waals	78.723									van der Waals	81.632					
electrostatic	-294.446									electrostatic	-275.363					
ΔEs	-127.147									ΔEs	-111.505					
	-17.547										-14.638					
	-114.999										-95.916					
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K						Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	His6	Val12
Final Orientation	LS2			CS						Final Orientation	CS			RB2	LS2	RS2
	LS2			RB1							RB1			RS1*	LS2	RS2
				RS2							CS			RS2*	LB2	
											RS1			*-CH2-		
											RS2					
Total Energy	44.988									Total Energy	2.809					
van der Waals	93.035									van der Waals	78.983					
electrostatic	-264.15									electrostatic	-292.317					
ΔEs	-89.063									ΔEs	-131.242					
	-3.235										-17.287					
	-84.703										-112.87					
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Val12					Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Val12	
Final Orientation	RB2			CS	RS1					Final Orientation	LB2			CS	LS2	
	RB2			RB1							LS1			LB1	LS2	
	RS2			RS2							LS2			CS		
	RS1			-CH2-							LB2			LS1		
				CS										-CH2-		
Total Energy	41.649									Total Energy	43.22					
van der Waals	83.75									van der Waals	83.588					
electrostatic	-262.5									electrostatic	-258.689					
ΔEs	-92.402									ΔEs	-90.831					
	-12.52										-12.682					
	-83.053										-79.242					
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Val12					Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Phe20	
Final Orientation	LB1			LB2	LS1					Final Orientation	RB1			LB1	LB1	
	LB1			LS2							RS1			LS2		
	CS			LS1							RB1			2		
				-CH2-										CS		
														-CH2-		
														LS1		
Total Energy	51.248									Total Energy	54.912					
van der Waals	87.368									van der Waals	84.584					
electrostatic	-252.954									electrostatic	-251.043					
ΔEs	-82.803									ΔEs	-79.139					
	-8.902										-11.686					
	-73.507										-71.596					
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Val12					Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	
Final Orientation	LB1			RB1	CS					Final Orientation	LB1			RS1	LS1	
	LB1			RS1							LS2			RB2		
				RB1							LS1			RS1		
				-CH2-							LB1					
				RNH												
Total Energy	50.425									Total Energy	38.73					
van der Waals	85.324									van der Waals	86.76					
electrostatic	-249.865									electrostatic	-268.341					
ΔEs	-83.626									ΔEs	-95.321					
	-10.946										-9.51					
	-70.418										-88.894					
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Val12					Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Val12	Phe20
Final Orientation	RS1			LB1						Final Orientation	RB1			LS1		CS
	RS1			LS1							RS1			LB1		
											RS1			LS2		
														2		
														CS*		
														LS1*		
														*-CH2-		
Total Energy	55.039									Total Energy	24.879					
van der Waals	90.879									van der Waals	81.741					
electrostatic	-256.152									electrostatic	-274.183					
ΔEs	-79.012									ΔEs	-109.172					
	-5.391										-14.529					
	-76.705										-94.736					

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Phe20					Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Val12				
Final Orientation	LS1			RB1						Final Orientation	LS2			RS2	RS2				
	LNH			RS1	RS1									RS2					
	LS1													-CH2-					
Total Energy	64.891									Total Energy	27.089								
van der Waals	88.925									van der Waals	87.617								
electrostatic	-239.909									electrostatic	-276.079								
ΔEs	-69.16									ΔEs	-106.962								
	-7.345										-8.653								
	-60.462										-96.632								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Phe19	Phe20	Asp23			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	Leu17			
Final Orientation	RS2			LB1						Final Orientation	RB1			LS2					
				LB2	LB2	LB2	LB2				RB1	RS2		LS2	RS1	RS2			
				LS2							RS1			LS1	C=O				
											RS2								
											-CH2-								
											RB2								
Total Energy	47.257									Total Energy	-1.703								
van der Waals	87.375									van der Waals	78.302								
electrostatic	-262.318									electrostatic	-301.325								
ΔEs	-86.794									ΔEs	-135.754								
	-8.895										-17.968								
	-82.871										-121.878								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K						Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Val12	Leu17	Phe20		
Final Orientation	LS2			RB1						Final Orientation	LB1			RB2					
				RS2							RB1			LB2	RS1	LS1	RB2		
				RB1							LB1			RS1					
											LS1			-CH2-					
											LNH								
Total Energy	52.185									Total Energy	27.217								
van der Waals	92.676									van der Waals	77.044								
electrostatic	-256.223									electrostatic	-274.204								
ΔEs	-81.866									ΔEs	-106.834								
	-3.594										-19.226								
	-76.776										-94.757								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Phe19					Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Ser8	Gly9	Val12	Phe20	
Final Orientation	RB2			LB1						Final Orientation	RB1			LB2	RB2	RS1	RB2	LB2	
	RS1			RS1	LS1						LB1			LS1		C=O			
				RS1							LB1			-CH2-		RB2			
				-CH2-															
				LNH															
Total Energy	42.634									Total Energy	33.825								
van der Waals	86.276									van der Waals	77.079								
electrostatic	-260.555									electrostatic	-266.754								
ΔEs	-91.417									ΔEs	-100.226								
	-9.994										-19.191								
	-81.108										-87.307								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Ser8	Gly9	Val12	Phe20		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Val12				
Final Orientation	LB2			RB1						Final Orientation	LS2			RS2	RS2				
				RS1	LS1	LS1	LS1	RB2			LS2			LB2					
														RS1					
														RS2					
Total Energy	45.259									Total Energy	37.844								
van der Waals	84.771									van der Waals	88.41								
electrostatic	-264.673									electrostatic	-268.524								
ΔEs	-88.792									ΔEs	-96.207								
	-11.499										-7.86								
	-85.226										-89.077								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K						Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	Phe20	Asp23		
Final Orientation	RS2			LS2						Final Orientation	LS2			RB2	LB2	RS2	RB2		
				LS2										RS2					
														2					
Total Energy	50.319									Total Energy	56.112								
van der Waals	93.366									van der Waals	88.319								
electrostatic	-258.572									electrostatic	-249.953								
ΔEs	-83.732									ΔEs	-77.939								
	-2.904										-7.951								
	-79.125										-70.506								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	Val12	Asp23			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Phe20				
Final Orientation	RB2			LS2						Final Orientation	RS2			LB2	LB2				
	RS2			LS2	RS2	RS2	LB2				RS2			LS2	LB2				
														LB2					
Total Energy	50.179									Total Energy	52.996								
van der Waals	87.529									van der Waals	89.688								
electrostatic	-253.992									electrostatic	-252.309								
ΔEs	-83.872									ΔEs	-81.055								
	-8.741										-6.582								
	-74.545										-72.862								

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Val12	Phe19	Phe20			
Final Orientation	LB2			RS2		Final Orientation	LB2			RB2						
	LS2			RS2			LS1			RS2	LS2	RB2	RS2			
	LB2						LS2				LB2					
							LB2									
Total Energy	38.652					Total Energy	36.741									
van der Waals	89.765					van der Waals	81.336									
electrostatic	-273.567					electrostatic	-260.261									
ΔEs	-95.399					ΔEs	-97.31									
	-6.505						-14.934									
	-94.12						-80.814									
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10				
Final Orientation	RB2			LB2		Final Orientation	RB1	LB2		RB2						
	RS2			LS1	RB2					RS2	LB1	LS1				
	RNH			LS2							LNH*	-CH-				
	LS2										LS1*					
											*-C=O					
Total Energy	22.304					Total Energy	21.104									
van der Waals	82.649					van der Waals	82.649									
electrostatic	-279.982					electrostatic	-280.512									
ΔEs	-111.747					ΔEs	-112.947									
	-13.621						-13.621									
	-100.535						-101.065									
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Phe20											
Final Orientation	RB1	RB2		LB2	LB2											
	RB1			LS2												
	LB1			LS2												
				-CH2-												
Total Energy	32.459															
van der Waals	85.255															
electrostatic	-270.934															
ΔEs	-101.592															
	-11.015															
	-91.487															
Initial Orientation	RB1	LB1				Initial Orientation	LB1	RB1								
Final Orientation	RNH			RS1	RB1	Final Orientation	LS2				LS2					
					RS1		LB1									
							CS									
Total Energy	53.292					Total Energy	58.901									
van der Waals	86.839					van der Waals	84.746									
electrostatic	-250.126					electrostatic	-244.344									
ΔEs	-80.759					ΔEs	-75.15									
	-9.431						-11.524									
	-70.679						-64.897									
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F						
Final Orientation	LB2	RB2				Final Orientation	RB2	LB2								
Total Energy	125.239					Total Energy	128.191									
van der Waals	95.226					van der Waals	96.221									
electrostatic	-187.076					electrostatic	-185.226									
ΔEs	-8.812					ΔEs	-5.86									
	-1.044						-0.049									
	-7.629						-5.779									
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His14					
Final Orientation	RB2		LB2			Final Orientation	LB2		RB2		LB2					
											-CH-					
Total Energy	118.778					Total Energy	118.59									
van der Waals	87.812					van der Waals	89.987									
electrostatic	-188.442					electrostatic	-190.482									
ΔEs	-15.273					ΔEs	-15.461									
	-8.458						-6.283									
	-8.995						-11.035									
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	Lys16	Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Val12	His13	His14	Lys16	
Final Orientation	LB1			RB1	LB1	CS	Final Orientation	RB1			LB1	LS1	LB1	RS1	LS2*	
	LB1			RB1	CS	-CH2-		CS		LS2		LS1	LNH	LS1*		
				LS1									LNH	LS1*	*-CH2-	
													RB1			
													RS1			
													-CH2-			
Total Energy	75.191						Total Energy	1.575								
van der Waals	83.098						van der Waals	74.935								
electrostatic	-222.942						electrostatic	-287.032								
ΔEs	-58.86						ΔEs	-132.476								
	-13.172							-21.335								
	-43.495							-107.585								

Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	Lys16		Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Val12	His13	Lys16
Final Orientation	LB1			RB2	RS2	RS1		Final Orientation	RB2			LB1	LS2	LS2	LS1
	RS1				RS1	-CH2-			RS2			CS			LB1
	RNH				RNH				RNH			LB1			LNH
	RB1								RB1						
	LB1														
Total Energy	41.024							Total Energy	29.676						
van der Waals	82.062							van der Waals	77.512						
electrostatic	-261.466							electrostatic	-267.83						
$\Delta$ Es	-93.027							$\Delta$ Es	-104.375						
	-14.208								-18.758						
	-82.019								-88.383						
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	His14	Lys16	Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Val12	His13	Lys16
Final Orientation	RB1			LB2	LB1	RS2	LS2	Final Orientation	LB2			RB1	RS2	RS2	RS1
	RS2			LS2	LS1		-CH2-		CS				RS2	RS2	RS2
	RB1			LB2	CS				LB1					RB1	RS2
					LS2				LS2						-CH2-
Total Energy	12.498							Total Energy	11.655						
van der Waals	73.702							van der Waals	76.704						
electrostatic	-282.131							electrostatic	-285.944						
$\Delta$ Es	-121.553							$\Delta$ Es	-122.396						
	-22.568								-19.566						
	-102.684								-106.497						
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His13			Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	Leu34	
Final Orientation	RB2			LB2	RS2			Final Orientation	LB2			RB2	LS1	RS2	
	RS2														
Total Energy	88.702							Total Energy	98.232						
van der Waals	91.856							van der Waals	90.396						
electrostatic	-222.142							electrostatic	-212.502						
$\Delta$ Es	-45.349							$\Delta$ Es	-35.819						
	-4.414								-5.874						
	-42.695								-33.055						
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F				Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Gln15		
Final Orientation		LB1	RB1	RS2				Final Orientation	RB1	LB1	LS1		CS		
Total Energy	124.754							Total Energy	124.147						
van der Waals	91.78							van der Waals	90.158						
electrostatic	-185.84							electrostatic	-185.17						
$\Delta$ Es	-9.297							$\Delta$ Es	-9.904						
	-4.40								-6.112						
	-6.393								-5.723						
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F				Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F			
Final Orientation		RB2	LB2					Final Orientation		LB2	RB2				
Total Energy	128.667							Total Energy	126.202						
van der Waals	95.046							van der Waals	94.501						
electrostatic	-183.495							electrostatic	-186.161						
$\Delta$ Es	-5.384							$\Delta$ Es	-7.849						
	-1.224								-1.769						
	-4.048								-6.714						
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Val24			Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Val24	Lys28	Met35
Final Orientation		LB2		RB2	RB2			Final Orientation		RB2		LB2	LB2	LS1	LS1
Total Energy	105.84							Total Energy	80.593						
van der Waals	90.737							van der Waals	86.676						
electrostatic	-204.134							electrostatic	-226.071						
$\Delta$ Es	-28.211							$\Delta$ Es	-53.458						
	-5.533								-9.594						
	-24.687								-46.624						
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16	Ala30		Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His13	Lys16	Asp23
Final Orientation			RB1	LB1	RS1	LB2		Final Orientation			LB1	RB1	RS1	LB1	CS
			RNH		2	LS1					LS2	CS	LS1		
			RS1		RB1						LS1	RB1	LB1	LNH	
											LB1	RS2		RB1	
														RS1	
														-CH2-	
Total Energy	78.207							Total Energy	37.833						
van der Waals	86.398							van der Waals	75.397						
electrostatic	-225.705							electrostatic	-261.177						
$\Delta$ Es	-55.844							$\Delta$ Es	-96.218						
	-9.872								-20.873						
	-46.258								-81.73						
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F				Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F			
Final Orientation			LB2	RB2				Final Orientation			RB2	LB2			
Total Energy	117.344							Total Energy	130.336						
van der Waals	95.06							van der Waals	96.283						
electrostatic	-194.279							electrostatic	-183.672						
$\Delta$ Es	-16.707							$\Delta$ Es	-3.715						
	-1.21								0.013						
	-14.832								-4.225						



Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Ala21
Final Orientation	LS2 LB1 RS2 RS1 -CH2- LS2			LS2 -CH2- RB1 RB2		RB2		LB2			Initial Orientation	RS2 RB2 RS2				RB1 LB2				LS2 LB2
Total Energy	16.516										Total Energy	77.355								
van der Waals	73.67										van der Waals	83.779								
electrostatic	-274.942										electrostatic	-228.792								
ΔEs	-117.535										ΔEs	-56.696								
	-22.6											-12.491								
	-95.495											-49.345								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RB2					LB2					Initial Orientation	LB2 LS2 LB2					RB2			
Total Energy	119.99										Total Energy	72.544								
van der Waals	91.978										van der Waals	90.09								
electrostatic	-189.873										electrostatic	-235.001								
ΔEs	-14.061										ΔEs	-61.507								
	-4.292											-6.18								
	-10.426											-55.554								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	LS2 LS1 LB2 LS2			RS2			RB2 RB2	RS2	LB2 LS2		Initial Orientation	RS2 RB2 RS2			LS2				LB2 LB2	
Total Energy	37.047										Total Energy	45.847								
van der Waals	81.637										van der Waals	90.248								
electrostatic	-259.676										electrostatic	-263.351								
ΔEs	-97.004										ΔEs	-88.204								
	-14.633											-6.022								
	-80.229											-83.904								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12
Final Orientation	RB2 LB1 RS2			LB1 LS2 2 CS RS2 -CH2-			LB2 LB2 LS2	CS			Initial Orientation	LB2 LB2 LS2			LS1 LS2 -CH2-			RB2 RB2		LS2
Total Energy	28.883										Total Energy	40.571								
van der Waals	81.001										van der Waals	85.58								
electrostatic	-271.1										electrostatic	-266.728								
ΔEs	-105.168										ΔEs	-93.48								
	-15.269											-10.69								
	-91.653											-87.281								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	CS RB1 CS RS1			RS2 RS1 -CH2-	RS1		RB2 RS1 RB2				Initial Orientation	CS LB1 CS LS2			LS1 LS2 -CH2-	LS2			LB2 LB2	
Total Energy	43.322										Total Energy	45.795								
van der Waals	80.036										van der Waals	83.012								
electrostatic	-257.37										electrostatic	-259.482								
ΔEs	-90.729										ΔEs	-88.256								
	-16.234											-13.258								
	-77.923											-80.035								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12
Final Orientation	RS1 RS2			RB1 RS1 -CH2-			LB1 LS1 LB1 CS	RS1			Initial Orientation	LS1 LS1			CS LS2 -CH2- LB1				RB1 CS RS1 LS1	
Total Energy	50.923										Total Energy	50.248								
van der Waals	82.805										van der Waals	83.073								
electrostatic	-253.044										electrostatic	-250.771								
ΔEs	-83.128										ΔEs	-83.803								
	-13.465											-13.197								
	-73.597											-71.324								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Asp23		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	LS2			RS2			RB2 CS RB1 RS2	RS2			Initial Orientation	LB1 LS1 -CH2- LB1 RNH RS1			RB2 RNH -CH2- LB1	LS1			RB2 RB2	
Total Energy	72.224										Total Energy	17.699								
van der Waals	87.336										van der Waals	76.58								
electrostatic	-233.883										electrostatic	-277.275								
ΔEs	-61.827										ΔEs	-116.352								
	-8.934											-19.69								
	-54.436											-97.828								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12
Final Orientation	RB2 RS1 RNH RB1			LB1 LNH LS2 -CH2-	RS1		LB1 CS				Initial Orientation	LB2 LB2			LB1 LNH* LS1* *-CH2-				RB1 RB1 LS1	
Total Energy	35.054										Total Energy	61.416								
van der Waals	81.703										van der Waals	84.25								
electrostatic	-266.864										electrostatic	-243.192								
ΔEs	-98.997										ΔEs	-72.635								
	-14.567											-12.02								
	-87.417											-63.745								

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Gly9	Val12		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RB1							LB2	RS1	RNH		Final Orientation	LS1			RB2					RB2
	RNH									RS1	RB2		RS1		RNH						
Total Energy	59.5											Total Energy	48.456								
van der Waals	85.837											van der Waals	89.351								
electrostatic	-246.252											electrostatic	-255.801								
ΔEs	-74.551											ΔEs	-85.595								
	-10.433												-6.919								
	-66.805												-76.354								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12	Leu34		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12
Final Orientation	RS1							LB2	RB2	LS1		Final Orientation	LS2			RS2				RB2	LB2
	RNH												LB2							RB2	RS2
	RS1																				
Total Energy	59.9											Total Energy	70.777								
van der Waals	85.314											van der Waals	87.763								
electrostatic	-244.907											electrostatic	-240.671								
ΔEs	-74.151											ΔEs	-63.274								
	-10.956												-8.507								
	-65.46												-61.224								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RS2			LS1				LB2				Final Orientation	RB2			RS2	RS2				LB2
				-CH2-									RS2								
				LS2									RB2								
Total Energy	40.148											Total Energy	53.454								
van der Waals	89.025											van der Waals	89.181								
electrostatic	-264.186											electrostatic	-254.633								
ΔEs	-93.903											ΔEs	-80.597								
	-7.245												-7.089								
	-84.739												-75.186								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	LB2			LS1*	LB2			RB2				Final Orientation	LS2			RS2	RS2				LB2
	LS2			LB2*				LB2					LS2								
	LS1			*-CH2-																	
	LB2																				
Total Energy	52.391											Total Energy	53.454								
van der Waals	83.546											van der Waals	89.181								
electrostatic	-251.279											electrostatic	-254.633								
ΔEs	-81.66											ΔEs	-80.597								
	-12.724												-7.089								
	-71.832												-75.186								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Tyr10			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Gly9
Final Orientation	RS1	CS			RB1							Final Orientation	RS1	CS			LB1				RS1
		CS			RS1					CS							LS1				C=O
		RB1																			
		LB1																			
Total Energy	77.259											Total Energy	65.282								
van der Waals	85.844											van der Waals	86.499								
electrostatic	-226.598											electrostatic	-239.921								
ΔEs	-56.792											ΔEs	-68.769								
	-10.426												-9.771								
	-47.151												-60.474								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Tyr10
Final Orientation	CS	LS1			RB1							Final Orientation	RS1	CS			LB1				RS1
		LS1			RB1												CS				
Total Energy	90.871											Total Energy	93.142								
van der Waals	89.245											van der Waals	90.004								
electrostatic	-215.035											electrostatic	-213.537								
ΔEs	-43.18											ΔEs	-40.909								
	-7.025												-6.266								
	-35.588												-34.09								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Ala21			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Gly9
Final Orientation	CS	RS2			LB1							Final Orientation	RB1	LS2			RB1				Tyr10
		RS2			RS2					LS2	LB2			LS1		RS2	CS				LS2
		-CH2-												LS2			LS1				C=O
																					C=O
Total Energy	46.934											Total Energy	-3.793								
van der Waals	78.427											van der Waals	77.299								
electrostatic	-249.746											electrostatic	-298.029								
ΔEs	-87.117											ΔEs	-137.844								
	-17.843												-18.971								
	-70.299												-118.582								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Tyr10			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Tyr10
Final Orientation	RB2	RB2			LB1							Final Orientation	RS1	LB1			RB2				LS1
					LB1									LB2			RNH				
														C=O			RB2				
														LS1							
														LNH							
														LB1							
Total Energy	100.22											Total Energy	71.514								
van der Waals	89.63											van der Waals	83.954								
electrostatic	-206.262											electrostatic	-236.534								
ΔEs	-33.831											ΔEs	-62.537								
	-6.64												-12.316								
	-26.815												-57.087								







Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12
Final Orientation	RB1			RB1 RB2 RS1* RNH* ~CH2-	LB1 LS1				RS1	Final Orientation	RB1			LB1 RNH LB1 LNH	RB1 RS1			CS	LS1
Total Energy	56.963									Total Energy	37.019								
van der Waals	84.211									van der Waals	82.135								
electrostatic	-246.525									electrostatic	-272.413								
ΔEs	-77.088									ΔEs	-97.032								
	-12.059										-14.135								
	-67.078										-92.966								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	CS			RS1 RB1 ~CH2-	LB1					Final Orientation	LB1			LS1 LB1	RS1				
Total Energy	71.655									Total Energy	38.815								
van der Waals	87.512									van der Waals	84.757								
electrostatic	-233.177									electrostatic	-271.108								
ΔEs	-62.396									ΔEs	-95.236								
	-8.758										-11.513								
	-53.73										-91.661								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RB1	LS2		RS2 RS1	LB1 CS					Final Orientation	RS2			LB1 LS2 LNH RS2 ~CH2-	RB2 RS2			RB1	
Total Energy	7.462									Total Energy	23.709								
van der Waals	81.0									van der Waals	78.428								
electrostatic	-289.927									electrostatic	-274.36								
ΔEs	-126.589									ΔEs	-110.342								
	-14.37										-17.842								
	-110.48										-94.913								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12
Final Orientation	RB1			RB2 RNH RS1	LB1 LB1			CS RB1 RB2		Final Orientation	LB2			RB1 RS2 LS2 ~CH2-	LB2 LB2 LS2			RS2 LS1	RB1
Total Energy	42.173									Total Energy	8.517								
van der Waals	77.288									van der Waals	76.027								
electrostatic	-257.001									electrostatic	-280.887								
ΔEs	-91.878									ΔEs	-125.534								
	-18.982										-20.243								
	-77.554										-101.44								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Asp23
Final Orientation	LB1			LB2 RB1 LS2 ~CH2-	RB1 RS2 RB1	RB2		LB2		Final Orientation	RS2			LB2 LS2 LB2	RB2 RS2			LB2 RB2	LB2
Total Energy	50.974									Total Energy	38.409								
van der Waals	78.384									van der Waals	80.003								
electrostatic	-246.862									electrostatic	-260.684								
ΔEs	-83.077									ΔEs	-95.642								
	-17.886										-16.267								
	-67.415										-81.237								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12
Final Orientation	LB2			RS2 RB1 RS1 RS2* LS2* ~CH2-	LB2 LS2 LB2			LB1 RS2		Final Orientation	LB1			RB2 RS1 RS2 LNH LB2 ~CH2-	LB2 LB2				RB2 RS2
Total Energy	16.126									Total Energy	22.004								
van der Waals	76.822									van der Waals	82.303								
electrostatic	-280.832									electrostatic	-277.767								
ΔEs	-117.925									ΔEs	-112.047								
	-19.448										-13.967								
	-101.385										-98.32								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RS2			LB2 LB1 LNH LS2 ~CH2-	RB2 RS2			CS LB1	LS2	Final Orientation	LS2 LB2			RB2 RS2 RB2	LB2			RB2 RB1 LB1	
Total Energy	33.563									Total Energy	69.53								
van der Waals	85.354									van der Waals	83.006								
electrostatic	-271.632									electrostatic	-233.739								
ΔEs	-100.488									ΔEs	-64.521								
	-10.916										-13.264								
	-92.185										-54.292								

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation			RB1	LB2 LB1 CS -CH2- LNH		RB2	LB1 CS RB1		LS1	Final Orientation	LS1			CS LB1* LNH* *-CH2- RB1			RB1 RS1		LB2
Total Energy	65.753									Total Energy	42.235								
van der Waals	80.162									van der Waals	82.418								
electrostatic	-237.979									electrostatic	-260.461								
ΔEs	-68.298 -16.108 -58.532									ΔEs	-91.816 -13.852 -81.014								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12
Final Orientation				CS RB1 RS2 CS RS1 -CH2-			LB1 LS1 CS		RS1	Final Orientation	RS1 RS2 RB2			RB1 LB1 RS2 -CH2-			LB1 LS1		RS1
Total Energy	55.47									Total Energy	13.807								
van der Waals	85.598									van der Waals	81.129								
electrostatic	-251.039									electrostatic	-285.249								
ΔEs	-78.581 -10.672 -71.592									ΔEs	-120.244 -15.141 -105.802								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Asp23
Final Orientation	LS1			LB1 LB1 LNH LS1 -CH2-			RB1 RS1 LB2			Final Orientation				RS1 RB1 RNH RS1 -CH2-			LB1 LB1 CS RB1		CS
Total Energy	50.137									Total Energy	79.257								
van der Waals	86.258									van der Waals	89.235								
electrostatic	-255.901									electrostatic	-228.17								
ΔEs	-83.914 -10.012 -76.454									ΔEs	-54.794 -7.035 -48.723								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation				LS1 LB1 LNH			RB1 RB1 CS LB1			Final Orientation				RS2 RB1 RNH RS2 -CH2-			LB1 LB1 RB1		
Total Energy	86.843									Total Energy	67.171								
van der Waals	90.184									van der Waals	85.633								
electrostatic	-223.7									electrostatic	-233.86								
ΔEs	-47.208 -6.086 -44.253									ΔEs	-66.88 -10.637 -54.413								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	LS1 LS2 LB2		RB2	LS2 LB1 CS RB1 LS1 -CH2-			RB1 RS2 LS2		LS2	Final Orientation	LS1		RS1	LB1 LB1 RS1* RNH LNH* LS1* *-CH2-			RB2 RB2 RS1 -CH2- RNH RNH RB1		LB2
Total Energy	25.861									Total Energy	16.924								
van der Waals	80.154									van der Waals	73.618								
electrostatic	-273.351									electrostatic	-279.528								
ΔEs	-108.19 -16.116 -93.904									ΔEs	-117.127 -22.652 -100.081								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RB2 RS2		LB2	RB2 RB1 LB1 RS2 -CH2-			LB1 LB1 LNH LS1 LB2		RS2	Final Orientation	RS2			RB1 LB1 LS2 2 RS2 -CH2-			LB2 LB2 LS2		RB2
Total Energy	23.031									Total Energy	24.056								
van der Waals	75.841									van der Waals	81.324								
electrostatic	-269.362									electrostatic	-275.906								
ΔEs	-111.02 -20.429 -89.915									ΔEs	-109.995 -14.946 -96.459								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	LB2 LS2		RB2	LB2 LB1 LS2 -CH2-			RB1 RS2 CS			Final Orientation				LS2			RB2 RS2 RB2		
Total Energy	52.479									Total Energy	65.608								
van der Waals	82.673									van der Waals	85.755								
electrostatic	-252.529									electrostatic	-234.425								
ΔEs	-81.572 -13.597 -73.082									ΔEs	-68.443 -10.515 -54.978								

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RS2			RS2			LB2	RB2		Final Orientation	RS2			RB2			LS2	LB2	RB2
				LB1			LS2							2					
				RS2										RS2					
				-CH2-										-CH2-					
Total Energy	18.122									Total Energy	23.823								
van der Waals	76.043									van der Waals	79.669								
electrostatic	-276.203									electrostatic	-271.643								
ΔEs	-115.929									ΔEs	-110.228								
	-20.227										-16.601								
	-96.756										-92.196								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Leu34
Final Orientation	LS1			LB2			RB2		LS2	Final Orientation	LS1			CS				RB1	RB2
	LS2			RB1										LS1				RS1	
	LB2			LS1										-CH2-					
				-CH2-										LS2					
Total Energy	4.929									Total Energy	36.753								
van der Waals	77.427									van der Waals	82								
electrostatic	-290.83									electrostatic	-261.531								
ΔEs	-129.122									ΔEs	-97.298								
	-18.843										-14.27								
	-111.383										-82.084								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation				CS			RS1	LB1		Final Orientation	LS1			LB1				RB1	CS
				RB1				LB1						LS2					
				RS2										LS1					
				2										-CH2-					
				CS															
Total Energy	83.264									Total Energy	42.564								
van der Waals	90.21									van der Waals	82.957								
electrostatic	-223.895									electrostatic	-257.212								
ΔEs	-50.787									ΔEs	-91.487								
	-6.06										-13.313								
	-44.448										-77.765								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RS1			RB1				LB1		Final Orientation	RS1			RB1				LB1	LB1
				RB1				LB1						RB2				RB1	
				RNH										RS1				LB1	
				RS1										-CH2-					
				-CH2-										RNH					
				RB2										RB1					
Total Energy	56.54									Total Energy	56.549								
van der Waals	82.067									van der Waals	81.96								
electrostatic	-246.773									electrostatic	-247.355								
ΔEs	-77.511									ΔEs	-77.502								
	-14.203										-14.31								
	-67.326										-67.908								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation				LS1				RB1		Final Orientation	RS2			RS2				LB1	LB1
				LB1				CS						RB1				LS2	
				LS2										RS1				LB1	
				LS1										RS2				CS	
				-CH2-										-CH2-					
Total Energy	56.821									Total Energy	41.902								
van der Waals	87.112									van der Waals	80.786								
electrostatic	-247.198									electrostatic	-257.144								
ΔEs	-77.23									ΔEs	-92.149								
	-9.158										-15.484								
	-67.751										-77.697								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation				LS2				RB1	LS2	Final Orientation	RS1			LB1				LS2	RB2
				LS1				RS2						LB1				LS2	RS2
				LS2				CS						RS2*				-CH2-	
				-CH2-										LS2*				LB2	
														-CH2-					
Total Energy	51.52									Total Energy	1.705								
van der Waals	84.903									van der Waals	75.513								
electrostatic	-256.272									electrostatic	-289.474								
ΔEs	-82.531									ΔEs	-132.346								
	-11.367										-20.757								
	-76.825										-110.027								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12
Final Orientation	LB2			RB2				LB1	RS2	Final Orientation	LB1			RB1				LB2	RB1
	LS2			RB1	LS2			LS2*	LB1					LB2	LS1			RS1	LB2
				LS2*				CS	CS					LS1*				LB2	RB1
				CS										LNH*					
				RS1										LB1*					
				RS2*										RNH*					
				-CH2-										RS1*					
														-CH2-					
Total Energy	22.219									Total Energy	9.794								
van der Waals	75.341									van der Waals	66.254								
electrostatic	-272.583									electrostatic	-285.952								
ΔEs	-111.832									ΔEs	-124.257								
	-20.929										-30.016								
	-93.136										-106.505								

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Leu34
Final Orientation			LB2	LB1 RB1 LNH LS2 -CH2-			LB2	RS1 RNH RB1	LS2	Final Orientation				RB2 RNH RS1 -CH2- RB2				LB2	LB2
Total Energy	41.947									Total Energy	64.62								
van der Waals	79.667									van der Waals	86.16								
electrostatic	-256.988									electrostatic	-239.393								
$\Delta$ Es	-92.104									$\Delta$ Es	-69.431								
	-16.603										-10.11								
	-77.541										-59.946								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Leu34
Final Orientation			LB2	LB1 RB1 LS2 LB2 -CH2-			LB2	RS2 RB1	LS2	Final Orientation				RB2 CS -CH2- -NH- RS1				LB2	LB2
Total Energy	30.947									Total Energy	30.947								
van der Waals	75.833									van der Waals	75.833								
electrostatic	-262.36									electrostatic	-262.36								
$\Delta$ Es	-103.104									$\Delta$ Es	-103.104								
	-20.437										-20.437								
	-82.913										-82.913								

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Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10
Final Orientation	CS RB1	LB1 LS1		RS1 2	CS C=O	CS -CH-	Final Orientation	LB1 CS -CH2- LB1 LS1	CS CS -NH- RS1		LS1 LS2	CS -CH2-
Total Energy	139.591						Total Energy	135.765				
van der Waals	117.425						van der Waals	109.219				
electrostatic	-261.241						electrostatic	-260.637				
$\Delta$ Es	-104.985						$\Delta$ Es	-108.811				
	-4.277							-12.483				
	-101							-100.396				
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	
Final Orientation	CS RS1 -CH2- LB1 RB1	RS1 RS1		RS2 -CH2-	RS2	Final Orientation	RS1 RS1 -CH2- -NH- RS1	CS LS1 LS2		RS1 LS2	RS2 C=O	
Total Energy	161.738					Total Energy	110.047					
van der Waals	109.638					van der Waals	109.653					
electrostatic	-233.306					electrostatic	-284.095					
$\Delta$ Es	-82.838					$\Delta$ Es	-134.529					
	-12.064						-12.049					
	-73.065						-123.854					
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10
Final Orientation	CS RB1 RS1 RS2	LS1 LS1		RS1 RB1 RNH	CS C=O	CS -CH2-	Final Orientation	LS1 CS -CH2- -NH- RS1	CS RB1 RS2 CS CS		LB1 LS2 2 LS1	CS -CH2-
Total Energy	105.307						Total Energy	108.858				
van der Waals	110.471						van der Waals	104.221				
electrostatic	-291.8						electrostatic	-287.616				
$\Delta$ Es	-139.269						$\Delta$ Es	-135.718				
	-11.231							-17.481				
	-131.559							-127.375				
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17
Final Orientation	CS LB1 LS1 LS2	RS2 RS1		LS2 2 RS2 -CH2-	CS C=O	CS -CH2-	Final Orientation	RS2 RS2 LB1 LS1 CS	CS LB1 RS2 CS		RS1 CS -CH2-	CS
Total Energy	99.511						Total Energy	113.757				
van der Waals	109.292						van der Waals	105.47				
electrostatic	-293.141						electrostatic	-278.627				
$\Delta$ Es	-145.065						$\Delta$ Es	-130.819				
	-12.41							-16.232				
	-132.9							-118.386				

Initial Orientation	H CS	H LS2	Q	K	Leu17			Initial Orientation	H LS2	H CS	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10		
Final Orientation	CS RB1 RS2	LS2		LS1* LB1* *-CH2- CS	LS1			Final Orientation	LS2 LB2	RS1			LB2 C=O	LS1 -CH2- LS2 -CH-		
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	130.683 104.379 -263.265							Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	139.606 112.806 -257.474							
ΔEs	-113.893 -17.323 -103.024							ΔEs	-104.97 -8.896 -97.233							
Initial Orientation	H CS	H LB2	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10		Initial Orientation	H RB1	H LB1	Q	K	Gly9			
Final Orientation	LB1 LS1 -CH2- CS	LS2 LS1 -CH-		LS1 -CH2-	CS C=O	LS2 -CH2-		Final Orientation	RB1 RNH RS1 RB2	LS2 LS1		LS1	RB1 C=O			
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	160.629 108.539 -231.106							Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	106.001 105.858 -288.005							
ΔEs	-83.947 -13.163 -70.865							ΔEs	-138.575 -15.844 -127.764							
Initial Orientation	H LB1	H RB1	Q	K				Initial Orientation	H LB1	H RS1	Q	K	Gly9			
Final Orientation	LS1	RS1		LS2 2 LB1 -CH2-				Final Orientation	LB1 CS -CH2- LS1 LS2	RS1 CS -CH-		LS2 2 CS -CH2-	LS1 C=O			
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	132.501 117.442 -274.526							Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	121.79 110.988 -275.435							
ΔEs	-112.075 -4.26 -114.285							ΔEs	-122.786 -10.714 -115.194							
Initial Orientation	H RS1	H LB1	Q	K	Gly9			Initial Orientation	H RB1	H LS1	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10	Leu17	
Final Orientation	RS1	LS1		RNH RS1 C=O	RS1 C=O			Final Orientation	RB1 RS1 RB1	LS2 LS1		LS1 -CH2-	RS1* RB1* *C=O	CS -CH2-	LS1	
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	142.499 117.472 -257.406							Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	134.4 106.173 -260.158							
ΔEs	-102.077 -4.23 -97.165							ΔEs	-110.176 -15.529 -99.917							
Initial Orientation	H LS1	H RB1	Q	K				Initial Orientation	H LB1	H RS2	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10		
Final Orientation	RS1 CS -CH2- LB1 LS1	CS -CH-		LB1 LS2 2 CS -CH2- LS1				Final Orientation	LB1 LS1 LS2	RS2 RS1		LS2 2 RS2 -CH2-	CS C=O	CS -CH2-		
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	126.537 114.699 -279.398							Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	98.47 104.359 -292.452							
ΔEs	-118.039 -7.003 -119.157							ΔEs	-146.106 -17.343 -132.211							
Initial Orientation	H RS2	H LB1	Q	K	Leu17			Initial Orientation	H RB1	H LS2	Q	K	Tyr10			
Final Orientation	RS2	LS2 LB1 CS		RS1 RS2	CS			Final Orientation	RS2	LS2			LS2 -CH2-			
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	121.293 105.592 -272.75							Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	153.461 112.18 -244.615							
ΔEs	-123.283 -16.11 -112.509							ΔEs	-91.115 -9.522 -84.374							

Initial Orientation	H LS2	H RB1	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10	Leu17	Val18		Initial Orientation	H RB2	H LB1	Q	K	Gly9	
Final Orientation	LB1	RB1		LB2	LS1	CS	RS2	RS2		Final Orientation	RB2	LS2		RS2	RB2	
	LS2	CS		LS2	C=O	-CH2-					RS2	2		-CH2-	C=O	
	LS1	-CH2-									-CH2-	RS2				
		RS1									-CH-					
		RS2														
Total Energy van der Waals	99.12									Total Energy van der Waals	151.844					
electrostatic	100.016									electrostatic	111.73					
	-291.072										-243.709					
ΔEs	-145.456									ΔEs	-92.732					
	-21.686										-9.972					
	-130.831										-83.468					
Initial Orientation	H LB1	H RB2	Q	K	Tyr10					Initial Orientation	H LB2	H RB1	Q	K	Gly9	
Final Orientation	RB1	RB2			RS2					Final Orientation	LB2	RB1		LS1	LB2	
	LS2	RS2			-CH2-						LS1	RS1		-CH2-	C=O	
	LB1										LNH	LB1				
	CS										LB1	-CH-				
											-CH2-	RNH				
Total Energy van der Waals	128.469									Total Energy van der Waals	129.111					
electrostatic	104.222									electrostatic	107.682					
	-263.496										-257.711					
ΔEs	-116.107									ΔEs	-115.465					
	-17.48										-14.02					
	-103.255										-97.47					
Initial Orientation	H RB1	H LB2	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10				Initial Orientation	H LS2	H RS2	Q	K	Tyr10	
Final Orientation	LB1	LB2		RS2	LB1	LS1				Final Orientation	LS2	RB1		LB2	CS	
	RB1	LS1		RB1	C=O	LNH*					LS1	RS1		LS2	-CH2-	
	RB1					LB1*					RS2					
	LNH					*-CH2-										
	-NH-															
	RNH															
Total Energy van der Waals	107.413									Total Energy van der Waals	106.184					
electrostatic	97.731									electrostatic	107.614					
	-275.241										-285.376					
ΔEs	-137.163									ΔEs	-138.392					
	-23.971										-14.088					
	-115										-125.135					
Initial Orientation	H RS2	H LS2	Q	K	Leu17					Initial Orientation	H RB2	H LS2	Q	K		
Final Orientation	RB2	LS2		RS1	CS					Final Orientation	RB2	LS2		RS2		
	RS2			RS2*							RS2	LB2		2		
				RB1*												
				CS*												
				*-CH2-												
Total Energy van der Waals	114.822									Total Energy van der Waals	135.755					
electrostatic	106.717									electrostatic	115.866					
	-279.908										-267.65					
ΔEs	-129.754									ΔEs	-108.821					
	-14.985										-5.836					
	-119.667										-107.409					
Initial Orientation	H LS2	H RB2	Q	K	Val18					Initial Orientation	H LB2	H RB2	Q	K	Val18	
Final Orientation	LS2	RB2		LS2	RB2					Final Orientation	LB2	RB2		LS1	RB2	
	LS1										LS2	RS2		LB2		
											LB1			LNH		
														-CH2-		
Total Energy van der Waals	107.914									Total Energy van der Waals	126.265					
electrostatic	105.287									electrostatic	104.686					
	-282.698										-272.779					
ΔEs	-136.662									ΔEs	-118.311					
	-16.415										-17.016					
	-122.457										-112.538					
Initial Orientation	H RS2	H LB2	Q	K	Leu17	Val18				Initial Orientation	H RB2	H LB2	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10
Final Orientation	RB2	LB2		RB1	LS2	LS2				Final Orientation	RS2	LB2		RS1	RB2	RS2
	RS2	LS2		RS2							LS2	2		RS2	C=O	-CH-
Total Energy van der Waals	124.503									Total Energy van der Waals	125.792					
electrostatic	109.776									electrostatic	107.557					
	-276.707										-265.71					
ΔEs	-120.073									ΔEs	-118.784					
	-11.926										-14.145					
	-116.466										-105.469					

	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	Val18							Initial Orientatio	H	H	Q	K
Initial Orientatio	LB2	RB2											Initial Orientatio	LS1	RS1		
Final Orientatio	LB2	RB2			LB2	RB2							Final Orientatio	LB1	RS1		LB1
		RS2			C=O									LNH	RB1		
														LS1			
Total Energy	195.363												Total Energy	152.459			
van der Waals	115.52												van der Waals	110.378			
electrostatic	-209.836												electrostatic	-246.619			
ΔEs	-49.213												ΔEs	-92.117			
	-6.182													-11.324			
	-49.595													-86.378			
Initial Orientatio	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10								Initial Orientatio	H	H	Q	K
Final Orientatio	RS1	LS1											Final Orientatio	CS			RB1
	RS1	LS1		RS1	CS								Final Orientatio	RB1			RS2
	RB1	LNH		RNH	-CH2-									CS			2
																	RS1
																	-CH2-
Total Energy	129.888												Total Energy	170.62			
van der Waals	106.317												van der Waals	118.265			
electrostatic	-269.602												electrostatic	-232.103			
ΔEs	-114.688												ΔEs	-73.956			
	-15.385													-3.437			
	-109.361													-71.862			
Initial Orientatio	H	H	Q	K									Initial Orientatio	H	H	Q	K
Final Orientatio	RB1			CS									Final Orientatio	CS			LB1
	RS1			LS1													LS1
Total Energy	176.809												Total Energy	174.098			
van der Waals	120.924												van der Waals	122.367			
electrostatic	-228.247												electrostatic	-232.98			
ΔEs	-67.767												ΔEs	-70.478			
	-0.778													0.665			
	-68.006													-72.739			
Initial Orientatio	H	H	Q	K									Initial Orientatio	H	H	Q	K
Final Orientatio	LB1			CS									Final Orientatio	CS			RS1
	LS1			RB1										RB1			RS2
	2			RS1										CS			RS1
Total Energy	167.609												Total Energy	171.734			
van der Waals	116.064												van der Waals	116.536			
electrostatic	-233.674												electrostatic	-231.866			
ΔEs	-76.967												ΔEs	-72.842			
	-5.638													-5.166			
	-73.433													-71.625			
Initial Orientatio	H	H	Q	K									Initial Orientatio	H	H	Q	K
Final Orientatio	RS1			CS									Final Orientatio	CS			LS1
	RS1			RS2										LNH			LB2
														LS1			LS1
														LS1			-CH2-
Total Energy	167.973												Total Energy	159.814			
van der Waals	116.407												van der Waals	117.038			
electrostatic	-232.764												electrostatic	-244.256			
ΔEs	-76.603												ΔEs	-84.762			
	-5.295													-4.664			
	-72.523													-84.015			
Initial Orientatio	H	H	Q	K									Initial Orientatio	H	H	Q	K
Final Orientatio	LS1			CS									Final Orientatio	CS			RS2
	LS1			RB1										RB1			RS2
				RS1										CS			2
				RS2										RS1			RS1
Total Energy	162.074												Total Energy	153.152			
van der Waals	115.997												van der Waals	117.156			
electrostatic	-239.528												electrostatic	-251.64			
ΔEs	-82.502												ΔEs	-91.424			
	-5.705													-4.546			
	-79.287													-91.399			
Initial Orientatio	H	H	Q	K									Initial Orientatio	H	H	Q	K
Final Orientatio	RS2			CS									Final Orientatio	CS			LS2
	RS1			LB1										CS			LB2
	RB1			RB1										LS2			LS2
	RS2			LS2										CS			2
				CS										-CH2-			
Total Energy	142.735												Total Energy	179.787			
van der Waals	110.352												van der Waals	120.458			
electrostatic	-252.207												electrostatic	-224.119			
ΔEs	-101.841												ΔEs	-64.789			
	-11.35													-1.244			
	-91.966													-63.878			



Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K		
Final Orientation	LS2			CS			Final Orientation	LB1			RB1		
	LS1			CS				LS1			RS1		
											2		
Total Energy	170.648						Total Energy	177.117					
van der Waals	120.774						van der Waals	119.216					
electrostatic	-236.567						electrostatic	-226.636					
ΔEs	-73.928						ΔEs	-67.459					
	-0.928							-2.486					
	-76.326							-66.395					
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K		
Final Orientation	RB1			LB1			Final Orientation	LB1			RS1		
	RS1			LS1				LB1			RS2		
				2				CS			2		
				LB1				RB1			RS1		
				LNH							-CH2-		
Total Energy	171.583						Total Energy	151.125					
van der Waals	118.557						van der Waals	114.134					
electrostatic	-233.045						electrostatic	-245.77					
ΔEs	-72.993						ΔEs	-93.451					
	-3.145							-7.568					
	-72.804							-85.529					
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K		
Final Orientation	RS1			LB1			Final Orientation	RB1			LS1		
	RS1			LS1				LB1			LS1		
				2				LS1					
Total Energy	173.34						Total Energy	161.759					
van der Waals	120.502						van der Waals	117.462					
electrostatic	-231.449						electrostatic	-240.766					
ΔEs	-71.236						ΔEs	-82.817					
	-1.2							-4.24					
	-71.208							-80.525					
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K		Gly9
Final Orientation	LS1			RB1			Final Orientation	LB1			RS2		
	LS1			RS1				LS2			RS2		LS2
								2			2		
								RS1					
Total Energy	174.046						Total Energy	150.38					
van der Waals	119.63						van der Waals	114.488					
electrostatic	-230.882						electrostatic	-251.666					
ΔEs	-70.53						ΔEs	-94.196					
	-2.072							-7.214					
	-70.641							-91.425					
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K		
Final Orientation	RS2			LB1			Final Orientation	RB1			LS2		
	RS2			LS2				LB1			LS2		
				2				CS			2		
				LS1				RS2					
Total Energy	148.389						Total Energy	153.37					
van der Waals	120.747						van der Waals	116.054					
electrostatic	-255.85						electrostatic	-248.262					
ΔEs	-96.187						ΔEs	-91.206					
	-0.955							-5.648					
	-95.609							-88.021					
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Phe19		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K		Gly9
Final Orientation	LS2			RB1	RB2		Final Orientation	LB1			RB2		
	LS2			RS2	RB1	RS2		LB1			RB2		LS1
	2							RS1			RS1		C=O
								RB1			RNH		
								LNH					
								LS1					
Total Energy	147.54						Total Energy	157.675					
van der Waals	113.929						van der Waals	110.979					
electrostatic	-253.465						electrostatic	-245.245					
ΔEs	-97.036						ΔEs	-86.901					
	-7.773							-10.723					
	-93.224							-85.004					
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Ser8	Gly9
Final Orientation	RB2			LB1			Final Orientation	RB1			LB2		
	RNH			LB1				LB1			LB2		RB1
	RS1			RB1				RB1			RS1		
	RB2							RB1			LS1		
								LNH			-CH2-		
								RS2			LNH		
Total Energy	167.219						Total Energy	146.163					
van der Waals	114.611						van der Waals	107.697					
electrostatic	-233.144						electrostatic	-250.387					
ΔEs	-77.357						ΔEs	-98.413					
	-7.091							-14.005					
	-72.903							-90.146					



Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10					Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K		
Final Orientation	LB2	RS1		LB1	RS1					Final Orientation	RS1	LS1		RB1		
				2	-CH2-									RS1		
				LNH										RB1		
				LB1										-CH2-		
														RNH		
Total Energy	133.918									Total Energy	138.077					
van der Waals	110.293									van der Waals	115.228					
electrostatic	-263.54									electrostatic	-264.279					
ΔEs	-110.658									ΔEs	-106.499					
	-11.409										-6.474					
	-103.299										-104.038					
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10					Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	
Final Orientation	RS2	RB2		LB1	RS2					Final Orientation	LB2	LB2		LB1	LS2	
				LB1	-CH-									RB1		
				LNH										RB1		
				LS2										LS2		
														-CH2-		
Total Energy	144.288									Total Energy	170.308					
van der Waals	112.962									van der Waals	112.966					
electrostatic	-252.207									electrostatic	-227.995					
ΔEs	-100.288									ΔEs	-74.268					
	-8.74										-8.736					
	-91.966										-67.754					
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Gly9	Tyr10	Leu17	Val18		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Tyr10	
Final Orientation	LB1	RS1		LS2	CS	CS	RS2	RS2		Final Orientation	RS2	LB2		RS2	LB2	
	LS1	RS2		2	C=O	-CH2-					LB2			RS1		
	CS										LS2			RS2		
Total Energy	94.272									Total Energy	125.96					
van der Waals	106.029									van der Waals	112.307					
electrostatic	-295.616									electrostatic	-268.282					
ΔEs	-150.304									ΔEs	-118.616					
	-15.673										-9.395					
	-135.375										-108.041					
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17					Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	
Final Orientation		LB2		RB2	RS2	RS2				Final Orientation	RS2	RS2		LS2	RB2	
		LB2		2	RB1						-CH2-			2		
		LS2			RNH						RB2			LB1		
														RS2*		
														RB2*		
														*-CH2-		
Total Energy	156.298									Total Energy	143.851					
van der Waals	111.346									van der Waals	107.336					
electrostatic	-249.523									electrostatic	-251.926					
ΔEs	-88.278									ΔEs	-100.725					
	-10.356										-14.366					
	-89.282										-91.685					
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Val18					Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Leu17	Val18
Final Orientation	LB1	RB2		LB2	RB2					Final Orientation	RB2	LB2		RS2	CS	LB2
	CS	RS2		LS2							RS1	LNH		2		
	-CH2-	CS												CS		
	LS2	-CH-												-CH2-		
														RB1		
Total Energy	132.362									Total Energy	116.633					
van der Waals	107.8									van der Waals	104.698					
electrostatic	-264.558									electrostatic	-275.832					
ΔEs	-112.214									ΔEs	-127.943					
	-13.902										-17.004					
	-104.317										-115.591					
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Val18	Ala21				Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	Val18	
Final Orientation	RB2	LNH		RS2	LB2	LB2				Final Orientation		RB2		LB2	RB2	
	RS1	LS1		2	RB1	-CH2-					RS2			LS2		
	RNH													LB2		
	RB1															
Total Energy	112.239									Total Energy	159.255					
van der Waals	103.129									van der Waals	115.368					
electrostatic	-280.205									electrostatic	-240.963					
ΔEs	-132.337									ΔEs	-85.321					
	-18.573										-6.334					
	-119.964										-80.722					

Initial Orientation	L RB1	V LB1	F	F	His14				Initial Orientation	L LB1	V RB1	F	F	His14	Lys16
Final Orientation	RS1 RB1	LB1			LS1 2 LB1				Final Orientation	LB1 LS1				RS1	LS1 -CH2-
Total Energy	194.286							Total Energy	178.555						
van der Waals	114.552							van der Waals	111.697						
electrostatic	-198.761							electrostatic	-221.045						
ΔEs	-50.29 -7.15 -38.52							ΔEs	-66.021 -10.005 -60.804						
Initial Orientation	L LB1	V RB2	F	F	His14	Lys16		Initial Orientation	L RB1	V LB2	F	F	His14	Lys16	
Final Orientation	LB1 RB1	RB2			RB2 RS2	LS2 2 LB1 -CH2-		Final Orientation	RB1 LB1	LB2			LB2 LS1	RS1 2 RNH	
Total Energy	161.249							Total Energy	156.156						
van der Waals	110.053							van der Waals	107.952						
electrostatic	-233.708							electrostatic	-249.603						
ΔEs	-83.327 -11.649 -73.467							ΔEs	-88.42 -13.75 -89.362						
Initial Orientation	L LB2	V RB2	F	F	His14			Initial Orientation	L RB2	V LB2	F	F	His14		
Final Orientation		RB2			RB2 RS2 2			Final Orientation					LB1		
Total Energy	203.694							Total Energy	204.651						
van der Waals	116.965							van der Waals	114.236						
electrostatic	-198.312							electrostatic	-195.208						
ΔEs	-40.882 -4.737 -38.071							ΔEs	-39.925 -7.466 -34.967						
Initial Orientation	L LB1	V	F RB1	F				Initial Orientation	L RB1	V	F LB1	F CS	Lys16		
Final Orientation	LB1							Final Orientation	RS1 RB1 CS		LB1	CS	RS1 2 RNH RB1		
Total Energy	231.76							Total Energy	199.369						
van der Waals	118.09							van der Waals	109.072						
electrostatic	-170.46							electrostatic	-203.717						
ΔEs	-12.816 -3.612 -10.219							ΔEs	-45.207 -12.63 -43.476						
Initial Orientation	L RB2	V	F LB1	F	Lys16			Initial Orientation	L LB1	V	F RB2	F	Lys16		
Final Orientation	RNH		LB1 LB1		RS2 2			Final Orientation	LS2 LB1				RS1 2 RB1 RNH		
Total Energy	193.33							Total Energy	196.046						
van der Waals	111.33							van der Waals	113.742						
electrostatic	-213.315							electrostatic	-207.25						
ΔEs	-51.246 -10.372 -53.074							ΔEs	-48.53 -7.96 -47.009						
Initial Orientation	L LB2	V	F RB1	F	Val12	Gln15	Lys16	Initial Orientation	L RB1	V	F LB2	F	Lys16		
Final Orientation	LB2 LS2		RB1 RS2	LS2	RB2	RB2	RB1 RB2 -CH-	Final Orientation	RB1				LS2 2		
Total Energy	164.34							Total Energy	189.562						
van der Waals	102.523							van der Waals	116.235						
electrostatic	-226.591							electrostatic	-214.268						
ΔEs	-80.236 -19.179 -66.35							ΔEs	-55.014 -5.467 -54.027						

Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16			Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F		
Final Orientation	RB2		LB2					Final Orientation	LB2		RB2			
Total Energy	191.274							Total Energy	230.29					
van der Waals	116.744							van der Waals	119.106					
electrostatic	-215.099							electrostatic	-175.843					
ΔEs	-53.302							ΔEs	-14.286					
	-4.958								-2.596					
	-54.858								-15.602					
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16			Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16	
Final Orientation	LB1			RB1				Final Orientation	RB1			LB1		
	LS1			RS1	LS1				CS			LS1	RS1	
	LNH				2				RB1			LB1		
									RS1			CS		
Total Energy	195.942							Total Energy	198.721					
van der Waals	115.771							van der Waals	111.209					
electrostatic	-207.059							electrostatic	-203.974					
ΔEs	-48.634							ΔEs	-45.855					
	-5.931								-10.493					
	-46.818								-43.733					
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16			Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16	
Final Orientation	RB2			LB1				Final Orientation	LB1			RB2		
				RB1								LB1		
				LB1								RB2	LS1	
												LB1		
Total Energy	226.908							Total Energy	201.558					
van der Waals	115.31							van der Waals	113.045					
electrostatic	-174.796							electrostatic	-204.193					
ΔEs	-17.668							ΔEs	-43.018					
	-6.392								-8.657					
	-14.555								-43.952					
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16	Lys28		Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16	
Final Orientation	LB2			RB1				Final Orientation	RB1			LB2		
				LB1	LB2	RS1			RS1				RB2	
				LB1	2	RNH			RNH				RS1	
													-CH2-	
Total Energy	167.303							Total Energy	191.881					
van der Waals	108.215							van der Waals	114.006					
electrostatic	-233.085							electrostatic	-205.315					
ΔEs	-77.273							ΔEs	-52.695					
	-13.487								-7.696					
	-72.844								-45.074					
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16			Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16	
Final Orientation	RB2			LB2				Final Orientation	LB2			RB2		
Total Energy	240.958							Total Energy	241.945					
van der Waals	120.179							van der Waals	120.477					
electrostatic	-163.319							electrostatic	-162.149					
ΔEs	-3.618							ΔEs	-2.631					
	-1.523								-1.225					
	-3.078								-1.908					
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Gln15	Lys16		Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16	
Final Orientation		LB2	RB1					Final Orientation		RB2	LB2			
			LB1		LB2	RS2								
			RNH											
Total Energy	200.011							Total Energy	210.003					
van der Waals	110.909							van der Waals	124.992					
electrostatic	-212.006							electrostatic	-202.226					
ΔEs	-44.565							ΔEs	-34.573					
	-10.793								3.29					
	-51.765								-41.985					
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F				Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His14	Ala21
Final Orientation		LB2	RB2					Final Orientation	RS2	RB2		LB1	RB2	RNH
												LNH		RB1
Total Energy	213.07							Total Energy	209.598					
van der Waals	123.133							van der Waals	111.414					
electrostatic	-197.274							electrostatic	-187.31					
ΔEs	-31.506							ΔEs	-34.978					
	1.431								-10.288					
	-37.033								-27.069					

Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His14				Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	His14	Lys16	Ala21	Glu22	
Final Orientation		RB2		LB2	RB2				Final Orientation	LS1	LB2		RB2	LB2	LS1	LB2	LB2	
				LB2						LNH			RB2	LS2	-CH2-	LB1	-CH2-	
										LB1				LS1				
Total Energy	212.466								Total Energy	161.657								
van der Waals	116.952								van der Waals	104.25								
electrostatic	-189.568								electrostatic	-233.256								
ΔEs	-32.11								ΔEs	-82.919								
	-4.75									-17.452								
	-29.327									-73.015								
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Asp23	Val24	Lys28		Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Val24	Lys28			
Final Orientation			LB1	RB1	CS	RS1	RB1		Final Orientation			RB1	LB1	LS1	LS1	LNH		
				CS			RS2					RS1	LB1					
				-CH-									RB1					
Total Energy	172.908								Total Energy	172.552								
van der Waals	107.527								van der Waals	110.958								
electrostatic	-217.621								electrostatic	-223.017								
ΔEs	-71.668								ΔEs	-72.024								
	-14.175									-10.744								
	-57.38									-62.776								
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Asp23	Val24	Lys28		Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Gln15				
Final Orientation	LS2		RB2	RB2	RB2	RS2	RS2		Final Orientation			LB1	RB2	LB2				
				RS2			2					LB1	RB2					
				RB1			RB2					LB2						
				CS														
				LS2														
Total Energy	179.186								Total Energy	196.419								
van der Waals	108.954								van der Waals	113.229								
electrostatic	-216.636								electrostatic	-203.164								
ΔEs	-65.39								ΔEs	-48.157								
	-12.748									-8.473								
	-56.395									-42.923								
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F					Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys16				
Final Orientation			LB2	RB1					Final Orientation	LNH		RB1	LB2	LS1				
				RS1						LS1		RB1		LB1				
				RB1								LB1						
Total Energy	227.137								Total Energy	197.716								
van der Waals	117.459								van der Waals	108.556								
electrostatic	-175.095								electrostatic	-202.957								
ΔEs	-17.439								ΔEs	-46.86								
	-4.243									-13.146								
	-14.854									-42.716								
Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F					Initial Orientation	L	V	F	F	Lys28				
Final Orientation			RB2	LB2					Final Orientation			LB2	RB2	RS1				
														2				
														RNH				
Total Energy	226.642								Total Energy	197.573								
van der Waals	119.917								van der Waals	116.823								
electrostatic	-181.38								electrostatic	-203.015								
ΔEs	-17.934								ΔEs	-47.003								
	-1.785									-4.879								
	-21.139									-42.774								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RS1			LB1	LS1				Final Orientation	LS1			RB1	RS1				
				RS1	LNH							LB1						
				RB1	LB1													
				-CH2-														
				RNH														
Total Energy	159.81								Total Energy	148.251								
van der Waals	117.508								van der Waals	117.809								
electrostatic	-242.976								electrostatic	-258.276								
ΔEs	-84.766								ΔEs	-96.325								
	-4.194									-3.893								
	-82.735									-98.035								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Gly9	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation	LNH			RS1	RB2				LS1	Final Orientation	RB2			LNH*	LB1			Gly9
	LS1			RNH									-CH-				RB2	
													RS1				C=O	
														LB1*			RB2	
														*-CH2-			-CH2-	
Total Energy	160.8								Total Energy	136.874								
van der Waals	110.705								van der Waals	104.652								
electrostatic	-238.069								electrostatic	-255.216								
ΔEs	-83.776								ΔEs	-107.702								
	-10.997									-17.05								
	-77.828									-94.975								



Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RS1			LB1			LB2			Final Orientation	LS2			RS2			RB2		
	2																		
Total Energy	170.614									Total Energy	159.764								
van der Waals	117.987									van der Waals	114.119								
electrostatic	-232.644									electrostatic	-238.264								
ΔEs	-73.962									ΔEs	-84.812								
	-3.715										-7.583								
	-72.403										-78.023								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RS2			RS2			LB2			Final Orientation	RS1			LNH				LB2	
	RS2										RS2								
Total Energy	135.225									Total Energy	150.552								
van der Waals	115.564									van der Waals	117.159								
electrostatic	-267.739									electrostatic	-255.13								
ΔEs	-109.351									ΔEs	-94.024								
	-6.138										-4.543								
	-107.498										-94.889								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	LB2	LB2		RB1			RB2			Final Orientation	LB2			LS2	RS2				RB2
	LNH	-CH-		LB1							LS2		LNH	RB2					
	LB2			LB2							LB1								
	-CH2-			-CH2-															
Total Energy	143.735									Total Energy	166.637								
van der Waals	111.761									van der Waals	113.907								
electrostatic	-252.841									electrostatic	-234.523								
ΔEs	-100.841									ΔEs	-77.939								
	-9.941										-7.795								
	-92.6										-74.282								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RB2			LB1	LB2			LB2		Final Orientation	LB2			LS2	RS2				RB2
	RS2			RB1	LS1						LS2		LNH	RB2					
	RB2			RS2															
Total Energy	146.922									Total Energy	166.637								
van der Waals	110.396									van der Waals	113.907								
electrostatic	-251.276									electrostatic	-234.523								
ΔEs	-97.654									ΔEs	-77.939								
	-11.306										-7.795								
	-91.035										-74.282								

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Tyr10	Lys28	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Tyr10
Final Orientation	CS			RB1							Final Orientation	CS				LB1				
	LB1								CS	RS1		CS			LS1					RS1
	LS1								-CH2-	2		RB1								-CH2-
	CS																			
	-CH2-																			
	LS2																			
Total Energy	139.226										Total Energy	180.587								
van der Waals	107.27										van der Waals	114.075								
electrostatic	-251.961										electrostatic	-222.078								
ΔEs	-105.35										ΔEs	-63.989								
	-14.432											-7.627								
	-91.72											-61.837								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	His6	Tyr10	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Tyr10
Final Orientation	RS2				RB2				LS2	LB1	Final Orientation	LB1			LS1	LB2	LS2			CS
	CS									CS		CS			-CH2-					
	RS1									RS2		-CH2-								
	RS2									-CH2-										
	-CH2-																			
Total Energy	125.618										Total Energy	144.585								
van der Waals	104.951										van der Waals	109.131								
electrostatic	-260.079										electrostatic	-247.972								
ΔEs	-118.958										ΔEs	-99.991								
	-16.751											-12.571								
	-99.838											-87.731								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RB1				LB1						Final Orientation	LB1				RB1				
	RS1				LS1							LS2			RS1					
												LB1								
Total Energy	193.612										Total Energy	196.56								
van der Waals	116.732										van der Waals	116.449								
electrostatic	-208.82										electrostatic	-203.336								
ΔEs	-50.964										ΔEs	-48.016								
	-4.97											-5.253								
	-48.579											-43.095								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RS1				LB1						Final Orientation	LS1			RS1	RB1				
												2			RNH					
															RB1					
															-CH2-					
Total Energy	199.718										Total Energy	174.681								
van der Waals	118.785										van der Waals	113.922								
electrostatic	-207.434										electrostatic	-231.044								
ΔEs	-44.858										ΔEs	-69.895								
	-2.917											-7.78								
	-47.193											-70.803								



Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			
Final Orientation		RS2			LB1						Final Orientation		LS2			RB1						
		RS2		CS	LS2								LS2		CS	RB1						
				-CH2-	LS1										RB1							
					LB1																	
Total Energy	170.96										Total Energy	179.174										
van der Waals	115.096										van der Waals	115.093										
electrostatic	-230.888										electrostatic	-221.564										
ΔEs	-73.616										ΔEs	-65.402										
	-6.606											-6.609										
	-70.647											-61.323										
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			
Final Orientation		LB1			RB2						Final Orientation		RB2		LS2	LB1			LB1	LB2		
		LS1		RS1	RB2								RS2		CS*	LB2			LB2			
				-CH2-											LB1*							
															*-CH2-							
Total Energy	178.192										Total Energy	158.538										
van der Waals	112.803										van der Waals	106.371										
electrostatic	-219.722										electrostatic	-238.411										
ΔEs	-66.384										ΔEs	-86.038										
	-8.899											-15.331										
	-59.481											-78.17										
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	GlU22		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Tyr10	
Final Orientation		RB1			LB2					RB2	Final Orientation		LB2		LS1	RS1					LS1	
		LS2		LS2	LB2								LS1	-CH2-	LS1	RB1					-CH-	
		RS2		-CH2-	LS2								-CH-									
Total Energy	168.751										Total Energy	160.103										
van der Waals	107.625										van der Waals	108.186										
electrostatic	-223.984										electrostatic	-237.017										
ΔEs	-75.825										ΔEs	-84.473										
	-14.077											-13.516										
	-63.743											-76.776										
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			
Final Orientation		LS2			RB2					LB2	Final Orientation		RS2		LB2	LB2						
		LB2			RB2								RS2		LB2		RS2					
		LS2													LS2							
Total Energy	196.786										Total Energy	166.669										
van der Waals	115.584										van der Waals	113.785										
electrostatic	-204.162										electrostatic	-226.407										
ΔEs	-47.79										ΔEs	-77.907										
	-6.118											-7.917										
	-43.921											-66.166										
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Tyr10	
Final Orientation		RB2			LB2						Final Orientation		LB2		LB2	RB2						LB2
		RS2											LB2									
Total Energy	193.975										Total Energy	196.406										
van der Waals	118.191										van der Waals	115.722										
electrostatic	-212.378										electrostatic	-207.449										
ΔEs	-50.601										ΔEs	-48.17										
	-3.511											-5.98										
	-52.137											-47.208										
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			
Final Orientation		LS1			CS	LS1				RS1	Final Orientation		LS1			RB1						RB2
		2											LS1		RB1							
Total Energy	195.091										Total Energy	191.612										
van der Waals	114.03										van der Waals	113.542										
electrostatic	-201.888										electrostatic	-203.88										
ΔEs	-49.485										ΔEs	-52.964										
	-7.672											-8.16										
	-41.647											-43.639										
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Ala21		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Ala21	
Final Orientation		RB2			LB2					LB1	Final Orientation		RB1		LB2							LB1
		RB2								RB1			RS1									
Total Energy	221.174										Total Energy	189.882										
van der Waals	114.127										van der Waals	116.382										
electrostatic	-178.988										electrostatic	-217.454										
ΔEs	-23.402										ΔEs	-54.694										
	-7.575											-5.32										
	-18.747											-57.213										
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			
Final Orientation		LS1			RS1					RB2	Final Orientation		RS1									LB2
		LS1											RS1									
Total Energy	195.862										Total Energy	197.571										
van der Waals	115.556										van der Waals	114.946										
electrostatic	-207.55										electrostatic	-198.882										
ΔEs	-48.714										ΔEs	-47.005										
	-6.146											-6.756										
	-47.309											-38.641										

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val24		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation		LS2						RB2			Final Orientation		RS2						LB2	
		2																		
		LB2																		
Total Energy	193.896										Total Energy	201.567								
van der Waals	113.618										van der Waals	117.327								
electrostatic	-203.469										electrostatic	-199.607								
ΔEs	-50.68										ΔEs	-43.009								
	-8.084											-4.375								
	-43.228											-39.366								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation		RB2						LB2			Final Orientation		LB2						RB2	
		RS2											LB2							
Total Energy	200.391										Total Energy	200.265								
van der Waals	119.23										van der Waals	116.54								
electrostatic	-201.534										electrostatic	-200.836								
ΔEs	-44.185										ΔEs	-44.311								
	-2.472											-5.162								
	-41.293											-40.595								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	LS2			CS	RB1						Final Orientation	RS2			CS	LB1			RS1	
				LB1	RS1								RS1		RS1					
				LS1*										-CH2-						
				RB1																
				RB1																
				RS1*																
				*-CH2-																
Total Energy	148.76										Total Energy	148.531								
van der Waals	113.861										van der Waals	112.791								
electrostatic	-252.041										electrostatic	-251.384								
ΔEs	-95.816										ΔEs	-96.045								
	-7.841											-8.911								
	-91.8											-91.143								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation				RB1	LB1						Final Orientation				LB1	RB1				RS1
				RS1	CS									LB1	RS1					
				2	LB1									LS2	RB1					
				RN-H										2						
				RB1										LS1						
														-CH2-						
Total Energy	194.844										Total Energy	159.296								
van der Waals	120.668										van der Waals	114.511								
electrostatic	-210.997										electrostatic	-241.318								
ΔEs	-49.732										ΔEs	-85.28								
	-1.034											-7.191								
	-50.756											-81.077								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation				RS1	LB1						Final Orientation				LS1	RB1				
				RS1	CS									LB1	RB1					
				2										LS2						
				RB1										2						
														LS1						
														-CH2-						
Total Energy	192.163										Total Energy	164.666								
van der Waals	119.621										van der Waals	114.47								
electrostatic	-211.749										electrostatic	-236.204								
ΔEs	-52.413										ΔEs	-79.91								
	-2.081											-7.232								
	-51.508											-75.963								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation				RS2	LB1						Final Orientation				LS2	RB1				
				RB1	LS2									LS2	RS2				RS2	
				RS1	LB1									2					RS2	
				RS2	CS									2					RB2	
																			RB2	
Total Energy	165.726										Total Energy	172.668								
van der Waals	114.659										van der Waals	111.733								
electrostatic	-234.27										electrostatic	-222.956								
ΔEs	-78.85										ΔEs	-71.908								
	-7.043											-9.969								
	-74.029											-62.715								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F			Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RS1	RS2		LB1	RB2						Final Orientation				RB2	LB1				
	RS2	RB2		LS2										RB2	LB1					
	-CH2-			LB1										RS2						
				RB2																
				RS2																
				-CH2-																
Total Energy	114.522										Total Energy	195.63								
van der Waals	109.928										van der Waals	116.705								
electrostatic	-284.903										electrostatic	-205.997								
ΔEs	-130.054										ΔEs	-48.946								
	-11.774											-4.997								
	-124.662											-45.756								

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation				RB1 LB1 LNH* LS1* *-CH2-	LB2 LB2					Initial Orientation				LB2 LB1 LNH	RB1 RNH RB1				
Total Energy	162.287									Total Energy	203.41								
van der Waals	114.769									van der Waals	115.398								
electrostatic	-242.039									electrostatic	-201.393								
ΔEs	-82.289									ΔEs	-41.166								
	-6.933										-6.304								
	-81.798										-41.152								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	LS2	RS2		LS2 RS2 LB1 LB1 RS2 *-CH2-	RB2 RS2					Initial Orientation	RB2			RS2 LB2	LB2 LB2				
Total Energy	121.887									Total Energy	169.22								
van der Waals	113.119									van der Waals	114.423								
electrostatic	-277.752									electrostatic	-235.432								
ΔEs	-122.689									ΔEs	-75.356								
	-8.583										-7.279								
	-117.511										-75.191								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation				LB2 LS2 RB2	RB2 RS2			RB2		Initial Orientation	RB2			RB2 LB1 *-CH2- RS2	LB2 LB2 LS2				
Total Energy	178.578									Total Energy	161.177								
van der Waals	117.844									van der Waals	112.116								
electrostatic	-224.83									electrostatic	-233.026								
ΔEs	-65.998									ΔEs	-83.399								
	-3.858										-9.586								
	-64.589										-72.785								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Tyr10
Final Orientation	RS2	RS2		LB1 LS2 LNH RS2 *-CH2-	LB2 RB2	RB2				Initial Orientation	LS1	LB2		RB1 LB1 RNH LNH *-CH2-	LS2 LB2	LB2		LS1 *-CH2-	
Total Energy	131.997									Total Energy	142.465								
van der Waals	109.864									van der Waals	105.045								
electrostatic	-261.229									electrostatic	-248.714								
ΔEs	-112.579									ΔEs	-102.111								
	-11.838										-16.657								
	-100.988										-88.473								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Ala21
Final Orientation	LS2	RB2		LS2 LNH LB1 RS2 *-CH2-	RB2 RB2	RB2				Initial Orientation	RS1	LS1		RS2 2	LS1	LS1 LB2		LB2	
Total Energy	122.12									Total Energy	118.876								
van der Waals	112.056									van der Waals	106.614								
electrostatic	-274.468									electrostatic	-276.187								
ΔEs	-122.456									ΔEs	-125.7								
	-9.646										-15.088								
	-114.227										-115.946								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Ala21	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation	RS1	LB2		RB2 RS2 RB1 RNH	LB2 LB2	LB2		LB2		Initial Orientation				LB2 LB2	RB2				
Total Energy	125.774									Total Energy	152.234								
van der Waals	108.748									van der Waals	115.220								
electrostatic	-267.813									electrostatic	-245.883								
ΔEs	-118.802									ΔEs	-92.342								
	-12.954										-6.473								
	-107.572										-85.642								
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	
Final Orientation				CS LS1 2			RB1 RS1			Initial Orientation				RB1 CS RS1 CS RS2	CS		LB1		
Total Energy	207.682									Total Energy	171.397								
van der Waals	119.986									van der Waals	114.218								
electrostatic	-200.146									electrostatic	-229.993								
ΔEs	-36.894									ΔEs	-73.179								
	-1.716										-7.484								
	-39.905										-69.752								

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation				CS RB1 RS1 RS2	RS1		RB2 RS2		Final Orientation				CS LB1 LS2			LB2	
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	197.374 116.266 -207.208								Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	186.299 117.813 -215.419							
$\Delta E_s$	-47.202 -5.436 -46.967								$\Delta E_s$	-58.277 -3.889 -55.178							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation	RS1			RB1 RB1 RS1 RS2			LB1		Final Orientation	LS1 LS2			LB1 LS1 2			RB1 RS1	
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	157.162 113.685 -242.832								Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	169.272 119.2 -233.396							
$\Delta E_s$	-87.414 -8.017 -82.591								$\Delta E_s$	-75.304 -2.502 -73.155							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation	RS1 2			RS1 RS2			LB1		Final Orientation	LS1 2 LNH			LS1 2 LNH			RB1	
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	159.948 119.623 -243.4								Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	192.522 119.997 -211.935							
$\Delta E_s$	-84.628 -2.079 -83.159								$\Delta E_s$	-52.054 -1.705 -51.694							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation	RS1 2			RS2			LB1 CS		Final Orientation	LS2 LS2			LS2 LS2			RB1	
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	185.586 117.783 -218.594								Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	192.351 117.623 -211.533							
$\Delta E_s$	-58.99 -3.519 -58.353								$\Delta E_s$	-52.225 -4.079 -51.292							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation				LB1 LB1 LNH			RB2 RNH		Final Orientation				RB2 RS1 RNH			LB1	
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	190.876 115.247 -212.534								Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	203.322 114.455 -201.592							
$\Delta E_s$	-53.7 -6.455 -52.293								$\Delta E_s$	-41.254 -7.247 -41.351							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation	RS1			RB1 RS2 LB1			LB2 LS2 LB2		Final Orientation	LS1 RS2			LB2 LB1 RS2 -CH2-	LS2		RB1	
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	132.817 114.731 -265.211								Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	191.069 114.698 -212.215							
$\Delta E_s$	-111.759 -6.971 -104.97								$\Delta E_s$	-53.507 -7.004 -51.974							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation	LS2			LS2 LB1			RB2 RS2 RB2		Final Orientation	RS1 RS2			RS2 LB1 RB1 RS2 -CH2-			LB2 LB2	
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	174.215 116.574 -226.624								Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	119.08 113.42 -279.964							
$\Delta E_s$	-70.361 -5.128 -66.383								$\Delta E_s$	-125.496 -8.282 -119.723							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation	RS1 RS2			RB2 RB1 RS2 -CH2-			LB2		Final Orientation	LS2 LB2			LB2 LB2 LS1			RB2	
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	144.843 112.278 -251.977								Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	164.467 116.009 -235.955							
$\Delta E_s$	-99.733 -9.424 -91.736								$\Delta E_s$	-80.109 -5.693 -75.714							

Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F	Val12	Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation	LS2			LB1	RS2		RS2	RB2	LS2	Final Orientation				LS2	LS2		LS2	LB2
	LS1			LS2										LB1			LS1	LS2
				-CH2-														-CH2-
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	142.078									Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	189.807							
	106.753										109.772							
	-255.052										-208.218							
ΔEs	-102.498									ΔEs	-54.769							
	-14.949										-11.93							
	-94.811										-47.977							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation				RS1				LB1		Final Orientation				LS1				RB1
				RS1				LS1						LS1	LB1		CS	CS
				2										2				-CH2-
																		RB1
																		RS1
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	203.182									Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	198.741							
	116.061										111.434							
	-196.609										-199.89							
ΔEs	-41.394									ΔEs	-45.835							
	-5.641										-10.268							
	-36.368										-39.649							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation				LB1				RS1	RB2	Final Orientation				RB2				LB1
				LS1										RS1				LB1
				LB1										RS1				
				LNH										2				
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	195.371									Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	191.594							
	117.58										112.661							
	-206.786										-218.147							
ΔEs	-49.205									ΔEs	-52.982							
	-4.122										-9.041							
	-46.545										-57.906							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation				RB1				LB2		Final Orientation				LB2				RB1
				RS1										LB2				CS
				2														
				RNH														
				RB1														
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	190.747									Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	206.743							
	120.251										111.73							
	-212.815										-199.399							
ΔEs	-53.829									ΔEs	-37.833							
	-1.451										-9.972							
	-52.574										-39.158							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation				LS1				RB2		Final Orientation				RS1				LB2
				LS1										RS1	LB1			
				LNH										2				
				LB2										RB1				
				-CH2-										RNH				
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	185.155									Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	192.02							
	117.83										117.668							
	-217.566										-209.561							
ΔEs	-59.421									ΔEs	-52.556							
	-3.872										-4.034							
	-57.325										-49.32							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation	LS2			LS2				RB2		Final Orientation				RS2				LB2
				RS1										RS2				LS2
				LNH										2				LB2
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	175.851									Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	191.221							
	118.061										119.17							
	-227.405										-210.86							
ΔEs	-68.725									ΔEs	-53.355							
	-3.641										-2.532							
	-67.164										-50.619							
Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F		Initial Orientation	H	H	Q	K	L	V	F	F
Final Orientation				RB2				LB2		Final Orientation				LB2				RB2
				RS2										RS2				
				2										2				
Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	200.04									Total Energy van der Waals electrostatic	201.232							
	118.514										122.045							
	-203.77										-205.845							
ΔEs	-44.536									ΔEs	-43.344							
	-3.188										0.343							
	-43.529										-45.604							