# Supporting Information <br> for 

## Co-solvation effect on the binding mode of the $\alpha$-mangostin/ $\beta$ cyclodextrin inclusion complex

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## Additional data

## 1. Parameters of $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$-mangostin



Table S1: Atom types and partial charges of $\alpha$-mangostin $\left(\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{26} \mathrm{O}_{6}\right)$

| Name | Type | $\mathbf{q}$ | Name | Type | $\mathbf{q}$ | Name | Type | $\mathbf{q}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C13 | CT | -0.2454 | O5 | OH | -0.5789 | H5 | CA | -0.7066 |
| H24 | HC | 0.0774 | H5 | HO | 0.4428 | H1 | HA | 0.2645 |
| H26 | HC | 0.0774 | C17 | CA | -0.3465 | O6 | OH | -0.6283 |
| H7 | HC | 0.0774 | C18 | CT | 0.1081 | H6 | HO | 0.4754 |


| Name | Type | $\mathbf{q}$ | Name | Type | $\mathbf{q}$ | Name | Type | $\mathbf{q}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C12 | CM | 0.1632 | C19 | CM | -0.429 | C1 | CA | 0.5328 |
| C14 | CT | -0.2454 | C20 | CM | 0.1938 | O1 | OS | -0.3212 |
| H8 | HC | 0.0774 | C21 | CT | -0.3281 | C5 | CA | 0.4579 |
| H9 | HC | 0.0774 | H17 | HC | 0.0989 | C6 | CA | -0.612 |
| H10 | HC | 0.0774 | H18 | HC | 0.0989 | H2 | HA | 0.2511 |
| C11 | CM | -0.4282 | H19 | HC | 0.0989 | C7 | CA | 0.4545 |
| H4 | HA | 0.1947 | C22 | CT | -0.3281 | O3 | OH | -0.6202 |
| C10 | CT | 0.0641 | H20 | HC | 0.0989 | H3 | HO | 0.4765 |
| H23 | HC | 0.0763 | H21 | HC | 0.0989 | C8 | CA | 0.0344 |
| H25 | HC | 0.0763 | H22 | HC | 0.0989 | O4 | OS | -0.3791 |
| C9 | CA | 0.0394 | H16 | HA | 0.2054 | C15 | CT | 0.2301 |
| C4 | CA | -0.4221 | H14 | HC | 0.068 | H11 | HC | 0.0188 |
| C3 | C | 0.7764 | H15 | HC | 0.068 | H12 | HC | 0.0188 |
| O2 | O | -0.5921 | C23 | CA | 0.548 | H13 | HC | 0.0188 |
| C2 | CA | -0.5643 | C16 | CA | 0.4603 |  |  |  |

## 2. Inclusion complex of $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$-MGS/ $\boldsymbol{\beta}$-CD in a water solvation system

To explore the preferential orientation of $\alpha$-MGS inside the $\beta$-CD cavity, two conformations of inclusion complexes in water (complexes I and II in Figure S1) were generated and subjected to MD simulation for 20 ns . For inclusion complex I, the A ring of $\alpha$ MGS was placed close to the narrow rim of $\beta-\mathrm{CD}\left(\mathrm{O}^{6}\right.$ region). On the other hand, the $\alpha$-MGS in complex II was oriented in the opposite direction.

### 2.1 System stability

The RMSDs of the $\alpha$-MGS and $\beta-C D$, relative to their initial coordinates, were monitored along the 20 ns of MD simulation and are shown in Figure S1 (a,b). During the first

15 ns , the $\alpha$-MGS in complex I was positioned closer to the starting structure ( $0.79 \pm 0.31 \AA$ ) than that of complex II (1.2 $3 \pm 0.28 \dot{\mathrm{~A}})$. Meanwhile, the RMSD of $\beta-\mathrm{CD}$ in both complexes was steady at $\approx 1.3 \AA$. Since two systems apparently reached their equilibration states after 15 ns , the trajectories from the last 5 ns were extracted for structural and binding energy analysis.

## Complex I



Complex II


Figure S1: $(\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b})$ RMSD plots of $\alpha$-MGS and $\beta-\mathrm{CD}$ with respect to their initial structures, and (c,d) displacement plots of the $\alpha-$ MGS rings A-C versus simulation time for the inclusion complexes I and II. The last snapshot structures are depicted above the graphs, where the light blue shade represents the $\beta$-CD cavity.

### 2.2 Displacement of $\alpha$-mangostin

From the displacement analysis in Figure S1 (c-d), the $\alpha$-MGS in complex I fluctuated inside the $\beta$-CD cavity while its inclusion in complex II is more stable with only slight oscillation. The $\alpha$-MGS in complex II is also located deeper in the cavity and more towards the narrow rim of $\beta-\mathrm{CD}$, as seen by the displacements of the A - and C -rings (approximately at 0.9 and $-4.7 \AA$, respectively).

### 2.3 Binding energy analysis

MM-PBSA binding free energies of the $\alpha-$ MGS/ $\beta$-CD complexes I and II are presented in Table S1. It can be seen that the binding affinities of the two forms are likely comparable ( $\Delta G_{\text {bind }}$ of $\approx 9 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mol}$ ).

Table S2: MM-PBSA binding free energy and the energy components ( $\mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mol}$ ) for the $\alpha$ MGS/ $\beta$-CD complexes I and II

|  | Complex I | Complex II |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\Delta E_{\text {ele }}$ | $-5.33 \pm 3.34$ | $-4.61 \pm 2.67$ |
| $\Delta E_{\text {vdW }}$ | $-38.96 \pm 2.86$ | $-37.04 \pm 1.93$ |
| $\Delta E_{\text {MM }}$ | $-44.29 \pm 4.16$ | $-41.65 \pm 3.22$ |
| $\Delta G_{\text {nsolv }}$ | -4.68 $\pm 0.19$ | $-4.53 \pm 0.17$ |
| $\Delta G_{\text {psolv }}$ | $27.55 \pm 4.26$ | $23.83 \pm 3.80$ |
| $\Delta G_{\text {solv }}$ | $22.87 \pm 4.22$ | $19.30 \pm 3.72$ |
| $\Delta G_{\text {psolv }}+\mathrm{E}_{\text {ele }}$ | $18.94 \pm 2.14$ | $19.22 \pm 3.00$ |
| $\Delta G_{\text {nsolv }}+\mathrm{E}_{\text {vdW }}$ | $-43.64 \pm 1.53$ | $-41.57 \pm 2.10$ |
| -T $\Delta S$ | $12.56 \pm 2.72$ | $13.29 \pm 2.72$ |
| $\Delta G_{\text {bind (1)+(2) + (3) }}$ | $-8.86 \pm 3.25$ | $-9.06 \pm 2.87$ |

## 3. Solvation accessibility

### 3.1 Solvation accessibility in pure water or ethanol

The RDF plots of the oxygen atoms of $\alpha$-MGS complexed with $\beta-\mathrm{CD}$ in pure water, and ethanol, are presented in Figure S2. The first solvation shell in water solvation system appears around $2 \AA$ from oxygen atoms $\left(\mathrm{O}^{2}, \mathrm{O}^{3}, \mathrm{O}^{4}\right.$ and $\left.\mathrm{O}^{6}\right)$ of the encapsulated $\alpha$-MGS. Differentially, a much lower accessibility of ethanol is observed in the same solvation shell around the $\mathrm{O}^{3}$ and $\mathrm{O}^{2}$ atoms.


Figure S2: Radial distribution function (RDF, $g(r)$ ) of (a) ethanol, and (b) water oxygens towards the ligand oxygens $\left(\mathrm{O}^{1}-\mathrm{O}^{6}\right)$ of $\alpha-\mathrm{MGS} / \beta-\mathrm{CD}$ complex.

### 3.2 Solvation accessibility in co-solvent

Table S3: Integration number, $n(r)$, of the first $(2.2 \AA)$ and second solvation shells $(3.1 \AA)$ around the heteroatoms of $\alpha$-MGS in each system

| System | $n(r)$ of water molecules |  | $n(r)$ of ethanol molecules |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} 1^{\text {st }} \text { solvation } \\ \text { shell } \end{gathered}$ | $2^{\text {nd }}$ solvation shell | $\begin{aligned} & 1^{\text {st }} \text { solvation } \\ & \text { shell } \end{aligned}$ | $2^{\text {nd }}$ solvation shell |
| Water |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{O}^{1}$ | 0.0 | 0.0 | - | - |
| $\mathrm{O}^{2}$ | 0.2 | 0.9 | - | - |
| $\mathrm{O}^{3}$ | 0.7 | 4.9 | - | - |
| $\mathrm{O}^{4}$ | 0.4 | 2.6 | - | - |
| $\mathrm{O}^{5}$ | 0.0 | 0.2 | - | - |
| $\mathrm{O}^{6}$ | 0.7 | 4.1 | - | - |
| 5 \% v/v Ethanol |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{O}^{1}$ | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{2}$ | 0.2 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{3}$ | 0.7 | 4.6 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{4}$ | 0.4 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{5}$ | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{6}$ | 0.6 | 3.5 | 0.0 | 0.4 |
| $15 \% \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$ Ethanol |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{O}^{1}$ | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{2}$ | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{3}$ | 0.6 | 3.7 | 0.0 | 1.0 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{4}$ | 0.2 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.6 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{5}$ | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{6}$ | 0.4 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 0.7 |
| $30 \% \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$ Ethanol |  |  |  |  |


|  | $\boldsymbol{n}(\boldsymbol{r})$ of water molecules |  | $\boldsymbol{n}(\boldsymbol{r})$ of ethanol molecules |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| System | $\mathbf{1}^{\text {st }}$ solvation <br> shell | $\mathbf{2}^{\text {nd }}$ solvation <br> shell | $\mathbf{1}^{\text {st }}$ solvation <br> shell | $\mathbf{2}^{\text {nd }}$ solvation <br> shell |
| $\mathrm{O}^{1}$ | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 1.5 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{2}$ | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{3}$ | 0.6 | 3.2 | 0.1 | 1.8 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{4}$ | 0.2 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 1.0 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{5}$ | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{6}$ | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.6 |
| $\mathbf{6 0 ~ \% ~ v / v ~ E t h a n o l ~}$ |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{O}^{1}$ | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 1.5 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{2}$ | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.3 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{3}$ | 0.4 | 2.5 | 0.2 | 2.2 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{4}$ | 0.1 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 1.0 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{5}$ | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{6}$ | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.3 |
| Ethanol |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{O}^{1}$ | - | - | 0.0 | 1.7 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{2}$ | - | - | 0.1 | 1.2 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{3}$ | - | - | 0.3 | 4.1 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{4}$ | - | - | 0.0 | 2.0 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{5}$ | - | - | 0.0 | 0.7 |
| $\mathrm{O}^{6}$ | - | - | 0.0 | 0.9 |

