

## **Supporting Information**

**for**

# **Aggregation behaviour of amphiphilic cyclodextrins: the nucleation stage by atomistic molecular dynamics simulations**

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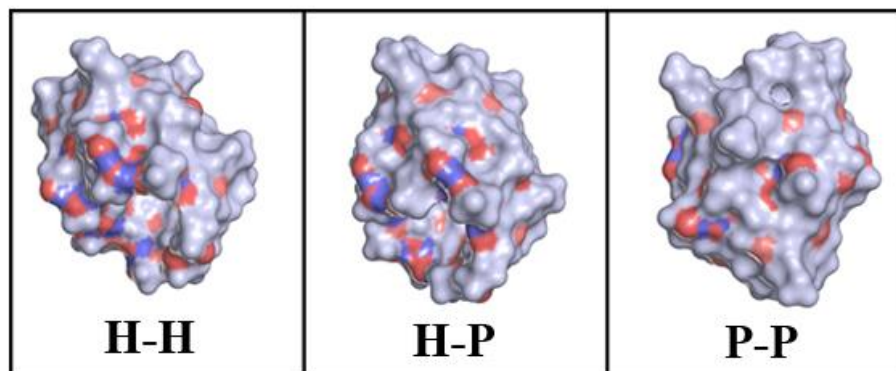
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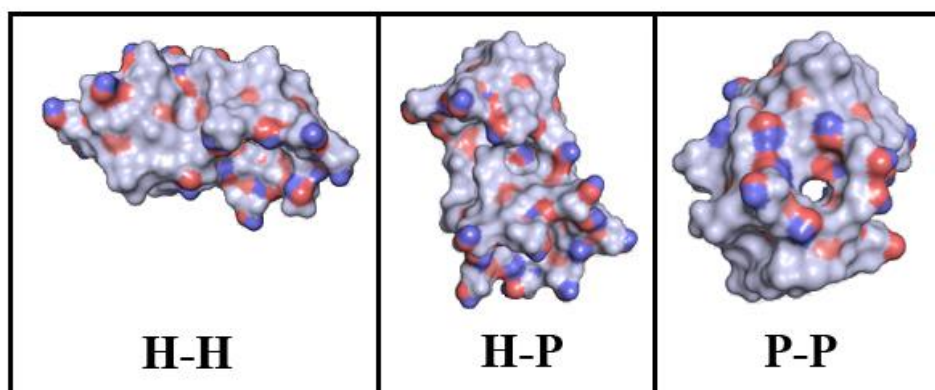
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**Pictures of the surface accessible to the solvent for the aggregates**

**of two and four aCD molecules**

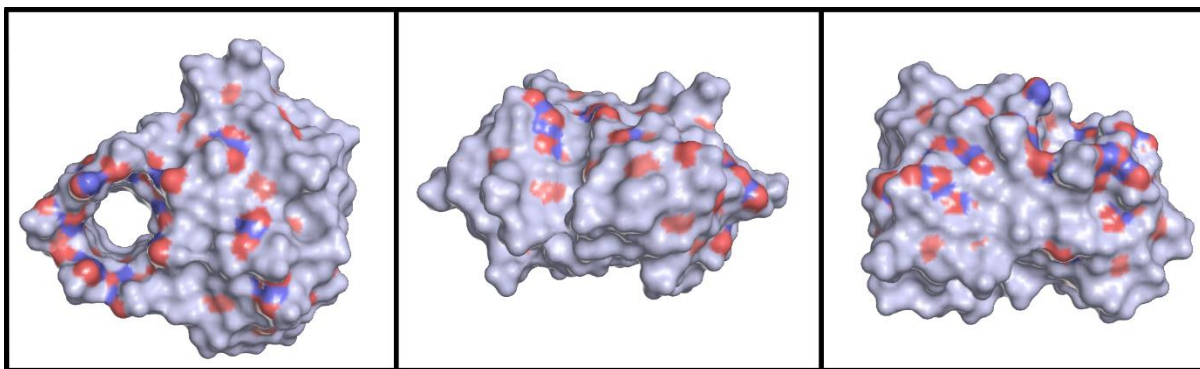


*in vacuo*

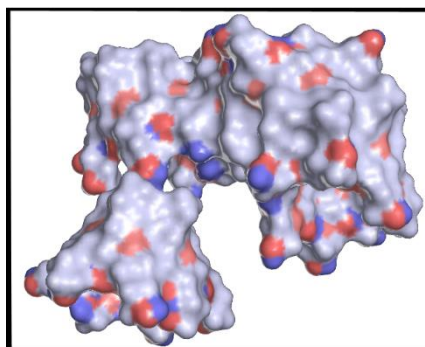


**in water**

**Figure S1:** The surface accessible to the solvent, considered as a spherical probe with the radius of 1.4 Å, for the aggregates of two molecules (the electrically neutral part of the molecule is in grey, the negative areas of the oxygens are in red and the positive ones of the hydroxyl hydrogens in blue as in Figure 1).



**Figure S2:** The surface accessible to the solvent for the aggregate of four molecules in vacuo (the colour code is the same as in Figure S1 and in Figure 1). Note the hydrophobic side in the lower part of the aggregates (grey colour) and the polar side in the upper part (red and blue colours).



**Figure S3:** The surface accessible to the solvent for the aggregate of four molecules in water (the colour code is the same as in Figure S1 and in Figure 1).