

Supporting Information
for
Molecular recognition of *N*-acetyltryptophan
enantiomers by β -cyclodextrin

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**Experimental data containing geometry data of the β -CD hosts; H-bonding
interactions in the β -CD dimer; NMR data (Job plots and 2D maps of the observed
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Table S1: Geometrical parameters of the β -CD in the β -CD–L-NAcTrp complex

Glucose	D ^a (Å)	ϕ^b (°)	d ^c (Å)	Tilt Angles ^d (°)	D3 ^e (Å)	Tortion Angles(°) O5 _n -C5 _n -C6 _n -O6 _n
β-CD Molecule A						
G1	4.294 (4)	128.0 (1)	-0.036 (3)	5.0 (2)	2.746 (6)	-67.1 (5)
G2	4.300 (5)	128.1 (1)	0.005 (3)	9.4 (2)	2.718 (5)	-61.2 (6)
G3	4.358 (6)	128.78 (9)	0.021 (2)	5.2 (1)	2.666 (5)	-65.7 (5)
G4	4.331 (5)	129.9 (1)	-0.011 (3)	7.2 (2)	2.727 (5)	-58.5 (5)
G5	4.280 (5)	126.8 (1)	-0.011 (3)	7.8 (2)	2.756 (5)	-59.1 (6)
G6	4.374 (6)	128.5 (1)	0.002 (2)	5.6 (1)	2.720 (5)	-66.5 (4)
G7	4.316 (5)	129.9 (1)	0.030 (2)	9.8 (2)	2.795 (5)	-69.3 (7)
β-CD Molecule B						
G1	4.239 (5)	131.2 (1)	-0.014 (2)	11.9 (1)	2.767 (5)	-69.1 (6)
G2	4.324 (4)	123.9 (1)	0.006 (3)	8.6 (1)	2.765 (6)	-65.3 (5)
G3	4.317 (5)	128.5 (1)	-0.006 (3)	9.1 (2)	2.804 (5)	45.4 (1.2) -77.3 (7)
G4	4.410 (5)	132.3 (1)	0.004 (3)	5.7 (2)	2.748 (5)	-63.8 (5)
G5	4.280 (5)	128.3 (1)	0.007 (3)	5.4 (2)	2.656 (6)	-55.0 (6)
G6	4.273 (5)	123.3 (1)	-0.020 (3)	6.4 (1)	2.732 (5)	62.2 (6)
G7	4.467 (6)	132.4 (1)	0.023 (2)	6.7 (2)	2.771 (5)	-69.4 (5)

^a O-4_n...O-4(n+1); ^b O-4(n-1)...O-4_n...O-4(n+1) angles. ^c Deviations (Å) from the least-squares optimum plane of O-4_n atoms. ^d Tilt angles between the optimum O-4_n plane and the mean planes through atoms O-4(n-1), C-1_n, C-4_n, O-4_n. ^e Intramolecular H-bonds between O-3_n...O-2(n+1). ^f Orientation of the C-6_n-O-6_n bond.

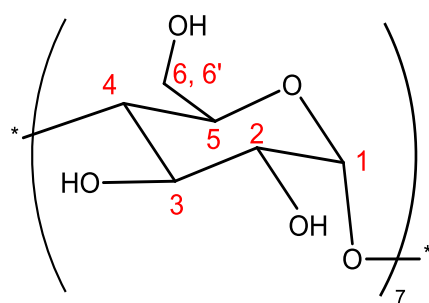
Table S2: Intermolecular hydrogen bond distances between the O3 atoms of the β -CDs in the dimer of the β -CD–L-NAcTrp complex

O _A ...O _B	Distance (Å)	C _A -O _A ...O _B (°)	O _A ...O _B -C _B (°)
O31A...O37B	2.713 (5)	117.7 (3)	118.8 (3)
O32A...O36B	2.802 (5)	120.1 (3)	119.0 (3)
O33A...O35B	2.754 (5)	118.5 (3)	119.0 (3)
O34A...O34B	2.735 (5)	119.6 (3)	119.3 (3)
O35A...O33B	2.778 (5)	120.9 (3)	115.6 (2)
O36A...O32B	2.730 (5)	121.3 (3)	111.9 (3)
O37A...O31B	2.780 (5)	117.1 (3)	119.3 (3)

Table S3: Geometrical parameters of the β -CD in the β -CD–D-NAcTrp complex.

Gn	D ^a (Å)	Φ^b (°)	D ^c (Å)	D ₃ ^d (Å)	Tilt angles ^e (°)	Torsion Angles(°) O5 _n –C5 _n – C6 _n –O6 _n
β-CD						
G1	4.308(5)	126.6(1)	0.044(3)	2.914(6)	25.8(3)	71(1)
G2	4.445(5)	126.8(1)	-0.203(3)	2.914(6)	9.0(2)	-63.5(5)
G3	4.454(5)	132.5(1)	-0.002(3)	2.785(6)	10.4(3)	-63.0(6) -44(2)
G4	4.223(5)	127.1(1)	0.262(3)	2.780(5)	11.8(4)	-72.3(5)
G5	4.323(6)	124.6(1)	-0.159(3)	2.901(6)	20.1(3)	65.0(6)
G6	4.522(6)	133.1(1)	-0.163(4)	2.864(6)	Out 5.0(2)	-64.8(5)
G7	4.352(6)	127.4(1)	0.220(3)	2.936(7)	18.7(4)	-65.1(9) 56(1)

^aO-4_n...O-4(_n+1); ^bO-4(_n-1)...O-4_n...O-4(_n+1) angles. ^cDeviations (Å) from the least-squares optimum plane of O-4_n atoms. ^dIntramolecular H-bonds between O-3_n...O-2(_n+1). ^eTilt angles between the optimum O-4_n plane and the mean planes through atoms O-4(_n-1), C-1_n, C-4_n, O-4_n; ^fOrientation of the C-6_n-O-6_n bond.



β -CD

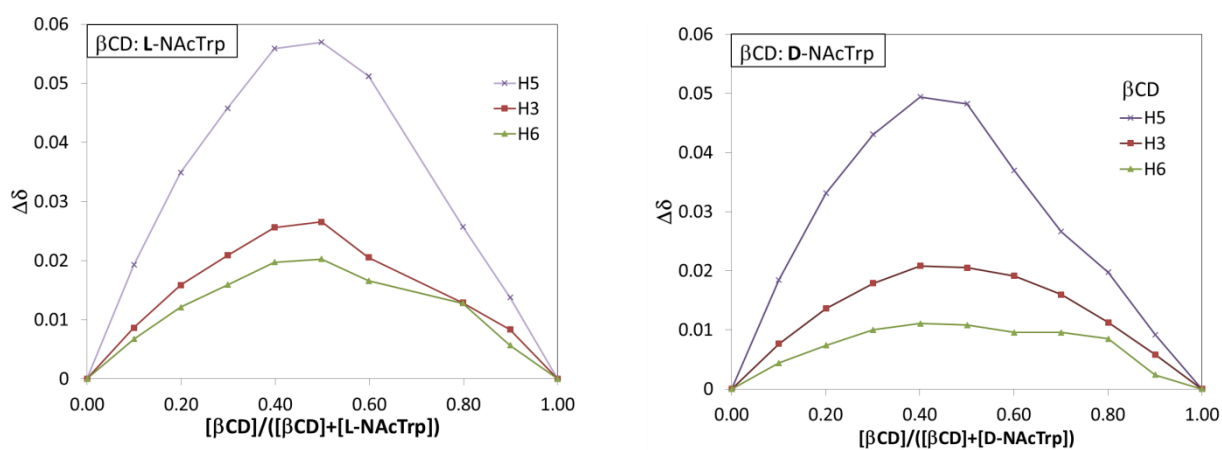


Figure S1: Job plots of ^1H NMR signals of β -CD upon interaction with L-NAcTrp (left) and D-NAcTrp (right).

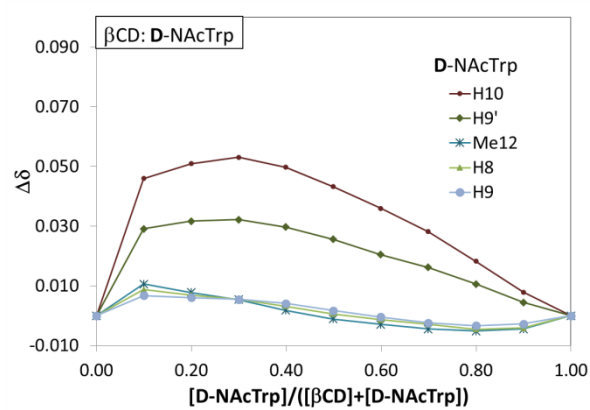
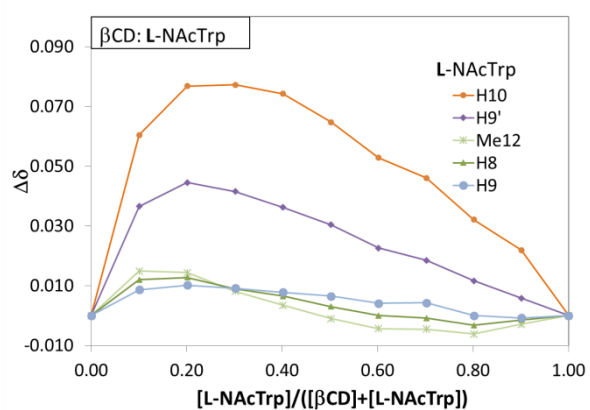
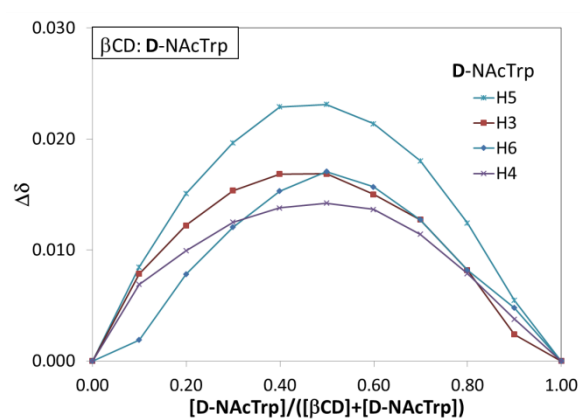
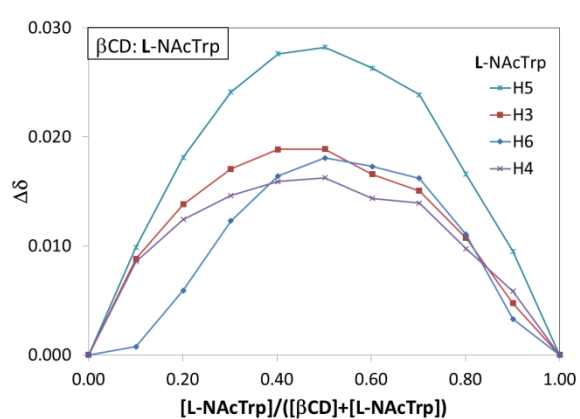
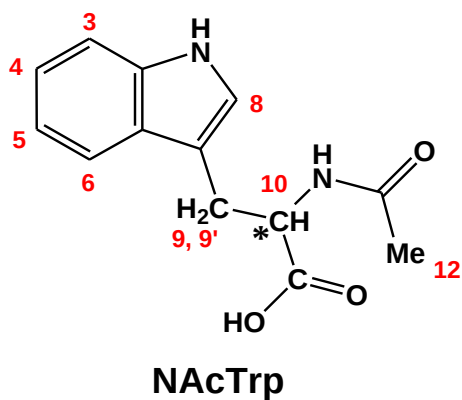


Figure S2: Job plots of ^1H NMR signals of L-NAcTrp (left) and D-NAcTrp (right) upon interaction with β -CD.

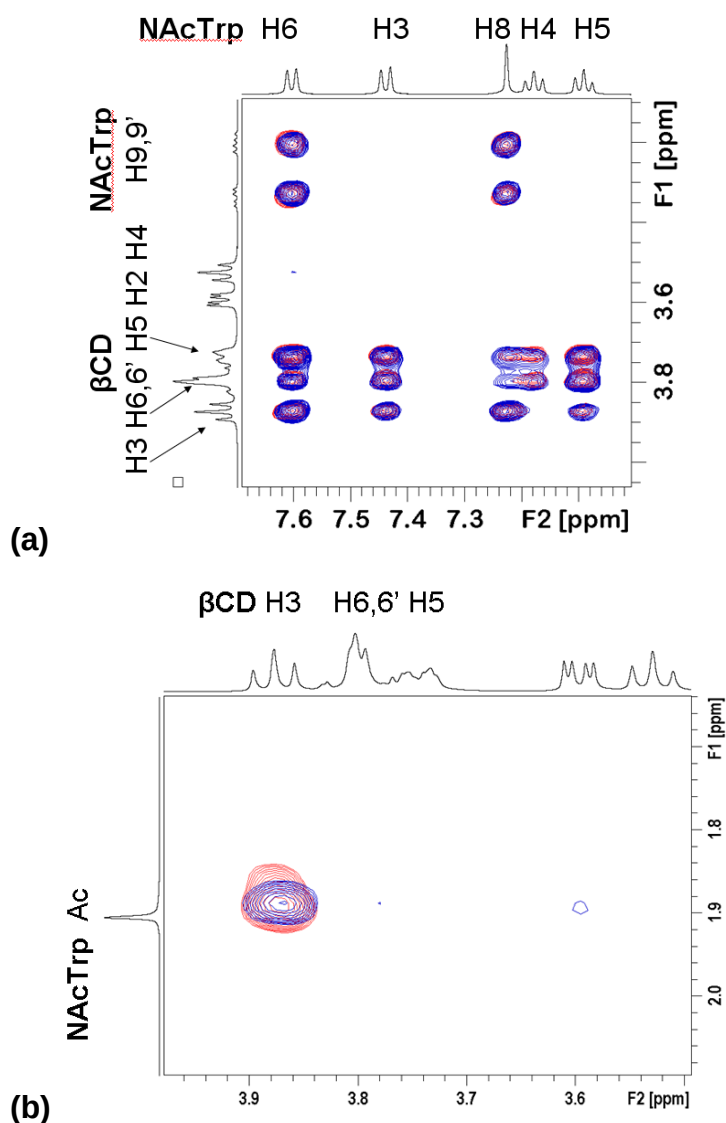
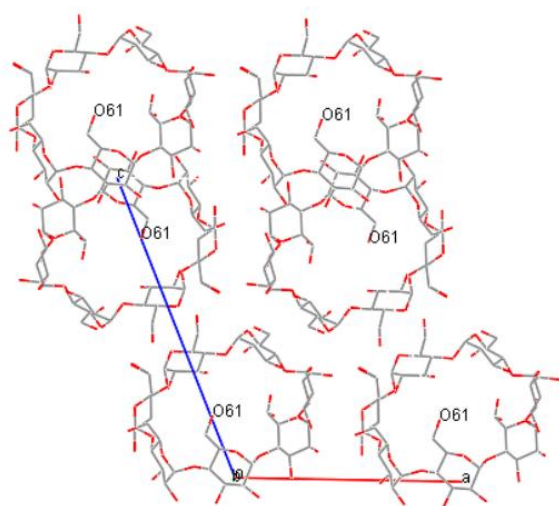
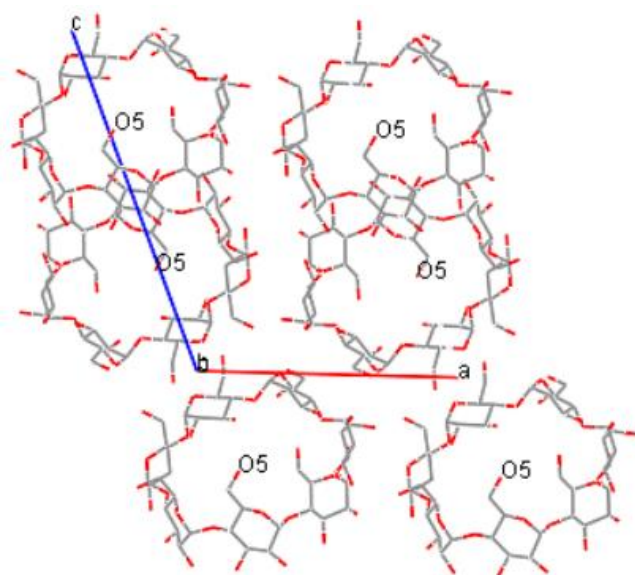
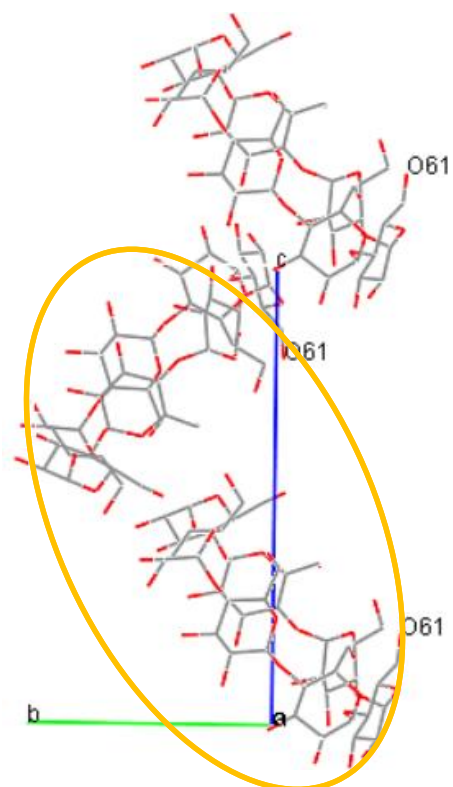


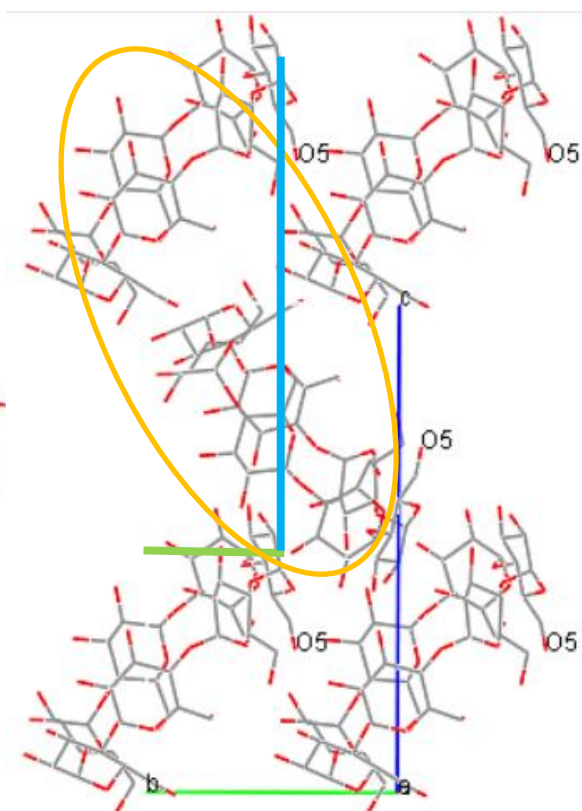
Figure S3: 2D maps of the observed dipolar, through space host–guest interactions (D-NAcTrp = red contours; L-NAcTrp = blue contours) overlaid so that the strong intramolecular cross-peaks between H9,9' with H6 and H8 in each NAcTrp enantiomer are of equal intensity. (a) The differences observed concern through space interactions between guest protons H8 and H4 and host H6,6' and H5 only, all other interactions being practically identical. (b) The acetate group shows through space dipolar interaction with β -CD H3 only, i.e., the NAc group is located exclusively near the wider secondary side of the host.



A



B



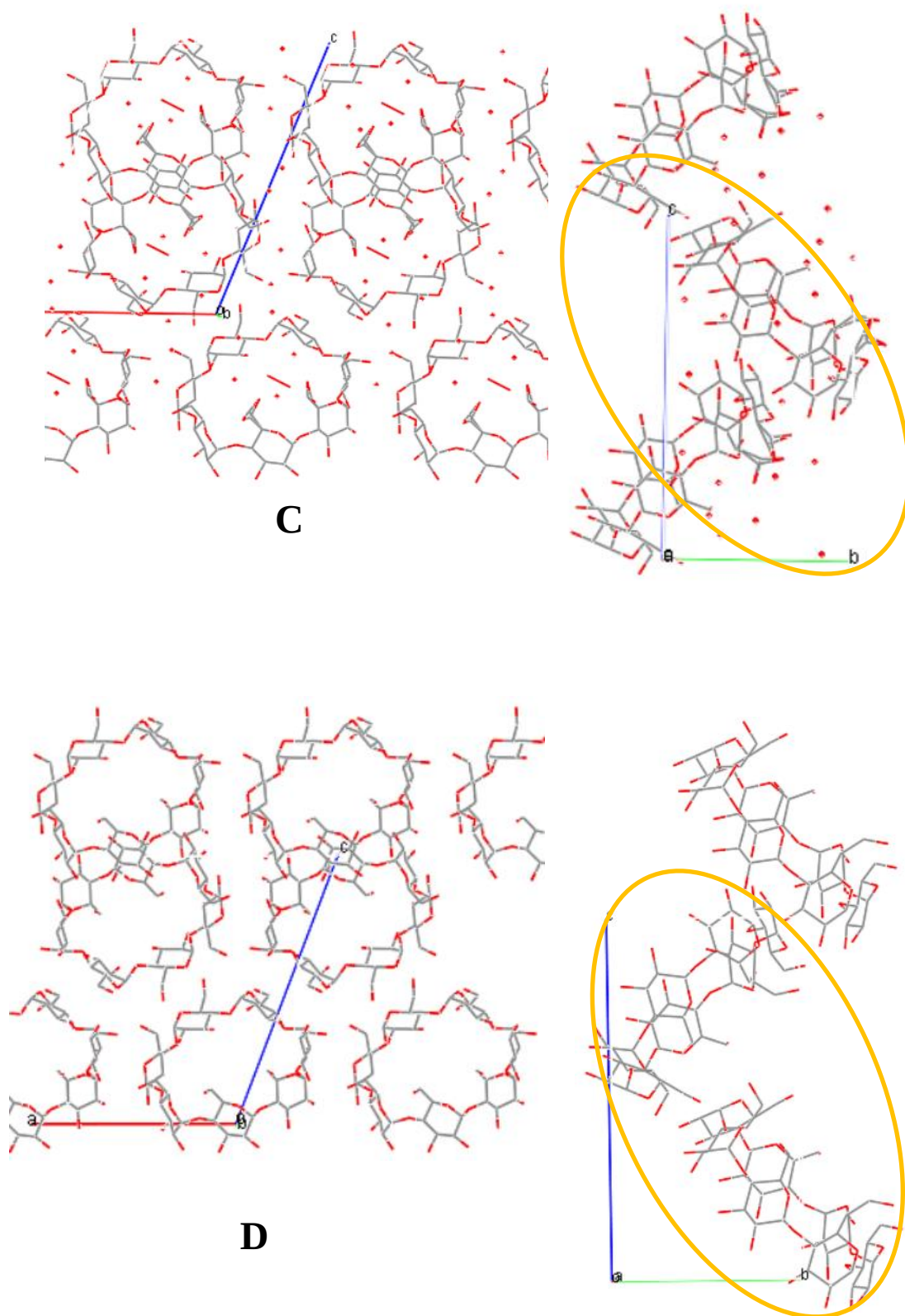


Figure S4: Packing¹ of monomeric β -CD complexes (*left*, in the ac plane and *right* in the bc plane). (A) “ β -CD-D-NAcTrp”;¹ (B) β -CD-Hydrate clathrate (BUVSEQ01)² after transformation of axes from **abc** to **$c(-b)a$** . Note that if the origin in BUVSEQ01 is moved by $1/2c$ and by $0.429b$ (new axes in bold), its coordinates would almost superpose with these of “ β -CD-D-NAcTrp”;¹ (C) β -CD-Hydrate (OXAGUQ)³: The structure is the same as BUVSEQ01; (D) β -CD-Hydrate (GAGPOA)⁴. The structure superposes on “ β -CD-D-NAcTrp”¹ after inversion of its coordinates.

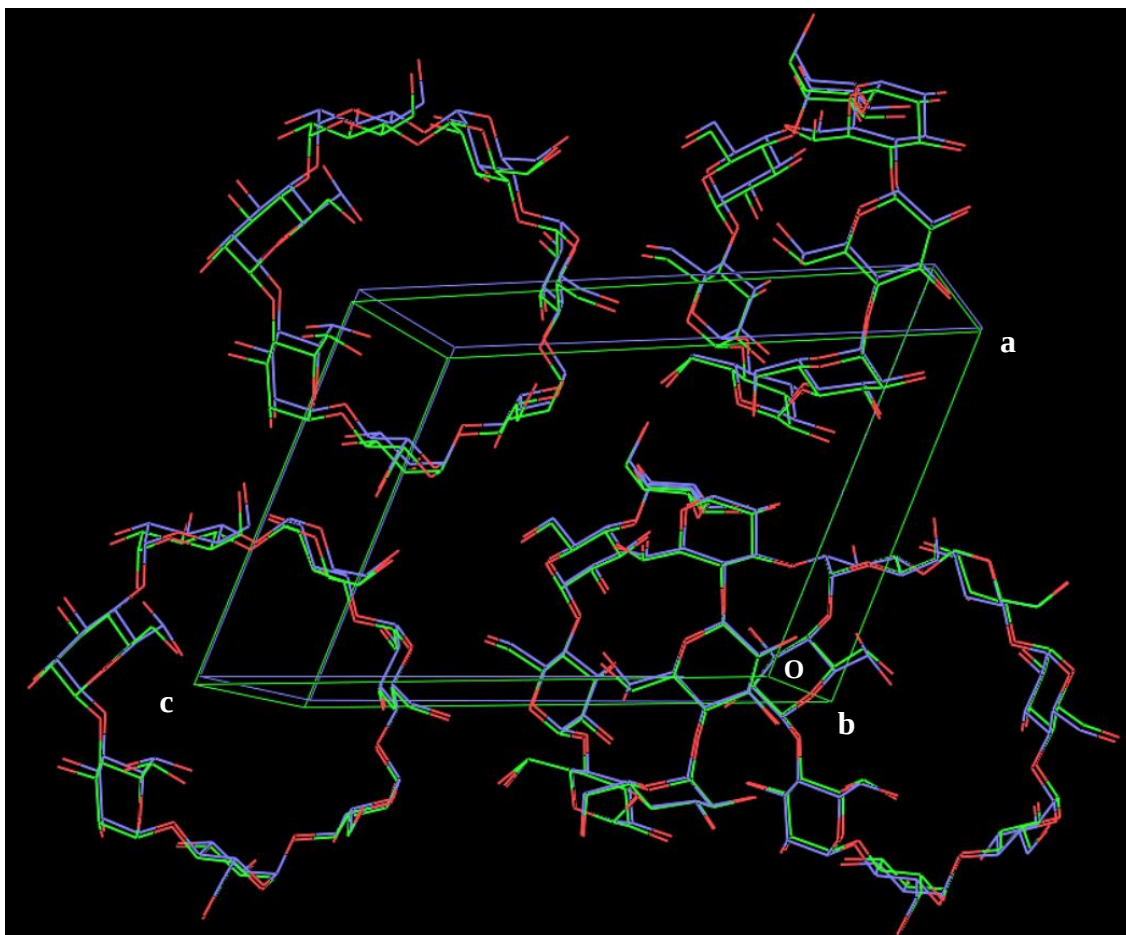
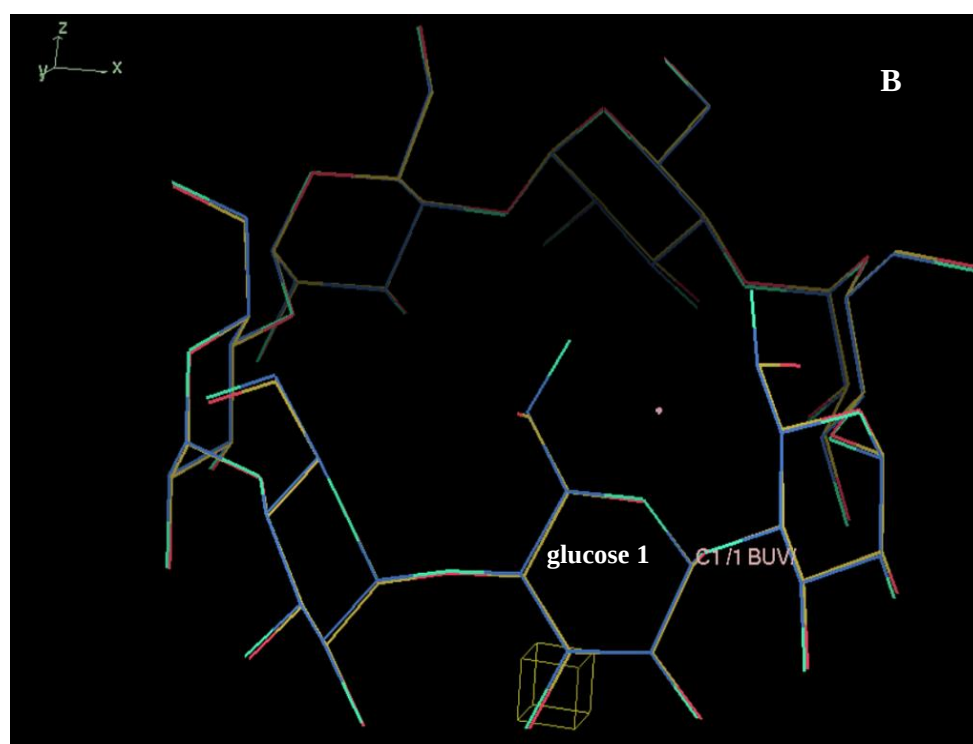
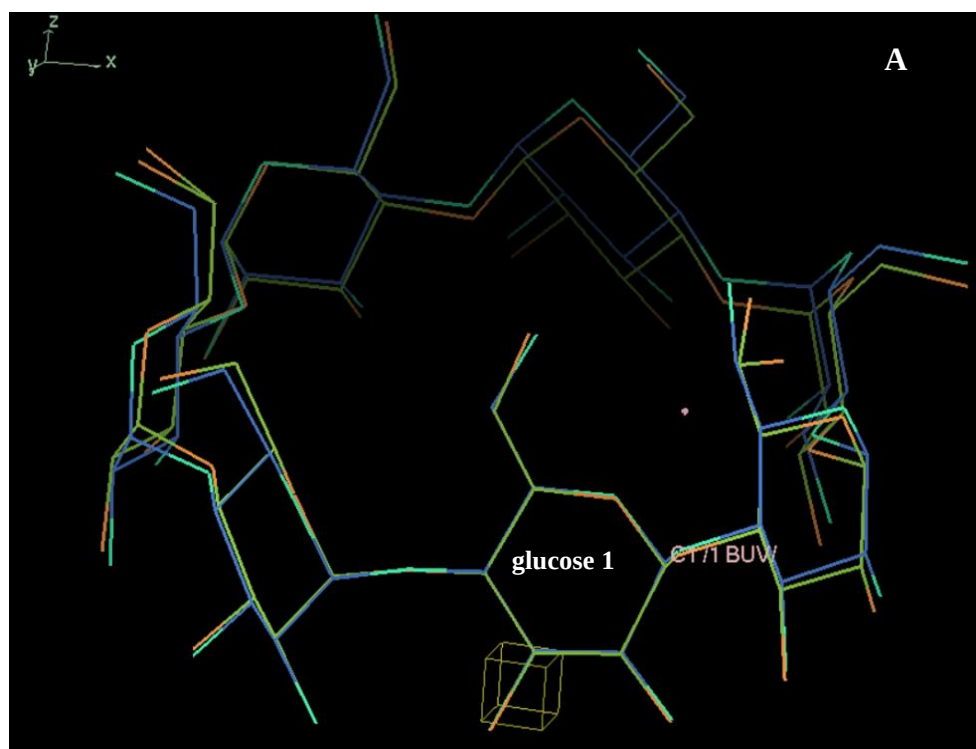


Figure S5: Superposition of β -CD macrocycles in the asymmetric unit of “ β -CD–D-NAcTrp” and β -CD–Hydrate clathrate (BUVSEQ01)² after (i) transformation of coordinates of BUVSEQ01 **abc** to **c(-b)a** and (ii) change of origin of by $1/2\mathbf{c}$ and by $0.429\mathbf{b}$. The two structures do not superposes exactly. The structures were rendered in PyMOL.⁵



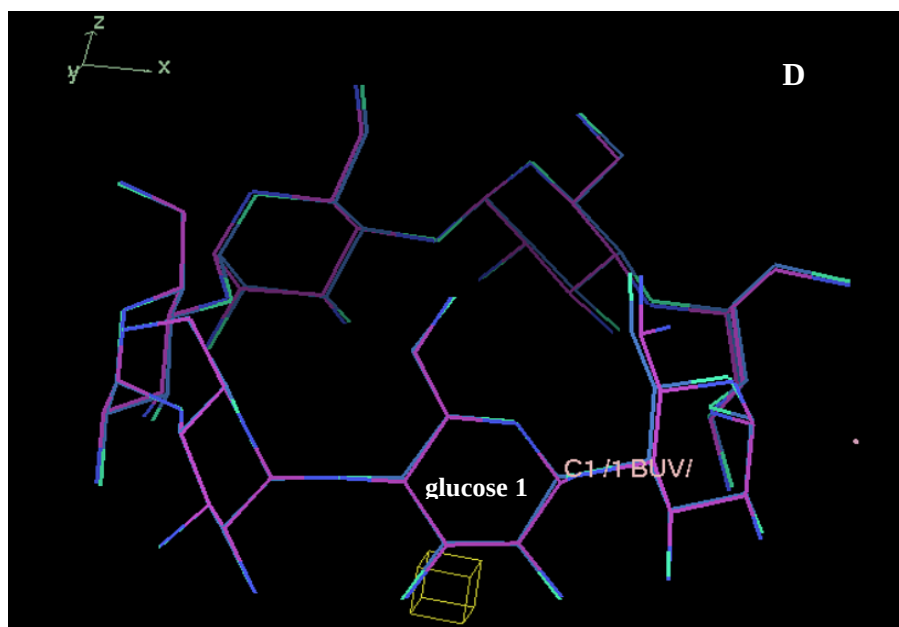
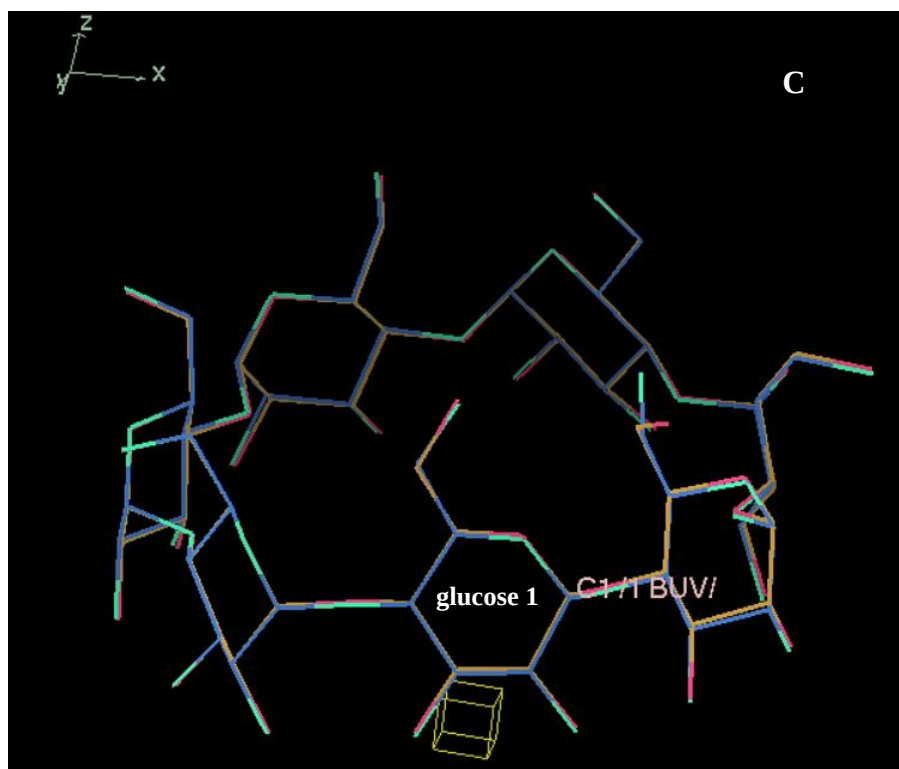


Figure S6: Superposition (rendered in Coot⁶) of one β -CD glucopyranose unit (glucose 1) in pairs of similar structures: (A) present structure “ β -CD-D-NAcTrp” (green) and β -CD-Hydrate BUVSEQ01² (blue); (B) β -CD-Hydrates BUVSEQ01 (blue) and GAGPOA⁴ (yellow); (C) β -CD-Hydrates BUVSEQ01 (blue) and OXAFUQ (orange)³; (D) β -CD-Hydrate BUVSEQ01 (blue) and β -CD-glutaric acid⁷ (magenta). It is worth noting that in (A) the structures do not superpose exactly, whereas in (B), (C) and (D) they superpose completely.

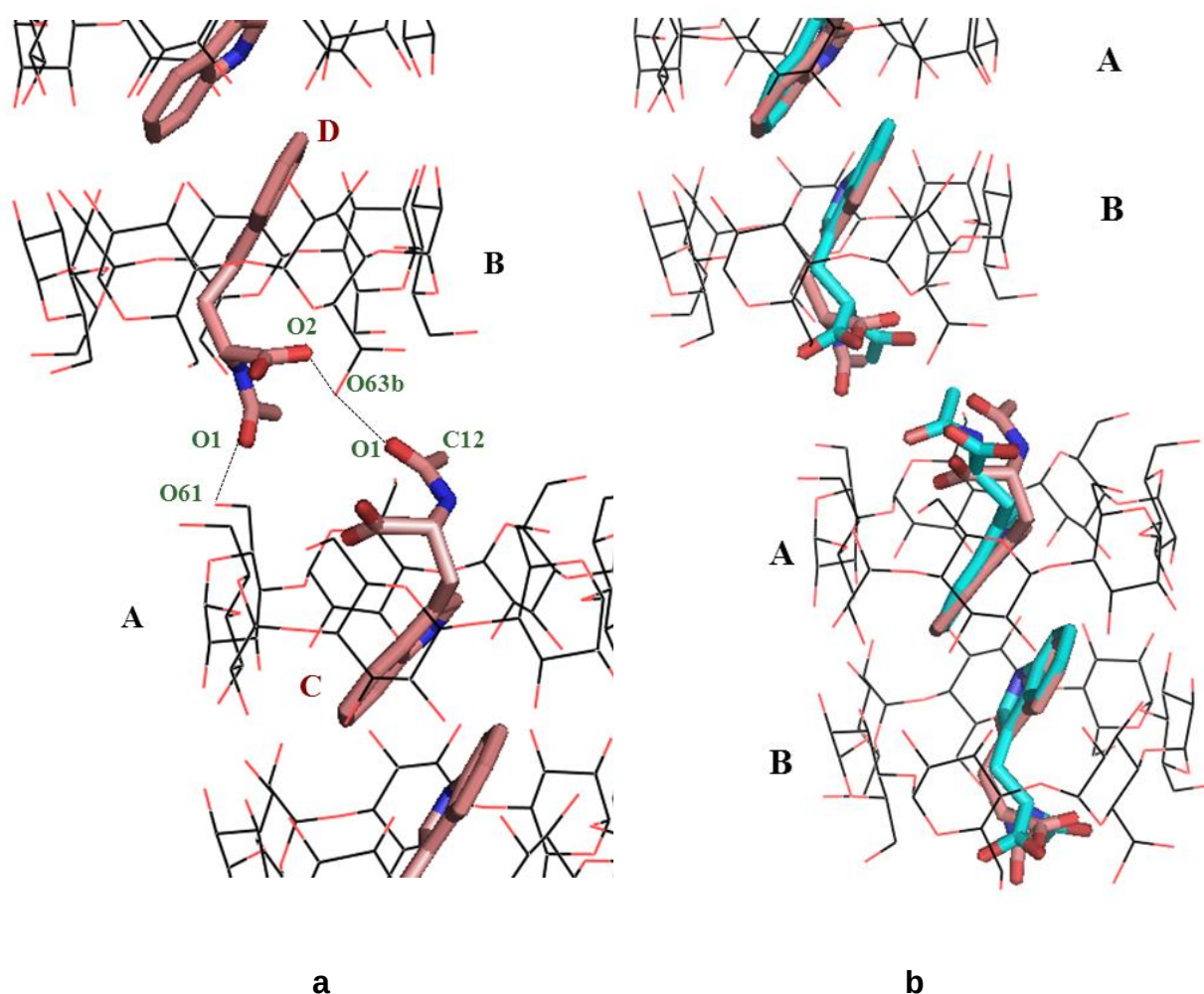


Figure S7: Modeling studies: (a) The D-NAcTrp inside the dimer structure of the β -CD-L-NAcTrp; (b) superposition of the L-NAcTrp (cyan) and D-NAcTrp (pink) inside the β -CD dimer. The structures were rendered in PyMOL.⁵

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