

## Supporting Information Available

The files are provided in the Supporting Information:

### **Prepared protein-ligand crystal structures** `xtal_prepped.tar.gz`

Contains the reference protein-ligand crystal structures that have been aligned and prepared through the ‘Protein Preparation Wizard’ tool.

### **RMSD analysis:** `scripts.tar.gz`

Contains the scripts `RMSD-analysis.tcl` and `plot-RMSD.py` used for RMSD analysis. A `README.txt` file has been provided which details how to generate the RMSD/time and Colormap plots found in the paper. VMD and the trajectories from the MD simulations are required to perform the analysis. Only trajectories for benzene-nhexylbenzene and benzene-nhexylbenzene simulations have been included and are within the archived data files.

### **FEP data:** `C-I_default.tar.gz`, `C-I_pPREST.tar.gz`, `C-O_default.tar.gz`, `C-O_pPREST.tar.gz`, `EXP_default.tar.gz`, and `EXP_pPREST.tar.gz`

Inside each archived directory contains directories named by the ligands involved in the transformation and the protein conformation from which the simulations were started with. For example, ‘`C-O_default/benzene-nhexylbenzene_C/`’ corresponds to the FEP calculation of benzene to n-hexylbenzene, starting from the protein closed state, while using the default protocol. Within each FEP calculation directory are the input `.mae` files containing the protein/ligand structures, the simulation configuration `.msj` files, and a `README.txt`. The `README.txt` file contains information about each FEP calculation such as the protein starting conformation, ligands involved, forcefields used, set label, free energies corresponding to the complex/solvent simulations, and the final calculated free energy. The output data for each FEP calculation is contained within the ‘`*_fep1/`’, where inside the ‘`*_complex_12/`’ or ‘`*_solvent_13/`’ folders are all output files used to calculate the free energies. The final calculated free energy is writ-

ten in a ‘result’ file, where extended simulations will contain two result files for the calculated free energy when analyzing the 0-5ns time frame and the 15-25ns or 40-55ns time frame.

For FEP calculations where an RMSD analysis was performed in the paper (ex. ‘C-0\_default/benzene’) an ‘RMSD-analysis/’ folder is provided. Inside are ‘replica#.rmsd’ files that contain the set of RMSDs relative to each protein conformation over each replica’s trajectory. The resulting RMSD/time and Colormap plots can be found inside the ‘RMSD-analysis/plots/’ folders. The trajectories are also provided inside the output ‘\*\_fep1/’ folder within the ‘\*\_complex\_10/’ directory. C-0\_pREST.tar.gz has been split due to file size limitations. It can be rejoined by executing ‘cat C-0\_pREST.tar.gz.\* > C-0\_pREST.tar.gz’

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