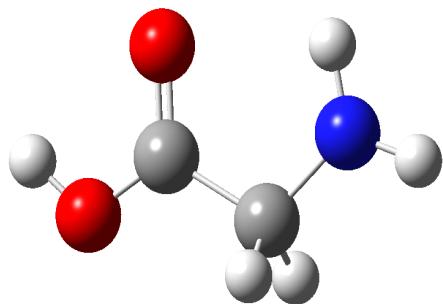
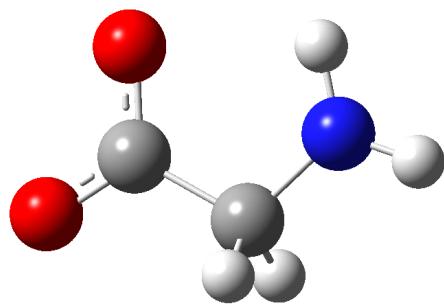


## Supplementary information

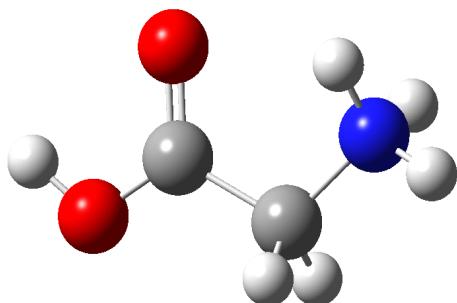
Fig. S1



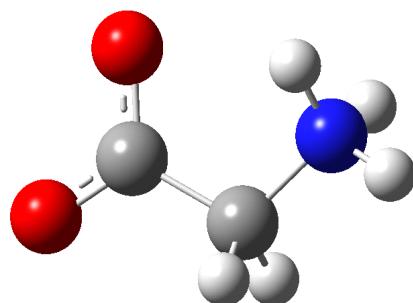
(a) Gly (N)



(b) Gly (D)



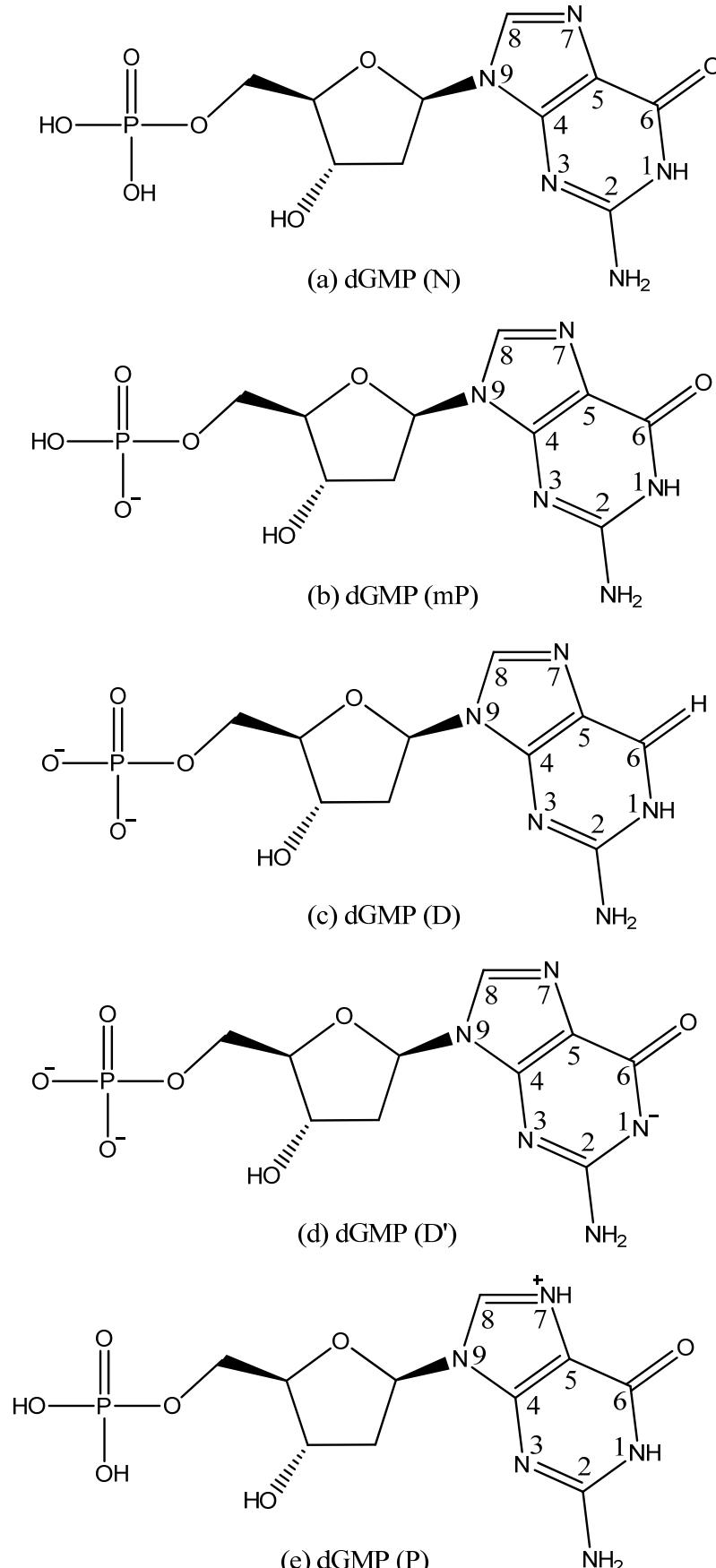
(c) Gly (P)



(d) Gly (Z)

**Figure S1:** (a) Neutral Glycine, Gly (N); (b) Deprotonated Glycine, Gly (D); (c) Protonated Glycine, Gly (P); (d) Zwitterionic Glycine, Gly (Z).

Fig. S2



**Figure S2:** Different protonic states of dGMP **(a)** Neutral, dGMP (N); **(b)** Monoprotonated, dGMP (mP); **(c)** Deprotonated, dGMP (D); **(d)** Deprotonation of the guanosine moiety at N1 site, dGMP (D'); **(e)** Protonation of the guanosine moiety at N7 site, dGMP (P).

**Table S1. Calculated bond lengths (Å) for dGMP, (dGMP + 1Gly + 5W) and (dGMP + 2Gly + 5W) obtained using B3LYP method employing 6-311+G(d,p) basis set**

Bond length	dGMP	dGMP+1Gly +5W	dGMP+2Gly +5W
O <sub>19</sub> —C <sub>18</sub>	1.213	1.232	1.253
C <sub>17</sub> —C <sub>18</sub>	1.437	1.425	1.413
N <sub>20</sub> —C <sub>18</sub>	1.440	1.411	1.394
N <sub>20</sub> —C <sub>22</sub>	1.368	1.378	1.380
N <sub>26</sub> —C <sub>22</sub>	1.308	1.335	1.337
C <sub>27</sub> —N <sub>26</sub>	1.356	1.353	1.348
C <sub>27</sub> —C <sub>17</sub>	1.392	1.393	1.396
C <sub>17</sub> —N <sub>16</sub>	1.379	1.384	1.382
N <sub>16</sub> —C <sub>14</sub>	1.304	1.304	1.302
C <sub>14</sub> —N <sub>13</sub>	1.390	1.382	1.387
N <sub>13</sub> —C <sub>27</sub>	1.375	1.382	1.381
C <sub>14</sub> —H <sub>15</sub>	1.078	1.076	1.076
N <sub>20</sub> —H <sub>21</sub>	1.012	1.022	1.026
C <sub>22</sub> —N <sub>23</sub>	1.376	1.338	1.333
N <sub>23</sub> —H <sub>24</sub>	1.009	1.020	1.021
N <sub>23</sub> —H <sub>25</sub>	1.009	1.021	1.022
N <sub>13</sub> —C <sub>11</sub>	1.446	1.460	1.467
C <sub>11</sub> —O <sub>10</sub>	1.426	1.424	1.421
O <sub>10</sub> —C <sub>8</sub>	1.433	1.437	1.437
C <sub>8</sub> —C <sub>28</sub>	1.544	1.539	1.536
C <sub>28</sub> —C <sub>30</sub>	1.529	1.531	1.533
C <sub>30</sub> —H <sub>31</sub>	1.092	1.090	1.088
C <sub>30</sub> —H <sub>32</sub>	1.091	1.091	1.091
C <sub>28</sub> —O <sub>33</sub>	1.430	1.432	1.430
O <sub>33</sub> —H <sub>34</sub>	0.962	0.963	0.963
C <sub>28</sub> —H <sub>29</sub>	1.094	1.094	1.094
C <sub>8</sub> —C <sub>5</sub>	1.516	1.519	1.519
C <sub>5</sub> —H <sub>6</sub>	1.091	1.092	1.092
C <sub>5</sub> —H <sub>7</sub>	1.094	1.095	1.095
C <sub>5</sub> —O <sub>4</sub>	1.451	1.452	1.450
O <sub>4</sub> —P <sub>1</sub>	1.605	1.607	1.614
P <sub>1</sub> —O <sub>3</sub>	1.469	1.487	1.488
P <sub>1</sub> —O <sub>35</sub>	1.602	1.574	1.565
P <sub>1</sub> —O <sub>2</sub>	1.625	1.614	1.618
O <sub>35</sub> —H <sub>36</sub>	0.965	1.010	1.030
O <sub>2</sub> —H <sub>37</sub>	0.965	0.965	0.964