

Explicit calculation of the excited electronic states of the photosystem II reaction centre: Supplementary Information

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Table S1: Excitation energies of a chlorophyll dimer (AB) with various modifications (eV). CAM-B3LYP/6-31G(d,p)

Excitation	Character ^a	Full chlorophyll	Truncated tail ^b	With diffuse ^c	With His ^d
1	A*	2.1291	2.1296	2.0888	2.1301
2	B*	2.1771	2.1779	2.1409	2.1802
3	A*	2.5588	2.5595	2.5299	2.4762
4	B*	2.5682	2.5689	2.5391	2.5010
5	A ⁺ B ⁻	2.7152	2.7161	2.6743	2.7744
6	A ⁻ B ⁺	2.7158	2.7166	2.6773	2.7805
7	A ⁺ B ⁻	3.2444	3.2456	3.2060	3.2317
8	A ⁻ B ⁺	3.2453	3.2465	3.2075	3.2419
9	A*	3.4027	3.4047	3.3466	3.3832
10	B*	3.4152	3.4185	3.3542	3.4047

^a Principle nature of excited state

^b Truncated at ether, converted to carboxylic acid

^c Truncated tail configuration, CAM-B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p)

^d Truncated Chl and protonated His, Chl–His monomer optimised in gas phase

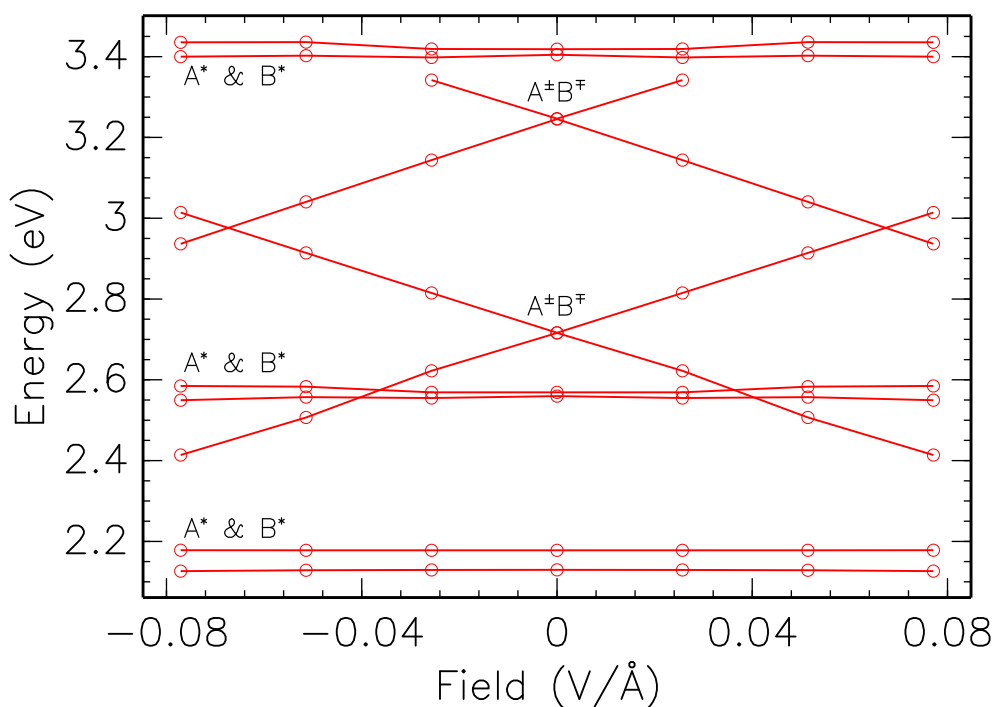


Figure S1: Excitation energies of a dimer of truncated chlorophyll molecules (3.8 Å separation between the planes of the rings) under a uniform external electric field. The field is oriented approximately along the vector between the centres of the chlorophylls.