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**Cation- π and Hydrophobic Interaction Controlled PET Recognition in
Double Mutated Cutinase – Identification of a Novel Binding Subsite for
Better Catalytic Activity**

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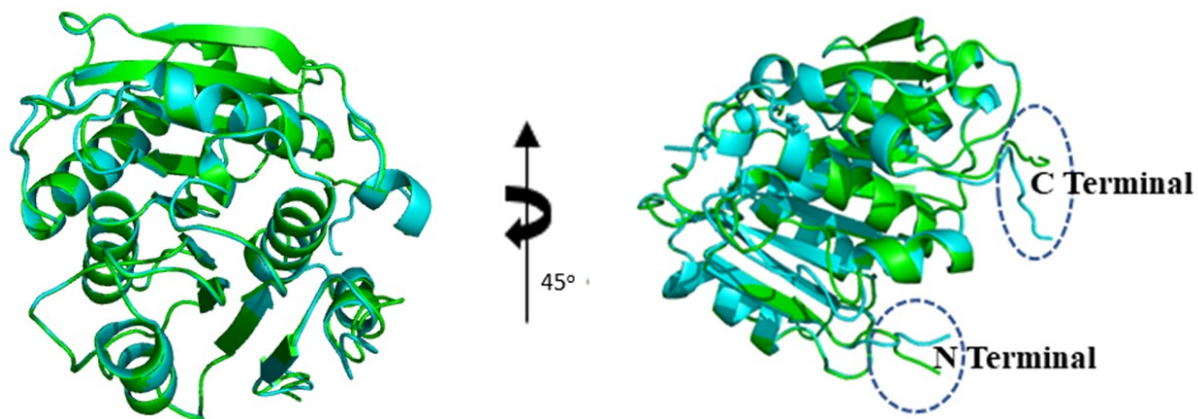
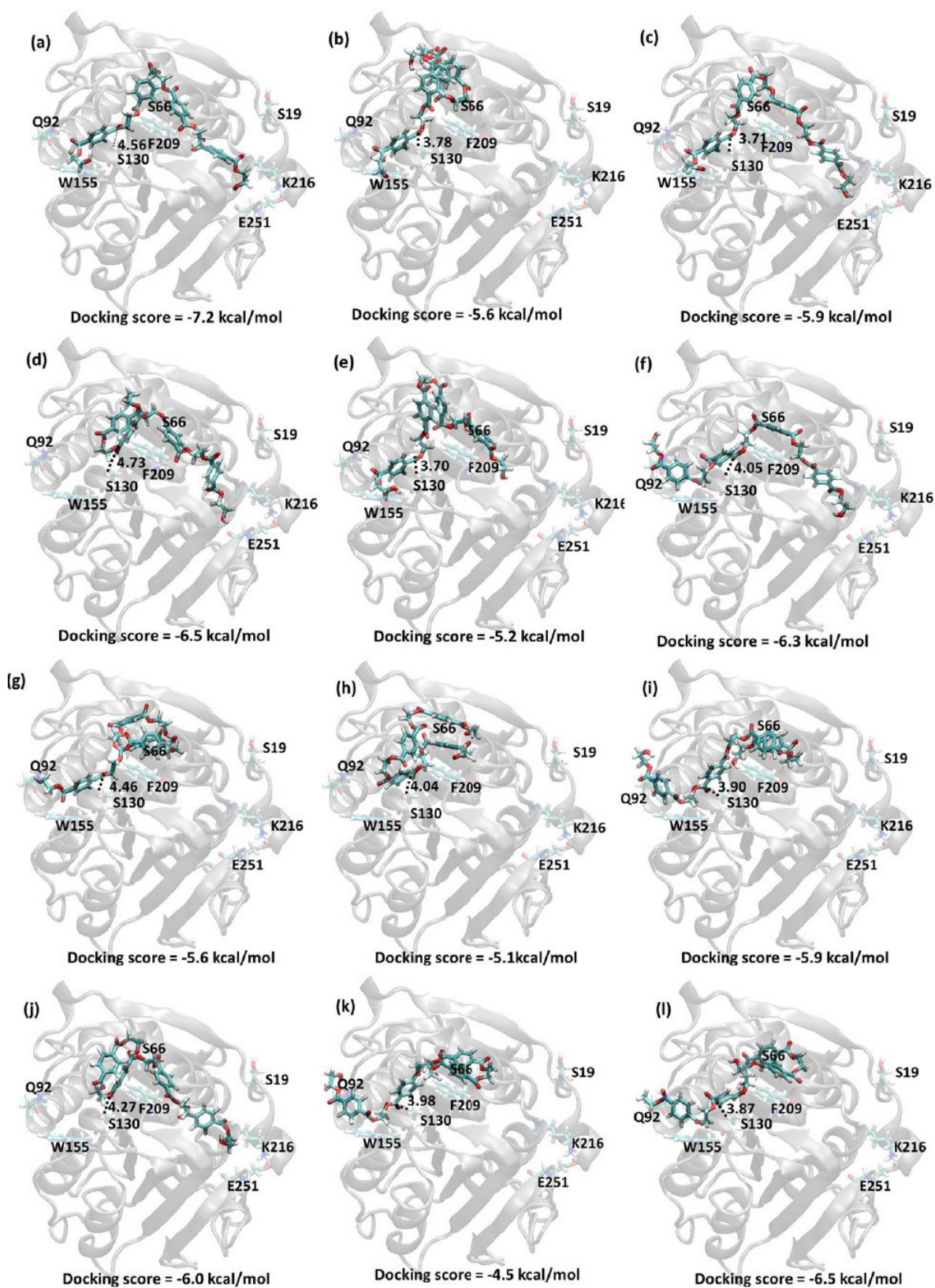


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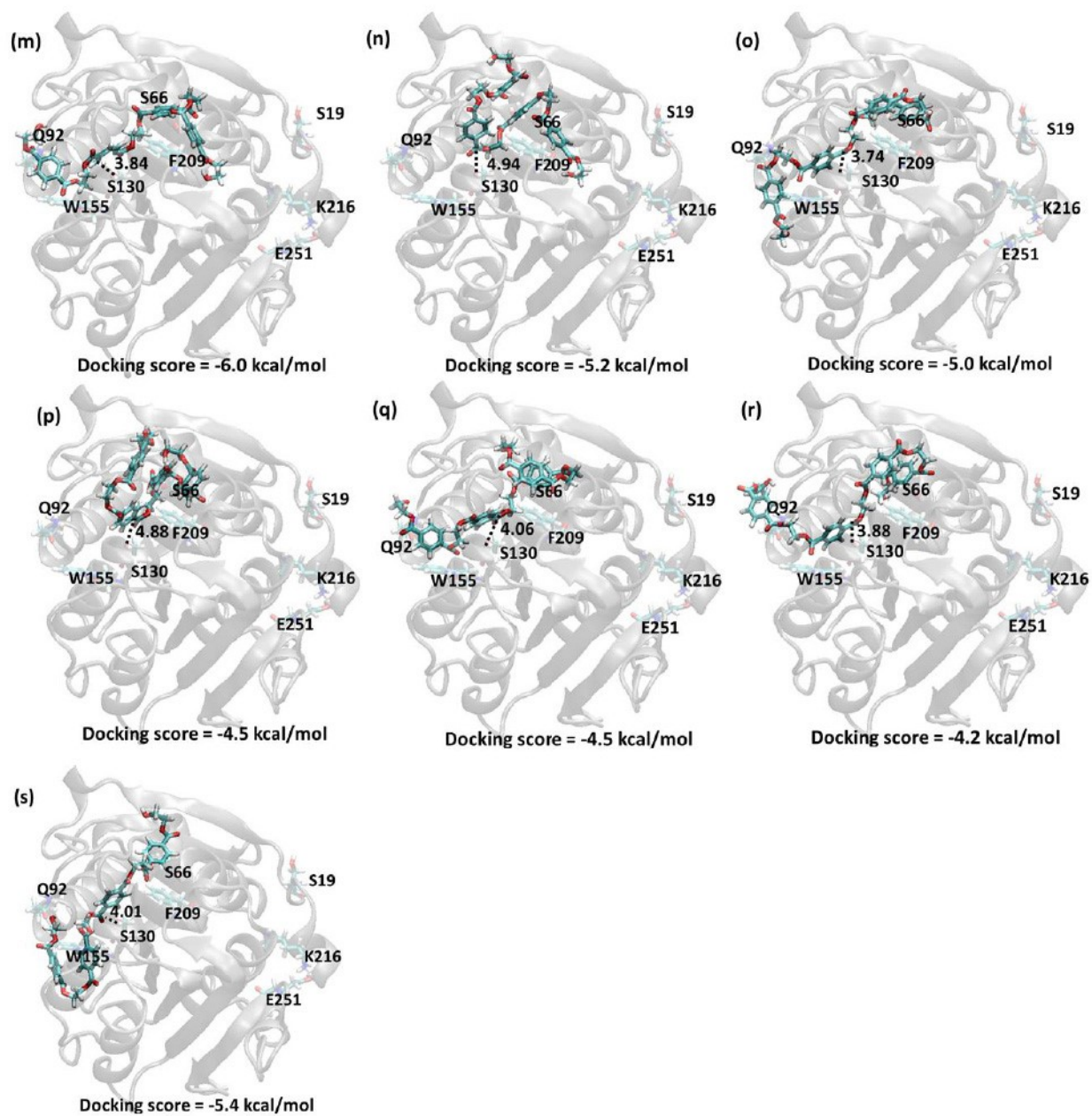
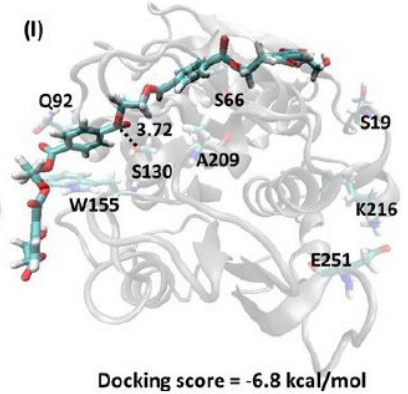
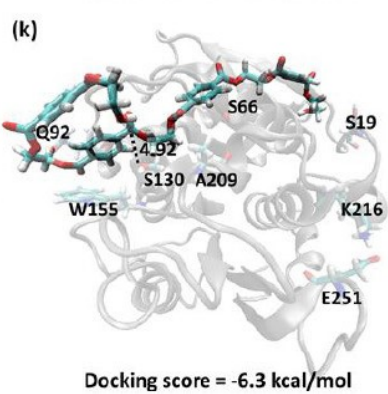
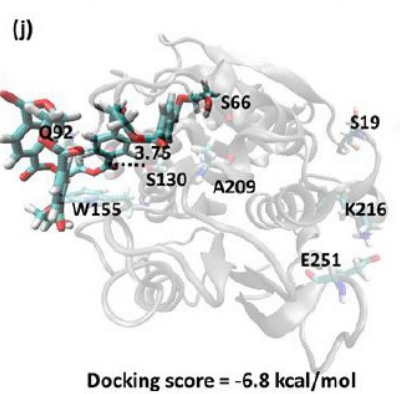
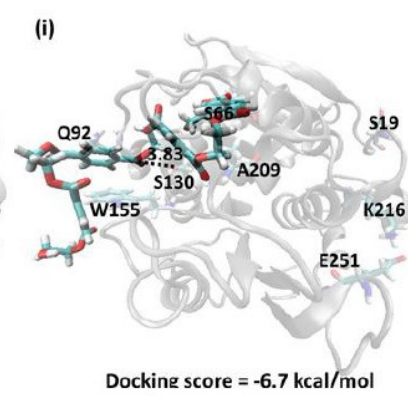
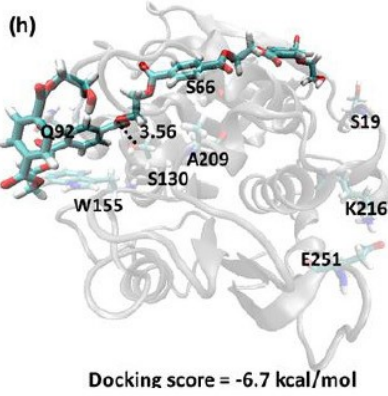
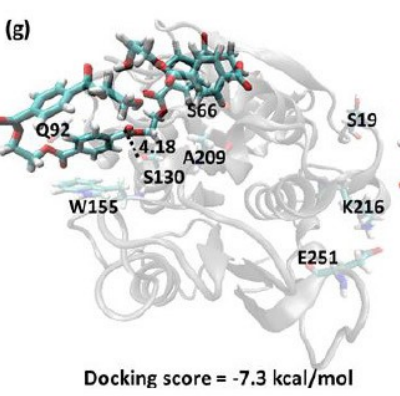
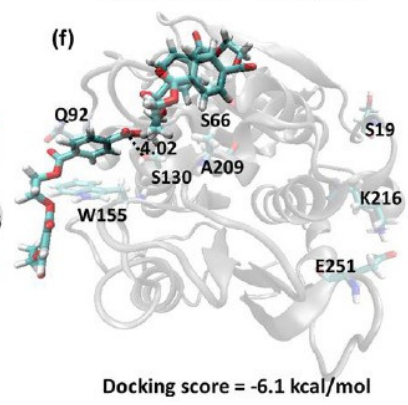
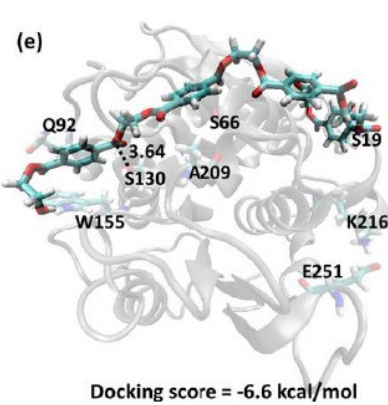
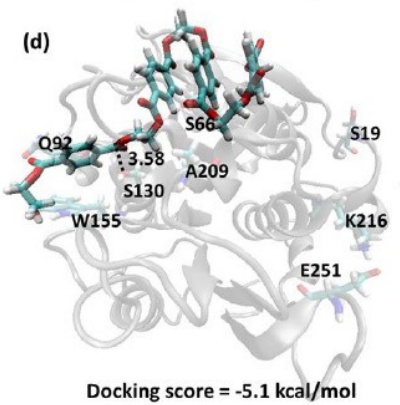
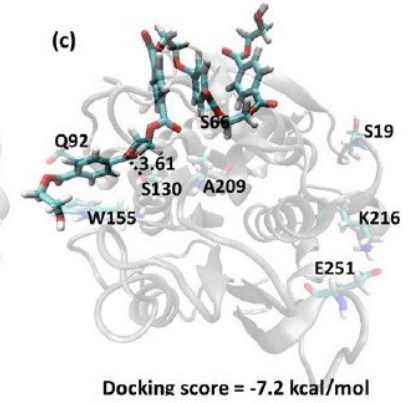
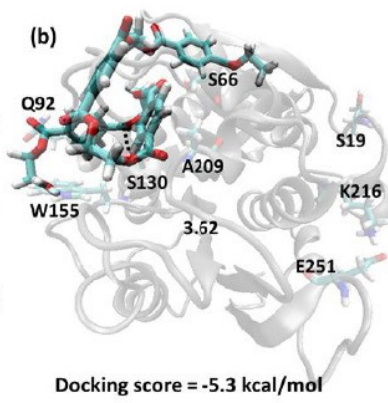
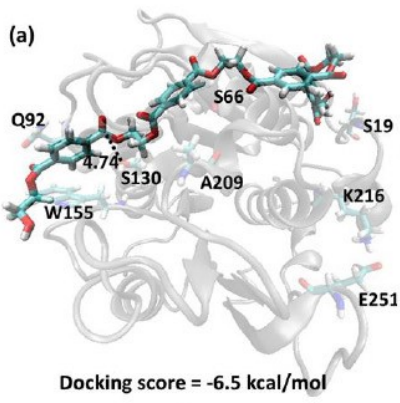


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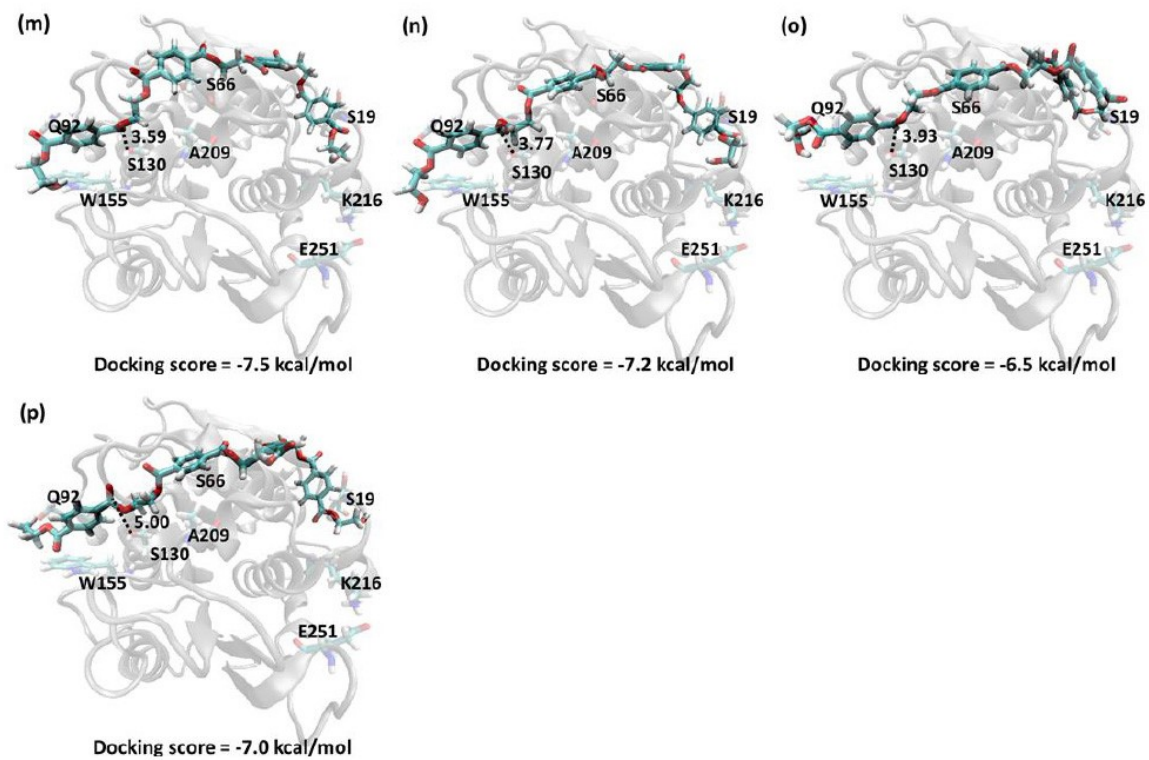


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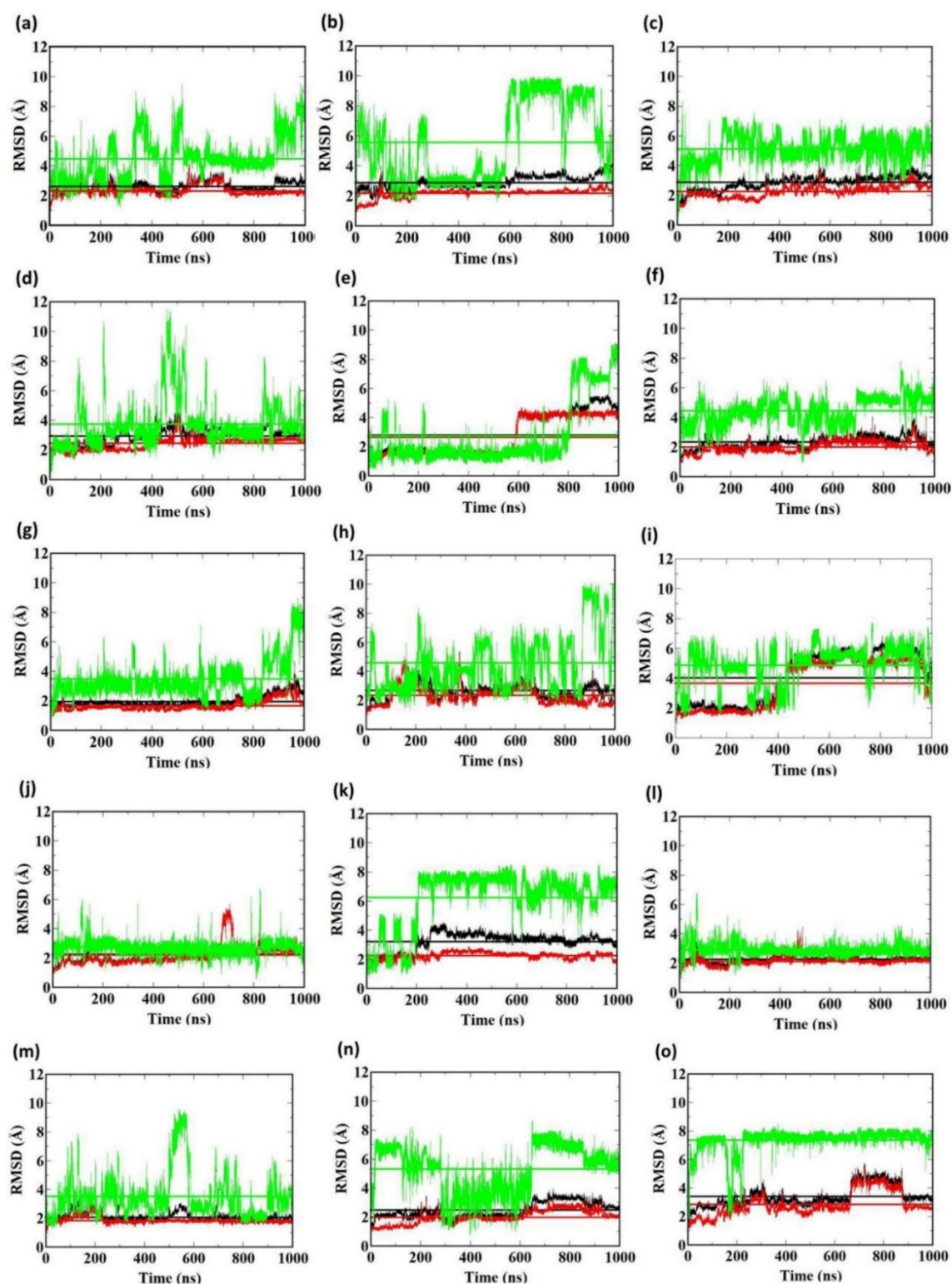


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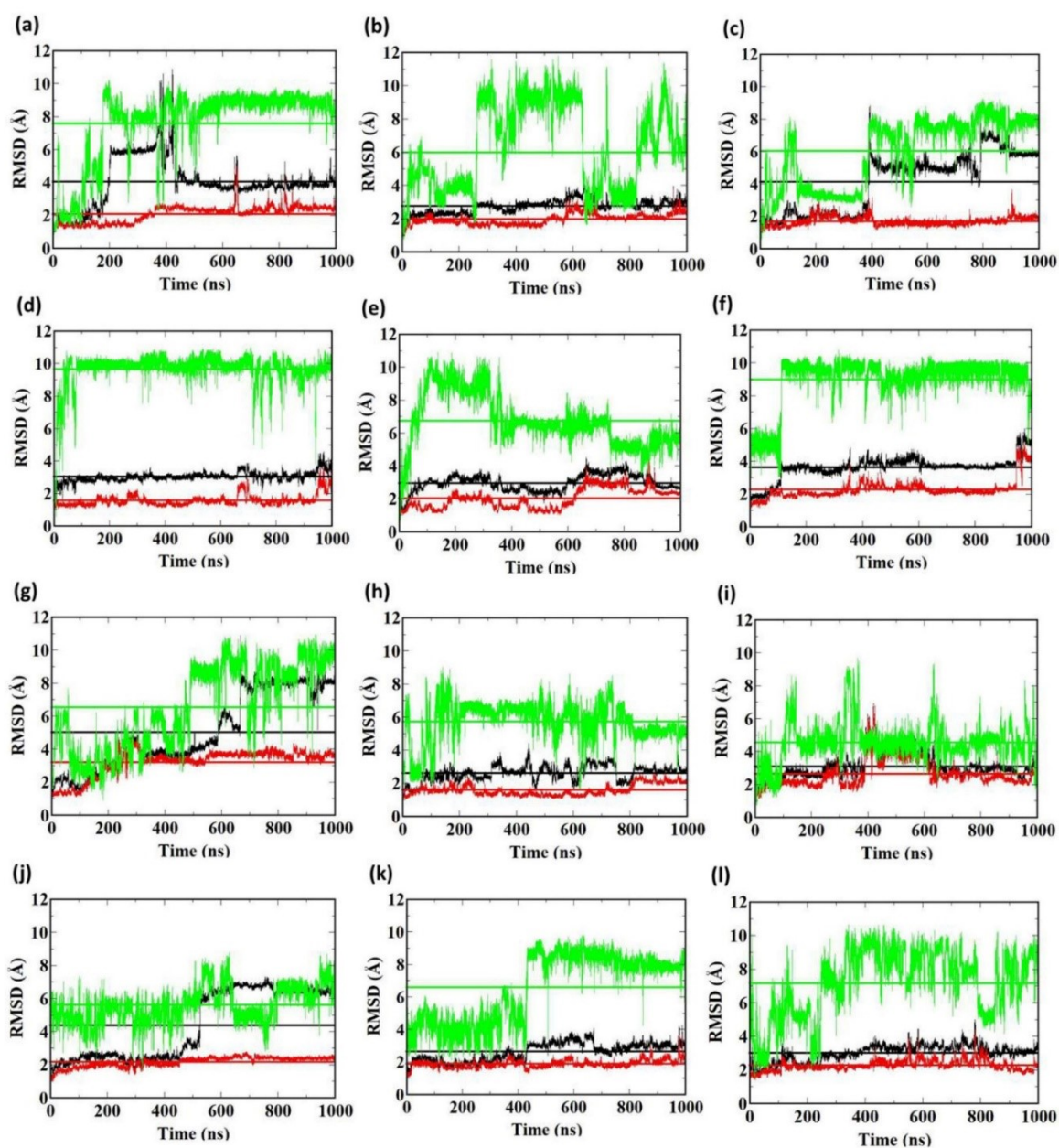


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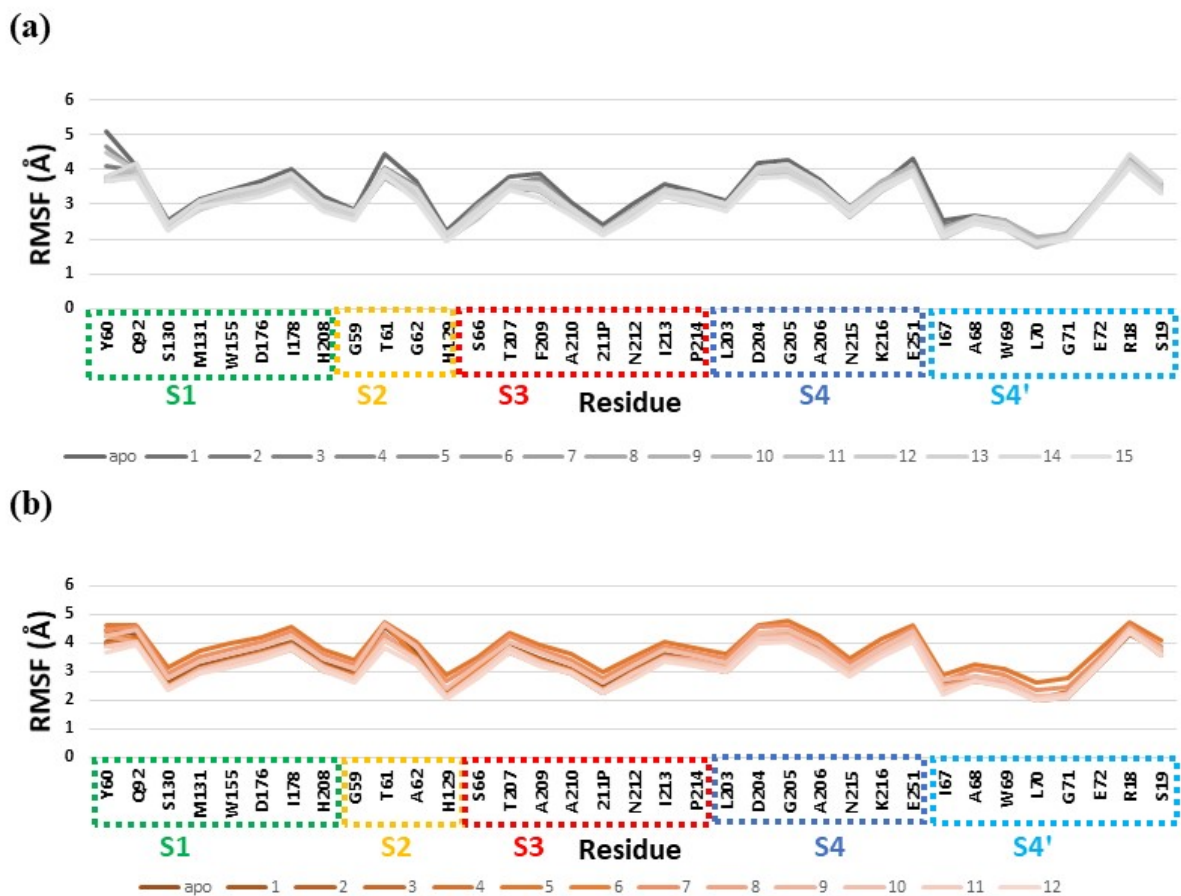


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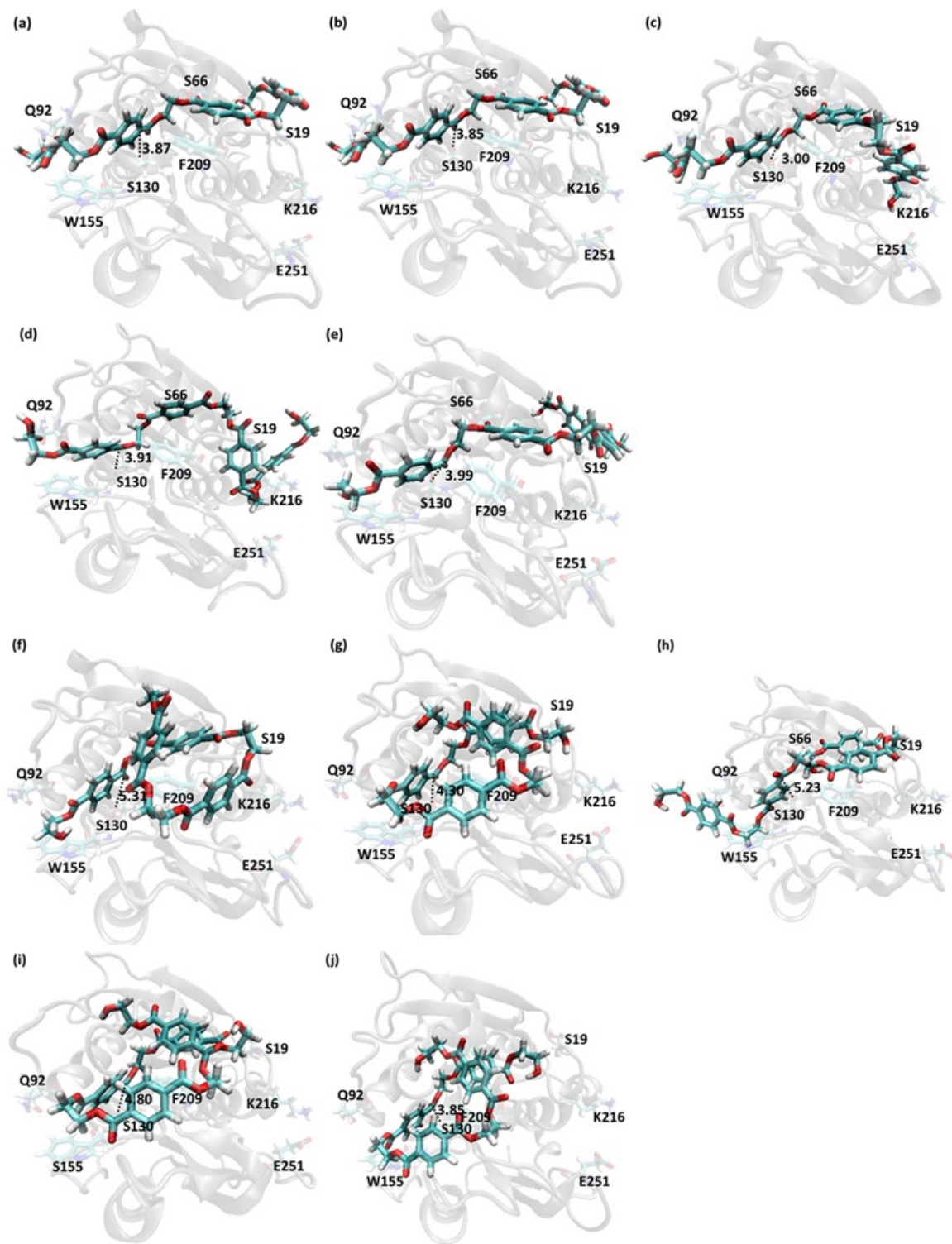


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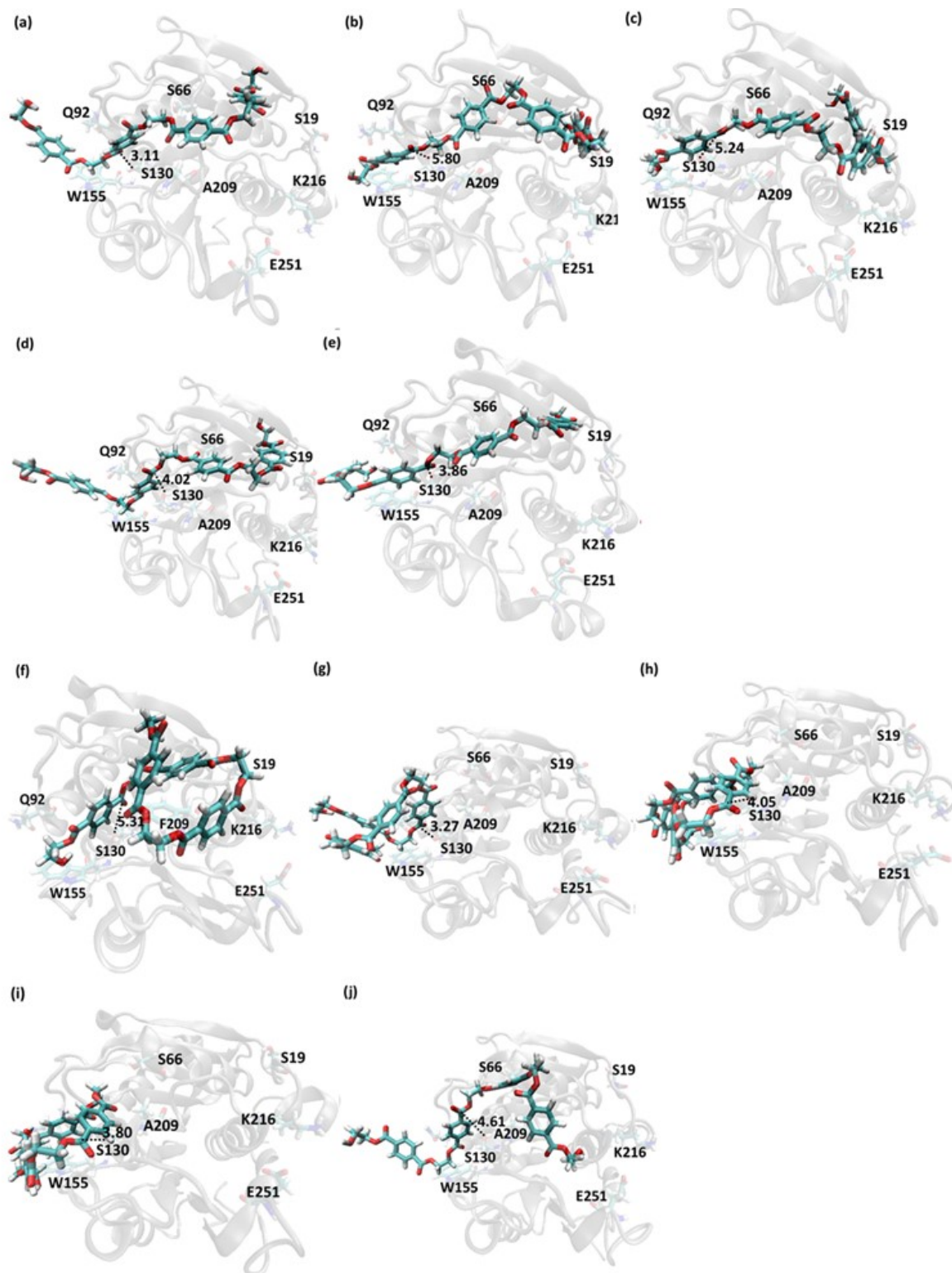


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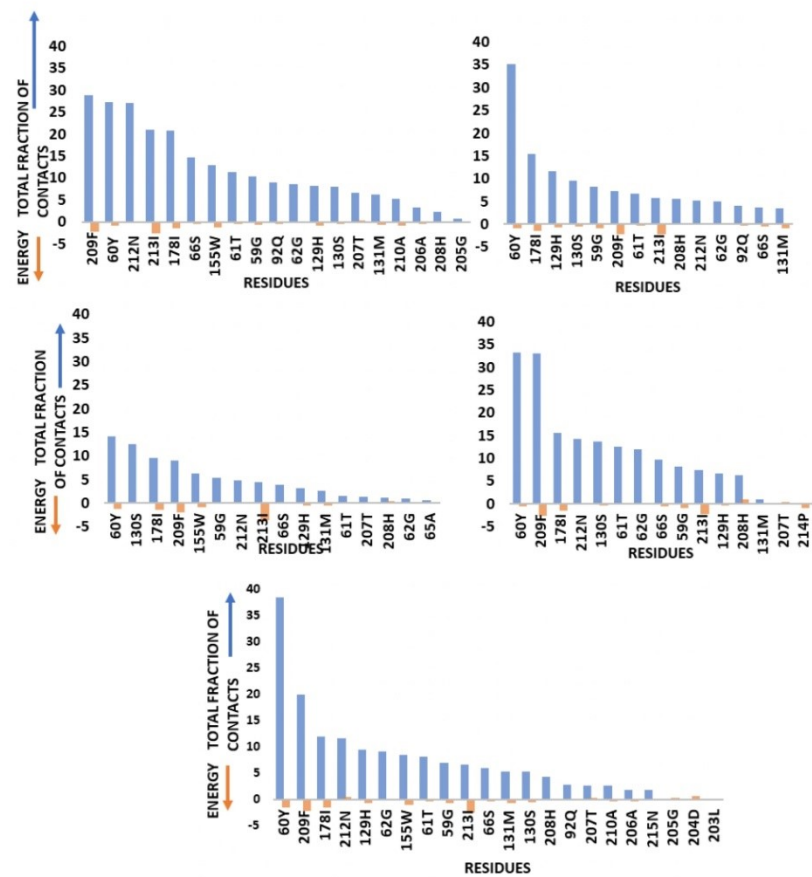
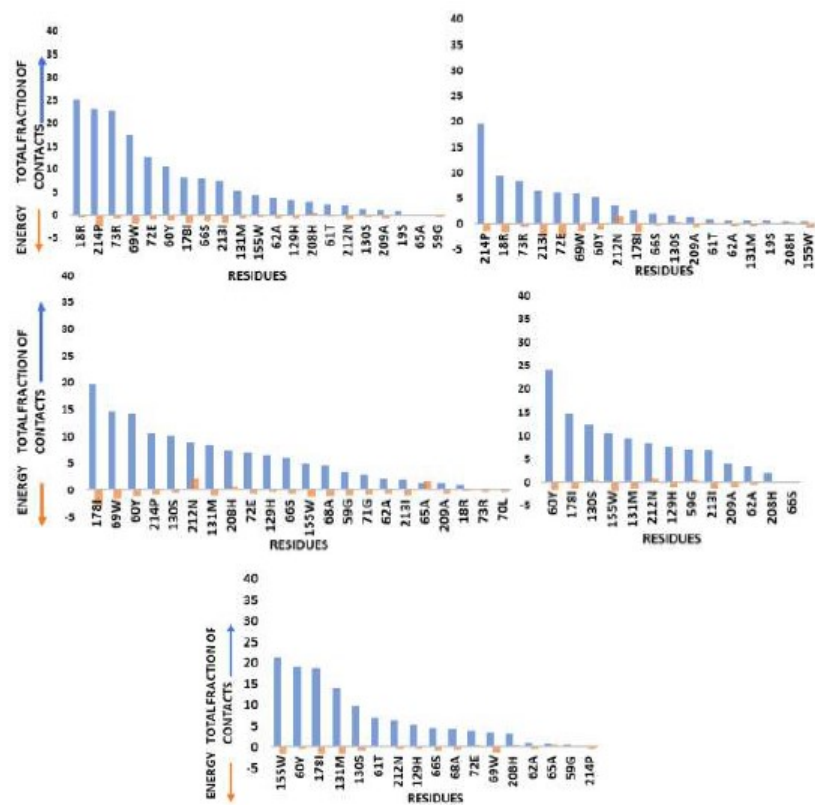


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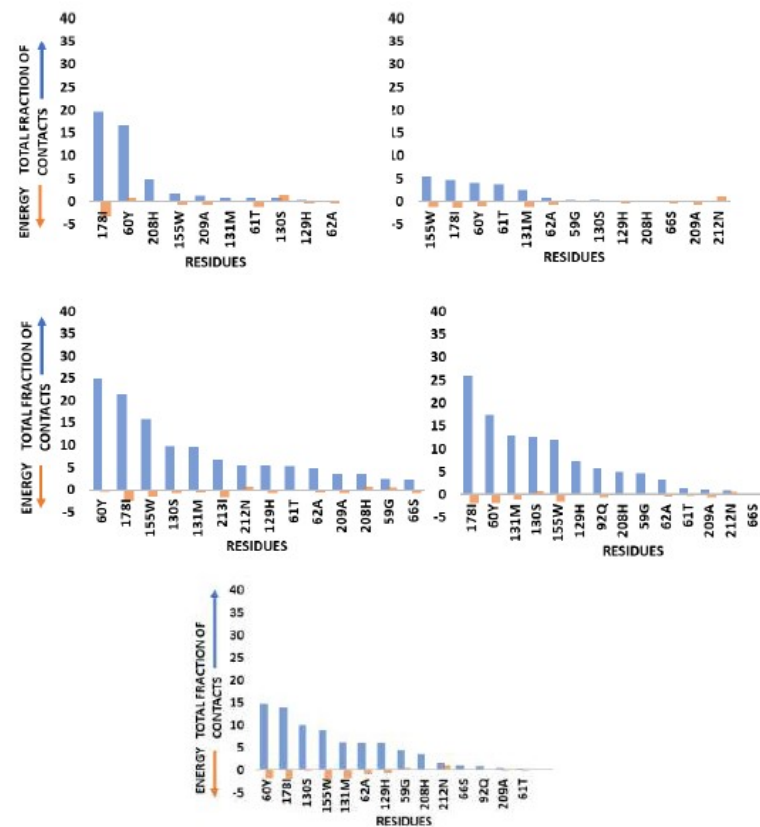


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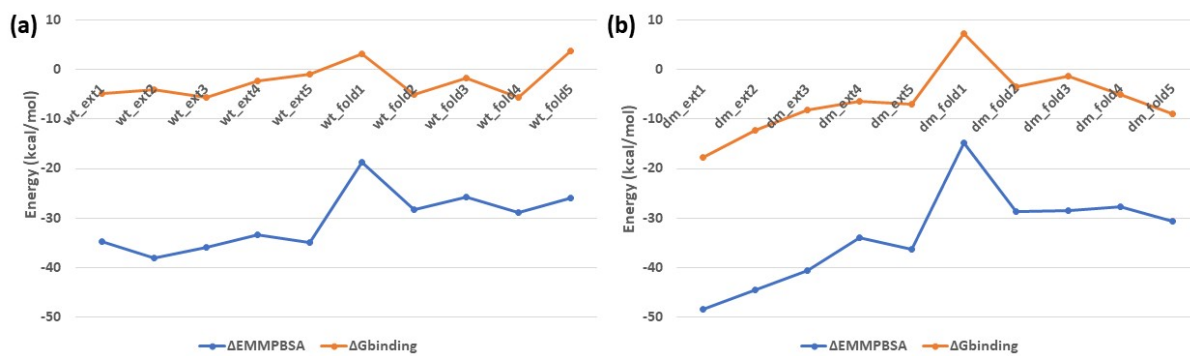


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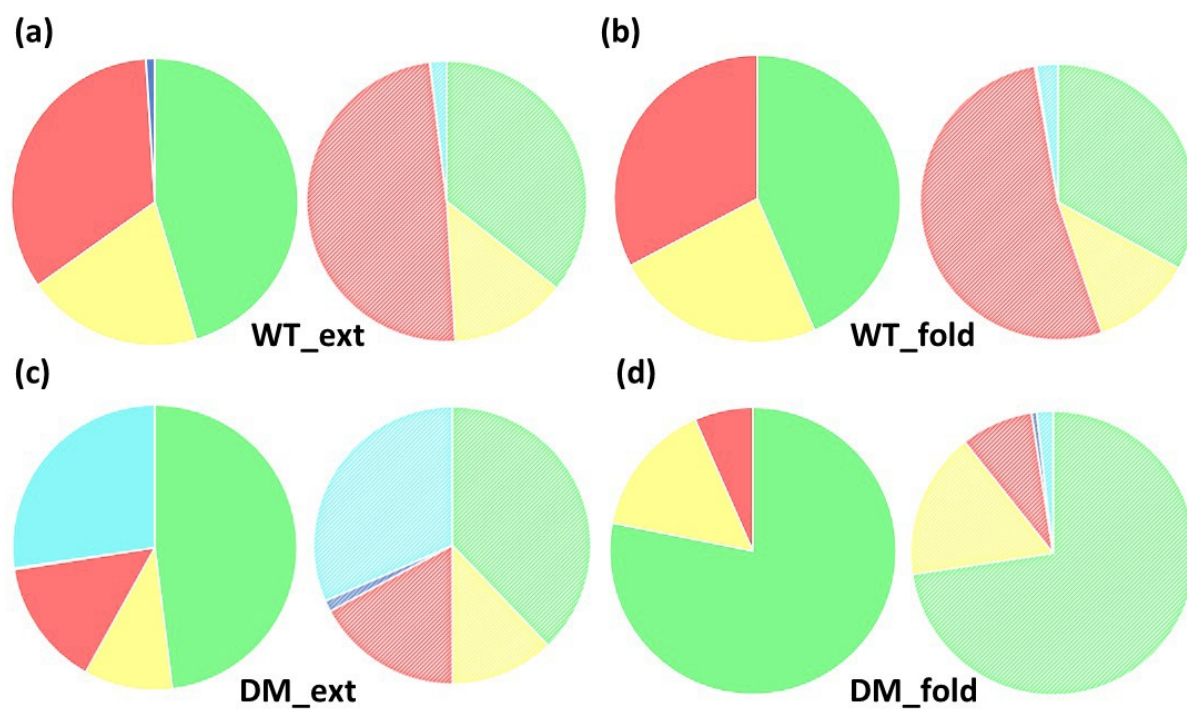
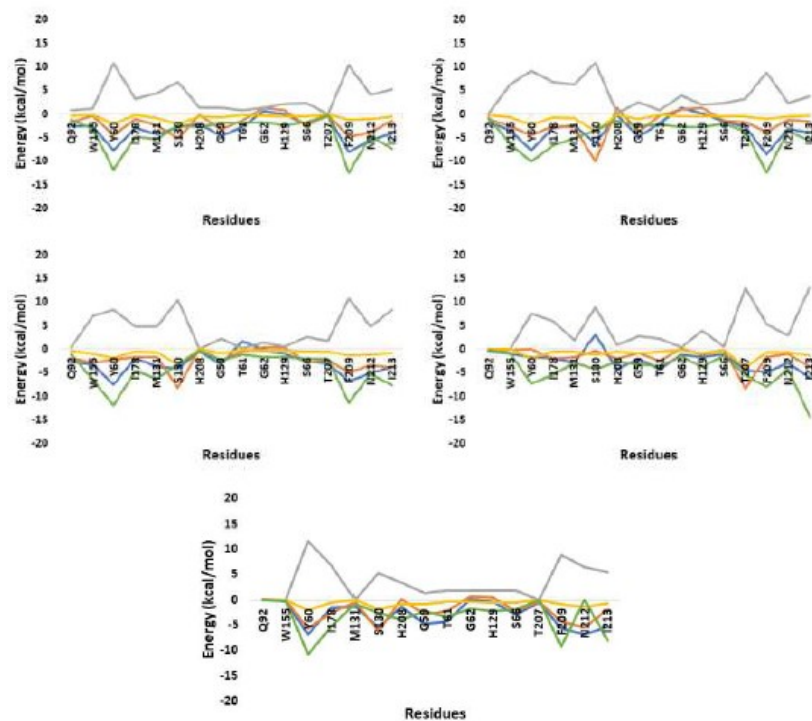


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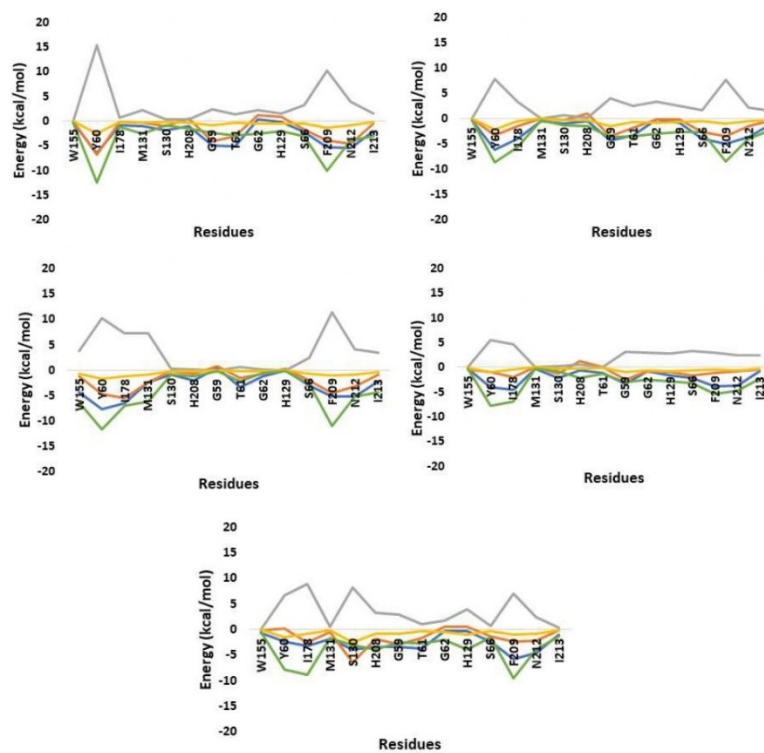
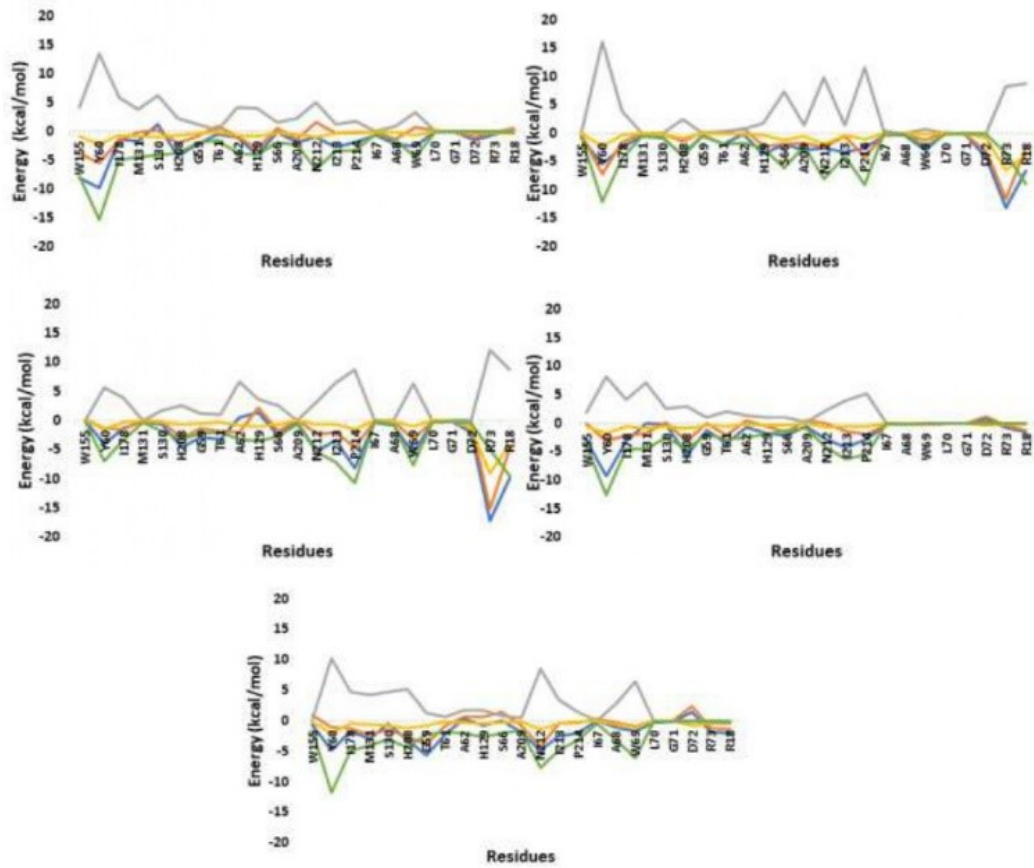


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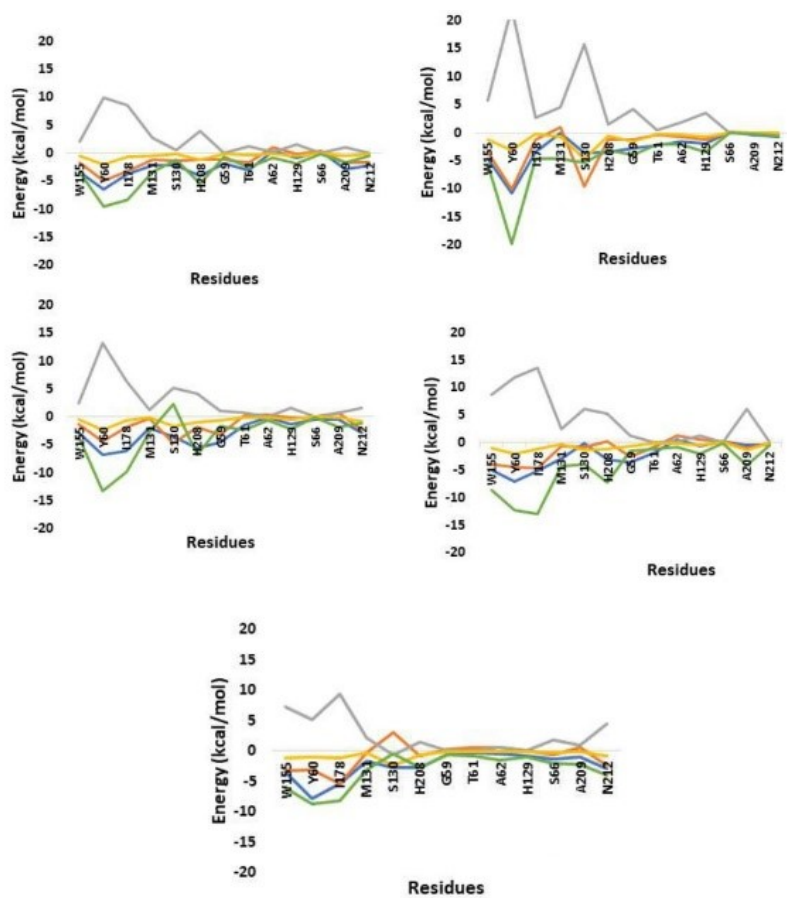


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Residue	Interaction Energy (kcal/mol)				
W155	-3.11	-0.79	-0.29	-2.53	-3.53
Y60	-6.77	-1.36	-6.5	-6.29	-6.2
I178	-2.23	-2.12	-1.72	-3.44	-3.64
M131	-3.97	-3.17	-1.43	-4.54	-2.97
S130	-3.83	1.77	-5.69	-3.06	-5.71
H208	-0.39	-3.51	-0.94	-1.91	-0.16
G59	-3.39	-2.27	-5.06	-4.55	-4.84
T61	-1.77	-4.88	-4.74	-3.04	-2.32
G62	-0.75	-1.46	-0.42	-0.39	0.18
H129	-1.2	-2.14	-0.51	-0.56	-0.18
S66	-2.45	-1.2	-2.57	-2.21	-1.77
T207	-1.84	-3.92	-0.43	-0.44	-2.86
F209	-5.72	-4.4	-5.01	-6.94	-7.06
N212	-4.92	-3.51	-6.56	-5.52	-3.15
I213	-4.53	-7.34	-4.5	-5.08	-4.56

Table S2. Interaction energy of model PET (folded conformer) with WT *TfCut2* calculated using Grimme DFT-D3(BJ) dispersion interaction at the B3LYP/6-31+g(d) level of theory by using Gaussian09 software package.

Residue	Interaction Energy (kcal/mol)				
W155	-0.31	-0.58	-0.22	-4.59	-0.26
Y60	-5.79	-2.65	-5.78	-7.48	-4.31
I178	-1.01	-4.27	-4.62	-6.3	-5.08
M131	-1.45	-1.85	-0.31	-2.6	-0.2
S130	-2.02	-4.21	-0.93	-0.95	-2.14
H208	-0.93	-2.85	-0.36	-1.71	-0.66
G59	-4.85	-3.1	-4.67	0.39	-3.64
T61	-5.22	-4.27	-3.62	-3.41	-1.38
G62	-0.72	-1.1	-1.04	-1.04	-1.45
H129	-0.17	-0.88	-1.16	-0.03	-1.9
S66	-2.4	-2.3	-4.2	-3	-2.4
F209	-5.12	-5.21	-4.68	-4.49	-3.78
N212	-4.87	-4.59	-4.17	-4.85	-4
I213	-2.4	-1.1	-1.4	-2.5	-0.9

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W155	-7.9	-0.8	0	-3	-0.5
Y60	-9.7	-5.3	-4.3	-9	-5.1
I178	-1.9	-2.4	-1.6	-3.3	-1.9
M131	-2	-0.6	-0.2	-0.2	-2.9
S130	0.5	-0.9	-1.2	-0.6	-0.8
H208	-3.5	-3.5	-3.9	-4.4	-2.3
G59	-2.4	-0.4	-2.9	-1.6	-5.2
T61	-0.8	-2.4	-3.2	-3.9	-2.5
A62	-1.7	-0.7	0.2	-1.3	-0.2
H129	-3.8	-3.5	0.8	-1.9	-0.9
S66	-0.7	-3.2	-2.8	-2.1	-0.8
A209	-2.1	-2.9	-0.5	-0.7	-2
N212	-2.2	-3.6	-5.4	-3.2	-5.4
I213	-2.9	-3.6	-3.6	-4.6	-2.9
P214	-2	-3.3	-7.5	-3.2	-2.5
I67	-0.7	-0.4	-0.4	-0.3	-0.1
A68	-2.2	-0.2	-0.7	-0.3	-1.4
W69	-3	-2.8	-5.2	-0.7	-2.3
L70	-0.1	0.1	-0.5	-0.1	-0.3
G71	-0.1	-0.2	-0.1	0	-0.1
E72	-1.58	-4.14	-1.96	0.4	-1.6
R73	-0.6	-12.6	-16.9	-0.7	-1.8
R18	0.1	-7.8	-11.2	-1.5	-2.1

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M131	-2.2	-0.8	-2.6	-3.5	-2.1
S130	-3.4	-3.6	-2.3	-0.6	-2.7
H208	-5.9	-2.8	-4.2	-3.8	-2.3
G59	-4.3	-3.2	-1.6	-3.5	-0.8
T61	-1.8	-2	-3.2	-1.9	-0.4
A62	-0.3	-1.7	0	0.2	-0.9
H129	-1.8	-2.2	-0.7	-0.8	-1
S66	-0.4	0.1	0.2	0.1	-1.5
A209	-1	-0.4	-2.7	-0.7	-1.4
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Supplementary Movie Captions

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Supporting Files

Some of the coordinate files and the corresponding parameter files of the WT and DM *TfCut2*-PETase system are given in the link below:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1_w0TuPm-eGpmoUMFS7Hrtv9MFyzX3ou?usp=sharing