

Supplementary Material

Predicted hotspot residues involved in allosteric signal transmission in Pro-apoptotic Peptide—Mcl1 Complexes

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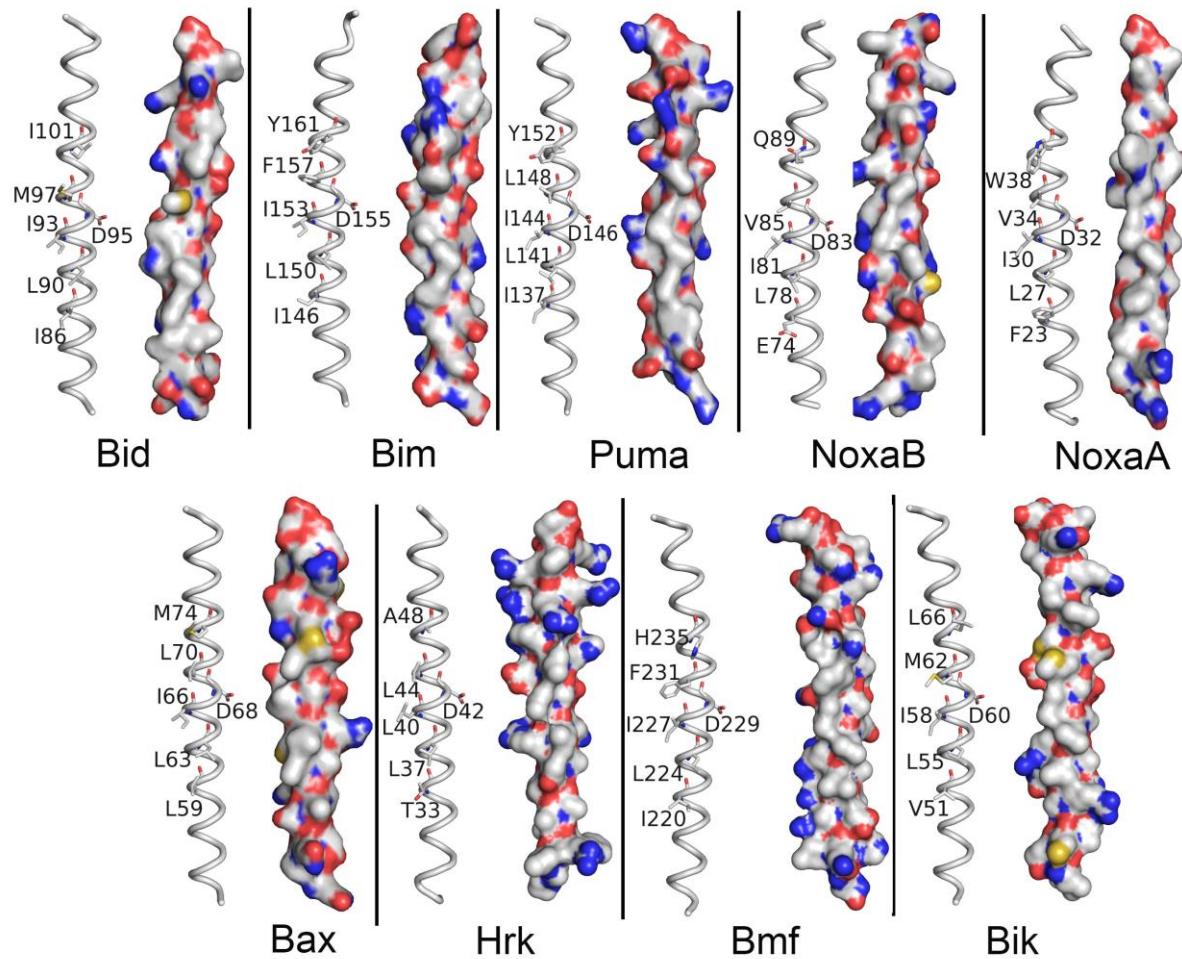


Figure S1. (a) The conserved residues of PAPs (left — helix and right —molecular surface) form the hydrophobic face (sticks) that potentially interact to the binding groove of anti-apoptotic mMcl1.

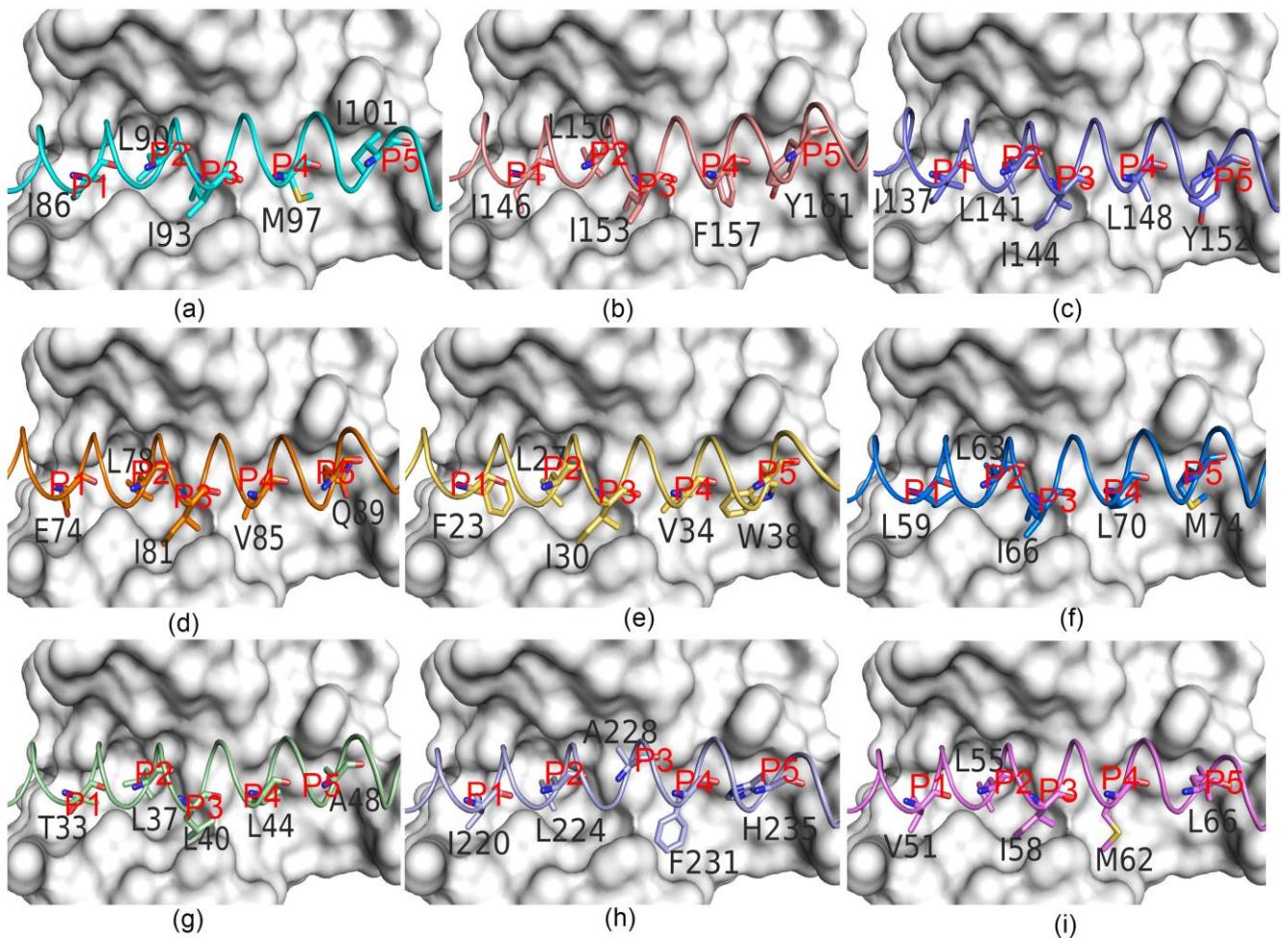


Figure S2: Closer views of the hydrophobic face of (stick of) PAPs [(a) Bid, (b) Bim, (c) Puma, (d) NoxaB, (e) NoxaA, (f) Bax (g) Hrk (h) Bmf, and (i) Bik] interacting at the sub-pockets (P1-P5) present inside the binding groove of mMcl1 (molecular surface representation).

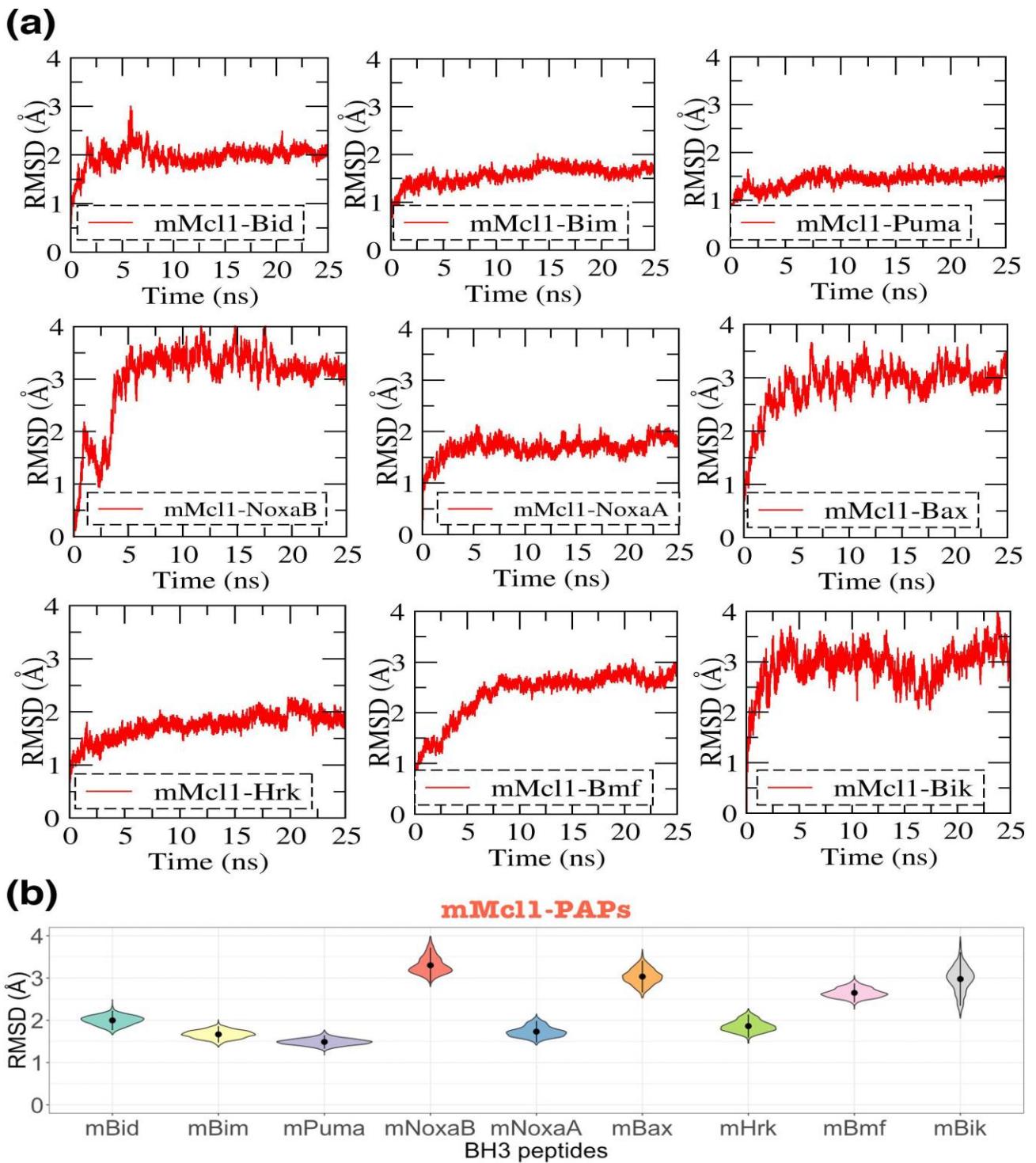


Figure S3: (a) The root-mean-squared deviation (*rmsd*) values calculated using C α atoms for each mMc1—PAP complex relative to its initial coordinates over the period of time. (b) The violin plots were constructed using the trajectories from last 10 ns. The plot displays the distribution and mean (black dot) *rmsd* values for each mMc1—PAP complex.

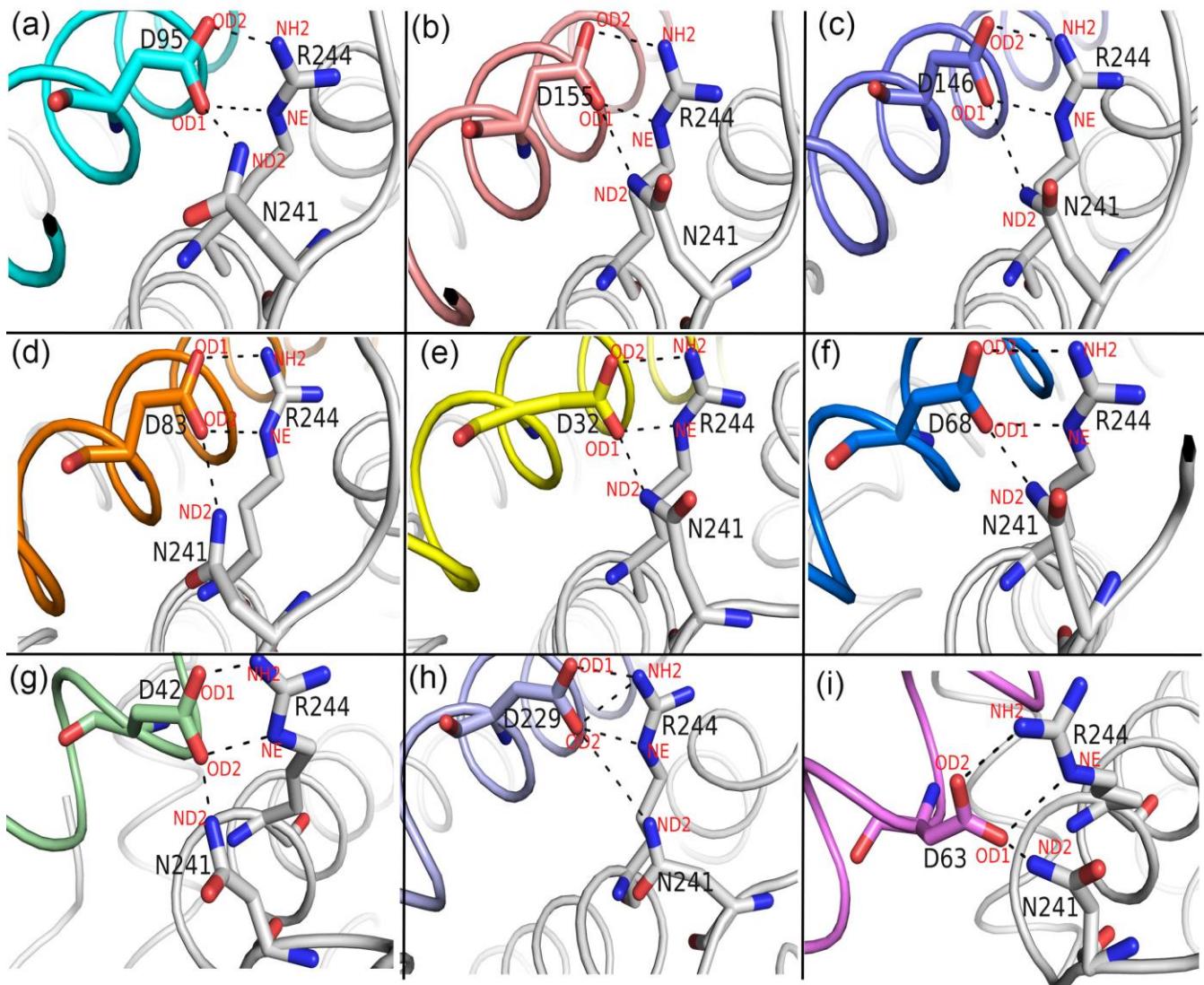


Figure S4: The polar contacts (black dotted lines) identified between the anti-apoptotic mMcl1 (white) and PAPs [(a) Bid: D95 - cyan, (b) Bim: D155 - salmon, (c) Puma: D146 - purple, (d) NoxaB: D83 - orange, (e) NoxaA: D32 – yellow (f) Bax: D68 - marine blue (g) Hrk: D42 – light green (h) Bmf: D229 – light blue, and (i) Bik: D60 - pink] obtained using an average snapshot collected from the equilibrated phase of MD simulation.

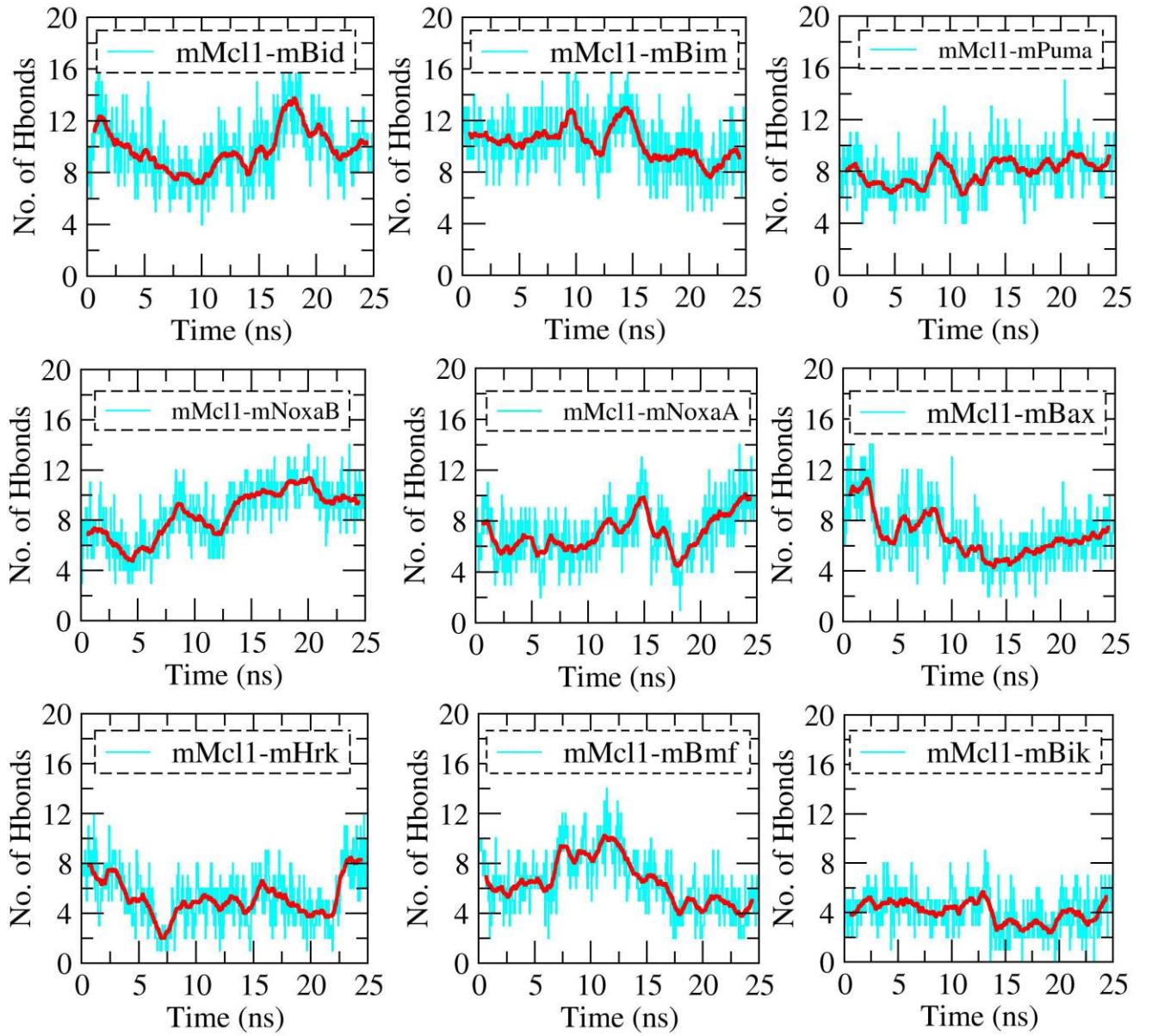


Figure S5: Total number of polar contacts at mMc11—PAP interface over the time period (ns).

Table S1: The polar atom distances (\AA) between mMcl1 and PAPs measured using an average snapshot collected from the equilibrated phase of MD simulation. The distances were calculated using our in-house program *surf* (Johnson, MS — Unpublished). The distance cut-off was set to 3.2 \AA . The '*' sign represents the polar atoms from different BH3 peptides.

Peptides	Chain	Residue	Atom	Chain	Residue	Atom	Distance (\AA)
mBak	A	K215	NZ	B*	Q74	OE1	2.7
		N241	ND2		D80	OD2	3.1
		G243	N		N83	OD1	3.2
		R244	NH2		D80	OD1	2.8
		R244	NH1		D80	OD2	2.9
		F299	O		Y86	OH	2.7
mBid	A	K215	NZ	B*	N85	OD1	2.9
		R229	NH1		E80	OE1	2.9
		R229	NH1		E80	OE2	2.9
		R229	NH2		E80	OE2	3.0
		H233	ND1		H84	NE2	2.9
		N241	ND2		D95	OD1	2.8
		G243	N		D98	OD1	3.0
		R244	NH1		D95	OD2	3.1
		R244	NH2		D95	OD1	3.0
mBim	A	R229	NH1	B*	E143	OE1	2.7
		R229	NH1		E143	OE2	3.1
		H233	O		R151	NH1	2.9
		N241	ND2		D155	OD1	3.0
		R244	NH2		D155	OD1	2.9
		R244	NH1		D155	OD2	2.9
mPuma	A	M156	N	B*	F299	O	2.8
		H205	NE2		I144	O	3.2
		R229	NE		E130	OE2	3.0
		R229	NH2		E130	OE2	2.7
		R229	NH2		E131	OE1	2.7
		H233	ND1		R142	NH1	3.0
		H233	O		R142	NH1	3.1
		R244	NH2		D146	OD1	2.8
		R244	NH1		D146	OD2	2.8
mNoxaB	A*	T65	OG1	B	K215	O	2.8
		K72	NZ		R229	O	3.2
		E74	OE1		K215	NZ	2.7
		L78	O		T247	OG1	2.9
		R79	NH1		H233	O	2.7
		D83	OD2		N241	ND2	2.8
		D83	OD1		R244	NH2	2.7

		D83 Q89 Q89 Q89	OD2 NE2 NE2 NE2		R244 F299 F300 V302	NE O O O	2.8 3.2 3.2 3.1
mNoxaA	A	K215 K215 R229 N241 R244 R244	NZ NZ NH2 ND2 NH1 NH2	B*	E22 E22 E18 D32 D32 D32	OE1 OE2 OE2 OD2 OD2 OD1	3.1 3.2 2.8 3.1 3.0 2.9
		Q49 Q52 S60 R64 R64 D71	OE1 NE2 OG NH1 O OD1		R229 R229 H233 H233 R244 G243	NH1 O ND1 O NE N	2.8 2.9 3.1 2.9 3.1 2.9
		M212 N241 N241 G243 R244 R244 V302	O ND2 ND2 N NH1 NH2 O		T33 H45 D42 H45 D42 D42 A53	OG1 ND1 OD2 ND1 OD2 OD1 N	3.2 3.1 2.1 3.2 2.8 2.8 2.8
		H205 R229 V234 R244	NE2 O O NH1		I227 H214 Q225 Q225	O NE2 OE1 OE1	2.8 3.1 3.0 3.1
		L41 M42 Q50 D60 D60 R70	O O OE1 OD1 OD2 NH2		R229 R229 K215 R244 R244 F299	NH1 NH2 NZ OD1 OD2 O	2.7 2.9 3.1 3.2 3.1 2.9