

# **Supplementary Materials of**

## **Influence of ethanol parametrization on diffusion coefficients using OPLS-AA force field**

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## Potential energy functions

The terms whose sum gives in OPLS-AA the potential energy are of two types, binding and non-binding.

Binding terms correspond to 1) covalent bonds ( $V_{\text{stretching}}$ ):

$$V_{\text{stretching}} = k_{ij}/2 (r_{ij} - r_0)^2 \quad (\text{S1})$$

in which  $r_{ij}$  is the distance between the particle  $i$  and  $j$ ,  $r_0$  is the equilibrium bond length and  $k_{ij}$  is the stretching force constant; 2) angles between two covalent bonds of the same atom ( $V_{\text{angle}}$ ):

$$V_{\text{angle}} = k_{ikj}/2 (\theta_{ikj} - \theta_0)^2 \quad (\text{S2})$$

in which  $\theta_{ikj}$  is the angle between the particles  $i$ ,  $k$  and  $j$ ,  $\theta_0$  is the equilibrium angle and  $k_{ikj}$  is the bending force constant; or 3) angles between two planes, each of two covalent bonds of the same atom, with a common covalent bond (dihedral angles), which can be proper ( $V_{\text{proper dihedrals}}$ ):

$$V_{\text{proper dihedrals}} = \sum_{n=0}^5 k_n (\cos(\theta_{ijkl} - 180))^n \quad (\text{S3})$$

in which  $\theta_{ijkl}$  is the torsion angle between  $i$ ,  $j$ ,  $k$  and  $l$ , and  $k_n$  are the function coefficients, or improper ( $V_{\text{improper dihedrals}}$ ):

$$V_{\text{improper dihedrals}} = k_{ijkl} (1 + \cos(2\theta_{ijkl} - \theta_0))^n \quad (\text{S4})$$

in which  $k_{ijkl}$  is the force constant from the internal torsions.

Non-binding terms ( $V_{\text{non-bonded}}$ ) correspond to pairs of atoms covalently unbound to each other or the same atom and were calculated accounting for the sum between the van der Waals ( $V_{\text{van der Waals}}$ ) and Coulombic ( $V_{\text{Coulomb}}$ ) interactions. The van der Waals are calculated as:

$$V_{\text{non-bonded}} = 4\varepsilon_{ij} \left[ \left( \frac{\sigma_{ij}}{r_{ij}} \right)^{12} - \left( \frac{\sigma_{ij}}{r_{ij}} \right)^6 \right] + \frac{q_i q_j}{4\varepsilon_r r_{ij}} \quad (\text{S5})$$

in which  $\varepsilon_{ij}$  is the well depth potential energy between the particles  $i$  and  $j$  at  $r_{ij} = 2^{1/6}\sigma_{ij}$ ,  $\sigma_{ij}$  is the distance between  $i$  and  $j$  at which the potential is null,  $q_{ij}$  ( $1 \text{ e} = 1.602176565 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$ ) is the charge of particles  $i$  or  $j$ , and  $\varepsilon_r$  is the relative permittivity. The Coulombic are calculated as:

$$V_{\text{non-bonded}} = \frac{q_i q_j}{4\varepsilon_r r_{ij}} \quad (\text{S6})$$

The  $\sigma_{ij}$  and  $\varepsilon_{ij}$  are calculated from the  $i$  and  $j$  atoms  $\sigma$  and  $\varepsilon$  by the geometric combination rules:

$$\sigma_{ij} = (\sigma_i \sigma_j)^{1/2} \quad (\text{S7})$$

$$\varepsilon_{ij} = (\varepsilon_i \varepsilon_j)^{1/2} \quad (\text{S8})$$

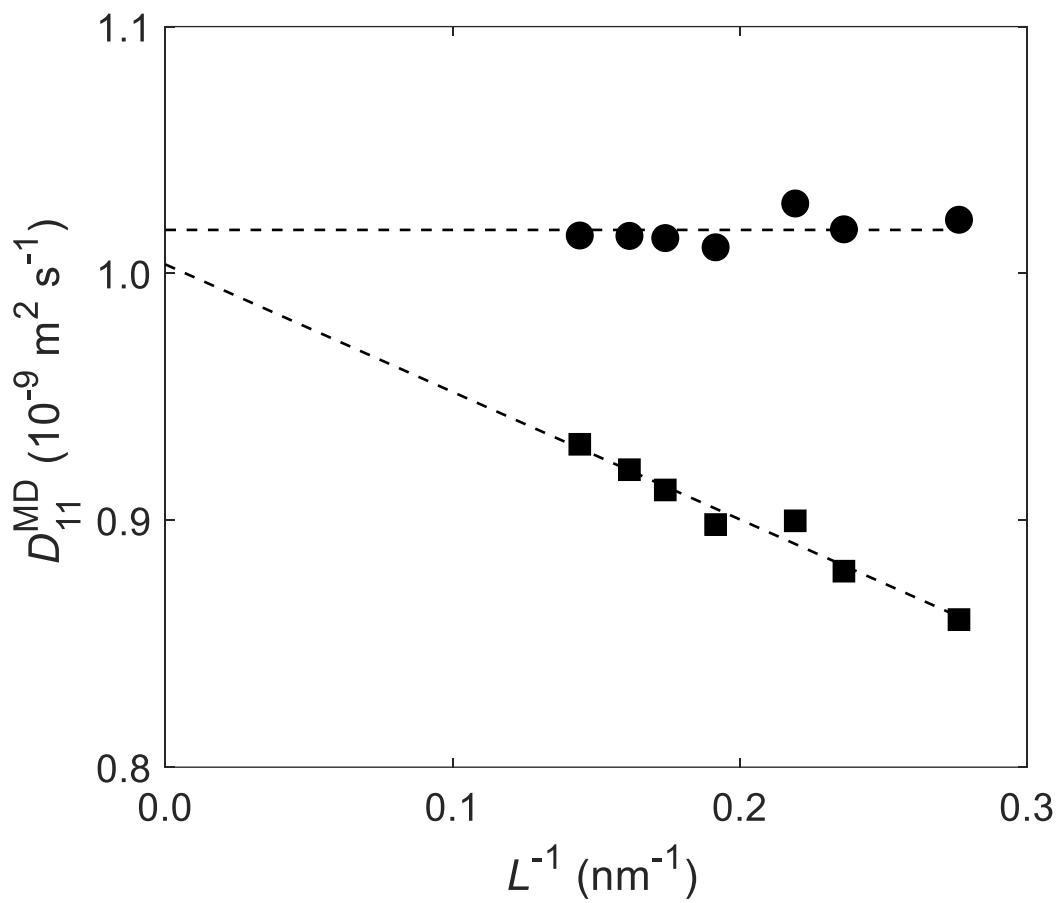


Figure S1 – Ethanol’s self-diffusion coefficient *versus*  $1/L$ , at 298.15 K and 1 bar. The squares represent  $D_{11}^{\text{MD}}$  computed with different box length values and the circles the  $D_{11}^{\text{MD}}$  corrected with the Yeh and Hummer hydrodynamic expressions (Equations (6) and (7)).

Table S1 – Computed diffusion coefficients ( $D_{12}^{\text{MD}}$ ) and relative deviations (RD) of quercetin and gallic acid at in liquid ethanol at various  $T$ ,  $P$  and  $\sigma_{\text{OH}}$ . Uncertainties ( $\Delta D_{12}^{\text{MD}}$ ) only reported whenever 3 data points (NDP) were computed.

Solute	$T$ (K)	$P$ (bar)	$\sigma_{\text{OH}}$ (nm)	$D_{12}^{\text{MD}} \pm \Delta D_{12}^{\text{MD}}$ ( $10^{-9} \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ )	NDP	RD (%)
Quercetin	303.15	1	0.312	$0.581 \pm 0.011$	3	26.61
	323.15	1	0.312	$0.897 \pm 0.016$	3	31.78
	303.15	1	0.310	0.529	1	15.28
	323.15	1	0.310	0.756	1	11.06
	303.15	1	0.308	0.514	1	12.01
	323.15	1	0.308	0.836	1	22.81
	303.15	1	0.307	$0.469 \pm 0.026$	3	2.20
	303.15	150	0.307	$0.421 \pm 0.006$	3	1.69
	323.15	1	0.307	$0.725 \pm 0.013$	3	6.51
	323.15	150	0.307	$0.670 \pm 0.028$	3	8.77
	303.15	1	0.306	$0.430 \pm 0.014$	3	-6.30
	303.15	150	0.306	$0.409 \pm 0.010$	3	-1.21
	323.15	1	0.306	$0.702 \pm 0.003$	3	3.13
	323.15	150	0.306	$0.642 \pm 0.036$	3	4.22
	303.15	1	0.305	$0.436 \pm 0.009$	3	-4.99
	303.15	150	0.305	$0.381 \pm 0.016$	3	-7.97
	323.15	1	0.305	$0.667 \pm 0.018$	3	-2.01
	323.15	150	0.305	$0.591 \pm 0.012$	3	-4.06
	303.15	1	0.304	0.387	1	-15.67
	323.15	1	0.304	0.615	1	-9.65
Gallic acid	303.15	1	0.312	$0.656 \pm 0.002$	3	29.13
	323.15	1	0.312	$1.02 \pm 0.03$	3	34.43
	333.15	1	0.312	$1.22 \pm 0.038$	3	35.25
	303.15	1	0.310	0.595	1	17.13
	333.15	1	0.310	1.10	1	21.55
	303.15	1	0.308	0.538	1	5.91
	333.15	1	0.308	1.03	1	16.97
	303.15	1	0.307	$0.491 \pm 0.010$	3	3.35
	323.15	1	0.307	$0.809 \pm 0.023$	3	6.73
	333.15	1	0.307	$0.978 \pm 0.043$	3	8.07
	303.15	1	0.306	$0.481 \pm 0.014$	3	5.31
	323.15	1	0.306	$0.776 \pm 0.028$	3	2.37
	333.15	1	0.306	$0.960 \pm 0.028$	3	6.08
	303.15	1	0.305	$0.458 \pm 0.009$	3	9.84
	323.15	1	0.305	$0.722 \pm 0.005$	3	4.75
	333.15	1	0.305	$0.916 \pm 0.012$	3	1.22
	303.15	1	0.304	0.442	1	12.99
	333.15	1	0.304	0.848	1	6.30

Table S2 – Computed diffusion coefficients ( $D_{12}^{\text{MD}}$ ), experimental ( $D_{12}^{\text{exp}}$ ) and relative deviations (RD) of the various solutes in liquid ethanol at various temperatures ( $T$ ) and pressures ( $P$ ), considering  $\sigma_{\text{OH}} = 0.312 \text{ nm}$  and  $\sigma_{\text{OH}} = 0.306 \text{ nm}$ ; experimental uncertainties ( $\Delta D_{12}^{\text{exp}}$ ) only reported whenever available.

Solute	$T$ (K)	$P$ (bar)	$D_{12}^{\text{exp}}$ $\pm \Delta D_{12}^{\text{exp}}$ ( $10^{-9} \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ )	$\sigma_{\text{OH}} = 0.312 \text{ nm}$		$\sigma_{\text{OH}} = 0.306 \text{ nm}$	
				$D_{12}^{\text{MD}}$ $\pm \Delta D_{12}^{\text{MD}}$ ( $10^{-9} \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ )	RD (%)	$D_{12}^{\text{MD}}$ $\pm \Delta D_{12}^{\text{MD}}$ ( $10^{-9} \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ )	RD (%)
ibuprofen	298.15	100	$0.518 \pm 0.070$	$0.685 \pm 0.16$	32.24	$0.528 \pm 0.011$	1.93
	308.15	1	$0.693 \pm 0.070$	$0.877 \pm 0.21$	26.55	$0.686 \pm 0.023$	-1.01
	308.15	300	$0.581 \pm 0.070$	--	--	$0.567 \pm 0.007$	-2.41
	323.15	1	$0.928 \pm 0.070$	$1.18 \pm 0.2$	26.94	$0.936 \pm 0.020$	0.86
	323.15	300	$0.754 \pm 0.070$	--	--	$0.754 \pm 0.108$	0.00
	333.15	100	$1.04 \pm 0.07$	$1.32 \pm 0.44$	27.12	$1.04 \pm 0.02$	0.10
	333.15	200	$0.986 \pm 0.070$	--	--	$1.03 \pm 0.03$	4.26
	333.15	300	$0.910 \pm 0.070$	--	--	$0.927 \pm 0.011$	1.87
butan-1-ol	298.2	1	0.927	$1.19 \pm 0.01$	28.48	$0.920 \pm 0.011$	-0.76
	333.2	1	1.84	$2.45 \pm 0.02$	33.20	$2.00 \pm 0.06$	8.86
propanone	303.15	1	$1.94 \pm 0.03$	$1.97 \pm 0.06^*$	1.55	$1.60 \pm 0.01$	-17.63
	333.15	1	$2.89 \pm 0.06$	$3.57 \pm 0.10^*$	23.53	$2.95 \pm 0.16$	2.08
butanal	303.15	1	$1.94 \pm 0.07$	$1.84 \pm 0.08^*$	-5.15	$1.47 \pm 0.03$	-24.48
	333.15	1	$2.68 \pm 0.06$	$3.13 \pm 0.29^*$	16.79	$2.68 \pm 0.13$	-0.07
benzene	313.15	1	2.28	$2.28 \pm 0.08$	0.00	$1.85 \pm 0.02$	-18.86
propane	323.15	103	2.99	$3.10 \pm 0.05$	3.68	$2.55 \pm 0.08$	-14.72

\* Data taken from [1].

Table S3 – Computed self-diffusion coefficients of ethanol ( $D_{11}^{\text{MD}}$ ), experimental ( $D_{11}^{\text{exp}}$ ) and relative deviations (RD) at various temperatures ( $T$ ) and pressure value of 1 bar, considering  $\sigma_{\text{OH}} = 0.312 \text{ nm}$  and  $\sigma_{\text{OH}} = 0.306 \text{ nm}$

$T$ (K)	$D_{11}^{\text{exp}}$ ( $10^{-9} \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ )	$\sigma_{\text{OH}} = 0.312 \text{ nm}$		$\sigma_{\text{OH}} = 0.306 \text{ nm}$	
		$D_{11}^{\text{MD}}$ ( $10^{-9} \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ )	RD (%)	$D_{11}^{\text{MD}}$ ( $10^{-9} \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ )	RD (%)
298.15	1.05	1.40	33.33	1.01	-3.81
308.15	1.30	1.76	35.38	1.29	-0.77
318.15	1.68	2.18	29.76	1.61	-4.17
328.15	2.06	2.69	30.58	2.00	-2.91
333.15	2.37	2.94	24.05	2.23	-5.91

Table S4 – Computed density of ethanol ( $\rho^{\text{MD}}$ ), experimental ( $\rho^{\text{exp}}$ ) and relative deviations (RD) at various temperatures ( $T$ ) and pressures ( $P$ ), considering  $\sigma_{\text{OH}} = 0.312 \text{ nm}$  and  $\sigma_{\text{OH}} = 0.306 \text{ nm}$

$T$ (K)	$P$ (bar)	$\rho^{\text{exp}}$ ( $\text{kg m}^{-3}$ )	$\sigma_{\text{OH}} = 0.312 \text{ nm}$		$\sigma_{\text{OH}} = 0.306 \text{ nm}$	
			$\rho^{\text{MD}}$ ( $\text{kg m}^{-3}$ )	RD (%)	$\rho^{\text{MD}}$ ( $\text{kg m}^{-3}$ )	RD (%)
298.15	1	786	794	1.02	806	2.54
308.15	1	776	783	0.90	796	2.58
308.15	300	795	805	0.63	817	2.77
318.15	1	767	771	0.26	785	2.08
328.15	1	759	759	0.00	773	1.84
333.15	1	754	754	-0.29	768	1.59
333.15	300	782	780	-0.13	793	1.41

Table S5 – Number of solute molecules used for each system simulated.

Solute	No. of molecules
quercetin	4
gallic acid	7
ibuprofen	7
butan-1-ol	12
propanone	15
butanal	13
benzene	12
propane	20

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