

To bind or not to bind? A comprehensive characterization of TIR1 and auxins using consensus *in silico* approaches.

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**Table S1.** Parameters used for OpenGrowth in the present study.

Parameter	Value
SCORING_FUNCTION	SMOG2016
BINDING_SITE_X	7.535
BINDING_SITE_Y	-111.72
BINDING_SITE_Z	-25.923
BINDINGBOX_SIZE	0.50
MODE	DENOVO
GROWTH_MODE	FOG
VDW_SCALE_INTER	0.70
VDW_SCALE_INTRA	0.70
ROTATION_PRECISION	24
OPTIMIZATION_MODE	22
OPTIMIZATION_NUMBER	20
OPTIMIZATION_ITERATION	10
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MAX_FRAGMENTS	20
MAX_ATOMS	60
MAX_MW	550
MAX_ITERATIONS	10
AVERAGE_TYPE	ARITHMETIC

**Table S2.** Molecular descriptors selected by the Boruta algorithm.

Descriptor	Description
nAromBond	aromatic bonds count
ATS8se	Moreau-Broto autocorrelation of lag 8
AATS1d	averaged Moreau-Broto autocorrelation of lag 1 weighted by sigma electrons
ATSC7i	centered Moreau-Broto autocorrelation of lag 7 weighted by ionization potential
SdssC	Sum of electrotopological state indexes (dssC)
SdO	Sum of dO
ATS6d	Moreau-Broto autocorrelation of lag 6 weighted by sigma electrons

**Table S3.** Loading values from principal component analyses for the Boruta defined space and RO5 space.

PC#	Boruta space	RO5 space
1	26.67	46.65
2	16.57	25.44
3	14.72	14.82
4	14.24	8.32
5	13.5	3.17
6	8.90	1.6
7	5.4	---

**Table S4.** Hyperparameter values determined by grid search for the trained classifiers only with physicochemical descriptors.

Classifier	Hyperparameters	Values
Logistic Regression	penalty, solver, C, class_weight	l2, lbfgs, 10000, balanced
Support vector classifier	kernel, C, gamma	rbf, 1, 0.1
Random Forest classifier	criterion, max_features, min_samples_leaf, min_samples_split, n_estimators	gini, auto, 4, 2, 1000
XGboost classifier	n_estimators, booster	50, gblinear

**Table S5.** Hyperparameter values determined by grid search for the trained classifiers with physicochemical and structural descriptors.

Classifier	Hyperparameters	Values
Logistic Regression	penalty, solver, C, class_weight	l2, newton-cg, 10000, balanced
Support vector classifier	kernel, C	linear, 1
Random Forest classifier	criterion, max_features, min_samples_leaf, min_samples_split, n_estimators	entropy, sqrt, 1, 10, 800
XGboost classifier	n_estimators, booster	200, dart

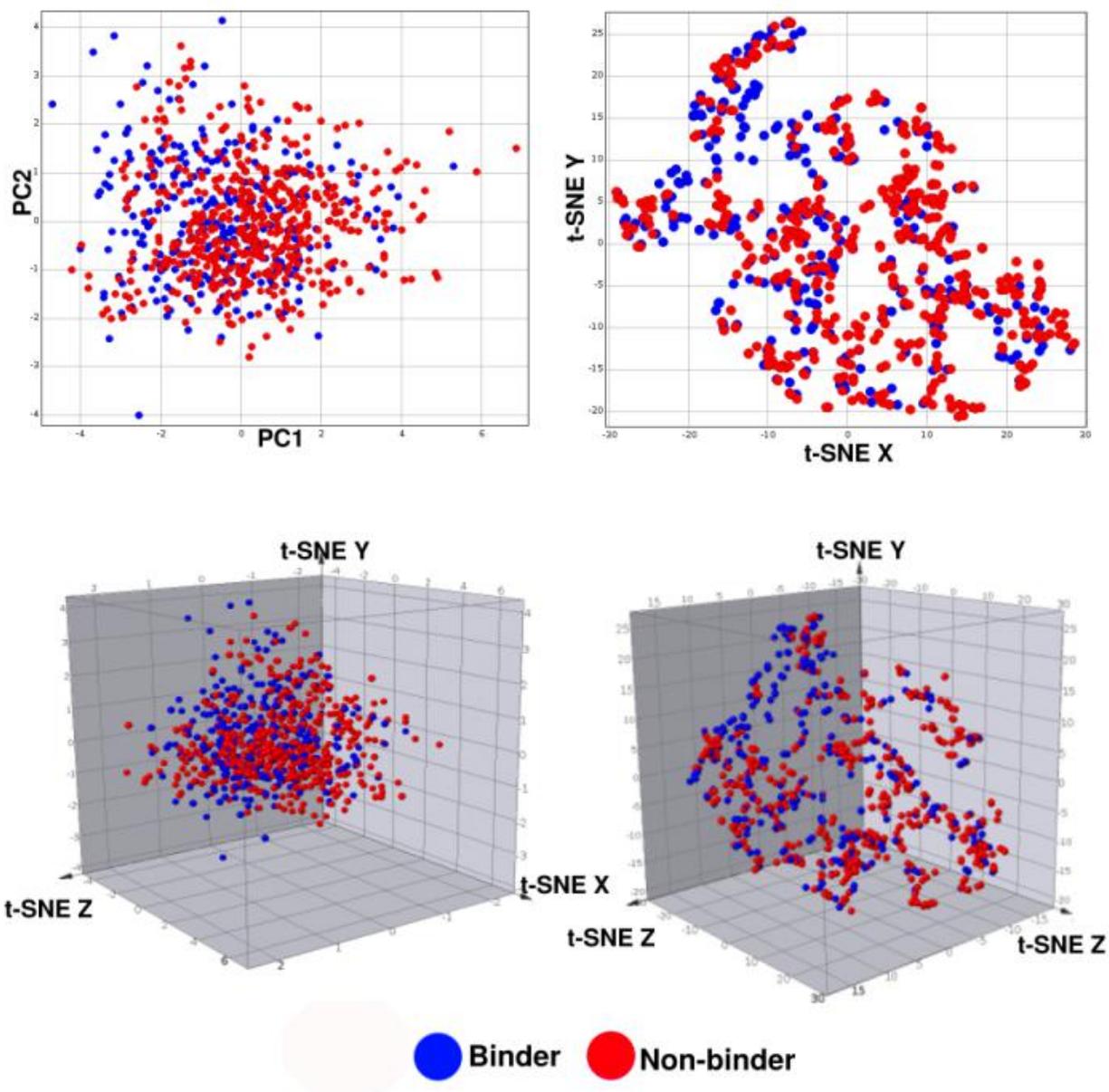
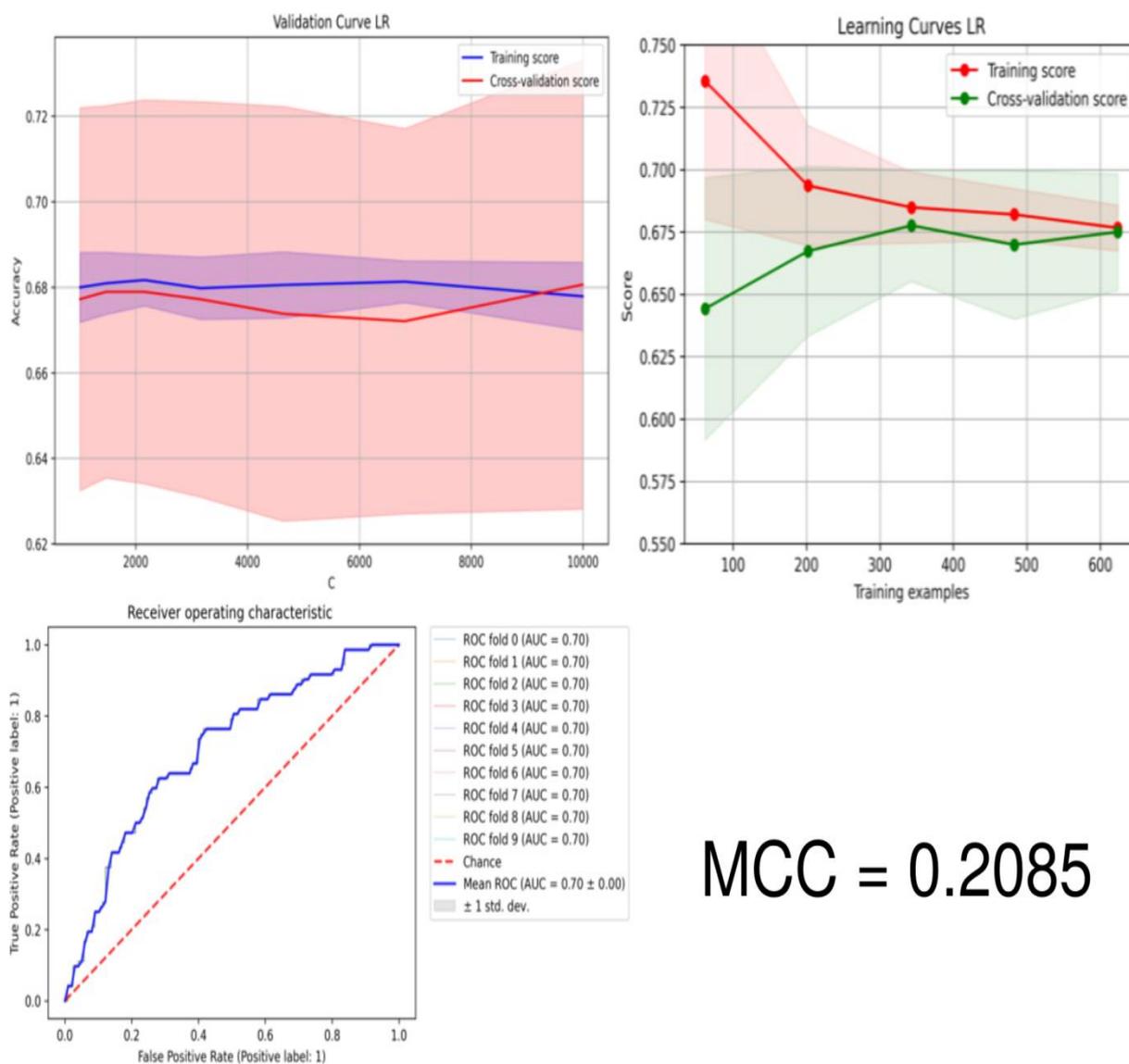
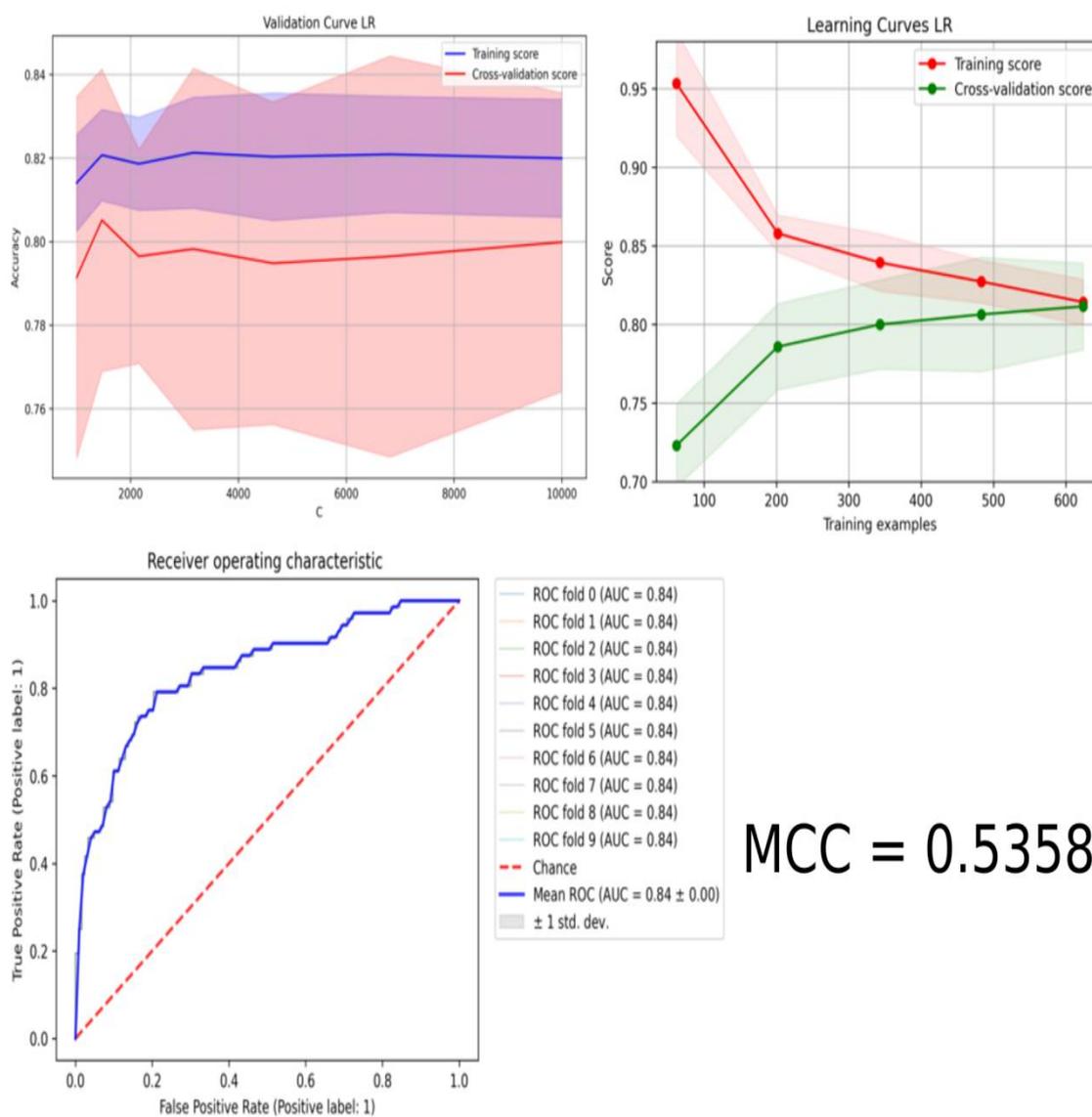


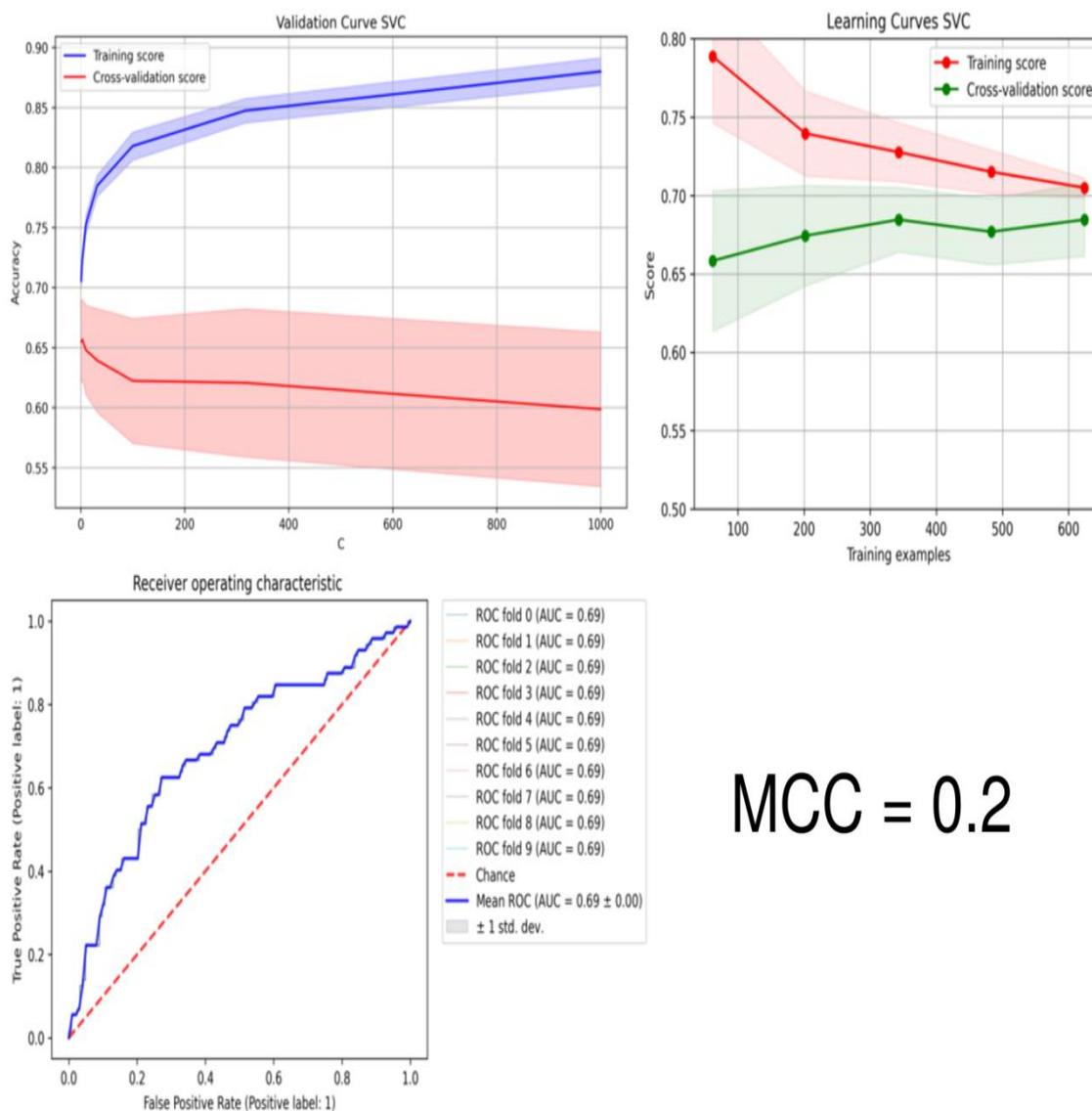
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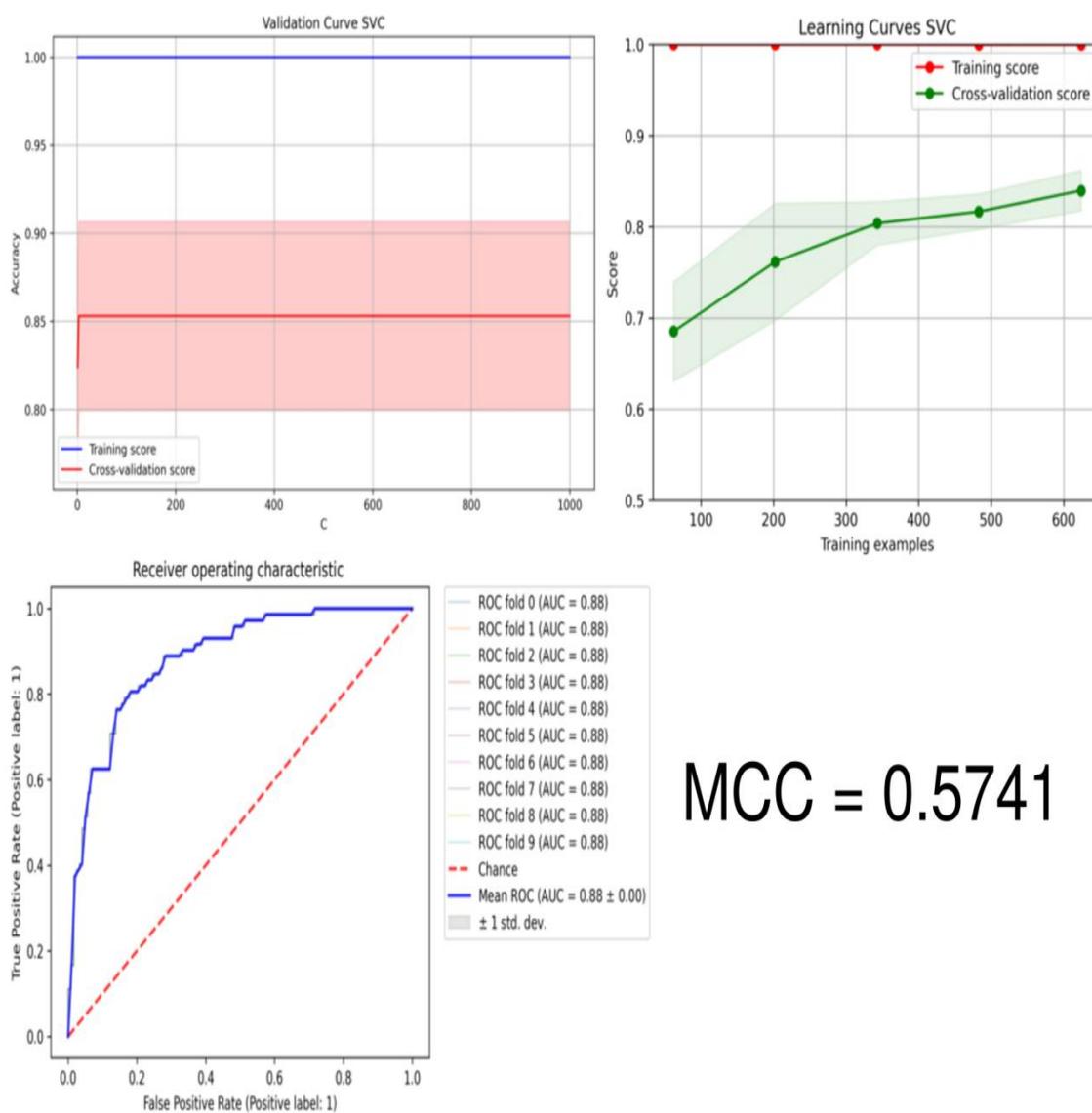
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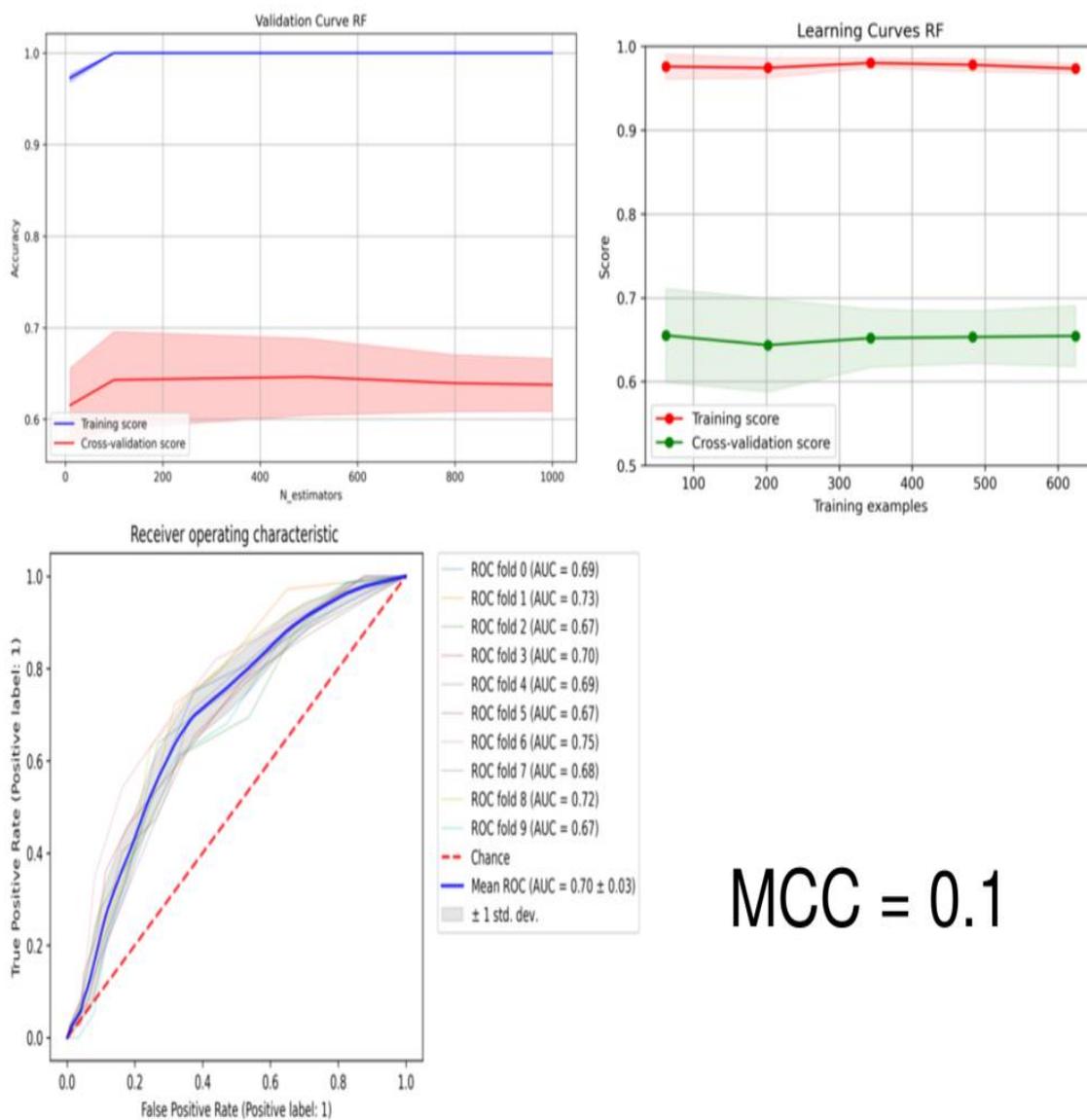


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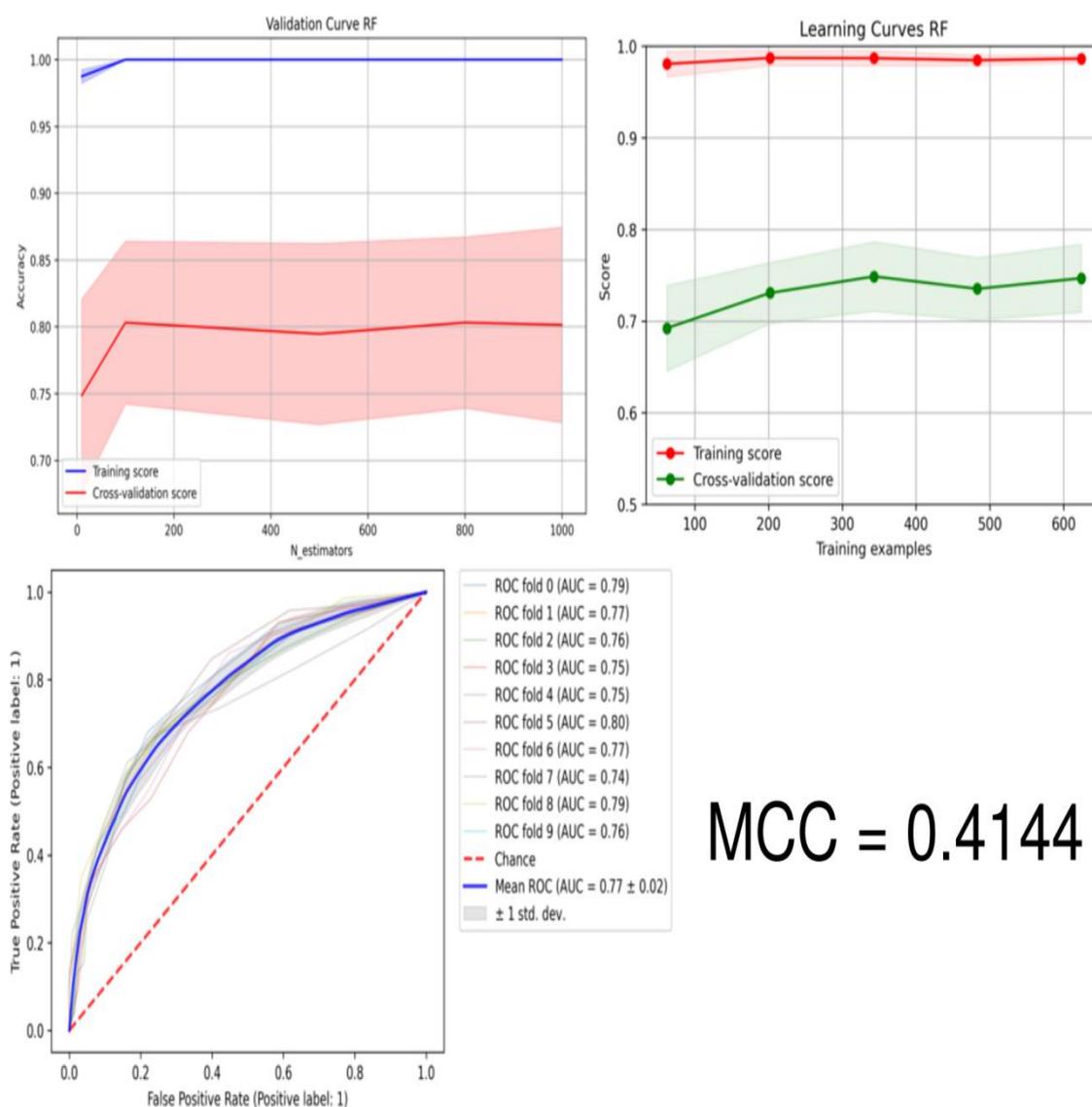


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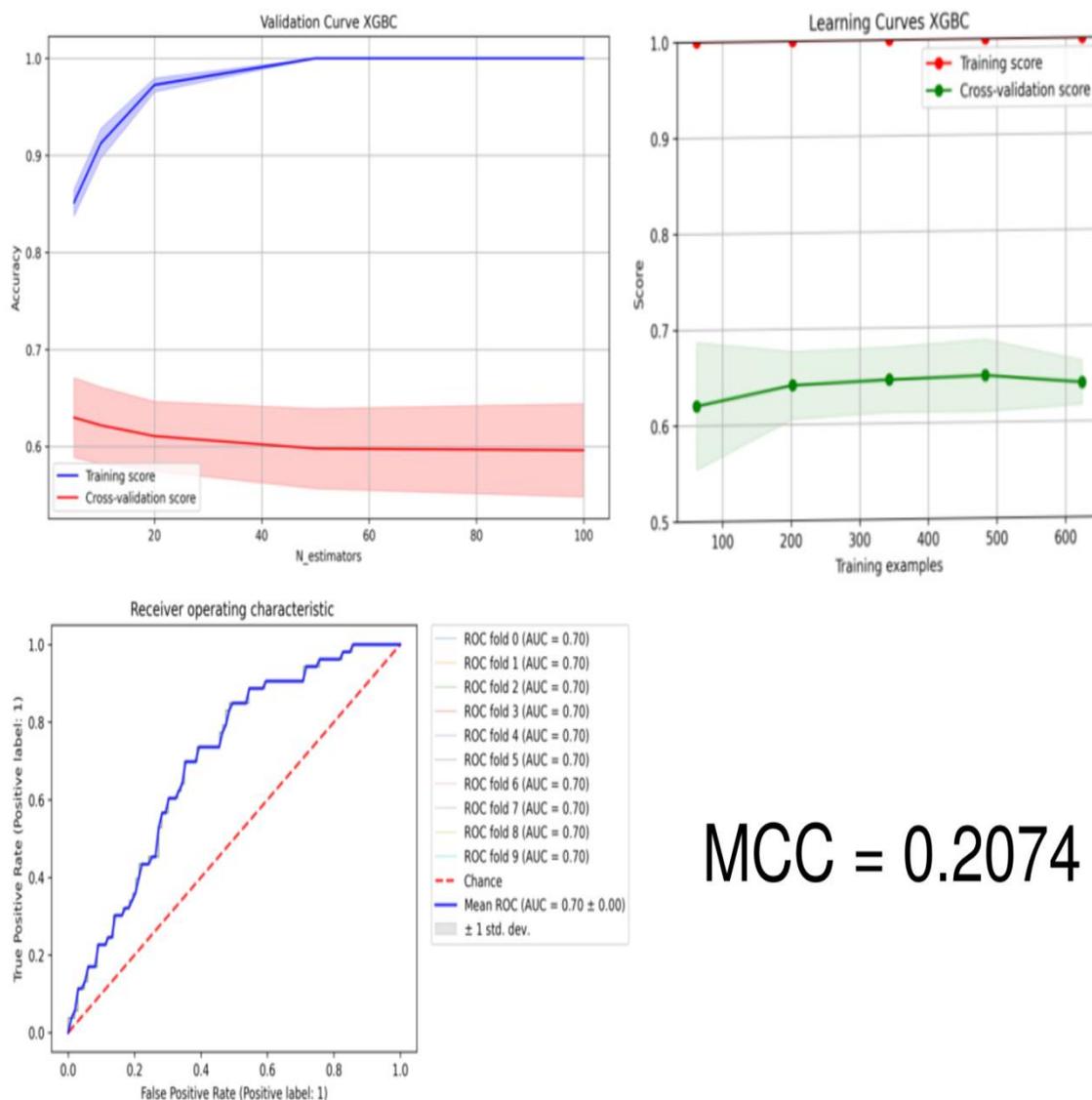
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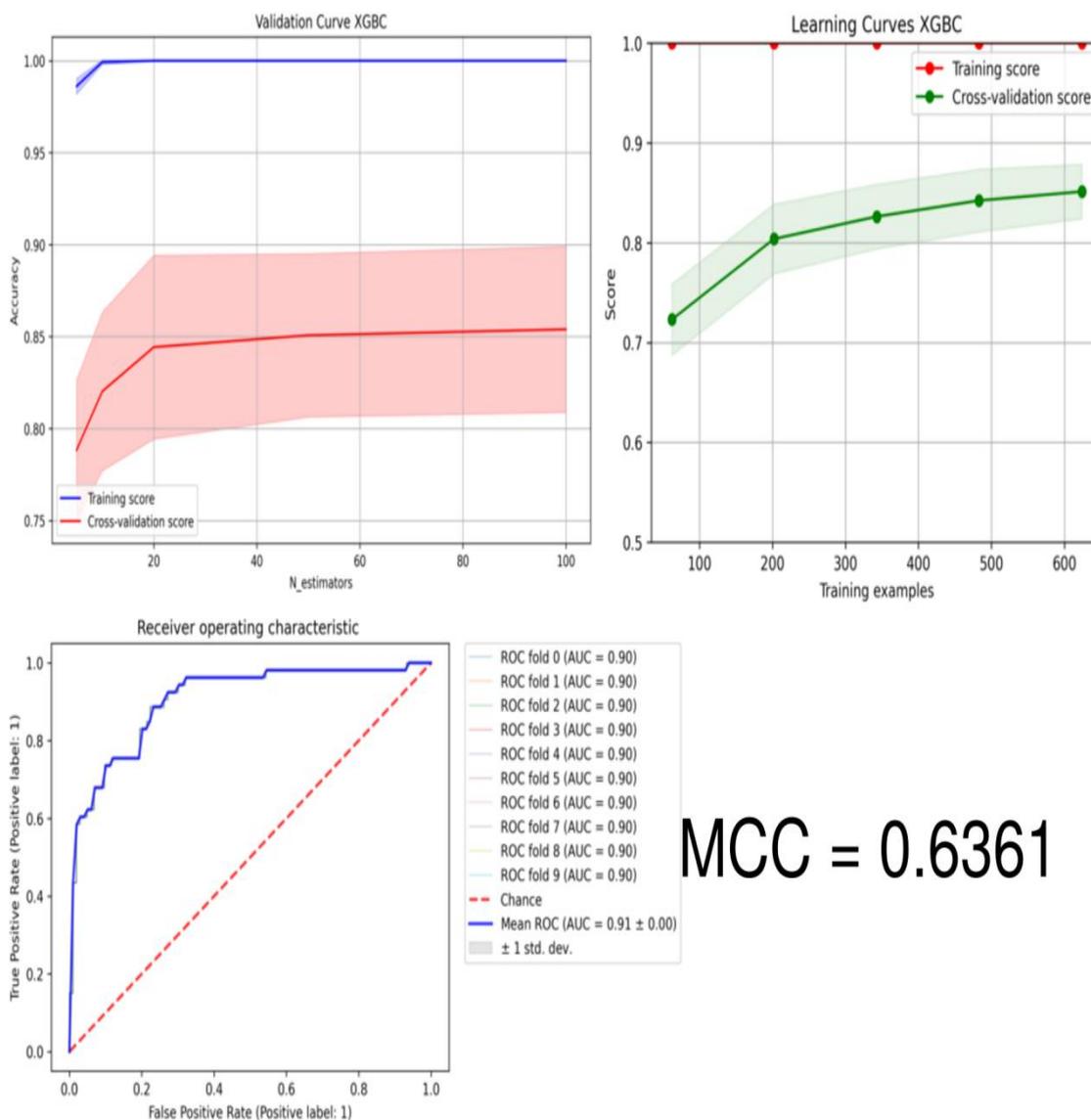


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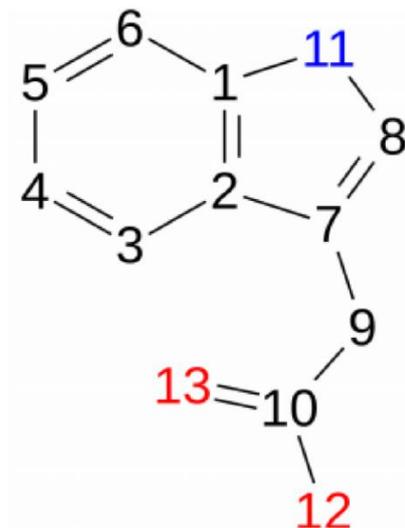
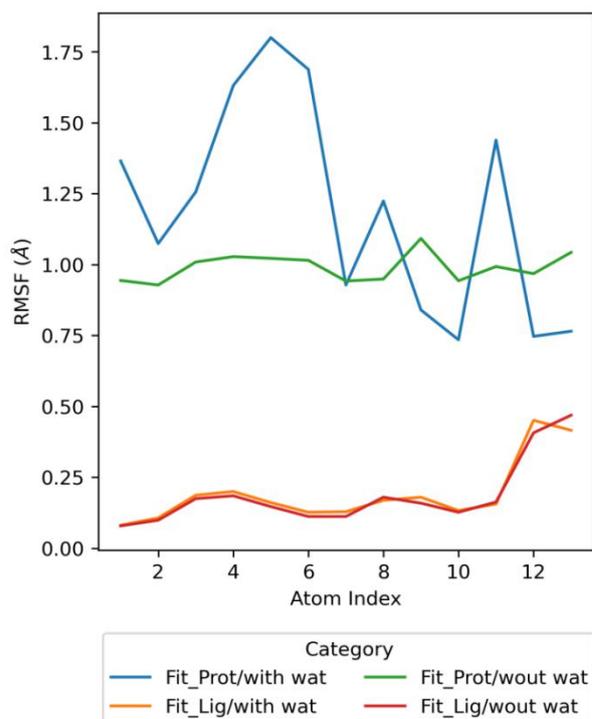


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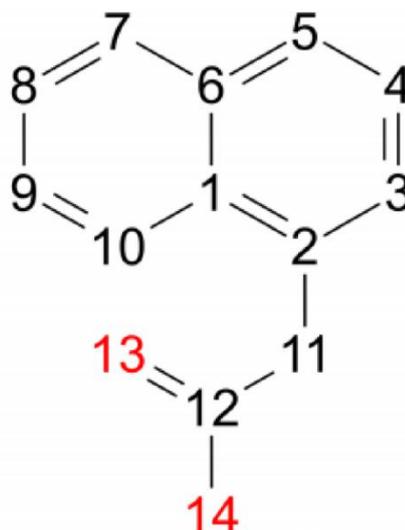
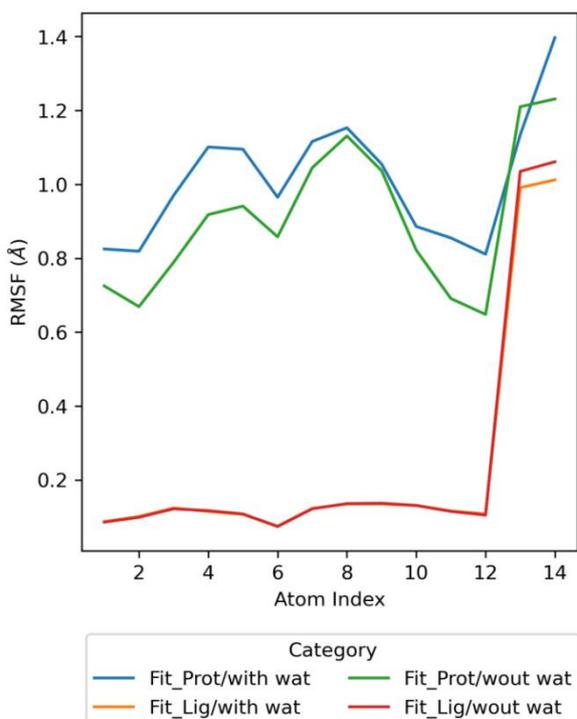
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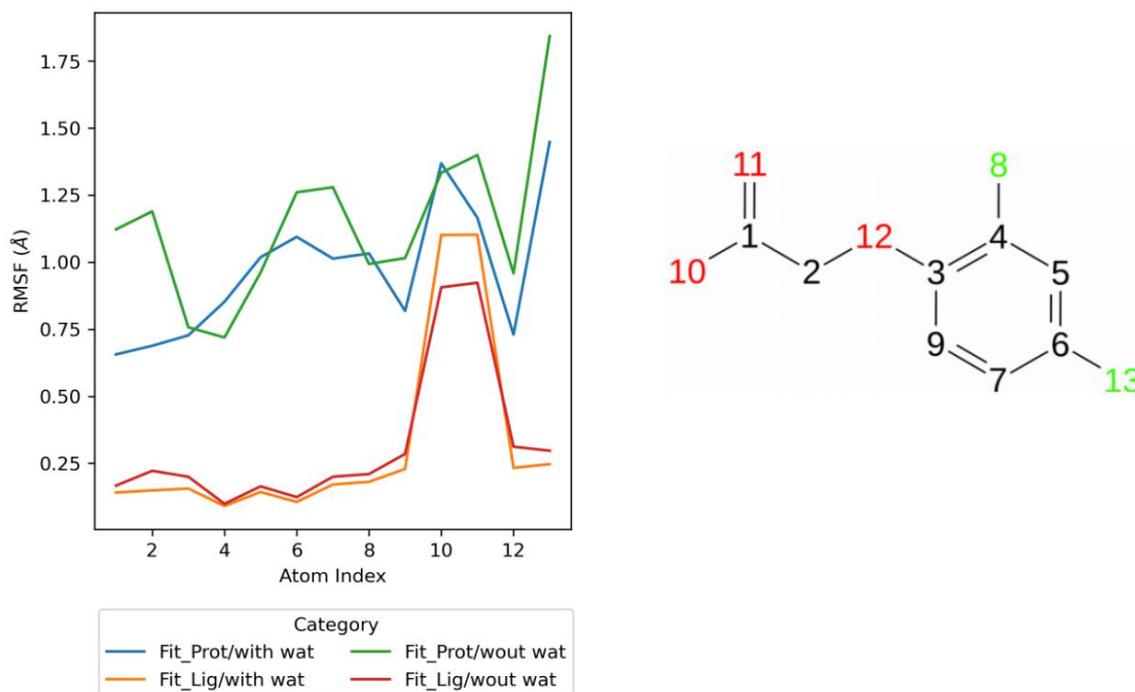
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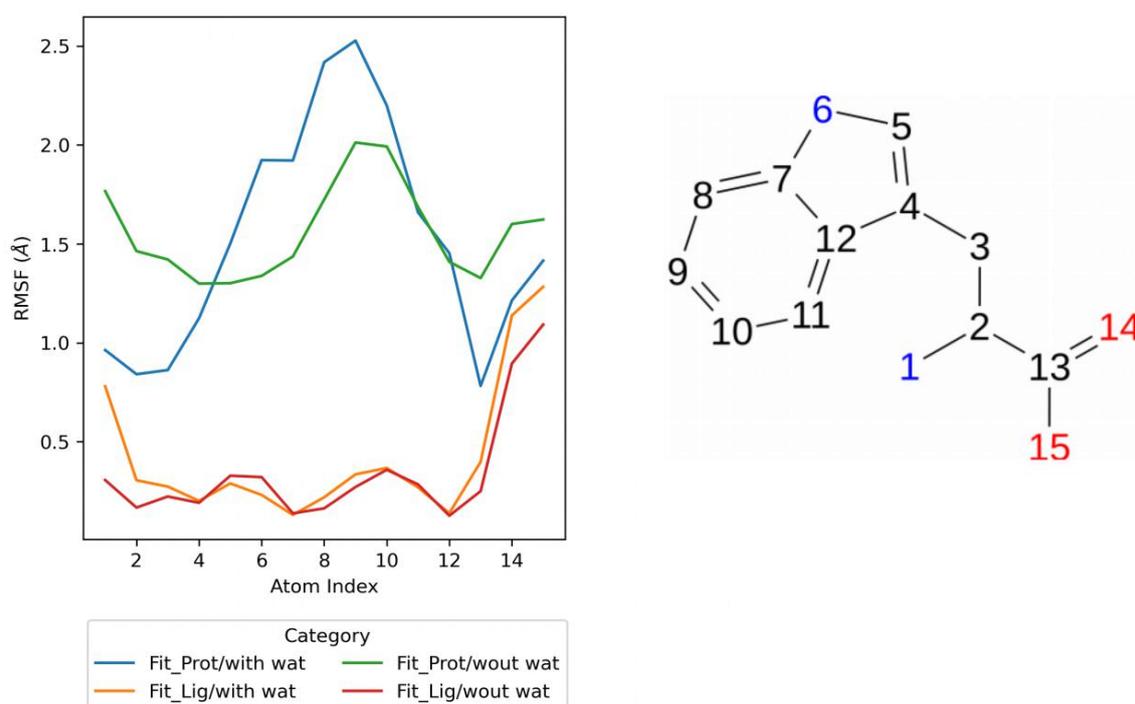
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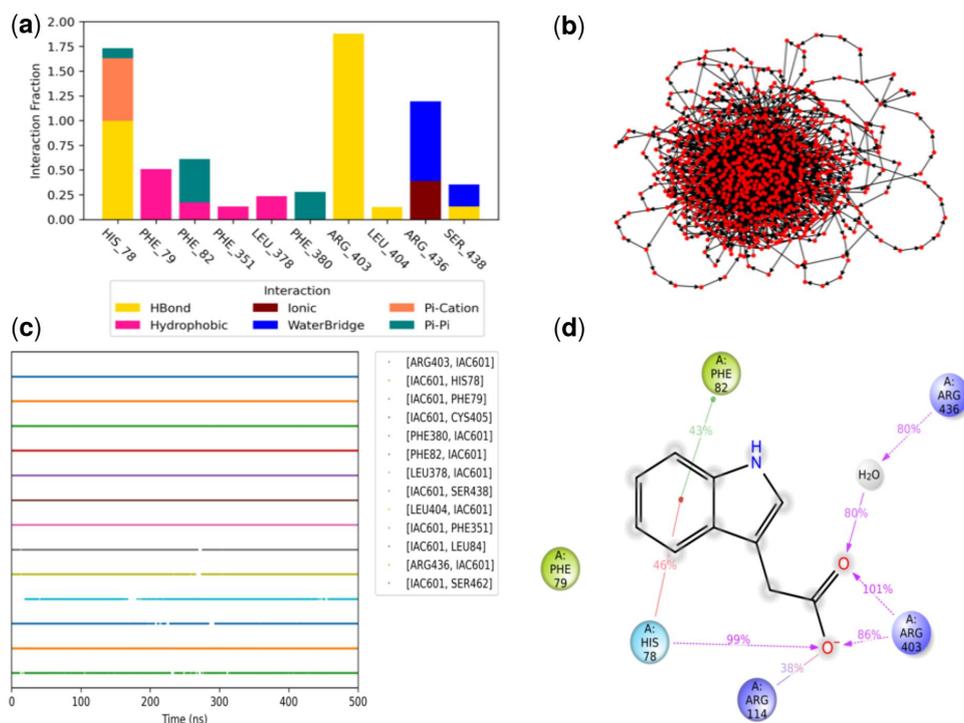
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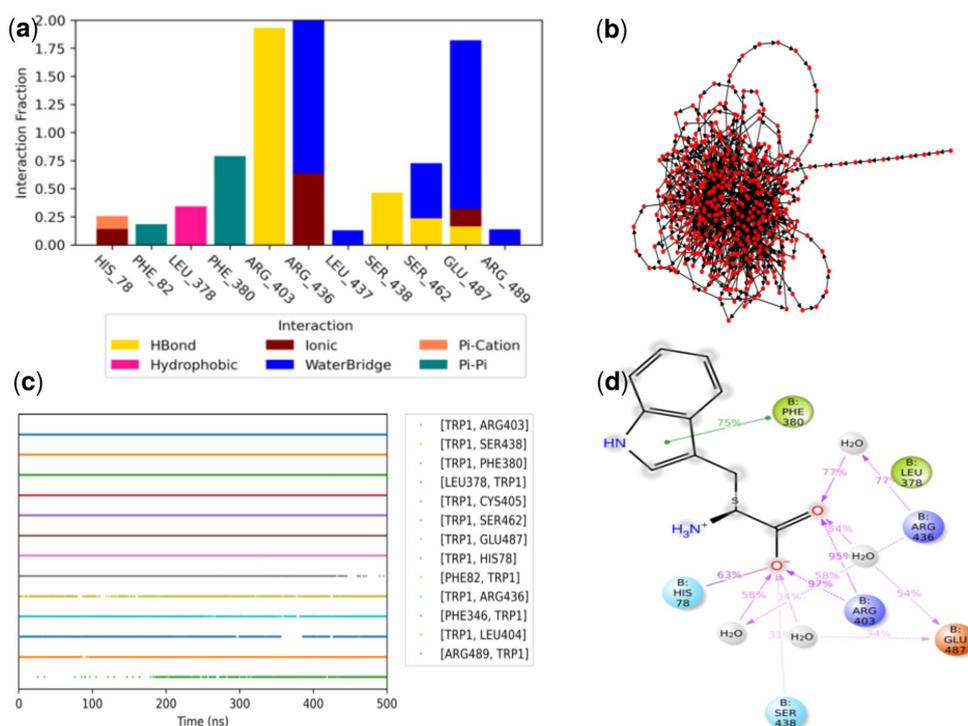
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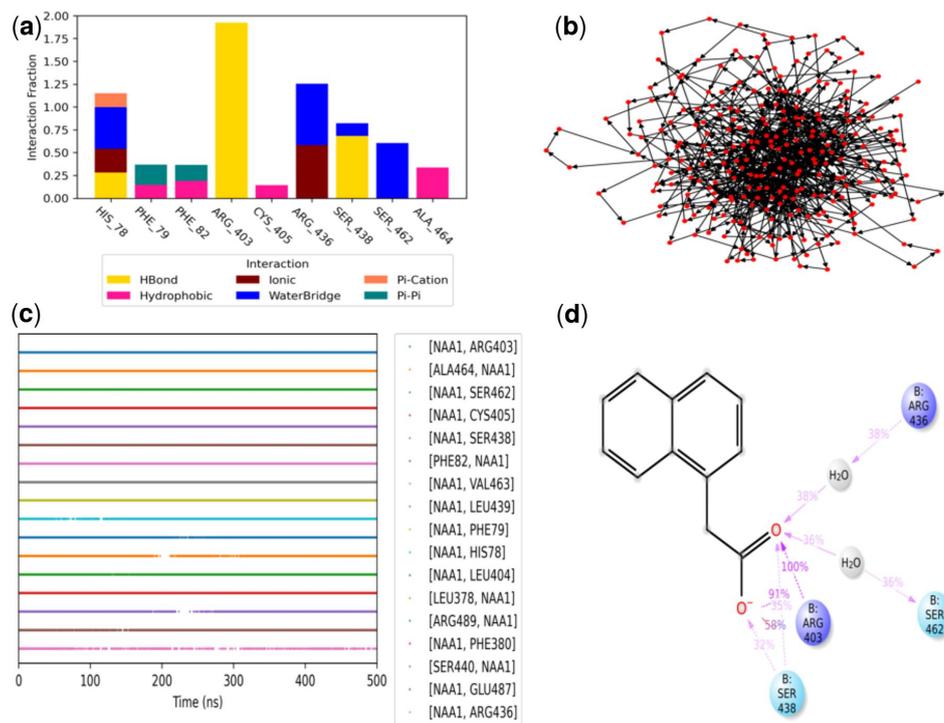
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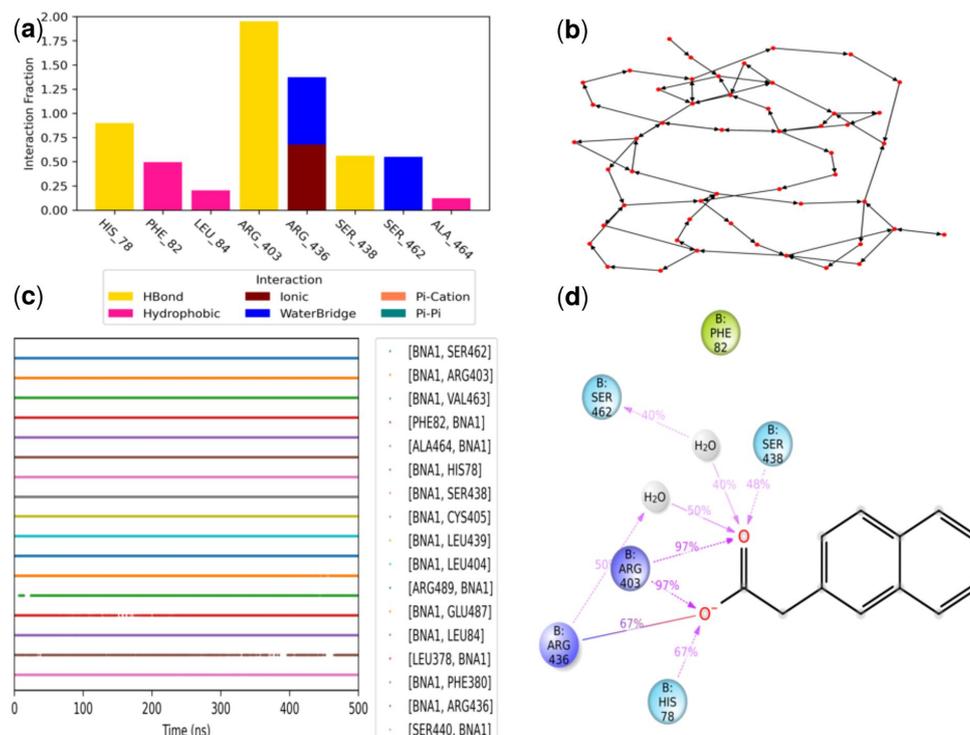
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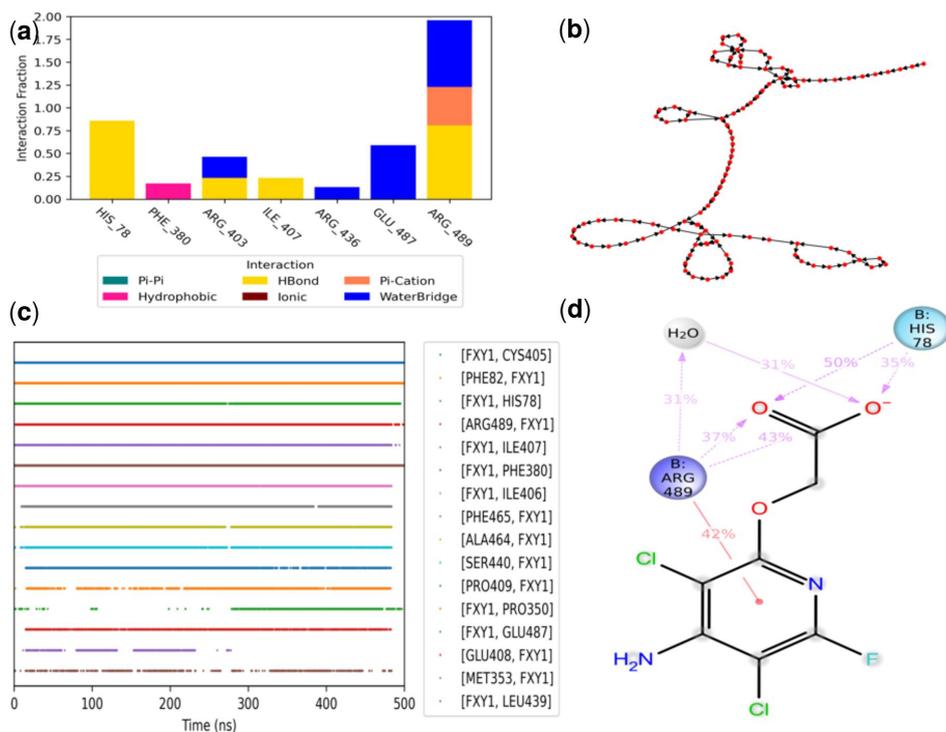
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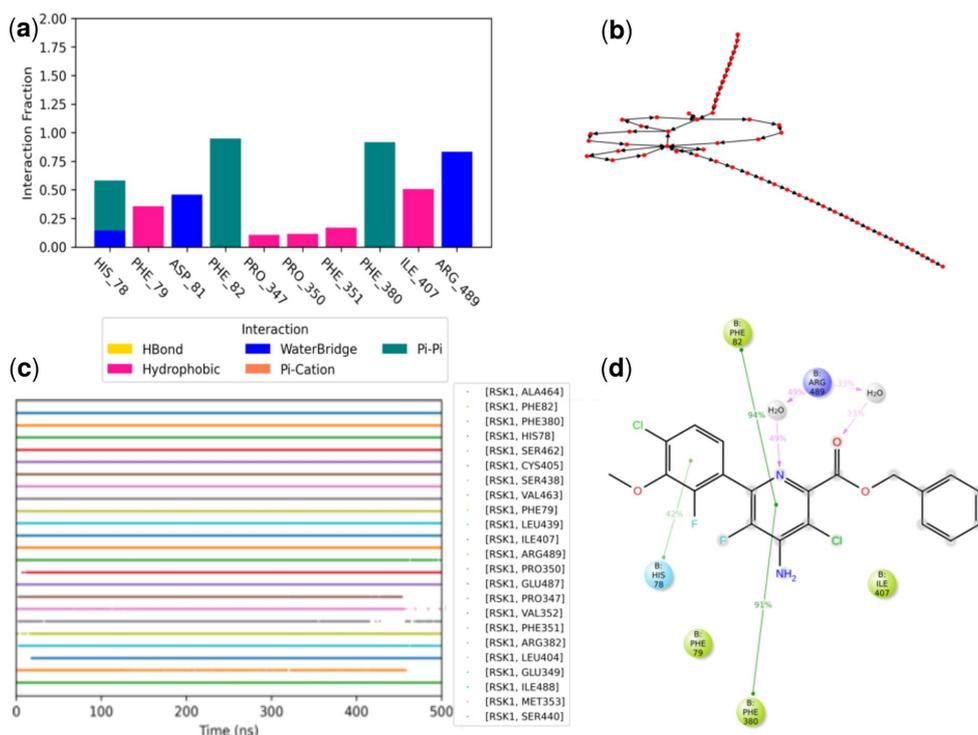
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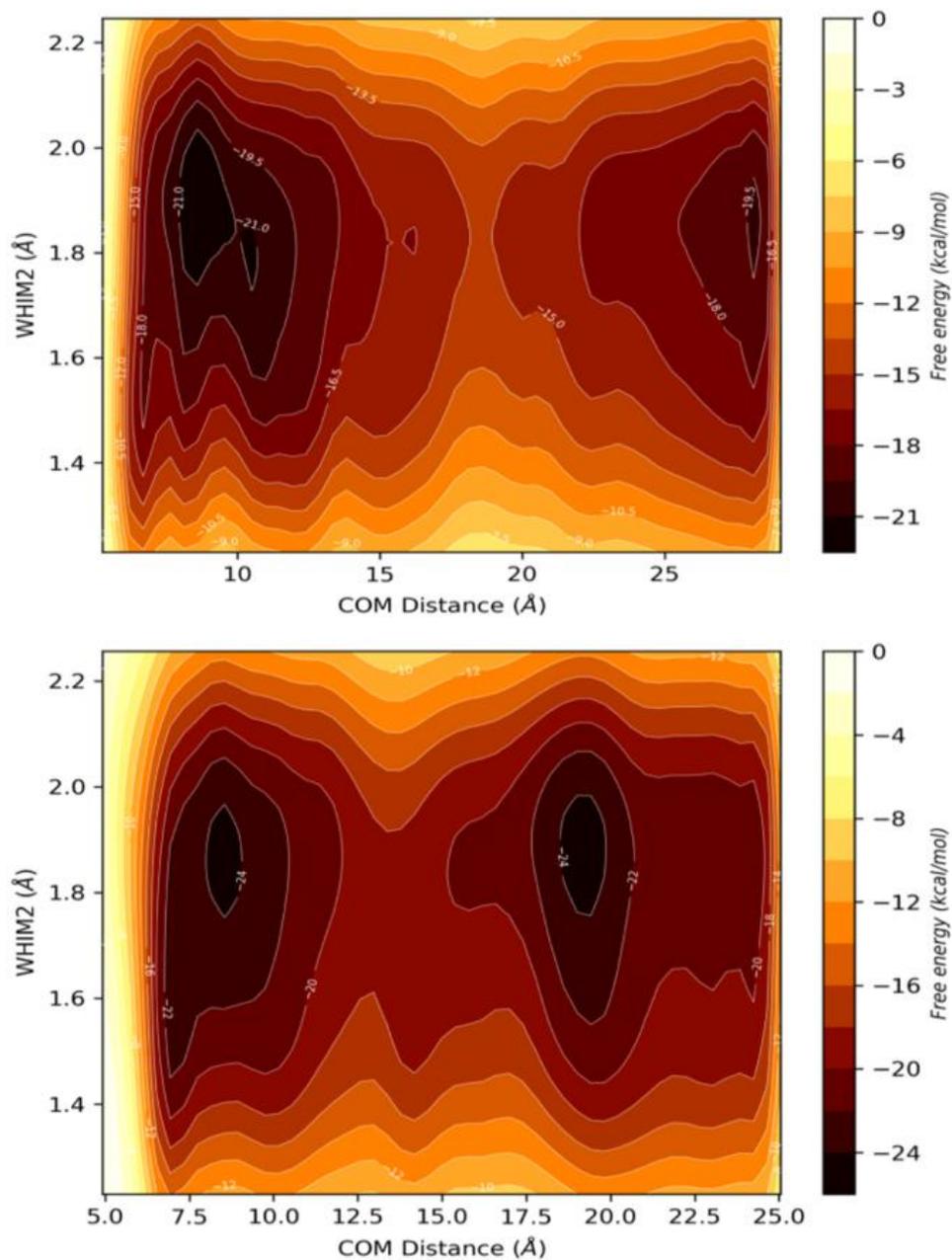
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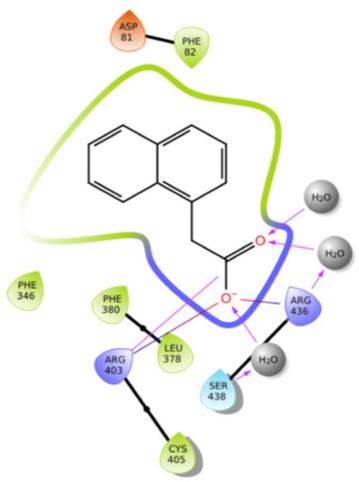


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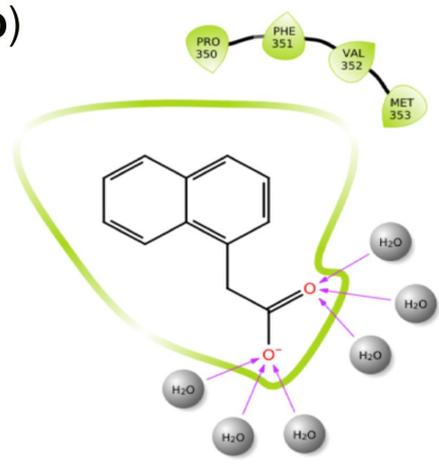


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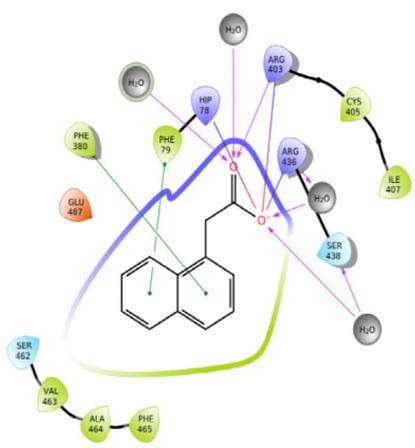
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(b)



(c)



(d)

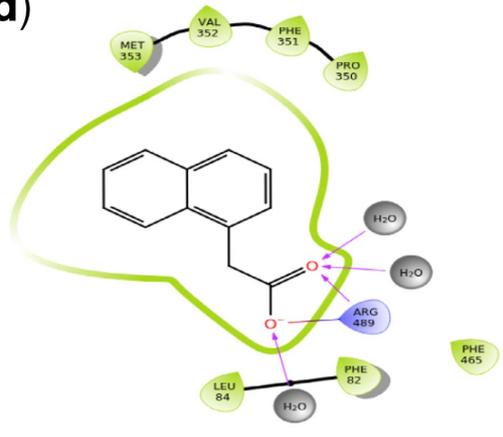
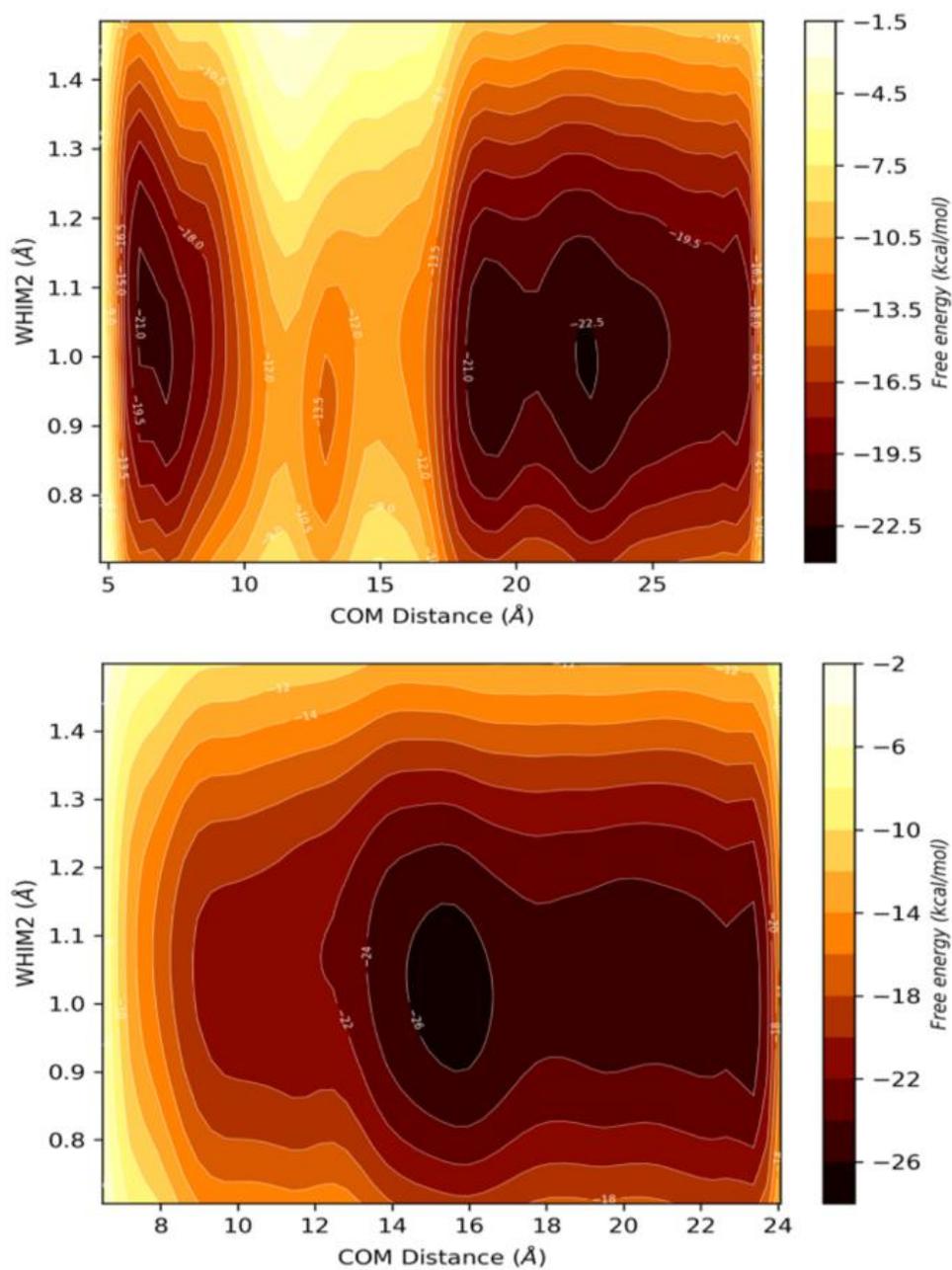
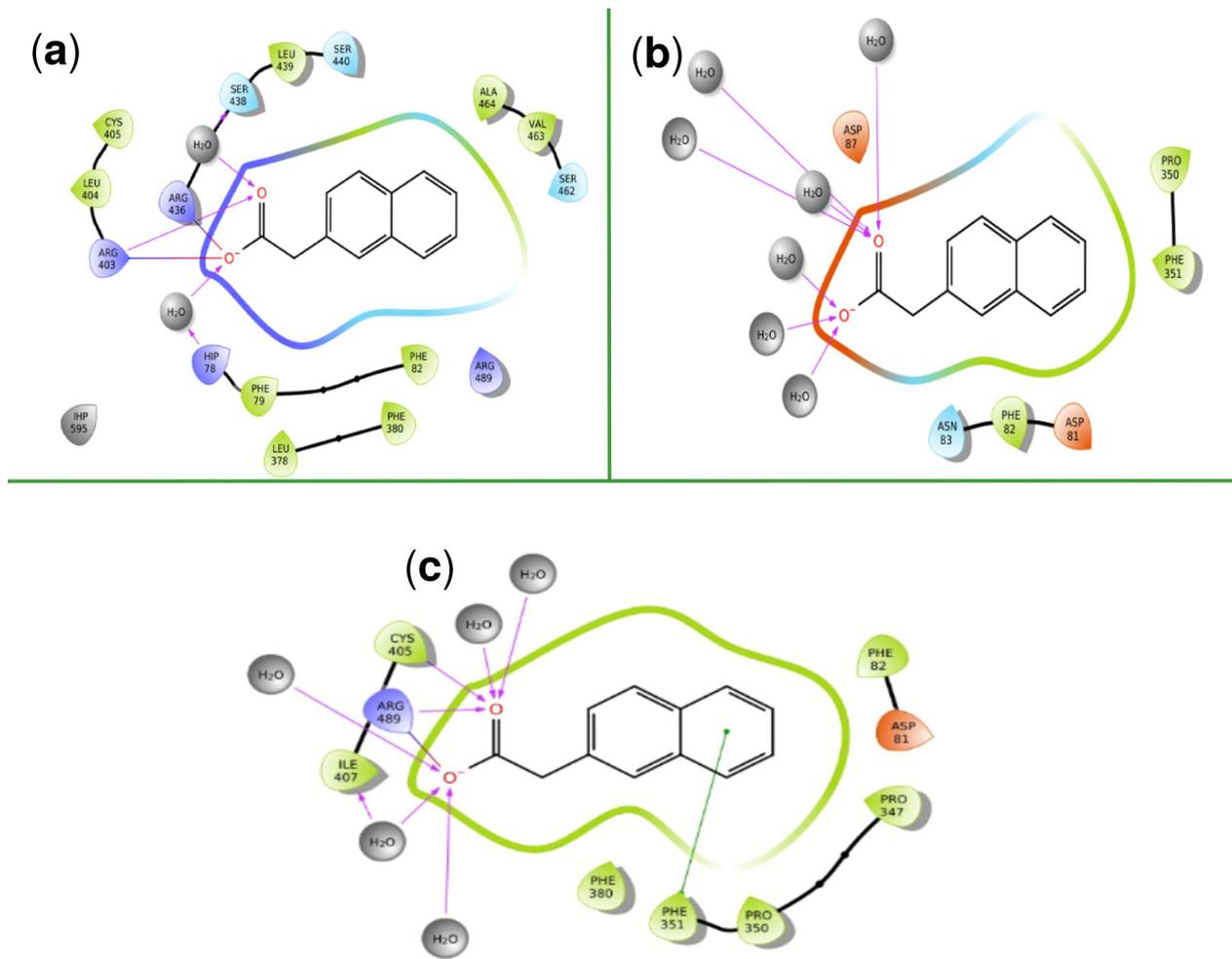


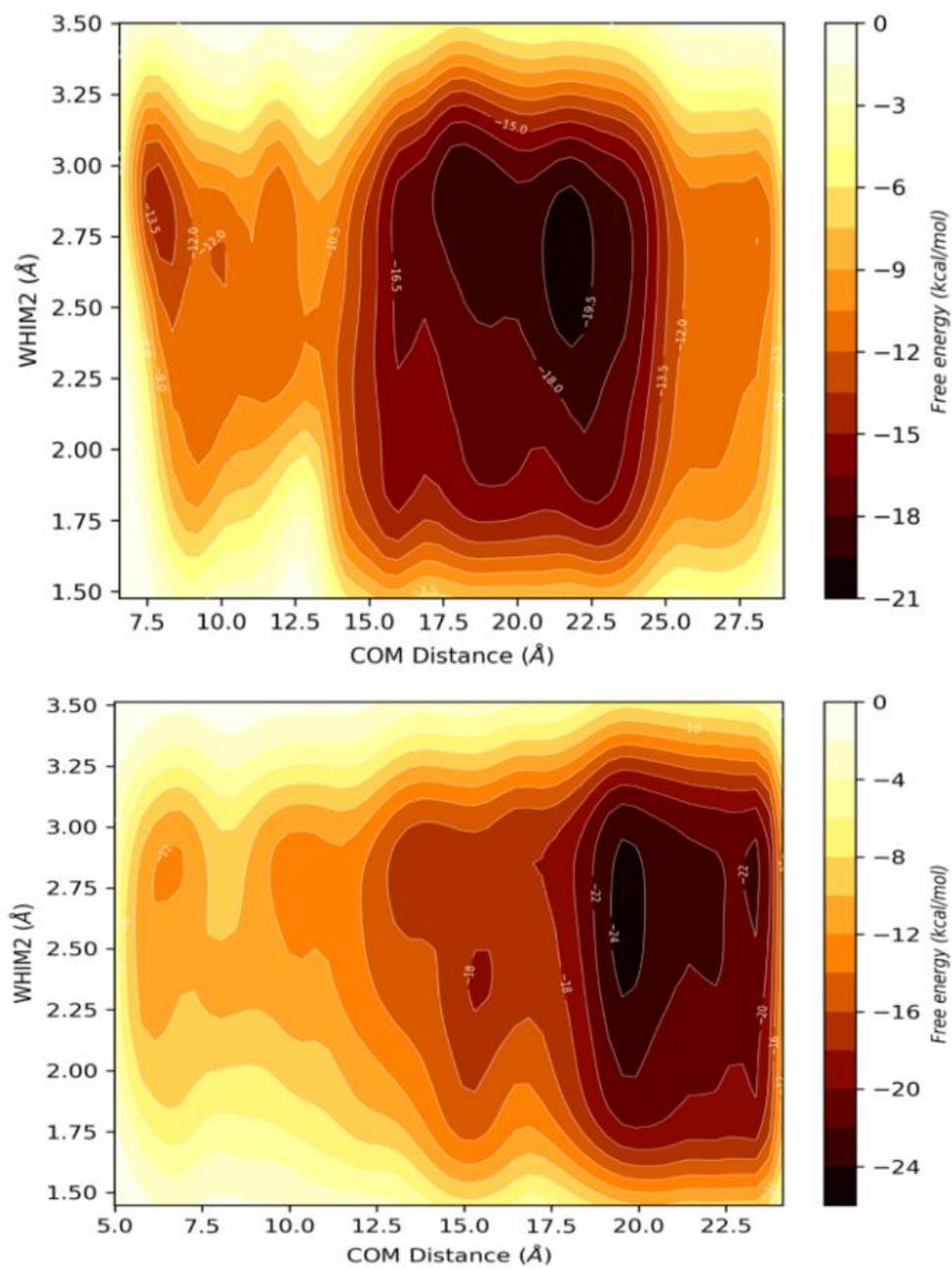
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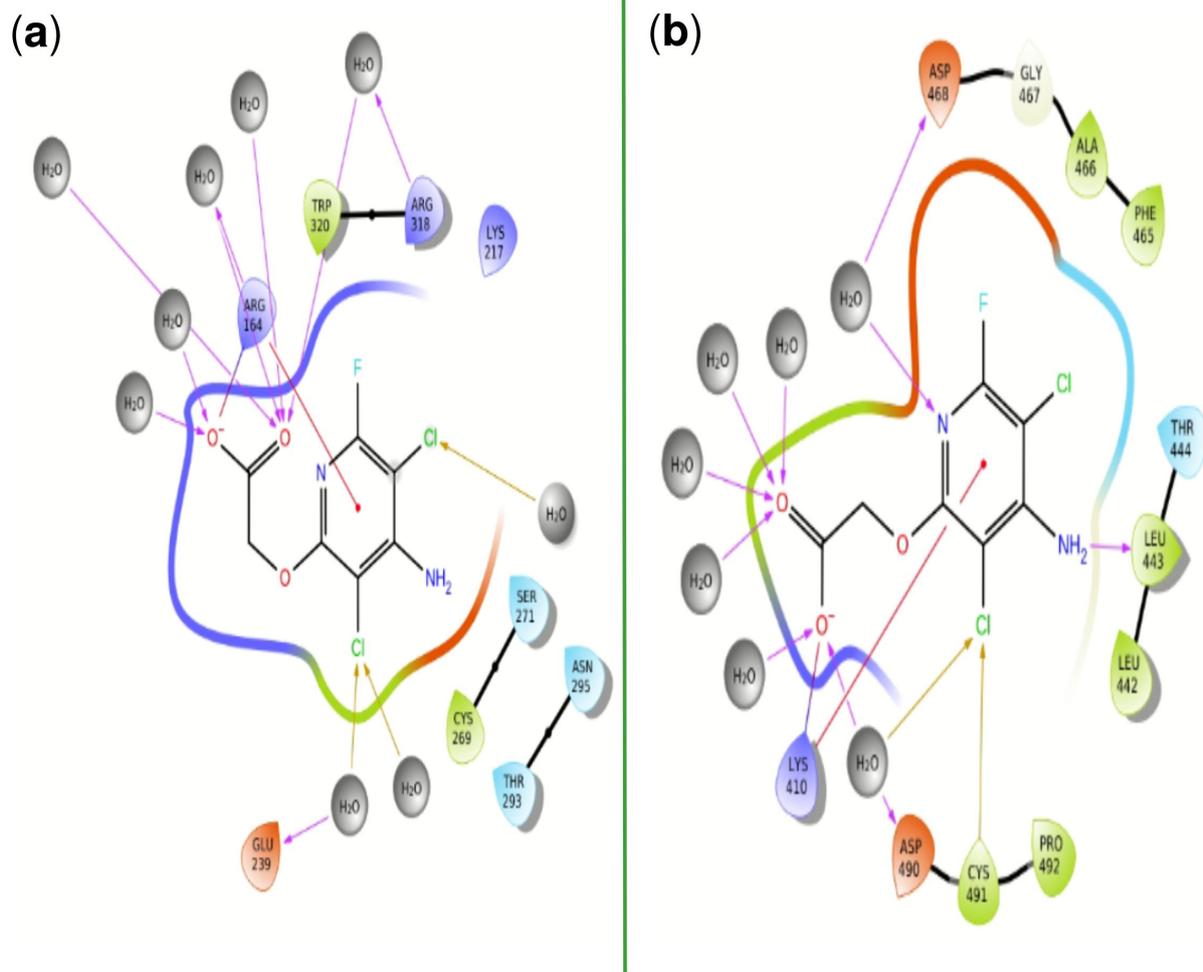
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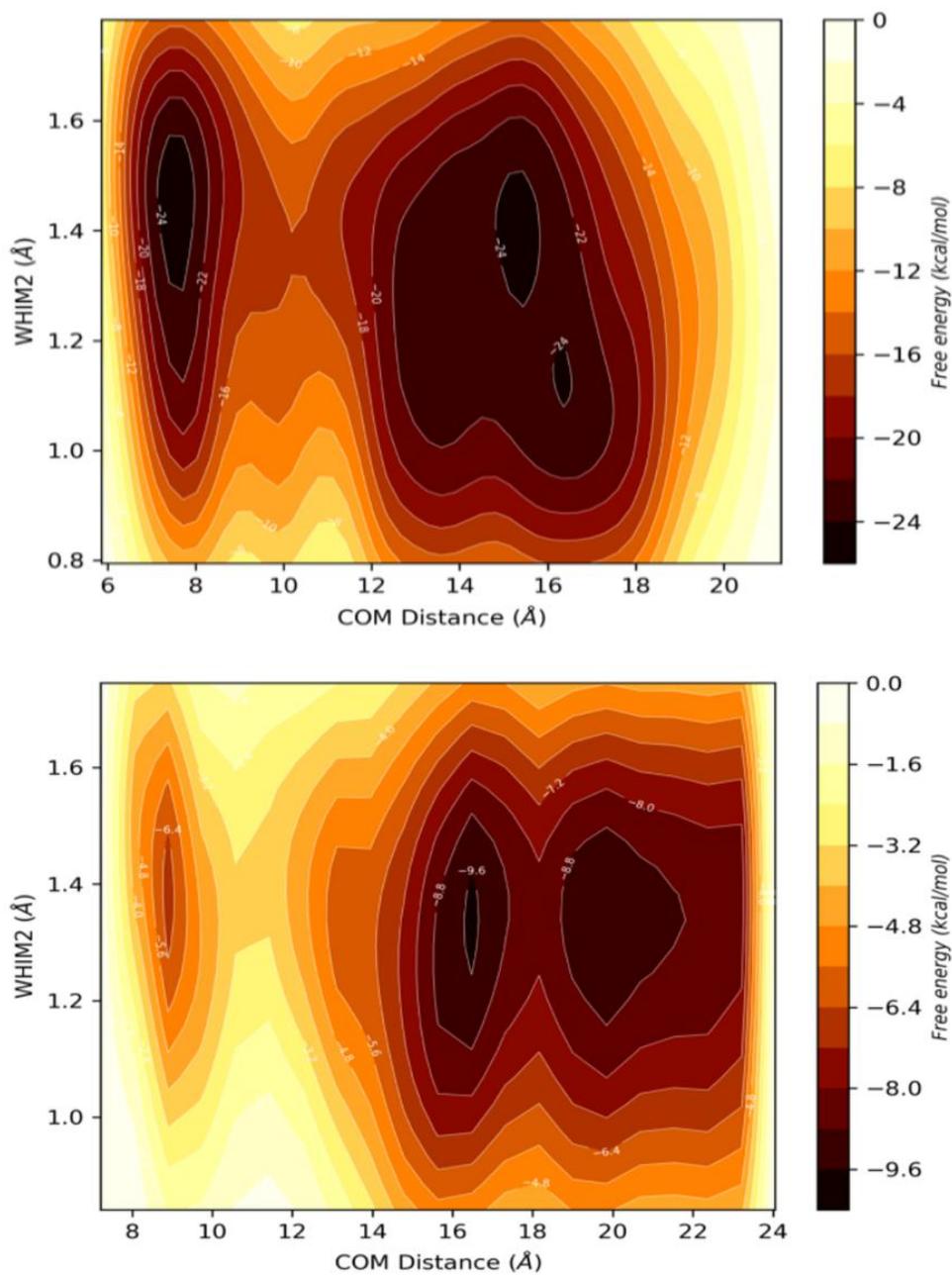
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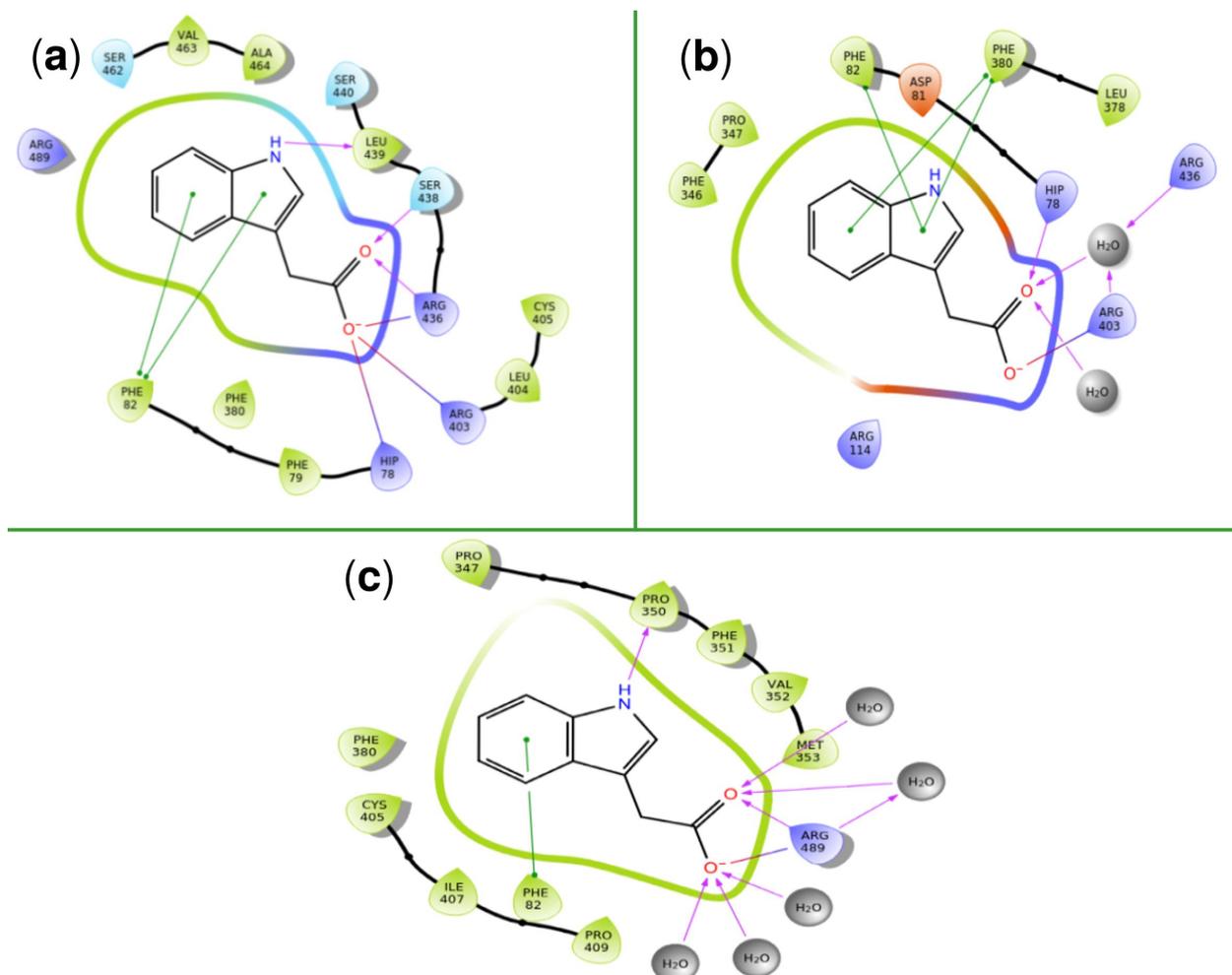
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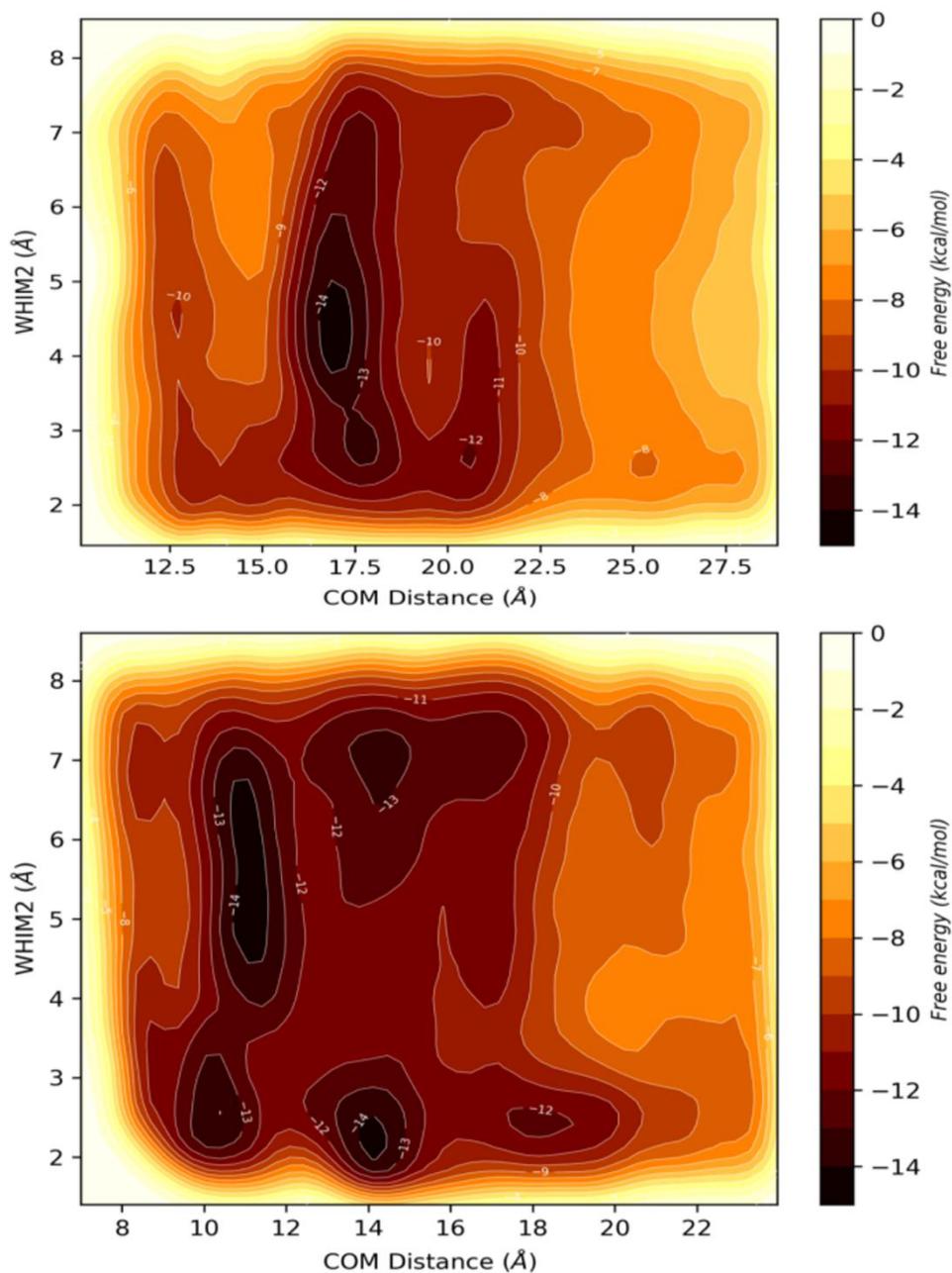
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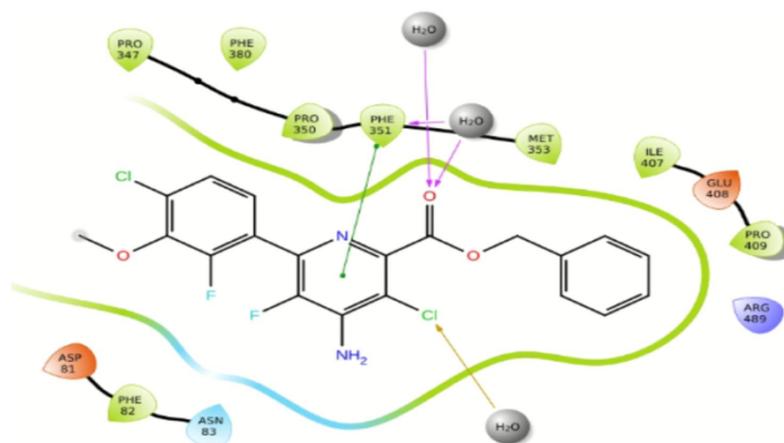


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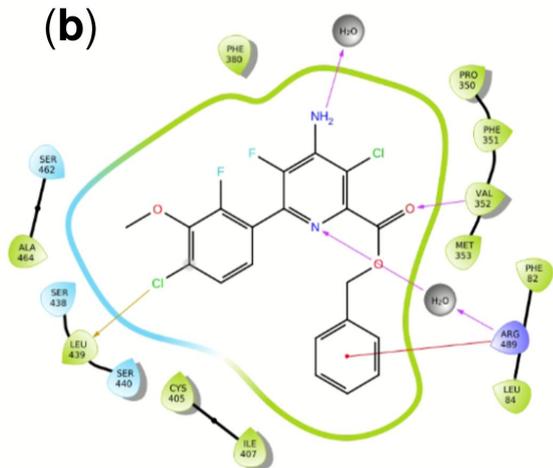


**Figure 28.** Free energy surfaces computed from well-tempered metadynamics for the RSK-TIR1 complexes. With ligand positioned within the binding site (top) and positioned within the engagement niche (bottom).

(a)



(b)



(c)

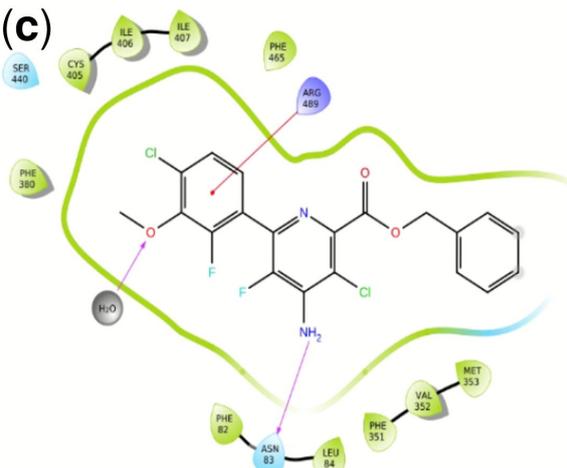
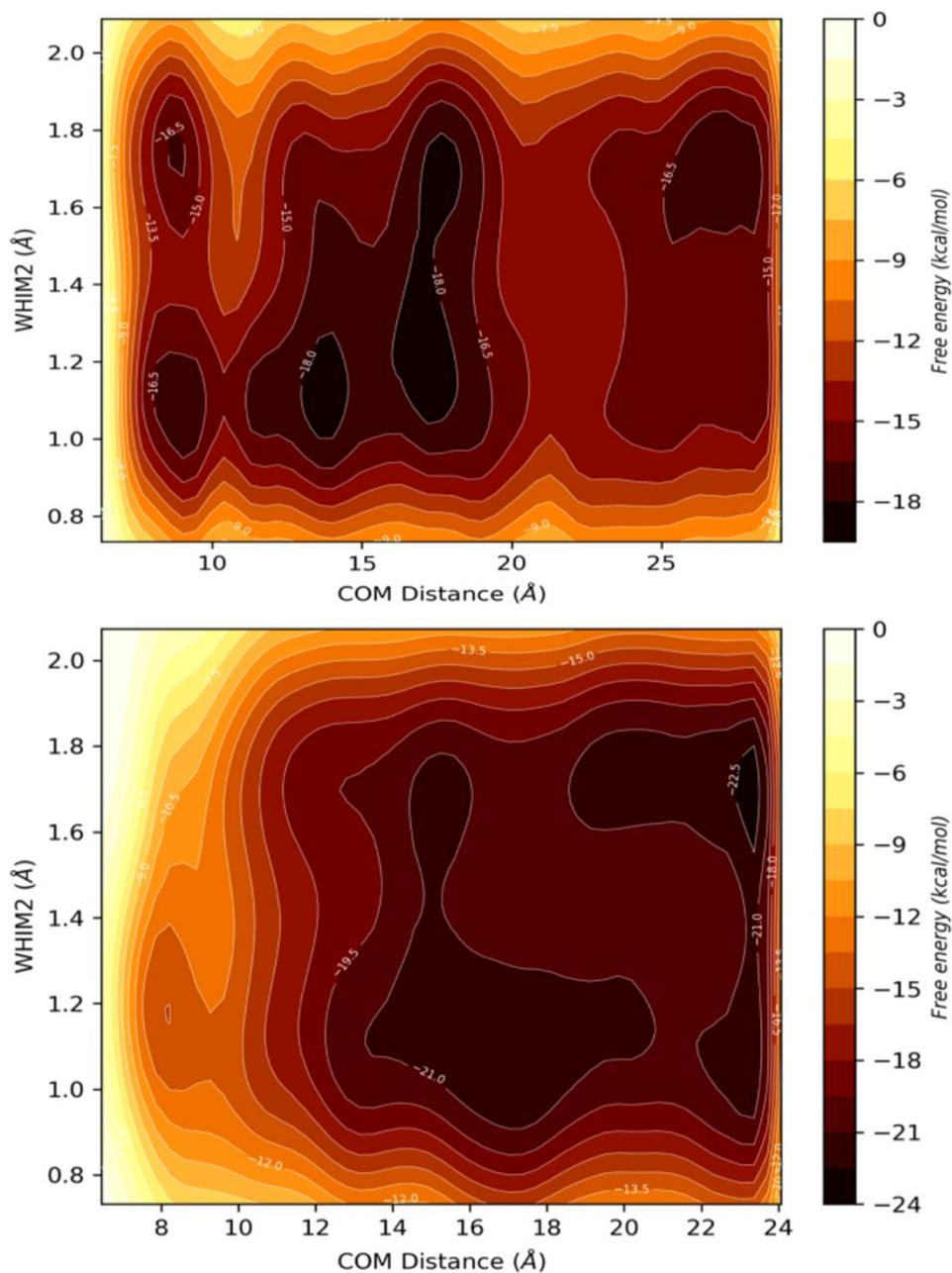
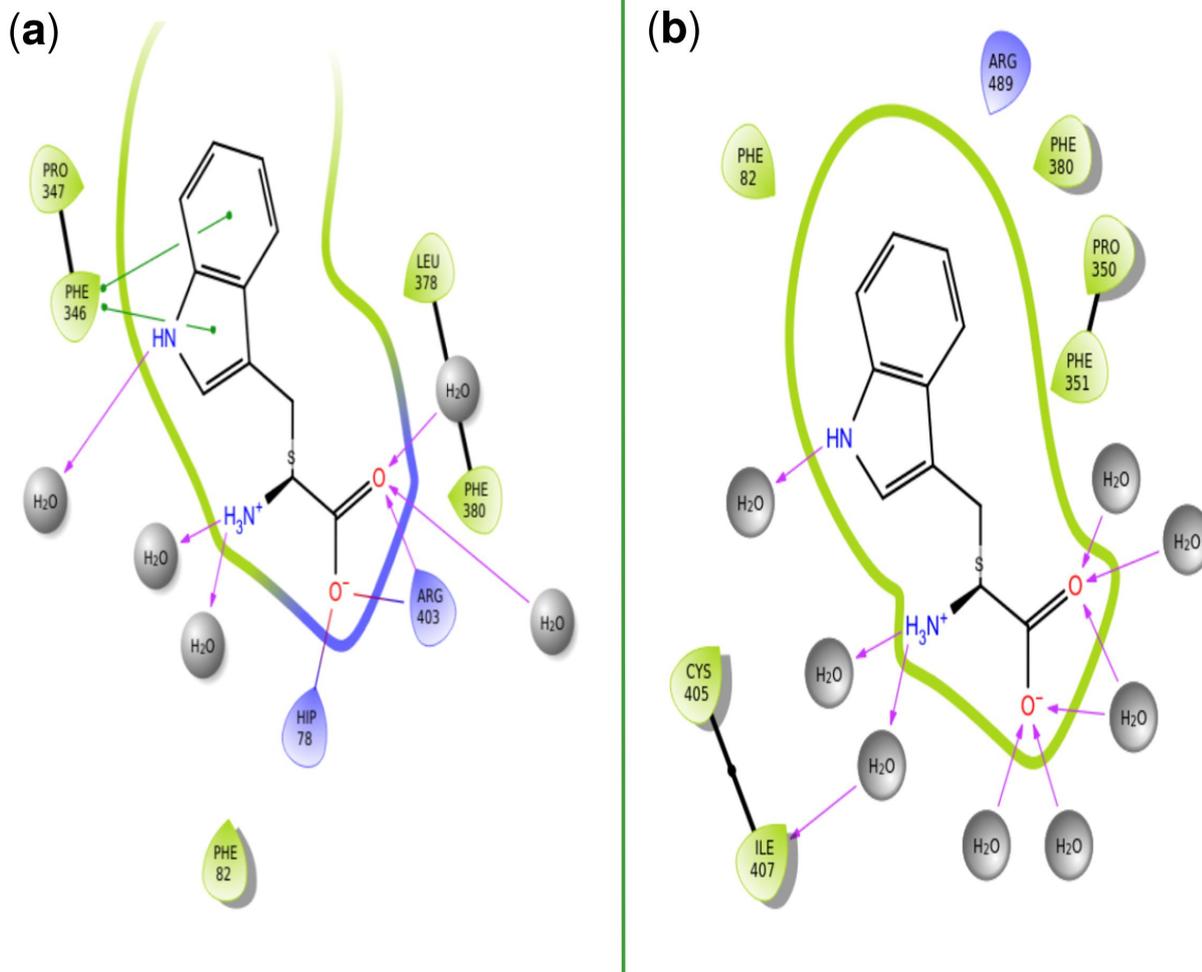


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**Figure 31.** Representative TRP conformations found at basins from metadynamics runs. With ligand positioned within the binding site (a) and positioned within the engagement niche (b).