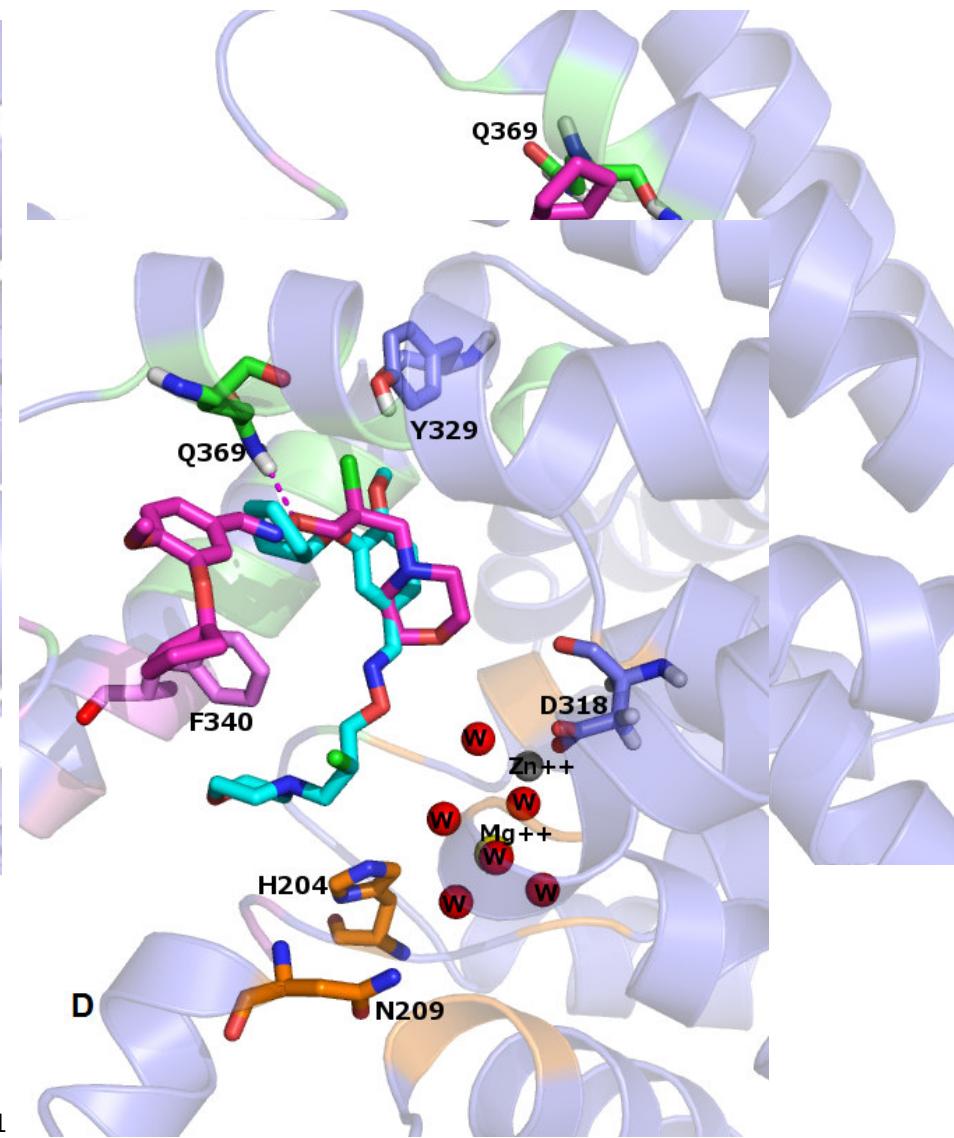
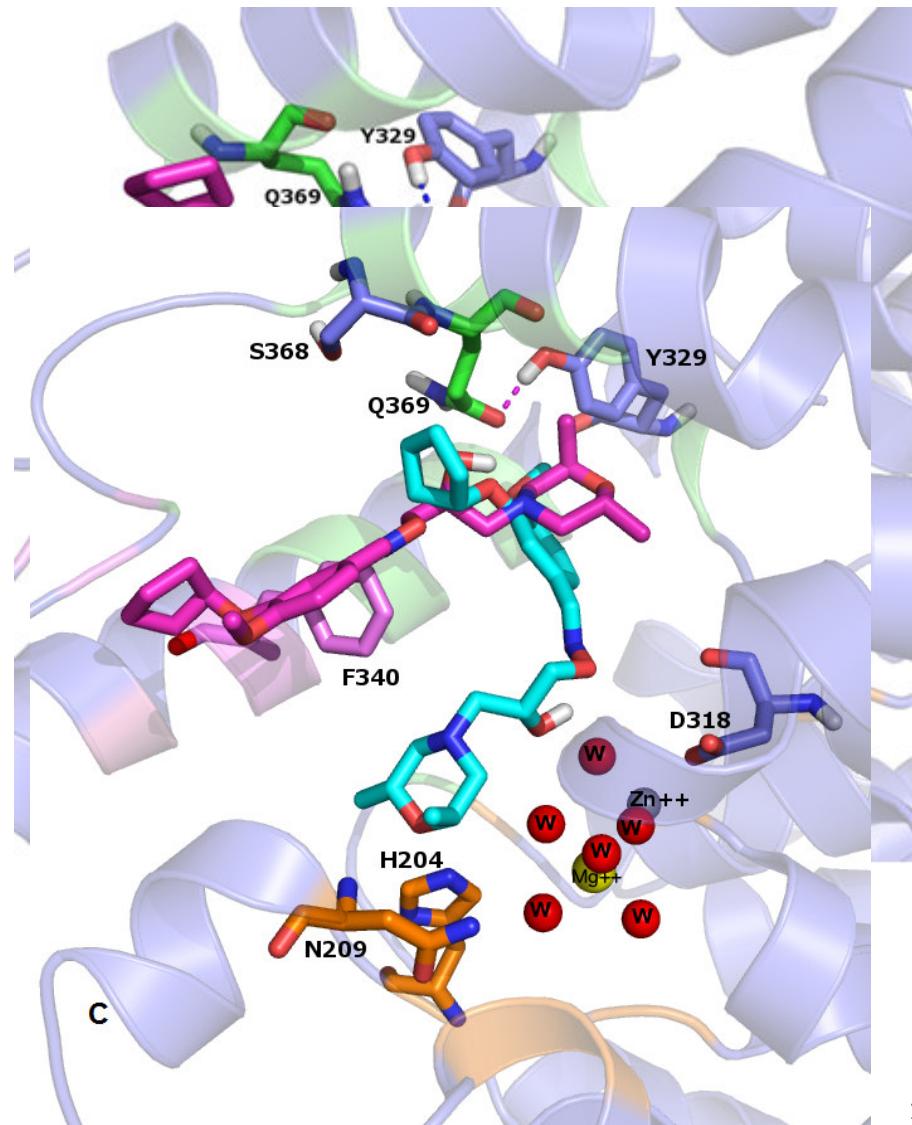


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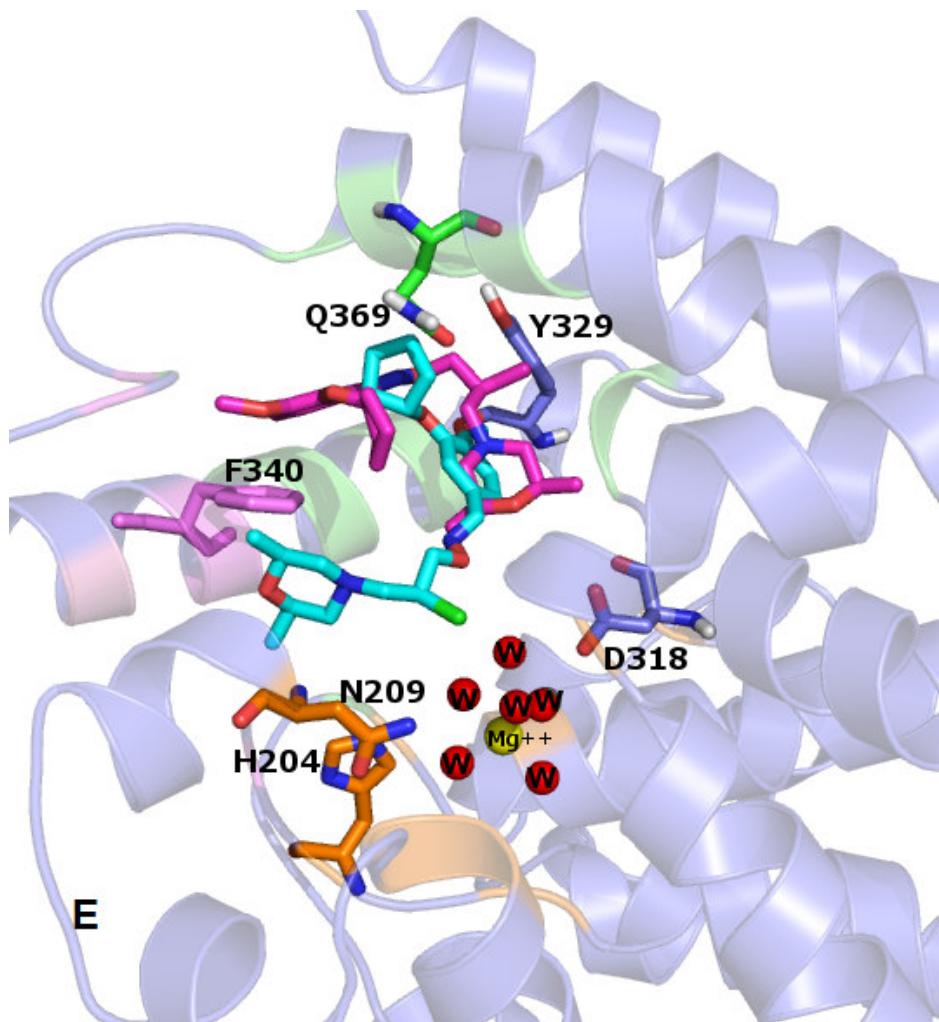


Figure 1S. The overlay of both conformations A and B, for compounds **1-5**. Panel A. Compound **1**; Panel B. Compound **2**, Panel C. Compound **3**; Panel D. Compound **4**; Panel E. Compound **5**.

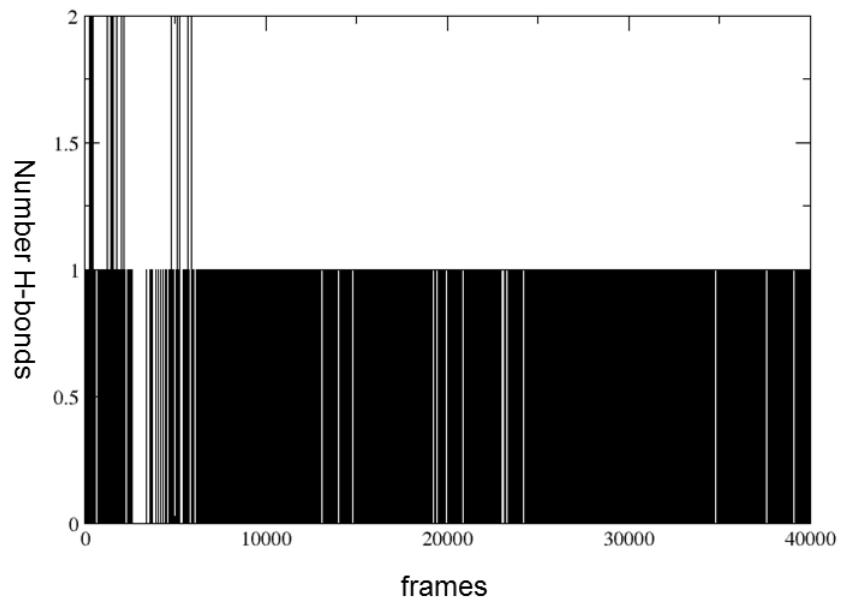


Figure 2S. Stability plotting of the H-bond between Q369-O2 compound **1** along the MD.

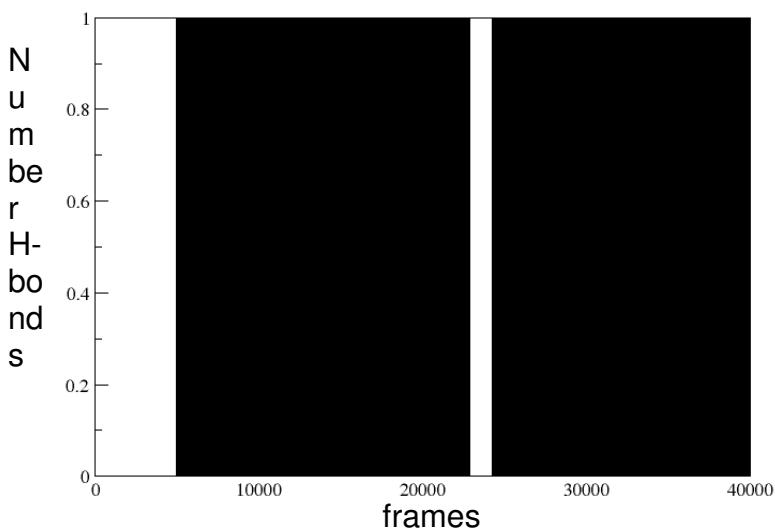
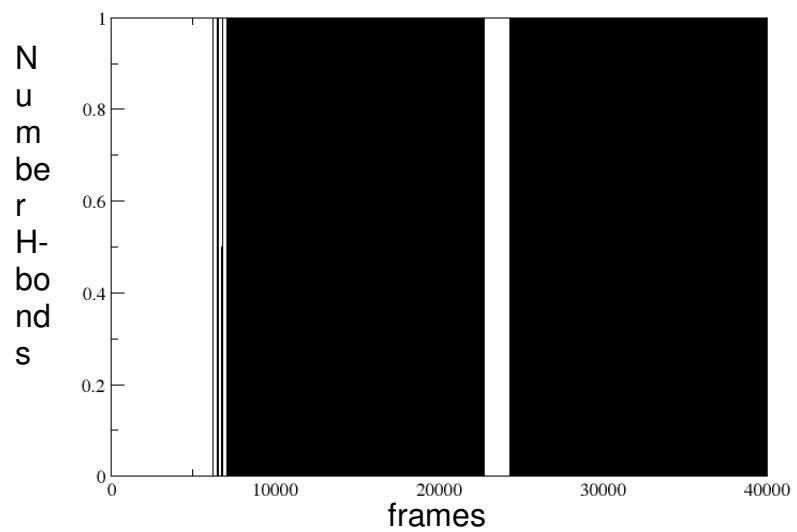


Figure 3S. Stability plotting of the water bridge along the MD for compound **1** and Q369. Left, compound **1** and water. Right, Q369 and water.

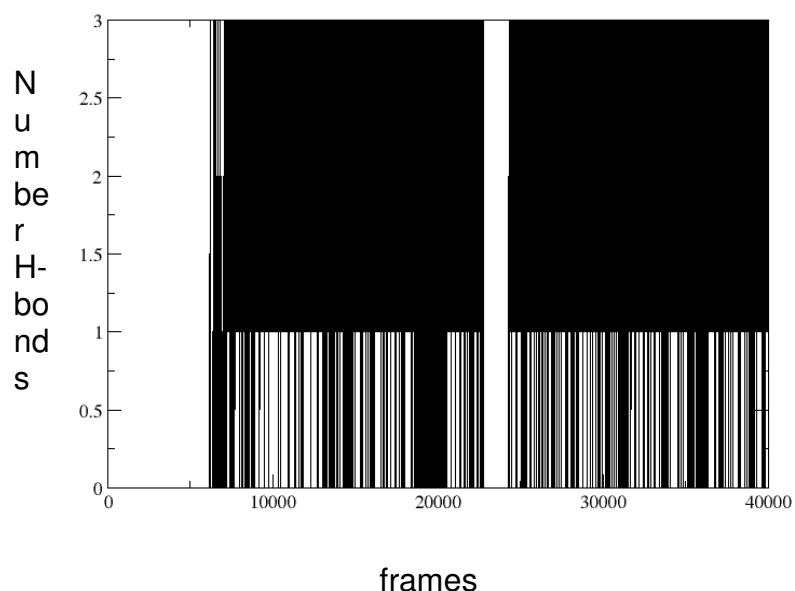
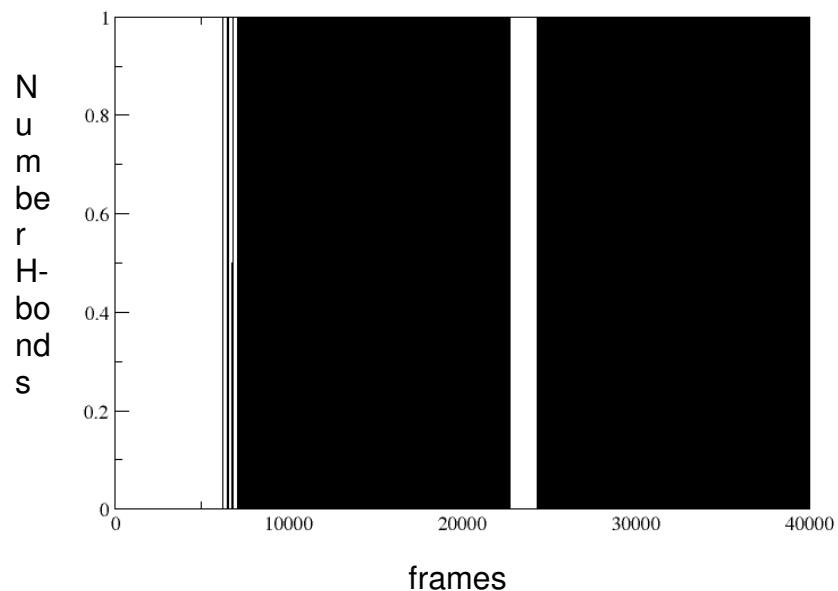


Figure 4S. Stability plotting of the water bridge along the MD for compound **1** and Y329. Left, compound **1** and water. Right, Y329 and water. In the case of Y329 plot, the number of 3 represents the H-bonds made by the water molecule and the residue (see Figure 1S, panel A).

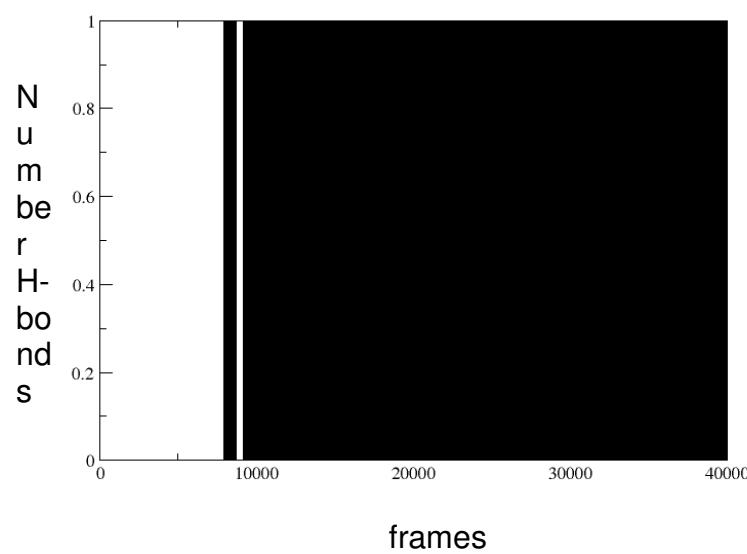
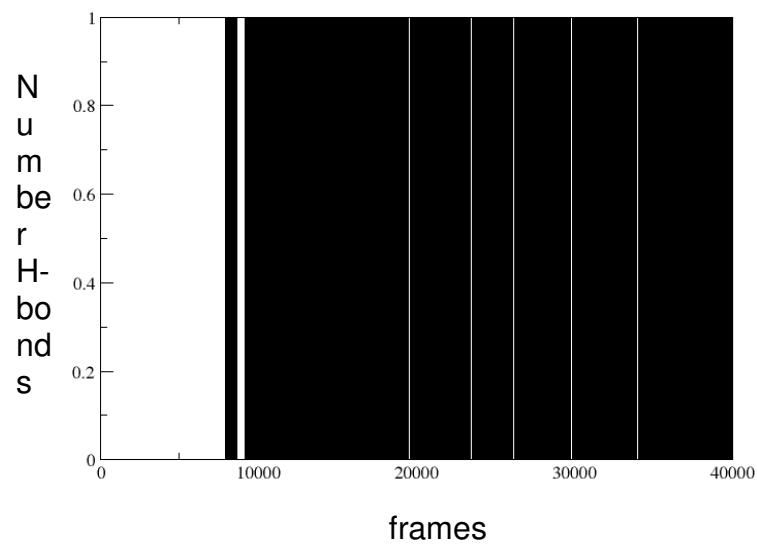


Figure 5S. Stability plotting of the water bridge along the MD for compound **1** and D318. Left, compound **1** and water. Right, D318 and water.

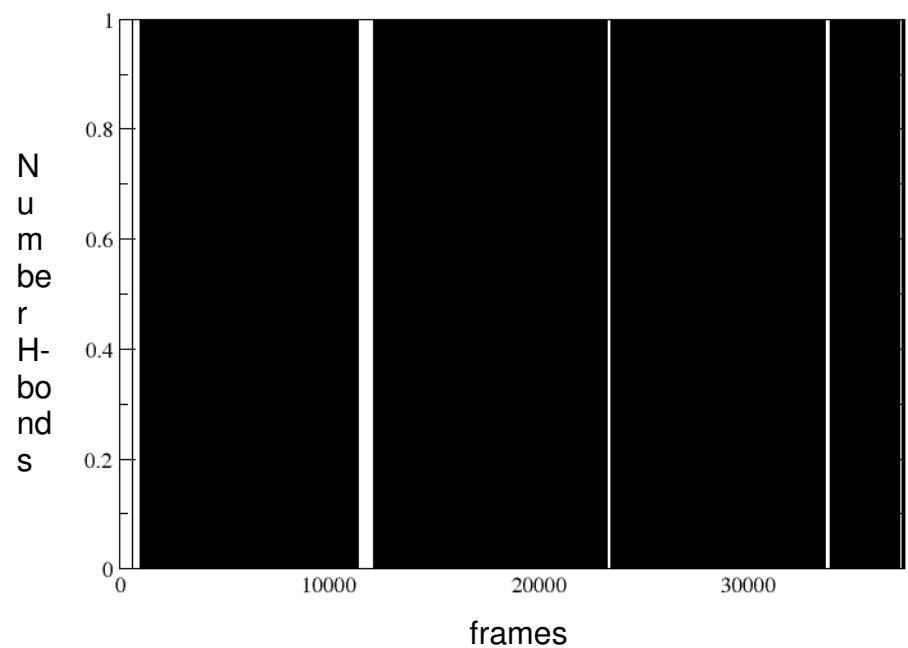


Figure 6S. Stability plotting of the H-bond between Y329-O2 compound **2** along the MD.

Table 1S. The list of the H bonds between the 35 PDE4 inhibitors and the five selected X rays, reporting the residue, followed by the amino acid atom, the compound atom involved and the distance in Å, in brackets.

	X-rays, PDB code				
Compd.	1MKD	1OYN	1XOQ	1Y2E	3IAK
1	H160 (Nε-O, 3.19); Q369 (Nε-O, 3.63); Q369 (Nε-O, 2.62); H ₂ O (O-O, 2.56)	H204 (Nε-O, 3.01); Q369 (Nε-O, 2.88); Q369 (Nε-O, 2.99)	Q369 (Nε-O, 3.06); Q369 (Nε-O, 2.99); H204 (Nε-O, 2.85)	N209 (N-O, 3.51); Q369 (Nε-O, 2.84)	Q369 (Nε-O, 3.31)
2	H160 (Nε-O, 2.93); Q369 (Nε-O, 2.68); Q369 (Nε-O, 3.66); H ₂ O (O-O, 2.92)	Q369 (Nε-O, 3.03); Q369 (Nε-O, 3.03)	N209 (N-O, 3.11); Q369 (Nε-O, 2.66); Q369 (Nε-O, 3.25)	N209 (N-O, 3.06); Q369 (Nε-O, 2.87); H ₂ O (O-O, 2.80)	H204 (Nε-O, 2.97); Q369 (Nε-O, 3.13); H ₂ O (O-O, 3.03); H ₂ O (O-O, 2.30)
4	Q369 (Nε-O, 2.72)	Q369 (Nε-O, 2.97); Q369 (Nε-O, 2.98)	Q369 (Nε-O, 2.62)	-	-
5	H160 (Nε-O, 3.20); Q369 (Nε-O, 3.55); Q369 (Nε-O, 2.70); H ₂ O (O-O, 3.09)	H160 (Nε-O, 3.16); Q369 (Nε-O, 2.78); Q369 (Nε-O, 3.12)	Q369 (Nε-O, 2.95); Q369 (Nε-O, 2.80)	H160 (Nε-O, 3.24); Q369(Nε-O, 3.08)	Q369 (Nε-O, 3.10)
6	M273 (N-N, 3.13); H ₂ O (O-O, 2.80)	Y159 (O-N, 2.80)	-	Q369 (Nε-N, 3.12)	Q369 (Nε-N, 3.14)

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7	N209 (N-O, 2.95); H ₂ O (O-O, 2.91)	Y159 (O-N, 2.68); N321 (Oδ-N, 2.68)	-	-	-
8	H ₂ O (O-O, 2.58)	E230 (Oε-O, 3.09); M273 (N-O, 3.17)	-	D318 (O-O, 2.95)	H160 (Nε-O, 2.83)
9	Y159 (O-N, 3.14); S368 (O-O, 2.66); H ₂ O (O-N, 2.89)	Y159 (O-N, 2.86); Q369 (Nε-O, 2.93)	N321 (Oδ-N, 3.32); S368 (O-N, 3.07); Y329 (O-O, 3.73); Q369 (Nε-N, 3.32); Q369 (Nε-O, 3.19)	E339 (Oε-O, 2.78); Q369 (Nε-N, 2.99)	N321 (Oδ-N, 2.69); Q369 (Oε-N, 2.97); Q369 (Nε-N, 2.92)
10	S368 (O-N, 2.92); Q369 (Oε-N, 3.15); Q369 (Nε-N, 2.78)	Y159 (O-N, 2.66); N321 (Oδ-N, 2.73)	N321 (Oδ-N, 3.04); Q369 (Nε-N, 3.43); Q369 (Nε-O, 3.09)	-	Q369 (Oε-N, 3.08); Q369 (Nε-N, 2.83)
11	S368 (O-N, 2.66); Q369 (Nε-N, 2.92)	Q369 (Nε-O, 3.04); N321 (Oδ-N, 2.65); H160 (Nε-O, 2.94)	S368 (O-N, 3.05); Q369 (Nε-N, 2.94); Q369 (Nε-O, 3.23)	-	S368 (O-N, 2.78); Q369 (Nε-N, 3.00)
12	S368 (O-N,2.71); Q369 (Nε-N,2.78)	Y159 (O-N,2.64); N321 (Oδ-N,2.69)	N321 (Oδ-N,2.89); Q369 (Nε-O,3.37)	-	S368 (O-N,2.84); Q369 (Nε-N,2.92)
13	N321 (Oδ-N, 3.10); H ₂ O (O-O, 2.66)	N321 (Oδ-N, 2.73); Q369 (Nε-N, 3.15); H ₂ O (O-O, 2.69)	N321 (Oδ-N, 3.38); S368 (O-N, 2.97); Q369 (Nε-N, 3.20); Q369 (Nε-O, 3.06)	D318 (O-N, 3.25); Q369 (Nε-O, 2.86)	Q369 (Oε-N, 3.11); Q369 (Nε-N, 2.85)

	S368 (O-N, 2.70); Q369 (Nε-N, 2.95)	Y159 (O-N, 3.21); Q369 (Nε-O, 2.80)	S368 (O-N, 2.99); Q369 (Nε-N, 2.99); Q369 (Nε-O, 3.11)	D318 (O-N, 3.40); Q369 (Nε-O, 2.91)	Q369 (Nε-O, 3.15)
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	S368 (O-N, 2.60); Q369 (Nε-N, 2.85)	M273 (N-O, 2.89); H ₂ O (O-O, 2.82)	S368 (O-N, 2.94); Q369 (Nε-N, 2.87); Q369 (Nε-O, 3.07)	D318 (O-N, 3.30); Q369 (Nε-O, 2.91)	Q369 (Nε-N, 2.82); Q369 (Nε-O, 3.37)
15					
	Q369 (Nε-N, 2.82)	Y159 (O-N, 2.93);	N321 (Oδ-N, 3.17); S368 (O-N, 2.97); Q369 (Nε-N, 3.20); Q369 (Nε-O, 3.01)	Q369 (Nε-N, 2.93)	Q369 (Nε-N, 2.78)
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	Q369 (Nε-N, 2.82)	Y159 (O-N, 2.92)	N321 (Oδ-N, 3.16); S368 (O-N, 2.97); Q369 (Nε-N, 3.20); Q369 (Nε-O, 3.01)	Q369 (Nε-N, 2.94)	Q369 (Nε-N, 2.79)
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	-	Q369 (Nε-N, 2.62)	Q369 (Nε-N, 2.70)	H ₂ O (O-O, 3.19)	H ₂ O (O-O, 2.87); H204 (Nε-O, 3.22); Q369 (Nε-N, 2.91)
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22	-	Q369 (Nε-N, 2.85)	Q369 (Nε-N, 2.73)	H ₂ O (O-O, 2.69)	-
23	Q369 (Nε-O, 2.92)	Q369 (Nε-N, 2.76)	Q369 (Nε-N, 2.67)	H160 (Nε-O, 2.76)	Q369 (Nε-O, 2.83)
24	Q369 (Nε-N, 3.17)	Q369 (Nε-N, 2.84)	Q369 (Nε-N, 2.76)	H160 (Nε-O, 3.10)	Q369 (Nε-O, 3.26)
25	Q369 (Nε-N, 3.09)	M273 (N-N, 3.07); Q369 (Nε-N, 2.84)	M273 (N-N, 3.12); Q369 (Nε-N, 2.78)	H204 (Nε-O, 3.07); N209 (N-O, 2.3)	H ₂ O (O-O, 3.10); H204 (Nε-O, 3.18)
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28	Q369 (Nε-N, 3.10)	Q369 (Nε-N, 2.67)	H160 (Nε-O, 3.09); N209 (N-N, 2.86)	-	-
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30	Q369 (Nε-N, 2.63)	Q369 (Nε-N, 2.76)	-	-	H ₂ O (O-O, 3.11); H204 (Nε-O, 3.23)
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32	-	Q369 (Nε-N, 2.77)	Q369 (Nε-N, 2.94)	H160 (Nε-O, 3.00); Q369 (Nε-N, 3.07)	-
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