





Figure S2. 3D interaction density maps (Molekel 4.3; Portmann) for ALA obtained by subtracting DZPisol from DZPperturb models. Positive white and negative blue isosurfaces are shown, the isosurface values are equal to: (a)  $0.1 \text{ e}\text{\AA}^{-3}$ , (b)  $0.05 \text{ e}\text{\AA}^{-3}$ , (c)  $0.025 \text{ e}\text{\AA}^{-3}$ .

Table S1. Coulombic energies of interactions [kJ/mol] of HIS and ALA dimers calculated from the given models. Results were arranged according to the  $E_{cs}$  values obtained from SAPT(DFT), from the lowest to the highest ones. The symmetry cards are presented below.

	13	14	10	8	12	15	9	16	17	15
SAPT $E_{cs}$	-318	-237	-215	-196	-153	-77	-66	-55	-20	-16
SAPT $E_{es}$	-217	-122	-152	-131	-101	-60	-29	-37	-9	-4
DZP $_{perturb}$	-305	-206	-234	-227	-185	-118	-28	-84	-5	-5
cc-pVDZ $_{perturb}$	-274	-180	-202	-194	-159	-100	-24	-73	-4	-6
MM_DZP $_{perturb}$	-180	-118	-140	-138	-110	-45	-32	-41	-6	-13
MM_cc-pVDZ $_{perturb}$	-195	-122	-157	-153	-109	-46	-36	-45	-8	-8
CR	-170	-113	-138	-134	-106	-45	-30	-38	-5	-15

	symmetry	
HA - HA	$1-x, 1/2+y, -z$	1
HA - HA	$2-x, 1/2+y, -z$	2
HA - HA	$1+x, y, z$	3
HA - HA	$1+x, y, 1+z$	4
HA H <sub>2</sub> O	$2-x, 1/2+y, 1-z$	5
HA H <sub>2</sub> O	$1+x, 1+y, -1+z$	6
HA H <sub>2</sub> O	$1+x, 1+y, z$	7
LALA - LALA	$x, y, 1+z$	8
LALA - LALA	$3/2-x, -y, 1/2+z$	9
LALA - LALA	$-1/2+x, 1/2-y, 1-z$	10
HIS - HIS	$1+x, y, z$	11
HIS - HIS	$-x, 1-y, -z$	12
HIS - HIS	$x, 1/2-y, 1/2+z$	13
HIS - HIS	$-x, 1/2+y, 1/2-z$	14
HIS - HIS	$1-x, 1/2+y, 1/2-z$	15
HIS - HIS	$1-x, 1-y, 1-z$	16
HIS - HIS	$-1+x, 1/2-y, -1/2+z$	17
GH - GH	$-1+x, y, z$	18
GH - GH	$1+x, 1+y, z$	19
GH - GH	$1-x, 1/2+y, 1-z$	20
GH 1H <sub>2</sub> O	$x, y, z$	21
GH 1H <sub>2</sub> O	$2-x, 1/2+y, 2-z$	22
GH 2H <sub>2</sub> O	$x, y, z$	23
GH 2H <sub>2</sub> O	$2-x, 1/2+y, 2-z$	24

Table S2. Coulombic energies of interactions [kJ/mol] of GH and HA dimers calculated from the given models. The symmetry cards are presented above.

	18	19	20	1	2	3	4
SAPT $E_{cs}$	-236	-125	-250	-226	-173	-118	-10
SAPT $E_{es}$	-149	-100	-154	-160	-119	-27	-1
DZP $_{perturb}$	-281	-114	-313	-190	-123	-84	-14
MM_DZP $_{perturb}$	-172	-62	-177	-151	-103	-36	-2
CR	-154	-61	-134	-159	-105	-20	1