

MOLECULAR DYNAMICS STUDY ON THE CYTOCHROME P450 MEDIATED C-H HYDROXYLATION OF NON-AROMATIC N-HETEROCYCLES

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The P450-mediated C-H hydroxylation has great potential in the late-stage synthesis of nitrogen containing pharmaceutical compounds.^[1] However, strong nitrogen haem interactions can obstruct C-H hydroxylation.^[2] Intriguingly, we found a starting activity for the conversion of (*S*)-2-methylpyrrolidine **1** to (*S*)-2-pyrrolidinemethanol **2** using CYP151A2 from *Mycobacterium* sp HE5 (MorA). Long-scale molecular dynamics (MD) simulations were used to study the dynamical behaviour of **1** in MorA in comparison to an *in silico* generated design and non-active CYP116B46 from *Tepidiphilus thermophilus* (TT)^[3] to obtain insights into this promising activity.

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