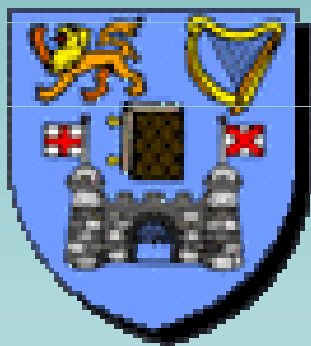


# Hydrogen Bonding and Other Interactions in Biological Systems



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## Hydrogen Bonding and Other Interactions in Biological Systems: RNA bases and amino acid models

- RNA performs essential and diverse functions within the cell (gene replication and expression) → interaction with proteins.
- The most important interaction established between the RNA bases and amino acids is through HBs: Glutamic acid and Asparagine show a good number of HB contacts with the RNA bases (mostly with Guanine and Uracil).
- Donor-acceptor arrangements of the Nucleic bases → many possible interactions.
- The ability to form HB of amino acid → three types of small ligands:

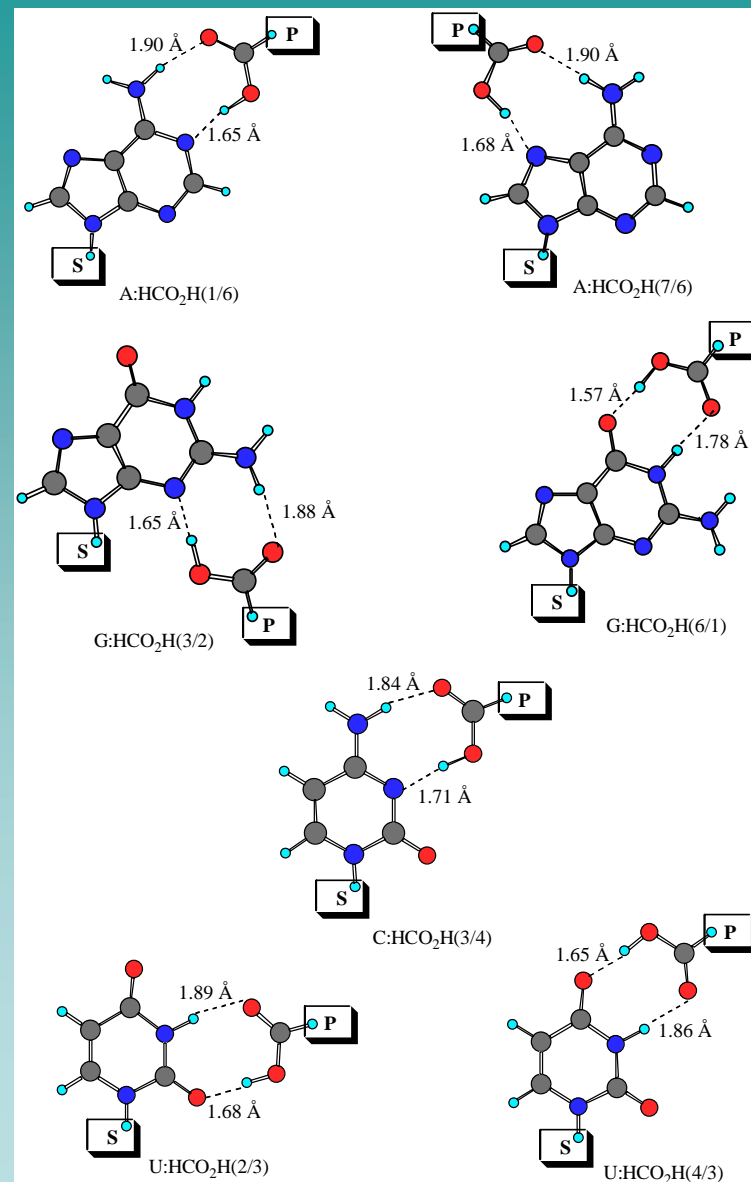
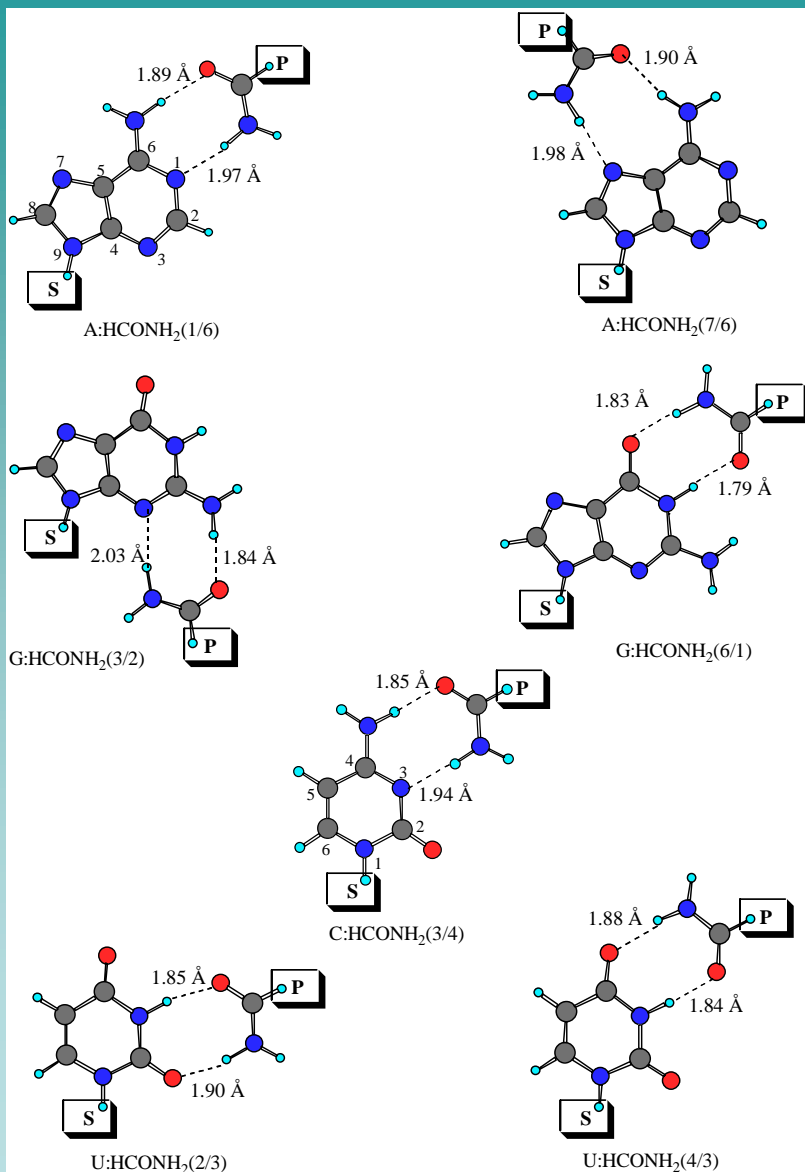
Acceptor/acceptor HB groups such as carboxylate (Glu & Asp)

Donor/acceptor HB groups such as formamide (Gln & Asn)

Donor/donor HB groups such as guanidinium (Arg)



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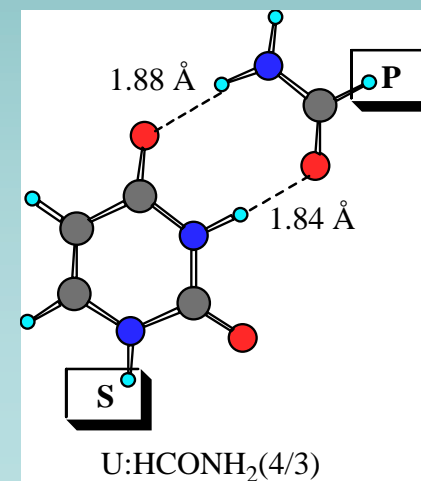
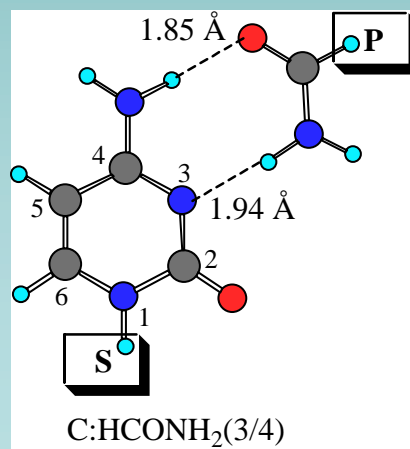
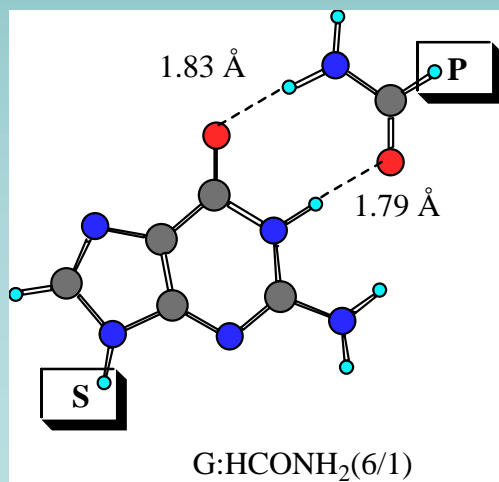
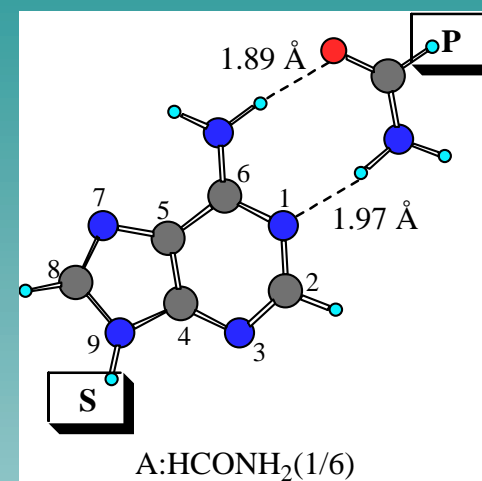




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B3LYP/6-31+G<sup>\*\*</sup>, AIM, NBO

	$E_{I+BSSE}$ kcal/mol	$\rho(\text{bcp})$	$\nabla^2\rho(\text{bcp})$	Q transf.	$E(2)$
A:HCONH <sub>2</sub> (1/6)	-11.57	0.0293 0.0292	0.0819 0.0688	-0.005	11.84 17.38
G:HCONH <sub>2</sub> (6/1)	-18.08	0.0374 0.0336	0.1044 0.0950	0.011	18.83 14.15
C:HCONH <sub>2</sub> (3/4)	-15.24	0.0320 0.0303	0.0900 0.0743	-0.005	13.90 17.88
U:HCONH <sub>2</sub> (4/3)	-11.48	0.0321 0.0291	0.0905 0.0855	0.013	14.17 9.60

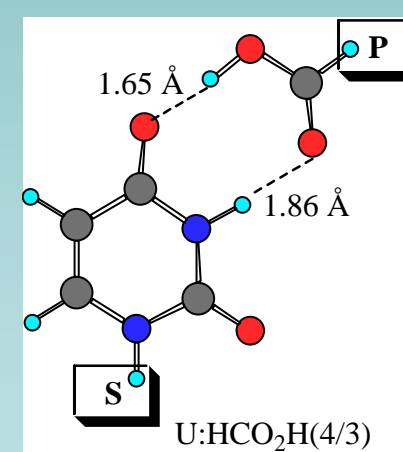
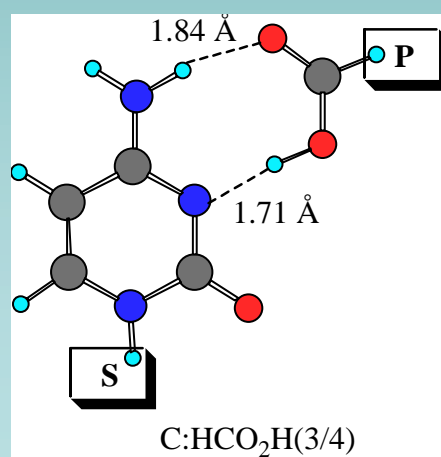
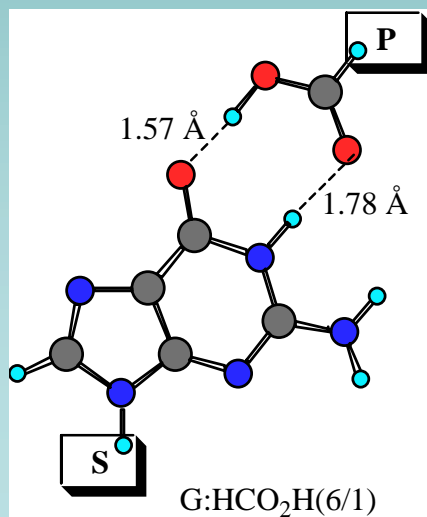
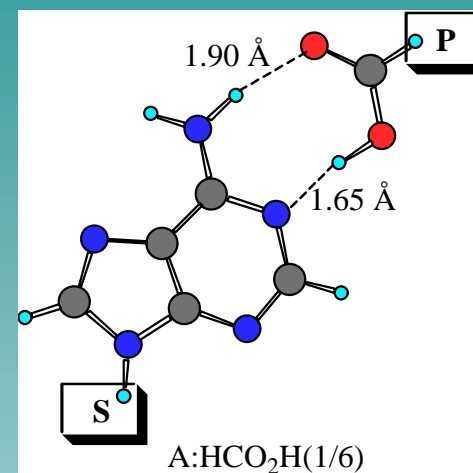




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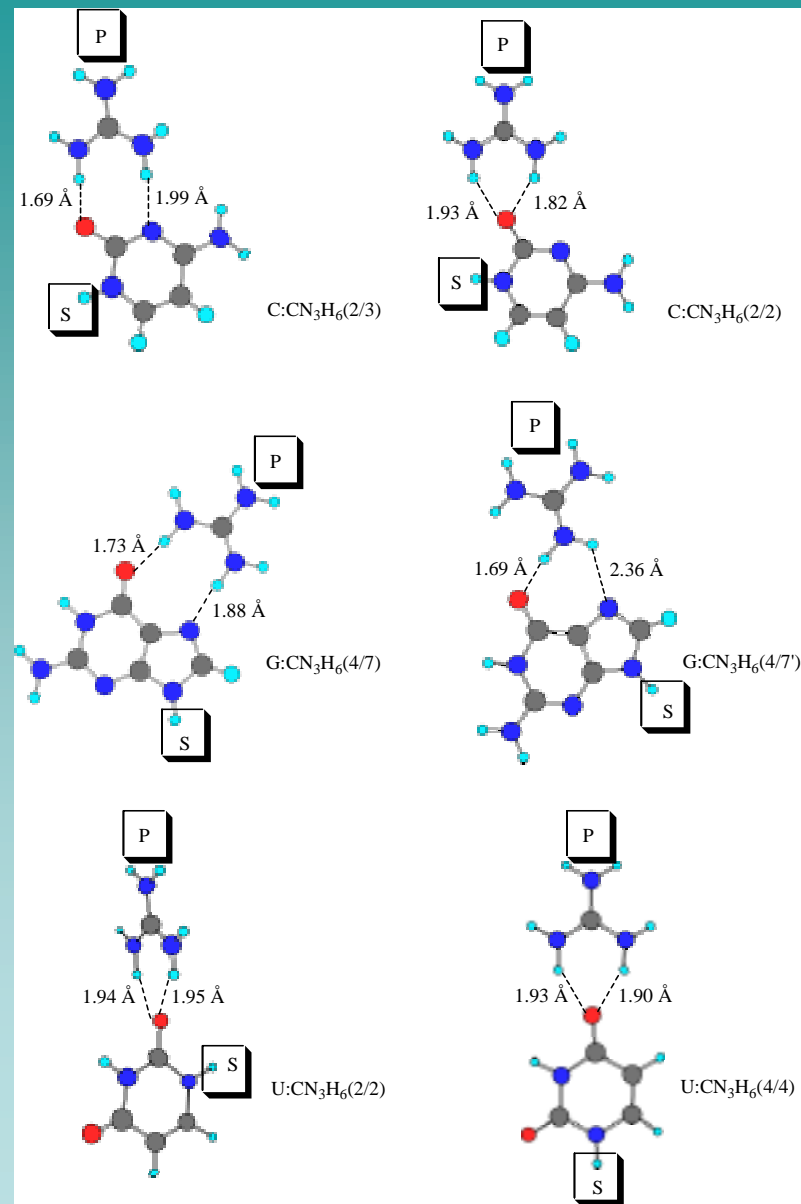
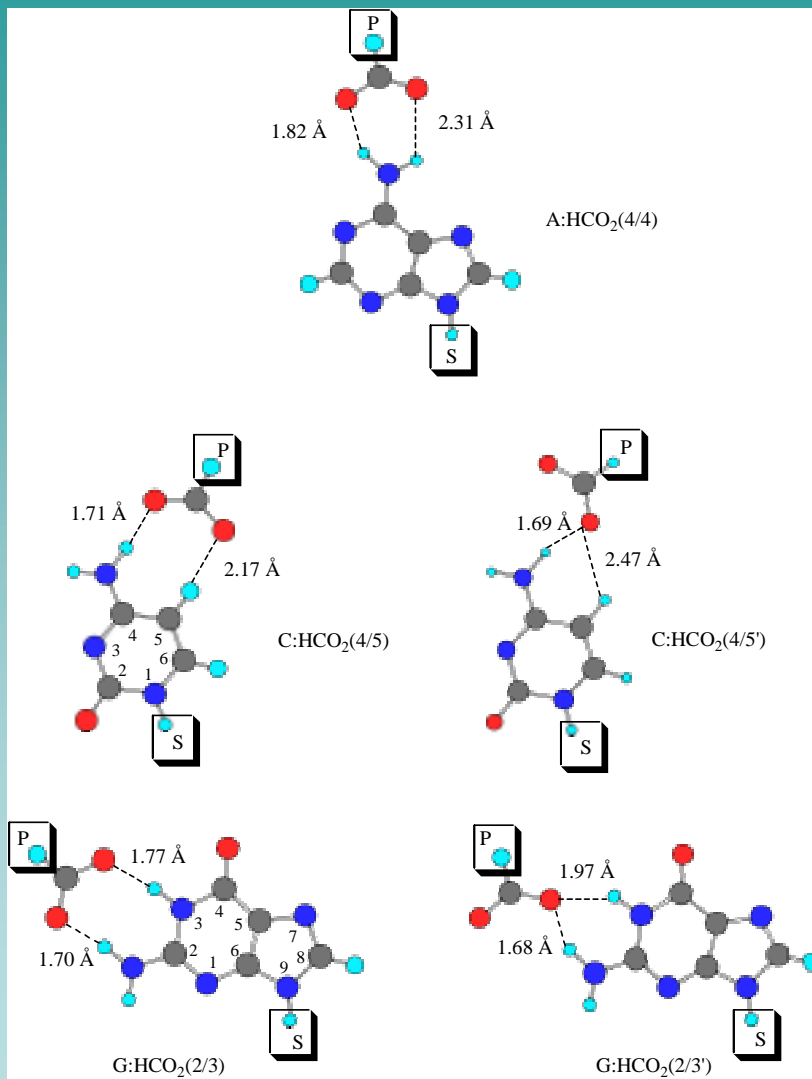
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	$E_{I+BSSE}$ kcal/mol	$\rho(\text{bcp})$	$\nabla^2\rho(\text{bcp})$	$Q_{\text{transf.}}$	$E(2)$
A:HCO <sub>2</sub> H(1/6)	-15.07	0.0285 0.0599	0.0815 0.1040	-0.065	10.41 44.94
G:HCO <sub>2</sub> H(6/1)	-19.08	0.0375 0.0614	0.1076 0.1524	-0.037	18.17 37.96
C:HCO <sub>2</sub> H(3/4)	-16.46	0.0326 0.0518	0.0943 0.1011	-0.046	13.35 37.76
U:HCO <sub>2</sub> H(4/3)	-13.37	0.0302 0.0489	0.0867 0.1408	-0.026	11.77 25.34





# Hydrogen Bonding and Other Interactions in Biological Systems: RNA bases and amino acid models, donor/donor-acceptor/acceptor cases

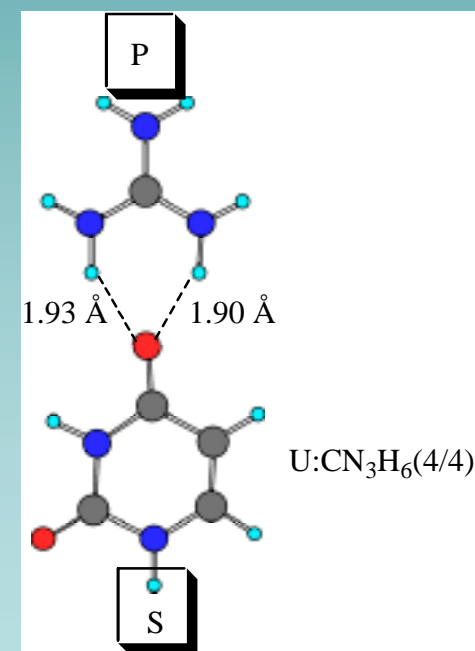
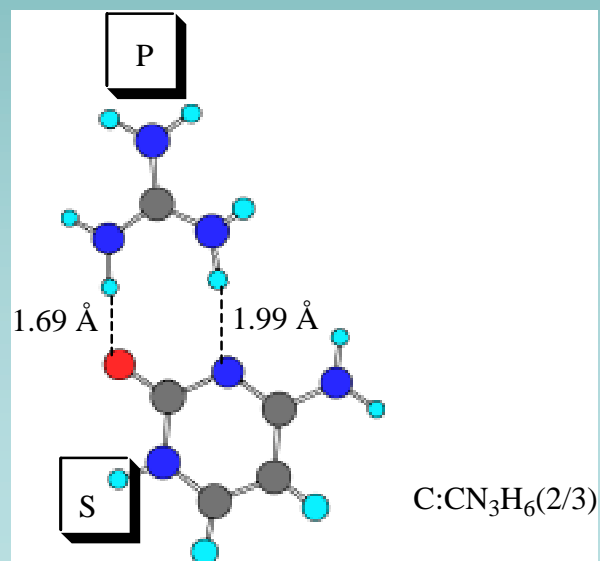
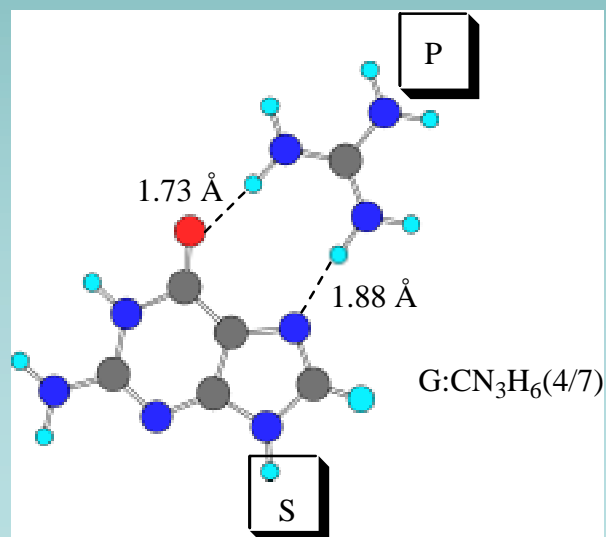




## Hydrogen Bonding and Other Interactions in Biological Systems: RNA bases and amino acid models, acceptor-acceptor case

B3LYP/6-31+G<sup>\*\*</sup>, AIM, NBO

	$E_{I+BSSE}$ kcal/mol	$\rho(\text{bcp})$	$\nabla^2\rho(\text{bcp})$	Q transf.	$E(2)$
G:CN <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> (4/7)	-37.75	0.0460 0.0158	0.1311 0.0488	0.113	17.88 23.61
C:CN <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> (2/3)	-35.04	0.0447 0.0275	0.1342 0.0652	0.114	21.63 16.21
U:CN <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> (4/4)	-23.07	0.0274 0.0251	0.0855 0.0811	0.059	8.25 7.76

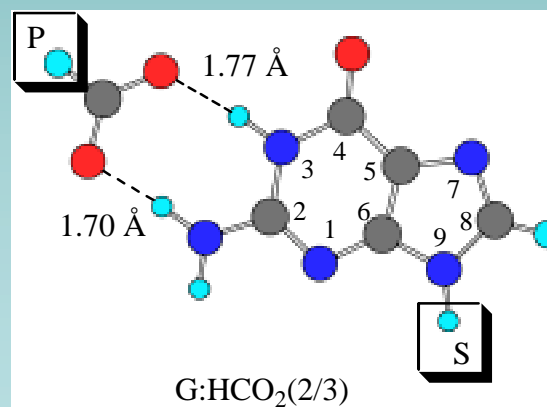
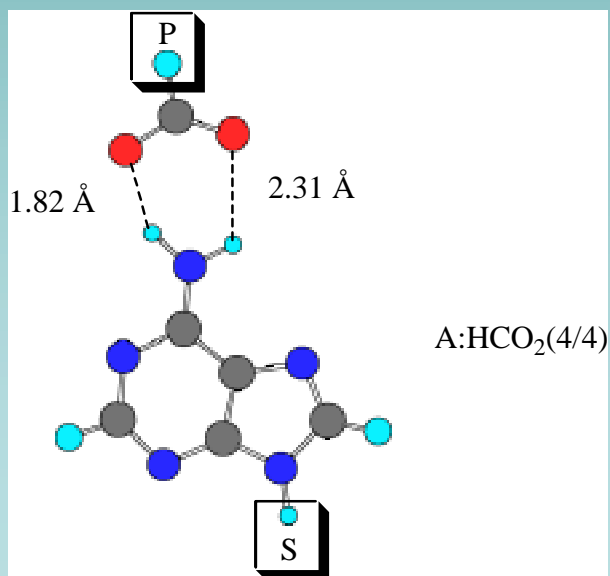
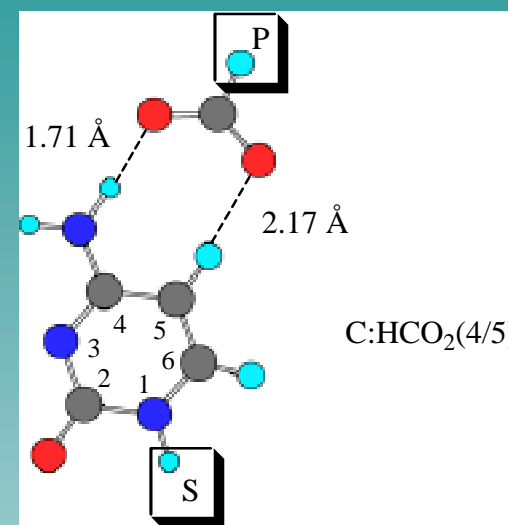




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	$E_{I+BSSE}$ kcal/mol	$\rho(bcp)$	$\nabla^2\rho(bcp)$	Q transf.	$E(2)$
A:HCO <sub>2</sub> (4/4)	-19.10	0.0360 0.0144	0.0956 0.0470	-0.075	17.32 2.45
G:HCO <sub>2</sub> (2/3)	-36.95	0.0467 0.0384	0.1229 0.1047	-0.151	21.23 27.74
C:HCO <sub>2</sub> (4/5)	-29.85	0.0451 0.0181	0.1230 0.0469	-0.106	26.85 5.69







## Hydrogen Bonding and Other Interactions in Biological Systems: RNA bases and amino acid models

### Conclusions

- The  $E_1$ s of the donor-donor and acceptor-acceptor complexes are larger than those of the donor-acceptor complexes → influence of the charged monomers
- Several good correlations were found between HB distances and  $\rho(\text{bcp})$  and  $\nabla^2\rho(\text{bcp})$  and as well a correlation was found between the orbital energy  $E(2)$  and  $\rho(\text{bcp})$

$$E(2) = 929.90\rho(\text{bcp}) - 15.08, R^2 = 0.9, n = 27$$

$$\text{HB acceptor is an O atom: } E(2) = 796.98\rho(\text{bcp}) - 12.36, R^2 = 0.98, n = 20$$

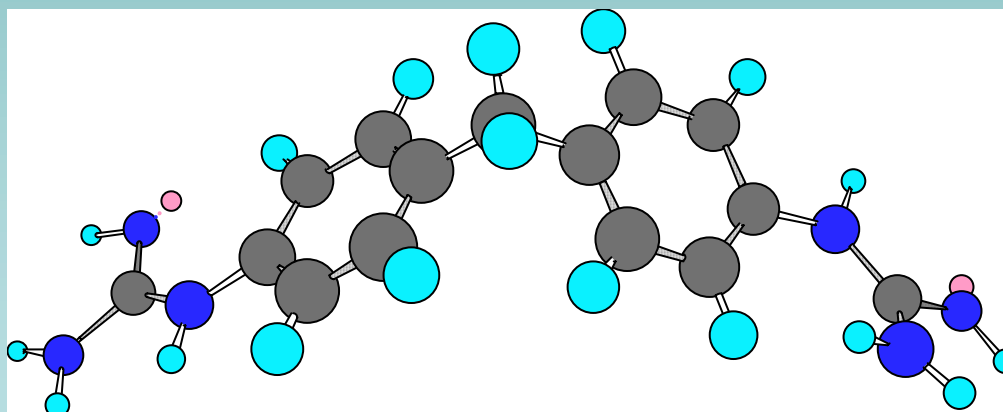
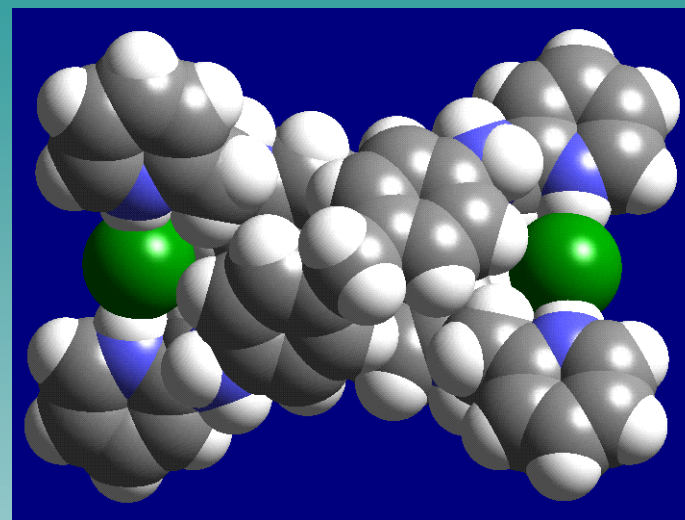
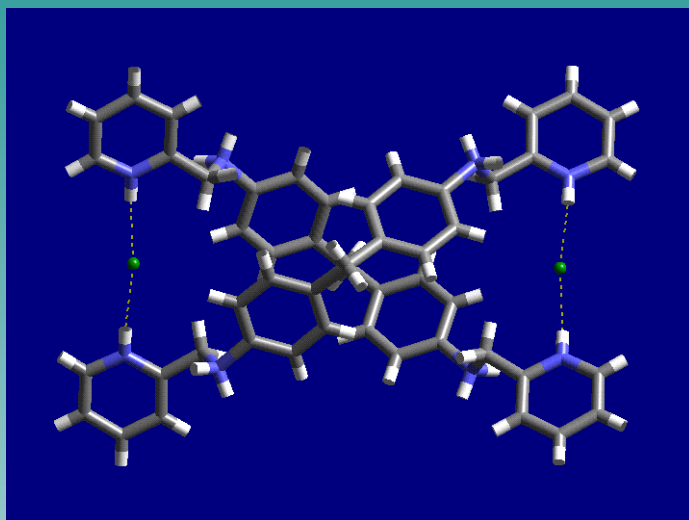
$$\text{HB acceptor is an N atom: } E(2) = 898.73\rho(\text{bcp}) - 8.67, R^2 = 0.99, n = 7$$

$$E(2) = 708.71\rho(\text{bcp}) - 7.27, R^2 = 0.92, n = 22$$

$$\text{HB acceptor is an O atom: } E(2) = 716.99\rho(\text{bcp}) - 8.14, R^2 = 0.95, n = 19$$



## Hydrogen Bonding and Other Interactions in Biological Systems: supramolecular systems

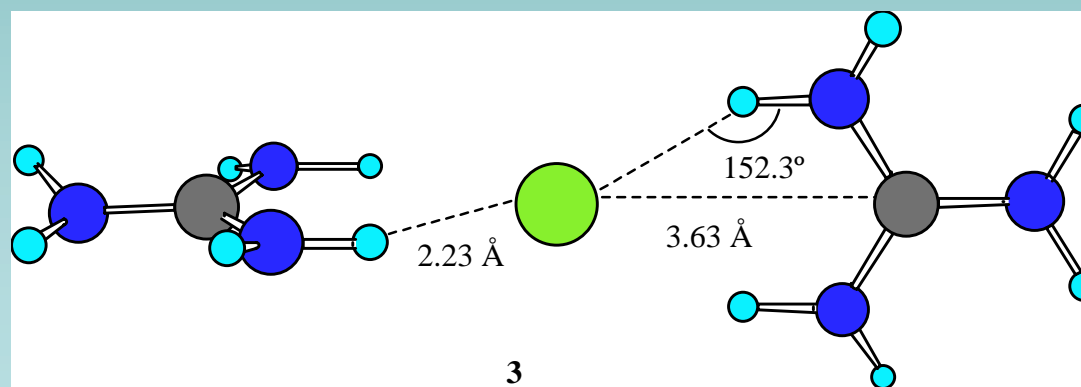
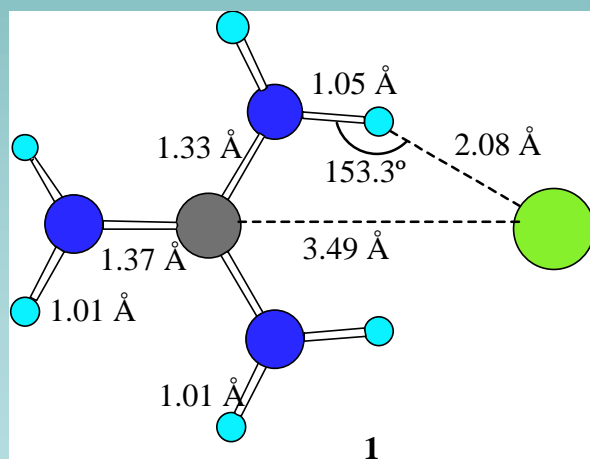
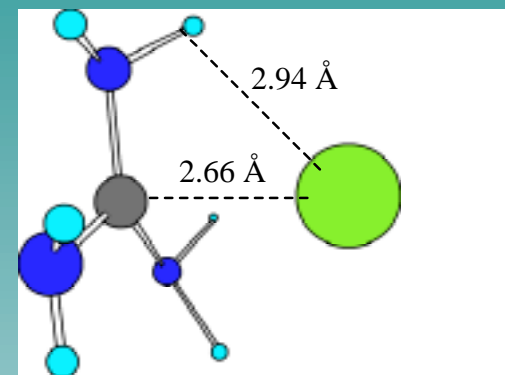




# Hydrogen Bonding and Other Interactions in Biological Systems: Guanidinium vs Chloride and Sulfate anions

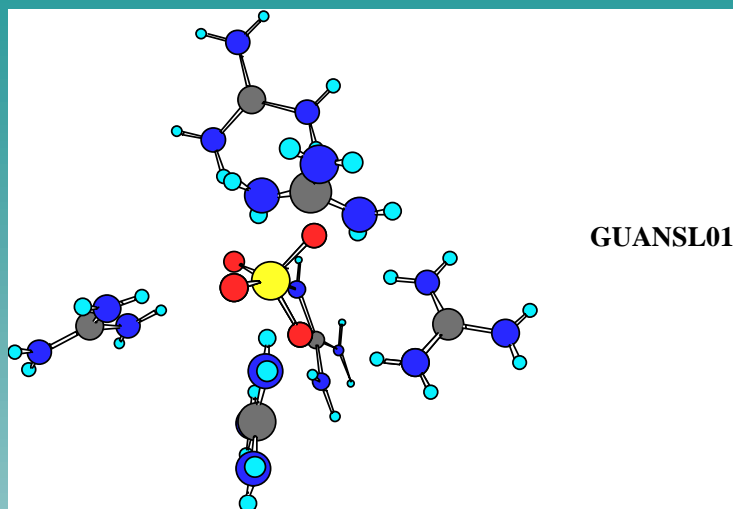
MP2/6-31+G\*, AIM, NBO

	$E_I$ kcal/mol	$\rho(\text{bcp})$	$\nabla^2\rho(\text{bcp})$	Q transf.	$E(2)$
<b>1</b>	-109.32	0.0369	0.0982	0.231	28.31
<b>2</b>	-98.71	0.0307	0.0742	0.251	137.67
<b>3</b>	-150.76	0.0235	0.0713	0.098	9.09

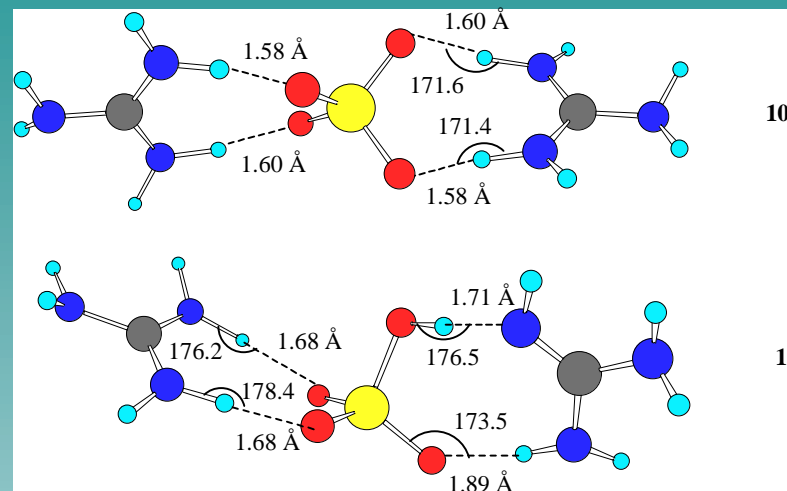




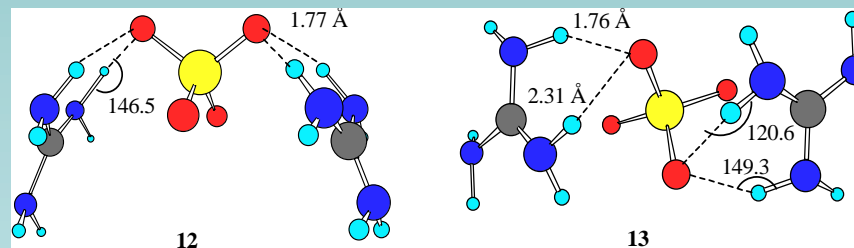
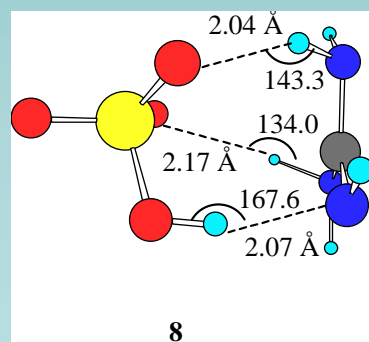
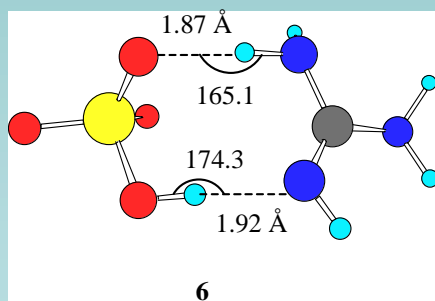
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$$E_1 \rightarrow -15.27 / -21.56 \text{ kcal/mol}$$



$$E_1 \rightarrow -102.08 / -327.84 \text{ kcal/mol}$$





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### Conclusions

- The  $E_1$ s are very large → influence of the charged monomers
- Several good correlations were found between HB distances and  $\rho(\text{bcp})$  and  $\nabla^2\rho(\text{bcp})$  and as well a correlation was found between the orbital energy  $E(2)$  and  $\rho(\text{bcp})$

$$E(2) = 815.92 \rho(\text{bcp}) - 11.46, R^2 = 0.90, n = 25.$$

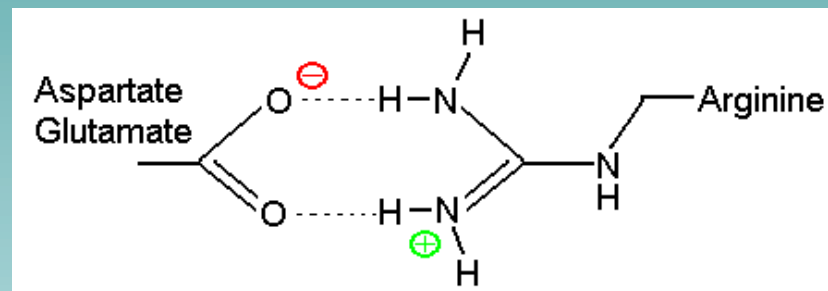
$$\text{HB acceptor is an N atom: } E(2) = 1310.60\rho(\text{bcp}) - 24.26, R^2 = 0.99, n = 4$$

$$\text{HB acceptor is an O atom: } E(2) = 763.63\rho(\text{bcp}) - 10.65, R^2 = 0.92, n = 21$$



## Hydrogen Bonding and Other Interactions in Biological Systems: Hydrogen bond vs. Electrostatic interactions

- Very high  $E_1$ s in complexes with charged monomers... could be a consequence of the method used???
- Hydrogen bonds in biological ligand-receptor complexes are usually enhanced/supplemented by electrostatic forces

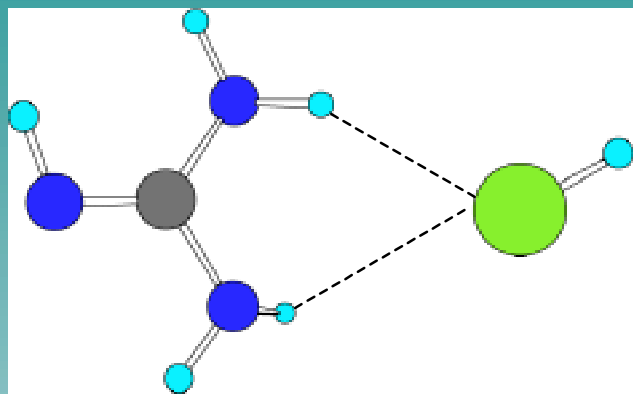


- Are the two different forces working at the same time but independently???
- Are HBs enhanced??? Do they really become stronger??? How much???

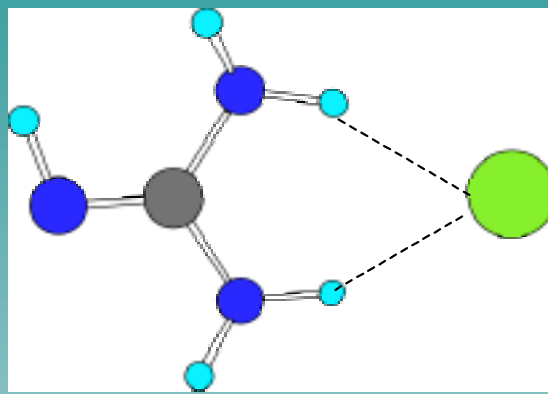


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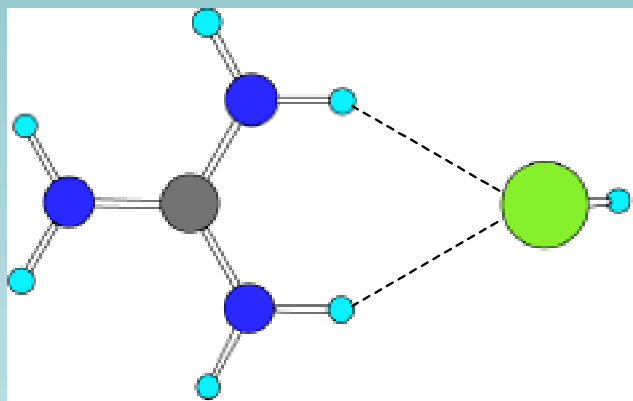


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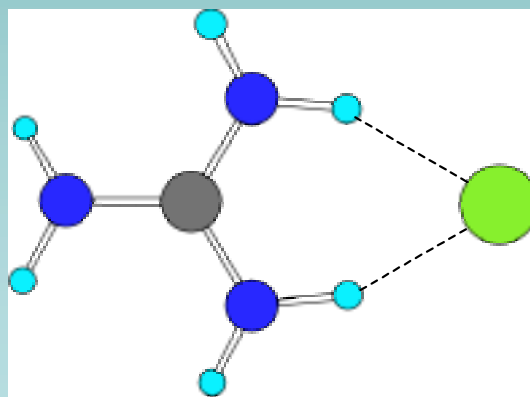
minus

Negative charge assisted HB



plus

Positive charge assisted HB



Plusminus

Positive/negative charge assisted HB

## Methods & Basis:

B3LYP/6-31+G\*

B3LYP/TZVP

MP2/6-31+G\*

MP2/6-311++G\*\*

MP2/aug-cc-pVDZ

CBS-QB3

G3MP2

AIM, NBO



## Hydrogen Bonding and Other Interactions in Biological Systems: Hydrogen bond vs. Electrostatic interactions

Interaction energies (kcal/mol)

	minus	neutral	plusminus	plus
B3LYP/ 6-31G*	<b>23.24</b>	<b>2.48</b>	107.73	<b>5.84</b>
B3LYP/ TZVP	27.66	<b>2.33</b>	115.18	<b>6.03</b>
MP2/ 6-31G*	25.56	4.32	109.32	7.23
MP2/ 6-311++G**	26.57	4.44	<b>113.71</b>	7.36
MP2/ aug-cc-pVDZ	26.12	4.24	<b>113.13</b>	8.02
CBS-QB3	<b>24.73</b>	<b>2.44</b>	<b>113.23</b>	<b>6.45</b>
G3MP2	<b>24.42</b>	<b>2.60</b>	<b>112.23</b>	<b>5.99</b>

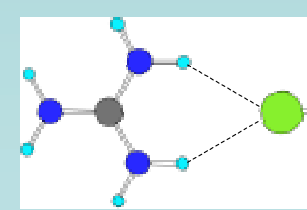
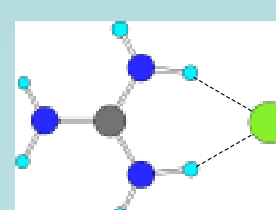
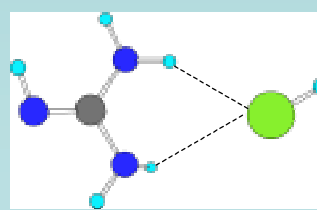
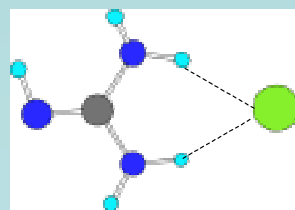




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HB distances (Å) and electron density characteristics at the bcps

		minus		neutral		plusminus	plus
B3LYP/ 6-31G*	d(HB)	2.33	2.39	2.82		<b>2.04</b>	2.65
	$\rho(\text{bcp})$	0.0208	0.0181	0.0064		<b>0.0377</b>	0.0092
	$\nabla^2\rho(\text{bcp})$	0.0595	0.0543	0.0248		<b>0.0866</b>	0.0350
B3LYP/ TZVP	d(HB)	2.28	2.33	2.85 3.29		<b>2.01</b>	2.63
	$\rho(\text{bcp})$	0.0224	0.0201	0.0060 0.0045		<b>0.0414</b>	0.0094
	$\nabla^2\rho(\text{bcp})$	0.0598	0.0559	0.0192 0.0166		<b>0.0756</b>	0.0316
MP2/ 6-31G*	d(HB)	2.30	2.36	2.68 3.30		<b>2.04</b>	2.59
	$\rho(\text{bcp})$	0.0217	0.0190	0.0085 0.0054		<b>0.0369</b>	0.0103
	$\nabla^2\rho(\text{bcp})$	0.0635	0.0579	0.0340 0.0185		<b>0.0892</b>	0.0398
MP2/ 6-311++G**	d(HB)	2.24	2.31	2.69 3.36		<b>1.94</b>	2.57
	$\rho(\text{bcp})$	0.0241	0.0208	0.0082 0.0053		<b>0.0484</b>	0.0106
	$\nabla^2\rho(\text{bcp})$	0.0644	0.0591	0.0284 0.0183		<b>0.0712</b>	0.0368
MP2/ aug-cc-pVDZ	d(HB)	2.26	2.32	2.67 3.22		<b>1.99</b>	2.54
	$\rho(\text{bcp})$	0.0234	0.0210	0.0090 0.0069		<b>0.0427</b>	0.0122
	$\nabla^2\rho(\text{bcp})$	0.0598	0.0541	0.0278 0.0214		<b>0.0912</b>	0.0349

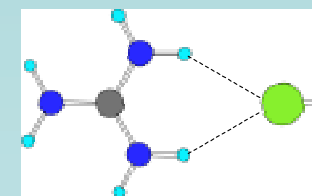
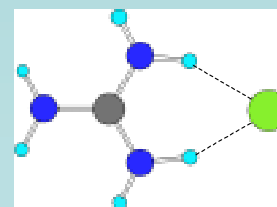
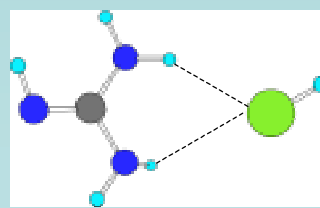
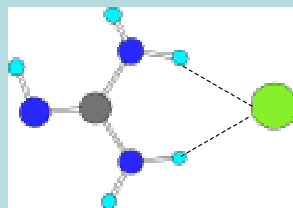




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Atomic charges calculated with NBO and AIM methods

		minus	neutral	plusminus	plus
B3LYP/ 6-31G*	Cl	-0.91 -0.89	-0.29 -0.26	-0.78 -0.79	-0.30 -0.27
	H	0.44 0.45	0.41 0.40	0.45 0.52	0.46 0.48
	H	0.44 0.46	0.42 0.41	0.45 0.52	0.46 0.48
B3LYP/ TZVP	Cl	-0.92 -0.89	-0.26 -0.25	-0.78 -0.78	-0.28 -0.27
	H	0.42 0.44	0.37 0.37	0.44 0.50	0.43 0.46
	H	0.42 0.44	0.38 0.38	0.44 0.50	0.43 0.46
MP2/ 6-31G*	Cl	-0.91 -0.90	-0.28 -0.27	-0.79 -0.81	-0.30 -0.29
	H	0.44 0.48	0.41 0.42	0.46 0.55	0.46 0.51
	H	0.44 0.48	0.42 0.43	0.46 0.55	0.46 0.51
MP2/ 6-311++G**	Cl	-0.91 -0.89	-0.24 -0.25	-0.75 -0.78	-0.26 -0.27
	H	0.41 0.45	0.37 0.38	0.43 0.52	0.43 0.47
	H	0.42 0.46	0.38 0.40	0.43 0.52	0.43 0.47
MP2/ aug-cc-pVDZ	Cl	-0.90 -0.90	-0.26 -0.27	-0.76 -0.81	-0.29 -0.30
	H	0.43 0.51	0.39 0.44	0.45 0.58	0.45 0.52
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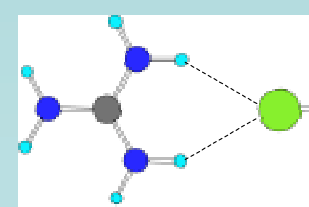
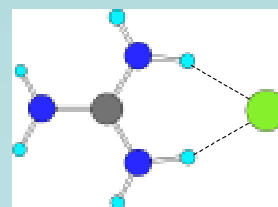
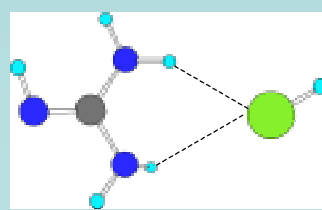
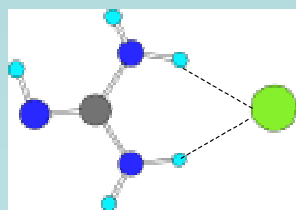




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Atomic energy calculated with AI M method

		minus	neutral	plusminus	plus
<b>B3LYP/ 6-31G*</b>	<b>Cl</b>	-461.27	-461.27	-461.35	-461.31
	<b>H</b>	-0.41	-0.45	-0.36	-0.40
	<b>H</b>	-0.46	-0.44	-0.36	-0.40
<b>B3LYP/ TZVP</b>	<b>Cl</b>	-460.77	-460.66	-460.81	-460.70
	<b>H</b>	-0.43	-0.48	-0.39	-0.43
	<b>H</b>	-0.43	-0.47	-0.39	-0.43
<b>MP2/ 6-31G*</b>	<b>Cl</b>	-460.15	-460.17	-460.23	-460.21
	<b>H</b>	-0.40	-0.44	-0.34	-0.39
	<b>H</b>	-0.39	-0.43	-0.34	-0.39
<b>MP2/ 6-311++G**</b>	<b>Cl</b>	-459.90	-460.03	-460.07	-460.05
	<b>H</b>	-0.43	-0.47	-0.37	-0.42
	<b>H</b>	-0.42	-0.46	-0.37	-0.42
<b>MP2/ aug-cc-pVDZ</b>	<b>Cl</b>	-459.72	-459.97	-459.82	-459.98
	<b>H</b>	-0.38	-0.42	-0.33	-0.38
	<b>H</b>	-0.37	-0.42	-0.33	-0.38





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### Conclusions (so far ...)

- Large  $E_1$ s for plusminus  $\gg$  minus  $\gg$  positive  $>$  neutral
- At all levels of calculation, correlations were found between HB distances and  $\rho(\text{bcp})$  and  $\nabla^2\rho(\text{bcp})$  as well as correlations between the orbital energy  $E(2)$  and  $\rho(\text{bcp})$
- Large decrease in Cl- atomic charge in plusminus complex  $\gg$  minus  $>$  plus  $>$  neutral
- Positive/negative charge assisted HBs (plusminus) are the strongest in terms of electron density characteristics at the bcp and distances  $\gg$  minus  $\gg$  plus  $>$  neutral



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