

Computational Supporting Information

Computing Organic Stereoselectivity – from Concepts to Quantitative Calculations and Predictions

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2. Derivation of equation 2

The Boltzmann population (i.e. thermal equilibrium) for any species i in an equilibrium mixture is given by:

$$p_i = \frac{e^{-\Delta G_i/RT}}{\sum_j e^{-\Delta G_j/RT}} \quad (\text{S.1})$$

where the normalization factor sums over all species j . To compute the equilibrium ratio of diastereomer A:B, each of which exists as a number of different conformers (the normalization factors cancel):

$$\frac{[A]}{[B]} = \frac{p_{A1} + p_{A2} + p_{A3} + \dots}{p_{B1} + p_{B2} + p_{B3} + \dots} = \frac{e^{-\Delta G_{A1}/RT} + e^{-\Delta G_{A2}/RT} + e^{-\Delta G_{A3}/RT} + \dots}{e^{-\Delta G_{B1}/RT} + e^{-\Delta G_{B2}/RT} + e^{-\Delta G_{B3}/RT} + \dots} \quad (\text{S.2})$$

The most stable conformation of all, in this case A1, is often used as the energy zero. Dividing Eq. S2 by $e^{-\Delta G_{A1}/RT}$ leads to equation 2 in the main text:

$$\frac{[A]}{[B]} = \frac{1 + e^{(\Delta G_{A1} - \Delta G_{A2})/RT} + e^{(\Delta G_{A1} - \Delta G_{A3})/RT} + \dots}{e^{(\Delta G_{A1} - \Delta G_{B1})/RT} + e^{(\Delta G_{A1} - \Delta G_{B2})/RT} + e^{(\Delta G_{A1} - \Delta G_{B3})/RT} + \dots}$$

2. Cartesian coordinates of computed transition structures used in the text

All molecular graphics were created using the *PyMOL Molecular Graphics System, Version 1.8 Schrödinger, LLC*. 3D animations of each of these structures have also been deposited as Supporting Information

Figure 7. S. Bahmanyar, K. N. Houk, H. J. Martin and B. List, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, 2003, **125**, 2475-2479.

C	1.350917	-1.248179	1.191522
H	-2.498020	-0.778511	-2.848188
H	0.191317	2.382293	-1.047972
C	2.108795	2.261155	-0.033011
H	-2.948406	-2.270007	-2.003207
H	-3.070600	-0.443080	-0.774822
H	-3.302539	-1.066983	0.095818
H	-3.985446	0.075566	-1.068064

H	0.066877	2.026267	0.661883
H	2.157783	3.348619	-0.156085
C	1.634593	-0.542602	-0.552453
H	1.493457	-1.472110	-1.099004
N	-0.706663	-0.142953	-0.794012
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C	0.654163	1.803989	-0.234934
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C	3.045382	0.041087	-0.693885
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C	-1.953850	0.559281	-0.405860
C	-1.000259	-1.454971	-1.430841
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H	2.722992	1.720355	-2.036114
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O	-1.332348	0.318127	1.966661
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C	-2.453837	-1.301552	-1.885256
H	-0.877894	-2.248486	-0.691354
C	3.050406	1.544131	-1.001264
H	3.592128	-0.507857	-1.469517
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H	2.423801	2.049123	0.997124
H	3.322742	-2.195793	0.919332
H	1.914000	-3.240854	0.578592
H	2.329397	-2.826200	2.247630

Figure 8. L. Simón and J. M. Goodman, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, 2008, **130**, 8741-8747.

C	1.70400	-1.22900	2.82800
N	0.67800	-1.71200	2.06400
C	0.79800	-2.73800	1.17200
C	2.05900	-3.22200	0.87700
C	2.99000	-1.66500	2.56500
C	3.22400	-2.47500	1.35900
H	3.49000	-1.64600	0.39500
H	-0.23400	-1.15800	2.04900
C	2.22900	-4.42800	0.04700
O	3.54100	-4.65900	-0.23700
O	1.34200	-5.16600	-0.34000
C	4.11600	-1.25400	3.41900
O	5.31800	-1.57400	2.85300
O	4.04500	-0.69700	4.50100
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H	4.15500	-3.03400	1.35600
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C	7.22500	-0.68300	-2.63200
C	7.11500	-1.17200	-1.33000
C	5.87600	-1.19300	-0.68700
C	4.72700	-0.73500	-1.34600
C	4.84700	-0.23200	-2.65300
C	6.08700	-0.20700	-3.28900
H	8.19000	-0.66600	-3.13000
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H	3.96700	0.14400	-3.16500
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C	-1.72600	3.08600	-0.06600
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C	-1.16100	4.91000	-1.56300
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Figure 10. R. N. Straker, Q. Peng, A. Mekareeya, R. S. Paton and E. A. Anderson, *Nat. Commun.*, 2016, **7**, 10109.

Rh	2.0609405	-0.4048841	-0.2119492
P	-0.0579165	0.6628089	-0.4769922
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C	-0.8385505	4.3129909	0.2823178
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H	1.0794525	1.0633059	-3.1352742
H	1.8032535	2.5503909	-3.7776092
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C	2.4430415	-0.3354601	1.8272218
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C	1.3429365	1.8530889	2.7387578
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Figure 12. R. S. Paton *Org. Biomol. Chem.* **2014**, *12*, 1717-1720.

C	-2.47193	-0.77229	-0.13177
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H	-5.14898	-4.36385	1.14043
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C	3.93561	-1.08837	-3.16360
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H	5.0037	1.38923	0.92867
H	3.17888	2.61206	-0.59549
C	2.30516	-0.30247	3.98346
H	1.67084	-1.18392	4.11948
H	3.29801	-0.53757	4.37281
H	1.87415	0.51584	4.56516