

Electronic Supplementary Information

An Infrared Spectroscopic and Theoretical Study on (CH₃)₃N-H⁺-(H₂O)_n, *n* = 1 – 22: Highly Polarized Hydrogen Bond Networks of Hydrated Clusters

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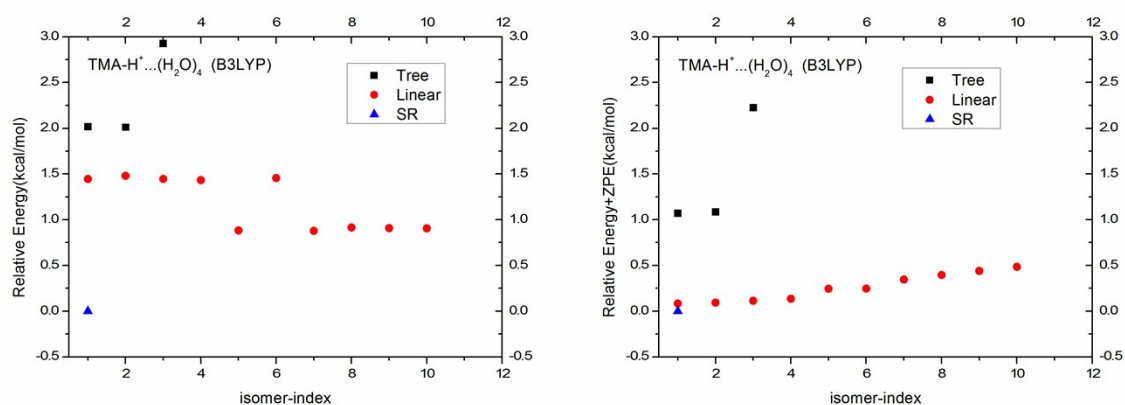
Supplementary Information (I)

Number of stable isomers optimized with B3LYP/6-31+G*.

B3LYP	Tree	Linear	SR	DR	MR	all
n=3	0	2	0	0	0	2
n=4	3	10	1	0	0	14
n=5	11	45	27	2	2	87
n=6	118	97	266	136	21	638

Geometry of all these isomers is available upon request.

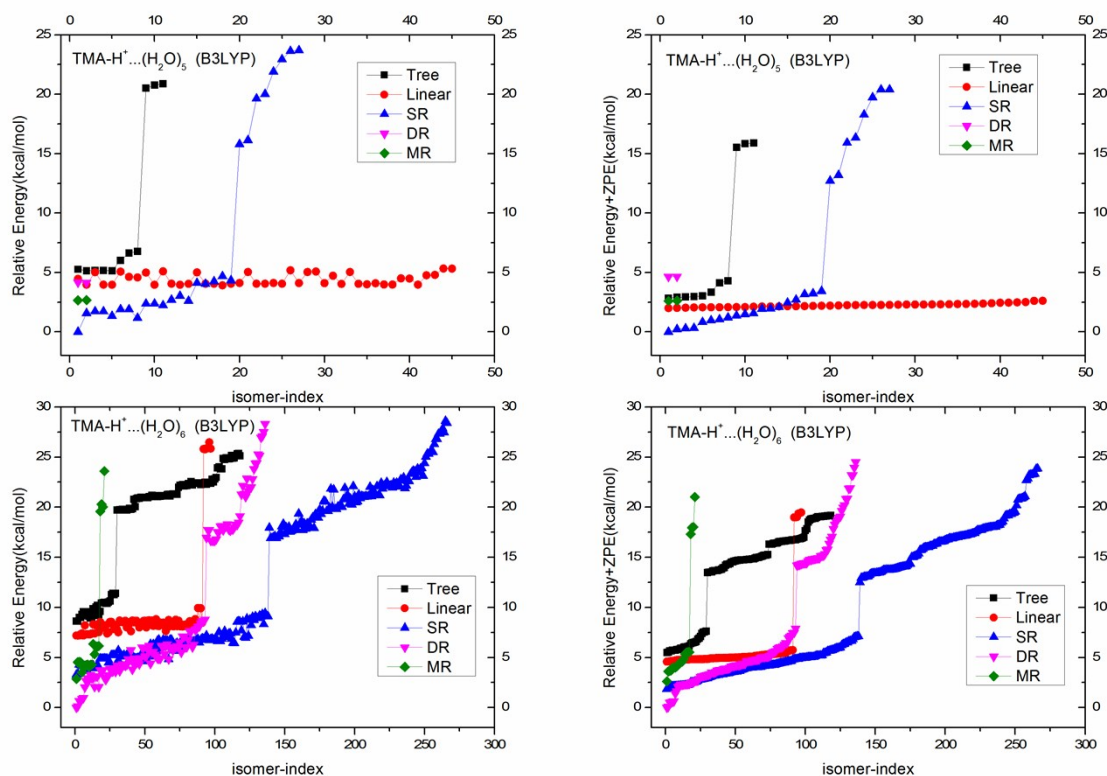
Relative energies of TMA-H⁺(H₂O)₄ with B3LYP/6-31+G*



In all 14 isomers, we can only find protonated TMA. We did not find any stable isomers with a proton transfered to the water moiety.

Relative energies of all isomers $\text{TMA-H}^+(\text{H}_2\text{O})_5$ (top) and $\text{TMA-H}^+(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6$ (bottom)

with B3LYP/6-31+G*



One can see a clear energy gap between two groups of isomers (regardless of their morphology): the more stable ones have protonated TMA ion cores and those less stable (by at least 12 kcal/mol) have a proton transferred to the water moiety.

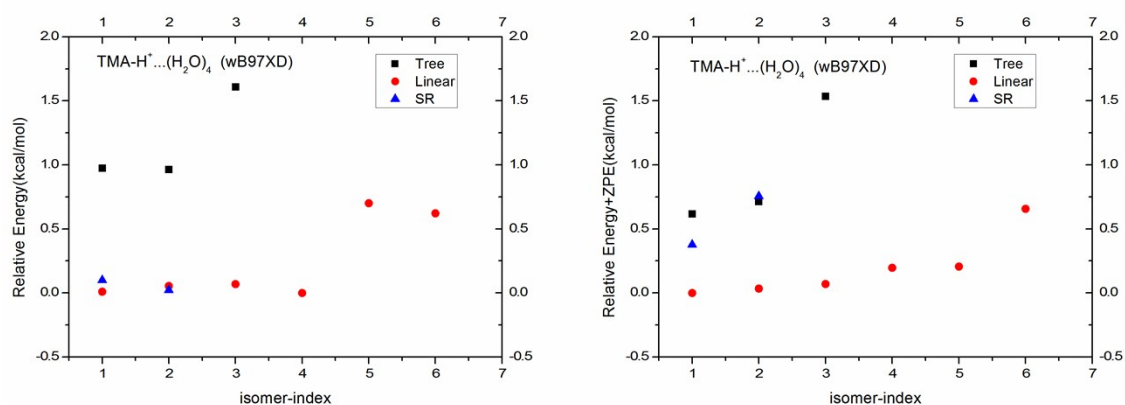
Supplementary Information (II)

Number of stable isomers after re-optimization with ω B97xD /6-311+G(2d,p).

	Tree	Linear	SR	DR	MR	all
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n=4	3	6	2	0	0	11
n=5	10	43	30	2	2	87
n=6	94	57	249	115	32	547

Geometry of all these isomers is available upon request.

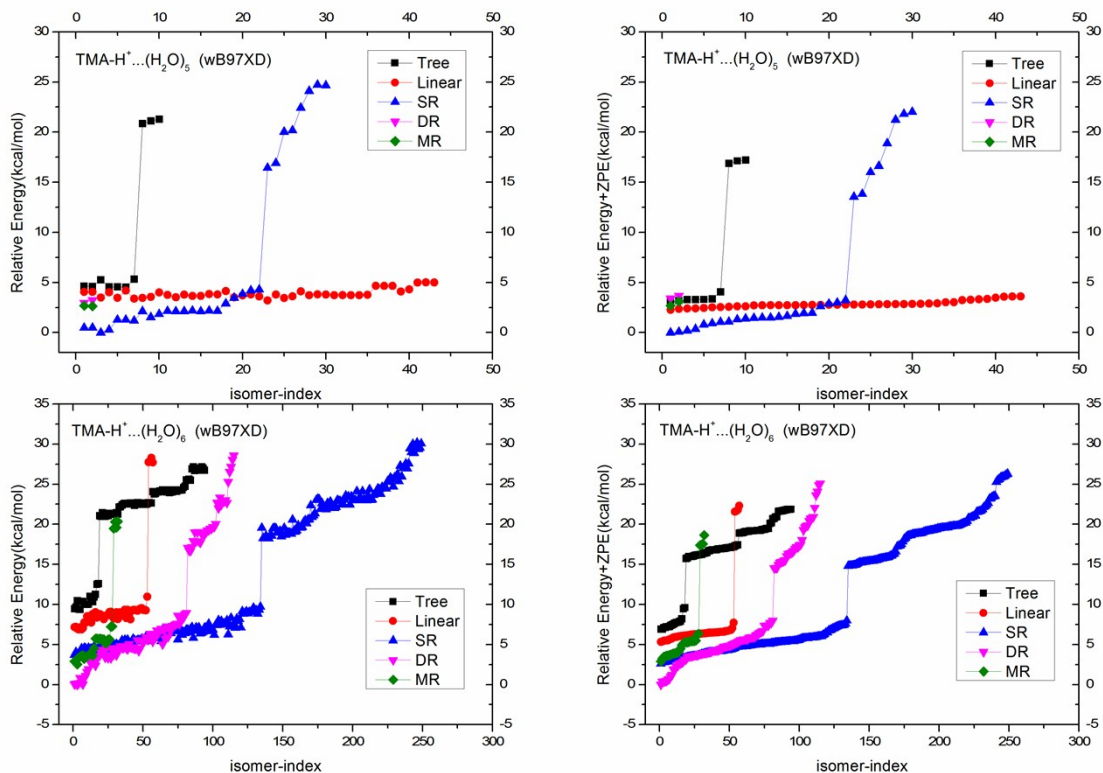
Relative energies of TMA- $\text{H}^+(\text{H}_2\text{O})_4$ with ω B97xD/6-311+G(2d,p)



In all 11 isomers, we can only find protonated TMA. We did not find any stable isomers with a proton transfered to the water moiety.

Relative energy of all isomers TMA-H⁺(H₂O)₅ (top) and TMA-H⁺(H₂O)₆ (bottom)

with ω B97xD/6-311+G(2d,p)

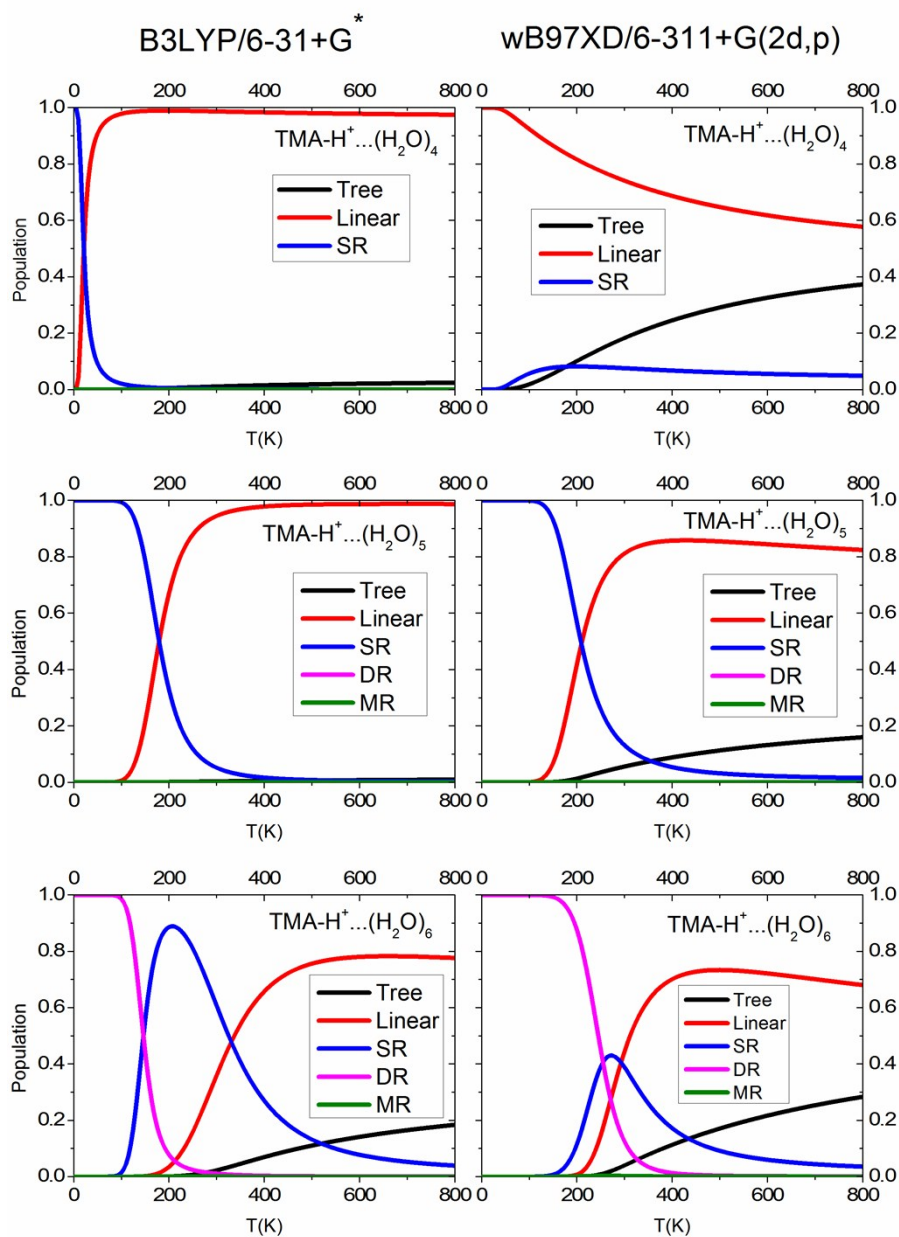


One can see a clear energy gap between two groups of isomers (regardless of their morphology): the more stable ones have protonated TMA ion cores and those less stable (by at least 12 kcal/mol) have a proton transferred to the water moiety. Note that this result is essentially same as that with the B3LYP calculations.

Supplementary Information (III)

Temperature dependence of isomer populations of $\text{TMA-H}^+(\text{H}_2\text{O})_n$ ($n = 4 - 6$) using B3LYP/6-31+G* (left panels) and $\omega\text{B97XD}/6\text{-}311\text{+G}(2\text{d,p})$ (right panels).

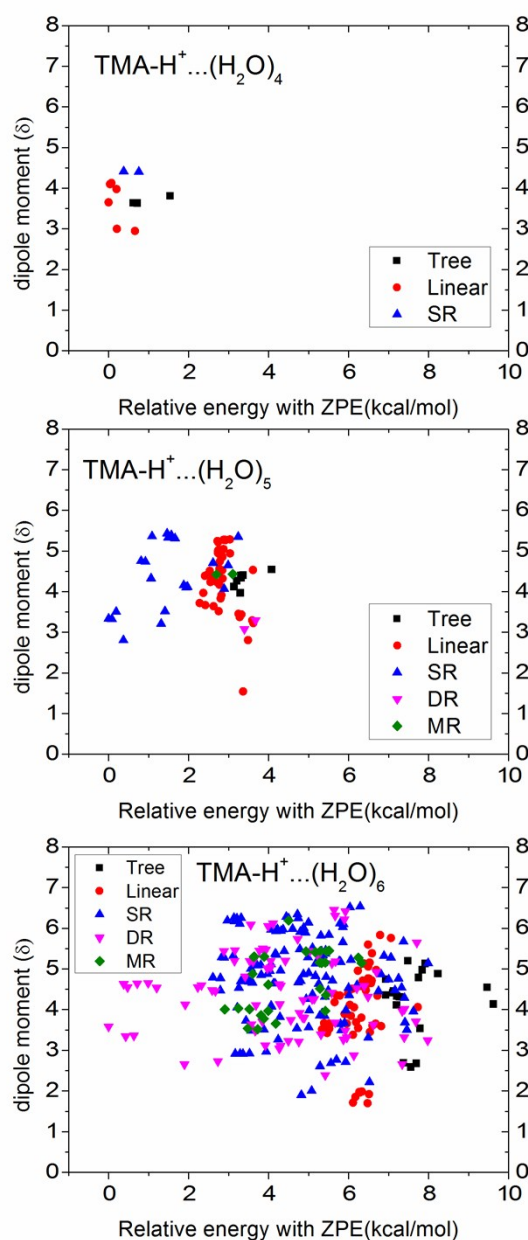
The two functionals give reasonable agreements for $n = 5$ and 6.



Supplementary Information (IV)

Complete calculation data sets on dependence of the magnitudes of dipole moment on their morphology for TMA-H⁺-(H₂O)_n (n = 4 – 6).

All the calculations were performed based on the geometry optimized by ω B97xD/6-311+G(2d,p).



Supplementary Information (V)

XYZ coordinates of all the structures shown in Figures 3 and 6 in the main text.

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