

## Understanding Am<sup>3+</sup>/Cm<sup>3+</sup> separation with H<sub>4</sub>TPAEN and its hydrophilic derivatives: A quantum chemical study

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### Electronic Supplementary Information

**Table S1** Changes of Gibbs free energies (kcal/mol) for back extraction Am<sup>3+</sup> and Cm<sup>3+</sup> complexes with three TPAEN type ligands from *n*-dodecane to aqueous solution at the M06-L/6-311+G(2df,p)/RECP level of theory.

Back reactions	$\Delta G_{\text{back-ext.}}$	$\Delta \Delta G_{\text{back-ext.}}^b$
An(TMDGA) <sub>3</sub> (NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3,org</sub> +H <sub>2</sub> L <sub>a</sub> <sup>2-</sup> <sub>aq</sub> →[AnL <sub>a</sub> ] <sub>aq</sub> +3NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> <sub>aq</sub> +2H <sup>+</sup> <sub>aq</sub> +3TMDGA <sub>org</sub>	-37.864/-41.065	-3.201
An(TMDGA) <sub>3</sub> (NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3,org</sub> +H <sub>2</sub> L <sub>b</sub> <sup>2-</sup> <sub>aq</sub> →[AnL <sub>b</sub> ] <sub>aq</sub> +3NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> <sub>aq</sub> +2H <sup>+</sup> <sub>aq</sub> +3TMDGA <sub>org</sub>	-28.452/-30.522	-2.071
An(TMDGA) <sub>3</sub> (NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3,org</sub> +H <sub>2</sub> L <sub>c</sub> <sup>2-</sup> <sub>aq</sub> →[AnL <sub>c</sub> ] <sub>aq</sub> +3NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> <sub>aq</sub> +2H <sup>+</sup> <sub>aq</sub> +3TMDGA <sub>org</sub>	-32.907/-33.095	-0.188
An(TMDGA) <sub>3</sub> (NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3,org</sub> +H <sub>3</sub> L <sub>a</sub> <sup>-</sup> <sub>aq</sub> →[AnL <sub>a</sub> ] <sub>aq</sub> +3NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> <sub>aq</sub> +3H <sup>+</sup> <sub>aq</sub> +3TMDGA <sub>org</sub>	-23.055/-26.255	-3.201
An(TMDGA) <sub>3</sub> (NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3,org</sub> +H <sub>3</sub> L <sub>b</sub> <sup>-</sup> <sub>aq</sub> →[AnL <sub>b</sub> ] <sub>aq</sub> +3NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> <sub>aq</sub> +3H <sup>+</sup> <sub>aq</sub> +3TMDGA <sub>org</sub>	-23.620/-25.691	-2.071
An(TMDGA) <sub>3</sub> (NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3,org</sub> +H <sub>3</sub> L <sub>c</sub> <sup>-</sup> <sub>aq</sub> →[AnL <sub>c</sub> ] <sub>aq</sub> +3NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> <sub>aq</sub> +3H <sup>+</sup> <sub>aq</sub> +3TMDGA <sub>org</sub>	-24.561/-24.749	-0.188
An(TMDGA) <sub>3</sub> (NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3,org</sub> +H <sub>4</sub> L <sub>a,aq</sub> →[AnL <sub>a</sub> ] <sub>aq</sub> +3NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> <sub>aq</sub> +4H <sup>+</sup> <sub>aq</sub> +3TMDGA <sub>org</sub>	-6.991/-10.191	-3.201
An(TMDGA) <sub>3</sub> (NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3,org</sub> +H <sub>4</sub> L <sub>b,aq</sub> →[AnL <sub>b</sub> ] <sub>aq</sub> +3NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> <sub>aq</sub> +4H <sup>+</sup> <sub>aq</sub> +3TMDGA <sub>org</sub>	-10.254/-12.325	-2.071
An(TMDGA) <sub>3</sub> (NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3,org</sub> +H <sub>4</sub> L <sub>c,aq</sub> →[AnL <sub>c</sub> ] <sub>aq</sub> +3NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> <sub>aq</sub> +4H <sup>+</sup> <sub>aq</sub> +3TMDGA <sub>org</sub>	-10.128/-10.317	-0.188

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