Supporting Information

The global motion affecting electron transfer of Plasmodium

falciparum type II NADH dehydrogenases: a novel non-

competitive mechanism of quinoline ketone derivative inhibitors

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Fig. S1 The convergence behavior of the three comparative MD simulations: the variations of radius gyration and potential energy (the upper right) over simulation time (A), the correlation of experimental B-factors with calculation data (B), the RMSD variations over simulation time (C) and the RMSF distribution (D).



Fig. S2 Conformational cluster analyses of *pf*NDH2_apo (A), *pf*NDH2_NADH (B) and *pf*NDH2_NADH_IN (C), where η represents the conformational proportion of each cluster.



Fig. S3 A schematic illustration of NADH molecular recognition. The top form lists the key residues at different distances around NADH; the middle histogram shows the sum of binding energy over different distance scopes; the lower inset displays the binding model of NADH with *pf*NDH2, where stick model represents NADH, and key residues are described with ball-stick model.



Fig. S4 A schematic illustration of RYL-552_{in} (A) and RYL-552_{out} (B) molecular recognition, where the subscript of A and H represents chain A and chain H of pfNDH2. The top form lists the key residues at different distances around RYL-552_{in}/ RYL-552_{out}; the middle histogram shows the sum of binding energy over different distance scopes; the lower inset displays binding model of RYL-552_{in}/ RYL-552_{out}, where stick model represents RYL-552_{in}/ RYL-552_{out}, and key residues are described with ball-stick model.



Fig. S5 The total number of hydrogen bonds in *pf*NDH2_apo (purple), *pf*NDH2_NADH (red) and *pf*NDH2_NADH_IN (green) during the unconstrained MD simulation (5-100 ns).



Fig. S6 The distance variation between key residues in *pf*NDH2_NADH and *pf*NDH2_NADH_IN, where subscript A/ H represent chain A / H of *pf*NDH2. The left inset shows the positional information of Y_H74 , R_H72 , S_H48 , N_H92 , S_H90 , K_H512 , Y_A475 , H_A479 , E_A214 , S_A497 , W_A500 and K_A501 in *pf*NDH2_NADH; the middle inset displays a series of distance variations over simulation time; the right inset reveals probability distribution of the corresponding distance.



Fig. S7 The hydrogen bonds network in the range of 12 Å around FAD and NADH in *pf*NDH2_NADH_IN (A). Red and purple colors are used to represent the key residues around FAD and NADH, respectively. The hydrogen bonds network in the range of 12 Å around FAD and NADH in *pf*NDH2_NADH (B). Red and purple colors are used to represent the key residues around FAD and NADH, respectively.



Fig. S8 The sequence alignment of pfNDH2 (PDB ID: 5JWA) with yeast type II NADH-Ubiquinone oxidoreductase (PDB ID: 4G6G).



Fig. S9 Radial distribution function (RDF) graphs of distances between FAD-N5 and NADH-C4 in the *pf*NDH2_NADH (A) and *pf*NDH2_NADH_IN (B) systems.



Fig. S10 A represents the correlation between the distance of FAD-N5 with NADH–C4 and the intramolecular angle *alpha* in *pf*NDH2_NADH (R= 0.81); B shows the correlation between the distance of FAD-N5 with NADH–C4 and the intramolecular angle *alpha* in *pf*NDH2_NADH_IN (R= 0.84); C displays the correlation between the distance of FAD-N5 with NADH–C4 and the intramolecular angle *beta* in *pf*NDH2_NADH (R= 0.62); D reveals the correlation between the distance of FAD-N5 with NADH–C4 and the intramolecular angle *beta* in *pf*NDH2_NADH (R= 0.62); D reveals the correlation between the distance of FAD-N5 with NADH–C4 and the intramolecular angle *beta* in *pf*NDH2_NADH (R= 0.73).