# Molecular dynamics simulations reveal distinct differences in conformational 

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Fig. S1 Sequence alignment for building the structural model of the unliganded gp120. "5FYJ_G" represents the sequence of the template extracted from the crystal structure with PDB ID 5FYJ (chain G), ${ }^{1}$ and "unliganded gp120" represents the target sequence. Conserved residues are shaded in light blue. Regular secondary structural elements are numbered according to the crystal structures with PDB IDs $3 J 70^{2}$ and 3 JWD ${ }^{3}$ from the HIV-1 HXBc2 isolate, with spirals (red) and arrows (orange) denoting the $\alpha$-helix and $\beta$-strand, respectively. The four blue line segments drawn above the alignment indicate the variable regions V1/V2, V3, V4, and V5, respectively. In the V1/V2 region, the four $\beta$-strands are labelled $\beta$ A to $\beta \mathrm{D}$, respectively, and the three connecting loops, i.e., the loop V1 (between $\beta A$ and $\beta B$ ), L1 (between $\beta \mathrm{B}$ and $\beta \mathrm{C}$ ), and V 2 (between $\beta \mathrm{C}$ and $\beta \mathrm{D}$ ), are also labelled.

No. of residues $\%=$ tage

| Most favored regions | $[\mathrm{A}, \mathrm{B}, \mathrm{L}]$ | 373 | $91.0 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Additional allowed regions | $[\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}, \mathrm{l}, \mathrm{p}]$ | 32 | $7.8 \%$ |
| Generously allowed regions | $[\sim \mathrm{a}, \sim \mathrm{b}, \sim 1, \sim \mathrm{p}]$ | 2 | $0.5 \%$ |
| Disallowed regions | $[\mathrm{XX}]$ | 3 | $0.7 \%$ |
| Total number of residues |  | 462 |  |

Fig. S2 Ramachandran plot of the constructed structural model of the unliganded gp120.

Table S1 Cosine contents of the first three eigenvectors (Eigs. 1 to 3) for the unliganded and CD4-complexed gp120s calculated from the equilibrated portions of the 10 independent replicas ( $10-100 \mathrm{~ns}$; replicas 1-10) and the 900 -ns joined equilibrium trajectories.

|  | Unliganded |  |  | CD4-complexed |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Eig. 1 | Eig. 2 | Eig. 3 | Eig. 1 | Eig. 3 |  |
| Replica 1 | 0.5796 | 0.3210 | 0.0408 | 0.6624 | 0.2412 | 0.3600 |
| Replica 2 | 0.6543 | 0.0561 | 0.0024 | 0.0234 | 0.2040 | 0.0327 |
| Replica 3 | 0.3368 | 0.1697 | 0.0179 | 0.5688 | 0.0642 | 0.1059 |
| Replica 4 | 0.7652 | 0.2472 | 0.0024 | 0.0506 | 0.6243 | 0.3437 |
| Replica 5 | 0.0440 | 0.0816 | 0.0000 | 0.4934 | 0.0016 | 0.0807 |
| Replica 6 | 0.2240 | 0.0404 | 0.3412 | 0.5208 | 0.0222 | 0.0107 |
| Replica 7 | 0.8223 | 0.0963 | 0.0033 | 0.3998 | 0.3055 | 0.0016 |
| Replica 8 | 0.8381 | 0.3207 | 0.0703 | 0.6430 | 0.6253 | 0.4043 |
| Replica 9 | 0.4874 | 0.0274 | 0.0025 | 0.5999 | 0.3918 | 0.1189 |
| Replica 10 | 0.0862 | 0.0130 | 0.2126 | 0.7029 | 0.2496 | 0.0298 |
| Joined | 0.1296 | 0.0266 | 0.0067 | 0.0137 | 0.0748 | 0.0070 |
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