

Supporting Information

Oxygen K-shell spectroscopy of isolated progressively solvated peptide

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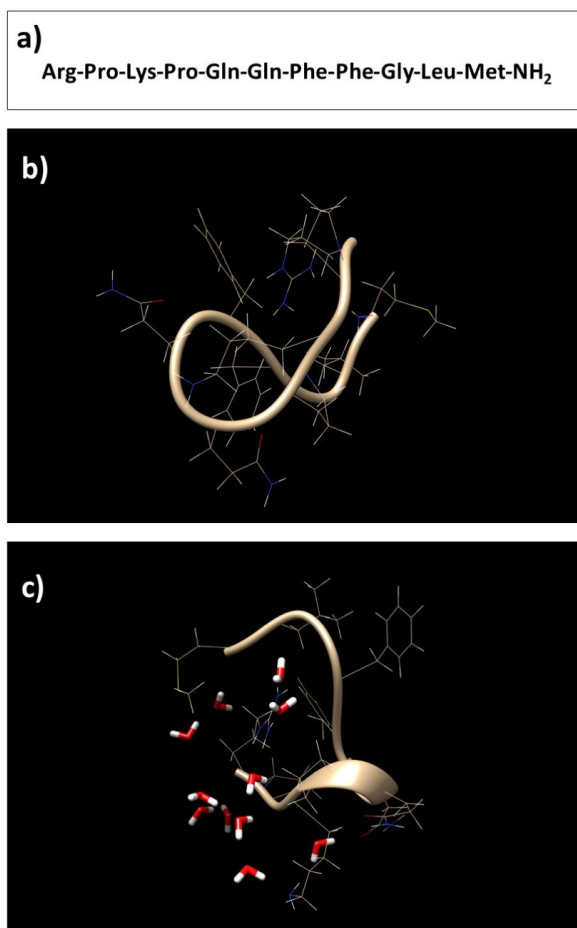


Fig.SI.1 a) Sequence of Substance P. Example structures from molecular dynamics of b) bare Substance P doubly protonated ion and c) Substance P doubly protonated ion with 11 water molecules.

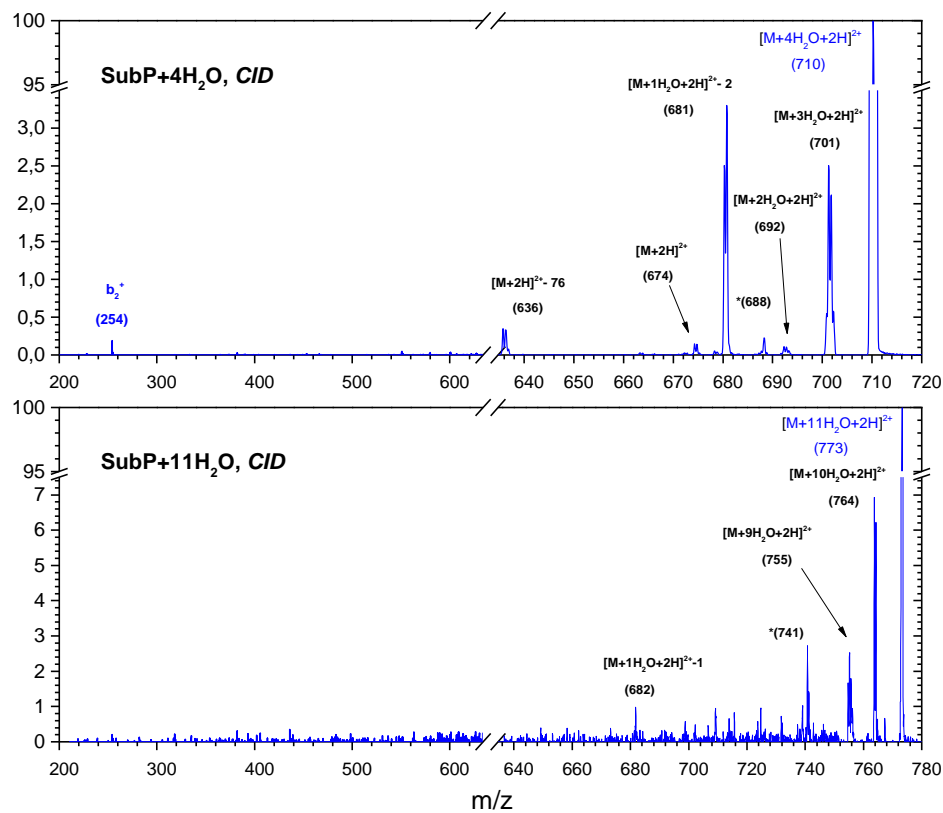


Fig.SI.2 Collision induced dissociation (CID) of substance P hydrated by 4 water molecules (top) and 11 water molecules (bottom panel).

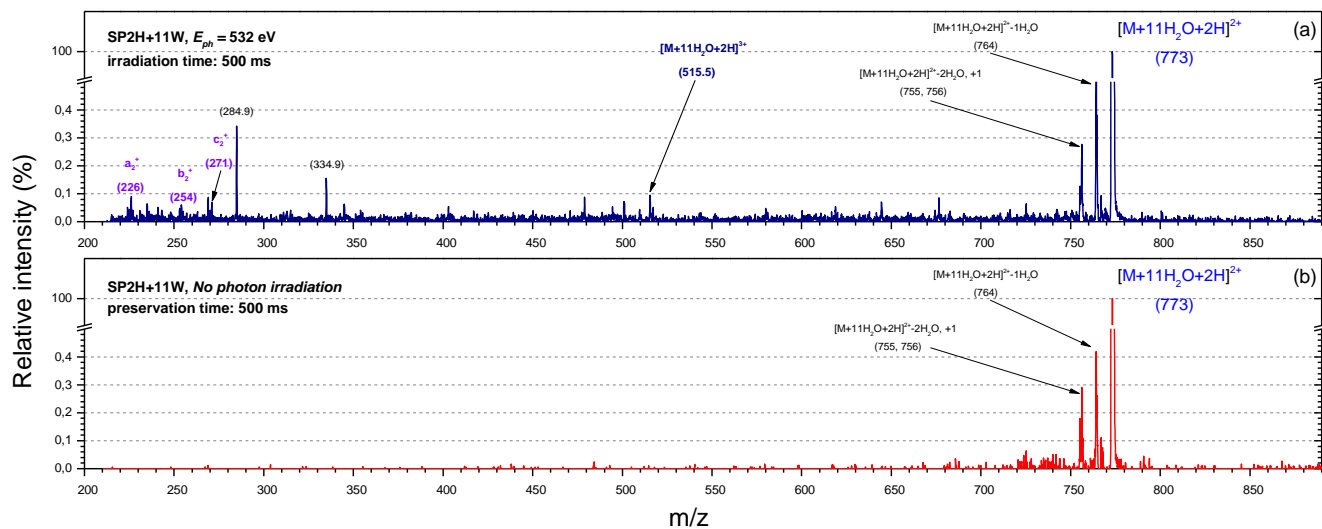


Fig.SI.3 Top panel: tandem mass spectrum of the Substance with 11 water molecules irradiated at 532 eV for 500 ms, showing the backbone fragments. Bottom panel: mass spectrum of the same precursor ion stored in the same conditions but without photon irradiation. The two water loss peaks are spontaneous evaporation and not triggered by photon absorption.

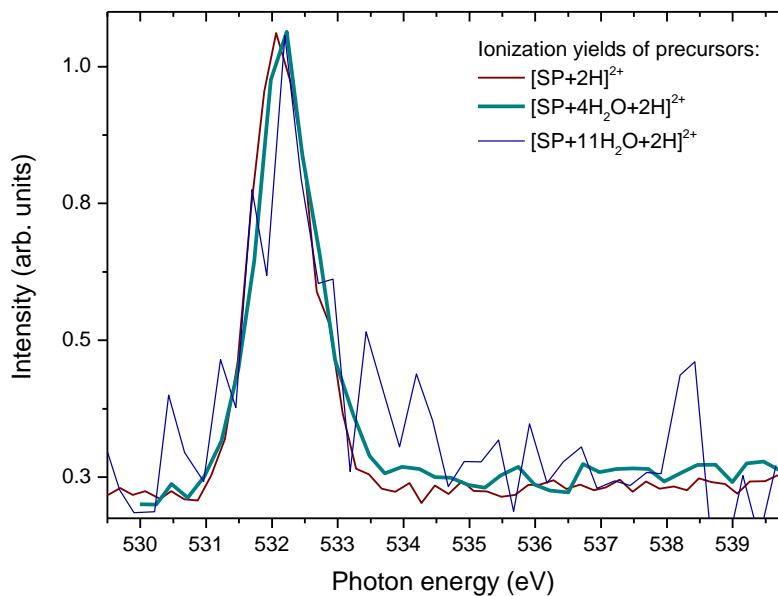


Fig.SI.4 Ion yields for the triply charged radical cations $[SP+2H]^{3+}$ (brown, m/z 449.6), $[SP+2H+4H_2O]^{3+}$ (green, m/z 473.2) and $[SP+2H+11H_2O]^{3+}$ (blue, m/z 515.5), produced by ionization of the corresponding bare and hydrated doubly charged precursors.

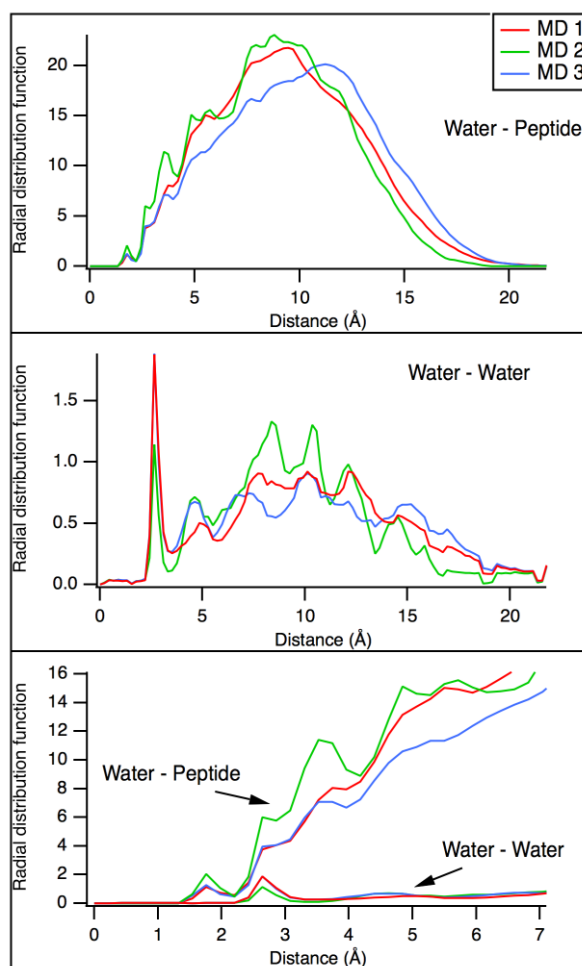


Fig.SI.5 Calculated radial distribution function for the water peptide distance (top panel), water-water (middle panel) for three molecular dynamic simulations (red, green and blue curves). Bottom panel compares both RDF in the 0-7 Å.