

# Computational predictions of metal-macrocycle stability constants require accurate treatments of local solvent and pH effects<sup>†</sup>

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# 1 Supporting Information

Figure S1 represents the uncomplexed [2.2.2] and ion-[2.2.2] structures optimized with B3LYP-D3BJ/def2-SVP, but def2-TZVP basis set is applied for the metal ions. Figure S2 shows the three lowest energy structures of Na-, K-, and Rb-[2.2.2] complexes optimized using B3LYP-D3BJ/def2-SVP level of theory, which are used for the binding energy calculations in Scheme 3. Figure S3 represents the three lowest energy structures for the divalent cation complexes, Ca-, Sr-, Zn-, and Pb-[2.2.2] with 16 explicit water molecules optimized with the same method. Figure S4 – S7 show the optimized Cartesian coordinates for the uncomplexed [2.2.2] and ion-[2.2.2] structures. Figure S8 – S14 show the optimized Cartesian coordinates for seven metal-[2.2.2] complexes with 16 water molecules. Each metal complexes has three coordinates.

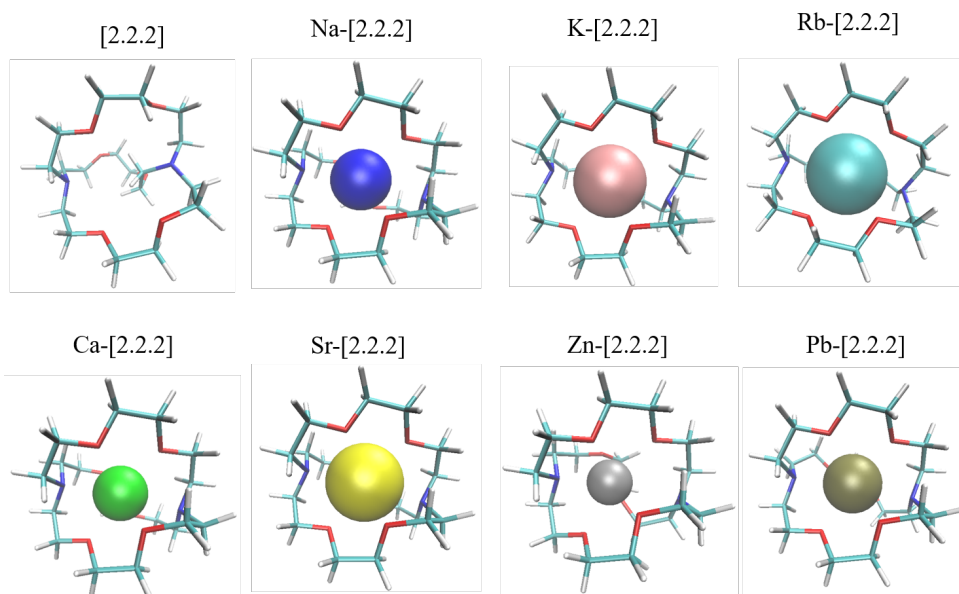
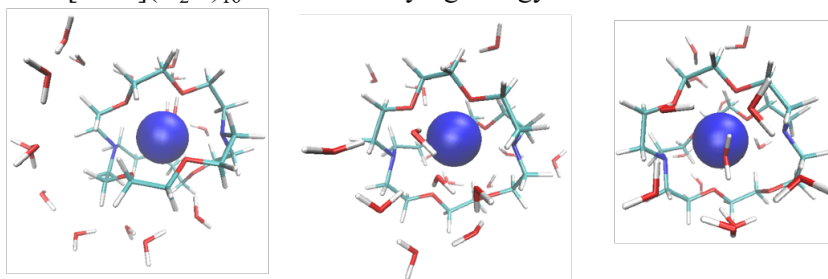
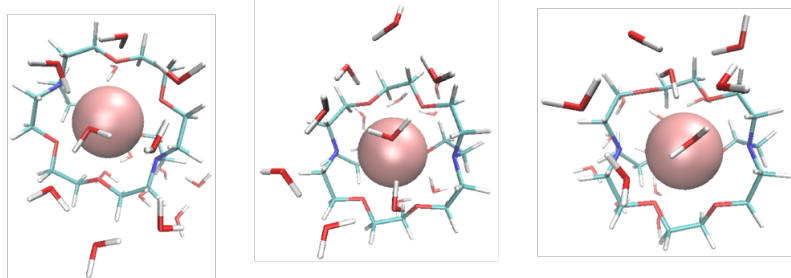


Figure S1: The optimized structures for [2.2.2] and ion-[2.2.2] complexes

Na-[2.2.2](H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>16</sub> : Three low-lying energy structures



K-[2.2.2](H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>16</sub> : Three low-lying energy structures



Rb-[2.2.2](H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>16</sub> : Three low-lying energy structures

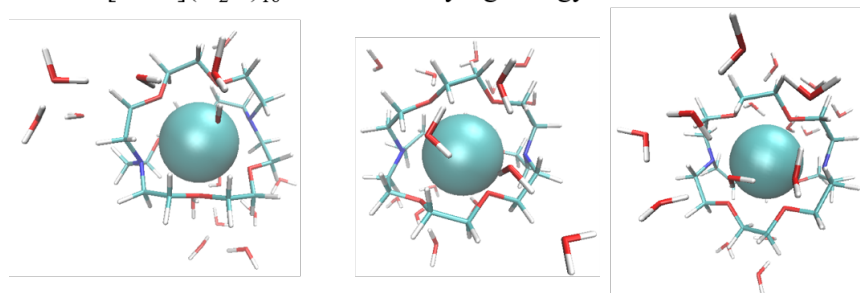
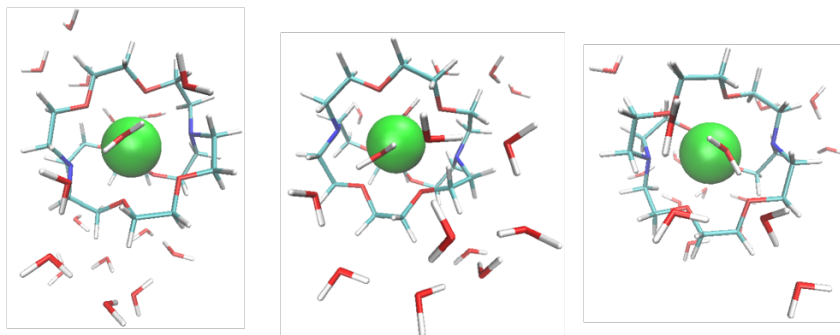
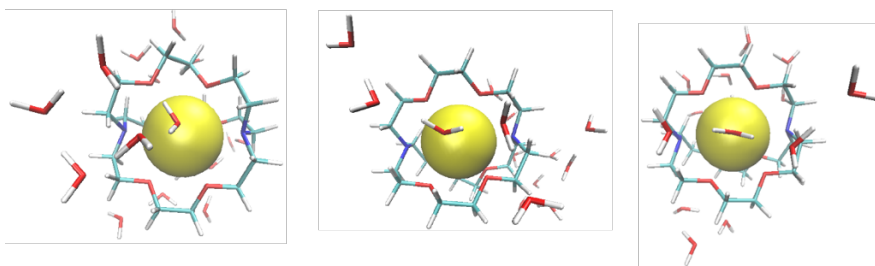


Figure S2: Three optimized structures for Na-,K-,and Rb-[2.2.2] complexes with 16 explicit water molecules

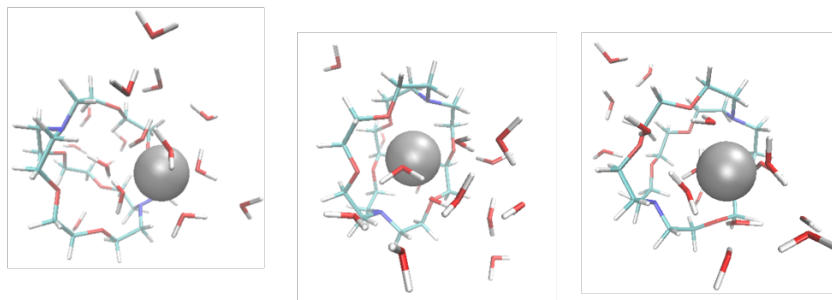
Ca-[2.2.2](H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>16</sub> : Three low-lying energy structures



Sr-[2.2.2](H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>16</sub> : Three low-lying energy structures



Zn-[2.2.2](H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>16</sub> : Three low-lying energy structures



Pb-[2.2.2](H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>16</sub> : Three low-lying energy structures

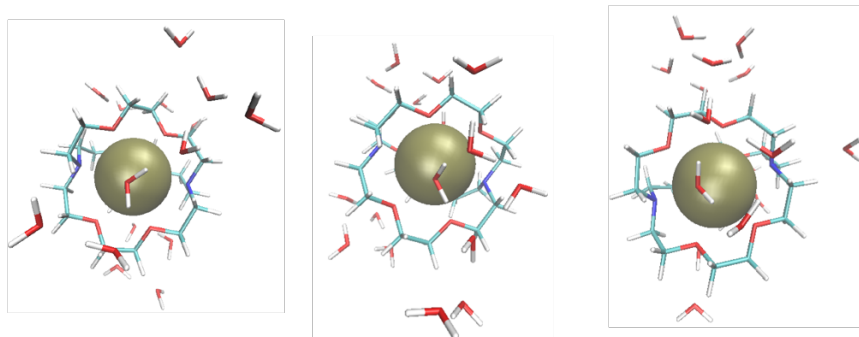


Figure S3: Three optimized structures for Ca-,Sr-,Zn-,and Pb-[2.2.2] complexes with 16 explicit water molecules



















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Figure S12: Three optimized coordinates for Sr-[2.2.2] complexes with 16 explicit water molecules





Figure S15 shows the partial charges used in OPLS force field for the molecular dynamics simulations, which are taken from [1].

Atoms	Partial Charge	Atoms	Partial Charge	Atoms	Partial Charge
NT	-0.171	HC	0.128	CT	-0.198
NT	-0.171	CT	-0.198	CT	0.244
CT	-0.198	CT	0.244	HC	0.128
CT	0.244	HC	0.128	HC	0.128
HC	0.128	HC	0.128	OS	-0.405
HC	0.128	OS	-0.405	HC	-0.021
OS	-0.405	HC	-0.021	HC	-0.021
HC	-0.021	HC	-0.021	CT	0.244
HC	-0.021	CT	0.244	CT	0.244
CT	0.244	CT	0.244	HC	-0.021
CT	0.244	HC	-0.021	HC	-0.021
HC	-0.021	HC	-0.021	OS	-0.405
HC	-0.021	OS	-0.405	HC	-0.021
OS	-0.405	HC	-0.021	HC	-0.021
HC	-0.021	HC	-0.021	CT	0.244
HC	-0.021	CT	0.244	CT	-0.198
CT	0.244	CT	-0.198	HC	-0.021
CT	-0.198	HC	-0.021	HC	-0.021
HC	-0.021	HC	-0.021	HC	0.128
HC	-0.021	HC	0.128	HC	0.128
HC	0.128	HC	0.128		

Figure S15: Partial charges for [2.2.2] atoms used in OPLS force field.

## References

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