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## Strychnine and its mono- and dimeric analogues: A pharmaco-chemical perspective

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**Figure S1.** Binding mode of Strychnine at the orthosteric binding site at the (A)  $\alpha/\alpha$ , (B)  $\alpha/\beta$  and (C)  $\beta/\alpha$  interfaces in the cryo-EM structure of heteromeric  $\alpha 2/\beta$  GlyR (PDB: 7KUY)<sup>113</sup>. With the exception of Tyr231 in loopC of the principal subunit and Phe142 of  $\beta 5$  sheet of the complementary subunit, all orthosteric binding site residues are identical among the  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -subunits of GlyRs.



**Figure S2** Docked pose of 2-nitrostrychnine **37** in the orthosteric binding site of homomeric  $\alpha$ 3 GlyR (PDB code: 5CFB)<sup>111</sup>. Only side chain atoms are shown for clarity.



**Figure S3.** Docked pose of 21,22 dihydrostrychnine **17** in the orthosteric binding site of homomeric  $\alpha$ 3 GlyR (PDB code: 5CFB)<sup>111</sup>. Only side chain atoms are shown for clarity.



**Figure S4.** Docked pose of **34c** in the orthosteric binding site of AcAChBP (PDB code: 508T)<sup>155</sup>. Only side chain atoms are shown for clarity.