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## Computational Insights in Repurposing Cardiovascular Drug for Alzheimer's Disease: The Role of Aromatic Amino Acids in Stabilizing the Drug through $\pi$ - $\pi$ Stacking Interaction

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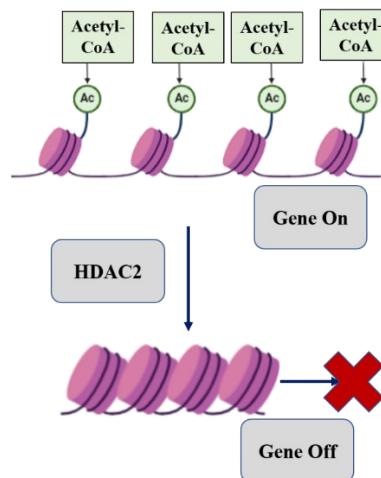
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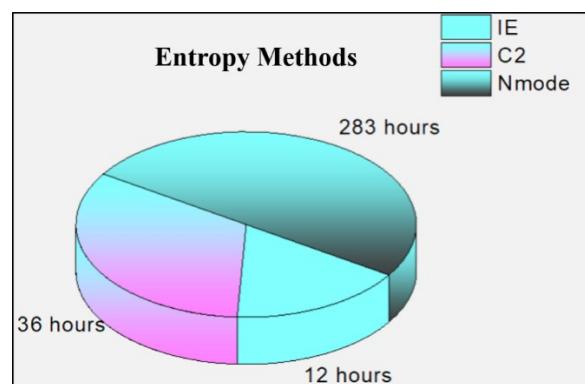
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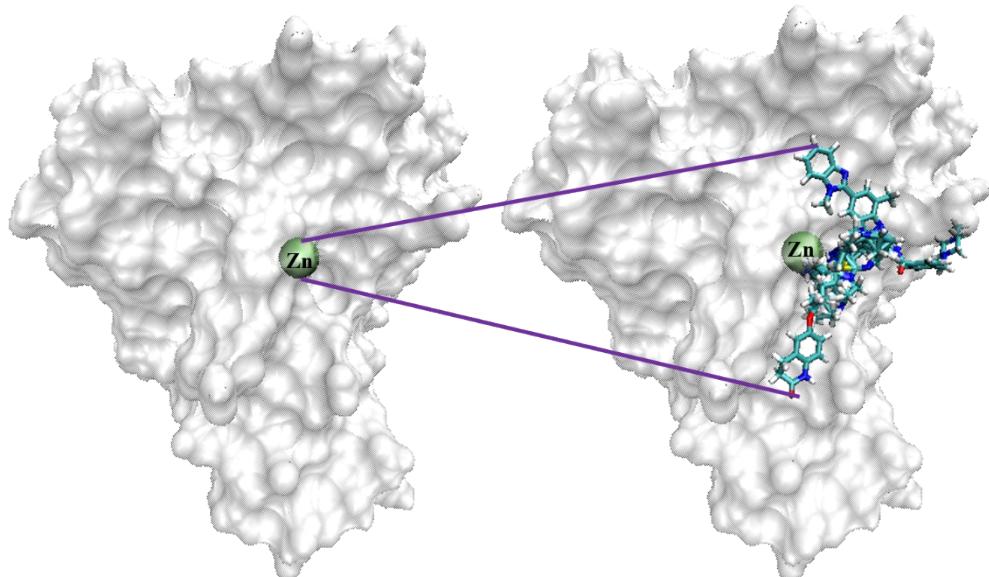
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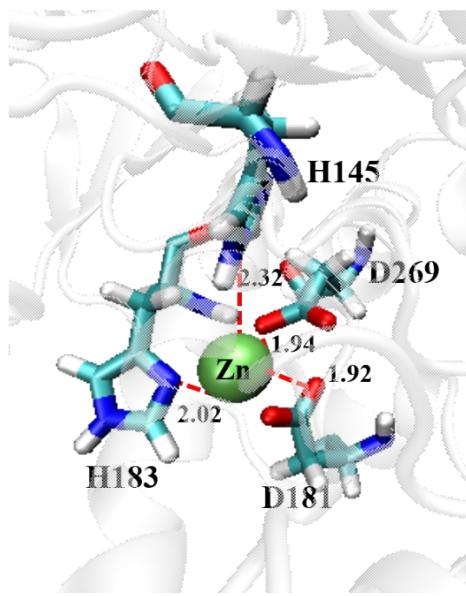
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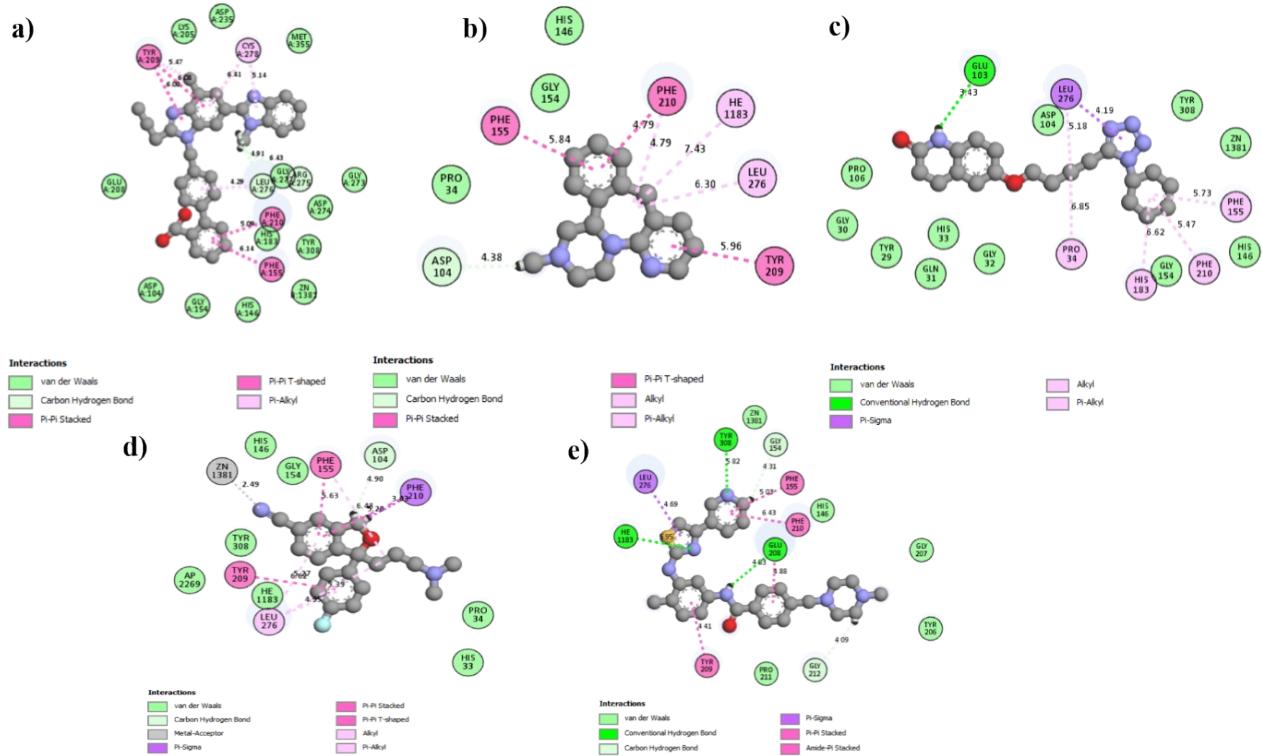


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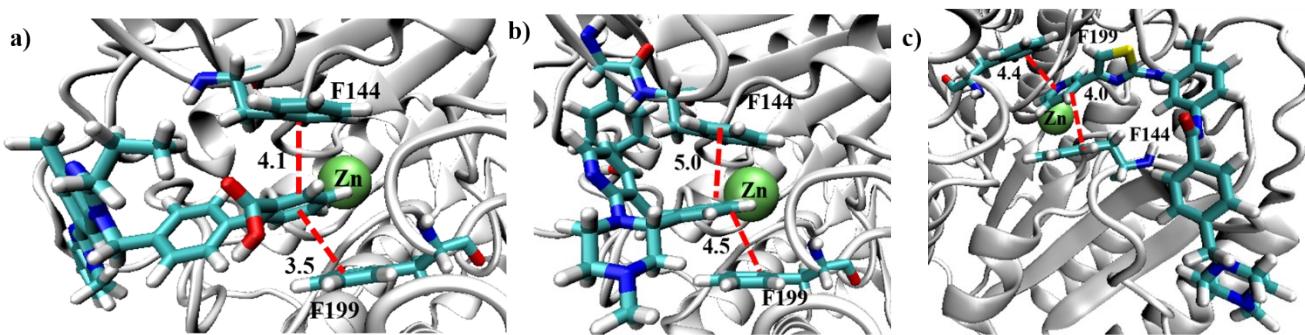


Bond	Bond Distance reported in ZAFF (Å)		Bond Distance (Å)
	Minimum distance (Å)	Maximum distance (Å)	
ZN-NE1	1.60	2.75	2.02
ZN-OD1	1.68	2.98	1.94
ZN-OD2	1.35	2.51	1.92
ZN-N1	1.82	2.56	2.32

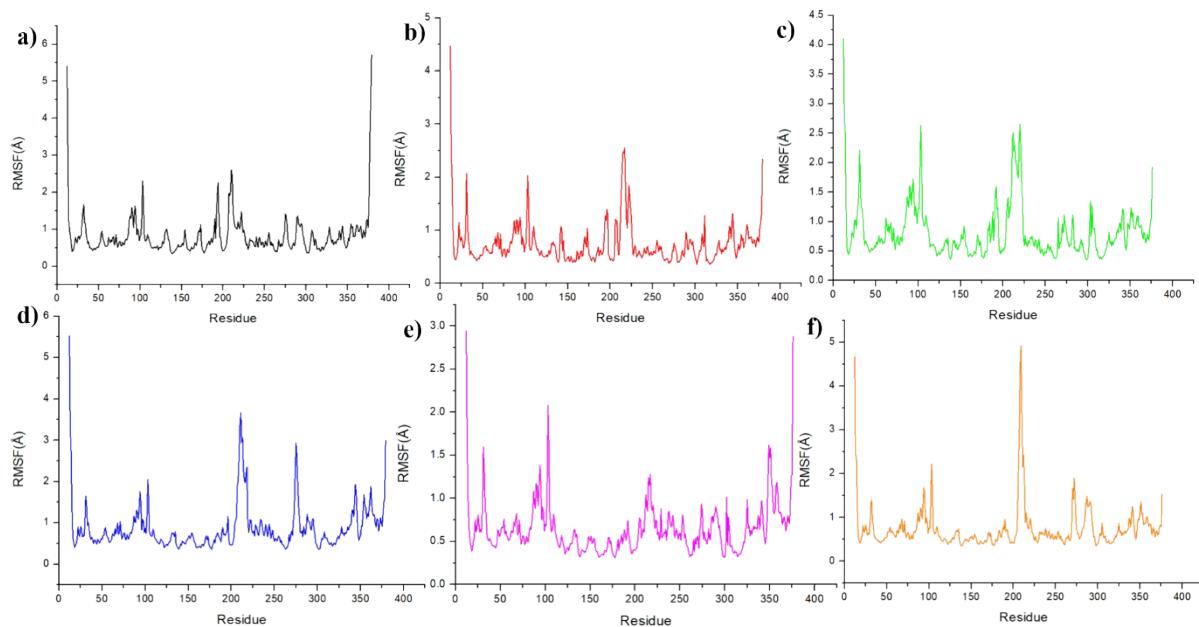
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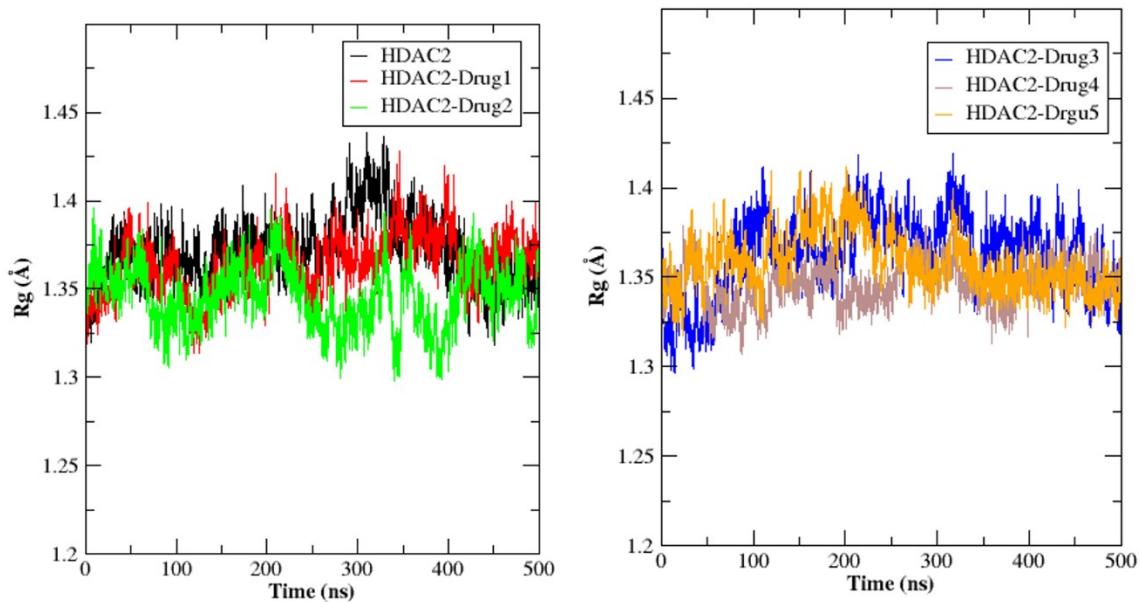
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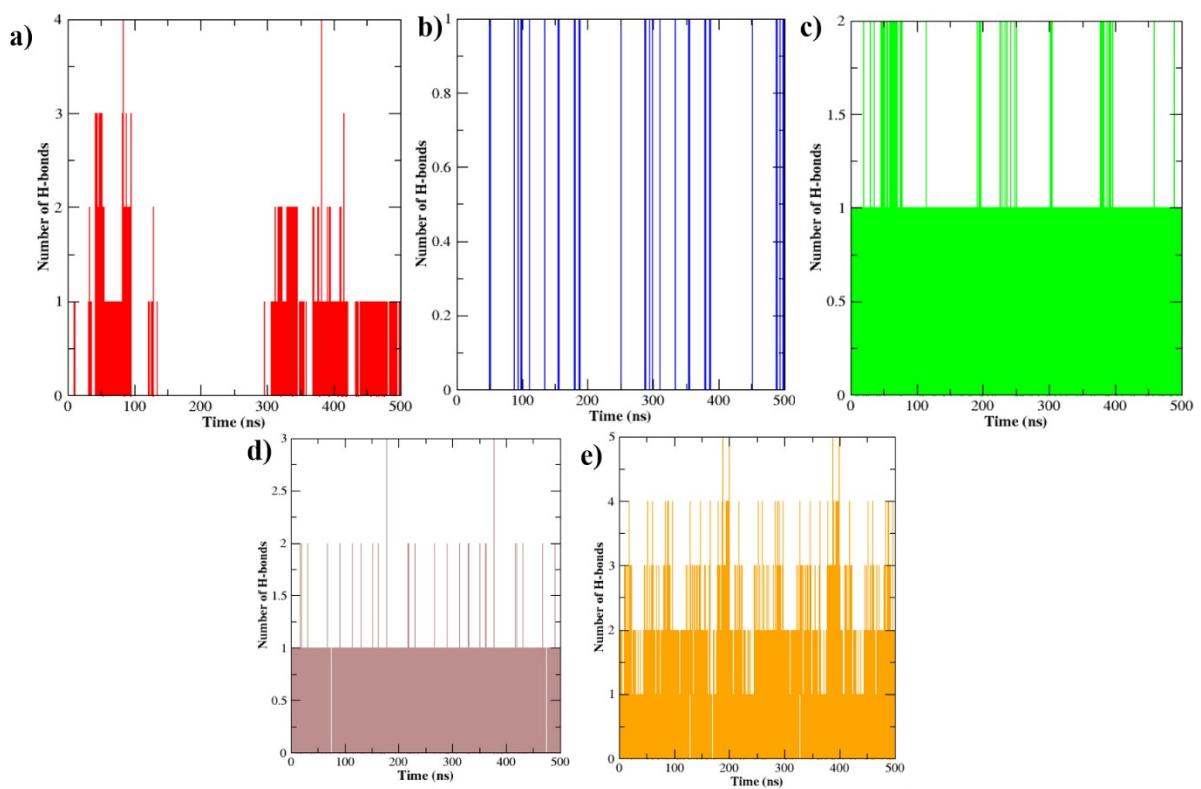
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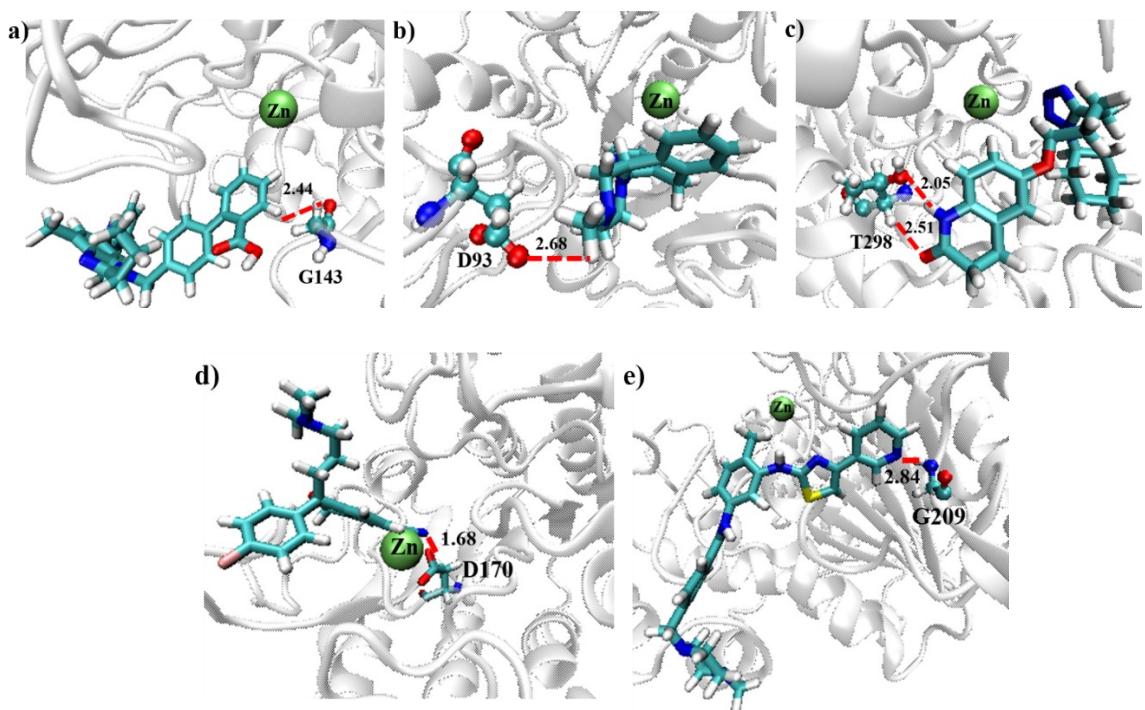
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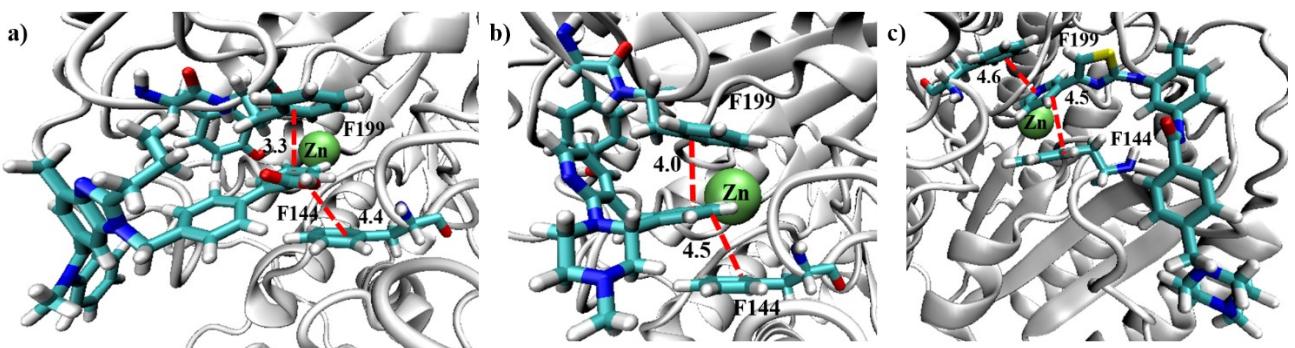
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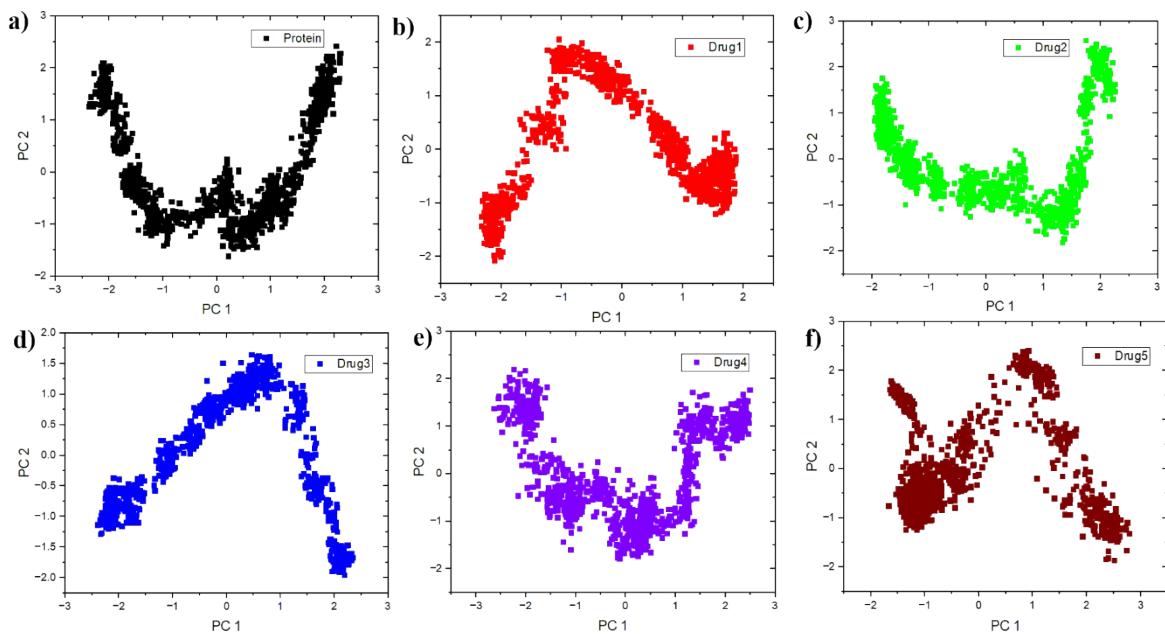
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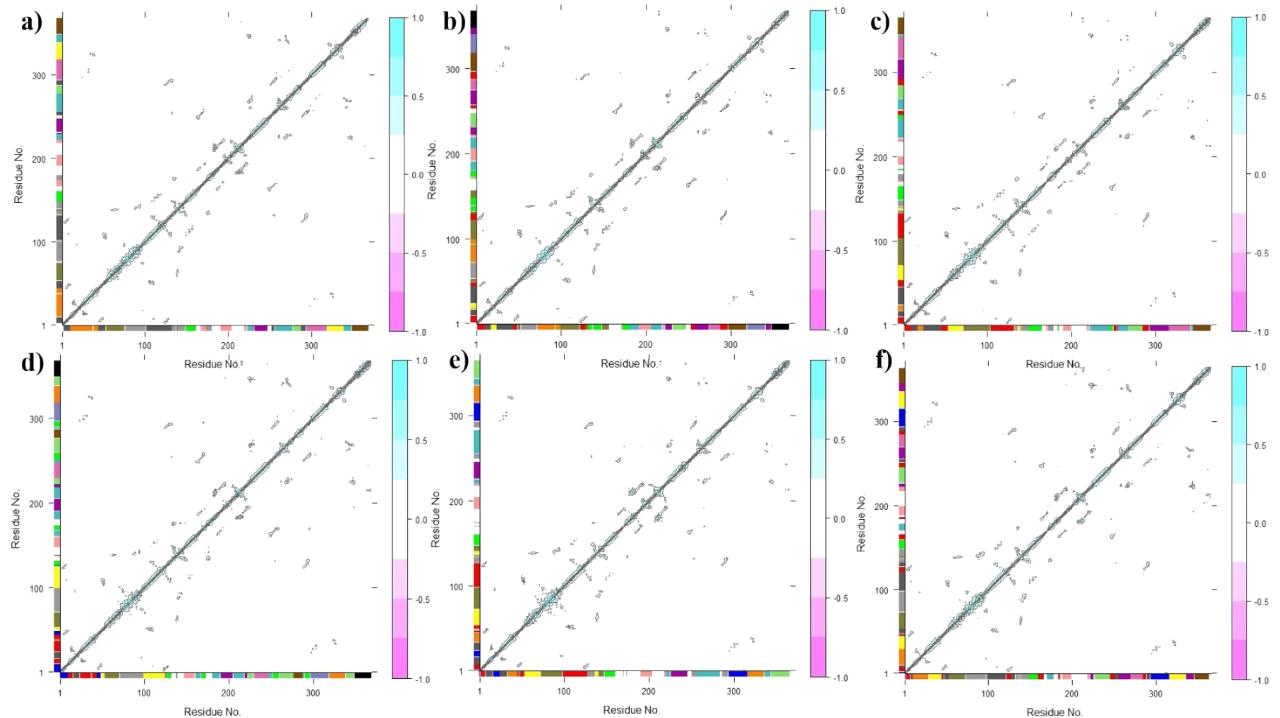
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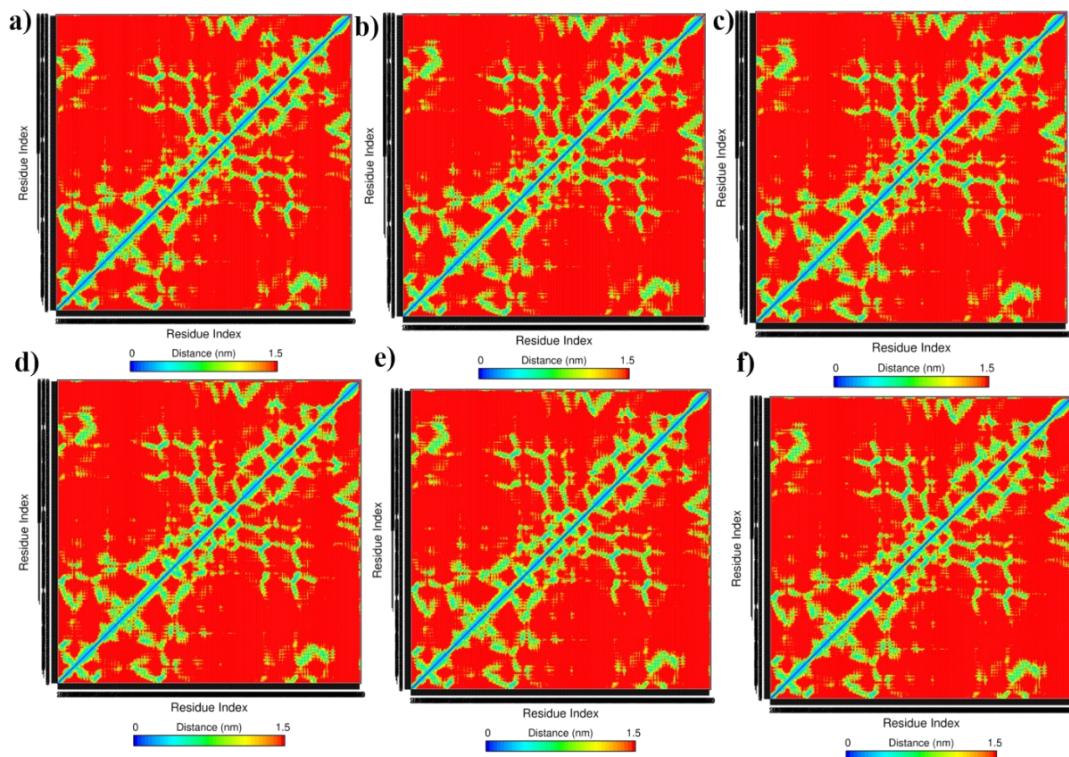
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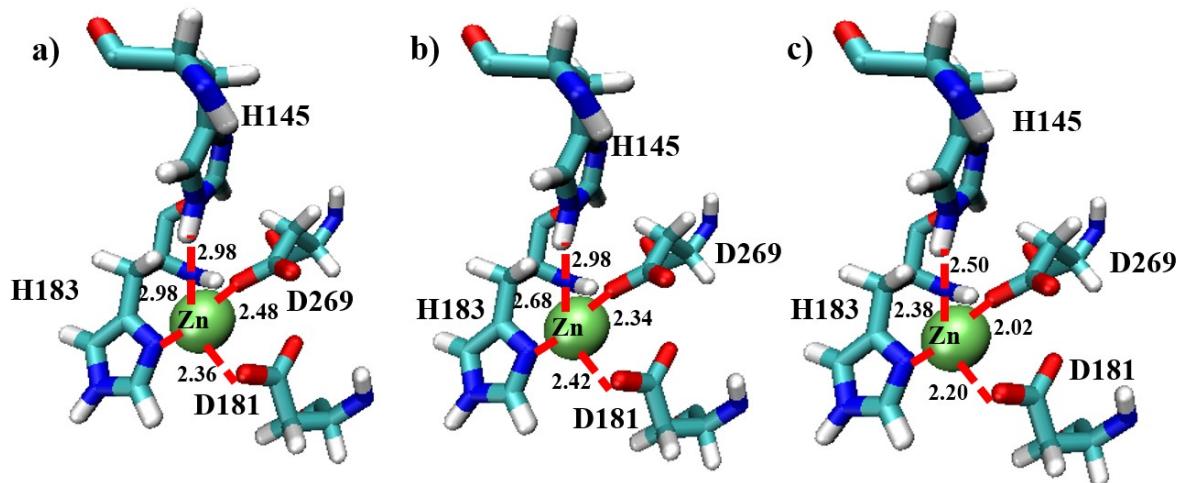
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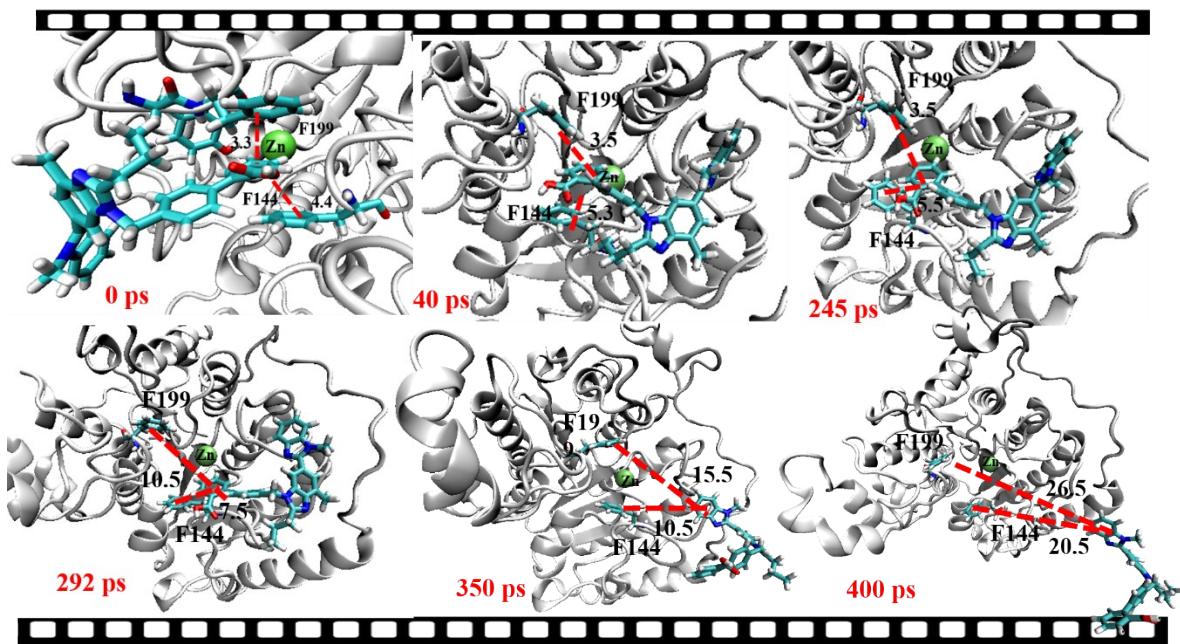
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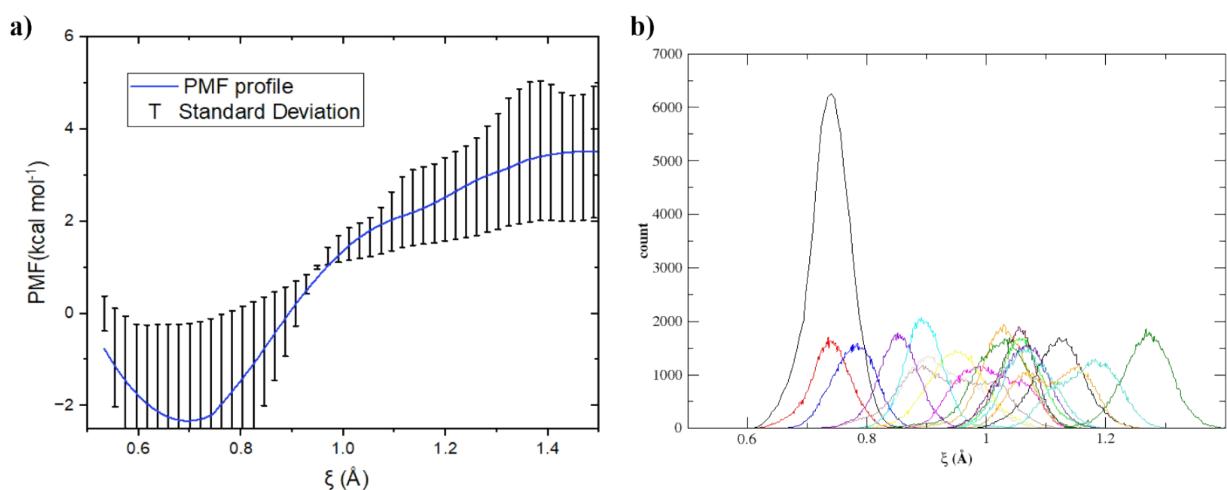
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**Table S2.** Docking binding scores of 58 compounds against HDAC2.

S.No	Drugs	Docking Scores
1	Aciclovir	-5.4
2	Allopregnanolone	-6.2
3	Amlodipine	-5.2
4	Atorvastatin	-7.2
5	Allopurinol	-5.2
6	Bdpp	-6.3
7	Benfotiamine	-6.2
8	Bromocriptine	-7.6
9	Bupropion	-5.9
10	Candesartan	-7.2
11	Cannabidiol	-5.9
12	<b>Cilostazol</b>	<b>-8.7</b>
13	Cromolyn	-7.1
14	Dabigatran	-7.0
15	Dapagliflozin	-7.6
16	Deferiprone	-4.8
17	Donepezil	-7.2
18	Dronabinol	-6.5
19	Efavirenz	-7.0
20	Empagliflozin	-7.3
21	<b>Escitalopram</b>	<b>-8.7</b>
22	Fasudil	-6.3
23	Foscarnet	-4.5
24	Galatamine	-5.5
25	Guanfacine	-5.5
26	Icosapent-Ethyl	-4.9
27	Levetiracetam	-4.8
28	Levodopa	-5.9
29	Losartan	-6.3
30	<b>Mastinib</b>	<b>-8.6</b>
31	Metformin	-4.6
32	Methylphenidate	-6.1
33	<b>Mirtazapine</b>	<b>-8.8</b>
34	Montelukast	-8.0
35	Nicotinamide	-5.4
36	Nicotine	-5.3
37	Nilotinib	-7.4
38	Penciclovir	-5.6
39	Perindopril	-4.6
40	Phenserine	-7.2
41	Prazosin	-7.3
42	Raloxifene	-7.1
43	Riluzole	-6.4
44	Rivastigmine	-4.6
45	Rosigitazone	-6.0
46	Rotigotine	-6.2

47	Salsalate	-6.7
48	Sodium-Phenyl butyrate	-6.0
49	<b>Telmisartan</b>	<b>-9.4</b>
50	Thalidomide	-7.4
51	Thiethylperazine	-6.3
52	Valaciclovir	-5.6
53	Valacyclovir	-5.7
54	Venlafaxine	-6.2
55	Vorinostat	-6.3
56	Zidovudine	-5.5
57	Zolpidem	-6.3
58	Zopiclone	-6.4

**Table S3.** Bond and angle parameters of Drug 1 with the HDAC2 zinc-binding site.

Bond Type	Bond stretch force constant (Kcal/(mol*Å <sup>2</sup> ))	Bond length (Å)
ZN-E1	68.53	2.028
ZN-D1	73.98	1.945
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ZN-O	42.69	2.018
C -O2	656.00	1.250
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OH-ZN	78.64	1.951
N1-ZN	60.82	1.993
O2-ZN	37.89	2.093
NB-ZN	84.50	1.992
O2-ZN	52.32	2.051
Angle Type	Angle bend force constant [Kcal/(mol*rad <sup>2</sup> )]	Angle [degree]
O -ZN-E1	23.313	117.307
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E1-ZN-D1	29.398	109.410
E1-ZN-D2	34.849	115.434
D1-ZN-D2	42.090	102.624
C -O -ZN	27.898	138.471
C -D1-ZN	39.878	134.618
C -D2-ZN	54.049	114.941
CR-E1-ZN	63.840	118.961
CC-E1-ZN	68.556	133.570
CW-CC-E1	70.000	120.000
H5-CR-E1	35.000	120.000

NA-CR-E1	70.000	120.000
CC-E1-CR	70.000	117.000
CT-CC-E1	70.000	120.000
CT-C -D1	70.000	117.000
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D1-ZN-OH	28.321	81.560
E1-ZN-OH	231.671	98.119
D2-ZN-OH	27.440	98.008
HO-OH-ZN	52.287	78.808
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CZ-N1-ZN	147.253	22.662
O2-ZN-NB	125.352	42.029
O2-ZN-O2	110.640	39.595
CO-O2-ZN	88.343	91.355
CR-NB-ZN	133.855	61.171
NB-ZN-O2	125.685	32.215
CC-NB-ZN	118.776	58.056
CO-O2-ZN	92.675	96.664

**Table S4.** Bond and angle parameters of Drug 2 with the HDAC2 zinc-binding site.

Bond Type	Bond stretch force constant (Kcal/(mol*Å <sup>2</sup> ))	Bond length (Å)
ZN-E1	68.53	2.028
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E1-ZN-OH	231.671	98.119
D2-ZN-OH	27.440	98.008
HO-OH-ZN	52.287	78.808
N -OH-ZN	71.024	108.152
D1-ZN-N1	126.122	28.798
E1-ZN-N1	109.70	39.800
D2-ZN-N1	114.003	41.808
CZ-N1-ZN	147.253	22.662

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Drug-1	1.33	0.78	1.64
Drug-2	1.43	0.83	1.67
Drug-3	1.57	0.88	1.69
Drug-4	1.45	0.74	1.68
Drug-5	1.50	0.78	1.64

**Table S9.** The average values of H-bond analysis of protein-ligand complexes.

Compounds	The average no. of H-bonds
Drug-1	1
Drug-2	1
Drug-3	1
Drug-4	1
Drug-5	1

**Table S10.** Binding energy values for protein-ligand complexes in Interaction Entropy (IE) method

Compounds	Enthalpy ( $\Delta H$ ) kcal mol <sup>-1</sup>	Entropy (T $\Delta S$ ) kcal mol <sup>-1</sup>	Total Binding Free Energy ( $\Delta G_{bind}$ ) kcal mol <sup>-1</sup>
Drug-1	-34.40 ± 2.28	-8.70 ± 2.18	-25.70 ± 2.23
Drug-2	-30.49 ± 1.12	-15.80 ± 1.19	-14.69 ± 1.15
Drug-3	-15.52 ± 1.22	-7.21 ± 1.87	-8.31 ± 1.04
Drug-4	-11.12 ± 1.98	-7.60 ± 1.66	-3.52 ± 1.82
Drug-5	-15.97 ± 2.69	-12.60 ± 2.89	-3.37 ± 2.79
Romidepsin	-15.54 ± 3.66	-8.50 ± 1.98	-7.04 ± 0.82

**Table S11.** Binding energy values for protein-ligand complexes in the C2 method.

<b>Compounds</b>	<b>Enthalpy (<math>\Delta H</math>) kcal mol<math>^{-1}</math></b>	<b>Entropy (<math>T\Delta S</math>) kcal mol<math>^{-1}</math></b>	<b>Total Binding Free Energy (<math>\Delta G_{bind}</math>) kcal mol<math>^{-1}</math></b>
Drug-1	-20.08 ± 1.28	-10.97 ± 1.26	-9.11 ± 1.14
Drug-2	-19.08 ± 2.10	-11.01 ± 3.14	-8.07 ± 2.25
Drug-3	-25.09 ± 2.24	-18.27 ± 1.13	-6.82 ± 1.16
Drug-4	-18.97 ± 3.12	-12.19 ± 2.14	-6.78 ± 2.14
Drug-5	-16.09 ± 1.13	-10.01 ± 2.15	-5.99 ± 1.13
Romidepsin	-15.24 ± 3.15	-11.01 ± 1.13	-4.23 ± 2.14

**Table S12.** Binding energy values for protein-ligand complexes in normal mode method.

<b>Compounds</b>	<b>Enthalpy (<math>\Delta H</math>) kcal mol<math>^{-1}</math></b>	<b>Entropy (<math>T\Delta S</math>) kcal mol<math>^{-1}</math></b>	<b>Total Binding Free Energy (<math>\Delta G_{bind}</math>) kcal mol<math>^{-1}</math></b>
Drug-1	-24.14 ± 1.12	-8.15 ± 2.12	-15.98 ± 2.10
Drug-2	-18.20 ± 2.44	-16.93 ± 2.65	-1.27 ± 2.14
Drug-3	-12.42 ± 3.24	-7.58 ± 2.23	-4.84 ± 3.62
Drug-4	-11.12 ± 4.12	-7.60 ± 2.25	-3.52 ± 1.14
Drug-5	-10.22 ± 1.24	-4.60 ± 2.54	-5.62 ± 3.12
Romidepsin	-10.12 ± 3.23	-5.60 ± 2.45	-4.52 ± 3.12

**Table S13.** Per-residue decomposition analysis for protein-ligand complexes.

<b>Amino acid residues</b>	<b>Drug-1 (kcal mol<math>^{-1}</math>)</b>	<b>Drug-2 (kcal mol<math>^{-1}</math>)</b>	<b>Drug-3 (kcal mol<math>^{-1}</math>)</b>	<b>Drug-4 (kcal mol<math>^{-1}</math>)</b>	<b>Drug-5 (kcal mol<math>^{-1}</math>)</b>
Pro 23	-1.44	-1.46	-2.30	-0.21	-0.23
<b>Phe144</b>	<b>-2.48</b>	<b>-1.61</b>	<b>-2.28</b>	<b>-0.42</b>	<b>-2.06</b>
<b>Phe199</b>	<b>-2.77</b>	<b>-1.00</b>	<b>-0.57</b>	<b>-1.09</b>	<b>-1.33</b>
Leu265	-3.05	-2.22	-1.42	-1.46	-0.02
<b>Tyr198</b>	<b>-1.79</b>	<b>-0.47</b>	<b>-1.26</b>	<b>-3.12</b>	<b>-0.28</b>