

Supporting Information:
Exploring the Conformation Dependent
Reactivity and Dynamics of a Dinucleotide
Inhibitor of Ribonuclease A

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Supplementary Information

Definition of *closed* and *open* of the inhibitor from the distance between N (-NH₂) of adenine base and =O of uracil (d_{ee}):

$$\textit{Closed} - d_{ee} \leq 10 \text{ \AA}$$

$$\textit{Open} - d_{ee} > 10 \text{ \AA}$$

Table S1: Total ground-state energies (Hartree) of the optimized structure of the *open* conformer at the B3LYP/def2-TZVP level with two different dispersion correction methods.

	[B3LYP/def2-TZVP IOP(3/124=40)]	[B3LYP/def2-TZVP IOP(3/124=30)]
Total Energy (Hartree)	-3995.3971	-3995.3117

Table S2: Ground state energies of the optimized structures of *closed* and *open* conformers at different levels of theory.

PUA	B3LYP/def2-TZVP	B3LYP/6-31G++(d,p)	HF/6-31G
<i>Closed</i>	-3995.2162	-3994.024	-3975.2169
<i>Open</i>	-3995.1958	-3994.021	-3975.2113

Table S3: Comparison of total energies (Hartree) and global reactivity descriptors (eV) for *closed* conformer with ribose and arabinose units optimized at the B3LYP/def2-TZVP level.

	<i>Closed (ribose)</i>	<i>Closed (arabinose)</i>
Energy (Hartree)	-3995.2148	-3995.2162
Descriptors (eV)		
Electronegativity	3.72	3.88
Chemical Potential	-3.72	-3.88
Global Hardness	2.46	2.49
Global Softness	0.20	0.20
Electrophilicity Index	2.81	3.03
Softness	0.40	0.40

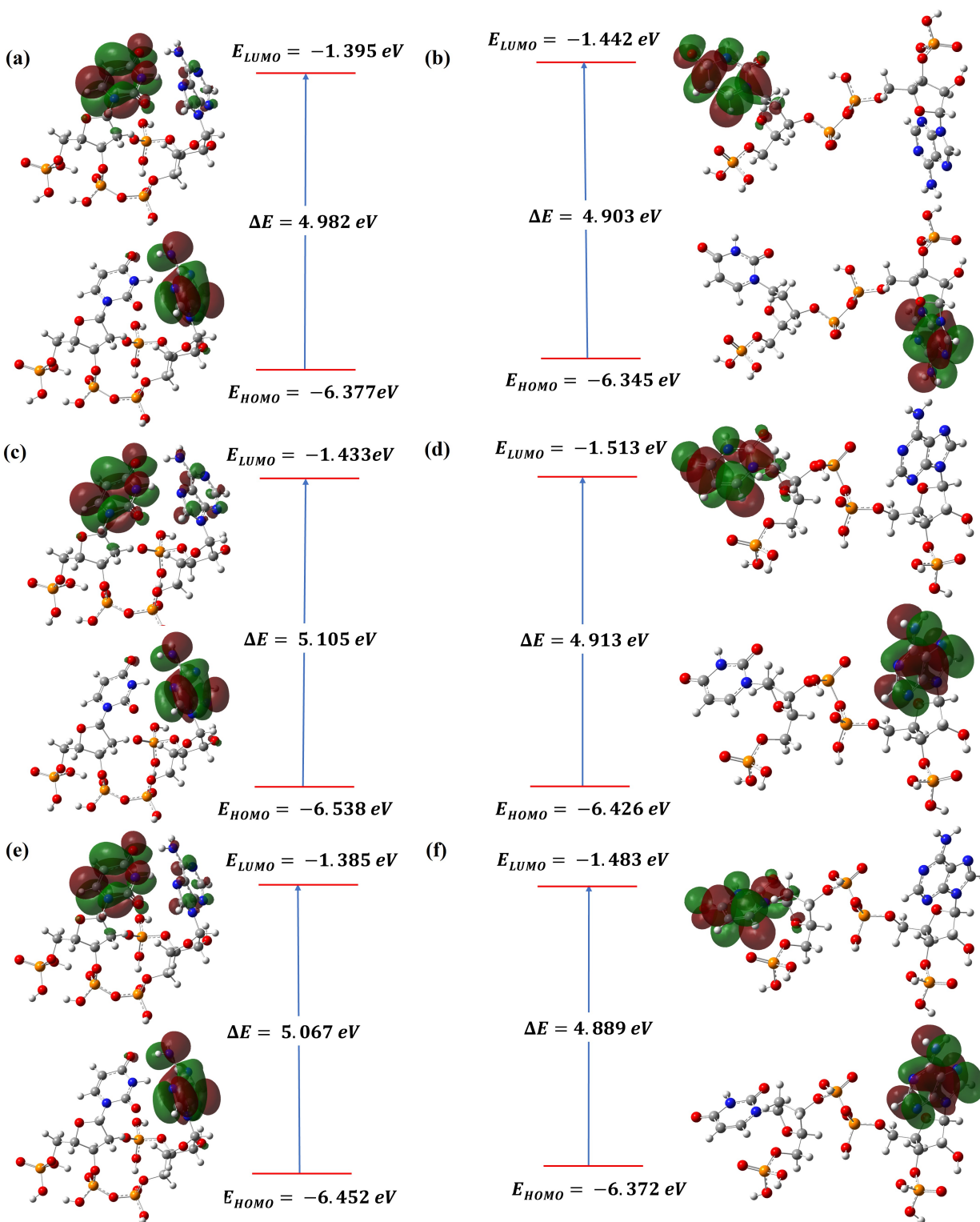


Figure S1: HOMO-LUMO gap for the (a,c,e) *closed* and (b,d,f) *open* conformers of PUA in (a,b) the gas phase (c,d) in water and (e,f) diethyl ether without dispersion correction terms in the calculation of total energy, E . Also shown the HOMO and LUMO orbitals; green and red lobes represent the negative and positive electron densities, respectively.

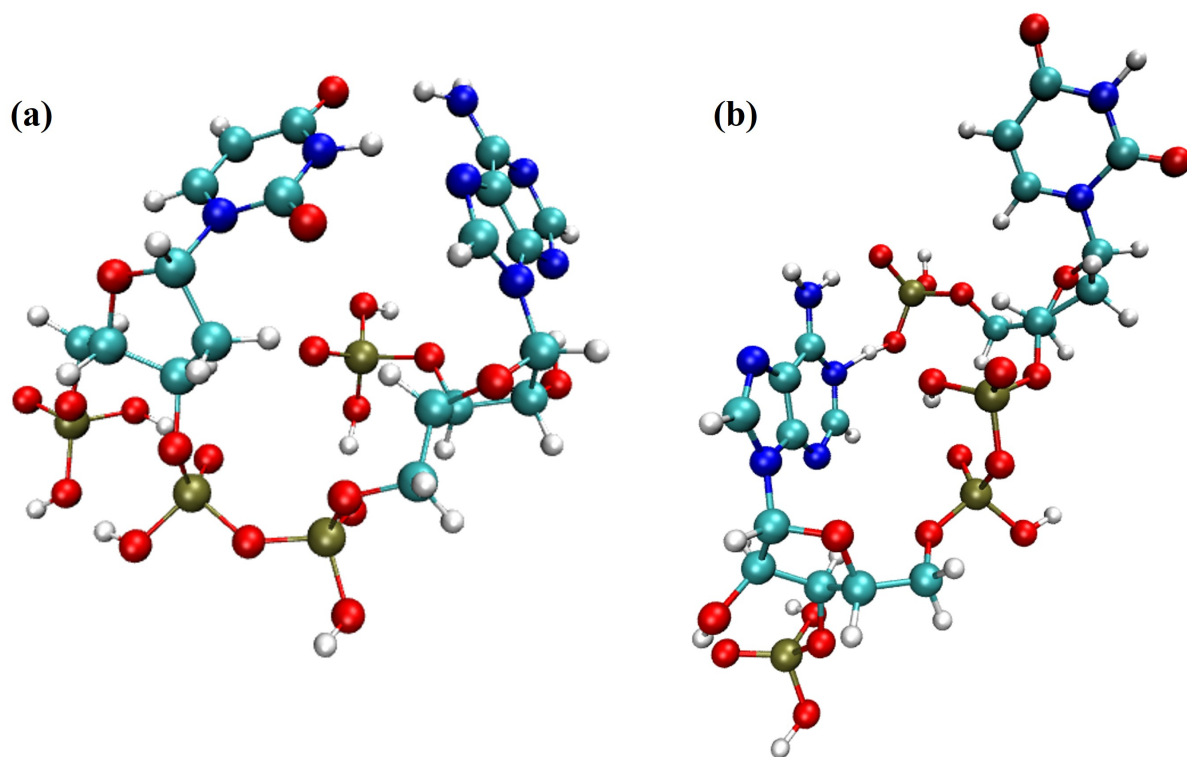


Figure S2: Optimized geometries of (a) *closed* and (b) *open* PUA are presented using the B3LYP/6-31G++(d,p) level.

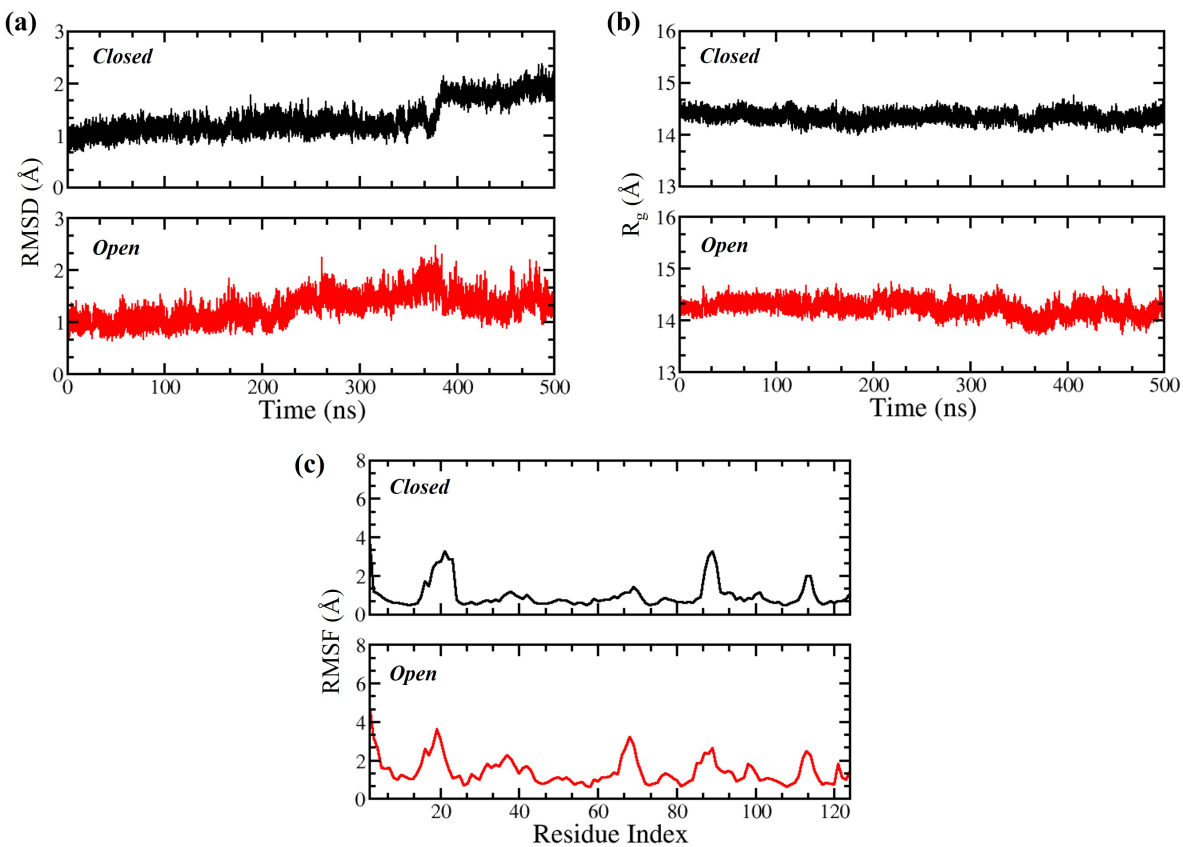


Figure S3: (a) Root mean square deviation (RMSD), radius of gyration (R_g) and root mean square fluctuations (RMSF) of backbone atoms (N, C_α , C) calculated for the 500 ns MD trajectories for both *closed* and *open* inhibitor-bound RNases.

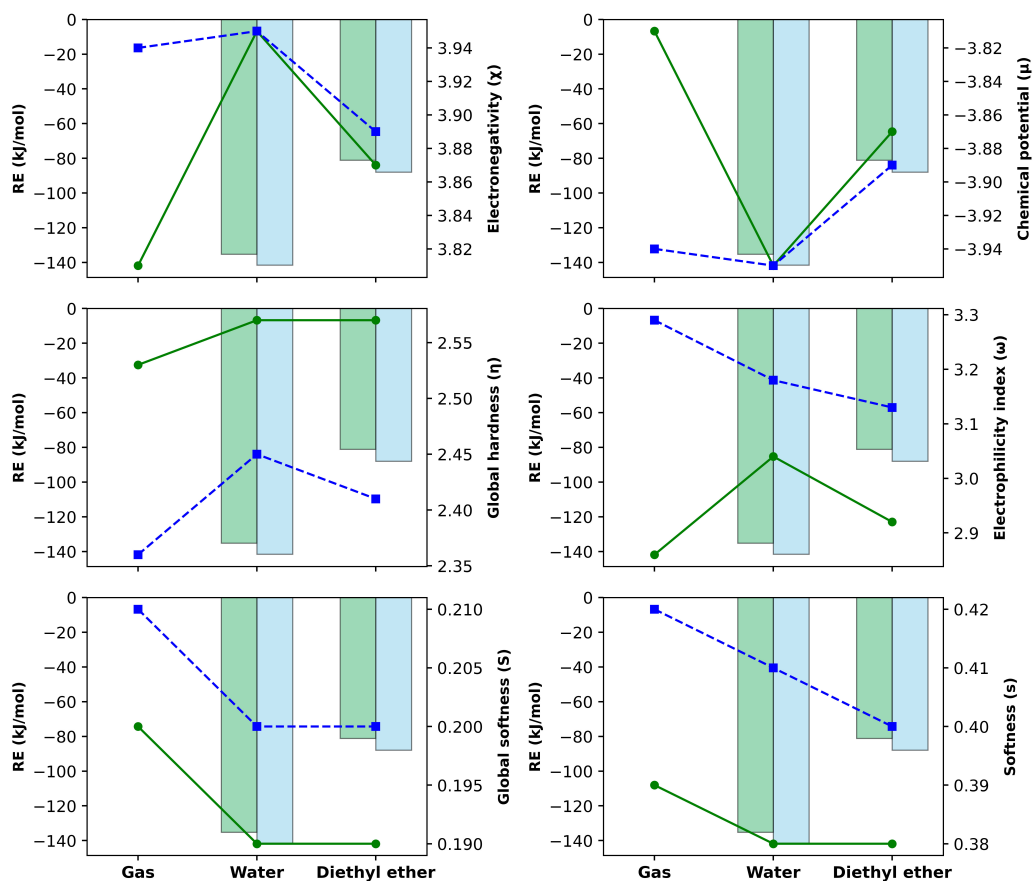


Figure S4: Comparison between the changes in the relative energy (kJ/mol) of the inhibitor and electronic descriptors including (a) electronegativity (χ), (b) chemical potential (μ), (c) global hardness (η), (d) electrophilicity index (ω), (e) global softness (S) and (f) softness (s) (in eV) values in the gas and solvent phase considered, respectively, for the *closed* (shown in green) and *open* conformer (shown in blue).

Initial coordinates (x, y, z) of the *closed* conformation

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Initial coordinates (x, y, z) of the *open* conformation

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