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**Microstructure-related performances of poly(vinyl alcohol)-silica hybrid membranes: A molecular dynamics simulation study**

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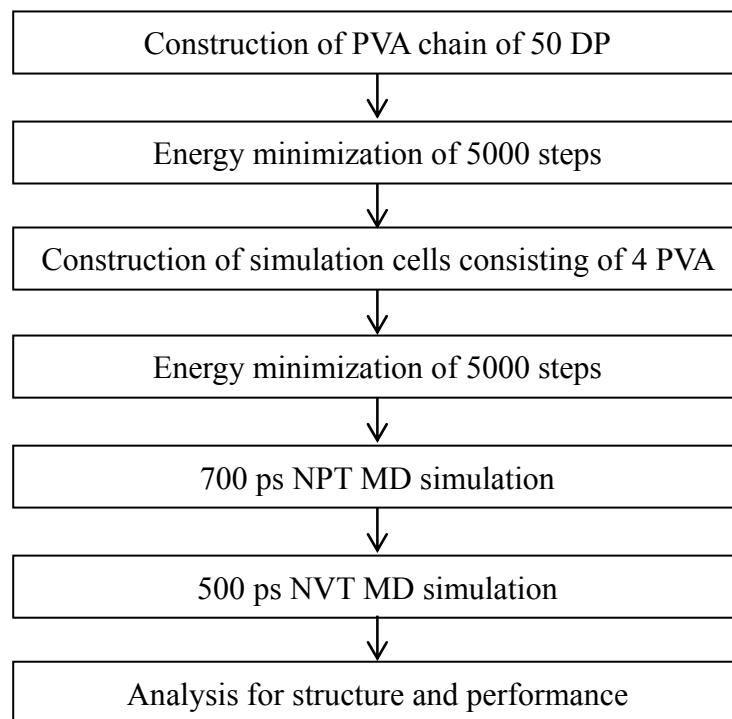
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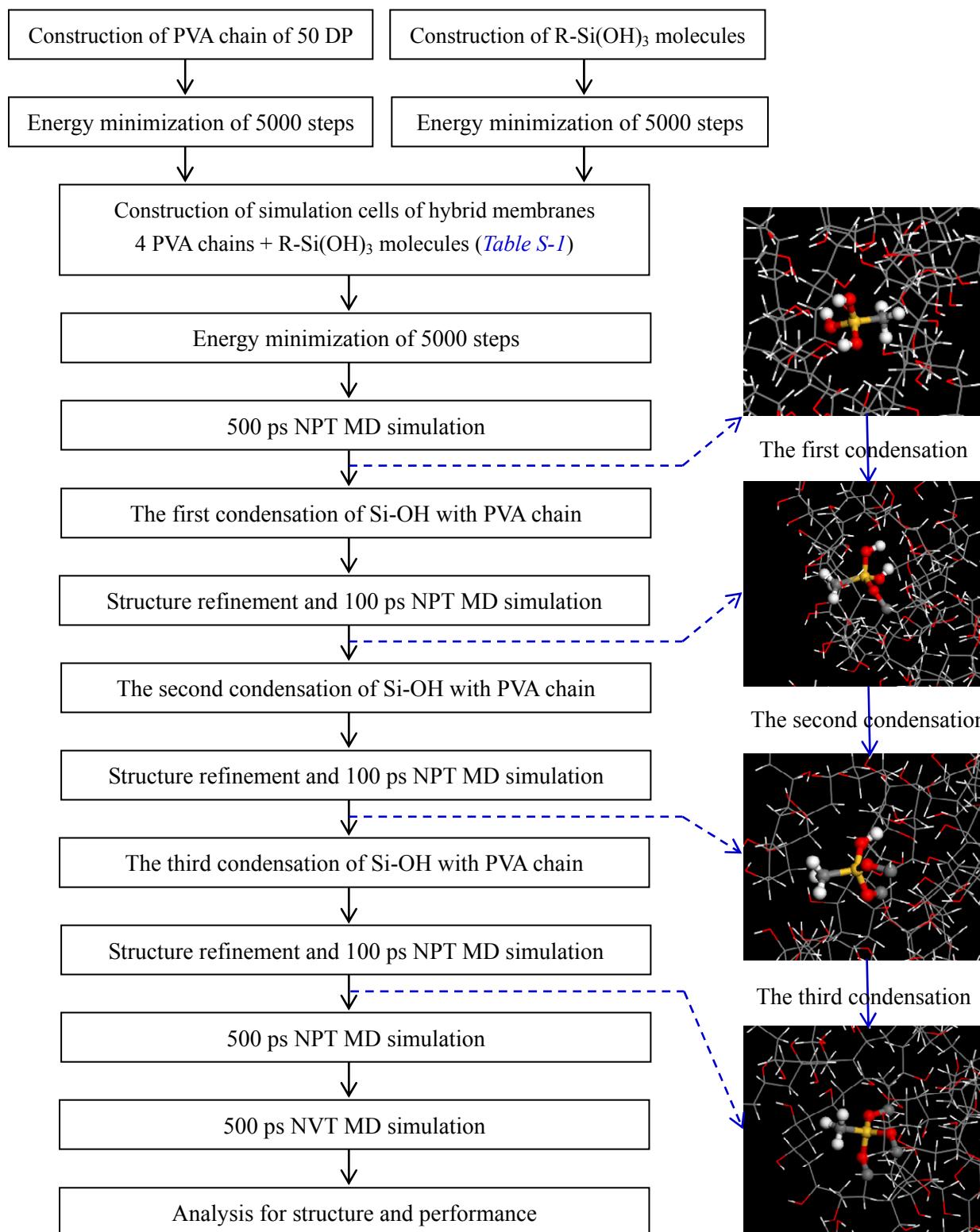
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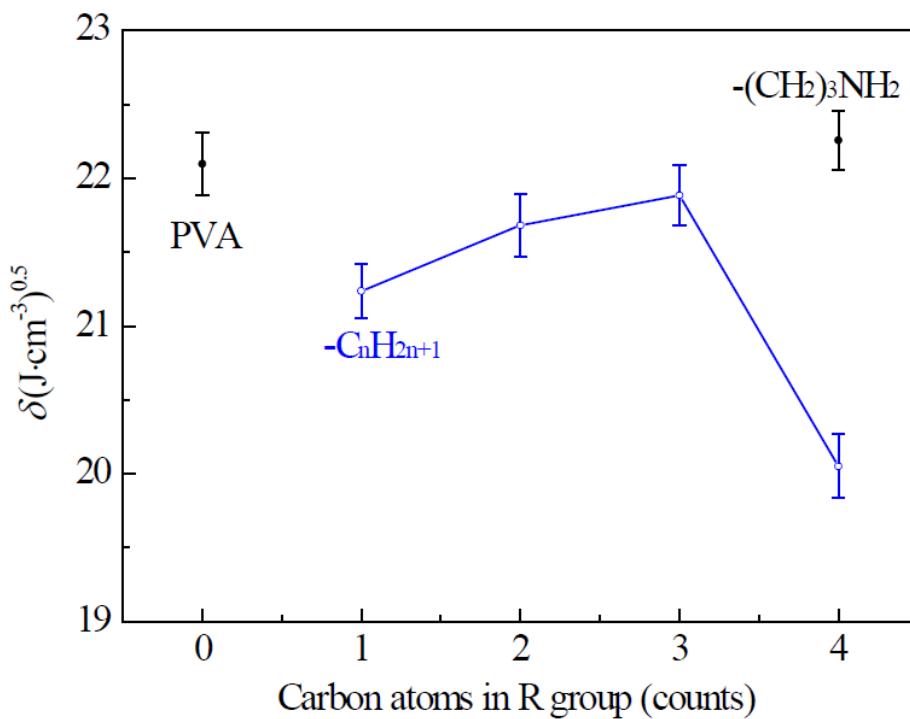
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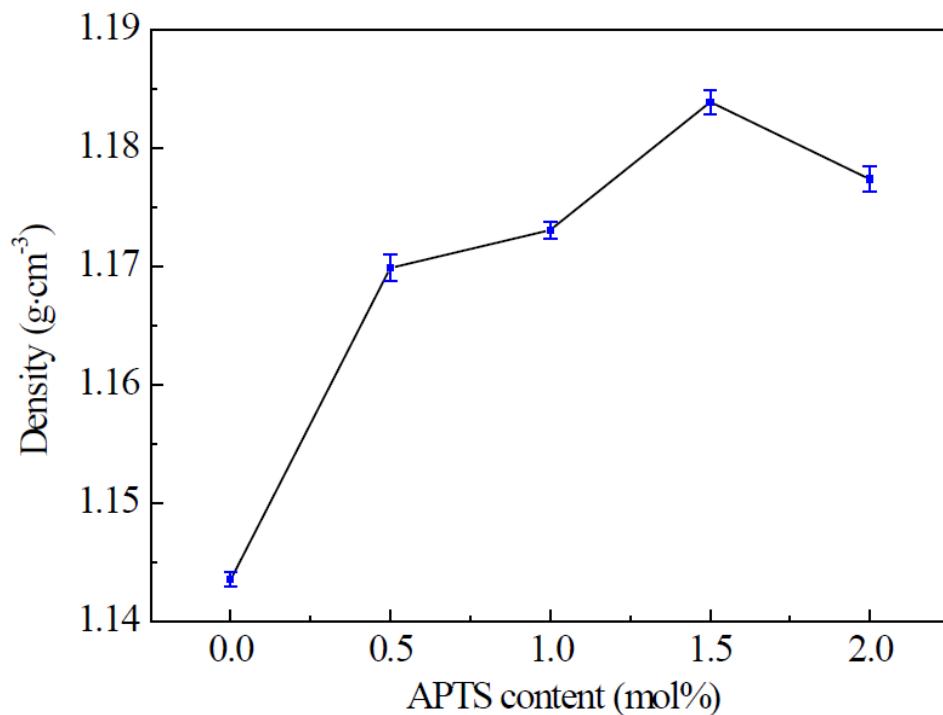
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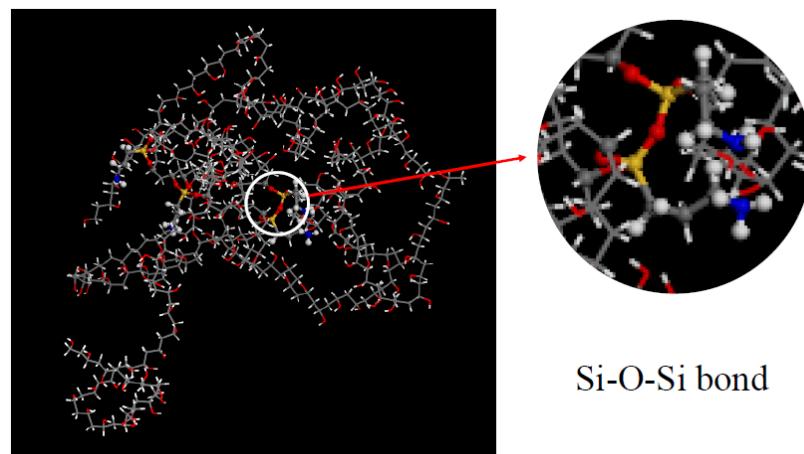
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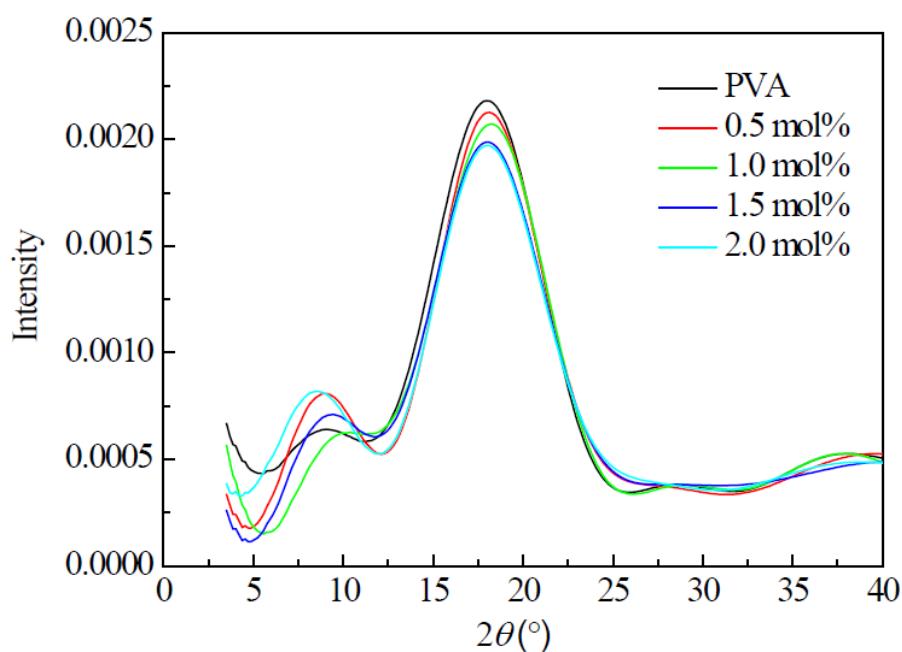


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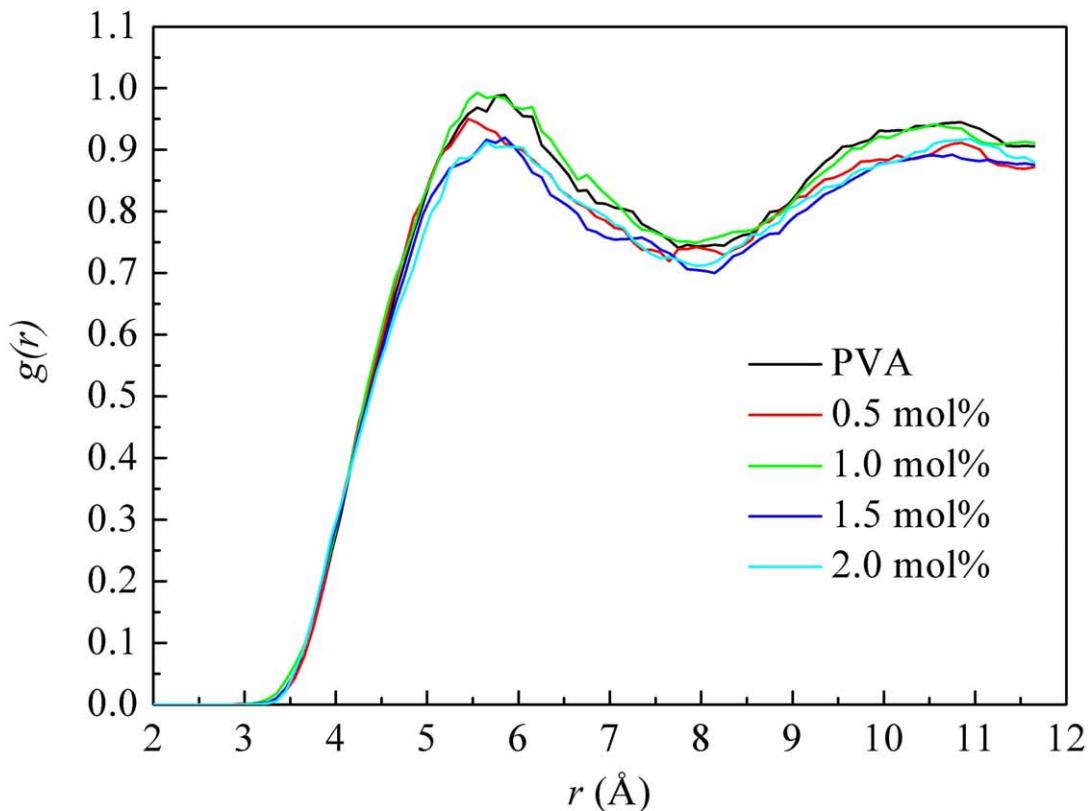


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