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COMPUTATIONAL INSIGHT INTO HYBRID ORGANIC-METAL INTERFACES WITH BIOSENSING PROPERTIES

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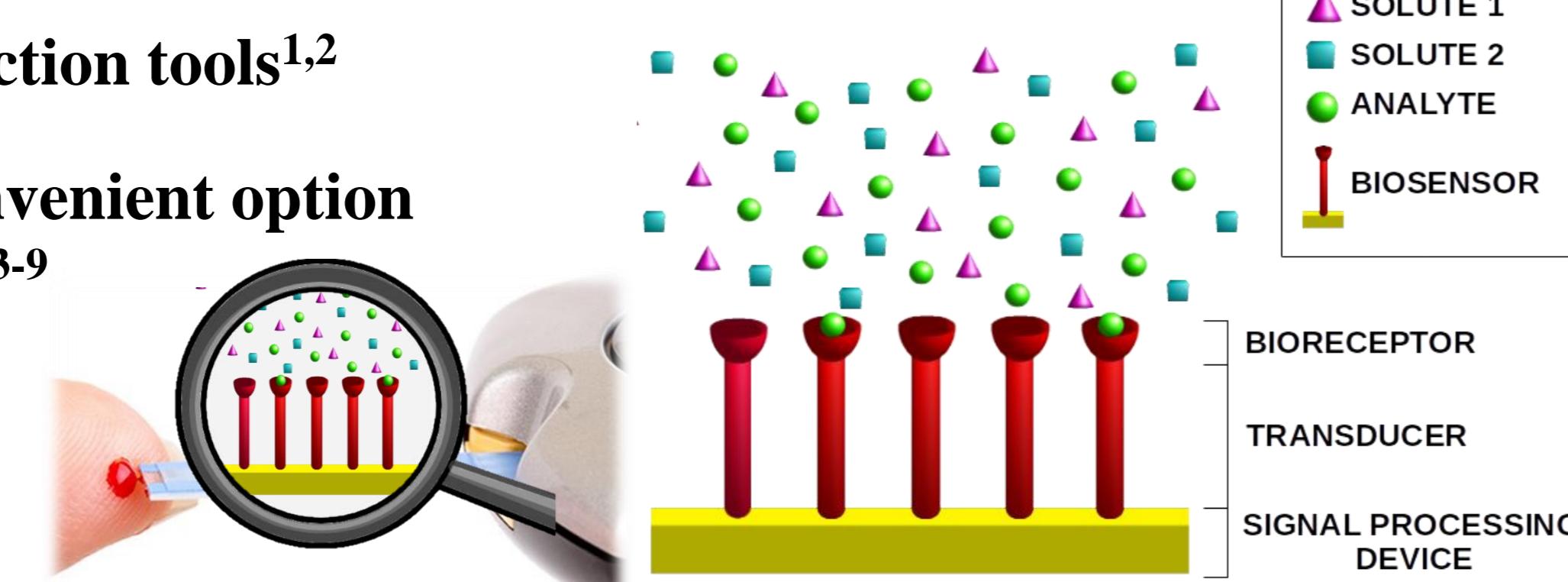
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MOTIVATION

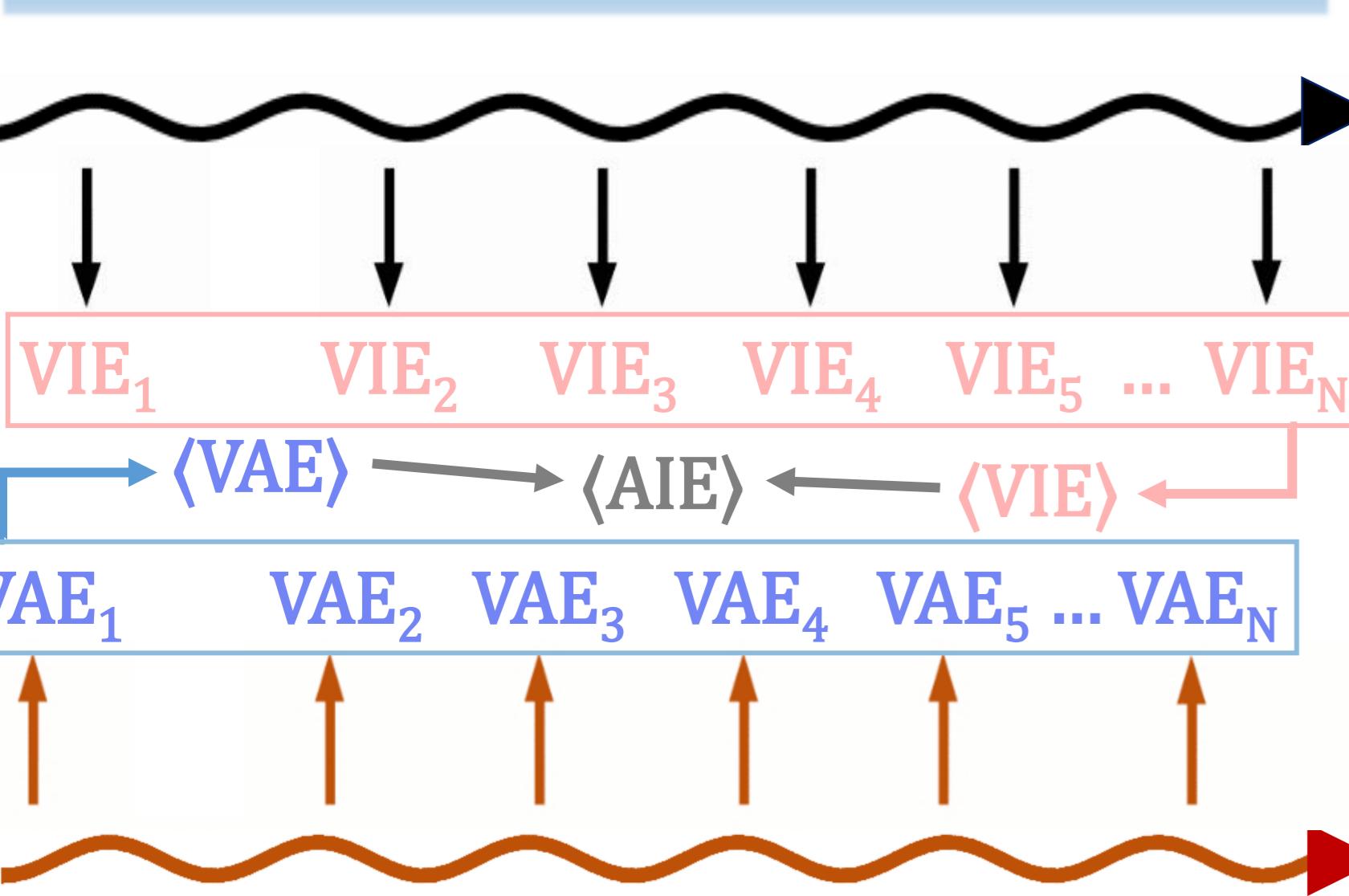
- Biosensors are powerful detection tools^{1,2}
- DNA-based biosensors as convenient option for electrochemical detection³⁻⁹
- Redox properties near the interface are unknown



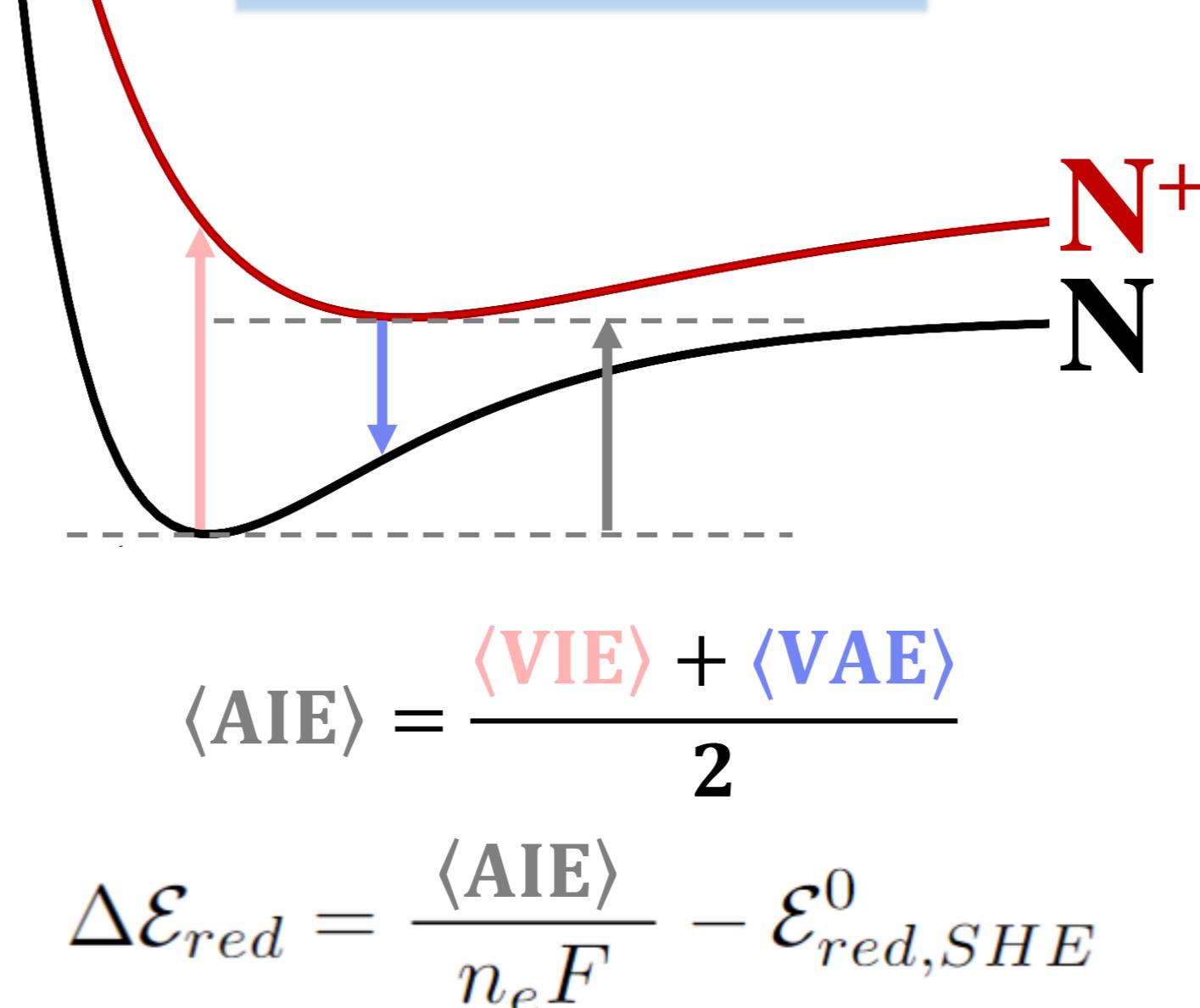
MD WITHIN MARCUS THEORY



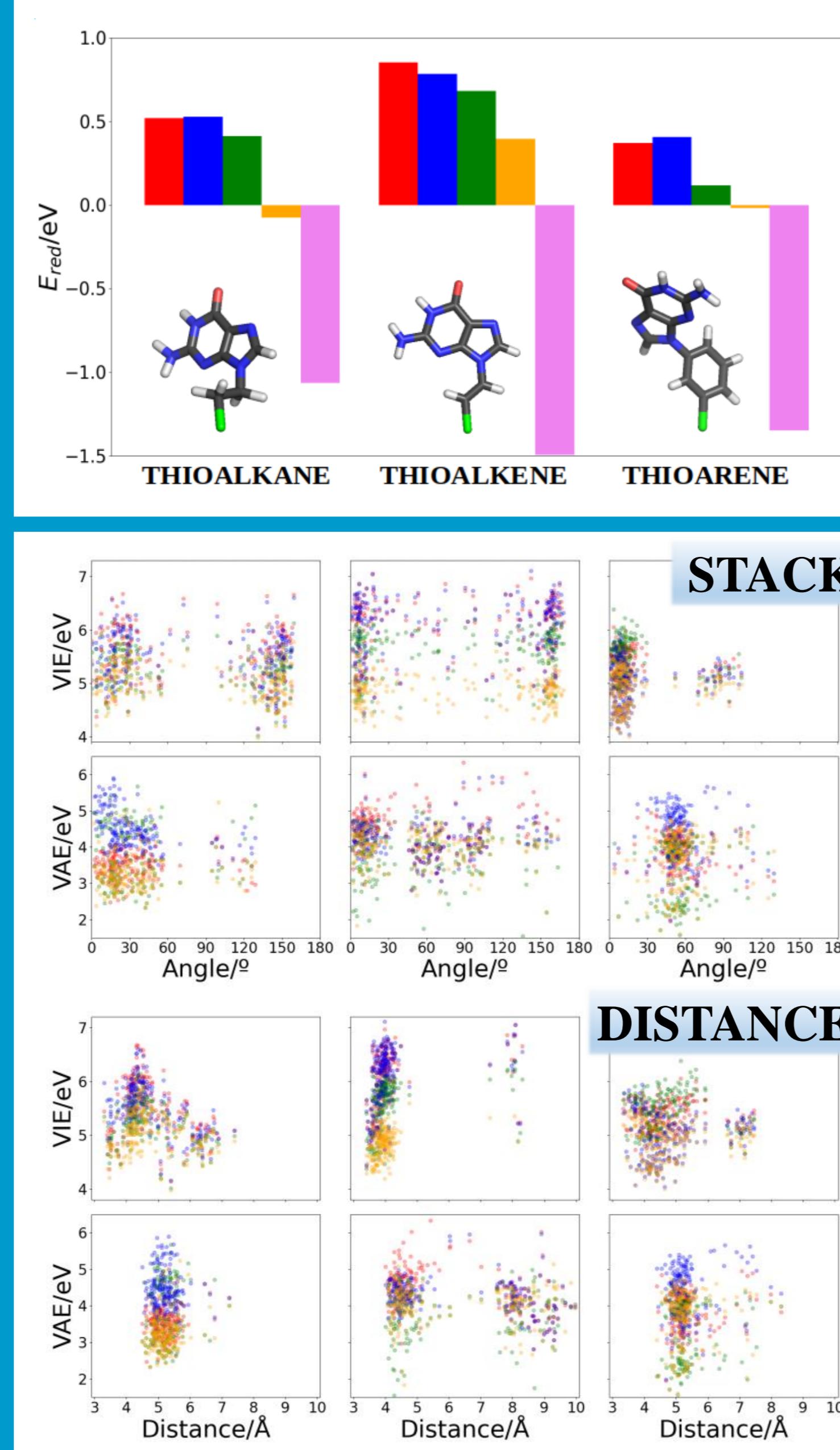
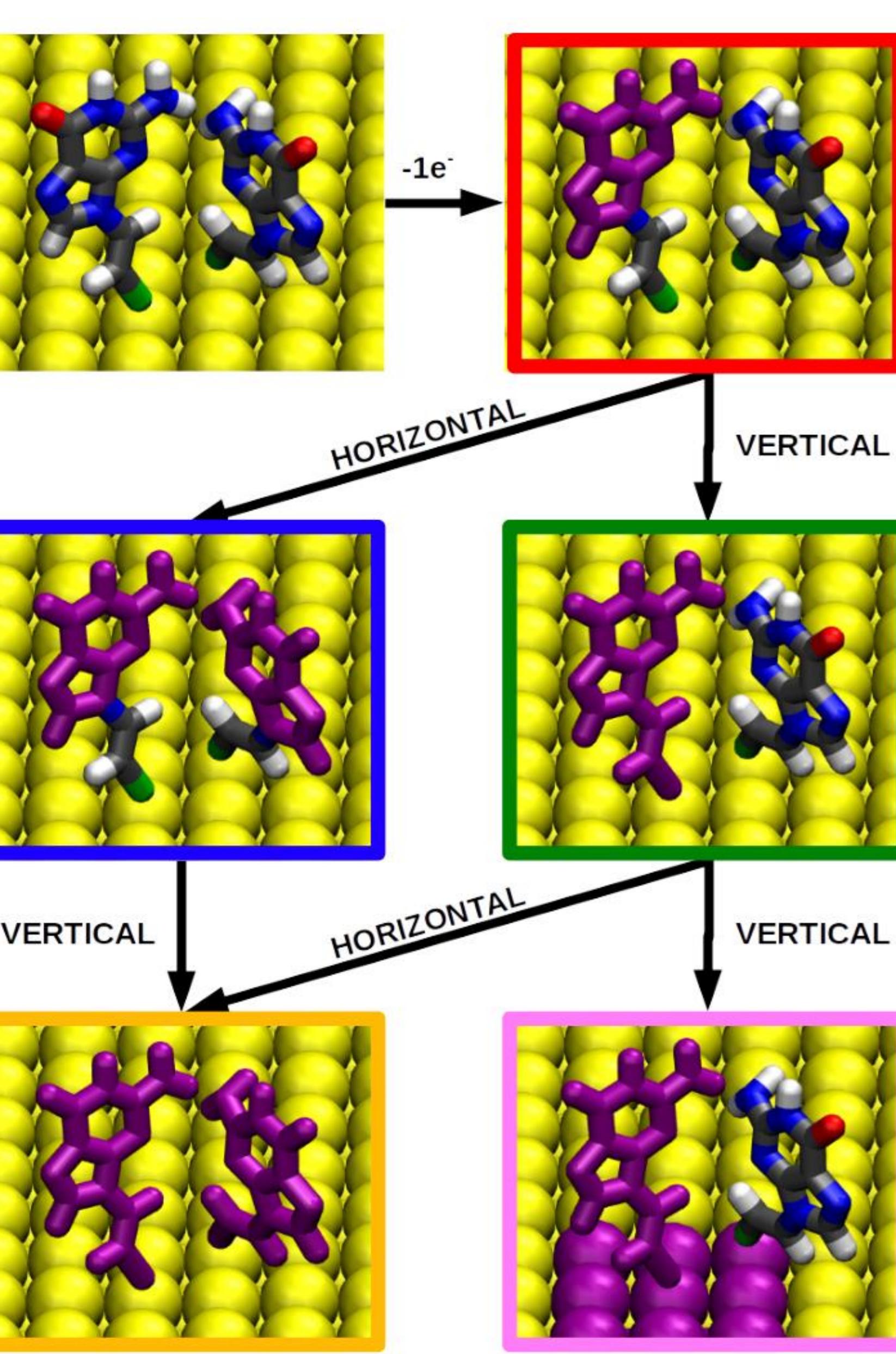
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MARCUS THEORY



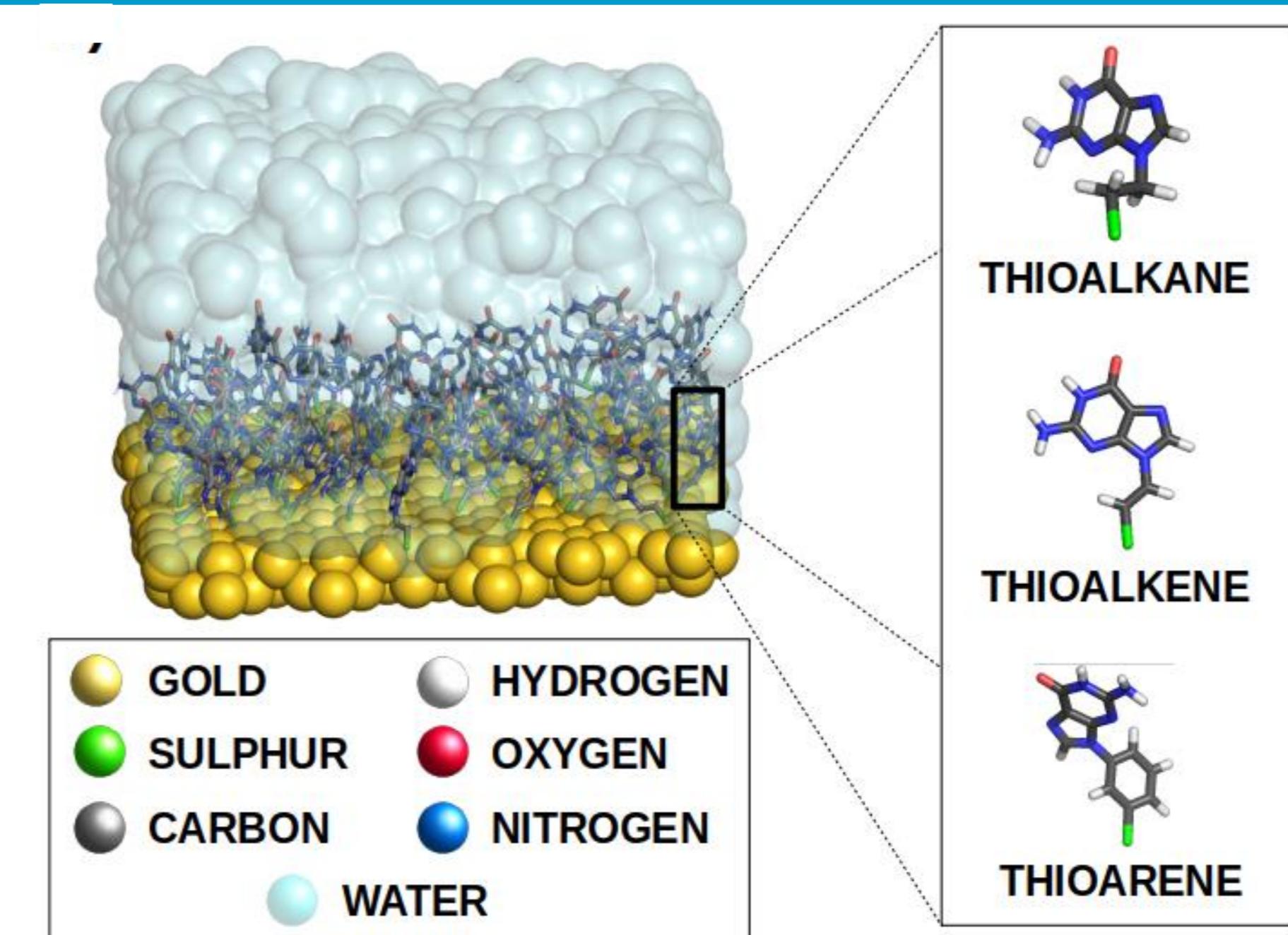
MOST PROBABLE PATHWAY



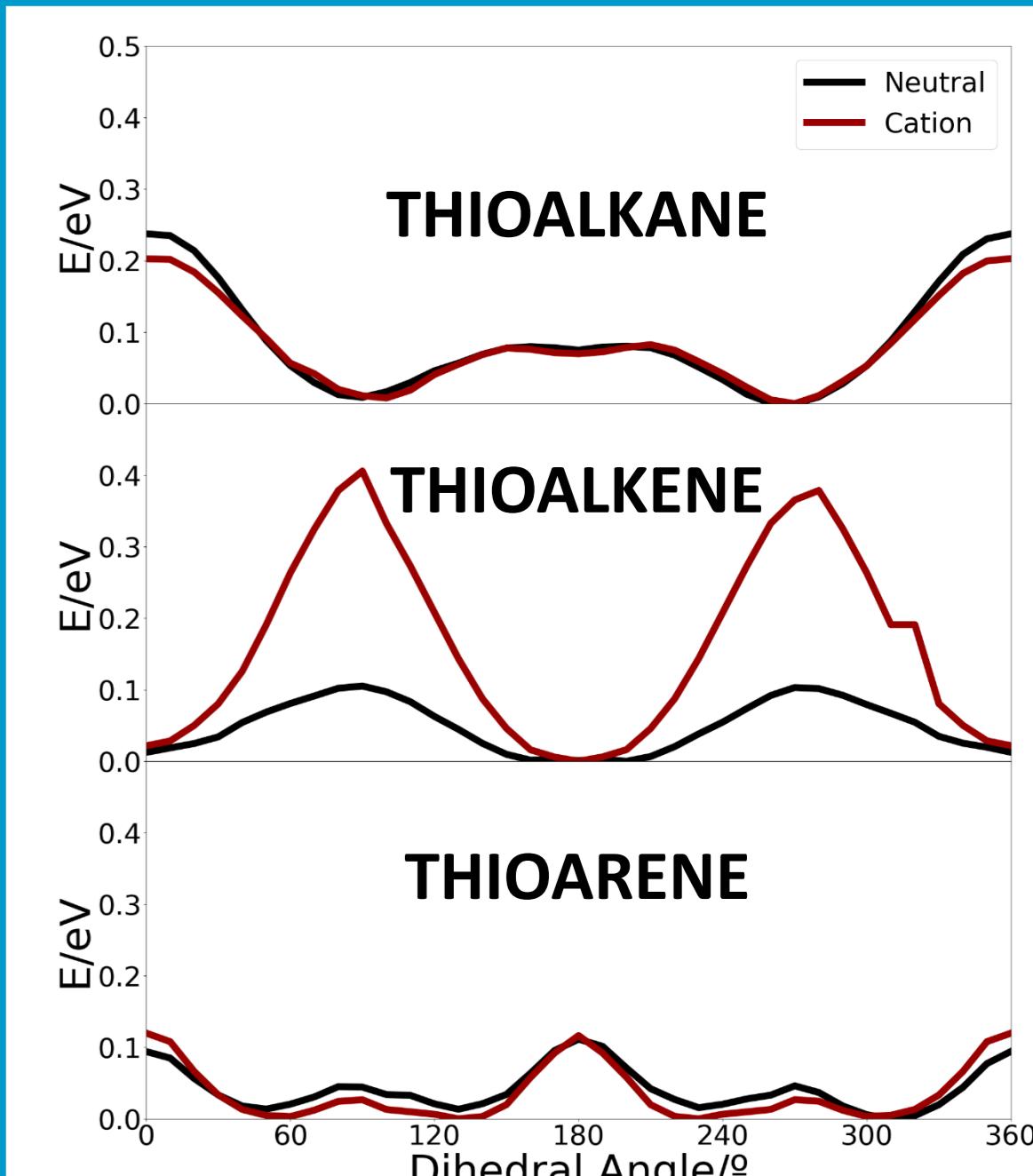
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SYSTEM

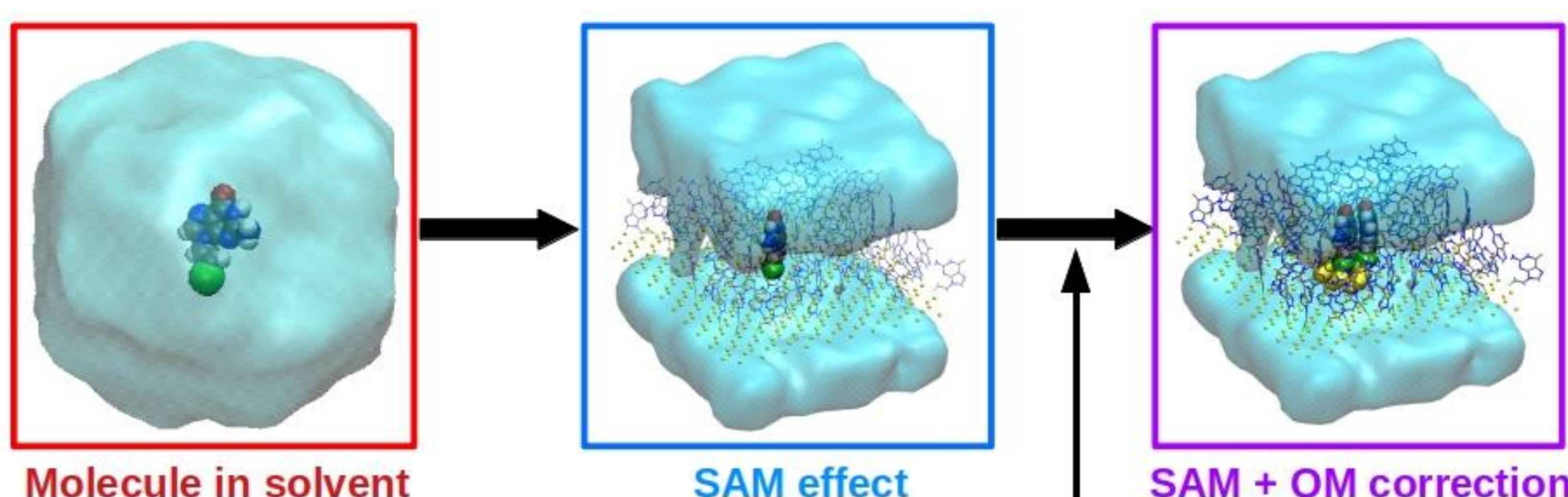


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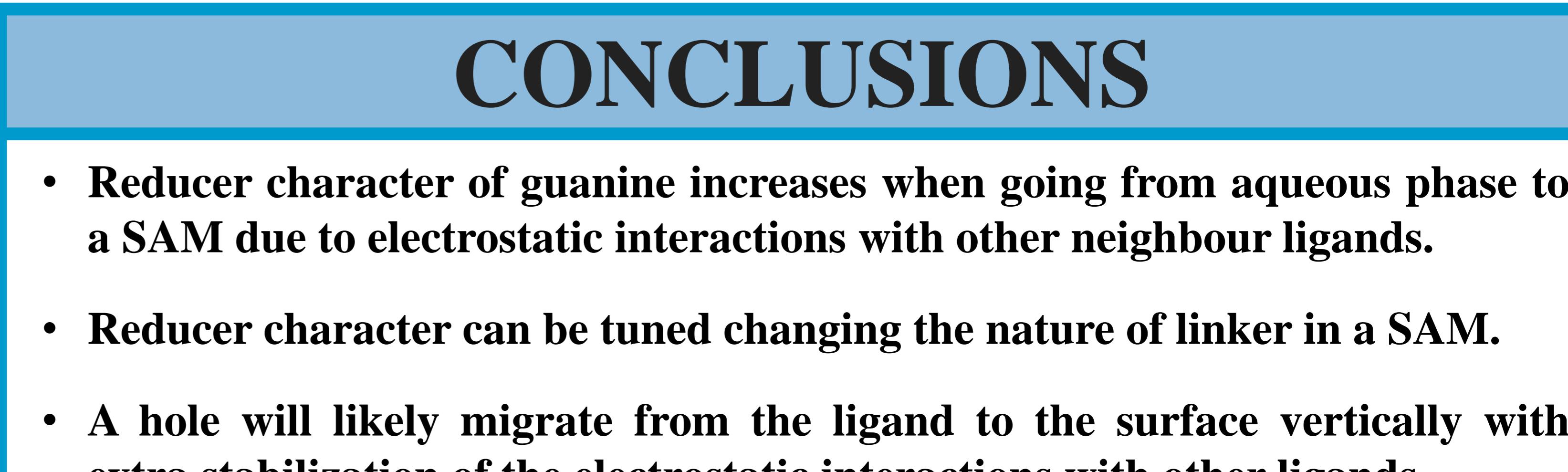
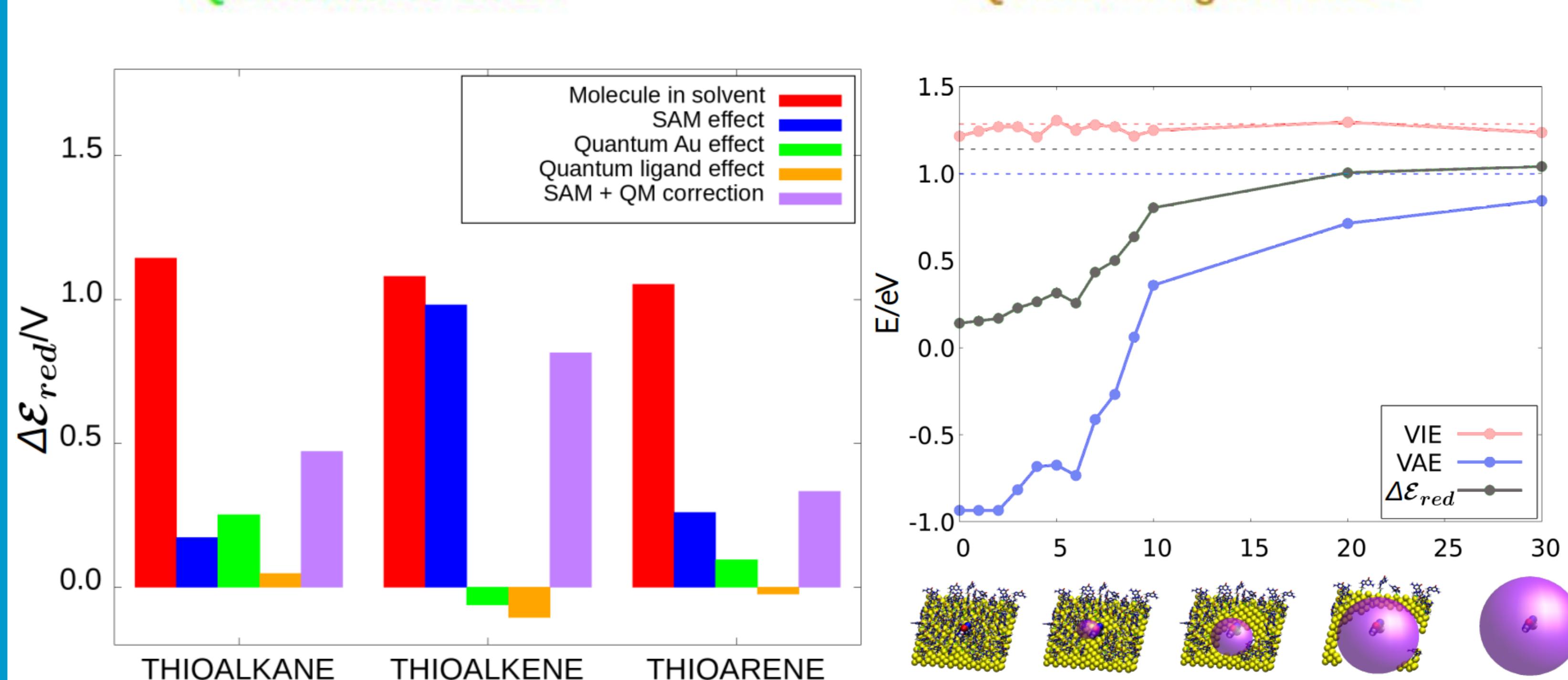


ADDITIVE SCHEME

$$\Delta\mathcal{E}_{red,2L-4Au} = \Delta\mathcal{E}_{red,1L} + (\Delta\mathcal{E}_{red,1L-4Au} - \Delta\mathcal{E}_{red,1L}) + (\Delta\mathcal{E}_{red,2L} - \Delta\mathcal{E}_{red,1L})$$



Quantum Au effect



CONCLUSIONS

- Reducer character of guanine increases when going from aqueous phase to a SAM due to electrostatic interactions with other neighbour ligands.
- Reducer character can be tuned changing the nature of linker in a SAM.
- A hole will likely migrate from the ligand to the surface vertically with extra stabilization of the electrostatic interactions with other ligands.