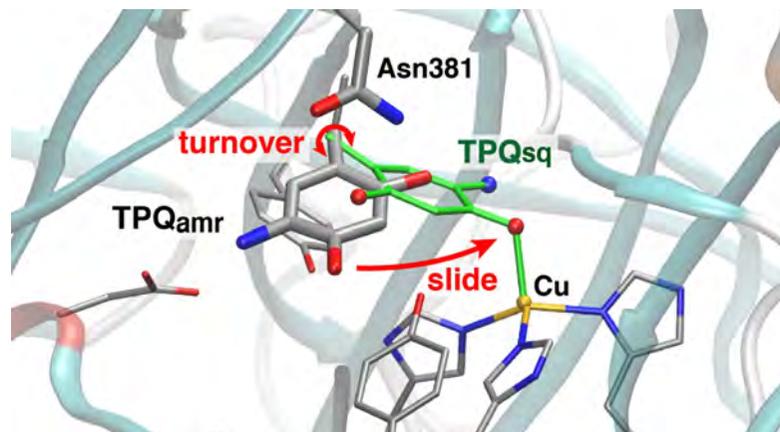


Unique reaction mechanism of copper amine oxidase revealed by theoretical QM/MM and experimental approaches



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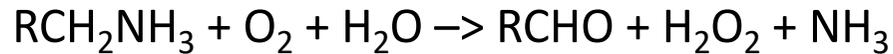
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Computational resources

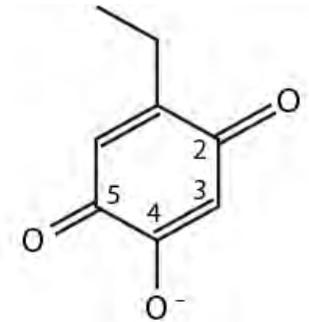
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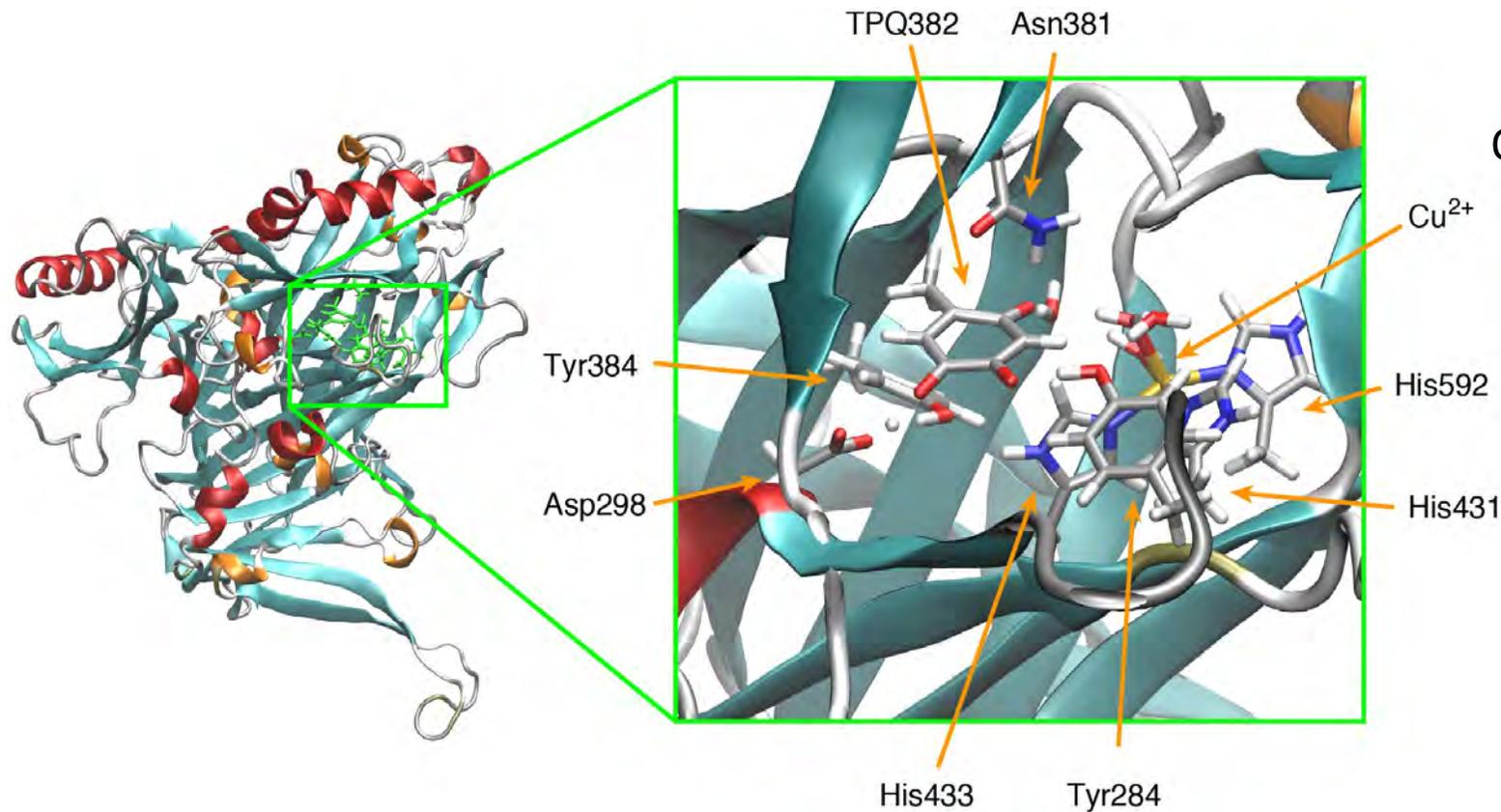
- CAOs catalyze the oxidative deamination of primary amines into their aldehydes.



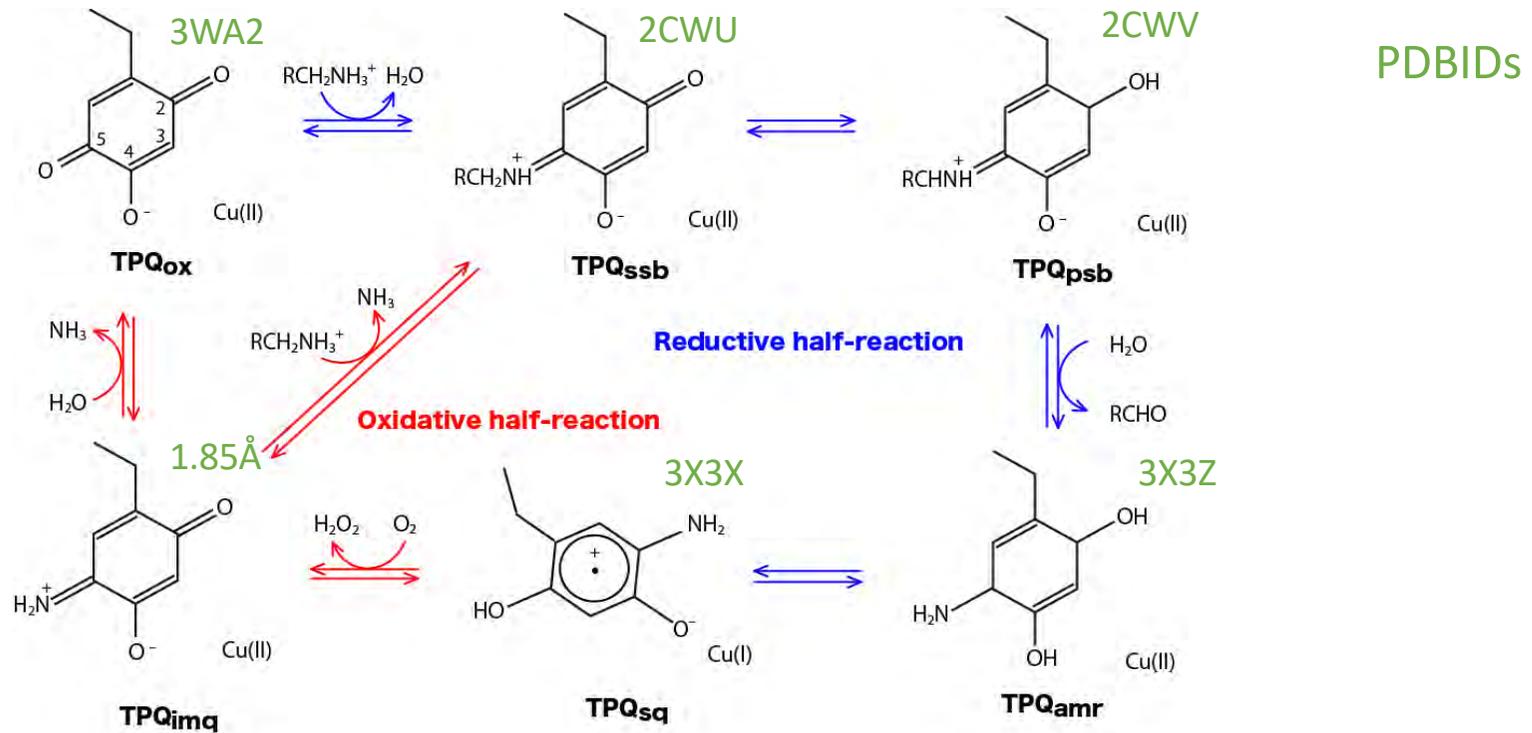
- CAOs exert fundamental functions in aerobic organisms from bacteria to ye mammals.
- CAOs contain Cu ion and topaquinone (TPQ) cofactor



Oxidative form of TPQ
(TPQ_{ox})



- Catalytic cycle of CAO is composed of **reductive half-reaction** and **oxidative half-reaction**

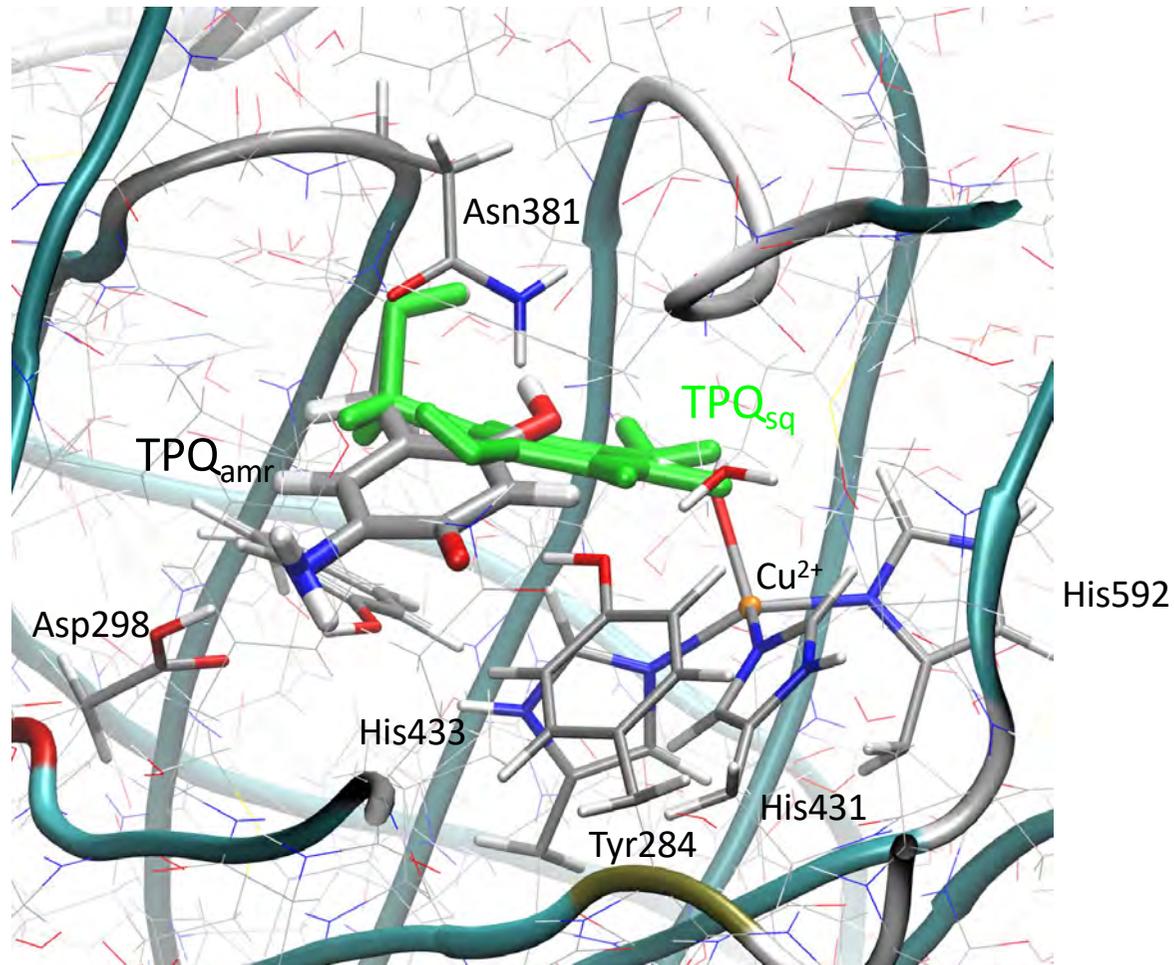


Features

- X-ray structures of all the intermediate states are determined.
- Positions of proton in TPQ_{ox} were determined.
- Spectroscopy can trace the intermediate states.
- Isotope effect of proton transfer (H/D) is observed. (Target for quantum biology)
- Large conformational change during the TPQ_{amr} → TPQ_{sq} transition (Target for SFX study)

Large conformational change of TPQ

Off-Cu(TPQ_{amr}) → On-Cu (TPQ_{sq})



TPQ_{amr}: 3X3Z

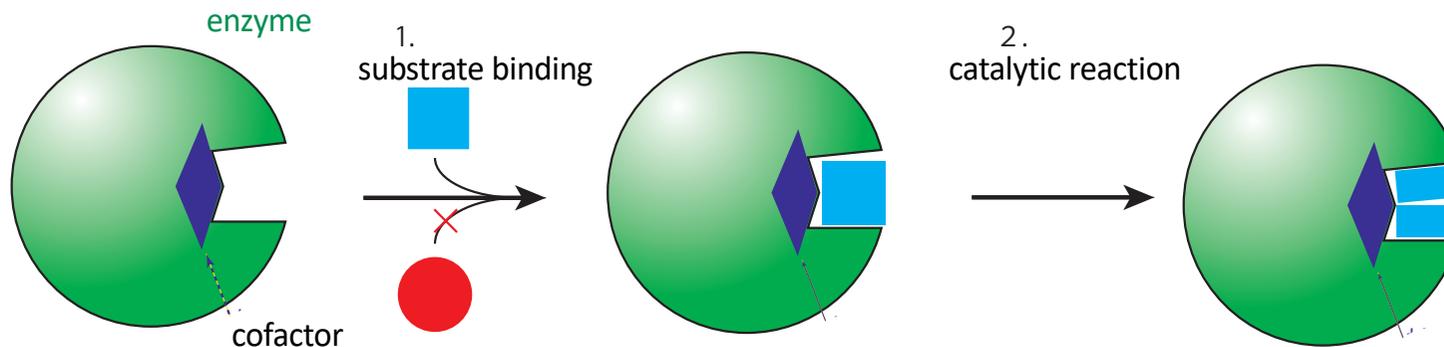
TPQ_{sq}: 3X3X

- Asn381 is a conserved residue
- Reaction mechanism is unsolved (impossible ?)

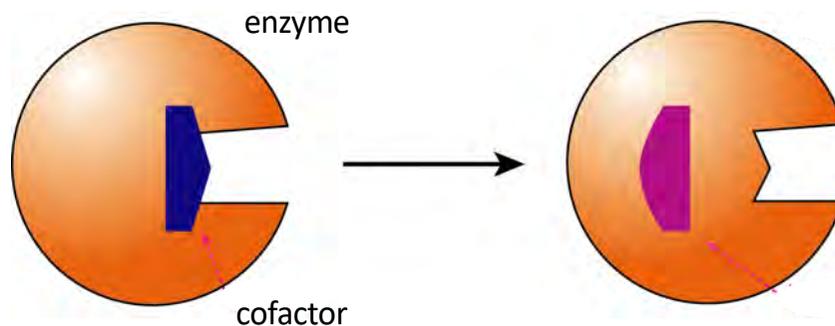
Quite different from a classical picture of enzyme reaction

Structural changes are quite small → substrate specificity : classical enzyme

- Key and keyhole model: E.Fischer(1890) substrate-binding site is rigid
- Induced fit model: Koshland(1995) substrate-binding site is more flexible (active site is rigid)



CAO



- Really happen ?
- Why and is meaningful ?

Purpose of this study

- Elucidate the most difficult reaction step in $\text{TPQ}_{\text{amr}} \rightarrow \text{TPQ}_{\text{sq}}$
- Solve the role of Asn381

Theoretical approach :

Reaction mechanism of WT by using QM/MM*

Reaction mechanism of N381A mutant

Structural change of N381A mutant in TPQ_{ox}

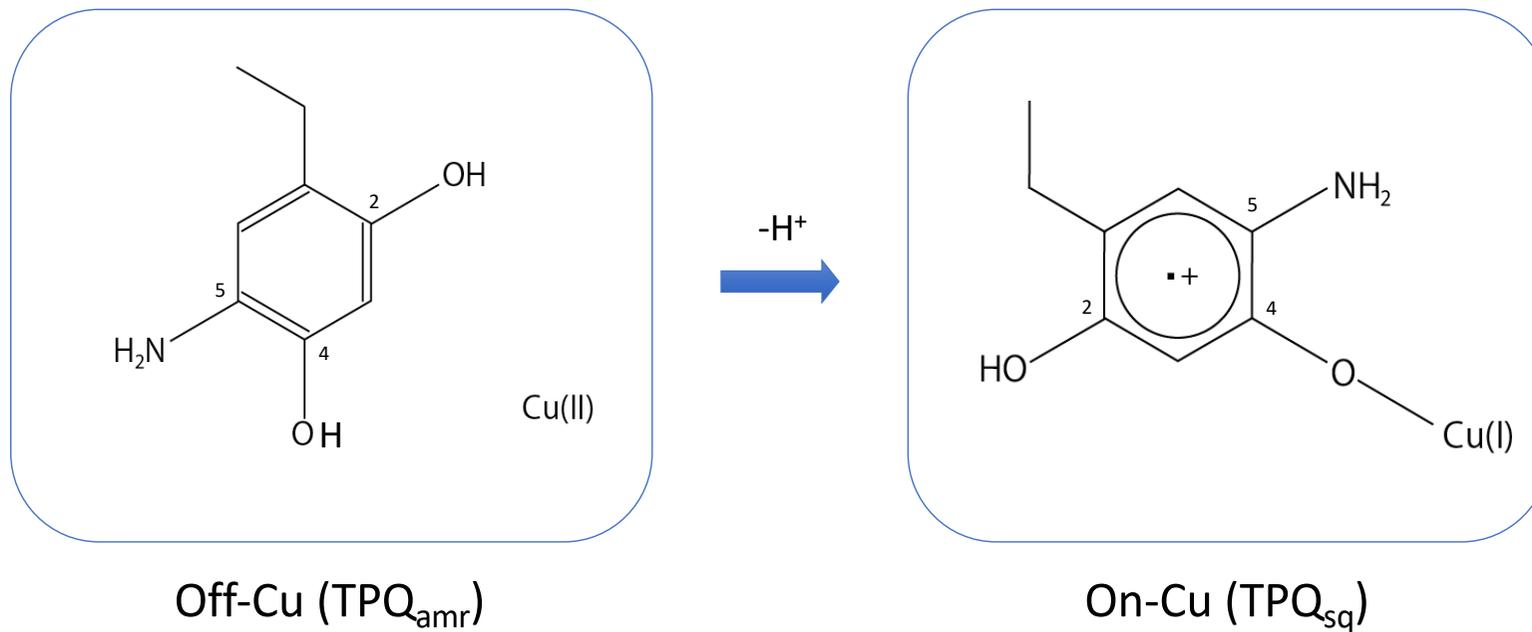
Experimental approach :

X-ray crystal structures of N381A and kinetic spectroscopy

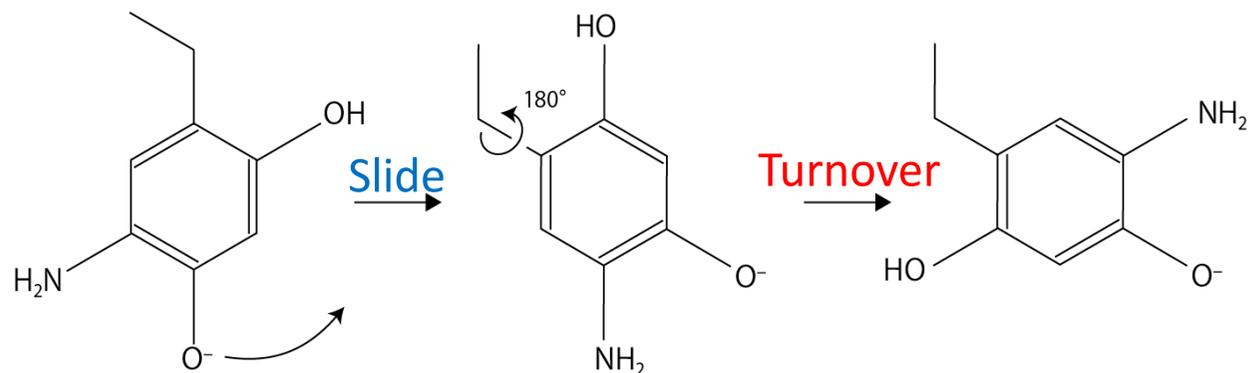
*QM/MM: hybrid quantum mechanics and molecular mechanics

(This study took 2-3 years to find appropriate reaction pathways, because it is a significantly difficult problem)

Off-Cu \rightarrow On-Cu transition

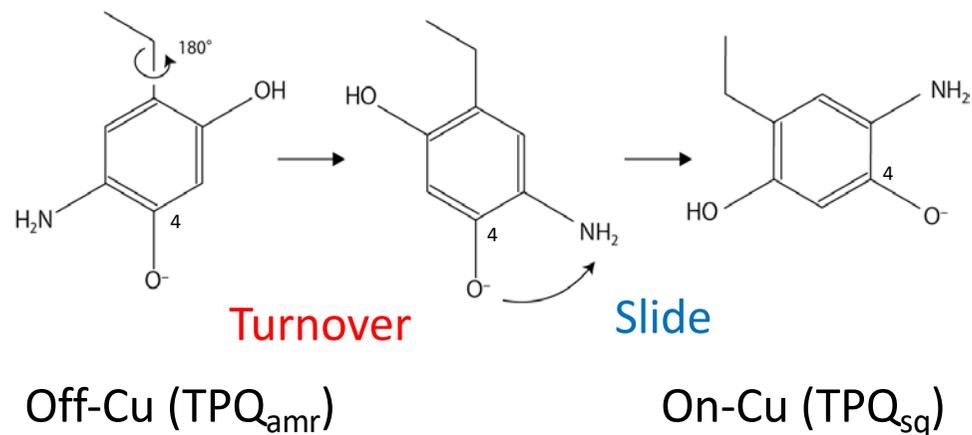


- steps of the TPQ movement

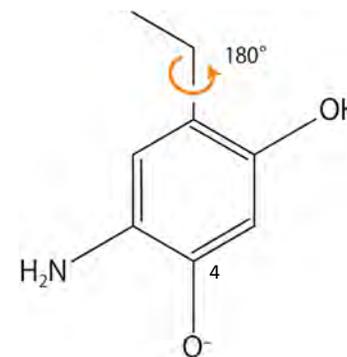


2 x 2 = 4 candidate pathways

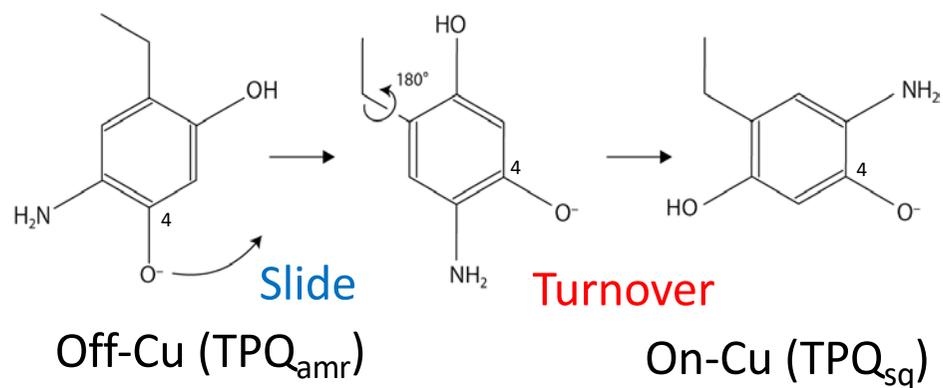
1. Turnover + Slide



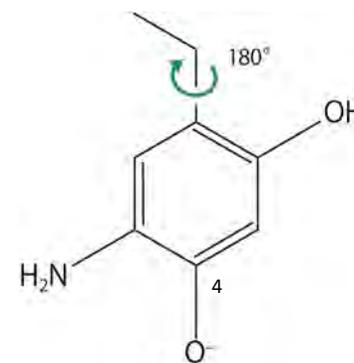
A. clockwise-turnover



2. Slide + Turnover



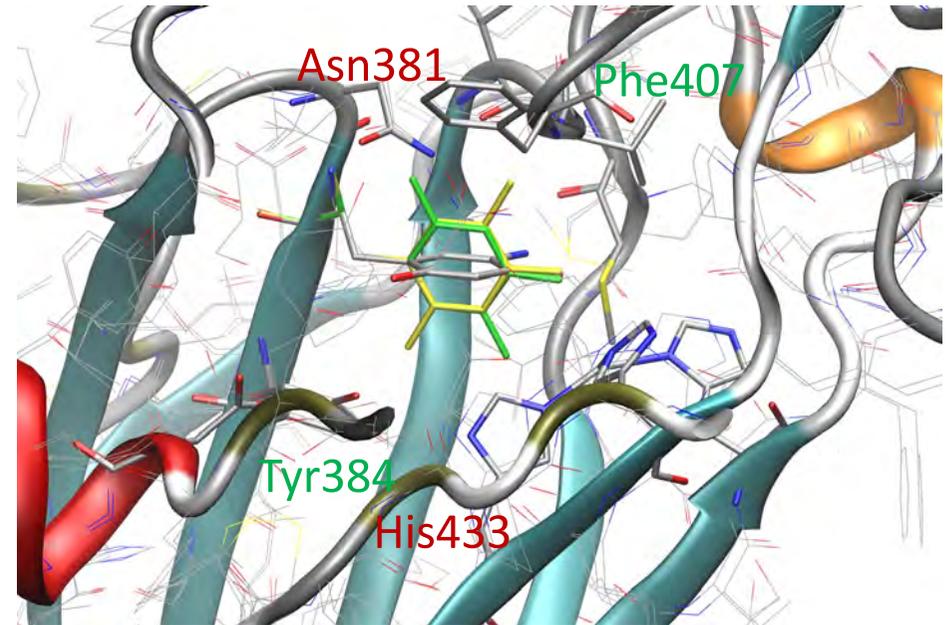
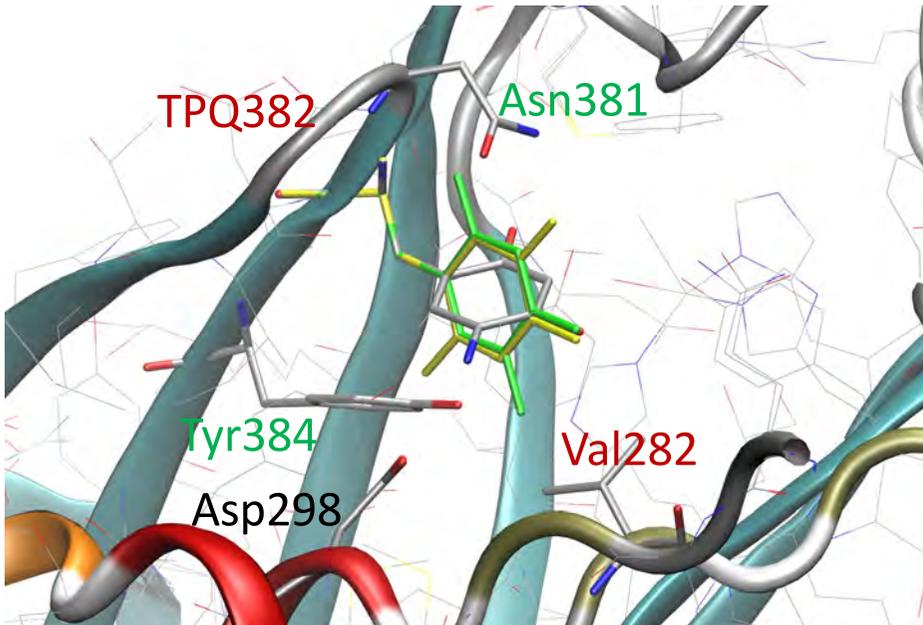
B. counterclockwise-turnover



Rotation of TPQ is quit difficult for steric repulsion from surrounding residues

1. Turnover + Slide

2. Slide + Turnover



➤ 1A. clockwise turnover: †Asn381, Tyr384

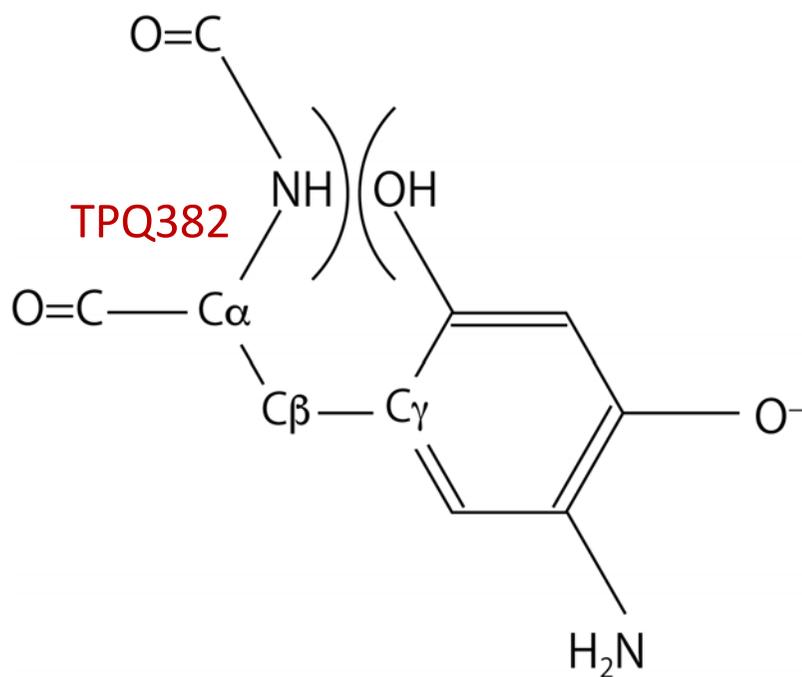
➤ 1B. counterclockwise turnover: † main chain of TPQ382, Val282

➤ 2A. clockwise turnover: † main chain of Phe407, Tyr384

➤ 2B. counterclockwise turnover: †Asn381, His433

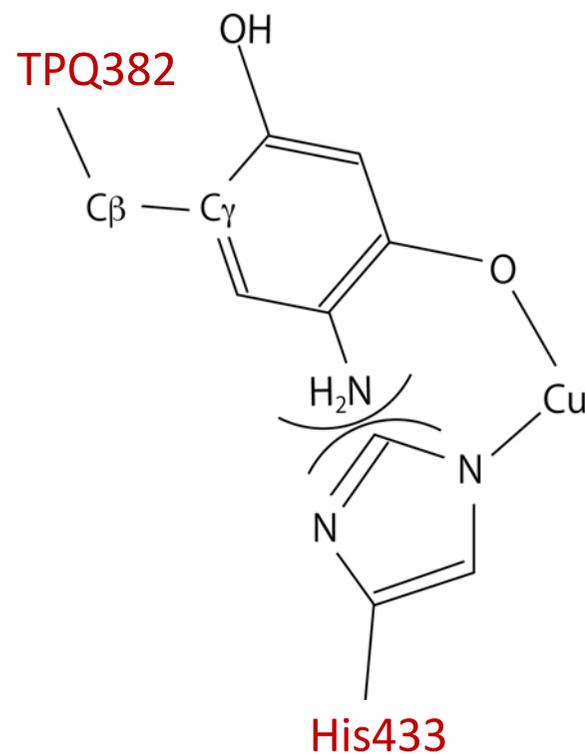
Inevitable reaction step: counterclockwise turnover of TPQ (1B,2B)

1B. Counterclockwise rotation @ Off-Cu



└ main chain of TPQ382

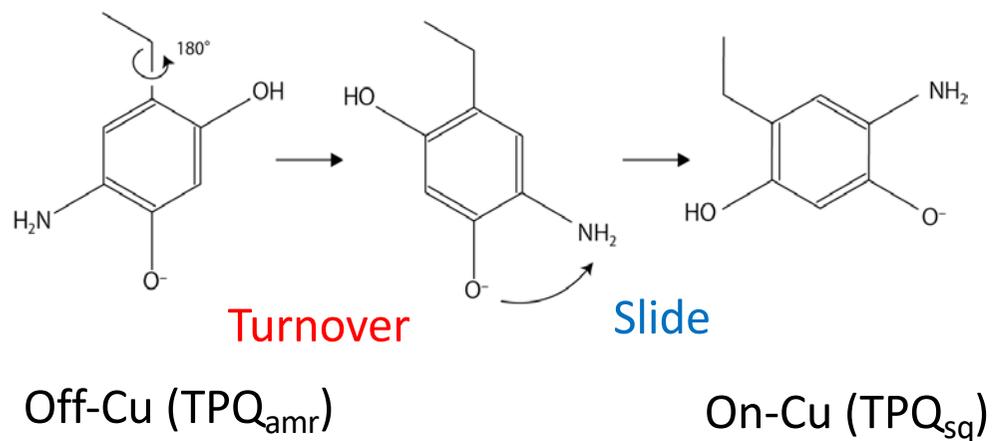
2B. Counterclockwise rotation @ On-Cu



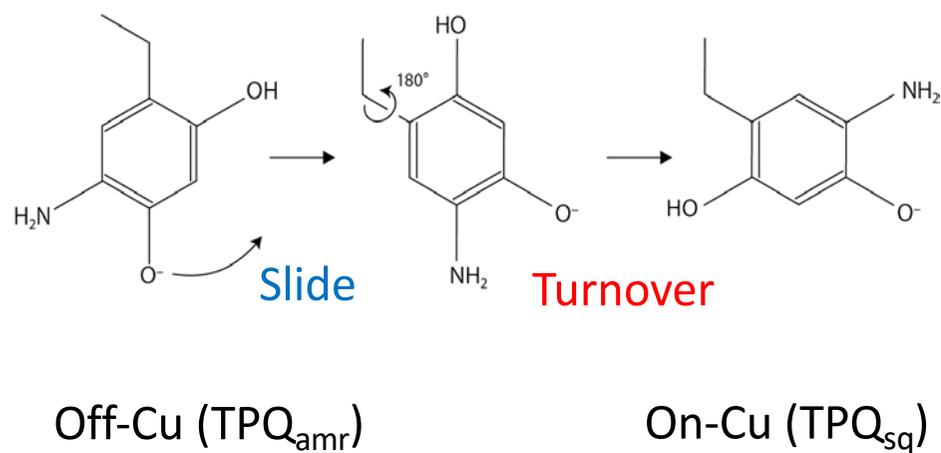
└ His433

Two candidate pathways: clockwise-turnover of TPQ (1A, 2A)

1A. Turnover (clockwise) + Slide



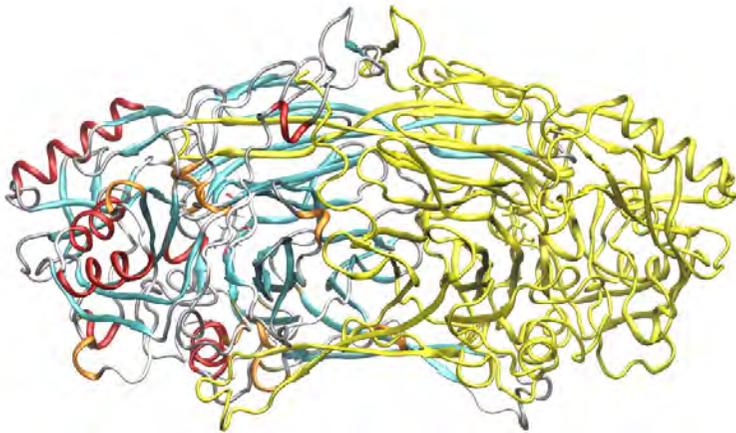
2A. Slide + Turnover (clockwise)



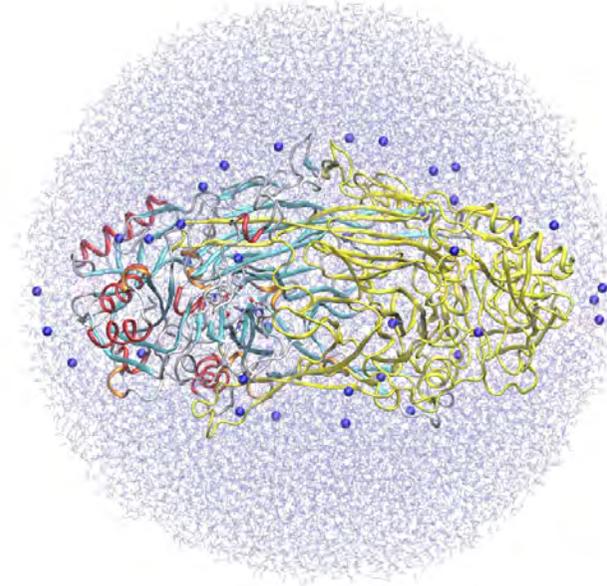
Computational details

Initial settings

- Crystal structure; PDBID: 3X3Z (copper amine oxidase from *Arthrobacter globiformis* (AGAO) in the TPQ_{amr} state)
- Homodimer model
- Protonation state is referred to the neutron structure (PDBID: 6L9C)
- Added 36 Na⁺ to charge neutral
- A spherical water droplet of 60 Å radius
- Proton positions are relaxed by 10ps MD (amber99fprce field, 0->250K, 250K->0K).
- Heavy atoms are fixed to the X-ray structure



3X3Z

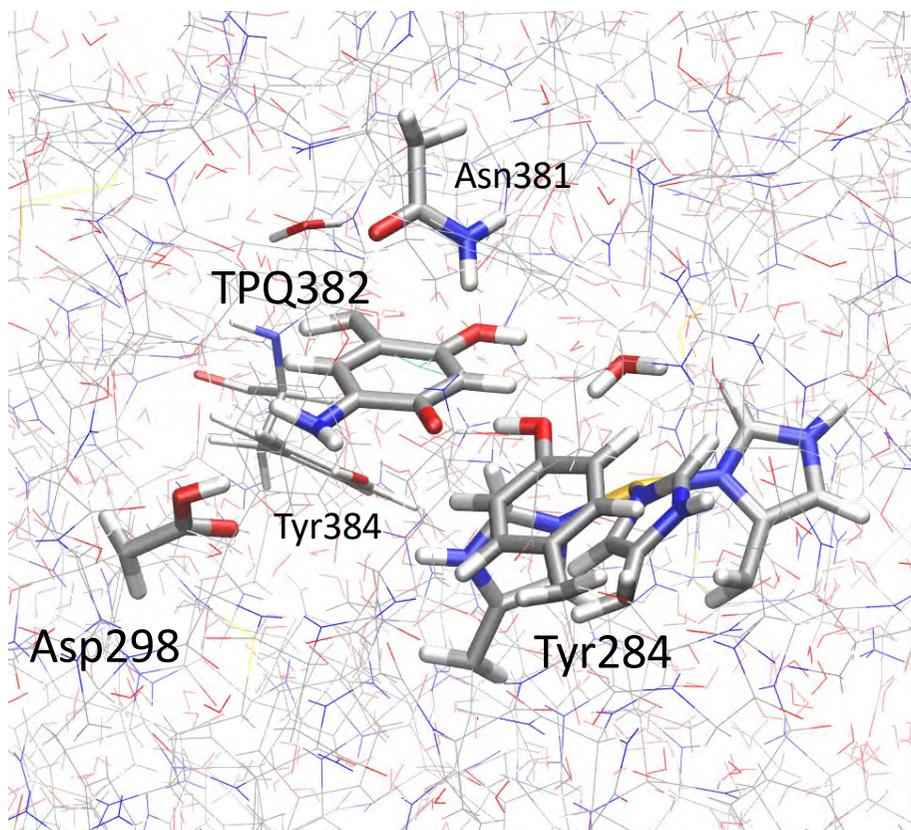


+ 22,000 Waters

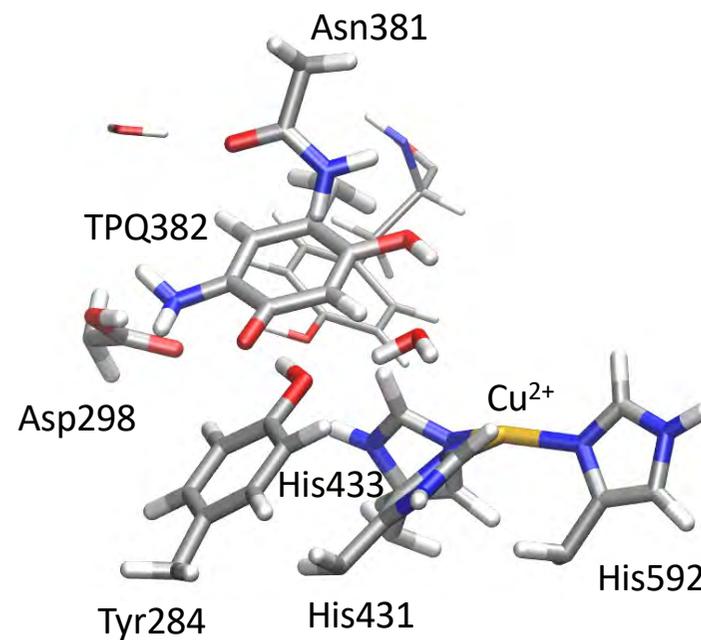
Computational details

QM/MM

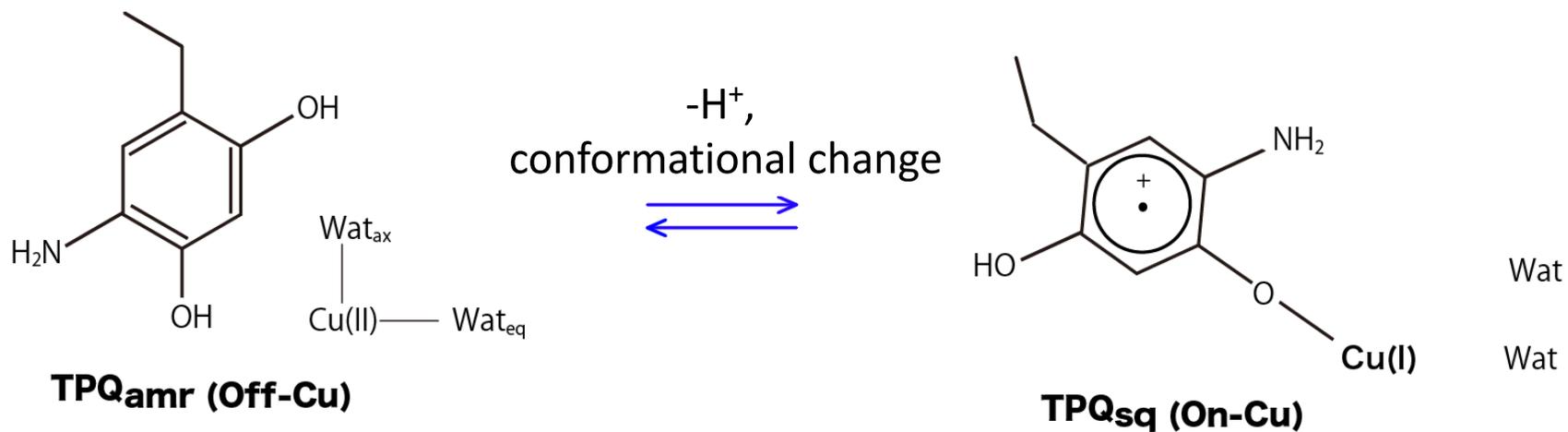
- Program Package: NWChem version 6.8
- Method: UB3LYP/(LANL-2DZ, 6-31G*)| amber 99
- Optimization for 10 Å around the QM center
- #QM=84, #Basis=789



Thick Tube: QM region



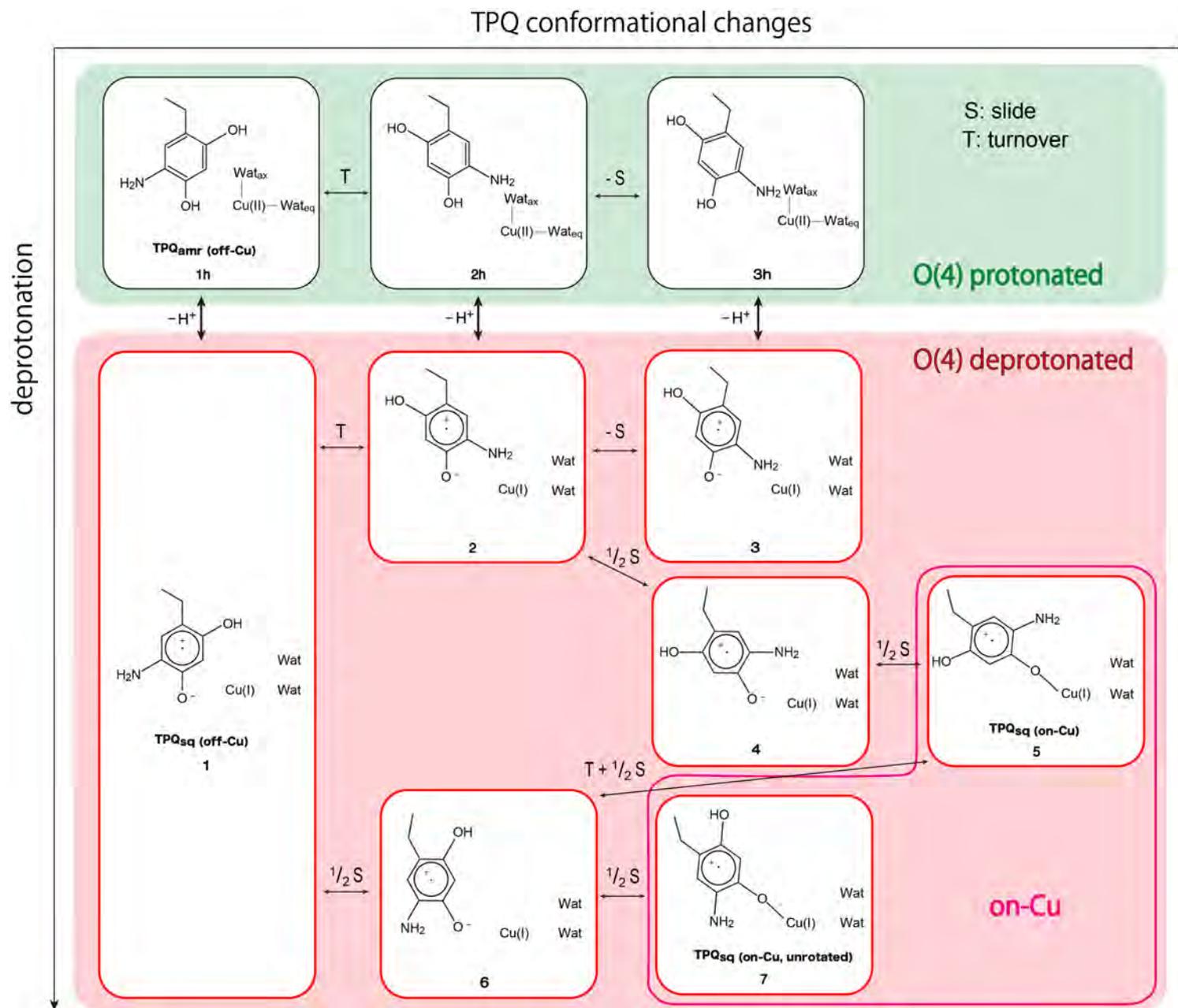
QM atoms (side view)



Calculated results

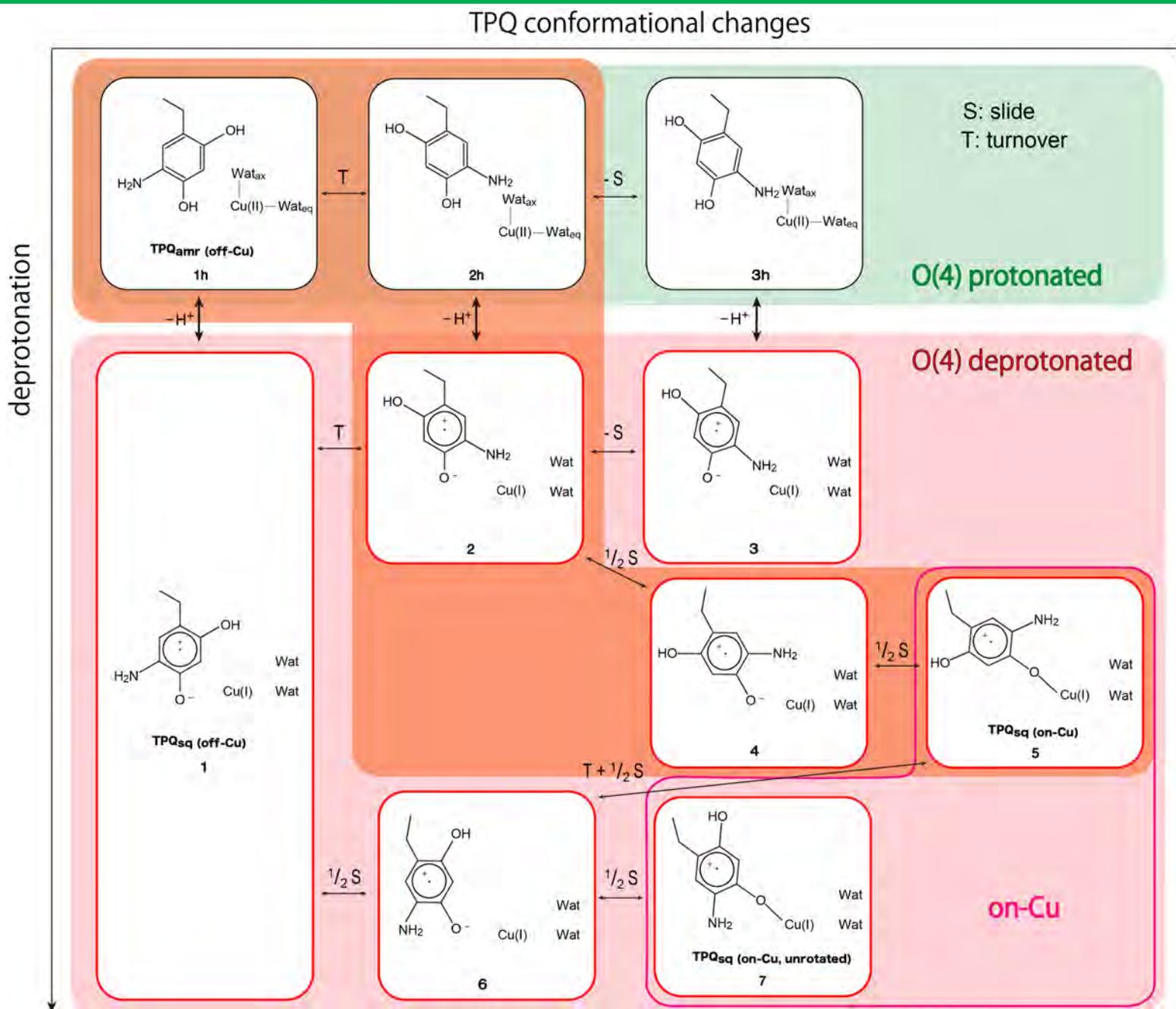
kcal mol⁻¹ is simplified as kcal

Intermediate states (IMS) determined by QM/MM



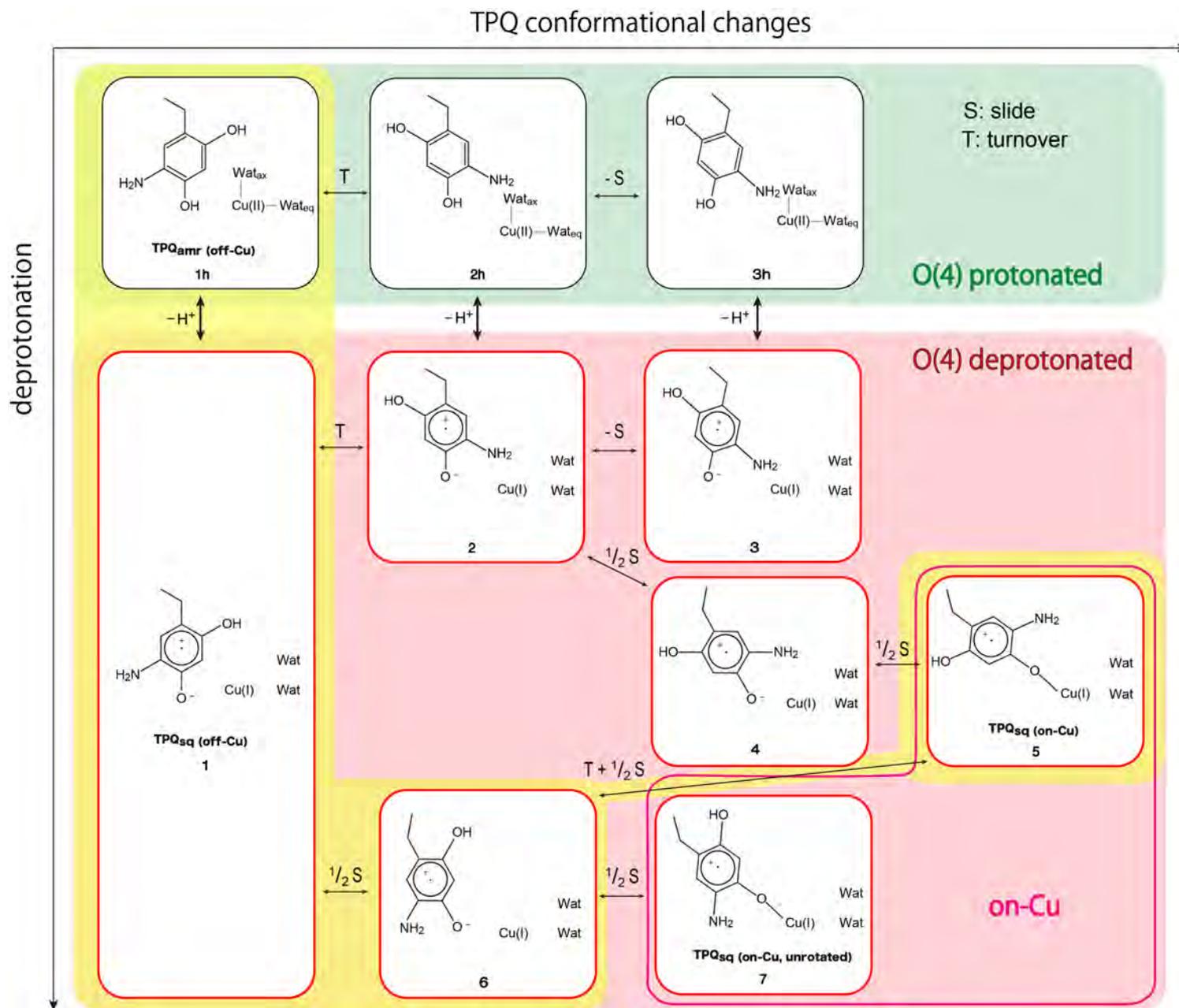
Map of IMS

1A: 1h → 2h → 2 → 4 → 5



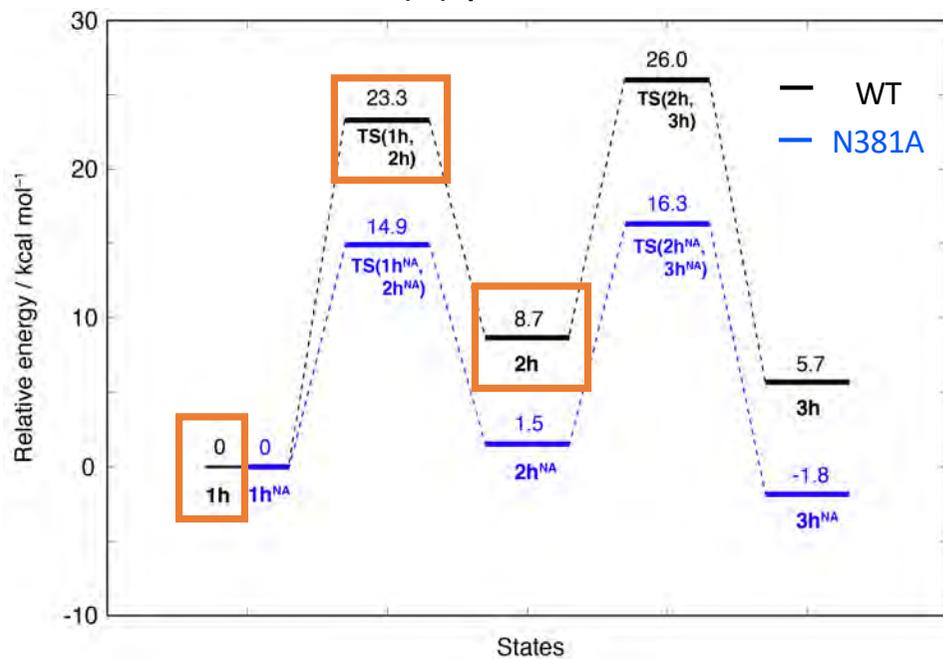
Map of IMS

2A: 1h → 1 → 6 → 5

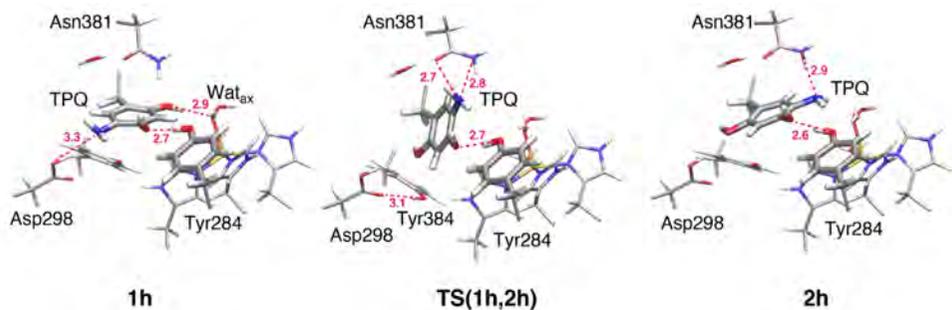
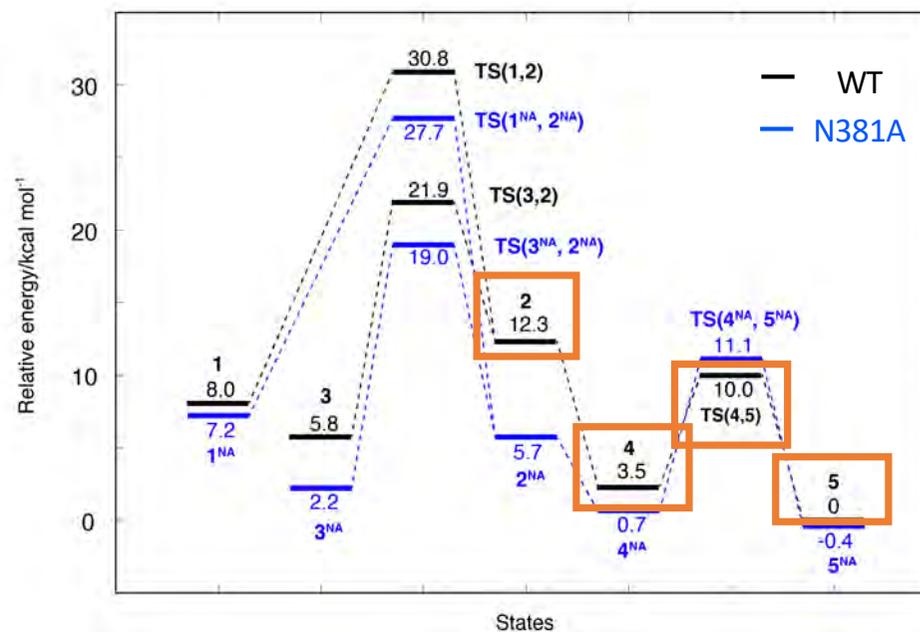


Energy profile of 1A (1h → 2h → 2 → 4 → 5)

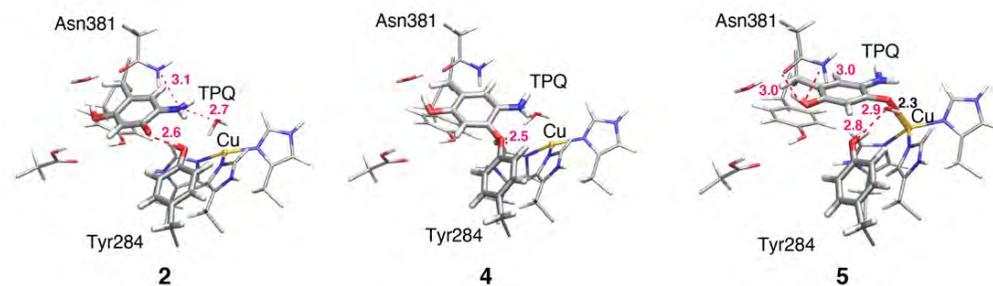
O(4) protonated



O(4) deprotonated



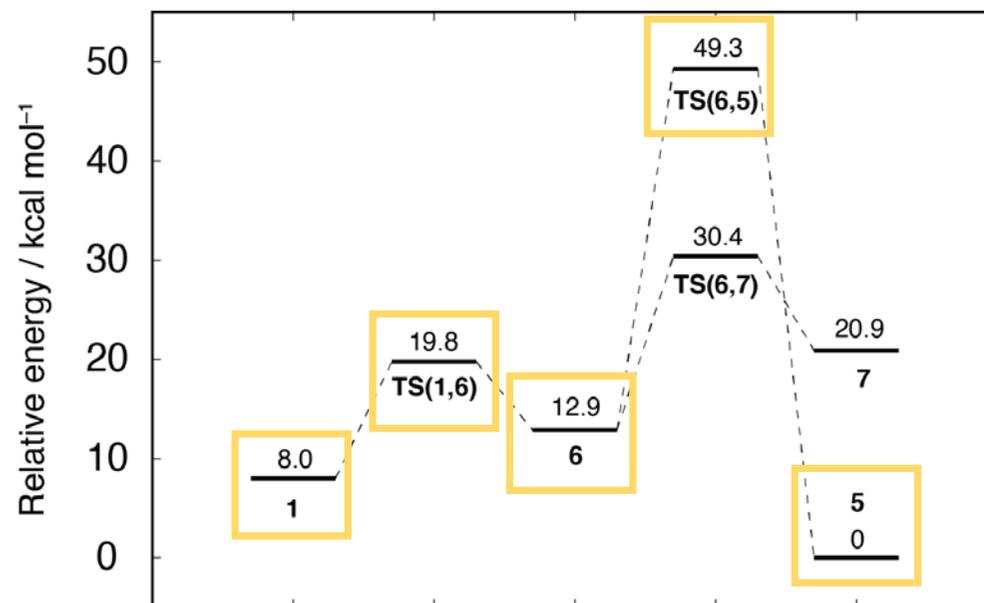
turnover $\Delta E^\ddagger = 23.3$ kcal (TS(1h,2h))



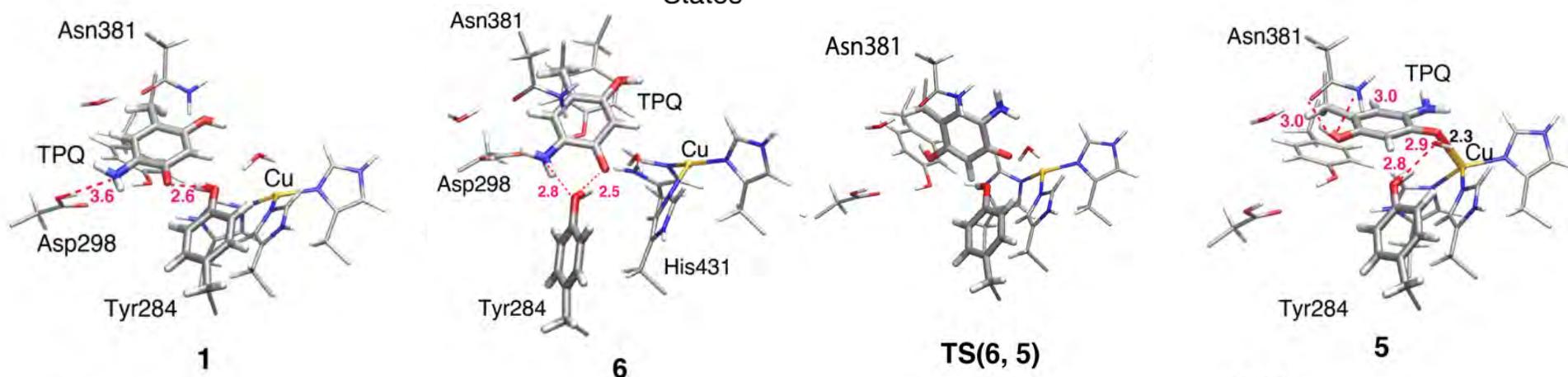
silde $\Delta E^\ddagger = 10.0$ kcal (TS(4,5))

Energy profile of 2A (1h \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 6 \rightarrow 5)

O(4) deprotonated



States

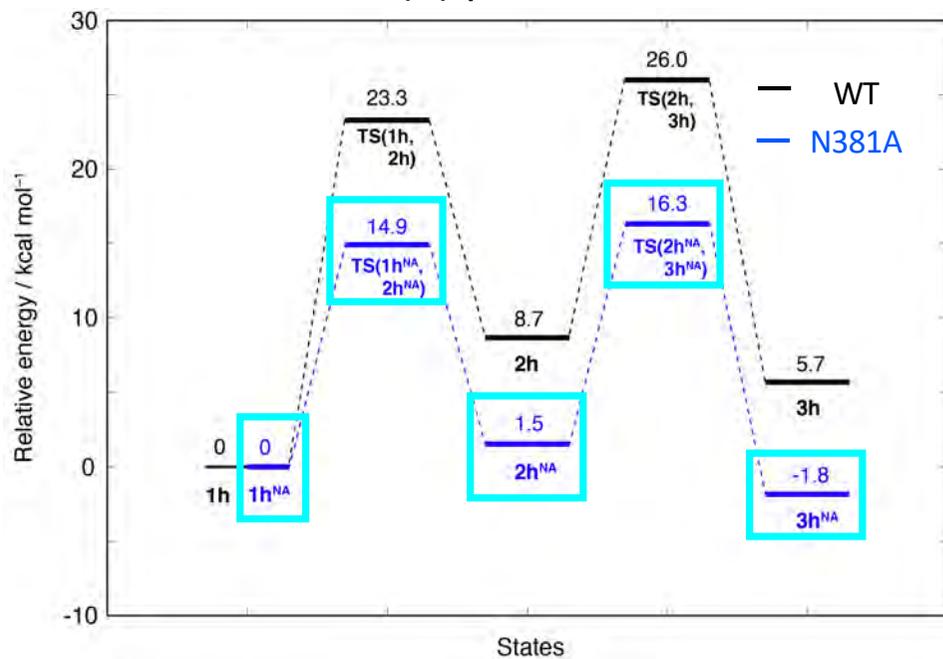


slide $\Delta E^\ddagger=19.8$ kcal (TS(1,6))

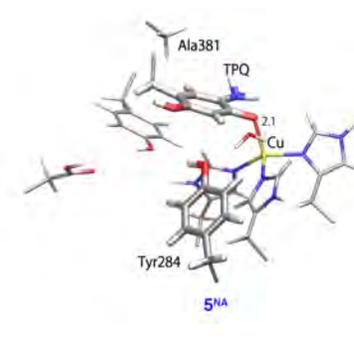
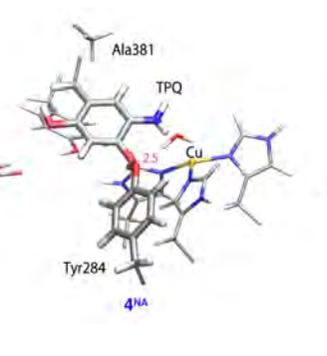
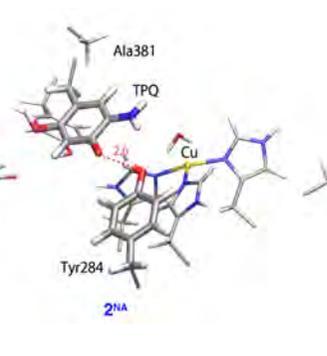
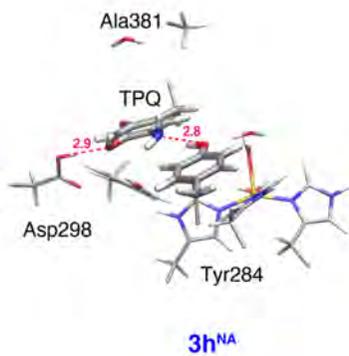
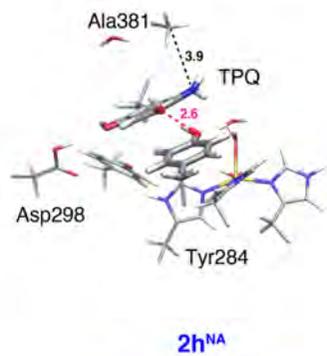
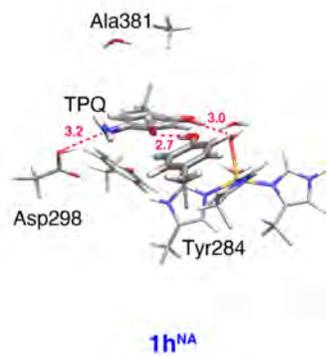
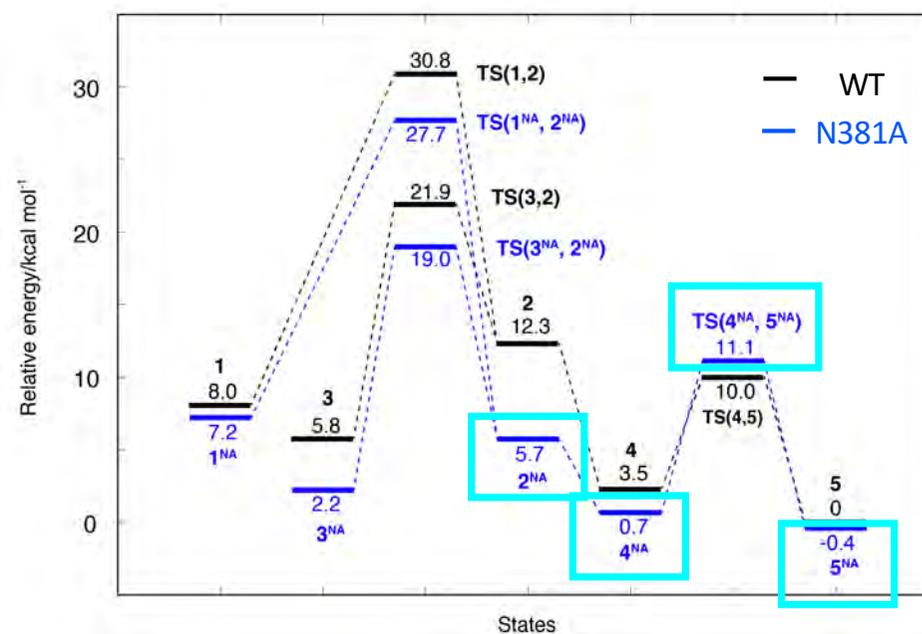
turnover $\Delta E^\ddagger=49.3$ kcal (TS(6,5))

Energy profile of N381A mutant (NA)

O(4) protonated



O(4) deprotonated



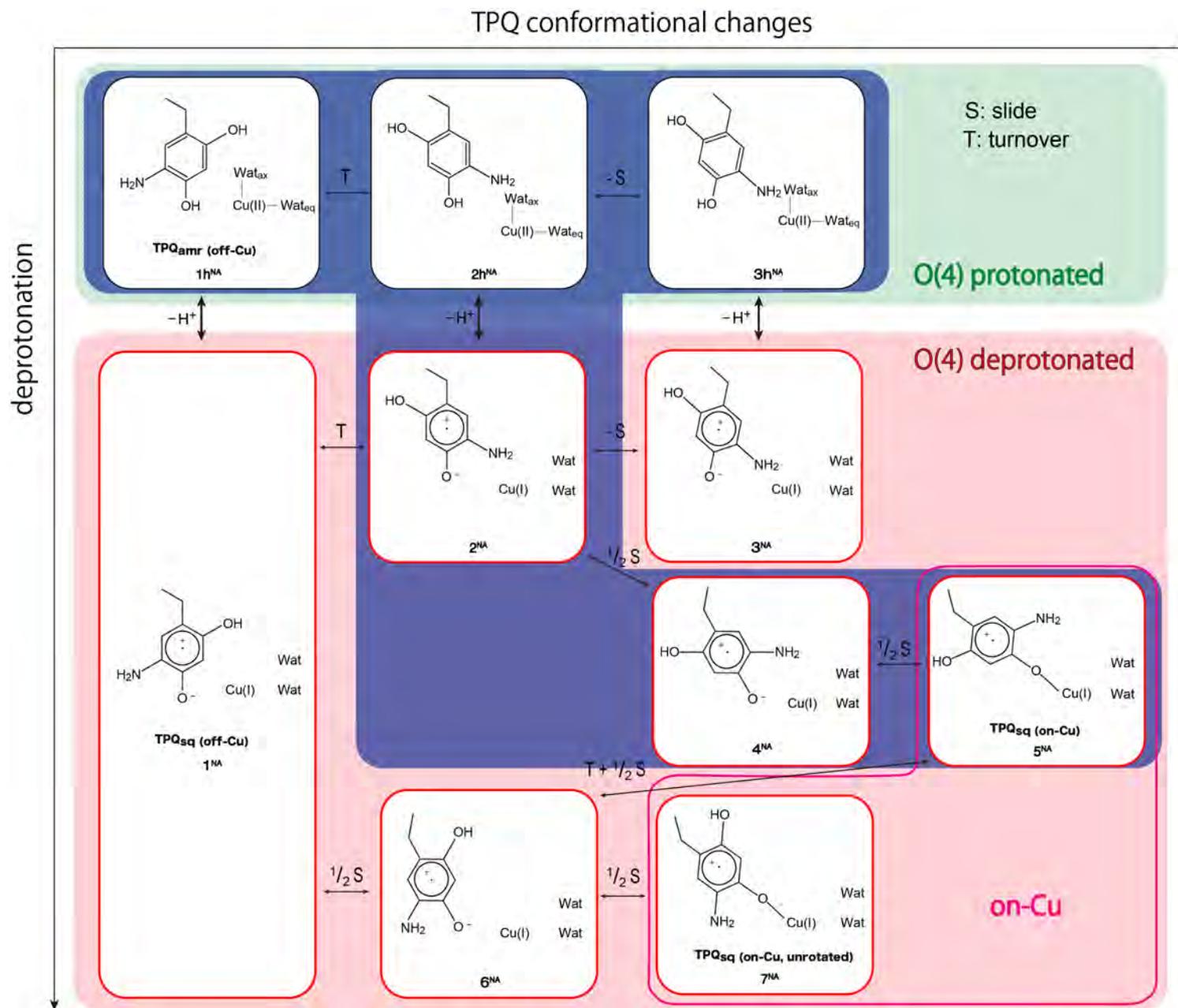
turnover $\Delta E^\ddagger=14.9$ kcal

-slide $\Delta E^\ddagger=16.3$ kcal

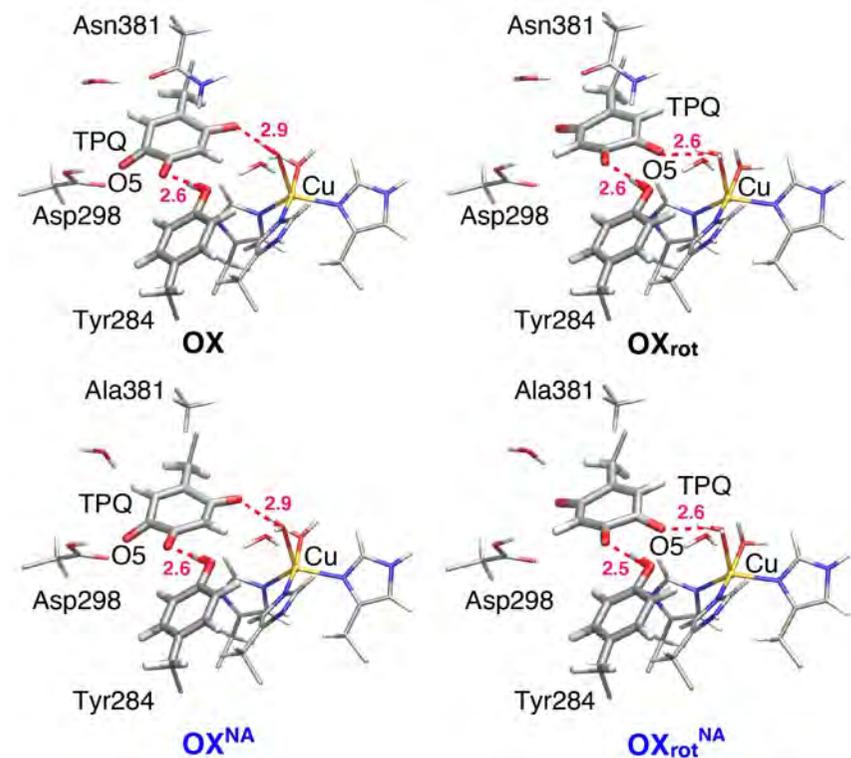
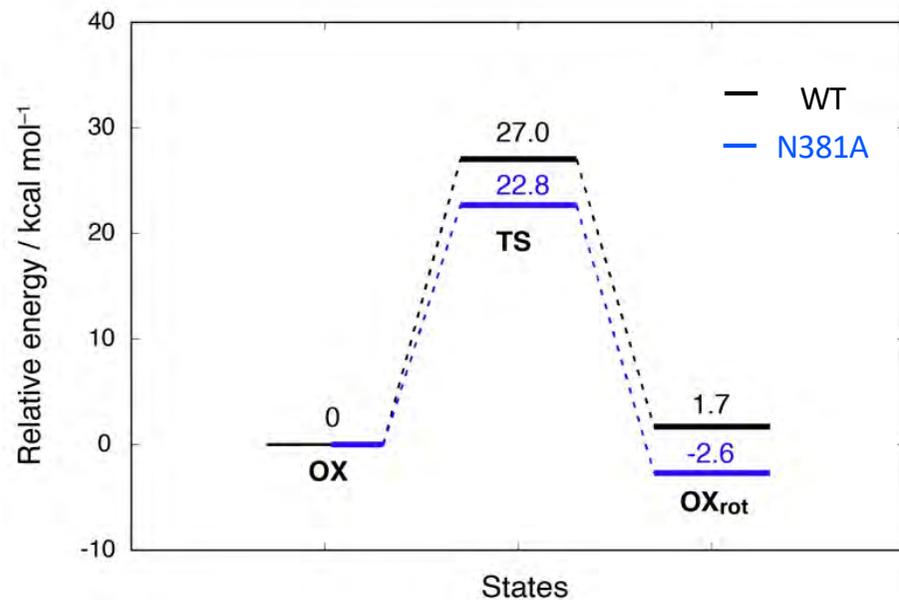
slide $\Delta E^\ddagger=19.0$ kcal

slide $\Delta E^\ddagger=11.1$ kcal

Map of IMS Energy profile of N381A ($1h^{NA} \rightarrow 2h^{NA} (\rightleftharpoons 3h^{NA}) \rightarrow 2^{NA} \rightarrow 4^{NA} \rightarrow 5^{NA}$)



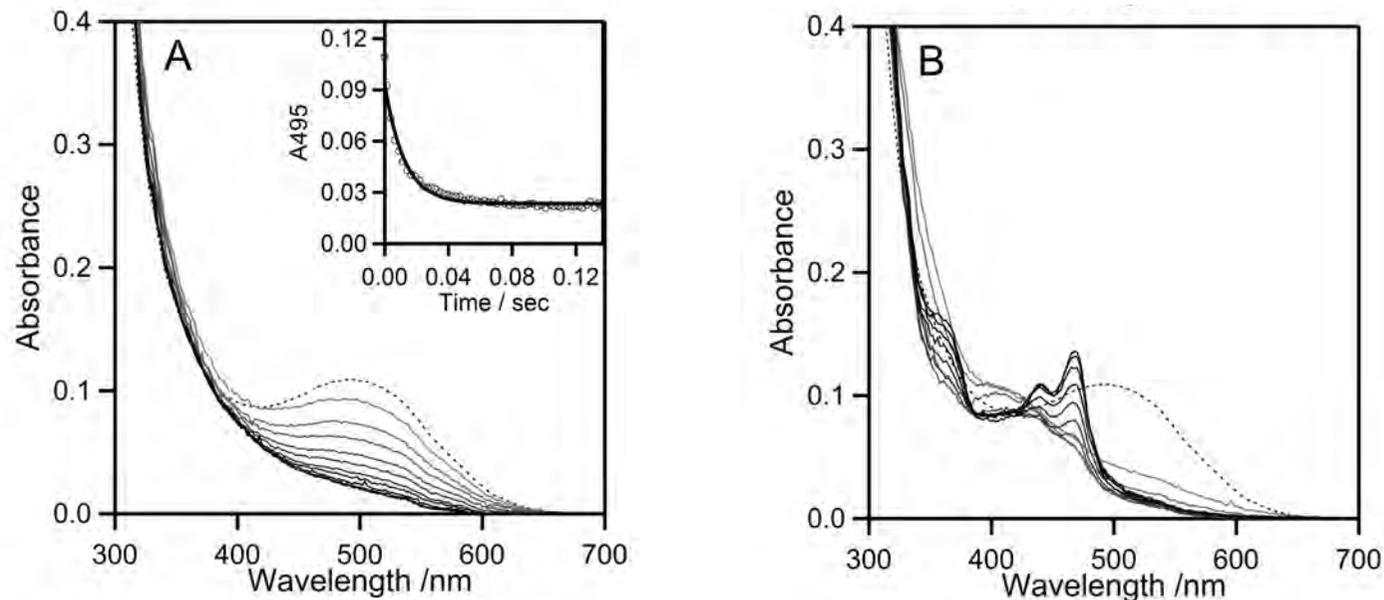
Possibilities of turnover of TPQ_{ox} in WT and N381A



- In WT, turnover of TPQ_{ox} becomes unstable ($\Delta E = 1.7$ kcal)
- In N381A, turnover of TPQ_{ox} becomes stabilized ($\Delta E = -2.6$ kcal).
- In N381A, ΔE^\ddagger also becomes low

Kinetics measurements by UV-vis spectroscopy

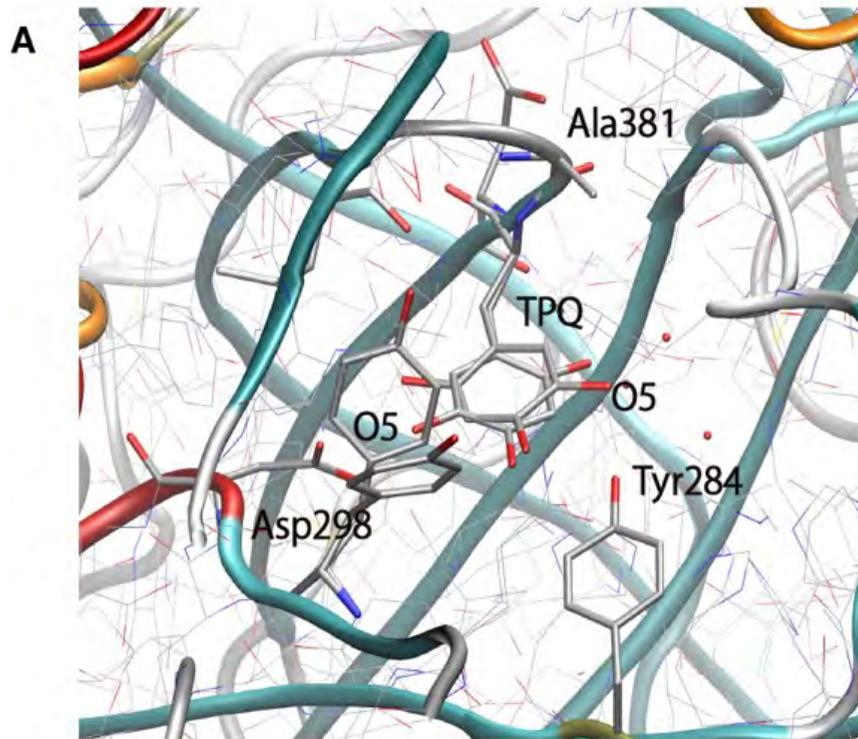
- TPQ formation decreased in N381A (1/180)
- k_{cat} is reduced in N381A (1/160)



UV-vis spectra changes by Stopped-flow spectrometer (A) the N381A mutant and (B) the WT AGAO with 2-PEA.

- Reaction stopped at TPQ_{amr} in N381A
- TPQ_{sq} formed in WT

X-ray crystal structures in N381A

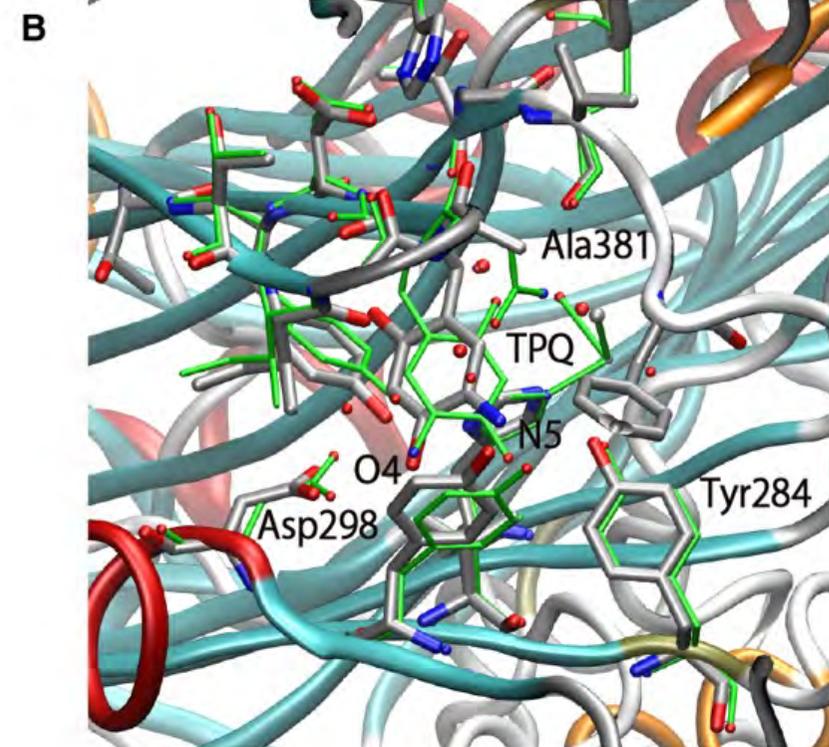


N381A_{holo} (TPQ_{ox}^{N381A})

1.50 Å resolution

TPQ flipped form can be observed (52%)

=> Ox_{rot}^{NA}



N381A_{holo/PEA} (TPQ_{amr}^{N381A}/TPQ_{amr})

1.90 Å resolution

N381A TPQ_{amr} take a TPQ flipped form

=> 3h^{NA}

Conclusion

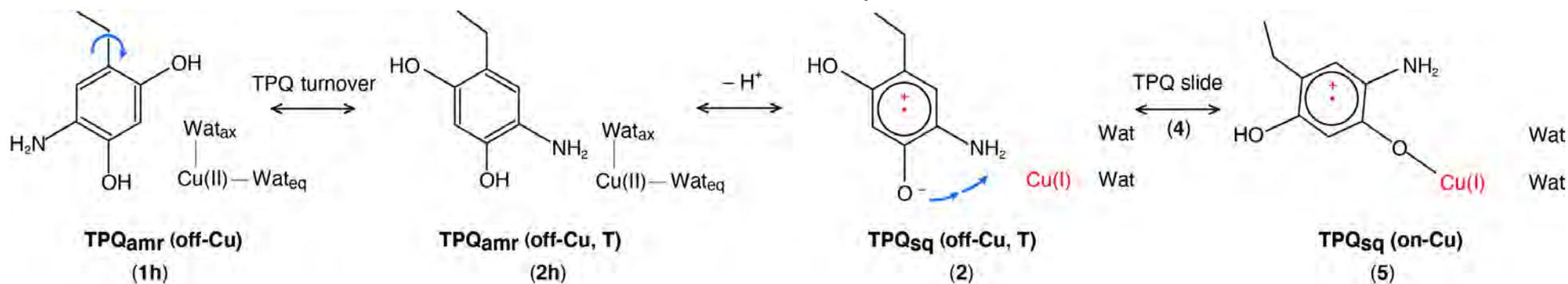
Theoretical study

- In WT, 1A:turnover(clockwise)& slide pathway is possible for $\text{TPQ}_{\text{amr}} \rightarrow \text{TPQ}_{\text{sq}}$
- In N381A, reaction barriers of turnover and slide steps become low, and TPQ flipped form, $\text{TPQ}_{\text{amr}}(\mathbf{3h}^{\text{NA}})$, is most stabilized even to TPQ_{sq} .
- In N381A, a flipped form of TPQ_{ox} is stabilized. This conformation is inactive for the reductive half reactions.
- N381 controls the conformation of TPQ in TPQ_{ox} and TPQ_{amr} . In the formation of TPQ_{sq} , the conformational change of TPQ contributes to stabilize TPQ_{sq} .

Experimental study

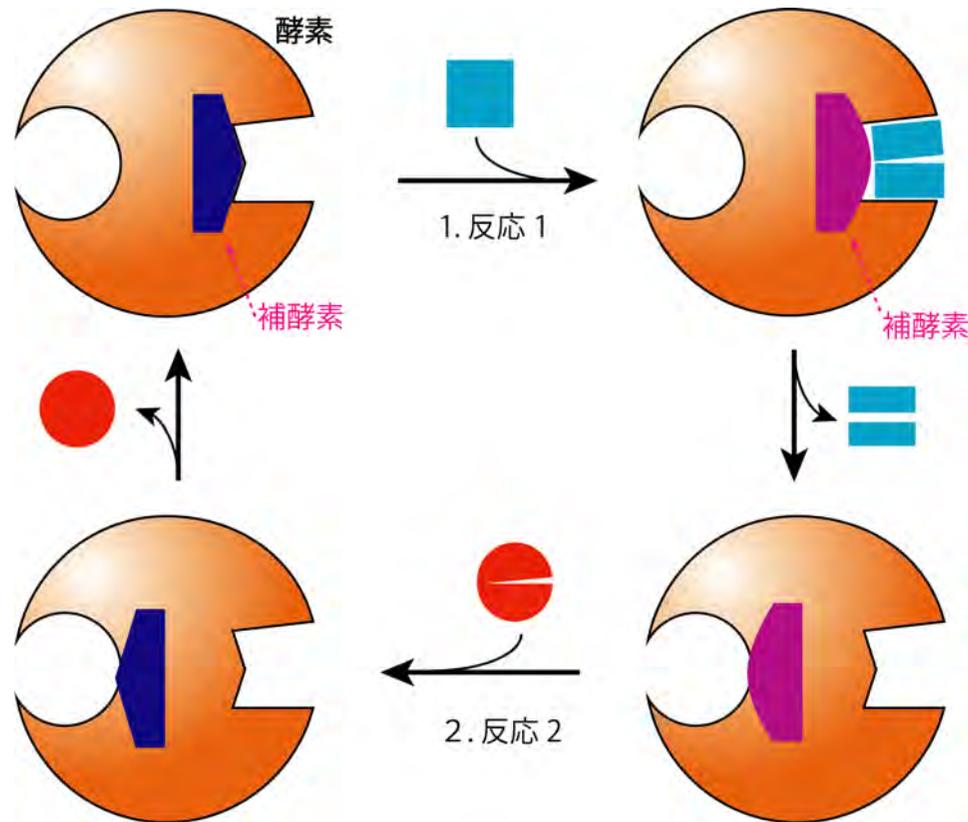
- Detection of intermediate states by Spectroscopy
- X-ray crystal structures of N381A in TPQ_{ox} and TPQ_{amr}

Proposed reaction mechanism for $\text{TPQ}_{\text{amr}} \rightarrow \text{TPQ}_{\text{sq}}$



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CAO is a nonclassical enzyme (nonstatic、 dynamical、 quantum ?)

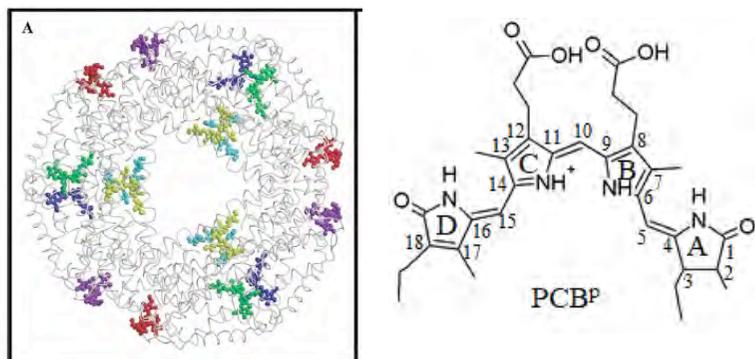


- Reaction really possible ?
There is a pathway
- Why the conformation takes place ?
stabilization of TPQ_{sq}

- Multistep reaction (reaction 1 and 2)
- State specific reaction
- important for highly efficient catalysis

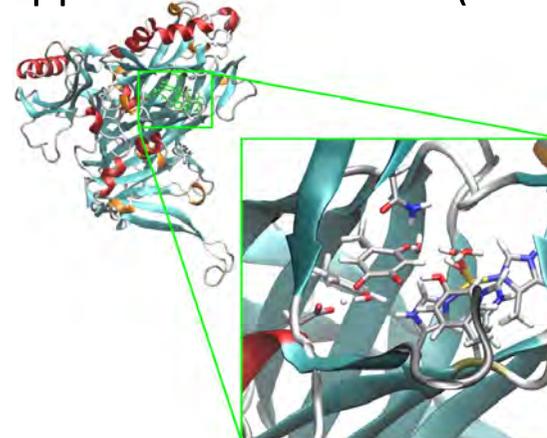
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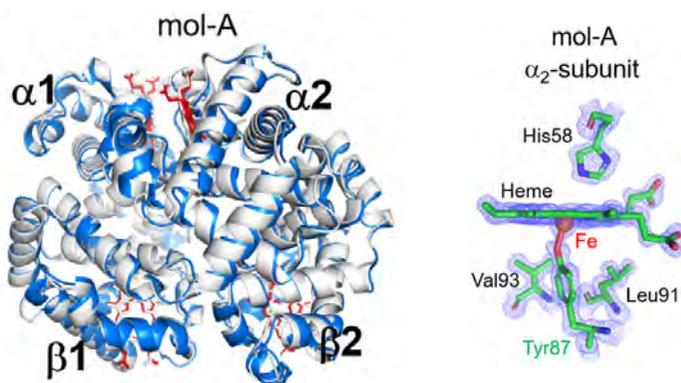
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2. Copper Amine Oxidase (CAO)



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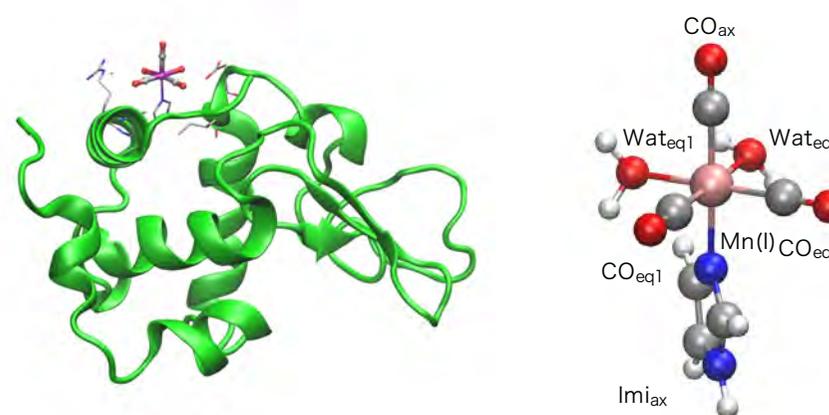
3. Hemoglobin M Iwate (Hb M Iwate)



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4. Lysozyme · Mn(CO₃) complex



B01: Basudev Maity

