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Characterization of metformin/functional groups associates in aqueous system

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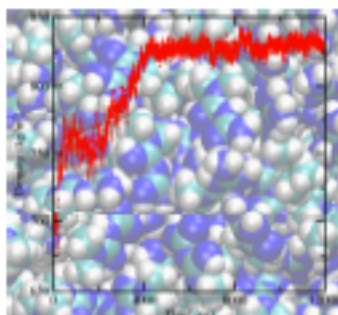
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In this contribution we present a fundamental study of metformin (*N,N*-dimethylimidodicarbonimidic diamide) aqueous mixtures, with three different functional groups, specifically, acetic acid, ethanol and DABCO (1,4-diazabicyclo[2.2.2]octane). The chemical equilibrium and thermodynamic parameters were determined by molecular dynamics in the NpT and NVT ensembles at standard conditions using GROMACS [1]. All the molecular models were TraPPE-like built [2]. The outcomes of this study, particularly, the prediction of the free energy of binding for metformin/functional group and the insights on the solvent effect over this parameter will help the designing process of novel functionalized activated carbon for metformin recovery from water [3].



Left) Calculated metformin density (328.584 (7.2692) kg/m³ at 25 °C and 1 atm. Right) Water metformin molecule same conditions.

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