

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL TO  
**Diversifying the chloroquinoline scaffold against SARS-CoV-2  
main protease: Virtual screening approach using cross-docking,  
SiteMap analysis and molecular dynamics simulation**

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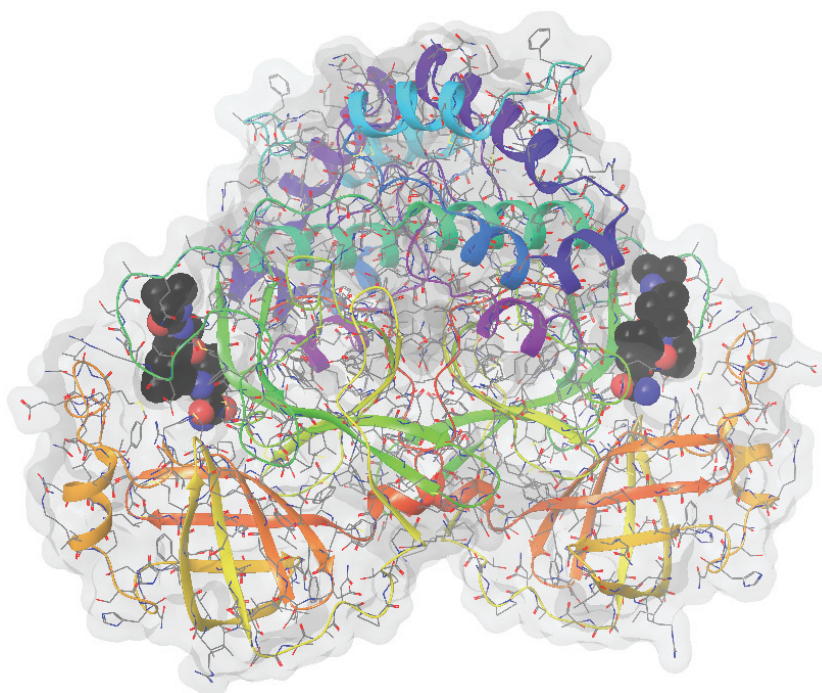


Fig. S-1. Crystal structure of [SARS-CoV-2/M<sup>pro</sup>] complex (PDB ID: 7BRP).

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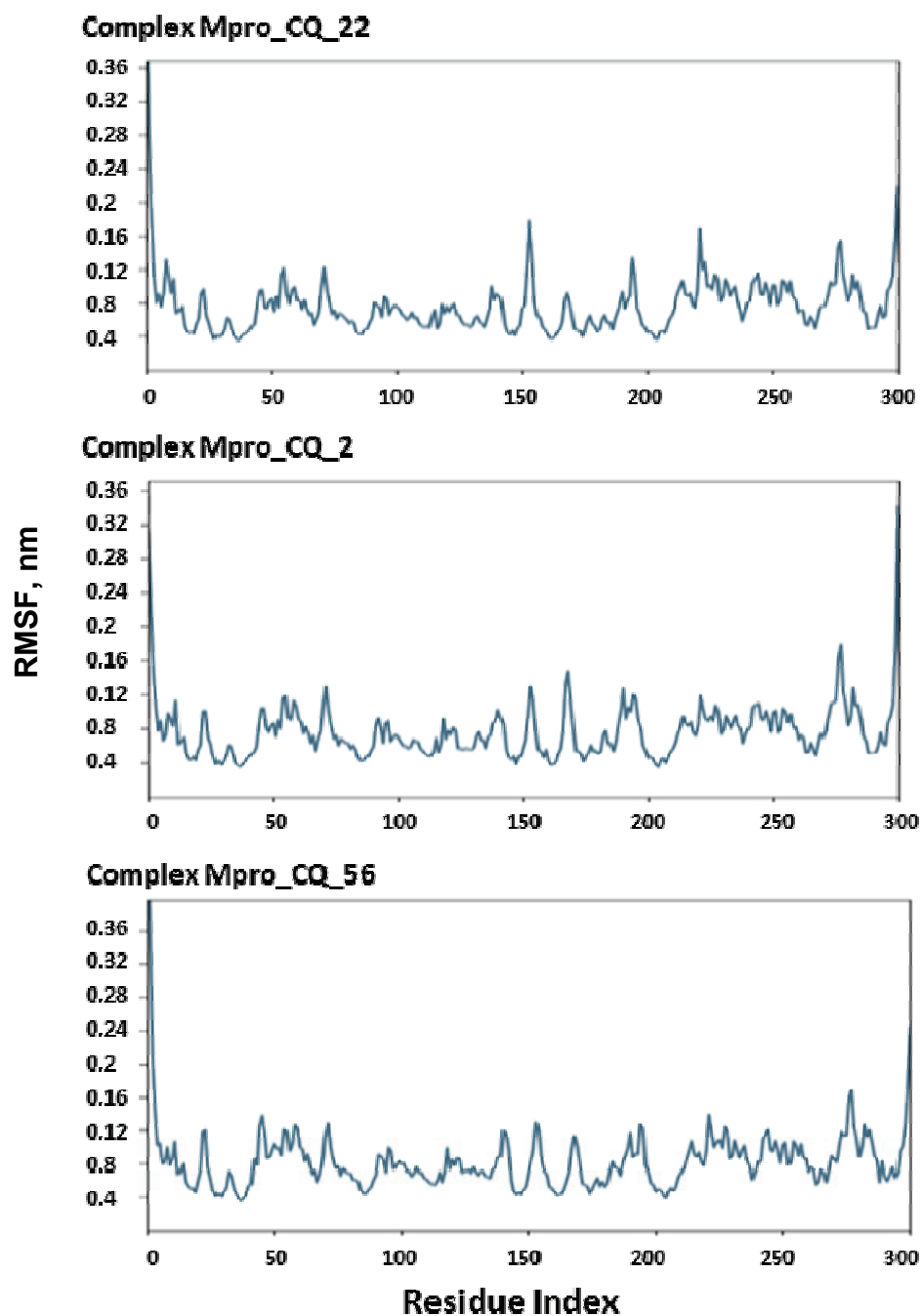


Fig. S-5. RMSF of the M<sup>pro</sup> enzyme in complex with CQ\_22, CQ\_2 and CQ\_56 during the 100 ns period of the MD simulation.

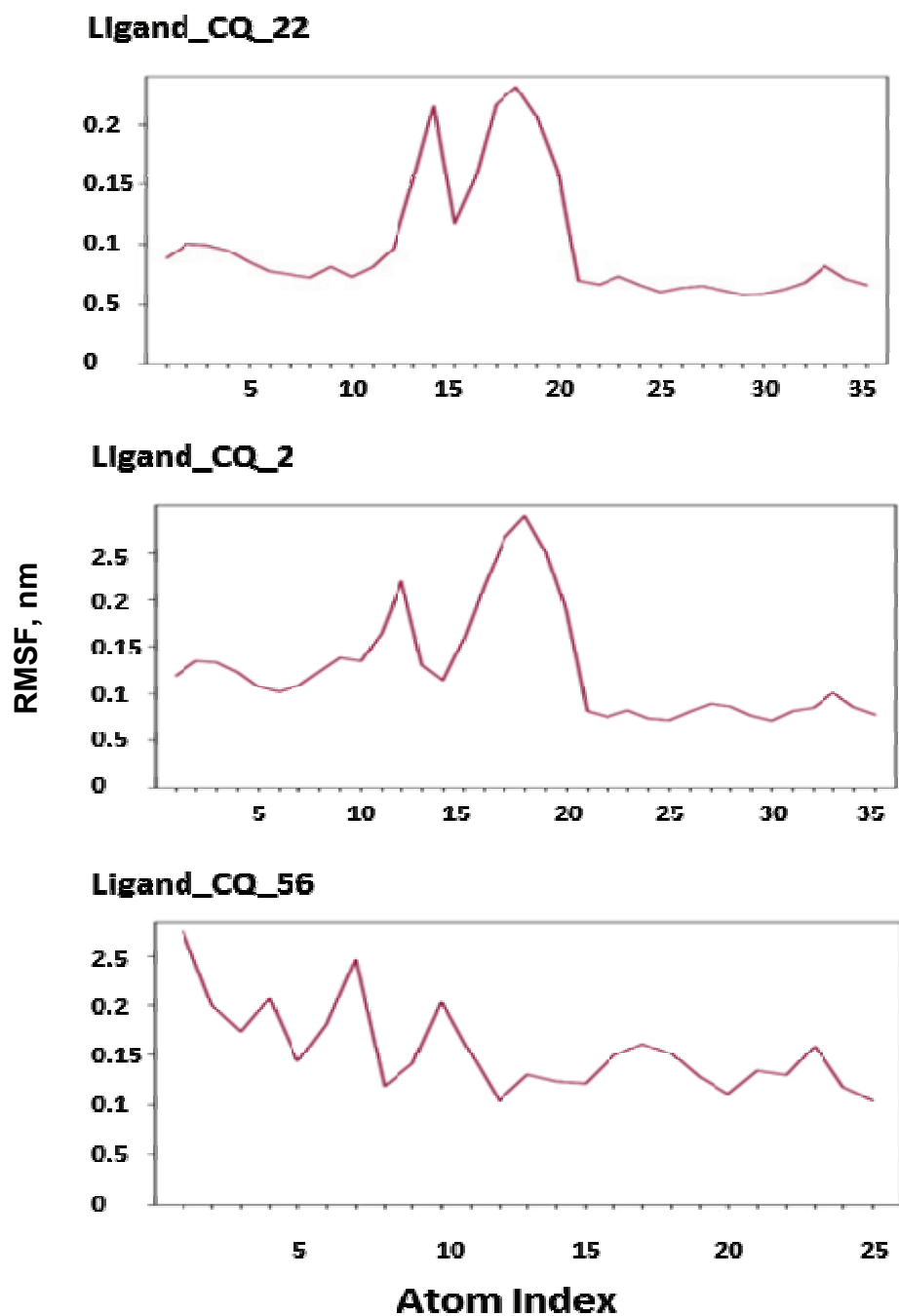
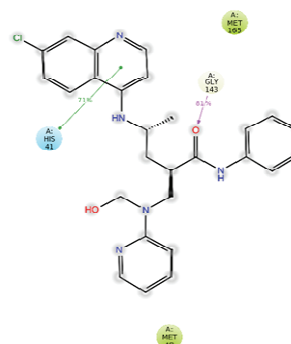
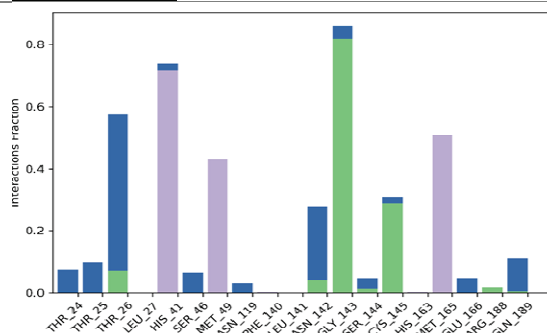
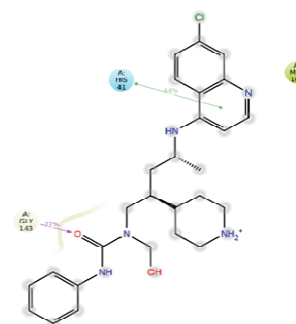
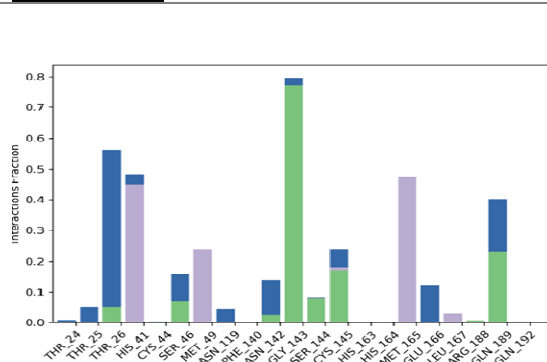


Fig. S-6. Root mean square fluctuation: During the 100 ns timeframe of the MD simulation, the RMSF of the complexed ligands CQ<sub>22</sub>, CQ<sub>2</sub> and CQ<sub>56</sub>.

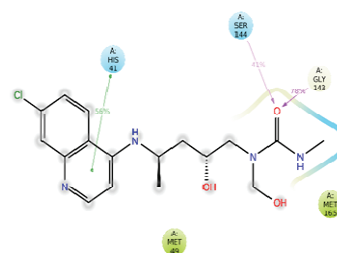
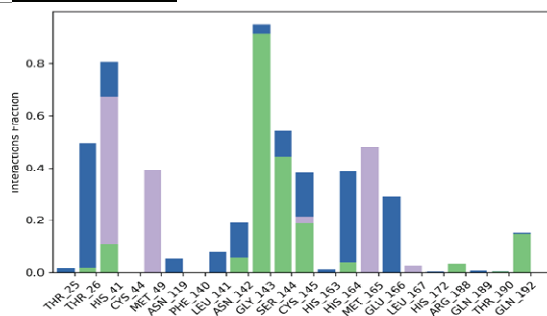
**Ligand CQ 22:**



**Ligand CQ 2:**



**Ligand CQ 56:**



Legend: H-bonds (green), Hydrophobic (purple), Ionic (red), Water bridges (blue)

Fig. S-7. Protein–ligand contact during 100 ns MD simulation timescale.

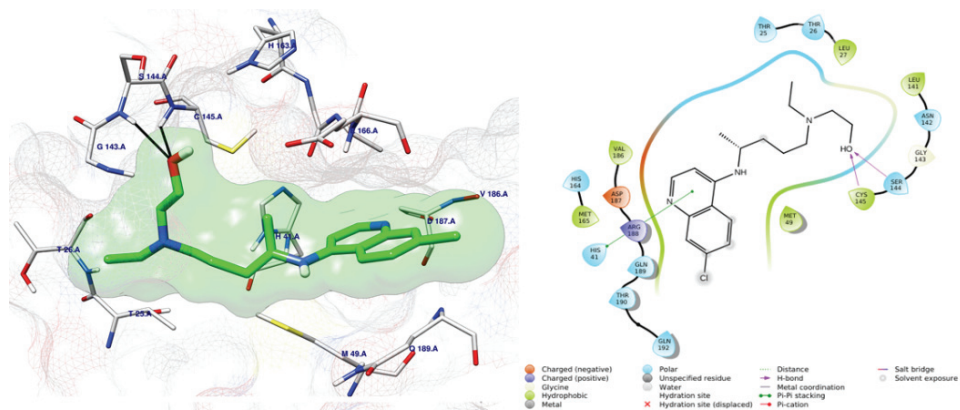


Fig. S-8. Binding disposition of HCQ after docking calculations in the active site of  $M^{PTO}$ ; HCQ in green sticks. H-bonds are shown as black lines. The 2D interaction diagram is shown in the lower panel.