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Solvent Effects on Electronic Structures and Chain Conformations of α-Oligothiophenes

# in Polar and Apolar Solutions

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| -  | PCFF          | Mulliken                | ESP       |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---------------|-------------------------|-----------|--|--|--|--|--|
| SH-O interaction ( $r_{SH}$ =2.4 Å)      |               |                         |           |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>S</b> 1                               | 0.0240        | 0.046088                | 0.085736  |  |  |  |  |  |
| C2                                       | -0.1388       | -0.267338               | -0.262202 |  |  |  |  |  |
| C3                                       | -0.1388       | -0.267338               | -0.262202 |  |  |  |  |  |
| C4                                       | -0.1268       | -0.151514               | -0.056418 |  |  |  |  |  |
| C5                                       | -0.1268       | -0.151514               | -0.056418 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Н6                                       | 0.1268        | 0.204741                | 0.198037  |  |  |  |  |  |
| H7                                       | 0.1268        | 0.204741                | 0.198037  |  |  |  |  |  |
| H8                                       | 0.1268        | 0.181764                | 0.107059  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Н9                                       | 0.1268        | 0.181764                | 0.107059  |  |  |  |  |  |
| H10                                      | 0.3991        | 0.390378                | 0.386466  |  |  |  |  |  |
| O11                                      | -0.7982       | -0.731877               | -0.838754 |  |  |  |  |  |
| H12                                      | 0.3991        | 0.360106                | 0.393600  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\pi$ H-O interaction ( $r_{CEN}=2.4$ Å) |               |                         |           |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>S</b> 1                               | 0.0240        | 0.038044                | 0.048691  |  |  |  |  |  |
| C2                                       | -0.1388       | -0.306073               | -0.256728 |  |  |  |  |  |
| C3                                       | -0.1388       | -0.307277               | -0.262372 |  |  |  |  |  |
| C4                                       | -0.1268       | -0.105456               | -0.051646 |  |  |  |  |  |
| C5                                       | -0.1268       | -0.104457               | -0.048959 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Н6                                       | 0.1268        | 0.203040                | 0.199384  |  |  |  |  |  |
| H7                                       | 0.1268        | 0.203040                | 0.201590  |  |  |  |  |  |
| H8                                       | 0.1268        | 0.182678                | 0.114512  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Н9                                       | 0.1268        | 0.182683                | 0.114340  |  |  |  |  |  |
| H10                                      | 0.3991        | 0.381398                | 0.359602  |  |  |  |  |  |
| O11                                      | -0.7982       | -0.727886               | -0.816188 |  |  |  |  |  |
| H12                                      | 0.3991        | 0.360267                | 0.397774  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | C-HCl interac | tion ( $r_{HCl}=2.6$ Å) |           |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>S</b> 1                               | 0.024         | -0.092887               | 0.020483  |  |  |  |  |  |
| C2                                       | -0.139        | -0.154089               | -0.191063 |  |  |  |  |  |
| C3                                       | -0.139        | -0.486272               | -0.234763 |  |  |  |  |  |
| C4                                       | -0.127        | -0.199385               | -0.126336 |  |  |  |  |  |
| C5                                       | -0.127        | 0.194130                | -0.046229 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Н6                                       | 0.127         | 0.182119                | 0.172709  |  |  |  |  |  |
| H7                                       | 0.127         | 0.190204                | 0.178175  |  |  |  |  |  |
| H8                                       | 0.127         | 0.170808                | 0.107451  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Н9                                       | 0.127         | 0.174045                | 0.114562  |  |  |  |  |  |
| C110                                     | -0.184        | -0.037102               | 0.029281  |  |  |  |  |  |
| C11                                      | 0.736         | -0.125658               | -0.123638 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cl12                                     | -0.184        | 0.193314                | 0.030064  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cl13                                     | -0.184        | -0.004614               | 0.034652  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cl14                                     | -0.184        | -0.004614               | 0.034652  |  |  |  |  |  |

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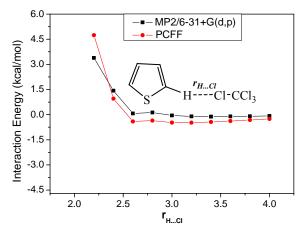
|     | <i>n</i> -hexane | 1,4-dioxane | carbon tetrachloride | chloroform | water |
|-----|------------------|-------------|----------------------|------------|-------|
| Т   |                  | 117         |                      |            | 551   |
| 2T  | 75               | 116         | 102                  | 123        | 546   |
| 3T  | 74               | 115         | 102                  | 123        | 542   |
| 4T  | 73               | 114         | 101                  | 122        | 537   |
| 5T  | 72               | 113         | 101                  | 121        | 533   |
| 6T  | 71               | 112         | 100                  | 120        | 528   |
| 7T  | 70               | 111         | 100                  | 120        | 524   |
| 8T  | 69               | 110         | 99                   | 119        | 519   |
| 9T  | 68               | 109         | 99                   | 118        | 514   |
| 10T | 67               | 108         | 98                   | 118        | 510   |

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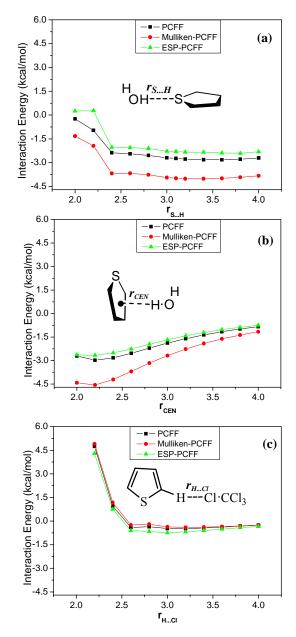
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|---|---------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
|   | gas (expt. <sup>a</sup> ) | <i>n</i> -hexane | 1,4-dioxane              | chloroform | water |  |  |  |  |
| S1-C2   | 1.736 (1.719)             | 1.736            | 1.736                    | 1.737      | 1.738 |  |  |  |  |
| C2-C3   | 1.368 (1.363)             | 1.368            | 1.368                    | 1.368      | 1.368 |  |  |  |  |
| C3-C4   | 1.424 (1.452)             | 1.425            | 1.425                    | 1.425      | 1.426 |  |  |  |  |
| C4-C5   | 1.378 (1.370)             | 1.378            | 1.378                    | 1.378      | 1.378 |  |  |  |  |
| C5-S1   | 1.756 (1.733)             | 1.757            | 1.757                    | 1.758      | 1.759 |  |  |  |  |
| C5-C6   | 1.451 (1.456)             | 1.451            | 1.451                    | 1.452      | 1.452 |  |  |  |  |
| C2-S1-C5  | 91.8 (91.7)               | 91.8             | 91.8                     | 91.8       | 91.8  |  |  |  |  |
| S1-C2-C3  | 111.6 (112.3)             | 111.6            | 111.6                    | 111.5      | 111.5 |  |  |  |  |
| C2-C3-C4  | 112.9 (112.3)             | 112.9            | 112.9                    | 113.0      | 113.0 |  |  |  |  |
| C3-C4-C5  | 113.6 (111.9)             | 113.6            | 113.6                    | 113.6      | 113.6 |  |  |  |  |
| C4-C5-S1  | 110.1 (111.8)             | 110.1            | 110.1                    | 110.0      | 110.0 |  |  |  |  |
| C4-C5-C6  | 129.1 (126.3)             | 129.1            | 129.2                    | 129.2      | 129.2 |  |  |  |  |
| θ   | 157.6 (148.4)             | 157.9            | 158.4                    | 159.0      | 160.7 |  |  |  |  |
|   | e gas                     | n-hexane         | <sup>9</sup> 1,4-dioxane | chloroform | water |  |  |  |  |
| S1-C2   | 1.735                     | 1.736            | 1.736                    | 1.737      | 1.737 |  |  |  |  |
| C2-C3   | 1.368                     | 1.368            | 1.368                    | 1.368      | 1.369 |  |  |  |  |
| C3-C4   | 1.424                     | 1.424            | 1.424                    | 1.425      | 1.425 |  |  |  |  |
| C4-C5   | 1.379                     | 1.379            | 1.379                    | 1.380      | 1.380 |  |  |  |  |
| C5-S1   | 1.757                     | 1.758            | 1.758                    | 1.759      | 1.759 |  |  |  |  |
| C5-C6   | 1.448                     | 1.448            | 1.448                    | 1.448      | 1.449 |  |  |  |  |
| C6-C7   | 1.379                     | 1.379            | 1.379                    | 1.379      | 1.380 |  |  |  |  |
| C7-C8   | 1.417                     | 1.417            | 1.417                    | 1.418      | 1.418 |  |  |  |  |
| C6-S10  | 1.756                     | 1.757            | 1.757                    | 1.758      | 1.758 |  |  |  |  |
| C5-S1-C2  | 91.8                      | 91.8             | 91.8                     | 91.8       | 91.8  |  |  |  |  |
| S1-C2-C3  | 111.6                     | 111.6            | 111.6                    | 111.6      | 111.6 |  |  |  |  |
| C2-C3-C4  | 112.9                     | 112.9            | 112.9                    | 113.0      | 113.0 |  |  |  |  |
| C3-C4-C5  | 113.6                     | 113.6            | 113.6                    | 113.6      | 113.6 |  |  |  |  |
| C4-C5-S1  | 110.1                     | 110.1            | 110.1                    | 110.0      | 110.0 |  |  |  |  |
| C9-S10-C6   | 92.1                      | 92.1             | 92.1                     | 92.1       | 92.1  |  |  |  |  |
| S10-C6-C7   | 110.1                     | 110.1            | 110.1                    | 110.1      | 110.1 |  |  |  |  |
| C4-C5-C6  | 129.1                     | 129.1            | 129.1                    | 129.1      | 129.1 |  |  |  |  |
| $\theta$  | 161.4                     | 161.4            | 161.5                    | 161.7      | 161.9 |  |  |  |  |

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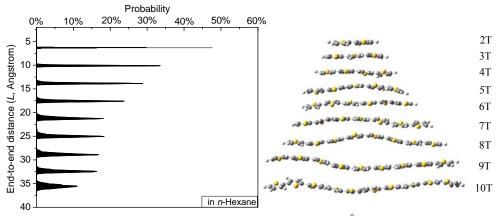


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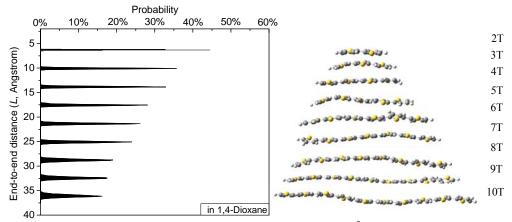


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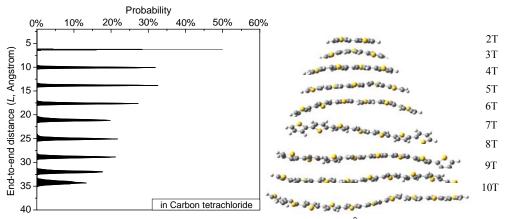


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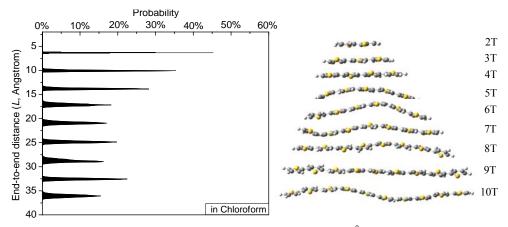
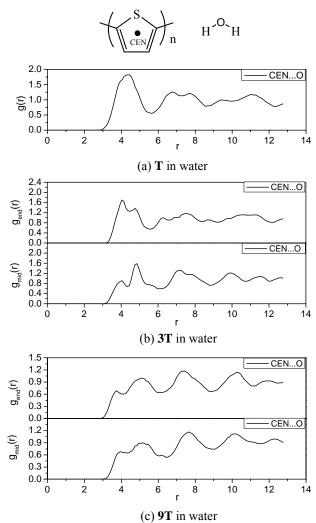
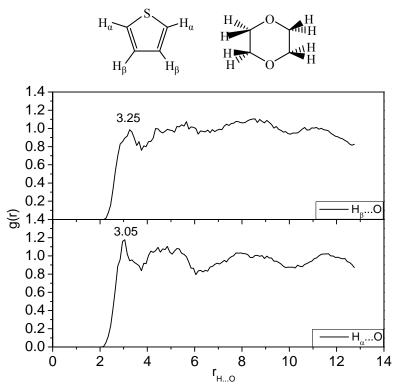


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