

**Supporting information for:**

**Absolute hydration free energy scale for alkali and halide ions established from simulations with a polarizable force field**

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Table S1: Hydration free energy data and computations from the literature

a) Alkali ions

Source <sup>b</sup>	Standard state <sup>a</sup>	Gas	Solution	Li <sup>+</sup>	Na <sup>+</sup>	K <sup>+</sup>	Rb <sup>+</sup>	Cs <sup>+</sup>	Comments
<b>Extrathermodynamic hypothesis</b>									
Noyes62	1 atm	1 M	-120.8	-97.0	-79.3	-74.2	-66.5	$\Delta F_{\text{el}}^{\circ}$ from Table I, plus $\Delta F_{\text{neut}}^{\circ} = 1.325 \text{ kcal/mol}$	
Marcus86-87	1 MPa	1 M	-116.8	-91.5	-74.5	-68.9	-67.6		
<b>Electrochemistry</b>									
Randles56	1 atm	1 M	-122.1	-98.2	-80.6	-75.5	-67.8	Table 1	
Gomer77	1 atm	1 M	-118.1	-90.6	-73.1			$\Delta G_{\text{solv}}^{\circ}$ from Table IV	
<b>Cluster measurements</b>									
Klots81	1 atm	1 M	-124.0	-100.1	-82.5	-77.4	-69.7	$\Delta G^{\circ}$ from Table I	
Tissandier98	1 atm	1 M	-126.5	-101.3	-84.1	-78.7		$\Delta G_{\text{aq}}^{\circ}$ from Table 3, with $X = -264.0 \text{ kcal/mol}$	
<b>Theory</b>									
Zhan2001	1 atm	1 M	-124.9	-99.7	-82.5	-77.1	-69.7	Derived from the hydration free energy of H <sup>+</sup>	
Astthagiri2003	1 M	1 M	-112.7	-88.7				Column SPC/E from Table II	
	1 atm	1 M	-110.8	-86.8				Column SPC/E from Table II, plus 1.9 kcal/mol	
Grossfield2003	1 atm	1 M	-89.9	-72.6				Table 4	
This work	1 M	1 M	-125.0	-98.5	-81.3	-75.7	-68.4	$\Delta G$ from TI with SSBP	
	1 atm	1 M	-123.1	-96.6	-79.4	-73.8	-66.5	$\Delta G$ from TI with SSBP + 1.9 kcal/mol = $\Delta G_{\text{hydr}}^{\text{real}}$	

b) Halide ions

Source <sup>b</sup>	Standard state <sup>a</sup>	Gas	Solution	F <sup>-</sup>	Cl <sup>-</sup>	Br <sup>-</sup>	I <sup>-</sup>	Comments
<b>Extrathermodynamic hypothesis</b>								
Noyes62	1 atm	1 M	-88.2	-74.8	-67.9	-59.0	$\Delta F_{\text{el}}^{\circ}$ from Table I, plus $\Delta F_{\text{neut}}^{\circ} = 1.325 \text{ kcal/mol}$	
Marcus86-87	1 MPa	1 M	-112.1	-82.4	-76.1	-67.0		
<b>Electrochemistry</b>								
Randles56	1 atm	1 M	-99.1	-70.7	-64.9	-57.2	Table 2	
Gomer77	1 atm	1 M	-110.7	-81.4	-76.1		$\Delta G_{\text{solv}}^{\circ}$ from Table IV	
<b>Cluster measurements</b>								
Klots81	1 atm	1 M	-101.9	-73.9	-70.6	-59.5	$\Delta G^{\circ}$ from Table I	
Tissandier98	1 atm	1 M	-102.5	-72.7	-66.3	-57.4	$\Delta G_{\text{aq}}^{\circ}$ from Table 3, with $X = -264.0 \text{ kcal/mol}$	
<b>Theory</b>								
Zhan2001	1 atm	1 M	-104.1	-74.3	-67.9	-59.0	Derived from the hydration free energy of H <sup>+</sup>	
Zhan2004	1 atm	1 M	-104.3					
Grossfield2003	1 atm	1 M	-84.6				Table 4	
This work	1 M	1 M	-108.7	-79.1	-72.6	-64.0	$\Delta G$ from TI with SSBP	
	1 atm	1 M	-106.8	-77.2	-70.7	-62.1	$\Delta G$ from TI with SSBP + 1.9 kcal/mol = $\Delta G_{\text{hydr}}^{\text{real}}$	

<sup>a</sup>Free energies in the (1 M, 1 M) standard state are converted to the (1 atm, 1 M) standard state by adding 1.9 kcal/mol, the entropic contribution associated with confining 1 mol of ions from a volume of 24.465  $\ell$  to a volume of 1  $\ell$ .

<sup>b</sup>Source for all values: Noyes62,<sup>1</sup> Marcus86-87,<sup>2, 3, 4</sup> Randles56,<sup>5</sup> Gomer77,<sup>6</sup> Klots81,<sup>7</sup> Tissandier98,<sup>8</sup> Zhan2001,<sup>9</sup> Zhan2004,<sup>10</sup> Asthagiri2003,<sup>11</sup> Grossfield2003.<sup>12</sup>

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