

Amorphous Silica-Water , Boehmite AlOOH Interface studied by DFT-MD and adsorption of biomolecules

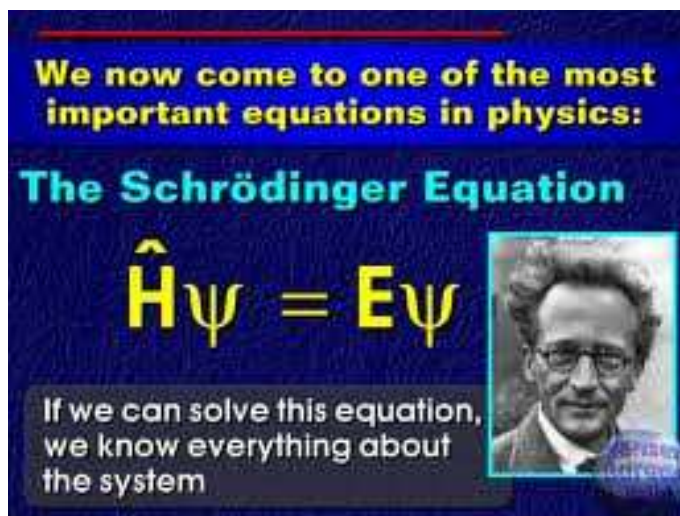
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First Principles Calculations

« structural, dynamics and electronics understanding »



- Bond breaking and making
- Reproduces surface properties (relaxation, structure, acid-base character..)
- Calculation of Spectroscopic Properties

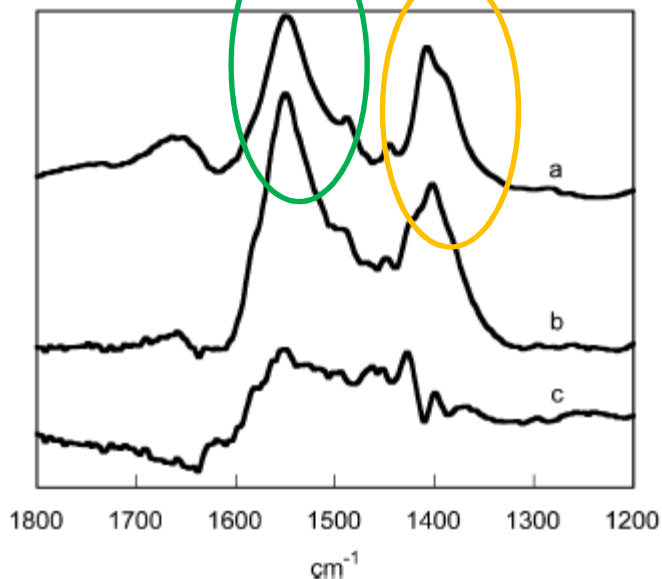
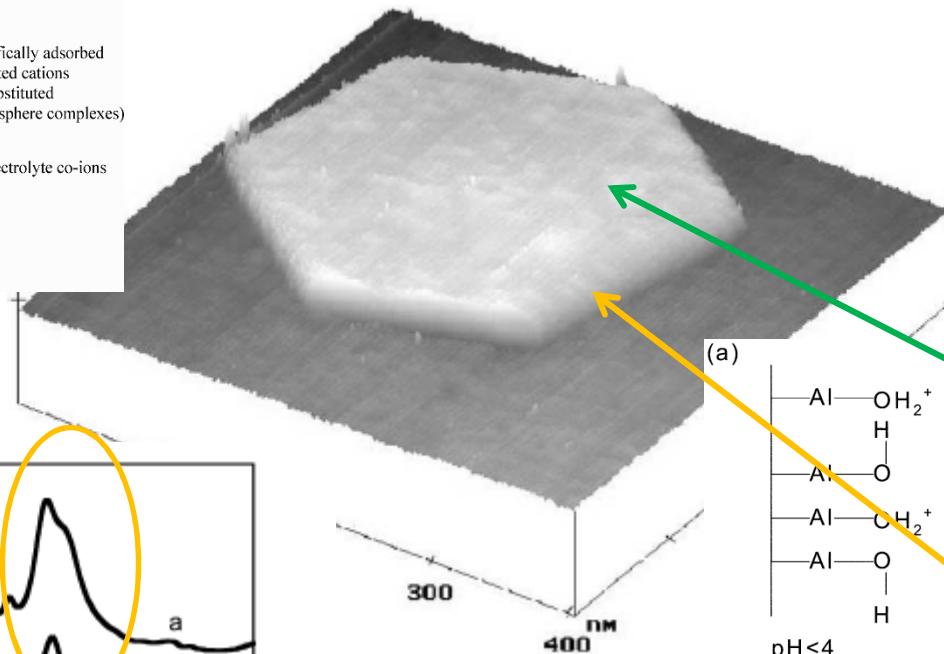
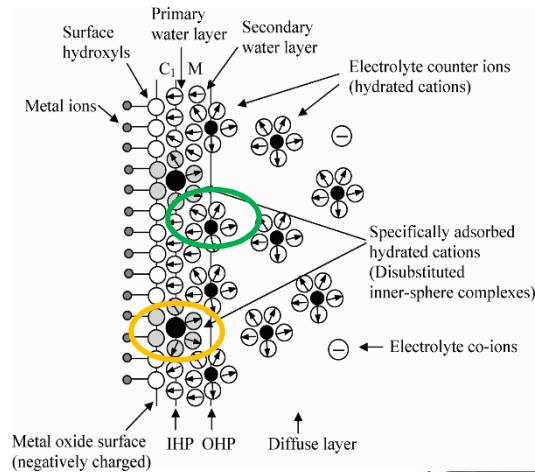
Adsorption of small biomolecules

- Electrostatic does not explain everything
- interpretations of spectroscopic data require more insight on the local interactions

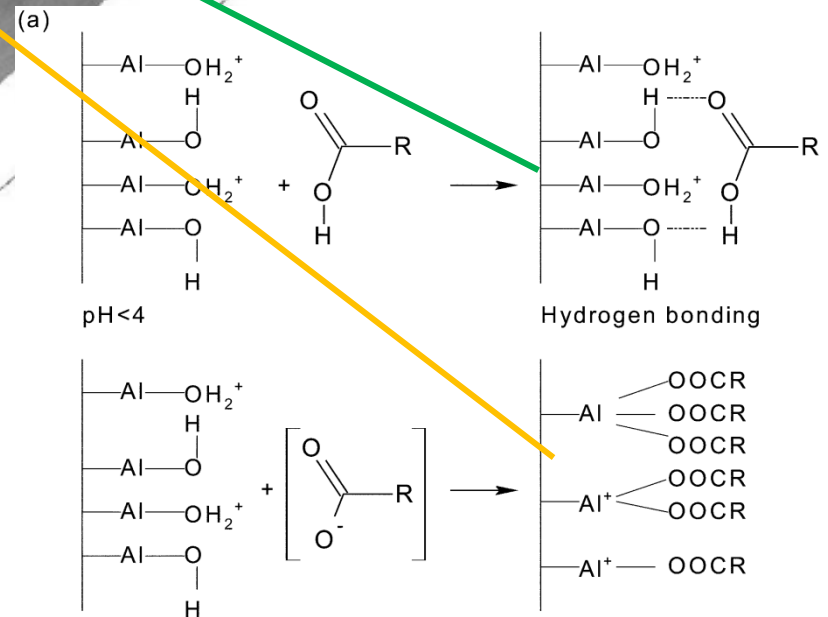
Role of specific surface sites in presence of water

In the recent three years Born Openheimer Molecular Dynamics is developing
for surfaces-water interactions

Experimental evidence of adsorption@specific surface sites

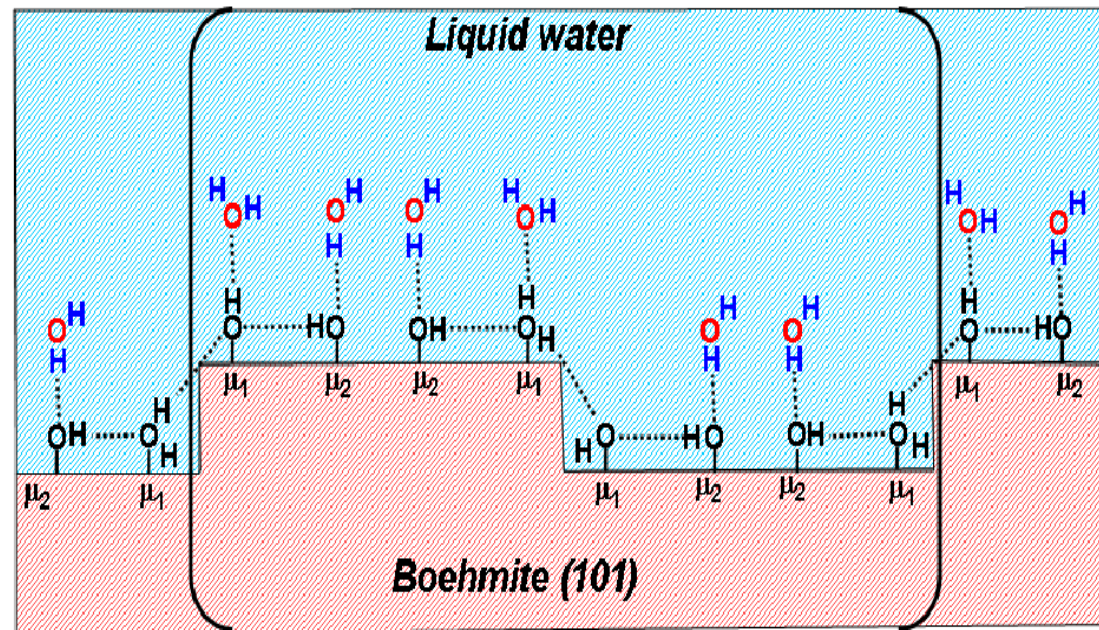
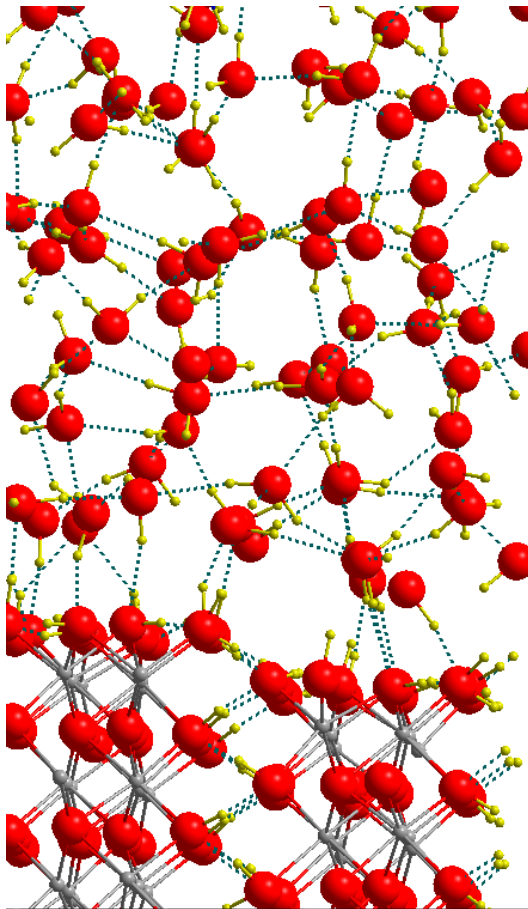


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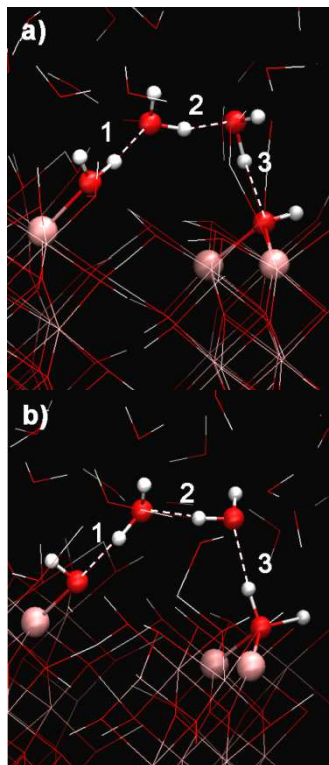
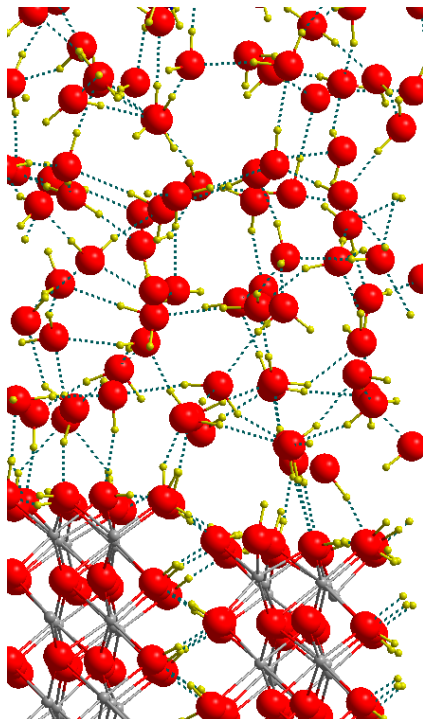
Hydroxylation of boehmite at the aqueous interface & organisation of interfacial water molecules

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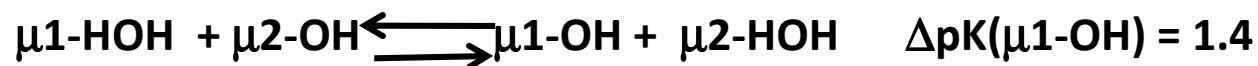
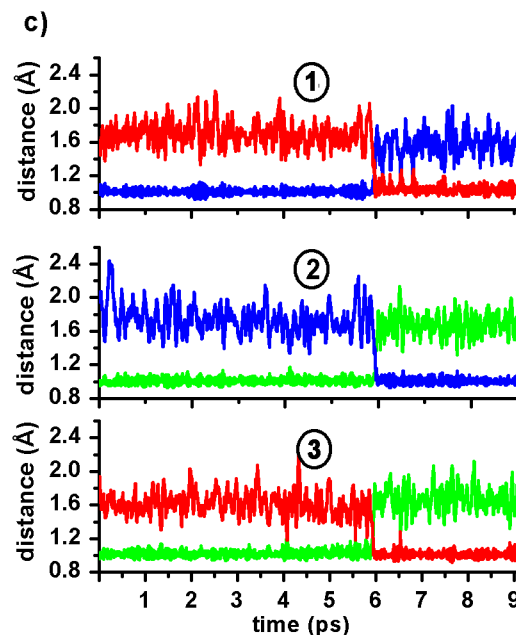


Protonic Conductivity@steps

a)



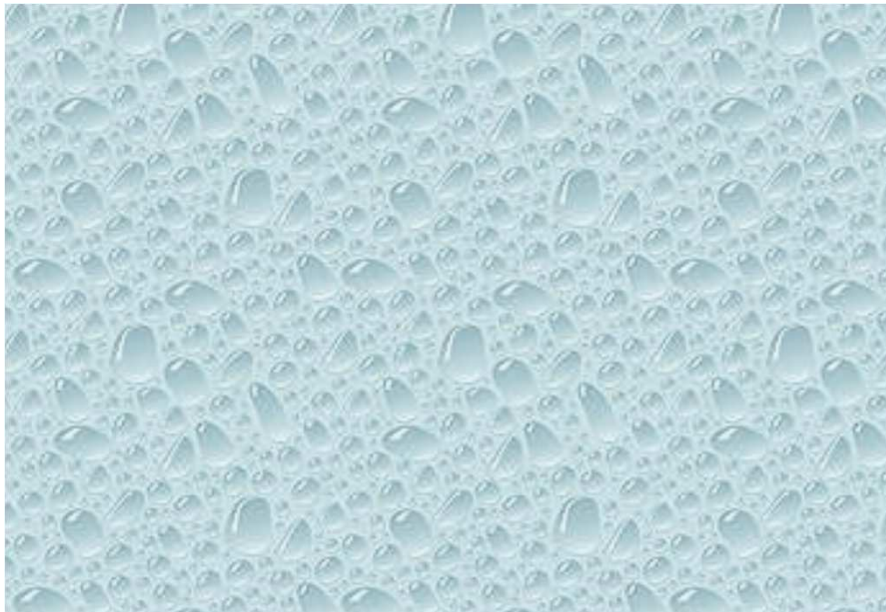
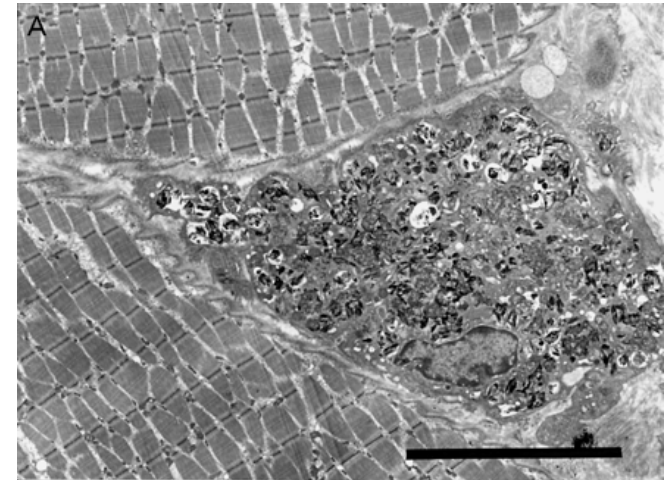
Grotthus mechanism for H exchange



MUSIC predicts 2-3 units pK difference (Jolivet et al 2004)

Boehmite Toxicity ?

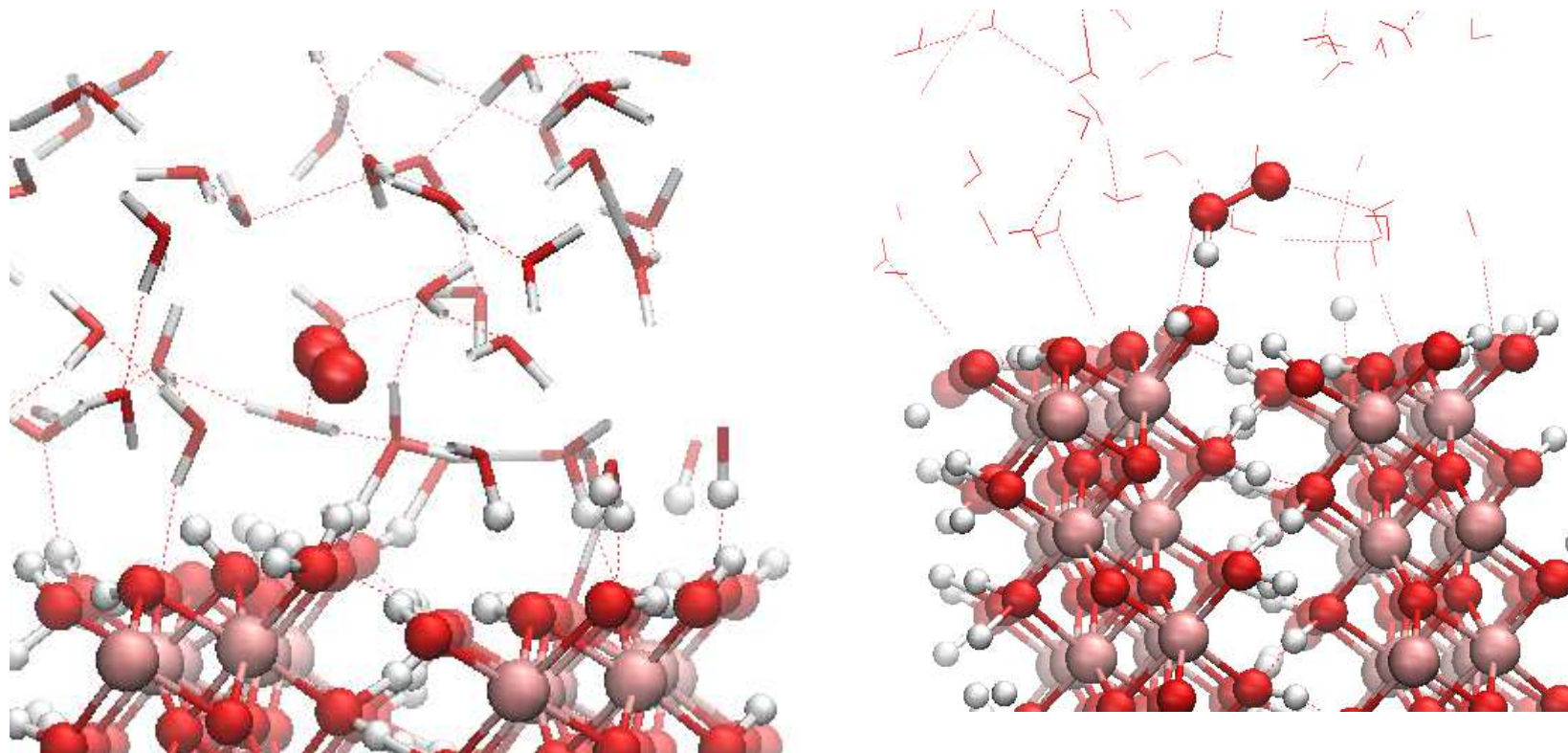
Boehmite used as vaccine adjuvant induces [Macrophagic myofasciitis lesions](#) (Gherardi 1998)



Al^{3+} acts as a pro-oxidant
Stabilisation of Reactive oxygen Species

X. Lopez (Espagne), C. Exley (UK)

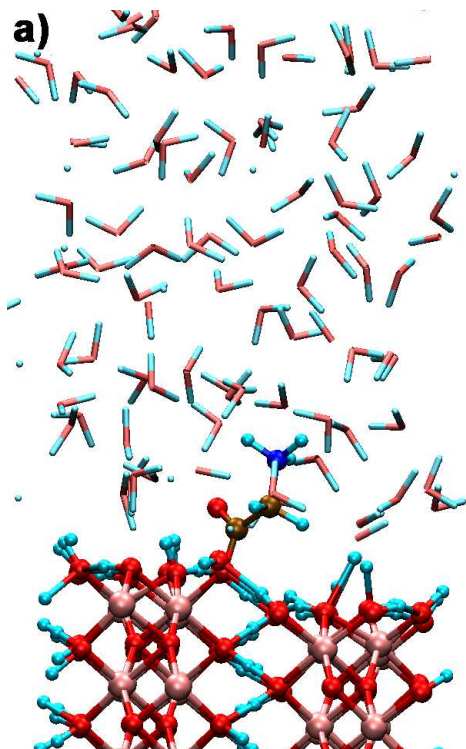
$\text{O}_2^{\bullet-}$ @boehmite and $\text{OOH}^{\bullet}$ @boehmite



-0.7 eV more stable

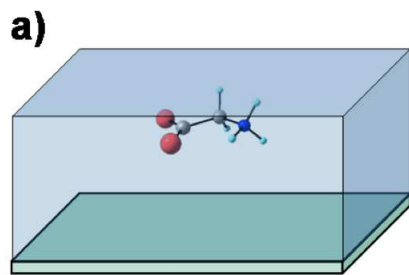
**$\text{OOH}^{\bullet}$ four times more oxidant than $\text{O}_2^{\bullet-}$ -
Active in Oxidative Stress**

DFT-MD of boehmite/water interface and the adsorption of glycine

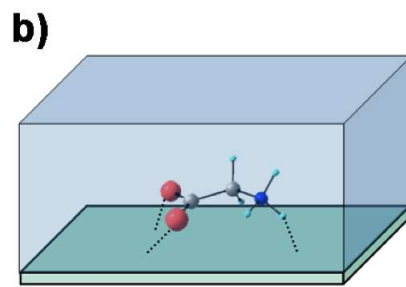


Energetically most favorable
adsorption mode of Glycine
at the aqueous boehmite/water
interface?

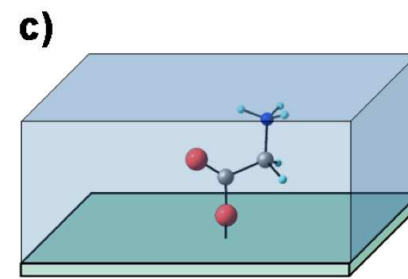
(Motta, Gaigeot, Costa, JPCC 2012
116:23418)



Non interacting

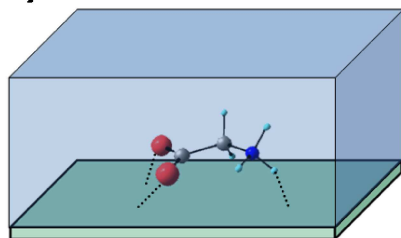


Outer Sphere



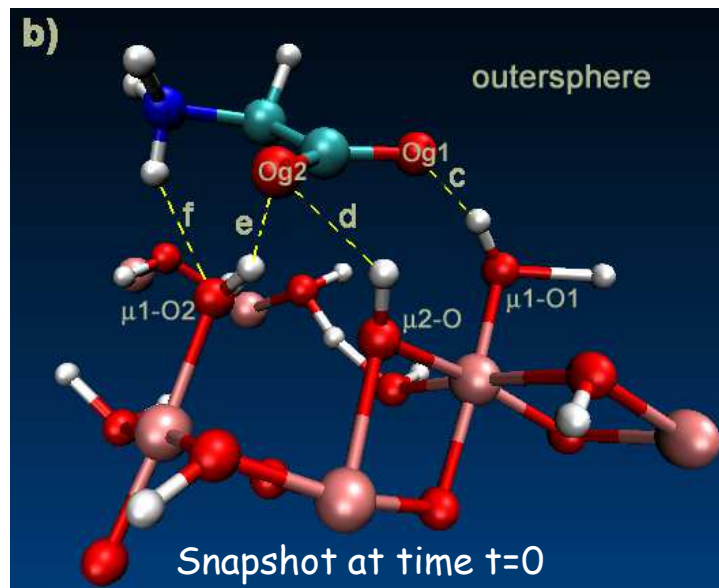
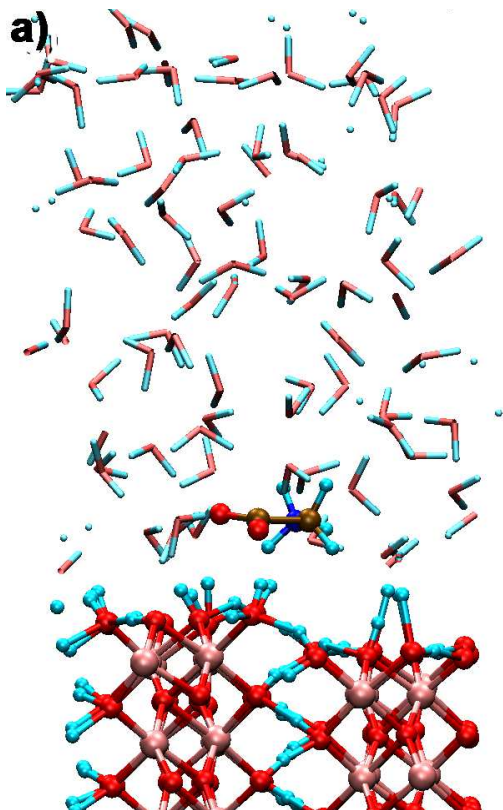
Inner Sphere

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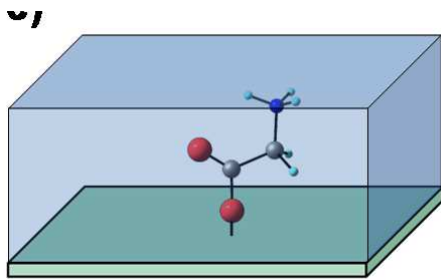


Outer Sphere

Outer Sphere Adsorption Gly-Boehmite

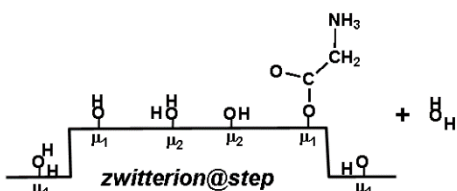
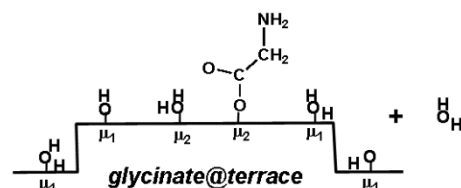
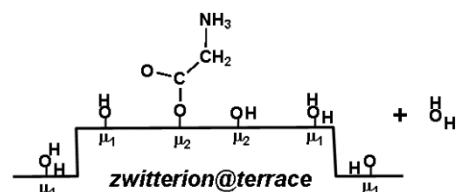
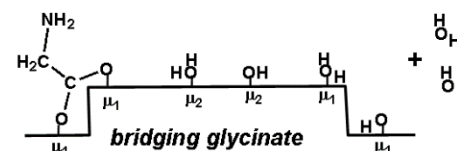
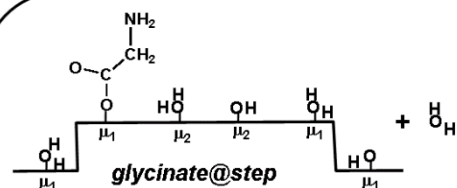
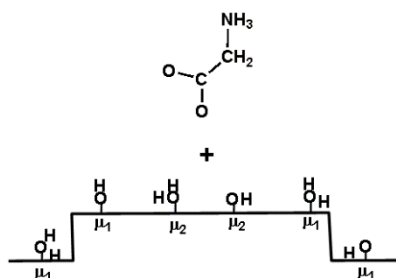


$\langle \Delta E^{KS} \rangle = -20.5 \text{ kJ/mol}$
wrt to Gly immersed in bulk water



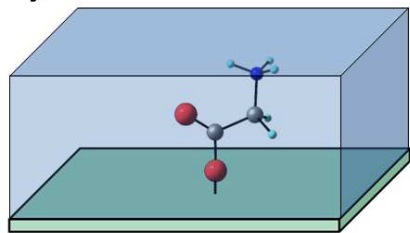
Inner Sphere

Several condensation reactions of Glycine COO^- termini with the different Al surface sites

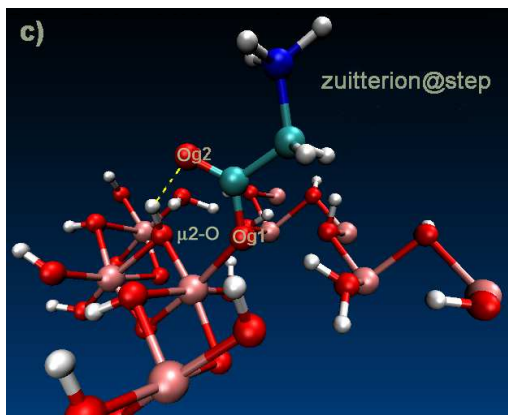
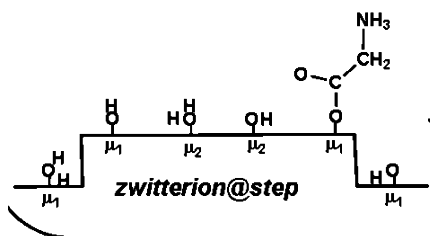


DFT-MD on all 4 possibilities

c)

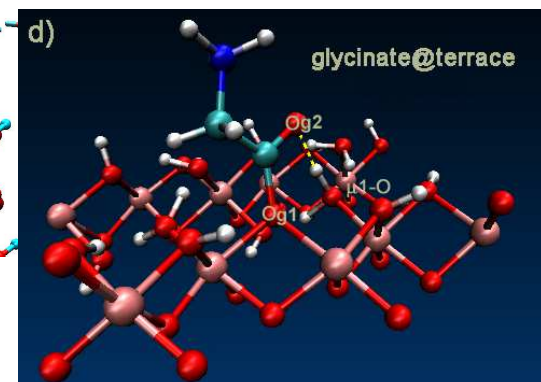
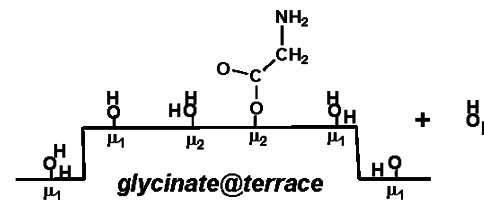
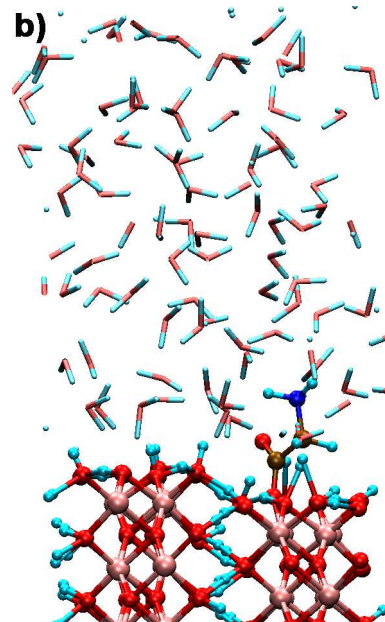
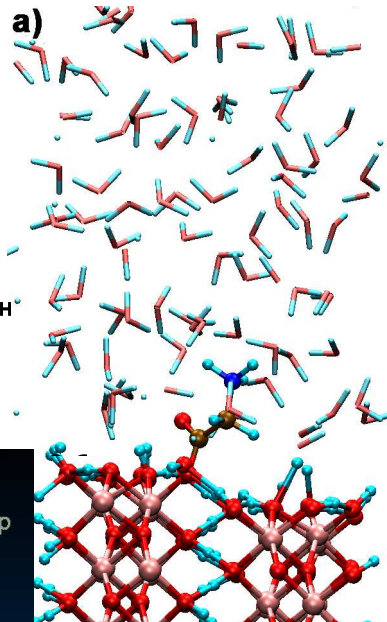


Inner Sphere



$$\langle \Delta E^{KS} \rangle = -113.6 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

Two most stable inner-sphere structures



$$\langle \Delta E^{KS} \rangle = -161.3 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

The most stable conformation is found when the surface charge is maintained:
 an anion substitutes an OH group
 a neutral group substitutes a HOH

Summary

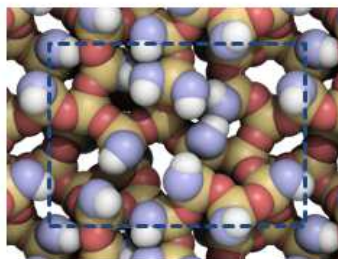
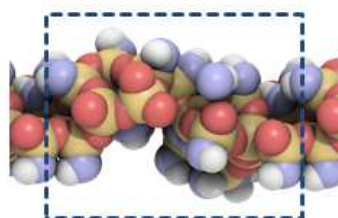
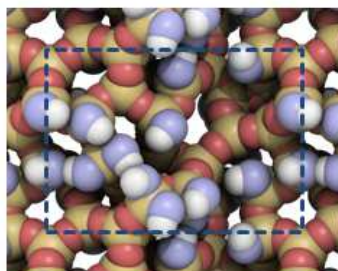
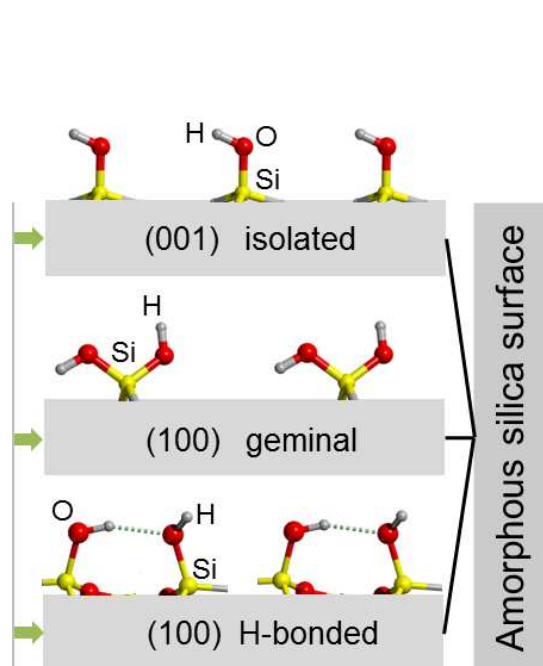
For a small molecule on a simple surface, several adsorption configurations have to be considered and adsorption energies are not simply predictable

=> A high level of theory is required

Inner adsorption is much more stable than Outer sphere adsorption
@step and @terrace

At step, an adsorbed molecule might be oxidized by OOH°

Amorphous Silica: A representative ab initio Model

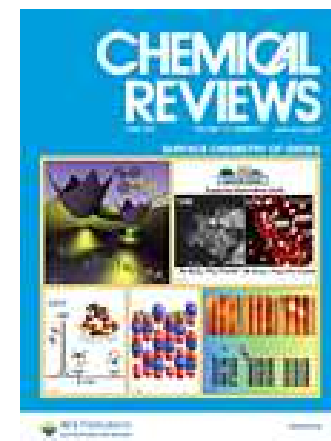


SiOH 5.8/nm²
experimental estimates on a
hydroxylated surface (4-5 OH/nm²).

On the top surface, 23% silanols are
geminal ones, in good agreement with
experimental values.

35% of the silanols are involved in H
bonds.

F. Tielens, C. Gervais, F. Mauri, J-F Lambert, D Costa Chem Mat., 20, 3336 (2008)



Rimola et al., 113, 4216, 2013

Combined NMR Experiments and DFT-D

DFT-D calculations to help in interpreting experimental NMR data.

glycine on isolated, vicinal, geminal silanols.

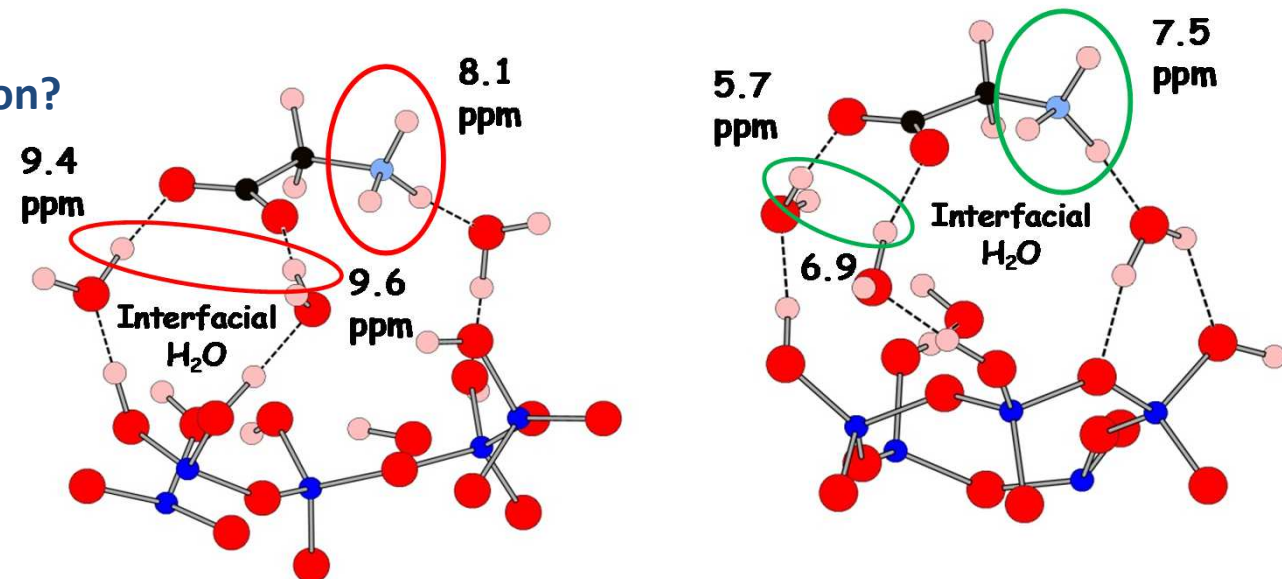
Calculated NMR shifts => vicinal silanols, with water coadsorbed.

Strength of Adsorption @ isolated < vicinal < geminal nest

Water co-adsorption is favored.

Role of surface sites ?

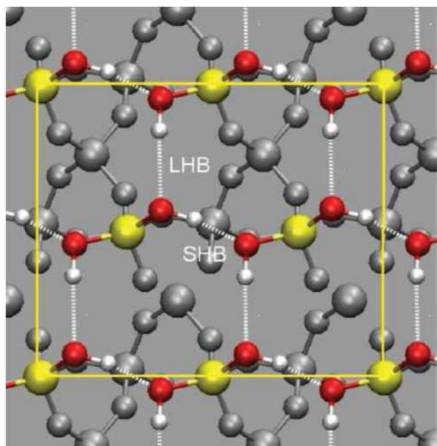
Role of Water in adsorption?



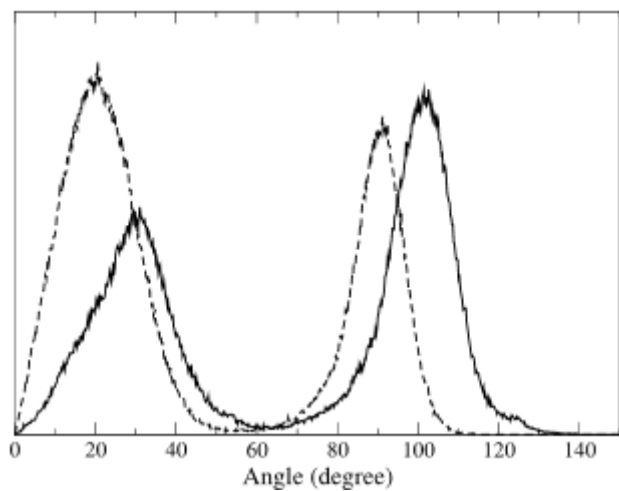
Folliet et al, JPC C **117**:4104 (2013)

Silanols on Quartz (0001)

OH orientation in vacuum

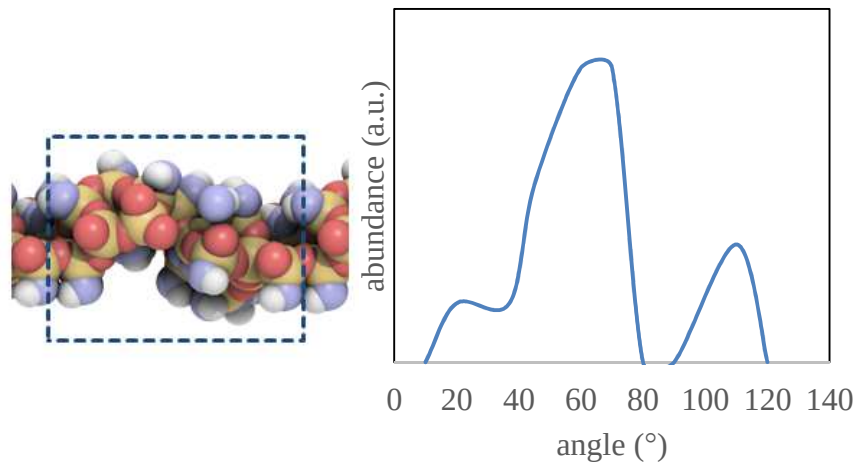


OH orientation in water

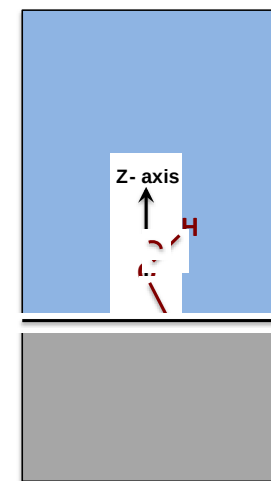
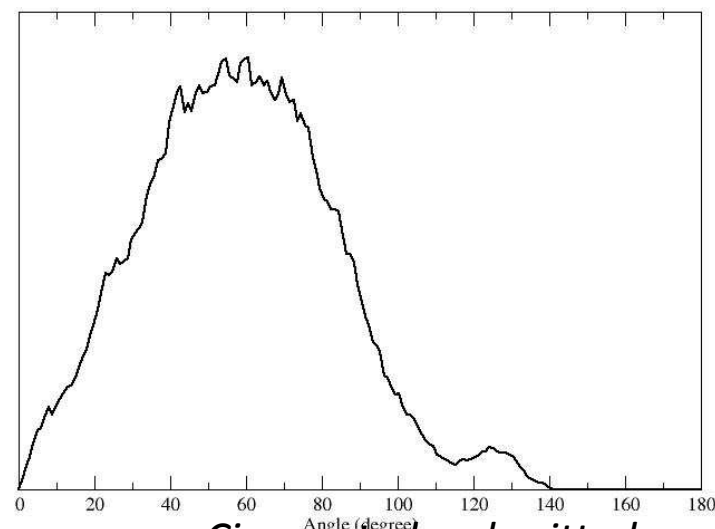


Silanols on amorphous Silica

OH orientation in vacuum



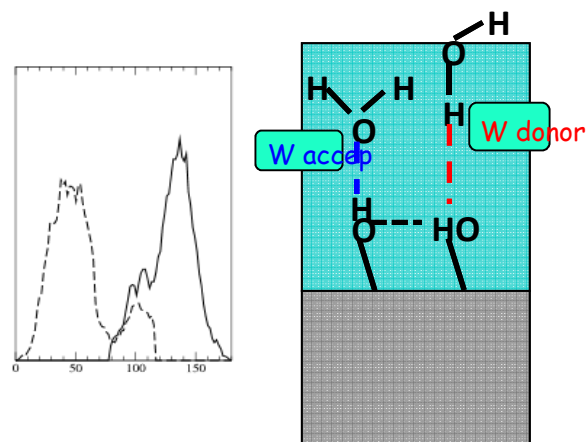
OH orientation in water



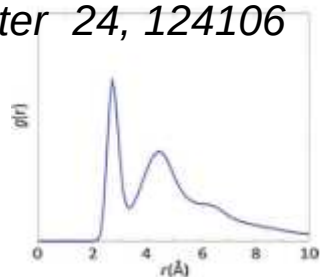
Cimas et al, submitted

Interfacial Water layer

@Quartz

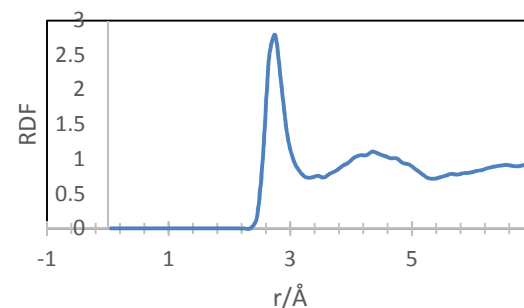
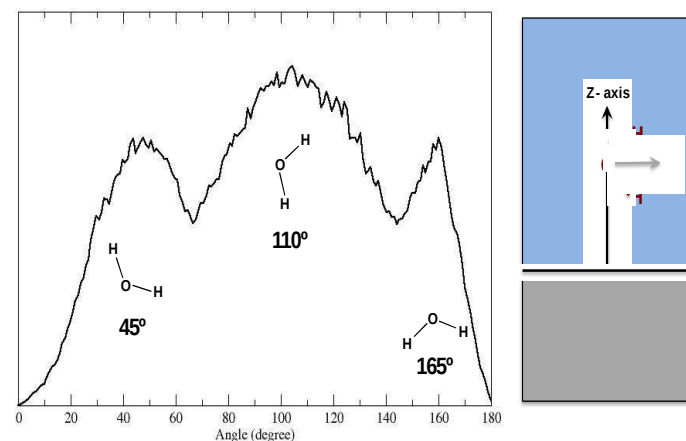


Gaigeot M-P. et al, *J. Phys. Cond Matter* 24, 124106 2012



Musso et al. *Phys Chem Chem Phys* 14 10507, 2012

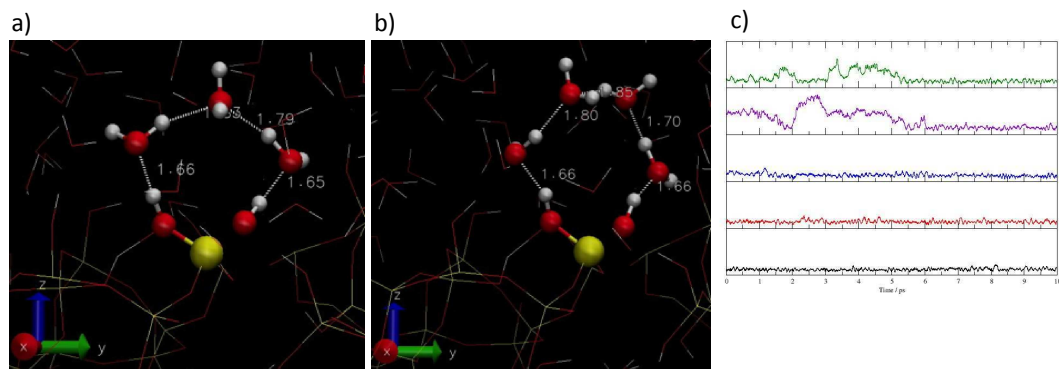
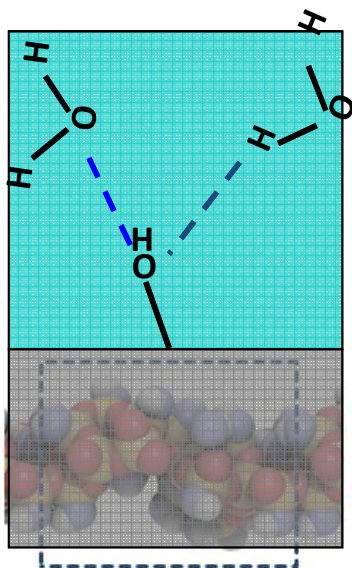
@amorphous silica



No structured interfacial water layers

Isolated vs Geminal Silanols @amorphous silica

Ring formed during > 50% of the trajectory or more



Ring Opening → Adsorption

Summary

- Amorphous Silica exhibits a picture dramatically different from 0001 quartz
- In average water is not organized @amorphous silica
- Appearance of a local organisation in a global disorder
- Water Cycles are formed at geminals, which may allow insertion of an adsorbate

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