

Hydrogen-bond cooperativity, vibrational coupling, and dependence of helix stability on changes in amino acid sequence in small  $3_{10}$ -helical peptides. A density functional theory study.

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Five pentapeptides, GGGGG, GAGGG, GVGGG, GLGGG, and GIGGG, have been completely optimized in the  $3_{10}$ -helical and open  $\beta$ -strand conformations at the B3LYP/D95\*\* level. The energies of the helices relative to the  $\beta$ -strands vary from  $-2.1$  to  $-3.6$  kcal and depend on the amino acid residue sequence. The energies of substituting A, V, L, or I for G in the second position are also presented. Vibrational analyses were performed on the optimized structures. Vibrational coupling through the individual H-bond chains of the helices is confirmed to be stronger than that through space or through the covalent bonds. The cooperative interactions of the H-bonds are evident from both the structures and the coupling of the amide I, amide II, and N-H vibrations.

Słowa kluczowe

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