

# Polimorphism of R-encenicline hydrochloride:

## Access to the highest number of structurally characterized polymorphs using desolvation of various solvates

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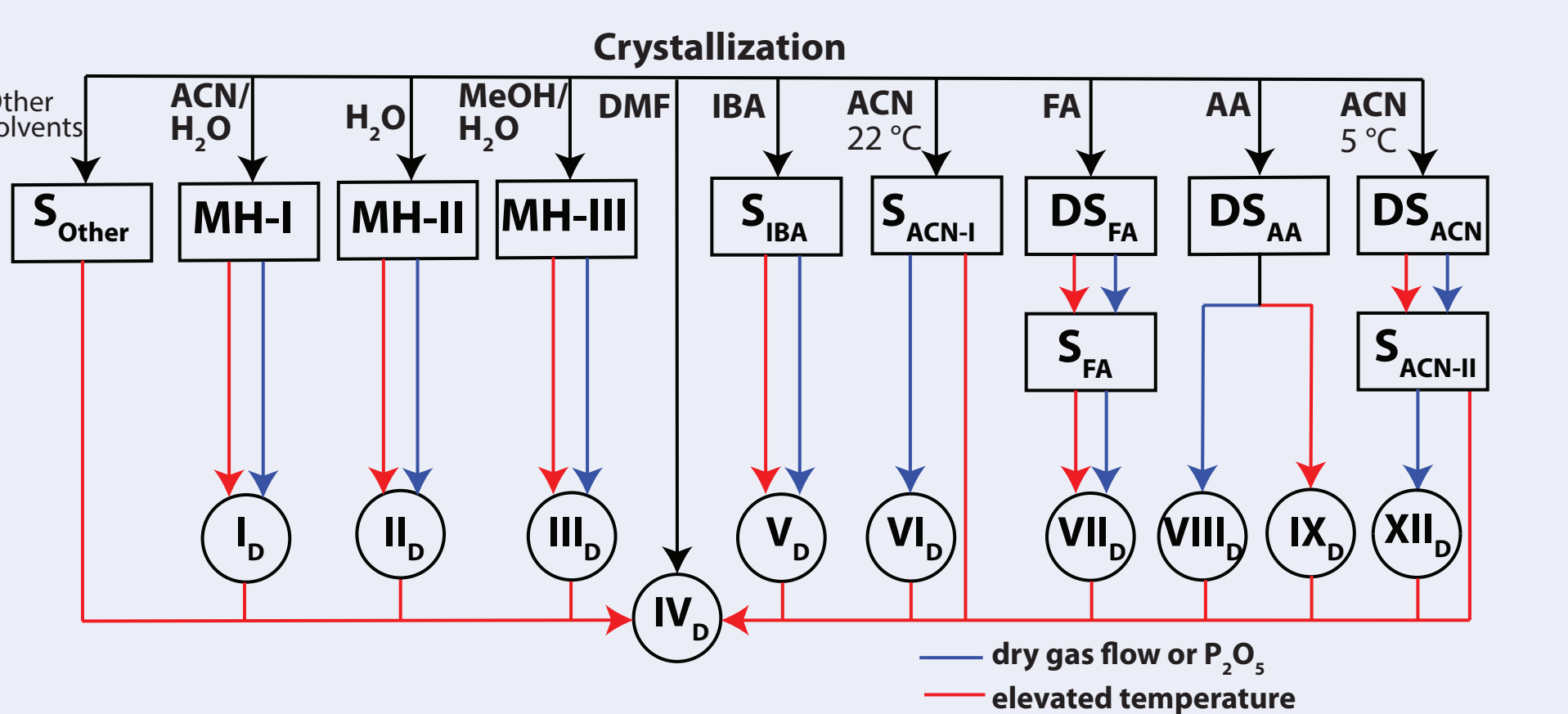
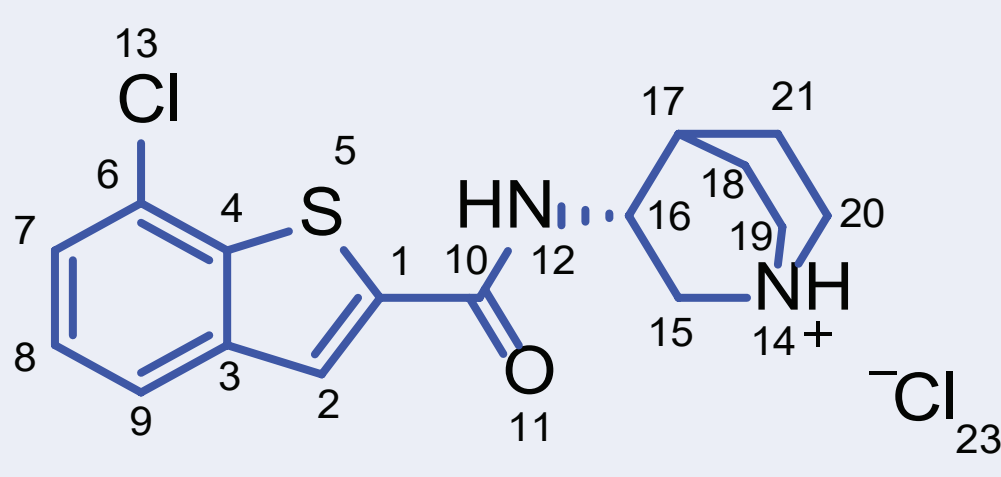
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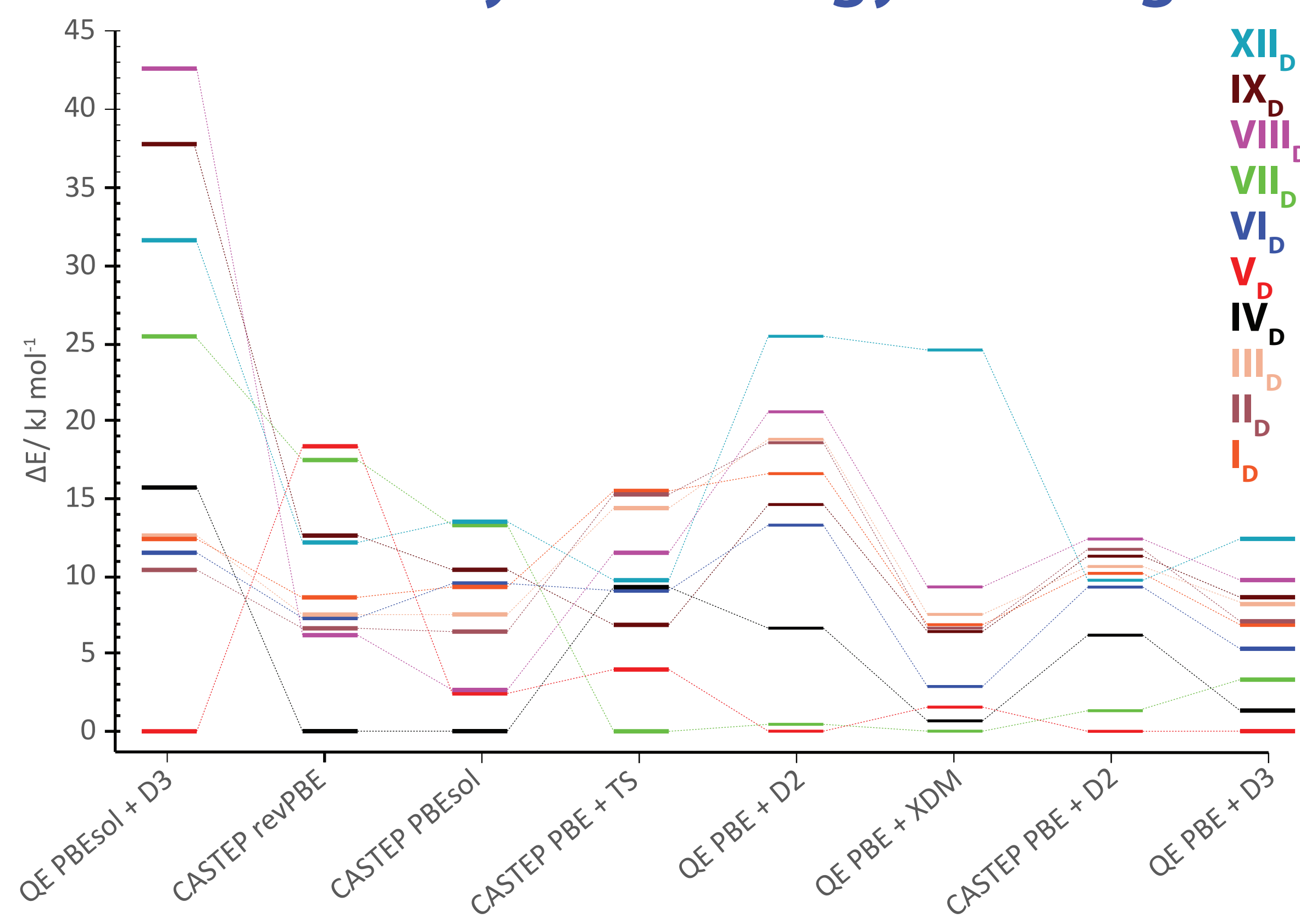


### Introduction

In a study of the solid form landscape of R- encenicline hydrochloride, it was found that this compound forms at least 30 solvates and 12 neat polymorphs and presents the first published example of polymorphism with a record breaking 10 solvated crystal structures. All thermodynamically metastable polymorphs can be accessed only through desolvation of various hydrates/solvates.



### Stability and energy ranking



In slurry bridging experiments under ambient conditions in n-heptane, all polymorphs converted to form **IV<sub>D</sub>**

According to the heat of transition rule **V<sub>D</sub>** and **IV<sub>D</sub>** have an enantiotropic thermodynamic relationship

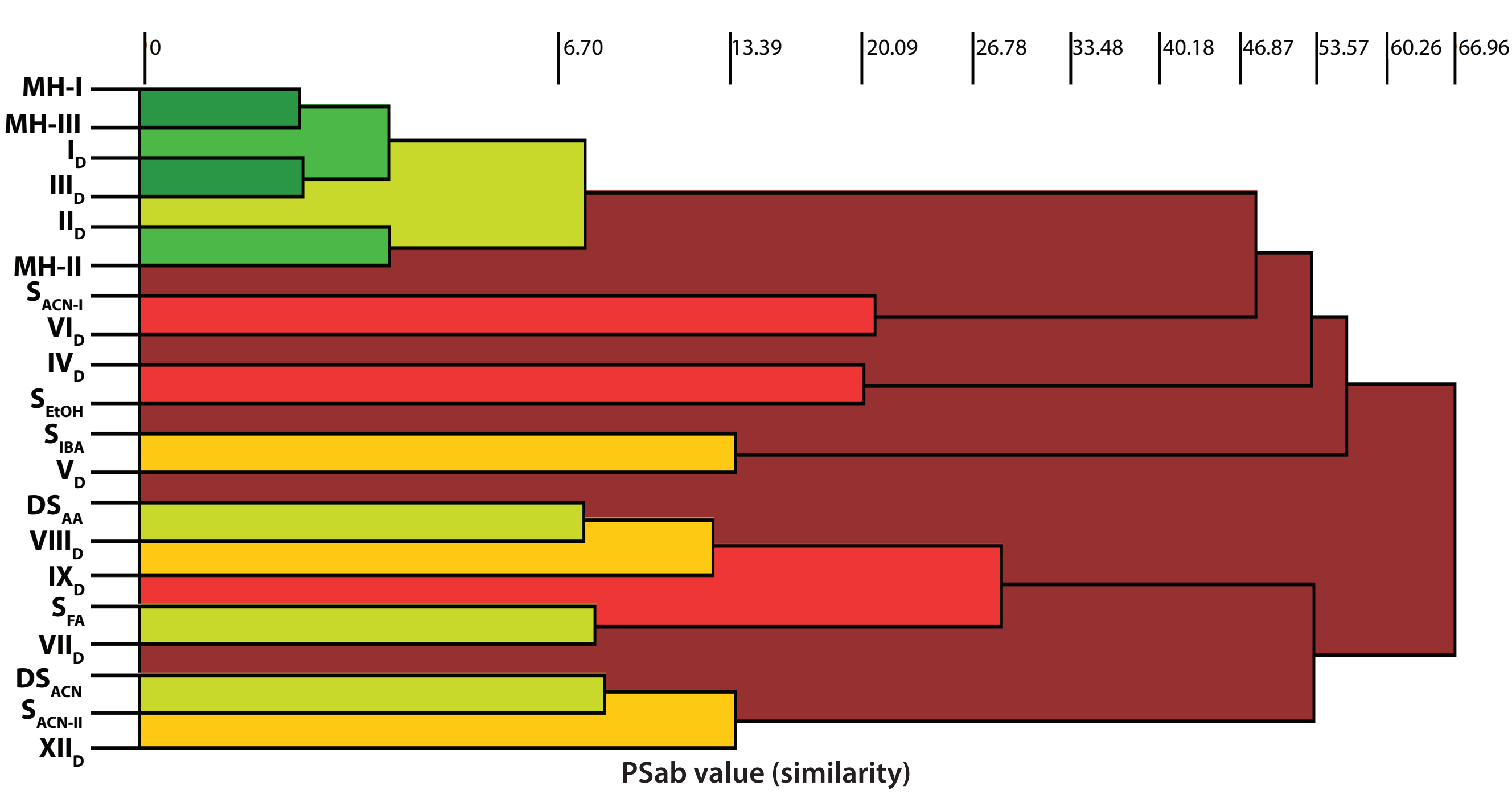
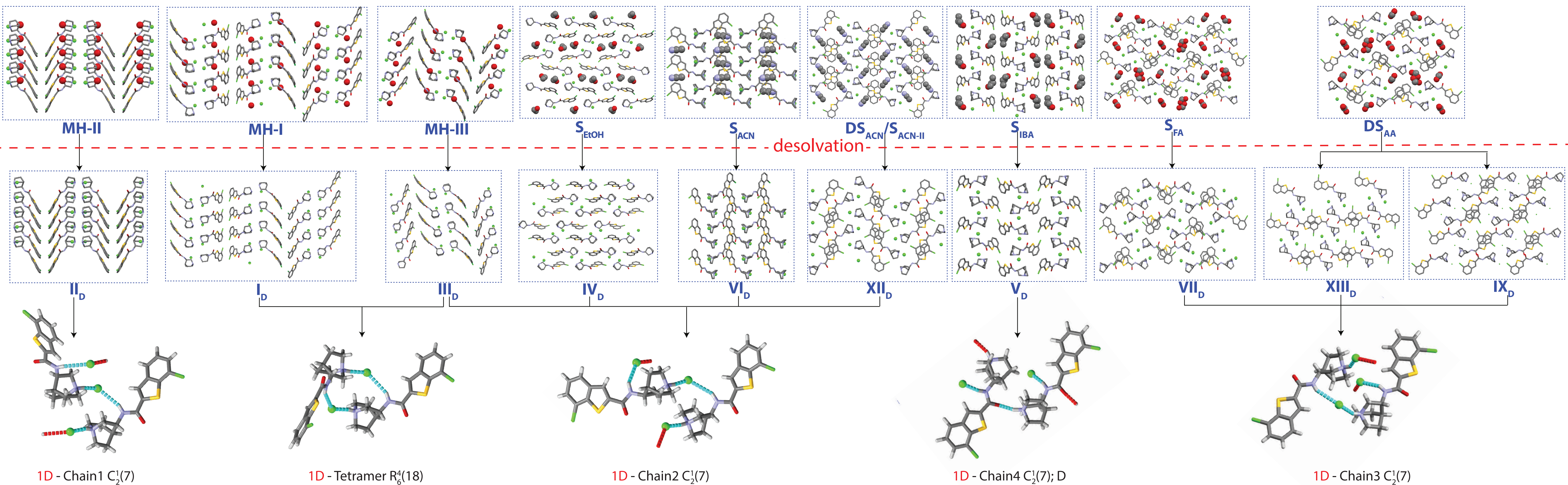
Polymorph **IV<sub>D</sub>** exhibits the highest melting point ( $286 \pm 1$  °C) and heat of fusion  $21 \pm 2$  kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>, while all the other polymorphs convert to form **IV<sub>D</sub>** during the heating

Overall, the PBE +D3 computational approach yields the most reliable energy ranking and all ten polymorphs are located within the range of 12.2 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>

Energy rankings for fully optimized structures using different pseudopotentials and/ or dispersion corrections

### Crystal packing similarity

- hydrate/solvate formation -



Packing similarity dendrogram

The space groups of the polymorphs are the same as those of the corresponding precursor solvates, and even the lattice parameters in most of the solvate-desolvate pairs are similar.

The driving force for the formation of the analyzed solvates mainly seems to be the incorporation of solvent molecules to reduce the void space

In the desolvation process the characteristic hydrogen bond network and packing present in the solvates are always maintained

In monohydrates water compensates for the unsatisfied hydrogen bond acceptors present in the dehydrates and forms more complex hydrogen bonding networks

From the packing similarity dendrogram, it can be identified that in all cases the closest packing characteristics are between precursor solvates and their respective desolvated phases

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