

Supporting Information for

**Understanding the Polypharmacological Profiles of Triple Reuptake Inhibitors  
by Molecular Simulation**

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## SI RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### Structural Evaluation of hDAT, hNET and hSERT

The 3D structure modeled of hDAT and hNET using the crystallographic structure of escitalopram bound to hSERT (PDB code: 5I71<sup>1</sup>). The overall sequence identity between hSERT and the modeled structure (hDAT and hNET) are 52.30 % and 53.60 % (**Figure S1**), respectively. The detailed evaluation of models in **Figure S2** to **S4** shows the reliability of the modified hSERT, the modeled hDAT and hNET can be used for investigating the binding of NS2359, SEP225289 and EB1020 to their targets.

### Binding Mode of the Nine Complexes Derived from MD simulation

#### *hDAT Bound Complexes*

The binding modes of EB1020, SEP225289 and NS2359 in hDAT were displayed in **Figure 4A** to **4C**. As shown, the binding site is composed of residues F76, A77, D79, S149, V152, G153, Y156, F320, S321, G323, F326, V328, S422, A423, G426, M427 and I484. Hydrophobic interactions and hydrogen bond interactions are the principal driving force for the formation of the complexes. For SEP225289-bound hDAT complex, the positively charged nitrogen moiety of the SEP225289 established hydrogen bond interaction with the side chains of residues D79 and the backbone oxygen atoms of S321 and F320 in hDAT. The 3,4-dichlorophenyl of SEP225289 is mainly flanked by TM3 and TM8 (S149, V152, G153, Y156, A423, G426 and M427) constituting hydrophobic interactions within a hydrophobic binding pocket, particularly involves the strong hydrophobic interaction between aromatic residues F76, Y156, F320 and F326, as illustrated in **Figure 4A**. For NS2359-bound hDAT complex, the positively charged nitrogen moiety of the NS2359 engaged in hydrogen bond interaction with the side chains of residues D79 and Y156. The tropane moiety and methoxymethyl group of NS2359 kept in close proximity to TM1 (D79 and F76) and TM6 (F320, S321, G323, F326 and V328) region, which are involved in hydrophobic interactions. The 3,4-dichlorophenyl group of the NS2359 extending into the protein TM3 and TM8 regions composed of residues S149, V152, Y156, S422, A423, G426 and M427 that can interact and make hydrophobic interaction with ligand (**Figure 4B**). For EB1020-bound hDAT complex, the charged residue D79 engaged in hydrogen bond with the charged nitrogen moiety of the EB1020. Meanwhile, the protonated nitrogen of the EB1020 interacts simultaneously with the carbonyl group and side chains of residue F76 formed hydrogen bond interaction and cation- $\pi$  interaction, respectively(**Figure 4C**). The naphthyl group of EB1020 makes interactions with the mainly hydrophobic residues (V152, Y156, A423 and M427) of the TM3

and TM8 in hDAT.

### ***hNET Bound Complexes***

**Figure 4D to 4F** shown that the binding pocket of hNET was formed by residues F72, A73, D75, A145, V148, Y152, F317, S318, L319, G320, F323, V325, S419, S420, G423, M424 and V449. Hydrophobic interactions and hydrogen bond interactions are primarily responsible for the binding of hNET bound complexes. For SEP225289-bound hNET complex, the protonated nitrogen of SEP225289 engaged in two hydrogen bonds interaction with charged residue D75 and oxygen of F317. The hydrophobic site in the TM3 and TM8 domains (A145, V148, G149, Y152, S419, S420, G423 and M424) established hydrophobic interactions with the 3,4-dichlorophenyl group of SEP225289. In addition, the side chains of residue Y152 participate in face-to-face  $\pi$ -stacking interaction with SEP225289 (**Figure 4D**). For NS2359-bound hNET complex system, the tropane moiety of the ligand occupied the regions of TM1 and TM6 and the protonated nitrogen of NS2359 engaged in three hydrogen bonds interaction with charged residue D75, the side chains of residue Y152 and backbone carbonyl oxygen of residue S318, respectively. (**Figure 4E**). The 3,4-dichlorophenyl group of ligand close to the residues (V148, G149, S420, G423, S419 and Y152) and formed hydrophobic interactions in hNET. For EB1020-bound hNET complex, the positively charged nitrogen moiety of the EB120 established three hydrogen bonds interactions with the conserved residues D75, the backbone carbonyl oxygen of residue S318 and F72 in hNET. The naphthyl group of EB1020 make hydrophobic interactions with the surrounding residues (V148, G423, Y152, S420 and S419) of TM3 and TM8 domains (**Figure 4F**).

### ***hSERT Bound Complexes***

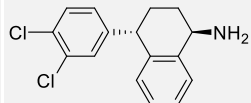
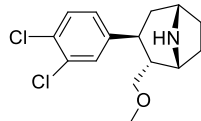
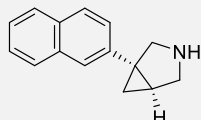
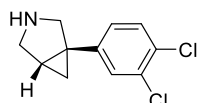
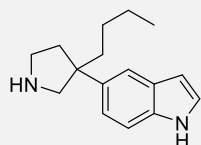
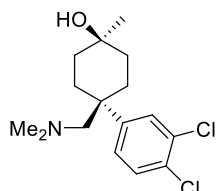
The active site of hSERT consists of residues (Y95, A96, D98, A169, I172, A173, Y176, F335, S336, L337, G338, F341, V343, S438, T439, G442 and L443) that formed hydrophobic interactions and hydrogen bond interactions with EB1020, SEP225289 and NS2359 binding site (**Figure 4G to 4I**). For SEP225289-bound hSERT complex system, three hydrogen bonds link the protonated nitrogen of SEP225289 to the side chains of D98 and backbone carbonyl oxygen of residue (F335 and S336) in the binding pocket. Hydrophobic interactions that formed between the 3, 4-dichlorophenyl group of SEP225289 and residues (I172, L443, A173, T431, G442, Y176 and S438) (**Figure 4G**). For NS2359-bound hSERT complex, the protonated nitrogen of NS2359 and residue D98, residue S438 and backbone carbonyl oxygen Y95 are primarily engaged in three hydrogen bonds interaction (**Figure 4H**). The 3,4-dichlorophenyl group of the NS2359 extending into the protein TM3 and TM8 regions composed of residues A169, I172, A173, L443, Y176, T431 and G442 that can interact and

participate in hydrophobic interaction with NS2359. For EB1020-bound hSERT complex, the protonated nitrogen of EB1020 make a favorable hydrogen bond interaction with residue D98 and backbone carbonyl oxygen of residue Y95. Meanwhile, the protonated nitrogen of the EB1020 formed additional face-to-face  $\pi$ -stacking interaction with the side chains of residue D98. The naphthyl group of EB1020 is involved in hydrophobic interactions to the residues I172, A173, L443, Y176 and T439 in hSERT (**Figure 4I**).

### **Binding Mode of Three Substrates Complex Derived from Docking Model**

For DA-hDAT complex, the positively charged nitrogen moiety of the DA established two hydrogen bonds interaction with the side chains of residues D79 and S422. Residues S149, Y156, M427, S429 and F326 form hydrophobic interactions with DA (**Figure S6A**). For NE-hNET complex, the protonated nitrogen of NE engaged in three hydrogen bonds interaction with charged residue A73, D75 and S419. The hydrophobic site in the hNET (F72, V148, Y152, S419, S420 and M424) established hydrophobic interactions with NE (**Figure S6B**). For 5-HT-hSERT complex, one hydrogen bond link the protonated nitrogen of 5-HT to the side chains of D98, hydrophobic interactions that formed between the 5-HT and residues I172, L443, A173, T431, Y176 and S438 (**Figure S6C**).

**Table S1.** List of triple reuptake inhibitors (TRIs) entered into clinical trials <sup>2</sup>

Triple reuptake inhibitors	Structures	Highest stage of development	Diseases	Activities (nM) DAT/NET/SERT
SEP225289 (Dasotraline)		Phase 3	MDD, BED and ADHD	2/4/14
NS2359 (GSK-372475)		Phase 2	MDD, ADHD and cocaine addiction	10/2/10
Centanafadine (EB1020)		Phase 3	MDD and ADHD	38/6/84
Amitifadine (DOV-21947)		Phase 3	MDD	96/23/12
RG-7166		Phase 1	MDD	90/9/16
GSK1360707		Phase 1	MDD	8.0/8.1/9.2

**Table S2.** The per-residue energy of the residues in hDAT contribute to SEP225289, NS2359 and EB1020 binding ( $\Delta G_{\text{per-residue}}$  is in kcal/mol)

Residues	Per-residue energy contribution ( $\Delta G_{\text{per-residue}}$ )		
	hDAT-SEP225289	hDAT-NS2359	hDAT-EB1020
F76	-1.9	-2.47	-3.81
A77	-0.45	-0.70	-0.52
D79	-3.68	-2.99	-3.25
S149	-0.59	-0.92	-0.50
V152	-1.71	-1.72	-1.34
G153	-0.77	-0.49	-0.44
Y156	-2.95	-2.55	-1.22
F320	-1.74	-0.65	-0.73
S321	-1.64	-0.93	-1.19
G323	-0.38	-1.00	-0.73
F326	-2.45	-0.74	-1.27
V328	-0.14	-0.78	-0.18
S422	-1.01	-0.52	-0.80
A423	-1.04	-1.29	-0.65
G426	-1.19	-0.84	-1.21
M427	-0.92	-1.00	-0.61

**Table S3.** The per-residue energy of the residues in hNET contribute to SEP225289, NS2359 and EB1020 binding ( $\Delta G_{\text{per-residue}}$  is in kcal/mol)

Residues	Per-residue energy contribution ( $\Delta G_{\text{per-residue}}$ )		
	hNET-SEP225289	hNET-NS2359	hNET-EB1020
F72	-1.17	-2.65	-4.10
A73	-0.23	-1.00	-1.21
D75	-2.58	-3.08	-3.39
A145	-0.70	-0.51	-0.46
V148	-1.55	-2.24	-1.60
G149	-1.53	-0.60	-0.43
Y152	-3.16	-2.87	-1.97
F317	-2.08	-0.82	-0.05
S318	-0.54	-1.15	-1.40
G320	-0.49	-0.62	-0.81
F323	-0.13	-1.52	-1.21
V325	-0.40	-0.41	-1.01
S419	-0.84	-1.12	-0.50
S420	-1.83	-0.84	-0.64
G423	-1.11	-0.71	-0.77
M424	-0.97	-0.52	-0.29

**Table S4.** The per-residue energy of the residues in hSERT contribute to SEP225289, NS2359 and EB1020 binding ( $\Delta G_{\text{per-residue}}$  is in kcal/mol)

Residues	Per-residue energy contribution ( $\Delta G_{\text{per-residue}}$ )		
	hSERT-SEP225289	hSERT-NS2359	hSERT-EB1020
Y95	-2.14	-2.82	-2.95
A96	-0.71	-0.50	-0.41
D98	-2.89	-1.12	-1.20
A169	-0.47	-0.63	-0.71
I172	-2.47	-2.29	-1.84
A173	-0.51	-0.69	-0.57
Y176	-2.12	-1.21	-1.90
F335	-1.75	-0.42	-0.64
S336	-1.19	-0.39	-0.45
G338	-0.99	-0.68	-0.44
F341	-0.50	-0.96	-1.47
V343	-0.30	-0.55	-0.23
S438	-1.30	-1.27	-0.63
T439	-1.40	-1.14	-1.18
G442	-0.84	-1.38	-1.33
L443	-0.71	-1.05	-0.98



**Table S5.** Fingerprints of molecular interaction including the interaction types between hDAT and three studied TRIs

Residues	Interaction type	EB1020	NS2359	SEP225289
F76	Hydrophobic +H-bond (ligand donor)	1000100		
D79	Hydrophobic +H-bond (ligand donor)	1000100	1000100	1000100
I148		000000	0000000	0000000
S149	Hydrophobic	1000000		
V152	Hydrophobic	1000000		
Y156	Hydrophobic	1000000	1000100	1000000
F320	Hydrophobic	1000000	0000000	1000100
F326	Hydrophobic	1000000	0000000	1000000
V328	Hydrophobic	0000000	1000000	0000000
S422	Hydrophobic	1000000		
A423	Hydrophobic	1000000		
M427	Hydrophobic	1000000		
V430	Hydrophobic	1000000		
A480	Hydrophobic	0000000	0000000	1000000
I484	Hydrophobic	0000000	1000000	0000000

**Table S6.** Fingerprints of molecular interaction including the interaction types between hNET and three studied TRIs

Residues	Interaction type	EB1020	NS2359	SEP225289
F72	Hydrophobic +H-bond (ligand donor)	1000100		
A73		0000100	1000000	0000000
D75	Hydrophobic +H-bond (ligand donor)	1000100	1000100	0000100
I144		0000000	1000000	0000000
A145	Hydrophobic	1000000		
V148	Hydrophobic	1000000		
Y152		1000000	1000100	1100100
F316		0000000	1000000	0000000
F317		0000000	1000000	1000100
S318		0000100	1000000	0000000
F323		0000000	1000000	0000000
V325	Hydrophobic	1000000		
S419		1000000	1000000	1000100
S429	Hydrophobic	1000000		
M424	Hydrophobic	1000000	1000000	0000000
I481		0000000	0000000	1000000

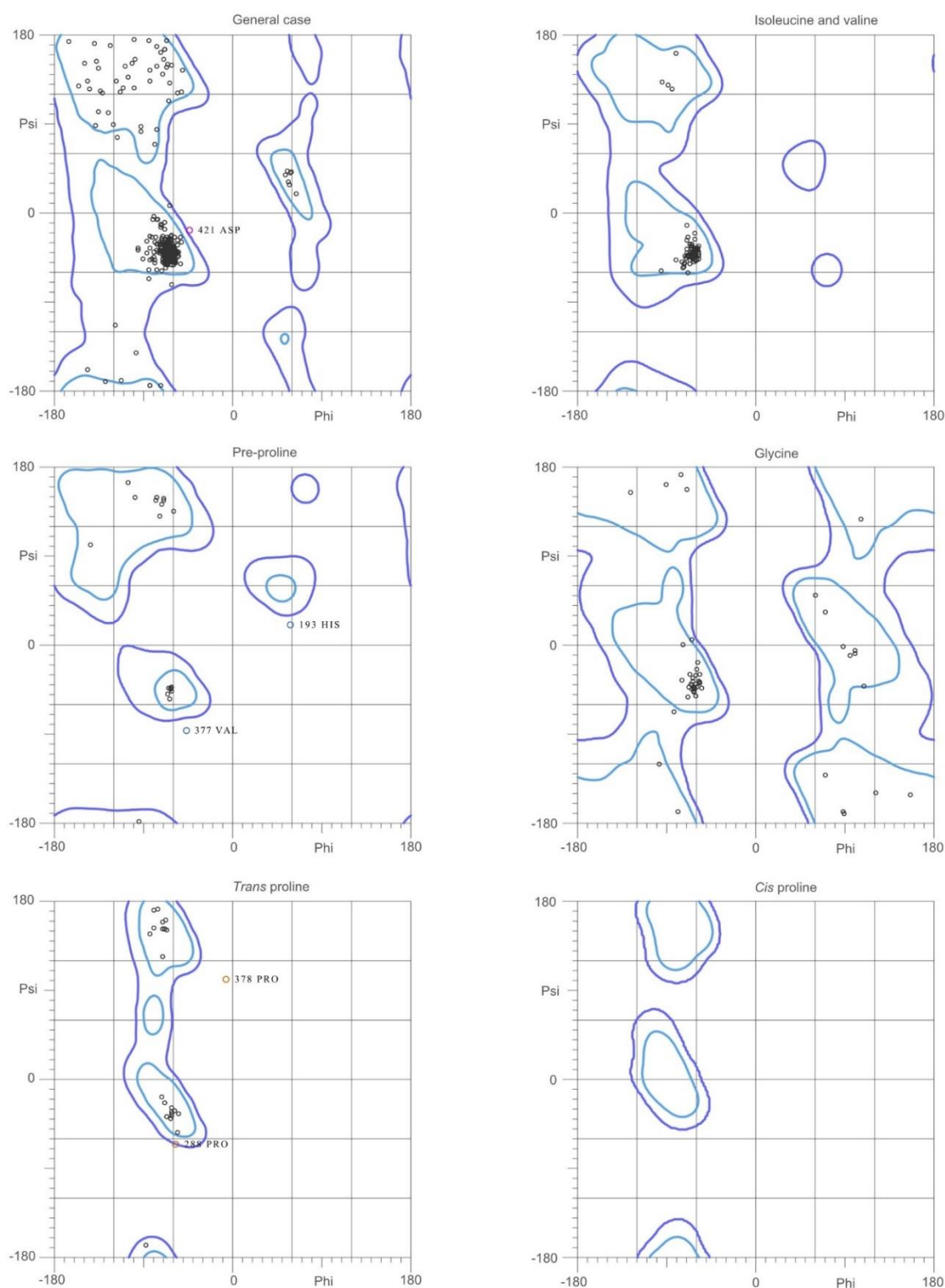
**Table S7.** Fingerprints of molecular interaction including the interaction types between hSERT and three studied TRIs

Residues	Interaction type	EB1020	SEP225289	NS2359
Y95	Hydrophobic	10000000		
A96		0000100	0000000	0000000
D98	Hydrophobic +H-bond (ligand donor)	1000100	0000100	1000100
A169	Hydrophobic	1000000		
I172	Hydrophobic	1000000		
A173	Hydrophobic	1000000		
Y176		1000000	10000000	1000100
F335		1000100	0000100	10000000
S336	H-bond (ligand donor)	0000100	0000100	0000000
L337		0000000	0000100	0000000
F341	Hydrophobic	10000000		
V343	Hydrophobic	10000000		
S438		0000000	10000000	1000100
T439	Hydrophobic	10000000	10000000	0000000
L443	Hydrophobic	10000000		
V446	Hydrophobic	10000000		
V501	Hydrophobic	0000000	10000000	10000000

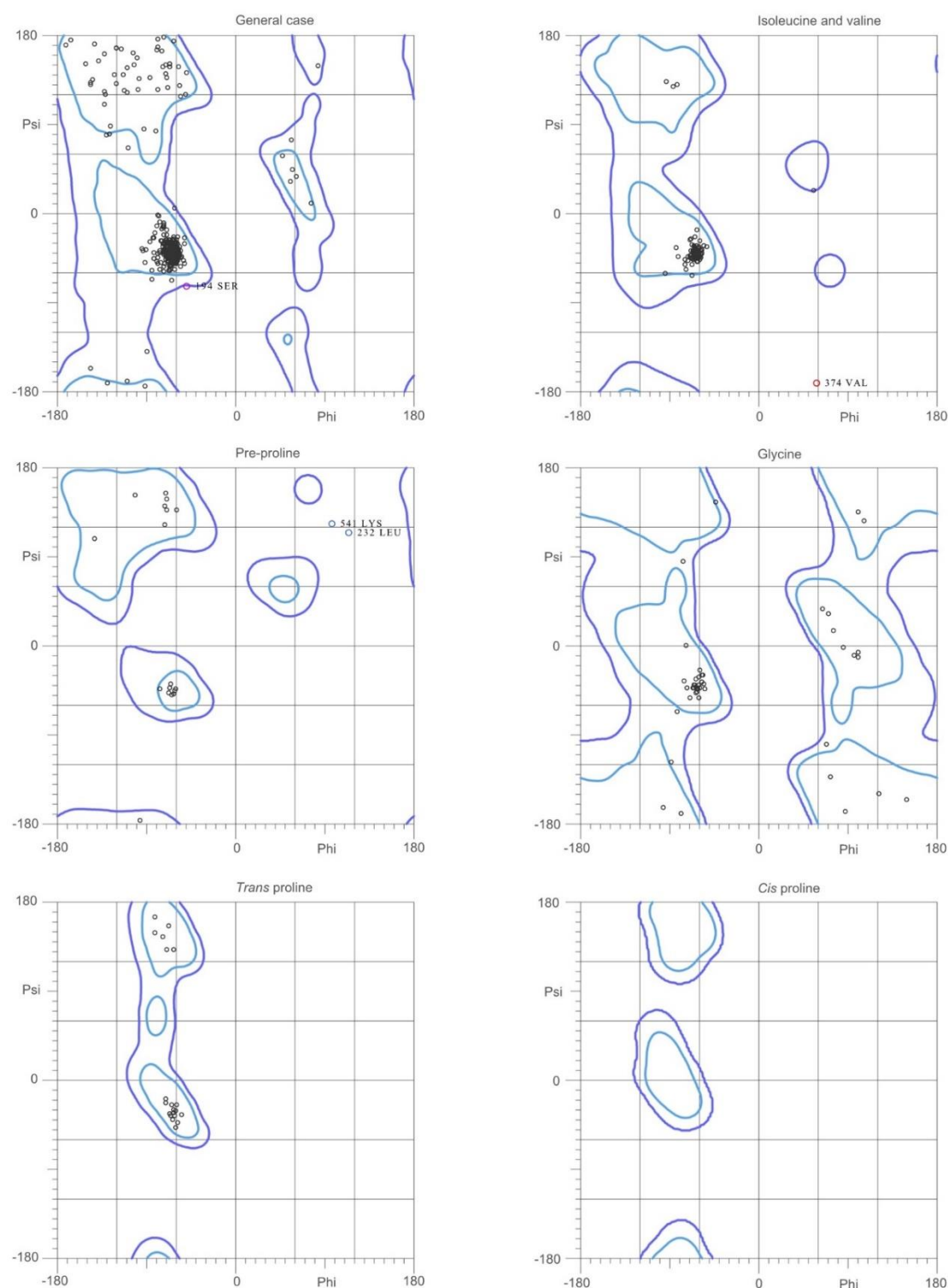
**Table S8.** Summary of nine complexes for MD simulations.

Complexes	Na <sup>+</sup> ions	Cl <sup>-</sup> ions	POPC	water	Total atoms	Simulation time
hDAT-SEP225289	61	53	219	19535	96644	100 ns
hDAT-NS2359	60	52	152	19123	86451	100 ns
hDAT-EB1020	73	65	214	23745	108625	100 ns
hNET-SEP225289	51	49	197	18172	89783	100 ns
hNET-NS2359	57	55	201	20539	97436	100 ns
hNET-EB1020	57	55	201	20505	97327	100 ns
hSERT-SEP225289	52	55	192	18783	90891	100 ns
hSERT-NS2359	52	55	191	18764	90704	100 ns
hSERT-EB1020	50	53	185	17854	87159	100 ns



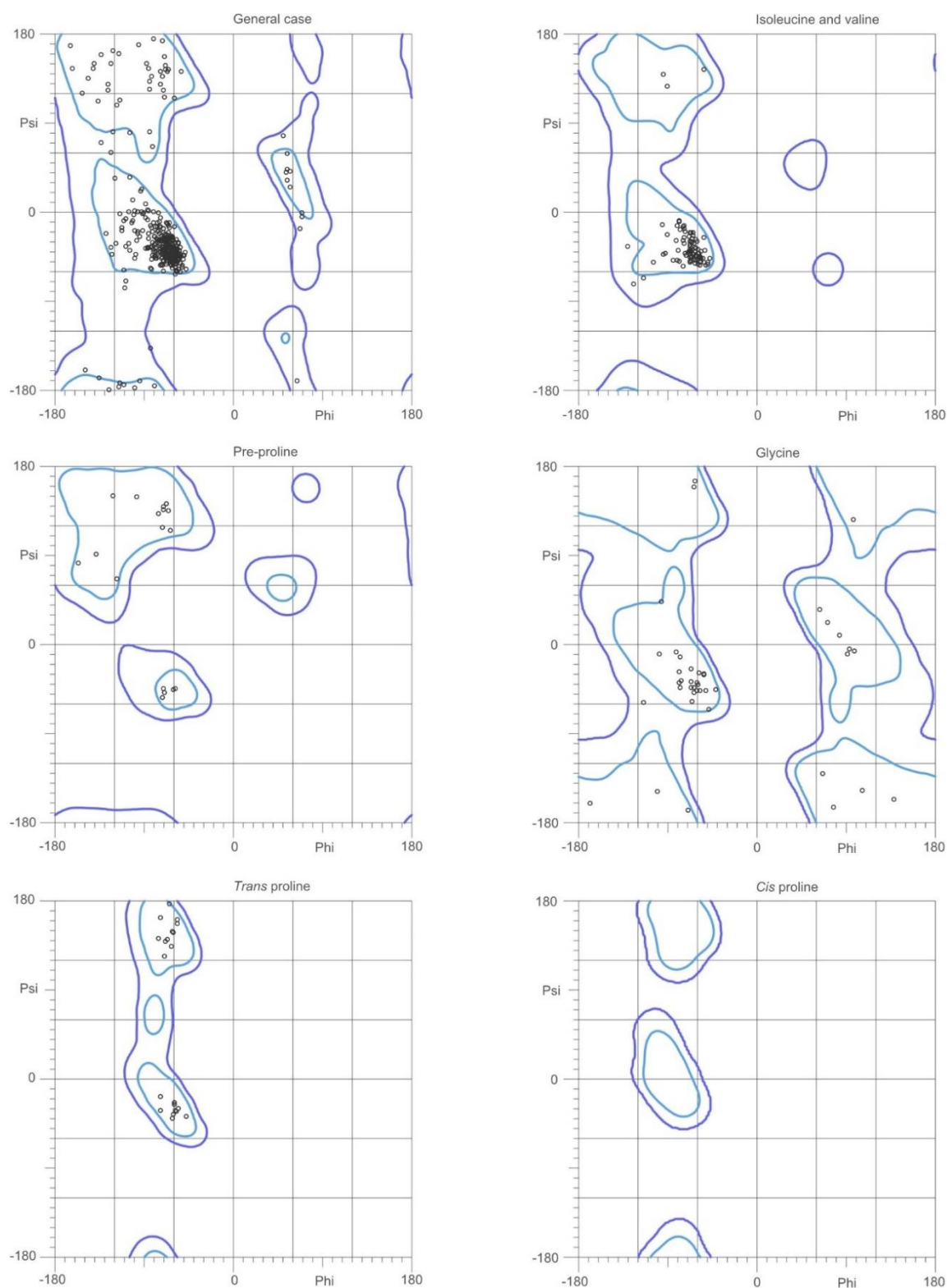


**Figure S2.** MolProbity Ramachandran analysis of the modeled hDAT structure. 96.7% (523/541) of all residues were in favored (98%) regions. 99.1% (536/541) of all residues were in allowed (>99.8%) regions. There were 5 outliers (phi, psi): His193 (58.3, 21.8), Pro288 (-58.4, -65.2), Val377 (-47.7, -86.0), Pro378 (-7.8, 102.0) and Asp421 (-44.8, -17.7).



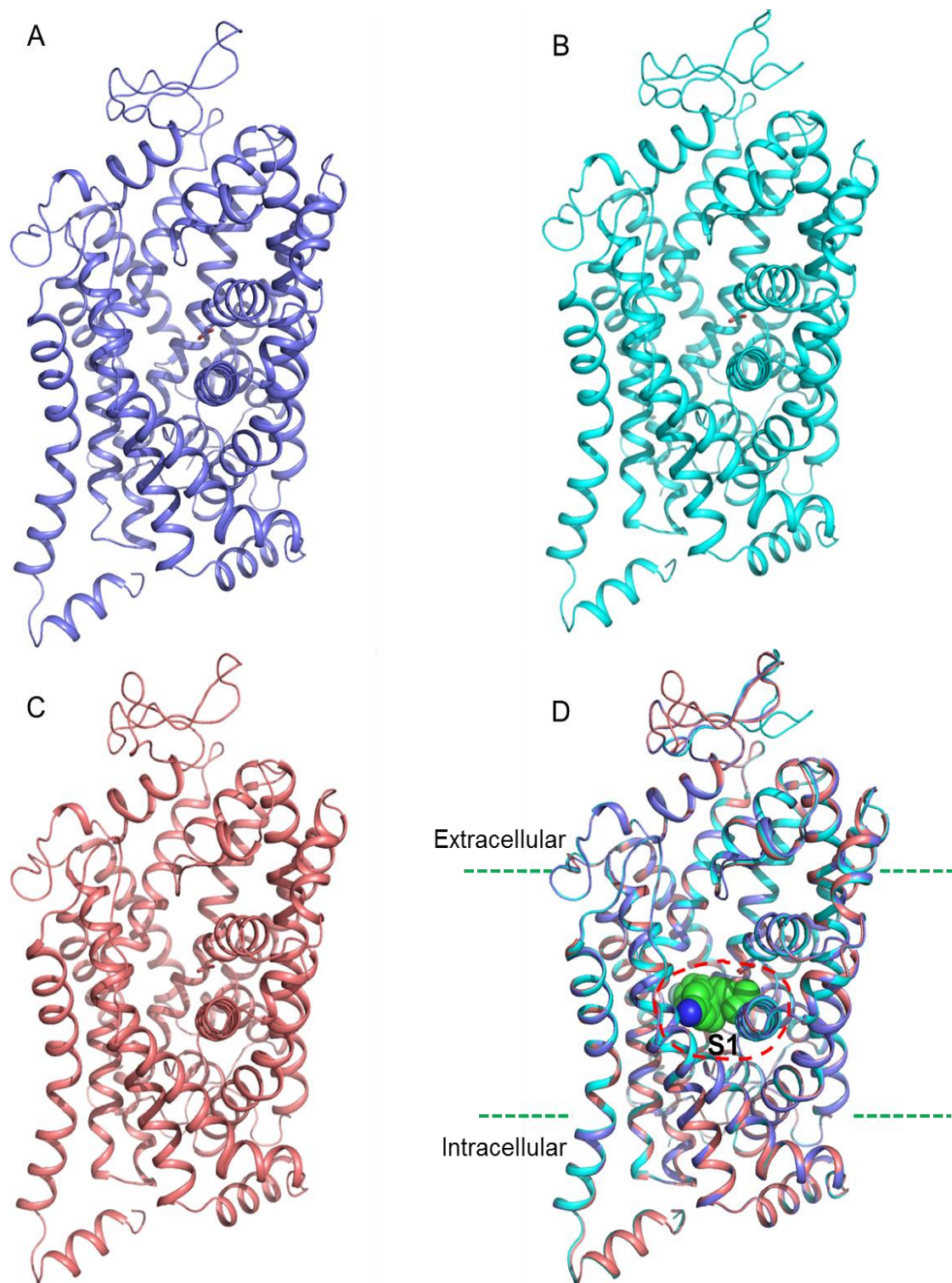
**Figure S3.** MolProbity Ramachandran analysis of the modeled hNET structure. 95.8% (520/543) of all residues were in favored (98%) regions. 99.3% (539/543) of all residues were in allowed (>99.8%) regions. There were 4 outliers (phi, psi): Ser194 (-50.5, -73.6), Leu232 (114.3, 115.9), Val374 (58.5, -171.3), Lys541 (97.3, 124.1).



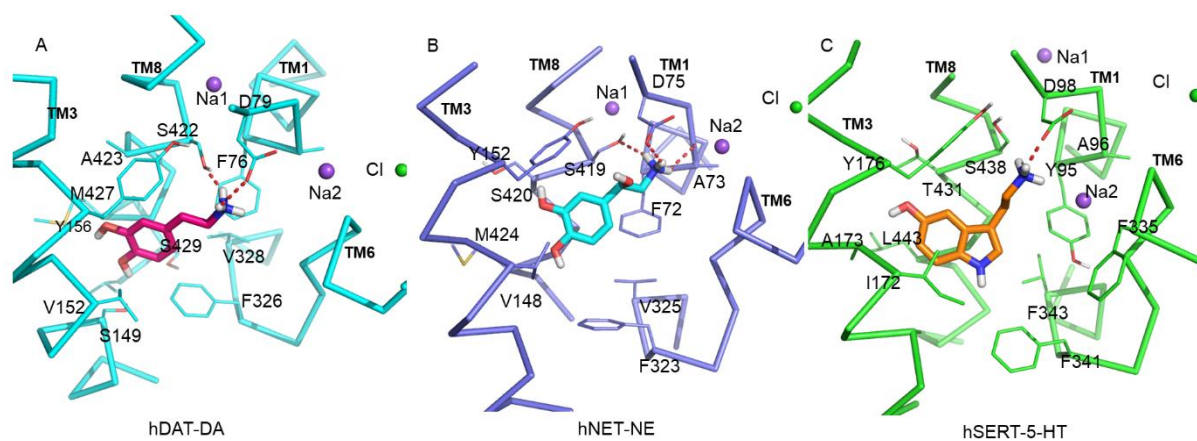


**Figure S4.** MolProbity Ramachandran analysis of the modeled hSERT structure. 96.8% (518/535) of all residues were in favored (98%) region. 100.0% (535/535) of all residues were in allowed (>99.8%) regions.

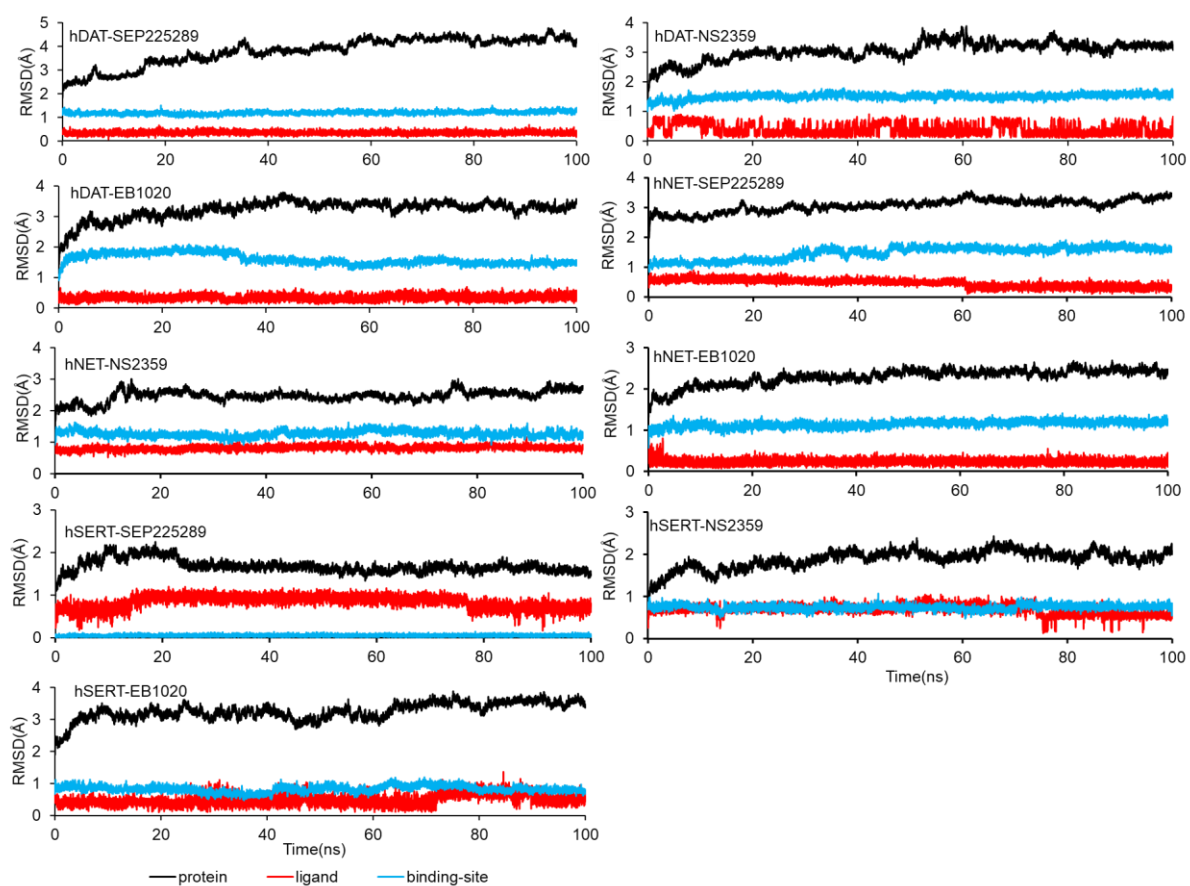




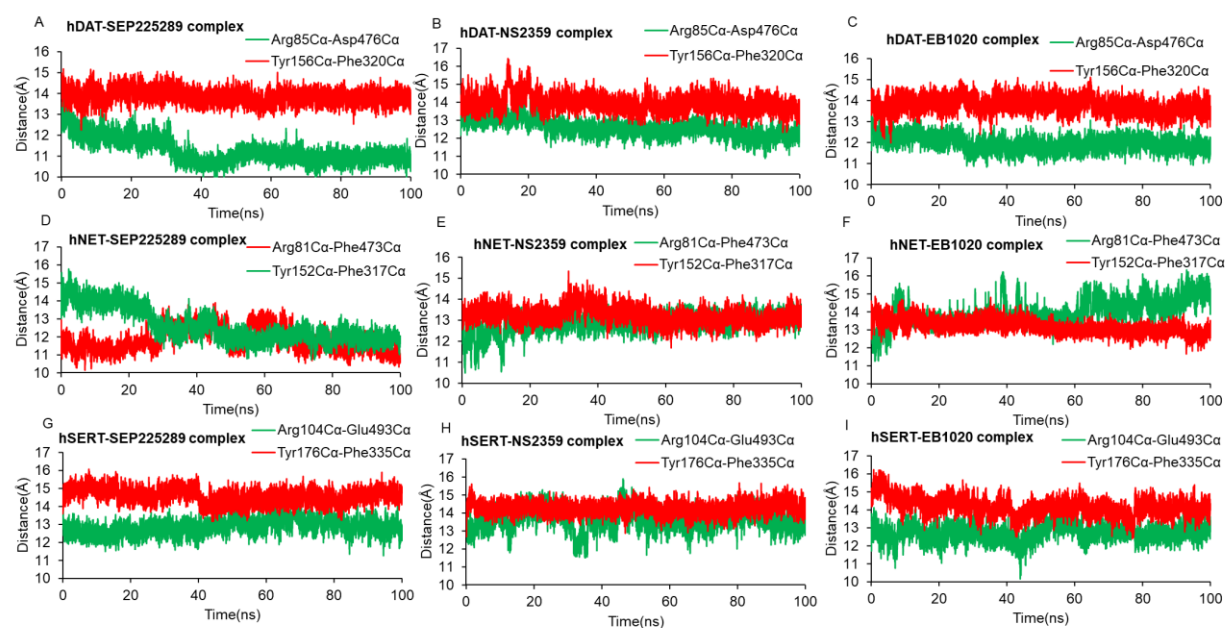
**Figure S5.** (A-C) Cartoon representation of the modified hSERT (blue), the modeled hNET (cyan) and hDAT (warmpink), respectively. (D) Superposition of the three hMATs with the co-crystallized escitalopram in hSERT (PDB code: 5I71<sup>1</sup>) shown in green sphere and the central binding sites highlighted in red dashed lines.



**Figure S6.** The docking poses of hDAT-DA (cyan), hNET-NE (blue) and hSERT-5-HT (green) complex. The substrate DA, NE and 5-HT are depicted in red, cyan, and orange stick, respectively.



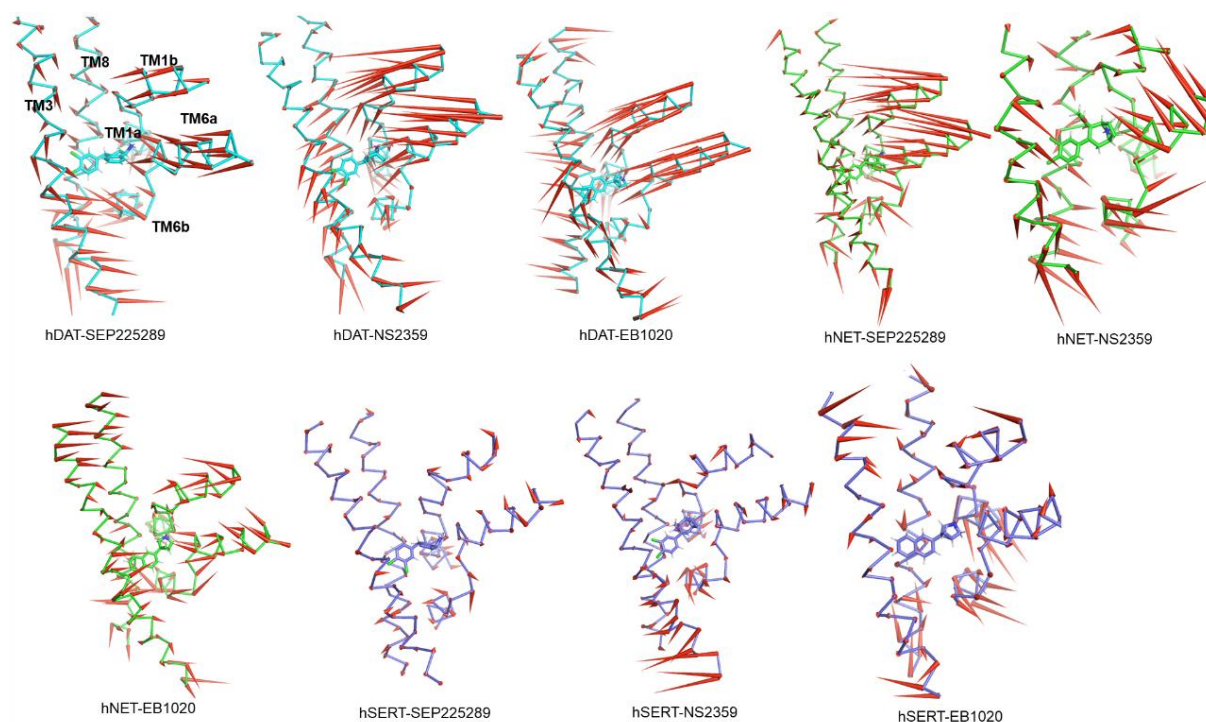
**Figure S7.** The monitored root-mean-square deviation (RMSD) of protein backbone atoms (black), ligand heavy atoms (red) and binding pocket residues backbone atoms (blue) of the nine complexes during the MD simulation.



**Figure S8.** Distances between alpha carbon atoms of gating residues Arg85-Asp476 and Tyr156-Phe320 of hDAT (A-C), Arg81-Phe473 and Tyr152-Phe317 of hNET (D-E), Arg104-Glu493 and Tyr176-Phe335 of hSERT (G-I) are 12 ~14 Å, 12-15 Å and 13~16 Å, respectively.







**Figure S10.** The porcupine plots of three hDAT bound complexes (cyan), hNET bound complexes (green), and hSERT bound complexes (blue), respectively. The red arrows showing the direction of motion of the TM1, TM3, TM6 and TM8 regions along the MD simulation. The *PyMOL* modevector module<sup>5</sup> was applied to generate the porcupine plots.

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