

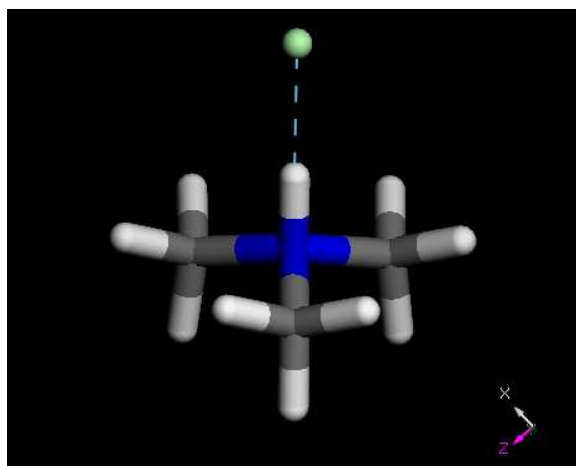
**Supporting Information for “PAMAM Dendrimers Undergo pH Responsive Conformational Changes without Swelling” (Yi Liu, Vyacheslav S. Bryantsev, Mamadou S. Diallo, and William A. Goddard III\*)**

Figures S1-S3: New force field Dreiding III

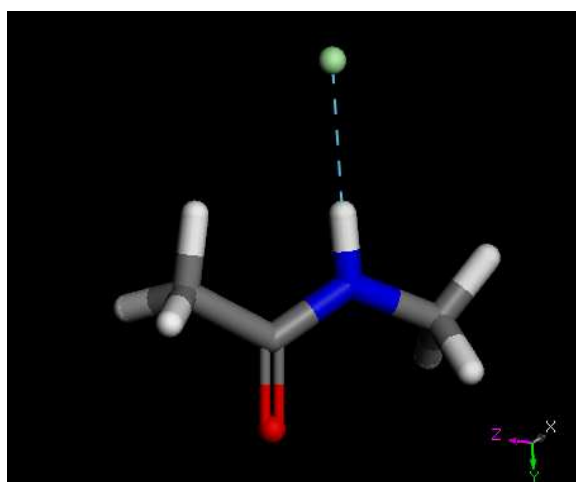
Figures S4-S5: Thermodynamics properties (energy, temperature and pressure etc.) from MD simulations

Figures S6-S10: SASA and SEV analyses

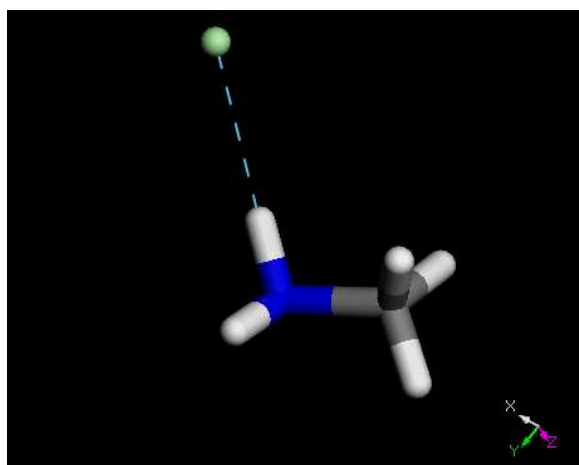
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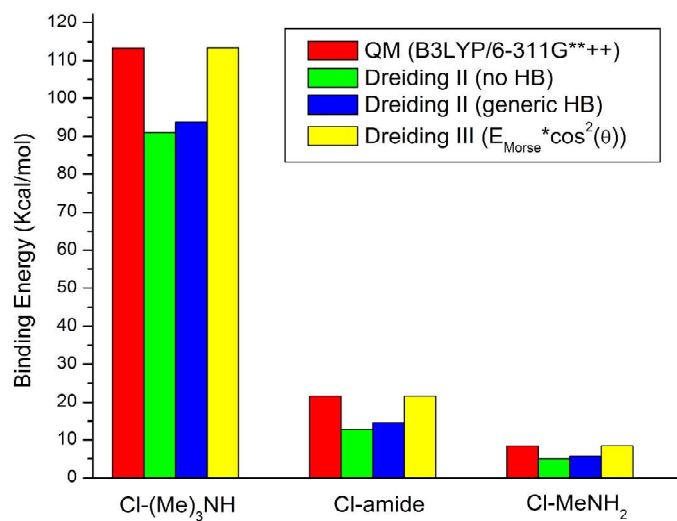
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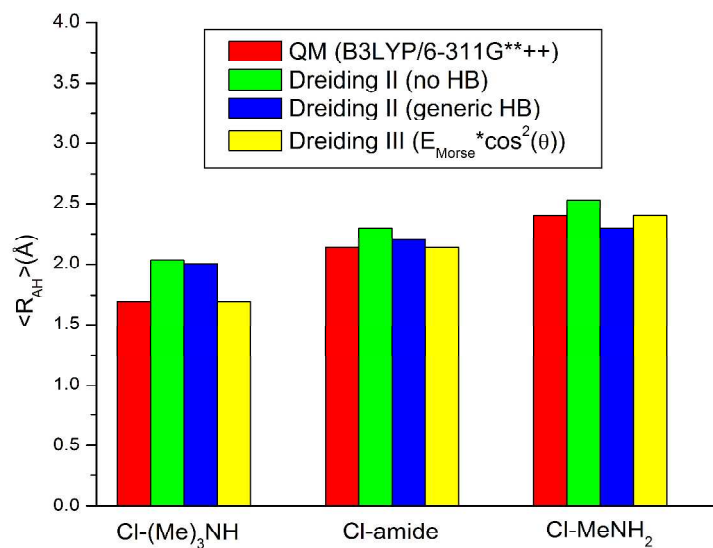
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***SI.*** Hydrogen bond complex of  $\text{Cl}^-$  with a (a) tertiary amine, (b) amide and (c) primary amine.



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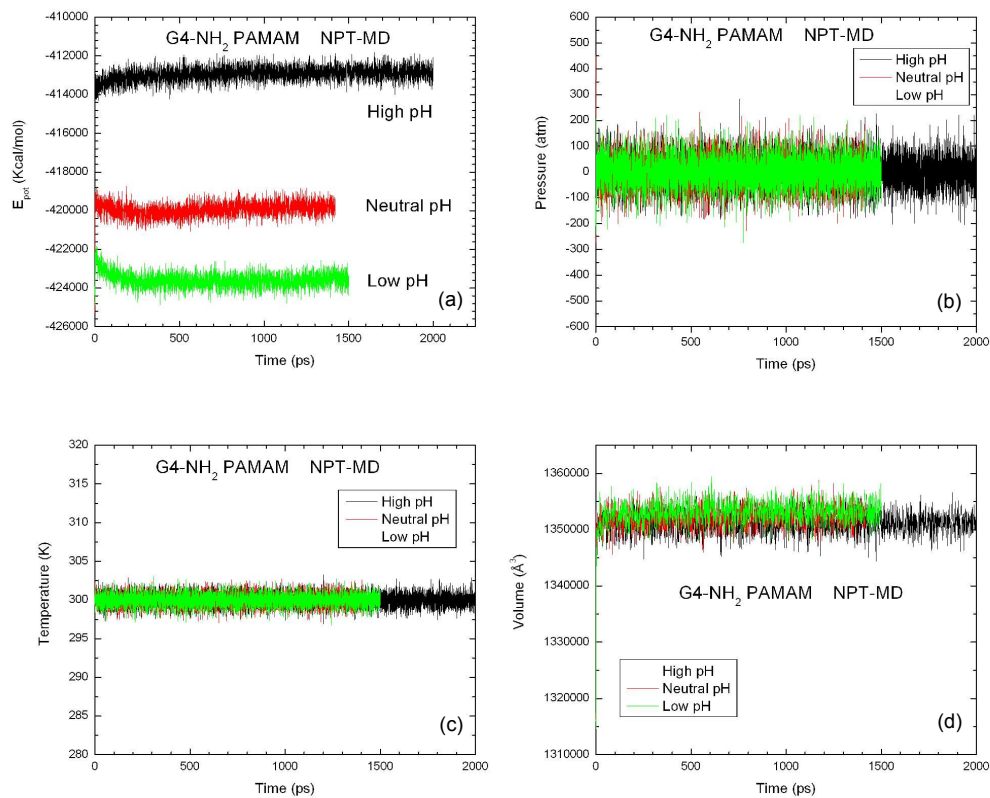
**S2.** (a) Binding energies and (b) distances between hydrogen bond acceptor Cl<sup>-</sup> and donor H<sup>+</sup> of primary amine, tertiary amine and amide calculated using QM, old Dreiding II FF (with and without HB), and new Dreiding III FF.

**S3.** New hydrogen bond term in Drieding III force field:

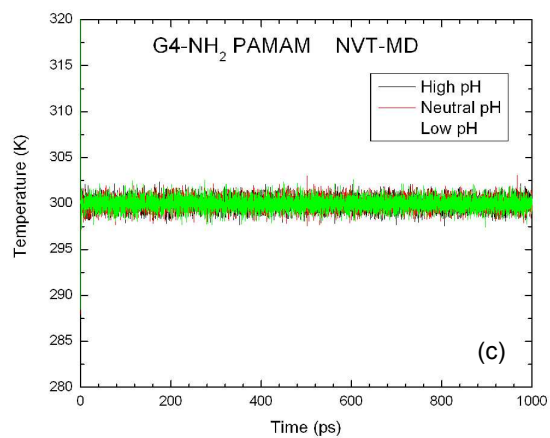
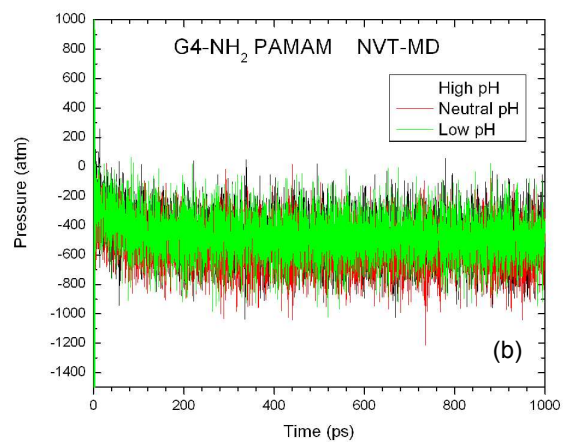
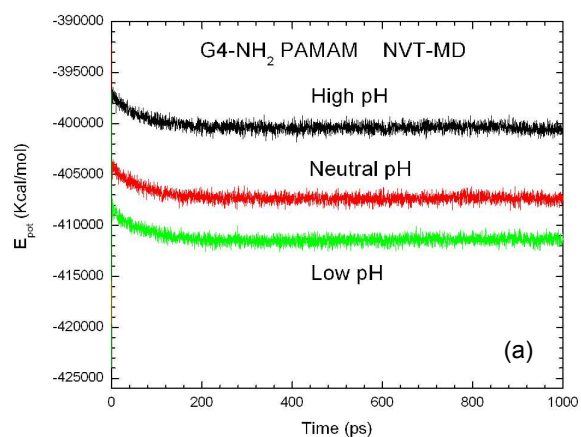
$$E_{HB}(R, \theta) = E_{Morse}(R) \cos^2(\theta) = D_0(\chi^2 - 2\chi) \cos^2(\theta)$$

$$\text{where } \chi = \exp\left[\frac{\gamma}{2}\left(1 - \frac{R}{R_0}\right)\right], \gamma = 10$$

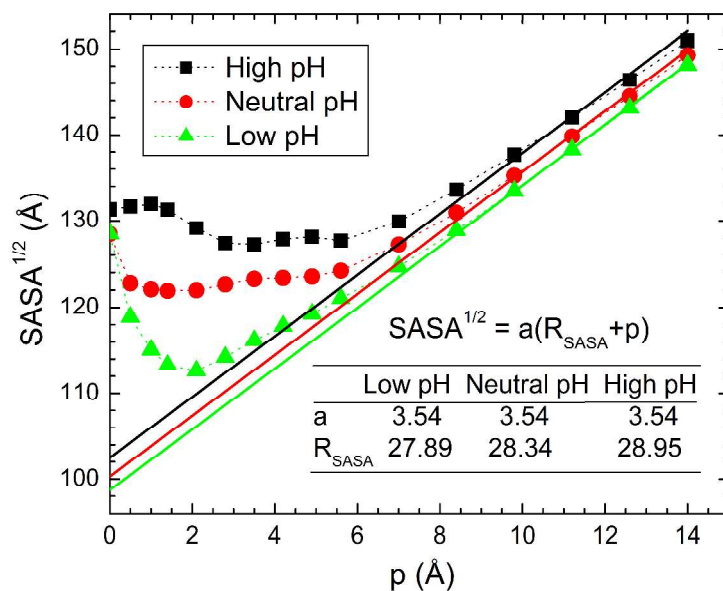
HB complex (Donor-H-Acceptor)	D <sub>0</sub> (Kcal/mol)	R <sub>0</sub> (Å)
N_3H -H___A-Cl	3.2300	3.5750
N_3P -H___A-Cl	10.0000	2.9795
N_3HP-H___A-Cl	7.6000	3.2750
N_R -H___A-Cl	5.6000	3.2650
N_3H -H___A-O_3F	1.3100	3.4100
N_3P -H___A-O_3F	2.2100	3.1200
N_3HP-H___A-O_3F	1.2200	3.2000
N_R -H___A-O_3F	1.3800	3.1700
O_3F -H_F -O_2	1.3300	3.1500
N_3H -H___A-O_2	1.2500	3.4050
N_3P -H___A-O_2	8.3800	2.7700
N_3HP-H___A-O_2	8.5600	2.6350
N_R -H___A-O_2	3.8800	2.9000
O_3F -H_F -N_3	1.2500	3.1500
N_3H -H___A-N_3	0.1870	3.9000
N_3P -H___A-N_3	5.0000	2.7650
N_3HP-H___A-N_3	0.8000	3.2200
N_R -H___A-N_3	0.4300	3.4000
O_3F -H_F -N_3H	1.9700	3.1200
N_3H -H___A-N_3H	0.9300	3.4700
N_3P -H___A-N_3H	8.4500	2.8400
N_3HP-H___A-N_3H	10.1400	2.6000
N_R -H___A-N_3H	2.4400	3.1500



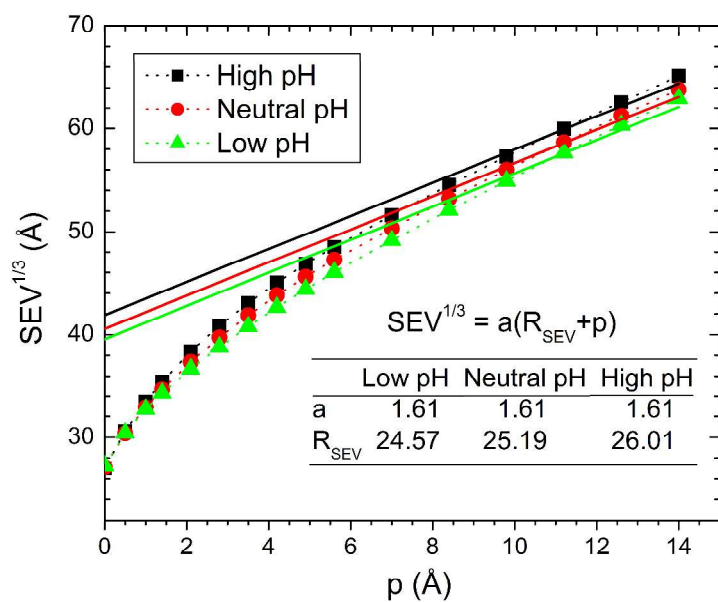
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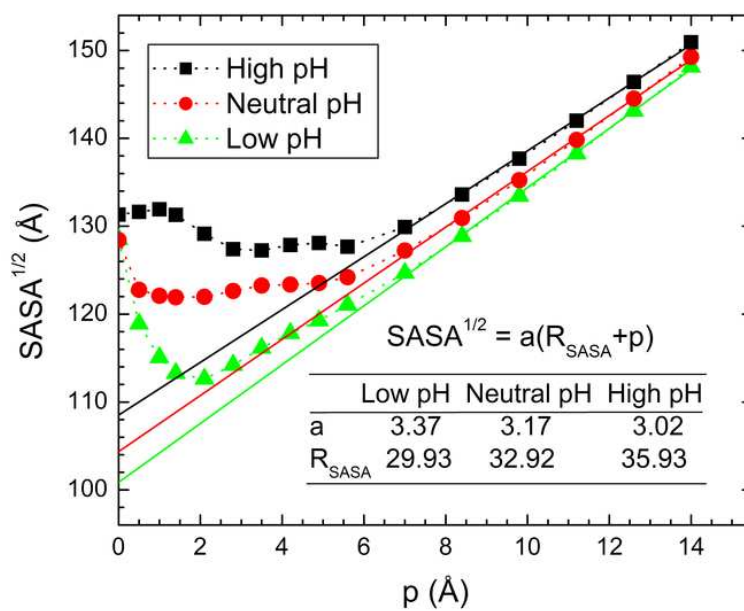
**S5.** Evolution of thermodynamics properties from constant particle, volume and temperature (NVT) MD simulations: (a) potential energy; (b) pressure; (c) temperature.



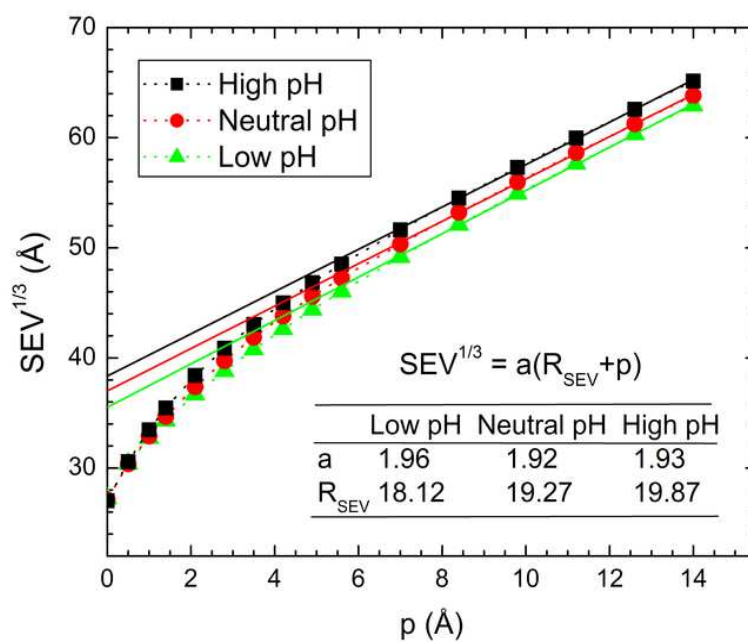
**S6.** Squared root of solvent accessible surface areas (SASA) as a function of probe radius at high, neutral, and low pH. The insert shows the equation and parameters used in linear regression fitting for  $p > 7$  Å. The theoretical slope  $\sqrt{4\pi} = 3.54$  was used.



**S7.** Cubic root of solvent excluded volume (SEV) as a function of probe radius at high, neutral, and low pH. The insert shows the equation and parameters used in linear regression fitting for  $p > 7$  Å. The theoretical slope  $\sqrt[3]{\frac{4}{3}\pi} = 1.61$  was used.

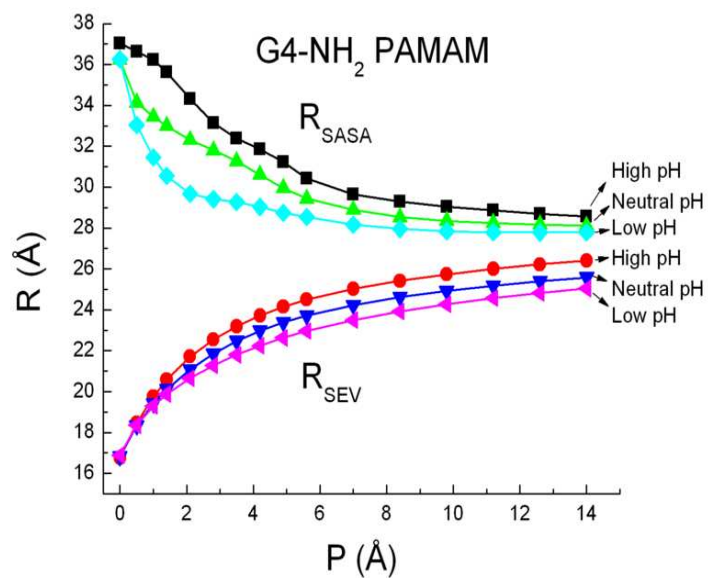


**S8.** Squared root of solvent accessible surface areas (SASA) as a function of probe radius at high, neutral, and low pH. The insert shows the equation and parameters used in linear regression fitting for  $p > 7$  Å.



**S9.** Cubic root of solvent excluded volume (SEV) as a function of probe radius at high, neutral, and low pH. The insert shows the equation and parameters used in linear regression fitting for  $p > 7$  Å.





**S10.**  $R_{SASA}$  and  $R_{SEV}$  as a function of probe radius at high, neutral, and low pH. The theoretical slopes  $\sqrt{4\pi}=3.54$  and  $\sqrt[3]{\frac{4}{3}\pi}=1.61$  were used for deriving  $R_{SASA}$  and  $R_{SEV}$ , respectively.