

Supplementary Material: Effective yet Reliable Computation of EPR Spectra in Solution by a QM/MM Approach: Interplay Between Electrostatics and Non-electrostatic Effects

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S1 Geometries in vacuo

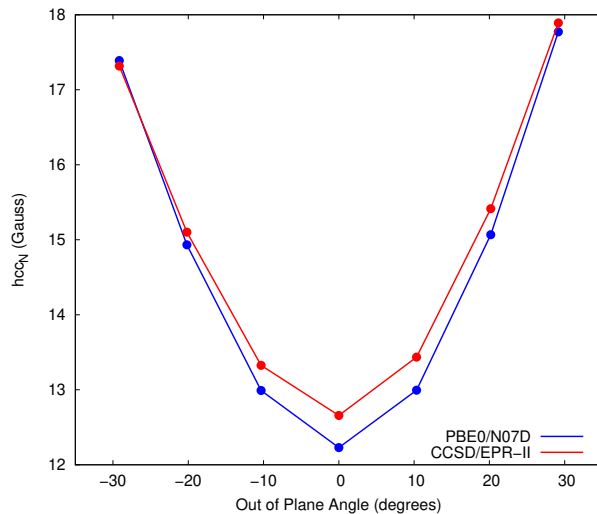


Figure S1: PBE0/N07D and CCSD/EPR-II hcc_N values (Gauss) on the reduced TEMPO structure as a function of the out of plane $C_\alpha\text{NOC}_\alpha$ angle.

Table S1: Selected geometrical parameters of PROXYL and TEMPO radicals at the different levels of theory with the inclusion of Grimme empirical dispersion D3. BS1: aug-cc-pVDZ; BS2: 6-311++G(3dp,2pd).

	Parameter	PBE0 + D3		B3LYP + D3	
		BS1	BS2	BS1	BS2
PROXYL	N-O	1.262	1.257	1.274	1.267
	$\angle C_\alpha\text{NC}_\alpha$	115.2	115.1	115.2	115.1
	$C_\alpha\text{NOC}_\alpha$	± 0.0	± 0.0	± 0.0	± 0.0
TEMPO	N-O	1.271	1.265	1.283	1.277
	$\angle C_\alpha\text{NC}_\alpha$	124.9	124.0	124.0	124.1
	$C_\alpha\text{NOC}_\alpha$	± 22.7	± 22.1	± 22.7	± 22.1

S2 Energy Decomposition Analysis

Table S2: PROXYL+2w EDA obtained by exploiting PBE0/FQ with different parametrizations and SAPT0. CCSD(T) calculations include Counter-Poise corrections. All data are reported in mHartree.

^a FQ parametrization taken from Ref. ¹

^b FQ parametrization taken from Ref. ²

^c FQ parametrization proposed in this work

	jun-cc-pVDZ					N07D				
	FQ ^a	FQ ^b	FQ ^c	SAPT0	CCSD(T)	FQ ^a	FQ ^b	FQ ^c	SAPT0	CCSD(T)
Electrostatic	-21.00	-26.88	-45.22	-32.71	–	-20.25	-26.24	-45.77	-31.85	–
Induction	–	–	–	-11.33	–	–	–	–	-11.24	–
Repulsion	28.53	29.11	30.83	28.49	–	28.15	28.86	31.05	28.44	–
Dispersion	-3.28	-3.28	-3.28	-6.36	–	-3.29	-3.29	-3.29	-7.82	–
Total	4.25	-1.05	-17.67	-21.90	-17.72	4.61	-0.67	-18.01	-22.48	-18.57

S3 Electrostatic FQ parametrization

Table S3: O and H parameters for FQ calculations. η and χ are the chemical hardnesses and atomic electronegativities, respectively. All data are reported in a.u.

^a FQ parametrization taken from Ref. ¹

^b FQ parametrization taken from Ref. ²

^c FQ parametrization proposed in this work

	FQ ^a	FQ ^b	FQ ^c
η_O	0.584852	0.623700	0.523700
η_H	0.625010	0.637512	0.537512
χ_O	0.116859	0.189194	0.189194
χ_H	0.000000	0.012767	0.012767
$\Delta\chi$	0.116859	0.176427	0.176427

S4 hcc_N of PROXYL/TEMPO from MD runs

Table S4: PBE0/N07D hcc_N mean values calculated on 200 snapshots extracted from MD runs. TIP3P refers to the purely electrostatic QM/MM embedding, where the water molecules were described by means of the non-polarizable TIP3P force field. FQ refers to the purely electrostatic QM/FQ with a, b parametrization. Δ_{rep} and $\Delta_{\text{dis-rep}}$ are differences between FQ^a and hcc_N data obtained with our method. All values are reported in Gauss.

^a FQ parametrization taken from Ref. ¹

^b FQ parametrization taken from Ref. ²

	TIP3P	FQ ^a	FQ ^b	Δ_{rep}	$\Delta_{\text{dis-rep}}$
PROXYL	14.9	14.7	15.0	-0.3	-0.3
TEMPO	15.9	15.7	16.0	-0.3	-0.3

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