

Quantitative quality of lipid-cholesterol interactions in atomistic resolution molecular dynamics simulations

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CONCLUSIONS

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COMPARISON OF ACYL CHAIN ORDER PARAMETERS BETWEEN EXPERIMENTS AND SIMULATIONS

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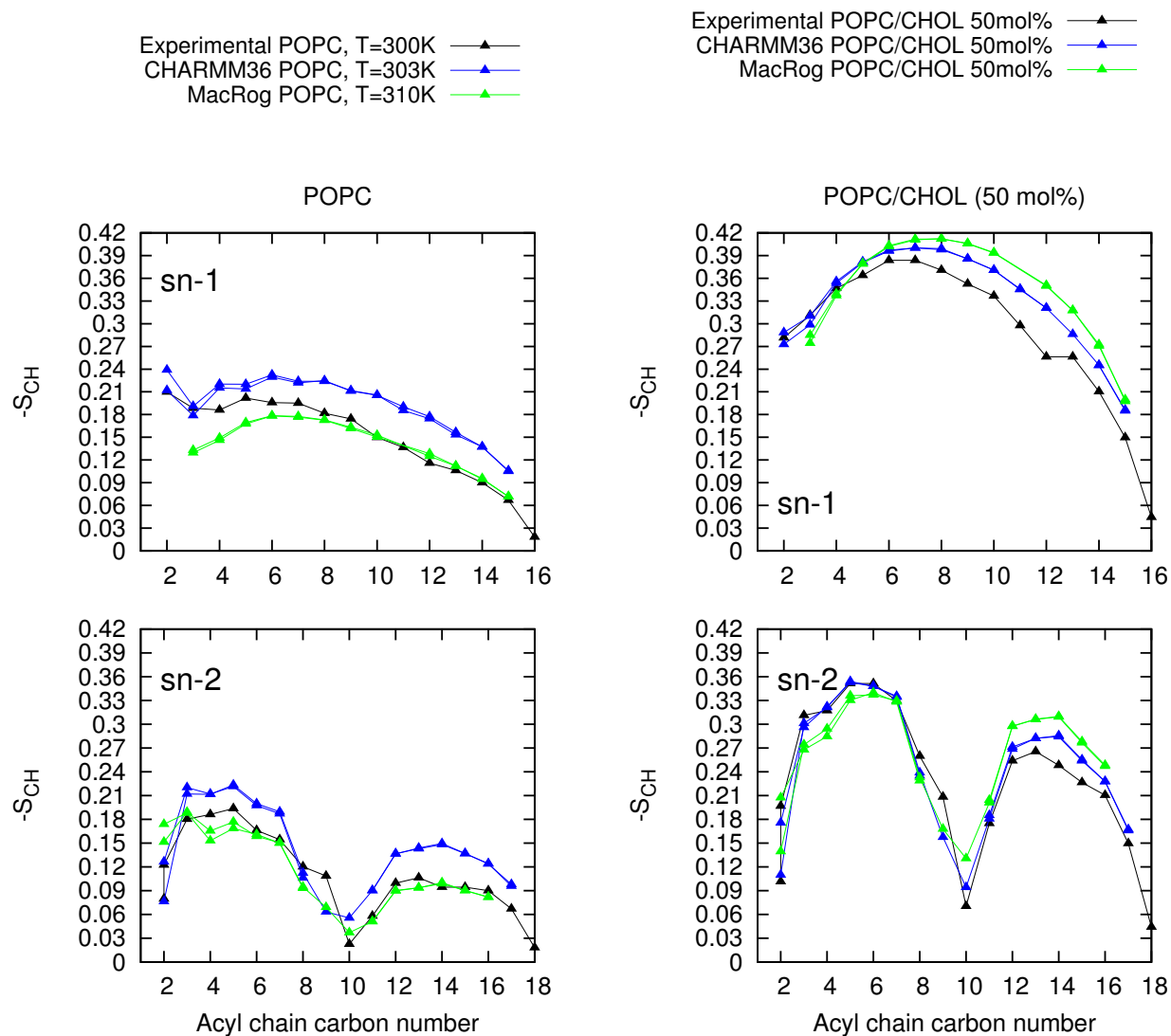


FIG. 1: Order parameters from simulations and experiments for acyl chains of 1-palmitoyl-2-oleoylphosphatidylcholine (POPC).