

# **Blockade of Human $\alpha$ 7 Nicotinic Acetylcholine Receptor by $\alpha$ -Conotoxin ImI Dendrimer: Insight from Computational Simulations**

## **Supplementary Materials**

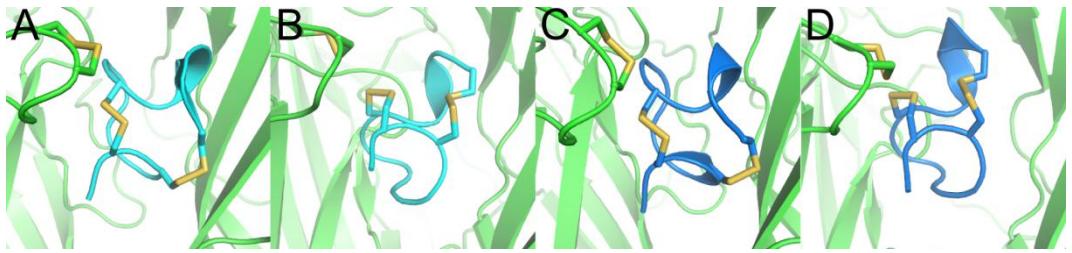
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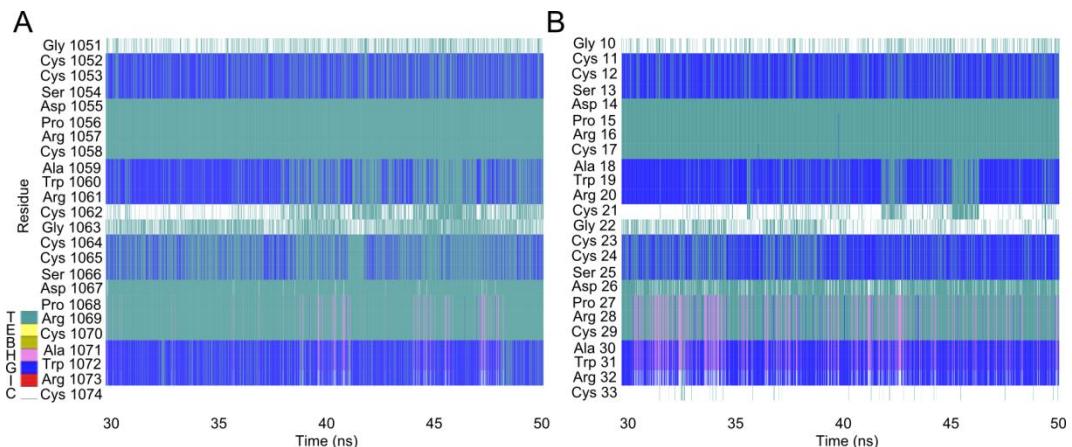
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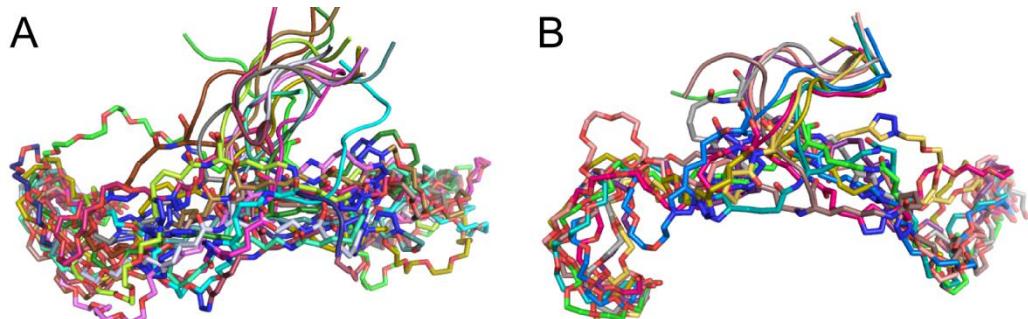
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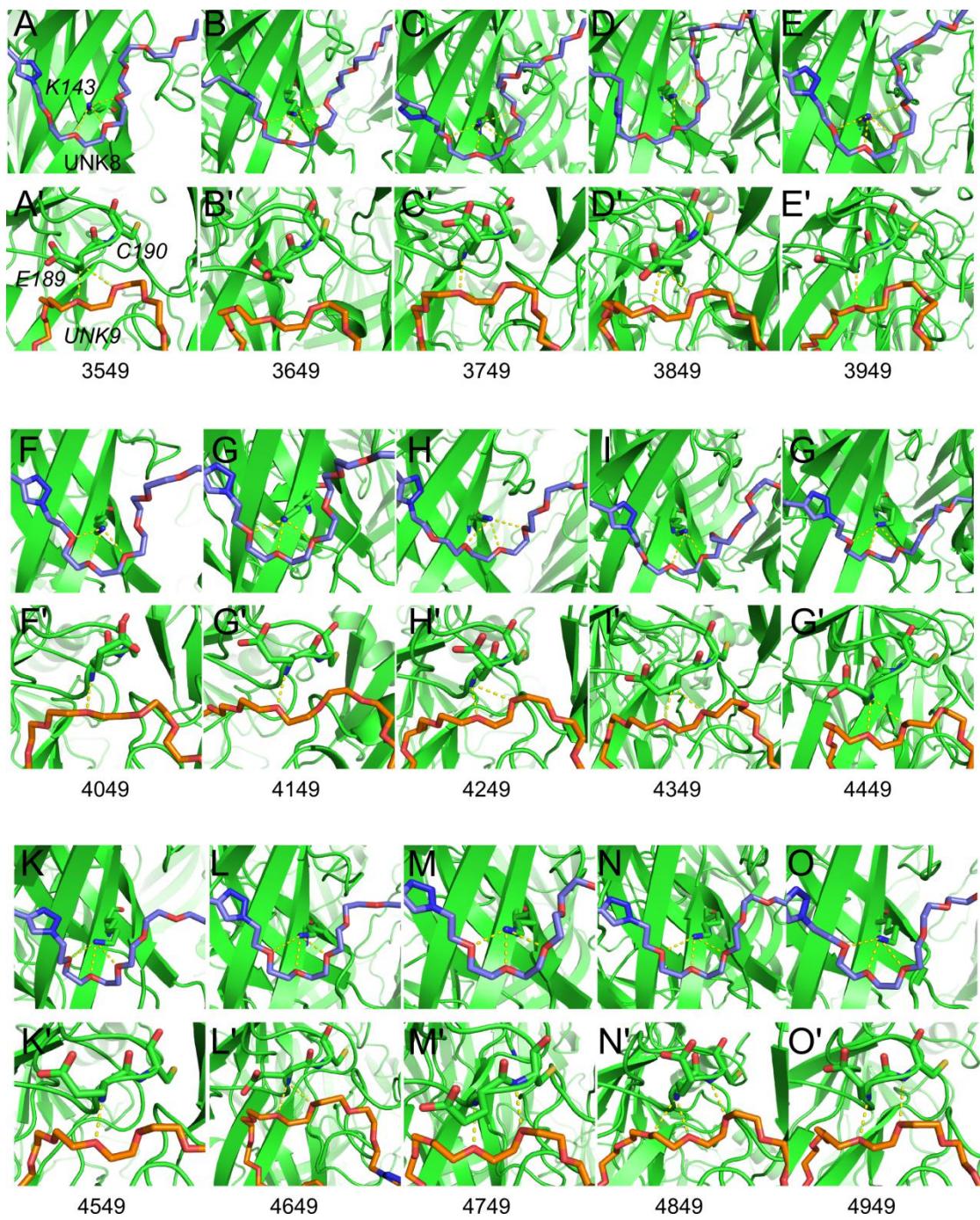
**Figure S1.** Binding mode of  $\alpha$ -ImI monomer and dimer. (A, B) represent the binding mode of  $\alpha$ -ImI of the dimer (light blue) with  $\text{h}\alpha\gamma$  nAChR, and (C, D) represent the binding mode of  $\alpha$ -ImI monomer (deep blue) with the same binding sites of  $\text{h}\alpha\gamma$  nAChR.



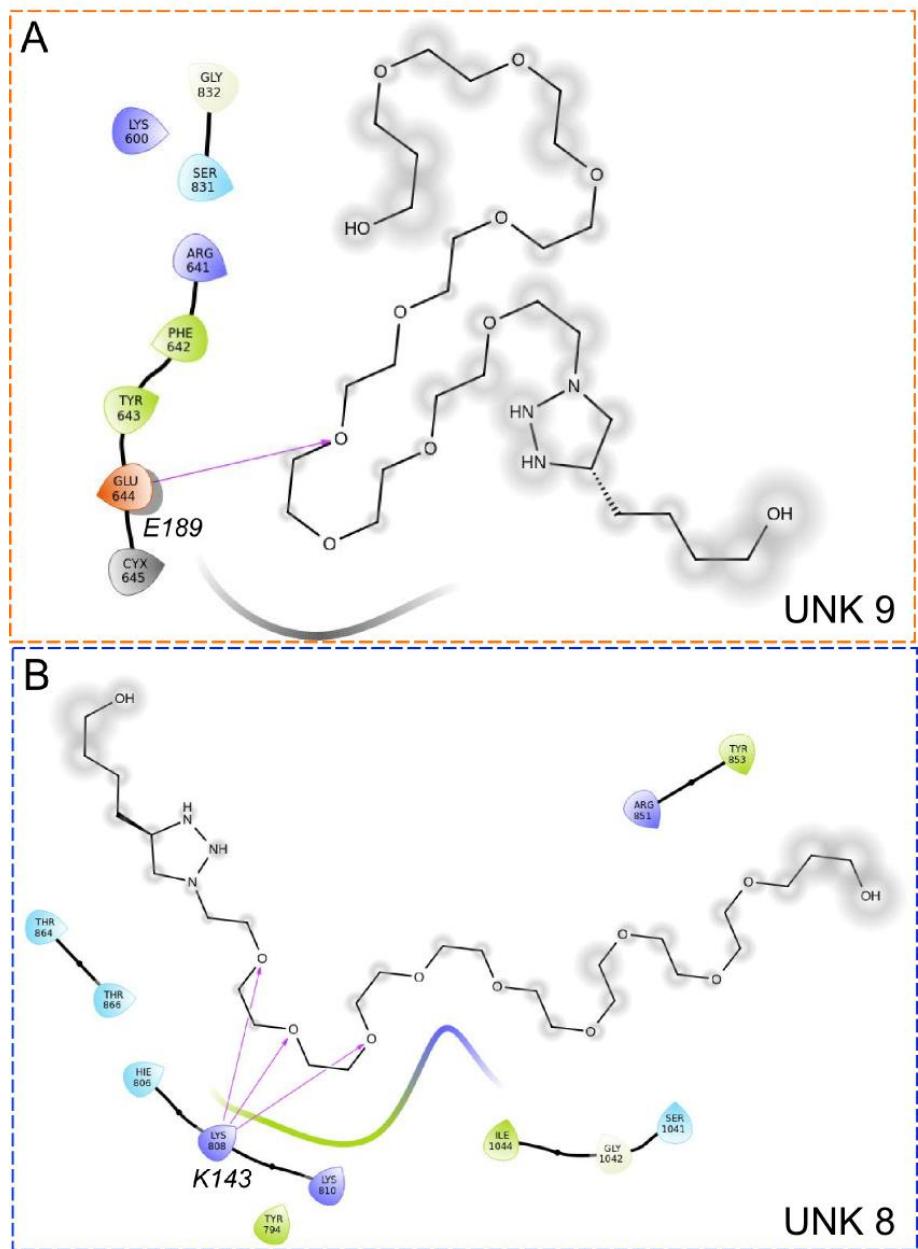
**Figure S2.** Characterization chart of secondary structure of each  $\alpha$ -ImI in 2xImI-dendrimer. A represents the secondary structure diagram of two  $\alpha$ -ImI monomers. B represents the secondary structure diagram of two  $\alpha$ -ImI in 2xImI-dendrimer. Color key for secondary structure plots are as follows: T (Turn); E (Extended configuration); B (Isolated bridge); H (Alpha helix); G (3-10 Helix); I (Pi-helix); C (coil).



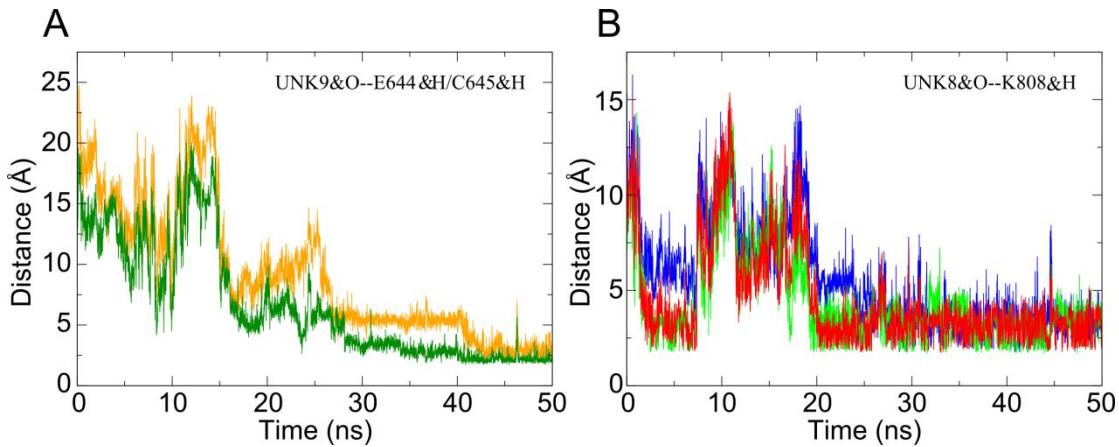
**Figure S3.** Conformational superposition diagram of the linker. (A) Frames extracted in the former 14 ns with even time intervals and the last frame (green) at 50ns. (B) The averagely extracted frames from 14th ns to 34th ns and the last frame (green) in 50ns.



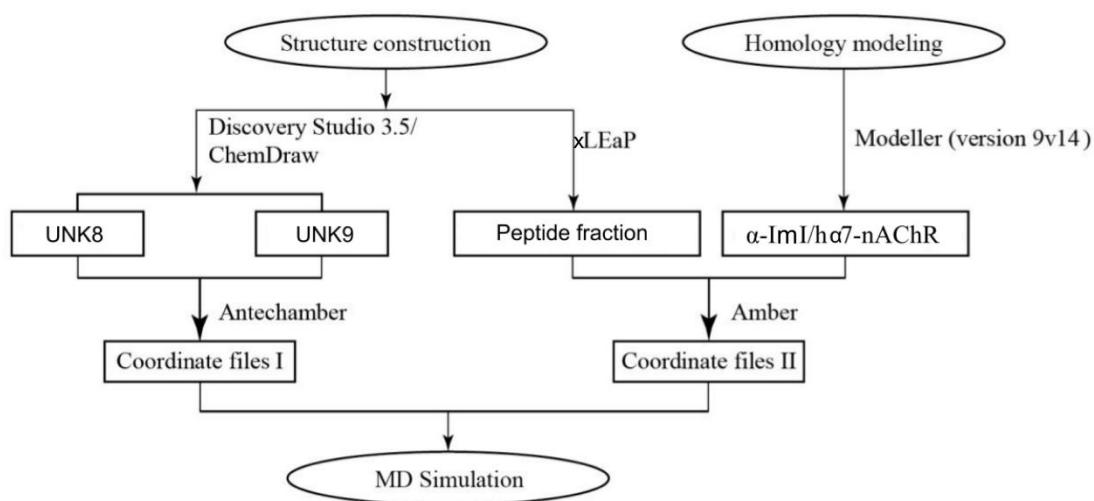
**Figure S4.** Cluster analysis diagram of the linker between 34 ns to 50 ns. 3549 - 4949 represent the extracted conformation number. The h $\alpha$ 7 nAChR was shown in green and two parts of the linker was colored in orange (UNK9) and purple (UNK8), respectively.



**Figure S5.** 2D interaction diagrams of the linker. (A) Binding mode of UNK9/h $\alpha$ 7-nAChR; (B) Binding mode of UNK8/h $\alpha$ 7-nAChR.



**Figure S6.** H-bond analysis of UNK with  $\alpha 7$  nAChR. (A) Evolution of the distance between O atom of UNK9 and H atom of E644/C645 in  $\alpha 7$  nAChR. (B) Evolution of the distance between O atom of UNK8 and H atom of K808 in  $\alpha 7$  nAChR.



**Figure S7.** Flowchart for building the  $\alpha$ -ImI dendrimer model. The UNK8 and UNK9 represent the PEG spacer unit. The peptide fragment consists of 7 amino acid residues (Lys-Gly-Arg-Arg-Arg-Gly).

**Table S1.** Assigned partial charges for the UNK8/UNK9

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2	DUMM	DU	M	1	0	-1	1.449	.0	.0	.00000
3	DUMM	DU	M	2	1	0	1.523	111.21	.0	.00000
4	C6	C	M	3	2	1	1.540	111.208	-180.000	0.564600
5	O1	O	E	4	3	2	1.209	119.705	7.057	-0.527380
6	C5	CT	M	4	3	2	1.519	117.177	-173.884	-0.199506
7	H9	HC	E	6	4	3	1.116	107.629	57.858	0.069663
8	H10	HC	E	6	4	3	1.116	107.529	-58.215	0.069663
9	C4	CT	M	6	4	3	1.537	114.565	179.857	-0.077441
10	H7	HC	E	9	6	4	1.117	109.340	58.080	0.055171
11	H8	HC	E	9	6	4	1.117	109.386	-59.553	0.055171
12	C	CT	M	9	6	4	1.537	111.992	179.446	-0.094750
13	H3	HC	E	12	9	6	1.114	109.780	56.844	0.060668
14	H4	HC	E	12	9	6	1.115	110.073	-61.118	0.060668
15	C8	CV	M	12	9	6	1.502	111.272	178.737	0.260462
16	N	NB	S	15	12	9	1.267	122.016	-115.407	-0.355188
17	N1	NB	E	16	15	12	1.257	104.933	179.323	-0.165888
18	C3	CA	M	15	12	9	1.338	127.535	63.866	-0.222718
19	H2	H4	E	18	15	12	1.093	131.493	0.242	0.194897
20	N2	N*	M	18	15	12	1.266	102.399	-179.302	0.043377
21	C1	CT	M	20	18	15	1.473	120.162	179.076	0.049274
22	H5	H1	E	21	20	18	1.116	110.956	30.268	0.079158
23	H6	H1	E	21	20	18	1.115	109.116	147.344	0.079158
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25	H11	H1	E	24	21	20	1.114	109.960	-61.576	0.046675
26	H12	H1	E	24	21	20	1.114	109.510	58.710	0.046675
27	O	OS	M	24	21	20	1.407	109.017	178.315	-0.429828
28	C2	CT	M	27	24	21	1.407	112.341	-178.986	0.128332
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30	H14	H1	E	28	27	24	1.116	109.333	58.349	0.047675
31	C9	CT	M	28	27	24	1.522	109.014	178.067	0.128332
32	H15	H1	E	31	28	27	1.114	109.693	-57.608	0.046176
33	H16	H1	E	31	28	27	1.115	110.309	63.073	0.046176
34	O2	OS	M	31	28	27	1.406	108.370	-177.015	-0.429828
35	C10	CT	M	34	31	28	1.406	112.860	177.797	0.128332
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37	H18	H1	E	35	34	31	1.115	109.565	62.036	0.041678
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42	C12	CT	M	41	38	35	1.409	113.310	-174.532	0.129331
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50	H25	H1	E	49	48	45	1.117	106.522	160.760	0.062667
51	H26	H1	E	49	48	45	1.112	110.385	44.714	0.062667
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