Chemical Dynamics Simulations of Energy Transfer, Fragmentation, and Soft-Landing in Protonated Peptide Ion Collisions with Hydrocarbon Surfaces

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Chemical dynamics simulations have been used to study energy transfer and unimolecular fragmentation in collisions of protonated peptide ions with self-assembled monolayer and diamond surfaces. Both MM and QM+MM models have been used for the simulations. The MM potential for the intermolecular interactions between the peptide ions and the surface are fit to ab initio calculations. Excellent agreement with experiments by Graham Cooks, Vicki Wysocki, and Laskin/Futrell are found from the simulations. The simulations provide an atomic-level understanding of the surface-induced dissociation (SID) experiments. Effects of peptide ion size, structure, and orientation are investigated. Surface properties, as well as the collision energy and collision angle, affect the SID dynamics. Future directions are discussed.

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