

**Table S1** Sequence multiple alignments of natriuretic peptides (L2, BNP, ANP, CNP and DNP).

L2		
Natriuretic peptide	Identity (%)	Coverage (%)
hANP	61.90	63.45
hBNP	50.00	51.10
hCNP	72.73	73.60
DNP	45.16	46.47

Data were generated by a homology modeling study using Clustal Omega multiple sequence alignment program server. hANP, human atrial natriuretic peptide; hBNP, human B-type natriuretic peptide; hCNP, human C-type natriuretic peptide; DNP, *dendroaspis* natriuretic peptide; L2, Lebetin 2.

**Table S2.** Sequence multiple alignments of natriuretic receptors (in human, rat, mouse and chicken).

Natriuretic receptor	NPR-A		NPR-B		NPR-C	
	Identity (%)	Coverage (%)	Identity (%)	Coverage (%)	Identity (%)	Coverage (%)
hNPR <i>vs</i> mNPR	85.41	86.67	98.09	98.7	94.50	95.35
hNPR <i>vs</i> rNPR	84.71	86.00	97.37	98.00	94.24	95.10
hNPR <i>vs</i> chNPR	57.35	57.73	69.71	70.61	77.78	78.48
mNPR <i>vs</i> rNPR	96.47	97.01	99.28	99.00	98.50	99.00
mNPR <i>vs</i> chNPR	56.16	56.16	69.95	70.85	77.78	78.48
chNPR <i>vs</i> rNPR	56.87	57.25	70.02	71.00	77.47	78.17

Data were generated by a homology modeling study using Clustal Omega multiple sequence alignment program server. NPR, Natriuretic peptide receptor (NPR); hNPR, human NPR; chNPR, chicken NPR; mNPR, mouse NPR; rNPR, rat NPR.

**Table S3.** Prediction of 3D models of natriuretic peptides based on DOPE score and total energy.

	L2	BNP	ANP	CNP	DNP
DOPE score	-640	-432	-684	-667	-667
Total Energy (Kcal/mol)	-441	-634	-757	-166	-734

Data were generated by a homology modeling study using Clustal Omega multiple sequence alignment program server. ANP, human atrial natriuretic peptide; BNP, human B-type natriuretic peptide; CNP, human C-type natriuretic peptide; DNP, *dendroaspis* natriuretic peptide; L2, Lebetin 2.

**Table S4.** Prediction of 3D models of natriuretic peptides receptors based on DOPE score and total energy.

	hNPR-A	hNPR-B	hNPR-C
DOPE score	-54397	-49628	-49108
Total energy (Kcal/mol)	-17681	-18384	-17954
	rNPR-A	rNPR-B	rNPR-C
DOPE score	-48096	-42863	-43319
Total energy (Kcal/mol)	-17780	-18432	-18068
	mNPR-A	mNPR-B	mNPR-C
DOPE score	-53649	-40072	-49240
Total energy (Kcal/mol)	-18700	-18001	-19111
	chNPR-A	chNPR-B	chNPR-C
DOPE score	-45490	-32292	-47418
Total energy (Kcal/mol)	-20678	-15802	-19249

Data were generated by a homology modeling study using Clustal Omega multiple sequence alignment program server. NPR, Natriuretic peptide receptor (NPR); hNPR, human NPR; chNPR, chicken NPR; mNPR, mouse NPR; rNPR, rat NPR.

**Table S5.** Global inter-species comparative study of the binding affinity of natriuretic peptides.

Human NPRs						Rat NPRs					Mouse NPRs					Chicken NPRs				
NPR-A	L2	DNP	ANP	BNP	CNP	L2	ANP	DNP	BNP	CNP	ANP	DNP	BNP	L2	CNP	L2	ANP	DNP	BNP	CNP
$\Delta G^\circ$ (kcal.mol)	-25.4*	-25.0	-24.7	-18.0	-17.9	-24.0*	-24.0	-22.9	-16.9	-17.0	-28.2	-25.3	-22.5	-19.9	-18.4	-19.0*	-18.5	-16.6	-15.4	-14.6
SEM	1.0	1.3	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.8	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.8	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1
NPR-B	DNP	CNP	L2	ANP	BNP	L2	ANP	DNP	BNP	CNP	DNP	CNP	L2	ANP	BNP	L2	DNP	ANP	BNP	CNP
$\Delta G^\circ$ (kcal.mol)	-24.1	-22.0	-20.6*†	-19.4	-19.0†	-24.0	-24.0	-22.9	-17.0	-16.9	-28.4	-25.6	-23.9	-23.5	-22.4	-23.1*	-22.1	-19.6	-18.4	-16.7
SEM	0.9	0.8	0.3	0.7	0.8	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.1
NPR-C	DNP	L2	ANP	BNP	CNP	DNP	ANP	L2	CNP	BNP	ANP	L2	DNP	CNP	BNP	DNP	L2	ANP	BNP	CNP
$\Delta G^\circ$ (kcal.mol)	-25.1	-23.4*	-22.1	-18.3£	-18.2	-16.4	-16.4	-15.5*	-14.6	-14.4	-25.3	-23.0*	-21.6	-19.9	-19.5	-20.5	-20.1*	-17.9	-17.7	-15.7
SEM	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2

Data were generated by a molecular docking study using Autodock Vina software. The natriuretic peptides of each line were ranked in decreasing order of affinity to the corresponding natriuretic receptor (NPR-A, -B, -C), i.e. the lower the interaction energy between the receptor and the ligand, the better the stability of the complex. ANP, Atrial natriuretic peptide; BNP, B-type natriuretic peptide; CNP, C-type natriuretic peptide; DNP, *dendroaspis* natriuretic peptide; L2, Lebetin 2. NPR-A, natriuretic peptide receptor A; NPR-B, natriuretic peptide receptor B; NPR-C, natriuretic peptide receptor C.  $\Delta G^\circ$ , Gibbs free energy. n=3 values/condition. \*, p<0.05 *vs* corresponding BNP; †, p<0.05 *vs* corresponding NPR-A; £, p<0.05 *vs* corresponding NPR-B.

**Table S6.** Global intra-species comparative study of the binding affinity of natriuretic peptides.

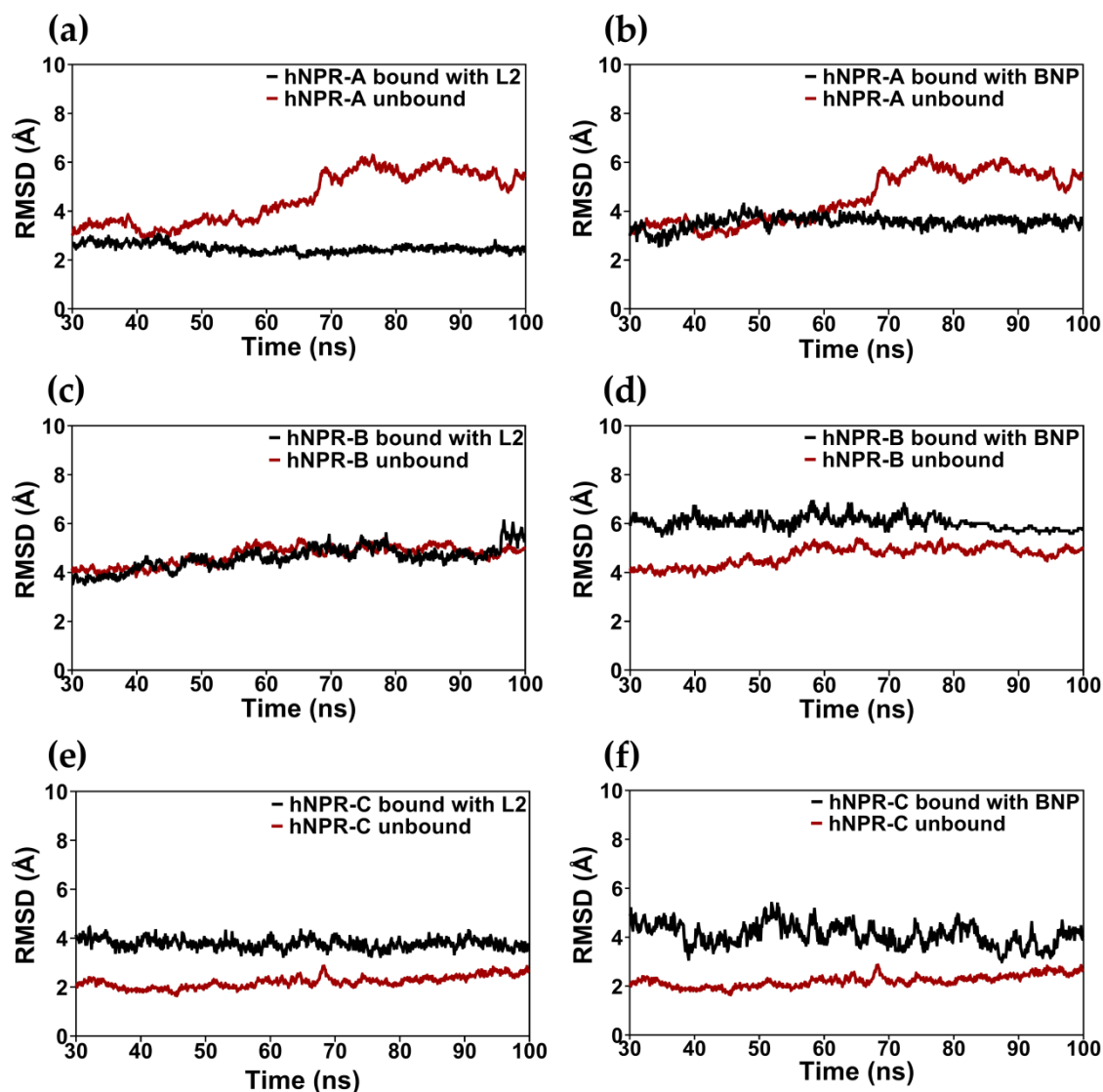
	L2			BNP			ANP			CNP			DNP		
Human	hNPR-A	hNPR-C	hNPR-B	hNPR-B	hNPR-A	hNPR-C	hNPR-A	hNPR-C	hNPR-B	hNPR-B	hNPR-C	hNPR-A	hNPR-A	hNPR-C	hNPR-B
$\Delta G^\circ$ (kcal.mol)	-24.6	-20.9†	-20.1†	-16.2	-15.8	-14.1	-22.5	-19.9	-17.3	-24.0	-14.5£	-14.2£	-24.4	-22.7	-21.9
SEM	1.0	0.7	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.1	0.8	0.6	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	1.5	0.5	0.9
Rat	rNPR-A	rNPR-B	rNPR-C	rNPR-B	rNPR-A	rNPR-C	rNPR-A	rNPR-B	rNPR-C	rNPR-B	rNPR-C	rNPR-A	rNPR-A	rNPR-B	rNPR-C
$\Delta G^\circ$ (kcal.mol)	-23.3	-17.04†	-17.0†	-16.0	-14.9£	-13.6£	-21.9	-18.8	-17.6†	-19.3	-14.3£	-13.4£	-22.3	-19.0	-18.2
SEM	1.0	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.0	0.7	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.9	0.5	0.4
Mouse	mNPR-B	mNPR-C	mNPR-A	mNPR-A	mNPR-B	mNPR-C	mNPR-A	mNPR-C	mNPR-B	mNPR-B	mNPR-C	mNPR-A	mNPR-A	mNPR-B	mNPR-C
$\Delta G^\circ$ (kcal.mol)	-18.9	-18.5	-17.9	-18.3	-15.8	-13.5†	-23.8	-19.9	-18.8	-21.5	-14.1£	-13.5£	-22.9	-21.3	-17.6†
SEM	0.4	0.5	0.4	1.0	0.2	0.1	1.2	0.5	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.3	1.0	0.4	0.1
Chicken	chNPR-B	chNPR-A	chNPR-C	chNPR-B	chNPR-A	chNPR-C	chNPR-A	chNPR-B	chNPR-C	chNPR-B	chNPR-C	chNPR-A	chNPR-C	chNPR-B	chNPR-A
$\Delta G^\circ$ (kcal.mol)	-21.5	-20.1	-19.0£	-15.0	-14.7	-14.4	-18.4	-16.7	-16.5	-17.4	-13.2£	-12.6£	-19.6	-19.2	-17.6
SEM	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.6

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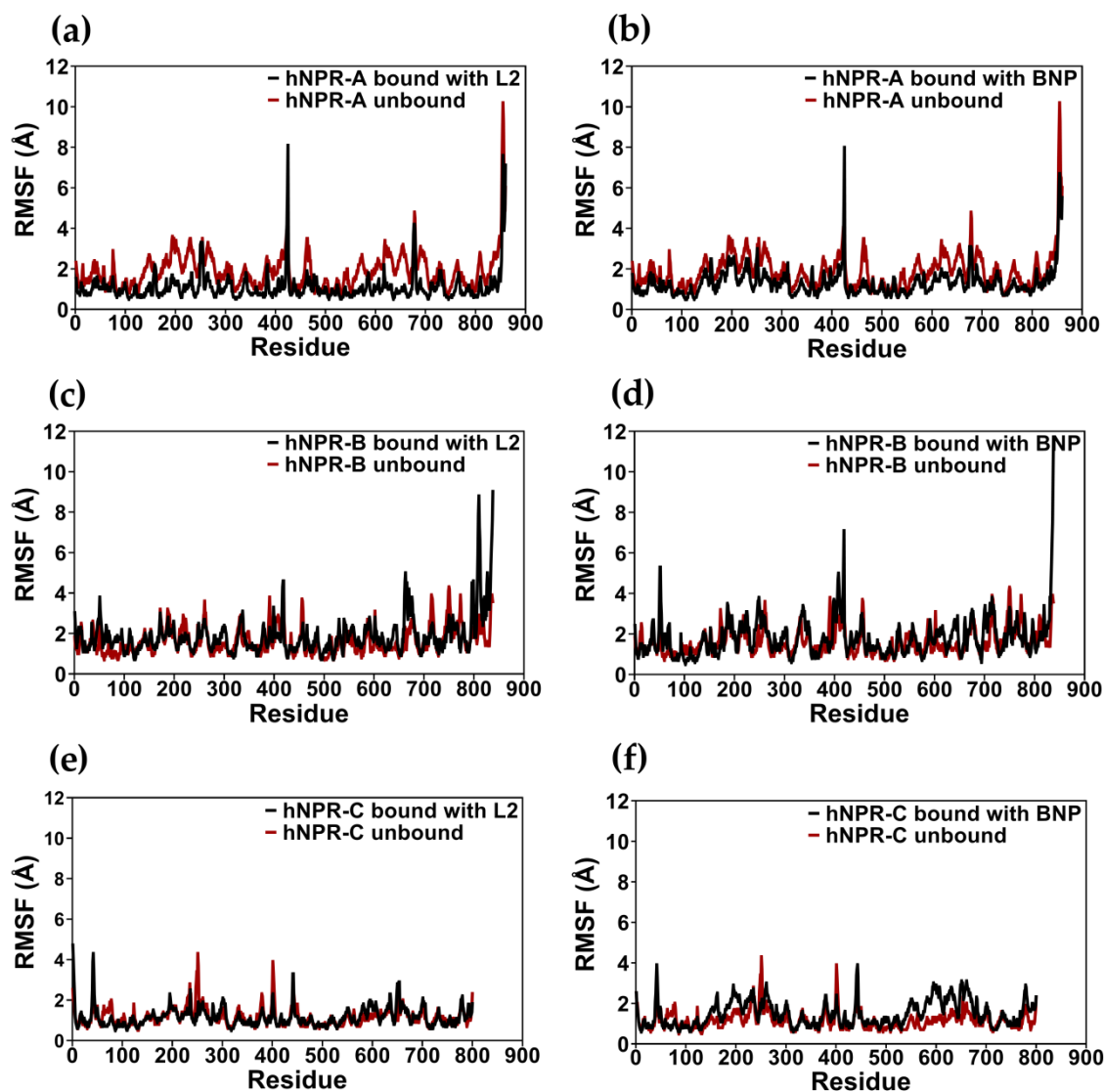
**Table S7.** Relative binding energy of natriuretic receptors-L2 and natriuretic receptors-BNP complexes (kcal/mol) using MM/PBSA method.

		hNPR-A	hNPR-B	hNPR-C
<b>L2</b>	<b>BFE</b> ( $\Delta G^\circ$ , kcal/mol)	-246.2	-248.0	-232.4*
	SEM	6.2	10,6	9.5
<b>BNP</b>	<b>BFE</b> ( $\Delta G^\circ$ , kcal/mol)	-249.3	-255.5	-200.8
	SEM	5.7	8,5	8.8

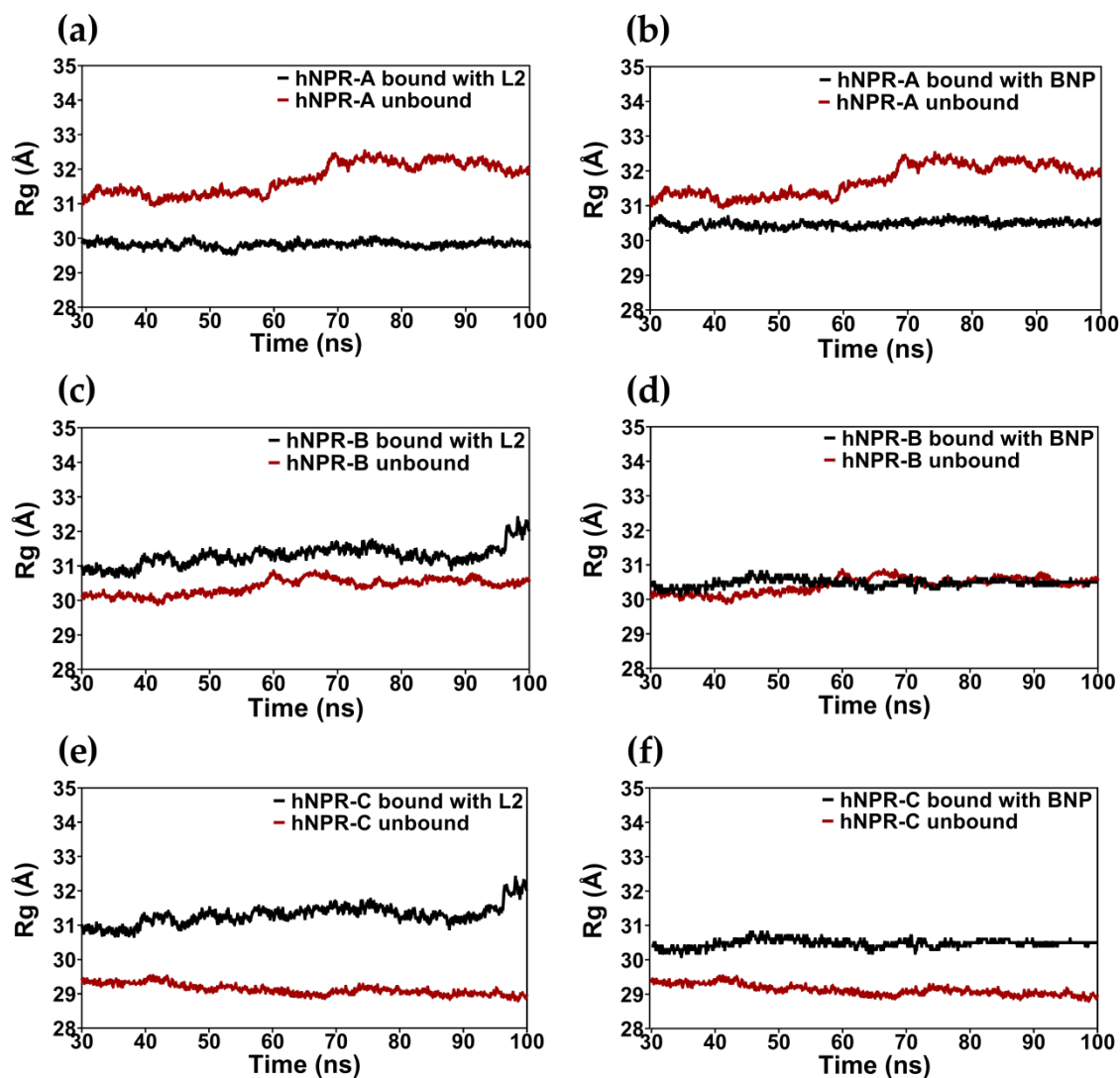
The free energy of the receptor (NPR)-ligand (NP) was generated by the molecular mechanics/Poisson-Boltzmann surface area (MM/PBSA) binding energy calculations during molecular dynamics simulation. BFE, Binding Free Energy; BNP, B-type natriuretic peptide; L2, Lebetin 2; NPR, Natriuretic peptide receptor (NPR); hNPR-A, human natriuretic peptide receptor A; hNPR-B, human natriuretic peptide receptor B; hNPR-C, human natriuretic peptide receptor C.  $\Delta G^\circ$ , Gibbs free energy. n=10 values/condition. \*,  $p < 0.05$  vs corresponding BNP.



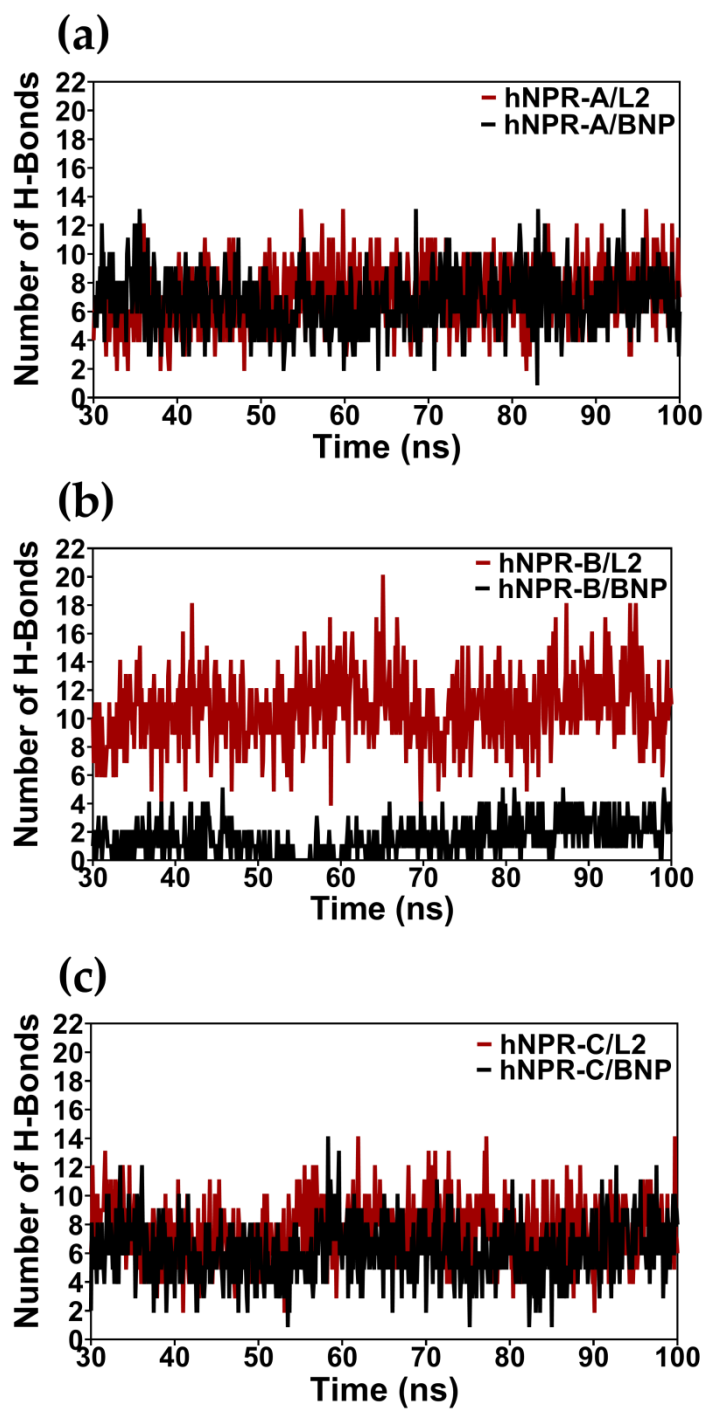
**Figure S1.** Analysis of root-mean-square deviation (RMSD) plots of human NPRs free receptor (red) and complexed receptor with NPs (black) at 70ns MD simulations. (a) RMSD plot of NPR-A unbound and bound with L2. (b) RMSD plot of NPR-A unbound and bound with BNP. (c) RMSD plot of NPR-B unbound and bound with L2. (d) RMSD plot of NPR-B unbound and bound with BNP. (e) RMSD plot of NPR-C unbound and bound with L2. (f) RMSD plot of NPR-C unbound and bound with BNP.



**Figure S2.** Analysis of root-mean-square fluctuation (RMSF) plots of human NPRs free receptor (red) and complexed receptor with NPs (black) at 70ns MD simulations. (a) RMSF plot of NPR-A unbound and bound with L2. (b) RMSF plot of NPR-A unbound and bound with BNP. (c) RMSF plot of NPR-B unbound and bound with L2. (d) RMSF plot of NPR-B unbound and bound with BNP. (e) RMSF plot of NPR-C unbound and bound with L2. (f) RMSF plot of NPR-C unbound and bound with BNP. RMSF values of the alpha carbon over the entire simulation, where the ordinate is RMSF (Å) and the abscissa is residue.

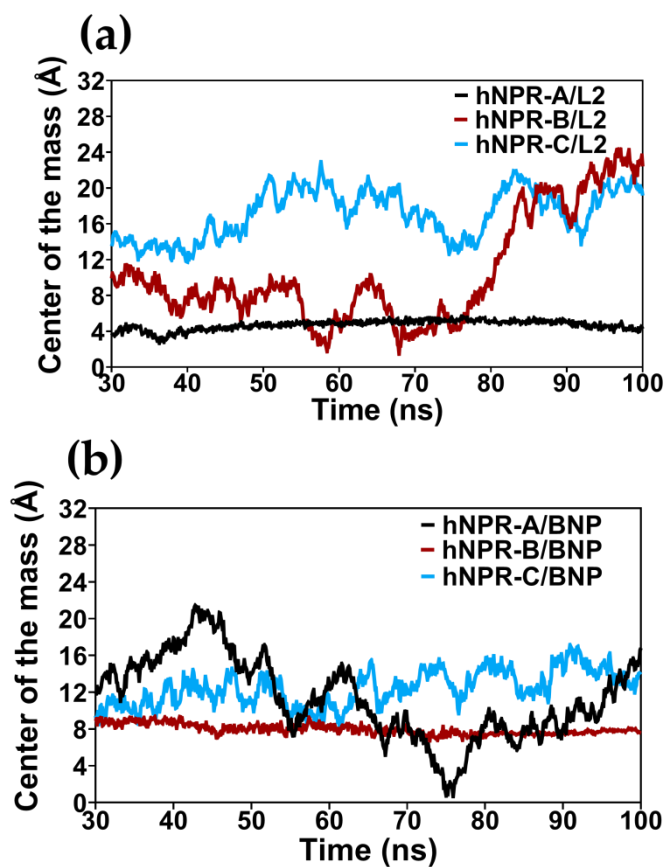


**Figure S3.** Analysis of radius of gyration (Rg) plots of human NPRs free receptor (red) and complexed receptor with NPs (black) at 70ns MD simulations. (a) Rg plot of NPR-A unbound and bound with L2. (b) Rg plot of NPR-A unbound and bound with BNP. (c) Rg plot of NPR-B unbound and bound with L2. (d) Rg plot of NPR-B unbound and bound with BNP. (e) Rg plot of NPR-C unbound and bound with L2. (f) Rg plot of NPR-C unbound and bound with BNP.

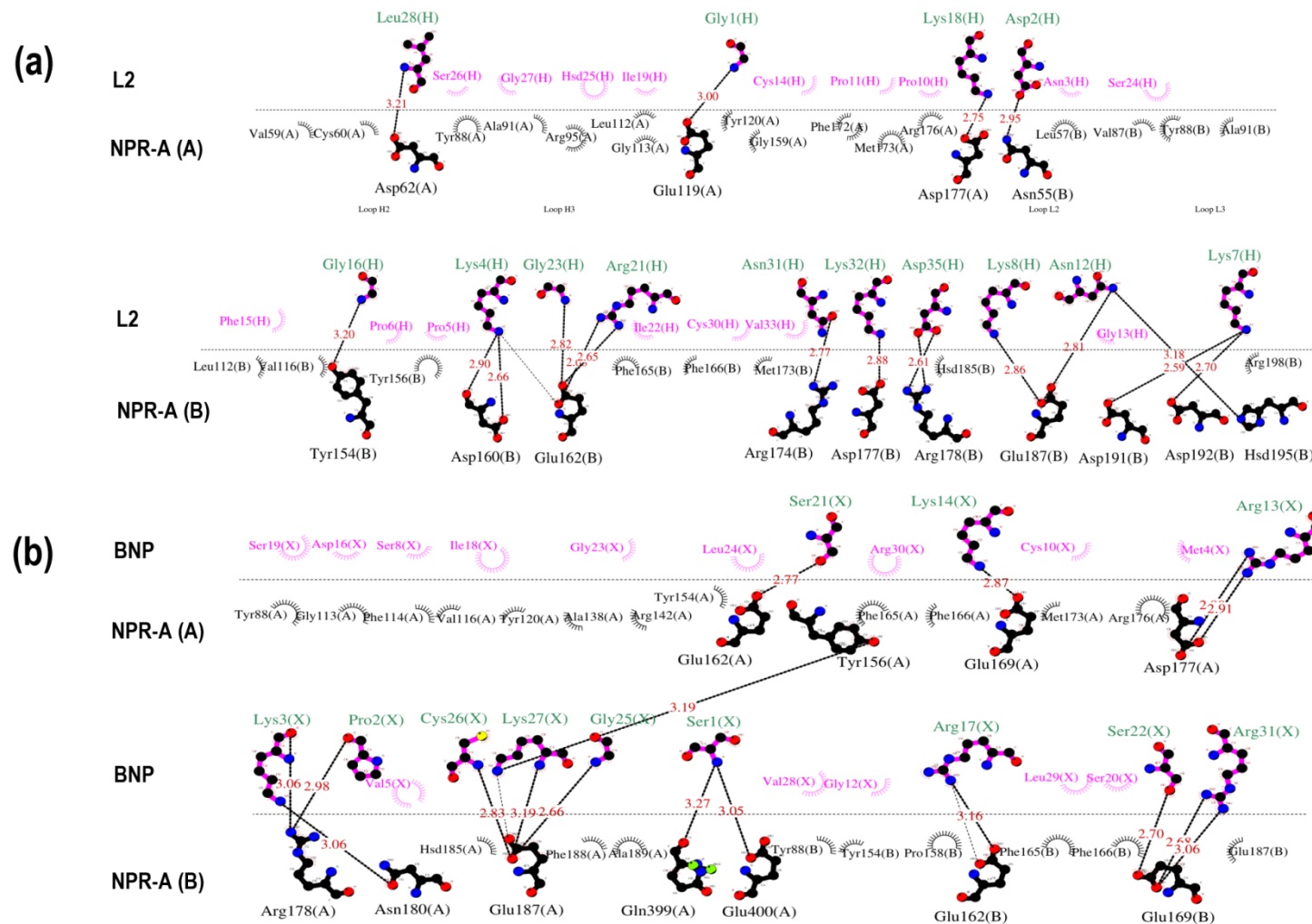


**Figure S4.** Analysis of the total number of hydrogen (H)-bond throughout the simulation of human NPRs complexed with L2 (red) or BNP (black) at 70ns MD simulations. (a) Difference in the number of H-bond between NPR-A-L2 and NPR-A-BNP complexes. (b) Difference in the number of H-bond between NPR-B-L2 and NPR-B-BNP complexes. (c) Difference in the number of H-bond between NPR-C-L2 and NPR-C-BNP complexes.

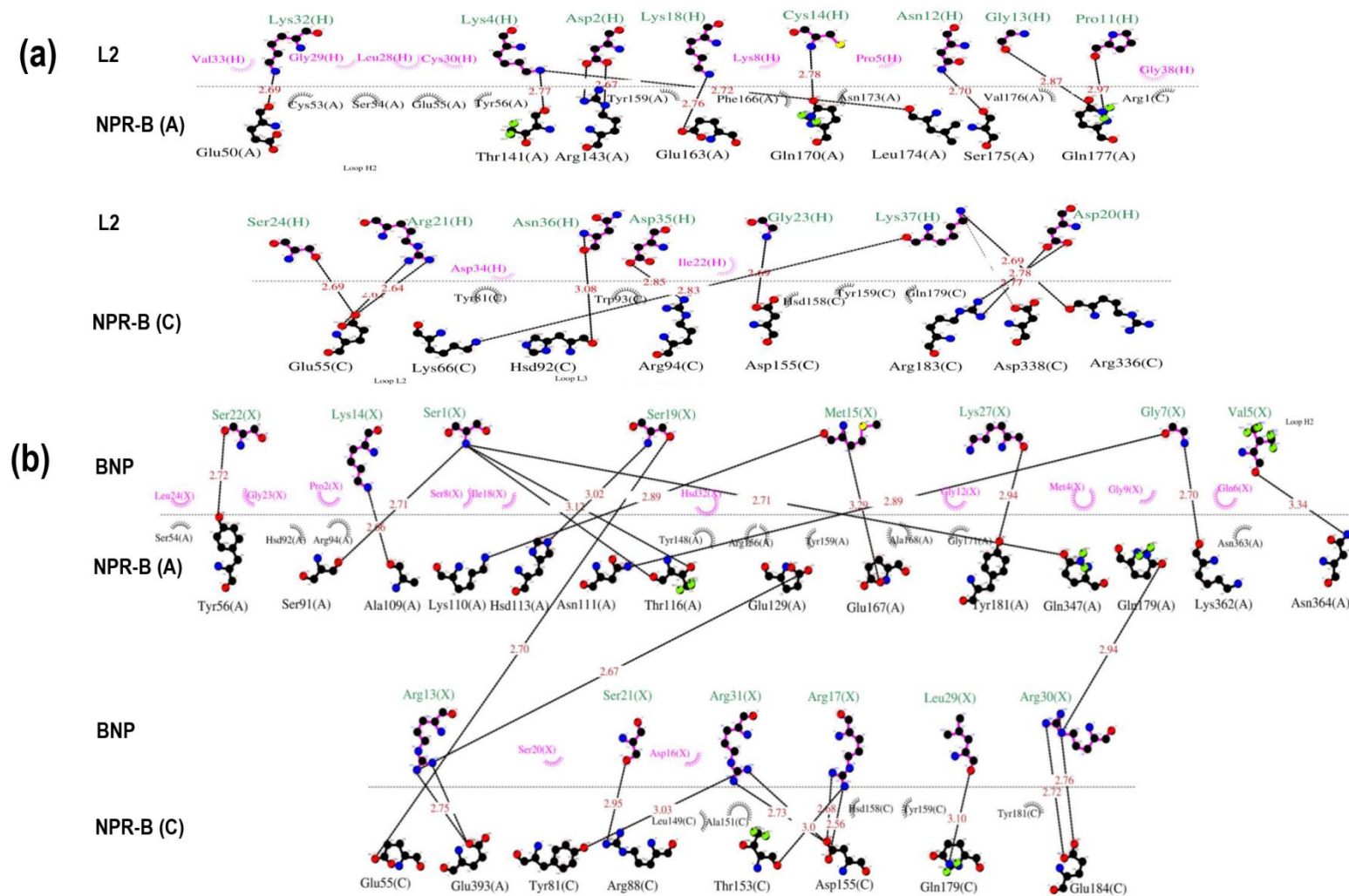




**Figure S5.** Graphical representation of the trace presenting the distance (Å) between centers of mass of NPR-A (black), NPR-B (red), NPR-C (blue) and L2 (a) and BNP (b) with the variation of the total energy during 70ns.



**Figure S6.** 2D diagrams obtained by LigPlot+ showing the interaction between (a) Lebetin 2 (L2) and (b) B-type natriuretic peptide (BNP) with the active sites of the A and B chains of NPR-A during 100ns of molecular dynamics simulation.



**Figure S7.** 2D diagrams obtained by LigPlot+ showing the interaction between (a) Lebetin 2 (L2) and (b) B-type natriuretic peptide (BNP) with the active sites of the A and C chains of NPR-B during 100ns of molecular dynamics simulation.

