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IDENTIFICATION OF SUBSTITUTED 4, 7-DIHYDROY-8-(4-METHYL-1H-BENZO [B] [1, 4] DIAZEPIN-2-YL)-3-PHENYL-CHROMEN-2-ONE ANALOGUES AS ANTIMICROBIAL AGENTS, MOLECULAR DOCKING AND PHARMACOKINETIC EVALUATION

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ABSTRACT:

Antibacterial activity of a set of eleven (11) substituted benzodiazapine- chromene-2-ones on gram-positive bacteria (*Bacillus licheniformis, Bacillus subtilis, and Staphylococcus aureus*) and gram-negative bacteria (*Escherichia coli, Klebsiella pneumonia and Pseudomonas aeruginosa*) were performed. The compounds were also tested on fungal species (*Aspergilusniger, Candida albicans, Fusariumoxysporum, Fusariumsolani*). Docking analysis was accomplished to expertise the formational features and binding mechanism of synthesized different 4, 7-Dihydroy-8-(4-Methyl-1h-Benzo [B] [1, 4] Diazepin-2-yl)-3-phenyl-chromen-2-one analogues and were docked against the structures of *Staphylococcus aureus* DNA gyrase (PDB ID: 3G7B) and *Candidapespsin-5* through *Candida albicans* (PDB ID: 2QZX). The structures of derivatives were sketched using Chemdraw Ultra 12.0.2 and they are converted to pdb format using babel conversion tool. Autodock Vina of PyRx was used for molecular docking studies. All synthesized derivatives had shown interactions with binding energies. Pharmacokinetic evaluation results indicate the compounds possess drug-likeness properties.

KEY WORDS: PyRx, Benzodiazepine-chromene-2-ones, Antibacterial, Molecular docking studies

INTRODUCTION:

Due to their potent pharmacological properties, 1, 5-Benzodiazepines and their analogues have been studied widely by chemists¹. They are mostly employed as antianxiety, antidepressive, anticonvulsant, hypnotic, analgesic, anti-inflammatory and sedative agents¹¹. On the other hand, 1, 5-benzodiazepine analogues are vital building blocks which can be employed for the formation of various fused cyclic ring compounds like pyrolo-, oxadiazolo-, triazolo-, oxazinoor furanobenzodiazepines¹¹¹. Hence, the research studies in this field are still ongoing actively aiming for the preparation of novel molecules with increased therapeutical properties¹¹². The

benzodiazepine analogue Lofendazam ^v in which nitrogen atoms are located at 1 and 5 positions in ring. The lofendazam exhibits close similarity with the different 1, 5-benzodiazepine like clobazam ^{vi, vii}. The drug Lofendazam exhibits sedative and anziolytic properties like other benzodiazepine analogues. It functions as an active metabolite compound for arfendazam, another benzodiazepine ^{viii}. The benzodiazepines are a set of molecules which act upon CNS. They specifically act on the gamma-amino butyric acid-A receptors present in the brain. This increases response to neurotransmitter GABA, making nerve cell to acquire negative charge and tolerant to excitation ^{ix}. The coumarine molecules are the main class of natural molecules and set up a group of medicinally active agents.

Most coumarin analogs have pharmacological properties in a broad range like anti-helminthic, hypnotic, anti-insecticidal, anti-coagulant & anticoronary vasodilator. The substituted coumarin molecules exhibits antibacterial ^{x-xii}, antioxidant ^{xiii-xiv}, antinflammatory ^{xv-xvi} and antitumor properties ^{xvii-xviii}. The derivatives of coumarins have also exhibited CNS depressant and anti-HIV ^{xix}. Thus, the focus of the current research was to examine the bio reactivity of an eleven (11) novel benzidiazapin-chromene-2-ones on gram-positive bacteria (GPB) and gramnegative bacteria (GNB).

The compounds were also tested on fungal species. The aimed and newer molecules (11a-k) were also docked against the structure of Staphylococcus aureus DNA gyrase crystal (PDB ID: 3G7B) and candidapespsin-5 from Candida albicans (PDB ID: 2QZX), thus, affording information for a better optimization of these classes of compounds as potential antimicrobial agents.

In addition to our research on the discovery of bioactive heterocyclic molecules and their biological evaluation of coumarin-based derivatives ^{xx, xxi} and their activity against antimicrobial activity, we are making efforts on research and studies of many new molecules providing evidence that the introduction of moieties like substituted aryl groups increases the antimicrobial activity by increasing the lipophilicity of the molecule, resulting in greater penetration into cells.

EXPERIMENTAL:

In vitro Anti-microbial assay.

A solution (1mg/mL) of test compound in DMSO was infused on sterilized standard discs of filter paper. The size of each filter paper disc was 5mm. The discs of filter paper were immersed with the aimed compound and were added to an agar plate inserted onto the aimed organism. Triplicate was maintained for each test. *Ciprofloxacin* was used as a standard anti-bacterial medicine & *Nystatin* as a standard anti-fungal medicine. Only DMSO was employed as control at the same concentrations. All the petri plates were allowed to incubate at 37^oC for a period of one to five days. The microbial culture sensitive to a compound will not show growth around the disc impregnated with that compound. This is observed as a zone of inhibition around the disc. The antimicrobial property was evaluated by determining the zone diameter listed in Table 1 & 3 respectively. The aimed molecules (discs) which exhibited significant zones of inhibitions around them (300) were further analyzed to determine their MIC measurement. *MIC measurement*

To determine the microbial MIC vulnerability, tests on nutrients and dextrose broths were employed. The solvent DMSO was used to prepare the stock solutions (0.001g/ml) of *Ciprofloxacin* (standard antibacterial agent), *Nystatin* (standard antifungal agent) & aimed compounds. The dilute solutions were prepared at concentrations ranging from 25 to 250μ g per ml. The microbial suspension cultures were immunized on to the plate of agar and then the disc of the aimed compound & control was placed on the surface of agar listed in Table 2 & 4 respectively for selective compounds.

Molecular Docking Studies

Molecular docking is a computer-aided tool for recognizing the binding correlations between a ligand and receptor. In the current research, the aimed molecules were evaluated for molecular docking studies and PyRx ^{xxii} virtual screening tool was used for docking studies. The PyRx wizard uses Autodock 4.2 and Autodock Vina docking tools which are embedded in it. It contributes to higher docking efficiency and accuracy. Autodock Vina uses a scoring function with efficient optimization and multithreading ^{xxiii}.

Hardware and Software: PyRx virtual screening tool is software installed in a computer system configured with Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-8250U CPU @ 1.60GHz 1.80 GHz processor and RAM capacity of 8.00GB.The aimed molecules were drawn using software ChemSketch in .mol format, and converted to PDB format using a tool Open Babel GUI.

To recognize the extent of binding between aimed molecules and target proteins, the structure of Staphylococcus aureus DNA gyrase (PDB ID: 3G7B) and candidapespsin-5 from Candida albicans (PDB ID: 2QZX) crystals were taken from the protein database. At first, protein molecules were prepared with the Biovia discovery studio; water molecules and existing ligands in the active pocket were removed and saved to the PDB file. Then the target proteins are loaded into the PyRx tool and saved as a PBDQT file using the Autodock command. The ligands were loaded into PyRx using Open Babel GUI input wizard. The energies of ligands were minimized and converted to PDBQT file format. The AutodockVina wizard was used to perform docking simulations after setting up a grid box onto the active site of the target molecule. The active site pocket of target molecules was determined from the inhibitors demonstrated in the crystal structures. From the docking procedure, conformations were ranked according to their binding energy and the confirmation with the lowest binding energy was considered as the best docking score. The docking results were visualized using Pymol and Biovia Discovery Studio Visualizer.

Pharmacokinetics

SwissADME web server protocol ^{xxiv} was used for pharmacokinetics evaluation of compounds **11a-k**.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION:

Antibacterial activity of compounds 11a-k

Antibacterial properties of the newly prepared derivatives (**11a-k**) were tested on Gram-Positive bacteria (GPB) (*Bacillus licheniformis, Bacillus subtilis, and Staphylococcus aureus*) and Gram-Negative bacteria (GNB) (*Escherichia coli, Klebsiella pneumonia and Pseudomonas aeruginosa*). Ciprofloxacin is used as standard medicine.



Fig 1. Structures of compounds evaluated.

 TABLE 1: Inhibition Zone (in 10⁻³m) (antibacterial activity) values for compounds 11a- k

 Inhibition Zone (in 10⁻³m)

| | Gram -Neg | gative bacter | ria | Gram-Positive bacteria | | | | | |
|--------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|--|------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|--|--|--|
| Test compound Code | Escheric hia Coli | Klebsiell a pneumo nia | Klebsiell a Pseudomonasaerugi E pneumo nosa r nia | | Bacil us subtili s | Staphylococ cus aureus | | | |
| 11a | 14 | 23 | 12 | 23 | 27 | 23 | | | |
| 11b | 22 | 14 | 20 | 22 | 20 | 53 | | | |
| 11c | 10 | 13 | 00 | 04 | 21 | 06 | | | |
| 11d | 11 | 11 | 16 | 15 | 12 | 12 | | | |
| 11e | 12 | 11 | 05 | 14 | 12 | 16 | | | |
| 11f | 00 | 00 | 00 | 05 | 13 | 00 | | | |
| 11g | 22 | 22 | 22 | 23 | 25 | 20 | | | |
| 11h | 09 | 13 | 14 | 05 | 12 | 15 | | | |
| 11i | 22 | 22 | 20 | 23 | 21 | 26 | | | |
| 11j | 21 | 22 | 12 | 13 | 23 | 20 | | | |
| 11k | 20 | 09 | 00 | 00 | 00 | 12 | | | |

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| Ciprofloxa cin (std) | 26 | 24 | 25 | 24 | 23 | 25 |
|-------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Contro (1%DMS O) | 00 | 00 | 00 | 00 | 00 | 00 |

TABLE 2: Minimal inhibitory concentrations (MICs) (in $10^{-6}g/mL$) values for compounds 11-a/b/g/i/j/k.

| | Minimal ir | hibitory co | ncentrations (| MICs) (in 10 | ⁻⁶ g/mL) | | | |
|----------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|--|--|
| | Gram-nega | ative bacter | ia | Gram-posi | tive bacteria | | | |
| Test Compound Code | Escherich ia Coli | Klebsiell a pneumon ia | Pseudomon as aeruginosa | Bacillus lichenifor ms | Bacill us subtili s | Staphylococc us aureus | | |
| 11a | 43 | 76 | 152 | 104 | 62 | 73 | | |
| 11b | 22 | 52 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 75 | | |
| 11g | 23 | 23 | 53 | 23 | 22 | 53 | | |
| 11i | 152 | 103 | 53 | 146 | 132 | 83 | | |
| 11j | 24 | 43 | 30 | 24 | 26 | 73 | | |
| 11j | 22 | 09 | 00 | 00 | 00 | 12 | | |
| Ciprofloxac in (std) | 25 | 25 | 25 | 25 | 25 | 25 | | |
| Control (1%DMSO) | 00 | 00 | 00 | 00 | 00 | 00 | | |

Compounds **11a**, **11b** and **11g** exhibited potent anti-bacterial activity (>20mm) on all the six bacteria (Table 1). From the screening results, it is revealed that the presence of chloro and fluoro groups of the phenyl ring enhances the antibacterial activity. However, compound 11a also showed good activity. The compounds **11a** and **11i** showed six times more activity against the *Pseudomonasaeruginosa* and *Escherichia Coli* respectively. The compound **11g** showed better activity against *Bacillus licheniforms, Bacillus subtilis*, and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* may be attributed to the liphophlic group. The compound **11c** is shown good to moderate antibacterial activity (>20mm) against all six bacterial strains. The compounds **11c** and **11f** were not shown any activity against *Pseudomonas aeruginosa, Escherichia Coli, Klebsiella pneumonia, Staphylococcus aureus, Bacillus licheniforms & Bacillus subtilis*. The minimal inhibitory concentrations of molecules (11a) and (11g) are good potent (200-25 µg/ml) showed in Table 2.3.2.

| Inhibition zone (in 10 ⁻³ m) (anti-fungal activity) | | | | | | | | | |
|--|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Test compound Code | Aspergillus niger | Candida albicans | Fusarium oxysporum | Fusarium Solani | | | | | |
| 11a | 05 | 15 | 17 | 04 | | | | | |
| 11b | 23 | 15 | 22 | 15 | | | | | |
| 11c | 04 | 12 | 06 | 15 | | | | | |
| 11d | 12 | 03 | 11 | 00 | | | | | |
| 11e | 00 | 04 | 00 | 06 | | | | | |
| 11f | 07 | 13 | 04 | 03 | | | | | |
| 11g | 22 | 21 | 24 | 23 | | | | | |
| 11h | 18 | 08 | 10 | 09 | | | | | |
| 11i | 08 | 04 | 14 | 06 | | | | | |
| 11j | 08 | 06 | 12 | 08 | | | | | |
| 11k | 05 | 09 | 03 | 06 | | | | | |
| Nystatin | 22 | 22 | 23 | 20 | | | | | |
| Control (1%DMSO) | 00 | 00 | 00 | 00 | | | | | |

Anti-fungal activity of compounds (11a-k) TABLE-3: Inhibition zone (in 10⁻³m) (anti-fungal activity) values for compounds (11a-k) Inhibition zone (in 10⁻³m) (anti-fungal activity)

TABLE 4: Minimal inhibitory concentrations (MICs) (in $10^{-6}g/mL$) values for compounds 11 (a, b, g, i, j)

| Minimal inhibitory concentrations (MIC) values (in 10 ⁻⁶ g/mL) | | | | | | | | |
|---|------------------------------|------|-----------------------|--------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Compound Code | compoundAspergilluscodeniger | | Fusarium oxysporum | Fusarium Solani | | | | |
| 11a | 122 | 1325 | 153 | 153 | | | | |
| 11b | 21 | 22 | 24 | 53 | | | | |
| 11g | 133 | 173 | 172 | 102 | | | | |
| Nystatin | 25 | 25 | 25 | 25 | | | | |
| Control (1%DMSO) | 00 | 00 | 00 | 00 | | | | |

The aimed molecules (**11a-k**) were examined on fungal species (*Aspergilus Niger, Candida albicans, Fusarium oxysporum, Fusarium solani*) using Nystatin as a reference drug and the inhibition values of the zone are presented in Table 3. Out of eleven products tested for antifungal activity, the compounds with more electronegative substituents were (11g) shown higher activity against *Fusarium oxysporum* and *Candida albicance* than the standard of Nystatin. The compounds with fluoro (11b) also exhibited maximum activity against *Fusarium Solani* and *Candida albicance* respectively. Nearly all the tested compounds from 11a-k displayed potent activity. It may be attributed that the whole molecular system is responsible for the activity. The compounds (11e) have not shown any activity against *Aspergilusniger, Fusarium Oxysporum* and the activity of all target test compounds are revealed in Table 3. The

Minimam inhibitory concentration values of products (11a), (11g) (200-25 μ g/ml) were shown in Table 4.

Antibacterial Docking Study

Staphylococcus aureus DNA gyrase (PDB ID: 3G7B) is chosen as an important target for drug discovery as it plays an important role in the replication of bacterial DNA ^{xxv}. The 3G7B active site pocket is occupied by amino acid residues, namely Asn54, Asp81, Arg84, Gly85, Ile86, Pro87, Ile102, Arg144 and Thr173^{xxvi}. The grid box was configured with dimensions of 17.204 x 23.169 x 19.309 A⁰ (X, Y, Z) and grid coordinates 48.135, -5.647 and 19.453 A⁰ were assigned to cover all the active sites on DNA gyrase. To understand ligand – receptor binding interactions, all newly synthesized molecules and the standard molecule ciprofloxacin were docked into the binding pocket of a DNA gyrase. Each newly synthesized molecule and the standard compound ciprofloxacin were dumped into the binding pocket of the DNA gyrase to understand the ligand - receptor binding interactions. All the compounds have exemplified better docking results and binding interactions than reference drug ciprofloxacin. The binding affinity scores of aimed molecules **11a-k** were ranging from -7.5 to -8.6 Kcal /mol whereas ciprofloxacin scored about -7.7 Kcal /mol (table 5).

| | Binding | Interacting amino | acids |
|---------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Compound | Affinity (Kcal/mol) | H-bond | Hydrophobic |
| 11a | -8.0 | Glu58, Ile86, Thr173 | Ile51, Asp57, Ile86, Leu103, Ile175 |
| 11b | -8.1 | Asn54, Ser55 | Ile51, Asp81, Ile86, Pro87, Ile102, Leu103 |
| 11c | -8.3 | Asn54 | Asn54, Glu58, Arg84, Ile86, Pro87, Ile102, Leu103, Ser129 |
| 11d | -8.6 | | Asn54, Glu58, Arg84, Ile86, Pro87, Ile102, Leu103 |
| 11e | -7.8 | Asn54, Ser55 | Ile51, Asp57, Glu58, Asp81, Ile86, Pro87, Ile175 |
| 11f | -8.4 | Asn54, Val130, Val131 | Asp57, Ile86 |
| 11g | -7.7 | Asn54 | Asp57, Ile86, Val130, Val131 |
| 11h | -8.5 | Asp57 | Ile51, Glu58, Arg84, Ile86, Pro87, Ile102, Leu103, Ser129, Ile175 |
| 11i | -7.5 | Ser128 | Gly85, Ile86, Pro87, Ile102, Leu103 |
| 11j | -7.8 | Asn54 | Glu50, Ile86, Ile102, Val130 |
| 11k | -7.8 | Asn54 | Asn54, Asp57, Ile86, Val131 |
| Ciprofloxacin | -7.7 | | Glu58, Asp81, Ile86, Pro87 |

TABLE 5: Binding affinities of compounds (11a-k) and interacting amino acids of staphylococcus aureus DNA gyrase (PDB ID: 3G7B)

Molecule **11d** scored the highest binding affinity, about -8.6 Kcal/mol and it, by only hydrophobic interactions with DNA gyrase (PDB ID: 3G7B). The amino acids Asn54, Glu58, Arg84, Ile86, Pro87, Ile102 and Leu103 of DNA gyrase were involved in the hydrophobic interactions (fig 2, 3).

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FIGURE 2: Hydrophobic surface and docking pose of hydrophobic surface of **molecule 11d** with DNA gyrase (PDB ID: 3G7B)



FIGURE 3: 2D reciprocity of molecule 11d with DNA gyrase (PDB ID: 3G7B)

Molecule **11h** scored the second highest binding affinity at about -8.5 Kcal/mol and the Hbond interaction was demonstrated with amino acid Asp57 and hydrophobic interactions with Ile51, Glu58, Arg84, Ile86, Pro87, Ile102, Leu103, Ser129, Ile175 of DNA gyrase (PDB ID: 3G7B)(fig4, 5).



FIGURE 4: H-bond surface and docking pose **molecule 11h** with DNA gyrase (PDB ID: 3G7B)



FIGURE 5: 2D reciprocity of **molecule 11h** with DNA gyrase (PDB ID: 3G7B). The standard reference *Ciprofloxacin* scored a binding affinity value of about -7.7 Kcal/mol and demonstrated only hydrophobic interactions with the amino acids Glu58, Asp81, Ile86 and Pro87 of DNA gyrase (fig6, 7).



FIGURE 6: Hydrophobic surface and docking pose of *Ciprofloxacin* with DNA gyrase (PDB ID: 3G7B).



FIGURE 7: 2D reciprocity of *Ciprofloxacin* with DNA gyrase (PDB ID: 3G7B)

Antifungal Docking Study

Candida pepsins play an important role in proteolytic activity of C. albicans and hence it was chosen as target ^{xxvii}. The active site pocket of candida pespsin-5 was well defined by the inhibitor pepstatin (PRD-000557) present in the crystal structure. It demonstrated H-bond

interactions with amino acids Asp32, Gly34, Lys83, Gly85, Asp86, Asp218, Gly220, Thr222 and hydrophobic interactions with Ile82, Tyr84, Ile123, Lys192, Lys193, Tyr225 of candidapespin-5 (fig8).



FIGURE 8: 2D reciprocity of pepstatin in the crystal structure of candidapespsin-5 (PDB ID: 2QZX)

The grid box was configured with dimensions of 25.968 x 23.434 x 26.359 A^0 (X, Y, Z) and grid coordinates 5.337, 33.300 and 26.396 A^0 were assigned to cover all the active sites on candidapepsin-5. All the newly synthesized molecules and reference drug nystatin were docked into the active site pocket of 2QZX. Except **molecule 11k**, all the molecules have exhibited better docking scores than reference compound nystatin. The docking scores of **molecules 11a** – **k** were ranging from -9.7 to -10.8 Kcal /mol whereas the nystatin scored about -9.8 Kcal /mol (table-6).

| | Binding | Interacting amino acids | | | | | |
|----------|------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Compound | Affinity (Kcal/mol) | H-bond | Hydrophobic | | | | |
| 11a | -10.4 | Asp32, Gly34, Tyr225 | Gly85, Asp86, Asp218, Tyr225 | | | | |
| 11b | -10.6 | Asp32, Asp86, Tyr225 | Gly85, Asp86, Asp218, Tyr225 | | | | |
| 11c | -10.7 | Asp32, Asp86, Tyr225 | Ile12, Trp51, Gly85, Asp86, Lys193, Asp218, Tyr225 | | | | |
| 11d | -10.7 | Gly34, Tyr225 | Ile12, Trp51, Gly85, Asp86, Lys193, Asp218, Tyr225 | | | | |
| 11e | -10.3 | Asp32, Asp86, Tyr225 | Ile12, Trp51, Gly85, Asp86, Lys193, Asp218, Tyr225 | | | | |
| 11f | -10.5 | Asp32, Trp51, Asp86, Tyr225 | Gly85, Asp86, Asp218, Tyr225 | | | | |
| 11g | -10.6 | Asp86, Tyr225 | Ile12, Trp51, Gly85, Asp86, Lys193, Asp218, Tyr225 | | | | |
| 11h | -10.8 | Asp32, Asp86, Tyr225 | Ile12, Trp51, Gly85, Asp86, Lys193, Asp218, Tyr225 | | | | |
| 11i | -10.8 | Asp32, Asp86, Tyr225 | Ile12, Trp51, Gly85, Asp86, Lys193, Asp218, Tyr225 | | | | |
| 11j | -10.2 | Gly34, Tyr225 | Gly85, Asp86, Lys193, Asp218, Tyr225 | | | | |
| 11k | -9.7 | Gly220, Thr222 | Ile30, Gly85, Asp86, Ala119, Arg120, Arg123, Thr221, Tyr225 | | | | |

 TABLE 6: Binding affinities of compounds (11a-k) and interacting amino acids of candidapespin-5 (PDB ID: 2QZX)

| Nystatin | -9.8 | Thr13, Thr222, Tyr225 | Trp51, Arg120, Ile223 |
|----------|------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
|----------|------|--------------------------|-----------------------|

Molecules **11h and 11i** scored the highest binding affinity, about -10.8 Kcal/mol towards candidapepsin-5. They demonstrated H-bond interactions with the amino acids Asp32, Asp86, Tyr225 and hydrophobic interactions with Ile12, Trp51, Gly85, Asp86, Lys193, Asp218, Tyr225 of 2QZW (fig9,10,11,12).



FIGURE 9: H-bond surface and Docking pose of **molecule 11h** with candidapespsin-5 (PDB ID: 2QZX)



FIGURE 10: 2D reciprocity of molecule 11h with candidapespsin-5 (PDB ID: 2QZX)



FIGURE 11: H-bond surface and Docking pose of **molecule 11i** with candidapepsin-5 (PDB ID: 2QZX)



FIGURE 12: 2D reciprocity of molecule 11i with candidapepsin-5 (PDB ID: 2QZX)

The reference drug nystatin was scored binding affinity value about -9.8 Kcal/mol and it was demonstrated H-bond interactions with amino acids Thr13, Thr222, Tyr225 and hydrophobic interactions with Trp51, Arg120, Ile223 of candidapespin-5 (fig13,14).



FIGURE 13: H-bond surface and Docking pose of *Nystatin* with candidapepsin-5 (PDB ID: 2QZX)



FIGURE 14: 2D reciprocity of Nystatin with candidapepsin-5 (PDB ID: 2QZX)

Pharmacokinetics

Oral bioactivity such as Absorption, Distribution, Metabolism and Excretion properties study is important for development of new drug candidates. The calculated drug-likeness properties of the studied compounds **11a-k** shown in **Table-7.** All the tested compounds have molecular

weight below 410.42 - 490.31 g/mol. The molecular weight characteristics of these molecules suggested that they can easily be transported, diffused, and absorbed in the body in a significant manner ^{xxviii}. The Log P value of the compounds were found to be in the range of 2.7 - 3.36, which meet the essential conditions of the Lipinski's rule of five ^{xxix}. The calculated number of H-bond acceptors of all the molecules were less than ten which is in accordance with ADME as the number of hydrogen bond acceptors must be <10. Bioavailability score of 0.55 suggested that these molecules can be absorbed and used by body ^{xxx}. Synthetic accessibility scores recommended the ease of synthesis of these molecules ^{xxxi}.

| Compound | Molecular Weight | Rotatable bonds | H-bond acceptors | H-bond donors | Molar Refractivity | TPSA | iLOGP | ESOL Log S | GI absorption | Lipinski violations | Bioavailability Score | Synthetic Accessibility |
|----------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------|--------------------|--------|-------|------------|---------------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| 11a | 410.42 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 129.05 | 95.06 | 2.95 | -5.17 | High | 0 | 0.55 | 4.2 |
| 11b | 428.41 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 129.00 | 95.06 | 3.01 | -5.33 | High | 0 | 0.55 | 4.15 |
| 11c | 444.87 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 134.06 | 95.06 | 3.2 | -5.77 | High | 0 | 0.55 | 4.16 |
| 11d | 424.45 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 134.01 | 95.06 | 3.52 | -5.47 | High | 0 | 0.55 | 4.3 |
| 11e | 440.45 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 135.54 | 104.29 | 3.66 | -5.24 | High | 0 | 0.55 | 4.32 |
| 11f | 455.42 | 3 | 7 | 3 | 137.87 | 140.88 | 2.7 | -5.23 | High | 0 | 0.55 | 4.31 |
| 11g | 489.32 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 136.75 | 95.06 | 3.34 | -6.08 | High | 0 | 0.55 | 4.24 |
| 11h | 479.31 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 139.07 | 95.06 | 3.56 | -6.36 | High | 0 | 0.55 | 4.16 |
| 11i | 438.47 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 138.98 | 95.06 | 3.43 | -5.77 | High | 0 | 0.55 | 4.41 |
| 11j | 411.41 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 126.84 | 107.95 | 2.9 | -5.09 | High | 0 | 0.55 | 4.18 |
| 11k | 490.31 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 134.54 | 107.95 | 3.55 | -6.21 | High | 0 | 0.55 | 4.21 |

TABLE-7: Drug-likeness properties of compounds **11a-k**

CONCLUSION:

Compounds **11a**, **11b** and **11g** exhibited potent antimicrobial activity against both bacteria and fungi comparable to standard drugs ciprofloxacin and nystatin. Docking scores of all synthesized compounds are higher than the reference compounds ciprofloxacin and nystatin and well in agreement with cell line studies. The best confirmers of **11d**, **11h**, **11f** and **11c** have exhibited best docking scores and binding interactions with *Staphylococcus aureus* DNA gyrase. The best confirmers of **11h**, **11i**, **11c**, **11d**, **11b** and **11f** were demonstrated H-bond and hydrophobic interactions with candidapepsin-5 of *Candida Albicans*. The pharmacokinetic evaluation revealed that these compounds have favorable drug-likeness properties to be considered for investigation.

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