

Pharmacological analysis for prepared novel Leads of Thiolactomycin standard targeting regulation of FabB enzyme in *P. falciparum*: An *In-silico* study

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ABSTRACT

The biosynthesis of Fatty acid enzymes (Fab enzyme) are universal in nature and remains an useful existence as important target to develop the antimalarial drug. It has been postulated that it raised throughout the erythrocytic phase of parasite life cycle. The present study predicts the screening methods for toxicity level of designed novel analogues which repress FabB enzyme regulation, a protein which shows multifunctional property in nature, through computational approach. The Chem Draw Ultra 10 Software has been used to prepare novel analogues which further converted into 3D PDB structure. The FabB protein has been retrieved from RCSB PDB tool. Then ADMET profiling for prediction of toxicity and Lipinski's rule of 5 has been executed on designed analogues. The result declares that TH-21, may play an potential lead which can demonstrate the topological potential towards prohibition at active site of FabB enzyme and thus promotes regarding less toxicity outlining.

Keywords: Lipinski's rule, Chem Draw, FabB, Thiolactomycin, analogues.

INTRODUCTION

The most remarkable tropical parasitic disease is malaria^[1]. The World Health Organization (WHO) admits that around 300–500 million susceptible clinical malarial cases every year and around 1 million deaths to be found every year^[1]. The poorest populations are more prone to malaria in the World and it is expanded over in Africa, Asia, and in several South American countries. The four types of Plasmodium species are responsible for malaria, but Plasmodium *falciparum* is overall substantial for the most serious and deadly form of the disease and is significant for malaria-related deaths up to 90% in Africa^[1]. Malarial assistance is most and wide preference to the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the implication ways to the calls of complicity for multiple steps to hook this world-wide problem. At present the medicinal diagnose procedure are concentrating in three main areas: (a) vaccine development, (b) drug development, and (c) pathogenesis. There is a constant need to establish new drugs within drug development to pacify over existing ones for the evaluation of malarial infections due to the severe problem of the growing resistance to certain and present drugs. There is urgent need of identification and characterization of the absolute parasitival biochemical pathways which may provide as targets for the development of new drugs which regulate the mode of action of existing and potential new drugs, and to incinerate possible operations of resistance to existing drugs.

The available present drugs respond to three classes of compounds: (1) aryl amino alcohol compounds e.g. :quinine (2) antifolates–dihydrofolate reductase inhibitors, eg.: pyrimethamine, and (3) Derivatives of artemisinin. Chinese scientists

had first isolated artemisinin in 1970 from *Artemisia annua*^[2,3]. However, assistance of only one drug is uncommon and now there is a general compliance between scientists that collegial impact of two drugs probably throes to the best option for assistance which constrict the risk of resistance. Examples of drug collegial effects are the artemisinin–amodiaquine pair and the artemether–lumefantine^[4].

There are wide range of Fatty acids in nature but marine organisms, such as particular sponges, have mangea stage for some of the most immersing varieties based on structure. Among them most of these marine fatty acids drops-in from unusual biosynthetic artery and excellent evaluation have listed in recent years as the fatty acid miscellaneous structure types present in these organisms, their main role in membranes, and their biogenesis proceedings^[5-8]. However, it has been admitted and very short known that biomedical potential of these exceptional sponge fatty acids; in particular as to what divergences present in their bioavailability in association to reported for the more common fatty acids. Due to recent activity in research, we are now able in making scaffold to initiate and take a step towards potentiality of these marine compounds to scrap of these infectious diseases such as malaria, tuberculosis, and fungal infections. Due to the limited number of drugs presently available malarial chemotherapy is an area that is in continuous growth and revision, the available drugs shows severe side effects, and the prolonged development of combat developed by the parasite to some of these drugs^[9]. The most deleterious malarial parasite of the phylum Apicomplexa is *P. falciparum*, which comprise an apicoplast, an organelle which generally developed from a cyanobacterium through a channels of secondary endosymbiotic, which direct towards formation of two membranes^[10]. The several vital metabolic processes occurs at the apicoplast containing site of malarial parasite.

The main processes among them are isoprene biosynthesis, haem biosynthesis, and fatty acid biosynthesis take place. A type I fatty acid synthesis (FASI) system used by higher eukaryotes, where a single protein with multiple domains catalyzes the each fatty acid biosynthetic pathway. In comparison to type I fatty acid synthesis, in the apicoplast a type II fatty acid synthase (FASII) system is functional, where each fatty acid biosynthetic pathway is leads towards a different enzyme encoded by different gene^[11].

As we are eukaryotic in nature so type II FAS system is absent in human but is common in bacteria and algae^[12]. After invasion to host cell, a parasite creates a parasitophorous vacuole to hide itself, which protect it against the host immune system. The parasite urges to make its own fatty acids in this procedure for de novo so as to form its membrane expanded. The principal membrane fatty acids in *P. falciparum* are decanoic acid (10:0), lauric acid (12:0), and myristic acid (14:0). The fatty acid biosynthesis pathway in *P. falciparum* is encoded by several enzymes. Some drugs can suppress the incorporation of biosynthetic pathway of several enzymes. Some remarkable drug eg. are, Thiolactomycin and derivatives (which inhibit FabB and FabH), Isoniazid (which inhibits FabI)^[13,14].

The effect of antimalarial on fatty acids had moved towards consideration in the past but the attentiveness for fatty acids that it themselves might inhibit the fatty acid biosynthetic machinery of the parasite *P. falciparum* has only been presently reviewed to make a procedure towards combating of parasite. The work of Kumaratilake et al. which was carried out in 1992 affirm that n3 and n6 fatty acids which had antimalarial properties were polyunsaturated in nature and postulate the in-vitro invasion of intraerythrocytic forms of *P. falciparum*^[15]. The fatty acids which consists of methyl esters were announced to be as potent as the free acids in killing the parasite. The binding properties of the fatty acids to albumin in-vivo was also consider as unlikely to suppress the antimalarial effect of the polyunsaturated fatty acids^[15].

METHODOLOGY

Protein structures retrieval:

The Protein Data Bank has been used to retrieve the structures of enzymes (FabB) involved in regulation of *Plasmodium falciparum*^[19].

Active sites prediction of Protein:

The Castp Findertool were used for several separate procedures to perform active/ binding site prediction. To minimization process of the box (pocket) which encloses the protein is carried out by generating their coordinates. According to their spatial proximity, and the full interaction to their energies, every probe coordinates are then clustered. This further leads to joins all adjacent sites but not on the diagonals of the cube. According to their total interaction energies, with the most remarkable being identified as the first predicted binding site the probe clusters were then ranked. The meta pocket predict the variables for estimation of site volume and identification of proteins / enzymes.

Preparation of Compounds/Analogues:

The ACD lab software extension ChemDraw in MDL .mol format has been used to prepare the 2D-structure of Thiolactomycin and its 21 analogues which further carried out to Discovery Studio 2.5 window to generate the 3D-structure (Table 1).

Prediction of Drug-likeness for prepared novel Thiolactomycin Analogues:

The estimation of solubility and permeability for prepared compounds has been carried out through computational approaches by using, 'the Lipinski rule of 5's. This rule predicts the pharmacological, biological and ADME (absorption, distribution, metabolism and excretion) exercise of the prepared compound and also its potentiality to an orally active drug in humans [16].

The 'rule of 5' states that: poor absorption or permeation is more likely when:

- The compounds/ analogues shows more than 5 H-bond donors [expressed as the sum of OHs and NHs).
- The molecular weight of compounds/ analogues is over 500.
- The Log P [octanol-water partition coefficient] of compounds/ analogues is over 5.
- There are more than 10 H-bond acceptors in compounds/ analogues [expressed as the sum of Ns and Os).
- compounds/ analogues classes that are substrates for biological transporters are exceptions to the rule.

The prediction of ADMET for prepared novel Thiolactomycin Analogues:

The pharmacokinetics criteria like Adsorption, Distribution, Metabolism, Excretion and Toxicology (ADME/T) was performed through Pre ADMET online server (<http://preadmet.bmdrc.org>). The property like Human Intestinal Absorption (% HIA), Caco-2 permeability, MDCK cell Permeability, Skin Permeability, Blood Brain Barrier Penetration and Carcinogenicity all these parameters were deliberated.

RESULTS

The potential binding sites/active site in FabB(2PWP) by Castp:

The different amino acids residues of the enzymes under study was found out but the residues which shows the potential/active binding sites, on the basis of Castp finder tool result are the following:

In FabB (2PWP) :- TYR26, THR28, LYS29, SER30, LYS31, TYR32, ILE109, ASP110, GLU111, THR112, GLU115, PHE136, ILE137, GLU138, ASP139, LYS142.

Table 1: Different Leads/Analogues designed/constructed by taking Thiolactomycin as a standard.

Sr.No.	Name/Symbol	Canonical SMILE Version
1.	Thiolactomycin (Standard)	<chem>CC1=C(C(SC1=O)(C)C=C(C)C=C)O</chem>
2.	TH1	<chem>C1(C([H])([H])[H])=C(O)SC(C=C([H])C([H])=C([H])[H])([H])C1(O)[H]</chem>
3.	TH2	<chem>C1(C([H])([H])[H])=C(O)SC(C=C([H])C([H])=C([H])[H])([H])C1(Cl)[H]</chem>
4.	TH3	<chem>C1(C([H])([H])[H])=C(O)SC(C=C([H])C([H])=C([H])[H])([H])C1(Br)[H]</chem>
5.	TH4	<chem>C1(C([H])([H])[H])=C(O)SC(C=C([H])C([H])=C([H])[H])([H])C1(F)[H]</chem>
6.	TH5	<chem>C1(C([H])([H])[H])=C(O)SC(C=C([H])C([H])=C([H])[H])([H])C1(I)[H]</chem>
7.	TH6	<chem>C1(C([H])([H])[H])=C(I)SC(C=C([H])C([H])=C([H])[H])([H])C1(I)[H]</chem>
8.	TH7	<chem>C1(C([H])([H])[H])=C(Br)SC(C=C([H])C([H])=C([H])[H])([H])C1(Br)[H]</chem>
9.	TH8	<chem>C1(C([H])([H])[H])=C(Cl)SC(C=C([H])C([H])=C([H])[H])([H])C1(Cl)[H]</chem>
10.	TH9	<chem>C1(C([H])([H])[H])=C(F)SC(C=C([H])C([H])=C([H])[H])([H])C1(F)[H]</chem>
11.	TH10	<chem>C1(C([H])([H])[H])=C(F)OC(C=C([H])C([H])=C([H])[H])([H])C1(F)[H]</chem>
12.	TH11	<chem>C1(C([H])([H])[H])=C(Cl)OC(C=C([H])C([H])=C([H])[H])([H])C1(Cl)[H]</chem>
13.	TH12	<chem>C1(C([H])([H])[H])=C(Br)OC(C=C([H])C([H])=C([H])[H])([H])C1(Br)[H]</chem>
14.	TH13	<chem>C1(C([H])([H])[H])=C(I)OC(C=C([H])C([H])=C([H])[H])([H])C1(I)[H]</chem>
15.	TH14	<chem>C1(C([H])([H])[H])=C(O)C(=O)C(C=C([H])C([H])=C([H])[H])([H])C1=O</chem>
16.	TH15	<chem>C1(C(O)(O)O)=C(O)C(=O)C(C=C([H])C([H])=C([H])[H])([H])C1=O</chem>
17.	TH16	<chem>C1(C([H])([H])[H])=C(O)C(=O)C(C=C([H])C([H])=C(O)O)[H])([H])C1=O</chem>
18.	TH17	<chem>C1(C([H])([H])[H])=C(O)SC(C=C([H])C([H])=C([H])[H])([H])S1</chem>
19.	TH18	<chem>C1(C(O)(O)O)=C(O)SC(C=C([H])C([H])=C([H])[H])([H])S1</chem>

20.	TH19	C1(C([H])([H])[H])=C(O)SC(C(=C([H])C([H])=C(O)O)[H])([H])S1
21.	TH20	C1(C([H])([H])[H])=C(O)SC(C(=C([H])C(O)=C(O)O)[H])([H])S1
22.	TH21	CC1=C(C(SC1=O)(C)CCC(C)C)O

Table 2: Pharmacokinetic studies to measure the drug concentrations in blood or plasma.

Sr.No.	ADME Properties	Activity Range
1.	Human intestinal absorption (HIA)	Poorly- 0~20% Moderate- 20~70% High- 70~100%
2.	Blood brain barrier (BBB)	CNS active compounds (+); >1 CNS inactive compounds (-); < 1
3.	Madin-Darby canine kidney (MDCK) cell permeability	Lower- < 25 Moderate- 25~500 Higher- > 500
4.	Heterogenous human epithelial colorectal adenocarcinoma (Caco2) cell permeability	Lower- < 4 Moderate- 4~70 Higher- < 70
5.	Plasma protein Binding (% PBP)	Chemicals strongly bound >90% Chemicals weakly bound < 90%

Table 3: ADMET prediction of novel designed Analogues with compare to parent compound.

Sr.No.	Lead Name/Symbol	ADME Properties					
		Caco2	MDCK	Skin Permeability	HIA	BBB	Toxicity(M/C)
1.	Thiolactomycin(Standard)	21.52	42.775	-1.781	95.74	0.79	-/-
2.	TH1	13.40	63.283	-2.737	91.64	1.43	+/-
3.	TH2	41.56	51.093	-1.463	95.34	2.92	+/-
4.	TH3	53.28	1.220	-1.456	95.66	3.24	+/+
5.	TH4	23.29	35.781	-1.584	94.95	2.37	+/+
6.	TH5	51.60	0.321	-1.333	96.86	4.51	+/+
7.	TH6	58.03	0.518	-1.092	100.00	3.94	+/+
8.	TH7	58.05	0.261	-1.254	100.00	2.33	+/+
9.	TH8	57.46	9.659	-1.182	100.00	1.88	+/-
10.	TH9	25.86	23.084	-1.383	100.00	1.22	+/+
11.	TH10	57.92	52.634	-1.662	100.00	2.02	+/+
12.	TH11	57.98	92.243	-1.342	100.00	3.30	+/-
13.	TH12	57.98	0.304	-1.119	100.00	4.08	+/+
14.	TH13	57.98	0.518	-1.001	100.00	6.50	+/+
15.	TH14	18.44	17.994	-2.016	93.44	0.46	+/+
16.	TH15	0.27	1.342	-3.627	48.01	0.13	+/-
17.	TH16	20.94	5.173	-3.84	70.41	0.29	-/+
18.	TH17	28.58	42.491	-2.05	96.25	0.78	-/-
19.	TH18	2.27	28.630	-1.73	75.68	0.37	-/-
20.	TH19	0.80	37.455	-3.588	87.32	0.83	+/-
21.	TH20	0.95	191.428	-4.011	75.21	0.37	+/-
22.	TH21	21.56	26.33	-2.33	95.24	1.10	-/-

Abbreviations: Caco-2- heterogenous human epithelial colorectal adenocarcinoma; M- mutagen; C-carcinogen(rat, mouse), BBB - Blood brain barrier; HIA-Human intestinal absorption; SP-Skin permeability; MDCK- Madin-Darby canine kidney.

Table 4: prediction of Drug-Likeliness for designed analogues along with the standard drug.

Sr. No.	Analogues	MW	HBA	HBD	Log P
1.	Thiolactomycin (Standard)	210.07	3	1	2.54
2.	TH1	184.06	3	2	1.67
3.	TH2	202.02	2	1	3.13
4.	TH3	245.7	2	1	3.29
5.	TH4	186.05	2	1	2.81
6.	TH5	23.6	2	1	3.18
7.	TH6	403.86	1	0	4.28
8.	TH7	307.8	1	0	4.16
9.	TH8	219.99	1	0	4.03
10.	TH9	188.05	1	0	3.51
11.	TH10	172.07	1	0	3.00
12.	TH11	204.01	1	0	3.52
13.	TH12	21.1	1	0	3.65
14.	TH13	387.88	1	0	3.77
15.	TH14	178.06	3	1	1.11
16.	TH15	226.05	6	4	-0.40
17.	TH16	210.05	5	3	0.18
18.	TH17	186.02	3	1	2.39
19.	TH18	234.00	6	4	0.87
20.	TH19	218.01	5	3	1.46
21.	TH20	234.00	6	4	1.52
22.	TH21	214.10	3	1	3.18

Abbreviations: MW- molecular weight; HBA-hydrogen bond acceptors; Log P- partition coefficient; HBD- hydrogen bond donor.

DISCUSSION

The filtration of “drug-like” compounds from non-drug like compound is a key area on present research in computer aided drug designing field. The above study shows that Thiolactomycin drug inhibit the FabB enzyme regulation during the erythrocytic phase of parasite incubation. Thus different potential and active residues of the enzyme were obtained by using Castp finder tool. The prediction of ADME as well as Drug-likeness studies were carried out for prepared novel leads/analogues. The filtered and potent compounds among them have further examined for their pharmacokinetics properties, metabolism and potential toxicity. This way the high throughput ADME screening and combinatorial chemistry was completed. The PreADMET on line tool has been used to perform the ADME prediction of prepared novel leads/analogues^[20] as given in (Table 2 and 3). All the 21 designed leads/analogues were screened through different criteria of Drug-likeness prediction and also assessed by using the Lipinski’s rule of 5^[17,18] followed by ADMET evaluation (Table 4). The pharmacological analysis of above study reveals that TH-21 analogue have the best binding features and less toxicity profiling with FabB enzyme for further *in vivo* and *in vitro* consideration.

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