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Computational drug Cumintrazole-analog for the treatment of mutant BRCA1 and BRCA2 proteins in breast cancer

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ABSTRACT

Breast cancer is the second death causing disease in the world. Breast cancer gene 1 (BRCA1) and Breast cancer gene 2 (BRCA2) are the controlling proteins of this cancer. Real capacity of BRCA1/BRCA2 is to control the cell division, repair the damaged DNA and stabilized the genetic material of the cell. In case of any mutation in these proteins, the division of breast cells will be modified and therefore the cancerous development of cells will start in breast. The essential target of study was to prepare novel synthetic compound to focus on destinations for receptor proteins, located on cells surface, which control the development or stop the multiplication of cancer cells. Subsequent to screening vast measure of information, we outlined novel in-silico medication compound for breast cancer that is able to hinder the uncontrolled development of cells. In docked edifices PHE and GLN are critical communicating build ups for BRCA1 and BRCA2 proteins. Atomic recipe of shad sample totally fulfills the Lipinski rule of five. It shows less symptoms and long resistance against breast cancer cells. We infer that our medication shad sample is better than the business drugs available in business sector. As it is non-toxic in nature and has no reactions. The proposed drug is suitable for reduction of the breast cancer in females.

Key Words: BRCA1, BRCA2, breast cancer, in-silico, mutation.

INTRODUCTION

Cancer is a syndrome, where the abnormal body cells grow and multiply uncontrollably. Breast cancer occurs when breast cells start to grow un-controlled, allowing them to affect nearby tissues and spread to the whole body. It was difficult to identify the hereditary basis of breast cancer five years prior, when the breast cancer susceptibility genes BRCA2 and BRCA1 genes were identified through positional cloning technique. After this discovery, it becomes clear that germ line changes or mutations in both BRCA1 and BRCA2 genes represent 20 to 60% of breast cancer cases in families (Nathanson *et al.*, 2001). A little amount of transformation occurs, which causes changes in BRCA1 and BRCA2 proteins. These changes are slightly known and some are still unknown, which are involved in the familial breast cancer danger (Easton, 1999). Two main sites in the breast, where cancer is more dangerous are lobules (milk producing tissues) and the ducts named as ductal carcinoma and lobular carcinoma. Now a day's inborn cases of breast cancer are linked with two genes breast cancer gene one (BRCA1) and breast cancer gene two (BRCA2). The roles of these genes are very important as they maintain the normal growth of breast cells and to stop the growth of cancerous cells. Any kind of abnormalities or mutations in these genes causes the breast cancer. Mutant BRCA1 and BRCA2 genes represent 10% of all the breast cancers. The most active gene that cause cancer in woman's is BRCA1 that may be a part of genome surveillance complex termed as BASC, a combination of proteins, which play a role in DNA repair like RAD50. The RAD50 complex is composed of protein, *i.e.* MSH6 and MLH1 heterodimers

(Jiaxue *et al.*, 2011).

BRCA1 make partnership with RNA polymerase II, a cell-cycle-checkpoint kinase ATR, a chromatin-redesigning complex, the Fanconi's weakness protein as FANCD2, SWI and many other vital proteins (Deng and Brodie, 2000; Kerr and Ashworth, 2001). BRCA2 mutations are the sources of expanded lifetime danger of creating ovarian carcinoma. Both BRCA1 and BRCA2 are included in support of genome solidness, particularly the DNA strand repair. BRCA2 gene proteins contain a few duplicates of 70aa motif known as BRC motif, and these motifs interact with RAD51 recombinase, which helps in DNA repair. Tumor silencer quality is present in BRCA2 (Given by RefSeq, Dec 2008). The BRCA1 gene encodes 1863 amino acids residue protein and the gene is located on chromosome 17 at the locus 17q21. Locus compasses >100 kb containing 24 exons (Miki *et al.*, 1994).

Human BRCA2 protein is made up of 3418 amino acid residues (384 kDa) and is located at chromosome 13 at locus 13q13.1. The BRCA2 quality is made up of 27 exons and compasses pretty nearly 84.2 kb of genomic DNA. The N-terminal portion of the BRCA2 protein contains a transcriptional activation space (aa18-105). BRCA2 exon 11 encodes eight rationed motifs termed as BRC repeats. Each of these repeats is made up of around 30 residues. BRCA1 germline transformations account for 50% of familial ovarian cancers and basically all families with 17q21-linked inborn weakness to ovarian and breast cancer (Hall *et al.*, 1990; Szabo *et al.*, 1995; Easton *et al.*, 1995; Narod *et al.*, 1995).

Changes in both genes (BRCA1 and BRCA2) are not just connected with expanded breast cancer danger but change bearers are additionally defenseless to cancers of the prostate, ovary, male breast and pancreas. Different affiliations can be uncovered when more epidemiological data gets to be accessible (Rahman and Stratton, 1998). Inheritance of the damaged BRCA1 or BRCA2 allele suffices to present tumor inclination. Breast and ovarian

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tumors from inclined people constantly display failure of heterozygosity, while holding the transformed allele showing that the protein results of the qualities may carry on in a few regards as tumor silencers (Schutte *et al.*, 1995). It is confusing, hence, that physical transformation in BRCA2 or BRCA1 don't often occur at random (non-familial) in breast cancers (Rahman and Stratton, 1998).

The main objective of the study was to prepare novel synthetic compound to focus on destinations for receptor proteins, located on cells surface, which control the development or stop the multiplication of cancer cells. An effort was done to develop a computer aided drug to control the mutated BRCA1 and BRCA2 genes and to control the expansion of breast cancer in humans.

METHODOLOGY

Protein structure retrieval and ligand designing

Many genomic and proteomic online tools were used to evaluate the BRCA1 and crystal structure of a PALB2/BRCA2 complex. The BRCA1/2 protein structures were retrieved by RCSB by applying specification like X-ray resolution less than 1.5Å° with organism specification as human. These two protein structures were obtained and were prepared for docking by applying different actions in different tools like discovery studio, chimera and PMV. The ligand modeling steps included drawing of compound through ChemSketch and Chemdraw. The oral toxicity and its dosage were checked by using ProTox. Docking was done by using Hex server and the results of docking were verified by using the Dog site server.

RESULTS

Proteomics

The X-ray crystallographic structure of aromatase was retrieved from Protein Data Bank (Berman *et al.*, 2000a; Berman *et al.*, 2000b). Protein structures of BRCA1 and BRCA2 were retrieved from RCSB having PDB id 3K05 and 3EU7. The structures of both proteins were viewed in Discovery Studio. Their water molecules and pervious Dock ligand were removed and were restored in PDB format. The protein structures of BRCA1 and BRCA2 are shown in figure 1a and 1b.

Designing of the Compound

The cumin chemical structure was examined and cumin aldehyde was selected. The toxicity class was not according to our requirement; therefore some structural changes were made in the previous structure of cuminaldehyde. The CH₃ group was removed and the functional group was added. The overall structure of the molecule is shown in figure 1c and its properties are shown in table 1.

Docking

The molecule binded to a receptor inhibits its function and thus acts as a drug (Marchetti *et al.*, 2011). The 4-(1,2,4-triazol-1-ylmethyl)cyclohexane-1-carbaldehyde was docked with the BRCA1 and BRCA2 proteins. The BRCA1 protein amino acids that interact with the ligand are GLN2008, ARG1907, ARG1904, ARG1957, PRO2062, PRO2043, GLY2006, VAL2007, CYS2042 and ALA1903. Of these legends, the two most important are GLN2008 and ARG1907. The structures of BRCA1 proteins are shown in figure 2a and their 2D structures are shown in figure 2b.

The BRCA2 protein interacting amino acids were TYR1108, TYR1064, LEU1142, LEU1143, LEU1092 and PHE1071. The most important among them was the PHE1071. The interactions of amino acids with protein are

Table 1: Showing the lipinsik rule of five and toxicity of the inhibitor.

Particulars	Values
Molecular weight	187.0
Number of hydrogen bond acceptors	3
Number of hydrogen bond donors	0
Number of atoms	14
Number of bonds	15
Number of rings	2
Number of rotatable bonds	3
Total charge	0
Molecular Polar Surface Area	47.78
Toxicity class, average	6

Table 2: Binding pockets for BRCA1 in the above pockets the cumintrazole analog will show the binding to BRCA1.

Name	Volume [Å ³]	Surface [Å ²]	Lipo surface [Å ²]	Depth [Å]	Simple Score
P0	1703.74	2122.68	1284.33	29.08	0.68
P1	282.82	578.20	477.28	14.06	0.23
P2	245.44	543.10	330.81	10.08	0.08
P3	221.76	507.93	308.11	11.24	0.05
P4	196.99	396.28	242.14	12.17	0.01
P5	156.74	318.83	220.19	6.56	0.00
P6	152.19	321.88	233.58	12.55	0.02
P7	142.40	272.10	147.08	8.88	0.00
P8	137.54	303.46	191.71	13.18	0.00
P9	131.52	301.13	229.01	8.48	0.00
P10	114.18	162.35	56.28	7.22	0.00

Table 3: Binding pockets for BRCA2 in the above pockets the cumintrazole analog will show the binding to BRCA2.

Name	Volume [Å ³]	Surface [Å ²]	Lipo surface [Å ²]	Depth [Å]	Simple Score
P0	540.35	551.08	359.88	15.07	0.35
P1	458.75	639.57	355.05	20.06	0.26
P2	412.22	619.48	353.29	12.22	0.28
P3	262.53	337.64	243.51	11.83	0.12
P4	221.95	347.74	277.28	10.95	0.20
P5	165.50	282.01	143.12	11.84	0.00
P6	146.82	240.15	120.39	9.94	0.00
P7	131.97	199.13	145.78	8.56	0.00
P8	121.79	139.17	61.71	12.59	0.00
P9	118.53	177.14	119.90	12.30	0.00
P10	118.21	280.90	172.90	8.37	0.00
P11	107.90	223.00	129.83	7.27	0.00

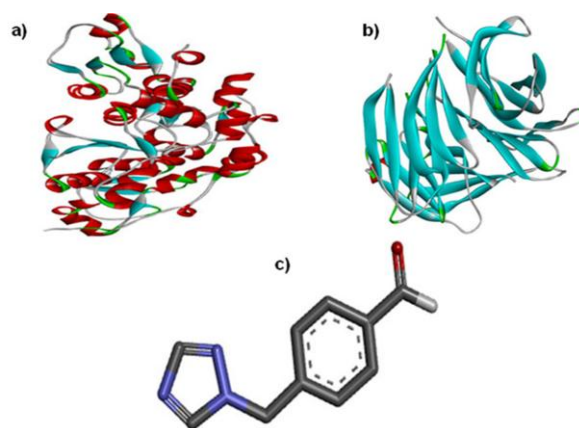


Figure 1: Molecular structure of a) BRCA1 Protein b) BRCA2 Protein c) Cumintrazole analog for BRCA1 and BRCA2 proteins.

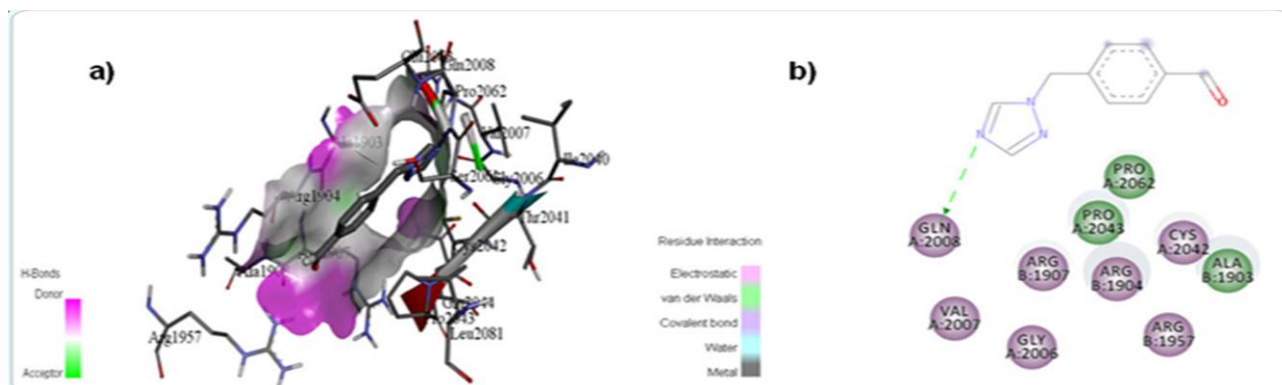


Figure 2: a) Amino acids showing interaction with cumintrazole analog for BRCA1. b) Ligand and interacting residues BRCA1, Ligand docked complex.

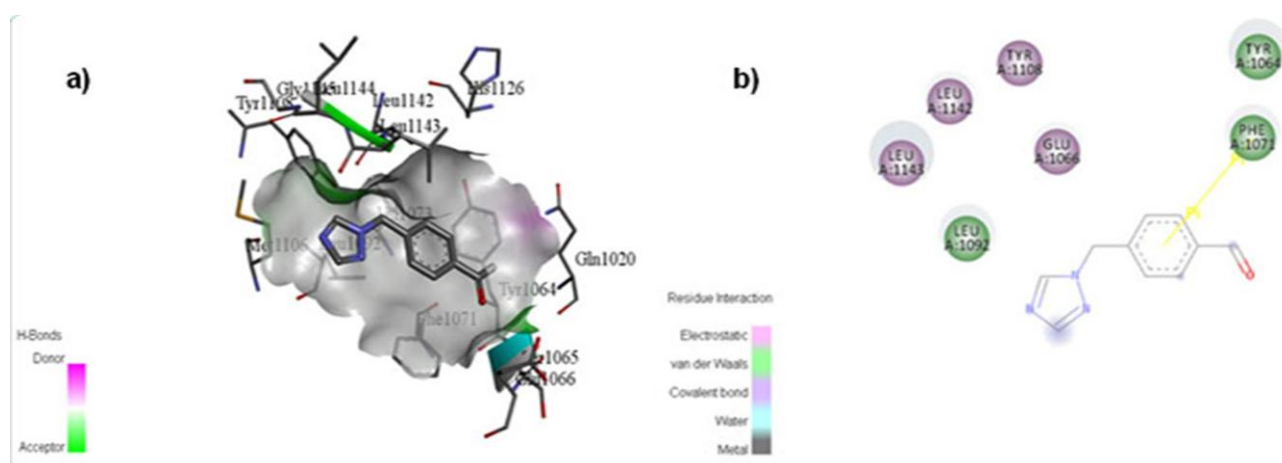


Figure 3: a) Amino acids showing interaction with Ligand in BRCA2. b) Ligand and interacting residues BRCA2, Ligand docked complex.

shown in figure 3a and their 2D structural diagram is shown in figure 3b.

Docking result verification

The pockets / active sites in BRCA1 were P0, P1, P2, P3, P4, P5, P6, P7, P8, P9 and P10. Our ligand binds to the active site P0. The values of volume, surface, lipo surface depth and simple score are shown in table 2 and these pockets are shown in figure 4a shown by different colors. Figure 4b shows the pocket where our analog binds with BRCA1 gene.

The pockets / active sites in BRCA2 are 12, which were named as P0, P1, P2, P3, P4, P5, P6, P7, P8, P9, P10 and P11. Our ligand binds to the active site P1. The values of volume, surface, lipo surface depth and simple score are shown in table 3. These pockets are shown in figure 4c shown by different colors. Figure 4d shows the pocket where our ligand binds with BRCA2.

DISCUSSION

The 3-dimensional structure expectations of most qualities/proteins prescribe that they can be used further to appreciate the potential segment of breast tumor improvement and some portion of these proteins in raising abnormalities. Also it opens the new entryway of solution getting ready for the better recognizing verification of potential pharmaceutical inhibitors (Zahra *et al.*, 2013). One of the drugs arranging schedules fuse building

of ligand and large evaded as receptor-based medication outline. The key purpose of such method is the development of novel structures, not contained in any database (Taha, 2012). We have utilized such approach and attempted to create in-silico novel medication compound for our chosen proteins. Compound was ethyl 3-2-((diethoxyphosphoryl) methoxy) ethyl}-4-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-6-methyl-2-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyrimidine-5-carboxylate for the synthesis (6i). The 6i interface with the polar deposit Arg115 by method for hydrogen bonding, while the hydrophobic ring moieties were arranged toward the hydrophobic buildups like Ile133, Phe134, Trp224, Ala306, and Val370 (Yellapu *et al.*, 2013).

Proteins identified with breast cancer and leukemia was focused as macromolecules promyelocytic leukemia, estrogen related and BRCA2. The docking results are positioned by tying energies utilizing LAQ824 as a ligand and BRCA2 as a cancer medication target compound. Additionally communication between BRCA2 (macromolecule) and LAQ824 (ligand) demonstrated LAQ824 associated with SER439, GLU432, ARG435, ASP410, LYS412, ALA413 and LYS414 of BRCA2 protein (Khamkar *et al.*, 2013). It has been observed that Hsp90 was over communicated in numerous breast cancer cells. Hsp90 was docked with co-chaperones, anticancer medications and Hsp90 C-terminal space was docked with its inhibitors analogs of novobiocin. The outcomes demonstrated

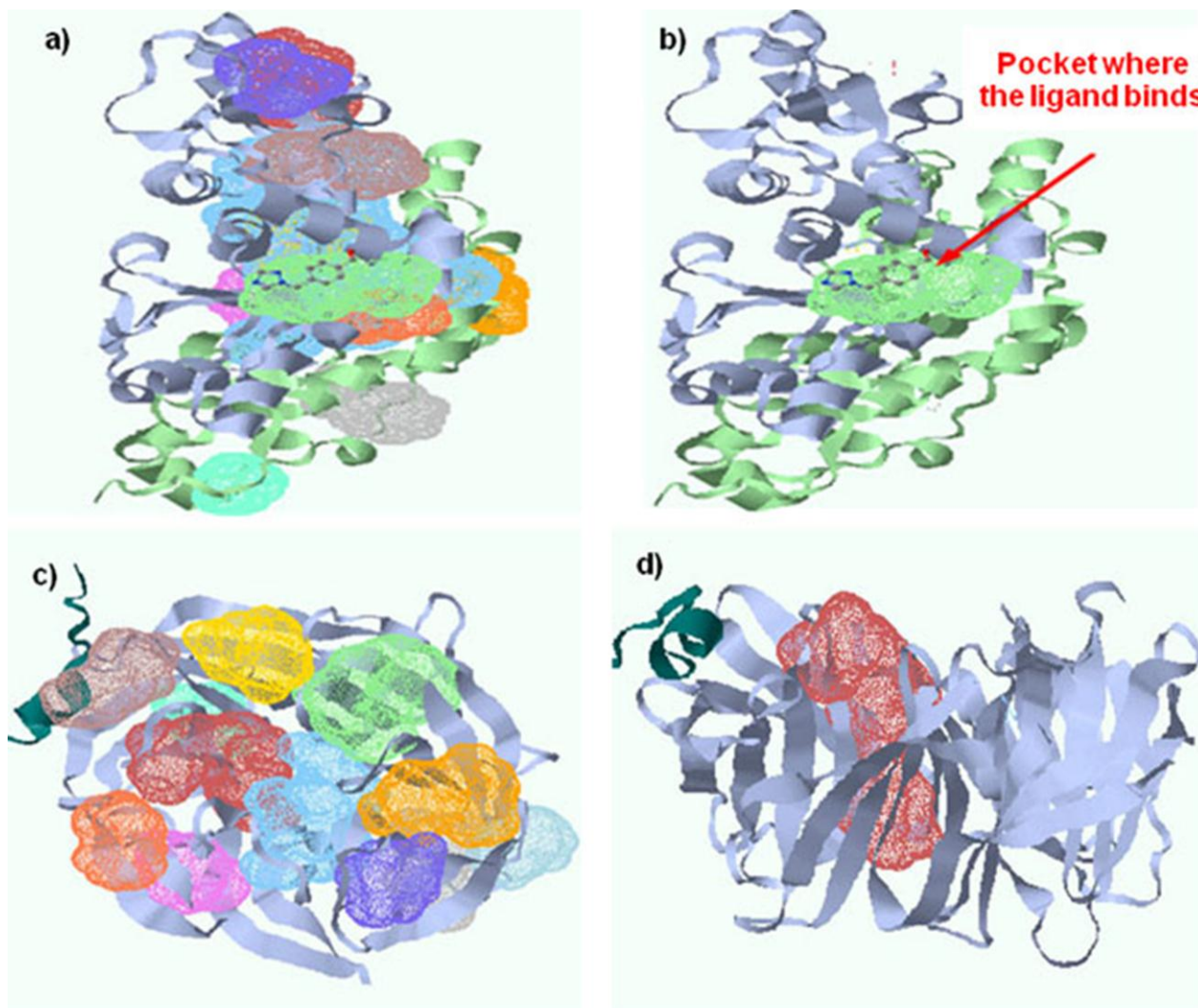


Figure 4: a) All the binding Pockets on BRCA1. b) The Pocket where our analog binds to BRCA 1. c) All the binding Pockets on BRCA2. d) The Pocket where our analog binds to BRCA2.

that Hsp90 had high fondness to tie with Trap1 (Zhu *et al.*, 2012a). These cell lines are broadly acknowledged as models for surveying intense against proliferative action (Zhu *et al.*, 2012). Our proposed drug will show preferred results over these medicines and will help in better survival of patients. Our composed medication simple targets breast cancer's particular qualities, proteins, or the tissue environment that guides in survival of cancer. The medication compound simple confirms relationship with BRCA1 and BRCA2 proteins and impedes their irregular exercises.

CONCLUSION

In present work, we have taken BRCA1 and BRCA2 proteins, designed the inhibitor molecule [4-(1,2,4-triazol-1-ylmethyl) cyclohexane-1-carbaldehyde] for them and docked with these two selected proteins. We investigated that 4-(1,2,4-triazol-1-ylmethyl) cyclohexane-1-carbaldehyde compound best fits in the pockets of proteins, which demonstrates its soundness and affirms its drug likeness properties. The amino acid residues PHE and LEU were common among all proteins interacting

pockets. The larger part of the financially open pharmaceuticals may misuse couple of the properties of Lipinski guideline of five. However our medication is totally fulfilling the Lipinski standards of five with qualities having Log value of P0.89, dissolvability -1.87 , drug similarity -3.47 , over drug score of 0.3, H bond acceptors 3.1 and donor 0 individually. We checked the danger levels, and wellbeing impacts of medications; that are utilized to cure breast cancer. We presume that our medication is better than business drugs accessible in business sector. As it is non-lethal in nature and has no side reactions. In future, this work can be further used as a piece of clinical trials to test its sufficiency and social focal point.

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