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VIRTUAL SCREENING, SYNTHESIS OF NEWER HETEROCYCLES AS PPAR γ AGONISTS WITH ANTIDIABETIC ACTIVITY

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ABSTRACT: Recent decades have experienced a sharp increase in the incidence and prevalence of diabetes mellitus. The major therapeutic approach to diabetes is to reduce gastrointestinal glucose production and absorption through the inhibition of carbohydrate digesting enzymes such as α -amylase and α -glucosidase. The agonists of PPAR γ is of great interest to the pharmaceutical industry since they regulate the expression of genes associated with diseases like cancer, diabetes, atherosclerosis and obesity. The aim of the current study was to synthesize newer PPAR γ agonists with alleged antidiabetic properties for α -amylase and α -glucosidase inhibitory activities. Newer PPAR γ agonist ligands containing three parts acidic head, a linker, and a hydrophobic tail as pharmacophore features were designed. Four different compounds containing thiazole as heterocyclic nucleus have been synthesised and characterised by analytical methods like IR, NMR, spectral data. All the synthesised molecules were optimized using Lipinski's rule of five and subjected to docking studies using ARGUS LAB 4.0. Docking studies showed the important interactions of lead molecules possess with some of the common active site residues like ARG 288, CYS 285, HIS 323, HIS 449, LEU 353, LYS 367, MET 364, MET 348, PHE 363 of different PPAR γ receptors like 3FEJ, 3V9V. The synthesised compounds were evaluated for their antidiabetic activity by α amylase and α glucosidase inhibitory methods and all were found to exhibit an effective inhibition against both the enzymes. Out of the four synthesised compounds, KPSV 4 was found to be most effective with percentage growth inhibition of 61.92% and 80.46% at 1000 μ g when compared with other three synthesised compounds like KPSV 1, KPSV2, KPSV3.

INTRODUCTION: Diabetes mellitus is a group of metabolic diseases in which there are high blood sugar levels over a prolonged period¹. Diabetes Mellitus is responsible for 7% of global deaths (WHO, 2015) Type 2 diabetes is caused by a decreased sensitivity of target cells to insulin accompanying serious, potentially life-threatening complications like atherosclerosis, retinopathy, neuropathy, foot problems, nephropathy².

Peroxisome Proliferator-Activated Receptors (PPARs) are a group of receptor proteins that function as transcription factors regulating the expression of genes. PPARs play essential roles in the regulation of cellular differentiation, development, and metabolism (carbohydrate, lipid, protein), and tumorigenesis of higher organisms³. Three types of PPARs have been identified: alpha, gamma, and delta (beta): γ (gamma): Two types 1. γ_1 - expressed in heart, muscle, colon, kidney, pancreas, and spleen. 2. γ_2 - expressed mainly in adipose tissue (30 amino acids longer), macrophages, large intestine⁴.

The course of the study and research has been to identify novel molecule for Anti-diabetic activity

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PPAR γ receptors, so following steps were performed. Identification of common Pharmacophore features responsible for inhibiting PPAR γ from the literature review which is carried out as part of the current research⁵. Designing of a series of compounds that selectively modulate the activities of Peroxisome Proliferator- Activated Receptors PPAR γ for exhibiting anti diabetic activity. The current study, the binding mechanism of PPAR γ receptors and newly designed ligands were studied using molecular docking using

docking tools like ARGUS LAB 4.0. Finally the newly designed ligands of high dock value were selected and optimised using Lipinski' rule. Based on the synthetic feasibility, certain compounds containing thiazoleheterocycles were synthesised and purified. All the synthesised molecules were characterised by analytical methods like IR, NMR, spectral data. *In vitro* anti -diabetic screening was carried out for all the four synthesised compounds by α -Amaylase and α -Glucosidase inhibitory method.

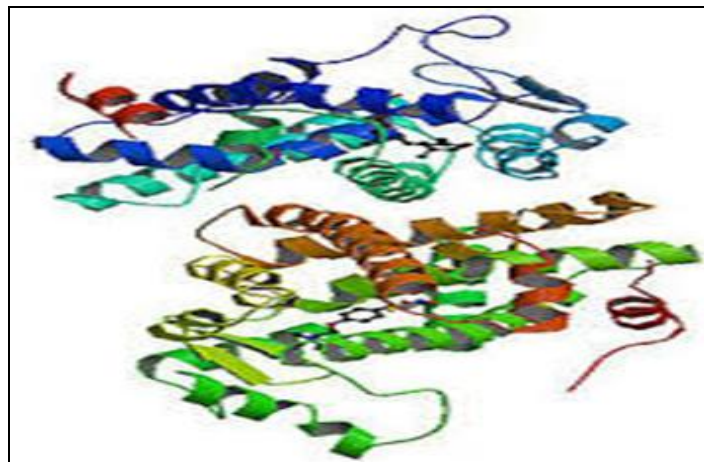


FIG. 1: 3D STRUCTURE OF PPAR γ

MATERIALS AND METHODS:

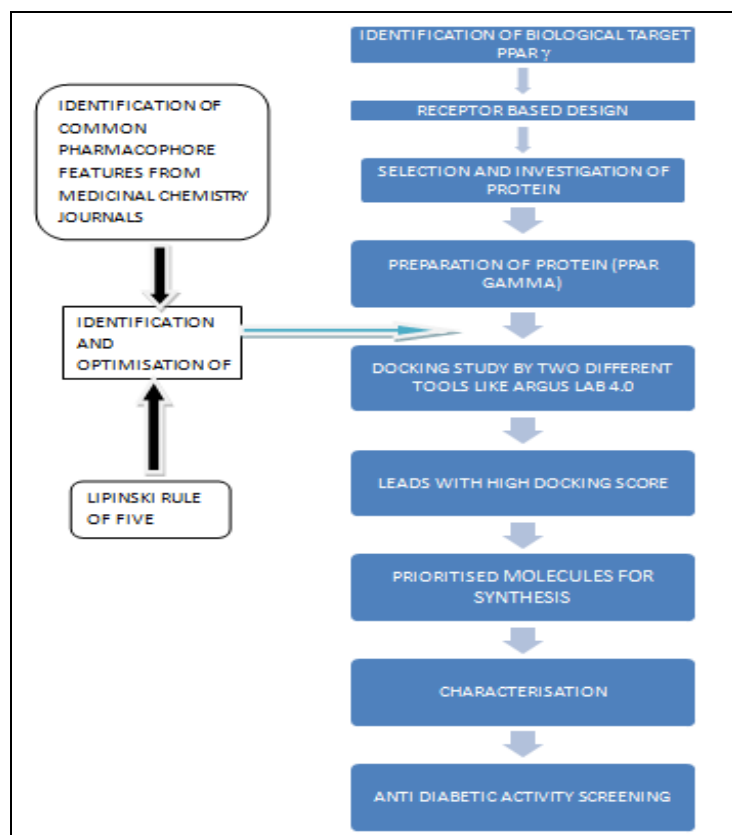


FIG. 2: VIRTUAL SCREENING FLOW OF WORK

Target Selection:

PPAR γ As Antidiabetic Agents: Recent research suggests that PPAR γ has a therapeutic potential to treat diabetes mellitus inflammatory diseases and certain cancers. The metabolic regulatory role of PPAR δ is recently recognised and clinical trials for PPAR δ agonists are key regulators of adipocyte differentiation and used to treat type 2 diabetes ⁶. The agonists of PPAR γ is of great interest to the pharmaceutical industry since they regulate the expression of genes associated with diseases like cancer, diabetes, atherosclerosis and obesity⁷.

Selection of X-ray crystal PDB: The protein selection is carried out from the RCSB PDB(Protein Data Bank). Protein data bank is resource for studying biological macromolecules. It contains information about experimentally determined structures of proteins, nucleic acids, and complex assemblies ⁸.

A search in the PDB database retrieved a large number of crystal structure PPAR γ receptors. PDB codes, resolution of crystal structures are shown in tabular column below ⁹.

TABLE 1: LIST OF PPAR CRYSTAL STRUCTURES DEPOSITED IN THE PDB DATABANK AS OF 2013 ¹⁰

S. no	PDB	Resolution	Protein	Year
1.	1FM9	2.10	PPAR γ	2000
2.	1I7I	2.35	PPAR γ	2001
3.	1KNU	2.50	PPAR γ	2002
4.	1PRG	2.20	PPAR γ	1998
5.	1 WM0	2.90	PPAR γ	2004
6.	1 ZE0	2.50	PPAR γ	2005
7.	1 ZGY	1.80	PPAR γ	2005
8.	2 ATH	2.28	PPAR γ	2005
9.	2 F4B	2.07	PPAR γ	2006
10.	2 FVJ	1.99	PPAR γ	2006
11.	2 GOG	2.54	PPAR γ	2006
12.	2 G0H	2.30	PPAR γ	2006
13.	2 GTK	2.10	PPAR γ	2006
14.	2 HFP	2.00	PPAR γ	2006
15.	2 HWQ	1.97	PPAR γ	2006
16.	2 HWR	2.30	PPAR γ	2006
17.	2 I4J	2.10	PPAR γ	2007
18.	2 I4P	2.10	PPAR γ	2007
19.	2 OM9	2.80	PPAR γ	2007
20.	2 P4Y	2.25	PPAR γ	2008
21.	2 POB	2.30	PPAR γ	2007
22.	2 PRG	2.30	PPAR γ	1998
23.	2Q59	2.20	PPAR γ	2007
24.	2 Q5G	2.70	PPAR γ	2007
25.	2 Q5P	2.30	PPAR γ	2007
26.	2 Q5S	2.05	PPAR γ	2007
27.	2 Q61	2.20	PPAR γ	2007
28.	2 Q6R	2.41	PPAR γ	2007
29.	2 Q8S	2,30	PPAR γ	2008
30.	2 QMV	2.45	PPAR γ	2013
31.	2 VSR	2.05	PPAR γ	2008
32.	2 VST	2,35	PPAR γ	2008
33.	2 VV0	2.55	PPAR γ	2008
34.	2 VV1	2.20	PPAR γ	2008
35.	2 VV2	2,75	PPAR γ	2008
36.	2 VV3	2,85	PPAR γ	2008
37.	2 VV4	2.35	PPAR γ	2008
38.	2 XKW	2.02	PPAR γ	2013
39.	2 YFE	2.00	PPAR γ	2012
40.	2 ZK0	2.36	PPAR γ	2012
41.	2 ZK1	2.61	PPAR γ	2009
42.	2 ZK2	2.26	PPAR γ	2009
43.	2 ZK3	2,58	PPAR γ	2009

44.	2 ZK4	2.57	PPAR γ	2009
45.	2 ZK5	2.45	PPAR γ	2009
46.	2 ZK6	2.41	PPAR γ	2010
47.	2 ZNO	2.01	PPAR γ	2009
48.	2 ZVT	1.90	PPAR γ	2009
49.	3 ADS	2.25	PPAR γ	2010
50.	3 ADT	2.70	PPAR γ	2010
51.	3 ADU	2.77	PPAR γ	2010
52.	3 ADV	2.27	PPAR γ	2010
53.	3 ADW	2.07	PPAR γ	2010
54.	3 ADX	1.95	PPAR γ	2010
55.	3 AN3	2.30	PPAR γ	2010
56.	3 AN4	2.30	PPAR γ	2011
57.	3 B0Q	2.10	PPAR γ	2013
58.	3 B0R	2.15	PPAR γ	2013
59.	3 B1M	1.60	PPAR γ	2011
60.	3 BC5	2.60	PPAR γ	2008
61.	3 CDP	2.80	PPAR γ	2013
62.	3 CDS	2.65	PPAR γ	2008
63.	3 CS8	2.30	PPAR γ	2008
64.	3 CWD	2.40	PPAR γ	2008
65.	3 D6D	2.40	PPAR γ	2008
66.	3 DY6	2.90	PPAR γ	2008
67.	3 ET0	2.40	PPAR γ	2009
68.	3 ET3	1.95	PPAR γ	2009
69.	3 FEJ	2.01	PPAR γ	2009
70.	3 FUR	2.30	PPAR γ	2009
71.	3 G9E	2.30	PPAR γ	2009
72.	3 HO0	2.60	PPAR γ	2009
73.	3 HOD	2.60	PPAR γ	2009
74.	3 IA6	2.30	PPAR γ	2009
75.	3 K8S	2.55	PPAR γ	2008
76.	3 KDT	2.70	PPAR γ	2010
77.	3 KMG	2.10	PPAR γ	2013
78.	3 LMP	1.90	PPAR γ	2010
79.	3 NOA	1.98	PPAR γ	2013
80.	3 OSI	2.70	PPAR γ	2011
81.	3 OSW	2.55	PPAR γ	2011
82.	3 PBA	2.30	PPAR γ	2011
83.	3 PRG	2.90	PPAR γ	1998
84.	3 QTO	2.50	PPAR γ	2013
85.	3 R5N	2.00	PPAR γ	2011
86.	3 R8A	2.41	PPAR γ	2011
87.	3 R8I	2.30	PPAR γ	2011
88.	3 S9S	2.55	PPAR γ	2011
89.	3 SZI	2.30	PPAR γ	2012
90.	3 TY0	2.00	PPAR γ	2011
91.	3 T03	2.10	PPAR γ	2012
92.	3 U9Q	1.52	PPAR γ	2012
93.	3 V9T	1.65	PPAR γ	2012
94.	3 V9V	1.60	PPAR γ	2011
95.	3 VJH	2.20	PPAR γ	2012
96.	3 VJI	2.61	PPAR γ	2012
97.	3 V9Y	2.10	PPAR γ	2012
98.	3 VN2	2.18	PPAR γ	2012
99.	4PRG	2.90	PPAR γ	1999
100.	4 A4V	2.00	PPAR γ	2013
101.	4 A4W	2.00	PPAR γ	2013
102.	4 F9M	1.90	PPAR γ	2012

Q-Site Software: Using Q-site finder software tool, Some of the recent and efficient PDB file γ receptors with low resolution were selected and further evaluated by its Resolution value, R Free, R

value and optimised crystal ligand interaction details. Some of the selected receptors listed below from which the highlighted best PDB targets were selected for present study.

TABLE 2: SELECTION OF PDB USING Q-SITE FINDER SOFTWARE

PPAR- γ	Resolution	R- Value	BEST PBD TARGET
3FEJ	2.01	0.206	Ligand-Good PDB
1FM9	2.10	0.239	Ligand-Good PDB
3B1M	2.60	0.221	Peptide Linked
3KMG	2.10	0.245	Ligand-Good PDB
3V9V(Best)	1.60	0.226	Ligand-Excellent PDB

TABLE 3: ACTIVE SITE OF SELECTED PPAR RECEPTORS WERE IDENTIFIED USING THE SOFTWARE Q-SITE FINDER AND TABULATED AS BELOW

PPAR Receptors	PDB code	Active amino acids site
Gamma	3V9V	ARG280,288,CYS285,GLY286,284,GLU291,343HYS323,449,ILE341,326,262,281,LEU330,353,KYS367,MET329,334,364,348,PHE287,368,363,SER289,342,TYR327,VAL339,446
Gamma	3FEJ	ARG288,ALA282,278,333,CYS275,278,367,GLU286,GLU343,291,HIS323,328,440,449,LEU255,321,331,353,453,465,469,452,LYS367,ILE281,326,341,MET220,320,PHE282,363,360,SER289,342,TYR314,464,473,327,VAL324,339

Pharmacophore Identification: When reviewed the efficient journals and research articles, the target-naive screening library was already designed by using compounds from a relatively narrow and low molecular weight range (350-5000D), selected

diversity at both the putative “scaffold” core¹¹ The review of the literature shows that a typical PPAR γ agonist consists of an acidic head attached to an aromatic scaffold, a linker, and a hydrophobic tail.

Common structural features of PPAR agonists:¹²

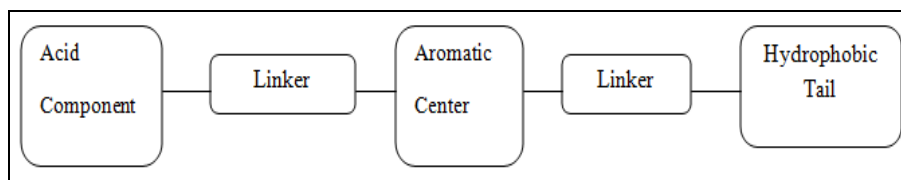


FIG. 3: STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS OF PPAR γ AGONISTS¹³

From the literature survey, the Common heterocycles used in designing PPAR γ agonists

resembling the common features of PPAR γ agonists have been listed below¹⁴

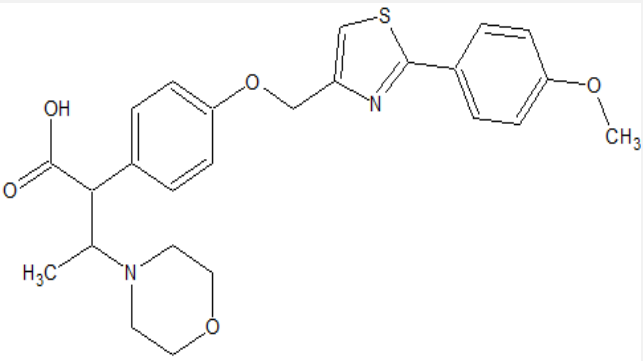
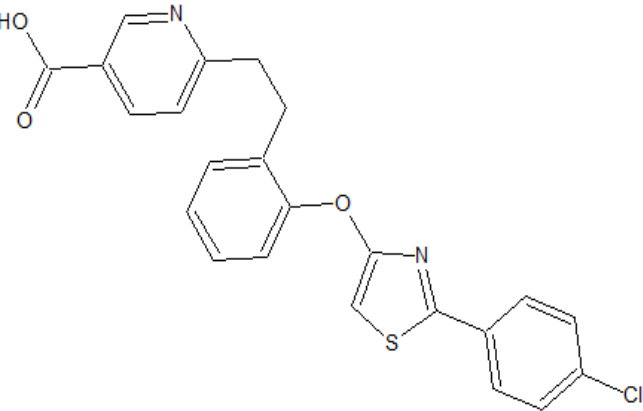
TABLE 4: COMMON HETEROCYCLES OF PPAR γ AGONISTS

Acidic Head	Linker1	Aromatic center	Linker2	Hydrophobic tail
Propionic Acid,	Ethyl,		Oxygen,	Indole, benzoxazole,
Thiazolidine,	Methyl	Phenyl	Ethoxy,	oxazole, benzimidazole,
2,4 dione,			Phenoxy,	pyridine, pyrimidine, thiazole,
Phenoxy acetic Acid,			Alkoxy,	pyrazole, pyrrole,
isooxazole,			Isopropoxy	piperidine, piperazine
isoquinline				benzofuran, benzoxazine

Based on the above literature facts, some new ligands have been identified, designed for further

molecular docking using ARGUS LAB 4.0.

TABLE 5: LIST OF DESIGNED LEADS

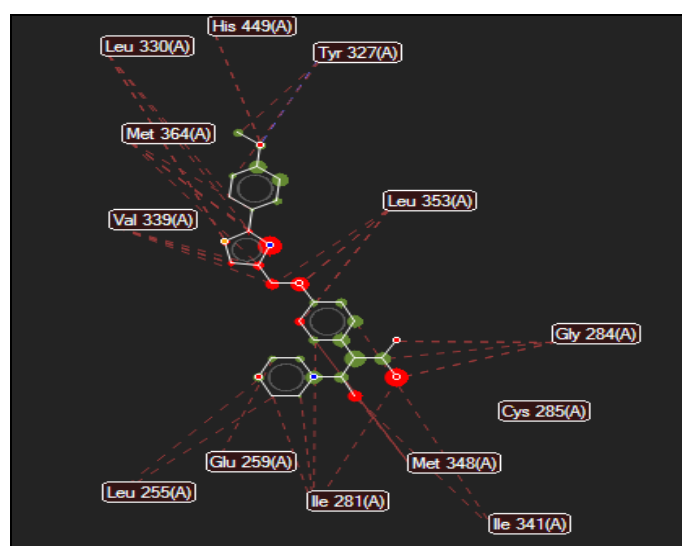
Designed leads	IUPAC name	Structure
Lead 1	2-{{2-(4-methoxy phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-4yl}methyl-2-methoxy phenyl}3-(morpholin-4-yl) butanoic acid	
Lead 2	6-[2-(4-{{2-(4-chlorophenyl)-1,3-thiazol-4yl}oxy} phenyl)ethyl]pyridine-3-carboxylic acid	

Docking Study of Leads: Docking procedures aim to identify correct poses of ligands in the binding

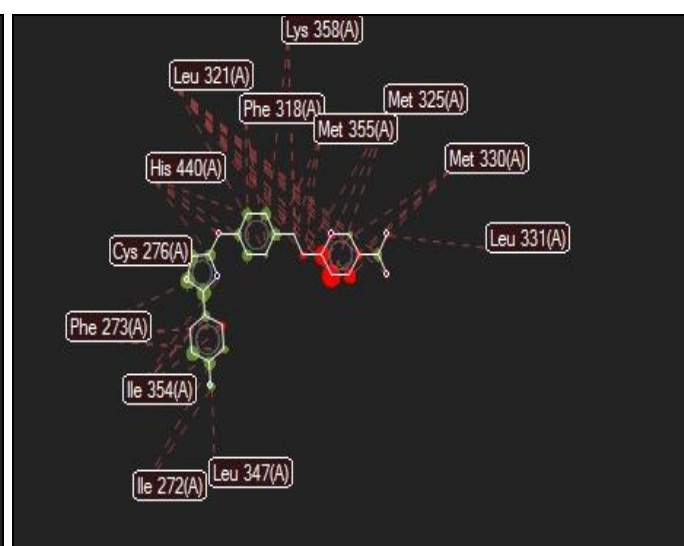
pocket of the protein and to identify and to predict the affinity between the ligands and the protein.¹⁵

Snapshots:

3FEJ



LEAD 1



LEAD 2

3V9V

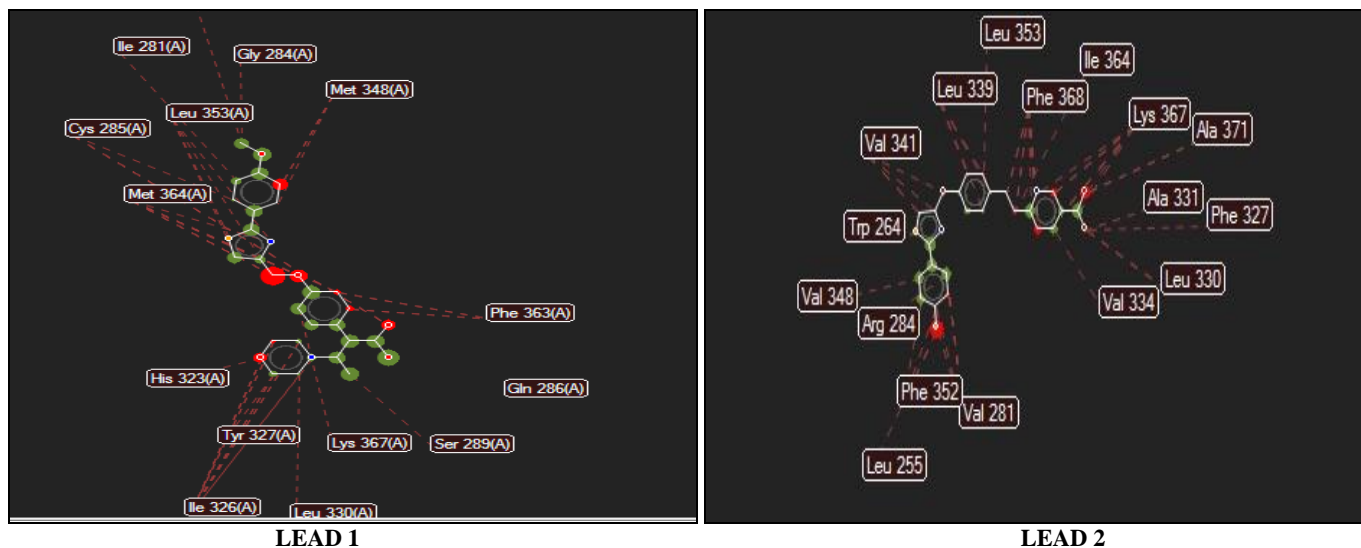


FIG. 4: INTERACTIONS OF LEADS 1 AND 2 WITH 3FEJ AND 3V9V

Stereo view of LEAD 1 and 2 in the active amino acid binding site of PPAR γ receptors, suggested by molecular docking studies. The colors are as

follows: H BONDS: Blue, Steric Interaction: Red, Interaction Overlay: Red and Green dots.

TABLE 6: DOCKINGSCORES OF LEADS USING ARGUS LAB 4.0

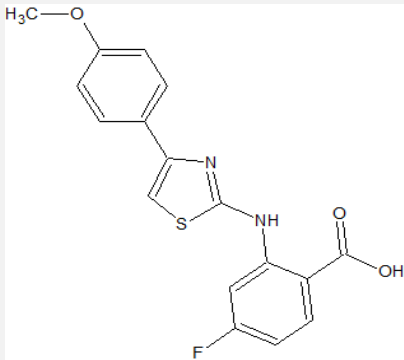
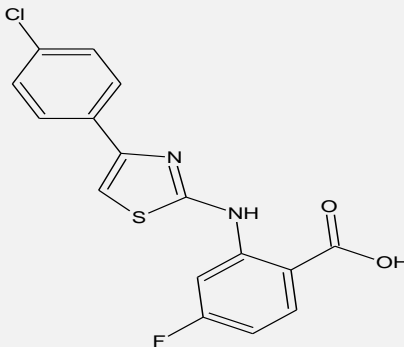
Protein	Ligand	Argus lab-binding energy (Kcal/ m)
3FEJ	LEAD 1	-11.0846
	LEAD 2	-11.0578
3V9V	LEAD 1	-11.0686
	LEAD 2	-10.3116

From the above obtained docking results and also based on the synthetic feasibility certain compounds containing thiazoleheterocycles were

synthesised and optimised using Lipinski rule of Five. They were also further subjected to molecular docking using ARGUS LAB 4.0.

TABLE 7: BASED ON SYNTHETIC FEASIBILITY, LIST OF COMPOUNDS TO BE SYNTHESISED

Synthesised compounds	IUPAC name	Structure
KPSV 1	4-{{[4-(4-chlorophenyl)-1,3-thiazol-2-yl]amino}benzoic acid	
KPSV 2	4-{{[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1,3-thiazol-2-yl]amino}benzoic acid	

KPSV 3	4-fluoro-2-{{4-(4-methoxy phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-2-yl}amino}benzoic acid	
KPSV 4	4-fluoro-2-{{4-(4-chloro phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-2-yl}amino}benzoic acid	

Lead Optimization Using Lipinski's Rule¹⁶: All the synthesised analogues were checked for Lipinski rule using online version of Mol

inspiration software and the results are depicted in table below.

TABLE 8: OPTIMISATION OF COMPOUNDS TO BE SYNTHESISED

Compound	Log P	Mol. Wt	TPSA	nOHNH	NON	No. of rotatable bonds	No. of violations
LEAD 1	4.629	468.575	81.131	1	7	9	0
LEAD 2	3.997	466.881	119.61	2	9	9	0
KPSV 1	5.25	330.788	62.22	2	4	4	0
KPSV 2	4.62	326.369	71.45	2	5	5	0
KPSV 3	4.90	344.360	71.45	2	5	5	0
KPSV 4	5.52	348.779	62.22	2	4	4	0

Synthesis:¹⁷⁻¹⁹

Procedure:

Step 1: Synthesis of p- (chloro /methoxy) phenacyl bromide: Dissolve 0.25 mol of p- (chloro/ methoxy) acetophenone in 100ml of anhydrous diethyl ether in a 500ml flask. To this add 1gm of anhydrous aluminium chloride followed by the addition of 0.25 mol of bromine in a drop wise manner from a dropping funnel for about 30 minutes. Shake the mixture vigorously during the addition and also maintain the temperature around 20-30°C. The final product commences to separate as needles after about half of the bromine has been introduced. When the addition is complete, Cool the mixture in ice water, filter the crude product and recrystallise it using rectified spirit. The purity of product was

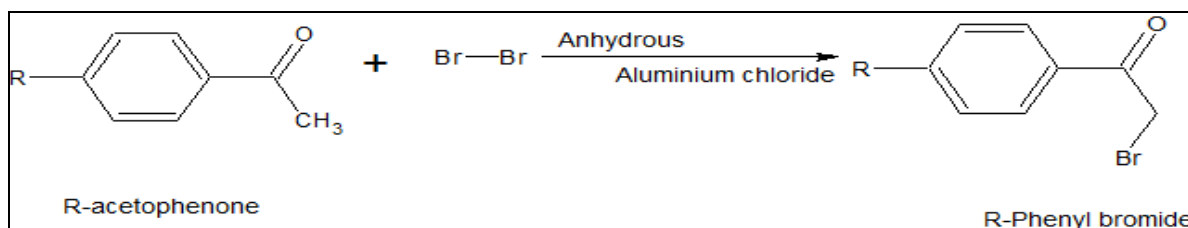
established by single spot on T.L.C. plate. The percentage of yield was found to be 85%w/w.

Step 2: Synthesis of 2-Amino-4- (p-chloro/methoxy) phenyl thiazole: Suspend 1mol of p- (chloro/methoxy) phenacyl bromide and 1 mol of thiourea in 100ml of absolute alcohol in a 500ml round bottomed flask fitted with condenser. The reaction mixture was refluxed on water bath for 2 hrs. To this add 2g sodium hydroxide pellets. To this add petroleum ether in a separating flask. Evaporate the ether layer and the resulting solid residue was washed, filtered and recrystallised using rectified spirit. The purity of product was established by single spot on T.L.C. plate. The percentage of yield was found to be 80%w/w.

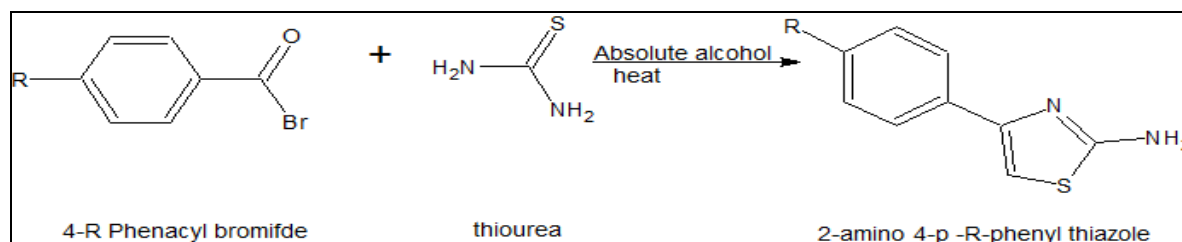
Step 3: Synthesis of 4-[[4-(4-chlorophenyl)-1,3-thiazol-2-yl]amino]benzoic acid: 2-Amino-4-(p-chloro/methoxy) phenyl thiazole (1.5 gm, 0.02 mol) and 4 ml of dry benzene were placed in a 100 ml round bottomed flask fitted with water condenser. To this 4-chloro benzoic acid (0.02 mol) was added drop wise. The reaction mixture was refluxed on

water bath at 80° c for 4 hrs. The resulting solid residue was washed with aqueous solution of sodium bicarbonate (50 ml) followed by ice cold water. The resulting product obtained was recrystallised using ethanol. The purity of product was established by single spot on T.L.C. plate. The percentage of yield was found to be 70% w/w.

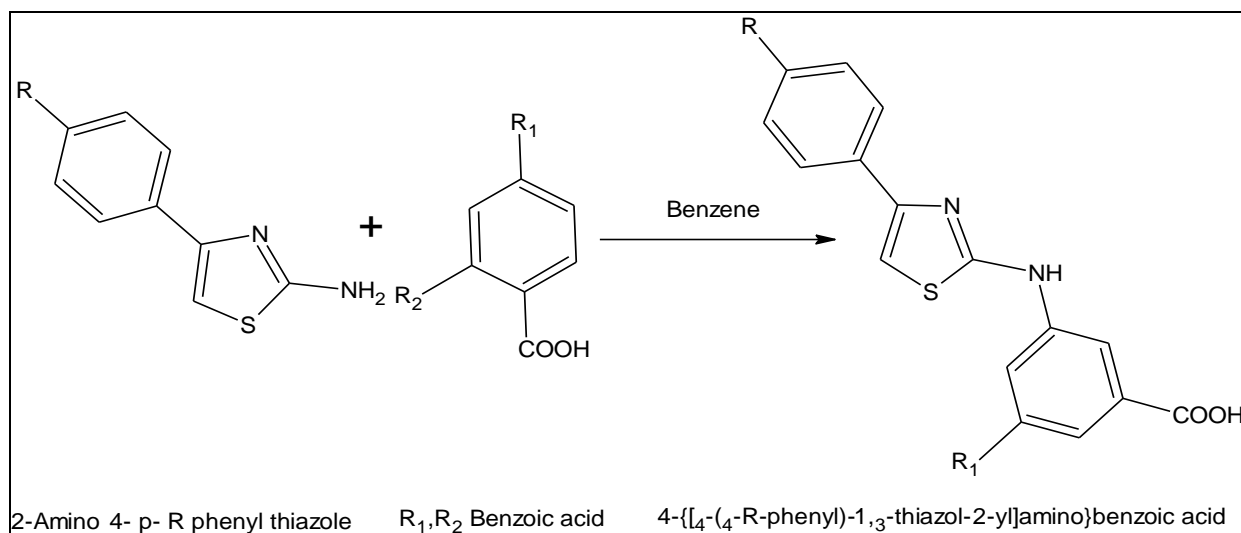
Scheme:



STEP 1:



STEP 2



STEP 3

Where R = Cl / OCH₃ R₁ = F, R₂ = Cl

Physicochemical Properties of Substituted Thiazole:

TABLE 9: PHYSICO-CHEMICAL PROPERTIES OF SUBSTITUTED THIAZOLE

S.no.	Code	R	R1	R2	Molecular formula	Molecular weight	% yield	Melting point	TLC(Rf)
1.	KPSV-1	Cl	H	Cl	C ₁₆ H ₁₁ ClN ₂ O ₂ S	330.788	70.25	160 ⁰	0.8
2.	KPSV-2	OCH ₃	H	Cl	C ₁₇ H ₁₄ N ₂ O ₃ S	326.369	75.16	164 ⁰	0.7
3.	KPSV-3	OCH ₃	F	Cl	C ₁₇ H ₁₃ FN ₂ O ₃ S	344.360	80.32	170 ⁰	0.7
4.	KPSV-4	Cl	F	Cl	C ₁₆ H ₁₀ ClFN ₂ O ₂ S	348.779	85.92	168 ⁰	0.6

Characterisation of Synthesised Compounds:

Comp. code. KPSV 1: (C₁₆H₁₁ClN₂O₂S);4-[[4-(4-chlorophenyl) - 1, 3-thiazol-2-yl] amino]benzoic acid; Mol. wt: 330.788; C(58.09%), H(3.35%), Cl (10.72%), N(8.47%), O(9.67%), S(9.69%); IR Values: 3448.47cm⁻¹ (O-H str); 3070.45cm⁻¹(C=H str); 1689.52cm⁻¹(C=O str); 1596.94cm⁻¹(C=N str); 678.89cm⁻¹ (C-Clstr)

Comp. code: KPSV 2: (C₁₇H₁₄N₂O₃S);4-[[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1,3-thiazol-2-yl] amino] benzoic acid; Mol. wt : 326.369; C(62.56%), H(4.32%), N(8.58%), O(14.71%), S(9.83%) IR Values: 3456.18cm⁻¹ (O-H str); 3070.45cm⁻¹ (C=H str); 1596.94cm⁻¹ (C=N str); 678.89cm⁻¹ (C-Clstr)

Comp. code: KPSV 3: C₁₇H₁₃FN₂O₃S;4-fluoro-2-[[4-(4-methoxy phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-2-yl] amino] benzoic acid; Mol. Wt:344.360;C(59.29%),H(3.81%),

3FEJ

N(8.13%), O(13.94%), S(9.83%), F(5.52%); IR Values:1311.50cm⁻¹(C-C str); 2923.87cm⁻¹ (C-H str); 1689.52cm⁻¹(C-Ostr); 1596.94cm⁻¹(C-N str); 678.89cm⁻¹(C-Cl str)

Comp.code:4 KPSV;C₁₆H₁₀ClFN₂O₂S;4-fluoro-2-[[4-(4-chloro phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-2-yl] amino] benzoic acid; Mol. wt: 348.77; C(55.10%), H(2.89%), N(8.03%), O(9.17%), S(9.19%), F(5.45%) 1311.50cm⁻¹ (C-C str); 3085.88cm⁻¹ (C-H str); 1689.52cm⁻¹ (C-O str); 1596.94cm⁻¹ (C-Nstr); 678.89cm⁻¹; (C-Cl str); 3425.33cm⁻¹ (O-H str);

Docking Studies of Synthesised Compounds:

Snap Shots: ARGUS LAB 4.0 docking results between Peroxisome Proliferator Activated Receptor (PPAR γ) along with four synthesised ligands PPAR γ :

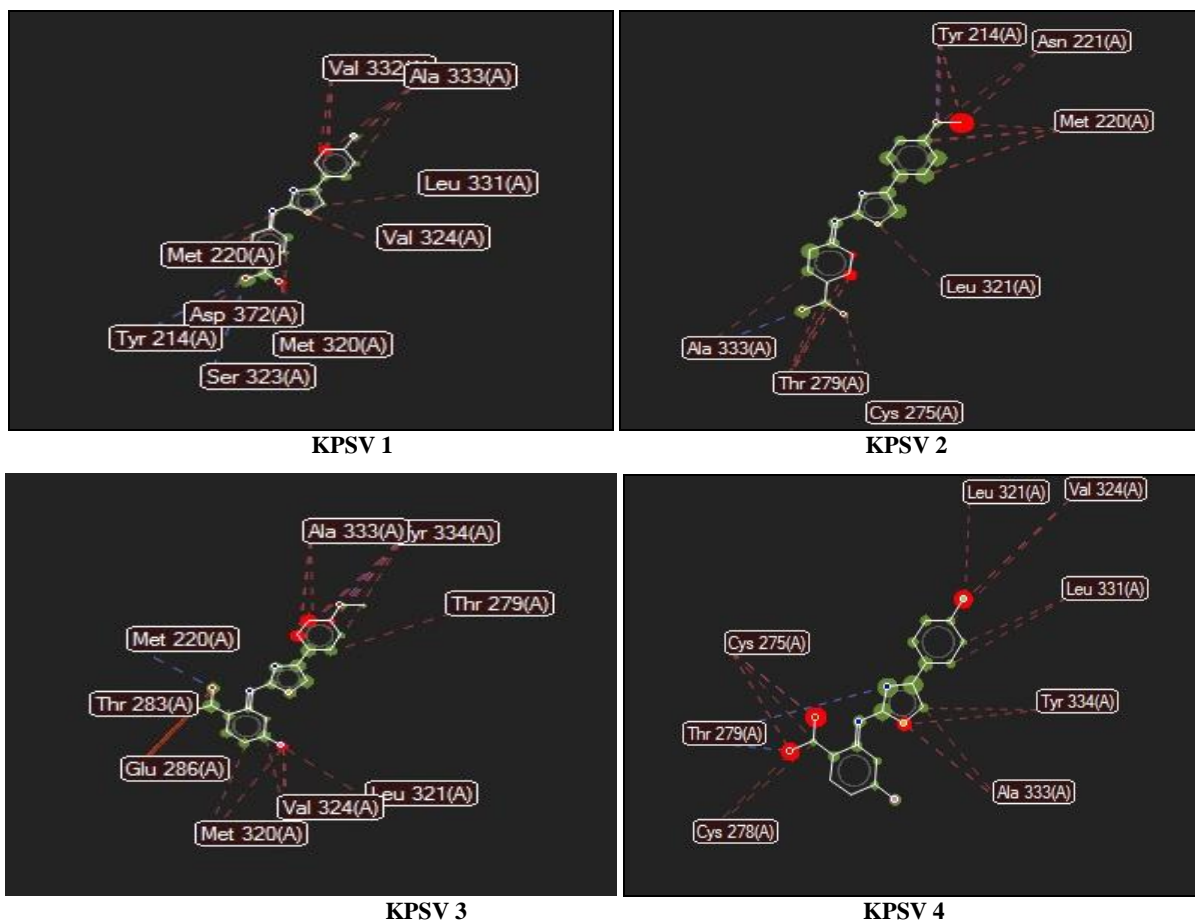


FIG. 5: INTERACTIONS OF KPSV 1, 2, 3, 4 WITH 3FEJ

Stereo view of KPSV 1, 2, 3, 4, in the active amino acid binding site of PPAR γ receptor 3 FEJ, suggested by molecular docking studies. The colors

are as follows: H Bonds: Blue, Steric Interaction: Red, Interaction Overlay: Red and Green dots.

3V9V

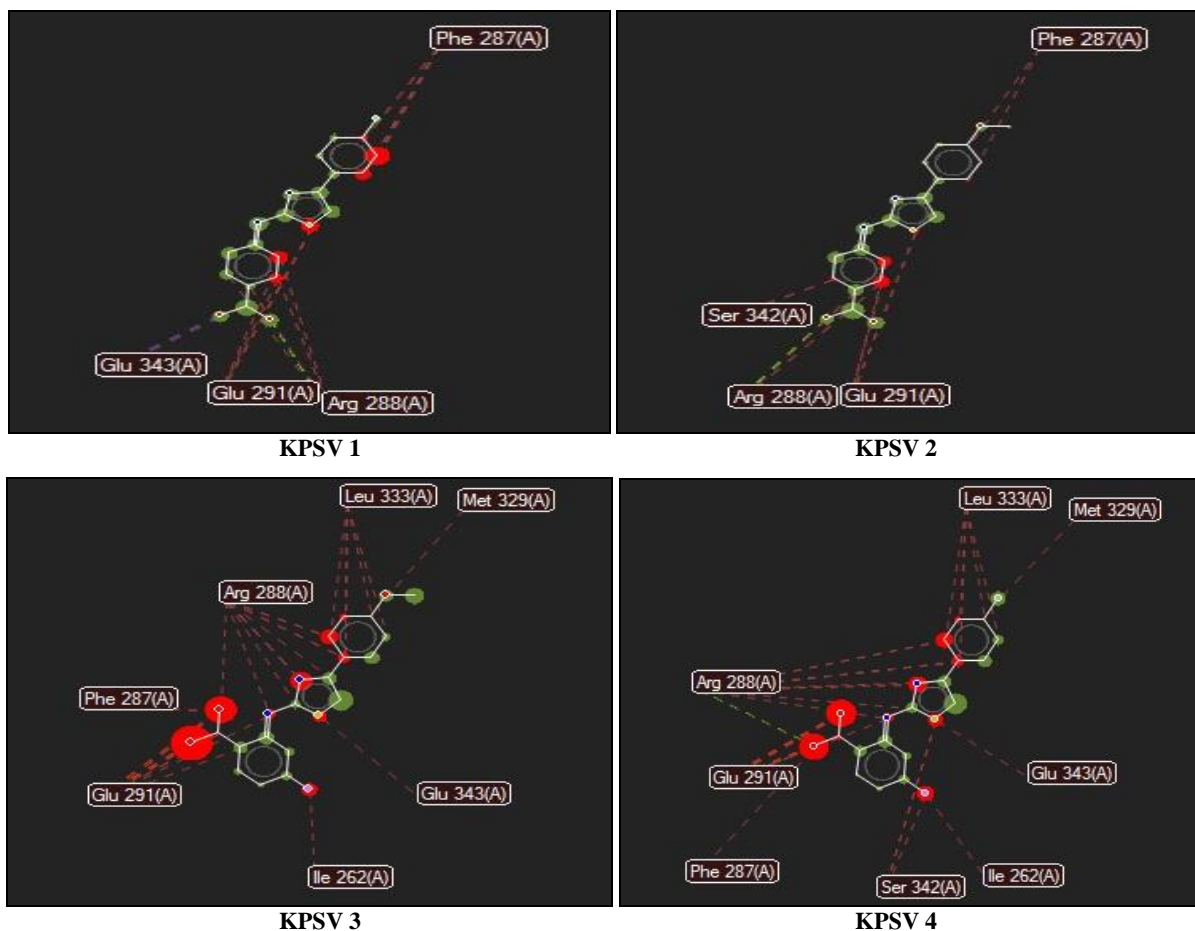
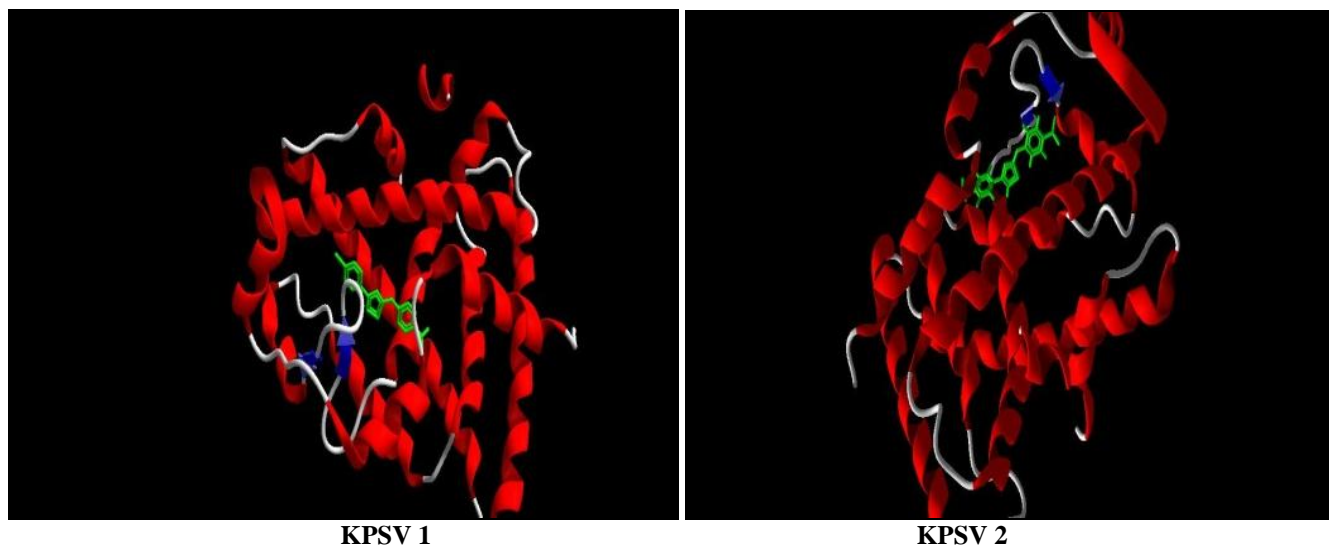


FIG. 6: INTERACTIONS OF KPSV 1, 2, 3, 4 WITH 3V9V

Stereo view of KPSV 1, 2, 3, 4 in the active amino acid binding site of PPAR γ receptors 3V9V, suggested by molecular docking studies. The

colors are as follows: H Bonds: Blue, Steric Interaction: Red, Interaction Overlay: Red and Green dots.

Docking View with 3FEJ



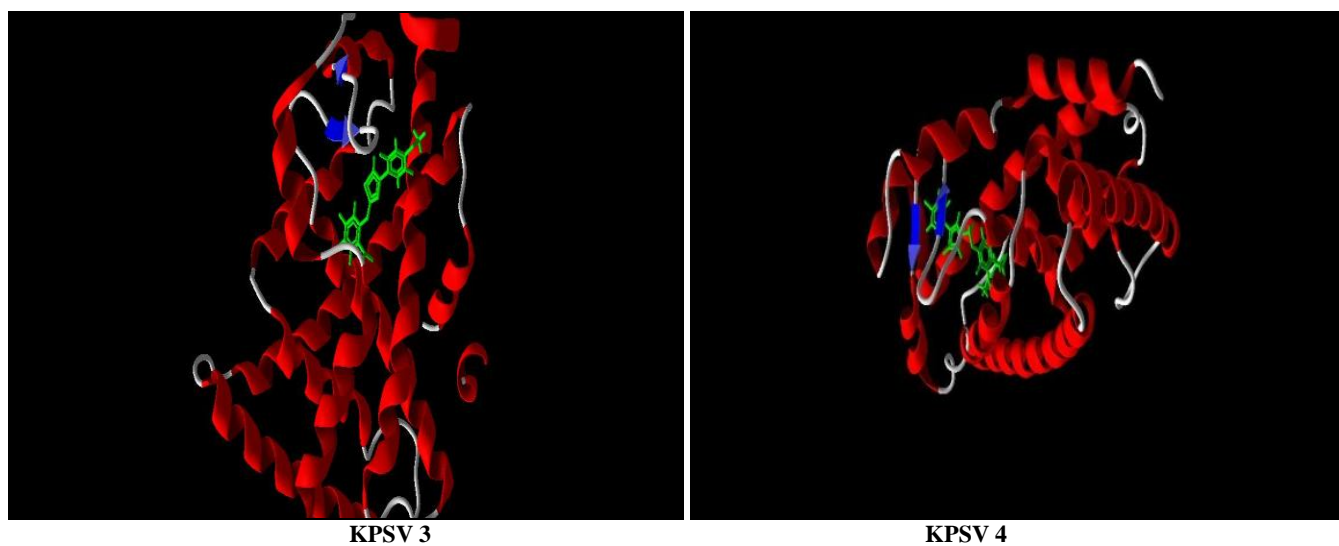


FIG.7: DOCKING VIEW OF KPSV 1, 2, 3, 4 WITH 3FEJ

Docking View with 3V9V

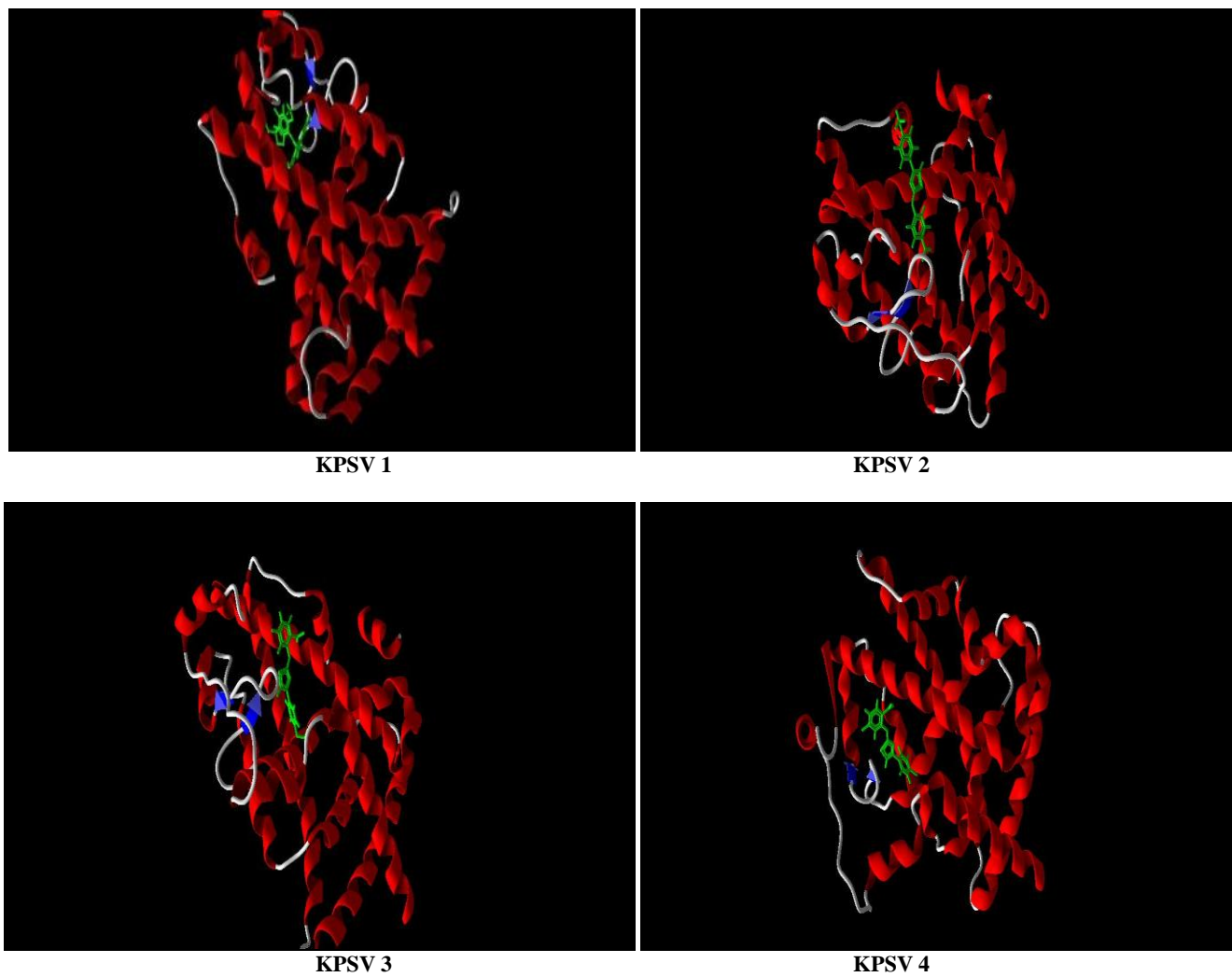


FIG. 8: DOCKING VIEW OF KPSV 1, 2, 3, 4 WITH 3V9V

TABLE 10: RESULTS OF MOLECULAR DOCKING STUDIES USING ARGUS LAB 4.0

Receptor	Compounds	Docking Score kcal/mol
3FEJ	KPSV 1	-10.5584
	KPSV 2	-9.7660
	KPSV 3	-9.4585
	KPSV 4	-9.3435
3V9V	KPSV 1	-9.0188
	KPSV 2	-8.4113
	KPSV 3	-8.0190
	KPSV 4	-8.7298

Evaluation of Anti-Diabetic Activity:

α Amylase Inhibitory Method: ^{20, 21} α -amylase was dissolved in phosphate buffer saline (PBS, 0.02 mol/L, pH 6.8) at a concentration of 0.1 mg/mL. Various concentrations of sample solutions

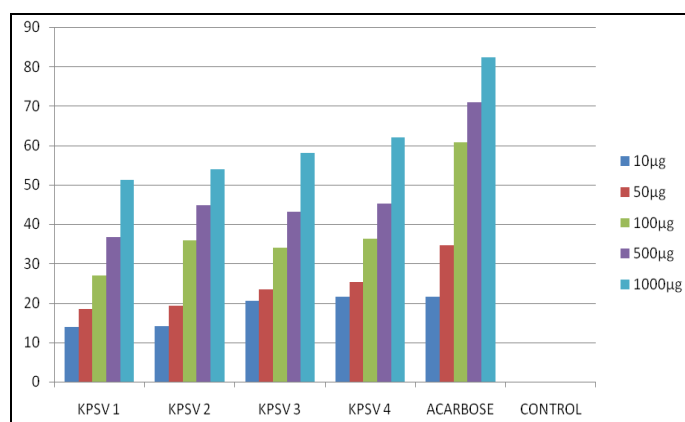
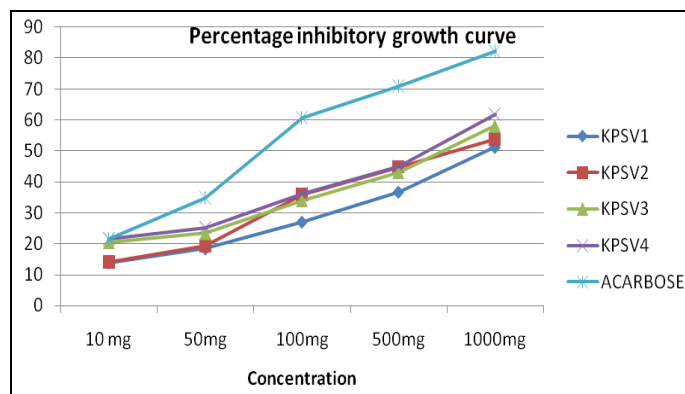
(0.25 mL) were mixed with α -amylase solution (0.25 mL) and incubated at 37°C for 5 min. Then the reaction was initiated by adding 0.5 mL 1.0% (w/v) starch substrate solution to the incubation medium. After incubation at 37°C for 3 min, the reaction was stopped by adding 0.5mL DNS reagent (1% Dinitrosalicylic acid, 0.05% Na₂SO₃ and 1% NaOH solution) to the reaction mixture and boiling at 100 °C for 5 min. After cooling to room temperature, the absorbance (Abs) at 540 nm was recorded by a spectrophotometer. The inhibition percentage was calculated by the following equation:

$$\text{Inhibition (\%)} = \frac{(\text{Abs1} - \text{Abs2})}{\text{Abs1}} \times 100$$

where, Abs1=sample and Abs2 = control.

TABLE 11: α AMYLASE INHIBITORY ACTIVITY

S.no	Compound code	10 μ g	50 μ	100 μ	500 μ g	1000 μ g
1.	KPSV 1	13.88 \pm 0.26	18.42 \pm 0.45	27.06 \pm 0.78	36.73 \pm 0.76	51.18 \pm 0.67
2.	KPSV 2	14.1 \pm 0.28	19.35 \pm 0.53	35.9 \pm 0.91	44.86 \pm 0.53	53.91 \pm 0.83
3.	KPSV 3	20.51 \pm 0.17	23.45 \pm 0.34	34.04 \pm 0.83	43.12 \pm 0.28	58.11 \pm 0.78
4.	KPSV 4	21.6 \pm 0.35	25.32 \pm 0.42	36.2 \pm 0.52	45.12 \pm 0.34	61.92 \pm 0.65
5.	ACARBOSE	21.52 \pm 0.29	34.73 \pm 0.61	60.75 \pm 0.48	70.89 \pm 0.48	82.23 \pm 0.24
6.	CONTROL	0.062	0.062	0.062	0.062	0.062

**FIG. 9: PERCENTAGE GROWTH INHIBITION****GRAPH 1: α AMYLASE INHIBITORY ACTIVITY OF SYNTHESISED SUBSTITUTED THIAZOLES AND ACARBOSE**

α -Glucosidase Inhibitory Activity: ^{20, 21} The α glucosidase reaction mixture contains 2.9 mM p-nitrophenyl- α D-glucopyranoside (p NPG) (Sigma-Aldrich), 0.25 ml of extract (varying concentrations) in DMSO and 0.6 U/ml baker's yeast α -glucosidase in sodium phosphate buffer, pH 6.9. Control tubes contain only DMSO, enzyme and substrate, while in positive control acarbose replaced the synthesised compounds. Mixture without enzyme, synthesised compounds and acarbose served as blanks. The reaction mixture were incubated at 25 C for 5 min, after which the reaction was stopped by boiling for 2 min.

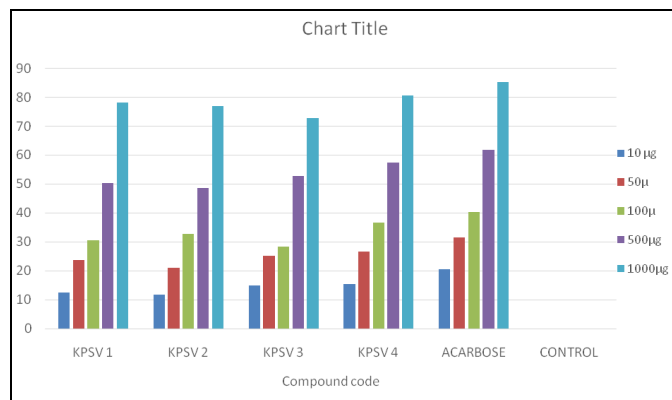
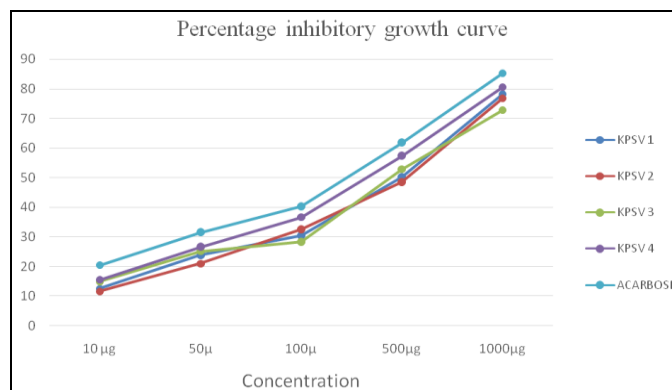
Absorbance of the resulting p-Nitrophenol (pNP) was determined at 405 nm and was considered directly to the activity of the enzyme. Glucosidase activity inhibition was determined as percentage of control as follows:

$$\% \text{ Glucosidase inhibition (\%)} = \frac{(\text{Abs1} - \text{Abs2})}{\text{Abs1}} \times 100$$

where, Abs1=sample and Abs2 = control.

TABLE 11: α -GLUCOSIDASE INHIBITORY ACTIVITY

S.no	Compound code	10 μ g	50 μ	100 μ	500 μ g	1000 μ g
1.	KPSV 1	12.52 \pm 0.18	23.77 \pm 0.37	30.44 \pm 0.59	50.24 \pm 0.18	78.10 \pm 0.23
2.	KPSV 2	11.65 \pm 0.61	20.98 \pm 0.82	32.61 \pm 0.63	48.55 \pm 0.22	76.78 \pm 0.26
3.	KPSV 3	14.89 \pm 0.54	25.10 \pm 0.53	28.34 \pm 0.77	52.79 \pm 0.34	72.65 \pm 0.17
4.	KPSV 4	15.47 \pm 0.32	26.56 \pm 0.34	36.56 \pm 0.80	57.32 \pm 0.57	80.46 \pm 0.46
5.	ACARBOSE	20.44 \pm 0.46	31.50 \pm 0.73	40.24 \pm 0.57	61.77 \pm 0.61	85.10 \pm 0.38
6.	CONTROL	0.026	0.026	0.026	0.026	0.026

**FIG. 10: PERCENTAGE GROWTH INHIBITION****GRAPH 2: α GLUCOSIDASE INHIBITORY ACTIVITY OF SYNTHESISED SUBSTITUTED THIAZOLES AND ACARBOSE****RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS:**

PPAR (Peroxisome Proliferator Activated Receptor) agonist play a critical role in treating metabolic diseases, especially the type-2 diabetes mellitus (T2DM). In a search for more effective anti-diabetic treatment, we first aimed to work on a series of compounds that selectively modulate the activities of Peroxisome Proliferator-activated receptor γ . By reviewing the literature many scientific medical journals of existing PPAR γ agonists, it was found that a typical PPAR γ agonist consists of an acidic head attached to an aromatic scaffold, a linker, and hydrophobic tail. Based on these facts, new ligands containing thiazole heterocyclic nucleus have been designed and made ready for docking studies.

The PPAR activities of the designed NCEs were predicted by the developed models and then they were subjected to docking studies using ARGUS LAB 4.0 PPAR γ (PDB code 3FEJ, 3V9V) to predict the binding affinities and interactions of the ligands at the active sites of the receptors. The hydrogen bonding interactions of the selected molecules at the active sites of PPAR γ was also determined to identify which lead interacts better with the target proteins and results were tabulated. Based on the synthetic feasibility, certain compounds containing thiazoleheterocycles were synthesised and optimised using Lipinski rule of five. The synthesised compounds were characterised by IR, NMR, and Spectraldata's.

All the four synthesised compounds revealed a significant inhibitory action on α amylase and α glucosidase enzyme when evaluated for their antidiabetic activity. The percentage inhibition at 10 μ g to 1000 μ g/ml concentrations of all the four synthesised compounds showed a concentration dependent increase in percentage inhibition in both the α - amylase and α -glucosidase inhibitory methods. Compound KPSV 4 exhibited a percentage inhibition varying from 61.92 \pm 0.65 to 21.6 \pm 0.35 for highest concentration 1000 μ g/ml to lowest concentration 100 μ g/ml against α amylase enzyme and 80.46 \pm 0.46 to 15.47 \pm 0.32 for highest concentration 1000 μ g/ml to lowest concentration 100 μ g/ml against α glucosidase enzyme.

For Acarbose, 10 μ g of sample exhibits 21.52 % growth of inhibition. 50 μ g of sample exhibits 34.73 % growth of inhibition. 100 μ g of sample exhibits 60.75 % growth of inhibition. 500 μ g of sample exhibits 70.83 % growth of inhibition. 1000 μ g of sample exhibits 82.23 % growth of inhibition.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS: Based on the literature facts, all the existing partial agonists found to possess mainly three parts of the

pharmacophore acidic head, a linker, and a hydrophobic tail. Four different compounds have been synthesised and subjected to docking studies. Then the synthesised compounds were subjected to optimization using Lipinski's rule of five.

Docking is performed by using ARGUS LAB 4.0 docking studies showed the important interactions of lead molecules possess with some of the common active site residues like ARG 288, CYS 28, HIS 323, HIS 449, LEU 353, LYS 367, MET 364, MET 348, PHE 363 of different PPAR γ receptors like 3FEJ, 3V9V.

The synthesised compounds were evaluated for their antidiabetic activity by α amylase and α glucosidase inhibitory methods and all were found to exhibit an effective inhibition against both the enzymes. Out of the four synthesised compounds, KPSV 4 was found to be most effective with percentage growth inhibition of 61.92% and 80.46% at 1000 μ g when compared with other three compounds.

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