

Exercise in QSAR – determination of dependence of anti-fungal or antibacterial activity of parabens against *Aspergillus niger* or *Staphylococcus aureus* respectively; or toxicity of parabens on their lipophilicity expressed by various parameters and also on other structure parameters

•repeat the chapter about physico-chemical properties and mainly QSAR from MC I

We are looking for a dependence = a function

$\log (1/\text{MIC}) = f(\text{parameter})$ in the form $\log (1/\text{MIC}) = ax + b$ or $\log (1/\text{MIC}) = ax^2 + bx + c$

a) $\log k'$ from RP-HPLC: stationary phase: a column eg. C18; mobile phase e.g. methanol : water 6:4, stream 0.6 ml/min., injected 20 μl of mixture of parabens of concentration 0.1 mg/ml each, also containing a compound for dead retention time determination t_0 (eg. acetone)

$$\log k' = \log\left(\frac{t_r - t_0}{t_0}\right),$$

b) further hydrophobic, electronic, steric and other parameters either experimentally determined (from the literature) or calculated: $\log P$ for various systems, $\log D$ at given pH, molar volume, Taft steric constant E_s , parachor, molar refractivity, Dreiding energy...

Calculation & results

- $\log P_{\text{exp}}$: ChemId; primary literature resources (=articles, patents); for a chance to acquire a good correlation, it's desirable to have values for all the compounds from the same resource (a journal article) when it is assumed that they have been determined in the same way
- $\log P_{\text{calc}}$: ChemSketch, Marvin Beans
- molar volume: ChemSketch
- other calculated parameters
- with values R_m , $\log P$, and $\log k'$ and others, perform a **linear regression** in MS Excel or an equivalent, or in a suitable statistics software; where
 - the activity represented by $\log (1/\text{MIC})$ is a **dependent quantity**;
 - $\log P$, R_m , $\log k'$ etc. - **independent quantity**
- compose the **equation** from resulted values, present also the linear correlation coefficient R , and the value of Fisher-Snedecor test F
- input data in the table and results into the report
- upload the report into the subject homework vault **QSAR of parabens** in IS until **May 15th**

Individual tasks:

1. log P from ChemId vs. activity against *A. niger*; calculate activity of hexylparaben (MIC) provided that the linear dependence also applies in the homologous series after pentylparaben <https://chem.nlm.nih.gov/chemidplus/>
2. log P from the article Kobayashi Y. et al.: Eur J Pharm Sci **21**, 471-477 (2004) vs. activity against *A. niger*; calculate activity (MIC) of hexylparaben assuming the linear dependence also applies in the homologous series after pentylparaben.
3. log k' from RP-HPLC on C₁₈ reverse phase vs. activity against *A. niger*. Peak assignation: 1 - t₀, 2 – methylparaben, 3 – ethylparaben, 4 – isopropylparaben, 5 – propylparaben, 6 – isobutylparaben, 7 – secbutylparaben, 9 – butylparaben, 10 – pentylparaben. Assume that the linear dependence also applies for branched esters, and calculate their MICs.
4. logP calculated in Marvin Beans by the “Consensus” algorithm vs. activity against *S. aureus*; calculate activity (MIC) of heptylparaben.
5. logP calculated in ChemSketch vs. activity against *S. aureus*; calculate activity (MIC) of undecylparaben.
6. Molar volume calculated in ChemSketch vs. activity against *S. aureus*; if a linear dependence is demonstrated (R > 0.75), calculate MIC of nonylparaben.

Procedure of calculation in Excel (no problem with use of other software)

- data of activity and a structure parameter along into two adjacent columns of the table
- select a rectangle of 2 x 4 cells at other place other than the input data are
- select the function LINEST (linear regression)
- select the column of the **structure parameter** as **data x**
- column of **activity** as **data y**
- type B = true, Stat = true
- “perform calculation”(OK)
- you’ll get the results in the table placed likewise in the table at the bottom, if not, the value **a** appears in the top left corner cell of the selected rectangle; press F2, and then CTRL+ SHIFT + ENTER
- now, the required results should appear; you can compose now the equation in the form $y = ax + b$ (eg. $\log(1/\text{MIC}) = a \cdot \log P + b$); r^2 ... square of the linear correlation coefficient; s_y ... standard deviation of the estimate, F ... Fischer-Snedecor test value

a	b
s_a	s_b
r^2	s_y
F	d_f

Procedure of linear regression calculation in LibreOffice Calc

- similar as in Excel but 3 individual functions must be step-wisely used:
 - SLOPE for calculation of **a**
 - INTERCEPT for calculation of **b**
 - CORREL for the correlation coefficient **r**

Marvin Sketch

- available from <https://chemaxon.com/products/marvin/download#download>
- the free license needs to be renewed every 2 months
- for Windows, Mac, Linux (Debian, RedHat)

Calculations in Marvin

- draw the structure
- 2D optimization (Structure-Clean 2D)
- Calculations
- Partitioning-logP-OK-OK(-logD-OK-OK)
- Charge-Polarizability
- Geometry-Geometrical Descriptors-OK-OK
- Other-Refractivity-OK-OK

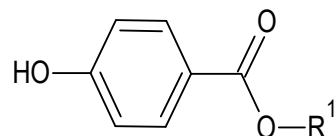
ACD ChemSketch

- available for free 30days trial from webstore.acdlabs.com
- registration required

Calculations in ChemSketch

- log P: draw the structure, select Log P right on the top bar
- other parameters: draw the structure, select Tools – Calculate – (appropriate parameter) on the top bar

Values of log(1/MIC) of parabens against *Aspergillus niger* and *Staphylococcus aureus*



R ¹	log (1/MIC) <i>A.niger</i>	log (1/MIC) <i>S.aureus</i>	Structure parameter
CH ₃	-0,11	-2.818	
C ₂ H ₅	0,12	-	
C ₃ H ₇	0,33	-2.745	
C ₄ H ₉	0,56	-2.411	
C ₅ H ₁₁	0,57	-	
C ₈ H ₁₅	-	-2.301	
C ₁₀ H ₂₁	-	-0.748	
CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₅ CH(OH)(CH ₂) ₂	-	-2.230	
(CH ₃) ₂ CH(CH ₂) ₈	-	-1.932	
(CH ₃) ₂ CH(CH ₂) ₅ CH(OH)(CH ₂) ₂	-	-1.909	
C ₁₂ H ₂₅	-	-2.213	
CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₅ CH=CH(CH ₂) ₄	-	-1.613	

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