Physicochemical Properties of analogs 𝛼-Aminophosphonates Drugs Determined via Molecular Dynamics Simulation

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Abstract

Objective: Cyclin-dependent kinases (CDKs), play important roles in cell cycle regulation. Since deregulation of cyclins and/or alteration or absence of inhibitors has been associated with many cancers, there is strong interest in CDKs inhibitors that could play an necessary role in the discovery of a new family of antitumor agents. Material and Methods: Molecular modeling is used to design new materials, which the correct prediction of physical properties of realistic systems is required. Gromacs is an tool to perform molecular dynamics simulations and energy minimization of bimolecular systems which commonly consists of several tens to thousands of amino acid residues. From the simulations the first 100 ps were regarded as equilibration, leaving 900 ps for analysis purposes. Results: Thermodynamic properties density, potential energy, temperature, and pressure are given. In this results tetramethyl ((1,4-phenylenebis (azanediyl)) bis ((4-chlorophenyl) methylene)) bis (phosphonate) was found to be the better selective known inhibitor for cyclin-dependent kinase2 because it shown lowest energy. Conclusion: The phosphoric acid moiety is considered to bind to the affected protein more actively than the corresponding carboxylic acid because of its di anionic character.

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Introduction

Understanding the function of biomolecules using the available structural data is one of the grand objections of the current century. The problem is too complex for analytical approaches; thus, progress in the field has been made principally via computer simulations. To rapid developments in computer technology, the growth in the field, in particular in molecular dynamics (MD) simulations, has been phenomenal [1]. From the early 1980s, three MD simulation packages with their associated force fields have prominent themselves, namely, AMBER, CHARMM and GROMACS. At present most of the simulation work on biomolecules is carried out using one of these packages. The force fields frequently used in molecular dynamics simulations of proteins are optimized under bulk conditions [2].

Cyclin-dependent kinases (CDKs), specially CDK1, CDK2, CDK4, and CDK6, play important roles in cell cycle regulation. CDK misregulation is indicated in a number of disease states, and in particular cancer. To advance such studies, small molecule cyclin-dependent kinase inhibitors would be worthy biochemical tools [3]. The cyclin-dependent kinases (CDKs) are a conserved family of proline-directed serine/threonine kinases that play a key role in regulation of cell cycle in eukaryotic cells [4]. The activity of CDKs is regulated most acutely through interaction with cyclins [5]. In addition, CDK also show a role in apoptosis (CDK2) and in the control of transcription (CDK7, 8, 9) [6]. Protein kinases, through phosphorylation reactions, are involved in the regulation of various cellular activities since they belong to the cellular signaling molecules and therefore regulate all the processes that are basic for growth, development and homeostasis of eukaryotic cells [7]. Since deregulation of cyclins and/or alteration or absence of inhibitors has been associated with many cancers, there is strong interest in CDKs inhibitors that could play an necessary role in the discovery of a new family of antitumor agents [8].

𝛼-Aminophosphonates are considered to be the structural analogs of the corresponding esters of
α-amino acids and have been reported to expend several pharmacological activities such as their potential usage as anticancer drugs, enzymes inhibitors, haptons of catalytic antibodies, pharmacologic agents, antifungals, insecticides, plant growth regulators, and anti-HIV agents[9].

Materials and Methods

Molecular dynamics becomes the most effective way to express the details of the flow and to study many fundamental Nano fluid problems, which can be acutely difficult to investigate by other means [10].

Molecular modeling is used to design new materials, which the correct prediction of physical properties of realistic systems is required (Figure 1).

Gromacs is an tool to perform molecular dynamics simulations and energy minimization of biomolecular systems which commonly consists of several tens to thousands of amino acid residues [11].

In the present study, the gromacs software was employed for docking synthetic compounds into a protein, cyclin-dependent kinase 2 (PDB ID: 1GIH). GROMACS is an engine to perform molecular dynamics simulations and energy minimization. These are two of the many techniques that belong to the realm of computational chemistry and molecular modeling.

Different simulations were performed using Groningen machine for chemical simulations (GROMACS) 4.5 package.

From the simulations the first 100 ps were regarded as equilibration, leaving 900 ps for analysis purposes. Thermodynamic properties density, potential energy, temperature, and pressure are given.

Diffusion coefficient (D), represents the mean square displacement (MSD) and was calculated by GROMACS program g_msd.

Results

By reason of highly commercial and pharmaceutical importance and also to understand the biochemical and molecular basis of the biosynthesis of the natural compound is an interesting exercise [12].

These have considerable success in applying such basic screening approaches in the development of more potent and selective inhibitors against a range of different targets [13].

Hydrogen bonding is essential for the conformation and function of proteins. Proteins respond to change in pressure and temperature by diversity the number of hydrogen bonds with water [14].

The potential energy can be calculated as bonded (intra-molecular) and non-bonded (intermolecular) interactions. There are two potential functions to be concerned about between non-bonded atoms: Columbic interactions between electrostatic charges and Lennard-Jones interaction energy that reflects the van der Waals interaction between atoms. There are four types of interaction of bonded atoms: stretching along the bond and represents the energy required to stretch or compress a covalent bond, bending between bonds, planar distortion, and torsion [15].

The next simulations were done on the charged and neutral drugs (Table 1) in different dosages, in the presence of water molecules, and in the immediate vicinity of the interface of the CDK2. The GROMOS force field, modified by Berger, and introduced as an appropriate force field, was also used in the calculations (Figure 2). This analysis for determining the hydrogen bonding is based on the cutoffs for the acceptor-donor-hydrogen angle and the hydrogen-acceptor distance. Oxygen always acts as an acceptor, and the functional groups, such as NH and OH, act as donors.

In this results tetramethyl ((1,4-phenylenebis(azanediyl)) bis ((4-chlorophenyl) methylene)) bis (phosphonate) was found to be the better selective known inhibitor for cyclin-dependent kinase2 because it shown lowest energy. Assuming that the system comprises of N atoms with mass \( m_i \) at positions \( \mathbf{r}_i \) the Hamiltonian of the total system is written as [16]:

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H = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{m_i}{2} \dot{r}_i^2 + E_{pot}(\mathbf{r}_i \in \text{system})
\]

A great deal of work has gone into optimization of the parameters preferred in these force fields over the last 2 decades. Despite all this effort, one aspect of the force fields just mentioned has persisted basically untouched, namely, neglect of the polarization interaction.

Unlike the Coulomb and Lennard-Jones interactions, which are two-body and can be simply attained, the polarization interaction has a many-body character and requires a computationally expensive iteration process for implementation. The computer power in the early 1980s was simply not enough for explicit involvement of
Inhibitors and CDK2 shows that the CDK2–tetramethyl ((1,4-phenylenebis (azanediyl)) bis ((4-chlorophenyl) methylene)) bis (phosphonate) complex has properties, which indicates that it has higher affinity for CDK2 than other. Further inhibition experiments can confirm this prediction (Figure 2).

In view of the hypothesis dependence of the co-operatively on the conformational states of enzyme, and because of the drastic effects water can sometimes have on protein the Cyclin-dependent kinase reaction in \( H_2O \) [18].

The phosphoric acid moiety is considered to bind to the affected protein more actively than the corresponding carboxylic acid because of its di anionic character.

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