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## Design, Efficient Synthesis and Antimicrobial Evaluation of Some Novel Pyrano[2, 3-b][1, 8]Naphthyridine and Pyrrolo [2,3-f][1,8] Naphth- yridine Derivatives

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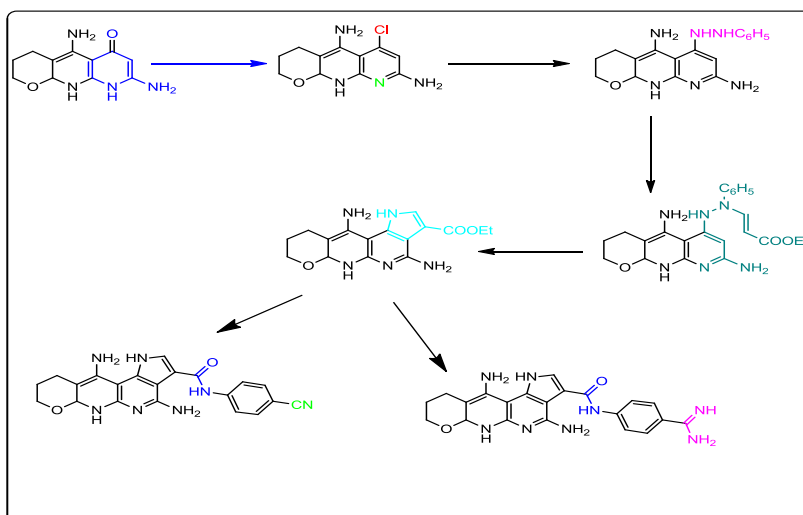
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### GRAPHICAL ABSTRACT

Reaction of Ethyl 5,7-diamino-3,4,8, 8a-tetrahydro-2H-pyrano[2, 3-b]pyridine-6-carboxylate (5) with acetonitrile and acetic acid afforded the corresponding 5,8-diamino-3,4,10,10a-tetrahydro-2H-pyrano[2,3-b][1,8]naphthyridin-6(9H)-one (6) which was reacted with phosphorus ox chloride to give crude 7. A solution of crude 7 was added to phenyl hydrazine to afford 6-(2-phenylhydrazinyl)-3,4,10,10a-tetrahydro-2H-pyrano[2,3-b][1,8]naphthyridine-5,8-diamine (8). Treatment of compound 8 with ethyl propiolate yielded compound 9 which was heated under reflux to produce the corresponding ethyl 4,11-diamino-1,6,6a,8,9,10-hexahydropyrano[2,3-b]pyrrolo[2,3-f][1,8]naphthyridine-3-carboxylate (10). Hydrolysis of the latter compound 10 with 10% sodium hydroxide afforded the acid derivative 11 which was reacted with 4-aminobenzamidinedihydrochloride (12), benzotriazol-1-yloxytris (pyrrolidino) phosphonium-hexafluorophosphate and N-ethyl-diisopropylamine to afford the target compound 13. The formation of 4,11-diamino-N-(4-cyanophenyl)-1,6,6a,8,9,10-hexa-hydropyrano[2,3-b]pyrrolo[2,3-f][1,8]naphthyridine-3-carboxamide 15 was achieved by reaction of benzotriazol-1-yloxytris (pyrrolidino) phosphonium-hexafluorophosphate, 4-cyanoaniline (14) and N-ethyl-diisopropylamine with the key intermediate (11). The structure of all the new compounds was demonstrated by elemental analysis, Infrared (IR), Proton Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (<sup>1</sup>H-NMR) and Carbon-13 Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (<sup>13</sup>C-NMR) spectra and mass spectra. Antimicrobial activity of these compounds 5-8, 10, 11, 13 and 15 was evaluated against *Bacillus subtilis*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Escherichia coli*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* bacteria *Aspergillus flavus* and *Candida albicans*. 5,8-Diamino-3,4,10,10a-tetrahydro-2H-pyrano[2,3-b][1,8]naphthyridin-6(9H)-one (6) was found to be the most active against all the tested microorganisms. Furthermore, molecular modeling study had been performed on the target compound (6) to expect the mode of action of this candidate as a lead for designing other antimicrobial agents.

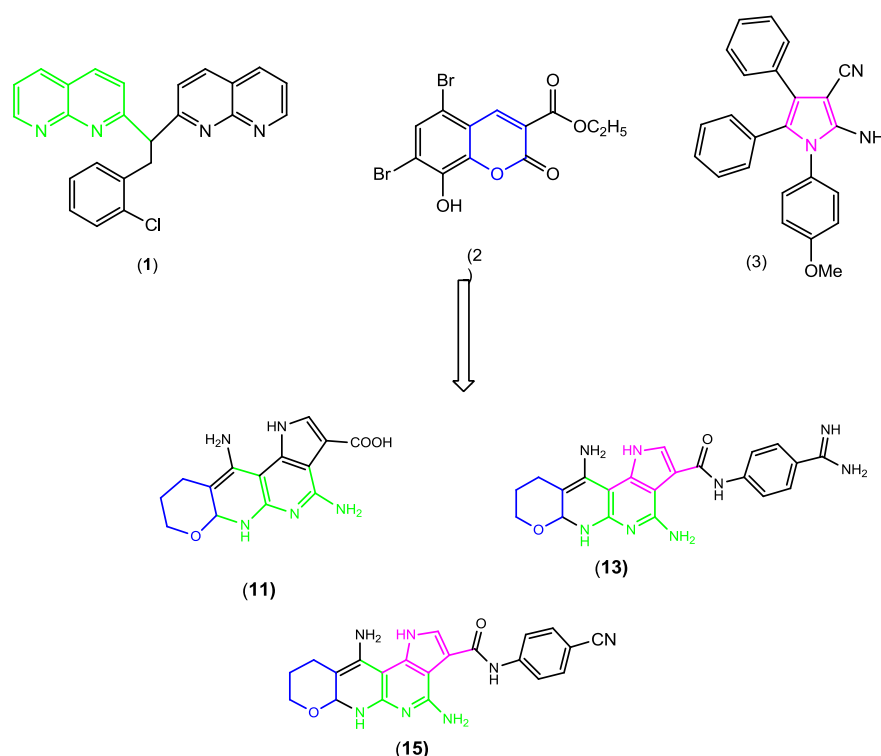


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## INTRODUCTION

The chemistry of naphthyridine derivatives had received much attention due to its diverse biological properties including antioxidants [1,2], anticancer [3,4], and anti-inflammatory activity [5,6], antitubercular [7], antiallergic [8] and antimicrobial agents [9-11]. For example, the naphthyridine derivative (1) (Figure 1) exhibited significant antimicrobial activity towards *Escherichia Coli* in comparison with the standard drug streptomycin at concentration=400 µg/disc[12]. In addition, pyrano heterocyclic revealed great importance due to their broad field of biological activities as enzyme substrates [13,14], and widely used as antimicrobial agent [15,16]. For example, Al-Saleem *et al.* [17] prepared 5,7-dibromo-3-ethoxycarbonyl-8-hydroxy-2-oxo-2H-1-benzopyrane (2) (Figure 1) exhibited comparable antifungal activities to that shown by fluconazole drug as reference standard. Finally, pyrrole moiety was known to show excellent antimicrobial activity [18,19], for example, the pyrrole derivative (3) was evaluated for antimicrobial activity, it showed two times more activity (MIC=256 µg/ml) than fluconazole (MIC=512 µg/ml) as antifungal [20].

Biologically active heterocyclic [21-26], we decided to hybridize these important scaffolds to get novel in the view of the aforementioned facts and in continuation of our work in the synthesis of compounds of expected antimicrobial activity (Figure 1). The present work has resulted in the formation of pyrano [2, 3-b] pyridine derivatives and pyrano pyrrole naphthyridine derivatives of expected antimicrobial activity.



**Figure 1:** Chemical structure of some reported antimicrobial naphthyridine derivative (1), pyrano derivatives (2), pyrrole derivative (3) and the newly designed compounds (11, 13, 15)

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

### Chemistry

Reagents were purchased from Sigma Aldrich (BayouniTrading Co. Ltd., Saudi Arabia) and used without further purification. Reaction progress was monitored by thin-layer chromatograph on silica gel pre-coated F254Merck plates (Darmstadt, Germany). Spots were visualized by ultraviolet irradiation. Melting points were determined on a Gallenkamp electro thermal meltingpoint apparatus (Weiss-Gallenkamp, Loughborough, UK) and are uncorrected. Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded as potassium bromide disks using Burker-Vector 22 Fourier transform infrared spectrophotometer (Billerica, MA). The NMR spectra were recorded with a Varian MercuryVXR-300 NMR spectrometer (Palo Alto, CA) at 300 and 75 MHz for Proton Nuclear Magnetic Resonance ( $^1\text{H-NMR}$ ) and Carbon-13 Nuclear Magnetic Resonance ( $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ ) spectra, respectively, using DMSO- $d_6$  as solvents. Mass spectra were recorded on a Hewlett Packard MS-5988 spectrometer (Palo Alto, CA) at 70 eV. Elemental analyses were carried out at the Micro-analytical Center of Cairo University, Giza, Egypt.

### Ethyl 5, 7-diamino-3, 4, 8, 8a-tetrahydro-2H-pyrano [2, 3-b] pyridine-6-carboxylate (5)

A mixture of 3,4-dihydro-2H-pyran 4 (0.84 g, 0.01 mol), urea (0.6 g, 0.01 mol), and ethylcyano acetate (1.13 g, 0.01 mol) in absolute ethanol (20 ml) containing few drops of piperidine as a catalyst was heated under reflux for 8 h. The precipitate formed was filtered off, purified and recrystallization from methanol to afford the corresponding compound 5 and recrystallization from ethanol to afford pale yellow crystals in 67% yield; M.P. 240-242°C; IR (KBr):  $\nu$  ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ), 3100-3400 (NH,  $\text{NH}_2$ ), 1740 (CO ester);  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  ( $\delta$ , DMSO- $d_6$ ): 1.28 (t, 3H,  $\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.98 (t, 2H,  $\text{CH}_2$ ), 2.5 (m, 4H,  $\text{CH}_2$ ), 3.57(s, 1H, NH), 4.47 (q, 2H,  $\text{CH}_2$ ), 4.49 (s, 1H, CH- $\text{NH}_2$ ), 4.41 (t, 2H,  $\text{CH}_2\text{O}$ ), 5.56 (s, 4H, 2 $\text{NH}_2$ );  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  (DMSO- $d_6$ ): 15.12 ( $\text{CH}_3$ ), 62.44 ( $\text{CH}_2\text{ester}$ ), 21.83 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 63.69 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 18.38 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ), 56.84 (C- $\text{NH}_2$ ), 156.77, 83.46, 167.3 (C=O), 104.73 (C-CO), 59.88 (CH- $\text{NH}_2$ ); MS (m/z, %): 239 (M+, 45). Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_5\text{O}_3$  (239.27): C, 55.22; H, 7.16; N, 17.56%. Found: C, 55.25; H, 7.18; N,

17.59%.

**5,8-Diamino-3,4,10,10a-tetrahydro-2H-pyrano[2,3-b][1,8]naphthyridin-6(9H)-one (6)**

A mixture of compound 5 (2.39 g, 0.01 mol) and acetonitrile (15 ml) in presence of acetic acid (10 ml) was heated under reflux for 10 h. Then solvent was removed and the residue was extracted with ethyl ether followed by purification through recrystallization from ethanol to afford compound 6 as green yellow crystals in 60% yield; M.P. 270-272°C; IR (KBr):  $\nu$  (cm<sup>-1</sup>), 3100-3400 (NH<sub>2</sub>, NH), 1660 (CO Pyridine.); <sup>1</sup>H-NMR ( $\delta$ , DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): 1.56 (t, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.58 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.44 (t, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>O), 4.49 (s, 1H, CH=C), 4.67 (s, 1H, CH), 4.79 (s, 1H, NH), 5.58 (s, 4H, 2NH<sub>2</sub>), 12.66 (s, 1H, NH); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): 23.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 24.92 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 68.68 (CH<sub>2</sub>O), 87.71 (CHO), 115.83 (CH), 82.72-196.46 (CH=CH-NH<sub>2</sub>), 182.91 (C=O); (MS (m/z, %): 234 (M+, 40). Anal. Calcd for: C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (234.25): C, 56.40; H, 6.02; N, 23.92. Found: C, 56.42; H, 6.07; N, 23.96%.

**6-(2-Phenylhydrazinyl)-3,4,10,10a-tetrahydro-2H-pyrano[2,3-b][1,8]naphthyridine-5,8-diamine (8)**

A mixture of 6 (2.34 g, 0.01 mol) and phosphorus ox chloride (1.52 ml, 0.01 mol) was heated for a few minutes. After cooling, toluene was added to the reaction mixture followed by evaporation to give oily substance. The oily product was poured onto ice cold water and the medium became alkaline by the addition of aqueous 10% ammonium hydroxide. This alkaline mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate and the organic layer was washed with water, dried over magnesium sulfate, evaporated to give crude 7 (70%). A mixture of this crude 7 (2.52 g, 0.01 mol), phenyl hydrazine (1.08 g, 0.01 mol) in ethanol (30 ml) was heated under reflux for 18 h. The reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and the obtained product was purified by chromatography with 50% ethyl acetate/heptane, followed by recrystallization from methanol. Afford reddish crystals in 55% yield; M.P. 240-242°C; IR (KBr):  $\nu$  (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3100-3400 (NH<sub>2</sub>, NH); <sup>1</sup>H-NMR ( $\delta$ , DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): 1.54 (t, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.35 (t, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.64 (t, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>O), 4.43 (s, 2H, 2NH), 4.69 (s, 1H, CHO), 5.42 (s, 1H, NH), 5.69 (s, 1H, CH), 7.08-8.09 (m, 9H, Aromatic proton, 2NH<sub>2</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): 22.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 24.84 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 68.49 (CH<sub>2</sub>O), 94.42 (CHO), 117.42 (CH), 84.58-139.44 (CH-NH<sub>2</sub>), 157.34 (CHNH), 148.95, 113.23, 129.22, 122.81 (Aromatic); (MS (m/z, %): 324 (M+, 30). Anal. Calcd for: C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O (324.38): C, 62.95; H, 6.21; N, 25.91%. Found C, 62.97; H, 6.25; N, 25.94%.

**Ethyl 4,11-diamino -1,6,6a,8,9,10-hexahydroprano[2,3-b]pyrrolo[2,3-f][1,8] naphthyridine -3-carboxylate (10)**

A mixture of compound 8 (3.24 g, 0.01 mol) and ethyl propiolate (0.98 g, 0.01 mol) in methanol (10 ml) was heated by reflux for 18 h. The solvent was removed and the product was purified by chromatography on silica gel using 50% ethyl acetate/cyclohexane to produce 9 (50%). A mixture of the latter 9 (3.53 g, 0.01 mol) and dimethylformamide (25 ml) was refluxed for 24 h. After cooling, the reaction was poured on ice cold water and then extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was dried over magnesium sulfate, evaporated, and the residue purified by chromatography with 5% methanol/methylene chloride to give 10 as yellow crystals in 75% yield; M.P. 180-182°C; IR (KBr):  $\nu$  (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 3100-3400 (NH<sub>2</sub>, NH), 1739 (C=O); <sup>1</sup>H-NMR ( $\delta$ , DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): 1.41 (t, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.01 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.05 (t, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.44 (t, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>O), 4.44 (s, 1H, NH), 4.48 (q, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.71 (s, 1H, CHO), 5.41 (s, 1H, NH-pyrrole), 7.57 (s, 1H, CH-pyrrole), 8.62 (s, 4H, 2NH<sub>2</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): 14.33 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 22.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 24.82 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 68.48 (CH<sub>2</sub>O), 94.41 (CHO), 108.69 (CH), 117.41 (CH), 84.58-156.33 (C-NH<sub>2</sub>), 157.32 (CHNH), 106.82-159.42 (C=CH), 148.93, 113.24, 129.26, 122.84 (Aromatic); (MS (m/z, %): 329 (M+, 20). Anal. Calcd for: C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (329.35): C, 58.35; H, 5.81; N, 21.26%. Found: C, 58.37; H, 5.84; N, 21.27%.

**4,11-Diamino-1,6,6a,8,9,10-hexahydroprano[2,3-b]pyrrolo[2,3-f][1,8]naphthyridine-3-carboxylic acid (11)**

A mixture of 10 (3.29 g, 0.01 mol) and 10% sodium hydroxide in methanol (10 ml) with was stirred for 18 h at room temperature. After evaporating the solvent, the resulting residue was extracted with methylene chloride and washed with water. The aqueous layer was removed, acidified with 1 M Hydrochloric acid and extracted with methylene chloride. After evaporation, the resulting residue was purified through recrystallization from water to give 11 as Pale green crystals in 55% yield; M.P. 200-202°C; IR (KBr):  $\nu$  (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1720 (C=O), 3106-3402 (NH<sub>2</sub>, NH), 3450 (OH); <sup>1</sup>H-NMR ( $\delta$ , DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): 2.01 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.05 (t, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.44 (t, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>O), 4.44 (s, 1H, NH), 4.71 (s, 1H, CHO), 5.41 (s, 1H, NH-pyrrole), 7.57 (s, 1H, CH-pyrrole), 8.62 (s, 4H, 2NH<sub>2</sub>), 11.47 (brs, 1H, OH); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): 61.47 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 24.89 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 68.48 (CH<sub>2</sub>O), 94.46 (CHO), 108.64 (CH), 117.48 (CH), 84.54-156.35 (C-NH<sub>2</sub>), 157.39 (CHNH), 106.82-159.42 (C=CH), 148.93, 113.24, 129.26, 122.85 (Aromatic); (MS (m/z, %): 301 (M+, 16). Anal. Calcd for: C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (301.30): C, 55.81; H, 5.02; N, 23.24%. Found: C, 55.84; H, 5.05; N, 23.26%.

**4,11-Diamino-N-(4-carbamimidoylphenyl)-1,6,6a,8,9,10-hexahydroprano[2,3-b]pyrrolo[2,3-f][1,8]naphthyridine-3-carboxamide (13)**

A solution of 4,11-diamino-1,6,6a,8,9,10-hexahydroprano[2,3-b]pyrrolo[2,3-f][1,8] naphthyridine -3-carboxylic acid (11) (3.01 g, 0.01 mol), 4-aminobenzamide dihydrochloride (12) (2.08 g, 0.01 mol), benzotriazol-1-yloxytris(pyrrolidino), phosphoniumhexa fluorophosphate (5.20 g, 0.01 mol) and N-ethyl-diisopropylamine (1.29 g, 0.01 mol) in dimethylformamide (10 ml) was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The mixture was poured on ice cold water followed by an extraction with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was removed and then treated with 1 M HCl acid. Separation and neutralization of the aqueous layer with sodium bicarbonate, followed by extraction with ethyl acetate gave a solution of 13 which was evaporated in vacuum afforded yellow crystals in 45% yield; M.P.: 225-227°C; IR (KBr):  $\nu$  (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1727 (C=O), 3150-3410 (NH<sub>2</sub>, NH); <sup>1</sup>H-NMR ( $\delta$ , DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): 2.32 (t, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.62 (t, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.45 (t, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>O), 4.75 (s, 1H, CHO), 5.29 (s, 1H, NH), 5.53 (s, 1H, NH-pyrrole), 7.45 (s, 1H, CH-pyrrole), 7.01-8.02 (m, 4H, Aromatic protons), 8.45 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 9.26 (s, 4H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 9.43 (s, 2H, 2NH); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): 61.43 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.12 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 24.85 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 68.44 (CH<sub>2</sub>O), 94.45 (CHO), 108.47 (CH), 117.47 (CH), 84.58-156.33 (C-NH<sub>2</sub>), 157.12 (CHNH), 106.87-159.32 (C=CH), 148.83, 113.24, 129.26, 122.84 (Aromatic); (MS (m/z, %): 418 (M+, 30). Anal. Calcd for: C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>8</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (418.45): C, 60.28; H, 5.30; N, 26.78%. Found 60.30; H, 5.34; N, 26.82%.

**4,11-Diamino-N-(4-cyanophenyl)-1,6,6a,8,9,10-hexahydroprano[2,3-b]pyrrolo[2,3-f][1,8]naphthyridine-3-carboxamide (15)**

A mixture of 4-cyanoaniline (14) (1.18 g, 0.01 mol), benzotriazol-1-yloxytris (pyrrolidino)phosphonium-hexafluorophosphate (5.20 g, 0.01 mole) and N-ethyl-diisopropylamine (1.29 g, 0.01 mole) was added to compound 11 (3.01 g, 0.01 mole) in dimethylformamide (10 ml). The reaction was stirred for 24 h at room temperature. After which it was diluted with 20 ml of water and extracted with methylenechloride. The organic layer was dried over magnesium sulfate, evaporated and the resulting residue purified by chromatography (20% methanol/methylene chloride) to give 15. Recrystallization from ethanol to afforded yellow crystals in 45% yield; M.P. 225-227°C; IR (KBr):  $\nu$  (cm<sup>-1</sup>) 1726 (C=O), 2213 (CN), 3172-3442 (NH<sub>2</sub>, NH); <sup>1</sup>H-NMR ( $\delta$ , DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): 2.05 (m, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.53 (t, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.52 (t, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>O), 4.42 (s, 1H, CHO), 5.34 (s, 2H, 2NH), 5.46 (s, 1H, NH-pyrrole), 7.59 (s, 1H, CH-pyrrole), 7.01-8.02 (m, 4H, Aromatic protons), 8.72 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 9.35 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): 61.47 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 24.84 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 68.58 (CH<sub>2</sub>O), 94.44 (CHO), 108.79 (CH), 118.41 (CH), 84.58-156.36 (C-NH<sub>2</sub>), 117 (CN), 157.72 (CHNH), 106.83-159.72 (C=CH), 148.95, 113.74, 129.76, 123.84 (Aromatic); (MS (m/z, %): 401 (M+, 20). Anal. Calcd for: C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>7</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (401.42): C, 62.83; H, 4.77; N, 24.42%. Found 62.85; H, 4.80; N, 24.44%.

**Antimicrobial activity**

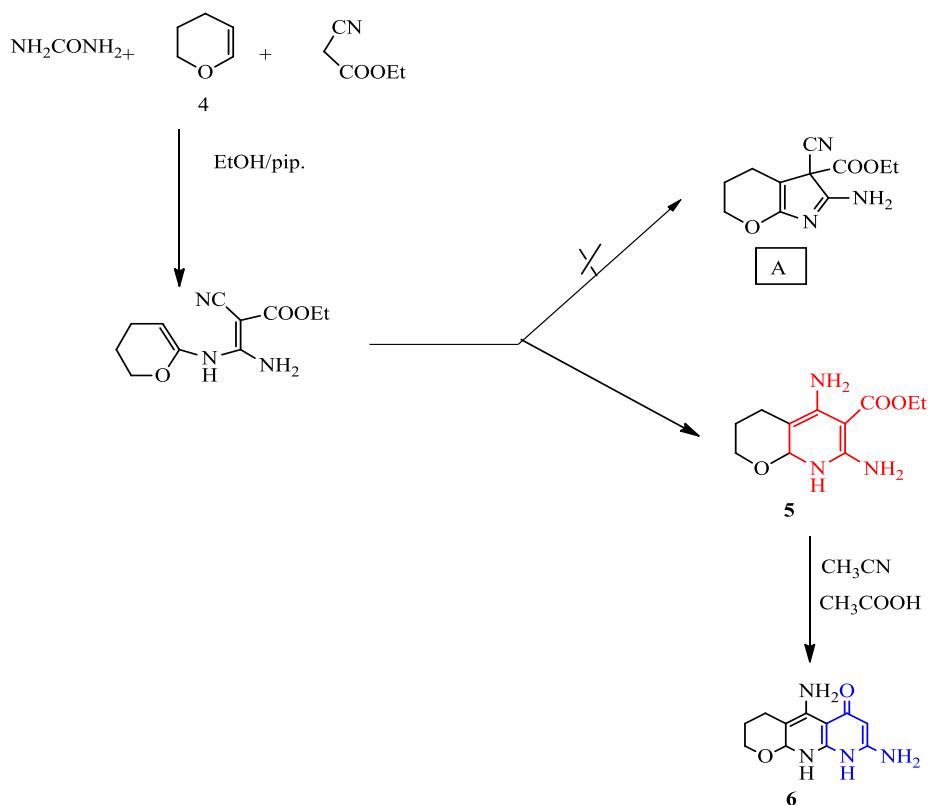
Antimicrobial activity of the tested samples was determined using a modified Kirby–Bauer disk diffusion method [28]. Briefly, 100  $\mu$ l of the test bacteria/fungi were grown in 10 ml of fresh media until they reached a count of approximately 10<sup>8</sup> cells/ml for bacteria or 10<sup>5</sup> cells/mL for fungi. One hundred microliter of a microbial suspension was spread onto agar plates corresponding to the broth in which they were maintained. Isolated colonies of each organism that might be playing a pathogenic role should be selected from primary agar plates and tested for susceptibility by disk diffusion method [29]. Many media are available, but NCCL recommends Mueller–Hinton agar due to its result in good batch-to-batch reproducibility. Disk diffusion method for filamentous fungi tested using approved standard method (M38-A) developed for evaluating the susceptibility of filamentous fungi to antifungal agents. Plates inoculated with filamentous fungi as *Aspergillus flavus* at 25°C for 48 h; gram (+) bacteria as *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus subtilis*; gram (–) bacteria as *Escherichia coli*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* they were incubated at 35–37°C for 24–48 h and yeast as *Candida albicans* incubated at 30°C for 24–48 h, and then the diameters of the inhibition zone were measured in millimeters. The standard disk of Amoxicillin (Antibacterial agent), Fluconazole (antifungal agent), served as positive control for antimicrobial activity but filter disks impregnated with 10  $\mu$ l of solvent (distilled water, chloroform, and DMSO) were used as negative control. The agar used is Mueller-Hinton agar that's strictly tested for composition and pH scale. Further, the depth of the agar within the plate could be an issue to be thought of within the disk diffusion technique. This technique is well documented, and normal zones of inhibition are determined for susceptible and resistant values. Blank paper disks (Schueicher and Schuel, Spain) with a diameter of 8 mm were impregnated 10  $\mu$ l of test concentration of the stock solutions. When a filter paper disk impregnated with a tested chemical is placed on agar, the chemical will diffuse from the disk into the agar. This diffusion will place the chemical in the agar only around the disk. The solubility of the chemical and its molecular size will determine the size of the area of chemical infiltration around the disk. If an organism is placed on the agar, it will not grow in the area around the disk if it is susceptible to the chemical. This space of no growth round the disk is understood as a “zone of inhibition” or “Clear zone. For the disk diffusion, the zone diameters were measured with slipping calipers of the National Committee for Clinical Laboratory Standards. Agar primarily based ways like E take a look at and disk diffusion are often smart alternatives as a result of they are simpler and faster than broth-based methods.

**Molecular docking study**

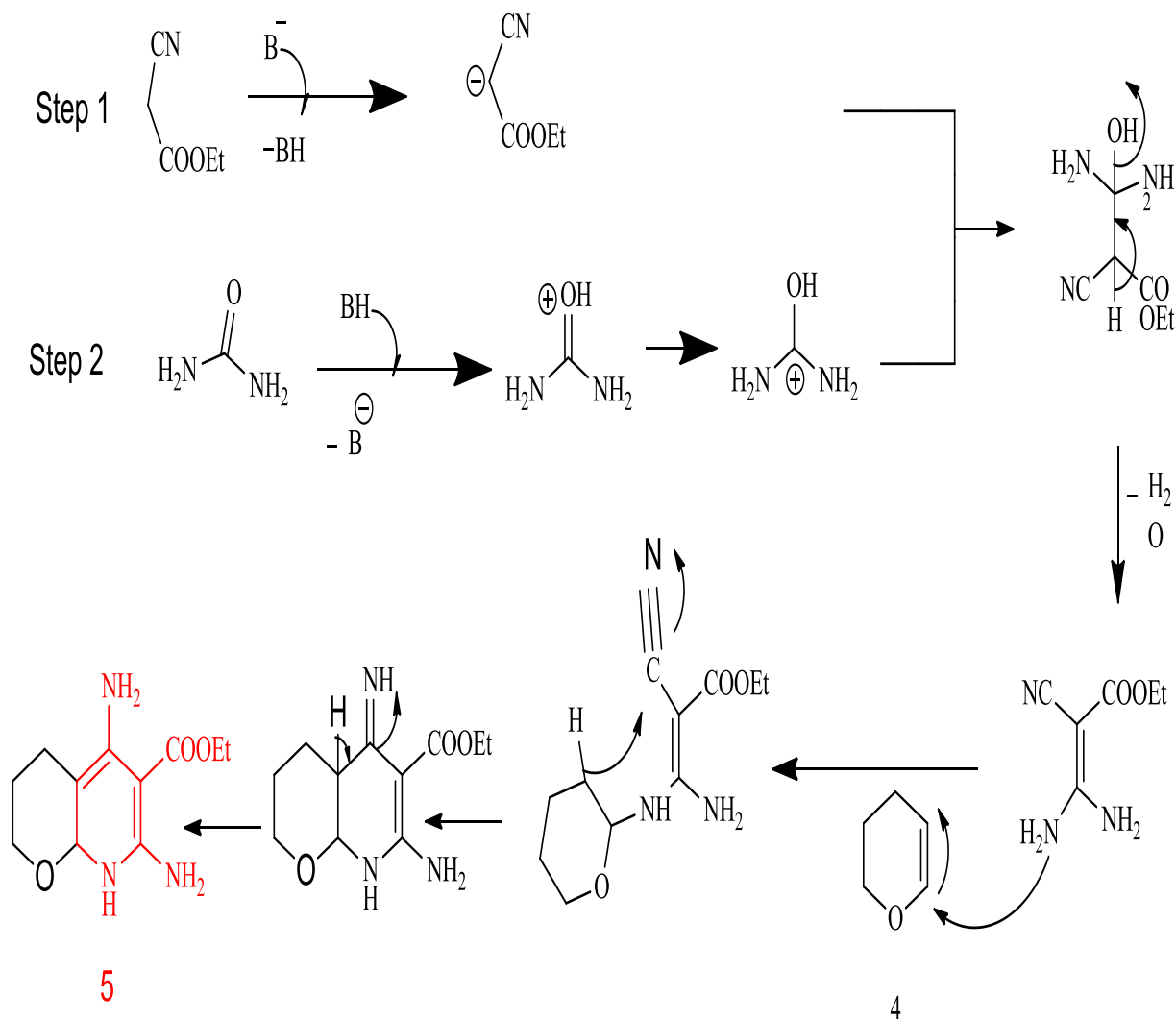
The crystal structures of glutamate bound at COX-2 isoform (Protein Data Bank; PDB: ID 1gdo). Docking was done using London dG force and sophistication of the results was performed using force field energy. Preparation of the synthesized compounds for docking was attained via their 3D structure built by Molecular Operating Environment (MOE, Version 2005.06, Chemical Computing Group Inc., QC, and Canada). Definite procedures were in use before docking which include: 3D protonation of the structures, running conformational analysis using systemic search, selecting the least energetic conformer and applying the same docking protocol used with ligands. Docking for the synthesized compounds was applied.

**RESULTS AND DISCUSSION****Chemistry**

Treatment of 3,4-dihydro-2H-pyran (4) with a mixture of urea and ethyl cyanoacetate in absolute ethanol containing a few drops of piperidine afforded the unexpected product, Ethyl 5,7-diamino-3,4,8, 8a-tetrahydro-2H-pyrano[2, 3-b]pyridine-6-carboxylate (5) (Scheme 1). The reaction mechanism for the formation of compound (5) had been explained in (Scheme 2).



**Scheme 1: Synthesis for the formation of the starting material (5) and the key intermediate (6)**



**Scheme 2: The proposed mechanism for the formation of the unexpected product (5)**

The structure of compound (5) was established by elemental analysis and IR, NMR ( $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$ ) and mass spectra. We found that mass spectrum confirmed the molecular formula of (5) as  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_3\text{O}_3$  (239.27). The IR spectrum revealed the presence of NH and  $\text{NH}_2$  at  $\nu = 3100\text{--}3400\text{ cm}^{-1}$  and carbonyl absorption bands at  $1740\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (CO ester).

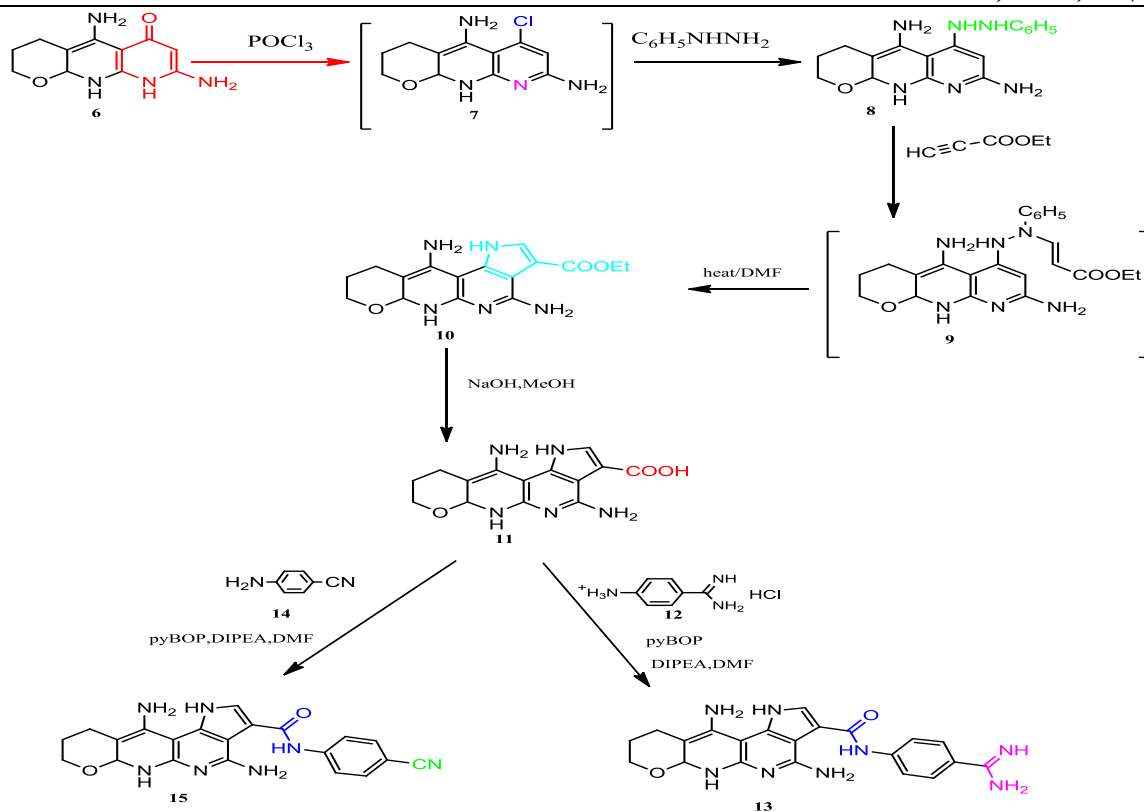
On the other hand, treating compound (5) with a mixture of acetonitrile and acetic acid afforded the corresponding 5,8-diamino-3,4,10,10a-tetrahydro-2H-pyrano[2,3-b][1,8]naphthyridin-6(9H)-one (6). The structure of (6) was elucidated by IR, NMR ( $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$ ) and mass spectra.

Heating compound (6) with phosphoryl trichloride [30] for a few minutes produced compound (7) which was refluxed with phenyl hydrazine in ethanol for 18 h. to give 6-(2-phenylhydrazinyl)-3,4,10,10a-tetrahydro-2H-pyrano[2,3-b][1,8]naphthyridine-5,8-diamine (8). The mass spectrum supported the structure of compound (8) as  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_6\text{O}$  (324.38). The IR spectra indicate the absence of carbonyl group at  $1660\text{ cm}^{-1}$  for (CO).

The synthesis of ethyl 4,11-diamino-1,6,6a,8,9,10-hexahydropyrano[2,3-b]pyrrolo[2,3-f][1,8]naphthyridine-3-carboxylate (10) was achieved via reaction of ethyl propiolate with compound (8) in methanol to give (9). Treating compound (9) with *N,N*-dimethylformamide produced compound (10). The mass spectrum of (10) displayed an ion peak at  $m/z$  329 ( $\text{M}^+$ , 20) corresponding to the expected molecular formula  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_5\text{O}_3$  (329.35). Also the structure of compound (10) were established by elemental analysis,  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR and  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectra. On the other hand a solution of (10) in methanol with 10 % sodium hydroxide to afford the corresponding (11) (Scheme 3). The structure of isolated compound (11) were established by elemental analyses, the IR spectra,  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR and  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectra and mass spectra.

The formation of 4,11-diamino-*N*-(4-carbamimidoylphenyl)-1,6,6a,8,9,10-hexahydropyrano[2,3-b]pyrrolo[2,3-f][1,8]naphthyridine-3-carboxamide (13) was achieved via reaction of (11), 4-aminobenzamidine hydrochloride, benzotriazol-1-yloxytris(pyrrolidino)phosphoniumhexafluorophosphate and *N*-ethyl-diisopropylamine in dimethylformamide was stirred at room temperature for 24 hr. to afford the corresponding (13). The structure of (13) was established by elemental analyses, the IR spectra,  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR and  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectra, and mass spectra.

On the other hand formation of 4,11-diamino-*N*-(4-cyanophenyl)-1,6,6a,8,9,10-hexahydropyrano[2,3-b]pyrrolo[2,3-f][1,8]naphthyridine-3-carboxamide (15) (Scheme 3) via treatment of benzotriazol-1-yloxytris (pyrrolidino)phosphonium-hexafluorophosphate, 4-cyanoaniline and *N*-ethyl-diisopropylamine were added to (11) in dimethylformamide to give (15). The structure of (15) was confirmed by elemental analyses, the IR,  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR and  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectra, mass spectra.



Scheme 3: Synthesis of the target compounds 13 and 15

### Antimicrobial study

After successful synthesis and elucidation of the chemical structures of the start material and new compounds, we assessed their antibacterial activities against four species of bacteria, including gram-positive, *B. subtilis*, *S. aureus* and gram-negative, *E. coli*, *P. aeruginosa* bacteria using Amoxicillin as a reference standard antibacterial agent. The antifungal activities of the new compounds were also evaluated against *A. flavus* and *C. albicans* using the standard Fluconazole antifungal agent. The results of the antimicrobial screening were summarized in Table 1. From the obtained data, it was observed that compound 6 showed potent antibacterial activities against both gram-positive and gram-negative bacteria and its activity was found to be considerably higher than the remaining tested compounds. It also showed higher antifungal activities against both *A. flavus* and *C. albicans* relevant to the antifungal agent Fluconazole. On the other hand, compounds 5, 8, 11, 13 and 15 exhibited moderate antibacterial activities, while the antibacterial activities of 5 and 10 was found to be the lowest among all the tested compound.

Table 1: Antimicrobial activity of the novel synthesized compounds 5-8, 10, 11, 13 and 15 (zone of inhibition in mm)

Sample	Inhibition zone diameter (mm/mg sample)					
	Bacterial species					
	Gram-positive		Gram-negative		Fungi	
	<i>Bacillus subtilis</i>	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	<i>Aspergillusflavus</i>	<i>Candida albicans</i>
Control (DMSO)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amoxicillin	23	20	26	28	–	–
Fluconazole	–	–	–	–	17	20
5	8	9	10	11	6	13
6	20	14	23	24	19	21
7	14	13	15	17	11	13
8	12	10	8	6	7	11
10	11	12	13	15	10	14
11	15	17	20	16	12	16
13	13	15	16	18	12	17
15	19	16	18	21	7	15

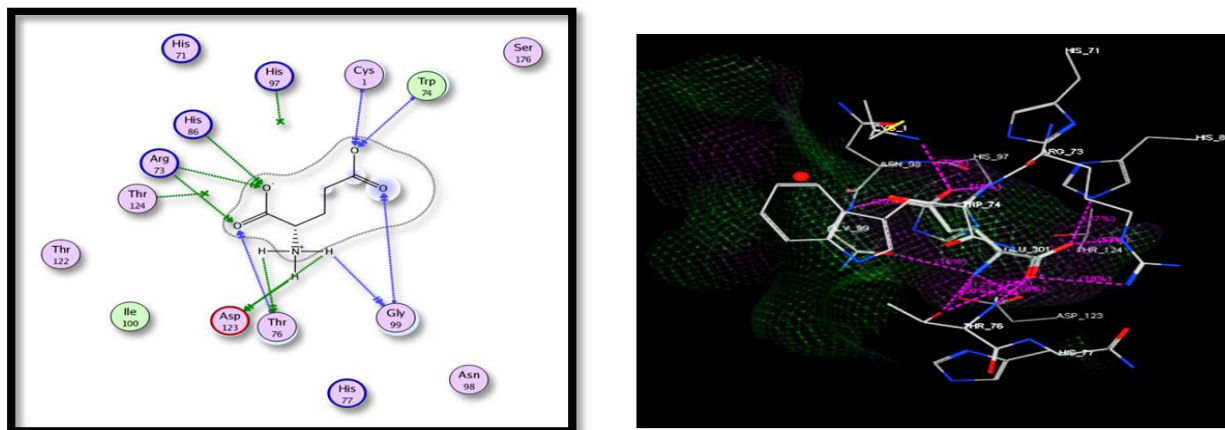
### Molecular docking study

Glucosamine-6-phosphate synthase (GlcN-6-P) is one of most important enzyme for the formation of cell wall and is responsible for transferring



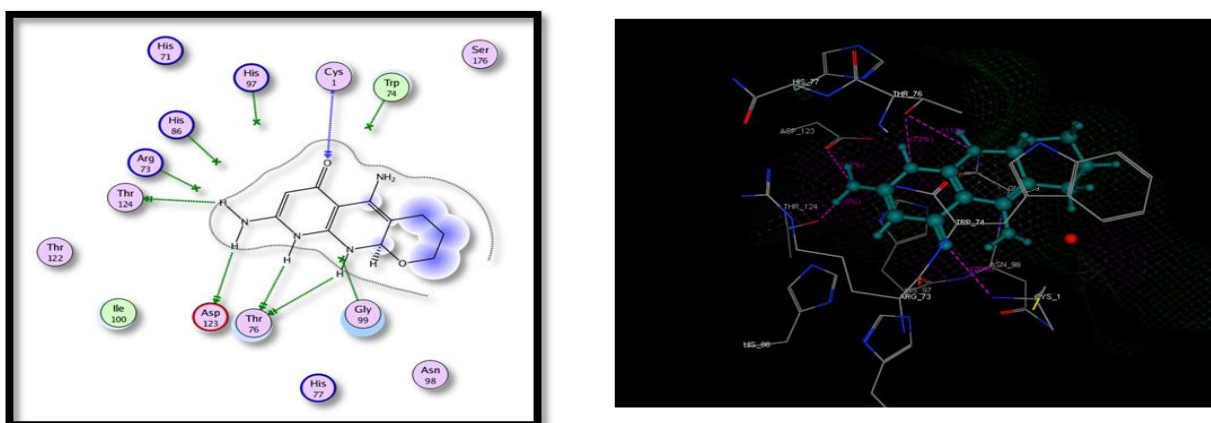
ammonia from L-glutamine to Fru-6-P, followed by isomerization of the formed fructosamine-6-phosphate to glucosamine-6-phosphate. This reaction is the first step for UDP-GlcNAc formation, which is required for the formation of chitin and mannoproteins in fungi and peptidoglycan in bacteria [27].

Naphthyridine derivatives constitute an important scaffold for antimicrobial drugs [9], but its mechanistic actions are not sufficiently recorded. In this study, molecular modeling study was performed to demonstrate mechanism of action of the most active antimicrobial candidate (6). MOE.2010 software was the used program to perform this study. The X-ray crystal structure of GlcN-6-P was downloaded from the protein data bank with code (PDB: ID 1gdo). Glutamate was redocked into GlcN-6-P with a root mean standard deviation (RMSD) = 1.2557, Glutamate recorded score energy (S) = -15.11 kcal/mol and hydrogen bonding with Gly99, Trp74, Cys1, His86, Arg73, Thr76, Asp123 (Figure 2).



**Figure 2: Interaction of glutamate inside Glucosamine-6-phosphate synthase binding site. (A) 2D interactions of glutamate within Glucosamine-6-phosphate synthase, the dotted lines represent H-bonding interactions. B) 3D interactions of glutamate with Glucosamine-6-phosphate synthase**

The docked compound 6 exhibited good docking score better docking score (= -17.55 kcal/mol) than the ligand itself and also showed five hydrogen bonding with the receptor amino acids as following: i) Cys1 with C=O, ii) Asp123 with NH<sub>2</sub>, iii) Thr124 with NH<sub>2</sub>, iv) Thr76 with NH and v) Thr76 with NH (Figure 3 and Table 2).



**Figure 3: Interaction of the candidate 6 with Glucosamine-6-phosphate synthase binding site. (A) 2D interactions of compound 8 within Glucosamine-6-phosphate synthase, B) 3D interactions of the target 8 with Glucosamine-6-phosphate synthase**

**Table 2: Molecular modeling data for glutamate and the most active candidate 6 during docking in the active site of GlcN-6-P enzyme (PDB: ID 1gdo)**

Compound no.	Affinity Kcal/mol	No. of Hydrogen bonds	Distance (Å) from main Residue		Functional group
			Residue	Distance (Å)	
6	-17.55	5	Cys1	2.15	C=O
			Asp123	2.45	NH <sub>2</sub>
			Thr124	2.92	NH <sub>2</sub>
			Thr76	3.21	NH
			Thr76	2.01	NH
Gutamate	-15.11	10	Gly99	2.02	C=O
			Trp74	2.06	CO-
			Cys1	2.54	CO-
			His86	1.77	CO-
			Arg73	2.7	CO-
			Arg73	3.05	C=O
			Thr76	2.7	C=O
			Asp123	3.05	NH
			Thr76	2.7	NH
			Gly99	3.07	NH

**Application**

The synthesized new compounds have biological application.

**CONCLUSION**

In this article application methodology to promote the synthesis of naphthyridine derivatives by the reaction of 4,11-diamino-1,6,6a,8,9,10-hexahydropyrano[2,3-*b*]pyrrolo[2,3-*f*][1,8]naphthyridine-3-carboxylic acid 11 with-aminobenz-amidine-dihydrochloride, benzotriazol-1-yloxytris (pyrrolidino) phos -phonium hexafluorophosphate and *N*-ethyl-diisopropylamine afford 13 and or Benzotriazol-1-yloxytris (pyrrolidino)phosphonium hexafluorophosphate, 4-cyanoaniline and *N*-ethyl-diisopropylaminein 15 purified good and satisfied yield. The structures of synthesized compounds were established by IR, <sup>1</sup>H-NMR, <sup>13</sup>C-NMR and mass spectra. Antimicrobial activity of these compounds 5-8, 10, 11, 13 and 15 was evaluated against *B. subtilis*, *S. aureus*, *E. coli*, *P. aeruginosa* bacteria, *A. flavus* and *C. albicans*. The results revealed that the candidate (6) was found to be the most active against all the tested microorganisms.

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