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PHARMACEUTICAL SYNTHESIS OF PYRIMIDINE DERIVATIVES PROJECTING NEW PHARMACEUTICAL DRUG DESIGN, ALONG WITH ITS ANTIFUNGAL ACTIVITY INCLUDING TOXICITY STUDIES

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ABSTRACT

Nitrogen containing heterocyclic compounds have received considerable attention due to their wide range of pharmacological activity. Pyrimidine and their derivatives are considered to be important for medicinal drugs. As pyrimidine is a basic nucleus in DNA & RNA, it has been found to be associated with diverse biological activities. Numerous reports have appeared in the literature that highlights chemistry and uses of pyrimidines, and their derivatives like Sulfadiazine, Sulfamerazine, and Sulfamethazine. A series of Pyrimidine derivatives were synthesized to evaluate their antimicrobial activity, their structure were characterized by UV, NMR, IR and Mass spectrometer. Among the tested Pyrimidine derivatives **P-1** shows good activity against *Penicillium chrysogenum* and lesser toxicity.

KEYWORDS: Antifungal activity, antibacterial activity, analgesic activity, Pyrimidine.

INTRODUCTION

Pyrimidines are present among the three isomeric diazines. Several pyrimidines mainly cytosine (I), uracil (II) and thymine (III) have been isolated from the nucleic acid hydrolysis as shown in Fig 1.1. The nucleic acid are essential constituent of all cell and thus of all living matter cytosine is found to be present in both types of nucleic acids i.e. ribonucleic acid (RNA) and deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA).^[1]

In addition to this, Pyrimidines ring is also found in Vitamin B_1 , Barbituric acid (IV) and its several derivatives e.g. Veranal (V) which are used as Hypnotics (fig.1.2). [2]

Fig.1.2

Numerous reports have appeared in the literature, that highlight chemistry and uses of pyrimidines, and their derivatives like Sulfadiazines, Sulfamerazines, and Sulfamethazines.^[3] These agents are inhibitors of folic acid biosynthesis in microorganism. Pyridine is a compound. ubiquitous chemical The monocyclic azine is utilized as a reagent or as a polar aprotic solvent. It is salient in a number of biological systems and industrial applications. Naturally occurring pyridines include the nicotinamides, a component of the vitamin B group. Pyridines are precursors to various pharmaceuticals, adhesives, agrichemicals, and synthetic pigments. [4] A pyrimidine has many properties in common with pyridine, as the number of nitrogen atoms in the ring increases, the ring pi electrons become less energetic and electrophilic aromatic substitution gets more difficult while nucleophilic aromatic substitution gets easier.[5]

2. METHODOLOGY

2.1. Material and Methods

The purified pyrimidine derivatives were obtained, and its yields was around 45-95%. The synthetic route is illustrated in scheme 1 (fig.3.1.) Thin layer chromatography was used to reach completion of reaction and purity of compounds synthesized, using silica gel as stationary phase and Toulene:ethylacetate:formic acid as solvent system (4:2:1) and visualized by U.V. visualizing cabinet.

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All solvents used were of analytical grade. The chemicals used were obtained from sigma –Aldrich (St. Louis Mossuri, USA). The structures of compounds were identified using infrared spectroscopy, Mass spectroscopy and proton nuclear magnetic resonance studies. IR Spectra were recorded by KBR pellet

technique using FTIR-84005 Shimadzu spectrophotometer. 1HNMR Spectra were obtained on Bruker model DRX (300MHzNMR) Spectrometer in DMSO-d6/CDCl₃ as solvent and using tetramethylsilane as internal standard. Mass were recorded on API 2000 triple quadrapole mass spectrophotometer.

2.1.1. Synthetic reaction

3.2.1.Synthesis of Intermediate Subtstitute derivatives Aldolic condensation (clasien-schmidt condensation reaction) of equimolar quantities of substituted acetophenone with appropriate quantities of substituted aromatic aldehyde in presence of aqueous alcoholic alkali was used for the formation of α , β – unsaturated ketones (i.e. chalcones). Equimolar portions of the substituted acetophenone (10mmol, 1 equiv) and substituted benzaldehyde (10mmol, 1 equiv) were

dissolved in 15ml of ethanol. The mixture was allowed to stir for several minutes at 5-10 °C. Aliquot of a 40% aqueous NaOH solution was then slowly added to the reaction flask. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir in ice bath for approximately 4-6 hrs. All the crude products were washed first with cold water until washings were neutral to pH paper and precipitate formed was then collected and recrystallized from ethanol to give chalcone derivatives.

3.2.1.1. Synthesis of (*E*)-1-(2,4-dichloro)-3-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)|prop-2-en-1-one (IS1)

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{CI} & \text{H}_3\text{CO} \\ \text{CI} & \text{CH}_3 + \text{H}_3\text{CO} \\ \text{CI} & \text{H}_3\text{CO} \\ \text{CI} & \text{H}_3\text{CO} \\ \text{1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)ethanone} \end{array}$$

Fig.3.2.1

3.2.1.2. Synthesis of (E)-1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-1-(2-methoxyphenyl)lprop-2-en-1-one(IS2):

Fig.3.2.2

3.2.1.3. Synthesis of (E)-1-(2,5-dimethoxyphenyl)-3-(2-nitrophenyl)prop-2-en-1-one (IS3):

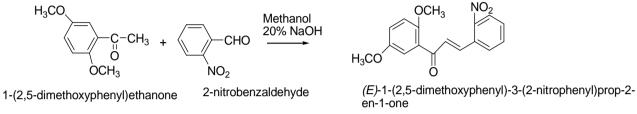


Fig.3.2.3

3.2.1.4. Synthesis of (E)-3-(2-nitrophenyl)-1-phenylprop-2-en-1-one (IS4):

2-nitrobenzaldehyde

Fig.3.2.4

3.2.1.5. Synthesis of (E)-1-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-en-1-one (IS5):

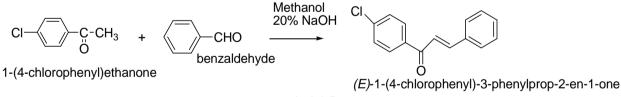


Fig.3.2.5

3.3.1.Synthesis of Intermediate Substituted Derivatives (Step 2):

From step 1, the chalcone 10 mmol was obtained, guanidine nitrate was added and for two hours the reflux was given. The newly formed precipitate was washed

with cold water till it comes back to the neutral pH point. The process of filtration and recrystallization was applied from ethyl alcohol to produce various derivatives. (S1-S5).

3.3.1.1. Synthesis of 4-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-6-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)pyrimdine-2-amine (S1):

CI
$$OCH_3$$
 OCH_3 O

(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)prop-2-en-1-one

4-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-6-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl) pyrimidin-2-amine

Fig.3.3.1

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3.3.1.2. Synthesis of 4-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-6-(2-methoxyphenyl)pyrimdine-2-amine (S2):

Fig.3.3.2

3.3.1.3. Synthesis of 4-(2,5-dimethoxyphenyl)-6-(2,nitrophenyl) pyrimdine-2-amine (S3):

Fig.3.3.3

3.3.1.4. Synthesis of 4-(2-nitrophenyl)-6-phenylpyrimdine-2-amine (S4):

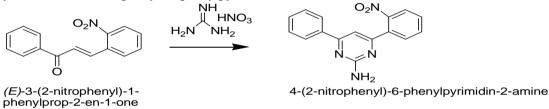
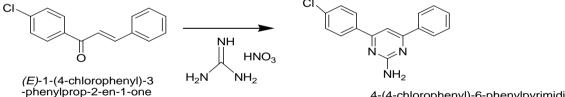


Fig.3.3.4

3.3.1.5.. Synthesis of 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-6-phenylpyrimdine-2-amine (S5):



4-(4-chlorophenyl)-6-phenylpyrimidin-2-amine

Fig.3.3.5

Step 3:

3.4.2. Synthesis of Pyrimidine Derivatives (Step 3): (P1-P5)

To the resultant mixture of derivatives (**S1-30**) (10mmol) added 2-3 ml of benzene solution, chloro acetyl

chloride and 3-4 drops of TEA and reflux for one to two hours, the white precipitate was obtained as a result which was filtered and later washed with the benzene. It was collected and purified by the process of recrystallization from acetone.

$\textbf{3.4.1.1. Synthesis of } (4\text{-}(2,4\text{-}dichlorophenyl}) - 6\text{-}(3,4,5\text{-}trimethoxyphenyl}) pyrimidin-2\text{-}yl) acetamide (P1):$

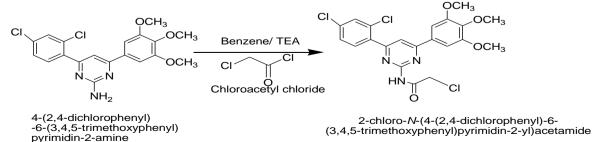


Fig.3.4.1

3.4.1.2. Synthesis of (4-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-6-(2-methoxyphenyl)pyrimidin-2-yl)carbamic chloride(P2):

Fig.3.4.2

3.4.1.3. Synthesis of 2-chloro-N-(4-(5-methoxy-2-methylphenyl)-6-(2-nitrophenyl)pyrimidin-2-yl)acetamide (P3):

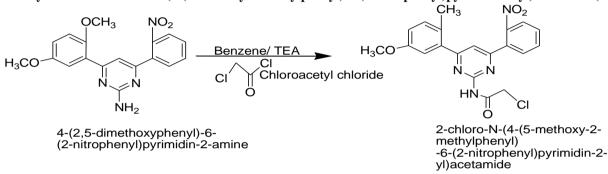


Fig.3.4.3

3.4.1.4. Synthesis of (4-(2-nitrophenyl)-6-phenylpyrimidin-2-yl)carbamic chloride (P4):

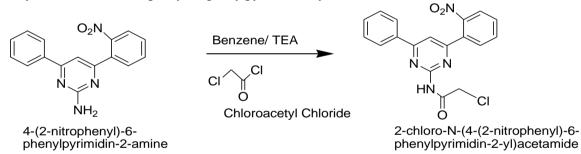


Fig.3.4.4

3.4.1.10. Synthesis of 2-chloro-N-(4-(4-chlorophenyl)-6-phenylpyrimidine-2-yl)acetamide (P5):

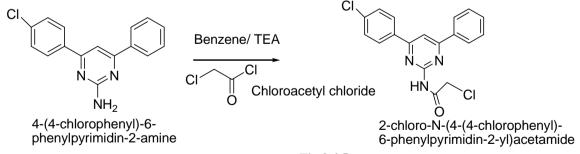


Fig.3.4.5

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4.1. Spectral characterization:

2-chloro-*N*-(4-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-6-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)pyrimidin-2-yl)acetamide (P6):

CI OCH₃
OCH₃
OCH₃
OCH₃

2-chloro-*N*-(4-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-6-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)pyrimidin-2-yl)acetamide

IR (**KBr**, **cm**⁻¹): 3665 (NH str), 3052 (C-H str), 1608 (Ar C=C),1683 (C=O str), 1578 (C=C Ar str), 1544 (C=N str), 1188 (-OCH₃str),767 cm-1 (C-Cl str.).

¹H NMR: (CDCl₃, δ, ppm): 7.9 (s, 1H, CH of pyrimidine), 8.2 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 8.0 (s, 1H, NH), 2.5 (d, 2H, CH₂), 3.32 (s,9H, OCH₃)

MS (**m/z**): $(M^+=482)$, 430, 366.

 $\begin{array}{l} \hbox{2-chloro-} \textit{N-}(4\text{-}(2,\!4\text{-dichlorophenyl})\text{-}6\text{-}(2\text{-}\\methoxyphenyl)pyrimidin-}2\text{-}yl) acetamide \\ (P7): \end{array}$

OCH₃ C N N N HN CI

2-chloro-*N*-(4-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-6-(2-methoxyphenyl)pyrimidin-2-yl)acetamide

IR (**KBr**, **cm**⁻¹): 3660 (NH str), 3052(C-H str), 1598 (C=N str), 1108 (-OCH₃ str), 767(C-Cl str.), 1608 (C=C).

¹H NMR:(CDCl₃, δ, ppm): 7.3 (s, 1H, CH of pyrimidine), 7.5 (m, 7H, Ar-H), 7.8 (s, 1H, NH), 3.34 (s, 3H,-OCH₃), 2.5 (d, 2H, CH₂).

MS (**m/z**): $(M^+=421)$, 400, 380.

2-chloro-*N*-(4-(2,5-dimethoxyphenyl)-6-(2-nitrophenyl)pyimidin-2-yl)acetmide (P8):

H₃CO OCH₃ NO₂ NO₂ NO₂ NO₂ NO₂ NO₃ NO₂ NO₃ NO₄ NO₅ NO₅

2-chloro-*N*-(4-(2,5-dimethoxyphenyl)-6-(2-nitrophenyl)pyrimidin-2-yl)acetamide

IR (**KBr**, **cm**⁻¹): 3608 (NH str), 3452 (C-H str), 1647 (C=O of α , β unsaturated ketone), 1628.00 (C=N str), 1608 (Ar C=C), 1234 (-OCH₃), 767 (C-Cl str.), 682 (*o*- nitro Ar substitution)

¹**H NMR**: (**CDCl₃**, δ, **ppm**): 7.6 (s, 1H, CH of pyrimidine), 7.9-8.4 (m, 7H, Ar-H), 8.5 (s, 1H, NH), 3.34 (s, 6H, OCH₃), 2.5 (d, 2H, CH₂).

MS (**m/z**): $(M^+=428)$, 400, 396.

2-chloro-*N*-(4-(2-nitrophenyl)-6-phenylpyrimidin-2-yl)acetamide(P9):

O₂N N N HN CI O

2-chloro-*N*-(4-(2-nitrophenyl)-6-phenylpyrimidin-2-yl)acetamide

IR (**KBr**, **cm**⁻¹): 3770 (NH str), 3452 (C-H str), 1698 (C=N str), 1600 (Ar C=C) and 1706(C=O str), 767 (C-Cl str.), 700 *o*- nitro Ar substitution).

¹H NMR: (CDCl₃, δ , ppm): 7.4 (m, 1H, CH of pyrimidine), 8.1 (m, 4H, Ar-H), 2.5 (d, 2H, CH₂) MS (m/z):(M⁺= 368), 312, 316.

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2-chloro-*N*-(4-(4-chlorophenyl)-6-phenylpyrimidin-2-yl)acetamide (P10):

N N N HN CI

2-chloro-*N*-(4-(4-chlorophenyl)-6-phenylpyrimidin-2-yl)acetamide

IR (**KBr**, **cm**⁻¹): 1553 (C=C str), 1565 (C=N), 3355 (-NH, 2° amine), 3208 (C-H, aromatic), 1553 (C=O), 767 (C-Cl str.).

¹H NMR: (CDCl₃, δ, ppm): 7.5 (m, 1H, CH of pyrimidine), 8.0 (m, 4H, Ar-H), 8.3 (s, 1H, NH), 3.3 (d, 2H, CH₂).

MS (m/z): $(M^+=358)$, 302, 313.

4.2.Antifungal activity

Table .4.3.2.Antifungal activity of some synthesized Pyrimidine derivative sagainst Penicillium chyrsogenum.

	PenicilliumchyrsogenumZone of inhibition & % inhibition								
		Concentration (µg/ml)							
S.NO	Compounds code	25 ZI	25 % I	50 ZI	50 %I	100 ZI	100 % I	200 ZI	200 % I
1	Std (Ketoconazole)	11	12.22	12	13.33	13	14.44	15	16.67
2	P-1	13	14.44	12	13.33	11	12.22	14	15.56
3	P-2	11	12.22	12	13.33	12	12.22	13	13.33
4	P-3	10	11	11	12.22	11	12.22	12	12.22
5	P-4	9	10	13	14.44	15	16.67	15	14.56
6	P-5	9	10	9	10	11	12.22	9	10

5.1. Toxicity screening of newly designed molecules (P1 to P5)

Toxicity screening was performed for: Drug Induced Toxicity, Genomic Toxicity, Aquatic & Terrestrial Toxicity, Reproductive Toxicity, Environmental Factor. These toxicity values were adapted from literature support. Cheng F *et al* 2012 (PubMed ID: 23092397).

The new design molecules also tested for their possible toxicity against following parameters:

- Human Ether-a-go-go-Related Gene Inhibition:
 The Human Ether-a-go-go-related Gene (hERG)
 Potassium Channel represents an Unusual Target for
 Protease-mediated Damage. This is responsible for
 cardiac arrhythmias and sudden death (PubMed ID:
 16787254).
- **AMES toxicity:** The Ames test (Salmonella typhimurium reverse mutation assay) is a bacterial short-term test for identification of carcinogens using mutagenicity in bacteria as an endpoint (J.G. Hengstler, F. Oesch, in Encyclopedia of Genetics, 2001).
- Carcinogenesis: Test for causing cancer due to the molecule
- Fish toxicity
- Tetrahymena toxicity
- Honey Bee toxicity
- Biodegradation
- Acute oral toxicity

Rat acute toxicity

The complete table about toxicity screening of (P1-P5) is available as following. The Pyrimidine derivaritive scan be further estimated for their utility for further study.

5.1.12-chloro-*N*-(4-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-6-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)pyrimidin-2-yl)acetamide (P1):

2-chloro-N-(4-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-6-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)pyrimidin-2-yl)acetamide

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P6: Toxicity (Qualitative Prediction & Probability)				
Human Ether-a-go-go-Related Gene	Weak inhibitor	0.9716		
Inhibition	Non-inhibitor	0.8427		
AMES Toxicity	Non AMES toxic	0.7140		
Carcinogens	Non-carcinogens	0.8418		
Fish Toxicity	High FHMT	0.8786		
TetrahymenaPyriformis Toxicity	High TPT	0.9897		
Honey Bee Toxicity	Low HBT	0.8225		
Biodegradation	Not ready biodegradable	1.0000		
Acute Oral Toxicity	III	0.5998		
Carcinogenicity (Three-class)	Danger	0.4365		

Toxicity (Predicted Activity through model)				
Rat Acute Toxicity	2.2266	LD ₅₀ , mol/kg		
Fish Toxicity	1.0378	pLC ₅₀ , mg/L		
TetrahymenaPyriformis Toxicity	1.0469	pIGC ₅₀ , ug/L		

$5.1.2.2\text{-}chloro\text{-}N\text{-}(4\text{-}(2,4\text{-}dichlorophenyl)\text{-}6\text{-}(2\text{-}methoxyphenyl)pyrimidin-}2\text{-}yl) acetamide \ (P2):$

2-chloro-N-(4-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-6-(2-methoxyphenyl)pyrimidin-2-yl)acetamide

P7: Toxicity (Qualitative Prediction & Probability)				
Human Ether-a-go-go-Related Gene	Weak inhibitor	0.8941		
Inhibition	Non-inhibitor	0.7908		
AMES Toxicity	Non AMES toxic	0.6281		
Carcinogens	Non-carcinogens	0.9083		
Fish Toxicity	High FHMT	0.8058		
TetrahymenaPyriformis Toxicity	High TPT	0.9819		
Honey Bee Toxicity	Low HBT	0.8531		
Biodegradation	Not ready biodegradable	1.0000		
Acute Oral Toxicity	III	0.7393		
Carcinogenicity (Three-class)	Non-required	0.4500		
Toxicity (Predicted Activity through model)				
Rat Acute Toxicity	1.9796	LD ₅₀ , mol/kg		
Fish Toxicity	1.2976	pLC ₅₀ , mg/L		
TetrahymenaPyriformis Toxicity	0.8990	pIGC ₅₀ , ug/L		

$\textbf{5.1.3. 2-chloro-} N\text{-}(4\text{-}(2,5\text{-}dimethoxyphenyl})\text{-}6\text{-}(2\text{-}nitrophenyl}) pyimidin-2\text{-}yl) acetmide \ (P3):$

2-chloro-*N*-(4-(2,5-dimethoxyphenyl)-6-(2-nitrophenyl)pyrimidin-2-yl)acetamide

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P8: Toxicity (Qualitative Prediction & Probability)				
Human Ethan a go go Paletad Gana Inhibition	Weak inhibitor	0.8696		
Human Ether-a-go-go-Related Gene Inhibition	Non-inhibitor	0.7384		
AMES Toxicity	AMES toxic	0.6865		
Carcinogens	Non-carcinogens	0.6656		
Fish Toxicity	High FHMT	0.9648		
TetrahymenaPyriformis Toxicity	High TPT	0.9905		
Honey Bee Toxicity	Low HBT	0.8344		
Biodegradation	Not ready biodegradable	1.0000		
Acute Oral Toxicity	III	0.5847		
Carcinogenicity (Three-class)	Non-required	0.4210		

Toxicity (Predicted Activity through model)				
Rat Acute Toxicity	2.5414	LD ₅₀ , mol/kg		
Fish Toxicity	0.9284	pLC ₅₀ , mg/L		
TetrahymenaPyriformis Toxicity	1.2757	pIGC ₅₀ , ug/L		

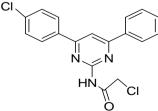
5.1.4. 2-chloro- N- (4-(2-nitrophenyl)-6-phenylpyrimidin-2-yl) a cetamide (P4):

2-chloro-N-(4-(2-nitrophenyl)-6-phenylpyrimidin-2-yl)acetamide

P9: Toxicity (Qualitative Prediction & Probability)				
Human Ethan a go go Balatad Cana Inhibition	Weak inhibitor	0.9128		
Human Ether-a-go-go-Related Gene Inhibition	Non-inhibitor	0.8573		
AMES Toxicity	AMES toxic	0.7221		
Carcinogens	Non-carcinogens	0.6831		
Fish Toxicity	High FHMT	0.9102		
TetrahymenaPyriformis Toxicity	High TPT	0.9529		
Honey Bee Toxicity	Low HBT	0.9078		
Biodegradation	Not ready biodegradable	0.9970		
Acute Oral Toxicity	III	0.6275		
Carcinogenicity (Three-class)	Non-required	0.4810		

Toxicity (Predicted Activity through model)				
Rat Acute Toxicity	2.6118	LD ₅₀ , mol/kg		
Fish Toxicity	1.0809	pLC ₅₀ , mg/L		
TetrahymenaPyriformis Toxicity	1.0539	pIGC ₅₀ , ug/L		

5.1.5. 2-chloro-*N*-(4-(4-chlorophenyl)-6-phenylpyrimidin-2-yl)acetamide (P5):



2-chloro-*N*-(4-(4-chlorophenyl)-6-phenylpyrimidin-2-yl)acetamide

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P10: Toxicity (Qualitative Prediction & Probability)				
Human Ethan a go go Palatad Gana Inhibition	Weak inhibitor	0.9449		
Human Ether-a-go-go-Related Gene Inhibition	Non-inhibitor	0.8505		
AMES Toxicity	Non AMES toxic	0.8224		
Carcinogens	Non-carcinogens	0.8784		
Fish Toxicity	High FHMT	0.7836		
TetrahymenaPyriformis Toxicity	High TPT	0.9851		
Honey Bee Toxicity	Low HBT	0.9011		
Biodegradation	Not ready biodegradable	1.0000		
Acute Oral Toxicity	III	0.7366		
Carcinogenicity (Three-class)	Non-required	0.6170		

Toxicity (Predicted Activity through model)				
Rat Acute Toxicity	1.8875	LD ₅₀ , mol/kg		
Fish Toxicity	1.3267	pLC ₅₀ , mg/L		
TetrahymenaPyriformis Toxicity	1.0385	pIGC ₅₀ , ug/L		

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

A novel series of compounds (**P1-P5**) were synthesized and characterized. The Infrared spectra of compounds (**P1-P5**) revealed absorption bands within 3770–3357 cm^{$^{-1}$} for (NH str), 1608- 1585 cm^{$^{-1}$} for C=N.1H NMR spectrum which showed a singlet signal at d (7.2-7.8) ppm.

All the newly synthesized Pyrimidine derivatives were evaluatedfor their biological activity by using Agar well diffusion method.

The antifungal activity evaluated against Penicilliumchyrsogenum by agar well diffusion method. All the synthesized Pyrimidine derivatives and standard drugs were dissolved in DMSO and the concentrations of test compounds were adjusted to 25, 50, 100, and 200 $\mu g/ml$ and Ketoconazole were used as an standard drug.

Based on the structure activity relationships, it can be concluded that presence of bulky group OCH₃, at 3,4,5 position shows good activity.

CONCLUSION

Among all the synthesized Pyrimidine derivatives, **P1** shows good activity against *Penicillium chrysogenum* and lesser toxicity.

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