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Molecular mechanisms of alkylhydroxybenzenes action on serine proteases activity

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Abstract

The influence of chemical analogues of microbial low-molecular weight anabiosis autoinducers (alkylhydroxybenzenes – AHB) on the structure and catalytic activity of serine proteases – trypsin and α -chymotrypsin, was studied. It has been shown that all AHB homologues studied – C7, C12 and C18, with different alkyl group length, inhibit the catalytic activity of trypsin and α -chymotrypsin. The analysis of tryptophan fluorescence spectra of enzymes showed that activity change, induced by AHB addition, is not related to protein destruction. The molecular docking revealed that AHB molecules blocked the different sites of protein surface. However, the most energy preferable protein-ligand complexes involve the residues of active center of enzymes.