

In silico Screening and Identification of Natural Compound Sophoraflavanone G as Potential Human Sodium-Glucose Cotransporter 2 Inhibitor

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Abstract: Type 2 diabetes mellitus (T2DM) is characterized by insulin resistance, and it is hitherto incurable. Among different therapeutic modalities, glucose co-transporter (SGLT) inhibitors have gained prominence. In the current study, we have screened natural compounds as potential SGLT inhibitor and compared with conventional gliflozin drugs. We have selected human SGLT 1 and 2 sequences modeled by homology modeling using SWISS-MODEL server, stability analysis was performed *in silico*. We used CDocker to dock the selected gliflozin drugs and natural compounds with SGLT 1 and 2. We further checked adsorption, distribution, metabolism, excretion, and toxicity using ADMETSAR tools and identified Sophoraflavanone G as a potential natural compound with good binding energy and drug-like characteristics. The molecular dynamic simulation revealed sophoraflavanone G binds with SGLT2 and forms a stable complex.

Keywords: sodium glucose cotransporter; Sophoraflavanone G; CDocker; gliflozin; admetSAR.

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1. Introduction

Diabetes is a metabolic disorder that affects hundreds of millions of people globally. Type 2 diabetes mellitus (T2DM) is commonly found among diabetic patients and it is characterized by reduced insulin secretion by β cells of Islets of Langerhans and insulin resistance [1], which results in hyperglycemia, delayed or impaired wound healing, diabetic retinopathy, diabetic nephropathy, diabetic neuropathy, etc., among multiple other complications [2]. Diabetes is an incurable disease, but its progression can be controlled. If unchecked, diabetes may cause stupor, coma, and even death due to multiple other complications. Since diabetes may happen due to multiple causes, there is no complete cure. Instead, drugs are designed to target different pathways or enzymes or receptors to keep the glucose level checked. T2DM results in major metabolic imbalance and activation of different inflammatory pathways [1]. A genome-wide analysis study (GWAS) identified ~400 associated gene variants. The conventional treatment of T2DM includes a) insulin therapy where external insulin is administered for a therapeutic purpose [3], b) sulfonylurea used to stimulate pancreatic β cells to secrete insulin [4], c) α -glucosidase inhibitor, which delays carbohydrate absorption by small intestine [5], d) biguanide which inhibits hepatic

neoglucogenesis process (e.g., metformin) [6], e) Thiazolidinediones which is a PPAR γ activator [7], f) dopamine antagonist [8], g) dipeptidyl peptidase inhibitor [9, 10], h) sodium-glucose co-transporter (SGLT) inhibitors [11-13].

Sodium-glucose co-transporters are found on the proximal convoluted tubule (PCT) of the nephron in the kidney [14]. The function of SGLT is the reabsorption of glucose, which works independently of insulin. For diabetic patients, due to SGLT activity, glucose is reabsorbed and transported back to the bloodstream, which results in elevated glucose in the bloodstream. There are six types of SGLTs are found in humans, of which SGLT 1 and 2 found mostly in the kidney and function as glucose transporter/absorber. Other than the kidney, SGLT2 is found in the liver, and SGLT1 is found in the kidney and many other organs like the brain, heart, intestine, trachea, testis, etc. SGLT3 is believed to act as a cellular glucose sensor and is found in the intestine, testis, lung, brain, etc. The function of SGLT 4, 5, and 6 is unknown, but they are found in different parts of the body [14]. In the kidney, SGLT 1 and 2 ratio is 1:10. Blocking of SGLT activities with selective inhibitors resulted in a significant decrease in glucose reabsorption, weight loss, and reduced HbA1C [15-17]. Gliflozine is a group of SGLT inhibitors that are designed to block glucose reabsorption at PCT. Different types gliflozine drugs are synthesized, and all drugs are not approved all over the world. Different gliflozine drugs like Canagliflozine, Dapagliflozine, Luseogliflozine, Empagliflozine, Topogliflozin have a higher affinity towards SGLT2 compared to SGLT1 [12, 15]. A post-market study shows urogenital tract infection, diabetic ketoacidosis as potential side effects [18, 19].

There are various natural compounds used to treat diabetes [20, 21]. Many plant-based natural compound structures have been elucidated, and some of their biological functions are known [22]. Few of the natural compounds are known to have nephroprotective activities [23, 24]. Gliflozin drugs were originally designed based on the natural compound phorizin, obtained in the apple tree's bark [25]. Thus, screening for more plant-based natural compounds as SGLT2 inhibitors is continued [26, 27].

This study selected 10 different natural compounds proposed to have SGLT inhibition potential from literature and screened them using molecular docking analysis against SGLT 1 and 2. We used SWISS-MODEL [28] to model the proteins as the structure is unavailable. We also analyzed binding studies of selected gliflozine drugs (Canagliflozine, Dapagliflozine, Luseogliflozine, Empagliflozine, Topogliflozin) through molecular docking simulation. Then we checked the natural compounds for adsorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion properties. We identified that Sophoraflavonone G as the best compound based on combined docking and ADMET score. The molecular dynamic simulation study shows that the Sophorafalavonone G binds with SGLT2 and forms a stable complex.

2. Materials and Methods

2.1. Structures of active compounds from plants.

The plant phytochemicals we used in our study are obtained from the literature review [29]. The phytochemicals we are studying are as follows: (1) formononetin, (2) kurarinone, (3) pterocarpin, (4) sophoraflavanone G, (5) variabilin, (6) acerogenin A, (7) acerogenin B, (8) acerogenin C, (9) gneyulin A, (10) gneyulin B. These phytochemicals have demonstrated anti-diabetic activity and supported by the literature [29] and were shortlisted to study the mode of action of these compounds with the active site of glucose co-transporters. Detailed information

about the phytochemicals such as structure, IUPAC name, and the chemical formula was obtained from the PubChem database and mentioned in Table 1.

2.2. Homology modeling.

Homology modeling has been developed to build proteins from a sequence of amino acids to align with similar proteins with known structures (template) [30]. Denovo prediction technique can be used if there are no templates available, but if the sequence of amino acid is short for the de novo technique, a model cannot be built. To build a reliable three-dimensional structure of proteins, homology modeling plays a crucial role *in silico* methods [31]. We have used SWISS-MODEL (<https://swissmodel.expasy.org/>) to perform homology modeling of human SGLT1 and SGLT2.

Table 1. Phytochemical properties of plants.

S.no	Compound	IUPAC Name	Chemical Formula
1	Formononetin	'7-hydroxy-3-(4-methoxyphenyl) chromen-4-one'	C ₁₆ H ₁₂ O ₄
2	Kurarinone	'(2S)-2-(2,4-[2])-7-hydroxy-5-methoxy-8-[(2R)-5-methyl-2-prop-1-en-2-yl]hex-4-enyl]-2,3-dihydrochromen-4-one'	C ₂₆ H ₃₀ O ₆
3	Pterocarpin	'(1R,12R)-16-methoxy-5,7,11,19-tetraoxapentacyclo [10.8.0.0 ^{2,10} .0 ^{4,8} .0 ^{13,18}] icsa-2,4(8),9,13(18),14,16-hexaene'	C ₁₇ H ₁₄ O ₅
4	Sophoraflavanone G	'(2S)-2-(2,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-5,7-dihydroxy-8-[(2R)-5-methyl-2-prop-1-en-2-yl]hex-4-enyl]-2,3-dihydrochromen-4-one'	C ₂₅ H ₂₈ O ₆
5	Variabilin	'(5Z)-5-[(6E,10E)-13-(furan-3-yl)-2,6,10-trimethyltrideca-6,10-dienylidene]-4-hydroxy-3-methylfuran-2-one'	C ₂₅ H ₂₄ O ₄
6	Acerogenin A	'(12R)-2-oxatricyclo [13.2.2.13,7] icsa-1(17),3,5,7(20),15,18-hexaene-4,12-diol'	C ₁₉ H ₂₂ O ₃
7	Acerogenin B	'(10S)-2-oxatricyclo [13.2.2.13,7] icsa-1(17),3,5,7(20),15,18-hexaene-4,10-diol'	C ₁₉ H ₂₂ O ₃
8	Acerogenin C	'4-hydroxy-2-oxatricyclo [13.2.2.13,7] icsa-1(17),3,5,7(20),15,18-hexaene-12-one'	C ₁₉ H ₂₀ O ₃
9	Gneyulin A	'4-[(E)-2-[(2R,3R)-3-(3,5-dihydroxyphenyl)-2-[(2R,3R)-2-(2,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-3-(3,5-dihydroxyphenyl)-6-hydroxy-2,3-dihydro-1-benzofuran-5-yl]-4-hydroxy-2,3-dihydro-1-benzofuran-6-yl]ethenyl]benzene-1,3-diol'	C ₄₂ H ₃₂ O ₁₂
10	Gneyulin B	'4-[(2R,3R)-3-(3,5-dihydroxyphenyl)-5-[(2R,3R)-3-(3,5-dihydroxyphenyl)-4-hydroxy-6-(6-hydroxy-1-benzofuran-2-yl)-2,3-dihydro-1-benzofuran-2-yl]-6-hydroxy-2,3-dihydro-1-benzofuran-2-yl]benzene-1,3-diol'	C ₄₂ H ₃₂ O ₁₂

Homology modeling is based on 4 main steps: Identification of proteins with experimentally solved protein structure (Search of template from databases); Modelling for a protein of interest (Selection of a template); Mapping of a target sequence and the template structure by manual adjustment and sequence alignment method; Evaluation of the derived protein.

Once the 3D-Structure of the proteins was generated, structural evaluation and stereochemical analysis were performed using SAVES 5.0 (<http://servicesn.mbi.ucla.edu/SAVES/>). Ramachandran Plot was used to determine the accuracy of the structure and visualization was performed.

2.3. Binding Site Prediction.

The cavities of the receptors are displayed as a set of points and a transparent sphere. If there is a ligand chain in the receptor-binding site cavity that is not detected, this method is known as Ligand Fit. It is based on user-defined binding site ligand may be minimized based on fixed and partial flexible receptors.

2.4. Molecular Docking.

The docking was carried out with DS 2017, which is a computational software analysis. There are several scoring functions available for evaluation. The high throughput screening is based on CDOCKER – which is based on aligning the ligand conformation of polar and nonpolar interaction sites of receptors known as hotspots [32]. The confirmation is generated using Catalyst. Minimization was done with CHARMM [33] since some poses may have hydrogen atoms close to receptors hotspots. Calculate ligand conformation, docks using conformation Libdock and minimize docked poses using CHARMM.

2.5. ADMET-SAR.

admetSAR (<http://www.swissadme.ch/>) plays a major role in screening new drugs, pesticides, different food additives and industrial chemicals [34]. It is especially useful to carry out toxicity analysis [23, 35, 36]. Calculation of phytochemical properties is important for filtering their “drug-likeness” and “lead likeness” and toxicity potential. In that situation, computer models establish a valid alternative to the experiments.

2.6. Molecular Dynamic Simulation.

This computer simulation method aims to analyze atoms' physical movement at the time of binding and nonbinding macromolecule [37]. A five-step standard dynamic cascade protocol in discovery studio was used to study the nature of sophoraflavonone G-SGLT 2 complex. It begins with 1000 steps of very steep descent followed by the 2000 steps of adopted basis minimization followed by the Newton-Raphson method. Further, 0.1 ns heating simulation and 2 fs time step was performed with 50 adjusted velocity frequency. This resulted in input sop g complex, and protein was submitted to equilibration with the same parameters as heating. Finally, the production step was performed at a 0.1 ns level with NVT condition. The spherical cutoff method was used to calculate the electrostatic energies. RMSD, RMSF AND protein Torsion Angles of the residues were analyzed using the analyze trajectory protocol. The value to calculate the structure's dynamic is mentioned as RMSD (Root Mean Square Deviation); it is a standard measure of the structural distance between coordinates. It measures the average distance between groups of atoms.

3. Results and Discussion

3.1. Homology modeling.

The proteins' three-dimensional structure was carried out in the Swiss model (Figure 1 A and B). The templates used for homology modeling of human SGLT1 and SGLT2 are mutant Vibrio SGLT (PDB id:2XQ2) [38]. Structure validation was done using the Molprobitry <https://biointerfaceresearch.com/>

webservice (Table 2). We found that the ratio between the residues in the most favored region and additional allowed regions is similar for SGLT1 (76.3%) and SGLT2 (74.14%). The constructed model was energy minimized in DS 2017 using CHARMM. The protein's stereochemical property was carried out with Ramachandran Plot (Figure 1 C and D). validation of protein structure is an important step for *in silico* analysis. We used the HARMONY server (<http://caps.ncbs.res.in/harmony/>) to examine the structure and stability of the modeled protein by assigning scores to individual residues. Also, we obtained a good score for total propensity and substitution score (Table 3), which indicates the protein's overall stability. A calibration plot is used to identify folds, misfolds and margin of error. Proteins with the misfolded region have a significant low harmony score and fall in the straight line. The total propensity score and substitution score provide the smoothened score compared to reverse sequence with query sequence (Figure 1 E and F).

Table 2. Comparative analysis and Ramachandran plot analysis of the proteins with Molprobit server.

Glucose transporters	SGLT 1	SGLT 2
Residues in most favored region	351	327
Residues in the additional allowed region	460	441

Table 3. Total Propensity score and Substitution score.

Proteins	No. of residues	Propensity Score	Substitution Score
SGLT 1	524	2395.3999	15291.5254
SGLT 2	489	2079.40112	13857.6582

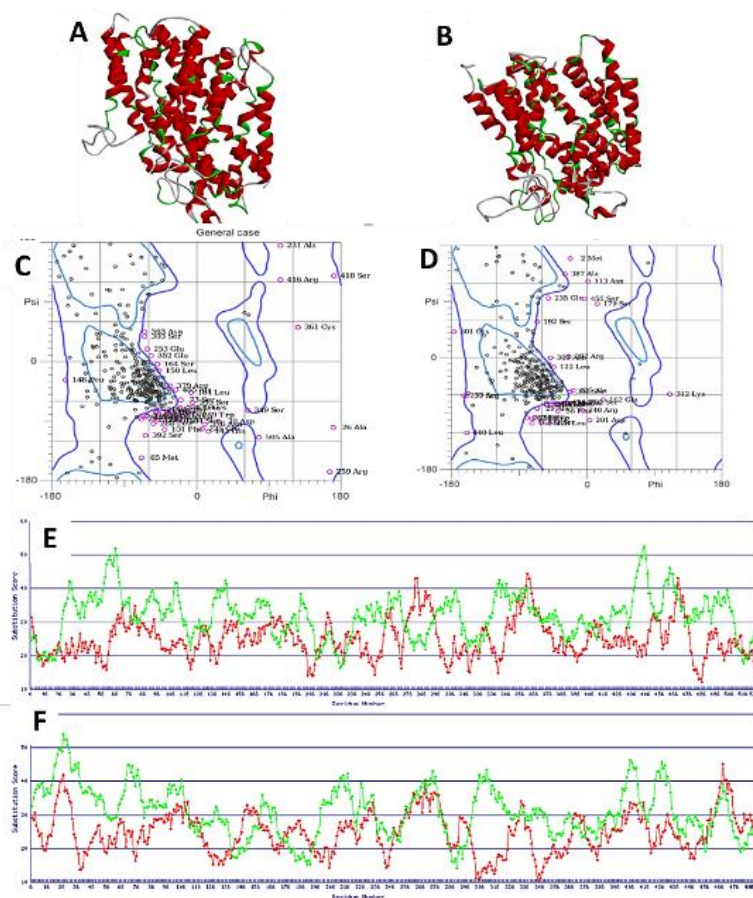


Figure 1. Predicted structure of A)SGLT 1, B) SGLT 2, Ramachandran plot of C) SGLT 1, D) SGLT 2, Validation of protein E) SGLT 1, F) SGLT 2.

3.2. Molecular docking.

To identify the active biological sites of the ligand, molecular docking was performed. This study is performed by using CDOCKER, where CHARMM forcefield is employed for the ligand and the proteins [39]. The CDOCKER score is based on a novel physics-based docking engine (i.e., a unique set of non-bond analyses that includes favorable, unfavorable, and unsatisfied interaction). The CDOCKER algorithm is based on “Structure-based design”. The binding site of the modeled proteins is based on the template protein. The sphere's radius was 7 for the binding site of the proteins' interaction (SGLT 1, SGLT 2) and the ligands. CHARMM forcefield was applied to the target and ligands to find out the lowest energy conformation using the SMART minimizer algorithm. The set of 15 ligands (5 drugs and 10 natural compounds) and the receptor proteins (SGLT 1, SGLT 2) were used for the docking. The radius of the binding spheres was set at SGLT 1 (X = 1.921, Y = -31.195, Z = -56.032); SGLT 2 (X = 3.876, Y = -37.417, Z = -57.774) were submitted to CDOCKER parameters. Ligands with the highest docking scores are shortlisted for pharmacophore analysis. The results show that among 15 ligands, only 13 were docked, and the remaining 2 ligands failed to dock in the active site of the protein. The ligand Sophoraflavanone G has shown the highest libdock score for SGLT 1 = -2.55; compared with other natural compounds which form strong hydrogen bonds, Sophoraflavanone G was found to have Alkyl, Pi-Alkyl, Pi-sigma and amide Pi- stacked Van Der Waals force interaction with the interacting residues of SGLT1. The libdock score for SGLT 2 with Sophoraflavanone G was found to be -4.799, where strong hydrogen bonds, Pi-Alkyl, Alkyl, Pi-Cation, and an unfavorable bump interaction was found with the interacting residues. The docking result for the best compound is shown in the below tables (Table 4 and 5) for SGLT1 and SGLT2, respectively. We have selectively shown dapagliflozin and sophoraflavanone G interaction with SGLT 1 (Figure 2) and SGLT 2 (Figure 3).

Table 4. Interaction with SGLT 1.

Name	C Docker energy	C Docker energy Interaction	Initial potential energy	Initial RMS gradient	Electrostatic energy	Potential energy	Van Der Waals energy	RMS gradient
Dapagliflozin	-16.1856	43.9447	43.3229	9.24713	-7.36933	21.1992	-0.30047	0.00961
Canagliflozin	-13.7402	40.8924	56.8803	10.7607	-5.85097	24.4546	03385	0.00904
Luseogliflozin	-19.431	51.8952	35.051	9.55635	-22.4615	8.45956	1.01916	0.0095
Topogliflozin	+0.759268	42.4603	63.9008	9.30167	-4.9888	394922	-1.00978	0.00919
Empagliflozin	-0.067935	48.8322	64.0779	9.54468	-11.3074	36.5242	-2.22806	0.00948
Variabilin	+27.2427	47.1613	95.9718	16.227	1.3013	69.6824	-16.4128	0.00914
Sophoraflavanone G	-2.55076	42.3333	71.5743	11.3848	5.24414	46.8	-7.50666	0.00852
Kurarinone	+5.26431	42.6011	74.628	11.4084	1.82874	48.3952	-8.10667	0.00966
Formononetin	-15.5973	26.4066	17.8551	11.0142	-1.23529	9.16661	4.22027	0.00949
Pterocarpin	+19.4484	26.0202	66.3731	23.6777	-6.0572	39.3554	7.19842	0.00968
Acerogenin A	-15.1623	29.9445	-1.81643	6.63012	-22.9437	-6.03098	-1.20927	0.00961
Acerogenin B	-17.1741	34.3197	8.50905	6.85452	-22.9728	-5.62765	-2.25999	0.00972
Acerogenin C	-19.3449	28.3537	2.78925	9.51757	-22.7967	-11.1551	-3.30114	0.00877

Name	C Docker energy	C Docker energy Interaction	Initial potential energy	Initial RMS gradient	Electrostatic energy	Potential energy	Van Der Waals energy	RMS gradient
Gneyulin A	-25.5139	74.6637	5335.45	4575.34	-32.2179	31.787	6.82299	0.00973
Gneyulin B	-15.4972	68.2842	5302.57	4703.97	-38.5573	19.1332	7.87867	0.00957

Table 5. Interaction with SGLT 2.

Name	C Docker energy	C Docker energy Interaction	Initial potential energy	Initial RMS gradient	Electrostatic energy	Potential energy	Van Der Waals energy	RMS gradient
Dapagliflozin	-13.0169	52.6356	46.3229	9.24713	-7.36933	21.1992	-0.30047	0.00961
Canagliflozin	-19.4977	47.3875	56.8803	10.7607	-5.85097	24.4546	0.3385	0.00904
Luseogliflozin	-18.6059	47.9363	35.051	9.55635	-22.4615	8.45956	1.01916	0.0095
Topogliflozin	-0.517491	46.4127	63.9008	9.30167	-4.9888	39.4922	-1.00978	0.00919
Empagliflozin	-0.378219	49.2695	64.0779	9.54468	-11.3074	36.5242	-2.22806	0.00948
Variabilin	+32.2813	48.5525	63.9008	16.227	1.3013	69.6824	-16.4128	0.00914
Sophoraflavanone G	-4.79975	49.2259	71.5743	11.3848	5.24414	46.8	-7.50666	0.00852
Kurarinone	-1.82271	49.6274	74.628	11.4084	1.82874	48.3952	-2.01667	0.00966
Formononetin	-22.2949	32.8885	17.8551	11.0142	-1.23529	9.16661	4.22027	0.00949
Pterocarpin	+15.079	30.4889	66.3731	23.6777	-6.0572	39.3554	7.19842	0.00968
Acerogenin A	-14.6421	30.4329	-1.81643	6.63012	-22.9437	-6.03098	-1.20927	0.00961
Acerogenin B	-13.958	31.6208	8.50905	6.85452	-22.9728	-5.62765	-2.25999	0.00972
Acerogenin C	-22.103	33.949	2.78925	9.51757	-22.7967	-11.1551	-3.30114	0.00877
Gneyulin A	+3.62908	64.3098	5335.45	4575.34	-32.2179	37.787	6.82299	0.00973
Gneyulin B	-6.6668	68.7939	5302.57	4703.97	-38.5573	19.1332	7.87867	0.00957

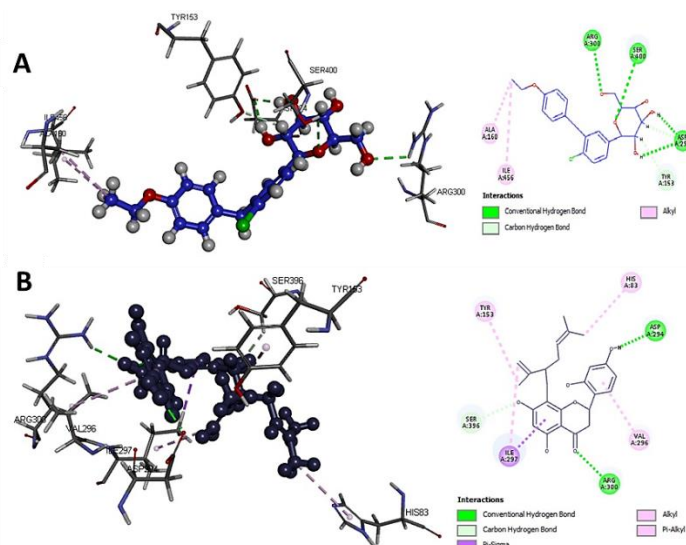


Figure 2. (A) Interaction of Dapagliflozin with SGLT 1. 3D and 2D interaction view of protein and ligand complex and (B) Interaction of Sophoraflavanone G with SGLT 1, 3D and 2D interaction view of protein and ligand complex.

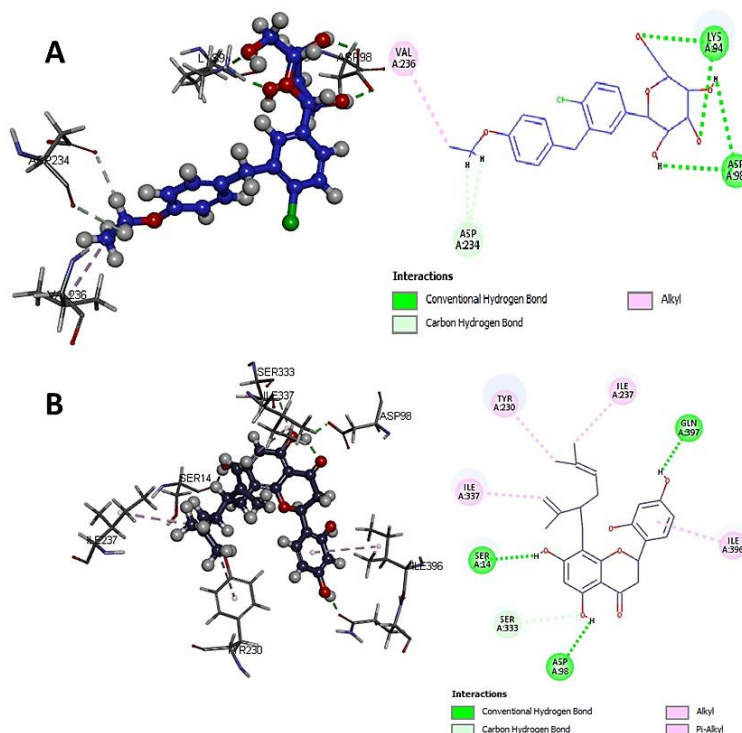


Figure 3. (A) Interaction of Dapagliflozin with SGLT 2, 3D and 2D interaction view of protein and ligand complex. (B) Interaction of Sophoraflavanone G with SGLT 2, 3D and 2D interaction view of protein and ligand complex.

3.3. ADMET-SAR.

Acute oral toxicity refers to the adverse effect observed within 24 h of oral or dermal administration of single or multiple doses of a given substance. LD50 or median lethal dose was divided into four categories. Categories I contain the compound ≤ 50 mg/kg. Categories II contains compound > 50 mg/kg but < 500 mg/kg. Category III LD50 contains > 500 mg/kg but < 5000 mg/kg, and Category IV LD50 contains > 5000 mg/kg. Bio-degradation is to check the drug's breakdown, which is a chemical reaction that involves the collision of molecules. Human intestinal absorption if the compound with HIA% is less than 30% it is labeled as HIA-, otherwise labeled as HIA+. In Table 6, the ADMET score for 5 drugs and 10 natural compounds is mentioned. Considering all the factors, Soporaf flavonone G was selected for further analysis.

Table 6. ADMET Score.

Chemical Drug and natural compounds	Acute Oral Toxicity (Kg/mol)	Bio-degradation	Human Oral Bioavailability	Human Intestinal Absorption	CYP2D6 Inhibitor	Blood-Brain Barrier (BBB)	Solubility (Log S)
Dapagliflozin	2.776	-	- (0.6714)	+ (0.9297)	- (0.8768)	+ (0.9557)	-3.0847
Canagliflozin	2.901	-	- (0.5429)	+ (0.8753)	- (0.8683)	+ (0.9681)	-2.8768
Luseogliflozin	2.284	-	+ (0.5286)	+ (0.9338)	- (0.9215)	+ (0.9460)	-2.4706
Tofogliflozin	2.762	-	- (0.5143)	+ (0.6489)	- (0.9401)	+ (0.8578)	-1.9281
Empagliflozin	3.114	-	- (0.7000)	+ (0.9094)	- (0.7888)	+ (0.9685)	-2.7518
Variabilin	2.302	-	- (0.6571)	+ (0.9751)	- (0.8811)	+ (0.9491)	-3.5814

Chemical Drug and natural compounds	Acute Oral Toxicity (Kg/mol)	Bio-degradation	Human Oral Bioavailability	Human Intestinal Absorption	CYP2D6 Inhibitor	Blood-Brain Barrier (BBB)	Solubility (Log S)
Sophoraflavanone G	2.878	-	- (0.6143)	+ (0.9951)	- (0.6860)	- (0.45)	-3.8950
Kurarinone	2.544	-	- (0.6143)	+ (0.9965)	+ (0.7350)	- (0.3578)	-3.9253
Formononetin	1.606	-	+ (0.5714)	+ (0.9911)	- (0.8998)	- (0.3715)	-3.4575
Pterocarpin	1.454	-	- (0.5857)	+ (0.9906)	+ (0.9395)	+ (0.9282)	-3.3129
Acerogenin A	2.245	-	- (0.5714)	+ (0.9490)	- (0.9330)	+ (0.8140)	-2.4715
Acerogenin B	2.151	-	- (0.5714)	+ (0.9490)	- (0.9330)	+ (0.8140)	-2.4715
Acerogenin C	1.742	-	- (0.5429)	+ (0.9528)	- (0.9626)	- (0.2408)	-2.3657
Gneyulin A	1.911	-	- (0.7286)	+ (0.9923)	- (0.8256)	- (0.2372)	-3.6052
Gneyulin B	2.351	-	- (0.7286)	+ (0.9940)	- (0.8110)	- (0.2472)	-3.3455

3.4. Molecular dynamic simulation.

The result of protein and docked complex standard dynamic simulation studies showed that the energy and RMS gradient variations. The potential energy in the production step for the protein and the complex was found to be -23523.160 kcal/mol and -23375.509 kcal/mol, respectively. The energy difference between protein and drug complex was negligible, which proved the drug complex was stable to inhibit the protein completely.

The total energy of protein starts from -17525.447 kcal/mol at the beginning time; further, it reduced to the local minima with the energy level of -17812.447 kcal/mol at the time of 300 ps time (Figure 4). Similarly, the drug complex's final energy was found to be -17799.125 kcal/mol (Figure 5).

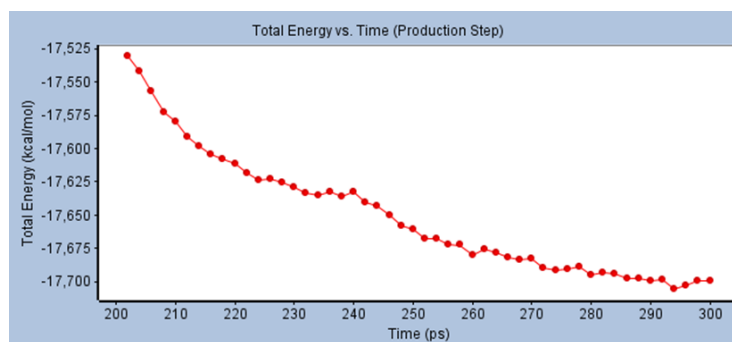


Figure 4. The total energy changes at different time intervals for the protein.

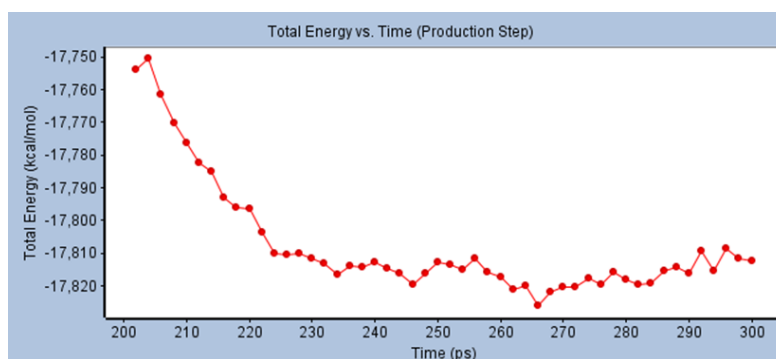


Figure 5. The total energy changes at different time intervals for the protein and drug complex.

3.5. Trajectory analysis.

Trajectory analysis protocol run resulted in the RMSD and RMSF values for the 50 confirmation of SGLT 2 and SGLT 2- sophoraflavonone G complex. The analysis of Figure 6 revealed that the natural compound interacted well and did not make any energy changes of residues of the protein. Drug molecules alter the confirmation of two non-binding site amino acids Ser1 and Met138 (Figure 6 a-d). This does not make any fluctuations of any other residues of the protein confirmed the complex's stability.

This overall dynamic simulation analysis concludes that the drug molecule forms a stable complex with the protein and is possible to completely inhibit the target protein.

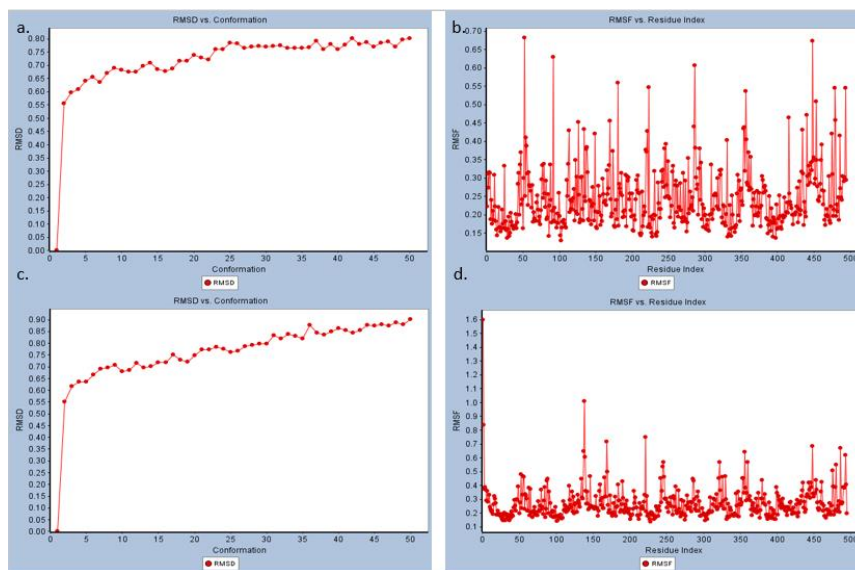


Figure 6. Trajectory analysis of 50 confirmation of protein and drug-protein complex. a. RMSD value of 50 protein. b. RMS fluctuations of residues of the protein. c. RMSD value of 50 protein and drug complex. d. RMS fluctuations of residues of protein and drug complex.

4. Conclusions

The modeled human SGLT 1 and 2 were docked with selected gliflozin drugs and natural compounds. The purpose of docking was to predict the structure of the ligands constraints of receptor binding sites and estimate binding strength. The binding mode of sodium-glucose transporters with bioactive compounds was investigated by doing computational analysis using CDOCKER. The docking analysis results were described in Table 4 and 5, and Sophoraflavanone G showed a good docking score because the lower value of free energy of binding validates a strong and favorable bond, which is preferred for best docking study. So, the docking score between SGLTs and Sophoraflavanone G is the most favorable conformations with compared standard drugs. The ADME analysis shown in Table 3-4 shows that the selected physicochemical properties are known to absorption and bioavailability. Sophoraflavanone G satisfied all the ADMET properties as a drug-like potential. Molecular Dynamic simulation revealed stable complex formation between SGLT 2 and sophoraflavonone G (Figure 4-6), which indicates sophoraflavonone G can be a good alternative SGLT 2 inhibitor.

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