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## Synthesis, in -Vitro and in Silico studies of azo-based calix [4]arenes as antibacterial agent and neuraminidase inhibitor: A new look into an old scaffold (Article) [\(Open Access\)](#)

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## Abstract

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Calixarene derivatives are reported as potential therapeutic agents. Azo derivatives of calixarenes have not been given much consideration to explore their biomedical applications. In the present study, some azo-based derivatives of calix[4]arene were synthesized and characterized and their antibacterial and antiviral potentials were studied. The mono azo products of sulphanilamide, sulfaguanidine and 2-methyl-4-aminobenzoic acid showed good activity against bacterial strains with minimum inhibition concentration values ranging from 0.97 to 62.5 µg/mL. For mono azo products, the diazotized salt was applied as a limiting reagent. The use of calix[4]arene and sodium acetate trihydrate in 1:3 (molar ratio) helped in partial substitution. Molecular docking was performed to see the interaction of the designed compounds with two bacterial enzymes (neuraminidase and β-lactamase). The derivatives showed good interaction with the active site of both enzymes through hydrogen, hydrophobic and pi-pi interactions, and could inhibit the activity of the selected enzymes. © 2018 Ali, Muhamad Bunnori, Susanti, Muhammad Alhassan and Abd Hamid.

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