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Find attached herewith the manuscript entitled “**Synthesis and antimicrobial evaluation of some 1′-(4-arylthiazol-2-yl)-2-(aryl/heteroaryl)-3′,5-dimethyl-1′*H*,2*H*-3,4′-bipyrazol-5′-ols***”* for consideration of publication in your esteemed journal. The important findings are:

1. A series of sixteen 1′-(4-arylthiazol-2-yl)-2-(aryl/heteroaryl)-3′,5-dimethyl-1′*H*,2*H*-3,4′-bipyrazol-5′-ols was synthesized and characterized by different spectral (IR, 1H NMR and mass) and physical techniques.
2. The synthesized compounds were investigated for evaluation of their *in vitro* antimicrobial activity against three bacterial strains *viz*. *Bacillus subtilis*, *Staphylococcus aureus* and *Escherichia coli*, and two fungal strains *viz*. *Candida albicans* and *Aspergillus niger*.
3. Antifungal activities were found more prolific than antibacterial activities.
4. The compounds **7a** and **7e** exhibited more inhibitory activity against *A. niger* than the reference drug *i.e.* Fluconazole.
5. Further, the docking simulations of compounds **7a**, **7m** and **7o** were performed into active site of *S. aureus* 1,4-dihydroxy-2,2 naphthoyl CoA synthase to study binding interactions.

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