

Review of: "Synthesis of 1, 2-Disubstituted Benzimidazoles at Ambient Temperature Catalyzed by 1-Methylimidazolium Tetrafluoroborate ([Hmim] BF₄) and Investigating Their Anti-ovarian Cancer Properties Through Molecular Docking Studies and Calculations"

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This study details the synthesis of 1,2-disubstituted benzimidazoles in good to exceptional yields and short timeframes by reacting aromatic aldehydes with *o*-phenylenediamines (OPD) in the presence of 1-methylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate ([Hmim] BF₄). Furthermore, computational chemistry and drug design methodologies were used to study and evaluate these compounds' anti-ovarian cancer characteristics.

The fundamental issue, in my opinion, is that the chemistry stated in the manuscript is already known. All compounds reported in Table 1 were previously prepared using the same protocol, including the reactions of aldehydes, and *o*-phenylenediamines. The only new thing in this article is the use of 1-methylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate ([Hmim] BF₄) as a catalyst.

In addition, the following adjustments and revisions should be considered:

1. Table 6, including a comparison of the prepared catalyst with the reported ones, should be moved before the Molecular docking study.
2. NMR (¹H and ¹³C) data should be added to the experimental part for all compounds. Moreover, spectral data should be added as supplementary data.
3. The manuscript showed some spelling and grammatical errors and should be corrected before publication.
4. References should be written according to the authors' instructions.