Inhibitability of Tetrylene Complexes against *Rhizoctonia* solani and *Magnaporthe* oryzae

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ABSTRACT

Copper carbenes and silylenes are considered for the inhibitory effect of the considered complexes towards *Rhizoctonia solani* (PDB-4G9M) and *Magnaporthe oryzae* (PDB-6JBR) in rice. Quantum chemical calculations of copper carbene and silylene complexes (Cu-NHC1, Cu-NHC2, Cu-NHSi1, and Cu-NHSi2) were obtained using density functional theory (DFT). Their inhibitability towards the targeted proteins (4G9M; 6JBR) was evaluated using molecular docking analysis. Quantum chemical analysis predicts the stability of the studied complexes. Their electronic configurations are justified and highly conducive to intermolecular interaction. Regarding the carbenes/silylenes-4G9M structures, the stability is estimated in the order [Cu-NHC2]-4G9M > [Cu-NHSi1]-4G9M = [Cu-NHSi2]-4G9M > [Cu-NHC1]-4G9M; while the order for the carbenes/silylenes-6JBR adducts is [Cu-NHSi2]-6JBR > [Cu-NHC2]-6JBR = [Cu-NHSi1]-6JBR > [Cu-NHC1]-6JBR. The findings of this study reveal that coppercarbenes and copper-silylenes have the potential to protect against the infection of fungi *Rhizoctonia solani* and *Magnaporthe oryzae*, which encourages further research.

Keywords: Carbene; silylene; Rhizoctonia solani; Magnaporthe oryzae; density functional theory; molecular docking simulation.