ABSTRACT

Klebsiella pneumoniae is an opportunistic microbe belonging to the Enterobacteriaceae family capable of causing nosocomial and community-acquired infections such as meningitis, bloodstream infections BSI, liver abscesses, urinary tract infections UTI, and surgical site infections SSIs. Klebsiella pneumoniae is capable of developing resistance against antimicrobial agents. The extended-spectrum beta-lactamases ESBLs and Klebsiella pneumoniae carbapenemases KPC-producing strains significantly mediate high-level resistance against various antibiotic classes. From 2006-2020, year by year the prevalence rate of Klebsiella pneumoniae increased from 1.57% to 32.3%. Klebsiella pneumoniae exhibit 20.65%-37.4%, 40%-60%, and 30%-40% resistance against carbapenems, third-generation cephalosporins, and fluoroquinolones, 30%-40% resistance against aminoglycoside, respectively. The current study emphasizes multidisciplinary approaches by employing computational biology, bioinformatics, and cheminformatics tools to amplify the understanding of developing novel antimicrobial agents for Klebsiella pneumoniae. The current study aims to determine the screening of FDA-approved drugs using in silico and in vitro strategies against multidrug-resistant Klebsiella pneumoniae. This approach explores the novel strategy of drug reprofiling against untreatable diseases. The leading potential candidates selected from in silico analysis are subjected to in vitro analysis to authenticate their effectiveness against Klebsiella pneumoniae.