In vitro Antibacterial Activities of Silver (I) 4-Substituted Benzenesulfonate Derivatives

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SUMMARY. A new series of silver (I) 4-substitutedbenzenesulfonate derivatives (1-8) have been synthesized in order to search for new potential antibacterial agents. The antibacterial activity of 1-8 against various strains of bacteria has been determined. Compounds 2-4 (silver (I) 4-methylbenzenesulfonate (2), silver (I) 4-methoxybenzenesulfonate (3), and silver (I) 4-aminobenzenesulfonate (4)) showed broad spectrum of antibacterial activities against both Gram-positive (methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus, Staphylococcus aureus, Bacillus sub-tilis, Enterococcus faecalis* and vancomycin-resistant *Enterococcus faecalis*) and only one Gram-negative bacterium (*Shigella sonnei*). The Structure-Activity Relationship (SAR) has also been reported.

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