

## Synthesis and biological evaluation of novel carboxylate phosphobetaines derivatives with long alkyl chains

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### Abstract

© 2016 Taylor & Francis Group, LLC. The purpose of the present study was to investigate the antibacterial activity of novel alkyl esters of carboxylate phosphobetaine:  $\beta$ -(carboxyalkyl)ethyltributylphosphonium bromides 4–8. The in vitro microbiological activity of the synthesized phosphonium bromides against gram-positive, gram-negative bacteria and the yeast *Candida albicans* was determined in comparison to standard agents. Microbiological results indicate the synthesized phosphonium salts possess a broad spectrum of activity against the tested microorganisms. Every newly synthesized compound was characterized by elemental analyses, IR,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR,  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectral studies.

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