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Vanillin has phenolic group in its structure which enabled this molecule to become antioxidant. This research investigated synthesis reaction of vanillin derivatives using a metal catalyst, namely CuCl(OH). TMEDA. This synthesis reaction used oxidative coupling mechanism under aerobic condition at room temperature. The synthesis product was analyzed using thin chromatography and further purified with column chromatography. One isolate from column chromatography was analyzed using LC/MS/MS. LC/MS/MS spectrum supported the facts that the synthesis product was a dimer of vanillin. The isolate product of synthesis reaction was analyzed for its antioxidant activity using DPPH radical scavenging assay. According to previous research, dimer of phenol has higher antioxidant activity than its monomer, however dimer of vanillin synthesized using CuCl(OH).TMEDA has lower antioxidant activity. The decrease in antioxidant activity was suspected from the structure which present in keto form.

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