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Methylene blue and Alzheimer's disease

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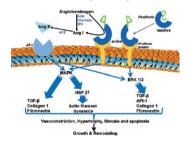
The relationship between methylene blue (MB) and Alzheimer's disease has recently attracted increasing attention since MB has been suggested to slow down the progression of this disease.

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Renin, the rate-limiting enzyme in activation of the RAAS, has turned out to also be a ligand to a protein termed the renin/prorenin receptor, which binds renin and prorenin.



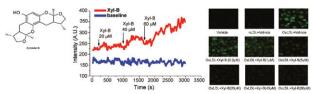
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A novel marine compound xyloketal B protects against oxidized LDL-induced cell injury in vitro

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A novel marine compound xyloketal B protects against oxidized LDL-induced endothelial cell injury through attenuating ROS generation and promoting NO release.



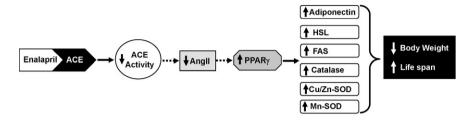
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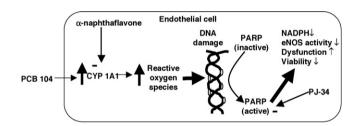
ACE inhibitor enalapril decreases body weight gain and increases life span through activation of PPAR_Y in the adipose tissue.



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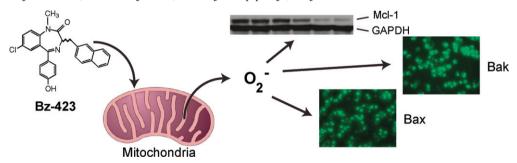


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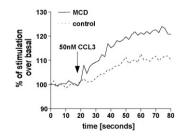


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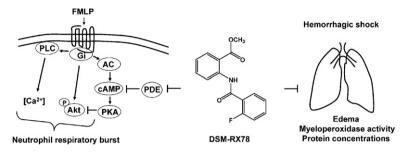
MCD treatment of monocytic THP-1 cells leads to an increase in the signalling properties of CCR5.



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AMD3465 is a selective antagonist of the chemokine receptor CXCR4 which exhibits biphasic pharmacokinetics and causes rapid leukocytosis, a surrogate for hematopoietic stem cell mobilization, when administered subcutaneously.

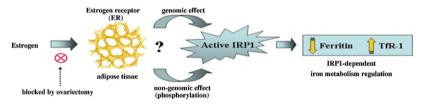
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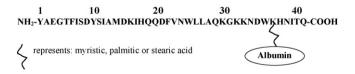


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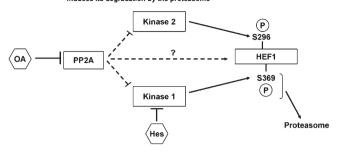
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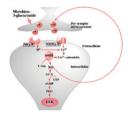


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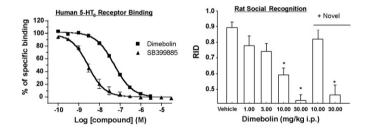
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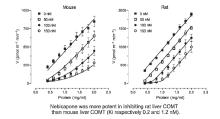


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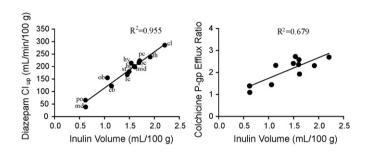
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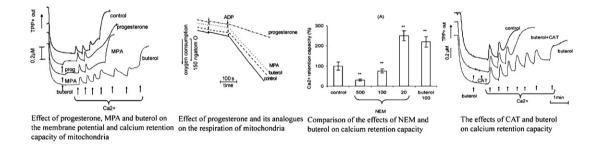
The rate of regional perfusion flow (diazepam as marker), as well as P-gp-mediated colchicine efflux activity, was directly proportional to local capillary density (inulin as marker) in murine brain.



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