### QSAR of Anticancer Compounds. Bis(11-oxo-11*H*-indeno[1,2-*b*]

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 $quino line-6-carbox amides), \ Bis (phenazine-1-carbox amides), \ and \ Bis (naph thalimides)$ 

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QSAR have been developed for the anticancer activity (growth inhibition) of various tumor cells by bis(11-oxo-11*H*-indeno[1,2-*b*]quinoline-6-carboxamides), bis(phenazine-1-carboxamides), and bis(naphthalimides). Of the seven QSAR, positive hydrophobic interactions are found in only two examples: bis(naphthalimides) versus human colon cancer cells.

### Modified Iridoid Glycosides as Anti-implantation Agents:

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### Inhibition of Cell Adhesion as an Approach for Developing Pregnancy Interceptive Agents

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Structural modifications in iridoid glycosides and evaluation of their efficacy on adhering capability (in vitro) of immature hamster uterine epithelial cells to the substratum have been studied. Out of 31, eight compounds in vitro, five compounds in utero and two in vivo showed adhesion/implantation preventing activity, respectively. The results provide an indication for further exploration in the line of development of anti-adhesive agents.

# Synthesis of Novel GABA Uptake Inhibitors. Part 6: Preparation and Evaluation of $N-\Omega$ Asymmetrically Substituted Nipecotic Acid Derivatives

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Asymmetric analogues of known symmetric GABA uptake inhibitors, in which one of the aryl groups has been exchanged with an alkyl, alkylene or cycloalkylene moiety, have been investigated.

$$X'=$$
 $CH_2)_n$ 
 $R_3$ 
 $X''=$ 
 $CH_2)_n$ 
 $R_4$ 
 $R_4$ 

#### **QSAR Studies on Acylated Histamine Derivatives**

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 $H_3$ -receptor antagonist activity in terms of  $-\log K_i$  for a series of acylated histamine derivatives was modelled topologically in that combination of molecular redundancy and molecular connectivity indices with indicator parameter gave best results. The results are discussed based on adjusted  $R_A^2$ .

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
N & R_1 \\
N & R_2 & H \\
H & R_3
\end{array}$$

### Synthesis, Cytotoxic Activity, NMR Study and Stereochemical Effects of Some New Pyrano[3,2-b]thioxanthen-6-ones and Pyrano[2,3-c]thioxanthen-7-ones

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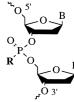
Some new substituted pyrano[3,2-b]thioxanthen-6-ones and pyrano[2,3-c]thioxanthen-7-ones were prepared and their cytotoxic activity was evaluated using acronycine as the reference compound. The conformation of the molecules was also investigated in an effort to correlate this parameter with the biological activity.

$$\bigcap_{S} \bigcap_{CH_3} \bigcap_{R_2} \bigcap_{R_2} \bigcap_{R_2} \bigcap_{R_2} \bigcap_{R_2} \bigcap_{CH_3} \bigcap_{R_2} \bigcap_{CH_3} \bigcap$$

## Immunostimulatory Activity of CpG Oligonucleotides Containing Non-Ionic Methylphosphonate Linkages

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The placement of a non-ionic linkage closer than three internucleoside linkages in the 5'-flanking sequence to the CpG-motif suppressed immunostimulatory activity, while incorporation farther than three internucleoside linkages increased immunostimulatory activity compared with unmodified parent oligo. In general, the presence of a non-ionic linkage in the 3'-flanking sequence to the CpG-motif did not affect immunostimulatory activity significantly compared with the parent CpG oligo.



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 $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{S}^{-}$ ; anionic linkage  $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{CH}_3$ ; non-ionic linkage

## Synthesis, DNA Cleavage, and Cytotoxicity of a Series of Bis(propargylic) Sulfone Crown Ethers

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A series of bis(propargylic) sulfone crown ethers were synthesized and their alkali metal ion binding and alkali metal ion-regulated DNA cleavage ability determined.

### **Testosterone Delivery Using Glutamide-based Complex High Axial Ratio Microstructures**

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#### Synthesis and Anti-HIV Activity of Cosalane Analogues Incorporating Two Dichlorodisalicylmethane Pharmacophore Fragments

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#### A New Acivicin Prodrug Designed for Tumor-Targeted Delivery

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The synthesis and the in vitro characteristics of an antitumor agent prodrug designed for immunoconjugation are reported.

### Copper(II) Complexes with N,N-Dialkyl-1,10-phenanthroline-

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2,9-Dimethanamine: Synthesis, Characterization, DNA-Binding Thermodynamical and Kinetic Studies

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Copper(II) complexes (Cu–L, L = N, N'-dialkyl-1,10-phenanthroline-2,9-dimethanamine) were synthesized and characterized. Using ethidium bromide as a fluorescence probe, the binding mode of the complexes Cu–L with calf-thymus DNA was studied spectroscopically, and Kinetics of binding of the cupric complexes to DNA was studied for the first time with stopped-flow spectrophotometer under pseudo-first-order condition.

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#### An Enantioselective Synthesis of Insecticidal 4-Alkynyloxazolines

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#### A Pyridone Analogue of Traditional Cannabinoids. A New Class of Selective Ligands for the CB2 Receptor

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The synthesis and pharmacology of both hydroxyl epimers of a pyridone analogue of traditional cannabinoids are described. Neither compound has significant affinity for the CB<sub>1</sub> receptor, but both have affinity in the 50 nM range for the CB2 receptor.

$$\bigcap_{N}^{OH} \bigcap_{CH_3}^{O} \bigcap_{CH_3}^{CH_7}$$

#### Simple Isoquinoline and Benzylisoquinoline Alkaloids as Potential Antimicrobial, Antimalarial, Cytotoxic, and Anti-HIV Agents

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Twenty-six simple isoquinolines and 21 benzylisoquinolines were tested for antimicrobial, antimalarial, cytotoxic, and anti-HIV activity. Several simple isoquinoline alkloids were significantly active in each assay and may be useful as lead compounds for developing potential chemotherapeutic agents.

#### Comparative QSAR Studies on Bibenzimidazoles and Terbenzimidazoles Inhibiting Topoisomerase I

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QSAR studies have been derived on published activity data for bibenzimidazole and terbenzimidazole derivatives inhibiting topoisomerase I.

#### Oligonucleotides Containing a Lysine Residue as 3'-3' Junction for Alternate **Strand Triple Helix Formation**

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ODN chain ODN ODN assembly **EmocHN** a) on (ε) NH<sub>2</sub> b) on  $(\alpha)$  NH<sub>2</sub> 3' - 3' linked ODN

#### Synthesis and Biochemical Investigation of Scyphostatin Analogues as Inhibitors of Neutral Sphingomyelinase

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The enzymatic investigations of two scyphostatin analogues 3a and 3b reveals the importance of the primary hydroxy group for 3c of N-SMase inhibition.

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a: R = H b:  $R = C_6H_5$  c: R = OH

# Tris-benzimidazole Derivatives: Design, Synthesis and DNA Sequence Recognition

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### Velnacrine Thiaanalogues as Potential Agents for Treating Alzheimer's Disease

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In searching for new potent AChEIs, a series of variously substituted thiopyranoquinolines were synthesized as velnacrine thiaanalogues. The anti-AChE data show that the bioisosteric substitution carried out maintains the activity; moreover the presence of a chlorine atom in certain positions of the aromatic ring increases the activity. A molecular docking study to evaluate the possible binding modes of the synthesized compounds inside the tacrine binding site was also performed.

 $R \bigcup_{N} S(O)_{n}$ 

thiopyranoquinolines

 $R = H, CI, OCH_3$   $R_1 = H, CH_3, CH_2Ph$ n = 0, 1

## Synthesis of 2,4-Diamino-6-(thioarylmethyl)pyrido[2,3-d] pyrimidines as Dihydrofolate Reductase Inhibitors

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## Formation of 2-Chloroinosine from Guanosine by Treatment of $HNO_2$ in the Presence of NaCl

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### Immobilisation on Polystyrene of Diazirine Derivatives of Mono- and Disaccharides: Biological Activities of Modified Surfaces

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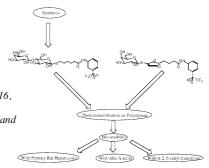
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### Ethenesulfonamide and Ethanesulfonamide Derivatives, a Novel Class of Orally Active Endothelin-A Receptor Antagonists

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The synthesis and SARs of a novel class of orally active endothelin antagonists including **6e** (YM598 monopotassium) are described.

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#### Synthesis of Galactosyl Compounds for Targeted Gene Delivery

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### Synthesis of Pyridino[2,3-f]indole-4,9-dione 6,7-Disubstituted Quinoline-5,8-dione Derivatives and Evaluation on their Cytotoxic Activity

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### The 3-D QSAR Study of Anticancer 1-N-substituted Imidazoand Pyrrolo-quinoline-4,9-dione Derivatives by CoMFA and CoMSIA

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A: 2-Methyl-1-substituted-imidazo[4,5-g]quinoline-4,9-dione

B: 7,8-Dihydro-10H-[1,4]oxazino[3',4':2,3]imidazo[4,5-g]quinoline-5,12-dione (X = O), 7,8-Dihydro-10H-[1,4]thiazino[3',4':2,3]imidazo[4,5-g]quinoline-5,12-dione (X = S), 7,8-Dihydro-10H-[1,4]piperidino[3',4':2,3]imidazo[4,5-g]quinoline-5,12-dione (X = C)

C: 3-Ethoxycarbonyl-2-methyl-1-substituted-pyrrolo[4,5-g]quinoline-4,9-dione

# Synthesis, Characterization and Reactions of 2-Deoxo-5-deazaalloxazines

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#### Antitumor Agents 210. Synthesis and Evaluation of Taxoid– Epipodophyllotoxin Conjugates as Novel Cytotoxic Agents

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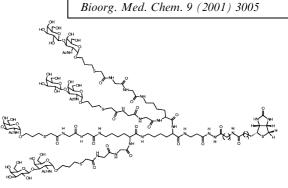
Five compounds composed of a taxoid (paclitaxel or cephalomannine) and a 4'-O-demethyl epipodophyllotoxin derivative joined by an imine linkage were prepared and evaluated as cytotoxic agents and inhibitors of mammalian DNA topoisomerase II. Compounds 12 and 14–16 exhibited comparable or better activity than the unconjugated epipodophyllotoxin derivatives in most tumor cell lines, and 12, 15, and 16 also showed enhanced activity against paclitaxel-resistant cells.

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#### Simultaneous Binding of Mouse Monoclonal Antibody and Streptavidin to Heterobifunctional Dendritic L-Lysine Core Bearing T-Antigen Tumor Marker and Biotin

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### Synthesis and Phosphodiesterase Inhibitory Activity of New

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Sildenafil Analogues Containing a Carboxylic Acid Group in the 5'-Sulfonamide Moiety of a Phenyl Ring

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Synthesis and in vitro PDE activities of new sildenafil analogues possessing a carboxylic acid group in the 5'-sulfonamide of the phenyl ring, 9a-l, are described.

### Modification of Cell Response to Insulin by Membrane-Acting Agents in Rat White Adipocytes: Analysis of Structural Features by Computational Simulation

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The relationship between the effect of membrane-acting agents, biscoclaurine alkaloids (cepharanthine, tetrandrine, isotetrandrine), carbobenzoxy-D-Phe-L-Phe-Gly (z-FFG), tyrphostin AG17 on the insulin-involved fatty acid synthesis and the structural configuration of them were examined.

#### **QSAR Prediction of Toxicity of Nitrobenzenes**

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A QSAR analysis of the toxicities of mono-substituted nitrobenzenes have been carried out using PI, Sz, MRI and J indices. Better results are obtained by using indicator parameters, the most significant being a penta-parametric model.

$$R \sim NO_2$$

## 3-Hydroxy-(4H)-benzopyran-4-ones as Potential Iron Chelating Agents In Vivo

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Design, synthesis and characterization of 3-hydroxy(4H)benzopyran-4-one as iron chelating agent in vitro with preliminary evidence of liver capture from blood circulation and urine excretion in rats are presented.



### Coscinosulfate, a CDC25 Phosphatase Inhibitor from the Sponge Coscinoderma Mathewsi

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# Radiosynthesis of 5-(2-(4-pyridinyl)vinyl)-6-chloro-3-(1-[<sup>11</sup>C] methyl-2-(S)-pyrrolidinylmethoxy)pyridine, a High Affinity Ligand for Studying Nicotinic Acetylcholine Receptors by Positron Emission Tomography

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The radiosynthesis of a potential PET tracer, with a high affinity for nicotinic acetylcholine receptors ( $K_i = 56 \text{ pM}, 37 \,^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), is reported.

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# A Quantitative Structure–Activity Relationship Study on Some HIV-1 Protease Inhibitors Using Molecular Connectivity Index

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Using first-order valence molecular connectivity index,  $^1\chi^{\nu}$ , a quantitative structure–activity relationship (QSAR) study is made on two different series of tetrahydropyrimidinones acting as HIV-1 protease inhibitors and the implications of the correlations are discussed.

Tetrahydropyrimidinones

### Design, Synthesis and Pharmacological Evaluation of 3-Benzylazetidine-2-one-based Human Chymase Inhibitors

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3-Benzylazetidine-2-one derivatives were designed and evaluated as a novel series of chymase inhibitors. Structure–activity relationship studies of 3-benzylazetidine-2-ones led to compounds **23**, which exhibited 3.1 nM inhibition of human chymase and enhancement of stability in human plasma.