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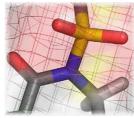
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REVIEW

N-Acyl-N-alkyl-sulfonamide anchors derived from Kenner's safety-catch linker: powerful tools in bioorganic and medicinal chemistry

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Kenner's safety-catch linker evolved over the years into a unique and versatile tool in various chemistry associated disciplines. An overview about linker construct variations, activation methods, applications and technical aspects is given.

ARTICLES

A radial distribution function approach to predict A_{2B} agonist effect of adenosine analogues

pp 601–608

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NH₂

The RDF descriptors have been applied to the study of the A_{2B} agonist effect of adenosine analogues reported with this activity. A model able to describe more than 70% of the variance in the experimental activity was developed with the use of the mentioned approach. In contrast, none of the eleven different approaches was able to explain more than 47% of the variance in the mentioned property.

Synthesis and evaluation of *cis*-hexahydropyrrolo[3,2-*b*]pyrrol-3-one peptidomimetic inhibitors of CAC1 cysteinyl proteinases

pp 609-625

Martin Quibell,* Alex Benn, Nick Flinn, Tracy Monk, Manoj Ramjee, Peter Ray, Yikang Wang and John Watts

Fmoc-protected 5,5-bicyclic intermediates 5 and 6 were prepared through an intramolecular cyclisation of *anti*-epoxide 17. Building block 5 was utilised in a solid phase synthesis and building block 6 in solution syntheses of potent peptidomimetic inhibitors of a range of CAC1 cysteinyl proteinases. Compound 22 was evaluated in vitro as a low nanomolar and selective inhibitor of human cathepsin K that exhibited sub-micromolar activity in a cell-based human osteoclast assay of bone resorption.

An efficient asymmetric synthesis of (S)-atenolol: using hydrolytic kinetic resolution

pp 627-630

D. Subhas Bose* and A. Venkat Narsaiah

Enantioselective synthesis of (S)-atenolol has been described here. The chiral source used is the Jacobsen catalyst (R,R) (salen Co(III)OAc) complex for the resolution of terminal epoxide.

Synthesis and cytotoxicity of new aminoterpenylquinones

pp 631-644

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Several 6(7)-alkyl-2-(alkyl/arylamino)-1,4-naphthoquinones (NQ) have been prepared and evaluated as cytotoxics. Those with p-oxyarylamino substituents were the most potent compounds, showing GI_{50} under μM level.

Novel diterpenoids with potent inhibitory activity against endothelium cell HMEC and cytotoxic activities from a well-known TCM plant *Daphne genkwa*

pp 645-655

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Twelve highly oxygenated novel daphnane-type diterpenoids genkwanines A–L (1–12), together with four known diterpenes (13–16), were isolated from the bud of *Daphne genkwa*, a well-known TCM. The inhibitory activity against endothelium cell HMEC proliferation and cytotoxic activities against two tumor cell lines were assessed for all the compounds 1–16, and found to be significant and structure related.

Polybrominated diphenyl ethers from a sponge of the *Dysidea* genus that inhibit Tie2 kinase

pp 657–659

Ya-ming Xu, Randall K. Johnson and Sidney M. Hecht*

Antileishmanial activity, cytotoxicity and QSAR analysis of synthetic dihydrobenzofuran lignans and related benzofurans

pp 661-669

Sabine Van Miert, Stefaan Van Dyck, Thomas J. Schmidt, Reto Brun, Arnold Vlietinck, Guy Lemière and Luc Pieters*

A synthetic dihydrobenzofuran lignan showed a high activity against chloroquine-resistant *Plasmodium falciparum* (strain K1) (IC₅₀ 0.43 μ g/mL) and *Leishmania donovani* (axenic amastigotes) (IC₅₀ 0.12 μ g/mL), which was confirmed in an infected macrophage assay (IC₅₀ 0.19 μ g/mL).



A structure-taste study of arylsulfonyl(cyclo)alkanecarboxylic acids

pp 671-675

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$$R_{3}$$
 R_{4} R_{3} R_{4} R_{3} R_{4} R_{3} R_{4} R_{4} R_{3} R_{4} R_{4} R_{4} R_{5} R_{4} R_{5} R_{4} R_{5} R_{4} R_{5} R_{4} R_{5} R_{4} R_{5} R_{5

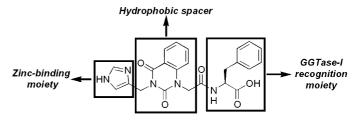
A structure-taste study of arylsulfonyl(cyclo)alkanecarboxylic acids is reported.

Design, synthesis, and evaluation of potent and selective benzoyleneurea-based inhibitors of protein geranylgranyltransferase-I

pp 677-688

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Using a benzoyleneurea scaffold as a mimetic for the central dipeptide (AA), CAAX peptidomimetic inhibitors that selectively block the activity of PGGTase-I over PFTase were synthesized. In this series, compound 6c containing a L-phenylalanine moiety displayed the highest inhibition activity against PGGTase-I (IC₅₀ = 170 nM). These PGGTase-I inhibitors represent novel and promising leads for the development of potent inhibitors of mammalian PGGTase-I as antitumor agents.



Synthesis, biological evaluation, and molecular modeling of novel thioacridone derivatives related to the anticancer alkaloid acronycine

pp 689-698

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Structure identification and prophylactic antimalarial efficacy of 2-guanidinoimidazolidinedione derivatives

pp 699-704

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$$R = CH_2CH_3, C(CH_3)_3, CH_2CH(CH_3)_2$$

2-Aryl-8-chloro-1,2,4-triazolo[1,5-a]quinoxalin-4-amines as highly potent A_1 and A_3 adenosine receptor antagonists

pp 705–715

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The synthesis and bA₁, bA_{2A}, and hA₃ adenosine receptor binding affinity of some 2-phenyl-1,2,4-triazolo[1,5-*a*]-quinoxaline derivatives **2–18** bearing different substituents on either the 4-amino moiety (acyl or carbamoyl groups) or the 2-phenyl ring (4-OCH₃) of previously reported 8-chloro-2-phenyl-1,2,4-triazolo[1,5-*a*]quinoxalin-4-amine (1), are described. Structure–activity relationships have been explained analyzing the three-dimensional structure of the antagonist-A₃ receptor models obtained by molecular docking simulation.

Synthesis and structure–activity relationships of 6-{4-[(3-fluorobenzyl)oxy]phenoxy}-nicotinamide derivatives as a novel class of NCX inhibitors: a QSAR study

pp 717-724

Takahiro Kuramochi,* Akio Kakefuda, Ippei Sato, Issei Tsukamoto, Taku Taguchi and Shuichi Sakamoto

A series of 6-{4-[(3-fluorobenzyl)oxy]phenoxy}nicotinamide derivatives were prepared, and their inhibitory activities against the reverse and forward modes of the sodium–calcium exchanger were evaluated. The structure–activity relationships for these compounds are discussed, and the results of a QSAR study are presented.

Synthesis and structure-activity relationships of benzyloxyphenyl derivatives as a novel class of NCX inhibitors: effects on heart failure

pp 725-734

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A series of benzyloxyphenyl derivatives were prepared, and their inhibitory activities against the reverse and forward modes of the sodium–calcium exchanger (NCX) were evaluated. The structure–activity relationships of these compounds are discussed. 6-{4-[(3-Fluorobenzyl)oxy]phenoxy}-N-(pyridin-4-ylmethyl)nicotinamide was further evaluated for its effects in a heart failure model.

Synthesis and in vivo biodistribution of BPA-Gd-DTPA complex as a potential MRI contrast carrier for neutron capture therapy

pp 735-743

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Synthesis and in vitro evaluation of new benzovesamicol analogues as potential imaging probes for the vesicular acetylcholine transporter

pp 745-753

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Four sets of enantiomeric derivatives of benzovesamicol were synthesized and their binding affinities for the VAChT determined in vitro. The high affinity of the fluorinated (5-FPOBV) and the iodinated (5-AOIBV) derivatives make them potential PET or SPECT radiotracers.

Cyclic sulfamide HIV-1 protease inhibitors, with sidechains spanning from P2/P2' to P1/P1'

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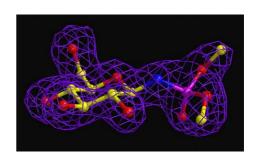


Binding of β -D-glucopyranosyl bismethoxyphosphoramidate to glycogen phosphorylase b: kinetic and crystallographic studies

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 β -D-Glucopyranosyl bismethoxyphosphoramidate, a glucosyl phosphate analogue, was tested for inhibition of and binding to glycogen phosphorylase b. The structural basis of inhibition is presented by analysing the crystal structure of the enzyme in complex with the inhibitor at 1.83 Å resolution.



Design, synthesis, and evaluation of novel bifunctional iron-chelators as potential agents for neuroprotection in Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, and other neurodegenerative diseases

pp 773–783

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Several novel antioxidant iron chelators bearing 8-hydroxyoxyquinoline moiety were synthesized, and their various properties related to neuroprotective action were investigated.



Synthesis and biological activity of sulphostin analogues, novel dipeptidyl peptidase IV inhibitors

pp 785-797

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The required structure of sulphostin analogues for the dipeptidyl peptidase IV inhibitory activity. n = 1-3, R = H or SO₃H; Sulphostin: n = 2, R = SO₃H.

Design of novel nicotinic ligands through 3D database searching

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$$R = H, CH_3$$



Design, synthesis and photobiological properties of 3,4-cyclopentenepsoralens

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 $R = OCH_3$, OH, $O(CH_2)_3N(CH_3)_2$

The QSAR directed synthesis of new cyclopentenepsoralens is reported. The derivative carrying the dimethylaminopropoxy side chain (5) exerted a noticeable photoantiproliferative activity, in agreement with the calculated posterior probability. The study of the photobiological properties evidenced the absence of skin phototoxicity and the ability to photoadd covalently to DNA.

Synthesis, antitumour activity and structure–activity relationships of 5H-benzo[b]carbazoles

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$$R_1 = H, COOCH_3, CH_2N(CH_3)_2, CONH(CH_2)_2N(CH_3)_2 + HCI$$

$$R_2 = H, OH, OCH_3, OCOCH_3 \qquad R_3 = alkyl, benzyl$$

$$R_2 = R_1 \qquad C$$

$$R_3 = R_1 \qquad C$$

$$R_3 = alkyl, benzyl$$

$$R_4 \qquad C$$

$$R_3 = alkyl, benzyl$$

Concise syntheses of arabinogalactans with β -(1 \rightarrow 6)-linked galactopyranose backbones and α -(1 \rightarrow 3)- and α -(1 \rightarrow 2)-linked arabinofuranose side chains

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Discovery of 1,7-cyclized indoles as a new class of potent and highly selective human β_3 -adrenergic receptor agonists with high cell permeability

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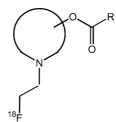
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The synthesis and biological evaluation of a series of 1,7-cyclized indole-based human β_3 -adrenergic receptor (AR) agonists are described. SAR studies showed that the size of the 1,7-linker portion significantly affected subtype selectivity for the β_3 -AR. An unsaturated eight-membered ring analogue **26** exhibited potent agonistic activity and extremely high selectivity for human β_3 -AR.

Evaluation of ¹⁸F-labeled acetylcholinesterase substrates as PET radiotracers

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A series of ¹⁸F-labeled PMP analogs was evaluated in vivo as AChE substrates for PET imaging.

Amino substituted derivatives of 5'-amino-5'-deoxy-5'-noraristeromycin

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N-Oxide analogs of WAY-100635: new high affinity 5-HT_{1A} receptor antagonists

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Selective inhibitors of GABA uptake: synthesis and molecular pharmacology of 4-N-methylamino-4,5,6,7-tetrahydrobenzo[d]isoxazol-3-ol analogues

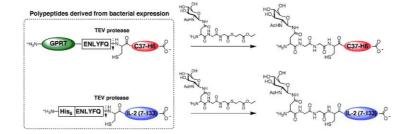
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A new strategy for glycoprotein synthesis: ligation of synthetic glycopeptides with truncated proteins expressed in *E. coli* as TEV protease cleavable fusion protein

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