

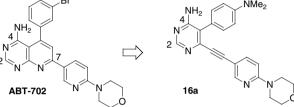
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Compstatin is a 13-residue cyclic peptide inhibitor of complement activation that was originally identified through phage-mediated presentation of a peptide library to C3b. Recent efforts to improve its activity have led to a rich dataset of complement analogs, with the most active analog being ~260 times more active than the parent compstatin. In the present work, a highly transparent quantitative structure–activity relationship model ( $R_{\rm adj}^2 = 0.89$ ) with four parameters is presented that captures important physico-chemical and geometrical properties of the analog molecules with regard to activity. The number of aromatic bonds and hydrophobicity of the fourth residue of compstatin correlated strongly with activity. Also important were the size of the hydrophobic patch near the disulfide bond and the solvent-accessible surface area occupied by nitrogen atoms of basic amino acid residues.

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Derivatives of pyrido[2,3-d]pyrimidines are studied as novel compounds with anticancer activity based on proapoptotic mechanisms. The data indicate that the selected compound is a potent anticancer drug showing dose-dependent cytostatic and proapoptotic effects through activation of two different signaling pathways namely a pathway leading to cell cycle arrest and a transcription-independent route leading to rapid apoptosis.



#### Synthesis and cytotoxic evaluation of C-9 oxidized podophyllotoxin derivatives

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Ma Angeles Castro,\* José M. Miguel del Corral, Marina Gordaliza, Pablo A. García, Ma Antonia Gómez-Zurita and Arturo San Feliciano

A series of cyclolignans oxidized at C-9 position has been prepared from the cytotoxic and selective podophyllic aldehyde. The functionalities considered at C-9 were carboxylic acids and several derivatives such as anhydrides, esters, nitriles or amides.

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An analog of endomorphin-1, designed by combining successful chemical modifications, was proved to show improved metabolic stability and produce analgesia after peripheral administration.

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R = structurally diverse substituents, such as alkyl, alkenyl, benzyl, aryl, heterocyclic moiety, etc.

### Design, synthesis, and evaluation of 2-aryl-3-heteroaryl-1,3-thiazolidin-4-ones as anti-HIV agents

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$$R_1$$
 $N$ 
 $N$ 
 $R_2$ 
 $R_3$ 

Compounds 1-15

In the present study, 2-aryl-3-heteroaryl-1,3-thiazolidin-4-ones have been assembled by reflux protocol three component reaction of amine, aldehyde and mercapto acetic acid and tested as HIV-RT inhibitors.

### Synthesis of furopyrazole analogs of 1-benzyl-3-(5-hydroxymethyl-2-furyl)indazole (YC-1) as novel anti-leukemia agents

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As part of our continuing search for potential anticancer drug candidates in YC-1 analogs, several 1-benzyl-3-(substituted aryl)-5-methylfuro[3,2-c]pyrazoles were synthesized and evaluated for their cytotoxicity against HL-60 cell line. Among these compounds, 1-benzyl-3-(5-hydroxymethyl-2-furyl)-5-methylfuro[3,2c]pyrazole (1) showed more potency than YC-1. Through investigation of action mechanism, it was found that compound 1 induced terminal differentiation of HL-60 cells toward granulocyte lineage and promoted HL-60 cell differentiation by regulation of Bcl-2 and c-Myc proteins. Meanwhile, compound 1 also demonstrated apoptosis-inducing effect. Such anti-leukemia mechanism of action is apparently different from that of YC-1 which mainly works by inducing apoptosis, but not cell differentiation. Therefore, compound 1 is identified here as a new lead compound of cell differentiating agent and apoptosis inducer for further development of new anti-leukemia agents.

#### The synthesis of amphipathic prodrugs of 1,2-diol drugs with saccharide conjugates by high regioselective enzymatic protocol

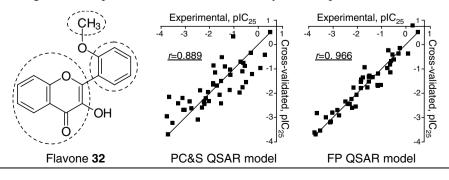
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Jing Quan, Zhichun Chen, Chengyou Han and Xianfu Lin\*

A facile, regioselective enzymatic synthesis procedure for the preparation of a series of amphipathic drug-saccharide derivatives of mephenesin and chlorphenesin was developed by two step sequential acylation.

#### Improved quantitative structure–activity relationship models to predict antioxidant activity of flavonoids pp 1749–1770 in chemical, enzymatic, and cellular systems

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### Synthesis of the 5-phosphono-pent-2-en-1-yl nucleosides: A new class of antiviral acyclic nucleoside phosphonates

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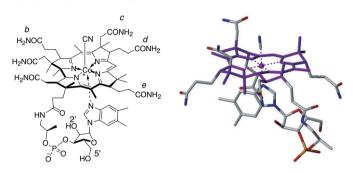
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Hexadecyloxypropyl 1-(5-phosphono-pent-2-en-1-yl)-thymine was the most active and selective compound among the synthesized nucleotides with an EC<sub>50</sub> value of  $0.90~\mu M$  against HSV-1.

### Cyanocobalamin (vitamin B<sub>12</sub>) conjugates with enhanced solubility

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# Synthesis and antioxidant activity evaluation of new 7-aryl or 7-heteroarylamino-2,3-dimethylbenzo[b]thiophenes obtained by Buchwald–Hartwig C-N cross-coupling

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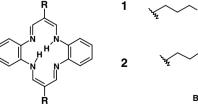
7-aryl or 7-heteroarylamino-2,3-dimethylbenzo[b]thiophenes were prepared by Buchwald–Hartwig coupling and their antioxidant properties were evaluated by several methods.

### The dicationic derivatives of DBTAA: Interactions with DNA/RNA and antiproliferative effects on human cell lines

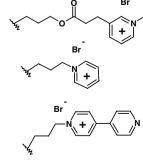
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Jaya Prabhakaran, Mark D. Underwood, Ramin V. Parsey, Victoria Arango, Vattoly J. Majo, Norman R. Simpson, Ronald Van Heertum, J. John Mann and J. S. Dileep Kumar\*

# Preparation of 5-aryl-3-alkylthio-1,2,4-triazoles and corresponding sulfones with antiinflammatory-analgesic activity

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i: 1.KOH 10%; 2. HCl; ii: CH<sub>3</sub>-/C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>l in 1 M NaOH; 64-93%; iii: KMnO<sub>4</sub> in AcOH, 20 °C; 22-94%

A series of 5-aryl-3-alkylthio-1,2,4-triazoles (1a-5b) and corresponding sulfones (6-15) were prepared. The compounds were evaluated for their antiinflammatory and analysis activity as well as the ulcerogenic risk and acute toxicity.

#### Synthesis and antitumor evaluation of a novel series of triaminotriazine derivatives

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Mingfang Zheng, Chenghui Xu, Jianwei Ma, Yan Sun, Feifei Du, Hong Liu,\* Liping Lin,\* Chuan Li, Jian Ding, Kaixian Chen and Hualiang Jiang\*

By structural modification of the screening hit (4,6-bis(N-morpholino)-[1,3,5]triazin-2-yl)-phenylamine (**5a**), four compounds exhibited higher inhibition activities against HCT-116 with IC<sub>50</sub> values below 5  $\mu$ M. Compounds **6l** and **6o** were most prominent against HCT-116, with IC<sub>50</sub>s of 0.76 and 0.92  $\mu$ M, respectively.

# Synthesis and evaluation of N-3 substituted phenoxypropyl piperidine benzimidazol-2-one analogues as pp 1828–1847 NOP receptor agonists with analgesic and sedative properties

Ronald Palin,\* Anton Bom, John K. Clark, Louise Evans, Helen Feilden, Andrea K. Houghton, Philip S. Jones, Brian Montgomery, Mark A. Weston and Grant Wishart

A series of N-3 substituted phenoxypropyl piperidine benzimidazol-2-one analogues were prepared and evaluated as NOP agonists. The selective NOP agonist (+)-7f showed antinociceptive properties in the mouse formalin paw test (ED $_{50}$  = 1.03 µmol/kg, for second phase) and potent anaesthetic activity in the LRR assay.

### Specific interactions with intra- and intermolecular G-quadruplex DNA structures by hydrosoluble coronene derivatives: A new class of telomerase inhibitors

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Marco Franceschin,\* Antonello Alvino, Valentina Casagrande, Clementina Mauriello, Emanuela Pascucci, Maria Savino, Giancarlo Ortaggi and Armandodoriano Bianco

A new class of G-quadruplex telomere targeting agents and telomerase inhibitors based on the coronene moiety is hereby reported.

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#### Synthesis and in vitro antitumoral activity of new 3,5-dicyanopyridine derivatives

Maria T. Cocco, Cenzo Congiu, Valentina Lilliu and Valentina Onnis\*

3,5-Dicyanopyridine derivatives demonstrated inhibitory effects on the growth of a wide range of cancer cell lines generally at  $10^{-6}$  M level and in some cases at  $10^{-8}$  M concentration.

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