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Synthesis of xanthone derivatives with extended π -systems as α -glucosidase inhibitors: Insight into the probable binding mode

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A series of novel benzoxanthones and their structurally perturbed analogs were synthesized and evaluated as α -glucosidase inhibitors. These compounds exhibited strong inhibitory activities, most probably as a result of the cooperative π -stacking and H-bonding interactions with yeast's α -glucosidase.

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$$R_2$$
 O OH R_2 O OH R_1 R_2 OH R_2 OH R_3 OH R_4 OH R_5 OH R_6 OH R_7 OH R_8 OH

Novel 1-oxyl-2-substitutedphenyl-4,4,5,5-tetramethylimidazolines: Synthesis, selectively analgesic action, and QSAR analysis

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Synthetic route to compounds 3a-t

Twenty novel 1-oxyl-2-substitutedphenyl-4,4,5,5-tetramethylimidazolines (3a-t) were synthesized and characterized as analgesic agents. The preparation, in vivo evaluation, and QSAR analysis of 3a-t were reported.

Free radical trapping properties of several ethyl-substituted derivatives of 5-ethoxycarbonyl-5-methyl-1-pyrroline *N*-oxide (EMPO)

pp 2827-2836

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Synthesis and spin trapping properties of a series of EMPO-derived nitrones are reported.

Identification of antitumour activity of novel derivatives of 8-aryl-2,6,7,8-tetrahydroimidazo[2,1-c]-[1,2,4|triazine-3,4-dione and 8-aryl-4-imino-2,3,7,8-tetrahydroimidazo[2,1-c][1,2,4|triazin-3(6H)-one

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The series of 8-aryl-2,6,7,8-tetrahydroimidazo[2,1-c][1,2,4]triazine-3,4-diones (11–20) and 8-aryl-4-imino-2,3,7,8-tetrahydroimidazo[2,1-c][1,2,4]triazin-3(6H)-ones (21–25) were designed and their in vitro cytotoxic activities against human LS180, HeLa, T47D, A549 and RPMI 8226 carcinoma cells are presented. Among them compound 19 revealed a strong affection to LS180 cancer cell line and the efficiency for DNA strand breakage of the examined cancer cell lines. Moreover, imidazotriazin-3,4-dione 20 was able to cause significant viability decreases in human RPMI 8226 peripheral blood myeloma cells. Compound 22 has exhibited remarkable inhibitory effects against LS180 and A549 carcinoma cells, whereas 24 revealed the highest growth inhibition against A549 cell line. Furthermore, the cytotoxic and antibacterial properties of tautomeric 1-aryl-2-hydrazonoimidazolidines (1–6 and 8–9), used as building blocks and intermediates in the synthesis of the title classes of compounds are presented. Six of them (1–2, 4–6 and 9) revealed significant antibacterial activities with MIC values in the range of 15.0–78.6 μ M. Their activities were compared with those of ampicillin and chloramphenicol.

Computational approach to the basicity of a series of α 1-adrenoceptor ligands in aqueous solution

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The figure illustrates some of the α 1-adrenoceptor ligands object of this study. Their p K_a has been theoretically computed at B3LYP/6-31G* level and the experimental p K_a for some of them has been measured by us.

Antimalarial activity of 1-aryl-3,3-dialkyltriazenes

pp 2856-2859

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The antimalarial activity of 1-aryl-3,3-dialkyltriazenes to *Plasmodium berghei* NK-65 in infected mice was evaluated at an intraperitoneal dose of 100 mg/kgbw. Some of these compounds were found to possess potent antimalarial activity.

Short-chain 3-ketoceramides, strong apoptosis inducers against human leukemia HL-60 cells

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O
NHAc
A:
$$R^1 = H$$
, $R^2 = C_{13}H_{27}$
B: $R^1 = H$, $R^2 = CH = CHC_{11}H_{23}$
C: $R^1 = Me$, $R^2 = C_{13}H_{27}$

Three short-chain 3-ketoceramides (compounds A, B, and C) were synthesized and their apoptotic activity against human leukemia HL-60 cells was evaluated.

Synthesis and biology of bis-xylosylated dihydroxynaphthalenes

Richard Johnsson, Katrin Mani and Ulf Ellervik*

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Cyathane diterpenes from Sarcodon cyrneus and evaluation of their activities of neuritegenesis and nerve growth factor production

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Two new cyathane diterpenes, cyrneine C (4) and D (5), were isolated from the mushroom *Sarcodon cyrneus*, along with previously isolated cyrneine A, B and glaucopine C. The structures of the novel diterpenoids were determined by the analysis of spectroscopic data. Effects of the cyrneines and glaucopine C on the NGF gene expression in 1321N1 cells were evaluated.

1-(5-Carboxy- and 5-carbamoylindol-1-yl)propan-2-ones as inhibitors of human cytosolic phospholipase $A_2\alpha$: Bioisosteric replacement of the carboxylic acid and carboxamide moiety

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Hybrid molecules of estrone: New compounds with potential antibacterial, antifungal, and antiproliferative activities

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Antibacterial, antifungal, antiproliferative, and cytotoxic activities of series of hybrid molecules of estrone were evaluated and some structure–activity relationships were found. Presence of charge in the molecule seemed to be important for the activity.

Novel class of arylpiperazines containing N-acylated amino acids: Their synthesis, $5-HT_{1A}$, $5-HT_{2A}$ receptor affinity, and in vivo pharmacological evaluation

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Clavaminols A-F, novel cytotoxic 2-amino-3-alkanols from the ascidian Clavelina phlegraea

 $R^1 = o\text{-}OCH_3$, m-Cl

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Clavaminols A–F (compounds 1–6) were isolated from the Mediterranean ascidian *Clavelina phlegraea*. Compound 1 was shown to be a cytotoxic compound inducing cell death through activation of the apoptotic machinery.

Quantitative structure-activity relationship of sesquiterpene lactones with cytotoxic activity

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We investigate a set of 37 different sesquiterpene lactones representing 4 skeletons (14 germacranolides, 6 elemanolides, 9 guaianolides and 8 pseudoguaianolides) for their antitumoral properties and the results were submitted to a QSAR study.



Structure-activity based study of the Smac-binding pocket within the BIR3 domain of XIAP

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A small series of peptide mimics was designed and synthesized to contain a heterocyclic ring in place of the potentially labile N-terminal peptide bond of the tetrapeptide containing the Smac-XIAP-binding motif. The structure–activity relationship between the peptide mimics and XIAP was analyzed in detail. Image shows a surface representation of one peptide mimic, 'AoxSPW', bound to the BIR3 domain of XIAP.

The use of aminoglycoside derivatives to study the mechanism of aminoglycoside 6'-N-acetyltransferase pp 2944–2951 and the role of 6'-NH₂ in antibacterial activity

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A chromone analog inhibits TNF- α induced expression of cell adhesion molecules on human endothelial cells via blocking NF- κB activation

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Synthesis and activity studies of analogues of the rat selective toxicant norbormide

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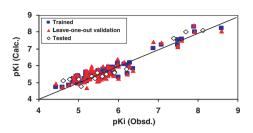
A series of NRB-related analogues were prepared to investigate the structural features responsible for, and the in vitro biological markers indicative of, in vivo lethality of the parent molecule in rats.

Computational neural network analysis of the affinity of lobeline and tetrabenazine analogs for the vesicular monoamine transporter-2

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Partial least square regression and neural network approaches were used to build linear and nonlinear QSAR models based on a set of 104 tetrabenazine and lobeline analogs that are ligands for the vesicular monoamine transporter-2 (VMAT2). It was demonstrated that a fully interconnected three-layer neural network model trained with the back-propagation procedure could learn the correct relationship between a set of relevant molecular descriptors of the compounds and their $\log(1/K_i)$ values for VMAT2 better than the partial least squares approach.



A conformational transition in the adenylyl cyclase catalytic site yields different binding modes for ribosyl-modified and unmodified nucleotide inhibitors

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A COMBINE-based QSAR model of ribose-substituted nucleotides bound to adenylyl cyclase generated herein correlates well with measured pK_i values, and suggests that ribose substituents may induce a receptor conformational shift.



Chemical synthesis and biological activities of 16α -derivatives of 5α -androstane- 3α , 17β -diol as antiandrogens

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Synthesis and recognition of novel isonucleoside triphosphates by DNA polymerases

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Isonucleoside triphosphates **2** and **6** can be incorporated as substrates into the primer at 3' terminus to lengthen the chain on a DNA template by Vent(exo⁻) and DeepVent(exo⁻) DNA polymerases.

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Substitution at the 8-position of 3"-deoxy-cyclic ADP-carbocyclic-ribose, a highly potent Ca²⁺-mobilizing agent, provides partial agonists

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Synthesis of a novel C2-aryl pyrrolo[2,1-c][1,4]benzodiazepine-5,11-dione library: Effect of C2-aryl substitution on cytotoxicity and non-covalent DNA binding

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A 23-member C2-aryl pyrrolo[2,1-c][1,4]benzodiazepine-5,11-dione (PBD dilactam) library has been synthesized using Suzuki coupling, and the effect of base upon racemisation at the C11a-position during the cross-coupling reaction studied. Three library members (21, 30 and 33) were sufficiently cytotoxic in the NCI's preliminary screen to warrant further evaluation, and one (30, R = p-Br) was found to be cytotoxic at the sub-micromolar level in the A498 renal cancer cell line. DNA thermal denaturation studies suggested that this activity may be associated with non-covalent DNA interaction, and also demonstrated that introduction of C2–C3 unsaturation and addition of C2-aryl functionalities to the PBD dilactam skeleton significantly enhanced helix stabilisation compared to the unsubstituted PBD dilactam (6).

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Synthesis and characterization of some new bromo-quionazolin-4-one derivatives which have been found to possess antiinflammatory and analgesic activities. The most active compound is **21**. It shows better anti-inflammatory and analgesic activities at the does of 100 mg/kg po.

Cytochrome P-450 model reactions: Efficient and highly selective oxidation of alcohols with tetrabutylammonium peroxymonosulfate catalyzed by Mn-porphyrins

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OH Bu₄NHSO₅/CH₃CN
$$R^2$$
 $Mn(TPP)OAc/Py$ r.t. $S-20 \min$ $80-100\%$

R¹= Aryl, Allyl, Alkyl R²= H, Aryl, Alkyl

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