



Corrigendum

Corrigendum to “Fluorinated methylenecyclopropane analogues of nucleosides. Synthesis and antiviral activity of (Z)- and (E)-9-[[2-fluoromethyl-2-hydroxymethyl)-cyclopropylidene]methyl]adenine and -guanine” [Bioorg. Med. Chem. 16 (2008) 2148–2155]

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The following items should be corrected:

Page 2151, Table 3: Results for drugs **15a**, **15b**, **16a**, and **16b** could not be repeated and an amended Table 3 is given below.

Page 2148, Abstract line 5: the sentence “The adenine Z-isomer **15a** was found to be a potent inhibitor of Epstein–Barr virus (EBV) in vitro with EC₅₀/CC₅₀ (μM) 0.5/55.7.” should be deleted.

Table 3

Inhibition of replication of EBV with fluoromethyl methylenecyclopropane nucleoside analogs^a

Compound	EC ₅₀ /CC ₅₀ (μM) ^b	Selectivity index
2b	0.22/>45 ^c	>205
5a	6.8/>213	>31.3
5b	8.0/>199	>24.9
6a	167/>209 ^d	>1.25
6b	29.1/>199 ^e	>6.8
15a	>20/24	<1.2
15b	>20/26	<1.3
16a	>20/96	<4.8
16b	69/82	1.2

^a Akata cells, DNA hybridization assay. Acyclovir as a control had EC₅₀ 3.1 μM.

^b Results for analogues **5a–6b** were taken from Ref. 7 (DNA hybridization assay in Daudi cells).

^c Data from Ref. 22.

^d EC₅₀ 2.3 μM in viral capsid immunofluorescence (VCA) ELISA and 3.6 μM in Daudi cells (DNA hybridization).

^e EC₅₀ < 0.32 μM in VCA ELISA.

Page 2148, Abstract line 6: the sentence “Compounds **15b**, **16a**, and **16b** were also active but at higher concentrations, EC₅₀/CC₅₀ (μM) 3.2–7.5/53.6–64.1.” should read “Compounds **15a**, **15b**, **16a**, and **16b** were not active against Epstein–Barr virus (EBV).”

Page 2150–51, Section 2.3, lines 7–23: the text reading “They were all effective against EBV in Akata cells using a DNA hybridization assay.²² The adenine analogue **15a** was the most potent (Table 3) and least cytotoxic. It was more effective than cyclopropavir (**2b**). The *E*-isomer **16a** and guanine derivatives **15b** and **16b** were less effective than **15a**. Interestingly, a somewhat similar anti-EBV activity pattern was found with *Z*- and *E*-isomers of fluoroanalogues **5a**, **5b**, **6a**, and **6b** which can be regarded as lower homologues of **15a**, **15b**, **16a**, and **16b**. However, an exact comparison is not possible because of the differences in assays. In the series of fluoroanalogues **7–12** only adenine *Z*-isomer⁸ **9a** was effective against EBV. It is likely that the mechanism of anti-EBV action of analogues **15a**, **15b**, **16a**, and **16b** includes their phosphorylation to triphosphates which then inhibit the viral DNA polymerase as suggested for other fluorinated methylenecyclopropane analogues.^{7,8}” should read “None of these analogues exhibited antiviral activity against EBV that could be separated from their cytotoxicity.”

Page 2151, Section 3, line 3: the sentence “All analogues were inhibitors of replication of EBV in Akata cells with adenine derivative **15a** being the most potent with EC₅₀/CC₅₀ (μM) 0.5/55.7.” should be deleted.

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