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Synthesis of 2,6-diaryl-substituted pyridines and their antitumor activities

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For the development of novel antitumor agents, we designed and synthesized 2,6-diaryl-substituted pyridine derivatives bearing three aryl groups, which are the bioisosteres of terpyridine, and evaluated their biological activities. Most of the 18 prepared compounds showed moderate cytotoxicity against several human cancer cell lines. From the structure—activity relationships we may conclude that the number of aryl groups employed would be critical for their biological activities.

$$\alpha$$
-Terpyridine

R¹ N R

Bioisosteres of terpyridine R¹, R²: phenyl, furyl, thienyl or pyridyl

Synthesis and in vitro antibacterial activities of novel oxazolidinones

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Brijesh Kumar Srivastava*, Mukul R. Jain, Manish Solanki, Rina Soni, Darshan Valani, Sunil Gupta, Bhupendra Mishra, Vijay Takale, Prashant Kapadnis, Harilal Patel, Purvi Pandya, Jayendra Z. Patel and Pankaj R. Patel

A number of novel piperazinylaryloxazolidinones possessing heteroaryl groups have been synthesized and their antibacterial activities were evaluated by MIC assay.

$Synthesis, \ computational \ study \ and \ cytotoxic \ activity \ of \ new \ 4-hydroxy coumarin \ derivatives$

pp. 694-706

Stancho Stanchev, Georgi Momekov, Frank Jensen and Ilia Manolov*

Six new coumarin derivatives have been synthesized. Their structure and properties are studied by computational method. They are tested for in vitro cytotoxic activity. The most active is ethyl 2-[(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)(4-hydroxy-2-oxo-2*H*-chromen-3-yl)methyl]-3-oxobutanoate (**SS-16**).

Synthesis, physicochemical properties and antimicrobial evaluation of new (E)-chalcones

pp. 707-713

Z. Nowakowska*, B. Kędzia and G. Schroeder

A series of 40 substituted chalcones have been synthesized and tested for their in vitro antibacterial and antifungal activities.

QSPR modeling of octanol/water partition coefficient for vitamins by optimal descriptors calculated with SMILES

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A.A. Toropov*, A.P. Toropova and I. Raska, Jr.

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \text{Vitamin} & \longrightarrow & \text{SMILES} \\ \text{SMILES} & \longrightarrow & \text{Descriptor} \\ \\ \log P_{\text{ow}} & = & C_0 & + & C_1 \cdot & \text{Descriptor} \\ \end{array}$$

Preparation and characterization of technetium and rhenium tricarbonyl complexes bearing the 4-nitrobenzyl moiety as potential bioreductive diagnostic radiopharmaceuticals. *In vitro* and *in vivo* studies

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Javier Giglio, Georgios Patsis, Ioannis Pirmettis, Minas Papadopoulos, Catherine Raptopoulou, Maria Pelecanou, Elsa León, Mercedes González, Hugo Cerecetto and Ana Rey*

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Synthesis and anticonvulsant activity of some novel 3-aryl amino/amino-4-aryl-5-imino- Δ^2 -1,2,4-thiadiazoline

pp. 749-754

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A series of 3-aryl amino/amino-4-aryl-5-imino- Δ^2 -1,2,4-thiadiazoline have been synthesized and evaluated for anticonvulsant activity and neurotoxicity by maximal electroshock induced seizures (MES) and subcutaneous pentylenetetrazole (ScPTZ) induced seizure models in mice. Almost all compounds showed protection against MES induced seizures whereas only **3b** was found to be active in ScPTZ test.

$$Ar \longrightarrow NH \longrightarrow N+S$$

Synthesis and antiproliferative activities of isoindigo and azaisoindigo derivatives

Fadoua Bouchikhi, Fabrice Anizon and Pascale Moreau*

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Acetylated glycosyl-isoindigos and 7'-azaisoindigos

Synthesis and in vivo anti-mutagenic activity of novel melatonin derivatives

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The purpose of this study was to evaluate the anti-mutagenic activity of the novel synthesized indole derivatives 2, 4a, and 8 in albino male mice in comparison with the parent melatonin. Efficacy of melatonin and its derivatives to influence cyclophosphamide (CP)-induced genotoxicity was tested using micronuclei (MN) formation in the bone marrow cells and determination of DNA, RNA and protein levels as well as cholinesterase and peroxidase activities in several organs of male mice. The present study suggests that compounds 4a, 8 and melatonin were able to reduce the mutagenicity effect of CP in male mice. The ability of compounds 4a, 8 and melatonin to reduce CP-related genotoxicity is possibly attributed to their antioxidant activity.

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Synthesis of N-aryl-5-amino-4-cyanopyrazole derivatives as potent xanthine oxidase inhibitors

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Towards predictive inhibitor design for the EGFR autophosphorylation activity

pp. 781-791

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In this study, a new alternative route is presented to control the aberrant EGFR by blocking the autophosphorylation activity. Based on 3D-QSAR studies the attachment of a bulky group on C-ring along with an electronegative group on B-ring and a hydrogen-bond donor on methyl formate opens a new avenue towards the optimization of novel chemical entities to develop potent inhibitors for EGFR autophosphorylation. The predictive power of this model stems from good validations obtained by predictive r^2 and complementary docking.

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Epimers of bicyclo[2.2.2]octan-2-ol derivatives with antiprotozoal activity

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Christian Schlapper, Werner Seebacher, Marcel Kaiser, Reto Brun, Robert Saf and Robert Weis*

Epimerization of compounds with antiplasmodial and antitrypanosomal activity.

Synthesis, antimicrobial and anti-inflammatory activities of some 1,2,4-triazolo[3,4-b][1,3,4]thiadiazoles and 1,2,4-triazolo[3,4-b][1,3,4]thiadiazines bearing trichlorophenyl moiety

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A series of 6-(substituted aryl)-3-(2,3,5-trichlorophenyl)-[1,2,4]triazolo[3,4-b][1,3,4] thiadiazoles ($7\mathbf{a}$ – \mathbf{j}) and 6-(substituted aryl)-3-(2,3,5-trichlorophenyl)-7H-[1,2,4]triazolo [3,4-b][1,3,4]thiadiazines ($8\mathbf{a}$ – \mathbf{g}) have been synthesized by condensing the triazole ($\mathbf{6}$) with various aromatic acids in presence of POCl₃, and with various substituted phenacyl bromides. All the synthesized compounds have been screened for their antimicrobial and anti-inflammatory activities. Some of the compounds exhibited promising antimicrobial activities and moderate to good anti-inflammatory activity.

Cyclic nucleotide phosphodiesterase type 4 inhibitors: Evaluation of pyrazolo[1,5-a]-1,3,5-triazine ring system as an adenine bioisostere

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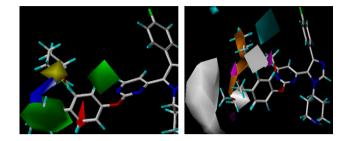
Some derivatives belonging to the series of pyrazolo[1,5-a]-1,3,5 triazines act as adenine bioisosteres and present potent and selective PDE4 inhibitory properties.

Molecular modeling studies of phenoxypyrimidinyl imidazoles as p38 kinase inhibitors using QSAR and docking

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A series of p38 kinase inhibitors of phenoxypyrimidinyl imidazole analogues were studied with molecular docking and 3D-QSAR approaches to get the insight of structural requirements for better enzyme inhibition.



Design, synthesis and antiproliferative activity of some 3-benzylidene-2,3-dihydro-1-benzopyran-4-ones which display selective toxicity for malignant cells

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The differences in cytotoxicity between series 1 and 2 are likely influenced by variation in physicochemical properties. Series 1 displayed greater cytotoxicity towards certain neoplasms than various normal cells.

Synthesis of novel 4,6-disubstituted quinazoline derivatives, their anti-inflammatory and anti-cancer activity (cytotoxic) against U937 leukemia cell lines

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A series of novel quinazoline derivatives have been synthesized and subjected to anti-inflammatory and anti-cancer (cytotoxic) activities. Compounds **6i** and **6k** showed promising anti-cancer activity.

Synthesis, properties and photodynamic inactivation of \textit{Escherichia coli} by novel cationic fullerene C_{60} derivatives

pp. 853-861

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Dicationic fullerene derivative, DTC_{60}^{2+} , bearing the two charged groups on a side of the C_{60} sphere, is an interesting agent with potential applications in photodynamic inactivation of bacteria.

Schiff base transition metal complexes as novel inhibitors of xanthine oxidase

Zhong-Lu You, Da-Hua Shi, Chen Xu, Qiang Zhang and Hai-Liang Zhu*

Twenty transition metal complexes with Schiff bases were evaluated for their inhibitory activities on xanthine oxidase (XO), of which 11 were newly synthesized and characterized by X-ray single crystal diffraction. It was found that 9 of the 20 complexes showed the potent inhibitory activities against XO near to the standard inhibitor allopurinol. Cadmium complex $[Cd(C_{12}H_{16}N_2)(\mu-NCS)_2]$ (8) possessed the most potent inhibitory activity with the IC_{50} value of 2.16 μ M.

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Antimycobacterial activity of diphenylpyraline derivatives

Robert Weis*, Johanna Faist, Ulrike di Vora, Klaus Schweiger, Barbara Brandner, Andreas J. Kungl and Werner Seebacher

Synthesis and antimycobacterial activity of derivatives of *diphenylpyraline* and their 1-phenyl and 1-phenethyl analogues are reported.

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SHORT COMMUNICATION

In vitro PAI-1 inhibitory activity of oxalamide derivatives

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A number of oxalamide derivatives have been synthesized and evaluated for PAI-1 inhibitory activity. *In vitro* PAI-1 inhibitory activities of oxalamide derivatives are evaluated by chromogenic assay. Few compounds have shown significant PAI-1 inhibitory activity.

PRELIMINARY COMMUNICATION

Synthesis and anticancer activity of new class of bisphosphonates/phosphanamidates

рр. 885—892

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LABORATORY NOTE

An elegant synthesis of Zetaclausenamide

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Zetaclausenamide 1 with hepatoprotective activity was prepared from 2-phenylethanol via six steps.

$$\mathsf{PhCH}_2\mathsf{CH}_2\mathsf{OH} \Rightarrow \qquad \qquad \mathsf{OH} \\ \mathsf{N-CH}$$

COVER

Overlay of the experimental and docked conformations of the ligand fluorescein in complex with an antifluorescein 4-4-20 Fab fragment (PDB code 1flr, 1.85 Å). The top-scoring conformation (purple) selected by the HINT force field, among the 255 poses generated by AutoDock, nearly overlays the crystallographic structure (yellow), while the conformation selected by the AutoDock scoring function (green) reverses the positions of the carbonyl and hydroxyl groups.

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