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In this study, we present the synthesis and biological activity of imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine anticoccidial agents, whose antiparasitic activity against *Eimeria* is due to inhibition of a parasite specific cGMP-dependent protein kinase (PKG). From this series, several compounds showed subnanomolar in vitro activity and commercial levels of in vivo activity. However, the potential genotoxicity of these compounds precludes them from further development.

Investigations concerning the COX/5-LOX inhibiting and hydroxyl radical scavenging potencies of novel 4,5-diaryl isoselenazoles

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Seventeen tetrahydroisoquinoline derivatives have been synthesized and tested for their ability to inhibit NO synthesis.

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{MeO} \\ \text{HO} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} N \\ \text{R}^2 \end{array}$$

Metabolic stereoselectivity of cytochrome P450 3A4 towards deoxypodophyllotoxin: *In silico* predictions and experimental validation

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The novel primaquine derivatives of *N*-alkyl, cycloalkyl or aryl urea: Synthesis, cytostatic and antiviral activity evaluations

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Synthesis, cytostatic and antiviral activity evaluations of the urea derivatives of primaquine 3 are reported. Biological studies revealed that phenethyl and pyridine derivatives 3g and 3h possess selective inhibition against cytomegalovirus.

$Synthesis, anti-HIV-1\ integrase, and\ cytotoxic\ activities\ of\ 4-chloro-N-(4-oxopyrimidin-2-yl)-2-mercaptobenzene sulfonamide\ derivatives$

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$$CI$$
 SH
 SO_2NH_2
 Me
 SO_2NH_2
 Me
 SO_2NH_2
 Me
 SO_2NH_2
 SO_2NH

Novel N-(phosphonomethyl) glycine derivatives: Design, characterization and biological activity

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A series of $C\alpha,\alpha$ -disubstituted cyclic derivatives of N-(phosphonomethyl) glycine have been synthesized and characterized. The results from this study unambiguously indicate that the new aminophosphonates exert antineoplastic potential, combined with low clastogenicity.

COOH
$$CH_2)n$$

$$NH - CH_2 - P$$

$$OCH_3$$

$$OCH_3$$

$$0 = 0.1.2.3 \text{ and } 7$$

Comparison of the cytotoxic activities of naturally occurring hydroxyanthraquinones and hydroxynaphthoquinones

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Hydroxyanthraquinones (A type compounds) were isolated from *Rheum palmatum* (Polygonaceae). B type hydroxynaphthoquinones were isolated from *Lithospermum erythrorhizon* Sieb. et Zucc. (Boraginaceae) and C type hydroxynaphthoquinones from *Macrotomia euchroma* (Royle) Pauls. (Boraginaceae). The cytotoxicities of these quinones on P-gp-underexpressing HCT 116 cells and P-gp-overexpressing Hep G2 cells were compared.

Synthesis of novel 7-benzylamino-2*H*-1,4-benzoxazin-3(4*H*)-ones as anticonvulsant agents Zhong-Tai Piao, Li-Ping Guan, Li-Ming Zhao, Hu-Ri Piao and Zhe-Shan Quan*

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A series of 7-benzylamino-2*H*-1,4-benzoxazin-3(4*H*)-ones was synthesized using 2-amino-5-nitrophenol as a starting material. Their anticonvulsant activities were evaluated by the maximal electroshock test (MES test) and their neurotoxicity was evaluated by the rotarod neurotoxicity test (Tox.).

Synthesis and biological activities of a series of 4,5-diaryl-3-hydroxy-2(5H)-furanones

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Fabrice Bailly*, Clémence Queffélec, Gladys Mbemba, Jean-François Mouscadet, Nicole Pommery, Jean-Pommery, Jean-Pierre Hénichart and Philippe Cotelle

A series of thirteen 4,5-diaryl-3-hydroxy-2(5*H*)-furanones were synthesized. They were evaluated for their antioxidant potencies and inhibitory properties of 5-lipoxygenase, cyclooxygenases, HIV-1 integrase and PC3 cell proliferation. New hits were discovered either in the antiproliferation test or in the HIV anti-integrase test.

Non-nucleoside HIV-1 reverse transcriptase inhibitors. Part 11: Structural modulations of diaryltriazines with potent anti-HIV activity

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Yuan-Zhen Xiong, Fen-Er Chen*, Jan Balzarini, Erik De Clercq and Christophe Pannecouque

A number of diaryltriazine derivatives (DATAs) **8a-i** and **9a-t** were prepared and evaluated for their anti-HIV activity. Among which **9h** and **9i** were the most potent compounds with noteworthy selectivity against HIV-1 RT.

Design and microwave-assisted synthesis of 5-trifluoromethyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrazoles: Novel agents with analgesic and anti-inflammatory properties

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Patricia D. Sauzem, Pablo Machado, Maribel A. Rubin, Gabriela da S. Sant'Anna, Henrique B. Faber, Alessandra H. de Souza, Carlos F. Mello, Paulo Beck, Robert A. Burrow, Helio G. Bonacorso, Nilo Zanatta and Marcos A.P. Martins*

Exploring the hypothesis of bioisosteric replacement of benzene, present in the salicylamide, by a 5-trifluoromethyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrazole scaffold, a series of 10 target compounds were synthesized by microwave induced techniques and screened with regard to their analgesic and anti-inflammatory properties.

HO
$$NH_2$$
Bioisosteric Replacement HO
 N
 N
 N
Salicylamide $\mathbf{2a-j}$

Xanthine oxidase-activated prodrugs of thymidine phosphorylase inhibitors

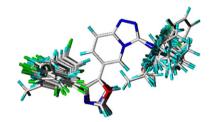
Philip Reigan, Abdul Gbaj, Ian J. Stratford, Richard A. Bryce and Sally Freeman*

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CoMFA and docking studies on triazolopyridine oxazole derivatives as p38 MAP kinase inhibitors M. Ravi Shashi Nayana, Y. Nataraja Sekhar, N. Siva Kumari, S.K. Mahmood* and Muttineni Ravikumar

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Three-dimensional quantitative structure—activity relationship (3D-QSAR) method, Comparative Molecular Field Analysis (CoMFA) and molecular docking studies using Glide were applied to a set of triazolopyridine oxazole derivatives as inhibitors of p38 MAP kinase.



Synthesis and antioxidant activity evaluation of new hexahydropyrimido[5,4-c]quinoline-2,5-diones and 2-thioxohexahydropyrimido[5,4-c]quinoline-5-ones obtained by Biginelli reaction in two steps Lhassane Ismaili, Arulraj Nadaradjane, Laurence Nicod, Catherine Guyon, Alain Xicluna,

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Several hexahydropyrimido[5,4-c] quinoline-2, 5-diones and 2-thioxohexahydropyrimido[5,4-c] quinoline-5-ones were prepared and evaluated for their antioxidant properties.

 $X = O, S; R_1 = H, CI, F; R_2 = CH_3, C_2, H_5$

Synthesis and structure—activity relationships of N-6 substituted analogues of 9-hydroxy-4-phenylpyrrolo[3,4-c]carbazole-1,3(2H,6H)-diones as inhibitors of Wee1 and Chk1 checkpoint kinases Jeff B. Smaill*, Edward N. Baker, R. John Booth, Alexander J. Bridges, James M. Dickson, Ellen M. Dobrusin,

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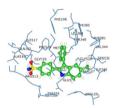
N 6

R = solubilising side chains
$$Z = 2'-H; 2'-CI; 2',6'-diCI$$

Exploration of physicochemical properties and molecular modelling studies of 2-sulfonyl-phenyl-3-phenyl-indole analogs as cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitors Arun Kumar Gupta, Revathi A. Gupta, Love Kumar Soni and S.G. Kaskhedikar*

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In the present work, modelling study has been performed to explore the physicochemical requirements of 2-sulfonyl-phenyl-3-phenyl-indole analogs as COX-2 enzyme inhibitors. QSAR analysis describes significance of descriptors like atomic van der Waals volume and atomic masses for COX-2 inhibition. Docking study suggested that phenyl sulfonamide moiety positioned in secondary pocket of enzyme which consists of amino acid residues Phe₅₁₈, Gln₁₉₂, Arg₅₁₃, Leu₃₅₂, Ser₃₅₃ and Val₅₂₃ is responsible for the selectivity. The unsubstituted phenyl ring positions in a hydrophobic cavity are lined by Tyr₃₈₅, Trp₃₈₇, Tyr₃₄₈, Leu₃₈₄ and Met₅₂₂. Interestingly, the indole C-5 CH₃-substituent is located in a hydrophobic region formed by Ile₃₄₅, Val₃₄₉, Ala₅₂₇, Leu₅₃₁ and Leu₅₃₄. The hydrophobic interactions of methyl group might be crucial for the potency of 2-sulfonyl-phenyl-3-phenyl-indole analogs. Distinguished descriptor might be helpful in identification of more potent analogs from the virtual library.



SHORT COMMUNICATIONS

Nitrile analogs of meperidine as high affinity and selective sigma-1 receptor ligands

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$Synthesis \ and \ antibacterial \ activity \ of \ bis-[2-hydroxy-3-(1,7,8,9,10-pentamethyl-3,5-dioxo-4-azatricyclo[5.2.1.0^{2,6}]dec-8-en-4-yloxy)-propyl]-dimethyl-ammonium \ chloride$

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Marta Struga*, Jerzy Kossakowski, Joanna Stefańska, Andrzej Zimniak and Anna E. Koziol

Design and evaluation of anacardic acid derivatives as anticavity agents

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On the basis of antibacterial anacardic acids, 6-pentadecenylsalicylic acids, isolated from the cashew apple, *Anacardium occidentale* L. (Anacardiaceae), a series of 6-alk(en)ylsalicylic acids were synthesized and tested for their antibacterial activity against *Streptococcus mutans* ATCC 25175. Among them, 6-(4',8'-dimethylnonyl)salicylic acid was found to exhibit the most potent antibacterial activity against this cariogenic bacterium with the minimum inhibition concentration (MIC) of 0.78 µg/ml.

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Structure activity relationships of quinoline-containing c-Met inhibitors

Pei-Pei Kung*, Lee Funk, Jerry Meng, Gordon Alton, Ellen Padrique and Barbara Mroczkowski

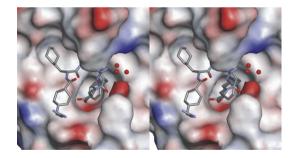
$$H_3CO$$
 N
 $X = S, O$

Structure of a novel thrombin inhibitor with an uncharged p-amino acid as P1 residue

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Rainer Friedrich, Daniel Riester, Peter Göttig, Marcel Thürk, Andreas Schwienhorst and Wolfram Bode*

The first crystal structure of a thrombin—inhibitor (discovered by a computer-assisted multiparameter optimization process, CADDIS®) complex, where an uncharged inhibitor residue makes hydrogen bonds within the thrombin S1 pocket.



PRELIMINARY COMMUNICATIONS

Synthesis and antiproliferative activity of aryl- and heteroaryl-hydrazones derived from xanthone carbaldehydes

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$$\begin{array}{c} R \rightarrow O & O \\ \hline R \rightarrow AC, H \\ \hline R \rightarrow O & S \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} R \rightarrow AC, H \\ \hline Ar = AC, H \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Synthesis and anti-mycobacterial activity of (E)-N'-(monosubstituted-benzylidene)isonicotinohydrazide pp. 1344-1347 derivatives

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A series of 22 N'-[(E)-(monosubstituted-phenyl)methylidene]isonicotinohydrazide derivatives ($2\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{v}$) have been synthesized and evaluated for their in vitro antibacterial activity against Mycobacterium tuberculosis $H_{37}Rv$ using the Alamar Blue susceptibility test.

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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