

## CYTOTOXIC ACTIVITY OF NOVEL ISATIN DERIVATIVES

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### Summary

Forty two New 2-{(benzalamino-4-hydroxybenzyl) (1,3,4)-oxadiazino[6,5-b]} Indole derivatives (V) have been synthesized by condensing 2-Amino-4-[(1,3,4)oxadiazino[6,5-b]indole-3-yl]-phenol (IV) with various aromatic aldehydes. The intermediates, on the other hand, have been synthesized by the cyclization of 3-Amino-4-hydroxy-benzoic acid (2-oxo-1,2-dihydro-indol-3-ylidene)-hydrazide (III) in presence of Concentrated H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The title compounds have been purified and characterized by their analytical and spectral data. All compounds have been evaluated for their cytotoxic activity against CHO cell lines and MCF-7 Cell lines by MTT method. The results of the evaluation have been viewed by taking cisplatin as the standard drug. Compound V<sub>25</sub> was the most potent compound with IC<sub>50</sub> value of 25.9 and 95µm against CHO and MCF-7 cell lines. Compounds V<sub>32</sub> and V<sub>31</sub> were next potent compounds with IC<sub>50</sub> values of 31.26, 98.2 and 32.10, 120.2µm among all the forty two compounds. The rest of the compounds showed moderate cytotoxic activity.

**Key words:** (1,3,4)-oxadiazino-[6,5-b]indole, Cytotoxic activity, Isatin derivatives.

### Introduction

It is known from the literature that indole derivatives exhibit varied biological and pharmacological properties [1-8] viz. antimicrobial, antiviral, anti neoplastic, analgesic, CNS activities. In view of these observations the synthesis of New 2-{(benzalamino-4-hydroxybenzyl) (1,3,4)-oxadiazino[6,5-b]} Indole derivatives (V) has been carried out.

For this purpose the required indole-2,3-diones (I) were prepared and condensed with 3-amino-4-hydroxybenzoic acid hydrazide (II) in ethanol to get the respective 3-Amino-4-hydroxy-benzoic acid (2-oxo-1,2-dihydro-indol-3-ylidene)-hydrazide (III). These compounds were cyclized using concentrated sulfuric acid to get respective 2-Amino-4-[(1,3,4)oxadiazino[6,5-b]indole-3-yl]-phenol (IV). These compounds were refluxed with aromatic aldehyde, ethanol and few drops of acetic acid to get the title compounds. The compounds were characterized by their physical, analytical and spectral data (IR and PMR, MASS). The data on Cytotoxic activity is presented in Table I

### Materials Methods

#### Cytotoxic activity [9-12]:

The Cytotoxic activity of the test compounds was determined by Microculture tetrazolium (MTT) assay method. The principle of Microculture tetrazolium assay (MTT) is based on the metabolic reduction of 3-(4,5-dimethylthiazol-2,5-diphenyl)tetrazolium bromide (MTT) to water insoluble formazan crystals with mitochondrial dehydrogenase enzyme, which gives direct correlation of viable cells. In this method Cell suspension (0.1 ml containing  $5 \times 10^5$  cells / 100  $\mu$ l), 0.1 ml of the compound solution (10, 20, 50, 100, 150 and 200  $\mu$ g in DMSO such that the final concentration of DMSO in media is less than 1%) was added to the 96 well plates and kept in carbon dioxide incubator with 5% CO<sub>2</sub> at 37°C for 72 hours. Blank contains only cell suspension and control wells contain 1% DMSO and cell suspension. After 72 hours, 20  $\mu$ l of MTT was added and kept in carbon dioxide incubator for 2 hours followed by 80  $\mu$ l of lysis buffer (15% SLS in 1:1 DMF and water). The plate was covered with aluminium foil to protect from light, then the 96 well plate was kept on rotary shaker for 8 hours. After 8 hours the 96 well plates were processed on ELISA reader for absorption at 562 nm. The readings were averaged and viability of the test samples was compared with DMSO control.

#### Results and Discussion:

All compounds have been evaluated for their cytotoxic activity against CHO cell lines and MCF-7 Cell lines by MTT method. The results of the evaluation have been viewed by taking cisplatin as the standard drug. The IC<sub>50</sub> values of the test compounds are presented in table 1 and the values are compared with the IC<sub>50</sub> values of the standard cisplatin.

Compounds V<sub>1-10</sub> indicates that all the compounds have noticeable degree of cytotoxic activity against CHO and MCF-7 Cell lines. Among them, compound V<sub>7</sub> was found to be relatively more effective against CHO cell lines and MCF-7 cell lines with IC<sub>50</sub> values of 131 and 160  $\mu$ m respectively, the rest of the compounds showed moderate cytotoxic activity in the range of 198 to 352  $\mu$ M and 194 to 368  $\mu$ M against CHO cell lines and MCF-7 cell lines. The IC<sub>50</sub> values of standard cisplatin is 25  $\mu$ M.

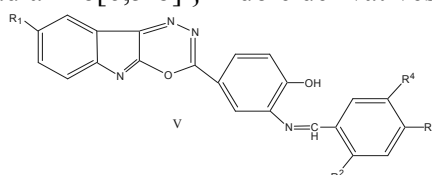
Compounds 11-20 indicates that all the compounds have a noticeable degree of Cytotoxic activity against CHO cell lines and MCF-7 cell lines. IC<sub>50</sub> values of these compounds are in the range of 50.02 to 141.20  $\mu$ M against CHO cell lines and 63.92 to 209  $\mu$ M against MCF-7 cell lines. Among these compounds, compound V<sub>16</sub> was found to be more effective in Cytotoxic activity against CHO cell lines and MCF-7 cell lines with IC<sub>50</sub> values of 50.20 and 63.9  $\mu$ M respectively.

Compounds 21-31 in this Some of the compounds showed more cytotoxic activity against CHO and MCF-7 cell lines similar to cisplatin IC<sub>50</sub> value 25  $\mu$ M. Among the test compounds, compound V<sub>25</sub> showed more Cytotoxic activity with IC<sub>50</sub> value of 25.9 and 95  $\mu$ M against CHO and MCF-7 cell lines respectively. This series of compounds were more sensitive to CHO cell lines compared to MCF-7 cell lines. Rests of the compounds were in the range from 69.54 to 120.4  $\mu$ M and 120.8 to 180.84  $\mu$ M.

Compounds V<sub>32-42</sub> showed more Cytotoxic activity against CHO cell lines similar to standard cisplatin (IC<sub>50</sub> value 25  $\mu$ M). Among these compounds, compound V<sub>32</sub> showed more Cytotoxic activity with IC<sub>50</sub> values of 31.26. and 98.2  $\mu$ M against CHO and MCF-7 cell lines.

Compounds V<sub>31</sub>, V<sub>30</sub>, and V<sub>34</sub> were next in the order of Cytotoxic activity with IC<sub>50</sub> values of 32.10, 42.40 and 55.04 respectively against CHO cell lines, where as the IC<sub>50</sub> values of rest of the compounds were in the range of 84.03 to 130.45 μM against CHO cell lines. Compounds of this series showed more Cytotoxic activity against CHO cell lines compared to MCF-7 cell lines.

**Table I: Data on Cytotoxic activity of New 2-((benzalamino-4-hydroxybenzyl) (1,3,4)-oxadiazino[6,5-b] } Indole derivatives (V)**



**Standard:** Cisplatin at all concentration ranges tested showed an IC<sub>50</sub> of 25 μM

Compound	Substituents				CHO cell lines IC <sub>50</sub> Value ( μM)	MCF-7 cell Lines IC <sub>50</sub> Value ( μM)
	R <sup>1</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	R <sup>3</sup>	R <sup>4</sup>		
Standard	--	--	--	--	25	25
V(1)	H	H	H	H	352	368
V(2)	H	H	Cl	H	320	301
V(3)	H	OH	H	H	322	258
V(4)	H	H	OCH <sub>3</sub>	H	248	201
V(5)	H	H	OCH <sub>3</sub>	OCH <sub>3</sub>	256	240
V(6)	H	H	N(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	H	198	296
V(7)	H	H	OH	OCH <sub>3</sub>	131	160
V(8)	Br	H	H	H	296	284
V(9)	Br	H	Cl	H	210	194
V(10)	Br	OH	H	H	141.20	209.0
V(11)	Br	H	OCH <sub>3</sub>	H	82.92	180.6
V(12)	Br	H	OCH <sub>3</sub>	OCH <sub>3</sub>	69.07	152.2
V(13)	Br	H	N(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	H	64.20	120.4
V(14)	Br	H	OH	OCH <sub>3</sub>	55.92	110.1
V(15)	NO <sub>2</sub>	H	H	H	82.50	168.8
V(16)	NO <sub>2</sub>	H	Cl	H	50.20	63.9

V(17)	NO <sub>2</sub>	OH	H	H	94.63	183.5
V(18)	NO <sub>2</sub>	H	OCH <sub>3</sub>	H	80.01	125.4
V(19)	NO <sub>2</sub>	H	OCH <sub>3</sub>	OCH <sub>3</sub>	120.8	180.8
V(20)	NO <sub>2</sub>	H	N(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	H	56.4	160.7
V(21)	NO <sub>2</sub>	H	OH	OCH <sub>3</sub>	46.58	124.4
V(22)	F	H	H	H	42.75	102.2
V(23)	F	H	Cl	H	35.08	74.3
V(24)	F	OH	H	H	77.9	121.6
V(25)	F	H	OCH <sub>3</sub>	H	25.9	95.0
V(26)	F	H	OCH <sub>3</sub>	OCH <sub>3</sub>	89.06	168.8
V(27)	F	H	N(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	H	69.54	120.4
V(28)	F	H	OH	OCH <sub>3</sub>	130.45	186.6
V(29)	Cl	H	H	H	125.7	172.6
V(30)	Cl	H	Cl	H	42.4	160.0
V(31)	Cl	OH	H	H	32.10	120.2
V(32)	Cl	H	OCH <sub>3</sub>	H	31.26	98.2
V(33)	Cl	H	OCH <sub>3</sub>	OCH <sub>3</sub>	84.03	94.6
V(34)	Cl	H	N(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	H	55.04	210.0
V(35)	Cl	H	OH	OCH <sub>3</sub>	135.6	154.5
V(36)	CH <sub>3</sub>	H	H	H	68.7	110.9
V(37)	CH <sub>3</sub>	H	Cl	H	325.4	306.8
V(38)	CH <sub>3</sub>	OH	H	H	309.4	254
V(39)	CH <sub>3</sub>	H	OCH <sub>3</sub>	H	302.9	233.8
V(40)	CH <sub>3</sub>	H	OCH <sub>3</sub>	OCH <sub>3</sub>	118	131.7
V(41)	CH <sub>3</sub>	H	N(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	H	204	220
V(42)	CH <sub>3</sub>	H	OH	OCH <sub>3</sub>	282	294.2

### Conclusion

Compound V<sub>25</sub> was the most potent compound with IC<sub>50</sub> value of 25.9 and 95 μM against CHO and MCF-7 cell lines. Compounds V<sub>32</sub> and V<sub>31</sub> were next potent compounds with IC<sub>50</sub> values of 31.26, 98.2 and 32.10, 120.2 μM among all the forty two compounds. The rest of the compounds showed moderate cytotoxic activity

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