Antineoplastic agents. Total synthesis of Dolastatin 16

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Dolastatin 16

Introduction

<u>Education:</u> Ph.D., Wayne State University, 1956

Research Interests:

- chemistry of natural products (peptides, nucleotides, and steroids)
- cancer chemotherapy (anticancer agents from arthropods, marine animals and plants)
- total synthesis of natural products.

Robert Pettit's group is organized to provide the specialized training necessary to undertake problems concerned with the discovery of anticancer substances for the treatment of cancer. Among various activities, they are pursuing a unique program concerned with isolation, structural identification and synthesis of naturally occurring anticancer agents from marine animals, plants, and arthropods.



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Nature Sourses of Dolastatin 16

Sea hare *Dolabella auricularia*¹ and Madagascan cyanobacterium *Lyngbya majuscula*²





Dolastatin 16 from sea hare *Dolabella auricularia* is an inhibitor of cancer cell growth. (GI_{50} = 10⁻³ – 10⁻⁴ µg/ml)

Dolastatin 16 also has antifouling activity (EC_{50} = 0.003 µg/ml) against the larvae of the barnacle *Balanus amphitrite*, as well as low toxicity (LC_{50} = 20µg/ml)

Dolastatin 16 was originally isolated (in 3.1 x 10⁻⁷% yield) as an amorphous powder. Very slow (over three years) crystal formation from acetonitrile and water provided X-ray quality crystals.



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Synthesis of the Dolamethylleuine (Dml) as its Z-protected synthon³





Figure 1. X-ray structure of N-Z-dolamethylleuine (8). Atoms are displayed as 30% probability thermal ellipsoids.

Overall yield of 8 = 13%

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Synthesis of the Dolaphenvaline (Dpv)⁴



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Overall yield=22.6%











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Retrosynthetic analysis of Dolastatin 16



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Synthesis of Intermediate 7 of Dolastatin 16



Synthesis of Intermediate 5









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Synthesis of Intermediate 9



Synthesis of Dolastatin 16



Synthesis of Dolastatin 16



		cell line ^a					
compound	solvent	BXPC-3	MCF-7	SF-268	NCI-H460	KM20L2	DU-145
dolastatin 16 (natural)	DMSO	0.050	0.027	0.016	0.270	0.013	0.009
dolastatin 16 (synthetic)	DMSO	>10	>10	>10	>10	>10	>10
	MeOH	>10	>10	>10	>10	>10	>10

Human Cancer Cell Growth Evaluation of Natural and Synthetic Dolastatin 16, GI_{50} (μ g/mL)

^aCancer cell lines in order: pancreas (BXPC-3); breast (MCF-7); CNS (SF-268); lung (NCI-H460); colon (KM20L2); prostate (DU-145).

Thank you for your attention!

