

4--ANILINO QUINAZOLINE DERIVATIVES FOR THE TREATMENT OF ABNORMAL CELL GROWTH

Background of the Invention

This invention relates to novel bicyclic derivatives that are useful in the treatment of abnormal cell growth, such as cancer, in mammals. This invention also relates to a method of
5 using such compounds in the treatment of abnormal cell growth in mammals, especially humans, and to pharmaceutical compositions containing such compounds.

It is known that a cell may become cancerous by virtue of the transformation of a portion of its DNA into an oncogene (i.e., a gene which, on activation, leads to the formation of malignant tumor cells). Many oncogenes encode proteins that are aberrant tyrosine kinases
10 capable of causing cell transformation. Alternatively, the overexpression of a normal proto-oncogenic tyrosine kinase may also result in proliferative disorders, sometimes resulting in a malignant phenotype.

Receptor tyrosine kinases are enzymes which span the cell membrane and possess an extracellular binding domain for growth factors such as epidermal growth factor, a
15 transmembrane domain, and an intracellular portion which functions as a kinase to phosphorylate specific tyrosine residues in proteins and hence to influence cell proliferation. Examples of receptor tyrosine kinases include c-erbB-2 (HER2), c-met, tie-2, PDGFR, FGFR, and VEGFR. It is known that such kinases are frequently aberrantly expressed in common human cancers such as breast cancer, gastrointestinal cancer such as colon, rectal or
20 stomach cancer, leukemia, and ovarian, bronchial or pancreatic cancer. It is well known that ERBB2 (protein tyrosine kinase erb B2 precursor (also known as c-erbB-2 protein precursor or kinase related transforming protein erbB2) is a protooncogene that encodes a membrane-bound receptor tyrosine kinase of the epithelial growth factor receptor (EGFR) family. It is overexpressed in several types of cancer such as breast, ovarian, stomach, pancreas and
25 colorectal cancers. ErbB2 has a possible role in tumor-cell proliferation, tumor invasion and tumor metastasis and drug resistance.

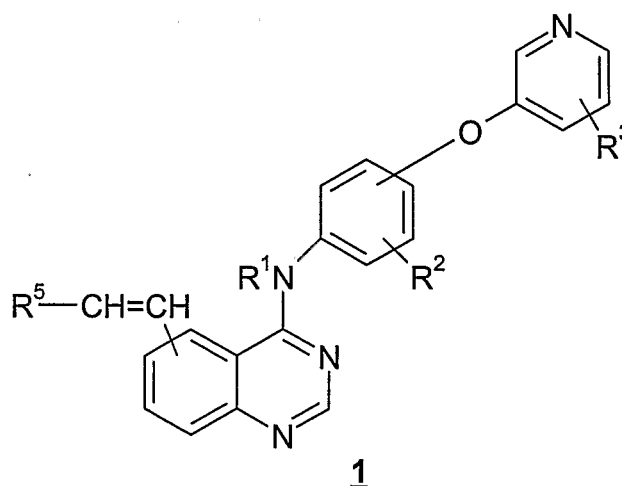
Accordingly, it has been recognized that inhibitors of receptor tyrosine kinases are useful as selective inhibitors of the growth of mammalian cancer cells. For example, erbstatin, a tyrosine kinase inhibitor, selectively attenuates the growth in athymic nude mice of
30 a transplanted human mammary carcinoma which expresses epidermal growth factor receptor tyrosine kinase (EGFR) but is without effect on the growth of another carcinoma which does not express the EGF receptor. Thus, the compounds of the present invention, which are selective inhibitors of certain receptor tyrosine kinases, are useful in the treatment of abnormal cell growth, in particular cancer, in mammals. In addition to receptor tyrosine kinases, the
35 compounds of the present invention can also display inhibitory activity against a variety of other non-receptor tyrosine kinases (eg: lck, src, abl) or serine/threonine kinases (e.g.: cyclin dependent kinases).

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Various other compounds, such as styrene derivatives, have also been shown to possess tyrosine kinase inhibitory properties. More recently, five European patent publications, namely EP 0 566 226 A1 (published October 20, 1993), EP 0 602 851 A1 (published June 22, 1994), EP 0 635 507 A1 (published January 25, 1995), EP 0 635 498 A1 (published January 25, 1995), and EP 0 520 722 A1 (published December 30, 1992), refer to certain bicyclic derivatives, in particular quinazoline derivatives, as possessing anti-cancer properties that result from their tyrosine kinase inhibitory properties. Also, World Patent Application WO 92/20642 (published November 26, 1992), refers to certain bis-mono and bicyclic aryl and heteroaryl compounds as tyrosine kinase inhibitors that are useful in inhibiting abnormal cell proliferation. World Patent Applications WO96/16960 (published June 6, 1996), WO 96/09294 (published March 6, 1996), WO 97/30034 (published August 21, 1997), WO 98/02434 (published January 22, 1998), WO 98/02437 (published January 22, 1998), and WO 98/02438 (published January 22, 1998), also refer to substituted bicyclic heteroaromatic derivatives as tyrosine kinase inhibitors that are useful for the same purpose. Other patent applications that refer to anti-cancer compounds are World Patent Application WO00/44728 (published August 3, 2000), EP 1029853A1 (published August 23, 2000), and WO01/98277 (published December 12, 2001) all of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.

Summary of the Invention

This invention relates to a compound of the formula **1**



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, solvate or prodrug thereof, wherein:

R^1 is selected from the group consisting of H and C_1 - C_6 alkyl;

R^2 is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 - C_{10} alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, and C_1 - C_6 hydroxyalkyl group;

R^3 is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 hydroxyalkyl, and $C(O)OR^4$ wherein R^4 is selected from the group consisting of H and C_1 - C_6 alkyl;

R^5 is selected from the group consisting of $-C(O)OH$ and $-(CR^6R^7)_m-NR^1R^8$ wherein m is an integer from 0 to 3; each R^6 and R^7 is independently selected from the group consisting of H and C_1-C_6 alkyl, and wherein R^8 is selected from the group consisting of C_1-C_6 alkyl and $-C(O)-(CR^6CR^7)_m-O(C_1-C_6$ alkyl); and wherein the compound of formula **1** is further optionally substituted by a hydroxy or an O-glucuronic acid substituent.

The invention also relates to a process for preparing the compound of formula **1** by microbial biotransformation which comprises contacting a culture of a microorganism in a nutrient medium suitable for said microorganism with *E*-2-Methoxy-N-(3-{4-[3-methyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-acetamide or a salt thereof and isolating the compound.

The invention also relates to a process for preparing the compound of formula **1**, comprising the step of preparing the compound *in vivo*.

The invention also relates to a process for preparing the compound of formula **1**, comprising the step of preparing the compound synthetically.

The invention also relates to a process for preparing *E*-N-(3-{4-[3-hydroxymethyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-2-methoxy-acetamide which comprises contacting a culture of the microorganism *Streptomyces albulus* in a nutrient medium suitable for said microorganism with the methanesulfonate salt of *E*-2-Methoxy-N-(3-{4-[3-methyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-acetamide and isolating the *E*-N-(3-{4-[3-hydroxymethyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-2-methoxy-acetamide.

The invention also relates to a process for preparing *E*-N-(3-{4-[4-(6-hydroxymethyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-3-methyl-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-2-methoxy-acetamide which comprises contacting a culture of the microorganism *Streptomyces rimosus* in a nutrient medium suitable for said microorganism with the methanesulfonate salt of *E*-2-Methoxy-N-(3-{4-[3-methyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-acetamide and isolating the *E*-N-(3-{4-[4-(6-hydroxymethyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-3-methyl-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-2-methoxy-acetamide.

The invention also relates to a method for the treatment of abnormal cell growth (such as cancer) in a mammal comprising administering to said mammal an amount of a compound of formula **1** that is effective in treating abnormal cell growth.

The invention also relates to a method for the treatment of abnormal cell growth in a mammal which comprises administering to said mammal an amount of a compound of formula **1** that is effective in treating abnormal cell growth in combination with an anti-tumor agent selected from the group consisting of mitotic inhibitors, alkylating agents, anti-metabolites, intercalating antibiotics, growth factor inhibitors, radiation, cell cycle inhibitors,

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enzymes, topoisomerase inhibitors, biological response modifiers, antibodies, cytotoxics, anti-hormones, and anti-androgens.

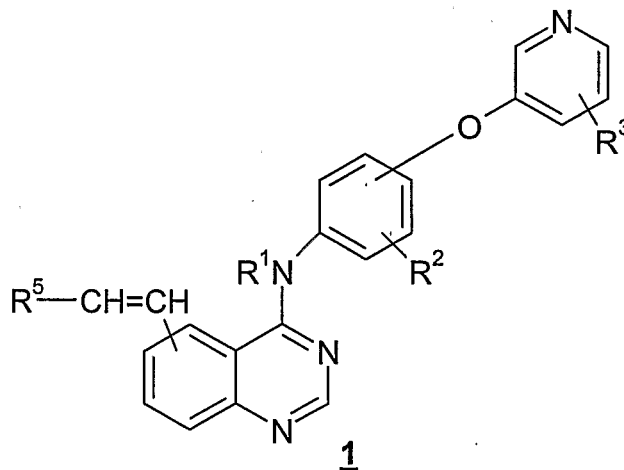
The present invention further relates to a pharmaceutical composition for the treatment of abnormal cell growth in a mammal comprising an amount of a compound of formula 1 that is effective in treating abnormal cell growth, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

The present invention further relates to a method of determining if a patient has been administered *E*-2-Methoxy-N-(3-{4-[3-methyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-acetamide, the method comprising the step of determining if a plasma, urine, bile or fecal sample obtained from the patient shows the presence of the aforementioned compound of formula 1.

The present invention also relates to a kit for the treatment of abnormal cell growth comprising a) a pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of formula 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, vehicle or diluent; and b) instructions describing a method of using the pharmaceutical composition for treating the abnormal cell growth.

Detailed Description Of The Invention

This invention relates to a compound of the formula 1



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, solvate or prodrug thereof, wherein:

R^1 is selected from the group consisting of H and C_1-C_6 alkyl;

R^2 is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1-C_{10} alkyl, C_1-C_6 alkoxy, and C_1-C_6 hydroxyalkyl group;

R^3 is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1-C_6 alkyl, C_1-C_6 hydroxyalkyl, and $C(O)OR^4$ wherein R^4 is selected from the group consisting of H and C_1-C_6 alkyl;

R^5 is selected from the group consisting of $-C(O)OH$ and $-(CR^6R^7)_m-NR^1R^8$ wherein m is an integer from 0 to 3; each R^6 and R^7 is independently selected from the group consisting of H and C_1-C_6 alkyl, and wherein R^8 is selected from the group consisting of C_1-C_6 alkyl and

$-\text{C}(\text{O})-(\text{CR}^6\text{CR}^7)_m-\text{O}(\text{C}_1-\text{C}_6 \text{ alkyl})$; and wherein the compound of formula **1** is further optionally substituted by a hydroxy or an O-glucuronic acid substituent.

In one preferred embodiment, the compound of formula **1** is substantially pure. The substantially pure forms of the compound of formula **1** can be obtained for example, through
5 chemical synthesis, *in vivo*, or biotransformation, as set forth in detail below.

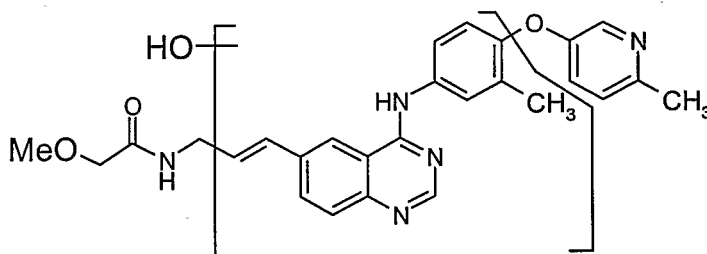
In one specific embodiment, the compound of formula **1**, R^1 is H, R^2 is hydroxymethyl, R^3 is methyl, and R^5 is $-\text{CH}_2\text{NHC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{OCH}_3$.

In another specific embodiment, R^1 is H, R^2 is methyl, R^3 is hydroxymethyl, and R^5 is $-\text{CH}_2\text{NHC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{OCH}_3$.

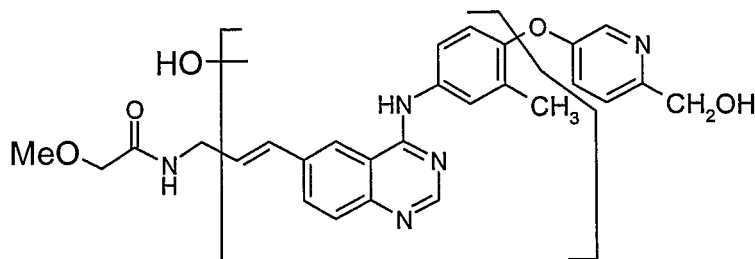
10 In another specific embodiment, R^1 is H, R^2 is methyl, R^3 is methyl, and R^5 is $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{OH}$.

In another specific embodiment, R^1 is H, R^2 is methyl, R^3 is $-\text{COOH}$, and R^5 is $-\text{CH}_2\text{NHC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{OCH}_3$.

In another specific embodiment, wherein the compound of formula **1** further
15 comprises a hydroxy substituent, R^1 is H, R^2 is methyl, R^3 is methyl, and R^5 is $-\text{CH}_2\text{NHC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{OCH}_3$. In one embodiment, the hydroxy moiety is a substituent within the bracketed portion of the molecule as shown below:



In another specific embodiment, wherein the compound of formula **1** further comprises
20 a hydroxy substituent, R^1 is H, R^2 is methyl, R^3 is hydroxymethyl, and R^5 is $-\text{CH}_2\text{NHC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{OCH}_3$. In one embodiment, the hydroxy moiety is a substituent within the bracketed part of the molecule as shown below:



In another specific embodiment, R^1 is H, R^2 is hydroxymethyl, R^3 is methyl, and R^5 is
25 $-\text{CH}_2\text{NHC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$.

In another specific embodiment, the compound of formula **1** further comprises an

-O-glucuronic acid substituent. In one embodiment the -O-glucuronic acid substituent is on the quinazoline ring; in one embodiment on the "phenyl" part of the phenylamino group; in one embodiment on the pyridine ring; and in the one embodiment on the acyclic chain attached to the phenyl group of the quinazoline ring.

5 Specific preferred compounds of the present invention include those selected from the group consisting of:

N-(3-{4-[3-hydroxymethyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-2-methoxy-acetamide;

10 N-(3-{4-[4-(6-hydroxymethyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-3-methyl-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-2-methoxy-acetamide;

3-{4-[3-Methyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-acrylic acid;

5-(4-{6-[3-(2-Methoxy-acetyl-amino-propenyl)]-quinazolin-4-ylamino}-2-methyl-phenoxy)-pyridine-2-carboxylic acid;

15 2-Hydroxy-N-(3-{4-[3-hydroxymethyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-acetamide;

and the pharmaceutically acceptable salts, prodrugs, hydrates and solvates of the foregoing compounds.

The compound of formula **1** can exist in both cis (Z) or trans (E) geometric isomeric forms. In one preferred embodiment of the present invention, the compounds of formula **1** are
20 E geometric isomers.

The compounds of the present invention may be used as analytical standards for *in vitro* or *in vivo* metabolism studies or as intermediates for the chemical synthesis or biosynthesis of new chemical entities. The metabolites may be isolated as solids or in solution. The compounds of the present invention can also be used to identify patients who
25 have been administered E-2-Methoxy-N-(3-{4-[3-methyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-acetamide or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug thereof, or salt of a prodrug. To identify a patient that has been administered E-2-Methoxy-N-(3-{4-[3-methyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-acetamide or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug thereof or salt of a prodrug, a
30 serum, urine, fecal or bile sample is taken from the patient and the sample is analyzed for the presence of one or more compound of the present invention.

One method of analyzing for the compounds of the present invention is by using chromatography and mass spectroscopy. Other analysis methods are well known to those skilled in the art. The presence of one or more compound of the present invention in a serum,
35 urine, fecal or bile sample indicates that the patient has been administered E-2-Methoxy-N-(3-{4-[3-methyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-acetamide or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or prodrug thereof, or salt of a prodrug.

In the methods of treatment of the present invention, a compound of the present invention can be administered to a patient directly, such as in a tablet, or the compound can be administered by being produced in the patient's body through metabolism. Moreover, the administration route and dosage of the compound that gives rise to a compound of the present invention by metabolism can be varied, as desired, to obtain desired *in vivo* concentration and rate of production of a compound of the present invention.

This invention also relates to a process for preparing the compound of formula **1** by microbial biotransformation which comprises contacting a culture of a microorganism in a nutrient medium suitable for said microorganism with *E*-2-Methoxy-N-(3-{4-[3-methyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-acetamide or a salt thereof and isolating the compound.

In one embodiment, the microorganism is an actinomycete, and in one embodiment a fungus.

This invention also relates to a process for preparing *E*-N-(3-{4-[3-hydroxymethyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-2-methoxy-acetamide which comprises: contacting a culture of the microorganism *Streptomyces albulus* in a nutrient medium suitable for said microorganism with the methanesulfonate salt of *E*-2-Methoxy-N-(3-{4-[3-methyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-acetamide and isolating the *E*-N-(3-{4-[3-hydroxymethyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-2-methoxy-acetamide.

In one preferred embodiment the nutrient medium suitable for *Streptomyces albulus* is IOWA medium.

This invention also relates to a process for preparing *E*-N-(3-{4-[4-(6-hydroxymethyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-3-methyl-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-2-methoxy-acetamide which comprises contacting a culture of the microorganism *Streptomyces rimosus* in a nutrient medium suitable for said microorganism with the methanesulfonate salt of *E*-2-Methoxy-N-(3-{4-[3-methyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-acetamide and isolating the *E*-N-(3-{4-[4-(6-hydroxymethyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-3-methyl-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-2-methoxy-acetamide.

In one preferred embodiment the nutrient medium suitable for *Streptomyces rimosus* is IOWA medium.

The invention also relates to a process for preparing the compound of formula **1**, comprising the step of preparing the compound *in vivo* (i.e., the compound is produced in the body).

The invention also relates to a process for preparing the compound of formula **1**, comprising the step of preparing the compound synthetically.

This invention also relates to a method for the treatment of abnormal cell growth in a mammal, including a human, comprising administering to said mammal an amount of a compound of the formula 1, as defined above, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, solvate, hydrate or prodrug thereof, that is effective in treating abnormal cell growth. In one embodiment of this method, the abnormal cell growth is cancer, including, but not limited to, lung cancer, bone cancer, pancreatic cancer, skin cancer, cancer of the head or neck, cutaneous or intraocular melanoma, uterine cancer, ovarian cancer, rectal cancer, cancer of the anal region, stomach cancer, colon cancer, breast cancer, carcinoma of the fallopian tubes, carcinoma of the endometrium, carcinoma of the cervix, carcinoma of the vagina, carcinoma of the vulva, Hodgkin's Disease, cancer of the esophagus, cancer of the small intestine, cancer of the endocrine system, cancer of the thyroid gland, cancer of the parathyroid gland, cancer of the adrenal gland, sarcoma of soft tissue, cancer of the urethra, cancer of the penis, prostate cancer, chronic or acute leukemia, lymphocytic lymphomas, cancer of the bladder, cancer of the kidney or ureter, renal cell carcinoma, carcinoma of the renal pelvis, neoplasms of the central nervous system (CNS), primary CNS lymphoma, spinal axis tumors, brain stem glioma, pituitary adenoma, or a combination of one or more of the foregoing cancers. In another embodiment of said method, said abnormal cell growth is a benign proliferative disease, including, but not limited to, psoriasis, benign prostatic hypertrophy or restinosis.

This invention also relates to a method for the treatment of abnormal cell growth in a mammal which comprises administering to said mammal an amount of a compound of formula 1, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, solvate or prodrug thereof, that is effective in treating abnormal cell growth in combination with an anti-tumor agent selected from the group consisting of mitotic inhibitors, alkylating agents, anti-metabolites, intercalating antibiotics, growth factor inhibitors, cell cycle inhibitors, enzymes, topoisomerase inhibitors, biological response modifiers, antibodies, cytotoxics, anti-hormones, and anti-androgens.

This invention also relates to a pharmaceutical composition for the treatment of abnormal cell growth in a mammal, including a human, comprising an amount of a compound of the formula 1, as defined above, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, solvate or prodrug thereof, that is effective in treating abnormal cell growth, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier. In one embodiment of said composition, said abnormal cell growth is cancer, including, but not limited to, lung cancer, bone cancer, pancreatic cancer, skin cancer, cancer of the head or neck, cutaneous or intraocular melanoma, uterine cancer, ovarian cancer, rectal cancer, cancer of the anal region, stomach cancer, colon cancer, breast cancer, carcinoma of the fallopian tubes, carcinoma of the endometrium, carcinoma of the cervix, carcinoma of the vagina, carcinoma of the vulva, Hodgkin's Disease, cancer of the esophagus, cancer of the small intestine, cancer of the endocrine system, cancer of the thyroid gland, cancer of the parathyroid gland, cancer of the adrenal gland, sarcoma of soft tissue, cancer of the urethra, cancer of the

penis, prostate cancer, chronic or acute leukemia, lymphocytic lymphomas, cancer of the bladder, cancer of the kidney or ureter, renal cell carcinoma, carcinoma of the renal pelvis, neoplasms of the central nervous system (CNS), primary CNS lymphoma, spinal axis tumors, brain stem glioma, pituitary adenoma, or a combination of one or more of the foregoing cancers.

- 5 In another embodiment of said pharmaceutical composition, said abnormal cell growth is a benign proliferative disease, including, but not limited to, psoriasis, benign prostatic hypertrophy or restinosis.

The invention also relates to a pharmaceutical composition for the treatment of abnormal cell growth in a mammal, including a human, which comprises an amount of a
10 compound of formula 1, as defined above, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, solvate or prodrug thereof, that is effective in treating abnormal cell growth in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and an anti-tumor agent selected from the group consisting of mitotic inhibitors, alkylating agents, anti-metabolites, intercalating antibiotics, growth factor inhibitors, cell cycle inhibitors, enzymes, topoisomerase inhibitors, biological response modifiers,
15 anti-hormones, and anti-androgens.

This invention also relates to a method for the treatment of a disorder associated with angiogenesis in a mammal, including a human, comprising administering to said mammal an amount of a compound of the formula 1, as defined above, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, solvate or prodrug thereof, that is effective in treating said disorder. Such disorders include
20 cancerous tumors such as melanoma; ocular disorders such as age-related macular degeneration, presumed ocular histoplasmosis syndrome, and retinal neovascularization from proliferative diabetic retinopathy; rheumatoid arthritis; bone loss disorders such as osteoporosis, Paget's disease, humoral hypercalcemia of malignancy, hypercalcemia from tumors metastatic to bone, and osteoporosis induced by glucocorticoid treatment; coronary restenosis; and certain
25 microbial infections including those associated with microbial pathogens selected from adenovirus, hantaviruses, *Borrelia burgdorferi*, *Yersinia spp.*, *Bordetella pertussis*, and group A *Streptococcus*.

This invention also relates to a method of (and to a pharmaceutical composition for) treating abnormal cell growth in a mammal which comprise an amount of a compound of
30 formula 1, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, solvate or prodrug thereof, and an amount of one or more substances selected from anti-angiogenesis agents, signal transduction inhibitors, and antiproliferative agents, which amounts are together effective in treating said abnormal cell growth.

Anti-angiogenesis agents, such as MMP-2 (matrix-metalloproteinase 2) inhibitors,
35 MMP-9 (matrix-metalloproteinase 9) inhibitors, and COX-II (cyclooxygenase II) inhibitors, can be used in conjunction with a compound of formula 1 in the methods and pharmaceutical compositions described herein. Examples of useful COX-II inhibitors include CELEBREX™

(alecoxib), valdecoxib, and rofecoxib. Examples of useful matrix metalloproteinase inhibitors are described in WO 96/33172 (published October 24, 1996), WO 96/27583 (published March 7, 1996), European Patent Application No. 97304971.1 (filed July 8, 1997), European Patent Application No. 99308617.2 (filed October 29, 1999), WO 98/07697 (published February 26, 1998), WO 98/03516 (published January 29, 1998), WO 98/34918 (published August 13, 1998), WO 98/34915 (published August 13, 1998), WO 98/33768 (published August 6, 1998), WO 98/30566 (published July 16, 1998), European Patent Publication 606,046 (published July 13, 1994), European Patent Publication 931,788 (published July 28, 1999), WO 90/05719 (published May 31, 1990), WO 99/52910 (published October 21, 1999), WO 99/52889 (published October 21, 1999), WO 99/29667 (published June 17, 1999), PCT International Application No. PCT/IB98/01113 (filed July 21, 1998), European Patent Application No. 99302232.1 (filed March 25, 1999), Great Britain patent application number 9912961.1 (filed June 3, 1999), United States Provisional Application No. 60/148,464 (filed August 12, 1999), United States Patent 5,863,949 (issued January 26, 1999), United States Patent 5,861,510 (issued January 19, 1999), and European Patent Publication 780,386 (published June 25, 1997), all of which are herein incorporated by reference in their entirety. Preferred MMP-2 and MMP-9 inhibitors are those that have little or no activity inhibiting MMP-1. More preferred, are those that selectively inhibit MMP-2 and/or MMP-9 relative to the other matrix-metalloproteinases (*i.e.* MMP-1, MMP-3, MMP-4, MMP-5, MMP-6, MMP-7, MMP-8, MMP-10, MMP-11, MMP-12, and MMP-13).

Some specific examples of MMP inhibitors useful in combination with the compounds of the present invention are AG-3340, RO 32-3555, RS 13-0830, and the compounds recited in the following list:

3-[[4-(4-fluoro-phenoxy)-benzenesulfonyl]-(1-hydroxycarbamoyl-cyclopentyl)-amino]-propionic acid;

3-exo-3-[4-(4-fluoro-phenoxy)-benzenesulfonylamino]-8-oxa-bicyclo[3.2.1]octane-3-carboxylic acid hydroxyamide;

(2R, 3R) 1-[4-(2-chloro-4-fluoro-benzyloxy)-benzenesulfonyl]-3-hydroxy-3-methyl-piperidine-2-carboxylic acid hydroxyamide;

4-[4-(4-fluoro-phenoxy)-benzenesulfonylamino]-tetrahydro-pyran-4-carboxylic acid hydroxyamide;

3-[[4-(4-fluoro-phenoxy)-benzenesulfonyl]-(1-hydroxycarbamoyl-cyclobutyl)-amino]-propionic acid;

4-[4-(4-chloro-phenoxy)-benzenesulfonylamino]-tetrahydro-pyran-4-carboxylic acid hydroxyamide;

3-[4-(4-chloro-phenoxy)-benzenesulfonylamino]-tetrahydro-pyran-3-carboxylic acid hydroxyamide;

(2R, 3R) 1-[4-(4-fluoro-2-methyl-benzyloxy)-benzenesulfonyl]-3-hydroxy-3-methyl-piperidine-2-carboxylic acid hydroxyamide;

3-[[4-(4-fluoro-phenoxy)-benzenesulfonyl]-(1-hydroxycarbamoyl-1-methyl-ethyl)-amino]-propionic acid;

3-[[4-(4-fluoro-phenoxy)-benzenesulfonyl]-(4-hydroxycarbamoyl-tetrahydro-pyran-4-yl)-amino]-propionic acid;

5 3-exo-3-[4-(4-chloro-phenoxy)-benzenesulfonylamino]-8-oxa-bicyclo[3.2.1]octane-3-carboxylic acid hydroxyamide;

3-endo-3-[4-(4-fluoro-phenoxy)-benzenesulfonylamino]-8-oxa-bicyclo[3.2.1]octane-3-carboxylic acid hydroxyamide; and

10 3-[4-(4-fluoro-phenoxy)-benzenesulfonylamino]-tetrahydro-furan-3-carboxylic acid hydroxyamide;

and pharmaceutically acceptable salts, solvates and prodrugs of said compounds.

The compounds of formula **1**, and the pharmaceutically acceptable salts, solvates and prodrugs thereof, can also be used in combination with signal transduction inhibitors, such as agents that can inhibit EGFR (epidermal growth factor receptor) responses, such as EGFR
15 antibodies, EGF antibodies, and molecules that are EGFR inhibitors; VEGF (vascular endothelial growth factor) inhibitors; and erbB2 receptor inhibitors, such as organic molecules or antibodies that bind to the erbB2 receptor, for example, HERCEPTINTM (Genentech, Inc. of South San Francisco, California, USA).

EGFR inhibitors are described in, for example in WO 95/19970 (published July 27,
20 1995), WO 98/14451 (published April 9, 1998), WO 98/02434 (published January 22, 1998), and United States Patent 5,747,498 (issued May 5, 1998). EGFR-inhibiting agents include, but are not limited to, the monoclonal antibodies C225 and anti-EGFR 22Mab (ImClone Systems Incorporated of New York, New York, USA), the compounds ZD-1839 (AstraZeneca), BIBX-1382 (Boehringer Ingelheim), MDX-447 (Medarex Inc. of Annandale,
25 New Jersey, USA), and OLX-103 (Merck & Co. of Whitehouse Station, New Jersey, USA), VRCTC-310 (Ventech Research) and EGF fusion toxin (Seragen Inc. of Hopkinton, Massachusetts).

VEGF inhibitors, for example SU-5416 and SU-6668 (Sugen Inc. of South San Francisco, California, USA), can also be combined with a compound of formula **1**. VEGF
30 inhibitors are described in, for example in WO 99/24440 (published May 20, 1999), PCT International Application PCT/IB99/00797 (filed May 3, 1999), in WO 95/21613 (published August 17, 1995), WO 99/61422 (published December 2, 1999), United States Patent 5,834,504 (issued November 10, 1998), WO 98/50356 (published November 12, 1998), United States Patent 5,883,113 (issued March 16, 1999), United States Patent 5,886,020 (issued March 23,
35 1999), United States Patent 5,792,783 (issued August 11, 1998), WO 99/10349 (published March 4, 1999), WO 97/32856 (published September 12, 1997), WO 97/22596 (published June 26, 1997), WO 98/54093 (published December 3, 1998), WO 98/02438 (published January 22,

1998), WO 99/16755 (published April 8, 1999), and WO 98/02437 (published January 22, 1998), all of which are herein incorporated by reference in their entirety. Other examples of some specific VEGF inhibitors are IM862 (Cytran Inc. of Kirkland, Washington, USA); anti-VEGF monoclonal antibody of Genentech, Inc. of South San Francisco, California; and angiozyme, a
5 synthetic ribozyme from Ribozyme (Boulder, Colorado) and Chiron (Emeryville, California).

ErbB2 receptor inhibitors, such as GW-282974 (Glaxo Wellcome plc), and the monoclonal antibodies AR-209 (Aronex Pharmaceuticals Inc. of The Woodlands, Texas, USA) and 2B-1 (Chiron), may be administered in combination with a compound of formula 1. Such erbB2 inhibitors include those described in WO 98/02434 (published January 22, 1998), WO
10 99/35146 (published July 15, 1999), WO 99/35132 (published July 15, 1999), WO 98/02437 (published January 22, 1998), WO 97/13760 (published April 17, 1997), WO 95/19970 (published July 27, 1995), United States Patent 5,587,458 (issued December 24, 1996), and United States Patent 5,877,305 (issued March 2, 1999), each of which is herein incorporated by reference in its entirety. ErbB2 receptor inhibitors useful in the present invention are also
15 described in United States Provisional Application No. 60/117,341, filed January 27, 1999, and in United States Provisional Application No. 60/117,346, filed January 27, 1999, both of which are herein incorporated by reference in their entirety.

Other antiproliferative agents that may be used with the compounds of the present invention include inhibitors of the enzyme farnesyl protein transferase and inhibitors of the
20 receptor tyrosine kinase PDGFr, including the compounds disclosed and claimed in the following United States patent applications: 09/221946 (filed December 28, 1998); 09/454058 (filed December 2, 1999); 09/501163 (filed February 9, 2000); 09/539930 (filed March 31, 2000); 09/202796 (filed May 22, 1997); 09/384339 (filed August 26, 1999); and 09/383755 (filed August 26, 1999); and the compounds disclosed and claimed in the following United
25 States provisional patent applications: 60/168207 (filed November 30, 1999); 60/170119 (filed December 10, 1999); 60/177718 (filed January 21, 2000); 60/168217 (filed November 30, 1999), and 60/200834 (filed May 1, 2000). Each of the foregoing patent applications and provisional patent applications is herein incorporated by reference in their entirety.

A compound of formula 1 may also be used with other agents useful in treating
30 abnormal cell growth or cancer, including, but not limited to, agents capable of enhancing antitumor immune responses, such as CTLA4 (cytotoxic lymphocyte antigen 4) antibodies, and other agents capable of blocking CTLA4; and anti-proliferative agents such as other farnesyl protein transferase inhibitors, for example the farnesyl protein transferase inhibitors described in the references cited in the "Background" section, *supra*. Specific CTLA4
35 antibodies that can be used in the present invention include those described in United States Provisional Application 60/113,647 (filed December 23, 1998) which is herein incorporated by reference in its entirety.

"Abnormal cell growth", as used herein, unless otherwise indicated, refers to cell growth that is independent of normal regulatory mechanisms (e.g., loss of contact inhibition). This includes the abnormal growth of: (1) tumor cells (tumors) that proliferate by expressing a mutated tyrosine kinase or overexpression of a receptor tyrosine kinase; (2) benign and malignant cells of other proliferative diseases in which aberrant tyrosine kinase activation occurs; (4) any tumors that proliferate by receptor tyrosine kinase activation; (5) any tumors that proliferate by aberrant serine/threonine kinase activation; and (6) benign and malignant cells of other proliferative diseases in which aberrant serine/threonine kinase activation occurs..

The term "treating", as used herein, unless otherwise indicated, means reversing, alleviating, inhibiting the progress of, or preventing the disorder or condition to which such term applies, or one or more symptoms of such disorder or condition. The term "treatment", as used herein, unless otherwise indicated, refers to the act of treating as "treating" is defined immediately above.

The term "halo", as used herein, unless otherwise indicated, includes fluoro, chloro, bromo or iodo. Preferred halo groups are fluoro and chloro.

The term "alkyl", as used herein, unless otherwise indicated, includes saturated monovalent hydrocarbon radicals having straight, cyclic (including mono- or multi-cyclic moieties) or branched moieties. It is understood that for said alkyl group to include cyclic moieties it must contain at least three carbon atoms.

The term "cycloalkyl", as used herein, unless otherwise indicated, includes saturated monovalent hydrocarbon radicals having cyclic (including mono- or multi-cyclic) moieties.

The term "alkenyl", as used herein, unless otherwise indicated, includes alkyl groups, as defined above, having at least one carbon-carbon double bond.

The term "alkynyl", as used herein, unless otherwise indicated, includes alkyl groups, as defined above, having at least one carbon-carbon triple bond.

The term "aryl", as used herein, unless otherwise indicated, includes an organic radical derived from an aromatic hydrocarbon by removal of one hydrogen, such as phenyl or naphthyl.

The term "alkoxy", as used herein, unless otherwise indicated, includes -O-alkyl groups wherein alkyl is as defined above.

The term "Me" means methyl, "Et" means ethyl, and "Ac" means acetyl.

The phrase "pharmaceutically acceptable salt(s)", as used herein, unless otherwise indicated, includes salts of acidic or basic groups which may be present in the compounds of the present invention. The compounds of the present invention that are basic in nature are capable of forming a wide variety of salts with various inorganic and organic acids. The acids that may be used to prepare pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salts of such basic compounds are those that form non-toxic acid addition salts, i.e., salts containing pharmacologically acceptable anions, such as the hydrochloride, hydrobromide, hydroiodide, nitrate, sulfate, bisulfate, phosphate, acid phosphate, isonicotinate, acetate, lactate, salicylate, citrate, acid citrate, tartrate,

pantothenate, bitartrate, ascorbate, succinate, maleate, gentisinate, fumarate, gluconate, glucuronate, saccharate, formate, benzoate, glutamate, methanesulfonate, ethanesulfonate, benzenesulfonate, p-toluenesulfonate and pamoate [i.e., 1,1'-methylene-bis-(2-hydroxy-3-naphthoate)] salts. The compounds of the present invention that include a basic moiety, such as
5 an amino group, may form pharmaceutically acceptable salts with various amino acids, in addition to the acids mentioned above.

The phrase "substantially pure", as used herein, unless otherwise indicated, refers to purity of chemical compounds wherein the said compounds are at least 90%, and in one embodiment at least 95%, and in one embodiment at least 99% pure.

10 Those compounds of the present invention that are acidic in nature are capable of forming base salts with various pharmacologically acceptable cations. Examples of such salts include the alkali metal or alkaline earth metal salts and, particularly, the calcium, magnesium, sodium and potassium salts of the compounds of the present invention.

Certain functional groups contained within the compounds of the present invention can
15 be substituted for bioisosteric groups, that is, groups which have similar spatial or electronic requirements to the parent group, but exhibit differing or improved physicochemical or other properties. Suitable examples are well known to those of skill in the art, and include, but are not limited to moieties described in Patini et al., Chem. Rev, 1996, 96, 3147-3176 and references cited therein.

20 The compounds of the present invention may have asymmetric centers and therefore may exist in different enantiomeric and diastereomeric forms. This invention relates to the use of all optical isomers and stereoisomers of the compounds of the present invention, and mixtures thereof, and to all pharmaceutical compositions and methods of treatment that may employ or contain them. The compounds of formula 1 may also exist as tautomers. This invention relates
25 to the use of all such tautomers and mixtures thereof.

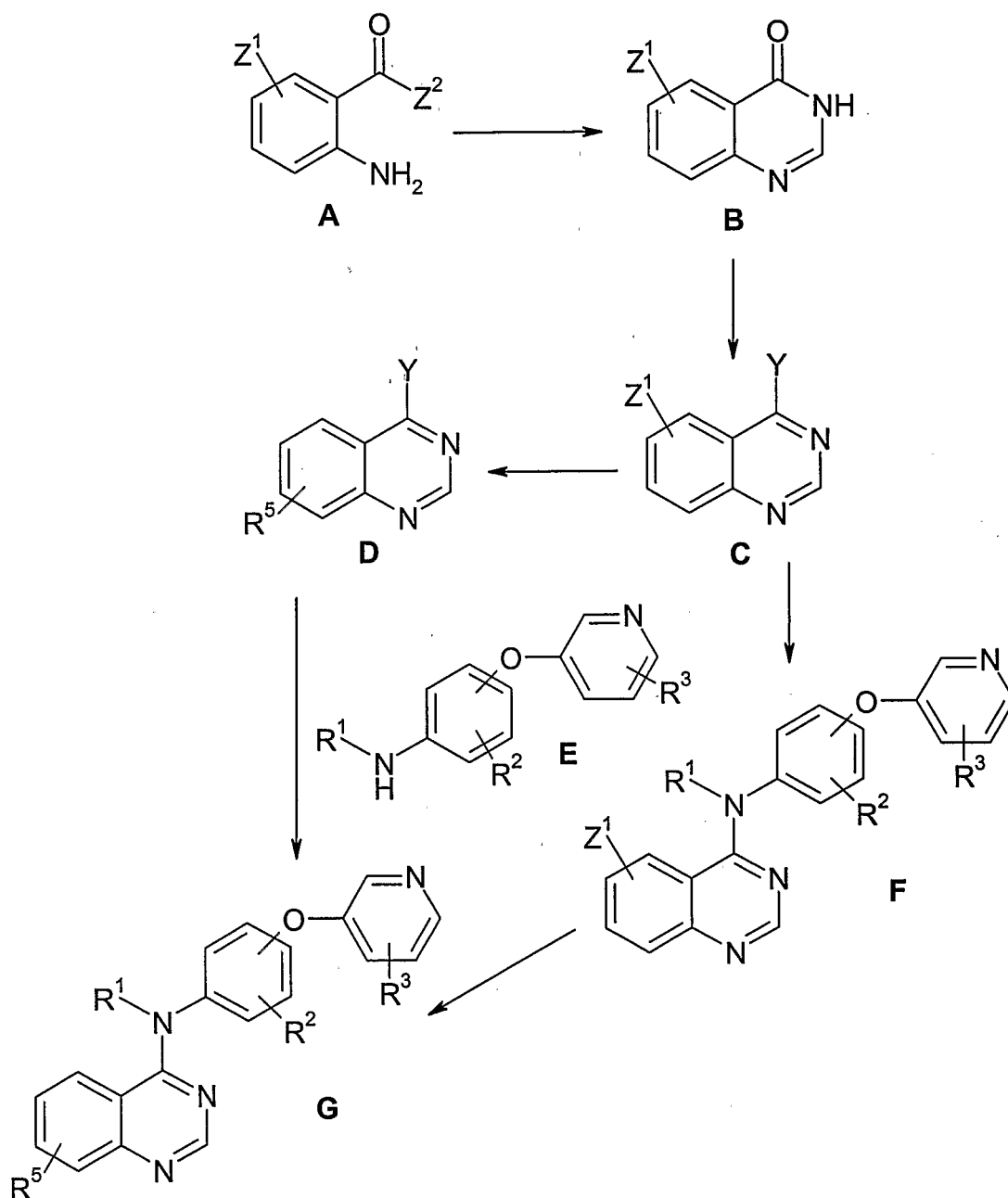
The subject invention also includes isotopically-labelled compounds, and the pharmaceutically acceptable salts, solvates and prodrugs thereof, which are identical to those recited in formula 1, but for the fact that one or more atoms are replaced by an atom having
30 an atomic mass or mass number different from the atomic mass or mass number usually found in nature. Examples of isotopes that can be incorporated into compounds of the invention include isotopes of hydrogen, carbon, nitrogen, oxygen, phosphorous, fluorine and chlorine, such as ^2H , ^3H , ^{13}C , ^{14}C , ^{15}N , ^{18}O , ^{17}O , ^{35}S , ^{18}F , and ^{36}Cl , respectively. Compounds of the present invention, prodrugs thereof, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts of said
35 compounds or of said prodrugs which contain the aforementioned isotopes and/or other isotopes of other atoms are within the scope of this invention. Certain isotopically-labelled compounds of the present invention, for example those into which radioactive isotopes such as ^3H and ^{14}C are incorporated, are useful in drug and/or substrate tissue distribution assays.

Tritiated, i.e., ^3H , and carbon-14, i.e., ^{14}C , isotopes are particularly preferred for their ease of preparation and detectability. Further, substitution with heavier isotopes such as deuterium, i.e., ^2H , can afford certain therapeutic advantages resulting from greater metabolic stability, for example increased *in vivo* half-life or reduced dosage requirements and, hence, may be preferred in some circumstances. Isotopically labelled compounds of formula **1** of this invention and prodrugs thereof can generally be prepared by carrying out the procedures disclosed in the Schemes and/or in the Examples and Preparations below, by substituting a readily available isotopically labelled reagent for a non-isotopically labelled reagent.

This invention also encompasses pharmaceutical compositions containing and methods of treating bacterial infections through administering prodrugs of compounds of the formula **1**. Compounds of formula **1** having free amino, amido, hydroxy or carboxylic groups can be converted into prodrugs. Prodrugs include compounds wherein an amino acid residue, or a polypeptide chain of two or more (e.g., two, three or four) amino acid residues is covalently joined through an amide or ester bond to a free amino, hydroxy or carboxylic acid group of compounds of formula **1**. The amino acid residues include but are not limited to the 20 naturally occurring amino acids commonly designated by three letter symbols and also includes 4-hydroxyproline, hydroxylysine, demosine, isodemosine, 3-methylhistidine, norvalin, beta-alanine, gamma-aminobutyric acid, citrulline homocysteine, homoserine, ornithine and methionine sulfone. Additional types of prodrugs are also encompassed. For instance, free carboxyl groups can be derivatized as amides or alkyl esters. Free hydroxy groups may be derivatized using groups including but not limited to hemisuccinates, phosphate esters, dimethylaminoacetates, and phosphoryloxymethyloxycarbonyls, as outlined in *Advanced Drug Delivery Reviews*, **1996**, 19, 115. Carbamate prodrugs of hydroxy and amino groups are also included, as are carbonate prodrugs, sulfonate esters and sulfate esters of hydroxy groups. Derivatization of hydroxy groups as (acyloxy)methyl and (acyloxy)ethyl ethers wherein the acyl group may be an alkyl ester, optionally substituted with groups including but not limited to ether, amine and carboxylic acid functionalities, or where the acyl group is an amino acid ester as described above, are also encompassed. Prodrugs of this type are described in *J. Med. Chem.* **1996**, 39, 10. Free amines can also be derivatized as amides, sulfonamides or phosphonamides. All of these prodrug moieties may incorporate groups including but not limited to ether, amine and carboxylic acid functionalities.

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SCHEME 1



General synthetic methods which may be referred to for preparing the compounds of the present invention are provided in United States patent 5,747,498 (issued May 5, 1998), United States patent application serial number 08/953078 (filed October 17, 1997), WO 98/02434 (published January 22, 1998), WO 98/02438 (published January 22, 1998), WO 96/40142 (published December 19, 1996), WO 96/09294 (published March 6, 1996), WO 97/03069 (published January 30, 1997), WO 95/19774 (published July 27, 1995) and WO 97/13771 (published April 17, 1997). Additional procedures are referred to in WO00/44728 (published August 3, 2000), EP 1029853A1 (published August 23, 2000), and WO01/98277 (published December 12, 2001). The foregoing patents and patent applications are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety. Certain starting materials may be prepared according to methods familiar to those skilled in the art and certain synthetic modifications may be done according to methods familiar to those skilled in the art. A standard procedure for preparing 6-iodoquinazolinone is provided in Stevenson, T. M., Kazmierczak, F., Leonard, N. J., J. Org. Chem. 1986, 51, 5, p. 616. Palladium catalyzed Heck couplings are described in Heck et. al. Organic Reactions, 1982, 27, 345 or Cabri et. al. in Acc. Chem. Res. 1995, 28, 2.

Starting materials, the synthesis of which is not specifically described above, are either commercially available or can be prepared using methods well known to those of skill in the art.

In each of the reactions discussed or illustrated in the Schemes above, pressure is not critical unless otherwise indicated. Pressures from about 0.5 atmospheres to about 5 atmospheres are generally acceptable, and ambient pressure, i.e., about 1 atmosphere, is preferred as a matter of convenience.

With reference to Scheme 1 above, the compound of formula **1** may be prepared by coupling the compound of formula D wherein R⁵ is defined above, with an amine of formula **E** wherein R¹, R², and R³ are as defined above, in an anhydrous solvent, in particular a solvent selected from DMF (N,N-dimethylformamide), DME (ethylene glycol dimethyl ether), DCE (dichloroethane) and *t*-butanol, and phenol, or a mixture of the foregoing solvents, a temperature within the range of about 50-150°C for a period ranging from 1 hour to 48 hours. The heteroaryloxyanilines of formula E may be prepared by methods known to those skilled in the art, such as, reduction of the corresponding nitro intermediates. Reduction of aromatic nitro groups may be performed by methods outlined in Brown, R. K., Nelson, N. A. J. Org. Chem. 1954, p. 5149; Yuste, R., Saldana, M., Walls, F., Tet. Lett. 1982, 23, 2, p. 147; or in WO 96/09294, referred to above. Appropriate heteroaryloxy nitrobenzene derivatives may be prepared from halo nitrobenzene precursors by nucleophilic displacement of the halide with an appropriate alcohol as described in Dinsmore, C.J. et. al., Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett., 7, 10, 1997, 1345; Loupy, A. et. al., Synth. Commun., 20, 18, 1990, 2855; or Brunelle, D. J., Tet. Lett., 25, 32, 1984, 3383. Compounds of formula E in which R¹ is a C₁-C₆ alkyl group may be prepared by reductive amination of the parent aniline with R¹CH(O). The compound of formula D may be prepared by treating a compound of formula C, wherein Z¹ is an activating group, such

as bromo, iodo, -N₂, or -OTf (which is -OSO₂CF₃), or the precursor of an activating group such as NO₂, NH₂ or OH, with a coupling partner, such as a terminal alkyne, terminal alkene, vinyl halide, vinyl stannane, vinylborane, alkyl borane, or an alkyl or alkenyl zinc reagent. The compound of formula C can be prepared by treating a compound of formula B with a chlorinating reagent such as POCl₃, SOCl₂ or ClC(O)C(O)Cl/DMF in a halogenated solvent at a temperature ranging from about 60°C to 150°C for a period ranging from about 2 to 24 hours which in turn can be treated with sodium aryloxide in solvent such as aromatic phenols at a temperature ranging from 25 C to 90C. In formula C and D, Y is -Cl or -OAr, where Ar is an aryl group, such as phenyl.

Any compound of formula 1 can be converted into another compound of formula 1 by standard manipulations to the R⁵ group. These methods are known to those skilled in the art and include a) removal of a protecting group by methods outlined in T. W. Greene and P.G.M. Wuts, "Protective Groups in Organic Synthesis", Second Edition, John Wiley and Sons, New York, 1991; and b) displacement of a leaving group (halide, mesylate, tosylate, etc) with a primary or secondary amine, thiol or alcohol to form a secondary or tertiary amine, thioether or ether, respectively.

The compounds of formulas 1 that are basic in nature are capable of forming a wide variety of different salts with various inorganic and organic acids. Although such salts must be pharmaceutically acceptable for administration to animals, it is often desirable in practice to initially isolate the compound of formula 1 from the reaction mixture as a pharmaceutically unacceptable salt and then simply convert the latter back to the free base compound by treatment with an alkaline reagent and subsequently convert the latter free base to a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt. The acid addition salts of the base compounds of this invention are readily prepared by treating the base compound with a substantially equivalent amount of the chosen mineral or organic acid in an aqueous solvent medium or in a suitable organic solvent, such as methanol or ethanol. Upon careful evaporation of the solvent, the desired solid salt is readily obtained. The desired acid salt can also be precipitated from a solution of the free base in an organic solvent by adding to the solution an appropriate mineral or organic acid.

Those compounds of formula 1 that are acidic in nature are capable of forming base salts with various pharmacologically acceptable cations. Examples of such salts include the alkali metal or alkaline-earth metal salts and particularly, the sodium and potassium salts. These salts are all prepared by conventional techniques. The chemical bases which are used as reagents to prepare the pharmaceutically acceptable base salts of this invention are those which form non-toxic base salts with the acidic compounds of formula 1. Such non-toxic base salts include those derived from such pharmacologically acceptable cations as sodium, potassium calcium and magnesium, etc. These salts can easily be prepared by treating the corresponding

acidic compounds with an aqueous solution containing the desired pharmacologically acceptable cations, and then evaporating the resulting solution to dryness, preferably under reduced pressure. Alternatively, they may also be prepared by mixing lower alkanolic solutions of the acidic compounds and the desired alkali metal alkoxide together, and then evaporating the resulting solution to dryness in the same manner as before. In either case, stoichiometric quantities of reagents are preferably employed in order to ensure completeness of reaction and maximum yields of the desired final product. Since a single compound of the present invention may include more than one acidic or basic moieties, the compounds of the present invention may include mono, di or tri-salts in a single compound.

10 The compounds of the present invention are potent inhibitors of the erbB family of oncogenic and protooncogenic protein tyrosine kinases, in particular *erbB2*, and thus are all adapted to therapeutic use as antiproliferative agents (e.g., anticancer) in mammals, particularly in humans. In particular, the compounds of the present invention are useful in the prevention and treatment of a variety of human hyperproliferative disorders such as malignant and benign tumors of the liver, kidney, bladder, breast, gastric, ovarian, colorectal, prostate, pancreatic, lung, vulval, thyroid, hepatic carcinomas, sarcomas, glioblastomas, head and neck, and other hyperplastic conditions such as benign hyperplasia of the skin (e.g., psoriasis) and benign hyperplasia of the prostate (e.g., BPH). It is, in addition, expected that a compound of the present invention may possess activity against a range of leukemias and lymphoid malignancies.

20 The compounds of the present invention may also be useful in the treatment of additional disorders in which aberrant expression ligand/receptor interactions or activation or signalling events related to various protein tyrosine kinases, are involved. Such disorders may include those of neuronal, glial, astrocytal, hypothalamic, and other glandular, macrophagal, epithelial, stromal, and blastocoelic nature in which aberrant function, expression, activation or signalling of the erbB tyrosine kinases are involved. In addition, the compounds of the present invention may have therapeutic utility in inflammatory, angiogenic and immunologic disorders involving both identified and as yet unidentified tyrosine kinases that are inhibited by the compounds of the present invention.

30 The compounds of the present invention may also be useful as biomarkers for the metabolism of *E*-2-Methoxy-N-(3-{4-[3-methyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-acetamide and may further be used to determine its rate of absorption and metabolic breakdown in mammals, such as humans.

The *in vitro* activity of the compounds of formula **1** may be determined by the following procedure.

35 The c-erbB2 kinase assay is similar to that described previously in Schrang et. al. Anal. Biochem. 211, 1993, p233-239. Nunc MaxiSorp 96-well plates are coated by incubation overnight at 37°C with 100 mL per well of 0.25 mg/mL Poly (Glu, Tyr) 4:1 (PGT) (Sigma Chemical Co., St. Louis, MO) in PBS (phosphate buffered saline). Excess PGT is removed by

aspiration, and the plate is washed three times with wash buffer (0.1% Tween 20 in PBS). The kinase reaction is performed in 50 mL of 50 mM HEPES (pH 7.5) containing 125 mM sodium chloride, 10 mM magnesium chloride, 0.1 mM sodium orthovanadate, 1 mM ATP, 0.48 mg/mL (24 ng/well) c-erbB2 intracellular domain. The intracellular domain of the erbB2 tyrosine kinase (amino acids 674-1255) is expressed as a GST fusion protein in Baculovirus and purified by binding to and elution from glutathione coated beads. The compound in DMSO (dimethylsulfoxide) is added to give a final DMSO concentration of about 2.5%. Phosphorylation was initiated by addition of ATP (adenosine triphosphate) and proceeded for 6 minutes at room temperature, with constant shaking. The kinase reaction is terminated by aspiration of the reaction mixture and subsequent washing with wash buffer (see above). Phosphorylated PGT is measured by 25 minutes of incubation with 50 mL per well HRP-conjugated PY54 (Oncogene Science Inc. Uniondale, NY) antiphosphotyrosine antibody, diluted to 0.2 mg/mL in blocking buffer (3% BSA and 0.05% Tween 20 in PBS). Antibody is removed by aspiration, and the plate is washed 4 times with wash buffer. The colorimetric signal is developed by addition of TMB Microwell Peroxidase Substrate (Kirkegaard and Perry, Gaithersburg, MD), 50 mL per well, and stopped by the addition of 0.09 M sulfuric acid, 50 mL per well. Phosphotyrosine is estimated by measurement of absorbance at 450 nm. The signal for controls is typically 0.6-1.2 absorbance units, with essentially no background in wells without the PGT substrate and is proportional to the time of incubation for 10 minutes. Inhibitors were identified by reduction of signal relative to wells without inhibitor and IC₅₀ values corresponding to the concentration of compound required for 50% inhibition are determined. The compounds exemplified herein which correspond to formula **1** have IC₅₀ values of < 10 μ M against erbB2 kinase.

The activity of the compounds of formula **1**, *in vivo*, can be determined by the amount of inhibition of tumor growth by a test compound relative to a control. The tumor growth inhibitory effects of various compounds are measured according to the method of Corbett T.H., et al., "Tumor Induction Relationships in Development of Transplantable Cancers of the Colon in Mice for Chemotherapy Assays, with a Note on Carcinogen Structure", Cancer Res., 35, 2434-2439 (1975) and Corbett T.H., et al., "A Mouse Colon-tumor Model for Experimental Therapy", Cancer Chemother. Rep. (Part 2)", 5, 169-186 (1975), with slight modifications. Tumors are induced in the left flank by subcutaneous (sc) injection of 1-5 million log phase cultured tumor cells (murine FRE-ErbB2 cells or human SK-OV3 ovarian carcinoma cells) suspended in 0.1 ml RPMI 1640 medium. After sufficient time has elapsed for the tumors to become palpable (100-150 mm³ in size/5-6 mm in diameter) the test animals (athymic female mice) are treated with test compound (formulated at a concentration of 10 to 15 mg/ml in 5 Gelucire) by the intraperitoneal (ip) or oral (po) route of administration once or twice daily for 7 to 10 consecutive days. In order to determine an anti-tumor effect, the tumor is measured in

millimeters with a Vernier caliper across two diameters and the tumor size (mm³) is calculated using the formula: Tumor size (mm³) = (length x [width]²)/2, according to the methods of Geran, R.I., et al. "Protocols for Screening Chemical Agents and Natural Products Against Animal Tumors and Other Biological Systems", Third Edition, Cancer Chemother. Rep., **3**, 1-104
5 (1972). Results are expressed as percent inhibition, according to the formula: Inhibition (%) = $(TuW_{control} - TuW_{test})/TuW_{control} \times 100\%$. The flank site of tumor implantation provides reproducible dose/response effects for a variety of chemotherapeutic agents, and the method of measurement (tumor diameter) is a reliable method for assessing tumor growth rates.

Administration of the compounds of the present invention (hereinafter the "active
10 compound(s)") can be effected by any method that enables delivery of the compounds to the site of action. These methods include oral routes, intraduodenal routes, parenteral injection (including intravenous, subcutaneous, intramuscular, intravascular or infusion), topical, and rectal administration.

The amount of the active compound administered will be dependent on the subject
15 being treated, the severity of the disorder or condition, the rate of administration, the disposition of the compound and the discretion of the prescribing physician. However, an effective dosage is in the range of about 0.001 to about 100 mg per kg body weight per day, preferably about 1 to about 35 mg/kg/day, in single or divided doses. For a 70 kg human, this would amount to about 0.05 to about 7 g/day, preferably about 0.2 to about 2.5 g/day. In some instances, dosage levels
20 below the lower limit of the aforesaid range may be more than adequate, while in other cases still larger doses may be employed without causing any harmful side effect, provided that such larger doses are first divided into several small doses for administration throughout the day.

Advantageously, the present invention also provides kits for use by a consumer for treating disease. The kits comprise a) a pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound
25 of the present invention and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, vehicle or diluent; and b) instructions describing a method of using the pharmaceutical composition for treating the specific disease.

A "kit" as used in the instant application includes a container for containing the separate unit dosage forms such as a divided bottle or a divided foil packet. The container
30 can be in any conventional shape or form as known in the art which is made of a pharmaceutically acceptable material, for example a paper or cardboard box, a glass or plastic bottle or jar, a re-sealable bag (for example, to hold a "refill" of tablets for placement into a different container), or a blister pack with individual doses for pressing out of the pack according to a therapeutic schedule. The container employed can depend on the exact
35 dosage form involved, for example a conventional cardboard box would not generally be used to hold a liquid suspension. It is feasible that more than one container can be used together in a single package to market a single dosage form. For example, tablets may be contained in a bottle, which is in turn contained within a box.

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An example of such a kit is a so-called blister pack. Blister packs are well known in the packaging industry and are being widely used for the packaging of pharmaceutical unit dosage forms (tablets, capsules, and the like). Blister packs generally consist of a sheet of relatively stiff material covered with a foil of a preferably transparent plastic material. During the packaging process, recesses are formed in the plastic foil. The recesses have the size and shape of individual tablets or capsules to be packed or may have the size and shape to accommodate multiple tablets and/or capsules to be packed. Next, the tablets or capsules are placed in the recesses accordingly and the sheet of relatively stiff material is sealed against the plastic foil at the face of the foil which is opposite from the direction in which the recesses were formed. As a result, the tablets or capsules are individually sealed or collectively sealed, as desired, in the recesses between the plastic foil and the sheet. Preferably the strength of the sheet is such that the tablets or capsules can be removed from the blister pack by manually applying pressure on the recesses whereby an opening is formed in the sheet at the place of the recess. The tablet or capsule can then be removed via said opening.

It maybe desirable to provide a written memory aid, where the written memory aid is of the type containing information and/or instructions for the physician, pharmacist or subject, e.g., in the form of numbers next to the tablets or capsules whereby the numbers correspond with the days of the regimen which the tablets or capsules so specified should be ingested or a card which contains the same type of information. Another example of such a memory aid is a calendar printed on the card e.g., as follows "First Week, Monday, Tuesday," . . . etc "Second Week, Monday, Tuesday, . . ." etc. Other variations of memory aids will be readily apparent. A "daily dose" can be a single tablet or capsule or several tablets or capsules to be taken on a given day.

Another specific embodiment of a kit is a dispenser designed to dispense the daily doses one at a time. Preferably, the dispenser is equipped with a memory-aid, so as to further facilitate compliance with the regimen. An example of such a memory-aid is a mechanical counter, which indicates the number of daily doses that has been dispensed. Another example of such a memory-aid is a battery-powered micro-chip memory coupled with a liquid crystal readout, or audible reminder signal which, for example, reads out the date that the last daily dose has been taken and/or reminds the patient when the next dose is to be taken.

In still another embodiment of the kits, the pharmaceutical composition may also comprise an additional compound that can be used in combination with a compound of the present invention, or the kit may comprise two pharmaceutical compositions: one containing a compound of the present invention and another containing an additional compound that can be used in combination with a compound of the present invention.

The active compound may be applied as a sole therapy or may involve one or more other anti-tumor substances, for example those selected from, for example, mitotic inhibitors, for

example vinblastine; alkylating agents, for example cisplatin, carboplatin and cyclophosphamide; anti-metabolites, for example 5-fluorouracil, cytosine arabinoside and hydroxyurea, or, for example, one of the preferred anti-metabolites disclosed in European Patent Application No. 239362 such as N-(5-[N-(3,4-dihydro-2-methyl-4-oxoquinazolin-6-ylmethyl)-N-methylamino]-2-thenoyl)-L-glutamic acid; growth factor inhibitors; cell cycle inhibitors; intercalating antibiotics, for example adriamycin and bleomycin; enzymes, for example interferon; and anti-hormones, for example anti-estrogens such as Nolvadex™ (tamoxifen) or, for example anti-androgens such as Casodex™ (4'-cyano-3-(4-fluorophenylsulphonyl)-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-3'-(trifluoromethyl)propionanilide). Such conjoint treatment may be achieved by way of the simultaneous, sequential or separate dosing of the individual components of the treatment.

The pharmaceutical composition may, for example, be in a form suitable for oral administration as a tablet, capsule, pill, powder, sustained release formulations, solution, suspension, for parenteral injection as a sterile solution, suspension or emulsion, for topical administration as an ointment or cream or for rectal administration as a suppository. The pharmaceutical composition may be in unit dosage forms suitable for single administration of precise dosages. The pharmaceutical composition will include a conventional pharmaceutical carrier or excipient and a compound according to the invention as an active ingredient. In addition, it may include other medicinal or pharmaceutical agents, carriers, adjuvants, etc.

Administration of a combination of a compound of the present invention and an additional compound or additional compounds means that these compounds can be administered together as a composition or as part of the same unitary dosage form or in separate dosage forms, administered at the same time or at different times.

Exemplary parenteral administration forms include solutions or suspensions of active compounds in sterile aqueous solutions, for example, aqueous propylene glycol or dextrose solutions. Such dosage forms can be suitably buffered, if desired.

Suitable pharmaceutical carriers include inert diluents or fillers, water and various organic solvents. The pharmaceutical compositions may, if desired, contain additional ingredients such as flavorings, binders, excipients and the like. Thus for oral administration, tablets containing various excipients, such as citric acid may be employed together with various disintegrants such as starch, alginic acid and certain complex silicates and with binding agents such as sucrose, gelatin and acacia. Additionally, lubricating agents such as magnesium stearate, sodium lauryl sulfate and talc are often useful for tableting purposes. Solid compositions of a similar type may also be employed in soft and hard filled gelatin capsules. Preferred materials, therefore, include lactose or milk sugar and high molecular weight polyethylene glycols. When aqueous suspensions or elixirs are desired for oral administration the active compound therein may be combined with various sweetening or flavoring agents,

coloring matters or dyes and, if desired, emulsifying agents or suspending agents, together with diluents such as water, ethanol, propylene glycol, glycerin, or combinations thereof.

Methods of preparing various pharmaceutical compositions with a specific amount of active compound are known, or will be apparent, to those skilled in this art. For examples, see
5 Remington's Pharmaceutical Sciences, Mack Publishing Company, Easter, Pa., 15th Edition (1975).

The examples and preparations provided below further illustrate and exemplify the compounds of the present invention and methods of preparing such compounds. It is to be understood that the scope of the present invention is not limited in any way by the scope of the
10 following examples and preparations. In the following examples molecules with a single chiral center, unless otherwise noted, exist as a racemic mixture. Those molecules with two or more chiral centers, unless otherwise noted, exist as a racemic mixture of diastereomers. Single enantiomers/diastereomers may be obtained by methods known to those skilled in the art.

15 Where HPLC chromatography is referred to in the preparations and examples below, it was performed using a Waters Alliance HPLC system (2690 + 996 photodiode array). Preparative HPLC was performed using a Waters 717 autosampler, 996 PDA, 600 controller. Other details regarding the chromatographic procedures are provided within the examples below.

20 The compounds of the present invention may be synthetically prepared according to the scheme 1 shown above or alternatively they may be prepared using biotransformation techniques well known to those of ordinary skill in the art and as described below.

EXAMPLES

Example 1

25 **General Method for Biotransformation**

A biotransformation can be achieved by those skilled in the art by contacting the substance to be transformed, and other necessary reactants with a variety of living microorganisms or the enzymes derived from them under conditions suitable for a chemical interaction to occur. Subsequently, the products of the reaction are separated and those of
30 interest are purified for elucidation of their chemical structure and physical and biological properties. The enzymes can be present as: purified reagents, in crude extracts or lysates, in intact cells, in solution, in suspension, as covalently attached to a supporting surface, or imbedded in a permeable matrix (e.g., agarose or alginate beads). The substrate and other necessary reactants (e.g., water, air, cofactors) are supplied as the chemistry dictates.

35 Generally, the reaction is carried out in the presence of one or more liquid phases, aqueous and/or organic, to promote mass transfer of the reactants and products. The reaction may or may not be conducted aseptically. The conditions for monitoring the progress

of the reaction and the isolation of the products of the reaction will vary according to the physical properties of the reaction system and the chemistry of the reactants and products, and such variations will be appreciated by those of ordinary skill in the art.

The following are two examples of a laboratory-scale method for carrying out aerobic biotransformations that can be exercised by those skilled in the art to produce compounds of interest. Nutrient medium (e.g., IOWA Medium: dextrose, yeast extract, dipotassium hydrogen phosphate, sodium chloride, soybean flour, water; adjusted to neutral pH) is added to one or more culture vessels (e.g., fermentation tubes or flasks) and then steam-sterilized. Each vessel is aseptically inoculated with growth from an agar culture, a suspension of washed cells or spores, or broth from a liquid nutrient medium culture of the biotransforming microorganism. The vessels are mounted on a shaker designed for fermentation and shaken (e.g., rotary operation at 100-300 rpm) at an appropriate temperature (e.g., 20-40°C) long enough to promote the growth of the microorganism to a suitable population size (e.g., 1-3 days). The parent compound to be transformed (i.e., substrate) is dissolved in water or a suitable water-miscible solvent (e.g., dimethylsulfoxide, dimethylformamide, ethyl alcohol, methyl alcohol). To each of the biotransformation vessels, the resulting solution is aseptically added to achieve the desired concentration of substrate (e.g., 0.1-0.2 mg/mL). The dosed vessels are mounted on the shaker and shaken as before, until the substrate has been converted to product(s) by microbial metabolism (e.g., 1-10 days). The contents of the biotransformation vessel can be mechanically treated (e.g., by filtration or centrifugation) to separate undissolved solids and cells from the aqueous phase or extracted at a pH optimal for extraction of the desired compounds (water-immiscible organic solvents include, but are not limited to, methylene chloride or ethyl acetate). If separated, the solids can be extracted with a suitable water-miscible organic solvent (e.g., methanol). The solvent extract of the solids and the aqueous phase content from the vessels are recovered, combined, and concentrated using suitable methods, e.g., solid phase extraction and drying under reduced pressure. The dried crude is redissolved in a solvent that is compatible with the purification method (e.g., acetonitrile, methanol, water, or HPLC mobile phase). Isolation and purification of the biotransformation product(s) can be achieved by, but not limited to, solid phase extraction (SPE) followed by reversed phase high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC).

The biotransformation product(s) can be monitored during chromatographic separation for example by UV-absorbance and photodiode array spectral profile. Fractions of the HPLC mobile phase containing the product(s) of interest are retained and the product(s) is/are extracted from the mobile phase using suitable methods, e.g., vacuum drying followed by SPE or water-immiscible organic solvent extraction at a pH optimal for extraction of the desired compounds. The solvent eluate from SPE extraction is recovered, filtered to remove solids, and concentrated under reduced pressure to produce dried purified biotransformation

product(s). The chemical structure of the isolated product(s) is determined by mass spectroscopy (MS) and nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR).

Example 2

Preparation of E-N-(3-{4-[3-Hydroxymethyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-2-methoxy-acetamide by microbial biotransformation

Fifty milliliters (50 mL) of IOWA Medium (anhydrous dextrose, 20 g; yeast extract, 5 g; dipotassium hydrogen phosphate, 5 g; sodium chloride, 5 g; soybean flour, 5 g; distilled water, 1 L; adjusted to pH 7.2 with 1N hydrochloric acid) were added to each of twenty-nine 250 mL Erlenmeyer flasks with foam plug closures and were steam-sterilized for 20 minutes at 15 psig and 121°C. Three flasks were aseptically inoculated with 0.5 mL of a cryogenically stored (-80°C) stock of *Streptomyces albulus* (ATCC 12757) mycelium. The inoculated flasks were mounted vertically on a rotary shaker (2-inch throw) and shaken at 210 rpm and 29°C for 2 days (inoculum stage). Then 5 mL of the inoculum stage culture was aseptically transferred to each of the remaining 26 flasks (biotransformation stage). The inoculated biotransformation flasks were mounted vertically on a rotary shaker (2-inch throw) and shaken at 210 rpm and 29°C for 2 days. The methanesulfonate salt of 2-Methoxy-N-(3-{4-[3-methyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-acetamide (i.e., substrate) was dissolved in dimethylsulfoxide (10 mg/mL). To each of the twenty-six biotransformation flasks, 0.5 mL of the resulting solution was aseptically added to give an initial substrate concentration of 0.1 mg/mL (130 mg total in 26 flasks). The dosed flasks were remounted vertically on the rotary shaker and shaken at 210 rpm and 29°C for an additional 3 days. At the end of the 3-day biotransformation period, contents of the biotransformation flasks were combined. The pH of the whole broth was adjusted to 8.5 with 1N sodium hydroxide. The resulting broth was extracted twice with an equal volume of ethyl acetate. The organic phase was concentrated using a rotary evaporator (40°C water bath) then taken to dryness under reduced pressure (Savant Speedvac, low heat, full vacuum setting). Dimethylsulfoxide (0.4 mL) was added to this residue which was then loaded onto a preconditioned Waters C18 SepPak (5 g) for solid phase extraction (the cartridge was preconditioned as per manufacturer's directions). After loading, the column was washed with 24 mL distilled water followed by 24 mL of 25% methanol in water, then 24 mL of 50% methanol in water to remove unwanted material. The compound of interest was eluted with 24 mL 75% methanol in water. The 75% methanol in water fractions were dried under reduced pressure (Savant Speedvac, low temperature setting, full vacuum setting) overnight. Methanol was added to each of the tubes, combining the residues (approximately 0.6 mL) for reversed phase high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC Method 1) to isolate the compound of interest.

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HPLC Method 1Column: Waters SymmetryPrep C18 5 μ 19 x 300 mm.

Mobile phase: linear gradient from 0-20 min.

90:10 to 50:50 over 20 minutes; step to 10:90 at 20.5 min;

hold at 10:90 for 7 minutes

(aqueous buffer [5 mM ammonium acetate, pH 4.5]:
acetonitrile)

Flow rate: 12 mL/min.

Monitor: UV absorbance at 254 nm; photodiode array at 200-
400 nm

Run Time: 27 min.

The title compound had a retention time of approximately 17.2 minutes. HPLC fractions containing the title compound were collected. The pH of the eluate was adjusted to ~8.6 with 1N NaOH then extracted twice with an equal volume of dichloromethane. An aliquot of the organic phase was taken to dryness under a stream of nitrogen gas (40°C water bath) and resuspended in methanol for reversed phase high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC Method 2) for analysis. The compound of interest had a retention time of approximately 14.7 minutes in this analytical assay. The parent compound eluted at approximately 19.3 minutes in the same assay.

HPLC Method 2Column: Waters Symmetry C18 5 μ : 2.1 x 150 mm.

Mobile phase: linear gradient from 0-20 min.;

90:10 to 50:50 over 20 minutes; step to 10:90 at 20.5 min; hold at
10:90 for 7 minutes;

(aqueous buffer [5 mM ammonium acetate, pH 4.5]: acetonitrile)

Flow rate: 0.3 mL/min.

Monitor: UV absorbance at 254 nm; photodiode array at 200-
400 nm

Run Time: 30 min.

The remaining organic phase was concentrated using a rotary evaporator under reduced pressure (40°C water bath) then taken to dryness under reduced pressure (Savant Speedvac, low temperature setting, full vacuum setting). The compound of interest (15.6 mg) was isolated as a yellow powder.

It had UV-light absorbance maxima (λ_{max}) at 242.6 nm, 312.5 nm, and 347 nm. Mass spectrometry: m/z = 486.5.

^1H (CD₃OD): δ 8.78 (s, 1H), 8.65 (d, J=1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.45 (d, J=2.8 Hz, 1H), 8.23 (dd, J=8.7, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d, J=2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (dd, J=8.7, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d, J=8.7 Hz,

1H), 7.81 (dd, J=8.7, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, J=8.7, 1H), 7.21 (d, J=8.7 Hz, 1H) 6.78 (d, J=15.9 Hz, 1H), 6.64 (dt, J=15.9, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 4.74 (s, 2H), 4.14 (dd, J=5.6, 1.2Hz, 2H), 3.98 (s, 2H), 3.48 (s, 3H), 2.73 (s, 3H). ¹³C (CD₃OD) δ 171.6, 161.2, 160.9, 160.5, 154.8, 151.1, 150.4, 150.0, 139.0, 137.9, 134.8, 134.6, 134.3, 132.9, 132.7, 130.8, 128.9, 128.2, 125.9, 125.7, 121.2, 120.0, 119.9, 114.3, 71.7, 58.8, 58.7, 40.6, 18.9.

Example 3

Preparation of E-N-(3-{4-[4-(6-hydroxymethyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-3-methyl-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-2-methoxy-acetamide:

The compound of interest E-N-(3-{4-[4-(6-hydroxymethyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-3-methyl-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-2-methoxy-acetamide was prepared using the procedure described in Example 2 with the following differences as noted below:

The microorganism used was *Streptomyces rimosus* (ATCC 23955) mycelium (instead of *Streptomyces albulus* (ATCC 12757) mycelium). The dosed flasks were shaken for an additional 5 days (instead of 3 days). The title compound had a retention time of approximately 18.5 minutes, using HPLC Method 1 of Example 2. After the HPLC fractions (from HPLC Method 1) were collected, the eluate was then extracted twice with an equal volume of dichloromethane (no pH adjustment of eluate was carried out). The compound of interest had a retention time of approximately 15.3 minutes according to the second high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC Method 2). The parent compound eluted at approximately 19.3 minutes in the same assay. The compound of interest (10.4 mg) was isolated as a yellow powder.

The compound had UV-light absorbance maxima ($\lambda_{\max}$) at 242.6 nm, 312.5 nm, and 347 nm. Mass spectrometry: m/z = 486.5.

¹H (CD₃OD): δ 8.53 (s, 1H), 8.40 (d, J=1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.22 (d, J=2.8 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (dd, J=8.7, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, J=2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, J=8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (dd, J=8.7, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, J=8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (dd, J=8.7, 2.8Hz, 1H), 7.04 (d, J=8.7 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (d, J=15.9 Hz, 1H), 6.53 (dt, J=15.9, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 4.70 (s, 2H), 4.12 (m, 2H), 3.99 (s, 2H), 3.48 (s, 3H), 2.29 (s, 3H). ¹³C (CD₃OD) δ 171.6, 159.3, 155.1, 154.3, 153.7, 151.2, 147.1, 138.0, 136.7, 135.3, 131.9, 130.7, 130.1, 128.5, 127.0, 126.0, 125.4, 123.1, 122.2, 120.4, 120.3, 115.5, 71.7, 64.2, 58.6, 40.6, 15.4.

Example 4

Preparation of E-3-{4-[3-Methyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-acrylic acid

To a cooled (0°C) stirred suspension of NaH (4.8 g, 60%, 0.12 mol) in anhydrous DMF (60 ml) was added dropwise a solution of PhOH (11.3 g, 0.12 mol) in dry DMF (50 mL). After the addition, 4-chloro-6-iodoquinazoline (29 g, 0.1 mol) was added portionwise. Thereafter the cooling bath was removed and the resulting solution was stirred at room

temperature for 1.5 h, quenched with water (300 mL). The product precipitated and was extracted with EtOAc (400 mL). The separated organic layer was washed with aq. NaOH, water, brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated to give 6-iodo-4-phenoxyquinazoline as off-white solid (32.9 g, 94%). Crystallization from EtOAc gave white soft and short needle crystals.

5 A mixture of 6-iodo-4-phenoxyquinazoline (3.5 g, 10 mmol), as prepared in the preceding paragraph, methyl acrylate (6g, 70 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (140 mg, 0.62 mmol) and Ph₃P (320 mg, 1.22 mmol) in Et₃N/DMF was purged with N₂ and the pressure reaction vessel was tightly capped. The reaction was then heated on an oil-bath at 110°C with stirring. Thin layer chromatography indicated that the reaction was complete after 3 hours. The product
10 mixture was then transferred to a round bottomed flask and purged with a stream of N₂ to remove the methyl acrylate. The residue was then dissolved in ethyl acetate, washed with water, brine, dried over sodium sulfate and concentrated to give crude *E*-3-(4-Phenoxy-quinazolin-6-yl)-acrylic acid methyl ester as yellow solid which was recrystallized from ethyl acetate to yield 2.3 g (70%) of pale yellow crystalline solid in two crops.

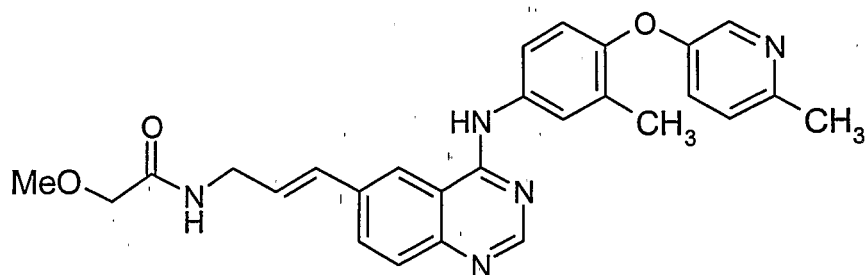
15 A mixture of the product (*E*-3-(4-Phenoxy-quinazolin-6-yl)-acrylic acid methyl ester) from the preceding paragraph (307 mg, 1 mmol) and the desired aniline (215 mg, 1 mmol) was taken up in phenol (2 g) and the resultant mixture heated at 100°C on an oil-bath and a clear solution was obtained. After heating 20h, the brown solution was distilled under reduced pressure to remove phenol. The residue was partitioned between dilute NaOH and methylene
20 chloride. The separated organic layer was washed with brine, dried over sodium sulfate and concentrated to give the crude product, which was purified by chromatography to give pure *E*-3-{4-[3-Methyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-acrylic acid methyl ester (480 mg).

 A mixture of the methyl ester (450 mg, 1 mmol) and LiOH·H₂O (0.63 g, 15 mmol) in
25 methanol/water (10/1 ml) was refluxed for 3 h. After cooling the reaction was neutralized with acetic acid (0.9 g, 15 mmol) in 2 mL of H₂O to pH 6.0. A clear solution was obtained initially and the acid product precipitated later as a yellow solid, which was collected by vacuum filtration and dried to give the final product *E*-3-{4-[3-Methyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-acrylic acid as a yellow solid (280 mg, 68%).

30 ¹H (CD₃OD): δ 2.24 (s, 3H), 2.48 (s, 3H), 6.70 (d, J=16 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (d, 1H), 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.6 (m, 1H), 7.69 (m, 1H), 7.76 (m, 1H), 7.78 (d, J=16 Hz, 1H), 8.1 (m, 2H), 8.5 (s, 1H), 8.6 (d, 1H). m/z (ES+) (M+1) 413.4. HPLC Rt=4.831 mins.

 The compounds of the present invention can also be produced in mixtures as metabolites of the *E*-2-Methoxy-N-(3-{4-[3-methyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-
35 quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-acetamide whose structure is shown below.

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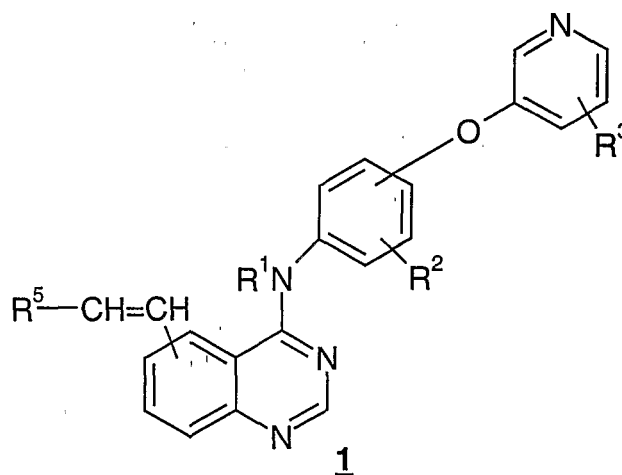


- As such, E-2-Methoxy-N-(3-{4-[3-methyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-acetamide can be incubated with mouse, rat, monkey, dog, and human hepatic tissue preparations (slices, homogenates, hepatocytes, microsomes) or with
- 5 recombinant enzymes (e.g., human CYP containing insect cell microsomes). Bile, urine, and plasma samples can be collected, and further worked up to obtain samples of mixtures of metabolites. These samples can then be subjected to separation by HPLC, and analyzed by standard instrumentation techniques such as mass spectrometry, NMR and UV.

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What is claimed is:

1. A compound of the formula 1



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, solvate or prodrug thereof, wherein:

- 5 R^1 is selected from the group consisting of H and C_1 - C_6 alkyl;

R^2 is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 - C_{10} alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, and C_1 - C_6 hydroxyalkyl group;

R^3 is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 hydroxyalkyl, and $C(O)OR^4$ wherein R^4 is selected from the group consisting of H and C_1 - C_6 alkyl;

- 10 R^5 is selected from the group consisting of $-C(O)OH$ and $-(CR^6R^7)_m-NR^1R^8$ wherein m is an integer from 0 to 3; each R^6 and R^7 is independently selected from the group consisting of H and C_1 - C_6 alkyl, and wherein R^8 is selected from the group consisting of C_1 - C_6 alkyl and $-C(O)-(CR^6R^7)_m-O(C_1-C_6 \text{ alkyl})$; wherein the compound of formula 1 is further optionally substituted by a hydroxy or an O-glucuronic acid substituent.

- 15 2. The compound according to claim 1, wherein R^1 is H, R^2 is hydroxymethyl, R^3 is methyl, and R^5 is $-CH_2NHC(O)CH_2OCH_3$.

3. The compound according to claim 1, wherein R^1 is H, R^2 is methyl, R^3 is hydroxymethyl, and R^5 is $-CH_2NHC(O)CH_2OCH_3$.

4. The compound of to claim 1, wherein R^1 is H, R^2 is methyl, R^3 is methyl, and
20 R^5 is $-C(O)OH$.

5. The compound according to claim 1, wherein R^1 is H, R^2 is methyl, R^3 is $-COOH$, and R^5 is $-CH_2NHC(O)CH_2OCH_3$.

6. The compound according to claim 1, wherein the compound of formula 1 further comprises a hydroxy substituent, and wherein R^1 is H, R^2 is methyl, R^3 is methyl, and R^5
25 is $-CH_2NHC(O)CH_2OCH_3$.

7. The compound according to claim 1, wherein the compound of formula 1 further comprises a hydroxy substituent, and wherein R^1 is H, R^2 is methyl, R^3 is hydroxymethyl, and R^5 is $-CH_2NHC(O)CH_2OCH_3$.

8. The compound according to claim 1, wherein R¹ is H, R² is hydroxymethyl, R³ is methyl, and R⁵ is -CH₂NHC(O)CH₂OH.

9. The compound according to claim 1, wherein the compound of formula 1 further comprises an -O-glucuronic acid substituent.

5 10. The compound according to claim 1, wherein said compound is substantially pure.

11. A method for the treatment of abnormal cell growth in a mammal comprising administering to said mammal an amount of a compound of claim 1 that is effective in treating abnormal cell growth.

10 12. A pharmaceutical composition for the treatment of abnormal cell growth in a mammal comprising an amount of a compound of claim 1 that is effective in treating abnormal cell growth, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

13. A method of determining if a patient has been administered *E*-2-Methoxy-N-(3-{4-[3-methyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-3-yloxy)-phenylamino]-quinazolin-6-yl}-allyl)-acetamide, the
15 method comprising the step of determining if a plasma, urine, bile or fecal sample obtained from the patient shows the presence of the compound of claim 1.

14. A kit for the treatment of abnormal cell growth comprising a) a pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, vehicle or diluent; and b) instructions describing a method of using the pharmaceutical
20 composition for treating the abnormal cell growth.