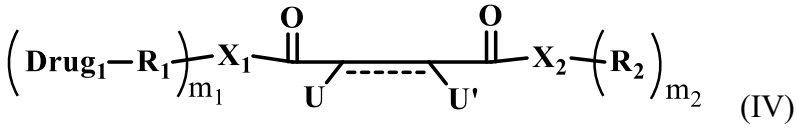
CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A compound of Formula (IV):



(IV)

Wherein:

---- represents either a single bond, or a double bond;

$Drug_1$ represents a cytotoxic agent or a drug;

R_1 is absent, or selected from the group consisting of C_1-C_8 of alkyl; C_2-C_8 of heteroalkyl, alkylcycloalkyl, or heterocycloalkyl; C_3-C_8 of aryl, Ar-alkyl, heterocyclic, carbocyclic, cycloalkyl, heteroalkylcycloalkyl, alkylcarbonyl, or heteroaryl; C_1-C_8 of esters, ether, or amide; polyethyleneoxy unit of formula $(OCH_2CH_2)_p$ or $(OCH_2CH(CH_3))_p$, wherein p is an integer from 0 to about 1000, and a combination thereof; or R_1 is a chain of atoms selected from the group consisting of C, N, O, S, Si, and P;

X_1 and X_2 are independently selected from the group consisting of NH; NHNH; $N(R_3)$; $N(R_3)N(R_{3'})$; O; S; $B(R_3)$; $Si(R_3)N(R_{3'})$; $P(O)(R_3)$; C_1-C_8 of alkyl; C_2-C_8 of heteroalkyl, alkylcycloalkyl, or heterocycloalkyl; C_3-C_8 of aryl, Ar-alkyl, heterocyclic, carbocyclic, cycloalkyl, heteroalkylcycloalkyl, alkylcarbonyl, or heteroaryl; 1-8 amino acids; wherein R_3 and $R_{3'}$ are independently H; C_1-C_8 of alkyl; C_2-C_8 of heteroalkyl, alkylcycloalkyl, or heterocycloalkyl; C_3-C_8 of aryl, Ar-alkyl, heterocyclic, carbocyclic, cycloalkyl, heteroalkylcycloalkyl, alkylcarbonyl, or heteroaryl; C_1-C_8 of esters, ether, or amide; polyethyleneoxy unit of formula $(OCH_2CH_2)_p$ or $(OCH_2CH(CH_3))_p$, wherein p is an integer from 0 to about 1000, and a combination thereof;

U and U' are independently H or a leaving group that can react with a thiol, provided that when ---- represents a single bond, both U and U' are not H; and when ---- represents a double bond, at least one of U and U' is the leaving group;

R_2 is independently selected from the group consisting of OH, H, NH_2; SH; $NHNH_2$; $N(R_3)(R_{3'})$; $N(R_3)NH(R_{3'})$; polyethyleneoxy unit of formula $(OCH_2CH_2)_pOR_3$, $(OCH_2CH(CH_3))_pOR_3$, $NH(CH_2CH_2O)_pR_3$, $NH(CH_2CH(CH_3)O)_pR_3$, $N[(CH_2CH_2O)_pR_3][(CH_2CH_2O)_{p'}R_{3'}]$, $(OCH_2CH_2)_pCOOR_3$, or $CH_2CH_2(OCH_2CH_2)_pCOOR_3$,wherein p and p' are independently an integer selected from 0 to about 1000, or a combination thereof; C_1-C_8 of alkyl; C_2-C_8 of heteroalkyl, alkylcycloalkyl, or heterocycloalkyl; and C_3-C_8 of aryl, Ar-alkyl, heterocyclic, carbocyclic, cycloalkyl, heteroalkylcycloalkyl, alkylcarbonyl, or heteroaryl; wherein R_3 and $R_{3'}$ are independently H; C_1-C_8 of alkyl; C_2-C_8 of heteroalkyl, alkylcycloalkyl, or heterocycloalkyl; C_3-C_8 of aryl, Ar-alkyl, heterocyclic,

carbocyclic, cycloalkyl, heteroalkylcycloalkyl, alkylcarbonyl, or heteroaryl; C_1-C_8 of esters, ether, or amide; 1-8 amino acids; polyethyleneoxy unit of formula $(OCH_2CH_2)_p$ or $(OCH_2CH(CH_3))_p$, wherein p is an integer from 0 to about 1000, or a combination thereof; or a chain of atoms selected from the group consisting of C, N, O, S, Si, and P; and

m_1 and m_2 are independently an integer from 1 to 30.

2. The compound according to claim 1, wherein the leaving group is a halide, methanesulfonyl, toluenesulfonyl, trifluoromethyl-sulfonyl, trifluoromethylsulfonate, nitrophenoxyl, N-succinimidyloxyl, phenoxyl; dinitrophenoxyl; pentafluorophenoxyl, tetrafluorophenoxyl, trifluorophenoxyl, difluorophenoxyl, monofluorophenoxyl, pentachlorophenoxyl, 1H-imidazole-1-yl, chlorophenoxyl, dichlorophenoxyl, trichlorophenoxyl, tetrachlorophenoxyl, N-(benzotriazolyl)oxy 1, 2-ethyl-5-phenylisoxazolium-yl, 2-ethyl-5-phenylisoxazolium-3'-sulfonyl, phenyloxadiazolyl, phenyloxadiazole-sulfonyl, or oxadiazolyl

3. The compound of claim 1, wherein the leaving group is a halide, methanesulfonyl, p-toluenesulfonyl, trifluoromethyl sulfonyl, and trifluoromethylsulfonate.

4. The compound of claim 1, wherein the leaving group is bromide or iodide.

5. The compound of claim 1, wherein: (i) ═ represents a single bond, both U and U' are bromide or iodide; (ii) ═ represents a double bond, both U and U' are bromide or iodide; or (iii) ═ represents a double bond, one of U and U' is bromide or iodide and the other is H.

6. The compound of claim 1, wherein the component



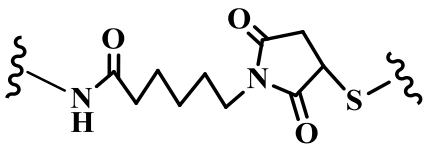
is 2,3-disubstituted succinic group, 2-monosubstituted or 2,3-disubstitutedfumaric group, or 2-monosubstituted or 2,3-disubstitutedmaleic group, and is capable of reacting with a pair of thiols of a cell-binding agent.

7. The compound of claim 1, wherein m_1 and m_2 are independently an integer from 1 to 10.

8. The compound of claim 1, wherein R_1 comprises alkane, alkenylene, alkynylene, ether, polyoxyalkylene, ester, amine, imine, polyamine, hydrazine, hydrazone, amide, urea, semi-carbazide, carbazide, alkoxyamine, alkoxylamine, urethane, amino acid, peptide, acyloxylamine, hydroxamic acid, or a combination of two or more thereof.

9. The compound according to claim 1, wherein R_1, R_2, R_3 or R_3' is a linear alkyl having from 1-6 carbon atoms, or polyethyleneoxy unit of formula $(OCH_2CH_2)_p$, p=l-100.

10. The compound according to claim 1, wherein R_1 or R_2 has independently one or more, or repeating, or a combining thereof, of components depicted in the following:



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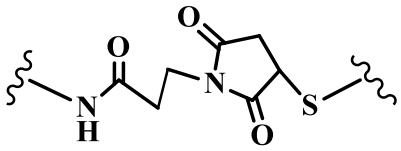

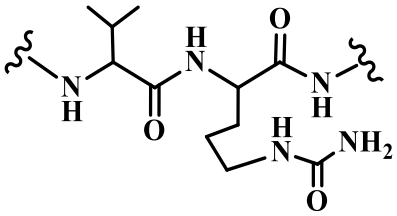

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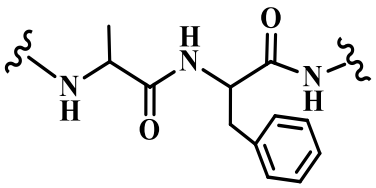

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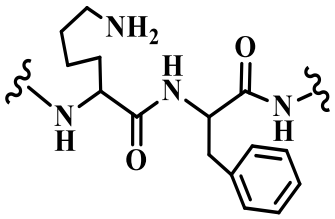

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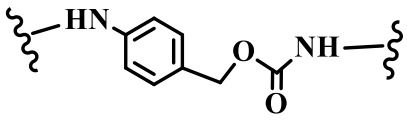

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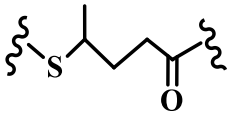

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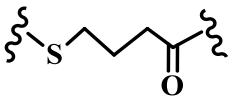

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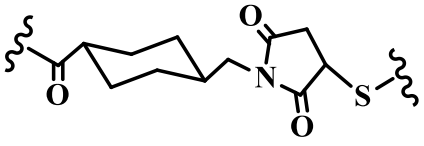

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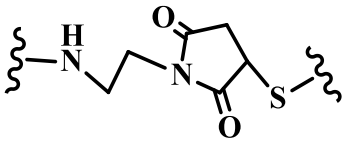

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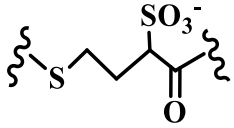

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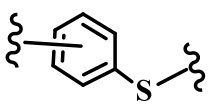

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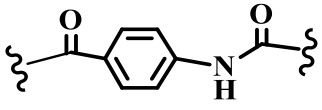
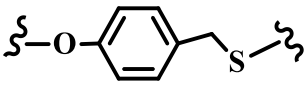
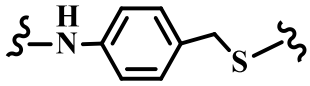
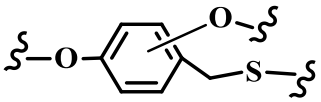
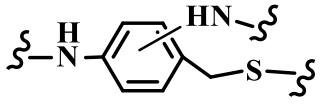
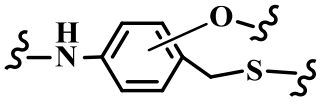
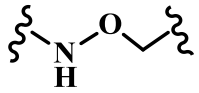
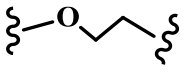
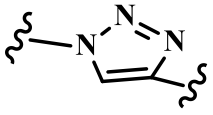
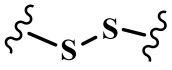
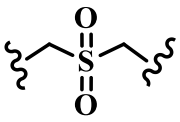
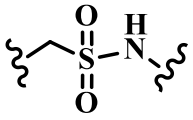
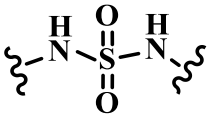
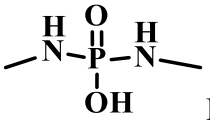
 (4-acetyl)aminobenzoate, , oxylbenzylthio,

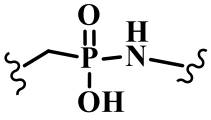
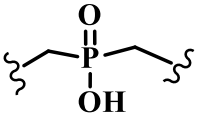
 aminobenzylthio,  dioxylbenzylthio,

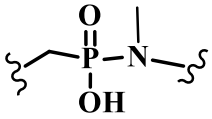
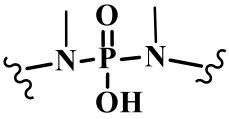
 diaminobenzylthio,  amino-oxylbenzylthio,

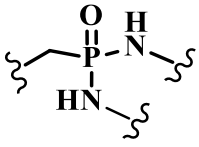
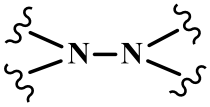
 alkoxy amino,  ethyleneoxy,  4-methyl-4-

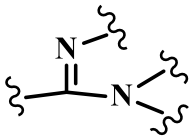
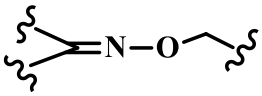
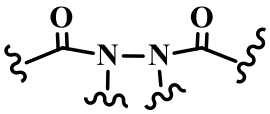
dithio-pentanoic,  triazole,  dithio,  alkylsulfonyl,

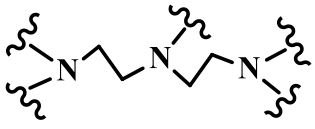
 alkylsulfonamide,  sulfon-bisamide,  Phos-

phondiamide,  alkylphosphonamide,  phosphinic acid,

 N-methylphosphonamidic acid,  N,N'-dimethylphosphon-

amidic acid,  N,N'-dimethylphosphondiamide,  hydrazine,

 acetimidamide;  oxime,  acetylaceto-

hydrazide,  aminoethyl-amine,  aminoethyl-ami-

noethyl-amine, and L- or D-, natural or unnatural peptides containing 1-20 amino acids.

11. The compound of claim **1**, wherein R_1 or R_2 is cleavable by a protease.

12. The Formula (IV) of claim **1,** wherein the $Drug_1$ is independently selected from:

(1). Chemotherapeutic agents: a). Alkylating agents: such as Nitrogen mustards: chlorambucil, chlornaphazine, cyclophosphamide, dacarbazine, estramustine, ifosfamide, mechlorethamine, mechlorethamine oxide hydrochloride, mannomustine, mitobronitol, melphalan, mitolactol, pipobroman, novembichin, phenesterine, prednimustine, thiotepa, trofosfamide, uracil mustard; CC-1065 (including its adozelesin, carzelesin and bizelesin synthetic analogues); duocarmycin (including the synthetic analogues, KW-2189 and CBI-TMI); benzodiazepine dimers (e.g., dimmers of pyrrolobenzodiazepine (PBD) or tomaymycin, indolinobenzodiazepines, imidazobenzothiadiazepines, or oxazolidinobenzodiazepines); Nitrosoureas: (carmustine, lomustine, chlorozotocin, fotemustine, nimustine, ranimustine); Alkylsulphonates: (busulfan, treosulfan, improsulfan and piposulfan); Triazenes: (dacarbazine); Platinum containing compounds: (carboplatin, cisplatin, oxaliplatin); aziridines, such as benzodopa, carboquone, meturedopa, and uredopa; ethylenimines and methylamelamines including altretamine, triethylenemelamine, trietylenephosphoramide, triethylenethiophosphaor-amide and trimethylolomelamine]; b). Plant Alkaloids: such as Vinca alkaloids: (vincristine, vinblastine, vindesine, vinorelbine, navelbin); Taxoids: (paclitaxel, docetaxol) and their analogs, Maytansinoids (DM1, DM2, DM3, DM4, DM5, DM6, DM7, maytansine and ansamitocins) and their analogs, cryptophycins (particularly cryptophycin 1 and cryptophycin 8); epothilones, eleutherobin, discodermolide, bryostatins, dolostatins, auristatins, tubulysins, cephalostatins; pancratistatin; a sarcodictyin; spongistatin; c). DNA Topoisomerase Inhibitors: such as [Epipodophyllins: (9-aminocamptothecin, camptothecin, crisnatol, daunomycin, etoposide, etoposide phosphate, irinotecan, mitoxantrone, novantrone, retinoic acids (retinols), teniposide, topotecan, 9-nitrocamptothecin (RFS 2000)); mitomycins: (mitomycin C)]; d). Antimetabolites: such as {[Anti-folate: DHFR inhibitors: (methotrexate, trimetrexate, denopterin, pteropterin, aminopterin (4-aminopteroic acid) or the other folic acid analogues); IMP dehydrogenase Inhibitors: (mycophenolic acid, tiazofurin, ribavirin, EICAR); Ribonucleotide reductase Inhibitors: (hydroxyurea, deferoxamine)]; [Pyrimidine analogs: Uracil analogs: (ancitabine, azacitidine, 6-azauridine, capecitabine (Xeloda), carmofur, cytarabine, dideoxyuridine, doxifluridine, enocitabine, 5-Fluorouracil, floxuridine, ratitrexed (Tomudex)); Cytosine analogs: (cytarabine, cytosine arabinoside, fludarabine); Purine analogs: (azathioprine, fludarabine, mercaptopurine, thiamiprine, thioguanine)]; folic acid replenisher, such as frolinic acid}; e). Hormonal therapies: such as {Receptor antagonists: [Anti-estrogen: (megestrol, raloxifene, tamoxifen); LHRH agonists: (goscrclin, leuprolide acetate); Anti-androgens: (bicalutamide, flutamide, calusterone, dromostanolone propionate, epitiostanol, goserelin, leuprolide, mepitiostane, nilutamide, testolactone, trilostane and other androgens inhibitors)]; Retinoids/Deltoids: [Vitamin D3 analogs: (CB 1093, EB 1089 KH 1060,

cholecalciferol, ergocalciferol); Photodynamic therapies: (verteporfin, phthalocyanine, photosensitizer Pc4, demethoxy-hypocrellin A); Cytokines: (Interferon-alpha, Interferon-gamma, tumor necrosis factor (TNFs), human proteins containing a TNF domain)]}; f). Kinase inhibitors, such as BIBW 2992 (anti-EGFR/Erb2), imatinib, gefitinib, pegaptanib, sorafenib, dasatinib, sunitinib, erlotinib, nilotinib, lapatinib, axitinib, pazopanib. vandetanib, E7080 (anti-VEGFR2), mubritinib, ponatinib (AP24534), bafetinib (INNO-406), bosutinib (SKI-606), cabozantinib, vismodegib, iniparib, ruxolitinib, CYT387, axitinib, tivozanib, sorafenib, bevacizumab, cetuximab, Trastuzumab, Ranibizumab, Panitumumab, ispinesib; g). antibiotics, such as the enediyne antibiotics (e.g. calicheamicins, especially calicheamicin .γ1, δ1, α1 and β1; dynemicin, including dynemicin A and deoxydynemicin; esperamicin, kedarcidin, C-1027, maduropeptin, as well as neocarzinostatin chromophore and related chromoprotein enediyne antiobiotic chromomophores), aclacinomysins, actinomycin, authramycin, azaserine, bleomycins, cactinomycin, carabicin, carminomycin, carzinophilin; chromomycins, dactinomycin, daunorubicin, detorubicin, 6-diazo-5-oxo-L-norleucine, doxorubicin, morpholino-doxorubicin, cyanomorpholino-doxorubicin, 2-pyrrolino-doxorubicin and deoxydoxorubicin, epirubicin, esorubicin, idarubicin, marcellomycin, nitomycins, mycophe-nolic acid, nogalamycin, olivomycins, peplomycin, potfiromycin, puromycin, quelamycin, rodorubicin, streptonigrin, streptozocin, tubercidin, ubenimex, zinostatin, zorubicin; f). Others: such as Polyketides (acetogenins), especially bullatacin and bullatacinone; gemcitabine, epoxomicins (e. g. carfilzomib), bortezomib, thalidomide, lenalidomide, pomalidomide, tosedostat, zybrestat, PLX4032, STA-9090, Stimuvax, allovectin-7, Xegeva, Provenge, Yervoy, Isoprenylation inhibitors (such as Lovastatin), Dopaminergic neurotoxins (such as 1-methyl-4-phenylpyridinium ion), Cell cycle inhibitors (such as staurosporine), Actinomycins (such as Actinomycin D, dactinomycin), amanitins, Bleomycins (such as bleomycin A2, bleomycin B2, peplomycin), Anthracyclines (such as daunorubicin, doxorubicin (adriamycin), idarubicin, epirubicin, pirarubicin, zorubicin, mtoxantrone, MDR inhibitors (such as verapamil), Ca^{2+}ATPase inhibitors (such as thapsigargin), Histone deacetylase inhibitors (Vorinostat, Romidepsin, Panobinostat, Valproic acid, Mocetinostat (MGCD0103), Belinostat, PCI-24781, Entinostat, SB939, Resminostat, Givinostat, AR-42, CUDC-101, sulforaphane, Trichostatin A) ; Thapsigargin, Celecoxib, glitazones, epigallocatechin gallate, Disulfiram, Salinosporamide A.; Anti-adrenals, such as aminoglutethimide, mitotane, trilostane; aceglatone; aldophosphamide glycoside; aminolevulinic acid; amsacrine; arabinoside, bestrabucil; bisantrene; edatraxate; defofamine; demecolcine; diaziquone; eflornithine (DFMO), elfomithine; elliptinium acetate, etoglucid; gallium nitrate; gacytosine, hydroxyurea; ibandronate, lentinan; lonidamine; mitoguazone; mitoxantrone; mopidamol; nitracrine; pentostatin; phenamet;

pirarubicin; podophyllinic acid; 2-ethylhydrazide; procarbazine; PSK®; razoxane; rhizoxin; sizofiran; spirogermanium; tenuazonic acid; triaziquone; 2, 2',2''-trichlorotriethylamine; trichothecenes (especially T-2 toxin, verrucarin A, roridin A and anguidine); urethane, siRNA, antisense drugs;

(2). Anti-autoimmune disease agents: cyclosporine, cyclosporine A, aminocaproic acid, azathioprine, bromocriptine, chlorambucil, chloroquine, cyclophosphamide, corticosteroids (e.g. amcinonide**,** betamethasone, budesonide**,** hydrocortisone, flunisolide, fluticasone propionate, fluocortolone danazol, dexamethasone, Triamcinolone acetonide, beclometasone dipropionate), DHEA, enanercept, hydroxychloroquine, infliximab, meloxicam, methotrexate, mofetil, mycophenylate, prednisone, sirolimus, tacrolimus.

(3). Anti-infectious disease agents, a). Aminoglycosides: amikacin, astromicin, gentamicin (netilmicin, sisomicin, isepamicin), hygromycin B, kanamycin (amikacin, arbekacin, bekanamycin, dibekacin, tobramycin), neomycin (framycetin, paromomycin, ribostamycin), netilmicin, spectinomycin, streptomycin, tobramycin, verdamicin; b). Amphenicols: azidamfenicol, chloramphenicol, florfenicol, thiamphenicol; c). Ansamycins: geldanamycin, herbimycin; d). Carbapenems: biapenem, doripenem, ertapenem, imipenem/cilastatin, meropenem**,** panipenem; e). Cephems: carbacephem (loracarbef), cefacetrile, cefaclor, cefradine, cefadroxil, cefalonium, cefaloridine, cefalotin or cefalothin, cefalexin, cefaloglycin, cefamandole, cefapirin, cefatrizine, cefazaflur, cefazedone, cefazolin, cefbuperazone, cefcapene, cefdaloxime, cefepime, cefminox, cefoxitin, cefprozil, cefroxadine, ceftezole, cefuroxime, cefixime, cefdinir, cefditoren, cefepime, cefetamet, cefmenoxime, cefodizime, cefonicid, cefoperazone, ceforanide, cefotaxime, cefotiam, cefozopran, cephalexin, cefpimizole, cefpiramide, cefpirome, cefpodoxime, cefprozil, cefquinome, cefsulodin, ceftazidime, cefteram, ceftibuten, ceftiolene, ceftizoxime, ceftobiprole, ceftriaxone, cefuroxime, cefuzonam, *cephamycin* (cefoxitin, cefotetan, cefmetazole), oxacephem (flomoxef, latamoxef); f). Glycopeptides: bleomycin, vancomycin (oritavancin, telavancin), teicoplanin (dalbavancin), ramoplanin; g). Glycylcyclines: e. g. tigecycline; g). β-Lactamase inhibitors: penam (sulbactam, tazobactam), clavam (clavulanic acid); i). Lincosamides: clindamycin, lincomycin; j). Lipopeptides: daptomycin, A54145, calcium-dependent antibiotics (CDA); k). Macrolides: azithromycin, cethromycin, clarithromycin, dirithromycin, erythromycin, flurithromycin, josamycin, ketolide (telithromycin, cethromycin), midecamycin, miocamycin, oleandomycin, rifamycins (rifampicin, rifampin, rifabutin, rifapentine), rokitamycin, roxithromycin, spectinomycin, spiramycin, tacrolimus (FK506), troleandomycin, telithromycin; l). Monobac-tams: aztreonam, tigemonam; m). Oxazolidinones: linezolid; n). Penicillins: amoxicillin, ampicillin (pivampicillin, hetacillin, bacampicillin, metampicillin, talampicillin), azidocillin,

azlocillin, benzylpenicillin, benzathine benzylpenicillin, benzathine phenoxymethylpenicillin, clometocillin, procaine benzylpenicillin, carbenicillin (carindacillin), cloxacillin, dicloxacillin, epicillin, flucloxacillin, mecillinam (pivmecillinam)**,** mezlocillin, meticillin, nafcillin, oxacillin, penamecillin, penicillin, pheneticillin, phenoxymethylpenicillin, piperacillin, propicillin, sulbenicillin, temocillin, ticarcillin; o). Polypeptides: bacitracin, colistin, polymyxin B; p). Quinolones: alatrofloxacin, balofloxacin, ciprofloxacin, clinafloxacin, danofloxacin, difloxacin, enoxacin, enrofloxacin, floxin, garenoxacin, gatifloxacin, gemifloxacin, grepafloxacin, kano trovafloxacin, levofloxacin, lomefloxacin, marbofloxacin, moxifloxacin, nadifloxacin, norfloxacin, orbifloxacin, ofloxacin, pefloxacin, trovafloxacin, grepafloxacin, sitafloxacin, sparfloxacin, temafloxacin, tosufloxacin, trovafloxacin; q). Streptogramins: pristinamycin, quinupristin/dalfopristin); r). Sulfonamides: mafenide, prontosil, sulfacetamide, sulfamethizole, sulfanilimide, sulfasalazine, sulfisoxazole, trimethoprim, trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole (co-trimoxazole); s). Steroid antibacterials: e.g. fusidic acid; t). Tetracyclines: doxycycline, chlortetracycline, clomocycline, demeclocycline, lymecycline, meclocycline, metacycline, minocycline, oxytetracycline, penimepicycline, rolitetracycline, tetracycline, glycylcyclines (e.g. tigecycline); u). Other types of antibiotics: annonacin, arsphenamine, bactoprenol inhibitors (Bacitracin), DADAL/AR inhibitors (cycloserine), dictyostatin, discodermolide, eleutherobin, epothilone, ethambutol, etoposide, faropenem, fusidic acid, furazolidone, isoniazid, laulimalide, metronidazole, mupirocin, mycolactone, NAM synthesis inhibitors (e. g. fosfomycin), nitrofurantoin, paclitaxel, platensimycin, pyrazinamide, quinupristin/dalfopristin, rifampicin (rifampin), tazobactam tinidazole, uvaricin;

(4). Anti-viral drugs: a). Entry/fusion inhibitors: aplaviroc, maraviroc, vicriviroc, *gp41* (enfuvirtide**),** PRO 140**,** CD4 (ibalizumab); b). Integrase inhibitors: raltegravir, elvitegravir, globoidnan A; c). Maturation inhibitors: bevirimat, vivecon; d). Neuraminidase inhibitors**:** oseltamivir, zanamivir, peramivir; e). Nucleosides & nucleotides: abacavir, aciclovir, adefovir, amdoxovir, apricitabine, brivudine, cidofovir, clevudine, dexelvucitabine, didanosine (ddI), elvucitabine, emtricitabine (FTC), entecavir, famciclovir, fluorouracil (5-FU), 3'-fluoro-substituted 2', 3'-dideoxynucleoside analogues (e.g. 3'-fluoro-2',3'-dideoxythymidine (FLT) and 3'-fluoro-2',3'-dideoxyguanosine (FLG), fomivirsen, ganciclovir**,** idoxuridine, lamivudine (3TC), l-nucleosides (e.g. *β*-l-thymidine and *β*-l-2'-deoxycytidine), penciclovir, racivir, ribavirin, stampidine, stavudine (d4T), taribavirin (viramidine), telbivudine, tenofovir, trifluridine valaciclovir, valganciclovir, zalcitabine (ddC), zidovudine (AZT); f). Non-nucleosides: amantadine, ateviridine, capravirine, diarylpyrimidines (etravirine, rilpivirine)**,** delavirdine, docosanol, emivirine, efavirenz, foscarnet (phosphonoformic acid), imiquimod, interferon alfa, loviride, lodenosine,

methisazone, nevirapine, NOV-205, peginterferon alfa, podophyllotoxin, rifampicin, rimantadine, resiquimod (R-848), tromantadine; g). Protease inhibitors: amprenavir**,** atazanavir**,** boceprevir, darunavir, fosamprenavir**,** indinavir, lopinavir**,** nelfinavir, pleconaril, ritonavir**,** saquinavir**,** telaprevir (VX-950), tipranavir; h). Other types of anti-virus drugs: abzyme**,** arbidol, calanolide a, ceragenin, cyanovirin-n, diarylpyrimidines, epigallocatechin gallate (EGCG)**,** foscarnet**,** griffithsin, taribavirin (viramidine), hydroxyurea, KP-1461, miltefosine, pleconaril, portmanteau inhibitors, ribavirin, seliciclib.

(5). A radioisotope that can be selected from (radionuclides) ^{3}H, ^{11}C, ^{14}C, ^{18}F, ^{32}P, ^{35}S, ^{64}Cu, ^{68}Ga, ^{86}Y, ^{99}Tc, ^{111}In, ^{123}I, ^{124}I, ^{125}I, ^{131}I, ^{133}Xe, ^{177}Lu, ^{211}At, or ^{213}Bi.

(6). A chromophore molecule, which can be one that has the ability to absorb a kind of light, such as UV light, florescent light, IR light, near IR light, visual light; A class or subclass of xanthophores, erythrophores, iridophores, leucophores, melanophores, cyanophores, fluorophore molecules which are fluorescent chemical compounds re-emitting light upon light, visual phototransduction molecules, photophore molecules, luminescence molecules, luciferin compounds; Non-protein organic fluorophores, such as: Xanthene derivatives (fluorescein, rhodamine, Oregon green, eosin, and Texas red); Cyanine derivatives: (cyanine, indocarbocyanine, oxacarbocyanine, thiacarbocyanine, and merocyanine); Squaraine derivatives and ring-substituted squaraines, including Seta, SeTau, and Square dyes; Naphthalene derivatives (dansyl and prodan derivatives); Coumarin derivatives; Oxadiazole derivatives (pyridyloxazole, nitrobenzoxadiazole and benzoxadiazole); Anthracene derivatives (anthraquinones, including DRAQ5, DRAQ7 and CyTRAK Orange); Pyrene derivatives (cascade blue, etc); Oxazine derivatives (Nile red, Nile blue, cresyl violet, oxazine 170 etc). Acridine derivatives (proflavin, acridine orange, acridine yellow etc). Arylmethine derivatives (auramine, crystal violet, malachite green). Tetrapyrrole derivatives (porphin, phthalocyanine, bilirubin); Any analogs and derivatives of the following fluorophore compounds: CF dye (Biotium), DRAQ and CyTRAK probes (BioStatus), BODIPY (Invitrogen), Alexa Fluor (Invitrogen), DyLight Fluor (Thermo Scientific, Pierce), Atto and Tracy (Sigma Aldrich), FluoProbes (Interchim), Abberior Dyes (Abberior), DY and MegaStokes Dyes (Dyomics), Sulfo Cy dyes (Cyandye), HiLyte Fluor (AnaSpec), Seta, SeTau and Square Dyes (SETA BioMedicals), Quasar and Cal Fluor dyes (Biosearch Technologies), SureLight Dyes (APC, RPEPerCP, Phycobilisomes)(Columbia Biosciences), APC, APCXL, RPE, BPE (Phyco-Biotech), Allophycocyanin (APC), Aminocoumarin, APC-Cy7 conjugates, BODIPY-FL, Cascade Blue, Cy2, Cy3, Cy3.5, Cy3B, Cy5, Cy5.5, Cy7, Fluorescein, FluorX, Hydroxycoumarin, Lissamine Rhodamine B, Lucifer yellow, Methoxycoumarin, NBD, Pacific Blue, Pacific Orange, PE-Cy5 conjugates, PE-Cy7 conjugates, PerCP, R-

Phycoerythrin(PE), Red 613, Seta-555-Azide, Seta-555-DBCO, Seta-555-NHS, Seta-580-NHS, Seta-680-NHS, Seta-780-NHS, Seta-APC-780, Seta-PerCP-680, Seta-R-PE-670, SeTau-380-NHS, SeTau-405-Maleimide, SeTau-405-NHS, SeTau-425-NHS, SeTau-647-NHS, Texas Red, TRITC, TruRed, X-Rhodamine, 7-AAD (7-aminoactinomycin D, CG-selective), Acridine Orange, Chromomycin A3, CyTRAK Orange (Biostatus, red excitation dark), DAPI, DRAQ5, DRAQ7, Ethidium Bromide, Hoechst33258, Hoechst33342, LDS 751, Mithramycin, PropidiumIodide (PI), SYTOX Blue, SYTOX Green, SYTOX Orange, Thiazole Orange, TO-PRO: Cyanine Monomer, TOTO-1, TO-PRO-1, TOTO-3, TO-PRO-3, YOSeta-1, YOYO-1. The fluorophore compounds that can be linked to the linkers of the invention for study cells are selected from the following compounds or their derivatives: DCFH (2'7'Dichorodihydro-fluorescein, oxidized form), DHR (Dihydrorhodamine 123, oxidized form, light catalyzes oxidation), Fluo-3 (AM ester. pH > 6), Fluo-4 (AM ester. pH 7.2), Indo-1 (AM ester, low/high calcium (Ca2+)), SNARF(pH 6/9), Allophycocyanin(APC), AmCyan1 (tetramer, Clontech), AsRed2 (tetramer, Clontech), Azami Green (monomer, MBL), Azurite, B-phycoerythrin(BPE), Cerulean, CyPet, DsRed monomer (Clontech), DsRed2 ("RFP", Clontech), EBFP, EBFP2, ECFP, EGFP (weak dimer, Clontech), Emerald (weak dimer, Invitrogen), EYFP (weak dimer, Clontech), GFP (S65A mutation), GFP (S65C mutation), GFP (S65L mutation), GFP (S65T mutation), GFP (Y66F mutation), GFP (Y66H mutation), GFP (Y66W mutation), GFPuv, HcRed1, J-Red, Katusha, Kusabira Orange (monomer, MBL), mCFP, mCherry, mCitrine, Midoriishi Cyan (dimer, MBL), mKate (TagFP635, monomer, Evrogen), mKeima-Red (monomer, MBL), mKO, mOrange, mPlum, mRaspberry, mRFP1 (monomer, Tsien lab), mStrawberry, mTFP1, mTurquoise2, P3 (phycobilisome complex), Peridinin Chlorophyll (PerCP), R-phycoerythrin(RPE), T-Sapphire, TagCFP (dimer, Evrogen), TagGFP (dimer, Evrogen), TagRFP (dimer, Evrogen), TagYFP (dimer, Evrogen), tdTomato (tandem dimer), Topaz, TurboFP602 (dimer, Evrogen), TurboFP635 (dimer, Evrogen), TurboGFP (dimer, Evrogen), TurboRFP (dimer, Evrogen), TurboYFP (dimer, Evrogen), Venus, Wild Type GFP, YPet, ZsGreen1 (tetramer, Clontech), ZsYellow1 (tetramer, Clontech).

(7). The cell-binding ligands or receptor agonists, which can be selected from: Folate derivatives; Glutamic acid urea derivatives; Somatostatin and its analogs (such as octreotide (Sandostatin) and lanreotide (Somatuline)); Aromatic sulfonamides; Pituitary adenylate cyclase activating peptides (PACAP) (PAC1); Vasoactive intestinal peptides (VIP/PACAP) (VPAC1, VPAC2); Melanocyte-stimulating hormones (α-MSH); Cholecystokinins (CCK) /gastrin receptor agonists; Bombesins (such as Pyr-Gln-Arg-Leu-Gly-Asn-Gln-Trp-Ala-Val-Gly-His-Leu-Met-NH_2)/gastrin-releasing peptide (GRP); Neurotensin receptor ligands (NTR1, NTR2,

NTR3); Substance P (NK1 receptor) ligands; Neuropeptide Y (Y1–Y6); Homing Peptides include RGD (Arg-Gly-Asp), NGR (Asn-Gly-Arg), the dimeric and multimeric cyclic RGD peptides (e.g. cRGDfV), TAASGVRSMH and LTLRWVGLMS (Chondroitin sulfate proteoglycan NG2 receptor ligands) and F3 peptides; Cell Penetrating Peptides (CPPs); Peptide Hormones, such as luteinizing hormone-releasing hormone (LHRH) agonists and antagonists, and gonadotropin-releasing hormone (GnRH) agonist, acts by targeting follicle stimulating hormone (FSH) and luteinising hormone (LH), as well as testosterone production, e.g. buserelin (Pyr-His-Trp-Ser-Tyr-D-Ser(OtBu)-Leu-Arg-Pro-NHEt), Gonadorelin (Pyr-His-Trp-Ser-Tyr-Gly-Leu-Arg-Pro-Gly-NH_2), Goserelin (Pyr-His-Trp-Ser-Tyr-D-Ser(OtBu)-Leu-Arg-Pro-AzGly-NH_2), Histrelin (Pyr-His-Trp-Ser-Tyr-D-His(N-benzyl)-Leu-Arg-Pro-NHEt), leuprolide (Pyr-His-Trp-Ser-Tyr-D-Leu-Leu-Arg-Pro-NHEt), Nafarelin (Pyr-His-Trp-Ser-Tyr-2Nal-Leu-Arg-Pro-Gly-NH_2), Triptorelin (Pyr-His-Trp-Ser-Tyr-D-Trp-Leu-Arg-Pro-Gly-NH_2), Nafarelin, Deslorelin, Abarelix (Ac-D-2Nal-D-4-chloroPhe-D-3-(3-pyridyl)Ala-Ser-(N-Me)Tyr-D-Asn-Leu-isopropylLys-Pro-DAla-NH_2), Cetrorelix (Ac-D-2Nal-D-4-chloroPhe-D-3-(3-pyridyl)Ala-Ser-Tyr-D-Cit-Leu-Arg-Pro-D-Ala-NH_2), Degarelix (Ac-D-2Nal-D-4-chloroPhe-D-3-(3-pyridyl)Ala-Ser-4-aminoPhe(L-hydroorotyl)-D-4-aminoPhe(carba-moyl)-Leu-isopropylLys-Pro-D-Ala-NH_2), and Ganirelix (Ac-D-2Nal-D-4-chloroPhe-D-3-(3-pyridyl)Ala-Ser-Tyr-D-(N9, N10-diethyl)-homoArg-Leu-(N9, N10-diethyl)-homoArg-Pro-D-Ala-NH_2); Pattern Recognition Receptor (PRRs), such as Toll-like receptors' (TLRs) ligands, C-type lectins and Nodlike Receptors' (NLRs) ligands; Calcitonin receptor agonists; integrin receptors' and their receptor subtypes' (such as $\alpha_V\beta_1$, $\alpha_V\beta_3$, $\alpha_V\beta_5$, $\alpha_V\beta_6$, $\alpha_6\beta_4$, $\alpha_7\beta_1$, $\alpha_L\beta_2$, $\alpha_{IIb}\beta_3$) agonists (such as GRGDSPK, cyclo(RGDfV) (L1) and its derives [cyclo(-N(Me)R-GDfV), cyclo(R-Sar-DfV), cyclo(RG-N(Me)D-fV), cyclo(RGD-N(Me)f-V), cyclo(RGDf-N(Me)V-)(Cilengitide)]; Nanobody (a derivative of VHH (camelid Ig)); Domain antibodies (dAb, a derivative of VH or VL domain); Bispecific T cell Engager (BiTE, a bispecific diabody); Dual Affinity ReTargeting (DART, a bispecific diabody); Tetravalent tandem antibodies (TandAb, a dimerized bispecific diabody); Anticalin (a derivative of Lipocalins); Adnectins (10th FN3 (Fibronectin)); Designed Ankyrin Repeat Proteins (DARPins); Avimers; EGF receptors and VEGF receptors' agonists.

(8). The pharmaceutically acceptable salts, acids or derivatives of any of the above drugs.

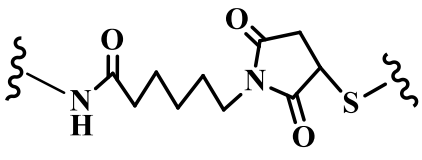
13. The Formula (IV) of claim **1,** wherein "$Drug_1$" is a chromophore molecule, thus the conjugate compounds of the Formula (IV) of claim **1**, can be used for detecting, monitoring, or studying the interactions and/or functions of the cell binding molecule, and/or the interactions of the conjugate with a target, particularly, a targeted cell.

14. The compounds of the Formula (IV) of claim **1,** wherein "$Drug_1$" and/or "R_2" is independently a polyalkylene glycols or a polyalkylene glycol analogs, which are used for extending the half-life of the cell-binding molecule when administered to a mammal. Polyalkylene glycols are poly(ethylene glycols) (PEGs), poly(propylene glycol), copolymers of ethylene oxides or propylene oxides that has a molecular weight of from about 44 Daltons to about 300 kDa.

15. The compounds of the Formula (IV) of claim **1,** wherein "$Drug_1$" is a cell-binding ligand or a cell receptor agonist, or a cell receptor binding molecule, so that the conjugates can work as a targeting conductor/director to deliver the conjugate to malignant cells, and also can modulate or co-stimulate a desired immune response or alter signaling pathways.

16. The conjugate compound of claim **4**, wherein "$Drug_1$" is selected from tubulysins, calicheamicins, auristatins, maytansinoids, CC-1065 analogs, daunorubicin and doxorubicin compounds, taxanoids (taxanes), cryptophycins, epothilones, benzodiazepine dimers (e.g., dimmers of pyrrolobenzodiazepine (PBD), tomaymycins, anthramycins, indolinobenzodiazepines, imidazobenzothiadiazepines, or oxazolidinobenzodiaze-pines), calicheamicins and the enediyne antibiotics, actinomycins, amanitins, azaserines, bleomycins, epirubicins, tamoxifen, idarubicin, dolastatins/auristatins (e.g. monomethyl auristatin E, MMAE , MMAF, auristatin PYE, auristatin TP, Auristatins 2-AQ, 6-AQ, EB (AEB), and EFP (AEFP)), duocarmycins, geldanamycins, methotrexates, thiotepa, vindesines, vincristines, hemiasterlins, nazumamides, microginins, radiosumins, alterobactins, microsclerodermins, theonellamides, esperamicins, siRNA, nucleolytic enzymes, and/or pharmaceutically acceptable salts, acids, or/and their analogues derivatives of any of the above molecules.

17. The linkage components R_1 or R_2 according to claim **4,** having independently one or more, or repeating, or combining thereof, components depicted in the following:



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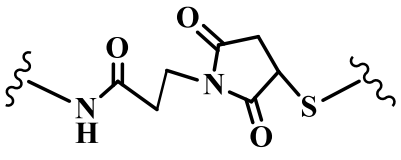
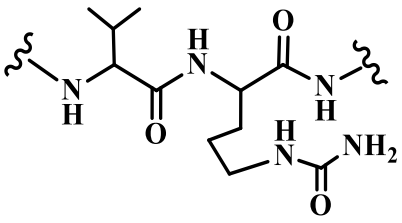
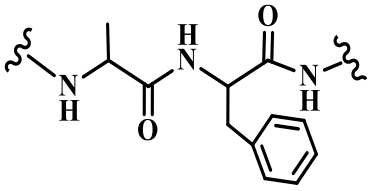
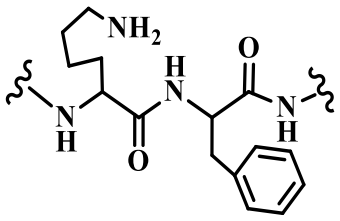
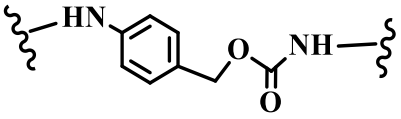
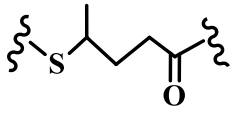
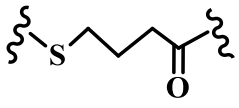
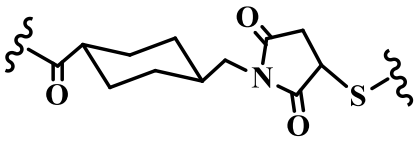


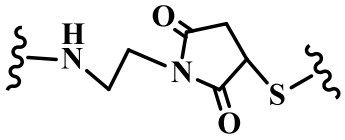
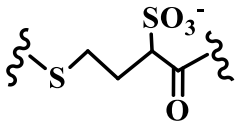
maleimido propanoyl (MP),  valine-citrulline (val-cit),

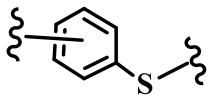
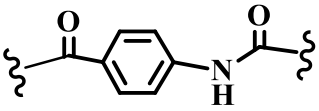
 alanine-phenylalanine (ala-phe),  ly-

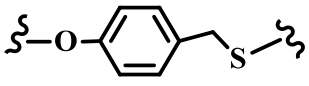
sine-phenylalanine (lys-phe),  p-aminobenzyloxycarbonyl

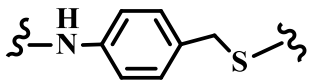
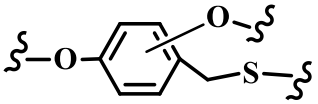
(PAB),  4-thio-pentanoate (SPP),  4-thio-butyrate

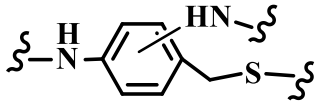
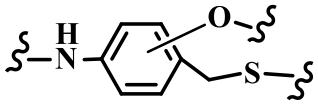
(SPDB),  4-(N-maleimidomethyl)cyclo-hexane-1-carboxylate

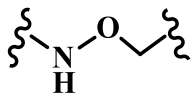
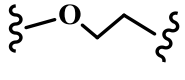
(MCC),  maleimidoethyl (ME),  4-thio-2-hydroxy-

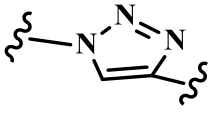
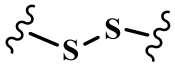
sulfonyl-butyrate (2-Sulfo-SPDB),  aryl-thiol (PySS), 

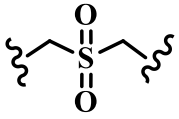
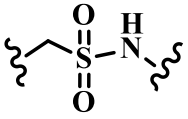
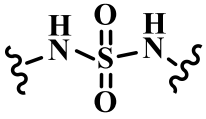
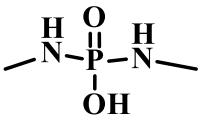
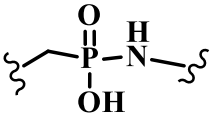
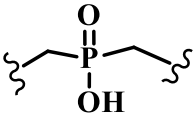
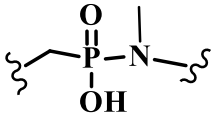
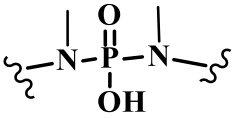
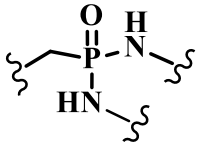
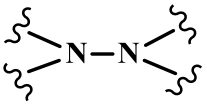
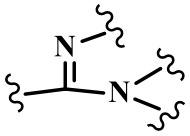
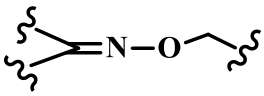
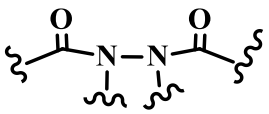
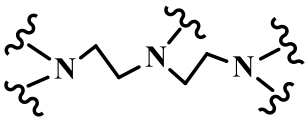
(4-acetyl)aminobenzoate (SIAB),  , oxylbenzylthio,

 aminobenzylthio,  dioxylbenzylthio,

 diaminobenzylthio,  amino-oxylbenzylthio,

 alkoxy amino (AOA),  ethyleneoxy (EO), 

4-methyl-4-dithio-pentanoic (MPDP),  triazole,  dithio,

 alkylsulfonyl,  alkylsulfonamide,  sulfon-bisamide,  Phosphondiamide,  alkylphosphonamide,  phosphinic acid,  N-methylphosphonamidic acid,  N,N'-dimethylphosphonamidic acid,  N,N'-dimethylphosphondiamide,  hydrazine,  acetimidamide;  oxime,  acetylacetohydrazide,  aminoethyl-amine,  aminoethyl-aminoethyl-amine, and L- or D-, natural or unnatural peptides containing 1-20 aminoacids.

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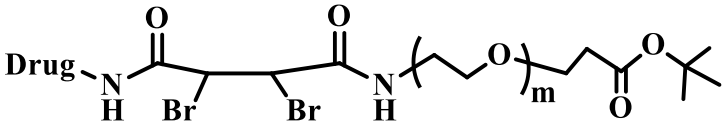

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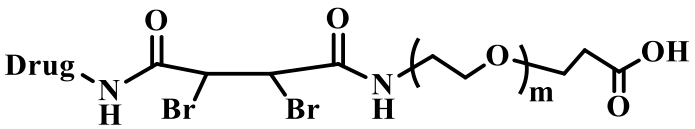

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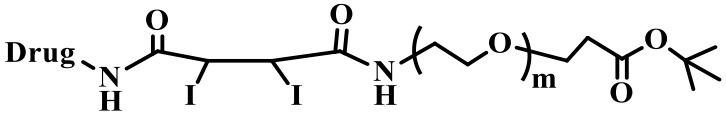

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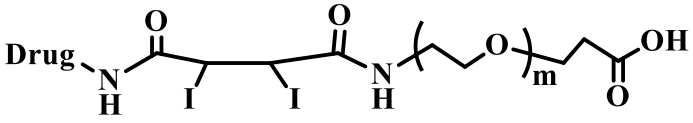
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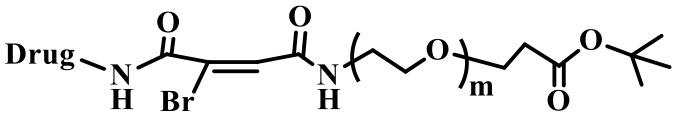
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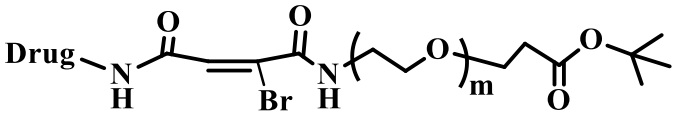
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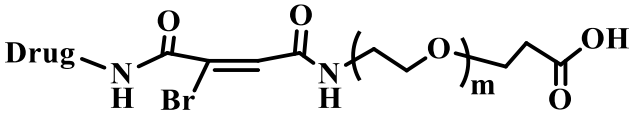
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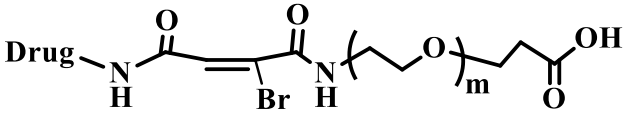
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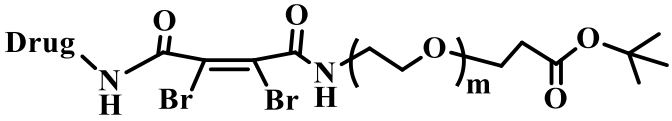
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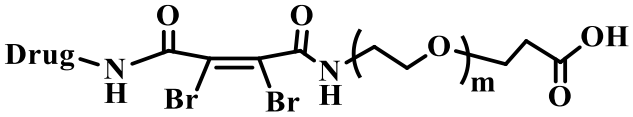
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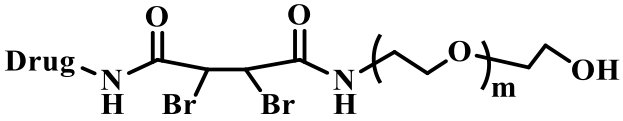
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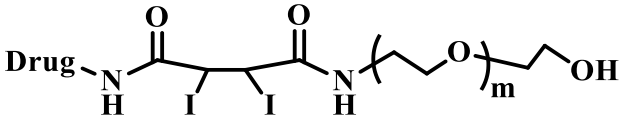
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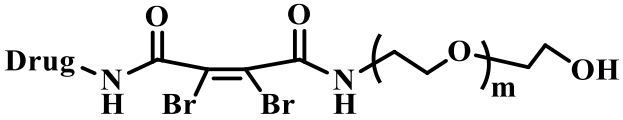
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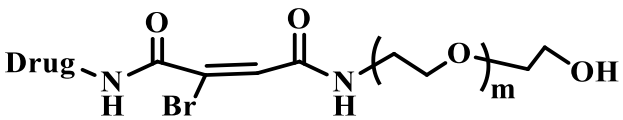
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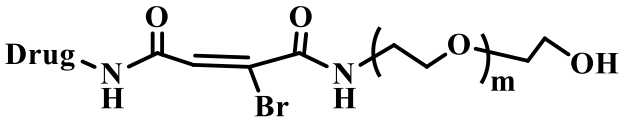
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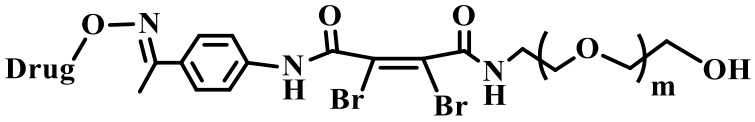
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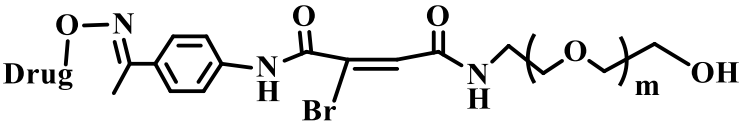
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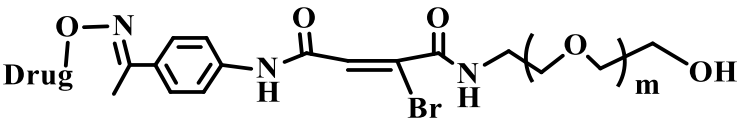
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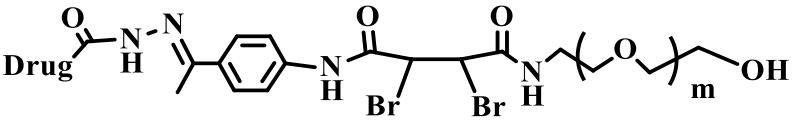
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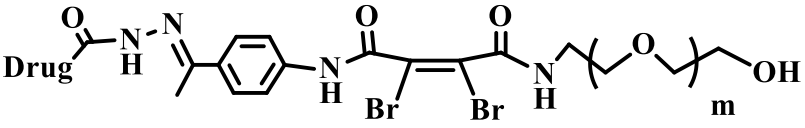
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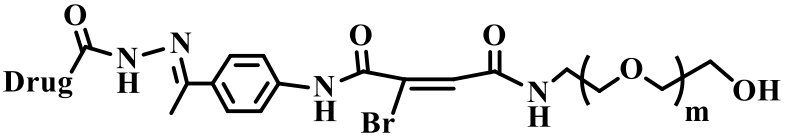
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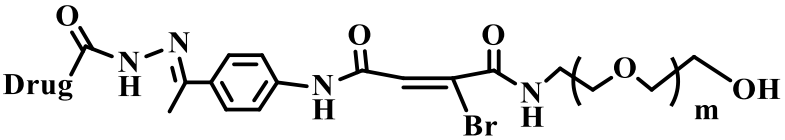
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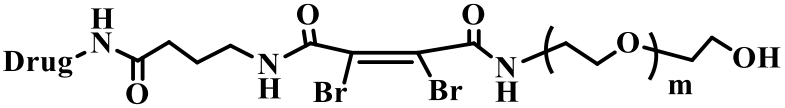
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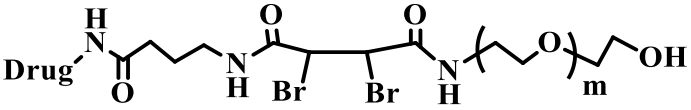
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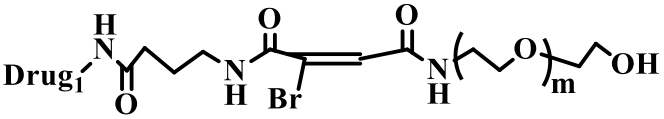
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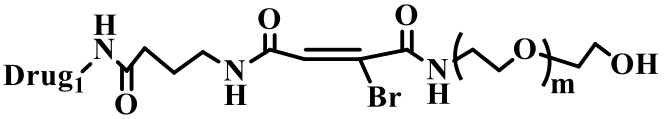
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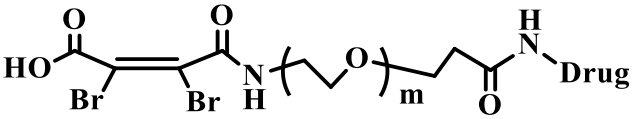
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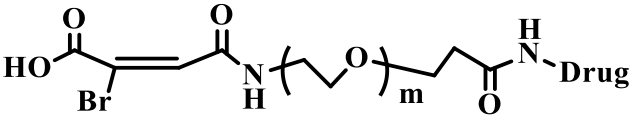
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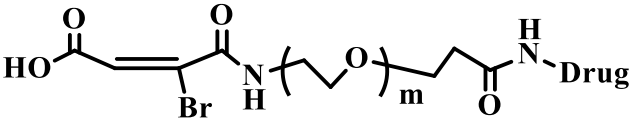

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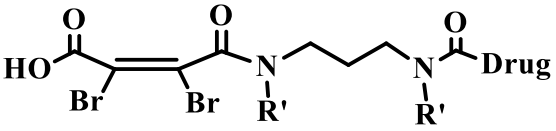

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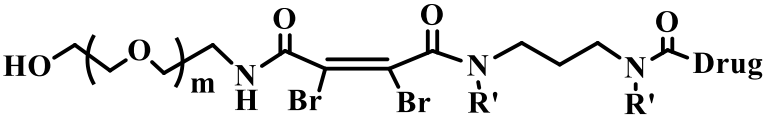

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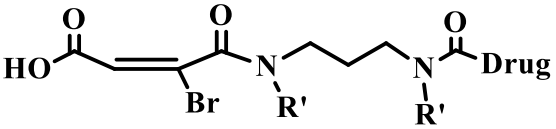

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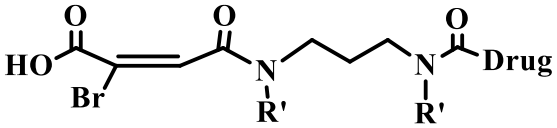

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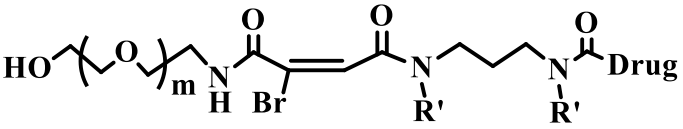

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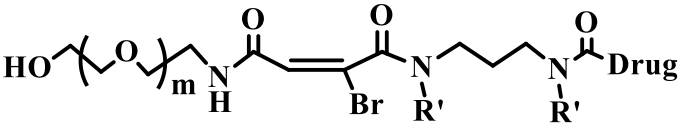

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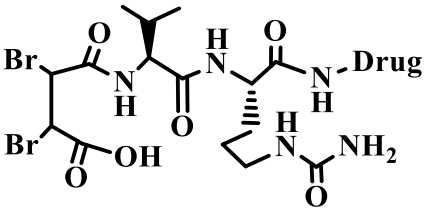

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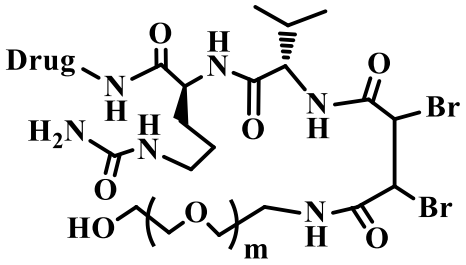

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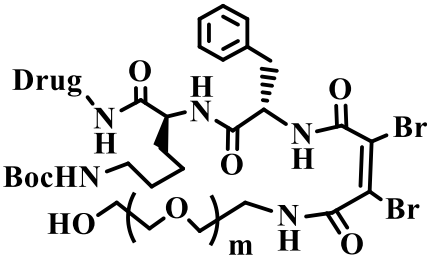

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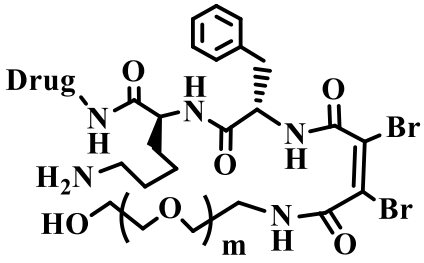

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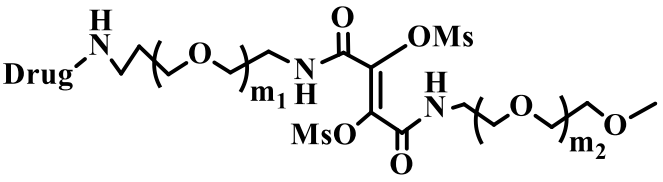

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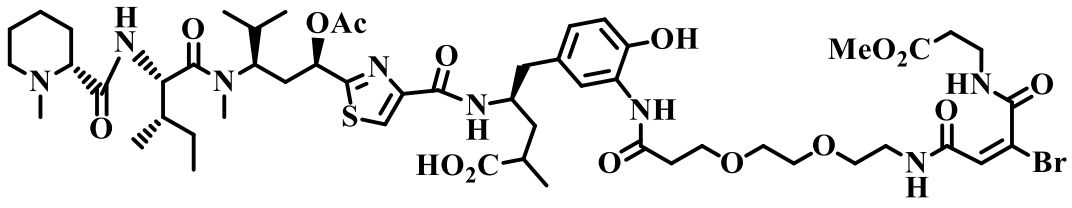

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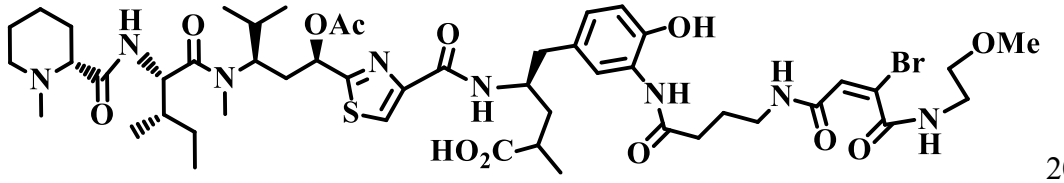

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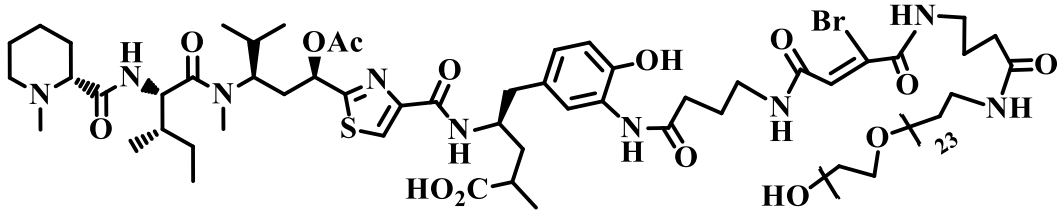

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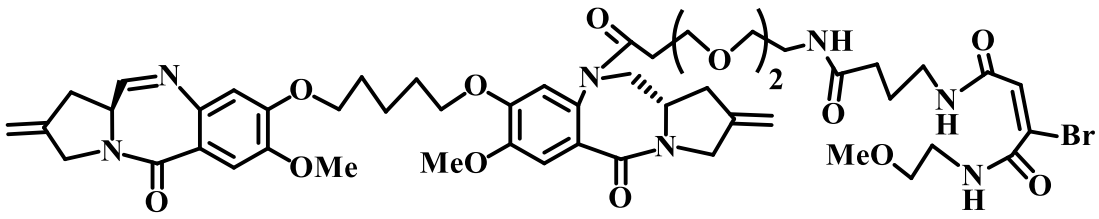

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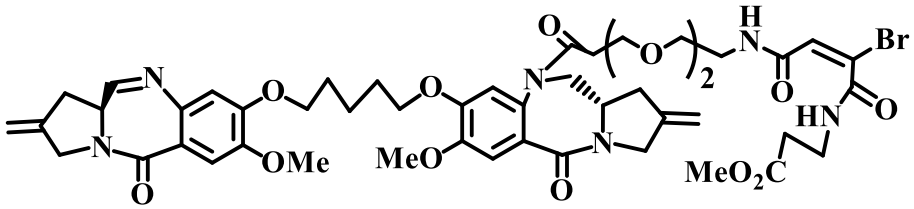

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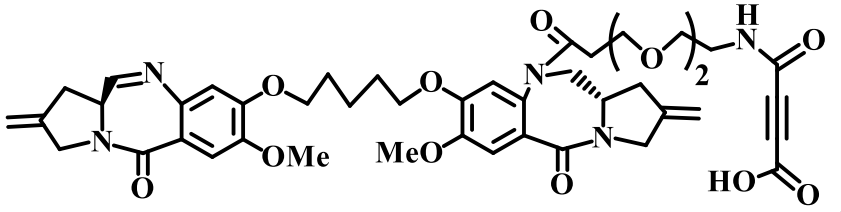

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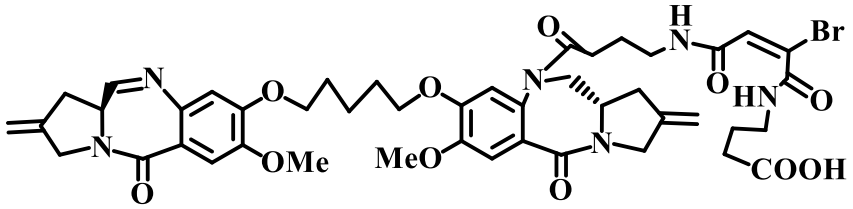

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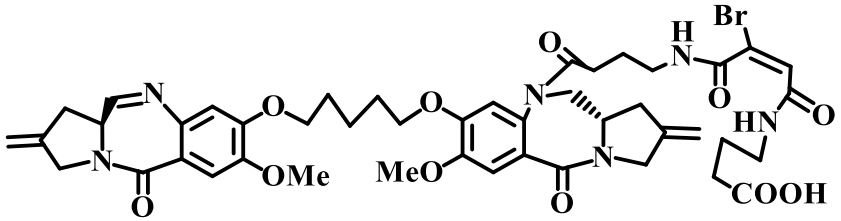

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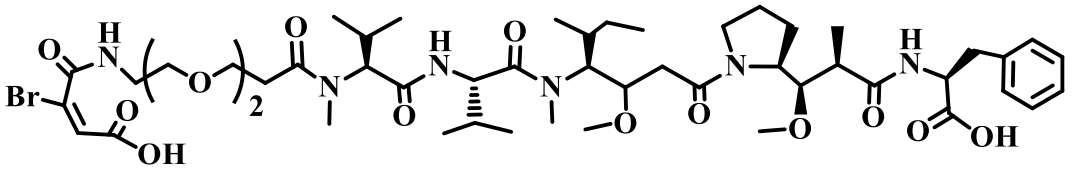

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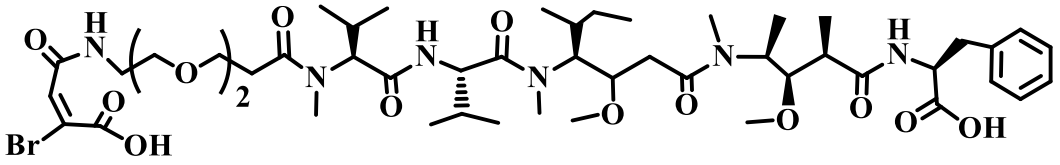

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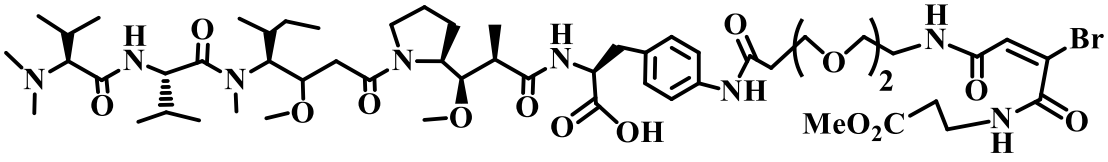

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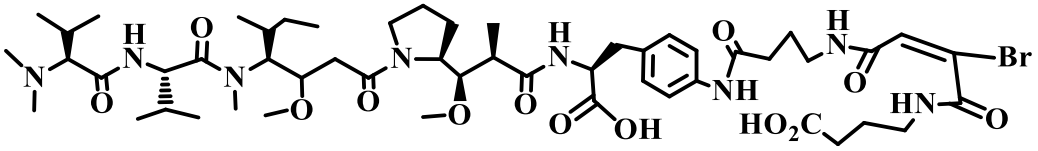

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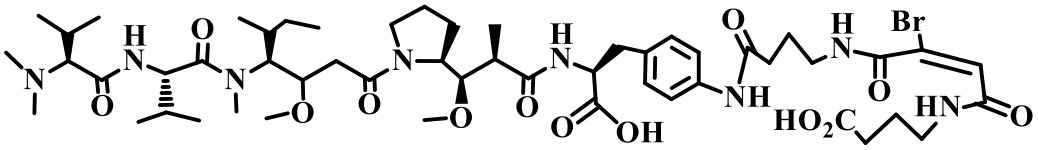

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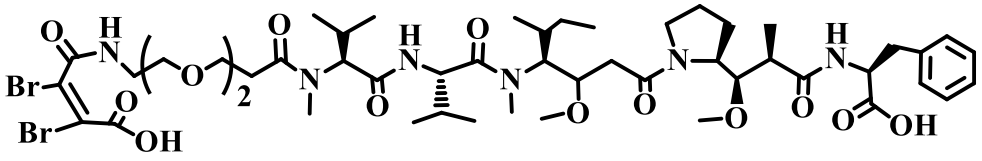

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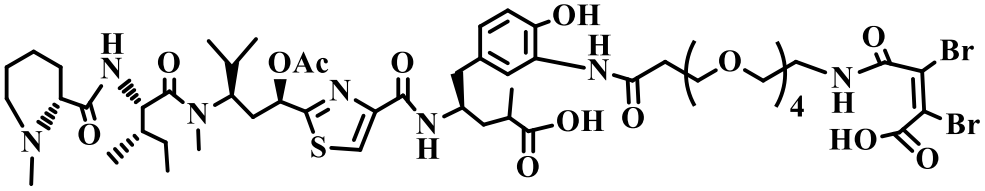

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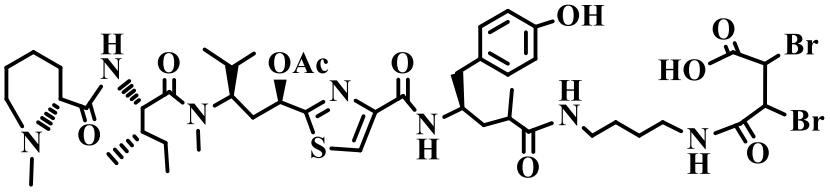

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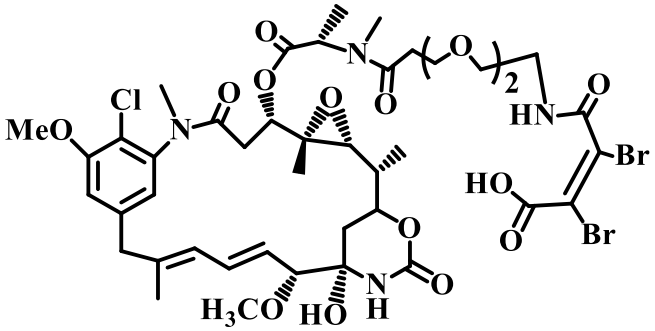

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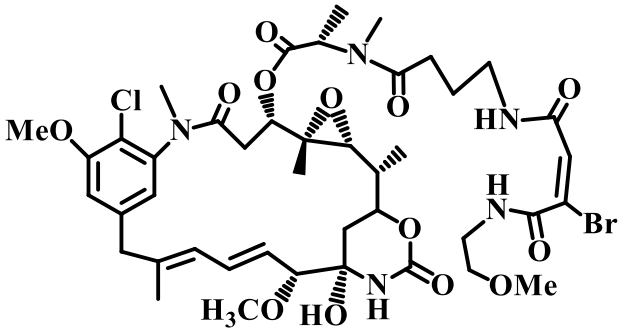

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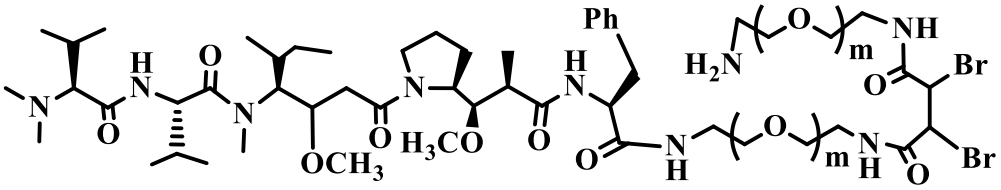

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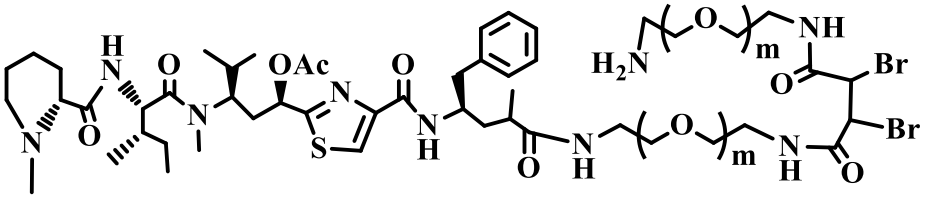

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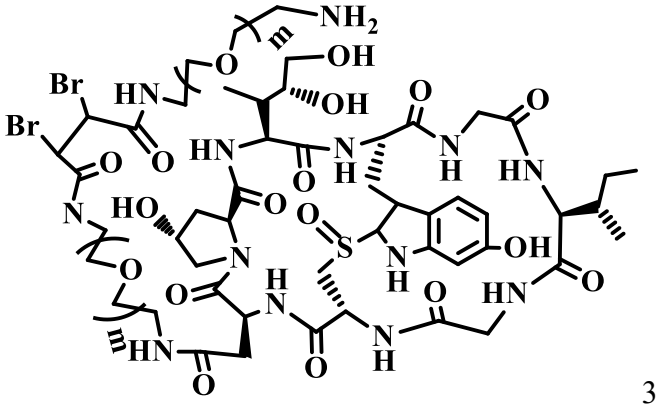

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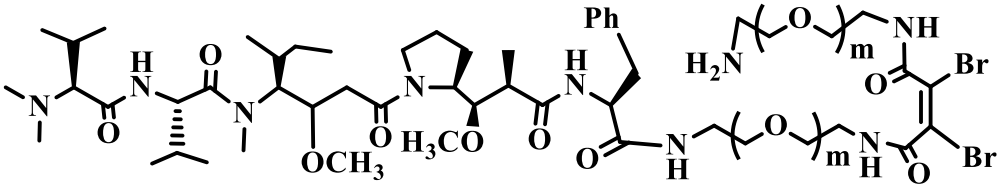

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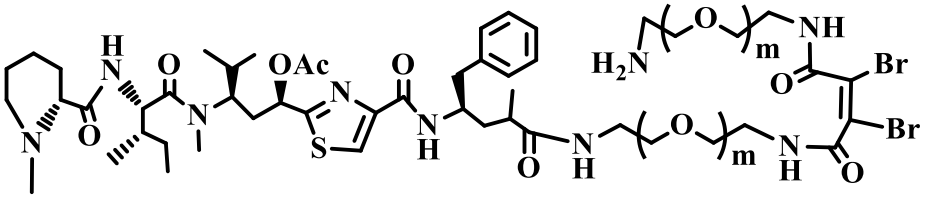

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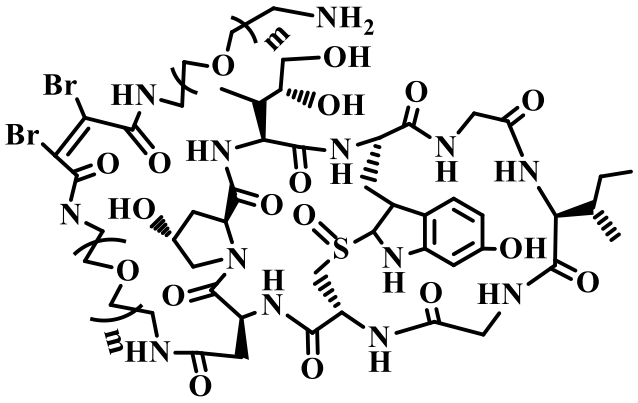

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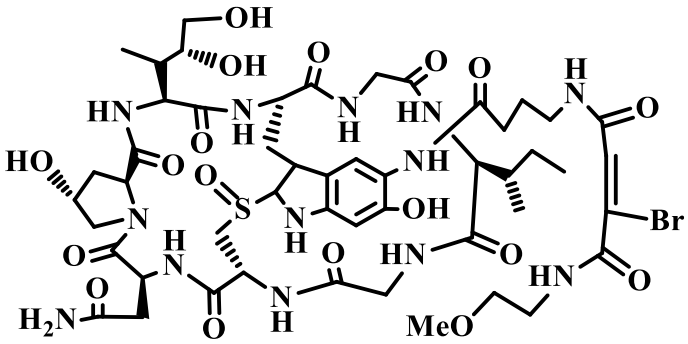

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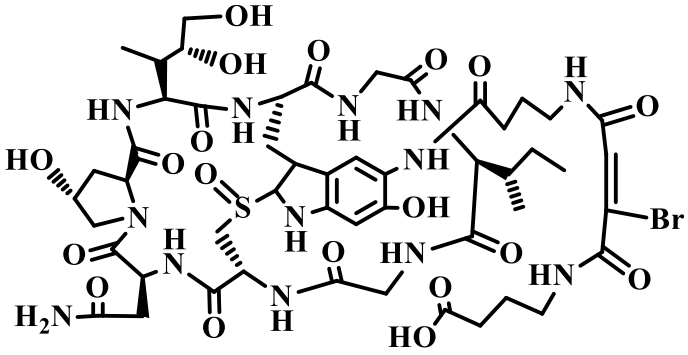

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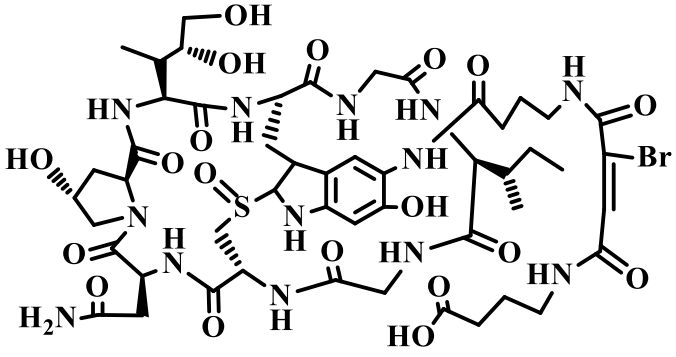

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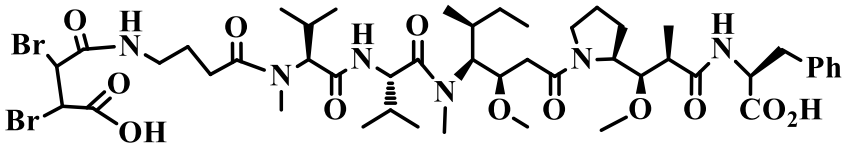

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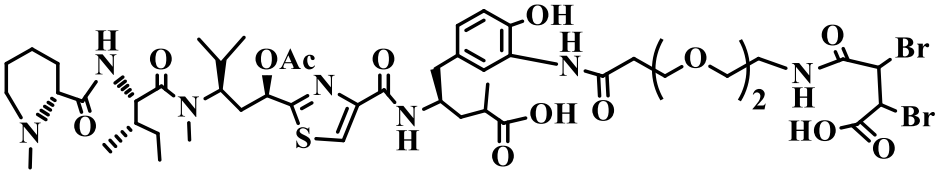

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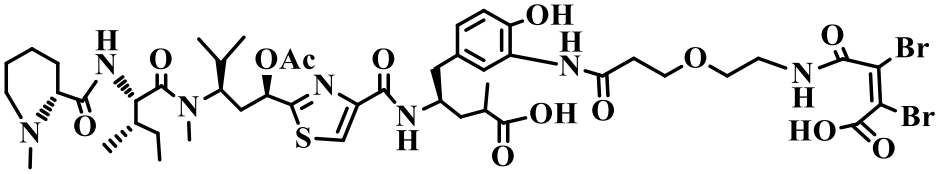

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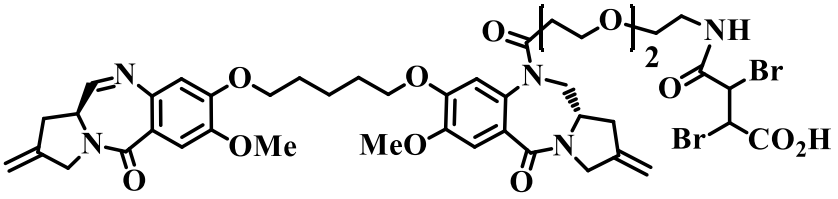

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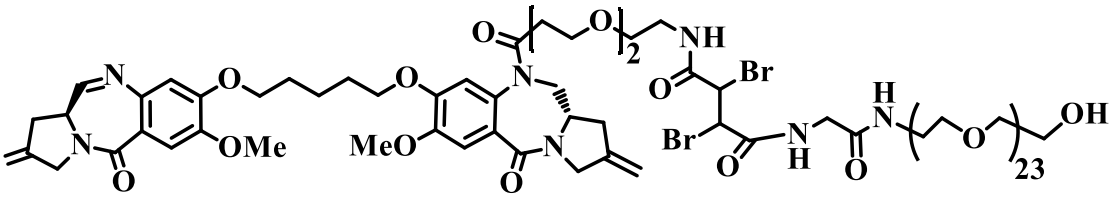

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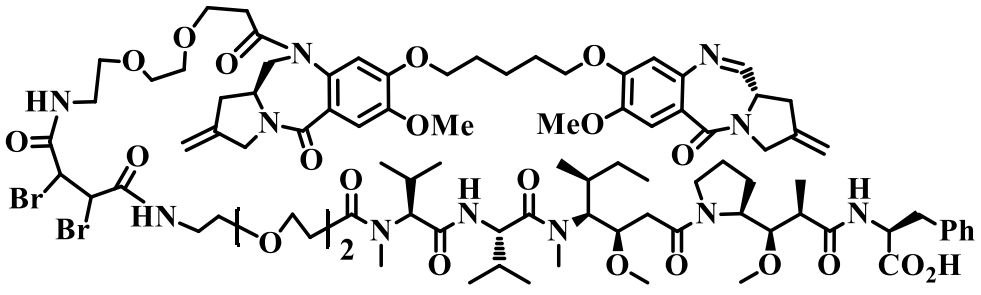

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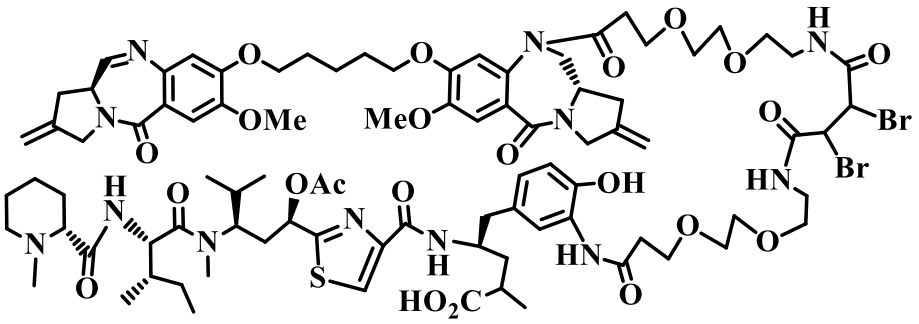

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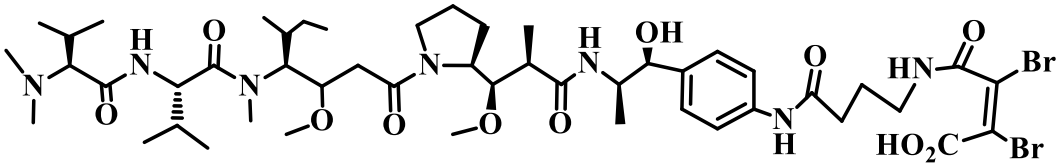

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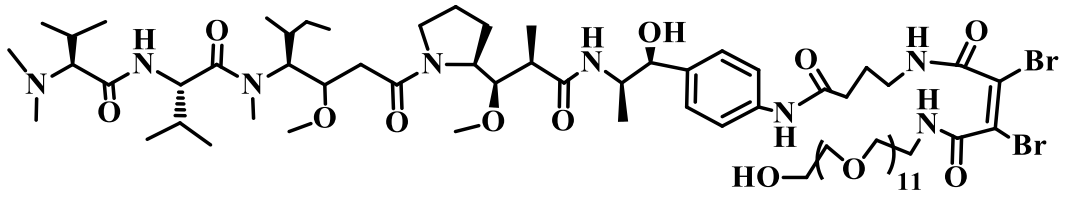

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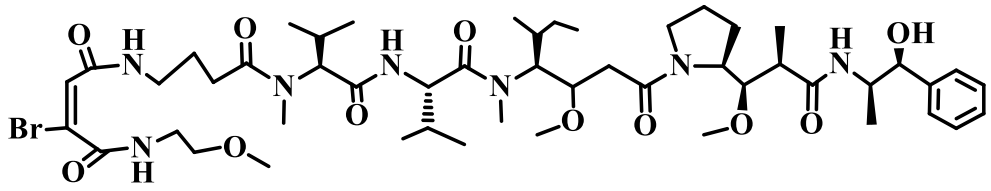

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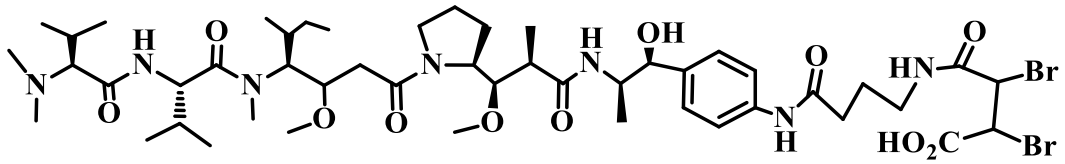

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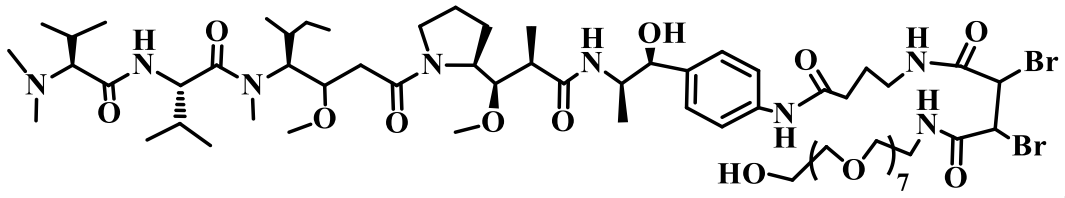

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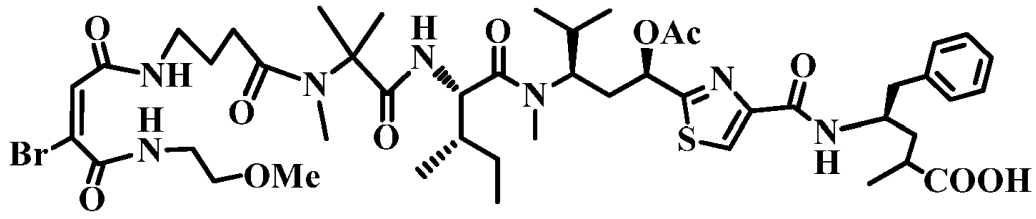

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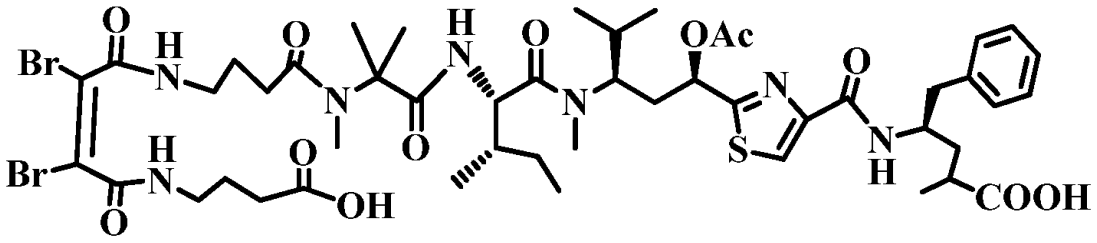

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Wherein R' is C_1-C_4 alkyl; m_1, m_2, drug, m, and n are defined the same as in Claim **1**.