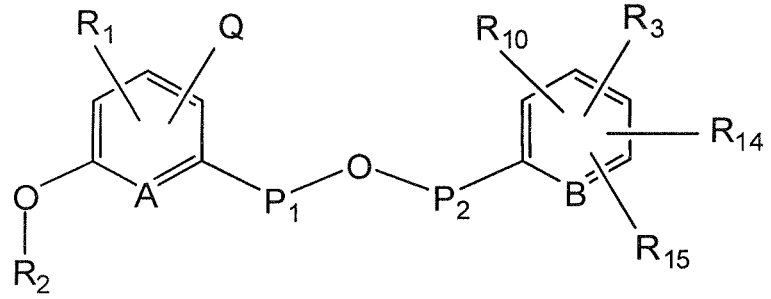
Claims

1. A compound of formula (I)



(I)

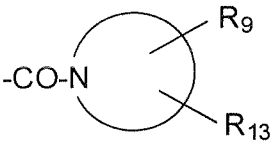
wherein

P_1 and P_2 are, independently a bond or C_{1-3} alkyl;

A is CH;

B is CH or N;

R_1 is -NH-SO_2- ZR_9R_{13}, -NR_4-CO-ZR_9R_{13}, -CO-NR_7R_8, -CO-O-ZR_9R_{13}, -CO-NR_4-R^X-ZR_9R_{13} or a group of formula



(II)

wherein the ring portion in formula (II) is a 5 -12 membered saturated, partially saturated or aromatic ring which may be monocyclic or bicyclic, and which may contain 1-3 further heteroatoms selected from N, O, S or combinations thereof;

R_3 is -$C(NR_{17})NH_2$, or in case A is CH, R_3 can also be amino C_{1-7} alkyl;

R_{10}, R_{14} and R_{15} are independently hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, C_{1-7} alkyl, halogen C_{1-7} alkyl or -$C(NR_{17})NH_2$;

Q is hydrogen or halogen;

R_4 is hydrogen or C_{1-7} alkyl;

Z is a 5 -12 membered saturated, or partially saturated ~~or aromatic~~ ring which may be monocyclic or bicyclic, and which may contain 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, O, S or combinations thereof;

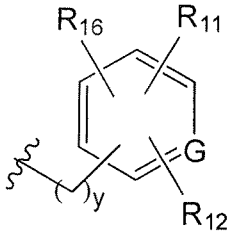
R_9 and R_{13} are, independently, hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, carboxy, C_{1-7} alkyl, carboxy C_{1-7} alkyl, hydroxy C_{1-7} alkyl, C_{1-7} alkoxycarbonyl, R^ANH_2 or -COR^BNH_2;

R^A, R^B and R^X are, independently, a bond or C_{1-7} alkyl;

R_7 and R_8 are, independently, hydrogen, amino C_{1-7} alkyl, or carboxy C_{1-7} alkyl, ~~or C_{1-7} alkyl,~~

with a proviso that R_7 and R_8 are not simultaneously hydrogen;

R_2 is C_{1-7} alkyl, amino C_{1-7} alkyl, carboxy C_{1-7} alkyl, C_{1-7} alkoxycarbonyl C_{1-7} alkyl, C_{1-7} alkylamino, carboxy C_{1-7} alkylamino, $R^DC(NR_{17})NH_2$, or a group of formula (III)



(III)

y = 0-2; R^D is a bond or C_{1-7} alkyl; G is CH or N;

R_{11} is hydrogen, halogen, amino, carboxy, amino C_{1-7} alkyl, C_{1-7} alkoxycarbonyl, halogen C_{1-7} alkoxy, -$C(NR_{17})NH_2$, -$NHCOR^GNH_2$, $R^JNHCOOR^U$ or -$CONR_{19}R_{20}$;

R^G is C_{1-7} alkyl; R^J is a bond or C_{1-7} alkyl; R^U is hydrogen or C_{1-7} alkyl;

R_{12} and R_{16} are, independently, hydrogen, halogen or C_{1-7} alkyl;

or R_{12} and R_{16} form, together with the carbon atoms to which they are attached, a 5 or 6 membered saturated, partially saturated or aromatic ring which may contain 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, O, S or combinations thereof, which ring can be substituted;

R_{17} is hydrogen, -OH, C_{1-7} alkoxy, -$O(CO)OR_{18}$ or -$(CO)OR_{18}$;

R_{18} is C_{1-7} alkyl;

R_{19} and R_{20} are, independently, hydrogen, C_{1-7} alkyl or C_{1-7} alkoxy;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or ester thereof.

2. A compound according to claim 1, wherein B is CH.

3. A compound according to claim 1 or 2, wherein R_3 is -$C(NR_{17})NH_2$ and R_{10}, R_{14} and R_{15} are hydrogen.

4. A compound according to any of claims 1 to 3, wherein R_2 is a group of formula (III) wherein G is CH, y is 0-1, R_{11} is $-C(NR_{17})NH_2$ or amino C_{1-7} alkyl, and R_{12} and R_{16} are hydrogen.

5. A compound according to any of claims 1 to 4, wherein P_1 and P_2 is a bond.

6. A compound according to any of claims 1 to 5, wherein P_1 is a bond and P_2 is $-CH_2-$

7. A compound according to any of claims 1 to 6, wherein R_1 is a group of formula (II).

8. A compound according to claim 7, wherein the ring portion of formula (II) is a 6 or 10 membered saturated, partially saturated or aromatic ring, which may be monocyclic or bicyclic, and which may contain one further heteroatom N.

9. A compound according to claim 8, wherein the ring portion of formula (II) is piperidinyl, piperazinyl, nonahydro-quinolinyl or 3,4-dihydro-1H-quinolinyl.

10. A compound according to claim 1, wherein R_1 is $-NR_4-CO-ZR_9R_{13}$, $-CO-O-ZR_9R_{13}$ or $-CO-NR_4-R^X-ZR_9R_{13}$.

11. A compound according to claim 10, wherein Z is a 6 or 10 membered saturated, or partially saturated ~~or aromatic~~ ring, which may be monocyclic or bicyclic, and which may contain 1 or 2 N atoms.

12. A compound according to claim 11, wherein Z is cyclohexyl, or piperidinyl, ~~phenyl, naphthyl or quinolinyl~~.

13. A compound according to claim 12, wherein Z is cyclohexyl or piperidinyl, R_4 is hydrogen, R^X is a bond, R_9 is R^ANH_2 and R_{13} is hydrogen.

14. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound according to claim 1 together with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

15. Use of a compound according to claim 1 for the preparation of a medicament for the treatment of cancer.