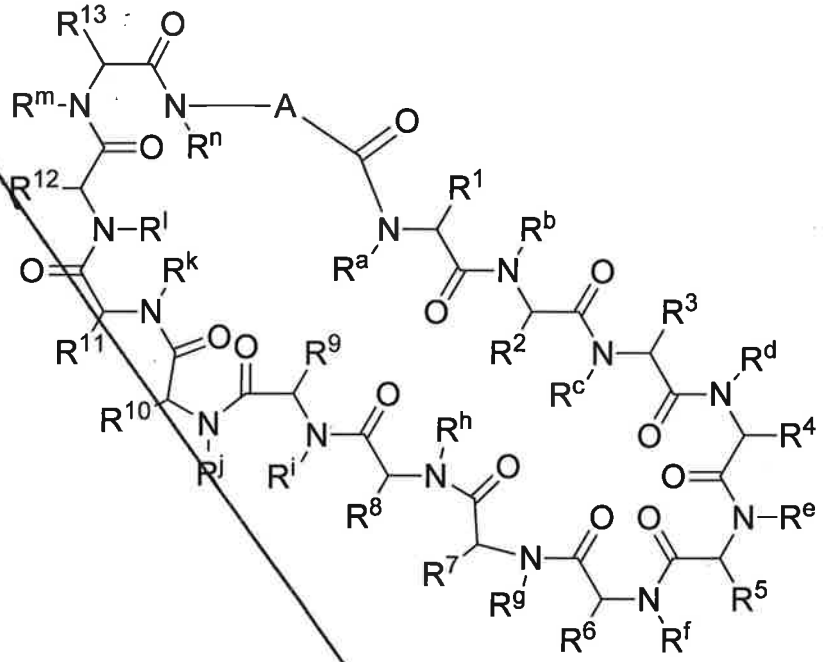
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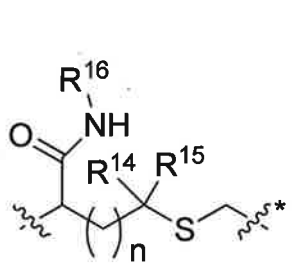
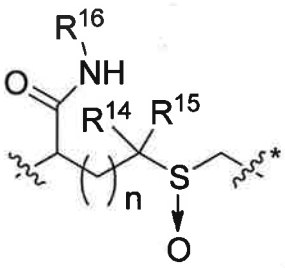
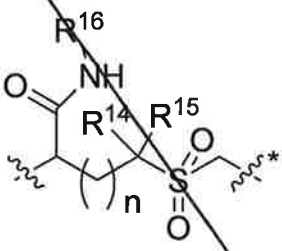
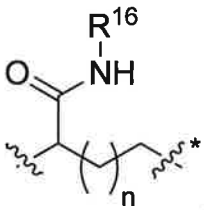
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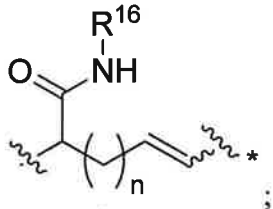


(I),

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein:

A is selected from a bond,


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and ;

wherein:

* denotes the point of attachment to the carbonyl group and * denotes the point of attachment to the nitrogen atom;

n is 0 or 1;

R^{14} and R^{15} are independently selected from hydrogen and methyl; and

R^{16} is selected from hydrogen, $-CHR^{17}C(O)NH_2$, $-CHR^{17}C(O)NHCHR^{18}C(O)NH_2$, and $-CHR^{17}C(O)NHCHR^{18}C(O)NHCH_2C(O)NH_2$;

wherein R^{17} is selected from hydrogen and $-CH_2OH$ and wherein R^{18} is selected from hydrogen and methyl;

R^f, R^h, R^i, R^m, and R^n are hydrogen;

R^a, R^e, R^j, and R^k, are each independently selected from hydrogen and methyl;

R^1, R^2, R^3, R^4, R^5, R^6, R^7, R^8, R^9, R^{10}, R^{11}, R^{12}, and R^{13} are independently selected from a natural amino acid side chain and an unnatural amino acid side chain or form a ring with the corresponding vicinal R group as described below;

R^e and R^k can each form a ring with the corresponding vicinal R group and the atoms to which they are attached selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one to four groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, and hydroxy;

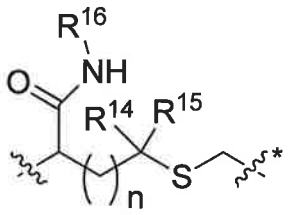
R^b is methyl or, R^b and R^2, together with the atoms to which they are attached, form a ring selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one to four groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, and hydroxy;

R^d is hydrogen or methyl, or, R^d and R^4, together with the atoms to which they are attached, can form a ring selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one to four groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, hydroxy, and phenyl;

R^g is hydrogen or methyl or R^g and R^7, together with the atoms to which they are attached, can form a ring selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one to four groups independently selected from amino, benzyl optionally substituted with a halo group, benzyloxy, cyano, cyclohexyl, methyl, halo, hydroxy, isoquinolinyloxy optionally substituted with a methoxy group, quinolinyloxy optionally substituted with a halo group, and tetrazolyl; and wherein the pyrrolidine and the piperidine ring are optionally fused to a cyclohexyl, phenyl, or indole group; and

R^l is methyl or, R^l and R^{12}, together with the atoms to which they are attached, form a ring selected from azetidine and pyrollidine, wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one to four groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, and hydroxy.

2. A compound of claim 1, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein A is



3. A compound of claim 2, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein

R^d is methyl or, R^d and R^4, together with the atoms to which they are attached, form a ring selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one or two groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, hydroxy, and phenyl;

R^g is methyl or, R^g and R^7, together with the atoms to which they are attached, form a ring selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one or two groups independently selected from amino, benzyl optionally substituted with a halo group, benzyloxy, cyano, cyclohexyl, methyl, halo, hydroxy, isoquinolinyloxy optionally substituted with a methoxy group, quinolinyloxy optionally substituted with a halo group, and tetrazolyl; and wherein the pyrrolidine and the piperidine ring are optionally fused to a cyclohexyl, phenyl, or indole group; and

R^k is methyl or, R^k and R^{11}, together with the atoms to which they are attached, form a ring selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one or two groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, and hydroxy.

4. A compound of claim 3, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein

R^d and R^4, together with the atoms to which they are attached, form a ring selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one or two groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, and hydroxy;

R^g and R^7, together with the atoms to which they are attached, form a pyrollidine ring, wherein said ring is optionally substituted with one or two groups independently selected from amino, benzyl optionally substituted with a halo group, benzyloxy, cyano, cyclohexyl, methyl, halo, hydroxy, isoquinolinyloxy optionally substituted with a methoxy group, quinolinyloxy optionally substituted with a halo group, and tetrazolyl; and wherein the pyrrolidine and the piperidine ring are optionally fused to a cyclohexyl, phenyl, or indole group; and

R^k is methyl

5. A compound of claim 4, or a therapeutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^8 is selected from

azaindolylC_1-C_3alkyl, benzothiazolylC_1-C_3alkyl, benzothienylC_1-C_3alkyl, benzyloxyC_1-C_3alkyl, diphenylmethyl, furanylC_1-C_3alkyl, imidazolylC_1-C_3alkyl, naphthylC_1-C_3alkyl, pyridinylC_1-C_3alkyl, thiazolylC_1-C_3alkyl, thienylC_1-C_3alkyl; and

indolylC_1-C_3alkyl, wherein the indolyl part is optionally substituted with one group selected from C_1-C_3alkyl, cyano, halo, and hydroxy.

6. A compound of claim 5, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^8 is 3-indolylC_1-C_3alkyl optionally substituted with one group selected from C_1-C_3alkyl, halo, hydroxy, or cyano.

7. A compound selected from:

Compound 1, Compound 2, Compound 3, Compound 4, Compound 5, Compound 6, Compound 7, Compound 8, Compound 9, Compound 10, Compound 11, Compound 12, Compound 13, Compound 14, Compound 15, Compound 16, Compound 17, Compound 18, Compound 19, Compound 20, Compound 21, Compound 22, Compound 23, Compound 24, Compound 25, Compound 26, Compound 27, Compound 28, Compound 29, Compound 30, Compound 31, Compound 32, Compound 33, Compound

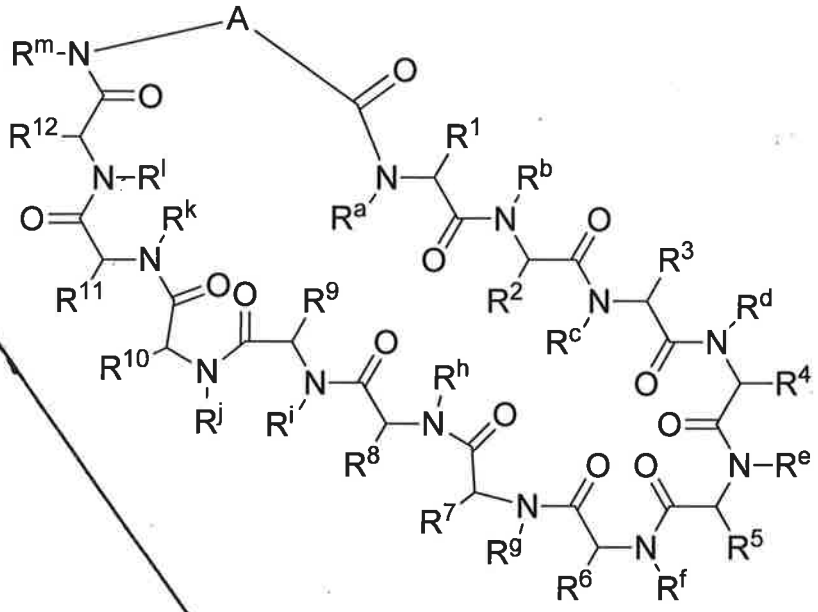
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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

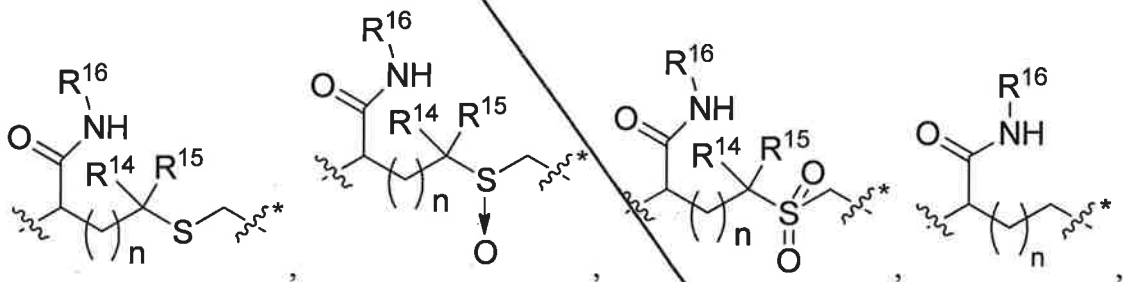
8. A compound of formula (II)



(II),

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein:

A is selected from a bond,



and ;

wherein:

* denotes the point of attachment to the carbonyl group and ~ denotes the point of attachment to the nitrogen atom;

n is 0 or 1;

R^{14} and R^{15} are independently selected from hydrogen and methyl; and

R^{16} is selected from hydrogen, $-CHR^{17}C(O)NH_2$, $-CHR^{17}C(O)NHCHR^{18}C(O)NH_2$, and $-CHR^{17}C(O)NHCHR^{18}C(O)NHCH_2C(O)NH_2$;

wherein R^{17} is selected from hydrogen and $-CH_2OH$ and wherein R^{18} is selected from hydrogen and methyl;

R^a, R^f, R^j, R^k, R^l, and R^m are hydrogen;

R^b and R^c are methyl;

R^g is selected from hydrogen and methyl;

R^1, R^2, R^3, R^4, R^5, R^6, R^7, R^8, R^9, R^{10}, R^{11}, and R^{12} are independently selected from a natural amino acid side chain and an unnatural amino acid side chain or form a ring with the corresponding vicinal R group as described below;

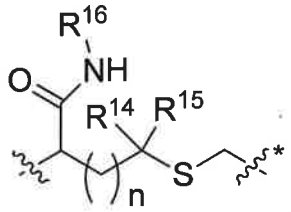
R^d is selected from hydrogen and methyl, or, R^d and R^4, together with the atoms to which they are attached, form a ring selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one to four groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, halomethyl, and hydroxy;

R^e is selected from hydrogen and methyl, or, R^e and R^5, together with the atoms to which they are attached, form a ring selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one to four groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, halomethyl, and hydroxy;

R^h is selected from hydrogen and methyl, or, R^h and R^8, together with the atoms to which they are attached, form a ring selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one to four groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, halomethyl, and hydroxy; and

R^i is selected from hydrogen and methyl, or, R^i and R^9, together with the atoms to which they are attached selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one to four groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, halomethyl, and hydroxy.

9. A compound of claim 8, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein A is



10. A compound of claim 9, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein

R^d is methyl, or, R^d and R^4, together with the atoms to which they are attached selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one or two groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, halomethyl, and hydroxy;

R^g is methyl; and

R^i is methyl, or, R^i and R^9, together with the atoms to which they are attached selected from selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one or two groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, halomethyl, and hydroxy.

11. A compound of claim 10, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^7 is phenylC_1-C_3alkyl optionally substituted with a fluoro group.

12. A compound selected from

Compound 71, Compound 72, Compound 73, Compound 74, Compound 75, Compound 76, Compound 77, Compound 78, Compound 79, Compound 80, Compound 81, Compound 82, Compound 83, Compound 84, Compound 85, Compound 86, Compound 87, Compound 89, Compound 90, Compound 95, Compound 96, Compound 97, Compound 98, Compound 1001, Example 3052, Example 3053, Example 3054, Example 3055, Example 3056-A, Example 3056-B, Example 3057, Example 3058-A, Example 3058-B, Example 3059, Example 3060-A, Example 3060-B, Example 3061, Example 3062, Example 3063, Example 3064, Example 3065, Example 3066, Example 3067, Example 3068, Example 3069, Example 3070, Example 3071, Example 3072, Example 3073, Example 3074, Example 3075, Example 3076, Example 3077, Example 3078, Example 3079, Example 3080, Example 3081, Example 3082, Example 3083, Example 3086, Example 3087, Example 3088, Example 3089, Example 3090, Example

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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

13. A compound selected from

Compound 99, Compound 100, Compound 101, Compound 102, Compound 103, Compound 104, Compound 105, Compound 106, Compound 107, Compound 108, Compound 109, Compound 110, Compound 111, Compound 112, Compound 113, Compound 114, Compound 115, Compound 116, Compound 117, and Compound 118;
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

14. The use of at least one compound selected from the compounds as claimed in claims 1 to 13 in the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of a medical condition by enhancing, stimulating, and/or increasing the immune response in a subject in need thereof, wherein the treatment comprises administering to the subject the medicament having a therapeutically effective amount of the at least one compound.

15. The use according to claim 14 wherein the treatment further comprises administering an additional agent prior to, after, or simultaneously with the medicament .

16. The use according to claim 15 wherein the additional agent is an antimicrobial agent, an antiviral agent, a cytotoxic agent, and/or an immune response modifier.

17. The use of one or more compounds selected from the compounds as claimed in claims 1 to 13 in the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of cancer by inhibiting growth, proliferation, or metastasis of cancer cells in a subject in need thereof, wherein the treatment comprises administering to the subject the medicament having a therapeutically effective amount of the one or more compounds.

18. The use according to claim 17 wherein the cancer is selected from melanoma, renal cell carcinoma, squamous non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC), non-squamous NSCLC, colorectal cancer, castration-resistant prostate cancer, ovarian cancer, gastric cancer, hepatocellular carcinoma, pancreatic carcinoma, squamous cell carcinoma of the head and neck, carcinomas of the esophagus, gastrointestinal tract and breast, and a hematological malignancy.

19. The use of at least one compound selected from the compounds as claimed in claims 1 to 13 in the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of an infectious disease in a subject in need thereof, wherein the treatment comprises administering to the subject the medicament having a therapeutically effective amount of the at least one compound.

20. The use according to claim 19 wherein the infectious disease is caused by a virus.

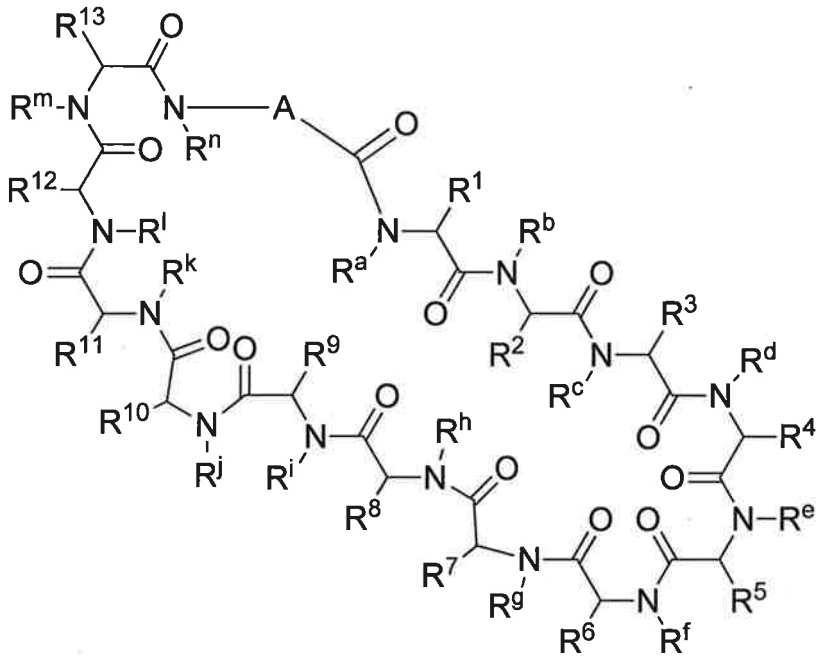
21. The use according to claim 20 wherein the virus is selected from HIV, Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, herpes virus, and influenza.

22. The use of one or more compounds selected from the compounds as claimed in claims 1 to 13 in the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of septic shock in a subject in need thereof, wherein the treatment comprises administering to the subject the medicament having a therapeutically effective amount of the one or more compounds.

23. The use of at least one compound selected from the compounds as claimed in claims 1 to 13 in the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of a medical condition by blocking the interaction of PD-L1 with PD-1 and/or CD80 in a subject, wherein the treatment comprises administering to the subject the medicament having a therapeutically effective amount of the at least one compound.

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

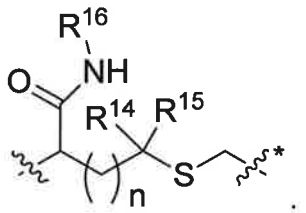
1. A compound of formula (I)



(I),

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein:

A is



;

wherein:

~~*~~ denotes the point of attachment to the carbonyl group and ~~~~ denotes the point of attachment to the nitrogen atom;

n is 0 or 1;

R^{14} and R^{15} are independently selected from hydrogen and methyl; and

R^{16} is selected from hydrogen, $-CHR^{17}C(O)NH_2$, $-CHR^{17}C(O)NHCHR^{18}C(O)NH_2$, and $-CHR^{17}C(O)NHCHR^{18}C(O)NHCH_2C(O)NH_2$;

wherein R^{17} is selected from hydrogen and $-CH_2OH$ and wherein R^{18} is selected from hydrogen and methyl;

R^c, R^f, R^h, R^i, R^m, and R^n are hydrogen;

R^a, R^e, and R^j, are each independently selected from hydrogen and methyl;

R^1, R^2, R^3, R^4, R^5, R^6, R^7, R^8, R^9, R^{10}, R^{11}, R^{12}, and R^{13} are independently selected from a natural amino acid side chain and an unnatural amino acid side chain or form a ring with the corresponding vicinal R group as described below;

R^e and R^k can each form a ring with the corresponding vicinal R group and the atoms to which they are attached selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one to four groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, and hydroxy;

R^b is methyl or, R^b and R^2, together with the atoms to which they are attached, form a ring selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one to four groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, and hydroxy;

R^d is methyl or, R^d and R^4, together with the atoms to which they are attached, form a ring selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one or two groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, hydroxy, and phenyl;

R_g is methyl or, R^g and R^7, together with the atoms to which they are attached, form a ring selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one or two groups independently selected from amino, benzyl optionally substituted with a halo group, benzyloxy, cyano, cyclohexyl, methyl, halo, hydroxy, isoquinolinyloxy optionally substituted with a methoxy group, quinolinyloxy optionally substituted with a halo group, and tetrazolyl; and wherein the pyrrolidine and the piperidine ring are optionally fused to a cyclohexyl, phenyl, or indole group;

R^l is methyl or, R^l and R^{12}, together with the atoms to which they are attached, form a ring selected from azetidine and pyrollidine, wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one to four groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, and hydroxy; and

R^k is methyl or, R^k and R^{11}, together with the atoms to which they are attached, form a ring selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one or two groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, and hydroxy.

2. A compound of claim 1, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein

R^d and R^4, together with the atoms to which they are attached, form a ring selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one or two groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, and hydroxy;

R^g and R^7, together with the atoms to which they are attached, form a pyrollidine ring, wherein said ring is optionally substituted with one or two groups independently selected from amino, benzyl optionally substituted with a halo group, benzyloxy, cyano, cyclohexyl, methyl, halo, hydroxy, isoquinolinyloxy optionally substituted with a methoxy group, quinolinyloxy optionally substituted with a halo group, and tetrazolyl; and wherein the pyrrolidine and the piperidine ring are optionally fused to a cyclohexyl, phenyl, or indole group; and

R^k is methyl.

3. A compound of claim 2, or a therapeutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^8 is selected from

azaindolylC_1-C_3alkyl, benzothiazolylC_1-C_3alkyl, benzothienylC_1-C_3alkyl, benzyloxyC_1-C_3alkyl, diphenylmethyl, furanylC_1-C_3alkyl, imidazolylC_1-C_3alkyl, naphthylC_1-C_3alkyl, pyridinylC_1-C_3alkyl, thiazolylC_1-C_3alkyl, thienylC_1-C_3alkyl; and

indolylC_1-C_3alkyl, wherein the indolyl part is optionally substituted with one group selected from C_1-C_3alkyl, cyano, halo, and hydroxy.

4. A compound of claim 3, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^8 is 3-indolylC_1-C_3alkyl optionally substituted with one group selected from C_1-C_3alkyl, halo, hydroxy, or cyano.

5. A compound selected from:

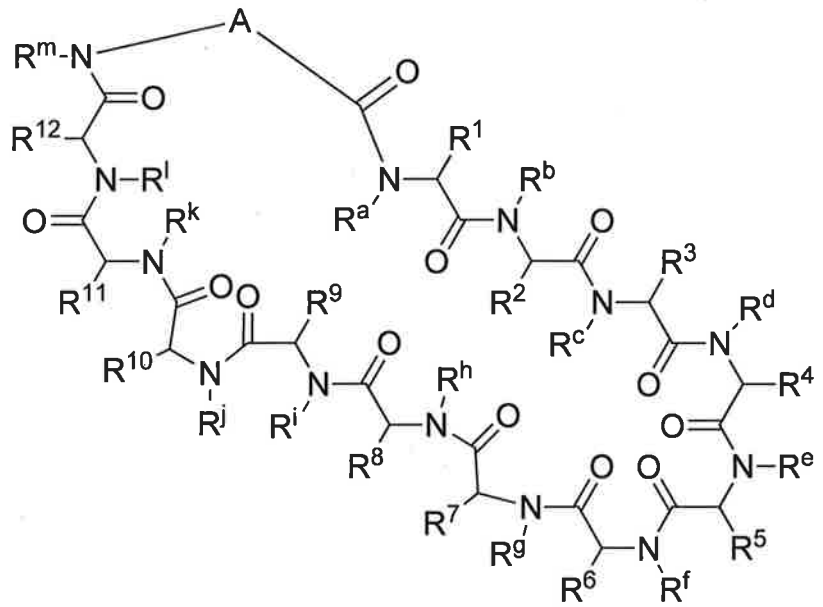
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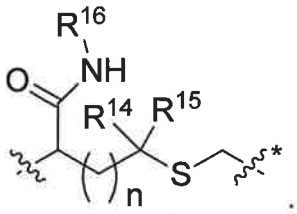
6. A compound of formula (II)



(II),

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein:

A is



;

wherein:

$\sim\!\!\sim^{*}$ denotes the point of attachment to the carbonyl group and $\sim\!\!\sim$ denotes the point of attachment to the nitrogen atom;

n is 0 or 1;

R^{14} and R^{15} are independently selected from hydrogen and methyl; and

R^{16} is selected from hydrogen, $-CHR^{17}C(O)NH_2$, $-CHR^{17}C(O)NHCHR^{18}C(O)NH_2$, and $-CHR^{17}C(O)NHCHR^{18}C(O)NHCH_2C(O)NH_2$;

wherein R^{17} is selected from hydrogen and $-CH_2OH$ and wherein R^{18} is selected from hydrogen and methyl;

R^a, R^f, R^j, R^k, R^l, and R^m are hydrogen;

R^b and R^c are methyl;

R^g is methyl;

R^1, R^2, R^3, R^4, R^5, R^6, R^7, R^8, R^9, R^{10}, R^{11}, and R^{12} are independently selected from a natural amino acid side chain and an unnatural amino acid side chain or form a ring with the corresponding vicinal R group as described below;

R^d is methyl, or, R^d and R^4, together with the atoms to which they are attached selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one or two groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, halomethyl, and hydroxy;;

R^e is selected from hydrogen and methyl, or, R^e and R^5, together with the atoms to which they are attached, form a ring selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one to four groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, halomethyl, and hydroxy;

R^h is selected from hydrogen and methyl, or, R^h and R^8, together with the atoms to which they are attached, form a ring selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine,

piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one to four groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, halomethyl, and hydroxy; and

R^i is methyl, or, R^i and R^9, together with the atoms to which they are attached selected from selected from azetidine, pyrollidine, morpholine, piperidine, piperazine, and tetrahydrothiazole; wherein each ring is optionally substituted with one or two groups independently selected from amino, cyano, methyl, halo, halomethyl, and hydroxy.

7. A compound of claim 6, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R^7 is phenylC_1-C_3alkyl optionally substituted with a fluoro group.

8. A compound selected from

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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

9. A compound selected from

Compound 99, Compound 100, Compound 101, Compound 102, Compound 103, Compound 104, Compound 105, Compound 106, Compound 107, Compound 108,

Compound 109, Compound 110, Compound 111, Compound 112, Compound 113, Compound 114, Compound 115, Compound 116, Compound 117, and Compound 118; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

10. A compound having the formula as set out in Example 6046, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

11. The use of at least one compound selected from the compounds as claimed in claims 1 to 10 in the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of a medical condition by enhancing, stimulating, and/or increasing the immune response in a subject in need thereof, wherein the treatment comprises administering to the subject the medicament having a therapeutically effective amount of the at least one compound.

12. The use according to claim 11 wherein the treatment further comprises administering an additional agent prior to, after, or simultaneously with the medicament .

13. The use according to claim 12 wherein the additional agent is an antimicrobial agent, an antiviral agent, a cytotoxic agent, and/or an immune response modifier.

14. The use of one or more compounds selected from the compounds as claimed in claims 1 to 10 in the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of cancer by inhibiting growth, proliferation, or metastasis of cancer cells in a subject in need thereof, wherein the treatment comprises administering to the subject the medicament having a therapeutically effective amount of the one or more compounds.

15. The use according to claim 14 wherein the cancer is selected from melanoma, renal cell carcinoma, squamous non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC), non-squamous NSCLC, colorectal cancer, castration-resistant prostate cancer, ovarian cancer, gastric cancer, hepatocellular carcinoma, pancreatic carcinoma, squamous cell carcinoma of the head and neck, carcinomas of the esophagus, gastrointestinal tract and breast, and a hematological malignancy.

16. The use of at least one compound selected from the compounds as claimed in claims 1 to 10 in the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of an infectious disease in a subject in need thereof, wherein the treatment comprises administering to the subject the medicament having a therapeutically effective amount of the at least one compound.

17. The use according to claim 16 wherein the infectious disease is caused by a virus.

18. The use according to claim 17 wherein the virus is selected from HIV, Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, herpes virus, and influenza.

19. The use of one or more compounds selected from the compounds as claimed in claims 1 to 10 in the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of septic shock in a subject in need thereof, wherein the treatment comprises administering to the subject the medicament having a therapeutically effective amount of the one or more compounds.

20. The use of at least one compound selected from the compounds as claimed in claims 1 to 10 in the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of a medical condition by blocking the interaction of PD-L1 with PD-1 and/or CD80 in a subject, wherein the treatment comprises administering to the subject the medicament having a therapeutically effective amount of the at least one compound.

21. The use of at least one compound selected from the compounds as claimed in claims 1 to 10 for use in therapy.

22. The use of at least one compound selected from the compounds as claimed in claims 1 to 10 for use as a medicament.