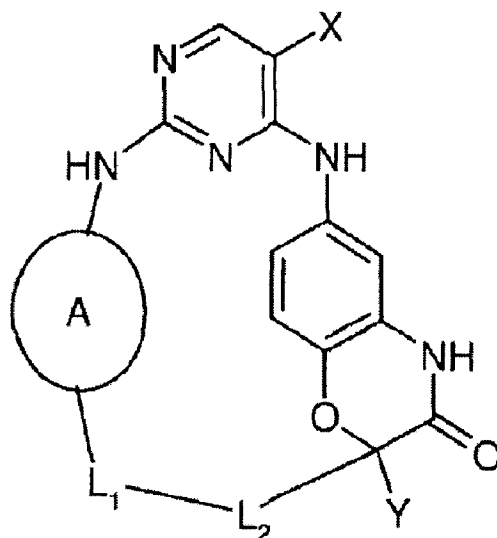




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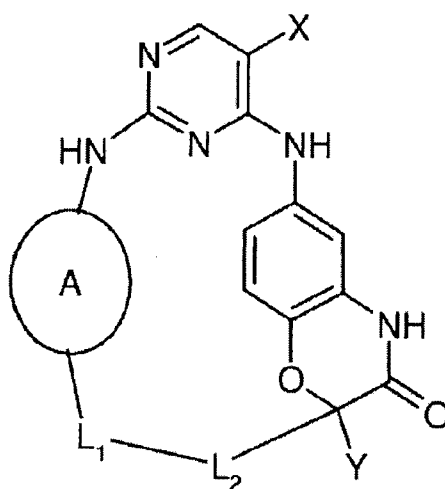
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(57) **Abrégé/Abstract:**

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ABSTRACT

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Cyclic Diaminopyrimidine Derivatives

5 BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The invention had the object of finding novel compounds having valuable properties, in particular those which can be used for the preparation of medicaments.

10 The present invention relates to compounds and to the use of compounds in which the inhibition, regulation and/or modulation of signal transduction by kinases, in particular tyrosine kinases, furthermore to pharmaceutical compositions which comprise these compounds, and to the use of the compounds
15 for the treatment of kinase-induced diseases.

Because protein kinases regulate nearly every cellular process, including metabolism, cell proliferation, cell differentiation, and cell survival, they are attractive targets for therapeutic intervention for various disease states. For
20 example, cell-cycle control and angiogenesis, in which protein kinases play a pivotal role are cellular processes associated with numerous disease conditions such as but not limited to cancer, inflammatory diseases, abnormal angiogenesis and diseases related thereto, atherosclerosis, macular degeneration, diabetes, obesity, and pain.

25 One of the key events in the signaling pathway following the activation of mast cells is activation of the tyrosine kinase Syk. Mast cells play a critical role in asthma and allergic disorders by releasing pro-inflammatory mediators and cytokines. Antigen-mediated aggregation of FcεRJ, the high-affinity receptor for
30 IgE, results in activation of mast cells. This triggers a series of signaling events resulting in the release of mediators, including histamine, proteases, leukotrienes and cytokines. These mediators cause increased vascular permeability, mucus production, bronchoconstriction, tissue degradation and inflammation, thus playing
35 key roles in the etiology and symptoms of asthma and allergic disorders. Syk kinase acts as a central initiator of all subsequent signaling leading to mediator

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release. The critical role of Syk kinase in the signaling path was demonstrated by the complete inhibition of mediator release by a protein containing the SH2 domains of Syk kinase that functioned as an inhibitor of Syk kinase (J. A. Taylor et al, Molec. and Cell Biol, 15: 4149-4157 (1995).

5 Syk (Spleen-Tyrosine-Kinase) is a 72 kDa non-receptor tyrosine kinase belonging to the subfamily of intracellular tyrosine kinases that comprises ZAP70, Pyk2, Abl, Tie2, KDR and HER, among others. Syk is a major regulator of FcR (FcγRI, II, III, FcεRI, FcαR) and BCR signaling and is expressed throughout hematopoietic
10 lineage, as well as in fibroblasts, osteoclasts, hepatocytes, epithelial and neuronal cells. In addition to the C terminal kinase domain, SYK exhibits two SH2 domains and over 10 autophosphorylation sites¹.

15 By means of both its SH2 domains SYK is specifically recruited to phosphorylated ITAMs (Immunoreceptor Tyrosine-based Activation Motifs present in immunoreceptors such as FcγRI, IIA, IIIA, FcαR, FcεRI and BCR, expressed by monocytes, macrophages, mast cells, neutrophils and B cells) and specifically
20 mediates immunoreceptor signaling triggered by activation of those receptors in mast cells, B cells, macrophages, monocytes, neutrophils, eosinophils, NK cells, DC cells platelets and osteoclasts^{1,2}.

25 Upon BCR cross linking, tyrosine residues at the ITAM motifs of the cytosolic tail of the Igα/Igβ are phosphorylated by the Src-family kinase Lyn, generating docking sites for SYK that is thus recruited to the BCR immunocomplex. SYK is then phosphorylated and activated by the Src-family kinase Lyn. Upon activation, SYK will phosphorylate the adaptor protein BLNK allowing its interaction with both
30 BTK and PLCγ₂ via their respective SH2 domains. SYK phosphorylated -and thus activated- BTK will in turn phosphorylate and activate PLCγ₂ leading to IP₃ formation, Ca²⁺ mobilization, PKC and MAPK activation and consequent NFAT, AP-1 and NFκB transcription factor activation, resulting in activation and surface
35 marker expression, cytokine release, survival and proliferation of B cells³. In mast cells, allergen activated FcεRI is phosphorylated by LYN and FYN and recruits

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SYK which is in turn phosphorylated by LYN and further autophosphorylated, becoming fully activated. Activated SYK phosphorylates the two adaptor molecules NTAL and LAT creating more docking sites for SH2 containing proteins such as PLC γ_1 , vav, and the p85 regulatory subunit of PI3K, resulting in mast cell degranulation and cytokine production⁴. Syk's critical role in signal transduction of mast cells is confirmed by reproducible observation that the 10-15% of basophils (circulating mast cells) from human donors that cannot degranulate have reduced amounts of Syk protein^{5,6}. In addition, SYK is required for the bone resorption activity of osteoclasts. Upon stimulation of osteoclasts by $\alpha v\beta 3$ integrin, SYK becomes phosphorylated, most likely by c-Src, in a DAP-12 / Fc γ RII dependent mechanism, leading to SPL-76 and Vav3 phosphorylation and subsequent cytoskeletal reorganisation. SYK deficient osteoclasts are inactive and show defective cytoskeletal reorganisation. In correlation with this, SYK deficient embryos show defective skeletal mass^{7,8}.

BCR-mediated activation of B-cells in the lymph nodes, as well as FcR-mediated activation of dendritic cells, monocytes, macrophages, neutrophils and mast cells in the joints, are essential components of the cellular patho-physiological mechanisms taking place during rheumatoid arthritis (RA). Moreover, activation of osteoclasts leads to the bone and cartilage destruction which are hallmarks of this pathology⁹. SYK signaling should therefore play a pivotal role during the development of arthritis, both at the periphery and on the site of inflammation¹⁰. Indeed, an orally available Syk inhibitor R406 -developed by Rigel- induced a significant improvement of clinical scores and significantly reduced serum cytokine concentrations, as well as bone erosion, in a murine model of RA^{11,12}. Moreover, this inhibitor has shown efficacy (ACR scores improvement) and good tolerability in RA Phase II studies in humans^{13,14,15}.

In SLE B cells contribute essentially towards pathogenesis via production of autoantibodies resulting in immune complex formation, stimulation of Fc receptors and finally in an excessive and chronic activation of inflammation. In a murine model of SLE treatment with a Syk inhibitor resulted in a reduction of numbers of

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class-switched germinal center , marginal zone, newly formed and follicular B cells and therefore in disease mitigating effects¹⁸.

Although TCR signals are transmitted by the intracellular tyrosine kinase ZAP-70 in thymocytes and naïve T cells, several studies indicate that differentiated effector T cells, such as those involved in the pathophysiology of Multiple sclerosis (MS) or systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE), show a down regulation of the TCRzeta chain and a concomitant upregulation of the TCR/CD3 chain and its interaction with FcRγ. Those studies show that the TCR/CD3/FcRgamma complex in effector cells recruits and activates Syk, instead of ZAP-70, tyrosine kinase. This physiologic switch in TCR signaling occurs exclusively in effector, and not naive or memory T cells^{16,17,18}. Not surprisingly then, SYK inhibitors have been shown to delay disease progression and to improve survival in murine models of SLE^{17,18,19,20,21}.

SYK inhibitors may also find a use in asthma, allergy, multiple sclerosis and other diseases such as thrombocytopenia purpura and T or B cell lymphomas^{1,10, 14,22-35}.

Treatment of prediseased NZB/W mice with a Syk inhibitor prevented the development of renal disease demonstrated by reduced glomerular sclerosis, tubular damage, proteinuria and BUN levels¹⁸.

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In addition to mast cells, Syk is expressed in other hematopoietic cells including B cells, where it is thought to play an essential role in transducing signals required for the transition of immature B cells into mature recirculating B cells (M. Turner et al, *Immunology Today*, 21: 148 (2000). B cells are reported to play an important
10 role in some inflammatory conditions such as lupus (O. T. Chan et al., *Immunological Rev*, 169: 107-121 (1999) and rheumatoid arthritis (A. Gause et al, *Biodrugs*, 15(2): 73-79 (2001).

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Syk was also reported to be an element of the signaling cascade in beta-amyloid and prion fibrils leading to production of neurotoxic products (C. K. Combs et al., *J. Neurosci*, 19: 928-939 (1999). Furthermore, an inhibitor of Syk blocked the production of these neurotoxic products. Thus furopyridine derivatives would potentially be useful in the treatment of Alzheimer's disease and related
20 neuroinflammatory diseases. Another report (Y. Kuno et al. , *Blood*, 97, 1050-1055 (2001) demonstrates that Syk plays an important role in malignant progression. A TEL-Syk fusion protein was found to transform hematopoietic cells suggesting a role in the pathogenesis of hematopoietic malignancies. Therefore furopyridine derivatives may be useful in the treatment of certain types of cancers.

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Other protein tyrosine kinases involved in hematologic malignancies include ABL (ABL1), ARG (ABL2), PDGF β R, PDGF α R, JAK2, TRKC, FGFR1, FGFR3, FLT3, and FRK.

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The Janus kinases (JAK) are a family of tyrosine kinases consisting of JAK1, JAK2, JAK3 and TYK2. The JAKs play a critical role in cytokine signaling. The down-stream substrates of the JAK family of kinases include the signal transducer and activator of transcription (STAT) proteins. JAK/STAT signaling has been
35 implicated in the mediation of many abnormal immune responses such as allergies, asthma, autoimmune diseases such as transplant (allograft) rejection,

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5 rheumatoid arthritis, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis and multiple sclerosis, as well as
in solid and hematologic malignancies such as leukemia and lymphomas (for a
review of the pharmaceutical intervention of the JAK/STAT pathway see Frank,
Mol. Med. 5, 432:456 (1999), and Seidel et al, Oncogene 19, 2645-2656 (2000).
JAK2 is a well validated target with strong potential in the treatment of
myeloproliferative disorders (MPDs), which include polycythemia vera (PV),
essential thrombocythemia, chronic idiopathic myelofibrosis, myeloid metaplasia
with myelofibrosis, chronic myeloid leukemia, chronic myelomonocytic leukemia,
10 chronic eosinophilic leukemia, hypereosinophilic syndrome and systematic mast
cell disease.

Fms-like tyrosine kinase 3 (FLT3), which is also known as FLK-2 (fetal liver kinase
2) and STK-I (stem cell kinase 1), plays an important role in the proliferation and
15 differentiation of hematopoietic stem cells. FLT3 receptor kinase is expressed in
normal hematopoietic cells, placenta, gonads, and brain. However, this enzyme is
expressed at very high levels on the cells of more than 80% of myelogenous
patients and of a fraction of acute lymphoblastic leukemia cells. Furthermore, the
enzyme can also be found on cells from patients with chronic myelogenous
20 leukemia in lymphoid blast crisis. It has been reported that FLT3 kinase is mutated
in 30% of acute myeloid leukemia (AML) and in a subset of acute lymphoblastic
leukemia (ALL) as well (Gilliland et al, Blood 100, 1532-1542 (2002); Stirewalt
etal, Nat. Rev. Cancer, 3, 650-665 (2003). The most common activating mutations
25 in FLT3 are internal tandem duplications within the juxtamembrane region, while
point mutations, insertions, or deletions in the kinase domain are less common.
Some of these mutant FLT3 kinases are constitutively active. FLT3 mutations
have been associated with a poor prognosis (Malempati et al., Blood, 104, 11
30 (2004). More than a dozen known FLT3 inhibitors are being developed and some
have shown promising clinical effects against AML (Levis et al Int. J. Hematol, 52,
100- 107 (2005).

35 It has been reported that some of small-molecule FLT3 inhibitors are effective in
inducing apoptosis in cell lines with FLT3-activating mutations and prolonging
survival of mice that express mutant FLT3 in their bone marrow cells (Levis et al,

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Blood, 99, 3885-3891 (2002); Kelly et al, Cancer Cell, 1, 421-432 (2002); Weisberg et al, Cancer Cell, 1, 433-443 (2002); Yee et al, Blood, 100, 2941-2949 (2002).

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In particular, the present invention relates to compounds and to the use of compounds in which the inhibition, regulation and/or modulation of signal transduction by Syk plays a role.

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The synthesis of small compounds which specifically inhibit, regulate and/or modulate signal transduction by tyrosine kinases in particular Syk, is therefore desirable and an aim of the present invention.

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Moreover, aim of this invention is the synthesis of new compounds for the prevention and treatment of rheumatoid arthritis, systemic lupus, asthma, allergic rhinitis, ITP, multiple sclerosis, leukemia, breast cancer and malignant melanoma. Surprisingly we have identified furopyridines that inhibit selectively SYK, BTK, KDR, Src, Zap70, Fak, Pyk2, Flt3 or Jak or inhibit a selection of these kinases.

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Moreover, compounds of formula I inhibit serin kinase GCN2.

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Many strategies of cancer treatment of solid tumors focus on the surgically removal of the tumor mass as far as possible and the subsequent eradication of any residual tumor cells by radiotherapy and chemotherapy with cytotoxic agents or inhibitors that target cancer cell pathways more specifically. However, the success of such approach is limited and often does not persist. This is mainly due to the narrow therapeutic window for such cytotoxic agents (specificity and side effects) and to the capability of cancer cells to adapt to the selective pressure applied by cytotoxic or other inhibitory agents. The survival of a small number of tumor (stem) cells that acquired resistance to the initial treatment can be sufficient to seed the regrowth of a tumor. These relapses are in most cases more difficult to treat compared to that of the initial tumors. As a consequence the more successful targeting of tumor cells may require targeting

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multiple survival and escape mechanism of tumor cells in parallel (Muller & Prendergast 2007).

5 Development of malignancies is accompanied by a major roll up of the cellular physiology. During this process several qualities are acquired by the cancer cells that are basis for immortalization or insensitivity to growth inhibitory signals. In addition the tumor cells also modify the interaction with the microenvironment and beyond. The latter area includes the strategies of tumor cells to escape from the immunological surveillance (Muller & 10 Prendergast 2007). The immune surveillance limits malignant growth but also provides a selective pressure triggering the evolution of mechanisms for evading the immune response as reviewed by [Dunn et al. 2004]. Essentially it has been frequently observed that ablation of T cell immunity is sufficient 15 to increase tumor incidence [Shankaran et al. 2001] and it is believed that immune escape is affecting tumor dormancy versus progression, promoting invasion and metastasis and negatively impacts on therapeutic response. Several mechanistic studies discovered that immune escape has an important interface with metabolic alterations within the tumor microenvironment. Here 20 important roles in mediating immune tolerance to antigens have been associated to the catabolism of the essential amino acids tryptophan and arginine, carried out by the enzymes indoleamine 2,3-dioxygenase (IDO) and arginase I (ARG), respectively (Bronte and Zanovello, 2005; Muller et al., 2005b; Muller and Prendergast, 2007; Munn and Mellor, 2007; Popovic et al., 25 2007).

IDO is a single-chain oxidoreductase that catalyzes the degradation of tryptophan to kynurenine. IDO is not responsible for catabolizing excess dietary 30 tryptophan but to modulate tryptophan level in a local environment. Elevations in tryptophan catabolism in cancer patients manifest in significantly altered serum concentration of tryptophan or catabolites and this was correlated to IDO which is commonly elevated in tumors and draining lymph nodes. According to several publications IDO over-expression is associated with poor prognosis in 35 cancer [Okamoto et al 2005; Brandacher et al, 2006].

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5 T cells appear to be preferentially sensitive to IDO activation, such that when starved for tryptophan they cannot divide and as a result cannot become activated by an antigen presented to them. Munn and Mellor and their colleagues, revealed that IDO modulates immunity by suppressing T-cell activation and by creating peripheral tolerance to tumor antigens (Mellor and Munn, 2004). These mechanism encompass the subversion of immune cells recruited by the tumor cell to its immediate microenvironment or to the tumor-draining lymph nodes Here the tumor antigens that were scavenged by antigen-presenting cells are cross-presented to the adaptive immune system. In addition to being directly toleragenic, mature DCs have the capacity to expand regulatory Tcells (Tregs) [Moser 2003].

15 Beside tryptophan catabolism the conversion of arginine is increased in a tumor-conditioned microenvironment, and numerous reports indicate a role for the activation of arginases during tumor growth and development. In tumor-infiltrating myeloid cells, arginine is converted by arginase I (ARG1), arginase II (ARG2) to urea and ornithine and oxidized by the inducible form of nitric oxide synthase (NOS2) to citrulline and nitric oxide (NO).

20 Increased ARG activity is frequently observed in patients with colon, breast, lung, and prostate cancer [Cederbaum 2004] correlating with the over-expression of ARG and NOS found in prostate cancers [Keskinene et al. 2001, Aaltoma et al. 2001, Wang et al. 2003]. It was shown that ARG activity in infiltrating macrophages impairs antigen-specific T cell responses and the expression of the CD3 receptor. Moreover the cumulative activity of ARG and NOS in tumor associated myeloid cells can generate inhibitory signals to antigen-specific T lymphocytes that eventually lead to apoptosis [Bronte 2003 a; 2003b].

30 Both, the IDO and the ARG related mechanism merge at the point of sensing the depleted concentration of the respective amino acid concentration. During amino acid deprivation, the eIF2 kinase EIF2AK4 called general control nonderepressible 2 (GCN2) is interacting with the intracellular accumulating deacylated tRNA. As a consequence the GCN2 is assumed to change from an auto-inhibited to an active conformation and further activate by auto-

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phosphorylation. Then the only known substrate protein eIF2a becomes phosphorylated and as a consequence the complex for translation initiation is inhibited [Harding et al. 2000,]. This diminishes the general Cap-dependent translation initiation and by this the corresponding protein production. On the other hand this induces the specific expression of stress related target genes mainly by cap-independent initiation via the activating transcription factor 4 (ATF4). By expressing the respective stress response proteins, e.g. enzymes in the in amino acid metabolism, the cell tries to compensate the particular cell stress [Wek et al. 2006]. If the stress persists, the same pathway will switch to promoting cell death via transcription of the pro-apoptotic transcription factor, CCAAT/enhancer-binding protein homologous protein (CHOP) [Oyadomari 2004]. It was shown that, tryptophan starvation triggers a GCN2- dependent stress signaling pathway In T cells altering eIF2aphosphorylation and translational initiation leading to a cell growth arrest (Munn et al. 2005). Sharma, et al. [2007] published on the direct IDO-induced and GCN2-dependent activation of mature Tregs. Similarly Fallarino et al [2006] found a GCN2-dependent conversion of CD4+CD25- cells to CD25+FoxP3+ Tregs producing IL-10 and TGF . Rodriguez et al. [2007] identified that activation of the GCN2 pathway via tryptophan or arginine depletion in combination with TCR signaling leads to CD3 chain down regulation, cell cycle arrest and anergy.

Importantly the GCN2 pathway is not only important for the tumoral immune escape but also plays an active role in modulating tumor survival directly. Ye et al [2010] found that the aforementioned transcription factor ATF4 is over-expressed inhuman solid tumors, suggesting an important function in tumour progression. Amino acid and glucose deprivation are typical stresses found in solid tumours and activated the GCN2 pathway to up-regulate ATF4 target genes involved in amino acid synthesis and transport. GCN2 activation/overexpression and increased phospho-eIF2a were observed in human and mouse tumors compared with normal tissues and abrogation of ATF4 or GCN2 expression significantly inhibited tumor growth in vivo. It was

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concluded that the GCN2-eIF2a-ATF4 pathway is critical for maintaining metabolic homeostasis in tumor cells.

5 Over all the present biology makes an interference with the ARG/IDO pathway attractive for braking up the tumoral immune escape by adaptive mechanism. The interference of GCN2 function is here of particular interest as it is a merging point of the two pathways, the IDO and ARG, as well as it provides additional opportunities to impede with the tumor metabolism directly.

10 Several pathway inhibitors are already considered as immune modulators. These inhibitors address mainly the enzymatic function of the IDO or ARG proteins (Muller and Scherle, 2006). The application of the arginase inhibitor, N-hydroxy-nor-L-Arg blocks growth of s.c. 3LL lung carcinoma in mice [Rodriguez
15 2004]. The NO-donating aspirins like NCX 4016 (2-(acetyloxy)benzoic acid 3-(nitrooxymethyl) phenyl ester) have been reported to interfere with the inhibitory enzymatic activities of myeloid cells. Orally administered NO aspirin normalized the immune status of tumor-bearing hosts, increased the number and function
20 of tumor-antigen-specific T lymphocytes, and enhanced the preventive and therapeutic effectiveness of the antitumor immunity elicited by cancer vaccination (DeSanto 2005)

The substrate analogue 1 methyl-tryptophan (1MT) and related molecules have
25 been used widely to target IDO in the cancer context and other settings. Studies by Friberg et al. (2002) and Uyttenhove et al. (2003) demonstrated that 1MT can limit the growth of tumors over-expressing IDO. However 1MT was unable to elicit tumor regression in several tumor models, suggesting only modest antitumor efficacy when IDO inhibition was applied as a monotherapy.
30 In contrast, the combinatory treatment with 1MT and a variety of cytotoxic chemotherapeutic agents elicited regression of established MMTV-neu/HER2 tumors, which responded poorly to any single-agent therapy [Muller et al 2005a]. Immunodepletion of CD4+ or CD8+ T cells from the mice, before
35 treatment abolished the combinatorial efficacy observed in this model, confirming the expectation that 1MT acted indirectly through activation of T cell-

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mediated antitumor immunity. Important evidence that IDO targeting is essential to 1MT action was provided by the demonstration that 1MT lacks antitumor activity in mice that are genetically deficient for IDO [Hou et al., 2007] The inhibition of GCN2 would enable to combine the two pathway branches of amino acid starvation induced immunoediting and would reduce the options for the tumor to circumvent the inhibition of either branch. Moreover, as detailed above, the GCN2 inhibition provides the opportunity for interfering with the tumor metabolism at the same time what may enhance the efficacy of a monotherapy or a combination therapy with other anticancer approaches.

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35 It has been found that the compounds according to the invention and salts thereof have very valuable pharmacological properties while being well tolerated.

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5 The present invention specifically relates to compounds of the formula I which inhibit, regulate and/or modulate signal transduction by Syk, to compositions which comprise these compounds, and to processes for the use thereof for the treatment of Syk-induced diseases and complaints.

10 The compounds of the formula I can furthermore be used for the isolation and investigation of the activity or expression of Syk. In addition, they are particularly suitable for use in diagnostic methods for diseases in connection with unregulated or disturbed Syk activity.

15 The host or patient can belong to any mammalian species, for example a primate species, particularly humans; rodents, including mice, rats and hamsters; rabbits; horses, cows, dogs, cats, etc. Animal models are of interest for experimental investigations, providing a model for treatment of human disease.

20 The susceptibility of a particular cell to treatment with the compounds according to the invention can be determined by in vitro tests. Typically, a culture of the cell is combined with a compound according to the invention at various concentrations for a period of time which is sufficient to allow active agents such as anti IgM to induce a cellular response such as expression of a surface marker, usually between about one hour and one week. In vitro testing can be carried out using cultivated cells from blood or from a biopsy sample. The amount of surface marker expressed are assessed by flow cytometry using specific antibodies recognising the marker.

30 The dose varies depending on the specific compound used, the specific disease, the patient status, etc. A therapeutic dose is typically sufficient considerably to reduce the undesired cell population in the target tissue while the viability of the patient is maintained. The treatment is generally continued until a considerable reduction has occurred, for example an at least about 50%
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reduction in the cell burden, and may be continued until essentially no more undesired cells are detected in the body.

5 For identification of a signal transduction pathway and for detection of interactions between various signal transduction pathways, various scientists have developed suitable models or model systems, for example cell culture models (for example Khwaja et al., EMBO, 1997, 16, 2783-93) and models of transgenic animals (for example White et al., Oncogene, 2001, 20, 7064-10 7072). For the determination of certain stages in the signal transduction cascade, interacting compounds can be utilised in order to modulate the signal (for example Stephens et al., Biochemical J., 2000, 351, 95-105). The compounds according to the invention can also be used as reagents for testing 15 kinase-dependent signal transduction pathways in animals and/or cell culture models or in the clinical diseases mentioned in this application.

Measurement of the kinase activity is a technique which is well known to the person skilled in the art. Generic test systems for the determination of the 20 kinase activity using substrates, for example histone (for example Alessi et al., FEBS Lett. 1996, 399, 3, pages 333-338) or the basic myelin protein, are described in the literature (for example Campos-González, R. and Glenney, Jr., J.R. 1992, J. Biol. Chem. 267, page 14535).

25 For the identification of kinase inhibitors, various assay systems are available. In scintillation proximity assay (Sorg et al., J. of. Biomolecular Screening, 2002, 7, 11-19) and flashplate assay, the radioactive phosphorylation of a protein or 30 peptide as substrate with γ ATP is measured. In the presence of an inhibitory compound, a decreased radioactive signal, or none at all, is detectable. Furthermore, homogeneous time-resolved fluorescence resonance energy transfer (HTR-FRET) and fluorescence polarisation (FP) technologies are 35 suitable as assay methods (Sills et al., J. of Biomolecular Screening, 2002, 191-214).

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Other non-radioactive ELISA assay methods use specific phospho-antibodies (phospho-ABs). The phospho-AB binds only the phosphorylated substrate. This binding can be detected by chemiluminescence using a second peroxidase-conjugated anti-sheep antibody (Ross et al., 2002, Biochem. J.).

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PRIOR ART

Other macrocyclic pyrimidine derivatives are disclosed as aurora kinase inhibitors in WO 2010/028116 A1.

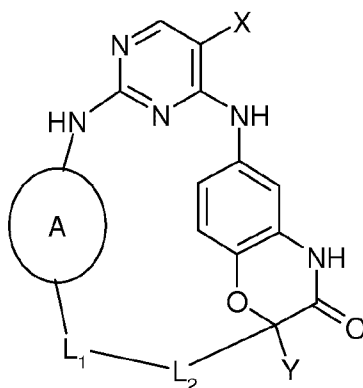
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SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The invention relates to compounds of the formula I

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in which



denotes phenylen or 2,3-dihydro-indol-1,6-diyl, each of which is unsubstituted or monosubstituted by OA,

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X denotes Hal,

Y denotes alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 C atoms,

L_1 denotes $(CH_2)_nNR^1CO$, $(CH_2)_n$, $NH(CH_2)_n$, OCH_2CHOH , $NHCO(CH_2)_n$, $CO(CH_2)_nNR^1$, $CONR^2$, $(CH_2)_nCONR^1$,

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$O(CH_2)_pCONR^1$, $NR^1CONR^3CHR^4CONR^1$, $SO_2NR^1(CH_2)_pCONR^1$ or $O(CH_2)_pNR^1CO$,

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- L_2 denotes $O(CH_2)_p$, $(CH_2)_nNR^1CO$, $O(CH_2)_pNR^1CO$, CHR^5NR^1CO or CHR^3NR^4CO ,
 R^1 denotes H or methyl,
 R^2 denotes denotes piperidinyl, piperazinyl, pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl,
 5 2,3-dihydro-pyrazolyl, 1,2-dihydro-pyridyl or tetrahydropyranyl, each of which is unsubstituted or mono- or disubstituted by A and/or =O,
 R^3 and R^4 together denote an alkylene chain having 2, 3 or 4 CH_2 groups,
 R^5 denotes A or benzyl,
 10 A denotes unbranched or branched alkyl having 1-10 C atoms, in which 1-7 H atoms may be replaced by F and/or in which one or two non-adjacent CH and/or CH_2 groups may be replaced by O or N ,
 Hal denotes F, Cl, Br or I,
 15 n denotes 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4,
 p denotes 1, 2, 3 or 4,
 and pharmaceutically usable solvates, salts, tautomers and stereoisomers thereof, including mixtures thereof in all ratios.
- 20 The invention also relates to the optically active forms (stereoisomers), the enantiomers, the racemates, the diastereomers and the hydrates and solvates of these compounds.
 Moreover, the invention relates to pharmaceutically acceptable derivatives of
 25 compounds of formula I.
 The term solvates of the compounds is taken to mean adductions of inert solvent molecules onto the compounds which form owing to their mutual attractive force. Solvates are, for example, mono- or dihydrates or alcoholates.
 30 The term pharmaceutically acceptable derivatives is taken to mean, for example, the salts of the compounds according to the invention and also so-called prodrug compounds.
 As used herein and unless otherwise indicated, the term "prodrug" means a
 35 derivative of a compound of formula I that can hydrolyze, oxidize, or otherwise react under biological conditions (in vitro or in vivo) to provide an active

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compound, particularly a compound of formula I. Examples of prodrugs include, but are not limited to, derivatives and metabolites of a compound of formula I that include biohydrolyzable moieties such as biohydrolyzable amides, biohydrolyzable esters, biohydrolyzable carbamates, biohydrolyzable carbonates, biohydrolyzable ureides, and biohydrolyzable phosphate analogues. In certain embodiments, prodrugs of compounds with carboxyl functional groups are the lower alkyl esters of the carboxylic acid. The carboxylate esters are conveniently formed by esterifying any of the carboxylic acid moieties present on the molecule. Prodrugs can typically be prepared using well-known methods, such as those described by Burger 's Medicinal Chemistry and Drug Discovery 6th ed. (Donald J. Abraham ed., 2001, Wiley) and Design and Application of Prodrugs (H.Bundgaard ed., 1985, Harwood Academic Publishers Gmhf).

The expression "effective amount" denotes the amount of a medicament or of a pharmaceutical active ingredient which causes in a tissue, system, animal or human a biological or medical response which is sought or desired, for example, by a researcher or physician.

In addition, the expression "therapeutically effective amount" denotes an amount which, compared with a corresponding subject who has not received this amount, has the following consequence: improved treatment, healing, prevention or elimination of a disease, syndrome, condition, complaint, disorder or side-effects or also the reduction in the advance of a disease, complaint or disorder.

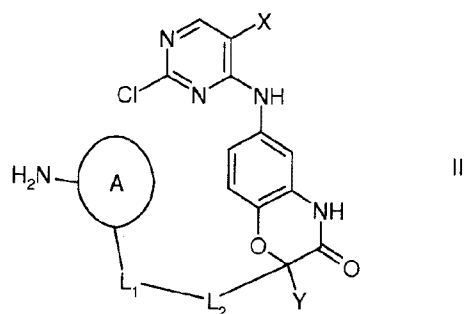
The expression "therapeutically effective amount" also encompasses the amounts which are effective for increasing normal physiological function.

The invention also relates to the use of mixtures of the compounds of the formula I, for example mixtures of two diastereomers, for example in the ratio 1:1, 1:2, 1:3, 1:4, 1:5, 1:10, 1:100 or 1:1000.

These are particularly preferably mixtures of stereoisomeric compounds.

"Tautomers" refers to isomeric forms of a compound that are in equilibrium with each other. The concentrations of the isomeric forms will depend on the environment the compound is found in and may be different depending upon, for example, whether the compound is a solid or is in an organic or aqueous solution.

The invention relates to the compounds of the formula I and salts thereof and to a process for the preparation of compounds of the formula I and pharmaceutically usable salts, solvates, tautomers and stereoisomers thereof, characterised in that characterised in that a compound of the formula II



in which



L_1 , L_2 , X and Y have the meanings indicated herein,

is cyclized,

and/or

a base or acid of the formula I is converted into one of its salts.

Above and below, the radicals



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L₁, L₂, X and have the meanings indicated for the formula I, unless expressly stated otherwise.

5 A denotes alkyl, this is unbranched (linear) or branched, and has 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 or 10 C atoms. A preferably denotes methyl, furthermore ethyl, propyl, isopropyl, butyl, isobutyl, sec-butyl or tert-butyl, furthermore also pentyl, 1-, 2- or 3-methylbutyl, 1,1-, 1,2- or 2,2-dimethylpropyl, 1-ethylpropyl, hexyl, 1-, 2-, 3- or 4-methylpentyl, 1,1-, 1,2-, 1,3-, 2,2-, 2,3- or 3,3-dimethylbutyl, 1-
10 or 2-ethylbutyl, 1-ethyl-1-methylpropyl, 1-ethyl-2-methylpropyl, 1,1,2- or 1,2,2-trimethylpropyl, furthermore preferably, for example, trifluoromethyl.
A very particularly preferably denotes alkyl having 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6 C atoms, preferably methyl, ethyl, propyl, isopropyl, butyl, isobutyl, sec-butyl, tert-butyl,
15 pentyl, hexyl, trifluoromethyl, pentafluoroethyl or 1,1,1-trifluoroethyl.
Moreover, A denotes e.g. CH₂OCH₃, CH₂CH₂OH, OCH₂CH₂NH₂, CH₂NHCH₂ or NHCH₂CH₃.

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preferably denotes 1,3- or 1,4-phenylen or 2,3-dihydro-indol-1,6-diyl, each of which is unsubstituted or monosubstituted by OA.

Y particularly preferably denotes methyl.

25 R² particularly preferably denotes piperidinyl or pyrrolidinyl, each of which is unsubstituted or monosubstituted by A.

Hal preferably denotes F, Cl or Br, but also I, particularly preferably F or Cl.

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Throughout the invention, all radicals which occur more than once may be identical or different, i.e. are independent of one another.

The compounds of the formula I may have one or more chiral centres and can therefore occur in various stereoisomeric forms. The formula I encompasses
35 all these forms.

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5 The compounds of the formula I and also the starting materials for their preparation are, in addition, prepared by methods known per se, as described in the literature (for example in the standard works, such as Houben-Weyl, Methoden der organischen Chemie [Methods of Organic Chemistry], Georg-Thieme-Verlag, Stuttgart), to be precise Use can also be made here of variants known per se which are not mentioned here in greater detail.

10 The starting compounds of the formulae II known. If they are novel, however, they can be prepared by methods known per se.

Compounds of the formula I can preferably be obtained by cyclizing a compound of the formula II.

15 Depending on the conditions used, the reaction time is between a few minutes and 14 days, the reaction temperature is between about -30° and 140°, normally between 0° and 100°, in particular between about 60° and about 90°. Examples of suitable inert solvents are hydrocarbons, such as hexane, 20 petroleum ether, benzene, toluene or xylene; chlorinated hydrocarbons, such as trichloroethylene, 1,2-dichloroethane, carbon tetrachloride, chloroform or dichloromethane; alcohols, such as methanol, ethanol, isopropanol, n-propanol, n-butanol or tert-butanol; ethers, such as diethyl ether, diisopropyl 25 ether, tetrahydrofuran (THF) or dioxane; glycol ethers, such as ethylene glycol monomethyl or monoethyl ether, ethylene glycol dimethyl ether (diglyme); ketones, such as acetone or butanone; amides, such as acetamide, dimethylacetamide or dimethylformamide (DMF); nitriles, such as acetonitrile; 30 sulfoxides, such as dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO); carbon disulfide; carboxylic acids, such as formic acid or acetic acid; nitro compounds, such as nitromethane or nitrobenzene; esters, such as ethyl acetate, or mixtures of the said solvents.

35 Particular preference is given to acetonitrile, dimethylformamide, trifluoroacetic acid and/or mixtures thereof.

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Pharmaceutical salts and other forms

The said compounds according to the invention can be used in their final non-salt form. On the other hand, the present invention also encompasses the use of these compounds in the form of their pharmaceutically acceptable salts, which can be derived from various organic and inorganic acids and bases by procedures known in the art. Pharmaceutically acceptable salt forms of the compounds of the formula I are for the most part prepared by conventional methods. If the compound of the formula I contains a carboxyl group, one of its suitable salts can be formed by reacting the compound with a suitable base to give the corresponding base-addition salt. Such bases are, for example, alkali metal hydroxides, including potassium hydroxide, sodium hydroxide and lithium hydroxide; alkaline earth metal hydroxides, such as barium hydroxide and calcium hydroxide; alkali metal alkoxides, for example potassium ethoxide and sodium propoxide; and various organic bases, such as piperidine, diethanolamine and N-methylglutamine. The aluminium salts of the compounds of the formula I are likewise included. In the case of certain compounds of the formula I, acid-addition salts can be formed by treating these compounds with pharmaceutically acceptable organic and inorganic acids, for example hydrogen halides, such as hydrogen chloride, hydrogen bromide or hydrogen iodide, other mineral acids and corresponding salts thereof, such as sulfate, nitrate or phosphate and the like, and alkyl- and monoarylsulfonates, such as ethanesulfonate, toluenesulfonate and benzenesulfonate, and other organic acids and corresponding salts thereof, such as acetate, trifluoroacetate, tartrate, maleate, succinate, citrate, benzoate, salicylate, ascorbate and the like. Accordingly, pharmaceutically acceptable acid-addition salts of the compounds of the formula I include the following: acetate, adipate, alginate, arginate, aspartate, benzoate, benzenesulfonate (besylate), bisulfate, bisulfite, bromide, butyrate, camphorate, camphorsulfonate, caprylate, chloride, chlorobenzoate, citrate, cyclopentanepropionate, digluconate, dihydrogenphosphate, dinitrobenzoate, dodecylsulfate, ethanesulfonate, fumarate, galacterate (from mucic acid), galacturonate, glucoheptanoate, gluconate, glutamate, glycerophosphate, hemisuccinate, hemi-

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sulfate, heptanoate, hexanoate, hippurate, hydrochloride, hydrobromide, hydroiodide, 2-hydroxyethanesulfonate, iodide, isethionate, isobutyrate, lactate, lactobionate, malate, maleate, malonate, mandelate, metaphosphate, methanesulfonate, methylbenzoate, monohydrogenphosphate, 2-naphthalenesulfonate, nicotinate, nitrate, oxalate, oleate, palmoate, pectinate, persulfate, phenylacetate, 3-phenylpropionate, phosphate, phosphonate, phthalate, but this does not represent a restriction.

Furthermore, the base salts of the compounds according to the invention include aluminium, ammonium, calcium, copper, iron(III), iron(II), lithium, magnesium, manganese(III), manganese(II), potassium, sodium and zinc salts, but this is not intended to represent a restriction. Of the above-mentioned salts, preference is given to ammonium; the alkali metal salts sodium and potassium, and the alkaline earth metal salts calcium and magnesium. Salts of the compounds of the formula I which are derived from pharmaceutically acceptable organic non-toxic bases include salts of primary, secondary and tertiary amines, substituted amines, also including naturally occurring substituted amines, cyclic amines, and basic ion exchanger resins, for example arginine, betaine, caffeine, chlorprocaine, choline, N,N'-dibenzylethylenediamine (benzathine), dicyclohexylamine, diethanolamine, diethylamine, 2-diethylaminoethanol, 2-dimethylaminoethanol, ethanolamine, ethylenediamine, N-ethylmorpholine, N-ethylpiperidine, glucamine, glucosamine, histidine, hydrabamine, isopropylamine, lidocaine, lysine, meglumine, N-methyl-D-glucamine, morpholine, piperazine, piperidine, polyamine resins, procaine, purines, theobromine, triethanolamine, triethylamine, trimethylamine, tripropylamine and tris(hydroxymethyl)methylamine (tromethamine), but this is not intended to represent a restriction.

Compounds of the present invention which contain basic nitrogen-containing groups can be quaternised using agents such as (C₁-C₄)alkyl halides, for example methyl, ethyl, isopropyl and tert-butyl chloride, bromide and iodide; di(C₁-C₄)alkyl sulfates, for example dimethyl, diethyl and diamyl sulfate; (C₁₀-

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C₁₈)alkyl halides, for example decyl, dodecyl, lauryl, myristyl and stearyl chloride, bromide and iodide; and aryl(C₁-C₄)alkyl halides, for example benzyl chloride and phenethyl bromide. Both water- and oil-soluble compounds according to the invention can be prepared using such salts.

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The above-mentioned pharmaceutical salts which are preferred include acetate, trifluoroacetate, besylate, citrate, fumarate, gluconate, hemisuccinate, hippurate, hydrochloride, hydrobromide, isethionate, mandelate, meglumine, nitrate, oleate, phosphonate, pivalate, sodium phosphate, stearate, sulfate, sulfosalicylate, tartrate, thiomalate, tosylate and tromethamine, but this is not intended to represent a restriction.

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Particular preference is given to hydrochloride, dihydrochloride, hydrobromide, maleate, mesylate, phosphate, sulfate and succinate.

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The acid-addition salts of basic compounds of the formula I are prepared by bringing the free base form into contact with a sufficient amount of the desired acid, causing the formation of the salt in a conventional manner. The free base can be regenerated by bringing the salt form into contact with a base and isolating the free base in a conventional manner. The free base forms differ in a certain respect from the corresponding salt forms thereof with respect to certain physical properties, such as solubility in polar solvents; for the purposes of the invention, however, the salts otherwise correspond to the respective free base forms thereof.

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As mentioned, the pharmaceutically acceptable base-addition salts of the compounds of the formula I are formed with metals or amines, such as alkali metals and alkaline earth metals or organic amines. Preferred metals are sodium, potassium, magnesium and calcium. Preferred organic amines are N,N'-dibenzylethylenediamine, chlorprocaine, choline, diethanolamine, ethylenediamine, N-methyl-D-glucamine and procaine.

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The base-addition salts of acidic compounds according to the invention are prepared by bringing the free acid form into contact with a sufficient amount of the desired base, causing the formation of the salt in a conventional manner. The free acid can be regenerated by bringing the salt form into contact with an acid and isolating the free acid in a conventional manner. The free acid forms differ in a certain respect from the corresponding salt forms thereof with respect to certain physical properties, such as solubility in polar solvents; for the purposes of the invention, however, the salts otherwise correspond to the respective free acid forms thereof.

If a compound according to the invention contains more than one group which is capable of forming pharmaceutically acceptable salts of this type, the invention also encompasses multiple salts. Typical multiple salt forms include, for example, bitartrate, diacetate, difumarate, dimeglumine, diphosphate, disodium and trihydrochloride, but this is not intended to represent a restriction.

With regard to that stated above, it can be seen that the expression "pharmaceutically acceptable salt" in the present connection is taken to mean an active ingredient which comprises a compound of the formula I in the form of one of its salts, in particular if this salt form imparts improved pharmacokinetic properties on the active ingredient compared with the free form of the active ingredient or any other salt form of the active ingredient used earlier. The pharmaceutically acceptable salt form of the active ingredient can also provide this active ingredient for the first time with a desired pharmacokinetic property which it did not have earlier and can even have a positive influence on the pharmacodynamics of this active ingredient with respect to its therapeutic efficacy in the body.

Isotopes

There is furthermore intended that a compound of the formula I includes isotope-labelled forms thereof. An isotope-labelled form of a compound of the

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formula I is identical to this compound apart from the fact that one or more atoms of the compound have been replaced by an atom or atoms having an atomic mass or mass number which differs from the atomic mass or mass number of the atom which usually occurs naturally. Exam-ples of isotopes which are readily commercially available and which can be incorporated into a compound of the formula I by well-known methods include isotopes of hydrogen, carbon, nitrogen, oxygen, phos-phorus, fluo-rine and chlorine, for example ^2H , ^3H , ^{13}C , ^{14}C , ^{15}N , ^{18}O , ^{17}O , ^{31}P , ^{32}P , ^{35}S , ^{18}F and ^{36}Cl , respectively.

A compound of the formula I, a prodrug, thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of either which contains one or more of the above-mentioned isotopes and/or other iso-topes of other atoms is intended to be part of the present invention. An isotope-labelled compound of the formula I can be used in a number of beneficial ways. For example, an isotope-labelled compound of the formula I into which, for example, a radioisotope, such as ^3H or ^{14}C , has been incorporated is suitable for medicament and/or substrate tissue distribution assays. These radioisotopes, i.e. tritium (^3H) and carbon-14 (^{14}C), are particularly preferred owing to simple preparation and excellent detectability. Incor-po-ra-tion of heavier isotopes, for example deuterium (^2H), into a compound of the formula I has therapeutic advantages owing to the higher metabolic stability of this isotope-labelled compound. Higher metabolic stability translates directly into an increased in vivo half-life or lower dosages, which under most circumstances would represent a preferred embodi-ment of the present invention. An isotope-labelled compound of the formula I can usually be prepared by carrying out the procedures dis-closed in the synthesis schemes and the related description, in the example part and in the preparation part in the present text, replacing a non-isotope-labelled reactant by a readily available isotope-labelled reactant.

Deuterium (^2H) can also be incorporated into a compound of the formula I for the purpose in order to manipulate the oxidative metabolism of the compound by way of the primary kinetic isotope effect. The primary kinetic isotope effect is a change of the rate for a chemical reaction that results from exchange of

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isotopic nuclei, which in turn is caused by the change in ground state energies necessary for covalent bond formation after this isotopic exchange. Exchange of a heavier isotope usually results in a lowering of the ground state energy for a chemical bond and thus cause a reduction in the rate in rate-limiting bond breakage. If the bond breakage occurs in or in the vicinity of a saddle-point region along the coordinate of a multi-product reaction, the product distribution ratios can be altered substantially. For explanation: if deuterium is bonded to a carbon atom at a non-exchangeable position, rate differences of $k_M/k_D = 2-7$ are typical. If this rate difference is successfully applied to a compound of the formula I that is susceptible to oxidation, the profile of this compound in vivo can be drastically modified and result in improved pharmacokinetic properties.

When discovering and developing therapeutic agents, the person skilled in the art attempts to optimise pharmacokinetic parameters while retaining desirable in vitro properties. It is reasonable to assume that many compounds with poor pharmacokinetic profiles are susceptible to oxidative metabolism. In vitro liver microsomal assays currently available provide valuable information on the course of oxidative metabolism of this type, which in turn permits the rational design of deuterated compounds of the formula I with improved stability through resistance to such oxidative metabolism. Significant improvements in the pharmacokinetic profiles of compounds of the formula I are thereby obtained, and can be expressed quantitatively in terms of increases in the in vivo half-life ($t_{1/2}$), concentration at maximum therapeutic effect (C_{max}), area under the dose response curve (AUC), and F; and in terms of reduced clearance, dose and materials costs.

The following is intended to illustrate the above: a compound of the formula I which has multiple potential sites of attack for oxidative metabolism, for example benzylic hydrogen atoms and hydrogen atoms bonded to a nitrogen atom, is prepared as a series of analogues in which various combinations of hydrogen atoms are replaced by deuterium atoms, so that some, most or all of these hydrogen atoms have been replaced by deuterium atoms. Half-life

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determinations enable favourable and accurate determination of the extent of the extent to which the improvement in resistance to oxidative metabolism has improved. In this way, it is determined that the half-life of the parent compound can be extended by up to 100% as the result of deuterium-hydrogen exchange of this type.

Deuterium-hydrogen exchange in a compound of the formula I can also be used to achieve a favourable modification of the metabolite spectrum of the starting compound in order to diminish or eliminate undesired toxic metabolites. For example, if a toxic metabolite arises through oxidative carbon-hydrogen (C-H) bond cleavage, it can reasonably be assumed that the deuterated analogue will greatly diminish or eliminate production of the unwanted metabolite, even if the particular oxidation is not a rate-determining step. Further information on the state of the art with respect to deuterium-hydrogen exchange may be found, for example in Hanzlik et al., J. Org. Chem. **55**, 3992-3997, 1990, Reider et al., J. Org. Chem. **52**, 3326-3334, 1987, Foster, Adv. Drug Res. **14**, 1-40, 1985, Gillette et al, Biochemistry **33**(10) 2927-2937, 1994, and Jarman et al. Carcinogenesis **16**(4), 683-688, 1993.

The invention furthermore relates to medicaments comprising at least one compound of the formula I and/or pharmaceutically acceptable derivatives, solvates and stereoisomers thereof, including mixtures thereof in all ratios, and optionally excipients and/or adjuvants.

Pharmaceutical formulations can be administered in the form of dosage units which comprise a predetermined amount of active ingredient per dosage unit. Such a unit can comprise, for example, 0.5 mg to 1 g, preferably 1 mg to 700 mg, particularly preferably 5 mg to 100 mg, of a compound according to the invention, depending on the condition treated, the method of administration and the age, weight and condition of the patient, or pharmaceutical formulations can be administered in the form of dosage units which comprise a

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predetermined amount of active ingredient per dosage unit. Preferred dosage unit formulations are those which comprise a daily dose or part-dose, as indicated above, or a corresponding fraction thereof of an active ingredient. Furthermore, pharmaceutical formulations of this type can be prepared using a process which is generally known in the pharmaceutical art.

Pharmaceutical formulations can be adapted for administration via any desired suitable method, for example by oral (including buccal or sublingual), rectal, nasal, topical (including buccal, sublingual or transdermal), vaginal or parenteral (including subcutaneous, intramuscular, intravenous or intradermal) methods. Such formulations can be prepared using all processes known in the pharmaceutical art by, for example, combining the active ingredient with the excipient(s) or adjuvant(s).

Pharmaceutical formulations adapted for oral administration can be administered as separate units, such as, for example, capsules or tablets; powders or granules; solutions or suspensions in aqueous or non-aqueous liquids; edible foams or foam foods; or oil-in-water liquid emulsions or water-in-oil liquid emulsions.

Thus, for example, in the case of oral administration in the form of a tablet or capsule, the active-ingredient component can be combined with an oral, non-toxic and pharmaceutically acceptable inert excipient, such as, for example, ethanol, glycerol, water and the like. Powders are prepared by comminuting the compound to a suitable fine size and mixing it with a pharmaceutical excipient comminuted in a similar manner, such as, for example, an edible carbohydrate, such as, for example, starch or mannitol. A flavour, preservative, dispersant and dye may likewise be present.

Capsules are produced by preparing a powder mixture as described above and filling shaped gelatine shells therewith. Glidants and lubricants, such as, for example, highly disperse silicic acid, talc, magnesium stearate, calcium

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5 stearate or polyethylene glycol in solid form, can be added to the powder mixture before the filling operation. A disintegrant or solubiliser, such as, for example, agar-agar, calcium carbonate or sodium carbonate, may likewise be added in order to improve the availability of the medicament after the capsule has been taken.

10 In addition, if desired or necessary, suitable binders, lubricants and disintegrants as well as dyes can likewise be incorporated into the mixture. Suitable binders include starch, gelatine, natural sugars, such as, for example, glucose or beta-lactose, sweeteners made from maize, natural and synthetic rubber, such as, for example, acacia, tragacanth or sodium alginate, carboxymethylcellulose, polyethylene glycol, waxes, and the like. The
15 lubricants used in these dosage forms include sodium oleate, sodium stearate, magnesium stearate, sodium benzoate, sodium acetate, sodium chloride and the like. The disintegrants include, without being restricted thereto, starch, methylcellulose, agar, bentonite, xanthan gum and the like. The tablets are formulated by, for example, preparing a powder mixture, granulating or dry-
20 pressing the mixture, adding a lubricant and a disintegrant and pressing the entire mixture to give tablets. A powder mixture is prepared by mixing the compound comminuted in a suitable manner with a diluent or a base, as described above, and optionally with a binder, such as, for example,
25 carboxymethylcellulose, an alginate, gelatine or polyvinylpyrrolidone, a dissolution retardant, such as, for example, paraffin, an absorption accelerator, such as, for example, a quaternary salt, and/or an absorbant, such as, for example, bentonite, kaolin or dicalcium phosphate. The powder mixture
30 can be granulated by wetting it with a binder, such as, for example, syrup, starch paste, acacia mucilage or solutions of cellulose or polymer materials and pressing it through a sieve. As an alternative to granulation, the powder mixture can be run through a tableting machine, giving lumps of non-uniform shape, which are broken up to form granules. The granules can be lubricated
35 by addition of stearic acid, a stearate salt, talc or mineral oil in order to prevent sticking to the tablet casting moulds. The lubricated mixture is then pressed to

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5 give tablets. The compounds according to the invention can also be combined with a free-flowing inert excipient and then pressed directly to give tablets without carrying out the granulation or dry-pressing steps. A transparent or opaque protective layer consisting of a shellac sealing layer, a layer of sugar or polymer material and a gloss layer of wax may be present. Dyes can be added to these coatings in order to be able to differentiate between different dosage units.

10 Oral liquids, such as, for example, solution, syrups and elixirs, can be prepared in the form of dosage units so that a given quantity comprises a pre-specified amount of the compound. Syrups can be prepared by dissolving the compound in an aqueous solution with a suitable flavour, while elixirs are prepared using
15 a non-toxic alcoholic vehicle. Suspensions can be formulated by dispersion of the compound in a non-toxic vehicle. Solubilisers and emulsifiers, such as, for example, ethoxylated isostearyl alcohols and polyoxyethylene sorbitol ethers, preservatives, flavour additives, such as, for example, peppermint oil or natural
20 sweeteners or saccharin, or other artificial sweeteners and the like, can likewise be added.

The dosage unit formulations for oral administration can, if desired, be encapsulated in microcapsules. The formulation can also be prepared in such a
25 way that the release is extended or retarded, such as, for example, by coating or embedding of particulate material in polymers, wax and the like.

The compounds of the formula I and salts, solvates and physiologically
30 functional derivatives thereof can also be administered in the form of liposome delivery systems, such as, for example, small unilamellar vesicles, large unilamellar vesicles and multilamellar vesicles. Liposomes can be formed from various phospholipids, such as, for example, cholesterol, stearylamine or phosphatidylcholines.
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The compounds of the formula I and the salts, solvates and physiologically functional derivatives thereof can also be delivered using monoclonal antibodies as individual carriers to which the compound molecules are coupled. The compounds can also be coupled to soluble polymers as targeted
5 medicament carriers. Such polymers may encompass polyvinylpyrrolidone, pyran copolymer, polyhydroxypropylmethacrylamidophenol, polyhydroxy-ethylaspartamidophenol or polyethylene oxide polylysine, substituted by palmitoyl radicals. The compounds may furthermore be coupled to a class of
10 biodegradable polymers which are suitable for achieving controlled release of a medicament, for example polylactic acid, poly-epsilon-caprolactone, polyhydroxybutyric acid, polyorthoesters, polyacetals, polydihydroxypyrans, polycyanoacrylates and crosslinked or amphipathic block copolymers of
15 hydrogels.

Pharmaceutical formulations adapted for transdermal administration can be administered as independent plasters for extended, close contact with the
20 epidermis of the recipient. Thus, for example, the active ingredient can be delivered from the plaster by iontophoresis, as described in general terms in Pharmaceutical Research, 3(6), 318 (1986).

Pharmaceutical compounds adapted for topical administration can be formulated as ointments, creams, suspensions, lotions, powders, solutions,
25 pastes, gels, sprays, aerosols or oils.

For the treatment of the eye or other external tissue, for example mouth and
30 skin, the formulations are preferably applied as topical ointment or cream. In the case of formulation to give an ointment, the active ingredient can be employed either with a paraffinic or a water-miscible cream base. Alternatively, the active ingredient can be formulated to give a cream with an oil-in-water
35 cream base or a water-in-oil base.

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Pharmaceutical formulations adapted for topical application to the eye include eye drops, in which the active ingredient is dissolved or suspended in a suitable carrier, in particular an aqueous solvent.

5 Pharmaceutical formulations adapted for topical application in the mouth encompass lozenges, pastilles and mouthwashes.

10 Pharmaceutical formulations adapted for rectal administration can be administered in the form of suppositories or enemas.

15 Pharmaceutical formulations adapted for nasal administration in which the carrier substance is a solid comprise a coarse powder having a particle size, for example, in the range 20-500 microns, which is administered in the manner in which snuff is taken, i.e. by rapid inhalation via the nasal passages from a container containing the powder held close to the nose. Suitable formulations for administration as nasal spray or nose drops with a liquid as carrier substance encompass active-ingredient solutions in water or oil.

20 Pharmaceutical formulations adapted for administration by inhalation encompass finely particulate dusts or mists, which can be generated by various types of pressurised dispensers with aerosols, nebulisers or insufflators.

25 Pharmaceutical formulations adapted for vaginal administration can be administered as pessaries, tampons, creams, gels, pastes, foams or spray formulations.

30 Pharmaceutical formulations adapted for parenteral administration include aqueous and non-aqueous sterile injection solutions comprising antioxidants, buffers, bacteriostatics and solutes, by means of which the formulation is rendered isotonic with the blood of the recipient to be treated; and aqueous
35 and non-aqueous sterile suspensions, which may comprise suspension media and thickeners. The formulations can be administered in single-dose or

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multidose containers, for example sealed ampoules and vials, and stored in freeze-dried (lyophilised) state, so that only the addition of the sterile carrier liquid, for example water for injection purposes, immediately before use is necessary. Injection solutions and suspensions prepared in accordance with the recipe can be prepared from sterile powders, granules and tablets.

It goes without saying that, in addition to the above particularly mentioned constituents, the formulations may also comprise other agents usual in the art with respect to the particular type of formulation; thus, for example, formulations which are suitable for oral administration may comprise flavours.

A therapeutically effective amount of a compound of the formula I depends on a number of factors, including, for example, the age and weight of the animal, the precise condition that requires treatment, and its severity, the nature of the formulation and the method of administration, and is ultimately determined by the treating doctor or vet. However, an effective amount of a compound according to the invention is generally in the range from 0.1 to 100 mg/kg of body weight of the recipient (mammal) per day and particularly typically in the range from 1 to 10 mg/kg of body weight per day. Thus, the actual amount per day for an adult mammal weighing 70 kg is usually between 70 and 700 mg, where this amount can be administered as a single dose per day or usually in a series of part-doses (such as, for example, two, three, four, five or six) per day, so that the total daily dose is the same. An effective amount of a salt or solvate or of a physiologically functional derivative thereof can be determined as the fraction of the effective amount of the compound according to the invention *per se*. It can be assumed that similar doses are suitable for the treatment of other conditions mentioned above.

The disclosed compounds of the formula I can be administered in combination with other known therapeutic agents including agents for the treatment of RA (rheumatoid arthritis). As used here, the term "agents for the treatment of RA"

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relates to any agent which is administered to a patient with RA for the purposes of treating the RA.

The medicaments below are preferably, but not exclusively, combined with the compounds of the formula I:

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1. NSAIDs (non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs) and analgesics
2. Glucocorticoids (low oral doses)
3. Conventional disease-modifying antirheumatic drugs (DMARDs)

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- Methotrexate
- Leflunomide
- Sulfasalazine
- Hydroxychloroquine

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- Azathioprine
- Ciclosporin
- Minocycline
- Gold

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4. Biologic response modifiers (BRMs) --> target molecules/ immune cells involved in the inflammatory process, and include the following agents:

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- TNF inhibitors
 - etanercept (Enbrel)
 - infliximab (Remicade)
 - adalimumab (Humira)

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- B-cell-directed therapy
 - rituximab (Rituxan)
- T-cell/B-cell coactivation signal inhibitor
 - abatacept (Orencia)

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- IL-1 receptor antagonist
 - anakinra (Kineret)

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		MECHANISM OF ACTION
	Golimumab	Fully humanized monoclonal antibody to TNF
5	Certolizumab pegol	Anti -TNF agent with just the Fab portion attached to the polyethylene glycol
	Tocilizumab	Humanized monoclonal anti-IL-6 antibody that binds to the soluble and membrane-expresses IL-6 receptor
10	Ocrelizumab	Humanized-second generation anti-CD20 antibody that depletes B cells
	Ofatumumab	Human monoclonal anti-CD20 IgG1 antibody
15	Denosumab	Fully humanized monoclonal antibody that binds to and inhibits the receptor activator for nuclear factor-kB ligand
	TRU-015	New class of CD20-directed protein therapeutics
	Oral small molecules (JAK, Syk, MAP kinase inhibitors)	Cytoplasmic targets
20	Tolerogens (dnaJP1)	Immunotherapy based on T-cell tolerization

25 A combined treatment of this type can be achieved with the aid of simultaneous, consecutive or separate dispensing of the individual components of the treatment. Combination products of this type employ the compounds according to the invention.

30 The invention furthermore relates to medicaments comprising at least one compound of the formula I and/or pharmaceutically acceptable salts, solvates and stereoisomers thereof, including mixtures thereof in all ratios, and at least one further medicament active ingredient.

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The invention furthermore relates to a pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of formula I as defined herein, and a physiologically acceptable carrier, diluent, or excipient.

- 5 The invention also relates to a set (kit) consisting of separate packs of
- (a) an effective amount of a compound of the formula I and/or pharmaceutically acceptable salts, solvates and stereoisomers thereof, including mixtures thereof in all ratios,
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 - (b) an effective amount of a further medicament active ingredient.

The set comprises suitable containers, such as boxes, individual bottles, bags or ampoules. The set may, for example, comprise separate ampoules, each
15 containing an effective amount of a compound of the formula I and/or pharmaceutically acceptable salts, solvates and stereoisomers thereof, including mixtures thereof in all ratios,
and an effective amount of a further medicament active ingredient in dissolved
20 or lyophilised form.

"Treating" as used herein, means an alleviation, in whole or in part, of symptoms associated with a disorder or disease, or slowing, or halting of
25 further progression or worsening of those symptoms, or prevention or prophylaxis of the disease or disorder in a subject at risk for developing the disease or disorder.

The term "effective amount" in connection with a compound of formula (I) can mean an amount capable of alleviating, in whole or in part, symptoms associated with a disorder or disease, or slowing or halting further progression or worsening of those symptoms, or preventing or providing prophylaxis for the
30 disease or disorder in a subject having or at risk for developing a disease disclosed herein, such as inflammatory conditions, immunological conditions,
35 cancer, metabolic conditions or conditions treatable or preventable by

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inhibition of a kinase or a kinase pathway, in one embodiment, the Syk, FLT-3, JAK1 and/or JAK2 and /or JAK3 and/or BTK pathway. In one embodiment an effective amount of a compound of formula (I) is an amount that inhibits a kinase in a cell, such as, for example, in vitro or in vivo. In some embodiments, the effective amount of the compound of formula (I) inhibits the kinase in a cell by 10%, 20%, 30%, 40%, 50%, 60%, 70%, 80%, 90% or 99%, compared to the activity of the kinase in an untreated cell. The effective amount of the compound of formula (I), for example in a pharmaceutical composition, may be at a level that will exercise the desired effect; for example, about 0.005 mg/kg of a subject's body weight to about 10 mg/kg of a subject's body weight in unit dosage for both oral and parenteral administration.

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The present compounds are suitable as pharmaceutical active ingredients for mammals, especially for humans, in the treatment of tyrosine kinase-induced diseases.

The present invention encompasses the use of the compounds of the formula I and/or physiologically acceptable salts and solvates thereof for the preparation of a medicament for the treatment or prevention of rheumatoid arthritis, systemic lupus, asthma, allergic rhinitis, ITP, multiple sclerosis, leukemia, breast cancer and maligna melanoma.

Examples of inflammatory diseases include rheumatoid arthritis, psoriasis, contact dermatitis, delayed hypersensitivity reaction and the like.

Also encompassed is the use of the compounds of the formula I and/or physiologically acceptable salts and solvates thereof for the preparation of a medicament for the treatment or prevention of a tyrosine kinase-induced disease or a tyrosine kinase-induced condition in a mammal, in which to this method a therapeutically effective amount of a compound according to the invention is administered to a sick mammal in need of such treatment. The

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therapeutic amount varies according to the specific disease and can be determined by the person skilled in the art without undue effort.

5 The present invention also encompasses the use compounds of the formula I and/or physiologically acceptable salts and solvates thereof for the preparation of a medicament for the treatment or prevention of retinal vascularisation.

The expression "tyrosine kinase-induced diseases or conditions" refers to pathological conditions that depend on the activity of one or more tyrosine kinases. Tyrosine kinases either directly or indirectly participate in the signal transduction pathways of a variety of cellular activities, including proliferation, adhesion and migration and differentiation. Diseases associated with tyrosine kinase activity include proliferation of tumour cells, pathological neovascularisation that promotes the growth of solid tumours, ocular neovascularisation (diabetic retinopathy, age-induced macular degeneration and the like) and inflammation (psoriasis, rheumatoid arthritis and the like).

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The present invention specifically relates to compounds of the formula I and pharmaceutically acceptable salts, solvates, tautomers and stereoisomers thereof, including mixtures thereof in all ratios, for the use for the treatment of diseases in which the inhibition, regulation and/or modulation inhibition of Syk plays a role.

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25 The present invention specifically relates to compounds of the formula I and pharmaceutically acceptable salts, solvates, tautomers and stereoisomers thereof, including mixtures thereof in all ratios, for the use for the inhibition of Syk.

30 The present invention relates to a method of treating a proliferative, autoimmune, anti inflammatory or infectious disease disorder that comprises administering to a subject in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula I.

35 Preferably, the present invention relates to a method wherein the disease is a cancer.

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Particularly preferable, the present invention relates to a method wherein the disease is a cancer, wherein administration is simultaneous, sequential or in alternation with administration of at least one other active drug agent.

5 The disclosed compounds of the formula I can be administered in combination with other known therapeutic agents, including anticancer agents. As used here, the term "anticancer agent" relates to any agent which is administered to a patient with cancer for the purposes of treating the cancer.

10 The anti-cancer treatment defined herein may be applied as a sole therapy or may involve, in addition to the compound of the invention, conventional surgery or radiotherapy or chemotherapy. Such chemotherapy may include one or more of the following categories of anti- tumour agents:

15 (i) antiproliferative/antineoplastic/DNA-damaging agents and combinations thereof, as used in medical oncology, such as alkylating agents (for example cis-platin, carboplatin, cyclophosphamide, nitrogen mustard, melphalan, chloroambucil, busulphan and nitrosoureas); antimetabolites (for
20 example antifolates such as fluoropyrimidines like 5-fluorouracil and tegafur, raltitrexed, methotrexate, cytosine arabinoside, hydroxyurea and gemcitabine); antitumour antibiotics (for example anthracyclines, like adriamycin, bleomycin, doxorubicin, daunomycin, epirubicin, idarubicin, mitomycin-C, dactinomycin and mithramycin) ; antimitotic agents (for example vinca alkaloids, like
25 vincristine, vinblastine, vindesine and vinorelbine, and taxoids, like taxol and taxotere) ; topoisomerase inhibitors (for example epipodophyllotoxins, like etoposide and teniposide, amsacrine, topotecan, irinotecan and camptothecin) and cell-differentiating agents (for example all-trans-retinoic acid, 13-cis-
30 retinoic acid and fenretinide);
(ii) cytostatic agents, such as antioestrogens (for example tamoxifen, toremifene, raloxifene, droloxifene and idoxifene), oestrogen receptor downregulators (for example fulvestrant), antiandrogens (for example bi-
35 calutamide, flutamide, nilutamide and cyproterone acetate), LHRH antagonists or LHRH agonists (for example goserelin, leuprorelin and buserelin),

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progesterones (for example megestrol acetate), aromatase inhibitors (for example as anastrozole, letrozole, vorazole and exemestane) and inhibitors of 5 α -reductase, such as finasteride;

5 (iii) agents which inhibit cancer cell invasion (for example metallo-proteinase inhibitors, like marimastat, and inhibitors of urokinase plasminogen activator receptor function);

(iv) inhibitors of growth factor function, for example such inhibitors include growth factor antibodies, growth factor receptor antibodies (for example the anti-erb2 antibody trastuzumab [HerceptinTM] and the anti-erb3 antibody cetuximab [C225]), farnesyl transferase inhibitors, tyrosine kinase inhibitors and serine/threonine kinase inhibitors, for example inhibitors of the epidermal growth factor family (for example EGFR family tyrosine kinase inhibitors, such as N-(3-chloro-4-fluorophenyl)-7-methoxy-6-(3-morpholinopropoxy) quinazolin-4-amine (gefitinib, AZD1839), N-(3-ethynylphenyl)-6,7-bis (2-methoxyethoxy)quinazolin-4-amine (erlotinib, OSI-774) and 6-acrylamido-N-(3-chloro-4-fluorophenyl)-7-(3-morpholinopropoxy)quinazolin-4-amine (CI 1033)), for example inhibitors of the platelet-derived growth factor family and for

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(v) antiangiogenic agents, such as those which inhibit the effects of vascular endothelial growth factor, (for example the anti-vascular endothelial cell growth factor antibody bevacizumab [AvastinTM], compounds such as those disclosed in published international patent applications WO 97/22596, WO 97/30035, WO 97/32856 and WO 98/13354) and compounds that work by other mechanisms (for example linomide, inhibitors of integrin $\alpha v \beta 3$ function and angiostatin);

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(vi) vessel-damaging agents, such as combretastatin A4 and compounds disclosed in international patent applications WO 99/02166, WO 00/40529, WO 00/41669, WO 01/92224, WO 02/04434 and WO 02/08213;

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(vii) antisense therapies, for example those which are directed to the targets listed above, such as ISIS 2503, an anti-Ras antisense;

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(viii) gene therapy approaches, including, for example, approaches for replacement of aberrant genes, such as aberrant p53 or aberrant BRCA1 or BRCA2, GDEPT (gene-directed enzyme pro-drug therapy) approaches, such as those using cytosine deaminase, thymidine kinase or a bacterial nitroreductase enzyme, and approaches for increasing patient tolerance to chemotherapy or radiotherapy, such as multi-drug resistance gene therapy; and

(ix) immunotherapy approaches, including, for example, ex-vivo and in-vivo approaches for increasing the immunogenicity of patient tumour cells, such as transfection with cytokines, such as interleukin 2, interleukin 4 or granulocyte-macrophage colony stimulating factor, approaches for decreasing T-cell anergy, approaches using transfected immune cells, such as cytokine-transfected dendritic cells, approaches using cytokine-transfected tumour cell lines, and approaches using anti-idiotypic antibodies.

The medicaments from Table 1 below are preferably, but not exclusively, combined with the compounds of the formula I.

Table 1.		
Alkylating agents	Cyclophosphamide Busulfan Ifosfamide Melphalan Hexamethylmelamine Thiotepa chloroambucil Dacarbazine Carmustine	Lomustine Procarbazine Altretamine Estramustine phosphate Mechloroethamine Streptozocin Temozolomide Semustine
Platinum agents	Cisplatin Oxaliplatin Spiroplatin Carboxyphthalatoplatinum Tetraplatin Ormiplatin Iproplatin	Carboplatin ZD-0473 (AnorMED) Lobaplatin (Aetema) Satraplatin (Johnson Matthey) BBR-3464 (Hoffmann-La Roche) SM-11355 (Sumitomo) AP-5280 (Access)

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5	Antimetabolites	Azacytidine Gemcitabine Capecitabine 5-fluorouracil Floxuridine 2-chlorodesoxyadenosine 6-Mercaptopurine 6-Thioguanine Cytarabine 2-fluorodesoxycytidine Methotrexate Idatrexate	Tomudex Trimetrexate Deoxycoformycin Fludarabine Pentostatin Raltitrexed Hydroxyurea Decitabine (SuperGen) Clofarabine (Bioenvision) Irofulven (MGI Pharrna) DMDC (Hoffmann-La Roche) Ethynylcytidine (Taiho)
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15	Topoisomerase inhibitors	Amsacrine Epirubicin Etoposide Teniposide or mitoxantrone Irinotecan (CPT-11) 7-ethyl-10-hydroxycamptothecin Topotecan Dexrazoxanet (TopoTarget) Pixantrone (Novuspharrna) Rebeccamycin analogue (Exelixis) BBR-3576 (Novuspharrna)	Rubitecan (SuperGen) Exatecan mesylate (Daiichi) Quinamed (ChemGenex) Gimatecan (Sigma- Tau) Diflomotecan (Beaufour-lpsen) TAS-103 (Taiho) Elsamitrucin (Spectrum) J-107088 (Merck & Co) BNP-1350 (BioNumerik) CKD-602 (Chong Kun Dang) KW-2170 (Kyowa Hakko)
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25	Antitumour antibiotics	Dactinomycin (Actinomycin D) Doxorubicin (Adriamycin) Deoxyrubicin Valrubicin Daunorubicin (Daunomycin) Epirubicin Therarubicin Idarubicin Rubidazon Plicamycinp Porfiromycin Cyanomorpholinodoxo-rubicin Mitoxantron (Novantron)	Amonafide Azonafide Anthrapyrazole Oxantrazole Losoxantrone Bleomycin sulfate (Blenoxan) Bleomycinic acid Bleomycin A Bleomycin B Mitomycin C MEN-10755 (Menarini) GPX-100 (Gem Pharmaceuticals)
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5	Antimitotic agents	Paclitaxel	SB 408075
		Docetaxel	(GlaxoSmithKline)
10		Colchicine	E7010 (Abbott)
		Vinblastine	PG-TXL (Cell Therapeutics)
15		Vincristine	IDN 5109 (Bayer)
		Vinorelbine	A 105972 (Abbott)
20		Vindesine	A 204197 (Abbott)
		Dolastatin 10 (NCI)	LU 223651 (BASF)
		Rhizoxin (Fujisawa)	D 24851 (ASTA Medica)
		Mivobulin (Warner-Lambert)	ER-86526 (Eisai)
		Cemadotin (BASF)	Combretastatin A4 (BMS)
		RPR 109881A (Aventis)	Isohomohalichondrin-B (PharmaMar)
		TXD 258 (Aventis)	ZD 6126 (AstraZeneca)
		Epothilone B (Novartis)	PEG-Paclitaxel (Enzon)
		T 900607 (Tularik)	AZ10992 (Asahi)
		T 138067 (Tularik)	IDN-5109 (Indena)
		Cryptophycin 52 (Eli Lilly)	AVLB (Prescient NeuroPharma)
		Vinflunine (Fabre)	Azaepothilon B (BMS)
		Auristatin PE (Teikoku Hormone)	BNP- 7787 (BioNumerik)
		BMS 247550 (BMS)	CA-4-prodrug (OXiGENE)
		BMS 184476 (BMS)	Dolastatin-10 (NrH)
		BMS 188797 (BMS)	CA-4 (OXiGENE)
25	Aromatase inhibitors	Taxoprexin (Protarga)	
		Aminoglutethimide	Exemestan
		Letrozole	Atamestan (BioMedicines)
		Anastrozole	YM-511 (Yamanouchi)
		Formestan	
25	Thymidylate synthase inhibitors	Pemetrexed (Eli Lilly)	Nolatrexed (Eximias)
		ZD-9331 (BTG)	CoFactor™ (BioKeys)
30	DNA antagonists		
		Trabectedin (PharmaMar)	Mafosfamide (Baxter International)
		Glufosfamide (Baxter International)	Apaziquone (Spectrum Pharmaceuticals)
		Albumin + 32P (Isotope Solutions)	O6-benzylguanine (Paligent)
		Thymectacin (NewBiotics)	
		Edotreotid (Novartis)	

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5	Farnesyl transferase inhibitors	Arglabin (NuOncology Labs) lonafarnib (Schering-Plough) BAY-43-9006 (Bayer)	Tipifarnib (Johnson & Johnson) Perillyl alcohol (DOR BioPharma)
	Pump inhibitors	CBT-1 (CBA Pharma) Tariquidar (Xenova) MS-209 (Schering AG)	Zosuquidar trihydrochloride (Eli Lilly) Biricodar dicitrate (Vertex)
10	Histone acetyl transferase inhibitors	Tacedinaline (Pfizer) SAHA (Aton Pharma) MS-275 (Schering AG)	Pivaloyloxymethyl butyrate (Titan) Depsipeptide (Fujisawa)
	Metalloproteinase inhibitors Ribonucleoside reductase inhibitors	Neovastat (Aeterna Laboratories) Marimastat (British Biotech) Gallium maltolate (Titan) Triapin (Vion)	CMT -3 (CollaGenex) BMS-275291 (Celltech) Tezacitabine (Aventis) Didox (Molecules for Health)
15	TNF-alpha agonists/antagonists	Virulizin (Lorus Therapeutics) CDC-394 (Celgene)	Revimid (Celgene)
	Endothelin-A receptor antagonists	Atrasentan (Abbot) ZD-4054 (AstraZeneca)	YM-598 (Yamanouchi)
20	Retinoic acid receptor agonists	Fenretinide (Johnson & Johnson) LGD-1550 (Ligand)	Alitretinoin (Ligand)
	Immunomodulators	Interferon Oncophage (Antigenics) GMK (Progenics) Adenocarcinoma vaccine (Biomira) CTP-37 (AVI BioPharma) JRX-2 (Immuno-Rx) PEP-005 (Peplin Biotech) Synchrovax vaccines (CTL Immuno) Melanoma vaccine (CTL Immuno) p21-RAS vaccine (Gem-Vax)	Dexosome therapy (Anosys) Pentrix (Australian Cancer Technology) JSF-154 (Tragen) Cancer vaccine (Intercell) Norelin (Biostar) BLP-25 (Biomira) MGV (Progenics) !3-Alethin (Dovetail) CLL-Thera (Vasogen)
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5	Hormonal and antihormonal agents	Oestrogens Conjugated oestrogens Ethynyloestradiol chlorotrianisene Idenestrol Hydroxyprogesterone caproate Medroxyprogesterone Testosterone Testosterone propionate Fluoxymesterone Methyltestosterone Diethylstilbestrol Megestrol Tamoxifen Toremofin Dexamethasone	Prednisone Methylprednisolone Prednisolone Aminoglutethimide Leuprolide Goserelin Leuporelin Bicalutamide Flutamide Octreotide Nilutamide Mitotan P-04 (Novogen) 2-Methoxyoestradiol (EntreMed) Arzoxifen (Eli Lilly)
15	Photodynamic agents	Talaporfin (Light Sciences) Theralux (Theratechnologies) Motexafin-Gadolinium (Pharmacyclics)	Pd-Bacteriopheophorbid (Yeda) Lutetium-Texaphyrin (Pharmacyclics) Hypericin
20	Tyrosine kinase inhibitors	Imatinib (Novartis) Leflunomide (Sugen/Pharmacia) ZD1839 (AstraZeneca) Erlotinib (Oncogene Science) Canertinib (Pfizer) Squalamine (Genaera) SU5416 (Pharmacia) SU6668 (Pharmacia) ZD4190 (AstraZeneca) ZD6474 (AstraZeneca) Vatalanib (Novartis) PKI166 (Novartis) GW2016 (GlaxoSmith-Kline) EKB-509 (Wyeth) EKB-569 (Wyeth)	Kahalide F (PharmaMar) CEP-701 (Cephalon) CEP-751 (Cephalon) MLN518 (Millenium) PKC412 (Novartis) Phenoxodiol O Trastuzumab (Genentech) C225 (ImClone) rhu-Mab (Genentech) MDX-H210 (Medarex) 2C4 (Genentech) MDX-447 (Medarex) ABX-EGF (Abgenix) IMC-1C11 (ImClone)
35	Various agents	SR-27897 (CCK-A inhibitor, Sanofi-Synthelabo) Tocladesine (cyclic AMP agonist, Ribapharm) Alvocidib (CDK inhibitor,	BCX-1777 (PNP inhibitor, BioCryst) Ranpirnase (ribonuclease stimulant, Alfacell) Galarubicin (RNA synthe-

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5	Aventis) CV-247 (COX-2 inhibitor, Ivy Medical) P54 (COX-2 inhibitor, Phytopharm) CapCell™ (CYP450 stimulant, Bavarian Nordic) GCS-100 (gal3 antagonist, GlycoGenesys) G17DT immunogen (gas- trin inhibitor, Aphton) Efaproxiral (oxygenator, Allos Therapeutics) PI-88 (heparanase inhibi- tor, Progen) Tesmiflifen (histamine an- tagonist, YM BioSciences) Histamine (histamine H2 receptor agonist, Maxim) Tiazofurin (IMPDH inhibi- tor, Ribapharm) Cilengitide (integrin an- tagonist, Merck KGaA) SR-31747 (IL-1 antagonist, Sanofi-Synthelabo) CCI-779 (mTOR kinase inhibitor, Wyeth) Exisulind (PDE-V inhibitor, Cell Pathways) CP-461 (PDE-V inhibitor, Cell Pathways) AG-2037 (GART inhibitor, Pfizer) WX-UK1 (plasminogen activator inhibitor, Willex) PBI-1402 (PMN stimulant, ProMetic LifeSciences) Bortezomib (proteasome inhibitor, Millennium) SRL-172 (T-cell stimulant, SR Pharma) TLK-286 (glutathione-S transferase inhibitor, Telik) PT-100 (growth factor agonist, Point Therapeu- tics) Midostaurin (PKC inhibitor,	sis inhibitor, Dong-A) Tirapazamine (reducing agent, SRI International) N-Acetylcysteine (reducing agent, Zambon) R-Flurbiprofen (NF-kappaB inhibitor, Encore) 3CPA (NF-kappaB inhibitor, Active Biotech) Seocalcitol (vitamin D receptor agonist, Leo) 131-I-TM-601 (DNA antagonist, TransMolecular) Eflornithin (ODC inhibitor, ILEX Oncology) Minodronic acid (osteoclast inhibitor, Yamanouchi) Indisulam (p53 stimulant, Eisai) Aplidin (PPT inhibitor, PharmaMar) Rituximab (CD20 antibody, Genentech) Gemtuzumab (CD33 antibody, Wyeth Ayerst) PG2 (haematopoiesis promoter, Pharmagenesis) ImmunoI™ (triclosan mouthwash, Endo) Triacetyluridine (uridine prodrug, Wellstat) SN-4071 (sarcoma agent, Signature BioScience) TransMID-107™ (immunotoxin, KS Biomedix) PCK-3145 (apoptosis promoter, Procyon) Doranidazole (apoptosis promoter, Pola) CHS-828 (cytotoxic agent, Leo) Trans-retinic acid (differentiator, NIH) MX6 (apoptosis promoter,
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5		Novartis) Bryostatins-1 (PKC stimu- lant, GPC Biotech) CDA-II (apoptosis pro- moter, Everlife) SDX-101 (apoptosis pro- moter, Salmedix) Ceflatonin (apoptosis pro- moter, ChemGenex)	MAXIA) Apomine (apoptosis promoter, ILEX Oncology) Urocidin (apoptosis promoter, Bioniche) Ro-31-7453 (apoptosis promoter, La Roche) Brostallicin (apoptosis promoter, Pharmacia)
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10 The present invention specifically relates to compounds of the formula I and
pharmaceutically acceptable salts, solvates, tautomers and stereoisomers
thereof, including mixtures thereof in all ratios, for the use for the treatment of
rheumatoid arthritis, systemic lupus, asthma, allergic rhinitis, ITP, multiple
15 sclerosis, leukemia, breast cancer, maligna melanoma.

The present invention specifically relates to methods for treating or preventing an
inflammatory condition, immunological condition, autoimmune condition, allergic
20 condition, rheumatic condition, thrombotic condition, cancer, infection,
neurodegenerative disease, neuroinflammatory disease, cardiovascular disease
or metabolic condition, comprising administering to a subject in need thereof an
effective amount of a compound of formula I or a pharmaceutically acceptable
salt, tautomer, stereoisomer or solvate thereof.

25 In another aspect provided herein are methods of inhibiting a kinase in a cell
expressing said kinase, comprising contacting said cell with an effective amount of
a compound of formula I or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, tautomer,
stereoisomer or solvate thereof. In one embodiment the kinase is Syk, FLT3,
30 JAK1 or JAK2 or JAK3 or BTK, or mutants or isoforms thereof, or combinations of
two or more thereof.

Representative immunological conditions that compounds of formula I are
35 useful for treating or preventing include, but are not limited to, Behcet's
syndrome, non-allergy mast cell diseases (e.g., mastocytosis and treatment of

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anaphylaxis), ankylosing spondylitis, osteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis (RA), multiple sclerosis, lupus, inflammatory bowel disease, ulcerative colitis, Crohn's disease, myasthenia gravis, Grave's disease, transplant rejection, humoral transplant rejection, non-humoral transplant rejection, cellular
5 transplant rejection, immune thrombocytopenic purpura (ITP), idiopathic thrombocytopenic purpura, diabetes, immunological response to bacterial, parasitic, helminth infestation or viral infection, eczema, dermatitis, graft versus host disease, Goodpasture's disease, hemolytic disease of the newborn,
10 autoimmune hemolytic anemia, anti-phospholipid syndrome, ANCA-associated vasculitis, Churg-Strauss syndrome, Wegeners granulomatosis, pemphigus vulgaris, serum sickness, mixed cryoglobulinemia, peripheral neuropathy associated with IgM antibody, microscopic polyangiitis, Hashimoto's thyroiditis,
15 Sjogrens syndrome, fibrosing conditions (such as those dependent on the innate or adaptive immune systems or local mesenchyma cells) or primary biliary cirrhosis.

Representative autoimmune conditions that compounds of formula I are useful for
20 treating or preventing include, but are not limited to, autoimmune hemolytic anemia (A1HA), Behcet's syndrome, Crohn's disease, type I diabetes, Goodpasture's disease, Grave's disease, Hashimoto's thyroiditis, idiopathic thrombocytopenic purpura, lupus, multiple sclerosis, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis,
25 myasthenia gravis, pemphigus vulgaris, primary biliary cirrhosis, rheumatoid arthritis, scleroderma, Sjogren's syndrome, ulcerative colitis, or Wegeners granulomatosis.

Representative allergic conditions that compounds of formula I are useful for
30 treating or preventing include, but are not limited to, anaphylaxis, hay fever, allergic conjunctivitis, allergic rhinitis, allergic asthma, atopic dermatitis, eczema, urticaria, mucosal disorders, tissue disorders and certain gastrointestinal disorders.

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Representative rheumatic conditions that compounds of formula I are useful for treating or preventing include, but are not limited to, rheumatoid arthritis, gout, ankylosing spondylitis, or osteoarthritis.

- 5 Representative inflammatory conditions that compounds of formula I are useful for treating or preventing include, but are not limited to, non-ANCA (anti-neutrophil cytoplasmic autoantibody) vasculitis (e.g., wherein Syk function is associated with neutrophil adhesion, diapedesis and/or activation), psoriasis, asthma, allergic
- 10 rhinitis, allergic conjunctivitis, chronic urticaria, hives, anaphylaxis, bronchitis, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, cystic fibrosis, inflammatory bowel disease, irritable bowel syndrome, gout, Crohn's disease, mucous colitis, ulcerative colitis, allergy to intestinal antigens (such as gluten enteropathy), diabetes (e.g., Type I diabetes and Type II diabetes) and obesity. In some
- 15 embodiments, the inflammatory condition is a dermatologic condition, such as, for example, psoriasis, urticaria, hives, eczema, scleroderma, or dermatitis. In other embodiments, the inflammatory condition is an inflammatory pulmonary condition, such as, for example, asthma, bronchitis, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
- 20 (COPD), or adult/acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS). In other embodiments, the inflammatory condition is a gastrointestinal condition, such as, for example, inflammatory bowel disease, ulcerative colitis, Crohn's disease, idiopathic inflammatory bowel disease, irritable bowel syndrome, or spastic colon.
- 25 Representative infections that compounds of formula I are useful for treating or preventing include, but are not limited to, bacterial, parasitic, prion, viral infections or helminth infestation.

- 30 Representative cancers that compounds of formula I are useful for treating or preventing include, but are not limited to, cancer of the head, neck, eye, mouth, throat, esophagus, bronchus, larynx, pharynx, chest, bone, lung, colon, rectum, stomach, prostate, urinary bladder, uterine, cervix, breast, ovaries, testicles or other reproductive organs, skin, thyroid, blood, lymph nodes, kidney, liver,
- 35 pancreas, brain, central nervous system, solid tumors and blood-borne tumors.

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Representative cardiovascular diseases that compounds of formula I are useful for treating or preventing include, but are not limited to, restenosis, atherosclerosis and its consequences such as stroke, myocardial infarction, ischemic damage to the heart, lung, gut, kidney, liver, pancreas, spleen or brain.

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Representative metabolic conditions that compounds of formula I are useful for treating or preventing include, but are not limited to, obesity and diabetes (e.g., Type I and II diabetes). In a particular embodiment, provided herein are methods for the treatment or prevention of insulin resistance. In certain embodiments, provided herein are methods for the treatment or prevention of insulin resistance that leads to diabetes (e.g., Type II diabetes). In another embodiment, provided herein are methods for the treatment or prevention of syndrome X or metabolic syndrome. In another embodiment, provided herein are methods for the treatment or prevention of Type II diabetes, Type I diabetes, slow-onset Type I diabetes, diabetes insipidus (e.g., neurogenic diabetes insipidus, nephrogenic diabetes insipidus, dipsogenic diabetes insipidus, or gestagenic diabetes insipidus), diabetes mellitus, gestational diabetes mellitus, polycystic ovarian syndrome, maturity-onset diabetes, juvenile diabetes, insulin-dependant diabetes, non-insulin dependant diabetes, malnutrition-related diabetes, ketosis-prone diabetes, pre-diabetes (e.g., impaired glucose metabolism), cystic fibrosis related diabetes, hemochromatosis and ketosis-resistant diabetes.

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Representative neurodegenerative and neuroinflammatory diseases that compounds of formula I are useful for treating or preventing include, but are not limited to, Huntington's disease, Alzheimer's disease, viral (e.g., HIV) or bacterial-associated encephalitis and damage.

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In another embodiment, provided herein are methods for the treatment or prevention of fibrotic diseases and disorders. In a particular embodiment, provided herein are methods for the treatment or prevention of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis, myelofibrosis, hepatic fibrosis, steatofibrosis and steatohepatitis.

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In another embodiment, provided herein are methods for the treatment or prevention of diseases associated with thrombotic events such as but not limited to atherosclerosis, myocardial infarction and ischemic stroke.

5 The present invention specifically relates to compounds of the formula I and pharmaceutically acceptable salts, solvates, tautomers and stereoisomers thereof, including mixtures thereof in all ratios, for the use for the treatment and/or prevention of inflammatory conditions, immunological conditions,
10 autoimmune conditions, allergic conditions, rheumatic conditions, thrombotic conditions, cancer, infections, neurodegenerative diseases, neuroinflammatory diseases, cardiovascular diseases, and metabolic conditions, the methods comprising administering to a subject in need thereof an effective amount of a compound of formula I as defined herein.

15 Moreover, the present invention specifically relates to compounds for the use for the treatment and/or prevention of cancer, where the cancer to be treated is a solid tumour or a tumour of the blood and immune system.
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Moreover, the present invention specifically relates to compounds, for the use for the treatment and/or prevention of cancer, where the where the tumour originates from the group of acute myeloid leukaemia, chronic myeloid
25 leukaemia, acute lymphatic leukaemia and/or chronic lymphatic leukaemia.

Moreover, the present invention specifically relates to compounds, for the use for the treatment and/or prevention of cancer, where the solid tumour
30 originates from the group of tumours of the epithelium, the bladder, the stomach, the kidneys, of head and neck, the esophagus, the cervix, the thyroid, the intestine, the liver, the brain, the prostate, the uro-genital tract, the lymphatic system, the stomach, the larynx, the bones, including
35 chondrosarcoma and Ewing sarcoma, germ cells, including embryonal tissue tumours, and/or the lung, from the group of monocytic leukaemia, lung

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adenocarcinoma, small-cell lung carcinomas, pancreatic cancer, glioblastomas, neurofibroma, angiosarcoma, breast carcinoma and /or malignant melanoma.

5 Moreover, the present invention specifically relates to for the use for the treatment and/or prevention of diseases selected from the group
rheumatoid arthritis, systemic lupus, asthma, multiple sclerosis, osteoarthritis,
10 ischemic injury, giant cell arteritis, inflammatory bowel disease, diabetes, cystic fibrosis, psoriasis, Sjögren's syndrome and transplant organ rejection.

Moreover, the present invention specifically relates to compounds for the use for the treatment and/or prevention of diseases selected from the group
15 Alzheimer's disease, Down's syndrome, hereditary cerebral hemorrhage with amyloidosis-Dutch Type, cerebral amyloid angiopathy, Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease, frontotemporal dementias, Huntington's disease, Parkinson's disease.

20 Moreover, the present invention specifically relates to compounds for the use for the treatment and/or prevention of diseases selected from the group leishmania, mycobacteria, including *M. leprae*, *M. tuberculosis* and/or *M. avium*, leishmania, plasmodium, human immunodeficiency virus, Epstein Barr virus, Herpes simplex virus, hepatitis C virus.

25 The following abbreviations refer respectively to the definitions below:
aq (aqueous), h (hour), g (gram), L (liter), mg (milligram), MHz (Megahertz), min. (minute), mm (millimeter), mmol (millimole), mM (millimolar), m.p. (melting point),
30 eq (equivalent), mL (milliliter), μ L (microliter), ACN (acetonitrile), AcOH (acetic acid), CDCl_3 (deuterated chloroform), CD_3OD (deuterated methanol), CH_3CN (acetonitrile), c-hex (cyclohexane), DCC (dicyclohexyl carbodiimide), DCM (dichloromethane), DIC (diisopropyl carbodiimide), DIEA (diisopropylethyl-amine), DMF (dimethylformamide), DMSO (dimethylsulfoxide), DMSO- d_6 (deuterated
35 dimethylsulfoxide), EDC (1-(3-dimethyl-amino-propyl)-3-ethylcarbodiimide), ESI (Electro-spray ionization), EtOAc (ethyl acetate), Et_2O (diethyl ether), EtOH

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(ethanol), HATU (dimethylamino-([1,2,3]triazolo[4,5-b]pyridin-3-yloxy)-methylene]-dimethyl-ammonium hexafluorophosphate), HPLC (High Performance Liquid Chromatography), i-PrOH (2-propanol), K₂CO₃ (potassium carbonate), LC (Liquid Chromatography), MeOH (methanol), MgSO₄ (magnesium sulfate), MS (mass spectrometry), MTBE (Methyl tert-butyl ether), NaHCO₃ (sodium bicarbonate), NaBH₄ (sodium borohydride), NMM (N-methyl morpholine), NMR (Nuclear Magnetic Resonance), PyBOP (benzotriazole-1-yl-oxy-tris-pyrrolidino-phosphonium hexafluorophosphate), RT (room temperature), Rt (retention time), SPE (solid phase extraction), TBTU (2-(1-H-benzotriazole-1-yl)-1,1,3,3-tetramethyluromium tetrafluoro borate), TEA (triethylamine), TFA (trifluoroacetic acid), THF (tetrahydrofuran), TLC (Thin Layer Chromatography), UV (Ultraviolet).

Description of the in vitro assays

SYK flash plate assay

The kinase assay is performed either as 384-well Flashplate assay (for e.g. Topcount measurement) or as 384-well Image-Flashplate assay (for LEADseeker measurement).

2.5 nM SYK, 400 nM Biotin-Aha-Aha-KEDPDYEWPSAKK and 10 µM ATP (spiked with 0.3 µCi 33P-ATP/well) are incubated in a total volume of 50 µl (60 mM Hepes, 10 mM MgCl₂, 1.2 mM Dithiothreitol, 0.02 % Brij35, 0.1 % BSA , pH 7.5) with or without test compound for 1 hours at 30°C.

The reaction is stopped with 25µl 200 mM EDTA. After 30 Min at 30 °C the liquid is removed and each well washed thrice with 100 µl 0.9% sodium chloride solution. Non-specific reaction is determined in presence of 0.1 µM Staurosporine.

Radioactivity is measured with Topcount (when using Flashplates) or with LEADseeker (when using Image-Flashplates) respectively. Results (e.g. IC₅₀-values) are calculated with program tools provided by the IT-department (e.g. Symyx Assay Explorer, Genedata Screener).

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In vivo AssaysCIA

5 For induction of collagen-induced arthritis (CIA) male DBA/1 mice are injected with 500 µl pristane i.p. on day -21. On day 0 mice are immunized with 100 µg chicken collagen type II (CII) in Complete Freund's Adjuvant (CFA) intradermally, distributed over pinnae and one site on the back on day 0. On day 21, mice will receive an i.p. booster immunization (100 µg) with soluble CII in PBS. Dosing of Syk inhibitor will be prophylactic: starting day 0 and continued until day 10 and before boost starting on day 20 and continued until day 30. Compounds will be administered orally twice a day at doses of 3, 10 and 30 mg/kg.

10 Body weight and clinical score will be recorded on a daily basis. Arthritis severity is graded using a clinical scoring system based on the assessment of inflammation in individual paws. The scale for this clinical score ranges from 0-4 for each individual paw.

GIA

20 For induction of Glucose-6-phosphate isomerase-induced arthritis (GIA) female DBA/1 mice are immunized with 100 µg G6PI in Complete Freund's Adjuvant (CFA) intradermally, distributed over pinnae and one site on the back on day 0. Dosing of Syk inhibitor will be prophylactic starting day 0 and continued until day 14. Compounds will be administered orally twice a day at doses of 3, 10 and 30 mg/kg.

25 Body weight and clinical score will be recorded on a daily basis. Arthritis severity is graded using a clinical scoring system based on the assessment of inflammation in individual paws. The scale for this clinical score ranges from 0-4 for each individual paw.

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Above and below, all temperatures are indicated in °C. In the following examples, "conventional work-up" means: water is added if necessary, the pH is adjusted, if necessary, to values between 2 and 10, depending on the constitution of the end product, the mixture is extracted with ethyl acetate or

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dichloromethane, the phases are separated, the organic phase is dried over sodium sulfate and evaporated, and the residue is purified by chromatography on silica gel and/or by crystallisation. Rf values on silica gel; eluent: ethyl acetate/methanol 9:1.

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Mass spectrometry (MS): EI (electron impact ionisation) M^+
 FAB (fast atom bombardment) $(M+H)^+$
 ESI (electrospray ionisation) $(M+H)^+$

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APCI-MS (atmospheric pressure chemical ionisation - mass spectrometry) $(M+H)^+$.

Mass spectrometry (MS): EI (electron impact ionisation) M^+
 FAB (fast atom bombardment) $(M+H)^+$
 ESI (electrospray ionisation) $(M+H)^+$

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m.p. = melting point

LCMS method:

Column: ZORBAXTM SB-C8 30*4.6mm,3.5um

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Mobile Phase A: Water +0.03%TFA

Mobile Phase B: ACN +0.05%TFA

Gradient: 5-95%B in 2.5 minutes

Flow: 2.0 mL/min

Wavelength : UV1:220nm, UV2:254nm

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Mass Scan: 100-900 Da

GCN2: Assay principle & conditions

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This assay can quantificate the activity of the serin kinase GCN2 (general control non-derepressible-2).

This kinase is involved in the stress metabolism of cells. It is activated upon starvation (amino acid depletion). Its natural substrate is eIF2a (eukaryotic initiation factor 2 alpha subunit), a translation factor, which gets activated

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(phosphorylated) by GCN2 in case of an amino acid bottleneck in the cells.

This in turn leads to a halt of the protein synthesis. Inhibition of GCN2 results

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in stopping this mechanism: The cell can not stop protein production upon "starvation" stress.

5 The assay is run in two steps: the enzymatic reaction and the detection step. In the first step GCN2 is incubated with 10 μ M ATP and 80 nM of the GFP-labelled substrate eIF2alpha at room temperature.

The enzymatic reaction is stopped by addition of EDTA. The amount of phosphorylated eIF2alpha is determined by TR-FRET (Lanthascreen): A
10 complex is formed consisting of antibody and GFP labelled phospho-eIF2a, which allows a FRET upon excitation at 340 nm.

The GCN2-activity is directly proportional to the ratio of fluorescence units at the emission wavelength 520 nm (phosphopeptide-sensitive wavelength =
15 emission of GFP) to the units at 495 nm (reference wavelength = emission of Terbium-chelate).

Final concentrations in the enzymatic reaction

	Hepes, pH 7.0	50 mM
20	MgCl ₂	10 mM
	MnCl ₂	5 mM
	BSA	0.1%
	DMSO	1%
25	ATP	10 μ M
	DTT	2 mM
	GFP-eIF2a	80 nM (substrate)
	GCN2	30 nM (enzyme)

30 **Assay procedure**

	4 μ L	enzyme solution (in assay buffer)
	1.5 μ L	compound (in compd dilution buffer/6.3% DMSO)
	Incubation	20 min at RT
35	4 μ L	substrate /ATP mix (in assay buffer)
	Incubation	90 min at RT

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10 uL stop/**detection** mix (in antibody dilution buffer)

Incubation 60 min at RT

Readout Lanthascreen 340/495/520

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Standard description of analytical equipment

¹H NMR was recorded on a Joel 400 MHz spectrometer, using residual signal of deuterated solvent as internal reference. Chemical shifts (δ) are reported in ppm relative to the residual solvent signal ($\delta = 2.49$ ppm for ¹H NMR in DMSO-d₆). ¹H NMR data are reported as follows: chemical shift (multiplicity, coupling constants, and number of hydrogens). Multiplicity is abbreviated as follows: s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet), m (multiplet), br (broad).

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LCMS method:

Column: Xbridge C8, 4.6 x 50 mm 5 μ m

Mobile Phase A: Water + 0.1%TFA

Mobile Phase B: ACN +0.1 % TFA

Gradient: 5-95 % B in 3.5 minutes

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Flow: 0.8 mL/min

Wavelength: 254 nm

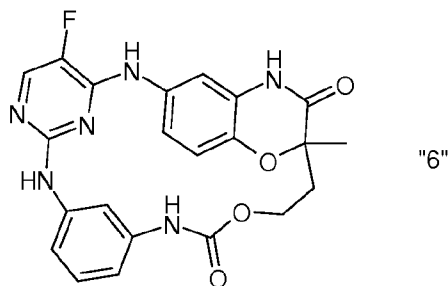
Mass Scan: 100-900 Da

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Example 1

The preparation of

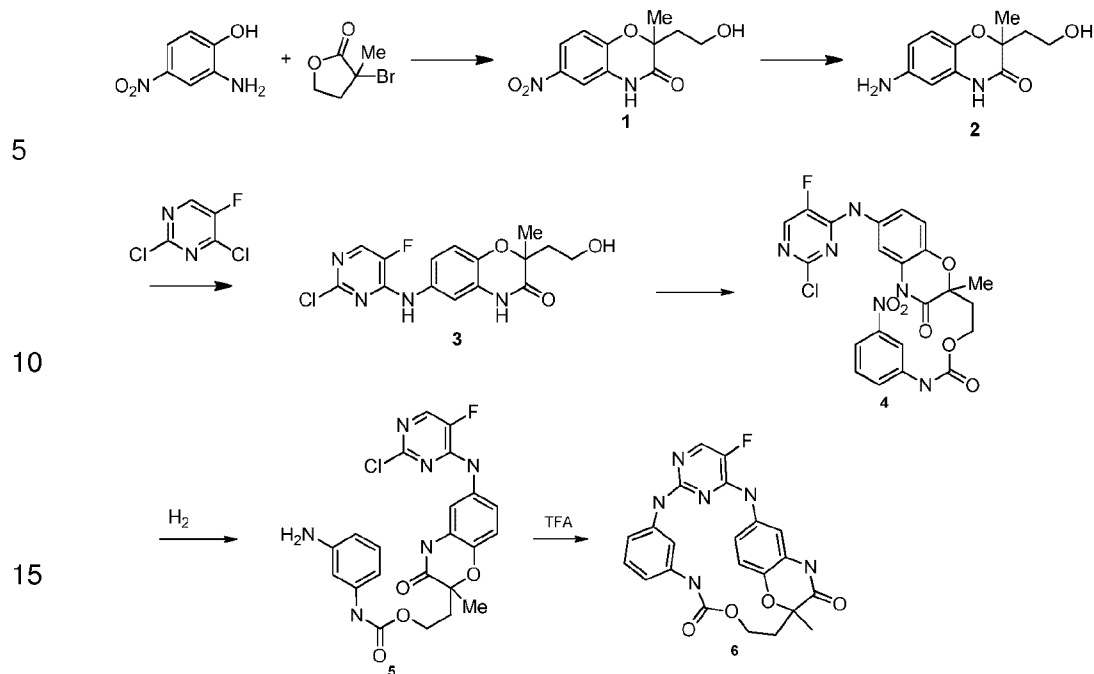
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is carried out analogously to the following scheme:

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1.1 Preparation of 2-(2-hydroxyethyl)-2-methyl-6-nitro-2H-1,4-benzoxazin-3(4H)-one (1)

To a solution of 2-amino-4-nitrophenol (1.00 g; 6.49 mmol; 1.00 eq.) in benzene (5.00 ml) at 0°C (ice bath) is added trimethylaluminum (3.57 ml; 7.14 mmol; 1.10 eq.; 2.00 M in hexanes). The reaction mixture is stirred for 45 minutes, then a solution of 3-bromo-3-methyldihydrofuran-2(3H)-one (0.73 ml; 6.49 mmol; 1.00 eq.) in dichloromethane (5.00 ml) is added and the resultant solution allowed to warm to room temperature. Upon warming the reaction flask is heated to 65°C for 15 hours then cooled again to 0°C via ice bath.

To the chilled flask, is added 1N HCl (aq) slowly to quench the reaction, which is stirred for an additional 30 minutes. The reaction mixture is extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic fractions are dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered and concentrated. The residue is then dissolved in ACN then heated to reflux overnight with potassium carbonate (0.37 ml; 6.49 mmol; 1.00

eq.), which, upon filtering through a celiteTM plug and purified through flash chromatography yielded 2-(2-hydroxyethyl)-2-methyl-6-nitro-2H-1,4-benzoxazin-3(4H)-one (0.98g, 60.1%). Jeol ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 7.95, 7.86, 7.86, 7.84, 7.84, 7.73, 7.73, 7.16, 7.14, 3.17, 3.16, 2.89, 2.73, 1.47. LCMS: rt 2.35; m/z 252.96.

1.2 Preparation of 6-amino-2-(2-hydroxyethyl)-2-methyl-2H-1,4-benzoxazin-3(4H)-one (2)

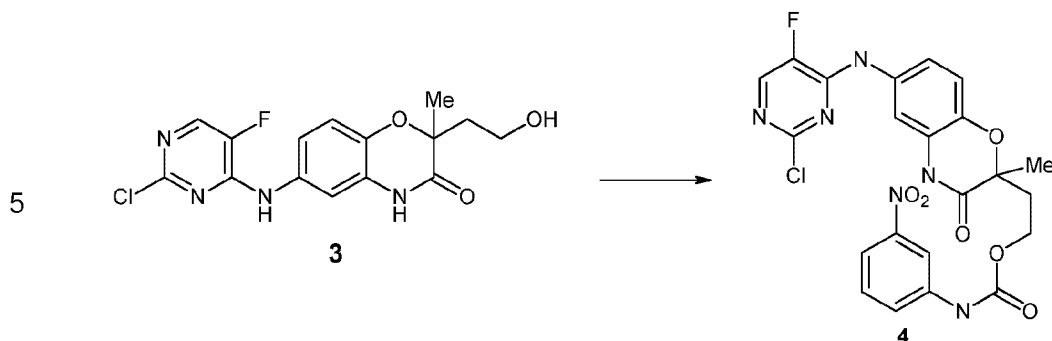
A flask containing 2-(2-hydroxyethyl)-2-methyl-6-nitro-2H-1,4-benzoxazin-3(4H)-one (983.30 mg; 3.90 mmol; 1.00 eq.) dissolved in methanol (10.00 ml) is passed through the H-Cube using 10% Pd/C cartridge, at 1 mL per minute, in full H₂ mode at 30C. The product is afforded quantitatively upon concentration of the eluent and used directly in further reactions; LCMS: rt 0.24 min; m/z 223.06.

1.3 Preparation of 6-[(2-chloro-5-fluoropyrimidin-4-yl)amino]-2-(2-hydroxyethyl)-2-methyl-2H-1,4-benzoxazin-3(4H)-one (3)

Into a clean round bottom flask equipped with a stirbar 2,4-dichloro-5-fluoropyrimidine (500.00 mg; 2.99 mmol; 1.00 eq.) and 6-amino-2-(2-hydroxyethyl)-2-methyl-2H-1,4-benzoxazin-3(4H)-one(2) (0.73 g; 3.29 mmol; 1.10 eq.) are dissolved in tetrahydrofuran (30 mL). To the stirred solution is added triethylamine (0.46 ml; 3.29 mmol; 1.10 eq.). The reaction is stirred at ambient temperature for 16 hours. Upon completion, the reaction mixture is concentrated to a residue, dissolved in minimal dichloromethane and purified with flash chromatography using a gradient of 0-10% methanol in dichloromethane to give 6-[(2-chloro-5-fluoropyrimidin-4-yl)amino]-2-(2-hydroxyethyl)-2-methyl-2H-1,4-benzoxazin-3(4H)-one(3) (243.8 mg; 0.69 mmol; 23.1%); LCMS: rt 2.82 min; m/z 353.09.

1.4 Preparation of 2-{6-[(2-chloro-5-fluoropyrimidin-4-yl)amino]-2-methyl-3-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-1,4-benzoxazin-2-yl}ethyl (3-nitrophenyl)carbamate (4)

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10 Into a round bottom flask equipped with a stir bar 3-nitroaniline (78.31 mg; 0.57 mmol; 2.00 eq.) is dissolved in THF. To this mixture N,N-diethylethanamine (0.08 ml; 0.57 mmol; 2.00 eq.) is added followed by 4-nitrophenyl chloride-carbonate (114.28 mg; 0.57 mmol; 2.00 eq.) via syringe. The reaction mixture is allowed to stir for 30 minutes. To the reaction flask 6-[(2-chloro-5-fluoropyrimidin-4-yl)amino]-2-(2-hydroxyethyl)-2-methyl-2H-1,4-benzoxazin-3(4H)-one(3) (100.00 mg; 0.28 mmol; 1.00 eq.) is added in 1 mL of dimethyl-

15 formamide. The reaction is stirred for 16 hours at ambient temperature. The reaction crude is diluted with ethyl acetate (200 mL) and extracted with brine solution. The organic layer is dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered and concentrated to a crude viscous oil which is purified with flash chromatography using a gradient of 0-100% ethyl acetate in hexanes followed by a gradient of 0-25% methanol in ethyl acetate to give 2-{6-[(2-chloro-5-fluoropyrimidin-4-yl)amino]-2-methyl-3-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-1,4-benzoxazin-2-yl}ethyl (3-

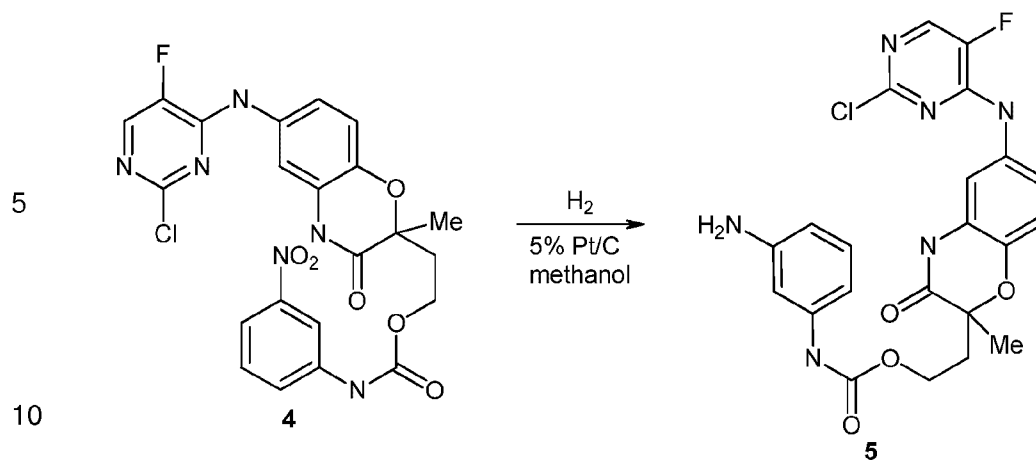
20 nitrophenyl)carbamate (4) (35.9 mg; 0.07 mmol; 24.5%) as an off white solid; Jeol ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 8.53, 8.53, 7.84, 7.84, 7.83, 7.83, 7.82, 7.82, 7.81, 7.73, 7.73, 7.72, 7.71, 7.71, 7.70, 7.54, 7.54, 7.52, 7.52, 7.50, 7.50, 4.22, 4.18, 3.15, 1.94, 1.42, 1.16, 1.15, 1.13. LCMS: rt 3.57 min; m/z 517.15.

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1.5 Preparation of 2-{6-[(2-chloro-5-fluoropyrimidin-4-yl)amino]-2-methyl-3-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-1,4-benzoxazin-2-yl}ethyl (3-aminophenyl)carbamate (5)

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15 2-6-[(2-chloro-5-fluoropyrimidin-4-yl)amino]-2-methyl-3-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-1,4-benzoxazin-2-ylethyl (3-nitrophenyl)carbamate(4) (144.70 mg; 0.28 mmol; 1.00 eq.) is dissolved in methanol (35.00 ml) then passed through a H-Cube reactor equipped with 5% Pt/C cartridge at 1 mL/min at 30°C in full H₂ mode. The desired product is purified by Prep HPLC using a gradient of 10-50% acetonitrile in water with 0.1% trifluoroacetic acid modifier to give a white

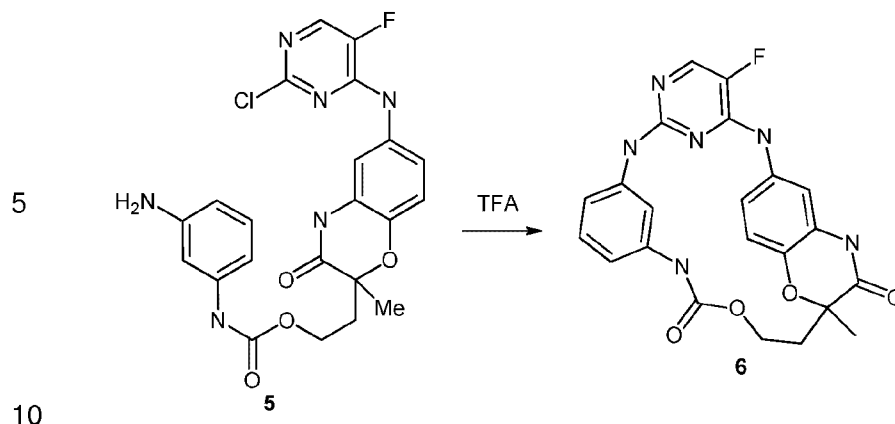
20 powder, 2-{6-[(2-chloro-5-fluoropyrimidin-4-yl)amino]-2-methyl-3-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-1,4-benzoxazin-2-yl}ethyl (3-aminophenyl)carbamate (5) (15.2 mg; 0.3 mmol; 11.2%); LCMS: rt 3.70min; m/z 518.12.

25 1.6 Cyclization of 2-{6-[(2-chloro-5-fluoropyrimidin-4-yl)amino]-2-methyl-3-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-1,4-benzoxazin-2-yl}ethyl (3-aminophenyl)carbamate (5) to give macrocycle (6)

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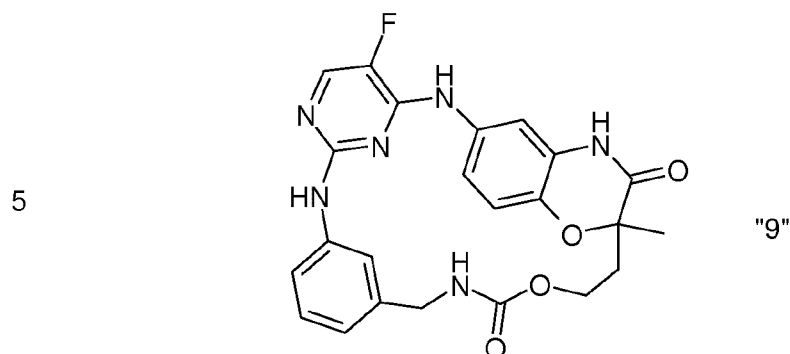


Into a 2-necked flask, equipped with condenser and stirbar was added acetonitrile (45 mL), dimethylformamide (5 mL) and trifluoroacetic acid (3.56 mg; 0.03 mmol; 1.00 eq.). The reaction vessel was brought to reflux. To the reaction vessel was added 2-(2-[[2-(3-aminophenyl)ethyl]amino]ethyl)-6-[(2-chloro-5-fluoro-pyrimidin-4-yl)amino]-2-methyl-2H-1,4-benzoxazin-3(4H)-one(6) (59.9 mg; 0.13 mmol; 1.00 eq.) in acetonitrile (5 mL) dropwise via syringe pump. The reaction was allowed to reflux for 16 hours, then the crude concentrated and purified via Prep HPLC using a 10-40% acetonitrile in water with 0.1% trifluoroacetic acid modifier to give the desired product, 6 (9.6 mg; 0.02 mmol; 68.3%). Jeol ^1H NMR (400 MHz, METHANOL- D_3) δ 9.07, 8.37, 8.02, 8.01, 7.23, 7.23, 7.21, 7.19, 7.06, 7.05, 7.04, 6.92, 6.90, 6.78, 6.77, 6.75, 6.74, 6.73, 4.43, 4.40, 4.38, 4.19, 4.18, 4.17, 4.16, 4.15, 4.15, 2.99, 2.85, 2.65, 1.67; LCMS: rt 2.35 min; m/z 451.20.

Example 2

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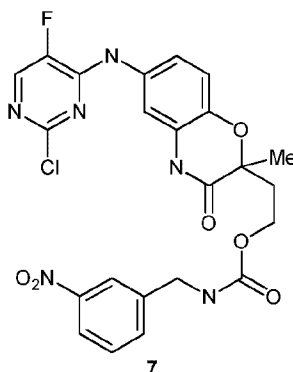


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2.1 Preparation of 2-{6-[(2-chloro-5-fluoropyrimidin-4-yl)amino]-2-methyl-3-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-1,4-benzoxazin-2-yl}ethyl (3-nitrobenzyl)carbamate (7)

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The preparation of (7) is carried out analogously to the procedure described in preparation of (4); yield: 92.3 mg (0.17 mmol; 61.3%); LCMS: rt 2.98 min; m/z 530.90.

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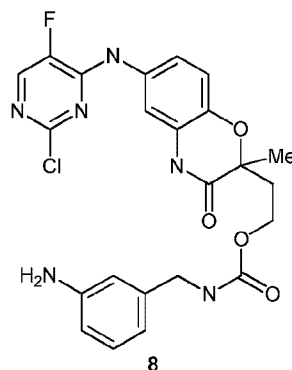
2.2 Preparation of 2-{6-[(2-chloro-5-fluoropyrimidin-4-yl)amino]-2-methyl-3-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-1,4-benzoxazin-2-yl}ethyl (3-aminobenzyl)carbamate (8)

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The preparation of (8) starting from (7) is carried out analogously to the procedure described in preparation of (5); yield: 74.2 mg (0.15 mmol; 85.2%); LCMS: rt 2.72; m/z 500.90.

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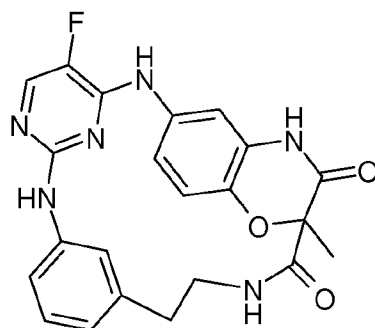
2.3 The preparation of (9) starting from (8) is carried out analogously to the procedure described in preparation of (6); yield: 3.1 mg (0.01 mmol; 4.5%); Jeol ^1H NMR (400 MHz, methanol- d_3) δ 8.04, 8.03, 7.30, 7.29, 7.25, 7.19, 7.16, 7.14, 7.03, 6.99, 6.93, 4.40, 4.40, 4.25, 4.21, 4.19, 2.65, 1.62, 1.54, 1.28; LCMS: rt 2.57 min; m/z 465.18.

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Example 3

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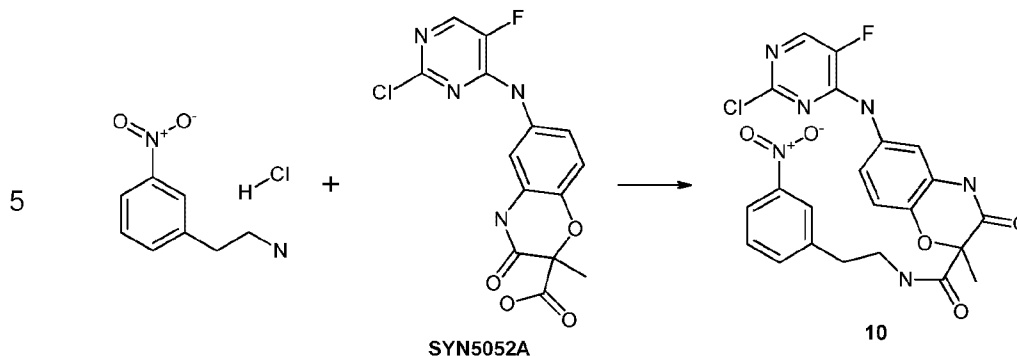
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3.1 Preparation of 6-[(2-chloro-5-fluoropyrimidin-4-yl)amino]-2-methyl-N-[2-(3-nitro-phenyl)ethyl]-3-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-1,4-benzoxazine-2-carboxamide (10)

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10 2-(3-nitrophenyl)ethanamine hydrochloride (100.00 mg; 0.49 mmol; 1.00 eq.),
6-[(2-chloro-5-fluoropyrimidin-4-yl)amino]-2-methyl-3-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-1,4-
benzoxazine-2-carboxylic acid (SYN5052A) (174.06 mg; 0.49 mmol; 1.00 eq.),
o-(7-azabenzotriazol-1-yl)-n,n,n',n'-tetra-methyluronium hexafluoro-phosphate
15 (375.28 mg; 0.99 mmol; 2.00 eq.) and N-ethyl-N-isopropylpropan-2-amine
(0.32 ml; 1.97 mmol; 4.00 eq.) are placed into a scintillation vial equipped with
a stir bar. The mixture is taken up in DMF (3.00 ml). The reaction mixture is
stirred for 16 hours. Upon completion, the reaction mixture is diluted with ethyl
acetate (100 mL) and extracted with brine solution. The organic layer is then
20 dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered, concentrated and purified via Prep
HPLC using a gradient of 10-50% acetonitrile in water with 0.1% trifluoroacetic
acid modifier to give 6-[(2-chloro-5-fluoropyrimidin-4-yl)amino]-2-methyl-N-[2-
(3-nitrophenyl)ethyl]-3-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-1,4-benzoxazine-2-carbox-amide
25 (10) (226.4 mg; 0.45 mmol; 91.6%);
Jeol ^1H NMR (400 MHz, methanol- d_3) δ 8.11, 8.10, 7.99, 7.98, 7.44, 7.42,
7.37, 7.35, 7.34, 7.17, 7.17, 7.15, 7.14, 6.98, 6.96, 4.10, 4.08, 3.57, 3.56, 3.12,
2.85, 2.84, 2.82, 2.80, 2.03, 2.00, 1.68, 1.36, 1.34, 1.25, 1.23, 1.21;
LCMS: rt 3.19 min; m/z 501.12.

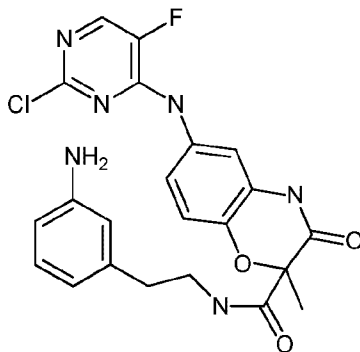
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3.2 Preparation of N-[2-(3-aminophenyl)ethyl]-6-[(2-chloro-5-fluoro-
pyrimidin-4-yl)amino]-2-methyl-3-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-1,4-benzoxazine-2-
carboxamide (11) from (10)

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The preparation of (11) is carried out analogously to the procedure described in preparation of (5); yield: 23.1 mg (0.05 mmol; 10.9%); Jeol ^1H NMR (400 MHz, methanol- d_3) δ 8.35, 8.11, 8.10, 7.40, 7.39, 7.34, 7.32, 7.23, 7.22, 7.20, 7.20, 7.11, 7.08, 7.06, 6.99, 6.97, 3.43, 3.39, 3.38, 3.36, 2.74, 2.72, 2.70, 2.65, 1.66; LCMS: rt 2.03 min; m/z 471.18.

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3.3 The preparation of (12) starting from (11) is carried out analogously to the procedure described in preparation of (6); yield: 2.1 mg (0.004 mmol; 12.2%); ^1H NMR (Jeol 400 MHz, methanol- d_3) δ 8.27, 8.26, 8.24, 8.06, 8.05, 7.43, 7.41, 7.37, 7.34, 7.34, 7.23, 7.21, 7.19, 7.16, 7.16, 7.14, 7.14, 6.98, 6.96, 6.86, 6.84, 3.44, 3.44, 3.43, 3.42, 3.41, 3.39, 3.37, 3.36, 3.34, 3.33, 3.31, 2.67, 2.65, 2.64, 1.66; LCMS: rt 0.65 min; m/z 435.18.

Example 4

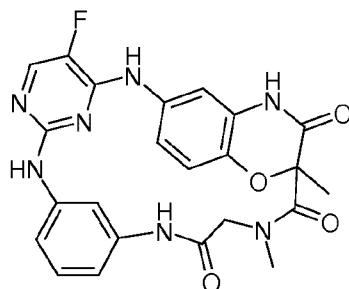
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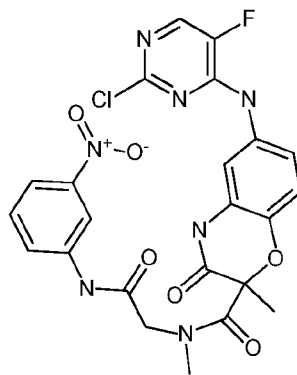


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4.1 Preparation of 6-[(2-chloro-5-fluoropyrimidin-4-yl)amino]-N,2-dimethyl-N-{2-[(3-nitrophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-3-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-1,4-benzoxazine-2-carboxamide (13)

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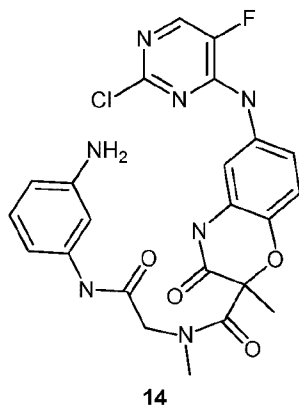
The preparation of (13) is carried out analogously to the procedure described in preparation of (11); yield: 341.5 mg (0.63 mmol; 71.9%); LCMS: rt 3.37min; m/z 543.97.

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4.2 Preparation of N-{2-[(3-aminophenyl)amino]-2-oxoethyl}-6-[(2-chloro-5-fluoro-pyrimidin-4-yl)amino]-N,2-dimethyl-3-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2H-1,4-benzoxazine-2-carboxamide (14)

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The preparation of (14) is carried out analogously to the procedure described in preparation of (5); yield: 42 mg (0.08 mmol; 44.6%);

^1H NMR (Jeol 400 MHz, methanol- d_3) δ 8.07, 8.06, 7.99, 7.44, 7.44, 7.40, 7.39, 7.23, 7.23, 7.21, 7.20, 7.06, 7.04, 7.04, 7.03, 7.02, 7.02, 7.01, 4.10, 4.08, 3.33, 2.98, 1.72;

LCMS: rt 2.54 min; m/z 513.81.

4.3 Preparation of (15) starting from (14) is carried out analogously to the procedure described in preparation of (6); yield: 9.5 mg (0.02 mmol; 33.9%);

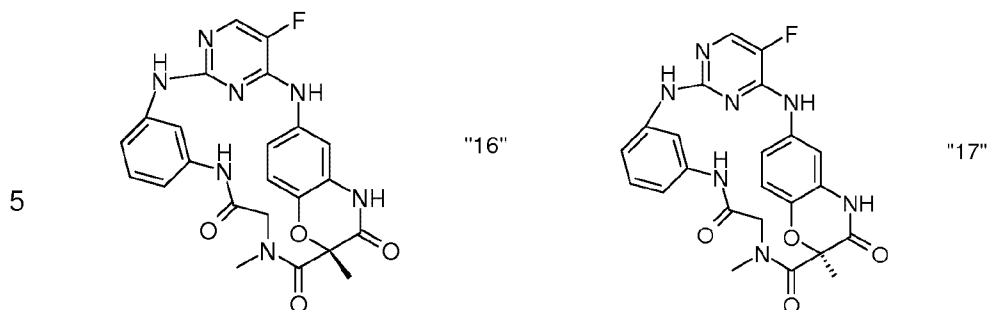
Jeol ^1H NMR (400 MHz, methanol- d_3) δ 9.38, 9.29, 8.40, 8.05, 8.04, 7.67, 7.37, 7.37, 7.25, 7.23, 7.17, 6.91, 6.77, 6.63, 6.61, 5.55, 5.51, 5.47, 4.38, 4.34, 4.02, 3.98, 3.94, 3.51, 2.88, 2.85, 1.93, 1.86, 1.67;

LCMS: rt 2.44 min; m/z 478.19.

Example 5

Preparation of "16" and "17"

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10 The racemate **15** (43 mg) is dissolved in 3 mL methanol + 0.5% diethyl amine. The enantiomers are separated by SFC chromatography (Minigram SFC, 250 mm x 4.6 mm Chiralcel OJ-H column, isocratic eluent: CO₂ + 30% 2-propanol + 0.5% diethyl amine, flow: 5 mL/min.). Due to precipitation of the racemate in

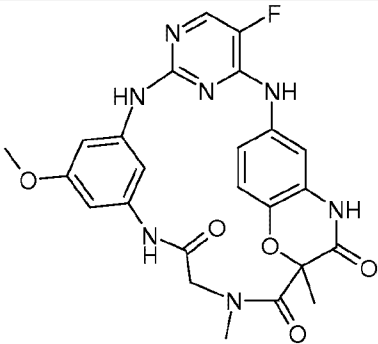
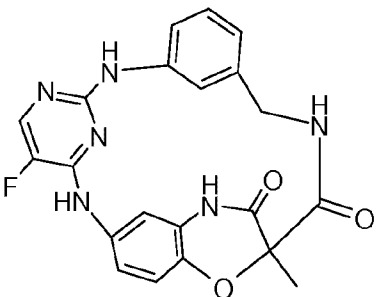
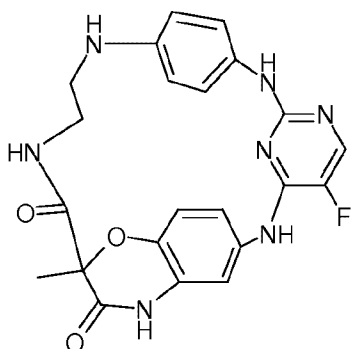
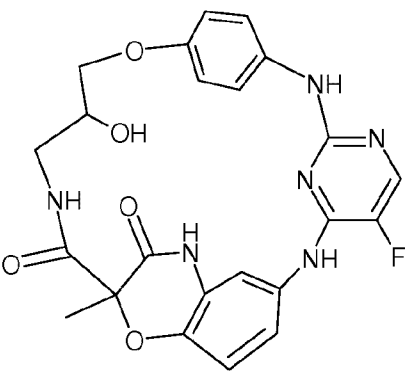
15 the injection solvent: the racemate is redissolved in more injection solvent several times. In some runs the autosampler tubing of the SFC is jammed due to compound precipitation. The injection needle and other tubing of the autosampler are cleaned and the injection continued. By use of this method,

20 three fractions are collected. The first fraction is the injection solvent peak (methanol), second fraction 10.6 mg of the first eluting enantiomer **16** and third fraction, 8 mg of the second eluting enantiomer **17**. The absolute configuration of either compound is not determined.

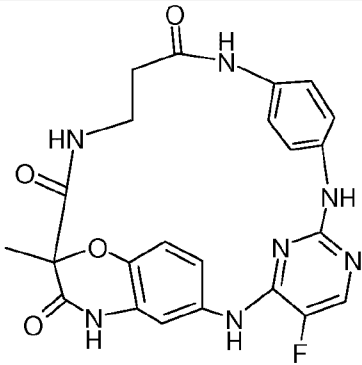
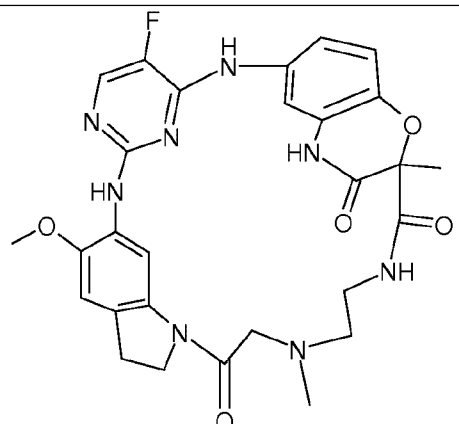
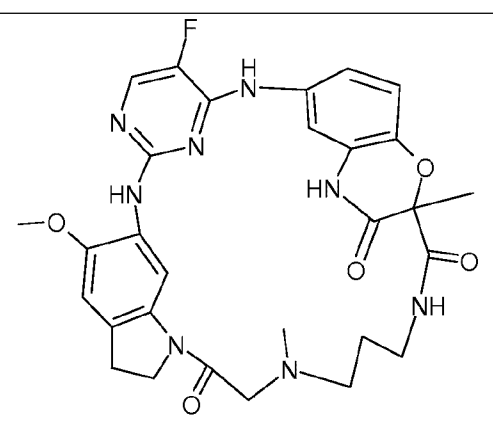
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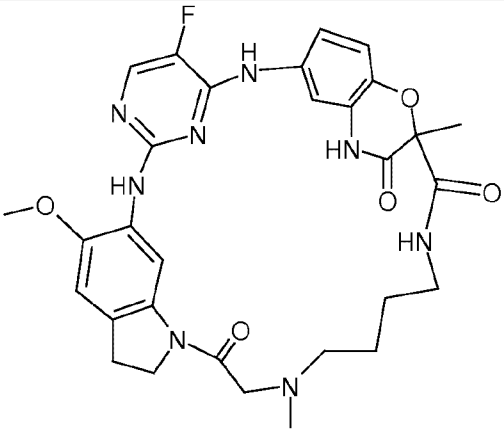
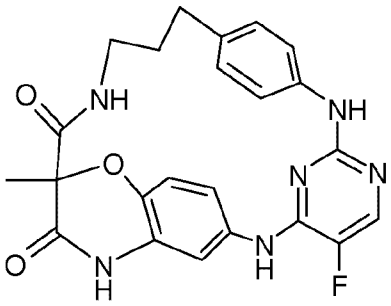
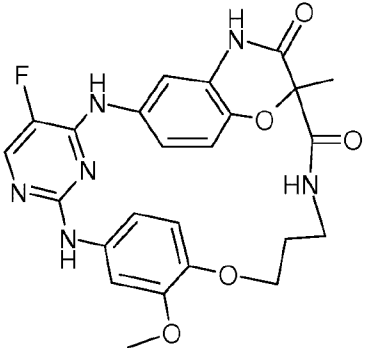
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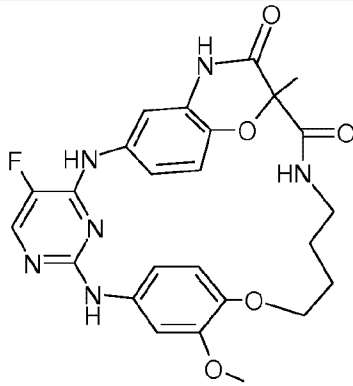
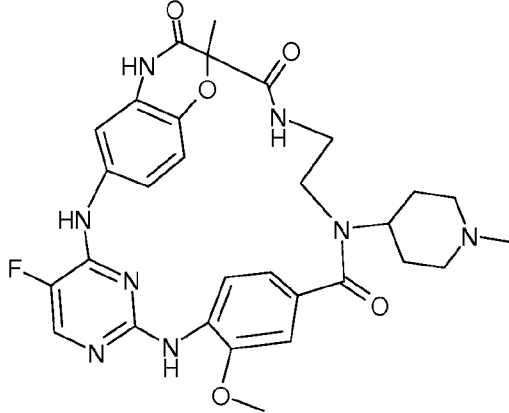
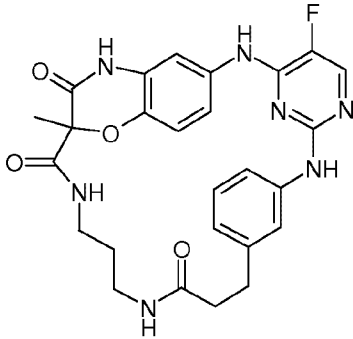
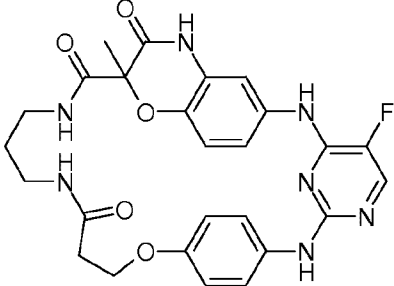
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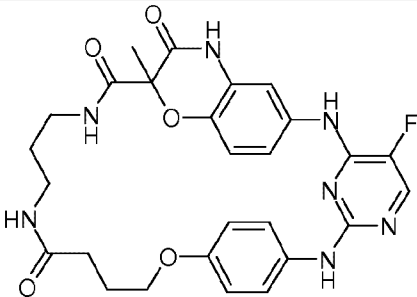
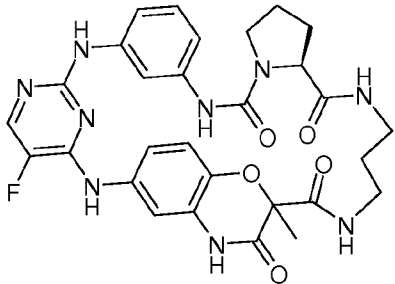
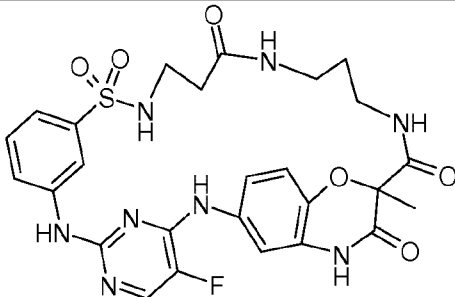
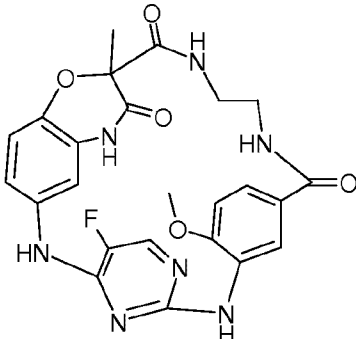
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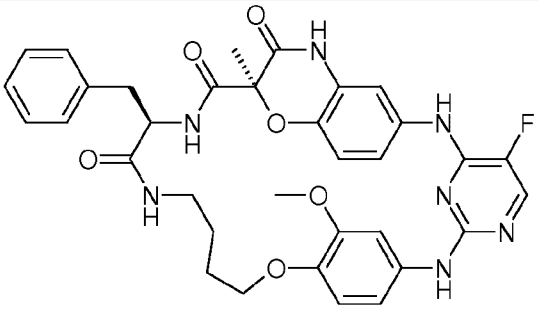
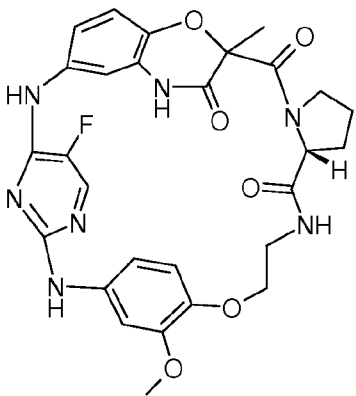
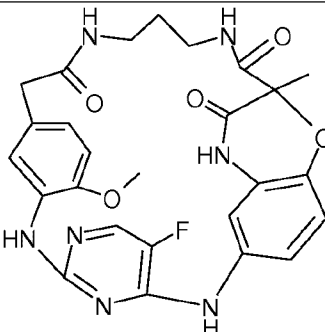
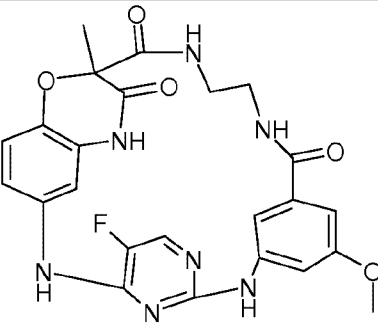
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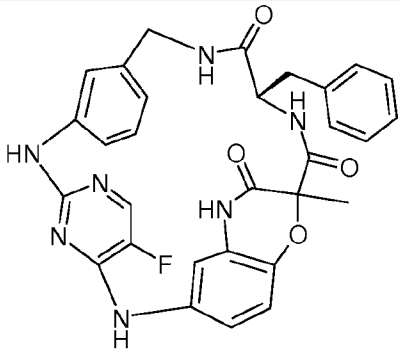
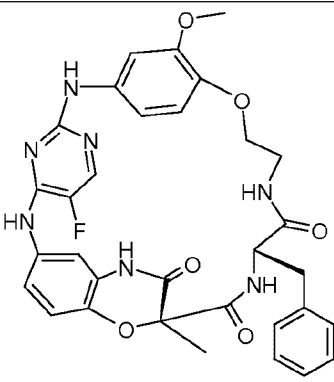
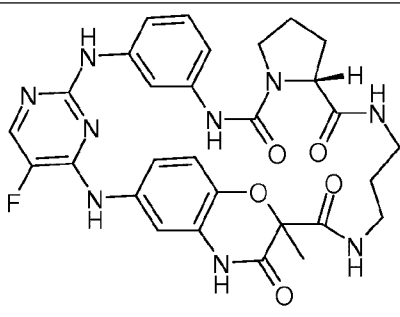
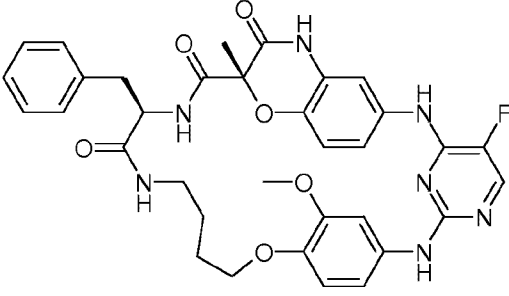
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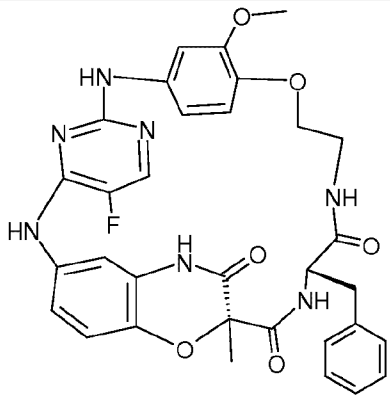
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5	"B24"		1.20 / 569.2
10	"B25"		1.23 / 629.2
15	"B26"		0.98 / 605.3
20	"B27"		1.24 / 657.6

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"B28"		1,22 / 629.2
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Pharmacological data

Table 1 Syk and GCN2 inhibition
of some representative compounds of the formula I

Compound No.	IC ₅₀ SYK (enzyme assay)	IC ₅₀ GCN2 (enzyme assay)
"6"	A	
"9"	A	
"12"	C	C
"15"	A	B
"16"	B	C
"17"	A	B
"B1"	C	
"B2"	A	
"B3"	-21% *	
"B4"	-17%	
"B5"	C	
"B6"	-5%	
"B7"	C	
"B8"	-11%	

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5	"B9"	-1%	
	"B10"	-7%	
	"B11"	C	B
	"B12"	C	B
	"B13"	-7%	
10	"B14"	-9%	
	"B15"	B	
	"B16"	B	
	"B17"	C	
	"B18"	-14%	B
15	"B19"	B	
	"B20"	B	C
	"B21"		
	"B22"	-14%	
	"B23"	B	B
20	"B24"	-23%	
	"B25"	B	
	"B26"		
	"B27"	-40%	
	"B28"	-14%	
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IC₅₀: < 0.3 μM = A 0.3 - 3 μM = B 3-50 μM = C

* 100% corresponds to zero effect

- 50% corresponds to IC₅₀

The compounds shown in Table 1 are particularly preferred compounds according to the invention.

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The following examples relate to medicaments:

Example A: Injection vials

5 A solution of 100 g of an active ingredient of the formula I and 5 g of disodium hydrogenphosphate in 3 l of bidistilled water is adjusted to pH 6.5 using 2 N hydrochloric acid, sterile filtered, transferred into injection vials, lyophilised under sterile conditions and sealed under sterile conditions. Each injection vial
10 contains 5 mg of active ingredient.

Example B: Suppositories

A mixture of 20 g of an active ingredient of the formula I with 100 g of soya
15 lecithin and 1400 g of cocoa butter is melted, poured into moulds and allowed to cool. Each suppository contains 20 mg of active ingredient.

Example C: Solution

20 A solution is prepared from 1 g of an active ingredient of the formula I, 9.38 g of $\text{NaH}_2\text{PO}_4 \cdot 2 \text{H}_2\text{O}$, 28.48 g of $\text{Na}_2\text{HPO}_4 \cdot 12 \text{H}_2\text{O}$ and 0.1 g of benzalkonium chloride in 940 ml of bidistilled water. The pH is adjusted to 6.8, and the solution is made up to 1 l and sterilised by irradiation. This solution can be
25 used in the form of eye drops.

Example D: Ointment

500 mg of an active ingredient of the formula I are mixed with 99.5 g of Vaseline under aseptic conditions.

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Example E: Tablets

A mixture of 1 kg of active ingredient of the formula I, 4 kg of lactose, 1.2 kg of potato starch, 0.2 kg of talc and 0.1 kg of magnesium stearate is pressed in a conventional manner to give tablets in such a way that each tablet contains
35 10 mg of active ingredient.

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Example F: Dragees

5 Tablets are pressed analogously to Example E and subsequently coated in a conventional manner with a coating of sucrose, potato starch, talc, tragacanth and dye.

Example G: Capsules

10 2 kg of active ingredient of the formula I are introduced into hard gelatine capsules in a conventional manner in such a way that each capsule contains 20 mg of the active ingredient.

Example H: Ampoules

15 A solution of 1 kg of active ingredient of the formula I in 60 l of bidistilled water is sterile filtered, transferred into ampoules, lyophilised under sterile conditions and sealed under sterile conditions. Each ampoule contains 10 mg of active
20 ingredient.

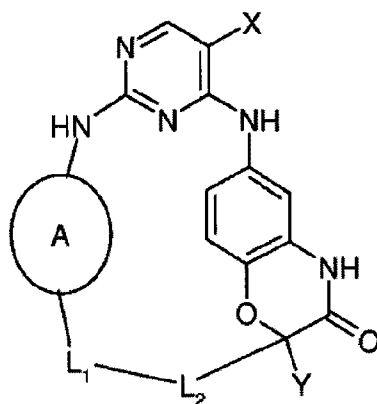
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CLAIMS:

1. A compound of the formula I



in which



- 5 denotes phenylen or 2,3-dihydro-indol-1,6-diyl, each of which is unsubstituted or monosubstituted by OA,
- X denotes Hal,
- Y denotes alkyl having 1, 2, 3 or 4 C atoms,
- 10 L₁ denotes (CH₂)_nNR¹CO, (CH₂)_n, NH(CH₂)_n, OCH₂CHOH, NHCO(CH₂)_n, CO(CH₂)_nNR¹, CONR², (CH₂)_nCONR¹, O(CH₂)_pCONR¹, NR¹CONR³CHR⁴CONR¹, SO₂NR¹(CH₂)_pCONR¹ or O(CH₂)_pNR¹CO,
- L₂ denotes O(CH₂)_p, (CH₂)_nNR¹CO, O(CH₂)_pNR¹CO, CHR⁵NR¹CO or CHR³NR⁴CO,
- R¹ denotes H or methyl,
- 15 R² denotes piperidinyl, piperazinyl, pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl, 2,3-dihydro-pyrazolyl, 1,2-dihydro-pyridyl or tetrahydropyranyl, each of which is unsubstituted or mono- or disubstituted by A and/or =O,

R³ and R⁴ together denote an alkylene chain having 2, 3 or 4 CH₂ groups,

R⁵ denotes A or benzyl,

A denotes unbranched or branched alkyl having 1-10 C atoms, in which 1-7 H atoms may be replaced by F and/or in which one or two non-adjacent CH and/or CH₂ groups may be replaced by O or N,

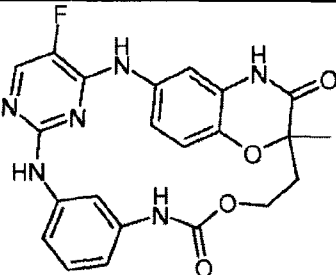
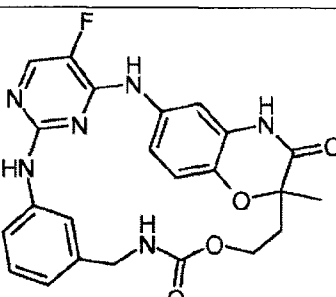
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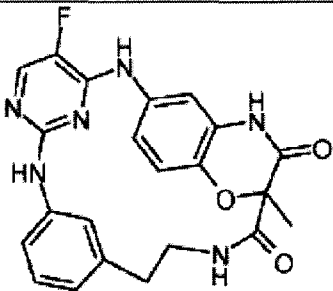
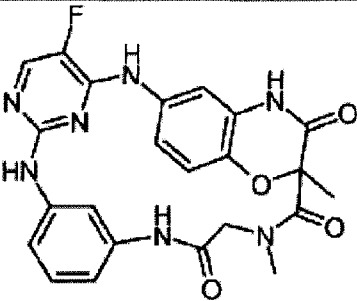
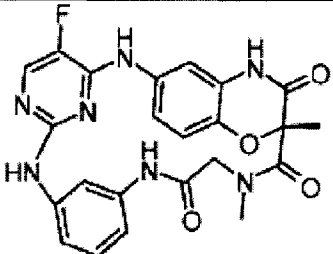
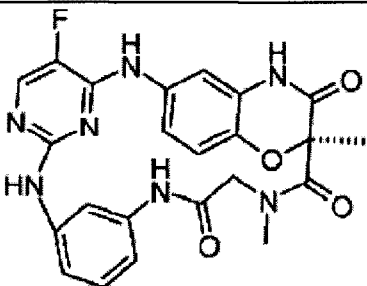
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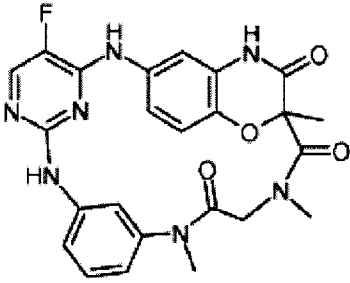
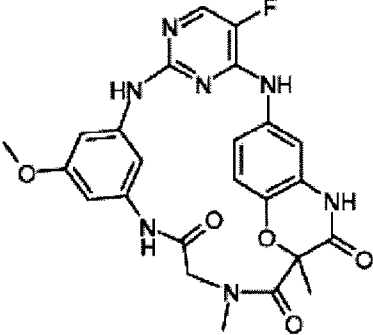
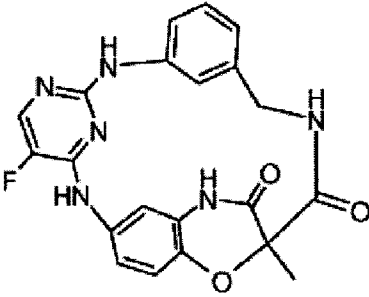
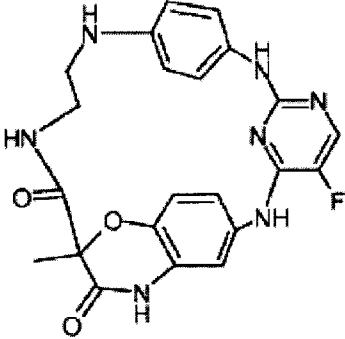
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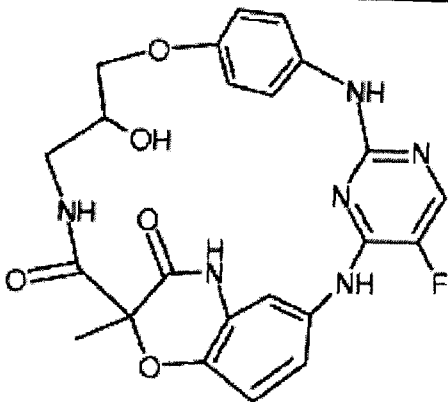
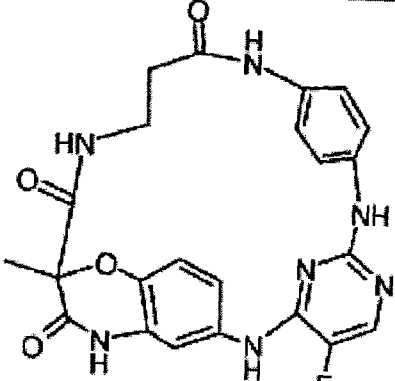
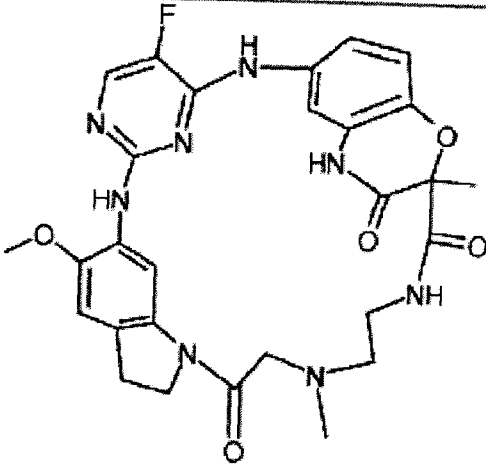
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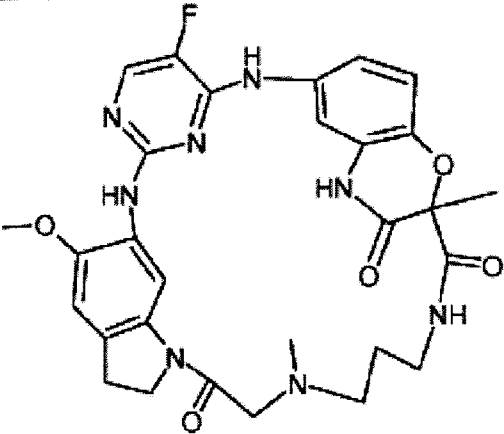
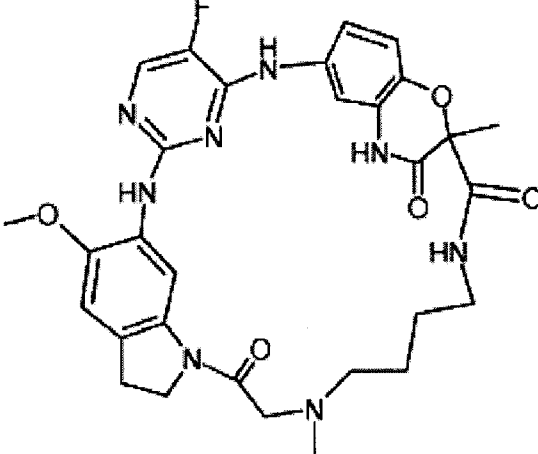
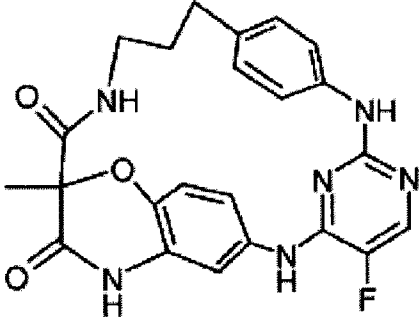
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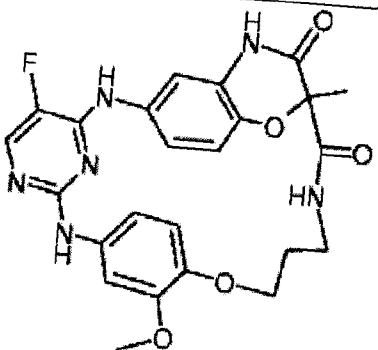
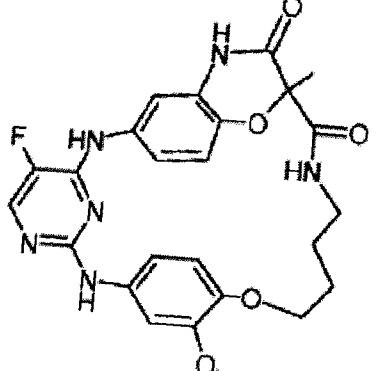
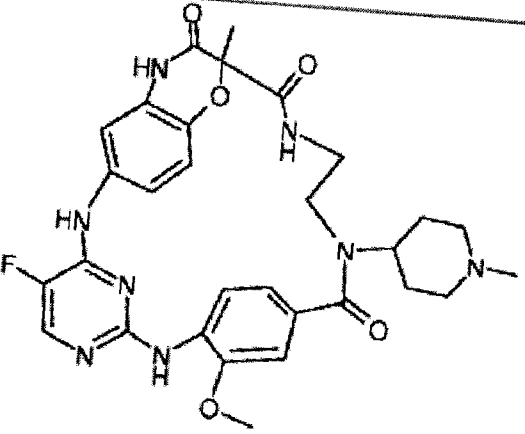
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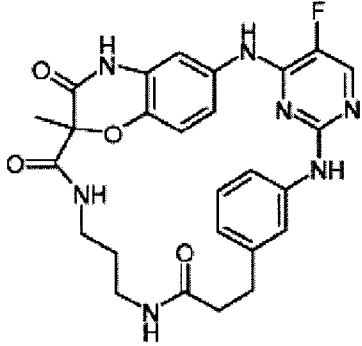
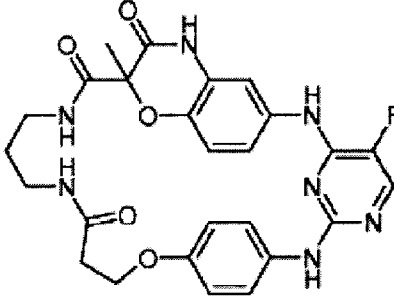
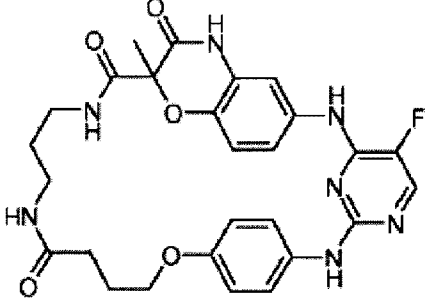
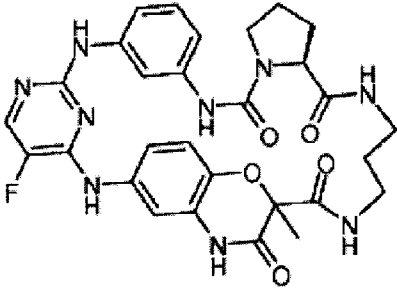
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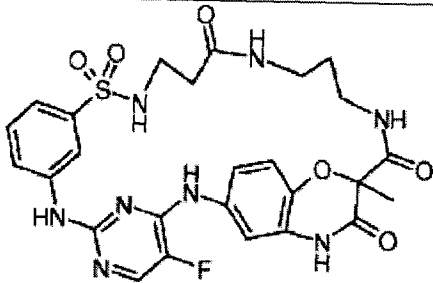
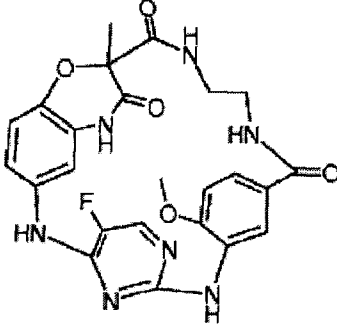
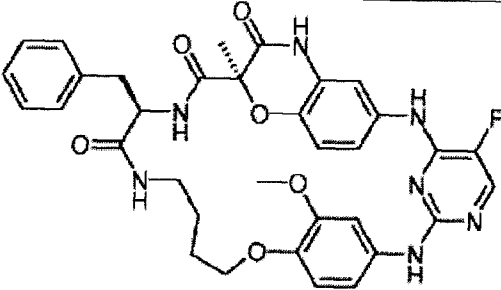
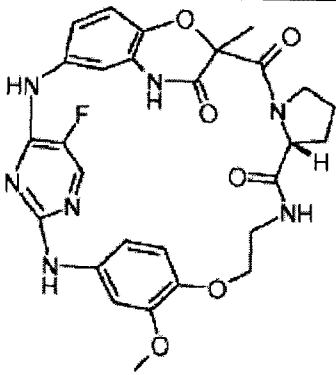
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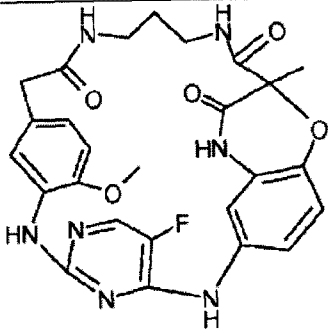
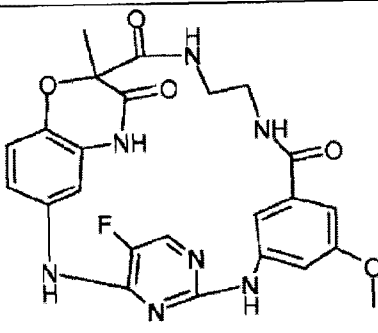
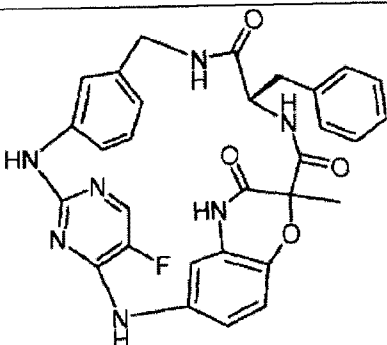
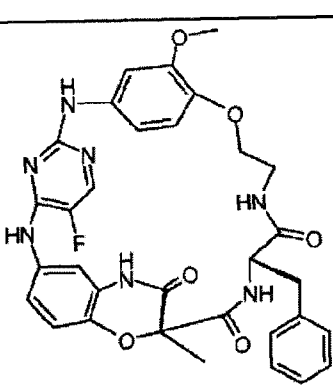
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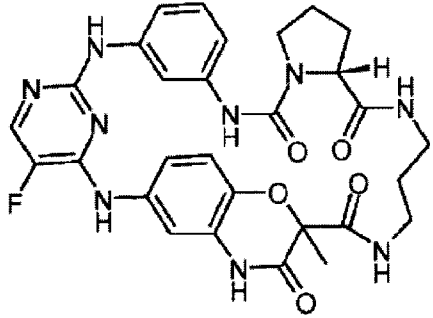
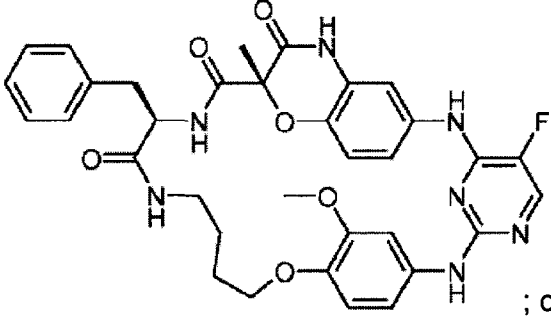
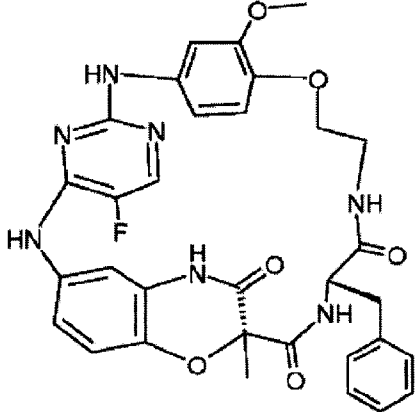
"B8"	 Chemical structure of compound B8: A macrocyclic molecule featuring a central pyrimidine ring substituted with a fluorine atom and an amino group. The amino group is linked to a benzene ring, which is part of a larger fused ring system. The structure includes a methoxy group, a carbonyl group, and a tertiary amine group.
"B9"	 Chemical structure of compound B9: A macrocyclic molecule similar to B8, but with a different ring closure and substitution pattern. It features a central pyrimidine ring, a fluorine atom, an amino group, a methoxy group, a carbonyl group, and a tertiary amine group.
"B10"	 Chemical structure of compound B10: A macrocyclic molecule with a central pyrimidine ring substituted with a fluorine atom and an amino group. The structure includes a benzene ring, a carbonyl group, and a tertiary amine group.

"B11"	 Chemical structure of compound B11: A macrocyclic molecule featuring a central pyrimidine ring substituted with a fluorine atom at the 6-position. The pyrimidine ring is linked via amide bonds to two 4-methoxyphenyl groups. These phenyl groups are further connected through an ether linkage to a long chain that forms a macrocycle, incorporating a 2,5-dioxolane ring and a 2,5-dioxane ring, both substituted with amide groups.
"B12"	 Chemical structure of compound B12: A macrocyclic molecule similar to B11, but with a different ring closure. It features a central pyrimidine ring substituted with a fluorine atom at the 6-position, linked via amide bonds to two 4-methoxyphenyl groups. The phenyl groups are connected through an ether linkage to a long chain that forms a macrocycle, incorporating a 2,5-dioxolane ring and a 2,5-dioxane ring, both substituted with amide groups.
"B13"	 Chemical structure of compound B13: A macrocyclic molecule featuring a central pyrimidine ring substituted with a fluorine atom at the 6-position. The pyrimidine ring is linked via amide bonds to two 4-methoxyphenyl groups. The phenyl groups are connected through an ether linkage to a long chain that forms a macrocycle, incorporating a 2,5-dioxolane ring and a 2,5-dioxane ring, both substituted with amide groups. The structure also includes a piperidine ring substituted with a methyl group.

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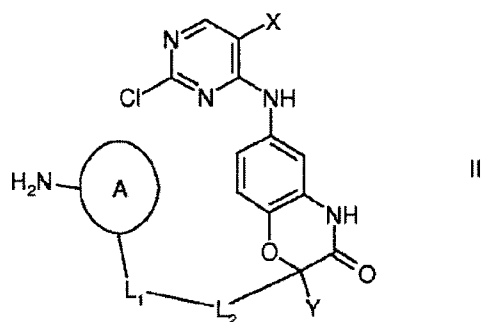
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"B27"	 ; or
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or a pharmaceutically acceptable solvate, salt, tautomer or stereoisomer thereof, including any mixture thereof in any ratio.

3. Process for the preparation of the compound of the formula I as defined in claim 1 or 2 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, solvate, tautomer or stereoisomer thereof, characterised in that a compound of the formula II



in which



L_1 , L_2 , X and Y are as defined in claim 1,

5 is cyclized,

and/or

a base or acid of the formula I is converted into one of its salts.

4. A pharmaceutical composition comprising at least one compound of the formula I as defined in claim 1 or 2 or pharmaceutically acceptable salt, solvate, tautomer or stereoisomer thereof, including any mixture thereof in any ratio, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, excipient or vehicle.
5. The compound of the formula I as defined in claim 1 or 2 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, solvate, tautomer or stereoisomer thereof, including any mixture thereof in any ratio, for use in the treatment and/or prevention of inflammatory conditions, immunological conditions, autoimmune conditions, allergic conditions, rheumatic conditions, thrombotic conditions, cancer, infections, neurodegenerative diseases, neuroinflammatory diseases, cardiovascular diseases, or metabolic conditions in a subject in need thereof.
6. The compound for use according to claim 5 wherein the use is for the treatment and/or prevention of cancer, and

wherein the cancer to be treated is a solid tumour or a tumour of the blood and immune system.

7. The compound for use according to claim 6, wherein the solid tumour originates from a tumour of the epithelium, the bladder, the stomach, the kidneys, the head and neck, the esophagus, the cervix, the thyroid, the intestine, the liver, the brain, the prostate, the uro-genital tract, the lymphatic system, the stomach, the larynx, the bones, germ cells, or the lung, or from monocytic leukaemia, lung adenocarcinoma, small-cell lung carcinomas, pancreatic cancer, glioblastomas, neurofibroma, angiosarcoma, breast carcinoma or malignant melanoma.
8. The compound for use according to claim 7, wherein the tumour of the bones is chondrosarcoma or Ewing sarcoma.
9. The compound for use according to claim 7, wherein the tumour of germ cells is an embryonal tissue tumour.
10. The compound for use according to claim 5 wherein the use is for the treatment and/or prevention of diseases or conditions selected from the group consisting of rheumatoid arthritis, systemic lupus, asthma, multiple sclerosis, osteoarthritis, ischemic injury, giant cell arteritis, inflammatory bowel disease, diabetes, cystic fibrosis, psoriasis, Sjögrens syndrome and transplant organ rejection.
11. The compound for use according to claim 5 wherein the use is for the treatment and/or prevention of diseases or conditions selected from the group consisting of Alzheimer's disease, Down's syndrome, hereditary cerebral hemorrhage with amyloidosis-Dutch Type, cerebral amyloid angiopathy, Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease, frontotemporal dementias, Huntington's disease, and Parkinson's disease.
12. The compound for use according to claim 5 wherein the use is for the treatment and/or prevention of infections caused by infectious agents selected from the group consisting of leishmania, mycobacteria, leishmania, plasmodium, human immunodeficiency virus, Epstein Barr virus, Herpes simplex virus, and hepatitis C virus.
13. The compound for use according to claim 12, wherein the mycobacteria is *M. leprae*, *M. tuberculosis* or *M. avium*.

14. A pharmaceutical composition comprising at least one compound of the formula I as defined in claim 1 or 2 or pharmaceutically acceptable salt, solvate or stereoisomer thereof, including any mixture thereof in any ratio, and at least one further medicament active ingredient.
- 5 15. Kit consisting of separate packs of
- (a) an effective amount of a compound of the formula I as defined in claim 1 or 2 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, solvate, or stereoisomer thereof, including any mixture thereof in any ratio,
- and
- 10 (b) an effective amount of a further medicament active ingredient.

