



Design and synthesis of new lupeol derivatives and their α -glucosidase inhibitory and cytotoxic activities

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ABSTRACT

A series of lupeol derivatives **2**, **2a-2f**, **2a-2h**, **3a-3e**, and **4a-4b** were designed, synthesised and evaluated for their α -glucosidase inhibitory and cytotoxic activities. Among synthetic derivatives, lupeol analogues **2b** and **2e** containing a benzylidene chain exhibited the best activity against α -glucosidase and superior to the positive agent with the IC₅₀ values of 29.4 \pm 1.33 and 20.1 \pm 0.91 μ M, respectively. Lupeol analogues **2d** and **3a** showed weak cytotoxicity against K562 cell line with the IC₅₀ values of 76.6 \pm 2.40 and 94.4 \pm 1.51 μ M, respectively.

α-Glucosidase inhibitory activity Compound IC_{50} (μM) 2b: R = 2-Cl 29.4 2e: R = 4-Br 20.1

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1. Introduction

Diabetes mellitus (DM), also known as diabetes, is a condition that impairs the body's ability to process blood glucose, otherwise known as blood sugar. There are three