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Supplementary material

Identification of potential tubulin polymerization inhibitors by 3D-QSAR, molecular docking and molecular dynamics

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Table 1S Structures and inhibition activities of the CA-4 analogues in the training set and test set (* represents compounds in test set)



| 20 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | СН | CF | 3-OH,4-OCH ₃ | 8.80 | 4.9 ^g | 1.80 |
|-----|------------------------|------------------------|------------------|---|--------|------------------|-------|
| 21 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | CF | CF | 3- NO ₂ ,4-OCH ₃ | 8.20 | 4.9 ^g | 1.67 |
| 22 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | CF | СН | 3- NO ₂ ,4-OCH ₃ | 2.30 | 4.9 ^g | 0.47 |
| 23 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | СН | CF | 3- NO ₂ ,4-OCH ₃ | 10.90 | 4.9 ^g | 2.22 |
| 24 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | CF | СН | 3-NH ₂ ,4-OCH ₃ | 5.50 | 4.9 ^g | 1.12 |
| 25 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | СН | CF | 3-NH ₂ ,4-OCH ₃ | 13.70 | 4.9 ^g | 2.80 |
| 26 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | СН | СН | 3-N ₃ ,4-OCH ₃ | 1.40 | 1.2 ^h | 1.17 |
| 27 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | СН | СН | 2-NH ₂ ,4-OCH ₃ | 1.40 | 1.2e | 1.17 |
| 28* | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | СН | СН | 2,3-OH,4-OCH ₃ | 1.90 | 1.2 ^e | 1.58 |
| 29 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | ССНО | СН | 4-OCH ₃ | 4.00 | 4.0 ^h | 1.00 |
| 30 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | CCN | СН | 4-OCH ₃ | 6.00 | 4.0 ⁱ | 1.50 |
| 31 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | CCN | СН | 3- NO ₂ ,4-OCH ₃ | 5.00 | 4.0 ⁱ | 1.25 |
| 32 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | CCN | СН | 3-OH,4-OCH ₃ | 5.00 | 4.0 ⁱ | 1.25 |
| 33* | - | CHCN | СН | 3- NH ₂ ,4-OCH ₃ | 8.00 | 4.0 ⁱ | 2.00 |
| 34 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | CCN | СН | 3- NH ₂ ,4-CH ₃ | 10.00 | 4.0 ⁱ | 2.50 |
| 35 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | CCN | СН | 3- NH ₂ ,4-Cl | 6.00 | 4.0 ⁱ | 1.50 |
| 36 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | CCN | СН | 3-NHAc,4-OCH ₃ | 10.00 | 4.0 ⁱ | 2.50 |
| *37 | 4-OCH ₃ | CHCN | СН | 3- NH ₂ ,4-OCH ₃ | 9.00 | 4.0 ⁱ | 2.25 |
| 38 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | CCON H ₂ | СН | 3- NH ₂ ,4-OCH ₃ | 3.00 | 4.0 ⁱ | 0.75 |
| 39 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | СН | СН | 3- NH ₂ ,4- OCH ₃ | 4.00 | 4.0 ⁱ | 1.00 |
| 40 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | СН | СН | 3- NH ₂ ,4- CH ₃ | 4.00 | 4.0 ⁱ | 1.00 |
| 41* | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | СН | СН | 3- NH ₂ ,4- Cl | 3.00 | 4.0 ⁱ | 0.75 |
| 42 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | CHCN | CH ₂ | 3- NH ₂ ,4-OCH ₃ | 7.00 | 4.0 ⁱ | 1.75 |
| 43 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | CCN | СН | 3- NH ₂ ,4-OCH ₃ | 10.00 | 4.0 ⁱ | 2.50 |
| 44 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | СН | CCN | 3- NH ₂ ,4-OCH ₃ | 5.00 | 4.0 ⁱ | 1.25 |
| 45* | 3,4-OCH ₃ | CHCN | СН | 3- NH ₂ ,4-OCH ₃ | 7.00 | 4.0 ⁱ | 1.75 |
| 46 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | СН | СН | 2-Cl,4-OCH ₃ | 3.50 | 1.9 ^j | 1.84 |
| 47 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | СН | СН | 4-Br | 3.10 | 1.9 ^j | 1.63 |
| 48 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | СН | СН | 4-NMe ₂ | 3.40 | 1.9 ^j | 1.79 |
| 49 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | CH ₂ | CH ₂ | 4-OCH ₃ | 7.90 | 1.9 ^j | 4.16 |
| 50 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | CH ₂ | NH | 4- OCH ₃ | 23.00 | 1.9 ^j | 12.11 |
| 51* | 3,5-OCH ₃ | CH ₂ | NH | 4- OCH ₃ | 29.00 | 1.9 ^j | 15.26 |
| 52 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | CH ₂ | NH | 3-OH,4- OCH ₃ | 100.00 | 3.9 ^k | 25.64 |
| 53 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | CH ₂ | NCH ₃ | 3-OH,4- OCH ₃ | 45.00 | 3.9 ^k | 11.54 |
| 54 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | CH ₂ | NEt | 3-OH,4- OCH ₃ | 15.00 | 3.9 ^k | 3.85 |
| 55* | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | CH ₂ | NAm | 3-OH,4- OCH ₃ | 20.00 | 3.9 ^k | 5.13 |
| 56 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | CH ₂ | NHex | 3-OH,4- OCH ₃ | 20.00 | 3.9 ^k | 5.13 |
| 57 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | CH ₂ | NBu-acid | 3-OH,4- OCH ₃ | 40.00 | 3.9 ^k | 10.26 |
| 58 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | CH ₂ | Npentanol | 3-OH,4- OCH ₃ | 20.00 | 3.9 ^k | 5.13 |
| 59 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | NH | CH ₂ | 3-OH,4- OCH ₃ | 100.00 | 3.9 ^k | 25.64 |
| 60 | 3,4,5-OCH ₃ | NCH ₃ | CH ₂ | 3-OH,4- OCH ₃ | 100.00 | 3.9 ^k | 25.64 |

 a Ref. 38; b Ref. 39; c Ref. 40; d Ref. 41; e Ref. 42; f Ref. 12; g Ref.14; h Ref.13; i Ref.43; j Ref. 44; k Ref.45; IC₅₀c 1 denotes the corrected IC₅₀.

| N | | Predicted | Residue | Predicted | Residue |
|---------|-----------------------------------|-----------|---------|-----------|---------|
| INO. | p(IC ₅₀) _c | CoMFA | CoMFA | CoMSIA | CoMSIA |
| 1(CA-4) | 0.000 | -0.189 | -0.189 | -0.181 | -0.181 |
| 2 | -0.033 | -0.086 | -0.053 | -0.086 | -0.053 |
| 3 | -0.243 | -0.295 | -0.053 | -0.221 | 0.022 |
| 4* | -0.427 | -0.143 | 0.284 | -0.087 | 0.340 |
| 5 | -0.336 | -0.286 | 0.050 | -0.322 | 0.014 |
| 6 | -0.734 | -0.734 | 0.000 | -0.711 | 0.023 |
| 7 | -0.367 | -0.362 | 0.005 | -0.348 | 0.019 |
| 8 | -0.801 | -0.778 | 0.023 | -0.782 | 0.019 |
| 9* | -0.170 | -0.335 | -0.165 | -0.354 | -0.184 |
| 10 | -0.199 | -0.248 | -0.049 | -0.178 | 0.021 |
| 11 | -0.790 | -0.803 | -0.013 | -0.795 | -0.006 |
| 12 | -1.412 | -1.444 | -0.032 | -1.426 | -0.014 |
| 13 | -0.367 | -0.339 | 0.028 | -0.396 | -0.029 |
| 14 | -0.336 | -0.341 | -0.005 | -0.278 | 0.059 |
| 15 | -0.097 | -0.134 | -0.037 | -0.098 | -0.001 |
| 16 | -0.223 | -0.221 | 0.002 | -0.176 | 0.047 |
| 17 | -0.318 | -0.317 | 0.001 | -0.380 | -0.062 |
| 18* | -0.574 | -0.433 | 0.141 | -0.502 | 0.072 |
| 19 | -0.173 | -0.182 | -0.009 | -0.260 | -0.087 |
| 20 | -0.255 | -0.246 | 0.009 | -0.234 | 0.021 |
| 21 | -0.223 | -0.181 | 0.042 | -0.207 | 0.016 |
| 22 | 0.328 | 0.331 | 0.003 | 0.308 | -0.020 |
| 23 | -0.346 | -0.305 | 0.041 | -0.323 | 0.023 |
| 24 | -0.049 | -0.181 | -0.132 | -0.131 | -0.082 |
| 25 | -0.447 | -0.377 | 0.070 | -0.300 | 0.147 |
| 26 | -0.068 | -0.006 | 0.062 | -0.099 | -0.031 |
| 27 | -0.068 | -0.107 | -0.039 | -0.054 | 0.014 |
| 28* | -0.199 | -0.075 | 0.124 | -0.201 | -0.002 |
| 29 | 0.000 | 0.036 | 0.036 | 0.005 | 0.005 |
| 30 | -0.176 | -0.275 | -0.099 | -0.217 | -0.041 |
| 31 | -0.097 | -0.145 | -0.048 | -0.031 | 0.066 |
| 32 | -0.097 | -0.238 | -0.141 | -0.206 | -0.109 |
| 33* | -0.301 | -0.385 | -0.084 | -0.554 | -0.253 |
| 34 | -0.398 | -0.289 | 0.109 | -0.307 | 0.091 |
| 35 | -0.176 | -0.274 | -0.098 | -0.323 | -0.148 |
| 36 | -0.398 | -0.300 | 0.099 | -0.401 | -0.003 |

Table 2S The experimental and predicted $pIC_{50}c$ values of all studied CA-4 analogues (* represents compounds in test set)

| 37* | -0.352 | -0.427 | -0.075 | -0.398 | -0.046 |
|-----|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| 38 | 0.125 | 0.136 | 0.011 | 0.118 | -0.007 |
| 39 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | -0.044 | -0.044 |
| 40 | 0.000 | -0.064 | -0.064 | -0.026 | -0.026 |
| 41* | 0.125 | -0.159 | -0.284 | -0.124 | -0.249 |
| 42 | -0.243 | -0.195 | 0.048 | -0.264 | -0.021 |
| 43 | -0.398 | -0.222 | 0.176 | -0.285 | 0.113 |
| 44 | -0.097 | -0.160 | -0.063 | -0.131 | -0.034 |
| 45* | -0.243 | -0.348 | -0.105 | -0.376 | -0.133 |
| 46 | -0.265 | -0.166 | 0.099 | -0.180 | 0.085 |
| 47 | -0.212 | -0.145 | 0.067 | -0.139 | 0.073 |
| 48 | -0.253 | -0.152 | 0.101 | -0.095 | 0.158 |
| 49 | -0.619 | -0.598 | 0.021 | -0.607 | 0.012 |
| 50 | -1.083 | -1.149 | -0.066 | -1.105 | -0.022 |
| 51* | -1.184 | -0.983 | 0.201 | -0.943 | 0.241 |
| 52 | -1.409 | -1.346 | 0.063 | -1.293 | 0.116 |
| 53 | -1.062 | -1.113 | -0.051 | -1.105 | -0.043 |
| 54 | -0.585 | -0.556 | 0.029 | -0.616 | -0.0313 |
| 55* | -0.710 | -0.685 | 0.025 | -0.705 | 0.005 |
| 56 | -0.710 | -0.686 | 0.024 | -0.705 | 0.005 |
| 57 | -1.011 | -0.980 | 0.031 | -1.052 | -0.041 |
| 58 | -0.710 | -0.733 | -0.023 | -0.717 | -0.007 |
| 59 | -1.409 | -1.407 | 0.002 | -1.447 | -0.038 |
| 60 | -1.409 | -1.399 | 0.010 | -1.400 | 0.009 |



Fig. 1S Alignment of the training set and CA-4 used as a template for alignment, with the common substructure (atoms numbered from 3 to 6) shown in bold.



Fig. 2S Average root-mean-square displacement (RMSD) of the backbone (C, C_{α} , N, O) atoms of the ligands-3UT5 complexes (1, 22, 22a- 22c) versus time.



Fig. 3S Average root-mean-square fluctuation (RMSF) of the backbone (C, C_{α} , N, O) atoms of the ligands-3UT5 complexes (**1**, **22**, **22a- 22c**) versus residue numbers. The residues **a**, **b**, **c**, **d**, **e**. **f**, **g**, **h** and **i** are Gln11, Ala12, Asn101, Gly144, Thr145, Val177, Tyr224, Gys241 and Lys254, respectively.



Fig. 4S ADMET_AlogP98 versus ADMET_PSA_2D.