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Supporting Information

Design, synthesis and biological evaluation of rhein-piperazine-furanone hybrids as potential anticancer agents

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General remark

Reagents and solvents were purchased from Adamas, Aldrich, and Energy Chemical, and used without further purification unless otherwise stated. The progress of the organic chemical reaction was monitored by thin-layer chromatography (TLC) (Qingdao Haiyang Chemical, China). ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance III 400 MHz spectrometer. The FT-IR spectra recorded on a Shimadzu FTIR-8400S Fourier Transform Infrared Spectrophotometer (400–4000 cm⁻¹) with KBr pellets. High-resolution mass spectrums were recorded on a Thermo Fisher LTQ Orbitrap XL. The bioassays were carried out by Wuhan Biofavor Biotech Service Co., Ltd.

¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR and HRMS for hybrids 5a–5j

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5a





192.15	180.53	167.66 167.33 162.52 162.39	154.90	143.21 137.67 132.94	124.99 122.47 120.22 117.72 116.31 116.31 115.35	97.12	38.87	81.11 77.47 77.16 76.84	47.96 47.35 42.26	33.73 31.51	25.11 22.57 22.17 21.09 15.66
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HRMS spectrum of 5a



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¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of **5b**



¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of **5b**



HRMS spectrum of 5b





— 12 11 10 9 5 2 8 7 6 3 1 0 ppm 0.93 0.97 1.13 1.09 1.01 1.01 1.15 3.06 1.97 1.05 0.97 0.93 0.86 **9.00**

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of **5c**



192.23	180.61	168.12 167.38 162.58 162.45 157.59	143.23 137.71 133.96 133.01	125.03 122.51 120.27 117.76 116.37 115.41	98.12	81.03 77.48 77.16.84 75.60 75.60	48.01 47.52 41.80	33.77 31.56	25.15 22.61 22.21 21.12 15.71
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¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of **5**c



HRMS spectrum of 5c



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of **5d**



¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of **5d**



HRMS spectrum of 5d

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zss-318-C



Т 0 ppm ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of **5e**



HRMS spectrum of 5e









HRMS spectrum of 5f







¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of **5**g



HRMS spectrum of 5g





¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of **5h**

ppm



¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of **5h**

ppm



HRMS spectrum of 5h

zss-315-H



zss-315-C





HRMS spectrum of 5i

zss-320-H





¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of **5**j

