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A General Synthetic Strategy and Anti-Proliferation Property of Natural Phenylethanoid Glycosides

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General experimental:

Reagent-grade chemicals were purchased from commercial vendors and used without further purification. Dichloromethane (CH₂Cl₂) was dried by Asianwong solvent purification system (AWS-1000). *N*,*N*-Dimethylformamide (DMF) was stocked with flame-dried molecular sieves (MS) under N₂. Progress of reactions was monitored by thin layer chromatography on silica gel 60 F-254 plate and visualized under UV illumination and/or by staining with acidic ceric ammonium molybdate or *p*-anisaldehyde. Silica gel (Geduran Si-60, 0.063-0.200 mm) for chromatography was obtained from Merck. NMR spectra were recorded at 400 MHz and 100 MHz spectrometers in Varian console or 500 MHz and 125 MHz spectrometers in Varian console or 600 MHz and 150 MHz in Varian console as specified. Coupling constants in Hz was calculated from chemical shifts of ¹H NMR spectra.

Preparation of 2-(3,4-bis(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)phenyl-ethanol $\mathbf{8}^{S1}$ and 3,4-bis(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy) protected caffeic acid $\mathbf{9}^{S2}$ were prepared according to literature procedure.

p-Tolyl 3-*O*-Allyl-2-*O*-(2-naphthyl)methyl-1-thio-β-D-glucopyranoside (5) (Scheme 1a in article):



To a solution of thioglucoside 12 (4.0 g, 7.35 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂/MeOH (1:1, 60 mL) was added p-TsOH (5.6 g 29.41 mmol) at room temperature and reaction mixture was stirred for 6 h. After completion of reaction it was brought to 0 °C and neutralized by Et₃N and concentrated. The residue obtained was dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 (250 mL) and washed with water (2 × 100 mL), dried (MgSO₄) concentrated and purified by flash column chromatography (Elution: Hexane/EtOAc, 1/1) over silica gel to furnish thioglucoside 5 (2.6 g, 86%) as off white solid. For thioglucoside 5, $R_{\rm f} = 0.40$ (Hexane:EtOAc, 1:1); $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{25} = -22.4$ (c 0.5, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta =$ 7.84-7.81 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.56 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.46-7.42 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.10 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, ArH), 5.99-5.89 (m, 1H, allylic-H), 5.26 (dq, J = 17.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (dd, J = 10.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.06 (d, J = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.88 (d, J = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.68-4.66 (m, 1H), 4.42 (ddt, J = 12.4, 5.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (ddt, *J* = 12.8, 6.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.91-3.88 (m, 1H), 3.81-3.75 (m, 1H), 3.60-3.57 (m, 1H), 3.46-3.40 (m, 2H), 3.36-3.32 (m, 1H), 2.93 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.32 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.9 (bs, 1H, OH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 138.0$, 135.5, 134.9, 133.3, 133.1, 132.8, 132.5, 129.86, 129.80, 129.7, 128.2, 128.0, 127.7, 126.9, 126.2, 126.1, 126.0, 117.4 (allylic-C), 88.1 (C-1), 85.9, 80.8, 79.2, 75.4, 74.3, 70.4, 62.6, 21.1 (CH₃); HRMS-EI (m/z): $[M + Na]^+$ calcd. for C₂₇H₃₀NaO₅S, 489.1706; found, 489.1724.

2,3,4,6-Tetra-*O*-(2-naphthyl)methyl-α-D-glucopyranosyl diphenylphosphate (6) (Scheme 1b in article):



To a solution of thioglucoside 6a (6.5 g, 22.72 mmol) and 2-(bromomethyl)-naphthalene (24.1 g, 109.09 mmol) in DMF (100 mL), NaH (4.5 g, 113.63 mmol) was added at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at RT for 4 h. Upon completion of reaction as monitored by TLC, the reaction mixture was brought to 0 °C and then quenched by addition of ice-water (10 mL). The resulting mixture was poured to H₂O (300 mL) to precipitate the product. The precipitate was filtered and washed with H₂O, followed by hexane, and then dried under vacuum to obtain the NAP-protected thioglucoside (16.6 g, 88%), which was directly undertaken deprotection after standard workup and purification. The per-O-NAP thioglucoside (11.0 g, 13.22 mmol) was suspended in acetone (60 mL), followed by addition of 1:1 CH₂Cl₂:H₂O mixture (12.0 mL). Then the reaction mixture was cooled at 0 °C and NBS (4.7 g, 26.40 mmol) was added. After stirring for 30 min, the reaction mixture was warmed to RT. After reaction at RT for 3 h, the reaction mixture was diluted by H₂O (60 mL), and the acetone was removed under reduced pressure and the residual aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 150 mL). Combined CH_2Cl_2 organic phase was dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated for flash chromatography purification over silica gel to furnish the desired glucosyl hemiacetal 6b (7.0 g, 89%) as an off-white powder. For glucosyl hemiacetal **6b**, $R_f = 0.25$ (Hexane:EtOAc, 2.2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.80-7.62$ (m, 13H, ArH), 7.53-7.37 (m, 14H, ArH), 7.09 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 5.30 (t, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H),

5.16-5.09 (m, 1H), 5.03-4.87 (m, 4H), 4.81 (dd, J = 7.2, 55.2 Hz, 0.4 H), 4.75 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 4.68-4.58 (m, 2H), 4.12-4.06 (m, 2H), 3.78-3.68 (m, 4H), 3.54-3.50 (m, 0.36 H), 3.06 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 136.3$, 135.6, 135.4, 135.33, 135.30, 133.4, 133.3, 133.28, 133.22, 133.19, 133.10, 133.0, 132.9, 128.4, 128.36, 128.32, 128.2, 128.17, 128.13, 128.06, 128.04, 127.9, 127.8, 127.77, 127.74, 127.6, 127.1, 127.0, 126.94, 126.90, 126.58, 126.53, 126.47, 126.41, 126.3, 126.28, 126.23, 126.19, 126.16, 126.07, 126.02, 126.00, 125.9, 125.87, 125.85, 125.81, 125.7, 97.7, 91.4, 84.6, 83.1, 81.8, 80.0, 77.8, 77.7, 77.4, 75.8, 75.7, 75.1, 74.93, 74.90, 73.77, 73.73, 73.4, 70.5, 68.9, 68.6.

The glucosyl hemiacetal **6b** was directly used for phosphate preparation. To a solution of hemiacetal 6b (6.0 g, 9.95 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (36 mL) were added DMAP (4.2 g, 34.82 mmol) and diphenyl chlorophosphate (4.1 mL, 19.90 mmol) at -10 °C and the reaction mixture was stirred for 2.0 h and 30 min at 0 °C. After the completion of reaction as monitored by TLC, the reaction mixture was brought to RT and diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (150 mL) and washed with aq. NaHCO₃ (100 mL), H_2O (2 × 100 mL), dried (MgSO₄), and concentrated. The residue obtained was purified by column chromatography (Elution: Hexane/EtOAc, 4/1) to afford glucosyl phosphate donor 6 (7.6 g, 85%) as a white glassy solid. For glucosyl phosphate 6, $R_f = 0.50$, (Hexane/EtOAc, 2/1 v/v); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.80-7.63 (m, 13H, ArH), 7.56 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.52 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.47-7.37 (m, 12H, ArH), 7.26-7.20 (m, 6H, ArH), 7.16-7.03 (m, 5H, ArH), 6.15 (dd, J = 6.8, 3.2 Hz, 1H, H-1), 5.11 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.97-4.92 (m, 3H), 4.79 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H)Hz, 1H), 4.69 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 4.61 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 4.52 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.01 (t, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 4.018.8 Hz, 1H), 3.86- 3.80 (m, 2H), 3.76 (dt, J = 9.6, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (dd, J = 10.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.40 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 150.63$, 150.60, 150.56, 150.53, 136.1, 135.4, 135.2, 134.9, 133.3, 133.26, 133.24, 133.21, 133.15, 133.10, 133.03, 132.9, 129.7, 129.6, 128.3, 128.18, 128.10, 128.0, 127.9, 127.77, 127.74, 127.72, 127.6, 127.1, 126.9, 126.5, 126.4, 126.23, 126.21, 126.12, 126.10, 126.0, 125.9, 125.7, 125.3, 120.55, 120.50, 120.28, 120.23, 97.08

(C-1,d, $J_{c-p} = 6.0$ Hz), 81.1, 76.7, 75.8, 75.2, 73.6, 73.2, 72.8, 67.5. The phosphate donor **6** was unstable to MS analysis and was directly used for next glycosylation.

p-Tolyl 2,3,4,6-Tetra-O-(2-naphthyl)methyl-1-thio-α-L-rhamnopyranoside (7) (Scheme 2a in article):



То solution of rhamnose thioglycoside 7a (2.0)mmol) а g, 7.40 and 2-(bromomethyl)-naphthalene (5.8 g, 26.6 mmol) in DMF (25 mL), NaH (1.2 g, 29.6 mmol) was added at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at RT for 3 h. Upon completion of reaction as monitored by TLC, the reaction mixture was brought to 0 °C and quenched by ice-water (5mL) further reaction mixture was poured in H₂O (75 mL). Aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 \times 50 mL). Combined organic layers were washed with brine (3 \times 50 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated for flash chromatography purification over silica gel to furnish the desired product 7 (4.7 g, 92%) as a white amorphous solid. For compound 7, $R_{\rm f} = 0.40$ (Hexane:EtOAc, 4:1); $[\alpha]_D = -34.6 (c \ 0.5, CHCl_3)$; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 7.81-7.65 (m, 1)$ 12H, ArH), 7.50-7.40 (m, 9H, ArH), 7.18 (dd, J = 6.4, 1.6 Hz, 2H, ArH), 6.98 (dd, J = 8.0, 0.4 Hz, 2H, ArH), 5.44 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 4.88 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.85 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 4.85 (d, J 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.79 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 4.75 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.23-4.16 (m, 1H), 4.05 (dd, J = 2.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 3.96 (dd, J = 9.2, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 2.27 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.40 (d, J =6.2 Hz, 3H, CH_3); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 137.5, 136.1, 135.8, 135.3, 133.38, 133.34, 133.34, 135.3, 135.$ 133.2, 133.1, 133.0, 132.0, 130.7, 129.8, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 128.03, 128.00, 127.75, 127.74, 127.71, 126.9, 126.58, 126.55, 126.14, 126.12, 126.06, 126.04, 126.01, 125.9, 125.8, 86.3 (C-1), 80.7, 80.1, 76.5, 75.5, 72.3, 72.2, 69.5, 21.1 (*C*H₃), 18.1 (*C*H₃); HRMS-EI (m/z): [M + Na]⁺ calcd. C₄₆H₄₂NaO₄S⁺, 713.2696; found, 713.2689.

p-Tolyl 3-*O*-Allyl-4,6-*O*-(2-naphthyl)methylene-1-thio-β-D-glucopyranoside (11) and *p*-tolyl 3-*O*-allyl-2-*O*-(2-naphthyl)methyl-4,6-*O*-(2-naphthyl)methylene-1-thio-β-D-glucopyranoside (12) (Scheme 1a in article):



To a solution of thioglucoside 10 (13.0 g, 0.0398 mol) in CH₃CN/DMF (9:1, 150 mL) were added 2-(dimethoxymethyl)-naphthalene (12.0 g, 0.059 mol) and pTSA (1.5 g, 0.008 mol) at 0 °C and the reaction mixture was stirred at RT for 3 h. Upon completion of reaction as monitored by TLC, the reaction mixture was poured in H₂O (300 mL) and the product was precipitated. The precipitate was washed with briefly with H₂O, followed by hexane, and then dried under vacuum to obtain the desired thioglucoside 11 (17.0 g, 92% yield.). For thioglucoside 11, $R_{\rm f} = 0.45$ (Hexane/EtOAc, 2/1); $[\alpha]_D = +42.3$ (*c* 0.6, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.87$ (s, 1H, ArH), 7.78-7.74 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.48 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.43-7.36 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.07 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, ArH), 5.92-5.82 (m, 1H, allyl-H), 5.60 (s, 1H, naphthalidene-CH), 5.22 (dq, J =17.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.12-5.09 (m, 1H), 4.51 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 4.37-4.32 (m, 2H), 4.21 (ddt, J = 12.4, 6.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.74 (t, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 3.56-3.52 (m, 2H), 3.48-3.37 (m, 2H), 2.57 (s, 1H, OH), 2.28 (s, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 138.8$, 134.8, 134.6, 133.9, 133.6, 132.9, 129.9, 128.4, 128.1, 127.7, 127.2, 126.5, 126.2, 125.5, 123.6, 117.6 (allyl-C), 101.4 (naphthalidene-C), 88.7 (C-1), 81.4, 81.2, 73.8, 72.1, 70.8, 68.7, 21.2 (CH₃). To a solution of the thioglucoside 11 (17.0 g, 0.036 mol) and 2-(bromomethyl)-naphthalene (9.7 g, 0.043 mol) in DMF (170 mL), NaH (2.0 g, 0.051 mol) was added was added at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h at RT. Upon completion of reaction as monitored by TLC, the reaction mixture was again

cooled at 0 °C, quenched by ice-water (5 mL) further reaction mixture was poured in H₂O (400 mL), solid precipitated was filtered and washed with H₂O (200 mL) after removal of water solid obtained was washed with hexane (300 mL) and dried under vacuum to obtained the desired thioglucoside **12** (20.0 g, 91%). For thioglucoside **12**, $R_f = 0.40$, (Hexane:EtOAc, 4:1); $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -11.4$ (c = 0.6, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.87$ (s, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.78 -7.72 (m, 7H, Ar*H*), 7.52 (dd, J = 8.4, 2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.49 (dd, J = 8.4 Hz, 2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.41-7.36 (m, 6H, Ar*H*), 7.03 (dd, J = 8.4, 0.4 Hz, 2H, Ar*H*), 5.92-5.85 (m, 1H, allylic-*H*), 5.62 (s, 1H, naphthalidene-*H*), 5.21 (dq, J = 17.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.09-5.06 (m, 1H), 4.96 (d, J = 10.8, Hz, 1H), 4.91 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 4.39-4.31 (m, 2H), 4.21 (ddt, J = 12.8, 5.8/5.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (t, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 3.67 (dd, J = 9.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.60 (t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.46-3.36 (m, 2H), 2.25 (s, 3H, C*H*₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 138.2$, 135.6, 135.0, 134.6, 133.6, 133.3, 133.1, 133.0, 132.9, 129.8, 129.2, 128.4, 128.16, 128.13, 128.0, 127.75, 127.73, 126.9, 126.4, 126.3, 126.2, 126.0, 125.9, 125.5, 123.7, 117.1 (allylic-*C*), 101.3 (naphthalidene-*C*), 88.6 (C-1), 82.8, 81.4, 80.5, 76.0, 74.2, 70.3, 68 .8, 21.2 (*C*H₃); HRMS-EI (*m*/z): [M + Na]⁺ calcd. for C₃₈H₃₆NaO₅S⁺, 627.2176; found 627.2176.

p-Tolyl 3-O-Allyl-2,6-di-O-(2-naphthyl)methyl-1-thio-β-D-glucopyranoside (13) (Scheme 1a in article):



To a suspension of compound **12** (15 g, 24 mmol) and activated molecular sieves (AW300, 10 g) in CH₂Cl₂ (225 mL) were added. triethylsilane (39.5 mL, 248 mmol) and TFA (18.5 mL, 248 mmol) at 0 °C and reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at RT. Upon completion of reaction as monitored by TLC, the reaction mixture was filtered from celite bed, subsequently diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (100 mL) and washed by NaHCO_{3(aq)} (2 × 200mL) and H₂O (3 × 200 mL). The resulting

mixture was dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated for flash chromatography purification (Elution: Hexane/EtOAc, 4/1) over silica gel to furnish the desired product **13** (11.0g, 73% yield) as a white glassy solid. For thioglucoside **13**, $R_f = 0.30$ (Hexane:EtOAc, 4:1); $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -40.2$ (*c* 0.4, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.83-7.81$ (m, 7H, ArH), 7.78 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.57 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.47-7.44 (m, 7H, ArH), 7.00 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, ArH), 5.99-5.90 (m, 1H, allylic-*H*), 5.26 (dd, J = 17.6, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (d, J = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 5.05 (d, J = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.87 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.73 (dd, J = 15.2, 12.0 Hz, 2H), 4.65 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 4.42-4.37 (m, 1H), 4.31-4.26 (m, 1H), 3.87-3.78 (m, 2H), 3.67-3.62 (m, 1H), 3.52-3.41 (m, 3H), 2.76-2.73 (m, 1H), 2.25 (s, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 137.7$, 135.6, 135.4, 135.0, 133.37, 133.33, 133.1, 133.0, 132.5, 129.8, 129.7, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.7, 126.9, 126.5, 126.3, 126.18, 126.10, 125.9, 125.7, 117.3 (allylic-*C*), 88.0 (C-1), 86.0, 80.5, 78.1, 75.4, 74.4, 73.8, 71.7, 70.4, 21.1 (CH₃); HRMS-EI (*m*/z): [M + Na]⁺ calcd. for C₃₈H₃₈NaO₅S⁺, 629.2332; found, 629.2326.

p-Tolyl 3-*O*-allyl-2,4-di-*O*-(2-napthyl)methyl-1-thio-β-D-glucopyranoside (14) (Scheme 1a in article):



LiAlH₄ (245 mg, 6.62 mmol) was added to a solution of thioglucoside **12** (1.0 g, 1.65 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂/Et₂O (1:1, 50 mL), and mixture was slowly heated to its boiling point. AlCl₃ (1.5 g, 11.5 mmol) in Et₂O (20 mL) was added to hot solution over 30 min. Reaction mixture was heated at reflux for 2 h. Upon completion of reaction as monitored by TLC, the reaction mixture was poured to EtOAc (250 mL) and quenched by supersaturated Na₂SO₄. The resulting mixture filtered, and concentrated for flash chromatography purification over silica gel (Hexane:Et₂O, 3:1)to furnish the desired product (750 mg, 75%). For **14**, $R_f = 0.35$ (Hexane: Et₂O, 1:1); $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +1.040$ (*c* 0.6, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.85-7.80$ (m, 7H, ArH), 7.76 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.58 (dd, J =

8.4, 1.5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.49-7.41 (m, 7H, ArH), 7.10 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H, ArH), 6.03-5.94 (m, 1H), 5.32-5.26 (m, 1H), 5.17 (dq, J = 10.3, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.06 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (d, J = 11.1 Hz, 1H), 4.92 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 4.81 (d, J = 11.1 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (d, J = 9.7 Hz, 1H), 4.42 (ddt, J = 12.4, 5.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (ddt, J = 12.4, 5.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (ddd, J = 11.9, 6.3, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (ddd, J = 12.0, 7.,1 4.9Hz, 1H), 3.64-3.54 (m, 2H), 3.47 (dd, J = 9.7, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 3.39-3.34 (m, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 1.98 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 138.0$, 135.5, 135.4, 135.0, 133.37, 133.32, 133.16, 133.11, 132.6, 129.8, 129.5, 128.3, 128.2, 128.03, 128.00, 127.7, 127.0, 126.9, 126.3, 126.2, 126.11, 126.10, 126.04, 126.00, 117.0, 87.8, 86.2, 81.1, 79.3, 77.6, 75.6, 75.2, 74.6, 62.3, 21.2; HRMS (m/z): [M + Na]⁺ calcd. for C₃₈H₃₈NaO₅S⁺, 629.2332; found, 629.2329.

Inhibition of human hormone-refractory prostate cancer PC-3 cells:

Human hormone-refractory prostate cancer PC-3 cells were seeded in 96-well plates in medium with 5% FBS. After 24 h, cells were fixed with 10% trichloroacetic acid (TCA) to represent cell population at the time of PhG compound addition (T₀). After additional incubation of 0.1% dimethylsulfoxide (DMSO) or the PhG compound (**1**, **2**, or **3**) for 48 h, cells were fixed with 10% TCA and SRB at 0.4% (w/v) in 1% acetic acid was added to stain cells. Unbound SRB was washed out by 1% acetic acid and SRB bound cells were solubilized with 10 mM Trizma base. The absorbance was read at a wavelength of 515 nm. Using the following absorbance measurements, such as time zero [t₀]_{abs}, control growth [Ctrl]_{abs}, and cell growth in the presence of the PhG compound [t_{24h}]_{abs} after 24 h incubation, the percentage growth was calculated at each of the compound concentrations levels. Percentage growth inhibition was calculated as:

$$[1 - ([t_{24h}]_{abs} - [t_0]_{abs})/([Ctrl]_{abs} - [t_0]_{abs})] \times 100\%.$$





































































































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