

NEW ANTI-TUMOR AGENTS: TOXIC ACTION ON LEUKEMIC CELLS



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RESEARCH AREA

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ABOUT US

The study and analysis of the effects of different antitumor compounds, from natural or synthetic origin, on the death of human leukemia cells. We analyze the induction of cytotoxic effects on tumor cells mainly leukemia cells, by antitumor compounds such as vinblastine, dequalinium, antioxidants o triterperns from plant species (i.e. mushrooms from the Ganoderma genus. We search for the mechanisms of programmed cell death as well as changes in the action of intracellular kinases subsequent to the treatment with these compounds.

RESEARCH LINES

- Role of intracellular kinases in tumor progression
- Mechanisms of antitumor action
- Toxicity and apoptosis
- Isolation and purificacion of active antitumor compounds from plant species

OFFERED SERVICES

- Analysis of cytotoxicity of natural products on cell cultures. We work mainly with APL (Acute promyelocytic leukemia) cells.
- Studies of apoptosis produced by oxidants, oxidative stress considering the changes in the levels of Reactive Oxygen Species as well as the protection by antioxidants

MARKETABLE RESULTS

