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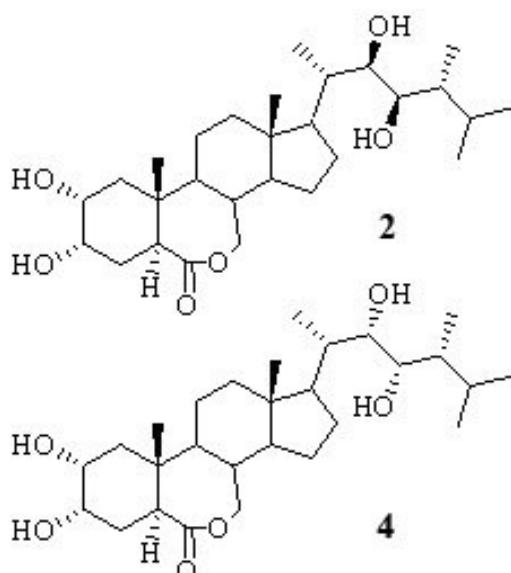
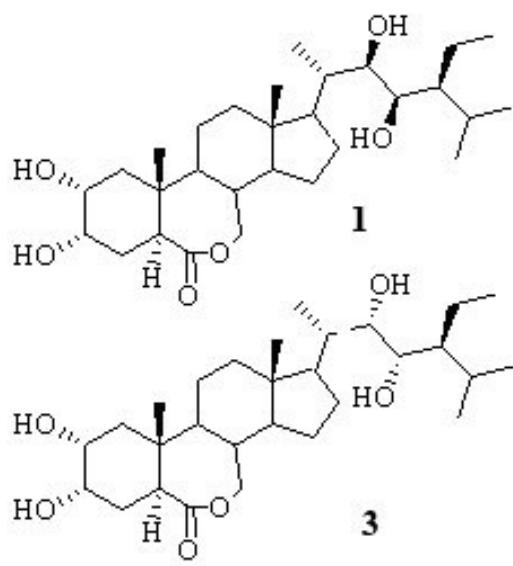
**MOLECULAR MECHANISMS OF ANTIPROLIFERATIVE, CYTOTOXIC AND ANTICANCER EFFECTS OF BRASSINOSTEROIDS**

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Brassinosteroids (BS) are group of plant hormones similar to those of animals and humans in both structure and by function: they regulate expression of genes in plants, affect the metabolic processes, cell growth and differentiation. Recently there have been reports of a potential antiproliferative and anticancer activity of brassinosteroids with very low toxicity. The mechanism of action mostly is attributed to the blockade of the cell cycle by changing the expression level of cyclin-dependent protein kinases what leads to apoptosis.

It is proved the participating of monooxygenase systems in the initiation and development of many carcinogenic processes due to the activation of endogenous and exogenous compounds, e.g. estrogen steroids and polycyclic aromatic compounds. However, very little is known about the mechanism by which BS exert their cytotoxic effects. Knowledge of the influence of these compounds on the monooxygenase systems of animal cells is likely to contribute to the explanation of the observed effects.



In this paper, we tried to evaluate the effect of brassinosteroids on monooxygenases ability to ac-

tivate procarcinogens in cell line A549 (lung cancer). Causal relationship between the development

of lung cancer and the change in the activity of cytochrome P-450 under the influence, in particular, components of tobacco smoke in no doubt. Thus, ten times the risk of lung cancer in smokers as compared to nonsmokers associated with the presence of PAHs in tobacco smoke.

To determine the contribution of monooxygenases to the carcinogenic activation we use the reaction of the epoxidation of dihydroxyderivatives of benzo[a]pyrene (B[a]P) (mainly 7,8-dihydroxydihydrobenzo[a]pyrene ( $B[a]P\text{-}7,8\text{-diol}$ )). This reaction ultimately leads to the formation of two stereoisomeric diolepoxydes, of which (+)-anti- $7\beta,8\alpha$ -dihydroxy- $9\alpha,10\alpha$ -epoxy-7,8,9,10-tetrahydrobenzo[a]pyrene ((+)-anti-BPDE) has absolute carcinogenic activity, while the other - no. Since formed diolepoxydes are un-

stable and easily hydrolyzed to the tetrol-derivatives, it is possible to determine the formation of an absolute carcinogen. We use four steroid compounds (28-homobrassinolide (1), 24-epibrassinolide (2), (22S,23S)-28-homobrassinolide (3) and (22S,23S)-24-epibrassinolide (4) that differ in ring and side chain structure.

It was shown that in the A549 cell line the metabolism of B[a]P-7,8-diol is shifted toward the formation of derivatives which indicate the formation of the obligate carcinogen (+)-anti-BPDE. Cultivating of cancer cells in the presence of brassinosteroids changes the activity of monooxygenase system in general, as can be seen on the spending of the substrate, and changes the profile tetrol-derivatives what depends on the structure of BS.

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