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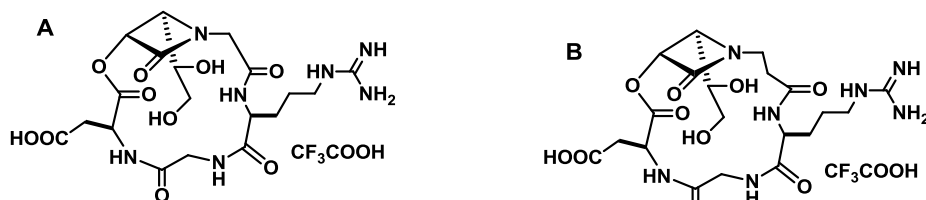
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### Depsiptides and peptide-mimetics, cyclics and acyclics, integrin $\alpha_v\beta_3$ inhibitors.

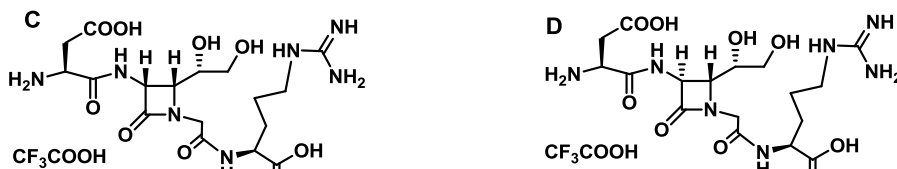
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Angiogenesis, the sprouting of new blood vessels from pre-existing vessels, is a remarkable feature of tumours growth and metastasis. The in vivo inhibition of this receptor by cyclic peptides containing RGD sequence may be used to selectively suppress these disease<sup>1</sup>. Our research group has developed a new methodology<sup>2</sup> for the evaluation of new antiangiogenic compounds, based in the genetic expression analysis using CGH array system. The RGD mimetics activity can be modified by the presence of ester-bond<sup>3</sup>. Therefore, we decided to prepare some depsipeptides analogous to the RGD- $\beta$ -lactam compounds and evaluate their activity performing a genetic expression analysis.



We also have evaluated the activity of open-chain compounds without RGD formal structure.



The cyclic depsipeptides have demonstrated a very effective inhibitory activity. In the other hand the open-chain compounds have a surprising behavior, demonstrating a similar gene activation. This way, we call into question the essential need of RGD sequence to have an interaction between ligand and the receptor of the integrin<sup>4,5</sup>.

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