

QSAR of natural sesquiterpene lactones as inhibitors of Myb-dependent gene expression

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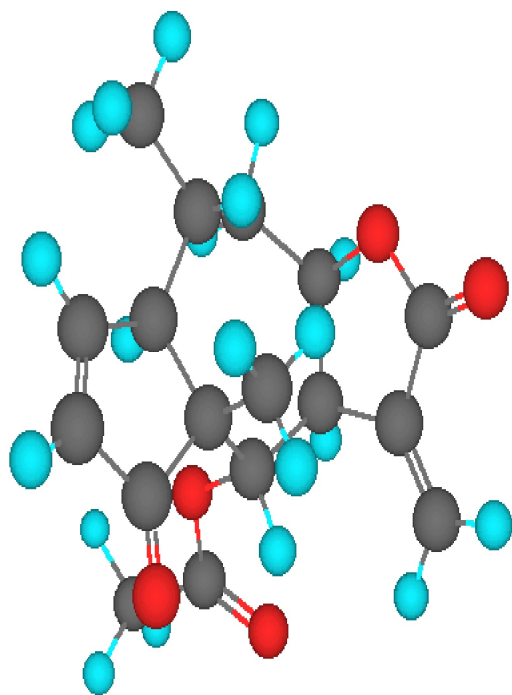
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Graphical Abstract



Abstract. Protein c-Myb is a therapeutic target. Some sesquiterpene lactones suppress Myb-dependent gene expression, which results in a mechanism for their potential anti-cancer activity. Database ChEMBL is representative of lactones for physicochemical and physiochemical properties. We studied a dataset with 31 natural lactones are discussed in terms of quantitative structure–activity relationships, which objective is to predict inhibitors of Myb-induced gene expression. Several constitutional descriptors are related to structure–activity. Coefficients standard errors result acceptable in almost all equations. After cross-validation, linear equations for lactones, pseudoguaianolides and germacranolides are the most predictive. Most descriptors are constitutional variables.