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DPAGT1 Inhibitors of Capuramycin Analogues and Their Antimigratory Activities of Solid Tumors

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Abstract

Capuramycin displays narrow spectrum of antibacterial activity by targeting bacterial translocase I (MraY). In our program of development of new *N*-acetylglucosaminephosphotransferase1 (DPAGT1) inhibitor, we have identified that a capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamide analogue (CPPB) inhibits DPAGT1 enzyme with an IC₅₀ value of 200 nM. Despite a strong DPAGT1 inhibitory activity, CPPB does not show cytotoxicity against normal cells and a series of cancer cell lines. However, CPPB inhibits migrations of several solid cancers including pancreatic cancers that require high DPAGT1 expression in order for tumor progression. DPAGT1 inhibition by CPPB leads to a reduced expression level of Snail, but does not reduce E-cadherin expression level at the IC₅₀ (DPAGT1) concentration. CPPB displays a strong synergistic effect with paclitaxel against growth-inhibitory action of a patient-derived pancreatic adenocarcinoma, PD002: paclitaxel (IC₅₀ 1.25 μ M) inhibits growth of PD002 at 0.0024–0.16 μ M in combination with 0.10–2.0 μ M of CPPB (IC₅₀ 35 μ M).

Graphical Abstract

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This article is dedicated to the memory of Dr. Isao Kitagawa, Professor Emeritus of Pharmaceutical sciences at Osaka University, an inspirational scientist.

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INTRODUCTION

Capuramycin (CAP (1), Figure 1) is a nucleoside antibiotic, which has a narrow-spectrum of activity against Gram-positive bacteria including Mycobacterium tuberculosis (Mtb).¹⁻³ To date, medicinal chemistry efforts on capuramycin have been focused on developing a new TB drug; new capuramycin analogues have been synthesized to improve bacterial phospho-MurNAc-pentapeptide translocase I (MraY and MurX for Mycobacterium spp.) enzyme as well as antimycobacterial activities.^{1,4,5} Somewhat recently, the anti-*Clostridioides difficile* (formerly *Clostridium difficile*) activity of a capuramycin analogue has been reported.⁶ Capuramycin is a specific inhibitor of MraY with the IC_{50} value of 0.13 μ M,⁷ however, some other nucleoside antibiotics (e.g., muraymycin A1 and tunicamycins) display activity against MraY, WecA (polyprenyl phosphate-GlcNAc-1-phosphate transferase), and its human homologue, DPAGT1 (N-acetylglucosaminephosphotransferase1)-type phosphotransferases.^{8–14} MraY is an essential enzyme for growth of the vast majority of bacteria that catalyzes the transformation from UDP-MurNAc-pentapeptide (Park's nucleotide) to prenyl-MurNAc-pentapeptide (lipid I).¹⁵ WecA catalyzes the transformation from UDP-GlcNAc to decaprenyl-P-P-GlcNAc, the first membrane-anchored glycophospholipid that is responsible for the biosynthesis of mycolylarabinogalactan in Mycobacterium tuberculosis (Mtb). WecA is an essential enzyme for the growth of Mtb and some other bacteria. Biochemical studies of WecA enzyme are hampered by lack of selective inhibitor molecules.⁹ Tunicamycin shows inhibitory activity against these phosphotransferases with the IC₅₀ values of 2.9 µM (MraY/MurX), 0.15 µM (WecA), and 1.5 µM (DPAGT1).9,10 CPZEN-45, an antimycobacterial MraY inhibitor, was reported to exhibit WecA inhibitory activity (IC₅₀ ~0.084 μ M).¹⁶ We showed that 2'*O*-methyl capuramycin (OM-CAP (2), formerly UT-01320, Figure 1) does not exhibit MraY/MurX inhibitory activity, but displays a strong WecA inhibitory activity (IC₅₀ 0.060 µM).^{1,9} In vitro cytotoxicity of tunicamycin has been documented in a number of articles.¹⁷ Acute toxicity of tunicamycin due to its narrow therapeutic window (LD₅₀: 2.0 mg/kg, LD₁₀₀: 3.5 mg/kg mice, IP) discourages scientists from developing tunicamycin for new antibacterial,

antifungal, or anti-cancer agents.^{18,19} A large number of scientists believe that cytotoxicity of tunicamycin is attributable to its interaction with DPAGT1, which catalyzes the first and rate limiting step in the dolichol-linked oligosaccharide pathway in N-linked glycoprotein biosynthesis (Figure 2).^{10,12} In contrast, OM-CAP (2) possesses the same level of DPAGT1 inhibitory activity (IC₅₀ 4.5 μ M) to tunicamycins (IC₅₀ 1.5 μ M), but it does not show cytotoxicity against healthy cells (e.g., Vero and HPNE cells) at 50 µM and some cancer cell lines (e.g., L1210, KB, AsPC-1, PANC-1, LoVo, SK-OV-3) at 10 µM. A sharp difference in the cytotoxicity profiles between tunicamycins (11, Figure 1) and OM-CAP (2) raises the question of whether selective inhibition of DPAGT1 enzyme function in certain cells/organs by small molecules does not cause unacceptable level of toxicity against human during chemotherapy. We have recently engineered the structure of muraymycin to yield strong DPAGT1 inhibitors; one of these analogues, APPB (12, Figure 1), showed a promising antiproliferative effect on a series of solid cancer cell lines that required overexpression of the *DPAGT1* gene in their growth and cancer progression.^{11,13,14} The design of APPB was originated from the discovery of DPAGT1 inhibitors of capuramycin analogues. In this article, we report structure-activity relationship (SAR) studies of capuramycin to identify novel DPAGT1 inhibitors, and in vitro anti-invasion and anti-metastasis activity of a new capuramycin analogue DPAGT1 inhibitor, CPPB (capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamide analogue, 5) (Figure 1). A unique synergistic effect was observed against a patient-derived pancreatic adenocarcinoma, PD002 in a combination of CPPB with paclitaxel. We demonstrated key interactions of CPPB with DPAGT1 via molecular docking studies. Lastly, we report a semi-synthetic method to deliver enough CPPB for future in vivo studies.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Chemistry and Structure activity relationship (SAR).

Sankyo (currently Daiichi-Sankyo) and Sequella have reported several capuramycin (CAP, 1) analogues that have improved MraY enzyme and bacterial growth inhibitory activities. ^{2,3,5,20} Their SAR studies rely on a capuramycin biosynthetic intermediate, A-500359E, which allows delivery of novel amide molecules (R_1 group) having an ester (R_2) functional group (Figure 3). The capuramycin analogue, SQ992, has an interesting antibacterial characteristic with antimycobacterial activity in vivo.²¹ We have accomplished a total chemical synthesis of capuramycin and its analogues.^{22,} To date, we have identified an novel analogue possessing improved MraY inhibitory activity, Cap-3-amino-1,4benzodiazepine-2-one analogue,²³ and a selective WecA inhibitor, OM-Cap (2), via our total synthetic approach (Figure 3).^{1,9} Since our first report on a total synthesis of capuramycin, a few improvements of the synthetic scheme have been made: we introduced acid-cleavable protecting groups for the uridine ureido nitrogen (3-postion in a) and primary alcohol (6"position in c) (Scheme 1).²³ The MDPM and MTPM groups can simultaneously be removed with 30% TFA to form the key synthetic intermediate A for capuramycin. In our on-going SAR of capuramycin, commercially available protecting groups (BOM and chloroacetyl groups) for the ureido nitrogen (3-position) and C6"-alcohol were decided to apply in our SAR tactics. Success of hydrogenolytic cleavage of the BOM group and tolerability of the chloroacetyl group were difficult to predict in capuramycin synthesis. To establish the new

protecting group strategy, we first demonstrated the synthesis of *iso*-capuramycin (I-Cap) (Scheme 2A). Syntheses of all building blocks and the experimental procedures for their synthetic steps in Scheme 2 and 3 are summarized in Supporting Information (SI). Highlights of syntheses of new capuramycin analogues are illustrated in Scheme 2 and 3. The (S)-cyanohydrin 13 was subjected to NIS-AgBF₄ promoted α -selective mannosylation with the thioglycoside 14 to yield the α -mannosylated cyanohydrin 15 in 78% yield.²² The cyano group of 15 was hydrated using HgCl₂-aldoxime in aq. EtOH, and the BOM and chloroacetyl groups of the generated amide were deprotected stepwisely: dechloroacetylation with thiourea followed by hydrogenation with 10% Pd-C in AcOH-ⁱPrOH-THF provided the C6"-free alcohol **16** in 53% overall yield. Oxidation-elimination reaction of 16 with SO₃•pyridine in a solvent system (CH₂Cl₂/Et₃N/DMSO = 10/2/1) provided the α , β unsaturated aldehyde 17 in quantitative yield (determined by ¹H NMR analysis). After all volatiles were removed, the aldehyde 17 was oxidized to the corresponding carboxylic acid 18 by using NaClO₂ in the presence of NaH₂PO₄ and 2methyl-2-butene.²⁴ The resulting carboxylic acid **18** was coupled with (2S)aminocaprolactam by using a standard peptide-forming reaction condition (HOBt, EDCI, and NMM) to yield the coupling product 19 in 70% overall yield from 16. Saponification of 19 by using Et₃N in MeOH provided I-Cap (3) in quantitative yield. Similarly, dimethylcapuramycin (DM-CAP) was synthesized in 31% overall yield from the cyanohydrinacetonide 20. CAP (1) and its three analogues, OM-CAP (2), I-CAP (3), and DM-CAP (4) were evaluated in enzyme inhibitory assays against bacterial phosphotransferases, MraY and WecA, and archaeal and human dolichyl-phosphate GlcNAc-1-phosphotransferases, AglH and DPAGT1.^{7,9,11} CAP is a selective MraY inhibitor that does not display inhibitory activity against WecA, AglH, and DPAGT1 (Table 1). Previously, OM-CAP (2) was identified as a selective WecA inhibitor (IC₅₀ 0.060μ M) that does not possess MraY inhibitory activity (IC₅₀ >50 μ M (entry 2 in Table 1).⁹ In this program, it was realized that OM-CAP (2) has inhibitory activity against AgIH and DPAGT1 with the IC₅₀ values of 2.5 and 4.5 μ M, respectively (entry 2). I-CAP (3) showed enzyme inhibitory activity against MraY, WecA, AglH, and DPAGT1 with the IC₅₀ between 8.5-30 µM concentrations (entry 3). On the contrary, DM-CAP (4) showed only a weak WecA inhibitory activity (IC_{50} 35.0 µM) (entry 4). In recent reports on co-crystal structures of DAPGT1 with tunicamycin (PDB: 505E and 6BW6), the fatty acid chain of tunicamycin is occupied in the hydrophobic tunnel (the proposed dolichol-phosphate (Dol-P) binding site).^{25,26} We speculated that introduction of pharmacologically amenable hydrophobic groups that occupy the proposed Dol-P binding site is essential to exhibit strong DPAGT1 inhibitory activity. In virtual screening of a hydrophobic group (excluding fatty acids) using the structure of DPAGT1 with bound tunicamycin (PDB: 6BW6), an analogue (e.g., (((trifluoromethoxy)phenoxy)piperidinyl)benzylamide) of (((trifluoromethoxy)phenoxy)piperidin-1-yl)phenol group (*i.e.* 34 in Scheme 3) found in a new anti-TB drug, delamanid,^{27,28} was suggested to be a reasonable fatty acid surrogate, whose capuramycin derivatives (capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamide (CPPB, 5), iso-capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamide (I-CPPB, 6), O-methyl capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamide (OM-CPPB, 7), demethyl capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamide (DM-CPPB, 8), capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamine (CPPA, 9), and iso-capuramycin

phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamine (I-CPPA, **10**)) could bind to DPAGT1 with high affinity. However, the docking program used in these studies is not able to distinguish between lowand high-binding molecules: all (((trifluoromethoxy)phenoxy)piperidin-1yl)phenyl)methanamino derivatives provided "good" GlideScores of between -12.9~-16.6 (see Table S1 in SI). Therefore, we decided to synthesize all analogues (CPPB, I-CPPB, OM-CPPB, DM-CPPB, CPPA, and I-CPPA) identified in the virtual screening and evaluate their phosphotransferase inhibitory activity.

The carboxylic acid intermediate 32 for CAP (1) was subjected to peptide coupling reaction with (((trifluoromethoxy)phenoxy)piperidin-1-yl)phenyl)methylamine (34), providing the protected CPPB, 37. Saponification of 37 and purification by reverse HPLC yielded CPPB (5) in 95% overall yield from 37. Similarly, I-CPPB (6), OM-CPPB (7), and DM-CPPB (8) were synthesized from the mannuronic acid derivatives 18, 33, and 31 in 24–34% overall yield (Scheme 3A). Capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamine analogues, CPPA (9) and I-CPPA (10), were synthesized via reductive aminations of the aldehydes 29 and 17 with the amine 34, furnishing the desired products in 63–65% overall yield from 26 and 16 after saponification. MraY, WecA, AglH, and DPAGT1 enzyme inhibitory activity assays for the six (((trifluoromethoxy)phenoxy)piperidin-1-yl)phenyl)methylamine analogues revealed that CPPB (5) and I-CPPB (6) are high nM range DPAGT1 inhibitors (entries 5 and 6 in Table 1), however, the O-methylation and demethylation analogues (OM-CPPB (7) and DM-CPPB (8)) turned out to be very low- or no-DPAGT1 inhibitor (entries 7 and 8). The secondary amine analogues, CPPA (9) and I-CPPA (10), did not inhibit all phosphotransferases tested in Table 1 at 50 µM concentration (entries 9 and 10). CPPB was determined to be three times stronger DAPGT1 inhibitor (IC₅₀ 0.20 μ M) than I-CPPB (entry 5 vs. 6). I-CPPB did not display MraY inhibitory activity, but showed a very weak WecA and AgIH enzyme inhibitory activity (entry 6). Interestingly, difference in these phosphotransferase inhibitory profiles between CPPB and I-CPPB correlate with their antimycobacterial activity: CPPB possessing MraY/WecA inhibitory activity killed Myocobacterium tuberculosis H₃₇Rv, Mycobacterium avium 2285, Mycobacterium smegmatis (ATCC607) with the MIC values 6.25–12.5 µg/mL. In contrast, I-CPPB, which does not have MraY inhibitory activity, did not show growth inhibitory activity against these *Mycobacterium* spp. at 50 µg/mL.

Cytotoxicity of new capuramycin analogues, CPPB (5) and I-CPPB (6).

In the capuramycin analogue series, the degree of MraY inhibitory activity correlates with their antimycobaterial activity.^{7–9,13} Antimycobacterial capuramycin analogues display low *in vitro* cytotoxicity against mammalian cells, and have been recognized as safe drug leads that have acceptable tolerability in animal models.^{2,3} The toxicity of tunicamycin (**11**, Figure 1) has been studied extensively *in vitro*: tunicamycin inhibits growth in many cancer cell lines without selectivity, and has a narrow therapeutic window demonstrated in *in vivo* studies using mice.^{18,29} The toxicity of tunicamycin is believed to be attributable to its ability to inhibit DPAGT1 enzyme function.^{10,30} However, in our studies, tunicamycin's toxicity could not be explained solely by its inhibition of DPAGT1. Our DPAGT1 inhibitor, APPB (**12**, Figure 1) inhibits DPAGT1 with greater than 30-times the inhibitory activity of tunicamycin, and inhibits growth of selected solid cancer cell lines at low μ M concentrations with selective cytotoxicity (IC₅₀ normal cells / cancer cells) of >35.¹⁰ The LD₅₀ value of

APPB is >20 mg/kg (mouse), whereas it is 2.0 mg/kg (mouse) for tunicamycin.^{10,18} Capuramycin-based DPAGT1 inhibitors, CPPB (5) and I-CPPB (6), identified in this program inhibited DPAGT1 enzyme with the IC₅₀ values of 0.2 and 0.6 μ M, respectively. Unlike the MraY-antimycobacterial activity relationship observed for CAP analogues, the DPAGT1 inhibitors, CPPB and I-CPPB, did not show antiproliferative activity against L1210 (a leukemia cell), HPNE (a normal pancreatic ductal cell), and Vero (a normal kidney cell) at 50 μ M. They showed various levels of growth inhibitory activity against several solid cancer cell lines such as KB (HeLa, a cervix carcinoma), SiHa (a cervical squamous cell carcinoma), HCT-116 (a colorectal adenocarcinoma), DLP-1 (a colorectal adenocarcinoma), Capan-1 (a pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma), PANC-1 (a pancreatic ductal carcinoma), AsPC-1 (a pancreatic adenocarcinoma), PD002 (a patient-derived pancreatic adenocarcinoma) in MTT assays (IC₅₀ 15–45 μ M, Table 2). A lower DPAGT1 inhibitor, tunicamycin (11), showed growth inhibition of all cell lines in Table 2 with the IC_{50} values of 0.78–7.5 µM concentrations (entry 5 in Table 2). Cellular behavior and morphological changes of a patient-derived metastatic pancreatic adenocarcinoma, PD002 treated with CPPB were monitored over time via IncuCyte® live cell analysis imaging system (Figure 4A). Interestingly, 10-13% of phase area confluent of PD002 culture (time 0h) remained the same after 72h for the CPPB-treated cells (50 μ M), whereas, ca. 70% of confluence was reached for the control PD002 culture (PBS) (Figure 4B vs.4C). Although morphological changes were subtle over time (0-72h), cell viability assessed by the MTT reduction assay revealed that PD002 cells treated with CPPB (50 µM) was significantly decreased (Table 2). Exposure of CPPB (0.2-20 µM) inhibited cell proliferation of PD002: ca. 20% of cell proliferation was inhibited at time 72h. These results may indicate that DPAGT1 inhibitors may have cytostatic effect again certain cancerous tumors that require DPAGT1 overexpression for their growth.

Cell migratory inhibition by CPPB (5).

DPAGT1 catalyzes the first step in *N*-glycan biosynthesis of mammalian cells (Figure 2). Aberrant N-glycosylation is common in many solid cancers and important for the epithelial to mesenchymal transition program (EMT, a mechanism of metastases).¹⁰ We found high levels of DPAGT1 protein expression in a series of pancreatic cancers (e.g., PANC-1, Capan-1, and AsPC-1). Dysregulation of DPAGT1 enzyme leads to disturbances in cell-cell adhesions and may increase epithelial to mesenchymal transition (EMT): these processes increase migratory and invasive capabilities of malignant neoplasms that are the initiation of metastasis in cancer progression, especially pancreatic cancer.^{31,32} Interestingly, there is significant crosstalk between DPAGT1 and the Wnt/β-catenin and Snail pathway where DPAGT1 overexpression leads to 1) accumulation of β -catenin in the cytoplasm and then translocation into the nucleus, and 2) reduction of the Snail expression levels, preventing epithelial-mesenchymal transition by suppressing the E-cadherin expression (a cell-cell adhesion glycoprotein).^{10,31,32} As such, aberrations in these pathways occur in numerous cancers, thus, discovery of small molecules directed towards inhibition of the Wnt and Snail pathways represents an important area of anticancer therapeutics.^{33–35} In order to obtain insights into anti-metastatic ability of DPAGT1 inhibitors, we explored the degree of cell migration in several commercially available cell lines (Capan-1, PANC-1, and AsPC-1), a patient-derived pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma cell line (PD002), a cervical carcinoma

(SiHa), and a colorectal adenocarcinoma (HCT-116) to determine the effects on cellular motility. After 24h of three treatment doses $(0.05, 0.1, \text{ and } 0.2 \,\mu\text{M})$ with CPPB (5), inhibition of migration (closing the gap) was measured in a scratch assay (wound healing assay).³⁶ Only the images for PD002 are shown in Figure 5 and all other images obtained through these experiments are illustrated in Supporting Information (SI). The pancreatic cancer cell lines treated with CPPB migrated far less than the PBS treated (control) cells (Figure 5A–D). In these assays, the wound-healing rate of the untreated PD002 cells was 63% in 24h. In sharp contrast, CPPB treated cells inhibited the wound-healing effectively at its IC₅₀ level against DPAGT1 (0.2 μ M): the wound-healing rate was approximately 20% (Figure 5B). We thoroughly evaluated migration inhibition ability of CPPB compared to gemcitabine, one of the main chemotherapy drugs used to treat pancreatic cancer, and tunicamycin using PD002 cells. Gemcitabine shows a wound-healing rate of 43% at 0.2 µM, and tunicamycin shows 35% at 0.2 μ M (SI). Thus, it was concluded that CPPB is more effective in inhibiting cancer cell migration than gemcitabine and tunicamycin. These trends were further confirmed by an endpoint migration assays via Boyden chambers for PD002.^{37,38} In these assays, the cell migrations of PD002 treated with CPPB (0.1 μ M) were inhibited on a higher level compared to those with tunicamycin and gemcitabine at the same concentration $(0.1 \,\mu\text{M})$ (Figure 6).

Inhibition of a zinc-finger transcription factor, Snail1 (Snail) in the selected cancer cell lines by CPPB.

Snail protein is one of the most important transcription factor that induces epithelial to mesenchymal transition (EMT), which converts epithelial cells into migratory mesenchymal cells that are more efficient at metastasizing.³⁹ EMT induced by overexpression of Snail produces cancer stem-like properties in a number of solid organ cancers. Aberrant expression of Snail leads to loss of expression of E-cadherin.⁴⁰ Thus, suppression of Snail expression or inhibition of Snail functions represents a potent targeted therapeutic strategy for many cancers.^{41,42}

Immunofluorescence assays using an anti-Snail antibody revealed that the fluorescence intensity of Snail was strong in a series of pancreatic cancer cells (PANC-1, AsPC-1, Capan-1, and PD002), and the expression of Snail was decreased by the treatment with CPPB in a concentration dependent manner. Among pancreatic cancer cell lines, only the data for PD002 and PANC-1 are shown in Figure 7A and 7B (see SI for AsPC-1 and Capan-1). The Snail expression level of a non-metastatic pancreatic cancer, PANC-1, was much lower than metastatic pancreatic cancers (e.g., PD002 and Capan-1). A few other types of cancer cells such as a colorectal cancer (HCT-116) and a cervical cancer (SiHa) were examined by similarly designed immunofluorescence assays or Western blot assays (Figures 7C and 7D). The Snail expression in SiHa was inhibited by treatment of CPPB in a concentration dependent manner; at the IC₅₀ concentration (0.2 µM against DPAGT1), CPPB effectively inhibited the Snail expression (Figure 7D). In contrast, the Snail expression level in HCT-116 was not noticeably changed by the treatment of CPPB between 0.05 and 2.0 µM concentrations. Interestingly, cell migration of HCT-116 was not inhibited by CPPB demonstrated in the wound healing (scratch) assays (Figure 5F). At the concentrations tested in the scratch assays (0.05–2.0 µM), the E-Cadherin expression levels

of PD002, PANC-1, and HCT-116 were not changed significantly (Figure 8). To support the above discussion based on the immunefluorescent staining (Figure 7 and 8), the relative expression levels of Snail and E-cadherin in PD002, PANC-1, and HCT-116 treated with CPPB were measured by Western blot analyses (Figure 9). The relative expression levels were obtained by using Image StudioTM Lite quantification software, and these quantified data were summarized in SI (see Figure S5). PD002 and PANC-1 treated with CPPB (0 to 2.0 μ M) lead to a dose dependent decrease in Snail. The E-Cadherin expression level of a metastatic pancreatic cancer, PD002 was increased in a CPPB concentration depended manner (0 to 2.0 μ M), whereas, a non-metastatic pancreatic cancer, PANC-1 exhibited the same expression level of E-Cadherin at 0–2.0 μ M concentrations of CPPB (Figure 9A and 9B). A low DPAGT1 expressed-colon cancer, HCT-116 did not display noticeable difference in the expression levels of Snail and E-Cadherin at 0–2.0 μ M CPPB concentrations (Figure 9C).

Inhibition of DPAGT1 by CPPB.

CPPB decreased the DPAGT1 expression level in all pancreatic cancer cell lines examined in Figure 5: the DPAGT1 expression was apparently inhibited by the IC_{50} concentration of CPPB (0.2 µM) (only the data for PD002 and PANC-1 shown Figure 10 and see Figure S4 in SI) for AsPC-1 and Capan-1). An important observation is that the DPAGT1 expression of the pancreatic cancer cell lines could not completely be inhibited at a high concentration of CPPB (2–20 μ M) (Figures 9 and 10). In MTT assays, we realized that all pancreatic cancers tested remained viable at 20 µM concentration of CPPB (Table 2). We confirmed that the DPAGT1 expression level in a colorectal adenocarcinoma, HCT-116 is significantly lower than that in the pancreatic cancer cell lines (PD002 and PANC-1); DPAGT1 was not detectable in Western blot assays for the lysate obtained by a standard protocol (50 µg/30 µL of total protein sample). A 10 times concentrated HCT-116 cell lysate (prepared by ultracentrifugation, 130,000xg for 1h) enabled us to detect DPAGT1 in Western blotting. By treatment of HCT-116 with CPPB at 0.1-20 µM concentration, the DPAGT1 expression levels of HCT-116 remained higher fluorescence intensity in immunefluorescent assay (Figure 10C) and 20–90% in Western blot assays (Figure 9C). These data imply that the inhibitory effect of CPPB on cell migration varies depending on degree of inhibition of the DPAGT1 expression: immunefluorescent assays at 0.2–2.0 µM concentrations of CPPB, the degree of DPAGT1 expression was decreased by the following order: PANC-1 > PD002 >>> HCT-116. Migration inhibition observed in the scratched assays (Figure 5) is well-correlated with the degree of the DPAGT1 expression inhibition. Although CPPB decreased the protein expression of DPAGT1 without significantly decreasing its gene (DPAGT1) expression, tunicamycin decreased both the gene expression of DPAGT1 and DPAGT1 protein expression (Figure 11). These down-regulation in DPAGT1 gene expression by tunicamycin may be attributable to its high cytotoxicity against mammalian cells without selectivity.

Synergistic effect of CPPB with paclitaxel.

The FOLFIRINOX (a combination of folinic acid, 5-fluorouracil, irinotecan, and oxaliplatin) and nab-paclitaxel (albumin-bound paclitaxel)-gemcitabine regimens have been adopted into clinical practice for patients with metastatic pancreatic cancers.⁴³ Median progression-free survival was reported in one study of patients with metastatic pancreatic

cancer to be 6.4 months in the FOLFIRINOX group and 3.3 months in the gemcitabine group.^{43,44} Over the past years, the clinical data have not supported that FOLFIRINOX is associated with any better (or worse) survival rates compared to the nab-paclitaxel-gemcitabine regimen as there have been no head-to-head trials.⁴⁵ However, the inclusion of paclitaxel and its derivatives in combination regimens remains an important therapeutic strategy in pancreatic cancer chemotherapy since nab-paclitaxel-gemcitabine is associated with less adverse effects (toxicity in patients) than FOLFIRINOX.⁴⁶ In this regard, we were very interested in synergistic or additive effects of DPAGT1 inhibitor in combination with paclitaxel. The synergistic or antagonistic activities of CPPB were assessed *in vitro* via checkerboard technique.^{47,48} In these experiments, CPPB displayed strong synergistic effects with paclitaxel in a wide range of concentrations against PD002. Table 3 summarizes the results of FIC index analyses for selected combination (Σ FIC<0.5). The FIC index below 0.50 was observed for 20 combinations of two molecules out of 96 different

concentrations (see Figure S6 in SI). The IC₅₀ value of paclitaxel against PD002 was

lowered (0.024–0.61 µM) in combination with CPPB (0.1–2.0 µM).

Interaction of CPPB with DPAGT1 (Modeling Studies).

DPAGT1 encompasses ten transmembrane segments, three loops on the ER (endoplasmic reticulum) side, and five loops on the cytoplasmic side. Four loops (CL-1, CL-5, CL-7, and CL-9) on the cytoplasmic side form the UDP-GlcNAc-binding domain.^{25,26} The hydrophobic tunnel created by the transmembrane segments (TM-4, TM-5 and CL-9) within the lipid bilayer is predicted to interact with dolychol-phosphate (Dol-P). The weak DPAGT1 inhibitors, O-methyl capuramycin (OM-CAP) and iso-capuramycin (I-CAP) (Table 1), yielded low docking scores (Glide Scores) using Schrödinger's Glide program: the score for OM-CAP was -12.4 and for I-CAP was -10.9. These scores predicted that OM-CAP and I-CAP possess significantly lower affinity for DPAGT1 than CPPB, which showed a docking score of -16.6 (see Table S1 in SI).⁴⁹⁻⁵¹ The docked CPPB-DPAGT1 structure illustrated in Figure 12 shows several key interactions. The C2'-OH acts as a donor in a hydrogen bond to the Glu56 carboxylate. This interaction is likely be lost when the C2'-OH is methylated. Pi-stacking interactions are observed between 1) Phe249 and the uracil ring, and 2) Trp122 and the trifluoromethoxybenzene in the hydrophobic moiety. Asn185 and Ash252 (protonated Asp) form hydrogen-bond(s) to the primary amide and the dihydropyran-hydroxy (C3"-OH) group, respectively. Additional hydrogen-bonds between the uridine ureido group and the backbone amides (Gln44 and Leu46) strengthen the ligand interaction. In this program, capuramycin (CAP), a strong MraY inhibitor with no DPAGT1 inhibitory activity, was successfully engineered to be a relatively strong DPAGT1 inhibitor by introducing a hydrophobic functional group, (((trifluoromethoxy)phenoxy) piperidin-1yl)phenyl)methylamine at the C6"-position. This hydrophobic group allows the preferable conformation of the uridine-enopyranosiduronic moiety in the DPAGT1 biding domain, resulting in increased interactions with Asn185, Ash252, Glu56, and Phe249.

A semi-synthesis of CPPB from A500359F.

Pharmacological studies of CPPB (**5**) and its related analogues using appropriate animal models will be a focus of our future research efforts. Previously, a natural product

A-5003659E was used to develop novel capuramycin analogues with strong MraY inhibitory activity (Hotoda et. al. 2003) (Figure 3).⁵² Its free-carboxylic acid analogue, A-500359F was also isolated from the capuramycin-producing strain, *Streptomyces griseus* Sank 60196. Saponification of A-5003659E to A-500359F was established by the Sankyo group.²⁰ Although, the currently available synthetic schemes for capuramycin analogues (*e.g.*, Scheme 3) include a relatively short number of chemical steps,^{22,23,53} a semi-synthetic approach is more feasible to deliver a large quantities of CPPB for pharmacological studies. To establish semi-synthesis of CPPB, A-500359F was first synthesized from the CAP-synthetic intermediate **32** (Scheme 3A) in a single step. Amide-forming reaction of synthetic A-500359F with (((trifluoromethoxy)phenoxy) piperidin-1-yl)phenyl)methylamine (**34**) was performed under an optimized condition using EDCI, glyceroacetonide-Oxyma, and NMM in DMF.⁵⁴ All coupling reagents could be removed by partitions between CHCl₃ and water and evaporation. The crude product was passed through DOWEX 50Wx4 column (MeOH : NH₄OH = 4 : 1) to provide CPPB with >95% purity, which was further purified by C₁₈-reverse HPLC (MeOH : H₂O = 65 : 35) to yield pure CPPB (Scheme 4).

CONCLUSION

This paper describes the identification of a new DPAGT1 inhibitor of capuramycin analogue, capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamide (CPPB, 5) and its isostere I-CPPB (6). Previously, tunicamycin is the only DPAGT1 inhibitor that has been widely applied to the studies associated with protein misfolding in vitro.55,56 Tunicamycin displays cytotoxicity against cancer and healthy cells with low selectivity ratio.¹⁰ One of cytotoxicity mechanisms of tunicamycin is believed to be its ability to inhibit DPAGT1 enzyme functions. The DPAGT1 expression levels vary depending on the cell types; renal cancers and lymphomas express low-levels of DPAGT1, whereas, a majority of solid cancers express high-levels.⁵⁷ Thus, the observed antiproliferative activity of tunicamycin against all types of cancer cells are difficult to understand solely by its DPAGT1 inhibitory activity. In our studies, CPPB showed ~7.5 times stronger DPAGT1 inhibitory activity than tunicamycin. However, unlike tunicamycin, CPPB did not inhibit growth of cancer cell lines at the IC50 values observed for tunicamycin ($0.45 - 7.5 \mu$ M). CPPB is a cell-permeable molecule which was demonstrated by IncuCyte® live cell analyses and immunofluorescence assays. In this article, we have studied effectiveness of CPPB on the expression levels of Snail, E-cadherin, and DPAGT1 primary in pancreatic cancers (Figures 7-10). CPPB decreased the Snail expression in commercially available pancreatic cancer cell lines (PANC-1, AsPC-1, and Capan-1) and a patient-derived pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma cell line (PD002) in a dose dependent manner. On the other hand, the E-cadherin expression level was increased in PD002 (a metastatic pancreatic cancer cell) or was not noticeably changed in PANC-1 at between 0.05–0.2 µM of CPPB. These biochemical data may support that a selective DPAGT1 inhibitor, CPPB is effective in inhibiting metastasis spread of the pancreatic cancer cells observed in scratch and transwell assays (Figures 5 and 6). Other than pancreatic cancers, a lower DPAGT1 expression cell, a colorectal adenocarcinoma (HCT-116) and a higher DPAGT1 expression cell, a cervical carcinoma (SiHa) were examined. CPPB did not inhibit migration of HCT-116, but strongly inhibited migration of SiHa in scratch assays at 0.2 µM (IC_{50} concentration against DPAGT1). These observations were supported by the

biochemical analyses of the Snail and E-cadherin expression levels. Snail plays an important role in cancer progression. The accumulated evidences on Snail indicate that over-expression of Snail promotes drug resistance, tumor recurrence and metastasis.⁴⁰ Although, only limited data have been generated in this article, CPPB's Snail inhibitory activity observed in pancreatic and a several high DPAGT1-expressed cell lines suggests that selective DPAGT1 inhibitors have the potential to develop into less toxic anticancer therapeutics than anticancer drugs that are cytotoxic to all dividing cells in the body. CPPB is not cytotoxic against a series of cancer and healthy cell lines at 10 μ M or higher concentrations. However, it showed a cytostatic activity against pancreatic cancers and a strong synergistic effect with paclitaxel; cytotoxic activity of paclitaxel was improved over 250-times against PD002 in combination with CPPB (0.2–2.0 µM). Docking studies of CPPB with the available DPAGT1 crystal structures provided insight into unique interactions, and thus, structure-based molecule design may be a fruitful approach to improve CPPB's DPAGT1 affinity. A collaboration with Daiichi-Sankyo is essential to efficiently produce CPPB for in vivo studies using largeanimal models such as dogs, pigs, and monkeys. We have demonstrated a semi-synthesis of CPPB from a capuramycin biosynthetic intermediate, A-500359F, that will secure a production of large amount of CPPB (Scheme 4). Our total synthetic scheme is amenable to produce gram-quantity of CPPB (Scheme 3). Extensive synergistic, toxicity, and pharmacokinetic studies of CPPB will be performed using preclinical animal models, and these data including detailed evaluation on in vivo efficacy against pancreatic and cervical cancers will be reported elsewhere.

EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

Chemistry. General Information.

All chemicals were purchased from commercial sources and used without further purification unless otherwise noted. THF, CH₂Cl₂, and DMF were purified via Innovative Technology's Pure-Solve System. All reactions were performed under an Argon atmosphere. All stirring was performed with an internal magnetic stirrer. Reactions were monitored by TLC using 0.25 mm coated commercial silica gel plates (EMD, Silica Gel 60F₂₅₄). TLC spots were visualized by UV light at 254 nm, or developed with ceric ammonium molybdate or anisaldehyde or copper sulfate or ninhydrin solutions by heating on a hot plate. Reactions were also monitored by using SHIMADZU LCMS-2020 with solvents: A: 0.1% formic acid in water, B: acetonitrile. Flash chromatography was performed with SiliCycle silica gel (Purasil 60 Å, 230–400 Mesh). Proton magnetic resonance (¹H-NMR) spectral data were recorded on 400, and 500 MHz instruments. Carbon magnetic resonance (¹³C-NMR) spectral data were recorded on 100 and 125 MHz instruments. For all NMR spectra, chemical shifts (δH , δC) were quoted in parts per million (ppm), and J values were quoted in Hz. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were calibrated with residual undeuterated solvent (CDCl₃: δH = 7.26 ppm, δC = 77.16 ppm; CD₃CN: δH = 1.94 ppm, δC = 1.32ppm; CD₃OD: δH =3.31 ppm, δC =49.00 ppm; DMSO-d₆: δH = 2.50 ppm, δC = 39.52 ppm; D₂O: δH = 4.79 ppm) as an internal reference. The following abbreviations were used to designate the multiplicities: s = singlet, d = doublet, dd = double doublets, t = triplet, q = quartet, quin =quintet, hept = heptet, m = multiplet, br = broad. Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer FT1600 spectrometer. HPLC analyses were performed with a Shimadzu

LC-20AD HPLC system. HR-MS data were obtained from a Waters Synapt G2-Si (ion mobility mass spectrometer with nanoelectrospray ionization). All assayed compounds were purified by reverse HPLC to be 95% purity.

(2S,3S,4S,5R,6R)-2-((1S)-((2R,5R)-3-Acetoxy-5-(3-((benzyloxy)methyl)-2,4-dioxo-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-1(2*H*)-yl)-4-methoxytetrahydrofuran-2-yl)(cyano)methoxy)-6-((2-chloroacetoxy)methyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-3,4,5-triyl triacetate (15).

To a stirred suspension of **13** (0.17 g, 0.38 mmol), **14** (0.37 g, 0.75 mmol), MS3Å (0.50 g) and SrCO₃ (0.28 g, 1.88 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (9.4 mL) were added AgBF₄ (0.037 g, 0.19 mmol) and NIS (0.25 g, 1.13 mmol) at 0 °C. After being stirred for 19h, the reaction mixture was added Et_3N (1.0 mL) and passed through a silica gel pad (hexanes/EtOAc = 1/4). The filtrate was concentrated in vacuo. The crude mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc = 2/1 to 1/2) to afford **15** (0.24 g, 78%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.40 – 7.27 (m, 6H), 6.07 (d, J = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 6.00 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 5.51 (d, J=9.8 Hz, 1H), 5.47 (d, J=9.6 Hz, 1H), 5.37 (dd, J=3.4, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.28 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 5.22 - 5.15 (m, 2H), 4.84 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 4.71 (s, 2H), 4.41 (dd, J= 5.5, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 4.39 - 4.35 (m, 1H), 4.33 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.14 (d, J=1.7 Hz, 2H), 4.03 – 4.01 (m, 1H), 3.93 (ddd, J=8.9, 5.9, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.47 (s, 3H), 2.20 (s, 3H), 2.19 (s, 3H), 2.07 (s, 3H), 2.02 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.20, 169.84, 169.50, 166.92, 162.19, 150.97, 137.75, 137.46, 128.32 (2C), 127.72, 127.69 (2C), 113.96, 103.58, 96.29, 88.68, 80.93, 80.09, 72.30, 70.42, 69.60, 68.46, 67.94, 65.16, 64.35, 63.58, 59.26, 40.61, 31.58, 20.70, 20.66, 20.62, 20.57; HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd for C₃₅H₄₁ClN₃O₁₇ [M + H] 810.2125, found: 810.2151.

(2*R*,3*S*,4*S*,5*R*,6*R*)-2-((1*R*)-1-((2*S*,5*R*)-3-Acetoxy-5-(2,4-dioxo-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-1(2*H*)yl)-4-methoxytetrahydrofuran-2-yl)-2-amino-2-oxoethoxy)-6-(hydroxymethyl)tetrahydro-2*H*pyran-3,4,5-triyl triacetate (16).

To a stirred solution of 15 (0.24 g, 0.29 mmol) in a 9:1 mixture of EtOH and H₂O (2.9 mL) were added HgCl₂ (0.16 g, 0.59 mmol) and acetaldoxime (0.18 mL, 2.9 mmol). After being stirred for 13h at r.t., the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo. The residue was quenched with aq. NaHCO₃, and extracted with CHCl₃. The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc = 1/2 to CHCl₃/MeOH = 96/4) to afford the amide (0.21 g, 87%). To a solution of the amide (0.21 g, 0.26 mmol) in a 1:1 mixture of THF and MeOH (2.6 mL) was added thiourea (0.059 g, 0.77 mmol). After being stirred for 11h at 50 °C, the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo. The residue was diluted with H₂O and extracted with CHCl₃. The combined organic extracts were dried over Na_2SO_4 and concentrated in vacuo. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography $(CHCl_3/MeOH = 98/2 \text{ to } 97/3 \text{ to } 96/4)$ to afford the primary alcohol (0.15 g, 75%). To a stirred solution of the primary alcohol (0.15 g, 0.19 mmol) and AcOH (0.040 mL) in a 1:1 mixture of THF and PrOH (2.0 mL) was added 10% Pd/C (0.12 g) under N2. H2 gas was introduced and the reaction mixture was stirred under H_2 atmosphere for 3h, the solution was filtered through Celite and concentrated in vacuo. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl₃/MeOH = 97/3 to 92/8) to afford **16** (0.10 g, 81%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 9.08 (brs, 1H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.87

(brs, 1H), 6.12 (brs, 1H), 6.00 (d, J= 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.87 (d, J= 3.6 Hz, 1H), 5.55 – 5.52 (m, 1H), 5.26 – 5.22 (m, 2H), 5.20 (t, J= 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (d, J= 1.7 Hz, 1H), 4.53 (dd, J= 6.5, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.46 (d, J= 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.06 (dd, J= 5.5, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 3.76 – 3.71 (m, 1H), 3.69 – 3.57 (m, 2H), 3.44 (s, 3H), 2.17 (s, 3H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 2.04 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) & 171.42, 170.46, 170.46, 170.40, 163.10, 150.03, 139.50, 103.61, 97.15, 96.95, 88.50, 81.26, 80.96, 75.33, 72.91, 69.67, 68.89, 65.54, 61.27, 59.05, 50.86, 20.82, 20.75, 20.67, 20.59; HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd for C₂₅H₃₄N₃O₁₆ [M + H] 632.1939, found: 632.1963.

(2S,3S,4S)-3,4-Diacetoxy-2-((1*R*)-1-((2S,5*R*)-3-acetoxy-5-(2,4-dioxo-3,4dihydropyrimidin-1(2*H*)-yl)-4-methoxytetrahydrofuran-2-yl)-2-amino-2-oxoethoxy)-3,4dihydro-2*H*-pyran-6-carboxylic acid (18).

To a stirred solution of **16** (0.10 g, 0.16 mmol) and DMSO (0.11 mL, 1.57 mmol) in a 5:1 mixture of CH₂Cl₂ and Et₃N (0.80 mL) was added SO₃•pyridine (0.25 g, 1.57 mmol). After being stirred for 3h at r.t., the reaction mixture was added H₂O (0.16 mL) and passed through a silica gel pad (CHCl₃/MeOH = 92/8) to provide the crude 17. To a stirred solution of the crude mixture in 'BuOH (1.0 mL) and 2-methyl-2-butene (0.5 mL) was added a solution of NaClO₂ (0.071 g, 0.78 mmol) and NaH₂PO₄•2H₂O (0.12 g, 0.78 mmol) in H₂O (1.0 mL). After being stirred for 4h at r.t., the reaction was quenched with H₂O and extracted with CHCl₃/MeOH (9/1). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in vacuo. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography $(CHCl_3/MeOH = 9/1)$ to afford **18** (0.078 g, 85%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Methanol- d_4) δ 7.77 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.94 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 5.94 (s, 1H), 5.78 (t, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 5.66 (dd, J = 4.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 5.56 (ddd, J = 4.7, 3.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.32 (d, J = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 4.99 (t, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 4.85 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 4.60 (dd, J = 5.2, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (t, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 4.85 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 4.85 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (t, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.39 (s, 3H), 2.13 (s, 3H), 2.08 (s, 3H), 2.05 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, MeOD) & 172.79, 172.06, 171.60, 167.79, 166.01, 152.05, 148.16, 140.97, 104.23, 103.98, 97.91, 88.13, 83.38, 82.91, 76.56, 71.95, 65.17, 65.06, 59.41, 20.75, 20.63, 20.57; HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd for C₂₃H₂₈N₃O₁₅ [M + H] 586.1520, found: 586.1549.

(2S,3S,4S)-2-((1R)-1-((2S,5R)-3-Acetoxy-5-(2,4-dioxo-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-1(2H)-yI)-4methoxytetrahydrofuran-2-yI)-2-amino-2-oxoethoxy)-6-(((S)-2-oxoazepan-3yI)carbamoyI)-3,4-dihydro-2H-pyran-3,4-diyI diacetate (19).

To a stirred solution of **18** (31 mg, 0.053 mmol), 2-(*S*)-aminocaprolactam (26 mg, 0.16 mmol), HOBt (21 mg, 0.16 mmol) and NMM (58 μ L, 0.53 mmol) in DMF (0.26 mL) was added EDCI (51 mg, 0.26 mmol). After being stirred for 6h at r.t., the reaction was quenched with aq. NaHCO₃, and extracted with CHCl₃/MeOH (9/1). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl₃/MeOH = 95/5) to afford **19** (30 mg, 82%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Methanol-*d*₄) & 7.68 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.02 (t, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 5.91 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 5.89 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 5.73 (dd, *J* = 4.4, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 5.68 – 5.65 (m, 1H), 5.51 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (d, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 1H), 4.76 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (d, *J* = 12.5 Hz, 1H), 4.60 – 4.57 (m, 1H), 3.98 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 3.35 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 2.08 (s, 3H), 2.05 (s, 3H), 2.03 – 1.98 (m, 2H), 1.91 – 1.83 (m, 2H), 1.65 – 1.56 (m, 2H), 1.44 – 1.37 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, MeOD) & 176.12, 172.32, 171.66, 171.29, 171.21, 165.96,

160.96, 151.90, 144.61, 141.42, 106.25, 103.54, 98.81, 88.77, 83.41, 79.28, 77.39, 74.79, 64.91, 64.49, 59.26, 57.36, 53.25, 42.36, 32.19, 29.75, 28.94, 20.54, 20.41, 20.32; HRMS (ESI+) *m*/*z* calcd for C₂₉H₃₈N₅O₁₅ [M + H] 696.2364, found: 696.2391.

(2S,3S,4S)-2-((1R)-2-Amino-1-((2S,5R)-5-(2,4-dioxo-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-1(2H)-yl)-3-hydroxy-4-methoxytetrahydrofuran-2-yl)-2-oxoethoxy)-3,4-dihydroxy-*N*-((*S*)-2-oxoazepan-3-yl)-3,4-dihydro-2H-pyran-6-carboxamide (3).

A solution of **19** (30 mg, 0.043 mmol) in a 5:1 mixture of MeOH and Et₃N (0.60 mL) was stirred for 5h at r.t., and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude mixture was purified by reverse-phase HPLC [column: Luna® (C18, 10 µm, 100 Å, 250 × 10 mm), solvents: 15:85 MeOH:H₂O, flow rate: 3.0 mL/min, UV: 254 nm, retention time: 20 min] to afford I-CAP (**3**, 24 mg, 98%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Methanol- d_4) δ 7.92 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.02 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 1H), 5.88 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 5.74 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.23 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.59 – 4.54 (m, 2H), 4.38 (t, J = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 4.29 (t, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 3.98 (t, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (t, J = 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.43 (s, 3H), 2.06 – 1.99 (m, 2H), 1.89 – 1.81 (m, 2H), 1.62 – 1.45 (m, 2H), 1.44 – 1.33 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, MeOD) δ 176.27, 173.46, 166.15, 161.85, 152.32, 144.23, 141.91, 109.37, 102.82, 101.22, 90.27, 83.49, 81.02, 78.93, 74.54, 68.51, 63.53, 58.67, 53.35, 42.48, 32.36, 29.91, 29.06; HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd for C₂₃H₃₂N₅O₁₂ [M + H] 570.2048, found: 570.2071.

(2*S*,3*S*,4*S*,5*R*,6*R*)-2-((*S*)-((3a*R*,4*R*,6*R*,6a*R*)-6-(3-((Benzyloxy)methyl)-2,4-dioxo-3,4dihydropyrimidin-1(2*H*)-yl)-2,2-dimethyltetrahydrofuro[3,4-*d*][1,3]dioxol-4-yl) (cyano)methoxy)-6-((2-chloroacetoxy)methyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-3,4,5-triyl triacetate (21).

To a stirred suspension of **20** (0.24 g, 0.56 mmol), **14** (0.55 g, 1.12 mmol), MS3Å (0.72 g), and SrCO3 (0.41 g, 2.80 mmol) in CH2Cl2 (14.0 mL) were added AgBF4 (0.055 g, 0.28 mmol) and NIS (0.25 g, 1.12 mmol) at 0 °C. After being stirred for 12h, the reaction mixture was added $E_{t_3}N$ (1.0 mL), and passed through a silica gel pad (hexanes/EtOAc = 1/4). The filtrate was concentrated in vacuo. The crude mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc = 6/4 - 4/6) to afford **21** (0.39 g, 88%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.37 – 7.28 (m, 5H), 7.20 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.82 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.61 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.50 (d, *J* = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 5.42 (d, *J* = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 5.35 - 5.27 (m, 1H), 5.23 (dd, J = 10.0, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 5.07 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 4.98 (dd, *J* = 6.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.84 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (s, 2H), 4.43 (dd, *J* = 7.1, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (dd, J=12.2, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 4.17 – 4.07 (m, 2H), 4.05 (d, J=1.6 Hz, 2H), 3.97 - 3.92 (m, 1H), 2.16 (s, 3H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 1.98 (s, 3H), 1.59 (s, 3H), 1.39 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) & 169.80, 169.57, 169.47, 166.80, 162.08, 150.84, 140.89, 137.67, 128.33 (2C), 127.91, 127.77, 127.63 (2C), 115.23, 114.72, 102.84, 96.56, 96.30, 86.55, 84.15, 80.95, 72.42, 70.41, 69.41, 68.39 (2C), 66.04, 65.35, 62.90, 40.52, 27.03, 25.20, 20.73, 20.64, 20.59; HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd for C₃₅H₄₁ClN₃O₁₆ [M + H] 794.2175, found: 794.2198.

(2R,3S,4S,5R,6R)-2-((R)-2-Amino-1-((3aR,4S,6R,6aR)-6-(2,4-dioxo-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-1(2H)-yl)-2,2-dimethyltetrahydrofuro[3,4-d][1,3]dioxol-4-yl)-2-oxoethoxy)-6-(hydroxymethyl)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-3,4,5-triyl triacetate (22).

To a stirred solution of **21** (0.39 g, 0.49 mmol) in a 9:1 mixture of EtOH and H₂O (4.9 mL) were added HgCl₂ (0.27 g, 0.98 mmol) and acetaldoxime (0.30 mL, 4.9 mmol). After being stirred for 12h at r.t., the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo. The residue was diluted with aq.NaHCO₃, and extracted with CHCl₃. The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc = 1/2 to CHCl₃/MeOH = 97/3) to afford the amide (0.36 g, 91%). To a solution of the amide (0.36 g, 0.45 mmol) in a 1:1 mixture of THF and MeOH (4.5 mL) was added thiourea (0.10 g, 1.34 mmol). After being stirred for 11h at 50 °C, the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo. The residue was diluted with H2O, and extracted with CHCl₃. The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in vacuo. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography $(CHCl_3/MeOH = 98/2 \text{ to } 97/3 \text{ to } 96/4)$ to afford the primary alcohol (0.25 g, 76%). To a stirred solution of the alcohol (0.25 g, 0.34 mmol) and AcOH (0.08 mL) in a 1:1 mixture of THF and ⁱPrOH (4.0 mL) was added 10% Pd/C (0.20 g) under N₂. H₂ gas was introduced and the reaction mixture was stirred under H₂ atmosphere. After being stirred for 4h at r.t., the reaction mixture was filtered through Celite and concentrated in vacuo. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl₃/MeOH = 96/4 to 92/8) to afford 22 (0.17 g, 80%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) & 9.45 (brs, 1H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (brs, 1H), 6.17 (brs, 1H), 5.78 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.60 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 5.43 (dd, J = 10.1, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 5.33 (dd, J = 3.5, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (t, J = 10.1 Hz, 1H), 5.12 – 5.05 (m, 1H), 5.03 (dd, J = 6.4, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 4.98 (s, 1H), 4.46 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.33 (t, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (dt, J = 10.1, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.60 – 3.53 (m, 2H), 2.14 (s, 3H), 2.07 (s, 3H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 1.55 (s, 3H), 1.35 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) & 170.68, 170.40, 170.28, 170.24, 163.27, 150.13, 142.81, 114.72, 102.85, 96.39, 87.34, 84.26, 80.35, 71.92, 69.35, 68.64, 66.03, 61.16, 27.25, 25.42, 20.83, 20.77, 20.74; HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd for C₂₅H₃₄N₃O₁₅ [M + H] 616.1990, found: 616.2018.

(2S,3S,4S)-2-((*R*)-2-Amino-1-((3a*R*,4S,6*R*,6a*R*)-6-(2,4-dioxo-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-1(2*H*)yl)-2,2-dimethyltetrahydrofuro[3,4-*d*][1,3]dioxol-4-yl)-2-oxoethoxy)-6-(((S)-2-oxoazepan-3yl)carbamoyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-3,4-diyl diacetate (23).

To a stirred solution of **22** (0.17 g, 0.27 mmol) and DMSO (0.19 mL, 2.72 mmol) in a 5:1 mixture of CH₂Cl₂ and Et₃N (1.4 mL) was added SO₃•pyridine (0.43 g, 2.72 mmol). After being stirred for 3h at r.t., the reaction mixture was added H₂O (0.27 mL) and passed through a silica gel pad (CHCl₃/MeOH = 92/8). To a stirred solution of the crude mixture in ^tBuOH (1.0 mL) and 2-methyl-2-butene (0.5 mL) was added a solution of NaClO₂ (0.12 g, 1.36 mmol) and NaH₂PO₄•2H₂O (0.21 g, 1.36 mmol) in H₂O (1.0 mL). After being stirred for 5h at r.t., the reaction was extracted with CHCl₃/MeOH (9/1). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl₃/MeOH = 9/1) to afford the acid (0.13 g, 81%). To a stirred solution of the acid (28 mg, 0.049 mmol), 2-(*S*)-aminocaprolactam (24 mg, 0.15 mmol), HOBt (20 mg, 0.15 mmol) and NMM (54 µL, 0.49 mmol) in DMF (0.25 mL) was

added EDCI (47 mg, 0.25 mmol). After being stirred for 14h at r.t., the reaction was quenched with aq.NaHCO₃, and extracted with CHCl₃/MeOH (9/1). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl₃/MeOH = 95/5) to afford **23** (30 mg, 89%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Methanol-*d*₄) δ 7.79 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.98 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.84 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 5.78 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.62 (dd, *J* = 4.5, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 5.51 – 5.48 (m, 1H), 5.45 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz, 1H), 4.74 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 4.71 (dd, *J* = 6.2, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (dd, *J* = 6.2, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 4.59 – 4.55 (m, 2H), 3.76 – 3.67 (m, 4H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 2.04 (s, 3H), 1.86 (d, *J* = 13.4 Hz, 3H), 1.63 – 1.52 (m, 3H), 1.51 (s, 3H), 1.45 – 1.34 (m, 3H), 1.25 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, MeOD) δ 176.35, 172.24, 171.62, 171.28, 166.24, 161.14, 151.99, 144.75, 142.76, 115.34, 106.38, 102.91, 98.75, 93.55, 87.12, 85.94, 82.02, 78.13, 67.16, 64.99, 64.46, 56.04, 53.46, 46.10, 42.52, 42.43, 32.25, 29.89, 29.08, 27.47, 25.47, 20.61, 20.52; HRMS (ESI+) *m*/*z* calcd for C₂₉H₃₈N₅O₁₄ [M + H] 680.2415, found: 680.2432.

(2S,3S,4S)-2-((1R)-2-Amino-1-((2S,5R)-5-(2,4-dioxo-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-1(2H)-yl)-3,4dihydroxytetrahydrofuran-2-yl)-2-oxoethoxy)-3,4-dihydroxy-N-((S)-2-oxoazepan-3-yl)-3,4dihydro-2H-pyran-6-carboxamide (4).

A solution of **23** (30 mg, 0.044 mmol) in a 4:1 mixture of TFA and H₂O (0.88 mL) was stirred for 4h at r.t., and concentrated *in vacuo*. A solution of the crude diol in a 5:1 mixture of MeOH and Et₃N (0.88 mL) was stirred for 9h at r.t., filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude mixture was purified by reverse-phase HPLC [column: Luna® (C18, 10 µm, 100 Å, 250 × 10 mm), solvents: 15:85 MeOH:H₂O, flow rate: 3.0 mL/min, UV: 254 nm, retention time: 16 min] to afford DM-CAP (**4**, 22 mg, 90%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Methanol- d_4) δ 7.94 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.03 (d, J = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 5.85 (d, J = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 5.73 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 4.68 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 4.61 (dd, J = 11.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (dd, J = 5.8, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 4.36 (t, J = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 4.30 (t, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (t, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.97 (t, J = 5.7 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.43 – 3.38 (m, 1H), 3.03 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 1.39 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, MeOD) δ 176.85, 174.05, 166.21, 162.02, 152.21, 144.60, 141.91, 108.72, 102.50, 101.60, 90.76, 84.77, 79.50, 75.68, 71.40, 63.63, 60.06, 53.44, 42.50, 31.89, 29.82, 29.14; HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd for C₂₂H₃₀N₅O₁₂ [M + H] 556.1891, found: 556.1912.

(2*S*,3*S*,4*S*)-2-((1*R*)-1-((2*S*,5*R*)-4-Acetoxy-5-(2,4-dioxo-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-1(2*H*)-yl)-3methoxytetrahydrofuran-2-yl)-2-amino-2-oxoethoxy)-6-((4-(4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenoxy)piperidin-1-yl)benzyl)carbamoyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-3,4-diyl diacetate (37).

To a stirred solution of **32** (55 mg, 0.094 mmol), **34** (0.10 g, 0.28 mmol), HOBt (38 mg, 0.28 mmol) and NMM (95 μ L, 0.94 mmol) in DMF (0.47 mL) was added EDCI (90 mg, 0.47 mmol). After being stirred for 7h at r.t., the reaction mixture was quenched with aq.NaHCO₃, and extracted with CHCl₃/MeOH (9/1). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl₃/MeOH = 95/5) to afford **37** (76 mg, 87%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Methanol-*d*₄) δ 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 5.97 (t, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 5.91 (d, *J* =

8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.87 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 1H), 5.74 (dd, J = 4.5, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 5.67 (ddd, J = 4.5, 2.8, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 5.43 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 5.28 (dd, J = 5.1, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 4.70 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (dq, J = 7.5, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 4.42 (d, J = 14.5 Hz, 1H), 4.38 (dd, J = 6.2, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 4.33 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 3.82 – 3.79 (m, 1H), 3.48 (td, J = 9.0, 6.8, 3.5 Hz, 3H), 3.13 – 3.06 (m, 2H), 3.05 (s, 3H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 2.06 (s, 3H), 1.87 (dtd, J = 12.3, 8.2, 3.6 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, MeOD) & 172.85, 171.84, 171.43, 171.17, 166.07, 162.39, 157.61, 152.11, 151.92, 144.94, 143.92, 141.57, 130.89, 130.02 (2C), 123.59 (2C), 118.04 (2C), 117.98 (2C), 106.19, 103.75, 98.26, 89.36, 83.17, 78.98, 76.60, 74.71, 73.98, 64.75, 59.35, 48.18, 48.16, 31.43 (2C), 20.70, 20.52, 20.49; HRMS (ESI+) *m*/*z* calcd for C₄₂H₄₇F₃N₅O₁₆ [M + H] 934.2970, found 934.2998.

(2S,3S,4S)-2-((1*R*)-2-Amino-1-((2S,5*R*)-5-(2,4-dioxo-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-1(2*H*)-yl)-4hydroxy-3-methoxytetrahydrofuran-2-yl)-2-oxoethoxy)-3,4-dihydroxy-*N*-(4-(4-(4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenoxy)piperidin-1-yl)benzyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-6-carboxamide (5).

A solution of **37** (76 mg, 0.082 mmol) in a 5:1 mixture of MeOH and Et₃N (1.6 mL) was stirred for 6h at r.t., and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude mixture was purified by reverse-phase HPLC [column: Luna® (C18, 10 µm, 100 Å, 250 × 10 mm), solvents: 65:35 MeOH:H₂O, flow rate: 3.0 mL/min, UV: 254 nm, retention time: 18 min] to afford CPPB (**5**, 63 mg, 95%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Methanol- d_4) & 7.86 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (dd, J = 10.9, 8.6 Hz, 4H), 7.02 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 6.97 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 5.98 (dd, J = 3.3, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.80 (d, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 5.76 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (d, J = 4.6 Hz, 1H), 4.68 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (dp, J = 7.3, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 4.48 (dd, J = 5.2, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.44 (d, J = 14.5 Hz, 1H), 4.39 (t, J = 3.9 Hz, 1H), 4.33 (d, J = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (t, J = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 4.06 – 4.02 (m, 1H), 3.66 (t, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 3.52 – 3.45 (m, 3H), 3.19 (s, 3H), 3.08 (ddd, J = 12.3, 8.6, 3.4 Hz, 3H), 2.15 – 2.07 (m, 2H), 1.86 (dtd, J = 12.2, 8.3, 3.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, MeOD) & 173.68, 166.16, 163.31, 157.62, 152.18, 152.08, 144.15, 141.83, 130.91, 129.76 (2C), 123.58 (2C), 118.03 (4C), 109.58, 102.74, 100.64, 90.83, 83.32, 80.35, 77.51, 74.27, 74.01, 67.61, 63.48, 58.61, 48.20 (2C), 43.51, 31.47 (2C); HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd for C₃₆H₄₁F₃N₅O₁₃ [M + H] 808.2653, found 808.2675.

To a stirred solution of **18** (33 mg, 0.056 mmol), **34** (62 mg, 0.17 mmol), HOBt (23 mg, 0.17 mmol) and NMM (62 μ L, 0.56 mmol) in DMF (0.28 mL) was added EDCI (54 mg, 0.28 mmol). After being stirred for 14h at r.t., the reaction was quenched with aq.NaHCO₃, and extracted with CHCl₃/MeOH (9/1). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl₃/MeOH = 95/5) to afford **35** (43 mg, 82%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Methanol-*d*₄) & 7.69 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.99 – 5.97 (m, 1H), 5.95 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 5.91 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.74 – 5.71 (m, 1H), 5.66 – 5.63 (m, 1H), 5.46 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 5.05 (t, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.57 – 4.52 (m, 1H), 4.49 (d, *J* = 14.5 Hz, 1H), 4.39 – 4.34 (m, 1H), 4.30 (d, *J* = 14.7 Hz, 1H), 3.84 – 3.80 (m, 1H), 3.64 (s, 3H),

3.53 – 3.45 (m, 2H), 3.13 – 3.06 (m, 2H), 2.83 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 2.07 (s, 3H), 2.06 (s, 3H), 1.87 (dtd, J = 12.7, 8.5, 3.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, MeOD) & 172.92, 171.74, 171.36, 170.39, 166.18, 162.23, 157.56, 152.06, 151.81, 145.05, 140.90, 130.78, 129.96 (2C), 123.52 (2C), 117.96 (2C), 117.92 (2C), 105.75, 103.47, 98.22, 88.92, 82.72, 78.21, 76.44, 73.95, 67.92, 64.42, 61.21, 58.65, 58.20, 48.10 (2C), 43.57, 31.38 (2C), 20.60, 20.44, 20.39; HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd for C₄₂H₄₇F₃N₅O₁₆ [M + H] 934.2970, found 934.2991.

(2S,3S,4S)-2-((1*R*)-2-Amino-1-((2S,5*R*)-5-(2,4-dioxo-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-1(2*H*)-yl)-3hydroxy-4-methoxytetrahydrofuran-2-yl)-2-oxoethoxy)-3,4-dihydroxy-*N*-(4-(4-(4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenoxy)piperidin-1-yl)benzyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-6-carboxamide (6).

A solution of **35** (43 mg, 0.046 mmol) in a 5:1 mixture of MeOH and Et₃N (0.92 mL) was stirred for 6h at r.t., and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude mixture was purified by reverse-phase HPLC [column: Luna® (C18, 10 µm, 100 Å, 250 × 10 mm), solvents: 65:35 MeOH:H₂O, flow rate: 3.0 mL/min, UV: 254 nm, retention time: 19 min] to afford I-CPPB (**6**, 35 mg, 93%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Methanol- d_4) & 7.79 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 4H), 7.02 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.98 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 5.94 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 5.77 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.36 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.67 – 4.65 (m, 1H), 4.61 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 4.48 (dd, J = 8.6, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 4.36 – 4.33 (m, 1H), 4.27 (dd, J = 5.4, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 3.71 – 3.65 (m, 2H), 3.51 (d, J = 4.4 Hz, 2H), 3.48 (s, 3H), 3.25 – 3.18 (m, 2H), 2.13 – 2.00 (m, 3H), 1.92 – 1.76 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, MeOD) & 173.68, 166.15, 163.30, 157.62, 152.18, 152.08, 144.15, 141.83, 130.90, 129.76 (2C), 123.58 (2C), 118.10 (2C), 118.02 (2C), 109.57, 102.73, 100.63, 90.83, 83.32, 80.35, 77.51, 74.27, 74.01, 67.61, 63.48, 58.61, 48.20 (2C), 43.51, 31.47 (2C); HRMS (ESI+) *m/z* calcd for C₃₆H₄₁F₃N₅O₁₃ [M + H] 808.2653, found 808.2668.

(2S,3S,4S)-2-((1*R*)-2-Amino-1-((2S,5*R*)-5-(2,4-dioxo-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-1(2*H*)-yl)-3,4dimethoxytetrahydrofuran-2-yl)-2-oxoethoxy)-6-((4-(4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenoxy)piperidin-1-yl)benzyl)carbamoyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-3,4-diyl diacetate (38).

To a stirred solution of **33** (38 mg, 0.068 mmol), **34** (75 mg, 0.20 mmol), HOBt (28 mg, 0.20 mmol) and NMM (75 μ L, 0.68 mmol) in DMF (0.34 mL) was added EDCI (65 mg, 0.34 mmol). After being stirred for 7h at r.t., the reaction was quenched with aq.NaHCO₃, and extracted with CHCl₃/MeOH (9/1). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl₃/MeOH = 95/5) to afford **38** (53 mg, 86%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Methanol-*d*₄) & 7.75 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.98 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.96 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.85 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 5.71 – 5.66 (m, 2H), 5.43 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.70 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 4.57 – 4.51 (m, 1H), 4.45 – 4.40 (m, 2H), 4.34 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (dd, *J* = 4.9, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.60 (dd, *J* = 6.9, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 3.50 (td, *J* = 7.6, 7.0, 3.3 Hz, 2H), 3.46 (s, 3H), 3.11 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.08 (s, 3H), 2.83 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 2.14 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 2.07 (s, 3H), 1.87 (dtd, *J* = 12.5, 8.2, 3.5 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, MeOD) & 172.98, 171.81, 171.42, 166.22, 162.30, 157.62, 152.12, 151.87, 145.11, 140.96, 130.85, 130.02 (2C), 123.58 (2C), 118.03 (2C),

117.98 (2C), 105.81, 103.54, 98.28, 88.98, 82.79, 82.54, 78.28, 76.50, 74.02, 64.59, 64.49, 61.28, 58.72, 58.27, 48.17 (2C), 43.64, 42.08, 31.45 (2C), 20.67, 20.51; HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd for C₄₁H₄₇F₃N₅O₁₅ [M + H] 906.3021, found 906.3045.

(2*S*,3*S*,4*S*)-2-((1*R*)-2-Amino-1-((2*S*,5*R*)-5-(2,4-dioxo-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-1(2*H*)-yl)-3,4dimethoxytetrahydrofuran-2-yl)-2-oxoethoxy)-3,4-dihydroxy-*N*-(4-(4-(4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenoxy)piperidin-1-yl)benzyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-6-carboxamide (7).

A solution of 38 (53 mg, 0.059 mmol) in a 5:1 mixture of MeOH and Et₃N (1.2 mL) was stirred for 6h at r.t., and concentrated in vacuo. The crude mixture was purified by reversephase HPLC [column: Luna® (C18, 10 µm, 100 Å, 250 × 10 mm), solvents: 65:35 MeOH:H₂O, flow rate: 3.0 mL/min, UV: 254 nm, retention time: 21 min] to afford OM-CPPB (7, 46 mg, 96%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Methanol- d_4) δ 7.89 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.22 $(d, J = 8.4 \text{ Hz}, 2\text{H}), 7.19 (d, J = 8.7 \text{ Hz}, 2\text{H}), 7.02 (d, J = 9.1 \text{ Hz}, 2\text{H}), 6.96 (d, J = 8.5 \text{ Hz}, 2\text{H}), 7.19 (d, J = 8.7 \text{ Hz}, 2\text{H}), 7.02 (d, J = 9.1 \text{ Hz}, 2\text{H}), 6.96 (d, J = 8.5 \text{ Hz}, 2\text{H}), 7.19 (d, J = 8.7 \text{ Hz}, 2\text{H}), 7.02 (d, J = 9.1 \text{ Hz}, 2\text{H}), 6.96 (d, J = 8.5 \text{ Hz}, 2\text{H}), 7.19 (d, J = 8.7 \text{ Hz}, 2\text{H}), 7.02 (d, J = 9.1 \text{ Hz}, 2\text{H}), 7.19 (d, J = 8.7 \text{ Hz}, 2\text{Hz}), 7.19 (d, J = 8.7 \text{ Hz}), 7.19 (d, J = 8.7 \text{ Hz$ 2H), 5.98 (dd, *J* = 3.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.85 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 5.76 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (d, J = 4.1 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 4.57 - 4.51 (m, 1H), 4.46 (dd, J = 6.8, 2.0 Hz), 4.67 (d, J = 6.8, 2.0 Hz)1H), 4.43 (d, J= 14.9 Hz, 1H), 4.40 (d, J= 3.7 Hz, 1H), 4.32 (d, J= 14.5 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (t, J = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (t, J = 4.1 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (t, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 3.52 - 3.47 (m, 2H), 3.45 (s, 3H), 3.13 (s, 3H), 3.08 (td, J = 9.1, 4.6 Hz, 2H), 2.15 – 2.09 (m, 2H), 1.91 – 1.82 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, MeOD) δ 173.61, 166.17, 163.21, 157.62, 152.09, 151.92, 144.02, 141.57, 130.94, 129.89 (2C), 123.59 (2C), 118.03 (2C), 117.98 (2C), 109.78, 102.61, 100.76, 88.94, 83.23, 82.71, 78.58, 77.02, 74.02, 67.27, 63.42, 60.07, 58.70, 58.37, 48.18, 47.87, 45.76, 43.53, 31.46 (2C); HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd for $C_{37}H_{43}F_{3}N_5O_{13}$ [M + H] 822.2809, found 822.2838.

(2S,3S,4S)-2-((*R*)-2-Amino-1-((3a*R*,4S,6*R*,6a*R*)-6-(2,4-dioxo-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-1(2*H*)yl)-2,2-dimethyltetrahydrofuro[3,4-*d*][1,3]dioxol-4-yl)-2-oxoethoxy)-6-((4-(4-(4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenoxy)piperidin-1-yl)benzyl)carbamoyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-3,4-diyl diacetate (36).

To a stirred solution of **31** (27 mg, 0.047 mmol), **34** (52 mg, 0.14 mmol), HOBt (19 mg, 0.14 mmol) and NMM (52 µL, 0.47 mmol) in DMF (0.24 mL) was added EDCI (45 mg, 0.24 mmol). After being stirred for 11h at r.t., the reaction was quenched with aq.NaHCO₃, and extracted with CHCl₃/MeOH (9/1). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in vacuo. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl₃/MeOH = 95/5) to afford **36** (37 mg, 84%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Methanol- d_4) δ 7.69 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (t, J = 9.5 Hz, 4H), 7.02 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.99 (t, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.87 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 5.83 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.66 (dd, *J* = 4.4, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 5.57 – 5.54 (m, 1H), 5.41 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.70 (dd, J = 6.3, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 4.63 (dd, J = 6.4, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 4.57 - 4.52(m, 1H), 4.39 (s, 2H), 3.79 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (s, 1H), 3.49 (ddd, J = 10.9, 6.4, 3.6 Hz, 1H)2H), 3.09 (ddd, J=12.4, 8.6, 3.4 Hz, 2H), 2.83 (t, J=6.5 Hz, 1H), 2.16 – 2.09 (m, 2H), 2.08 (s, 3H), 2.05 (s, 3H), 1.87 (dtd, J = 12.1, 8.1, 3.5 Hz, 2H), 1.53 (s, 3H), 1.21 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, MeOD) & 172.59, 171.76, 171.36, 166.16, 162.38, 157.61, 152.04, 151.92, 145.03, 142.46, 130.80, 129.66 (2C), 123.59 (2C), 118.05 (2C), 118.02 (2C), 115.67, 106.20, 103.33, 98.57, 92.78, 86.55, 85.61, 81.72, 77.88, 73.99, 64.84, 64.58, 61.28, 48.20

(2C), 43.59, 31.47 (2C), 27.52, 25.45, 20.66, 20.51; HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd for $C_{42}H_{47}F_3N_5O_{15}$ [M + H] 918.3021, found 918.3053.

(2S,3S,4S)-2-((1*R*)-2-Amino-1-((2S,5*R*)-5-(2,4-dioxo-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-1(2*H*)-yl)-3,4dihydroxytetrahydrofuran-2-yl)-2-oxoethoxy)-3,4-dihydroxy-*N*-(4-(4-(4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenoxy)piperidin-1-yl)benzyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-6-carboxamide (8).

A solution of 35 (37 mg, 0.040 mmol) in a 4:1 mixture of TFA and H₂O (0.80 mL) was stirred for 4h at r.t., and concentrated in vacuo. A solution of the crude alcohol in a 5:1 mixture of MeOH and Et₃N (0.80 mL) was stirred for 10h at r.t., and concentrated in vacuo. The crude mixture was purified by reverse-phase HPLC [column: Luna® (C18, 10 µm, 100 Å, 250×10 mm), solvents: 35:65 MeOH:H₂O, flow rate: 3.0 mL/min, UV: 254 nm, retention time: 15 min] to afford DM-CPPB (8, 29 mg, 91%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Methanol- d_4) δ 7.92 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (d, J = 3.1 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 2H), 7.02 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.01 (d, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 5.80 (d, J = 3.0Hz, 1H), 5.73 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.14 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 4.57 -4.51 (m, 1H), 4.50 (dd, J = 6.7, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 4.41 – 4.31 (m, 3H), 4.16 (dd, J = 6.6, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 4.04 (dd, J = 4.9, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (dd, J = 6.7, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.47 (t, J = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 3.27 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.07 (ddd, J = 17.0, 8.1, 4.0 Hz, 2H), 2.37 - 2.29 (m, 1H), 2.16 -2.07 (m, 2H), 1.86 (dtd, J = 12.3, 8.2, 3.5 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, MeOD) δ 174.07, 170.14, 166.22, 163.14, 157.62, 152.12, 151.99, 144.89, 141.84, 131.07, 129.64 (2C), 123.58 (2C), 118.08 (2C), 118.03 (2C), 116.78, 108.52, 102.45, 101.32, 91.15, 84.20, 78.81, 75.49, 74.02, 71.19, 69.27, 63.69, 60.09, 47.81 (2C), 31.46 (2C); HRMS (ESI+) *m/z* calcd for C₃₅H₃₉F₃N₅O₁₃ [M + H] 794.2496, found 794.2522.

(2*R*)-2-(((2*S*,3*S*,4*S*)-3,4-Dihydroxy-6-(((4-(4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenoxy)piperidin-1yl)benzyl)amino)methyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-yl)oxy)-2-((2*S*,5*R*)-5-(2,4-dioxo-3,4dihydropyrimidin-1(2*H*)-yl)-4-hydroxy-3-methoxytetrahydrofuran-2-yl)acetamide (9).

To a stirred solution of 16 (5.8 mg, 0.0092 mmol) and DMSO (0.065 mL, 0.92 mmol) in a 5:1 mixture of CH₂Cl₂ and Et₃N (0.5 mL) was added SO₃•pyridine (15 mg, 0.092 mmol). After being stirred for 2h at r.t., the reaction mixture was added H₂O (0.1 mL) and passed through a silica gel pad (CHCl₃/MeOH = 93/7) to afford the crude **17**: this was used without purification. To a stirred solution of the crude 17 and 34 (17 mg, 0.046 mmol) in CH₃CN (0.5 mL) was added NaB(CN)H₃ (5.8 mg, 0.092 mol). After being stirred for 3h at r.t., the reaction was quenched with aq.NaHCO₃, and extracted with CHCl₃/MeOH (9/1). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was passed through a silica gel pad ($CHCl_3/MeOH = 9/1$). The solution of the crude product in a 5:1 mixture of MeOH and Et₃N (0.5 mL) was stirred for 8h at r.t., and concentrated in vacuo. The crude mixture was purified by reverse-phase HPLC [column: Luna® (C18, 10 μm, 100 Å, 250 × 10 mm), solvents: 65:35 MeOH:H₂O, flow rate: 3.0 mL/ min, UV: 254 nm, retention time: 15 min] to afford CPPA (9, 4.6 mg, 65% for 3 steps): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Methanol-d₄) δ 8.02 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.03 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.90 (d, J = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 5.76 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.73 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.06 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 4.57 (dd, J = 6.4, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 4.52 (td, J = 4.4 , 1.7 Hz , 1H), 4.33 (t, J = 5.2 Hz , 1H), 4.26 (d, J = 26.3 Hz , 1H)1H), 4.18 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 3.90 – 3.77 (m, 3H), 3.55 – 3.50 (m, 2H), 3.49 (s, 3H), 3.15 –

3.06 (m, 3H), 2.16 – 2.07 (m, 3H), 1.86 (m, J= 8.8, 4.3 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, MeOD) & 174.07, 165.86, 163.68, 157.58, 151.26, 144.88, 142.07, 131.25, 129.37 (2C), 123.22 (2C), 118.03 (4C), 109.57, 102.60, 100.40, 90.92, 83.37, 80.46, 77.56, 74.63, 73.77, 73.15, 67.78, 63.30, 58.33, 48.19 (2C), 43.21, 30.74 (2C); HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd for C₃₆H₄₃N₃F₅O₁₂ [M + H] 794.2860, found 794.2877.

(2*R*)-2-(((2*S*,3*S*,4*S*)-3,4-Dihydroxy-6-(((4-(4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenoxy)piperidin-1yl)benzyl)amino)methyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-pyran-2-yl)oxy)-2-((2*S*,5*R*)-5-(2,4-dioxo-3,4dihydropyrimidin-1(2*H*)-yl)-3-hydroxy-4-methoxytetrahydrofuran-2-yl)acetamide (10).

To a stirred solution of 26 (4.6 mg, 0.0073 mmol) and DMSO (0.052 mL, 0.73 mmol) in a 5:1 mixture of CH₂Cl₂ and Et₃N (0.5 mL) was added SO₃•pyridine (12 mg, 0.073 mmol). After being stirred for 2h at r.t., the reaction mixture was added $H_2O(0.1 \text{ mL})$ and passed through a silica gel pad (CHCl₃/MeOH = 93/7) to afford the crude **29**. To a stirred solution of the crude 29 and 34 (13 mg, 0.036 mmol) in CH₃CN (0.5 mL) was added NaB(CN)H₃ (4.6 mg, 0.073 mol). After being stirred for 3h at r.t., the reaction was quenched with aq.NaHCO₃, and extracted with CHCl₃/MeOH (9/1). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na_2SO_4 and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was passed through a silica gel pad (CHCl₃/MeOH = 9/1). A solution of the crude product in a 5:1 mixture of MeOH and Et₃N (0.5 mL) was stirred for 8h at r.t., and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude mixture was purified by reverse-phase HPLC [column: Luna® (C18, 10 µm, 100 Å, 250 × 10 mm), solvents: 65:35 MeOH:H₂O, flow rate: 3.0 mL/min, UV: 254 nm, retention time: 15 min] to afford I-CPPA (10, 3.6 mg, 63% for 3 steps): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Methanol-d₄) δ 8.04 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.94 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 5.74 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.72 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.06 (s, 1H), 4.59 - 4.52 (m, 2H), 4.43 - 4.38 (m, 1H), 4.28 (t, J = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (t, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 4.21 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.14 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 3.88 - 3.85 (m, 2H), 3.82 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 3.53 (s, 3H), 3.13 (ddd, J = 12.3, 8.7, 3.3 Hz, 2H), 2.11 (d, J = 9.7 Hz, 3H), 1.87 (ddt, J = 13.3, 8.9, 4.1 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, MeOD) δ 173.92, 165.98, 162.46, 157.87, 151.93, 143.90, 140.73, 130.53, 129.43 (2C), 123.29 (2C), 118.10 (2C), 117.87 (2C), 109.98, 103.08, 100.53, 91.27, 83.47, 80.53, 78.03, 74.70, 73.54, 67.84, 63.75, 58.42, 57.46, 48.20, 43.48 (2C), 31.49 (2C); HRMS (ESI+) m/z calcd for C₃₆H₄₃N₃F₅O₁₂ [M + H] 794.2860, found 794.2885.

(2S,3S,4S)-2-((1R)-2-Amino-1-((2S,5R)-5-(2,4-dioxo-3,4-dihydropyrimidin-1(2H)-yl)-4hydroxy-3-methoxytetrahydrofuran-2-yl)-2-oxoethoxy)-3,4-dihydroxy-3,4-dihydro-2Hpyran-6-carboxylic acid (A-500359F).

A solution of **32** (18 mg, 29 µmol) in a 5:1 mixture of MeOH and Et₃N (0.5 mL) was stirred for 5h at r.t., and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude mixture was purified by reverse-phase HPLC [column: Luna® (C18, 10 µm, 100 Å, 250×10 mm), solvents: 15:85 MeOH:H₂O, flow rate: 3.0 mL/min, UV: 254 nm, retention time: 14 min] to afford A-500359F (12 mg, 96%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Deuterium Oxide) δ 7.75 (d, J= 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.88 (d, J= 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.80 (dd, J= 2.5, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.78 (d, J= 4.0 Hz, 1H), 5.25 (d, J= 3.2 Hz, 1H), 4.71 (d, J= 2.1 Hz, 1H), 4.48 (dd, J= 5.7, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 4.43 (dd, J= 4.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 4.30 (dd, J= 5.1, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (ddd, J= 4.8, 3.3, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (t, J= 5.4 Hz, 1H), 3.35 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, D₂O) δ 173.32, 168.26, 166.06, 151.29, 144.11, 140.79,

108.44, 101.93, 98.62, 89.42, 81.99, 78.20, 75.00, 72.10, 64.43, 62.19, 57.93; HRMS (ESI+) *m*/*z* calcd for C₁₇H₂₂N₃O₁₂ [M + H] 460.1204, found 460.1215.

Synthesis of CPPB (5) in Scheme 4.

To a stirred solution of A-500359F (11 mg, 0.024 mmol), **34** (26 mg, 0.072 mmol), Glyceroacetonide-Oxyma (16 mg, 0.072 mmol)⁵⁴ and NMM (26 mL, 0.24 mmol) in DMF (0.49 mL) was added EDCI (23 mg, 0.12 mmol). After being stirred for 5h at r.t., the reaction mixture was filtered, and diluted with water. The product was extracted with CHCl₃/MeOH (9/1). The combined extracts were derived over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude mixture was purified by DOWEX 50Wx4 (MeOH : NH₄OH = 4 : 1) followed by reverse-phase HPLC [column: Luna (C₁₈, 10 mm, 100 Å, 250 × 10 mm), solvents: 65:35 MeOH : H₂O, flow rate: 3.0 mL/min, UV: 254 nm, retention time: 18 min] to afford **5** (17 mg, 92%). All physical data were identical to that of CPPB synthesized in Scheme 3A.

Expression and purification of HyMraY.

The gene *mraY* of *Hydrogenivirga spp.* 128–5-R1–1 was cloned with a *N*-terminal His₆ tag into a pET22b vector. The plasmid was transformed and expressed in *E. coli* NiCo21(DE3) pLEMO competent cells. The proteins were purified using a nickel, cation exchange, and size exclusion chromatography. The final storage buffer was 20 mM HEPES pH 7.5, 100 mM NaCl, 10% glycerol, 5 mM β ME, 0.15% decyl β -D-maltopyranoside (DM).

Expression and purification of *Mj*AgIH.

The gene *mj1113* of *Methanocaldococcus jannaschii* DSM 2661 was cloned with a *N*terminal His₉ tag into a pET33b-derived vector. The plasmid was transformed and expressed in *E. coli* NiCo21(DE3) pLEMO competent cells. The proteins were purified using cobalt and size exclusion chromatography. The final storage buffer was 20 mM Tris-HCl, pH 7.5, 100 mM NaCl, 5% glycerol, 5 mM β ME, 0.15% DM.

Preparation of membrane fraction P-60 containing WecA.

E. coli B21 wecA strain were harvested by centrifugation (4,700 rpm) at 4 °C followed by washing with 0.9% saline solution (thrice).^{9,58} The washed cell pellets were washed with homogenization buffer (containing 50 mM K₂HPO₄, 5 mM MgCl₂, 5 mM 1,4-dithio-DL-threitol, and 10% glycerol, pH = 7.2) (thrice), and approximately 5 g of pellet (wet weight) was collected. The washed cell pellets were suspended in homogenization buffer and disrupted by probe sonication on ice (5sec on and 2sec off for 1 min, then cool down for 1.5min, 5 cycles, cool down for 15min, and then, 5sec on and 2sec off for 1 min, cool down for 1.5min, 5 cycles). The resulting suspension was centrifuged at 4,700 xg for 15min at 4 °C to remove unbroken cells. The lysate was centrifuged at 25,000 xg for 20min. at 4 °C. The supernatant was discarded, and the membrane fraction containing WecA enzyme (P-60) was suspended in the Tris-HCl buffer (pH = 7.5). Total protein concentrations were approximately 8 to 10 mg/mL. Aliquots were stored in Eppendorf tubes at -80 °C.

DPAGT1 expression and purification.

DPAGT1 was expressed in suspended Expi293 cells for 36h. The cells were lysed by drawing through a 26g needle (10 times) and membrane protein was extracted using buffer containing 1% decyl β -D-maltopyranoside detergent. DPAGT1 was purified using HA-agarose resin and a superdex 200 size exclusion column.

MraY assay.

MraY assay substrates, Park's nucleotide- N^{e} -C₆-dansylthiourea, neryl phosphate, were chemically synthesized according to the reported procedures.⁷ Park's nucleotide- N^{e} -C₆-dansylthiourea (2 mM stock solution, 1.88 µL), MgCl₂ (0.5 M, 5 µL), KCl (2 M, 5 µL), Triton X100 (0.5%, 5.63 µL), Tris-HCl buffer (pH 8.0, 50 mM), neryl phosphate (0.1 M, 2.25 µL), and inhibitor molecule (0 – 50 µg/mL in Tris-HCl buffer) were placed in a 1.5 mL Eppendorf tube. To a reaction mixture, P-60 (10µL) was added (total volume of reaction mixture: 50 µL adjust with Tris-HCl buffer). The reaction mixture was incubated for 2h at r.t. (26 °C) and quenched with CHCl₃ (100 µL). Two phases were mixed via vortex and centrifuged at 25,000 xg for 10min. The aqueous phase was assayed via reverse-phase HPLC. The water phase (10 µL) was injected into HPLC (solvent: CH₃CN/0.05 M aq. NH₄HCO₃ = 25:75; UV: 350 nm; flow rate: 0.5 mL/min; column: Kinetex 5µm C8, 100 A, 150 × 4.60 mm), and the area of the peak for lipid I-neryl derivative was quantified to obtain the IC₅₀ value. The IC₅₀ values were calculated from plots of the percentage product inhibition versus the inhibitor.

WecA assay.

WecA assay substrate, UDP-Glucosamine-C₆-FITC was chemically synthesized according to the reported procedures.^{9,11,59} UDP-Glucosamine-C₆-FITC (UDP-GlcN-C₆-FITC, 2 mM stock solution, 0.56 μ L), MgCl₂ (0.5 M, 4 μ L), β -mercaptoethanol (50 mM, 5 μ L), CHAPS (5%, 11.3 μ L), Tris-HCl buffer (pH 8.0, 50 mM), undecaprenyl phosphate (4 mM, 1.4 μ L), and inhibitor molecue (0 – 50 μ g/mL in Tris-HCl buffer) were place in a 1.5 μ L Eppendorf tube. To a reaction mixture, P-60 (10 μ L) was added (total volume of reaction mixture: 50 μ L adjust with Tris-HCl buffer). The reaction mixture was incubated for 2h at 37 °C and quenched with n-butanol (150 μ L). Two phases were mixed via vortex and centrifuged at 10,000 xg for 3min. The upper organic phase was assayed via reverse-phase HPLC. The organic phase (30 μ L) was injected into HPLC (solvent: gradient elution of 85:15 to 95:5 MeOH/0.05 M aq. NH₄HCO₃; UV: 485 nm; flow rate: 0.5 ml/ min; column: Kinetex 5 μ m C8, 100 Å, 150 × 4.60 mm), and the area of the peak for C₅₅-P-P-GlcN-C₆-FITC was quantified to obtain the IC₅₀ value. The IC₅₀ values were calculated from plots of the percentage product inhibition versus the inhibitor concentration.

AgIH assay.

AglH assays were performed as the procedure described for WecA assays, but used *Mj*AglH and α -dihydroundecaprenyl phosphate (C₅₅-dolichyl phosphate) instead of WecA and undecaprenyl phosphate. UDP-GlcN-C₆-FITC (2 mM stock solution, 0.56 µL), MgCl₂ (0.5 M, 4 µL), β-mercaptoethanol (50 mM, 5 µL), CHAPS (5%, 11.3 µL), Tris-HCl buffer (pH 8.0, 50 mM), C₅₅-dolichyl phosphate (4 mM, 1.4 µL), and inhibitor molecule (0 – 50 µg/mL

in Tris-HCl buffer) were place in a 1.5 μ L Eppendorf tube. To a reaction mixture, AglH solution (10 μ L) was added (total volume of reaction mixture: 50 μ L adjust with Tris-HCl buffer). The reaction mixture was incubated for 2h at 37 °C and quenched with n-butanol (150 μ L). Two phases were mixed via vortex and centrifuged at 10,000 xg for 3min. The upper organic phase was assayed via reverse-phase HPLC. The organic phase (30 μ L) was injected into HPLC (solvent: gradient elution of 85:15 to 95:5 MeOH/0.05 M aq. NH₄HCO₃; UV: 485 nm; flow rate: 0.5 ml/ min; column: Kinetex 5 μ m C8, 100 Å, 150 × 4.60 mm), and the area of the peak for C₅₅-P-P-GlcN-C₆-FITC was quantified to obtain the IC₅₀ value. The IC₅₀ values were calculated from plots of the percentage product inhibition versus the inhibitor concentration.

DPAGT1 assay.

DPAGT1 assays were performed as the procedure described for AglH assays, but used DPAGT1.

Cell lines.

The human primary PDAC cell lines PANC-1 (ATCC CRL 1469); Capan-2 (ATCC HTB-80) and metastatic PDAC cell lines Capan-1 (ATCC HTB-79), AsPC-1 (ATCC CRL-1682), L1210 (ATCC CCL-219), KB (ATCC CCL-17), HeLa, SiHa (ATCC HTB-35), HCT-116 (ATCC CCL-247), DLD-1 (ATCC CCL221), hTERT-HPNE (ATCC CRL-4023), Vero (ATCC CCL-81) were purchased from the ATCC. The cell lines were cultured and maintained in the media as recommended by the supplier. The cell lines were regularly tested for mycoplasma contamination and authenticated. In addition to ATCC cell lines, Dr. Glazer's lab generated patient-derived PDAC cell line, PD002. PD002 Cells were maintained and cultured in DMEM medium supplemented with 20% FBS and 100 IU/mL penicillin and incubated at 37°C with 5% CO₂.

MTT cytotoxicity assay.

To study the effect of treatment with DPAGT1 inhibitors on the growth and proliferation of cells, a fixed number of cells (5×10^4 cells/well, 196 µL) were plated in a 96 well plate. Into each well 5 µL of drug concentration was added. After 72h of incubation with drugs at 37 °C, 5% CO₂, 10 µL of MTT solution (5 mg/mL in PBS) was added and incubated another 3h at 37 °C, 5% CO₂. The medium was removed, and DMSO (200 µL/well) was added. Viability was assessed on the basis of cellular conversion of MTT into a purple formazan product. The absorbance of the colored formazan product was measured at 570 nm by BioTek Synergy HT Spectrophotometer.

Kinetic proliferation assay.

To study the effect of treatment with DPAGT1 inhibitors on the growth and proliferation of cells, a fixed number of cells (2×10^4) were plated in multiple wells of a 96 well plate, incubated for 24h to let cells settle down. Then, CPPB (**5**) was added (0–50 μ M). Images were obtained every 4h using an IncuCyte Live-Cell Imaging System (Essen BioScience, Ann Arbor, MI). After 72h, cell proliferation was quantified using the metric phase object

confluence (POC), a measurement of the area of the field of view that is covered by cells, which is calculated by the integrated software.

Scratch assay.

A confluent monolayer was formed in 24-well plates. The monolayer was scratched by a sterile 200 μ L pipette tip and washed with PBS to remove cell debris. Complete medium with CPPB (**5**) (0, 0.05, 0.1, 0.2 μ M) were added and scratched areas were photographed with microscope. The scratched cells were incubated at 37 °C, 5% CO₂. After 24h, medium was removed and cells were stained with a 1:1 mixture of crystal violet and PBS for 5min, washed with PBS twice, and photographed with microscope. Wound areas were measured and recovered areas were calculated.

Cell migration assays using transwell chamber.

Cell migration assay was performed using Boyden chamber (Thermo Fisher). PD002 cells (~ 10^4 cells/mL) were seeded in 96-wells plate (Corning, HTS Transwell-96 Well Permeable Supports, pore size: 8 µm) in FBS free media and the lower chambers were filled with 10% FBS medium. CPPB, tunicamycin, or gemcitabine (0.1 µM) was added to the upper chamber. The cells were incubated for 18h at 37°C under 5% CO₂. The cells were fixed using 4% paraformaldehyde for 0.5h and stained with 0.05% crystal violet (300 µL/well), after 0.5h, images were captured via 10X magnification microscopy.

Reagents, antibodies, and cell treatments.

All the primary and secondary antibodies used were obtained from Cell Signaling Technology.

SDS-PAGE and Western blotting assay.

The medium of the cells grown in 10 cm cell culture plate was removed, and the cells were washed once with PBS, and lysed with Pierce RIPA buffer (Theomo Scientific, Cat. # 89901) containing 1x Pierce protease and phosphatase inhibitors (Thermo Scientific, Cat. # 88668). The cell lysate was pelleted down at 15,200 xg at 4 °C for 15min, the cell supernatant was transferred to a fresh Eppendorf tube, and 5 uL of sample was quantitated by using (Quick Start Bradford Dyed Reagent, Biorad, Cat. # 500–0205). 50 µg of each protein sample was analyzed by SDS-PAGE (10% gel) followed by Western blotting, and autoradiography. Precision Plus Dual Color (Biorad, Cat. # 161–0374) was used as protein standard marker. Clarity Western ECL Substrate (Biorad, Cat. # 170–5060) was used to develop the probe signal, and Classic Blue BX film (MidSci, Ref. # 604 5983) was used for autoradiography.

Immunofluorescent staining.

A confluent monolayer was formed in NuncTM Lab-TekTM II CC2TM chamber slide (8 well, Thermo Scientific, Cat. # 154941PK). Complete medium with CPPB (**5**, 0–20 μM) was added and incubated at 37 °C under 5% CO₂. After 24h, medium was removed and cells were washed with PBS (3 times), then fixed with 4% paraformaldehyde in PBS for 0.5h at 4 °C. After washing with 0.2% Tween-20/PBS (3 times), the cells were treated with a blocking

buffer (0.2% Tween-20, 1% NGS, 1% BSA in PBS) for 2h at 4 °C. The cells were treated with primary antibody in blocking buffer (0.4% v/v) for 12h at 4 °C. The cells were washed with 0.2% Tween-20 in PBS (3 times) and treated with secondary antibody (Donkey anti-Rabbit IgG (H+L) Highly Cross-Adsorbed Secondary Antibody, Alexa Fluor 555 (Invitrogen, Cat. # A31572)) in blocking buffer (0.2% v/v) for 2h at r.t. in the dark. After additional washing (3 times) with 0.2% Tween-20/PBS, the cells were treated with DAPI Fluoromount-G® (SouthernBiotech, Cat. # 0100–20) and covered with glass slide for fluorescence microscopy analysis.

Reverse transcription-quantitative polymerase chain reaction (RT-qPCR).

Total RNA was extracted from PD002 (~10⁶) cells using a RNeasy Mini kit (Qiagen, Inc., Valencia, CA, USA) after the treatment with CPPB or tunicamycin (0–10 μ M) for 24h. Expression was measured by Kapa probe fast qPCR Master Mix (2X) (KAPA BIOSYSTEMS; Wilmington, MA, USA) with S19 as an endogenous control. Primer sequences were as follow; *DPAGT1*, forward, 5'-tcagggacaaagagatctgga-3'; reverse, 5'-cagcatggtttgttctaatgctt-3'. The PCR cycling conditions were performed with total 45 cycles at 95 °C for 10sec and 60 °C for 10sec, 72 °C for 10sec, and cooled down at 40 °C for 30sec. Relative mRNA expression changes were calculated by the 2- Cq method.

Synergistic effect of CPPB with paclitaxel.

The synergistic or antagonistic activities of CPPB (**5**) with paclitaxel were assessed *in vitro* via micro dilution broth checkerboard technique.⁴⁸ PD002 cells (180 µL, 1×10^4 /mL) were places in each well of a 96well plate. The cells were treated with a combination of CPPB (0–50 µM) and paclitaxel (5–0.024 µM), and cultured at 37 °C for 72h under 5% CO₂. Antiproliferation kinetic of each well were monitored by using an IncuCyte Live-Cell Imaging System (Essen BioScience, Ann Arbor, MI). At the endpoint, MTT assays were performed. The FIC index was calculated according to the following equation. $\Sigma FIC=FIC_A +FIC_B=C_A/MIC_A+C_B/MIC_B$ where, MIC_A and MIC_B: MIC of drugs A and B, C_A and C_B=concentrations of drugs A and B used in combination. In these interaction studies, ΣFIC of less than 0.5 represents synergistic activity.

Computational methods – DPAGT1 inhibitor study.

Protein preparation: All molecular modeling and docking studies were performed using the experimental structure of the human GPT (DPAGT1, H129 variant) with bound tunicamycin (PDB 6BW6).²⁵ The biological unit was downloaded and prepared using the Protein Preparation Wizard of the Maestro Small Molecule Drug Discovery Suite (Schrödinger, LLC).⁴⁹ Hydrogens were added, when applicable, and protonation and tautomeric states were assigned using the Epic program.⁶⁰ Lone waters were removed and the protein was refined by optimizing H-bond assignments and performing a restrained minimization using MacroModel.⁵⁰ Docking site preparation: The docking receptor grid was prepared using Schrödinger's Glide program.^{51,61} The docking grid was defined as 25 Å region centroid of the bound tunicamycin compound. Van der Waals radius scaling was employed with a scaling factor of 1.0 and partial charge cutoff of 0.25 (default values). No docking constraints or excluded volumes were defined. Hydroxyl and thiol groups within close

proximity to the bound tunicamycin compound (3Å) were defined as rotatable. Inhibitor docking: Compounds were built and prepared for docking using the LigPrep program using default settings (Schrödinger, LLC). The DPAGT1 inhibitors, non-inhibitors, and weak inhibitor reported herein were docked into the prepared protein using Schrödinger's Glide program using XP (extra precision) settings using the grid described above.⁶² Glide XP score for CPPB (5), I-CPPB (6), CPPA (9), I-CPPA (10), OM-CPPB (7), DM-CPPB (8), I-CAP (10), OM-CAP (2), and CAP (1) are summarized in Table S1 in Supporting Information.

Supplementary Material

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ABBREVIATIONS

THF	tetrahydrofuran
CH ₂ Cl ₂	methylene chloride
DMSO	dimethyl sulfoxide
DMF	<i>N</i> , <i>N</i> -dimethylformamide
МеОН	methanol
EtOH	ethanol
iPrOH	isopropanol
tBuOH	<i>tert</i> -butanol
EtOAc	ethyl acetate
CHCl ₃	chloroform
HRMS	high resolution mass spectrometry
HPLC	high performance liquid chromatography
TLC	thin layer chromatography
Bu	<i>n</i> -butyl

Ts	<i>p</i> -toluenesulfonyl
DMAP	N,N-dimethyl-4-aminopyridine
Boc	<i>tert</i> -butoxycarbonyl
EDCI	1-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-3-ethylcarbodiimide hydrochloride
АсОН	acetic acid
Et ₃ N	triethylamine
NIS	<i>N</i> -iodosuccinimide
TFA	2,2,2-trifluoroacetic acid
MS	molecular sieve
ATCC	American type culture collection
SAR	structure-activity relationship
MIC	minimum inhibitory concentration
FIC	fractional inhibitory concentration
МТТ	3-(4,5-dimethylthiazol-2-yl)-2,5-diphenyltetrazolium bromide
OD	optical density
PBS	phosphate-buffered saline
FBS	fetal bovine serum
NADPH	nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide phosphate
UDP-GlcNAc	uridine diphosphate N-acetylglucosamine
UMP	uridine monophosphate
RT-qPCR	reverse transcription quantitative real time polymerase chain reaction
САР	capuramycin
OM-CAP	O-methyl capuramycin
DM-CAP	demethyl capuramycin
СРРВ	capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamide
І-СРРВ	iso-capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamide
OM-CPPB	O-methyl capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamide

DM-CPPB	demethyl capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamide
СРРА	capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamine
I-CPPA	iso-capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamine

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Figure 1.

Development of DPAGT1 Inhibitors of Capuramycin Analogues. Structures of Capuramcyin, *O*-Methyl capuramycin (OM-Cap), Capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamide analogue (CPPB), Aminouridyl phenoxylpiperidinylbenzylbutanamide (APPB, Previously Reported DPAGT1 Inhibitor), and Tunicamycin (Reference Molecule).

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Figure 2. DPAGT1 in *N*-Glycan Biosynthesis.



A capuramycin analogue (A-500359E)



SAR studies performed in the Kurosu lab.



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A: Phase area confluence of PD002 tretaed with CPPB



B: PD002 (PBS)



Figure 4.

Kinetic Proliferation Assays for PD002 Treated with CPPB Monitored by IncuCyte® Live Cell Analysis.^a

^aImages were obtained every 4h using an IncuCyte Live-Cell Imaging System (Essen BioScience, Ann Arbor, MI). After 72h, cell proliferation was quantified using the metric phase object confluence (POC), the area of the field of view that is covered by cells (phase area confluence %) is calculated by the integrated software.

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Figure 5.

Analyses of Migration inhibition of Pancreatic Cancers (PANC-1, PD002, AsPC-1, and Capan-1), a Cervical carcinoma (SiHa), a Colorectal Adenocarcinoma (HCT-116) by Treatment with CPPB in Would Healing (Scratch) Assays.^a

^aAll images were acquired at 24h and these are summarized in SI (only the data for PD002 shown). *P* values were obtained from T score calculator.



Figure 6.

Cell Migration Inhibition of PD002 by Gemcitabine, Tunicamycin, and CPPB via Transwell Chamber.^a

^aThe cells were fixed using 4% paraformaldehyde for 0.5h and stained with 0.05% crystal violet (300 μ L/well), after 0.5h, the images were captured via 10X magnification microscopy.



D: Western blotting assay for Snail (SiHa)



Figure 7.

Immuno-fluorescent staining: Effect of a DPAGT1 Inhibitor, CPPB, on Snail in Pancreatic Cancer Cells (PD002 and PANC-1) and a Colorectal Adenocarcinoma (HCT-116). Western Blotting Assay for a Cervical Cancer (SiHa).^a

^aFluorescence microscopy images at 40x. The cells $(1 \times 10^{5-6})$ were treated with CPPB (0.05, 0.2, 2.0, and 20 µM) or PBS for 24h. For immunefluorescent studies: the cells were treated with Snail (C15D3) rabbit mAb (Cell Signaling Technology), followed by Goat anti-Rabbit IgG (H+L) Cross-Adsorbed Secondary Antibody, Alexa FluorTM568 (red). DAPI (4['],6-diamidino-2-phenylindole), a blue fluorescent DNA dye, was used to mark the nucleus. 40x. For Western blotting assays: The cells were treated with Snail (C15D3) rabbit mAb (Cell Signaling Technology), followed by secondary antibody, horseradish peroxidase (HRP)-linked antibody (Cell Signaling Technology).



Figure 8.

Immunofluorescent Staining: Effect of a DPAGT1 inhibitor, CPPB, on E-Cadherin in Pancreatic cancer cells (PD002 and PANC-1) and a Colorectal Adenocarcinoma (HCT-116).^a

^aFluorescence microscopy images at 20x. The cells $(1 \times 10^{5-6})$ were treated with CPPB (0.05, 0.2, 2.0, and 20 µM) or PBS for 24h. The cells were treated with E-cadherin (4A2) mouse mAb (Cell Signaling Technology), followed by secondary antibody, goat anti-mouse IgG (H+L), Alexa FluorTM Plus 647 (Invitrogen). DAPI (4',6-diamidino-2-phenylindole), a blue fluorescent DNA dye, was used to mark the nucleus. 40x

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Figure 9.

Western blot Analyses of DPAGT1, Snail, and E-Cadherin in PD002, PANC-1, and HCT-116 treated with CPPB.^a

^aThe relative expression level was quantified by using Image StudioTM Lite quantification software (n = 3, p < 0.001, see SI).; ^bAll cell lysates were prepared to be 1.5 mg total protein/mL by 15,200 xg, 30min at 4 °C unless indicated. ^CAt least three isoforms of DPAGT1 were detected.; ^dDPAGT1 was not detectable at 30 µL (1.5 mg total protein /mL).; ^eThe cell lysate was prepared by ultracentrifugation (130,000 xg for 1h at 4 °C). 30 µL of the lysate was analyzed.



Figure 10.

Immunofluorescent staining: The DPAGT1 Expression Level in the Selected Cancer Cell Lines (PD002 and PANC-1) and a Colorectal Adenocarcinoma (HCT-116) Treated with CPPB.^a

^aFluorescence microscopy images at 20x. The cells $(1 \times 10^{5-6})$ were treated with CPPB (0.05, 0.2, 2.0, and 20 µM) or PBS for 72h. The cells were treated with DPAGT1 polyclonal antibody (Invitrogen, PA5–72704), followed by secondary antibody, Donkey anti-rabbit IgG (H+L), Alexa FluorTM 555 (red) (Invitrogen). DAPI (4',6-diamidino-2-phenylindole), a blue fluorescent DNA dye, was used to mark the nucleus.

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Figure 11.

RT-qPCR Analyses of *DPAGT1* Expression Level in PD002 Treated with CPPB.^a $a \sim 5 \times 10^6$ of PD002 was applied. Incubation time: 24h at 37 °C. At 10 μ M, tunicamycin killed PD002 in 100%.

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Figure 12.

Modeling CPPB-DPAGT1 Interaction to Design New Inhibitor Molecules.^a ^aDocking studies were performed using the human DPAGT1 with bound tunicamycin (PDB: 6BW6) (PMID 29459785). The biological unit was downloaded and prepared using the Protein Preparation Wizard of the Maestro Small Molecule Drug Discovery Suite (Schrödinger, LLC). The docking receptor grid was prepared using Schrödinger's Glide program. (PMID 15027866, PMID 15027865). CPPB was built and prepared for docking using the LigPrep program using default settings (Schrödinger, LLC). A: Predicted binding pose of CPPB (highlighted ball & stick model) into DPAGT1. Key active site loops (yellow) and transmembrane regions (orange) are indicated. B: 2D ligand interaction diagram of the docked CPPB-DPAGT1 complex with key predicted interactions shown. CL: cytoplasmic loop.; TM: transmembrane segment



Scheme 1.

An Improved Synthesis of Capuramycin Analogues Developed in The Kurosu Lab.

A: Synthesis of iso-capuramycin (I-CAP)



a) 14, NIS, AgBF₄, SrCO₃, 3Å MS, CH₂Cl₂, 0 °C, 12h.; b) HgCl₂,aldoxime, EtOH-H₂O.; c) thiourea, MeOH-THF, 50 °C.; d) H₂, 10% Pd-C, AcOH-ⁱPrOH-THF.;

Scheme 2.

Syntheses of iso-Capuramycin (I-CAP, 3) and Demethyl-capuramycin (DM-CAP, 4).



A: Synthesis of capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamide analogues, CPPB, iso-CPPB (I-CPPB), and demethyl-CPPB (DM-CPPB)



Scheme 3.

Syntheses of Capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamine (CPPA, 9) and iso-Capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamine (I-CPPA, 10).

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Scheme 4.

A Semi-synthesis of CPPB from Synthetic A-500359F, a Metabolite of *S. griseus* SANK60196.

Table 1.

Phosphotransferase Enzyme Inhibitory Activities of Capuramycin Analogues.^a

Entry	Compound	IC ₅₀ (µМ) ^{<i>a</i>}				
		MraY (Hydrogenivirga sp.)	WecA (E. coli)	AglH (M. jannaschii)	DPAGT1 (Human)	
1	Capuramycin (CAP, 1)	0.13	>50	>50	>50	
2	O-Methyl capuramycin (OM-CAP, 2)	>50	0.060	2.5	4.5	
3	<i>iso</i> -Capuramycin (I-CAP, 3)	8.5	30.0	20.0	11.5	
4	Demethyl capuramycin (DM-CAP, 4)	>50	35.0	>50	>50	
5	Capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamide (CPPB, 5)	10.3	0.10	0.15	0.20	
6	<i>iso</i> -Capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamide (I-CPPB, 6)	>50	20.0	15.0	0.60	
7	<i>O</i> -Methyl capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamide (OM-CPPB, 7)	5.0	10.0	30.0	20.0	
8	Demethyl capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamide (DM-CPPB, 8)	>50	30.0	>50	>50	
9	Capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamine (CPPA, 9)	>50	>50	>50	>50	
10	<i>iso</i> -Capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamine (I-CPPA, 10)	>50	>50	>50	>50	
11	Tunicamycin (11)	2.9	0.15	13.2	1.5	

 $^a\!\mathrm{All}$ assay protocols are summarized in Experimental Section as well as SI.

Table 2.

Entry	Compound	$IC_{50} (\mu M)^{a}$										
L1210	КВ	SiHa	HCT-116	DLD-1	Capan-1	PANC-1	AsPC-1	PD002	HPNE	Vero		
1	CAP (1)	>50	>50	>50	>50	>50	>50	>50	>50	>50	>50	>50
2	OM-CAP (2)	>50	>50	>50	>50	>50	>50	>50	>50	>50	>50	>50
3	CPPB (5)	>50	35.0	15.0	15.0	25.0	30.0	35.0	25.0	35.0	>50	>50
4	I-CPPB (6)	>50	35.0	25.0	25.0	35.0	40.0	45.0	30.0	50.0	>50	>50
5	Tunicamycin (11)	1.70	2.50	0.92	0.92	1.25	1.50	1.50	0.45	1.50	7.5	0.78

Cytotoxicity of Capuramycin, Capuramycin Analogues, and Tunicamycin.

CAP: Capuramycin.; OM-CAP: *O*-Methyl capuramycin.; CPPB: Capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamide.; I-CCB: *iso*-Capuramycin phenoxypiperidinylbenzylamide.; L1210 (ATCC® CCL-219TM): mouse lymphocytic leukemia.; KB (ATCC® CCL-17TM): HeLa, human cervical carcinoma.; SiHa (ATCC® HTB-35TM): human cervical squamous cell carcinoma.; HCT-116 (ATCC® CCL-247TM): colorectal adenocarcinoma.; DLD-1 (ATCC® CCL221TM): colorectal adenocarcinoma.; Capan-1 (ATCC® HTB-79TM): pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma.; PANC-1 (ATCC® CRL-1469TM): pancreatic ductal carcinoma.; AsPC-1 (ATCC® CRL-1682TM): pancreatic adenocarcinoma.; PD002: a pancreatic adenocarcinoma staged at T3N1M0 from a 55 years old Caucasian male in 2011 (provided by Dr. Glazer (University of Tennessee Health Science Center).; hTERT-HPNE (ATCC® CRL-4023TM): normal pancreatic ductal cell.; Vero (ATCC® CCL-81TM): normal Cercopithecus aethiops kidney cell.

^aIC50 values were determined via MTT assay.

Table 3.

Fractional Inhibitory Concentration (FIC) of a Combination of CPPB and Paclitaxel against a Patient-derived Pancreatic Adenocarcinoma PD002.^a

Entry	Combination of A and B^b	C_A and $C_B (\mu M)^c$	ΣFIC ^d
1	A: CPPB	0.10	0.50
	B: Paclitaxel	0.63	
2	A: CPPB 0.10		0.13
	B: Paclitaxel	0.16	
3	A: CPPB	0.20	0.0096
	B: Paclitaxel	0.0049	
4	A: CPPB	0.20	0.021
	B: Paclitaxel	0.020	
5	A: CPPB	0.20	0.26
	B: Paclitaxel	0.031	
6	A: CPPB	2.0	0.021
	B: Paclitaxel	0.020	
7	A: CPPB	2.0	0.037
	B: Paclitaxel	0.039	
8	A: CPPB	2.0	0.26
	B: Paclitaxel	0.31	

 $^{a}\Sigma$ FIC index for the wells at growth–no growth interface.

^bThe IC50 values of CPPB and paclitaxel against PD002 are 35.0 and 1.25 μM, respectively.

 $^{C}C_{A}$ and C_{B} are concentrations of A and B.

 $d_{\Sigma FIC}$ is the sum of fractional inhibitory concentration calculated by the equation $\Sigma FIC = FIC_A + FIC_B = C_A/IC_{50A} + C_B/IC_{50B}$. Cellular behavior of PD002 treated with paclitaxel or a combination with paclitaxel and CPPB was monitored over time by IncuCyte® live cell analysis (Supporting Information).