

Supplementary material

A metabolic modeling approach reveals promising therapeutic targets and antiviral drugs to combat COVID-19

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Table S1. Composition of the viral particles used in the model of SARS-CoV-2 infected cells.

Virion components	Number of molecules per virion
Viral RNA	1
S protein	270
M protein	1440
N protein	758
Cholesterol	1600
Phosphatidylcholine	10800
Phosphatidylethanolamine	4000
Phosphatidylinositol	2100

Docking results:

In order to quantify the interaction between each target enzyme and its putative inhibitors, the ΔG of binding was calculated after docking. The results are shown in the following table.

Table S2. Target-inhibitor binding affinities predicted by docking.

Gene	Uniprot ID	Inhibitor	CID	affinity (kcal/mo)
FAR2	Q96K12	Lonafarnib	148195	-10.9
FAR2	Q96K12	Tipifarnib	159324	-9.5
ALG8	Q9BVK9	Castanospermine	54445	-5.5
CYB5R3	P00387	Propylthiouracil (PTU)	657298	-5.4
CYB5R3	P00387	ZINC39395747	-	-7.5
CYB5R3	P00387	ZINC05626394	-	-6.5
ACSL3	O95573	Triacsin C	9576787	-6.1
SLC27A2	O14975	Diclofenac	3033	-7.2
ZDHHC5	Q9C0B5	2-bromopalmitate	82145	-4.6

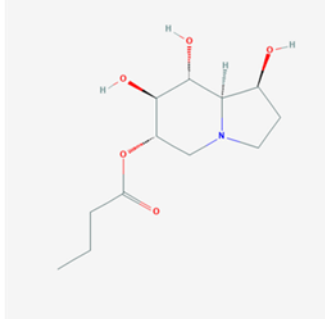
The most negative values of ΔG correspond to the inhibitors of FAR2, Lonafarnib and Tipifarnib, which bind in the same region as NADPH with equal or higher affinity (see the main figure).

Propylthyouracil is a drug already approved against hyperthyroidism, thus it can be particularly interesting for further research. However, the experimental compounds ZINC39395747 and ZINC05626394 have a stronger binding to their substrate CYB5R3. Figure 1 shows the docking results for these three compounds.

List of proposed drugs:

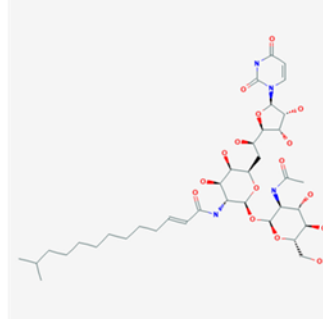
Celgosivir

PubChem CID: 60734
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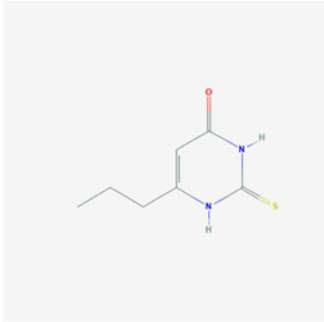
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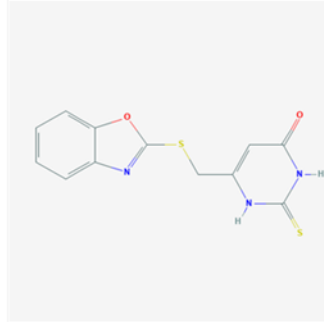
Propylthiouracil

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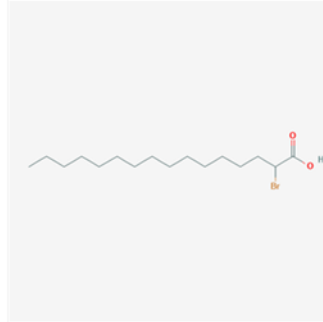
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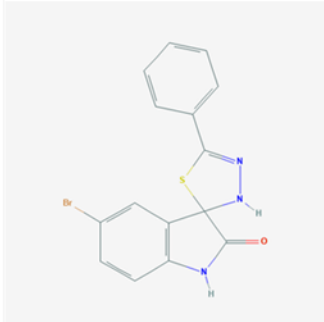
2-Bromohexadecanoic acid

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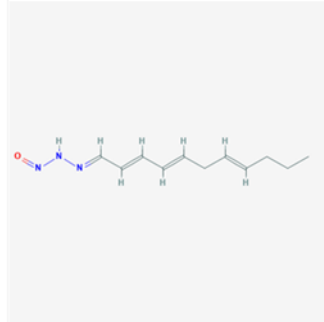
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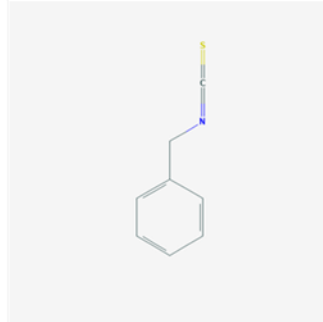
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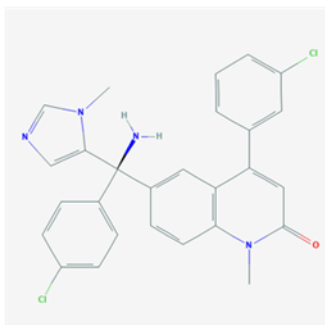
Benzyl isothiocyanate

PubChem CID: 2346
Molecular Formula: C₈H₇NS



Tipifarnib

PubChem CID: 159324
Molecular Formula: C₂₇H₂₂Cl₂N₄O



Lonafarnib

PubChem CID: 148195
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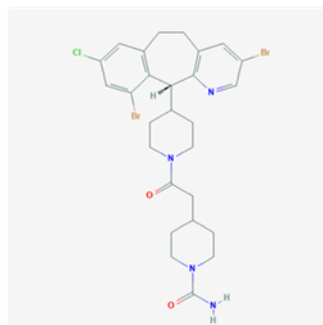


Figure S1. Structures and indentifiers of each of the putative inhibitors identified.