

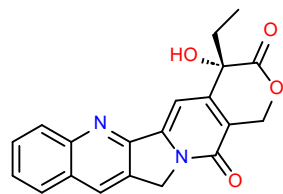
- Indenoisoquinolines are a class of potential anticancer drugs dual-targeting MYC G-quadruplex and Topoisomerase I, therefore inhibiting DNA transcription process.
- MYC is a general transcription “amplifier” and a super enhancer overexpressed in most cancers.
- Several indenoisoquinoline derivatives have completed phase 1 clinical trials, while more recent and potent 7-azaindenoisoquinolines are still under investigation.

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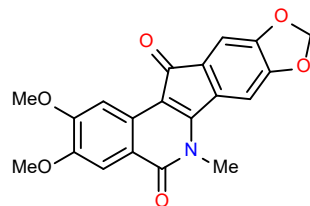
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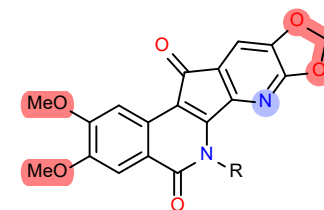
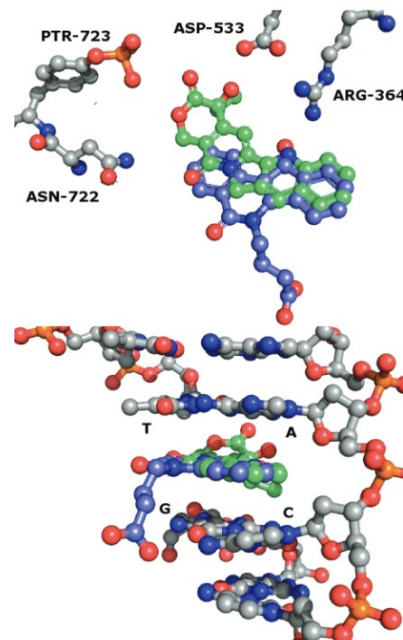
## MOA study & structure investigation



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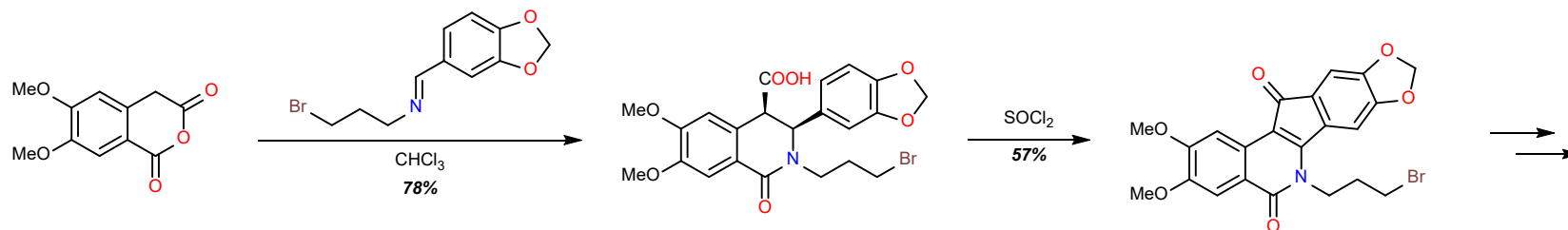
7-Azaindenoisoquinolines

- Byproduct of nitidine chloride synthesis
- Target more specifically
- Enhanced chemical stability

- Electronegative nitrogen atom enhance charge transfer complex formation
- 2,3-dimethoxy and 8,9-methylenedioxy substituents slightly enhance anticancer activity



## indenoisoquinolines



## 7-Azaindenoisoquinolines

