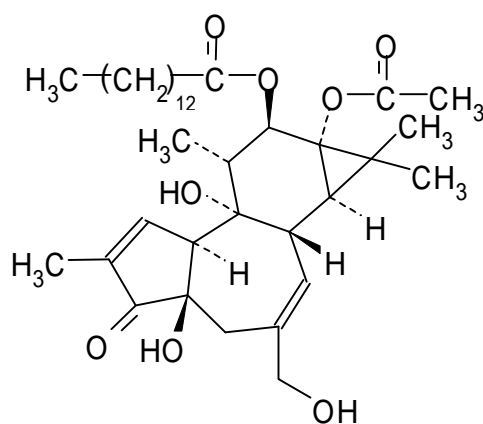


參、抗發炎活性試驗

將前述合成出及經結構判定正確之化合物 21-33、41-48、50-53、61-68、70-73、81-93、101-109、111-114、116-118 及 120-123 提供抗發炎活性試驗，測試之方法分別採用化合物對於 fMLP 誘導的嗜中性白血球去顆粒作用 (neutrophil degranulation) 抑制試驗、化合物對於 fMLP 誘導的嗜中性白血球超氧自由基生成作用 (neutrophil superoxide formation) 抑制試驗及化合物對於 PMA 誘導的嗜中性白血球超氧自由基生成作用 (neutrophil superoxide formation) 抑制試驗，依其抑制百分率來判定其活性強度，篩選結果分別如：Table 13 至 Table 18、Table 19 至 Table 24 及 Table 25 至 Table 30 所示。

fMLP 為一種趨化性 (chemotactic peptide) *N*-formyl-methionylleucylphenylalanine (CHO-Met-Leu-Phe-OH) 之簡稱⁽⁸⁷⁾。*N*-formyl peptide 類化合物的藥理作用之一是促使嗜中性白血球去顆粒作用，故 fMLP 可作為化合物測定抗發炎的藥理活性試驗時之誘導劑。fMLP 除可促使嗜中性白血球去顆粒作用外，亦可促使嗜中性白血球超氧自由基生成作用。

PMA 之全名為 phorbol 12-myristate 13-acetate diester (亦稱 12-*o*-tetradecanoylphorbol-13-acetate；故亦簡稱 TPA)，其結構如下所示：

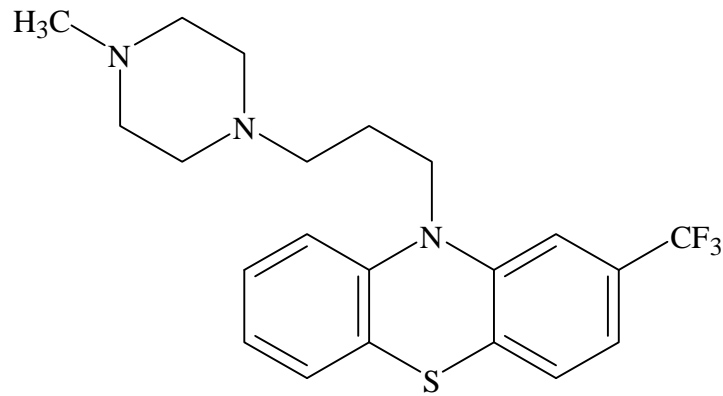


PMA

PMA 與 fMLP 兩者皆能促使嗜中性白血球超氧自由基生成作用，彼此差異在於作用位置不相同，fMLP 會與嗜中性白血球細胞膜上接受器結合產生超氧自由基之生成⁽⁸⁸⁾，而 PMA 則直接進入嗜中性白血球細胞內與細胞內 protein kinase C (PKC) 結合產生超氧自由基生成作用⁽⁸⁹⁾，根據彼此的差異點可知，抗發炎化合物其產生藥理活性的

作用位置。

選用 trifluoperazine⁽⁹⁰⁾ (TFP)當作 positive control 的原因是它可以抑制嗜中性白血球 (neutrophils)釋放出溶菌酵素 (lysozyme) , 同時減少 O_2^- 的形成, 而它的作用是 calmodulin antagonist 和 protein kinase C inhibitor。



trifluoperazine

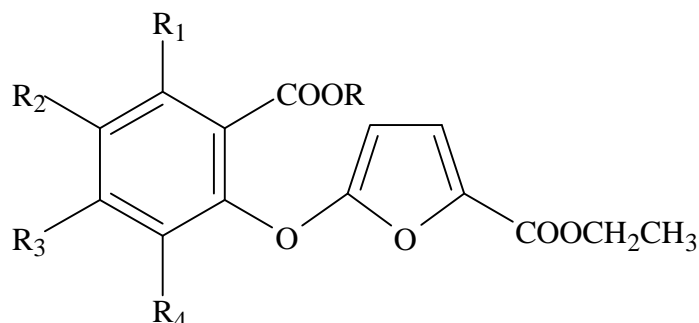
由測試的結果發現：

(一)對於fMLP誘導的嗜中性白血球去顆粒作用抑制試驗

從化合物21-33、41-48、50-53、61-68、70-73、81-93、101-109、111-114、116-118及120-123對以fMLP誘導的嗜中性白血球去顆粒作用之體外試驗中，由 β -glucuronidase或lysozyme的抑制百分率（見Table 13至Table 18）看來，在濃度30 μ M時，化合物26、27、30、33、41、42、50、53、61-63、65、68、71、81、83-85、87、88、90、92、93及113分別呈現弱的抑制活性（具有約20-42%的抑制百分率），但是發現化合物25、28及32呈現明顯的抑制活性，其抑制 β -glucuronidase的 IC_{50} 值分別為 $10.5 \pm 0.8 \mu$ M、 $35.7 \pm 3.8 \mu$ M及 $12.7 \pm 4.4 \mu$ M，而抑制lysozyme的 IC_{50} 值分別為 $15.5 \pm 2.8 \mu$ M、 $50.6 \pm 4.6 \mu$ M及 $18.5 \pm 5.3 \mu$ M。其他化合物則無明顯的抑制活性。

綜合上述，發現 ethyl 5-(2'-alkoxycarbonyl substituted phenoxy)-furan-2-carboxylates (21-33)類衍生物的活性較明顯。在ethyl 5-(2'-alkoxycarbonyl substituted phenoxy)furan-2-carboxylates (21-33)類衍生物中將甲基、甲氧基或溴原子導入苯環時，具有較高的活性，而化合物 ethyl 5-(2'-methoxycarbonyl-4'-bromophenoxy)furan-2-carboxylate (32)的 IC_{50} 值（抑制 β -glucuronidase的 $IC_{50} = 12.7 \pm 4.4 \mu$ M及抑制lysozyme的 $IC_{50} = 18.5 \pm 5.3 \mu$ M）約為trifluoperazine之 IC_{50} 值（抑制 β -glucuronidase的 $IC_{50} = 24.4 \pm 0.5 \mu$ M及抑制lysozyme的 $IC_{50} = 22.8 \pm 0.5 \mu$ M）的二分之一倍，化合物 ethyl 5-(2'-ethoxycarbonyl-3'-methyl-phenoxy)furan-2-carboxylate (25)的 IC_{50} 值（抑制 β -glucuronidase的 $IC_{50} = 10.5 \pm 0.8 \mu$ M及抑制lysozyme的 $IC_{50} = 15.5 \pm 2.8 \mu$ M）約與trifluoperazine的 IC_{50} 值（抑制 β -glucuronidase的 $IC_{50} = 14.2 \pm 0.7 \mu$ M及抑制lysozyme的 $IC_{50} = 16.0 \pm 0.9 \mu$ M）相當，化合物 ethyl 5-(2'-methoxy-carbonyl-4'-methoxyphenoxy)furan-2-carboxylate (28)的 IC_{50} 值（抑制 β -glucuronidase的 $IC_{50} = 35.7 \pm 3.8 \mu$ M及抑制lysozyme的 $IC_{50} = 50.6 \pm 4.6 \mu$ M）約為trifluoperazine之 IC_{50} 值（抑制 β -glucuronidase的 $IC_{50} = 24.4 \pm 0.5 \mu$ M及抑制lysozyme的 $IC_{50} = 22.8 \pm 0.5 \mu$ M）的二倍。與甲基、甲氧基或溴原子相較之下，若將碘原子導入苯環，則其活性降低，此外，若將氯原子導入苯環，則其活性降得更低。

Table 13. The inhibitory effect of ethyl 5-(2'-alkoxycarbonyl substituted phenoxy)-furan-2-carboxylates on rat neutrophil degranulation (*in vitro*)



- 21:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=R₄=H **28:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=OCH₃
22: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=CH₃ **29:** R=CH₃, R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=OCH₃
23: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=CH₃ **30:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=Cl
24: R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=CH₃ **31:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Cl
25: R=C₂H₅, R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=CH₃ **32:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Br
26: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=OCH₃ **33:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=I
27: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=OCH₃

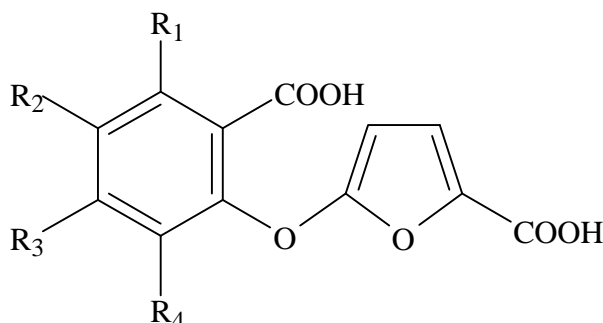
| | | Percent Release | | | |
|-----------|------------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| Compound | conc. (μM) | -Glucuronidase | (%inh) | Lysozyme | (%inh) |
| | Control | 15.1 ± 0.9 | -- | 30.4 ± 1.2 | -- |
| 21 | (30) | 13.8 ± 0.3 | 9.0 ± 4.5 | 22.9 ± 1.0* | 28.0 ± 5.1 |
| | (100) | 13.5 ± 2.3 | 7.2 ± 10.7 | 24.8 ± 3.3 | 24.7 ± 6.6 |
| 22 | (30) | 12.8 ± 1.8 | 18.8 ± 9.0 | 28.0 ± 1.8 | 11.2 ± 6.3 |
| | (100) | 12.7 ± 1.8 | 14.7 ± 8.3 | 31.7 ± 2.5 | 3.0 ± 3.9 |
| 23 | (30) | 13.5 ± 1.5 | 8.3 ± 8.0 | 28.1 ± 0.3 | 17.1 ± 3.9 |
| | (100) | 16.4 ± 0.9 | -7.7 ± 5.0 | 32.5 ± 3.3 | 6.4 ± 8.3 |
| TFP | (3) | 13.9 ± 2.0 | 9.6 ± 4.8 | 30.5 ± 2.9 | 8.7 ± 4.1 |
| | (10) | 8.1 ± 0.8* | 52.1 ± 7.1 | 15.1 ± 1.2** | 52.7 ± 3.7 |
| | (30) | 2.2 ± 1.3** | 87.8 ± 4.5 | 3.2 ± 1.7** | 89.7 ± 4.8 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 14.3 ± 3.9 | | 12.5 ± 3.7 |
| 24 | Control | 22.6 ± 1.7 | -- | 46.4 ± 2.1 | -- |
| | (30) | 22.6 ± 2.5 | -0.4 ± 10.0 | 49.3 ± 6.2 | -5.5 ± 9.2 |
| | (100) | 21.5 ± 0.7 | 3.7 ± 8.2 | 52.5 ± 6.9 | -12.5 ± 10.9 |
| TFP | Control | 14.8 ± 1.0 | -- | 16.7 ± 1.5 | -- |
| | (3) | 13.4 ± 1.2 | 9.6 ± 1.8 | 14.9 ± 0.9 | 10.5 ± 2.2 |
| | (10) | 8.5 ± 1.3** | 43.1 ± 5.3 | 9.7 ± 0.9* | 39.7 ± 9.8 |
| | (30) | 5.1 ± 0.4** | 64.7 ± 3.1 | 6.6 ± 0.4** | 59.5 ± 5.2 |

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| | | IC ₅₀ | 19.3 ± 1.3 | | 21.9 ± 2.5 |
| | Control | 42.5 ± 0.8 | -- | 61.5 ± 3.3 | -- |
| 25 | (3) | 33.9 ± 2.1** | 20.2 ± 3.6 | 54.4 ± 7.0 | 12.2 ± 6.8 |
| | (10) | 14.8 ± 1.6** | 65.1 ± 3.3 | 29.9 ± 6.3** | 51.9 ± 8.0 |
| | (30) | 0.7 ± 0.5** | 98.1 ± 1.4 | 14.3 ± 4.5** | 77.4 ± 6.3 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 10.5 ± 0.8 | | 15.5 ± 2.8 |
| TFP | (3) | 35.2 ± 0.8 | 16.8 ± 2.2 | 55.7 ± 5.3 | 8.9 ± 1.9 |
| | (10) | 22.7 ± 1.6** | 44.9 ± 8.6 | 44.0 ± 6.8 | 28.0 ± 6.1 |
| | (30) | 4.8 ± 0.7** | 88.6 ± 2.7 | 2.0 ± 2.2** | 96.9 ± 4.1 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 14.2 ± 0.7 | | 16.0 ± 0.9 |
| | Control | 24.5 ± 0.3 | -- | 46.1 ± 1.1 | -- |
| 26 | (10) | 21.5 ± 1.3 | 12.0 ± 6.4 | 40.1 ± 1.2 | 13.1 ± 0.8 |
| | (30) | 17.4 ± 0.3** | 29.1 ± 1.9 | 33.7 ± 1.5** | 27.0 ± 1.6 |
| | (100) | 11.2 ± 2.3** | 54.1 ± 9.6 | 28.0 ± 4.2** | 39.5 ± 8.4 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 92.1 ± 12.2 | | |
| 27 | (10) | 22.9 ± 0.4 | 6.4 ± 2.9 | 43.3 ± 3.1 | 5.9 ± 7.8 |
| | (30) | 18.6 ± 1.4** | 23.6 ± 6.8 | 36.9 ± 1.1 | 19.6 ± 3.8 |
| | (100) | 10.7 ± 2.6** | 56.4 ± 10.6 | 23.2 ± 3.5** | 49.6 ± 7.2 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 91.5 ± 12.6 | | |
| 28 | (10) | 18.5 ± 1.2** | 24.6 ± 5.4 | 33.5 ± 0.4** | 27.1 ± 2.6 |
| | (30) | 10.2 ± 1.0** | 58.4 ± 4.6 | 24.5 ± 2.0** | 46.9 ± 3.9 |
| | (100) | 2.3 ± 0.8** | 90.4 ± 3.5 | 13.1 ± 2.1** | 71.7 ± 4.5 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 35.7 ± 3.8 | | 50.6 ± 4.6 |
| TFP | (10) | 27.2 ± 2.8 | -10.9 ± 12.5 | 49.1 ± 2.7 | -7.5 ± 4.8 |
| | (20) | 13.9 ± 1.8** | 43.3 ± 8.2 | 24.1 ± 5.2** | 48.4 ± 4.5 |
| | (30) | 9.6 ± 1.5** | 60.9 ± 7.0 | 11.7 ± 4.7** | 74.9 ± 8.6 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 24.4 ± 0.5 | | 22.8 ± 0.5 |
| | Control | 31.5 ± 1.5 | -- | 60.5 ± 3.7 | -- |
| 29 | (10) | 30.4 ± 1.3 | 3.5 ± 0.7 | 62.2 ± 1.5 | -3.2 ± 4.2 |
| | (30) | 26.0 ± 1.8 | 17.7 ± 3.0 | 56.6 ± 3.6 | 6.4 ± 1.9 |
| | (30) | 30.2 ± 0.9 | 3.4 ± 2.6 | 58.3 ± 0.8 | 2.6 ± 5.4 |
| TFP | (10) | 20.0 ± 0.5** | 35.1 ± 5.1 | 32.9 ± 1.0** | 44.7 ± 4.6 |
| | (30) | 4.5 ± 0.4** | 85.9 ± 1.2 | 9.3 ± 1.1** | 84.8 ± 3.7 |
| | | IC ₅₀ | | 11.3 ± 0.8 | |
| | Control | 24.5 ± 0.3 | -- | 46.1 ± 1.1 | -- |
| 30 | (30) | 21.3 ± 0.6 | 12.9 ± 3.0 | 33.4 ± 1.9* | 27.7 ± 3.4 |
| | (100) | 14.2 ± 2.9** | 41.9 ± 11.4 | 23.2 ± 4.4** | 49.6 ± 9.5 |
| 31 | (30) | 20.6 ± 1.1 | 15.7 ± 5.2 | 39.3 ± 3.1 | 14.9 ± 6.0 |
| | (100) | 20.1 ± 1.5 | 17.9 ± 7.4 | 36.2 ± 2.8 | 21.5 ± 5.8 |
| 32 | (10) | 13.1 ± 1.6** | 46.5 ± 7.0 | 27.9 ± 2.9** | 39.7 ± 5.2 |
| | (30) | 2.7 ± 1.0** | 88.6 ± 4.1 | 12.7 ± 4.0** | 72.3 ± 8.9 |
| | (100) | -0.3 ± 0.5** | 101.3 ± 2.3 | 0.7 ± 1.1** | 98.6 ± 2.6 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 12.7 ± 4.4 | | 18.5 ± 5.3 |
| TFP | (10) | 27.2 ± 2.8 | -10.9 ± 12.5 | 49.1 ± 2.7 | -7.5 ± 4.8 |

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| | (20) | 13.9 ± 1.8** | 43.3 ± 8.2 | 24.1 ± 5.2** | 48.4 ± 4.5 |
| | (30) | 9.6 ± 1.5** | 60.9 ± 7.0 | 11.7 ± 4.7** | 74.9 ± 8.6 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 24.4 ± 0.5 | | 22.8 ± 0.5 |
| 33 | Control | 30.4 ± 0.6 | -- | 64.8 ± 1.6 | -- |
| | (10) | 24.6 ± 3.1* | 19.3 ± 8.6 | 51.7 ± 3.8* | 20.4 ± 4.7 |
| | (30) | 24.1 ± 4.5 | 20.8 ± 13.9 | 44.9 ± 4.3** | 30.8 ± 5.8 |
| TFP | (3) | 31.3 ± 0.3 | -1.0 ± 2.1 | 63.9 ± 5.8 | 2.6 ± 2.1 |
| | (10) | 23.7 ± 1.4** | 23.2 ± 6.5 | 54.4 ± 9.7 | 18.1 ± 10.0 |
| | (20) | 5.5 ± 0.7** | 82.0 ± 2.6 | 2.0 ± 1.3** | 97.2 ± 1.9 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 14.0 ± 0.5 | | 12.6 ± 0.6 |

Neutrophil suspensions were preincubated at 37 °C with 0.5 % DMSO or test compounds in the presence of cytochalasin B (5 µg/ml) for 3 min. Forty-five minutes after the addition of fMLP (1 µM), β-glucuronidase and lysozyme activities in the supernatant were determined. Trifluoperazine (TFP) is a positive control. Values are presented as mean ± S.E., N=3-8. *: P<0.05, **: P<0.01.

Table 14. The inhibitory effect of 5-(2'-carboxyl substituted phenoxy)furan-2-carboxylic acids on rat neutrophil degranulation (*in vitro*)



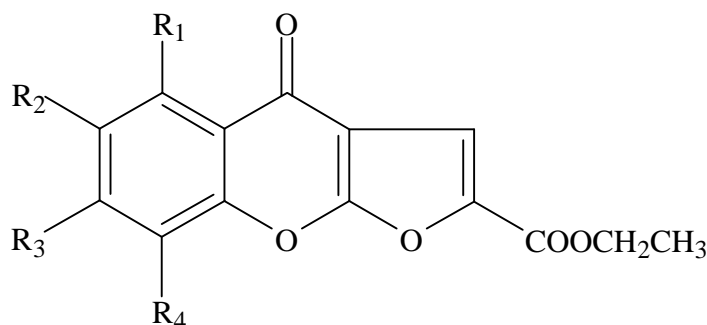
- 41:** R₁=R₂=R₃=R₄=H **47:** R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=OCH₃
42: R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=CH₃ **48:** R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=OCH₃
43: R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=CH₃ **50:** R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=Cl
44: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=CH₃ **51:** R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Cl
45: R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=CH₃ **52:** R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Br
46: R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=OCH₃ **53:** R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=I

| Compound | conc.----- | Percent Release | | | |
|-----------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| | | (µM) | -Glucuronidase (%inh) | Lysozyme | (%inh) |
| 41 | Control | 15.1 ± 0.9 | -- | 30.4 ± 1.2 | -- |
| | (30) | 10.8 ± 0.3 | 30.8 ± 5.4 | 28.3 ± 1.0 | 9.4 ± 5.9 |
| | (100) | 12.5 ± 2.0 | 14.6 ± 10.1 | 25.2 ± 0.9* | 22.0 ± 4.4 |
| 42 | (10) | 13.7 ± 1.7 | 12.1 ± 6.2 | -- | -- |
| | (30) | 11.6 ± 0.2* | 25.1 ± 3.3 | 32.8 ± 1.2 | -3.0 ± 3.8 |
| | (100) | 14.0 ± 0.6 | 7.0 ± 5.3 | 35.9 ± 4.0 | -11.5 ± 5.3 |
| 43 | (30) | 10.0 ± 0.2** | 36.9 ± 4.8 | 30.7 ± 0.7 | -0.3 ± 3.9 |
| | (100) | 10.7 ± 0.9* | 33.9 ± 4.3 | 32.4 ± 2.1 | -0.5 ± 4.8 |
| TFP | (3) | 13.9 ± 2.0 | 9.6 ± 4.8 | 30.5 ± 2.9 | 8.7 ± 4.1 |
| | (10) | 8.1 ± 0.8* | 52.1 ± 7.1 | 15.1 ± 1.2** | 52.7 ± 3.7 |
| | (30) | 2.2 ± 1.3** | 87.8 ± 4.5 | 3.2 ± 1.7** | 89.7 ± 4.8 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 14.3 ± 3.9 | | 12.5 ± 3.7 |
| 44 | Control | 22.6 ± 1.7 | -- | 46.4 ± 2.1 | -- |
| | (30) | 21.0 ± 0.7 | 6.1 ± 4.5 | 47.5 ± 1.6 | -3.2 ± 8.0 |
| | (100) | 18.6 ± 2.9 | 18.9 ± 7.3 | 48.0 ± 6.6 | -2.9 ± 10.3 |
| TFP | Control | 14.8 ± 1.0 | -- | 16.7 ± 1.5 | -- |
| | (3) | 13.4 ± 1.2 | 9.6 ± 1.8 | 14.9 ± 0.9 | 10.5 ± 2.2 |
| | (10) | 8.5 ± 1.3** | 43.1 ± 5.3 | 9.7 ± 0.9* | 39.7 ± 9.8 |
| | (30) | 5.1 ± 0.4** | 64.7 ± 3.1 | 6.6 ± 0.4** | 59.5 ± 5.2 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 19.3 ± 1.3 | | 21.9 ± 2.5 |

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|-----------|------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| | Control | 42.5 ± 0.8 | -- | 61.5 ± 3.3 | -- |
| 45 | (10) | 35.9 ± 2.5* | 15.4 ± 4.5 | 56.7 ± 5.4 | 8.1 ± 4.4 |
| | (30) | 36.7 ± 2.6* | 13.5 ± 4.7 | 59.1 ± 5.0 | 4.1 ± 3.6 |
| TFP | (3) | 35.2 ± 0.8 | 16.8 ± 2.2 | 55.7 ± 5.3 | 8.9 ± 1.9 |
| | (10) | 22.7 ± 1.6** | 44.9 ± 8.6 | 44.0 ± 6.8 | 28.0 ± 6.1 |
| | (30) | 4.8 ± 0.7** | 88.6 ± 2.7 | 2.0 ± 2.2** | 96.9 ± 4.1 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 14.2 ± 0.7 | | 16.0 ± 0.9 |
| | Control | 24.5 ± 0.3 | -- | 46.1 ± 1.1 | -- |
| 46 | (30) | 22.3 ± 0.5 | 8.8 ± 3.1 | 45.3 ± 0.8 | 1.6 ± 3.5 |
| | (100) | 22.9 ± 1.5 | 6.1 ± 6.9 | 39.6 ± 1.5 | 13.7 ± 4.8 |
| 47 | (30) | 24.8 ± 0.5 | -1.4 ± 3.2 | 43.3 ± 2.6 | 6.1 ± 5.0 |
| | (100) | 21.0 ± 0.9 | 14.5 ± 2.9 | 41.3 ± 3.2 | 10.5 ± 6.4 |
| 48 | (30) | 21.8 ± 0.9 | 10.9 ± 4.5 | 43.6 ± 3.4 | 5.6 ± 5.8 |
| | (100) | 20.7 ± 1.0 | 15.5 ± 4.2 | 41.3 ± 3.3 | 10.9 ± 5.1 |
| 50 | (10) | 22.1 ± 0.8 | 9.9 ± 3.0 | 42.0 ± 2.6 | 8.9 ± 4.5 |
| | (30) | 14.6 ± 1.4** | 40.6 ± 5.8 | 30.3 ± 3.7** | 34.3 ± 7.8 |
| | (100) | 10.9 ± 1.8** | 55.3 ± 8.4 | 15.8 ± 1.8** | 66.0 ± 3.1 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 66.6 ± 4.1 | | 68.0 ± 5.7 |
| 51 | (30) | 20.4 ± 1.8 | 17.8 ± 7.9 | 41.0 ± 1.6 | 11.1 ± 2.1 |
| | (100) | 17.7 ± 1.7** | 27.8 ± 7.0 | 32.3 ± 2.4** | 30.0 ± 5.0 |
| 52 | (30) | 21.1 ± 0.7 | 13.9 ± 3.1 | 41.2 ± 2.4 | 10.7 ± 3.8 |
| | (100) | 22.3 ± 1.8 | 9.1 ± 8.1 | 37.2 ± 2.4 | 19.3 ± 5.4 |
| TFP | (10) | 27.2 ± 2.8 | -10.9 ± 12.5 | 49.1 ± 2.7 | -7.5 ± 4.8 |
| | (30) | 13.9 ± 1.8** | 43.3 ± 8.2 | 24.1 ± 5.2** | 48.4 ± 4.5 |
| | (100) | 9.6 ± 1.5** | 60.9 ± 7.0 | 11.7 ± 4.7** | 74.9 ± 8.6 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 24.4 ± 0.5 | | 22.8 ± 0.5 |
| | Control | 30.4 ± 0.6 | -- | 64.8 ± 1.6 | -- |
| 53 | (10) | 24.2 ± 2.6** | 20.6 ± 7.3 | 54.8 ± 4.3 | 15.5 ± 5.3 |
| | (30) | 22.0 ± 3.3** | 27.9 ± 9.7 | 49.5 ± 5.2* | 23.7 ± 6.8 |
| TFP | (3) | 31.3 ± 0.3 | -1.0 ± 2.1 | 63.9 ± 5.8 | 2.6 ± 2.1 |
| | (10) | 23.7 ± 1.4** | 23.2 ± 6.5 | 54.4 ± 9.7 | 18.1 ± 10.0 |
| | (20) | 5.5 ± 0.7** | 82.0 ± 2.6 | 2.0 ± 1.3** | 97.2 ± 1.9 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 14.0 ± 0.5 | | 12.6 ± 0.6 |

Neutrophil suspensions were preincubated at 37 °C with 0.5 % DMSO or test compounds in the presence of cytochalasin B (5 µg/ml) for 3 min. Forty-five minutes after the addition of fMLP (1 µM), β-glucuronidase and lysozyme activities in the supernatant were determined. Trifluoperazine (TFP) is a positive control. Values are presented as mean ± S.E., -- not determined. N=3-8. *: P<0.05, **: P<0.01.

Table 15. The inhibitory effect of substituted furo[2,3-*b*]chromone-2-carboxylic acid ethyl esters on rat neutrophil degranulation (*in vitro*)



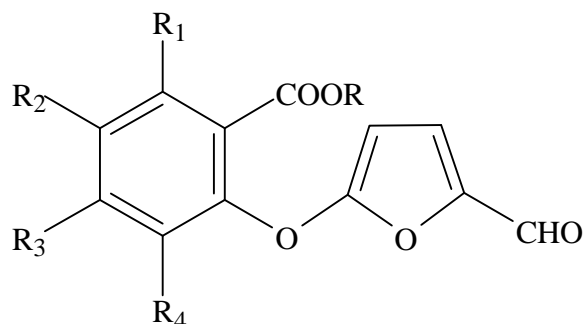
- 61:** R₁=R₂=R₃=R₄=H **67:** R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=OCH₃
62: R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=CH₃ **68:** R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=OCH₃
63: R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=CH₃ **70:** R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=Cl
64: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=CH₃ **71:** R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Cl
65: R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=CH₃ **72:** R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Br
66: R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=OCH₃ **73:** R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=I

| Compound | conc. (µM) | Percent Release | | | |
|-----------|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|
| | | -Glucuronidase (%inh) | Lysozyme (%inh) | | |
| | Control | 15.1 ± 0.9 | -- | 30.4 ± 1.2 | -- |
| 61 | (10) | 9.8 ± 0.7** | 37.5 ± 3.9 | -- | -- |
| | (30) | 11.9 ± 1.4* | 24.8 ± 7.1 | 23.8 ± 2.1* | 7.3 ± 7.0 |
| | (100) | 7.4 ± 1.1** | 56.0 ± 5.0 | 16.4 ± 1.1** | 34.1 ± 5.9 |
| | IC ₅₀ | 70.5 ± 7.8 | | | |
| 62 | (10) | 13.4 ± 2.1* | 12.5 ± 10.2 | -- | -- |
| | (30) | 9.9 ± 0.3** | 38.3 ± 2.9 | 31.2 ± 4.6 | 10.9 ± 11.5 |
| | (100) | 7.7 ± 0.5** | 52.1 ± 2.8 | 24.2 ± 2.7 | 29.7 ± 5.8 |
| | IC ₅₀ | 77.2 ± 8.1 | | | |
| TFP | (3) | 13.9 ± 2.0 | 9.6 ± 4.8 | 30.5 ± 2.9 | 8.7 ± 4.1 |
| | (10) | 8.1 ± 0.8* | 52.1 ± 7.1 | 15.1 ± 1.2** | 52.7 ± 3.7 |
| | (30) | 2.2 ± 1.3** | 87.8 ± 4.5 | 3.2 ± 1.7** | 89.7 ± 4.8 |
| | IC ₅₀ | 14.3 ± 3.9 | | 12.5 ± 3.7 | |
| 63 | Control | 22.6 ± 1.7 | -- | 46.4 ± 2.1 | -- |
| | (30) | 17.9 ± 1.1 | 20.6 ± 1.1 | 44.8 ± 1.1 | 3.2 ± 2.7 |
| | (100) | 17.3 ± 1.8 | 23.7 ± 3.5 | 49.2 ± 6.0 | -5.5 ± 8.3 |
| 64 | (30) | 16.1 ± 2.0 | 29.0 ± 4.7 | 50.5 ± 6.0 | -8.8 ± 10.8 |
| | (100) | 14.9 ± 1.6 | 34.4 ± 3.0 | 29.4 ± 3.4 | 36.3 ± 8.0 |
| TFP | Control | 14.8 ± 1.0 | -- | 16.7 ± 1.5 | -- |
| | (3) | 13.4 ± 1.2 | 9.6 ± 1.8 | 14.9 ± 0.9 | 10.5 ± 2.2 |

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| | (10) | 8.5 ± 1.3** | 43.1 ± 5.3 | 9.7 ± 0.9* | 39.7 ± 9.8 |
| | (30) | 5.1 ± 0.4** | 64.7 ± 3.1 | 6.6 ± 0.4** | 59.5 ± 5.2 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 19.3 ± 1.3 | | 21.9 ± 2.5 |
| | Control | 21.6 ± 0.6 | -- | 54.7 ± 1.6 | -- |
| 65 | (10) | 22.1 ± 0.4 | -2.7 ± 4.7 | 46.0 ± 7.5 | 16.4 ± 11.8 |
| | (30) | 16.7 ± 1.4** | 22.1 ± 8.4 | 40.7 ± 4.3** | 25.8 ± 5.8 |
| 66 | (10) | 18.3 ± 0.5** | 15.0 ± 5.2 | 43.9 ± 5.6* | 20.0 ± 8.1 |
| | (30) | 19.6 ± 0.1* | 8.9 ± 3.2 | 47.9 ± 4.5 | 12.6 ± 5.9 |
| 67 | (10) | 19.4 ± 0.6* | 10.0 ± 2.7 | 49.3 ± 2.5 | 9.6 ± 5.3 |
| | (30) | 18.1 ± 0.7** | 15.9 ± 3.0 | 48.3 ± 3.3 | 11.6 ± 5.1 |
| 68 | (10) | 17.9 ± 0.3** | 16.9 ± 3.0 | 45.9 ± 3.7 | 16.2 ± 4.5 |
| | (30) | 17.4 ± 0.2** | 17.7 ± 2.1 | 38.7 ± 6.5** | 27.8 ± 10.1 |
| TFP | (3) | 24.8 ± 2.0 | -14.6 ± 12.7 | 64.9 ± 6.7 | -17.6 ± 11.5 |
| | (10) | 17.0 ± 2.0** | 21.3 ± 11.4 | 45.6 ± 3.2 | 17.5 ± 3.1 |
| | (30) | 2.6 ± 0.7** | 87.8 ± 3.4 | 1.3 ± 2.7** | 97.3 ± 4.9 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 18.9 ± 2.1 | | 18.3 ± 0.9 |
| | Control | 32.5 ± 0.4 | -- | 48.2 ± 3.0 | -- |
| 70 | (10) | 29.2 ± 1.1 | 10.1 ± 4.7 | 44.9 ± 3.4 | 6.7 ± 1.5 |
| | (30) | 27.3 ± 1.1 | 15.9 ± 4.5 | 45.8 ± 2.8 | 4.9 ± 3.1 |
| 71 | (10) | 29.2 ± 0.7 | 10.1 ± 3.1 | 47.1 ± 3.5 | 2.4 ± 2.4 |
| | (30) | 22.6 ± 1.3** | 30.6 ± 3.6 | 38.3 ± 5.1 | 20.9 ± 7.0 |
| 72 | (10) | 30.5 ± 0.5 | 6.1 ± 0.8 | 51.2 ± 3.0 | -6.4 ± 2.0 |
| | (30) | 32.3 ± 0.7 | 0.9 ± 1.2 | 51.4 ± 4.2 | -6.4 ± 3.1 |
| 73 | (10) | 32.7 ± 2.3 | -0.7 ± 8.2 | 53.1 ± 2.0 | -10.7 ± 5.1 |
| | (30) | 31.3 ± 0.5 | 3.8 ± 1.4 | 48.4 ± 3.3 | -0.4 ± 2.4 |
| TFP | (3) | 37.8 ± 1.3 | -14.6 ± 12.7 | 56.7 ± 4.0 | -17.6 ± 11.5 |
| | (10) | 24.9 ± 1.3** | 21.3 ± 11.4 | 39.4 ± 1.9 | 17.5 ± 3.1 |
| | (30) | 3.7 ± 0.4** | 87.8 ± 3.4 | 1.1 ± 1.6** | 97.3 ± 4.9 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 18.9 ± 2.1 | | 18.3 ± 0.9 |

Neutrophil suspensions were preincubated at 37 °C with 0.5 % DMSO or test compounds in the presence of cytochalasin B (5 μg/ml) for 3 min. Forty-five minutes after the addition of fMLP (1 μM), β-glucuronidase and lysozyme activities in the supernatant were determined. Trifluoperazine (TFP) is a positive control. Values are presented as mean ± S.E., -- not determined. N=3-8. *: P<0.05, **: P<0.01.

Table 16. The inhibitory effect of 5-(2'-alkoxycarbonyl substituted phenoxy)furfurals on rat neutrophil degranulation (*in vitro*)



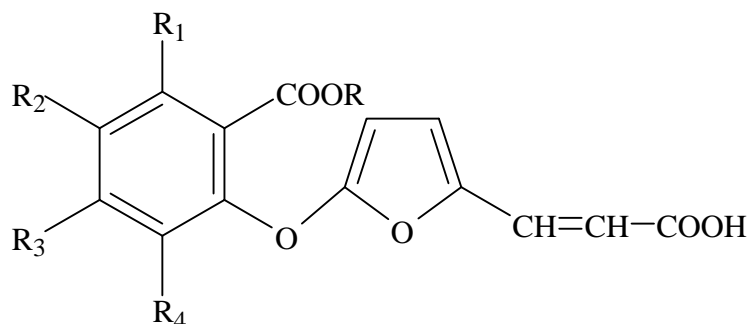
- 81:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=R₄=H **88:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=OCH₃
82: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=CH₃ **89:** R=CH₃, R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=OCH₃
83: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=CH₃ **90:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=Cl
84: R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=CH₃ **91:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Cl
85: R=C₂H₅, R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=CH₃ **92:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Br
86: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=OCH₃ **93:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=I
87: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=OCH₃

| Compound | conc. (µM) | Percent Release | | | |
|-----------|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|
| | | -Glucuronidase (%inh) | Lysozyme (%inh) | | |
| | Control | 20.2 ± 0.6 | -- | 25.6 ± 0.7 | -- |
| 81 | (10) | 18.3 ± 0.6 | 9.4 ± 4.1 | 21.9 ± 0.5 | 14.3 ± 0.8 |
| | (30) | 16.5 ± 0.6** | 18.1 ± 4.5 | 14.8 ± 0.1** | 41.9 ± 1.9 |
| 82 | (10) | 19.8 ± 0.6 | 1.8 ± 2.8 | 33.7 ± 3.3 | -30.8 ± 9.3 |
| | (30) | 16.8 ± 0.8** | 17.6 ± 4.7 | 20.8 ± 1.2 | 18.1 ± 7.7 |
| 83 | (10) | 17.1 ± 0.6* | 15.3 ± 3.6 | 24.5 ± 1.3 | 4.3 ± 2.4 |
| | (30) | 15.9 ± 0.8** | 21.2 ± 6.0 | 16.1 ± 2.2** | 37.6 ± 6.9 |
| 84 | (10) | 18.0 ± 0.4 | 10.7 ± 2.8 | 37.3 ± 8.6 | -43.6 ± 8.0 |
| | (30) | 15.1 ± 0.4** | 25.3 ± 1.1 | 17.5 ± 2.3** | 32.1 ± 7.0 |
| 85 | (10) | 18.4 ± 1.2 | 9.0 ± 4.5 | 32.9 ± 1.3 | -28.4 ± 1.2 |
| | (30) | 15.8 ± 1.1* | 21.6 ± 7.8 | 20.7 ± 1.4 | 18.5 ± 8.5 |
| TFP | (3) | 20.4 ± 0.6 | -0.8 ± 0.2 | 27.5 ± 0.8 | -7.6 ± 5.7 |
| | (10) | 15.1 ± 0.6** | 25.4 ± 0.8 | 16.8 ± 0.4** | 34.4 ± 0.3 |
| | (30) | 2.4 ± 0.4** | 87.7 ± 2.1 | 1.8 ± 0.8** | 92.5 ± 3.4 |
| | IC ₅₀ | 12.9 ± 0.2 | | 12.0 ± 0.5 | |
| 86 | Control | 31.5 ± 1.5 | -- | 60.5 ± 3.7 | -- |
| | (10) | 25.3 ± 1.0 | 19.6 ± 1.7 | 60.7 ± 5.1 | -0.06 ± 2.2 |

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| 87 | (30) | 26.4 ± 2.3 | 16.5 ± 3.3 | 59.5 ± 7.5 | 2.4 ± 6.6 |
| | (10) | 27.1 ± 1.2 | 13.8 ± 0.5 | 60.5 ± 4.1 | 0.09 ± 1.0 |
| | (30) | 24.2 ± 1.9* | 23.2 ± 3.2 | 54.7 ± 6.5 | 10.3 ± 5.2 |
| 88 | (10) | 28.6 ± 2.4 | 9.4 ± 3.4 | 59.6 ± 4.2 | 1.6 ± 2.7 |
| | (30) | 22.6 ± 0.8* | 28.2 ± 2.0 | 50.8 ± 6.0 | 16.7 ± 4.5 |
| 89 | (10) | 27.4 ± 3.1 | 13.3 ± 7.4 | 60.1 ± 3.0 | 0.3 ± 3.8 |
| | (30) | 25.6 ± 2.5 | 19.1 ± 4.1 | 58.2 ± 4.2 | 3.9 ± 1.8 |
| 90 | (10) | 26.4 ± 3.8 | 17.0 ± 9.0 | 56.3 ± 10.0 | 8.0 ± 12.5 |
| | (30) | 23.6 ± 1.3* | 25.0 ± 1.1 | 53.2 ± 5.7 | 12.4 ± 4.4 |
| 91 | (10) | 31.4 ± 1.9 | 0.3 ± 2.1 | 61.1 ± 3.3 | -1.0 ± 1.6 |
| | (30) | 29.2 ± 2.3 | 7.5 ± 3.1 | 56.4 ± 4.4 | 6.9 ± 2.0 |
| 92 | (10) | 24.5 ± 2.9 | 22.5 ± 6.5 | -1.4 ± 4.9 | -1.4 ± 4.9 |
| | (30) | 22.8 ± 1.7* | 27.6 ± 2.1 | 54.9 ± 3.4 | 9.1 ± 1.7 |
| 93 | (10) | 27.3 ± 1.8 | 13.4 ± 1.5 | 59.7 ± 2.7 | 1.1 ± 2.3 |
| | (30) | 20.8 ± 1.5** | 34.1 ± 2.4 | 49.5 ± 2.3 | 18.1 ± 1.3 |
| TFP | (3) | 30.2 ± 0.9 | 3.4 ± 2.6 | 58.3 ± 0.8 | 2.6 ± 5.4 |
| | (10) | 20.0 ± 0.5** | 35.1 ± 5.1 | 32.9 ± 1.0** | 44.7 ± 4.6 |
| | (30) | 4.5 ± 0.4** | 85.9 ± 1.2 | 9.3 ± 1.1** | 84.8 ± 3.7 |
| IC ₅₀ | | 11.3 ± 0.8 | | 11.0 ± 0.2 | |

Neutrophil suspensions were preincubated at 37 °C with 0.5 % DMSO or test compounds in the presence of cytochalasin B (5 μg/ml) for 3 min. Forty-five minutes after the addition of fMLP (1 μM), β-glucuronidase and lysozyme activities in the supernatant were determined. Trifluoperazine (TFP) is a positive control. Values are presented as mean ± S.E., N=3. *: P<0.05, **: P<0.01.

Table 17. The inhibitory effect of 5-(2'-alkoxycarbonyl substituted phenoxy)-2-furanacrylic acids on rat neutrophil degranulation (*in vitro*)



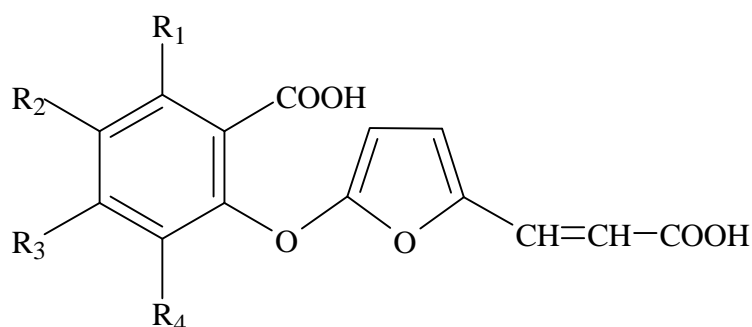
- 101:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=R₄=H **106:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=OCH₃
102: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=CH₃ **107:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=OCH₃
103: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=CH₃ **108:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=OCH₃
104: R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=CH₃ **109:** R=CH₃, R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=OCH₃
105: R=C₂H₅, R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=CH₃

| Compound | conc. (μM) | Percent Release | | | |
|------------|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | -Glucuronidase (%inh) | Lysozyme (%inh) | | |
| | Control | 20.2 ± 0.6 | -- | 25.6 ± 0.7 | -- |
| 101 | (10) | 19.9 ± 0.8 | 1.5 ± 5.7 | 47.9 ± 4.8** | -85.9 ± 13.6 |
| | (30) | 18.4 ± 0.9 | 8.8 ± 5.6 | 41.1 ± 5.1* | -59.1 ± 15.6 |
| 102 | (10) | 19.6 ± 0.5 | 2.9 ± 1.3 | 40.1 ± 5.7* | -55.2 ± 12.3 |
| | (30) | 21.5 ± 0.8 | -5.9 ± 1.6 | 40.2 ± 8.1 | -55.2 ± 17.8 |
| 103 | (10) | 16.5 ± 0.5** | 18.4 ± 2.0 | 41.3 ± 4.2** | -60.4 ± 11.9 |
| | (30) | 15.9 ± 0.5** | 21.3 ± 0.2 | 33.9 ± 7.1 | -30.6 ± 15.7 |
| 104 | (10) | 18.4 ± 0.5 | 9.0 ± 1.3 | 40.8 ± 4.6* | -58.4 ± 13.8 |
| | (30) | 18.0 ± 0.4 | 10.7 ± 2.4 | 37.6 ± 5.6 | -45.5 ± 18.0 |
| 105 | (10) | 19.7 ± 0.2 | 2.3 ± 1.9 | 37.3 ± 3.4* | -45.0 ± 8.9 |
| | (30) | 21.3 ± 0.7 | -5.2 ± 1.1 | 33.6 ± 0.5 | -31.4 ± 6.1 |
| TFP | (3) | 20.4 ± 0.6 | -0.8 ± 0.2 | 27.5 ± 0.8 | -7.6 ± 5.7 |
| | (10) | 15.1 ± 0.6** | 25.4 ± 0.8 | 16.8 ± 0.4** | 34.4 ± 0.3 |
| | (30) | 2.4 ± 0.4** | 87.7 ± 2.1 | 1.8 ± 0.8** | 92.5 ± 3.4 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 12.9 ± 0.2 | | 12.0 ± 0.5 |
| | Control | 31.5 ± 1.5 | -- | 60.5 ± 3.7 | -- |
| 106 | (10) | 31.2 ± 2.0 | 1.1 ± 2.1 | 63.2 ± 2.5 | -4.6 ± 3.1 |
| | (30) | 28.4 ± 4.1 | 10.6 ± 8.9 | 58.9 ± 6.3 | 3.0 ± 7.1 |
| 107 | (10) | 32.6 ± 2.7 | -3.0 ± 4.1 | 63.7 ± 2.8 | -5.5 ± 3.9 |

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|------------------------|------|--------------|-------------|--------------|------------|
| 108 | (30) | 29.8 ± 1.9 | 5.6 ± 1.8 | 61.5 ± 2.1 | -1.9 ± 2.8 |
| | (10) | 33.6 ± 2.6 | -6.3 ± 4.0 | 62.4 ± 2.8 | -3.4 ± 2.8 |
| | (30) | 31.8 ± 2.0 | -0.7 ± 1.8 | 63.5 ± 2.7 | -5.2 ± 2.7 |
| 109 | (10) | 35.8 ± 1.9 | -13.6 ± 1.7 | 64.2 ± 2.4 | -6.3 ± 2.4 |
| | (30) | 35.3 ± 2.6 | -11.8 ± 3.5 | 63.1 ± 2.8 | -4.5 ± 2.3 |
| TFP | (3) | 30.2 ± 0.9 | 3.4 ± 2.6 | 58.3 ± 0.8 | 2.6 ± 5.4 |
| | (10) | 20.0 ± 0.5** | 35.1 ± 5.1 | 32.9 ± 1.0** | 44.7 ± 4.6 |
| | (30) | 4.5 ± 0.4** | 85.9 ± 1.2 | 9.3 ± 1.1** | 84.8 ± 3.7 |
| IC₅₀ | | | 11.3 ± 0.8 | | 11.0 ± 0.2 |

Neutrophil suspensions were preincubated at 37 °C with 0.5 % DMSO or test compounds in the presence of cytochalasin B (5 μg/ml) for 3 min. Forty-five minutes after the addition of fMLP (1 μM), β-glucuronidase and lysozyme activities in the supernatant were determined. Trifluoperazine (TFP) is a positive control. Values are presented as mean ± S.E., N=3. *: P<0.05, **: P<0.01.

Table 18. The inhibitory effect of 5-(2'-carboxyl substituted phenoxy)-2-furanacrylic acids on rat neutrophil degranulation (*in vitro*)



- 111:** R₁=R₂=R₃=R₄=H
112: R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=CH₃
113: R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=CH₃
114: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=CH₃
116: R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=OCH₃
117: R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=OCH₃
118: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=OCH₃
120: R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=Cl
121: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Cl
122: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Br
123: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=I

| Compound | conc. (μM) | Percent Release | | | |
|------------|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | -Glucuronidase (%inh) | Lysozyme (%inh) | | |
| | Control | 20.2 ± 0.6 | -- | 25.6 ± 0.7 | -- |
| 111 | (10) | 19.7 ± 1.2 | 2.7 ± 4.0 | 41.0 ± 6.9* | -58.6 ± 14.8 |
| | (30) | 20.4 ± 0.8 | -0.6 ± 1.8 | 37.2 ± 7.8 | -43.5 ± 16.8 |
| 112 | (10) | 16.2 ± 1.8 | 19.2 ± 11.0 | 45.0 ± 3.7** | -74.8 ± 9.4 |
| | (30) | 19.7 ± 0.7 | 2.5 ± 4.6 | 43.0 ± 6.5** | -66.5 ± 14.9 |
| 113 | (10) | 21.1 ± 0.6 | -4.2 ± 2.7 | 37.4 ± 4.2 | -45.2 ± 12.5 |
| | (30) | 15.7 ± 1.9* | 21.7 ± 11.1 | 35.7 ± 4.6 | -38.4 ± 14.1 |
| 114 | (10) | 20.0 ± 0.9 | 0.7 ± 5.8 | 34.1 ± 1.9 | -33.7 ± 11.9 |
| | (30) | 20.7 ± 1.7 | -3.0 ± 10.9 | 35.1 ± 0.9 | -37.5 ± 8.0 |
| TFP | (3) | 20.4 ± 0.6 | -0.8 ± 0.2 | 27.5 ± 0.8 | -7.6 ± 5.7 |
| | (10) | 15.1 ± 0.6** | 25.4 ± 0.8 | 16.8 ± 0.4** | 34.4 ± 0.3 |
| | (30) | 2.4 ± 0.4** | 87.7 ± 2.1 | 1.8 ± 0.8** | 92.5 ± 3.4 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 12.9 ± 0.2 | | 12.0 ± 0.5 |
| | Control | 31.5 ± 1.5 | -- | 60.5 ± 3.7 | -- |
| 116 | (10) | 28.6 ± 2.2 | 9.3 ± 2.9 | 65.8 ± 1.7 | -9.3 ± 5.0 |
| | (30) | 28.3 ± 2.0 | 10.4 ± 2.8 | 63.1 ± 1.7 | -4.7 ± 3.4 |
| 117 | (10) | 31.3 ± 1.8 | 0.7 ± 1.7 | 64.3 ± 0.9 | -6.8 ± 5.1 |
| | (30) | 29.6 ± 1.6 | 6.2 ± 0.7 | 64.6 ± 1.0 | -7.4 ± 5.1 |

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|------------|------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|------------|
| 118 | (10) | 30.6 ± 1.3 | 2.8 ± 1.1 | 64.4 ± 1.5 | -6.9 ± 4.3 |
| | (30) | 30.1 ± 2.3 | 4.8 ± 2.9 | 62.7 ± 2.5 | -3.9 ± 2.5 |
| 120 | (10) | 32.9 ± 2.8 | -4.1 ± 3.9 | 60.3 ± 1.1 | -0.1 ± 4.5 |
| | (30) | 33.2 ± 3.1 | -4.9 ± 5.3 | 62.9 ± 1.6 | -4.3 ± 3.6 |
| 121 | (10) | 35.3 ± 2.3 | -11.7 ± 2.5 | 63.4 ± 2.3 | -5.1 ± 2.8 |
| | (30) | 32.4 ± 2.6 | -2.5 ± 3.6 | 59.9 ± 2.7 | 0.8 ± 2.1 |
| 122 | (10) | 37.0 ± 2.4 | -17.2 ± 2.4 | 64.1 ± 2.8 | -6.2 ± 3.1 |
| | (30) | 35.2 ± 3.4 | -11.3 ± 5.9 | 61.6 ± 2.3 | -2.2 ± 4.8 |
| 123 | (10) | 28.7 ± 3.0 | 9.2 ± 5.8 | 61.9 ± 0.8 | -2.9 ± 4.9 |
| | (30) | 28.5 ± 2.1 | 9.8 ± 2.5 | 61.4 ± 2.0 | -1.7 ± 3.2 |
| TFP | (3) | 30.2 ± 0.9 | 3.4 ± 2.6 | 58.3 ± 0.8 | 2.6 ± 5.4 |
| | (10) | 20.0 ± 0.5** | 35.1 ± 5.1 | 32.9 ± 1.0** | 44.7 ± 4.6 |
| | (30) | 4.5 ± 0.4** | 85.9 ± 1.2 | 9.3 ± 1.1** | 84.8 ± 3.7 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 11.3 ± 0.8 | | 11.0 ± 0.2 |

Neutrophil suspensions were preincubated at 37 °C with 0.5 % DMSO or test compounds in the presence of cytochalasin B (5 µg/ml) for 3 min. Forty-five minutes after the addition of fMLP (1 µM), β-glucuronidase and lysozyme activities in the supernatant were determined. Trifluoperazine (TFP) is a positive control. Values are presented as mean ± S.E., N=3. *: P<0.05, **: P<0.01.

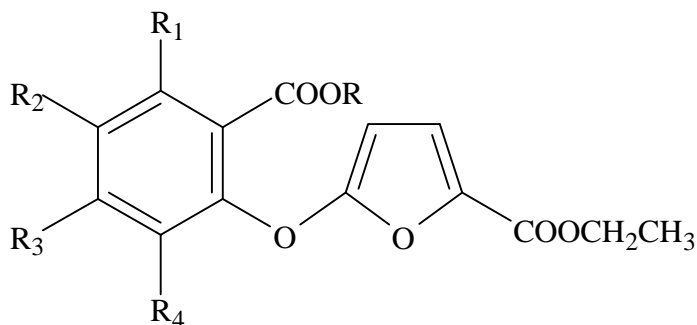
(二)對於fMLP誘導的嗜中性白血球超氧自由基生成作用抑制試驗

從化合物21-33、41-48、50-53、61-68、70-73、81-93、101-109、111-114、116-118及120-123對以fMLP誘導的嗜中性白血球超氧自由基生成作用之體外試驗中，由superoxide formation的抑制百分率（見Table 19至Table 24）看來，在濃度30 μM 時，化合物23、26、27、30、31、44-46、48、51-53、61、62、65-68、70、72、73、81、83-91、101、108、117、118及120分別呈現弱的抑制活性（具有約20-47%的抑制百分率），但是發現化合物25、28、32、50、64、71、92及93呈現明顯的抑制活性，其抑制superoxide formation的 IC_{50} 值分別為15.0 \pm 1.9 μM 、39.9 \pm 2.8 μM 、24.3 \pm 5.1 μM 、35.4 \pm 8.0 μM 、45.0 \pm 3.5 μM 、24.4 \pm 1.5 μM 、13.4 \pm 2.9 μM 及19.6 \pm 5.6 μM 。其他化合物則無明顯的抑制活性。

綜合上述，發現 ethyl 5-(2'-alkoxycarbonyl substituted phenoxy)-furan-2-carboxylates (21-33)類、5-(2'-carboxyl substituted phenoxy)-furan-2-carboxylic acids (41-48 及 50-53)類、substituted furo[2,3-*b*]-chromone-2-carboxylic acid ethyl esters (61-68及70-73)類及5-(2'-alkoxycarbonyl substituted phenoxy)furfurals (81-93)類衍生物的活性較明顯。在 ethyl 5-(2'-alkoxycarbonyl substituted phenoxy)furan-2-carboxylates (21-33)類衍生物中將甲基、甲氧基或溴原子導入苯環時，具有較高的活性，而化合物 ethyl 5-(2'-ethoxycarbonyl-3'-methyl-phenoxy)furan-2-carboxylate (25)的 IC_{50} = 15.0 \pm 1.9 μM 約與trifluoperazine的 IC_{50} = 14.7 \pm 0.4 μM 相當，化合物 ethyl 5-(2'-methoxy-carbonyl-4'-methoxyphenoxy)furan-2-carboxylate (28)的 IC_{50} = 39.9 \pm 2.8 μM 約為trifluoperazine之 IC_{50} = 20.1 \pm 1.5 μM 的二倍，化合物 ethyl 5-(2'-methoxycarbonyl-4'-bromophenoxy)furan-2-carboxylate (32)的 IC_{50} = 24.3 \pm 5.1 μM 約與trifluoperazine的 IC_{50} = 20.1 \pm 1.5 μM 相當。與甲基、甲氧基或溴原子相較之下，若將氯原子導入苯環，則其活性降低，此外，若將碘原子導入苯環，則其活性降得更低。在5-(2'-carboxyl substituted phenoxy)furan-2-carboxylic acids (41-48及50-53)類衍生物中將氯原子導入苯環時，具有較高的活性，而化合物 5-(2'-carboxyl-5'-chlorophenoxy)furan-2-carboxylic acid (50)的 IC_{50} = 35.4 \pm 8.0 μM 約為trifluoperazine之 IC_{50} = 20.1 \pm 1.5 μM 的二倍。與氯原子相較之下，若將溴原子或碘原子導入苯環，則其活性降低，此外，若將甲基或甲氧基導入苯環，則其活性降得更低。在 substituted furo[2,3-*b*]chromone- 2-carboxylic acid ethyl esters (61-68及70-73)類衍生物中將氯原子導入環上時，具有較高的活性，而化合物 ethyl

6-chlorofuro[2,3-*b*]chromone- 2-carboxylate (71)的 $IC_{50} = 24.4 \pm 1.5 \mu M$ 約為trifluoperazine之 $IC_{50} = 12.9 \pm 1.0 \mu M$ 的二倍。與氯原子相較之下，若將甲基、甲氧基或碘原子導入環上，則其活性降低，此外，若將溴原子導入環上，則其活性降得更低。另外，在5-(2'-alkoxycarbonyl substituted phenoxy)furfurals (81-93)類衍生物中將溴原子或碘原子導入苯環時，具有較高的活性，而化合物5-(2'-methoxycarbonyl-4'-bromophenoxy)furfural (92)的 $IC_{50} = 13.4 \pm 2.9 \mu M$ 約為trifluoperazine之 $IC_{50} = 6.2 \pm 0.3 \mu M$ 的二倍，化合物5-(2'-methoxycarbonyl-4'-iodophenoxy)furfural (93)的 $IC_{50} = 19.6 \pm 5.6 \mu M$ 約為trifluoperazine之 $IC_{50} = 6.2 \pm 0.3 \mu M$ 的三倍。與溴原子或碘原子相較之下，若將甲氧基或氯原子導入苯環，則其活性降低，此外，若將甲基導入苯環，則其活性降得更低。

Table 19. The inhibitory effect of ethyl 5-(2'-alkoxycarbonyl substituted phenoxy)-furan-2-carboxylates on rat neutrophil superoxide formation (*in vitro*)



- 21:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=R₄=H **28:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=OCH₃
22: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=CH₃ **29:** R=CH₃, R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=OCH₃
23: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=CH₃ **30:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=Cl
24: R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=CH₃ **31:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Cl
25: R=C₂H₅, R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=CH₃ **32:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Br
26: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=OCH₃ **33:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=I
27: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=OCH₃

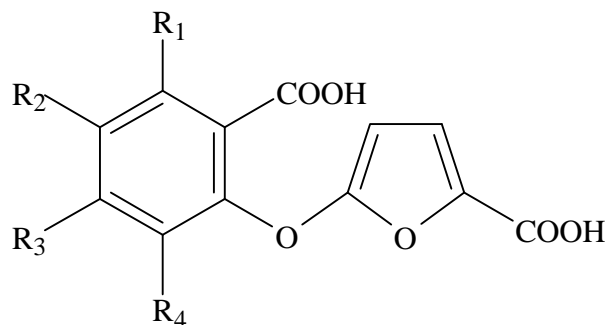
| Superoxide Formation | | |
|----------------------|--|-------------------|
| Compound | conc.----- | |
| | (μ M) nmol/10 ⁶ cells/30 min | (% inh) |
| | Control | 0.9 \pm 0.1 |
| | | -- |
| 21 | (30) | 0.9 \pm 0.0 |
| | (100) | 0.6 \pm 0.0 |
| 22 | (30) | 0.8 \pm 0.1 |
| | (100) | 0.7 \pm 0.0* |
| 23 | (30) | 0.8 \pm 0.1 |
| | (100) | 0.6 \pm 0.1* |
| TFP | (3) | 0.5 \pm 0.1** |
| | (5) | 0.2 \pm 0.0** |
| | (10) | 0.1 \pm 0.0** |
| | IC ₅₀ | 4.3 \pm 0.3 |
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| | Control | 1.25 \pm 0.21 |
| | | -- |
| 24 | (30) | 1.02 \pm 0.21 |
| | (100) | 0.80 \pm 0.11 |
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| | Control | 1.30 \pm 0.17 |
| | | -- |
| TFP | (3) | 1.10 \pm 0.27 |
| | (10) | 0.20 \pm 0.03** |
| | (30) | 0.05 \pm 0.04** |

| | | | |
|-----------|------------------|---------------|-------------|
| | IC ₅₀ | 9.4 ± 2.2 | |
| | Control | 2.15 ± 0.23 | -- |
| 25 | (3) | 1.61 ± 0.26 | 24.8 ± 7.9 |
| | (10) | 1.31 ± 0.24** | 40.5 ± 8.1 |
| | (30) | 0.52 ± 0.09** | 76.5 ± 1.8 |
| | IC ₅₀ | 15.0 ± 1.9 | |
| TFP | (1) | 2.59 ± 0.15 | 29.4 ± 12.0 |
| | (10) | 0.47 ± 0.08** | 77.1 ± 7.2 |
| | (30) | 0.12 ± 0.03** | 93.0 ± 3.0 |
| | IC ₅₀ | 14.7 ± 0.4 | |
| | Control | 1.68 ± 0.20 | -- |
| 26 | (30) | 1.31 ± 0.25 | 23.3 ± 6.7 |
| | (100) | 1.13 ± 0.22* | 33.2 ± 7.5 |
| 27 | (30) | 1.04 ± 0.15* | 38.4 ± 2.9 |
| | (100) | 0.94 ± 0.25** | 47.7 ± 10.1 |
| 28 | (3) | 1.26 ± 0.08 | 14.6 ± 8.5 |
| | (10) | 0.88 ± 0.03** | 48.8 ± 2.8 |
| | (30) | 0.85 ± 0.08** | 49.7 ± 2.5 |
| | (100) | 0.53 ± 0.16** | 71.2 ± 9.7 |
| | IC ₅₀ | 39.9 ± 2.8 | |
| TFP | (3) | 1.52 ± 0.04 | 3.1 ± 5.3 |
| | (10) | 1.05 ± 0.04* | 33.0 ± 5.2 |
| | (30) | 0.52 ± 0.04** | 69.5 ± 10.4 |
| | IC ₅₀ | 20.1 ± 1.5 | |
| | Control | 5.47 ± 0.57 | -- |
| 29 | (10) | 4.93 ± 0.67 | 9.7 ± 7.6 |
| | (30) | 5.12 ± 0.96 | 15.6 ± 12.2 |
| TFP | (3) | 4.12 ± 0.04 | 24.3 ± 1.9 |
| | (10) | 1.16 ± 0.08** | 78.1 ± 5.4 |
| | (30) | 0.02 ± 0.05** | 99.1 ± 3.3 |
| | IC ₅₀ | 6.2 ± 0.3 | |
| | Control | 1.68 ± 0.20 | -- |
| 30 | (30) | 1.26 ± 0.22 | 25.3 ± 7.6 |
| | (100) | 1.38 ± 0.24 | 18.9 ± 7.7 |
| 31 | (30) | 1.05 ± 0.20** | 39.0 ± 5.6 |
| | (100) | 1.13 ± 0.21* | 33.9 ± 7.8 |
| 32 | (1) | 1.23 ± 0.14 | 15.5 ± 7.3 |
| | (3) | 0.89 ± 0.12** | 44.0 ± 5.8 |
| | (10) | 0.80 ± 0.12** | 54.1 ± 5.0 |
| | (30) | 0.64 ± 0.09** | 61.2 ± 5.8 |
| | IC ₅₀ | 24.3 ± 5.1 | |
| TFP | (3) | 1.52 ± 0.04 | 3.1 ± 5.3 |
| | (10) | 1.05 ± 0.04* | 33.0 ± 5.2 |
| | (30) | 0.52 ± 0.04** | 69.5 ± 10.4 |

| | IC ₅₀ | 20.1 ± 1.5 |
|------------|------------------|---------------|
| | Control | 1.59 ± 0.05 |
| 33 | (10) | 1.23 ± 0.18* |
| | (30) | 2.08 ± 0.03** |
| | | 22.5 ± 13.1 |
| TFP | (3) | 1.27 ± 0.22 |
| | (10) | 0.91 ± 0.16** |
| | (30) | 0.03 ± 0.02** |
| | | 98.2 ± 0.9 |
| | IC ₅₀ | 13.0 ± 0.3 |

Neutrophil suspensions were preincubated at 37 °C with 0.5 % DMSO or test compounds in the presence of cytochalasin B (5 µg/ml) for 3 min. Fifteen minutes after the addition of fMLP (0.3 µM), the absorbance was determined at 550 nm. Trifluoperazine (TFP) is a positive control. Values are presented as mean ± S.E., N=3-7. *: P<0.05, **: P<0.01.

Table 20. The inhibitory effect of 5-(2'-carboxyl substituted phenoxy)furan-2-carboxylic acids on rat neutrophil superoxide formation (*in vitro*)



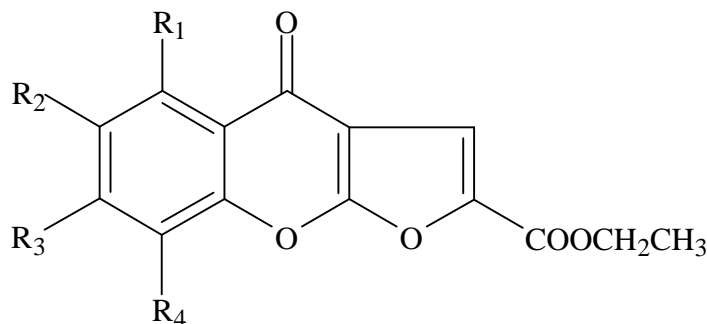
- 41:** R₁=R₂=R₃=R₄=H **47:** R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=OCH₃
42: R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=CH₃ **48:** R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=OCH₃
43: R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=CH₃ **50:** R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=Cl
44: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=CH₃ **51:** R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Cl
45: R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=CH₃ **52:** R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Br
46: R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=OCH₃ **53:** R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=I

| | | Superoxide Formation | |
|-----------|--|----------------------|----------------|
| Compound | conc.----- | | |
| | (μ M) nmol/10 ⁶ cells/30 min | | (%inh) |
| | Control | 0.9 \pm 0.1 | -- |
| 41 | (30) | 0.9 \pm 0.0 | -4.8 \pm 2.3 |
| | (100) | 1.0 \pm 0.1 | -9.1 \pm 8.3 |
| 42 | (30) | 0.9 \pm 0.1 | 5.9 \pm 2.9 |
| | (100) | 0.7 \pm 0.0 | 21.9 \pm 2.5 |
| 43 | (30) | 1.0 \pm 0.2 | 0.0 \pm 6.3 |
| | (100) | 0.7 \pm 0.0 | 23.1 \pm 7.1 |
| TFP | (3) | 0.5 \pm 0.1** | 35.7 \pm 2.2 |
| | (5) | 0.2 \pm 0.0** | 71.4 \pm 3.4 |
| | (10) | 0.1 \pm 0.0** | 85.7 \pm 1.0 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 4.3 \pm 0.3 |
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| | Control | 1.29 \pm 0.22 | -- |
| 44 | (30) | 0.83 \pm 0.06 | 31.5 \pm 8.4 |
| | (100) | 0.72 \pm 0.12 | 44.0 \pm 1.7 |
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| | Control | 1.30 \pm 0.17 | -- |
| TFP | (3) | 1.10 \pm 0.27 | 17.8 \pm 1.2 |
| | (10) | 0.20 \pm 0.03** | 84.5 \pm 1.2 |
| | (30) | 0.05 \pm 0.04** | 96.1 \pm 3.2 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 9.4 \pm 2.2 |

| | | | |
|-----------|------------------|---------------|-------------|
| | Control | 2.15 ± 0.23 | -- |
| 45 | (10) | 1.36 ± 0.17** | 36.6 ± 3.7 |
| | (30) | 1.40 ± 0.20** | 35.2 ± 3.8 |
| TFP | (1) | 2.59 ± 0.15 | 29.4 ± 12.0 |
| | (10) | 0.47 ± 0.08** | 77.1 ± 7.2 |
| | (30) | 0.12 ± 0.03** | 93.0 ± 3.0 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 14.7 ± 0.4 |
| | Control | 1.68 ± 0.20 | -- |
| 46 | (30) | 1.14 ± 0.24* | 28.2 ± 6.0 |
| | (100) | 1.11 ± 0.25* | 36.8 ± 9.8 |
| 47 | (30) | 1.31 ± 0.04 | 11.6 ± 7.5 |
| | (100) | 1.05 ± 0.19* | 38.4 ± 5.0 |
| 48 | (30) | 1.20 ± 0.09 | 26.3 ± 8.0 |
| | (100) | 1.00 ± 0.12* | 37.9 ± 9.1 |
| 50 | (10) | 1.19 ± 0.03 | 26.7 ± 9.7 |
| | (30) | 0.81 ± 0.04** | 49.9 ± 4.3 |
| | (100) | 0.46 ± 0.09** | 75.2 ± 5.0 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 35.4 ± 8.0 |
| 51 | (10) | 1.18 ± 0.05 | 20.3 ± 8.2 |
| | (30) | 0.96 ± 0.10** | 41.3 ± 6.5 |
| | (100) | 0.77 ± 0.06** | 57.4 ± 6.3 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 72.6 ± 8.9 |
| 52 | (30) | 1.11 ± 0.04* | 38.6 ± 6.4 |
| | (100) | 0.98 ± 0.09** | 40.1 ± 6.1 |
| TFP | (3) | 1.52 ± 0.04 | 3.1 ± 5.3 |
| | (10) | 1.05 ± 0.04* | 33.0 ± 5.2 |
| | (30) | 0.52 ± 0.04** | 69.5 ± 10.4 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 20.1 ± 1.5 |
| | Control | 1.59 ± 0.05 | -- |
| 53 | (10) | 1.27 ± 0.10* | 19.7 ± 8.6 |
| | (30) | 1.06 ± 0.07** | 33.6 ± 5.1 |
| TFP | (3) | 1.27 ± 0.22 | 20.5 ± 5.3 |
| | (10) | 0.91 ± 0.16** | 42.9 ± 2.8 |
| | (30) | 0.03 ± 0.02** | 98.2 ± 0.9 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 13.0 ± 0.3 |

Neutrophil suspensions were preincubated at 37 °C with 0.5 % DMSO or test compounds in the presence of cytochalasin B (5 µg/ml) for 3 min. Fifteen minutes after the addition of fMLP (0.3 µM), the absorbance was determined at 550 nm. Trifluoperazine (TFP) is a positive control. Values are presented as mean ± S.E., N=3-7. *: P<0.05, **: P<0.01.

Table 21. The inhibitory effect of substituted furo[2,3-*b*]chromone-2-carboxylic acid ethyl esters on rat neutrophil superoxide formation (*in vitro*)



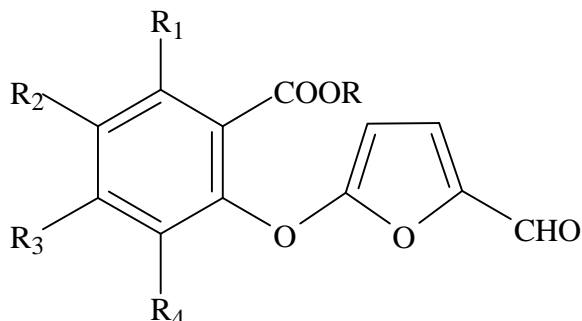
- 61:** R₁=R₂=R₃=R₄=H **67:** R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=OCH₃
62: R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=CH₃ **68:** R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=OCH₃
63: R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=CH₃ **70:** R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=Cl
64: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=CH₃ **71:** R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Cl
65: R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=CH₃ **72:** R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Br
66: R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=OCH₃ **73:** R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=I

| Superoxide Formation | | |
|----------------------|--|----------------|
| Compound | conc.----- | |
| | (μ M) nmol/10 ⁶ cells/30 min | (%inh) |
| | Control 0.9 \pm 0.1 | -- |
| 61 | (10) 1.0 \pm 0.0 | -6.1 \pm 3.1 |
| | (30) 0.6 \pm 0.0** | 34.3 \pm 3.5 |
| | (100) 0.4 \pm 0.1** | 54.9 \pm 1.9 |
| | IC ₅₀ | 75.9 \pm 3.9 |
| | | |
| 62 | (10) 0.8 \pm 0.1 | 2.5 \pm 3.1 |
| | (30) 0.5 \pm 0.0** | 42.2 \pm 3.5 |
| | (100) 0.3 \pm 0.1** | 65.5 \pm 7.9 |
| | IC ₅₀ | 57.6 \pm 4.1 |
| | | |
| TFP | (3) 0.5 \pm 0.1** | 35.7 \pm 2.2 |
| | (5) 0.2 \pm 0.0** | 71.4 \pm 3.4 |
| | (10) 0.1 \pm 0.0** | 85.7 \pm 1.0 |
| | IC ₅₀ | 4.3 \pm 0.3 |
| | | |
| 63 | Control 1.25 \pm 0.21 | -- |
| | (30) 1.29 \pm 0.24 | -3.2 \pm 9.6 |
| | (100) 0.82 \pm 0.16 | 34.8 \pm 5.0 |
| 64 | Control 1.63 \pm 0.05 | -- |
| | (10) 1.24 \pm 0.12* | 24.5 \pm 5.1 |
| | (30) 0.73 \pm 0.06** | 54.9 \pm 5.9 |

| | | | |
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| | (100) | $0.42 \pm 0.07^{**}$ | 73.7 ± 4.3 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 45.0 ± 3.5 |
| | Control | 1.30 ± 0.17 | -- |
| TFP | (3) | 1.10 ± 0.27 | 17.8 ± 1.2 |
| | (10) | $0.20 \pm 0.03^{**}$ | 84.5 ± 1.2 |
| | (30) | $0.05 \pm 0.04^{**}$ | 96.1 ± 3.2 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 9.4 ± 2.2 |
| | Control | 2.02 ± 0.34 | -- |
| 65 | (10) | 1.54 ± 0.44 | 24.8 ± 14.1 |
| | (30) | 1.50 ± 0.48 | 28.1 ± 12.3 |
| 66 | (10) | 1.46 ± 0.26 | 28.1 ± 1.2 |
| | (30) | $1.27 \pm 0.37^*$ | 39.9 ± 8.6 |
| 67 | (10) | $1.32 \pm 0.38^*$ | 37.5 ± 8.6 |
| | (30) | 1.41 ± 0.43 | 32.5 ± 9.8 |
| 68 | (10) | $1.37 \pm 0.30^*$ | 33.9 ± 4.9 |
| | (30) | $1.07 \pm 0.11^{**}$ | 45.9 ± 3.0 |
| TFP | (3) | 2.42 ± 0.10 | -29.4 ± 12.0 |
| | (10) | $0.44 \pm 0.05^{**}$ | 77.1 ± 7.2 |
| | (30) | $0.10 \pm 0.08^{**}$ | 93.0 ± 3.0 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 14.7 ± 0.4 |
| | Control | 1.83 ± 0.05 | -- |
| 70 | (10) | 1.55 ± 0.06 | 15.3 ± 1.7 |
| | (30) | $1.16 \pm 0.02^{**}$ | 36.7 ± 1.5 |
| 71 | (10) | 1.49 ± 0.05 | 18.6 ± 0.4 |
| | (20) | $1.01 \pm 0.08^{**}$ | 44.3 ± 5.8 |
| | (30) | $0.73 \pm 0.03^{**}$ | 60.1 ± 2.8 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 24.4 ± 1.5 |
| 72 | (10) | 1.78 ± 0.13 | 3.0 ± 4.2 |
| | (30) | $1.34 \pm 0.12^*$ | 24.7 ± 7.4 |
| 73 | (10) | 1.42 ± 0.15 | 21.7 ± 10.4 |
| | (30) | $1.08 \pm 0.04^{**}$ | 41.2 ± 0.7 |
| TFP | (3) | 2.50 ± 0.42 | -30.2 ± 11.7 |
| | (10) | 1.09 ± 0.28 | 40.5 ± 11.1 |
| | (30) | $0.11 \pm 0.06^{**}$ | 93.6 ± 3.3 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 12.9 ± 1.0 |

Neutrophil suspensions were preincubated at 37 °C with 0.5 % DMSO or test compounds in the presence of cytochalasin B (5 µg/ml) for 3 min. Fifteen minutes after the addition of fMLP (0.3 µM), the absorbance was determined at 550 nm. Trifluoperazine (TFP) is a positive control. Values are presented as mean ± S.E., N=3-6. *: P<0.05, **: P<0.01.

Table 22. The inhibitory effect of 5-(2'-alkoxycarbonyl substituted phenoxy)furfurals on rat neutrophil superoxide formation (*in vitro*)



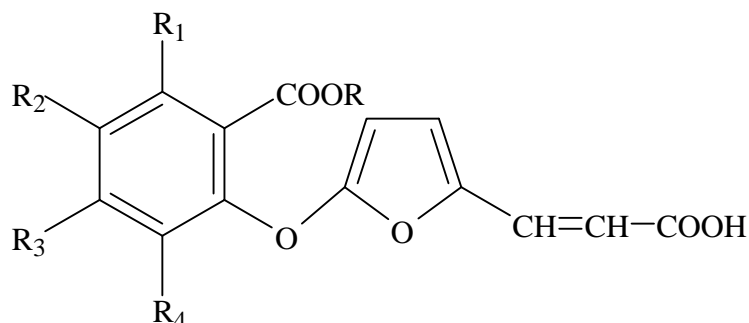
- 81:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=R₄=H **88:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=OCH₃
82: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=CH₃ **89:** R=CH₃, R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=OCH₃
83: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=CH₃ **90:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=Cl
84: R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=CH₃ **91:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Cl
85: R=C₂H₅, R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=CH₃ **92:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Br
86: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=OCH₃ **93:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=I
87: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=OCH₃

| Compound | Superoxide Formation | |
|-----------|--|-----------------|
| | conc.----- (μ M) nmol/10 ⁶ cells/30 min | (% inh) |
| | Control 2.40 \pm 0.23 | -- |
| 81 | (10) 1.85 \pm 1.52 | 24.29 \pm 6.8 |
| | (30) 1.52 \pm 0.37* | 38.5 \pm 8.9 |
| 82 | (10) 2.18 \pm 0.34 | 9.8 \pm 8.5 |
| | (30) 1.97 \pm 0.33 | 17.9 \pm 10.0 |
| 83 | (10) 1.42 \pm 0.14* | 40.7 \pm 0.7 |
| | (30) 1.43 \pm 0.12* | 38.2 \pm 10.3 |
| 84 | (10) 1.51 \pm 0.10* | 36.6 \pm 2.7 |
| | (30) 1.60 \pm 0.10* | 32.6 \pm 2.6 |
| 85 | (10) 1.81 \pm 0.05 | 23.2 \pm 7.6 |
| | (30) 1.70 \pm 0.01 | 27.9 \pm 5.9 |
| TFP | (3) 1.81 \pm 0.04* | 24.3 \pm 1.9 |
| | (10) 0.51 \pm 0.08** | 78.1 \pm 5.4 |
| | (30) 0.01 \pm 0.05** | 99.1 \pm 3.3 |
| | IC ₅₀ | 6.2 \pm 0.3 |
| | Control 5.47 \pm 0.57 | -- |

| | | | |
|------------|------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| 86 | (10) | $3.93 \pm 0.43^*$ | 27.6 ± 6.1 |
| | (30) | $3.40 \pm 0.44^{**}$ | 36.7 ± 9.3 |
| 87 | (10) | $3.61 \pm 0.57^{**}$ | 33.8 ± 7.5 |
| | (30) | $2.94 \pm 0.37^{**}$ | 45.9 ± 5.0 |
| 88 | (10) | $3.72 \pm 0.62^{**}$ | 31.6 ± 9.0 |
| | (30) | $2.90 \pm 0.35^{**}$ | 46.5 ± 7.7 |
| 89 | (10) | $3.80 \pm 0.60^{**}$ | 30.4 ± 7.6 |
| | (30) | $3.02 \pm 0.29^{**}$ | 43.6 ± 8.0 |
| 90 | (10) | $3.80 \pm 0.51^{**}$ | 30.1 ± 6.6 |
| | (30) | $2.99 \pm 0.35^{**}$ | 44.8 ± 6.3 |
| 91 | (10) | 4.33 ± 0.59 | 20.8 ± 6.5 |
| | (30) | $3.83 \pm 0.37^*$ | 29.3 ± 6.4 |
| 92 | (3) | $3.95 \pm 0.29^*$ | 27.3 ± 2.4 |
| | (10) | $2.96 \pm 0.16^{**}$ | 45.2 ± 3.0 |
| | (30) | $1.88 \pm 0.12^{**}$ | 64.8 ± 4.6 |
| 93 | IC ₅₀ | | 13.4 ± 2.9 |
| | (3) | $3.81 \pm 0.27^*$ | 29.3 ± 6.0 |
| | (10) | $3.28 \pm 0.21^{**}$ | 39.1 ± 4.4 |
| | (30) | $2.34 \pm 0.12^{**}$ | 56.7 ± 2.9 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 19.6 ± 5.6 |
| TFP | (3) | 4.12 ± 0.04 | 24.3 ± 1.9 |
| | (10) | $1.16 \pm 0.08^{**}$ | 78.1 ± 5.4 |
| | (30) | $0.02 \pm 0.05^{**}$ | 99.1 ± 3.3 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 6.2 ± 0.3 |

Neutrophil suspensions were preincubated at 37 °C with 0.5 % DMSO or test compounds in the presence of cytochalasin B (5 µg/ml) for 3 min. Fifteen minutes after the addition of fMLP (0.3 µM), the absorbance was determined at 550 nm. Trifluoperazine (TFP) is a positive control. Values are presented as mean ± S.E., N=3-5. *: P<0.05, **: P<0.01.

Table 23. The inhibitory effect of 5-(2'-alkoxycarbonyl substituted phenoxy)-2-furanacrylic acids on rat neutrophil superoxide formation (*in vitro*)



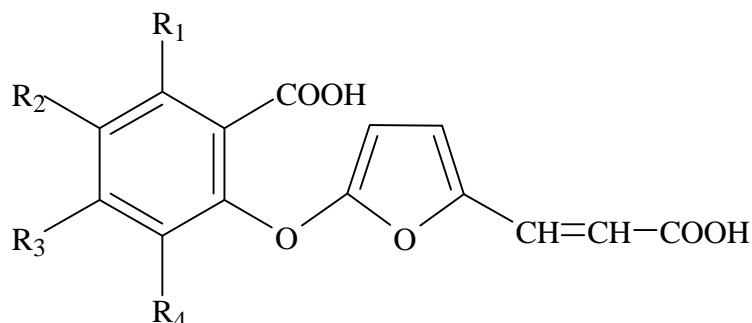
- 101:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=R₄=H **106:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=OCH₃
102: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=CH₃ **107:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=OCH₃
103: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=CH₃ **108:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=OCH₃
104: R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=CH₃ **109:** R=CH₃, R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=OCH₃
105: R=C₂H₅, R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=CH₃

| Compound | Superoxide Formation | |
|------------|--|----------------|
| | conc.----- (μ M) nmol/10 ⁶ cells/30 min | (% inh) |
| | Control 2.40 \pm 0.23 | -- |
| 101 | (10) 2.11 \pm 0.22 | 12.0 \pm 1.3 |
| | (30) 1.82 \pm 0.14 | 23.7 \pm 2.0 |
| 102 | (10) 2.12 \pm 0.05 | 9.6 \pm 10.3 |
| | (30) 1.93 \pm 0.06 | 17.6 \pm 8.4 |
| 103 | (10) 2.42 \pm 0.13 | -1.8 \pm 4.2 |
| | (30) 2.33 \pm 0.18 | 2.5 \pm 2.2 |
| 104 | (10) 2.53 \pm 0.11 | -6.5 \pm 5.2 |
| | (30) 2.09 \pm 0.14 | 12.1 \pm 3.7 |
| 105 | (10) 2.34 \pm 0.41 | 3.9 \pm 7.5 |
| | (30) 2.43 \pm 0.09 | -2.4 \pm 5.6 |
| TFP | (3) 1.81 \pm 0.04* | 24.3 \pm 1.9 |
| | (10) 0.51 \pm 0.08** | 78.1 \pm 5.4 |
| | (30) 0.01 \pm 0.05** | 99.1 \pm 3.3 |
| | IC ₅₀ | 6.2 \pm 0.3 |
| | Control 5.47 \pm 0.57 | -- |
| 106 | (10) 4.42 \pm 0.42 | 17.8 \pm 9.5 |
| | (30) 4.03 \pm 0.36 | 25.6 \pm 4.9 |

| | | | |
|------------|------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| 107 | (10) | 4.40 ± 0.43 | 18.4 ± 8.8 |
| | (30) | 4.69 ± 0.35 | 12.5 ± 10.5 |
| 108 | (10) | 4.61 ± 0.56 | 15.4 ± 7.0 |
| | (30) | 4.22 ± 0.43 | 22.2 ± 6.3 |
| 109 | (10) | 4.41 ± 0.62 | 19.2 ± 7.5 |
| | (30) | 4.44 ± 0.59 | 17.9 ± 10.4 |
| TFP | (3) | 4.12 ± 0.04 | 24.3 ± 1.9 |
| | (10) | 1.16 ± 0.08** | 78.1 ± 5.4 |
| | (30) | 0.02 ± 0.05** | 99.1 ± 3.3 |
| | IC₅₀ | | 6.2 ± 0.3 |

Neutrophil suspensions were preincubated at 37 °C with 0.5 % DMSO or test compounds in the presence of cytochalasin B (5 µg/ml) for 3 min. Fifteen minutes after the addition of fMLP (0.3 µM), the absorbance was determined at 550 nm. Trifluoperazine (TFP) is a positive control. Values are presented as mean ± S.E., N=3-5. *: P<0.05, **: P<0.01.

Table 24. The inhibitory effect of 5-(2'-carboxyl substituted phenoxy)-2-furanacrylic acids on rat neutrophil superoxide formation (*in vitro*)



111: R₁=R₂=R₃=R₄=H

112: R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=CH₃

113: R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=CH₃

114: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=CH₃

116: R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=OCH₃

117: R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=OCH₃

118: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=OCH₃

120: R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=Cl

121: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Cl

122: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Br

123: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=I

| | | Superoxide Formation | |
|------------|--|----------------------|-----------------|
| Compound | conc.----- | | |
| | (μ M) nmol/10 ⁶ cells/30 min | | (% inh) |
| | Control | 2.40 \pm 0.23 | -- |
| 111 | (10) | 2.03 \pm 0.15 | 14.5 \pm 6.9 |
| | (30) | 2.37 \pm 0.14 | 0.3 \pm 4.3 |
| 112 | (10) | 2.28 \pm 0.23 | 5.1 \pm 2.4 |
| | (30) | 2.16 \pm 0.10 | 7.6 \pm 12.6 |
| 113 | (10) | 2.18 \pm 0.16 | 7.7 \pm 9.8 |
| | (30) | 2.07 \pm 0.19 | 13.2 \pm 3.7 |
| 114 | (10) | 2.49 \pm 0.13 | -4.7 \pm 6.1 |
| | (30) | 2.35 \pm 0.06 | 0.8 \pm 6.6 |
| TFP | (3) | 1.81 \pm 0.04* | 24.3 \pm 1.9 |
| | (10) | 0.51 \pm 0.08** | 78.1 \pm 5.4 |
| | (30) | 0.01 \pm 0.05** | 99.1 \pm 3.3 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 6.2 \pm 0.3 |
| | Control | 5.47 \pm 0.57 | -- |
| 116 | (10) | 4.66 \pm 0.75 | 14.6 \pm 10.5 |
| | (30) | 4.57 \pm 0.63 | 15.8 \pm 8.9 |
| 117 | (10) | 4.69 \pm 0.67 | 13.7 \pm 10.0 |

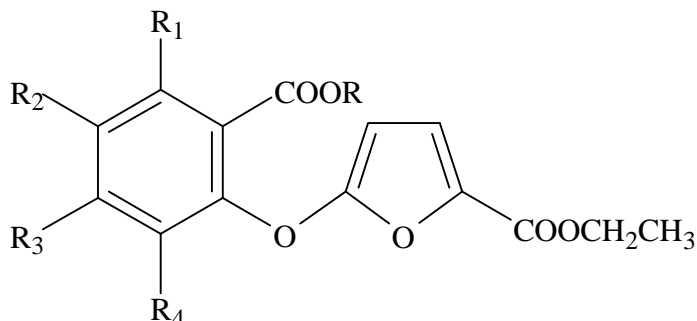
| | | | |
|------------|------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| | (30) | $3.76 \pm 0.03^*$ | 29.4 ± 8.7 |
| 118 | (10) | $3.96 \pm 0.86^*$ | 29.5 ± 8.9 |
| | (30) | $3.68 \pm 0.75^{**}$ | 34.1 ± 7.3 |
| 120 | (10) | 4.50 ± 0.65 | 17.2 ± 9.2 |
| | (30) | 4.07 ± 0.54 | 24.5 ± 10.0 |
| 121 | (10) | 5.01 ± 0.48 | 7.8 ± 4.8 |
| | (30) | 4.65 ± 0.50 | 14.2 ± 7.6 |
| 122 | (10) | 4.89 ± 0.57 | 9.9 ± 8.3 |
| | (30) | 4.52 ± 0.49 | 16.5 ± 8.5 |
| 123 | (10) | 4.91 ± 0.68 | 10.0 ± 7.9 |
| | (30) | 4.57 ± 0.65 | 15.9 ± 9.4 |
| TFP | (3) | 4.12 ± 0.04 | 24.3 ± 1.9 |
| | (10) | $1.16 \pm 0.08^{**}$ | 78.1 ± 5.4 |
| | (30) | $0.02 \pm 0.05^{**}$ | 99.1 ± 3.3 |
| | IC₅₀ | | 6.2 ± 0.3 |

Neutrophil suspensions were preincubated at 37 °C with 0.5 % DMSO or test compounds in the presence of cytochalasin B (5 µg/ml) for 3 min. Fifteen minutes after the addition of fMLP (0.3 µM), the absorbance was determined at 550 nm. Trifluoperazine (TFP) is a positive control. Values are presented as mean ± S.E., N=3-5. *: P<0.05, **: P<0.01.

(三)對於PMA誘導的嗜中性白血球超氧自由基生成作用抑制試驗

從化合物 21-33、41-48、50-53、61-68、70-73、81-93、101-109、111-114、116-118 及 120-123 對以 PMA 誘導的嗜中性白血球超氧自由基生成作用之體外試驗中，由 superoxide formation 的抑制百分率(見 Table 25 至 Table 30)看來，在濃度 30 μ M 時，化合物 26、28、45、65、66、70、81 及 83 分別呈現弱的抑制活性 (具有約 20-34%的抑制百分率)。其他化合物則無明顯的抑制活性。

Table 25. The inhibitory effect of ethyl 5-(2'-alkoxycarbonyl substituted phenoxy)-furan-2-carboxylates on rat neutrophil superoxide formation (*in vitro*)



- 21:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=R₄=H **28:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=OCH₃
22: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=CH₃ **29:** R=CH₃, R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=OCH₃
23: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=CH₃ **30:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=Cl
24: R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=CH₃ **31:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Cl
25: R=C₂H₅, R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=CH₃ **32:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Br
26: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=OCH₃ **33:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=I
27: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=OCH₃

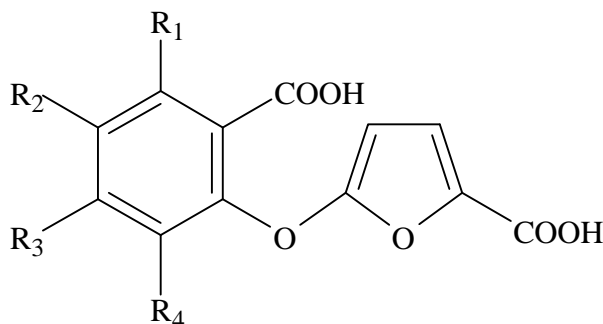
| Superoxide Formation | | |
|----------------------|--|-------------------|
| Compound | conc.----- | |
| | (μ M) nmol/10 ⁶ cells/30 min | (%inh) |
| | Control | 4.1 \pm 0.3 |
| 21 | (30) | 3.9 \pm 0.1 |
| | (100) | 3.6 \pm 0.3 |
| 22 | (30) | 3.7 \pm 0.2 |
| | (100) | 3.7 \pm 0.1 |
| 23 | (30) | 3.5 \pm 0.2 |
| | (100) | 3.4 \pm 0.2 |
| TFP | (3) | 3.5 \pm 0.4 |
| | (5) | 0.8 \pm 0.0** |
| | (10) | 0.2 \pm 0.1** |
| | IC ₅₀ | 4.7 \pm 0.5 |
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| | Control | 1.75 \pm 0.29 |
| 24 | (30) | 1.71 \pm 0.31 |
| | (100) | 1.36 \pm 0.24 |
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| | Control | 1.92 \pm 0.09 |
| TFP | (3) | 1.34 \pm 0.07** |
| | (10) | 0.48 \pm 0.02** |
| | (30) | 0.22 \pm 0.01** |
| | IC ₅₀ | 8.8 \pm 0.1 |

| | | | | |
|-----------|------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|
| 25 | Control | 3.14 ± 0.12 | -- | |
| | (10) | 2.48 ± 0.26* | 21.1 ± 6.7 | |
| | (30) | 3.10 ± 0.06 | 1.2 ± 2.2 | |
| | TFP | (1) | 2.55 ± 0.23 | 16.6 ± 10.1 |
| | | (3) | 1.59 ± 0.43** | 49.5 ± 7.4 |
| | | (10) | 0.39 ± 0.19** | 87.1 ± 4.9 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 4.5 ± 0.3 | |
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| 26 | Control | 2.16 ± 0.18 | -- | |
| | (30) | 1.44 ± 0.19** | 33.9 ± 5.3 | |
| | (100) | 1.58 ± 0.13** | 32.8 ± 5.1 | |
| 27 | (30) | 1.89 ± 0.27 | 14.1 ± 6.1 | |
| | (100) | 1.72 ± 0.35* | 21.9 ± 7.8 | |
| 28 | (30) | 1.56 ± 0.15* | 27.1 ± 7.2 | |
| | (100) | 2.17 ± 0.11 | 7.3 ± 5.3 | |
| TFP | (3) | 1.85 ± 0.53* | 21.9 ± 7.1 | |
| | (5) | 1.05 ± 0.08** | 53.6 ± 4.0 | |
| | (10) | 0.53 ± 0.11** | 76.4 ± 5.1 | |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 6.0 ± 0.1 | |
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| 29 | Control | 6.34 ± 0.25 | -- | |
| | (10) | 5.99 ± 0.82 | 5.6 ± 12.1 | |
| | (30) | 6.23 ± 0.82 | 1.8 ± 12.2 | |
| | TFP | (3) | 5.63 ± 0.10 | 8.6 ± 2.0 |
| | | (10) | 1.18 ± 0.03** | 80.2 ± 2.0 |
| | | (30) | 0.47 ± 0.01** | 90.9 ± 0.4 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 7.6 ± 0.3 | |
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| 30 | Control | 2.16 ± 0.18 | -- | |
| | (30) | 1.90 ± 0.17 | 12.2 ± 0.9 | |
| | (100) | 3.05 ± 0.20* | -29.7 ± 5.7 | |
| 31 | (30) | 1.97 ± 0.14 | 16.1 ± 5.9 | |
| | (100) | 2.16 ± 0.13 | 7.3 ± 8.5 | |
| 32 | (30) | 2.19 ± 0.35 | 0.1 ± 11.6 | |
| | (100) | 2.91 ± 0.38** | -48.8 ± 4.1 | |
| TFP | (3) | 1.85 ± 0.53* | 21.9 ± 7.1 | |
| | (5) | 1.05 ± 0.08** | 53.6 ± 4.0 | |
| | (10) | 0.53 ± 0.11** | 76.4 ± 5.1 | |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 6.0 ± 0.1 | |
| <hr/> | | | | |
| 33 | Control | 3.50 ± 0.03 | -- | |
| | (10) | 3.24 ± 0.15 | 7.5 ± 3.7 | |
| | (30) | 3.14 ± 0.25 | 10.4 ± 6.7 | |
| | TFP | (3) | 2.33 ± 0.19** | 32.5 ± 8.6 |
| | | (10) | 0.86 ± 0.15** | 74.9 ± 5.7 |
| | | (30) | 0.08 ± 0.03** | 97.6 ± 0.7 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 6.8 ± 2.3 | |

Neutrophil suspensions were preincubated at 37 °C with 0.5 % DMSO or test compounds in the

presence of cytochalasin B (5 µg/ml) for 3 min. Fifteen minutes after the addition of PMA (3 nM), the absorbance was determined at 550 nm. Trifluoperazine (TFP) is a positive control. Values are presented as mean± S.E., N=3-5. *: P<0.05, **: P<0.01.

Table 26. The inhibitory effect of 5-(2'-carboxyl substituted phenoxy)furan-2-carboxylic acids on rat neutrophil superoxide formation (*in vitro*)



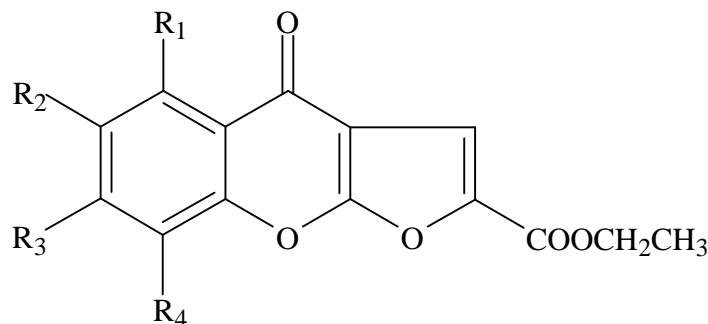
- 41: R₁=R₂=R₃=R₄=H 47: R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=OCH₃
 42: R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=CH₃ 48: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=OCH₃
 43: R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=CH₃ 50: R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=Cl
 44: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=CH₃ 51: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Cl
 45: R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=CH₃ 52: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Br
 46: R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=OCH₃ 53: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=I

| Superoxide Formation | | |
|----------------------|--|---------------|
| Compound | conc.----- (µM) nmol/10 ⁶ cells/30 min | (% inh) |
| | Control | 4.1 ± 0.3 |
| | | -- |
| 41 | (30) | 3.9 ± 0.1 |
| | (100) | 4.0 ± 0.0 |
| | | -10.4 ± 2.8 |
| 42 | (30) | 4.1 ± 0.1 |
| | (100) | 4.0 ± 0.2 |
| | | -13.4 ± 0.8 |
| 43 | (30) | 4.1 ± 0.1 |
| | (100) | 4.0 ± 0.2 |
| | | -13.2 ± 4.8 |
| TFP | (3) | 3.9 ± 0.3 |
| | (5) | 3.9 ± 0.1 |
| | (10) | 3.9 ± 0.1 |
| | IC ₅₀ | 4.7 ± 0.5 |
| | | -14.0 ± 0.5 |
| 44 | (3) | 3.5 ± 0.4 |
| | (5) | 0.8 ± 0.0** |
| | (10) | 0.2 ± 0.1** |
| | IC ₅₀ | 4.7 ± 0.5 |
| | | 19.2 ± 11.2 |
| | | 81.4 ± 2.1 |
| | | 96.1 ± 2.0 |
| 44 | Control | 1.75 ± 0.29 |
| | (30) | 1.87 ± 0.23 |
| | (100) | 1.76 ± 0.35 |
| | | -- |
| TFP | (3) | 1.92 ± 0.09 |
| | (10) | 1.34 ± 0.07** |
| | (30) | 0.48 ± 0.02** |
| | IC ₅₀ | 8.8 ± 0.1 |
| | | 29.8 ± 0.3 |
| | | 74.5 ± 0.2 |
| | | 88.2 ± 1.3 |
| | Control | 3.14 ± 0.12 |
| | | -- |

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|-----------|------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|
| 45 | (10) | 2.61 ± 0.24 | 17.3 ± 4.6 | |
| | (30) | 2.48 ± 0.13 | 20.7 ± 7.4 | |
| | TFP | (1) | 2.55 ± 0.23 | 16.6 ± 10.1 |
| | | (3) | 1.59 ± 0.43** | 49.5 ± 7.4 |
| | | (10) | 0.39 ± 0.19** | 87.1 ± 4.9 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 4.5 ± 0.3 | |
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| 46 | Control | 2.16 ± 0.18 | -- | |
| | (30) | 1.78 ± 0.17 | 17.4 ± 5.6 | |
| 47 | (100) | 2.01 ± 0.37 | 4.8 ± 9.9 | |
| | (30) | 2.19 ± 0.07 | 6.2 ± 7.4 | |
| 48 | (100) | 1.77 ± 0.14 | 17.9 ± 2.5 | |
| | (30) | 2.00 ± 0.08 | 6.1 ± 5.2 | |
| 50 | (100) | 1.65 ± 0.27* | 30.0 ± 9.8 | |
| | (30) | 1.89 ± 0.25 | 13.1 ± 7.3 | |
| 51 | (100) | 1.69 ± 0.24* | 28.2 ± 8.8 | |
| | (30) | 1.99 ± 0.10 | 6.2 ± 7.3 | |
| 52 | (100) | 1.96 ± 0.14 | 9.0 ± 3.0 | |
| | (30) | 2.14 ± 0.16 | 8.7 ± 7.2 | |
| TFP | (100) | 1.93 ± 0.31 | 12.6 ± 9.1 | |
| | (3) | 1.85 ± 0.53* | 21.9 ± 7.1 | |
| | (5) | 1.05 ± 0.08** | 53.6 ± 4.0 | |
| | (10) | 0.53 ± 0.11** | 76.4 ± 5.1 | |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 6.0 ± 0.1 | |
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| 53 | Control | 3.50 ± 0.03 | -- | |
| | (10) | 3.06 ± 0.30 | 12.9 ± 7.7 | |
| TFP | (30) | 3.16 ± 0.27 | 10.0 ± 8.5 | |
| | (3) | 2.33 ± 0.19** | 32.5 ± 8.6 | |
| | (10) | 0.86 ± 0.15** | 74.9 ± 5.7 | |
| | (30) | 0.08 ± 0.03** | 97.6 ± 0.7 | |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 6.8 ± 2.3 | |

Neutrophil suspensions were preincubated at 37 °C with 0.5 % DMSO or test compounds in the presence of cytochalasin B (5 µg/ml) for 3 min. Fifteen minutes after the addition of PMA (3 nM), the absorbance was determined at 550 nm. Trifluoperazine (TFP) is a positive control. Values are presented as mean ± S.E., N=3-4. *: P<0.05, **: P<0.01.

Table 27. The inhibitory effect of substituted furo[2,3-*b*]chromone-2-carboxylic acid ethyl esters on rat neutrophil superoxide formation (*in vitro*)



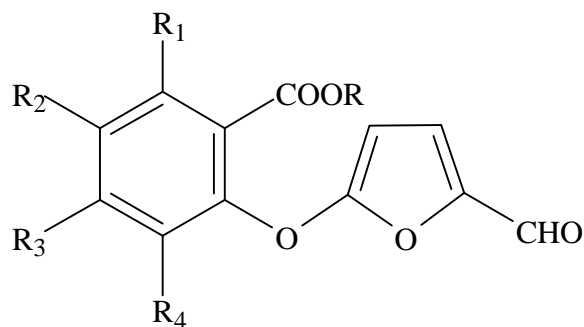
- 61:** R₁=R₂=R₃=R₄=H **67:** R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=OCH₃
62: R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=CH₃ **68:** R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=OCH₃
63: R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=CH₃ **70:** R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=Cl
64: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=CH₃ **71:** R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Cl
65: R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=CH₃ **72:** R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Br
66: R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=OCH₃ **73:** R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=I

| Superoxide Formation | | |
|----------------------|--|-------------------|
| Compound | conc.----- | |
| | (μ M) nmol/10 ⁶ cells/30 min | (%inh) |
| | Control | 4.1 \pm 0.3 |
| | | -- |
| 61 | (30) | 4.0 \pm 0.4 |
| | (100) | 4.3 \pm 0.3 |
| 62 | (30) | 3.8 \pm 0.2 |
| | (100) | 3.6 \pm 0.2 |
| TFP | (3) | 3.5 \pm 0.4 |
| | (5) | 0.8 \pm 0.0** |
| | (10) | 0.2 \pm 0.1** |
| | IC ₅₀ | 4.7 \pm 0.5 |
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| | Control | 1.75 \pm 0.29 |
| | | -- |
| 63 | (30) | 1.97 \pm 0.28 |
| | (100) | 2.17 \pm 0.24 |
| 64 | (30) | 1.81 \pm 0.34 |
| | (100) | 1.71 \pm 0.31 |
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| | Control | 1.92 \pm 0.09 |
| | | -- |
| TFP | (3) | 1.34 \pm 0.07** |
| | (10) | 0.48 \pm 0.02** |
| | (30) | 0.22 \pm 0.01** |
| | IC ₅₀ | 8.8 \pm 0.1 |

| | | | |
|-----------|------------------|----------------|-------------|
| | Control | 3.47 ± 0.27 | -- |
| 65 | (10) | 2.59 ± 0.05* | 24.6 ± 5.3 |
| | (30) | 2.66 ± 0.08* | 22.7 ± 4.6 |
| 66 | (10) | 2.55 ± 0.22** | 26.6 ± 1.2 |
| | (30) | 2.72 ± 0.26* | 22.1 ± 2.6 |
| 67 | (10) | 2.80 ± 0.19 | 19.2 ± 1.5 |
| | (30) | 2.76 ± 0.07* | 19.8 ± 5.5 |
| 68 | (10) | 3.05 ± 0.19 | 11.7 ± 4.3 |
| | (30) | 2.99 ± 0.23 | 14.0 ± 2.7 |
| TFP | (3) | 3.24 ± 0.12 | 5.5 ± 11.3 |
| | (10) | 0.67 ± 0.11** | 80.6 ± 8.1 |
| | (30) | -0.12 ± 0.08** | 103.9 ± 6.1 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 11.0 ± 2.0 |
| | Control | 2.81 ± 0.17 | -- |
| 70 | (10) | 2.61 ± 0.23 | 7.2 ± 5.8 |
| | (30) | 2.01 ± 0.32** | 28.5 ± 11.1 |
| 71 | (10) | 2.16 ± 0.06 | 22.4 ± 5.5 |
| | (30) | 2.58 ± 0.03 | 7.7 ± 4.5 |
| 72 | (10) | 2.81 ± 0.63 | 1.8 ± 15.7 |
| | (30) | 2.23 ± 0.15 | 14.9 ± 6.7 |
| 73 | (10) | 3.11 ± 0.18 | -10.9 ± 6.0 |
| | (30) | 2.48 ± 0.13 | 11.1 ± 7.9 |
| TFP | (3) | 2.13 ± 0.04 | 23.7 ± 3.5 |
| | (10) | 0.56 ± 0.08** | 79.2 ± 4.3 |
| | (30) | 0.22 ± 0.09** | 91.9 ± 4.3 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 9.7 ± 1.1 |

Neutrophil suspensions were preincubated at 37 °C with 0.5 % DMSO or test compounds in the presence of cytochalasin B (5 µg/ml) for 3 min. Fifteen minutes after the addition of PMA (3 nM), the absorbance was determined at 550 nm. Trifluoperazine (TFP) is a positive control. Values are presented as mean ± S.E., N=3-4. *: P<0.05, **: P<0.01.

Table 28. The inhibitory effect of 5-(2'-alkoxycarbonyl substituted phenoxy)furfurals on rat neutrophil superoxide formation (*in vitro*)



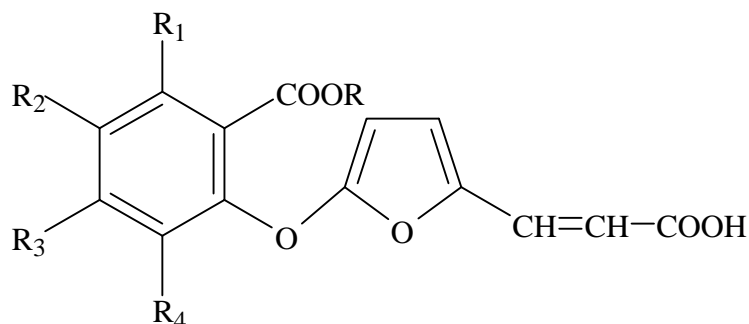
- 81:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=R₄=H **88:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=OCH₃
82: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=CH₃ **89:** R=CH₃, R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=OCH₃
83: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=CH₃ **90:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=Cl
84: R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=CH₃ **91:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Cl
85: R=C₂H₅, R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=CH₃ **92:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Br
86: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=OCH₃ **93:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=I
87: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=OCH₃

| Compound | Superoxide Formation | |
|-----------|--|-----------------|
| | conc.----- (μ M) nmol/10 ⁶ cells/30 min | (% inh) |
| | Control 1.61 \pm 0.10 | -- |
| 81 | (10) 1.37 \pm 0.12 | 15.6 \pm 4.9 |
| | (30) 1.16 \pm 0.16* | 28.8 \pm 8.6 |
| 82 | (10) 1.63 \pm 0.15 | -1.3 \pm 8.9 |
| | (30) 1.38 \pm 0.12 | 14.5 \pm 4.3 |
| 83 | (10) 1.40 \pm 0.12 | 13.5 \pm 3.9 |
| | (30) 1.17 \pm 0.13* | 27.7 \pm 6.3 |
| 84 | (10) 1.55 \pm 0.13 | 3.6 \pm 6.7 |
| | (30) 1.35 \pm 0.15 | 17.5 \pm 4.3 |
| 85 | (10) 1.77 \pm 0.09 | -11.1 \pm 8.9 |
| | (30) 1.49 \pm 0.09 | 7.7 \pm 2.1 |
| TFP | (3) 1.43 \pm 0.10 | 8.6 \pm 2.0 |
| | (10) 0.30 \pm 0.03** | 80.2 \pm 2.0 |
| | (30) 0.12 \pm 0.01** | 90.9 \pm 0.4 |
| | IC ₅₀ | 7.6 \pm 0.3 |
| | Control 6.34 \pm 0.25 | -- |
| 86 | (10) 6.13 \pm 0.02 | 2.9 \pm 3.8 |

| | | | |
|------------|------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| | (30) | 5.64 ± 0.37 | 11.2 ± 2.2 |
| 87 | (10) | 5.99 ± 0.53 | 5.4 ± 7.6 |
| | (30) | 5.41 ± 0.51 | 14.8 ± 5.4 |
| 88 | (10) | 6.39 ± 0.32 | -0.7 ± 1.5 |
| | (30) | 5.95 ± 0.35 | 5.9 ± 7.4 |
| 89 | (10) | 5.65 ± 0.10 | 10.5 ± 5.0 |
| | (30) | 5.53 ± 0.23 | 12.2 ± 7.1 |
| 90 | (10) | 5.71 ± 0.44 | 10.2 ± 4.1 |
| | (30) | 6.02 ± 0.51 | 5.2 ± 6.2 |
| 91 | (10) | 6.30 ± 0.44 | 0.7 ± 5.2 |
| | (30) | 6.81 ± 0.63 | -7.1 ± 6.3 |
| 92 | (10) | 6.11 ± 0.33 | 3.5 ± 4.5 |
| | (30) | 6.86 ± 0.48 | -8.0 ± 5.1 |
| 93 | (10) | 5.31 ± 0.65 | 16.4 ± 9.5 |
| | (30) | 6.88 ± 0.18 | -9.0 ± 7.3 |
| TFP | (3) | 5.63 ± 0.10 | 8.6 ± 2.0 |
| | (10) | 1.18 ± 0.03** | 80.2 ± 2.0 |
| | (30) | 0.47 ± 0.01** | 90.9 ± 0.4 |
| | IC₅₀ | | 7.6 ± 0.3 |

Neutrophil suspensions were preincubated at 37 °C with 0.5 % DMSO or test compounds in the presence of cytochalasin B (5 µg/ml) for 3 min. Fifteen minutes after the addition of PMA (3 nM), the absorbance was determined at 550 nm. Trifluoperazine (TFP) is a positive control. Values are presented as mean ± S.E., N=3-5. *: P<0.05, **: P<0.01.

Table 29. The inhibitory effect of 5-(2'-alkoxycarbonyl substituted phenoxy)-2-furanacrylic acids on rat neutrophil superoxide formation (*in vitro*)



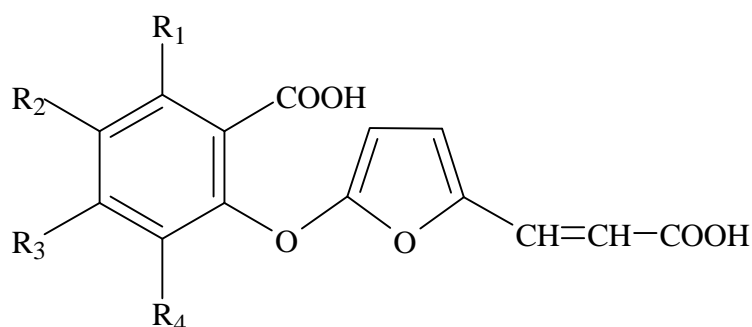
- 101:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=R₄=H **106:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=OCH₃
102: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=CH₃ **107:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=OCH₃
103: R=CH₃, R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=CH₃ **108:** R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=OCH₃
104: R=CH₃, R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=CH₃ **109:** R=CH₃, R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=OCH₃
105: R=C₂H₅, R₂=R₃=R₄=H, R₁=CH₃

| | | Superoxide Formation | |
|------------|--|----------------------|-----------------|
| Compound | conc.----- | | |
| | (μ M) nmol/10 ⁶ cells/30 min | | (% inh) |
| | Control | 1.61 \pm 0.10 | -- |
| 101 | (10) | 1.53 \pm 0.13 | 4.8 \pm 7.1 |
| | (30) | 1.54 \pm 0.13 | 4.2 \pm 7.5 |
| 102 | (10) | 1.63 \pm 0.15 | -1.0 \pm 6.1 |
| | (30) | 1.65 \pm 0.08 | -4.0 \pm 8.6 |
| 103 | (10) | 1.53 \pm 0.08 | 4.7 \pm 2.5 |
| | (30) | 1.32 \pm 0.08 | 17.9 \pm 3.9 |
| 104 | (10) | 1.69 \pm 0.15 | -5.6 \pm 11.6 |
| | (30) | 1.71 \pm 0.15 | -6.6 \pm 9.8 |
| 105 | (10) | 1.47 \pm 0.19 | 9.3 \pm 9.1 |
| | (30) | 1.51 \pm 0.14 | 6.2 \pm 8.6 |
| TFP | (3) | 1.43 \pm 0.10 | 8.6 \pm 2.0 |
| | (10) | 0.30 \pm 0.03** | 80.2 \pm 2.0 |
| | (30) | 0.12 \pm 0.01** | 90.9 \pm 0.4 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 7.6 \pm 0.3 |
| | Control | 6.34 \pm 0.25 | -- |
| 106 | (10) | 5.43 \pm 0.14 | 14.0 \pm 3.6 |
| | (30) | 5.30 \pm 0.34 | 16.2 \pm 6.0 |
| 107 | (10) | 6.18 \pm 0.52 | 2.5 \pm 7.8 |

| | | | |
|------------|------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| | (30) | 5.31 ± 0.65 | 15.3 ± 13.3 |
| 108 | (10) | 5.18 ± 0.81 | 18.8 ± 10.4 |
| | (30) | 5.29 ± 0.27 | 16.3 ± 5.5 |
| 109 | (10) | 6.25 ± 0.40 | 1.2 ± 6.5 |
| | (30) | 5.86 ± 0.21 | 7.5 ± 0.7 |
| TFP | (3) | 5.63 ± 0.10 | 8.6 ± 2.0 |
| | (10) | $1.18 \pm 0.03^{**}$ | 80.2 ± 2.0 |
| | (30) | $0.47 \pm 0.01^{**}$ | 90.9 ± 0.4 |
| | IC₅₀ | | 7.6 ± 0.3 |

Neutrophil suspensions were preincubated at 37 °C with 0.5 % DMSO or test compounds in the presence of cytochalasin B (5 µg/ml) for 3 min. Fifteen minutes after the addition of PMA (3 nM), the absorbance was determined at 550 nm. Trifluoperazine (TFP) is a positive control. Values are presented as mean ± S.E., N=3-5. *: P<0.05, **: P<0.01.

Table 30. The inhibitory effect of 5-(2'-carboxyl substituted phenoxy)-2-furanacrylic acids on rat neutrophil superoxide formation (*in vitro*)



111: R₁=R₂=R₃=R₄=H

112: R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=CH₃

113: R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=CH₃

114: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=CH₃

116: R₁=R₂=R₃=H, R₄=OCH₃

117: R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=OCH₃

118: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=OCH₃

120: R₁=R₂=R₄=H, R₃=Cl

121: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Cl

122: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=Br

123: R₁=R₃=R₄=H, R₂=I

| Compound | Superoxide Formation | | |
|------------|--|-------------------|-----------------|
| | conc.----- (μ M) nmol/10 ⁶ cells/30 min | (% inh) | |
| | Control | 1.61 \pm 0.10 | -- |
| 111 | (10) | 1.77 \pm 0.07 | -10.7 \pm 6.4 |
| | (30) | 1.57 \pm 0.12 | 2.3 \pm 6.4 |
| 112 | (10) | 1.62 \pm 0.09 | -0.6 \pm 2.4 |
| | (30) | 1.61 \pm 0.05 | -0.6 \pm 4.5 |
| 113 | (10) | 1.60 \pm 0.14 | 0.2 \pm 10.6 |
| | (30) | 1.44 \pm 0.11 | 10.9 \pm 4.7 |
| 114 | (10) | 1.53 \pm 0.16 | 5.7 \pm 7.3 |
| | (30) | 1.65 \pm 0.14 | -2.1 \pm 6.6 |
| TFP | (3) | 1.43 \pm 0.10 | 8.6 \pm 2.0 |
| | (10) | 0.30 \pm 0.03** | 80.2 \pm 2.0 |
| | (30) | 0.12 \pm 0.01** | 90.9 \pm 0.4 |
| | IC ₅₀ | 7.6 \pm 0.3 | |
| | Control | 6.34 \pm 0.25 | -- |
| 116 | (10) | 5.39 \pm 0.08 | 14.7 \pm 2.9 |
| | (30) | 5.46 \pm 0.95 | 14.7 \pm 11.6 |
| 117 | (10) | 5.51 \pm 0.21 | 13.0 \pm 1.7 |
| | (30) | 6.03 \pm 0.96 | 4.8 \pm 14.9 |

| | | | |
|------------|------------------|---------------|-------------|
| 118 | (10) | 6.34 ± 0.28 | -0.03 ± 1.2 |
| | (30) | 6.64 ± 0.62 | -4.5 ± 6.8 |
| 120 | (10) | 5.76 ± 0.88 | 10.0 ± 10.4 |
| | (30) | 6.20 ± 0.53 | 2.4 ± 5.8 |
| 121 | (10) | 6.76 ± 0.24 | -6.8 ± 4.5 |
| | (30) | 6.36 ± 0.36 | -0.2 ± 2.8 |
| 122 | (10) | 5.86 ± 0.47 | 7.5 ± 7.1 |
| | (30) | 5.62 ± 0.90 | 12.2 ± 10.5 |
| 123 | (10) | 6.86 ± 0.16 | -8.6 ± 4.7 |
| | (30) | 6.26 ± 0.49 | 1.2 ± 6.4 |
| TFP | (3) | 5.63 ± 0.10 | 8.6 ± 2.0 |
| | (10) | 1.18 ± 0.03** | 80.2 ± 2.0 |
| | (30) | 0.47 ± 0.01** | 90.9 ± 0.4 |
| | IC ₅₀ | | 7.6 ± 0.3 |

Neutrophil suspensions were preincubated at 37 °C with 0.5 % DMSO or test compounds in the presence of cytochalasin B (5 µg/ml) for 3 min. Fifteen minutes after the addition of PMA (3 nM), the absorbance was determined at 550 nm. Trifluoperazine (TFP) is a positive control. Values are presented as mean ± S.E., N=3-5. *: P<0.05, **: P<0.01.