



# Síntesi i aplicació de $\psi$ -dipèptids amb estructura de 3 aminopiperidona. Síntesi de $\psi$ -melanotans

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## **SUMMARY & CONCLUSIONS**

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## CHAPTER 6. SUMMARY & CONCLUSIONS

1. We have obtained 7 melanotan derivatives, all including conformation-restrained dipeptides. To select the best set of modifications we have performed molecular dynamic simulations using the lactam molecule **13** as the template.

2. Five scaffolds have been synthesized:

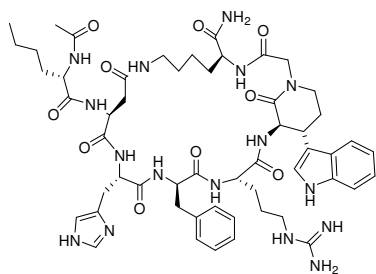
- the lactamic pseudodipeptide **13** as Trp surrogate. This compound is obtained from compound **21** by a Michael addition of indole.
- the oxazolopiperidone **15** which is a  $\beta$ -turn mimetic and we have adapted their structure to the solid phase peptide synthesis.
- Azadipeptides {azaSer}-Phe **85** and **88** and {azaArg}-Phe **91** properly protected for the Boc/Bn solid phase synthesis.
- The diazanorbornanes dipeptides {azaSer-Phe} **86** and {azaArg}Phe **108** protected with Fmoc for their use in solid phase peptide synthesis using the Fmoc/<sup>t</sup>Bu strategy.
- The tripeptide **110** in solution by coupling Fmoc-Trp(Boc)-OH to azadipeptide **90a** in order to confirm the capacity of norbornane dipeptides for the peptide synthesis. PyBOP and HOAt are required to achieve the coupling reaction.

3. Synthesis of peptides

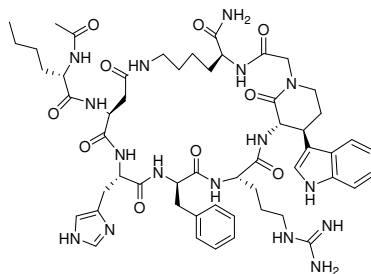
- We have prepared the model peptide **MT2** as reference for the synthesis, conformational studies and future biological assays.
- We have used compounds **13** and **108** to synthesise pseudopeptides in which the active site of **MT2** was modified. Peptide **121** was obtained as a mixture of diastereomers which were separated by semipreparative HPLC. Pseudomelanotan **121a** was obtained with 99% purity and **121b** with 88% purity. Pseudopeptide **120** which includes the {azaArg} **108** was obtained with a purity of 95%.
- Pseudopeptide **122** in which the central residues of  $\beta$ -turn was replaced by oxazolopiperidone **15** was obtained with a purity higher than 99%.
- Three pseudopeptides with modifications in the flexible part of **MT2** were obtained. Compound **15** was used for the synthesis of pseudomelanotan **123** which was obtained with 98% purity. Pseudoazapeptides **124** (94% purity) and **125** (95% purity) were prepared by replacing the Lys residue of **MT2** with

diazanorbornanes **101b** and **114**. However these peptides were obtained in low yields.

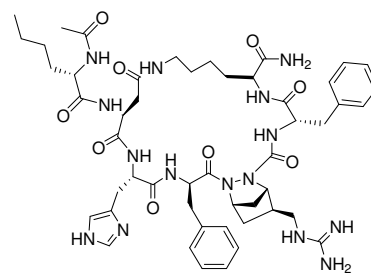
- All peptides were characterized by analytic HPLC, MALDI and NMR.



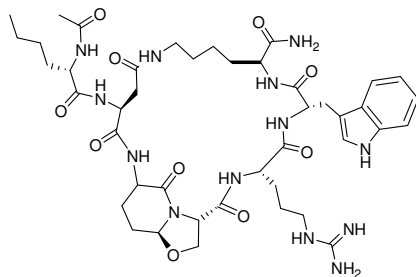
**121a**  
Yield 19%  
Purity 99%



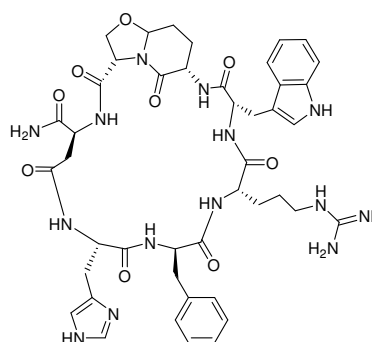
**121b**  
Yield 20%  
Purity 88%



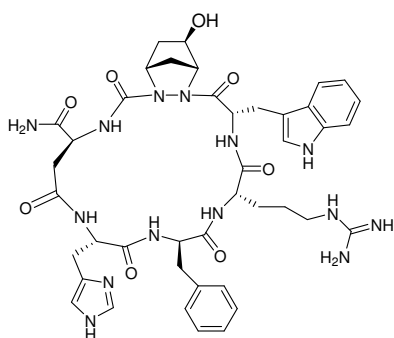
**120**  
Yield 19%  
Purity 95%



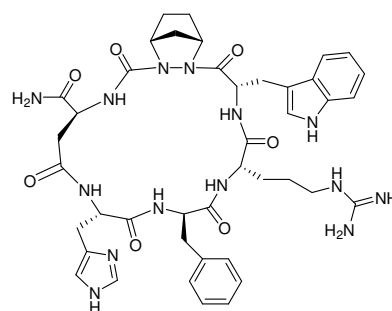
**122**  
Yield 44%  
Purity 99%



**123**  
Yield 46%  
Purity 98%



**124**  
Yield 3%  
Purity 92%



**125**  
Yield 1%  
Purity 95%

4. All peptides have been studied by NMR to determine their conformation in solution.