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Supplementary data

Definitions for Abbreviations used:

A2780: human ovarian carcinoma cell line

A2780cisR: cisplatin-resistant human ovarian carcinoma cell line BOP: benzotriazol-1-yloxytris(dimethylamino)phosphonium

DCM: dichloromethane

DIPEA: N, N-diisopropylethylamine

DMF: dimethylformamide

ESI-MS: electrospray ionisation mass spectroscopy Fmoc: fluorenylmethoxycarbonyl protecting group

MBHA: 4-methylbenzhydrylamine NMP: N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone

NMR: nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy

Rink amide linker: 4-(2',4'-Dimethoxyphenyl-Fmoc-aminomethyl)-phenoxy linker

Rink amide MBHA resin: 4-(2',4'-Dimethoxyphenyl-Fmoc-aminomethyl)-phenoxyacetamido-

norleucyl-MBHA resin (H. Rink, Tetrahedron Lett. 1987, 28, 3787)

SPPS: solid-phase peptide synthesis

TEA: triethyl amine TFA: trifluoroacetic acid

Synthesis of 1a

To preswollen 2-chlorotrityl resin (0.05 mmol) was added, N-α,ε-di-Fmoc-L-Lysine OH (0.1 mmol, 2 equiv) and DIPEA (0.2mmol) in DCM. After 1.5 h the resin was washed (DCM/MeOH/DIPEA 17:2:1; DCM, DMF, DCM) to yield 1a.

Synthesis of 1b

Fmoc protected Rink Amide MBHA resin was treated with 20% piperidine in DMF (2 x 20 min) after which the resin was washed (DMF, DCM). N-α,ε-di-Fmoc-L-Lysine OH (0.2 mmol, 4 equiv), BOP (0.2 mmol) and DIPEA (0.4 mmol) in NMP (1 mL) was added and the reaction was shaken for 1 h. The resin was washed (NMP, DCM, NMP) to yield 1b.

Synthesis of 4

Fmoc protected Rink Amide MBHA resin was treated with 20% piperidine in DMF (2 x 20 min) after which the resin was washed (DMF, DCM). (0.2 mmol, 4 equiv), BOP (0.2 mmol) and DIPEA (0.4 mmol) in NMP (1 mL) was added and the reaction was shaken for 1 h. The resin was washed (NMP, DCM, NMP). Removal of the Fmoc group was accomplished by treatment with 20% piperidine in DMF (2 x 20 min) after which the resin was washed (DMF, DCM). The subsequent N-α Fmoc-L-Glysine OH and N-α,ε-di-Fmoc-L-Lysine OH were coupled under

analogous conditions in a stepwise procedure to yield 4.

Synthesis of 7

Treatment of 4 with 95% TFA in water and subsequent precipitation in diethyl ether gave 7 as a white powder. All non exchangeable protons assigned by ¹H NMR.