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Synthesis and antitumor activities of novel succinamic acid derivatives by potato disc assay

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In view of potential biological activities of some succinic acid derivatives, we synthesized some novel N-[4-(morpholine-4-sulfonyl)-phenyl]-succinamic acid [1a-d] and N-(4-benzylsulfamoyl-phenyl)-succinamic acid [2a-d] derivatives as antitumor agents. The antitumor activity of compounds was studied using the potato disk bioassay technique. Among these N-Benzyl-N'-(4-benzylsulfamoyl-phenyl)-succinamide [2c] and N-Benzyl-N'-[4-(morpholine-4-sulfonyl)-phenyl]-succinamide[1c] exhibited significant inhibition of crown gall tumors caused by *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* at 10 microgram/ml concentration. The activity of compounds was comparable to that of vincristine.