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Non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) is the most common type (80-85%) of lung cancer sub-categorized into adenocarcinoma, squamous cell carcinoma and large cell carcinoma. Unfortunately, the majority of NSCLC cases are diagnosed in patients reaching localized advanced stage III or metastatic stage IV and thus require some form of chemotherapy intervention. Over 160,000 deaths occurred in the USA in 2018 due to respiratory system cancers including NSCLC.¹ Initial therapy with the first-generation tyrosine kinase inhibitors (TKIs) erlotinib, gefitinib and icotinib achieved remarkable benefits targeting the endothelial growth factor receptor (EGFR) tyrosine kinase domain. Mutations in EGFR which activate the RAS signaling pathway, occur to the extent of 85% in NSCLC due to exon 19 deletions (E746-A750del, ex19del) and exon 21 point mutations such as (L858R). Gefitinib was first approved for primary NSCLC that contains activating mutations EGFR^{L858R/ex19del}. Second-generation TKIs such as neratinib, canertinib, dacomitinib and afatinib were designed to covalently target a conservative Cys797 residue in both wild type (WT) and mutant EGFR thus enhancing their kinome selectivity and duration of response due to longer target engagement in the presence of high intracellular concentrations of ATP. However, rapid emergence of resistance to all clinically used first and second-generation TKIs in about 50% of patients, limits their clinical benefit due to selection of a single gatekeeper mutation T790M (exon 20) that increases affinity to ATP and restricts access to a hydrophobic binding pocket. To overcome acquired resistance to EGFR^{T790M}, third-generation covalent TKIs,²⁻⁴ osimertinib and olmutinib were developed³ and a number of experimental drugs such as nazartinib,⁵ naguotinib,⁶ avitinib,⁷ PF06747775⁸ and others are in various stages of development.^{9,10} Despite these impressive advances, multiple resistance mechanisms to osimertinib and olmutinib have been reported most notably dominated by the emergence of a C797S mutation in about 40% of clinical cases.²⁻⁴ Ironically, this mutation prevents the formation of a covalent bond between the inhibitors and Cys797. The intense clinical and regulatory activities in the period of 2013-2018 resulted in the FDA approval of erlotinib, gefitinib, afatinib, osimertinib and olmutinib covering different modalities to treat NSCLC patients. Current research efforts have focused on further development of fourth-generation inhibitors with a profile of inhibiting, activating mutations (L858R, exon19del), T790M and the C797S mutations (EGFRL858R/T790M/C797S) and indeed, good progress has been made as in brigatinib¹¹

(phase 2), the non-ATP allosteric inhibitor EA1045¹² and others,^{3,13,14} although it remains to be seen whether these fourth-generation inhibitors will rapidly select for resistance as well.

An alternative strategy to developing fourth-generation inhibitors is based on combining EGFR^{L858R/exdel19} first-generation and EGFR^{T790M} third-generation inhibitors. The principle behind this strategy is supported by examining the allelic context of EGFR^{C797S} and EGFR^{T790M} selected by a combination of osimertinib with erlotinib which determines the sensitivity to the TKIs combination. Trans alleles (on the same clones) are sensitive to first and third-generation TKIs combinations, whereas cis alleles (different clones) are less effected.^{15,16} Structural analysis suggests that the third-generation TKIs restore the cytoplasmic juxtamembrane segment structure to the conformation of EGFR in the wild-type state when activated by its natural ligand EGF.¹⁷ This juxtamembrane segment structure which links the kinase domain with the extracellular regions is likely an important player since mutant and EGFR^{WT} have similar kinase domains. We therefore, considered a strategy to address the rapid resistance to third-generation inhibitors by a *de novo* design of EGFR^{L858R/exdel19} inhibitors for combination therapy with third-generation inhibitors. In this paper, we report on our lead identification efforts which led to novel EGFR^{L858R/ex19del} TKIs that carry 1,2-dithiolanes as a possible moiety that might be targeted by the conservative Cys797 residue in an alternative fashion to acrylamide containing inhibitors. Sparing EGFR^{WT} activity remains a desirable property of TKIs to limit skin rash side effects due to keratinocytes injury which eventually leads to release of IL-31, a known pruritus-inducing cytokine.¹⁸

Quinazolines and 3-cyanoquinolines were chosen as core heterocycles due to their precedents as EGFR inhibitors. Various *N*-4 headpiece moieties explored in this study (Figure 1) were selected from those in clinical candidates pelitinib/afatinib/canertinib/sapitinib/dacomitinib, lapatinib and CP-724,714. The key intermediates: 6-aminoquinazolines and -3-cyanoquinolines (Figure 1, **1-8**) were prepared by a displacement reaction of the 4-chloro heterocycles with anilines as previously described for **6**.¹⁹



Figure 1. Key Aniline Intermediates 1-8.

3-Cyanoquinolines **7** and **8** were prepared in 4 steps involving: 1) dealkylation of the 7methoxy heterocycle **9** with BBr₃ in dichloromethane, 2) displacement of the 4-chloro moiety in **10** with 3-chloro-4-((3-fluorobenzyl)oxy)aniline, 3) O-alkylation of **11** using either (*S*) or (*R*)-(2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxolan-4-yl)methyl methanesulfonate with Cs₂CO₃ with *N*.*N*-dimethyl formamide , 4) hydrolysis with potassium hydroxide in methanol as shown in Scheme 1.

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Scheme 1. Synthesis Protocol for 7 and 8

Reagents and conditions: (a) $BBr_3 DCM$, 0 °C 0.5 h, (b) 100 °C, 5 h, 80%, (c) 3-chloro-4-((3-fluorobenzyl)oxy) aniline, i-propanol, 150 °C 12 h 56%, (d) $Cs_2CO_3 DMF$, rt 0.5, (e) (R)-(2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxolan-4-yl)methyl methanesulfonate 90 °C, 12 h, 12%, (f) (S)-(2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxolan-4-yl)methyl methanesulfonate 90 °C, 12 h, 12%, (g) KOH/MeOH 70 °C 6 h, 25%

Anilines **1-6** were coupled with various dithio derivatives using one of three methods A, B or C to furnish target compounds 13 - 32 (Schemes 2, 3). A direct coupling protocol of anilines **1**, **2**, **4**, and **6** with a 1,2 dithiolane acyl chloride generated *in situ* from 2-(1,2-dithiolan-3-yl)acetic acid **33** or lipoic acid **34** and oxalyl chloride in dichloromethane-tetrahydrofuran solvent system was achieved in method A. In this fashion, target compounds **16**, **17**, **19** and **22** were prepared.

In method B, a coupling agent such as 1-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-3-ethylcarbodiimide hydrochloride (EDC) in *N*-methyl pyrrolidone was used to effect the reaction of anilines **3**, **5**, **6** with asparagusic acid **35** as well as **33** and **34**. Method B proved to be useful for the preparation of **13**, **15**, **21**, **25** and **28**. In an alternative approach depicted as method C, 2-(bromomethyl)acrylic acid **36** was converted stepwise to 3-(acetylthio)-2-((acetylthio)methyl)propanoic acid **38** by reaction with thioacetic acid via the intermediacy of **37**. Compound **38** was then converted to its chloroacyl derivative S,S'-(2-(chlorocarbonyl)propane-1,3-diyl) diethanethioate **39** by reaction with oxalyl chloride. Coupling of **39** with anilines **1**, **2**, **3**, **5** and **6** produced the corresponding S,S'-

carbamoyl)propane-1,3-diyl)diethanethioates which were isolated and treated with methanolic ammonia to provide compounds **14**, **18**, **20**, **24**, and **27**. Conversion of **23** and **26** to **24** and **27** respectively was also achieved via hydrolysis of **23** and **26** with sodium borohydride in dimethyl acetamide followed by acid quench to produce bismercapto intermediates which were readily oxidized by dimethyl sulfoxide to asparagusic analogs **24** and **27**.

Scheme 2. Synthesis of TKIs by Methods A, B and C



Reagents and conditions: (a) Oxalyl chloride, DCM-THF 0 °C, 15 min, (b) Anilines **1, 2, 4, 6,** DIEA, DMF-THF 0 °C, 1 h, 8-13% 2 steps.

Method A

Method B



Reagents and Conditions: (a) EDC, NMP (b) Anilines 3, 5, 6 rt 2 h, 17-37% 2 steps



Reagents and conditions: (a) $Na_2CO_3-H_2O$ 47% (b) AcSH (c) HCl 45% (d) AcSH 45% (e) Oxalyl chloride DCM-THF, DIEA 0 °C, 1 h, (f) anilines **1**, **2**, **3** (g) NH₃ in MeOH 2-4% 3 steps from **38** (h) anilines **5**, **6** 4% (i) **23** to **24** and **26** to **27** NaBH₄ DMA (i) DMSO 120 °C, 1 h, 12-17% 2 steps

Compounds **29-32** were prepared following the protocols in method C (Scheme 3) by coupling of **7** and **8** with **38** to produce **39** and **40** respectively, followed by deprotecting of acetonides with acid to diols **29** and **30**. Oxidative hydrolysis to 1,2 dithiolanes **31** and **32** was achieved by methanolic ammonia in dichloromethane.



Reagents and conditions: (a) Method C DIPEA-DCM, rt 2 h, 34-63% (b) HCl MeOH rt 30 min, 10% (c) NH_3 MeOH rt 30 min, 75%

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The SAR was assessed in two biochemical binding assays: rabbit reticulocyte lysate and KINOME*scan*TM. Initially, inhibitors **13-32** were evaluated against EGFR^{WT} and EGFR^{L858R} and Her2 kinases in the rabbit reticulocyte lysate assay (*Kinase*SeekerTM) which contains the cellular components necessary for protein synthesis. This assay is a homogeneous competition binding assay where the displacement of an active site dependent probe by an inhibitor is measured by a change in luminescence signal reported in IC₅₀ values.²⁰ Luminescence readout translates into a highly sensitive and robust assay with low background and minimal interference from test compounds.

The activity of compounds in mutant EGFR was assessed in the KINOME*scan*[™] assay which is a competition binding assay that quantitatively measures the ability of a compound to compete with an immobilized, active-site directed ligand. The ability of the test compound to compete with the immobilized ligand is measured via quantitative PCR of the DNA tag and reported as inhibitor binding constants (Kd values) from duplicate 11-point dose response curves.²¹

In the set of 3-cyanoquinolines (13-16) lacking any C7 substituent, 13 and 14 displayed weaker activity against EGFR^{WT} and EGFR^{L858R} than **15** and **16** suggesting that the 3chloro-4-((3-fluorobenzyl)oxy)anilino headpiece is preferred over the 3-methyl-4-((6methylpyridin-3-yl)oxy)anilino moiety of **13** and **14**. This finding was consistently observed in the 7-methoxyguinazolines 17-20 where 19 and 20 emerged 8-60 fold more potent than **17** and **18** against EGFR^{L858R} Preference for inhibiting EGFR^{L858R} by inhibitors containing the 3-chloro-4-((3-fluorobenzyl)oxy)anilino over 3-chloro-4fluoroanilino headpieces was established in several pairs of lipoic acid conjugates 21 and 22, asparagusic acid conjugates 24 and 27 and, 2-(1,2-dithiolan-3-yl)acetic acid conjugates 25 and 28. From this set of inhibitors, we deduced that asparagusic and 2-(1,2-dithiolan-3-yl)acetic acid conjugates have similar activity against EGFRL858R and both conjugates displayed good selectivity over EGFRWT. Acyclic intermediates 23 and 26 were about 2-fold less active against EGFR^{L858R} than target compounds 24 and 27 respectively. The 7-dihydroxypropyl analogs 31 and 32 maintained the increased inhibition of EGFR^{L858R} with good selectivity over EGFR^{WT} (Table 1). In this pair, small preference for the S stereochemistry was noted. Compounds 15, 21, 23-25 were not evaluated against EGFR^{WT} due to their modest activity against EGFR^{L858R}.

Entry	Compound	EGFR ^{WT}	EGFR ^{L858R}	Method
1	13	8630 ± 850	>10,000	В
2	14	>10,000	>10,000	С
3	15	NT	199 ± 19	В
4	16	164 ± 15	36 ± 12	А
5	17	253 ± 20	48 ± 8	А
6	18	658 ± 219	413 ± 68	С
7	19	25 ± 2	5.8 ±1	А
8	20	76 ± 6	6.5 ± 0.8	С
9	21	NT	420 ± 5	B
10	22	730 ± 65	33 ± 4	A
11	23	NT	494 ± 30	С
12	24	NT	219 ± 47	С
13	25	NT	300 ± 40	В
14	26	340 ± 67	26.8 ± 4.2	С
15	27	210 ± 20	18 ± 3	С
16	28	120 ± 19	10.9 ± 1.9	В
17	31	125 ± 12	9 ± 2	С
18	32	256 ± 21	20 ± 7	С

Table 1. SAR in Rabbit Reticulocyte Assay (IC₅₀ Values in nM)*

*Ten point dose response curve, each value is an average of triplicate experiments

It was deemed of relevance to benchmark the inhibitors against a select set of clinical and marketed compounds including mutant selective as well as first-generation inhibitors. Since historical data in the rabbit reticulocyte assay were limited for these inhibitors, the IC_{50} values (in nM) were determined in this assay format (Supplementary Figure 1). Inhibitor **28** compared well to this set and was considered worthy of further evaluation.

In order to determine the activity of lead candidates in mutant EGFR enzymes other than EGFR^{L858R}, the KINOME*scan*TM assay was chosen because it had the ability to test all relevant mutants of EGFR. Thus, we first established the correlation between the rabbit reticulocyte and KINOME*scan*TM assays by comparing the IC₅₀ and K_d values for three most potent inhibitors **22**, **26** and **28** against EGFR^{L858R}. The data (Supplementary Table 1) showed excellent correlation between the two assay formats thus justifying the use of this assay to determine the activity in mutant EGFR.

Next, the activity of lead candidate **28** was determined against several activating EGFR mutations including the highly frequent deletion mutation of EGFR^{ex19del}. The K_d values were in the range of 4.8-48 nM against ten EGFR variants including the EGFR^{L861Q},

EGFR^{G719C} and EGFR^{ex19del} mutants (Supplementary Table 2). Inhibitor **28** displayed good activity (48 nM) against the EGFR^{ex19del} mutant, being about 2-4 fold better in comparison to the asparagusic acid analog **27** (110 nM) which contains the isomeric 1,2-dithiolanyl moiety and its precursor **26** (180 nM) respectively.

To evaluate kinase selectivity, Her2 the closely related ErbB family member was chosen. In this case all EGFR^{L858R} inhibitors tested displayed good selectivity (> 25 fold) over Her2 in the same rabbit reticulocyte lysate assay format with **17** being the least selective (Table 2). Moreover, **28** displayed even greater selectivity (Supplementary Table 3) over several TEC family kinases (TEC, BMX, BTK, and ITK).

Entry	Compound	EGFR ^{WT}	EGFR ^{L858R}	Her2
1	13	8630 ± 850	>10,000	>10,000
2	16	164 ± 15	36 ± 12	730 ± 150
3	17	253 ± 20	48 ± 8	93 ± 19
4	18	658 ± 219	413 ± 68	590 ± 155
5	27	210 ± 20	18 ± 3	730 ± 150
6	28	120 ± 19	10.9 ± 1.9	160 ± 20
7	31	125 ± 12	9 ± 2	167 ± 20

Table 2. IC₅₀* Values (nM) against Her2

*Ten point dose response curve, each value is an average of triplicate experiments

Prior to this letter, the kinome activity of 1,2 dithiolane carboxamides was rather limited.²² Melchiorre *et al*,²³ proposed an intriguing multitarget-directed drug discovery strategy by combining structural features of oxidative stress and EGFR molecular recognition elements represented by 41 (Supplementary Figure 2) which contains a 6substituted 1,2-dithiolanyl carboxamide with a quinazoline core. Based on reversibility data in human epidermoid carcinoma A431 cells which overexpress EGFR and molecular modeling studies, the investigators concluded that 41 irreversibly block EGFR by a thiol-disulfide interchange reaction involving Cys797 of EGFR and the disulfide moiety of 41. We have utilized scanKINETIC[™] assay to evaluate the association/dissociation kinetics of two inhibitors 31 and 30. In this assay, the inhibitor binding kinetics are determined by measuring and comparing the K_d values under four sets of dose-response: 1) arm A: full equilibrating; 2) arm B: equilibrate/3-fold dilution/equilibrate; 3) arm C: partial equilibration and 4) arm D: predilution/full equilibration. The K_d values for **31** against EGFR^{L858R} under these four conditions was determined to be 0.7, 8.4, 1.9 and 16 nM. This suggests that **31** kinetics are consistent with a reversible inhibitor with rapid dissociation kinetics (K_d arm B/ K_d arm A =12) and relatively slow association kinetics (K_d arm C/ K_d arm A =2.7). Furthermore, compound 30 which is an open chain analog of 31 had K_d values against EGFR^{L858R} in the scanKINETIC[™] assay as follows: 2.1, 58, 5.9 and 60 nM in arms A-D respectively. These data suggest that relative to **31**, compound **30** has even faster dissociation

kinetics but similar slow association kinetics (Supplementary Table 4). Therefore, on the basis of these findings, it was concluded that **30** and **31** do not bind EGFR^{L858R} in an irreversible manner.²⁴ The apparent difference between our results and those of Melchiorre *et al* regarding the involvement of a possible thiol-disulfide interchange reaction may be due to the assay format (biochemical versus cellular), choice of dithiolane substrate with 4 versus 3-substituted dithiolanes, lack of C7 substituent or the nature of the kinase (EGFR^{L858R} versus EGFR^{WT}).

Inhibitor **28** has acceptable CYP isoforms 1A2, 3A4, 2B6, 2C8, 2C9, 2C19, 2D6 and metabolic profiles in S9, liver microsomes and hepatocytes (Supplementary Tables 5 and 6). In the NCI-60 panel, **28** as well as **17** demonstrated good cellular activity relative to gefitinib against three NSCLC cell lines and two leukemia lines with GI_{50} values in the range of 0.11-1.07 μ M (Table 3). The desirable high LC₅₀ values obtained resulted in excellent therapeutic index (2->227) in this set of cell lines.

Table 3. Cellular Activity in μ M of 17	7, 28 and Gefitinib ir	n Select Cells in the N	CI-60
Panel ^a			

		17			28		Gefitinib
Cell Line	GI_{50}^{b}	LC ₅₀ c	TId	GI ₅₀ b	LC ₅₀ c	TId	Gl ₅₀ ^e
NSCLC							
A549	0.76	NT		0.54	3.4	6.2	7.94
NCI-H322M	1.07	> 50	> 46.7	0.60	> 25	> 41.5	0.08
NCI-H460	0.11	NT		0.47	1.95	4.1	6.31
Leukemia		/					
CCRF-CEM	0.22	> 50	> 227	0.15	> 25	> 166	5.01
MOLT-4	0.16	> 2.6	16.2	0.16	> 25	> 156	3.98

(a) Five dose response curve, each value is an average of 2 experiments; (b) GI_{50} is the concentration of the drug causing 50% growth inhibition (c) LC_{50} is the cytotoxic concentration due to 50% reduction in measured protein (d) LC_{50}/GI_{50} (e) data from the DTP-NCI database <u>https://dtp.cancer.gov/services/nci60data/meangraph/gi50/jpg/-4.0/715055</u>

In conclusion, we have outlined a new synthetic strategy to EGFR mutant selective inhibitors that led to the discovery of a new series of 1,2 dithiolane TKIs with potent activity against exon 19 deletion and exon 21 mutant EGFR. These inhibitors are selective over EGFR^{WT}, Her2 and TEC family kinases in the rabbit reticulocyte lysate assay. Two inhibitors **17** and **28** demonstrated good cellular activity and high therapeutic index in certain NSCLC and leukemia cell lines. Binding to EGFR^{L858R} is shown to be reversible as determined by the scanKINETICTM assay. The lead candidate **28** has good metabolic and excellent CYP isoform profile. Further optimization of lead candidate **28** shall be reported in due course.²⁴

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FIGURE LEGENDS

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Figure 1. Key Aniline Intermediates 1-8



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SCHEMES LEGENDS

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Scheme 1. Synthesis Protocol for 7 and 8.

Scheme 2. Synthesis of TKIs by Methods A, B and C

Scheme 3. Synthesis of 29-32



Scheme 1. Synthesis Protocol for 7 and 8

Reagents and conditions: (a) $BBr_3 DCM$, 0 °C 0.5 h, (b) 100 °C, 5 h, 80%, (c) 3-chloro-4-((3-fluorobenzyl)oxy) aniline, *i*-propanol, 150 °C 12 h 56%, (d) $Cs_2CO_3 DMF$, rt 0.5, (e) (*R*)-(2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxolan-4-yl)methyl methanesulfonate 90 °C, 12 h, 12%, (f) (*S*)-(2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxolan-4-yl)methyl methanesulfonate 90 °C, 12 h, 12%, (g) KOH/MeOH 70 °C 6 h, 25%

Scheme 2. Synthesis of TKIs by Methods A, B and C

Method A



Reagents and conditions: (a) Oxalyl chloride, DCM-THF 0 °C, 15 min, (b) Anilines **1, 2, 4, 6**, DIEA, DMF-THF 0 °C, 1 h, 8-13% 2 steps.

Method B

CC



Reagents and Conditions: (a) EDC, NMP (b) Anilines 3, 5, 6 rt 2 h, 17-37% 2 steps



Reagents and conditions: (a) $Na_2CO_3-H_2O$ 47% (b) AcSH (c) HCl 45% (d) AcSH 45% (e) Oxalyl chloride DCM-THF, DIEA 0 °C, 1 h, (f) anilines **1**, **2**, **3** (g) NH₃ in MeOH 2-4% 3 steps from **38** (h) anilines **5**, **6** 4% (i) **23** to **24** and **26** to **27** NaBH₄ DMA (i) DMSO 120 °C, 1 h, 12-17% 2 steps

Scheme 3. Synthesis of 29-32



Reagents and conditions: (a) Method C DIPEA-DCM, rt 2 h, 34-63% (b) HCl MeOH rt 30 min, 10% (c) NH_3 MeOH rt 30 min, 75%

TABLE LEGENDS

Table 1. SAR in Rabbit Reticulocyte Assay (IC_{50} Values in nM) Table 2. IC_{50} Values (nM) Against Her2 in the Rabbit Reticulocyte Lysate Assay Table 3. Cellular Activity in μ M of 17 and 28 in the NCI-60 Panel

Entry	Compound	EGFR ^{WT}	EGFR ^{L858R}	Method
1	13	8630 ± 850	>10,000	В
2	14	>10,000	>10,000	С
3	15	NT	199 ± 19	В
4	16	164 ± 15	36 ± 12	Α
5	17	253 ± 20	48 ± 8	A
6	18	658 ± 219	413 ± 68	С
7	19	25 ± 2	5.8 ±1	A
8	20	76 ± 6	6.5 ± 0.8	С
9	21	NT	420 ± 5	В
10	22	730 ± 65	33 ± 4	A
11	23	NT	494 ± 30	С
12	24	NT	219 ± 47	С
13	25	NT	300 ± 40	В
14	26	340 ± 67	26.8 ± 4.2	С
15	27	210 ± 20	18 ± 3	С
16	28	120 ± 19	10.9 ± 1.9	В
17	31	125 ± 12	9 ± 2	С
18	32	256 ± 21	20 ± 7	С

Table 1. SAR in Rabbit Reticulocyte Assay (IC₅₀ Values in nM)*

*Ten point dose response curve, each value is an average of triplicate experiments

Table 2. I	C50 [*]	Values ((nM)	against	Her2
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Entry	Compound	EGFR ^{WT}	EGFR ^{L858R}	Her2
1	13	8630 ± 850	>10,000	>10,000
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4	18	658 ± 219	413 ± 68	590 ± 155
5	27	210 ± 20	18 ± 3	730 ± 150
6	28	120 ± 19	10.9 ± 1.9	160 ± 20
7	31	125 ± 12	9 ± 2	167 ± 20

*Ten point dose response curve, each value is an average of triplicate experiments

		17			28		Gefitinib
Cell Line	GI ₅₀ b	LC ₅₀ c	TId	GI ₅₀ b	LC ₅₀ c	TId	Gl ₅₀ e
NSCLC							
A549	0.76	NT		0.54	3.4	6.2	7.94
NCI-H322M	1.07	> 50	> 46.7	0.60	> 25	> 41.5	0.08
NCI-H460	0.11	NT		0.47	1.95	4.1	6.31
Leukemia							
CCRF-CEM	0.22	> 50	> 227	0.15	> 25	> 166	5.01
MOLT-4	0.16	> 2.6	16.2	0.16	> 25	> 156	3.98

Table 3.	Cellular	Activity in µ	VI of 17 ,	28 and	Gefitinib	in Select	Cells in the) NCI-60
Panel ^a								

(a) Five dose response curve, each value is an average of 2 experiments; (b) GI_{50} is the concentration of the drug causing 50% growth inhibition (c) LC_{50} is the cytotoxic concentration due to 50% reduction in measured protein (d) LC_{50}/GI_{50} (e) data from the DTP-NCI database <u>https://dtp.cancer.gov/services/nci60data/meangraph/gi50/jpg/-</u>4.0/715055