

Discovery of a Novel Hybrid from Finasteride and Epristeride as 5 α -Reductase Inhibitor.

Starting from androsterone derivative (**I**) the analogue (**IX**) of BPH drugs finasteride and epristeride is synthesized and tested as novel potent 5 α -reductase inhibitor. Aromatization of the A ring and replacement of the carboxylic group lead to estrone derivative (**XII**) which shows diminished activities. — (YAO, Z.; XU, Y.; ZHANG, M.; JIANG, S.; NICKLAUS, M. C.; LIAO*, C.; *Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett.* 21 (2011) 1, 475-478, <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.bmcl.2010.10.112>; *Cent. Cancer Res.*, Natl. Cancer Inst., Frederick, MD 21702, USA; Eng.) — H. Haber



