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## Interaction between various resistance modifiers and apoptosis inducer 12H-Benzo[a]phenothiazine

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The effect of some resistance modifiers on apoptosis induction by a benzo[a]phenothiazine derivative was studied on the L5178Y mouse lymphoma cells and its multidrug resistant subline. For evaluation of apoptosis the cells were stained with FITC-labelled annexin V and propidium iodide and the results were analysed by flow cytometry. 12Hbenzo[a]phenothiazine (M1) induced apoptosis both in the lymphoma cells and in the MDR cells. The apoptosis induction by M1 was not affected significantly by post or pre-treatment with resistance modifiers, while in the cells treated by verapamil before and after apoptosis induction with M1, the apoptosis was somewhat higher. The resistance modifier compounds alone also induced apoptosis and it was slightly higher in the parent cells than its MDR1/A gene-transformed subline.