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[54] **QUINOLINE TYPE MEVALONOLACTONES**

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[57] **ABSTRACT**

A compound of the formula

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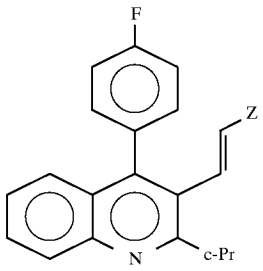

Z=—CH(OH)—CH_2—CH(OH)—CH_2—COO.½Ca have HMG—CoA inhibiting effects, making them useful as inhibitors of cholesterol biosynthesis. The compound may be prepared as a pharmaceutical for reducing hyperlipidemia, hyperlipoproteinemia or atherosclerosis.

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QUINOLINE TYPE MEVALONOLACTONES

This is a division, of application Ser. No. 07/631,092, filed on Dec. 19, 1990, which is a continuation of 07/233,752, filed Aug. 19, 1988.

The present invention relates to novel mevalonolactones having a quinoline ring, processes for their production, pharmaceutical compositions containing them and their pharmaceutical uses particularly as anti-hyperlipidemic, hypolipoproteinemic and anti-atherosclerotic agents, and intermediates useful for their production and processes for the production of such intermediates.

Some fermentation metabolic products such as compactine, CS-514, Mevinolin or semi-synthetic derivatives or fully synthetic derivatives thereof are known to be inhibitors against HMG-CoA reductase which is a rate limiting enzyme for cholesterol biosynthesis. (A. Endo J. Med Chem., 28(4) 401 (1985))

CS-514 and Mevinolin have been clinically proved to be potentially useful anti-hyperlipoproteinemic agents, and they are considered to be effective for curing or preventing diseases of coronary artery sclerosis or atherosclerosis. (IXth Int. Symp. Drugs Affect. Lipid Metab., 1986, p30, p31, p66)

However, with respect to fully synthetic derivatives, particularly hetero aromatic derivatives of inhibitors against HMG-CoA reductase, limited information is disclosed in the following literatures:

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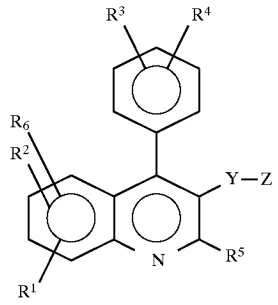
The present inventors have found that mevalonolactone derivatives having a quinoline ring, the corresponding dihydroxy carboxylic acids and salts and esters thereof have high inhibitory activities against cholesterol biosynthesis wherein HMG-CoA reductase acts as a rate limiting enzyme. The present invention has been accomplished on the basis of this discovery.

The novel mevalonolactone derivatives of the present invention are represented by the following formula I:



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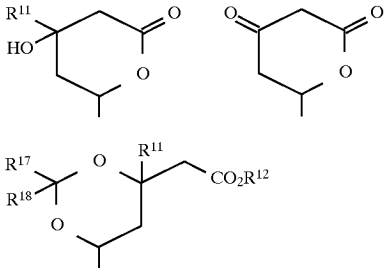
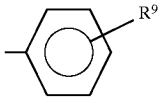
wherein R_1, R_2, R_3, R_4 and R^6 are independently hydrogen, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, C_{1-3} alkoxy, n-butoxy, i-butoxy, sec-butoxy, R^7R^8N- (wherein R^7 and R8 are independently hydrogen or C_{1-3} alkyl), trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, difluoromethoxy, fluoro, chloro, bromo, phenyl, phenoxy, benzyloxy, hydroxy, trimethylsilyloxy, diphenyl-t-butylsilyloxy, hydroxymethyl or $—O(CH_2)_lOR^{19}$ (wherein R^{19} is hydrogen or C_{1-3} alkyl, and l is 1, 2 or 3); or when located at the ortho position to each other, R^1 and R^2, or R^3 and R^4 together form —CH═CH—CH═CH—; or when located at the ortho position to each other, R^1 and R^2 together form $—OC(R^{15})(R^{16})O—$(wherein R^{15} and R^{16} are independently hydrogen or C_{1-3} alkyl); Y is $—CH_2—$, $—CH_2CH_2—$, —CH═CH—, $—CH_2—$CH═CH— or —CH═CH—CH_2—; and Z is -Q-CH_2WCH_2-CO_2R^{12},



(wherein Q is —C(O)—, $—C(OR^{13})_2—$ or —CH(OH)—; W is —C(O)—, $—C(OR^{13})_2—$ or $—C(R^{11})(OH)—$; R^{11} is hydrogen or C_{1-3} alkyl; R^{12} is hydrogen or R^{14} (wherein R^{14} is physiologically hydrolyzable alkyl or M (wherein M is NH_4, sodium, potassium, ½ calcium or a hydrate of lower alkylamine, di-lower alkylamine or tri-lower alkylamine)); two R^{13} are independently primary or secondary C_{1-6} alkyl; or two R^{13} together form $—(CH_2)_2—$ or $—(CH_2)_3—$; R^{17} and R^{18} are independently hydrogen or C_{1-3} alkyl; and R^5 is hydrogen, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{2-3} alkenyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl,



(wherein R^9 is hydrogen, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-3} alkoxy, fluoro, chloro, bromo or trifluoromethyl), phenyl-$(CH_2)_m$— (wherein m is 1, 2 or 3), $—(CH_2)_nCH(CH_3)$-phenyl or phenyl-$(CH_2)_nCH(CH_3)$— (wherein n is 0, 1 or 2).

Various substituents in the formula I will be described in detail with reference to specific examples. However, it should be understood that the present invention is by no means restricted by such specific examples.

C_{1-6} alkyl for R^1, R^2, R^3, R^4, R^6 and R^9 includes, for example, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, i-propyl, n-butyl, i-butyl, sec-butyl and t-butyl. C_{1-3} alkoxy for R^1, R^2, R^3, R^4 and R^6 includes, for example, methoxy, ethoxy, n-propoxy and i-propoxy.

C_{1-3} alkyl for R^{11} includes, for example, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl and i-propyl.

C_{1-3} alkyl for R^{13} includes, for example, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl and i-propyl.

Alkyl for R^{14} includes, for example, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, i-propyl, n-butyl and i-butyl.

M is a metal capable of forming a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, and it includes, for example, sodium and potassium.

CO_2M includes, for example, $—CO_2NH_4$ and $—CO_2H$. (primary to tertiary lower alkylamine such as trimethylamine).

C_{1-6} alkyl for R^5 includes, for example, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, i-propyl, n-butyl, i-butyl, sec-butyl, t-butyl, n-pentyl and n-hexyl.

C_{3-6} cycloalkyl for R^5 includes, for example, cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl and cyclohexyl.

C_{2-3} alkenyl for R^5 includes, for example, vinyl and i-propenyl.

Phenyl-$(CH_2)_m$- for R^5 includes, for example, benzyl, β-phenylethyl and γ-phenylpropyl.

Phenyl-$(CH_2)_nCH(CH_3)$— for R^5 includes, for example, α-phenylethyl and α-benzylethyl.

C_{1-3} alkyl for R^7 and R^8 includes, for example, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl and i-propyl.

Further, these compoundsmay have at least one or two asymmetric carbon atoms and may have at least two to four

optical isomers. The compounds of the formula I include all of these optical isomers and all of the mixtures thereof.

Among compounds having carboxylic acid moieties falling outside the definition of —CO_2R^{12} of the carboxylic acid moiety of substituent Z of the compounds of the present invention, those which undergo physiological hydrolysis, after intake, to produce the corresponding carboxylic acids (compounds wherein the —CO_2R^{12} moiety is —CO_2H) are equivalent to the compounds of the present invention.

Now, preferred substituents of the compounds of the present invention will be described.

In the following preferred, more preferred still further perferred and most preferred examples, the numerals for the positions of the substituents indicate the positions on the quinoline ring. For example, N' shown by e.g. 1' or 2' indicates the position of the substituent on the phenyl substituted at the 4-position of the quinoline ring (the carbon connected to the quinoline ring is designated as 1'). The meanings of the respective substituents are the same as the above-mentioned meanings.

Preferred substituents for R^1, R^2 and R^6 are hydrogen, fluoro, chloro, bromo, C_{1-3} alkyl, C_{1-3} alkoxy, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, dimethylamino, hydroxy, hydroxymethyl, hydroxyethyl, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, difluoromethoxy, phenoxy and benzyloxy.

Further, when R^6 is hydrogen, it is preferred that R^1 and R^2 together form methylenedioxy.

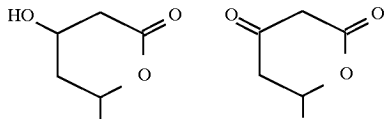
As preferred examples for R^3 and R^4, when R^4 is hydrogen, R^3 is hydrogen, 3'-fluoro, 3'-chloro, 3'-methyl, 4'-methyl, 4'-chloro and 4'-fluoro.

Other preferred combinations of R^3 and R^4 include 3'-methyl-4'-chloro, 3',5'-dichloro, 3',5'-difluoro, 3',5'-dimethyl and 3'-methyl-4'-fluoro.

Preferred examples for R^5 include primary and secondary C_{1-6} alkyl and C_{3-6} cycloalkyl.

Preferred examples for Y include —CH_2—CH_2— and —CH═CH—.

Preferred examples for Z include



—$CH(OH)CH_2CH_2(OH)CH_2CO_2R^{12}$, —$CH(OH)CH_2C(O)CH_2CO_2R^{12}$ and —$CH(OH)CH_2C(OR^{13})_2CH_2CO_2R^{12}$.

Now, more preferred substituents of the compounds of the present invention will be described.

As more preferred examples for R^1, R^2 and R^6, when both R^2 and R^6 are hydrogen, R^1 is hydrogen, 5-fluoro, 6-fluoro, 7-fluoro, 8-fluoro, 5-chloro, 6-chloro, 7-chloro, 8-chloro, 5-bromo, 6-bromo, 7-bromo, 8-bromo, 5-methyl, 6-methyl, 7-methyl, 8-methyl, 5-methoxy, 6-methoxy, 7-methoxy, 8-methoxy, 5-trifluoromethyl, 6-trifluoromethyl, 7-trifluoromethyl, 8-trifluoromethyl, 6-trifluoromethoxy, 6-difluoromethoxy, 8-hydroxyethyl, 5-hydroxy, 6-hydroxy, 7-hydroxy, 8-hydroxy, 6-ethyl, 6-n-butyl and 7-dimethylamino.

When R^6 is hydrogen, R^1 and R^2 together represent 6-chloro-8-methyl, 6-bromo-7-methoxy, 6-methyl-7-chloro, 6-chloro-8-hydroxy, 5-methyl-2-hydroxy, 6-methoxy-7-chloro, 6-chloro-7-methoxy, 6-hydroxy-7-chloro, 6-chloro-7-hydroxy, 6-chloro-8-bromo, 5-chloro-6-hydroxy, 6-bromo-8-chloro, 6-bromo-8-hydroxy, 5-methyl-8-chloro, 7-hydroxy-8-chloro, 6-bromo-8-hydroxy, 6-methoxy-7-methyl, 6-chloro-8-bromo, 6-methyl-8-bromo, 6,7-difluoro, 6,8-difluoro, 6,7-methylenedioxy, 6,8-dichloro, 5,8-dimethyl, 6,8-dimethyl, 6,7-dimethoxy, 6,7-diethoxy, 6,7-dibromo or 6,8-dibromo.

When R^1, R^2 and R^6 are not hydrogen, they together represent 5,7-dimethoxy-8-hydroxy, 5,8-dichloro-6-hydroxy, 6,7,8-trimethoxy, 6,7,8-trimethyl, 6,7,8-trichloro, 5-fluoro-6,8-dibromo or 5-chloro-6,8-dibromo.

As more preferred examples for R^3 and R^4, when R^3 is hydrogen, R^4 is hydrogen, 4'-methyl, 4'-chloro or 4'-fluoro. When both R^3 and R^4 are not hydrogen, they together represent 3',5'-dimethyl or 3'-methyl-4'-fluoro.

As more preferred examples for R^5, the above-mentioned preferred examples of R^5 may be mentioned.

As preferred examples for Y, —CH_2—CH_2— and (E)——CH═CH—may be mentioned. As more preferred examples for Z, the above preferred examples for Z may be mentioned.

Now, still further preferred substituents of the compounds of the present invention will be described. As examples for R^1, R^2 and R^6 , when both R^2 and R^6 are hydrogen, R^1 is hydrogen, 6-methyl, 6-ethyl, 6-trifluoromethyl, 6-hydroxy, 6-methoxy, 6-chloro, 6-bromo, 6-n-butyl and 7-dimethylamino.

When only R^6 is hydrogen, R^1 and R^2 represent 6,8-dichloro, 5,8-dimethyl, 6,8-dimethyl, 6,7-dimethoxy, 6,7-diethoxy, 6,7-dibromo, 6,8-dibromo, 6,7-difluoro and 6,8-difluoro.

As still further preferred examples for R^3 and R^4, when R^3 is hydrogen, R^4 is hydrogen, 4'-chloro or 4'-fluoro, or R^3 and R^4 together represent 3'-methyl-4'-fluoro.

Still further preferred examples for R^5 include ethyl, n-propyl, i-propyl and cyclopropyl.

Still further preferred examples for Y include (E)——CH═CH—.

As still further preferred examples for Z, the above-mentioned preferred example for Z may be mentioned.

Now, the most preferred substituents for the compounds of the present invention will be described.

As the most preferred examples for R^1, R^2 and R^6, when both R^2 and R^6 are hydrogen, R^1 is hydrogen, 6-methyl or 6-chloro.

When only R^6 is hydrogen, R^1 and R^2 together represent, for example, 6,7-dimethoxy.

As the most preferred examples for R^3 and R^4, R^3 is hydrogen and R^4 is hydrogen, 4'-chloro or 4'-fluoro.

The most preferred examples for R^5 include i-propyl and cyclopropyl. The most preferred example for Y may be (E)——CH═CH—.

As the most preferred examples for Z, the above-mentioned preferred examples for Z may be mentioned.

Now, particularly preferred specific compounds of the present invention will be presented. The following compounds (a) to (z) are shown in the form of carboxylic acids. However, the present invention include not only the compounds in the form of carboxylic acids but also the corresponding lactones formed by the condensation of the carboxylic acids with hydroxy at the 5-position, and sodium salts and lower alkyl esters (such as methyl, ethyl, i-propyl and n-propyl esters) of the carboxylic acids, which can be physiologically hydrolyzed to the carboxylic acids.

(a) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-(4"-fluorophenyl)-2'-(1"-methylethyl)-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(b) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-(4"-fluorophenyl)-2'-(1"-methylethyl)-6'-chloro-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(c) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-(4"-fluorophenyl)-2'-(1"-methylethyl)-6'-methyl-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(d) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-(4"-fluorophenyl)-2'-(1"methylethyl)-6',7'-dimethoxy-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(e) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-(4"-fluorophenyl)-2'-cyclopropyl-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(f) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-(4"-fluorophenyl)-2'-cyclopropyl-6'-chloro-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(g) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-(4"-fluorophenyl)-2'-cyclopropyl-6'-methyl-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(h) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-(4"-fluorophenyl)-2'-cyclopropyl-6',7'-dimethoxy-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(i) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-(4"-chlorophenyl)-2'-(1"-methylethyl)-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(j) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-(4"-chlorophenyl)-2'-(1"-methylethyl)-6'-chloro-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(k) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-(4"-chlorophenyl)-2'-(1"-methylethyl)-6'-methyl-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(l) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-(4"-chlorophenyl)-2'-(1"-methylethyl)-6',7'-dimethoxy-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(m) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-(4"-chlorophenyl)-2'-cyclopropyl-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(n) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-(4"-chlorophenyl)-2'-cyclopropyl-6'-chloro-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(o) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-(4"-chlorophenyl)-2'-cyclopropyl-6'-methyl-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(p) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-(4"-chlorophenyl)-2'-cyclopropyl-6'7'-dimethoxy-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(q) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-phenyl-2'-(1"-methylethyl)-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(r) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-phenyl-2'-(1"-methylethyl)-6'-chloro-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(s) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-phenyl-2'-(1"-methylethyl)-6'-methyl-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(t) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-phenyl-2'-(1"-methylethyl)-6',7'-dimethoxy-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(u) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-phenyl-2'-cyclopropyl-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(v) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-phenyl-2'-cyclopropyl-6'-chloro-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

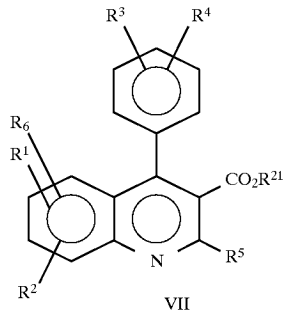
(w) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-phenyl-2'-cyclopropyl-6'-methyl-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(x) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-phenyl-2'-cyclopropyl-6',7'-dimethoxy-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(y) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-(4"-fluorophenyl)-2'-(1"-methylethyl)-6'-methoxy-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

(z) (E)-3,5-dihydroxy-7-[4'-(4"-fluorophenyl)-2'-cyclopropyl-6'-methoxy-quinolin-3'-yl]-hept-6-enoic acid

The mevalonolactones of the formula I can be prepared by the following reaction scheme. The enal III can also be prepared by processes K, L and M.



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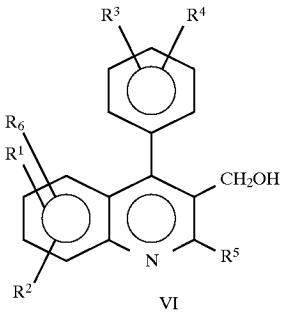

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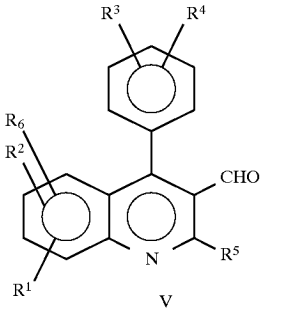

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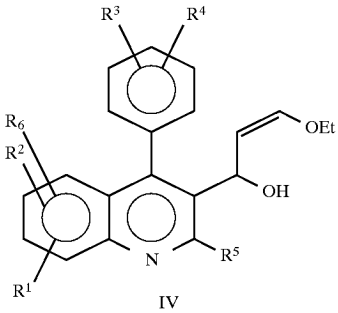

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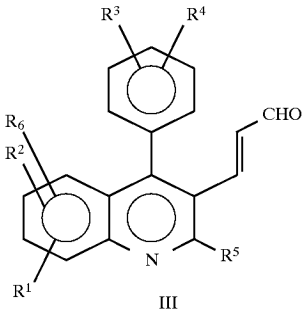

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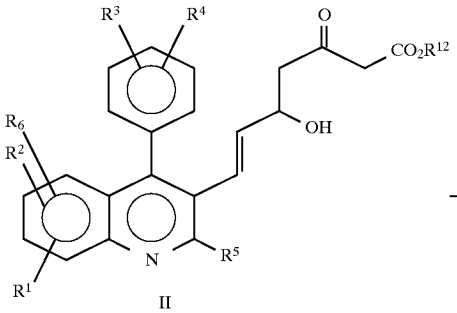

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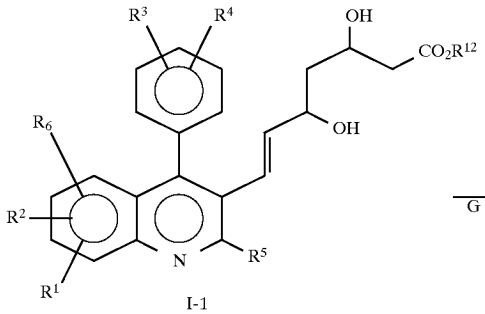

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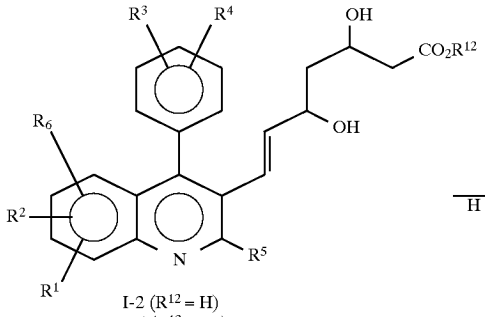

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I-5 (R^{12} = Na)

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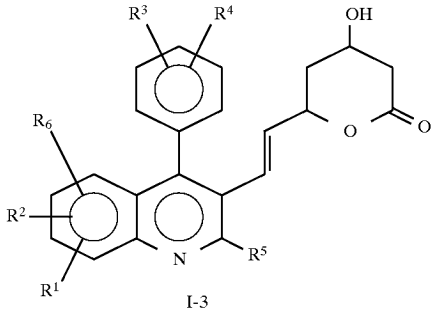

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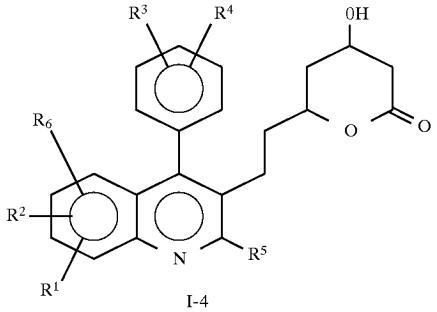

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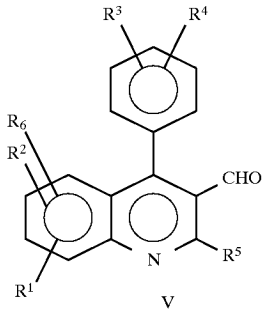

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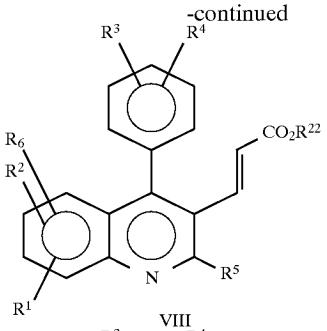

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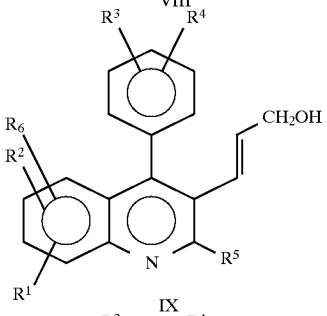

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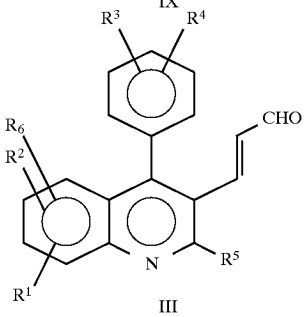

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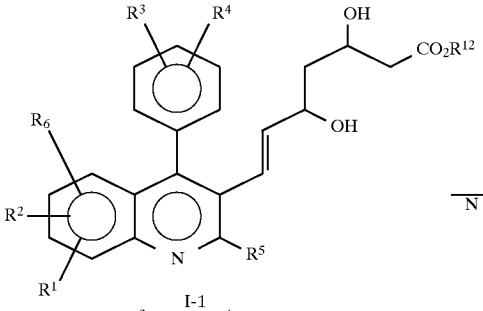

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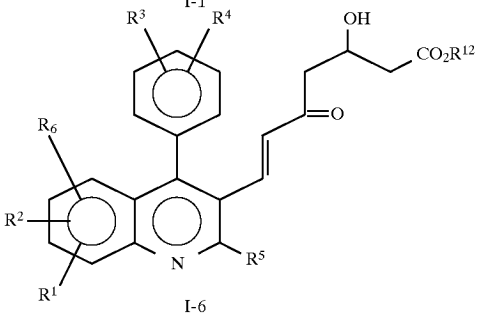

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In the above reaction scheme, R^1, R^2, R^3, R^4, R^5, R^6 and R^{12} are as defined above with respect to the formula I, and

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