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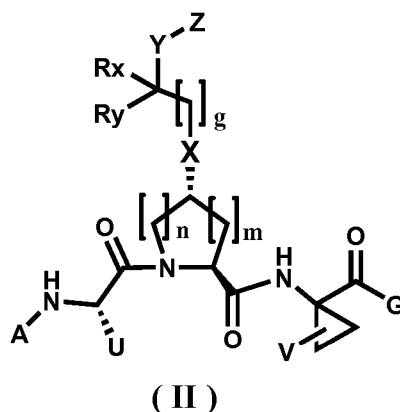
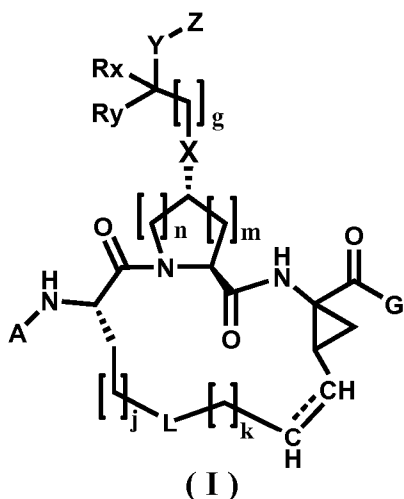
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(57) Abstract: The present invention discloses compounds of Formula I or II, or pharmaceutically acceptable salts, esters, or prodrugs thereof: which inhibit serine protease activity, particularly the activity of hepatitis C virus (HCV) NS3-NS4A protease. Consequently, the compounds of the present invention interfere with the life cycle of the hepatitis C virus and are also useful as antiviral agents. The present invention further relates to pharmaceutical compositions comprising the aforementioned compounds for administration to a subject suffering from HCV infection.

The invention also relates to methods of treating an HCV infection in a subject by administering to the subject a pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of the present invention.

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