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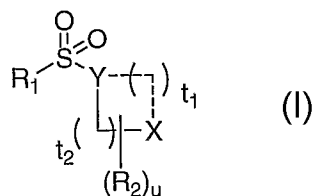
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(57) Abstract: Compounds, pharmaceutical compositions, kits and methods are provided for use with hydroxysteroid dehydrogenases that comprise a compound selected from the group consisting of: formula (I), wherein the variables are as defined herein.

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