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(I) which allows not only to improve the solubility of a hydroxyazole
scaffold-based *h*DHODH inhibitor but also its bioavailability. In partic-
ular, the prodrug of formula (I) is able to release *in vivo* the correspond-
ing hydroxyazole scaffold-based *h*DHODH inhibitor of general Formu-
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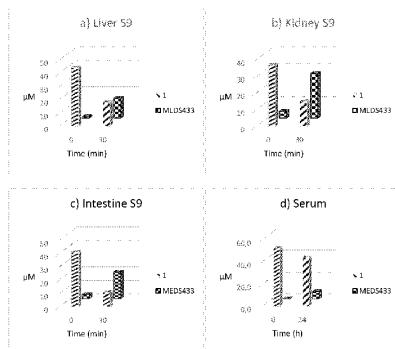
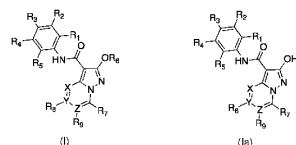


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