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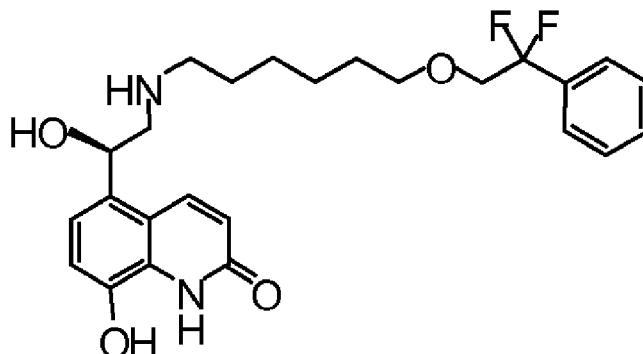
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(57) Abstract: The present invention is concerned with a process for preparing a 5-(2-{[6-(2,2-difluoro-2-phenylethoxy)hexyl]amino}-1(R)-hydroxyethyl)-8-hydroxyquinolin-2(1H)-one compound of formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.