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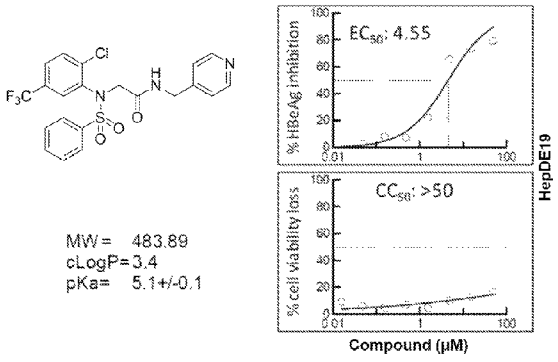
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Figure 1: 2-[Benzenesulfonyl-(2-chloro-5-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-amino]-N-pyridin-4-ylmethyl-acetamide (example 1) as an inhibitor of HBeAg production in HepDE19 cells.



(57) Abstract: Pharmaceutical compositions of the invention comprise covalently closed circular DNA formation inhibitors having a disease-modifying action in the treatment of diseases associated with the formation of covalently closed circular DNA that include hepatitis B infection, and any disease involving formation of covalently closed circular DNA.