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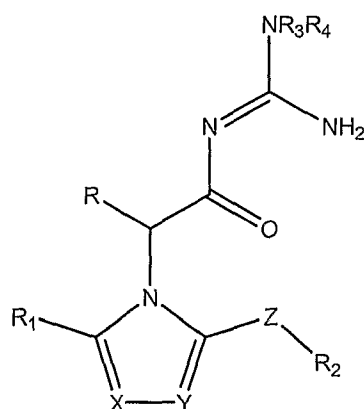
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(57) Abstract: The present invention provides an azolylacylguanidine compound of formula (I). The present invention also provides methods for the use thereof to inhibit  $\beta$ -secretase (BACE) and treat  $\beta$ -amyloid deposits and neurofibrillary tangles.