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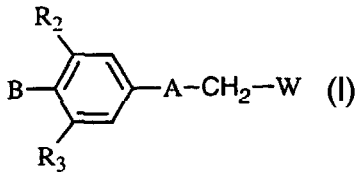
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(57) Abstract: The present invention provides a compound of formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof wherein: A is a structure i, ii, iii, or iv; B is (a), (b), (c) W is NHC(=X)R_1, or -Y-het; provided that when A is a structure iv, W is not -Y-het; Z is S(=O)(=N-R_5); and R_2 and R_3 are independently H, F, Cl, methyl or ethyl; which have potent activities against Gram-positive and Gram-negative bacteria.