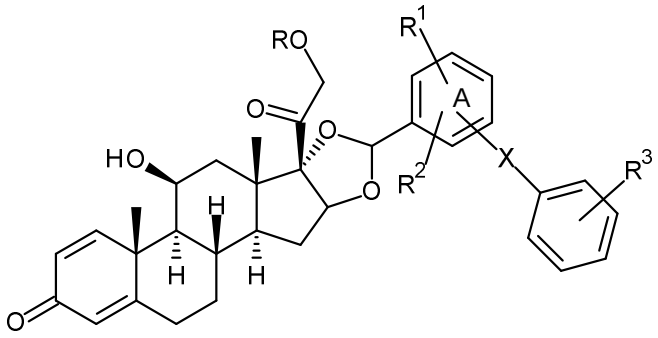
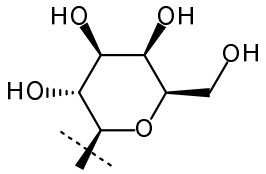
WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A compound of the formula:

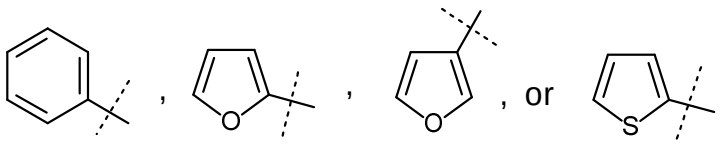


wherein R is H or



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R^1 is H, halogen, CN, C1-C3 alkyl, C3-C6 cycloalkyl, C1-C3 alkoxy, C2-C3 alkenyl, OCF_3,



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R^2 is H, halogen, C1-C3 alkyl, C1-C3 alkoxy, or C2-C3 alkenyl;

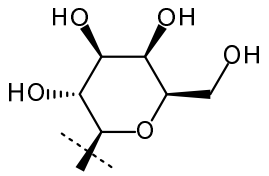
R^3 is NH_2, or CH_2NH_2; and

X is O, OCH_2, OCH_2CH_2, CH_2O, SCH_2, CH_2S, CH_2, $NHCH_2$, CH_2NH, $N(CH_3)CH_2$, CH_2CH_2, C≡C, or a bond, wherein X is connected to phenyl ring A at the ortho or the meta position, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

2. The compound according to claim 1 wherein R^3 is NH_2, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

3. The compound according to either claim 1 or claim 2 wherein R is H, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

4. The compound according to either claim 1 or claim 2 wherein R is



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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

5. The compound according to any one of claims 1-4 wherein R^1 is C1-C3 alkyl, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

6. The compound according to any one of claims 1-4 wherein R^1 is CH_3, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

7. The compound according to any one of claims 1-4 wherein R^1 is C1-C3 alkoxy, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

8. The compound according to any one of claims 1-4 wherein R^1 is OCH_3, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

9. The compound according to any one of claims 1-4 wherein R^1 is F, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

10. The compound according to any one of claims 1-9 wherein R^2 is F, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

11. The compound according to any one of claims 1-10 wherein X is OCH_2, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

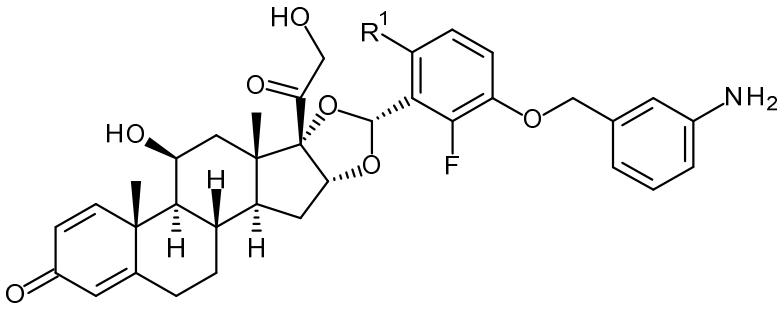
12. The compound according to any one of claims 1-10 wherein X is O, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

13. The compound according to any one of claims 1-10 wherein X is CH_2, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

14. The compound according to any one of claims 1-10 wherein X is SCH_2, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

15. The compound according to any one of claims 1-10 wherein X is a bond, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

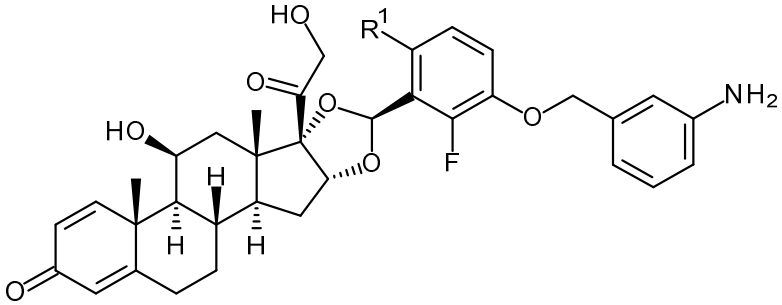
16. The compound according to claim 1 wherein the compound is of the formula:



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or a pharmaceuticall acceptable salt thereof.

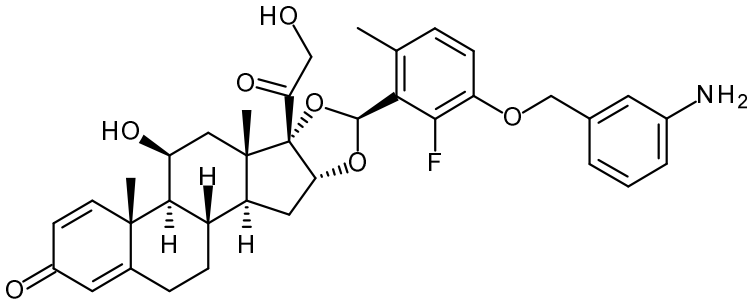
17. The compound according to claim 1 wherein the compound is of the formula:



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or a pharmaceuticall acceptable salt thereof.

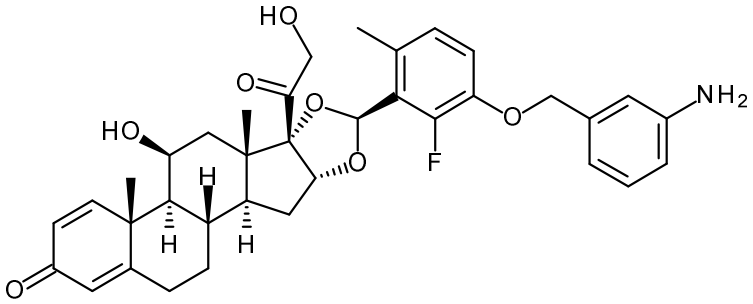
18. The compound according to claim 17 wherein the compound is:



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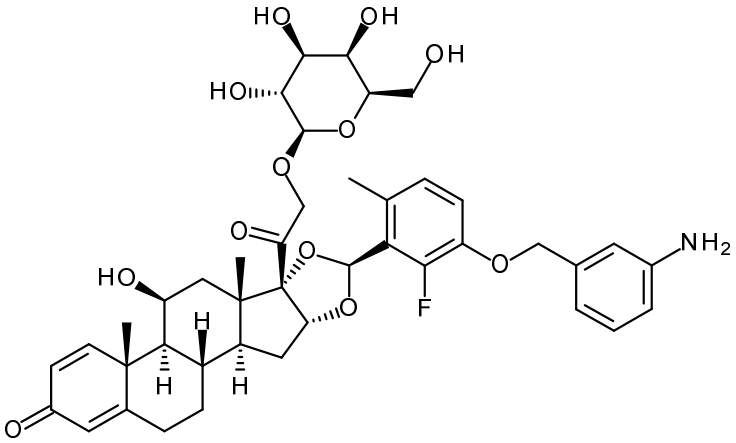
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

19. The compound according to claim 18 which is:



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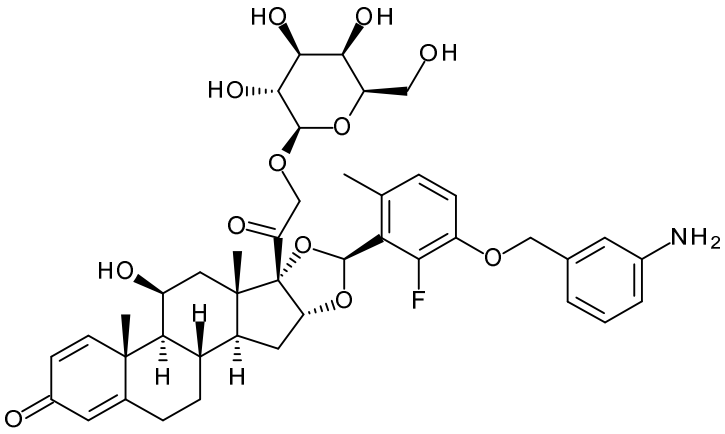
20. The compound according to claim 1 wherein the compound is:



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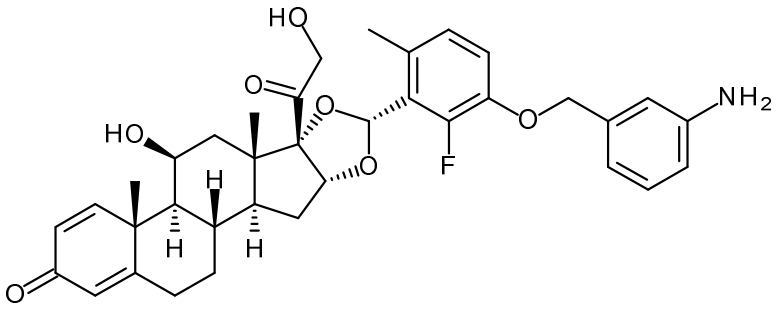
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

21. The compound according to claim 20, which is:



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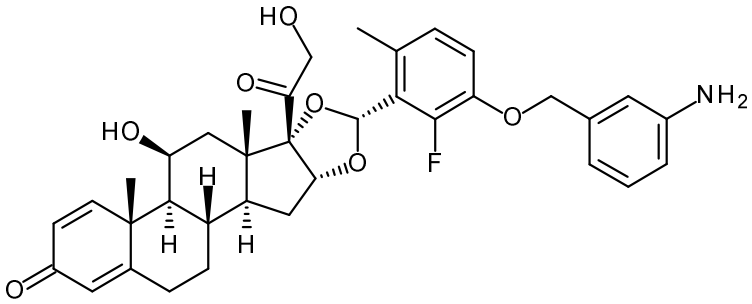
22. The compound according to claim 16 wherein the compound is:



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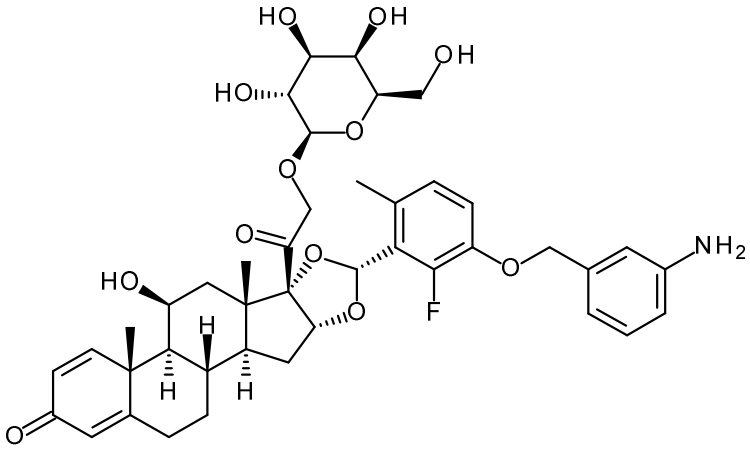
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

23. The compound according to claim 22 which is:



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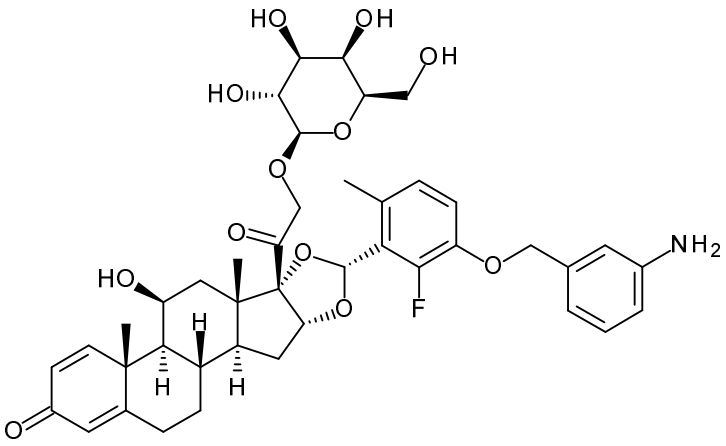
24. The compound according to claim 1 wherein the compound is:



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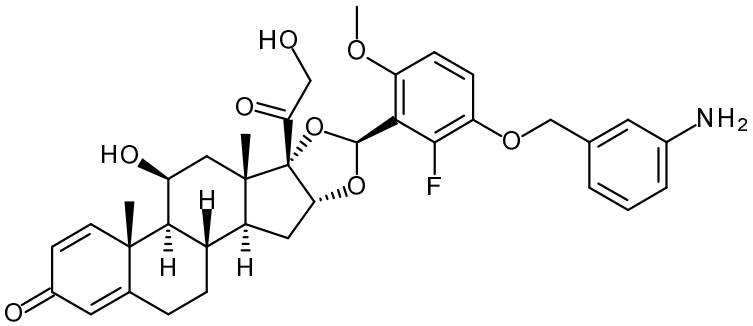
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

25. The compound according to claim 24 which is:



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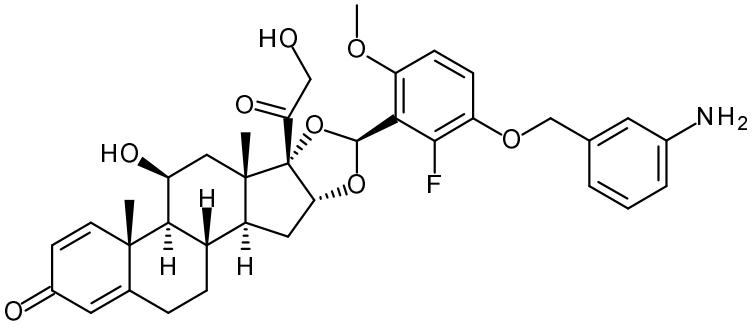
26. The compound according to claim 1 wherein the compound is:



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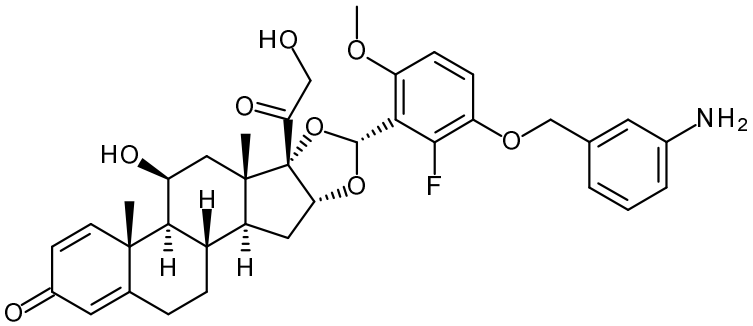
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

27. The compound according to claim 26 which is:



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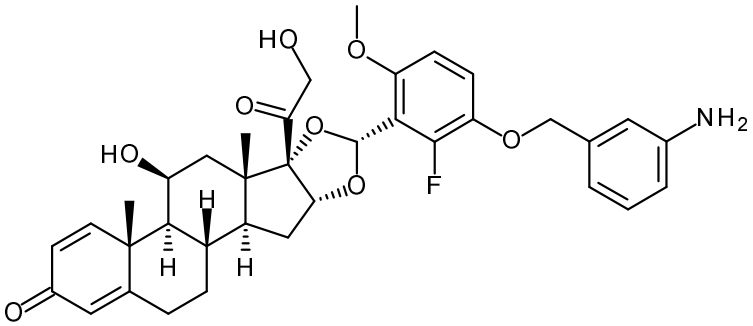
28. The compound according to claim 1 wherein the compound is:



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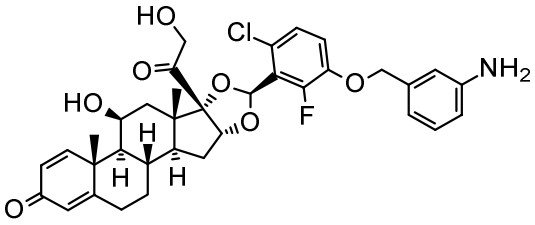
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

29. The compound according to claim 28 which is:

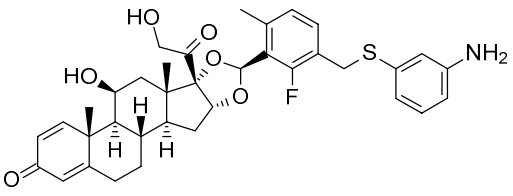


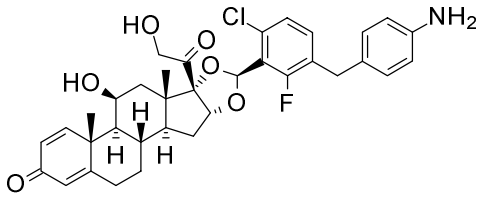
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30. The compound according to claim 1 wherein the compound is



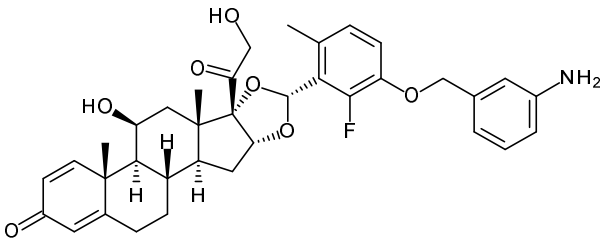
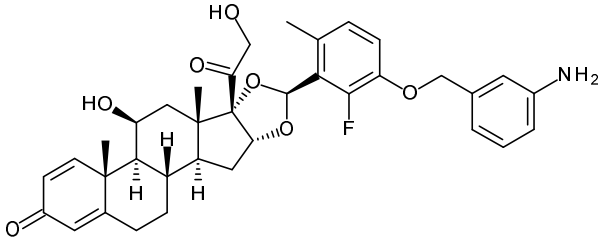
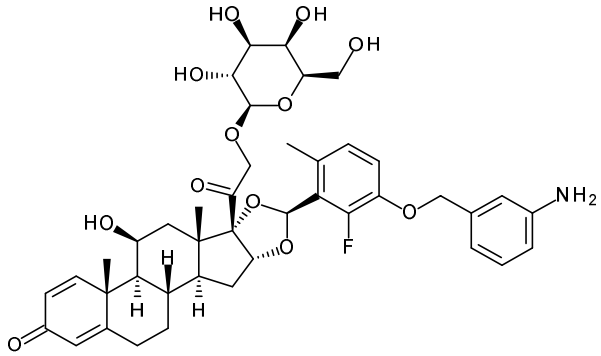
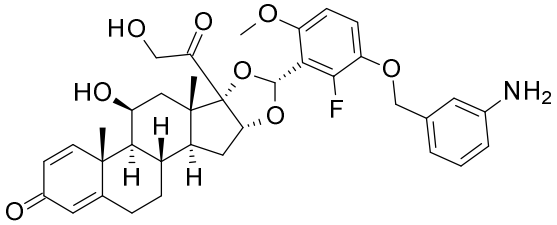
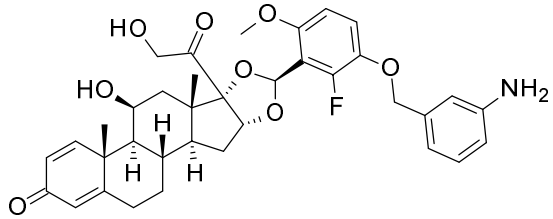
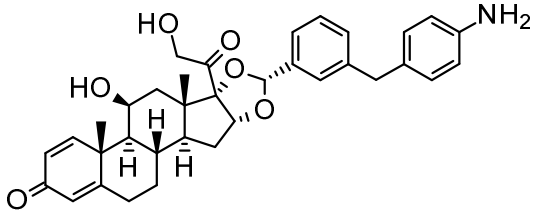
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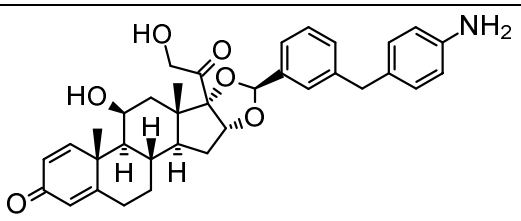
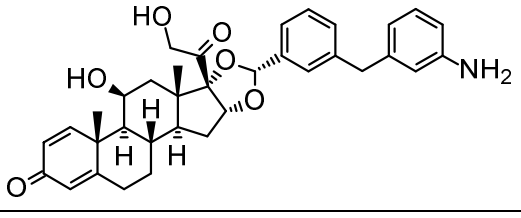
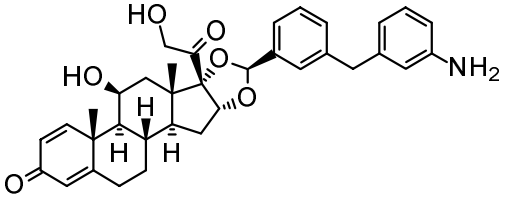
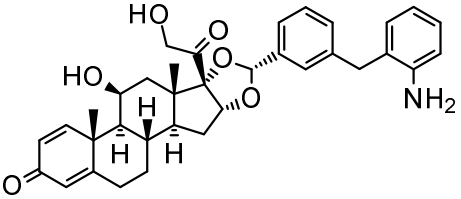
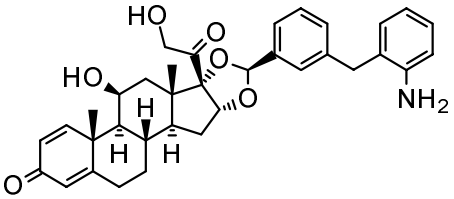
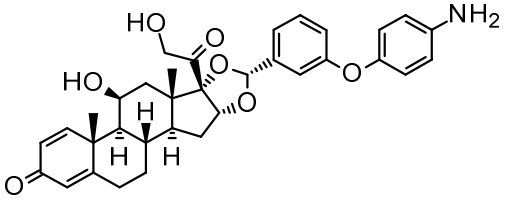
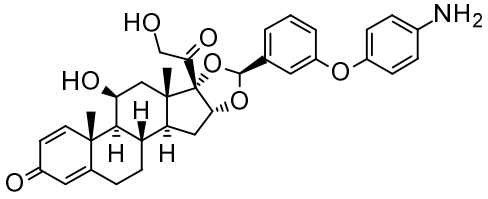
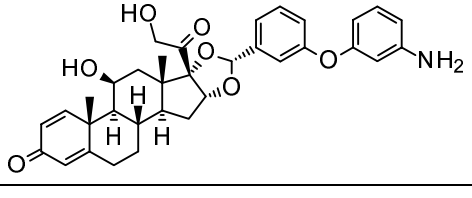


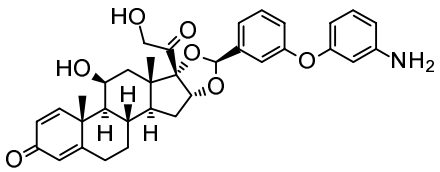
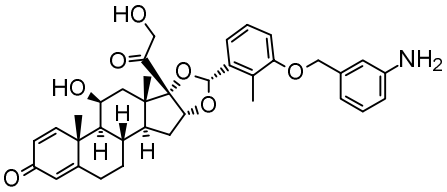
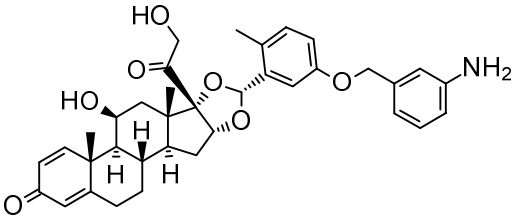
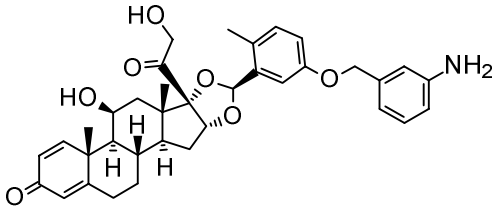
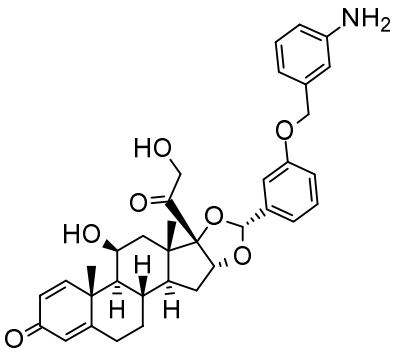
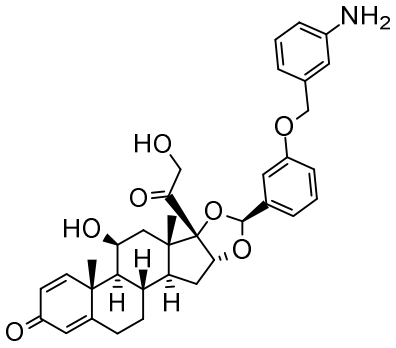
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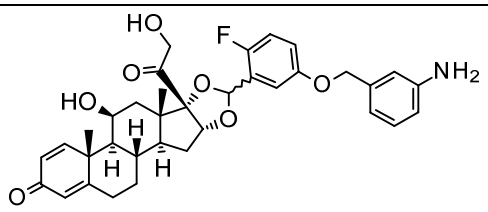
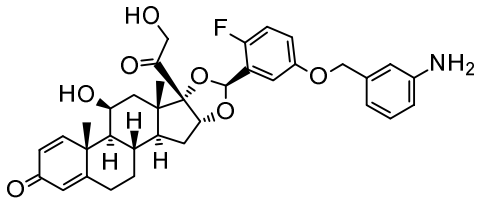
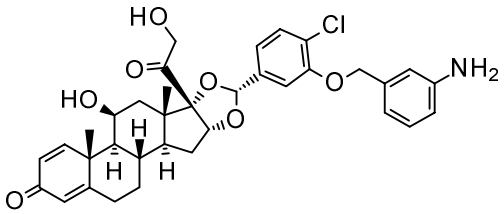
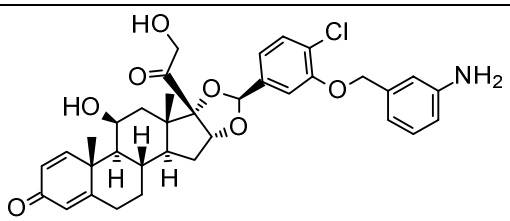
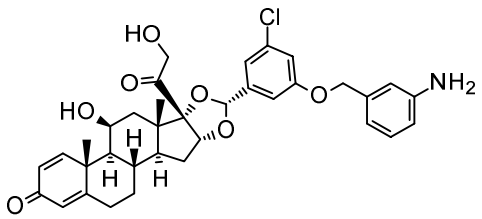
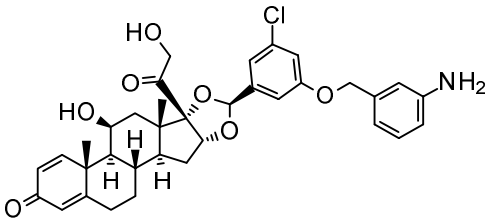
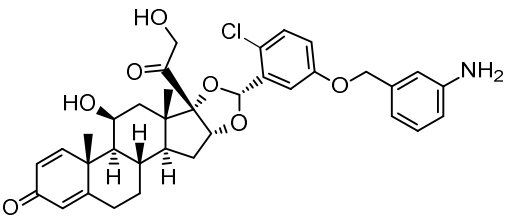
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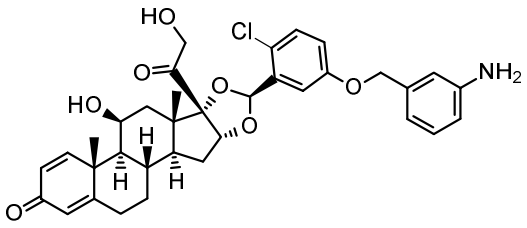
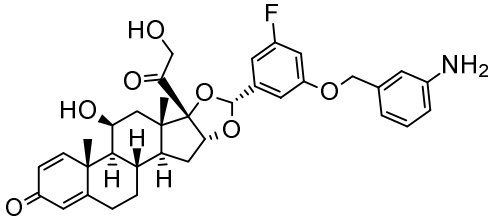
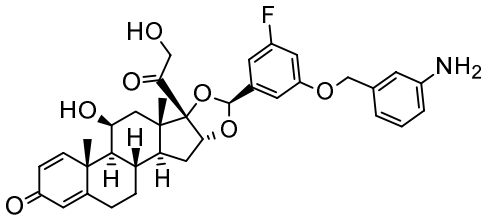
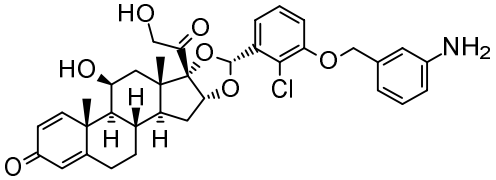
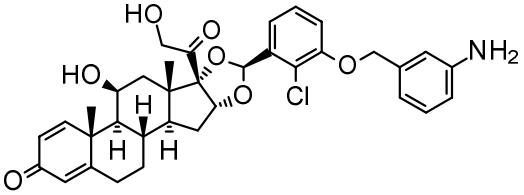
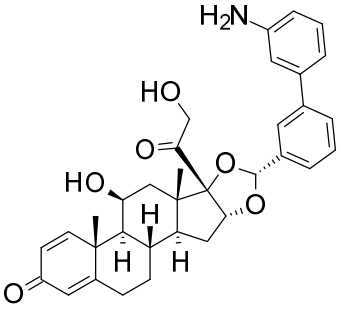
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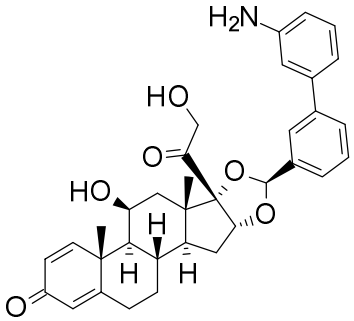
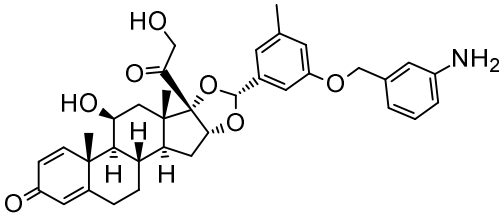
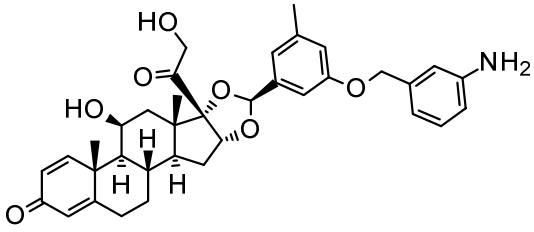
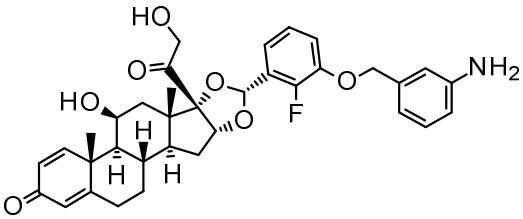
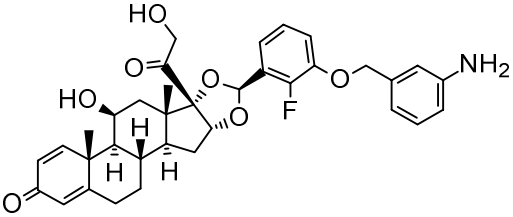
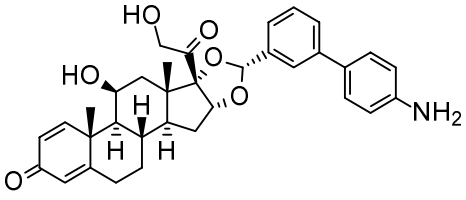
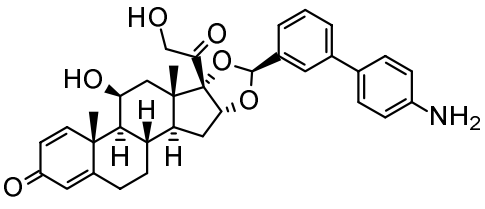
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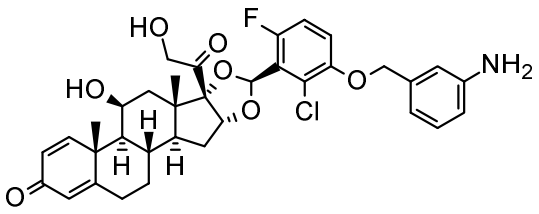
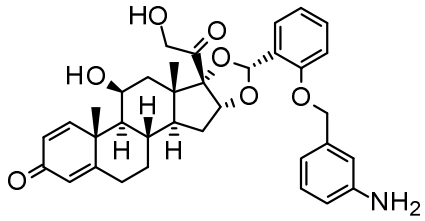
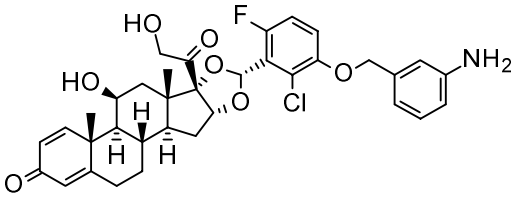
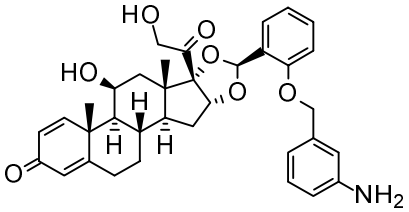
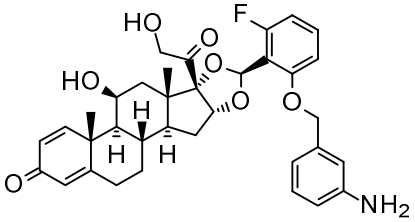
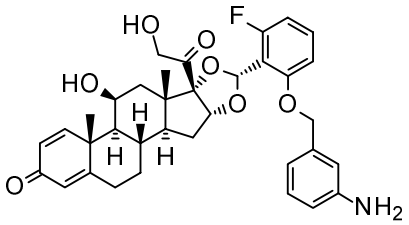
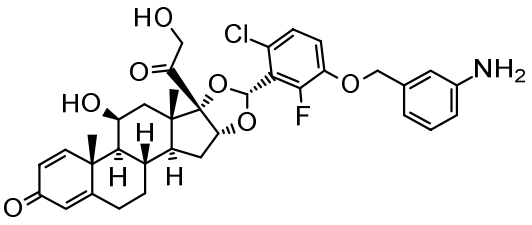
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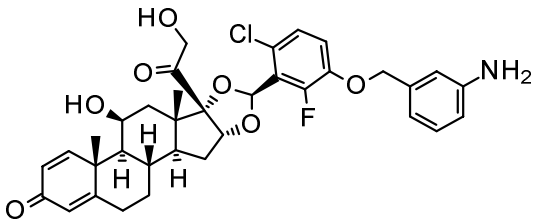
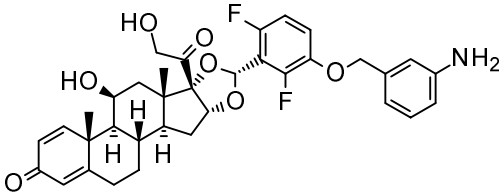
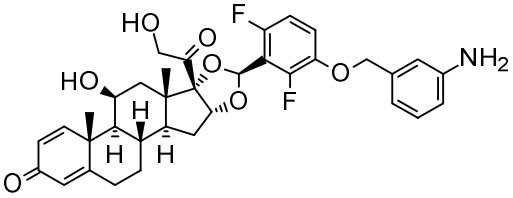
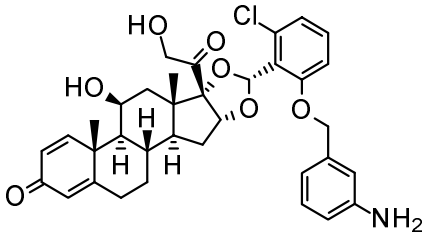
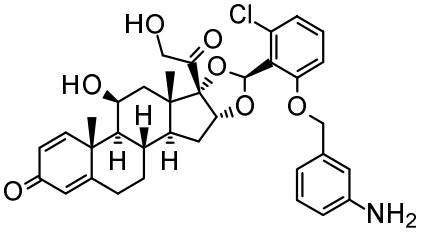
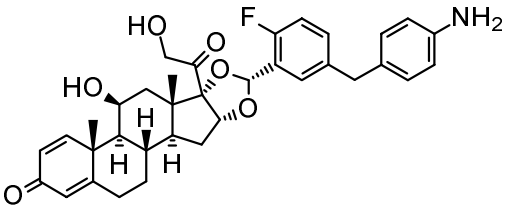
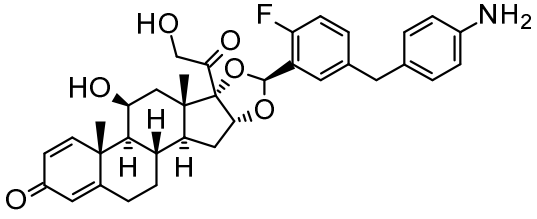
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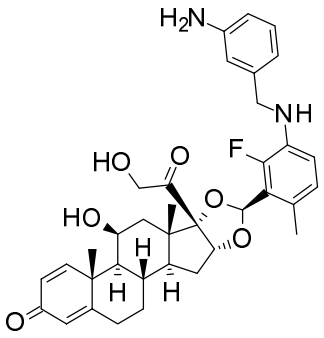
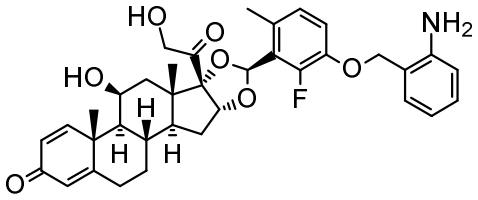
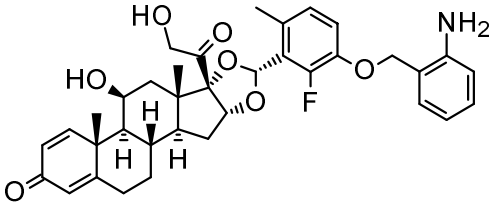
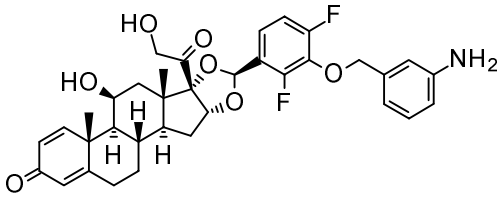
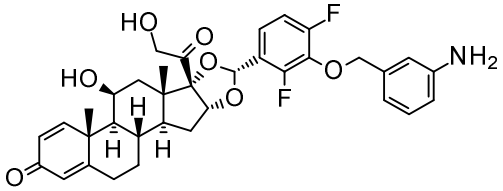
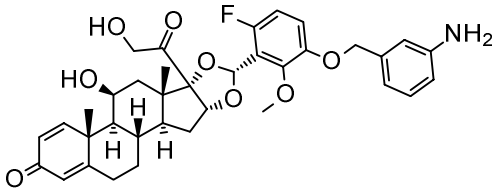
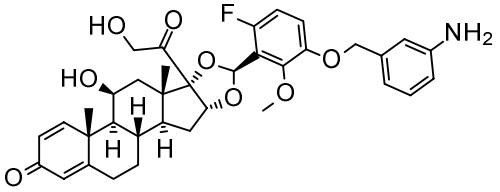
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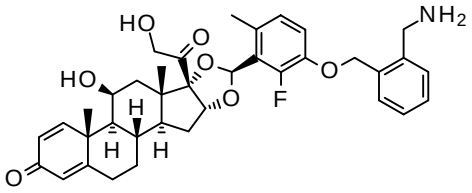
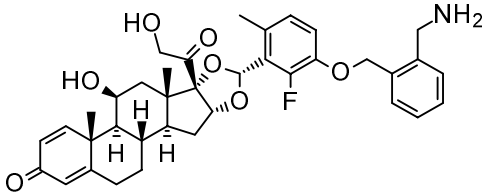
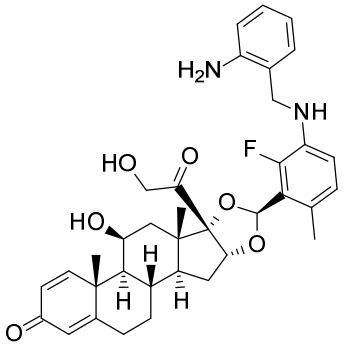
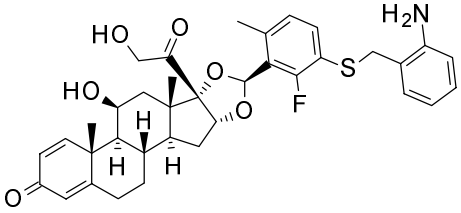
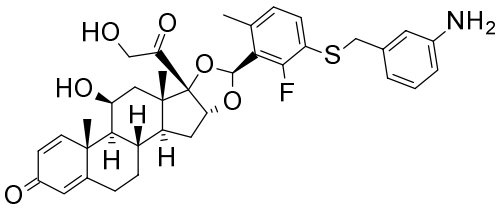
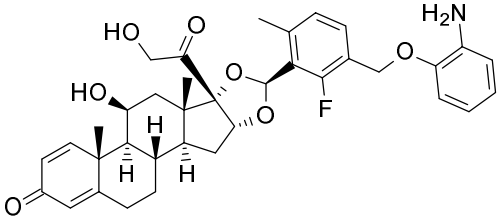
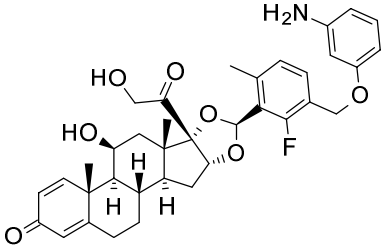
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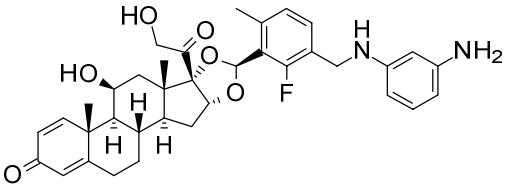
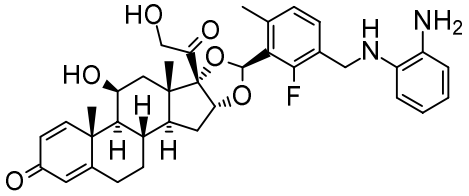
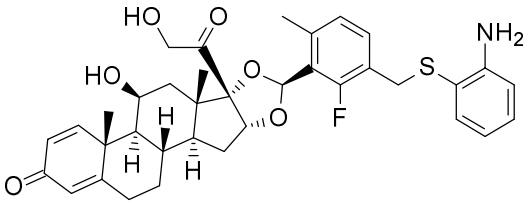
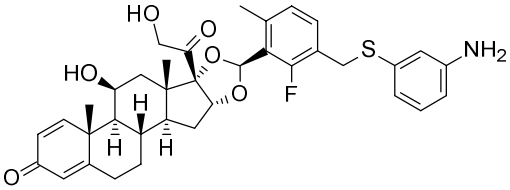
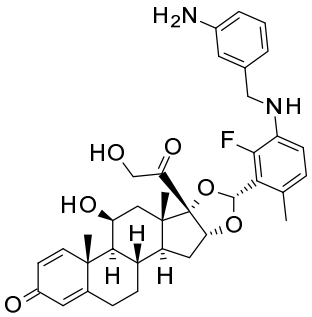
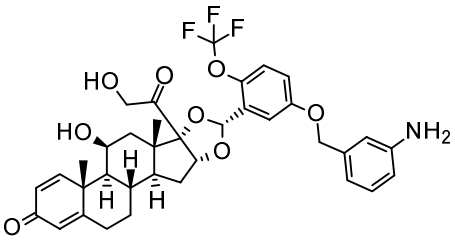
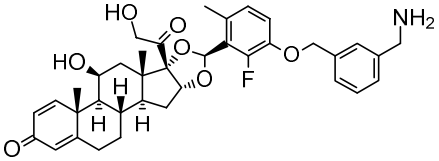
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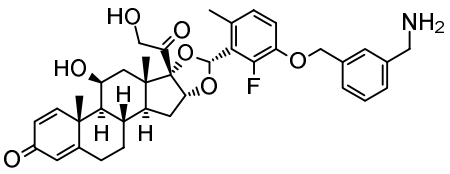
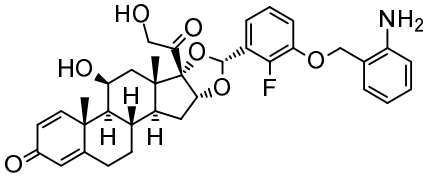
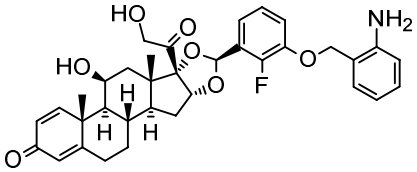
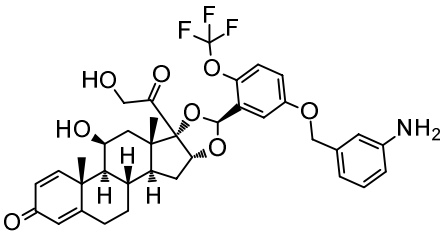
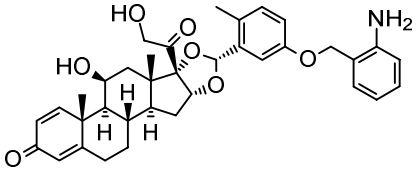
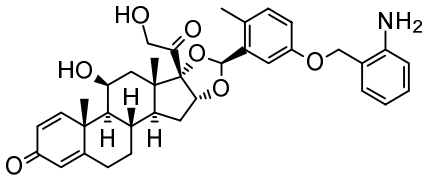
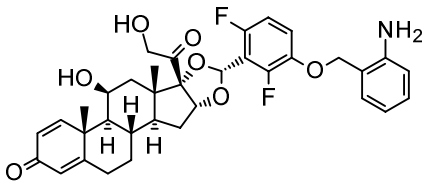
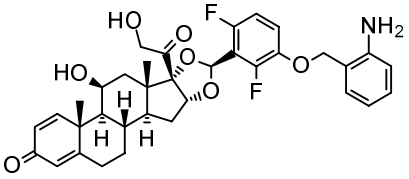
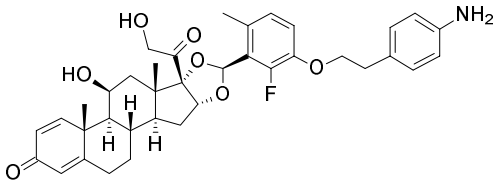
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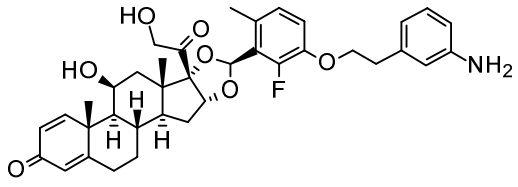
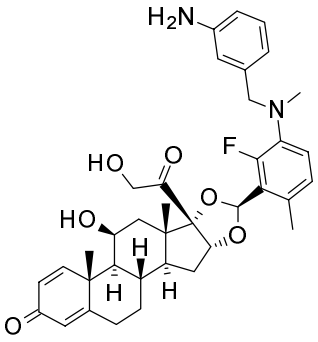
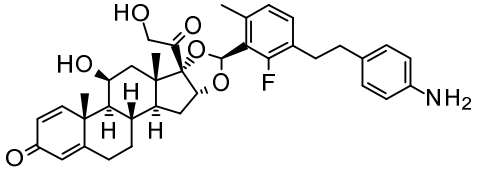
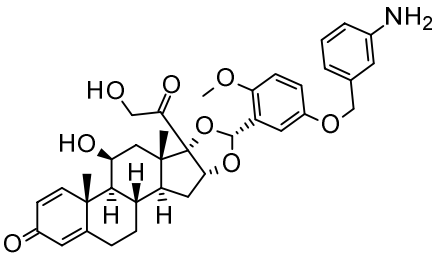
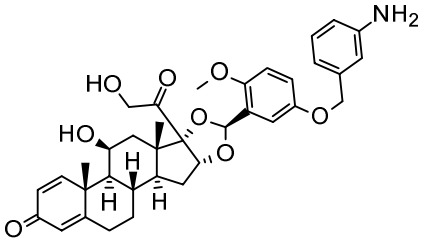
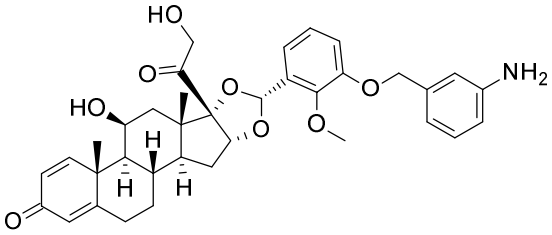
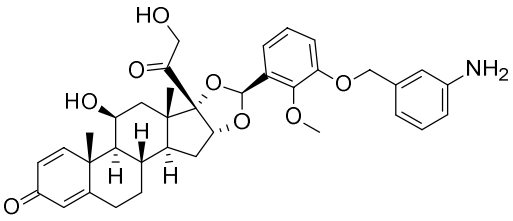
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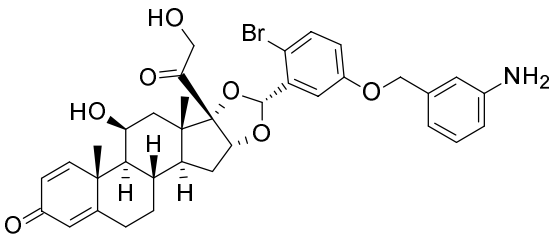
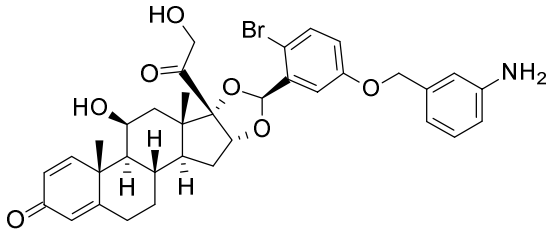
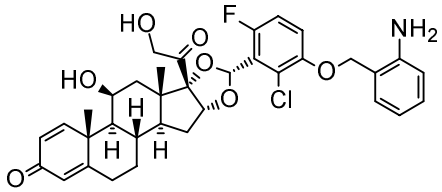
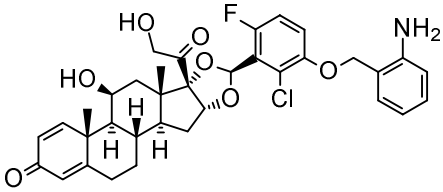
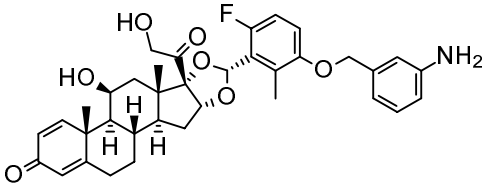
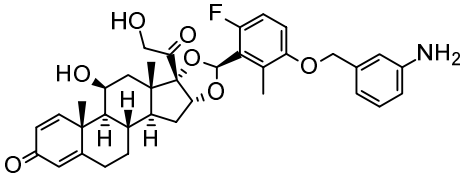
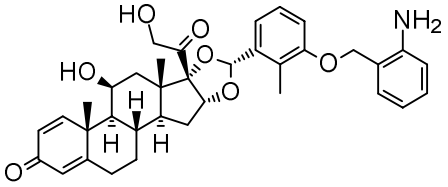
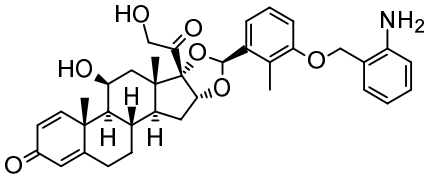
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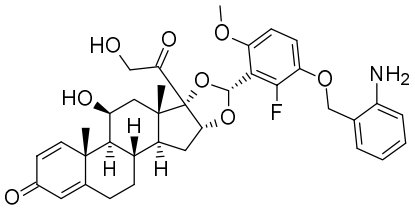
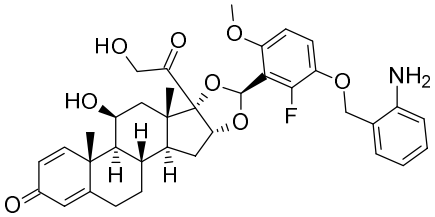
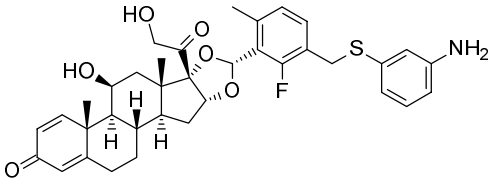
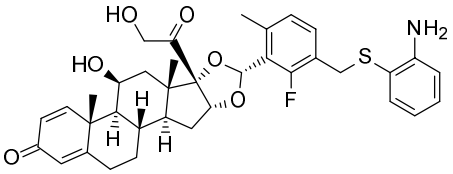
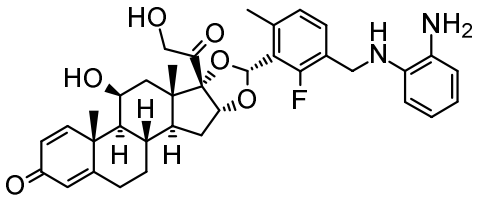
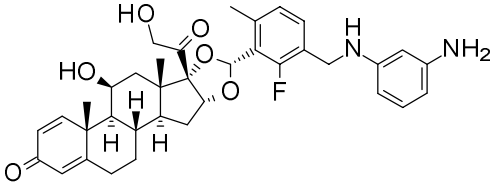
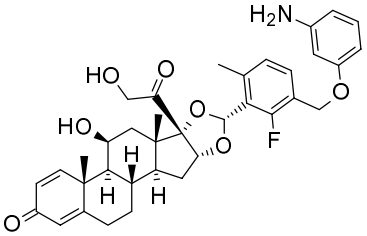
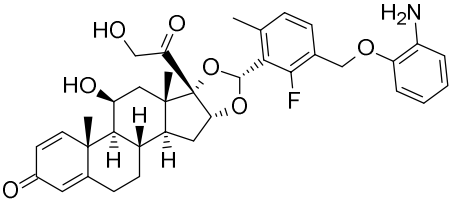
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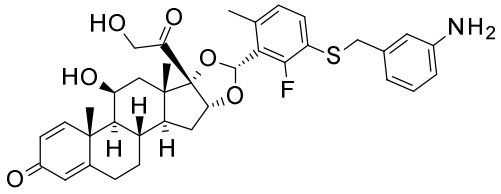
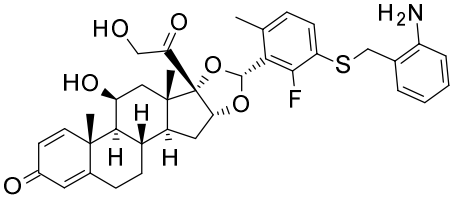
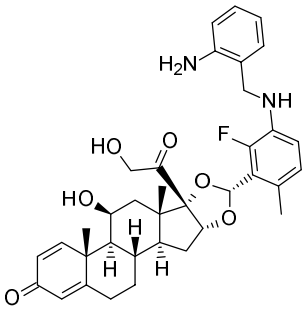
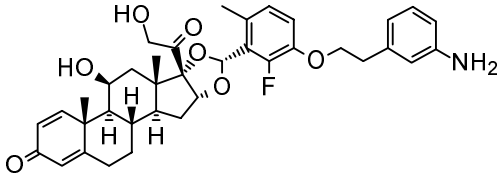
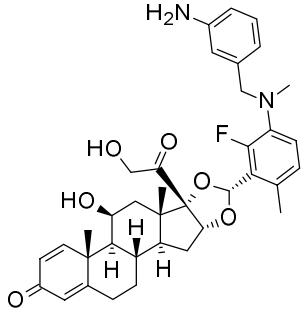
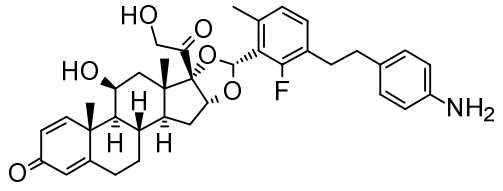
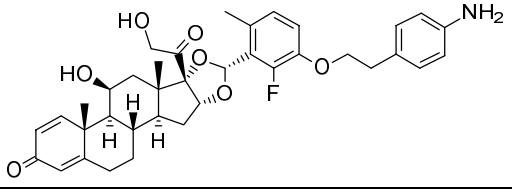
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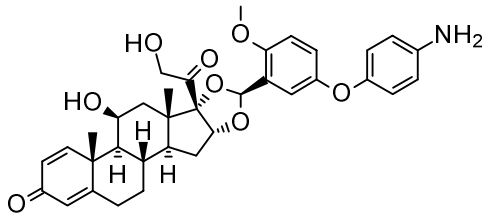
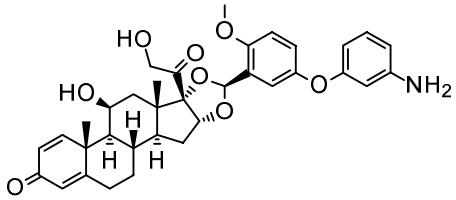
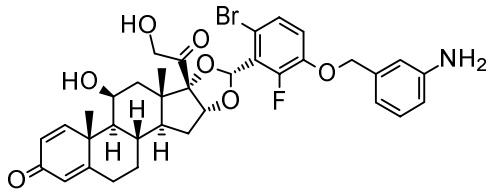
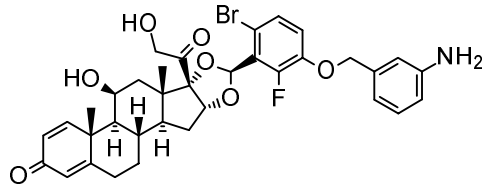
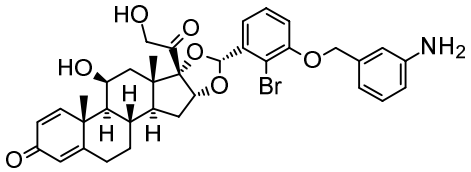
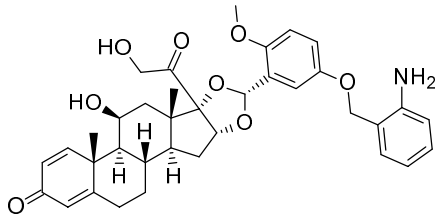
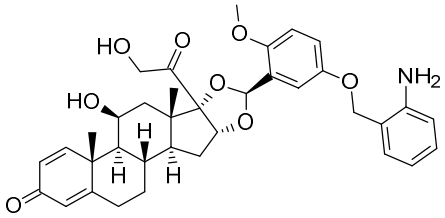
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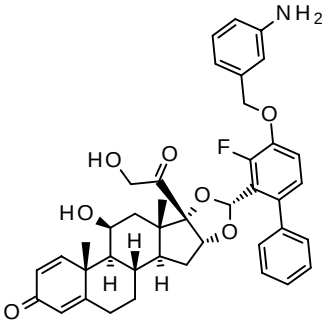
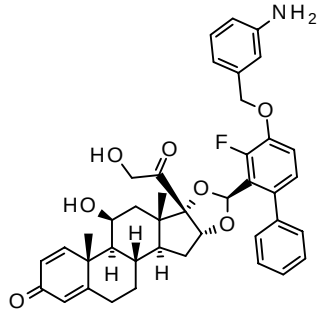
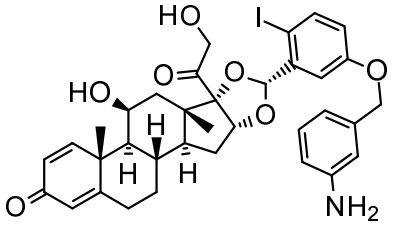
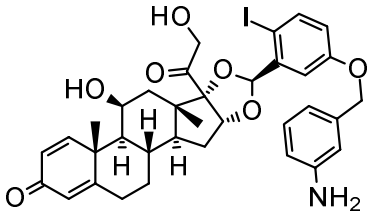
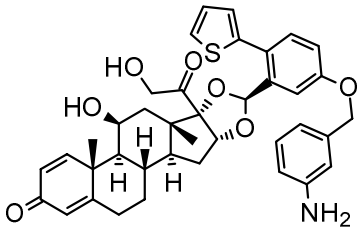
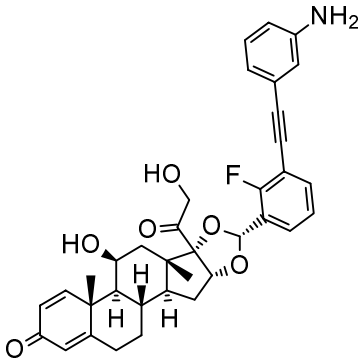
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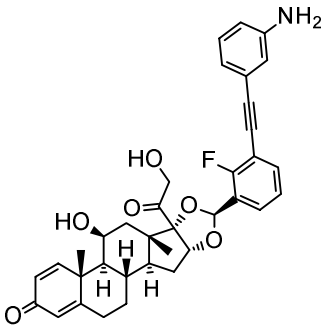
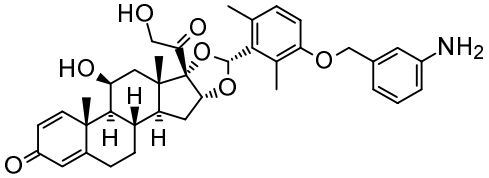
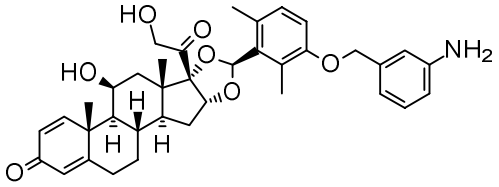
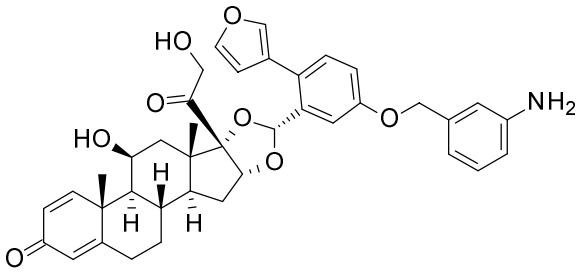
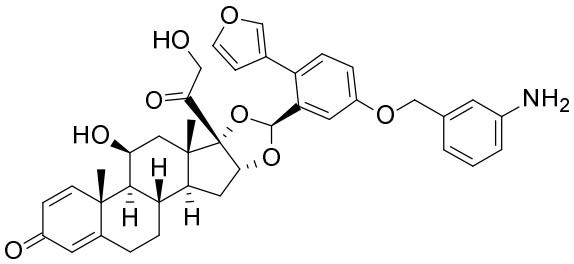
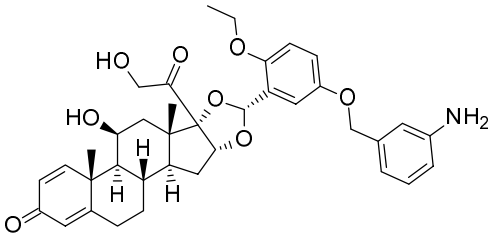
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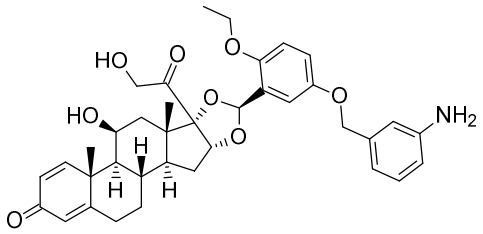
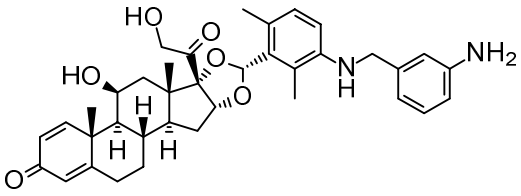
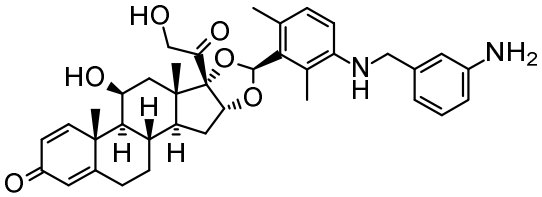
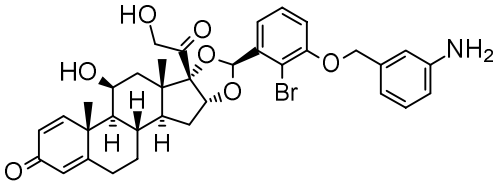
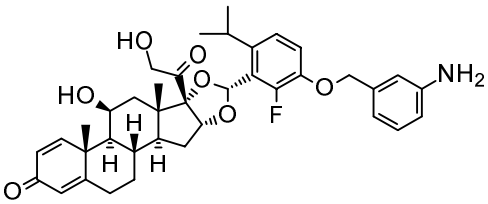
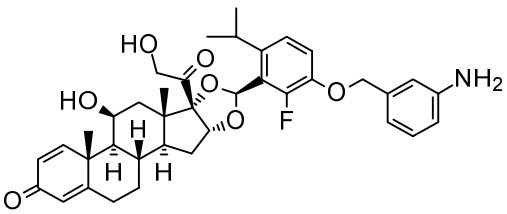
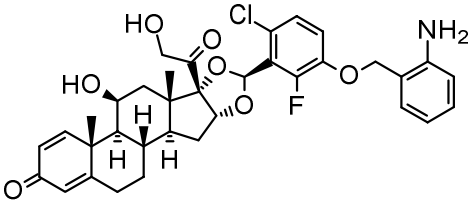
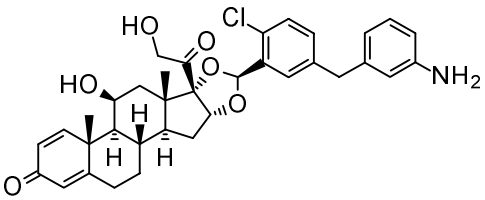
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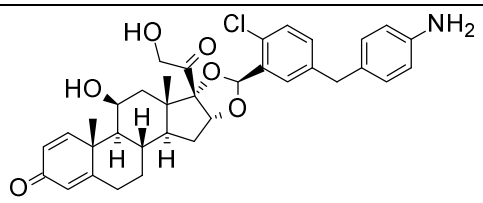
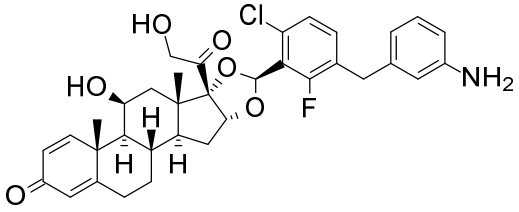
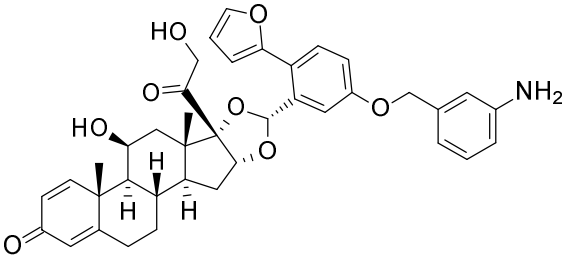
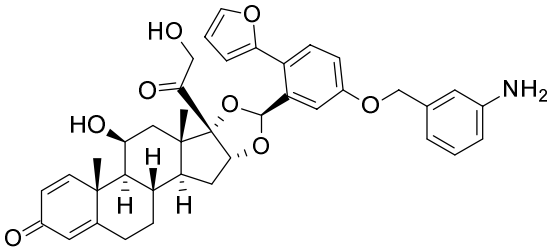
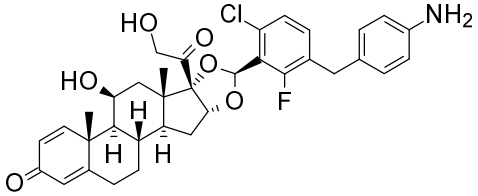
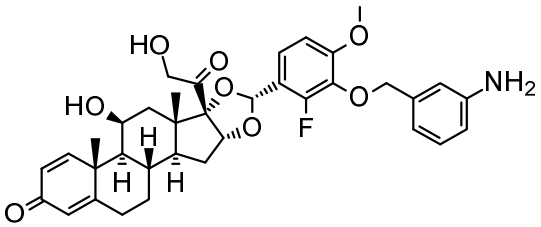
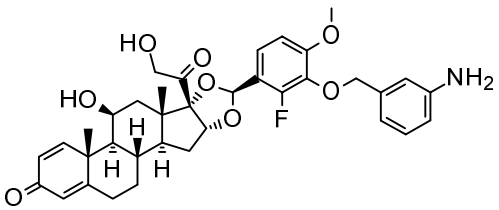
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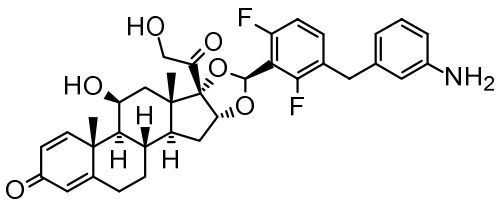
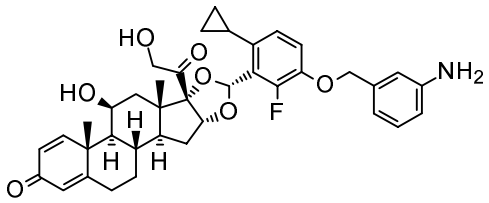
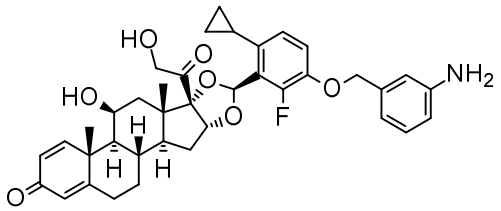
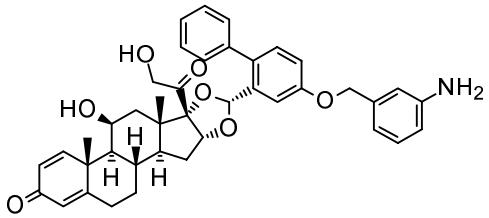
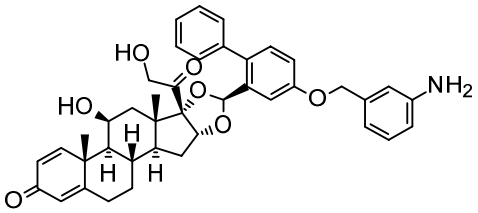
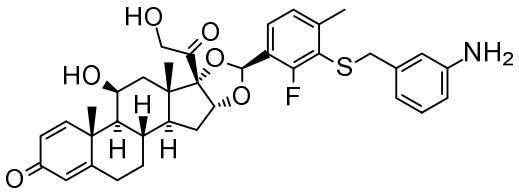
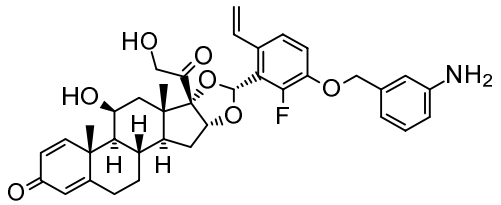
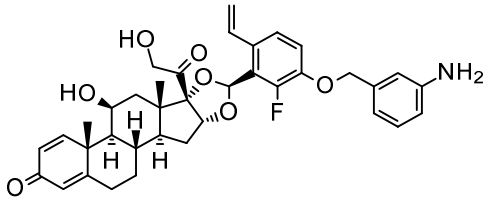
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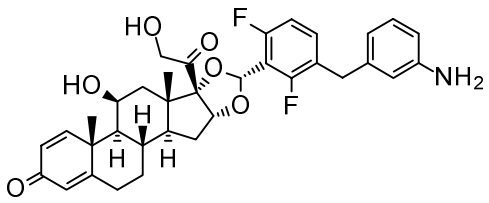
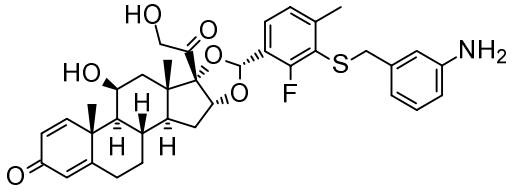
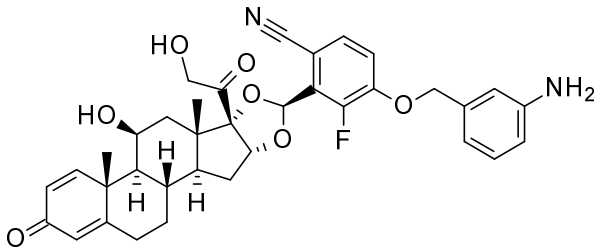
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and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

32. Use of a compound according to any one of claims 1 to 31, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, in the manufacture of a medicament for treating atopic dermatitis in a patient.

33. Use of a compound according to any one of claims 1 to 31, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, in the manufacture of a medicament for treating rheumatoid arthritis in a patient.

34. A compound or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to any one of claims 1 to 31, for use in therapy.

35. A compound or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to any one of claims 1 to 31, for use in treating atopic dermatitis.

36. A compound or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to any one of claims 1 to 31, for use in treating rheumatoid arthritis.

37. A pharmaceutical composition, comprising a compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, according to any one of claims 1 to 31 with one or more pharmaceutically acceptable carriers, diluents, or excipients.

38. A process for preparing a pharmaceutical composition, comprising admixing a compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to any one of

claims 1 to 31 with one or more pharmaceutically acceptable carriers, diluents, or excipients.