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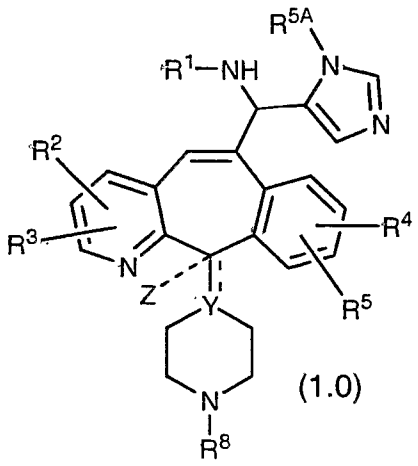
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(I)

(57) Abstract: Disclosed are novel tricyclic compounds of the formula (I) and the pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof. Y is C or CH. When Y is C then Z is not present and the optional bond from Y to the C-11 carbon of the tricyclic nucleus is present. When Y is CH then Z is present and Z is H or -OH. The compounds are useful for inhibiting farnesyl protein transferase. Also disclosed are pharmaceutical compositions comprising the compounds of formula 1.0. Also disclosed are methods of treating cancer using the compounds of formula 1.0.

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