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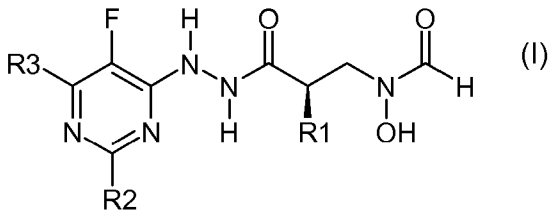
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(57) Abstract: The present invention is directed to certain {2-(alkyl)-3-[2-(5-fluoro-4-pyrimidinyl)hydrazino]-3-oxopropyl}hydroxyformamide derivatives, compositions containing them, the use of such compounds in the inhibition of bacterial peptide deformylase (PDF) activity, and in the treatment of bacterial infections. Specifically, the invention is directed to compounds of formula (I), wherein R1, R2 and R3 are defined herein and to pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof. The compounds of this invention are bacterial peptide deformylase inhibitors and can be useful in the treatment of bacterial infections.

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