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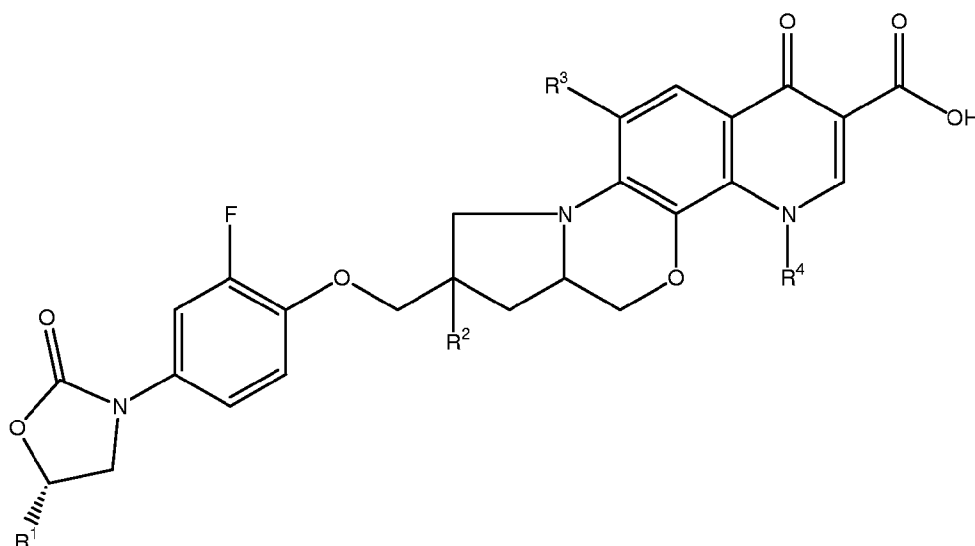
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(57) Abstract: The invention relates to novel chimeric antibiotics of formula (I) Wherein R^1 is CH_2NHCOR^5 , heteroarylmethyl, heteroaryloxymethyl or heteroarylaminomethyl; R^2 is H, OH, OSO_3H , OPO_3H_2 , $OCH_2OPO_3H_2$, $OCOCH_2CH_2COOH$, $OCOR^6$; R^3 is H or halogen; R^4 is (C_1-C_3) alkyl, (C_1-C_3) haloalkyl or cycloalkyl; R^5 is alkyl or haloalkyl; and R^6 is the residue of a naturally occurring amino acid or of dimethylaminoglycine. These chimeric compounds are useful in the manufacture of medicaments for the treatment of infections (e.g. bacterial infections).