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Previous studies have shown that inhibition of cortisol biosynthesis in skin leads to accelerated wound healing. Here, pyridylmethyl pyridine type 11 $\beta$ -hydroxylase (CYP11B1) inhibitors were optimized for topical application to avoid systemic side effects. The resulting very potent, non-toxic CYP11B1 inhibitor 14 (IC<sub>50</sub>; 50; = 0.8 nM) exhibited good selectivity over 11 $\beta$ -HSD1, CYP17A1 and CYP19A1. The compound showed high stability toward human plasma (t<sub>1/2</sub>; > 150 min, as a substitute for wound fluid) and low stability toward HLS9 (t<sub>1/2</sub>; = 19 min) for rapid metabolic clearance after absorption. Compound 14 was able to accelerate wound healing in human skin.

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