ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS

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Pravastatin inhibited the cholesterol synthesis in human hepatoma cell line Hep G2 less than simvastatin and lovastatin, which is reflected in the upregulation of 3-hydroxy-3-methylglutaryl coenzyme A reductase and squalene synthase

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Page 2207: the third paragraph of the Discussion should read as follows:

"The presence of a transporter may possibly be influenced by the growth conditions of the Hep G2 cells, because we observed a different IC_{50} value for pravastatin (18-hr incubation 1900 nM) than was recently published by Nagata et al. [27] (IC_{50} value pravastatin 18-hr incubation >10,000 nM) and by Shaw et al. [22] (IC_{50} value pravastatin 8-hr incubation 2650 nM). The IC_{50} values for the other vastatins were of the same order of magnitude (24–80 nM) in these three independent studies."

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