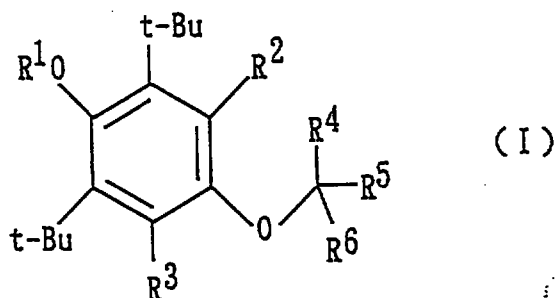


ABSTRACT

Compounds represented by the general formula (I),
as well as intermediates for the synthesis of thereof:



where R^1 is a hydrogen atom or an acyl group; R^2 is a lower alkyl group; R^3 is a hydrogen atom or a lower alkyl group;
 5 R^4 , R^5 and R^6 , which may be the same or different, are a hydrogen atom or an optionally substituted alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl or aryl group; R^2 and R^4 , when taken together, may form a 5-membered ring; R^5 and R^6 , when taken together, may form a cycloalkyl group or a heterocyclic group in which
 10 at least one methylene on the ring of a cycloalkyl group is substituted by an oxygen atom, a sulfur atom or an alkyl-substituted nitrogen atom, provided that R^6 is not present if the ring formed by R^2 and R^4 taken together is a benzofuran ring. The compounds represented by the general formula (I)
 15 have a highly selective anti-oxidative activity and are useful as therapeutics of ischemic diseases such as arteriosclerosis and myocardial infarction.