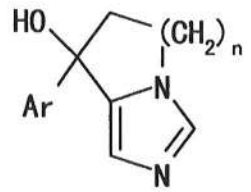
ABSTRACT

PYRROLO [1,2-C] IMIDAZOLE DERIVATIVES FOR USE IN THE PROPHYLAXIS OR TREATMENT OF CANCER WHICH IS REFRACTORY TO KNOWN CANCER THERAPIES

The present invention mainly aims to provide a drug for the prophylaxis or treatment of androgen-independent prostate cancer, which is highly useful as a pharmaceutical agent.

The present invention provides a drug for the prophylaxis or treatment of androgen-independent prostate cancer, containing a steroid $C_{17,20}$ lyase inhibitor, particularly, a compound represented by the formula (I):



(I)

wherein n is an integer of 1 to 3, and Ar is an aromatic ring optionally having substituent(s), or a salt thereof or a prodrug thereof.