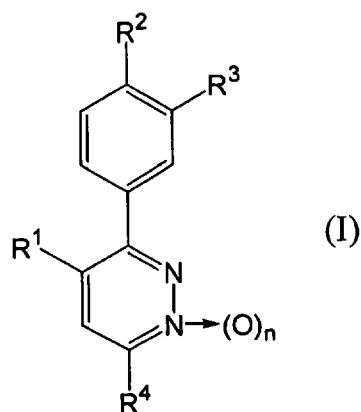


ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Phenylpyridazine compounds represented by the following formula (I):



(wherein R1 represents a substituted or unsubstituted phenyl or a substituted or unsubstituted pyridyl; R2 represents a lower alkoxy group, a lower alkylthio group, a lower alkylsulfinyl group or a lower alkylsulfonyl group; R3 represents a hydrogen atom or a lower alkoxy group; and R4 represents a hydrogen atom or a substituted alkyl group), are provided having excellent inhibitory activity against interleukin-1 β production, and useful in the treatment of prevention of diseases caused by stimulation of interleukin-1 β production, such as immune system diseases, inflammatory diseases, and ischemic diseases.



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