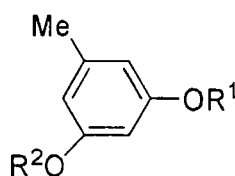


Abstract

[148] The present invention relates to the application of 5-methyl-1,3-benzenediol or its derivatives represented by Formula I; wherein the constituent variables are as defined herein or pharmaceutical compositions thereof containing them in the preparation of medicines or functional foods. The present studies indicate that 5-methyl-1,3-benzenediol or its derivatives represented by Formula I, wherein the constituent variables are as defined herein or pharmaceutical compositions thereof containing them show more significant antidepressant effects than fluoxetine or imipramine.



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