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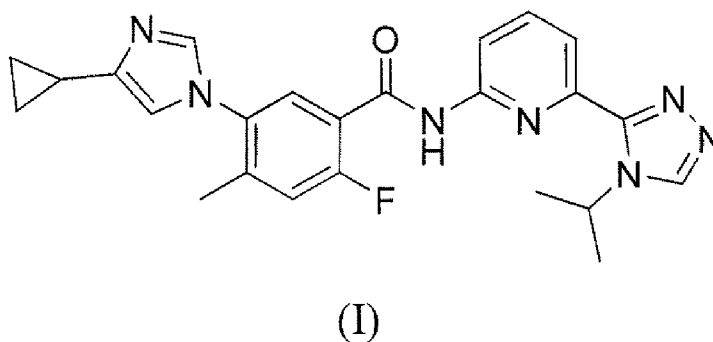
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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a compound of formula (I): The compound has apoptosis signal-regulating kinase ("ASK 1") inhibitory activity, and is thus useful in the treatment of diseases such as kidney disease, diabetic nephropathy and kidney fibrosis.