

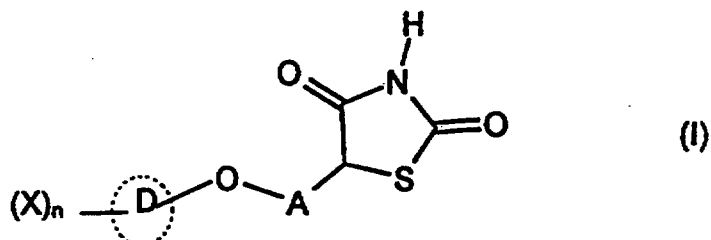
**NEW SUBSTITUTED 2,4-THIAZOLIDINEDIONE
DERIVATIVES, PROCESSES FOR PRODUCING THEM
AND PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING THEM**

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ABSTRACT OF THE TECHNICAL CONTENT OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to the field of chemistry and more particularly to that of therapeutic chemistry.

The subject of the present invention is more precisely new 5-phenoxyalkyl-2,4-thiazolidinediones of general formula I:



in which A represents a linear or branched alkylene group comprising from 2 to 16 carbon atoms

D represents a homo- or heterocarbon mono-, di- or tricyclic aromatic structure which may include one or more heteroatoms

X represents the substituent of the aromatic structure and is as defined in Claim 1

n is an integer ranging from 1 to 3

with the proviso that if A represents a butyl radical,

(X)_n-D does not represent the 4-chlorophenyl group.

The invention also relates to the tautomeric forms, to the enantiomers, diastereoisomers and epimers of the compounds of general formula I, in free or salified form.

The present invention also relates to the processes for producing the compounds of general formula I, their use as antidiabetic agents, and in the treatment of the metabolic syndrome of insulin resistance, as well as the pharmaceutical compositions which contain the compounds of general formula I.