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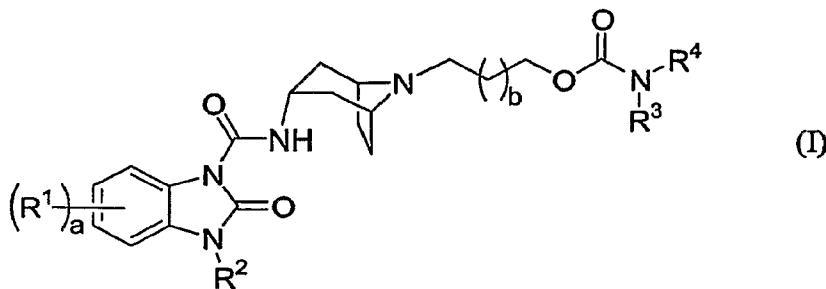
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(57) Abstract: The invention provides novel benzoimidazolone-carboxamide-derived carbamate 5-HT₄ receptor agonist compounds of formula (I): wherein R¹, R², R³, R⁴, a, and b are defined in the disclosure. The invention also provides pharmaceutical compositions comprising such compounds, methods of using such compounds to treat diseases associated with 5 HT₄ receptor activity, and processes and intermediates useful for preparing such compounds.