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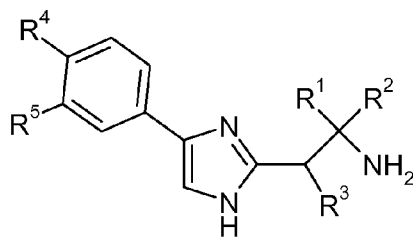
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(57) Abstract: The invention relates to imidazole derivatives, to their use in medicine, to compositions containing them, to processes for their preparation and to intermediates used in such processes. More particularly the invention relates to a new imidazole Na_v1.8 modulators of formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein R¹, R², R³, R⁴ and R⁵ are as defined in the description. Na_v1.8 modulators are potentially useful in the treatment of a wide range of disorders, particularly pain.

