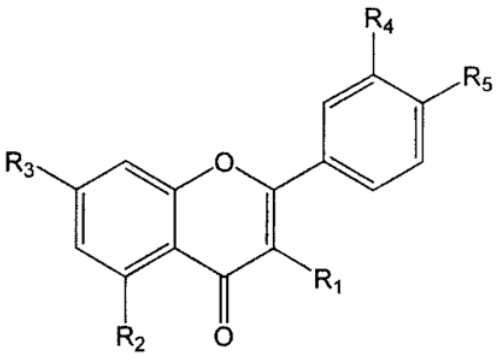
CLAIMS

1. NOX inhibitor comprising at least one methoxyflavone having a structure represented by the following formula (I):

[Formula 1]



(I)

(where R_1 is hydrogen, and R_4 and R_5 are each independently hydrogen or a methoxy group, and R_2 and R_3 are each a methoxy group),

wherein a ratio of the total content of methoxyflavones of group A to the total contents of said methoxyflavones of group A and methoxyflavones of group B, which is expressed as A/(A+B), exceeds 0.65 on a molar basis,

wherein said methoxyflavones of group A are selected from the group consisting of 5,7,3',4'-tetramethoxyflavone, 3,5,7,3',4'-pentamethoxyflavone, 5,7-dimethoxyflavone, and 5,7,4'-trimethoxyflavone, and

wherein said methoxyflavones of group B are selected from the group consisting of 3,5,7-trimethoxyflavone, 3,5,7,4'-tetramethoxyflavone, 5-hydroxy-3,7,3',4'-tetramethoxyflavone, 5-hydroxy-7-methoxyflavone, 5-hydroxy-7,4'-dimethoxyflavone, 5-hydroxy-3,7-dimethoxyflavone, and 5-hydroxy-3,7,4'-trimethoxyflavone.

2. NOX inhibitor comprising 3',4'-dimethoxyflavone.