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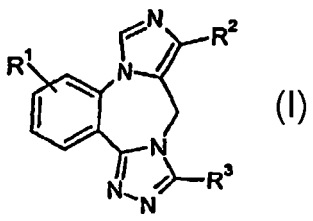
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(54) Title: BENZODIAZEPINE DERIVATIVES AS GABA A RECEPTOR MODULATORS

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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to compounds of formula (I), wherein R^1 is hydrogen, halogen, lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, hydroxy, cyano, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy or lower alkylthio; R^2 is -C(O)O-lower alkyl, isoxazol, 1,2,4-oxadiazol-3-yl or 1,2,4-oxadiazol-5-yl, which rings may be substituted by lower alkyl, trifluoromethyl or cycloalkyl; R^3 is hydrogen, lower alkyl, $-(CH_2)_n$-cycloalkyl, $-(CH_2)_n$-halogen, $-(CH_2)_n$-pyridin-4-yl, or $-(CH_2)_n$-phenyl, wherein the phenyl ring may be substituted by one or two substituents selected from the group consisting of lower alkoxy, halogen, $-SO_2CH_3$, phenyl, OCF_3, nitro, CF_3, $-NR_2$, or is $-(CH_2)_n$-indolyl, optionally substituted by lower alkyl or lower alkoxy, or is pyrrolidinyl-5-oxo, -C(O)-NR_2, $-(CH_2)_n$-OH, $-(CH_2)_n$-NR_2 or $-(CH_2)_n$-benzo[1,3]dioxole; R is hydrogen or lower alkyl; and n is 0, 1, 2 or 3; and to their pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salts. These compounds have a good affinity to the GABA A α5 receptor and they are therefore useful for the treatment of diseases, related to this receptor.