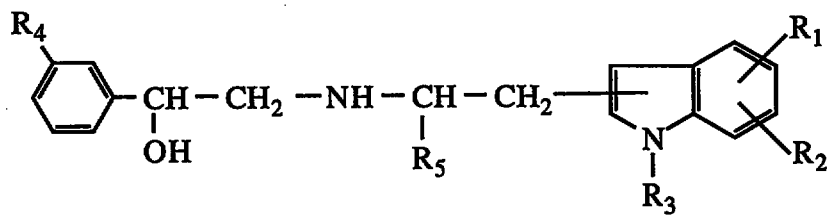
# ABSTRACT

An indole derivative of the formula:



wherein $R_1$ is lower alkoxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl-lower alkoxy, carboxy-lower alkoxy , lower alkoxycarbonyl, phenyl-lower alkoxy, lower alkyl being optionally substituted by hydroxy, di-lower alkylaminosulfonyl, etc., $R_2$ is hydrogen, halogen, lower alkoxy, lower alkoxycarbonyl-lower alkoxy, carboxy-lower alkoxy, etc., $R_3$ is hydrogen or lower alkyl, $R_4$ is halogen or trifluoromethyl, $R_5$ is lower alkyl, or a salt thereof, these compounds being potent $\beta_3$-adrenergic receptor-stimulating agent with excellent adrenoceptor selectivity, and being useful in the prophylaxis or treatment of obesity or diabetes mellitus.