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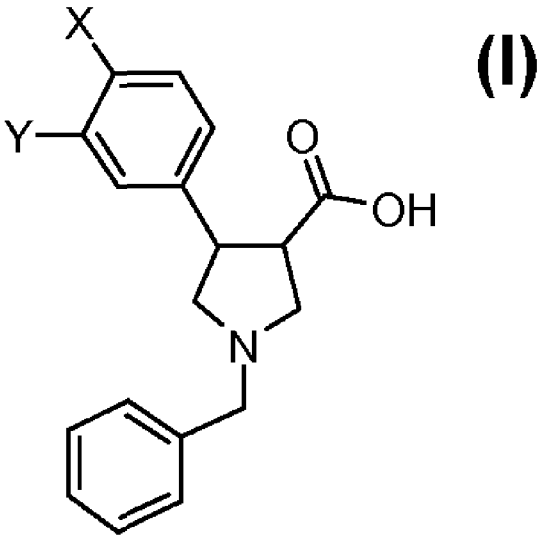
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(54) **Title**: PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF PYROLLIDINE-3-CARBOXYLIC ACIDS



(I)

(57) **Abstract**: The invention relates to a novel process for the preparation of (3S,4S)- or (3R,4R)-1- benzyl-4-(halogen-aryl)-pyrrolidine-3-carboxylic acid derivatives of formula (I) or salts thereof, wherein X and Y independently of each other are hydrogen or a halogen atom, with the proviso that at least one of X or Y is a halogen atom. The compounds of formula (I) may be used as starting materials or intermediates for the preparation of pharmaceutically active compounds, especially for compounds, which may be used for the treatment of central nervous system disorders.

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