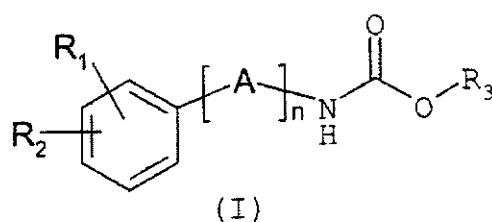


Aryl alkyl carbamate derivatives production and use thereof in therapy

The invention relates to arylalkylcarbamate derivatives, to their preparation and to their application in therapy.

The compounds of the invention are of the general formula (I):



in which

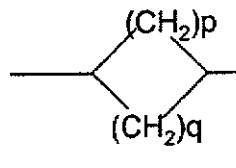
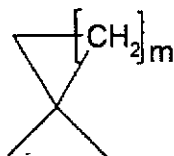
n represents an integer ranging from 1 to 7;

A is selected from one or more groups X, Y and/or Z;

X represents a C₁₋₂-alkylene group optionally substituted by one or more C₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl or C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene groups;

Y represents either a C₂-alkenylene group optionally substituted by one or more C₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl or C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene groups; or a C₂-alkynylene group;

Z represents a C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl group of formula:



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m represents an integer ranging from 1 to 5;

p and q represent integers and are defined such that
 p+q is a number ranging from 1 to 5;

R₁ represents a hydrogen or halogen atom or a hydroxy,
 cyano, nitro, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, C₁₋₄-thioalkyl,
 5 C₁₋₄-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkoxy or C₁₋₄-fluorothio-
 alkyl group;

R₂ represents
 a hydrogen or halogen atom or
 a cyano, nitro, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy,
 10 C₁₋₄-thioalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkoxy,
 C₁₋₄-fluorothioalkyl group, or
 a group selected from in particular a phenyl, naphthyl,
 biphenyl, phenylethylenyl, naphthylethylenyl,
 pyridinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl, pyridazinyl,
 15 triazinyl, indanyl, indenyl, quinolinyl, isoquinolinyl,
 quinazolinyl, quinoxalinyl, phthalazinyl, cinnolinyl,
 thienyl, furanyl, pyrrolyl, imidazolyl, pyrazolyl,
 oxazolyl, thiazolyl, isoxazolyl, isothiazolyl,
 thiadiazolyl, oxadiazolyl, triazolyl, phenylimidazolyl,
 20 benzothienyl, benzofuranyl, dibenzofuranyl,
 benzimidazolyl, benzotriazolyl, indolyl, isoindolyl,
 indazolyl, benzoxazolyl, benzisoxazolyl,
 benzothiazolyl, benzisothiazolyl, dihydroindolyl,
 pyrrolopyridinyl, furopyridinyl, thienopyridinyl,
 25 imidazopyridinyl, oxazolopyridinyl, thiazolopyridinyl,
 pyrazolopyridinyl, isoxazolopyridinyl,
 isothiazolopyridinyl, tetrahydroquinolinyl,
 tetrahydroisoquinolinyl, phenyloxy, phenylthio,

phenylsulphonyl, benzoyl, benzyloxy, phenylethoxy,
 phenylpropoxy, naphthyloxy, naphthylmethoxy,
 naphthylethoxy, naphthylpropoxy, quinolinoxy and
 isoquinolinoxy and optionally substituted by one or
 5 more substituents selected from a halogen atom or a
 cyano, nitro, C₁₋₄-alkyl, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkoxy,
 C₁₋₄-thioalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkoxy,
 C₁₋₃-fluorothioalkyl, phenoxy, benzyloxy, piperidinyl,
 pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl, NR₆R₇, NHCOR₆, COR₆, CO₂R₆,
 10 SO₂R₆, -O-(C₁₋₃-alkylene)-O- or 4-piperazinyl group
 optionally substituted by a C₁₋₃-alkyl or by a benzyl;
 R₆ and R₇ represent independently of one another a
 C₁₋₃-alkyl group or a phenyl; and
 R₃ represents a group of general formula CHR₄CONHR₅ in
 15 which
 R₄ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁₋₃-alkyl group and
 R₅ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁₋₃-alkyl,
 C₃₋₅-cycloalkyl or C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene group.

In the entire text of the patent application,
 20 the following compound does not form part of the
 invention:

2-amino-2-oxoethyl benzylcarbamate.

In the context of the invention the compounds
 of general formula (I) may therefore contain two or
 25 more identical or different groups A.

Among the compounds of general formula (I) a
 first class of preferred compounds is composed of
 compounds for which:

n represents an integer ranging from 1 to 7;

A is selected from one or more groups X, Y and/or Z;

X represents a C₁₋₂-alkylene group optionally

substituted by one or more C₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl or

5 C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene groups;

Y represents either a C₂-alkenylene group optionally

substituted by one or more C₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl or

C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene groups; or a C₂-alkynylene group;

10 Z represents a C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl group of formula:



m represents an integer ranging from 1 to 5;

p and q represent integers and are defined such that

p+q is a number ranging from 1 to 5;

15 R₁ represents a hydrogen or halogen atom or a hydroxy, cyano, nitro, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, C₁₋₄-thioalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkoxy or C₁₋₄-fluorothioalkyl group;

R₂ represents

20 a hydrogen or halogen atom or

a cyano, nitro, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy,

C₁₋₄-thioalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkoxy,

C₁₋₄-fluorothioalkyl group, or

a group selected from in particular a phenyl, naphthyl,

25 biphenyl, phenylethylenyl, naphthylethylenyl,

- pyridinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl, pyridazinyl,
 triazinyl, indanyl, indenyl, quinolinyl, isoquinolinyl,
 quinazolinyl, quinoxalinyl, phthalazinyl, cinnolinyl,
 thienyl, furanyl, pyrrolyl, imidazolyl, pyrazolyl,
 5 oxazolyl, thiazolyl, isoxazolyl, isothiazolyl,
 thiadiazolyl, oxadiazolyl, triazolyl, phenylimidazolyl,
 benzothienyl, benzofuranyl, dibenzofuranyl,
 benzimidazolyl, benzotriazolyl, indolyl, isoindolyl,
 indazolyl, benzoxazolyl, benzisoxazolyl,
 10 benzothiazolyl, benzisothiazolyl, dihydroindolyl,
 pyrrolopyridinyl, furopyridinyl, thienopyridinyl,
 imidazopyridinyl, oxazolopyridinyl, thiazolopyridinyl,
 pyrazolopyridinyl, isoxazolopyridinyl,
 isothiazolopyridinyl, tetrahydroquinolinyl,
 15 tetrahydroisoquinolinyl, phenyloxy, phenylthio,
 phenylsulphonyl, benzoyl, benzyloxy, phenylethoxy,
 phenylpropoxy, naphthyloxy, naphthylmethoxy,
 naphthylethoxy, naphthylpropoxy, quinolinoxy and
 isoquinolinoxy and optionally substituted by one or
 20 more substituents selected from a halogen atom and a
 cyano, nitro, C₁₋₄-alkyl, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkoxy,
 C₁₋₄-thioalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkoxy,
 C₁₋₃-fluorothioalkyl, phenyloxy, benzyloxy, piperidinyl,
 pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl, NR₆R₇, NHCOR₆, COR₆, CO₂R₆,
 25 SO₂R₆, -O-(C₁₋₃-alkylene)-O- or 4-piperazinyl group
 optionally substituted by a C₁₋₃-alkyl or by a benzyl;
 R₆ and R₇ represent independently of one another a
 C₁₋₃-alkyl group or a phenyl; and

R_3 represents a group of general formula CHR_4CONHR_5 in which

R_4 represents a hydrogen atom or a C_{1-3} -alkyl group and

R_5 represents a hydrogen atom or a C_{1-3} -alkyl,

- 5 C_{3-5} -cycloalkyl or C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl- C_{1-6} -alkylene group; with the proviso that if R_1 and R_2 represent a hydrogen atom and A is a group X, X being a methylene, then n is other than 1.

Among the compounds of general formula (I) a
10 second class of preferred compounds is composed of compounds for which:

- when n is 1:

A is selected from one or more groups X, Y and/or Z;

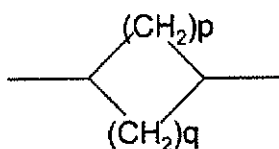
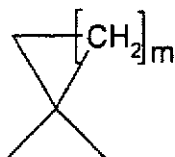
X represents a C_{1-2} -alkylene group optionally

- 15 substituted by one or more C_{1-12} -alkyl, C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl or C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl- C_{1-6} -alkylene groups;

Y represents either a C_2 -alkenylene group optionally substituted by one or more C_{1-12} -alkyl, C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl or C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl- C_{1-6} -alkylene groups or a C_2 -alkynylene

20 group;

Z represents a C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl group of formula:



;

m represents an integer ranging from 1 to 5;

p and q represent integers and are defined such that

- 25 $p+q$ is a number ranging from 1 to 5;

R_1 represents a hydrogen or halogen atom or a hydroxy, cyano, nitro, C_{1-4} -alkyl, C_{1-4} -alkoxy, C_{1-4} -thioalkyl, C_{1-4} -fluoroalkyl, C_{1-4} -fluoroalkoxy or C_{1-4} -fluorothioalkyl group;

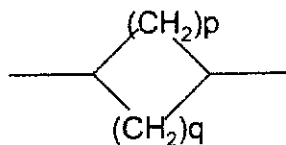
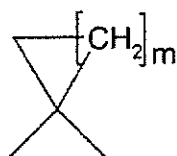
5 R_2 represents

a halogen atom or

a cyano, nitro, hydroxy, C_{1-4} -alkyl, C_{1-4} -alkoxy, C_{1-4} -thioalkyl, C_{1-4} -fluoroalkyl, C_{1-4} -fluoroalkoxy, C_{1-4} -fluorothioalkyl group, or

- 10 a group selected from in particular a phenyl, naphthyl, biphenyl, phenylethylenyl, naphthylethylenyl, pyridinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl, pyridazinyl, triazinyl, indanyl, indenyl, quinolinyl, isoquinolinyl, quinazolinyl, quinoxalinyl, phthalazinyl, cinnolinyl,
- 15 thienyl, furanyl, pyrrolyl, imidazolyl, pyrazolyl, oxazolyl, thiazolyl, isoxazolyl, isothiazolyl, thiadiazolyl, oxadiazolyl, triazolyl, phenylimidazolyl, benzothienyl, benzofuranyl, dibenzofuranyl, benzimidazolyl, benzotriazolyl, indolyl, isoindolyl,
- 20 indazolyl, benzoxazolyl, benzisoxazolyl, benzothiazolyl, benzisothiazolyl, dihydroindolyl, pyrrolopyridinyl, furopyridinyl, thienopyridinyl, imidazopyridinyl, oxazolopyridinyl, thiazolopyridinyl, pyrazolopyridinyl, isoxazolopyridinyl,
- 25 isothiazolopyridinyl, tetrahydroquinolinyl, tetrahydroisoquinolinyl, phenyloxy, phenylthio, phenylsulphonyl, benzoyl, benzyloxy, phenylethoxy, phenylpropoxy, naphthyloxy, naphthylmethoxy,

- naphthylethoxy, naphthylpropoxy, quinolinoxy and isoquinolinoxy and optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from a halogen atom and a cyano, nitro, C₁₋₄-alkyl, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkoxy,
- 5 C₁₋₄-thioalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkoxy, C₁₋₃-fluorothioalkyl, phenyloxy, benzyloxy, piperidinyl, pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl, NR₆R₇, NHCOR₆, COR₆, CO₂R₆, SO₂R₆, -O-(C₁₋₃-alkylene)-O- or 4-piperazinyl group optionally substituted by a C₁₋₃-alkyl or by a benzyl;
- 10 R₆ and R₇ represent independently of one another a C₁₋₃-alkyl group or a phenyl; and
- R₃ represents a group of general formula CHR₄CONHR₅ in which
- R₄ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁₋₃-alkyl group and
- 15 R₅ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁₋₃-alkyl, C₃₋₅-cycloalkyl or C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene group;
- when n represents an integer ranging from 2 to 7:
- A is selected from one or more groups X, Y and/or Z;
- X represents a C₁₋₂-alkylene group optionally
- 20 substituted by one or more C₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl or C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene groups;
- Y represents either a C₂-alkenylene group optionally substituted by one or more C₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl or C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene groups; or a C₂-alkynylene
- 25 group;
- Z represents a C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl group of formula:



m represents an integer ranging from 1 to 5;

p and q represent integers and are defined such that

p+q is a number ranging from 1 to 5;

- 5 R_1 represents a hydrogen or halogen atom or a hydroxy, cyano, nitro, C_{1-4} -alkyl, C_{1-4} -alkoxy, C_{1-4} -thioalkyl, C_{1-4} -fluoroalkyl, C_{1-4} -fluoroalkoxy or C_{1-4} -fluorothioalkyl group;

R_2 represents

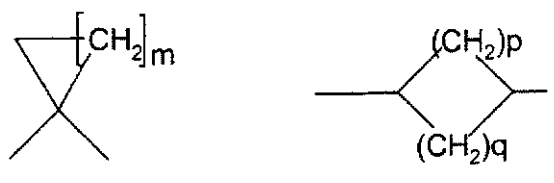
- 10 a hydrogen or halogen atom or
a cyano, nitro, hydroxy, C_{1-4} -alkyl, C_{1-4} -alkoxy,
 C_{1-4} -thioalkyl, C_{1-4} -fluoroalkyl, C_{1-4} -fluoroalkoxy,
 C_{1-4} -fluorothioalkyl group, or
a group selected from in particular a phenyl, naphthyl,
15 biphenyl, phenylethylenyl, naphthylethylenyl,
pyridinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl, pyridazinyl,
triazinyl, indanyl, indenyl, quinolinyl, isoquinolinyl,
quinazolinyl, quinoxalinyl, phthalazinyl, cinnolinyl,
thienyl, furanyl, pyrrolyl, imidazolyl, pyrazolyl,
20 oxazolyl, thiazolyl, isoxazolyl, isothiazolyl,
thiadiazolyl, oxadiazolyl, triazolyl, phenylimidazolyl,
benzothienyl, benzofuranyl, dibenzofuranyl,
benzimidazolyl, benzotriazolyl, indolyl, isoindolyl,
indazolyl, benzoxazolyl, benzisoxazolyl,
25 benzothiazolyl, benzisothiazolyl, dihydroindolyl,

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 imidazopyridinyl, oxazolopyridinyl, thiazolopyridinyl,
 pyrazolopyridinyl, isoxazolopyridinyl,
 isothiazolopyridinyl, tetrahydroquinolinyl,
 5 tetrahydroisoquinolinyl, phenyloxy, phenylthio,
 phenylsulphonyl, benzoyl, benzyloxy, phenylethoxy,
 phenylpropoxy, naphthyloxy, naphthylmethoxy,
 naphthylethoxy, naphthylpropoxy, quinolinoxy and
 isoquinolinoxy and optionally substituted by one or
 10 more substituents selected from a halogen atom and a
 cyano, nitro, C₁₋₄-alkyl, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkoxy,
 C₁₋₄-thioalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkoxy,
 C₁₋₃-fluorothioalkyl, phenyloxy, benzyloxy, piperidinyl,
 pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl, NR₆R₇, NHCOR₆, COR₆, CO₂R₆,
 15 SO₂R₆, -O-(C₁₋₃-alkylene)-O- or 4-piperazinyl group
 optionally substituted by a C₁₋₃-alkyl or by a benzyl;
 R₆ and R₇ represent independently of one another a
 C₁₋₃-alkyl group or a phenyl; and
 R₃ represents a group of general formula CHR₄CONHR₅ in
 20 which
 R₄ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁₋₃-alkyl group and
 R₅ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁₋₃-alkyl,
 C₃₋₅-cycloalkyl or C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene group.

Among the compounds of general formula (I) a
 25 third class of particularly preferred compounds is
 composed of the compounds for which:
 n represents an integer between 1 and 5; and/or
 A is selected from one or more groups X and/or Z;

X represents a C_{1-2} -alkylene group, more particularly methylene, optionally substituted by one or more C_{1-3} -alkyl groups, more particularly methyl;

Z represents a C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl group of formula:



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m represents an integer ranging from 1 to 5, more particularly 1;

p and q represent integers and are defined such that $p+q$ is a number ranging from 1 to 5, more

10 particularly 4; and/or

R_1 represents a hydrogen or a halogen, more particularly chlorine or fluorine, or a C_{1-4} -alkoxy group, more particularly a methoxy; and/or

R_2 represents a hydrogen or halogen atom, more
 15 particularly chlorine, bromine or fluorine, or a hydroxyl group, C_{1-4} -alkyl group, more particularly methyl, C_{1-4} -alkoxy group, more particularly methoxy, C_{1-4} -fluoroalkyl group, more particularly trifluoromethyl, or C_{1-4} -fluoroalkoxy group, more
 20 particularly trifluoromethoxy, or a group selected from phenyl, naphthyl, biphenyl, phenylethylenyl, pyridinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl, quinolinyl, isoquinolinyl, thienyl, furanyl, isoxazolyl, thiadiazolyl, phenylimidazolyl, benzothienyl,
 25 dibenzofuranyl, benzimidazolyl, pyrrolopyridinyl,

phenyloxy, phenylsulphonyl, benzoyl, benzyloxy or phenylpropoxy, optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from a halogen atom, more particularly chlorine or fluorine, or a cyano, nitro or

5 C₁₋₄-alkyl group, more particularly methyl, ethyl, isopropyl, butyl or tert-butyl, C₁₋₆-alkoxy group, more particularly methoxy or ethoxy, C₁₋₄-thioalkyl group, more particularly thiomethyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkyl group, more particularly trifluoromethyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkoxy

10 group, more particularly trifluoromethoxy, phenyloxy, or benzyloxy, NR₆R₇, NHCOR₆, COR₆, CO₂R₆, SO₂R₆ or -O-(C₁₋₃-alkylene)-O-, more particularly -O-(CH₂)-O-; and/or

R₆ and R₇ represent independently of one another a

15 C₁₋₃-alkyl group, more particularly a methyl; and/or

R₃ represents a group of general formula CHR₄CONHR₅ in which

R₄ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁₋₃-alkyl group and

20 R₅ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁₋₃-alkyl group, more particularly methyl, ethyl, C₃₋₅-cycloalkyl, more particularly cyclopropyl, or C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene, more particularly cyclopropylmethyl.

Among the compounds of this third class of

25 particularly preferred compounds more particular preference is given to the compounds for which:

n represents an integer from 1 to 5; and/or

A represents a C₁₋₂-alkylene group, more particularly methylene; and/or

R₁ represents a hydrogen or a halogen, more particularly chlorine or fluorine; and/or

- 5 R₂ represents a group selected from phenyl, naphthyl, phenyloxy, benzyloxy, pyridinyl, quinolinyl, isoquinolinyl, phenylimidazole or pyrrolopyridinyl, optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from a halogen atom, more particularly
- 10 chlorine or fluorine, a cyano group, a C₁₋₄-alkyl group, more particularly methyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy group, more particularly methoxy, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkyl group, more particularly trifluoromethyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkoxy group, more particularly trifluoromethoxy; and/or
- 15 R₃ represents a group of general formula CHR₄CONHR₅ in which
- R₄ represents a hydrogen and R₅ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁₋₃-alkyl group, more particularly methyl or ethyl, C₃₋₅-cycloalkyl group, more particularly
- 20 cyclopropyl, or C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene group, more particularly cyclopropylmethyl.

Among the compounds of general formula (I) a fourth class of particularly preferred compounds is composed of compounds for which:

- 25 n represents an integer from 5 to 7; and/or

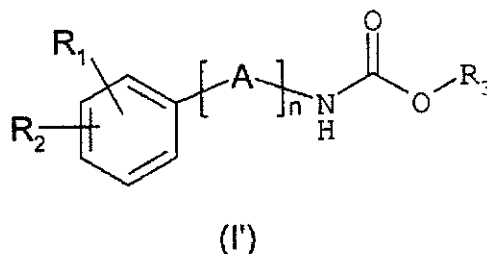
A represents a C₁₋₂-alkylene group, more particularly methylene; and/or

R_1 and R_2 represent independently of one another a hydrogen or halogen atom or a cyano, hydroxyl, C_{1-4} -alkyl, C_{1-4} -alkoxy, C_{1-4} -fluoroalkyl or C_{1-4} -fluoroalkoxy group; and/or

5 R_3 represents a group of general formula CHR_4CONHR_5 in which

R_4 represents a hydrogen and R_5 represents a hydrogen atom or C_{1-3} -alkyl group, more particularly methyl or ethyl, C_{3-5} -cycloalkyl group, more particularly
 10 cyclopropyl, or C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl- C_{1-6} -alkylene group, more particularly cyclopropylmethyl.

The invention also relates, among the compounds of general formula (I), to compounds of the general formula (I'):



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in which

n represents an integer between 1 and 6;

A is selected from one or more groups X , Y and/or Z ;

X represents a C_{1-2} -alkylene group optionally

20 substituted by one or more C_{1-12} -alkyl, C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl or C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl- C_{1-6} -alkylene groups;

Y represents a C_2 -alkenylene group optionally

substituted by one or more C_{1-12} -alkyl, C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl or C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl- C_{1-6} -alkylene groups;

Z represents a C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl group of formula:



m represents an integer ranging from 1 to 5;

p and q represent integers and are defined such that

5 p+q is a number ranging from 1 to 5;

R₁ represents a hydrogen or halogen atom or a hydroxy, cyano, nitro, C₁₋₃-alkyl, C₁₋₃-alkoxy, C₁₋₃-thioalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkoxy or C₁₋₃-fluorothioalkyl group;

10 R₂ represents

a hydrogen or halogen atom or

a cyano, nitro, hydroxy, C₁₋₃-alkyl, C₁₋₃-alkoxy,

C₁₋₃-thioalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkoxy,

C₁₋₃-fluorothioalkyl group, or

15 a group selected from a phenyl, naphthyl, biphenyl,

phenylethylenyl, naphthylethylenyl, pyridinyl,

pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl, pyridazinyl, triazinyl,

indanyl, indenyl, quinolinyl, isoquinolinyl,

quinazolinyl, quinoxalinyl, phthalazinyl, cinnolinyl,

20 thienyl, furanyl, pyrrolyl, imidazolyl, pyrazolyl,

oxazolyl, thiazolyl, isoxazolyl, isothiazolyl,

thiadiazolyl, oxadiazolyl, triazolyl, benzothienyl,

benzofuranyl, dibenzofuranyl, benzimidazolyl,

benzotriazolyl, indolyl, isoindolyl, indazolyl,

25 benzoxazolyl, benzisoxazolyl, benzothiazolyl,

- benzisothiazolyl, dihydroindolyl, pyrrolopyridinyl, furopyridinyl, thienopyridinyl, imidazopyridinyl, oxazolopyridinyl, thiazolopyridinyl, pyrazolopyridinyl, isoxazolopyridinyl, isothiazolopyridinyl,
- 5 tetrahydroquinolyl, tetrahydroisoquinolyl, phenyloxy, phenylthio, phenylsulphonyl, benzoyl, benzyloxy, phenylethoxy, phenylpropoxy, naphthyloxy, naphthylmethoxy, naphthylethoxy, naphthylpropoxy, quinolinoxy and isoquinolinoxy and optionally
- 10 substituted by one or more substituents selected from a halogen atom and a cyano, nitro, C₁₋₄-alkyl, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, C₁₋₄-thioalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkoxy, C₁₋₃-fluorothioalkyl, phenyloxy, benzyloxy, piperidinyl, pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl,
- 15 NR₆R₇, NHCOR₆, COR₆, CO₂R₆, SO₂R₆, -O-(C₁₋₃-alkylene)-O- or 4-piperazinyl group optionally substituted by a C₁₋₃-alkyl or by a benzyl;
- R₆ and R₇ represent independently of one another a C₁₋₃-alkyl group or a phenyl; and
- 20 R₃ represents a group of general formula CHR₄CONHR₅ in which
- R₄ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁₋₃-alkyl group and R₅ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁₋₃-alkyl, C₃₋₅-cycloalkyl or C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene group.
- 25 The compounds of general formula (I) may include one or more asymmetric carbons. They may exist in the form of enantiomers or diastereoisomers. These enantiomers and diastereoisomers, and their mixtures,

including the racemic mixtures, form part of the invention.

The compounds of formula (I) may exist in the form of bases or of addition salts with acids. Such
5 addition salts form part of the invention.

These salts are advantageously prepared with pharmaceutically acceptable acids, although the salts of other acids which are of use, for example, for purifying or isolating the compounds of formula (I)
10 also form part of the invention.

The compounds of general formula (I) may be in the form of hydrates or solvates, namely in the form of associations or combinations with one or more molecules of water or with a solvent. Such hydrates and solvates
15 also form part of the invention.

In the context of the invention the terms are understood as follows:

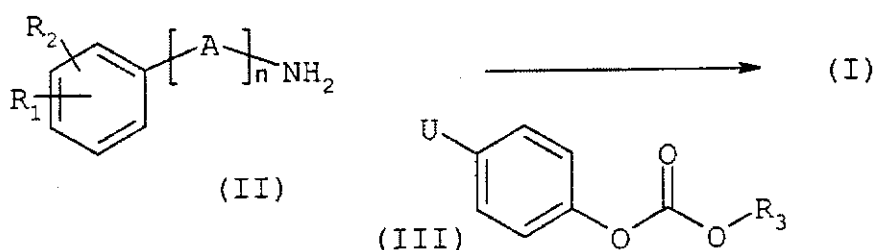
- C_{t-z} , where t and z can take the values from 1 to 12, is a carbon chain which can have from t to z carbon
20 atoms; for example, C_{1-3} is a carbon chain which can have from 1 to 3 carbon atoms;
- alkyl is a saturated, linear or branched aliphatic group; for example, a C_{1-3} -alkyl group represents a linear or branched carbon chain of from 1 to 3 carbon
25 atoms, more particularly a methyl, ethyl, propyl or 1-methylethyl;
- alkylene is a saturated, linear or branched divalent alkyl group; for example, a C_{1-3} -alkylene group

- represents a linear or branched divalent carbon chain of from 1 to 3 carbon atoms, more particularly a methylene, ethylene, 1-methylethylene or propylene;
- cycloalkyl is a cyclic alkyl group; for example, a
 - 5 C₃₋₅-cycloalkyl group represents a cyclic carbon group of from 3 to 5 carbon atoms, more particularly a cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl or cyclopentyl;
 - alkenylene is a divalent unsaturated aliphatic group of two carbons, more particularly an ethylene;
 - 10 - C₂-alkynylene is a -C≡C- group;
 - alkoxy is an -O-alkyl group with a saturated, linear or branched aliphatic chain;
 - thioalkyl is an S-alkyl group with a saturated, linear or branched aliphatic chain;
 - 15 - fluoroalkyl is an alkyl group in which one or more hydrogen atoms have been substituted by a fluorine atom;
 - fluoroalkoxy is an alkoxy group in which one or more hydrogen atoms have been substituted by a fluorine
 - 20 atom;
 - fluorothioalkyl is a thioalkyl group in which one or more hydrogen atoms have been substituted by a fluorine atom; and
 - a halogen atom is a fluorine, a chlorine, a bromine
 - 25 or an iodine.

The compounds of the invention may be prepared according to a variety of methods, which are illustrated by the schemes which follow.

Thus a first method (scheme 1) consists in reacting an amine of general formula (II), in which R_1 , R_2 , n and A are as defined above, with a carbonate of general formula (III), in which U represents a hydrogen atom or a nitro group and R_3 is as defined above, in a solvent such as toluene or dichloroethane at a temperature of between 0 and 80°C.

Scheme 1



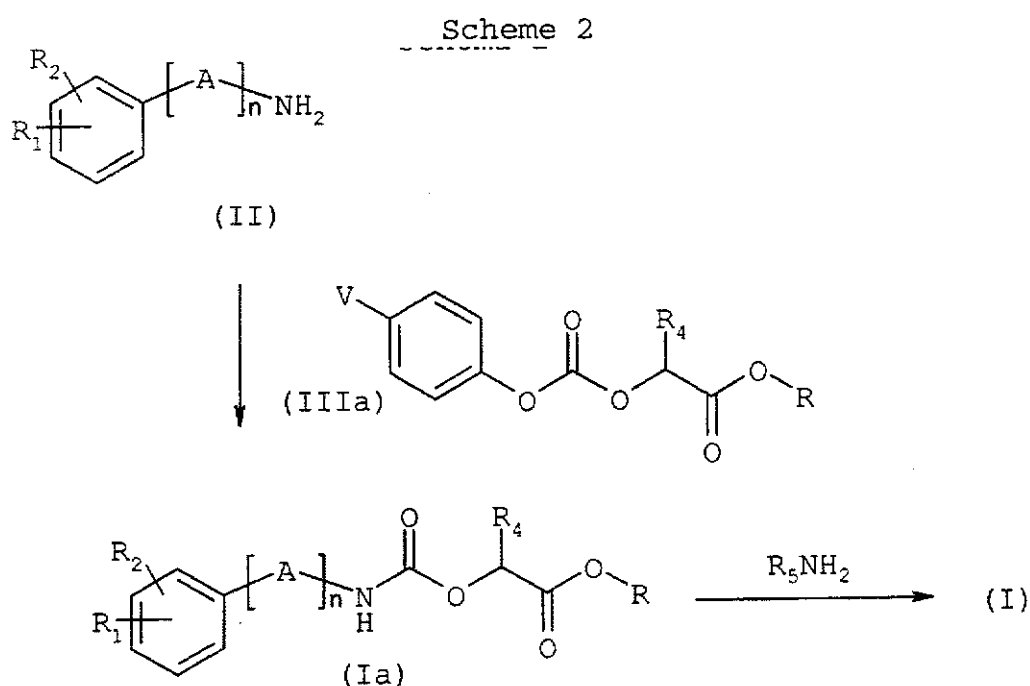
The carbonates of general formula (III) may be prepared according to any method described in the literature; for example, by reacting an alcohol of general formula HOR_3 with phenyl chloroformate or 4-nitrophenyl chloroformate in the presence of a base such as triethylamine or diisopropylethylamine.

Another method (scheme 2) of obtaining compounds of general formula (I) consists in reacting an amine of general formula (II), as defined above, with a carbonate of general formula (IIIa), in which V represents a hydrogen atom or a nitro group, R_4 is as defined above and R represents a methyl or ethyl group. The carbamate ester of general formula (Ia) thus obtained is subsequently converted into a compound of

general formula (I) by aminolysis using an amine of general formula R_5NH_2 , in which R_5 is as defined above. The aminolysis reaction may be conducted in a solvent such as methanol or a mixture of solvents such as

5 methanol and tetrahydrofuran.

The carbonates of general formula (IIIa) may be prepared similarly to the carbonates of formula (III).



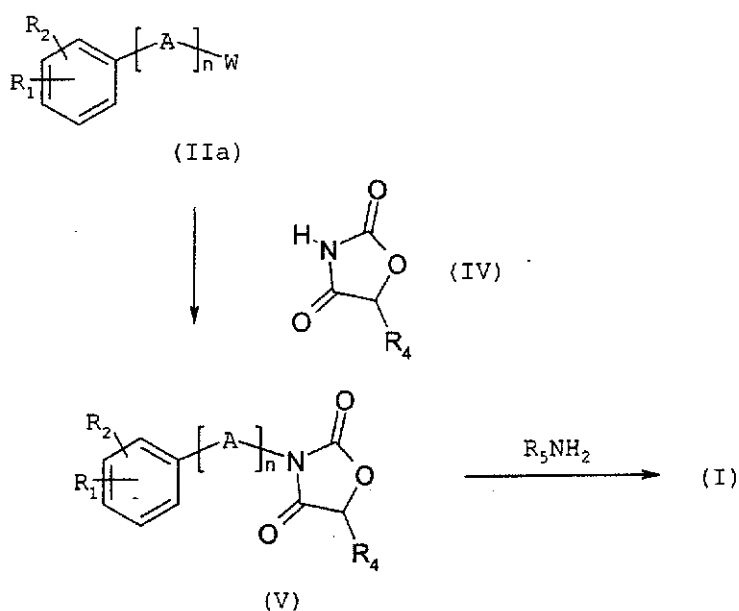
10 A variant preparation (scheme 3) of the compounds of general formula (I) consists in reacting a derivative of general formula (IIa), in which R_1 , R_2 , n and A are as defined above and W represents a hydroxy, mesylate or tosylate group, or a chlorine, bromine or

15 iodine atom, with an oxazolidinedione of general structure (IV), in which R_4 is as defined above, to give the oxazolidinedione derivative of general structure (V).

Where W represents a hydroxy group the reaction may be performed in accordance with the Mitsunobu conditions (Synthesis 1981, 1-28), for example, by the action of diethyl or diisopropyl azodicarboxylate in the presence of triphenylphosphine.

Where X represents a chlorine, bromine or iodine atom or a mesylate or tosylate group the reaction may be performed in the presence of a base such as 1,1,3,3-tetramethylguanidine, sodium hydride or sodium tert-butoxide in a solvent such as tetrahydrofuran, acetonitrile or dimethylformamide at a temperature of between 0°C and 80°C. The oxazolidinedione derivative of general formula (V) thus obtained is subsequently converted into a compound of general formula (I) by aminolysis using an amine of general formula R_5NH_2 , in which R_5 is as defined above.

Scheme 3



When R_2 represents a group of aryl or heteroaryl type in a compound of formula (I), (Ia), (II), (IIa) or (V), R_2 may be introduced onto the phenyl ring by reacting a derivative of a compound of general formula (I), (Ia), (II), (IIa) or (V) in which the phenyl ring carries a chlorine, bromine or iodine atom or a triflate group, in the position where it is desired to introduce R_2 , with an aryl- or heteroaryl boronic acid derivative in accordance with the Suzuki reaction conditions (*Chem. Rev.* (1995), 95, 2457-2483), or with an aryl or heteroaryl trialkyltin derivative in accordance with the Stille reaction conditions (*Angew. Chem.* (1986), 25, 508-524).

When R_2 represents an aryloxy or imidazolyl, pyrrolopyridinyl or indolyl group in a compound of formula (I), (Ia), (II), (IIa) or (V), the introduction of R_2 onto the phenyl ring can be carried out by an O-arylation or N-arylation reaction in accordance with the Buchwald reaction conditions (*Angew. Chem.* (2003), 42, 5400-5449).

The compounds of general formulae (II), (IIa) and (IV), when the method by which they are prepared is not described, are available commercially or described in the literature, or else may be prepared according to methods which are described therein or which are known to the person skilled in the art.

The compounds of general formula (Ia) in which n , A , R_1 , R_2 and R_4 are as defined for the general

formula (I) and R represents a methyl or ethyl group are novel and also form part of the invention. They are useful as synthesis intermediates for the preparation of the compounds of general formula (I).

- 5 The compounds of general formula (V) in which n, A, R₁ and R₄ are as defined for the general formula (I) and where R₂ represents
- a hydrogen, bromine, iodine or fluorine atom or
- a cyano, nitro, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy,
- 10 C₁₋₄-thioalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkoxy or C₁₋₄-fluorothioalkyl group, or
- a group selected from a phenyl, naphthyl, biphenyl, phenylethylenyl, naphthylethylenyl, pyridinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl, pyridazinyl, triazinyl,
- 15 indanyl, indenyl, quinolinyl, isoquinolinyl, quinazolinyl, quinoxalinyl, phthalazinyl, cinnolinyl, thienyl, furanyl, pyrrolyl, imidazolyl, pyrazolyl, oxazolyl, thiazolyl, isoxazolyl, isothiazolyl, thiadiazolyl, oxadiazolyl, triazolyl, phenylimidazolyl,
- 20 benzothienyl, benzofuranyl, dibenzofuranyl, benzimidazolyl, benzotriazolyl, indolyl, isoindolyl, indazolyl, benzoxazolyl, benzisoxazolyl, benzothiazolyl, benzisothiazolyl, dihydroindolyl, pyrrolopyridinyl, furopyridinyl, thienopyridinyl,
- 25 imidazopyridinyl, oxazolopyridinyl, thiazolopyridinyl, pyrazolopyridinyl, isoxazolopyridinyl, isothiazolopyridinyl, tetrahydroquinolinyl, tetrahydroisoquinolinyl, phenyloxy, phenylthio,

phenylsulphonyl, benzoyl, benzyloxy, phenylethoxy,
phenylpropoxy, naphthyloxy, naphthylmethoxy,
naphthylethoxy, naphthylpropoxy, quinolinoxy and
isoquinolinoxy and optionally substituted by one or
5 more substituents selected from a halogen atom and a
cyano, nitro, C₁₋₄-alkyl, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkoxy,
C₁₋₄-thioalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkoxy,
C₁₋₃-fluorothioalkyl, phenyloxy, benzyloxy, piperidinyl,
pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl, NR₆R₇, NHCOR₆, COR₆, CO₂R₆,
10 SO₂R₆, -O-(C₁₋₃-alkylene)-O- or 4-piperazinyl group
optionally substituted by a C₁₋₃-alkyl or by a benzyl;
and

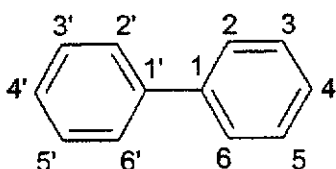
R₆ and R₇ represent independently of one another a
C₁₋₃-alkyl group or a phenyl;
15 are novel and also form part of the invention. They are
useful as synthesis intermediates for the preparation
of the compounds of general formula (I).

The examples which now follow illustrate the
preparation of some compounds of the invention. These
20 examples are not limited to this and merely illustrate
the invention. The microanalyses, IR and NMR spectra
and/or the LC-MS (liquid chromatography coupled to mass
spectroscopy) confirm the structures and purities of
the compounds obtained.

25 m.p. (°C) represents the melting point in degrees
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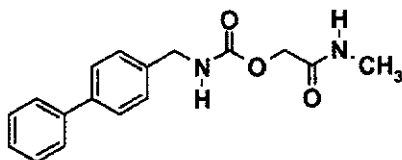
The numbers indicated between brackets in the titles of the examples correspond to those of the 1st column of the table hereinafter.

IUPAC (International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry) nomenclature has been used to name the compounds in the following examples. For example, for the biphenyl group, the following numbering has been respected:



10 **Example 1 (Compound 1)**

2-(methylamino)-2-oxoethyl 1,1'-biphenyl-4-ylmethylcarbamate



0.1 g (0.97 mmol) of N-methyl-2-hydroxyacetamide is admixed dropwise at ambient temperature with a solution of 0.196 g (0.97 mmol) of 4-nitrophenyl chloroformate in 3 ml of methylene chloride and 0.166 ml (0.97 mmol) of *N,N*-diisopropylethylamine. The mixture is stirred at ambient temperature for 45 minutes and then a solution of 0.195 g (1.067 mmol) of 4-phenylbenzylamine in 3 ml of methylene chloride and 0.166 ml (0.97 mmol) of *N,N*-diisopropylethylamine is added dropwise at ambient temperature. The mixture is stirred at ambient

temperature for 1 hour. It is washed with saturated aqueous ammonium chloride solution, with aqueous 10% sodium carbonate solution and with saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution. The phases are separated and
 5 the organic phase is dried over sodium sulphate. The system is filtered, the filtrate is concentrated under reduced pressure and the residue is purified by chromatography on silica gel using ethyl acetate. This gives 0.1 g of white solid.

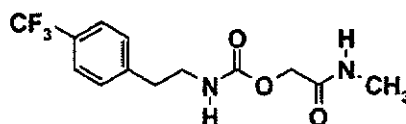
10 LC-MS: M+H = 299

m.p. (°C): 189-190°C

¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆) δ (ppm): 7.90-7.35 (m, 11H); 4.40 (s, 2H); 4.30 (d, 2H); 2.65 (d, 3H).

15 **Example 2 (Compound 125)**

2-(methyamino)-2-oxoethyl 2-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]ethylcarbamate



2.1. 3-{2-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]ethyl}-1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione

A solution of 1.4 g (7.36 mmol) of 2-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]ethanol, 2.22 g (8.47 mmol) of triphenylphosphine and 0.82 g (8.1 mmol) of 1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione (J. Med. Chem. 1991, 34,
 25 1542-1543) in 25 ml of tetrahydrofuran, cooled to approximately -10°C, is admixed dropwise under an inert

atmosphere with a solution of 1.7 g (8.47 mmol) of diisopropyl azidocarboxylate (DIAD) in 5 ml of tetrahydrofuran, while maintaining the temperature of the reaction mixture between -10°C and 0°C. Stirring is continued at 0°C for 1 hour and then at 25°C for 20 hours.

The filtrate is concentrated under reduced pressure and the residue is taken up in dichloromethane and aqueous 5% sodium hydroxide solution (10 ml). The aqueous phase is separated and then extracted twice with dichloromethane. The organic phases are combined and washed in succession with aqueous hydrochloric acid solution (1N) and then saturated aqueous sodium hydrogencarbonate solution and saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution. The organic phase is dried over sodium sulphate and the filtrate is concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained is purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 20/80 mixture of ethyl acetate and cyclohexane. This gives 1.5 g of oxazolidinedione in the form of an oil.

2.2. 2-(methylamino)-2-oxoethyl 2-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]ethylcarbamate

A solution of 0.75 g (2.74 mmol) of 3-{2-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]ethyl}-1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione obtained in step 2.1., in 10 ml of methanol is admixed with 8 ml (16.47 mmol) of a solution (2M) of methylamine in

tetrahydrofuran. Stirring is continued at ambient temperature for 12 hours.

Following concentration under reduced pressure the residue obtained is purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 95/5 mixture of dichloromethane and methanol. A white solid is obtained which is recrystallized from a mixture of ethyl acetate and diisopropyl ether.

This gives 0.530 g of pure product.

10 LC-MS: M+H = 305

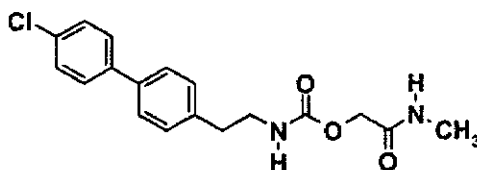
m.p. (°C): 140-142°C

¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 2.85 (d, 3H); 2.95 (t, 2H); 3.50 (q, 2H); 4.60 (s, 2H); 4.90 (broad s, 1H); 6.15 (broad s, 1H); 7.35 (d, 2H); 7.60 (d, 2H).

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Example 3 (Compound 150)

2-(methylamino)-2-oxoethyl 2-(4'-chloro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)ethylcarbamate



20 3.1. 3-[2-(4-bromophenyl)ethyl]-1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione

The procedure described in Example 2 (step 2.1.) is used; starting from 4 g (19.89 mmol) of 2-(4-bromophenyl)ethanol, 6.3 g (23.87 mmol) of triphenylphosphine, 2.4 g (23.87 mmol) of

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1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione and 4.8 g (23.87 mmol) of diisopropyl azodicarboxylate, 4.6 g of pure product are obtained in the form of a white solid, after chromatography on silica gel, eluting with

5 dichloromethane.

m.p. (°C): 122-124°C

3.2. 3-[2-(4'-chloro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)ethyl]-1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione

10 A 250 ml three-necked round-bottomed flask placed under an inert atmosphere is charged with 2 g (7.04 mmol) of 3-[2-(4-bromophenyl)ethyl]-1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione, obtained in step 3.1., 2.2 g (14.08 mmol) of 4-chlorophenylboronic acid and 6.5 g (28.16 mmol) of
15 potassium phosphate hydrate in suspension in 100 ml of 1,2-dimethoxyethane. Subsequently 0.80 g (0.70 mmol) of palladium tetrakis(triphenylphosphine) is added. The reaction mixture is subsequently refluxed overnight. The salts are separated by filtration over Celite and
20 then the filtrate is concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue is taken up in ethyl acetate and water. The organic phase is separated and is washed with saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution. The filtrate is concentrated under reduced pressure and the
25 residue is purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with dichloromethane.

This gives 1.22 g of pure product in the form of a white solid.

m.p. (°C): 182-184°C

3.3. 2-(methylamino)-2-oxoethyl 2-(4'-chloro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)ethylcarbamate

5 The procedure described in Example 2 (step 2.2.) is repeated. Starting from 0.40 g (1.27 mmol) of 3-[2-(4'-chloro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)ethyl]-1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione, obtained in step 3.2., and 2.5 ml (5.07 mmol) of methylamine (2M) in tetrahydrofuran, 0.250 g of pure
10 product is obtained in the form of a white solid, following chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 98/2 mixture of dichloromethane and methanol.

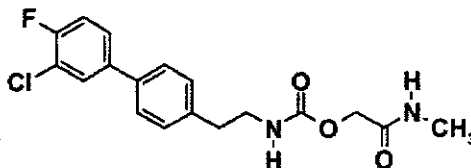
LC-MS: M+H = 348

m.p. (°C): 186-188°C

15 ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 2.80 (d, 3H); 2.95 (t, 2H); 3.55 (q, 2H); 4.60 (s, 2H); 4.90 (broad s, 1H); 6.15 (broad s, 1H); 7.33 (d, 2H); 7.40-7.70 (unresolved multiplet, 6H).

20 **Example 4 (Compound 192)**

2-(methylamino)-2-oxoethyl 2-(3'-chloro-4'-fluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)ethylcarbamate



4.1. 2-(methylamino)-2-oxoethyl 2-(4-bromo-phenyl)ethylcarbamate

The procedure described in Example 2 (step 2.2.) is repeated. Starting from 2.6 g (9.15 mmol) of 3-[2-(4-bromophenyl)ethyl]-1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione, prepared in Example 3 (step 3.1.), and 18.3 ml (36.6 mmol) of methylamine (2M) in tetrahydrofuran, and after the product has been taken up in diisopropyl ether, 2.6 g of pure product are obtained in the form of a white solid.

m.p. (°C): 122-124°C

4.2. 2-(methylamino)-2-oxoethyl 2-(3'-chloro-4'-fluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)ethylcarbamate

The method described in Example 2 (step 2.2.) is used. Starting from 0.820 g (2.6 mmol) of 2-(methylamino)-2-oxoethyl 2-(4-bromophenyl)ethylcarbamate, obtained in step 4.1, and 0.4 g (2.86 mmol) of 3-chloro-4-fluorophenylboronic acid, 2.86 ml (5.72 mmol) of aqueous sodium carbonate solution (2M), 3 ml of ethanol and 0.15 g (0.13 mmol) of palladium tetrakis(triphenylphosphine), 0.42 g of pure product is obtained in the form of a white solid, following chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 95/5 mixture of dichloromethane and methanol, followed by recrystallization from ethyl acetate.

LC-MS: M+H = 365

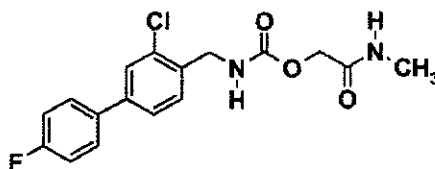
m.p. (°C): 178-180°C

^1H NMR (CDCl_3) δ (ppm): 2.80 (d, 3H); 2.90 (t, 2H); 3.55 (q, 2H); 4.60 (s, 2H); 4.90 (broad s, 1H); 6.15 (broad s, 1H); 7.10-7.30 (unresolved multiplet, 3H); 7.40-7.55 (unresolved multiplet, 3H); 7.65 (dd, 1H).

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Example 5 (Compound 9)

2-(methylamino)-2-oxoethyl (3-chloro-4'-fluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)methylcarbamate



10 5.1. 3-chloro-4'-fluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-carboxylic acid

Under an inert atmosphere, 5 g (21.2 mmol) of 4-bromo-2-chlorobenzoic acid, 2.96 g (23.3 mmol) of 4-fluorophenylboronic acid and 31.8 ml (63.6 mmol) of aqueous sodium carbonate solution (2M) in suspension in 40 ml of toluene are introduced. Subsequently 0.80 g (0.70 mmol) of palladium tetrakis(triphenylphosphine) is added. The reaction mixture is subsequently refluxed overnight.

20 The salts are separated by filtration over Celite and then the filtrate is concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue is taken up in ethyl acetate and aqueous hydrochloric acid (4N). The organic phase is separated and is washed with saturated aqueous sodium

chloride solution and the filtrate is concentrated under reduced pressure. This gives 3.1 g of acid in the form of a beige solid which is used as it is in the following step.

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5.2. (3-chloro-4'-fluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)methanol

A solution of 3.1 g (12.4 mmol) of 3-chloro-4'-fluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-carboxylic acid, prepared in step 5.1.,
10 in 50 ml of tetrahydrofuran is admixed dropwise at ambient temperature with 9.3 ml (18.56 mmol) of a solution (2M) of borane-dimethyl sulphide complex in tetrahydrofuran. Stirring is continued at ambient temperature for 18 hours.

15 The mixture is concentrated under reduced pressure and the residue is taken up in ethyl acetate and 100 ml of 0.1 N aqueous hydrochloric acid. The aqueous phase is separated and then is extracted twice with ethyl acetate. The organic phases are combined and are washed
20 in succession with saturated aqueous sodium hydrogencarbonate solution and then saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution. The organic phase is dried over sodium sulphate and the filtrate is concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained is
25 purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 20/80 mixture of ethyl acetate and cyclohexane. This gives 1.9 g of pure product in the form of a white solid.

m.p. (°C): 86-88°C

5.3. 3-chloro-4-(chloromethyl)-4'-fluoro-
1,1'-biphenyl

5 A solution of 1.9 g (8 mmol) of (3-chloro-4'-fluoro-
1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)methanol, prepared in step 5.2., in
20 ml of chloroform is admixed dropwise at ambient
temperature with 2.3 ml (32 mmol) of thionyl chloride.
The mixture is stirred at ambient temperature for
10 18 hours and the filtrate is concentrated to dryness
under reduced pressure. The residue obtained is
coevaporated with 50 ml of toluene.
This gives 2 g of chloride in the form of an oil, which
is used as it is in the following step.

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5.4. 3-[(3-chloro-4'-fluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-
4-yl)methyl]-1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione

A solution of 0.5 g (1.96 mmol) of 3-chloro-
4-(chloromethyl)-4'-fluoro-1,1'-biphenyl, prepared in
20 step 5.3., 0.240 g (2.35 mmol) of 1,3-oxazolidine-
2,4-dione and 0.45 g (3.92 mmol) of
1,1,3,3-tetramethylguanidine in 10 ml of
tetrahydrofuran is refluxed for 18 hours.
The mixture is allowed to return to ambient temperature
25 and is concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue
is taken up in dichloromethane and water and the
aqueous phase is separated and extracted twice with
dichloromethane. The combined organic phases are washed

with saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution and dried over sodium sulphate. Following evaporation of the solvent the residue obtained is purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 20/80 mixture of ethyl acetate and cyclohexane.

This gives 0.33 g of pure product in the form of a white solid.

m.p. (°C): 108-110°C

5.5. 2-(methylamino)-2-oxoethyl (3-chloro-4'-fluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)methylcarbamate

The procedure described in Example 2 (step 2.2.) is repeated. Starting from 0.33 g (0.9 mmol) of 3-[(3-chloro-4'-fluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)methyl]-1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione, obtained in step 5.4., and 1.35 ml (2.7 mmol) of a solution of methylamine (2M) in tetrahydrofuran, 0.21 g of pure product is obtained in the form of a white solid, following chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 95/5 mixture of dichloromethane and methanol, followed by recrystallization from ethyl acetate.

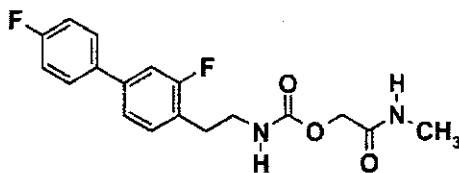
LC-MS: M+H = 351

m.p. (°C): 170-172°C

¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 2.90 (d, 3H); 4.50 (d, 2H); 4.60 (s, 2H); 5.40 (broad s, 1H); 6.10 (broad s, 1H); 7.15 (t, 2H); 7.40-7.70 (unresolved multiplet, 5H).

Example 6 (Compound 141)

2-(methylamino)-2-oxoethyl 2-(3,4'-difluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)ethylcarbamate



6.1. 3,4'-difluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-carboxaldehyde

5 The method described in Example 3 (step 3.2.) is used. Starting from 5.3 g (26 mmol) of 4-bromo-2-fluorobenzaldehyde, 4 g (28.6 mmol) of 4-fluorophenylboronic acid, 26 ml (52 mmol) of aqueous sodium carbonate (2M) solution and 0.9 g (0.78 mmol) of
10 palladium tetrakis(triphenylphosphine), 3.4 g of pure product are obtained in the form of a white solid, following chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 10/90 mixture of ethyl acetate and cyclohexane.

m.p. (°C): 98°C

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6.2. 3,4'-difluoro-4-[(Z/E)-2-nitrovinyl]-1,1'-biphenyl

A suspension of 3.4 g (15.6 mmol) of 3,4'-difluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-carboxaldehyde, prepared in step 6.1.,
20 1.5 ml (27.3 mmol) of nitromethane and 0.9 g (11.7 mmol) of ammonium acetate is heated at 50°C overnight. It is allowed to return to ambient temperature and is taken up in dichloromethane and water. The aqueous phase is separated and extracted

twice with dichloromethane and the combined organic phases are washed with saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution and dried over sodium sulphate. Following evaporation of the solvent, the residue
5 obtained is purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 10/90 mixture of ethyl acetate and cyclohexane.
This gives 2 g of a pure product in the form of a yellow oil.

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6.3. 2-(3,4'-difluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)ethanamine

A suspension of 0.90 g (23.7 mmol) of lithium aluminium hydride in 20 ml of ether, cooled to approximately 0°C, is admixed dropwise with a solution of 2 g (7.7 mmol)
15 of 3,4'-difluoro-4-(Z/E)-2-nitrovinyl]-1,1'-biphenyl, obtained in step 6.2., in 40 ml of a mixture of tetrahydrofuran and ether (1/1). The reaction mixture is subsequently heated at 60°C for 2 hours.

It is allowed to return to ambient temperature and is
20 filtered on paper and then the filtrate is treated with 0.9 ml of water and 0.9 ml of aqueous 15% sodium hydroxide solution and then 2.7 ml of water. It is stirred at ambient temperature for 1 hour. It is taken up in ethyl acetate, the aqueous phase is separated and
25 extracted three times with ethyl acetate, the combined organic phases are washed with saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution and dried over sodium sulphate and the filtrate is concentrated under reduced pressure.

The residue obtained is purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 97/3/0.3 mixture of dichloromethane, methanol and 28% aqueous ammonia. This gives 0.31 g of product in the form of a
5 colourless oil.

6.4. ethyl [(phenyloxycarbonyl)oxy]acetate

A solution of 25 g (240 mmol) of ethyl glycolate and 55 ml (315 mmol) of diisopropylethylamine in 500 ml of
10 toluene is admixed slowly at ambient temperature with 32 ml (256 mmol) of phenyl chloroformate. Stirring is continued at ambient temperature for 2 hours. The salt formed is separated off and the filtrate is concentrated under reduced pressure.
15 This gives 53.7 g of an oily product, which is used as it is in the following step.

6.5. ethyl (((2-(3,4'-difluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)ethyl)amino)carbonyl)oxyacetate

20 A solution of 0.31 g (1.33 mmol) of 2-(3,4'-difluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)ethanamine, prepared in step 6.3., and 0.33 g (1.46 mmol) of ethyl [(phenyloxycarbonyl)oxy]acetate, obtained in step 6.4., in 10 ml of toluene is heated at 60°C for 18 hours.
25 It is allowed to return to ambient temperature, the insoluble material is separated off by filtration and the filtrate is concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue is taken up in dichloromethane and the

combined organic phases are washed with saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution and dried over sodium sulphate. Following evaporation of the solvent, the residue obtained is purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 30/70 mixture of ethyl acetate and cyclohexane.

This gives 0.33 g of pure product in the form of a white solid.

m.p. (°C): 73-75°C

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6.6. 2-(methylamino)-2-oxoethyl 2-(3,4'-difluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)ethylcarbamate

The procedure of Example 2 (step 2.2.) is repeated.

Starting from 0.33 g (0.9 mmol) of ethyl (((2-(3,4'-difluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)ethyl)amino)carbonyl)oxyacetate prepared in step 6.5., and 1.35 ml (2.7 mmol) of a solution of methylamine (2M) in tetrahydrofuran, 0.210 g of pure product is obtained in the form of a white solid, following recrystallization from ethyl acetate.

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LC-MS: M+H = 349

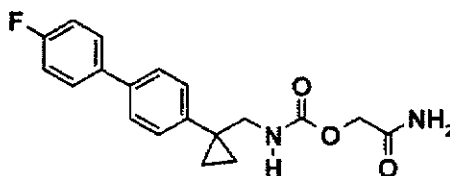
m.p. (°C): 164-166°C

¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 2.90 (d, 3H); 3.0 (t, 2H); 3.50 (q, 2H); 4.60 (s, 2H); 5.0 (broad s, 1H); 6.10 (broad s, 1H); 7.10-7.40 (unresolved multiplet, 5H); 7.55 (dd, 2H).

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Example 7 (compound 145)

2-amino-2-oxoethyl 1-(4'-fluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)cyclopropylmethylcarbamate



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7.1. (4'-fluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)acetonitrile

The method described in Example 3 (step 3.2.) is used.

Starting from 4.12 g (32.48 mmol) of

(4-bromophenyl)acetonitrile, 5 g (35.73 mmol) of

10 4-fluorophenylboronic acid, 32.48 ml (64.96 mmol) of

aqueous sodium carbonate (2M) solution and 1.24 g

(1.07 mmol) of palladium tetrakis(triphenylphosphine),

3.3 g of pure product are obtained in the form of a

white solid, following chromatography on silica gel,

15 eluting with a 15/85 mixture of ethyl acetate and

cyclohexane.

m.p. (°C): 100-102°C

7.2. 1-(4'-fluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)cyclopropane-

20 carbonitrile

A suspension of 3.1 g (14.7 mmol) of (4'-fluoro-1,1'-

biphenyl-4-yl)acetonitrile, prepared in step 7.1.,

2.4 ml (29.4 mmol) of 1-bromo-2-chloroethane and

0.067 g (0.294 mmol) of N-triethylbenzylammonium

25 chloride, heated to approximately 50°C, is admixed

dropwise with 6.7 g (102.8 mmol) of aqueous 60% potassium hydroxide solution. Stirring is continued at 50°C for 18 hours.

The mixture is allowed to return to ambient

5 temperature, the insoluble material is separated off by filtration and the filtrate is taken up in ethyl acetate. The aqueous phase is separated and extracted three times with ethyl acetate. The combined organic phases are washed with saturated aqueous sodium
10 chloride solution and dried over sodium sulphate.

Following evaporation of the solvent, the residue obtained is purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 10/90 mixture of ethyl acetate and cyclohexane.

15 This gives 2.97 g of pure product in the form of a white solid.

m.p. (°C): 70-72°C

7.3. 1-[1-(4'-fluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)cyclopropyl]methanamine
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A solution of 2.5 g (10 mmol) of 1-(4'-fluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)cyclopropylcarbonitrile, prepared in step 7.2., in 50 ml of tetrahydrofuran, cooled to approximately 0°C, is admixed dropwise with 10 ml
25 (10 mmol) of a solution of lithium aluminium hydride (1M) in tetrahydrofuran. Stirring is continued at 0°C for 1 hour and then at ambient temperature for 18 hours.

The mixture is filtered on paper and then the filtrate is treated with 0.4 ml of water and 0.4 ml of aqueous 15% sodium hydroxide solution and then 1.2 ml of water. The mixture is stirred at ambient temperature for 5 1 hour. It is taken up in ethyl acetate, the aqueous phase is separated and extracted twice with ethyl acetate, the combined organic phases are washed with saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution and dried over sodium sulphate and the filtrate is concentrated 10 under reduced pressure.

This gives 2.1 g of product in the form of a white solid, which is used as it is in the following step.

m.p. (°C): 100-102°C

15 7.4. ethyl 1-((((((4'-fluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)cyclopropyl)methyl)amino)carbonyl)oxy)acetate

The procedure described in Example 6 (step 6.4.) is used. Starting from 2.4 g (10 mmol) of 1-[1-(4'-fluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)cyclopropyl]methanamine, prepared in 20 step 7.3., and 2.7 g (12 mmol) of ethyl [(phenyloxycarbonyl)oxy]acetate prepared in Example 6 (step 6.2.), 2.7 g of pure product are obtained in the form of a white solid, following chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 15/85 mixture of ethyl 25 acetate and cyclohexane.

m.p. (°C): 96°C

7.5. 2-amino-2-oxoethyl 1-(4'-fluoro-1,1'-
biphenyl-4-yl)cyclopropylmethylcarbamate

- A solution of 1.4 g (3.77 mmol) of ethyl 1-((((((4'-
fluoro-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)cyclopropyl)methyl)amino)-
5 carbonyl)oxy)acetate, obtained in step 7.4., in 10 ml
of a 1/1 mixture of methanol and tetrahydrofuran is
admixed with 11 ml (75 mmol) of a solution of
ammonia (7N) in methanol. Stirring is continued at
ambient temperatures for 12 hours.
- 10 Following concentration under reduced pressure, the
residue obtained is purified by chromatography on
silica gel, eluting with a 97/3 mixture of
dichloromethane and methanol, followed by
recrystallization from ethyl acetate.
- 15 This gives 0.738 g of pure product in the form of a
white solid.

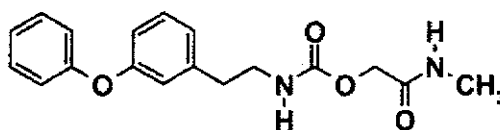
LC-MS: M+H = 343

m.p. (°C): 139-141°C

- ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 1.0 (s, 4H); 3.50 (d, 2H); 4.55
20 (s, 2H); 4.90 (broad s, 1H); 5.50 (broad s, 1H); 5.90
(broad s, 1H); 7.15 (t, 2H); 7.30-7.70 (unresolved
multiplet, 6H).

Example 8 (compound 197)

- 25 2-(methylamino)-2-oxoethyl 2-(3-phenyloxyphenyl)ethyl-
carbamate



8.1. 2-(3-phenoxyphenyl)ethanamine

1.38 g (6.59 mmol) of 3-phenoxyphenylacetonitrile and
 5 1.57 g (6.59 mmol) of cobalt(II) chloride hexahydrate
 are dissolved in 25 ml of methanol. The solution is
 cooled with an iced water bath and 1.74 g (46 mmol) of
 sodium borohydride are added in portions. The reaction
 mixture is stirred overnight at ambient temperature. It
 10 is filtered on paper and rinsed with twice 25 ml of
 methanol. The filtrate is concentrated under reduced
 pressure and the residue is taken up in 50 ml of
 aqueous hydrochloric acid (1N) and 25 ml of ether.
 After distinct phases have separated out they are
 15 separated. The aqueous phase is washed with three times
 25 ml of ether. The aqueous phase is rendered alkaline
 with 10 ml of aqueous 36% sodium hydroxide and
 extracted with three times 50 ml of dichloromethane.
 The extracts are washed with saturated aqueous sodium
 20 chloride solution and dried over sodium sulphate and
 the filtrate is concentrated under reduced pressure.
 This gives 0.67 g of product in the form of a brown-
 orange oil, which is used as it is in the following
 step.

8.2. Ethyl (((2-(3-phenyloxyphenyl)ethylamino)-
carbonyl)oxy)acetate

A mixture of 0.66 g (3.09 mmol) of 2-(3-
phenyloxyphenyl)ethanamine, obtained in step 8.1, and
5 0.96 g (4.28 mmol) of ethyl
[(phenyloxycarbonyl)oxy]acetate described in Example 6
in step 6.4., in 15 ml of toluene is heated at 60°C
overnight. The filtrate is concentrated under reduced
pressure and the residue is purified by chromatography
10 on silica gel, eluting with an 85/15 then 70/30 mixture
of cyclohexane and ethyl acetate.
This gives 0.80 g of product in the form of an oil,
which is used as it is in the following step.

15 8.3. 2-(methylamino)-2-oxoethyl 2-(3-
phenyloxyphenyl)ethylcarbamate

0.70 g (2.30 mmol) of ethyl (((2-(3-
phenyloxyphenyl)ethylamino)carbonyl)oxy)acetate,
obtained in step 8.2., is dissolved in a mixture of
20 4.5 ml of a solution (2M) of methylamine in
tetrahydrofuran and 4.5 ml of methanol. The solution is
left overnight at ambient temperature. The filtrate is
concentrated under reduced pressure and the residue is
purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with
25 a 98/2 then 96/4 mixture of dichloromethane and
methanol. The product is subsequently recrystallized
from a mixture of ethyl acetate and diisopropyl ether.
This gives 0.51 g of fine white crystals.

LC-MS: M+H = 329

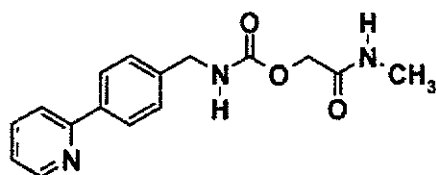
m.p. (°C): 82-84°C

¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆) δ (ppm): 7.4-7.25 (m, 4H), 7.15 (t, 1H), 7.05-6.9 (m, 3H), 6.85 (s, 1H), 6.1 (m, 1H), 4.9 (m, 1H), 4.6 (s, 2H), 3.5 (q, 2H), 2.9-2.85 (m, 5H).

Example 9 (compound 81)

2-(methyamino)-2-oxoethyl 4-pyridin-2-ylbenzylcarbamate

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9.1. 3-(4-bromobenzyl)-1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione

15 A solution of 1.50 g (6 mmol) of 4-bromobenzyl bromide and 0.73 g (7.2 mmol) of 1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione in 6 ml of tetrahydrofuran is admixed dropwise with a solution of 1.39 g (12 mmol) of 1,1,3,3-tetramethylguanidine in 6 ml of tetrahydrofuran. The
20 mixture is stirred at ambient temperature overnight. 50 ml of ice-cold aqueous hydrochloric acid (1N) and 100 ml of ethyl acetate are added. The organic phase is separated after settling out and washed successively with 25 ml of water and 25 ml of saturated aqueous
25 sodium chloride solution. It is dried over sodium

sulphate and the filtrate is concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue is purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with an 80/20 mixture of cyclohexane and ethyl acetate. 1.14 g of product are
5 obtained in the form of white crystals.

m.p. (°C): 88-90°C

9.2. 3-(4-pyridin-2-ylbenzyl)-1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione

Under an argon atmosphere, a mixture of 0.59 g
10 (2.18 mmol) of 3-(4-bromobenzyl)-1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione, obtained in step 9.1., 1.60 g (4.35 mmol) of pyridin-2-yltri-n-butylstannane, 0.28 g (6.6 mmol) of lithium chloride and 0.125 g (0.10 mmol) of palladium tetrakis(triphenylphosphine) in 15 ml of toluene is
15 heated at reflux overnight. It is cooled to ambient temperature, filtered on paper and rinsed in succession with 10 ml of toluene, 10 ml of ethyl acetate and 10 ml of toluene. The filtrates are concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue is taken up in 50 ml of
20 acetonitrile and washed with four times 25 ml of n-hexane. The acetonitrile phase is concentrated under reduced pressure and the residue is purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 70/30 then 60/40 mixture of cyclohexane and ethyl acetate.
25 This gives 0.428 g of product in the form of a white powder.

m.p. (°C): 166°C

9.3. 2-(methyamino)-2-oxoethyl 4-pyridin-2-ylbenzylcarbamate

0.42 g (1.56 mmol) of 3-(4-pyridin-2-ylbenzyl)-1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione, obtained in step 9.2., is dissolved in a mixture of 3.5 ml of a solution (2M) of methylamine in tetrahydrofuran and 3.5 ml of methanol. The solution is left overnight at ambient temperature. 1.5 g of silica are added and the mixture is concentrated to dryness under reduced pressure, then purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 94/6 then 93/7 mixture of dichloromethane and methanol. The product is recrystallized from a mixture of isopropanol and diisopropyl ether. This gives 0.30 g of product in the form of white flakes.

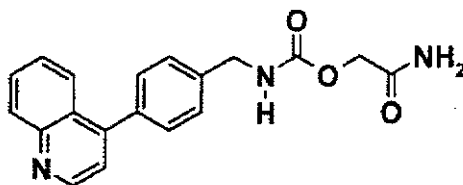
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m.p. (°C): 151-153°C

¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆) δ (ppm): 8.6 (d, 1H), 8.05 (d, 2H), 7.95-7.7 (m, 4H, including 2 exchangeable in D₂O), 7.35 (d, 2H), 7.3 (m, 1H), 4.35 (s, 2H), 4.25 (d, 2H, s on exchange in D₂O), 2.6 (d, 3H, s on exchange in D₂O).

Example 10 (compound 98)

2-amino-2-oxoethyl 4-isoquinolin-4-ylbenzylcarbamate



10.1. (4-isoquinolin-4-ylphenyl)methanol

Under an argon atmosphere, a mixture of 1.09 g
 5 (7.2 mmol) of (4-hydroxymethyl)phenylboronic acid,
 1.24 g (6 mmol) of 4-bromoisoquinoline and 0.28 g
 (0.24 mmol) of palladium tetrakis(triphenylphosphine)
 in 50 ml of toluene and 10 ml of aqueous sodium
 carbonate solution (2M) is heated at reflux overnight.
 10 The filtrate is concentrated under reduced pressure and
 the residue is taken up in 150 ml of ethyl acetate and
 40 ml of water. After the phases have settled and been
 separated, the organic phase is washed in succession
 with 20 ml of water and 20 ml of saturated aqueous
 15 sodium chloride solution. It is dried over sodium
 sulphate and the filtrate is concentrated under reduced
 pressure. The residue is purified by chromatography on
 silica gel, eluting with a 60/40 then 40/60 mixture of
 cyclohexane and ethyl acetate. This gives 1.12 g of a
 20 white solid.
 m.p. (°C): 130°C

10.2. 3-(4-isoquinolin-4-ylbenzyl)-1,3-
 oxazolidine-2,4-dione

1.10 g (4.67 mmol) of (4-isoquinolin-4-ylphenyl)methanol, obtained in step 10.1., are dissolved in 10 ml of chloroform and 1.4 ml (19 mmol) of thionyl chloride are added dropwise. The mixture is stirred at ambient temperature overnight and the filtrate is concentrated to dryness under reduced pressure. The residue is coevaporated with two times 10 ml of dichloroethane. The residue is taken up in 15 ml of tetrahydrofuran. 0.56 g (5.54 mmol) of 1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione are added, followed dropwise by a solution of 1.60 g (13.9 mmol) of 1,1,3,3-tetramethylguanidine in 5 ml of tetrahydrofuran. The mixture is heated at reflux overnight. It is cooled to ambient temperature. 20 ml of iced water and 100 ml of ethyl acetate are added. After they have settled, the phases are separated. The organic phase is washed with three times 10 ml of water and 20 ml of saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution. It is dried over sodium sulphate and the filtrate is concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue is purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 50/50 then 40/60 mixture of cyclohexane and ethyl acetate. This gives 0.84 g of product in the form of a solid yellow foam.

m.p. (°C): 65°C.

10.3. 2-amino-2-oxoethyl 4-isoquinolin-4-ylbenzylcarbamate

0.34 g (1.06 mmol) of 3-(4-isoquinolin-4-ylbenzyl)-1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione, obtained in step 10.2., is dissolved in a mixture of 6 ml of a solution (7N) of ammonia in methanol and 6 ml of tetrahydrofuran. The solution is left at ambient temperature overnight. 10 ml of dichloromethane and 1 g of silica are added and the mixture is concentrated to dryness under reduced pressure, then purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 95/5 then 92/8 mixture of dichloromethane and methanol. The product is recrystallized from a mixture of isopropanol and diisopropyl ether. 0.26 g of product is obtained in the form of a white cottonlike substance.

15 LC-MS: M+H = 336

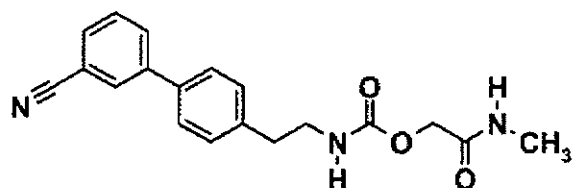
m.p. (°C): 181-183°C

¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆) δ (ppm): 9.3 (s, 1H), 8.4 (s, 1H), 8.2 (d, 1H), 7.9-7 (m, 4H, including 1 exchangeable in D₂O), 7.5 (s, 4H), 7.3 (s, 1H, exchangeable in D₂O), 7.2 (s, 1H), 4.4 (s, 2H), 4.35 (d, 2H, s on exchange in D₂O).

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Example 11 (compound 171)

2-(methylamino)-2-oxoethyl 2-(3'-cyano-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)ethylcarbamate



11.1. 4'-((2-hydroxyethyl)-3-biphenylcarbonitrile

A mixture of 3 g (14.92 mmol) of 2-(4-bromophenyl)ethanol, 2.85 g (19.40 mmol) of 3-cyanophenylboronic acid, 5.15 g (37.30 mmol) of potassium carbonate, 4.81 g (14.92 mmol) of tetra-n-butylammonium bromide and 0.067 g (0.30 mmol) of palladium diacetate in 15 ml of water is heated at 100°C under an argon atmosphere overnight. It is cooled to ambient temperature, diluted with water and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic phase is dried over sodium sulphate and evaporated. It is subsequently purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 70/30 then 50/50 mixture of cyclohexane and ethyl acetate, to give 2.90 g of product in the form of an oil, which is used as it is in the following step.

11.2. 4'-[2-(2,4-dioxo-1,3-oxazolidin-3-yl)ethyl]-3-biphenylcarbonitrile

A solution of 2.90 g (12.99 mmol) of 4'-((2-hydroxyethyl)-3-biphenylcarbonitrile, prepared in step 11.1., 2.7 ml (14.29 mmol) of triethylamine and 0.15 g (1.30 mmol) of 4-dimethylaminopyridine in 30 ml of

dichloromethane, cooled with an ice bath, is admixed with 1.1 ml (14.29 mmol) of methanesulphonyl chloride. The mixture is subsequently stirred at ambient temperature for 2 hours. 100 ml of dichloromethane and 5 30 ml of saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution are added. The organic phase is separated off after settling, dried over sodium sulphate and evaporated to dryness to give 3.5 g of product in the form of an oil. The product is redissolved in 60 ml of tetrahydrofuran, 10 and 1.40 g (13.94 mmol) of 1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione and 2.87 ml (23.23 mmol) of 1,1,3,3-tetramethylguanidine are added. The mixture is heated at 70°C overnight. It is evaporated to dryness. The residue is taken up in a mixture of ethyl acetate and 15 saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution. The organic phase is separated off after settling, dried over sodium sulphate and evaporated to dryness. The residue is purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 60/40 then 50/50 mixture of cyclohexane and 20 ethyl acetate, to give 3.3 g of product in the form of a white solid.

Melting point (°C): 121-123

11.3. 2-(methylamino)-2-oxoethyl 2-(3'-cyano-1,1'-
25 biphenyl-4-yl)ethylcarbamate

2.0 g (6.53 mmol) of 4'-[2-(2,4-dioxo-1,3-oxazolidin-3-yl)ethyl]-3-biphenylcarbonitrile, prepared in step 11.2., are dissolved in a mixture of 13 ml of methanol

and 9.8 ml of a 2N solution of methylamine (19.6 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran. The solution is left to react overnight and then evaporated to dryness and the residue is purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 96/4 then 95/5 mixture of dichloromethane and methanol. The product is recrystallized from a mixture of ethyl acetate and diisopropyl ether to give 1.07 g of product in the form of a white powder.

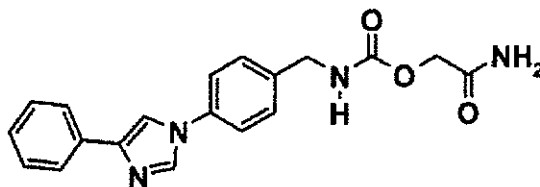
Melting point (°C): 157-159

LC-MS: M+H = 338

¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ (ppm): 7.85 (s, 1H), 7.80 (dt, 1H), 7.65-7.50 (m, 4H), 7.35 (d, 2H), 6.05 (broad s, 1H), 4.95 (broad s, 1H), 4.60 (s, 2H), 3.55 (m, 2H), 2.95 (t, 2H), 2.85 (d, 3H).

Example 12 (compound 84)

2-amino-2-oxoethyl [4-(4-phenyl-1H-imidazol-1-yl)phenyl]methylcarbamate



12.1. [4-(4-phenyl-1H-imidazol-1-yl)phenyl]methanol

3.04 g (20 mmol) of 4-(hydroxymethyl)phenylboronic acid, 1.44 g (10 mmol) of 4-phenylimidazole, 2.8 ml

(20 mmol) of triethylamine and 1.64 ml (20 mmol) of pyridine are dissolved in 20 ml of dimethylformamide. 2.72 g (15 mmol) of copper diacetate are added and the mixture is stirred for 24 hours at ambient temperature. 5 It is diluted with 200 ml of dichloromethane and 200 ml of aqueous 28% ammonia solution. After the phases have settled and been separated, the aqueous phase is extracted with 100 ml of dichloromethane. The organic phases are washed with 50 ml of saturated aqueous 10 sodium chloride solution, dried over sodium sulphate and evaporated to dryness. The product is purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 97/3 then 95/5 mixture of dichloromethane and methanol. The product is recrystallized from a mixture of toluene and 15 diisopropyl ether, to give 1.82 g of product in the form of white crystals.

Melting point (°C): 137-139

12.2. 2-amino-2-oxoethyl [4-(4-phenyl-1H-imidazol-
20 1-yl)phenyl]methylcarbamate

A solution of 1.0 g (4 mmol) of [4-(4-phenyl-1H-imidazol-1-yl)phenyl]methanol, prepared in step 12.1., 0.485 g (4.80 mmol) of 1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione and 1.15 g (4.38 mmol) of triphenylphosphine in 16 ml of 25 tetrahydrofuran, cooled by a bath of acetone and ice, is admixed dropwise with 0.80 g (4 mmol) of diisopropyl azodicarboxylate in solution in 2 ml of tetrahydrofuran. The mixture is subsequently warmed to

ambient temperature again and stirred overnight. 9 ml of the solution are taken, to which are added 12 ml of a 7N ammonia solution (84 mmol) in methanol. The mixture is left to react overnight, admixed with 4 g of silica and evaporated to dryness. The product is purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 95/5 then 93/7 and 90/10 mixture of dichloromethane and methanol. The product is recrystallized from a mixture of methanol and diisopropyl ether, to give 0.429 g of product in the form of white crystals.

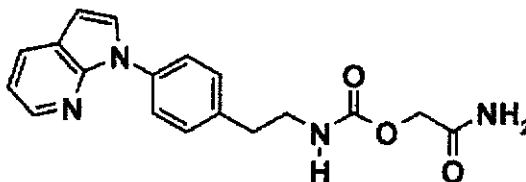
melting point (°C): 200-203

LC-MS: M+H = 351

¹H NMR (DMSO) δ (ppm): 8.30 (s, 1H), 8.20 (s, 1H), 7.80 (d+m, 3H), 7.65 (d, 2H), 7.45-7.20 (m, 7H), 4.35 (s, 2H), 4.25 (d, 2H).

Example 13 (compound 224)

2-amino-2-oxoethyl 2-[4-(1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridin-1-yl)phenyl]ethylcarbamate



13.1. 2-[4-(1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridin-1-yl)phenyl]ethanol

A mixture of 1.24 g (5 mmol) of 2-(4-iodophenyl)ethanol, 0.62 g (5.25 mmol) of 7-azaindole, 2.33 g (11.0 mmol) of potassium phosphate, 0.082 g (1.0 mmol) of N,N'-dimethylethylenediamine and 5 0.095 g (0.50 mmol) of cuprous iodide in 4 ml of toluene is heated at 80°C overnight with thorough stirring under an argon atmosphere. The mixture is cooled to ambient temperature and diluted with 150 ml of ethyl acetate and 50 ml of water. After the phases 10 have settled and been separated, the organic phase is washed with 25 ml of water and 25 ml of saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution. It is dried over sodium sulphate and evaporated to dryness. The residue is purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting 15 with a 70/30 then 60/40 and 50/50 mixture of cyclohexane and ethyl acetate, to give 1.05 g of product in the form of an oil.

13.2. 3-{2-[4-(1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridin-1-yl)phenyl]ethyl}-1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione

A solution of 1.0 g (4.20 mmol) of 2-[4-(1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridin-1-yl)phenyl]ethanol, prepared in step 13.1., 0.51 g (5.04 mmol) of 1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione and 1.21 g (4.62 mmol) of triphenylphosphine in 25 16 ml of tetrahydrofuran, cooled by a bath of acetone and ice, is admixed dropwise with 0.84 g (4.2 mmol) of diisopropyl azodicarboxylate in solution in 2 ml of tetrahydrofuran. The mixture is subsequently heated to

ambient temperature again and stirred overnight. 4 g of silica are added and the mixture is evaporated to dryness. The residue is purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 70/30 then 60/40 then 50/50 and 40/60 mixture of cyclohexane and ethyl acetate, to give 1.52 g of product in the form of a sticky solid, which is used as it is in the following step.

13.3. 2-amino-2-oxoethyl 2-[4-1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridin-1-yl]phenyl]ethylcarbamate
0.80 g (2.49 mmol) of 3-{2-[4-(1H-pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridin-1-yl]phenyl]ethyl}-1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione, prepared in step 13.2., is dissolved in 6 ml of tetrahydrofuran, and 12 ml of a 7N solution of ammonia (84 mmol) in methanol are added. The mixture is left to react overnight at ambient temperature. 2.5 g of silica are added and the mixture is evaporated to dryness. The residue is purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 98/2 then 96/4 and 94/6 mixture of dichloromethane and methanol. The product is recrystallized from a mixture of ethyl acetate and diisopropyl ether, to give 0.478 g of product in the form of white flakes.

Melting point (°C): 110-112

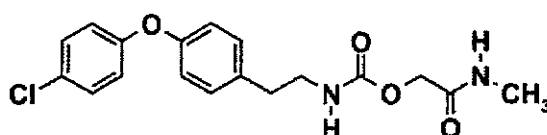
LC-MS: M+H = 339

¹H NMR (DMSO) δ (ppm): 8.30 (dd, 1H), 8.05 (d, 1H), 7.90 (d, 1H), 7.80 (d, 2H), 7.30 (d+m, 3H), 7.25-7.10

(m, 3H), 6.70 (d, 1H), 4.30 (s, 2H), 3.25 (broad t, 2H), 2.80 (t, 2H)

Example 14 (compound 196)

5 2-(methylamino)-2-oxoethyl 2-{4-[(4-chlorophenyl)oxy]phenyl}ethylcarbamate



10 14.1. 2-(4-[(4-chlorophenyl)oxy]phenyl)ethanol
A mixture of 1.14 g (4.60 mmol) of
2-(4-iodophenyl)ethanol, 0.88 g (6.89 mmol) of 4-
chlorophenol, 2.99 g (9.20 mmol) of caesium carbonate,
0.14 g (1.38 mmol) of N,N-dimethylglycine and 0.087 g
15 (0.46 mmol) of cuprous iodide in 4 ml of dioxane is
heated at 90°C for 24 hours with thorough stirring
under an argon atmosphere. It is cooled to ambient
temperature and taken up in 150 ml of ethyl acetate and
50 ml of water. After the phases have settled and been
20 separated, the organic phase is washed with 25 ml of
water and 25 ml of saturated aqueous sodium chloride
solution, dried over magnesium sulphate and evaporated
to dryness. The residue is purified by chromatography
on silica gel, eluting with an 85/15 then 75/25 mixture
25 of cyclohexane and ethyl acetate, to give 0.68 g of
product in the form of an oil.

14.2. 3-(2-(4-[(4-chlorophenyl)oxy]phenyl)ethyl)-
1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione

A solution of 1.0 g (4.02 mmol) of 2-(4-[(4-
5 chlorophenyl)oxy]phenyl)ethanol, prepared in accordance
with Example 14.1., and 1.1 ml (7.89 mmol) of
triethylamine in 12 ml of dichloromethane, cooled by an
ice bath, is admixed with a solution of 0.60 g
(5.24 mmol) of methanesulphonyl chloride in 2 ml of
10 dichloromethane. The combined solutions are
subsequently stirred at ambient temperature for
2 hours. They are diluted with 25 ml of water and 75 ml
of dichloromethane. After the phases have settled and
been separated, the organic phase is washed with 25 ml
15 of water then 25 ml of saturated aqueous sodium
chloride solution, dried over sodium sulphate and
evaporated to dryness, to give 1.32 g of product in the
form of an oil.

The product is redissolved in 12 ml of tetrahydrofuran.
20 0.50 g (5 mmol) of 1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione and a
solution of 0.92 g (8.0 mmol) of 1,1,3,3-
tetramethylguanidine in solution in 4 ml of
tetrahydrofuran are added. The mixture is subsequently
heated at reflux overnight. It is cooled with an ice
25 bath and 25 ml of an aqueous 0.1N solution of
hydrochloric acid and 100 ml of ethyl acetate are
added. After the phases have settled, the organic phase
is separated off and washed with two times 25 ml of

water then with 25 ml of saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution, dried over sodium sulphate and evaporated to dryness. The residue is purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with an 85/15 then 75/25 and 65/35 mixture of cyclohexane and ethyl acetate, to give 1.20 g of product in the form of a white solid.

Melting point (°C): 105-107

10 14.3. 2-(methylamino)-2-oxoethyl 2-{4-[(4-chlorophenyl)oxy]phenyl}ethylcarbamate
0.46 g (1.39 mmol) of 3-(2-(4-[(4-chlorophenyl)oxy]phenyl)ethyl)-1,3-oxazolidine-2,4-dione, prepared in step 14.2., is redissolved in a
15 mixture of 3 ml of tetrahydrofuran and 6 ml of methanol. 3 ml of a 2M solution of methylamine (6 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran are added. The mixture is left to react at ambient temperature overnight and then 2 g of silica are added and the mixture is evaporated to
20 dryness. The residue is purified by chromatography on silica gel, eluting with a 98/2 then 96/4 and 94/6 mixture of dichloromethane and methanol. The product is recrystallized from a mixture of ethyl acetate and diisopropyl ether, to give 0.40 g of product in the
25 form of a white powder.

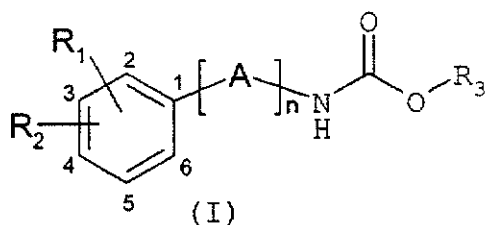
Melting point (°C): 133-135

LC-MS: M+H = 363

^1H NMR (DMSO) δ (ppm): 7.70 (m, 1H), 7.40 (d, 2H), 7.25 (d+m, 3H), 6.95 (m, 4H), 4.30 (s, 2H), 3.25 (m, 2H), 2.70 (t, 2H), 2.55 (d, 3H)

- 5 Table 1 which follows illustrates the chemical structures and physical properties of some compounds according to the invention. In this table:
- all the compounds are in the free base form;
 - i-propyl, n-butyl and t-butyl represent isopropyl,
- 10 linear butyl and tertiary butyl groups, respectively.

Table 1



No.	[A] _n	R ₁	R ₂	R ₃	m.p. (°C)
1.	CH ₂	H	4-phenyl	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	189-190
2.	CH ₂	H	3-phenyl	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	128-129
3.	CH ₂	H	4-phenyl	CH ₂ CONH ₂	222-223
4.	CH ₂	H	4-(2-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	176-177
5.	CH ₂	H	3-(2-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	113-114
6.	CH ₂	H	4-(3-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	201-202
7.	CH ₂	H	3-(3-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	89-90
8.	CH ₂	H	4-(4-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	226-227
9.	CH ₂	2-Cl	4-(4-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	170-172
10.	CH(CH ₃)	H	4-(4-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	179-181
11.	CH ₂	H	3-(4-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	100-101
12.	CH ₂	H	4-(2-Cl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	148-149
13.	CH ₂	H	4-(3-Cl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	187-188
14.	CH ₂	H	4-(4-Cl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	216-218
15.	CH ₂	H	4-(2-CF ₃ -phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	178-179
16.	CH ₂	H	4-(3-CF ₃ -phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	153-154
17.	CH ₂	H	4-(4-CF ₃ -phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	213-215
18.	CH ₂	H	4-(2-CF ₃ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	177-179
19.	CH ₂	H	4-(3-CF ₃ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	167-168
20.	CH ₂	H	4-(4-CF ₃ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	218-220
21.	CH ₂	H	4-(4-CN-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	221-222
22.	CH ₂	H	4-(3-CN-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	126-127
23.	CH ₂	H	4-(2-CH ₃ CO-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	184-185
24.	CH ₂	H	4-(3-CH ₃ CO-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	142-145
25.	CH ₂	H	4-(4-CH ₃ CO-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	231-233
26.	CH ₂	H	4-(4-CH ₃ SO ₂ -phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	233-235
27.	CH ₂	H	4-(4-CH ₃ CONH-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	342*

No.	[A] _n	R ₁	R ₂	R ₃	m.p. (°C)
28.	CH ₂	H	4-(3-CH ₃ CONH - phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	189-190
29.	CH ₂	H	3-(3-CH ₃ CONH - phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	144-145
30.	CH ₂	H	4-(3-CH ₃ -phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	184-185
31.	CH ₂	H	4-(4-CH ₃ -phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	229-231
32.	CH ₂	H	4-(4-C ₂ H ₅ -phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	239-240
33.	CH ₂	H	4-(3-i-propyl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	154-155
34.	CH ₂	H	4-(4-i-propyl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	223-224
35.	CH ₂	H	4-(4-t-butyl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	189-190
36.	CH ₂	H	4-(4-n-butyl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	222-223
37.	CH ₂	H	4-(3-phenyl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	182-183
38.	CH ₂	H	4-(2-CH ₃ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	153-154
39.	CH ₂	H	4-(2-CH ₃ S-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	128-129
40.	CH ₂	H	3-(2-CH ₃ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	148-149
41.	CH ₂	H	4-(3-CH ₃ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	140-141
42.	CH ₂	H	3-(3-CH ₃ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	315*
43.	CH ₂	H	4-(4-CH ₃ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	229-230
44.	CH ₂	H	3-(4-CH ₃ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	134-135
45.	CH ₂	H	4-(3-C ₂ H ₅ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	234-236
46.	CH ₂	H	4-(4-C ₂ H ₅ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	233-234
47.	CH ₂	H	4-(3-benzyloxy-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	175-176
48.	CH ₂	H	4-(4-benzyloxy-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	229-231
49.	CH ₂	H	4-(2-F,5-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	180-182
50.	CH ₂	H	4-(3-F,4-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	236-237
51.	CH ₂	H	4-(3-F,5-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	174-176
52.	CH ₂	H	4-(2-Cl,3-Cl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	170-171
53.	CH ₂	H	4-(2-Cl,4-Cl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	116-117
54.	CH ₂	H	4-(2-Cl,5-Cl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	119-122
55.	CH ₂	H	4-(3-Cl,4-Cl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	173-176
56.	CH ₂	H	4-(3-Cl,5-Cl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	161-162
57.	CH ₂	H	4-(2-F,3-CH ₃ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	114-115
58.	CH ₂	H	4-(3-F,4-CH ₃ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	225-226
59.	CH ₂	H	4-(4-F,3-CH ₃ -phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	201-202

No.	[A] _n	R ₁	R ₂	R ₃	m.p. (°C)
60.	CH ₂	H	4-(4-F,3-Cl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	158-159
61.	CH ₂	H	4-(2,4-(CH ₃ O) ₂ -phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	166-167
62.	CH ₂	H	4-(2,5-(CH ₃ O) ₂ -phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	132-133
63.	CH ₂	H	4-(3,4-OCH ₂ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	329*
64.	CH ₂	H	4-(3,4-(CH ₃) ₂ -phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	190-191
65.	CH ₂	H	4-(3-CF ₃ ,5-CF ₃ -phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	176-177
66.	CH ₂	H	4-(5-Cl,2-CH ₃ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	145-146
67.	CH ₂	H	4-phenyloxy	CH ₂ CONH ₂	166-168
68.	CH ₂	H	4-phenyloxy	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	128-130
69.	CH ₂	H	4-(4-Cl-phenyloxy)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	184-186
70.	CH ₂	H	4-(4-Cl-phenyloxy)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	159-161
71.	CH ₂	H	3-phenyloxy	CH ₂ CONH ₂	106-107
72.	CH ₂	H	3-phenyloxy	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	100-102
73.	CH ₂	H	3-(4-Cl-phenyloxy)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	110-112
74.	CH ₂	H	3-(4-Cl-phenyloxy)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	85-87
75.	CH ₂	H	4-benzoyl	CH ₂ CONH ₂	161-163
76.	CH ₂	H	4-benzoyl	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	149-151
77.	CH ₂	H	3-benzoyl	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	91-93
78.	CH ₂	H	4-phenylsulphonyl	CH ₂ CONH ₂	88-90
79.	CH ₂	H	4-phenylsulphonyl	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	363*
80.	CH ₂	H	4-(pyridin-3-yl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	160-162
81.	CH ₂	H	4-(pyridin-2-yl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	151-153
82.	CH ₂	H	4-(pyrazin-2-yl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	186-189
83.	CH ₂	H	4-(thien-3-yl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	311-312
84.	CH ₂	H	4-phenylimidazol-1-yl	CH ₂ CONH ₂	200-203
85.	CH ₂	H	4-phenylimidazol-1-yl	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	191-193
86.	CH ₂	H	3-phenylimidazol-1-yl	CH ₂ CONH ₂	170-172
87.	CH ₂	H	4-(4-CH ₃ -thien-2-yl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	203-204
88.	CH ₂	H	4-(benzo[b]thien-3-yl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	144-145
89.	CH ₂	H	4-(3,5-(CH ₃) ₂ -isoxazol-4-yl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	164-165
90.	CH ₂	H	4-(1,2,3-thiadiazol-4-yl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	185-187

No.	[A] _n	R ₁	R ₂	R ₃	m.p. (°C)
91.	CH ₂	H	4-(dibenzo[b,d]furan-2-yl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	194-195
92.	CH ₂	H	4-(2-phenyl-ethylen-1-yl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	236-238
93.	CH ₂	H	4-(naphth-1-yl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	154-156
94.	CH ₂	H	4-(4-CH ₃ -(naphth-1-yl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	114-115
95.	CH ₂	H	4-(naphth-2-yl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	240-241
96.	CH ₂	H	4-(quinolin-8-yl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	140-142
97.	CH ₂	H	4-(isoquinolin-1-yl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	180-183
98.	CH ₂	H	4-(isoquinolin-4-yl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	181-183
99.	CH ₂	H	4-(isoquinolin-4-yl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	187-189
100.	CH ₂	H	4-(benzimidazol-1-yl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	208-211
101.	CH ₂	H	4-(pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridinyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	113-116
102.	CH ₂	H	3-(pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridinyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	130-132
103.	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	H	CH ₂ CONH ₂	130-131
104.	(CH ₂) ₃	H	H	CH ₂ CONH ₂	113-114
105.	(CH ₂) ₃	H	4-phenyl	CH ₂ CONH ₂	187-189
106.	(CH ₂) ₃	H	3-phenyl	CH ₂ CONH ₂	151-153
107.	(CH ₂) ₄	H	H	CH ₂ CONH ₂	251*
108.	(CH ₂) ₄	H	4-phenyl	CH ₂ CONH ₂	171-173
109.	(CH ₂) ₄	H	3-phenyl	CH ₂ CONH ₂	127-129
110.	(CH ₂) ₅	H	H	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	86-88
111.	(CH ₂) ₅	H	4-phenyl	CH ₂ CONH ₂	225-227
112.	(CH ₂) ₅	H	3-phenyl	CH ₂ CONH ₂	135-137
113.	(CH ₂) ₆	H	H	CH ₂ CONH ₂	109-111
114.	(CH ₂) ₆	H	H	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	70-72
115.	(CH ₂) ₇	H	H	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	83-85
116.	4-cyclohexyl(CH ₂) ₂	H	H	CH ₂ CONH ₂	141-142
117.	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	2-Cl	CH ₂ CONH ₂	89-90
118.	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	3-Cl	CH ₂ CONH ₂	79-80
119.	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-Cl	CH ₂ CONH ₂	124-125
120.	CH ₂ CH ₂	2-Cl	4-Cl	CH ₂ CONH ₂	104-105
121.	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-F	CH ₂ CONH ₂	132-133
122.	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-CH ₃	CH ₂ CONH ₂	159-160

No.	[A] _n	R ₁	R ₂	R ₃	m.p. (°C)
123	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-Br	CH ₂ CONH ₂	162-163
124	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	3-CF ₃	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	96-98
125	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-CF ₃	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	140-142
126	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-CF ₃ O	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	126-127
127	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-OH	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	98-99
128	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-CH ₃ O	CH ₂ CONH ₂	133-134
129	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-CH ₃ O	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	101-102
130	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-CH ₃ O	CH ₂ CONHCH ₂ CH ₃	95-96
131	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	3-CH ₃ O	CH ₂ CONH ₂	86-87
132	CH ₂ CH ₂	4-CH ₃ O	3-CH ₃ O	CH ₂ CONH ₂	110-111
133	CH ₂ CH ₂	5-CH ₃ O	2-CH ₃ O	CH ₂ CONH ₂	140-141
134	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	2-CH ₃ O	CH ₂ CONH ₂	100-101
135	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-phenyl	CH ₂ CONH ₂	187-188
136	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-phenyl	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	158-159
137	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-phenyl	CH ₂ CONHCH ₂ CH ₃	152-153
138	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(2-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	106-107
139	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	157-158
140	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(4-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	182-184
141	CH ₂ CH ₂	2-F	4-(4-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	164-166
142	CH ₂ CH ₂	2-Cl	4-(4-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	141-143
143	C(CH ₃) ₂ C H ₂	H	4-(4-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	134-136
144	C(CH ₃) ₂ C H ₂	H	4-(4-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	112-114
145	C[CH ₂ CH ₂] CH ₂	H	4-(4-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	139-141
146	C[CH ₂ CH ₂] CH ₂	H	4-(4-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	152-154
147	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(2-Cl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	148-149
148	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-Cl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	181-182
149	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(4-Cl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	198-200
150	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(4-Cl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	186-188
151	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(2-CH ₃ -phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	108-109
152	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-CH ₃ -phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	126-127
153	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(4-CH ₃ -phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	171-172
154	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(4-CH ₃ CH ₂ -phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	166-167
155	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-i-propyl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	355*
156	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-i-propyl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₂ CH ₃	103-104

No.	[A] _n	R ₁	R ₂	R ₃	m.p. (°C)
157	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(4-n-butyl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	168-169
158	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(4-t-butyl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	174-175
159	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(2-CH ₃ S-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	359*
160	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(2-CH ₃ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	111-112
161	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-CH ₃ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	343*
162	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(4-CH ₃ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	182-183
163	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-CH ₃ CH ₂ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	105-106
164	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(2-phenyloxy-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	405*
165	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(2-benzyloxy-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	112-113
166	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(4-CF ₃ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	170-171
167	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-CF ₃ -phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	131-132
168	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(4-CF ₃ -phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	198-199
169	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(4-CN-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	196-198
170	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-CN-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	184-186
171	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-CN-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	157-159
172	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-CH ₃ CO-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	102-103
173	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(4-CH ₃ O ₂ C-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	184-185
174	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-NO ₂ -phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	163-164
175	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(4-(CH ₃) ₂ N-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	170-171
176	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(2-Cl,3-Cl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	149-150
177	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(2-Cl,4-Cl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	132-134
178	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(2-Cl,4-Cl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	147-149
179	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(2-Cl,4-Cl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₂ CH ₃	164-166
180	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-Cl,4-Cl-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	163-164
181	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(2-CH ₃ O,4-CH ₃ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	134-135
182	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(2-CH ₃ O,5-CH ₃ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	373*
183	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(2-CH ₃ O,6-CH ₃ O ₂ -phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	148-149
184	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-CH ₃ O,4-CH ₃ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	108-109
185	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-CH ₃ O,4-CH ₃ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	132-133
186	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3,4-(OCH ₂ O)-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	165-166
187	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-CH ₃ ,4-CH ₃ -	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	144-145

No.	[A] _n	R ₁	R ₂	R ₃	m.p. (°C)
			phenyl)		
188	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-CF ₃ ,5-CF ₃ -phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	136-137
189	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(2-F,3-CH ₃ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	130-131
190	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(5-Cl,2-CH ₃ O-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	106-107
191	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-Cl,4-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	151-153
192	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-Cl,4-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	178-180
193	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-CH ₃ ,4-F-phenyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	155-156
194	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-phenyloxy	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	111-113
195	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(4-Cl-phenyloxy)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	156-158
196	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(4-Cl-phenyloxy)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	133-135
197	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	3-phenyloxy	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	82-84
198	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(2-F-benzyloxy)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	112-113
199	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-F-benzyloxy)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	127-128
200	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(4-F-benzyloxy)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	129-130
201	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(2-CH ₃ -benzyloxy)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	103-104
202	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-CH ₃ -benzyloxy)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	112-113
203	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(4-CH ₃ -benzyloxy)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	135-136
204	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(2-CF ₃ -benzyloxy)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	110-111
205	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-CF ₃ -benzyloxy)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	103-104
206	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(4-CF ₃ -benzyloxy)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	127-128
207	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-CH ₃ O-benzyloxy)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	92-93
208	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(4-CH ₃ O ₂ C-benzyloxy)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	145-146
209	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(3-phenylpropyl-1-oxy)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	110-111
210	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(pyridin-2-yl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	140-142
211	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(pyridin-3-yl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	134-136
212	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(pyridin-4-yl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	206-208
213	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(pyrimidin-5-yl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	240-242
214	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(furan-2-yl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	150-151
215	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(thien-2-yl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	157-158
216	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(thien-3-yl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	174-175
217	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(benzo[b]thien-3-yl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	124-125
218	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(2-CH ₃ O,4-CH ₃ O-pyrimidin-5-yl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	142-143

No.	[A] _n	R ₁	R ₂	R ₃	m.p. (°C)
219	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(quinolin-2-yl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	214-216
220	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(quinolin-4-yl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	181-183
221	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(quinolin-8-yl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	130-131
222	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(isoquinolin-1-yl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	138-140
223	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(isoquinolin-4-yl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	193-195
224	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridinyl)	CH ₂ CONH ₂	110-112
225	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	4-(pyrrolo[2,3-b]pyridinyl)	CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	124-126

* M+H (LC-MS)

The compounds of the invention were subjected to pharmacological tests permitting determination of their inhibitory effect on the enzyme FAAH (Fatty Acid Amide Hydrolase).

The inhibitory activity was demonstrated in a radioenzymatic assay based on measuring the product of hydrolysis (ethanolamine [1-³H]) of anandamide [ethanolamine 1-³H] by FAAH (*Life Sciences* (1995), 56, 1999-2005 and *Journal of Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics* (1997), 283, 729-734). Accordingly, mouse brains (minus the cerebellum) are removed and stored at -80°C. Membrane homogenates are prepared at the time of use by homogenizing the tissues in a Polytron in a 10 mM Tris HCl buffer (pH 8.0) containing 150 mM NaCl and 1 mM EDTA. The enzyme reaction is subsequently conducted in 70-μl of buffer, containing bovine serum albumin without fatty acids (1 mg/ml). In succession, the test compounds, at various concentrations,

anandamide [ethanolamine 1-³H] (specific activity: 15-20 Ci/mmol) diluted to 10 μ M with cold anandamide, and the membrane preparation (400 μ g of frozen tissue per assay) are added. After 15 minutes at 25°C, the enzyme
5 reaction is terminated by adding 140 μ l of chloroform/methanol (2:1). The mixture is stirred for 10 minutes then centrifuged for 15 minutes at 3500 g. An aliquot (30 μ l) of the aqueous phase, containing the ethanolamine [1-³H], is counted by liquid scintillation.
10 Under these conditions, the most active compounds of the invention exhibit IC₅₀ values (concentration inhibiting by 50% the control enzyme activity of FAAH) of between 0.001 and 1 μ m.

Table 2 below presents the IC₅₀ values of some
15 compounds according to the invention.

Table 2

Compound No.	IC ₅₀
192	0.102 μ M
171	0.108 μ M
194	0.142 μ M
150	0.063 μ M
178	0.140 μ M

It is therefore apparent that the compounds
20 according to the invention have an inhibitory effect on the FAAH enzyme.

The *in vivo* activity of the compounds of the invention was evaluated in an analgesia test. Accordingly, intraperitoneal (i.p.) administration of PBQ (phenylbenzoquinone, 2 mg/kg in a 0.9% sodium chloride solution containing 5% of ethanol) to male OF1 mice weighing 25 to 30 g causes abdominal stretches, on average 30 twists or contractions during the period from 5 to 15 minutes after injection. The test compounds are administered orally in suspension in Tween 80 at 0.5%, 60 minutes or 120 minutes before the administration of PBQ. Under these conditions, the most potent compounds of the invention reduce by 35 to 70% the number of stretches induced by PBQ, within a dose range of between 1 and 30 mg/kg.

Table 3 below presents the results of the analgesia test for some compounds according to the invention.

Table 3

Compound No.	Reduction in number of stretches (%)
192	- 43% (a)
171	- 51% (a)
194	- 55% (b)
150	- 57% (b)
178	- 53% (b)

(a) 1 mg/kg p.o. at 2 hours;

(b) 3 mg/kg p.o. at 1 hour

The enzyme FAAH (*Chemistry and Physics of Lipids*, (2000), 108, 107-121) catalyses the hydrolysis of endogenous derivatives of amides and of esters of various fatty acids such as *N*-arachidonoylethanolamine (anandamide), *N*-palmitoylethanolamine, *N*-oleoylethanolamine, oleamide or 2-arachidonoylglycerol. These derivatives exert various pharmacological activities by interacting, inter alia, with cannabinoid and vanilloid receptors.

10 The compounds of the invention block this degradation pathway and increase the tissue level of these endogenous substances. They can be used in this respect in the prevention and treatment of pathologies in which endogenous cannabinoids and/or any other substrates

15 metabolized by the FAAH enzyme are involved.

Mention may be made, for example, of the following diseases and conditions:

Pain, especially acute or chronic pain of the neurogenic type: migraine, neuropathic pain, including

20 forms associated with the herpes virus and with diabetes;

acute or chronic pain associated with inflammatory diseases: arthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, osteoarthritis, spondylitis, gout, vasculitis, Crohn's

25 disease, irritable bowel syndrome;

acute or chronic peripheral pain;

dizziness, vomiting, nausea, especially those subsequent to chemotherapy;

eating disorders, especially anorexia and cachexia of various kinds;

neurological and psychiatric pathologies: shaking, dyskinesia, dystonia, spasticity, obsessive-compulsive
 5 behaviour, Tourette's syndrome, all forms of depression and anxiety of any kind and cause, mood disorders, psychoses;

acute and chronic neurodegenerative diseases:

Parkinson's disease, Alzheimer's disease, senile
 10 dementia, Huntington's chorea, lesions associated with cerebral ischaemia and with cranial and with medullary trauma;

epilepsy;

sleep disorders, including sleep apnoea;

15 cardiovascular diseases, especially hypertension, cardiac arrhythmias, arteriosclerosis, heart attack, cardiac ischaemias;

renal ischaemia;

cancers: benign skin tumours, papillomas and brain
 20 tumours, prostate tumours, brain tumours (glioblastomas, medulloepitheliomas, medulloblastomas, neuroblastomas, tumours of embryonic origin, astrocytomas, astroblastomas, ependyomas, oligodendrogliomas, plexus tumour, neuroepitheliomas,
 25 epiphyseal tumour, ependymoblastomas, malignant meningiomas, sarcomatoses, malignant melanomas, schwannomas);

disorders of the immune system, especially autoimmune diseases; psoriasis, lupus erythematosus, diseases of the connective tissue or collagen diseases, Sjögren's syndrome, ankylosing spondylarthritis, undifferentiated
5 spondylarthritis, Behcet's disease, haemolytic autoimmune anaemias, multiple sclerosis, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, amyloses, transplant rejection, diseases affecting the plasmocytic line; allergic diseases: immediate or delayed
10 hypersensitivity, allergic rhinitis or conjunctivitis, contact dermatitis; parasitic, viral or bacterial infectious diseases: AIDS, meningitis; inflammatory diseases, especially diseases of the joints: arthritis, rheumatoid
15 arthritis, osteoarthritis, spondylitis, gout, vasculitis, Crohn's disease, irritable bowel syndrome, osteoporosis; ocular conditions; ocular hypertension, glaucoma; pulmonary conditions: diseases of the respiratory
20 tracts, bronchospasms, coughing, asthma, chronic bronchitis, chronic obstruction of the respiratory tracts, emphysema; gastrointestinal diseases: irritable bowel syndrome, intestinal inflammatory disorders, ulcers, diarrhoea;
25 urinary incontinence and bladder inflammation.

The use of a compound of formula (I), in base, salt, hydrate or pharmaceutically acceptable solvate form, for preparing a medicinal product

intended for treating the abovementioned pathologies forms an integral part of the invention.

The invention additionally relates to medicinal products which comprise a compound of formula (I), or a salt, or else a hydrate or a pharmaceutically acceptable solvate of the compound of formula (I). These medicinal products are employed in therapy, particularly in the treatment of the abovementioned pathologies.

10 In accordance with another of its aspects the present invention relates to pharmaceutical compositions comprising as active principle at least one compound according to the invention. These pharmaceutical compositions contain an effective dose
15 of a compound according to the invention, or a salt, or a hydrate, or a pharmaceutically acceptable solvate of the said compound, and optionally one or more pharmaceutically acceptable excipients.

The said excipients are selected, in
20 accordance with the pharmaceutical form and desired mode of administration, from the customary excipients, which are known to the person skilled in the art. In the pharmaceutical compositions of the present invention for oral, sublingual, subcutaneous,
25 intramuscular, intravenous, topical, local, intrathecal, intranasal, transdermal, pulmonary, ocular or rectal administration, the active principle of formula (I) above, or its salt, solvate or hydrate

where appropriate, may be administered in single-dose administration form, as a mixture with conventional pharmaceutical excipients, to animals and to humans for the prophylaxis or treatment of the above disorders or
 5 diseases.

The unit-dose administration forms which are appropriate include oral forms such as tablets, soft or hard gelatin capsules, powders, granules, chewing gums and oral solutions or suspensions, forms for
 10 sublingual, buccal, intratracheal, intraocular and intranasal administration and for administration by inhalation, forms for subcutaneous, intramuscular or intravenous administration and forms for rectal or vaginal administration. For topical application the
 15 compounds according to the invention can be used in creams, ointments or lotions.

By way of example, a single-dose administration form of a compound according to the invention in tablet form may comprise the following components:

Compound according to the invention	50.0 mg
Mannitol	223.75 mg
Sodium croscarmellose	6.0 mg
Maize starch	15.0 mg
Hydroxypropylmethylcellulose	2.25 mg
Magnesium stearate	3.0 mg

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The said single-dose forms contain a dose permitting daily administration of from 0.01 to 20 mg

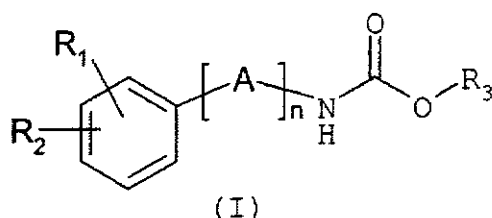
of active principle per kg of body weight, depending on the pharmaceutical form.

There may be particular cases in which higher or lower doses are appropriate; such doses also belong
5 to the invention. In accordance with customary practice, the dose appropriate to each patient is determined by the doctor according to the method of administration, the weight and the response of the said patient.

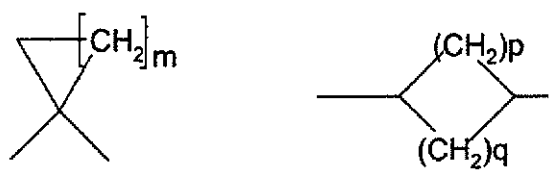
10 According to another of its aspects, the invention also relates to a method of treating the pathologies indicated above, which comprises administering an effective dose of a compound according to the invention, one of its pharmaceutically
15 acceptable salts, or a solvate or a hydrate of the said compound.

Claims

1. Compound of the formula (I)



- 5 in which
- n represents an integer ranging from 1 to 7;
- A is selected from one or more groups X, Y and/or Z;
- X represents a C₁₋₂-alkylene group optionally substituted by one or more C₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl or
- 10 C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene groups;
- Y represents either a C₂-alkenylene group optionally substituted by one or more C₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl or C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene groups; or a C₂-alkynylene group;
- 15 Z represents a C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl group of formula:



- m represents an integer ranging from 1 to 5;
- p and q represent integers and are defined such that p+q is a number ranging from 1 to 5;
- 20 R₁ represents a hydrogen or halogen atom or a hydroxy, cyano, nitro, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, C₁₋₄-thioalkyl,

C₁₋₄-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkoxy or C₁₋₄-fluorothioalkyl group;

R₂ represents

a hydrogen or halogen atom or

- 5 a cyano, nitro, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, C₁₋₄-thioalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkoxy, C₁₋₄-fluorothioalkyl group, or
- a group selected from in particular a phenyl, naphthyl, biphenyl, phenylethylenyl, naphthylethylenyl,
- 10 pyridinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl, pyridazinyl, triazinyl, indanyl, indenyl, quinolinyl, isoquinolinyl, quinazolinyl, quinoxalinyl, phthalazinyl, cinnolinyl, thienyl, furanyl, pyrrolyl, imidazolyl, pyrazolyl, oxazolyl, thiazolyl, isoxazolyl, isothiazolyl,
- 15 thiadiazolyl, oxadiazolyl, triazolyl, phenylimidazolyl, benzothienyl, benzofuranyl, dibenzofuranyl, benzimidazolyl, benzotriazolyl, indolyl, isoindolyl, indazolyl, benzoxazolyl, benzisoxazolyl, benzothiazolyl, benzisothiazolyl, dihydroindolyl,
- 20 pyrrolopyridinyl, furopyridinyl, thienopyridinyl, imidazopyridinyl, oxazolopyridinyl, thiazolopyridinyl, pyrazolopyridinyl, isoxazolopyridinyl, isothiazolopyridinyl, tetrahydroquinolinyl, tetrahydroisoquinolinyl, phenyloxy, phenylthio,
- 25 phenylsulphonyl, benzoyl, benzyloxy, phenylethoxy, phenylpropoxy, naphthyloxy, naphthylmethoxy, naphthylethoxy, naphthylpropoxy, quinolinoxy and isoquinolinoxy and optionally substituted by one or

more substituents selected from a halogen atom or a cyano, nitro, C₁₋₄-alkyl, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, C₁₋₄-thioalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkoxy, C₁₋₃-fluorothioalkyl, phenyloxy, benzyloxy, piperidinyl, pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl, NR₆R₇, NHCOR₆, COR₆, CO₂R₆, SO₂R₆, -O-(C₁₋₃-alkylene)-O- or 4-piperazinyl group optionally substituted by a C₁₋₃-alkyl or by a benzyl; R₆ and R₇ represent independently of one another a C₁₋₃-alkyl group or a phenyl; and

10 R₃ represents a group of general formula CHR₄CONHR₅ in which

R₄ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁₋₃-alkyl group and R₅ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁₋₃-alkyl, C₃₋₅-cycloalkyl or C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene group,

15 in the form of the base, acid addition salt, hydrate or solvate;

with the exception of 2-amino-2-oxoethyl benzylcarbamate.

2. Compound of formula (I) according to

20 Claim 1, characterized in that:

n represents an integer ranging from 1 to 7;

A is selected from one or more groups X, Y and/or Z;

X represents a C₁₋₂-alkylene group optionally substituted by one or more C₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl or

25 C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene groups;

Y represents either a C₂-alkenylene group optionally substituted by one or more C₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl or

C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene groups; or a C₂-alkynylene group;

Z represents a C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl group of formula:



- 5 m represents an integer ranging from 1 to 5;
 p and q represent integers and are defined such that
 p+q is a number ranging from 1 to 5;
 R₁ represents a hydrogen or halogen atom or a hydroxy,
 cyano, nitro, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, C₁₋₄-thioalkyl,
 10 C₁₋₄-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkoxy or C₁₋₄-fluorothio-
 alkyl group;
 R₂ represents
 a hydrogen or halogen atom or
 a cyano, nitro, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy,
 15 C₁₋₄-thioalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkoxy,
 C₁₋₄-fluorothioalkyl group, or
 a group selected from in particular a phenyl, naphthyl,
 biphenyl, phenylethylenyl, naphthylethylenyl,
 pyridinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl, pyridazinyl,
 20 triazinyl, indanyl, indenyl, quinolinyl, isoquinolinyl,
 quinazolinyl, quinoxalinyl, phthalazinyl, cinnolinyl,
 thienyl, furanyl, pyrrolyl, imidazolyl, pyrazolyl,
 oxazolyl, thiazolyl, isoxazolyl, isothiazolyl,
 thiadiazolyl, oxadiazolyl, triazolyl, phenylimidazolyl,
 25 benzothienyl, benzofuranyl, dibenzofuranyl,

- benzimidazolyl, benzotriazolyl, indolyl, isoindolyl, indazolyl, benzoxazolyl, benzisoxazolyl, benzothiazolyl, benzisothiazolyl, dihydroindolyl, pyrrolopyridinyl, furopyridinyl, thienopyridinyl,
- 5 imidazopyridinyl, oxazolopyridinyl, thiazolopyridinyl, pyrazolopyridinyl, isoxazolopyridinyl, isothiazolopyridinyl, tetrahydroquinolinyl, tetrahydroisoquinolinyl, phenyloxy, phenylthio, phenylsulphonyl, benzoyl, benzyloxy, phenylethoxy,
- 10 phenylpropoxy, naphthyloxy, naphthylmethoxy, naphthylethoxy, naphthylpropoxy, quinolinoxy and isoquinolinoxy and optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from a halogen atom and a cyano, nitro, C₁₋₄-alkyl, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkoxy,
- 15 C₁₋₄-thioalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkoxy, C₁₋₃-fluorothioalkyl, phenyloxy, benzyloxy, piperidinyl, pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl, NR₆R₇, NHCOR₆, COR₆, CO₂R₆, SO₂R₆, -O-(C₁₋₃-alkylene)-O- or 4-piperazinyl group optionally substituted by a C₁₋₃-alkyl or by a benzyl;
- 20 R₆ and R₇ represent independently of one another a C₁₋₃-alkyl group or a phenyl; and
- R₃ represents a group of general formula CHR₄CONHR₅ in which
- R₄ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁₋₃-alkyl group and
- 25 R₅ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁₋₃-alkyl, C₃₋₅-cycloalkyl or C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene group;

with the proviso that if R_1 and R_2 represent a hydrogen atom and A is a group X, X being a methylene, then n is other than 1;

in the form of the base, acid addition salt, hydrate or
5 solvate.

3. Compound of formula (I) according to Claim 1 or 2, characterized in that:

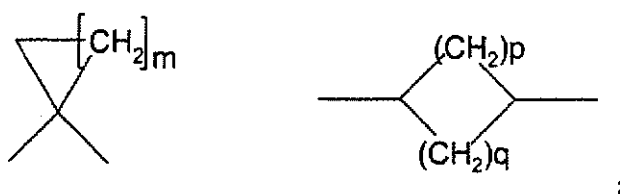
- when n is 1:

A is selected from one or more groups X, Y and/or Z;

10 X represents a C_{1-2} -alkylene group optionally substituted by one or more C_{1-12} -alkyl, C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl or C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl- C_{1-6} -alkylene groups;

Y represents either a C_2 -alkenylene group optionally substituted by one or more C_{1-12} -alkyl, C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl or
15 C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl- C_{1-6} -alkylene groups; or a C_2 -alkynylene group;

Z represents a C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl group of formula:



m represents an integer ranging from 1 to 5;

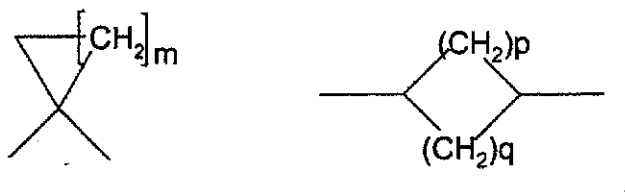
20 p and q represent integers and are defined such that $p+q$ is a number ranging from 1 to 5;

R_1 represents a hydrogen or halogen atom or a hydroxy, cyano, nitro, C_{1-4} -alkyl, C_{1-4} -alkoxy, C_{1-4} -thioalkyl, C_{1-4} -fluoroalkyl, C_{1-4} -fluoroalkoxy or C_{1-4} -fluorothio-
25 alkyl group;

R₂ represents

- a halogen atom or
- a cyano, nitro, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy,
- C₁₋₄-thioalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkoxy,
- 5 C₁₋₄-fluorothioalkyl group, or
- a group selected from in particular a phenyl, naphthyl,
- biphenyl, phenylethylenyl, naphthylethylenyl,
- pyridinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl, pyridazinyl,
- triazinyl, indanyl, indenyl, quinolinyl, isoquinolinyl,
- 10 quinazolinyl, quinoxalinyl, phthalazinyl, cinnolinyl,
- thienyl, furanyl, pyrrolyl, imidazolyl, pyrazolyl,
- oxazolyl, thiazolyl, isoxazolyl, isothiazolyl,
- thiadiazolyl, oxadiazolyl, triazolyl, phenylimidazolyl,
- benzothienyl, benzofuranyl, dibenzofuranyl,
- 15 benzimidazolyl, benzotriazolyl, indolyl, isoindolyl,
- indazolyl, benzoxazolyl, benzisoxazolyl,
- benzothiazolyl, benzisothiazolyl, dihydroindolyl,
- pyrrolopyridinyl, furopyridinyl, thienopyridinyl,
- imidazopyridinyl, oxazolopyridinyl, thiazolopyridinyl,
- 20 pyrazolopyridinyl, isoxazolopyridinyl,
- isothiazolopyridinyl, tetrahydroquinolinyl,
- tetrahydroisoquinolinyl, phenyloxy, phenylthio,
- phenylsulphonyl, benzoyl, benzyloxy, phenylethoxy,
- phenylpropoxy, naphthyloxy, naphthylmethoxy,
- 25 naphthylethoxy, naphthylpropoxy, quinolinoxy and
- isoquinolinoxy and optionally substituted by one or
- more substituents selected from a halogen atom and a
- cyano, nitro, C₁₋₄-alkyl, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkoxy,

- C_{1-4} -thioalkyl, C_{1-3} -fluoroalkyl, C_{1-3} -fluoroalkoxy,
 C_{1-3} -fluorothioalkyl, phenyloxy, benzyloxy, piperidinyl,
 pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl, NR_6R_7 , $NHCO R_6$, $CO R_6$, $CO_2 R_6$,
 $SO_2 R_6$, $-O-(C_{1-3}\text{-alkylene})-O-$ or 4-piperazinyl group
 5 optionally substituted by a C_{1-3} -alkyl or by a benzyl;
 R_6 and R_7 represent independently of one another a
 C_{1-3} -alkyl group or a phenyl; and
 R_3 represents a group of general formula CHR_4CONHR_5 in
 which
 10 R_4 represents a hydrogen atom or a C_{1-3} -alkyl group and
 R_5 represents a hydrogen atom or a C_{1-3} -alkyl,
 C_{3-5} -cycloalkyl or C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl- C_{1-6} -alkylene group;
 - when n represents an integer ranging from 2 to 7:
 A is selected from one or more groups X , Y and/or Z ;
 15 X represents a C_{1-2} -alkylene group optionally
 substituted by one or more C_{1-12} -alkyl, C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl or
 C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl- C_{1-6} -alkylene groups;
 Y represents either a C_2 -alkenylene group optionally
 substituted by one or more C_{1-12} -alkyl, C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl or
 20 C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl- C_{1-6} -alkylene groups; or a C_2 -alkynylene
 group;
 Z represents a C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl group of formula:



m represents an integer ranging from 1 to 5;

p and q represent integers and are defined such that p+q is a number ranging from 1 to 5;

R₁ represents a hydrogen or halogen atom or a hydroxy, cyano, nitro, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, C₁₋₄-thioalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkoxy or C₁₋₄-fluorothioalkyl group;

R₂ represents

a hydrogen or halogen atom or

a cyano, nitro, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy,

C₁₋₄-thioalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkoxy, C₁₋₄-fluorothioalkyl group, or

a group selected from in particular a phenyl, naphthyl, biphenyl, phenylethylenyl, naphthylethylenyl, pyridinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl, pyridazinyl,

triazinyl, indanyl, indenyl, quinolinyl, isoquinolinyl, quinazolinyl, quinoxalinyl, phthalazinyl, cinnolinyl, thienyl, furanyl, pyrrolyl, imidazolyl, pyrazolyl, oxazolyl, thiazolyl, isoxazolyl, isothiazolyl, thiadiazolyl, oxadiazolyl, triazolyl, phenylimidazolyl,

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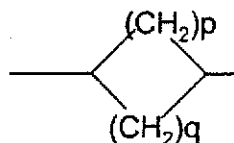
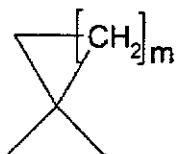
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phenylsulphonyl, benzoyl, benzyloxy, phenylethoxy,
 phenylpropoxy, naphthyloxy, naphthylmethoxy,
 naphthylethoxy, naphthylpropoxy, quinolinoxy and
 isoquinolinoxy and optionally substituted by one or
 5 more substituents selected from a halogen atom and a
 cyano, nitro, C₁₋₄-alkyl, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkoxy,
 C₁₋₄-thioalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkoxy,
 C₁₋₃-fluorothioalkyl, phenyloxy, benzyloxy, piperidinyl,
 pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl, NR₆R₇, NHCOR₆, COR₆, CO₂R₆,
 10 SO₂R₆, -O-(C₁₋₃-alkylene)-O- or 4-piperazinyl group
 optionally substituted by a C₁₋₃-alkyl or by a benzyl;
 R₆ and R₇ represent independently of one another a
 C₁₋₃-alkyl group or a phenyl; and
 R₃ represents a group of general formula CHR₄CONHR₅ in
 15 which
 R₄ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁₋₃-alkyl group and
 R₅ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁₋₃-alkyl,
 C₃₋₅-cycloalkyl or C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene group;
 in the form of the base, acid addition salt, hydrate or
 20 solvate.

4. Compound of formula (I) according to any
 one of Claims 1 to 3, characterized in that:
 n represents an integer between 1 and 5;
 A is selected from one or more groups X and/or Z;
 25 X represents a C₁₋₂-alkylene group optionally
 substituted by one or more C₁₋₃-alkyl groups;
 Z represents a C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl group of formula:



- m represents an integer ranging from 1 to 5;
- p and q represent integers and are defined such that p+q is a number ranging from 1 to 5;
- 5 R_1 represents a hydrogen or a halogen or a C_{1-4} -alkoxy group;
- R_2 represents a hydrogen or halogen atom, more particularly chlorine, bromine or fluorine, or a hydroxy group, C_{1-4} -alkyl group, more particularly
- 10 methyl, C_{1-4} -alkoxy group, more particularly methoxy, C_{1-4} -fluoroalkyl group, more particularly trifluoromethyl, or C_{1-4} -fluoroalkoxy group, more particularly trifluoromethoxy, or a group selected from phenyl, naphthyl, biphenyl, phenylethylenyl, pyridinyl,
- 15 pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl, quinolinyl, isoquinolinyl, thienyl, furanyl, isoxazolyl, thiadiazolyl, phenylimidazolyl, benzothienyl, dibenzofuranyl, benzimidazolyl, pyrrolopyridinyl, phenyloxy, phenylsulphonyl, benzoyl, benzyloxy or phenylpropoxy,
- 20 optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from a halogen atom, more particularly chlorine or fluorine, or a cyano, nitro or C_{1-4} -alkyl group, more particularly methyl, ethyl, isopropyl, butyl or tert-butyl, C_{1-4} -alkoxy group, more
- 25 particularly methoxy or ethoxy, C_{1-4} -thioalkyl group,

more particularly thiomethyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkyl group,
 more particularly trifluoromethyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkoxy
 group, more particularly trifluoromethoxy, phenyloxy,
 or benzyloxy, NR₆R₇, NHCOR₆, COR₆, CO₂R₆, SO₂R₆ or
 5 -O-(C₁₋₃-alkylene)-O-, more particularly -O-(CH₂)-O-;
 R₆ and R₇ represent independently of one another a
 C₁₋₃-alkyl group;

R₃ represents a group of general formula CHR₄CONHR₅ in
 which

10 R₄ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁₋₃-alkyl group and
 R₅ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁₋₃-alkyl group,
 C₃₋₅-cycloalkyl group or C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene
 group;
 in the form of a base, acid addition salt, hydrate or
 15 solvate.

5. Compound of formula (I) according to any
 one of Claims 1 to 4, characterized in that:

n represents an integer from 1 to 5;

A represents a C₁₋₂-alkylene group;

20 R₁ represents a hydrogen or a halogen;

R₂ represents a group selected from phenyl, naphthyl,
 phenyloxy, benzyloxy, pyridinyl, quinolinyl,
 isoquinolinyl, phenylimidazole or pyrrolopyridinyl,
 optionally substituted by one or more substituents

25 selected from a halogen atom, more particularly
 chlorine or fluorine, a cyano group, a C₁₋₄-alkyl group,
 more particularly methyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy group, more
 particularly methoxy, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkyl group, more

particularly trifluoromethyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkoxy group,
more particularly trifluoromethoxy;

R₃ represents a group of general formula CHR₄CONHR₅ in
which

- 5 R₄ represents a hydrogen and R₅ represents a hydrogen
atom or a C₁₋₃-alkyl group, C₃₋₅-cycloalkyl group or
C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene group;
in the form of a base, acid addition salt, hydrate or
solvate.

- 10 6. Compound of formula (I) according to any
one of Claims 1 to 5, characterized in that:

n represents an integer from 5 to 7;

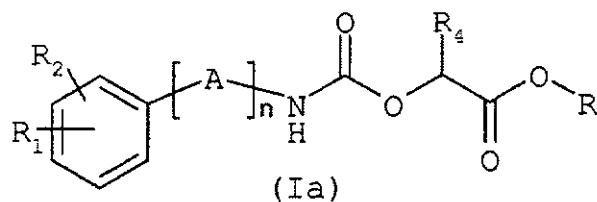
A represents a C₁₋₂-alkylene group;

- 15 R₁ and R₂ represent independently of one another a
hydrogen or halogen atom or a cyano, hydroxy,
C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkyl or
C₁₋₄-fluoroalkoxy group;

R₃ represents a group of general formula CHR₄CONHR₅ in
which

- 20 R₄ represents a hydrogen and R₅ represents a hydrogen
atom or C₁₋₃-alkyl group, C₃₋₅-cycloalkyl group, or
C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene group;
in the form of a base, acid addition salt, hydrate or
solvate.

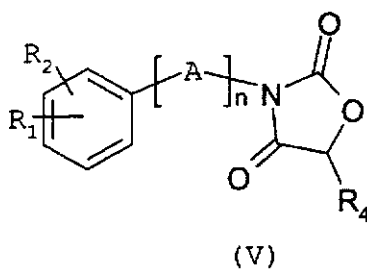
- 25 7. Process for preparing a compound of
formula (I) according to any one of Claims 1 to 6,
comprising the step consisting in
converting the carbamate ester of general formula (Ia)



in which A, n, R₁, R₂ and R₄ are as defined for the
 5 formula (I) according to Claim 1 and R represents a
 methyl or ethyl group

by aminolysis using an amine of general formula R₅NH₂ in
 which R₅ is as defined for formula (I) according to
 Claim 1.

10 8. Process for preparing a compound of
 formula (I) according to any one of Claims 1 to 6,
 comprising the step consisting in
 converting the oxazolidinedione derivative of general
 formula (V)

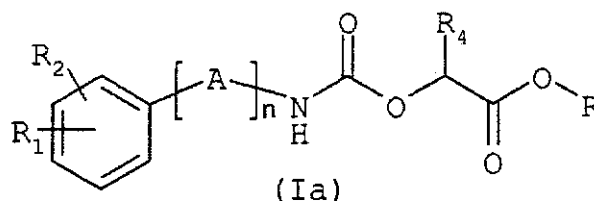


in which A, n, R₁, R₂ and R₄ are as defined for the
 formula (I) according to Claim 1,

by aminolysis using an amine of general formula R_5NH_2 in which R_5 is as defined for the formula (I) according to Claim 1.

9. Compound of the general formula (Ia)

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in which

n represents an integer ranging from 1 to 7;

10 A is selected from one or more groups X, Y and/or Z;

X represents a C_{1-2} -alkylene group optionally substituted by one or more C_{1-12} -alkyl, C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl or C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl- C_{1-6} -alkylene groups;

Y represents either a C_2 -alkenylene group optionally substituted by one or more C_{1-12} -alkyl, C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl or C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl- C_{1-6} -alkylene groups; or a C_2 -alkynylene group;

Z represents a C_{3-7} -cycloalkyl group of formula:



20 m represents an integer ranging from 1 to 5;

p and q represent integers and are defined such that $p+q$ is a number ranging from 1 to 5;

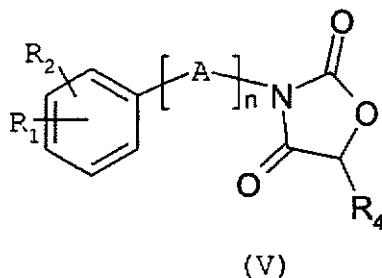
R_1 represents a hydrogen or halogen atom or a hydroxy, cyano, nitro, C_{1-4} -alkyl, C_{1-4} -alkoxy, C_{1-4} -thioalkyl, C_{1-4} -fluoroalkyl, C_{1-4} -fluoroalkoxy or C_{1-4} -fluorothioalkyl group;

- 5 R_2 represents
 a hydrogen or halogen atom
 or a cyano, nitro, hydroxy, C_{1-4} -alkyl, C_{1-4} -alkoxy,
 C_{1-4} -thioalkyl, C_{1-4} -fluoroalkyl, C_{1-4} -fluoroalkoxy,
 C_{1-4} -fluorothioalkyl group,
- 10 or a group selected from a phenyl, naphthyl, biphenyl,
 phenylethylenyl, naphthylethylenyl, pyridinyl,
 pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl, pyridazinyl, triazinyl,
 indanyl, indenyl, quinolinyl, isoquinolinyl,
 quinazolinyl, quinoxalinyl, phthalazinyl, cinnolinyl,
- 15 thienyl, furanyl, pyrrolyl, imidazolyl, pyrazolyl,
 oxazolyl, thiazolyl, isoxazolyl, isothiazolyl,
 thiadiazolyl, oxadiazolyl, triazolyl, phenylimidazolyl,
 benzothienyl, benzofuranyl, dibenzofuranyl,
 benzimidazolyl, benzotriazolyl, indolyl, isoindolyl,
- 20 indazolyl, benzoxazolyl, benzisoxazolyl,
 benzothiazolyl, benzisothiazolyl, dihydroindolyl,
 pyrrolopyridinyl, furopyridinyl, thienopyridinyl,
 imidazopyridinyl, oxazolopyridinyl, thiazolopyridinyl,
 pyrazolopyridinyl, isoxazolopyridinyl,
- 25 isothiazolopyridinyl, tetrahydroquinolinyl,
 tetrahydroisoquinolinyl, phenyloxy, phenylthio,
 phenylsulphonyl, benzoyl, benzyloxy, phenylethoxy,
 phenylpropoxy, naphthyloxy, naphthylmethoxy,

- naphthylethoxy, naphthylpropoxy, quinolinoxy and isoquinolinoxy and optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from a halogen atom or a cyano, nitro, C₁₋₄-alkyl, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkoxy,
- 5 C₁₋₄-thioalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkoxy, C₁₋₃-fluorothioalkyl, phenyloxy, benzyloxy, piperidinyl, pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl, NR₆R₇, NHCOR₆, COR₆, CO₂R₆, SO₂R₆, -O-(C₁₋₃-alkylene)-O- or 4-piperazinyl group optionally substituted by a C₁₋₃-alkyl or by a benzyl;
- 10 R₆ and R₇ represent independently of one another a C₁₋₃-alkyl group or a phenyl; and
- R₄ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁₋₃-alkyl group; and
- R represents a methyl or ethyl group.

10. Compound of the general formula (V)

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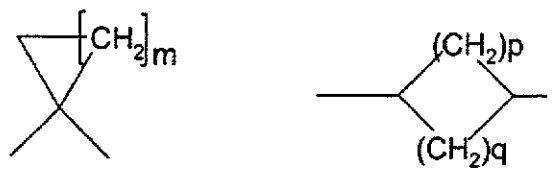


in which

- n represents an integer ranging from 1 to 7;
- 20 A is selected from one or more groups X, Y and/or Z;
- X represents a C₁₋₂-alkylene group optionally substituted by one or more C₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl or C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene groups;

Y represents either a C₂-alkenylene group optionally substituted by one or more C₁₋₁₂-alkyl, C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl or C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl-C₁₋₆-alkylene groups; or a C₂-alkynylene group;

- 5 Z represents a C₃₋₇-cycloalkyl group of formula:



m represents an integer ranging from 1 to 5;

p and q represent integers and are defined such that p+q is a number ranging from 1 to 5;

- 10 R₁ represents a hydrogen or halogen atom or a hydroxy, cyano, nitro, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, C₁₋₄-thioalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkoxy or C₁₋₄-fluorothioalkyl group;

R₂ represents

- 15 a hydrogen, bromine, iodine or fluorine atom or a cyano, nitro, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, C₁₋₄-thioalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₄-fluoroalkoxy, C₁₋₄-fluorothioalkyl group,
or a group selected from a phenyl, naphthyl, biphenyl,
20 phenylethylenyl, naphthylethylenyl, pyridinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl, pyridazinyl, triazinyl, indanyl, indenyl, quinolinyl, isoquinolinyl, quinazolinyl, quinoxalinyl, phthalazinyl, cinnolinyl, thienyl, furanyl, pyrrolyl, imidazolyl, pyrazolyl,
25 oxazolyl, thiazolyl, isoxazolyl, isothiazolyl,

- thiadiazolyl, oxadiazolyl, triazolyl, phenylimidazolyl, benzothienyl, benzofuranyl, dibenzofuranyl, benzimidazolyl, benzotriazolyl, indolyl, isoindolyl, indazolyl, benzoxazolyl, benzisoxazolyl,
- 5 benzothiazolyl, benzisothiazolyl, dihydroindolyl, pyrrolopyridinyl, furopyridinyl, thienopyridinyl, imidazopyridinyl, oxazolopyridinyl, thiazolopyridinyl, pyrazolopyridinyl, isoxazolopyridinyl, isothiazolopyridinyl, tetrahydroquinolinyl,
- 10 tetrahydroisoquinolinyl, phenyloxy, phenylthio, phenylsulphonyl, benzoyl, benzyloxy, phenylethoxy, phenylpropoxy, naphthyloxy, naphthylmethoxy, naphthylethoxy, naphthylpropoxy, quinolinoxy and isoquinolinoxy and optionally substituted by one or
- 15 more substituents selected from a halogen atom or a cyano, nitro, C₁₋₄-alkyl, hydroxy, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, C₁₋₄-thioalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkyl, C₁₋₃-fluoroalkoxy, C₁₋₃-fluorothioalkyl, phenyloxy, benzyloxy, piperidinyl, pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl, NR₆R₇, NHCOR₆, COR₆, CO₂R₆,
- 20 SO₂R₆, -O-(C₁₋₃-alkylene)-O- or 4-piperazinyl group optionally substituted by a C₁₋₃-alkyl or by a benzyl; R₆ and R₇ represent independently of one another a C₁₋₃-alkyl group or a phenyl; and R₄ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁₋₃-alkyl group.

- 25 11. Pharmaceutical composition comprising at least one compound of formula (I) according to any one of Claims 1 to 6, in base, salt, hydrate or pharmaceutically acceptable solvate form, and

optionally one or more pharmaceutically acceptable excipients.

12. Compound of formula (I) according to any one of Claims 1 to 6, in base, salt, hydrate or
5 pharmaceutically acceptable solvate form, for its use as a medicinal product.

13. Use of a compound of formula (I) according to any one of Claims 1 to 6, in base, salt, hydrate or pharmaceutically acceptable solvate form,
10 for preparing a medicinal product intended for preventing or treating a pathology in which the endogenous cannabinoids and/or any other substrates metabolized by the FAAH enzyme are involved.

14. Use of a compound of formula (I)
15 according to any one of Claims 1 to 6, in base, salt, hydrate or pharmaceutically acceptable solvate form, for preparing a medicinal product intended for preventing or treating acute or chronic pain, dizziness, vomiting, nausea, eating disorders,
20 neurological and psychiatric pathologies, acute or chronic neurodegenerative diseases, epilepsy, sleep disorders, cardiovascular diseases, renal ischaemia, cancers, disorders of the immune system, allergic diseases, parasitic, viral or bacterial infectious
25 diseases, inflammatory diseases, osteoporosis, ocular conditions, pulmonary conditions, gastrointestinal diseases or urinary incontinence.