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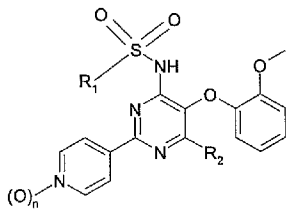
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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to the use of a compound of formula (1) wherein R_1 is pyridyl or thiazolyl, any of which may optionally be substituted with C_{1-8}alkyl or C_{2-8}alkenyl; and a) R_2 is methoxy and n is zero or one; or b) R_2 is chlorine and n is zero and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof for lowering or controlling proteinuria, in particular for the treatment of diabetic nephropathy.