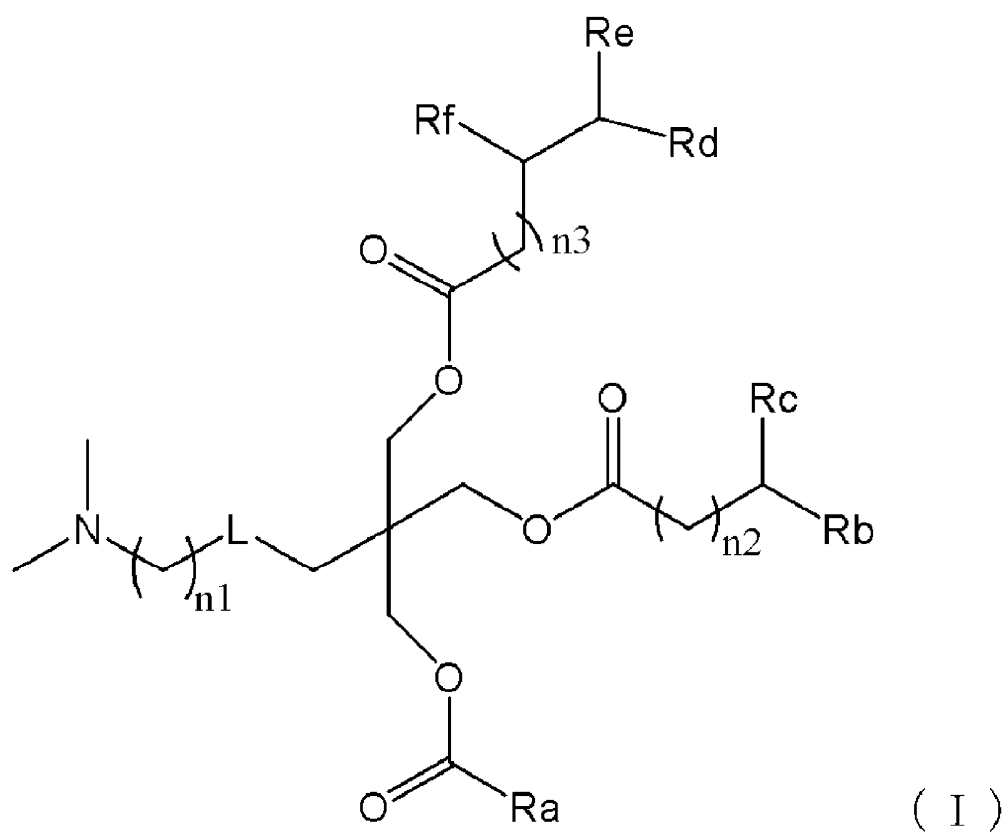


ABSTRACT

CATIONIC LIPID

5 The present invention provides a technique capable of
transferring an active ingredient, particularly, a nucleic
acid, to a cell with excellent efficiency and a cationic
lipid for use in this technique, etc. The cationic lipid of
the present invention is a compound represented by the
10 formula (I) or a salt thereof. n1 represents an integer of 2
to 6, n2 represents an integer of 0 to 2, n3 represents an
integer of 0 to 2, L represents -C(O)O- or -NHC(O)O-, Ra
represents a linear C₅₋₁₃ alkyl group, a linear C₁₃₋₁₇ alkenyl
group or a linear C₁₇ alkadienyl group, Rb represents a linear
15 C₂₋₉ alkyl group, Rc represents a hydrogen atom or a linear C₂₋₉
alkyl group, Rd represents a hydrogen atom or a linear C₂₋₉
alkyl group, Re represents a linear C₂₋₉ alkyl group, and Rf
represents a linear C₂₋₉ alkyl group.



[No figure]