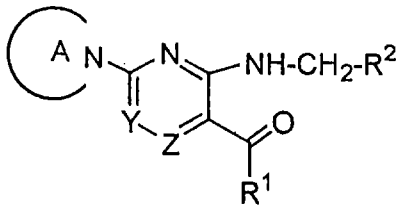
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ABSTRACT

An aromatic nitrogen-containing 6-membered cyclic compound of the formula (I):



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wherein Ring A is a substituted or unsubstituted nitrogen-containing heterocyclic group; R^1 is a substituted or unsubstituted lower alkyl group, -NH-Q-R^3 (R^3 is a substituted or unsubstituted nitrogen containing heterocyclic group, and Q is a lower alkylene group or a single bond), or -NH-R^4 (R^4 is a substituted or unsubstituted cycloalkyl group); R^2 is a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group; one of Y and Z is =CH—, and the other is =N—, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, a pharmaceutical composition comprising the same as an active ingredient, and a use thereof, these compounds exhibiting excellent selective PDE V inhibitory activities, and hence, being useful in the prophylaxis or treatment of penile erectile dysfunction, etc.