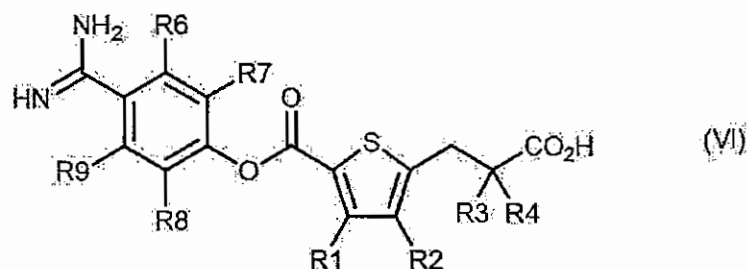
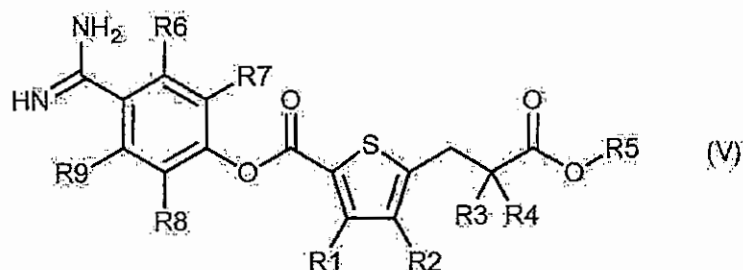
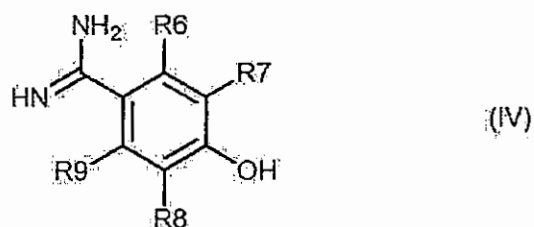
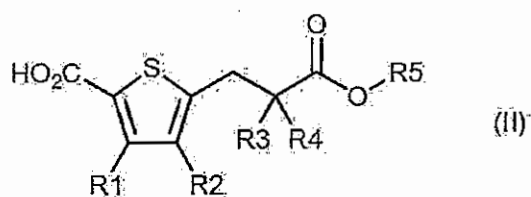


ABSTRACT

Provision of a production method of compound (VI) useful as a therapeutic drug for diabetes, its intermediate, and its crystal. A production method of compound (VI) or a salt thereof, including (d) a step of reacting compound (II) with an acid halogenating agent to give an acid halide, (e) a step of reacting the acid halide with compound (IV) in the presence of a base, and crystallizing compound (V) or a salt thereof from the reaction system, and (f) a step of subjecting the compound (V) to reductive deprotection in the presence of a metal catalyst, and crystallizing compound (VI) or a salt thereof from the reaction system:



wherein R5 is an aralkyl group optionally having a

substituent(s), an aralkyloxymethyl group optionally having a substituent(s), or a heteroarylalkyl group optionally having a substituent(s).