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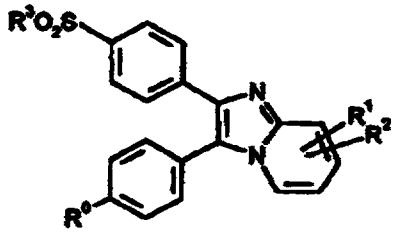
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(I)

(57) Abstract

The invention provides the compounds of formula (I) and pharmaceutically acceptable derivatives thereof in which: R^0 represents halogen; R^1 and R^2 are independently selected from H, halogen, C_{1-4}alkyl, C_{1-4}alkyl substituted by one or more fluorine atoms, C_{1-4}alkoxy, C_{1-4}hydroxyalkyl, SC_{1-4}alkyl, C(O)H or $C(O)C_{1-4}$alkyl; and R^3 represents C_{1-4}alkyl. Compounds of formula (I) are potent and selective inhibitors of COX-2 and are of use in the treatment of the pain, fever, inflammation of a variety of conditions and diseases.