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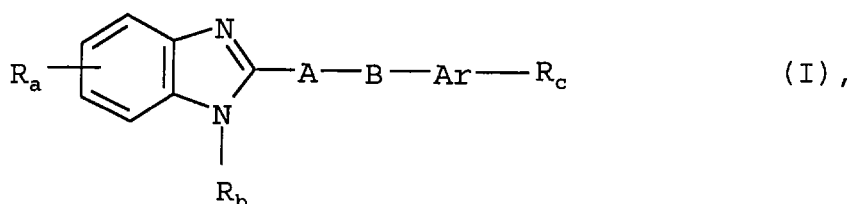


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Abstract

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The present invention relates to new benzimidazoles of general formula



10 wherein

R_a to R_c, A, Ar and B are defined as in claim 1, the tautomers, the stereoisomers, the mixtures thereof the prodrugs, the derivatives thereof which contain a group which is negatively charged under physiological

15 conditions, instead of a carboxy group, and the salts thereof, particularly the physiologically acceptable salts thereof with inorganic or organic acids or bases, which have valuable properties.

20 The compounds of the above general formula I wherein R_c denotes a cyano group are valuable intermediates for preparing the other compounds of general formula I, and the compounds of the above general formula I wherein R_c denotes one of the amidino groups mentioned in claim 1
25 which have valuable pharmacological properties, particularly an antithrombotic activity.