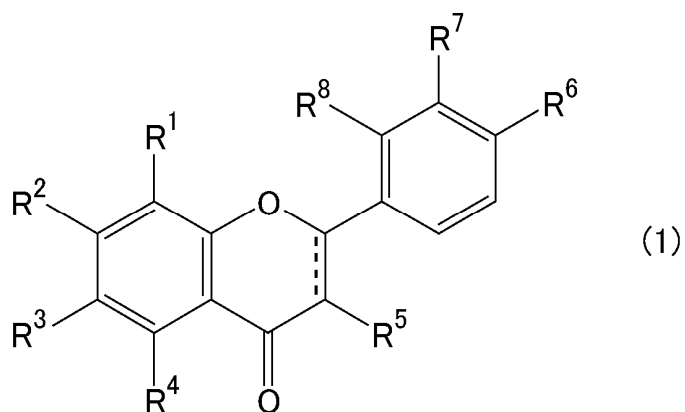


ABSTRACT

The present invention aims to provide a composition for promoting cartilage regeneration, which promotes
5 cartilage regeneration, and a method of promoting cartilage regeneration. The present invention relates to a composition for promoting cartilage regeneration, containing a flavonoid represented by the following formula (1) as an active ingredient:

10 [Chem. 1]



wherein R^1 , R^2 , R^3 , R^4 and R^5 each independently represent a hydrogen atom or a hydroxy group; R^6 represents a hydroxy group or a C1-C2 alkoxy group; one of R^7 and R^8 represents
15 a hydrogen atom and the other represents a hydroxy group or a C1-C2 alkoxy group; and a dashed line indicates that a bond may or may not be present.