



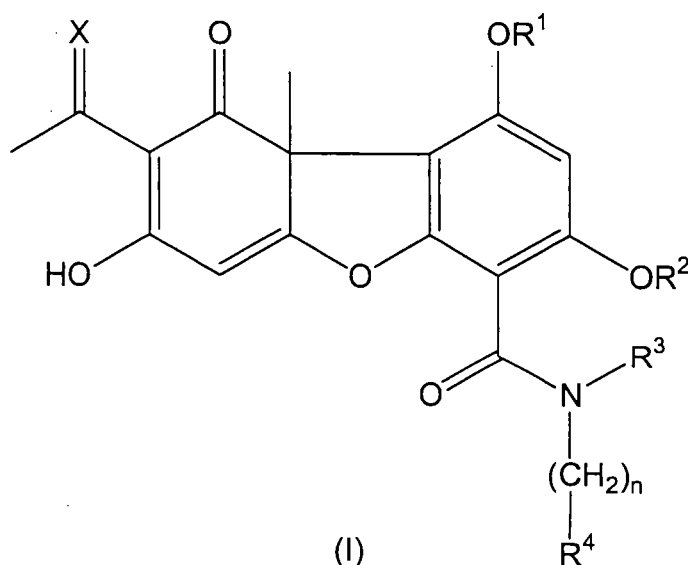
ABSTRACT



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The present invention relates to a novel cercosporamide derivative, a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof or an ester thereof which has an excellent hypoglycemic effect and is useful as a therapeutic and/or prophylactic agent for diabetes.

A cercosporamide derivative having the general formula (I):



[wherein X represents an oxygen atom or the like, R¹ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁-C₆ alkyl group, R² represents a hydrogen atom, a C₁-C₆ alkyl group or a C₁-C₆ halogenated alkyl group, R³ represents a hydrogen atom or a C₁-C₆ alkyl group, R⁴ represents a C₆-C₁₀ aryl group which may be substituted with one to five group(s) independently selected from Substituent Group a, or the like, n represents 1, 2 or 3, and Substituent Group a represents a halogen atom, a C₁-C₆ alkyl group, a C₁-C₆ halogenated alkyl group, a C₂-C₆ alkenyl group, a C₂-C₆ alkynyl group, a C₁-C₆ alkoxy group, a C₁-C₆ halogenated alkoxy group, a C₂-C₆ alkenyloxy group, a C₂-C₆ alkynyloxy group and the like], a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof or an ester thereof.