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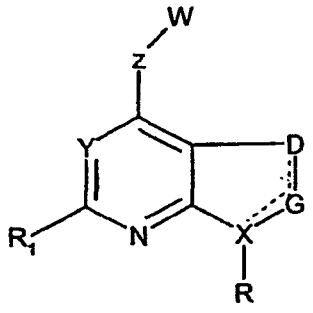
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(57) Abstract: The present invention provides compounds of formula (I) including stereoisomers, prodrugs and pharmaceutically acceptable salts or solvates thereof (Formula (I)) wherein the dashed line may represent a double bond; R is aryl or heteroaryl, each of which may be substituted by 1 to 4 groups J selected from: halogen, C1-C6 alkyl, C1-C6 alkoxy, halo C1-C6 alkyl, C2-C6 lkenyl, C2-C6 alkynyl, halo C1-C6 alkoxy, -C(O)R_2, nitro, hydroxy, -NR_3R_4, cyano and or a group Z; R_1 is hydrogen, C3-C7 cycloalkyl, C1-C6 alkyl, C1-C6 alkoxy, C1-C6 thioalkyl, C2-C6 alkenyl, C2-C6 alkynyl, halo C1-C6 alkyl, halo Cl-C6 alkoxy, halogen, NR_3R_4 or cyano; D, G is -C- optionally substituted; X is carbon or nitrogen; Y is nitrogen or -C- optionally substituted; W is a 4-8 membered ring, which may be saturated or may contain one to three double bonds, and in which: - one carbon atom is replaced by a carbonyl or $S(O)_m$; and - one to four carbon atoms may optionally be replaced by oxygen, nitrogen or NR_{12}, $S(O)_m$, carbonyl, and such ring may be further substituted by 1 to 8 substituents; Z is a 5-6 membered heterocycle, which may be substituted by 1 to 8 R_5 groups or a phenyl ring, which may be substituted by 1 to 4 substituents; m is an integer from 0 to 2. to processes for their preparation, to pharmaceutical compositions containing them and to their use in the treatment of conditions mediated by corticotropin-releasing factor (CRF).

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