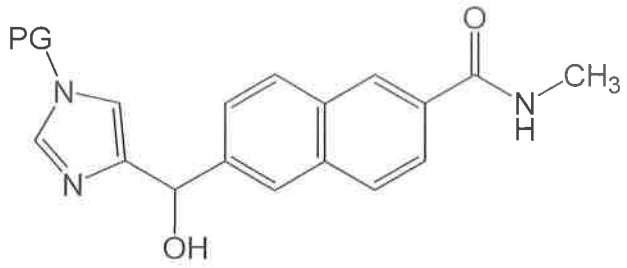
CLAIMS

1. A method of producing a compound represented by the formula:

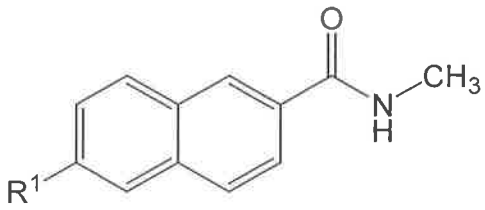


(VI)

wherein PG is a protecting group,

or a salt thereof, which comprises

Step (1): a step of reacting a compound represented by the formula:



(I)

wherein R^1 is an iodine atom or a bromine atom,

with a compound represented by the formula:

R^2-MgX (II)

wherein R^2 is a C_{1-6} alkyl group or a C_{6-12} aryl group; and X is a chlorine atom, a bromine atom or an iodine atom,

or a compound represented by the formula:

$R^2R^{2'}$-Mg (III)

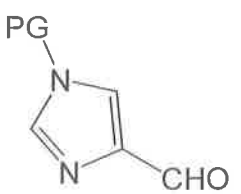
wherein $R^{2'}$ is a C_{1-6} alkyl group or a C_{6-12} aryl group; and R^2 is as defined above,

~~and~~ then reacting the resulting compound with a compound represented by the formula:

R^3-Li (IV)

wherein R^3 is a C_{1-6} alkyl group or a C_{6-12} aryl group,

and then reacting the resulting compound with a compound represented by the formula:

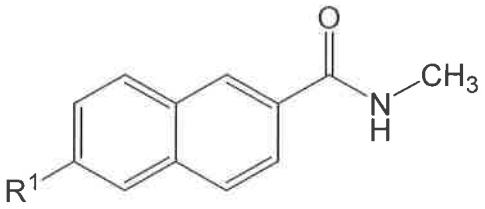


(V)

wherein PG is as defined above,
or a salt thereof.

2. A method of producing 6-(7-hydroxy-6,7-dihydro-5H-pyrrolo[1,2-c]imidazol-7-yl)-N-methyl-2-naphthamide or a salt thereof, which comprises

Step (1): a step of reacting a compound represented by the formula:



(I)

wherein R^1 is an iodine atom or a bromine atom,

with a compound represented by the formula:

R^2-MgX (II)

wherein R^2 is a C_{1-6} alkyl group or a C_{6-12} aryl group; and X is a chlorine atom, a bromine atom or an iodine atom,

or a compound represented by the formula:

$R^2R^{2'}$-Mg (III)

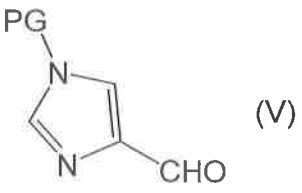
wherein $R^{2'}$ is a C_{1-6} alkyl group or a C_{6-12} aryl group; and R^2 is as defined above,

~~and~~ then reacting the resulting compound with a compound represented by the formula:

R^3-Li (IV)

wherein R^3 is a C_{1-6} alkyl group or a C_{6-12} aryl group,

and then reacting the resulting compound with a compound represented by the formula:



(V)

wherein PG is a protecting group,

or a salt thereof;

Step (2): a step of subjecting a compound represented by the formula: