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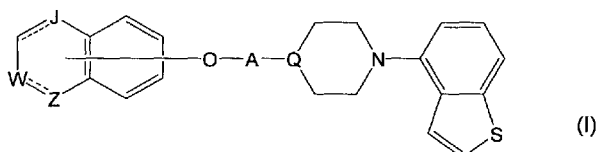
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(57) Abstract: Provided is a superior, novel heterocyclic compound with improved solubility in oil such as sesame oil and benzyl benzoate, which has a broader treatment spectrum, causes less side effects, and is superior in tolerability and safety, and use thereof. A heterocyclic compound represented by the formula (I) wherein each symbol is as defined in the specification, or a salt thereof.