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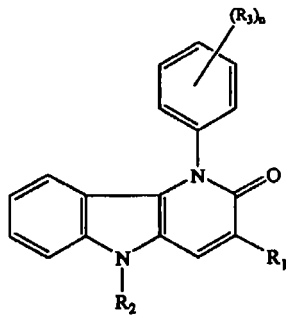
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(I)

(57) Abstract: The present invention concerns the compounds of formula (I) $(R_3)_n$ P(I) N O R_1 R_2 their *N*-oxides, salts, stereoisomeric forms, racemic mixtures, prodrugs, esters and metabolites, wherein n is 1, 2 or 3; R_1 is H, CN, halo, aminoC(=O), C(=O)OH, C_{1-4}alkyloxyC(=O), C_{1-4}alkylC(=O), mono- or di(C_{1-4}alkyl)aminoC(=O), arylaminoC(=O), *N*-(aryl)-*N*-(C_{1-4}alkyl)aminoC(=O), methanimidamidyl, *N*-hydroxy-methanimidamidyl, mono- or di(C_{1-4}alkyl)methanimidamidyl, Het_1 or Het_2; R_2 is H, C_{1-10}alkyl, C_{2-10}allkenyl, C_{3-7}cycloalkyl, wherein said C_{1-10}alkyl,C_{2-10}alkenyl and C_{3-7}cycloalkyl may be optionally substituted; R_3 is nitro, cyano, amino, halo, hydroxy,C_{1-4}alkyloxy, hydroxyC(=O), aminoC(=O), C_{1-4}alkyloxyC(=O), mono- or di(C_{1-4}-alkyl)aminoC(=O), C_{1-4}alkylC(=O), methanimidamidyl, mono- or di(C_{1-4}alkyl)methanimidamidyl, *N*-hydroxy methanimidamidyl or Het_1; for use as a medicine. The invention further relates to a novel subgroup of the compounds of formula (I), and to compositions comprising compounds of formula (I).

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