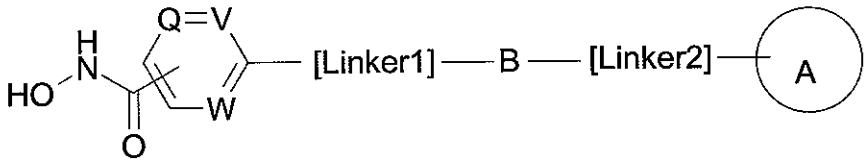
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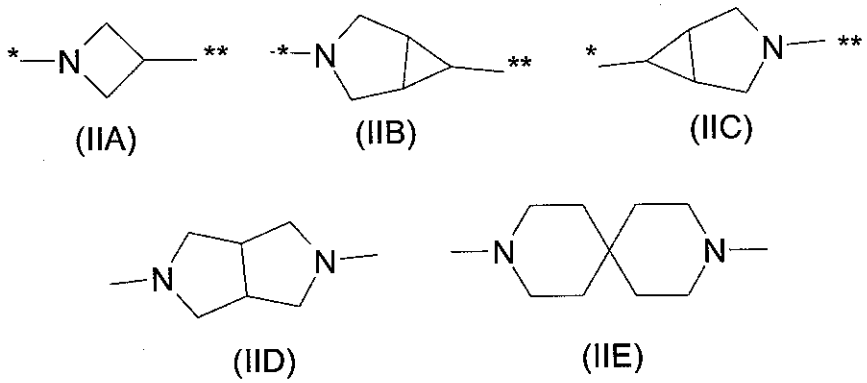
Abstract

Compounds of formula (I), and salts, N-oxides, hydrates and solvates thereof are histone deacetylase inhibitors and are useful in the treatment of cell proliferative diseases, including cancers:



(I)

wherein **Q**, **V** and **W** independently represent –N= or –C=; **B** is a divalent radical selected from (IIA), (IIB), (IIC), (IID), and (IIE).



wherein the bond marked * is linked to the ring containing Q, V and W through -[Linker1]- and the bond marked ** is linked to A through -[Linker2]-; **A** is an optionally substituted mono-, bi- or tri-cyclic carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring system; and **-[Linker1]-** and **-[Linker2]-** independently represent a bond, or a divalent linker radical.

(No Suitable Figure)