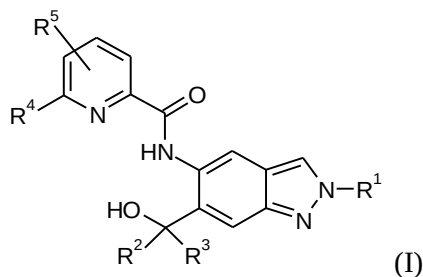


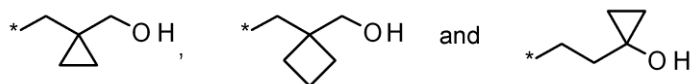
Claims

1. Compounds of the general formula (I)



in which:

R¹ is C₁-C₆-alkyl, where the C₁-C₆-alkyl group is unsubstituted or mono- or polysubstituted identically or differently by halogen, hydroxyl, an unsubstituted or mono- or poly-halogen-substituted C₃-C₆-cycloalkyl, or an R⁶, R⁷SO₂, R⁷SO or R⁸O group, or a group selected from:



where * represents the bonding site of the group to the rest of the molecule;

R² and R³ always have the same definition and are both either hydrogen or C₁-C₆-alkyl;

R⁴ is halogen, cyano, an unsubstituted or a singly or multiply, identically or differently substituted C₁-C₆-alkyl or an unsubstituted or a singly or multiply, identically or differently substituted C₃-C₆-cycloalkyl, and the substituents are selected from the group of halogen and hydroxyl;

R⁵ is hydrogen, halogen or an unsubstituted or mono- or poly-halogen-substituted C₁-C₆-alkyl;

R⁶ is an unsubstituted or mono- or di-methyl-substituted monocyclic saturated heterocycle having 4 to 6 ring atoms, which contains a heteroatom or a heterogroup from the group of O, S, SO and SO₂;

R⁷ is C₁-C₆-alkyl, where the C₁-C₆-alkyl group is unsubstituted or mono- or polysubstituted identically or differently by halogen, hydroxyl or C₃-C₆-cycloalkyl;
or R⁷ is C₃-C₆-cycloalkyl;

R⁸ is C₁-C₆-alkyl, where the C₁-C₆-alkyl group is unsubstituted or mono- or polysubstituted identically or differently by halogen;

and the diastereomers, enantiomers, metabolites, salts, solvates or solvates of the salts thereof,

for use in the treatment and/or prophylaxis of allergic and/or inflammatory diseases in animals.

2. Compounds according to Claim 1, where

R¹ is C₁-C₆-alkyl, where the C₁-C₆-alkyl group is unsubstituted or mono- or polysubstituted identically or differently by fluorine, hydroxyl or an R⁶, R⁷SO₂, R⁷SO or R⁸O group;

R² and R³ always have the same definition and are both either hydrogen or C₁-C₃-alkyl;

R⁴ is halogen, cyano or C₁-C₃-alkyl, where the C₁-C₃-alkyl group is unsubstituted or mono- or polysubstituted identically or differently by halogen or hydroxyl;

R⁵ is hydrogen, fluorine, chlorine or C₁-C₃-alkyl;

R⁶ is oxetanyl or tetrahydrofuranyl;

R⁷ is C₁-C₄-alkyl, where the C₁-C₄-alkyl group is unsubstituted or monosubstituted by hydroxyl or by cyclopropyl or substituted by three fluorine atoms;

R⁸ is an unsubstituted C₁-C₄-alkyl group or a tri-fluorine-substituted C₁-C₄-alkyl group.

3. Compounds according to Claim 1 or 2, where R⁴ is difluoromethyl, trifluoromethyl or methyl.

4. Compounds according to Claim 1, 2 or 3, where R⁵ is hydrogen or fluorine.

5. Compounds according to Claim 1, 2, 3 or 4, where R² and R³ are both either hydrogen or methyl.

6. Compounds according to Claim 2, where

R¹ is C₂-C₆-alkyl, where the C₂-C₆-alkyl group is unsubstituted, or the C₂-C₆-alkyl group is mono-, di- or tri-fluorine-substituted or the C₂-C₆-alkyl group is monosubstituted by hydroxyl, R⁶, R⁷SO₂, or R⁸O, or R¹ is an oxetanyl-substituted C₁-C₃-alkyl group;

R² and R³ always have the same definition and are both either hydrogen or methyl;

R⁴ is an unsubstituted or mono- or poly-halogen-substituted C₁-C₃-alkyl group or a C₁-C₃-alkyl group substituted by one hydroxyl group or a C₁-C₃-alkyl group substituted by one hydroxyl group and three fluorine atoms;

R⁵ is hydrogen, fluorine or C₁-C₃-alkyl;

R⁷ is C₁-C₃-alkyl;

R⁸ is C₁-C₄-alkyl, where the C₁-C₄-alkyl group is unsubstituted or mono-, di- or tri-fluorine-substituted.

7. Compounds according to Claim 6, in which

R¹ is a C₂-C₅-alkyl group substituted by hydroxyl or C₁-C₃-alkoxy or trifluoromethoxy or 2,2,2-trifluoroethoxy or trifluoromethyl or is a methyl-SO₂-substituted C₂-C₄-alkyl group or is an oxetan-3-yl-substituted C₁-C₂-alkyl group;

R² and R³ always have the same definition and are both hydrogen or methyl;

R⁴ is methyl, ethyl, trifluoro-C₁-C₃-alkyl, difluoro-C₁-C₃-alkyl, hydroxymethyl, 1-hydroxyethyl, 2-hydroxypropan-2-yl and 2,2,2-trifluoro-1-hydroxyethyl;

R⁵ is hydrogen, fluorine or methyl.

8. Compounds according to Claim 7, in which

R¹ is 4,4,4-trifluorobutyl, 3-hydroxy-3-methylbutyl, 3-hydroxybutyl, 3-methoxypropyl, 3-hydroxypropyl, 3-hydroxy-2-methylpropyl, 3-hydroxy-2,2-dimethylpropyl, 3-trifluoromethoxypropyl, 2-methoxyethyl, 2-hydroxyethyl, 2-(methylsulphonyl)ethyl or 3-(methylsulphonyl)propyl;

R² and R³ are both methyl or hydrogen;

R⁴ is difluoromethyl, trifluoromethyl or methyl;

R⁵ is hydrogen or fluorine.

9. Compounds according to Claim 8, in which

- R¹ is 3-hydroxy-3-methylbutyl, 3-hydroxybutyl, 3-hydroxy-2-methylpropyl, 3-hydroxy-2,2-dimethylpropyl, 3-(methylsulphonyl)propyl or 2-(methylsulphonyl)ethyl;
- R² and R³ are both methyl;
- R⁴ is difluoromethyl or trifluoromethyl;
- R⁵ is hydrogen.

10. Compounds according to Claim 8, in which

- R¹ is 3-hydroxy-3-methylbutyl, 3-hydroxybutyl, 3-hydroxy-2-methylpropyl, 3-hydroxy-2,2-dimethylpropyl, 3-(methylsulphonyl)propyl or 2-(methylsulphonyl)ethyl;
- R² and R³ are both methyl;
- R⁴ is methyl;
- R⁵ is fluorine, where R⁵ is in the ortho position to R⁴.

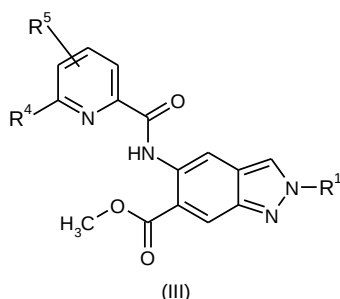
11. Compounds according to Claim 1-10 as follows:

- 1) N-[6-(2-Hydroxypropan-2-yl)-2-(2-methoxyethyl)-2H-indazol-5-yl]-6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 2) N-[6-(Hydroxymethyl)-2-(2-methoxyethyl)-2H-indazol-5-yl]-6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 3) N-[6-(2-Hydroxypropan-2-yl)-2-(3-methoxypropyl)-2H-indazol-5-yl]-6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 4) N-[6-(Hydroxymethyl)-2-(3-methoxypropyl)-2H-indazol-5-yl]-6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 5) N-[2-(2-Hydroxyethyl)-6-(2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)-2H-indazol-5-yl]-6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 6) N-[6-(2-Hydroxypropan-2-yl)-2-(3-hydroxypropyl)-2H-indazol-5-yl]-6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
- 7) N-[2-(2-Hydroxyethyl)-6-(hydroxymethyl)-2H-indazol-5-yl]-6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide

- 8) N-[6-(2-Hydroxypropan-2-yl)-2-(oxetan-3-ylmethyl)-2H-indazol-5-yl]-6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 9) N-[6-(Hydroxymethyl)-2-(oxetan-3-ylmethyl)-2H-indazol-5-yl]-6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 10) N-{6-(2-Hydroxypropan-2-yl)-2-[3-(methylsulphonyl)propyl]-2H-indazol-5-yl}-6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 11) N-[2-(3-Hydroxy-3-methylbutyl)-6-(2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)-2H-indazol-5-yl]-6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 12) N-{6-(2-Hydroxypropan-2-yl)-2-[2-(methylsulphonyl)ethyl]-2H-indazol-5-yl}-6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 13) 6-(Difluoromethyl)-N-[2-(3-hydroxy-3-methylbutyl)-6-(2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)-2H-indazol-5-yl]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 14) 6-(Difluoromethyl)-N-{6-(2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)-2-[2-(methylsulphonyl)ethyl]-2H-indazol-5-yl}pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 15) 6-(Difluoromethyl)-N-[6-(2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)-2-(3-hydroxypropyl)-2H-indazol-5-yl]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 16) N-[6-(2-Hydroxypropan-2-yl)-2-(4,4,4-trifluorobutyl)-2H-indazol-5-yl]-6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 17) N-{6-(2-Hydroxypropan-2-yl)-2-[3-(trifluoromethoxy)propyl]-2H-indazol-5-yl}-6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 18) N-{6-(2-Hydroxypropan-2-yl)-2-[3-(2,2,2-trifluoroethoxy)propyl]-2H-indazol-5-yl}-6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 19) 5-Fluoro-N-[2-(3-hydroxy-3-methylbutyl)-6-(2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)-2H-indazol-5-yl]-6-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 20) N-[2-(3-Hydroxy-3-methylbutyl)-6-(2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)-2H-indazol-5-yl]-6-methylpyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 21) 6-(2-Hydroxypropan-2-yl)-N-[6-(2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)-2-(4,4,4-trifluorobutyl)-2H-indazol-5-yl]pyridine-2-carboxamide
 - 22) N-{2-[2-(1-Hydroxycyclopropyl)ethyl]-6-(2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)-2H-indazol-5-yl}-6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine-2-carboxamide.
12. Compound of the general formula (I) as defined in any of Claims 1 to 11 for use in the treatment and/or prophylaxis of allergic and/or inflammatory diseases in domestic animals.

13. Compound of the general formula (I) as defined in any of Claims 1 to 11 for use in the treatment and/or prophylaxis of allergic and/or inflammatory diseases in farm animals.
14. Compound of the general formula (I) as defined in any of Claims 1 to 12, or as defined in Claim 13, for use in a method for treatment and/or prophylaxis of atopic dermatitis, Flea Allergy Dermatitis, inflammatory bowel disease, osteoarthritis and inflammatory pain, non-infectious recurrent airway disease, insect hypersensitivity, asthma, respiratory disease, mastitis and endometritis in animals.
15. Compound of the general formula (I) as defined in any of Claims 1 to 11 for use in a method for treatment and/or prophylaxis of Canine Atopic Dermatitis, Flea Allergy Dermatitis in dogs or cats, inflammatory bowel disease in dogs or cats, osteoarthritis and inflammatory pain in dogs, cats, horses or cattle, non-infectious recurrent airway disease in horses, insect hypersensitivity in horses, feline asthma, bovine respiratory disease, mastitis in cattle, endometritis in cattle, and swine respiratory disease.
16. Compound of the general formula (I) as defined in any of Claims 1 to 11 for use in a method for treatment and/or prophylaxis of Canine Atopic Dermatitis and Flea Allergy Dermatitis in dogs or cats.
17. Compound of the general formula (I) as defined in any of Claims 1 to 11 for use in a method for treatment and/or prophylaxis of osteoarthritis and inflammatory pain in cattle, bovine respiratory disease, mastitis in cattle, endometritis in cattle, and swine respiratory disease.
18. Use of a compound of the general formula (I) as defined in any of Claims 1 to 11 for production of a medicament for use in a method of treatment and/or prophylaxis of allergic and/or inflammatory diseases in animals.
19. Use according to Claim 18, wherein the medicament is used for treatment and/or prophylaxis of atopic dermatitis, Flea Allergy Dermatitis, inflammatory bowel disease, osteoarthritis and inflammatory pain, non-infectious recurrent airway disease, insect hypersensitivity, asthma, respiratory disease, mastitis and endometritis in animals.
20. Use according to Claims 18 and 19, wherein the animal is a domestic animal.

21. Use according to Claims 18 and 19, wherein the animal is a farm animal.
22. Use according to Claims 18 and 19 for treatment and/or prophylaxis of Canine Atopic Dermatitis, Flea Allergy Dermatitis in dogs or cats, inflammatory bowel disease in dogs or cats, osteoarthritis and inflammatory pain in dogs, cats, horses or cattle, non-infectious recurrent airway disease in horses, insect hypersensitivity in horses, feline asthma, bovine respiratory disease, mastitis in cattle, endometritis in cattle, and swine respiratory disease.
23. Use according to Claims 18 and 19 for treatment and/or prophylaxis of Canine Atopic Dermatitis and Flea Allergy Dermatitis in dogs or cats.
24. Medicament comprising a compound of the formula (I) as defined in any of Claims 1 to 11 in combination with an inert, non-toxic, pharmaceutically suitable excipient, for use in a method of treatment and/or prophylaxis of allergic and/or inflammatory diseases in animals.
25. Compounds of the general formula (III)



in which

R¹ is 4,4,4-trifluorobutyl, 3-hydroxy-3-methylbutyl, 3-methoxypropyl, 3-hydroxypropyl, 3-hydroxybutyl, 3-hydroxy-2-methylpropyl, 3-hydroxy-2,2-dimethylpropyl, 3-trifluoromethoxypropyl, 2-methoxyethyl, 2-hydroxyethyl, 2-(methylsulphonyl)ethyl, 3-(methylsulphonyl)propyl or 2-(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)ethyl;

R⁴ is difluoromethyl, trifluoromethyl or methyl; and

R⁵ is hydrogen or fluorine;

and the diastereomers, enantiomers, metabolites, salts, solvates or solvates of the salts thereof,

for use in the treatment and/or prophylaxis of allergic and/or inflammatory diseases in animals.

26. Compounds of Claim 25 as follows :

methyl 5-{[(5-fluoro-6-methylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-2-(3-hydroxy-3-methylbutyl)-2H-indazole-6-carboxylate and

methyl 2-(3-hydroxy-3-methylbutyl)-5-({[6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-2H-indazole-6-carboxylate,

for use in the treatment and/or prophylaxis of allergic and/or inflammatory diseases in animals.