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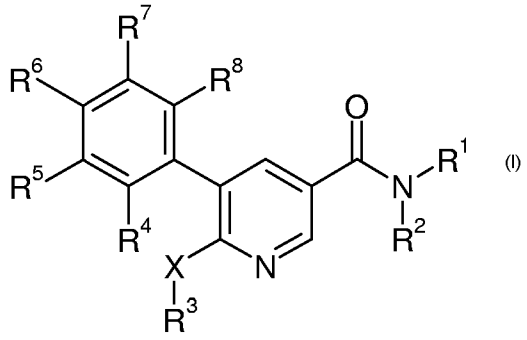
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(54) **Title:** PYRIDINE-3-CARBOXAMIDE DERIVATIVES AS CB1 INVERSE AGONISTS




(I)

(57) **Abstract:** The present invention relates to compounds of the formula (I) wherein X and $R^1$ to $R^8$ are as defined in the description and claims, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof. The compounds are useful for the treatment and/or prophylaxis of diseases which are associated with the modulation of CB1 receptors, such as obesity.

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