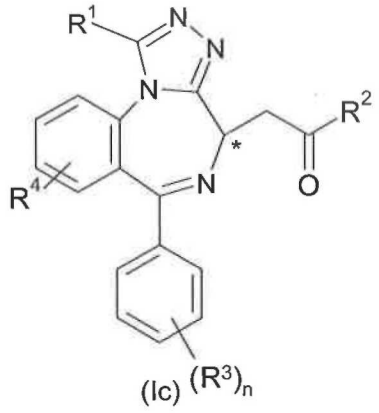
CLAIMS

1. A The use of a compound of formula (Ic) or a pharmaceutical acceptable salt thereof



(Ic)

where

R^1 is C_{1-3}alkyl;

R^2 is $-NR^{2a}R^{2a'}$ or $-OR^{2b}$;

wherein one of R^{2a} or $R^{2'a}$ is H, and R^{2b} or the other of R^{2a} or $R^{2'a}$ is selected from C_{1-6}alkyl, haloC_{1-6}alkyl, $R^{2c}R^{2'c}$N-C_{1-6}alkyl, carbocyclyl, carbocyclylC_{1-4}alkyl, heterocyclyl and heterocyclylC_{1-4}alkyl,

wherein any of the carbocyclyl or heterocyclyl groups are optionally substituted by one or more groups selected from halogen, C_{1-6}alkyl, haloC_{1-6}alkyl, C_{1-6}alkoxy, haloC_{1-6}alkoxy, carbonyl, -CO-carbocyclyl, azido, nitro and cyano,

wherein the -CO-carbocyclyl group may be further optionally substituted by one or more groups selected from halogen, C_{1-6}alkyl, haloC_{1-6}alkyl, C_{1-6}alkoxy, haloC_{1-6}alkoxy, azido, nitro and cyano;

or two adjacent groups on any of the carbocyclyl or heterocyclyl groups together with the interconnecting atoms form a 5- or 6-membered ring which ring may contain 1 or 2 heteroatoms independently selected from O, S and N;

or R^{2a} and $R^{2'a}$ together with the N-atom to which they are attached form a 5-, 6- or 7-membered ring which may optionally contain 1 or 2 heteroatoms independently selected from O, S and N; wherein the 5-, 6- or 7-membered ring may be further optionally substituted by C_{1-6}alkyl;

R^{2c} and $R^{2'c}$ are independently H and C_{1-6}alkyl;

each R^3 is independently selected from H, hydroxy, halo, C_{1-6}alkyl, halo C_{1-6}alkyl, C_{1-6}alkoxy, halo C_{1-6}alkoxy, nitro, cyano, CF_3, $-OCF_3$ and $-COOR^5$;

R^4 is hydroxy, halo, C_{1-6}alkyl, halo C_{1-6}alkyl, C_{1-6}alkoxy, halo C_{1-6}alkoxy, nitro, cyano, CF_3, $-OCF_3$; $-COOR^5$ or $-OS(O)_2C_{1-4}$alkyl;

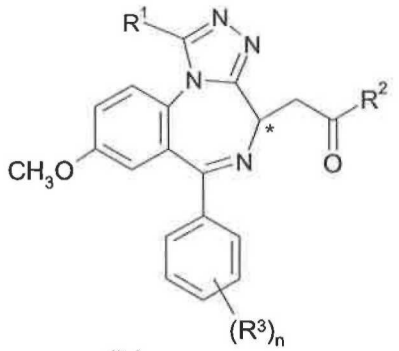
R^5 is C_{1-3}alkyl; and

n is an integer 1 to 5 ~~for use~~

in the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of cancer~~,~~.

2. ~~A compound~~ The use according to claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof in which R^4 represents hydroxyl or C_{1-6}alkoxy.

3. ~~A compound~~ The use according to claim 1 or a pharmaceutical acceptable salt thereof which is a compound of formula (Ib)



(Ib)

wherein:

R^1, R^2 and R^3 and n are as defined in claim 1.

4. ~~A compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof~~ The use according to any one of claim 1 – 3 wherein R^1 is methyl.

5. ~~A compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof~~ The use according to any one of claim 1 – 4 in which n is 1.

6. ~~A compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof~~ The use according to any one of claim 1 – 5 wherein R^3 is 3-fluoro, 4-chloro, 4-fluoro, 4-methoxy or 4-CF_3.

7. ~~A compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof~~ The use according to any one of claim 1 – 6 which is the S-enantiomer.

8. ~~A compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof~~ The use according to any one of claims 1 – 7 wherein the cancer is selected from hematological, epithelial including lung, breast and colon carcinomas, mesenchymal, hepatic, renal and neurological tumours.

~~9. The use of a compound or a pharmaceutical acceptable salt thereof as defined in any one of claims 1 - 7 in the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of cancer.~~

~~10. The use according to claim 9, wherein the cancer is selected from hematological, epithelial including lung, breast and colon carcinomas, mesenchymal, hepatic, renal and neurological tumours.~~