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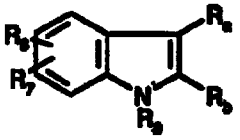
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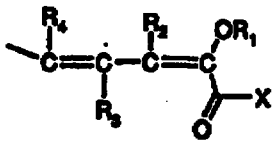
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(I)



(a)

(57) Abstract

A compound of formula (I) or a salt thereof, or a solvate thereof, wherein either: (i) Ra represents a group R_5 which is hydrogen, alkyl or optionally substituted aryl and R_b represents a moiety of formula (a); wherein X represents a hydroxy or an alkoxy group wherein the alkyl group may be substituted or unsubstituted or X represents a group NR_sR_t wherein R_s and R_t each independently represent hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, optionally substituted alkenyl, optionally substituted aryl, optionally substituted arylalkyl, an optionally substituted heterocyclic group or an optionally substituted heterocyclylalkyl group, or R_s and R_t together may form a heterocyclic group; R_1 represents an alkyl or a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group; and R_2, R_3 and R_4 each independently represent hydrogen, alkyl, aryl or substituted aryl or (ii) R_a represents a moiety of the above defined formula (a) and R_b represents the above defined R_5; R_6 and R_7 each independently represents hydrogen, hydroxy, amino, alkoxy, optionally substituted aryloxy, optionally substituted benzyloxy, alkylamino, dialkylamino, halo, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, nitro, alkyl, carboxy, carbalkoxy, carbamoyl, alkylcarbamoyl, or R_6 and R_7 together represent methylenedioxy, carbonyldioxy or carbonyldiamino; and R_8 represents hydrogen, hydroxy, alkanoyl, alkyl, aminoalkyl, hydroxyalkyl, carboxyalkyl, carbalkoxyalkyl, carbamoyl or aminosulphonyl; a process for the preparation of such a compound, a pharmaceutical composition comprising such a compound and the use of such a compound in medicine.