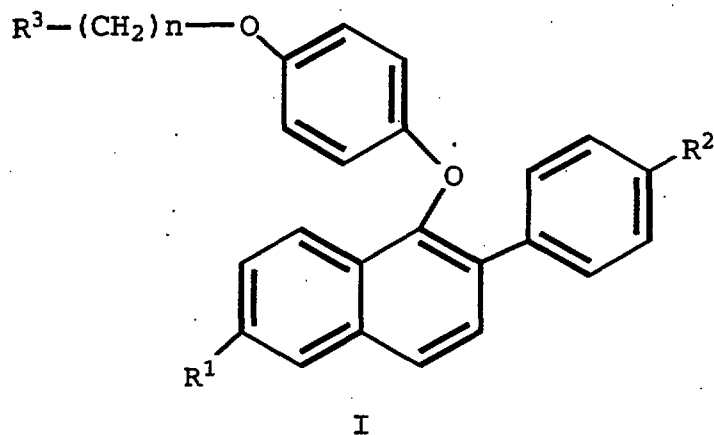


Abstract**NAPHTHYL COMPOUNDS, INTERMEDIATES, COMPOSITIONS, AND METHODS**

The present invention provides pharmaceutically active compounds formula I



wherein

R^1 is -H, -OH, -O(C₁-C₄ alkyl), -OCOC₆H₅, -OCO(C₁-C₆ alkyl), or -OSO₂(C₂-C₆ alkyl);

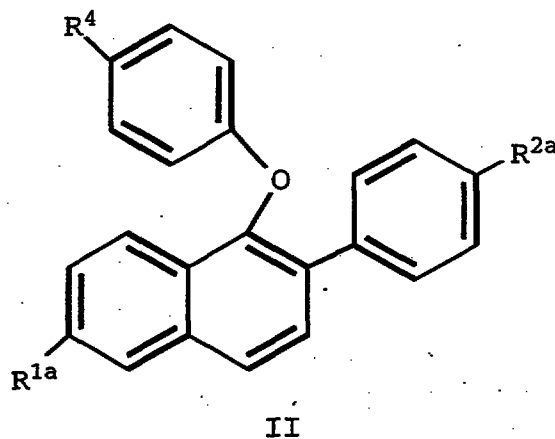
R^2 is -H, -OH, -O(C₁-C₄ alkyl), -OCOC₆H₅, -OCO(C₁-C₆ alkyl), -OSO₂(C₂-C₆ alkyl), or halo;

R^3 is 1-piperidinyl, 1-pyrrolidinyl, methyl-1-pyrrolidinyl, dimethyl-1-pyrrolidino, 4-morpholino, dimethylamino, diethylamino, diisopropylamino, or 1-hexamethyleneimino; and

n is 2 or 3; and

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

Also provided are compounds of formula II



wherein

R^{1a} is -H or -OR⁵ in which R⁵ is a hydroxy protecting group.

5. R^{2a} is -H, halo, or -OR⁶ in which R⁶ is a hydroxy protecting group; and

R^4 is -OH or -CHO;
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

10 Further provided are pharmaceutical compositions of compounds of formula I, and methods of using formula I compounds for, *inter alia*, alleviating the symptoms of post menopausal syndrome and hormonally-dependent cancer, particularly, breast cancer.

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