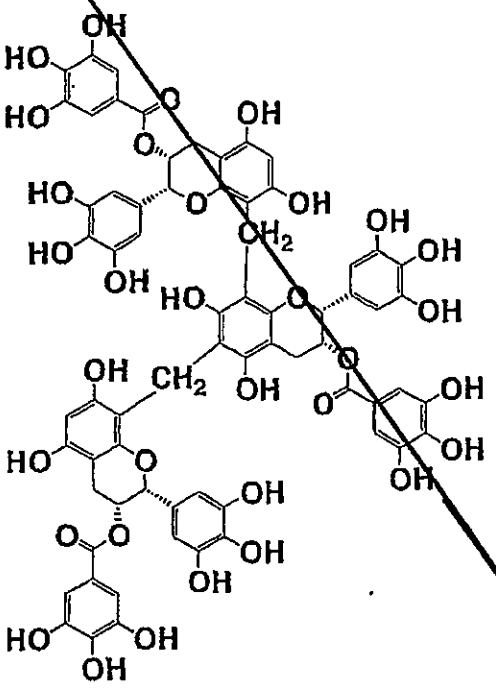
CLAIMS

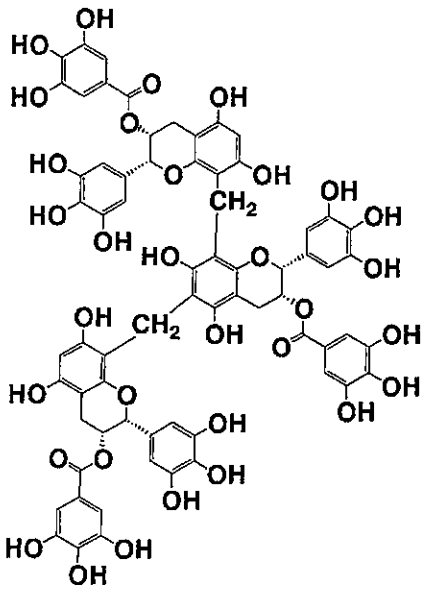
[1] An epigallocatechin gallate trimer of the formula:



[2] A process for producing epigallocatechin gallate trimer according to claim 1 which comprises reacting a flavan-3-ol with formaldehyde in the presence of an acid.

The Claims

Claim 1 An epigallocatechin gallate trimer of the formula:



Claim 2 A food or beverage, wherein the epigallocatechin gallate trimer of claim 1 is added.

Claim 3 A cosmetics comprising the epigallocatechin gallate trimer of claim 1.

Claim 4 A pharmaceutical composition comprising the epigallocatechin gallate trimer of claim 1.

Claim 5 A process for producing the epigallocatechin trimer of claim 1, Which includes the step of reacting flavan-3-ols with formaldehyde in the presence of an acid.