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(57) Abstract

Novel compounds of formula (1) are useful to treat disorders responsive to openers of the large conductance calcium-activated potassium channels, wherein "Het" is one of a select group of heterocyclic moieties; Z is independently for each occurrence selected from O or S; R^a, R^b and R^c each are independently selected from hydrogen, halogen, OH, CF₃, NO₂, or (a); provided R^c is not hydrogen; and when R^a and R^b are hydrogen, R^c may be a heterocyclic moiety selected from the group consisting of imidazol-1-yl, morpholinomethyl, N-methylimidazol-2-yl, and pyridin-2-yl; R^d and R^e each are independently selected from hydrogen, halogen, CF₃, NO₂ or imidazol-1-yl; m, n and p each are independently selected from an integer of 0 or 1; and R^f and R^g each are independently hydrogen; C₁₋₄ alkyl; or R^f and R^g, taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached, is a heterocyclic moiety selected from the group consisting of N-methylpiperazine, morpholine, thiomorpholine, N-benzylpiperazine and imidazolinone.

