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(54) **Title:** PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF CGRP ANTAGONIST

(57) **Abstract:** An efficient synthesis for the preparation of *N*-[(3*R*,6*S*)-6-(2,3-difluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)azepan-3-yl]-4-(2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-1-yl)piperidine -1-carboxamide, by coupling (3*R*,6*S*)-3-amino-6-(2,3-difluorophenyl)-1-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)azepan-2-one and 2-oxo-1-(4-piperidinyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine dihydrochloride with 1,1'-carbonyldiimidazole ("CDI") as carbonyl source; and an efficient preparation of the potassium salt of N-[(3*R*,6*S*)-6-(2,3-difluorophenyl)-2-oxo-1-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)azepan-3-yl]-4-(2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridin-1-yl)piperidine -1-carboxamide.