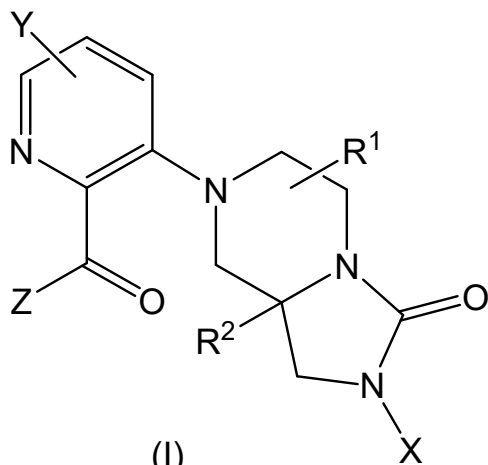


[ABSTRACT]

The present invention discloses, as one embodiment of the invention, heterocyclic compound (I) represented by the following formula (I):



(I)

wherein each symbol is as defined in the specification, or a salt thereof, which has an antagonist activity against melanocortin 2 receptor and useful for the treatment or prophylaxis of endocrine diseases and the like.

[No figure]