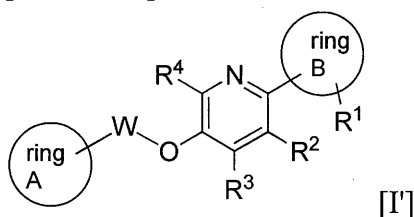


AZOLE-SUBSTITUTED PYRIDINE COMPOUND

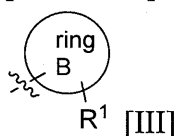
ABSTRACT

The present invention provides a compound represented by formula [I'] shown below or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof that has an inhibitory effect on 20-HETE producing enzyme, wherein the structure represented by formula [III] shown below represents any of the structures represented by formula group [IV] shown below, wherein R¹ represents a hydrogen atom, a fluorine atom, methyl, etc.; R², R³, and R⁴ each independently represent a hydrogen atom, a fluorine atom, or methyl; W represents a single bond, C₁₋₃alkanediyl, or the formula -O-CH₂CH₂-; and ring A represents (a) substituted C₄₋₆cycloalkyl, (b) substituted 4- to 6-membered saturated nitrogen-containing heterocyclyl, (c) substituted phenyl, (d) substituted pyridyl, (e) substituted 2,3-dihydrobenzofuran, (f) 4- to 6-membered saturated oxygen-containing heterocyclyl, etc.

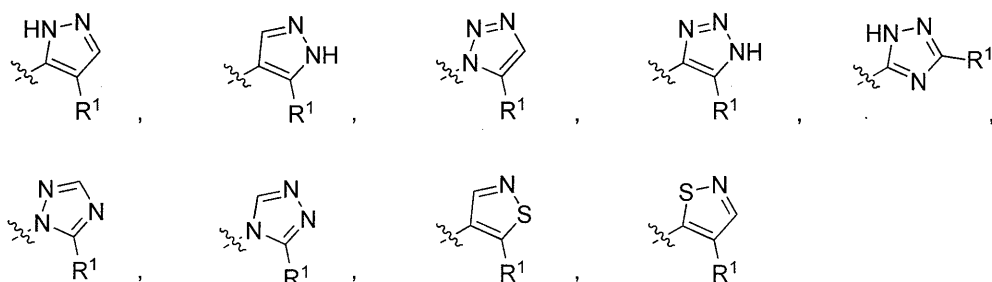
[Formula 1]



[Formula 2]



[Formula 3]



[IV]