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(57) Abstract Compounds of formula (B): (1a), or (1b), (1c) are provided wherein the variables are as defined herein which are useful in disease conditions mediated by TNF- α , such as rheumatoid arthritis, osteoarthritis, sepsis, AIDS, ulcerative colitis, multiple sclerosis, Crohn's disease and degenerative cartilage loss. (1a) (1b) (1c)		