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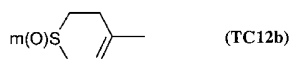
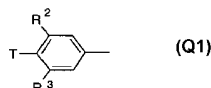
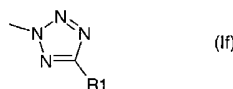
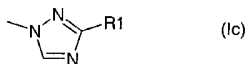
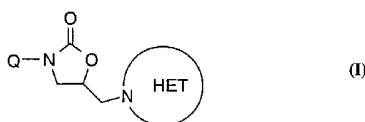
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(54) Title: OXAZOLIDINONE DERIVATIVES, PROCESSES FOR THEIR PREPARATION, AND PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING THEM



(57) Abstract: Compounds of the formula (I), or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt, or an in-vivo-hydrolysable ester thereof, wherein -N-HET is, for example, formula (Ic) or (If) wherein R1 is, for example, halogen or a (1-4C)alkyl group which is substituted by one substituent selected from, for example, hydroxy, (1-4C)alkoxy, amino, cyano or azido; Q is selected from, for example, Q1, formula Q1 wherein R2 and R3 are independently hydrogen or fluoro; T is selected from a range of groups, for example, formula (TC12b) wherein m is 0, 1 or 2; are useful as antibacterial agents; and processes for their manufacture and pharmaceutical compositions containing them are described.

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Box I Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 1 of first sheet)

This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. Claims Nos.:
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:

Although claim 13 is directed to a method of treatment of the human/animal body, the search has been carried out and based on the alleged effects of the compound/composition.
2. Claims Nos.: 1-10, 12-17 (all partly)
because they relate to parts of the International Application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful International Search can be carried out, specifically:
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3. Claims Nos.:
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Box II Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

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- The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.
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Claims Nos.: 1-10, 12-17 (all partly)

Present claims 1-10 and 12-17 relate to an extremely large number of possible compounds. In fact, the claims contain so many variables that a lack of clarity and conciseness within the meaning of Article 6 PCT arises to such an extent as to render a meaningful search of the claims impossible.

Moreover, there are some inconsistencies in the claims which make they claims unclear (listing may not be exhaustive):

In claim 6, R1 can also be hydrogen, which is not the case in then corresponding independent claim 1.

According to claim 1, (TC) can be (TC1), (TC2), (TC3) and (TC4).

Therefore the following groups, mentioned in the dependent claims, apparently are not defined:

In claims 7 and 8: (TC5), (TC7), (TC9), (TC12), (TC13).

In claims 9 and 10: ((TC12a), (TC12b).

The term "pro-drug", as mentioned in claim 12, is not defined properly and thus unclear.

Support within the meaning of Article 6 PCT and disclosure within the meaning of Article 5 PCT is to be found, however, for only a very small proportion of the compounds claimed. In the present case, the claims so lack support, and the application so lacks disclosure, that a meaningful search over the whole of the claimed scope is impossible. Consequently, the search has been carried out for those parts of the claims which appear to be supported and disclosed, namely those parts relating to the compounds of claim 11 and to the examples.

The applicant's attention is drawn to the fact that claims, or parts of claims, relating to inventions in respect of which no international search report has been established need not be the subject of an international preliminary examination (Rule 66.1(e) PCT). The applicant is advised that the EPO policy when acting as an International Preliminary Examining Authority is normally not to carry out a preliminary examination on matter which has not been searched. This is the case irrespective of whether or not the claims are amended following receipt of the search report or during any Chapter II procedure.

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