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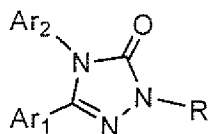
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(57) Abstract: Diaryl triazolones of Formula I are provided, in which the variables are as described herein. Such compounds may be used to modulate CB1 activity in vivo or in vitro, and are particularly useful in the treatment of conditions responsive to CB1 modulation in humans, domesticated companion animals and livestock animals, including appetite disorders, obesity and addictive disorders. Pharmaceutical compositions and methods for using diaryl triazolones of Formula I to treat such disorders are provided, as are methods for using such compounds as ligands for receptor localization studies and various in vitro assays.

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## DIARYL TRIAZOLONES AS CB1 ANTAGONISTS

## FIELD OF THE INVENTION

This invention relates generally to diaryl triazolones, and to the use of such compounds to treat  
5 conditions responsive to cannabinoid receptor-1 (CB1) modulation. The invention further relates to  
the use of such compounds as reagents for the identification of agents that bind to CB1, and as probes  
for the detection and localization of CB1.

## BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

10 Obesity is the most common nutritional problem in developed countries. This condition is  
both harmful to the individual and costly to society, as it increases the likelihood of developing serious  
health conditions (such as cardiovascular diseases and diabetes) and complicates numerous chronic  
conditions such as respiratory diseases, osteoarthritis, osteoporosis, gall bladder disease and  
dyslipidemias. Fortunately, however, many of the conditions caused or exacerbated by obesity can be  
15 resolved or dramatically improved by weight loss.

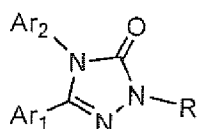
Once considered merely a behavioral problem (*i.e.*, the result of voluntary hyperphagia),  
obesity is now recognized as a complex multifactorial disease involving defective regulation of food  
intake, food-induced energy expenditure and the balance between lipid and lean body anabolism. Both  
environmental and genetic factors play a role in the development of obesity. As a result, treatment  
20 programs that focus entirely on behavior modification have limited efficacy and are associated with  
recidivism rates exceeding 95%. Pharmacotherapy is now seen as a critical component of weight loss  
and subsequent weight management.

Currently available prescription drugs for managing obesity generally reduce weight by  
inducing satiety or decreasing dietary fat absorption. Such drugs, however, often have unacceptable  
25 side effects. Several, such as the older adrenergic weight-loss drugs (*e.g.*, amphetamine,  
methamphetamine, and phenmetrazine), which act via dopamine pathways, are no longer  
recommended because of the risk of their abuse. Fenfluramine and dexfenfluramine, both serotonergic  
agents used to regulate appetite, are also no longer available for use.

Thus, there exists a need for more effective agents for promoting weight loss and for reducing  
30 or preventing weight-gain. In addition, there exists an unmet need for more effective agents for the  
treatment of alcohol and tobacco dependence. The present invention fulfills these needs, and provides  
further related advantages.

## SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The present invention provides diaryl triazolones that satisfy Formula I:



Formula I

or are a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, wherein:

Ar<sub>1</sub> and Ar<sub>2</sub> are independently chosen from phenyl and 6-membered heteroaryl, each of which is optionally substituted, and each of which is preferably substituted with from 0 to 5 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>A</sub>;

5 R is:

(i) hydrogen;

(ii) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkynyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl ether, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkoxycarbonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkylsulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, or mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminocarbonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; each of which is optionally substituted, and each of which is preferably substituted with from 0 to 6 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>; or

(iii) a group of the formula -L-A-X-B, -L-M-X-B, -L-X-A-B or -L-X-M-B wherein:

L is C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>alkylene that is optionally substituted, and is preferably substituted with from 0 to 2 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>;

15 A is a 5- to 8-membered heterocycloalkyl group that is optionally substituted, and is preferably substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>;

M is (6- to 10-membered aryl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl or (5- to 10-membered heteroaryl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, each of which is optionally substituted, and each of which is preferably substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>;

20 X is absent, -C(=O)-, -N(R<sub>X</sub>)C(=O)-, -C(=O)N(R<sub>X</sub>)- or -S(O<sub>2</sub>)-; wherein R<sub>X</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; and

B is absent or cyano, such that if B is absent or cyano, then X is absent; or

B is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)amino, or (4- to 7-membered heterocycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>;

Each R<sub>A</sub> is independently chosen from:

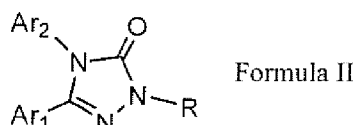
(i) halogen, hydroxy, cyano, amino, nitro, aminocarbonyl, aminosulfonyl and -COOH; and

(ii) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkynyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkylsulfinyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxycarbonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkylsulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminocarbonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, phenylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, phenylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy, (4- to 8-membered heterocycle)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl and (4- to 8-membered heterocycle)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy; each of which is optionally substituted, and each of which is preferably substituted with from 0 to 6 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>; and

Each R<sub>B</sub> is independently chosen from:

- (i) oxo, halogen, hydroxy, cyano, amino, nitro, aminocarbonyl, aminosulfonyl, and -COOH; and  
 (ii) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkynyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkylsulfinyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)sulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl and mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; each of which is optionally substituted, and each of which is preferably substituted with from 0 to 6 substituents independently chosen from oxo, halogen, hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy.

In other aspects, the present invention provides diaryl triazolones that satisfy Formula II:



or are a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, wherein:

Ar<sub>1</sub> and Ar<sub>2</sub> are independently chosen from phenyl and 6-membered heteroaryl, each of which is substituted with from 1 to 4 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>A</sub>;

R is C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkenyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl ether, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkoxycarbonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkylsulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, or mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminocarbonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; each of which is substituted with from 0 to 6 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>; or

R is a group of the formula -L-A-X-B or -L-X-A-B, wherein:

L is C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>alkylene optionally substituted with R<sub>B</sub>;

A is a 5- to 8-membered heterocycloalkyl group that is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>;

X is absent, -C(=O)-, -N(R<sub>X</sub>)C(=O)-, -C(=O)N(R<sub>X</sub>)- or -S(O<sub>2</sub>)-; wherein R<sub>X</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; and

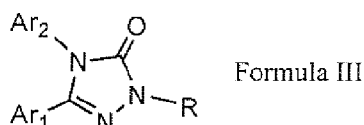
B is absent or cyano, such that if B is absent or cyano, then X is absent; or

B is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)amino, or 4- to 7-membered heterocycloalkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>;

such that R is not morpholin-4-ylmethyl; and

R<sub>A</sub> and R<sub>B</sub> are as described above.

In further aspects, the present invention provides diaryl triazolones that satisfy Formula III:



or are a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, wherein:

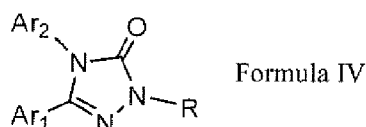
Ar<sub>1</sub> is phenyl or 6-membered heteroaryl, each of which is substituted with from 1 to 4 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>A</sub>;

Ar<sub>2</sub> is phenyl or 6-membered heteroaryl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 4 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>A</sub>;

5 R is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl that is substituted with 1 or 2 substituents independently chosen from halogen, cyano, hydroxy, amino, oxo, such that R does not comprise an aminocarbonyl or carboxy group; and

R<sub>A</sub> and R<sub>B</sub> are as described above.

In other aspects, the present invention provides diaryl triazolones that satisfy Formula IV:



10 or are a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, wherein:

Ar<sub>1</sub> is 6-membered heteroaryl that is substituted with from 1 to 4 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>A</sub>;

Ar<sub>2</sub> is phenyl or 6-membered heteroaryl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 4 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>A</sub>;

15 R is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkynyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl ether, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkoxycarbonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkylsulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, or mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminocarbonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; each of which is substituted with from 0 to 6 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>; or

20 R is a group of the formula -L-A-X-B or -L-X-A-B, wherein:

L is C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>alkylene optionally substituted with R<sub>B</sub>;

A is a 5- to 8-membered heterocycloalkyl group that is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>;

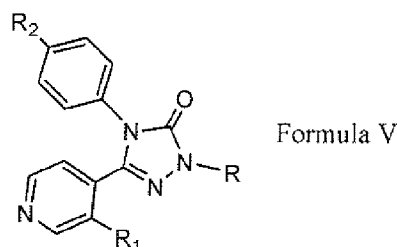
25 X is absent, -C(=O)-, -N(R<sub>X</sub>)C(=O)-, -C(=O)N(R<sub>X</sub>)- or -S(O<sub>2</sub>)-; wherein R<sub>X</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; and

B is absent or cyano, such that if B is absent or cyano, then X is absent; or

B is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)amino, or 4- to 7-membered heterocycloalkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>; and

30 R<sub>A</sub> and R<sub>B</sub> are as described above.

Within other aspects, the present invention provides diaryl triazolones that satisfy Formula V:



or are a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, wherein:

R<sub>1</sub> is halogen, hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkoxy;

R<sub>2</sub> is halogen, hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkoxy or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy

5 that is substituted with a 4- to 6-membered carbocycle or heterocycle;

R is:

(i) hydrogen;

(ii) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkynyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl ether, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkoxycarbonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkylsulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, or mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminocarbonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; each of which is substituted with from 0 to 6 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>; or

(iii) a group of the formula -L-A-X-B, -L-M-X-B, -L-X-A-B or -L-X-M-B, wherein:

L is C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>alkylene optionally substituted with R<sub>B</sub>;

15 A is a 5- to 8-membered heterocycloalkyl group that is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>;

M is phenylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl or (5- to 10-membered heteroaryl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>;

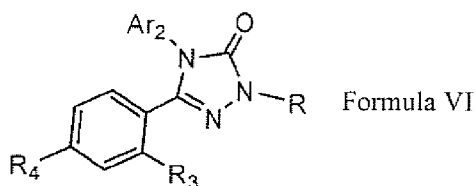
20 X is absent, -C(=O)-, -N(R<sub>X</sub>)C(=O)-, -C(=O)N(R<sub>X</sub>)- or -S(O<sub>2</sub>)-; wherein R<sub>X</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; and

B is absent or cyano, such that if B is absent or cyano, then X is absent; or

B is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)amino, or 4- to 7-membered heterocycloalkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>;

25 wherein R<sub>B</sub> is as described above.

In further aspects, the present invention provides diaryl triazolones that satisfy Formula VI:



or are a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, wherein:

Ar<sub>2</sub> is phenyl or 6-membered heteroaryl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 4 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>A</sub>;

R is:

(i) hydrogen;

5 (ii) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkynyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl ether, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkoxycarbonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkylsulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, or mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminocarbonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; each of which is substituted with from 0 to 6 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>; or

10 (iii) a group of the formula -L-A-X-B, -L-M-X-B, -L-X-A-B or -L-X-M-B, wherein:

L is C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>alkylene optionally substituted with R<sub>B</sub>;

A is a 5- to 8-membered heterocycloalkyl group that is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>;

15 M is phenylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl or (5- to 10-membered heteroaryl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>;

X is absent, -C(=O)-, -N(R<sub>X</sub>)C(=O)-, -C(=O)N(R<sub>X</sub>)- or -S(O<sub>2</sub>)-; wherein R<sub>X</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; and

B is absent or cyano, such that if B is absent or cyano, then X is absent; or

20 B is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)amino, or 4- to 7-membered heterocycloalkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>;

R<sub>A</sub> and R<sub>B</sub> are as described above; and

R<sub>3</sub> and R<sub>4</sub> are independently chosen from halogen, hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkoxy.

25 Within certain aspects, diaryl triazolones provided herein are CB1 modulators and exhibit a K<sub>i</sub> of no greater than 2 micromolar, 1 micromolar, 500 nanomolar, 100 nanomolar or 50 nanomolar in a CB1 ligand binding assay and/or have an EC<sub>50</sub> or IC<sub>50</sub> value of no greater than 1 micromolar, 100 nanomolar, 50 nanomolar or 10 nanomolar in an assay for determination of CB1 agonist or antagonist activity.

30 In certain embodiments, CB1 modulators as described herein are CB1 antagonists and exhibit no detectable agonist activity.

Within certain aspects, compounds as described herein are labeled with a detectable marker (*e.g.*, radiolabeled or fluorescein conjugated).

35 The present invention further provides, within other aspects, pharmaceutical compositions comprising at least one diaryl triazolone as described herein (*e.g.*, a compound of Formula I or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof) in combination with a physiologically acceptable carrier or excipient.

The present invention further provides methods for treating a condition responsive to CB1 modulation in a patient, comprising administering to the patient a therapeutically effective amount of at least one compound as described herein. Such conditions include, for example, appetite disorders, obesity, dependency disorders such as alcohol dependency and nicotine dependency, asthma, liver cirrhosis, sepsis, irritable bowel disease, Crohn's disease, depression, schizophrenia, memory disorders, cognitive disorders, movement disorders, portal hypertension, fibrosis of internal organs, orthostatic hypotension and drug-induced hypotension.

In further aspects, methods are provided for suppressing appetite in a patient, comprising administering to the patient an appetite reducing amount of at least one compound as described herein.

The present invention further provides pharmaceutical compositions, comprising (a) a first agent that is a compound as described above, (b) a second agent that is suitable for treating an appetite disorder, obesity, an addictive disorder, asthma, liver cirrhosis, sepsis, irritable bowel disease, Crohn's disease, depression, schizophrenia, a memory disorder, a cognitive disorder or a movement disorder; and (c) a physiologically acceptable carrier or excipient.

The present invention also provides packaged pharmaceutical preparations, comprising: (a) a composition comprising a compound as described above in a container; and (b) instructions for using the composition to treat one or more conditions responsive to CB1 modulation.

Within further aspects, the present invention provides methods for determining the presence or absence of CB1 in a sample, comprising: (a) contacting a sample with a compound as described herein under conditions that permit binding of the compound to CB1; and (b) detecting a signal indicative of a level of the compound bound to CB1.

In yet another aspect, the invention provides methods of preparing the compounds disclosed herein, including the intermediates.

These and other aspects of the present invention will become apparent upon reference to the following detailed description.

## DETAILED DESCRIPTION

As noted above, the present invention provides diaryl triazolones. Such compounds may be used *in vitro* or *in vivo* in a variety of contexts as described herein.

## TERMINOLOGY

Compounds are generally described herein using standard nomenclature. For compounds having asymmetric centers, it should be understood that (unless otherwise specified) all of the optical isomers and mixtures thereof are encompassed. In addition, compounds with carbon-carbon double bonds may occur in *Z*- and *E*- forms, with all isomeric forms of the compounds being included in the present invention unless otherwise specified. If a compound exists in various tautomeric forms, a recited compound is not limited to any one specific tautomer, but rather is intended to encompass all tautomeric forms. Certain compounds are described herein using a general formula that includes



variables (e.g., X, A, Ar<sub>1</sub>). Unless otherwise specified, each variable within such a formula is defined independently of any other variable, and any variable that occurs more than one time in a formula is defined independently at each occurrence.

5 The term "diaryl triazolones" encompasses all compounds of Formula I, which compounds may or may not further satisfy one or more additional other formulas provided herein, and includes pharmaceutically acceptable salts, solvates and esters of such compounds.

A "pharmaceutically acceptable salt" of a compound recited herein is an acid or base salt that is suitable for use in contact with the tissues of human beings or animals without excessive toxicity or carcinogenicity, and preferably without irritation, allergic response, or other problem or complication. 10 Such salts include mineral and organic acid salts of basic residues such as amines, as well as alkali or organic salts of acidic residues such as carboxylic acids. Specific pharmaceutically acceptable salts include, but are not limited to, salts of acids such as hydrochloric, phosphoric, hydrobromic, malic, glycolic, fumaric, sulfuric, sulfamic, sulfanilic, formic, toluenesulfonic, methanesulfonic, benzene sulfonic, camphorsulfonic, ethane disulfonic, 2-hydroxyethylsulfonic, nitric, benzoic, 2- 15 acetoxybenzoic, citric, tartaric, lactic, stearic, salicylic, glutamic, ascorbic, pamoic, succinic, maleic, propionic, hydroxymaleic, hydroiodic, phenylacetic, alkanolic such as acetic, HOOC-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>-COOH where n is 0-4, and the like. Similarly, pharmaceutically acceptable cations include, but are not limited to sodium, potassium, calcium, aluminum, lithium and ammonium. Those of ordinary skill in the art will recognize further pharmaceutically acceptable salts for the compounds provided herein, including 20 those listed in *Remington's Pharmaceutical Sciences*, 18th ed., Mack Publishing Company, Easton, PA, p. 1418 (1990) and in particular, the discussion and Table II appearing under the heading "Salt Formation" spanning pages 1444-45 thereof, which is incorporated herein by reference for its disclosures regarding pharmaceutically acceptable salts, or the equivalent disclosure in *Remington: The Science and Practice of Pharmacy*, 21<sup>st</sup> ed., Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, Philadelphia, PA 25 (2005). In general, a pharmaceutically acceptable acid or base salt can be synthesized from a parent compound that contains a basic or acidic moiety by any conventional chemical method. Briefly, such salts can be prepared by reacting the free acid or base forms of these compounds with a stoichiometric amount of the appropriate base or acid in water or in an organic solvent, or in a mixture of the two; generally, the use of nonaqueous media, such as ether, ethyl acetate, ethanol, isopropanol or 30 acetonitrile, is preferred.

It will be apparent that each compound provided herein may, but need not, be formulated as a solvate (e.g., hydrate) or non-covalent complex. In addition, the various crystal forms and polymorphs are within the scope of the present invention. Also provided herein are prodrugs of the compounds provided herein. A "prodrug" is a compound that may not fully satisfy the structural requirements of 35 the compounds provided herein, but is modified *in vivo*, following administration to a patient, to produce a compound provided herein. For example, a prodrug may be an acylated derivative of a compound as provided herein. Prodrugs include compounds wherein hydroxy, amine or sulfhydryl

groups are bonded to any group that, when administered to a mammalian subject, cleaves to form a free hydroxy, amino, or sulfhydryl group, respectively. Examples of prodrugs include, but are not limited to, acetate, formate, phosphate and benzoate derivatives of alcohol and amine functional groups within the compounds provided herein. Prodrugs of the compounds provided herein may be prepared by modifying functional groups present in the compounds in such a way that the modifications are cleaved *in vivo* to yield the parent compounds.

As used herein, the term "alkyl" refers to a straight or branched chain saturated aliphatic hydrocarbon. Certain alkyl groups include those having from 1 to 8 carbon atoms (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl), from 1 to 6 carbon atoms (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl) and from 1 to 4 carbon atoms (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl), such as methyl, ethyl, propyl, isopropyl, n-butyl, *sec*-butyl, *tert*-butyl, pentyl, 2-pentyl, isopentyl, neopentyl, hexyl, 2-hexyl, 3-hexyl or 3-methylpentyl. "C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl" refers to a single covalent bond (C<sub>0</sub>) or an alkyl group having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms.

"Alkylene" refers to a divalent alkyl group. C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkylene is an alkylene group having 1, 2, 3 or 4 carbon atoms. C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkylene refers to a single covalent bond or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkylene.

"Alkenyl" refers to straight or branched chain alkene groups, which comprise at least one unsaturated carbon-carbon double bond. Alkenyl groups include, for example, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkenyl and C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkenyl groups, which have from 2 to 8, 2 to 6 or 2 to 4 carbon atoms, respectively, such as ethenyl, allyl or isopropenyl. "Alkynyl" refers to straight or branched chain alkyne groups, which have one or more unsaturated carbon-carbon bonds, at least one of which is a triple bond. Alkynyl groups include, for example, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkynyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkynyl and C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkynyl groups, which have from 2 to 8, 2 to 6 or 2 to 4 carbon atoms, respectively.

A "cycloalkyl" is a saturated or partially saturated cyclic group in which all ring members are carbon, such as cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl, and adamantyl, or a partially saturated variant of any of the foregoing. Certain cycloalkyl groups are C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>cycloalkyl, in which the cycloalkyl group comprises one or more rings and contains from 3 to 10 ring members, all of which are carbon. A "(C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl" is a C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>cycloalkyl group linked via a single covalent bond or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkylene.

By "alkoxy," as used herein, is meant an alkyl group as described above attached via an oxygen bridge. Certain alkoxy groups are C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy groups, which have from 1 to 6 or 1 to 4 carbon atoms, respectively. Methoxy, ethoxy, propoxy, isopropoxy, n-butoxy, *sec*-butoxy, *tert*-butoxy, n-pentoxy, 2-pentoxy, 3-pentoxy, isopentoxy, neopentoxy, hexoxy, 2-hexoxy, 3-hexoxy, and 3-methylpentoxy are representative alkoxy groups.

"Alkylthio" refers to an alkyl group as described above attached via a sulfur bridge (*i.e.*, -S-alkyl).

The term "oxo," as used herein refers to a keto group (C=O). An oxo group that is a substituent of a nonaromatic carbon atom results in a conversion of -CH<sub>2</sub>- to -C(=O)-. An oxo group

that is a substituent of an aromatic carbon atom results in a conversion of  $-\text{CH}-$  to  $-\text{C}(=\text{O})-$  and may result in a loss of aromaticity.

"Alkylsulfinyl" refers to groups of the formula  $-(\text{SO})-\text{alkyl}$ , in which the sulfur atom is the point of attachment. Representative alkylsulfinyl groups include  $\text{C}_1-\text{C}_6$ alkylsulfinyl and  $\text{C}_1-\text{C}_4$ alkylsulfinyl groups, which have from 1 to 6 or 1 to 4 carbon atoms, respectively.

"Alkylsulfonyl" refers to groups of the formula  $-(\text{SO}_2)-\text{alkyl}$ , in which the sulfur atom is the point of attachment. Representative alkylsulfonyl groups include  $\text{C}_1-\text{C}_6$ alkylsulfonyl and  $\text{C}_1-\text{C}_4$ alkylsulfonyl groups, which have from 1 to 6 or 1 to 4 carbon atoms, respectively. " $\text{C}_1-\text{C}_8$ alkylsulfonyl $\text{C}_0-\text{C}_4$ alkyl" is a  $\text{C}_1-\text{C}_8$ alkylsulfonyl group linked via a single covalent bond or a  $\text{C}_1-\text{C}_4$ alkylene group.

The term "alkanoyl" refers to an acyl group (*e.g.*,  $-\text{C}(=\text{O})-\text{alkyl}$ ), where attachment is through the carbon of the keto group. Alkanoyl groups include, for example,  $\text{C}_2-\text{C}_8$ alkanoyl,  $\text{C}_2-\text{C}_6$ alkanoyl and  $\text{C}_2-\text{C}_4$ alkanoyl groups, which have from 2 to 8, 2 to 6 or 2 to 4 carbon atoms, respectively. " $\text{C}_1$ alkanoyl" refers to  $-\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{H}$ , which (along with  $\text{C}_2-\text{C}_8$ alkanoyl) is encompassed by the term " $\text{C}_1-\text{C}_8$ alkanoyl." Ethanoyl is  $\text{C}_2$ alkanoyl.

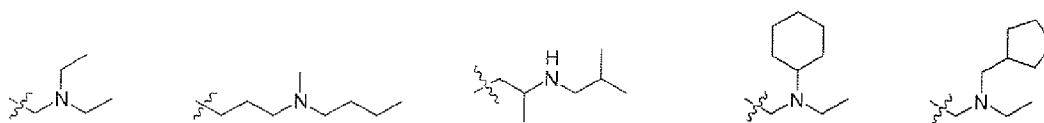
An "alkanone" is a ketone group in which carbon atoms are in a linear or branched alkyl arrangement. " $\text{C}_3-\text{C}_8$ alkanone" refers to an alkanone having from 3 to 8 carbon atoms. A  $\text{C}_3$  alkanone has the structure  $-\text{CH}_2-\text{C}(=\text{O})-\text{CH}_3$ .

Similarly, "alkyl ether" refers to a linear or branched ether substituent. Representative alkyl ether groups include  $\text{C}_2-\text{C}_8$ alkyl ether,  $\text{C}_2-\text{C}_6$ alkyl ether and  $\text{C}_2-\text{C}_4$ alkyl ether groups, which have 2 to 8, 6 or 4 carbon atoms, respectively. A  $\text{C}_2$  alkyl ether has the structure  $-\text{CH}_2-\text{O}-\text{CH}_3$ .

The term "alkoxycarbonyl" refers to an alkoxy group linked via a carbonyl (*i.e.*, a group having the general structure  $-\text{C}(=\text{O})-\text{O}-\text{alkyl}$ ). Certain alkoxycarbonyl groups include  $\text{C}_1-\text{C}_8$ ,  $\text{C}_1-\text{C}_6$  and  $\text{C}_1-\text{C}_4$ alkoxycarbonyl groups, which have from 1 to 8, 6 or 4 carbon atoms, respectively, in the alkyl portion of the group. " $\text{C}_1$ alkoxycarbonyl" refers to  $-\text{C}(=\text{O})-\text{O}-\text{CH}_3$ .

"Alkylamino" refers to a secondary or tertiary amine that has the general structure  $-\text{NH}-\text{alkyl}$  or  $-\text{N}(\text{alkyl})(\text{alkyl})$ , wherein each alkyl is selected independently from alkyl, cycloalkyl and (cycloalkyl)alkyl groups. Such groups include, for example, mono- and di- $(\text{C}_1-\text{C}_8$ alkyl)amino groups, in which each  $\text{C}_1-\text{C}_8$ alkyl may be the same or different, as well as mono- and di- $(\text{C}_1-\text{C}_6$ alkyl)amino groups and mono- and di- $(\text{C}_1-\text{C}_4$ alkyl)amino groups.

"Alkylaminoalkyl" refers to an alkylamino group linked via an alkylene group (*i.e.*, a group having the general structure  $-\text{alkylene}-\text{NH}-\text{alkyl}$  or  $-\text{alkylene}-\text{N}(\text{alkyl})(\text{alkyl})$ ) in which each alkyl is selected independently from alkyl, cycloalkyl and (cycloalkyl)alkyl groups. Alkylaminoalkyl groups include, for example, mono- and di- $(\text{C}_1-\text{C}_8$ alkyl)amino $\text{C}_1-\text{C}_8$ alkyl. "Mono- or di- $(\text{C}_1-\text{C}_8$ alkyl)amino $\text{C}_0-\text{C}_4$ alkyl" refers to a mono- or di- $(\text{C}_1-\text{C}_8$ alkyl)amino group linked via a single covalent bond or a  $\text{C}_1-\text{C}_4$ alkylene group. The following are representative alkylaminoalkyl groups:



It will be apparent that the definition of "alkyl" as used in the terms "alkylamino" and "alkylaminoalkyl" differs from the definition of "alkyl" used for all other alkyl-containing groups, in the inclusion of cycloalkyl and (cycloalkyl)alkyl groups (*e.g.*, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl).

5 The term "aminocarbonyl" refers to an amide group (*i.e.*, -C(=O)NH<sub>2</sub>). "Mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminocarbonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl" refers to an aminocarbonyl group in which one or both hydrogens are replaced with an independently selected C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl group, and which is linked via a single covalent bond or a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkylene group.

10 The term "aminosulfonyl" refers to a sulfonamide group (*i.e.*, -SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>). "Mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl" refers to an aminosulfonyl group in which one or both hydrogens are replaced with an independently selected C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl group, and which is linked via a single covalent bond or a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkylene group.

The term "halogen" refers to fluorine, chlorine, bromine or iodine.

15 A "haloalkyl" is an alkyl group that is substituted with 1 or more independently chosen halogens (*e.g.*, "C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>haloalkyl" groups have from 1 to 8 carbon atoms; "C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl" groups have from 1 to 6 carbon atoms). Examples of haloalkyl groups include, but are not limited to, mono-, di- or tri-fluoromethyl; mono-, di- or tri-chloromethyl; mono-, di-, tri-, tetra- or penta-fluoroethyl; mono-, di-, tri-, tetra- or penta-chloroethyl; and 1,2,2,2-tetrafluoro-1-trifluoromethyl-ethyl. Typical haloalkyl groups are trifluoromethyl and difluoromethyl. The term "haloalkoxy" refers to a haloalkyl group as  
20 defined above attached via an oxygen bridge. "C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>haloalkoxy" groups have 1 to 8 carbon atoms.

A dash ("-") that is not between two letters or numbers is used to indicate a point of attachment for a substituent. For example, -C(=O)NH<sub>2</sub> is attached through the carbon atom.

A "carbocycle" has from 1 to 3 fused, pendant or spiro rings, each of which has only carbon ring members. Typically, a carbocycle that has a single ring contains from 3 to 8 ring members (*i.e.*,  
25 C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>carbocycles); rings having from 4 to 6 ring members are recited in certain embodiments. Carbocycles comprising fused, pendant or spiro rings typically contain from 9 to 14 ring members. Carbocycles may be optionally substituted with a variety of substituents, as indicated. Unless otherwise specified, a carbocycle may be a cycloalkyl group (*i.e.*, each ring is saturated or partially saturated as described above) or an aryl group (*i.e.*, at least one ring within the group is aromatic).  
30 Phenyl groups linked via a single covalent bond or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkylene group are designated phenylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl (*e.g.*, benzyl, 1-phenyl-ethyl, 1-phenyl-propyl and 2-phenyl-ethyl). A phenylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy group is a phenyl ring linked via an oxygen bridge or via an alkoxy group having from 1 to 4 carbon atoms (*e.g.*, phenoxy or benzoxy).

35 A "heterocycle" (also referred to herein as a "heterocyclic group") has from 1 to 3 fused, pendant or spiro rings, at least one of which is a heterocyclic ring (*i.e.*, one or more ring atoms is a

heteroatom independently chosen from oxygen, sulfur and nitrogen, with the remaining ring atoms being carbon). Typically, a heterocyclic ring comprises 1, 2, 3 or 4 heteroatoms; within certain embodiments each heterocyclic ring has 1 or 2 heteroatoms per ring. Each heterocyclic ring generally contains from 4 to 8 ring members (rings having from 4 to 6 ring members are recited in certain  
5 embodiments). Certain heterocycles comprise a sulfur atom as a ring member; in certain embodiments, the sulfur atom is oxidized to SO or SO<sub>2</sub>. Heterocycles may be optionally substituted with a variety of substituents, as indicated.

Certain heterocycles are heteroaryl groups (*i.e.*, at least one heterocyclic ring within the group is aromatic), such as a 5- to 10-membered heteroaryl (which may be monocyclic or bicyclic) or a 6-  
10 membered heteroaryl (*e.g.*, pyridyl or pyrimidyl). Other heterocycles are heterocycloalkyl groups. Certain heterocycles may be linked by a single covalent bond or via an alkylene group, as indicated, for example, by the term "(4- to 8-membered heterocycle)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl." Heterocycles may also be linked via an oxygen or alkoxy group, as indicated, for example, by the term "(4- to 8-membered heterocycle)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy."

15 A "substituent," as used herein, refers to a molecular moiety that is covalently bonded to an atom within a molecule of interest. For example, a "ring substituent" may be a moiety such as a halogen, alkyl group, haloalkyl group or other group discussed herein that is covalently bonded to an atom (such as a carbon or nitrogen atom) that is a ring member. The term "substitution" refers to replacing a hydrogen atom in a molecular structure with a substituent as described above, such that the  
20 valence on the designated atom is not exceeded, and such that a chemically stable compound (*i.e.*, a compound that can be isolated, characterized, and tested for biological activity) results from the substitution.

Groups that are "optionally substituted" are unsubstituted or are substituted by other than hydrogen at one or more available positions, typically 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 positions, by one or more suitable  
25 groups (which may be the same or different). Optional substitution is also indicated by the phrase "substituted with from 0 to X substituents," where X is the maximum number of possible substituents. Certain optionally substituted groups are substituted with from 0 to 2, 3 or 4 independently selected substituents (*i.e.*, are unsubstituted or substituted with up to the recited maximum number of substituents).

30 "CB1," as used herein, refers to the human cannabinoid receptor reported by Hoeche et al. (1991) *New Biol.* 3(9):880-85, as well as allelic variants thereof and homologues thereof found in other species.

A "CB1 antagonist" is a compound that detectably inhibits signal transduction mediated by CB1. Such inhibition may be determined using the representative agonist-induced GTP binding assay  
35 provided in Example 14. Preferred CB1 antagonists have an IC<sub>50</sub> of 2 μM or less in this assay, more preferably 1 μM or less, and still more preferably 500 nM or less or 100 nM or less. In certain embodiments, the CB1 antagonist is specific for CB1 (*i.e.*, the IC<sub>50</sub> value in a similar assay performed

using the predominantly peripheral cannabinoid receptor CB2 is greater than 2  $\mu\text{M}$  and/or the  $\text{IC}_{50}$  ratio (CB2/CB1) is at least 10, preferably 100, and more preferably at least 1000). CB1 antagonists preferably have minimal agonist activity (*i.e.*, induce an increase in the basal activity of CB1 that is less than 5% of the increase that would be induced by one  $\text{EC}_{50}$  of the agonist CP55,940, and more preferably have no detectable agonist activity within the assay described in Example 14). CB1 antagonists for use as described herein are generally non-toxic. CB1 antagonists include neutral antagonists and inverse agonists.

A "neutral antagonist" of CB1 is a compound that inhibits the activity of CB1 agonist (*e.g.*, endocannabinoids) at CB1, but does not significantly change the basal activity of the receptor (*i.e.*, within a GTP binding assay as described in Example 14 performed in the absence of agonist, CB1 activity is reduced by no more than 10%, more preferably by no more than 5%, and even more preferably by no more than 2%; most preferably, there is no detectable reduction in activity). Neutral antagonists may, but need not, also inhibit the binding of agonist to CB1.

An "inverse agonist" of CB1 is a compound that reduces the activity of CB1 below its basal activity level in the absence of activating concentrations of agonist. Inverse agonists may also inhibit the activity of agonist at CB1, and/or may inhibit binding of CB1 agonist to CB1. The ability of a compound to inhibit the binding of CB1 agonist to the CB1 receptor may be measured by a binding assay, such as the radioligand binding assay given in Example 13. The reduction in basal activity of CB1 produced by an inverse agonist may be determined from a GTP binding assay, such as the assay of Example 14.

A "non-competitive CB1 antagonist" is a CB1 antagonist that (1) does not detectably inhibit binding of CB1 agonist (*e.g.*, CP55,940) to CB1 at antagonist concentrations up to 10  $\mu\text{M}$  and (2) reduces the maximal functional response elicited by agonist. Compounds that satisfy these two conditions may be identified using the assays provided herein. Such compounds generally do not display detectable activity in the competition binding assay described in Example 13. In functional assays, a non-competitive antagonist concentration-dependently reduces the maximal functional response elicited by agonist without altering agonist  $\text{EC}_{50}$ . The suppression of functional activity by a non-competitive antagonist cannot be overcome by increasing agonist concentrations (*i.e.*, the antagonist activity is insurmountable).

A "therapeutically effective amount" (or dose) is an amount that, upon administration to a patient, results in a discernible patient benefit (*e.g.*, provides detectable relief from a condition being treated). Such relief may be detected using any appropriate criteria, including the alleviation of one or more symptoms of dependency or an appetite disorder, or the promotion of weight loss. In the case of appetite suppression, a therapeutically effective amount is sufficient to decrease patient appetite, as assessed using patient reporting or actual food intake. Such an amount is referred to herein as an "appetite reducing amount." A therapeutically effective amount or dose generally results in a concentration of compound in a body fluid (such as blood, plasma, serum, CSF, synovial fluid, lymph,

cellular interstitial fluid, tears or urine) that is sufficient to result in detectable alteration in CB1-mediated signal transduction (using an assay provided herein). The discernible patient benefit may be apparent after administration of a single dose, or may become apparent following repeated administration of the therapeutically effective dose according to a predetermined regimen, depending upon the indication for which the compound is administered.

A "patient" is any individual treated with a compound as provided herein. Patients include humans, as well as other animals such as companion animals (*e.g.*, dogs and cats) and livestock. Patients may be experiencing one or more symptoms of a condition responsive to CB1 modulation or may be free of such symptom(s) (*i.e.*, treatment may be prophylactic in a patient considered to be at risk for the development of such symptoms).

#### DIARYL TRIAZOLONES

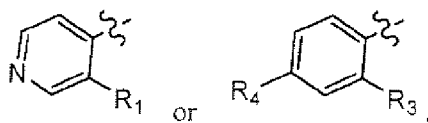
As noted above, the present invention provides diaryl triazolones of Formula I that may be used in a variety of contexts, including in the treatment of appetite disorders, obesity and addictive disorders. Such compounds may also be used within *in vitro* assays (*e.g.*, assays for CB1 activity), as probes for detection and localization of CB1 and within assays to identify CB1 antagonists.

In certain aspects, diaryl triazolones of Formula I further satisfy one or more additional Formulas provided herein. Within such Formulas, variables are generally as described above; in certain embodiments, such variables (where present) are as follows:

#### THE VARIABLES AR<sub>1</sub> AND AR<sub>2</sub>

Within certain compounds of the Formulas provided herein, the variables Ar<sub>1</sub> and Ar<sub>2</sub> are independently phenyl or pyridyl, each of which is substituted with one or two substituents independently chosen from halogen, hydroxy, cyano, amino, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkoxy. Representative Ar<sub>1</sub> groups include substituted pyridyl, such as pyridin-4-yl that is substituted at the 2-position (*e.g.*, pyridin-4-yl that is substituted at the 2-position with halogen, hydroxy, cyano, amino, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkoxy). One such Ar<sub>1</sub> group is pyridin-4-yl that is substituted at the 2-position with a halogen, such as Cl). Other representative Ar<sub>1</sub> groups include, for example, substituted phenyl, such as 2,4-disubstituted phenyl.

Certain Ar<sub>1</sub> groups satisfy the Formula:

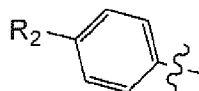


in which variables are as described for Formula V and Formula VI, above. Representative R<sub>1</sub> groups include halogens, such as Cl. Representative R<sub>3</sub> and R<sub>4</sub> groups include, for example, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>haloalkyl and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy, with halogen substituents preferred in certain embodiments.

Representative Ar<sub>2</sub> groups include, for example, substituted phenyl and substituted pyridyl. In certain embodiments, Ar<sub>2</sub> is substituted at the *para* position with a halogen (*e.g.*, Cl or F), hydroxy, cyano, amino, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>haloalkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxycarbonyl or

phenylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy. Within certain such compounds, Ar<sub>2</sub> is phenyl or pyridyl (e.g., pyridin-2-yl or pyridin-3-yl) that is substituted at the *para* position and is unsubstituted at other positions.

Certain Ar<sub>2</sub> groups satisfy the Formula:



5 in which R<sub>2</sub> is as described for Formula V, above. Representative R<sub>2</sub> groups include, for example, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy.

Within certain embodiments, one substituent of Ar<sub>2</sub> is located *para* to the point of attachment and/or one substituent of Ar<sub>1</sub> is located *ortho* to the point of attachment.

#### THE VARIABLE "R"

10 Certain R groups within Formula I and other Formulas provided comprise a group of the formula -L-A-X-B, -L-M-X-B, -L-X-A-B or -L-X-M-B, in which variables are as described above. Within -L-A-X-B and -L-M-X-B, "-X-B" represents an optional substituent on the ring portion of "A" or "M," which substituent replaces a hydrogen on a ring member. Thus, if X and B are both absent in such groups, the ring "A" or "M" is unsubstituted other than by substituents chosen from R<sub>B</sub>,  
 15 where indicated. Alternatively, within -L-A-X-B and -L-M-X-B, if X is absent and B is not absent, then B is directly linked to a ring member of "A" or "M". If X is one of the other groups listed, that group forms a linker between the "A" or "M" ring and the B moiety.

Certain representative R groups (e.g., of Formula II, IV, V or VI) include, for example, groups of the formula -L-A-X-B or -L-X-A-B, wherein:

20 L is C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>alkylene optionally substituted with oxo or hydroxy;  
 A is a 4- to 6-membered heterocycloalkyl group;  
 X is absent, -C(=O)-, -N(R<sub>X</sub>)C(=O)-, -C(=O)N(R<sub>X</sub>)- or -S(O<sub>2</sub>)-; wherein R<sub>X</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; and  
 B is absent or cyano, such that if B is absent or cyano, then X is absent; or B is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)amino or 4- to 7-membered heterocycloalkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from oxo, hydroxy and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl.

Other representative R groups comprise an aromatic moiety. Such R groups include, for example, groups of the formula -L-M-X-B or -L-X-M-B, wherein:

30 L is C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>alkylene optionally substituted with oxo or hydroxy;  
 M is phenylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl or (5- to 10-membered heteroaryl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from oxo, hydroxy and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl;  
 X is absent, -C(=O)-, -N(R<sub>X</sub>)C(=O)-, -C(=O)N(R<sub>X</sub>)- or -S(O<sub>2</sub>)-; wherein R<sub>X</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; and

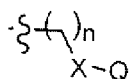


B is absent or cyano, such that if B is absent or cyano, then X is absent; or B is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)amino, or 4- to 7-membered heterocycloalkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from oxo, hydroxy, and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl.

5 In certain embodiments of Formula II and other Formulas, R is C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl (*e.g.*, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl or C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl), C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkenyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, or (4- to 8-membered heterocycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 4 substituents independently chosen from: (i) oxo and hydroxy; and (ii) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, (C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)sulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, and mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; each of which is substituted with 0, 1 or 2 oxo moieties. Representative R groups include, for example, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkenyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>7</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl ether, and mono- and di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 4 substituents independently chosen from oxo, hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy and (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)sulfonyl. Certain such R groups include alkanoyl and alkanone groups (*e.g.*, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkanoyl and C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkanone).

15 In certain embodiments of Formulas IV, V and VI, and other Formulas, R is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkynyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, or (4- to 8-membered heterocycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 4 substituents independently chosen from: (i) oxo and hydroxy; and (ii) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, (C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)sulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, and mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; each of which is substituted with 0, 1 or 2 oxo moieties. Representative R groups include, for example, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkynyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>7</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl ether, and mono- and di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 4 substituents independently chosen from oxo, hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy and (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)sulfonyl. Certain such R groups include alkanoyl and alkanone groups (*e.g.*, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkanoyl and C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkanone).

Certain R moieties satisfy the Formula:



30 in which X is as described above; n is 1, 2 or 3; and Q is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl or 4- to 7-membered heterocycloalkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from oxo, hydroxy and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl.

35 Further representative R groups include C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl that is substituted with 1 or 2 substituents independently chosen from halogen, cyano, hydroxy, amino and oxo (*e.g.*, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl that is substituted with one hydroxy group or one oxo group). Certain such R groups include alkanoyl and alkanone groups (*e.g.*, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkanoyl and C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkanone).

Representative diaryl triazolones provided herein include, but are not limited to, those specifically described in the Examples below. It will be apparent that the specific compounds recited herein are representative only, and are not intended to limit the scope of the present invention. Further, as noted above, all compounds of the present invention may be present as a free acid or base or as a pharmaceutically acceptable salt.

Within certain aspects, as noted above, diaryl triazolones provided herein are CB1 antagonists. Certain such compounds are non-competitive CB1 antagonists. In addition, or alternatively, certain compounds provided herein are specific for CB1. CB1 antagonist activity may be confirmed using an agonist-induced GTP binding assay, such as the assay described in Example 14, herein. Such assays employ a CB1-containing cell membrane preparation (*e.g.*, a preparation of membranes of insect cells that recombinantly express CB1) to determine the effect of a test compound on CB1 agonist-induced GTP binding to CB1. Briefly, a first cell membrane preparation comprising CB1 is contacted with: (i) labeled GTP; (ii) a CB1 agonist; and (iii) a test compound to yield a test membrane preparation. Simultaneously, or in either order, a second cell membrane preparation comprising CB1 is contacted with: (i) labeled GTP; and (ii) a CB1 agonist to yield a control membrane preparation. The labeled GTP is preferably GTP $\gamma$ <sup>35</sup>S; a representative CB1 agonist is CP55,940. Such contact is performed under conditions that are suitable for GTP binding to CB1, such as the conditions described in Example 14. The concentrations of labeled GTP and CB1 agonist used are generally concentrations that are sufficient to result in a detectable increase in the amount of labeled GTP bound to the membrane preparation in the presence of CB1 agonist. Such concentrations may be determined by routine experimentation; representative suitable concentrations are provided in Example 14. Generally, a range of test compound concentrations is used (*e.g.*, ranging from 10<sup>-10</sup>M to 10<sup>-5</sup>M).

After sufficient contact (*e.g.*, incubation) to allow GTP binding to the membrane preparations, a signal that corresponds to (represents) the amount of bound, labeled GTP is detected (typically, unbound labeled GTP is first removed via a washing step). In other words, simultaneously or in either order: (i) a test signal that represents an amount of bound, labeled GTP in the test membrane preparation is detected; and (ii) a control signal that represents an amount of bound, labeled GTP in the control membrane preparation is detected. The nature of the signal detected is determined by the type of label used. For example, if the GTP is radioactively labeled, the signal detected is radioactive decay (*e.g.*, via liquid scintillation spectrometry). The CB1 antagonist activity of the test compound is then determined by comparing the test signal with the control signal. A test signal that is lower than the control signal indicates that the test compound is a CB1 antagonist.

In certain embodiments, preferred compounds are cannabinoid receptor-specific. This means that they only bind to, activate, or inhibit the activity of certain receptors other than cannabinoid receptors (preferably other than CB1) with affinity constants of greater than 100 nanomolar, preferably greater than 1 micromolar, more preferably greater than 4 micromolar. Alternatively, or in addition, such compounds exhibit 200-fold greater affinity for CB1 than for other cellular receptors. Such other

non-cannabinoid cellular receptors include histamine receptors, bioactive peptide receptors (including NPY receptors such as NPY Y5), and hormone receptors (e.g., melanin-concentrating hormone receptors). Assays for evaluating binding to such receptors are well known, and include those disclosed in US patent 6,566,367, which is incorporated herein by reference for its disclosure of NPY receptor binding assays in Example 676 columns 82-83; and in PCT International Application Publication No. WO 02/094799 which is incorporated herein by reference for its disclosure of an MCH receptor binding assay in Example 2, pages 108-109.

Utility of the compounds provided herein for the various diseases and disorders may be demonstrated in animal disease models that are known in the art, such as:

Colombo et al. (1998) *Life Sciences* 63:113-17 and Vickers and Kennett (2005) *Curr. Drug. Targets* 6:215-23 – food intake and weight loss (rats)

Simiand et al. (1998) *Behavioral Pharm.* 9:179-181 – sweet food intake (marmosets)

Rowland et al. (2001) *Psychopharm.* 159:111-16 – food intake (rats)

Arnone et al. (1997) *Psychopharm.* 132:104-106 – sucrose and ethanol intake (mice)

Colombo et al. (2004) *Eur. J. Pharmacol.* 498:119-23 – alcohol motivational properties (rats)

Serra et al. (2002) *Eur. J. Pharmacol.* 443:95-97 – alcohol deprivation effect (rats)

Rubino et al. (2000) *Life Sciences* 22:2213-29 – opiate withdrawal syndrome (rats)

Chaperon et al. (1998) *Psychopharm.* 135:324-32 – motor activity, place conditioning (rats)

Abraham et al. (1993) *J. Clin. Invest.* 93:776 and Milne and Piper (1995) *Eur. J. Pharmacol.*

282:243 – bronchial hyperresponsiveness (sheep and guinea pigs)

Kadoi et al. (2005) *British Journal of Anaesthesia* 94(5):563-68 – septic shock (rats)

Batkai et al. (2001) *Nature Medicine* 7(7):827-32 – vasodilation in liver cirrhosis (rats)

Tsusumi et al. (2000) *Biol. Pharm. Bull. (Japan)* 23(5):657-59 – constipation (monkeys)

Kapur (2001) *J. Pathology* 194(3):277-88 – chronic intestinal pseudo-obstruction (rodents)

Teixeira-Clerc et. al. (2006) *Nature Medicine* CB1 antagonism prevents liver fibrosis (rats)

If desired, diaryl triazolones provided herein may be evaluated for certain pharmacological properties including, but not limited to, oral bioavailability (preferred compounds are orally bioavailable to an extent allowing for therapeutically effective doses of less than 140 mg/kg, preferably less than 50 mg/kg, more preferably less than 30 mg/kg, even more preferably less than 10 mg/kg, still more preferably less than 1 mg/kg and most preferably less than 0.1 mg/kg), toxicity (a preferred compound is nontoxic when a therapeutically effective amount is administered to a subject), side effects (a preferred compound produces side effects comparable to placebo when a therapeutically effective amount of the compound is administered to a subject), serum protein binding and *in vitro* and *in vivo* half-life (a preferred compound exhibits an *in vivo* half-life allowing for Q.I.D. dosing, preferably T.I.D. dosing, more preferably B.I.D. dosing, and most preferably once-a-day dosing). In addition, differential penetration of the blood brain barrier may be desirable. Routine assays that are

well known in the art may be used to assess these properties, and identify superior compounds for a particular use. For example, assays used to predict bioavailability include transport across human intestinal cell monolayers, including Caco-2 cell monolayers. Penetration of the blood brain barrier of a compound in humans may be predicted from the brain levels of the compound in laboratory animals given the compound (*e.g.*, intravenously). Serum protein binding may be predicted from albumin binding assays. Compound half-life is inversely proportional to the frequency of dosage of a compound. *In vitro* half-lives of compounds may be predicted from assays of microsomal half-life as described herein.

As noted above, preferred compounds provided herein are nontoxic. In general, the term "nontoxic" as used herein shall be understood in a relative sense and is intended to refer to any substance that has been approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") for administration to mammals (preferably humans) or, in keeping with established criteria, is susceptible to approval by the FDA for administration to mammals (preferably humans). In addition, a preferred nontoxic compound generally satisfies one or more of the following criteria: (1) does not substantially inhibit cellular ATP production; (2) does not significantly prolong heart QT intervals; (3) does not cause substantial liver enlargement, or (4) does not cause substantial release of liver enzymes.

As used herein, a compound that does not substantially inhibit cellular ATP production is a compound that satisfies the criteria set forth in Example 16, herein. In other words, cells treated as described in Example 16 with 100  $\mu$ M of such a compound exhibit ATP levels that are at least 50% of the ATP levels detected in untreated cells. In more highly preferred embodiments, such cells exhibit ATP levels that are at least 80% of the ATP levels detected in untreated cells.

A compound that does not significantly prolong heart QT intervals is a compound that does not result in a statistically significant prolongation of heart QT intervals (as determined by electrocardiography) in guinea pigs, minipigs or dogs upon administration of a dose that yields a serum concentration equal to the EC<sub>50</sub> or IC<sub>50</sub> for the compound. In certain preferred embodiments, a dose of 0.01, 0.05, 0.1, 0.5, 1, 5, 10, 40 or 50 mg/kg administered parenterally or orally does not result in a statistically significant prolongation of heart QT intervals. By "statistically significant" is meant results varying from control at the  $p < 0.1$  level or more preferably at the  $p < 0.05$  level of significance as measured using a standard parametric assay of statistical significance such as a student's T test.

A compound does not cause substantial liver enlargement if daily treatment of laboratory rodents (*e.g.*, mice or rats) for 5-10 days with a dose that yields a serum concentration equal to the EC<sub>50</sub> or IC<sub>50</sub> for the compound results in an increase in liver to body weight ratio that is no more than 100% over matched controls. In more highly preferred embodiments, such doses do not cause liver enlargement of more than 75% or 50% over matched controls. If non-rodent mammals (*e.g.*, dogs) are used, such doses should not result in an increase of liver to body weight ratio of more than 50%, preferably not more than 25%, and more preferably not more than 10% over matched untreated

controls. Preferred doses within such assays include 0.01, 0.05, 0.1, 0.5, 1, 5, 10, 40 or 50 mg/kg administered parenterally or orally.

Similarly, a compound does not promote substantial release of liver enzymes if administration of twice the minimum dose that yields a serum concentration equal to the EC<sub>50</sub> or IC<sub>50</sub> for the compound does not elevate serum levels of ALT, LDH or AST in laboratory rodents by more than 100% over matched mock-treated controls. In more highly preferred embodiments, such doses do not elevate such serum levels by more than 75% or 50% over matched controls. Alternatively, a compound does not promote substantial release of liver enzymes if, in an *in vitro* hepatocyte assay, concentrations (in culture media or other such solutions that are contacted and incubated with hepatocytes *in vitro*) that are equal to the EC<sub>50</sub> or IC<sub>50</sub> for the compound do not cause detectable release of any of such liver enzymes into culture medium above baseline levels seen in media from matched mock-treated control cells. In more highly preferred embodiments, there is no detectable release of any of such liver enzymes into culture medium above baseline levels when such compound concentrations are five-fold, and preferably ten-fold the EC<sub>50</sub> or IC<sub>50</sub> for the compound.

In other embodiments, certain preferred compounds do not inhibit or induce microsomal cytochrome P450 enzyme activities, such as CYP1A2 activity, CYP2A6 activity, CYP2C9 activity, CYP2C19 activity, CYP2D6 activity, CYP2E1 activity or CYP3A4 activity at a concentration equal to the EC<sub>50</sub> or IC<sub>50</sub> for the compound.

Certain preferred compounds are not clastogenic (*e.g.*, as determined using a mouse erythrocyte precursor cell micronucleus assay, an Ames micronucleus assay, a spiral micronucleus assay or the like) at a concentration equal the EC<sub>50</sub> or IC<sub>50</sub> for the compound. In other embodiments, certain preferred compounds do not induce sister chromatid exchange (*e.g.*, in Chinese hamster ovary cells) at such concentrations.

For detection purposes, as discussed in more detail below, compounds provided herein may be isotopically-labeled or radiolabeled. For example, such compounds may have one or more atoms replaced by an atom of the same element having an atomic mass or mass number different from the atomic mass or mass number usually found in nature. Examples of isotopes that can be present in the compounds provided herein include isotopes of hydrogen, carbon, nitrogen, oxygen, phosphorous, fluorine and chlorine, such as <sup>2</sup>H, <sup>3</sup>H, <sup>11</sup>C, <sup>13</sup>C, <sup>14</sup>C, <sup>15</sup>N, <sup>18</sup>O, <sup>17</sup>O, <sup>31</sup>P, <sup>32</sup>P, <sup>35</sup>S, <sup>18</sup>F and <sup>36</sup>Cl. In addition, substitution with heavy isotopes such as deuterium (*i.e.*, <sup>2</sup>H) can afford certain therapeutic advantages resulting from greater metabolic stability, for example increased *in vivo* half-life or reduced dosage requirements and, hence, may be preferred in some circumstances.

#### PREPARATION OF DIARYL TRIAZOLONES

Compounds provided herein may generally be prepared using standard synthetic methods. In general, starting materials are commercially available from suppliers such as Sigma-Aldrich Corp. (St. Louis, MO), or may be synthesized from commercially available precursors using established protocols. By way of example, a synthetic route similar to that shown in any of the following Schemes

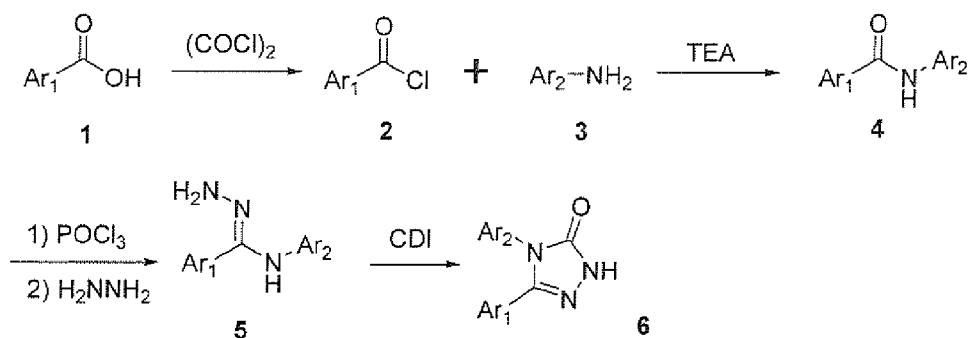
may be used, together with synthetic methods known in the art of synthetic organic chemistry, or variations thereon appreciated by those skilled in the art. It will be apparent that the reagents and synthetic transformations in the following Schemes can be readily modified to produce additional compounds of Formula I. Each variable in the following Schemes refers to any group consistent with  
5 the description of the compounds provided herein.

When a protecting group is required, an optional deprotection step may be employed. Suitable protecting groups and methodology for protection and deprotection, such as those described in *Protecting Groups in Organic Synthesis* by T. Greene, are well known. Compounds and intermediates requiring protection/deprotection will be readily apparent.

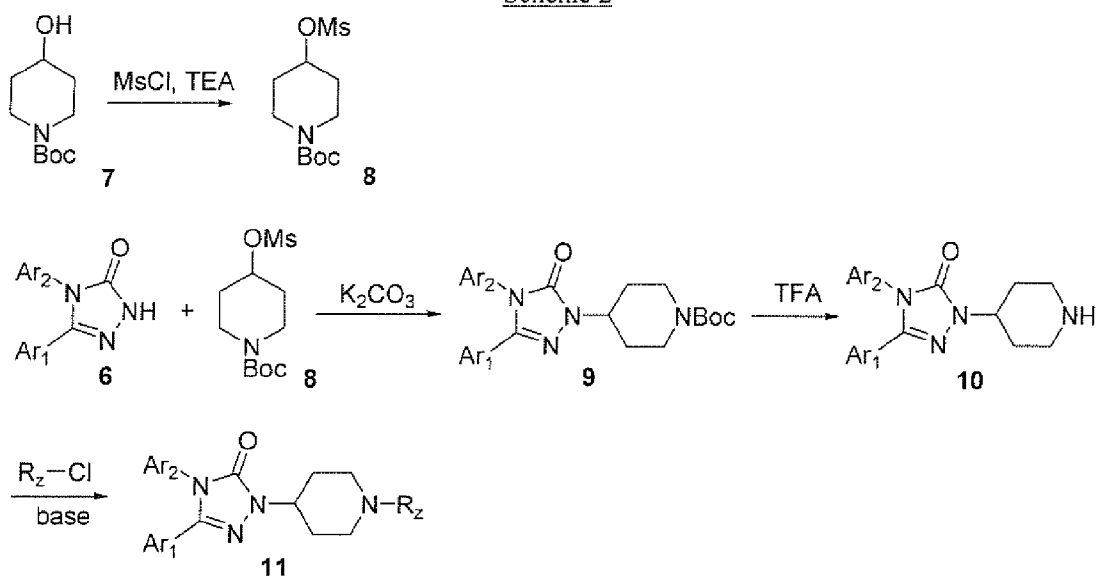
10 Certain definitions used in the following Schemes and in the Examples include:

CDI	1,1'-carbonyldiimidazole
DCM	dichloromethane
DMC	2-chloro-1,3-dimethylimidazolium chloride
EtOH	ethanol
15 EtOAc	ethyl acetate
h	hour(s)
<sup>1</sup> H NMR	proton nuclear magnetic resonance
Hz	hertz
LCMS	liquid chromatography-mass spectrometry
20 MeOH	methanol
M+1	mass + 1
Min	minute(s)
MS	mass spectrometry
Ms	methanesulfonyl
25 rt	room temperature
<sup>t</sup> BuOK	potassium <i>tert</i> -butoxide
TEA	triethylamine
TFA	trifluoroacetic acid
THF	tetrahydrofuran

Scheme 1

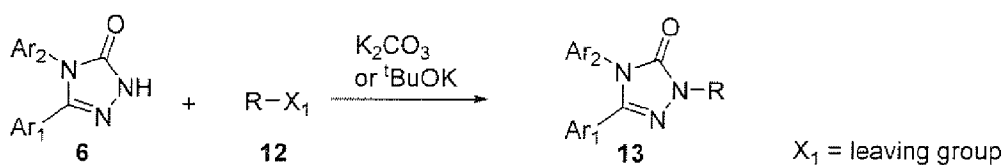


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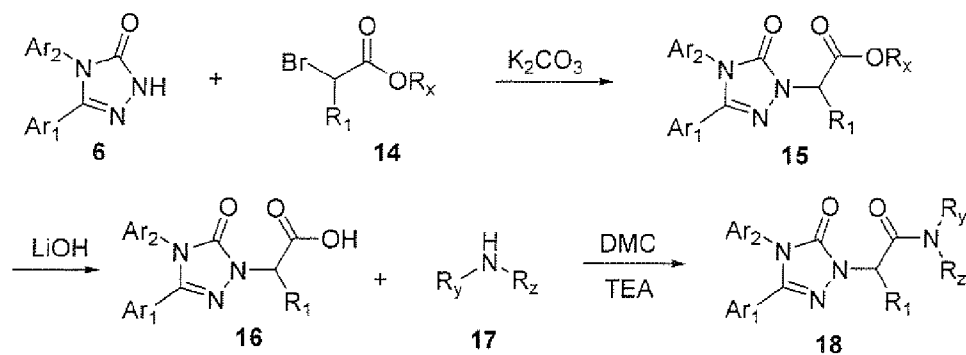


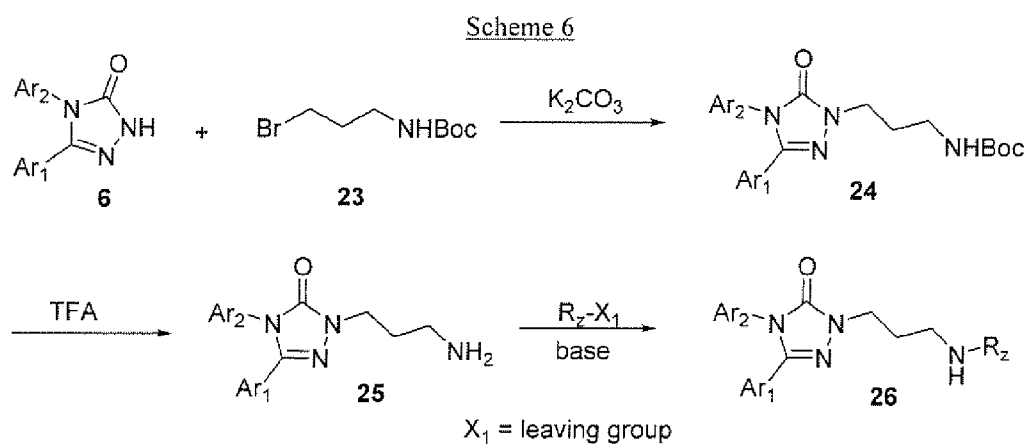
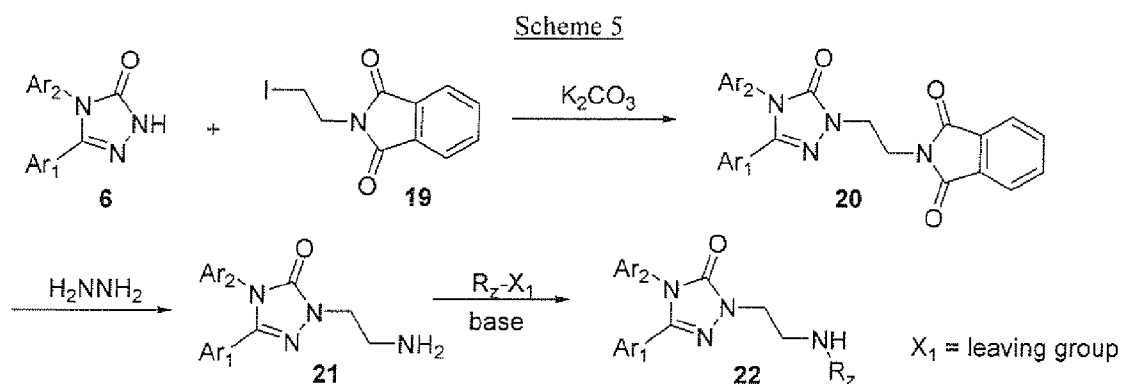
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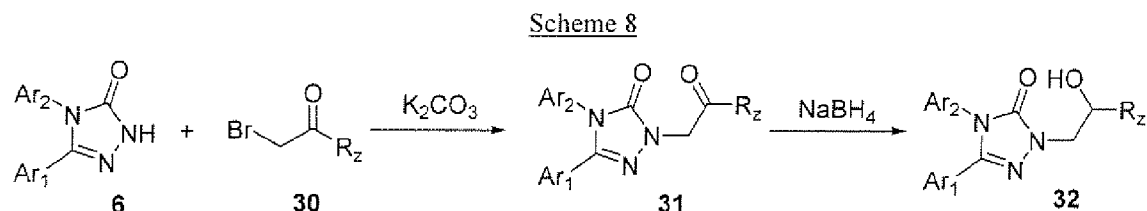
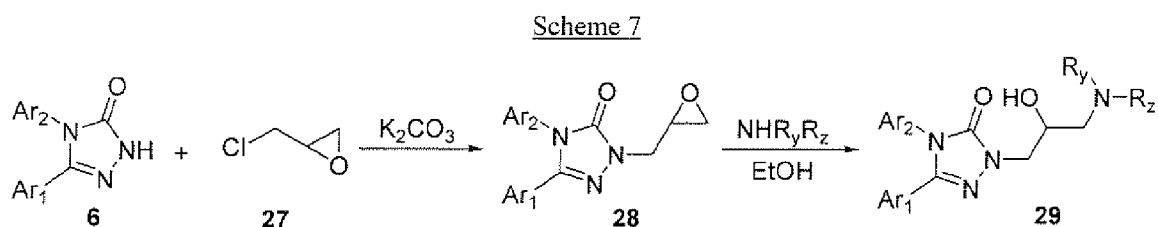


Scheme 4





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10 In certain embodiments, a compound provided herein may contain one or more asymmetric carbon atoms, so that the compound can exist in different stereoisomeric forms. Such forms can be, for example, racemates or optically active forms. As noted above, all stereoisomers are encompassed by the present invention. Nonetheless, it may be desirable to obtain single enantiomers (*i.e.*, optically active forms). Standard methods for preparing single enantiomers include asymmetric synthesis and resolution of the racemates. Resolution of the racemates can be accomplished, for example, by



conventional methods such as crystallization in the presence of a resolving agent, or chromatography using, for example a chiral HPLC column.

Compounds may be radiolabeled by carrying out their synthesis using precursors comprising at least one atom that is a radioisotope. Each radioisotope is preferably carbon (*e.g.*,  $^{14}\text{C}$ ), hydrogen (*e.g.*,  $^3\text{H}$ ), sulfur (*e.g.*,  $^{35}\text{S}$ ) or iodine (*e.g.*,  $^{125}\text{I}$ ). Tritium labeled compounds may also be prepared catalytically via platinum-catalyzed exchange in tritiated acetic acid, acid-catalyzed exchange in tritiated trifluoroacetic acid, or heterogeneous-catalyzed exchange with tritium gas using the compound as substrate. In addition, certain precursors may be subjected to tritium-halogen exchange with tritium gas, tritium gas reduction of unsaturated bonds, or reduction using sodium borotritide, as appropriate. Preparation of radiolabeled compounds may be conveniently performed by a radioisotope supplier specializing in custom synthesis of radiolabeled probe compounds.

#### PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS

The present invention also provides pharmaceutical compositions comprising one or more compounds provided herein, together with at least one physiologically acceptable carrier or excipient. Pharmaceutical compositions may comprise, for example, one or more of water, buffers (*e.g.*, sodium bicarbonate, neutral buffered saline or phosphate buffered saline), ethanol, mineral oil, vegetable oil, dimethylsulfoxide, carbohydrates (*e.g.*, glucose, mannose, sucrose, starch, mannitol or dextrans), proteins, adjuvants, polypeptides or amino acids such as glycine, antioxidants, chelating agents such as EDTA or glutathione and/or preservatives. In addition, other active ingredients may (but need not) be included in the pharmaceutical compositions provided herein.

Pharmaceutical compositions may be formulated for any appropriate manner of administration, including, for example, topical, oral, nasal, rectal or parenteral administration. The term parenteral as used herein includes subcutaneous, intradermal, intravascular (*e.g.*, intravenous), intramuscular, spinal, intracranial, intrathecal and intraperitoneal injection, as well as any similar injection or infusion technique. In certain embodiments, compositions suitable for oral use are preferred. Such compositions include, for example, tablets, troches, lozenges, aqueous or oily suspensions, dispersible powders or granules, emulsion, hard or soft capsules, or syrups or elixirs. Within yet other embodiments, compositions of the present invention may be formulated as a lyophilizate.

Compositions intended for oral use may further comprise one or more components such as sweetening agents, flavoring agents, coloring agents and/or preserving agents in order to provide appealing and palatable preparations. Tablets contain the active ingredient in admixture with physiologically acceptable excipients that are suitable for the manufacture of tablets. Such excipients include, for example, inert diluents (*e.g.*, calcium carbonate, sodium carbonate, lactose, calcium phosphate or sodium phosphate), granulating and disintegrating agents (*e.g.*, corn starch or alginic acid), binding agents (*e.g.*, starch, gelatin or acacia) and lubricating agents (*e.g.*, magnesium stearate, stearic acid or talc). Tablets may be formed using standard techniques, including dry granulation,

direct compression and wet granulation. The tablets may be uncoated or they may be coated by known techniques.

Formulations for oral use may also be presented as hard gelatin capsules wherein the active ingredient is mixed with an inert solid diluent (*e.g.*, calcium carbonate, calcium phosphate or kaolin), or as soft gelatin capsules wherein the active ingredient is mixed with water or an oil medium (*e.g.*, peanut oil, liquid paraffin or olive oil).

Aqueous suspensions contain the active material(s) in admixture with suitable excipients, such as suspending agents (*e.g.*, sodium carboxymethylcellulose, methylcellulose, hydropropylmethylcellulose, sodium alginate, polyvinylpyrrolidone, gum tragacanth and gum acacia); and dispersing or wetting agents (*e.g.*, naturally-occurring phosphatides such as lecithin, condensation products of an alkylene oxide with fatty acids such as polyoxyethylene stearate, condensation products of ethylene oxide with long chain aliphatic alcohols such as heptadecaethyleneoxycetanol, condensation products of ethylene oxide with partial esters derived from fatty acids and a hexitol such as polyoxyethylene sorbitol monooleate, or condensation products of ethylene oxide with partial esters derived from fatty acids and hexitol anhydrides such as polyethylene sorbitan monooleate). Aqueous suspensions may also comprise one or more preservatives, such as ethyl or n-propyl p-hydroxybenzoate, one or more coloring agents, one or more flavoring agents, and/or one or more sweetening agents, such as sucrose or saccharin.

Oily suspensions may be formulated by suspending the active ingredient(s) in a vegetable oil (*e.g.*, arachis oil, olive oil, sesame oil or coconut oil) or in a mineral oil such as liquid paraffin. The oily suspensions may contain a thickening agent such as beeswax, hard paraffin or cetyl alcohol. Sweetening agents such as those set forth above, and/or flavoring agents may be added to provide palatable oral preparations. Such suspensions may be preserved by the addition of an anti-oxidant such as ascorbic acid.

Dispersible powders and granules suitable for preparation of an aqueous suspension by the addition of water provide the active ingredient in admixture with a dispersing or wetting agent, a suspending agent and one or more preservatives. Suitable dispersing or wetting agents and suspending agents are exemplified by those already mentioned above. Additional excipients, such as sweetening, flavoring and coloring agents, may also be present.

Pharmaceutical compositions may also be formulated as oil-in-water emulsions. The oily phase may be a vegetable oil (*e.g.*, olive oil or arachis oil), a mineral oil (*e.g.*, liquid paraffin) or a mixture thereof. Suitable emulsifying agents include naturally-occurring gums (*e.g.*, gum acacia or gum tragacanth), naturally-occurring phosphatides (*e.g.*, soy bean lecithin, and esters or partial esters derived from fatty acids and hexitol), anhydrides (*e.g.*, sorbitan monooleate) and condensation products of partial esters derived from fatty acids and hexitol with ethylene oxide (*e.g.*, polyoxyethylene sorbitan monooleate). An emulsion may also comprise one or more sweetening and/or flavoring agents.

Syrups and elixirs may be formulated with sweetening agents, such as glycerol, propylene glycol, sorbitol or sucrose. Such formulations may also comprise one or more demulcents, preservatives, flavoring agents and/or coloring agents.

Formulations for topical administration typically comprise a topical vehicle combined with active agent(s), with or without additional optional components. Suitable topical vehicles and additional components are well known in the art, and it will be apparent that the choice of a vehicle will depend on the particular physical form and mode of delivery. Topical vehicles include water; organic solvents such as alcohols (e.g., ethanol or isopropyl alcohol) or glycerin; glycols (e.g., butylene, isoprene or propylene glycol); aliphatic alcohols (e.g., lanolin); mixtures of water and organic solvents and mixtures of organic solvents such as alcohol and glycerin; lipid-based materials such as fatty acids, acylglycerols (including oils, such as mineral oil, and fats of natural or synthetic origin), phosphoglycerides, sphingolipids and waxes; protein-based materials such as collagen and gelatin; silicone-based materials (both non-volatile and volatile); and hydrocarbon-based materials such as microsponges and polymer matrices. A composition may further include one or more components adapted to improve the stability or effectiveness of the applied formulation, such as stabilizing agents, suspending agents, emulsifying agents, viscosity adjusters, gelling agents, preservatives, antioxidants, skin penetration enhancers, moisturizers and sustained release materials. Examples of such components are described in Martindale--The Extra Pharmacopoeia (Pharmaceutical Press, London 1993) and *Remington: The Science and Practice of Pharmacy*, 21<sup>st</sup> ed., Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, Philadelphia, PA (2005). Formulations may comprise microcapsules, such as hydroxymethylcellulose or gelatin-microcapsules, liposomes, albumin microspheres, microemulsions, nanoparticles or nanocapsules.

A topical formulation may be prepared in any of a variety of physical forms including, for example, solids, pastes, creams, foams, lotions, gels, powders, aqueous liquids and emulsions. The physical appearance and viscosity of such pharmaceutically acceptable forms can be governed by the presence and amount of emulsifier(s) and viscosity adjuster(s) present in the formulation. Solids are generally firm and non-pourable and commonly are formulated as bars or sticks, or in particulate form; solids can be opaque or transparent, and optionally can contain solvents, emulsifiers, moisturizers, emollients, fragrances, dyes/colorants, preservatives and other active ingredients that increase or enhance the efficacy of the final product. Creams and lotions are often similar to one another, differing mainly in their viscosity; both lotions and creams may be opaque, translucent or clear and often contain emulsifiers, solvents, and viscosity adjusting agents, as well as moisturizers, emollients, fragrances, dyes/colorants, preservatives and other active ingredients that increase or enhance the efficacy of the final product. Gels can be prepared with a range of viscosities, from thick or high viscosity to thin or low viscosity. These formulations, like those of lotions and creams, may also contain solvents, emulsifiers, moisturizers, emollients, fragrances, dyes/colorants, preservatives and other active ingredients that increase or enhance the efficacy of the final product. Liquids are thinner

than creams, lotions, or gels and often do not contain emulsifiers. Liquid topical products often contain solvents, emulsifiers, moisturizers, emollients, fragrances, dyes/colorants, preservatives and other active ingredients that increase or enhance the efficacy of the final product.

5 A pharmaceutical composition may be prepared as a sterile injectible aqueous or oleaginous suspension. The compound(s) provided herein, depending on the vehicle and concentration used, can either be suspended or dissolved in the vehicle. Such a composition may be formulated according to the known art using suitable dispersing, wetting agents and/or suspending agents such as those mentioned above. Among the acceptable vehicles and solvents that may be employed are water, 1,3-butenediol, Ringer's solution and isotonic sodium chloride solution. In addition, sterile, fixed oils may  
10 be employed as a solvent or suspending medium. For this purpose any bland fixed oil may be employed, including synthetic mono- or diglycerides. In addition, fatty acids such as oleic acid find use in the preparation of injectible compositions, and adjuvants such as local anesthetics, preservatives and/or buffering agents can be dissolved in the vehicle.

15 Pharmaceutical compositions may also be formulated as suppositories (*e.g.*, for rectal administration). Such compositions can be prepared by mixing the drug with a suitable non-irritating excipient that is solid at ordinary temperatures but liquid at the rectal temperature and will therefore melt in the rectum to release the drug. Suitable excipients include, for example, cocoa butter and polyethylene glycols.

20 Compositions for inhalation typically can be provided in the form of a solution, suspension or emulsion that can be administered as a dry powder or in the form of an aerosol using a conventional propellant (*e.g.*, dichlorodifluoromethane or trichlorofluoromethane).

25 Pharmaceutical compositions may be formulated for release at a pre-determined rate. Instantaneous release may be achieved, for example, via sublingual administration (*i.e.*, administration by mouth in such a way that the active ingredient(s) are rapidly absorbed via the blood vessels under the tongue rather than via the digestive tract). Controlled release formulations (*i.e.*, formulations such as a capsule, tablet or coated tablet that slows and/or delays release of active ingredient(s) following  
30 administration) may be administered by, for example, oral, rectal or subcutaneous implantation, or by implantation at a target site. In general, a controlled release formulation comprises a matrix and/or coating that delays disintegration and absorption in the gastrointestinal tract (or implantation site) and thereby provides a delayed action or a sustained action over a longer period. One type of controlled-release formulation is a sustained-release formulation, in which at least one active ingredient is continuously released over a period of time at a constant rate. Preferably, the therapeutic agent is released at such a rate that blood (*e.g.*, plasma) concentrations are maintained within the therapeutic range, but below toxic levels, over a period of time that is at least 4 hours, preferably at least 8 hours,  
35 and more preferably at least 12 hours. Such formulations may generally be prepared using well known technology and administered by, for example, oral, rectal or subcutaneous implantation, or by implantation at the desired target site. Carriers for use within such formulations are biocompatible,

and may also be biodegradable; preferably the formulation provides a relatively constant level of modulator release. The amount of modulator contained within a sustained release formulation depends upon, for example, the site of implantation, the rate and expected duration of release and the nature of the condition to be treated or prevented.

5           Controlled release may be achieved by combining the active ingredient(s) with a matrix material that itself alters release rate and/or through the use of a controlled-release coating. The release rate can be varied using methods well known in the art, including (a) varying the thickness or composition of coating, (b) altering the amount or manner of addition of plasticizer in a coating, (c) including additional ingredients, such as release-modifying agents, (d) altering the composition,  
10           particle size or particle shape of the matrix, and (e) providing one or more passageways through the coating. The amount of modulator contained within a sustained release formulation depends upon, for example, the method of administration (*e.g.*, the site of implantation), the rate and expected duration of release and the nature of the condition to be treated or prevented.

          The matrix material, which itself may or may not serve a controlled-release function, is  
15           generally any material that supports the active ingredient(s). For example, a time delay material such as glyceryl monostearate or glyceryl distearate may be employed. Active ingredient(s) may be combined with matrix material prior to formation of the dosage form (*e.g.*, a tablet). Alternatively, or in addition, active ingredient(s) may be coated on the surface of a particle, granule, sphere, microsphere, bead or pellet that comprises the matrix material. Such coating may be achieved by  
20           conventional means, such as by dissolving the active ingredient(s) in water or other suitable solvent and spraying. Optionally, additional ingredients are added prior to coating (*e.g.*, to assist binding of the active ingredient(s) to the matrix material or to color the solution). The matrix may then be coated with a barrier agent prior to application of controlled-release coating. Multiple coated matrix units may, if desired, be encapsulated to generate the final dosage form.

25           In certain embodiments, a controlled release is achieved through the use of a controlled release coating (*i.e.*, a coating that permits release of active ingredient(s) at a controlled rate in aqueous medium). The controlled release coating should be a strong, continuous film that is smooth, capable of supporting pigments and other additives, non-toxic, inert and tack-free. Coatings that regulate release of the modulator include pH-independent coatings, pH-dependent coatings (which may be used to  
30           release modulator in the stomach) and enteric coatings (which allow the formulation to pass intact through the stomach and into the small intestine, where the coating dissolves and the contents are absorbed by the body). It will be apparent that multiple coatings may be employed (*e.g.*, to allow release of a portion of the dose in the stomach and a portion further along the gastrointestinal tract). For example, a portion of active ingredient(s) may be coated over an enteric coating, and thereby  
35           released in the stomach, while the remainder of active ingredient(s) in the matrix core is protected by the enteric coating and released further down the GI tract. pH dependent coatings include, for

example, shellac, cellulose acetate phthalate, polyvinyl acetate phthalate, hydroxypropylmethylcellulose phthalate, methacrylic acid ester copolymers and zein.

In certain embodiments, the coating is a hydrophobic material, preferably used in an amount effective to slow the hydration of the gelling agent following administration. Suitable hydrophobic materials include alkyl celluloses (*e.g.*, ethylcellulose or carboxymethylcellulose), cellulose ethers, cellulose esters, acrylic polymers (*e.g.*, poly(acrylic acid), poly(methacrylic acid), acrylic acid and methacrylic acid copolymers, methyl methacrylate copolymers, ethoxy ethyl methacrylates, cyanoethyl methacrylate, methacrylic acid alkamide copolymer, poly(methyl methacrylate), polyacrylamide, ammonio methacrylate copolymers, aminoalkyl methacrylate copolymer, poly(methacrylic acid anhydride) and glycidyl methacrylate copolymers) and mixtures of the foregoing. Representative aqueous dispersions of ethylcellulose include, for example, AQUACOAT® (FMC Corp., Philadelphia, PA) and SURELEASE® (Colorcon, Inc., West Point, PA), both of which can be applied to the substrate according to the manufacturer's instructions. Representative acrylic polymers include, for example, the various EUDRAGIT® (Rohm America, Piscataway, NJ) polymers, which may be used singly or in combination depending on the desired release profile, according to the manufacturer's instructions.

The physical properties of coatings that comprise an aqueous dispersion of a hydrophobic material may be improved by the addition of one or more plasticizers. Suitable plasticizers for alkyl celluloses include, for example, dibutyl sebacate, diethyl phthalate, triethyl citrate, tributyl citrate and triacetin. Suitable plasticizers for acrylic polymers include, for example, citric acid esters such as triethyl citrate and tributyl citrate, dibutyl phthalate, polyethylene glycols, propylene glycol, diethyl phthalate, castor oil and triacetin.

Controlled-release coatings are generally applied using conventional techniques, such as by spraying in the form of an aqueous dispersion. If desired, the coating may comprise pores or channels or to facilitate release of active ingredient. Pores and channels may be generated by well known methods, including the addition of organic or inorganic material that is dissolved, extracted or leached from the coating in the environment of use. Certain such pore-forming materials include hydrophilic polymers, such as hydroxyalkylcelluloses (*e.g.*, hydroxypropylmethylcellulose), cellulose ethers, synthetic water-soluble polymers (*e.g.*, polyvinylpyrrolidone, cross-linked polyvinylpyrrolidone and polyethylene oxide), water-soluble polydextrose, saccharides and polysaccharides and alkali metal salts. Alternatively, or in addition, a controlled release coating may include one or more orifices, which may be formed by methods such as those described in US Patent Nos. 3,845,770; 4,034,758; 4,077,407; 4,088,864; 4,783,337 and 5,071,607. Controlled-release may also be achieved through the use of transdermal patches, using conventional technology (*see, e.g.*, US Patent No. 4,668,232).

Further examples of controlled release formulations, and components thereof, may be found, for example, in US Patent Nos. 4,572,833; 4,587,117; 4,606,909; 4,610,870; 4,684,516; 4,777,049; 4,994,276; 4,996,058; 5,128,143; 5,202,128; 5,376,384; 5,384,133; 5,445,829; 5,510,119; 5,618,560;

5,643,604; 5,891,474; 5,958,456; 6,039,980; 6,143,353; 6,126,969; 6,156,342; 6,197,347; 6,387,394; 6,399,096; 6,437,000; 6,447,796; 6,475,493; 6,491,950; 6,524,615; 6,838,094; 6,905,709; 6,923,984; 6,923,988; and 6,911,217; each of which is hereby incorporated by reference for its teaching of the preparation of controlled release dosage forms.

5 In addition to or together with the above modes of administration, a compound provided herein may be conveniently added to food or drinking water (*e.g.*, for administration to non-human animals including companion animals (such as dogs and cats) and livestock). Animal feed and drinking water compositions may be formulated so that the animal takes in an appropriate quantity of the composition along with its diet. It may also be convenient to present the composition as a premix for addition to  
10 feed or drinking water.

Compound(s) provided herein are generally administered in a therapeutically effective amount. Preferred systemic doses are no higher than 50 mg per kilogram of body weight per day (*e.g.*, ranging from about 0.001 mg to about 50 mg per kilogram of body weight per day), with oral doses generally being about 5-20 fold higher than intravenous doses (*e.g.*, ranging from 0.01 to 40 mg per kilogram of  
15 body weight per day).

The amount of active ingredient that may be combined with the carrier materials to produce a single dosage unit will vary depending, for example, upon the patient being treated and the particular mode of administration. Dosage units will generally contain from about 10  $\mu$ g to about 500 mg of an active ingredient. In certain embodiments, the dosage unit contains an amount of the compound that is  
20 sufficient to effect a decrease in the patient's caloric intake (*i.e.*, an appetite-suppressing amount) following single dose administration or repeated administration according to a predetermined regimen. Optimal dosages may be established using routine testing, and procedures that are well known in the art.

Pharmaceutical compositions may be used for treating a condition responsive to CBI  
25 modulation. Such conditions include, for example:

appetite disorders (*e.g.*, binge eating disorder, bulimia, anorexia);

obesity and complications associated therewith, including left ventricular hypertrophy);

weight loss or control (*e.g.*, reducing calorie or food intake and/or appetite suppression); and

addictive disorders such as:

30 alcohol dependency (*e.g.*, alcohol abuse, addiction and/or dependency including treatment for abstinence, craving reduction and relapse prevention of alcohol intake);

nicotine dependency (*e.g.*, smoking addiction, cessation and/or dependency including treatment for craving reduction and relapse prevention of tobacco smoking); and

35 drug dependency (*e.g.*, chronic treatment with or abuse of drugs such as opioids, barbiturates, cannabis, cocaine, amphetamines, phencyclidine, hallucinogens, and/or benzodiazepines).

Other conditions responsive to CBI modulation include CNS disorders (*e.g.*, anxiety, depression, panic disorder, bipolar disorder, psychosis, schizophrenia, behavioral addiction, dementia

(including memory loss, Alzheimer's disease, dementia of aging, vascular dementia, mild cognitive impairment, age-related cognitive decline, and mild neurocognitive disorder), attention deficit disorder (ADD/ADHD), stress, amnesia, cognitive disorders, memory disorders, neurodegeneration, cerebellar and spinocerebellar disorder, cranial trauma, cerebral vascular accidents, obsessive-compulsive disorder, senile dementia, impulsivity), thymic disorders, septic shock, Tourette's syndrome, Huntington's chorea, Raynaud's syndrome, peripheral neuropathy, diabetes (type II or non insulin dependent), glaucoma, migraine, seizure disorders, epilepsy, locomotor disorders (movement disorders induced by medicaments, dyskinesias or Parkinson's disease), respiratory disorders (such as asthma), gastrointestinal disorders (*e.g.*, dysfunction of gastrointestinal motility or intestinal propulsion, constipation, chronic intestinal pseudo-obstruction, irritable bowel syndrome, Crohn's disease), liver cirrhosis, vomiting, diarrhea, ulcer, multiple sclerosis, cardiovascular disorder, portal hypertension, fibrosis of internal organs, orthostatic hypotension (*e.g.*, low blood pressure due to heart disease, vasovagal reaction or micturition syncope), drug-induced hypotension dystonia, endotoxemic shocks, hemorrhagic shocks, hypotension, insomnia, a disorder of the endocrine system, urinary or bladder disorders, cancer, infectious disease, inflammation, infection, cancer, neuroinflammation (such as atherosclerosis), Guillain-Barre syndrome, viral encephalitis, cranial trauma, sepsis or a reproductive disorder. In certain embodiments, the condition responsive to CB1 modulation is an appetite disorder, obesity, an addictive disorder, asthma, liver cirrhosis, sepsis, irritable bowel disease, Crohn's disease, depression, schizophrenia, a memory disorder, a cognitive disorder, a movement disorder, portal hypertension, fibrosis of internal organs, orthostatic hypotension and/or drug-induced hypotension.

Certain pharmaceutical compositions provided herein comprise a first agent that is a compound as provided herein in combination with a second agent that differs in structure from the first agent and is suitable for treating the condition of interest. In certain embodiments, the second agent is not a CB1 antagonist as provided herein. In certain embodiments, the second agent is suitable for treating an appetite disorder, obesity, an addictive disorder, asthma, liver cirrhosis, sepsis, irritable bowel disease, Crohn's disease, depression, schizophrenia, a memory disorder, a cognitive disorder and/or a movement disorder. Representative second agents for use within such pharmaceutical compositions include anti-obesity agents such as MCH receptor antagonists, apo-B/MTP inhibitors,  $11\beta$ -hydroxy steroid dehydrogenase-1 inhibitors, peptide YY<sub>3-36</sub> or an analog thereof, MCR-4 agonists, CCK-A agonists, monoamine reuptake inhibitors, sympathomimetic agents,  $\beta_3$  adrenergic receptor agonists, dopamine agonists, melanocyte-stimulating hormone receptor analogues, 5-HT<sub>2c</sub> receptor agonists, leptin or an analog thereof, leptin receptor agonists, galanin antagonists, lipase inhibitors, bombesin agonists, neuropeptide-Y receptor antagonists, thyromimetic agents, dehydroepiandrosterone or analog thereof, glucocorticoid receptor antagonists, orexin receptor antagonists, glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor agonists, ciliary neurotrophic factors, human agouti-related protein antagonists, ghrelin receptor antagonists, histamine 3 receptor antagonists, and



neuromedin U receptor agonists. Such agents include, for example, phentermine, orlistat and sibutramine (*e.g.*, sibutramine HCl monohydrate, sold as Meridia® (Abbott Laboratories)).

Representative second agents suitable for treating an addictive disorder include, for example, Methadone, LAAM (levo-alpha-acetyl-methadol), naltrexone (*e.g.*, ReVia™), ondansetron (*e.g.*, Zofran®), sertraline (*e.g.*, Zoloft®), fluoxetine (*e.g.*, Prozac®), diazepam (*e.g.*, Valium®) and  
5 chlordiazepoxide (*e.g.*, Librium), varenicline and bupropion (*e.g.*, Zyban® or Wellbutrin®). Other representative second agents for use within the pharmaceutical compositions provided herein include nicotine receptor partial agonists, opioid antagonists and/or dopaminergic agents.

Pharmaceutical compositions may be packaged for treating conditions responsive to CB1  
10 modulation (*e.g.*, treatment of appetite disorder, obesity and/or addictive disorder, or other disorder indicated above). Packaged pharmaceutical preparations generally comprise a container holding a therapeutically effective amount of a pharmaceutical composition as described above and instructions (*e.g.*, labeling) indicating that the composition is to be used for treating a condition responsive to CB1 modulation in a patient. In certain embodiments, a packaged pharmaceutical preparation comprises  
15 one or more compounds provided herein and one or more additional agents in the same package, either in separate containers within the package or in the same container (*i.e.*, as a mixture). Preferred mixtures are formulated for oral administration (*e.g.*, as pills, capsules, tablets or the like). In certain embodiments, the package comprises a label bearing indicia indicating that the components are to be taken together for the treatment of an appetite disorder, obesity, an addictive disorder, asthma, liver  
20 cirrhosis, sepsis, irritable bowel disease, Crohn's disease, depression, schizophrenia, a memory disorder, a cognitive disorder and/or a movement disorder.

#### METHODS OF USE

Within certain aspects, the present invention provides methods for treating a condition responsive to CB1 modulation in a patient and/or for appetite suppression. The patient may be  
25 afflicted with such a condition, or may be free of symptoms but considered at risk for developing such a condition. A condition is "responsive to CB1 modulation" if the condition or symptom(s) thereof are alleviated, attenuated, delayed or otherwise improved by modulation of CB1 activity. Such conditions include, for example, appetite disorders, obesity, addictive disorders, asthma, liver cirrhosis, sepsis, irritable bowel disease, Crohn's disease, depression, schizophrenia, memory disorders, cognitive  
30 disorders, movement disorders, portal hypertension, fibrosis of internal organs, orthostatic hypotension and drug-induced hypotension, as well as other disorders indicated above. In general, such methods comprise administering to the patient a therapeutically effective amount of at least one compound as provided herein.

It will be apparent that compounds provided herein may be administered alone or in  
35 combination with one or more additional agents that are suitable for treating the disorder of interest. Within combination therapy, the compound(s) and additional agent(s) may be present in the same

pharmaceutical composition, or may be administered separately in either order. Representative additional agents for use in such methods include the second agents described above.

Suitable dosages for compounds provided herein (either alone or within such combination therapy) are generally as described above. Dosages and methods of administration of any additional agent(s) can be found, for example, in the manufacturer's instructions or in the *Physician's Desk Reference*. In certain embodiments, combination administration results in a reduction of the dosage of the additional agent required to produce a therapeutic effect (*i.e.*, a decrease in the minimum therapeutically effective amount). Thus, preferably, the dosage of additional agent in a combination or combination treatment method of the invention is less than the maximum dose advised by the manufacturer for administration of the agent without combination with a compound of Formula I. More preferably this dose is less than  $\frac{3}{4}$ , even more preferably less than  $\frac{1}{2}$ , and highly preferably less than  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the maximum dose, while most preferably the dose is less than 10% of the maximum dose advised by the manufacturer for administration of the agent(s) when administered without combination administration as described herein. It will be apparent that the dose of compound as provided herein needed to achieve the desired effect may similarly be affected by the dose and potency of the additional agent.

Administration to the patient can be by way of any means discussed above, including oral, topical, nasal or transdermal administration, or intravenous, intramuscular, subcutaneous, intrathecal, epidural, intracerebroventricular or like injection. Oral administration is preferred in certain embodiments (*e.g.*, formulated as pills, capsules, tablets or the like).

Treatment regimens may vary depending on the compound used and the particular condition to be treated. In general, a dosage regimen of 4 times daily or less is preferred, with 1 or 2 times daily particularly preferred. It will be understood, however, that the specific dose level and treatment regimen for any particular patient will depend upon a variety of factors including the activity of the specific compound employed, the age, body weight, general health, sex, diet, time of administration, route of administration, and rate of excretion, drug combination and the severity of the particular disease undergoing therapy. Dosages are generally as described above; in general, the use of the minimum dose sufficient to provide effective therapy is preferred. Patients may generally be monitored for therapeutic effectiveness using medical or veterinary criteria suitable for the condition being treated or prevented. For example, treatment of obesity is considered to be effective if it results in a statistically significant decrease in weight or BMI.

Within separate aspects, the present invention provides a variety of non-pharmaceutical *in vitro* and *in vivo* uses for the compounds provided herein. For example, such compounds may be labeled and used as probes for the detection and localization of CB1 (in samples such as cell preparations or tissue sections, preparations or fractions thereof). In addition, compounds provided herein that comprise a suitable reactive group (such as an aryl carbonyl, nitro or azide group) may be used in photoaffinity labeling studies of receptor binding sites. In addition, compounds provided

herein may be used as positive controls in assays for receptor activity, as standards for determining the ability of a candidate agent to bind to CB1, or as radiotracers for positron emission tomography (PET) imaging or for single photon emission computerized tomography (SPECT). Such methods can be used to characterize CB1 receptors in living subjects. For example, a compound may be labeled using any  
5 of a variety of well known techniques (*e.g.*, radiolabeled with a radionuclide such as tritium, as described herein), and incubated with a sample for a suitable incubation time (*e.g.*, determined by first assaying a time course of binding). Following incubation, unbound compound is removed (*e.g.*, by washing), and bound compound detected using any method suitable for the label employed (*e.g.*, autoradiography or scintillation counting for radiolabeled compounds; spectroscopic methods may be  
10 used to detect luminescent groups and fluorescent groups). As a control, a matched sample containing labeled compound and a greater (*e.g.*, 10-fold greater) amount of unlabeled compound may be processed in the same manner. A greater amount of detectable label remaining in the test sample than in the control indicates the presence of CB1 in the sample. Detection assays, including receptor autoradiography (receptor mapping) of CB1 in cultured cells or tissue samples may be performed as  
15 described by Kuhar in sections 8.1.1 to 8.1.9 of Current Protocols in Pharmacology (1998) John Wiley & Sons, New York.

Compounds provided herein may further be used within assays for the identification of other non-competitive antagonists of CB1. In general, such assays are standard competition binding assays, in which a labeled compound as provided herein is displaced by a test compound. Briefly, such assays  
20 are performed by: (a) contacting CB1 with a labeled (*e.g.*, radiolabeled) compound and a test compound, under conditions that permit binding to CB1 (b) removing unbound labeled compound and unbound test compound; (c) detecting a signal that corresponds to the amount of bound, labeled compound; and (d) comparing the signal to a reference signal that corresponds to the amount of bound labeled compound in a similar assay performed in the absence of test compound. In practice, the  
25 reference signal and the signal described in step (c) are generally obtained simultaneously (*e.g.*, the assays are performed in different wells of the same plate); in addition, multiple concentrations of test compound are generally assayed. Non-competitive antagonist activity can be confirmed for test compounds that decrease the amount of bound, labeled compound using procedures described herein.

The following Examples are offered by way of illustration and not by way of limitation.  
30 Unless otherwise specified all reagents and solvent are of standard commercial grade and are used without further purification. Using routine modifications, the starting materials may be varied and additional steps employed to produce other compounds provided herein.

## EXAMPLES

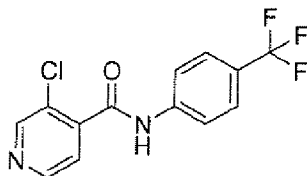
Mass spectroscopy data in the following Examples is Electrospray MS, obtained in positive  
35 ion mode using a Micromass Time-of-Flight LCT (Micromass, Beverly MA), equipped with a Waters 600 pump (Waters Corp.; Milford, MA), Waters 996 photodiode array detector, and a Gilson 215

autosampler (Gilson, Inc.; Middleton, WI). MassLynx (Advanced Chemistry Development, Inc; Toronto, Canada) version 4.0 software with OpenLynx Global Server™, OpenLynx™ and AutoLynx™ processing is used for data collection and analysis. MS conditions are as follows: capillary voltage = 3.5 kV; cone voltage = 30 V, desolvation and source temperature = 350 °C and 120 °C, respectively; mass range = 181-750 with a scan time of 0.22 seconds and an interscan delay of 0.05 min.

Sample volume of 1 microliter is injected onto a 50x4.6mm Chromolith SpeedROD RP-18e column (Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany), and eluted using a 2-phase linear gradient at a flow rate of 6 ml/min. Sample is detected using total absorbance count over the 220-340nm UV range. The elution conditions are: Mobile Phase A - 95% water, 5% MeOH with 0.05% TFA; Mobile Phase B - 5% water, 95% MeOH with 0.025% TFA. The following gradient is used: 0-0.5 min 10-100%B, hold at 100%B to 1.2 min, return to 10%B at 1.21 min. Inject to inject cycle is 2.15 min.

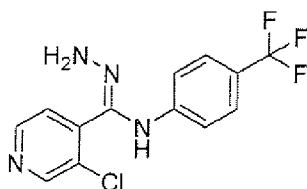
EXAMPLE 1. PREPARATION OF 5-(3-CHLOROPYRIDIN-4-YL)-2-(1-PROPIONYLPYPERIDIN-4-YL)-4-(4-(TRIFLUOROMETHYL)PHENYL)-2H-1,2,4-TRIAZOL-3(4H)-ONE

Step 1. Synthesis of 3-chloro-N-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)isonicotinamide



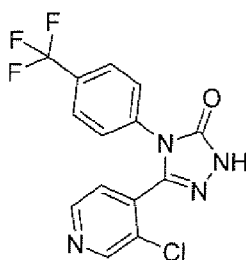
To a suspension of 3-chloroisonicotinic acid (3.15 g, 20 mmol) in anhydrous DCM (250 mL) under nitrogen at 0 °C is added oxalyl chloride (2.54 g, 20 mmol) followed by three drops of anhydrous DMF. The mixture is stirred at rt for 1 h, and then added dropwise to a solution of 4-(trifluoromethyl)benzenamine (3.22 g, 20 mmol) and TEA (4.08 g, 40 mmol) in anhydrous DCM (250 mL) under nitrogen at 0 °C over a period of 10 min. The mixture is stirred at rt overnight. After water (150 mL) is added, the organic phase is separated and the aqueous phase is extracted with DCM (2 x 200 mL). The combined organic phase is dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, concentrated and purified by silica gel column chromatography to give the title compound as a white solid. LCMS (M+1) 301.97. <sup>1</sup>H NMR: (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 7.67 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H); 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 8.07 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 8.22 (s, 1H); 8.65 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H); 8.72 (s, 1H).

Step 2. Synthesis of *N'*-amino-3-chloro-N-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)isonicotinamide



A solution of 3-chloro-N-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)isonicotinamide (12.1 g, 40 mmol and phosphorus chloride (9.21 g, 44 mmol) in anhydrous benzene (250 mL) is refluxed for 4 h. After removing phosphorus oxychloride under reduced pressure, the residue is dissolved in anhydrous THF (250 mL) and added dropwise to a solution of anhydrous hydrazine (12.9 mL) in anhydrous THF (250 mL) under nitrogen at 0°C. The mixture is stirred for 1 h at rt, poured into water (300 mL) and extracted with EtOAc. The organic phase is washed with brine, dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, and concentrated to give the title compound as a white solid. LCMS (M+1) 314.97.

Step 3. Synthesis of 5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2H-1,2,4-triazol-3(4H)-one

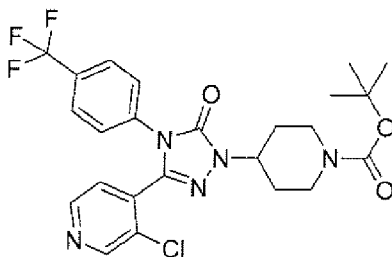


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A solution of *N'*-amino-3-chloro-N-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)isonicotinamidine (13.1 g, 41.6 mmol) in anhydrous THF (600 mL) is added slowly to a solution of 1,1'-carbonyldiimidazole (8.1 g, 50 mmol) in anhydrous THF (600 mL) under nitrogen at 0°C over 2 h. The mixture is stirred at rt overnight. After removal of THF, the residue is purified by silica gel column chromatography to give the title compound as a white yellow solid. LCMS (M+1) 340.94. <sup>1</sup>H NMR: (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 7.31 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H); 7.42 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 8.63 (m, 2H); 10.67 (s, 1H).

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Step 4. Synthesis of *tert*-butyl 4-(3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-4,5-dihydro-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)piperidine-1-carboxylate

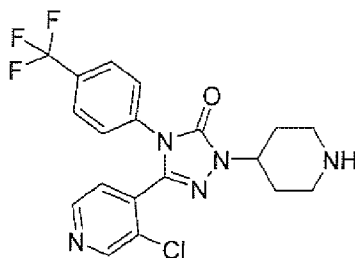


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To a solution of *tert*-butyl 4-hydroxypiperidine-1-carboxylate (2 g, 10 mmol) in anhydrous DCM (50 mL) under nitrogen at 0°C is added TEA (1.2 g, 12 mmol) followed by addition of MsCl (1.72 g, 15 mmol). The mixture is stirred at rt for 1 h, and concentrated to remove excess TEA and MsCl. The residue is dissolved in anhydrous acetonitrile (50 mL). 5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2H-1,2,4-triazol-3(4H)-one (3.4 g, 10 mmol) and anhydrous potassium carbonate (2.76 g, 20 mmol) are added. The resulting mixture is refluxed for 16 h. Solids are filtered and the filtrate is concentrated and purified by silica gel column chromatography to give the title compound. LCMS (M+1) 546.02.

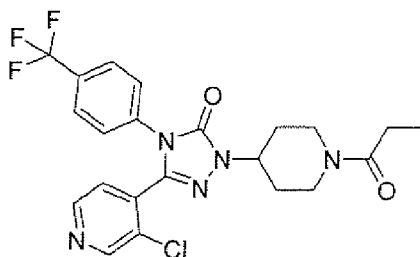
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Step 5. Synthesis of 5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(piperidin-4-yl)-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2H-1,2,4-triazol-3(4H)-one



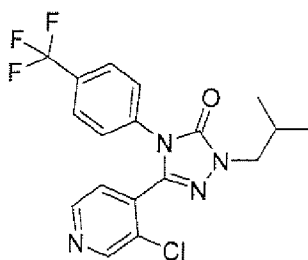
A solution of *tert*-butyl 4-(3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-4,5-dihydro-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)piperidine-1-carboxylate (5.24 g, 10 mmol) in anhydrous DCM (20 mL) is treated with TFA (10 mL) at rt for 2 h. After concentration, the residue is neutralized with saturated sodium bicarbonate and the product is extracted with DCM. The extracts are dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, concentrated and purified by silica gel column chromatography to give the title compound.

Step 6. Synthesis of 5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(1-propionylpiperidin-4-yl)-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2H-1,2,4-triazol-3(4H)-one



To a solution of 5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(piperidin-4-yl)-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2H-1,2,4-triazol-3(4H)-one (42 mg, 0.1 mmol) and TEA (20 mg, 0.2 mmol) in anhydrous DCM (2 mL) at 0°C is added propionyl chloride (14 mg, 0.15 mmol). After stirring for 2 h at rt, the mixture is concentrated and the residue is purified by silica gel column chromatography to give the title compound. LCMS (M+1) 533.1.

EXAMPLE 2. PREPARATION OF 5-(3-CHLOROPYRIDIN-4-YL)-2-ISOBUTYL-4-(4-(TRIFLUOROMETHYL)PHENYL)-2H-1,2,4-TRIAZOL-3(4H)-ONE

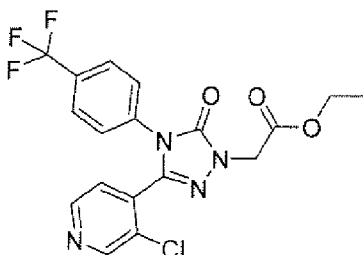


To a solution of 5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2H-1,2,4-triazol-3(4H)-one (34 mg, 0.1 mmol) and 1-bromo-2-methylpropane (17 mg, 0.12 mmol) in anhydrous

acetone is added anhydrous potassium carbonate (27 mg, 0.2 mmol). The mixture is heated at 65°C for 12 h. After cooling to rt, solids are removed by filtration and the filtrate is concentrated and purified by silica gel column chromatography to give the title compound. LCMS (M+1) 396.1.

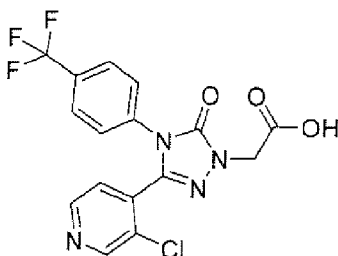
5 EXAMPLE 3. PREPARATION OF 5-(3-CHLOROPYRIDIN-4-YL)-2-(2-OXO-2-(PIPERIDIN-1-YL)ETHYL)-4-(4-(TRIFLUOROMETHYL)PHENYL)-2H-1,2,4-TRIAZOL-3(4H)-ONE

Step 1. Synthesis of ethyl 2-(3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-4,5-dihydro-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)acetate



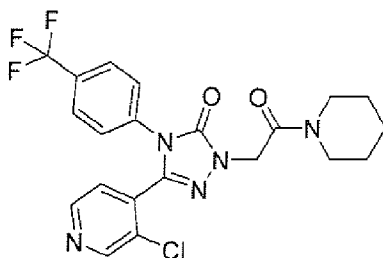
10 This compound is prepared essentially as described in Example 2, with readily apparent modification. LCMS (M+1) 426.94.

Step 2. Synthesis of 2-(3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-4,5-dihydro-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)acetic acid



15 A solution of ethyl 2-(3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-4,5-dihydro-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)acetate (4.26 g, 10 mmol) in a mixed solvent of MeOH/THF/H<sub>2</sub>O (60/20/20 mL) is treated with LiOH (600 mg, 25 mmol) at rt for 16 h. The mixture is neutralized to pH ~ 3 with 3N HCl and concentrated. The residue is participated between EtOAc and water, and the organic phase is separated. The aqueous phase is extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic phase is dried  
20 over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, concentrated and purified by silica gel column chromatography to give the title compound.

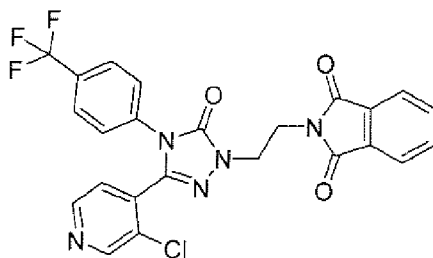
Step 3. Synthesis of 5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2-oxo-2-(piperidin-1-yl)ethyl)-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2H-1,2,4-triazol-3(4H)-one



To a solution of 2-(3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-4,5-dihydro-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)acetic acid (40 mg, 0.1 mmol), piperidine (8.5 mg, 0.1 mmol) and triethyl amine (15 mg, 0.15 mmol) in dichloroethane (2 mL) is added a solution of DMC (17 mg, 0.1 mmol). The mixture is stirred at rt for 16 h, concentrated and purified by silica gel column chromatography to give the title compound. LCMS (M+1) 466.12.

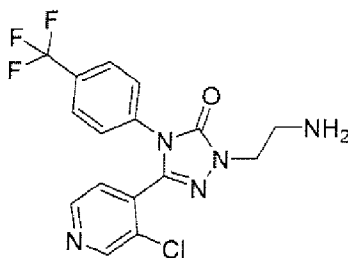
10 EXAMPLE 4. PREPARATION OF 2-(2-AMINOETHYL)-5-(3-CHLOROPYRIDIN-4-YL)-4-(4-(TRIFLUOROMETHYL)PHENYL)-2H-1,2,4-TRIAZOL-3(4H)-ONE

Step 1. Synthesis of 2-(2-(3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-4,5-dihydro-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)ethyl)isoindoline-1,3-dione



15 This compound is prepared essentially as described in Example 2, with readily apparent modification. LCMS (M+1) 514.9.

Step 2. Synthesis of 2-(2-aminoethyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2H-1,2,4-triazol-3(4H)-one



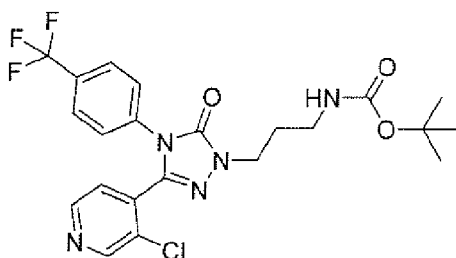
20 A solution of 2-(2-(3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-4,5-dihydro-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)ethyl)isoindoline-1,3-dione (3.18 g, 6.2 mmol) and anhydrous hydrazine (1.86 g, 372 mmol) in anhydrous EtOH (60 mL) is refluxed for 4 h. Solids are removed after cooling to rt, and the filtrate is concentrated and purified by silica gel column chromatography to give the title compound.



LCMS (M+1) 383.98. <sup>1</sup>H NMR: (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 2.44 (br s, 2H), 3.19 (t, *J* = 6 Hz, 2H), 4.01 (t, *J* = 6 Hz, 2H), 7.3 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H); 7.41 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 8.6 (m, 2H).

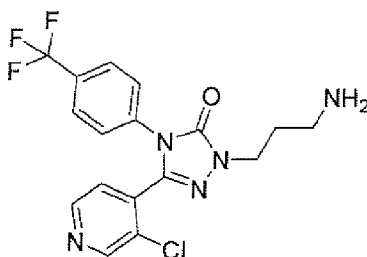
EXAMPLE 5. PREPARATION OF 2-(3-AMINOPROPYL)-5-(3-CHLOROPYRIDIN-4-YL)-4-(4-(TRIFLUOROMETHYL)PHENYL)-2H-1,2,4-TRIAZOL-3(4H)-ONE

Step 1. Synthesis of tert-butyl 3-(3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-4,5-dihydro-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)propylcarbamate



This compound is prepared essentially as described in Example 2, with readily apparent modification.

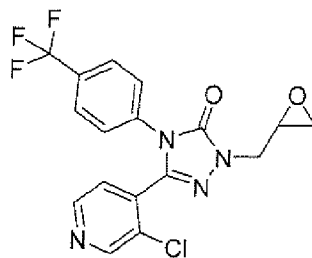
Step 2. Synthesis of 2-(3-aminopropyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2H-1,2,4-triazol-3(4H)-one



This compound is prepared essentially as described in Example 1, with readily apparent modification. LCMS (M+1) 397.99. <sup>1</sup>H NMR: (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.82 (br s, 2H), 2.01 (m, 2H), 2.85 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 4.07 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 8 Hz, 2H); 7.39 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 8 Hz, 2H), 8.61 (m, 2H).

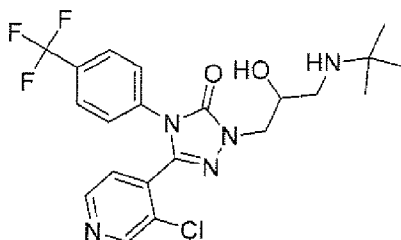
EXAMPLE 6. PREPARATION OF 2-(3-(TERT-BUTYLAMINO)-2-HYDROXYPROPYL)-5-(3-CHLOROPYRIDIN-4-YL)-4-(4-(TRIFLUOROMETHYL)PHENYL)-2H-1,2,4-TRIAZOL-3(4H)-ONE

Step 1. Synthesis of 5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(oxiran-2-ylmethyl)-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2H-1,2,4-triazol-3(4H)-one



This compound is prepared essentially as described in Example 2, with readily apparent modification. LCMS (M+1) 397.02.

Step 2. Synthesis of 2-(3-(tert-butylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2H-1,2,4-triazol-3(4H)-one



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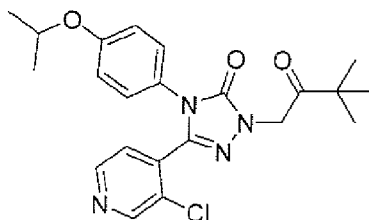
A solution of 5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(oxiran-2-ylmethyl)-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2H-1,2,4-triazol-3(4H)-one (40 mg, 0.1 mmol) and neopentylamine (9 mg, 0.1 mmol) in anhydrous EtOH (60 mL) is heated at 65 °C for 24 h. The mixture is concentrated and purified by silica gel column chromatography to give the title compound. LCMS (M+1) 453.1.

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EXAMPLE 7. PREPARATION OF 5-(3-CHLOROPYRIDIN-4-YL)-2-(3,3-DIMETHYL-2-OXOBUTYL)-4-(4-ISOPROPOXYPHENYL)-2H-1,2,4-TRIAZOL-3(4H)-ONE AND 5-(3-CHLOROPYRIDIN-4-YL)-2-(2-HYDROXY-3,3-DIMETHYLBUTYL)-4-(4-ISOPROPOXYPHENYL)-2H-1,2,4-TRIAZOL-3(4H)-ONE

Step 1. Synthesis of 5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(3,3-dimethyl-2-oxobutyl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2H-1,2,4-triazol-3(4H)-one

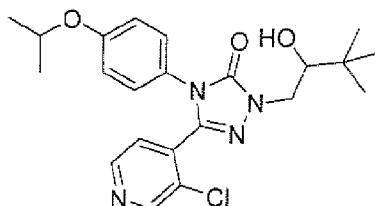
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This compound is prepared essentially as described in Example 2, with readily apparent modification. LCMS (M+1) 428.2.

Step 2. Synthesis of 5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2-hydroxy-3,3-dimethylbutyl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2H-1,2,4-triazol-3(4H)-one

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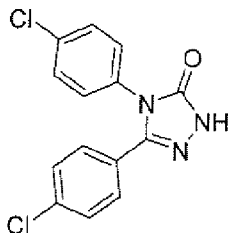
A solution of 5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(3,3-dimethyl-2-oxobutyl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2H-1,2,4-triazol-3(4H)-one (43 mg, 0.1 mmol) is treated with sodium borohydride (8 mg, 0.2 mmol) in MeOH (2 mL) at 0 °C for 1 h. The mixture is concentrated and purified by silica gel column

chromatography to give the title compound. LCMS (M+1) 430.2. <sup>1</sup>H NMR: (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.03 (s, 9H), 1.31 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 6H), 3.19 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (m, 1H), 4.17 (dd, *J* = 14.4, 2 Hz, 1H), 4.5 (m, 1H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H); 7.03 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 8.53 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 8.61 (s, 1H).

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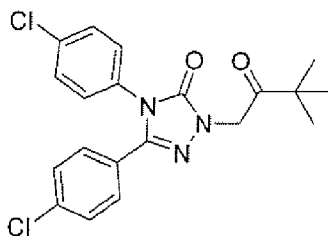
EXAMPLE 8. PREPARATION OF 4,5-BIS(4-CHLOROPHENYL)-2-(3,3-DIMETHYL-2-OXOBUTYL)-2H-1,2,4-TRIAZOL-3(4H)-ONE

Step 1. Synthesis of 4,5-bis(4-chlorophenyl)-2H-1,2,4-triazol-3(4H)-one



10 This compound is prepared essentially as described in Example 1, Step 3, with readily apparent modification. LCMS (M+1) 305.92.

Step 2. Synthesis of 4,5-bis(4-chlorophenyl)-2-(3,3-dimethyl-2-oxobutyl)-2H-1,2,4-triazol-3(4H)-one



15 This compound is prepared essentially as described in Example 7, Step 1, with readily apparent modification. LCMS (M+1) 404. <sup>1</sup>H NMR: (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.28 (s, 9H), 4.89 (s, 2H), 4.5 (m, 1H), 7.79 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H); 7.25 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.4 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H).

## EXAMPLE 9. PREPARATION OF ADDITIONAL DIARYL TRIAZOLONES

Using routine modifications, the starting materials may be varied and additional steps employed to produce other compounds provided herein. Compounds listed in Table I are prepared using such methods. All compounds in Table I have a  $K_i$  of 1 micromolar or less as determined using the assay provided in Example 14, herein. Mass Spectroscopy data in the column labeled "MS" is obtained as described above, and is presented as M+1. The retention time (Ret Time) is given in minutes.

Table I  
Representative Diaryl Triazolones

	Compound	Name	Ret Time	MS
1		2-(1-acetyl-4-piperidinyl)-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloro-4-pyridinyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.22	431.1
2		2-(1-butyrylpiperidin-4-yl)-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.2	459.1
3		2-(1-butyrylpiperidin-4-yl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.16	443.2
4		2-(1-butyrylpiperidin-4-yl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.29	493.1
5		2-[(1-butyrylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl]-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.18	457.2

	<u>Compound</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Ret Time</u>	<u>MS</u>
6		2-[(2E)-but-2-en-1-yl]-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.22	360.1
7		2-[(2E)-but-2-en-1-yl]-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.23	384.1
8		2-[(2E)-but-2-en-1-yl]-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.24	394.1
9		2-[1-(chloroacetyl)piperidin-4-yl]-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.21	449.1
10		2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N-ethylacetamide	1.02	416.1
11		2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N-propylacetamide	0.92	430.2
12		2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N-(cyclopropylmethyl)acetamide	1.15	442.2

	<u>Compound</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Ret Time</u>	<u>MS</u>
13		2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N-isopropylacetamide	0.92	430.2
14		2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N-cyclobutylacetamide	1.15	442.2
15		2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N-cyclopentylacetamide	0.92	456.2
16		2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N-cyclohexylacetamide	0.92	470.2
17		2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)acetamide	1.09	479.2
18		2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N-(pyridin-3-ylmethyl)acetamide	0.91	479.2
19		2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N-(pyridin-4-ylmethyl)acetamide	0.87	479.2

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20		2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N-(2-pyridin-4-ylethyl)acetamide	0.85	493.2
21		2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N,N-diethylacetamide	1.17	444.2
22		2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N,N-dimethylacetamide	1.02	416.1
23		2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N-ethyl-N-methylacetamide	0.93	430.2
24		2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N-(2-methoxyethyl)-N-methylacetamide	0.93	460.2
25		2-[3,4-bis(4-chlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N,N-diethylacetamide	1.33	418.1
26		2-[[1-(chloroacetyl)piperidin-4-yl]methyl]-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.22	463.1

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27		2-{3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}-N-(2,2-dimethylpropyl)propanamide	1.33	481.1
28		2-{3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}-N,N-diisobutylpropanamide	1.4	523.2
29		2-{3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}-N-(cyclopropylmethyl)propanamide	1.24	466.1
30		2-{3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}-N-cyclobutylpropanamide	1.04	466.1
31		2-{3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}-N-ethyl-N-isopropylacetamide	1.17	467.1
32		2-{3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}-N-isopropyl-N-(2-methoxyethyl)acetamide	1.16	497.1
33		2-{3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}-N-(2,2-dimethoxyethyl)-N-methylacetamide	1.14	499.1



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34		2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N-ethyl-N-(2-methoxyethyl)acetamide	1.15	483.1
35		2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N-piperidin-1-ylacetamide	0.94	481.1
36		2-[3-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]propyl]-1H-indole-1,3(2H)-dione	1.32	517.2
37		2-allyl-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.19	346.0
38		2-allyl-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.2	370.1
39		2-allyl-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.2	380.1
40		2-but-2-yn-1-yl-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.19	358.0

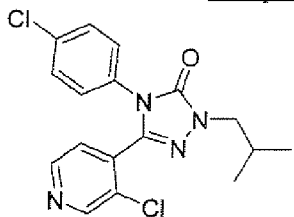
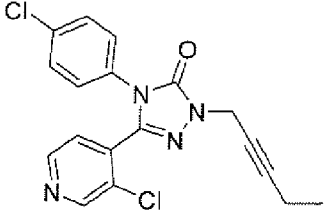
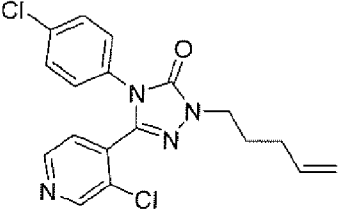
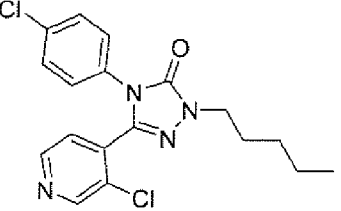
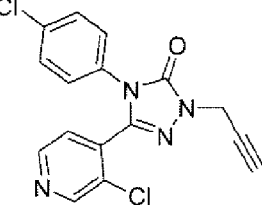
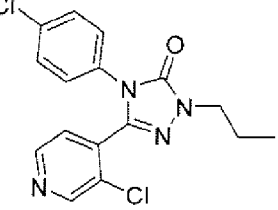
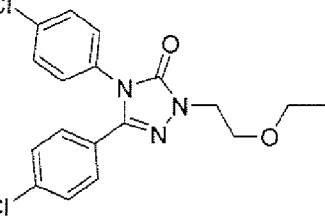
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41		2-but-2-yn-1-yl-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.2	382.1
42		2-but-2-yn-1-yl-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.21	392.1
43		2-but-3-en-1-yl-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.22	360.1
44		2-but-3-en-1-yl-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.23	384.1
45		2-but-3-en-1-yl-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.23	394.1
46		2-butyl-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.25	362.1
47		2-butyl-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.26	386.2

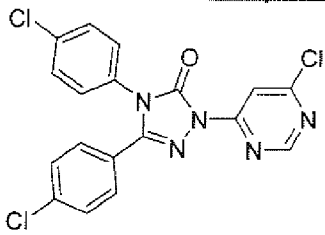
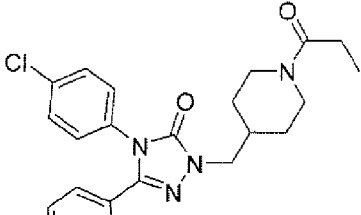
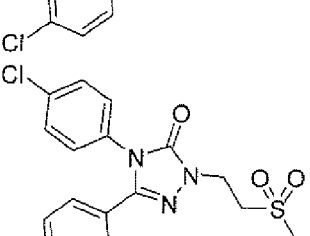
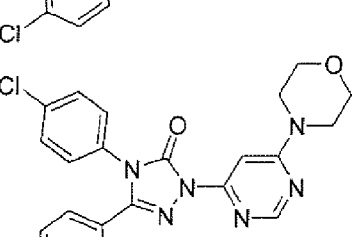
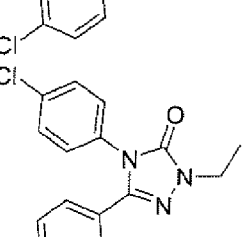
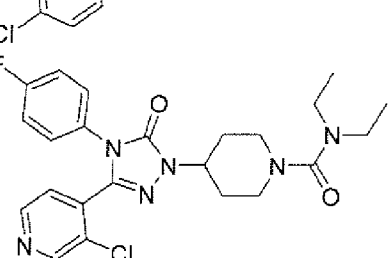
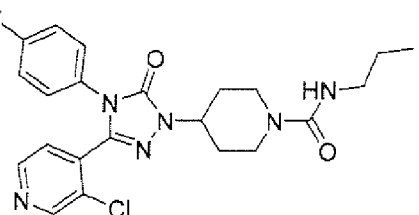
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48		2-butyl-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.25	396.1
49		2- <i>tert</i> -butyl-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.24	362.1
50		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloro-4-pyridinyl)-2-(1-isobutyryl-4-piperidiny)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.27	459.1
51		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloro-4-pyridinyl)-2-(1-propionyl-4-piperidiny)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.25	445.1
52		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloro-4-pyridinyl)-2-[1-(2,2-dimethylpropanoyl)-4-piperidiny]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.23	473.1
53		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloro-4-pyridinyl)-2-[1-(3-methylbutanoyl)-4-piperidiny]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.3	473.1
54		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloro-4-pyridinyl)-2-[1-(methylsulfonyl)-4-piperidiny]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.16	467.1

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55		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(1-methylbutyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.35	376.1
56		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(1-pentanoylpiperidin-4-yl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.23	473.1
57		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.28	388.0
58		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2,2-dimethylpropyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.35	376.1
59		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2-methylbutyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.36	376.1
60		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2-methylprop-2-en-1-yl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.21	360.1
61		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(3,3,3-trifluoropropyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.29	402.0

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62		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(3,3-dimethyl-2-oxobutyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.29	404.1
63		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.25	374.1
64		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(3-methylbutyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.36	376.1
65		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(4-methylpent-3-en-1-yl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.36	388.1
66		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(cyclobutylmethyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.26	374.1
67		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(cyclopropylmethyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.21	360.1
68		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[(2E)-pent-2-en-1-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.26	374.1

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69		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[1-(cyclobutylcarbonyl)piperidin-4-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.21	471.1
70		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[1-(cyclopropylcarbonyl)piperidin-4-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.19	457.1
71		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[1-(trifluoroacetyl)piperidin-4-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.22	485.1
72		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-cyclobutyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.23	360.1
73		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-cyclohexyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.37	388.1
74		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-cyclopentyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.25	374.1
75		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-ethyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.17	334.0

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76		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-isobutyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.24	362.1
77		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-pent-2-yn-1-yl-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.22	372.1
78		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-pent-4-en-1-yl-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.34	374.1
79		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-pentyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.36	376.1
80		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-prop-2-yn-1-yl-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.15	344.0
81		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-propyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.21	348.1
82		4,5-bis(4-chlorophenyl)-2-(2-ethoxyethyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.36	377.1

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83		4,5-bis(4-chlorophenyl)-2-(6-chloro-4-pyrimidinyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.39	417.0
84		4,5-bis(4-chlorophenyl)-2-[(1-propionyl-4-piperidiny)methyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.37	458.1
85		4,5-bis(4-chlorophenyl)-2-[2-(methylsulfonyl)ethyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.29	411.0
86		4,5-bis(4-chlorophenyl)-2-[6-(4-morpholinyl)-4-pyrimidinyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.36	468.1
87		4,5-bis(4-chlorophenyl)-2-ethyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.36	333.0
88		4-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N,N-diethylpiperidine-1-carboxamide	1.21	472.2
89		4-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N-propylpiperidine-1-carboxamide	1.23	458.2



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90		4-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N-isopropylpiperidine-1-carboxamide	1.22	458.2
91		4-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N-cyclopentylpiperidine-1-carboxamide	1.27	484.2
92		4-[4-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(3-chloro-4-pyridinyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N-methyl-1-piperidinecarboxamide	1.15	446.1
93		4-[4-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(3-chloro-4-pyridinyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N,N-dimethyl-1-piperidinecarboxamide	1.26	460.1
94		4-[4-(benzyloxy)phenyl]-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	0.66	379.1
95		4-[[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]methyl]-N,N-diethylpiperidine-1-carboxamide	1.21	486.2
96		4-[[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]methyl]-N-cyclopentylpiperidine-1-carboxamide	1.27	498.2

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97		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(1-ethylpropyl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.35	400.2
98		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(1-isobutyrylpiperidin-4-yl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.29	493.1
99		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(1-pentanoylpiperidin-4-yl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.32	507.2
100		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(1-propionylpiperidin-4-yl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.27	479.1
101		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.3	422.0
102		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2,2-dimethylpropyl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.36	400.2
103		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2,2-dimethylpropyl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.36	410.1

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104		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2-hydroxy-3,3-dimethylbutyl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.32	430.2
105		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2-hydroxy-3-pyrrolidin-1-ylpropyl)-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.17	467.1
106		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2-hydroxy-3-thiomorpholin-4-ylpropyl)-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.06	499.1
107		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2-methylbutyl)-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.37	410.1
108		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2-methylprop-2-en-1-yl)-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.22	394.1
109		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2-morpholin-4-yl-2-oxoethyl)-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.12	467.1
110		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2-oxo-2-piperidin-1-ylethyl)-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.28	465.1

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111		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(3,3-dimethyl-2-oxobutyl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.25	388.1
112		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(3,3-dimethyl-2-oxobutyl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.3	428.2
113		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(3,3-dimethyl-2-oxobutyl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.3	438.1
114		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.26	408.1
115		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(3-methylbutyl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.37	410.1
116		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(4-methylpent-3-en-1-yl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.37	422.1
117		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(cyclobutylmethyl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.23	358.1

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118		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(cyclobutylmethyl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.26	398.2
119		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(cyclobutylmethyl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.27	408.1
120		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(cyclopropylmethyl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.23	384.1
121		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(cyclopropylmethyl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.23	394.1
122		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[(2E)-pent-2-en-1-yl]-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.26	408.1
123		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[1-(2,2-dimethylpropanoyl)piperidin-4-yl]-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.2	457.2
124		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[1-(2-ethylbutanoyl)piperidin-4-yl]-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.29	471.2

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125		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[1-(3,3-dimethylbutanoyl)piperidin-4-yl]-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.29	471.2
126		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[1-(3-methylbutanoyl)piperidin-4-yl]-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.31	507.2
127		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[1-(cyclobutylcarbonyl)piperidin-4-yl]-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.3	505.1
128		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[1-(cyclobutylcarbonyl)piperidin-4-yl]-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.18	455.2
129		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[1-(cyclopentylcarbonyl)piperidin-4-yl]-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.21	469.2
130		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[1-(cyclopropylcarbonyl)piperidin-4-yl]-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.27	491.1
131		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[1-(cyclopropylcarbonyl)piperidin-4-yl]-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.15	441.1

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132		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[1-(ethoxyacetyl)piperidin-4-yl]-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.23	459.1
133		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[1-(propylsulfonyl)piperidin-4-yl]-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one		
134		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[2-(3-methoxypiperidin-1-yl)-2-oxoethyl]-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.14	495.1
135		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[2-hydroxy-3-(2-methyl-1H-imidazol-1-yl)propyl]-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.18	478.1
136		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[3-(5,5-dimethyl-4,5-dihydro-1H-imidazol-1-yl)-2-hydroxypropyl]-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.18	494.1
137		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[3-(diethylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl]-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.06	469.1
138		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[3-(dimethylamino)-2-hydroxypropyl]-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one		

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139		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[[1-(2,2-dimethylpropanoyl)piperidin-4-yl]methyl]-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.21	471.2
140		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[[1-(2-ethylbutanoyl)piperidin-4-yl]methyl]-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.3	485.2
141		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[[1-(3,3-dimethylbutanoyl)piperidin-4-yl]methyl]-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.26	485.2
142		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[[1-(cyclobutylcarbonyl)piperidin-4-yl]methyl]-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.19	469.2
143		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[[1-(cyclopentylcarbonyl)piperidin-4-yl]methyl]-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.22	483.2
144		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[[1-(ethylsulfonyl)piperidin-4-yl]methyl]-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.22	479.1



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145		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2- {2-hydroxy-3- [isopropyl(methyl)amino]pro pyl}-4-[4- (trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4- dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3- one	1.07	469.1
146		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2- {3-[(2,2- dimethylpropyl)amino]-2- hydroxypropyl}-4-[4- (trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4- dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3- one	1.21	483.2
147		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2- {3-[ethyl(methyl)amino]-2- hydroxypropyl}-4-[4- (trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4- dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3- one	1.06	455.1
148		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2- cyclobutyl-4-(4- isopropoxyphenyl)-2,4- dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3- one	1.22	384.1
149		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2- cyclobutyl-4-[4- (trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4- dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3- one	1.25	394.1
150		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2- cyclohexyl-4-(4- isopropoxyphenyl)-2,4- dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3- one	1.37	412.2
151		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2- cyclohexyl-4-[4- (trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4- dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3- one	1.37	422.1

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152		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-cyclopentyl-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.27	398.2
153		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-cyclopentyl-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.15	408.1
154		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-ethyl-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.27	358.1
155		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-ethyl-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.2	368.1
156		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-isobutyl-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.25	386.2
157		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-isobutyl-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.26	396.1
158		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-pent-2-yn-1-yl-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.23	406.1

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159		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-pent-4-en-1-yl-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.35	408.1
160		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-pentyl-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.38	410.1
161		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-prop-2-yn-1-yl-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.18	378.0
162		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-propyl-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.23	382.1
163		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-(1-hexanoylpiperidin-4-yl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.3	471.2
164		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-(1-isobutyrylpiperidin-4-yl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.17	443.2
165		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-(1-pentanoylpiperidin-4-yl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.2	457.2

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166		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-(1-propionylpiperidin-4-yl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.14	429.1
167		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-(3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.21	358.1
168		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-(3-methylbutyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.32	360.1
169		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[(1-hexanoylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.32	485.2
170		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[(1-isobutyrylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.17	457.2
171		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[(1-pentanoylpiperidin-4-yl)methyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.21	471.2

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172		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[1-(2-methylpentanoyl)piperidin-4-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.3	471.2
173		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[1-(3,3,3-trifluoropropanoyl)piperidin-4-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.23	483.1
174		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[1-(3-methylbutanoyl)piperidin-4-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.2	457.2
175		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[1-(4-methylpentanoyl)piperidin-4-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.3	471.2
176		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[1-(isopropylsulfonyl)piperidin-4-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.23	479.1
177		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[1-(methylsulfonyl)piperidin-4-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.2	451.1
178		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[1-(piperidin-1-ylcarbonyl)piperidin-4-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.22	484.2

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179		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[1-(propylsulfonyl)piperidin-4-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.24	479.1
180		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[1-(pyrrolidin-1-ylcarbonyl)piperidin-4-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.18	470.2
181		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[1-(trifluoroacetyl)piperidin-4-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.19	469.1
182		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[[1-(2-methylpentanoyl)piperidin-4-yl]methyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.31	485.2
183		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[[1-(3,3,3-trifluoropropanoyl)piperidin-4-yl]methyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.23	497.1
184		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[[1-(3-methylbutanoyl)piperidin-4-yl]methyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.2	471.2

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185		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[[1-(4-methylpentanoyl)piperidin-4-yl]methyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.3	485.2
186		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[[1-(isopropylsulfonyl)piperidin-4-yl]methyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.24	493.1
187		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[[1-(piperidin-1-ylcarbonyl)piperidin-4-yl]methyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.22	498.2
188		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[[1-(propylsulfonyl)piperidin-4-yl]methyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.25	493.1
189		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[[1-(trifluoroacetyl)piperidin-4-yl]methyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.19	483.1
190		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-pent-4-en-1-yl-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.3	358.1

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191		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-pentyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.34	360.1
192		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2-(1-methylbutyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.36	400.2
193		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2-(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.29	412.1
194		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2-(2-methylbutyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.36	400.2
195		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2-(2-methylprop-2-en-1-yl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.22	384.1
196		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2-(2-morpholin-4-yl-2-oxoethyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.02	458.2
197		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2-(2-oxo-2-piperidin-1-ylethyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.19	456.2



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198		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2-(2-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylethyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.09	442.2
199		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2-(2-oxo-2-thiomorpholin-4-ylethyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	0.86	474.1
200		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2-(3,3,3-trifluoropropyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.31	426.1
201		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2-(3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.26	398.2
202		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2-(3-methylbutyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.18	400.2
203		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2-(4-methylpent-3-en-1-yl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.37	412.2
204		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2-[(2E)-pent-2-en-1-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.26	398.2

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205		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2-[2-(2-methylpyrrolidin-1-yl)-2-oxoethyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	0.93	456.2
206		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2-[2-(4-methylpiperidin-1-yl)-2-oxoethyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	0.92	470.2
207		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2-pent-2-yn-1-yl-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.23	396.1
208		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2-pent-4-en-1-yl-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.34	398.2
209		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2-pentyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.37	400.2
210		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2-propyl-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.22	372.1
211		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2-(3,3,3-trifluoropropyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.31	436.1

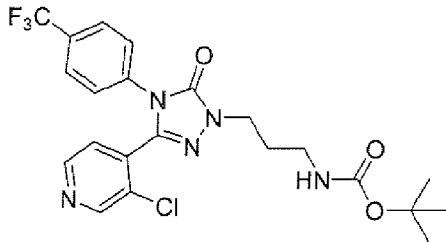
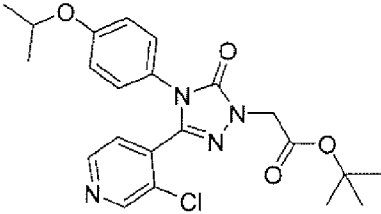
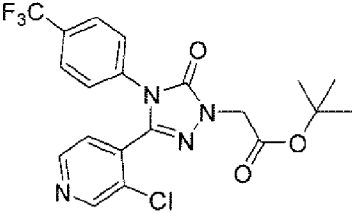
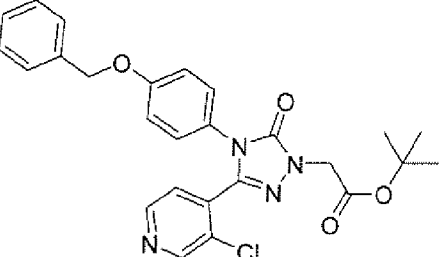
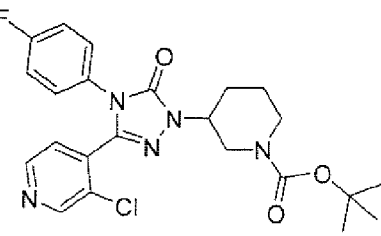
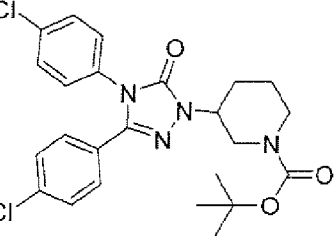
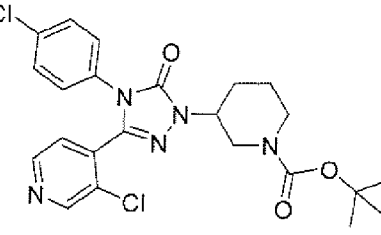
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212		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2-[1-(3,3,3-trifluoropropanoyl)piperidin-4-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.17	533.1
213		6-[3,4-bis(4-chlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]nicotinonitrile	1.37	407.0
214		butyl 4-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]piperidine-1-carboxylate	1.25	473.2
215		butyl 4-[[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]methyl]piperidine-1-carboxylate	1.27	487.2
216		ethyl [3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]acetate	1.28	416.1
217		ethyl {3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}acetate	1.28	426.1
218		ethyl {4-[4-(benzyloxy)phenyl]-3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}acetate	1.32	464.1

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219		ethyl 2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]propanoate	1.3	430.1
220		ethyl 2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]propanoate	1.31	440.1
221		ethyl 2-[4-[4-(benzyloxy)phenyl]-3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]propanoate	1.34	478.1
222		ethyl 4-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]piperidine-1-carboxylate	1.2	445.1
223		ethyl 4-[4-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(3-chloro-4-pyridinyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-1-piperidinecarboxylate	1.31	461.1
224		ethyl 4-[[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]methyl]piperidine-1-carboxylate	1.2	459.1
225		isobutyl 4-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]piperidine-1-carboxylate	1.25	473.2

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226		isobutyl 4-[4-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(3-chloro-4-pyridinyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-1-piperidinecarboxylate	1.37	489.1
227		isobutyl 4-[[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]methyl]piperidine-1-carboxylate	1.25	487.2
228		isopropyl 4-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]piperidine-1-carboxylate	1.22	459.1
229		isopropyl 4-[4-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(3-chloro-4-pyridinyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-1-piperidinecarboxylate	1.33	475.1
230		isopropyl 4-[[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]methyl]piperidine-1-carboxylate	1.23	473.2
231		methyl 4-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-1-(3,3-dimethyl-2-oxobutyl)-5-oxo-1,5-dihydro-4H-1,2,4-triazol-4-yl]benzoate	1.27	428.1
232		methyl 4-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]piperidine-1-carboxylate	1.17	431.1

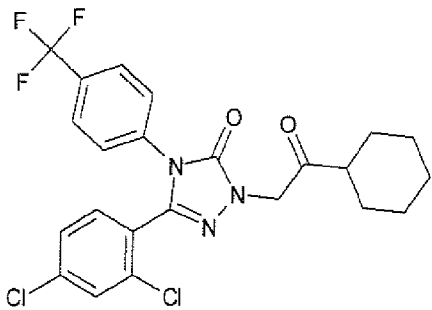
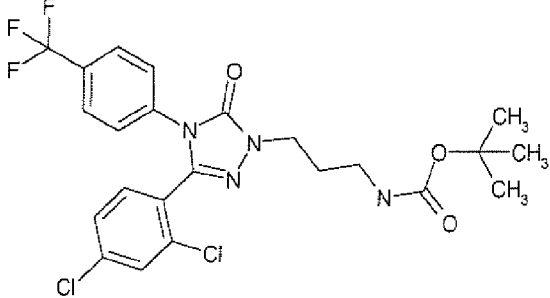
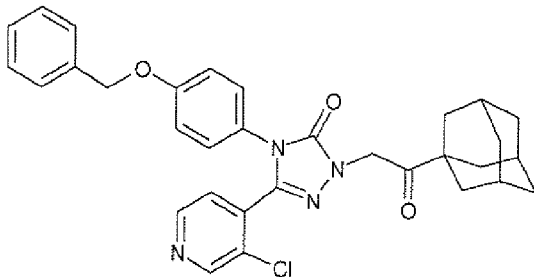
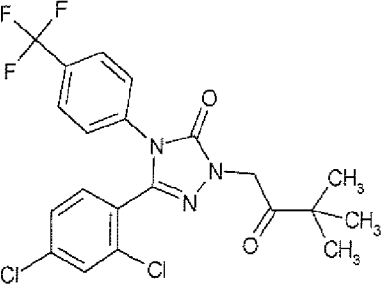
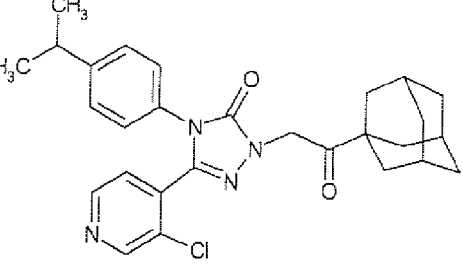
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233		methyl 4-[4-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(3-chloro-4-pyridinyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-1-piperidinecarboxylate	1.2	447.1
234		N-( <i>sec</i> -butyl)-4-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]piperidine-1-carboxamide	1.25	472.2
235		N-( <i>sec</i> -butyl)-4-[[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]methyl]piperidine-1-carboxamide	1.26	486.2
236		N-( <i>tert</i> -butyl)-2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]acetamide	1.29	453.1
237		N-( <i>tert</i> -butyl)-4-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]piperidine-1-carboxamide	1.26	472.2
238		N-( <i>tert</i> -butyl)-4-[[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]methyl]piperidine-1-carboxamide	1.27	486.2
239		N-{2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]ethyl}-2-methylpropanamide	1.26	443.2

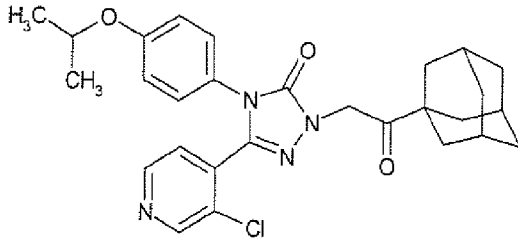
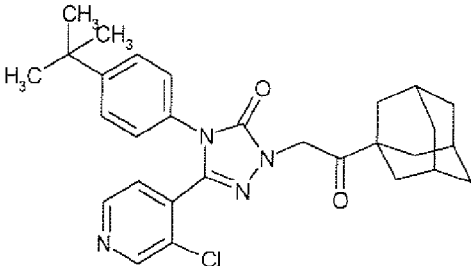
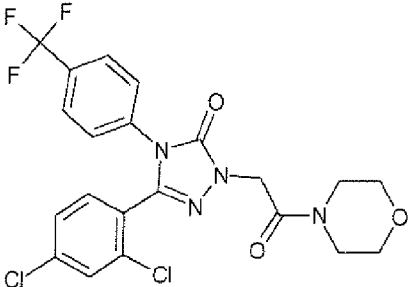
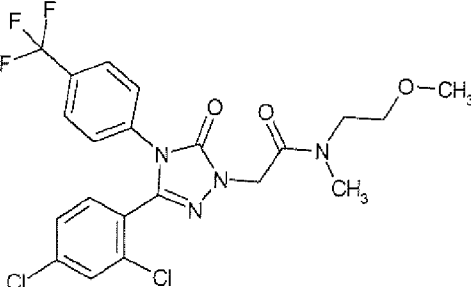
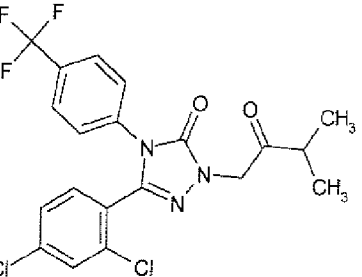
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240		N-(2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]ethyl)cyclopropanecarboxamide	1.25	441.2
241		N-(2-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]ethyl)-2,2-dimethylpropanamide	1.28	457.2
242		N-butyl-4-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]piperidine-1-carboxamide	1.25	472.2
243		N-butyl-4-[[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]methyl]piperidine-1-carboxamide	1.26	486.2
244		propyl 4-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]piperidine-1-carboxylate	1.23	459.1
245		propyl 4-[[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]methyl]piperidine-1-carboxylate	1.23	473.2
246		<i>tert</i> -butyl (1-[[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]acetyl]piperidin-4-yl)carbamate	1.31	570.2

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247		tert-butyl (3-{3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}propyl)carbamate	1.33	497.1
248		tert-butyl [3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]acetate	1.33	444.2
249		tert-butyl {3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}acetate	1.33	454.1
250		tert-butyl {4-[4-(benzyloxy)phenyl]-3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}acetate	1.37	492.2
251		tert-butyl 3-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]piperidine-1-carboxylate	1.34	473.2
252		tert-butyl 3-[3,4-bis(4-chlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-1-piperidinecarboxylate	1.45	488.1
253		tert-butyl 3-[4-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(3-chloro-4-pyridinyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-1-piperidinecarboxylate	1.37	489.1



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254		<i>tert</i> -butyl 4-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]piperidine-1-carboxylate	1.33	473.2
255		<i>tert</i> -butyl 4-[4-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-1-piperidinecarboxylate	1.35	489.1
256		<i>tert</i> -butyl 4-[[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]methyl]piperidine-1-carboxylate	1.34	487.2
257		<i>tert</i> -butyl 4-[[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]acetyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate	1.31	556.2
258		<i>tert</i> -butyl 4-[[3,4-bis(4-chlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]methyl]-1-piperidinecarboxylate	1.46	502.2
259		<i>tert</i> -butyl 4-[3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]piperidine-1-carboxylate	1.37	523.2

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260		2-(2-cyclohexyl-2-oxoethyl)-5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.33	498.21
261		tert-butyl (3-{3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}propyl)carbamate	1.36	474.96
262		2-[2-(1-adamantyl)-2-oxoethyl]-4-[4-(benzyloxy)phenyl]-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.44	555.15
263		5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-(3,3-dimethyl-2-oxobutyl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.41	472.03
264		2-[2-(1-adamantyl)-2-oxoethyl]-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropylphenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.45	491.15

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265		2-[2-(1-adamantyl)-2-oxoethyl]-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.41	507.16
266		2-[2-(1-adamantyl)-2-oxoethyl]-4-(4-tert-butylphenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.45	505.16
267		5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-(2-morpholin-4-yl-2-oxoethyl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.24	500.97
268		2-[3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N-(2-methoxyethyl)-N-methylacetamide	1.29	503.04
269		5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-(3-methyl-2-oxobutyl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.28	480.14

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270		N-(3-{3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}propyl)-2-methylpropanamide	1.31	501.03
271		5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-(2-hydroxy-3,3-dimethylbutyl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.32	473.93
272		2-[(3-tert-butyl-1,2,4-oxadiazol-5-yl)methyl]-5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.37	512.03
273		tert-butyl (3-{3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}propyl)methylcarbamate	0.68	545.13
274		4-[4-(benzyloxy)phenyl]-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(3,3-dimethyl-2-oxobutyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.23	477.08

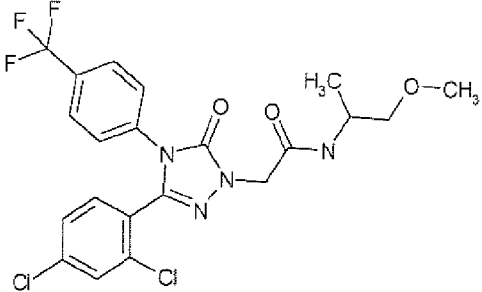
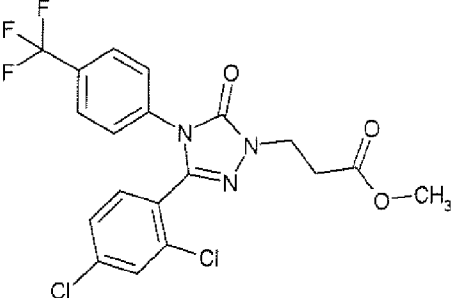
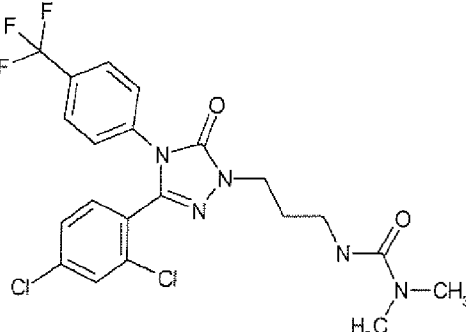
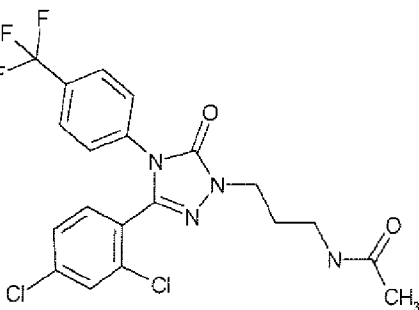
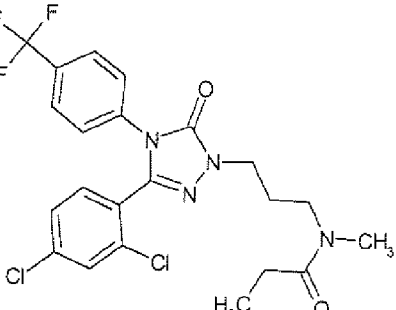
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276		3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-N-isopropyl-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazole-1-carboxamide	1.34	458.97
277		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2-cyclohexylethyl)-4-(4-isopropylphenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.36	425.13
278		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(3,3-dimethyl-2-oxobutyl)-4-(4-isopropylphenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.22	413.09
279		5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-(2-oxobutyl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.3	444.02

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280		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2-cyclohexyl-2-oxoethyl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.24	487.23
281		tert-butyl {3-[4-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]propyl}carbamate	0.56	497.08
282		5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-(2-oxopropyl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.28	430.01
283		4-(4-tert-butylphenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(3,3-dimethyl-2-oxobutyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.24	427.12
284		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2-cyclohexylethyl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.33	441.09

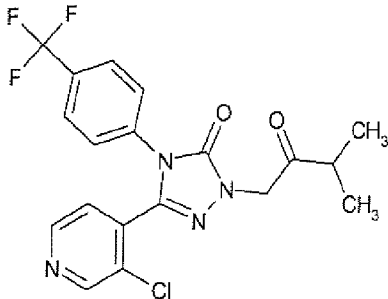
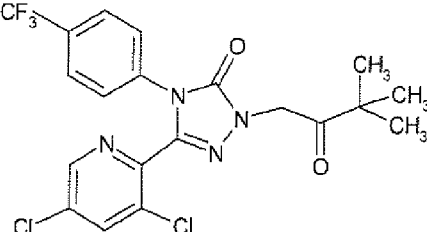
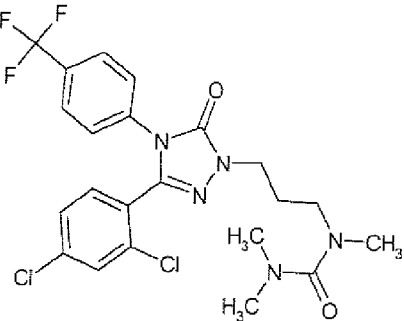
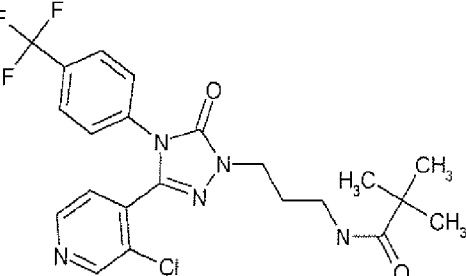
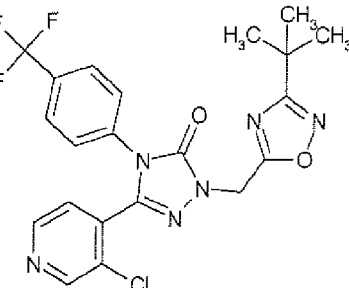
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286		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2-hydroxy-3,3-dimethylbutyl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.33	441.08
287		N-(3-{3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}propyl)propanamide	1.3	487.01
288		2-{3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}-N-(tetrahydro-2H-pyran-4-yl)acetamide	1.28	515.01
289		2-{3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}-N-(2-ethoxyethyl)acetamide	1.29	503.01

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290		N-(3-{3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}propyl)cyclohexanecarboxamide	1.27	508.12
291		N-(3-{3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}propyl)cyclohexanecarboxamide	1.35	541.06
292		2-[2-(4-cyclobutylpiperazin-1-yl)-2-oxoethyl]-5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.17	554.25
293		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-[4-(difluoromethoxy)phenyl]-2-(3,3-dimethyl-2-oxobutyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.28	437.08
294		N-(3-{3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}propyl)-N,2-dimethylpropanamide	1.57	515.12

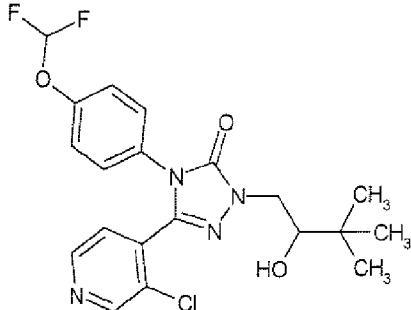
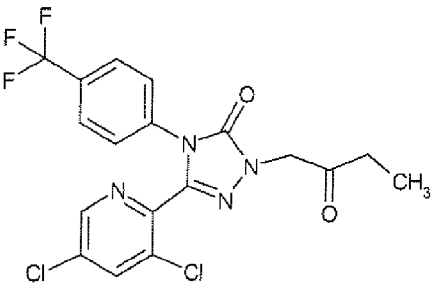
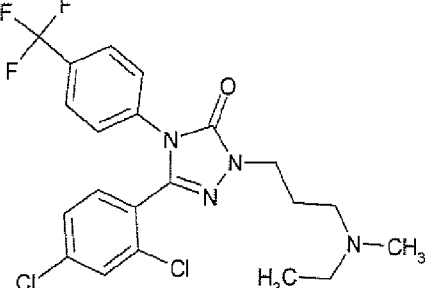
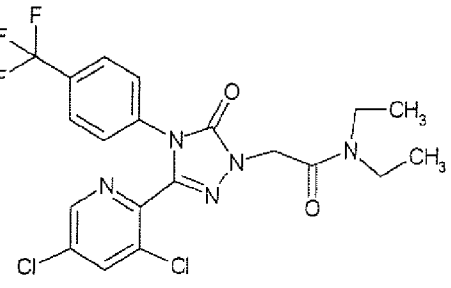
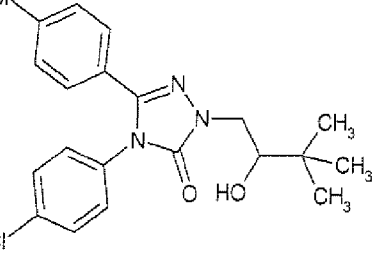


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296		methyl 3-{3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}propanoate	1.32	459.95
297		3-(3-{3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}propyl)-1,1-dimethylurea	1.29	502.01
298		N-(3-{3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}propyl)acetamide	1.28	473.00
299		N-(3-{3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}propyl)-N-methylpropanamide	1.1	501.10

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300		N-(3-(3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)propyl)-N-methylacetamide	1.19	487.08
301		2-[3-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-oxopropyl]-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-isopropoxyphenyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.25	496.98
302		3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-N-propyl-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazole-1-carboxamide	1.25	426.07
303		ethyl {3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}acetate	1.31	460.00
304		2-[3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl]-N-(2-methoxyethyl)acetamide	1.27	489.01

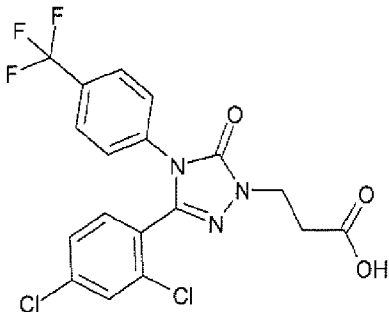
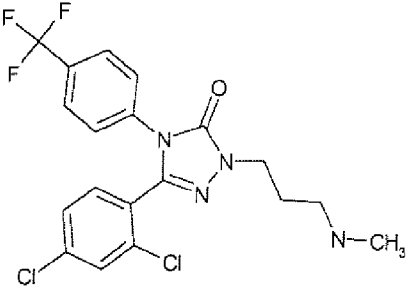
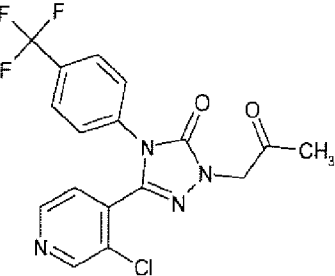
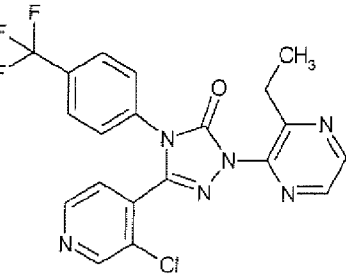
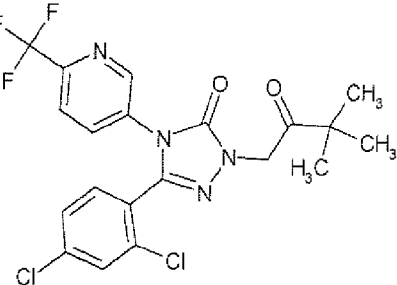
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306		5-(3,5-dichloropyridin-2-yl)-2-(3,3-dimethyl-2-oxobutyl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.34	473.10
307		1-(3-{(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}propyl)-1,3,3-trimethylurea	1.52	516.11
308		N-(3-{(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}propyl)-2,2-dimethylpropanamide	1.25	482.11
309		2-[(3-tert-butyl-1,2,4-oxadiazol-5-yl)methyl]-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.27	479.07

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310		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2-hydroxy-3,3-dimethylbutyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.21	407.02
311		5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-{3-[methyl(propyl)amino]propyl}-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.25	487.15
312		tert-butyl {3-(3,5-dichloropyridin-2-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}acetate	1.35	433.05
313		3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-N-isopropyl-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazole-1-carboxamide	1.26	426.06
314		3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-N-cyclohexyl-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazole-1-carboxamide	1.32	466.08

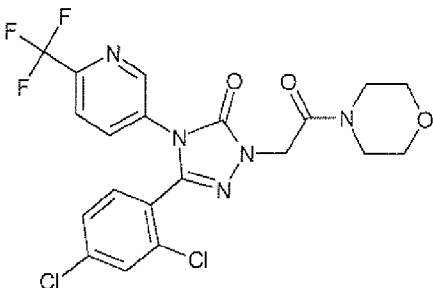
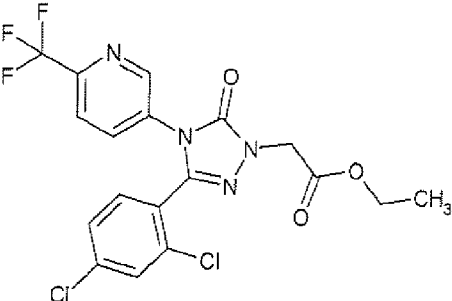
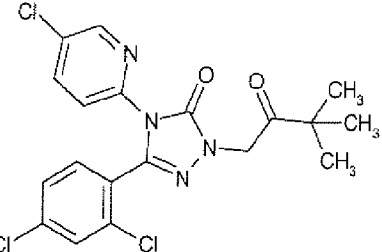
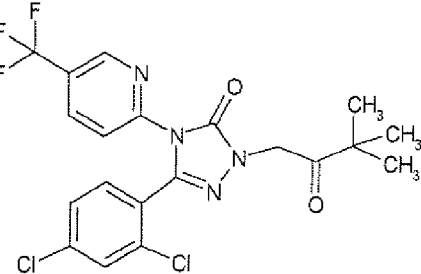
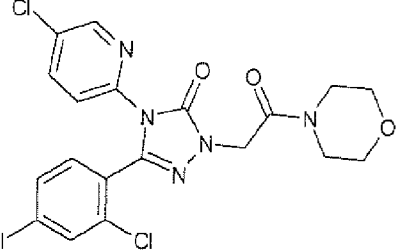
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316		5-(3,5-dichloropyridin-2-yl)-2-(2-oxobutyl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.29	445.08
317		5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-{3-[ethyl(methyl)amino]propyl}-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.24	473.14
318		2-{3-(3,5-dichloropyridin-2-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}-N,N-diethylacetamide	1.29	488.11
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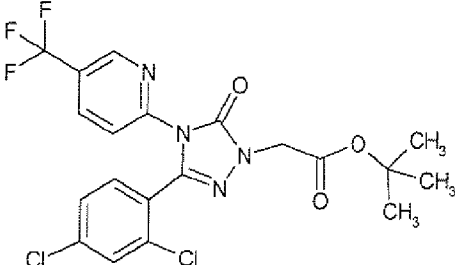
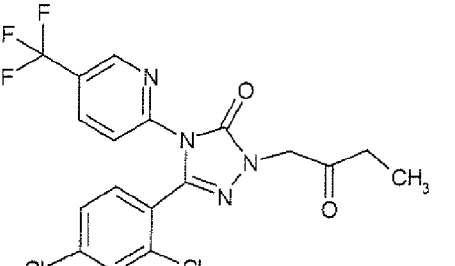
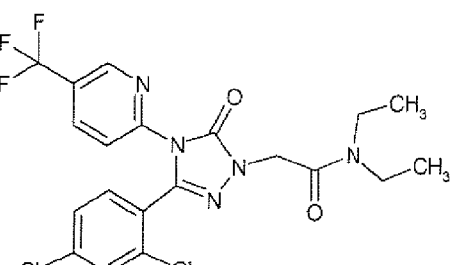
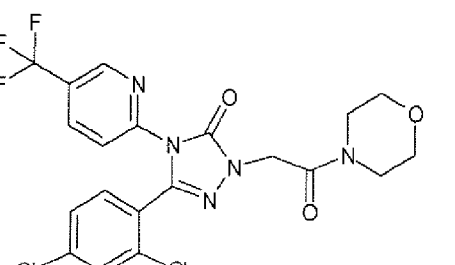
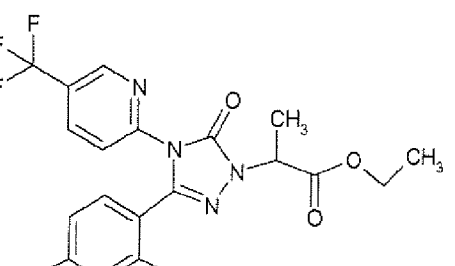
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321		ethyl 2-{3-(3,5-dichloropyridin-2-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}propanoate	1.33	475.08
322		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-[4-(difluoromethoxy)phenyl]-2-(2-morpholin-4-yl-2-oxoethyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.08	466.01
323		N-(2-{3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}ethyl)cyclohexanecarboxamide	1.26	494.10
324		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[2-(4-cyclobutylpiperazin-1-yl)-2-oxoethyl]-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.1	521.10

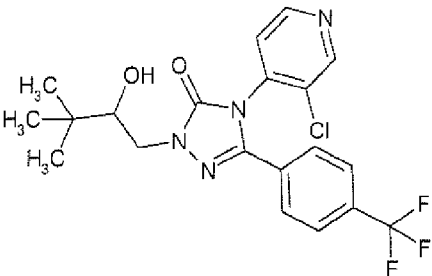
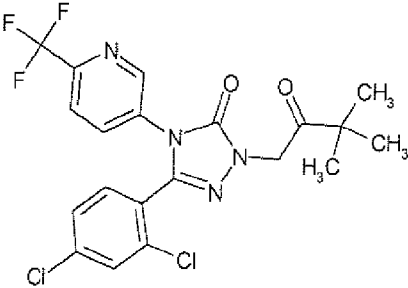
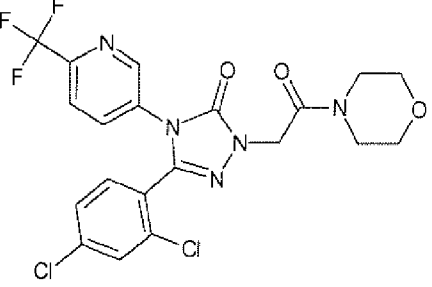
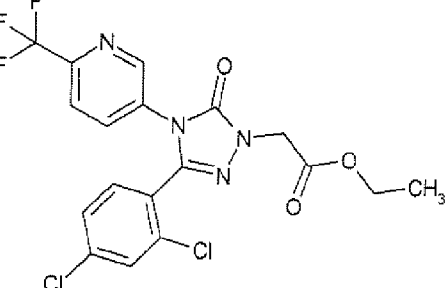
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326		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-(2-hydroxy-3,3-dimethylbutyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.29	391.10
327		5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-[3-(dimethylamino)propyl]-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.24	459.13
328		4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-[3-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-2-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.23	451.99
329		2-{3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}-N-(tetrahydro-2H-pyran-4-yl)acetamide	1.18	482.06
330		N-(3-{3-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}propyl)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-4-carboxamide	1.2	510.11

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331		3-{3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}propanoic acid	1.29	445.94
332		5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-[3-(methylamino)propyl]-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.16	445.07
333		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2-oxopropyl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.16	397.05
334		5-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(3-ethylpyrazin-2-yl)-4-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.24	447.02
335		5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-(3,3-dimethyl-2-oxobutyl)-4-[6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-3-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.3	473.00



	<u>Compound</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Ret Time</u>	<u>MS</u>
336		5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-(2-morpholin-4-yl-2-oxoethyl)-4-[6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-3-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.23	501.99
337		ethyl {3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-3-yl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}acetate	1.29	460.98
338		4-(5-chloropyridin-2-yl)-5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-(3,3-dimethyl-2-oxobutyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.29	439.00
339		5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-(3,3-dimethyl-2-oxobutyl)-4-[6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-2-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.36	473.00
340		4-(5-chloropyridin-2-yl)-5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-(2-morpholin-4-yl-2-oxoethyl)-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.2	468.00

	<u>Compound</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Ret Time</u>	<u>MS</u>
341		tert-butyl {3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[5-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-2-yl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}acetate	0.54	489.06
342		5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-(2-oxobutyl)-4-[5-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-2-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	0.54	445.04
343		2-{3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[5-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-2-yl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}-N,N-diethylacetamide	0.76	488.08
344		5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-(2-morpholin-4-yl-2-oxoethyl)-4-[5-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-2-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.28	501.98
345		ethyl 2-{3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[5-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-2-yl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}propanoate	0.72	475.05

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346		4-(3-chloropyridin-4-yl)-2-(2-hydroxy-3,3-dimethylbutyl)-5-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.26	359.18
347		5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-(3,3-dimethyl-2-oxobutyl)-4-[6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-3-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.3	473.00
348		5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-(2-morpholin-4-yl-2-oxoethyl)-4-[6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-3-yl]-2,4-dihydro-3H-1,2,4-triazol-3-one	1.23	501.99
349		ethyl {3-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-oxo-4-[6-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-3-yl]-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl}acetate	1.29	460.98

#### EXAMPLE 10. BACULOVIRAL PREPARATIONS FOR CB1 EXPRESSION

This Example illustrates the preparation of recombinant baculovirus for use in generating CB1-expressing insect cells.

The human CB1 sequence has GenBank Accession Number HSU73304, and was reported by  
 5 Hoehe et al. (1991) *New Biol.* 3(9):880-85. Human CB1 (hCB1) cDNA is amplified from a human brain cDNA library (Gibco BRL, Gaithersburg, MD) using PCR, in which the 5' primer includes the optimal Kozak sequence CCACC. The resulting PCR product is cloned into pcDNA3.1/V5-His-TOPO (Invitrogen Corp, Carlsbad, CA) using the multiple cloning site, and then subcloned into

pBACPAK<sub>8</sub> (BD Biosciences, Palo Alto, CA) at the Bam/Xho site to yield a hCB1 baculoviral expression vector.

The hCB1 baculoviral expression vector is co-transfected along with BACULOGOLD DNA (BD PharMingen, San Diego, CA) into Sf9 cells. The Sf9 cell culture supernatant is harvested three days post-transfection. The recombinant virus-containing supernatant is serially diluted in Hink's TNM-FH insect medium (JRH Biosciences, Kansas City, MO) supplemented with Grace's salts and with 4.1mM L-Gln, 3.3 g/L LAH, 3.3 g/L ultrafiltered yeastolate and 10% heat-inactivated fetal bovine serum (hereinafter "insect medium") and plaque assayed for recombinant plaques. After four days, recombinant plaques are selected and harvested into 1 ml of insect medium for amplification. Each 1 ml volume of recombinant baculovirus (at passage 0) is used to infect a separate T25 flask containing 2 x 10<sup>6</sup> Sf9 cells in 5 ml of insect medium. After five days of incubation at 27 °C, supernatant medium is harvested from each of the T25 infections for use as passage 1 inoculum.

Two of seven recombinant baculoviral clones are then chosen for a second round of amplification, using 1 ml of passage 1 stock to infect 1 x 10<sup>8</sup> cells in 100 ml of insect medium divided into 2 T175 flasks. Forty-eight hours post infection, passage 2 medium from each 100 ml preparation is harvested and plaque assayed for titer. The cell pellets from the second round of amplification are assayed by affinity binding as described below to verify recombinant receptor expression. A third round of amplification is then initiated using a multiplicity of infection of 0.1 to infect a liter of Sf9 cells. Seventy-two hours post-infection the supernatant medium is harvested to yield passage 3 baculoviral stock.

The remaining cell pellet is assayed for affinity binding. Radioligand is 25pM-5.0nM [<sup>3</sup>H]CP55,940 for saturation binding and 0.5nM for competition binding (New England Nuclear Corp., Boston, MA); the hCB1-expressing baculoviral cells are used; the assay buffer contains 50 mM Tris pH 7.4, 120mM NaCl, 5 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 0.5% BSA and 0.2 mg/ml bacitracin; filtration is carried out using GF/C WHATMAN filters (presoaked in 0.3% non-fat dry milk (H<sub>2</sub>O) for 2 hours prior to use); and the filters are washed twice with 5 mL cold 50mM Tris pH.7.4.

Titer of the passage 3 baculoviral stock is determined by plaque assay and a multiplicity of infection, incubation time course, binding assay experiment is carried out to determine conditions for optimal receptor expression.

#### 30 EXAMPLE 11. BACULOVIRAL INFECTIONS

Log-phase Sf9 cells (Invitrogen Corp., Carlsbad, CA), are infected with one or more stocks of recombinant baculovirus followed by culturing in insect medium at 27 °C. Infections are carried out either only with virus directing the expression of hCB1 or with this virus in combination with three G-protein subunit-expression virus stocks: 1) rat Gα<sub>12</sub> G-protein-encoding virus stock, 2) bovine β1 G-protein-encoding virus stock, and 3) human γ2 G-protein-encoding virus stock, all of which are obtained from Biosignal Inc., Montreal, Canada.

Typical hCBI infections are conducted using Sf9 cells that are cultured in insect medium supplemented with 10% heat-inactivated fetal bovine serum (FBS) as discussed above. Higher receptor and G-protein (G $\alpha$ , G $\beta$ , G $\gamma$ ) expression can be obtained if the Sf9 cells are cultured in insect medium with 5% FBS and 5% Gibco serum-free medium (Invitrogen Corp.; Carlsbad, CA). Maximal  
5 CBI expression and functional activity is achieved if the Sf9 cells are cultured in insect medium without FBS and with 10% Gibco serum-free medium. The infections are carried out at a multiplicity of infection of 0.1:1.0:0.5:0.5. At 72 hours post-infection, a sample of cell suspension is analyzed for viability by trypan blue dye exclusion, and the remaining Sf9 cells are harvested via centrifugation (3000 rpm/ 10 min/ 4 °C).

#### 10 EXAMPLE 12. PURIFIED RECOMBINANT INSECT CELL MEMBRANES

Sf9 cell pellets are resuspended in homogenization buffer (10 mM HEPES, 250 mM sucrose, 0.5  $\mu$ g/ml leupeptin, 2  $\mu$ g/ml Aprotinin, 200  $\mu$ M PMSF, and 2.5 mM EDTA, pH 7.4) and homogenized using a POLYTRON homogenizer (setting 5 for 30 seconds). The homogenate is centrifuged (536 x g/  
15 10 min/ 4 °C) to pellet the nuclei. The supernatant containing isolated membranes is decanted to a clean centrifuge tube, centrifuged (48,000 X g/ 30 min, 4 °C) and the resulting pellet resuspended in 30 ml homogenization buffer. This centrifugation and resuspension step is repeated twice. The final pellet is resuspended in ice cold Dulbecco's PBS containing 5 mM EDTA and stored in frozen aliquots at -80 °C until needed. The protein concentration of the resulting membrane preparation (hereinafter "P2 membranes") is measured using a Bradford protein assay (Bio-Rad Laboratories, Hercules, CA).  
20 By this measure, a 1-liter culture of cells typically yields 100-150 mg of total membrane protein.

#### EXAMPLE 13. RADIOLIGAND BINDING ASSAYS

P2 membranes are resuspended by Dounce homogenization (tight pestle) in binding buffer (50 mM Tris pH. 7.4, 120mM NaCl, 5 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 0.5% BSA and 0.2 mg/ml bacitracin).

For saturation binding analysis, membranes (10  $\mu$ g) are added to polypropylene tubes  
25 containing 25pM–0.5nM [<sup>3</sup>H]CP55,940 (New England Nuclear Corp., Boston, MA). Nonspecific binding is determined in the presence of 10 $\mu$ M CP55,940 (Toocris Cookson Inc., Ellisville, MO) and accounts for less than 10% of total binding. For evaluation of guanine nucleotide effects on receptor affinity, GTP $\gamma$ S is added to duplicate tubes at the final concentration of 50  $\mu$ M.

For competition analysis, membranes (10  $\mu$ g) are added to polypropylene tubes containing  
30 0.5nM [<sup>3</sup>H]CP55,940. Non-radiolabeled displacers are added to separate assays at concentrations ranging from 10<sup>-10</sup> M to 10<sup>-5</sup> M to yield a final volume of 0.250 mL. Nonspecific binding is determined in the presence of 10 $\mu$ M CP55,940 and accounted for less than 10% of total binding. Following a one-hour incubation at rt, the reaction is terminated by rapid vacuum filtration. Samples are filtered over presoaked (0.3% non-fat dry milk for 2 hours prior to use) GF/C WHATMAN filters  
35 and rinsed 2 times with 5 mL cold 50mM Tris pH 7.4. Remaining bound radioactivity is quantified by

gamma counting.  $K_i$  and Hill coefficient ("nH") are determined by fitting the Hill equation to the measured values with the aid of SIGMAPLOT software (SPSS Inc., Chicago, IL).

#### EXAMPLE 14. AGONIST-INDUCED GTP BINDING

This Example illustrates the use of agonist-stimulated  $GTP\gamma^{35}S$  binding ("GTP binding") activity to identify CB1 agonists and antagonists, and to differentiate neutral antagonists from those that possess inverse agonist activity. This assay can also be used to detect partial agonism mediated by antagonist compounds. A compound being analyzed in this assay is referred to herein as a "test compound." Agonist-stimulated GTP binding activity is measured as follows: Four independent baculoviral stocks (one directing the expression of hCB1 and three directing the expression of each of the three subunits of a heterotrimeric G-protein) are used to infect a culture of *Sy9* cells as described in Example 11.

Agonist-stimulated GTP binding on purified membranes (prepared as described in Example 12) is initially assessed using the cannabinoid agonist CP55,940 to ascertain that the receptor/G-protein-alpha-beta-gamma combination(s) yield a functional response as measured by GTP binding.

P2 membranes are resuspended by Dounce homogenization (tight pestle) in GTP binding assay buffer (50 mM Tris pH 7.4, 120 mM NaCl, 5 mM  $MgCl_2$ , 2 mM EGTA, 0.1% BSA, 0.1 mM bacitracin, 100KIU/mL aprotinin, 5  $\mu$ M GDP) and added to reaction tubes at a concentration of 10  $\mu$ g protein/reaction tube. After adding increasing doses of the agonist CP55,940 at concentrations ranging from  $10^{-12}$  M to  $10^{-6}$  M, reactions are initiated by the addition of 100 pM  $GTP\gamma^{35}S$ . In competition experiments, non-radiolabeled test compounds are added to separate assays at concentrations ranging from  $10^{-10}$  M to  $10^{-5}$  M along with 1 nM CP55,940 to yield a final volume of 0.25 mL.

Following a 60-minute incubation at room temperature, the reactions are terminated by vacuum filtration over GF/C filters (pre-soaked in wash buffer, 0.1% BSA) followed by washing with ice-cold wash buffer (50 mM Tris pH 7.0, 120mM NaCl). The amount of receptor-bound (and thereby membrane-bound)  $GTP\gamma^{35}S$  is determined by measuring the bound radioactivity, preferably by liquid scintillation spectrometry of the washed filters. Non-specific binding is determined using 10 mM  $GTP\gamma^{35}S$  and typically represents less than 5 percent of total binding. Data is expressed as percent above basal (baseline). The results of these GTP binding experiments are analyzed using SIGMAPLOT software and  $IC_{50}$  determined. The  $IC_{50}$  may then be used to generate  $K_i$  as described by Cheng and Prusoff (1973) *Biochem Pharmacol.* 22(23):3099-108.

Alternatively the data is analyzed as follows. First, the average bound radioactivity from negative control wells (no agonist) is subtracted from the bound radioactivity detected for each of the other experimental wells. Second, average bound radioactivity is calculated for the positive control wells (agonist wells). Then, percent inhibition for each compound tested is calculated using the equation:

$$\text{Percent Inhibition} = 100 - 100 \times \left[ \frac{\text{Bound radioactivity in Test Wells}}{\text{Bound radioactivity in Agonist Wells}} \right]$$

The % inhibition data is plotted as a function of test compound concentration and test compound  $IC_{50}$  is determined using a linear regression in which  $x$  is  $\ln(\text{concentration of test compound})$  and  $y$  is  $\ln(\text{percent inhibition}/(100 - \text{percent inhibition}))$ . Data with a percent inhibition that is greater than 90% or less than 15% are rejected and are not used in the regression. The  $IC_{50}$  is  
5  $e^{(-\text{intercept}/\text{slope})}$ .

Neutral antagonists are those test compounds that reduce the CP55,940-stimulated GTP binding activity towards, but not below, baseline (the level of GTP bound by membranes in this assay in the absence of added CP55,940 or other agonist and in the further absence of any test compound).

In contrast, in the absence of added CP55,940, CB1 inverse agonists reduce the GTP binding  
10 activity of the receptor-containing membranes below baseline. If a test compound that displays antagonist activity does not reduce the GTP binding activity below baseline in the absence of the CB1 agonist, it is characterized as a neutral antagonist.

An antagonist test compound that elevates GTP binding activity above baseline in the absence of added CP55,940 in this GTP binding assay is characterized as having partial agonist activity.  
15 Preferred CB1 antagonists do not elevate GTP binding activity under such conditions more than 10%, more preferably less than 5% and most preferably less than 2% of the maximal response elicited by the agonist, CP55,940.

The GTP binding assay can also be used to determine antagonist selectivity towards CB1 over CB2. Agonist-stimulated GTP binding activity at CB2 is measured as described above for CB1 except  
20 that the *Sy9* cells are infected with one baculoviral stock directing the expression of hCB2 and three directing the expression of each of the three subunits of a heterotrimeric G-protein. The  $IC_{50}$  and  $K_i$  are generated as described above for CB1.

#### EXAMPLE 15. SURMOUNTABILITY ASSAYS

Certain CB1 antagonists are insurmountable with regard to the agonist induced  $GTP\gamma^{35}S$   
25 binding effect. To assess surmountability, P2 membranes are resuspended by Dounce homogenization (tight pestle) in GTP binding assay buffer (50 mM Tris pH 7.4, 120 mM NaCl, 5 mM  $MgCl_2$ , 2 mM EGTA, 10  $\mu$ g/ml saponin, 0.1% BSA, 0.1 mM bacitracin, 100KIU/mL aprotinin, 5  $\mu$ M GDP) and added to reaction tubes at a concentration of 10  $\mu$ g protein/reaction tube. Agonist dose-response curves (typically CP55,940) at concentrations ranging from  $10^{-12}$  M to  $10^{-5}$  M, are run either in the  
30 absence or in the presence of a test compound at one of several doses up to 100X the  $IC_{50}$  of the test compound as measured in the competition  $GTP\gamma^{35}S$  binding. The reactions are initiated by the addition of 100 pM  $GTP\gamma^{35}S$  to yield a final volume of 0.25 mL. Following a 90-minute incubation at rt, the reactions are terminated by vacuum filtration over GF/C filters (pre-soaked in wash buffer, 0.1% BSA) followed by washing with ice-cold wash buffer (50 mM Tris pH 7.0, 120mM NaCl). The

amount of receptor-bound (and thereby membrane-bound)  $\text{GTP}\gamma^{35}\text{S}$  is determined by measuring the bound radioactivity, preferably by liquid scintillation spectrometry of the washed filters. Non-specific binding is determined using  $10\ \mu\text{M}$   $\text{GTP}\gamma\text{S}$  and typically represents less than 5 percent of total binding. Data is expressed as percent above basal (baseline). The results of these GTP binding experiments may be conveniently analyzed using SIGMAPLOT software. A surmountable test compound is one which shifts the  $\text{EC}_{50}$  of the agonist to the right (weaker) without affecting the maximum functional response of the agonist. Insurmountable antagonist test compounds have no significant effect on the hCB1 agonist  $\text{EC}_{50}$  at concentrations roughly 100X the  $\text{IC}_{50}$ , but significantly reduce or eliminate the agonist stimulated  $\text{GTP}\gamma^{35}\text{S}$  binding response of the receptor.

#### 10 EXAMPLE 16. MDCK CYTOTOXICITY ASSAY

This Example illustrates the evaluation of compound toxicity using a Madin Darby canine kidney (MDCK) cell cytotoxicity assay.

1  $\mu\text{L}$  of test compound is added to each well of a clear bottom 96-well plate (Packard, Meriden, CT) to give final concentration of compound in the assay of  $10\ \mu\text{M}$ ,  $100\ \mu\text{M}$  or  $200\ \mu\text{M}$ .

15 Solvent without test compound is added to control wells.

MDCK cells, ATCC no. CCL-34 (American Type Culture Collection, Manassas, VA), are maintained in sterile conditions following the instructions in the ATCC production information sheet. Confluent MDCK cells are trypsinized, harvested, and diluted to a concentration of  $0.1 \times 10^6$  cells/mL with warm ( $37^\circ\text{C}$ ) medium (VITACELL Minimum Essential Medium Eagle, ATCC catalog # 30-2003).  $100\ \mu\text{L}$  of diluted cells is added to each well, except for five standard curve control wells that contain  $100\ \mu\text{L}$  of warm medium without cells. The plate is then incubated at  $37^\circ\text{C}$  under 95%  $\text{O}_2$ , 5%  $\text{CO}_2$  for 2 hours with constant shaking. After incubation,  $50\ \mu\text{L}$  of mammalian cell lysis solution (from the Packard (Meriden, CT) ATP-LITE-M Luminescent ATP detection kit) is added per well, the wells are covered with PACKARD TOPSEAL stickers, and plates are shaken at approximately 700 rpm on a suitable shaker for 2 min.

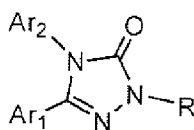
25 Compounds causing toxicity will decrease ATP production, relative to untreated cells. The ATP-LITE-M Luminescent ATP detection kit is generally used according to the manufacturer's instructions to measure ATP production in treated and untreated MDCK cells. PACKARD ATP LITE-M reagents are allowed to equilibrate to rt. Once equilibrated, the lyophilized substrate solution is reconstituted in 5.5 mL of substrate buffer solution (from kit). Lyophilized ATP standard solution is reconstituted in deionized water to give a 10 mM stock. For the five control wells,  $10\ \mu\text{L}$  of serially diluted PACKARD standard is added to each of the standard curve control wells to yield a final concentration in each subsequent well of 200 nM, 100 nM, 50 nM, 25 nM, and 12.5 nM. PACKARD substrate solution ( $50\ \mu\text{L}$ ) is added to all wells, which are then covered, and the plates are shaken at approximately 700 rpm on a suitable shaker for 2 min. A white PACKARD sticker is attached to the bottom of each plate and samples are dark adapted by wrapping plates in foil and placing in the dark



for 10 min. Luminescence is then measured at 22°C using a luminescence counter (*e.g.*, PACKARD TOPCOUNT Microplate Scintillation and Luminescence Counter or TECAN SPECTRAFLUOR PLUS), and ATP levels calculated from the standard curve. ATP levels in cells treated with test compound(s) are compared to the levels determined for untreated cells. Cells treated with 10 µM of a preferred test compound exhibit ATP levels that are at least 80%, preferably at least 90%, of the untreated cells. When a 100 µM concentration of the test compound is used, cells treated with preferred test compounds exhibit ATP levels that are at least 50%, preferably at least 80%, of the ATP levels detected in untreated cells.

What is claimed is:

I. A compound of the formula:



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein:

Ar<sub>1</sub> and Ar<sub>2</sub> are independently chosen from phenyl and 6-membered heteroaryl, each of which is substituted with from 1 to 4 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>A</sub>;

R is C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkenyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl ether, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkoxycarbonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkylsulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, or mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminocarbonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; each of which is substituted with from 0 to 6 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>; or

R is a group of the formula -L-A-X-B or -L-X-A-B, wherein:

L is C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>alkylene optionally substituted with R<sub>B</sub>;

A is a 5- to 8-membered heterocycloalkyl group that is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>;

X is absent, -C(=O)-, -N(R<sub>X</sub>)C(=O)-, -C(=O)N(R<sub>X</sub>)- or -S(O<sub>2</sub>)-; wherein R<sub>X</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; and

B is absent or cyano, such that if B is absent or cyano, then X is absent; or

B is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)amino, or 4- to 7-membered heterocycloalkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>;

such that R is not morpholin-4-ylmethyl;

Each R<sub>A</sub> is independently chosen from:

- (i) halogen, hydroxy, cyano, amino, nitro, aminocarbonyl, aminosulfonyl and -COOH; and
- (ii) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkynyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxycarbonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkylsulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminocarbonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, phenylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, phenylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy, (4- to 8-membered heterocycle)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl and (4- to 8-membered heterocycle)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy; each of which is substituted with from 0 to 6 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>; and

Each R<sub>B</sub> is independently chosen from:

- (i) oxo, halogen, hydroxy, cyano, amino, nitro, aminocarbonyl, aminosulfonyl, and -COOH; and
- (ii) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkynyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkylsulfonyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)sulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl and mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; each

of which is substituted with from 0 to 6 substituents independently chosen from oxo, halogen, hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy.

2. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 1, wherein Ar<sub>2</sub> is substituted phenyl or substituted pyridyl.

3. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 2, wherein Ar<sub>2</sub> is phenyl, pyridin-2-yl or pyridin-3-yl, each of which is substituted at the *para* position with halogen, hydroxy, cyano, amino, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>haloalkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxycarbonyl or phenylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy.

4. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to any one of claims 1-3, wherein Ar<sub>1</sub> is substituted phenyl.

5. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 4, wherein Ar<sub>1</sub> is phenyl that is substituted at the 2-position and at the 4-position, each of which substituents of Ar<sub>2</sub> is independently chosen from halogen, hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkoxy.

6. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to any one of claims 1-3, wherein Ar<sub>1</sub> is substituted pyridyl.

7. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 6, wherein Ar<sub>1</sub> is pyridin-4-yl that is substituted at the 2-position.

8. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 7, wherein Ar<sub>1</sub> is pyridin-4-yl that is substituted at the 2-position with halogen, hydroxy, cyano, amino, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkoxy.

9. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 8, wherein Ar<sub>1</sub> is pyridin-4-yl that is substituted at the 2-position with a halogen.

10. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to any one of claims 1-9, wherein R is C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkenyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, or (4- to 8-membered heterocycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 4 substituents independently chosen from:

(i) oxo and hydroxy; and

(ii) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, (C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)sulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, and mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; each of which is substituted with 0, 1 or 2 oxo moieties.

11. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 10, wherein R is C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkenyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>7</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl ether, or mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 4 substituents independently chosen from oxo, hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy and (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)sulfonyl.

12. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to any one of claims 1-9, wherein R is a group of the formula -L-A-X-B or -L-X-A-B, wherein:

L is C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>alkylene optionally substituted with oxo or hydroxy;

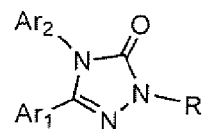
A is a 4- to 6-membered heterocycloalkyl group;

X is absent, -C(=O)-, -N(R<sub>X</sub>)C(=O)-, -C(=O)N(R<sub>X</sub>)- or -S(O<sub>2</sub>)-; wherein R<sub>X</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; and

B is absent or cyano, such that if B is absent or cyano, then X is absent; or

B is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)amino, or 4- to 7-membered heterocycloalkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from oxo, hydroxy, and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl.

13. A compound of the formula:



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein:

Ar<sub>1</sub> is phenyl or 6-membered heteroaryl, each of which is substituted with from 1 to 4 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>A</sub>;

Ar<sub>2</sub> is phenyl or 6-membered heteroaryl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 4 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>A</sub>;

R is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl that is substituted with 1 or 2 substituents independently chosen from halogen, cyano, hydroxy, amino, oxo, such that R does not comprise an aminocarbonyl or carboxy group;

Each R<sub>A</sub> is independently chosen from:

(i) halogen, hydroxy, cyano, amino, nitro, aminocarbonyl, aminosulfonyl and -COOH; and

(ii) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkynyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkylsulfinyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxycarbonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkylsulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminocarbonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, phenylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, phenylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy, (4- to 8-membered heterocycle)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl and (4- to 8-membered heterocycle)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy; each of which is substituted with from 0 to 6 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>; and

Each R<sub>B</sub> is independently chosen from:

(i) oxo, halogen, hydroxy, cyano, amino, nitro, aminocarbonyl, aminosulfonyl, and -COOH; and

(ii) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkynyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkylsulfinyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)sulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl and mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; each of which is substituted with from 0 to 6 substituents independently chosen from oxo, halogen, hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy.

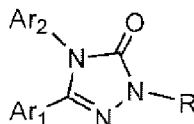
14. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 13, wherein R is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl that is substituted with one hydroxy group or one oxo group.

15. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 13 or claim 14, wherein Ar<sub>1</sub> and Ar<sub>2</sub> are independently phenyl or pyridyl, each of which is substituted with one or two substituents independently chosen from halogen, hydroxy, cyano, amino, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkoxy.

16. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 15, wherein one substituent of Ar<sub>2</sub> is located *para* to the point of attachment.

17. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 15 or claim 16, wherein one substituent of Ar<sub>1</sub> is located *ortho* to the point of attachment.

18. A compound of the formula:



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein:

Ar<sub>1</sub> is 6-membered heteroaryl that is substituted with from 1 to 4 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>A</sub>;

Ar<sub>2</sub> is phenyl or 6-membered heteroaryl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 4 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>A</sub>;

R is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkynyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl ether, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkoxycarbonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkylsulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, or mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminocarbonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; each of which is substituted with from 0 to 6 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>;

or

R is a group of the formula -L-A-X-B or -L-X-A-B, wherein:

L is C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>alkylene optionally substituted with R<sub>B</sub>;

A is a 5- to 8-membered heterocycloalkyl group that is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>;

X is absent,  $-C(=O)-$ ,  $-N(R_X)C(=O)-$ ,  $-C(=O)N(R_X)-$  or  $-S(O_2)-$ ; wherein  $R_X$  is hydrogen or  $C_1-C_4$ alkyl; and

B is absent or cyano, such that if B is absent or cyano, then X is absent; or

B is  $C_1-C_6$ alkyl,  $(C_3-C_6$ cycloalkyl) $C_0-C_2$ alkyl,  $C_1-C_6$ haloalkyl,  $C_1-C_6$ alkoxy,  $C_2-C_6$ alkyl ether, mono- or di- $(C_1-C_6$ alkyl)amino, or 4- to 7-membered heterocycloalkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from  $R_B$ ;

Each  $R_A$  is independently chosen from:

- (i) halogen, hydroxy, cyano, amino, nitro, aminocarbonyl, aminosulfonyl and  $-COOH$ ; and
- (ii)  $C_1-C_6$ alkyl,  $C_2-C_6$ alkenyl,  $C_2-C_6$ alkynyl,  $(C_3-C_8$ cycloalkyl) $C_0-C_4$ alkyl,  $C_1-C_6$ alkoxy,  $C_1-C_6$ alkylthio,  $C_1-C_6$ alkylsulfinyl,  $C_1-C_6$ alkoxycarbonyl,  $C_1-C_6$ alkylsulfonyl $C_0-C_4$ alkyl, mono- or di- $(C_1-C_6$ alkyl)amino $C_0-C_4$ alkyl, mono- or di- $(C_1-C_6$ alkyl)aminosulfonyl $C_0-C_4$ alkyl, mono- or di- $(C_1-C_6$ alkyl)aminocarbonyl $C_0-C_4$ alkyl, phenyl $C_0-C_4$ alkyl, phenyl $C_0-C_4$ alkoxy, (4- to 8-membered heterocycle) $C_0-C_4$ alkyl and (4- to 8-membered heterocycle) $C_0-C_4$ alkoxy; each of which is substituted with from 0 to 6 substituents independently chosen from  $R_B$ ; and

Each  $R_B$  is independently chosen from:

- (i) oxo, halogen, hydroxy, cyano, amino, nitro, aminocarbonyl, aminosulfonyl, and  $-COOH$ ; and
- (ii)  $C_1-C_6$ alkyl,  $C_2-C_6$ alkenyl,  $C_2-C_6$ alkynyl,  $(C_3-C_8$ cycloalkyl) $C_0-C_4$ alkyl,  $C_1-C_6$ alkoxy,  $C_1-C_6$ alkylthio,  $C_1-C_6$ alkylsulfinyl,  $(C_1-C_6$ alkyl)sulfonyl $C_0-C_4$ alkyl,  $C_2-C_6$ alkyl ether, mono- or di- $(C_1-C_6$ alkyl)amino $C_0-C_4$ alkyl and mono- or di- $(C_1-C_6$ alkyl)aminosulfonyl $C_0-C_4$ alkyl; each of which is substituted with from 0 to 6 substituents independently chosen from oxo, halogen, hydroxy,  $C_1-C_4$ alkyl and  $C_1-C_4$ alkoxy.

19. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 18, wherein  $Ar_2$  is substituted phenyl or substituted pyridyl.

20. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 19, wherein  $Ar_2$  is phenyl, pyridin-2-yl or pyridin-3-yl, each of which is substituted at the *para* position with halogen, hydroxy, cyano, amino,  $C_1-C_4$ alkyl,  $C_1-C_4$ haloalkyl,  $C_1-C_4$ alkoxy,  $C_1-C_4$ haloalkoxy,  $C_1-C_4$ alkoxycarbonyl or phenyl $C_0-C_4$ alkoxy.

21. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to any one of claims 18-20, wherein  $Ar_1$  is pyridin-4-yl that is substituted at the 2-position.

22. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 21, wherein  $Ar_1$  is pyridin-4-yl that is substituted at the 2-position with a group selected from halogen, hydroxy, cyano, amino,  $C_1-C_6$ alkyl,  $C_1-C_6$ haloalkyl,  $C_1-C_6$ alkoxy and  $C_1-C_6$ haloalkoxy.

23. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to any one of claims 18-22, wherein R is  $C_1-C_8$ alkyl,  $C_2-C_8$ alkenyl,  $C_2-C_8$ alkynyl,  $(C_3-C_{10}$ cycloalkyl) $C_0-C_2$ alkyl,  $C_2-C_8$ haloalkyl,  $C_2-$

C<sub>8</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, or (4- to 8-membered heterocycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 4 substituents independently chosen from:

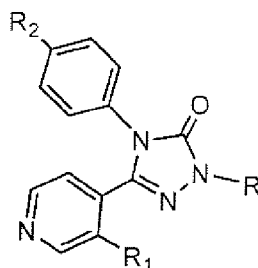
- (i) oxo and hydroxy; and
- (ii) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, (C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)sulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, and mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; each of which is substituted with 0, 1 or 2 oxo moieties.

24. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 23, wherein R is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkynyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>7</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl ether, or mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 4 substituents independently chosen from oxo, hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy and (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)sulfonyl.

25. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to any one of claims 18-22, wherein R is a group of the formula -L-A-X-B or -L-X-A-B, wherein:

- L is C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>alkylene optionally substituted with oxo or hydroxy;
- A is a 4- to 6-membered heterocycloalkyl group;
- X is absent, -C(=O)-, -N(R<sub>X</sub>)C(=O)-, -C(=O)N(R<sub>X</sub>)- or -S(O<sub>2</sub>)-; wherein R<sub>X</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; and
- B is absent or cyano, such that if B is absent or cyano, then X is absent; or
- B is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)amino, or 4- to 7-membered heterocycloalkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from oxo, hydroxy, and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl.

26. A compound of the formula:



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein:

R<sub>1</sub> is halogen, hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkoxy;

R<sub>2</sub> is halogen, hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkoxy or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy that is substituted with a 4- to 6-membered carbocycle or heterocycle;

R is:

- (i) hydrogen;

- (ii) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkynyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl ether, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkoxycarbonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkylsulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, or mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminocarbonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; each of which is substituted with from 0 to 6 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>; or
- (iii) a group of the formula -L-A-X-B, -L-M-X-B, -L-X-A-B or -L-X-M-B, wherein:
- L is C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>alkylene optionally substituted with R<sub>B</sub>;
  - A is a 5- to 8-membered heterocycloalkyl group that is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>;
  - M is phenylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl or (5- to 10-membered heteroaryl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>;
  - X is absent, -C(=O)-, -N(R<sub>X</sub>)C(=O)-, -C(=O)N(R<sub>X</sub>)- or -S(O<sub>2</sub>)-; wherein R<sub>X</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; and
  - B is absent or cyano, such that if B is absent or cyano, then X is absent; or
  - B is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)amino, or 4- to 7-membered heterocycloalkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>; and

Each R<sub>B</sub> is independently chosen from:

- (i) oxo, halogen, hydroxy, cyano, amino, nitro, aminocarbonyl, aminosulfonyl, and -COOH; and
- (ii) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkynyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkylsulfinyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)sulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl and mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; each of which is substituted with from 0 to 6 substituents independently chosen from oxo, halogen, hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy.

27. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 26, wherein R<sub>1</sub> is a halogen.

28. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 26 or claim 27, wherein R<sub>2</sub> is halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy.

29. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to any one of claims 26-28, wherein R is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkynyl, (C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>7</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, or (4- to 8-membered heterocycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 4 substituents independently chosen from:

- (i) oxo and hydroxy; and



- (ii) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, (C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)sulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, and mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; each of which is substituted with 0, 1 or 2 oxo moieties.

30. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 29, wherein R is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkynyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>7</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl ether, or mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 4 substituents independently chosen from oxo, hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy and (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)sulfonyl.

31. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 30, wherein R is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl that is substituted with 1 or 2 substituents independently chosen from halogen, cyano, hydroxy, amino and oxo.

32. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 30, wherein R is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl that is substituted with one hydroxy group or one oxo group.

33. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to any one of claims 26-28, wherein R is a group of the formula -L-A-X-B or -L-X-A-B, wherein:

L is C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>alkylene optionally substituted with oxo or hydroxy;

A is a 4- to 6-membered heterocycloalkyl group;

X is absent, -C(=O)-, -N(R<sub>X</sub>)C(=O)-, -C(=O)N(R<sub>X</sub>)- or -S(O<sub>2</sub>)-; wherein R<sub>X</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; and

B is absent or cyano, such that if B is absent or cyano, then X is absent; or

B is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)amino, or 4- to 7-membered heterocycloalkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from oxo, hydroxy, and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl.

34. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to any one of claims 26-28, wherein R is a group of the formula -L-M-X-B or -L-X-M-B, wherein:

L is C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>alkylene optionally substituted with oxo or hydroxy;

M is phenylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl or (5- to 10-membered heteroaryl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from oxo, hydroxy and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl;

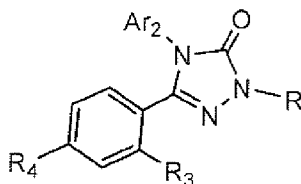
X is absent, -C(=O)-, -N(R<sub>X</sub>)C(=O)-, -C(=O)N(R<sub>X</sub>)- or -S(O<sub>2</sub>)-; wherein R<sub>X</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; and

B is absent or cyano, such that if B is absent or cyano, then X is absent; or

B is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)amino, or 4- to 7-membered heterocycloalkyl, each of which is

substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from oxo, hydroxy, and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl.

35. A compound of the formula:



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or hydrate thereof, wherein:

Ar<sub>2</sub> is phenyl or 6-membered heteroaryl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 4 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>A</sub>;

R is:

(i) hydrogen;

(ii) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkynyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl ether, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkoxycarbonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkylsulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, or mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>alkyl)aminocarbonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; each of which is substituted with from 0 to 6 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>; or

(iii) a group of the formula -L-A-X-B, -L-M-X-B, -L-X-A-B or -L-X-M-B, wherein:

L is C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>alkylene optionally substituted with R<sub>B</sub>;

A is a 5- to 8-membered heterocycloalkyl group that is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>;

M is phenylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl or (5- to 10-membered heteroaryl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>;

X is absent, -C(=O)-, -N(R<sub>X</sub>)C(=O)-, -C(=O)N(R<sub>X</sub>)- or -S(O<sub>2</sub>)-; wherein R<sub>X</sub> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl; and

B is absent or cyano, such that if B is absent or cyano, then X is absent; or

B is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl ether, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)amino, or 4- to 7-membered heterocycloalkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from R<sub>B</sub>;

Each R<sub>A</sub> is independently chosen from:

(i) halogen, hydroxy, cyano, amino, nitro, aminocarbonyl, aminosulfonyl and -COOH; and

(ii) C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkynyl, (C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>cycloalkyl)C<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkylsulfinyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkoxycarbonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkylsulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, mono- or di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl)aminocarbonylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, phenylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, phenylC<sub>0</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy, (4- to 8-

membered heterocycle) $C_0$ - $C_4$ alkyl and (4- to 8-membered heterocycle) $C_0$ - $C_4$ alkoxy; each of which is substituted with from 0 to 6 substituents independently chosen from  $R_B$ ; and

Each  $R_B$  is independently chosen from:

- (i) oxo, halogen, hydroxy, cyano, amino, nitro, aminocarbonyl, aminosulfonyl, and  $-COOH$ ; and
- (ii)  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl,  $C_2$ - $C_6$ alkenyl,  $C_2$ - $C_6$ alkynyl, ( $C_3$ - $C_8$ cycloalkyl) $C_0$ - $C_4$ alkyl,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkylthio,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkylsulfinyl, ( $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl)sulfonyl $C_0$ - $C_4$ alkyl,  $C_2$ - $C_6$ alkyl ether, mono- or di-( $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl)amino $C_0$ - $C_4$ alkyl and mono- or di-( $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl)aminosulfonyl $C_0$ - $C_4$ alkyl; each of which is substituted with from 0 to 6 substituents independently chosen from oxo, halogen, hydroxy,  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl and  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkoxy; and

$R_3$  and  $R_4$  are independently chosen from halogen, hydroxy,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ haloalkyl,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy or  $C_1$ - $C_6$ haloalkoxy.

36. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 35, wherein  $R_3$  and  $R_4$  are each a halogen.

37. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 35 or claim 36, wherein  $R$  is  $C_1$ - $C_8$ alkyl,  $C_2$ - $C_8$ alkenyl,  $C_2$ - $C_8$ alkynyl, ( $C_4$ - $C_{10}$ cycloalkyl) $C_0$ - $C_2$ alkyl,  $C_2$ - $C_8$ haloalkyl,  $C_2$ - $C_8$ alkyl ether, mono- or di-( $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl)amino $C_0$ - $C_4$ alkyl, or (4- to 8-membered heterocycloalkyl) $C_0$ - $C_4$ alkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 4 substituents independently chosen from:

- (i) oxo and hydroxy; and
- (ii)  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl, ( $C_4$ - $C_6$ cycloalkyl) $C_0$ - $C_2$ alkyl,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ haloalkyl,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy,  $C_2$ - $C_6$ alkyl ether, ( $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl)sulfonyl $C_0$ - $C_2$ alkyl, and mono- or di-( $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl)amino $C_0$ - $C_4$ alkyl; each of which is substituted with 0, 1 or 2 oxo moieties.

38. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 37, wherein  $R$  is  $C_1$ - $C_8$ alkyl,  $C_2$ - $C_8$ alkenyl,  $C_2$ - $C_8$ alkynyl, ( $C_3$ - $C_7$ cycloalkyl) $C_0$ - $C_2$ alkyl,  $C_2$ - $C_6$ haloalkyl,  $C_2$ - $C_8$ alkyl ether, or mono- or di-( $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl)amino $C_0$ - $C_4$ alkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 4 substituents independently chosen from oxo, hydroxy,  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl,  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkoxy and ( $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl)sulfonyl.

39. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 38, wherein  $R$  is  $C_1$ - $C_8$ alkyl that is substituted with 1 or 2 substituents independently chosen from halogen, cyano, hydroxy, amino and oxo.

40. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 35 or claim 36, wherein  $R$  is a group of the formula  $-L-A-X-B$  or  $-L-X-A-B$ , wherein:

$L$  is  $C_0$ - $C_3$ alkylene optionally substituted with oxo or hydroxy;

$A$  is a 4- to 6-membered heterocycloalkyl group;

X is absent,  $-C(=O)-$ ,  $-N(R_X)C(=O)-$ ,  $-C(=O)N(R_X)-$  or  $-S(O_2)-$ ; wherein  $R_X$  is hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl; and

B is absent or cyano, such that if B is absent or cyano, then X is absent; or

B is  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl,  $(C_3$ - $C_6$ cycloalkyl) $C_0$ - $C_2$ alkyl,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ haloalkyl,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy,  $C_2$ - $C_6$ alkyl ether, mono- or di- $(C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl)amino, or 4- to 7-membered heterocycloalkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from oxo, hydroxy, and  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl.

41. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 35 or claim 36, wherein R is a group of the formula  $-L-M-X-B$  or  $-L-X-M-B$ , wherein:

L is  $C_0$ - $C_3$ alkylene optionally substituted with oxo or hydroxy;

M is phenyl $C_0$ - $C_2$ alkyl or (5- to 10-membered heteroaryl) $C_0$ - $C_2$ alkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from oxo, hydroxy and  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl;

X is absent,  $-C(=O)-$ ,  $-N(R_X)C(=O)-$ ,  $-C(=O)N(R_X)-$  or  $-S(O_2)-$ ; wherein  $R_X$  is hydrogen or  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl; and

B is absent or cyano, such that if B is absent or cyano, then X is absent; or

B is  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl,  $(C_3$ - $C_6$ cycloalkyl) $C_0$ - $C_2$ alkyl,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ haloalkyl,  $C_1$ - $C_6$ alkoxy,  $C_2$ - $C_6$ alkyl ether, mono- or di- $(C_1$ - $C_6$ alkyl)amino, or 4- to 7-membered heterocycloalkyl, each of which is substituted with from 0 to 3 substituents independently chosen from oxo, hydroxy, and  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl.

42. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to any one of claims 35-41, wherein  $Ar_2$  is substituted phenyl or substituted pyridyl.

43. A compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to claim 42, wherein  $Ar_2$  is substituted at the *para* position with halogen, hydroxy, cyano, amino,  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl,  $C_1$ - $C_4$ haloalkyl,  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkoxy,  $C_1$ - $C_4$ haloalkoxy,  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkoxycarbonyl or phenyl $C_0$ - $C_4$ alkoxy.

44. A pharmaceutical composition, comprising at least one compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to any one of claims 1-43, in combination with a physiologically acceptable carrier or excipient.

45. A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 44, wherein the composition is formulated as an injectible fluid, an aerosol, a cream, a gel, a pill, a capsule, a syrup or a transdermal patch.

46. A pharmaceutical composition, comprising:

(i) a first agent that is a compound or salt according to any one of claims 1-43;

- (ii) a second agent that is suitable for treating an appetite disorder, obesity, an addictive disorder, asthma, liver cirrhosis, sepsis, irritable bowel disease, Crohn's disease, depression, schizophrenia, a memory disorder, a cognitive disorder or a movement disorder; and
- (iii) a physiologically acceptable carrier or excipient.

47. A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 46, wherein the second agent is an anti-obesity agent selected from an MCH receptor antagonist, an apo-B/MTP inhibitor, a  $11\beta$ -hydroxy steroid dehydrogenase-I inhibitor, peptide YY<sub>3-36</sub> or an analog thereof, a MCR-4 agonist, a CCK-A agonist, a monoamine reuptake inhibitor, a sympathomimetic agent, a  $\beta_3$  adrenergic receptor agonist, a dopamine agonist, a melanocyte-stimulating hormone receptor analog, a 5-HT<sub>2c</sub> receptor agonist, leptin or an analog thereof, a leptin receptor agonist, a galanin antagonist, a lipase inhibitor, a bombesin agonist, a neuropeptide-Y receptor antagonist, a thyromimetic agent, dehydroepiandrosterone or analog thereof, a glucocorticoid receptor antagonist, an orexin receptor antagonist, a glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor agonist, a ciliary neurotrophic factor, a human agouti-related protein antagonist, a ghrelin receptor antagonist, a histamine 3 receptor antagonist, or a neuromedin U receptor agonist.

48. A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 46, wherein the anti-obesity agent is phentermine, orlistat or sibutramine.

49. A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 46, wherein the second agent is a nicotine receptor partial agonist, an opioid antagonist or a dopaminergic agent.

50. A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 46, wherein the second agent is suitable for treating an addictive disorder, and wherein the agent is selected from methadone, LAAM, naltrexone, ondansetron, sertraline, fluoxetine, diazepam, chlordiazepoxide, varenicline and bupropion.

51. A packaged pharmaceutical preparation, comprising:

- (a) a pharmaceutical composition according to claim 44 in a container; and
- (b) instructions for using the composition to treat an appetite disorder, obesity, an addictive disorder, asthma, liver cirrhosis, sepsis, irritable bowel disease, Crohn's disease, depression, schizophrenia, a memory disorder, a cognitive disorder, a movement disorder, portal hypertension, fibrosis of internal organs, orthostatic hypotension or drug-induced hypotension.

52. A method for treating a condition responsive to CB1 modulation in a patient, in a patient, comprising administering to the patient a therapeutically effective amount of at least one compound or salt according to any one of claims 1-43.

53. A method according to claim 42, wherein the condition is an appetite disorder, obesity, an addictive disorder, asthma, liver cirrhosis, sepsis, irritable bowel disease, Crohn's disease, depression, schizophrenia, a memory disorder, a cognitive disorder, a movement disorder, portal hypertension, fibrosis of internal organs, orthostatic hypotension or drug-induced hypotension.

54. A method according to claim 52, wherein the condition is an appetite disorder, obesity, an addictive disorder, asthma, liver cirrhosis, sepsis, irritable bowel disease or Crohn's disease.

55. A method according to claim 54, wherein the condition is obesity, bulimia, alcohol dependency or nicotine dependency.

56. A method according to claim 55, wherein the condition is obesity.

57. A method for suppressing appetite in a patient, comprising administering to the patient an appetite reducing amount of at least one compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to any one of claims 1-43, and thereby suppressing appetite in the patient.

58. A compound or salt according to any one of claims 1-43, wherein the compound or salt or hydrate thereof is radiolabeled.

59. A method for determining the presence or absence of CB1 in a sample, comprising the steps of:

- (a) contacting a sample with a compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to any one of claims 1-43, under conditions that permit binding of the compound to CB1; and
- (b) detecting a signal indicative of a level of the compound bound to CB1, and therefrom determining the presence or absence of CB1 in the sample.

60. A method according to claim 59, wherein the compound is radiolabeled, and wherein the step of detection comprises the steps of:

- (i) separating unbound compound from bound compound; and
- (ii) detecting the presence or absence of bound radiolabel in the sample.

61. The use of a compound or salt or hydrate thereof according to any one of claims 1-43 for the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of a condition responsive to CB1 modulation.

62. A use according to claim 61, wherein the condition is an appetite disorder, obesity, an addictive disorder, asthma, liver cirrhosis, sepsis, irritable bowel disease, Crohn's disease, depression, schizophrenia, a memory disorder, a cognitive disorder, a movement disorder, portal hypertension, fibrosis of internal organs, orthostatic hypotension and drug-induced hypotension.