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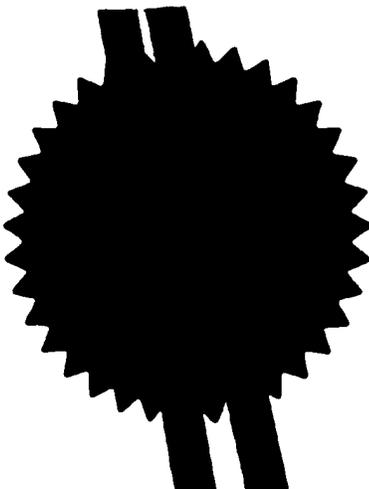
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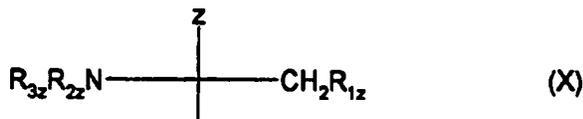
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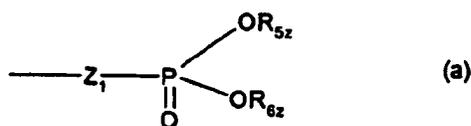
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S1 P receptor modulators are typically sphingosine analogues, such as 2-substituted 2-amino- propane-1,3-diol or 2-amino-propanol derivatives, e. g. a compound comprising a group of formula X

Sphingosine-1 phosphate (hereinafter "S1P") is a natural serum lipid. Presently there are eight known S1P receptors, namely S1P1 to S1P8. S1 P receptor modulators are typically sphingosine analogues, such as 2-substituted 2-amino- propane-1,3-diol or 2-amino-propanol derivatives, e. g. a compound comprising a group of formula X



wherein Z is H, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2-6</sub>alkynyl, phenyl, phenyl substituted by OH, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl substituted by 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of halogen, C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl, phenyl and phenyl substituted by OH, or CH<sub>2</sub>-R<sub>4z</sub> wherein R<sub>4z</sub> is OH, acyloxy or a residue of formula (a)



wherein Z<sub>1</sub> is a direct bond or O, preferably O;

each of R<sub>5z</sub> and R<sub>6z</sub>, independently, is H, or C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl optionally substituted by 1, 2 or 3 halogen atoms;

R<sub>1z</sub> is OH, acyloxy or a residue of formula (a); and each of R<sub>2z</sub> and R<sub>3z</sub> independently, is H, C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl or acyl.

Group of formula X is a functional group attached as a terminal group to a moiety which may be hydrophilic or lipophilic and comprise one or more aliphatic, alicyclic, aromatic and/or heterocyclic residues, to the extent that the resulting molecule wherein at least one

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