

# Imidazotriazinone Compounds

## Patent Highlight

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Title:	Imidazotriazinone Compoun	ds			
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Assignee Company:	EnVivo Pharmaceuticals				
Disease Area:	Neurodegenerative Disease	Biological Target:	PDE9		
Summary:	This application claims a series of imidazotriazinone PDE9 inhibitors. PDE9 is a cGMP-selective phosphodiesterase that is implicated as a potential target in a range of CNS diseases including Alzheimer's Disease and other cognitive disorders.				
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**Definitions:** 

X = bond, carbonyl, or SO<sub>2</sub>,  $R_1 =$  H, alkyl, cycloalkyl, heterocycloalkyl including substituted derivatives,  $R_2 =$  cycloalkyl, heterocycloalkyl, phenyl, heteroaryl including substituted derivatives,  $R_3 =$  alkyl, cycloalkyl, heterocycloalkyl including substituted derivatives.

 $R_3 - X$ 

Notable Substructures:

	H <sub>3</sub> C HN N N N O				
	Band A > 1000-fold selectivity	Band B selectivity not determined	Band C selectivity not determined		
Biological Assay:	PDE assays were conducted using a Caliper LabChip instrument, and enzyme activity was measured spectrophotometrically to detect hydrolysis of a fluorescently labeled cyclic nucleotide. Selectivity against all other PDEs was measured. The patent reports fold selectivity versus PDE1A and PDE1B.				
Biological Data:	PDE inhibition data was provided by banding compounds: band A, IC50 < 1 $\mu$ M; band B, 1–10 $\mu$ M; band C, >10 $\mu$ M.				
Additional Information	PDE9 inhibitors are attracting attention for treatment of CNS disorders that can be influenced by elevation in cGMP levels. A PDE9 inhibitor, PF-04447943, is currently in clinical trials for cognitive disorders. The genus claimed in this application is reminiscent of the core structure of vardenafil, a PDE5 inhibitor related to sildenafil.				

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#### Notes

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