

Title (en)
METHODS AND PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS EMPLOYING DESMETHYLSELEGILINE

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PROCEDES ET COMPOSITIONS PHARMACEUTIQUES UTILISANT DE LA DESMETHYLSELEGILINE

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Abstract (en)
[origin: CA2209892A1] Methods and pharmaceutical compositions for using the selegiline metabolite desmethylselegiline and stereoisomeric forms thereof. In particular, the present invention provides novel compositions and methods for using desmethylselegiline, and/or ent-desmethylselegiline, for selegiline-responsive diseases and conditions. Diseases and conditions responsive to selegiline include those produced by neuronal degeneration or neural trauma and those due to immune system dysfunction. Desmethylselegiline, and/or entdesmethylselegiline, is either administered orally or by a route of administration which does not rely upon gastrointestinal absorption. Desmethylselegiline is the R-(-) enantiomer of N-methyl-N-(prop-2-ynyl)-2-aminophenylpropane and ent-desmethylselegiline is the S(+) enantiomer. Claimed compositions include both the R-(-) and S-(+) isomers as well as mixtures thereof. Pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salts may also be used. Effective dosages are a daily dose of at least about 0.0015 mg/kg of body weight.

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