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(54) **Title**: TREATMENT OR PREVENTION OF CARDIOVASCULAR EVENTS VIA THE ADMINISTRATION OF A COLCHICINE DERIVATIVE

(57) **Abstract**: A method for the treatment or prevention of a cardiovascular event in a subject with atherosclerotic vascular disease comprising the step of: b) administering a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula (I), a known colchicine derivative and/or a salt thereof R wherein: R_1, R_2, R_3, R_4, R_9, R_{10}, R_{11} and R_{12} independently represent hydrogen, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{2-4} alkenyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, halogen, C_{1-4} haloalkyl, nitro, amino, C_{2-4} acylamino, C_{1-4} alkyl or dialkylamino, hydroxyl, C_{1-4}alkoxy, C_{1-4} alkylthio, a group of the formula - $SO_2N(R^x)_2$ or SO_2R^x where R^x is C_{1-4} alkyl,C_{1-4} acyloxy, or optionally substituted phenyl, optionally substituted phenoxy; R_7 and R_8 independently represent hydrogen, C_{1-4} alkyl or C_{1-4} acyl; and R_5', R_5 ", R_6' and R_6" independently represent hydrogen, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{2-4} alkenyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, halogen, C_{1-4} haloalkyl, nitro, amino, C_{2-4} acylamino, hydroxyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy or C_{1-4} alkylthio a group of the formula -$SO_2N(R^x)_2$ or SO_2R^x where R^x is C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} acyloxy, or optionally substituted phenyl.