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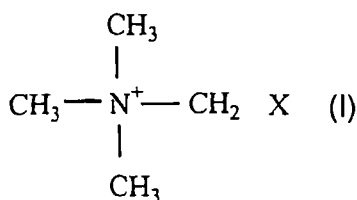
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(54) Title: SKIN MOISTURIZING COMPOSITION

(57) Abstract: A composition useful for moisturizing skin which comprises (a) a moisturizing effective amount of a compound of structure (I) wherein X is selected from the group consisting of: CH₂OH, CH OH CH₂ CO₂⁻, or mixtures thereof wherein when X does not bear a negative charge, the said compound is a salt; and (b) a skin compatible carrier.