CLAIMS:

~~1. A method for the treatment of seborrhoea in a patient which comprises administering to the patient an effective amount of (24RS) or (24S) scymnol, an ester thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of a said ester, or of (24R) scymnol.~~

~~2. The method of claim 1, wherein (24RS) scymnol, an ester thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of a said ester is administered to the patient.~~

~~3. The method of claim 1, wherein racemic (24RS, 25RS) sodium scymnol sulphate is administered to the patient.~~

~~4. The method of any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the administration is by the topical, dermal or transdermal route.~~

~~5.~~1. A composition for use in the treatment of seborrhoea in a patient, which comprises an effective amount of (24RS) ~~or (24S)~~ scymnol, an ester thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of a said ester, ~~or of (24R) scymnol,~~ together with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or diluent.

~~6. The composition of claim 5, which comprises (24RS) scymnol, an ester thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of a said ester.~~

~~7.~~2. The composition of claim ~~5~~1, which comprises racemic (24RS, 25RS) sodium scymnol sulphate.

~~8.~~3. The composition of ~~any one of~~ claims ~~5~~1 ~~to 7~~or claim 2, which is a topical, dermal or transdermal composition.

~~9.~~4. Use of (24RS) ~~or (24S)~~ scymnol, an ester thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable

salt of a said ester, ~~or of (24R) scymnol,~~ in the manufacture of a medicament for use in the treatment of seborrhoea in a patient.

~~10. The use of claim 9, wherein (24RS) scymnol, an ester thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of a said ester is used.~~

~~11.~~5. The use of claim ~~9~~4, wherein racemic (24RS, 25RS) sodium scymnol sulphate is used.

~~12.~~6. The use of ~~any one of~~ claims ~~9~~4 ~~to 11~~or claim 5, wherein the medicament is a topical, dermal or transdermal composition.

~~13.~~7. (24RS) ~~or (24S)~~ scymnol, an ester thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of a said ester, ~~or (24R) scymnol,~~ for use in the treatment of seborrhoea in a patient.

~~14. The use of claim 13, wherein (24RS) scymnol, an ester thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of a said ester is used.~~

~~15.~~8. The ~~use~~(24RS) scymnol, an ester thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of said ester of claim ~~13~~7, wherein racemic (24RS, 25RS) sodium scymnol sulphate is used.

~~16.~~9. The ~~use~~(24RS) scymnol, an ester thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of said ester of ~~any one of~~ claims ~~13~~7 ~~to 16~~or claim 8, wherein the treatment is by the topical, dermal or transdermal route.