R^5 represents a hydrogen atom, an aryl group, a hydroxyl group, a lower alkoxy group or a methylbenzenesulfonate.

9. The use according to claim 1, wherein the cell or tissue is isolated from or within a subject having a disease or condition associated with aging, greying of hair or hair loss, a degenerative joint disease, a degenerative disease of musculature, macular degeneration or a degenerative disease of the skeletal system.

~~10. A composition comprising a compound as claimed in any one of claims 1-9 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.~~