11. The use of N,N-*bis*-2-mercaptoethyl isophthalamide, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, for the manufacture of a medicament for a method of relieving one or more symptom of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease in a patient suffering therefrom.

12. A use as claimed in Claim 11, wherein the symptom is skeletal muscle fatigue and/or cough/sputum production.

13. A use as claimed in any one of Claims 8 to 12, wherein the method of treatment is of patient that is a smoker or is an ex-smoker.

14. A use as claimed in Claim 13, wherein the patient is also receiving therapy which comprises administration of an active ingredient selected from a bronchodilator, an anticholinergic drug, or a corticosteroid.