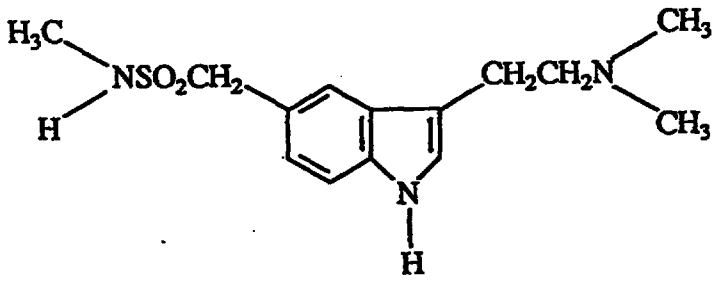
Description

This invention relates to a novel salt of 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide, to pharmaceutical compositions containing it, in particular to compositions adapted for intranasal administration, and to its use in medicine.

3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide, which may be represented by the formula (I)



(I)

and its physiologically acceptable salts and solvates are disclosed in GB-A-2162522. The compound of formula (I) exhibits selective vasoconstrictor activity and is useful in the treatment of migraine. Physiologically acceptable salts of the compound of formula (I) specifically disclosed in GB-A-2162522 are the succinate, hemisuccinate, fumarate, benzoate, methanesulphonate and hydrochloride salts.

We have now surprisingly found that a particular salt of the compound of formula (I), which falls within the scope of the salts described and claimed in GB-A-2162522 but which is not specifically disclosed therein, is advantageous for the preparation of certain pharmaceutical compositions, in particular for intranasal administration.

The present invention therefore provides 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide sulphate salt (2:1), and physiologically acceptable solvates, including hydrates, thereof.

In an alternative aspect the invention provides a pharmaceutical composition comprising 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide sulphate salt (2:1) or a physiologically acceptable solvate thereof as active ingredient together with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier therefor.

There is also provided as a further aspect of the invention 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide sulphate salt (2:1) and physiologically acceptable solvates thereof for use in therapy, in particular in human medicine.

In a further aspect there is provided the use of 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide sulphate salt (2:1) or a physiologically acceptable solvate thereof in the preparation of a medicament for use in the treatment of conditions associated with cephalic pain such as cluster headache, chronic paroxysmal hemicrania, headache associated with vascular disorders, headache associated with substances or their withdrawal (for example drug withdrawal), tension headache and in particular migraine.

We have found that the 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide sulphate salt (2:1) or a physiologically acceptable solvate thereof is surprisingly advantageous when administered intranasally.

Oral compositions may be associated with certain disadvantages in the treatment of conditions associated with cephalic pain. For example, such conditions, particularly migraine, are often accompanied by nausea which makes it difficult for a patient to take an oral composition. It is also highly desirable, particularly in the treatment of acute conditions, that pharmaceutical compositions have high bioavailability and a rapid and consistent onset of action. Rapid absorption can be achieved by parenteral administration but this may be unacceptable to some patients, especially if the drug is to be self-administered. Intranasal administration represents a convenient alternative route for administration.

Accordingly, a further aspect of the invention provides a method for the treatment of a mammal, including man, comprising intranasal administration of an effective amount of 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide sulphate salt (2:1) or a physiologically acceptable solvate thereof in particular in the treatment of conditions associated with cephalic pain and in alleviating the symptoms associated therewith.

It will be appreciated that reference to treatment is intended to include prophylaxis as well as the alleviation of established symptoms.

Thus, in a preferred aspect the pharmaceutical composition according to the invention is provided in a form adapted for intranasal administration.

Intranasal formulations may generally be provided in liquid or in dry powder forms. Satisfactory intranasal formulations must be sufficiently stable, chemically and physically, to be consistently dispensed in accurate metered doses, even after prolonged storage with potential temperature fluctuations of between 0 and 40°C. Accordingly, the active ingredient must be compatible with the excipients used in the formulation and should not aggregate in a manner which would result in a loss of accurate dose delivery, for example by precipitation from a liquid formulation or by caking of a powder formulation. To maximise retention of an intranasal formulation within the nasal passages of a patient after administration, particularly of a liquid formulation, it is desirable to deliver the unit dosage of active ingredient within a relatively small delivery volume, for example 50-200 µl, preferably 100 µl or less. This may necessitate the use of high concentrations of medicament and highly soluble active ingredients are therefore advantageous. Clearly, an active ingredient must also be presented in a form which is readily absorbed through the nasal mucosa but which is unassociated with any adverse effects such as irritancy.

We have found that for intranasal administration the salt according to the invention may advantageously be administered in the form of a solution.

Solutions will generally be aqueous for example prepared from water alone (for example sterile or pyrogen-free water) or water and a physiologically acceptable co-solvent (for example ethanol, propylene glycol, polyethylene glycols such as PEG 400).

Such solutions may additionally contain other excipients such as preservatives (for example benzalkonium chloride and phenylethylalcohol), buffering agents, isotonicity-adjusting agents (for example sodium chloride), viscosity enhancing agents, absorption enhancers, flavouring agents (for example aromatic flavouring agents such as menthol, eucalyptol, camphor and methyl salicylate in amount of about 0.001 to 0.5% w/w) and sweetening agents (for example saccharin in an amount of about 0.01% w/w to about 10% w/w, preferably in the range of 1 to 5% w/w).

Preferably solutions according to the invention will be sterile and free from preservatives. Sterile formulations may be prepared by methods known in the art, for example by aseptic manufacture or sterilisation of bulk products.

Solutions are applied directly to the nasal cavity by conventional means, for example with a dropper, pipette or spray. The formulations may be provided in single or multidose form. In the latter case a means of dose metering is desirably provided. In the case of a dropper or pipette this may be achieved by the patient administering an appropriate, predetermined volume of the solution. In the case of a spray this may be achieved for example by means of a metering atomising spray pump.

Intranasal administration may also be achieved by means of an aerosol formulation in which the compound is provided in a pressurised pack with a suitable propellant such as a chlorofluorocarbon (CFC), for example dichlorodifluoromethane, trichlorofluoromethane or dichlorotetrafluoroethane, a hydrofluorocarbon (HFC) for example 1,1,1,2-tetrafluoroethane or 1,1,1,2,3,3,3-heptafluoropropane carbon dioxide or other suitable gas. The dose of drug may be controlled by provision of a metered valve.

Preferably a pharmaceutical composition containing 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphamide sulphate salt (2:1) adapted for intranasal administration will be in the form of an aqueous solution.

Aqueous solutions of the salt of the present invention adapted for intranasal administration will preferably have a pH in the range 4 to 8. Most preferably the pH of aqueous solutions of the salt according to the invention for intranasal administration will be 5 to 7, such as 5.4 to 5.6. Adjustment of the pH of aqueous solutions of the hemisulphate salt of the compound of formula (I) to within the desired range is conveniently effected by addition of a base, such as an inorganic base, preferably an alkali metal hydroxide, most preferably sodium hydroxide.

Thus in a particularly preferred aspect the present invention provides an aqueous solution of 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide sulphate salt (2:1) adapted for intranasal administration wherein the pH is in the range of 5 to 7.

It will be appreciated that aqueous solutions of the salt of the present invention may be prepared by dissolving the salt in water. Preferably, however, such solutions are prepared by admixture of 1 molar equivalent of 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide and 0.5 to 0.7 molar equivalent of concentrated sulphuric acid, preferably 0.625 molar equivalent of concentrated sulphuric acid, in water.

Aqueous solutions of the salt of the present invention adapted for intranasal administration will preferably contain the salt in a concentration of 20mgml^{-1} to 500mgml^{-1}, most preferably 25mgml^{-1} to 400mgml^{-1}.

It will be appreciated that the precise therapeutic dose of the salt will depend on the age and condition of the patient and the nature of the condition to be treated and will be at the ultimate discretion of the attendant physician.

However, in general effective doses for the treatment of conditions associated with cephalic pain, for example acute treatment of migraine, will lie in the range of 0.5 to 100 mg, preferably 1 to 60mg, most preferably 2 to 40mg of the active ingredient per unit dose which could be administered in single or divided doses, for example, 1 to 4 times per day.

The salt of the present invention may conveniently be presented in unit dose form. A convenient unit dose formulation for intranasal administration contains the active ingredient in an amount of from 0.5mg to 100 mg, preferably in the range of 1 to 60mg, most preferably 2 to 40mg, which may be administered to either one or both nostrils. Most preferably, 2.5mg to 25mg of the active ingredient is administered in a single dose to one nostril.

A preferred unit dose formulation may be provided as a single dose in a sealed unit, for example a vial of glass or plastics material which may be filled and sealed using conventional manufacturing techniques. Alternatively, a sealed vial of plastics material may be produced by form-fill-seal technology. Preferably the vial and the components of the pharmaceutical formulation filled therein are heat stable. The sealed vial may be sterilised, for example by autoclaving at 121 °C for not less than 15 minutes, to provide a sterile unit dosage vial which can be assembled into a convenient delivery device prior to use. Preferably the unit dose volume is 50 to 200 µl, for example 100 µl.

According to one general process (A), the compound of the present invention or a solvate thereof may be prepared by reaction of 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide or a salt or solvate thereof with sulphuric acid. The process is desirably carried out in aqueous media, optionally in the presence of an organic solvent such as alcohol (for example ethanol or isopropanol). Preferably the compound of the present invention or a hydrate thereof is prepared by admixture of the free base and sulphuric acid in water.

According to another general process (B), the compound of the present invention or a solvate thereof may be prepared by reaction of a salt of 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide or a solvate thereof with an appropriate sulphate salt, for example a metal sulphate (such as sodium or silver sulphate) or a sulphated ion exchange resin, preferably in an aqueous medium.

Such processes (A) and (B) form further aspects of the present invention.

In an alternative aspect of the present invention there is provided a pharmaceutical composition in a form adapted for intranasal administration which comprises an aqueous solution of 3-[2-(dimethylamino)-ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide sulphate salt (2:1) or a physiologically acceptable solvate thereof, which solution has a pH in the range of pH 5 to pH 7.

A further alternative aspect of the present invention provides a method for the treatment of a mammal, including man, suffering from or susceptible to cephalic pain, in particular migraine, which comprises intranasal administration of a pharmaceutical composition comprising an aqueous solution of 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide sulphate salt (2:1) or a physiologically acceptable solvate thereof wherein the pH of the solution is in the range of pH 5 to pH 7.

The following examples further illustrate the invention.

Example 1

3-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide sulphate (2:1)

Sulphuric acid solution (2N,169ml) was diluted with water (106ml) and added rapidly dropwise to a stirred solution of 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide (100g) in ethanol (2.3l) and water (25ml) at reflux. The resulting solution was cooled to 45 °C, then seeded, cooled to 4 °C and aged 1h. The reaction mixture was filtered and the filtrate washed with ethanol (50ml) then dried at 40 °C in vacuo to give the title compound (114g) in a solvated form, m.p. 157 °C (decomp.).
Assay shows 6.16%w/w ethanol by G.C.
H.p.l.c. 97.3% corrected, 0.84% w/w water content.

Analysis Found	C,47.75;	H,6.82;	N,11.11;	S,13.00
$C_{28}H_{44}N_6O_8S.0.99C_2H_5OH.0.35H_2O$ requires	C,48.61;	H,6.88;	N,11.35;	S,12.98%.

The following examples illustrate pharmaceutical formulations for intranasal administration according to the invention.

Examples 2 and 3

STERILE FORMULATION

	Example 2	Example 3
Compound of formula (I)	20mg	400mg
Sulphuric Acid (concentrated) BP	4.23mg	84.8mg
Sodium Hydroxide BP	qs to pH 5.4-5.6 qs	to pH 5.4-5.6
Bulk Water for Injections Ph. Eur.	to 1mlto	1ml

The compound of formula (I) is dissolved in the sulphuric acid previously diluted with water. The solution is made up to approximately 90% of volume. The solution pH is adjusted to 5.5 with sodium hydroxide solution and the solution finally made up to volume. The solution pH is remeasured and adjusted if necessary.

The solution may be packaged for intranasal administration, for example by filling into vials, sealing and sterilising the vials by autoclaving at 121 °C for not less than 15 minutes.

Examples 4 and 5

PRESERVED FORMULATION

	Example 4	Example 5
Compound of formula (I)	25mg	400mg
Sulphuric Acid (concentrated) BP	5.3mg	84.8mg
Phenylethyl Alcohol USP	4mg	4mg
Benzalkonium Chloride USNF	0.2mg	0.2mg
Sodium Hydroxide BP	qs to pH5.4-5.6 qs	to pH 5.4-5.6
Purified Water B.P.	to 1ml	to 1ml

The compound of formula (I) was dissolved in the sulphuric acid previously diluted with water. Phenylethyl alcohol and benzalkonium chloride were added and the solution made up to approximately 90% of volume. The solution pH was adjusted to 5.5 with sodium hydroxide solution and the solution finally made up to volume. The solution pH was remeasured and adjusted if necessary.

In a similar manner further preserved formulations were prepared containing 5, 10, 50, 100 and 200mgml^{-1} of the compound of formula (I).

Formulations were administered in unit dose volumes of 100 µl to either one or both nostrils of patients suffering from a moderate or severe migraine attack to deliver a dose of 1, 5, 10, 20 or 40mg of the compound of formula (I).

Examples 6 and 7

STERILE FORMULATION

	Example 6	Example 7
Compound of formula (I), sulphate salt (2:1)	23.2mg	465mg
Sodium Hydroxide BP	qs to pH 5.4-5.6	qs to pH 5.4-5.6
Bulk Water for Injections Ph. Eur.	to 1ml	to 1ml

The compound of formula (I), sulphate (2:1), is dissolved in water and the solution made up to approximately 90% of volume. The solution pH is adjusted to 5.5 with sodium hydroxide solution and the solution finally made up to volume. The solution pH is remeasured and adjusted if necessary.

The solution may be packaged for intranasal administration, for example by filling into vials, sealing and sterilising the vials by autoclaving at 121 °C for not less than 15 minutes.

Examples 8 and 9

PRESERVED FORMULATION

	Example 8	Example 9
Compound of formula (I), sulphate salt (2:1)	23.2mg	465mg
Phenylethyl Alcohol USP	4.0mg	4.0mg
Benzalkonium Chloride	0.2mg	0.2mg
Sodium Hydroxide BP	qs to pH 5.4-5.6	qs to pH 5.4-5.6
Purified Water B.P.	to 1ml	to 1ml

The compound of formula (I), sulphate salt (2:1), is dissolved in water. Phenylethyl alcohol and benzalkonium chloride are added and the solution made up to approximately 90% of volume. The solution pH is adjusted to 5.5 with sodium hydroxide solution and the solution finally made up to volume. The solution pH is remeasured and adjusted if necessary.

Examples 10 to 13

STERILE FORMULATION

	Example 10	Example 11	Example 12
Compound of formula (I)	25mg	50mg	100mg
Sulphuric acid (conc.) BP	5.3mg	10.6mg	21.2mg
Bulk Water for Injections Ph. Eur.	to 1ml	to 1ml	to 1ml

	Example 13
Compound of formula (I)	200mg
Sulphuric acid (conc.) BP	42.3mg
Bulk Water for Injections Ph. Eur.	to 1ml

The compound of formula (I) was dissolved in the sulphuric acid previously diluted with water. The solution was made up to approximately 90% of volume. The solution pH was adjusted to pH 5.4 to 5.6 with sodium hydroxide BP solution and the solution finally made up to volume. The solution pH was remeasured and adjusted if necessary.

The formulations are filled into vials in 100 µl aliquots, the vials are sealed and are sterilised by autoclaving at 121 °C for not less than 15 minutes. The sterile unit dosage vials are assembled into a convenient delivery device prior to use.

The formulations are administered in unit dose volumes of 100 µl to a single nostril of patients suffering from a moderate or severe migraine attack to deliver a dose of 2.5, 5, 10 or 20mg of the compound of formula (I).

Examples 14 and 15

STERILE FORMULATION

	Example 14	Example 15
Compound of formula (I)	200mg	200mg
Sulphuric acid (conc.) BP	42.3mg	42.3mg
Sodium Saccharin BP	10mg	20mg
Bulk water for Injections Ph. Eur.	to 1ml	to 1ml

The compound of formula (I) was dissolved in the sulphuric acid previously diluted with water. The solution was made up to approximately 90% of volume and the saccharin dissolved therein. The solution pH was adjusted to pH 5.4 to 5.6 with sodium hydroxide BP solution and the solution finally made up to volume. The solution pH was remeasured and adjusted if necessary.

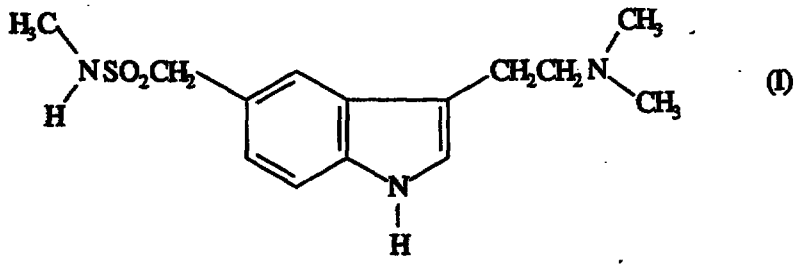
The formulations are filled into vials in 100 µl aliquots, the vials are sealed and are sterilised by autoclaving at 121 • C for not less than 15 minutes. The sterile unit dosage vials are assembled into a convenient delivery device prior to use.

The formulations are administered in unit dose volumes of 100 µl to a single nostril of patients suffering from a moderate or severe migraine attack to deliver a dose of 20mg of the compound of formula (I).

Claims

Claims for the following Contracting States : AT, DE, DK, GB, LU, MC, NL, SE

1. 3-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide, which may be represented by the formula (I)



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sulphate salt (2:1) and physiologically acceptable solvates thereof.

2. A pharmaceutical composition which comprises 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide sulphate salt (2:1) or a physiologically acceptable solvate thereof as active ingredient together with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

3. A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in Claim 2 adapted for intranasal administration.

4. A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in Claim 2 or Claim 3 wherein the salt is in the form of an aqueous solution.

5. A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in Claim 4 wherein the pH is in the range of pH 5 to pH 7.

6. A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in Claim 4 or Claim 5 which contains the salt in a concentration of 20mgml^{-1} to 500mgml^{-1}.

7. A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in any one of Claims 2 to 6 which is formulated in unit dosage form comprising 0.5 to 100mg of active ingredient.

Examples 14 and 15

STERILE FORMULATION

	Example 14	Example 15
Compound of formula (I)	200mg	200mg
Sulphuric acid (conc.) BP	42.3mg	42.3mg
Sodium Saccharin BP	10mg	20mg
Bulk water for Injections Ph. Eur.	to 1ml	to 1ml

The compound of formula (I) was dissolved in the sulphuric acid previously diluted with water. The solution was made up to approximately 90% of volume and the saccharin dissolved therein. The solution pH was adjusted to pH 5.4 to 5.6 with sodium hydroxide BP solution and the solution finally made up to volume. The solution pH was remeasured and adjusted if necessary.

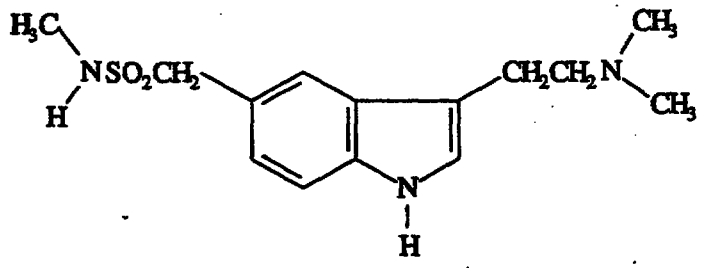
The formulations are filled into vials in 100 µl aliquots, the vials are sealed and are sterilised by autoclaving at 121 °C for not less than 15 minutes. The sterile unit dosage vials are assembled into a convenient delivery device prior to use.

The formulations are administered in unit dose volumes of 100 µl to a single nostril of patients suffering from a moderate or severe migraine attack to deliver a dose of 20mg of the compound of formula (I).

Claims

Claims for the following Contracting States : AT, DE, DK, GB, LU, MC, NL, SE

1. 3-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide, which may be represented by the formula (I)



(I)

sulphate salt (2:1) and physiologically acceptable solvates thereof.

2. A pharmaceutical composition which comprises 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide sulphate salt (2:1) or a physiologically acceptable solvate thereof as active ingredient together with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

3. A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in Claim 2 adapted for intranasal administration.

4. A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in Claim 2 or Claim 3 wherein the salt is in the form of an aqueous solution.

5. A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in Claim 4 wherein the pH is in the range of pH 5 to pH 7.

6. A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in Claim 4 or Claim 5 which contains the salt in a concentration of 20mgml^{-1} to 500mgml^{-1}.

7. A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in any one of Claims 2 to 6 which is formulated in unit dosage form comprising 0.5 to 100mg of active ingredient.

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8. A pharmaceutical composition adapted for intranasal administration which comprises a sterile aqueous solution of 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide sulphate salt (2:1) or a physiologically acceptable solvate thereof in a concentration of 20mgml^{-1} to 500mgml^{-1}, which solution has a pH in the range of pH 5 to pH 7.

9. 3-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamidesulphate salt (2:1) or a physiologically acceptable solvate thereof for use in therapy.

10. Use of 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide sulphate salt (2:1) or a physiologically acceptable solvate thereof in the preparation of a medicament for use in the treatment of conditions associated with cephalic pain, in particular migraine.

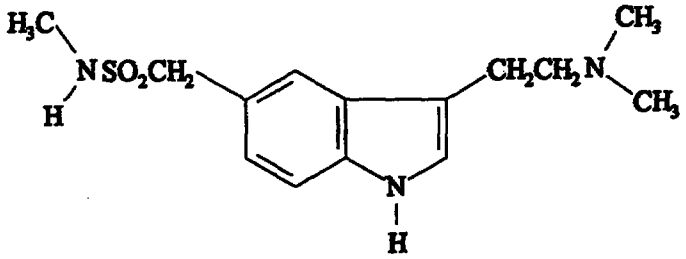
11. A process for the preparation of 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide sulphate salt (2:1) and pharmaceutically acceptable solvates thereof which comprises
    (A) reacting 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide or a salt or solvate thereof with sulphuric acid; or
    (B) reacting a salt of 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide or a solvate thereof with an appropriate sulphate salt.

12. A process for the preparation of a pharmaceutical composition as claimed in any one of Claims 2 to 8 which comprises admixing 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide sulphate salt (2:1) or a pharmaceutically acceptable solvate thereof with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

13. A process for the preparation of a pharmaceutical composition as claimed in any one of Claims 2 to 8 which comprises admixing 1 molar equivalent of 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide and 0.5 to 0.7 molar equivalent of concentrated sulphuric acid in water.

Claims for the following Contracting States : ES, GR

1. A process for the preparation of 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide, which may be represented by the formula (I)



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sulphate salt (2:1) and physiologically acceptable solvates thereof which comprises
    (A) reacting 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide or a salt or solvate thereof with sulphuric acid; or
    (B) reacting a salt of 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide or a solvate thereof with an appropriate sulphate salt.

2. A process for the preparation of pharmaceutical composition which comprises admixing 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide sulphate salt (2:1) or a physiologically acceptable solvate thereof with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

3. A process as claimed in Claim 2 wherein the pharmaceutical composition is adapted for intranasal administration.

4. A process as claimed in Claim 2 or Claim 3 wherein the salt in the pharmaceutical composition is in the form of an aqueous solution.

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5. A process as claimed in Claim 4 wherein the pH of the solution is in the range of pH 5 to pH 7.

6. A process as claimed in Claim 4 or Claim 5 wherein the pharmaceutical composition contains the salt in a concentration of 20mgml^{-1} to 500mgml^{-1}.

7. A process as claimed in any one of Claims 2 to 6 wherein the pharmaceutical composition is formulated in unit dosage form comprising 0.5 to 100mg of active ingredient.

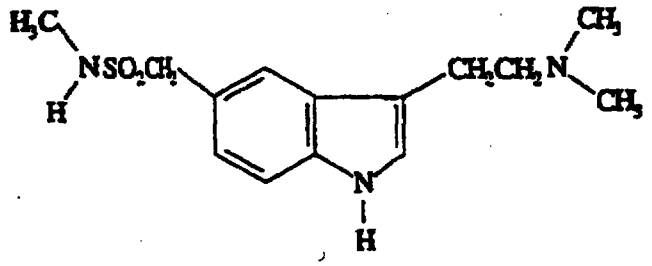
8. A process for the preparation of a pharmaceutical composition adapted for intranasal administration which comprises preparing a sterile aqueous solution of 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamidesulphate salt (2:1) or a physiologically acceptable solvate thereof in a concentration of 20mgml^{-1} to 500mgml^{-1}, which solution has a pH in the range of pH 5 to pH 7.

9. A process for the preparation of a pharmaceutical composition as defined in any one of Claims 2 to 8 which comprises admixing 1 molar equivalent of 3-[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indole-5-methanesulphonamide and 0.5 to 0.7 molar equivalent of concentrated sulphuric acid in water.

Patentansprüche

Patentansprüche für folgende Vertragsstaaten : AT, DE, DK, GB, LU, MC, NL, SE

1. 3-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indol-5-methansulfonamid, das durch die Formel [I]



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Sulfatsalz (2:1) angegeben werden kann, und die physiologisch annehmbaren Solvate davon.

2. Pharmazeutisches Präparat, **dadurch gekennzeichnet,** daß es 3-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indol-5-methansulfonamidsulfatsalz (2:1) oder ein physiologisch annehmbares Solvat davon als Wirkstoff zusammen mit einem pharmazeutisch annehmbaren Träger enthält.

3. Pharmazeutisches Präparat nach Anspruch 2, **dadurch gekennzeichnet,** daß es für die intranasale Verabreichung angepaßt ist.

4. Pharmazeutisches Präparat nach Anspruch 2 oder 3, **dadurch gekennzeichnet,** daß das Salz in der Form einer wäßrigen Lösung vorliegt.

5. Pharmazeutisches Präparat nach Anspruch 4, **dadurch gekennzeichnet,** daß der pH im Bereich von pH 5 bis pH 7 liegt.

6. Pharmazeutisches Präparat nach Anspruch 4 oder 5, **dadurch gekennzeichnet,** daß es das Salz in einer Konzentration von 20 mgml^{-1} bis 500 mgml^{-1} enthält.

7. Pharmazeutisches Präparat nach einem der Ansprüche 2 bis 6, **dadurch gekennzeichnet,** daß es in Einheitsdosisform, die 0,5 bis 100 mg Wirkstoff enthält, formuliert ist.

8. Pharmazeutisches Präparat, das zur internasalen Verabreichung angepaßt ist, **dadurch gekennzeichnet,** daß es eine sterile wäßrige Lösung von 3-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indol-5-methansulfonamidsulfatsalz (2:1) oder eines physiologisch annehmbaren Solvats davon in einer Konzentration von 20 mgml^{-1} bis 500 mgml^{-1} umfaßt, wobei die Lösung einen pH-Wert im Bereich von pH 5 bis pH 7 hat.

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9. 3-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indol-5-methansulfonamidsulfatsalz (2:1) oder ein physiologisch annehmbares Solvat davon zur Verwendung in der Therapie.

10. Verwendung von 3-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indol-5-methansulfonamidsulfatsalz (2:1) oder eines physiologisch annehmbaren Solvats davon zur Herstellung eines Arzneimittels zur Verwendung bei der Behandlung von Zuständen, die mit Kopfschmerzen, insbesondere Migräne, einhergehen.

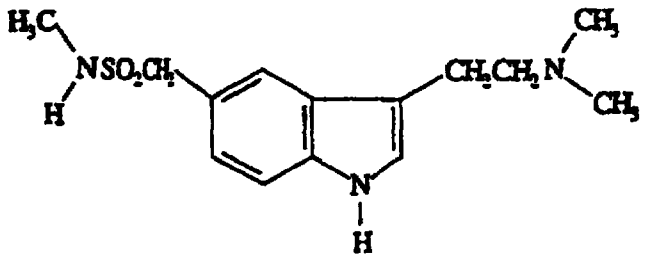
11. Verfahren zur Herstellung von 3-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indol-5-methansulfonamidsulfatsalz (2:1) und pharmazeutisch annehmbaren Solvaten davon, **gekennzeichnet** durch
(A) Umsetzung von 3-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indol-5-methansulfonamid oder eines Salzes oder Solvats davon mit Schwefelsäure; oder
(B) Umsetzung eines Salzes von 3-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indol-5-methansulfonamid oder eines Solvats davon mit einem geeigneten Sulfatsalz.

12. Verfahren zur Herstellung eines pharmazeutischen Präparats nach einem der Ansprüche 2 bis 8, **dadurch gekennzeichnet,** daß man 3-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indol-5-methansulfonamidsulfatsalz (2:1) oder ein pharmazeutisch annehmbares Solvat davon mit einem pharmazeutisch annehmbaren Träger vermischt.

13. Verfahren zur Herstellung eines pharmazeutischen Präparats nach einem der Ansprüche 2 bis 8, **dadurch gekennzeichnet,** daß man ein molares Äquivalent 3-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indol-5-methansulfonamid und 0,5 bis 0,7 molare Äquivalente konzentrierte Schwefelsäure in Wasser vermischt.

Patentansprüche für folgende Vertragsstaaten : ES, GR

1. Verfahren zur Herstellung von 3-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indol-5-methansulfonamid, das durch die Formel (I)



(I)

Sulfatsalz (2:1) angegeben werden kann, und der physiologisch annehmbaren Solvate davon, **gekennzeichnet** durch
(A) Umsetzung von 3-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indol-5-methansulfonamid oder eines Salzes oder Solvats davon mit Schwefelsäure; oder
(B) Umsetzung eines Salzes von 3-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indol-5-methansulfonamid oder eines Solvats davon mit einem geeigneten Sulfatsalz.

2. Verfahren zur Herstellung eines pharmazeutischen Präparats, **dadurch gekennzeichnet,** daß man 3-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indol-5-methansulfonamidsulfatsalz (2:1) oder ein physiologisch annehmbares Solvat davon mit einem pharmazeutisch annehmbaren Träger vermischt.

3. Verfahren nach Anspruch 2, **dadurch gekennzeichnet,** daß das pharmazeutische Präparat zur intranasalen Verabreichung angepaßt ist.

4. Verfahren nach einem der Ansprüche 2 oder 3, **dadurch gekennzeichnet,** daß das Salz in dem pharmazeutischen Präparat in Form einer wäßrigen Lösung vorliegt.

5. Verfahren nach Anspruch 4, **dadurch gekennzeichnet,** daß der pH der Lösung im Bereich von pH 5 bis pH 7 liegt.

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6. Verfahren nach einem der Ansprüche 4 oder 5, **dadurch gekennzeichnet,** daß das pharmazeutische Präparat das Salz in einer Konzentration von 20 $mgml^{-1}$ bis 500 $mgml^{-1}$ enthält.

7. Verfahren nach einem der Ansprüche 2 bis 6, **dadurch gekennzeichnet,** daß das pharmazeutische Präparat in Einheitsdosisform, die 0,5 bis 100 mg Wirkstoff enthält, formuliert wird.

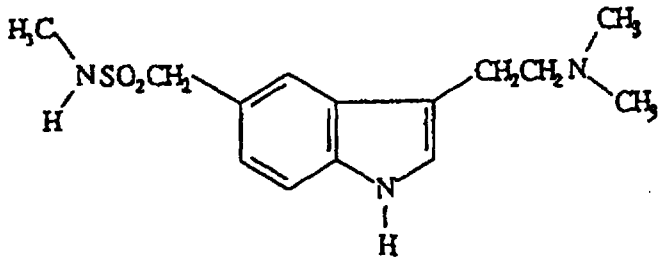
8. Verfahren zur Herstellung eines pharmazeutischen Präparats, das zur intranasalen Verabreichung angepaßt ist, **dadurch gekennzeichnet,** daß man eine sterile wäßrige Lösung von 3-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indol-5-methansulfonamidsulfatsalz (2:1) oder einem physiologisch annehmbaren Solvat davon in einer Konzentration von 20 $mgml^{-1}$ bis 500 $mgml^{-1}$ herstellt, wobei die Lösung einen pH im Bereich von pH 5 bis pH 7 hat.

9. Verfahren zur Herstellung eines pharmazeutischen Präparats nach einem der Ansprüche 2 bis 8, **dadurch gekennzeichnet,** daß man ein molares Äquivalent 3-[2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl]-N-methyl-1H-indol-5-methansulfonamid und 0,5 bis 0,7 molare Äquivalente konzentrierte Schwefelsäure in Wasser vermischt.

Revendications

Revendications pour les Etats contractants suivants : AT, DE, DK, GB, LU, MC, NL, SE

1. Sel de sulfate (2:1) de 3-[2-(diméthylamino)éthyl]-N-méthyl-1H-indole-5-méthanesulfonamide, qui peut être représente par la formule (I)



(I)

et les solvates physiologiquement acceptables de celle-ci.

2. Composition pharmaceutique qui comprend un sel de sulfate (2:1) de 3-[2-diméthylamino)éthyl]-N-méthyl-1H-indole-5-méthanesulfonamide ou un solvate physiologiquement acceptable de celui-ci en tant que principe actif conjointement avec un véhicule pharmaceutiquement acceptable.

3. Composition pharmaceutique selon la revendication 2, adaptée pour une administration intranasale.

4. Composition pharmaceutique selon la revendication 2 ou 3, dans laquelle le sel est sous la forme d'une solution aqueuse.

5. Composition pharmaceutique selon la revendication 4, dans laquelle le pH est dans la gamme de pH5 à pH7.

6. Composition pharmaceutique selon la revendication 4 ou 5, qui contient le sel en une concentration de 20 $mg.ml^{-1}$ à 500 $mg.ml^{-1}$.

7. Composition pharmaceutique selon l'une quelconque des revendications 2 à 6, qui est formulée sous forme de dose unitaire comprenant 0,5 à 100 mg de principe actif.

8. Composition pharmaceutique adaptée pour une administration intranasale qui comprend une solution aqueuse stérile de sel de sulfate (2:1) de 3-[2-(diméthylamino)éthyl]-N-méthyl-1H-indole-5-méthanesulfonamide ou un solvate physiologiquement acceptable de celui-ci à une concentration de 200 $mg.ml^{-1}$ à 500 $mg.ml^{-1}$, ladite solution a un pH dans la gamme de pH5 à pH7.

9. Sel de sulfate (2:1) de 3-[2-(diméthylamino)éthyl]-N-méthyl-1H-indole-5-méthanesulfonamide ou solvate physiologiquement acceptable de celui-ci pour une utilisation en thérapie.

10. Utilisation de sel de sulfate (2:1) de 3-[2-(diméthylamino)éthyl]-N-méthyl-1H-indole-5-méthanesulfonamide ou un solvate physiologiquement acceptable de celui-ci dans la préparation d'un médicament destiné à une utilisation dans le traitement d'état associées avec les douleurs céphaliques, en particulier la migraine.

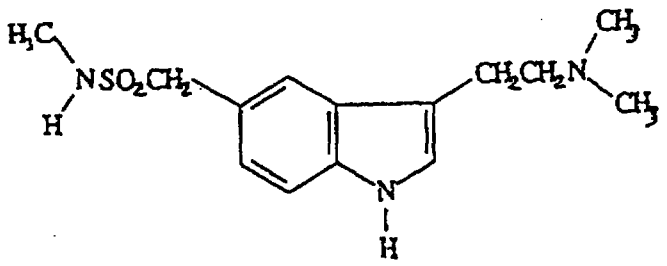
11. Procédé pour la préparation de sel de sulfate (2:1) de 3-[2-(diméthylamino)éthyl]-N-méthyl-1H-indole-5-méthanesulfonamide et les solvates pharmaceutiquement acceptable de celui-ci qui comprend
(A) la réaction du 3-[2-(diméthylamino)éthyl]-N-méthyl-1H-indole-5-méthanesulfonamide ou un sel ou un solvate de celui-ci avec de l'acide sulfurique; ou
(B) la réaction d'un sel de 3-[2-(diméthylamino)éthyl]-N-méthyl-1H-indole-5-méthanesulfonamide ou d'un solvate de celui-ci avec un sel de sulfate approprié.

12. Procédé pour la préparation d'une composition pharmaceutique selon l'une quelconque des revendications 2 à 8, qui comprend le mélange du sel de sulfate (2:1) de 3-[2-(diméthylamino)éthyl]-N-méthyl-1H-indole-5-méthanesulfonamide ou un solvate pharmaceutiquement acceptable de celui-ci avec un véhicule pharmaceutiquement acceptable.

13. Procédé pour la préparation d'une composition pharmaceutique selon l'une quelconque des revendications 2 à 8 qui comprend le mélange d'un équivalent molaire de 3-[2-(diméthylamino)éthyl]-N-méthyl-1H-indole-5-méthanesulfonamide et de 0,5 à 0,7 équivalents molaires d'acide sulfurique concentré dans l'eau.

Revendications pour les Etats contractants suivants : ES, GR

1. Procédé pour la préparation de sel de sulfate (2:1) de 3-[2-(diméthylamino)éthyl]-N-méthyl-1H-indole-5-méthanesulfonamide, qui peut être représenté par la formule (I)



(I)

et des solvates physiologiquement acceptables de celui-ci qui comprend
(A) la réaction du 3-[2-(diméthylanino)éthyl]-N-méthyl-1H-indole-5-méthanesulfonamide ou un sel ou un solvate de celui-ci avec de l'acide sulfurique; ou
(B) la réaction d'un sel de 3-[2-(diméthylamino)éthyl]-N-méthyl-1H-indole-5-méthanesulfonamide ou d'un solvate de celui-ci avec un sel de sulfate approprié.

2. Procédé pour la préparation d'une composition pharmaceutique qui comprend le mélange du sel de sulfate (2:1) de 3-[2-(diméthylamino)éthyl]-N-méthyl-1H-indole-5-méthanesulfonamide ou un solvate pharmaceutiquement acceptable de celui-ci avec un véhicule pharmaceutiquement acceptable.

3. Procédé selon la revendication 2, dans lequel la composition pharmaceutique est adaptée pour une administration intranasale.

4. Procédé selon la revendication 2 ou 3, dans lequel le sel dans la composition pharmaceutique est sous forme d'une solution aqueuse.

5. Procédé selon la revendication 4 dans lequel le pH de la solution est dans la gamme de pH5 à pH7.

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6. Procédé selon la revendication 4 ou 5 dans lequel la composition pharmaceutique contient le sel à une concentration de 20 $mg.ml^{-1}$ à 500 $mg.ml^{-1}$.

7. Procédé selon l'une quelconque des revendications 2 à 6, dans lequel la composition pharmaceutique sous forme de dose unitaire comprenant 0,5 à 100 mg de principe actif.

8. Procédé pour la préparation d'une composition pharmaceutique adaptée pour une administration intranasale qui comprend la préparation d'une solution aqueuse stérile de sel de sulfate (2:1) de 3-[2-(diméthylamino)éthyl]-N-méthyl-1H-indole-5-méthanesulfonamide ou d'un solvate physiologiquement acceptable de celle-ci en une concentration de 20 $mg.ml^{-1}$ à 500 $mg.ml^{-1}$, ladite solution a un pH dans la gamme de pH5 à pH7.

9. Procédé pour la préparation d'une composition pharmaceutique telle que définie dans l'une quelconque des revendications 2 à 8 qui comprend le mélange d'un équivalent molaire de 3-[2-(diméthylamino)-éthyl]-N-méthyl-1H-indole-5-méthanesulfonamide et de 0,5 à 0,7 équivalent molaire d'acide sulfurique concentré dans de l'eau.