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(54) Title: AMINO-TERMINALLY TRUNCATED RANTES AS CHEMOKINE ANTAGONISTS (57) Abstract The present invention relates to amino-terminally truncated RANTES, lacking NH ₂ -terminal amino acids corresponding to amino acid residues 1, 1-2, 1-3 or 1-4 of the naturally-occurring RANTES and having chemokine antagonistic activity, as well as cDNA sequences encoding them, their use in therapy and/or in diagnosis of the diseases, in which an antagonistic activity of the chemokine effects is required, and pharmaceutical compositions comprising them.		