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(57) Abstract: This invention relates to pharmaceutical compositions comprising combinations of a GABA agonist, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of said GABA agonist or said prodrug and a SDI, a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of said SDI or said prodrug, kits containing such combinations and methods of using such combinations to treat mammals, including humans, suffering from diabetic complications such as diabetic neuropathy, diabetic nephropathy, diabetic cardiomyopathy, diabetic retinopathy, diabetic microangiopathy, diabetic macroangiopathy, cataracts or foot ulcers.