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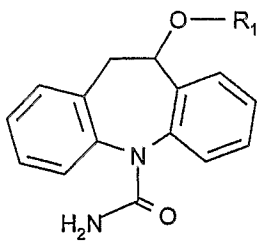
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(54) Title: USE OF 10-HYDROXY-10,11-DIHYDROCARBAMAZEPINE DERIVATIVES FOR THE TREATMENT OF AFFECTIVE DISORDERS



(I)

(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a method for the treatment, including the maintenance treatment, of affective disorders, which comprises administering, especially every 20 to 28 hours, to said subject a therapeutically effective amount, especially an amount between about 500 and about 3000 mg, of a compound of formula (I) wherein R_1 represents hydrogen or C_1-C_3alkyl carbonyl; to the use of a compound of (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof for the manufacture of a pharmaceutical composition for the treatment of affective disorders; to a combination comprising: (a) a compound of formula (I); and (b) at least one compound selected from the group consisting of lithium, divalproex, conventional antipsychotics, atypical antipsychotics, lamotrigine and antidepressants; and to the use of such combination for the treatment of affective disorders.