Abstract of the Disclosure:

External Preparation for Application to the Skin Containing Lidocaine

An external preparation for application to the skin containing lidocaine which comprises a drug-retaining layer placed on a support, wherein said drug-retaining layer comprises an adhesive gel base and 1 to 10 % by weight of lidocaine, said base comprising a water-soluble high molecular weight substance, water and a water-retaining agent, which can release the active lidocaine gradually and constantly so that lidocaine is transdermally absorbed for a long period of time.

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