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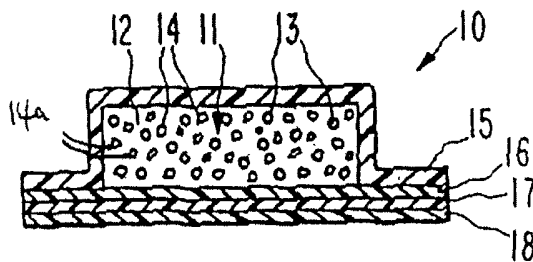
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(54) Title: TRANSDERMAL DOSAGE FORM COMPRISING AN ACTIVE AGENT AND A SALT AND FREE-BASEFORM
OF AN ANTAGONIST



(57) Abstract: This invention relates to a tamper-resistant transdermal dosage form comprising an active agent, such as an opioid, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, a free base of an adverse agent, such as an opioid antagonist, and a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of an adverse agent, such as an opioid antagonist. The transdermal dosage form allows an effective amount of the active agent, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, to be transdermally administered to an animal. The invention further relates to methods for treating or preventing pain in an animal comprising contacting the skin of an animal in need thereof with the transdermal dosage form of the invention for an amount of time sufficient to treat or prevent pain.

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This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

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because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:

Although claim 34 is directed to a method of treatment of the human/animal body, the search has been carried out and based on the alleged effects of the compound/composition.
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see FURTHER INFORMATION sheet PCT/ISA/210
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Continuation of Box I.1

Rule 39.1(iv) PCT - Method for treatment of the human or animal body by therapy

Continuation of Box I.2

In view of the very broad and very unspecific terms such "an active agent" and "an adverse agent" used in claims 1-10 presently on file, which render it difficult, if not impossible, to determine the matter for which protection is sought, the present application fails to comply with the clarity and conciseness requirements of Article 6 PCT (see also Rule 6.1(a) PCT) to such an extent that it cannot be guaranteed that any active and adverse agents have been searched.

Consequently, the search has been carried out for those parts of the application which do appear to be clear (and concise), namely claims 11-35 and the general idea underlying present application.

The applicant's attention is drawn to the fact that claims relating to inventions in respect of which no international search report has been established need not be the subject of an international preliminary examination (Rule 66.1(e) PCT). The applicant is advised that the EPO policy when acting as an International Preliminary Examining Authority is normally not to carry out a preliminary examination on matter which has not been searched. This is the case irrespective of whether or not the claims are amended following receipt of the search report or during any Chapter II procedure. If the application proceeds into the regional phase before the EPO, the applicant is reminded that a search may be carried out during examination before the EPO (see EPO Guideline C-VI, 8.5), should the problems which led to the Article 17(2) declaration be overcome.

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