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(57) Abstract: This disclosure relates to methods and compositions useful for treating Alzheimer's disease. In particular, the disclosure relates to pharmaceutical compositions containing an EGFR-inhibitory compound suitable for administration to treat Alzheimer's disease, as well as to related therapeutic methods. In addition, this disclosure relates to screening methods for identifying compounds useful for treating Alzheimer's disease based on the ability to inhibit the activity of EGFR.



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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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