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(54) Title: COMBINATION TREATMENTS FOR PURINOCEPTOR-RELATED DISORDERS

(57) Abstract: The present invention provides methods of preventing and treating purinoceptor-related disorders comprising concurrently administering an A1 adenosine receptor antagonist or a P2x purinoceptor antagonist with an at least one additional active agent effective to treat purinoceptor-related disorders. The present invention also provides pharmaceutical formulations suitable for preventing and treating purinoceptor-related disorders.

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

| Box I Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 1 of first sheet) |
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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: |
| 1. X Claims Nos.: because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely: |
| Although claims 1-7, 9-25, 27-38, 40, 41 are 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. |
| 2. X Claims Nos.: 1-7, 9-25, 27-38, 40, 41 (all in part) because they relate to parts of the International Application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful International Search can be carried out, specifically: |
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| 3. Claims Nos.: because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a). |
| Box II Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet) |
| This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows: |
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| As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers all searchable claims. |
| 2. As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee. |
| 3. As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.: |
| 4. X No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this International Search Report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.: 1-7,9-25,27-38,40,41 (in part) |
| Remark on Protest The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest. No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees. |

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Claims Nos.: 1-7, 9-25, 27-38, 40, 41 (all in part)

Present independent claims 1, 37-39 relate to a compounds defined by reference to a desirable characteristic or property, namely "an A1 adenosine receptor antagonist" and "a P2x purinoceptor antagonist" (component (a)) and the "at least one additional active agent effective to treat said purinoceptor related disorder (component (b)).

Moreover, a "purinoceptor related disorder" is not considered a clear definition of the therapeutical application.

For the above reasons, the search has been carried out for those parts of the claims which appear to be clear, supported and disclosed (Articles 5,6 PCT), namely the use of PPADS and an an A1 adenosine receptor antagonist according to generic formula (I) in combination for the treatment of diseases as listed in claims 2-7.

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.

This International Searching Authority found multiple (groups of) inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. claims: 1-7,9-25,27-38,40,41 (in part)

A method of treating a purinoceptor-related disorder in a subject in need thereof, comprising concurrently administering (a) an Al adenosine receptor antagonist or a P2x purinoceptor antagonist with (b) at least one additional active agent effective to treat said purinoceptor-related disorder, said purinoceptor-related disorder being inflammatory disorder, congestive heart failure, systemic hypertension, pulmonary hypertension, ischemia-reperfusion organ injury, endotoxin-related tissue injury, anaphylactic schock, allergic rhinitis, asthma, cystic fibrosis, allergic conditions, chronic obstructive pulmonary disorder, chronic cough, coronary artery disease, ARDS, ALI, septicemia.

2. claims: 1,3,10-19,21,28-36 (in part)

A method of treating a purinoceptor-related disorder in a subject in need thereof, comprising concurrently administering (a) an Al adenosine receptor antagonist or a P2x purinoceptor antagonist with (b) at least one additional active agent effective to treat said purinoceptor-related disorder, said purinoceptor-related disorder being Alzheimer's disease or Parkinson's disease.

3. claims: 1,3,10-19,21,28-36 (in part)

A method of treating a purinoceptor-related disorder in a subject in need thereof, comprising concurrently administering (a) an Al adenosine receptor antagonist or a P2x purinoceptor antagonist with (b) at least one additional active agent effective to treat said purinoceptor-related disorder, said purinoceptor-related disorder being depression.

4. claims: 1,3,10-19,21,28-36 (in part)

A method of treating a purinoceptor-related disorder in a subject in need thereof, comprising concurrently administering (a) an A1 adenosine receptor antagonist or a P2x purinoceptor antagonist with (b) at least one additional active agent effective to treat said purinoceptor-related disorder, said purinoceptor-related disorder being obesity or diabetes.

5. claims: 1,3,10-19,21,28-36 (in part)

A method of treating a purinoceptor-related disorder in a subject in need thereof, comprising concurrently administering (a) an A1 adenosine receptor antagonist or a P2x purinoceptor antagonist with (b) at least one additional active agent effective to treat said purinoceptor-related disorder, said purinoceptor-related disorder being biliary colic.

6. claims: 1,3,10-19,21,28-36 (in part)

A method of treating a purinoceptor-related disorder in a subject in need thereof, comprising concurrently administering (a) an A1 adenosine receptor antagonist or a P2x purinoceptor antagonist with (b) at least one additional active agent effective to treat said purinoceptor-related disorder, said purinoceptor-related disorder being fibrosis or sclerosis.

7. claims: 1,3,10-19,21,28-36 (in part)

A method of treating a purinoceptor-related disorder in a subject in need thereof, comprising concurrently administering (a) an A1 adenosine receptor antagonist or a P2x purinoceptor antagonist with (b) at least one additional active agent effective to treat said purinoceptor-related disorder, said purinoceptor-related disorder being renal failure.

8. claims: 1,3,10-19,21,28-36 (in part)

A method of treating a purinoceptor-related disorder in a subject in need thereof, comprising concurrently administering (a) an A1 adenosine receptor antagonist or a P2x purinoceptor antagonist with (b) at least one additional active agent effective to treat said purinoceptor-related disorder, said purinoceptor-related disorder being SARS.

9. claims: 1,3,10-19,21,28-36 (in part)

A method of treating a purinoceptor-related disorder in a subject in need thereof, comprising concurrently administering (a) an A1 adenosine receptor antagonist or a P2x purinoceptor antagonist with (b) at least one additional active agent effective to treat said purinoceptor-related disorder, said purinoceptor-related disorder being substance abuse or drug dependance.

10. claims: 1,3,8,10-19,21,26,28-36,39-41 (in part)

A method of treating a purinoceptor-related disorder in a subject in need thereof, comprising concurrently administering (a) an Al adenosine receptor antagonist or a P2x purinoceptor antagonist with (b) at least one additional active agent effective to treat said purinoceptor-related disorder, said purinoceptor-related disorder being an autoimmune disorder.

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