Title: AMIDE COMPOUNDS AND ION CHANNEL LIGANDS AND USES THEREOF

Abstract: Compounds are disclosed that have a formula represented by the following: The compounds may be prepared as pharmaceutical compositions, and may be used for the prevention and treatment of a variety of conditions in mammals including humans, including by way of non-limiting example, pain, inflammation, traumatic injury, and others.
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1. □ Claims Nos.:
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In these claims, the numerous variables and their voluminous, complex meanings and their seemingly endless permutations, makes it virtually impossible to determine the full scope and complete meaning of the claimed subject matter. The compounds defined in the claims lack a significant structural element qualifying as the special technical feature that defines a contribution over the prior art. The substituents on the structure vary extensively and when taken as a whole result in vastly different compounds. Further, the variable core created by A, B, X, Y, W and Z do not belong to a recognized class of chemical compounds in the art. As presented, the claimed subject matter cannot be regarded as being a clear and concise description for which protection is sought and such the listed claims do not comply with the requirements of PCT Article 6. Thus, it is impossible to carry out a meaningful search on same. A search will be made on the first discernable invention, i.e., example 1.