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LIQUID COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING LAMIVUDINE

(57) Abstract
The present invention relates to novel pharmaceutical formulations containing (2R, cis)-4-amino-1-(2-hydroxymethyl-1,3-oxathiolan-5-yl)-(1H)-pyrimidin-2-one ((--)-2',3'-dideoxyc3'-thiacytidine, Epivir®, lamivudine) and their use in medical therapy.


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