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(57) Abstract: The invention relates to the use of chemical fragrance ingredient to lower the melting point of active agents, thereby changing crystalline active agents into an amorphous state. The invention also relates to methods of enhancing the transdermal or transmucosal skin permeation or skin penetration of pharmacologically active agents to patients in need thereof. The compositions of the present invention present the additional benefits of being substantially alcohol-free and having a pleasant olfactory profile.



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