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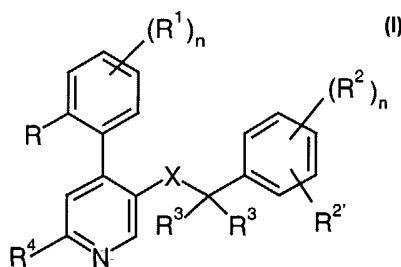
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(57) Abstract: The invention relates to the use of an NK-1 receptor antagonist, optionally in combination with a magnesium salt, for the treatment and/or prevention of brain, spinal or nerve injury, wherein said NK-1 receptor antagonist is a compound of the general formula (I) wherein the meanings of R, R¹, R², R², R³, R⁴ are explained in the specification and the pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salts and the prodrugs thereof either alone or in combination with a magnesium salt. Exemplified is the use of N-(3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-benzyl)-N-methyl-6-(4-methyl-piperazin-1-yl)-4-o-tolyl-nicotinamide. The invention also relates to pharmaceutical composition comprising one or more such NK-1 receptor antagonists, optionally in combination with a magnesium salt, and a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient for the treatment and/or prevention of brain, spinal or nerve injury.

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