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(57) Abstract: Disclosed are methods and formulations for the treatment of topical conditions on mammalian tissues such as skin and mucous tissues mediated at least in part by viral, bacterial or fungal infections in the mammal. The methods of this invention involve the in situ formation of a polymeric film over the diseased tissue.



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Method for treating skin or mucous membrane lesions in a mammal wherein the formation of said lesions is mediated at least in part by one or more bacterial, viral and/or fungal agents which method comprises

a) identifying such lesion(s); and

b) forming a polymeric film over said lesion(s) which inhibits proliferation of said infectious agents in said lesion(s).

wherein the polymeric film is formed by applying to the lesion a sufficient amount of a polymerizable, biocompatible prepolymer under conditions wherein a polymeric film is formed in situ over said lesion(s).

2. Claims: 1 (partially), 13, 14, 15-27 (partially)

Method for treating skin or mucous membrane lesions in a mammal wherein the formation of said lesions is mediated at least in part by one or more bacterial, viral and/or fungal agents which method comprises

a) identifying such lesion(s); and

b) forming a polymeric film over said lesion(s) which inhibits proliferation of said infectious agents in said lesion(s),

wherein the polymeric film is formed by applying to the lesion a sufficient amount of a biocompatible polymeric composition comprising a biocompatible solvent and a biocompatible polymer dissolved therein under conditions wherein a polymeric film is formed in situ over said lesion(s) upon dissipation of the solvent.

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