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ELECTROTHERAPY METHOD AND

APPARATUS

AMENDMENT UNDER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 16, 1995, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Please add the following new claims:

25. /3A method for applying electrotherapy to a patient through electrodes connected to an energy source, the method comprising the following steps:

discharging the energy source across the electrodes to deliver electrical energy to the patient in a waveform

having a first phase and a second phase; 1 203 030 TL 07/20/95 08103837

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monitoring a patient-dependent electrical parameter during the discharging step;

adjusting a discharge parameter based on a value of the monitored electrical parameter.

36. The method of claim 38 wherein the adjusting step comprises discharging the energy source across the electrodes until the end of a predetermined time period and until the monitored electrical parameter reaches a predetermined value.

37. The method of claim 35 wherein the adjusting step comprises discharging the energy source across the electrodes until the end of a predetermined time period or until the monitored electrical parameter reaches a predetermined value, whichever occurs first.

The method of claim 25 wherein the electrical parameter is energy source voltage.

The method of claim 35 wherein the electrical parameter is energy source current.

The method of claim 35 wherein the second phase has a duration which is a function of first phase duration.

41. The method of claim 35 wherein the second phase has a duration which is a function of a value of the electrical parameter during the first phase.

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42. The method of claim 35 wherein the second phase has a fixed duration.

43. The method of claim 35 wherein the adjusting step comprises adjusting waveform tilt. --

REMARKS

This amendment and election of species responds to the Office Action dated June 16, 1995. Claims 1-43 are pending after entry of the Amendment.

The Examiner has required Applicants to elect a single species out of a list of seven for prosecution on the merits. In addition, the Examiner has identified six claims as being generic to all species. The Examiner also stated that Applicants may select one species for describing the first phase discharge combined with a second species for describing the second phase discharge.

Applicants hereby elect the Examiner's second invention ("the species defined by Figure 3") to describe the first phase combined with the Examiner's seventh invention ("discharging in a second polarity as a function of a first discharge duration") to describe the second phase. Claims 1-5, 8-12, 23-32, 35, 36, 38, 42 and 43 read on this combination. Of these, claims 11, 12, 23, and 30-32 are generic to all species.

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in connection with the filing of this document to our Deposit Account No. 03-1952. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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