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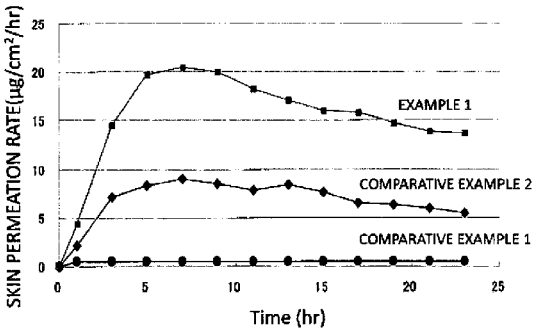
(57) **ABSTRACT**

A method for producing a patch comprising a support layer and an adhesive agent layer comprises:

a mixture preparation step of mixing asenapine or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof with sodium acetate whose particle diameter D_{50} at a cumulative volume of 50% in a particle diameter distribution is 40 to 1000 μm, in such a manner that the sodium acetate and sodium diacetate generated from the sodium acetate have a particle diameter D_{50} of 10 μm or smaller, thereby obtaining a mixture containing the sodium diacetate and the asenapine or pharmaceutically acceptable salt; and

an adhesive-agent-layer formation step of forming the adhesive agent layer comprising the sodium diacetate, the asenapine or pharmaceutically acceptable salt, and a pressure-sensitive adhesive base agent, by using an adhesive agent layer composition obtained by mixing the mixture with the pressure-sensitive adhesive base agent.

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