OPIOID FORMULATIONS HAVING REDUCED POTENTIAL FOR ABUSE

The invention provides opioid formulations having reduced potential for abuse, and having reduced potential for illegal sale and distribution. The opioid formulations of the invention comprise at least one opioid and a sustained release delivery system.
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