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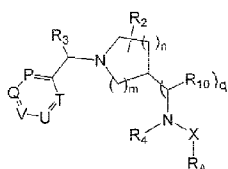
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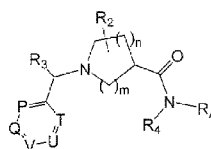
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(54) Title: AMINOPIPERIDINES AND RELATED COMPOUNDS



(I)



(II)

(57) Abstract: Aminopiperidines and related compounds of the formulas are provided: in which variables are described herein. Such compounds may be used to modulate MCH receptor activity *in vivo* or *in vitro*, and are particularly useful in the treatment of a variety of metabolic, feeding and sexual disorders in humans, domesticated companion animals and livestock animals. Pharmaceutical compositions and methods for treating such disorders are provided, as are methods for using such ligands for detecting MCH receptors (*e.g.*, receptor localization studies).

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	U.S. 5,028,616 (Desai et al) 2 July 1991 (02.07.1991), see entire document.	13

Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C.

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- 3. Claims Nos.:
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Continuation of Box II Reason 2:

In these claims, the numerous variables (e.g. R1-R15, T, U, X, Z, m, n, q etc), their voluminous complex meanings, their seemingly endless permutations and combinations make it virtually impossible to determine the full scope and complete meaning of the claimed subject matter. As presented, the claimed subject matter cannot be regarded as being a clear and concise description for which protection is sought and as such the listed claims do not comply with the requirements of PCT article 6. Thus it is impossible to carry out a meaningful search on the same. A search will be made on the first discernable invention in the claims, which is the first compound disclosed claim 13.