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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to methods, compositions, and kits for treating or preventing symptoms of hormonal variation. The method comprises the steps of administering an effective amount of a receptor antagonist to a subject having one or more symptoms of hormonal variations. The receptor antagonist binds to at least one receptor selected from a serotonin type 2A (5-HT.sub.2A) and/or a dopamine type 2 (D.sub.2) receptors.



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PCT/US2011/026650**Box No. II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)**

This international search report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

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because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
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