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(54) **Title**: ISONICOTINAMIDE OREXIN RECEPTOR ANTAGONISTS

(57) **Abstract**: The present invention is directed to isonicotinamide compounds which are antagonists of orexin receptors, and which are useful in the treatment or prevention of neurological and psychiatric disorders and diseases in which orexin receptors are involved. The invention is also directed to pharmaceutical compositions comprising these compounds and the use of these compounds and compositions in the prevention or treatment of such diseases in which orexin receptors are involved.