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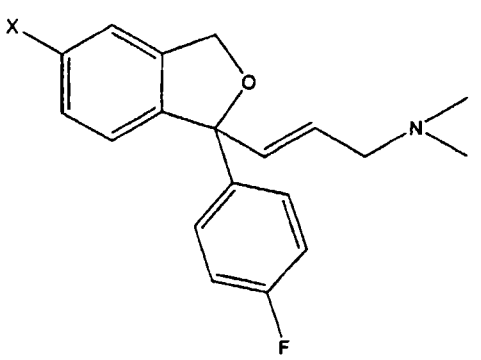
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(III)

(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a method for the preparation of citalopram comprising reduction of a compound of formula (III), wherein X is a cyano group or a group which can be converted to a cyano group, and if X is not a cyano group followed by conversion of X to a cyano group.

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