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(57) Abstract: The invention relates to methods and compositions for treating a psychotic disorder or condition, associated with cognitive impairment. The pharmaceutical composition comprises: (a) an amount of an antipsychotic agent and (b) an amount of a PDE4 inhibitor compound, wherein the amounts of (a) and (b) are together effective in treating the cognitive impairment or psychotic disorder such as schizophrenia. The method of treatment comprises administering to a patient (a) an amount of a antipsychotic agent and (b) an amount of a PDE4 inhibitor compound, wherein the amounts of (a) and (b) are together effective in treating the psychotic disorder such as schizophrenia.

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