

**In The Specification:**

Please add the following paragraph at the beginning of page 1:

---CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 11/011,704, filed December 14, 2004; which is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/462,272 filed June 16, 2003, now U.S. Patent 6,887,860; which in turn is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/078,204 filed February 18, 2002, now U.S. Patent 6,627,622; and further claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/341,138 filed December 13, 2001.---

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 21, with the following rewritten paragraph:

---Figure 6 is a bar graph illustrating blood serum calcium levels in female rats after treatment with chronic doses of  $1,25(\text{OH})_2\text{D}_3$  and  $1,25(\text{OH})_2$  19-nor- $\text{D}_3$  as compared to 2-MbisP (Fig. 6A), 2-Mpregna (Fig. 6B), and 2-MP (Fig. 6C).---