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(54) Title: PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION COMPRISING A LIPASE INHIBITOR AND A SUCROSE FATTY ACID ESTER

(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a pharmaceutical composition comprising a lipase inhibitor, preferably orlistat, having a melting point ≥37°C, a sucrose fatty acid ester wherein the sucrose fatty acid ester is a mono-, di-, tri- or tetra-ester, and optionally one or more pharmaceutically acceptable excipients.