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(54) Title: RAPIDLY RELEASING AND TASTE-MASKING PHARMACEUTICAL DOSAGE FORM (57) Abstract The present invention provides a rapidly releasing and taste-masking pharmaceutical dosage form comprising a core containing a pharmaceutically active ingredient, low-substituted hydroxypropyl cellulose and microcrystalline cellulose, the amount of the microcrystalline cellulose being at least 26.0 weight percent based on the total weight of the core; an inner coating layer formed on the core and containing a water-soluble polymer; and an outer coating layer formed on the inner coating layer and containing a saliva-insoluble polymer. A process for preparing such oral dosage form is also disclosed.		