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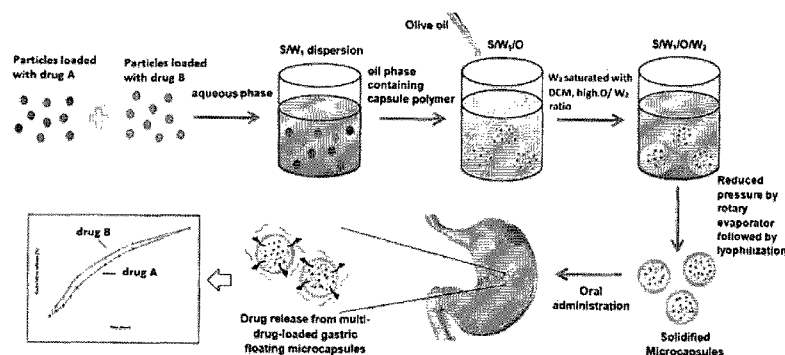
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(57) Abstract: The invention relates to capsules encapsulating particles loaded with one or more drugs, and in particular, to such capsules that are able to float. The capsules may be used for drug delivery in the gastrointestinal tract. Methods for forming the capsules are also disclosed, and in particular, double emulsion methods are used in forming the capsules.