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(54) Title: ORAL FAST-MELT DOSAGE FORM OF A CYCLOOXYGENASE-2 INHIBITOR

(57) Abstract: A process is provided for preparing an oral fast-melt composition of a selective cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitory drug comprising (a) a step of wet granulating the selective cycloorxygenase-2 inhibitory drug together with a binding agent selected from grums, polypetpides, natural and modified starches, cellulosic materials, alginic acid and salts thereof, polyethylene glycol, polyvinylpyrrolidone, polymethacrylates, silicate salts and bentonites, and (b) a step of blending with the drug a saccharide of low moldability, wherein the above steps (a) and (b) occur in any order or simultaneously to result in formation of granules. Optionally the process further comprises (c) a step of blending the granules with at least one of a lubricant, a sweetening agent and a flavoring agent to form a tableting blend, and (d) a step of compressing the tableting blend to form oral fast-melt tablets. Also provided is a composition prepared by such a process.