(12) INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION PUBLISHED UNDER THE PATENT COOPERATION TREATY (PCT)

(19) World Intellectual Property Organization
International Bureau

(43) International Publication Date
6 January 2005 (06.01.2005)

PCT

(10) International Publication Number
WO 2005/000276 A1

(51) International Patent Classification[7]: A61K 9/20, 31/405

(21) International Application Number: PCT/EP2004/006865

(22) International Filing Date: 24 June 2004 (24.06.2004)

(25) Filing Language: English

(26) Publication Language: English

(30) Priority Data:
2003-181349 25 June 2003 (25.06.2003) JP

(71) Applicant *(for all designated States except AT, US)*: **NOVARTIS AG** [CH/CH]; Lichtstrasse 35, CH-4056 Basel (CH).

(71) Applicant *(for AT only)*: **NOVARTIS PHARMA GMBH** [AT/AT]; Brunner Strasse 59, A-1230 Vienna (AT).

(72) Inventors; and

(75) Inventors/Applicants *(for US only)*: **UEHARA, Tomoyuki** [JP/JP]; 1-9-20-508, Shiroyamacho, Toyonaka-shi, Osaka (JP). **TAGUCHI, Kenji** [JP/JP]; 1-2-10-1214, Wakamatsudai, Sakai-shi, Osaka (JP). **KITAOKA, Kenichi** [JP/JP]; 5-20-18-206, Tondacho, Takatsuki-shi, Osaka (JP).

(74) Agent: **GRUBB, Philip**; Novartis AG, Corporate Intellectual Property, CH-4002 Basel (CH).

(81) Designated States *(unless otherwise indicated, for every kind of national protection available)*: AE, AG, AL, AM, AT, AU, AZ, BA, BB, BG, BR, BW, BY, BZ, CA, CH, CN, CO, CR, CU, CZ, DE, DK, DM, DZ, EC, EE, EG, ES, FI, GB, GD, GE, GH, GM, HR, HU, ID, IL, IN, IS, JP, KE, KG, KP, KR, KZ, LC, LK, LR, LS, LT, LU, LV, MA, MD, MG, MK, MN, MW, MX, MZ, NA, NI, NO, NZ, OM, PG, PH, PL, PT, RO, RU, SC, SD, SE, SG, SK, SL, SY, TJ, TM, TN, TR, TT, TZ, UA, UG, US, UZ, VC, VN, YU, ZA, ZM, ZW.

(84) Designated States *(unless otherwise indicated, for every kind of regional protection available)*: ARIPO (BW, GH, GM, KE, LS, MW, MZ, NA, SD, SL, SZ, TZ, UG, ZM, ZW), Eurasian (AM, AZ, BY, KG, KZ, MD, RU, TJ, TM), European (AT, BE, BG, CH, CY, CZ, DE, DK, EE, ES, FI, FR, GB, GR, HU, IE, IT, LU, MC, NL, PL, PT, RO, SE, SI, SK, TR), OAPI (BF, BJ, CF, CG, CI, CM, GA, GN, GQ, GW, ML, MR, NE, SN, TD, TG).

Published:
— *with international search report*

For two-letter codes and other abbreviations, refer to the "Guidance Notes on Codes and Abbreviations" appearing at the beginning of each regular issue of the PCT Gazette.

(54) Title: TABLET COMPRISING FLUVASTATIN AND CARMELLOSE CALCIUM

(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a fluvastatin-containing tablet, particularly a fluvastatincontaining tablet which has excellent disintegrating property and good bioavailability. The fluvastatin-containing tablet is characterized in comprising carmellose calcium as a disintergrating agent.

WO 2005/000276 A1