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#### AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 CFR §1.312(a)

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Notice of Allowance mailed January 13, 2010.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.



## **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

#### **Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1. (Original): A solid mixture comprising 40-O-(2-hydroxy)ethyl-rapamycin and 2,6-di-tertbutyi-4-methylphenol (BHT).

Claim 2. (Original): A mixture according to claim 1, wherein said 2,6-di-tert-butyl-4methylphenol (BHT) is present in a catalytic amount.

Claim 3. (New): A pharmaceutical composition comprising the solid mixture of claim 1.



# Remarks/Arguments

Applicants wish to thank the Office and Examiner Kifle for the Notice of Allowance mailed January 13, 2010. Applicants provide the instant amendment after allowance in order to add a new dependent pharmaceutical composition claim (new claim 3). This claim finds support in the originally filed application at page 4. Therefore, no new matter has been added by way of this amendment.

New claim 3 should have been filed along with the original (and allowed) claims 1-2. However, due to Applicants oversight, only claims 1-2 were presented. Applicants apologize for the inconvenience to the Office.

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