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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.312

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Dear Sir:

Under the provision of 37 CFR 1.312, please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 4, 9, and 10.

In line 1 of claims 11 to 15, after the word "claim", delete the number "10", and insert in its place in each instance the number -- 19 --.

In line 1 of claims 11, 12, and 13, after the word "which", delete the term " R_1 ", and insert in its place in each instance the term -- R^1 --.

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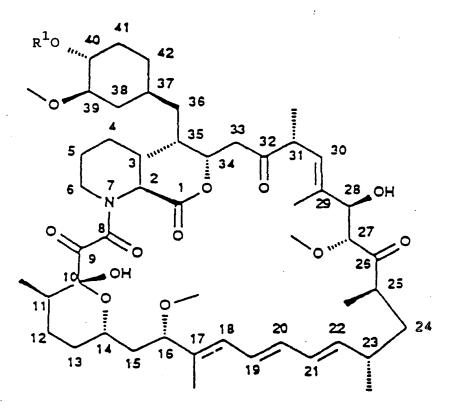
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1,290.00CH 30.00CU Claim 16, line 2; claim 17, line 4; and claim 18, line 3, after the word "claim", delete the number "10", and insert in its place in each instance the number -- 19 --.

Please add the following new claims 19 and 20.

19. A compound of the formula

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wherein R^1 is hydroxy(C_{1-6})alkyl or hydroxy(C_{1-3})alkoxy(C_{1-3})alkyl.

20. The compound according to claim 19 which is 40-0-(3-hydroxyethyl)-rapamycin.

REMARKS

Claims 9 to 18 have been allowed and claims 11 to 20 are now in the application. No additional fee is required.

The instant application was allowed on December 16, 1996; and the issue fee is being submitted concurrently with this amendment.

It is respectfully requested that the above amendments of the claims be entered. The entering of these amendments will not require a new search nor will it require substantial additional work on the part of the Patent and Trademark Office. This Amendment is believed to be proper under the provisions of Rule 312, because it corrects minors errors in the structures and definitions of the claims. Claim 10 has been replaced with new claim 19 to remove the space in the double bond between carbons 17 and 18 in claim 10 and conform the bond to that of the generic compound of formula I on page 2 of the application. Substituent R¹ has been amended in claims 11 to 13 and in new claim 19 to properly identify it. The definition of substituent R¹ has also been amended to limit the alkylene groups of the hydroxyalkoxyalkyl moiety to the preferred C_{1-3} alkylene set out on page 3, line 10 of the application. Applicant have added new claim 20 to the application to replace claim 4, which may have been inadvertently deleted from the application instead of claim 9, which was canceled by the Amendment of October 15, 1996.



The proposed amendment do not broaden the scope of the claims or introduce new matter. They were not presented earlier because it was only during a review of the allowed application that it was noted that the amendments were needed. It is therefore respectfully requested that the proposed amendment be entered under the provisions of 35 CFR 1.312.

Respectfully submitted,

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