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Application No: 09 741 264.7
Demande n°:

The examination is being carried out on the **following application documents**

Description, Pages

1-24 as published

Claims, Numbers

1-16 filed in electronic form on 15-01-2013

- 1 Present claims 9 and 10 offend against Article 53(c) EPC as being directed to treatment of the human or animal body. They should be reformulated into Swiss-type claims.
- 2 The present set of claims appears to fulfil the requirements of Article 123(2) EPC.
- 3 All claims 1-8 fail to recite the correct Article 54(5) EPC language; i.e. "...preparation for use in controlling...". The dependent claims 2-8 should recite "...preparation for use according to...".
- 4 The letter "n" appears to be missing in the word "and" in line 2 of claim 1.
- 5 Having regard to the inventive step in the sense of Article 56 EPC, it appears that synergy has been established insofar as the intestinal flukes *Plathelminthes* are concerned. However, synergy does not appear to be derivable from the application insofar as flatworms and threadworms are concerned. The applicant is requested to overcome these objections through amendments and/or suitable explanations.
- 6 Finally, third party observations in the sense of Article 115 EPC have been filed. It appears that the document "Exhibit 1" discloses a composition comprising coconut and onion for oral administration for treating parasitic worms. Thus, it appears that the present subject matter lacks novelty over this reference, (Article 54(2) EPC). The remaining Exhibits 2 to 8 do not appear to be more relevant than the documents already on file.
- 7 The applicant is requested to file amendments and suitable explanations overcoming the presently raised objections.