



## **Mylan Confirms First-to-File Patent Challenge Relating to Lescol(R)**

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 22 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Mylan Inc. (NYSE: MYL) today confirmed that the company and its subsidiary, Mylan Pharmaceuticals Inc., have been sued by Novartis in connection with Fluvastatin Capsules USP, 20 mg (base) and 40 mg (base), the generic version of Novartis' Lescol® Capsules.

Mylan believes it is the first company to file a substantially complete Abbreviated New Drug Application (ANDA) containing a Paragraph IV certification for the product. The company filed an ANDA with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in June. Novartis filed a lawsuit Oct. 10 in the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey alleging infringement of U.S. Patent No. 5,354,772.

Fluvastatin Capsules, used in the treatment of high cholesterol, had approximately \$60 million in sales for the twelve months ending June 30, 2008, according to IMS Health.

Currently, Mylan has 108 ANDAs pending FDA approval, 22 of which are potential first-to-file opportunities.

Mylan Inc., which provides products to customers in more than 140 countries and territories, ranks among the leading diversified generic and specialty pharmaceutical companies in the world. The company maintains one of the industry's broadest -- and highest quality -- product portfolios, supported by a robust product pipeline; owns a controlling interest in the world's second largest active pharmaceutical ingredient manufacturer; and operates a specialty business focused on respiratory and allergy therapies. For more information, please visit <http://www.mylan.com>.

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