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## United States PTO Rejects Teva's '808 Patent Reissue Application on Copaxone(R) for the Second Time

NATCO Pharma today announced that the United States Patent and Trademark Office (the "PTO") issued a final office action rejecting Teva's application seeking a reissue of U.S. Patent No. 5,800,808 (the "'808 Patent"), which was found to be invalid by the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit in July 2013. The final rejection issued today finds the first claim of the reissue application, which is identical to the only claim in the '808 Patent, to be indefinite and both claims of the reissue application to be unpatentable based on obvious-type double patenting. In its ruling, the PTO refused to extend patent protection on Copaxone(R) past the patents that will expire in May 2014.

NATCO is pleased that the PTO has rejected the reissue application, confirming the indefiniteness for the second time and consistent with the Federal Circuit's decision, and that the PTO continues to find all claims to be unpatentable.

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