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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 or 15d-16 OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Report on Form 6-K dated January 31, 2008

(Commission File No. 1-15024)

Novartis AG

(Name of Registrant)

Lichtstrasse 35

4056 Basel

Switzerland

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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Yes: **No:**

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Novartis files its Form 20-F annual report with the US Securities and Exchange Commission

Basel, January 31, 2008 Novartis has filed its annual report on Form 20-F with the US Securities and Exchange Commission and has posted this document on its website at www.novartis.com. A copy of the Group's traditional annual report is also available on this website. Novartis shareholders may receive a hard copy of either of these documents, each of which contain complete audited financial statements, free of charge, upon request.

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Novartis AG

Date: January 31, 2008

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