NOVARTIS AG Form 6-K July 16, 2002

> 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 July 16, 2002

Novartis AG (Name of Registrant)

> Lichtstrasse 35 4056 Basel Switzerland

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes \_ No X

Enclosure: Reminder - Invitation for Telephone Conference, First Half 2002 Sales & Results.

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## REMINDER

- INVITATION FOR TELEPHONE CONFERENCE -

First Half 2002 Sales & Results

Dear Investor

We are pleased to invite you to our First Half Sales & Results 2002 conference call. Please below the following dial-in numbers:

Date:	Monday, July 22, 2002	
Time:	Advisable: dial-in 10 minutes before	
	06.00 p.m.	Switzerland
	05.00 p.m.	UK
	12.00 p.m.	New York
	Advisable: dial	-in 10 minutes before
Phone numbers:	+41 91 610 4111	or toll-free +800 2467 8700 Europe and ROW
	+1 800 860 2442	US

You may access the conference call as a live audio webcast on the Internet on July 22: http://www.novartis.com/investors (under upcoming event). This information is now available for tests and for the submission of questions in advance.

Additional financial information will be available on Monday, July 22, on the Internet http://www.novartis.com/investors

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Date:	Monday, July 22, 2002		
Time:	07.00 p.m. Switzerland		
	06.00 p.m. UK		
	01.00 p.m. New York		
Phone numbers:	+41 91 612 43 30 Europe and ROW		
	+1 877 344 7529 US		

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## SIGNATURES

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: July 16, 2002

By: /s/ Malcolm B. Cheetham Name: Malcolm B. Cheetham Title: Head Group Financer

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