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(54) **NEMESIA PLANT NAMED ‘INUPCREAM’**

(50) Latin Name: *Nemesia* hybrid  
Varietal Denomination: **Inupcream**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A new and distinct cultivar of *Nemesia* plant named  
‘Inupcream’, characterized by its upright plant habit; freely  
branching habit; dense and bushy appearance; early flow-  
ering habit; numerous large light yellow and white-colored  
flowers; and long flowering period.

**1 Drawing Sheet**

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Botanical designation: *Nemesia* hybrid.  
Cultivar denomination: ‘Inupcream’.

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

The present invention relates to a new and distinct cultivar  
of *Nemesia* plant, botanically known as *Nemesia* hybrid and  
referred to by the name ‘Inupcream’.

The new *Nemesia* is a product of a planned breeding  
program conducted by the Inventors in Gensingen, Ger-  
many. The objective of the program is to create new strong  
*Nemesia* cultivars with numerous flowers and unique flower  
colors.

The new *Nemesia* originated from a cross-pollination  
made by the Inventors of an unnamed *Nemesia fruticans*  
selection, not patented, as the female, or seed, parent with an  
unnamed *Nemesia strumosa* selection, not patented during  
the summer of 2001. The cultivar Inupcream was discovered  
and selected by the Inventors as a single flowering plant  
within the progeny of the stated cross-pollination in a  
controlled environment in Gensingen, Germany during the  
summer of 2002.

Asexual reproduction of the new *Nemesia* by terminal  
cuttings in a controlled environment in Gensingen, Germany  
since June, 2002, has shown that the unique features of this  
new *Nemesia* are stable and are reproduced true to type in  
successive generations.

**SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

The new *Nemesia* has not been observed under all pos-  
sible environmental conditions. The phenotype may vary  
somewhat with variations in environment such as  
temperature, daylength and light intensity, without,  
however, any variance in genotype.

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The following characteristics have been repeatedly  
observed and are determined to be basic characteristics of  
‘Inupcream’ and distinguish ‘Inupcream’ as a new and  
distinct cultivar:

1. Upright plant habit.
2. Freely branching habit; dense and bushy appearance.
3. Early flowering habit.
4. Numerous large light yellow and white-colored flow-  
ers.
5. Long flowering period.

Plants of the new *Nemesia* differ primarily from plants of  
the female parent selection in the following characteristics:

1. Plants of the new *Nemesia* have larger flowers than  
plants of the female parent selection.
2. Plants of the new *Nemesia* and the female parent  
selection differ in flower color as plants of the female  
parent selection have white to soft pink-colored flow-  
ers.

Plants of the new *Nemesia* differ primarily from plants of  
the male parent selection in the following characteristics:

1. Plants of the new *Nemesia* are more vigorous than  
plants of the male parent selection.
2. Plants of the new *Nemesia* flower for a longer period of  
time than plants of the male parent selection.

Plants of the new *Nemesia* can be compared to plants of  
the cultivar Inuppink, disclosed in U.S. Plant patent appli-  
cation Ser. No. 11/174,963. In side-by-side comparisons  
conducted in Gensingen, Germany, plants of the new *Nem-  
esia* differed primarily from plants of the cultivar Inuppink  
in flower color as plants of the cultivar Inuppink had red  
purple-colored flowers.

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PHOTOGRAPHS**

The accompanying colored photographs illustrate the  
overall appearance of the new *Nemesia*, showing the colors



as true as it is reasonably possible to obtain in colored reproductions of this type. Colors in the photographs may differ slightly from the color values cited in the detailed botanical description which accurately describe the colors of the new *Nemesia*.

The photograph at the top of the sheet comprises a side perspective view of a typical plant of 'Inupcream' grown in a container.

The photograph at the bottom of the sheet comprises a close-up view of typical flowers of 'Inupcream'.

#### DETAILED BOTANICAL DESCRIPTION

The aforementioned photographs and following observations and averaged measurements describe plants grown in Bonsall, Calif., in an outdoor nursery during the summer with day temperatures ranging from 18° C. to 35° C. and night temperatures ranging from 7° C. to 18° C. After rooting, plants were grown for ten weeks in 15-cm containers with one plant per container. Color references are made to The Royal Horticultural Society Colour Chart, 1995 Edition, except where general terms of ordinary dictionary significance are used.

Botanical classification: *Nemesia* hybrid cultivar Inupcream.  
Parentage:

*Female parent*.—Unnamed *Nemesia fruticans* selection, not patented.

*Male parent*.—Unnamed *Nemesia strumosa* selection, not patented.

Propagation:

*Type*.—By vegetative cuttings.

*Time to initiate roots*.—About 10 to 14 days at 20° C.

*Time to develop roots*.—About two to three weeks at 20° C.

*Root description*.—Fine; white in color.

*Rooting habit*.—Freely branching.

Plant description:

*General appearance*.—Upright; columnar. Freely branching, typically about twelve primary lateral branches; numerous secondary and tertiary lateral branches. Moderately vigorous growth habit.

*Plant height*.—About 23 cm.

*Plant diameter or spread*.—About 27 cm.

*Lateral branches*.—Appearance: Square in cross-section with longitudinal ridges. Length: About 26 cm. Diameter: About 3 mm. Internode length: About 1.4 cm. Strength: Strong. Texture: Smooth, glabrous. Color: 146C.

*Foliage description*.—Arrangement: Opposite, simple. Shape: Elliptic. Apex: Acute. Base: Attenuate. Length: About 3.2 cm. Width: About 1.2 cm. Margin: Serrate. Texture, upper and lower surfaces: Smooth, glabrous. Venation pattern: Pinnate, arcuate. Petiole length: About 4 mm. Petiole diameter: About 3 mm. Petiole texture, upper and lower surfaces: Smooth, glabrous. Color: Developing and fully expanded leaves, upper surface: 146A. Developing and fully expanded leaves, lower surface: 146B. Venation, upper and lower surfaces: 146B. Petiole, upper and lower surfaces: 144A.

Flowering description:

*Arrangement/appearance*.—Zygomorphic solitary flowers arranged on terminal racemes; flowering

acropetally towards apex. Flowers bilabiate with nectar spur. Flowers face upright and outward. Flowers last about five days on the plant. Flowers not persistent.

*Natural flowering season*.—Long flowering period; natural flowering season is spring to fall; flowering continuous during this period.

*Quantity of flowers*.—Freely flowering with about 26 flowers and flower buds per inflorescence.

*Fragrance*.—None detected.

*Inflorescence length*.—About 12 cm.

*Inflorescence diameter*.—About 2.4 cm.

*Flower diameter*.—About 1.6 cm by 1.5 cm.

*Flower depth, including nectar spur*.—About 1.2 cm.

*Flower buds*.—Shape: Ovoid with spur. Length including spur: About 9 mm. Diameter: About 6 mm. Color: 182C.

*Petals*.—Arrangement/shape: Five petals in a single whorl. Four upper petals are fused at base to form an upright lobed and arched banner lip; lower petal modified into a larger lip with nectar spur and central protuberance which serves as pollinator nectar guide and landing platform. Apex: Rounded. Margin: Entire. Length: Upper lip petals: About 5 mm. Lower lip petal: About 6 mm. Width: Upper lip petals: About 4 mm. Lower lip petal: About 1.5 cm. Texture, upper and lower surfaces: Smooth, velvety. Color: When opening, upper surface: 155A. When opening, lower surface: 70D. Fully opened, upper surface: 8D; towards the margins, 155D; stripes at base, 71A. Fully opened, lower surface: 8D; stripes, 71A. Nectar guide: 14A to 14B. Nectar spur: 155A tinted with 70D.

*Sepals*.—Quantity: Five-parted, star-shaped calyx. Shape: Elliptic. Apex: Acute. Base: Fused. Margin: Entire. Length: About 4 mm. Diameter: About 2 mm. Texture, upper and lower surfaces: Pubescent. Color, upper and lower surfaces: 146A.

*Peduncle*.—Length: About 3.5 cm. Diameter: About 2 mm. Strength: Moderately strong. Angle: Upright. Color: 146A.

*Pedice*.—Length: About 1 cm. Diameter: Less than 1 mm. Strength: Moderately strong. Angle: About 45° from the stem. Color: 146B.

*Androecium*.—Stamen number: Four per flower. Anther shape: Oval. Anther length: Less than 1 mm. Anther color: 11A. Amount of pollen: Scarce. Pollen color: 11A.

*Gynoecium*.—Pistil number: One per flower. Pistil length: About 2 mm. Style length: About 1 mm. Style color: 145C. Stigma shape: Rounded. Stigma color: 145C. Ovary color: 145A.

*Seed/fruit*.—Seed and fruit production has not been observed on plants of the new *Nemesia*.

Disease/pest resistance: Plants of the new *Nemesia* have not been observed to be resistant to pathogens or pests common to *Nemesia*.

Temperature tolerance: Plants of the new *Nemesia* have been observed to be tolerant to temperatures ranging from 2° C. to 35° C.

It is claimed:

1. A new and distinct cultivar of *Nemesia* plant named 'Inupcream', as illustrated and described.

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