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[54] **INSTANT COFFEE COMPOSITIONS  
EXHIBITING A CRYSTALLINE SHEEN**

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[57] **ABSTRACT**

Novel instant coffee compositions characterized by an appearance that presents at least one external planar surface exhibiting high sheen, and novel processes for obtaining these instant coffee compositions comprising polishing, and preferably structuring, thin dense instant coffee flakes by exposing the instant coffee flakes to a jet of moistening fluid comprised of steam or finely atomized water.

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