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Emerging Patent Law Issues in Artificial Intelligence

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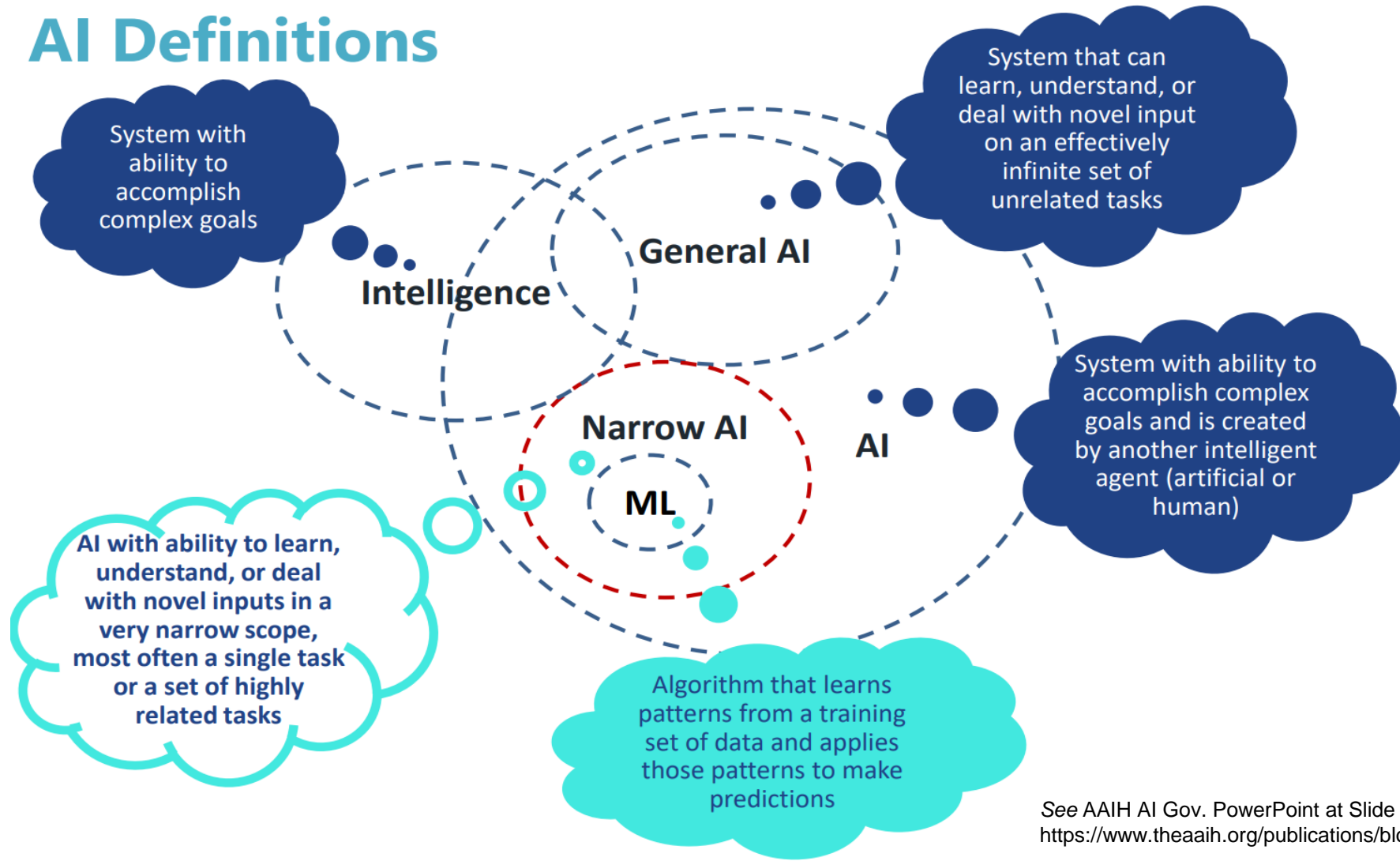
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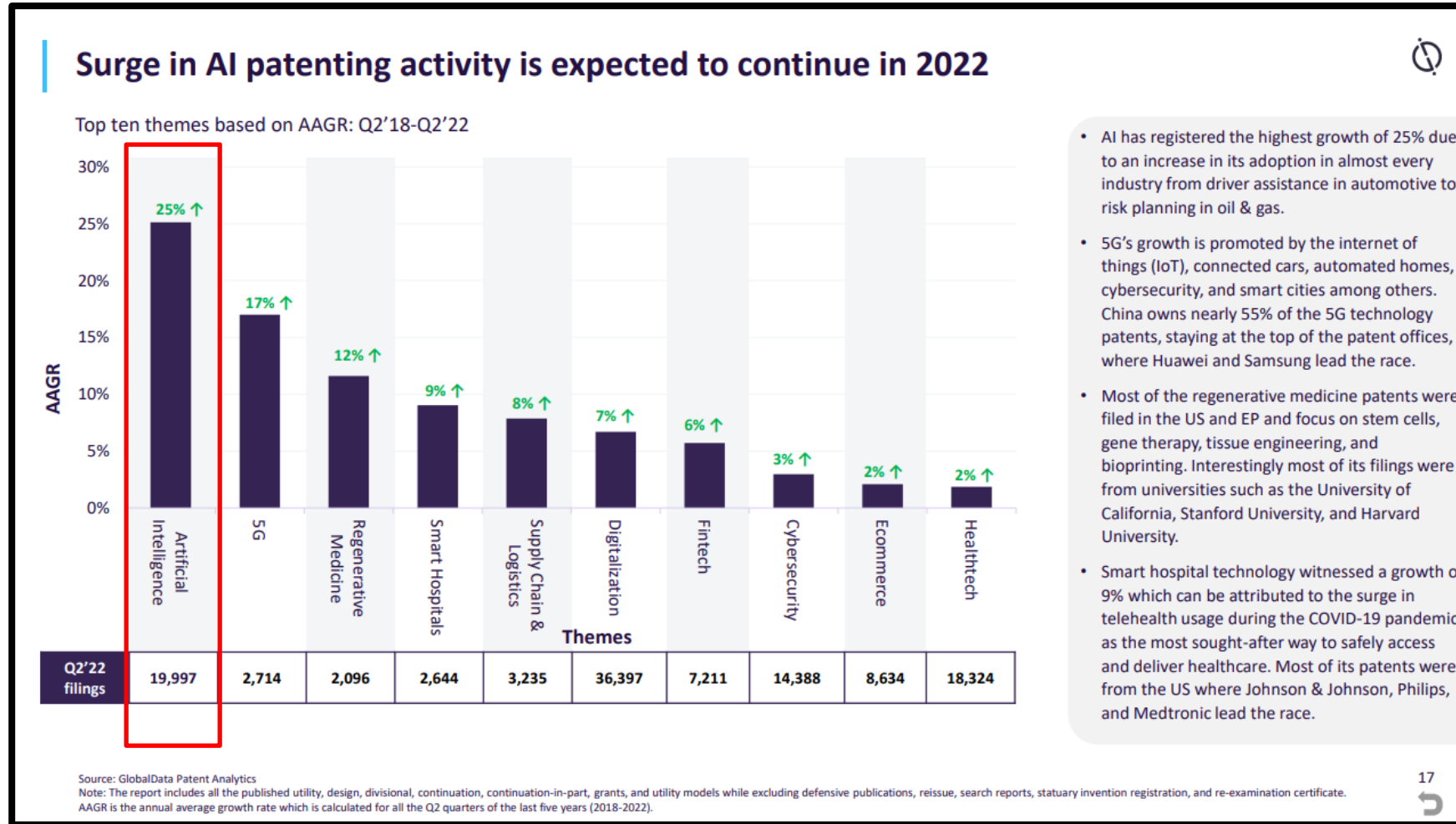
WHAT IS AI?

AI Definitions



See AAIIH AI Gov. PowerPoint at Slide 5, available at <https://www.theaaih.org/publications/blog-post-title-two-xx527-fhceb>

Proliferation of “AI” Patenting



- AI has registered the highest growth of 25% due to an increase in its adoption in almost every industry from driver assistance in automotive to risk planning in oil & gas.
- 5G's growth is promoted by the internet of things (IoT), connected cars, automated homes, cybersecurity, and smart cities among others. China owns nearly 55% of the 5G technology patents, staying at the top of the patent offices, where Huawei and Samsung lead the race.
- Most of the regenerative medicine patents were filed in the US and EP and focus on stem cells, gene therapy, tissue engineering, and bioprinting. Interestingly most of its filings were from universities such as the University of California, Stanford University, and Harvard University.
- Smart hospital technology witnessed a growth of 9% which can be attributed to the surge in telehealth usage during the COVID-19 pandemic as the most sought-after way to safely access and deliver healthcare. Most of its patents were from the US where Johnson & Johnson, Philips, and Medtronic lead the race.

See GlobalData, Patent Statistics and Analysis Q2 2022 (July 2022), available at https://www.law360.com/articles/1518325?utm_source=ios&utm_medium=ios&utm_campaign=ios-shared

Emerging AI/ML + Patent Issues to Consider



Inventorship

- Federal Circuit confirmed that “inventor” is limited to natural persons
- While inventorship for narrow AI seems settled for now, may need to revisit for general AI
- Prosecution logistics (e.g., declarations and oaths, duty of candor)
- Litigation logistics (e.g., inventor depositions)

Thaler v. Vidal Rejects Judicial Expansion of “Inventor”



United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

STEPHEN THALER,
Plaintiff-Appellant

v.

KATHERINE K. VIDAL, UNDER SECRETARY OF
COMMERCE FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY
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Defendants-Appellees

2021-2347

Appeal from the United States District Court for the
Eastern District of Virginia in No. 1:20-cv-00903-LMB-
TCB, Judge Leonie M. Brinkema.

Decided: August 5, 2022

This case presents the question of who, or what, can be an inventor. Specifically, we are asked to decide if an artificial intelligence (AI) software system can be listed as the inventor on a patent application. At first, it might seem that resolving this issue would involve an abstract inquiry into the nature of invention or the rights, if any, of AI systems. In fact, however, we do not need to ponder these metaphysical matters. Instead, our task begins – and ends – with consideration of the applicable definition in the relevant statute.

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When a statute unambiguously and directly answers the question before us, our analysis does not stray beyond the plain text. Here, Congress has determined that only a natural person can be an inventor, so AI cannot be. Accordingly, the decision of the district court is affirmed.

See *Thaler v. Vidal*, 43 F. 4th 1207, 1209, 1213 (Fed. Cir. 2022)

Thaler v. Vidal Leaves Open Implications of AI “Assistance”



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Thaler argues that inventions generated by AI should be patentable in order to encourage innovation and public disclosure. Thaler’s policy arguments are speculative and lack a basis in the text of the Patent Act and in the record. In any event, the text before us is unambiguous, and we may not “elevate vague invocations of statutory purpose over the words Congress chose.” *Sw. Airlines Co. v. Saxon*, 142 S. Ct. 1783, 1792-93 (2022). Moreover, we are not confronted today with the question of whether inventions made by human beings with the assistance of AI are eligible for patent protection.

See *Thaler v. Vidal*, 43 F. 4th 1207, 1213 (Fed. Cir. 2022)

DABUS Inventorship Disputes Around the World

- Inventorship *denied*
 - **Australia** → Statutes interpreted to limit inventors to natural persons
 - Appellate court in April 2022 reversed lower decision that held AI system could be named as inventor
 - **United States** → Statutes interpreted to limit inventors to natural persons
 - **United Kingdom** → Statutes interpreted to limit inventors to natural persons
 - **EPO** → Statutes interpreted to limit inventors to natural persons
- Inventorship *middle ground*
 - **Germany** → AI system may be referenced in inventor designation
 - “Stephen L. Thaler, PhD who prompted the artificial intelligence DABUS to create the invention”
- Inventorship *allowed*
 - **South Africa** → Examination generally permits naming any entity to start process

Emerging AI/ML and Patent Issues to Consider

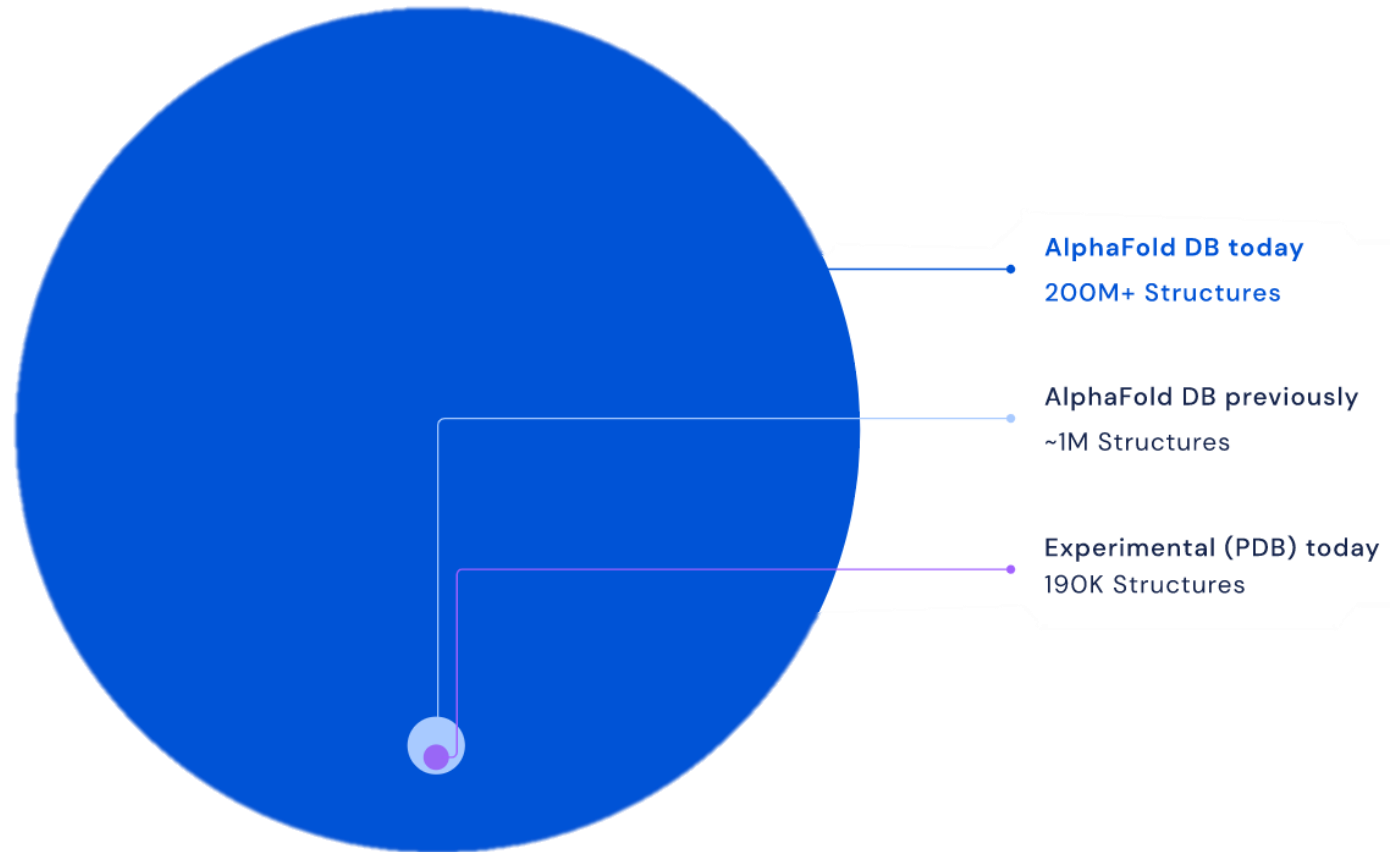
§ 103: Obviousness

- AI tools may impact reasonable expectation of success analysis
- AI may alter the skill of level of a POSA, and thus affect the bar for nonobviousness
- Proliferation of AI-generated prior art may impact duty of candor

AI-Assisted Proliferation of Protein Structure Knowledge



AlphaFold is an AI system developed by DeepMind that predicts a protein's 3D structure from its amino acid sequence.



See AlphaFold Protein Structure Database, <https://alphafold.ebi.ac.uk/>

Potential § 103 Implications of AlphaFold-Type Technology



In re Diane M. DILLON.

No. 88-1245.

United States Court of Appeals,
Federal Circuit.

Nov. 9, 1990.

“Structural similarity between claimed and prior art subject matter, proved by combining references or otherwise, where the prior art gives reason or motivation to make the claimed compositions, creates a *prima facie* case of obviousness, and that the burden (and opportunity) then falls on an applicant to rebut that *prima facie* case.”

In re Dillon, 919 F.2d 688, 692-93 (Fed. Cir. 1990)



**GENETICS INSTITUTE, LLC,
Plaintiff-Appellant,**

v.

**NOVARTIS VACCINES AND
DIAGNOSTICS, INC.,
Defendant-Appellee.**

No. 2010-1264.

United States Court of Appeals,
Federal Circuit.

Aug. 23, 2011.

“Yet Genetics concedes that it was not known prior to the filing of the '620 patent that amino acids 1649-89 [of the claimed truncated Factor VIII protein] were critical to maintain vWF binding.”

Genetics Inst., LLC v. Novartis Vaccines and Diag., Inc., 655 F.3d 1291, 1303-04 (Fed. Cir. 1993)

Potential § 103 Implications of AlphaFold-Type Technology



**In re Marek Z. KUBIN and
Raymond G. Goodwin.**

No. 2008-1184.

United States Court of Appeals,
Federal Circuit.

April 3, 2009.

This court also declines to cabin *KSR* to the “predictable arts” (as opposed to the “unpredictable art” of biotechnology). In fact, this record shows that one of skill in this advanced art would find these claimed “results” profoundly “predictable.” The record shows the well-known and reliable nature of the cloning and sequencing techniques in the prior art, not to mention the readily knowable and obtainable structure of an identified protein. Therefore this court cannot deem irrelevant the ease and predictability of cloning the gene that codes for that protein. This court cannot,

In re Kubin, 561 F.3d 1351, 1360 (Fed. Cir. 2009)

NYIPLA One-Day Patent Seminar

IPR Estoppel After *Caltech*



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November 9, 2022



Agenda

- **IPR Estoppel Before *Caltech***
- **IPR Estoppel After *Caltech***
- **Open Questions After *Caltech***
- **Key Takeaways**



IPR Estoppel Before *Caltech*

- **Estoppel bars an invalidity argument that was “raised or reasonably could have been raised” during an IPR. 35 U.S.C. § 315(e)(2).**
- **Broad Interpretation v. Narrow Interpretation**
 - » Narrow Interpretation: Only instituted grounds are estopped.
 - » Broad Interpretation: All grounds that could have been raised are estopped.
- **The Impact of SAS**
 - » The PTAB was no longer able to pick and choose claims and grounds for institution.
 - » After *SAS*, district courts overwhelmingly adopted the broad interpretation of IPR estoppel.



Caltech Case Summary

Cal. Inst. of Tech. v. Broadcom Ltd., 25 F.4th 976 (Fed. Cir. 2022)

- The Federal Circuit held that estoppel includes claims and grounds not only raised in an IPR but that could have been reasonably raised.
- Partly due to *SAS*, the Federal Circuit adopted the broad interpretation of IPR estoppel.
- The Federal Circuit overruled *Shaw Industries Group, Inc. v. Automated Creel Systems*, 817 F.3d 1293 (Fed. Cir. 2016).



Caltech Case Summary

- On February 22, 2022, the Federal Circuit issued errata that clarified that IPR estoppel only applies to the petitioned claims.
 - » *"all claims and grounds not in the IPR but which reasonably could have been included" was changed to "all grounds not stated in the petition but which reasonably could have been asserted against the claims included"*
 - » *"grounds asserted" was changed to "challenged claims"*



Open Questions After *Caltech*

- *What does "reasonably could have been raised" mean?*
- *What does it mean to be "aware of" a prior art reference?*
- *Does IPR estoppel include all possible prior art and obviousness combinations related to petitioned claims?*
- *How should district courts deal with nearly identical claims where only one claim is petitioned?*
- *How does IPR estoppel affect defendants in related cases where the same claims are asserted?*

Key Takeaways



- **IPRs are riskier for petitioners than they used to be.**
- **The strategy behind filing an IPR needs to consider all potential grounds and prior art for petitioned claims.**
- **Plaintiffs may consider raising IPR estoppel more often on summary judgment.**
- **An unsuccessful IPR can severely limit a defendant's invalidity case at trial.**
- **The law surrounding IPRs continues to evolve.**



■ **Questions?**



Who invented CRISPR-Cas9?

*UC Berkeley, University of Vienna and Emmanuelle Charpentier (“CVC”) v.
The Broad Institute, MIT and Harvard University (“Broad”)*

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What Constitutes a “Definite & Permanent Idea”, *i.e.*, Conception?

Conception

Scrutinized experiments, expressed uncertainty



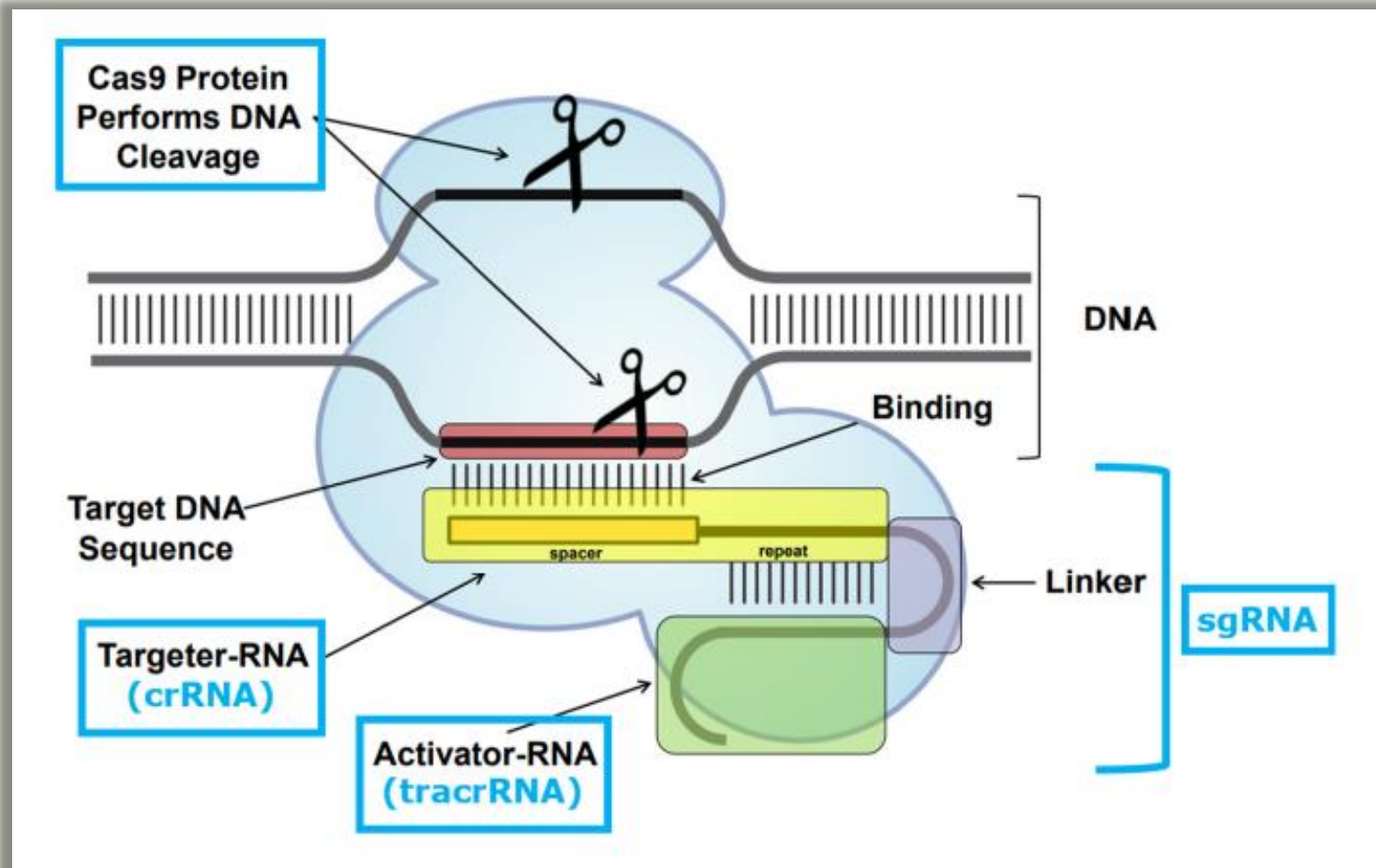
Reduction to Practice

“Conception is the formation in the mind of the inventor, of a definite and permanent idea of the complete and operative invention, as it is hereafter to be applied in practice.”

Hybritech, Inc. v. Monoclonal Antibodies, Inc., 802 F.2d 1367, 1376 (Fed. Cir. 1986).

Conception is the touchstone of inventorship.

CRISPR-Cas9 Gene-editing Technology



crRNA – in CRISPR systems, an RNA sequence can guide at least one DNA-cleaving protein to a complementary target DNA sequence.

tracrRNA – another RNA sequence that can convert precursor crRNA strands into their active, mature form.

sgRNA – tracrRNA and crRNA can be linked to form a single-molecule “chimeric” RNA or sgRNA.

Inventorship Timeline (2012)

“CVC” Key Dates

March 1, 2012
CVC’s asserts conception.

May 2012
CVC files P1 appln

June 2012
- CVC’s invite-only event
- CVC’s *Science* publication

August 9, 2012
Zebrafish experiment asserts RtP

“Broad” Key Dates

June 2012
Broad asserts conception.

October 5, 2012
Broad asserts RtP.

Dec.2012
Broad’s filing date

March 1, 2012 - Conceptual Drawing Dr. Jinek Notebook

"CVC" Key Dates

March 1, 2012

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August 9, 2012

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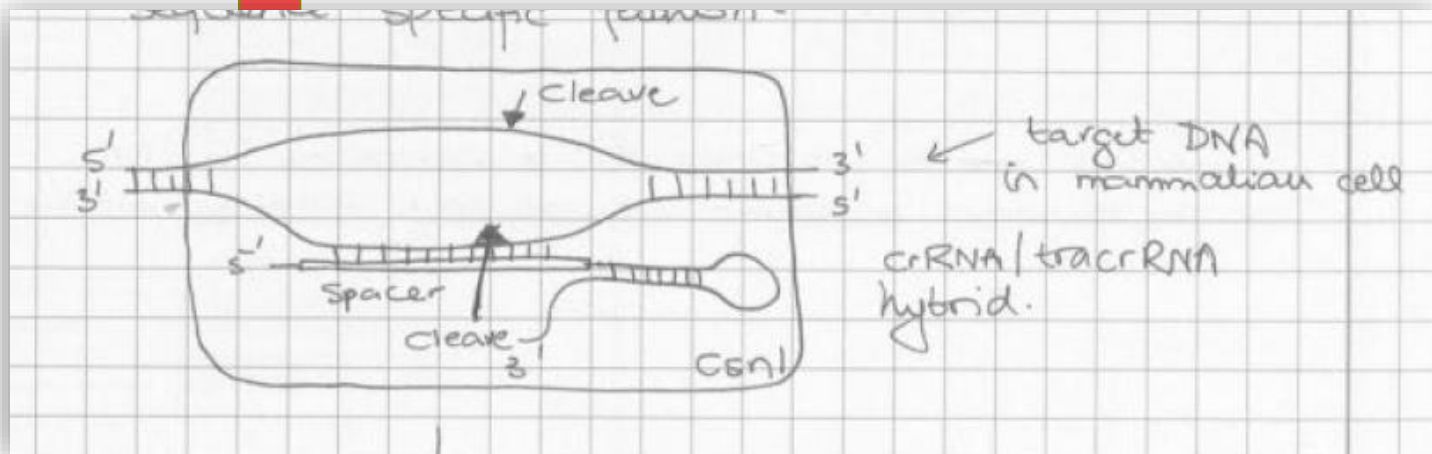
"Broad" Key Dates

June 2012

- Broad's asserted conception.

October 5, 2012

Broad reduces invention to practice.



June 26, 2012

“CVC” Key Dates

March 1, 2012

CVC’s asserted conception.

June 2012

- CVC invite event
- CVC’s *Science* pub.

August 9, 2012

Zebrafish experiment is successful.

“Broad” Key Dates

June 2012

- Broad’s asserted conception.
- Broad attends CVC presentation and receives email from CVC reviewer.

October 5, 2012

Broad reduces invention to practice.



August 9, 2012



August 9, 2012

Zebrafish experiment is successful.

“CVC” Key Dates

March 1, 2012

CVC’s asserted conception.

“Broad” Key Dates

June 2012

- Broad’s asserted conception.
- Broad receives email from CVC reviewer.

October 5, 2012

Broad reduces invention to practice.

Zebrafish embryo mutation experiment

Email to inventor reporting results:

Potentially good news about fish. We tested the NLS-tagged Cas9 that we just got from Martin as the normal protein was not giving anything conclusive.... *there are still problems with toxicity and... it will require some more optimization... Anyway, there is a hint it might work but we shouldn’t be overexcited now.*

October 5, 2012

“CVC” Key Dates

March 1, 2012

CVC’s asserted conception.

August 9, 2012

Zebrafish experiment is successful.



“Broad” Key Dates

June 2012

- Broad’s asserted conception.
- Broad receives email from CVC reviewer.

October 5, 2012

Broad reduces invention to practice.

- Zhang published results of successful DNA modification in mouse cells, of experiments carried out in July & August 2012
- Emails characterized the July and August experiments as “very promising”

PTAB Consideration of Emails



Neither the email reporting the results nor Dr. Charpentier's response "demonstrates that either recognized and appreciated Dr. Raible's 9 August 2012 experiment was an actual reduction to practice of an embodiment of Count 1."

Interference No. 106,115, at 14

PTAB Decision



“Although the CVC inventors developed a system on 1 March 2012 that they hoped would work in eukaryotic cells, the preponderance of the evidence demonstrates that they did not have a definite and permanent idea of how to achieve that result as of that date or by the later dates CVC asserts support that date because of their perception of these multiple failures.”



Issues for Appeal to the Federal Circuit



1. Whether the PTAB legally erred by failing to apply an objective standard for conception, instead requiring that CVC knew their invention would work
2. Whether the PTAB impermissibly awarded priority without identifying any inventive contribution by the purported inventor

Amicus Brief from Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Regeneron position:

- The PTAB conflated the requirements of conception and reduction to practice
 - Conception does not require an inventor to know the invention will work
 - Reduction to practice does

“The board conflated conception — a mental act that the patent system promotes and protects — with actual reduction to practice — a physical step...”

- Erroneously held that post-conception experimental failures preclude conception



Amicus Brief World Renown Scientists in CRISPR Field



PTAB misunderstood basic principles of how skepticism and failure operate within the scientific method.

“Without skepticism –including a willingness to recognize, even welcome, failure –scientists risk falling prey : *confirmation bias*.” to one of the most pernicious problems in science

PTAB misunderstood CVC’s ordinary skepticism for fundamental doubt about the specificity of their ideas.

The PTAB’s decision... will discourage collaboration, slow scientific progress, and reward confirmation bias.

“Science is a conversation: an iterative process that allows for one idea to build and shape the next through refinement of the last.”

GlaxoSmithKline v. Teva

Carve Outs/ **Skinny Labels** & Inducement of Infringement

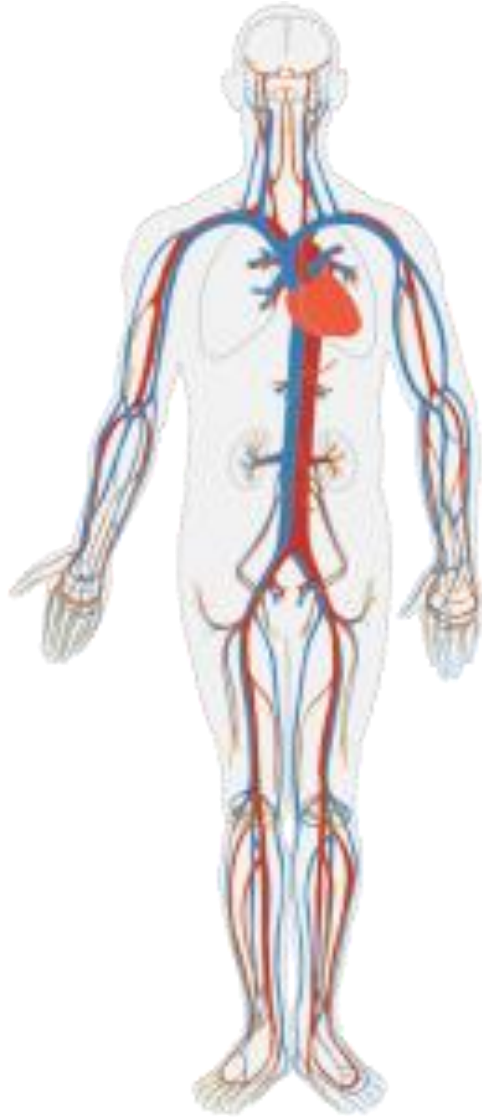
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Background (GSK v. Teva)

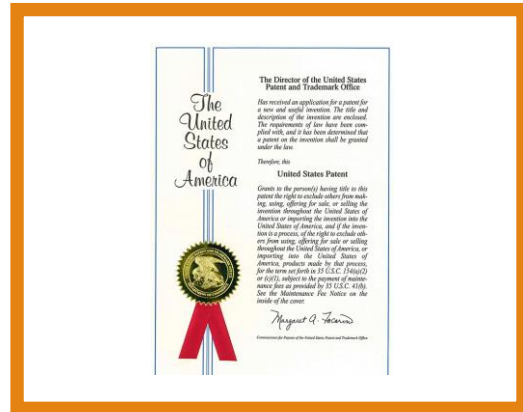
In 1997 the FDA approved GSK's branded heart failure drug Coreg (carvedilol) for three indications:

- Hypertension
- Congestive heart failure (CHF)
- Left ventricular dysfunction (LVD)

In 2007 Teva received FDA approval to market a generic version of carvedilol for only the non-patented indications:

- hypertension
- ~~mild to severe congestive heart failure (CHF)~~
- and left ventricular dysfunction (LVD)

More Background



Hatch-Waxman Act allows generics to seek approval of FDA approved & non-patented uses via skinny label.

GSK U.S. Patent No. RE40,000 (reissue of US. Pat. No. 5,760,069, expired (2015)): Method patent with claims drawn to methods of decreasing mortality caused by congestive heart failure by administering to a patient Coreg ...

In press releases and marketing materials, Teva stated that its generic version of Coreg was "an AB Rated generic of Coreg tablets." An AB rating indicates Teva's generic version of Coreg is considered bioequivalent to branded Coreg.

In 2011, the FDA required Teva to amend its label to be identical in labeling to the branded drug. Teva amended its label to include the indication for treatment of congestive heart failure.

Summary

By law: "Whoever actively induces infringement of a patent shall be liable as an infringer"

In 2017, a jury in Delaware found that Teva induced doctors to infringe a GlaxoSmithKline patent with its "skinny-label" version of the drug Coreg and said Teva must pay \$235 million to GSK, Teva moved for JMOL and the verdict was overturned by the federal judge Stark overseeing the case.

Oct 2, 2020 judgement vacated and when heard again on the merits in August 2021, a split Federal Circuit panel revived the \$235 million verdict against Teva for inducing infringement of the patent covering GSK heart disease drug Coreg for treating congestive heart failure

Federal Circuit decided in February 2022 that they would not touch the ruling from the three-judge panel that maintained Teva induced doctors to infringe a GlaxoSmithKline patent.

Federal Circuit Judges

- ❖ Teva's promotional materials, press releases, product catalogs, U.S. Food and Drug Administration labels, and testimony from witnesses on both sides supports that Teva was inducing the doctors to prescribe Coreg for infringing uses.
- ❖ In reversing, the majority made no legal pronouncements that will bind any panel of this court from concluding, in a different case, on different facts, that a properly executed skinny label strategy and marketing campaign does not create inducement liability.
- ❖ Dissent (Prost) : judgement nullified the practice of skinny label launches, a practice that has Congressional approval. She added that Teva was being punished for following the regulatory pathway set out in the Hatch-Waxman Act.

Practice Tips for Generics

Include carve out of patented indications in the generic label; make sure that all press releases, marketing materials and catalogs are consistent with the carved-out label.

Keep an eye out on pending applications in the branded portfolio and monitor the prosecution and types of claims that need to be part of the carve out.

Patent lawyers need to insist on being involved in regulatory and commercial plans whenever strategy includes carve outs & skinny labels.

Questions?

