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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

GNOSIS S.P.A., GNOSIS BIORESEARCH S.A., and GNOSIS U.S.A., INC.
Petitioners

V.

SOUTH ALABAMA MEDICAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION and MERCK & CIE Patent Owners

Case IPR2013-00116 (Patent 5,997,915)

Case IPR2013-00117 (Patent 6,011,040)

Case IPR2013-00118 (Patent 6,673,381)

Case IPR2013-00119 (Patent 7,172,778)¹

Before JACQUELINE WRIGHT BONILLA, SCOTT E. KAMHOLZ, and SHERIDAN K. SNEDDEN, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

KAMHOLZ, Administrative Patent Judge.

ORDER
Conduct of the Proceeding
37 C.F.R. § 42.5

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¹ South Alabama Medical Science Foundation ("SAMSF") is the Patent Owner in cases IPR2013-00116, -00117, and -00119. Merck & Cie ("Merck") is the Patent Owner in case IPR2013-00117.

By email dated May 13, 2014 (copy attached), Gnosis requested correction of several errors in the oral argument transcript. Patent Owners oppose most of the corrections, because they regard the challenged passages as not appearing, on their face, to be transcriptional errors.

Upon review of the proposed corrections, we determine that none of them is sufficiently substantial to warrant formal correction of the oral argument transcript. The parties' positions on the proposed corrections are noted in the record.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that Petitioners' request for correction of the oral argument transcript is *denied*.

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Dear PTAB:

We are counsel for Petitioners in the above-listed four IPRs.

We write to report several likely transcription errors in the transcript of the Oral Hearing held on March 20, 2014. Case IPR2013-00116, Paper 64; Case IPR2013-00117, Paper 67; Case IPR2013-00118, Paper 60; Case IPR2013-00119, Paper 61.

On May 9, 2014, the Board allowed Patent Owner to correct a similar error in the transcript after the court reporter checked the corresponding audio file. See, Case IPR2013-00116, Paper 65; Case IPR2013-00117, Paper 68; Case IPR2013-00118, Paper 61; Case IPR2013-00119, Paper 61.

Because the Board was willing to correct an error for Patent Owners, Petitioners also request that the audio file be checked for the following additional errors below:

On page 66, ln. 20-23, the transcript states, "Table 4 of Exhibit 1019 contains data that clearly is showing the folate deficiency is <u>created</u> by 5-MTHF, and it's doing this through administration over 60 days, and it's not reporting any of the concerns that Dr. Gregory raised." As is evident from Table 4 of Exhibit 1019 itself, Petitioners request that the incorrect word "created" be replaced by the word "treated."

On page 71, ln. 17 -18, the transcript states "he wrote -- well, the article he wrote was about the potential of a <u>folinic</u> acid for being a successful treatment of DPN." As is evident from the referenced Exhibit 1130, Petitioners request that the incorrect word "<u>folinic</u>" be replaced by the correct word "<u>alpa-lipoic</u>."

On page 75, ln. 15, the transcript states "He refers to <u>folic preparations</u> and not folic acid" Petitioners request the incorrect phrase "<u>folic preparations</u>" be replaced with the correct phrase "<u>folate preparations</u>."

On page 139, ln. 19, the transcript states, "discussing -- in its description of the <u>heartbeat</u> reference, but there are." Petitioners request the incorrect word "heartbeat" be replaced with the correct word "Harpey."

On page 141, ln. 17 and 19-20, the transcript states "<u>calcium gluconate</u>." As is evident from the Exhibit 1016, Petitioners request that the incorrect phrase "<u>calcium gluconate</u>" be replaced with correct phrase "<u>calcium leucovorin</u>."

Petitioners seek guidance from the Board regarding how Petitioners may correct these additional transcription errors.

Petitioners raised this matter with Patent Owners, who indicated that "Petitioners' requests refer to changes which, on their face, do not appear to be transcriptional errors, with the exception of replacing the word 'heartbeat' with 'Harpey.' Therefore, Patent Owners have no objection to Petitioners' request to replace 'heartbeat' with 'Harpey.' Patent Owners do, however, object to Petitioners' remaining requested changes to the record."

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