

Recent Decisions of the EPO Boards of Appeal in Biotechnology and Biopharmaceuticals

Topics

- Recent patentability decisions
- Recent procedural decisions
- Biotech Case Law including decisions on plants, stem cells, antibodies, diagnostics, etc.
- Report period 2016 - 2018 & forthcoming 2019

Expert seminar with two top speakers in the field of biotech and biopharma patents

Your speakers



Gabriele Alt
Chair of a Technical Board of Appeal of the European Patent Office, Munich



Dr. Hans-Rainer Jaenichen
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Aims and objectives

The most important published and unpublished decisions of the Boards of Appeal in the field of biopharmaceuticals and biotechnology will be presented. The panelists will discuss, in particular, the consequences of these decisions on patent practice.

The panelists offer the combined experience of one of the most experienced judges in the field of biopharmaceuticals at the European Patent Office and one of the most eminent Patent Attorneys practicing exclusively in the field of biotechnology and biopharmaceuticals. Thus, an informed presentation of the decisions with a focus on the impact on practice is guaranteed.

Who should attend?

Heads and employees of patent departments

- Patent Attorneys and Patent Engineers/Scientists
- Patent Attorneys at Law
- Patent managers and patent experts

Evidence of further education

This course merits 6.5 hours of CPD and 6.5 credit points under the rules on professional competence of the Netherlands Bar Association. It is also a potentially relevant CPD for fellows of the CIPA.

Your speakers



Gabriele Alt
Chair of a Technical Board
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In 2003 Gabriele Alt joined Technical Board of Appeal 3304, which deals mainly with appeals in the field of biopharmaceuticals, including antibodies and their second medical uses, and also plants; since 2014 she has been chair of this Board. Before joining the EPO Ms Alt studied biology in Erlangen and Strasbourg, with a focus on virology and botany.



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Dr. Hans-Rainer Jaenichen has been a partner at Vossius & Partner, Patent Attorneys and Attorneys at Law, since 1989. He holds a doctorate in biology and is a qualified European and German patent attorney. He has authored numerous publications on intellectual property law and is the author of the book 'From Clones to Claims' (January 2016, sixth edition).

11 October 2019, 9 am - 5 pm

Recent decisions 2016 – 2018 and forthcoming decisions 2019 essentially in:

- I Patentability of plants**
- I Latest developments concerning the patentability of embryonic stem cells**
- I Disclosure of the invention**
- I Rules of procedure**
- I Second medical use**
Patient groups, route of administration, dosage regimen, mechanisms of action, avoiding side effects, plausibility
- I Novelty of personalized medicine claims**
- I The technical-problem-and-solution approach:
How to define the closest prior art**
- I Inventive step of diagnostic targets**
- I Patenting antibodies**
- I Referral decisions**
- I Petition for review pursuant to Article 112a EPC**

Plus relevant current decisions that have not yet been published or issued between the editorial deadline and the date of the seminar.