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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

NOVARTIS PHARMACEUTICALS CORPORATION,
Petitioner,

v.

REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN AND
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA,
Patent Owners.

Case IPR2023-01346
U.S. Patent No. 10,633,344

**JOINT STATEMENT REGARDING PREFERENCE FOR ORAL
ARGUMENT HEARING LOCATION**

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 42.70 and the Board’s Scheduling Order dated March 19, 2024 (Paper 9), Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation (“Petitioner”) and the Regents of the University of Michigan and the University of South Florida (“Patent Owners”) (together, the “Parties”) jointly submit this Statement regarding their preference for the location of the Oral Argument hearing, if requested.

The Parties state that their preference is for an in-person Oral Argument hearing at the USPTO headquarters in Alexandria, Virginia.

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