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MERCK SHARP & DOHME LLC,
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v.

THE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY,
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2024-00624
Patent 11,325,975 B2

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2505	Declaration of Sarah E. Jack in Support of Notice of Intent to Designate a Provisionally Recognized PTAB Attorney
2506	Declaration of Caroline (Gracie) Koonce

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c), Patent Owner, The Johns Hopkins University ("Patent Owner" or "JHU") respectfully requests that the Board recognize Caroline (Gracie) Koonce as counsel *pro hac vice* in this proceeding. Patent Owner seeks the counsel of Ms. Koonce due to her experience in representing JHU in other patent-related matters and particularly due to her familiarity with the substantive and technical issues involved in this proceeding. This motion is authorized by the Notice of Filing Date Accorded to Petition and Time for Filing Patent Owner Preliminary Response that was mailed on December 14, 2023.

Petitioner does not oppose this motion.

Statement of Facts

Ms. Koonce is a patent litigation attorney with 2 years of experience representing clients in cases involving, *inter alia*, biochemistry and a variety of chemical and pharmaceutical innovations. Ms. Koonce regularly litigates patent cases before federal district courts and through her practice in such cases, Ms. Koonce has gained substantial experience in the various phases of patent litigation. Ms. Koonce's biography is attached as Appendix A of Exhibit 2506.

Ms. Koonce also has particular experience and familiarity with the substantive and technical issues involved in this inter partes review proceeding. In a related matter, Merck Sharp & Dohme LLC v. The Johns Hopkins University,

Case No. 1:22-CV-03059-JRR at the United States District Court for the District of Maryland, Ms. Koonce served as counsel for and specifically handled the patent-at-issue in this proceeding.

Declaration of Individual Seeking to Appear

This Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission is accompanied by a Declaration of Caroline (Gracie) Koonce.

Accordingly, JHU submits that there is good cause under 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c) for the Board to recognize Caroline (Gracie) Koonce as counsel *pro hac vice* during this proceeding.

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Pursuant to 37 CFR § 42.6(e)(4), the undersigned certifies that on March 18, 2025, a complete and entire copy of this Patent Owner's Motion for Pro Hac Vice and Exhibit 2506 were provided via email, to the Petitioner by serving the email correspondence addresses of record as follows:

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