

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

SMAXTEC INC. and
SMAXTEC ANIMAL CARE GMBH,
Petitioners,

v.

ST REPRODUCTIVE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC,
Patent Owner.

Case No. IPR2024-01067
U.S. Patent No. 10,231,644

**PETITIONERS' AND PATENT OWNER'S
JOINT REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.70(a), Petitioners smaXtec Inc. and smaXtec Animal Care GmbH (“Petitioners”) and Patent Owner ST Reproductive Technologies, LLC (“Patent Owner”) (collectively, the “Parties”) hereby jointly request oral argument in the present *inter partes* review (“IPR”) proceeding.

Currently, oral argument is scheduled for October 21, 2025, in the above-referenced IPR. The Parties propose an argument of 90 minutes total with each side allotted 45 minutes. The Parties further request that the oral argument take place in person at the USPTO headquarters in Alexandria, Virginia.

With respect to the above-captioned proceeding, the Parties specify the following issues to be argued:

- Whether claims 5-6 of U.S. Patent No. 10,231,644 (“the ’644 patent”) are unpatentable as anticipated by Int’l Appln. No. PCT/US2007/020918, Pub. No. WO 2008/108816 (“Harvey”);
- Whether claims 5-6 of the ’644 patent are unpatentable as anticipated by U.S. Patent Appln. Pub. No. 2009/0187392 (“Riskey”);
- Whether claims 5-6 of the ’644 patent are unpatentable as obvious over Harvey in view of Riskey;
- Whether claim 7 of the ’644 patent is unpatentable as obvious over Harvey in view of U.S. Patent Appln. Pub. No. 2013/0197323 (“Rettedal”);

- Whether claims 9-10 of the '644 patent are unpatentable as obvious over Harvey in view of Japanese Patent Appln. No. 2004-215061 A (“Kunda”);
- Responses to the Parties’ presentations on all matters;
- Any other issue briefed or presented by the Parties throughout this trial; and
- Any other issues that the Board deems necessary for issuing a final written decision.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

A copy of the foregoing document and the accompanying exhibits were served via electronic mail on Patent Owner's counsel of record at the email addresses dmoффett@akingump.com, mmahoney@akingump.com, twlanders@akingump.com, jhernandez@akingump.com, and AG-ST-SMAXTEC@akingump.com, as indicated in Patent Owner's Amended Mandatory Notices, dated March 12, 2025.

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