

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

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XENCOR, INC.,  
Petitioner

v.

MERUS N.V.,  
Patent Owner

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Case No. IPR2025-00604  
Patent No. 9,358,286

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**PATENT OWNER'S REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT**

Patent Owner Merus B.V. hereby requests oral argument pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.70(a) and DUE DATE 4 of the Scheduling Order. *See* Paper No. 14. According to the Scheduling Order, oral argument in this proceeding will take place on June 24, 2026.

Patent Owner requests one hour of argument per side. Without intent to waive any issue not specifically identified, Patent Owner requests oral argument on the following issues:

- Whether *Lazar* anticipates claims 1, 7, 21, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, and 32;
- Whether *Cabrera* anticipates claims 1, 2, 7, 21, 22, 24, 26–28, and 30–32;
- Whether claims 1, 2, 7–24, 26–28, and 30–32 are unpatentable as obvious in view of *Lazar* and *Arathoon*;
- Whether claims 1, 2, 7–24, 26–28, and 30–32 are unpatentable as obvious over *Lazar*, *Arathoon*, and *Cabrera*;
- The proper construction of the terms “heavy chain” and “interacts ... to produce a heterodimeric antibody”;
- Any other issues identified in the Petition, Patent Owner’s Response, Petitioner’s Reply, Patent Owner’s Sur-Reply, Petitioner’s Request for Oral Argument, or during Petitioner’s Oral Argument;
- Any other issues raised by the Board.

Patent Owner also requests permission to use audio and visual equipment to display demonstrative, exhibits, and/or papers during oral argument.

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The undersigned hereby certifies that pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.6(e), a copy of the foregoing PATENT OWNER'S REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT was delivered via electronic mail on May 15, 2026 to lead and backup counsel of record for the Petitioner as follows:

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