UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Merck Sharp & Dohme LLC,
Petitioner,

v.

Halozyme Inc.,
Patent Owner.

PGR2025-00006
Patent No. 12,152,262

PETITIONER'S REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.70 and the Board's Scheduling Order (Paper 32), dated June 17, 2025, Petitioner Merck Sharp & Dohme LLC hereby respectfully requests oral argument in this proceeding on the grounds of unpatentability on which trial was instituted, and any additional issues on which the Board seeks clarification. The oral argument is currently scheduled for March 2, 2026. *See* Paper 32.

Petitioner has conferred with Patent Owner about argument time and structure. Petitioner respectfully requests (and Patent Owner agrees) that the issues in proceedings PGR2025-00003, PGR2025-00004, PGR2025-00006, and PGR2025-00009 should be heard together, as the arguments are substantially overlapping. Petitioner also respectfully requests (and Patent Owner agrees) that each side be given a total of 75 minutes to present its arguments across all four proceedings. Pursuant to the Scheduling Order, the parties request that oral argument be held at the USPTO headquarters in Alexandria, VA.

Petitioner proposes presenting its initial argument (up to 75 minutes), Patent Owner following with its response (up to 75 minutes), and Petitioner using any remaining time for rebuttal. Because Petitioner bears the ultimate burden of proof that the claims at issue in this review are unpatentable, Petitioner would oppose any request by Patent Owner for a sur-rebuttal.

To the extent oral argument is held in person, Petitioner also respectfully requests permission to use audio/visual equipment to display demonstrative

exhibits, for example, the use of a projector and screen that connects to a laptop computer.

Also, pursuant to the Scheduling Order, Petitioner advises that it anticipates that more than 5 individuals will attend the argument in person on its behalf, and therefore respectfully requests that the Board set the hearing to accommodate these additional attendees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.6(e), I hereby certify that on this 19th day of January, 2026, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of Petitioner's Request for Oral Argument by electronic mail on the following counsel:

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