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I. INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 311-319 and 37 C.F.R. § 42, Celltrion, Inc. petitions for *Inter Partes* Review ("IPR") of claims 1, 2, 4, 12, 25, 29–31, 33, 42, 60, 62–67, 69 and 71–81 of U.S. Patent No. 6,407,213 ("the '213 patent," Ex. 1001). The challenged claims are unpatentable because they would have been obvious from prior art that disclosed methods of making humanized antibodies, including the detailed roadmap taught in PCT Application No. WO 90/07861 to Queen ("Queen 1990") [Ex. 1050] and Queen's highly regarded 1989 *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences Article* ("Queen 1989") [Ex. 1034], and from the Protein Data Bank (PDB) database antibody structures. The '213 claims are also obvious over Queen 1989 or Queen 1990, in view of Tramontano [Ex. 1051]; Kabat 1987 [Ex. 1052]; or Hudziak [Ex. 1021].

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge all fees due in connection with this matter to Attorney Deposit Account 506989.

II. MANDATORY NOTICES

A. Real Parties-In-Interest

The real parties-in-interest are Celltrion, Inc., Celltrion Healthcare Co. Ltd., and Teva Pharmaceuticals International GmbH.

B. Related Matters

Petitioner is not aware of any litigation related to the '213 patent. The '213 patent is related to the following patents: U.S. Pat. Nos. 6,639,055, 6,800,738, and

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6,719,971 (all expired for maintenance fee non-payment), and U.S. Pat. No. 8,075,890.

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III. GROUNDS FOR STANDING AND PROCEDURAL STATEMENT

As required by 37 C.F.R. § 42.104(a), Petitioner certifies that the '213 patent is available for IPR and that the Petitioner is not barred or estopped from requesting IPR on the grounds identified herein.

IV. IDENTIFICATION OF CHALLENGE AND STATEMENT OF THE PRECISE RELIEF REQUESTED

Petitioner requests IPR and cancellation of claims 1, 2, 4, 12, 25, 29–31, 33, 42, 60, 62–67, 69 and 71–81 of the '213 patent under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. § 103, as set forth below in Petitioner's detailed "Statement of Reasons for Relief Requested." Petitioner provides copies of the exhibits relied upon, and the

Declarations of Dr. Lutz Riechmann, Ph.D. (Ex. 1003) and Dr. Robert Charles Fredrick Leonard, M.D. (Ex. 1004).

Dr. Riechmann received his Ph.D. in Biology at the University of Bremen in Germany in 1986. He was a postdoctoral fellow in Sir Greg Winter's laboratory at the Medical Research Council Laboratory of Molecular Biology (MRC-LMB) in Cambridge, U.K. from 1986–1988 and later acted as Senior Scientific Officer with Sir Winter at the MRC-LMB. The MRC-LMB is a world-class research laboratory and one of the birthplaces of modern molecular biology. Ex. 1003 at ¶2. Many techniques have been pioneered at the laboratory, including the development of monoclonal antibodies. *Id.* His work resulted in numerous publications and patents in this field. *Id.* at ¶7. Dr. Riechmann has also worked as an antibody humanization consultant to many biotechnological companies. *Id.* at ¶5.

Dr. Leonard is currently a physician in private practice, focusing on breast cancer oncology care at British United Provident Association Cromwell Hospital as part of the Imperial College Hospitals group in London. Dr. Leonard has over 20 years training and clinical practice working with immunological aspects of human cancers, and in particular, focusing on research and treatment of breast cancer and myeloma, including the use of antibody therapies. Dr. Leonard has published extensively in this field, including several academic studies investigating the use of trastuzumab in breast cancer care. The challenged claims generally involve humanized antibodies and humanized antibody variable domains. Ex. 1003 at ¶38–61. They are unpatentable as follows:

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No	Claims and Basis
1	Claims 1, 2, 12, 25, 29, 63, 66–67 and 71–81 as obvious over Queen
	1989, in view of the Protein Data Bank (PDB) database
2	Claims 1, 2, 4, 12, 25, 29, 62–67, 69 and 71–81 as obvious over Queen
	1990, in view of the PDB database
3	Claims 75, 76, 77, 79 and 65 as obvious in view of Queen 1989, the
	PDB database, and further in view of Tramontano
4	Claims 75, 76, 77, 79, and 65 as obvious in view of Queen 1990, the
	PDB database, and further in view of Tramontano
5	Claims 4, 62, 64 and 69 as obvious in view of Queen 1989, the PDB
	database, and further in view of Kabat 1987
6	Claims 30, 31, 42 and 60 as obvious in view of Queen 1989, the PDB
	database, and further in view of Hudziak
7	Claims 30, 31, 33, 42 and 60 as obvious in view of Queen 1990 and the
	PDB database, and further in view of Hudziak

V. STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR THE RELIEF REQUESTED

An inter *partes* review petition must demonstrate "a reasonable likelihood that the petitioner would prevail with respect to at least 1 of the claims challenged in the petition." 35 U.S.C. § 314(a). As set forth below, this Petition meets and exceeds this threshold.

A. Summary of the Argument

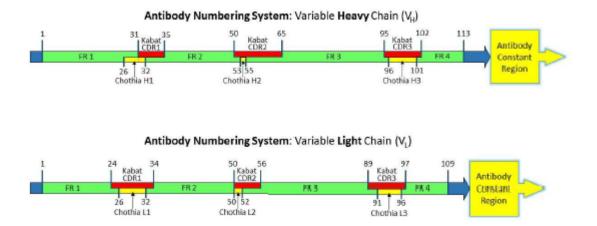
In 1975, *Nature* published Kohler and Milstein's ground-breaking study manufacturing "predefined specific antibodies by means of permanent tissue culture cell lines," *i.e.*, monoclonal antibodies. Ex. 1022 at 1. Mouse monoclonal

antibodies exhibited therapeutic and diagnostic promise, but use in patients resulted in a human anti-mouse antibody (HAMA) immunogenicity response. Ex. 1003 at ¶¶68–70; Ex. 1004 at ¶28–29.

To neutralize the HAMA response, mouse antibodies were first reengineered to make them "more human" by replacing parts of the mouse antibody with human counterparts. First generation (early 1980s) versions replaced the mouse antibody's constant region with corresponding human antibody residues. Ex. 1003 at ¶¶87–89; Ex. 1004 at ¶¶34–34. While "chimeric" antibodies retained the parent mouse's affinity and specificity, patients still experienced HAMA responses. Next, scientists replaced mouse variable domain framework regions (FR) flanking the complementarity determining regions (CDR) with human sequences. Ex. 1003 at ¶90.

Scientists were able to design mouse-to-human substitutions in the variable domain because they had accumulated an extensive antibody sequence database by the mid-1980s. By 1987 Kabat had identified which heavy and light chain sequence positions were consistently similar, or consistently varying from antibody to antibody. *See* Kabat (1987) [Ex. 1052]. Kabat called consistently-similar regions "framework regions" (FRs); and highly variable regions "complementarity determining regions" (CDRs), with CDRs most likely to engage in antigen-specific

binding. Starting with position 1, Kabat classified the antibody variable domain structure through comparison of over a hundred antibodies [Ex. 1003 at ¶¶73–91]:



Kabat's map, and later work by Chothia and colleagues [Ex. 1062], gave scientists clearly defined regions to target for further humanization of chimeric antibodies: FRs (green) within the variable domain. Ex. 1003 at ¶¶71–89. Wholesale replacement of mouse FR sequences with human FR sequences increased the risk of losing some sequence features that helped properly position the mouse CDRs so they could achieve their binding affinities. In 1989 and 1990, Queen *et al.* published a humanization methodology applicable to any antibody to optimize this risk-reward balance of human characteristics (to reduce immunogenicity) and non-human (*e.g.*, mouse) characteristics (to ensure good binding affinity). Ex. 1034 at 1; Ex. 1050 at 1; Ex. 1003 at ¶¶114–26, 245–60. The fundamental principle was simple: after incorporating human FR sequences, change a limited number of residues back to the mouse sequence to maintain

binding affinity and specificity, particularly those "framework amino acids in the mouse antibody that might interact with the CDRs or directly with antigen." Ex. 1034 at 5; Ex. 1003 at ¶¶114–26.

Queen 1990 provided four specific criteria (I-IV) to target amino acids for substitution in producing humanized antibodies. *See* Ex. 1050 at 14:17–16:2; Ex. 1003 at ¶120–26. Following this methodology, the POSA could readily discern amino acid sequence locations to target. As further instructed by Queen 1989 and 1990, one could use the known and available antibody structures in the Protein Data Bank (PDB) database to identify FR residues that are likely to contact the CDRs. After conducting this analysis, Queen 1990 explained that the identified amino acids to reinstate from the mouse should be "transferred to the human framework along with the CDRs." Ex. 1034 at 5; Ex. 1003 at ¶120–26. Using the Queen roadmap readily identifies many of the same heavy (H) and light (L) chain target residues found in claims 1, 2, 4, 12, 25, 29, 62–67, 69 and 71–81. Ex. 1003 at ¶1245–60. Thus, those claims would have been obvious.

Further, the prior art had already identified specific residue locations that appeared to be consistently involved with CDR conformation and antigen binding. Ex. 1003 at ¶¶82–86. For example, Tramontano and colleagues published in 1990 that residue **71H** was important to retain as mouse to better maintain CDR conformation. Ex. 1051 at 1; Ex. 1003 at ¶¶85, 132. Residue **71H** was thus an

automatic candidate for substitution for humanization. Ex. 1051 at 1; Ex. 1003 at ¶¶85, 132.

The prior art also disclosed both $p185^{HER2}$ as a promising therapeutic target, and a specific monoclonal antibody (4D5) against the $p185^{HER2}$ target. Celltrion's experts, Drs. Leonard and Riechmann, agree that the next logical and necessary step in the development of 4D5 was to humanize it. Ex. 1003 at ¶¶317–22; Ex. 1004 at ¶¶48–63. Applying the Queen 1990 and/or Queen 1989 roadmap alone, in combination with other references as detailed, claims 30, 31, 33, 42 and 60 of the '213 patent also would have been obvious.

B. Background of the '213 Patent

1. The '213 Patent

The '213 patent issued June 18, 2002 from a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Appl. No. 07/715,272 (filed June 14, 1991). For purposes of this IPR only, Petitioner will assume that the '213 claims are entitled to a priority date of June 14, 1991, the '213 patent's earliest possible priority date.

The '213 patent issued with 82 claims. Ex. 1001 at 85:44–90:32. Claims 1, 30, 62, 63, 64, 66, 79 and 80 are independent, and all claim a "humanized antibody," "antibody," "humanized variant of a non-human parent antibody" or "humanized antibody variable domain" comprising a "non-human . . . CDR," and a "Framework Region [FR] amino acid substitution" that returns the substituted

human framework residue back to, *e.g.*, mouse, at "a site selected from the group consisting of" certain recited residues. **Claim 1** chooses from 14 FR light chain residues (4L, 38L, 43L, 44L, 58L, 62L, 65L, 66L, 67L, 68L, 69L, 73L, 85L, 98L); and 10 heavy chain residues (2H, 4H, 36H, 39H, 43H, 45H, 69H, 70H, 74H, and 92H) when utilizing Kabat's numbering system. **Claims 30**, **62 and 63** add 4 FR residues to claim 1's list (46L, 75H, 76H and 78H). Claim 30 targets an antibody that "binds p185^{*HER2*} and comprises a humanized antibody variable domain"; and claim 63 calls for a humanized antibody "which lacks immunogenicity compared to a non-human parent antibody upon repeated administration to a human patient in order to treat a chronic disease in that patient."

Claim 66 offers a different list of 5 FR residues: 24H, 73H, 76H, 78H and 93H. Claim 79 lists 4 FR "substitutions at heavy chain positions 71H, 73H, 78H and 93H, utilizing the numbering system set forth in Kabat." Claim 80 claims the residues of claim 1 plus the 5 residues from claim 66, and adds that the FR amino acid substitution: "(a) noncovalently binds antigen directly; (b) interacts with a CDR; or (c) participates in the V_L - V_H interface by affecting the proximity or orientation of the V_L and V_H regions with respect to one another."

Claim 64 adds that the "humanized variant of a non-human parent antibody" includes "the most frequently occurring amino acid residues at each location in all human immunoglobulins of a human heavy chain immunoglobulin subgroup

wherein amino acid residues forming [CDRs] thereof comprise non-human antibody amino acid residues, and further comprises a [FR] substitution where the substituted FR residue: (a) noncovalently binds antigen directly; (b) interacts with a CDR; (c) introduces a glycosylation site which affects the antigen binding or affinity of the antibody; or (d) participates in the V_L - V_H interface by affecting the proximity or orientation of the V_L and V_H regions with respect to one another."

The dependent claims recite specific residues (claims 12, 42, 60 and 71–77; claims 75–77 further add a substitution at residue 71H); that the substituted humanized antibody residue is "found at the corresponding location of the non-human antibody from which the non-human CDR amino acid residues are obtained" (claims 2, 31, 67 and 81); that the human antibody variable domain is a "consensus" domain (claims 4, 33 and 69); or an antibody comprising the claimed humanized variable of claims 1 or 66 (claim 29 and claim 78, respectively).

The concepts in the patent's specification and claims were not unknown or new. The patent acknowledges the widely held view that the "function of the antibody is dependent on its three dimensional structure, and that amino acid substitutions can change the three-dimensional structure of an antibody" near the CDRs. *Id.* at 3:40–44. It acknowledges that past "molecular modeling" has been shown to "increase the antigen binding affinity of a humanized antibody." Ex. 1001 at 3:44–48. The '213 patent applies the same cloning and analysis tools and

techniques Queen 1989 [Ex. 1034] and Queen 1990 [Ex. 1050] described, including site-directed mutagenesis, molecular modeling and antibody functionality analysis. The '213 patent likewise recognizes the known existing promise of $p185^{HER2}$ monoclonal antibody (4D5) as a therapeutic agent against cancer, and notes its murine origin renders it "immunogenic in humans." *Id.* at 3:56–4: 23.

2. Brief Overview of the '213 Patent's Prosecution History and Related PTO Proceedings

'206 Application Prosecution. The '213 patent issued from Application No. 08/146,206 ("the '206 application"). During prosecution, the PTO rejected the '206 application's claims for anticipation, obviousness, lack of written description, lack of enablement, indefiniteness and non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting. The PTO's unpatentability bases included Queen 1989 [Ex. 1034] and Kabat 1987 [Ex. 1052], asserted here.

Interference with Application No. 11/284,261. Applicants for Application No. 11/284,261 ("the '261 application" or "Adair") requested an interference with the '213 patent, regarding claims to humanized antibodies with non-human substitutions at specific variable domain framework positions. The Board declared the interference, *Carter v. Adair*, Interference No. 105,744, Declaration of Interference at 4 (Feb. 2, 2010) [Ex. 1095], but the Board determined that Adair's claim in interference was barred under 35 U.S.C. § 135(b)(1). Decision on

Motions at 9–10 [Ex. 1095 at 1588–89], aff'd *Adair v. Carter*, 101 U.S.P.Q.2d 1625, 1630 (Fed. Cir. 2012). Ex. 1095.

C. Level of Ordinary Skill in the Art

The field of the invention relates to humanizing non-human antibodies. A POSA¹ would have held a Ph.D. or equivalent in chemistry, biological chemistry, structural biology or a closely related field, or an M.D. with practical academic or industrial experience in antibody development, including humanization of antibodies for therapeutic development and use in humans and/or antibody structural characterization and engineering. See, e.g., Ex. 1003 at ¶¶24–26. Such experience can include, e.g., three dimensional computer modeling of immunoglobulin structures, antibody domain and sequence manipulation and swapping, CDR grafting and framework substitution in humanizing antibodies, construction and expression of recombinant antibodies, antibody binding (specificity and affinity) testing, and immunogenicity testing. Id. Such person may have consulted with one or more other experienced professionals to develop a humanized monoclonal antibody for therapeutic use, including consulting with others to select non-human monoclonal antibodies (such as a mouse monoclonal

¹ All references herein to the knowledge or understanding of a POSA or a POSA's interpretation or understanding of a prior art reference are as of the earliest possible priority date unless specifically stated otherwise.

antibody) for humanization, as well as subsequent testing of the humanized antibody and its intermediates. *Id.*

D. Claim Construction

In an IPR, patent claims possess their "broadest reasonable construction in light of the specification of the patent in which it appears." 37 C.F.R. § 42.100(b); *Cuozzo Speed Techs. LLC v. Lee*, 136 S. Ct. 2131, 2142 (2016). For purposes of this IPR only, Petitioner adopts the following constructions of each respective term.²

"A Humanized Antibody Variable Domain" (Claims 1, 62 and 80), "An antibody" (Claim 30) or "A Humanized Antibody" (Claim 63), "A Humanized Variant of a Non-Human Parent Antibody" (Claims 64 and 79) or "A Humanized Antibody Heavy Chain Variable Domain" (Claim 64). The independent claims of the '213 patent each contain a variation of the preamble phrase, "A Humanized Antibody" set forth above.³ A POSA would understand "a humanized antibody" to include an antibody or antibody fragment that has been

² Celltrion does not concede that the claims can be construed to achieve reasonable certainty. Celltrion explicitly does not waive any argument or invalidity position under 35 U.S.C. § 112, or any other invalidity position not presented herein.

³ For purposes of the present petition only, Petitioner will assume that the claim preambles are limiting.

made more human-like. A POSA would also understand that none of the claims relate to a specific antibody or antibody fragment.

"And Further Comprising a Framework Region (FR) Amino Acid Substitution at a Site Selected From the Group Consisting Of". Independent claims 1, 30, 62, 63, 66, 79 and 80 of the '213 patent include a Markush Group list of amino acid residues from which a framework region substitution is chosen. Markush Group members are accorded functional equivalency status for purposes of claim construction. See Ecolochem, Inc. v. Southern California Edison Co., 91 F.3d 169 (Fed. Cir. 1996) ("By claiming a Markush group ... members of the group are functionally equivalent") (citing Application of Skoll, 523 F.2d 1392 (C.C.P.A. 1975)). As none of the claims are limited to a specific antibody, and all Markush Group members are functional equivalents of each other, the broadest reasonable interpretation to a POSA would be that any of the recited residues can be equally substituted for any given antibody.

"Numbering System Set Forth in Kabat". Independent claims 1, 30, 62, 63, 66, 79 and 80 of the '213 patent include the limitation "utilizing the numbering system set forth in Kabat." The '213 patent specifically ties its numbering system to two references: "Kabat, E.A. et al., *Sequences of Proteins of Immunological Interest* (National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Md.) (1987) and (1991)". *See* Ex. 1001 at 10:45–49. As noted, the Kabat 1987 [Ex. 1052] and Kabat 1991 [Ex.

1055] data derives from a database of publicly available antibody sequences, formatted to display sequences in alignment with each other and in a numerical sequence order. Kabat 1987 and 1991 also show boundaries of known antibody regions, including the three [CDRs] and four [FRs] in each antibody chain variable domain. The broadest reasonable construction, "utilizing the numbering system set forth in Kabat," encompasses the Kabat 1987 and Kabat 1991 designations,⁴ including the amino acid residue positions set forth in Kabat, but also including the boundary designations for CDR and FR structures.

"*Up To 3-Fold More*". The '213 patent's claim 65 limits independent claim 63 further to a "humanized variant... bind[ing] the antigen <u>up to</u> 3-fold more in the binding affinity than the parent antibody binds antigen." The broadest reasonable interpretation of this claim includes all binding affinity values "up to" 3-fold more, *i.e.*, any value no matter how small and greater than zero "up to" 3-fold more.

E. Patents and Printed Publications Relied On In This Petition

Petitioner relies on the following patents and printed publications:

⁴ Dr. Riechmann notes there are no significant differences between the Kabat 1987 and Kabat 1991 numbering systems, including CDR and FR boundary designations. Ex. 1003 at n.5. However, the priority document (U.S. Patent Application No. 07/715,272) only relies on Kabat 1987, and not Kabat 1991. *Id.*

1. Queen 1989 [Ex. 1034]

Queen 1989 (published December 1989) disclosed humanized antibodies which, to reduce immunogenicity, retained only the mouse CDRs. To preserve the precise structure of the mouse CDRs, Queen targeted specific residues in the human framework region to switch back to mouse, thus restoring the mouse CDRs' affinity and optimizing the mAb for long-term therapy. Ex. 1034 at 1; Ex. 1003 at ¶¶114–19. Queen 1989 provided guidelines for one to follow when humanizing a mouse antibody. Ex. 1034 at Abstract. These guidelines included three concepts:

1) select a human antibody FR sequence homologous to the mouse to minimize distorting the existing shape and positioning of the mouse CDRs; *id.* at 3;

2) use computer modeling to identify mouse amino acid residues in the FR that likely interact with mouse antibody CDRs or antigen, to better preserve the overall conformation of the mouse CDRs; *id.* at 3–4; and

3) substitute a rare or unusual amino acid in the human FR if the corresponding location in the mouse antibody's FR "actually has a residue much more typical of human sequences," *i.e.*, is common or conserved in humans; *id.* at 4.

This methodology generated a "combination of mouse and human sequence elements that would reduce immunogenicity while retaining high binding affinity." *Id.* at 1. Queen confirmed their "ideas ... may have wider applicability" beyond Queen's engineered mouse anti-Tac antibody. *Id.* at 5.

2. Queen 1990 [Ex. 1050]

Queen 1990 is a patent application filed December 28, 1989, and published on July 26, 1990. Queen 1990 advanced Queen 1989's methodology via four explicit criteria for humanizing non-human antibodies. The first step involves choosing the right human framework:

Criterion I: As acceptor, use a framework from a particular human immunoglobulin that is unusually homologous to the donor immunoglobulin to be humanized, or use a consensus framework from many human antibodies....

Ex. 1050 at 14:17–32; Ex. 1003 at ¶120–26.

Also like Queen 1989, Queen 1990 confirms that if a human FR residue is rare or unusual in humans, while the mouse residue is common (or conserved) in humans, substitute for the conserved mouse residue at that sequence position:

Criterion II: If an amino acid in the framework of the human acceptor immunoglobulin is unusual (*i.e.* "rare", which as used herein indicates an amino acid occurring at that position in no more than about 10% of human heavy (respectively light) chain V region sequences in a representative data bank), and if the donor amino acid at that position is typical for human sequences (*i.e.* "common", which as used herein indicates an amino acid occurring in at least about 25%

of sequences in a representative data bank), then the donor amino acid rather than the acceptor may be selected....

Id. at 13: 21–37. Ex. 1003 at ¶¶118, 122. Dr. Riechmann explains that "maintaining conserved residues ... is important for avoiding immunogenicity in a humanized antibody." Ex. 1003 at ¶118. However, Dr. Riechmann further explains that applying Criterion II is "not required where a consensus human acceptor antibody is used." Ex. 1003 at ¶123.

Further building on Queen 1989, Queen 1990's Criterion III suggests substituting at CDR-adjacent positions:

Criterion III: In the positions immediately adjacent to one or more of the 3 CDR's in the primary sequence of the humanized immunoglobulin chain, the donor amino acid(s) rather than acceptor amino acid may be selected. These amino acids are particularly likely to interact with the amino acids in the CDR's and, if chosen from the acceptor, to distort the donor CDR's and reduce affinity. Moreover, the adjacent amino acids may interact directly with the antigen and selecting these amino acids from the donor may be desirable to keep all the antigen contacts that provide affinity in the original antibody.

Id. at 16:1–12 (citations omitted). Kabat and Chothia identified the CDR boundaries, both in sequence and structurally. Claimed residues in the '213 patent that are "immediately adjacent" to Kabat and Chothia CDRs include **36H** and **98L**. Kabat 1987 [Ex. 1052]; Ex. 1003 at ¶161–71.

Queen 1990 placed further limitations on the molecular modeling criteria Queen 1989 established, pinpointing framework residues which come within about 3Å of a CDR atom and thus would be expected to interact with that atom:

Criterion IV: A 3-dimensional model, typically of the original donor antibody, shows that certain amino acids outside of the CDR's are close to the CDR's and have a good probability of interacting with amino acids in the CDR's by hydrogen bonding, Van der Waals forces, hydrophobic interactions, etc. At those amino acid positions, the donor amino acid rather than the acceptor immunoglobulin amino acid may be selected. Amino acids according to this criterion will generally have a side chain atom within about 3 angstrom units of some site in the CDR's and must contain atoms that could interact with the CDR atoms according to established chemical forces, such as those listed above. Computer programs to create models of proteins such as antibodies are generally available and well known to those skilled in the art.

Id. at 16:14–31. Queen 1990 further explains these "contact" residues could also be derived from other known antibody structures. *Id.* at 14:14–15:2. As the above describes, such framework residues are more likely to influence CDR/antigen interactions.

3. Protein Data Bank (PDB) Database

In 1971, the Protein Data Bank (PDB) database Queen 1990 identifies was established as "a computer archival service managed by the Brookhaven National Laboratory." *See* Ex. 1003 at ¶¶129–30, citing to Bernstein [Ex. 1080]. The PDB database and its contents is a printed publication under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b). *See In re Hall*, 781 F.2d 897, 898 (Fed. Cir. 1986) ("printed publication" includes "ongoing advances in the technologies of data storage, retrieval, and dissemination.").

The PDB database was "disseminated or otherwise made available to the extent that persons interested and ordinarily skilled in the subject matter or art, exercising reasonable diligence, can locate it and recognize and comprehend therefrom the essentials of the claimed invention without need of further research or experimentation." In re Wyer, 655 F.2d 221, 226 (C.C.P.A. 1981). In fact, "[t]he purpose of the Bank is to collect, standardize, and distribute atomic coordinates and other data from crystallographic studies." Ex. 1080 at 1; Ex. 1003 at ¶129. As an early user of the PDB database well prior to June 1991, Dr. Riechmann describes the PDB database as "a repository of protein crystal atomic co-ordinates available to the public. Those of ordinary skill in the art in 1991, including myself, relied on and contributed to the PDB database, retrieving computer-readable data that could be directly inputted into distance calculation and graphics programs for use in visualization and comparison studies." Ex. 1003 at ¶129.

Dr. Riechmann also details the organization and data uniformity of PDB entries: "The PDB entries contained in the database included verified co-ordinate information from protein crystallographers, as well as specific information regarding the entry itself." Ex. 1003 at ¶130, quoting Ex. 1080 at 3–6, describing the entry for protein ribonuclease S. Dr. Riechmann and his colleagues had free access to the PDB database in June 1991. *Id*.

In order to apply the Queen 1989/1990 instructions "to create models of proteins such as antibodies," including "known antibody structures, which are available from the *Brookhaven Protein Data Bank*" (Ex. 1050 at 16:25–36 (emphasis added)), Dr. Riechmann examined solved monoclonal antibodies and Bence-Jones proteins that were available in the PDB database prior to June 1991: HYHEL-5, KOL, NEWM, J539, 4-4-20, McPc603, HYHEL-10, 1REI and 2RHE. Ex. 1003 at ¶245–58.

As Dr. Riechmann explains, evaluation of each existing sequence and calculation of interatomic distances between each framework residue and CDR region, just as a POSA would have done, produced a list of amino acid residues in the light and/or heavy chains that correspond to the patent claims. Ex. 1003 at \$\prop_{254-58}\$.

4. **Tramontano** [Ex. 1051]

Tramontano, which published in 1990, focused on amino acid residues important in maintaining the conformation of H2, *i.e.*, CDR2 of the heavy chain. *See* Ex. 1051 at Abstract. Tramontano analyzed systematic differences in the position and main chain conformation of known antibody structures, reporting that "the major determinant of the position of H2 is the size of the residue at site 71, a site that is in the conserved framework of the VH domain." *Id.* Tramontano taught that "[u]nderstanding the relationship between the residue at position 71 and the position and conformation of H2 has applications to the prediction and engineering of antigen-binding sites of immunoglobulins," emphasizing the importance of residue **71H** in maintaining H2 (CDR2) conformation in the heavy chain. Thus, Tramontano taught targeting position **71H** if the human residue differed from the donor (mouse) antibody.

5. Kabat 1987 [Ex. 1052]

Kabat 1987 compiled known antibody sequences, derived through protein and gene sequencing, and identified the most common amino acids occurring at each position in antibody variable and constant domains grouped by class, *i.e.*, consensus sequence. Ex. 1052. Kabat provided the occurrences of the most common amino acids at each position in human kappa variable light chain subgroup I and human variable heavy chain subgroup III. *See, e.g., id.* at 8, 17. Kabat 1987 importantly disclosed, through sequence comparison and variability analysis, boundaries of antibody domains within the heavy and light chain variable domains, including FR and CDR boundaries as above-discussed. *See, e.g., id.* at 4 (horizontal lines demarcating FR1, FR2, FR3 and FR4, and CDR1, CDR2 and CDR3 boundaries).

6. Hudziak [Ex. 1021]

Hudziak published in March 1989, confirming $p185^{HER2}$'s role in carcinoma development. Ex. 1021 at Abstract. Hudziak had earlier correlated p185^{HER2} gene amplification and carcinoma development, showing high p185^{HER2} levels correlated to negative prognoses and high relapse probability; and amplifying p185^{HER2} in vitro created resistance to cytotoxic (TNF-a) treatment. Id. Hudziak "prepared monoclonal antibodies against the extracellular domain of p185^{*HER2*}..." [t]o further investigate the consequences of alteration in HER2/C-erbB-2 gene expression in mammary gland neoplasia." Ex. 1021 at 1. Hudziak chose "[o]ne monoclonal antibody (4D5)," which "was characterized in more detail and was shown to inhibit in vitro proliferation of human breast tumor cells overexpressing p185^{HER2} and, furthermore, to increase the sensitivity of these cells to the cytotoxic effects of TNF-α." Id. In SK-BR-3 breast adenocarcinoma cells growth inhibition studies, "[m]aximum inhibition was obtained with monoclonal antibody 4D5, which inhibited cellular proliferation by 56%." Id. at 5 (emphasis added). Hudziak

confirmed "the combination of TNF- α and monoclonal antibody 4D5 reduced the [listed] tumor cell number to a level below that initially plated," and "indicated the induction of a cytotoxic response." *Id.* at 6.

monoclonal antibodies" Monoclonal Relative			
antibody	proliferation		
7C2	. 79.3	±	2.2
2C4	. 79.5	±	4.4
7D3	. 83.8	±	5.5
4D5	. 44.2	±	4.4
3E8	. 66.2	±	2.4
6E9	. 98.9	±	3.6
7F3	. 62.1	±	1.4
3H4	. 66.5	±	3.9
2H11	. 92.9	+	4.8
40.1.H1	. 105.8	±	3.8
4F4	. 94.7	±	2.8

Hudziak, Table 1 [Ex. 1021 at 4]. Hudziak concluded that "[m]onoclonal antibodies specific for $p185^{HER2}$ may therefore be useful therapeutic agents for the treatment of human neoplasias, including certain mammary carcinomas, which are characterized by the overexpressing of $p185^{HER2}$." *Id.* at 7.

F. The Prior Art Renders the Challenged Claims Obvious

1. Detailed Instructions for Humanizing Antibodies Were Widely Available Before the '213 Patent Filing

As discussed, Queen 1989 [Ex. 1034] and Queen 1990 [Ex. 1050] taught an improved humanization methodology prior to June 1991, which relied on reverting select human framework residues back to mouse in order to preserve the original mouse CDRs' binding affinity. *See* Ex. 1034 at Abstract; Ex. 1050 at Abstract; Ex. 1003 at ¶¶114–26. While other techniques (chimeric antibodies and CDR grafting) were available, the field recognized that those antibodies often exhibited poor

binding or resulted in immunogenicity. *See* Ex. 1050 at 5: 30–33; Ex. 1073 at 9:12–19; Ex. 1003 at ¶¶87–92; Ex. 1004 at ¶¶33–40.

Queen 1989 and Queen 1990 addressed these issues by combining the best of both worlds: (1) human FR regions to reduce immunogenicity; with (2) restoration of binding affinity through preservation of mouse CDRs and key mouse residues in the FR that support or maintain CDR conformation. Ex. 1003 at ¶114–126; Ex. 1004 at 33–40.

Queen 1989 provided a detailed roadmap and methodology for identifying the key FR residues:

1) Use a human framework structurally closest to the non-human (mouse) monoclonal antibody or a consensus sequence; and

2) Target FR residues within the human sequence that (a) are close enough to influence CDR conformation; (b) interact directly with the antigen; and/or (c) are more 'human' in the mouse or donor immunoglobulin at the same-positioned residue in the human antibody variable domain; and convert them back to the donor residue.

Ex. 1034 at 3–4; Ex. 1003 at ¶¶120–26.

Queen 1990 expanded on Queen 1989 and explicitly instructed targeting residues which, in the original mouse antibody, possessed side chain atoms within about 3Å of the CDR residues and "could interact with the CDR atoms according to established chemical forces." Ex. 1050 at 16: 21–25.

In this way, a POSA could reasonably expect to identify the most important framework positions in any donor antibody to target for substitution. Ex. 1050 at 16:2, 14–15. Thus, by 1991, the prior art provided a detailed roadmap to optimize the humanization of non-human antibodies for therapeutic use which would "be substantially non-immunogenic and retain substantially the same affinity as the donor immunoglobulin to the antigen." *See id.* at Abstract; Ex. 1003 at ¶99–111.

G. <u>Grounds 1 and 2</u>: Claims 1, 2, 4, 12, 25, 29, 62–67 and 71–81 Are Unpatentable as Obvious Over Queen 1989 or Queen 1990, in View of the PDB Database

1. <u>Ground 1</u>: Claim 1 is Obvious Over Queen 1989, in View of the PDB Database

Claim 1 of the '213 patent is drawn to "[a] humanized antibody variable domain comprising" non-human" (*e.g.*, mouse) CDRs.

As above, Queen 1989 disclosed making "a humanized antibody variable domain" comprising "non-human CDR amino acid residues which bind an antigen incorporated into a human antibody variable domain." *See* Ex. 1034 at Abstract ("We have therefore constructed a 'humanized' antibody by combining the [CDRs] of the anti-Tac antibody with human framework and constant regions."); Ex. 1003 at ¶¶245–58.

Claim 1 "further compris[es] a [FR] amino acid substitution at a site selected from the group consisting of: 4L, 38L, 43L, 44L, 58L, 62L, 65L, 66L, 67L, 68L, 69L, 73L, 85L, 98L, 2H, 4H, 36H, 39H, 43H, 45H, 69H, 70H, 74H, and 92H, utilizing the numbering system set forth in Kabat."

Queen 1989 taught that framework residues that (1) are close enough to influence CDR conformation; (2) interact directly with the antigen; and/or (3) are more 'human' in the mouse or donor immunoglobulin than the residue at the same position in human antibody variable domain (*i.e.*, conserved) are candidates for substitution with the donor antibody residue in the humanization process. Ex. 1034 at 3–4; Ex. 1003 at ¶247. A POSA would have used those simple rules to determine which residues in a human FR region could be switched back to mouse. Ex. 1003 at ¶247–50. Queen 1989 did exactly this for the anti-Tac antibody, using programs to compare known antibody structures to show that "a number of amino acid residues are in fact close enough to [CDRs] to either influence their conformation or interact directly with antigen." Ex. 1034 at 3; Ex. 1003 at ¶249. Queen 1989 substituted these framework positions with the mouse residue. Ex. 1034 at 3; Ex. 1003 at ¶249. Queen 1989 taught that such steps "may have wider applicability" to humanize other antibodies. Ex. 1034 at 5; Ex. 1003 at ¶117.

Celltrion's expert Dr. Riechmann applied similar methodology prior to 1991, identifying important sequences in the binding and framework regions that positioned the CDRs in three-dimensional space. Ex. 1003 at ¶¶31, 93, 94-98. Dr. Riechmann concluded that "the need to reduce immunogenicity drove the humanization of all non-human antibodies" in the early 1990s. *Id.* at ¶90.

Many private and public research institutions, including Genzyme Corporation (*see, e.g.*, Ex. 1071), Protein Design Labs (*see, e.g.*, Ex. 1050), the National Institutes of Health (*see, e.g.*, Ex. 1073), and the Winter Lab, where Dr. Riechmann worked for many years (*see, e.g.*, Ex. 1069), were very active in the field of humanization as of June 1991. Ex. 1003 at ¶94. In fact, the first International Business Communications (IBC) Conference on Antibody Engineering in San Diego, showcasing the latest humanization technology, began in December 1990, and continues to the present.

These early conferences show that POSAs in the field were applying the precise methodology described in Queen 1989. Using publicly available tools, POSAs like Dr. Eduardo Padlan from the National Institutes of Health performed the methods taught in Queen 1989 "[i]n order to ensure the preservation of antigenbinding properties, when an antibody is 'humanized' by CDR-grafting, *all the framework residues, that could influence the structure of its combining site, must be retained.*" Ex. 1120 (emphasis added). This included the publicly available Protein Data Bank (PDB) database (§V.E.3, *supra*), as well as computer programs (either commercially purchased or created) to measure interatomic distances and create three-dimensional graphical models. Using these tools, a POSA engaged in antibody humanization would have followed Queen 1989's guidance to identify the FR residues close enough to influence CDR conformation or interact directly with the antigen. Moreover, where the acceptor and donor sequences are known, a residue-by-residue comparison of the human FR region sequences against the mouse donor sequence would also reveal whether there are unusual residues in the human FR that should be substituted to a common or conserved residue if present in the mouse donor. Ex. 1034 at 3–4; Ex. 1003 at ¶¶114–26.

Dr. Riechmann confirmed that the same exercise Queen 1989 taught on antibody structures known and publicly available prior to 1991 through the PDB database would have resulted in the substitutions recited in claim 1 of the '213 patent. *See* Ex. 1003 at ¶1245–58. Dr. Riechmann reviewed the atomic coordinates of each of the known and available solved antibody structures in the PDB prior to 1991 (*i.e.*, HYHEL-5, KOL, NEWM, J539, MCPC603, 4-4-20, HYHEL-10, 1REI and 2RHE), which contained distance calculations between framework and CDR amino acid residues. *Id.* at ¶1226–27. Dr. Riechmann also reviewed the determination the interatomic (Euclidean) distances between the atom pairs of the framework residue and the CDR residues, the determination of which was considered routine as of 1991. *Id.* at ¶1254, Ex. 1003C at 649-770 (Riechmann Exhibit M (interatomic distance calculations)). As would have been understood by a POSA in view of Queen 1989 (*see* Ex. 1003 at ¶254), Dr. Riechmann confirmed the identification of which framework residue side chains were in contact with the CDRs. *See* Ex. 1003 at ¶¶245–58, Ex. 1003C at 649-770, 776-77 (Riechmann Exhibits M and O).

Dr. Riechmann confirmed the alignment of the primary amino acid sequence of each of the pre-1991 antibody structures above according to the Kabat numbering system following the teaching of Queen 1989 (see Ex. 1003C at 771-75 (Riechmann Exhibit N)), and confirmed the identification of contact residues that were targets for substitution. See Ex. 1034 at 3-4 and Figure 3; Ex. 1003 at ¶254–58, Ex. 1003C at 649-775 (Riechmann Exhibits M and N). When compared to the list of residues recited in claim 1, Dr. Riechmann found that 8 light (L) chain (4L, 58L, 62L, 66L, 67L, 73L), 85L, 85L and 105L and 11 heavy (H) chain residues (2H, 24H, 39H, 45H, 69H, 71H, 73H, 76H, 78H, 93H and 103H) were readily identified as in contact with CDRs, according to the numbering system of Kabat 1987 [Ex. 1052]. See Ex. 1003 at ¶256; Ex. 1003C at 649-777 (Riechmann Exhibits M (interatomic distance calculations), N (antibody alignment), and O (contact summary)). Of these, claim 1 includes residues 4L, 58L, 66L, 67L, 69L, 73L, 2H, 45H and 69H. See Ex. 1003 at ¶258. Dr. Riechmann thus identified at least 9 claimed residues a POSA would have had on a list of substitutable residues following the detailed Queen 1989 roadmap.

The '213 patentees followed Queen's roadmap practically to a T. The specification states the purported invention involved obtaining a donor antibody and a consensus sequence (Ex. 1001 at 4:47–49); importing CDRs from the donor into the consensus (4:50–54); identifying any residues in the framework that differ (*id.* at 4:59-61); determining whether the residue where the difference lies is involved in CDR interaction and/or antigen binding (*id.* at 4:62–67); and if so, substituting in the donor residue (mouse) for the human residue (*id.* at 5:1–5). In other words, they predictably identified residues already ripe for substitution by following the roadmap of Queen 1989.

The specification reveals further evidence that all the '213 patentees did was follow the teachings of Queen 1989 and 1990:

- "Step 1 ... crystal structures from the Brookhaven Protein Data Bank were used..." (Ex. 1001 at 16:30–32);
- "Step 2 ... the structures were superimposed on one another using the INSIGHT computer program..." (*id.* at 17:15–19);
- "[m]odels of a humanized, import or human antibody sequence are used ... to show residues which may be important in antigen binding, or for maintaining the conformation of the antibody..." (*id.* at 19:58–64).

Given the teachings in Queen 1989 and the readily-available structures on the PDB database, a POSA would have been motivated and would have had a reasonable expectation of success in humanizing an antibody with a framework residue substitution at least at **4L**, **58L**, **66L**, **67L**, **69L**, **73L**, **2H**, **45H** and **69H**. The '213 patent does not provide any evidence that the particular residues recited in the claim are more important or critical to the claimed invention than others recited in the prior art. Queen 1989 also provided additional motivation to "reduce immunogenicity while retaining high binding affinity" in the original non-human (*e.g.*, murine) monoclonal antibody. Ex. 1034 at 1; Ex. 1003 at ¶258. For these reasons, claim 1 is obvious over Queen 1989 and the PDB database.

2. <u>Ground 2</u>: Claim 1 is Obvious over Queen 1990, in view of the PDB Database

Queen 1990 also disclosed making "a humanized antibody variable domain" comprising "non-human CDR amino acid residues which bind an antigen incorporated into a human antibody variable domain," stating that they have "[n]ovel methods for designing humanized immunoglobulins having one or more [CDRs] from a donor immunoglobulin and a framework region from a human immunoglobulin." Ex. 1050 at Abstract; Ex. 1003 at ¶120–26, 259. Queen 1990 thus encompassed a human antibody variable domain comprising CDRs from a mouse (donor) monoclonal antibody.

Queen 1990 provides detailed criteria to identify substitutable framework region positions that are adjacent to or can contact the CDRs (Criterion III (*i.e.*, CDR-adjacent) and Criterion IV (*i.e.*, within 3Å of a CDR)). Ex. 1050 at 16:1–36; Ex. 1003 at ¶259–60. Queen 1990 also disclosed detailed information for decreasing immunogenicity by maintaining conserved residues in the human acceptor framework (Criterion II (*i.e.*, conserved or rare)). Ex. 1050 at 15:22–37; Ex. 1003 at ¶123 (adopting definition of >90% conservation of residue according to Kabat 1987 as a target for substitution).

Queen 1990 thus provided a detailed rationale for substituting particular amino acids, and *how* to do it in a detailed and objective way. Queen 1990 explicitly instructed a POSA to look to the "Brookhaven Protein Data Bank" (*i.e.*, the PDB database; Ex. 1003 at ¶120–26) to identify the framework residues that: "could interact with the CDR atoms" (Criterion IV; Ex. 1050 at 14:21–25); were conserved (Criterion II; *id.* at 15:22–37); or were adjacent to CDRs (Criterion III; *id.* at 16:1–12). Ex. 1003 at ¶120–26, 259–60. A POSA following this roadmap would have quickly determined that <u>19</u> light (L) chain ((4L, 58L, 62L, 66L, 67L, 73L, 85L and 105L (CDR contact residues) and 23L, 25L, 33L, 35L, 49L, 53L, 57L, 88L, 90L, 97L, 98L) (Kabat and Chothia adjacent residues)) and <u>23</u> heavy (H) chain residues (2H, 24H, 39H, 45H, 69H, 71H, 73H, 76H, 78H, 93H and 103H) (CDR contact residues) and 25H, 30H, 33H, 36H, 49H, 52H, 56H, 66H, 94H, 95H, 102H and 103H (Kabat and Chothia adjacent residues)), including claim 1 positions **4L**, **58L**, **66L**, **67L**, **69L**, **73L**, **2H**, **36H**, **45H** and **69H**, as well as adjacent residues **98L** and **36H**, meet these requirements. *See* §V.G.1, *supra;* Ex. 1003 at ¶164–65, 259–60, Ex. 1003C at 8-9, 649-777 (Riechmann Exhibits C (adjacent residues), M (interatomic distance calculations), N (alignment) and O (contact summary)). The '213 patent does not provide any evidence that the particular residues recited in the claim are more important or critical to the claimed invention than others recited in the prior art.

As will be discussed in detail below, challenged dependent claims 2, 4, 12 and 29 are also obvious. These arguments are summarized in the claim chart below:

'213 Patent Claim	GROUND 1: Queen	<i>GROUND 2:</i> Queen 1990 +
	1989 + PDB Database	PDB Database
Claim 2 recites:	"When these residues	" substitutions of a human
"wherein the	differ between the anti-	framework amino acid of the
substituted residue is	Tac and Eu antibodies,	acceptor (human)
the residue found at the	the residue in the	immunoglobulin with a
corresponding location	humanized antibody was	corresponding amino acid from
of the non-human	chosen to be	a donor (non-human)
antibody from which	[mouse]rather than	immunoglobulin will be made
the non-human CDR	[human]." Ex. 1034 at 3;	at positions." Ex. 1050 at 7:36–
amino acid residues are	Ex. 1003 at ¶261–62.	8:2; Ex. 1003 at ¶¶261–62.
obtained."		
Claim 4 recites:		"As acceptor use a consensus
"wherein the human		framework from many human
antibody variable		antibodies." Ex. 1050 at 14:17-
domain is a consensus		

'213 Patent Claim	<i>GROUND 1:</i> Queen 1989 + PDB Database	<i>GROUND 2:</i> Queen 1990 + PDB Database
human variable domain"		20; Ex. 1003 at ¶263.
Claim 12 recites: "wherein the residue at site 66L has been substituted."	See claim 1 and Ex. 1003C at 649-770, 776-77 (Riechmann Exhibits M and O (66L substitutable as a conserved residue and in contact with CDR)) and ¶261–62.	See claim 1 and Ex. 1003C at 649-770, 776-77 (Riechmann Exhibits M and O (66L substitutable as a conserved residue and in contact with CDR - Queen 1990 Criteria IV)) and ¶¶261–62
Claim 25 recites: "wherein the residue at site 69H has been substituted."	See claim 1 and Ex. 1003 at 649-770, 776-77 (Riechmann Exhibits M and O (69H substitutable as a conserved residue and in contact with CDR)) and ¶261–62.	See claim 1 and Ex. 1003 at 649-770, 776-77 (Riechmann Exhibits M and O (69H substitutable as a conserved residue and in contact with CDR - Queen 1990 Criteria IV)) and ¶¶261–62
Claim 29 recites: "An antibody comprising the humanized variable domain of claim 1."	"The CDRs in the humanized antibody were of course chosen to be identical to the anti-Tac CDRs." Ex. 1034 at 2; Ex.1003 at ¶262–63.	"When combined into an intact antibody, the humanized light and heavy chains of the present invention will be substantially non-immunogenic in humans and retain substantially the same affinity as the donor immuno-globulin" Ex. 1050 at 8:21–26; Ex. 1003 at ¶261– 62

3. <u>Grounds 1 and 2</u>: Dependent Claims 2, 12, 25 and 29 Are Obvious Over Queen 1989 and the PDB Database or Queen 1990 and the PDB Database

Claims 2, 12, 25 and 29 are also obvious in view of either Queen 1989 or

Queen 1990 when applied to pre-1991 structures on the PDB Database. Ex. 1003

at ¶261. Queen 1989 and Queen 1990 disclosed the additional recitations of claim 2 ("substitutions of a human framework amino acid of the acceptor (*i.e.*, human) immunoglobulin with a corresponding amino acid from a donor (*i.e.*, non-human) immunoglobulin"; see Queen 1989 at 3 (selecting human antibody "to provide the variable domain framework for the humanized anti-Tac antibody"); Queen 1990 at 7:36–8, claim 12 (see Ex. 1003 at ¶¶245–62, supra (framework residue 66L within 3 Å of CDR), claim 25 (69H substitutable as a conserved residue and in contact with CDR; see Ex. 1003 at ¶245–62, supra) and claim 29 Queen 1989 [Ex. 1034] at 3] ("The CDRs in the humanized antibody were of course chosen to be identical to the anti-Tac CDRs."); Queen 1990 [Ex. 1050] at 6:21-25 ("mouse complementarity determining regions...can be used to produce human-like antibodies..."). Ex. 1003 at ¶262. Both provide express motivation to evaluate proteins in the PDB. Ex. 1003 at ¶245-62. Claims 2, 12, 25 and 29 of the '213 patent are thus obvious over Queen 1989 or Queen 1990, in view of known antibody structures available on the PDB database.

4. <u>Ground 2</u>: Dependent Claim 4 Is Obvious in View of Queen 1990 and PDB Database

Claim 4 depends from claim 1 and further requires the use of a "consensus human variable domain." As discussed above, claim 1 is obvious. *See* §V.G.1 and 2 *supra*. Queen 1990 disclosed "us[ing] a consensus framework from many human antibodies". *See* Ex. 1050 at 14:19–20; Ex. 1003 at ¶263. Accordingly, claim 4 is

also obvious over Queen 1990, in view of known antibody structures available on the PDB database.

5. <u>Grounds 1, 2</u>: Independent Claims 62–64 and 66 Are Obvious Over Queen 1989 or Queen 1990 and PDB Database

Claim 62: As discussed *supra* (§V.B.1), independent claim 62 is nearly identical to claim 1, but adds that the human variable domain is a "consensus human variable domain." For the same reasons as for claims 1 and 4, claim 62 is also obvious. Queen 1990, discussed above, teaches substituting amino acid residues that contact or interact with a CDR, or are conserved. A POSA following Queen 1990's criteria would have readily identified at least claimed residues **4L**, **58L**, **66L**, **67L**, **73L**, **2H**, **36H**, **45H** and **69H**. *See* §§V.G.1 and 2 *supra;* Ex. 1003 at ¶¶259–60. Queen 1990 also explicitly teaches using a "consensus human variable domain" in the humanization process. Ex. 1050 at 14:17–20; Ex. 1003 at ¶¶121, 264. Thus, like claim 1, claim 62 is obvious over Queen 1990 and the PDB database.

Claim 63: Independent claim 63 differs from claim 1 by further reciting that the claimed antibody "lacks immunogenicity compared to a non-human parent antibody upon repeated administration to a human patient in order to treat a chronic disease in that patient." Since it merely states the intended result of the claimed composition, this is not a limitation of the claims. *Bristol-Myers Squibb*

Co. v. BenVenue Labs, Inc., 246 F.3d 1368, 1375-76 (Fed. Cir. 2001). Nonetheless, this is the goal of all monoclonal antibody humanization projects, including that of Queen 1989 and Queen 1990, which disclosed humanized immunoglobulins that "will be substantially non-immunogenic in humans..." Ex. 1034 at 1; Ex. 1050 at Abstract; Ex. 1003 at ¶265–66. Accordingly, as for claim 1 above (§§V.G.1 and 2), claim 63 is obvious over Queen 1989 or Queen 1990 in view of the PDB database. Ex. 1003 at ¶265–66.

Claim 64: Independent claim 64 recites a "humanized variant of a nonhuman parent antibody which binds an antigen;" recites non-human CDRs; and rather than require specific framework residue substitutions (*cf.* claims 1, 62, 63), recites *functional* elements: "(a) noncovalently binds antigen directly; (b) interacts with a CDR; (c) introduces a glycosylation site which affects the antigen binding or affinity of the antibody; or (d) participates in the V_L - V_H interface by affecting the proximity or orientation of the V_L and V_H regions with respect to one another."

Listing the properties of obvious compositions does not render "the old composition patentably new to the discoverer." *Atlas Powder Co. v. Ireco Inc.,* 190 F.3d 1342, 1347 (Fed. Cir. 1999). Such elements reflect inherent humanized antibody properties; even so, Queen 1990 explicitly states that amino acids "immediately adjacent" to the CDRs "are <u>particularly likely to interact with the amino acids in the CDR's</u> and, if chosen from the acceptor, distort the donor

CDR's and reduce affinity. Moreover, the <u>adjacent amino acids may interact</u> <u>directly with the antigen</u>." Ex. 1050 at 16:1–12 (emphasis added); Ex. 1003 at ¶¶268–69. This teaches at least limitations (a) and (b). Queen 1990 disclosed humanized antibodies which bind an antigen and comprise a human variable domain with a "consensus framework from many human antibodies." *See* §V.G.4 *supra;* Ex. 1003 at ¶¶267–70. Queen 1990, given the PDB database, renders claim 64 obvious.

Claim 66: Independent claim 66 is similar to claim 1, but its residue list is "selected from the group consisting of 24H, 73H, 76H, 78H and 93H" under Kabat's numbering system. Queen 1989 and Queen 1990 teach residues that are substitutable in a human FR region by identifying amino acid positions that: 1) contact a CDR; or 2) are adjacent to a CDR. See §§V.G.1 and 2; Ex. 1003 at ¶272–73. As discussed above, given the Queen 1989 and Queen 1990 disclosures teaching computer modeling and comparison with known antibody structures from the PDB database, a POSA would have readily recognized that framework positions at 24H, 73H, 76H, 78H, and 93H satisfy Queen's criteria. See Ex. 1003 at ¶¶271–75, Ex. 1003C at 649-770, 776-77 (Riechmann Exhibits M (interatomic distance calculations), and O (Contacts Summary)). The '213 patent does not provide any evidence that the particular residues recited in the claim are more important or critical to the claimed invention than others recited in the prior art.

Claim 66 is thus also obvious over Queen 1989 or Queen 1990 and the PDB database.

213 Patent Claim GROUND 2: Queen 1990 + PDB Database Claim 62 recites: "A humanized antibody See discussion of claim 1 for "humanized antibody variable variable domain comprising non-human [CDR] amino acid residues which bind an domain comprising non-human ... antigen incorporated into a consensus human CDR; and claimed substituted variable domain, and further comprising an amino acids 4L, 58L, 66L, 67L, amino acid substitution at a site selected from 73L, 2H, 36H, 45H and 69H; the group consisting of: 4L, 38L, 43L, 44L, §§V.G.1 and 2, *supra*. See also Ex. 1050 at 14:17–20 ("As acceptor ... 46L, 58L, 62L, 65L, 66L, 67L, 68L, 69L, 73L, 85L, 98L, 2H, 4H, 36H, 39H, 43H, 45H, use a consensus framework from many human antibodies."); Ex. 69H, 70H, 74H, 75H, 76H, 78H and 92H, utilizing the numbering system set forth in 1003 at ¶264. Kabat." Claim 63 recites: "A humanized antibody See discussion of claims 1 and 29 for "humanized antibody" which lacks immunogenicity compared to a non-human parent antibody upon repeated comprising non-human ... CDR; administration to a human patient in order to and claimed substituted amino treat a chronic disease in that patient, wherein acids 4L, 58L, 66L, 67L, 73L, 2H, the humanized antibody comprises non-36H, 45H and 69H. §§V.G.2 and 3, human [CDR] amino acid residues which bind *supra*. See Ex. 1050 at Abstract an antigen incorporated into a human ("the humanized immunoglobulins antibody variable domain, and further of the present invention will be substantially non-immunogenic in comprises an amino acid substitution at a site selected from the group consisting of: 4L, humans and retain substantially the 38L, 43L, 44L, 46L, 58L, 62L, 65L, 66L, same affinity as the donor 67L, 68L, 69L, 73L, 85L, 98L, 2H, 4H, 36H, immunoglobulin to the antigen."); 39H, 43H, 45H, 69H, 70H, 74H, 75H, 76H, Ex. 1003 at ¶¶265–66. 78H and 92H, utilizing the numbering system set forth in Kabat" Claim 64 recites: "A humanized variant of a See discussion of claim 1 for

The obviousness of claims 62-64 and 66 is summarized in the chart below.

'213 Patent Claim	<i>GROUND 2:</i> Queen 1990 + PDB Database
non-human parent antibody which binds an antigen and comprises a human variable domain comprising the most frequently occurring amino acid residues at each location in all human immunoglobulins of a human heavy chain immunoglobulin subgroup wherein amino acid residues forming [CDRs] thereof comprise non-human antibody amino acid residues, and further comprises a [FR] substitution where the substituted FR residue: (a) noncovalently binds antigen directly; (b) interacts with a CDR; (c) introduces a glycosylation site which affects the antigen binding or affinity of the antibody; or (d) participates in the VL-VH interface by affecting the proximity or orientation of the VL and VH regions with respect to one another."	"humanized antibody variable domain comprising non-human CDR; §§V.G.1 and 2, <i>supra</i> , Ex. 1003 at ¶¶267–70. <i>See also</i> for "comprising the most frequently occurring amino acid residues at each location in all human immunoglobulins" Ex. 1050 at 14:17–20 ("As acceptor use a consensus framework from many human antibodies."). For functional limitations (a), (b) and (c), <i>see</i> Ex. 1050 at 16:4–12 ("These amino acids are particularly likely to interact with the amino acids in the CDR's [and] interact directly with the antigen.").
Claim 66 recites : "A humanized antibody heavy chain variable domain comprising non- human [CDR] amino acid residues which bind antigen incorporated into a human antibody variable domain, and further comprising a [FR] amino acid substitution at a site selected from the group consisting of: 24H, 73H, 76H, 78H, and 93H, utilizing the numbering system set forth in Kabat"	CDR; and claimed substituted amino acids. §§V.G.1 and 2, <i>supra</i> . <i>See also</i> Ex. 1003 at ¶¶271–75 and Ex. 1003C at 649-770, 776-77

6. <u>Grounds 1, 2</u>: Dependent Claims 67, 71–74 and 78 Are Obvious Given Queen 1989 or Queen 1990 and PDB Database

Dependent claims 67, 71-74 and 78 depend from claim 66, and further recite

"wherein the substituted residue is the residue found at the corresponding location

of the non-human antibody from which the non-human CDR amino acid residues are obtained" (claim 67), "wherein the residue at site 73H has been substituted" (claim 71), "wherein the residue at site 76H has been substituted" (claim 72), "wherein the residue at site 78H has been substituted" (claim 73), "wherein the residue at site 93H has been substituted" (claim 74) and "[a]n antibody comprising the humanized variable domain of claim 66" (claim 78). Each of residues 73H, 76H, 78H and 93H are CDR contact residues as disclosed by Queen 1989 [Ex. 1034] and Queen 1990 [Ex. 1050] in view of the PDB Database,⁵ and thus would have been prime candidates for reverting to the mouse residue in any humanization project. See §§V.G.1 and 2, supra; Ex. 1003 at ¶¶271–76, Ex. 1003C at 776-77 (Riechmann Exhibit O). Furthermore, the '213 patent does not provide any evidence that the particular residues recited in the claims are more important or critical to the claimed invention than others recited in the prior art. Moreover, like claims 2 and 29, which include claims 67 and 78's comparable limitations, respectively, these claims are also obvious. See §V.G.3; Ex. 1003 at ¶261-62.

⁵ Dr. Riechmann points to antibody 4-4-20 (available in 1989) with a cluster of close (<3.0Å) contacts at 73H, 78H and 93H, emphasizing the relative importance of these residues for maintaining antibody conformation. Ex. 1003 at ¶273.</p>

Claims 67, 71–74 and 78 are thus also obvious over Queen 1989 or Queen 1990, in view of known antibody structures available on the PDB database.

7. <u>Grounds 1, 2</u>: Dependent Claims 75–77 and 79 Are Obvious in View of Queen 1989 or Queen 1990 and PDB Database

Claim 75 depends from independent claim 66, and recites a humanized variable domain "which further comprises an amino acid substitution at site 71H." Queen 1989 and Queen 1990 teach substituting framework residues that: 1) contact a CDR; or 2) are adjacent to a CDR. *See* §§V.G.1 and 2; Ex. 1003 at ¶280. Moreover, based on Queen 1989 and Queen 1990's teachings of computer modeling and comparison with known antibody structures from, *e.g.*, the PDB database (*see* Ex. 1050 at 16 (Criterion IV)), Ex. 1003 at ¶120–26, a POSA would have readily identified FR position **71H** as such a CDR-contact amino acid residue. *See* Ex. 1003 at ¶280, 248, Ex. 1003C at 649-770, 776-77 (Riechmann Exhibits M (interatomic distance calculations) and O (contact summary)). Accordingly, claim 75 is also obvious over Queen 1989 or Queen 1990, given known antibody structures available in the PDB database. Ex. 1003 at ¶280.

Claims 76–77 depend from independent claim 66 and recite the additional limitations of "amino acid substitutions at sites 71H and 73H" (Claim 76) and "amino acid substitutions at sites 71H, 73H and 78H" (Claim 77). Claim 79 is an independent claim, and recites "[a] humanized variant of a non-human parent antibody which binds an antigen, wherein the humanized variant comprises [CDR]

amino acid residues of the non-human parent antibody incorporated into a human antibody variable domain, and further comprises [FR] substitutions at heavy chain positions 71H, 73H, 78H and 93H" using Kabat's numbering system.

As noted above, each of residues **71H**, **73H**, **78H** and **93H** are among those disclosed by Queen 1989 [Ex. 1034] and Queen 1990 [Ex. 1050] in view of the PDB database, that would have been targeted for substitution. *See* §§V.G.1 and 2, *supra*; Ex. 1003 at ¶245–60, Ex. 1003C at 649-770, 776-77 (Riechmann Exhibits M (interatomic distance calculations) and O (contact summary)). This limited list of substitutable residues alone teaches a POSA towards the claimed "amino acid substitutions at sites 71H and 73H" of claim 76, "amino acid substitutions at sites 71H, 73H and 78H" of claim 77 and "substitutions at heavy chain positions 71H, 73H, 78H and 93H," given the limited set of residues already targeted for substitution. Ex. 1003 at ¶283–94. This renders obvious residue 71H (claim 75), 71H and 73H (claim 76), 71H, 73H and 78H (claim 77) and 71H, 73H, 78H and 93H (claim 76).

The substitutability of residues 71H, 73H, 78H and 93H would not have been surprising or unexpected. The importance of heavy chain residue 71H was well-known by those in the field, including patentees. *See* Ex. 1001 at 3:1–8 (recognizing framework residues that "critically affect[] the conformation of particular CDRs and thus their contribution to antigen binding," citing to Tramontano [included as Ex. 1051]); Ex. 1003 at ¶¶280–81. Dr. Riechmann also cites to antibody 4–4–20 (4Fab), having a cluster of close contacts (less than 3Å) at 73H, 78H and 93H, which "emphasizes the relative importance of these contacts made . . . in maintaining antibody conformation." Ex. 1003 at ¶273.

Moreover, the typical scenario to a POSA was that more than one framework substitution was often needed to restore function and antigen binding of the resultant humanized antibody. Ex. 1003 at ¶288. This is exemplified in Queen 1989 and Queen 1990, which both describe humanizing antibodies with multiple FR substitutions. Specifically, Queen 1989 taught 15 mouse substitutions at positions 48L, 60L, 63L, 27H, 30H, 48H, 66H, 67H, 89H, 91H, 94H, 103H, 104H, 105H and 107H. *See* Ex. 1034 at 3, Fig. 2; Ex. 1003 at ¶288. Similarly, Queen 1990 states that the Queen CDR-contact criterion can be "used singly," or when necessary in combination with other criteria to "achieve the desired affinity or other characteristics." *See* Ex. 1050 at 12:13–15; Ex. 1003 at ¶288.

Further, a substitution's value can be further limited given the antibody sequence itself. For example, as Dr. Riechmann explains, and as the patentee did when it compared mouse monoclonal antibody 4D5 sequence⁶ and a human

⁶ Monoclonal antibody 4D5 was made available for use by outside investigators prior to June 1991, *see, e.g.*, Kumar [Ex. 1088]; Soomro [Ex. 1089], allowing a POSA to obtain the amino acid sequence of the variable domain through routine

consensus amino acid sequence from Figures 1A and 1B in the '213 patent, *see* Ex. 1001 at 7–8, and using the knowledge readily derived from the PDB database and the Queen references, a POSA would have quickly arrived at a short list of light and heavy chain amino acid residues that were substitution candidates for humanization: **66L**, **71H**, **73H**, **76H**, **78H**, **93H**, and VL:VH contacts **43L**, **73L**, **85L and 43H**, all of which are claimed in the '213 patent. *See* Ex. 1003 at ¶¶292–93, Ex. 1003C at 649-77 (Riechmann Exhibits M-O).

Applying Queen Criterion IV, a POSA would have thus targeted claimed residues **71H**, **73H**, **78H** and **93H** given their differences in size and/or characteristics. *See, e.g.*, Ex. 1003 at ¶292 (71H); ¶294 (73H (polar to charged: aspartic acid in human acceptor vs. threonine in mouse 4D5)); ¶293 (78H (small to large: leucine in human acceptor vs. alanine in mouse 4D5)); ¶293 (93H (polar to hydrophobic: alanine in human acceptor vs. serine in mouse 4D5)). Thus, a POSA in view of Queen 1989 or Queen 1990 and known available antibody structures on the PDB database, would have been motivated to substitute framework residues at least at **71H**, **73H**, **78H** and **93H** (*i.e.*, claims 75, 76, 77 and 79) for the protein sequencing. *See, e.g.*, Wilson & Goulding [Ex. 1090]; Ex. 1003 at n.20. In fact, many sequences present in the Kabat database (Kabat 1987 [Ex. 1052])

were obtained through routine protein sequencing. Ex. 1003 at n.20, citing to Edelman [Ex. 1091]; Capra and Kehoe [Ex. 1092].

humanization of mouse 4D5 using a human consensus sequence as the acceptor antibody. *See* Ex. 1050 at 14:19–20; Ex. 1003 at ¶¶283–94. A POSA would have had a reasonable expectation of success given the teachings of Queen 1989 and Queen 1990 that the resultant humanized antibody would be "substantially nonimmunogenic in humans and retain substantially the same affinity as the donor immunoglobulin" Ex. 1050 at Abstract; Ex. 1003 at ¶¶265–66. Claims 75– 77 and 79 thus would have been obvious in view of Queen 1989 or Queen 1990, and the PDB database.

8. <u>Grounds 1 and 2</u>: Dependent Claim 65 Is Obvious in View of Queen 1989 or Queen 1990 and the PDB Database

Claim 65 depends from 63 and further recites that the humanized variant "binds the antigen up to 3-fold more in the binding affinity than the parent antibody binds antigen." The broadest reasonable interpretation of this limitation includes any increase in binding affinity "up to" the upper limit of "3-fold more," *i.e.,* any amount greater than 1-fold (*i.e.,* the parent binding affinity) and "up to 3-fold more." §V.D, *supra*; Ex. 1003 at ¶¶296–300. As simply a statement of the intended result of the claimed composition, this should not be a limitation of the claims. *Bristol-Myers Squibb*, 246 F.3d at 1375-76.

Assuming the "up to 3-fold more" term is a limitation to the claims, claim 65 is taught by Queen 1990, which states "affinity levels can vary . . . and may be *within about 4 fold* of the donor immunoglobulin's original affinity to the antigen."

See Ex. 1050 at 8:21–26 (emphasis added). Queen 1990 thus explicitly disclosed the "up to 3-fold" limitation. Ex. 1003 at ¶296.

Moreover, as explained by Dr. Riechmann, "In my experience there was the expectation when humanizing antibodies . . . that a similar affinity, *e.g.*, the same, slightly better, or slightly worse, would be obtained as compared to the parent (mouse) antibody. Thus, it would nothave been surprising that a small improvement in affinity would be achieved in some cases." Ex. 1003 at ¶298. Thus any increase in affinity, including small and moderate increases incorporated within the scope of the claim, would have been expected, in view of Queen 1989 and Queen 1990. Ex. 1050 at 8:26–28; Ex. 1003 at ¶296–300. For these reasons, claim 65 is also obvious over Queen 1989 or Queen 1990 and the PDB database.

9. <u>Grounds 1, 2</u>: Independent Claim 80 and Dependent Claim 81 Are Obvious in View of Queen 1989 or Queen 1990 and PDB Database

<u>Claim 80</u>: Independent claim 80 recites "[a] humanized antibody variable domain comprising non-human [CDR] amino acid residues which bind an antigen incorporated into a human antibody variable domain, and further comprising a [FR] amino acid substitution," and further requires that the "substituted FR residue: (a) noncovalently binds antigen directly; (b) interacts with a CDR; or (c) participates in the VL -VH interface by affecting the proximity or orientation of the VL and VH regions with respect to one another...," while reciting a set of FR residues which differ from claim 1 only by *adding* amino acid residues 73H, 76H, 78H and 93H to the list. As with claims 63 and 66, residues **4L**, **58L**, **66L**, **67L**, **73L**, **2H**, **24H**, **36H**, **45H**, **69H**, **73H**, **76H**, **78H** and **93H** were readily identifiable as substitutable residues that interact with a CDR. *See* §V.G.5, *supra;* Ex. 1003 at ¶¶301–05, Ex. 1003C at 649-770, 776-77 (Riechmann Exhibits M and O). Therefore, like claim 1, claim 80 would have been obvious.

<u>Claim 81</u>: Claim 81 depends on claim 80, and further recites "wherein the substituted residue is the residue found at the corresponding location of the non-human antibody from which the non-human CDR amino acid residues are obtained." This is taught by Queen 1989 and Queen 1990. *See* Ex. 1034 at 3 ("selecting human antibody to provide the variable region framework for the humanized anti-Tac antibody"); Ex. 1050 at 7:36–8, Ex. 1003 at ¶306. Thus, claim 81 is obvious over Queen 1989 or Queen 1990, in view of the PDB database.

H. <u>Grounds 3 and 4</u>: Claims 75–77, 79 and 65 Are Unpatentable As Obvious over Queen 1989 or Queen 1990 and PDB Database and Further in View of Tramontano.

While the teachings of Queen 1989 and Queen 1990 in view of the PDB database would have highlighted residue **71H** as a prime substitution candidate based on its CDR contacts, independent work also emphasized the importance of residue **71H** in maintaining CDR conformation. As Dr. Riechmann explains, a POSA would have been motivated to look in the literature to identify potential

framework residues. Ex. 1003 at ¶¶28-31. Specifically, Tramontano definitively demonstrated the importance of framework residue **71H** to maintain the H2 loop and antigen binding. *See* Tramontano [Ex. 1051]. This publication was the first to report that "the major determinant of the position of H2 is the size of the residue at site 71, a site that is in the conserved framework of the V_H domain. *It is likely that for about two thirds of the known V_H sequences the size of the residue at this site is also a major determinant of the conformation of H2." <i>Id.* at Abstract. The publication also confirmed Queen's teachings that residues outside of the CDR and in the FR help maintain CDR conformation, and antigen binding.

The humanization process established by Queen 1989 [Ex. 1034] and Queen 1990 [Ex. 1050], and other references, including Tramontano's work, definitively demonstrated the importance of framework residue **71H**. *See* Ex. 1051 at Abstract; Ex. 1003 at ¶¶131–32, 280–81. This would have motivated a POSA to switch the human residue at position **71H** to the mouse residue in order to preserve the conformation of the H2 CDR loop. *See* Tramontano [Ex. 1051]; Ex. 1003 at ¶¶281–94. Thus, together with Queen 1989 or Queen 1990 and the PDB database, and for the same reasons above with regards to the obviousness of claims 75–77 and 79, §§V.G.7 *supra*, these claims are further rendered obvious in combination with Tramontano [Ex. 1051]. Ex. 1003 at ¶¶281–94.

Claim 65 depends from 79 and as discussed above, would have been obvious in view of Queen 1989 and Queen 1990. *See* §V.G.8, *supra*. For these reasons, claim 65 is also obvious over Queen 1989 or Queen 1990 and the PDB database, and further rendered obvious in combination with Tramontano.

I. <u>Ground 5:</u> Claims 4, 62, 64 and 69 are obvious in view of Queen 1989 and the PDB database, and further in view of Kabat 1987

Claims 4, 62, 64 and 69 are also obvious over Queen 1989 and the PDB database in view of Kabat 1987. See Ex. 1003 at ¶¶307–16. As Dr. Riechmann explains, the '213 patent's claiming a "consensus" sequence is somewhat misleading because the framework region sequences "are relatively conserved . . . with respect to both sequence and structure." Ex. 1003 at ¶82; see also ¶291, citing Queen 1989 at 3 ("Different human light or heavy chain V regions exhibit strong amino acid homology outside of the CDRs within the framework regions.") (Emphasis added). Nevertheless, recognizing the importance of maintaining FR conservation to reduce immunogenicity and "make the antibody more human," Queen 1989 explicitly taught moving towards a consensus framework region, observing that replacing amino acid residues with ones that are "more typical" and common would make the resulting antibody more human and less immunogenic. See Ex. 1034 at 3-4; Ex. 1003 at ¶310. From Queen 1989 and Kabat 1987, which provided all consensus amino acids at each framework region position, a POSA would have "substitute[d] residues in the framework region itself with the most common amino acid in human antibodies to maximize a reduction in immunogenicity." Ex. 1003 at ¶310.

As discussed with regards to claim 1 above regarding the substitutability of residues **4L**, **58L**, **66L**, **67L**, **73L**, **2H**, **45H** and **69H**, and in combination with Kabat 1987, and the motivation in Queen 1989 to use a consensus framework region, a POSA would have incorporated "a consensus human variable domain" as the framework region with a reasonable expectation of success. Ex. 1003 at ¶310. Thus, claims 4, 62, 64 and 69 are obvious given Queen 1989, the PDB database and Kabat 1987.

J. <u>Grounds 6 and 7</u>: Claims 30, 31, 33, 42 and 60 Are Obvious in View of Queen 1989 or Queen 1990; PDB database; and Hudziak

Independent claim 30 differs from claim 1 by requiring the CDRs (and antibody) to bind to $p185^{HER2}$, and includes additional FR substitution sites: 46L, 75H and 76H. Such elements remain obvious, individually and as a whole.

Humanized antibodies were developed for a single purpose: realizing the therapeutic promise of mouse monoclonal antibodies for the treatment of human diseases. Ex. 1003 at ¶320; Ex. 1004 at ¶¶27–30. While mouse monoclonals were capable of targeting antigens in a highly specific manner, immunogenicity issues severely limited the applicability of this technology to human therapeutics. *See* Ex. 1003 at ¶¶68–70; Ex. 1004 at ¶28.

Molecular targets of particular interest included HER2/c-erbB-2, whose amplification in breast cancer patients correlated with poor prognosis and high relapse rate. See Ex. 1021 at Abstract, 1165; Ex. 1004 at ¶41–56; Ex. 1003 at ¶321. Slamon specifically found the HER2/*c-erbB-2* gene product $p185^{HER2}$: (1) amplified in ~30% of breast cancer tumors; Ex. 1045 at Abstract; Ex. 1004 at ¶45; (2) "Correlated with a negative prognosis and high probability of relapse"; Ex. 1021 at 1; Ex. 1004 at ¶47; (3) caused transformation and tumorigenesis when its expression was increased and the transformed cells were implanted in athymic mice, Ex. 1021 at 1; Ex. 1004 at ¶47; and (4) caused cells to form anchorageindependent colonies in soft agar and at low density in low serum concentration characteristics of a transformed phenotype, Ex. 1021 at 1; Ex. 1004 at ¶47. Reviewing Hudziak [Ex. 1021] and other literature, Celltrion's expert Dr. Leonard, a practicing oncologist with clinical experience with therapeutic antibodies, concluded that the above findings "strongly suggested that the HER-2 neu receptor was a ripe target for therapeutic development." Ex. 1004 at ¶61.

A POSA would have been motivated to develop a monoclonal antibody therapeutic against p185^{*HER2*}, based on Hudziak and because monoclonal antibodies were known to have the potential for achieving a high degree of specificity, which would allow one to target HER2 without cross-reactivity with other structurally similar growth factor receptors, including epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR). *See* Ex. 1004 at ¶48. This was demonstrated well prior to June 1991 for 4D5, a well-characterized mouse monoclonal antibody targeting $p185^{HER2}$ protein with high affinity, specificity (no binding or recognition of, for example, EGFR) and efficacy in *in vitro* and *in vivo* studies. *Id.* at ¶50. The 4D5 investigators insisted such antibody provided a "new potential for diagnostic approaches and therapeutic strategies for treatment of human malignancies." Ex. 1047 at 4; Ex. 1004 at ¶55.

Given the understanding that an antibody must be humanized before use as a therapeutic agent, the published accounts regarding other monoclonal antibody humanization efforts, and the strength of 4D5 as a clinical target, the logical and necessary next step for a POSA would have been to humanize 4D5. Ex. 1004 at ¶63; Ex. 1003 at ¶323. The 4D5 investigators urged artisans to follow precisely this path:

The muMAb 4D5 also serves as a template for antibody engineering efforts to construct humanized versions more suitable for chronic therapy.

Ex. 1048 at 10; Ex. 1004 at ¶60 (emphasis added).

Queen 1989 and Queen 1990 provided the detailed roadmap for humanizing mouse monoclonals, such as 4D5, and represented the state of the art of antibody humanization by 1991. Ex. 1003 at ¶323. Further, Queen 1989 and Queen 1990

provided the explicit motivation, and provided a POSA with a reasonable expectation that a humanized antibody, such as 4D5, would be capable of binding to its antigen, in this case $p185^{HER2}$. See Ex. 1050 at Abstract ("When combined into an intact antibody, the humanized immunoglobulins of the present invention will be substantially non-immunogenic in humans and retain substantially the same affinity as the donor immunoglobulin to the antigen . . ."); Ex. 1034 at 1 ("For the humanized antibody, sequence homology and molecular modeling were used to select a combination of mouse and human sequence elements that would reduce immunogenicity while retaining high binding affinity.").

Hudziak provided explicit motivation to develop 4D5 for therapeutic use, disclosing "monoclonal antibodies specific for p185^{*HER*} (*e.g.*, 4D5) [as] useful therapeutic agents for the treatment of human neoplasias." *See* Ex. 1021 at 7; Ex. 1003 at ¶324; Ex. 1004 at ¶55. As a POSA would have recognized in June 1991, 4D5 required humanization before clinical use. *See* Ex. 1048 at 10 ("4D5 also serves as a template for antibody engineering efforts to construct humanized versions more suitable for chronic therapy ..."); Ex. 1003 at ¶323–25, 293–94; Ex. 1004 at ¶60. From Queen 1989 or Queen 1990, together with known antibody structures available in the PDB database, a POSA would have recognized that claimed framework positions **4L**, **58L**, **66L**, **67L**, **73L**, **98L**, **2H**, **36H**, **45H** and **69H** were readily identifiable as residues that: 1) are adjacent to CDRs; or 2)

contact CDRs. See Ex. 1003C at 8-9, 649-770, 776-77 (Riechmann Exhibits C (adjacent residues), M (distance calculations) and O (summary)). See §§V.G.1 and 2, supra; Ex. 1003 at ¶¶317–31. Further, Queen 1989 and Queen 1990 explicitly disclosed that a POSA would have had a reasonable expectation that humanizing a mouse monoclonal antibody, such as 4D5, would have worked. See Ex. 1050 at Abstract ("When combined into an intact antibody, the humanized immunoglobulins of the present invention will be substantially non-immunogenic in humans and retain substantially the same affinity as the donor immunoglobulin to the antigen..."); Ex. 1034 at 1 (expectation that humanized antibodies would "retain[] high binding affinity"); Ex. 1003 at ¶324-25; Ex. 1004 at ¶55. For at least these reasons, claim 30 is obvious over Queen 1989 (Ground 6) or Queen 1990 (Ground 7), in view of known antibody structures available on the PDB database, and in view of Hudziak.

Claim 31. Claim 31 additionally recites that "the substituted residue is the residue found at the corresponding location of the non-human antibody from which the non-human CDR amino acid residues are obtained." Queen 1989 and Queen 1990 explicitly disclosed this limitation. *See* Ex. 1034 at 3; Ex. 1050 at 7, 1.36 - 8, Ex. 1003 at ¶¶328–29 *see supra* §§V.G.3 and 9 (claims 2 and 81). Claim 31 is obvious over Queen 1989 or Queen 1990 and the PDB database, and further in view of Hudziak.

Claims 42 and 60. Claims 42 and 60 recite that the residue at site 66L or 78H, respectively, is substituted. For the same reasons above for claim 30, which details positions **66L** and **78H** as recognized substitutable positions, claims 42 and 60 are also obvious over Queen 1989 or Queen 1990, in view of the PDB database, and further in view of Hudziak. Ex. 1003 at ¶¶328–29.

Claim 33. Claim 33 additionally requires that "the human antibody variable domain is a consensus human variable domain." Queen 1990 explicitly disclosed this limitation. *See* Ex. 1050 at 14:19–20 ("[U]se a consensus framework from many human antibodies."); Ex. 1003 at ¶¶329–30. For these and claim 30's reasons, claim 33 is also obvious over Queen 1990 and the PDB database, and further in view of Hudziak.

K. Secondary Considerations Cannot Overcome Obviousness.

Patent Owner may attempt to assert secondary considerations of nonobviousness, despite no showing of such in the patent. Such evidence is "insufficient" where, as here, there is a "strong [case] of obviousness". *See Pfizer, Inc. v. Apotex, Inc.,* 480 F.3d 1348, 1372 (Fed. Cir. 2007). Patent Owner cannot show the required nexus between any purportedly novel feature and any secondary consideration, *see, e.g., Merck & Co. v. Teva Pharms. USA,* 395 F.3d 1364, 1376 (Fed. Cir. 2005); *Torrent Pharms. Ltd. v. Novartis AG,* IPR2014–00784 at 12 (PTAB Sep. 24, 2015), or that secondary considerations are commensurate with

claim scope given the breadth of the challenged claims. *See, e.g., Ex Parte Takeshi Shimono,* Appeal 2013–003410 (PTAB Apr. 29, 2015). Celltrion nonetheless addresses potential Patent Owner theories below.

1. The Methods Recited in the '213 Patent Produced No Relevant Unexpected Results.

The '213 patent makes no claim that the claimed methods achieve any unexpected result. To the contrary, the '213 patent recognizes that residues important for maintaining CDR conformation and binding were well known prior to June 1991. *See* Ex. 1001 at 2:63–67; Ex. 1003 at ¶¶339–40. Given the extensive prior art, successful antibody humanization was readily achievable, not surprising or unexpected. Ex. 1003 at ¶¶83–93, 299–300; Ex. 1004 at ¶¶33–40. More specifically, successfully humanizing an antibody using a consensus sequence would also have been expected. Ex. 1003 at ¶ 341. As Dr. Riechmann explains, the residues in the consensus sequence are by definition the ones most commonly found in natural human antibody variable regions. *Id.* Thus, a POSA would have expected the consensus sequence to be effective across a wide variety of antibodies.

Additionally, the data allegedly showing enhanced (allegedly 3-times more) target binding does not show unexpected improvement. Ex. 1003 at \P 342. As Dr. Riechmann explains, the data provided in the '213 patent and provided to the PTO

during prosecution is scientifically insufficient to establish any difference in binding at all. *Id*.

2. The '213 Patent Satisfied No Long-Felt But Unmet Need.

There was no long-felt but unmet need for humanized mouse monoclonal antibody 4D5. The challenged claims' scopes exceed antibody 4D5 specifically. If 4D5 satisfied any need, Dr. Riechmann explains that the mouse monoclonal antibody 4D5 disclosures, which claimed and disclosed the original mouse monoclonal antibody, satisfied it. *See*, e.g., U.S. Patent No. 5,677,171 (Ex. 1096); Ex. 1003 at ¶341–342.

Further, Patent Owner cannot show the purported invention solved the problem the specification identified. *See, e.g., Norgren Inc. v. ITC*, 699 F.3d 1317 (Fed. Cir. 2012) (claims obvious where "[prior art patent] solved similar problems in a similar way"); *see also In re PepperBall Techs., Inc.,* 469 F. App'x 878, 882–83 (Fed. Cir. 2012). The '213 patent's purported problem was that "[m]ethods are needed for rationalizing the selection of sites for substitution in preparing [humanized] antibodies," and asserts that the invention could provide methods "for the preparation of antibodies that are less antigenic in humans . . . but have desired antigen binding." Ex. 1001 at 3:53–55 and 4:24–35. Queen 1989, Queen 1990 and others had already set forth why one would desire to humanize and provided a detailed roadmap on how to do it. Any problems identified in the '213

specification had already been explicitly addressed and solved by the prior art. Ex. 1003 at ¶¶245–60; 341.

3. No nexus/commercial success with respect to Herceptin.

Any commercial success experienced with Herceptin⁷ does not provide any indicia of nonobviousness of the challenged claims of the '213 patent. First, any alleged commercial success of Herceptin has no nexus to the challenged claims because none of the heavy chain residues cited in claim 1 are modified in Herceptin, and only 1 of the 13 heavy chain residues (78H) cited in claims 30, 62 and 63 is modified in Herceptin. Second, any alleged success is not commensurate in scope with the challenged claims because they are not limited to any antibody or class of antibodies. Ex. 1003 at ¶343. Even claim 30, which recites that the antibody binds p185^{*HER2*}, is exceptionally broad, not being limited to any specific anti-p185^{HER2} antibody. Therefore, even if Patent Owner can identify one embodiment in its evidence of objective indicia, they will be unable to "demonstrate that untested embodiments falling within the claimed range will behave in the same manner." Id. at 4.

⁷ While Celltrion presumes that Patent Owner will attempt to rely on Herceptin, Celltrion does not concede that Herceptin provides support for any asserted secondary considerations.

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