



**PATENTS ACT 1977**

PARTIES Merck Patent GmbH,  
Martin Erdmann, Walter Hamm and Stefan Christ

ISSUE Mention of additional inventor for patent number  
EP(UK)1319644 & EP(UK)1453781

HEARING OFFICER Susan Eaves

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**DECISION**

- 1 Merck Patent GmbH the patent proprietor, filed an application in accordance with rule 10(2) of the Patents Rules 2007 to the effect that Stefan Christ should have been mentioned as a joint inventor.
- 2 Martin Erdmann and Walter Hamm the currently named inventors have filed written consent in support of the application. Stefan Christ has also consented to being mentioned as a joint inventor. As such the application is treated as uncontested.
- 3 I therefore conclude that Stefan Christ should be named as a joint inventor along with Martin Erdmann and Walter Hamm in respect of patent numbers EP(UK)1319644 and EP(UK)1453781.
- 4 I therefore direct, in accordance with rule 10(1), that an addendum slip be prepared to reflect this finding for the granted patents.

**SUSAN EAVES**

B3 Tribunals Technical Co-ordinator, acting for the Comptroller