

EXHIBIT 1020:

PATENT APPLICATION 10/431,140; 1/10/2007 AMENDMENT.

Pharmatech Solutions, Inc.: EXHIBIT 1020
REQUEST FOR *INTER PARTES* REVIEW

AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action of dated August 9, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1-32 (Canceled):

33. (Currently amended) A method of measuring the concentration of a substance in a sample liquid comprising the steps of:

providing a measuring device ~~according to claim 17;~~ said device comprising:

a first working sensor part for generating charge carriers in proportion to the concentration of said substance in the sample liquid;

a second working sensor part downstream from said first working sensor part also for generating charge carriers in proportion to the concentration of said substance in the sample liquid wherein said first and second working sensor parts are arranged such that, in the absence of an error condition, the quantity of said charge carriers generated by said first working sensors part are substantially identical to the quantity of said charge carriers generated by said second working sensor part; and

a reference sensor part upstream from said first and second working sensor parts which reference sensor part is a common reference for both the first and second working sensor parts, said reference sensor part and said first and second working sensor parts being arranged such that the sample liquid is constrained to flow substantially unidirectionally across said reference sensor part and said first and second working sensor parts; wherein said first and second working sensor parts and said reference sensor part are provided on a disposable test strip;

applying the sample liquid to said measuring device;

measuring an electric current at each working sensor part proportional to the concentration of said substance in the sample liquid;

comparing the electric current from each of the working sensor parts to establish a difference parameter; and

giving an indication of an error if said difference parameter is greater than a predetermined threshold.

34. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 33 comprising measuring the current at each working sensor part after a predetermined time following application of the sample.

35. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 33 wherein the substance to be measured is glucose, and each of the working sensor parts generates charge carriers in proportion to the concentration of glucose in the sample liquid.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 17, 22-26 and 30-35 remain in this application. Claims 18-21 and 27-29 have been canceled.

Please cancel Claims 17, 22-26, 30 and 31.

Applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's rejection of claims 17, 22-26, 30 and 31. However, in view of the Examiner's decision to allow Claims 33-35 with appropriate amendments, Applicant has decided to not to pursue claims 17, 22-26, 30 and 31 in the present application but reserves the right to do so in a continuation application. Please, therefore, amend Claim 33 as indicated. According to Applicant's understanding, this amendment places the present application in condition for allowance.

If the Examiner feels that a telephone interview is necessary he is invited to call the attorney of record direct at (408) 956-4066. The commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 10-0750 (Johnson & Johnson/DDI-0045/BES).

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