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Petitioners,

v.

NOVARTIS AG,

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### I PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

Novartis respectfully moves to exclude (A) all, or at least the pharmacology opinions in, the declaration of Dr. Barbara Giesser and related CV (**Ex. 1002, Ex. 1003**); (B) exhibits relating to an IPR involving an unrelated Novartis formulation patent (**Ex. 1032, Ex. 1035, Ex. 1037, Ex. 1041**), and a confidential clinical trial document (**Ex. 1051**); and (C) exhibits and certain testimony from recent depositions (**Exs. 1054-59**, and parts of **1063** and **1064**).

### II ARGUMENT

# A. Dr. Giesser's Opinions Are Inadmissible as Unreliable under Rule 702

Novartis appreciates that the Board does not often exclude expert testimony under Fed. R. Evid. 702, preferring instead to weigh the testimony in the overall process of deciding the case. But Dr. Giesser's testimony and how it was used by Petitioners here are beyond the pale.

The Board applies Federal Rule of Evidence 702 to putative expert testimony. *3d Matrix, Ltd. v. Menicon Co., Ltd.*, IPR2014-00398, 2014 WL 3851279, at \*5 (P.T.A.B. Aug. 1, 2014) (applying Rule 702). Rule 702 requires the Board to act as a "gatekeeper" to "ensure that any and all scientific testimony or evidence admitted is not only relevant, but reliable." *Daubert v. Merrell Dow Pharm., Inc.*, 509 U.S. 579, 589, 597 (1993). The proponents of expert testimony—here, Petitioners—have

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