UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

APPLE INC., Petitioner,

v.

COREPHOTONICS, LTD., Patent Owner.

Case No. IPR2020-00878 U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

DECLARATION OF TOM D. MILSTER, Ph.D. PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.68

TABLE OF CONTENTS

I.	BACKGROUND1
II.	SUMMARY OF OPINIONS
III.	EDUCATIONAL AND EMPLOYMENT BACKGROUND 4
IV.	LEVEL OF ORDINARY SKILL IN THE ART (POSITA) 9
V.	RELEVANT LEGAL STANDARDS FOR OBVIOUSNESS 13
VI.	OVERVIEW OF THE '897 PATENT 16
VII.	CLAIM CONSTRUCTION
VIII.	PRIOR ART REFERENCES
A.	Ogino23
В.	Bareau
C.	Kingslake
D.	Chen
E.	Iwasaki
F.	Beich
IX.	OBVIOUSNESS
A.	Ground 2 – Obviousness of Claims 2, 5, 6, 18, and 21–23 over Ogino in view of Bareau
В.	Ground 3 – Obviousness of Claims 3, 8, 19, and 24 over Ogino in view of Bareau and Kingslake

Case Nos. IPR2020-00878 U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

C.	•	Ground 4 – Obviousness of Claims 16 and 30 over Chen in view	w of
		Iwasaki and Beich	68
X.	D	ECLARATION	. 72
XI.	A	PPENDIX	. 73
A.	•	Ogino Example 5 modified for f-number 2.8	73
В.		Modified Chen Example 1	76

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

I. BACKGROUND

1. I have been retained as a technical expert by Patent Owner Corepho-

tonics Ltd. ("Patent Owner" or "Corephotonics") in this proceeding. Corepho-

tonics has asked me to provide my expert opinions concerning certain

technical aspects of imaging system design as they relate to the Petitioner Ap-

ple Inc.'s petition for inter partes review of U.S. Patent 10,330,897 ("'897

patent") in Case No. IPR2020-00878 and the accompanying Declaration of

Jose Sasián.

2. The statements in this declaration summarize my opinions on these

matters based on my forty years of study and research of imaging systems, my

education, knowledge, skills, and my review and analysis of the materials ref-

erenced herein.

3. My work in this matter is being billed at the rate of \$625 per hour. I am

also being reimbursed for reasonable and customary expenses associated with

my work and testimony in this investigation. My compensation is not contin-

gent on the outcome of this matter or the substance of my testimony

II. SUMMARY OF OPINIONS

4. In the preparation of this declaration, I have reviewed:

• The '897 patent (Ex. 1001)

1

Exhibit 2001 IPR2020-00878 Page 4 of 82

- The file history of the '897 patent (Ex. 1002)
- Apple's petition for *inter partes* review (Paper 2)
- The Board's institution decision (Paper 7)
- The expert declaration of Jose Sasián (Ex. 1003)
- Prof. Sasián's curriculum vitae (Ex. 1004)
- U.S. Patent No. 9,128,267 ("Ogino") (Ex. 1005)
- W. Smith, *Modern Lens Design* (1992) (Ex. 1006)
- W. Beich and N. Turner, "Polymer Optics: A manufacturer's perspective on the factors that contribute to successful programs" (Ex. 1007)
- U.S. Patent No. 7,777,972 ("Chen '972") (Ex. 1008)
- U.S. Patent No. 9,678,310 ("Iwasaki") (Ex. 1009)
- M. Born and E. Wolf, Principles of Optics (1980) (Ex. 1010)
- The file history of the Ogino patent (Ex. 1011)
- J. Bareau and P. Clark, "The Optics of Miniature Digital Camera Modules" (Ex. 1012)
- R. Kingslake, Optics in Photography (1992) (Ex. 1013)
- U.S. Patent No. 7,859,588 ("Parulski") (Ex. 1014)
- English translation of Japanese patent application JP2013106289A ("Konno") (Ex. 1015)
- B. Walker, Optical Engineering Fundametals (1995) (Ex. 1016)

- R. Fischer, et al., Optical Ssytem Design (2008) (Ex. 1017)
- A. Symmons and M. Schaub, *Field Guide to Molded Optics* (2016) (Exs. 1018 and 2006)
- *Handbook of Optics*, 2nd ed., vol. 2 (1995) (Exs.1019 and 2008)
- U.S. Patent No. 10,324,273 ("Chen") (Ex. 1020)
- U.S. Patent No. 9,857,568 (Ex. 1021)
- U.S. Patent No. 9,568,712 (Ex. 1022)
- Deposition transcript of Prof. Duncan Moore (Ex. 1023)
- U.S. Patent No. 7,321,475 ("Wang") (Ex. 1024)
- G. Hollows and S. Singer, "Matching Lenses and Sensors" (Ex. 1025)
- The file history of U.S. Patent No. 9,678,310 (Ex. 1026)
- Deposition transcript of Prof. Sasián, January 22, 2021 (Ex. 2003)
- J. Sasián, Introduction to Lens Design (2019) (Ex. 2004)
- P. Clark, "Mobile platform optical design" (Ex. 2005)
- G. Beall, "By Design: Part design 106 Corner radiuses," *Plastics Today* (Ex. 2007)
- Declaration of J. Sasián in IPR2019-00030 (Ex. 2009)
- 5. In forming the opinions set forth herein, I have considered:
- a. The documents listed above;

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

b. My education, knowledge, skills, and experience in the design and devel-

opment of imaging systems; and

c. The level of skill of a person having ordinary skill in the art (POSITA) at

the time of the effective filing dates of the '897 patent.

6. As I explain in further detail below, it is my professional and expert

opinion that Apple and Dr. Sasián have failed to demonstrate that claims 2, 3,

5, 6, 8, 16, 18, 19, 21–24, 30 of the '897 patent were obvious, under any of

the grounds that Apple has raised. I express no opinion concerning Apple's

contention that claims 1, 4, 9–15, 17, 20, and 25–29 are anticipated by the

Ogino patent.

III. EDUCATIONAL AND EMPLOYMENT BACKGROUND

7. I received a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering

from the University of Missouri in 1981 and a Doctorate in Optical Sciences

from the University of Arizona in 1987. I worked for IBM as a staff optical

engineer from 1986 to 1989, and I worked during the summer of 1989 for

Lawrence Livermore National Laboratories. I joined the faculty at the Uni-

versity of Arizona's Wyant College of Optical Sciences in 1989.

8. For forty years, I have been working, teaching, or researching in

the field of optical devices. I worked for IBM for three years on the subject of

4

Exhibit 2001 IPR2020-00878 Page 7 of 82

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

optical storage developing miniature optical systems, and I have been teaching

and researching at the University of Arizona for over thirty-one years.

9. I have written over one hundred peer-reviewed papers in the field

of optics. A number of these papers relate specifically to miniature optical

devices and systems. My technical research has earned several recognitions

and awards. For example, my 1995 paper entitled "Linear behavior of a near-

field optical scanning system" was selected as a landmark paper in near-field

optics. My 1997 paper entitled "Objective lens design for multiple-layer op-

tical data storage" was selected as one of the 300 most influential papers in

lens design.² A recent paper entitled "Multiple-order diffractive engineered

surface lenses" has been on the Applied Optics 'Top Downloads' list for the

last three consecutive months.³

10. I am a named inventor on fifteen US patents concerning various

advanced optical systems, like data detectors and systems for optical data stor-

age that include miniature optics (US 4,823,220, US 6,111,839, US 6,577,584,

¹ Kann, J. L., Milster, T. D., Froehlich, F. F., Ziolkowski, R. W., & Judkins, J. B. (1995). Linear behavior of a near-field optical scanning system. *JOSA*

A, *12*(8), 1677-1682.

² Milster, T. D., Upton, R. S., & Luo, H. (1999). Objective lens design for multiple-layer optical data storage. *Optical Engineering*, *38*, 295-301.

³ Milster, T. D., Kim, Y. S., Wang, Z., & Purvin, K. (2020). Multiple-order diffractive engineered surface lenses. *Applied optics*, 59(26), 7900-7906.

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

US 6,577,584, US 7,796,487, US 7,974,170, US 8,003,187), miniature lens

designs for fiber communications (US 6,498,875), vacuum ultraviolet systems

(US 7,916,291, US 8,472,111, US 9,081,193), miniature-optic blood sensors

(9,072,473), near-field sensors (US 8,737,178), and holography (US

9,116,303, US 10,866,406).

11. I have contributed chapters to eleven books about optics, includ-

ing one chapter entitled "Miniature and Micro Optics," which has been pub-

lished in the last three editions of the Handbook of Optics. This chapter

discusses the design and use of miniature optical elements, including molded

elements, that are similar to those found in cell phone cameras. Material for

this chapter was derived from a popular short course I taught for a professional

society over a period of about 10 years, and it drew on the experience I re-

ceived working for IBM and my first several years working as faculty at the

University of Arizona.

12. One significant accomplishment I have achieved through my re-

search is breaking the "diffraction barrier" by applying the techniques of near-

field scanning optical microscopy (NSOM),4 developing specialized near-

⁴ Kann, J. L., Milster, T. D., Froehlich, F. F., Ziolkowski, R. W., & Judkins, J. B. (1995). Linear behavior of a near-field optical scanning system. *JOSA*

A, 12(8), 1677-1682; Froehlich, F. F., & Milster, T. D. (1995). Detection of

field probes,⁵ and applying the solid immersion lens (SIL) in various ways.⁶ This work led me to develop new, more efficient miniature optical probes and high-performance miniature optical systems.⁷ In these projects, my students and I applied a mixture of theory, optical design and fabrication techniques to produce real examples of the miniature and micro-optical lenses that we envisioned. One of my recent conference presentations entitled "Practical measurement of cell-phone camera focal length," specifically addresses the properties of modern cell-phone camera lenses.⁸

probe dither motion in near-field scanning optical microscopy. *Applied optics*, 34(31), 7273-7279.

⁵ Hirota, K., Milster, T. D., Zhang, Y., & Erwin, J. K. (2000). Design of a near-field probe for optical recording using a 3-dimensional finite difference time domain method. *Japanese Journal of Applied Physics*, 39(2S), 973.

⁶ Shimura, K., Milster, T. D., Jo, J. S., & Hirota, K. (2000). Pupil plane filtering for optical pickup heads with effective numerical aperture of 1.1 and 2.0. *Japanese Journal of Applied Physics*, 39(2S), 897; Zhang, J., Kim, Y., Kim, Y., Valencia, R., Milster, T. D., & Dozer, D. (2009). High resolution semiconductor inspection by using solid immersion lenses. *Japanese Journal of Applied Physics*, 48(3S1), 03A043.

⁷ Zhang, Y., Milster, T. D., Kim, J. S., & Park, S. K. (2004). Advanced lens design for bit-wise volumetric optical data storage. *Japanese journal of applied physics*, 43(7S), 4929.

⁸ Milster, T. D., & Kuhn, W. P. (2020, August). Practical measurement of cell-phone camera lens focal length. In *Optical System Alignment, Toler-ancing, and Verification XIII* (Vol. 11488, p. 1148807). International Society for Optics and Photonics.

Case Nos. IPR2020-00878 U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

13. One of my current projects is directly related to molding optical

elements. A recent paper entitled "Precision glass molding of diffractive op-

tical elements with high surface quality" specifically addresses issues for

molding small glass structures.9 My students, staff and I developed a com-

plete process for molding glass structures with micrometer-size structures and

extremely high quality. Although not mentioned in the publication, we also

worked on molding plastic lens structures. This experience relates directly to

the fabrication of miniature optical components, like those under review for

this case.

14. I am a Fellow member of the Optical Society of America and the

SPIE - International Society for Optics and Photonics. I am also a Senior

Member of the National Association of Inventors.

15. In addition to my research, I have served as a technical expert in

both district courts and ITC patent litigation in the United States of America.

In the last ten years, I have testified in the following matters: American Med-

ical Systems, Inc. and Laserscope v. Laser Peripherals, LLC, Civil Action No.

⁹ Zhang, Y., Liang, R., Spires, O. J., Yin, S., Yi, A., & Milster, T. D. (2020). Precision glass molding of diffractive optical elements with high surface

quality. Optics Letters, 45(23), 6438-6441.

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

08-CV-4798, United States District Court for the District of Minnesota; Amer-

ican Medical Systems, Inc. and Laserscope v. Biolitec, Inc., Biolitec AG, Bio-

litec SIA, Ceramoptec Industries, Inc., Ceramoptec GmbH and Andaoptec,

LTD, Civil Action No. 3:08-CV-30061-MAP, United States District Court for

the District of Massachusetts, as well in an arbitration matter between Core-

photonics Ltd. and Ningbo Sunny Opotech Co., Ltd., Case No.

HKIAC/A19025.

16. A copy of my CV further describing my experience is attached

as exhibit 2002.

IV. LEVEL OF ORDINARY SKILL IN THE ART (POSITA)

17. I understand that in evaluating the validity of the '897 patent claims,

the content of a patent or printed publication prior art should be interpreted

the way a person of ordinary skill in the art would have interpreted the prior

art as of the effective filing date of the challenged patent claims.

18. I understand that factors that may be considered in determining the level

of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the effective filing date of the chal-

lenged patents include: (1) the educational level of the inventor; (2) type of

problems encountered in the art; (3) prior art solutions to those problems; (4)

9

Exhibit 2001 IPR2020-00878 Page 12 of 82 Case Nos. IPR2020-00878 U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

rapidity with which innovations are made; (5) sophistication of the technology; and (6) educational level of active workers in the field.

19. In his declaration, Dr. Sasián offers his opinion that a person having ordinary skill in the art ("POSITA"):

would include someone who had, at the priority date of the '897 Patent, (i) a Bachelor's degree in Physics, Optical Sciences, or equivalent training, as well as (ii) approximately three years of experience in designing multi-lens optical systems. Such a person would have had experience in analyzing, tolerancing, adjusting, and optimizing multi-lens systems for manufacturing, and would have been familiar with the specifications of lens systems and their fabrication. In addition, a POSITA would have known how to use lens design software such as Code V, Oslo, or Zemax, and would have taken a lens design course or had equivalent training.

(Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl., ¶¶ 19–20.) I have applied the same definition of a POSITA in this declaration.

20. As noted above, the level of ordinary skill is assessed as of the effective filing date. I understand that this effective filing data may be different for different claims within a patent. I understand that the '897 patent claims priority by a series of continuations to an application that was filed on January 30, 2017 and issued as U.S. Patent No. 9,857,568. (Ex. 1001, '897 patent at 1:5–

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

10.) I understand that this means that the material disclosed in the specifica-

tion of the '897 patent was also contained in the January 30, 2017 patent ap-

plication that led to the '568 patent.

21. I understand that the '897 patent also claims priority by a series of con-

tinuations and continuations-in-part to a provisional patent application that

was filed on July 4, 2013. (Ex. 1001, '897 patent at 1:5–12.) I understand that

this means that portions of the '897 patent specification were disclosed in the

July 4, 2013 provisional patent application, while other portions may have

been added in the January 30, 2017 application leading to the '568 patent.

22. I understand that a claim of the '897 patent is entitled to July 4, 2013

effective filing date if there is a written description in that provisional appli-

cation that demonstrates that the inventors had possession of the invention

recited in the claim at the time the July 4, 2013 application was filed. I under-

stand that if there is not sufficient written description to demonstrate posses-

sion of the invention recited in the claim, then that claim is entitled to the

January 30, 2017 effective filing date.

23. In his declaration, Dr. Sasián appears to assume that the relevant effec-

tive filing date for assessing the level of skill in the art is July 4, 2013. (Ex.

1003, Sasián Decl., ¶¶ 18–21.) The only claims that Dr. Sasián contends have

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

a January 30, 2017 priority date are claims 16 and 30. (Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl.,

¶ 33.)¹¹ For these reasons, I understand that Apple and Dr. Sasián do not dis-

pute that the challenged claims other than claims 16 and 30 have an effective

filing date of July 4, 2013. For the purposes of evaluating the level of skill in

the art, I have considered the level of skill in the art as of January 30, 2017 for

claims 16 and 30, and as of July 4, 2013 for the other challenged claims. Un-

less I specifically note otherwise, I do not believe that any of my opinions

would change if I had assumed a July 4, 2013 date for claims 16 and 30 or a

January 30, 2017 for any of the other claims.

24. I would have met the requirements of a POSITA on July 4, 2013 as well

as on January 30, 2017. Some of my past students would also have qualified

as POSITAs on these dates. Thus I am qualified to opine on the issues in this

IPR.

¹⁰ At the end of this paragraph, Dr. Sasián refers to "the priority date of claims 7 and 12" rather than 16 and 30, but I understand this to be a typographical error. Claim 7 is not challenged in the IPR, and none of the discussion of the paragraph applies to claim 7 or 12.

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

V. RELEVANT LEGAL STANDARDS FOR OBVIOUSNESS

25. I have been informed of the legal standards for establishing patent in-

validity in *inter partes* review proceedings before the Patent Trial and Appeal

Board.

26. I understand that the petitioner must prove invalidity of a patent claim

by a preponderance of the evidence, that is, the evidence must be sufficient to

show that a fact or legal conclusion is more likely than not.

27. I understand that a claim may be anticipated if (1) the claimed invention

was patented, described in a printed publication, or in public use, on sale, or

otherwise available to the public before the effective filing date of the claimed

invention; or (2) the claimed invention was described in a patent or published

application, in which the patent or application names another inventor and was

effectively filed before the effective filing date of the claimed invention.

28. I understand that, once the claims of a patent have been properly con-

strued, the next step in determining anticipation of a patent claim requires a

comparison of the properly construed claim language to the prior art on a lim-

itation-by-limitation basis.

29. I understand that even if a patent claim is not anticipated, it may still be

invalid if the differences between the claimed subject matter and the prior art

13

Exhibit 2001 IPR2020-00878 Page 16 of 82

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the

time the invention was made to a person of ordinary skill in the pertinent art.

30. I also understand that a patent may be rendered obvious based on an

alleged prior art reference or a combination of such references plus what a

person of ordinary skill in the art would understand based on his or her

knowledge and the references. It is also my understanding that in assessing

the obviousness of claimed subject matter one should evaluate obviousness

over the prior art from the perspective of one of ordinary skill in the art at the

time the invention was made (and not from the perspective of either a layman

or a genius in that art).

31. I understand that a patent claim composed of several elements is not

proved obvious merely by demonstrating that each of its elements was known

in the prior art. There must be a reason for combining the elements in the

manner claimed. That is, there must be a showing that a person of ordinary

skill in the art at the time of the invention would have thought of either com-

bining two or more references or modifying a reference to achieve the claimed

invention.

32. I understand that an obviousness determination includes the considera-

tion of the following factors: (1) the scope and content of the prior art, (2) the

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

differences between the prior art and the claims at issue, (3) the level of ordi-

nary skill in the art, and (4) objective evidence of nonobviousness.

33. I understand that the burden is on the petitioner to explain how specific

references could be combined, which combinations of elements in specific

references would yield a predictable result, and how any specific combination

would operate or read on the claims. I further understand that the petitioner

cannot rely on conclusory statements but must instead provide a reasoned ex-

planation supported by evidence. I also understand that obviousness does not

exist where the prior art discourages or teaches away from the claimed inven-

tion. I also understand that even if a reference does not teach away, its state-

ments regarding preferences are relevant to a finding whether a person skilled

in the art would be motivated to combine that reference with another refer-

ence.

34. I understand that it is impermissible to use hindsight to arrive at the

claimed invention. My understanding is that the inventor's own path never

leads to a conclusion of obviousness. I also understand that, when assessing

whether there was a motivation to combine references to teach a claim ele-

ment, defining the problem in terms of its solution reveals improper hindsight.

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

35. I understand that, in this proceeding, prior art to the '897 patent includes

patents and printed publications in the relevant art that predate the effective

filing date of the '897 patent's challenged claims, which I understand to be

January 30, 2017 for claims 16 and 30 and July 4, 2013 for the other chal-

lenged claims, as discussed above.

VI. OVERVIEW OF THE '897 PATENT

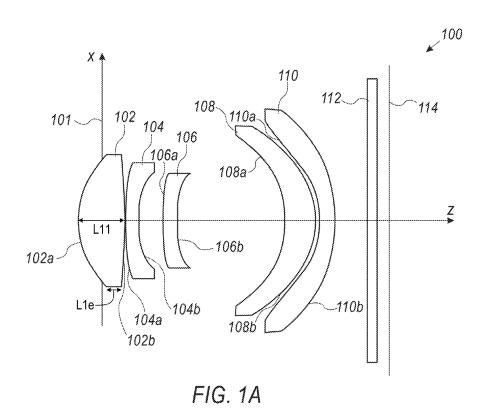
36. The '897 patent is concerned with designs for a "miniature telephoto

lens assembly" of a kind suitable for use in mobile phones and other portable

electronic products. (Ex. 1001, '897 patent at 1:26–30.) The example designs

shown in the '897 patent utilize five plastic lens elements, each having a com-

plex aspheric shape:



- 37. The use of these multiple lens elements with aspheric shapes makes possible a lens that produces a high-quality image, by minimizing chromatic aberrations and other optical aberrations that would blur or distort the image. (Ex. 1001, '897 patent at 2:22–34, 2:51–57.)
- 38. These multi-lens systems with aspheric lens surfaces have a vast range of possible designs. For example, the design in figure 1A from the '897 patent requires several dozen numerical parameters to define the shapes, locations, and properties of its lens elements:

TABLE 1

#	Comment	Radius R [mm]	Distances [mm]	Nd/Vd	Diameter [mm]
1	Stop	Infinite	-0.466		2.4
2	L11	1.5800	0.894	1.5345/57.095	2.5
3	L12	-11.2003	0.020		2.4
4	L21	33.8670	0.246	1.63549/23.91	2.2
5	L22	3.2281	0.449		1.9
6	L31	-12.2843	0.290	1.5345/57.095	1.9
7	L32	7.7138	2.020		1.8
8	L41	-2.3755	0.597	1.63549/23.91	3.3
9	L42	-1.8801	0.068		3.6
10	L51	-1.8100	0.293	1.5345/57.095	3.9
11	L52	-5.2768	0.617		4.3
12	Window	Infinite	0.210	1.5168/64.17	3.0
13		Infinite	0.200		3.0

TABLE 2

#	Conic coefficient k	α_2	α_3	α_4	α_5	α_6
2	-0.4668	7.9218E-03	2.3146E-02	-3.3436E-02	2.3650E-02	-9.2437E-03
3	-9.8525	2.0102E-02	2.0647E-04	7.4394E-03	-1.7529E-02	4.5206E-03
4	10.7569	-1.9248E-03	8.6003E-02	1.1676E-02	-4.0607E-02	1.3545E-02
5	1.4395	5.1029E-03	2.4578E-01	-1.7734E-01	2.9848E-01	-1.3320E-01
6	0.0000	2.1629E-01	4.0134E-02	1.3615E-02	2.5914E-03	-1.2292E-02
7	-9.8953	2.3297E-01	8.2917E-02	-1.2725E-01	1.5691E-01	-5.9624E-02
8	0.9938	-1.3522E-02	-7.0395E-03	1.4569E-02	-1.5336E-02	4.3707E-03
9	-6.8097	-1.0654E-01	1.2933E-02	2.9548E-04	-1.8317E-03	5.0111E-04
10	-7.3161	-1.8636E-01	8.3105E-02	-1.8632E-02	2.4012E-03	-1.2816E-04
11	0.0000	-1.1927E-01	7.0245E-02	-2.0735E-02	2.6418E-03	-1.1576E-04

(Ex. 1001, '897 patent, col. 4.)

39. The '897 patent provides examples of lens designs and their corresponding numerical parameters, and it also teaches and claims sets of conditions and relationships among the parameters that help to make a lens system with high performance characteristics. The resulting lens designs are thin and

Case Nos. IPR2020-00878 U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

compact, appropriate for use in mobile devices, and they offer a large focal

length (and thus a large degree of image magnification) for their physical size.

(Ex. 1001, '897 patent at 2:6–21.)

40. The lens designs in the '897 patent are also manufacturable, meaning

that they have shapes that can be successfully and repeatably manufactured

using the techniques of plastic injection molding that are commonly used for

mobile device camera lenses. The '897 patent designs avoid features such as

overly narrow lens edges that make a lens difficult or impossible to manufac-

ture. (Ex. 1001, '897 patent at 2:35–50.)

41. One of the parameters of a lens design that is discussed in the '897 pa-

tent and claimed in certain claims is the "f-number" or "F#." The f-number is

a property of a lens that relates to how bright the image formed by the lens is.

A lens that forms brighter images is sometimes referred to as a "faster" lens,

because for a given image sensor (or a given type of film) and focal length,

the minimum amount of time required to capture an image varies inversely

with the brightness of the image. For a single thin lens, the f number is equal

to the focal length of the lens divided by the diameter of the lens:

$$f - number = \frac{f}{diameter}$$

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

(Walker, Ex. 1016 at 59.)

42. The diameter of the lens determines how much total light is collected

per unit time by the lens from a given scene. Under certain approximations,

doubling the diameter increases the amount of light collected by a factor of

four. The focal length determines the image size on the sensor and thus deter-

mines the size of the distribution area of the collected light. Doubling the focal

length increases the area illuminated in the image by a factor of four and re-

duces the intensity of the light in any given part of the image by a factor of

four. So, if both the diameter and focal length are doubled, then the effects

approximately cancel out, and the brightness of the image at the sensor is left

unchanged, although the image is larger. In other words, it is the ratio of the

focal length and the diameter that most strongly effects the image brightness.

43. Because the diameter is in the denominator, a smaller f-number corre-

sponds to a brighter image for a fixed focal length. In more complicated lens

systems with multiple lens elements, such as those at issue in this IPR, the

amount of light collected no longer depends on the diameter of a single lens

(or of a single lens surface), and the effective focal length (EFL) is a function

of the lens elements and their spacings. One definition of f number for such

20

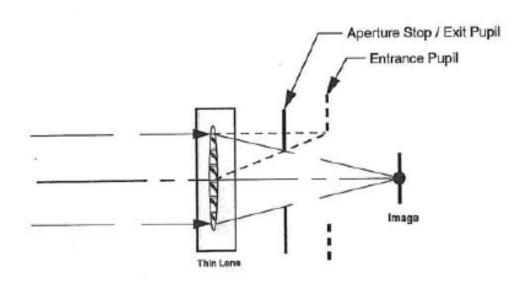
Exhibit 2001 IPR2020-00878 Page 23 of 82 Case Nos. IPR2020-00878 U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

systems instead uses the diameter of the "entrance pupil" (EPD), meaning that the formula is changed to:

$$f$$
-number = $\frac{EFL}{diameter} = \frac{EFL}{EPD}$

(Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl. at 58-39.)

44. The concept of the "entrance pupil" is illustrated in the following drawing from Figure 4-2 of Walker:



(Ex. 1016, Walker, p. 61.)

45. As shown here, the entrance pupil reflects the size of the bundle of rays parallel to the optical axis of the lens that can enter the lens, travel through the aperture stop, and reach the image plane. Explained another way, the entrance

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

pupil "is the image of the aperture stop as seen when looking from the object

side of the lens." (Ex. 1016, Walker, p. 60.)

VII. CLAIM CONSTRUCTION

46. Dr. Sasián's declaration states (Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl., ¶¶ 38–39) that

he applies two claim constructions for terms that the Board has previously

construed in IPRs concerning U.S. Patent No. 9,402,032 and 9,568,712, pa-

tents to which the '897 patent claims priority:

Effective Focal Length (EFL): "the focal length of a lens as-

sembly."

Total Track Length (TTL): "the length of the optical axis spac-

ing between the object-side surface of the first lens element and one of: an electronic sensor, a film sensor, and an image plane

corresponding to either the electronic sensor or a film sensor."

IPR2018-01140, Paper 37 at 10-18.

47. I understand that the Board also adopted these same constructions in

IPR2019-00030 concerning the '568 patent, which as I discussed above con-

tains the same specification as the '897 patent. IPR2019-00030, Paper 32 at

8, 14–15.

48. I have applied these constructions for the terms "Effective Focal

Length" (EFL) and "Total Track Length" (TTL) in the '897 patent claims. For

all other terms, I have interpreted them based upon their plain and ordinary

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

meaning, as they would have been understood by a POSITA, as of the effective filing date, in the context of the '897 patent.

VIII. PRIOR ART REFERENCES

A. Ogino

- 49. Ogino issued on September 8, 2015 as U.S. Patent No. 9, 128,267. (Ex. 2015.) Apple contends that Ogino has an effective filing date of March 29,
- 2013, based upon the filing date of the corresponding Japanese patent application. (Petition at 9.)
- 50. As described in Ogino's abstract, its invention is a system of five lenses with a particular set of shapes:

An imaging lens substantially consists of, in order from an object side, five lenses of a first lens that has a positive refractive power and has a meniscus shape which is convex toward the object side, a second lens that has a biconcave shape, a third lens that has a meniscus shape which is convex toward the object side, a fourth lens that has a meniscus shape which is convex toward the image side; and a fifth lens that has a negative refractive power and has at least one inflection point on an image side surface. Further, the following conditional expression (1) is satisfied.

1.4<f/f1<4(1)

(Ex. 1005, Ogino, Abstract.)

Case Nos. IPR2020-00878 U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

- 51. This same set of shapes and conditions is described as the "imaging lens of the present invention" in Ogino's "Summary of the Invention" section. (Ex. 1005, Ogino at 2:1–16.)
- 52. Ogino describes six examples of this basic system, each of which has this same pattern of shapes:

As in the first embodiment, the imaging lenses according to the second to sixth embodiments of the present invention substantially consist of, in order from the object side, five lenses of: the first lens L1 that has a positive refractive power and has a meniscus shape which is convex toward the object side; the second lens L2 that has a biconcave shape; the third lens L3 that has a meniscus shape which is convex toward the object side; the fourth lens L4 that has a meniscus shape which is convex toward the image side; and the fifth lens L5 that has a negative refractive power and has at least one inflection point on an image side surface.

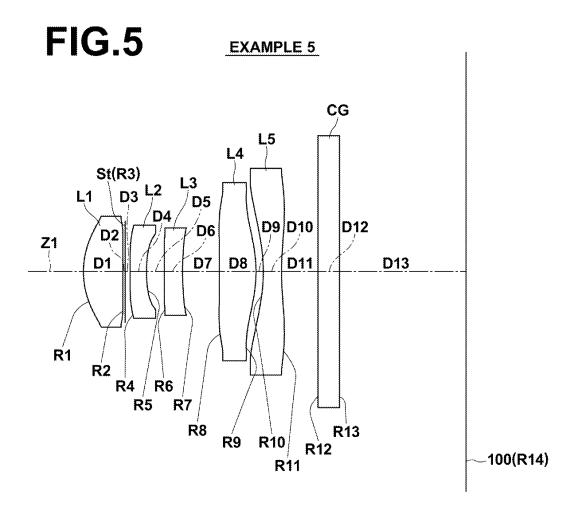
(Ex. 1005, Ogino at 13:5–16.)

53. Ogino explains the reasons for using each of these shapes, for example in lines 7:28–8:42. For example:

As shown in the embodiments, by making the first lens L1, which is a lens closest to the object, have a positive refractive power and have a meniscus shape which is convex toward the object side in the vicinity of the optical axis, the position of the rear side principal point of the first lens L1 can be set to be close to the object, and thus it is possible to appropriately reduce the total length.

(Ex. 1005, Ogino at 7:31–37.)

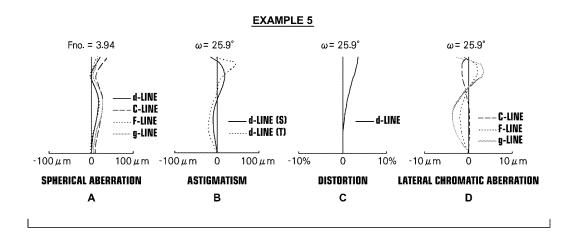
54. Apple's grounds utilizing Ogino are all based on Ogino's "Example 5" or modifications to that example. (Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl., ¶¶ 46, 51, 61.) The lens elements of Example 5 are shown in Ogino, Figure 5:



(Ex. 1005, Ogino, Figure 5.)

55. Figure 12 of Ogino provides certain optical characteristics of Example
5, including its f-number of 3.94 and half-angle of view ω=25.9°:

FIG.12



56. The lens prescription for Example 5 is given in Ogino Tables 9 and 10:

TABLE 9

EXAMPLE 5 f = 5.956, Bf = 2.438, TL = 5.171						
Si	Ri	Di	ndj	v dj		
*1	1.12444	0.546	1.54488	54.87		
*2	252.97534	0.030				
3	8	0.069				
(APERTURE						
STOP)						
*4	-18.78836	0.227	1.63351	23.63		
*5	2.25616	0.243				
*6	506.45581	0.253	1.63351	23.63		
*7	4.36560	0.506				
*8	-99.83715	0.506	1.63351	23.63		
*9	-1.70702	0.100				
*10	-2.17464	0.253	1.54488	54.87		
*11	3.61429	0.500				
12	8	0.300	1.51633	64.14		
13	8	1.740				
14	∞					

^{*}ASPHERIC SURFACE

TABLE 10

EXAMPLE 5 - ASPHERIC SURFACE DATA					
SURFACE NUMBER	KA	A4	A6	A8	
1	6.9377302E-01	-8.6315370E-03	-2.9322827E-03	-2.8236519E-01	
2	1.0000090E+00	1.0299728E-02	-3.3338883E-02	-3.5854402E-01	
3	9.8073731E+00	4.1860316E-01	2.4161475E-01	-7.6083670E-01	
4	3.1182039E+00	4.6995645E-01	1.5149631E+00	-2.7101440E+00	
5	6.1881621E-01	-1.9777356E-01	1.5104859E+00	-1.5044509E+00	
6	9.9999979E-01	-1.3815608E-01	8.2457564E-01	-4.9516542E-01	
7	3.2258104E-01	-7.2840681E-02	1.5663313E-01	9.8367802E-02	
8	-2.6292010E+00	1.1379689E-01	-1.7291781E-02	2.9845655E-02	
9	-1.4000002E+01	-4.4092972E-02	9.9278653E-02	-7.7922450E-02	
10	1.3000586E-01	-1.8315230E-01	1.3758774E-01	-9.0542240E-02	
	A 10	A12	A14	A16	
1	3.6582042E-01	-4.2487703E-01	-2.2631039E-01	-2.0344291E-02	
2	-2.1599412E-01	-4.4977846E-01	2.5600140E+00	-1.9687116E+00	
3	-7.7068397E-01	2.7743135E-01	2.0383002E+00	7.4259109E-01	
4	1.3698992E+01	-3.8132984E+01	5.1107685E+01	-2.7851932E+01	
5	1.4799995E+00	1.8815842E+01	-1.1654772E+02	1.7961509E+02	
6	2.3119410E+00	-1.5309306E+01	2.6135941E+01	-1.0762516E+01	
7	-2.7569022E-01	1.7783105E-01	-4.9261478E-02	3.9419268E-03	
8	1.7970251E-04	-2.1611961E-02	4.0098433E-03	1.4790761E-03	
9	2.0967820E-02	4.6775947E-03	-9.1757326E-04	-4.2752923E-04	
10	4.2054637E-02	-1.3115957E-02	2.7031329E-03	-1.9876871E-04	

(Ex. 1005, Ogino, column 21.)

B. Bareau

- 57. Bareau is an article by Jane Bareau and Peter P. Clark, titled "The Optics of Miniature Digital Camera Modules." (Ex. 1012.) Dr. Sasián states that this was presented at an International Optical Design Conference in June 2006 and that it was published in SPIE Proceedings Vol. 6342 "a few months after the conference." (Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl., ¶ 47.)
- 58. Apple does not rely on any detailed lens design from Bareau or any teachings of how a lens designer would create a detailed lens design. Rather, Apple and Dr. Sasián rely on Bareau listing an f-number of 2.8 in its "typical"

Case Nos. IPR2020-00878 U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

lens specifications for a ¼" sensor format." (Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl., ¶¶ 51–53; Ex. 1012, Bareau at 3–4.)

59. Other parts of Bareau illustrate an important point relevant to this IPR: the fact that you can simulate a lens design in lens design software such as Zemax does not mean that you can build that design. As Bareau explains:

Layout drawings can be very misleading. Many times we find ourselves surprised when the mechanical layout of a lens barrel that looked reasonable on paper turns out to be very difficult or impossible to fabricate. Tabs on a barrel that appear substantial in a drawing, are found to be too flimsy to function on the actual part, sharp edges on molded stops don't fill completely because the features are too small.

(Ex. 1012, Bareau at 1.)

60. Bareau explains aspects of the shape and size of lens elements, be they made out of plastic or glass, that are particularly problematic when producing miniature lenses like those at issue in this IPR:

Scaling down such a lens will result in a system that is unmanufacturable. If the design includes molded plastic optics, a scaled down system will result in element edge thicknesses shrinking to the point where the flow of plastic is affected. For glass elements, the edge thicknesses will become too thin to be fabricated without chipping.

(Ex. 1012, Bareau at 1.)

61. Bareau explains that the issue of "geometric tolerances, including both in the size and shape of individual lens elements and their alignment within

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

the overall system, "proves to be the greatest challenge of producing these

lenses." (Ex. 1012, Bareau at 3.)

62. Bareau explains that there are limits to achievable shapes in miniature

lens. For molded lenses, these limits arise from the properties of the lens ma-

terial, both in liquid form and in solid form, and from the techniques used to

make the mold inserts that the lens parts are formed in. According to Bareau:

Plastic injection molded optics have minimum edge thicknesses, minimum center thicknesses and range of acceptability for their center to edge thickness ratio that must be met in order that they can be molded. Additionally, the maximum slope that can be diamond-turned in mold inserts and measured in either the lens or the mold is around 45 degrees.

(Ex. 1012, Bareau at 8.)

63. As Bareau explains, similar limitations apply to glass lens elements:

"Traditional glass lenses have similar types of requirements but with different

values." (Ex. 1012, Bareau at 8.) In molded glass lenses, "surfaces with in-

flections can only be used under very limited circumstances and flanges can

only be formed in a restricted range of shapes, no sharp corners or abrupt

changes in slope are allowed." (Ex. 1012, Bareau at 8.)

64. I am very familiar with these issues of manufacturability, which I have

encountered frequently in my academic work.

C. Kingslake

- 65. Kingslake is a text by Rudolf Kingslake titled "Optics in Photography." (Ex. 1013.) The copyright page contains a copyright date of 1992. (Ex. 1013 at 2.) Apple cites to only a single page from this textbook, page 104. (Ex. 1013 at 3.)
- 66. This page contains the beginning of Kingslake's chapter 6, titled "The Brightness of Images." (Ex. 1013.) The only portions of Kingslake that Apple or Dr. Sasián actually quotes are from the first paragraph of this chapter:

The relation between the aperture of a lens and brightness of the image produced by it on the photographic emulsion is often misunderstood, yet it is of the greatest importance to the photographer who wishes to make the best use of the equipment. The tremendous efforts of lens designers and manufacturers that have been devoted to the production of lenses of extremely high relative aperture are an indication of the need that exists for brighter images and "faster" lenses.

(Ex. 1013, p. 104.)

67. This paragraph refers to "brighter" and "faster" lenses, which as explained above correspond to lenses with smaller f-numbers. Brighter or faster lenses have advantages, in that they are able to capture an image of a given scene with a shorter exposure (which may be desirable for fast-moving scenes) or to capture a lower-light scene with the same exposure duration.

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

68. However, simply because a property is desirable, does not make it easy

to achieve. As Kingslake says, creating lenses with small f-number has re-

quired "tremendous efforts of lens designers and manufacturers." It requires

more than simply deciding to have larger diameters of lenses and apertures.

D. Chen

69. The Chen patent issued as U.S. Patent No. 10,324,273 on June 18, 2019

and claims priority to a Chinese patent application filed August 29, 2016. (Ex.

1020, Chen.) It describes "an optical imaging lens set of five lens elements for

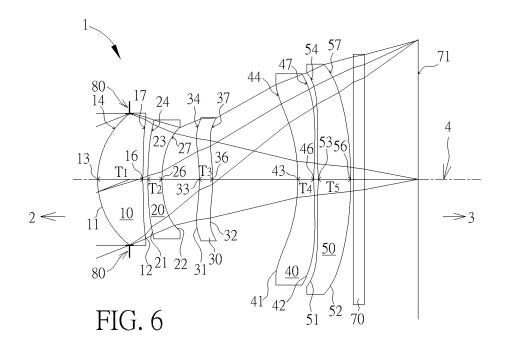
use in mobile phones, in cameras, in tablet personal computers, or in personal

digital assistants." (Ex. 1020, Chen at 1:17–19.)

70. Apple's and Dr. Sasián's obviousness arguments based on Chen are

based on a modification of Chen's Example 1, which is shown in Chen Fig-

ure 6:



(Ex. 1020, Chen, Figures 6 and 24, 2:62–63, 8:42–10:12.)

- 71. According to Chen, this lens system has an effective focal length of 6.582 mm (Ex. 1020, Chen, Figure 42) and a TTL of 6.0187 mm (Ex. 1020, Chen at 10:9.) According to Chen, "[g]enerally speaking," each of the five lens elements in this system may be made of "transparent plastic material." (Ex. 1020, Chen at 7:11–22.)
- 72. Chen also illustrates an important point concerning lens ray trace diagrams produced using lens design software, such as Chen's figure 6. The lens design software is concerned with the optically clear aperture of the lens element that light passes through and that bend that light to form an image. The

ray trace diagrams generated by software such as Zemax show those parts of the lens elements. But a physical lens element (as opposed to one simulated in software) extends beyond the shape drawn by the lens design software at the maximum diameter of where the light passes through the lens. This is illustrated by Chen Figure 1, which shows "extension parts" E that are part of the lens outside of the light bending portion:

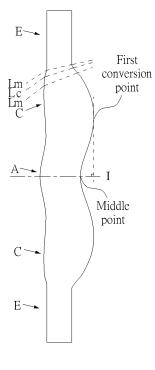


FIG. 1

(Ex. 1020, Figure 1.)

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

73. The extension parts in this lens element appear to serve as flanges for

mounting the lens element, like those described in Bareau. (Ex. 1012, Bareau

at 8.)

E. Iwasaki

74. The Iwasaki patent issued as U.S. Patent No. 9,678,310 on June 13,

2017, and it claims priority to a Japanese patent application filed March 25,

2013. (Ex. 1009.) It describes an "imaging lens . . . constituted essentially by

four or more lenses." (Ex. 1009, Iwasaki, Abstract.)

75. The only aspect of Iwasaki that Apple and Dr. Sasián rely on is the

0.145 mm cover glass used in Iwasaki's examples 1 and 2. (Ex. 1003, Sasián

Decl., ¶¶ 72–74; Ex. 1009, Iwasaki, Tables 1 and 3.)

F. Beich

76. Beich is a paper titled "Polymer Optics: A manufacturer's perspective

on the factors that contribute to successful programs," which lists William S.

Beich and Nicholas Turner as its authors. (Ex. 1007, Beich at 1.) According

to a statement on its first page, it was published in the Proceedings of SPIE in

2010. (Ex. 1007, Beich at 1.)

77. Beich discusses various considerations and rules of thumb that relate to

the manufacturability of lenses using injection molding methods. According

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

to Dr. Sasián "a POSITA looking to implement optical element specifications

using injection molding methods would look to Beich for guidance on limita-

tions and parameters that affect lens manufacturability." (Ex. 1003, Sasián

Decl., ¶ 78.)

78. Beich explains that the "unique nature of injection molding demands a

very disciplined approach during the component design and development

phase." (Ex. 1007, Beich at 2.) The paper describes aspects of the injection

molding process, such as the "runner system" of channels that convey molten

plastic into the mold insert through the sides of the lens. (Ex. 1007, Beich

at 6.) Beich explains that "[o]ptics with extremely thick centers and thin edges

are very challenging to mold," and it provides a set of "rules of thumb," in-

cluding that the center thickness to edge thickness ratio for a lens element

should be less than "3:1" and that the lens diameter tolerance is ± 0.020 mm.

(Ex. 1007, Beich at 7.)

IX. OBVIOUSNESS

A. Ground 2 – Obviousness of Claims 2, 5, 6, 18, and 21–23 over

Ogino in view of Bareau

79. According to Dr. Sasián, Ogino Example 5 satisfies each of the ele-

ments of claims 1 and 17 of the '897 patent. Dependent claims 2, 5, 6, 18, and

21–23 each add the requirement that f-number be less than 2.9, or in the case

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

of claim 23 that the f-number equal 2.8. But, Ogino Example 5 has an f-num-

ber of 3.94. Ogino Figure 12.

80. Dr. Sasián shows how Ogino Example 5 *could* be modified using the

Zemax software, to reduce the f-number while leaving all the other character-

istics of Example 5 that Apple relies on to satisfy claims 1 and 17 unchanged.

However, the fact that Dr. Sasián, a highly skilled and well-regarded lens de-

signer with decades of experience who literally "wrote the book" on the sub-

ject could modify Ogino Example 5 in this way in 2020, with the claims of

the '897 patent in front of him, does not demonstrate that a lens designer of

merely ordinary skill would have thought to follow this approach in 2013.

81. Bareau suggests that a lens with f-number of 2.8 was desirable for use

in a miniature digital camera in 2013. But Bareau also shows that lenses with

f-number 2.8 were already commercially available years earlier, in 2006.

Ogino itself describes other lenses with f-numbers of 2.45, 2.46, 2.47, 2.64,

3.04. (Ex. 1005, Figures 8–11, 13.) If a POSITA looking at Ogino felt that an

f-number of 3.94 was not suitable for their particular application and wanted

an f-number of 2.8 instead, that person would naturally look to one of Ogino's

other designs, with f-number closer to 2.8, or to one of the hundreds of other

miniature lens designs available in the patent literature or in the market. Dr.

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

Sasián provides no explanation for why a POSITA would pick Ogino Exam-

ple 5, the Ogino lens that is farthest from this desired f-number and modify it

dramatically as Dr. Sasián proposes.

82. Further, the result of Dr. Sasián's modification to Ogino Example 5

does not satisfy all of the "typical lens specifications" from Bareau. Bareau's

table of specifications lists a field of view "FOV" of 60 degrees, but Bareau

suggests that larger angles such as 66 degrees are also "typical." (Ex. 1012,

Bareau at 3.) The unmodified Ogino Example 5 has a half-angle field of view

ω=25.9°, or a full field of view of approximately 52°. Dr. Sasian's modifica-

tions reduced the field of view to " \pm -20°," i.e., to a full field of view of 40°.

(Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl. at 104 and figures on 105 and 106.) Dr. Sasián does

not explain why a POSITA seeking to modify Ogino Example 5 based upon

the specification in Bareau would modify it to satisfy one of Bareau's speci-

fications but to move further away from Bareau's other specifications.

83. Dr. Sasián does point to a patent by Parulski (Ex. 1014) as an example

of a cell phone with both wide and narrow angle lenses, but Parulski does not

specify any f-number for its narrow angle lenses. Nothing cited by Dr. Sasián

suggests that an f-number of 2.8 was desirable in the context of a narrower-

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

angle lens, and nothing suggests that a POSITA would have been motivated

to modify Ogino example 5 to reduce both the f-number and the field of view.

84. Even if there were some evidence that a POSITA would have consid-

ered the result of the modifications that Dr. Sasián performs to Ogino Example

5 to be desirable, he does not show that a POSITA would have actually fol-

lowed the approach that he describes. In modifying Ogino Example 5, Dr.

Sasián kept the number of lens elements, the powers of the lens elements, their

thicknesses, and their spacings unchanged, except for a small change to the

thickness of the first lens element. (Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl. at 104.) He made

the small change in thickness of the first lens element, from 0.546 mm (Ex.

1005, Ogino Table 9) to 0.600 mm (Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl. at 107) by hand.

(Ex. 2003, Sasián Depo. at 24:14–25:10.) By keeping these parameters

(nearly) unchanged, Dr. Sasián ensured that the values of EFL, TTL, lens

powers, and lens gaps needed to satisfy other claim elements remained un-

changed.

85. In other words, in modifying Ogino Example 5, Dr. Sasián changed the

one parameter by hand that needed to be changed to satisfy the claims, the f-

number, while forcing the other parameters to stay (nearly) the same, so that

the other parameters of the claims did not change.

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

86. This approach is a natural approach if the goal is to modify Ogino to

satisfy the '897 patent claims, but it is not the approach that a POSITA would

actually follow. A lens design such as Ogino Example 5 is defined by more

than 100 numerical parameters, shown in tables 9 and 10 of Ogino. There are

a vast number of ways that various combinations of these parameters could be

varied. Further, entire lens elements can be added or removed, substantially

increasing the space of available designs. The section of Dr. Sasián's lens de-

sign textbook that discusses using lens design software describes 20 "well-

known techniques for modifying and improving a lens" for purposes such as

to decrease the f-number. (Ex. 2004, Sasián at 133-134.) Following these

"well-known" techniques might very well have led a POSITA to change

Ogino Example 5 in a direction very different from what Dr. Sasián proposes,

in a way that did not satisfy any of the claims of the '897 patent.

87. But more fundamentally, a POSITA looking at Ogino and seeking to

meet the specifications of Bareau would have seen that there were already lens

designs in Ogino that nearly did so, such as Example 6, with its f-number of

2.64 and field of view of $2\times29.8^{\circ} = 59.6^{\circ}$. (Ex. 1005, Ogino, Figure 13.) They

would not have been motivated to instead look to modifying Example 5, just

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

to obtain a lens that was *further* from Bareau's specifications than Example

6.

88. In addition, a POSITA would have recognized that the lens design that

Dr. Sasián created was not manufacturable. That is, the lens has a shape that

lens design software such as Zemax will happily perform ray trace calcula-

tions on, but that is extremely difficult to construct in a useful physical lens.

89. I understand that Dr. Sasián has previously offered the opinion that a

POSITA would know that the lenses described in Ogino would most likely be

made of injection-molded plastic. Specifically, Dr. Sasián noted that:

While Ogino does not specifically indicate that its lens elements can be plastic, a POSITA would recognize that the index of refraction and Abbe number of the lens elements specified in Example 6 of Ogino are within the range of values of plastic materials used for cell phone lenses.

Further lens elements of the sizes and asphericities described in Ogino would preferably be made of plastic via injection molding processes. See Ex.1019, p.34.14 (pdf p.80). A POSITA would also recognize that when designing lens elements for crafting via injection molding, a number of manufacturing realities apply that all promote maximizing the thickness of the lens element at the edge.

(Ex. 2009, IPR2019-00030 Sasián Decl. at 69.)

90. While this earlier statement of Dr. Sasián relates to Ogino Example 6,

it applies similarly to Ogino Example 5. For example, the indices of refraction

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

and Abbe numbers for the materials used in Example 5 are the same as those

in Example 6 (Ex. 1005, Ogino, Tables 9, 11), indicating that the same plastic

materials were used in both examples.

91. A POSITA would understand that a lens intended for use in a compact

camera for a mobile device like Ogino (Ex. 1005, Ogino at 1:7–15) would be

made using injection molded plastic. For example, Bareau states that in min-

iature digital camera modules: "The majority of these lenses are all-plastic

although some incorporate one glass element (usually the front element) for

the advantages of high-index refraction and color correction." (Ogino Exam-

ple 5 does not follow the minority approach of a different non-plastic material

for the first lens, as the first and fifth lens both use the same material, Ex.

1005, Ogino, Table 9.) Likewise, Clark (one of the authors of the Bareau ar-

ticle) writing about mobile device camera lenses in 2014 wrote: "Conven-

tional lens designs are multi-element injection molded plastic lenses

assembled in a plastic barrel, as they were in 2006." (Ex. 2005, Clark at 3.)

92. To the extent that glass were used in a lens design such as Ogino's, it

would also be molded, as molding is the practical approach to making aspheric

lenses, such as those in Ogino:

One of the primary advantages of molded optics has always been the use of aspheric surfaces. Aspheric surfaces are simply

surfaces that are not spherical. Historically, most optical surfaces have been spherical (or flat) due to ease of fabrication and testing with the exception of molded optics. Aspheric surfaces have long been the standard in molded optics, regardless of process, again due to ease of manufacture. The mold manufacturing process is well suited to aspheric manufacturing, and only having to cut a small number of molds to make a large quantity of optics made an increase in tooling cost trivial when amortized over a molding run.

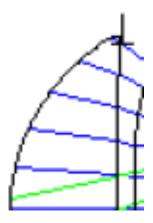
(Ex. 2006, Symmons at 6.)

93. I have written a chapter in the Handbook of Optics which contains a section on molded glass and plastic optics. (Ex. 2008, Handbook of Optics, Section 7.5.) As I explain there:

Molded lenses become especially attractive when one is designing an application that requires aspheric surfaces. Conventional techniques for polishing and grinding lenses tend to be time-expensive and do not yield good piece-to-piece uniformity. Direct molding, on the other hand, eliminates the need for any grinding or polishing.

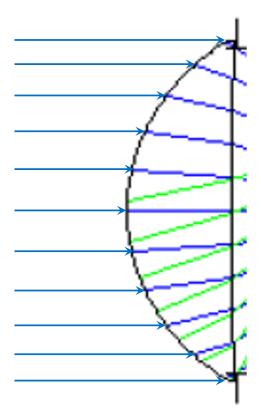
(Ex. 2008, Handbook of Optics, at 7.5–7.6.)

- 94. The modified lenses discussed by Dr. Sasián have the same indices of refraction and Abbe number as in Ogino's example 5, indicating that these modified lenses would use the same (likely plastic) materials as Ogino. (Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl. at 107, 111; Ex. 1005, Ogino, Table 9.)
- 95. The main manufacturability problems with Dr. Sasián's f-number 2.8 modification of Ogino concerns the edges of the first lens element:



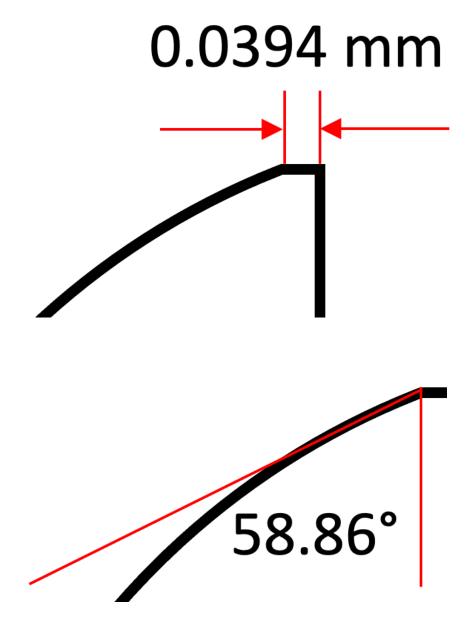
(Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl. at 107.)

96. The left surface of this of this excerpt is the object side surface of the first lens. The blue rays of this drawing are the rays of the bundle that defines the entrance pupil. As the following drawing illustrates, the light forming these blue rays enters as a bundle of parallel rays from the left before being bent by the lens front surface:



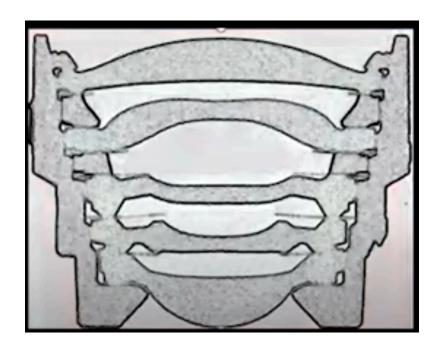
97. The entrance pupil diameter (part of the formula for f-number) is the diameter of this bundle of rays, which in turn is nearly the full diameter of the object-side lens surface in this drawing. In other words, this lens element needs to be at least the diameter shown here in order to achieve the f-number = 2.8 that Dr. Sasián sought to obtain. Put another way, the clear aperture of the first surface needs to be at least as large as shown in this drawing to achieve the f-number Dr. Sasián sought.

98. The resulting shape has a very narrow edge and a large slope at that edge. According to my calculations, the edge thickness is only 0.0394 mm (or 39.4 microns), and the slope is 58.86°:



See Appendix Section XI.A.

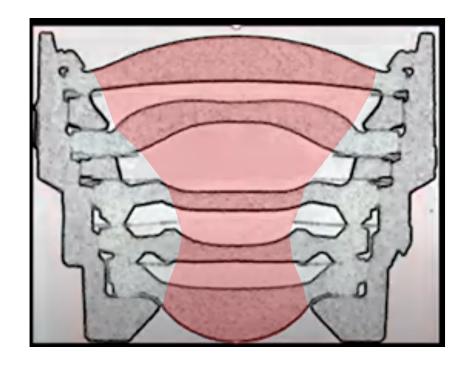
99. This edge thickness of 39.4 μ m (microns) is roughly half the width of a typical human hair, commonly taken to be 75 μ m.¹¹ This is not the edge of a realistic, practical lens. To see why, it is useful to see an actual commercial lens, as in the following X-ray CT image that I had taken as part of my work outside of this IPR¹²:



100. This lens has five plastic elements (gray), with air gaps (white) between them. The bottom of this picture is the object side, and the top is the image side. The portion of the lens that light actually passes through is (very) roughly shown in the red shading below:

¹¹ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hair%27s_breadth

¹² A YouTube video of this work is available at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E8nE8aBSiJQ.



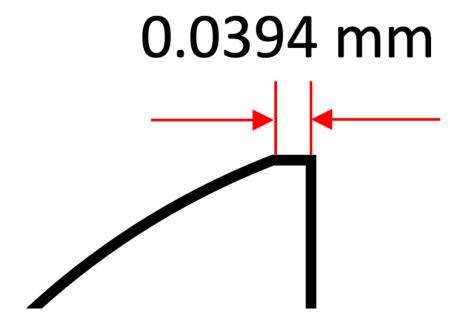
101. The thin black structures protruding from left and right are baffles. There are two important things to note concerning the lens elements in this design. First, each element has a thick mounting flange at its edge, to mount it physically to the roughly cone-shaped lens barrel. Second, the smoothly curved surfaces in the center of each lens element extend beyond the "clear aperture" where light actually passes through the lens. Parts of the curved surfaces are in the shadow of the baffles. In other words, the curved portions of the lens elements are "oversized" relative to their clear apertures.

102. Zemax's ray traces are only concerned with the parts of the lens elements that bend light, i.e., with their clear apertures. The oversized portions and the mounting portions of the lenses are not included in the Zemax designs

Case Nos. IPR2020-00878 U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

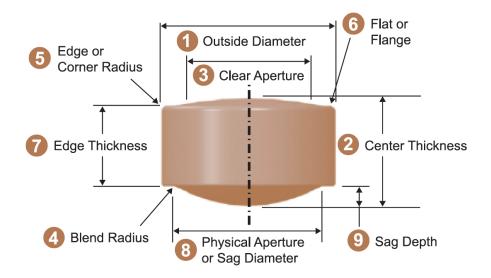
from Dr. Sasián. But a POSITA would understand they need to be there in the actual lens.

103. Oversizing is necessary because a lens cannot be made with perfectly sharp corners and edges. In molded lenses, one reason for this is surface tension of the lens material. If one attempted to inject plastic or glass into a mold with sharp corners such as shown in the Zemax drawing, the liquid would not fill the corners, but would rather form a rounded surface, which would bend light differently than the ideal shape in Zemax:



Case Nos. IPR2020-00878 U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

- 104. In addition, there are limits to the ability to make molds with such sharp corners in the first place, as the diamond-tipped tools typically used to make them have a finite width and are not infinitely sharp.
- 105. As explained in the Field Guide to Molded Optics, actual molded lenses have rounded corners:



6 Edge radius or corner radius (R_c)

The radius on the outside diameter due to volumetric molding.

(Ex. 2006, Symmons, pp. 87–88.)

106. Even if the surface tension and other limitations of injection molding were not a factor, practical lenses will have rounded or chamfered corners rather than sharp 90° corners, regardless of the technology used to make them.

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

As Dr. Sasián notes in his textbook, "[i]t is imperative that a bevel, or protec-

tive chamfer, is specified to avoid the lens edge easily chipping." (Ex. 2004,

Sasián at 112.)

107. A sharp corner is mechanically much weaker than a rounded or cham-

fered corner. For example, a Plastics Today article by Glenn Beall explains

that a corner with a 0.02-inch radius of curvature can withstand 8 times the

impact load of a corner with a 0.01-inch radius of curvature. (Ex. 2007, Beall.)

Making extremely sharp corners without chipping the lens is difficult regard-

less of the manufacturing technique used.

108. A practical lens design would use an edge shape that permitted oversiz-

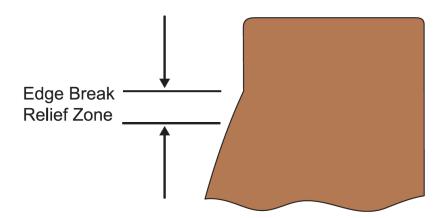
ing and rounded corners. The importance of oversizing is explained in the

Handbook of Optics (which as explained above contains a chapter by me):

Surface-tension effects may play a significant role in the accuracy to which a precision optical surface may be molded. Particularly in areas of the part where the ratio of surface area / volume is locally high (corners, edges), surface tension may create nonuniform shrinkage which propagates inward into the clear aperture, resulting in an edge rollback condition similar to that which is familiar to glass opticians. . . . These phenomena provide motivation to oversize optical elements, if possible, to a dimension considerably beyond the clear apertures. A buffer region, or an integrally molded flange provides the additional benefit of harmlessly absorbing optical inhomogeneities which typically form near the injection gate.

(Ex. 1019, Handbook of Optics, Vol. 2 at 34.16.)

109. The Field Guide suggests oversizing of around 4-10% for molded plastics:



Because of the impact of edge break, molders will require the CA size to be smaller than the full optical surface that is molded. The amount of edge relief will depend on the part size, but one millimeter or more in the radial direction is desired for parts of approximately 10 to 25 mm in diameter.

This much relief is often impractical for smaller parts, where it would be a substantial portion of their diameter. In this case, the edge break relief zone will need to scale down with the part size.

(Ex. 2006, Symmons at 103.)

110. Dr. Sasián's textbook indicates that even greater degrees of oversizing, 10-20%, are common for traditional polished glass lenses: "A common surface polishing problem is to have the very edge of the surface turned down.

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

To overcome this figuring problem, there is a tendency to specify a lens di-

ameter larger, say 10–20% larger, than the clear aperture." (Ex. 2004, Sasián

at 111.)

111. The problem with Dr. Sasián's first modified lens is that the first lens

shape leaves no room to oversize or to have rounded or chamfered corners.

Given the 0.0394 mm edge thickness and 58.86° slope, the diameter could be

increased by less than 0.030 mm before the edge thickness reached zero, i.e.,

less than 3%. And that assumes that an edge thickness of zero were possible,

which it is not.

112. These problems are further compounded by the finite precision of man-

ufacturing techniques. For example, the Beich paper cited by Dr. Sasián pro-

vides "rules of thumb" for part tolerances of "± 0.020 mm" for center

thickness and diameter, "< 0.020 mm" for the "S1 to S2 Displacement," i.e.,

the displacement between the halves of the mold forming the front and back

surfaces of the lens, and "< 0.010 mm" for "wedge," i.e., the difference in

edge thickness from one side of the lens to the other. (Ex. 1007, Beich at 7.)

Tolerances for glass molding are similar. (Ex. 2006, Symmons at 95.) As the

Field Guide notes, "high repeatability from component to component" is an

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

advantage of molded lenses over other techniques, so other techniques have

tolerance issues as well. (Ex. 2006, Symmons at 2.)

113. The presence of center thickness variation and "wedge" in the molded

parts makes the tiny edge thickness more problematic. A Zemax edge thick-

ness of 0.039 mm becomes a thickness ranging from perhaps 0.015 mm to

0.065 mm in practice.

114. Manufacturing tolerances add up. For example, the semi-diameter of

the first lens object side in the f-number 2.8 modification of Ogino is 1.0175

mm, while the aperture stop has a semi-diameter of 0.9751 mm, for a differ-

ence of only 0.0424 mm. If the lens diameter has a variation of \pm 0.020 mm,

the lens has a position offset of 0.020 mm, and the aperture stop (likely made

by molding or punching) has similar tolerances, these four variances add un-

der the root sum square rule to yield an error that goes as the square root of

the number of errors. (Ex. 2004, Sasián at 116-117.) Even if the first lens is

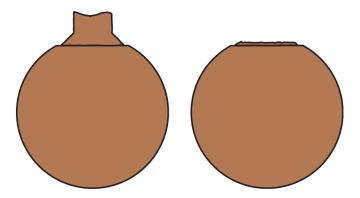
slightly oversized, these additive errors can easily lead to a situation where

there is an open gap between the first lens and the aperture, allowing light to

leak through and adding a diffuse haze to the image, something that is highly

undesirable.

115. The less-than-hair's-width edge of the first lens causes at least two further problems. First, as explained in Symmons, the injected liquid comes into the mold via runners from the side. After the part is formed, these now-solid runners must be removed: "It is then cut from the runner/gate system in a process known as degating. The degating process is not perfect and results in residual material being left on the edge of the part. This remaining plastic is called gate vestige." (Ex. 2006, Symmons at 100.) This means that the edge has to be thick enough to provide room for the liquid to flow into the mold and also needs to have space outside the clear aperture to accommodate the imperfect cut of the gate vestige:



(Ex. 2006, Symmons at 100.)

116. Bareau recognizes this problem when it refers to "element edge thicknesses shrinking to the point where the flow of plastic is affected." (Ex. 1012, Bareau at 1.) The tiny edge thickness of Dr. Sasián's modified lens simply

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

does not have enough room to allow for proper flow of the liquid or to accom-

modate runners and degating.

117. It also poses a major problem for mounting the lens element. Any ex-

tension or flange of this lens must have at least a portion that is as thin as the

edge thickness of the clear aperture, i.e., 0.0394 mm. Such thin flanges will

be difficult to form and regardless of how they are made will be vulnerable to

chipping and cracking. Indeed, the Field Guide refers to an injection molded

plastic lens with a minimum thickness of "on the order of a few hundred mi-

crons" as "extremely small." (Ex. 2006, Symmons 102.) Dr. Sasián proposes

a minimum thickness of a few tens of microns, roughly a factor of ten thinner

than what the Field Guide considers "extremely small."

118. These many issues with thin lens edges lead to a rule of thumb in the

Beich paper, which Dr. Sasián himself cites as something that a POSITA

would be motivated to follow: the "Center Thickness to Edge Thickness Ra-

tio" should be less than 3:1. (Ex. 1007, Beich at 7; Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl.,

¶ 78.) Dr. Sasián's textbook gives a similar rule of thumb, saying "the ratio of

lens central thickness to edge thickness should be larger than 3.2." (Ex. 2004,

Sasián at 194.) My chapter in the Handbook of Optics likewise says to use "a

center/edge thickness ration less than 3." (Ex. 2008, Handbook of Optics at

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

7.11.) By contrast, Dr. Sasián's design has a ratio of 0.6 mm / 0.039375 mm

= 15.238, far outside the range of what a POSITA would consider manufac-

turable.

119. While that rule of thumb applies to plastic lenses, a POSITA would

recognize that the tiny edge thickness is similarly problematic for glass lenses.

For example, the Field Guide states that "Very small edge thicknesses (<0.4

mm) should be avoided, as these lenses become very difficult to handle and

can chip easily." This chipping issue is not unique to molded glasses, but will

also apply to glass lenses formed other ways. Bareau recognizes this as a gen-

eral problem for glass lenses when it warns that "[f]or glass elements, the edge

thicknesses will become too thin to be fabricated without chipping." (Ex.

1012, Bareau at 1.) A POSITA would recognize that the edge of Dr. Sasián's

lens (0.0394 mm) is too small by a factor of ten for a glass lens.

120. Also problematic for molded glass is the steep slope of the modified

lens, 58.86°. As the Field Guide states:

The slope of a lens surface should be kept less than 55 deg for PGM. High slopes create difficultly in mold manufacture and testing. Very steep surfaces can be difficult to manufacture and difficult to measure. Precision diamond grinding is limited to just under 55 deg, but the maximum angle varies based on final geometry and manufacturer. Many surface profilometers cannot measure surfaces this steep and begin to lose accuracy at high angles.

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

(Ex. 2006, Symmons at 94.)

121. While this discussion appears in the section on glass molding, each of

these problems applies equally to molding plastic and indeed to almost any

manufacturing technique. For example, Bareau states that for plastic molding,

"the maximum slope that can be diamond-turned in mold inserts and measured

in either the lens or the mold is around 45 degrees." (Ex. 1012, Bareau at 8.)

A POSITA would recognize that the 58.86° slope in Dr. Sasián's modified

lens is not practical.

122. As this section shows, the first lens in Dr. Sasián's f-number 2.8 modi-

fication of Ogino requires unrealistic manufacturing tolerances, poses practi-

cal difficulties in manufacturing, will be vulnerable to chipping and cracking,

and will suffer from significant optical defects. A POSITA who had read my

chapter or Dr. Sasián's book would recognize that it violates manufacturing

rules of thumb.

123. Both the '897 patent and Ogino depict lenses of the type of the POSITA

would actually consider manufacturable, with curved surfaces that are over-

sized beyond the clear apertures and with relatively thick edges that facilitate

accurate manufacture and mounting:

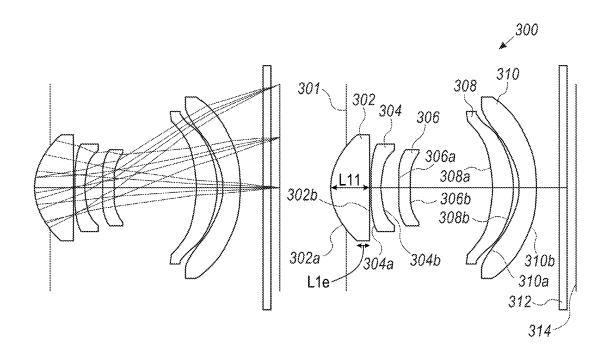
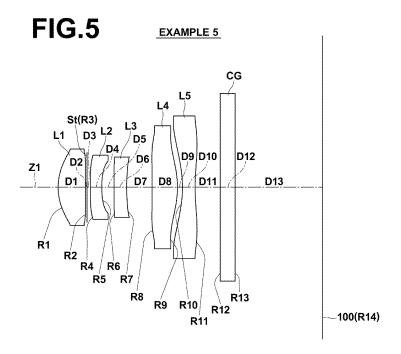


FIG. 3A

(Ex. 1001, '897 patent, Figure 3A.)



(Ex. 1005, Ogino, Figure 5.)

124. As noted above, the POSITA would not be motivated to reduce the f-number of Ogino Example 5 in the first place, because Ogino has multiple other lens designs that would be more suitable. But, if a POSITA did attempt to modify Example 5, and the best that they could achieve was this unmanufacturable design, unsuitable for use in mobile devices of the type addressed by Ogino and Bareau, the POSITA would wisely have abandoned the effort.

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

B. Ground 3 – Obviousness of Claims 3, 8, 19, and 24 over Ogino

in view of Bareau and Kingslake

125. Apple and Dr. Sasián propose a further modification to Ogino Example

5 to satisfy the limitations of claims 3, 8, 19, and 24. These claims add two

limitations that are not satisfied by the first modification to Ogino: an image-

side surface diameter between 2.3 mm and 2.5 mm for the first lens element

(claims 3 and 19) and a convex image-side surface (claims 8 and 24).

126. The image-side surface diameter of the first lens element in the first

modification of Ogino is $2 \times 0.98943 = 1.97886$ mm, outside the range required

by claims 3 and 19. This image-side surface is also concave, as shown by the

positive value of the radius of curvature (252.97534) in Dr. Sasián's lens pre-

scription. (Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl. at 107.) The fact that the first lens element

has a concave image-side surface is a feature of every example in Ogino and

is described by Ogino as a defining feature of its invention.

127. Ogino explains that its invention uses a first lens that "has a positive

refractive power and has a meniscus shape which is convex toward the object

side." (Ex. 1005, Ogino, Abstract, 13:5:10.) Ogino explains its reason for in-

cluding this feature:

by making the first lens L1, which is a lens closest to the object,

have a positive refractive power and have a meniscus shape

61

Exhibit 2001 IPR2020-00878 Page 64 of 82

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

which is convex toward the object side in the vicinity of the optical axis, the position of the rear side principal point of the first

lens L1 can be set to be close to the object, and *thus it is possi-*

ble to appropriately reduce the total length

(Ex. 1005, Ogino at 7:31–37.)

128. A "meniscus" shape is one that is convex on one side and concave on

the other, meaning that a meniscus lens that is convex toward the object side

necessarily is concave toward the image side. Dr. Sasián explains how the

meniscus lens convex toward the object side in each of Ogino's examples has

a concave image-side surface in his analysis of claim 6. (Ex. 1003, Sasián

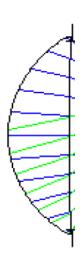
Decl. at 63–66.)

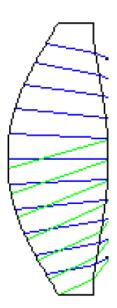
129. So, in order to satisfy these limitations of claims 3, 8, 19, and 24, Dr.

Sasián had to substantially change the shape of the first lens element, making

it much larger, and changing the image side from concave to convex, among

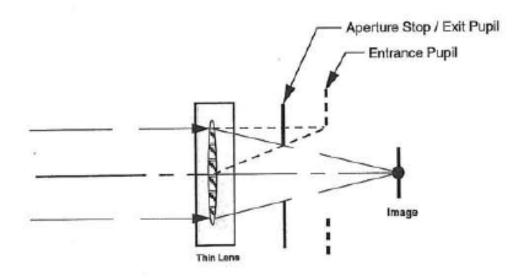
other changes:





(Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl. at 104 and 108.) Indeed, every single parameter of this lens element was changed except for the lens material. (Ex. 2003, Sasián Depo. at 48:15–24.)

130. If the goal is to increase the image-side surface diameter to be greater than 2.3 mm, that can be done in Zemax (or similar software) by increasing the entrance pupil diameter, as increasing the size of the bundle of rays entering the first lens element more-or-less mechanically requires that the first lens element, including its image-side surface, become larger:



(Ex. 1016, Walker, p. 61.)

- 131. Likewise, if the goal is to make the image-side surface convex, that can be done by hand. But the fact that these changes are possible does not explain *why* a POSITA would make these specific changes, out of all the many parameters of the design they could change.
- 132. Dr. Sasián's declaration and testimony are very unclear on what process he used, let alone why he used that process. The result of his changes has an image-side surface diameter of $2\times1.17086\approx2.34$ mm and a convex image-side surface. (Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl. at 108.) The stated reason for the modifications was to further reduce f-number below 2.8. (Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl., ¶¶ 61–64.) Dr. Sasián cites general statements suggesting lower f-numbers are desirable, but the only specific f-numbers that he points to that are less than

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

2.8 are the f-numbers in example 1–3 and 6 of Ogino. (Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl.,

¶ 62.)

133. As I explained above, if the goal of a POSITA aware of Ogino was to

use a lens with small f-number such as 2.45, the natural and obvious thing to

do would be to use one of Ogino's small f-number examples, not to take the

example with the largest f-number and modify it beyond recognition. How-

ever, even if the small f-number examples in Ogino did suggest to a POSITA

that they should reduce the f-number of Example 5, they would not suggest

reducing it to be even lower than 2.45.

134. According to Dr. Sasián's declaration, the second modification of

Ogino has an f-number of 2.12. (Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl. at 108.) This value is

consistent with his values of EFL = 5.49 and EPD = 2.59, because 5.49 / 2.59

= 2.12. This suggests that these numbers actually came from some calculation

in Zemax or elsewhere and are not simply a typographical error.

135. I understand that during his deposition, Dr. Sasián testified that the val-

ues on page 108 of his declaration should actually be EPD = 2.239 and f-

number = 2.45, based on a file that he found on a backup drive during a break

in the deposition. (Ex. 2003, Sasián Depo. at 58:23–59:16.) It is difficult to

evaluate that testimony, as I understand that Apple has not made a copy of that backup file available to Corephotonics or to me to analyze.

136. It is similarly unclear how Dr. Sasián obtained a design with a convex image-side of the first lens. The blank box to the right of the radius of curvature for this image-side surface indicates that this value was fixed (and thus that surface was fixed to be convex) during the run of Zemax that produced the screen capture:

()) Le	Lens Data Editor							
Edit	Solves View	Help						
	Surf:Type	Comment	Radius					
OBJ	Standard		Infinity					
1	Even Asph		1.606950699					
2	Even Asph		-2.94377806					
STO	Standard		Infinity	Ī				
4	Even Asph		-18.7883600					

(Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl. at 111; Ex. 2003, Sasián Depo. at 49:20-50:16.)

137. So, in this particular Zemax optimization, the output had a convex image-side of the first lens because that property had been fixed in place. Dr. Sasián testified that this value had "most likely" been produced by a Zemax optimizer in an earlier stage of his work. (Ex. 2003, Sasián Depo. at

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

49:20–50:1.) But he could not remember any of the details of how he had

generated those values, answering a series of questions about this with "prob-

ably," "perhaps," "I don't remember exactly the sequence," "it appears," "I

don't recall," etc. (Ex. 2003, Sasián Depo. at 50:18-53:9.) Nothing in his dec-

laration explains these details, either.

138. At most, the declaration shows that Dr. Sasián, a highly experi-

enced lens designer with a copy of the '897 patent claims in front of him, was

able to create a lens system that completely replaced the first lens of Ogino

Example 5 with a very different lens that satisfied claims 3, 8, 19, 24. In the

process he ignored Ogino's own teachings about the importance of the menis-

cus-shaped first lens to reduce the total length.

139. However, Dr. Sasián does not explain why he did it or how he

did it in 2020, let alone why a **POSITA** would have been motivated to make

these changes years earlier. For example, he does not cite to any example of a

system with a bi-convex lens that would have motivated the POSITA to try

this approach, and he doesn't explain any benefits that flow from this change.

Indeed, the only reason he gives for changing the radii of curvature of the first

lens at all (let alone flipping one from a concave positive radius to a convex

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

negative radius) is a vague statement that he did it "due to the location of the

aperture." (Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl. at 108.)

140. Dr. Sasián's declaration shows that a highly-skilled designer

could have designed a lens that met claims 3, 8, 19, and 24 if given that spe-

cific task. He provides no explanation for why a POSITA would have made

the specific changes he made the first lens of Example 5, or why that POSITA

would have even started with Ogino's f-number 3.94 lens if her goal were to

have a lens with an f-number that matched Ogino's other examples.

C. Ground 4 – Obviousness of Claims 16 and 30 over Chen in

view of Iwasaki and Beich

141. A POSITA would not have been motivated to make the combination

proposed by Dr. Sasián for ground 4, for many of the same reasons as I ex-

plained in my discussion of ground 2. The combination of Chen, Iwasaki, and

Beich uses a first lens taken from Chen's first example. (Ex. 1003, Sasián

Decl., ¶ 74, p. 115; Ex. 1020, Chen, Figure 24.) However, Chen does not spec-

ify the diameter or the edge thickness of this lens.

142. Dr. Sasián suggests that a POSITA would choose a semi-diameter for

this first lens (or at least for its object-side surface) of 1.2375 mm, barely

0.004 mm larger than the semi-diameter of the stop, 1.2333 mm. (Ex. 1003,

68

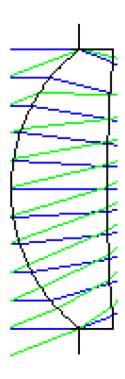
Exhibit 2001 IPR2020-00878

Page 71 of 82

Case Nos. IPR2020-00878 U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

Sasián Decl. at 115.) He finds that this lens would have a center-to-edge thickness ratio of 2.92, just under the value of 3 required by claims 16 and 30.

143. This diameter is essentially the smallest that it could be without disrupting other characteristics of Chen that Dr. Sasián relies upon, such as its fnumber. The entrance pupil diameter equals the width of the bunch of parallel blue rays entering the lens from the left, shown in Dr. Sasián's ray trace:



(Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl. at 112.)

144. As this shows, the bundle, and thus the entrance pupil, extends all the way across the left surface of the lens. Apple has not proposed making the

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

lens smaller, but if it had, the lens cannot be made smaller without reducing

the entrance pupil diameter and increasing the f-number.

145. Likewise, Apple has not proposed making the lens larger. But, if it had,

the largest that the lens semi-diameter could be without increasing the center-

to-edge thickness ratio above 3 would be less than 1.249 mm, approximately

0.012 mm larger (less than 1% larger) than Dr. Sasián proposes. See Appendix

Section XI.B.

146. As I explained above, the manufacturing tolerances of lens fabrication

do not permit a design such as this. According to Dr. Sasián, a POSITA would

have made this lens using injection molded plastic and would have been mo-

tivated to choose this lens diameter based on the Beich paper. The Beich paper

also says that the tolerance for the diameter of the lens is " \pm 0.020 mm," and

that the displacement between the front surface of the lens and the back sur-

face is "< 0.020 mm."

147. As noted above, the semi-diameter of the first lens is only 0.004 mm

larger than the stop. If the lens is too small by 0.020 mm in diameter

(0.010 mm in semi-diameter), this will make the semi-diameter of the first

lens *smaller* than the semi-diameter of the stop by 6 µm. This is even without

taking into account other sources of variation in the diameter of the stop and

70

Exhibit 2001 IPR2020-00878 Page 73 of 82

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

the alignment of the components. A first lens smaller than the stop will mean

that light will leak and scatter around the lens and cause a haze in the image

that is highly undesirable. For this reason alone, a POSITA would make the

first lens from Chen larger in diameter than Dr. Sasián proposes, something

that Dr. Sasián does not consider.

148. But even if Dr. Sasián had proposed increasing the size of the lens to

be as large as possible while keeping the thickness ratio under 3, the largest

possible semidiameter (under 1.249 mm) would be less than 0.016 mm larger

than the stop. A POSITA would recognize that this is unacceptable, given the

multiple sources of manufacturing variation of the order of 0.010 mm in semi-

diameter and adding under the root sum square rule. (Ex. 2004, Sasián at 116–

117.)

149. The lens is unacceptable even without taking into account the need to

oversize "considerably beyond the clear apertures" (Ex. 1019, Handbook of

Optics, Vol. 2 at 34.16.) or by around 4–10% (Ex. 2006, Symmons at 103), or

the need for room for rounded corners, discussed in connection with ground 2.

150. Oversizing the 1.2374 mm semi-diameter surface by even 1% (far less

than is required in practice) would make it 1.2499 mm in semi-diameter and

U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

would make the center-to-edge thickness ratio greater than 3. See Appendix

Section XI.B.

151. For these reasons, a POSITA would recognize that the combination of

Chen, Iwasaki, and Beich proposed by Dr. Sasián would not be a practical

lens, based on the very manufacturing rules of thumb in Beich, among other

reasons. Even if a POSITA was motivated to make a lens with center-to-edge

thickness ratio less than 3, that POSITA would not have been motivated to

make the Chen Example 1 lens with that ratio, as proposed by Dr. Sasián.

X. DECLARATION

152. I declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true,

that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and

that these statements were made with knowledge that willful false statements

so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001

of Title 18 of the United States Code.

Executed on February 12, 2021

Tom D. Milster, Ph.D.

Com a Milatan

XI. APPENDIX

153. This appendix describes analysis that I performed of certain of Dr. Sasián's modified lens designs using version Zemax OpticStudio 19.4 SP2 Version July 31, 2019 and other software tools.

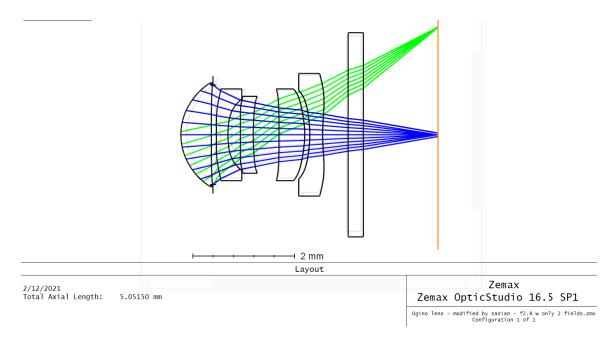
A. Ogino Example 5 modified for f-number 2.8

154. In order to determine the edge thickness of the first lens element in this modification to Ogino, I entered the lens prescription from Dr. Sasián's Appendix into Zemax:

1	Surface	е Туре	Comment	Radius	Thickness	Material	Clear Semi-Dia	Mech Semi-Dia	Conic
0	OBJECT	Standard ▼		Infinity	Infinity		Infinity	Infinity	0.0000000000
1	Ever	n Asphere 🔻		1.12444000	0.60000000	1.54,54.9 N	1.01749572	1.01749572	-0.0232105800
2	Ever	n Asphere 🔻		252.975340	0.03000000		0.98943052	1.01749572	9.000000000E-06
3	STOP	Standard ▼		Infinity	0.06900000		0.97614059	0.97614059	0.0000000000
4	Ever	n Asphere 🔻		-18.788360	0.22700000	1.63,23.6 N	0.90041398	0.90041398	8.8073731000
5	(aper) Ever	n Asphere 🕶		2.25616000	0.24300000		0.70000000 U	0.90041398	2.1182039000
6	Ever	n Asphere 🔻		506.455810	0.25300000	1.63,23.6 N	0.72452476	0.75453459	-0.3811837300
7	Ever	n Asphere 🔻		4.36560000	0.50600000		0.75453459	0.75453459	-2.1000000000E
8	(aper) Ever	n Asphere 🔻		-99.837150	0.50600000	1.63,23.6 N	0.90000000 U	0.90000000	-0.6774189600
9	(aper) Ever	n Asphere 🔻		-1.7070200	0.10000000		0.90000000 U	0.90000000	-3.6292010000
10	(aper) Ever	n Asphere 🔻		-2.1746400	0.25300000	1.54,54.9 N	0.87000000 U	1.20000000	-15.0000200000
11	(aper) Ever	n Asphere 🔻		3.61429000	0.50000000		1.20000000 U	1.20000000	-0.8699941400
12	(aper)	Standard ▼		Infinity	0.30000000	1.52,64.1 N	2.00000000 U	2.00000000	0.0000000000
13	(aper)	Standard ▼		Infinity	1.46449601 M		2.00000000 U	2.00000000	0.0000000000
14	IMAGE	Standard ▼		Infinity	-		2.25000000 U	2.25000000	0.0000000000

4th Order Term	6th Order Term
-0.0103234500	-0.0389033400
0.0153195140	4.9453000000E-03
0.3921074730	-0.2861707000
0.5855676230	0.1128867410
-0.0534166900	0.4441811130
-0.1591027500	0.3418778920
-0.0317227500	-0.0497843000
0.2786585180	-0.3763254800
0.0625068120	-0.3023847100
-0.2030606000	0.0542779040

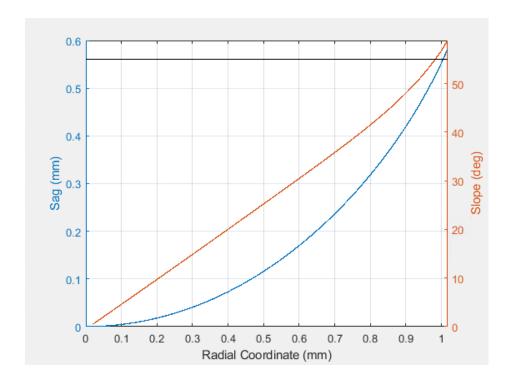
155. I obtained a ray trace consistent with Dr. Sasián's:

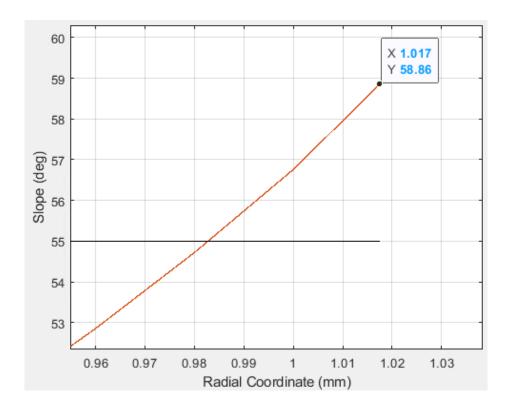


156. Using the same features of Zemax as Dr. Sasián used to determine the edge thickness of a different lens (Ex. 1003, Sasián Decl. at 116), I calculated the edge thickness of this first lens element (surface 1 in this table) to be 0.0394 mm:

EDGE	THICKNESS DATA:
Surf	Edge
1	0.039375
2	0.008743
ST0	0.152534
4	0.415597
5	0.013072
6	0.288015
7	0.377455
8	0.335243
9	0.102475
10	0.413544
11	0.559065
12	0.300000
13	1.464496
IMA	0.000000

157. I also calculated the slope of the object-side surface of the first lens at the near the edge of the lens (radius 1.017 mm from optical axis) using the Matlab software. As shown in the following screen capture, I calculated the slope to be 58.86 degrees:



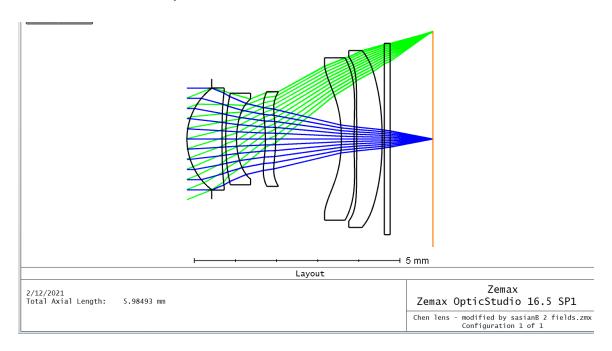


B. Modified Chen Example 1

- 158. I also determined how much the semi-diameter of the first lens of Chen could be increased (oversized) before the center-to-edge thickness ratio exceeded 3.
- 159. I entered the lens prescription from Dr. Sasián's Appendix into Zemax:

1	Surface Type	Comment	Radius	Thickness		Material		Coating	Clear Semi-Dia	Mech Semi-Dia	Conic
0	OBJECT Standard ▼		Infinity	Infinity					Infinity	Infinity	0.0000000000
1	Standard ▼		Infinity	0.60200000					1.47270807	1.47270807	0.0000000000
2	STOP Standard ▼		Infinity	-0.6020000					1.23332572	1.23332572	0.0000000000
3	Even Asphere ▼		1.56500000	0.85500000		1.54,56.0	M		1.23752254	1.23752254	0.0000000000
4	Even Asphere ▼		34.4640000	0.08800000					1.16228726	1.23752254	0.0000000000
5	Even Asphere ▼		6.07900000	0.26400000		1.64,22.4	M		1.11069106	1.11069106	0.0000000000
6	Even Asphere ▼		1.95500000	0.70400000					0.97129262	1.11069106	0.0000000000
7	Even Asphere ▼		-3.4120000	0.24900000		1.54,56.0	М		1.13204884	1.15059251	0.0000000000
8	Even Asphere ▼		-3.3300000	1.59800000					1.15059251	1.15059251	0.0000000000
9	Even Asphere ▼		-4.2830000	0.31000000		1.54,56.0	М		1.77040329	1.96812158	0.0000000000
10	Even Asphere ▼		16.3270000	0.06400000					1.96812158	1.96812158	0.0000000000
11	Even Asphere ▼		-61.049000	0.61900000		1.64,22.4	M		1.99558556	2.14712815	0.0000000000
12	Even Asphere ▼		-8.6800000	0.05000000					2.14712815	2.14712815	0.0000000000
13	Standard ▼		Infinity	0.14500000		1.52,64.2	M		2.29436157	2.31988725	0.0000000000
14	Standard ▼		Infinity	1.03892862	М				2.31988725	2.31988725	0.0000000000
15	IMAGE Standard ▼		Infinity	-					2.62171118	2.62171118	0.0000000000

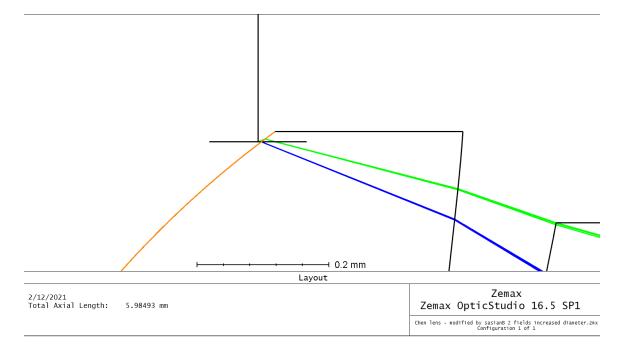
160. I obtained a ray trace consistent with Dr. Sasián's:



161. I then modified the semi-diameter of the object-side surface of the first lens to be greater than Dr. Sasián's value of 1.2375 mm. I found that increasing the semi-diameter to be 1.249 mm or greater resulted in an edge thickness

of less than 0.285 mm and in a center-to-edge thickness ratio of less than 0.855 mm / 0.285 mm = 3.

162. This can be seen in the following ray trace and tables, which show the semi-diameters of the surfaces of the first lens (surfaces 3 and 4) increased to 1.249 mm. The edge thickness is 0.284927 mm (surface 3), i.e., less than 0.285 mm. As the surfaces of this lens grow closer as you go away from the optical axis, increasing the semi-diameter beyond 1.249 mm will further reduce the edge thickness and increase the center-to-edge thickness ratio.



Case Nos. IPR2020-00878 U.S. Patent No. 10,330,897

1	Su	rface Type	Material		Coating	Clear Semi-Dia	Mech Semi-Dia	Conic
0	OBJECT	Standard ▼				Infinity	Infinity	0.0000000000
1		Standard ▼				1.47270807	1.47270807	0.0000000000
2	STOP	Standard ▼				1.23332572	1.23332572	0.0000000000
3	(aper)	Even Asphere 🕶	1.54,56.0	М		1.24900000 U	1.24900000	0.0000000000
4	(aper)	Even Asphere 🔻				1.24900000 U	1.24900000	0.0000000000
5		Even Asphere 🔻	1.64,22.4	M		1.11069106	1.11069106	0.0000000000
6		Even Asphere 🔻				0.97129262	1.11069106	0.0000000000
7		Even Asphere 🕶	1.54,56.0	M		1.13204884	1.15059251	0.0000000000
8		Even Asphere 🔻				1.15059251	1.15059251	0.0000000000
9		Even Asphere 🕶	1.54,56.0	М		1.77040329	1.96812158	0.0000000000
10		Even Asphere 🔻				1.96812158	1.96812158	0.0000000000
11		Even Asphere 🕶	1.64,22.4	М		1.99558556	2.14712815	0.0000000000
12		Even Asphere 🔻				2.14712815	2.14712815	0.0000000000
13		Standard ▼	1.52,64.2	M		2.29436157	2.31988725	0.0000000000
14		Standard ▼				2.31988725	2.31988725	0.0000000000
15	IMAGE	Standard ▼				2.62171118	2.62171118	0.0000000000
			<					

EDGE THICKNESS DATA:

Surf	Edge
1	0.602000
ST0	0.026069
3	0.284927
4	0.141605
5	0.493827
6	0.388063
7	0.290968
8	1.122661
9	0.498403
10	0.088429
11	0.323001
12	0.541046
13	0.145000
14	1.038929
IMA	0.000000