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9		21	Ms. Rachel Carrick, Technician
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1	(Cont'd.): Exhibit 1105	Reply Declaration of	244	1 Overy on the line today.	
	EXHIBIT 1103	Horst Koller Regeneron 1105.001 -	277	2 KOLLER HORST,	
	Evhibi+ 1106	Regeneron 1105.188	310	3 called as a witness herein, having been first duly	
	EXHIBIT 1100	Reply Declaration of Dr. Szilard Kiss Regeneron 1106.001 -	310	4 sworn was examined and testified virtually as	
		Regeneron 1106.035		5 follows:	
	Exhibit 1214	Drug Delivery Technology Delivering Therapeutic siRNA	333	6 EXAMINATION	
		Regeneron 1214.001 - Regeneron 1214.076		7 BY MR. JAMES:	
0	Exhibit 2030	Cell and Protein	277	8 Q Hello, Mr. Koller.	
1		Compatibility of Parylene-C Surfaces Novartis Exhibit 2030.001	_	9 A Good morning, Mr. James.	
2		Novartis Exhibit 2030.008		10 Q Thank you for taking the time to talk to	
1	Exhibit 2115	Process Review Summary GENEITC_1207-0002409 -	374	11 us.	
5	Exhibit 2121	GENEITC_1207-0002416 License and Collaboration	318	So just, let's see, we took your	
5	EXIIIDIC ETET	Agreement Novartis 2121.001 -		13 deposition last December, do you recall that?	
,		Novartis 2121.0023		14 A Right, I recall that.	
3				15 Q And have you given any other testimony	
)				16 since that time?	
)				17 A No, I haven't.	
				18 Q Have you picked up any additional	
				19 consulting work on prefilled syringes since that	
				20 time?	
				21 A Yes, I have.	
				22 Q For Regeneron?	
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	MS. F	REPORTER: Here be	egins the	1 A No.	
	videoconfo	erence deposition of k	Coller Horst in the	2 Q Does the prefilled syringe let me	
3 matter of Regeneron versus Novartis.			artis.	3 strike that.	
Today's date is May 16, 2022, and the time			22, and the time	4 Is it a prefilled syringe for intravitreal	
		., Central Time.		5 administration?	
5 is 6:03 a.m., Central Time. 6 My name is Stephanie Battaglia of Planet			aglia of Planet	6 A I am not sure yet because I am helping	
7 Depos.			C	7 this company to build up an overall syringe	
		ning with the noticing	narty, will	8 business, so it is not specific product-related,	
8 Beginning with the noticing party, will 9 counsel please introduce themselves, state whom			1 .	9 it is more from the technical point of view how	v to
10 they represent, and stipulate to the swearing in				10 make a syringe pump basically.	,
11 of the witness remotely.			ne swearing in	11 Q I see.	
2		ames?		12 Can you tell me what you did to prepare	
3		JAMES: My name is	William James from	13 for your deposition today?	
14 Allen & Overy on behalf of the Patentee Novartis,			· ·		
15 and I can confirm that I agree to that.				15 declaration with related exhibits.	
1 1			_	16 Q Anything else?	
-				17 A I had a couple of talks with my counsel.	
	with Weil,			18 Q Other than counsel did you speak with	
8		va and Andrew Gesio	r with Regeneron, and	19 anybody else about your deposition?	
9		**			
9.0) we confirm			20 A No.	
18 19 20) we confirm MR. J	n as well. [AMES: If I could : also have Matthew M	=	 20 A No. 21 Q When did you speak with counsel? 22 A Last week. 	

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1 Q On how many occasions?	1 Q And can you just tell me generally what			
2 A It was three occasions.	2 11135 is about?			
3 Q For approximately how long in total?	3 A It shows you this is a guideline on			
4 A Between eight and ten hours.	4 process development or cycle development, possible			
5 Q Did you review any documents in	5 related validation of EtO cycling, and it gives			
6 preparation for your deposition other than the	6 you a couple of options how to do that and how to			
7 documents that are cited in your reply	7 approach that.			
8 declaration?	8 Q Does it talk about the validation of a			
9 MR. PEPE: Objection to the extent it	9 sterility assurance level?			
10 calls for privilege.	10 A It is mentioning sterility assurance level			
Horst, you can answer yes or no if you	11 in general terms.			
12 remember.	12 Q Does it provide for a method of achieving			
13 THE WITNESS: Yes, I remember.	13 any particular sterility assurance level?			
14 BY MR. JAMES:	14 A It is giving you a proposal how to achieve			
15 Q You recall reviewing documents outside of	15 the for the product specific required sterility			
16 the documents that are cited in your declaration?	16 assurance level.			
17 A Yes.	17 Q So the process would be able to achieve a			
18 Q Were those scientific articles?	18 sterility assurance level of, for example, 10 to			
19 A One I was mentioning was an ISO standard.	19 the minus 3, is that right?			
20 Q Which ISO standard is that?	20 A It would give you guideline to do that if			
21 A It is ISO standard 11135.	21 you pre-specify SAL 10 to the minus 3, yes.			
22 Q And why did you review that ISO standard	22 Q And if you elected to you could select a			
240	242			
1 standard?	1 different SAL such as 10 to the minus 6, would			
2 MR. PEPE: Objection, calls for privilege.	2 that be right?			
3 Horst, you can answer to the extent you	3 A Yes. Then you need to follow a certain			
4 can do so without divulging any of the	4 principle, which is pretty much the same. The			
5 communications we had during our meetings.	5 principals there are described in general terms,			
6 THE WITNESS: This standard talks about	6 and then depending on the required SAL they just			
7 EtO sterilization and process.	7 you know what you would need to do.			
8 BY MR. JAMES:	8 Q Does it indicate in the ISO 11135 that the			
9 Q Beyond ethylene oxide sterilization and	9 ethylene oxide can damage some drug products?			
10 processes do you recall any other any of the	10 MR. PEPE: Object to form.			
11 other contents of ISO 11135?	11 THE WITNESS: I would need to pull it up.			
12 A No.	12 I mean, it is divided into whether it addresses			
13 Q Was that ISO standard cited by an expert	13 two parts, one is the sterility part and one is			
14 in this matter?	14 the functional terms of the device to sterilize.			
15 A I would need to go back to my original	15 BY MR. JAMES:			
16 declaration if it was not cited, I am not sure	16 Q The actual device that's used?			
17 if I gave that as an answer to you that you might	17 A They talk about device in general terms,			
18 follow certain ISO standards which are related to	18 they don't give specifics, give specific — it			
19 ASTM standards, but I am not too familiar from	19 gives a guidance how to achieve — what kind of			
20 European standards with ASTM standards so my focus	20 approaches you have to achieve certain SAL levels,			
21 was usually more on the ISO standard, this is	21 and one is focusing on the microbiology, which is			
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22 the sterility, and then it gives the indication to



22 where the relation comes from.

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1 say, okay, that functional performance needs to be	1 Q And how many hours did you spend putting		
2 checked as part of the overall approach.	2 this together, Mr. Koller?		
3 Q Mr. Koller, do you have a copy of	3 A In total 50, 50, 60 hours.		
4 Boulange?	4 Q And would you say you spent more time on		
5 A Yes, if you can send me the exhibit	5 it or the lawyers?		
6 number, I have a bunch of files here from the list	6 A I spent more -		
7 with tab numbers and exhibit numbers.	7 MR. PEPE: Object to form, calls for		
8 Q Okay, one moment.	8 speculation.		
9 A I think this is Boulange, it is 1008.	9 THE WITNESS: I mean, I don't know how		
10 Q That's right, yes. So if you can open	10 much time the lawyers spent, but it is based on my		
11 Exhibit 1008, please.	11 original declaration, which is baseline for my		
12 (Document identified as Exhibit 1008 for	12 reply declaration, so, as I said, I spent		
identification.)	13 approximately 50 to 60 hours.		
14 BY MR. JAMES:	14 BY MR. JAMES:		
15 Q Do you have a copy of your declaration	15 Q And how did the process work, did you		
16 sorry, your reply declaration there in front of	16 actually draft this declaration on the computer or		
17 you?	17 did you or did the lawyers provide you with the		
18 A It's listed as Exhibit 1003.	18 drafts?		
19 (Document identified as Exhibit 1003 for	19 MR. PEPE: Object to form.		
20 identification.)	20 THE WITNESS: The lawyers provided me with		
21 BY MR. JAMES:	21 a general draft and then I was going through and		
22 Q I believe Exhibit 1003 was original	22 made my expert comments and then they had me to		
244	246		
1 declaration in the IPR.	1 put it into the right language. As you might hear		
2 Your reply declaration is Exhibit 1105.	2 English is not native language, so they helped me		
3 THE TECHNICIAN: Sir, I have that as	3 also in sort of some of the language issues I had		
4 Tab 67.	4 here.		
5 MR. JAMES: I apologize.	5 BY MR. JAMES:		
6 THE WITNESS: I just found it.	6 Q So they provided you with a draft and then		
7 MR. JAMES: I will try to call the tabs	7 you provided comments and they helped with the		
8 out. I appreciate the help.	8 language, is that right?		
9 (Document identified as Exhibit 1105 for	9 A That's right.		
10 identification.)	10 MR. PEPE: Object to form.		
11 THE WITNESS: I have now my reply	11 BY MR. JAMES:		
12 declaration and Boulange patent in front of me.	12 Q And if you could look at Paragraph 28 I		
13 BY MR. JAMES:	13 am going to apologize, I am going to be jumping		
14 Q Okay, great.	14 around a little bit today, sorry for that.		
15 It is a patent application, right?	15 A 28.		
16 A It is a WO number, yes.	16 Q 28, yes.		
17 Q It's a patent application, correct?	28 is under a heading where you say that		
18 A Patent application.	18 the Parylene-C wouldn't need to come into contact		
19 Q And then this declaration, 1105, your rely	19 with the VEGF-Antagonist, right?		
20 declaration, it was signed by you on the 12th of	20 A Right.		
21 April of this year, is that right?	21 Q And in the middle of the paragraph you say		
00 A TIL - 412 - 1.4	22 that Davidance describes that the Damilana C		

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22 that Boulange describes that the Parylene-C

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