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# Life Science IP Webinar Program & Invitation

Wednesday, June 9, 2021



# Welcome

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We cordially invite you to the 2021 edition of Hoffmann Eitle's Life Science IP Seminar.

Our seminar has been held every two years for over two decades now, and we have always been fortunate enough to have an interested audience and many repeat attendees. Due to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, we are unfortunately not able to host you all in person in 2021.

However, we have decided not to completely cancel the event, and so instead of a conventional conference we will put on an abbreviated version using a videoconferencing format. The seminar will consist of four presentations, and will be free of charge.

We hope that some or all of the selected topics will be of interest to you, and look forward to a lively exchange of views and opinions in the Q&A sessions. Everyone at Hoffmann Eitle very much misses our personal interactions with our clients and friends, and we look forward to seeing you all in person soon. But in the meantime, a virtual meeting is the best we can do and we are confident that it will be informative, interesting and fun for all.

If you intend to take part, we would be grateful if you could register by the indicated deadline to assist our event planning.

We look forward to welcoming you to our virtual event!

**Daniel Grohs | Morten Garberg**  
Seminar Chairmen

## LANGUAGE

English

## DATE

June 9, 2021

## COSTS

Free of charge

## REGISTRATION

Please submit your application as soon as possible and no later than May 25, 2021. Early booking is particularly appreciated to secure participation.

## CONTACT FOR BOOKING

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**10:30 Welcome – Introduction | M. Garberg**

**10:35 Key developments at the EPO in 2020 & 2021 | M. Garberg**

- Oral proceedings by video conference
- New rules of procedure of the Boards of Appeal
- Selected case law highlights
- Q & A

**11:20 Inventive step in Germany and at the EPO – Equal but different or different but equal? | D. Grohs**

- Technical effects and plausibility
- Non-obvious alternatives
- Possible amendments of the German Patent Act – Section 81(2)
- End of the injunction Gap?
- Q & A

**12:10 Lunch Break**

**13:00 SPC case law and practice – An update | J. Zillies**

- When is a product considered protected by a basic patent in terms of Article 3a) of Regulation No. (EU) 469/2009?
  - The implementation of CJEU ruling C-121/17 (Teva vs Gilead) by the German FCJ in its Truvada decision
  - CJEU ruling C-650/17 (Royalty Pharma vs German FPC)
- The first marketing authorization in terms of Article 3d) of Regulation No. (EU) 469/2009
  - CJEU ruling C-673/18 (Santen)
- Changes to UK SPC practice following Brexit
- Q & A

**13:50 Antibody claims at the EPO: Is there still scope beyond structure? | A. Stefferl**

- The EPO is paring back on claim breadth for antibody inventions
- The current guidelines document the more restrictive approach
- The inventive effect dictates claim breadth
- Applicants must probe new technical arguments to defend breadth
- Q & A

**14:40 End of conference**

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