



PATENTS ACT 1977

PARTIES	Robert Timothy Gros, Dr Peter Vincent Smallwood and Jonathan Hibbard
ISSUE	Mention of additional inventors for patent number GB2501940
HEARING OFFICER	Susan Eaves

DECISION

- 1 Dr Peter Vincent Smallwood filed an application in accordance with rule 10(2) of the Patents Rules 2007 to the effect that Dr Peter Vincent Smallwood and Jonathan Hibbard should be named as joint inventors.
- 2 In the absence of written consent from Robert Timothy Gros and Jonathan Hibbard, the office wrote to them allowing a period of six weeks to file a counterstatement should they wish to oppose the application. Robert Timothy Gros, the patent proprietor filed written consent in support of the application. No response has been received from Jonathan Hibbard. As such the application is treated as unopposed. I therefore conclude that Dr Peter Vincent Smallwood and Jonathan Hibbard should be named as joint inventors, along with Robert Timothy Gros.
- 3 Accordingly I find that Dr Peter Vincent Smallwood and Jonathan Hibbard should be mentioned as joint inventors in the published patent application and granted patent for the invention. I therefore direct, in accordance with rule 10(1), that an addendum slip mentioning Dr Peter Vincent Smallwood and Jonathan Hibbard as joint inventors be prepared for the published patent application and granted patent for the invention.

SUSAN EAVES

B3 Head of Litigation, acting for Comptroller