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Case Number: T 0118/18 - 3.5.01
Application Number: 12796828.7
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Title of invention:
METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MONITORING MEDICATION ADHERENCE

Applicant:
Ai Cure Technologies, Inc.

Relevant legal provisions:
EPC Art. 108
EPC R. 99(2), 101(1), 126(2)

Keyword:
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DECISION
of Technical Board of Appeal 3.5.01
of 27 August 2018

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Decision under appeal:
Decision of the Examining Division of the European Patent Office posted on 17 July 2017 refusing European patent application No. 12796828.7 pursuant to Article 97(2) EPC.

Composition of the Board:
Chairman
W. Chandler

Members:
A. Wahrenberg
C. Schmidt
Summary of Facts and Submissions

I. The appeal is directed against the decision of the Examining Division posted on 17 July 2017.

II. The appellant filed a notice of appeal on 18 September 2017 and paid the appeal fee on the same day.

III. By communication of 17 January 2018, received by the appellant, the Registry of the Board informed the appellant that it appeared from the file that the written statement of grounds of appeal had not been filed, and that it was therefore to be expected that the appeal would be rejected as inadmissible pursuant to Article 108, third sentence, EPC in conjunction with Rule 101(1) EPC. The appellant was informed that any observations had to be filed within two months of notification of the communication.

In the same communication the Board stated that it assumed that the appellant's request for oral proceedings did not apply to the issue of inadmissibility of the appeal because no grounds of appeal had been filed in due time and that this assumption would not be made if the appellant so stated within the specified period.

IV. No reply was received.

Reasons for the Decision

No written statement setting out the grounds of appeal was filed within the time limit provided by Article 108, third sentence, EPC in conjunction with Rule 126(2) EPC. In addition, the notice of appeal does not contain anything that could be regarded as a
statement of grounds pursuant to Article 108 EPC and Rule 99(2) EPC. Therefore, the appeal has to be rejected as inadmissible (Rule 101(1) EPC).

Order

For these reasons it is decided that:

The appeal is rejected as inadmissible.

The Registrar: The Chairman:

T. Buschek W. Chandler

Decision electronically authenticated