



PATENTS ACT 1977

PARTIES Bruce Carmichael Robertson Ewan,

The University of Sheffield and Clive Adrian Catlin

ISSUE Mention of additional inventor for

patent number GB 2366517 under Section 13(1)

HEARING OFFICER S M Williams

DECISION

- 1 Patents Form 7/77 names one inventor, Clive Adrian Catlin.
- 2 Bruce Carmichael Robertson Ewan has now made an application in accordance with section 13(1) of the Act to the effect that he ought also to have been mentioned as an inventor.
- The patent proprietors, The University of Sheffield, have confirmed in writing that they consent to the application filed by Bruce Carmichael Robertson Ewan.
- In a letter dated 25 July 2005, the Office wrote to Mr Catlin and invited him to file a counter-statement should he wish to oppose the application filed by Mr Ewan. No response was received within the deadline set. In a letter dated 13 September 2005, the Office wrote again to Mr Catlin advising him that the application would be treated as unopposed subject to any comments he wished to make. Again no response was received; however the Office did get in contact with Mr Catlin by telephone and agreed a further period for filing comments in relation to the application. No response has been received from Mr Catlin within the agreed deadline. In view of the fact that Mr Catlin has failed to file a response and given the consent already filed by the patent proprietors, I therefore consider the application to be unopposed.
- Accordingly I find that Bruce Carmichael Robertson Ewan should be mentioned as a joint inventor in the granted patent. I also direct, in accordance with rule 14(5), that an addendum slip mentioning him as a joint inventor be prepared for the published application and for the granted patent for the invention.
 - 6 Under the Practice Direction to Part 52 of the Civil Procedure Rules any appeal

must be lodged within 28 days.

S M WILLIAMS

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