

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
WESTERN DIVISION**

IN RE:

HEPARIN PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

MDL DOCKET NO. 1953

CASE NO.: 1:08-hc-60000-JGC

**THIRD AMENDED PRETRIAL ORDER NUMBER 18  
PRE-TRIAL AND TRIAL SCHEDULE**

Upon agreement of Plaintiffs and Defendants Baxter International, Baxter Healthcare Corporation, Baxter Healthcare Corporation of Puerto Rico, Scientific Protein Laboratories LLC, and Changzhou SPL Co., Ltd., the Court hereby enters an order pertaining to the pre-trial and trial schedule as follows:

A. Defendants' Omnibus Motion for Summary Judgment; Oral arguments on the motion will take place on September 10, 2010 at 1:30 PM.

B. Generic Expert Issues:

Plaintiffs' deadline for submitting expert reports is October 5, 2010;

Defendants' deadline for submitting expert reports is November 5, 2010;

Completion of expert discovery due January 5, 2011

Expert-related summary judgment/Daubert motions:

Opening motions to be filed on or before January 20, 2011; opposition briefs due to be filed within 18 days of the filing of the motion; reply briefs to be filed within 14 days of the filing of the response.

*Daubert* hearings and argument on dispositive motions, if needed, to be scheduled to occur within one month of motions becoming decisional, or as desired by the parties.

C. Resolution of Individual Cases

Case selection:

Continuing case-specific fact discovery completed - September 24, 2010

Case-specific expert discovery

Plaintiffs' case-specific expert reports due October 5, 2010.

Defendants' case-specific expert reports due November 5, 2010.  
Case-specific expert discovery completed - December 22, 2010

Case-specific dispositive motions

Dispositive motions due January 7, 2011, oppositions to dispositive motions due January 31, 2011; reply briefs due February 14, 2011.

Oral argument on dispositive motions set for February 28, 2011 at 8:30 a.m.

D. Final decision regarding first individual case to proceed to trial due December 15, 2010. Twelve person jury trials of bellwether cases to begin on March 1, 2011 at 8:30 a.m.; April 12, 2011 at 8:30 a.m.; May 31, 2011 at 8:30 a.m.; and September 13, 2011 at 8:30 a.m., with voir dire to be conducted before the undersigned, or, subject to concurrence of parties before the United States Magistrate Judge, on the day prior to the trial dates set herein.

So ordered.

s/James G. Carr  
United States District Judge