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# Statement of Invention or “Hunting Expedition”?: Written Description for Claimed Ranges

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Kilpatrick Townsend’s Post-Grant Team is pleased to highlight a recent post from our Firm’s Biopharma MEMO Blog.

**Statement of Invention or “Hunting Expedition”?: Written Description for Claimed Ranges**

“A written description . . . requires a statement of an invention, not an invitation to go on a hunting expedition to patch together after the fact a synthetic definition of an invention.”[1] For claims reciting ranges, satisfying the written description requires an applicant to explicitly describe the claimed ranges or the end values of the ranges **as of the filing date.** Written description cannot solely rely on cobbling together the numbers of the range after the fact. *Id.* at 1329. A failure to meet the written description requirement due to the lack of such a statement cannot be cured by disclosing representative working examples within the claimed range.

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[1] Indivior UK Ltd. v. Dr. Reddy’s Lab’ys S.A., 18 F.4th 1323, 1329 (Fed. Cir. 2021).