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International application No.

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This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. claims: 1-17

Fluid sensor comprising an additional electrode.

2. claims: 18-37

Fluid sensor having a specific capacitance ratio K and a processing device which is designed to adjust the control potential $P9$ at the substrate electrode in such a way that the control potential $P9$ at the substrate electrode is the increased value of the potential $P11$ at the sensor layer, with $P9 = K * P11$.

1. As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers all searchable claims.
2. As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying additional fees, this Authority did not invite payment of additional fees.
3. As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:
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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER <i>G01N 27/414</i> (2006.01)i; <i>H01L 29/78</i> (2006.01)i According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC		
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