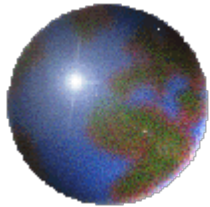




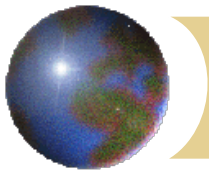
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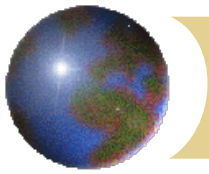
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## ✚ Results of our research regarding description requirement

(i) Biology, Medicine, and Chemistry (Investigation Objects: 143 cases)

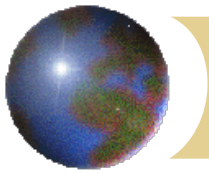
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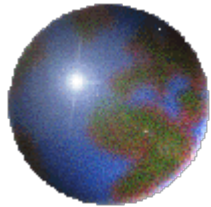
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Clarity	101	41	43	61
Enablement	18	11	2	5
Total	107	54	45	64



## Proposal of discussing issues at PHEP

- ✦ Propriety of description requirement judgment based on working example
- ✦ Judgment of special cases  
e.g. invention about objects specified by function or use
- ✦ Judgment of enablement in specific technical fields
- ✦ Consideration of the information submitted after filing patent application



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*Thank you for your attention.*