UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN RE: COVIDIEN HERNIA MESH PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION NO. II	)	MDL No. 22-md-03029-PBS
STEPHEN PASSMORE, Plaintiff,	)	Civil Action No. 22-cv-10136-PBS
v.	)	
COVIDIEN LP and SOFRADIM PRODUCTION SAS, Defendants.	)	

SCHEDULING ORDER

October 1, 2026

Saris, J.

The Court **ORDERS** as follows with respect to the pretrial schedule for Stephen Passmore v. Covidien LP, et al., No. 22-cv-10136. To the extent any deadline in this scheduling order conflicts with a deadline set in the previously issued pretrial order (Dkt. 37), this scheduling order controls.

I. Pretrial Motions

A. The Parties shall file summary judgment and Daubert motions by November 6, 2026.[1]

[1] To the extent applicable, the moving party shall incorporate by reference any arguments previously made in a prior Daubert motion related to a general expert. The moving party shall indicate in

B. The Parties shall file responses in opposition to summary judgment and Daubert motions by December 4, 2026.

C. The Parties shall file reply briefs in support of summary judgment and Daubert motions by December 18, 2026.

D. The Parties shall file motions in limine by February 8, 2027. Each side may file no more than five motions in limine, and no motion in limine shall present more than one dispute.[2]

E. The Parties shall file oppositions to motions in limine by February 22, 2027.

F. Motions in limine shall be argued and heard at the final pretrial conference.

II. Pretrial Disclosures

A. The Parties shall make pretrial disclosures as required by Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a)(3) by February 8, 2027, thirty days before the final pretrial conference.

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any Daubert motion for an expert for which the Court has previously issued rulings whether the Court ruled on an argument previously and, if so, whether it is moving to preserve the argument for appeal or whether it is seeking a different ruling because of new or different circumstances.

[2] The moving party shall indicate in any motion in limine whether the Court ruled on the issue previously and, if so, whether it is moving to preserve the issue for appeal or whether it is seeking a different ruling because of new or different circumstances.

B. Objections to pretrial disclosures are due February 22, 2027.

III. Final Pretrial Conference

A. The Parties shall file and serve proposed jury instructions, any preliminary jury instructions, proposed voir dire questions, witness and exhibit lists, and transcripts of the deposition testimony that the Parties intend to introduce at trial with objections by March 3, 2027.[3]

B. The Parties' joint pretrial memorandum in accordance with Local Rule 16.5(d) shall be filed on March 3, 2027. Counsel shall confer fourteen days before the final pretrial conference for the purpose of preparing the joint pretrial memorandum.

C. The final pretrial conference shall be held on March 10, 2027.

IV. Trial

A. The trial shall begin on March 29, 2027.

SO ORDERED.

/s/ PATTI B. SARIS
Hon. Patti B. Saris
United States District Judge

[3] The Court will not revisit rulings on deposition designations for which it has previously ruled.