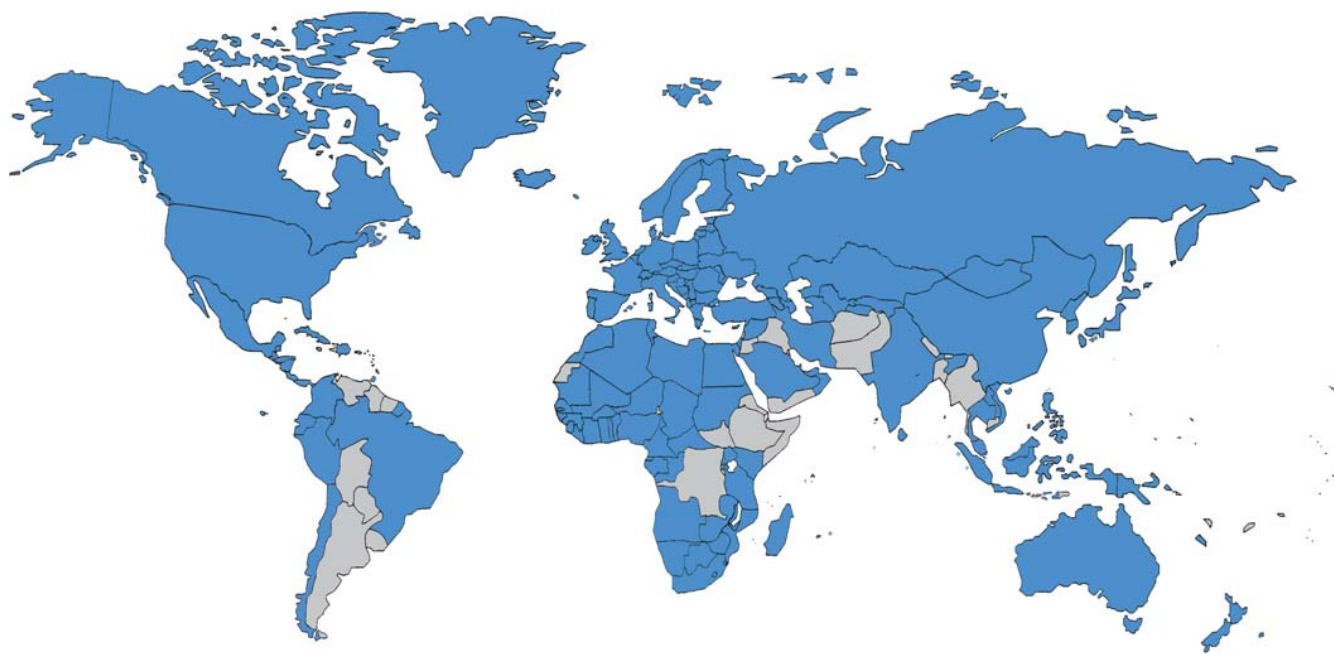


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<sup>1</sup> Extension of European patent possible.

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