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Does the Office accept the filing of documents by means of telecommunication (PCT Rule 92.4)?	Yes, by facsimile machine
Which kinds of documents may be so transmitted?	All kinds of documents
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Competent receiving Office for nationals and residents of Hungary:	Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO), European Patent Office (EPO) or International Bureau of WIPO, at the choice of the applicant (see Annex C)
Competent designated (or elected) Office if Hungary is designated (or elected):	National protection: Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO) (see National Phase) European patent: European Patent Office (EPO) (see National Phase)
May Hungary be elected?	Yes (bound by Chapter II of the PCT)
Types of protection available via the PCT:	National: Patents, utility models (a utility model may be sought instead of a national patent) European: Patents

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Provisions of the law of Hungary concerning international-type search:

None

Provisional protection after international publication:

Where the designation is made for the purposes of a national patent:
 The international application made available to the public shall obtain temporary protection, under paragraphs (1) and (2) of PCT Article 29, as from the day on which the issue of the Official Gazette of the Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO) containing the announcement of the publication of the Hungarian translation of the international application has come out. This date, until the contrary is proved, is the day of publication indicated in the Official Gazette. On the basis of the temporary protection, the applicant may, however, proceed against the unauthorized exploitation of the invention but the procedure shall be suspended until a decision of legal force is made for the grant of a patent.

Where the designation is made for the purposes of a European patent:

The provisional protection shall be effective in Hungary as from the day on which the Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO) publishes an announcement of the filing of the translation of the claims into Hungarian.

Information of interest if Hungary is designated (or elected)

For national protection

Time when the name and address of the inventor must be given if Hungary is designated (or elected):

May be in the request or may be furnished later but must be given within 31 months from the priority date. This requirement can also be fulfilled within three months from the last day of the said time limit subject to the payment of an additional fee provided for under the national law. If not complied with within the prescribed time limits, the international application shall have no effect in Hungary.

Are there special provisions concerning the deposit of microorganisms and other biological material?

Yes (see Annex L)

For a European patent — See European Patent Organisation (EP) in Annex B2
