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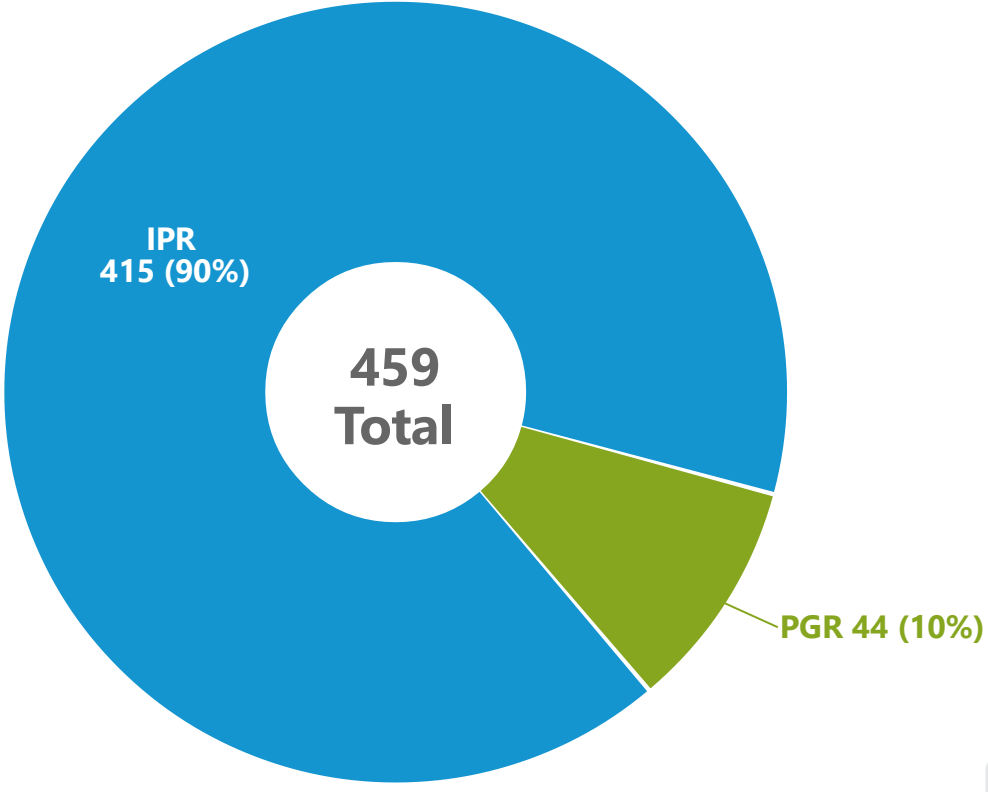
Petitions filed by trial type

FY 26 through August: Oct. 1, 2025 to Aug. 31, 2026



Trial types include Inter Partes Review (IPR) and Post Grant Review (PGR).

Petitions filed by technology

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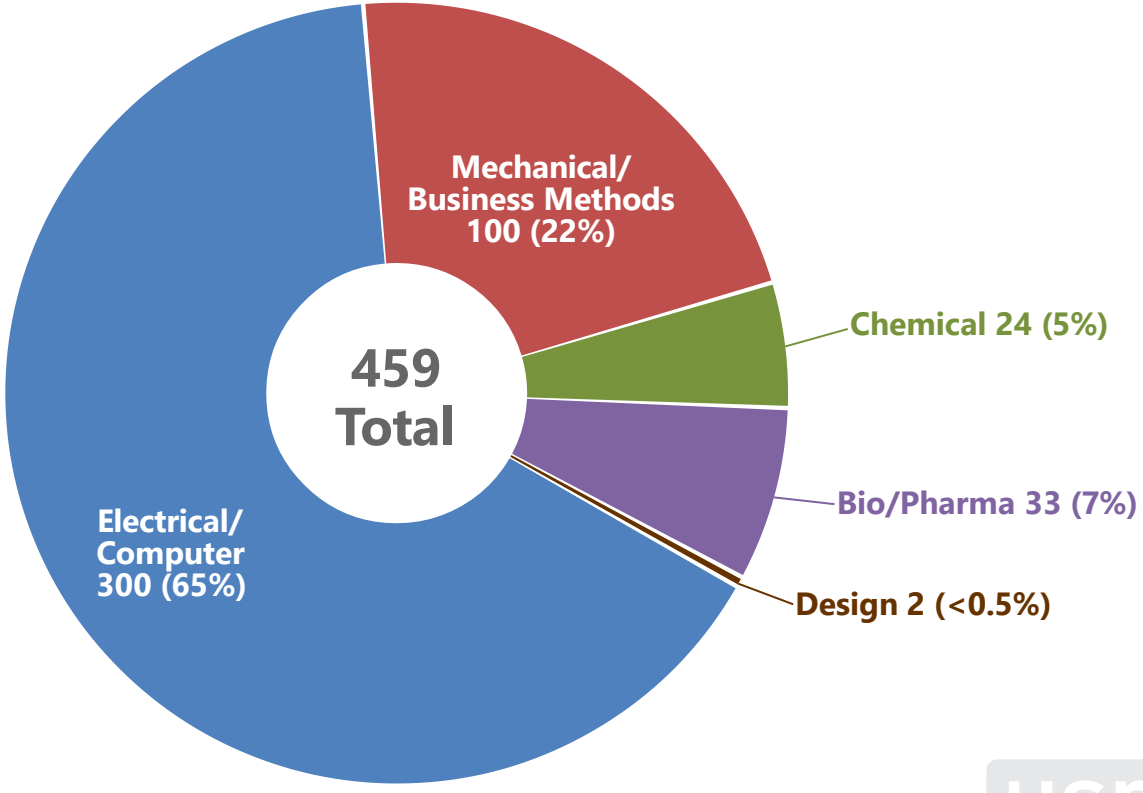
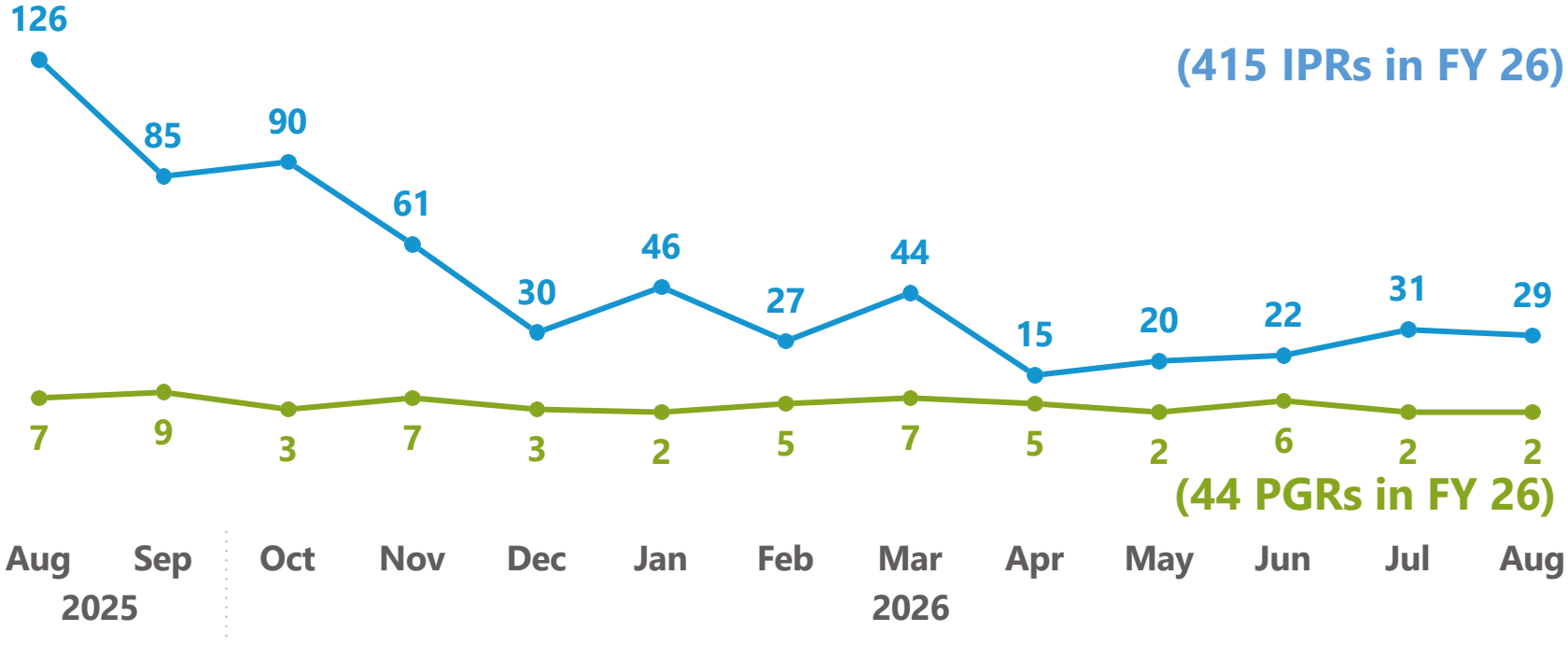


Petitions filed by month

FY 25 to FY 26 through August: Aug. 1, 2025 to Aug. 31, 2026



Disposition rates by institution decision type

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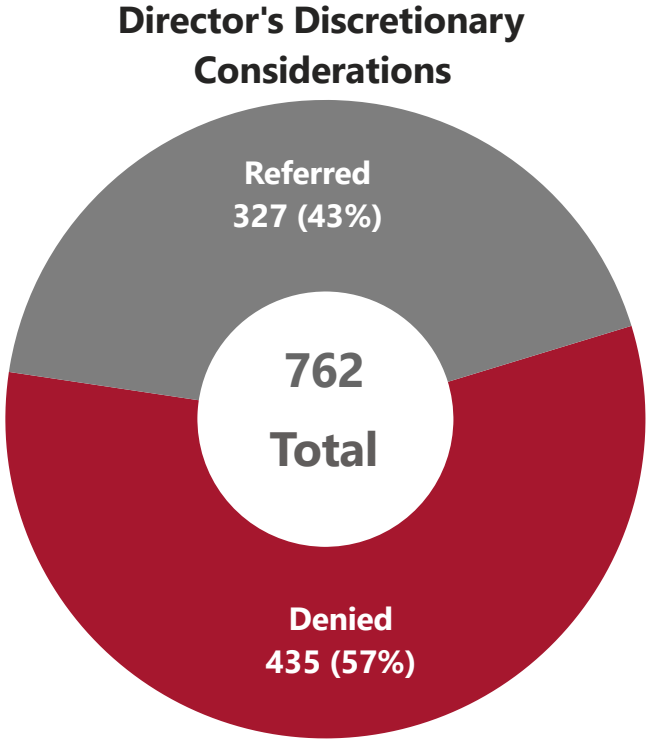
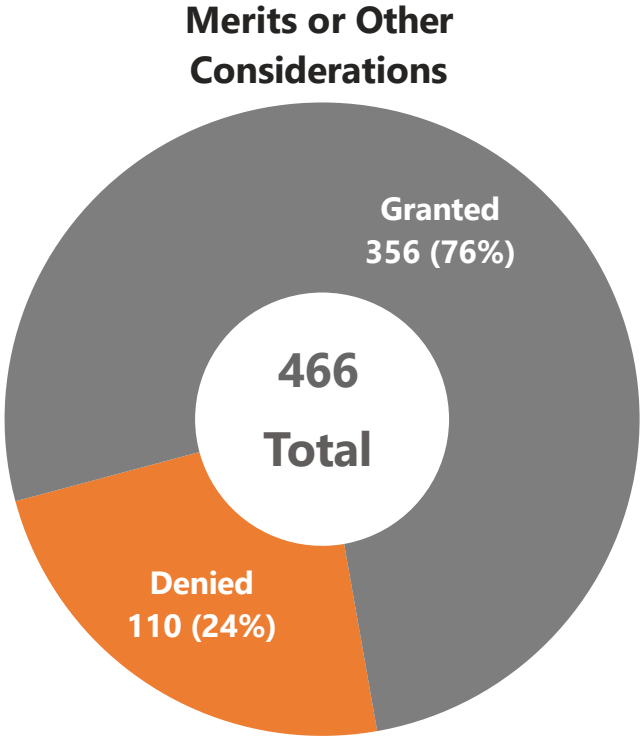
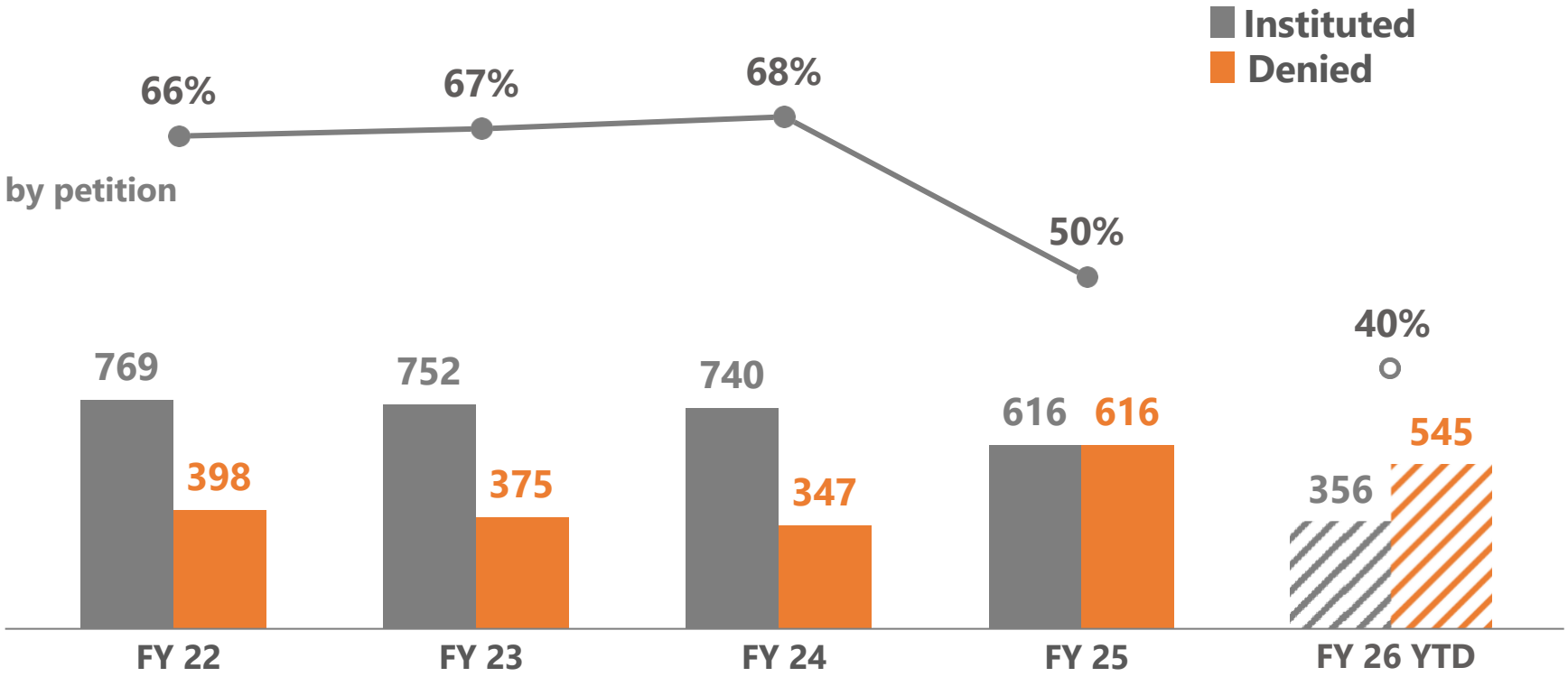




Occasionally outcomes of cases referred for merits review are revised to denied for discretionary considerations. "Referred" cases do not include cases summarily referred to a panel before the director began considering merits because the patent owner did not raise discretionary considerations. Outcomes of rehearing requests and director reviews are not considered.

Institution rates by petition

FY 22 to FY 26 through August: Oct. 1, 2021 to Aug. 31, 2026



Institution rates by patent

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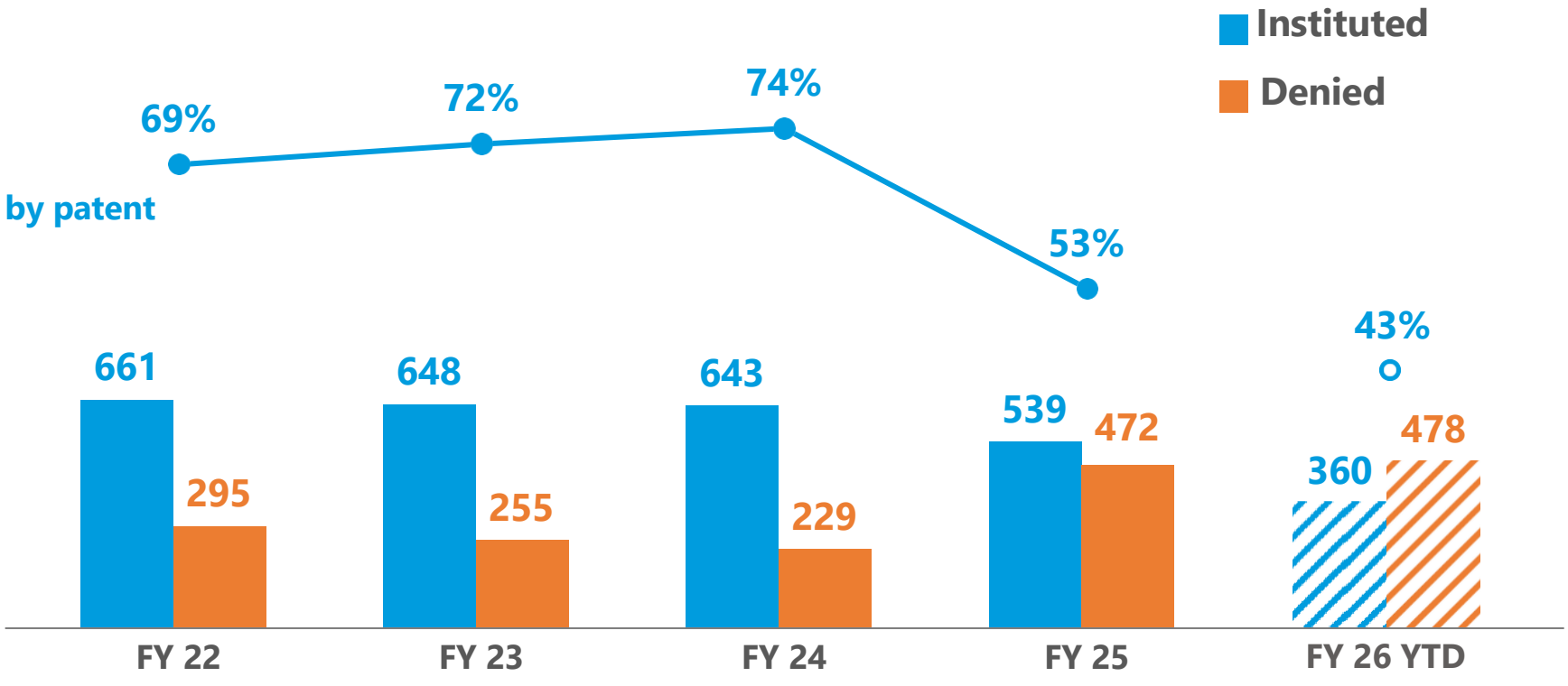

Institution rates by technology

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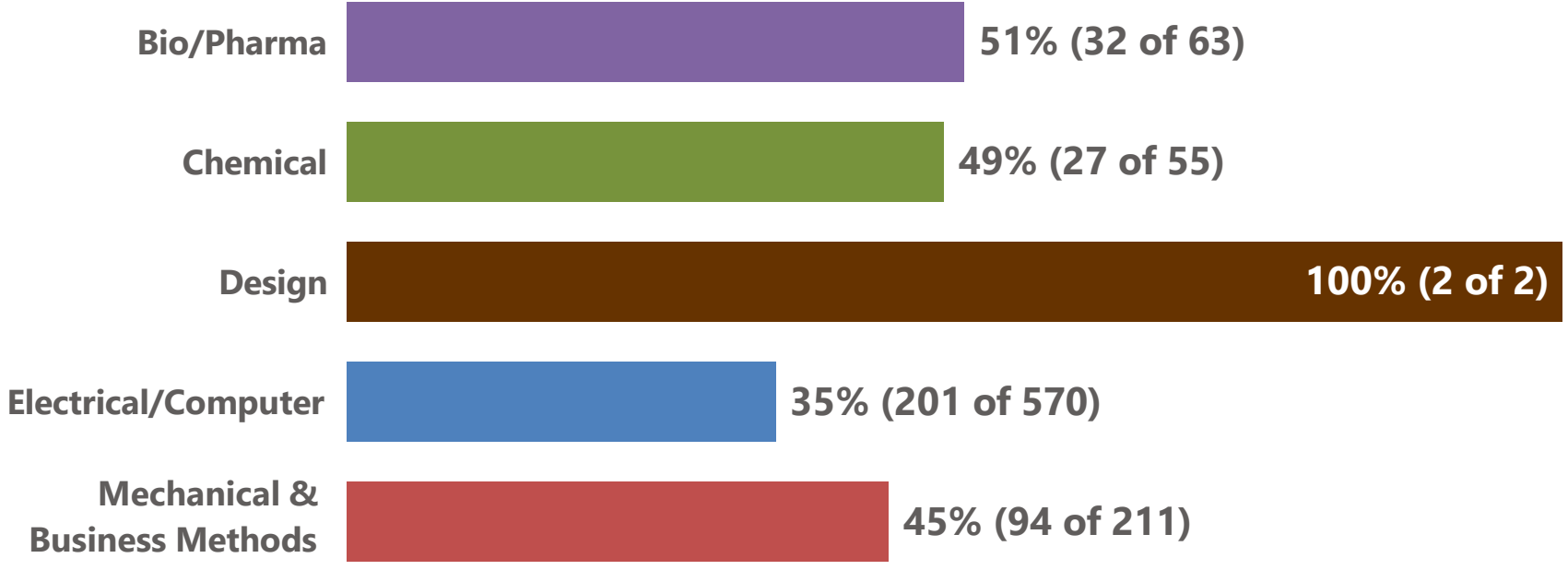

Institution rate for each technology is calculated by dividing petitions instituted by decisions on institution (i.e., petitions instituted plus petitions denied). The outcomes of decisions on institution responsive to requests for rehearing are excluded.

Settlements

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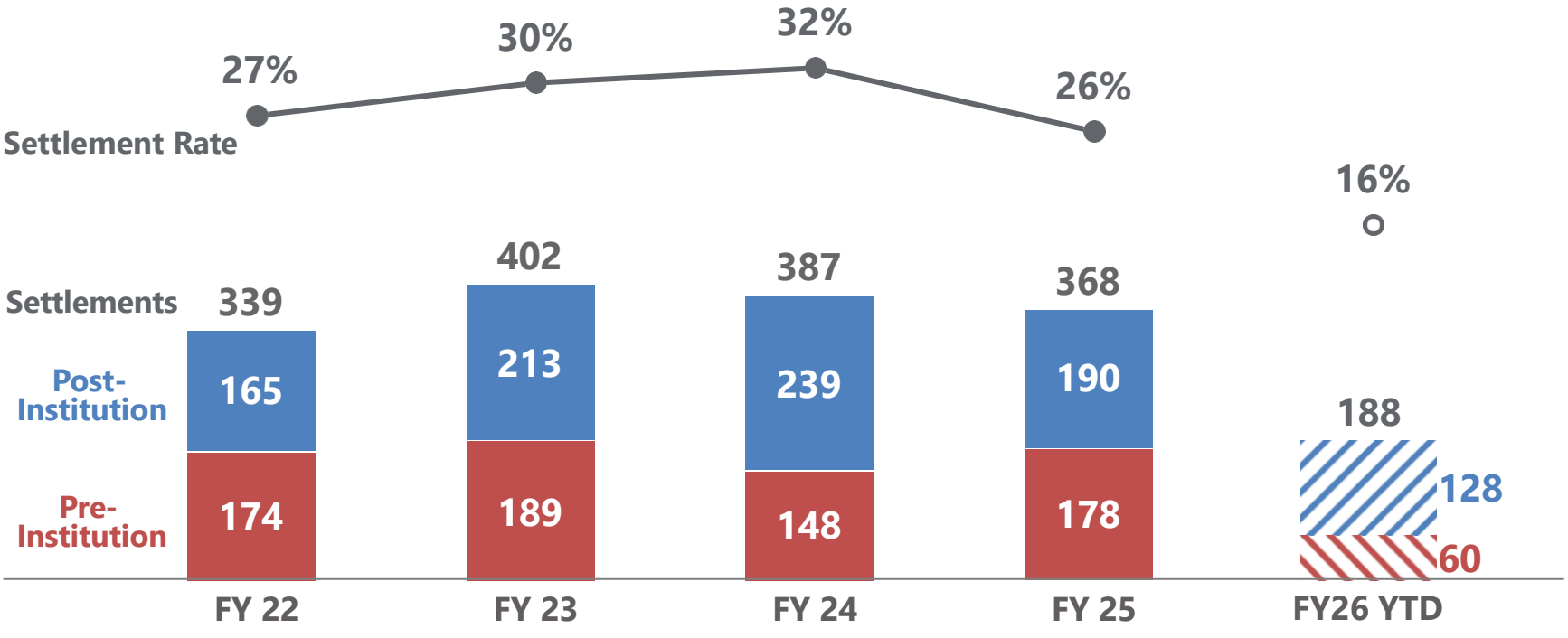

Settlement rate is calculated by dividing total settlements by concluded proceedings in each fiscal year (i.e., denied institution, settled, dismissed, requested adverse judgment, and final written decision), excluding joined cases.

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