

Samsung sells more than 10 mn Galaxy S4 smartphones

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The Samsung Galaxy S4 is on show on April 25, 2013 in New York City. South Korea's Samsung Electronics said Thursday that global sales of its latest flagship Galaxy smartphone had topped 10 million units less than a month after its debut.

South Korea's Samsung Electronics said Thursday its latest flagship Galaxy S4 had become its fastest selling smartphone to date, topping 10 million units globally less than a month after its debut.

A company statement said the S4 had already passed the 10-million sales



mark following its April 26 launch. Its predecessor, the S3, took 50 days to reach the same threshold.

The world's top handset maker hopes the S4 will expand its presence in high-end markets in the United States and elsewhere, crowding out archrival Apple and its iconic <u>iPhone</u>.

Apple has asked a US <u>federal judge</u> to add the S4 to the list of Samsung devices targeted in a <u>patent lawsuit</u> involving Siri personal assistant software.

"Apple's infringement theories regarding the S4 are identical to Apple's infringement theories against the already accused products," attorney Mark Lyon said in a motion filed Tuesday on behalf of Apple.

The five patents at issue in the case include two associated with Siri voice-commanded personal assistant in iPhones.

The case is one of many legal battles between California-based Apple and Samsung, and the trial is not expected to begin until early next year.





Samsung Electronics employees display the Galaxy S4 smartphone in Seoul on April 25, 2013. The world's top handset maker hopes the S4 will expand its presence in high-end markets in the United States and elsewhere, crowding out archrival Apple and its iconic iPhone.

Samsung is believed to have sold about 60 million units of the popular Galaxy S3 model since it debuted in May 2012.

The S4, featuring a high-definition, five-inch (12.7-centimetre) screen and enhanced picture-taking capabilities, comes with a faster chip and is thinner and lighter than its predecessor.

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