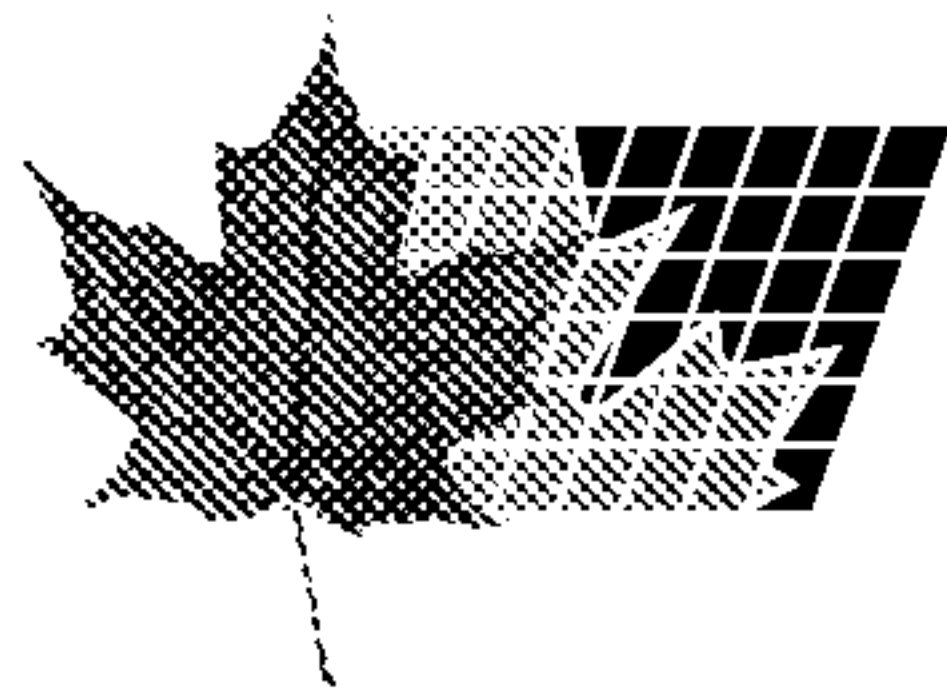




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(54) **94 PROTEINES HUMAINES SECRETEES**
(54) **94 HUMAN SECRETED PROTEINS**

(57) La présente invention concerne de nouvelles protéines humaines sécrétées et des acides nucléiques isolés contenant des régions codantes des gènes codant ces protéines. L'invention concerne également des vecteurs, des cellules hôtes, des anticorps et des méthodes de recombinaison permettant la production des protéines humaines sécrétées. L'invention concerne en outre des méthodes diagnostiques et thérapeutiques utiles au diagnostic et au traitement de troubles liés à ces nouvelles protéines humaines sécrétées.

(57) The present invention relates to novel human secreted proteins and isolated nucleic acids containing the coding regions of the genes encoding such proteins. Also provided are vectors, host cells, antibodies, and recombinant methods for producing human secreted proteins. The invention further relates to diagnostic and therapeutic methods useful for diagnosing and treating disorders related to these novel human secreted proteins.

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94 Human Secreted Proteins

Field of the Invention

This invention relates to newly identified polynucleotides and the polypeptides encoded by these polynucleotides, uses of such polynucleotides and polypeptides, and their production.

Background of the Invention

Unlike bacterium, which exist as a single compartment surrounded by a membrane, human cells and other eucaryotes are subdivided by membranes into many functionally distinct compartments. Each membrane-bounded compartment, or organelle, contains different proteins essential for the function of the organelle. The cell uses "sorting signals," which are amino acid motifs located within the protein, to target proteins to particular cellular organelles.

One type of sorting signal, called a signal sequence, a signal peptide, or a leader sequence, directs a class of proteins to an organelle called the endoplasmic reticulum (ER). The ER separates the membrane-bounded proteins from all other types of proteins. Once localized to the ER, both groups of proteins can be further directed to another organelle called the Golgi apparatus. Here, the Golgi distributes the proteins to vesicles, including secretory vesicles, the cell membrane, lysosomes, and the other organelles.

Proteins targeted to the ER by a signal sequence can be released into the extracellular space as a secreted protein. For example, vesicles containing secreted proteins can fuse with the cell membrane and release their contents into the extracellular space - a process called exocytosis. Exocytosis can occur constitutively or after receipt of a triggering signal. In the latter case, the proteins are stored in secretory vesicles (or secretory granules) until exocytosis is triggered. Similarly, proteins residing on the cell membrane can also be secreted into the extracellular space by proteolytic cleavage of a "linker" holding the protein to the membrane.

Despite the great progress made in recent years, only a small number of genes encoding human secreted proteins have been identified. These secreted proteins include the commercially valuable human insulin, interferon, Factor VIII, human growth hormone, tissue plasminogen activator, and erythropoietin. Thus, in light of

the pervasive role of secreted proteins in human physiology, a need exists for identifying and characterizing novel human secreted proteins and the genes that encode them. This knowledge will allow one to detect, to treat, and to prevent medical disorders by using secreted proteins or the genes that encode them.

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Summary of the Invention

The present invention relates to novel polynucleotides and the encoded polypeptides. Moreover, the present invention relates to vectors, host cells, antibodies, and recombinant methods for producing the polypeptides and
10 polynucleotides. Also provided are diagnostic methods for detecting disorders related to the polypeptides, and therapeutic methods for treating such disorders. The invention further relates to screening methods for identifying binding partners of the polypeptides.

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Detailed Description

Definitions

The following definitions are provided to facilitate understanding of certain terms used throughout this specification.

In the present invention, "isolated" refers to material removed from its original
20 environment (e.g., the natural environment if it is naturally occurring), and thus is altered "by the hand of man" from its natural state. For example, an isolated polynucleotide could be part of a vector or a composition of matter, or could be contained within a cell, and still be "isolated" because that vector, composition of matter, or particular cell is not the original environment of the polynucleotide.

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In the present invention, a "secreted" protein refers to those proteins capable of being directed to the ER, secretory vesicles, or the extracellular space as a result of a signal sequence, as well as those proteins released into the extracellular space without necessarily containing a signal sequence. If the secreted protein is released into the extracellular space, the secreted protein can undergo extracellular processing
30 to produce a "mature" protein. Release into the extracellular space can occur by many mechanisms, including exocytosis and proteolytic cleavage.

In specific embodiments, the polynucleotides of the invention are less than 300 kb, 200 kb, 100 kb, 50 kb, 15 kb, 10 kb, or 7.5 kb in length. In a further embodiment, polynucleotides of the invention comprise at least 15 contiguous nucleotides of the coding sequence, but do not comprise all or a portion of any intron.

5 In another embodiment, the nucleic acid comprising the coding sequence does not contain coding sequences of a genomic flanking gene (i.e., 5' or 3' to the gene in the genome).

As used herein, a "polynucleotide" refers to a molecule having a nucleic acid sequence contained in SEQ ID NO:X or the cDNA contained within the clone

10 deposited with the ATCC. For example, the polynucleotide can contain the nucleotide sequence of the full length cDNA sequence, including the 5' and 3' untranslated sequences, the coding region, with or without the signal sequence, the secreted protein coding region, as well as fragments, epitopes, domains, and variants of the nucleic acid sequence. Moreover, as used herein, a "polypeptide" refers to a

15 molecule having the translated amino acid sequence generated from the polynucleotide as broadly defined.

In the present invention, the full length sequence identified as SEQ ID NO:X was often generated by overlapping sequences contained in multiple clones (contig analysis). A representative clone containing all or most of the sequence for SEQ ID

20 NO:X was deposited with the American Type Culture Collection ("ATCC"). As shown in Table 1, each clone is identified by a cDNA Clone ID (Identifier) and the ATCC Deposit Number. The ATCC is located at 10801 University Boulevard, Manassas, Virginia 20110-2209, USA. The ATCC deposit was made pursuant to the terms of the Budapest Treaty on the international recognition of the deposit of

25 microorganisms for purposes of patent procedure.

A "polynucleotide" of the present invention also includes those polynucleotides capable of hybridizing, under stringent hybridization conditions, to sequences contained in SEQ ID NO:X, the complement thereof, or the cDNA within the clone deposited with the ATCC. "Stringent hybridization conditions" refers to an

30 overnight incubation at 42° C in a solution comprising 50% formamide, 5x SSC (750 mM NaCl, 75 mM sodium citrate), 50 mM sodium phosphate (pH 7.6), 5x Denhardt's

solution, 10% dextran sulfate, and 20 µg/ml denatured, sheared salmon sperm DNA, followed by washing the filters in 0.1x SSC at about 65°C.

Also contemplated are nucleic acid molecules that hybridize to the polynucleotides of the present invention at lower stringency hybridization conditions. Changes in the stringency of hybridization and signal detection are primarily accomplished through the manipulation of formamide concentration (lower percentages of formamide result in lowered stringency); salt conditions, or temperature. For example, lower stringency conditions include an overnight incubation at 37°C in a solution comprising 6X SSPE (20X SSPE = 3M NaCl; 0.2M NaH₂PO₄; 0.02M EDTA, pH 7.4), 0.5% SDS, 30% formamide, 100 ug/ml salmon sperm blocking DNA; followed by washes at 50°C with 1XSSPE, 0.1% SDS. In addition, to achieve even lower stringency, washes performed following stringent hybridization can be done at higher salt concentrations (e.g. 5X SSC).

Note that variations in the above conditions may be accomplished through the inclusion and/or substitution of alternate blocking reagents used to suppress background in hybridization experiments. Typical blocking reagents include Denhardt's reagent, BLOTTO, heparin, denatured salmon sperm DNA, and commercially available proprietary formulations. The inclusion of specific blocking reagents may require modification of the hybridization conditions described above, due to problems with compatibility.

Of course, a polynucleotide which hybridizes only to polyA⁺ sequences (such as any 3' terminal polyA⁺ tract of a cDNA shown in the sequence listing), or to a complementary stretch of T (or U) residues, would not be included in the definition of "polynucleotide," since such a polynucleotide would hybridize to any nucleic acid molecule containing a poly (A) stretch or the complement thereof (e.g., practically any double-stranded cDNA clone).

The polynucleotide of the present invention can be composed of any polyribonucleotide or polydeoxribonucleotide, which may be unmodified RNA or DNA or modified RNA or DNA. For example, polynucleotides can be composed of single- and double-stranded DNA, DNA that is a mixture of single- and double-stranded regions, single- and double-stranded RNA, and RNA that is mixture of single- and double-stranded regions, hybrid molecules comprising DNA and RNA

that may be single-stranded or, more typically, double-stranded or a mixture of single- and double-stranded regions. In addition, the polynucleotide can be composed of triple-stranded regions comprising RNA or DNA or both RNA and DNA. A polynucleotide may also contain one or more modified bases or DNA or RNA
5 backbones modified for stability or for other reasons. "Modified" bases include, for example, tritylated bases and unusual bases such as inosine. A variety of modifications can be made to DNA and RNA; thus, "polynucleotide" embraces chemically, enzymatically, or metabolically modified forms.

The polypeptide of the present invention can be composed of amino acids
10 joined to each other by peptide bonds or modified peptide bonds, i.e., peptide isosteres, and may contain amino acids other than the 20 gene-encoded amino acids. The polypeptides may be modified by either natural processes, such as posttranslational processing, or by chemical modification techniques which are well known in the art. Such modifications are well described in basic texts and in more
15 detailed monographs, as well as in a voluminous research literature. Modifications can occur anywhere in a polypeptide, including the peptide backbone, the amino acid side-chains and the amino or carboxyl termini. It will be appreciated that the same type of modification may be present in the same or varying degrees at several sites in a given polypeptide. Also, a given polypeptide may contain many types of
20 modifications. Polypeptides may be branched, for example, as a result of ubiquitination, and they may be cyclic, with or without branching. Cyclic, branched, and branched cyclic polypeptides may result from posttranslation natural processes or may be made by synthetic methods. Modifications include acetylation, acylation, ADP-ribosylation, amidation, covalent attachment of flavin, covalent attachment of a
25 heme moiety, covalent attachment of a nucleotide or nucleotide derivative, covalent attachment of a lipid or lipid derivative, covalent attachment of phosphatidylinositol, cross-linking, cyclization, disulfide bond formation, demethylation, formation of covalent cross-links, formation of cysteine, formation of pyroglutamate, formylation, gamma-carboxylation, glycosylation, GPI anchor formation, hydroxylation,
30 iodination, methylation, myristoylation, oxidation, pegylation, proteolytic processing, phosphorylation, prenylation, racemization, selenoylation, sulfation, transfer-RNA mediated addition of amino acids to proteins such as arginylation, and ubiquitination.

(See, for instance, PROTEINS - STRUCTURE AND MOLECULAR PROPERTIES, 2nd Ed., T. E. Creighton, W. H. Freeman and Company, New York (1993); POSTTRANSLATIONAL COVALENT MODIFICATION OF PROTEINS, B. C. Johnson, Ed., Academic Press, New York, pgs. 1-12 (1983); Seifter et al., Meth
 5 Enzymol 182:626-646 (1990); Rattan et al., Ann NY Acad Sci 663:48-62 (1992).)

"SEQ ID NO:X" refers to a polynucleotide sequence while "SEQ ID NO:Y" refers to a polypeptide sequence, both sequences identified by an integer specified in Table 1.

"A polypeptide having biological activity" refers to polypeptides exhibiting
 10 activity similar, but not necessarily identical to, an activity of a polypeptide of the present invention, including mature forms, as measured in a particular biological assay, with or without dose dependency. In the case where dose dependency does exist, it need not be identical to that of the polypeptide, but rather substantially similar to the dose-dependence in a given activity as compared to the polypeptide of the
 15 present invention (i.e., the candidate polypeptide will exhibit greater activity or not more than about 25-fold less and, preferably, not more than about tenfold less activity, and most preferably, not more than about three-fold less activity relative to the polypeptide of the present invention.)

20 **Polynucleotides and Polypeptides of the Invention**

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 1

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: TRPEKVQAPLKWFKFQILDPP (SEQ ID NO:249). Polynucleotides
 25 encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in dendritic cells and to a lesser extent in other tissues.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a
 30 biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, immune, nervous system, and inflammatory disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing

immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., immune, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in dendritic cells indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection/treatment of neurodegenerative disease states and behavioural disorders such as Alzheimer's Disease, Parkinson's Disease, Huntington's Disease, schizophrenia, mania, dementia, paranoia, obsessive compulsive disorder, panic disorder, and autism. In addition, the gene or gene product may also play a role in the treatment and/or detection of developmental disorders associated with the developing embryo, sexually-linked disorders, or disorders of the cardiovascular system. Furthermore, expression of this gene product in primary dendritic cells also indicates that it may play a role in mediating responses to infection and controlling immunological responses, such as those that occur during immune surveillance. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:11 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 885 of SEQ ID NO:11, b is an integer of 15 to 899, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:11, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 2

The translation product of this gene share homology with the Tbc1 gene of Mus musculus which is thought to play a role in the cell cycle and differentiation of various tissues (See Genebank accession no. gi|988221 as well as Medline article
 5 no.96032578; all references available through these accessions are hereby incorporated by reference herein). One embodiment for this gene is the polypeptide fragments comprising the following amino acid sequence:

SAEFGVAPLPGRRGSPVRQLAQFRRRLLRSGGGRGAPGRPPRCPGEARVMXPPSCIQDEFPHPLEPEP
 GVSAQPGPGKPSDKRFRLWYVGGSCLDHRTTLPMLPWLMAEIRRRRSQKPEAGGCGAPAAAREVILVLSAP
 10 FLRCVPAPGAGASGGTSPSATQPNPAVFIFEHKAQHISRFIHNSHDLTYFAYLIKAQPDDPESQMACHV
 FRATDPSQVPDVISSIRQLSKXAMKEDAKPSKDNEAFYNSQKFEVLYCGKVTVTPQEGPLKPHR
 (SEQ ID NO:250); PMLPWLMAEIRRRS (SEQ ID NO:251); IHNSHDLTYFAYLIKAQPD
 (SEQ ID NO:252); KFEVLYCGKVTV (SEQ ID NO:253); and/or ISSIRQLSKAMKE
 (SEQ ID NO:254). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

15 This gene is expressed primarily in smooth muscle and dendritic cells and to a lesser extent in other tissues.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are
 20 not limited to, cardiovascular diseases and immune and inflammatory disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system and cardiovascular system, expression of this gene at significantly
 25 higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., smooth muscle and dendritic cells, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from
 30 an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in smooth muscle and dendritic cells and homology to a protein involved in regulation of cell cycle and tissue differentiation indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the

detection/treatment and/or prevention of immune system disorders, cardiovascular disorders or diseases, including cancer and other proliferative disorders. The tissue distribution indicates polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of immune system disorders.

5 Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the expression of this gene product indicates a role in regulating the proliferation; survival; differentiation; and/or activation of hematopoietic cell lineages, including blood stem cells. This gene product is involved in the regulation
10 of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or other processes suggesting a usefulness in the treatment of cancer (e.g., by boosting immune responses).

Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also used as an agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immunodeficiency diseases such
15 as AIDS, leukemia, rheumatoid arthritis, granulomatous disease, inflammatory bowel disease, sepsis, acne, neutropenia, neutrophilia, psoriasis, hypersensitivities, such as T-cell mediated cytotoxicity; immune reactions to transplanted organs and tissues, such as host-versus-graft and graft-versus-host diseases, or autoimmunity disorders, such as autoimmune infertility, lense tissue injury, demyelination, systemic lupus
20 erythematosus, drug induced hemolytic anemia, rheumatoid arthritis, Sjogren's disease, scleroderma and tissues. Moreover, the protein may represent a secreted factor that influences the differentiation or behavior of other blood cells, or that recruits hematopoietic cells to sites of injury. In addition, this gene product may have commercial utility in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of
25 various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types.

Alternatively, the protein is useful in the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of vascular conditions, which include, but are not limited to, microvascular disease, vascular leak syndrome, aneurysm, stroke, atherosclerosis, arteriosclerosis, or
30 embolism. For example, this gene product may represent a soluble factor produced by smooth muscle that regulates the innervation of organs or regulates the survival of neighboring neurons. Likewise, it is involved in controlling the digestive process, and

such actions as peristalsis. Similarly, it is involved in controlling the vasculature in areas where smooth muscle surrounds the endothelium of blood vessels. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:12 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1126 of SEQ ID NO:12, b is an integer of 15 to 1140, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:12, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 3

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with alpha-1 antitrypsin (See Genbank accession no. gnl|PID|d1021080; all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein). Alpha-1-antitrypsin is an important plasma protease inhibitor affecting a wide variety of serine proteases involved in coagulation, fibrinolysis and kinen generation.

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: GERRNWGGEVYYSTGYSSRK (SEQ ID NO:255). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in healing groin wound and to a lesser extent in some other tissues.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are

not limited to, wound healing disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the healing groin wound, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., healing, regenerative, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 132 as residues: Phe-25 to Tyr-30, Gln-37 to Arg-42, Lys-106 to Leu-112, Leu-123 to Leu-130, Gln-142 to Phe-150, Gln-183 to Lys-188, Asp-219 to Glu-226, Lys-359 to Glu-366. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in healing groin wound and homology to alpha-1 antitrypsin indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for diagnosis and therapeutic treatment of wound healing disorders. In addition, since healing wounds have transcriptional environments similar to developing tissues, The translation product of this gene is useful for the diagnosis and treatment of cancer and other proliferative disorders. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:13 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or

more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1431 of SEQ ID NO:13, b is an integer of 15 to 1445, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:13, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

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FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 4

The translation product of this gene shares homology with members of the HEMK family of modification methylases (See, e.g., Genbank Accession No. gb|AAD26417.1|AF131220_1; all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein).

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Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: EPGAAQESW (SEQ ID NO:256); LCARPSCSYTGAENQGQPRSPGWGSSHVWGWWG VGSPFLGSQEWSGLAPDLPDQEEEQPVGRHSCPDMSQCIKRGHQPVGFSGHAWRCLVGCCPWEEEKRSC HPFGAXLLWVLRFALQPXVYEDPAALDGGEEGMDIXTHILALAPRLLKDSGSIFLEVDPRHXPXLVSSWL QSRPDLYLNLVAVRRDFCGRPRFLHIRRSGP (SEQ ID NO:257); LCARPSCSYTGAENQGQPR SPGWGSSHVWGWWGVGSP (SEQ ID NO:258); FLGSQEWSGLAPDLPDQEEEQPVGRHSCPDMS QCIKR (SEQ ID NO:259); GHQPVGFSGHAWRCLVGCCPWEEEKRSCHPFGAXLLW (SEQ ID NO:260); VLRFALQPXVYEDPAALDGGEEGMDIXTHILALAPRL (SEQ ID NO:261); and/or LKDSGSIFLEVDPRHXPXLVSSWLQSRPDLYLNLVAVRRDFCGRPRFLHIRRSGP (SEQ ID NO:262). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

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This gene is expressed primarily in immune and tumor tissues, and to a lesser extent in some other tissues such as heart.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, immune and inflammatory disorders and tumorigenesis. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune and tumor tissues, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative

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to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 133 as residues: Met-1 to Cys-6, Ser-26 to Gly-35.

5 Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in tumors of immune origins indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for diagnosis and intervention of such tumors, in addition to other tumors where expression has been indicated. Additionally, this gene is a good target for antagonists, particularly
10 small molecules or antibodies, which block binding of the receptor by its cognate ligand(s). Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show
15 utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:14 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically
20 excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1194 of SEQ ID NO:14, b is an integer of 15 to 1208, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide
25 residues shown in SEQ ID NO:14, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 5

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with mouse von Ebner minor salivary gland protein which may play a role in carbohydrate
30 metabolism (See Genebank Accession No. gb|AAA87581.1|; all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein).

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: QELLVKIPLDMVAGFNTPL (SEQ ID NO:263); LRIQLLHKLSFLVNALAK QVMNLLVP (SEQ ID NO:264); AGPWTFTLLCGLLAATLIQATLSPTAVLILGPKVIEK LTQELKDHNATSILQQLPLL (SEQ ID NO:266); and/or HXIWLKVITXNILQLQVKPS (SEQ ID NO:265). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in respiratory tissues such as trachea, larynx and other pulmonary tissues, and to a lesser extent in other tissues.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, respiratory system and oral disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the respiratory tissues, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 134 as residues: Lys-39 to Asn-48, Arg-63 to Gly-68, Pro-101 to Gln-106. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution combined with the homology to von Ebner minor salivary gland protein indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for diagnosis and treatment of respiratory and oral diseases. Furthermore, The tissue distribution in pulmonary tissues also indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for diagnosis and intervention of tumors within these tissues, in addition to other tumors where expression has been indicated. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the

above listed tumors and tissues. Protein may show utility in the diagnosis, treatment, and/or prevention of disorders in carbohydrate metabolism.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:15 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1161 of SEQ ID NO:15, b is an integer of 15 to 1175, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:15, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 6

The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome 2. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in linkage analysis for chromosome 2.

This gene is expressed primarily in fast-growing tissues such as fetal tissues, hematopoietic cells and tumor tissues and to a lesser extent in other tissues.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, growth disorders, tumorigenesis, and immune or inflammatory disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the fast-growing tissues such as fetal tissues, hematopoietic cells and tumor tissues, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a

disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in fast growing tissues indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment
5 of cancer and other proliferative disorders. Expression in embryonic tissue and other cellular sources marked by proliferating cells indicates that this protein may play a role in the regulation or cellular division. Additionally, the expression in hematopoietic cells and tissues indicates that this protein may play a role in the proliferation, differentiation, and/or survival of hematopoietic cell lineages which
10 implicates the protein product of this gene as being useful for the treatment and diagnosis of hematopoietic related disorders such as anemia, pancytopenia, leukopenia, thrombocytopenia or leukemia since stromal cells are important in the production of cells of hematopoietic lineages. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14,
15 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include bone marrow cell ex vivo culture, bone marrow transplantation, bone marrow reconstitution, radiotherapy or chemotherapy of neoplasia. The gene product may also be involved in lymphopoiesis, therefore, it can be used in immune disorders such as infection, inflammation, allergy, immunodeficiency etc. Thus, this gene is useful in the
20 treatment of lymphoproliferative disorders, and in the maintenance and differentiation of various hematopoietic lineages from early hematopoietic stem and committed progenitor cells.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are
25 related to SEQ ID NO:16 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general
30 formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 2360 of SEQ ID NO:16, b is an integer of 15 to 2374, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:16, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 7

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with mitochondrial NADH-Ubiquinone oxidoreductase, chain 2.

5 Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: HFIITLTTFFTNYFL (SEQ ID NO:267); and/or MKITFQDLFPMWNSFKCFL HGNVFSLFVLFPLLTCFSFPYTVNSGTKLDWVGWLVGWFFLEFMYINKGFEVTSENNISKRVLVRENIR IKSSPERVLRM (SEQ ID NO:268). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

10 This gene is expressed primarily in stromal cells (cell code TF274), induced epithelial cells and human cerebellum.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are
 15 not limited to, metabolic disorders and conditions. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the liver, brain, and integument, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in
 20 certain tissues or cell types (e.g., cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, bile, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

25 The tissue distribution in epithelial and cerebral tissues combined with the homology to a known mitochondrial NADH-Ubiquinone oxidoreductase gene indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis, prevention, and/or treatment of various metabolic disorders such as Tay-Sach's disease, phenylketonuria, galactosemia, porphyrias, and Hurler's
 30 syndrome. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional

supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:17 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1581 of SEQ ID NO:17, b is an integer of 15 to 1595, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:17, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 8

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with Platelet activating factor acetylhydrolase which inactivates Platelet activating factor, a potent phospholipid mediator affecting various physiological processes (See, e.g., Genbank Accession Nos. gi|349824|gb|AAA02880.1| and gi|2072303|gb|AAC04610.1|; all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein).

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: RFWGSYEPHFSQEVSVIP (SEQ ID NO:269); and/or IRGNYFSGRKKSSDT PKGSKDKISVWNRSQXACIRICKVHPNYIQIYLWHSATSF (SEQ ID NO:270).

Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in CD34 depleted buffy coat (cord blood) and to a lesser extent in human prostate cancer, stage 3 fraction.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, cancer, particularly of the prostate. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of

disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., prostate, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, cord blood, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or
5 another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in CD34 depleted buffy coat combined with the homology to Platelet-activating factor acetylhydrolases, proteins involved in
10 regulation of platelet activity, indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of immune system disorders. Expression of this gene product in hematopoietic cells indicates a role in the regulation of the proliferation; survival; differentiation; and/or activation of potentially all hematopoietic cell lineages, including blood stem cells.
15 Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or other processes that may also suggest a usefulness in the treatment of cancer e.g. by boosting immune responses.

20 Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also used as an agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immune deficiency diseases such as AIDS, and leukemia. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or
25 receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly
30 available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:18 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically

excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1273 of SEQ ID NO:18, b is an
 5 integer of 15 to 1287, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:18, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 9

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid
 10 sequence: AGNQVEPFHVSLPSCLSPLPHLGHSMSGVPSPTAWPSLASFHTQKKARIRQEEES
 PPLPSPQELAFSALRVFFRV (SEQ ID NO:271) . Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in primary dendritic cells.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as
 15 reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, immunosuppression and cancer. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of
 20 the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., immune, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene
 25 expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 138 as residues: Arg-20 to Lys-44, Arg-59 to Arg-68, Trp-74 to Lys-86, Thr-91 to Val-102. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are
 30 also provided.

The tissue distribution in primary dendritic cells indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment

of a variety of immune system disorders. Expression of this gene product in dendritic cells indicates a role in the regulation of the proliferation; survival; differentiation; and/or activation of potentially all hematopoietic cell lineages, including blood stem cells. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include bone marrow cell ex-vivo culture, bone marrow transplantation, bone marrow reconstitution, radiotherapy or chemotherapy of neoplasia. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or other processes that may also suggest a usefulness in the treatment of cancer e.g. by boosting immune responses.

Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also used as an agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immune deficiency diseases such as AIDS, and leukemia. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:19 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1382 of SEQ ID NO:19, b is an integer of 15 to 1396, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:19, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 10

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with peptide/histidine transporter from *Rattus norvegicus* and other peptide transporters which are thought to be important in transporting amino acids and peptides into cells (See, e.g., Genbank Accession No. gb|AAD24570.1|AF121080_1; all references
5 available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein).

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: FIQQNISFLLGYSIPVGCVGLAFFIFLFATPVFITKPP (SEQ ID NO:272). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome
10 11. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in linkage analysis for chromosome 11.

This gene is expressed primarily in macrophages and to a lesser extent in other immune cells including primary dendritic cells, neutrophils, resting T-cells, B cell lymphomas) and lung and fetal liver spleen.

15 Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, cancer and disorders, particularly of the immune and hematopoietic systems. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are
20 useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., immune, hematopoietic, and/or other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma,
25 urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic
30 epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 139 as residues: Arg-23 to Gln-30, Asp-37 to Asp-50, Glu-230 to Met-235, Pro-271 to Arg-281, Arg-306 to Ser-316, Ser-318 to Gly-325. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in macrophages and other immune cells indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of cancer and other proliferative disorders. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or other processes suggesting a usefulness in the treatment of cancer (e.g., by boosting immune responses). Alternatively expression within embryonic tissue and other cellular sources marked by proliferating cells indicates that this protein may play a role in the regulation or cellular division. Additionally, the expression in hematopoietic cells and tissues indicates that this protein may play a role in the proliferation, differentiation, and/or survival of hematopoietic cell lineages. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. In such an event, this gene is useful in the treatment of lymphoproliferative disorders, and in the maintenance and differentiation of various hematopoietic lineages from early hematopoietic stem and committed progenitor cells. Similarly, embryonic development also involves decisions involving cell differentiation and/or apoptosis in pattern formation. Thus this protein may also be involved in apoptosis or tissue differentiation and could again be useful in cancer therapy. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:20 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1263 of SEQ ID NO:20, b is an

integer of 15 to 1277, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:20, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 11

5 The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with procollagen-proline dioxygenase, an apparently secreted protein which is thought to be important in the formation of 4-hydroxyproline in collagens (See, e.g., Genbank Accession No. pir|A33832|DACHA; all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein). Furthermore, the translation product has
10 an EF-hand domain (Prosite PS00018) which is a calcium binding domain as found in calmodulin, calpain, spectrin alpha chain, etc., (See, e.g. GeneSeq Accession No.R78523; all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein).

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid
15 sequence:

VSAHHPSGADEGVTAHQILPTEEYEEAMSTMQVSQDLFRLLDQNRDGHLLQREVLAQTRLGNGWWMTP
ESIQEMYAAIKADPDGDGVLSQLQEF SNMDLRDFHKYMRSHKAESSELVRNSHHTWLYQGEGAHHIMRAI
RQRVRLRLTRLSPEIVELSEPLQVVRYGEGGHYHAHVDSGPVYPETICSHTKLVANESVVPFETSCRYMTV
LFYLNNTGGGETVFPVADNRTYDEMSLIQDDVDLRDTRRHCDKGNLRVKPQQGTAVFWYNYLPDGQGW
20 VGDVDDYSLHGGCLVTRGTKWIANNWINVDPSRARQALFQQEMARLAREGGTDSQPEWALDRAXXDARV
EL (SEQ ID NO:273); AVFWYN (SEQ ID NO:274); TVLFYLNNTGGGETVFP (SEQ
ID NO:275); DLFRLLDQNRDGHLLQREVLAQTRLGNGWWMTPESIQEMYAAIKADPDGDGVL
LQEF (SEQ ID NO:276); VSAHHPSGADEGVTAHQILPTEEYEEAMSTMQVSQDL (SEQ ID
NO:277), FRLLDQNRDGHLLQREVLAQTRLGNGWWMTPESIQEMY (SEQ ID NO:278);
25 AAIKADPDGDGVLSQLQEF SNMDLRDFHKYMRSHKAESS (SEQ ID NO:279); ELVRNSHHTWLY
QEGAHHIMRAIRQRVRLRLTRLSPEI (SEQ ID NO:280); VELSEPLQVVRYGEGGHYHAHVDS
GPVYPETICSHTKL (SEQ ID NO:281); VANESVVPFETSCRYMTVLFYLNNTGGGETVFPVA
DNR (SEQ ID NO:282); TYDEMSLIQDDVDLRDTRRHCDKGNLRVKPQQGTAVFW (SEQ ID
NO:283); YNYLPDGQGWVGDVDDYSLHGGCLVTRGTKWIANNWIN (SEQ ID NO:284);
30 and/or VDPSRARQALFQQEMARLAREGGTDSQPEWALDRAXXDARVEL (SEQ ID NO:285).

Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome 3. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in linkage analysis for chromosome 3.

This gene is expressed primarily in human endometrial tumor and to a lesser extent in brain, as well as a variety of other normal and cancerous tissues.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, endometrial cancer, in addition to other proliferative disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the reproductive and neural systems, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., neural, reproductive, and/or other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, amniotic fluid, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, lymph) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 140 as residues: Ser-21 to His-33, Ala-35 to Thr-43. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in endometrial tumors combined with the homology to procollagen-proline dioxygenase indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for diagnosis, treatment and prevention of these tumors, in addition to other tumors where expression has been indicated. The polypeptides of the invention is a good target for antagonists, particularly small molecules or antibodies, which block binding of the receptor by its cognate ligand(s). Accordingly, preferred are antibodies and or small molecules which specifically bind an extracellular portion of The translation product of this gene. Also provided is a kit for detecting endometrial cancer. Such a kit comprises in one embodiment an antibody specific for The translation product of this gene bound to a solid support. Also provided is a method of detecting endometrial cancer in an individual which comprises a step of contacting an antibody specific for The translation product of this gene to a bodily fluid from the individual, preferably serum, and ascertaining

whether antibody binds to an antigen found in the bodily fluid. Preferably the antibody is bound to a solid support and the bodily fluid is serum. Additionally, the homology to a conserved collagen metabolizing protein would suggest that this protein may also be important in the diagnosis or treatment of various autoimmune disorders such as rheumatoid arthritis, lupus, scleroderma, and dermatomyositis as well as dwarfism, spinal deformation, and specific joint abnormalities as well as chondrodysplasias ie. spondyloepiphyseal dysplasia congenita, familial osteoarthritis, Atelosteogenesis type II, metaphyseal chondrodysplasia type Schmid. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:21 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1767 of SEQ ID NO:21, b is an integer of 15 to 1781, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:21, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

25 FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 12

This gene is expressed primarily in human osteoblastoma cell lines (5/23 unique sequences) and to a lesser extent in T cells (4/23).

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, osteoblastoma, and other bone-related disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing

immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the skeletal system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., bone and/or other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g.,
5 lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in tumors of bone origins indicates that polynucleotides
10 and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for diagnosis and intervention of these tumors, in addition to other tumors where expression has been indicated. Additionally, this gene is a good target for antagonists, particularly small molecules or antibodies, which block binding of the receptor by its cognate ligand(s). Accordingly, preferred are antibodies and or small molecules which specifically bind
15 an extracellular portion of The translation product of this gene. The extracellular regions can be ascertained from the information regarding the transmembrane domains as set out above. Also provided is a kit for detecting osteoblastoma and other bone related cancers. Such a kit comprises in one embodiment an antibody specific for The translation product of this gene bound to a solid support. Also provided is
20 a method of detecting bone related cancers in an individual which comprises a step of contacting an antibody specific for The translation product of this gene to a bodily fluid from the individual, preferably serum, and ascertaining whether antibody binds to an antigen found in the bodily fluid. Preferably the antibody is bound to a solid support and the bodily fluid is serum. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to
25 determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

30 Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:22 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of

the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1477 of SEQ ID NO:22, b is an integer of 15 to 1491, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:22, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 13

The translation product of this gene is a human homolog of the mouse acetylcholine receptor gamma chain, and is almost identical to a human acetylcholine receptor gamma chain (See, e.g., Genbank Accession Nos.: emb|CAA27442.1| and gb|AAA51568.1|; all references available through these accessions are hereby incorporated by reference herein) which is thought to be important in transmission of nerve impulses to muscles.

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: LLADLMRNYDPHLRP (SEQ ID NO:286); ISVTYFPFDWQNCSLIFQS (SEQ ID NO:287); SMARGVRKVFLRLLPQ (SEQ ID NO:288); QASPAIQACVDACNLMAR (SEQ ID NO:289); and/or YNQVPDLPPFGDPRPYL (SEQ ID NO:290). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided. This gene maps to chromosome 2, and therefore, is used as a marker in linkage analysis for chromosome 2. Included in this invention as preferred domains are Neurotransmitter-gated ion-channels domains, which were identified using the ProSite analysis tool. Structurally, members of the family of Neurotransmitter-gated ion-channels are composed of a large extracellular glycosylated N-terminal ligand-binding domain, followed by three hydrophobic transmembrane regions which form the ionic channel, followed by an intracellular region of variable length. A fourth hydrophobic region is found at the C-terminal of the sequence. In the N-terminal extracellular domain of AchR/GABA/5HT3/Gly receptors, there are two conserved cysteine residues, which, in AchR, have been shown to form a disulfide bond essential to the tertiary structure of the receptor. A number of amino acids between the two disulfide-bonded cysteines are also conserved. We have therefore used this region as a signature pattern for this subclass

of proteins. The consensus pattern is as follows: C-x-[LIVMFQ]-x-[LIVMF]-x(2)-[FY]-P-x-D-x(3)-C.

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: CSISVTYFPFDWQNC (SEQ ID NO:291). Polynucleotides encoding these
 5 polypeptides are also provided. Further preferred are polypeptides comprising the Neurotransmitter-gated ion-channel domain of the amino acid sequence referenced in Table 1 for this gene, and at least 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 50, or 75 additional contiguous amino acid residues of the amino acid sequence referenced in Table 1 for this gene . The additional contiguous amino acid residues is N-terminal or C-terminal to the
 10 Neurotransmitter-gated ion-channel domain. Alternatively, the additional contiguous amino acid residues is both N-terminal and C-terminal to the Neurotransmitter-gated ion-channel domain, wherein the total N- and C-terminal contiguous amino acid residues equal the specified number. The above preferred polypeptide domain is characteristic of a signature specific to Neurotransmitter-gated ion-channels.

15 This gene is expressed primarily in fetal tissues (56/58 unique sequences), specifically lung (42/58) and Dura Mater (14/58). It was also detected (1 sequence each) in a differentially expressed human cerebellum library and human tonsil library

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a
 20 biological sample. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly fetal lung and brain, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues and cell
 25 types (e.g., developmental, neural, differentiating, and/or other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, pulmonary surfactant) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

30 Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 142 as residues: Met-1 to Pro-7, Gln-21 to Glu-27,

Arg-35 to Asp-49, Asn-66 to Leu-72, Trp-82 to Glu-95, Pro-158 to Asn-163.

Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in dura mater combined with the homology to a conserved acetylcholine receptor indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of neurodegenerative disease states, behavioral disorders, or inflammatory conditions. Representative uses are described in the "Regeneration" and "Hyperproliferative Disorders" sections below, in Example 11, 15, and 18, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include, but are not limited to the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of Alzheimer's Disease, Parkinson's Disease, Huntington's Disease, schizophrenia, mania, dementia, paranoia, obsessive compulsive disorder, panic disorder, learning disabilities, ALS, psychoses, autism, and altered behaviors, including disorders in feeding, sleep patterns, balance, and preception. Potentially, this gene product is involved in synapse formation, neurotransmission, learning, cognition, homeostasis, or neuronal differentiation or survival. In addition, the gene or gene product may also play a role in the treatment and/or detection of developmental disorders associated with the developing embryo, and/or disorders of the cardiovascular and pulmonary systems. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:23 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1825 of SEQ ID NO:23, b is an integer of 15 to 1839, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:23, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 14

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: VLKYALFLVLKNYYYYCPY (SEQ ID NO:292). Polynucleotides
5 encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in small intestine and to a lesser extent in lung cancer.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a
10 biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, gastrointestinal and pulmonary disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the intestinal and pulmonary
15 systems, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., gastrointestinal, pulmonary, and/or other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, lymph, and/or pulmonary surfactant) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e.,
20 the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in small intestine indicates a role in the detection and/or treatment of gastro-intestinal disorders including Whipple's disease, Ulcers, and indigestion. Expression in the lung indicates a potential role in the treatment and/or
25 detection of certain pulmonary defects such as pulmonary edema and embolism, bronchitis, cystic fibrosis and lung cancer. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed
30 against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:24 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically
 5 excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1370 of SEQ ID NO:24, b is an integer of 15 to 1384, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide
 10 residues shown in SEQ ID NO:24, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 15

In another embodiment, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence:

15 MREYGVERDLAVYNQLLNIFPKEVFRPRNIIQRIFVHYPRQQECGIAVLEQMENHGVMPNKETEFLLIQ
 IFGRKSY PMLKLVRLKLWFPFRFMNVNPFVPRDLPQDPVELAMFGLRHMEPDLSARVTIYQVPLPKDST
 GAADPPQPHIVGIQSPDQQAALARHNPARPVFVEGPFSLWLRNKC VYYHILRADLLPPEEREVEETPEE
 WNLYYPMQLDLEYVRSGWDNYEFDINEVEEGPVFAMCMAGAHDAQATMAKWIQGLQETNPTLAQIPVVR
 LAGSTRELQTSSAGLEEPPLPEDHQEEDNLQRQQGQS (SEQ ID NO:293).

20 Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in brain and to a lesser extent in pancreas, testes, and other tissue types.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a
 25 biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, neurological, behavioral, gastrointestinal, and endocrine disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the
 30 nervous system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., brain, endocrine, and/or other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, and lymph) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a

disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 144 as residues: Val-33 to Arg-39, Ser-57 to Thr-66,
5 Pro-80 to Lys-86, Pro-155 to Cys-160, Val-215 to Pro-223, Pro-250 to Gly-255, Pro-311 to Glu-323, Arg-338 to Tyr-344, Ser-396 to Gln-401, Pro-410 to Ser-431. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in brain indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection/treatment of neurodegenerative
10 disease states and behavioural disorders such as Alzheimer's Disease, Parkinson's Disease, Huntington's Disease, schizophrenia, mania, dementia, paranoia, obsessive compulsive disorder, panic disorder, learning disabilities, ALS, psychoses, autism, and altered behaviors, including disorders in feeding, sleep patterns, balance, and preception. In addition, the gene or gene product may also play a role in the treatment
15 and/or detection of developmental disorders associated with the developing embryo, sexually-linked disorders, or disorders of the cardiovascular system. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as,
20 antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:25 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of
25 the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1667 of SEQ ID NO:25, b is an
30 integer of 15 to 1681, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:25, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 16

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with the acid labile subunit of the insulin like growth factor binding subunit which is thought to be important in modulating the activity of Insulin like growth factor. In addition, this
 5 gene also shares homology with the melibiose carrier protein (thiomethylgalactoside permease II) of *Caenorhabditis elegans* (See Genebank Accession No. gi|1280135; all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein).

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid
 10 sequence: FQFGWASTQISHLSLIPEL (SEQ ID NO:294); LRYAFTVVANITVY (SEQ ID NO:295); FVYGSMFLDKVANGLA (SEQ ID NO:296); WHLVGTVCVLLSFPPFIF (SEQ ID NO:297); and/or GHFLNDLCASMWFTY (SEQ ID NO:298). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in macrophages and to a lesser extent in
 15 dendritic cells.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, immune and hematopoietic disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and
 20 antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the hematopoietic and/or immune systems, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g. hematopoietic, immune, and/or
 25 other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, and lymph) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic
 30 epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 145 as residues: Ala-28 to Ala-33, Arg-38 to Leu-48, Thr-120 to Lys-125, Gly-155 to Gln-163, Gly-200 to Glu-214. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution predominantly in dendritic cells and macrophages combined with homology to a growth factor binding subunit indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the treatment and diagnosis of hematopoietic related disorders such as anemia, pancytopenia, leukopenia, thrombocytopenia or leukemia since stromal cells are important in the production of cells of hematopoietic lineages. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include bone marrow cell ex vivo culture, bone marrow transplantation, bone marrow reconstitution, radiotherapy or chemotherapy of neoplasia. The gene product may also be involved in lymphopoiesis, therefore, it can be used in immune disorders such as infection, inflammation, allergy, immunodeficiency etc. In addition, this gene product may have commercial utility in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:26 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1935 of SEQ ID NO:26, b is an integer of 15 to 1949, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:26, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

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FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 17

The translation product of this gene was shown to have homology to the T13C5.6 gene product from *Caenorhabditis elegans* (See Genebank Accession No. gi|1049369; all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein).

5 Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: AIPLRVLVVLWAFVLGLSRVMLGRHNVTDAFGFFLGVMQ (SEQ ID NO:299); and/or VGLSRVLGRHTDV (SEQ ID NO:300). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in placenta and small intestine.

10 Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, pregnancy, reproductive, and/or gastrointestinal disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing
15 immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the intestinal and endocrine systems, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., reproductive, gastrointestinal, and/or other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid
20 and spinal fluid, amniotic fluid,) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in placenta indicates a potential role for this protein in
25 the detection and/or treatment of pregnancy disorders such as miscarriage and/or gastro-intestinal disorders such as indigestion, ulcers and Whipple's disease. Alternatively, polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis, prevention, and/or treatment of various metabolic disorders such as Tay-Sachs disease, phenylketonuria, galactosemia, porphyrias, and Hurler's
30 syndrome. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional

supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are
 5 related to SEQ ID NO:27 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or
 10 more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 2272 of SEQ ID NO:27, b is an integer of 15 to 2286, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:27, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 18

15 Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: SFYKMKRNSYDRLRKVV (SEQ ID NO:301). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome 1. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in
 20 linkage analysis for chromosome 1.

This gene is expressed primarily in prostate and spleen and to a lesser extent in most cell types.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a
 25 biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, prostate and immune disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune and endocrine systems,
 30 expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., reproductive, immune, and/or other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, seminal fluid,

and lymph) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in prostate indicates a potential role in the treatment
5 and/or detection of prostate disorders including benign prostate hyperplasia and prostate cancer. Expression in spleen indicates a role in the treatment and/or detection of spleen disorders such as splenitis and spleen cancer. Alternatively, the expression in the spleen may suggest that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this
10 disorders. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Expression of this gene product in tonsils indicates a role in the regulation of the proliferation; survival; differentiation; and/or activation of potentially all hematopoietic cell lineages, including blood stem cells. This gene product is involved
15 in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or other processes that may also suggest a usefulness in the treatment of cancer e.g. by boosting immune responses.

Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also used as an agent for
20 immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immune deficiency diseases such as AIDS, and leukemia. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may
25 show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues. In addition, this gene product may have commercial utility in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly
30 available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:28 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically

excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 516 of SEQ ID NO:28, b is an integer of 15 to 530, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:28, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 19

This gene was shown to have homology to both a human IgE-binding protein as well as to the human gene for Human Factor XIII (See Genebank Accession Nos. gb|S76337|S76337 and Q25893, respectively).

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: LHQLRPPHRFPLIPPAAGAGAPPGCGYCVFWLLNPLP (SEQ ID NO:302), and/or MPWKRAVVLLMLWFIGQAMWLAPAYVLEFQGKNTFLFIWLAGLFFLLINCSILIQIISH YKEEPLTERIKYD (SEQ ID NO:303). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in infant brain.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, neurological and behavioural disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the nervous system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., neural, immune, and/or other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, and lymph) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in infant brain indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for detection, treatment, and/or prevention of neurodegenerative disease states, behavioral disorders, or inflammatory conditions. Representative uses are described in the "Regeneration" and

5 "Hyperproliferative Disorders" sections below, in Example 11, 15, and 18, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include, but are not limited to the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of Alzheimer's Disease, Parkinson's Disease, Huntington's Disease, schizophrenia, mania, dementia, paranoia, obsessive compulsive disorder, panic disorder, learning disabilities, ALS, psychoses, autism,

10 and altered behaviors, including disorders in feeding, sleep patterns, balance, and preception. In addition, the gene or gene product may also play a role in the treatment and/or detection of developmental disorders associated with the developing embryo, sexually-linked disorders, or disorders of the cardiovascular system. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or

15 immunotherapy targets for the above listed tumors and tissues. Alternatively, considering the homology to a conserved human gene for IgE as well as to a conserved blood clotting factor may suggest this gene is useful for the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of immune system disorders. Homology of this gene to a blood clotting factor, specifically, indicates a role in the regulation of the proliferation;

20 survival; differentiation; and/or activation of potentially all hematopoietic cell lineages, including blood stem cells. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or other processes that may also suggest a usefulness in the treatment of cancer e.g., by boosting immune responses.

Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the natural gene

25 product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also used as an agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immune deficiency diseases such as AIDS, and leukemia. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a

30 nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues. In addition, this gene product may have commercial utility in the expansion of

stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:29 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1282 of SEQ ID NO:29, b is an integer of 15 to 1296, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:29, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 20

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: ARAQPFAFQLRPAPGRPGSPVA (SEQ ID NO:304);
AGLPGALTAPAXHHHADSRPAELVVQPLSPPRPLLSHAGLASAAGASSLXRVPGEAESLCALSPGSALR
FPAASCSRPXREPSGDEGTAGALPSPWLAALGPGGRPAVRRVLPRLGGRAGQLPRGLPVPRGLRHAGRY
HLLRLLRAPLLLRRGRRQAGAGRLHQRPPRTGAPRHHCAACLRPLSHRRLHLHCVHHPGLCSGYLLHL
FETQGALAAANPLLTPQLSDRDPADHPDLHQ PQGTLPVQHSHELQHRRLHPQVLLSHLVSWCHPSI
SLTPFSRSPHWLGRAVQTFSSX (SEQ ID NO:305); AGLPGALTAPAXHHHADSRPAELVVQP
LSPPRPLL SHA (SEQ ID NO:306); GLASAAGASSLXRVPGEAESLCALSPGSALRFPAASCSRP
(SEQ ID NO:307); XREPSGDEGTAGALPSPWLAALGPGGRPAVRRVLPRLGGR (SEQ ID
NO:308); AGQLPRGLPVPRGLRHAGRYHLLRLLRAPLLLRRGRRQAG (SEQ ID NO:309);
AGRLHQRPPRTGAPRHHCAACLRPLSHRRLHLHCVHHPGL (SEQ ID NO:310); CSGYLLHLF
ETQGALAAANPLLTPQLSDRDPADHPDLHQ (SEQ ID NO:311); and/or PQGTLPVQHS
ELQHRRLHPQVLLSHLVSWCHPSISLTPFSRSPHWLGRAVQTFSSX (SEQ ID NO:312).

Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome 4. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in linkage analysis for chromosome 4.

This gene is expressed primarily in heart and to a lesser extent in the embryo.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a

biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, cardiovascular and developmental disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the cardiovascular and developmental systems, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., cardiopulmonary, developmental, and/or other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, sputum, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, amniotic fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 149 as residues: Gln-23 to Gly-30, Gln-35 to Gln-43, Leu-73 to Glu-84, Arg-125 to Pro-133, Ser-140 to Thr-145, Thr-153 to Thr-164. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in heart indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the treatment and/or detection of a range of vascular conditions, which include, but are not limited to, microvascular disease, vascular leak syndrome, aneurysm, stroke, atherosclerosis, arteriosclerosis, embolism, vasculitis, myocardial infarction, myocarditis, ischemia, stroke, in addition to developmental and metabolic disorders. For example, this gene product may represent a soluble factor produced by smooth muscle that regulates the innervation of organs or regulates the survival of neighboring neurons. Likewise, it is involved in controlling the digestive process, and such actions as peristalsis. Similarly, it is involved in controlling the vasculature in areas where smooth muscle surrounds the endothelium of blood vessels. Alternatively, the expression in embryonic tissue indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of cancer and other proliferative disorders. Furthermore, protein may play a role in the regulation of cellular division. In such an event, this gene is useful in the treatment of lymphoproliferative disorders, and in the maintenance and differentiation of various hematopoietic lineages from early

hematopoietic stem and committed progenitor cells. Similarly, embryonic development also involves decisions involving cell differentiation and/or apoptosis in pattern formation. Thus this protein may also be involved in apoptosis or tissue differentiation and could again be useful in cancer therapy. Furthermore, the protein
5 may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

10 Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:30 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically
15 excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1965 of SEQ ID NO:30, b is an integer of 15 to 1979, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:30, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

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FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 21

This gene is expressed primarily in human teratocarcinoma cell line treated with retinoic acid and human brain.

25 Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, developmental abnormalities and neural disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For
30 a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the nervous system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., developing, differentiating, neural, and/or other

tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, amniotic fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

- 5 The tissue distribution in teratocarcinoma cell line indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for early diagnosis and treatment of developmental abnormalities, including agenesis, aplasia, hypoplasia, dysraphic anomalies, division failures, dysplasia, etc. Additionally, the gene and its expression can be used for teratogen detection or classification.
- 10 Alternatively, considering the expression within human brain tissue may suggest that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection/treatment of neurodegenerative disease states and behavioural disorders such as Alzheimer's Disease, Parkinson's Disease, Huntington's Disease, schizophrenia, mania, dementia, paranoia, obsessive compulsive disorder, panic
- 15 disorder, learning disabilities, ALS, psychoses, autism, and altered behaviors, including disorders in feeding, sleep patterns, balance, and preception. In addition, the gene or gene product may also play a role in the treatment and/or detection of developmental disorders associated with the developing embryo. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue
- 20 markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

- 25 Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:31 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or
- 30 more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1260 of SEQ ID NO:31, b is an

integer of 15 to 1274, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:31, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 22

5 The translation product of this gene was shown to have homology to the human B-cell growth factor which is known to be involved in the maturation of B-cells (See Genebank Accession No. gi|522145; all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein).

10 Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: VAHTCNLSTLGGQGGRIERTAGQEFKTS (SEQ ID NO:313). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

 This gene is expressed primarily in multiple sclerosis and prostate tissues and to a lesser extent in brain and osteoblasts.

15 Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, muscle, reproductive, and neural disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the central nervous system and/or PNS, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., muscle, reproductive, and/or other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, seminal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

25 Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 151 as residues: Gln-28 to Asp-35. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

30 The tissue distribution in multiple sclerosis indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of neurodegenerative disease states, behavioral disorders, or inflammatory

conditions. Representative uses are described in the "Regeneration" and "Hyperproliferative Disorders" sections below, in Example 11, 15, and 18, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include, but are not limited to the detection, treatment, and/or prevention Alzheimer's Disease, Parkinson's Disease, Huntington's Disease, schizophrenia, mania, dementia, paranoia, obsessive compulsive disorder, panic disorder, learning disabilities, ALS, psychoses, autism, and altered behaviors, including disorders in feeding, sleep patterns, balance, and preception. In addition, the gene or gene product may also play a role in the treatment and/or detection of developmental disorders associated with the developing embryo, sexually-linked disorders, or disorders of the cardiovascular system. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:32 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1517 of SEQ ID NO:32, b is an integer of 15 to 1531, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:32, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 23

The translation product of this gene was shown to have homology to the B0035.14 gene of *Caenorhabditis elegans* (See, e.g., Genbank Accession No. gnl|PID|e242592; all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein).

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: TIKMQTENLGVVYYVKNKDF (SEQ ID NO:314); MVSNNPPY (SEQ ID NO:316); HASEL (SEQ ID NO:317); and/or VEEDYVTNIRNNC (SEQ ID NO:315). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

5 This gene is expressed primarily in bone marrow and to a lesser extent in lung and various tissues.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, hematopoietic, and/or cardiopulmonary disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the hematopoietic system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., proliferating, haematopoietic, and/or other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, pulmonary surfactant) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 152 as residues: Ile-34 to Glu-39, Lys-49 to Lys-56, Val-63 to Glu-68, Thr-73 to Asp-88, Arg-97 to Pro-107. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

25 The tissue distribution in bone marrow indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the treatment and diagnosis of hematopoietic related disorders such as anemia, pancytopenia, leukopenia, thrombocytopenia or leukemia since stromal cells are important in the production of cells of hematopoietic lineages. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 30 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include bone marrow cell ex vivo culture, bone marrow transplantation, bone marrow reconstitution, radiotherapy or

chemotherapy of neoplasia. The gene product may also be involved in lymphopoiesis, therefore, it can be used in immune disorders such as infection, inflammation, allergy, immunodeficiency, etc. In addition, this gene product may have commercial utility in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and
 5 in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or
 10 immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:33 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically
 15 excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 2076 of SEQ ID NO:33, b is an integer of 15 to 2090, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide
 20 residues shown in SEQ ID NO:33, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 24

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: LVALDRMEYVRTFRKREDLRGRLFWVALDLLDLLD (SEQ ID NO:318).

25 Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in T-cells and breast cancer tissue.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are
 30 not limited to, immune disorders and breast cancer. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of

disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., immune, breast, proliferating, and/or other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, breast milk, and lymph) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 153 as residues: Tyr-105 to Pro-113, Gln-122 to Pro-133, Pro-140 to Asp-155. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in T cells and breast cancer indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of immune system disorders. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the expression of this gene product in T-cells indicates a role in the regulation of the proliferation; survival; differentiation; and/or activation of potentially all hematopoietic cell lineages, including blood stem cells. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or other processes that may also suggest a usefulness in the treatment of cancer e.g., by boosting immune responses.

Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also used as an agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immune deficiency diseases such as AIDS, and leukemia. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues. In addition, this gene product may have commercial utility in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the

differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. The expression of the gene in the breast cancer tissue may indicate T-cell mediated immune reaction to the cancer tissue.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly
 5 available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:34 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or
 10 more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 992 of SEQ ID NO:34, b is an integer of 15 to 1006, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:34, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

15 **FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 25**

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with an yeast ankyrin repeat-containing protein Akr1p which is thought to be important in pheromone response pathway (See Genebank Accession No. gi|466522; all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein).

20 Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: SVALFYNFGKSWKSDPGIIKXTEEQKKKTIVELAETGSLDLSIFCSTCLIRKPVRSK HCGVCNRCIAKFDHHCPWVGNCVGAGNHRYF (SEQ ID NO:319); FDHHCPWVGNCV (SEQ ID NO:320); and/or QMYQISCLGITTNERMNARR (SEQ ID NO:321). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

25 The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome 12. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in linkage analysis for chromosome 12.

This gene is expressed primarily in human lung cancer cells, B-cell lymphoma and to a lesser extent in fetal tissues and tumor cells of various origins.

30 Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are

not limited to, cancer of various origins, particularly of the lungs and hematopoietic systems. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells,
5 particularly of the lung, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., lung, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, pulmonary surfactant, and lymph) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e.,
10 the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 154 as residues: Thr-28 to Phe-35, Asp-140 to Ser-145. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

15 The tissue distribution in lung cancer indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of immune system disorders. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the expression of this gene
20 product in lymphomas indicates a role in the regulation of the proliferation; survival; differentiation; and/or activation of potentially all hematopoietic cell lineages, including blood stem cells. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or other processes that may also suggest a usefulness in the treatment of cancer e.g., by boosting immune responses.

25 Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also used as an agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immune deficiency diseases such as AIDS, and leukemia. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed
30 tumors and tissues. In addition, this gene product may have commercial utility in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. Alternatively, distribution

in tumor tissues indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for diagnosis and treatment of cancers of various origins, especially lung B-cell lymphoma, stomach cancer, osteoclastoma. Additionally, this gene is a good target for antagonists, particularly small molecules or antibodies, which block binding of the receptor by its cognate ligand(s). Accordingly, preferred are antibodies and or small molecules which specifically bind an extracellular portion of The translation product of this gene. Also provided is a kit for detecting lung cancer. Such a kit comprises in one embodiment an antibody specific for The translation product of this gene bound to a solid support. Also provided is a method of detecting lung cancer in an individual which comprises a step of contacting an antibody specific for The translation product of this gene to a bodily fluid from the individual, preferably serum, and ascertaining whether antibody binds to an antigen found in the bodily fluid. Preferably the antibody is bound to a solid support and the bodily fluid is serum. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:35 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1773 of SEQ ID NO:35, b is an integer of 15 to 1787, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:35, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

30 FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 26

The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome 15. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in linkage analysis for chromosome 15.

5 This gene is expressed primarily in infant brain and to a lesser extent in a variety of other tissues and cell types.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, developmental and neurodegenerative diseases of the brain and
10 nervous system. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the brain, CNS, and/or PNS, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g.,
15 developmental, differentiating, neural, and/or other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

20 Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 155 as residues: Ser-33 to Ile-41. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in infant brain indicates polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection, treatment, and/or
25 prevention of neurodegenerative disease states, behavioral disorders, or inflammatory conditions. Representative uses are described in the "Regeneration" and "Hyperproliferative Disorders" sections below, in Example 11, 15, and 18, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include, but are not limited to the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of Alzheimer's Disease, Parkinson's Disease,
30 Huntington's Disease, Tourette Syndrome, meningitis, encephalitis, demyelinating diseases, peripheral neuropathies, neoplasia, trauma, congenital malformations, spinal cord injuries, ischemia and infarction, aneurysms, hemorrhages, schizophrenia,

mania, dementia, paranoia, obsessive compulsive disorder, depression, panic disorder, learning disabilities, ALS, psychoses, autism, and altered behaviors, including disorders in feeding, sleep patterns, balance, and perception. In addition, elevated expression of this gene product in regions of the brain indicates it plays a role in
5 normal neural function. Potentially, this gene product is involved in synapse formation, neurotransmission, learning, cognition, homeostasis, or neuronal differentiation or survival. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a
10 nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are
15 related to SEQ ID NO:36 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general
20 formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1187 of SEQ ID NO:36, b is an integer of 15 to 1201, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:36, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 27

25 The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with a zinc transporter, ZnT-1, which is thought to regulate zinc excretion from cells and maintain homeostasis (See Genbank Accession No. gb|AAA79234.1|, all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein; as well as Palmiter and Findley, EMBO J. 14:639-649 (1995), which is hereby incorporated
30 by reference herein). Transformation of normal cells with a mutant rat ZnT-1 lacking the first membrane-spanning domain conferred zinc sensitivity on wild-type cells, suggesting that ZnT-1 functions as a multimer. Deletion of the first two membrane-

spanning domains resulted in a non-functional molecule, whereas deletion of the C-terminal tail produced a toxic phenotype. Transmembrane domains of the protein of the current invention are predicted using PSORT to comprise the following amino acid residues of the amino acid sequence referenced in Table 1 for this gene: Ser-42
 5 to Ala-58, Ala-83 to Leu-99, Leu-115 to Gly-131, Val-249 to Val-265, and/or Val-314 to Leu-330. Therefore, preferred polypeptides of the present invention are the predicted extracellular domains, comprising the following amino acid sequence:
 RVTSSLAMLSDS (SEQ ID NO:322); AIERFIEPHEMQQPL (SEQ ID NO:323); and/or
 NALVFYFSWKGCSEGDFCVNPCFPDPCKPFVEIINSTHASVYEAGPCWV (SEQ ID NO:324). An
 10 additional preferred polypeptide fragment of the invention comprises the following amino acid sequence: AGIRHERNRGRLLCMLALTFFMFMVLEVVS
 VTSSLAMLSDSFHMLSDVLALVVALVAERFARRTHATQKNTFGWIRAEVMGALVNALFLTGLCFAILLE
 AIERFIEPHEMQQPLVVLGVGVAGLLVNVLGLCLFHHSFGFSQDSGHXSHGGHGHGHLPGKPRVKST
 RPSGSDINVAPGEQGPDEETNTLVANTSNSNGLKLDPADPENPRSGDTVEVQVNGNLVREPDHMELEE
 15 DRAGQLNMRGVFLHVLGDALGSVIVVNALVFYFSWKGCSEGDFCVNPCFPDPCKAFVEILIVLMHQFM
 (SEQ ID NO:325). Polynucleotides encoding this sequence are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in colon, lung, liver, lymphoma, osteosarcoma, adrenal gland tumor and fibroblasts.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as
 20 reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, neurodegenerative disorders, as well as gastrointestinal disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell
 25 type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the central nervous system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., neural, gastrointestinal, and/or other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such
 30 a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 156 as residues: Arg-50 to Thr-58, Ser-125 to Gly-132. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

5 The tissue distribution and homology to ZnT-1 indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for treatment and diagnosis of disorders associated with the regulation of zinc homeostasis. Although zinc is an important trace element in many biological systems, several lines of evidence suggest that this transporter may serve as a point of intervention particularly in the treatment of neurological diseases. The metabolism of zinc in the brain has been shown to be
10 regulated by a number of transport proteins, including ZnT-1. Pharmacological doses of zinc cause neuronal death, and some estimates indicate that extracellular concentrations of zinc could reach neurotoxic levels under pathological conditions. In Alzheimer's disease, zinc has been shown to aggregate beta-amyloid, a form which is potentially neurotoxic. The zinc-dependent transcription factors NF-kappa B and Sp1
15 bind to the promoter region of the amyloid precursor protein (APP) gene. Zinc also inhibits enzymes which degrade APP to nonamyloidogenic peptides and which degrade the soluble form of beta-amyloid. The changes in zinc metabolism which occur during oxidative stress is important in neurological diseases where oxidative stress is implicated, such as Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, and
20 amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS). Zinc is a structural component of superoxide dismutase 1, mutations of which give rise to one form of familiar ALS. After HIV infection, zinc deficiency is found which is secondary to immune-induced cytokine synthesis. Zinc is involved in the replication of the HIV virus at a number of sites. Collectively, this transporter may prove useful in the treatment and diagnosis of
25 several disorders related to zinc regulation. Alternatively, the tissue distribution within lymphomas indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of immune system disorders. Expression of this gene product in immune tissue indicates a role in the regulation of the proliferation; survival; differentiation; and/or activation of
30 potentially all hematopoietic cell lineages, including blood stem cells. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or

other processes that may also suggest a usefulness in the treatment of cancer e.g. by boosting immune responses.

Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also used as an agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immune deficiency diseases such as AIDS, and leukemia. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues. In addition, this gene product may have commercial utility in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:37 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1882 of SEQ ID NO:37, b is an integer of 15 to 1896, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:37, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

25 FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 28

The translation product of this gene was shown to have homology to the mouse interferon-stimulated gene 15 and human calnexin (See Genbank Accession Nos. gb|AAB02697.1| and gi|306481|gb|AAA21013.1|; all references available through these accessions are hereby incorporated by reference herein) which may implicate this gene as playing a role in regulation of proliferating and differentiating cells.

Preferred polypeptides comprise the following amino acid sequence:

MFTFASMTKEDSKLIALIWPSEWQMIQKLFVVDHVIKITRIEVDVNPSETQYISEPKLCPECREGLLC
 QQQRDLREYEQATYVHKVVDNKKVMKDSAPELNVSSSETEEDKEEAKPDGEKDPDFNQSXGGTKRQKI
 SHQNYIAYQKQVIRRSRMRHRKVRGEKALLVSANQTLKELKIQIMHAFSVAPFDQNLSIDGKILSDDCAT
 5 LGTLGVIPESVILLKADEPIADYAAMDDVMQVCMPEEGFKGTGLLGH (SEQ ID NO:326);
 SAPELNVSSSETEEDKEEAKP (SEQ ID NO:327);
 FQDKNRPCLSNWPEDTDVLYIVSQFFVEEWRKFVRKPTRCSPVSSVGNSALLCPHGGL (SEQ ID
 NO:329); MFTFASMTKEDSKLIALIWPSEWQMIQKLFVVDHVIKITRIE (SEQ ID NO:330);
 VGDVNPSETQYISEPKLCPECREGLLCQQQRDLREYEQATYV (SEQ ID NO:331); VHKVVDNK
 10 KVMKDSAPELNVSSSETEEDKEEAKPDGEKDPDF (SEQ ID NO:332); NQSXGGTKRQKISHQN
 YIAYQKQVIRRSRMRHRKVRGEKALLV (SEQ ID NO:333); SANQTLKELKIQIMHAFSVAPFDQ
 NLSIDGKILSDDCATLGT (SEQ ID NO:334); LGVIPESVILLKADEPIADYAAMDDVMQVCM
 PEEGFKGTGLLGH (SEQ ID NO:335); and/or KELKIQIMHAFSVAPFDQ (SEQ ID
 NO:328). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

15 This gene is expressed primarily in brain and hematological tissues.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as
 reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a
 biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are
 not limited to, cancers, developmental and regulatory diseases of the brain and
 20 immune system. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides
 are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the
 tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells,
 particularly of the brain and immune system, expression of this gene at significantly
 higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g.,
 25 cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine,
 synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an
 individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e.,
 the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the
 disorder.

30 Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic
 epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 157 as residues: His-26 to Phe-31. Polynucleotides
 encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in brain indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides
 corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of

neurodegenerative disease states, behavioral disorders, or inflammatory conditions. Representative uses are described in the "Regeneration" and "Hyperproliferative Disorders" sections below, in Example 11, 15, and 18, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include, but are not limited to the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of

5 Alzheimer's Disease, Parkinson's Disease, Huntington's Disease, Tourette Syndrome, meningitis, encephalitis, demyelinating diseases, peripheral neuropathies, neoplasia, trauma, congenital malformations, spinal cord injuries, ischemia and infarction, aneurysms, hemorrhages, schizophrenia, mania, dementia, paranoia, obsessive compulsive disorder, depression, panic disorder, learning disabilities, ALS,

10 psychoses, autism, and altered behaviors, including disorders in feeding, sleep patterns, balance, and perception. In addition, expression in T-cells and bone marrow, and homology to the mouse interferon-stimulated gene 15 and human calnexin proteins indicate that the protein product of this gene might also be useful for the diagnosis and treatment of immune disorders including: leukemias, lymphomas, auto-

15 immunities, immunodeficiencies (e.g., AIDS), immuno-suppressive conditions (transplantation) and hematopoietic disorders. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or other processes suggesting a usefulness in the treatment of general microbial infection, inflammation, and cancer (e.g., by boosting immune responses). Furthermore, the protein may also be used to

20 determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

25 Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:38 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is

30 cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1138 of SEQ ID NO:38, b is an

integer of 15 to 1152, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:38, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 29

5 Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: RGERSEELLGREGLSGSQ (SEQ ID NO:336), and/or AEAAEGEKGVRSWAER DCPAPRCWASWGAQPSWDGSQVLLWRSCCCCCWPPAFSTDGRTVTWRGTVQLQGETESAGPSLGPSGG GATWESFTITVILATYLMCRMWASTTTTTTPATXLTTXTTTTTPTATIPATLAEEAAVAGACGQQLPLPSH LFPGQVDPMFPCGRMHLWGERXEQ (SEQ ID NO:337). Polynucleotides encoding these
10 polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in placenta.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are
15 not limited to, developmental anomalies or fetal deficiencies. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the developing fetus, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain
20 tissues or cell types (e.g., reproductive, and/or other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, amniotic fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

25 Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 158 as residues: Gly-35 to Asp-40, Asn-51 to Trp-59. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in placenta indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the treatment and diagnosis of
30 developmental anomalies or fetal deficiencies, reproductive dysfunction, as well as ovarian and other endometrial cancers. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate

ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

5 Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:39 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is
10 cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1003 of SEQ ID NO:39, b is an integer of 15 to 1017, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:39, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

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FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 30

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with ALS (Acid Labile Subunit of Insulin-Like Growth Factor) which is thought to be important in the regulation of IGF availability. As such, it is likely that the product of this gene
20 is involved in the regulation of various proliferation-dependent cellular processes that is attributable to cancer progression (See Genbank Accession No. gi|184808; all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein).

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid
25 sequence: FHGLGRLHTVHL (SEQ ID NO:338), AAFTGLALLEQLDLSDNAQLR (SEQ ID NO:339), HEVPDAPRPTPT (SEQ ID NO:341), and/or AFRGLHSLD (SEQ ID NO:340). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome 22. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in
30 linkage analysis for chromosome 22.

This gene is expressed primarily in cerebellum.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, neurodegenerative diseases, growth deficiencies, osteoporosis, catabolic disorders and diabetes. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the nervous system and other periferial tissues, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., neural, proliferating, and/or other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 159 as residues: Thr-41 to Gly-47, Pro-170 to Asp-176, Leu-257 to Trp-262, Gln-276 to Ser-283, Arg-323 to Leu-330, Pro-362 to Val-374. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution cerebellum and homology to ALS (Acid Labile Subunit of Insulin-Like Growth Factor) indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the treatment and diagnosis of a variety of metabolic disorders, growth deficiencies, osteoporosis, catabolic disorders (including AIDS) and diabetes. Nearly all of the insulin-like growth factor (IGF) in the circulation is bound in a heterotrimeric complex composed of IGF, IGF-binding protein-3, and the acid-labile subunit (ALS). The protein product of this gene therefore may afford the ability to potentiate the biological actions of IGF or similar growth factors and cytokines. Studies which demonstrate the beneficial effect of IGF-I in amyotrophic lateral-sclerosis, would suggest a role in this disease as well. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement.

Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:40 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1763 of SEQ ID NO:40, b is an integer of 15 to 1777, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:40, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 31

The translation product of this gene was shown to have homology to diacylglycerol kinase which is known to be important in lipid metabolism (See Genebank Accession No.gi|1939; all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein).

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: MVVADNRNRASSSSYLCLLLFSLSLFLCHETVCDRATCLFFFLKFFFLFMCRCMSW GFKNFKAGLLMQSMPTSGILRERKRLHVVRIPQGTEKKLETVMQI (SEQ ID NO:342), and/or IPQGTEKKLETV (SEQ ID NO:343). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in brain.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, developmental and neurodegenerative diseases of the brain and nervous system. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the brain, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels

is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., neural, and/or other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or
5 bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 160 as residues: Gly-49 to Ser-54, Lys-61 to Arg-68. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in brain combined with the homology to a known
10 enzyme involved in lipid metabolism indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of neurodegenerative disease states, behavioral disorders, or inflammatory conditions. Representative uses are described in the "Regeneration" and "Hyperproliferative Disorders" sections below, in Example 11, 15, and 18, and elsewhere herein. Briefly,
15 the uses include, but are not limited to the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of Alzheimer's Disease, Parkinson's Disease, Huntington's Disease, Tourette Syndrome, meningitis, encephalitis, demyelinating diseases, peripheral neuropathies, neoplasia, trauma, congenital malformations, spinal cord injuries, ischemia and infarction, aneurysms, hemorrhages, schizophrenia, mania, dementia, paranoia, obsessive
20 compulsive disorder, depression, panic disorder, learning disabilities, ALS, psychoses, autism, and altered behaviors, including disorders in feeding, sleep patterns, balance, and perception. In particular, this gene may have utility in the diagnosis, treatment, and/or prevention of disorders involving the PNS, CNS and/or other tissues which rely on lipid-containing structures such as myelin sheath
25 dependent nerves. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

30 Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:41 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of

the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general
5 formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 989 of SEQ ID NO:41, b is an integer of 15 to 1003, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:41, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 32

10 This gene is expressed primarily in amygdala.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, developmental and neurodegenerative diseases of the brain and
15 nervous system. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the brain, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., cancerous and wounded
20 tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic
25 epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 161 as residues: Met-1 to Lys-6. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in amygdala indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of neurodegenerative disease states, behavioral disorders, or inflammatory
30 conditions. Representative uses are described in the "Regeneration" and "Hyperproliferative Disorders" sections below, in Example 11, 15, and 18, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include, but are not limited to the detection,

treatment, and/or prevention of aphasia, depression, schizophrenia, Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, Huntington's disease, specific brain tumors, mania, dementia, paranoia, addictive behavior and sleep disorders. The amygdala processes sensory information and relays this to other areas of the brain including the endocrine and autonomic domains of the hypothalamus and the brain stem. As such, The translation product of this gene may show commercial utility in the diagnosis, treatment, and/or prevention of various endocrine, cardiovascular, and pulmonary disorders, particularly those disorders directly associated with CNS/autonomic control. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:42 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1187 of SEQ ID NO:42, b is an integer of 15 to 1201, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:42, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

25 **FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 33**

The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome 9. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in linkage analysis for chromosome 9.

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: NPRLPLPRGGSLRLLSSPANSNNAKAYPFSRFPSPIF (SEQ ID NO:344). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in B-cell lymphoma.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, haemopoietic and immune diseases and/or disorders including cancer.

5 Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the haemopoietic and immune system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., immune,
10 hematopoietic, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

15 The tissue distribution in B-cell lymphoma indicates polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the treatment and diagnosis of hematopoietic related disorders such as anemia, pancytopenia, leukopenia, thrombocytopenia or leukemia since stromal cells are important in the production of cells of hematopoietic lineages. Representative uses are described in the "Immune
20 Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include bone marrow cell ex-vivo culture, bone marrow transplantation, bone marrow reconstitution, radiotherapy or chemotherapy of neoplasia. The gene product may also be involved in lymphopoiesis, therefore, it can be used in immune disorders such as infection, inflammation, allergy,
25 immunodeficiency etc. In addition, this gene product may have commercial utility in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. Therefore it is also useful as an agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immunodeficiency diseases such as AIDS, leukemia, rheumatoid arthritis,
30 granulomatous disease, inflammatory bowel disease, sepsis, acne, neutropenia, neutrophilia, psoriasis, hypersensitivities, such as T-cell mediated cytotoxicity; immune reactions to transplanted organs and tissues, such as host-versus-graft and

graft-versus-host diseases, or autoimmunity disorders, such as autoimmune infertility, lense tissue injury, demyelination, systemic lupus erythematosus, drug induced hemolytic anemia, rheumatoid arthritis, Sjogren's disease, and scleroderma.

Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise
5 antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly
10 available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:43 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or
15 more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1162 of SEQ ID NO:43, b is an integer of 15 to 1176, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:43, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

20 **FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 34**

This gene is expressed primarily in breast cancer.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are
25 not limited to, diseases and/or disorders of the reproductive organs and cancer, particularly of the mammary glands. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the reproductive system, expression of this gene at
30 significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., reproductive, breast, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell

sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic
 5 epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 163 as residues: Asp-77 to Gly-127. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in tumors of breast origins indicates that
 polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for diagnosis
 and intervention of such tumors, in addition to other tumors. Representative uses are
 10 described in the "Hyperproliferative Disorders", "Infectious Disease", and "Binding
 Activity" sections below, in Example 11, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Furthermore,
 the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as
 tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate
 their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as,
 15 antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or
 immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly
 available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are
 related to SEQ ID NO:44 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of
 20 the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically
 excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is
 cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or
 more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general
 formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 555 of SEQ ID NO:44, b is an
 25 integer of 15 to 569, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide
 residues shown in SEQ ID NO:44, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 35

Preferred polypeptides encoded by this gene comprise the following amino
 30 acid sequence: MVQEAPALVRLSLGSHRVKGPLPVLKLQPEGWSPSTLWSCASVWKDSC (SEQ ID
 NO:345), and/or ALASSLVAENQGFVAALMVQEAPALVRLSLGSHRVKGPLPVLKLQPEGWSPST

LWSCASVWKDSCMHPWRLSMCPACVLAALPALCSCLCSPDARPPHGWMSMPFTPHPLVSRAMPTCHPCS
(SEQ ID NO: 346). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome 11. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in
5 linkage analysis for chromosome 11.

This gene is expressed primarily in placenta, dendritic cells, brain, and to a lesser extent in infant cells and tissues.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a
10 biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, diseases and/or disorders of developing cells and tissues, particularly growth disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above
15 tissues or cells, particularly of the placenta and other developing organs and tissues, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., developing, neural, placental, brain, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, amniotic fluid, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an
20 individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 164 as residues: Pro-27 to Gly-34. Polynucleotides
25 encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in placental tissue indicates the protein is useful in the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of vascular conditions, which include, but are not limited to, microvascular disease, vascular leak syndrome, aneurysm, stroke, atherosclerosis, arteriosclerosis, or embolism. For example, this gene product
30 may represent a soluble factor produced by smooth muscle that regulates the innervation of organs or regulates the survival of neighboring neurons. Likewise, it is involved in controlling the digestive process, and such actions as peristalsis.

Similarly, it is involved in controlling the vasculature in areas where smooth muscle surrounds the endothelium of blood vessels. The expression within cellular sources marked by proliferating cells (e.g., infant cells and tissues) indicates this protein may play a role in the regulation of cellular division, and may show utility in the diagnosis, treatment, and/or prevention of developmental diseases and disorders, cancer, and other proliferative conditions. Representative uses are described in the "Hyperproliferative Disorders" and "Regeneration" sections below and elsewhere herein. Briefly, developmental tissues rely on decisions involving cell differentiation and/or apoptosis in pattern formation. Dysregulation of apoptosis can result in inappropriate suppression of cell death, as occurs in the development of some cancers, or in failure to control the extent of cell death, as is believed to occur in acquired immunodeficiency and certain neurodegenerative disorders, such as spinal muscular atrophy (SMA). Because of potential roles in proliferation and differentiation, this gene product may have applications in the adult for tissue regeneration and the treatment of cancers. It may also act as a morphogen to control cell and tissue type specification. Therefore, the polynucleotides and polypeptides of the present invention are useful in treating, detecting, and/or preventing said disorders and conditions, in addition to other types of degenerative conditions. Thus this protein may modulate apoptosis or tissue differentiation and is useful in the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of degenerative or proliferative conditions and diseases. The protein is useful in modulating the immune response to aberrant polypeptides, as may exist in proliferating and cancerous cells and tissues. The protein can also be used to gain new insight into the regulation of cellular growth and proliferation. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:45 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically

excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 972 of SEQ ID NO:45, b is an integer of 15 to 986, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:45, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 36

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with ion channel proteins which are thought to be important in many physiological processes including neural and muscular function (See, for example, Genebank Accession No. gi|1065507, and gb|AAC68885.1; all references available through these accession numbers are hereby incorporated herein; for example, FEBS Lett. 445, 231-236 (1999)). Specifically, this protein is homologous to the putative four repeat ion channel of *Rattus norvegicus*. Based upon the sequence similarity, The translation product of this gene is expected to share at least some biological activities with ion channel proteins. Such activities are known in the art, some of which are described elsewhere herein.

Preferred polypeptides comprise the following amino acid sequence:
 FYFITLIFFLAWLVKNVFIIVIIETFAEIRVQF (SEQ ID NO:347), SIFTVYEAAASQEGWV (SEQ ID NO:348), and/or HEGTSIFTVYEAAASQEGWVFL (SEQ ID NO:349). Also preferred are polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides.

This gene is expressed primarily in spinal cord.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, diseases of the central and peripheral nervous system, particularly neural degenerative conditions, and is useful in restoring cognitive function. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the neural system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is

5 routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., neural, brain, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 165 as residues: Phe-8 to Ser-13, Ala-84 to Ser-90. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

10 The tissue distribution in spinal cord tissue, combined with the homology to ion channel proteins, indicates polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of neurodegenerative disease states, behavioral disorders, or inflammatory conditions. Representative uses are described in the "Regeneration" and "Hyperproliferative Disorders" sections below, in Example 11, 15, and 18, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include, but
15 are not limited to the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of Alzheimer's Disease, Parkinson's Disease, Huntington's Disease, Tourette Syndrome, meningitis, encephalitis, demyelinating diseases, peripheral neuropathies, neoplasia, trauma, congenital malformations, spinal cord injuries, ischemia and infarction, aneurysms, hemorrhages, schizophrenia, mania, dementia, paranoia, obsessive compulsive
20 disorder, depression, panic disorder, learning disabilities, ALS, psychoses, autism, and altered behaviors, including disorders in feeding, sleep patterns, balance, and perception. In addition, elevated expression of this gene product in regions of the brain indicates it plays a role in normal neural function. Potentially, this gene product is involved in synapse formation, neurotransmission, learning, cognition,
25 homeostasis, or neuronal differentiation or survival. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or
30 immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are

related to SEQ ID NO:46 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or
5 more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1526 of SEQ ID NO:46, b is an integer of 15 to 1540, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:46, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

10 **FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 37**

When tested against fibroblast cell lines, supernatants removed from cells containing this gene activated the early growth response gene 1 (EGR) pathway. Thus, it is likely that this gene activates fibroblast cells, and to a lesser extent, other cells and tissue cell-types, through the EGR signal transduction pathway. The early
15 growth response gene is a separate signal transduction pathway from the Jaks-STAT, genes containing the EGR1 promoter are induced in various tissues and cell types upon activation, leading the cells to undergo differentiation and proliferation.

This gene is expressed primarily in uterus, colon cancer, synovium, fetal lung, and to a lesser extent in fetal and adult heart.

20 Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, diseases and/or disorders of developing cells and tissues, particularly infertility and cancer. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these
25 polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the developing and reproductive systems, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., reproductive, developing, gastrointestinal, synovium, skeletal,
30 heart, lung, cardiovascular, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, amniotic fluid, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative

to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 166 as residues: Lys-32 to His-38. Polynucleotides
5 encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in developing and reproductive tissues, combined with the detected EGR1 biological activity, indicates this protein may play a role in the regulation of cellular division, and may show utility in the diagnosis, treatment, and/or prevention of developmental diseases and disorders, including cancer, and
10 other proliferative conditions. Representative uses are described in the "Hyperproliferative Disorders" and "Regeneration" sections below and elsewhere herein. Briefly, developmental tissues rely on decisions involving cell differentiation and/or apoptosis in pattern formation. Dysregulation of apoptosis can result in inappropriate suppression of cell death, as occurs in the development of some cancers,
15 or in failure to control the extent of cell death, as is believed to occur in acquired immunodeficiency and certain neurodegenerative disorders, such as spinal muscular atrophy (SMA). Because of potential roles in proliferation and differentiation, this gene product may have applications in the adult for tissue regeneration and the treatment of cancers. It may also act as a morphogen to control cell and tissue type
20 specification. Therefore, the polynucleotides and polypeptides of the present invention are useful in treating, detecting, and/or preventing said disorders and conditions, in addition to certain types of degenerative conditions. Thus this protein may modulate apoptosis or tissue differentiation and is useful in the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of degenerative or proliferative conditions and diseases.
25 The protein is useful in modulating the immune response to aberrant polypeptides, as may exist in proliferating and cancerous cells and tissues. The protein can also be used to gain new insight into the regulation of cellular growth and proliferation. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents
30 that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:47 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 778 of SEQ ID NO:47, b is an integer of 15 to 792, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:47, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 38

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: CKTSFGLA (SEQ ID NO:350). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided. In an alternative embodiment, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: MITLSSAFSAKQKTHAHKNTHACMCATDMANPKLVLFHFEVIVALLSLLQITLSLLLGQRTWLAHLYVLSTENXALHTVGTQKHLLPHDWCFGKHCVSCRHHIFHRFCSIFSSTLKRSQGFEG (SEQ ID NO:351). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in fetal bone, B and T cell lymphoma, and dendritic cells.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, hematopoietic, skeletal, and immune diseases and/or disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., immune, hematopoietic, skeletal, developmental, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, amniotic fluid, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or

another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic
5 epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 167 as residues: Ser-33 to His-42. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in T-cells and dendritic cells indicates polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the treatment and diagnosis of hematopoietic related disorders such as anemia, pancytopenia, leukopenia,
10 thrombocytopenia or leukemia since stromal cells are important in the production of cells of hematopoietic lineages. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include bone marrow cell ex-vivo culture, bone marrow transplantation, bone marrow reconstitution, radiotherapy or
15 chemotherapy of neoplasia. The gene product may also be involved in lymphopoiesis, therefore, it can be used in immune disorders such as infection, inflammation, allergy, immunodeficiency etc. In addition, this gene product may have commercial utility in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. Moreover, the protein
20 may represent a secreted factor that influences the differentiation or behavior of other blood cells, or that recruits hematopoietic cells to sites of injury. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as,
25 antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:48 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of
30 the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or

more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1483 of SEQ ID NO:48, b is an integer of 15 to 1497, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:48, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

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FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 39

This gene is expressed primarily in prostate.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, reproductive diseases and/or disorders, particularly prostate cancer. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the male reproductive system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., reproductive, prostate, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, seminal fluid, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 168 as residues: Pro-21 to Pro-26, Arg-31 to Asn-37. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in prostate tissue indicates that the protein products of this gene are useful for the diagnosis and intervention of prostate cancers, in addition to other tumors within the urogenital and reproductive system. Therefore, this gene product is useful in the treatment of male infertility and/or impotence. This gene product is also useful in assays designed to identify binding agents, as such agents (antagonists) are useful as male contraceptive agents. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions,

in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:49 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1326 of SEQ ID NO:49, b is an integer of 15 to 1340, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:49, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

15 FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 40

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with the human proliferating-cell nucleolar antigen as well as to a protein from Schizosaccharomyces pombe of unknown function (See Genbank Accession Nos. 189422 and gnl|PID|e349594, as well as Medline Article 90315275; all references available through these accessions are hereby incorporated herein by reference). This protein is the most cancer specific of the proliferation- associated nucleolar proteins identified thus far. In addition, it is of special interest because of its expression pattern in the early G1 phase, and, in studies prior to 1989, it has not been detected in benign tumors and most normal resting tissues.

25 In another embodiment, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence:

SATEHGAVCCSCRRVGRGEPGPSIKGLVYSSNFQNVKQLYALVCETQRYSAVLDAVIASAGLL
RAEKKLRPHLAKVLVYELLLGKGFRGGGGRWKALLGRHQARLKAELARLKVHRGVSERNEDLLEVGSRPG
P
30 ASQLPRFVRVNTLKTCSDDVDYFKRQGF SYQGRASSLDDL RALKGKHFLDPLMPELLVFPAQTDLHE
H
PLYRAGHLILQDRASCLPAMLLDPPPGSHVIDACAAPGNKTSHLAALLKNQGKIFAFDLDAKRLASMAT
L

LAXAGVSCCELAEEEDFLAVSPXDPRYXEVHYXLLDPSCSGSGMPSRQLEXPGAGTPSPVRLHALAGFQQ
 RALCHALTFPSLQRLVYSTCSLCQEENEDVVRDALQQNPGAFRLAPALPAWPHRGLSTFPGAHECLRAS
 PE TTLSSGFFVAVIERVEVPSSASQAKASAPERTPSPAPKRKKRQQRAAAGACTPPCT (SEQ ID
 NO:356), CAAPGNKTSHLAA (SEQ ID NO:352), EHPLYRAGHLILQDRASCLPAMLL (SEQ
 5 ID NO:353), LLDPSCSGSGMPSRQ (SEQ ID NO:354), YSTCSLCQEENEDVVRDALQQNP
 (SEQ ID NO:355), and/or YEPHSTHSRERAMTSHARVSLGPSRDPLERPHLAKVLVYELLGK
 GFRGGGGRWKALLGRHQARLKAELARLKVHRGVSRNEDLLEVGSRPGPASQLPRFVRVNTLKTCSDDVV
 DYFKRQGFSYQGRASSLDDLRLKKGHFLLDPLPELLVFPAQTDLHEHPLYRAGHLILQDRASCLPAM
 LLDPPPGSHVIDACAAPGNKTSHLAALLKNQKIFAFDLDAKRLASMATLLAXAGVSCCELAEEEDFLAV
 10 SPXDPRYXEVHYXLLDPSCSGSGMPSRQLEEPGAGTPSPVRLHALAGFQQRALCHALTFPSLQRLVYST
 CSLCQEENEDVVRDALQQNPGAFRLAPALPAWPHRGLSTFPGAHECLRASPETTLSSGFFVAVIERVEV
 PSSASQAKASAPERTPSPAPKRKKRQQXAAAGACTPPCT (SEQ ID NO:357).

Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided. This gene maps to
 chromosome 7, and therefore, is used as a marker in linkage analysis for chromosome
 15 7.

This gene is expressed primarily in T cells and rejected kidney and to a lesser
 extent in keratinocytes and various other normal and transformed, predominately
 haemopoietic cell types.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as
 20 reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a
 biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are
 not limited to, immune diseases and/or disorders, particularly host-vs-graft disease,
 and transplant rejection. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these
 polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential
 25 identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above
 tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system, expression of this gene at
 significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types
 (e.g., rejected transplant tissue, immune, haemopoietic, and cancerous and wounded
 tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal
 30 fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a
 disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in
 healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in T-cells and rejected kidney, indicates
 polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the

diagnosis and treatment of a variety of immune system disorders. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the expression of this gene product indicates a role in regulating the proliferation; survival; differentiation; and/or activation of hematopoietic cell lineages, including blood stem cells. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or other processes suggesting a usefulness in the treatment of cancer (e.g. by boosting immune responses). Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also useful as an agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immunodeficiency diseases such as AIDS, leukemia, rheumatoid arthritis, granulomatous disease, inflammatory bowel disease, sepsis, acne, neutropenia, neutrophilia, psoriasis, hypersensitivities, such as T-cell mediated cytotoxicity; immune reactions to transplanted organs and tissues, such as host-versus-graft and graft-versus-host diseases, or autoimmunity disorders, such as autoimmune infertility, lense tissue injury, demyelination, systemic lupus erythematosus, drug induced hemolytic anemia, rheumatoid arthritis, Sjogren's disease, and scleroderma. Moreover, the protein may represent a secreted factor that influences the differentiation or behavior of other blood cells, or that recruits hematopoietic cells to sites of injury. Thus, this gene product is thought to be useful in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:50 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is

cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1525 of SEQ ID NO:50, b is an integer of 15 to 1539, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide
5 residues shown in SEQ ID NO:50, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 41

The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome 12. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in
10 linkage analysis for chromosome 12.

This gene is expressed primarily in placenta, uterus, 12 week old, early stage, embryo and to a lesser extent in epithelium.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a
15 biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, developmental and reproductive diseases and/or disorders, in addition to disorders of the integumentary system. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of
20 the above tissues or cells, particularly of the developmental and epithelial tissues, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., developmental, reproductive, uterine, placental, integumentary, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, amniotic fluid, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue
25 or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in placental, uterine, and embryonic cells and tissues indicates this protein may play a role in the regulation of cellular division, and may
30 show utility in the diagnosis, treatment, and/or prevention of developmental diseases and disorders, including cancer, and other proliferative conditions. Representative uses are described in the "Hyperproliferative Disorders" and "Regeneration" sections

below and elsewhere herein. Briefly, developmental tissues rely on decisions involving cell differentiation and/or apoptosis in pattern formation. Dysregulation of apoptosis can result in inappropriate suppression of cell death, as occurs in the development of some cancers, or in failure to control the extent of cell death, as is
5 believed to occur in acquired immunodeficiency and certain neurodegenerative disorders, such as spinal muscular atrophy (SMA). Because of potential roles in proliferation and differentiation, this gene product may have applications in the adult for tissue regeneration and the treatment of cancers. It may also act as a morphogen to control cell and tissue type specification. Therefore, the polynucleotides and
10 polypeptides of the present invention are useful in treating, detecting, and/or preventing said disorders and conditions, in addition to other types of degenerative conditions. Thus this protein may modulate apoptosis or tissue differentiation and is useful in the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of degenerative or proliferative conditions and diseases. The protein is useful in modulating the immune response to
15 aberrant polypeptides, as may exist in proliferating and cancerous cells and tissues. The protein can also be used to gain new insight into the regulation of cellular growth and proliferation. The protein is useful for the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of various types of cancer, particularly of the integumentary system. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue
20 markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly
25 available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:51 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or
30 more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1409 of SEQ ID NO:51, b is an

integer of 15 to 1423, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:51, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 42

5 The translation product of this gene was shown to have homology to the human, bovine, mouse, and rat G protein gamma-3 subunit (See Genebank Accession Nos.W09413, pir|A36204|RGBOG3, gi|2582400 (AF022088), and gi|1353498) which are known to play a role in the regulation of signal transduction pathways. Moreover, the protein shares structural homology to a yeast mitochondrion membrane protein
10 Q0225 (See Genbank Accession No. pir|S72689|S72689).

In another embodiment, polypeptides comprising the amino acid sequence of the open reading frame upstream of the predicted signal peptide are contemplated by the present invention. Specifically, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence:

15 NREQKAKSQLLSQLYSTLDLPYFFQCVGTRCTAVCVCVCVCVCVCX
YLPIHWQVNLHLVYLAMLCFLPIPLLSILSPQTQASRLLEDTVRRKHFLTYPFQ
ISSIITQALL (SEQ ID NO:360). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

In yet another embodiment, polypeptides of the invention comprise the
20 following amino acid sequence: MGTHSVSGRFSKTSPPYCPPSSSLPGPISSIGFNKSLHECL
FISEKELLPLPFPFDLKSFI SYLTSMLKPGPLIVSLKIWVSYPITRPRYLPPMLKSLNISFLYIQYIW
AYIHLYTSFYIYIISVSFFLDKPFYVISFPKPPHFLFASLSKTQEFHFHVPQHFFLIFSPQVSSPIS
CFARLLKSPLFTPVPTEISPFYNCAYYSA DIPSPQLVWGPISHQTWLLLLKLGLLPKRGFQVRGDL
(SEQ ID NO:358), and/or CFARLLKSPLFTPVPTEISPFYNCAYYSA (SEQ ID
25 NO:359). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in infant brain, fetal tissue, frontal cortex, corpus collosum, and to a lesser extent in amygdala tissue.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a
30 biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, neural and CNS diseases and/or disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological

probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the central nervous and peripheral nervous systems, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., neural, and cancerous
5 and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic
10 epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 171 as residues: Thr-26 to Leu-33. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in various neural cells and tissues, combined with the similarity to G Protein Gamma-3 subunit indicates polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of
15 neurodegenerative disease states, behavioral disorders, or inflammatory conditions. Representative uses are described in the "Regeneration" and "Hyperproliferative Disorders" sections below, in Example 11, 15, and 18, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include, but are not limited to the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of Alzheimer's Disease, Parkinson's Disease, Huntington's Disease, Tourette Syndrome,
20 meningitis, encephalitis, demyelinating diseases, peripheral neuropathies, neoplasia, trauma, congenital malformations, spinal cord injuries, ischemia and infarction, aneurysms, hemorrhages, schizophrenia, mania, dementia, paranoia, obsessive compulsive disorder, depression, panic disorder, learning disabilities, ALS, psychoses, autism, and altered behaviors, including disorders in feeding, sleep
25 patterns, balance, and perception. In addition, elevated expression of this gene product in regions of the brain indicates it plays a role in normal neural function. Potentially, this gene product is involved in synapse formation, neurotransmission, learning, cognition, homeostasis, or neuronal differentiation or survival. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as
30 tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as,

antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:52 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1350 of SEQ ID NO:52, b is an integer of 15 to 1364, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:52, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 43

The translation product of this gene shares homology with the human alpha-3 type IX collagen protein (See Genbank Accession No.gi|1196421). This protein likely represents a Type IIIb membrane protein. Although the preferred open reading frame of the present invention contains a signal peptide (as delineated in Table 1 and described elsewhere herein), the protein appears to have several transmembrane domains. The transmembrane domains are located at about amino acid position 111 - 162, 137 - 162, 163 - 186, and 64 - 85 of the sequence referenced in Table 1 for this gene. Preferred are polypeptides comprising the following amino acid sequence: PGPEAQPWPGPDLPA VSGRGPGRLLAAVSAPRLGLGLAGADPVGPEACHLP (SEQ ID NO: 361), GRLRGPDEVGAPFHPGPATPGLADPLRPAEPXHWLPSLWGPT (SEQ ID NO: 362), PGPEAQPWPGPDLPAVGSR (SEQ ID NO: 363), and/or ATPGLADPLRPAEPXHWLP (SEQ ID NO: 364). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

In another embodiment, polypeptides comprising the amino acid sequence of the open reading frame upstream of the predicted signal peptide are contemplated by the present invention. Specifically, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence:

QWPEKDPVMAASSISSPWGKHVFKAILMVLVALILLHSALAQSRRDFAPP
GQQKREAPVDVLTQIGRSVRGTLDAWIGPETMHLVSESSSQVLWAISSAISVAFFALSGIAAQLLNALG
LAGDYLAQGLKLSPGQVQTFLLWGAGALVVYWLLSLLLGLVLALLGRILWGLKLVIFLAGFVALMRSVP

DPSTRALLLLALLILYALL SRXTGSRASGAQLEAKVRGLERQVEELRWRQRQXAKGARSVEEE (SEQ ID NO:365). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome 11. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in linkage analysis for chromosome 11.

This gene is expressed primarily in melanocytes, and to a lesser extent in synovial sarcoma and larynx sarcoma.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, melanoma and other disorders of the integumentary system. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the synovial and epithelial tissues, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., integumentary, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 172 as residues: Gln-15 to Phe-20, Pro-22 to Ala-30, Val-160 to Thr-165. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in melanocytes and sarcoma tissue indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the study treatment and diagnosis of various cancers and their metastases, particularly of the integumentary system. Additionally, the homology to a conserved collagen protein would suggest that this protein may also be important in the diagnosis or treatment of various autoimmune disorders such as rheumatoid arthritis, lupus, scleroderma, and dermatomyositis as well as dwarfism, spinal deformation, and specific joint abnormalities as well as chondrodysplasias ie. spondyloepiphyseal dysplasia congenita, familial osteoarthritis, Atelosteogenesis type II, metaphyseal

chondrodysplasia type Schmid. Moreover, polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the treatment, diagnosis, and/or prevention of various skin disorders. Representative uses are described in the "Biological Activity", "Hyperproliferative Disorders", "Infectious Disease", and "Regeneration" sections below, in Example 11, 19, and 20, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the protein is useful in detecting, treating, and/or preventing congenital disorders (i.e. nevi, moles, freckles, Mongolian spots, hemangiomas, port-wine syndrome), integumentary tumors (i.e. keratoses, Bowen's disease, basal cell carcinoma, squamous cell carcinoma, malignant melanoma, Paget's disease, mycosis fungoides, and Kaposi's sarcoma), injuries and inflammation of the skin (i.e. wounds, rashes, prickly heat disorder, psoriasis, dermatitis), atherosclerosis, urticaria, eczema, photosensitivity, autoimmune disorders (i.e. lupus erythematosus, vitiligo, dermatomyositis, morphea, scleroderma, pemphigoid, and pemphigus), keloids, striae, erythema, petechiae, purpura, and xanthelasma. In addition, such disorders may predispose increased susceptibility to viral and bacterial infections of the skin (i.e. cold sores, warts, chickenpox, molluscum contagiosum, herpes zoster, boils, cellulitis, erysipelas, impetigo, tinea, athlete's foot, and ringworm). Moreover, the protein product of this gene may also be useful for the treatment or diagnosis of various connective tissue disorders (i.e., arthritis, trauma, tendonitis, chondromalacia and inflammation, etc.), autoimmune disorders (i.e., rheumatoid arthritis, lupus, scleroderma, dermatomyositis, etc.), dwarfism, spinal deformation, joint abnormalities, and chondrodysplasias (i.e. spondyloepiphyseal dysplasia congenita, familial osteoarthritis, Atelosteogenesis type II, metaphyseal chondrodysplasia type Schmid). Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:53 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically

excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 2274 of SEQ ID NO:53, b is an integer of 15 to 2288, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:53, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 44

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with tumor progression inhibitor which is thought to be important in inhibition of tumor growth as well as its metastasis (See Genebank Accession No. W26667). Preferred are polypeptides comprising the following amino acid sequence:

EXPRXIXGXNAPQVPVRNSR

VDPRVRPRVRSLVFVLFCEVRQWYVNGVNYFTDLWNVMDTLGLFYFIAGIVFRLHSSNKSSLYSGRVI
FCLDYIIFTLRLIHIFTVSRNLGPKII (SEQ ID NO:366), NILLVNLLVAMF (SEQ ID NO:367), and/or QVWKQRYFL (SEQ ID NO:368). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

In another embodiment, polypeptides comprising the amino acid sequence of the open reading frame upstream of the predicted signal peptide are contemplated by the present invention. Specifically, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence:

EXPRXIXGXNAPQVPVRNSRVDPRVRPRVRSLVFVLFCEVRQWYVNGVNY

FTDLWNVMDTLGLFYFIAGIVFRLHSSNKSSLYSGRVIFCLDYIIFTLRLIHIFTVSRNLGPKIIMLQRM
LIDVXXFLFLFAVWMVAFGVAXQGILRQNEQRWRWIFRSVIYEPXLAMFGQVPSXVDGTTYDFAHCTF
TGNEKPLCVXLDEHNLPRFPEWITIPLVCIYMLSTNILLVNLLVAMFGYTVGTVQENNDQVWKQRYF
LVQEYCSRLNIPFPFIVFAYFY MVVKKCFKCCCKEXNXESSVCCSKMXTMRLWHGRVS (SEQ ID NO:369). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in adult liver, prostate, gall bladder, and to a lesser extent, in Hodgkin's lymphoma II.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, liver cancer and other hepatic diseases and/or disorders. Similarly,

polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the liver, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain
5 tissues or cell types (e.g., hepatic, reproductive, metabolic, immune, hematopoietic, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, bile, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not
10 having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in liver and gall bladder cells and tissues indicates polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection and treatment of liver disorders and cancers. Representative uses are described in the "Hyperproliferative Disorders", "Infectious Disease", and "Binding
15 Activity" sections below, in Example 11, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the protein can be used for the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of hepatoblastoma, jaundice, hepatitis, liver metabolic diseases and conditions that are attributable to the differentiation of hepatocyte progenitor cells. In addition, this gene product may have commercial utility in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of
20 various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show
25 utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:54 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically
30 excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general

formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1498 of SEQ ID NO:54, b is an integer of 15 to 1512, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:54, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

5 FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 45

The polypeptide of the present invention is thought to have an intramitochondrial signal indicating that the protein could play a role in metabolic processes, including apoptosis. Based upon this fact, it is expected that the protein product of this gene will share at least some biological activities with other
10 mitochondrial proteins having a similar signal. Such activities are known in the art, some of which are described elsewhere.

In another embodiment, polypeptides comprising the amino acid sequence of the open reading frame upstream of the predicted signal peptide are contemplated by the present invention. Specifically, polypeptides of the invention comprise the
15 following amino acid sequence:

MEFQNMYYIQLFGFSFFIVIIVRMLLLGLCVSARQPVMPRATLWGHLSPA
WVLVPWTPRACGQAAPGRGHVASDHKSGLPWPKHCSCLHPRASQPCLFSLNSNRTVFTAIQRVALGWTF
WVQANLVPRCT (SEQ ID NO:370). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

20 The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome 4. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in linkage analysis for chromosome 4.

This gene is expressed primarily in human prostate cancer, and to a lesser extent in soares melanocyte and human colon.

25 Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, prostate cancer, melanoma, and other diseases and/or disorders of the integumentary system. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these
30 polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the male reproductive system, expression of this gene

at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., prostate, reproductive, integumentary, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, seminal fluid, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having
5 such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 174 as residues: Ser-36 to Gly-41, Pro-43 to Ser-49. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

10 The tissue distribution in tumors of prostate, colon, and integument origins indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for diagnosis and intervention of these tumors, in addition to other tumors where expression has been indicated. Representative uses are described elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include, but are not limited to the detection, treatment, and/or
15 prevention of male infertility and/or impotence. This gene product is also useful in assays designed to identify binding agents, as such agents (antagonists) are useful as male contraceptive agents. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a
20 nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are
25 related to SEQ ID NO:55 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general
30 formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1343 of SEQ ID NO:55, b is an integer of 15 to 1357, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:55, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 46

In another embodiment, polypeptides comprising the amino acid sequence of the open reading frame upstream of the predicted signal peptide are contemplated by the present invention. Specifically, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence:

LLLCVTGVYSYGLMHPIPSSEFMKAVSSFLTAEASVGNPEGAFMKVLQAR
 KNXTSTELIVEPEEPSDSSGINLSGFGSEQLDTNDESDXISTLSYILPYFSAVNLDVXSXLLPFIKLPT
 XGNSLAKIQTVGQNXQXVXRVLGPRSIQKRHFKEVGRQSIIRREQGAQASVENAAEEKRLGSPAPREXE
 QPHTQQGPEKLAGNAXYTKPSFTQEHKAAVSVLXPFSKGAPSTSSPAKALPQVRDRWKDXTHXISILES
 AKARVTNMKASKPISHSRKKYRFHKTRSRMTHRTPKVKKSPKFRKKSYSRLMLANRPPFSAAXSLINS
 PSQGAFSSLGDLSPQENPFLXVSAPSEHFIETTNIKDTTARNALEENVFMENTNMPEVTISENTNYNHP
 PEADSXGTAFNLGPTVKQTET (SEQ ID NO:371). Polynucleotides encoding these

polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in duodenum and cheek carcinoma.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, gastrointesinal disorders and carcinomas, in addition to disorders of the epithelium and mucosa. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the digestive system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., gastrointestinal, epithelial, mucosa, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in duodenal tissues and epithelia indicates that the protein product of this gene is useful for the diagnosis and intervention of tumors and other disorders within these tissues, in addition to other tumors. The expression within embryonic tissue and other cellular sources marked by proliferating cells indicates

this protein may play a role in the regulation of cellular division, and may show utility in the diagnosis, treatment, and/or prevention of developmental diseases and disorders, including cancer, and other proliferative conditions. Representative uses are described in the "Hyperproliferative Disorders" and "Regeneration" sections below
5 and elsewhere herein. Briefly, this protein may modulate apoptosis or tissue differentiation and is useful in the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of degenerative or proliferative conditions and diseases. The protein is useful in modulating the immune response to aberrant polypeptides, as may exist in proliferating and cancerous cells and tissues. The protein can also be used to gain new
10 insight into the regulation of cellular growth and proliferation. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or
15 immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:56 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically
20 excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1975 of SEQ ID NO:56, b is an integer of 15 to 1989, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide
25 residues shown in SEQ ID NO:56, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 47

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with mouse magnesium dependent protein phosphatase (See Genbank Accession Nos.
30 gnl|PID|d1004752 and emb|CAA06555.1| (AJ005458); all references available through these accessions are hereby incorporated herein by reference; for example, J. Neurosci. Res. 51 (3), 328-338 (1998)) which is thought to be important in normal

protein metabolism and possibly gene regulation. Based on the sequence similarity,

The translation product of this gene is expected to share at least some biological activities with phosphatase proteins. Such activities are known in the art, some of which are described elsewhere herein.

5 Preferred polypeptides comprise the following amino acid sequence:

CFSNAPKVSDEAVKKDSELDKHLESRVEEIMEKSGEEGMPDLAHVMRILSAENIPNLPPGGGLAGXRVN
IEAVYSRLNPHRESGAGDLEDPW (SEQ ID NO: 372), CFSNAPKVSDEAVKKDSELDKHLES
RVEEIMEKSGEEGMPDLAHVMRILSAENIPN (SEQ ID NO: 373), RNVIEAVYSRLNPHRESG
GAGDLED (SEQ ID NO: 374), DSELDKHLESRVEEIM (SEQ ID NO: 375), KSGEEGMP
10 DLAHVMRILSAENIPN (SEQ ID NO: 376), and/or CFSNAPKVS (SEQ ID NO: 377).
Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

A preferred polypeptide fragment of the invention comprises the following
amino acid sequence: MSRKSLAFPIICSYLCFLTATCSIACTTVFFANLRHTRYICIELSALET
SGVISPOINNVPVHGKYS (SEQ ID NO: 378). Polynucleotides encoding these
15 polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in prostate and to a lesser extent in melanocytes.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a
20 biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, proliferative conditions and cancers, in addition to reproductive, visual, and integumentary diseases and/or disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of
25 the above tissues or cells, particularly of the reproductive system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., reproductive, visual, retinal, integumentary, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, aqueous humor, vitreous humor, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken
30 from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 176 as residues: Asp-6 to His-13, Asp-114 to Gly-131, Thr-166 to Gln-181, Val-210 to Thr-216, Pro-222 to Tyr-227. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

5 The tissue distribution in prostate tissue, combined with the homology to mouse magnesium dependent protein phosphatase indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the study and treatment of various cancers and reproductive disorders. This protein may play a role in the regulation of cellular division, and may show utility in the diagnosis, treatment,
10 and/or prevention of developmental diseases and disorders, including cancer, and other proliferative conditions. Representative uses are described in the "Hyperproliferative Disorders" and "Regeneration" sections below and elsewhere herein. Briefly, developmental tissues rely on decisions involving cell differentiation and/or apoptosis in pattern formation. Dysregulation of apoptosis can result in
15 inappropriate suppression of cell death, as occurs in the development of some cancers, or in failure to control the extent of cell death, as is believed to occur in acquired immunodeficiency and certain neurodegenerative disorders, such as spinal muscular atrophy (SMA). This protein may modulate apoptosis or tissue differentiation and is useful in the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of degenerative or proliferative
20 conditions and diseases. The protein is useful in modulating the immune response to aberrant polypeptides, as may exist in proliferating and cancerous cells and tissues. The protein can also be used to gain new insight into the regulation of cellular growth and proliferation. The activity of this protein has been determined to be dependent upon the presence of magnesium ions. This protein is useful in the treatment,
25 detection, and/or prevention of various visual disorders, particularly degenerative conditions, and retinitis pigmentosa. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the
30 protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:57 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 2529 of SEQ ID NO:57, b is an integer of 15 to 2543, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:57, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 48

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with ribosomal protein L32 and L14, a mitochondrial protein from rat tissues thought to be important in translation (See Genbank Accession No.gi|868267). Preferred are polypeptides comprising the following amino acid sequence: IQKMTRVRVVDNSALG (SEQ ID NO: 379), PRCIHVYKKNVGK (SEQ ID NO: 380), GDQILLAIKGQKKKA (SEQ ID NO: 381), and/or NPVGTRIKTPIPTSL (SEQ ID NO: 382). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

In another embodiment, polypeptides comprising the amino acid sequence of the open reading frame upstream of the predicted signal peptide are contemplated by the present invention. Specifically, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence:

VLIPSFSSSFLCSRGGPLPXDLSDPMAFFTGLWGPFTCVSRVLSHHCF
STTGSLSAIQKMTRVRVVDNSALGNSPYHRAPRCIHVYKKNVGKVGQDQILLAIKGQKKKALIVGHCMF
GPRMTPRFDSNNVVLIEDNGNPVGTRIKTPIPTSLRKREGEYSKVLAIQNFV (SEQ ID NO: 383). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided. This gene maps to chromosome 6, and therefore, is used as a marker in linkage analysis for chromosome 6.

This gene is expressed primarily in uterus, fetal liver/spleen, human endometrial stromal cells-treated with estradiol and amniotic cells - Primary Culture, and to a lesser extent in, human fetal kidney.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, endometriosis and reproductive disorders, particularly of the female reproductive system. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the female reproductive system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., uterine, endometrium, reproductive, immune, hematopoietic, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 177 as residues: Pro-92 to Ser-102, Leu-127 to Tyr-134. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in endometrium and uterine tissues, combined with the homology to a ribosomal protein indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for diagnosis and intervention of tumors within said tissue, in addition to other tumors where expression has been indicated. This protein may play a role in cellular division, and may show utility in the diagnosis, treatment, and/or prevention of developmental diseases and disorders, including cancer, and other proliferative conditions. Representative uses are described in the "Hyperproliferative Disorders" and "Regeneration" sections below and elsewhere herein. Briefly, developmental tissues rely on decisions involving cell differentiation and/or apoptosis in pattern formation. Dysregulation of apoptosis can result in inappropriate suppression of cell death, as occurs in the development of some cancers, or in failure to control the extent of cell death, as is believed to occur in acquired immunodeficiency and certain neurodegenerative disorders, such as spinal muscular atrophy (SMA). Because of potential roles in proliferation and differentiation, this

gene product may have applications in the adult for tissue regeneration and the treatment of cancers. It may also act as a morphogen to control cell and tissue type specification. Therefore, the polynucleotides and polypeptides of the present invention are useful in treating, detecting, and/or preventing said disorders and conditions, in addition to other types of degenerative conditions. Antagonists, including antibodies directed against this invention, is useful in inhibiting cellular proliferation and thus is useful in inhibiting cancers, in addition to other proliferative diseases and/or disorders. The protein is useful in modulating the immune response to aberrant polypeptides, as may exist in proliferating and cancerous cells and tissues.

The protein can also be used to gain new insight into the regulation of cellular growth and proliferation. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:58 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 763 of SEQ ID NO:58, b is an integer of 15 to 777, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:58, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 49

This gene is expressed primarily in liver, hepatoma and to a lesser extent in epithelial-TNF α and INF induced.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are

not limited to, liver diseases and/or disorders, particularly cancer. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the hepatic system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., hepatic, liver, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, bile, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 178 as residues: Glu-28 to Gly-45, Ser-63 to Gly-69, Gln-96 to Trp-104, Gly-112 to Pro-117, Arg-121 to Pro-128. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in liver and hepatoma tissue indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection and treatment of liver disorders and cancers (e.g. hepatoblastoma, jaundice, hepatitis, liver metabolic diseases and conditions that are attributable to the differentiation of hepatocyte progenitor cells). Representative uses are described in the "Hyperproliferative Disorders", "Infectious Disease", and "Binding Activity" sections below, in Example 11, and 27, and elsewhere herein. The protein is useful in modulating the immune response to aberrant polypeptides, as may exist in proliferating and cancerous cells and tissues. The protein can also be used to gain new insight into the regulation of cellular growth and proliferation. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:59 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of

the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general
 5 formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 865 of SEQ ID NO:59, b is an integer of 15 to 879, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:59, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 50

10 In another embodiment, polypeptides comprising the amino acid sequence of the open reading frame upstream of the predicted signal peptide are contemplated by the present invention. Specifically, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence:

ARVVQPAARAGMWAGGRSSCQAEVLRATRGGGAARGNAAPGRALEMVPGAAG
 15 WCCLVLWLPACVAAHGFRIHDYLYFQVLSPGDIRYIFTATPAKDFGGIFHTRYEQIHLVPAEPPEACGE
 LSNQFFIQDQIALVERGGCSFLSKTRVVQEHGGRAVIISDNALMTASTWR (SEQ ID NO: 384).
 Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome 2. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in
 20 linkage analysis for chromosome 2.

This gene is expressed primarily in breast lymph node, ovary, osteoclast cells, and to a lesser extent in human jurkat membrane-bound polysomes and human placenta.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as
 25 reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, breast cancer and immune diseases and/or disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For
 30 a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., reproductive, endocrine, skeletal, bone, placental,

and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, amniotic fluid, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in human breast and placental tissue indicates that the protein product of this gene is useful for diagnosis and intervention of tumors within these tissues, in addition to other tumors and tissues where expression has been indicated. Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also used as an agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immune deficiency diseases such as AIDS, and leukemia. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:60 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1147 of SEQ ID NO:60, b is an integer of 15 to 1161, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:60, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 51

In another embodiment, polypeptides comprising the amino acid sequence of the open reading frame upstream of the predicted signal peptide are contemplated by the present invention. Specifically, polypeptides of the invention comprise the

following amino acid sequence:

IATAALFFFFYCQVAGFIGKGQSLRSWVPQRLLGLEPQLQPMQQSRLLLP
FLFFLLEGCAPSSLGPGAAPGSGHSLGPPGSPGAPGPQPAVGPSSPCQPGPSPSSPAAAAASSQSSVAS
WPCTLRCAAPSPDASALRPAASPAATPAWSPGSGTIRVLRPPAPAAAPATAITNRGPPRRRRRNARTA

5 (SEQ ID NO: 385). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

In yet another embodiment, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: ERPPPRRTGTPVARPRGPPDPAVAAGTALRAKQFARYGAASG
VVPGSLWPSPEQLRELEAEEREWYPSLATMQESLRVKQLAEQKRREREQHIAECMAKMPQMIVNWQQQ
QRENWEKAQADKERRARLQAEAQELLGYQVDPRSARFQELLQDLEKKERNPQGGKTETEEGGATAALAA
10 AVAQDPAASGAPSS (SEQ ID NO: 386). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided. The polypeptide sequence of the latter embodiment was found to have homology to the human HPK/GCK-like kinase HGK (See Genbank Accession No. gb|AAD16137.1| (AF096300); all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated herein by reference; for example, J. Biol. Chem. 274 (4), 2118-
15 2125 (1999)) which is thought to play a role in modulating gene expression, particularly for genes involved in the c-jun pathway. Based on the sequence similarity, The translation product of this gene is expected to share at least some biological activities with signalling and kinase proteins. Such activities are known in the art, some of which are described elsewhere herein.

20 The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome 19. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in linkage analysis for chromosome 19.

This gene is expressed primarily in HL-60, PMA 4H and to a lesser extent in Soares breast 2NbHBst, Human Pituitary, subt IX, and Human Fetal Kidney.

25 Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, immune, hematopoietic, developmental, and proliferative diseases and/or disorders, particularly promyelocytic leukemia. Similarly, polypeptides and
30 antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain

tissues or cell types (e.g., immune, hematopoietic, reproductive, developmental, proliferative, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene
5 expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 180 as residues: Ser-54 to Ser-63, Asn-132 to Thr-145. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

10 The tissue distribution in HL-60 cells indicates polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of immune system disorders. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the expression of this gene
15 product indicates a role in regulating the proliferation; survival; differentiation; and/or activation of hematopoietic cell lineages, including blood stem cells. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or other processes suggesting a usefulness in the treatment of cancer (e.g. by boosting immune responses). Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the
20 natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also useful as an agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immunodeficiency diseases such as AIDS, leukemia, rheumatoid arthritis, granulomatous disease, inflammatory bowel disease, sepsis, acne, neutropenia, neutrophilia, psoriasis, hypersensitivities, such as T-cell mediated cytotoxicity; immune reactions to
25 transplanted organs and tissues, such as host-versus-graft and graft-versus-host diseases, or autoimmunity disorders, such as autoimmune infertility, lense tissue injury, demyelination, systemic lupus erythematosus, drug induced hemolytic anemia, rheumatoid arthritis, Sjogren's disease, and scleroderma. Moreover, the protein may represent a secreted factor that influences the differentiation or behavior of other
30 blood cells, or that recruits hematopoietic cells to sites of injury. Thus, this gene product is thought to be useful in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of

various cell types. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show
 5 utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:61 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically
 10 excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 673 of SEQ ID NO:61, b is an integer of 15 to 687, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide
 15 residues shown in SEQ ID NO:61, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 52

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with the human hypothetical L1 protein (third intron of gene TS) (See Genbank Accession
 20 No. pir|JU0033|JU0033), which is thought to be important for the regulation of RNA-dependent DNA polymerases.

Preferred polypeptides comprise the following amino acid sequence:

YQSLAETQQKKENFRPISLKNTDAKILNKILANQIQQHIKKLIHNDRVGFIPMQGWFNICKSINIVHH
 INRTKDKNHMIISIDAEKAFDKIRQSFMLKTLNKLGIHGMYLGR (SEQ ID NO: 387), KKENFR
 25 PISLKNTDAKILNKILANQIQQHIKKLIHNDRVGFIPMQGWFNICKSINIVHHINRTKDKNHMIISID
 AEKAFDKIRQSFMLKTLNKLGIHGM (SEQ ID NO: 388), DAKILNKILAN (SEQ ID NO:
 389), IQQHIKKLIH (SEQ ID NO: 390), KDKNHMIISIDAEKAFDKI (SEQ ID NO:
 391), MLKTLNKLGI (SEQ ID NO: 392), and/or KKENFRPISL (SEQ ID NO:
 393) . Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

30 In another embodiment, polypeptides comprising the amino acid sequence of the open reading frame upstream of the predicted signal peptide are contemplated by the present invention. Specifically, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: WTMFIDLHMLNQPCISGMKPTRSL

WISFLMCCWIWFANILLRIFASVFFRDIGLKFSFFCCVSARLWYQDDAGLINEL
GRIPSFY (SEQ ID NO: 394). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also
provided. The presence of the amino acid sequences upstream of the predicted signal
sequence of the latter embodiment may alter the characteristics of the protein of the
5 present invention such that either the full protein, or fragments thereof, are bound to
the membrane in a form analagous to a Type II membrane protein. This form of the
protein is thought to have a cytoplasmic tail covering about the first 21 amino acids.
Based on the structural similarity, the translation product of this latter embodiment is
expected to share at least some biological activities with type II membrane proteins.
10 Such activities are known in the art, some of which are described elsewhere herein.

This gene is expressed primarily in ulcerative colitis.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as
reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a
biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are
15 not limited to, gastrointestinal diseases and/or disorders, particularly ulcerative colitis.
Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in
providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell
type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the
digestive system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is
20 routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., gastrointestinal, and cancerous
and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, chyme, bile, serum, plasma, urine,
synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an
individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e.,
the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the
25 disorder.

The tissue distribution in ulcerative colon tissue combined with its homology
to an RNA-dependent DNA polymerase regulatory protein may suggest that
polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for diagnosis
and intervention of tumors and other proliferative conditions within the indicated
30 tissues, and to a lesser extent in other tissues and cell types. Moreover, the expression
within cellular sources marked by proliferating cells indicates this protein may play a
role in the regulation of cellular division, and may show utility in the diagnosis,

treatment, and/or prevention of developmental diseases and disorders, including cancer, and other proliferative conditions. Representative uses are described in the "Hyperproliferative Disorders" and "Regeneration" sections below and elsewhere herein. Briefly, developmental tissues rely on decisions involving cell differentiation and/or apoptosis in pattern formation. The protein is useful in modulating the immune response to aberrant polypeptides, as may exist in proliferating and cancerous cells and tissues. The protein can also be used to gain new insight into the regulation of cellular growth and proliferation. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:62 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 504 of SEQ ID NO:62, b is an integer of 15 to 518, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:62, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

25 **FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 53**

In another embodiment, polypeptides comprising the amino acid sequence of the open reading frame upstream of the predicted signal peptide are contemplated by the present invention. Specifically, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence:

30 ERPEEGTEPSPSPVAEQASVSMTPVFRAWGLWVYVLPTGFPGPCCMMLLEL
FPKESVPQAYQGILLYLHFGF (SEQ ID NO: 395). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in ovary, testis, Hodkin's lymphoma, resting T-Cell; re-excision and to a lesser extent in soares multiple sclerosis, human corpus colosum, and fetal kidney.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as
5 reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, reproductive, immune, and hematopoietic diseases and/or disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell
10 type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., reproductive, ovarian, testicular, breast, immune, hematopoietic, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, seminal fluid, breast milk, plasma, urine, synovial
15 fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in testicular tissue indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the treatment and diagnosis of
20 conditions concerning proper testicular function (e.g. endocrine function, sperm maturation), as well as cancer. Therefore, this gene product is useful in the treatment of male infertility and/or impotence. This gene product is also useful in assays designed to identify binding agents, as such agents (antagonists) are useful as male contraceptive agents. Similarly, the protein is believed to be useful in the treatment
25 and/or diagnosis of testicular cancer. The testes are also a site of active gene expression of transcripts that is expressed, particularly at low levels, in other tissues of the body. Therefore, this gene product is expressed in other specific tissues or organs where it may play related functional roles in other processes, such as hematopoiesis, inflammation, bone formation, and kidney function, to name a few
30 possible target indications. Moreover, the protein product of this gene has also been shown to be expressed in ovary and breast tissue which, in combination with the detected expression in testis, indicates that this protein represents a secreted factor

that plays an important role in proper reproduction (e.g., hormone, signalling factor, etc.). Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional
 5 supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:63 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of
 10 the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 897 of SEQ ID NO:63, b is an
 15 integer of 15 to 911, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:63, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 54

When tested against U937 cell lines, supernatants removed from cells
 20 containing this gene activated the GAS (gamma activating sequence) promoter element. Thus, it is likely that this gene activates myeloid cells, and to a lesser extent, other cells and tissue cell-types, through the JAK-STAT signal transduction pathway. GAS is a promoter element found upstream of many genes which are involved in the Jak-STAT pathway. The Jak-STAT pathway is a large, signal transduction pathway
 25 involved in the differentiation and proliferation of cells. Therefore, activation of the Jak-STAT pathway, reflected by the binding of the GAS element, can be used to indicate proteins involved in the proliferation and differentiation of cells.

In another embodiment, polypeptides comprising the amino acid sequence of the open reading frame upstream of the predicted signal peptide are contemplated by
 30 the present invention. Specifically, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: RGE
 VPHQPHPTRRTVVSGQAPWXP GPXALGQXVETAAGMGMP LVT VTAATFPTL

SCPPRAWPEVEAPEAPALP

VVPELPEVPMEMPLVLPPELELLSLEAVHRYQXGGTLMGWTRAEASANGS

(SEQ ID NO: 396). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided. In yet another embodiment,

- 5 Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: MVLDPYRAVALELQANREPDFSSLVSPSPRRMAARVFYLLLGECMHVCVCMWGRDTET RGPYRDSPDLSPRLLTSALSATDSSRETRKAIWSPDPAGAQLPLRLESIYKAARKPATSSKPRRASL KKKKK (SEQ ID NO: 397). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided. Polypeptides of the latter embodiment share homology to the human
- 10 hHR21spB (See Genbank Accession No.gi|4101480|gb|AAD01193.1| (AF006264); all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein) which is thought to play a role in DNA repair. Based on the sequence similarity, The translation product of this gene is expected to share at least some biological activities with DNA repair proteins. Such activities are known in the art,
- 15 some of which are described elsewhere herein.

The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome 22. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in linkage analysis for chromosome 22.

- 20 This gene is expressed primarily in resting T-Cells, testis, uterine cancer, bone marrow, and to a lesser extent in cerebellum.

- Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, immune, reproductive, and neural diseases and/or disorders. Similarly,
- 25 polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., immune, hematopoietic, neural, reproductive, and
- 30 cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, seminal fluid, amniotic fluid, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene

expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in bone marrow and resting T-cells, combined with the detected GAS biological activity, indicates polynucleotides and polypeptides
5 corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of immune system disorders. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the expression of this gene product indicates a role in regulating the proliferation; survival; differentiation; and/or
10 activation of hematopoietic cell lineages, including blood stem cells. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or other processes suggesting a usefulness in the treatment of cancer (e.g. by boosting immune responses). Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also useful as an
15 agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immunodeficiency diseases such as AIDS, leukemia, rheumatoid arthritis, granulomatous disease, inflammatory bowel disease, sepsis, acne, neutropenia, neutrophilia, psoriasis, hypersensitivities, such as T-cell mediated cytotoxicity; immune reactions to transplanted organs and tissues, such as host-versus-graft and graft-versus-host
20 diseases, or autoimmunity disorders, such as autoimmune infertility, lense tissue injury, demyelination, systemic lupus erythematosus, drug induced hemolytic anemia, rheumatoid arthritis, Sjogren's disease, and scleroderma. Moreover, the protein may represent a secreted factor that influences the differentiation or behavior of other blood cells, or that recruits hematopoietic cells to sites of injury. Thus, this gene
25 product is thought to be useful in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of neurodegenerative disease states, behavioral disorders, or inflammatory conditions. Furthermore, the protein
30 may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as,

antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are
5 related to SEQ ID NO:64 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general
10 formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 949 of SEQ ID NO:64, b is an integer of 15 to 963, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:64, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 55

15 The translation product of this gene was shown to have homology to the human platelet membrane glycoprotein V, which is a part of the Ib-V-IX system of surface glycoproteins (GPs Ib alpha, Ib beta, V, IX) that constitute the receptor for von Willebrand factor (vWf) and mediate the adhesion of platelets to injured vascular surfaces in the arterial circulation, a critical initiating event in hemostasis (See
20 Genebank Accession No.gi|388760). Moreover, the protein product of this gene was also shown to have homology to human toll and toll-like receptors (See Genbank Accession Nos. W86352, and gb|AF051151|AF051151; all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated herein by reference; for example, Blood 91 (11), 4020-4027 (1998)). Based on the sequence similarity, The
25 translation product of this gene is expected to share at least some biological activities with toll-receptor proteins. Such activities are known in the art, some of which are described elsewhere herein. Preferred are polypeptides comprising the following amino acid sequence: AFRNLPNLRIL (SEQ ID NO: 398), and/or AFQGLFHLFELRL (SEQ ID No: 399). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides
30 are also provided.

In another embodiment, polypeptides comprising the amino acid sequence of the open reading frame upstream of the predicted signal peptide are contemplated by

the present invention. Specifically, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence:

NKXILEVPSARTTRIMGDHLDLLLGVVLMAGPVFGIPSCSFDGRIAFYR
 FCNLTQVPQVLNTTERLLLSFNYIRTVTASSFPFLEQLQELLELSQYTPLTIDKEAFRNLPNLRILDG
 5 SSKIYFLHPDAFQGLFHLFELRLYFCGLSDAVLKDGYFRNLKALTRLDL SKNQIRSLYLHPSFGKLNSL
 KSIDFSSNQIFLVCEHELE (SEQ ID NO: 400). Polynucleotides encoding these
 polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in pancreatic tumors.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as
 10 reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a
 biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are
 not limited to, pancreatic cancer; impaired pancreatic function; altered carbohydrate
 metabolism; and immune and hematopoietic diseases and/or disorders. Similarly,
 polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing
 15 immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For
 a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the pancreas or
 endocrine system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is
 routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., pancreatic, gastrointestinal,
 immune, hematopoietic, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g.,
 20 lymph, serum, plasma, urine, bile, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or
 cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard
 gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from
 an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in pancreatic tumors indicates that polynucleotides and
 25 polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and/or treatment
 of disorders of the pancreas. Expression of this gene product in pancreas tumors
 indicates a potential involvement in pancreatic cancer, and indicates that the gene
 product may play more general roles in cellular proliferation and/or apoptosis as well.
 Alternately, expression in the pancreas may suggest a general involvement in
 30 pancreatic function, and implicate the utility of this gene product in a variety of
 pancreatic disorders. Alternately, as this protein is a secreted protein, it may simply be
 produced by the pancreas to have effects at other sites within the body or endocrine

system. In addition, the homology to a conserved receptor for von Willebrand factor indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the treatment and diagnosis of hematopoietic related disorders such as anemia, pancytopenia, leukopenia, thrombocytopenia or leukemia since stromal cells are important in the production of cells of hematopoietic lineages. The uses include bone marrow cell ex vivo culture, bone marrow transplantation, bone marrow reconstitution, radiotherapy or chemotherapy of neoplasia. The gene product may also be involved in lymphopoiesis, therefore, it can be used in immune disorders such as infection, inflammation, allergy, immunodeficiency etc. The product of this gene may also show utility in the treatment of vascular diseases such as atherosclerosis and stroke. The protein is useful in modulating the immune response to aberrant polypeptides, as may exist in proliferating and cancerous cells and tissues. The protein can also be used to gain new insight into the regulation of cellular growth and proliferation. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:65 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 987 of SEQ ID NO:65, b is an integer of 15 to 1001, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:65, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

30 FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 56

In another embodiment, polypeptides comprising the amino acid sequence of the open reading frame upstream of the predicted signal peptide are contemplated by

the present invention. Specifically, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence:

5 AHAALQLSLRTCPCSSPYPHAGLAALLTHMWALQLSLPTCGLAALLTHMRPCSSPYPHAGLAALLTHM
 GPCRSPYPHGGLAAVLTHMRALQLSLPTWGLAALLTHMRPCSSPYPHAGLACCWLWSLSSHRSLOVQAT
 HRLVVRTIKDRVMLKVLPQTRRRGPFLLSSCRNDVMRNCVPRHAVLVTTCTVFVSFPTHCKVGITGPITQV
 KQKPGNHSSPCPVIQLVAKAEFELMLPSVPKPVYLTLLVLSWCWCLCDVPCLSVSL (SEQ ID NO:
 401) . Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided. It has been
 determined that the protein product of this gene has a conserved G-protein receptor
 motif beginning at amino acid position 89 and ending at amino acid position 105 of
 10 the amino acid sequence referenced in Table 1 for this gene.

 Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid
 sequence: LACCWLWSLSSHRSLOV (SEQ ID NO: 402) . Polynucleotides encoding
 these polypeptides are also provided.

 This gene is expressed primarily in tonsils and anergic T-cells.

15 Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as
 reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a
 biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are
 not limited to, immune system disorders; immune dysfunction; impaired immune
 surveillance. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are
 20 useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the
 tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells,
 particularly of the immune system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or
 lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., immune,
 hematopoietic, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph,
 25 serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample
 taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene
 expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an
 individual not having the disorder.

30 Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic
 epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 185 as residues: Pro-22 to Pro-28, Pro-41 to His-48,
 Pro-79 to His-86, Pro-126 to Phe-134, Ser-137 to Met-143, Gln-176 to Ser-186.
 Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in T-cells and tonsils, combined with the identification of a G-protein receptor motif within the open reading frame, indicates polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of immune system disorders. Representative uses are described in the

5 "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the expression of this gene product indicates a role in regulating the proliferation; survival; differentiation; and/or activation of hematopoietic cell lineages, including blood stem cells. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or

10 other processes suggesting a usefulness in the treatment of cancer (e.g. by boosting immune responses). Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also useful as an agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immunodeficiency diseases such as AIDS, leukemia, rheumatoid arthritis, granulomatous disease,

15 inflammatory bowel disease, sepsis, acne, neutropenia, neutrophilia, psoriasis, hypersensitivities, such as T-cell mediated cytotoxicity; immune reactions to transplanted organs and tissues, such as host-versus-graft and graft-versus-host diseases, or autoimmunity disorders, such as autoimmune infertility, lense tissue injury, demyelination, systemic lupus erythematosus, drug induced hemolytic anemia,

20 rheumatoid arthritis, Sjogren's disease, and scleroderma. Moreover, the protein may represent a secreted factor that influences the differentiation or behavior of other blood cells, or that recruits hematopoietic cells to sites of injury. Thus, this gene product is thought to be useful in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of

25 various cell types. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

30 Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:66 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of

the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general
5 formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1544 of SEQ ID NO:66, b is an integer of 15 to 1558, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:66, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 57

10 This gene is expressed primarily in healing groin wound (6.5 hours post incision), and to a lesser extent in testis.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are
15 not limited to, wounded tissues; disorders involving tissue repair; male reproductive disorders; mucositis; tissue degeneration. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the reproductive system, expression of this
20 gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., reproductive, testis, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, seminal fluid, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in
25 healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 186 as residues: Ser-59 to Gly-68. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in healing groin wound and testis indicates that
30 polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for therapeutic use as an agent to facilitate wound healing and tissue regeneration. Expression of this product during wound healing indicates that it may play a beneficial role during the

process. Alternately, expression during wound healing may also suggest that it plays a negative role during the process, e.g. fibrosis and scarring, and that therapeutics designed to counter the effects of this protein is even more beneficial. In addition, expression of this protein within the groin and testis indicates that it may play a role in reproductive system function - particularly male reproductive function - and that this protein may even have potential uses as a male contraceptive. Alternately, The tissue distribution in testicular tissue indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the treatment and diagnosis of conditions concerning proper testicular function (e.g. endocrine function, sperm maturation), as well as cancer. Therefore, this gene product is useful in the treatment of male infertility and/or impotence. This gene product is also useful in assays designed to identify binding agents, as such agents (antagonists) are useful as male contraceptive agents. Similarly, the protein is believed to be useful in the treatment and/or diagnosis of testicular cancer. The testes are also a site of active gene expression of transcripts that is expressed, particularly at low levels, in other tissues of the body. Therefore, this gene product is expressed in other specific tissues or organs where it may play related functional roles in other processes, such as hematopoiesis, inflammation, bone formation, and kidney function, to name a few possible target indications. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:67 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1308 of SEQ ID NO:67, b is an

integer of 15 to 1322, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:67, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 58

5 A preferred polypeptide fragment of the invention comprises the following amino acid sequence: MGEASPPAPARRHLLVLLLLLSTLVIPSAAPAIHDADAQESSLGLTGLQS LLQGFSRLFLKVTCFGA (SEQ ID NO: 403). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

10 This gene is expressed primarily in testis, and to a lesser extent in brain and fetal heart.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, neurodegenerative disorders; psychological disorders; learning
15 disabilities; altered heart function; altered male reproductive function. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the brain and nervous system, cardiovascular system, or reproductive system, expression of this
20 gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., reproductive, testis, developmental, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, seminal fluid, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression
25 level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 187 as residues: Pro-82 to His-93. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

30 The tissue distribution in testicular tissue indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the treatment and diagnosis of conditions concerning proper testicular function (e.g. endocrine function, sperm maturation), as well as cancer. Therefore, this gene product is useful in the treatment

of male infertility and/or impotence. This gene product is also useful in assays designed to identify binding agents, as such agents (antagonists) are useful as male contraceptive agents. Similarly, the protein is believed to be useful in the treatment and/or diagnosis of testicular cancer. The testes are also a site of active gene
5 expression of transcripts that is expressed, particularly at low levels, in other tissues of the body. Therefore, this gene product is expressed in other specific tissues or organs where it may play related functional roles in other processes, such as hematopoiesis, inflammation, bone formation, and kidney function, to name a few possible target indications. Alternatively, The tissue distribution in brain indicates
10 that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and/or treatment of brain and nervous system disorders. Expression of this gene product in a variety of brain regions indicates a role in brain and nervous system function. This indicates that the protein product is useful in the treatment of neurodegenerative disorders; learning disabilities; psychoses; and behaviours,
15 including feeding; sleeping; perception; balance; etc. Therefore, this gene product is useful in the treatment of a variety of heart conditions, including myocardial infarction; congestive heart failure; arrhythmias; coronary occlusion; and a variety of other disorders of the heart. The secreted protein can also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or
20 receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, and as nutritional supplements. It may also have a very wide range of biological activities. Representative uses are described in the "Chemotaxis" and "Binding Activity" sections below, in Examples 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, and 20, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the protein may possess the following activities: cytokine, cell
25 proliferation/differentiation modulating activity or induction of other cytokines; immunostimulating/immunosuppressant activities (e.g. for treating human immunodeficiency virus infection, cancer, autoimmune diseases and allergy); regulation of hematopoiesis (e.g. for treating anemia or as adjunct to chemotherapy); stimulation or growth of bone, cartilage, tendons, ligaments and/or nerves (e.g. for
30 treating wounds, stimulation of follicle stimulating hormone (for control of fertility); chemotactic and chemokinetic activities (e.g. for treating infections, tumors); hemostatic or thrombolytic activity (e.g. for treating hemophilia, cardiac infarction

etc.); anti-inflammatory activity (e.g. for treating septic shock, Crohn's disease); as antimicrobials; for treating psoriasis or other hyperproliferative diseases; for regulation of metabolism, and behavior. Also contemplated is the use of the corresponding nucleic acid in gene therapy procedures. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:68 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 851 of SEQ ID NO:68, b is an integer of 15 to 865, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:68, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 59

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with alpha 1,3 galactosyltransferase which is thought to be important in the regulation of protein glycosylation and sugar transfer (See Genbank Accession No. bs|150271; all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein).

Preferred polypeptides comprise the following amino acid sequence:

MLVVSTV IIVFWEFINSTEGSFLWIYH SKNPEVDDSSAQKGWFLSWFNNGIHNYQQGEEDIDKEKGRE
ETKGRKMTQQSFGYGTGLIQT (SEQ ID NO: 404), and/or FPGRTHASGNVKGKVILS
(SEQ ID NO: 405). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

In another embodiment, polypeptides comprising the amino acid sequence of the open reading frame upstream of the predicted signal peptide are contemplated by

the present invention. Specifically, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence:

ADQEKIRNVKGKVLVSTVLIIVFWEFINSTEGSFLWIYHSKNPEV

DDSSAQKGWWFLSWFNNGIHNYYQQGEEDIDKEKGREETKGRKMTQQSFGYGTGLIQT (SEQ ID NO:

5 406) . Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided. The presence of the upstream amino acids of the latter embodiment may significantly alter the secreted characteristics of the present invention. Namely, either the full-length protein, or fragments thereof, is come membrane bound in a mechanism analagous to type II membrane proteins. Based on the such characteristics, the translation product
10 of this latter embodiment is expected to share at least some biological activities with type II membrane proteins. Such activities are known in the art, some of which are described elsewhere herein. fragments.

The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome 9. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in
15 linkage analysis for chromosome 9.

This gene is expressed primarily in primary dendritic cells, neutrophils, and T cells and to a lesser extent in liver hepatoma and infant brain.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a
20 biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, immune dysfunction, hematopoietic disorders; inflammation; neurodegenerative disorders; liver hepatoma; T cell lymphoma. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For
25 a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system, liver, or CNS, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., immune, hematopoietic, neural, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an
30 individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 188 as residues: His-27 to Gly-41, Gln-56 to Tyr-83. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

5 The tissue distribution in dendritic cells, combined with the homology to galactosyltransferases indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and/or treatment of a variety of disorders, particularly of the immune and nervous systems since normal function of such tissues depends upon proper glycoprotein recognition and galactosyltransferase function. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Expression of this gene product in dendritic cells indicates a role in the regulation of the immune system and responses to infectious agents. This may involve roles in antigen presentation, antigen processing, stimulation and activation of B and T cells, or stimulation/activation of dendritic cells themselves. This is evidenced by effects on
15 cytokine production. Expression of this gene product in other hematopoietic cells such as T cells and neutrophils also indicates roles in the functions of those cells as well, and involvement in the proliferation, survival, and/or differentiation of hematopoietic cells in general. In addition, the expression also indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the
20 treatment and diagnosis of hematopoietic related disorders such as anemia, pancytopenia, leukopenia, thrombocytopenia or leukemia since stromal cells are important in the production of cells of hematopoietic lineages. The uses may include bone marrow cell ex vivo culture, bone marrow transplantation, bone marrow reconstitution, radiotherapy or chemotherapy of neoplasia. The gene product may also
25 be involved in lymphopoiesis, therefore, it can be used in immune disorders such as infection, inflammation, allergy, immunodeficiency etc. Expression of this gene product within infant brain also indicates a role in neuron survival, synapse formation, neurotransmission, perception, etc. The protein is useful in the treatment and/or prevention of degenerative myelinating diseases and/or disorders, particularly
30 multiple sclerosis, in addition to other disorders which occur secondary to aberrant fatty-acid metabolism. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or

receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

5 Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:69 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is
10 cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1136 of SEQ ID NO:69, b is an integer of 15 to 1150, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:69, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

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FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 60

This gene is expressed primarily in small intestine and leukocytes.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a
20 biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, hematopoietic disorders; inflammation; allergy; impaired immunity; autoimmunity, and gastrointestinal disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of
25 the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., gastrointestinal, immune, hematopoietic, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a
30 disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in leukocytes indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and/or treatment of a variety of hematopoietic disorders. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Expression of this gene product in small intestines and leukocytes indicates that it is expressed by various hematopoietic cells, for example, in the peyer's patches of intestine as well as within the circulation itself. Thus, it may play a role in the proliferation; survival; differentiation; or activation of various hematopoietic cell lineages. This may affect the cells' ability to recognize antigen; mount an immune response; participate in inflammatory processes; and effectively patrol the body for infectious or foreign agents. Alternately, expression of this gene product in small intestine may reflect a role in digestion and food processing. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:70 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1384 of SEQ ID NO:70, b is an integer of 15 to 1398, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:70, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 61

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with the *Drosophila strabismus* gene product which is thought to regulate tissue polarity and cell fate decisions (See Genebank Accession No.gi|2854044 (AF044208); all

references available through this reference are hereby incorporated herein by reference). When tested against U937 cell lines, supernatants removed from cells containing this gene activated the GAS (gamma activating sequence) promoter element. Thus, it is likely that this gene activates myeloid cells, and to a lesser extent, other cells and tissue cell types, through the JAK-STAT signal transduction pathway. GAS is a promoter element found upstream of many genes which are involved in the Jak-STAT pathway. The Jak-STAT pathway is a large, signal transduction pathway involved in the differentiation and proliferation of cells. Therefore, activation of the Jak-STAT pathway, reflected by the binding of the GAS element, can be used to indicate proteins involved in the proliferation and differentiation of cells.

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: MQSPLVECPPPSIHYWPSVPAGAQQGACSPMFHAAGWSRSQPNGEIPASSXGHLSIQRAAL VVLENYYKDFTIYNPNLLTASKFRAAKHMAGLKVYNVDGPSNNATGQSRAMIAAAARRRDSSHNELYYE EAEHERRVKRKARLVVAVEEAFIHIQRLQAEQQKAPGEVMDPREAAQAIFPSMARALQKYLRIIRQQ NYHSMESILQAPGLLHHQRHDPQGLPRTVPQCGPHPAI (SEQ ID NO: 407), LSIQRAALV VLENYYKDFTIYNP (SEQ ID NO: 408), DSSHNELYYEAEHE (SEQ ID NO: 409), and/or FPSMARALQKYLRIIRQQ (SEQ ID NO: 410). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

A preferred polypeptide fragment of the invention comprises the following amino acid sequence: MAFKLLILLIGTWALFFRKRRADMPRVFVFRALLLVLI FLFCGFPPIGFFT GSAFWTLGNRNYQGIVQYAVSPCGMPSSFHPLLAIRPCWSSGSLQPNVPRCRLVPLPTEWGNPRFQXGT PEYPASSIGGPRKLLQRFHHL (SEQ ID NO: 411). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

The translation product of this gene was determined to have a transmembrane domain located at amino acid position 249 - 266 of the amino sequence referenced in Table 1 for this gene. Likewise, this protein is thought to be a Type II membrane protein.

This gene is expressed primarily in human osteoclast stromal cells, fetal liver and spleen, and in endometrial tumors and to a lesser extent in hematopoietic cells, including T-cells and CD34 positive cells isolated from cord blood, as well as the thymus, fetal heart, 8 week old whole embryos, and tumors of pancreatic and testicular origin.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, immune system disorders, including AIDS and other hematopoietic diseases and/or disorders, in addition to tumors of osteoclast, endometrial, pancreatic, or testicular origin. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system as well as biological processes involved in cellular proliferation and/or differentiation, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., immune, haematopoietic, skeletal, cancerous, and/or other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, lymph, breast milk, and/or seminal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 190 as residues: Pro-17 to Gln-24, Asp-86 to Ser-96, Arg-106 to Asn-112, Ala-119 to Ala-130, Ala-148 to Pro-155, Gln-223 to Leu-230. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in immune cells and tissues, combined with the detected GAS biological activity, indicates polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of immune system disorders. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the expression of this gene product indicates a role in regulating the proliferation; survival; differentiation; and/or activation of hematopoietic cell lineages, including blood stem cells. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or other processes suggesting a usefulness in the treatment of cancer (e.g. by boosting immune responses). Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the

natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also useful as an agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immunodeficiency diseases such as AIDS, leukemia, rheumatoid arthritis, granulomatous disease, inflammatory bowel disease, sepsis, acne, neutropenia, neutrophilia, psoriasis, hypersensitivities, such as T-cell mediated cytotoxicity; immune reactions to transplanted organs and tissues, such as host-versus-graft and graft-versus-host diseases, or autoimmunity disorders, such as autoimmune infertility, lense tissue injury, demyelination, systemic lupus erythematosus, drug induced hemolytic anemia, rheumatoid arthritis, Sjogren's disease, and scleroderma. Moreover, the protein may represent a secreted factor that influences the differentiation or behavior of other blood cells, or that recruits hematopoietic cells to sites of injury. Thus, this gene product is thought to be useful in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. Alternatively, the tissue expression in liver tissues indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection and treatment of liver disorders and cancers (e.g. hepatoblastoma, jaundice, hepatitis, liver metabolic diseases and conditions that are attributable to the differentiation of hepatocyte progenitor cells). In addition the expression in fetus would suggest a useful role for the protein product in developmental abnormalities, fetal deficiencies, pre-natal disorders and various wound-healing models and/or tissue traumas. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:71 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general

formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1543 of SEQ ID NO:71, b is an integer of 15 to 1557, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:71, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

5 **FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 62**

A preferred polypeptide fragment of the invention comprises the following amino acid sequence: MGLPVSAPPALWVLGCCALLLSLWALCTACRSPRTL (SEQ ID NO: 412). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

10 This gene is expressed primarily in human thymus, human synovial sarcoma, and to a lesser extent in breast cancer cells.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, immune diseases and/or disorders, particularly autoimmune disorders
15 such as arthritis. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., immune,
20 hematopoietic, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

25 Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 191 as residues: Pro-40 to Arg-50, Ser-72 to Arg-77, His-82 to Leu-91, Gln-171 to Glu-189, Val-203 to Gly-222, Pro-263 to Thr-269, Ser-282 to Trp-287. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in thymus indicates polynucleotides and polypeptides
30 corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of immune system disorders. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19,

20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the expression of this gene product indicates a role in regulating the proliferation; survival; differentiation; and/or activation of hematopoietic cell lineages, including blood stem cells. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or other processes suggesting a usefulness in the treatment of cancer (e.g. by boosting immune responses). Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also useful as an agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immunodeficiency diseases such as AIDS, leukemia, rheumatoid arthritis, granulomatous disease, inflammatory bowel disease, sepsis, acne, neutropenia, neutrophilia, psoriasis, hypersensitivities, such as T-cell mediated cytotoxicity; immune reactions to transplanted organs and tissues, such as host-versus-graft and graft-versus-host diseases, or autoimmunity disorders, such as autoimmune infertility, lense tissue injury, demyelination, systemic lupus erythematosus, drug induced hemolytic anemia, rheumatoid arthritis, Sjogren's disease, and scleroderma. Moreover, the protein may represent a secreted factor that influences the differentiation or behavior of other blood cells, or that recruits hematopoietic cells to sites of injury. Thus, this gene product is thought to be useful in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. The protein is useful in modulating the immune response to aberrant polypeptides, as may exist in cancerous and/or proliferative cells and tissues. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:72 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or

more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1149 of SEQ ID NO:72, b is an integer of 15 to 1163, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:72, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

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FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 63

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with human, porcine, and mouse zona pellucida binding protein sp 38 which is known to be important in sperm binding to the zona pellucida of an egg cell. Monoclonal antibodies directed against this protein have resulted in inhibition of the sperm/egg binding reaction. As such The translation product of this gene may show commercial utility as a contraceptive. (See Genbank Accession No. gnl|PID|d1005021; all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein).

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Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: IYGKTGQPDKIYVELHQNSP (SEQ ID NO: 413), FLEPLSGLYTCTLSYK (SEQ ID NO: 414), LQVVRLDSCRPGFGKN (SEQ ID NO: 415), and/or CVSVLTYGAKSC (SEQ ID NO: 416). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in a human testes library. It has not been found in other libraries screened at HGS.

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Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, infertility, and/or other reproductive diseases and/or disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the male and female reproductive systems, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., testes, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g. seminal fluid, lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression

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level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 192 as residues: Lys-35 to Asp-40, Pro-75 to Asn-84,
5 Lys-114 to Arg-129, Arg-138 to Ser-143, Ser-154 to Asn-160, Val-224 to Asn-231, Arg-238 to Asp-243, Asp-276 to Asn-291, Lys-324 to Asp-338. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in testes combined with the homology to the human, porcine, and mouse zona pellucida protein Sp 38 indicates that polynucleotides and
10 polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the production of a contraceptive vaccine. Alternatively, the protein may show utility in the diagnosis, treatment, and/or prevention of a variety of reproductive disorders within both the male and female reproductive systems. This gene product is also useful in assays designed to identify binding agents, as such agents (antagonists) are useful as male
15 contraceptive agents. Similarly, the protein is believed to be useful in the treatment and/or diagnosis of testicular cancer. The testes are also a site of active gene expression of transcripts that is expressed, particularly at low levels, in other tissues of the body. Therefore, this gene product is expressed in other specific tissues or organs where it may play related functional roles in other processes, such as
20 hematopoiesis, inflammation, bone formation, and kidney function, to name a few possible target indications. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may
25 show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:73 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of
30 the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or

more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1472 of SEQ ID NO:73, b is an integer of 15 to 1486, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:73, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

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FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 64

When tested against U937 cell lines, supernatants removed from cells containing this gene activated the GAS (gamma activating sequence) promoter element. Thus, it is likely that this gene activates myeloid, and to a lesser extent, other cells and tissue cell types, through the JAK-STAT signal transduction pathway. GAS is a promoter element found upstream of many genes which are involved in the Jak-STAT pathway. The Jak-STAT pathway is a large, signal transduction pathway involved in the differentiation and proliferation of cells. Therefore, activation of the Jak-STAT pathway, reflected by the binding of the GAS element, can be used to indicate proteins involved in the proliferation and differentiation of cells.

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This gene is expressed primarily in an apoptotic T-cell library, and to a lesser extent, in whole embryo.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, immune, hematopoietic, and developmental diseases and/or disorders, particularly disorders related to aberrant cell death regulation. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., immune, hematopoietic, developmental, reproductive, apoptotic cells, and cancerous and healing tissue or cells) or bodily fluids (e.g., serum, lymph, amniotic fluid, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, and/or lymph) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

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Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 193 as residues: Met-1 to Ala-6, Gly-51 to Gly-71. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

5 The tissue distribution in apoptotic T-cells indicates polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of immune system disorders. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the expression of this gene product indicates a role in regulating the proliferation; survival; differentiation; and/or
10 activation of hematopoietic cell lineages, including blood stem cells. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or other processes suggesting a usefulness in the treatment of cancer (e.g. by boosting immune responses). Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also useful as an
15 agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immunodeficiency diseases such as AIDS, leukemia, rheumatoid arthritis, granulomatous disease, inflammatory bowel disease, sepsis, acne, neutropenia, neutrophilia, psoriasis, hypersensitivities, such as T-cell mediated cytotoxicity; immune reactions to transplanted organs and tissues, such as host-versus-graft and graft-versus-host
20 diseases, or autoimmunity disorders, such as autoimmune infertility, lense tissue injury, demyelination, systemic lupus erythematosus, drug induced hemolytic anemia, rheumatoid arthritis, Sjogren's disease, and scleroderma. Moreover, the protein may represent a secreted factor that influences the differentiation or behavior of other blood cells, or that recruits hematopoietic cells to sites of injury. Thus, this gene
25 product is thought to be useful in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. The protein can also be used to gain new insight into the regulation of cellular growth and proliferation. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate
30 ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the

protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:74 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1539 of SEQ ID NO:74, b is an integer of 15 to 1553, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:74, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 65

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with a 50 kDa glycoprotein of the human erythrocyte membrane associated blood-group antigen which is thought to have a transport or channel function in the erythrocyte membrane (See GenBank No. gb|X64594|HSEPMG50; all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated herein by reference). When tested against Jurkat cell lines, supernatants removed from cells containing this gene activated the GAS (gamma activating sequence) promoter element. Thus, it is likely that this gene activates T-cells, and to a lesser extent, other cells and tissue cell types, through the JAK-STAT signal transduction pathway. GAS is a promoter element found upstream of many genes which are involved in the Jak-STAT pathway. The Jak-STAT pathway is a large, signal transduction pathway involved in the differentiation and proliferation of cells. Therefore, activation of the Jak-STAT pathway, reflected by the binding of the GAS element, can be used to indicate proteins involved in the proliferation and differentiation of cells. The translation product of this gene has been determined to contain two transmembrane domains located at amino acid positions 95 - 124, and 1 - 27 of the amino acid sequence referenced in Table 1 for this gene. Therefore, this protein may share structural characteristics to Type IIIa membrane protein. Based on the sequence similarity to the human erythrocyte membrane

associated blood-group antigen, and the structural similarity to type IIIa membrane proteins, The translation product of this gene is expected to share at least some biological activities with such proteins. Such activities are known in the art, some of which are described elsewhere herein.

5 In another embodiment, polypeptides comprising the amino acid sequence of the open reading frame upstream of the predicted signal peptide are contemplated by the present invention. Specifically, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence:

PAKGEGCRRLLHDHPHIWRLWLAHSDPDPLPTQPRAEQGETEFCVPVGPLCH
 10 DWHPLPVDVLAQLQLSHILPWGQPAPSRHQHLLLLGSLRAYLGGNIQCPAKKGKLDMVHIQNATLAGGV
 AVGTAAEMMLMPYGALIIGFVCGIISTLGFVYLTFFLESRLHIQDTCGINNLHGIPGIIGGIVGAVTAA
 SASLEVYGKEGLVHSFDFQGFNGDWTARTQGKFQIYGLLVTLAMALMGGIIVGLILRLPFWGQPSDENC
 FEDAVYWEMPEGNSTVYIPEDPTFKPSGPSVPSVPMVSPLPMASVPLVP (SEQ ID NO: 417).

Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

15 The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome 18. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in linkage analysis for chromosome 18.

This gene is expressed primarily in in tonsils and to a lesser extent in the larynx, kidney medulla, epithelial cells, keratinocytes, and cells involved in
 20 hematopoiesis, especially neutrophils.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, hematopoietic diseases and/or disorders, in addition to, the
 25 proliferation and/or differentiation of integumentary cells. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain
 30 tissues or cell types (e.g., haematopoetic, integumentary, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, lymph) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a

disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 194 as residues: Gly-85 to Lys-94, Gln-125 to Cys-131, Glu-151 to Gly-159. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in tonsils, combined with the homology to a 50 kDa glycoprotein of the human erythrocyte membrane protein indicates polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the treatment and diagnosis of hematopoietic related disorders such as anemia, pancytopenia, leukopenia, thrombocytopenia or leukemia since stromal cells are important in the production of cells of hematopoietic lineages. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include bone marrow cell ex-vivo culture, bone marrow transplantation, bone marrow reconstitution, radiotherapy or chemotherapy of neoplasia. The gene product may also be involved in lymphopoiesis, therefore, it can be used in immune disorders such as infection, inflammation, allergy, immunodeficiency etc. In addition, this gene product may have commercial utility in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:75 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general

formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1636 of SEQ ID NO:75, b is an integer of 15 to 1650, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:75, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

5 FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 66

In another embodiment, polypeptides comprising the amino acid sequence of the open reading frame upstream of the predicted signal peptide are contemplated by the present invention. Specifically, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence:

10 PRVRTRAPVVPAGHRALSPAGVLLAVPAMLSLDFLDDVRRMNKRQVSLS
VLFFSWLFLSLRGCCCGARRTPGFWCEGLSWSDTRVIRFLWRLWPEAALSASLFLTPN (SEQ ID
NO: 418) . Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in hematopoietic tissues, especially helper T-cells and anergic T-cells.

15 Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, tuberculosis, AIDS, and other immune diseases and/or disorders, particularly infections and/or malignancies. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies
20 directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., haematopoeitic, immune, and cancerous, and/or wounded tissues) or
25 bodily fluids (e.g., serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, and/or lymph) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic
30 epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 195 as residues: Asp-9 to Gln-17. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in immune cells and tissues indicates polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of immune system disorders. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the expression of this gene product indicates a role in regulating the proliferation; survival; differentiation; and/or activation of hematopoietic cell lineages, including blood stem cells. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or other processes suggesting a usefulness in the treatment of cancer (e.g. by boosting immune responses). Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also useful as an agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immunodeficiency diseases such as AIDS, leukemia, rheumatoid arthritis, granulomatous disease, inflammatory bowel disease, sepsis, acne, neutropenia, neutrophilia, psoriasis, hypersensitivities, such as T-cell mediated cytotoxicity; immune reactions to transplanted organs and tissues, such as host-versus-graft and graft-versus-host diseases, or autoimmunity disorders, such as autoimmune infertility, lense tissue injury, demyelination, systemic lupus erythematosus, drug induced hemolytic anemia, rheumatoid arthritis, Sjogren's disease, and scleroderma. Moreover, the protein may represent a secreted factor that influences the differentiation or behavior of other blood cells, or that recruits hematopoietic cells to sites of injury. Thus, this gene product is thought to be useful in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:76 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically

excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 2136 of SEQ ID NO:76, b is an integer of 15 to 2150, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:76, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 67

The polypeptide of this gene has been determined to have a transmembrane domain at about amino acid position 15 - 34 of the amino acid sequence referenced in Table 1 for this gene. Moreover, a cytoplasmic tail encompassing amino acids 1 - 14 of this protein has also been determined. Based upon these characteristics, it is believed that the protein product of this gene shares structural features to type II membrane proteins.

This gene is expressed primarily in the fetal liver/spleen, human brain, and retina.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, immune, neurologic, and visual diseases and/or disorders, particularly retinoblastoma as well as other diseases or disorders involving the retina and/or brain. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the neurologic system and in eye development, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., immune, visual, retinal, neural, cancerous, and/or wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., serum, plasma, aqueous humor, vitreous humor, urine, amniotic fluid, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, vitreous and aqueous humors) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 196 as residues: Glu-48 to Thr-54. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

5 The tissue distribution in fetal liver/spleen indicates polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the treatment and diagnosis of hematopoietic related disorders such as anemia, pancytopenia, leukopenia, thrombocytopenia or leukemia since stromal cells are important in the production of cells of hematopoietic lineages. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 10 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include bone marrow cell ex-vivo culture, bone marrow transplantation, bone marrow reconstitution, radiotherapy or chemotherapy of neoplasia. The gene product may also be involved in lymphopoiesis, therefore, it can be used in immune disorders such as infection, inflammation, allergy, immunodeficiency etc. In addition, this gene product may have commercial utility in 15 the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. Alternatively, representative uses are described in the "Regeneration" and "Hyperproliferative Disorders" sections below, in Example 11, 15, and 18, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include, but are not limited to the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of 20 Alzheimer's Disease, Parkinson's Disease, Huntington's Disease, Tourette Syndrome, schizophrenia, mania, dementia, paranoia, obsessive compulsive disorder, panic disorder, learning disabilities, ALS, psychoses, autism, and altered behaviors, including disorders in feeding, sleep patterns, balance, and preception. In addition, the gene or gene product may also play a role in the treatment and/or detection of 25 developmental disorders associated with the developing embryo, sexually-linked disorders, or disorders of the cardiovascular system. Alternatively, expression of this gene with in the retina may suggest gene is useful for the diagnosis, treatment, and/or prevention of a variety of eye disorders and/or conditions. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue 30 markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or

immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies
5 directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:77 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of
10 the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1578 of SEQ ID NO:77, b is an
15 integer of 15 to 1592, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:77, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 68

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with the
20 glutamate-binding subunit of an N-methyl-D-aspartate receptor complex. The amino acids L-glutamic and L-aspartic acids form the most widespread excitatory transmitter network in mammalian brain. The excitation produced by L-glutamic acid is important in the early development of the nervous system, synaptic plasticity and memory formation, seizures and neuronal degeneration. The receptors activated by L-
25 glutamic acid are a target for therapeutic intervention in neurodegenerative diseases, brain ischaemia and epilepsy. As such, the protein product of this gene may also play a role in the regulation of the nitrous oxide synthase gene which is known to be a vital link in various signal transduction pathways within the brain as well as other tissues (See GenBank No. bbs|61979 and Medline Article No.92049755). Moreover, The
30 translation product of this gene was also shown to have homology to a neural membrane protein 35 (See Genbank Accession No. gb|AAC32463.1| (AF044201); all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated herein by

reference; for example, Mol. Cell. Neurosci. 11 (5), 260-273 (1998)). The polypeptide of this gene has been determined to have two transmembrane domains at about amino acid position 42 - 73, and 75 - 94 of the amino acid sequence referenced in Table 1 for this gene. Based upon these characteristics, it is believed that the protein product of this gene shares structural features to IIIa membrane proteins. When tested against U937 and Jurkat cell lines, supernatants removed from cells containing this gene activated the GAS (gamma activating sequence) promoter element. Thus, it is likely that this gene activates myeloid and T-cells, and to a lesser extent, other cells and tissue cell types, through the JAK-STAT signal transduction pathway. GAS is a promoter element found upstream of many genes which are involved in the Jak-STAT pathway. The Jak-STAT pathway is a large, signal transduction pathway involved in the differentiation and proliferation of cells. Therefore, activation of the Jak-STAT pathway, reflected by the binding of the GAS element, can be used to indicate proteins involved in the proliferation and differentiation of cells.

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: HASAWNLLLLTVFTLS (SEQ ID NO: 419), VYAALGAGVFTLFLALDTQLLMGN (SEQ ID NO: 420), EEYIFGALNIYLDIIYIF (SEQ ID NO: 421), and/or WNLILLTVFTLSMAYLTGMLSSYYNT (SEQ ID NO: 422). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

In another embodiment, polypeptides comprising the amino acid sequence of the open reading frame upstream of the predicted signal peptide are contemplated by the present invention. Specifically, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence:

MAYLTGMLSSYYNTTSVLLCLGITALVCLSVTVFSFQTKFDFSTSCQGVLF
VLLMTLFFSGLILAILLPFYVPWLHAVYAALGAGVFTLFLALDTQLLMGNRRHSLSP EEYIFGALNIY
LDIIYIFTFFLQLFGTNRE (SEQ ID NO: 242). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in the brain and to a lesser extent in dendritic cells and in the kidney cortex.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are

not limited to, schizophrenia, epilepsy, brain ischaemia, and neurodegenerative diseases. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells,
5 particularly of the nervous system expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g. neural, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in
10 healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 197 as residues: Ala-12 to Glu-27, Pro-35 to Ser-43, Pro-70 to Gly-79, Ser-92 to Val-98, Pro-166 to Leu-175, Ser-234 to Thr-246. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

15 The tissue distribution combined with the homology to a known N-methyl-D-aspartate receptor indicates polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of neurodegenerative disease states, behavioral disorders, or inflammatory conditions. Representative uses are described in the "Regeneration" and "Hyperproliferative Disorders" sections
20 below, in Example 11, 15, and 18, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include, but are not limited to the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of Alzheimer's Disease, Parkinson's Disease, Huntington's Disease, Tourette Syndrome, meningitis, encephalitis, demyelinating diseases, peripheral neuropathies, neoplasia, trauma, congenital malformations, spinal cord injuries, ischemia and infarction, aneurysms,
25 hemorrhages, schizophrenia, mania, dementia, paranoia, obsessive compulsive disorder, depression, panic disorder, learning disabilities, ALS, psychoses, autism, and altered behaviors, including disorders in feeding, sleep patterns, balance, and perception. In addition, elevated expression of this gene product in regions of the brain indicates it plays a role in normal neural function. Potentially, this gene product
30 is involved in synapse formation, neurotransmission, learning, cognition, homeostasis, or neuronal differentiation or survival. This protein may play a role in the regulation of cellular division, and may show utility in the diagnosis, treatment,

and/or prevention of developmental diseases and disorders. The protein can also be used to gain new insight into the regulation of cellular growth and proliferation. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:78 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1565 of SEQ ID NO:78, b is an integer of 15 to 1579, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:78, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 69

The polypeptide of this gene has been determined to have a transmembrane domain at about amino acid position 37 - 62 of the amino acid sequence referenced in Table 1 for this gene. Based upon these characteristics, it is believed that the protein product of this gene shares structural features to Type Ia membrane proteins. The translation product of this gene was also determined to have a conserved peroxidase-I domain located at about amino acid position 15 - 25 of the amino acid sequence referenced in Table 1 for this gene.

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: TLSLLVSLHTV (SEQ ID NO: 423). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in the brain.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a

biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, neurological diseases and disorders, a non-limiting example of which includes, epilepsy. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential
5 identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the nervous system expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., neural, cancerous, and/or wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an
10 individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in brain tissue indicates polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection, treatment, and/or
15 prevention of neurodegenerative disease states, behavioral disorders, or inflammatory conditions. Representative uses are described in the "Regeneration" and "Hyperproliferative Disorders" sections below, in Example 11, 15, and 18, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include, but are not limited to the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of Alzheimer's Disease, Parkinson's Disease,
20 Huntington's Disease, Tourette Syndrome, meningitis, encephalitis, demyelinating diseases, peripheral neuropathies, neoplasia, trauma, congenital malformations, spinal cord injuries, ischemia and infarction, aneurysms, hemorrhages, schizophrenia, mania, dementia, paranoia, obsessive compulsive disorder, depression, panic disorder, learning disabilities, ALS, psychoses, autism, and altered behaviors, including
25 disorders in feeding, sleep patterns, balance, and perception. In addition, elevated expression of this gene product in regions of the brain indicates it plays a role in normal neural function. Potentially, this gene product is involved in synapse formation, neurotransmission, learning, cognition, homeostasis, or neuronal differentiation or survival. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine
30 biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may

show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:79 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1382 of SEQ ID NO:79, b is an integer of 15 to 1396, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:79, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 70

When tested against Jurkat cell lines, supernatants removed from cells containing this gene activated the GAS (gamma activating sequence) promoter element. Thus, it is likely that this gene activates T-cells, and to a lesser extent, other cells and tissue cell-types, through the JAK-STAT signal transduction pathway. GAS is a promoter element found upstream of many genes which are involved in the Jak-STAT pathway. The Jak-STAT pathway is a large, signal transduction pathway involved in the differentiation and proliferation of cells. Therefore, activation of the Jak-STAT pathway, reflected by the binding of the GAS element, can be used to indicate proteins involved in the proliferation and differentiation of cells. Additional embodiments of the invention include polypeptides comprising the following amino acid sequences:

MSSSGTSDASPSGSPVLASYKPAPPKDKLPETPRRRMKKSLSAPLHPEFEEVYRFGAESRKLLLREPVD
AMPDPTPFLARESAEVHLIKERPLVIPPIASDRSGEQHSPAREKPHKAHVGVVAHRIHHATPPQPARGE
DPGGRPGERRQGGEALRDGQNCVKPAVPHPALSMHCEHHWEISATPFLFNPMHAKHFSHLPTHSPSAS
LALFFTPKYDRVPAAEYVFPNCCGQTPVCRIACF (SEQ ID NO: 424); MSSSGTSDASPSGSPV
LASYKPAPPKDKLPETPRRRMKKSLSAPLHPEFEEVYRFGAESRKLLLREPVDAMPDPTPFLARESAE
(SEQ ID NO: 425); VHLIKERPLVIPPIASDRSGEQHSPAREKPHKAHVGVVAHRIHHATPPQPAR
GEDPGGRPGERR (SEQ ID NO: 426); QGGEALRDGQNCVKPAVPHPALSMHCEHHWEISAT
PFLFNPMHAKHFSHLPTHSPSASLALFFTPKYDRVPAAEYVFPNCCGQTPVCRIACF (SEQ ID NO:

427); KRASQPPCTRNLKRSTDSGQRAGNSFCGNQWMLCPTPPHFCWLGSPPRSTSSKRGPS
 (SEQ ID NO: 428); and PPSPTTEAASSTARPAKSRTPTSGWHIGSTTPRRSQPEVKTLAV
 DQVNGGKVVRKHSGTDRTV (SEQ ID NO: 429). Additional embodiments are directed
 to polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides.

5 The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome
 12. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in
 linkage analysis for chromosome 12.

 This gene is expressed primarily in Endometrial Tumor, fetal liver,
 Hypothalamus, Larynx carcinoma III, Prostate Cancer.

10 Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as
 reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a
 biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are
 not limited to, endometrial tumor, larynx carcinoma III, prostate cancer, in addition to
 other proliferative diseases and/or disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies
 15 directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for
 differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of
 the above tissues or cells, particularly of the reproductive, hepatic, and pulmonary
 systems, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely
 detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., hepatic, developmental, differentiating,
 20 proliferative, and cancerous, and/or other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., serum,
 plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, pulmonary surfactant) or another tissue
 or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the
 standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily
 fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

25 Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic
 epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 199 as residues: Ala-62 to Tyr-71. Polynucleotides
 encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

 The tissue distribution in tumors of endometrium, larynx, and prostate origins,
 combined with the detected GAS biological activity, indicates that polynucleotides
 30 and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for diagnosis and intervention
 of these tumors, in addition to other tumors where expression has been indicated. The
 expression within cellular sources marked by proliferating cells indicates this protein

may play a role in the regulation of cellular division, and may show utility in the diagnosis, treatment, and/or prevention of developmental diseases and disorders, including cancer, and other proliferative conditions. Representative uses are described in the "Hyperproliferative Disorders" and "Regeneration" sections below and
 5 elsewhere herein. Briefly, developmental tissues rely on decisions involving cell differentiation and/or apoptosis in pattern formation. Alternatively, the tissue distribution within liver tissue indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection and treatment of liver disorders and cancers (e.g. hepatoblastoma, jaundice, hepatitis, liver metabolic diseases and
 10 conditions that are attributable to the differentiation of hepatocyte progenitor cells). In addition the expression in fetus would suggest a useful role for the protein product in developmental abnormalities, fetal deficiencies, pre-natal disorders and various wound-healing models and/or tissue trauma. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate
 15 cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly
 20 available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:80 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or
 25 more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1216 of SEQ ID NO:80, b is an integer of 15 to 1230, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:80, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

30 **FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 71**

In another embodiment, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: MWNPAGQPGPNPYFPNIGCPGGSNPAHPPPINPPFPPGPCPPPPGAPHGN

PAFPPGGPPHPVPQPGYPGCQPLGPYPPPYPPAPGIIPVNPLAPGMVGPAVIVDKKMQKKMKKAHKKM
 HKHQKHHKYHKHGKHSSSSSSSSSSSDSD (SEQ ID NO: 430); RVGPDAWADAWEQAQAVERLE
 DTPKHVESQCRAARAKSISPQYWVPWRFQSCPPTY (SEQ ID NO: 431); STLSRPLSSSPR
 SSPWQSSFPPRWAPSSCATARVSRMPTVGSLPSSIPTACPWNPSCESLGSWHGWTSSDSRQEDAEENEE
 5 SS (SEQ ID NO: 432); MPGSQGQIHIPPILGALEVPIPLPTHLLIHPFPQAPVLLPQELPMA
 IQLSPQVGPLILCHSQGIQDANRWVPTLLHTHRLPLESL (SEQ ID NO: 433); and/or
 MASIPPLPPPLPAVILTEYRPWTLPSSLTSSALPSSFRCHVVLGECSPCAPHPLPXPEPHPAVEP
 (SEQ ID NO: 434). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in bone marrow and primary dendritic cells,
 10 in addition to macrophages.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as
 reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a
 biological sample and for diagnosis of immune and haematopoietic diseases and/or
 disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are
 15 useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the
 tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells,
 particularly of the immune, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower
 levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., haematopoietic,
 immune, and cancerous, and/or other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., serum, plasma,
 20 urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, and/or lymph) or another tissue or cell sample
 taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene
 expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an
 individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in bone marrow indicates polynucleotides and
 25 polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the treatment and diagnosis of
 hematopoietic related disorders such as anemia, pancytopenia, leukopenia,
 thrombocytopenia or leukemia since stromal cells are important in the production of
 cells of hematopoietic lineages. Representative uses are described in the "Immune
 Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19,
 30 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include bone marrow cell ex-vivo
 culture, bone marrow transplantation, bone marrow reconstitution, radiotherapy or
 chemotherapy of neoplasia. The gene product may also be involved in lymphopoiesis,
 therefore, it can be used in immune disorders such as infection, inflammation, allergy,

immunodeficiency etc. In addition, this gene product may have commercial utility in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue
 5 markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly
 10 available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:81 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or
 15 more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1125 of SEQ ID NO:81, b is an integer of 15 to 1139, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:81, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

20 **FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 72**

In another embodiment, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence:

PRHTYWGIWLVPAAMASPHSHPAQGVLPQPPGPQPRWEDRVALGTRGRSPGAYLTESAPQQASTTPGPPT
 CHGKVGSEWAWLGAAPGPLPHTPSHYAIRVPSNICSCPGASSAPALRGVVRQPPGPQNPRQGGRRGTRA
 25 SPVGS LFCV (SEQ ID NO: 435); MFAVLPAVEGRATPHQDRTCYPSSRPWPSQPSPRGSM
 PVPRPGAARGQLDGHVQGGQWALQWGGPPAPAVYRRMALPPRAAGSYLDRKCPHPLPGARLCPGLPL
 (SEQ ID NO: 436); VFGAVFLTTPSHDLATPTGASGWCLLPWPAPTTLTLHRGSCSPQAHSLVG
 RTGWPWGQEGGAQGLTSLRVLPSRHPLPQGPPHVMARLVNPGWEQPLAHCPPHTLTMQFEFQATFAP
 ALGPALPQP (SEQ ID NO: 437); HEEPPAGFGLRSLWRRSPHEVGARLPNGAFGFSVRCLLCF
 30 PPWRAEPPHIRIGRATPPGPGPGPASPALEARCLCQGQGQPEGSWMATCRVKAGPCSGAGRQPQQFTDA
 WLFLPEQPAATWTGNVLIPSLGPGSALAFLCEPLLSLCCLGTPDRGVRVCPSVTFYSPRVEERKRGKSK
 GVQTPPQ (SEQ ID NO: 438); MATCRVKAGPCSGAGRQPQQFTDAWLFLPEQPAATWTGNVLIP
 SLGPGSALAFLCEPLLSLCCLGTPDRGVRVCPSVTFYSPRVEERKRGKSKGVQTPPQ (SEQ ID NO:
 439); MKWFSTQPLWLNTKQRSHRRGPGPPAPLSGVLGSRGLPHHPSQGWGRAGPRAGANVAWNSN

CIVRWVGGQWARGCSQPGPFTTNLAMTCGGPWGSGCLLGSTLSEVSPWAPPSCPQGHVLPTRLWAWGL
 QDPLCRVRVGAGHGSRHQPDAPVGVARSWDGVVRNTAPKTQNKNTTNGRRSPPPTEVGFPELLIFPVSF
 LQPLVSRKSQTGTHAHHGQESRDSTKKGGVHRGRPGQSLAPGRG (SEQ ID NO: 440); KVTDGH
 TRTPRSGVPRQHKERRGSQRKARAEPGPREGMRTFPVQVAAGCSGRKSHASVNCWGW RPAPLQGPALTL
 5 HVAIQLPSGCPWPWHRHRASRAGLAGPGPGPGGVARPILMWGGSALHGGKHSKHRTLKPKAPLGSLAPT
 SWGGDRRHRDLSPKPAGGSSC (SEQ ID NO: 441); and/or MRTFPVQVAAGCSGRKSHASV
 NCWGW RPAPLQGPALTLHVAIQLPSGCPWPWHRHRASRAGLAGPGPGPGGVARPILMWGGSALHGGKHS
 KHRTLKPKAPLGSLAPTSWGGDRRHRDLSPKPAGGSSC (SEQ ID NO: 442).

Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

10 The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome
 7. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in
 linkage analysis for chromosome 7.

This gene is expressed primarily in healing wound tissues, macrophage-
 oxLDL, hemangiopericytoma, and CD34+ cells.

15 Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as
 reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a
 biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are
 not limited to, healing wound, and proliferative diseases and/or disorders, particularly
 soft tissue cancers, such as hemangiopericytoma. Similarly, polypeptides and
 20 antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological
 probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of
 disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of healing wounds, expression of
 this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues
 or cell types (e.g., lymph, cancerous, and/or wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g.,
 25 serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, and/or lymph) or another tissue
 or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the
 standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily
 fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic
 30 epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 201 as residues: Met-1 to Gly-6, Arg-23 to Gly-33,
 Arg-60 to Ala-66, Thr-90 to Gly-103, Glu-105 to Trp-112. Polynucleotides encoding
 said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution within healing wounds indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of cancer and other proliferative disorders. Representative uses are described elsewhere herein. Expression within cellular sources marked by proliferating cells indicates that this protein may play a role in the regulation of cellular division. Additionally, the expression in hematopoietic cells and tissues indicates that this protein may play a role in the proliferation, differentiation, and/or survival of hematopoietic cell lineages. In such an event, this gene is useful in the treatment of lymphoproliferative disorders, and in the maintenance and differentiation of various hematopoietic lineages from early hematopoietic stem and committed progenitor cells. Similarly, embryonic development also involves decisions involving cell differentiation and/or apoptosis in pattern formation. Thus this protein may also be involved in apoptosis or tissue differentiation and could again be useful in cancer therapy. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:82 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1395 of SEQ ID NO:82, b is an integer of 15 to 1409, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:82, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

30 FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 73

The translation product of this gene has homology to the Pro-Pol-dUTPase polyprotein of a newly discovered retrovirus. Since this protein also shares homology

to the human HERV-L element, and considering that most retroviruses integrate their proviral form into eukaryotic genomes through a homologous recombination mechanism, this gene is useful in providing protection against retroviral infections or could be used in the development of gene therapy applications (See Genebank
5 Accession No.2065210; all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein).

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: GLMECLIHRHGSH (SEQ ID NO: 443), and/or STKGMQFILTGITLSGY (SEQ ID NO: 444). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

10 This gene is expressed primarily in CD34 positive cells.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, immune diseases and/or disorders, particularly viral infections.

15 Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., immune, and cancerous, wounded,
20 and/or other tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid, and/or lymph) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

25 Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 202 as residues: Arg-39 to Thr-49, Leu-52 to Gly-60, Ser-67 to Arg-76, Gln-130 to Phe-137, Ser-139 to His-148. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

30 The tissue distribution in CD34+ immune cells combined with the homology to a retroviral protein indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of immune system disorders. Expression of this gene product in immune indicates a role in the regulation

of the proliferation; survival; differentiation; and/or activation of potentially all hematopoietic cell lineages, including blood stem cells. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or other processes that may also suggest a usefulness in the treatment of cancer e.g. by boosting immune responses.

Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also used as an agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immune deficiency diseases such as AIDS, and leukemia. In addition, this gene product may have commercial utility in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:83 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 700 of SEQ ID NO:83, b is an integer of 15 to 714, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:83, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 74

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with mouse, bovine, and human butyrophilins, which are thought to be important in lactation especially during the latter part of pregnancy. Butyrophilin is a glycoprotein of the immunoglobulin superfamily that is secreted in association with the milk-fat-globule

membrane from mammary epithelial cells (See Genbank Accession No.gb|AAB51034.1, and Geneseq Accession No. W97814; all references available through these accessions are hereby incorporated herein by reference; for example, Mamm. Genome 7 (12), 900-905 (1996)). Based on the sequence similarity, The
 5 translation product of this gene is expected to share at least some biological activities with glycoproteins. Such activities are known in the art, some of which are described elsewhere herein.

In another embodiment, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: PRVRALLFARSLRLCRWGAKRLGVASTEAQRGVSFKLEEKTAHSSLALFRD
 10 DTGVKYGLVGLEPTKVALNVERFREWAVVLADTAVTSGRHYWEVTVKRSQQFRIGVADVDMRDSCIGV
 DRSWVFTMPSASGTPCWPTRKPQLRVLGSQEVGLLLEYEAQKLSLVDVSQVSVVHTLQTDGRGPVPA
 FALWDGELLTHSGLEVPEGL (SEQ ID NO: 445), and/or MSDSCIGVDDRSWVFTMPSASG
 TPCWPTRKPQLRVLGSQEVGLLLEYEAQKLSLVDVSQVSVVHTLQTDGRGPVPAFALWDGELLTHSGL
 EVPEGL (SEQ ID NO: 446). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also
 15 provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in adult heart, LNCAP cell line, OB cell line (HOS fraction), and epididymis, and to a lesser extent in a variety of other cells and tissues.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as
 20 reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, coronary disease and heart tumors and reproductive disorders, particularly those of the male reproductive system. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological
 25 probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly those of the heart and reproductive system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., cardiovascular, cardiac, reproductive, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., serum, plasma, urine,
 30 seminal fluid, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression

level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 203 as residues: Gly-30 to Ser-36. Polynucleotides
5 encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution and homology to butyrophilin indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for for determining the mechanisms underlying mammary-specific gene expression, lactation, and potentially for the production of copious amounts of butyrophilin or
10 heterologous proteins in the milk of transgenic animals. The secreted protein can also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, and as nutritional supplements. It may also have a very wide range of biological activities. Representative uses are described in the "Chemotaxis" and "Binding
15 Activity" sections below, in Examples 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, and 20, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the protein may possess the following activities: cytokine, cell proliferation/differentiation modulating activity or induction of other cytokines; immunostimulating/immunosuppressant activities (e.g. for treating human immunodeficiency virus infection, cancer, autoimmune diseases and allergy);
20 regulation of hematopoiesis (e.g. for treating anemia or as adjunct to chemotherapy); stimulation or growth of bone, cartilage, tendons, ligaments and/or nerves (e.g. for treating wounds, stimulation of follicle stimulating hormone (for control of fertility); chemotactic and chemokinetic activities (e.g. for treating infections, tumors); hemostatic or thrombolytic activity (e.g. for treating hemophilia, cardiac infarction
25 etc.); anti-inflammatory activity (e.g. for treating septic shock, Crohn's disease); as antimicrobials; for treating psoriasis or other hyperproliferative diseases; for regulation of metabolism, and behavior. Also contemplated is the use of the corresponding nucleic acid in gene therapy procedures. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to
30 isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies

directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:84 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1083 of SEQ ID NO:84, b is an integer of 15 to 1097, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:84, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 75

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with angiopoietin-2 which is thought to be important in regulation of angiogenesis through the Tie2, or other receptor tyrosine kinase (See Genbank Accession Nos. gb|AAC97965.1| (AF110520), and gb|AAB63189.1| (AF004326); in addition to Geneseq Accession No. R94603; all references available through these accessions are hereby incorporated herein by reference; for example, Science 277 (5322), 55-60 (1997)). Based on the sequence similarity, The translation product of this gene is expected to share at least some biological activities with angiogenic and kinase proteins. Such activities are known in the art, some of which are described elsewhere herein.

In another embodiment, polynucleotides of the invention comprise the following nucleic acid sequence:

GCACGAGCGGCACGAGCGGATCCTCACACGACTGTGATCCGATTCTTTCCAGCGGCTTCTGCAACCAAG
CGGGTCTTACCCCGGTCTCCGCGTCTCCAGTCCTCGCACCTGGAACCCCAACGTCCCCGAGAGTCCC
CGAATCCCCGCTCCCAGGCTACCTAAGAGGATGAGCGGTGCTCCGACGGCCGGGGCAGCCCTGATGCTC
TGCGCCGCCACCGCCGTGCTACTGAGCGCTCAGGGCGGACCCGTGCAGTCCAAGTCGCCGCGCTTTGCG
TCCTGGGACGAGATGAATGTCCTGGCGCACGGACTCCTGCAGCTCGGCCAGGGGCTGCGCGAACACGCG
GAGCGCACCCGCAGTCAGCTGAGCGCGCTGGAGCGGCGCTGAGCGCGTGCGGGTCCGCCTGTCAGGGA
ACCGAGGGGTCCACCGACCTCCCGTTAGCCCCTGAGAGCCGGGTGGACCCTGAGGTCCTTCACAGCCTG

CAGACACAACCTCAAGGCTCAGAACAGCAGGATCCAGCAACTCTTCCACAAGGTGGCCCAGCAGCAGCGG
CACCTGGAGAAGCAGCACCTGCGAATTCAGCATCTGCAAAGCCAGTTTGGCCTCCTGGACCACAAGCAC
CTAGACCATGAGGTGGCCAAGCCTGCCCCAAGAAAGAGGCTGCCCCGAGATGGCCCAGCCAGTTGACCCG
GCTCACAATGTCAGCCGCCTGCACCGGCTGCCCAGGGATTGCCAGGAGCTGTTCCAGGTTGGGGAGAGG
5 CAGAGTGGACTATTTGAAATCCAGCCTCAGGGGTCTCCGCCATTTTGGTGAACCTGCAAGATGACCTCA
GATGGAGGCTGGACAGTAATTCAGAGGCGCCACGATGGCTCAGTGGACTTCAACCGGCCCTGGGAAGCC
TACAAGGCGGGGTTTGGGGATCCCCACGGCGAGTTCTGGCTGGGTCTGGAGAAGGTGCATAGCATCACG
GGGGACCGCAACAGCCGCCTGGCCGTGCAGCTGCGGGACTGGGATGGCAACGCCGAGTTGCTGCAGTTC
TCCGTGCACCTGGGTGGCGAGGACACGGCCTATAGCCTGCAGCTCACTGCACCCGTGGCCGGCCAGCTG
10 GCGCCACCACCGTCCCACCCAGCGGCCTCTCCGTACCCTTCTCCACTTGGGACCAGGATCACGACCTC
CGCAGGGACAAGAACTGCGCCAAGAGCCTCTCTGGAGGCTGGTGGTTTGGCACCTGCAGCCATTCCAAC
CTCAACGGCCAGTACTTCCGCTCCATCCCACAGCAGCGGCAGAAGCTTAAGAAGGGAATCTTCTGGAAG
ACCTGGCGGGGCGCTACTACCCGCTGCAGGCCACCACCATGTTGATCCAGCCCATGGCAGCAGAGGCA
GCCTCCTAGCGTCTTGGCTGGGCCTGGTCCCAGGCCCACGAAAGACGGTGACTCTTGGCTCTGCCCCGAG
15 GATGTGGCCGTTCCCTGCCTGGGCAGGGGCTCCAAGGAGGGGGCCATCTGGAACTTGTGGACAGAGAAG
AAGACCACGACTGGAGAAGCCCCCTTCTGAGTGCAGGGGGGCTGCATGCGTTGCCTCCTGAGATCGAG
GCTGCAGGATATGCTCAGACTCTAGAGGCGTGGACCAAGGGGCATGGAGCTTCACTCCTTGCTGGCCAG
GGAGTTGGGGACTCAGAGGGACCCTTGGGGCCAGCCAGACTGGCCTCAATGGCGGACTCAGTCACATT
GACTGACGGGGACCAGGGCTTGTGTGGGTGCGAGAGCGCCCTCATGGTGCTGGTGCTGTTGTGTGTAGGT
20 CCCCTGGGGACACAAGCAGGCGCCAATGGTATCTGGGCGGAGCTCACAGAGTTCTTGGGAATAAAAGCAA
CCTCAGAACAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA (SEQ ID NO: 447),
and/or
ATGAGCGGTGCTCCGACGGCCGGGGCAGCCCTGATGCTCTGCGCCGCCACCGCCGTGCTACTGAGCGCT
CAGGGCGGACCCGTGCAGTCCAAGTCGCCGCGCTTTGCGTCTTGGGACGAGATGAATGTCCTGGCGCAC
25 GGACTCCTGCAGCTCGGCCAGGGGCTGCGCGAACACGCGGAGCGCACCCGCAGTCAGCTGAGCGCGCTG
GAGCGGCGCCTGAGCGCGTGCGGGTCCGCCTGTCAGGGAACCGAGGGGTCCACCGACCTCCCGTTAGCC
CCTGAGAGCCGGGTGGACCCTGAGGTCTTACAGCCTGCAGACACAACCTCAAGGCTCAGAACAGCAGG
ATCCAGCAACTCTTCCACAAGGTGGCCCAGCAGCAGCGGCACCTGGAGAAGCAGCACCTGCGAATTCAG
CATCTGCAAAGCCAGTTTGGCCTCCTGGACCACAAGCACCTAGACCATGAGGTGGCCAAGCCTGCCCCA
30 AGAAAGAGGCTGCCCCGAGATGGCCCAGCCAGTTGACCCGGCTCACAATGTCAGCCGCCTGCACCGGCTG
CCCAGGGATTGCCAGGAGCTGTTCCAGGTTGGGGAGAGGCAGAGTGGACTATTTGAAATCCAGCCTCAG
GGGTCTCCGCCATTTTGGTGAACCTGCAAGATGACCTCAGATGGAGGCTGGACAGTAATTCAGAGGCGC
CACGATGGCTCAGTGGACTTCAACCGGCCCTGGGAAGCCTACAAGGCGGGGTTTGGGGATCCCCACGGC
GAGTTCTGGCTGGGTCTGGAGAAGGTGCATAGCATCACGGGGGACCGCAACAGCCGCCTGGCCGTGCAG
35 CTGCGGGACTGGGATGGCAACGCCGAGTTGCTGCAGTTCTCCGTGCACCTGGGTGGCGAGGACACGGCC
TATAGCCTGCAGCTCACTGCACCCGTGGCCGGCCAGCTGGGCGCCACCACCGTCCCACCCAGCGGCCTC
TCCGTACCCTTCTCCACTTGGGACCAGGATCACGACCTCCGCAGGGACAAGAACTGCGCCAAGAGCCTC
TCTGGAGGCTGGTGGTTTGGCACCTGCAGCCATTCCAACCTCAACGGCCAGTACTTCCGCTCCATCCCA
CAGCAGCGGCAGAAGCTTAAGAAGGGAATCTTCTGGAAGACCTGGCGGGGCGCTACTACCCGCTGCAG
40 GCCACCACCATGTTGATCCAGCCCATGGCAGCAGAGGCAGCCTCCTAG (SEQ ID NO: 448).

A preferred polypeptide fragment of the invention comprises the following amino acid sequence: MAQWTSTGPGKPTRRGLGIPTASSGWVWRRCIASWGTATAAWPCSCGTGMA TPSCCSSPCTWVARTRPIACSSLHPWPASWAPPPSHPAASPYPSPGLTRITTSAGTRTAPRASLEAGGL APAAIPTFNGPVLPA PSHSSGRSLRRESSGRPAGRYYP LQATTMLIQPMAAEAAS (SEQ ID NO:

5 449) . Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome 19. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in linkage analysis for chromosome 19.

This gene is expressed primarily in osseous tissues, kidney cortex, bone
10 marrow, larynx carcinoma, and pineal gland, and to a lesser extent in placenta, stromal cells, epithelioid sarcoma, and a variety of other cells and tissues.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are
15 not limited to, arthritis, kidney and urinary tract disorders, immune cell and system dysfunctions, disorders of the pineal gland and brain, and carcinomas, particularly of the larynx. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells,
20 particularly those of the immune, connective, endocrine, and urinary systems, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene
25 expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 204 as residues: Pro-27 to Arg-34, Glu-60 to Gln-65, Cys-80 to Thr-87, Leu-109 to Ile-116, Ala-124 to Gln-133, Lys-158 to Leu-165, Arg-
30 229 to Ser-234, Asp-236 to Trp-241, Thr-266 to Ser-271, Thr-328 to Lys-343, Ser-355 to Tyr-363, Ile-367 to Lys-376, Thr-382 to Tyr-387. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution and homology to angiopoietin-2 indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the regulation of angiogenesis, particularly since angiogenesis is thought to depend on a precise balance of positive and negative regulation. Angiopoietin-1 (Ang1) is an angiogenic factor that signals through the endothelial cell-specific Tie2 receptor tyrosine kinase and, like vascular endothelial growth factor, is essential for normal vascular development in the mouse. Angiopoietin-2 is a naturally occurring antagonist for Angiopoietin-1 and Tie2. Transgenic overexpression of Angiopoietin-2 disrupts blood vessel formation in the mouse embryo. In adult mice and humans, Angiopoietin-2 is expressed only at sites of vascular remodeling. As such, this gene, or antagonists thereof, are useful in the diagnosis and treatment of arthritis, bone growth and remodeling, cancers (particularly those of bone, connective, lymphatic, and vascular tissues), ischaemia, lymphangiogenesis, lymphadenitis, lymphadenoma, lymphadenosis, lymphangitis, lymphangioendothelioma, lymphangioma, lymphangiophlebitis, lymphangiosarcoma, lymphatitis, lymphedema, lymphenteritis, angioma, angiomegaly, angiomyosarcoma, angiomyoma, angiomyolipoma, angiomyoneuroma, angioneuromyoma, angiosarcoma, angiostenosis, angioelectasis, and as a lymphagogue. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:85 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1917 of SEQ ID NO:85, b is an

integer of 15 to 1931, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:85, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 76

5 The translation product of this gene was shown to have homology to the DPM2 mannosyl transferase gene, which is known to be important in O-linked oligosaccharide glycosylation of proteins. Mutations within this gen have been shown to result in reduced levels of O-glycosylation. Since defects in proper protein glycosylation can result in the development of antigen-specific antibodies to such
10 protein or altered pharmacokinetics (i.e., plasma half-life, in vivo clearance rate, etc.), the protein product of this gene may show utility in the treatment, diagnosis, and/or prevention of various abnormalities involving oligosaccharide metabolism, specifically those associated with O-glycosylation (See Genebank Accession No.R47201).

 Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid
15 sequence: GHDLPQDAWLRWVLGALCAGGWAVNYLPFFL (SEQ ID NO: 450), and/or FLYHYLPALTFQILLPV (SEQ ID NO: 451). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

 The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome
9. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in
20 linkage analysis for chromosome 9.

 This gene is expressed primarily in brain and melanocytes and to a lesser extent in breast, testis, and colon.

 Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a
25 biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, cancers, particularly of the brain and melanocyte, in addition to neurological disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above
30 tissues or cells, particularly of the brain, central nervous system, PNS, epithelial tissues including other parts of the integumentary system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types

(e.g., neural, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g. lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not
5 having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 205 as residues: His-31 to Gln-38, Tyr-65 to Ser-71. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in brain tissue, combined with the homology to a
10 known enzyme involved in oligosaccharide metabolism, indicates polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of neurodegenerative disease states, behavioral disorders, or inflammatory conditions. Representative uses are described in the "Regeneration" and
"Hyperproliferative Disorders" sections below, in Example 11, 15, and 18, and
15 elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include, but are not limited to the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of Alzheimer's Disease, Parkinson's Disease, Huntington's Disease, Tourette Syndrome, meningitis, encephalitis, demyelinating diseases, peripheral neuropathies, neoplasia, trauma, congenital malformations, spinal cord injuries, ischemia and infarction, aneurysms, hemorrhages, schizophrenia,
20 mania, dementia, paranoia, obsessive compulsive disorder, depression, panic disorder, learning disabilities, ALS, psychoses, autism, and altered behaviors, including disorders in feeding, sleep patterns, balance, and perception. In addition, elevated expression of this gene product in regions of the brain indicates it plays a role in normal neural function. Potentially, this gene product is involved in synapse
25 formation, neurotransmission, learning, cognition, homeostasis, or neuronal differentiation or survival. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may
30 show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:86 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically
 5 excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1078 of SEQ ID NO:86, b is an integer of 15 to 1092, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide
 10 residues shown in SEQ ID NO:86, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 77

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: DICRLERAVCRDEPSALARALTWRQARAQAGA (SEQ ID NO: 453), XAPATXAW
 15 DTVVPPLPRKCQCSGSARSHGAGRSALHSPLEGSRPKVPAGAVGKSLPGQSRPQHCLPPKQPKQCRPGL
 ELKEGPLLTPTRASVQLSHPACLYWAPLLWIRDPASV (SEQ ID NO: 454), XAPATXAWDTV
 PPLPRKCQCSGSARSHGAGRSALHSPLEGSRPKVPAGAVGKSL (SEQ ID NO: 455), PGQSRPQ
 HCLPPKQPKQCRPGLLEKEGPLLTPTRASVQLSHPACLYWAPLLWIRDPASV (SEQ ID NO:
 456), and/or MSPLPWPGPLPGGRQGHRLPCCSSGCAGGPTWPHCSSQSWPMXSARHXGLGHC
 20 CPSSP (SEQ ID NO: 452). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

In another embodiment, polypeptides comprising the amino acid sequence of the open reading frame upstream of the predicted signal peptide are contemplated by the present invention. Specifically, polypeptides of the invention comprise the
 25 following amino acid sequence:
 DICRLERAVCRDEPSALARALTWRQARAQAGAMLLFGLCWGPYVATLLL
 SVLAYXQRPPLXPGTLLSLLSLGSASAAVPVAMGLGDQRYTAPWRAAAQRCLQGLWGRASRDSPGPSI
 AYHPSSQSSVDLDLN (SEQ ID NO: 457). Polynucleotides encoding these
 polypeptides are also provided.

30 This gene is expressed primarily in cells of the immune system, including dendritic cells and T cells.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a

biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, diseases and/or disorders affecting the immune system, particularly immunodeficiencies such as AIDS. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential
5 identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., immune, and cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample
10 taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in dendritic and T cells indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis, treatment
15 and/or prevention of a variety of immune system disorders. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Expression of this gene product in tonsils indicates a role in the regulation of the proliferation; survival; differentiation; and/or activation of potentially all hematopoietic cell lineages,
20 including blood stem cells. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or other processes that may also suggest a usefulness in the treatment of cancer e.g., by boosting immune responses.

Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also used as an agent for
25 immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immunodeficiency diseases such as AIDS, leukemia, rheumatoid arthritis, granulomatous disease, inflammatory bowel disease, sepsis, acne, neutropenia, neutrophilia, psoriasis, hypersensitivities, such as T-cell mediated cytotoxicity; immune reactions to transplanted organs and tissues, such as host-versus-graft and graft-versus-host diseases, or autoimmunity disorders,
30 such as autoimmune infertility, lense tissue injury, demyelination, systemic lupus erythematosus, drug induced hemolytic anemia, rheumatoid arthritis, Sjogren's disease, scleroderma and tissues. Moreover, the protein may represent a secreted

factor that influences the differentiation or behavior of other blood cells, or that recruits hematopoietic cells to sites of injury. In addition, this gene product may have commercial utility in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissuemarkers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:87 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 564 of SEQ ID NO:87, b is an integer of 15 to 578, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:87, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 78

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: MERVGMESGEMVCGLGSACNNPSDLGQVPVPLWXSVPVFGXGWNGH (SEQ ID NO: 458), MRSFQDVSALEEWRRGGKDLEPTHSLLLLLPLRDLLVVLGEIRKRQMEGCVWKGWGNPEK WFAVLALPVTTRVTLGKSLSLSGXQFLHLYLERVGMGTEVLSSDDL (SEQ ID NO: 459), MHPAGPTFMGSKPIREQQFGPDACLLLLCVAMAGTEASRAAQQCTSQKVRAGQDFSAHSNPXQIQVEKL XPREGQGLAQGHSGCYRQSQDRKPFLRIPSPFPYTTLHLPFPDFAKNH (SEQ ID NO: 460), MHPAGPTFMGSKP IREQQFGPDACLLLLCVAMAGTEASRAAQQCTSQKVRAGQDFSAHSNP (SEQ ID NO: 461), PREGQGLAQGHSGCYRQSQDRKPFLRIPSPFPYTTLHLPFPDFAKNH (SEQ ID NO: 462), DPRVRKPPTATLTTRPTTD (SEQ ID NO: 463), and/or AALEASVPAIATQRSSRQASGPNCCSLMGLDPMKVGPA GCISWDSVEADQVAGASGGRIEVKGC GMENL XRLHLGSGKGQXX (SEQ ID NO: 464). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in prostate and gall bladder.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, disorders affecting the reproductive and gastrointestinal systems, including cancer. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the reproductive and urogenital systems, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., reproductive, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, bile, seminal fluid, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 207 as residues: Arg-21 to Glu-30. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in gall bladder indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis, prevention, and/or treatment of various metabolic disorders such as Tay-Sachs disease, phenylketonuria, galactosemia, porphyrias, and Hurler's syndrome. In addition, expression of this gene product in the prostate - while likely to be reflective of non-specific expression of a variety of genes in the testes - may nevertheless be indicative of a role for this gene product in normal prostate function, and may implicate this gene product in male fertility, and could even suggest its use as a male contraceptive. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:88 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 685 of SEQ ID NO:88, b is an integer of 15 to 699, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:88, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 79

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: GXANPEDSVCILEGFSVTALSILQHLVCHSGAVRLPITVRSGGRFCCWGRKQEPGSQ XSDGD (SEQ ID NO: 466), AVQQQHRVPQTAHCPPLLVGWGPSPPHCQPLSVQHHRERSDHL HITLAVGASDWGQGALAHQA (SEQ ID NO: 467), PKTLPVISCPGSSVCSKCCQSASAQRHPC LACCWLLSSSPCWRTTTSWHLSSVPTQKAASCCCTCTSHHGLTEWPWRHNGSSWNKRWCGSWLSLVCK SPLPPVTGSNCQCNEVVRLTVMHLRQWLTVRRAGGPRTDQQRRTVRCLRDTVLLHGLSQKDKLFM MHCVEVLHQFDQVMPGVSMILIRGLPDVTDCEEALDDLCAAETDVEDPEVECG (SEQ ID NO: 468), and/or MLHRQWLTVRRAGGPRTDQQRRTVRCLRDTVLLHGLSQKDKLFMMHCVEVL HQFDQVMPGVSMILIRGLPDVTDCEEALDDLCAAETDVEDPEVECG (SEQ ID NO: 465). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

In another embodiment, polypeptides comprising the amino acid sequence of the open reading frame upstream of the predicted signal peptide are contemplated by the present invention. Specifically, polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence:

GXANPEDSVCILEGFSVTALSILQHLVCHSGAVRLPITVRSGGRFCCWGRK QEPGSQXSDGDMTSALRGVADDQGHPLLKMLLHLLAFSSAATGHLQASVLTQCLKVLVKLAENTSCDF LPRFQCVFQVLPKCLSPETPLPSVLLAVELLSLLADHDQLAPQLCSHSEGCLLLLLLYMYITSRPDRVAL ETQWLQLEQEVVWLLAKLGVQ EPLAPSHWLQLPV (SEQ ID NO: 469). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome 3. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in linkage analysis for chromosome 3.

This gene is expressed primarily in breast, prostate, and to a lesser extent in testes.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, disorders affecting the reproductive organs of both males and females, especially cancers. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the reproductive system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., reproductive, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, amniotic fluid, seminal fluid, breast milk, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution primarily in breast, prostate, and to a lesser extent in testes indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of disorders affecting the reproductive organs of males and females, including but not limited to cancers. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:89 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general

formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1112 of SEQ ID NO:89, b is an integer of 15 to 1126, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:89, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

5 FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 80

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with epsilon-COP which is part of coatomers which are thought to be important in maintaining Golgi structure and in mediating ER-through- Golgi transport, and which can influence normal endocytic recycling of LDL receptors (See Genbank Accession No. gi|2443869 (AC002985); all references available through this accession are hereby
10 incorporated by reference herein).

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: MSGQLDARPAALHPQGLAHPLWTCLLPKGPSEVPQRPPQLWVVSISVLQGQHRGR AGPRDEQSVDVTNTTFLMAASIYLHDQNPDAALRALHQGDSLEW (SEQ ID NO: 470),
15 SVDVTNTTFLMAASIYLHD (SEQ ID NO: 471), QNPDAALRALHQGDSLE (SEQ ID NO: 472), and/or RDSIVAELDREMSR (SEQ ID NO: 473). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

A preferred polypeptide fragment of the invention comprises the following amino acid sequence: MLGLLLLCTPRAWLTLSGPVCFQGRDPLRSHRGHPSCGS (SEQ ID
20 NO: 474). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in breast tissue.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are
25 not limited to, disorders affecting the immune and reproductive systems, particularly of the mammary glands. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune and reproductive systems, expression of
30 this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., reproductive, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., breast milk, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or

cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic
5 epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 209 as residues: Gly-24 to Gln-36, Gly-47 to His-66. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in breast tissue and homology to epsilon-COP indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of disorders affecting the immune and reproductive systems,
10 including cancers, which arise from abnormalities in coatmer function, particularly of those tissues actively involved in secretory functions. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies
15 directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:90 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of
20 the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1023 of SEQ ID NO:90, b is an
25 integer of 15 to 1037, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:90, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 81

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with the highly
30 conserved epoxide hydrolase which is thought to have an important function in the catalysis of potentially toxic or carcinogenic epoxides into their corresponding, inert

diols (See e.g., Genbank Accession No. gi|485136; all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein).

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: HGFPEFWYSWR (SEQ ID NO: 475), ASHWLQQDQP (SEQ ID NO: 476),
 5 PINHYRNIF (SEQ ID NO: 477), YPEMVMKLI (SEQ ID NO: 478),
 PEFWYSWRYQLREF (SEQ ID NO: 479), HDWGGMIAW (SEQ ID NO: 480).
 Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in benign and malignant prostate tissue.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as
 10 reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, disorders of the prostate and liver, particularly cancers. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For
 15 a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the reproductive system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., hepatic, prostate, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, seminal fluid, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an
 20 individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 210 as residues: Gln-38 to Pro-49, Glu-104 to Tyr-
 25 109, His-127 to Lys-132, Thr-236 to Cys-243, Gln-328 to Asp-333, Lys-344 to Asp-351. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in tumors of prostate origins indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for diagnosis and intervention of these tumors, in addition to other tumors where expression has
 30 been indicated. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional

supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues. Alternatively, homology to epoxide hydrolase indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection and treatment of liver disorders and cancers (e.g., hepatoblastoma, jaundice, hepatitis, liver metabolic diseases and conditions that are attributable to the differentiation of hepatocyte progenitor cells). In addition the expression in fetus would suggest a useful role for the protein product in developmental abnormalities, fetal deficiencies, pre-natal disorders and various wound-healing models and/or tissue trauma.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:91 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1302 of SEQ ID NO:91, b is an integer of 15 to 1316, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:91, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 82

This gene is expressed primarily in merkel cells.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, disorders of the immune system. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g. immune, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g. lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample

taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic
5 epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 211 as residues: Lys-23 to Lys-29. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of immune system disorders. Expression of this gene product in immune tissue indicates
10 a role in the regulation of the proliferation; survival; differentiation; and/or activation of potentially all hematopoietic cell lineages, including blood stem cells. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or other processes that may also suggest a usefulness in the treatment of cancer e.g. by boosting immune responses.

15 Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also used as an agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immune deficiency diseases such as AIDS, and leukemia. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed
20 tumors and tissues. In addition, this gene product may have commercial utility in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tumors and tissues.

25 Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:92 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is
30 cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1007 of SEQ ID NO:92, b is an

integer of 15 to 1021, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:92, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 83

5 This gene is expressed primarily in liver tissue, particularly hepatomas.

 Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, disorders of the liver, including cancers. Similarly, polypeptides and
10 antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the hepatic and hematopoietic systems, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., hepatic, cancerous and wounded tissues)
15 or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, bile, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

 Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic
20 epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 212 as residues: Met-1 to Ser-7, His-66 to Phe-72. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

 The tissue distribution in liver indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection and treatment of liver disorders and cancers (e.g., hepatoblastoma, jaundice, hepatitis, liver metabolic diseases and
25 conditions that are attributable to the differentiation of hepatocyte progenitor cells). In addition the expression in fetus would suggest a useful role for the protein product in developmental abnormalities, fetal deficiencies, pre-natal disorders and various would-healing models and/or tissue trauma. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate
30 cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed

against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:93 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1246 of SEQ ID NO:93, b is an integer of 15 to 1260, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:93, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 84

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: GSLPPKPIYLVVPR (SEQ ID NO: 481). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in skin.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, disorders affecting the skin, such as melanoma and wound healing, in addition to other disorders affecting the integumentary system. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system and skin, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., epithelial, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 213 as residues: Cys-56 to Pro-73, Pro-83 to Lys-92. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in skin and skin melanoma indicates that

5 polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for diagnosis and intervention of various skin disorders including skin tumors, in addition to other tumors where expression has been indicated. Representative uses are described in the "Biological Activity", "Hyperproliferative Disorders", "Infectious Disease", and "Regeneration" sections below, in Example 11, 19, and 20, and elsewhere herein.

10 Briefly, the protein is useful in detecting, treating, and/or preventing congenital disorders (i.e. nevi, moles, freckles, Mongolian spots, hemangiomas, port-wine syndrome), integumentary tumors (i.e. keratoses, Bowen's disease, basal cell carcinoma, squamous cell carcinoma, malignant melanoma, Paget's disease, mycosis fungoides, and Kaposi's sarcoma), injuries and inflammation of the skin (i.e. wounds,

15 rashes, prickly heat disorder, psoriasis, dermatitis), atherosclerosis, uticaria, eczema, photosensitivity, autoimmune disorders (i.e., lupus erythematosus, vitiligo, dermatomyositis, morphea, scleroderma, pemphigoid, and pemphigus), keloids, striae, erythema, petechiae, purpura, and xanthelasma. In addition, such disorders may predispose increased susceptibility to viral and bacterial infections of the skin (i.e.,

20 cold sores, warts, chickenpox, molluscum contagiosum, herpes zoster, boils, cellulitis, erysipelas, impetigo, tinea, athlete's foot, and ringworm). Moreover, the protein product of this gene may also be useful for the treatment or diagnosis of various connective tissue disorders (i.e., arthritis, trauma, tendonitis, chondromalacia and inflammation, etc.), autoimmune disorders (i.e., rheumatoid arthritis, lupus,

25 scleroderma, dermatomyositis, etc.), dwarfism, spinal deformation, joint abnormalities, and chondrodysplasias (i.e. spondyloepiphyseal dysplasia congenita, familial osteoarthritis, Atelosteogenesis type II, metaphyseal chondrodysplasia type Schmid). Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify

30 agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:94 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically
5 excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 976 of SEQ ID NO:94, b is an integer of 15 to 990, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide
10 residues shown in SEQ ID NO:94, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 85

When tested against kidney K562 cell lines, supernatants removed from cells containing this gene activated the interferon-sensitive responsive element (ISRE)
15 pathway. Thus, it is likely that this gene activates kidney or endothelial cells through the ISRE signal transduction pathway. ISRE is a promoter element found upstream in many genes which are involved in the Jaks-STAT pathway. The Jaks-STAT pathway is a large, signal transduction pathway involved in the differentiation and proliferation of cells. Therefore, activation of the Jaks-STATs pathway, reflected by the binding of
20 the ISRE element, can be used to indicate proteins involved in the proliferation and differentiation of cells. This gene maps to chromosome 10, and therefore, is used as a marker in linkage analysis for chromosome 10.

This gene is expressed primarily in placenta, and to a lesser extent in many other tissues or cells.

25 Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, vascular disease including occlusion of vessels and arteries. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing
30 immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the vascular system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in

certain tissues or cell types (e.g., reproductive, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, amniotic fluid, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in
5 healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 214 as residues: His-58 to Gly-68, Thr-76 to Arg-81. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in placenta combined with the biological activity data
10 indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of cancer and other proliferative disorders. Expression within highly vascularized tissue and other cellular sources marked by proliferating cells indicates that this protein may play a role in the regulation of cellular division. Additionally, the expression in placenta indicates that this protein may play a role in
15 the proliferation, differentiation, and/or survival of hematopoietic cell lineages. In such an event, this gene is useful in the treatment of lymphoproliferative disorders, and in the maintenance and differentiation of various hematopoietic lineages from early hematopoietic stem and committed progenitor cells. Similarly, embryonic development also involves decisions involving cell differentiation and/or apoptosis in
20 pattern formation. Thus this protein may also be involved in apoptosis or tissue differentiation and could again be useful in cancer therapy. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as,
25 antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:95 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of
30 the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or

more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1696 of SEQ ID NO:95, b is an integer of 15 to 1710, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:95, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

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FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 86

This gene is Apolipoprotein M (See, e.g., Genbank Accession No. gb|AAD18084.1|(AF129756) and gb|AAD11443.1|(AF118393); all references available through these accessions are hereby incorporated by reference herein). The protein components of human lipoproteins, apolipoproteins, allow the redistribution of cholesterol from the arterial wall to other tissues and exert beneficial effects on systems involved in the development of arterial lesions, like inflammation and hemostasis.

The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome 6. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in linkage analysis for chromosome 6.

This gene is expressed primarily in fetal liver, fetal spleen, and to a lesser extent in adult liver, hepatocellular tumors, retina and testis.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, proliferative disorders of the blood and tumors of the liver or disorders of lipid metabolism. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune, metabolic, and hepatic systems, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., liver, hematopoietic, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., bile, lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 215 as residues: Glu-106 to Lys-120, Glu-136 to Tyr-141, Asn-148 to Pro-154. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

5 The tissue distribution of the gene product, ApoM, in fetal liver, and adult liver indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of lipid metabolism disorders, including but not limited to, vascular disease, such as coronary artery disease, arteriosclerosis, and/or atherosclerosis. Additionally, The tissue distribution in fetal
10 liver and spleen indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of immune system disorders. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the expression of this gene product in fetal tissues indicates a role in
15 regulating the proliferation; survival; differentiation; and/or activation of potentially all hematopoietic cell lineages, including blood stem cells. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or other processes that may also suggest a usefulness in the treatment of cancer e.g., by boosting immune responses.

20 Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also used as an agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immune deficiency diseases such as AIDS, and leukemia. In addition, this gene product may have commercial utility in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and
25 in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or
30 immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues. Alternatively, expression within liver tissues indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection and treatment of liver disorders and cancers (e.g.

hepatoblastoma, jaundice, hepatitis, liver metabolic diseases and conditions that are attributable to the differentiation of hepatocyte progenitor cells). In addition the expression in fetus would suggest a useful role for the protein product in developmental abnormalities, fetal deficiencies, pre-natal disorders and various would-healing models and/or tissue trauma.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:96 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 767 of SEQ ID NO:96, b is an integer of 15 to 781, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:96, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 87

This gene is expressed primarily in LPS treated neutrophils.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, chronic or acute inflammatory disease, and hematopoietic disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., hematopoietic, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in neutrophils indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the treatment and diagnosis of hematopoietic related disorders such as anemia, pancytopenia, leukopenia, thrombocytopenia or leukemia since stromal cells are important in the production of cells of hematopoietic lineages. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include bone marrow cell ex-vivo culture, bone marrow transplantation, bone marrow reconstitution, radiotherapy or chemotherapy of neoplasia. The gene product may also be involved in lymphopoiesis, therefore, it can be used in immune disorders such as infection, inflammation, allergy, immunodeficiency, etc. In addition, this gene product may have commercial utility in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:97 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1099 of SEQ ID NO:97, b is an integer of 15 to 1113, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:97, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

30 **FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 88**

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with prolylcarboxypeptidase which is thought to be important in the processing of

bioactive peptides like angiotensin and bradykinin (See Genbank Accession No. gb|AAA99891.1|; all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein).

Preferred polypeptides comprise the following amino acid sequence:

- 5 LVFAEHRYYGKSLPFG (SEQ ID NO: 482), EQALADFAEL (SEQ ID NO: 483),
 GGSYGGMLSAYLRMKYPH (SEQ ID NO: 484), NIIFSNGNLDPWAGGG (SEQ ID NO:
 485), AMMDYPYPTDFLGPLPANPVKV (SEQ ID NO: 486), and/or FYTGNEGD (SEQ
 ID NO: 487). Also preferred are the polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides.
 An additional preferred polypeptide fragment of the invention comprises the
 10 following amino acid sequence:
 MGSAPWAPVLLLALGLRGLQAGARSGPRLPGALLPAASGPLQLRALRQQDL
 PSALPGVGQVLGPGRGAHLLLHWERGRRVGLRQQGLRRGLAAERGALLVFAEHRYYGKSLPFGAQSTQ
 RGHTELLTVEQALADFAELLRALRRDLGAQDAPAIAGGSYGGMLSAYLRMKYPHVLVAGALAASAPVLS
 VAGLGDSNQFFRDVTADFEGQSPKCTQGVREAFRQIKDLFLQAYDTRWEFGTCQPLSDEKDLTQLFM
 15 FARNAFTVLAMMDYPYPTDFLGPLPANPVKVGCDRLLSEAQRITGLRALAGLVYNASGSEHCYDIYRLY
 HSCADPTGCGTGPDARAWDYQACTEINLTFASNNVTDMPDLPTDELQRQRYCLDTWGVWPRPDWLLTS
 FWGGDLRAASNIIIFSNGNLDPWAGGGIRRNLSASVIAVTIQGGAHHLDRASHPEDPASVVEARKLEAT
 IIGEWVKAARREQQPALRGGPRLSL (SEQ ID NO: 488). Polynucleotides encoding these
 polypeptides are also provided.

- 20 This gene is expressed primarily in uterine cancer, testis, and to a lesser extent
 in lymph nodes, dendritic cells and HL60 cell line.

- Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as
 reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a
 biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are
 25 not limited to, uterine cancer, reproductive, and immune disorders. Similarly,
 polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing
 immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For
 a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the reproductive
 system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely
 30 detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., reproductive, cancerous and wounded
 tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., amniotic fluid, seminal fluid, lymph, serum, plasma,
 urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an
 individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e.,

the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 217 as residues: Gly-23 to Ala-30, Pro-44 to Phe-54,
5 Glu-69 to Pro-77, Gln-142 to His-148, Phe-232 to Gly-242, Pro-271 to Leu-278, Ser-340 to Asp-347, Pro-365 to Asp-371, Asp-398 to Leu-406, Arg-500 to Pro-505. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in uterine cancer and homology to prolylcarboxypeptidase indicates that the protein product of this gene would be useful
10 for diagnosis, treatment and prevention of diseases associated with the reproductive system including uterine cancer, as well as, cardiovascular diseases where prolylcarboxypeptidases primary substrate, angiotension, has its greatest effect. In addition, the putative location of prolylcarboxypeptidase within the lysosomal compartment of cells indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding
15 to this gene are useful for the diagnosis, prevention, and/or treatment of various metabolic disorders such as Tay-Sachs disease, phenylketonuria, galactosemia, porphyrias, and Hurler's syndrome. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to
20 its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are
25 related to SEQ ID NO:98 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general
30 formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1709 of SEQ ID NO:98, b is an integer of 15 to 1723, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:98, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 89

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with the human CGI-06 protein (See, e.g. Genbank Accession No.

5 gb|AAD27715.1|AF132940_1 (AF132940); all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein). When tested against the myeloid cell line, U937, supernatants removed from cells containing this gene activated the GAS (gamma activation site) pathway. Thus, it is likely that this gene activates myeloid cells through the Jaks-STAT signal transduction pathway. The GAS
10 (gamma activation site) is a promoter element found upstream in many genes which are involved in the Jaks-STAT pathway. The Jaks-STAT pathway is a large, signal transduction pathway involved in the differentiation and proliferation of cells. Therefore, activation of the Jaks-STATs pathway, reflected by the binding of the GAS element, can be used to indicate proteins involved in the proliferation and
15 differentiation of cells.

The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome 20. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in linkage analysis for chromosome 20.

This gene is expressed primarily in various tumors including endometrial
20 tumors, adenocarcinoma, breast cancer, osteosarcoma, chondrosarcoma, uterine and pancreas tumors and to a lesser extent in embryonic tissues.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are
25 not limited to, identification and treatment of many types of solid tumors. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the major organs, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in
30 certain tissues or cell types (e.g., skeletal, reproductive, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., breast milk, lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such

a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 218 as residues: Pro-25 to Arg-31, Thr-52 to Val-63,
5 Asn-129 to Lys-135, Gln-197 to Trp-202, Thr-230 to Glu-236, Pro-242 to Tyr-248, Leu-280 to Pro-291, Ser-348 to Ser-356, Pro-362 to Gln-368, Thr-398 to His-406, Trp-430 to Leu-435, Glu-499 to Gly-504. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

The tissue distribution in solid tumors combined with the GAS-element
10 activity indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of cancer and other proliferative disorders. Expression within embryonic tissue and other cellular sources marked by proliferating cells indicates that this protein may play a role in the regulation of cellular division. Representative uses are described in the "Hyperproliferative Disorders" and
15 "Regeneration" sections below and elsewhere herein. Briefly, developmental tissues rely on decisions involving cell differentiation and/or apoptosis in pattern formation. Dysregulation of apoptosis can result in inappropriate suppression of cell death, as occurs in the development of some cancers, or in failure to control the extent of cell death, as is believed to occur in acquired immunodeficiency and certain
20 neurodegenerative disorders, such as spinal muscular atrophy (SMA). Because of potential roles in proliferation and differentiation, this gene product may have applications in the adult for tissue regeneration and the treatment of cancers. It may also act as a morphogen to control cell and tissue type specification. Therefore, the polynucleotides and polypeptides of the present invention are useful in treating,
25 detecting, and/or preventing said disorders and conditions, in addition to other types of degenerative conditions. Thus this protein may modulate apoptosis or tissue differentiation and is useful in the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of degenerative or proliferative conditions and diseases.

The protein is useful in modulating the immune response to aberrant
30 polypeptides, as may exist in proliferating and cancerous cells and tissues. The protein can also be used to gain new insight into the regulation of cellular growth and proliferation. Additionally, the expression in hematopoietic cells and tissues indicates

that this protein may play a role in the proliferation, differentiation, and/or survival of hematopoietic cell lineages. In such an event, this gene is useful in the treatment of lymphoproliferative disorders, and in the maintenance and differentiation of various hematopoietic lineages from early hematopoietic stem and committed progenitor cells. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:99 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 2073 of SEQ ID NO:99, b is an integer of 15 to 2087, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:99, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 90

This gene is expressed primarily in brain medulloblastoma cells.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of brain medulloblastoma and other neurological disorders. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the central nervous system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., neural, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an

individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in medulloblastoma indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of neurodegenerative disease states, behavioral disorders, or inflammatory conditions Representative uses are described in the "Regeneration" and "Hyperproliferative Disorders" sections below, in Example 11, 15, and 18, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the uses include, but are not limited to the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of Alzheimer's Disease, Parkinson's Disease, Huntington's Disease, Tourette Syndrome, schizophrenia, mania, dementia, paranoia, obsessive compulsive disorder, panic disorder, learning disabilities, ALS, psychoses, autism, and altered behaviors, including disorders in feeding, sleep patterns, balance, and preception. In addition, the gene or gene product may also play a role in the treatment and/or detection of developmental disorders associated with the developing embryo or disorders of the cardiovascular system. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tumors and tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:100 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 737 of SEQ ID NO:100, b is an integer of 15 to 751, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:100, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

30 FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 91

This gene maps to the chromosome X, and therefore, is used as a marker in linkage analysis for chromosome X.

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: CSVFPPSLWFWLPLVFDDGDVQ (SEQ ID NO: 489), GVSLPLLGDASQLGYLGV RDALEEALCLFSDVQLCAGRTSALFKAXRQGRLSLQRILLPFVWLC PAPQRWSLQRQAGLLELRWAPPS SSFLAALFTPSSLGNGGRPSPSLTAXLQFDLRLLC (SEQ ID NO: 490), and/or VCRGFCC
 5 LLFGCALPPRGGVYRGRQASLNCGGLHRVRVSWPLCLPPQASAMVGA PPPASLPXC SLISDCCASN
 (SEQ ID NO: 491). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in spleen from chronic lymphocytic leukemia patients.

10 Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, chronic lymphocytic leukemia, and other immune disorders, particularly proliferative diseases. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to
 15 these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., immune, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum,
 20 plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in spleen from chronic lymphocytic leukemia patients
 25 indicates that polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of immune system disorders.

Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the expression of this gene product in leukemia cells indicates a role in the
 30 regulation of the proliferation; survival; differentiation; and/or activation of potentially all hematopoietic cell lineages, including blood stem cells. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or

other processes that may also suggest a usefulness in the treatment of cancer e.g., by boosting immune responses.

Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also used as an agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immune deficiency diseases such as AIDS, and leukemia. In addition, this gene product may have commercial utility in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:101 and may have been publicly available prior to conception of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1209 of SEQ ID NO:101, b is an integer of 15 to 1223, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:101, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

25 FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 92

The translation product of this gene was shown to have homology to the human reverse transcriptase gene (See e.g., Genbank Accession No. gi|439877; all references available through this accession are hereby incorporated by reference herein).

30 Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid sequence: MSHKHMRRSATSYYIRERQIKIIVRYHYTPIMTT (SEQ ID NO: 492), IRERQIKIIVRYHYTP (SEQ ID NO: 493), KKTCTMFIATLFT (SEQ ID NO: 494), SVASVFIP

LKVSVTKQFIFFXFFFFLRRSLAPAWVAERXTSQETKQNKKTPQLRGKVAHACDPITLGGRWEVGESL
EARSPTS (SEQ ID NO: 496) and/or EKIFAKHLSVKGL (SEQ ID NO: 495).

Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

This gene is expressed primarily in microvascular endothelial cells.

5 Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, various diseases of the cardiovascular and circulatory systems. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in
10 providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the cardiovascular system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., vascular, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid
15 and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in microvascular endothelial cells combined with the homology to the conserved human gene for reverse transcriptase indicates that
20 polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of cancer and other proliferative disorders, particularly vascular disorders. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Alternatively expression within microvascular tissue, a tissue
25 marked by proliferating cells, indicates that this protein may play a role in the regulation of cellular division. As such, this protein may play a role in the proliferation, differentiation, and/or survival of hematopoietic cell lineages. In such an event, this gene is useful in the treatment of lymphoproliferative disorders, and in the maintenance and differentiation of various hematopoietic lineages from early
30 hematopoietic stem and committed progenitor cells. Similarly, embryonic development also involves decisions involving cell differentiation and/or apoptosis in pattern formation. Thus this protein may also be involved in apoptosis or tissue

differentiation and could again be useful in cancer therapy. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional supplement. Protein, as well as,
 5 antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:102 and may have been publicly available prior to conception
 10 of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 996 of SEQ ID NO:102, b is an
 15 integer of 15 to 1010, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:102, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 93

The translation product of this gene shares sequence homology with the
 20 Y43F4B.5 protein from *Caenorhabditis elegans* (See Genebank Accession No. gnl|PID|e1247424 (AL021481)). Moreover, the translation product also shares homology to phosphoglucomutase proteins (See Genbank Accession No. emb|CAA16334.1| (AL021481)). Based on the sequence similarity, The translation product of this gene is expected to share at least some biological activities with
 25 phosphoglucomutase proteins. Such activities are known in the art, some of which are described elsewhere herein.

Preferred polypeptides of the invention comprise the following amino acid
 sequence: ARGKTVLFAFEEAIGYMCCPFVLDKDGVSAAVISAELASFLATKNLSLSQQLKAIYVEYG
 YHITKASYFICHQETIKKLFENLRNYDGKNNYPKACGKFEISAIRDLTTGYDDSQPDKKAVLPTSKSS
 30 QMITFTFANGGVATMRTSGTEPKIKYYAELCAPPGNSDPEQLKKELNELVSAIEEHFFQPQKYNLQPKA
 D (SEQ ID NO: 498), YMCCPFVLDKDGVSAAVISAELASFLATKNLSLSQQLKAIYVEYGYHIT
 KASYFICHQETIKKLFENLRNYDGKNNYPKACGKFEISAIRDLTTGYDDSQPDKKAVLPTSKSSQMIT
 FTFANGGVATMRTSGTEPKIKYYAELCAPPGNSDPEQLKKELNELVSAIEEHFFQPQKYNLQPKAD

(SEQ ID NO:497), DKDGVSAAVISAE LASFL (SEQ ID NO: 499), RDLTTGYDDSQPD (SEQ ID NO: 500), KAVLPTSKSSQMITF (SEQ ID NO: 501), and/or TMRTSGTEPKIKYYAEL (SEQ ID NO: 502). Polynucleotides encoding these polypeptides are also provided.

5 The gene encoding the disclosed cDNA is believed to reside on chromosome 4. Accordingly, polynucleotides related to this invention are useful as a marker in linkage analysis for chromosome 4.

 This gene is expressed primarily in placenta, fetal spleen, and to a lesser extent in prostate, T-cells and neutrophils.

10 Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, various diseases of the immune and reproductive systems, including cancer. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are
15 useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune and reproductive systems, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., immune, reproductive, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g.,
20 seminal fluid, lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

 Preferred polypeptides of the present invention comprise immunogenic
25 epitopes shown in SEQ ID NO: 222 as residues: Leu-23 to Met-30. Polynucleotides encoding said polypeptides are also provided.

 The tissue distribution in fetal spleen indicates polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of immune system disorders. Representative uses are described in the
30 "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the expression of this gene product indicates a role in regulating the proliferation; survival; differentiation; and/or

activation of hematopoietic cell lineages, including blood stem cells. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or other processes suggesting a usefulness in the treatment of cancer (e.g., by boosting immune responses). Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the

5 natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also useful as an agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immunodeficiency diseases such as AIDS, leukemia, rheumatoid arthritis, granulomatous disease, inflammatory bowel disease, sepsis, acne, neutropenia, neutrophilia, psoriasis, hypersensitivities, such as T-cell mediated cytotoxicity; immune reactions to

10 transplanted organs and tissues, such as host-versus-graft and graft-versus-host diseases, or autoimmunity disorders, such as autoimmune infertility, lense tissue injury, demyelination, systemic lupus erythematosus, drug induced hemolytic anemia, rheumatoid arthritis, Sjogren's disease, and scleroderma. Moreover, the protein may represent a secreted factor that influences the differentiation or behavior of other

15 blood cells, or that recruits hematopoietic cells to sites of injury. Thus, this gene product is thought to be useful in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. Moreover, the protein is useful in the detection, treatment, and/or prevention of a variety of vascular disorders and conditions, which include, but are

20 not limited to microvascular disease, vascular leak syndrome, aneurysm, stroke, embolism, thrombosis, coronary artery disease, arteriosclerosis, and/or atherosclerosis. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, to raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional

25 supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:103 and may have been publicly available prior to conception

30 of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or

more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1972 of SEQ ID NO:103, b is an integer of 15 to 1986, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:103, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

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FEATURES OF PROTEIN ENCODED BY GENE NO: 94

This gene is expressed primarily in activated monocytes.

Therefore, polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention are useful as reagents for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s) present in a biological sample and for diagnosis of diseases and conditions which include, but are not limited to, various diseases and/or disorders of the immune system. Similarly, polypeptides and antibodies directed to these polypeptides are useful in providing immunological probes for differential identification of the tissue(s) or cell type(s). For a number of disorders of the above tissues or cells, particularly of the immune system, expression of this gene at significantly higher or lower levels is routinely detected in certain tissues or cell types (e.g., immune, cancerous and wounded tissues) or bodily fluids (e.g., lymph, serum, plasma, urine, synovial fluid and spinal fluid) or another tissue or cell sample taken from an individual having such a disorder, relative to the standard gene expression level, i.e., the expression level in healthy tissue or bodily fluid from an individual not having the disorder.

The tissue distribution in activated monocytes indicates polynucleotides and polypeptides corresponding to this gene are useful for the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of immune system disorders. Representative uses are described in the "Immune Activity" and "Infectious Disease" sections below, in Example 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, and 27, and elsewhere herein. Briefly, the expression of this gene product indicates a role in regulating the proliferation; survival; differentiation; and/or activation of hematopoietic cell lineages, including blood stem cells. This gene product is involved in the regulation of cytokine production, antigen presentation, or other processes suggesting a usefulness in the treatment of cancer (e.g. by boosting immune responses). Since the gene is expressed in cells of lymphoid origin, the natural gene product is involved in immune functions. Therefore it is also useful as an agent for immunological disorders including arthritis, asthma, immunodeficiency

diseases such as AIDS, leukemia, rheumatoid arthritis, granulomatous disease, inflammatory bowel disease, sepsis, acne, neutropenia, neutrophilia, psoriasis, hypersensitivities, such as T-cell mediated cytotoxicity; immune reactions to transplanted organs and tissues, such as host-versus-graft and graft-versus-host
5 diseases, or autoimmunity disorders, such as autoimmune infertility, lense tissue injury, demyelination, systemic lupus erythematosus, drug induced hemolytic anemia, rheumatoid arthritis, Sjogren's disease, and scleroderma. Moreover, the protein may represent a secreted factor that influences the differentiation or behavior of other blood cells, or that recruits hematopoietic cells to sites of injury. Thus, this gene
10 product is thought to be useful in the expansion of stem cells and committed progenitors of various blood lineages, and in the differentiation and/or proliferation of various cell types. Furthermore, the protein may also be used to determine biological activity, raise antibodies, as tissue markers, to isolate cognate ligands or receptors, to identify agents that modulate their interactions, in addition to its use as a nutritional
15 supplement. Protein, as well as, antibodies directed against the protein may show utility as a tumor marker and/or immunotherapy targets for the above listed tissues.

Many polynucleotide sequences, such as EST sequences, are publicly available and accessible through sequence databases. Some of these sequences are related to SEQ ID NO:104 and may have been publicly available prior to conception
20 of the present invention. Preferably, such related polynucleotides are specifically excluded from the scope of the present invention. To list every related sequence is cumbersome. Accordingly, preferably excluded from the present invention are one or more polynucleotides comprising a nucleotide sequence described by the general formula of a-b, where a is any integer between 1 to 1319 of SEQ ID NO:104, b is an
25 integer of 15 to 1333, where both a and b correspond to the positions of nucleotide residues shown in SEQ ID NO:104, and where b is greater than or equal to a + 14.

Gene No.	cDNA Clone ID	ATCC Deposit Nr and Date	Vector	NT SEQ ID NO: X	Total NT Seq.	5' NT of Clone Seq.	3' NT of Clone Seq.	5' NT of Start Codon	5' NT of AA of Signal Pep	AA SEQ ID NO: Y	First AA of Sig Pep	Last AA of Sig Pep	First AA of Secreted Portion	Last AA of ORF
1	HWBBP10	209782 04/20/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	11	899	1	899	66	66	130	1	26	27	56
1	HWBBP10	209782 04/20/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	105	944	1	944	55	55	224	1	26	27	56
2	HWBDO80	209782 04/20/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	12	1140	1	1140	166	166	131	1	22	23	41
3	HWHGU54	209782 04/20/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	13	1445	1	1445	145	145	132	1	19	20	414
4	HYACI76	209782 04/20/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	14	1208	1	1148	385	385	133	1	25	26	44
5	HBHMA23	209782 04/20/98	pSPORT1	15	1175	2	1175	71	71	134	1	24	25	197
5	HBHMA23	209782 04/20/98	pSPORT1	106	1172	1	1172	70	70	225	1	24	25	76
6	HCE3G20	209782 04/20/98	Uni-ZAP XR	16	2374	1	2350	57	57	135	1	42	43	45
7	HCEJP80	209782 04/20/98	Uni-ZAP XR	17	1595	1	1595	90	90	136	1	21	22	40
8	HCUDD24	209782 04/20/98	ZAP Express	18	1287	89	1287	314	314	137	1	19	20	84

Gene No.	cDNA Clone ID	ATCC Deposit Nr and Date	Vector	NT SEQ ID NO: X	Total NT Seq.	5' NT of Clone Seq.	3' NT of Clone Seq.	5' NT of Start Codon	5' NT of AA of Signal Pep	AA SEQ ID NO: Y	First AA of Sig Pep	Last AA of Sig Pep	First AA of Secreted Portion	Last AA of ORF
9	HDPTD15	209782 04/20/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	19	1396	1	1396	223	223	138	1	18	19	200
10	HDPWU34	209782 04/20/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	20	1277	860	1277	117	117	139	1	23	24	325
10	HDPWU34	209782 04/20/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	107	427	1	427	111	111	226	1	16	17	44
11	HEOOV79	209782 04/20/98	pSPORT1	21	1781	1	1767	203	203	140	1	23	24	118
12	HFKET93	209782 04/20/98	Uni-ZAP XR	22	1491	1	1491	75	75	141	1	15	16	47
13	HFTDL56	209782 04/20/98	Uni-ZAP XR	23	1839	32	1838	93	93	142	1	22	23	519
14	HFXJX44	209782 04/20/98	Lambda ZAP II	24	1384	1	1384	98	98	143	1	18	19	47
15	HKACU58	209782 04/20/98	pCMVSPORT 2.0	25	1681	1	1681	98	98	144	1	18	19	431
15	HKACU58	209782 04/20/98	pCMVSPORT 2.0	108	1708	69	1708	117	117	227	1	18	19	101
16	HKFBC53	209782 04/20/98	ZAP Express	26	1949	1	1906	41	41	145	1	18	19	442
16	HLDBQ19	209226 08/28/97	pCMVSPORT 3.0	109	1487	401	1487	534	534	228	1	22	23	132

Gene No.	cDNA Clone ID	ATCC Deposit Nr and Date	Vector	NT SEQ ID NO: X	Total NT Seq.	5' NT of Clone Seq.	3' NT of Clone Seq.	5' NT of Start Codon	5' NT of AA of Signal Pep	AA SEQ ID NO: Y	First AA of Sig Pep	Last AA of Sig Pep	First AA of Secreted Portion	Last AA of ORF
16	HLDBQ19	97958 03/13/97	pCMVSPORT 3.0	110	1525	401	1480	534	534	229	1	22	23	66
17	HLTHR66	209782 04/20/98	Uni-ZAP XR	27	2286	1	2286	5	5	146	1	34	35	75
18	HL YBA69	209782 04/20/98	pSport1	28	530	1	530	89	89	147	1	29	30	51
19	HNTMX29	209782 04/20/98	pSport1	29	1296	756	1291	118	118	148	1	31	32	209
19	HNTMX29	209782 04/20/98	pSport1	111	552	1	552	18	18	230	1	18	19	72
20	HNTNC20	209782 04/20/98	pSport1	30	1979	1	1979	270	270	149	1	19	20	218
21	HNTNI01	209782 04/20/98	pSport1	31	1274	1	1114	306	306	150	1	33	34	49
22	HOHCK70	209782 04/20/98	pCMVSPORT 2.0	32	1531	1	1531	245	245	151	1	27	28	40
23	HSMBE69	209782 04/20/98	pSport1	33	2090	1	2090	69	69	152	1	18	19	107
24	HT4FW61	209782 04/20/98	Uni-ZAP XR	34	1006	31	1006	107	107	153	1	38	39	156
25	HYABK95	209782 04/20/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	35	1787	1	1787	267	267	154	1	26	27	150

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26	HYACE88	209782 04/20/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	36	1201	1	1180	316	316	155	1	16	17	70
27	HOABR60	209782 04/20/98	Uni-ZAP XR	37	1896	1	903	45	45	156	1	16	17	490
27	HOABR60	209782 04/20/98	Uni-ZAP XR	112	925	1	903	45	45	231	1	16	17	293
28	HAGCT73	209782 04/20/98	Uni-ZAP XR	38	1152	1	1152	119	119	157	1	30	31	31
29	HAPOM45	209782 04/20/98	Uni-ZAP XR	39	1017	34	1017	98	98	158	1	31	32	115
30	HCEJQ69	209782 04/20/98	Uni-ZAP XR	40	1777	1	1777	39	39	159	1	26	27	380
31	HAGFI62	209782 04/20/98	Uni-ZAP XR	41	1003	368	992	429	429	160	1	28	29	91
32	HAGGS43	209782 04/20/98	Uni-ZAP XR	42	1201	1	1201	62	62	161	1	25	26	44
33	HBJHP03	209852 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	43	1176	1	1176	185	185	162	1	20	21	45
34	HCHPF68	209852 05/07/98	pSPORT1	44	569	1	569	186	186	163	1	36	37	128
35	HDPJF37	209852 05/07/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	45	986	1	986	196	196	164	1	23	24	57

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36	HSDEZ20	209852 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	46	1540	1	1540	66	66	165	1	41	42	97
37	HTEKU58	209852 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	47	792	73	792	93	93	166	1	30	31	59
38	HLTBL58	209852 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	48	1497	1	1497	26	26	167	1	20	21	42
39	HPWDJ42	209852 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	49	1340	1	1340	149	149	168	1	18	19	54
39	HPWDJ42	209852 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	113	1340	1	1340	149	149	232	1	21	22	54
39	HPWDJ42	209852 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	114	813	1	813	161	161	233	1	18	19	47
40	HRACD15	209852 05/07/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	50	1539	24	1539	252	252	169	1	40	41	53
40	HRACD15	209852 05/07/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	115	1681	24	1453	252	252	234	1	40	41	53
41	HSIAC80	209852 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	51	1423	1	1423	178	178	170	1	17	18	53
42	HAGFD18	209852 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	52	1364	94	1364	261	261	171	1	21	22	48
43	HMTAT59	209852 05/07/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	53	2288	501	2276	301	301	172	1	14	15	224

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44	HDTGC86	209852 05/07/98	pCMVSPORT 2.0	54	1512	1	1512	351	351	173	1	27	28	200
45	HAGDI35	209852 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	55	1357	1	1338	318	318	174	1	25	26	93
46	HELHN47	209852 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	56	1989	883	1989	778	778	175	1	30	31	404
47	HPRBC80	209852 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	57	2543	1245	2543	94	94	176	1	30	31	387
47	HPRBC80	209852 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	116	2052	275	2032	404	404	235	1	26	27	69
48	HAQAR23	209852 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	58	777	66	777	92	92	177	1	19	20	145
49	HAIFL18	209852 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	59	879	1	879	274	274	178	1	29	30	140
50	HUPAY76	209852 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	60	1161	1	1161	134	134	179	1	21	22	127
51	HUSXE77	209852 05/07/98	pSport1	61	687	1	687	156	156	180	1	20	21	146
52	HUFEF62	209852 05/07/98	pSport1	62	518	1	518	190	190	181	1	28	29	68
52	HUFEF62	209852 05/07/98	pSport1	117	539	1	539	182	182	236	1	28	29	68

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53	HTWJK32	209852 05/07/98	Lambda ZAP II	63	911	211	911	376	376	182	1	20	21	51
54	HTWDF76	209852 05/07/98	pSport1	64	963	1	963	316	316	183	1	24	25	85
55	HTPBN68	209852 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	65	1001	1	1001	429	429	184	1	20	21	191
56	HTOIY21	209852 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	66	1558	1	1558	91	91	185	1	14	15	231
57	HTLDD53	209852 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	67	1322	1	1322	162	162	186	1	25	26	68
58	HTLFG05	209852 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	68	865	1	717	137	137	187	1	30	31	211
58	HTLFG05	209852 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	118	882	1	882	137	137	237	1	30	31	67
59	HDPXR23	209852 05/07/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	69	1150	20	1150	49	49	188	1	20	21	90
59	HDPXR23	209852 05/07/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	119	1193	1	1189	95	95	238	1	20	21	90
60	HSIAC45	209852 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	70	1398	1	1398	12	12	189	1	23	24	62
61	HSRGW16	209853 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	71	1557	180	1007	72	72	190	1	12	13	295

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61	HSRGW16	209853 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	120	1338	1	1338	170	170	239	1	47	48	140
62	HSSJC35	209853 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	72	1163	1	1163	55	55	191	1	30	31	295
62	HSSJC35	209853 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	121	1183	1	1183	66	66	240	1	30	31	37
63	HTEAX23	209853 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	73	1486	1	1486	72	72	192	1	20	21	338
64	HTGCH22	209853 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	74	1553	1	1553	12	12	193	1	29	30	78
65	HTJMA95	209853 05/07/98	pCMVSPORT 2.0	75	1650	198	1569	527	527	194	1	22	23	181
66	HHEAA08	209853 05/07/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	76	2150	1	2150	88	88	195	1	38	39	79
66	HHEAA08	209853 05/07/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	122	615	1	615		311	241	1			20
67	HBQAA49	209853 05/07/98	Lambda ZAP II	77	1592	1	1592	197	197	196	1	37	38	69
68	HDPBI32	209853 05/07/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	78	1579	598	1184	103	103	197	1	30	31	271
68	HDPBI32	209853 05/07/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	123	587	1	587	51	51	242	1	35	36	138

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69	HBIBF16	209853 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	79	1396	1	1396	15	15	198	1	35	36	51
70	HBCAY05	209853 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	80	1230	576	1209	627	627	199	1	22	23	71
71	HCUCK44	209853 05/07/98	ZAP Express	81	1139	573	1133	593	593	200	1	30	31	60
72	HCE2W56	209853 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	82	1409	1	1409	61	61	201	1	21	22	143
73	HCWAG01	209853 05/07/98	ZAP Express	83	714	1	714	192	192	202	1	25	26	148
74	HLDBY02	209853 05/07/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	84	1097	1	1097	326	326	203	1	30	31	36
75	HDRMI82	209853 05/07/98	pSport1	85	1931	540	1900	170	170	204	1	25	26	406
75	HDRMI82	209853 05/07/98	pSport1	124	1379	1	1357	328	328	243	1	30	31	175
76	HEPCU48	209853 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	86	1092	1	1092	98	98	205	1	26	27	91
77	HDPK33	209853 05/07/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	87	578	1	573	99	99	206	1	44	45	101
78	HKGAX42	209853 05/07/98	pSport1	88	699	1	699	69	69	207	1	18	19	50

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79	HLMAZ95	209853 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	89	1126	7	1126	187	187	208	1	33	34	161
80	HLMFC07	209853 05/07/98	Lambda ZAP II	90	1037	1	1037	203	203	209	1	17	18	227
80	HLMFC07	209853 05/07/98	Lambda ZAP II	125	1268	1	1268	203	203	244	1	30	31	39
81	HL2AG87	209853 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	91	1316	1	1316	110	110	210	1	37	38	351
82	HKGCO27	209853 05/07/98	pSport1	92	1021	1	1021	313	313	211	1	26	27	93
82	HKGCO27	209853 05/07/98	pSport1	126	1311	1	1311	57	57	245	1	26	27	47
83	HLDCE79	209853 05/07/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	93	1260	1	1260	342	342	212	1	63	64	101
83	HLDCE79	209853 05/07/98	pCMVSPORT 3.0	127	1249	1	1249	298	298	246	1	30	31	34
84	HERAD40	209853 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	94	990	1	990	85	85	213	1	38	39	98
85	HFOXBS5	209853 05/07/98	pSport1	95	1710	1	1710	138	138	214	1	34	35	81
86	HFVGGZ42	209853 05/07/98	pBluescript	96	781	1	781	71	71	215	1	22	23	188

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87	HNHAF39	209853 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	97	1113	1	1113	332	332	216	1	30	31	44
88	HNTSW57	209853 05/07/98	pSport1	98	1723	181	1723	19	19	217	1	21	22	515
88	HNTSW57	209853 05/07/98	pSport1	128	1660	1	1660	38	38	247	1	21	22	490
89	HOGCK20	209853 05/07/98	pCMVSPORT 2.0	99	2087	1	2087	57	57	218	1	23	24	522
89	HOGCK20	209853 05/07/98	pCMVSPORT 2.0	129	2075	1	2054		53	248	1	22	23	554
90	HMDAL49	209853 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	100	751	1	751	52	52	219	1	22	23	52
91	HLYES38	209853 05/07/98	pSport1	101	1223	1	1223	69	69	220	1	22	23	73
92	HMECK83	209853 05/07/98	Lambda ZAP II	102	1010	1	1010	50	50	221	1	28	29	54
93	HSHAX21	209853 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	103	1986	1	1986	177	177	222	1	13	14	72
94	HMQAG66	209853 05/07/98	Uni-ZAP XR	104	1333	1	1333	657	657	223	1	24	25	69

Table 1 summarizes the information corresponding to each "Gene No." described above. The nucleotide sequence identified as "NT SEQ ID NO:X" was assembled from partially homologous ("overlapping") sequences obtained from the "cDNA clone ID" identified in Table 1 and, in some cases, from additional related DNA clones. The overlapping sequences were assembled into a single contiguous sequence of high redundancy (usually three to five overlapping sequences at each nucleotide position), resulting in a final sequence identified as SEQ ID NO:X.

The cDNA Clone ID was deposited on the date and given the corresponding deposit number listed in "ATCC Deposit No:Z and Date." Some of the deposits contain multiple different clones corresponding to the same gene. "Vector" refers to the type of vector contained in the cDNA Clone ID.

"Total NT Seq." refers to the total number of nucleotides in the contig identified by "Gene No." The deposited clone may contain all or most of these sequences, reflected by the nucleotide position indicated as "5' NT of Clone Seq." and the "3' NT of Clone Seq." of SEQ ID NO:X. The nucleotide position of SEQ ID NO:X of the putative start codon (methionine) is identified as "5' NT of Start Codon." Similarly, the nucleotide position of SEQ ID NO:X of the predicted signal sequence is identified as "5' NT of First AA of Signal Pep."

The translated amino acid sequence, beginning with the methionine, is identified as "AA SEQ ID NO:Y," although other reading frames can also be easily translated using known molecular biology techniques. The polypeptides produced by these alternative open reading frames are specifically contemplated by the present invention.

The first and last amino acid position of SEQ ID NO:Y of the predicted signal peptide is identified as "First AA of Sig Pep" and "Last AA of Sig Pep." The predicted first amino acid position of SEQ ID NO:Y of the secreted portion is identified as "Predicted First AA of Secreted Portion." Finally, the amino acid position of SEQ ID NO:Y of the last amino acid in the open reading frame is identified as "Last AA of ORF."

SEQ ID NO:X and the translated SEQ ID NO:Y are sufficiently accurate and otherwise suitable for a variety of uses well known in the art and described further below. For instance, SEQ ID NO:X is useful for designing nucleic acid hybridization

probes that will detect nucleic acid sequences contained in SEQ ID NO:X or the cDNA contained in the deposited clone. These probes will also hybridize to nucleic acid molecules in biological samples, thereby enabling a variety of forensic and diagnostic methods of the invention. Similarly, polypeptides identified from SEQ ID
5 NO:Y may be used to generate antibodies which bind specifically to the secreted proteins encoded by the cDNA clones identified in Table 1.

Nevertheless, DNA sequences generated by sequencing reactions can contain sequencing errors. The errors exist as misidentified nucleotides, or as insertions or deletions of nucleotides in the generated DNA sequence. The erroneously inserted or
10 deleted nucleotides cause frame shifts in the reading frames of the predicted amino acid sequence. In these cases, the predicted amino acid sequence diverges from the actual amino acid sequence, even though the generated DNA sequence may be greater than 99.9% identical to the actual DNA sequence (for example, one base insertion or deletion in an open reading frame of over 1000 bases).

15 Accordingly, for those applications requiring precision in the nucleotide sequence or the amino acid sequence, the present invention provides not only the generated nucleotide sequence identified as SEQ ID NO:X and the predicted translated amino acid sequence identified as SEQ ID NO:Y, but also a sample of plasmid DNA containing a human cDNA of the invention deposited with the ATCC,
20 as set forth in Table 1. The nucleotide sequence of each deposited clone can readily be determined by sequencing the deposited clone in accordance with known methods. The predicted amino acid sequence can then be verified from such deposits. Moreover, the amino acid sequence of the protein encoded by a particular clone can also be directly determined by peptide sequencing or by expressing the protein in a
25 suitable host cell containing the deposited human cDNA, collecting the protein, and determining its sequence.

The present invention also relates to the genes corresponding to SEQ ID NO:X, SEQ ID NO:Y, or the deposited clone. The corresponding gene can be isolated in accordance with known methods using the sequence information disclosed
30 herein. Such methods include preparing probes or primers from the disclosed sequence and identifying or amplifying the corresponding gene from appropriate sources of genomic material.

Also provided in the present invention are species homologs. Species homologs may be isolated and identified by making suitable probes or primers from the sequences provided herein and screening a suitable nucleic acid source for the desired homologue.

5 The polypeptides of the invention can be prepared in any suitable manner. Such polypeptides include isolated naturally occurring polypeptides, recombinantly produced polypeptides, synthetically produced polypeptides, or polypeptides produced by a combination of these methods. Means for preparing such polypeptides are well understood in the art.

10 The polypeptides may be in the form of the secreted protein, including the mature form, or may be a part of a larger protein, such as a fusion protein (see below). It is often advantageous to include an additional amino acid sequence which contains secretory or leader sequences, pro-sequences, sequences which aid in purification , such as multiple histidine residues, or an additional sequence for stability during
15 recombinant production.

 The polypeptides of the present invention are preferably provided in an isolated form, and preferably are substantially purified. A recombinantly produced version of a polypeptide, including the secreted polypeptide, can be substantially purified by the one-step method described in Smith and Johnson, Gene 67:31-40
20 (1988). Polypeptides of the invention also can be purified from natural or recombinant sources using antibodies of the invention raised against the secreted protein in methods which are well known in the art.

Signal Sequences

25 Methods for predicting whether a protein has a signal sequence, as well as the cleavage point for that sequence, are available. For instance, the method of McGeoch, Virus Res. 3:271-286 (1985), uses the information from a short N-terminal charged region and a subsequent uncharged region of the complete (uncleaved) protein. The method of von Heinje, Nucleic Acids Res. 14:4683-4690 (1986) uses the
30 information from the residues surrounding the cleavage site, typically residues -13 to +2, where +1 indicates the amino terminus of the secreted protein. The accuracy of predicting the cleavage points of known mammalian secretory proteins for each of

these methods is in the range of 75-80%. (von Heinje, supra.) However, the two methods do not always produce the same predicted cleavage point(s) for a given protein.

In the present case, the deduced amino acid sequence of the secreted polypeptide was analyzed by a computer program called SignalP (Henrik Nielsen et al., Protein Engineering 10:1-6 (1997)), which predicts the cellular location of a protein based on the amino acid sequence. As part of this computational prediction of localization, the methods of McGeoch and von Heinje are incorporated. The analysis of the amino acid sequences of the secreted proteins described herein by this program provided the results shown in Table 1.

As one of ordinary skill would appreciate, however, cleavage sites sometimes vary from organism to organism and cannot be predicted with absolute certainty. Accordingly, the present invention provides secreted polypeptides having a sequence shown in SEQ ID NO:Y which have an N-terminus beginning within 5 residues (i.e., + or - 5 residues) of the predicted cleavage point. Similarly, it is also recognized that in some cases, cleavage of the signal sequence from a secreted protein is not entirely uniform, resulting in more than one secreted species. These polypeptides, and the polynucleotides encoding such polypeptides, are contemplated by the present invention.

Moreover, the signal sequence identified by the above analysis may not necessarily predict the naturally occurring signal sequence. For example, the naturally occurring signal sequence may be further upstream from the predicted signal sequence. However, it is likely that the predicted signal sequence will be capable of directing the secreted protein to the ER. These polypeptides, and the polynucleotides encoding such polypeptides, are contemplated by the present invention.

Polynucleotide and Polypeptide Variants

"Variant" refers to a polynucleotide or polypeptide differing from the polynucleotide or polypeptide of the present invention, but retaining essential properties thereof. Generally, variants are overall closely similar, and, in many regions, identical to the polynucleotide or polypeptide of the present invention.

By a polynucleotide having a nucleotide sequence at least, for example, 95%

"identical" to a reference nucleotide sequence of the present invention, it is intended that the nucleotide sequence of the polynucleotide is identical to the reference sequence except that the polynucleotide sequence may include up to five point mutations per each 100 nucleotides of the reference nucleotide sequence encoding the polypeptide. In other words, to obtain a polynucleotide having a nucleotide sequence at least 95% identical to a reference nucleotide sequence, up to 5% of the nucleotides in the reference sequence may be deleted or substituted with another nucleotide, or a number of nucleotides up to 5% of the total nucleotides in the reference sequence may be inserted into the reference sequence. The query sequence may be an entire sequence shown in Table 1, the ORF (open reading frame), or any fragment specified as described herein.

As a practical matter, whether any particular nucleic acid molecule or polypeptide is at least 90%, 95%, 96%, 97%, 98% or 99% identical to a nucleotide sequence of the present invention can be determined conventionally using known computer programs. A preferred method for determining the best overall match between a query sequence (a sequence of the present invention) and a subject sequence, also referred to as a global sequence alignment, can be determined using the FASTDB computer program based on the algorithm of Brutlag et al. (Comp. App. Biosci. (1990) 6:237-245). In a sequence alignment the query and subject sequences are both DNA sequences. An RNA sequence can be compared by converting U's to T's. The result of said global sequence alignment is in percent identity. Preferred parameters used in a FASTDB alignment of DNA sequences to calculate percent identity are: Matrix=Unitary, k-tuple=4, Mismatch Penalty=1, Joining Penalty=30, Randomization Group Length=0, Cutoff Score=1, Gap Penalty=5, Gap Size Penalty 0.05, Window Size=500 or the length of the subject nucleotide sequence, whichever is shorter.

If the subject sequence is shorter than the query sequence because of 5' or 3' deletions, not because of internal deletions, a manual correction must be made to the results. This is because the FASTDB program does not account for 5' and 3' truncations of the subject sequence when calculating percent identity. For subject sequences truncated at the 5' or 3' ends, relative to the query sequence, the percent identity is corrected by calculating the number of bases of the query sequence

that are 5' and 3' of the subject sequence, which are not matched/aligned, as a percent of the total bases of the query sequence. Whether a nucleotide is matched/aligned is determined by results of the FASTDB sequence alignment. This percentage is then subtracted from the percent identity, calculated by the above FASTDB program using the specified parameters, to arrive at a final percent identity score. This corrected score is what is used for the purposes of the present invention. Only bases outside the 5' and 3' bases of the subject sequence, as displayed by the FASTDB alignment, which are not matched/aligned with the query sequence, are calculated for the purposes of manually adjusting the percent identity score.

For example, a 90 base subject sequence is aligned to a 100 base query sequence to determine percent identity. The deletions occur at the 5' end of the subject sequence and therefore, the FASTDB alignment does not show a matched/alignment of the first 10 bases at 5' end. The 10 unpaired bases represent 10% of the sequence (number of bases at the 5' and 3' ends not matched/total number of bases in the query sequence) so 10% is subtracted from the percent identity score calculated by the FASTDB program. If the remaining 90 bases were perfectly matched the final percent identity would be 90%. In another example, a 90 base subject sequence is compared with a 100 base query sequence. This time the deletions are internal deletions so that there are no bases on the 5' or 3' of the subject sequence which are not matched/aligned with the query. In this case the percent identity calculated by FASTDB is not manually corrected. Once again, only bases 5' and 3' of the subject sequence which are not matched/aligned with the query sequence are manually corrected for. No other manual corrections are to made for the purposes of the present invention.

By a polypeptide having an amino acid sequence at least, for example, 95% "identical" to a query amino acid sequence of the present invention, it is intended that the amino acid sequence of the subject polypeptide is identical to the query sequence except that the subject polypeptide sequence may include up to five amino acid alterations per each 100 amino acids of the query amino acid sequence. In other words, to obtain a polypeptide having an amino acid sequence at least 95% identical to a query amino acid sequence, up to 5% of the amino acid residues in the subject sequence may be inserted, deleted, (indels) or substituted with another amino acid.

These alterations of the reference sequence may occur at the amino or carboxy terminal positions of the reference amino acid sequence or anywhere between those terminal positions, interspersed either individually among residues in the reference sequence or in one or more contiguous groups within the reference sequence.

- 5 As a practical matter, whether any particular polypeptide is at least 90%, 95%, 96%, 97%, 98% or 99% identical to, for instance, the amino acid sequences shown in Table 1 or to the amino acid sequence encoded by deposited DNA clone can be determined conventionally using known computer programs. A preferred method for determining the best overall match between a query sequence (a sequence of the present invention) and a subject sequence, also referred to as a global sequence alignment, can be determined using the FASTDB computer program based on the algorithm of Brutlag et al. (Comp. App. Biosci. (1990) 6:237-245). In a sequence alignment the query and subject sequences are either both nucleotide sequences or both amino acid sequences. The result of said global sequence alignment is in percent identity.
- 10 Preferred parameters used in a FASTDB amino acid alignment are: Matrix=PAM 0, k-tuple=2, Mismatch Penalty=1, Joining Penalty=20, Randomization Group Length=0, Cutoff Score=1, Window Size=sequence length, Gap Penalty=5, Gap Size Penalty=0.05, Window Size=500 or the length of the subject amino acid sequence, whichever is shorter.
- 15 If the subject sequence is shorter than the query sequence due to N- or C-terminal deletions, not because of internal deletions, a manual correction must be made to the results. This is because the FASTDB program does not account for N- and C-terminal truncations of the subject sequence when calculating global percent identity. For subject sequences truncated at the N- and C-termini, relative to the query sequence, the percent identity is corrected by calculating the number of residues of the query sequence that are N- and C-terminal of the subject sequence, which are not matched/aligned with a corresponding subject residue, as a percent of the total bases of the query sequence. Whether a residue is matched/aligned is determined by results of the FASTDB sequence alignment. This percentage is then subtracted from the percent identity, calculated by the above FASTDB program using the specified parameters, to arrive at a final percent identity score. This final percent identity score is what is used for the purposes of the present invention. Only residues to the N- and
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C-termini of the subject sequence, which are not matched/aligned with the query sequence, are considered for the purposes of manually adjusting the percent identity score. That is, only query residue positions outside the farthest N- and C-terminal residues of the subject sequence.

5 For example, a 90 amino acid residue subject sequence is aligned with a 100 residue query sequence to determine percent identity. The deletion occurs at the N-terminus of the subject sequence and therefore, the FASTDB alignment does not show a matching/alignment of the first 10 residues at the N-terminus. The 10 unpaired residues represent 10% of the sequence (number of residues at the N- and C-termini not matched/total number of residues in the query sequence) so 10% is subtracted from the percent identity score calculated by the FASTDB program. If the remaining 90 residues were perfectly matched the final percent identity would be 90%. In another example, a 90 residue subject sequence is compared with a 100 residue query sequence. This time the deletions are internal deletions so there are no residues at the N- or C-termini of the subject sequence which are not matched/aligned with the query. In this case the percent identity calculated by FASTDB is not manually corrected. Once again, only residue positions outside the N- and C-terminal ends of the subject sequence, as displayed in the FASTDB alignment, which are not matched/aligned with the query sequence are manually corrected for. No other manual corrections are to be made for the purposes of the present invention.

20 The variants may contain alterations in the coding regions, non-coding regions, or both. Especially preferred are polynucleotide variants containing alterations which produce silent substitutions, additions, or deletions, but do not alter the properties or activities of the encoded polypeptide. Nucleotide variants produced by silent substitutions due to the degeneracy of the genetic code are preferred. Moreover, variants in which 5-10, 1-5, or 1-2 amino acids are substituted, deleted, or added in any combination are also preferred. Polynucleotide variants can be produced for a variety of reasons, e.g., to optimize codon expression for a particular host (change codons in the human mRNA to those preferred by a bacterial host such as E. coli).

30 Naturally occurring variants are called "allelic variants," and refer to one of several alternate forms of a gene occupying a given locus on a chromosome of an

organism. (Genes II, Lewin, B., ed., John Wiley & Sons, New York (1985).) These allelic variants can vary at either the polynucleotide and/or polypeptide level.

Alternatively, non-naturally occurring variants may be produced by mutagenesis techniques or by direct synthesis.

5 Using known methods of protein engineering and recombinant DNA technology, variants may be generated to improve or alter the characteristics of the polypeptides of the present invention. For instance, one or more amino acids can be deleted from the N-terminus or C-terminus of the secreted protein without substantial loss of biological function. The authors of Ron et al., J. Biol. Chem. 268: 2984-2988
10 (1993), reported variant KGF proteins having heparin binding activity even after deleting 3, 8, or 27 amino-terminal amino acid residues. Similarly, Interferon gamma exhibited up to ten times higher activity after deleting 8-10 amino acid residues from the carboxy terminus of this protein. (Dobeli et al., J. Biotechnology 7:199-216 (1988).)

15 Moreover, ample evidence demonstrates that variants often retain a biological activity similar to that of the naturally occurring protein. For example, Gayle and coworkers (J. Biol. Chem 268:22105-22111 (1993)) conducted extensive mutational analysis of human cytokine IL-1a. They used random mutagenesis to generate over 3,500 individual IL-1a mutants that averaged 2.5 amino acid changes per variant over
20 the entire length of the molecule. Multiple mutations were examined at every possible amino acid position. The investigators found that "[m]ost of the molecule could be altered with little effect on either [binding or biological activity]." (See, Abstract.) In fact, only 23 unique amino acid sequences, out of more than 3,500 nucleotide sequences examined, produced a protein that significantly differed in
25 activity from wild-type.

 Furthermore, even if deleting one or more amino acids from the N-terminus or C-terminus of a polypeptide results in modification or loss of one or more biological functions, other biological activities may still be retained. For example, the ability of a deletion variant to induce and/or to bind antibodies which recognize the secreted
30 form will likely be retained when less than the majority of the residues of the secreted form are removed from the N-terminus or C-terminus. Whether a particular polypeptide lacking N- or C-terminal residues of a protein retains such immunogenic

activities can readily be determined by routine methods described herein and otherwise known in the art.

Thus, the invention further includes polypeptide variants which show substantial biological activity. Such variants include deletions, insertions,
5 inversions, repeats, and substitutions selected according to general rules known in the art so as have little effect on activity. For example, guidance concerning how to make phenotypically silent amino acid substitutions is provided in Bowie, J. U. et al., Science 247:1306-1310 (1990), wherein the authors indicate that there are two main strategies for studying the tolerance of an amino acid sequence to change.

10 The first strategy exploits the tolerance of amino acid substitutions by natural selection during the process of evolution. By comparing amino acid sequences in different species, conserved amino acids can be identified. These conserved amino acids are likely important for protein function. In contrast, the amino acid positions where substitutions have been tolerated by natural selection indicates that these
15 positions are not critical for protein function. Thus, positions tolerating amino acid substitution could be modified while still maintaining biological activity of the protein.

The second strategy uses genetic engineering to introduce amino acid changes at specific positions of a cloned gene to identify regions critical for protein function.
20 For example, site directed mutagenesis or alanine-scanning mutagenesis (introduction of single alanine mutations at every residue in the molecule) can be used. (Cunningham and Wells, Science 244:1081-1085 (1989).) The resulting mutant molecules can then be tested for biological activity.

As the authors state, these two strategies have revealed that proteins are
25 surprisingly tolerant of amino acid substitutions. The authors further indicate which amino acid changes are likely to be permissive at certain amino acid positions in the protein. For example, most buried (within the tertiary structure of the protein) amino acid residues require nonpolar side chains, whereas few features of surface side chains are generally conserved. Moreover, tolerated conservative amino acid substitutions
30 involve replacement of the aliphatic or hydrophobic amino acids Ala, Val, Leu and Ile; replacement of the hydroxyl residues Ser and Thr; replacement of the acidic residues Asp and Glu; replacement of the amide residues Asn and Gln, replacement of

the basic residues Lys, Arg, and His; replacement of the aromatic residues Phe, Tyr, and Trp, and replacement of the small-sized amino acids Ala, Ser, Thr, Met, and Gly.

Besides conservative amino acid substitution, variants of the present invention
5 include (i) substitutions with one or more of the non-conserved amino acid residues, where the substituted amino acid residues may or may not be one encoded by the genetic code, or (ii) substitution with one or more of amino acid residues having a substituent group, or (iii) fusion of the mature polypeptide with another compound, such as a compound to increase the stability and/or solubility of the polypeptide (for
10 example, polyethylene glycol), or (iv) fusion of the polypeptide with additional amino acids, such as an IgG Fc fusion region peptide, or leader or secretory sequence, or a sequence facilitating purification. Such variant polypeptides are deemed to be within the scope of those skilled in the art from the teachings herein.

For example, polypeptide variants containing amino acid substitutions of
15 charged amino acids with other charged or neutral amino acids may produce proteins with improved characteristics, such as less aggregation. Aggregation of pharmaceutical formulations both reduces activity and increases clearance due to the aggregate's immunogenic activity. (Pinckard et al., Clin. Exp. Immunol. 2:331-340 (1967); Robbins et al., Diabetes 36: 838-845 (1987); Cleland et al., Crit. Rev.
20 Therapeutic Drug Carrier Systems 10:307-377 (1993).)

A further embodiment of the invention relates to a polypeptide which comprises the amino acid sequence of the present invention having an amino acid sequence which contains at least one amino acid substitution, but not more than 50 amino acid substitutions, even more preferably, not more than 40 amino acid
25 substitutions, still more preferably, not more than 30 amino acid substitutions, and still even more preferably, not more than 20 amino acid substitutions. Of course, in order of ever-increasing preference, it is highly preferable for a polypeptide to have an amino acid sequence which comprises the amino acid sequence of the present invention, which contains at least one, but not more than 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2 or 1
30 amino acid substitutions. In specific embodiments, the number of additions, substitutions, and/or deletions in the amino acid sequence of the present invention or fragments thereof (e.g., the mature form and/or other fragments described herein), is

1-5, 5-10, 5-25, 5-50, 10-50 or 50-150, conservative amino acid substitutions are preferable.

Polynucleotide and Polypeptide Fragments

5 In the present invention, a "polynucleotide fragment" refers to a short polynucleotide having a nucleic acid sequence contained in the deposited clone or shown in SEQ ID NO:X. The short nucleotide fragments are preferably at least about 15 nt, and more preferably at least about 20 nt, still more preferably at least about 30 nt, and even more preferably, at least about 40 nt in length. A fragment "at least 20 nt
10 in length," for example, is intended to include 20 or more contiguous bases from the cDNA sequence contained in the deposited clone or the nucleotide sequence shown in SEQ ID NO:X. These nucleotide fragments are useful as diagnostic probes and primers as discussed herein. Of course, larger fragments (e.g., 50, 150, 500, 600, 2000 nucleotides) are preferred.

15 Moreover, representative examples of polynucleotide fragments of the invention, include, for example, fragments having a sequence from about nucleotide number 1-50, 51-100, 101-150, 151-200, 201-250, 251-300, 301-350, 351-400, 401-450, 451-500, 501-550, 551-600, 651-700, 701-750, 751-800, 800-850, 851-900, 901-950, 951-1000, 1001-1050, 1051-1100, 1101-1150, 1151-1200, 1201-1250, 1251-
20 1300, 1301-1350, 1351-1400, 1401-1450, 1451-1500, 1501-1550, 1551-1600, 1601-1650, 1651-1700, 1701-1750, 1751-1800, 1801-1850, 1851-1900, 1901-1950, 1951-2000, or 2001 to the end of SEQ ID NO:X or the cDNA contained in the deposited clone. In this context "about" includes the particularly recited ranges, larger or smaller by several (5, 4, 3, 2, or 1) nucleotides, at either terminus or at both termini.
25 Preferably, these fragments encode a polypeptide which has biological activity. More preferably, these polynucleotides can be used as probes or primers as discussed herein.

 In the present invention, a "polypeptide fragment" refers to a short amino acid sequence contained in SEQ ID NO:Y or encoded by the cDNA contained in the
30 deposited clone. Protein fragments may be "free-standing," or comprised within a larger polypeptide of which the fragment forms a part or region, most preferably as a single continuous region. Representative examples of polypeptide fragments of the

invention, include, for example, fragments from about amino acid number 1-20, 21-40, 41-60, 61-80, 81-100, 102-120, 121-140, 141-160, or 161 to the end of the coding region. Moreover, polypeptide fragments can be about 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90, 100, 110, 120, 130, 140, or 150 amino acids in length. In this context "about" includes the particularly recited ranges, larger or smaller by several (5, 4, 3, 2, or 1) amino acids, at either extreme or at both extremes.

Preferred polypeptide fragments include the secreted protein as well as the mature form. Further preferred polypeptide fragments include the secreted protein or the mature form having a continuous series of deleted residues from the amino or the carboxy terminus, or both. For example, any number of amino acids, ranging from 1-60, can be deleted from the amino terminus of either the secreted polypeptide or the mature form. Similarly, any number of amino acids, ranging from 1-30, can be deleted from the carboxy terminus of the secreted protein or mature form. Furthermore, any combination of the above amino and carboxy terminus deletions are preferred. Similarly, polynucleotide fragments encoding these polypeptide fragments are also preferred.

Also preferred are polypeptide and polynucleotide fragments characterized by structural or functional domains, such as fragments that comprise alpha-helix and alpha-helix forming regions, beta-sheet and beta-sheet-forming regions, turn and turn-forming regions, coil and coil-forming regions, hydrophilic regions, hydrophobic regions, alpha amphipathic regions, beta amphipathic regions, flexible regions, surface-forming regions, substrate binding region, and high antigenic index regions. Polypeptide fragments of SEQ ID NO:Y falling within conserved domains are specifically contemplated by the present invention. Moreover, polynucleotide fragments encoding these domains are also contemplated.

Other preferred fragments are biologically active fragments. Biologically active fragments are those exhibiting activity similar, but not necessarily identical, to an activity of the polypeptide of the present invention. The biological activity of the fragments may include an improved desired activity, or a decreased undesirable activity.

Epitopes & Antibodies

In the present invention, "epitopes" refer to polypeptide fragments having antigenic or immunogenic activity in an animal, especially in a human. A preferred embodiment of the present invention relates to a polypeptide fragment comprising an epitope, as well as the polynucleotide encoding this fragment. A region of a protein molecule to which an antibody can bind is defined as an "antigenic epitope." In contrast, an "immunogenic epitope" is defined as a part of a protein that elicits an antibody response. (See, for instance, Geysen et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 81:3998-4002 (1983).)

Fragments which function as epitopes may be produced by any conventional means. (See, e.g., Houghten, R. A., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 82:5131-5135 (1985) further described in U.S. Patent No. 4,631,211.)

In the present invention, antigenic epitopes preferably contain a sequence of at least seven, more preferably at least nine, and most preferably between about 15 to about 30 amino acids. Antigenic epitopes are useful to raise antibodies, including monoclonal antibodies, that specifically bind the epitope. (See, for instance, Wilson et al., Cell 37:767-778 (1984); Sutcliffe, J. G. et al., Science 219:660-666 (1983).)

Similarly, immunogenic epitopes can be used to induce antibodies according to methods well known in the art. (See, for instance, Sutcliffe et al., supra; Wilson et al., supra; Chow, M. et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 82:910-914; and Bittle, F. J. et al., J. Gen. Virol. 66:2347-2354 (1985).) A preferred immunogenic epitope includes the secreted protein. The immunogenic epitopes may be presented together with a carrier protein, such as an albumin, to an animal system (such as rabbit or mouse) or, if it is long enough (at least about 25 amino acids), without a carrier. However, immunogenic epitopes comprising as few as 8 to 10 amino acids have been shown to be sufficient to raise antibodies capable of binding to, at the very least, linear epitopes in a denatured polypeptide (e.g., in Western blotting.)

As used herein, the term "antibody" (Ab) or "monoclonal antibody" (Mab) is meant to include intact molecules as well as antibody fragments (such as, for example, Fab and F(ab')₂ fragments) which are capable of specifically binding to protein. Fab and F(ab')₂ fragments lack the Fc fragment of intact antibody, clear more rapidly from the circulation, and may have less non-specific tissue binding than an intact antibody. (Wahl et al., J. Nucl. Med. 24:316-325 (1983).) Thus, these

fragments are preferred, as well as the products of a FAB or other immunoglobulin expression library. Moreover, antibodies of the present invention include chimeric, single chain, and humanized antibodies.

5 **Fusion Proteins**

Any polypeptide of the present invention can be used to generate fusion proteins. For example, the polypeptide of the present invention, when fused to a second protein, can be used as an antigenic tag. Antibodies raised against the polypeptide of the present invention can be used to indirectly detect the second
10 protein by binding to the polypeptide. Moreover, because secreted proteins target cellular locations based on trafficking signals, the polypeptides of the present invention can be used as targeting molecules once fused to other proteins.

Examples of domains that can be fused to polypeptides of the present invention include not only heterologous signal sequences, but also other heterologous
15 functional regions. The fusion does not necessarily need to be direct, but may occur through linker sequences.

Moreover, fusion proteins may also be engineered to improve characteristics of the polypeptide of the present invention. For instance, a region of additional amino acids, particularly charged amino acids, may be added to the N-terminus of the
20 polypeptide to improve stability and persistence during purification from the host cell or subsequent handling and storage. Also, peptide moieties may be added to the polypeptide to facilitate purification. Such regions may be removed prior to final preparation of the polypeptide. The addition of peptide moieties to facilitate handling of polypeptides are familiar and routine techniques in the art.

Moreover, polypeptides of the present invention, including fragments, and
25 specifically epitopes, can be combined with parts of the constant domain of immunoglobulins (IgG), resulting in chimeric polypeptides. These fusion proteins facilitate purification and show an increased half-life in vivo. One reported example describes chimeric proteins consisting of the first two domains of the human CD4-
30 polypeptide and various domains of the constant regions of the heavy or light chains of mammalian immunoglobulins. (EP A 394,827; Traunecker et al., Nature 331:84-86 (1988).) Fusion proteins having disulfide-linked dimeric structures (due to the

IgG) can also be more efficient in binding and neutralizing other molecules, than the monomeric secreted protein or protein fragment alone. (Fountoulakis et al., J. Biochem. 270:3958-3964 (1995).)

Similarly, EP-A-O 464 533 (Canadian counterpart 2045869) discloses fusion
5 proteins comprising various portions of constant region of immunoglobulin molecules together with another human protein or part thereof. In many cases, the Fc part in a fusion protein is beneficial in therapy and diagnosis, and thus can result in, for example, improved pharmacokinetic properties. (EP-A 0232 262.) Alternatively, deleting the Fc part after the fusion protein has been expressed, detected, and purified,
10 would be desired. For example, the Fc portion may hinder therapy and diagnosis if the fusion protein is used as an antigen for immunizations. In drug discovery, for example, human proteins, such as hIL-5, have been fused with Fc portions for the purpose of high-throughput screening assays to identify antagonists of hIL-5. (See, D. Bennett et al., J. Molecular Recognition 8:52-58 (1995); K. Johanson et al., J. Biol.
15 Chem. 270:9459-9471 (1995).)

Moreover, the polypeptides of the present invention can be fused to marker sequences, such as a peptide which facilitates purification of the fused polypeptide. In preferred embodiments, the marker amino acid sequence is a hexa-histidine peptide, such as the tag provided in a pQE vector (QIAGEN, Inc., 9259 Eton Avenue,
20 Chatsworth, CA, 91311), among others, many of which are commercially available. As described in Gentz et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 86:821-824 (1989), for instance, hexa-histidine provides for convenient purification of the fusion protein. Another peptide tag useful for purification, the "HA" tag, corresponds to an epitope derived from the influenza hemagglutinin protein. (Wilson et al., Cell 37:767
25 (1984).)

Thus, any of these above fusions can be engineered using the polynucleotides or the polypeptides of the present invention.

Vectors, Host Cells, and Protein Production

30 The present invention also relates to vectors containing the polynucleotide of the present invention, host cells, and the production of polypeptides by recombinant techniques. The vector may be, for example, a phage, plasmid, viral, or retroviral

vector. Retroviral vectors may be replication competent or replication defective. In the latter case, viral propagation generally will occur only in complementing host cells.

5 The polynucleotides may be joined to a vector containing a selectable marker for propagation in a host. Generally, a plasmid vector is introduced in a precipitate, such as a calcium phosphate precipitate, or in a complex with a charged lipid. If the vector is a virus, it may be packaged in vitro using an appropriate packaging cell line and then transduced into host cells.

10 The polynucleotide insert should be operatively linked to an appropriate promoter, such as the phage lambda PL promoter, the E. coli lac, trp, phoA and tac promoters, the SV40 early and late promoters and promoters of retroviral LTRs, to name a few. Other suitable promoters will be known to the skilled artisan. The expression constructs will further contain sites for transcription initiation, termination, and, in the transcribed region, a ribosome binding site for translation. The coding
15 portion of the transcripts expressed by the constructs will preferably include a translation initiating codon at the beginning and a termination codon (UAA, UGA or UAG) appropriately positioned at the end of the polypeptide to be translated.

As indicated, the expression vectors will preferably include at least one selectable marker. Such markers include dihydrofolate reductase, G418 or neomycin
20 resistance for eukaryotic cell culture and tetracycline, kanamycin or ampicillin resistance genes for culturing in E. coli and other bacteria. Representative examples of appropriate hosts include, but are not limited to, bacterial cells, such as E. coli, Streptomyces and Salmonella typhimurium cells; fungal cells, such as yeast cells; insect cells such as Drosophila S2 and Spodoptera Sf9 cells; animal cells such as
25 CHO, COS, 293, and Bowes melanoma cells; and plant cells. Appropriate culture mediums and conditions for the above-described host cells are known in the art.

Among vectors preferred for use in bacteria include pQE70, pQE60 and pQE-
9, available from QIAGEN, Inc.; pBluescript vectors, Phagescript vectors, pNH8A, pNH16a, pNH18A, pNH46A, available from Stratagene Cloning Systems, Inc.; and
30 ptrc99a, pKK223-3, pKK233-3, pDR540, pRIT5 available from Pharmacia Biotech, Inc. Among preferred eukaryotic vectors are pWLNEO, pSV2CAT, pOG44, pXT1

and pSG available from Stratagene; and pSVK3, pBPV, pMSG and pSVL available from Pharmacia. Other suitable vectors will be readily apparent to the skilled artisan.

Introduction of the construct into the host cell can be effected by calcium phosphate transfection, DEAE-dextran mediated transfection, cationic lipid-mediated transfection, electroporation, transduction, infection, or other methods. Such methods
5 are described in many standard laboratory manuals, such as Davis et al., Basic Methods In Molecular Biology (1986). It is specifically contemplated that the polypeptides of the present invention may in fact be expressed by a host cell lacking a recombinant vector.

10 A polypeptide of this invention can be recovered and purified from recombinant cell cultures by well-known methods including ammonium sulfate or ethanol precipitation, acid extraction, anion or cation exchange chromatography, phosphocellulose chromatography, hydrophobic interaction chromatography, affinity chromatography, hydroxylapatite chromatography and lectin chromatography. Most
15 preferably, high performance liquid chromatography ("HPLC") is employed for purification.

Polypeptides of the present invention, and preferably the secreted form, can also be recovered from: products purified from natural sources, including bodily fluids, tissues and cells, whether directly isolated or cultured; products of chemical
20 synthetic procedures; and products produced by recombinant techniques from a prokaryotic or eukaryotic host, including, for example, bacterial, yeast, higher plant, insect, and mammalian cells. Depending upon the host employed in a recombinant production procedure, the polypeptides of the present invention may be glycosylated or may be non-glycosylated. In addition, polypeptides of the invention may also
25 include an initial modified methionine residue, in some cases as a result of host-mediated processes. Thus, it is well known in the art that the N-terminal methionine encoded by the translation initiation codon generally is removed with high efficiency from any protein after translation in all eukaryotic cells. While the N-terminal methionine on most proteins also is efficiently removed in most prokaryotes, for some
30 proteins, this prokaryotic removal process is inefficient, depending on the nature of the amino acid to which the N-terminal methionine is covalently linked.

In addition to encompassing host cells containing the vector constructs discussed herein, the invention also encompasses primary, secondary, and immortalized host cells of vertebrate origin, particularly mammalian origin, that have been engineered to delete or replace endogenous genetic material (e.g., coding
5 sequence), and/or to include genetic material (e.g., heterologous polynucleotide sequences) that is operably associated with the polynucleotides of the invention, and which activates, alters, and/or amplifies endogenous polynucleotides. For example, techniques known in the art may be used to operably associate heterologous control regions (e.g., promoter and/or enhancer) and endogenous polynucleotide sequences
10 via homologous recombination (see, e.g., U.S. Patent No. 5,641,670, issued June 24, 1997; International Publication No. WO 96/29411, published September 26, 1996; International Publication No. WO 94/12650, published August 4, 1994; Koller et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 86:8932-8935 (1989); and Zijlstra et al., Nature 342:435-438 (1989), the disclosures of each of which are incorporated by reference in their
15 entireties).

Uses of the Polynucleotides

Each of the polynucleotides identified herein can be used in numerous ways as
20 reagents. The following description should be considered exemplary and utilizes known techniques.

The polynucleotides of the present invention are useful for chromosome identification. There exists an ongoing need to identify new chromosome markers, since few chromosome marking reagents, based on actual sequence data (repeat
25 polymorphisms), are presently available. Each polynucleotide of the present invention can be used as a chromosome marker.

Briefly, sequences can be mapped to chromosomes by preparing PCR primers (preferably 15-25 bp) from the sequences shown in SEQ ID NO:X. Primers can be selected using computer analysis so that primers do not span more than one predicted
30 exon in the genomic DNA. These primers are then used for PCR screening of somatic cell hybrids containing individual human chromosomes. Only those hybrids

containing the human gene corresponding to the SEQ ID NO:X will yield an amplified fragment.

Similarly, somatic hybrids provide a rapid method of PCR mapping the polynucleotides to particular chromosomes. Three or more clones can be assigned per
5 day using a single thermal cycler. Moreover, sublocalization of the polynucleotides can be achieved with panels of specific chromosome fragments. Other gene mapping strategies that can be used include in situ hybridization, prescreening with labeled flow-sorted chromosomes, and preselection by hybridization to construct chromosome specific-cDNA libraries.

10 Precise chromosomal location of the polynucleotides can also be achieved using fluorescence in situ hybridization (FISH) of a metaphase chromosomal spread. This technique uses polynucleotides as short as 500 or 600 bases; however, polynucleotides 2,000-4,000 bp are preferred. For a review of this technique, see Verma et al., "Human Chromosomes: a Manual of Basic Techniques," Pergamon
15 Press, New York (1988).

For chromosome mapping, the polynucleotides can be used individually (to mark a single chromosome or a single site on that chromosome) or in panels (for marking multiple sites and/or multiple chromosomes). Preferred polynucleotides correspond to the noncoding regions of the cDNAs because the coding sequences are
20 more likely conserved within gene families, thus increasing the chance of cross hybridization during chromosomal mapping.

Once a polynucleotide has been mapped to a precise chromosomal location, the physical position of the polynucleotide can be used in linkage analysis. Linkage analysis establishes coinheritance between a chromosomal location and presentation
25 of a particular disease. (Disease mapping data are found, for example, in V. McKusick, Mendelian Inheritance in Man (available on line through Johns Hopkins University Welch Medical Library) .) Assuming 1 megabase mapping resolution and one gene per 20 kb, a cDNA precisely localized to a chromosomal region associated with the disease could be one of 50-500 potential causative genes.

30 Thus, once coinheritance is established, differences in the polynucleotide and the corresponding gene between affected and unaffected individuals can be examined. First, visible structural alterations in the chromosomes, such as deletions or

translocations, are examined in chromosome spreads or by PCR. If no structural alterations exist, the presence of point mutations are ascertained. Mutations observed in some or all affected individuals, but not in normal individuals, indicates that the mutation may cause the disease. However, complete sequencing of the polypeptide
5 and the corresponding gene from several normal individuals is required to distinguish the mutation from a polymorphism. If a new polymorphism is identified, this polymorphic polypeptide can be used for further linkage analysis.

Furthermore, increased or decreased expression of the gene in affected individuals as compared to unaffected individuals can be assessed using
10 polynucleotides of the present invention. Any of these alterations (altered expression, chromosomal rearrangement, or mutation) can be used as a diagnostic or prognostic marker.

In addition to the foregoing, a polynucleotide can be used to control gene expression through triple helix formation or antisense DNA or RNA. Both methods
15 rely on binding of the polynucleotide to DNA or RNA. For these techniques, preferred polynucleotides are usually 20 to 40 bases in length and complementary to either the region of the gene involved in transcription (triple helix - see Lee et al., Nucl. Acids Res. 6:3073 (1979); Cooney et al., Science 241:456 (1988); and Dervan et al., Science 251:1360 (1991)) or to the mRNA itself (antisense - Okano, J.
20 Neurochem. 56:560 (1991); Oligodeoxy-nucleotides as Antisense Inhibitors of Gene Expression, CRC Press, Boca Raton, FL (1988).) Triple helix formation optimally results in a shut-off of RNA transcription from DNA, while antisense RNA hybridization blocks translation of an mRNA molecule into polypeptide. Both techniques are effective in model systems, and the information disclosed herein can
25 be used to design antisense or triple helix polynucleotides in an effort to treat disease.

Polynucleotides of the present invention are also useful in gene therapy. One goal of gene therapy is to insert a normal gene into an organism having a defective gene, in an effort to correct the genetic defect. The polynucleotides disclosed in the present invention offer a means of targeting such genetic defects in a highly accurate
30 manner. Another goal is to insert a new gene that was not present in the host genome, thereby producing a new trait in the host cell.

The polynucleotides are also useful for identifying individuals from minute biological samples. The United States military, for example, is considering the use of restriction fragment length polymorphism (RFLP) for identification of its personnel. In this technique, an individual's genomic DNA is digested with one or more
5 restriction enzymes, and probed on a Southern blot to yield unique bands for identifying personnel. This method does not suffer from the current limitations of "Dog Tags" which can be lost, switched, or stolen, making positive identification difficult. The polynucleotides of the present invention can be used as additional DNA markers for RFLP.

10 The polynucleotides of the present invention can also be used as an alternative to RFLP, by determining the actual base-by-base DNA sequence of selected portions of an individual's genome. These sequences can be used to prepare PCR primers for amplifying and isolating such selected DNA, which can then be sequenced. Using this technique, individuals can be identified because each individual will have a
15 unique set of DNA sequences. Once an unique ID database is established for an individual, positive identification of that individual, living or dead, can be made from extremely small tissue samples.

Forensic biology also benefits from using DNA-based identification techniques as disclosed herein. DNA sequences taken from very small biological
20 samples such as tissues, e.g., hair or skin, or body fluids, e.g., blood, saliva, semen, etc., can be amplified using PCR. In one prior art technique, gene sequences amplified from polymorphic loci, such as DQa class II HLA gene, are used in forensic biology to identify individuals. (Erlich, H., PCR Technology, Freeman and Co. (1992).) Once these specific polymorphic loci are amplified, they are digested with
25 one or more restriction enzymes, yielding an identifying set of bands on a Southern blot probed with DNA corresponding to the DQa class II HLA gene. Similarly, polynucleotides of the present invention can be used as polymorphic markers for forensic purposes.

There is also a need for reagents capable of identifying the source of a
30 particular tissue. Such need arises, for example, in forensics when presented with tissue of unknown origin. Appropriate reagents can comprise, for example, DNA probes or primers specific to particular tissue prepared from the sequences of the

present invention. Panels of such reagents can identify tissue by species and/or by organ type. In a similar fashion, these reagents can be used to screen tissue cultures for contamination.

In the very least, the polynucleotides of the present invention can be used as
5 molecular weight markers on Southern gels, as diagnostic probes for the presence of a specific mRNA in a particular cell type, as a probe to "subtract-out" known sequences in the process of discovering novel polynucleotides, for selecting and making oligomers for attachment to a "gene chip" or other support, to raise anti-DNA antibodies using DNA immunization techniques, and as an antigen to elicit an
10 immune response.

Uses of the Polypeptides

Each of the polypeptides identified herein can be used in numerous ways. The following description should be considered exemplary and utilizes known techniques.

15 A polypeptide of the present invention can be used to assay protein levels in a biological sample using antibody-based techniques. For example, protein expression in tissues can be studied with classical immunohistological methods. (Jalkanen, M., et al., J. Cell. Biol. 101:976-985 (1985); Jalkanen, M., et al., J. Cell . Biol. 105:3087-3096 (1987).) Other antibody-based methods useful for detecting protein gene
20 expression include immunoassays, such as the enzyme linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) and the radioimmunoassay (RIA). Suitable antibody assay labels are known in the art and include enzyme labels, such as, glucose oxidase, and radioisotopes, such as iodine (125I, 121I), carbon (14C), sulfur (35S), tritium (3H), indium (112In), and technetium (99mTc), and fluorescent labels, such as fluorescein and rhodamine, and
25 biotin.

In addition to assaying secreted protein levels in a biological sample, proteins can also be detected in vivo by imaging. Antibody labels or markers for in vivo imaging of protein include those detectable by X-radiography, NMR or ESR. For X-radiography, suitable labels include radioisotopes such as barium or cesium, which
30 emit detectable radiation but are not overtly harmful to the subject. Suitable markers for NMR and ESR include those with a detectable characteristic spin, such as

deuterium, which may be incorporated into the antibody by labeling of nutrients for the relevant hybridoma.

A protein-specific antibody or antibody fragment which has been labeled with an appropriate detectable imaging moiety, such as a radioisotope (for example, ^{131}I , ^{112}In , $^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$), a radio-opaque substance, or a material detectable by nuclear magnetic resonance, is introduced (for example, parenterally, subcutaneously, or intraperitoneally) into the mammal. It will be understood in the art that the size of the subject and the imaging system used will determine the quantity of imaging moiety needed to produce diagnostic images. In the case of a radioisotope moiety, for a human subject, the quantity of radioactivity injected will normally range from about 5 to 20 millicuries of $^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$. The labeled antibody or antibody fragment will then preferentially accumulate at the location of cells which contain the specific protein. In vivo tumor imaging is described in S.W. Burchiel et al., "Immunopharmacokinetics of Radiolabeled Antibodies and Their Fragments." (Chapter 13 in Tumor Imaging: The Radiochemical Detection of Cancer, S.W. Burchiel and B. A. Rhodes, eds., Masson Publishing Inc. (1982).)

Thus, the invention provides a diagnostic method of a disorder, which involves (a) assaying the expression of a polypeptide of the present invention in cells or body fluid of an individual; (b) comparing the level of gene expression with a standard gene expression level, whereby an increase or decrease in the assayed polypeptide gene expression level compared to the standard expression level is indicative of a disorder.

Moreover, polypeptides of the present invention can be used to treat disease. For example, patients can be administered a polypeptide of the present invention in an effort to replace absent or decreased levels of the polypeptide (e.g., insulin), to supplement absent or decreased levels of a different polypeptide (e.g., hemoglobin S for hemoglobin B), to inhibit the activity of a polypeptide (e.g., an oncogene), to activate the activity of a polypeptide (e.g., by binding to a receptor), to reduce the activity of a membrane bound receptor by competing with it for free ligand (e.g., soluble TNF receptors used in reducing inflammation), or to bring about a desired response (e.g., blood vessel growth).

Similarly, antibodies directed to a polypeptide of the present invention can also be used to treat disease. For example, administration of an antibody directed to a polypeptide of the present invention can bind and reduce overproduction of the polypeptide. Similarly, administration of an antibody can activate the polypeptide,
5 such as by binding to a polypeptide bound to a membrane (receptor).

At the very least, the polypeptides of the present invention can be used as molecular weight markers on SDS-PAGE gels or on molecular sieve gel filtration columns using methods well known to those of skill in the art. Polypeptides can also be used to raise antibodies, which in turn are used to measure protein expression from
10 a recombinant cell, as a way of assessing transformation of the host cell. Moreover, the polypeptides of the present invention can be used to test the following biological activities.

Biological Activities

15 The polynucleotides and polypeptides of the present invention can be used in assays to test for one or more biological activities. If these polynucleotides and polypeptides do exhibit activity in a particular assay, it is likely that these molecules may be involved in the diseases associated with the biological activity. Thus, the polynucleotides and polypeptides could be used to treat the associated disease.
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Immune Activity

A polypeptide or polynucleotide of the present invention may be useful in treating deficiencies or disorders of the immune system, by activating or inhibiting the proliferation, differentiation, or mobilization (chemotaxis) of immune cells. Immune
25 cells develop through a process called hematopoiesis, producing myeloid (platelets, red blood cells, neutrophils, and macrophages) and lymphoid (B and T lymphocytes) cells from pluripotent stem cells. The etiology of these immune deficiencies or disorders may be genetic, somatic, such as cancer or some autoimmune disorders, acquired (e.g., by chemotherapy or toxins), or infectious. Moreover, a polynucleotide
30 or polypeptide of the present invention can be used as a marker or detector of a particular immune system disease or disorder.

A polynucleotide or polypeptide of the present invention may be useful in treating or detecting deficiencies or disorders of hematopoietic cells. A polypeptide or polynucleotide of the present invention could be used to increase differentiation and proliferation of hematopoietic cells, including the pluripotent stem cells, in an effort to treat those disorders associated with a decrease in certain (or many) types hematopoietic cells. Examples of immunologic deficiency syndromes include, but are not limited to: blood protein disorders (e.g. agammaglobulinemia, dysgammaglobulinemia), ataxia telangiectasia, common variable immunodeficiency, Digeorge Syndrome, HIV infection, HTLV-BLV infection, leukocyte adhesion deficiency syndrome, lymphopenia, phagocyte bactericidal dysfunction, severe combined immunodeficiency (SCIDs), Wiskott-Aldrich Disorder, anemia, thrombocytopenia, or hemoglobinuria.

Moreover, a polypeptide or polynucleotide of the present invention could also be used to modulate hemostatic (the stopping of bleeding) or thrombolytic activity (clot formation). For example, by increasing hemostatic or thrombolytic activity, a polynucleotide or polypeptide of the present invention could be used to treat blood coagulation disorders (e.g., afibrinogenemia, factor deficiencies), blood platelet disorders (e.g. thrombocytopenia), or wounds resulting from trauma, surgery, or other causes. Alternatively, a polynucleotide or polypeptide of the present invention that can decrease hemostatic or thrombolytic activity could be used to inhibit or dissolve clotting. These molecules could be important in the treatment of heart attacks (infarction), strokes, or scarring.

A polynucleotide or polypeptide of the present invention may also be useful in treating or detecting autoimmune disorders. Many autoimmune disorders result from inappropriate recognition of self as foreign material by immune cells. This inappropriate recognition results in an immune response leading to the destruction of the host tissue. Therefore, the administration of a polypeptide or polynucleotide of the present invention that inhibits an immune response, particularly the proliferation, differentiation, or chemotaxis of T-cells, may be an effective therapy in preventing autoimmune disorders.

Examples of autoimmune disorders that can be treated or detected by the present invention include, but are not limited to: Addison's Disease, hemolytic

anemia, antiphospholipid syndrome, rheumatoid arthritis, dermatitis, allergic encephalomyelitis, glomerulonephritis, Goodpasture's Syndrome, Graves' Disease, Multiple Sclerosis, Myasthenia Gravis, Neuritis, Ophthalmia, Bullous Pemphigoid, Pemphigus, Polyendocrinopathies, Purpura, Reiter's Disease, Stiff-Man Syndrome, 5 Autoimmune Thyroiditis, Systemic Lupus Erythematosus, Autoimmune Pulmonary Inflammation, Guillain-Barre Syndrome, insulin dependent diabetes mellitus, and autoimmune inflammatory eye disease.

Similarly, allergic reactions and conditions, such as asthma (particularly allergic asthma) or other respiratory problems, may also be treated by a polypeptide 10 or polynucleotide of the present invention. Moreover, these molecules can be used to treat anaphylaxis, hypersensitivity to an antigenic molecule, or blood group incompatibility.

A polynucleotide or polypeptide of the present invention may also be used to treat and/or prevent organ rejection or graft-versus-host disease (GVHD). Organ 15 rejection occurs by host immune cell destruction of the transplanted tissue through an immune response. Similarly, an immune response is also involved in GVHD, but, in this case, the foreign transplanted immune cells destroy the host tissues. The administration of a polypeptide or polynucleotide of the present invention that inhibits an immune response, particularly the proliferation, differentiation, or chemotaxis of 20 T-cells, may be an effective therapy in preventing organ rejection or GVHD.

Similarly, a polypeptide or polynucleotide of the present invention may also be used to modulate inflammation. For example, the polypeptide or polynucleotide may inhibit the proliferation and differentiation of cells involved in an inflammatory response. These molecules can be used to treat inflammatory conditions, both chronic 25 and acute conditions, including inflammation associated with infection (e.g., septic shock, sepsis, or systemic inflammatory response syndrome (SIRS)), ischemia-reperfusion injury, endotoxin lethality, arthritis, complement-mediated hyperacute rejection, nephritis, cytokine or chemokine induced lung injury, inflammatory bowel disease, Crohn's disease, or resulting from over production of cytokines (e.g., TNF or 30 IL-1.)

Hyperproliferative Disorders

A polypeptide or polynucleotide can be used to treat or detect hyperproliferative disorders, including neoplasms. A polypeptide or polynucleotide of the present invention may inhibit the proliferation of the disorder through direct or indirect interactions. Alternatively, a polypeptide or polynucleotide of the present invention may proliferate other cells which can inhibit the hyperproliferative disorder.

For example, by increasing an immune response, particularly increasing antigenic qualities of the hyperproliferative disorder or by proliferating, differentiating, or mobilizing T-cells, hyperproliferative disorders can be treated. This immune response may be increased by either enhancing an existing immune response, or by initiating a new immune response. Alternatively, decreasing an immune response may also be a method of treating hyperproliferative disorders, such as a chemotherapeutic agent.

Examples of hyperproliferative disorders that can be treated or detected by a polynucleotide or polypeptide of the present invention include, but are not limited to neoplasms located in the: abdomen, bone, breast, digestive system, liver, pancreas, peritoneum, endocrine glands (adrenal, parathyroid, pituitary, testicles, ovary, thymus, thyroid), eye, head and neck, nervous (central and peripheral), lymphatic system, pelvic, skin, soft tissue, spleen, thoracic, and urogenital.

Similarly, other hyperproliferative disorders can also be treated or detected by a polynucleotide or polypeptide of the present invention. Examples of such hyperproliferative disorders include, but are not limited to: hypergammaglobulinemia, lymphoproliferative disorders, paraproteinemias, purpura, sarcoidosis, Sezary Syndrome, Waldenström's Macroglobulinemia, Gaucher's Disease, histiocytosis, and any other hyperproliferative disease, besides neoplasia, located in an organ system listed above.

Infectious Disease

A polypeptide or polynucleotide of the present invention can be used to treat or detect infectious agents. For example, by increasing the immune response, particularly increasing the proliferation and differentiation of B and/or T cells, infectious diseases may be treated. The immune response may be increased by either enhancing an existing immune response, or by initiating a new immune response.

Alternatively, the polypeptide or polynucleotide of the present invention may also directly inhibit the infectious agent, without necessarily eliciting an immune response.

Viruses are one example of an infectious agent that can cause disease or symptoms that can be treated or detected by a polynucleotide or polypeptide of the present invention. Examples of viruses, include, but are not limited to the following DNA and RNA viral families: Arbovirus, Adenoviridae, Arenaviridae, Arterivirus, Birnaviridae, Bunyaviridae, Caliciviridae, Circoviridae, Coronaviridae, Flaviviridae, Hepadnaviridae (Hepatitis), Herpesviridae (such as, Cytomegalovirus, Herpes Simplex, Herpes Zoster), Mononegavirus (e.g., Paramyxoviridae, Morbillivirus, Rhabdoviridae), Orthomyxoviridae (e.g., Influenza), Papovaviridae, Parvoviridae, Picornaviridae, Poxviridae (such as Smallpox or Vaccinia), Reoviridae (e.g., Rotavirus), Retroviridae (HTLV-I, HTLV-II, Lentivirus), and Togaviridae (e.g., Rubivirus). Viruses falling within these families can cause a variety of diseases or symptoms, including, but not limited to: arthritis, bronchiollitis, encephalitis, eye infections (e.g., conjunctivitis, keratitis), chronic fatigue syndrome, hepatitis (A, B, C, E, Chronic Active, Delta), meningitis, opportunistic infections (e.g., AIDS), pneumonia, Burkitt's Lymphoma, chickenpox, hemorrhagic fever, Measles, Mumps, Parainfluenza, Rabies, the common cold, Polio, leukemia, Rubella, sexually transmitted diseases, skin diseases (e.g., Kaposi's, warts), and viremia. A polypeptide or polynucleotide of the present invention can be used to treat or detect any of these symptoms or diseases.

Similarly, bacterial or fungal agents that can cause disease or symptoms and that can be treated or detected by a polynucleotide or polypeptide of the present invention include, but not limited to, the following Gram-Negative and Gram-positive bacterial families and fungi: Actinomycetales (e.g., Corynebacterium, Mycobacterium, Norcardia), Aspergillosis, Bacillaceae (e.g., Anthrax, Clostridium), Bacteroidaceae, Blastomycosis, Bordetella, Borrelia, Brucellosis, Candidiasis, Campylobacter, Coccidioidomycosis, Cryptococcosis, Dermatocycoses, Enterobacteriaceae (Klebsiella, Salmonella, Serratia, Yersinia), Erysipelothrix, Helicobacter, Legionellosis, Leptospirosis, Listeria, Mycoplasmatales, Neisseriaceae (e.g., Acinetobacter, Gonorrhea, Meningococcal), Pasteurellacea Infections (e.g., Actinobacillus, Heamophilus, Pasteurella), Pseudomonas, Rickettsiaceae,

Chlamydiaceae, Syphilis, and Staphylococcal. These bacterial or fungal families can cause the following diseases or symptoms, including, but not limited to: bacteremia, endocarditis, eye infections (conjunctivitis, tuberculosis, uveitis), gingivitis, opportunistic infections (e.g., AIDS related infections), paronychia, prosthesis-related infections, Reiter's Disease, respiratory tract infections, such as Whooping Cough or Empyema, sepsis, Lyme Disease, Cat-Scratch Disease, Dysentery, Paratyphoid Fever, food poisoning, Typhoid, pneumonia, Gonorrhea, meningitis, Chlamydia, Syphilis, Diphtheria, Leprosy, Paratuberculosis, Tuberculosis, Lupus, Botulism, gangrene, tetanus, impetigo, Rheumatic Fever, Scarlet Fever, sexually transmitted diseases, skin diseases (e.g., cellulitis, dermatocycoses), toxemia, urinary tract infections, wound infections. A polypeptide or polynucleotide of the present invention can be used to treat or detect any of these symptoms or diseases.

Moreover, parasitic agents causing disease or symptoms that can be treated or detected by a polynucleotide or polypeptide of the present invention include, but not limited to, the following families: Amebiasis, Babesiosis, Coccidiosis, Cryptosporidiosis, Dientamoebiasis, Dourine, Ectoparasitic, Giardiasis, Helminthiasis, Leishmaniasis, Theileriasis, Toxoplasmosis, Trypanosomiasis, and Trichomonas. These parasites can cause a variety of diseases or symptoms, including, but not limited to: Scabies, Trombiculiasis, eye infections, intestinal disease (e.g., dysentery, giardiasis), liver disease, lung disease, opportunistic infections (e.g., AIDS related), Malaria, pregnancy complications, and toxoplasmosis. A polypeptide or polynucleotide of the present invention can be used to treat or detect any of these symptoms or diseases.

Preferably, treatment using a polypeptide or polynucleotide of the present invention could either be by administering an effective amount of a polypeptide to the patient, or by removing cells from the patient, supplying the cells with a polynucleotide of the present invention, and returning the engineered cells to the patient (ex vivo therapy). Moreover, the polypeptide or polynucleotide of the present invention can be used as an antigen in a vaccine to raise an immune response against infectious disease.

Regeneration

A polynucleotide or polypeptide of the present invention can be used to differentiate, proliferate, and attract cells, leading to the regeneration of tissues. (See, Science 276:59-87 (1997).) The regeneration of tissues could be used to repair, replace, or protect tissue damaged by congenital defects, trauma (wounds, burns, incisions, or ulcers), age, disease (e.g. osteoporosis, osteoarthritis, periodontal disease, liver failure), surgery, including cosmetic plastic surgery, fibrosis, reperfusion injury, or systemic cytokine damage.

Tissues that could be regenerated using the present invention include organs (e.g., pancreas, liver, intestine, kidney, skin, endothelium), muscle (smooth, skeletal or cardiac), vasculature (including vascular and lymphatics), nervous, hematopoietic, and skeletal (bone, cartilage, tendon, and ligament) tissue. Preferably, regeneration occurs without or decreased scarring. Regeneration also may include angiogenesis.

Moreover, a polynucleotide or polypeptide of the present invention may increase regeneration of tissues difficult to heal. For example, increased tendon/ligament regeneration would quicken recovery time after damage. A polynucleotide or polypeptide of the present invention could also be used prophylactically in an effort to avoid damage. Specific diseases that could be treated include tendinitis, carpal tunnel syndrome, and other tendon or ligament defects. A further example of tissue regeneration of non-healing wounds includes pressure ulcers, ulcers associated with vascular insufficiency, surgical, and traumatic wounds.

Similarly, nerve and brain tissue could also be regenerated by using a polynucleotide or polypeptide of the present invention to proliferate and differentiate nerve cells. Diseases that could be treated using this method include central and peripheral nervous system diseases, neuropathies, or mechanical and traumatic disorders (e.g., spinal cord disorders, head trauma, cerebrovascular disease, and stroke). Specifically, diseases associated with peripheral nerve injuries, peripheral neuropathy (e.g., resulting from chemotherapy or other medical therapies), localized neuropathies, and central nervous system diseases (e.g., Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, Huntington's disease, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, and Shy-Drager syndrome), could all be treated using the polynucleotide or polypeptide of the present invention.

Chemotaxis

A polynucleotide or polypeptide of the present invention may have chemotaxis activity. A chemotactic molecule attracts or mobilizes cells (e.g., monocytes, fibroblasts, neutrophils, T-cells, mast cells, eosinophils, epithelial and/or endothelial cells) to a particular site in the body, such as inflammation, infection, or site of hyperproliferation. The mobilized cells can then fight off and/or heal the particular trauma or abnormality.

A polynucleotide or polypeptide of the present invention may increase chemotactic activity of particular cells. These chemotactic molecules can then be used to treat inflammation, infection, hyperproliferative disorders, or any immune system disorder by increasing the number of cells targeted to a particular location in the body. For example, chemotactic molecules can be used to treat wounds and other trauma to tissues by attracting immune cells to the injured location. Chemotactic molecules of the present invention can also attract fibroblasts, which can be used to treat wounds.

It is also contemplated that a polynucleotide or polypeptide of the present invention may inhibit chemotactic activity. These molecules could also be used to treat disorders. Thus, a polynucleotide or polypeptide of the present invention could be used as an inhibitor of chemotaxis.

Binding Activity

A polypeptide of the present invention may be used to screen for molecules that bind to the polypeptide or for molecules to which the polypeptide binds. The binding of the polypeptide and the molecule may activate (agonist), increase, inhibit (antagonist), or decrease activity of the polypeptide or the molecule bound. Examples of such molecules include antibodies, oligonucleotides, proteins (e.g., receptors), or small molecules.

Preferably, the molecule is closely related to the natural ligand of the polypeptide, e.g., a fragment of the ligand, or a natural substrate, a ligand, a structural or functional mimetic. (See, Coligan et al., Current Protocols in Immunology 1(2):Chapter 5 (1991).) Similarly, the molecule can be closely related to the natural receptor to which the polypeptide binds, or at least, a fragment of the receptor capable

of being bound by the polypeptide (e.g., active site). In either case, the molecule can be rationally designed using known techniques.

Preferably, the screening for these molecules involves producing appropriate cells which express the polypeptide, either as a secreted protein or on the cell
5 membrane. Preferred cells include cells from mammals, yeast, *Drosophila*, or *E. coli*. Cells expressing the polypeptide (or cell membrane containing the expressed polypeptide) are then preferably contacted with a test compound potentially containing the molecule to observe binding, stimulation, or inhibition of activity of either the polypeptide or the molecule.

10 The assay may simply test binding of a candidate compound to the polypeptide, wherein binding is detected by a label, or in an assay involving competition with a labeled competitor. Further, the assay may test whether the candidate compound results in a signal generated by binding to the polypeptide.

Alternatively, the assay can be carried out using cell-free preparations,
15 polypeptide/molecule affixed to a solid support, chemical libraries, or natural product mixtures. The assay may also simply comprise the steps of mixing a candidate compound with a solution containing a polypeptide, measuring polypeptide/molecule activity or binding, and comparing the polypeptide/molecule activity or binding to a standard.

20 Preferably, an ELISA assay can measure polypeptide level or activity in a sample (e.g., biological sample) using a monoclonal or polyclonal antibody. The antibody can measure polypeptide level or activity by either binding, directly or indirectly, to the polypeptide or by competing with the polypeptide for a substrate.

All of these above assays can be used as diagnostic or prognostic markers.
25 The molecules discovered using these assays can be used to treat disease or to bring about a particular result in a patient (e.g., blood vessel growth) by activating or inhibiting the polypeptide/molecule. Moreover, the assays can discover agents which may inhibit or enhance the production of the polypeptide from suitably manipulated cells or tissues.

30 Therefore, the invention includes a method of identifying compounds which bind to a polypeptide of the invention comprising the steps of: (a) incubating a

candidate binding compound with a polypeptide of the invention; and (b) determining if binding has occurred. Moreover, the invention includes a method of identifying agonists/antagonists comprising the steps of: (a) incubating a candidate compound with a polypeptide of the invention, (b) assaying a biological activity, and (b) determining if a biological activity of the polypeptide has been altered.

Other Activities

A polypeptide or polynucleotide of the present invention may also increase or decrease the differentiation or proliferation of embryonic stem cells, besides, as discussed above, hematopoietic lineage.

A polypeptide or polynucleotide of the present invention may also be used to modulate mammalian characteristics, such as body height, weight, hair color, eye color, skin, percentage of adipose tissue, pigmentation, size, and shape (e.g., cosmetic surgery). Similarly, a polypeptide or polynucleotide of the present invention may be used to modulate mammalian metabolism affecting catabolism, anabolism, processing, utilization, and storage of energy.

A polypeptide or polynucleotide of the present invention may be used to change a mammal's mental state or physical state by influencing biorhythms, cardiac rhythms, depression (including depressive disorders), tendency for violence, tolerance for pain, reproductive capabilities (preferably by Activin or Inhibin-like activity), hormonal or endocrine levels, appetite, libido, memory, stress, or other cognitive qualities.

A polypeptide or polynucleotide of the present invention may also be used as a food additive or preservative, such as to increase or decrease storage capabilities, fat content, lipid, protein, carbohydrate, vitamins, minerals, cofactors or other nutritional components.

Other Preferred Embodiments

Other preferred embodiments of the claimed invention include an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence which is at least 95%

identical to a sequence of at least about 50 contiguous nucleotides in the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:X wherein X is any integer as defined in Table 1.

Also preferred is a nucleic acid molecule wherein said sequence of contiguous nucleotides is included in the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:X in the range of
5 positions beginning with the nucleotide at about the position of the 5' Nucleotide of the Clone Sequence and ending with the nucleotide at about the position of the 3' Nucleotide of the Clone Sequence as defined for SEQ ID NO:X in Table 1.

Also preferred is a nucleic acid molecule wherein said sequence of contiguous nucleotides is included in the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:X in the range of
10 positions beginning with the nucleotide at about the position of the 5' Nucleotide of the Start Codon and ending with the nucleotide at about the position of the 3' Nucleotide of the Clone Sequence as defined for SEQ ID NO:X in Table 1.

Similarly preferred is a nucleic acid molecule wherein said sequence of contiguous nucleotides is included in the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:X in the
15 range of positions beginning with the nucleotide at about the position of the 5' Nucleotide of the First Amino Acid of the Signal Peptide and ending with the nucleotide at about the position of the 3' Nucleotide of the Clone Sequence as defined for SEQ ID NO:X in Table 1.

Also preferred is an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide
20 sequence which is at least 95% identical to a sequence of at least about 150 contiguous nucleotides in the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:X.

Further preferred is an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence which is at least 95% identical to a sequence of at least about 500 contiguous nucleotides in the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:X.

25 A further preferred embodiment is a nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence which is at least 95% identical to the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:X beginning with the nucleotide at about the position of the 5' Nucleotide of the First Amino Acid of the Signal Peptide and ending with the nucleotide at about the position of the 3' Nucleotide of the Clone Sequence as defined for SEQ ID NO:X
30 in Table 1.

A further preferred embodiment is an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence which is at least 95% identical to the complete nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:X.

Also preferred is an isolated nucleic acid molecule which hybridizes under
5 stringent hybridization conditions to a nucleic acid molecule, wherein said nucleic acid molecule which hybridizes does not hybridize under stringent hybridization conditions to a nucleic acid molecule having a nucleotide sequence consisting of only A residues or of only T residues.

Also preferred is a composition of matter comprising a DNA molecule which
10 comprises a human cDNA clone identified by a cDNA Clone Identifier in Table 1, which DNA molecule is contained in the material deposited with the American Type Culture Collection and given the ATCC Deposit Number shown in Table 1 for said cDNA Clone Identifier.

Also preferred is an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide
15 sequence which is at least 95% identical to a sequence of at least 50 contiguous nucleotides in the nucleotide sequence of a human cDNA clone identified by a cDNA Clone Identifier in Table 1, which DNA molecule is contained in the deposit given the ATCC Deposit Number shown in Table 1.

Also preferred is an isolated nucleic acid molecule, wherein said sequence of
20 at least 50 contiguous nucleotides is included in the nucleotide sequence of the complete open reading frame sequence encoded by said human cDNA clone.

Also preferred is an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence which is at least 95% identical to sequence of at least 150 contiguous nucleotides in the nucleotide sequence encoded by said human cDNA clone.

25 A further preferred embodiment is an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence which is at least 95% identical to sequence of at least 500 contiguous nucleotides in the nucleotide sequence encoded by said human cDNA clone.

A further preferred embodiment is an isolated nucleic acid molecule
30 comprising a nucleotide sequence which is at least 95% identical to the complete nucleotide sequence encoded by said human cDNA clone.

A further preferred embodiment is a method for detecting in a biological sample a nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence which is at least 95% identical to a sequence of at least 50 contiguous nucleotides in a sequence selected from the group consisting of: a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:X
5 wherein X is any integer as defined in Table 1; and a nucleotide sequence encoded by a human cDNA clone identified by a cDNA Clone Identifier in Table 1 and contained in the deposit with the ATCC Deposit Number shown for said cDNA clone in Table 1; which method comprises a step of comparing a nucleotide sequence of at least one nucleic acid molecule in said sample with a sequence selected from said group and
10 determining whether the sequence of said nucleic acid molecule in said sample is at least 95% identical to said selected sequence.

Also preferred is the above method wherein said step of comparing sequences comprises determining the extent of nucleic acid hybridization between nucleic acid molecules in said sample and a nucleic acid molecule comprising said sequence
15 selected from said group. Similarly, also preferred is the above method wherein said step of comparing sequences is performed by comparing the nucleotide sequence determined from a nucleic acid molecule in said sample with said sequence selected from said group. The nucleic acid molecules can comprise DNA molecules or RNA molecules.

20 A further preferred embodiment is a method for identifying the species, tissue or cell type of a biological sample which method comprises a step of detecting nucleic acid molecules in said sample, if any, comprising a nucleotide sequence that is at least 95% identical to a sequence of at least 50 contiguous nucleotides in a sequence selected from the group consisting of: a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:X
25 wherein X is any integer as defined in Table 1; and a nucleotide sequence encoded by a human cDNA clone identified by a cDNA Clone Identifier in Table 1 and contained in the deposit with the ATCC Deposit Number shown for said cDNA clone in Table 1.

The method for identifying the species, tissue or cell type of a biological
30 sample can comprise a step of detecting nucleic acid molecules comprising a nucleotide sequence in a panel of at least two nucleotide sequences, wherein at least

one sequence in said panel is at least 95% identical to a sequence of at least 50 contiguous nucleotides in a sequence selected from said group.

Also preferred is a method for diagnosing in a subject a pathological condition associated with abnormal structure or expression of a gene encoding a secreted
5 protein identified in Table 1, which method comprises a step of detecting in a biological sample obtained from said subject nucleic acid molecules, if any, comprising a nucleotide sequence that is at least 95% identical to a sequence of at least 50 contiguous nucleotides in a sequence selected from the group consisting of: a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:X wherein X is any integer as defined in Table 1;
10 and a nucleotide sequence encoded by a human cDNA clone identified by a cDNA Clone Identifier in Table 1 and contained in the deposit with the ATCC Deposit Number shown for said cDNA clone in Table 1.

The method for diagnosing a pathological condition can comprise a step of detecting nucleic acid molecules comprising a nucleotide sequence in a panel of at
15 least two nucleotide sequences, wherein at least one sequence in said panel is at least 95% identical to a sequence of at least 50 contiguous nucleotides in a sequence selected from said group.

Also preferred is a composition of matter comprising isolated nucleic acid molecules wherein the nucleotide sequences of said nucleic acid molecules comprise
20 a panel of at least two nucleotide sequences, wherein at least one sequence in said panel is at least 95% identical to a sequence of at least 50 contiguous nucleotides in a sequence selected from the group consisting of: a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:X wherein X is any integer as defined in Table 1; and a nucleotide sequence encoded by a human cDNA clone identified by a cDNA Clone Identifier in Table 1
25 and contained in the deposit with the ATCC Deposit Number shown for said cDNA clone in Table 1. The nucleic acid molecules can comprise DNA molecules or RNA molecules.

Also preferred is an isolated polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence at least 90% identical to a sequence of at least about 10 contiguous amino acids in the
30 amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:Y wherein Y is any integer as defined in Table 1.

Also preferred is a polypeptide, wherein said sequence of contiguous amino acids is included in the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:Y in the range of

positions beginning with the residue at about the position of the First Amino Acid of the Secreted Portion and ending with the residue at about the Last Amino Acid of the Open Reading Frame as set forth for SEQ ID NO:Y in Table 1.

Also preferred is an isolated polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence
5 at least 95% identical to a sequence of at least about 30 contiguous amino acids in the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:Y.

Further preferred is an isolated polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence at least 95% identical to a sequence of at least about 100 contiguous amino acids in the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:Y.

10 Further preferred is an isolated polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence at least 95% identical to the complete amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:Y.

Further preferred is an isolated polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence at least 90% identical to a sequence of at least about 10 contiguous amino
15 acids in the complete amino acid sequence of a secreted protein encoded by a human cDNA clone identified by a cDNA Clone Identifier in Table 1 and contained in the deposit with the ATCC Deposit Number shown for said cDNA clone in Table 1.

Also preferred is a polypeptide wherein said sequence of contiguous amino acids is included in the amino acid sequence of a secreted portion of the secreted
20 protein encoded by a human cDNA clone identified by a cDNA Clone Identifier in Table 1 and contained in the deposit with the ATCC Deposit Number shown for said cDNA clone in Table 1.

Also preferred is an isolated polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence at least 95% identical to a sequence of at least about 30 contiguous amino acids in the
25 amino acid sequence of the secreted portion of the protein encoded by a human cDNA clone identified by a cDNA Clone Identifier in Table 1 and contained in the deposit with the ATCC Deposit Number shown for said cDNA clone in Table 1.

Also preferred is an isolated polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence at least 95% identical to a sequence of at least about 100 contiguous amino acids in
30 the amino acid sequence of the secreted portion of the protein encoded by a human cDNA clone identified by a cDNA Clone Identifier in Table 1 and contained in the deposit with the ATCC Deposit Number shown for said cDNA clone in Table 1.

Also preferred is an isolated polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence at least 95% identical to the amino acid sequence of the secreted portion of the protein encoded by a human cDNA clone identified by a cDNA Clone Identifier in Table 1 and contained in the deposit with the ATCC Deposit Number shown for said cDNA clone in Table 1.

Further preferred is an isolated antibody which binds specifically to a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence that is at least 90% identical to a sequence of at least 10 contiguous amino acids in a sequence selected from the group consisting of: an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:Y wherein Y is any integer as defined in Table 1; and a complete amino acid sequence of a protein encoded by a human cDNA clone identified by a cDNA Clone Identifier in Table 1 and contained in the deposit with the ATCC Deposit Number shown for said cDNA clone in Table 1.

Further preferred is a method for detecting in a biological sample a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence which is at least 90% identical to a sequence of at least 10 contiguous amino acids in a sequence selected from the group consisting of: an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:Y wherein Y is any integer as defined in Table 1; and a complete amino acid sequence of a protein encoded by a human cDNA clone identified by a cDNA Clone Identifier in Table 1 and contained in the deposit with the ATCC Deposit Number shown for said cDNA clone in Table 1; which method comprises a step of comparing an amino acid sequence of at least one polypeptide molecule in said sample with a sequence selected from said group and determining whether the sequence of said polypeptide molecule in said sample is at least 90% identical to said sequence of at least 10 contiguous amino acids.

Also preferred is the above method wherein said step of comparing an amino acid sequence of at least one polypeptide molecule in said sample with a sequence selected from said group comprises determining the extent of specific binding of polypeptides in said sample to an antibody which binds specifically to a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence that is at least 90% identical to a sequence of at least 10 contiguous amino acids in a sequence selected from the group consisting of: an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:Y wherein Y is any integer as defined in Table 1; and a complete amino acid sequence of a protein encoded by a human cDNA

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What Is Claimed Is:

1. An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a polynucleotide having a nucleotide sequence at least 95% identical to a sequence selected from the group
5 consisting of:
 - (a) a polynucleotide fragment of SEQ ID NO:X or a polynucleotide fragment of the cDNA sequence included in ATCC Deposit No:Z, which is hybridizable to SEQ ID NO:X;
 - (b) a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide fragment of SEQ ID NO:Y or a
10 polypeptide fragment encoded by the cDNA sequence included in ATCC Deposit No:Z, which is hybridizable to SEQ ID NO:X;
 - (c) a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide domain of SEQ ID NO:Y or a polypeptide domain encoded by the cDNA sequence included in ATCC Deposit No:Z, which is hybridizable to SEQ ID NO:X;
 - 15 (d) a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide epitope of SEQ ID NO:Y or a polypeptide epitope encoded by the cDNA sequence included in ATCC Deposit No:Z, which is hybridizable to SEQ ID NO:X;
 - (e) a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:Y or the cDNA sequence included in ATCC Deposit No:Z, which is hybridizable to SEQ ID NO:X,
20 having biological activity;
 - (f) a polynucleotide which is a variant of SEQ ID NO:X;
 - (g) a polynucleotide which is an allelic variant of SEQ ID NO:X;
 - (h) a polynucleotide which encodes a species homologue of the SEQ ID NO:Y;
 - 25 (i) a polynucleotide capable of hybridizing under stringent conditions to any one of the polynucleotides specified in (a)-(h), wherein said polynucleotide does not hybridize under stringent conditions to a nucleic acid molecule having a nucleotide sequence of only A residues or of only T residues.

2. The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 1, wherein the polynucleotide fragment comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding a secreted protein.

5 3. The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 1, wherein the polynucleotide fragment comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding the sequence identified as SEQ ID NO:Y or the polypeptide encoded by the cDNA sequence included in ATCC Deposit No:Z, which is hybridizable to SEQ ID NO:X.

10 4. The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 1, wherein the polynucleotide fragment comprises the entire nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:X or the cDNA sequence included in ATCC Deposit No:Z, which is hybridizable to SEQ ID NO:X.

15 5. The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 2, wherein the nucleotide sequence comprises sequential nucleotide deletions from either the C-terminus or the N-terminus.

20 6. The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 3, wherein the nucleotide sequence comprises sequential nucleotide deletions from either the C-terminus or the N-terminus.

25 7. A recombinant vector comprising the isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 1.

8. A method of making a recombinant host cell comprising the isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 1.

30 9. A recombinant host cell produced by the method of claim 8.

10. The recombinant host cell of claim 9 comprising vector sequences.

11. An isolated polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence at least 95% identical to a sequence selected from the group consisting of:

(a) a polypeptide fragment of SEQ ID NO:Y or the encoded sequence included in ATCC Deposit No:Z;

5 (b) a polypeptide fragment of SEQ ID NO:Y or the encoded sequence included in ATCC Deposit No:Z, having biological activity;

(c) a polypeptide domain of SEQ ID NO:Y or the encoded sequence included in ATCC Deposit No:Z;

10 (d) a polypeptide epitope of SEQ ID NO:Y or the encoded sequence included in ATCC Deposit No:Z;

(e) a secreted form of SEQ ID NO:Y or the encoded sequence included in ATCC Deposit No:Z;

(f) a full length protein of SEQ ID NO:Y or the encoded sequence included in ATCC Deposit No:Z;

15 (g) a variant of SEQ ID NO:Y;

(h) an allelic variant of SEQ ID NO:Y; or

(i) a species homologue of the SEQ ID NO:Y.

20 12. The isolated polypeptide of claim 11, wherein the secreted form or the full length protein comprises sequential amino acid deletions from either the C-terminus or the N-terminus.

13. An isolated antibody that binds specifically to the isolated polypeptide of claim 11.

25 14. A recombinant host cell that expresses the isolated polypeptide of claim 11.

15. A method of making an isolated polypeptide comprising:

30 (a) culturing the recombinant host cell of claim 14 under conditions such that said polypeptide is expressed; and

(b) recovering said polypeptide.

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16. The polypeptide produced by claim 15.

17. A method for preventing, treating, or ameliorating a medical condition, comprising administering to a mammalian subject a therapeutically effective amount
5 of the polypeptide of claim 11 or the polynucleotide of claim 1.

18. A method of diagnosing a pathological condition or a susceptibility to a pathological condition in a subject comprising:

(a) determining the presence or absence of a mutation in the polynucleotide of
10 claim 1; and

(b) diagnosing a pathological condition or a susceptibility to a pathological condition based on the presence or absence of said mutation.

19. A method of diagnosing a pathological condition or a susceptibility to
15 a pathological condition in a subject comprising:

(a) determining the presence or amount of expression of the polypeptide of claim 11 in a biological sample; and

(b) diagnosing a pathological condition or a susceptibility to a pathological condition based on the presence or amount of expression of the polypeptide.

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20. A method for identifying a binding partner to the polypeptide of claim 11 comprising:

(a) contacting the polypeptide of claim 11 with a binding partner; and

(b) determining whether the binding partner effects an activity of the
25 polypeptide.

21. The gene corresponding to the cDNA sequence of SEQ ID NO:Y.

22. A method of identifying an activity in a biological assay, wherein the
30 method comprises:

(a) expressing SEQ ID NO:X in a cell;

(b) isolating the supernatant;

- (c) detecting an activity in a biological assay; and
- (d) identifying the protein in the supernatant having the activity.

23. The product produced by the method of claim 20.