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#### (57) Abstract

Disclosed are 1) osteogenic devices comprising a matrix containing osteogenic protein and methods of inducing endochondral bone growth and cartilage in mammals using the devices; 2) amino acid sequence data, amino acid composition, solubility properties, structural features, homologies and various other data characterizing osteogenic proteins, 3) methods of producing osteogenic proteins using recombinant DNA technology, and 4) osteogenically and chondrogenically active synthetic protein constructs.

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The present application is admittedly NOT the first to describe the phenomenon of bone inducing proteins, or devices containing them. It is therefore necessarily drafted to the individual compounds on well-known devices.

In claim 3, for example, a protein (on a device) is claimed, which comprises 103 amino acids, whereof 68 are completely unspecified. Even if it is assumed that "amino acid" means "natural alpha amino acid", and that "comprises" means "consisting of exactly", the formula would still cover 20<sup>68</sup> different compounds. The scope of the claims 1 and 2 is even vaster. (Despite this broad scope, the biological activity has only been demonstrated for the compounds COP5, COP7, COP16, and OP1, corresponding to subjects 3 and 7 of the non unity declaration!).

Formulas of the type of claim 3 cannot validly be regarded as a concise description of the matter for which protection is sought, all the more as the few defined amino acids are totally dispersed in the hypothetical peptide chain. The search has therefore been restricted to the embodiments of claims 1-47, in as far as the protein sequences correspond to the sequences disclosed in the claims 7-16 (or 29-41).

This searchable subject matter has been regrouped according to the non-unity specification, in order to establish conceptually individual subjects, each of which now constitutes a potential selection invention.

(Please see also the citations "A giant step..." and "Hypertrophic Patent Claims...").

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