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(54) Title: CONJUGATE OF A PHOTOSENSITISER AND A BACTERIOPHAGE

(57) Abstract: A composition comprising a conjugate of a photosensitiser and a bacteriophage is provided. The conjugate may be used to kill bacteria, particularly MRSA, EMRSA, VRSA, hetero-VRSA or CA-MRSA in a targeted method of photodynamic

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Box II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)					
This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:					
1. X Claims Nos.: 28-30 because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:					
Although claims 13-23 are directed to a method of treatment of the human/animal body, the search has been carried out and based on the alleged effects of the compound/composition.					
2. X Claims Nos.: 28-30 because they relate to parts of the International Application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful International Search can be carried out, specifically:					
see FURTHER INFORMATION sheet PCT/ISA/210					
3. Claims Nos.: because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).					
Box III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)					
This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:					
see additional sheet					
1. As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers all searchable claims.					
2. As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.					
3. As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:					
4. No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this International Search Report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:  1-25					
Remark on Protest  The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.  No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.					

#### FURTHER INFORMATION CONTINUED FROM PCT/ISA/ 210

Continuation of Box II.1

Although claims 13-23 are directed to a method of treatment of the human/animal body, the search has been carried out and based on the alleged effects of the compound/composition.

Continuation of Box II.1

Claims Nos.: 28-30

Claims 28-30 do not define subject matter in terms of technical features (Art 6 PCT)
A claim should be understandable without reference to the description:
"substantially as described in the examples" cannot be accepted under Art. 6 PCT and Rule 6.2(a).

Continuation of Box II.2

Claims Nos.: 28-30

Claims 28-30 do not define subject matter in terms of technical features (Art 6 PCT) A claim should be understandable without reference to the description: "substantially as described in the examples" cannot be accepted under Art. 6 PCT and Rule 6.2(a).

The applicant's attention is drawn to the fact that claims relating to inventions in respect of which no international search report has been established need not be the subject of an international preliminary examination (Rule 66.1(e) PCT). The applicant is advised that the EPO policy when acting as an International Preliminary Examining Authority is normally not to carry out a preliminary examination on matter which has not been searched. This is the case irrespective of whether or not the claims are amended following receipt of the search report or during any Chapter II procedure. If the application proceeds into the regional phase before the EPO, the applicant is reminded that a search may be carried out during examination before the EPO (see EPO Guideline C-VI, 8.5), should the problems which led to the Article 17(2) declaration be overcome.

#### FURTHER INFORMATION CONTINUED FROM PCT/ISA/ 210

This International Searching Authority found multiple (groups of) inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. claims: 1-25

Composition comprising a conjugate of a photosensitiser and a bacteriophage. Use of the same for killing bacteria and the treatment of bacterial infections.

2. claims: 26,27

Use of a bacteriophage as a targeting agent in photodynamic therapy

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