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LACK OF UNITIY OF INVENTION

The Search Division considers that the present European patent application does not comply with the requirements of unity of invention and relates to several inventions or groups of inventions, namely:

- 1. claims: 1-6(completely); 9, 10, 12, 13, 15(all partially)
- Cell retrieval system a plurality of channels defined within the substrate body, wherein each well of the set is fluidly coupled to an adjacent well of the set by a respective channel of the plurality
- 2. claims: 7, 8, 11, 14(completely); 9, 10, 12, 13, 15(all partially) Cell retrieval system with a manifold defining an inlet and an outlet, wherein the inlet and outlet are fluidly coupled to each well in the set of wells via an interior of the manifold

None of the further search fees have been paid within the fixed time limit. The present (supplementary) European search report has been drawn up for those parts of the European patent application which relate to the first mentioned in the claims, namely claims: 1-6(completely); 9, 10, 12, 13, 15(partially)

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