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(57) Abstract

Isolated and purified chemokine peptides, variants, and derivatives thereof, as well as chemokine peptide analogs, are provided.

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box i Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 1 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.: because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:  Remark: Although claims 17-38, 40-45 and 48-50 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.							
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see FURHTER INFORMATION sheet							
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Box II Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)							
This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:							
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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.							
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4. X 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.:  see FURTHER INFORMATION sheet, subject 1.							
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This International Searching Authority found multiple (groups of) inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. Claims: 1,3-5,11,12,47,55(complete);6-10,17,18,20-22,24-28, 31-35,40-46,48-51(partially)

Chemokine peptide 3, a variant or derivative thereof and their medical use.

2. Claims: 2,13,19,29,30,56(complete),6-10,17,18,20-28,31-35, 39-45,48-51(partially)

Chemokine peptide 2, a variant or derivative thereof and their medical use.

3. Claims: 14,36,52(complete),18,20-28,31-35,39,40,45, 48-51(partially)

A compound of formula IV and its medical use

4. Claims: 15,37,53(complete),18,20-28,31-35,39,40,45, 48-51(partially)

A compound of formula V and its medical use

5. Claims: 16,38,54(complete),18,20-28,31-35,39,40,45, 48-51(partially)

A compound of formula VI and its medical use

6. Claim: 46(partially)

Peptides as defined in claim 46 as far as not encompassed by subject  ${\bf l}$  and their medical use.

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

Further defect(s) under Article 17(2)(a):

CIII, 2.1 and CIII, 3,7).

Claims Nos.: 1,3,4,6-11,17,18,20-22,24-28,31-35,40-46,48-51,55(all partially)

The definition of "chemokine peptide 3" is vague and ambiguous. Several different definitions have been used to define this expression: e.g., see Table 1 on page 129, showing a peptide of 12 amino acids; page 31. line 25 to page 32, describing this expression as a peptide of 3-30 amino acids originating from the C-terminal part of any chemokine and also the definitions on the pages 3-5 relating to facultatively repeating sequences of amino acids of a general character lacking any significant structural constant entity. Therefore said expression "chemokine peptide 3" cannot be considered to be a clear and concise definition of patentable subject-matter (Art.6 PCT). Furthermore the available experimental data actually only comprise a very small part of the compounds claimed, which part is moreover not evenly distributed over the whole claimed area. Therefore the claims can also not be considered to represent a permissible generalisation which is fairly based on experimental evidence, that is, they are also not adequately supported by the description (Art.6 PCT). Therefore a meaningful and economically feasible search could not encompass the complete subject-matter of subject 1. Consequently the search has been limited to the actually synthesised compounds of the examples 1 and 2 and (partially) Figure 14 and the relevant SEQ ID's encompassed by subject 1 and their use and has been extended to compounds having the same activity (Art.17(2)(a)(ii) and (b) PCT, PCT Guidelines

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