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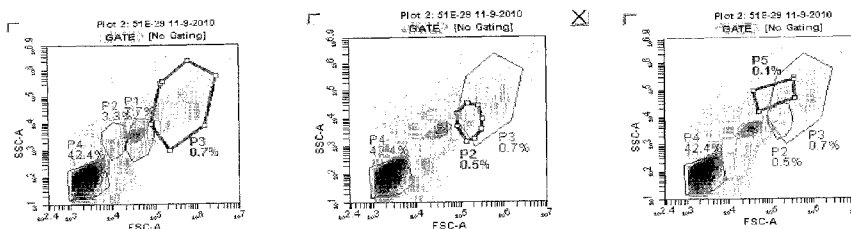


Figure 3

(57) Abstract: A population of somatic stem cells and a method of preparing same. Also disclosed are two subpopulations thereof and their various uses.



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