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(54) Title: MAM DOMAIN CONTAINING PROTEIN

(57) Abstract: This invention relates to a novel protein, termed INSP152, herein identified as a secreted protein, in particular, as a MAM domain containing protein and to the use of this protein and nucleic acid sequence from the encoding gene in the diagnosis, prevention and treatment.

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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.: 18,20–22 because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:  See FURTHER INFORMATION sheet PCT/ISA/210
2. X Claims Nos.: 18,20-22 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:
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.:
Remark on Protest  The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.  No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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Although claims 24,26,29-34, 45 are directed to a diagnostic method practised on the human/animal body, the search has been carried out and based on the alleged effects of the compound/composition. Although claims 42-44 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.2

Claims Nos.: 18,20-22

Present claims 18, 20-22 relate to compound which has a given desired property or effect, namely the ability to bind to a protein as defined in claim 1-11, or to increase or decrease the level of expression or activity of said protein. However, the description does not

provide support and disclosure in the sense of Article 6 and 5 PCT for any such

compound having the said property or effect and there is no common general knowledge of this kind available to the person skilled in the art. This

non-compliance with the substantive provisions is to such an extent, that the search

was performed taking into consideration the non-compliance in determining the extent

of the search of the claim (PCT Guidelines 9.19 and 9.20).

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.

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