

## Supplementary Information

### Patent Search Algorithm (S1)

- a) Search Strategy: claims:((seq id) AND ("isolated DNA"~5 OR "isolated gene"~5 OR "isolated nucleotide"~5 OR "isolated (deoxyribonucleic acid)"~5 OR "isolated (nucleic acid)"~5))
- b) Dates: 2010-06-13 to 2013-06-13
- c) Database: Lens.org;
- d) Jurisdiction: USA (USPTO);
- e) Biologicals: Homo Sapiens

### Patent Application Coding Schema

M1a = Simple Isolated DNA  
 M1aG = Simple Isolated DNA Granted  
 M1aR = Simple Isolated DNA Rejected/Abandoned  
 M1aP = Simple Isolated DNA Pending  
 M1aGA = Simple Isolated DNA Granted Claims Amended  
 M1aGC = Simple Isolated DNA Granted Claims Cancelled  
 M1aGU = Simple Isolated DNA Granted Claims Unchanged

#### Amendment Type

M1aGA1 = Simple Isolated DNA Granted Amended - Preliminary Amendment  
 M1aGA2 = Simple Isolated DNA Granted Amended - Response to Election/Restriction - Election  
 M1aGA3 = Simple Isolated DNA Granted Amended - Response to Office Action  
 M1aGA4 = Simple Isolated DNA Granted Amended - Appeal

#### Cancellation Type

M1aGC1 = Simple Isolated DNA Cancelled - Preliminary Amendment  
 M1aGC2 = Simple Isolated DNA Cancelled - Withdrawn in Response to Election/Restriction - Election  
 M1aGC3 = Simple Isolated DNA Cancelled - Response to Office Action  
 M1aGC4 = Simple Isolated DNA Cancelled - Appeal

#### Myriad Rejections

M1aGAxM1 = M1a Granted Claims (any Type) with 35 USC 101 Myriad-Type Rejection  
 M1aGAxM2 = M1a Granted Claims Amended without 35 USC 101 Myriad-Type Rejection  
 M1aGAxM2a = M1a Granted Claims Amended without 35 USC 101 Myriad-Type Rejection (after Myriad)  
 M1aGAxM2b = M1a Granted Claims Amended without 35 USC 101 Myriad-Type Rejection (before Myriad)  
 M1aGCxM2a = M1a Granted Claims Cancelled without 35 USC 101 Myriad- Rejection (after Myriad)  
 M1aGCxM2b = M1a Granted Claims Cancelled without 35 USC 101 Myriad-Type Rejection (before Myriad)  
 M1aGUXM2a = M1a Granted Claims Unchanged without 35 USC 101 Myriad-Type Rejection (after Myriad)  
 M1aGUXM2b = M1a Granted Claims Unchanged without 35 USC 101 Myriad-Type Rejection (before Myriad)

Pivoting point for granted: date of issuance.

#### Illustrative Example(s):

**Example 1: M1aGA3M1** indicates a patent application containing at least one product claim directed to **simple** isolated DNA, that was **granted**, and that the isolated DNA claim was **amended** in **response** to an Office Action during **examination of the merits**, and the Office Action **included** a 35 USC 101 **Myriad-type** rejection

**Example 2: M1aGC2M2a** indicates a patent application containing at least one product claim directed to **simple** isolated DNA, that was granted, and that the isolated DNA claim was cancelled in response to an a Restriction requirement (i.e., the claim was not elected -withdrawn from consideration- and later cancelled) and the Office Actions (at least one provided after the Myriad Supreme Court ruling) did **NOT** a 35 USC 101 Myriad-type rejection (because the claim had already been cancelled).

## Amendments due to *Myriad*-based Rejections: Published Application Claims v Granted Claims

Please note:

- Words in the granted claims highlighted in yellow indicate the elements of the claim that were amended to comply with the *Myriad*-based rejection.
- The dates used below refer to the date stamp given to the documents by the USPTO, the dates may not correspond to the dates in which the correspondence was sent or received.
- Where possible, the claim numbers used below correspond to the ones on Lens.com

### Summary of Amendments:

Type 1: cDNA – 7

Type 2: Nucleic acid with non-naturally occurring sequence variations – 5

Type 3: Heterologous Recombination - 3

Type 4: Label – 2

Type 5: Recombination with non-specific regulatory nucleic acid – 1

Type 6: Vector – 1

Type 7: Type 2 and a negative-claim clause – 1

Type 8: Short nucleotide – 1

Type 9: Cancelled – 3 (183 total cancelations)

### Description of Amendment Classifications:

1. *cDNA* – The amendment meant that only cDNA was claimed.
2. *Nucleic acid with non-naturally occurring sequence variations* – The amendment meant that only nucleic acids with non-naturally occurring sequence variations were claimed.
3. *Heterologous Recombination* – The amendment meant that only nucleic acids linked to sequences from different species were claimed.
4. *Label* – The amendment meant only labelled nucleic acids were claimed.
5. *Recombination with non-specific regulatory nucleic acid* – The amendment meant that only a nucleic acid sequence linked to a non-specific regulatory nucleic acid was claimed.
6. *Vector* – The amendment meant that only a nucleic acid in a vector was claimed.
7. *Type 2 and a negative-claim clause (Nucleic acid with non-naturally occurring sequence variations; and a negative-claim clause)* – The amendment meant that only nucleic acids with non-naturally occurring variant(s) were claimed. In addition, the claim specifies that the claimed sequences are not identical or complementary to all or a portion of other naturally occurring DNA.
8. *Short nucleic acid* – The amendment meant that only a short nucleic acid was claimed.
9. *Cancelled* – The claims were cancelled.

## Type 1: cDNA

### 1. Title: Pregnancy-associated Plasma Protein-a2 (papp-a2) Polynucleotides

Application Publication No: [2013/0095569 A1](#)

Application No: 13/625,088

Relevant Claim:

1. An isolated polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide that
  - (a) consists of mature PAPP-A2 (amino acid residues 234-1791 of SEQ ID NO:2); or
  - (b) is at least 95% identical to the polypeptide of (a), and differs from the polypeptide of (a) solely by
    - (i) deletion of 1-10 amino acid residues from, or addition of 1-10 residues to, the amino terminal, and/or
    - (ii) deletion of 1-10 residues from, or addition of 1-10 residues to, the carboxy terminal, and/or
    - (iii) one or more conservative substitutions;wherein said polypeptide has a proteolytic activity against Insulin Like Growth Factor Binding Protein 5 (IGFBP-5).

Grant Publication No: [9005949 B2](#)

Relevant Grant Claim:

1. A **cDNA that** encodes a polypeptide that
  - (a) consists of amino acid residues 234-1791 of SEQ ID NO: 2 (mature pregnancy associated plasma protein A2 (PAPP-A2)); or
  - (b) is at least 95% sequence identical to the polypeptide of (a), and differs from the polypeptide of (a) solely by
    - (i) deletion of 1-10 amino acid residues from, or addition of 1-10 residues to, the amino terminal, and/or
    - (ii) deletion of 1-10 amino acid residues from, or addition of 1-10 residues to, the carboxy terminal, and/or
    - (iii) one or more conservative substitutions;wherein said polypeptide has a proteolytic activity against Insulin Like Growth Factor Binding Protein 5 (IGFBP-5).

### Amendment type: cDNA

Notes: The applicant initially attempted to make the claim patent eligible by claiming an isolated “polydeoxyribonucleotide” instead of a “polynucleotide”, arguing that the claim “no longer read on naturally occurring nucleic acids...”. This amendment and argument was, however, rejected (non-final rejection 15 August 2014). The applicant then amended the claim to read “An isolated polydeoxyribonucleotide that, when transcribed and translated yields a polypeptide”... (Response after final action, 13 November 2014). Eventually, after an applicant-initiated interview, the claim was drafted to cDNA (11 December 2014).

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### 2. Title: Mammalian Alpha-kinase Proteins, Nucleic Acids And Diagnostic And Therapeutic Uses Thereof

Application Publication No: [2013/0011919 A1](#)

Application No: 12/803,001

Relevant Claim:

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1. An isolated nucleic acid encoding mammalian melanoma alpha kinase, wherein the nucleic acid is selected from the group consisting of:
  - a. the DNA sequence of SEQ ID NO: 28;
  - b. the DNA sequence of SEQ ID NO: 26;
  - c. DNA sequences that hybridize to the sequence of subparts (a) or (b) under standard hybridization conditions; and
  - d. DNA sequences capable of encoding the amino acid sequence encoded by the DNA sequences of subparts (a), (b) or (c).

Grant Publication No: [US8916379 B2](#)

Relevant Grant Claim:

1. **A complementary nucleic acid (cDNA)** encoding mammalian melanoma alpha kinase having alpha kinase activity, wherein the nucleic acid is selected from the group consisting of
  - a. SEQ ID NO: 26; and
  - b. cDNA sequences capable of encoding the amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:27.

**Amendment type: cDNA**

Notes: The examiner initially raised the *Myriad*-based rejection in an examiner-initiated interview (28 February 2014), which was then repeated in a non-final rejection (28 February 2014).

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3. Title: Use Of Novel Cytokine Receptors As Biomarkers And Therapeutic Targets In Human Cancer

Application Publication No: [2012/0329065 A1](#)

Application No: 13/595,436

Relevant Claim:

1. An isolated nucleic acid selected from the group consisting of a nucleic acid encoding erythropoietin receptor isoform 5 and having the sequence given herein as SEQ ID NO: 12; a nucleic acid that encodes the opposite strand of a nucleic acid of SEQ ID NO: 12.

Grant Publication No: [8617844 B2](#)

Relevant Grant Claim:

1. An isolated nucleic acid selected from the group consisting of **a cDNA** acid encoding erythropoietin receptor isoform 5 and having the sequence given herein as SEQ ID NO: 12; **a cDNA** is the full length complement of SEQ ID NO: 12

**Amendment type: cDNA**

Notes: The *Myriad*-based rejection was raised during an examiner-initiated interview (2 December 2013). This interview actually took place *after* a notice of allowance was issued (6 June 2013). During the interview the applicant authorised the claim amendment above. This amendment, however, didn't make it to the granted patent until a certification of correction was issued (28 October 2014).

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## 4. Title: Identification And Use Of Genes Encoding Amatoxin And Phallotoxin

Application Publication No: [2010/0267019 A1](#)

Application No: 12/268,22

Relevant Claim:

1. An isolated nucleic acid sequence comprising at least one sequence set forth in SEQ ID NOs: 1-4, 55-56, 79-81, 85-86, and 95-96.

Grant Publication No: [9518097 B2](#)

Relevant Grant Claim:

1. A nucleic acid consisting essentially of one of the sequences set forth in SEQ ID NOs: 55, 56, or 79.

**Amendment type: cDNA**

Notes: These SEQ ID NOs list cDNA sequences (see applicant arguments, 4 June 2014).

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## 5. Title: Identification Of A Novel Bhd Gene

Application Publication No: [2011/0288031 A1](#)

Application No: 13/179,853

Relevant Claim:

14. An isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding the polypeptide of claim 1, wherein the molecule hybridizes with a nucleic acid probe comprising the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1 under wash conditions of 55° C., 1.0×SSC for 30 minutes.

(Claim 1: A purified folliculin polypeptide: having an amino acid sequence comprising the sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 2; having an amino acid sequence comprising a sequence having at least 95% sequence identity to the sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 2; encoded by a nucleic acid molecule comprising the sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 42; or encoded by a nucleic acid molecule comprising a sequence having at least 90% sequence identity to the sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 42.)

Grant Publication No: [8865880 B2](#)

Relevant Grant Claim:

1. **An isolated cDNA** molecule consisting of a nucleic acid sequence encoding a polypeptide: having an amino acid sequence consisting of the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2; having an amino acid sequence consisting of a sequence having at least 95% sequence identity to the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2; wherein the isolated cDNA molecule hybridizes with a nucleic acid probe comprising the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1 under wash conditions of 55° C., 1.0×SSC for 20 minutes.)

**Amendment type: cDNA**

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## 6. Title: Mutation Of The Parkin Gene, Compositions, Methods And Uses

Application Publication No: [2012/0064598 A1](#)

Application No: 13/209,495

Relevant Claim:

1. An isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding a human parkin, comprising a DNA sequence of SEQ ID NO:1 with at least one genetic alteration comprising
  - a) a deletion of one or more exons, in combination or otherwise,
  - b) a multiplication of exons,
  - c) a point mutation,
  - d) a deletion of 1 or more contiguous base pairs,
  - e) an insertion of 1 or more contiguous base pairs or
  - f) a combination thereof.

Grant Publication No: [8835618 B2](#)

Relevant Grant Claim:

1. An isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding a human parkin comprising a **cDNA** sequence of SEQ ID NO:1 with at least one genetic alteration comprising:
  - a) a deletion of one or more exons selected from the group consisting of: exon 2, exons 2-3, exons 2-4, exons 3-4, exons 3-6, exons 3-9, exon 5, exons 5-6, exon 6, exons 6-7, exons 7-9, and exon 8;
  - b) a multiplication of exons selected from the group consisting of:  
a triplication of exon 2,  
a duplication of exon 3,  
a duplication of exon 6,  
a duplication of exon 7,  
and a duplication of exon 11;
  - c) a point mutation selected from the group consisting of:  
a mutation from adenine to thymine at position 584,  
a mutation from guanine to adenine at position 601,  
a mutation from adenine to thymine at position 734,  
a mutation from cytosine to thymine at position 867,  
a mutation from thymine to adenine at position 905,  
a mutation from cytosine to thymine at position 924,  
a mutation from guanine to adenine at position 939,  
a mutation from thymine to guanine at position 966,  
a mutation from guanine to adenine at position 1084,  
a mutation from cytosine to thymine at position 1101,  
a mutation from guanine to cytosine at position 1239,  
a mutation from guanine to adenine at position 1281,  
a mutation from cytosine to adenine at position 1345,  
a mutation from guanine to adenine at position 1390, and  
a mutation from guanine to adenine at position 1459;
  - d) a deletion of 1 or more contiguous base pairs selected from the group consisting of:  
a deletion of nucleotides adenine and guanine at positions 202-203,  
a deletion of adenine at position 255, and  
a deletion of nucleotides guanine and adenine at positions 1142-1143; or
  - e) an insertion of 1 or more contiguous base pairs selected from the group consisting of: an insertion of guanine and thymine at positions 321-322.

Amendment type: cDNA

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## 7. Title: Tryptophanyl-trna Synthetase-derived Polypeptides Useful For The Regulation Of Angiogenesis

Application Publication No: [2012/0238620 A1](#)

Application No:

Relevant Claim:

1. An isolated nucleic acid encoding a polypeptide capable of inhibiting angiogenesis or neovascularization, wherein the nucleic acid comprises a first polynucleotide sequence comprising a coding sequence at least 95 percent identical to a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:6, a polynucleotide sequence that encodes a polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:12, and a polynucleotide sequence that encodes a fragment of the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:12; and wherein the nucleic acid does not encode for the amino acid sequence of amino acids 71-93 of SEQ ID NO:1.

Grant Publication No: [8796237 B2](#)

Relevant Grant Claim:

1. An isolated **cDNA** encoding a polypeptide or a fragment of the polypeptide capable of inhibiting angiogenesis or neovascularization, wherein the isolated **cDNA** comprises a first polynucleotide sequence comprising a coding sequence at least 95 percent identical to a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:6, a polynucleotide sequence that encodes a polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:12, and a polynucleotide sequence that encodes a fragment of the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:12.

### **Amendment type: cDNA**

Note: A notice of allowance was issued on application claim 1 in a slightly modified version to that above (notice of allowance, 3 April 2013). However, this notification was withdrawn due to reconsideration of the patents in light of *Myriad* (notice of withdrawal from issue, 27 November 2013). After a telephone interview with the examiner, the applicant amended the introductory phrase of the claim to “An isolated DNA selected from the group consisting of cDNA, recombinant hybrid DNA and synthetic DNA...” (claims 14 November 2013). This amendment was rejected because no “hybrid DNA” was disclosed and “synthetic DNA” has the same sequence as that which exists in nature (non-final rejection 19 December 2013). Subsequently, the applicant limited the claim to cDNA (applicant arguments, 30 January 2014).

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## Type 2: Nucleic acid with non-naturally occurring sequence variations

### 8. Title: Ssx-2 Peptides Presented By Hla Class Ii Molecules

Application Publication No: [2011/0144186 A1](#)

Application No: 12/028,953

Relevant Claim:

1. An isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding an SSX-2 HLA class II-binding peptide consisting of an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:1, SEQ ID NO:2, SEQ ID NO:3, SEQ ID NO:4, SEQ ID NO:5, SEQ ID NO:6, SEQ ID NO:7 and SEQ ID NO:8.

Grant Publication No: [920047 B2](#)

Relevant Grant Claim:

1. An isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding an SSX-2 HLA class II-binding peptide comprising an endosomal targeting signal, wherein the SSX2 HLA class II-binding peptide consists of an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:1, SEQ ID NO:2, SEQ ID NO:3, SEQ ID NO:4, SEQ ID NO:5, SEQ ID NO:6, SEQ ID NO:7 and SEQ ID NO:8.

### Amendment type: Nucleic acid with non-naturally occurring sequence variations

Notes: The examiner raised the *Myriad*-based rejections in an examiner-initiated interview (19 March 2015) and then again in a non-final rejection (20 March 2015). The examiner advised that the amendments above would be eligible at the interview and in the non-final rejection because the naturally-occurring version of the protein does not ordinarily have the endosomal targeting signal (non-final rejection 20 March 2015). The applicant adopted these amendment in the next version of the claims (19 June 2015).

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### 9. Title: Variant Activin Receptor Polypeptides

Application Publication No: [2011/0183897 A1](#)

Application No: 13/080,515

Relevant Claim:

1. An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of:
  - (a) a polynucleotide having sequence set forth in the group consisting of SEQ ID NO: 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 19, 21, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31, 33, 35, 37, 39, 41, 43, 45, 51, 53, 55, 59, 61, 63, 65, 67, 69, 71, 92, 94, and 96 or its complement; and
  - (b) a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide having the amino acid sequences set forth in the group consisting of SEQ ID NO: 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 52, 54, 56, 60, 62, 64, 66, 68, 70, 72, 87, 88, 91, 93, 95, and 97.

Grant Publication No: [8716459 B2](#)

Relevant Grant Claim:

1. An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of:
  - (a) a polynucleotide having sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO 23;
  - (b) a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide having the amino acid sequences set forth in SEQ ID NO: 24;

- (c) a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence at least 95% identical to the amino acid sequence set forth at amino acids 25 through 134 of SEQ ID NO:18, wherein the polypeptide comprises an amino acid substitution at position 28 of SEQ ID NO:18;
- (d) a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence at least 98% identical to the amino acid sequence set forth at amino acids 25 through 134 of SEQ ID NO:18, wherein the polypeptide comprises an amino acid substitution at position 28 of SEQ ID NO:18; and
- (e) a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence at least 99% identical to the amino acid sequence set forth at amino acids 25 through 134 of SEQ ID NO:18, wherein the polypeptide comprises an amino acid substitution at position 28 of SEQ ID NO:18.

**Amendment type: Nucleic acid with non-naturally occurring sequence variations**

Notes: Each isolated nucleic acid molecule listed includes non-naturally-occurring modifications). For a discussion on the modifications see, applicant arguments (23 December 2013).

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10. Title: [Dna Virus Microrna And Methods For Inhibiting Same](#)

Application Publication No: [2012/0070892 A1](#)

Application No: 13/307,694

Relevant Claim:

1. An isolated nucleic acid Epstein Barr virus (EBV) microRNA molecule having a maximum of 50 nucleotides comprising any one of SEQ ID NOS: 1 and 3-5.

Grant Publication No: [9476048 B2](#)

Relevant Grant Claim:

1. An isolated nucleic acid Epstein Barr virus (EBV) microRNA molecule having a maximum of 50 nucleotides comprising a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOS: 1 and 3-5, wherein at least one ribonucleotide in said sequence is modified to confer nuclease resistance as compared to the unmodified naturally occurring microRNA, and wherein the modification of the ribonucleotide is selected from the group consisting of a C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>4</sub> alkyl group substituted at the 2' position, a C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>4</sub> alkoxy-C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>4</sub> alkyl group substituted at the 2' position, and a methylene bridge between the 2'-oxygen atom and the 4'-carbon atom.

**Amendment type: Nucleic acid with non-naturally occurring sequence variations**

Notes: The applicant attempted to overcome the *Myriad*-based rejection by amending the claim to state that the isolated nucleic acid “molecule comprises at least one modified nucleotide for increased nuclease resistance” (applicant arguments, 10 March 2014). This amendment was, however, rejected for being too broad because it included amendments that were naturally occurring and were already published (final rejection, 2 July 2014). The applicant again tried to overcome the *Myriad*-based rejection by stating that the isolated nucleic acid had been “chemically modified” for increased nuclease resistance (applicant arguments, 2 October 2014). This second amendment was rejected because some chemical alterations can result in amendments which are identical to those that exist in nature (non-

final rejection, 30 October 2014). Finally, the applicant amended the claim to read, “wherein the sequence comprises at least one chemical modified ribonucleotide having a moiety which confers nuclease resistance (applicant arguments, 30 January 2015). This amendment was sufficient to overcome the *Myriad*-based rejection, but additional amendments were required for other reasons.

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## 11. Title: Transcription Activator-like Effectors

Application Publication No: [2012/0270273 A1](#)

Application No: 13/353,662

Relevant Claim:

1. A nucleic acid molecule encoding a designer transcription activator-like effector (dTALE) polypeptide, the nucleic acid molecule comprising a sequence encoding a nucleic acid binding domain and one or more mammalian effector domains, wherein the sequence encoding the nucleic acid binding domain comprises sequences encoding two or more monomer units arranged in a predetermined 5' to 3' order, wherein each said monomer unit comprises a variable disresidue that specifically binds a target nucleotide, and wherein the nucleic acid binding domain encoded by the nucleic acid molecule specifically binds a predetermined nucleic acid sequence, and wherein each one or more mammalian effector domains encoded by the nucleic acid molecule mediates an effector function.

Grant Publication No: [9499592 B2](#)

Relevant Grant Claim:

1. A nucleic acid molecule encoding a designer transcription activator-like effector (dTALE) polypeptide fragment, the nucleic acid molecule comprising a sequence encoding a nucleic acid binding domain of the dTALE polypeptide fragment and one or more mammalian effector domains, wherein the sequence encoding the nucleic acid binding domain comprises a sequence encoding two or more monomer units arranged in a predetermined 5' to 3' **non-endogenous TALE order**, wherein each said monomer unit comprises a variable diresidue that is capable of specifically binding a target nucleotide, wherein the nucleic acid binding domain encoded by the nucleic acid molecule is capable of specifically binding a predetermined target nucleic acid sequence, wherein each of the one or more mammalian effector domains encoded by the nucleic acid molecule is capable of mediating an effector function, and wherein the nucleic acid molecule further comprises an expression vector comprising the sequence of an expression vector of SEQ ID NOs: 192-195.

**Amendment type: Nucleic acid with non-naturally occurring sequence variations**

Notes: Although the application claim detailed “a designer transcription activator-like effector” the examiner rejected this claim under *Myriad* because the claim “did not set forth specific structural properties of the claimed nucleic acids that make it clear the nucleic acids are non-naturally occurring.” (non-final rejection 2 October 2014). The applicant amended the claim to give a little more detail on the invention (2 April 2014), but the examiner maintained that nucleic acids listed could be found in nature. Furthermore, the examiner stated that it is common for people skilled in the art “to make reference to the ‘arrangement’ of domains in naturally occurring proteins and to describe naturally processes of evolution as examples of ‘engineering’ or ‘design’.” (final rejection, 19 May 2015). The applicant

eventually made the claim patent eligible by making the amendment above (applicant arguments 10 November 2015).

The additional clause “wherein the nucleic acid molecule further comprises an expression vector comprising the sequence of an expression vector of SEQ ID NOs: 192-195” was actually added due to a 102 rejection (applicant arguments, 20 June 2016).

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## 12. Title: Immunogenic Peptides And Methods Of Use

Application Publication No: [2011/0165117 A1](#)

Application No: 13/025,094

Relevant Claim:

17. An isolated polynucleotide comprising a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide of claim 16.

(Claim 16: An isolated polypeptide comprising at most ten consecutive amino acids of the amino acid sequence set forth as (SEQ ID NO:

1)MSARVRSRSRGRGDGX<sub>1</sub>X<sub>2</sub>APDVVAFVAPGESQQEPPPTDNQDIEPGQER  
EGTPPIEERKX<sub>3</sub>X<sub>4</sub>GDCQEMDX<sub>5</sub>EKTRSERGDGSDVKEX<sub>6</sub>X<sub>7</sub>PPNPKHX<sub>8</sub>KTKE  
AGDGQP wherein X<sub>1</sub> is Q or Y, X<sub>2</sub> is E or L, X<sub>3</sub> is V or Y, X<sub>4</sub> is E or L, X<sub>5</sub> is V or L, X<sub>6</sub> is K or Y, X<sub>7</sub> is T or L, and X<sub>8</sub> is A or V and wherein the polypeptide comprises one of

(a) amino acids 16 to 25 of SEQ ID NO: 1, wherein amino acid X<sub>1</sub> is a glutamine and amino acid X<sub>2</sub> is a glutamic acid;

(b) amino acids 59 to 68 of SEQ ID NO: 1, wherein amino acid X<sub>3</sub> is a valine and amino acid, X<sub>4</sub> is a glutamic acid and X<sub>5</sub> is a valine; or

(c) amino acids 84 to 92 of SEQ ID NO: 1 wherein the amino acid X<sub>6</sub> is a leucine, amino acid X<sub>7</sub> is a threonine and amino acid X<sub>8</sub> is a alanine.)

Grant Publication No: [9175057 B2](#)

Relevant Grant Claim:

14. An isolated polynucleotide comprising a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide of claim 13.

(Claim 13. A polypeptide consisting of amino acids 59 to 68 of SEQ ID NO: 1(X<sub>3</sub>X<sub>4</sub>GDCQEMDX<sub>5</sub>), wherein amino acid X<sub>3</sub> is a valine, amino acid X<sub>4</sub> is a glutamic acid, and amino acid X<sub>5</sub> is a valine.)

### Nucleic acid with non-naturally occurring sequence variations

Notes: The examiner rejected amendments to the polypeptide claim because they encompassed naturally occurring sequences of amino acids (see, non-final rejection, 9 January 2015).

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## Type 3: Heterologous recombination

13. Title: Genes Encoding A Novel Type Of Lysophosphatidylcholine Acyltransferases And Their Use To Increase Triacylglycerol Production And/or Modify Fatty Acid Composition

Application Publication No: [US2013/0152230 A1](#)

Application No: 13/745,257

Relevant Claim:

1. A nucleic acid molecule, wherein said nucleic molecule is isolated, purified or recombinant, and comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO:1, SEQ ID NO:3, SEQ ID NO:5, SEQ ID NO:7, SEQ ID NO:9, SEQ ID NO:12, SEQ ID NO:14, SEQ ID NO:16, SEQ ID NO:18, SEQ ID NO:20, SEQ ID NO:24, SEQ ID NO:26, SEQ ID NO:28, SEQ ID NO:30, SEQ ID NO:32, or SEQ ID NO:34.

Grant Publication No: [9228175 B2](#)

Relevant Grant Claim:

1. A nucleic acid molecule comprising a first polynucleotide operably **linked to a second, heterologous polynucleotide**, wherein the first polynucleotide encodes at least one peptide selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:46, SEQ ID NO:47, SEQ ID NO:48, SEQ ID NO:49, SEQ ID NO:81, SEQ ID NO:82, SEQ ID NO:83, and SEQ ID NO:84.

**Amendment type: Heterologous recombination**

Notes: The initial *Myriad*-based rejection stated that the recombinant nucleic acid molecules claimed were not eligible subject matter because there was no “indication that the recombinant nucleic acids have any characteristics (structural, functional, or otherwise) that are different from naturally occurring nucleic acids.” (non-final rejection 22 May 2015).

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## 14. Title: Smndelta7 Degron: Novel Compositions And Methods Of Use

Application Publication No: [2012/0322852 A1](#)

Application No: 13/510,149

Relevant Claim:

1. An isolated nucleic acid comprising a nucleic acid sequence encoding a SMNΔ7 degenron, wherein said nucleic acid sequence is SEQ ID NO. 3 or SEQ ID NO. 14.

Grant Publication No: [8993741 B2](#)

Relevant Grant Claim

1. An **isolated nucleic acid encoding a chimeric polypeptide** comprising a degradation signal sequence and a target sequence, wherein the degradation signal sequence consists of SEQ ID NO. 3 or SEQ ID NO. 14.

**Amendment type: Heterologous recombination**

Notes: The examiner raised the *Myriad*-based rejection in a non-final rejection (4 November 2013). The applicant attempt to make the claim patent eligible by claiming a “complementary

DNA sequence” instead of an “isolated nucleic acid” (applicant’s amendments (27 January 2014). This amendment, however, was rejected because, as drafted in the claim, a “complementary DNA sequence” could be interpreted as “any DNA sequence that is complementary to some other sequence”, not as a cDNA molecule that was deemed patent eligible in *Myriad* (final rejection, 24 February 2014). The amendment above was made in response to this rejection.

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## 15. Title: Use Of Regulatory Sequences For Specific, Transient Expression In Neuronal Determined Cells

Application Publication No: [2011/0016547 A1](#)

Application No: 12/894,766

Relevant Claim:

1. A DNA segment comprising a regulatory sequence isolated free of the complete DCX gene protein coding region, wherein the regulatory sequence comprises a regulatory sequence selected from the group consisting of:
  - (a) regulatory sequences comprising the nucleotide sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1, as shown in SEQ ID NO: 2, as shown in SEQ ID NO: 3 or as shown in SEQ ID NO: 4;
  - (b) regulatory sequences comprising the nucleotide sequence contained in the insertion of clone DSM 15111 and obtainable by amplification using two oligonucleotides having the sequences indicated under SEQ ID NO: 9 and SEQ ID NO: 10;
  - (c) regulatory sequences comprising at least one nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1 from position 1166 to 1746, from position 1166 to 2049, from position 1785 to 1843 or from position 1953 to 2775;
  - (d) regulatory sequences comprising at least one nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2 from position 529 to 1079, from position 529 to 1390, from position 1118 to 1175 or from position 1291 to 2137;
  - (e) regulatory sequences comprising at least a functional part of a sequence of (a) to (d) and causing specific expression in neuronal determined cells;
  - (f) regulatory sequences comprising a nucleotide sequence which is at least 75% identical to a sequence as defined in (a) to (d) or which comprises a nucleotide sequence which is at least 78% identical to the nucleotide sequence as shown in SEQ ID NO: 1 from position 1166 to 1746 or from position 1166 to 2049 or to the nucleotide sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 2 from position 529 to 1079 or from position 529 to 1390, which comprises a nucleotide sequence which is at least 82% identical to the nucleotide sequence as shown in SEQ ID NO: 1 from position 1785 to 1843 or to the nucleotide sequence as shown in SEQ ID NO: 2 from position 1118 to 1175 or which comprises a nucleotide sequence which is at least 75% identical to the nucleotide sequence as shown in SEQ ID NO: 1 from position 1953 to 2775 or to the nucleotide sequence as shown in SEQ ID NO: 2 from position 1291 to 2137; and
  - (g) regulating sequences comprising a nucleotide sequence which hybridizes with a complementary strand of the regulatory sequence as defined in (a) to (f) for the early, transient expression of a heterologous nucleotide sequence in proliferative neuronal determined cells

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1. A DNA segment comprising a regulatory sequence and a heterologous nucleic acid molecule that is to be expressed and which originates from a different genetic context than said regulatory sequence, the heterologous nucleotide sequence being operatively linked to said regulatory sequence, said regulatory sequence being selected from the group consisting of:
  - (a) regulatory sequences comprising the nucleotide sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1, as shown in SEQ ID NO: 2, as shown in SEQ ID NO: 3 or as shown in SEQ ID NO: 4;
  - (b) regulatory sequences comprising the nucleotide sequence contained in the insertion of clone DSM 15111 and obtainable by amplification using two oligonucleotides having the sequences indicated under SEQ ID NO: 9 and SEQ ID NO: 10;
  - (c) regulatory sequences comprising at least one nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1 from position 1166 to 1746, from position 1166 to 2049, from position 1785 to 1843 or from position 1953 to 2775;
  - (d) regulatory sequences comprising at least one nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2 from position 529 to 1079, from position 529 to 1390, from position 1118 to 1175 or from position 1291 to 2137;
  - (e) regulatory sequences comprising a nucleotide sequence which is at least 75% identical to a sequence as defined in (a) to (d) or which comprises a nucleotide sequence which is at least 78% identical to the nucleotide sequence as shown in SEQ ID NO: 1 from position 1166 to 1746 or from position 1166 to 2049 or to the nucleotide sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 2 from position 529 to 1079 or from position 529 to 1390, which comprises a nucleotide sequence which is at least 82% identical to the nucleotide sequence as shown in SEQ ID NO: 1 from position 1785 to 1843 or to the nucleotide sequence as shown in SEQ ID NO: 2 from position 1118 to 1175 or which comprises a nucleotide sequence which is at least 75% identical to the nucleotide sequence as shown in SEQ ID NO: 1 from position 1953 to 2775 or to the nucleotide sequence as shown in SEQ ID NO: 2 from position 1291 to 2137; and
  - (f) regulatory sequences comprising a nucleotide sequence which hybridizes under stringent conditions with a complementary strand of the regulatory sequence as defined in (a) to (e) and which provides early, transient expression of a heterologous nucleotide sequence in proliferative neuronal determined cells.

**Amendment type: Heterologous recombination**

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## Type 4: Label

### 16. Title: Forensic Identification

Application Publication No: [2013/0144047 A1](#)

Application No: 13/761,648

Relevant Claim:

1. An isolated single stranded nucleic acid consisting of a sequence selected from: SEQ ID NO 1(TCTA TCTG TCTA (TCTG)<sub>4</sub> (TCTA)<sub>5</sub>; SEQ ID NO 2(TCTA (TCTG)<sub>4</sub> (TCTA)<sub>7</sub>; SEQ ID NO 3(TCTA)<sub>2</sub> (TCTG)<sub>4</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub>, TCCA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub>; SEQ ID NO 4(TCAT)<sub>4</sub> CAT (TCAT)<sub>7</sub> TCGT TCAT-; SEQ ID NO 7(TTTC)<sub>3</sub> TTTT TTCT (CTTT)<sub>5</sub> T (CTTT)<sub>3</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>2</sub>; SEQ ID NO 8(TTTC)<sub>3</sub> TTTT TTCT (CTTT)<sub>13</sub> CCTT (CTTT)<sub>5</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>2</sub>; SEQ ID NO 9(TTTC)<sub>3</sub> TTTT TTCT (CTTT)<sub>16</sub> CCTT (CTTT)<sub>5</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>2</sub>; SEQ ID NO 10(TTTC)<sub>4</sub> TTTT TT (CTTT)<sub>15</sub> (CTTC)<sub>3</sub> (CTTT)<sub>3</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>4</sub>; SEQ ID NO 11(TTTC)<sub>4</sub> TTTT TT (CTTT)<sub>16</sub> (CTTC)<sub>3</sub> (CTTT)<sub>3</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>4</sub>; SEQ ID NO 12(TTTC)<sub>4</sub> TTTT TT (CTTT)<sub>17</sub> (CTTC)<sub>3</sub> (CTTT)<sub>3</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>4</sub>; SEQ ID NO 13(TTTC)<sub>4</sub> TTTT TT (CTTT)<sub>8</sub> (CTGT)<sub>4</sub> (CTTT)<sub>13</sub> (CTTC)<sub>4</sub> (CTTT)<sub>3</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>4</sub>; SEQ ID NO 14(TTTC)<sub>4</sub> TTTT TT (CTTT)<sub>8</sub> (CTGT)<sub>5</sub> (CTTT)<sub>13</sub> (CTTC)<sub>4</sub> (CTTT)<sub>3</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>4</sub>; SEQ ID NO 15(TTTC)<sub>4</sub> TTTT TT (CTTT)<sub>11</sub> (CTGT)<sub>3</sub> (CTTT)<sub>14</sub> (CTTC)<sub>3</sub> (CTTT)<sub>3</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>4</sub>; SEQ ID NO 16(TTTC)<sub>4</sub> TTTT TT (CTTT)<sub>10</sub> (CTGT)<sub>5</sub> (CTTT)<sub>13</sub> (CTTC)<sub>4</sub> (CTTT)<sub>3</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>4</sub>; SEQ ID NO 17(TTTC)<sub>4</sub> TTTT TT (CTTT)<sub>12</sub> (CTGT)<sub>5</sub> (CTTT)<sub>14</sub> (CTTC)<sub>3</sub> (CTTT)<sub>3</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>4</sub>; SEQ ID NO 18(TTTC)<sub>2</sub> TTTT TT (CTTT)<sub>14</sub> (CTGT)<sub>3</sub> (CTTT)<sub>14</sub> (CTTC)<sub>4</sub> (CTTT)<sub>3</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>4</sub>; SEQ ID NO 19(TCTA)<sub>4</sub> (TCTG)<sub>6</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>6</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 20(TCTA)<sub>5</sub> (TCTG)<sub>6</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>9</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 21(TCTA)<sub>5</sub> (TCTG)<sub>6</sub> (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>10</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 22(TCTA)<sub>4</sub> (TCTG)<sub>6</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>8</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 23(TCTA)<sub>5</sub> (TCTG)<sub>5</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>9</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 24(TCTA)<sub>4</sub> (TCTG)<sub>6</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>10</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 25(TCTA)<sub>4</sub> (TCTG)<sub>6</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>11</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 26(TCTA)<sub>6</sub> (TCTG)<sub>5</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>11</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 27(TCTA)<sub>5</sub> (TCTG)<sub>6</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>12</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 28(TCTA)<sub>5</sub> (TCTG)<sub>6</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>11</sub> TA TCTA TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 29(TCTA)<sub>5</sub> (TCTG)<sub>6</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>12</sub> TA TCTA TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 30(TCTA)<sub>5</sub> (TCTG)<sub>6</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>13</sub> TA TCTA TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 31(TCTA)<sub>5</sub> (TCTG)<sub>6</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>14</sub> TATCTA TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 32(TCTA)<sub>10</sub> (TCTG)<sub>5</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>12</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 33(TCTA)<sub>11</sub> (TCTG)<sub>5</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>12</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 34(TCTA)<sub>11</sub> (TCTG)<sub>5</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA

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(TCTA)<sub>13</sub> TCGTCT; SEQ ID NO 35(TCTA)<sub>13</sub> (TCTG)<sub>5</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>12</sub> TCGTCT; and SEQ. ID NO: 36(AGAA)<sub>8</sub>-.

Grant Publication No: [8940484 B2](#)

## Relevant Grant Claim:

1. An isolated single stranded nucleic acid consisting of a sequence selected from: SEQ ID NO 1(TCTA TCTG TCTA (TCTG)<sub>4</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub>;-; SEQ ID NO 2(TCTA (TCTG)<sub>4</sub> (TCTA)<sub>7</sub>;-; SEQ ID NO 3(TCTA)<sub>2</sub> (TCTG)<sub>4</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub>, TCCA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub>;-; SEQ ID NO 4(TCAT)<sub>4</sub> CAT (TCAT)<sub>7</sub> TCGT TCAT-; SEQ ID NO 7(TTTC)<sub>3</sub> TTTT TTCT (CTTT)<sub>5</sub> T (CTTT)<sub>3</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>2</sub>;-; SEQ ID NO 8(TTTC)<sub>3</sub> TTTT TTCT (CTTT)<sub>13</sub> CCTT (CTTT)<sub>5</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>2</sub>;-; SEQ ID NO 9(TTTC)<sub>3</sub> TTTT TTCT (CTTT)<sub>16</sub> CCTT (CTTT)<sub>5</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>2</sub>;-; SEQ ID NO 10(TTTC)<sub>4</sub> TTTT TT (CTTT)<sub>15</sub> (CTTC)<sub>3</sub> (CTTT)<sub>3</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>4</sub>;-; SEQ ID NO 11(TTTC)<sub>4</sub> TTTT TT (CTTT)<sub>16</sub> (CTTC)<sub>3</sub> (CTTT)<sub>3</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>4</sub>;-; SEQ ID NO 12(TTTC)<sub>4</sub> TTTT TT (CTTT)<sub>17</sub> (CTTC)<sub>3</sub> (CTTT)<sub>3</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>4</sub>;-; SEQ ID NO 13(TTTC)<sub>4</sub> TTTT TT (CTTT)<sub>8</sub> (CTGT)<sub>4</sub> (CTTT)<sub>13</sub> (CTTC)<sub>4</sub> (CTTT)<sub>3</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>4</sub>;-; SEQ ID NO 14(TTTC)<sub>4</sub> TTTT TT (CTTT)<sub>8</sub> (CTGT)<sub>5</sub> (CTTT)<sub>13</sub> (CTTC)<sub>4</sub> (CTTT)<sub>3</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>4</sub>;-; SEQ ID NO 15(TTTC)<sub>4</sub> TTTT TT (CTTT)<sub>11</sub> (CTGT)<sub>3</sub> (CTTT)<sub>14</sub> (CTTC)<sub>3</sub> (CTTT)<sub>3</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>4</sub>;-; SEQ ID NO 16(TTTC)<sub>4</sub> TTTT TT (CTTT)<sub>10</sub> (CTCT)<sub>5</sub> (CTTT)<sub>13</sub> (CTTC)<sub>4</sub> (CTTT)<sub>3</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>4</sub>;-; SEQ ID NO 17(TTTC)<sub>4</sub> TTTT TT (CTTT)<sub>12</sub> (CTGT)<sub>5</sub> (CTTT)<sub>14</sub> (CTTC)<sub>3</sub> (CTTT)<sub>3</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>4</sub>;-; SEQ ID NO 18(TTTC)<sub>2</sub> TTTT TT (CTTT)<sub>14</sub> (CTGT)<sub>3</sub> (CTTT)<sub>14</sub> (CTTC)<sub>4</sub> (CTTT)<sub>3</sub> CTCC (TTCC)<sub>4</sub>;-; SEQ ID NO 19(TCTA)<sub>4</sub> (TCTG)<sub>6</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>6</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 20(TCTA)<sub>5</sub> (TCTG)<sub>6</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>9</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 21(TCIA)<sub>5</sub> (TCTG)<sub>6</sub> (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>10</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 22(TCTA)<sub>4</sub> (TCTG)<sub>6</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>8</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 23(TCTA)<sub>5</sub> (TCTG)<sub>5</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>9</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 24(TCTA)<sub>4</sub> (TCTG)<sub>6</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>10</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 25(TCTA)<sub>4</sub> (TCTG)<sub>6</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>11</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 26(TCTA)<sub>6</sub> (TCTG)<sub>5</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>11</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 27(TCTA)<sub>5</sub> (TCTG)<sub>6</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>12</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 28(TCTA)<sub>5</sub> (TCTG)<sub>6</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>11</sub> TA TCTA TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 29(TCTA)<sub>5</sub> (TCTG)<sub>6</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>12</sub> TA TCTA TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 30(TCTA)<sub>5</sub> (TCTG)<sub>6</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>13</sub> TA TCTA TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 31(TCTA)<sub>5</sub> (TCTG)<sub>6</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>14</sub> TATCTA TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 32(TCTA)<sub>10</sub> (TCTG)<sub>5</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>12</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 33(TCTA)<sub>11</sub> (TCTGT)<sub>5</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>12</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 34(TCIA)<sub>11</sub> (TCTG)<sub>5</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>13</sub> TCGTCT-; SEQ ID NO 35(TCTA)<sub>13</sub> (TCTG)<sub>5</sub> (TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TA

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(TCTA)<sub>3</sub> TCA (TCTA)<sub>2</sub> TCCATA (TCTA)<sub>12</sub> TCGTCT;and SEQ. ID NO: 36(AGAA)<sub>8</sub>- wherein the isolated single-stranded nucleic acid is covalently labeled with a dye.

## Amendment type: Label

Notes: The *Myriad*-based rejection was initially raised in a non-final rejection (11 September 2013). The addition of the highlighted text was made in response to that rejection, albeit without the term “covalently”. Since the next office action (final rejection of 21 February 2014) did not reiterate the *Myriad*-based rejection, this amended appeared to transform the claim into patent eligible subject matter. A non-final office action (3 June 2014), however, raised the issue again against the amended claim. In this non-final office action, the examiner applied new guidelines on subject matter eligibility. The examiner found the label did not make the product ‘markedly different’ from that in nature and that the addition of a label did not “impose meaningful limit” on the claim’s scope. That the label must be “covalently labelled” was an examiner’s amendment, made in the notice of allowance (12 September 2014).

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## 17. Title: Human Immunodeficiency Virus And Uses Thereof

Application Publication No: [2011/0281258 A1](#)

Application No: 13/028,816

Relevant Claim:

1. An isolated complete nucleic acid of the HIV-1 Group P virus wherein the nucleic acid comprises SEQ ID NO: 1.

Grant Publication No: [9150834 B2](#)

Relevant Grant Claim:

1. An isolated nucleic acid of an HIV-1 Group P virus, wherein the nucleic acid consists of SEQ ID NO: 1 and the isolated nucleic acid is labeled with a radioactive compound or with a nonradioactive compound.

## Amendment type: Label

Notes: In response to the *Myriad*-based rejection, the applicant initially tried to overcome the rejection by arguing that SEQ ID NO: 1 is isolated proviral DNA (a DNA form of the RNA-based virus that exists when integrated in a host-cell genome). Further, the applicant argued that since the purpose of integration into a cell is to ultimately replicate itself, if the DNA is isolated (as in the claim) then the DNA no longer has this function (see applicant arguments, 24 July 2014). The examiner rejected this argument because the HIV genome is transcribed/reverse transcribed as “both RNA and DNA so it does not appear that amending to a specific nucleic acid will remove the rejection.”

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## Type 5: Vector

18. Title: Method For Predicting And Detecting Tumor Metastasis

Application Publication No: [2011/0152355 A1](#)

Application No: 13/006,603

Relevant Claim:

37. An isolated nucleic acid consisting of a nucleic acid sequence that only encodes the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2.

(The claims in this application were amended many times during prosecution. This claim first appeared in this form 9 October 2012. This is the first-listed isolated-nucleotide claim that received a *Myriad*-based rejection).

Grant Publication No: [8816059 B2](#)

Relevant Grant Claim:

2. A **vector comprising a nucleic** acid consisting of a nucleic acid sequence that only encodes the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2.

**Amendment type: Vector**

Notes: Claims to cDNA for the same sequence were also made. These cDNA claims, however, were added part way through prosecution.

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## Type 6: Recombination with non-specific regulatory nucleic acid

### 19. Title: Polynucleotides Encoding Proteins Involved In Plant Metabolism

Application Publication No: [2013/0007912 A1](#)

Application No:

Relevant Claim:

1. An isolated polynucleotide comprising:
  - (a) a nucleotide sequence encoding a polypeptide, wherein the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide has at least 90% sequence identity, based on the Clustal alignment method with pairwise alignment default parameters of KTUPLE=1, GAP PENALTY=3, WINDOW=5 and DIAGONALS SAVED=5, with SEQ ID NO:2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 50, 52, 54, 56, 58, 60, 62, 64, 66, 68, 70, 72, 74, 76, 78, 80, 82, 84, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 96, 98, 100, 102, 104, 106, 108, 110, 112, 114, 116, 118, 120, 122, 124, 126, 128, 130, 132, 134, 136, 138, 140, 142, 144, 146, 148, 150, 152, 154, 156, 158, 160, 162, 164, 166, 168, 170, 172, 174, 176, 178, 180, 182, 184, 186, 188, 190, 192, 194, 196, 198, 200, 202, 204, 206, 208, 210, 212, 214, 216, 218, 220, 222, 224, 226, 228, 230, 232, 234, 236, 238, 240, 242, 244, 246, 248, 250, 252, 254, 256, 258, 260, 262, 264, 266, 268, 270, 272, 274, 276, 278, 280, 282, 284, 286, 288, 290, 292, 294, 296, 298, 300, 302, 304, 306, 308, 310, 312, 314, 316, 318, 320, 322, 324, 326, 328, 330, 332, 334, 336, 338, 340, 342, 344, 346, 348, 350, 352, 354, 356, 358, 360, or 362; or
  - (b) a complement of the nucleotide sequence of (a), wherein the complement and the nucleotide sequence consist of the same number of nucleotides and are 100% complementary.

Grant Publication No: [8658858 B2](#)

Relevant Grant Claim:

1. A recombinant DNA construct comprising:
  - (a) a nucleotide sequence encoding a phosphatidylinositol transfer polypeptide, wherein the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide has at least 90% sequence identity, based on the Clustal alignment method with pairwise alignment default parameters of KTUPLE=1, GAP PENALTY=3, WINDOW=5 and DIAGONALS SAVED=5, with SEQ ID NO:320; or
  - (b) a complement of the nucleotide sequence of (a), wherein the complement and the nucleotide sequence consist of the same number of nucleotides and are 100% complementary, and wherein the nucleotide sequence is operably linked to at least one regulatory sequence.

### **Amendment type: Non-specific recombination**

Notes: The *Myriad*-based rejection was raised in an examiner-initiated interview (8 August 2013), when the applicant also authorised the examiner-suggested amendment.

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## Type 7: Nucleic acid with non-naturally occurring sequence variations and a negative-claim clause

20. Title: Methods And Nucleic Acids For Analyses Of Cellular Proliferative Disorders

Application Publication No: [2011/0244458 A1](#)

Application No: 13/096,932

Relevant Claim:

2. A treated nucleic acid derived from genomic SEQ ID NOS:1 to SEQ ID NO:3, SEQ ID NO:24, SEQ ID NO:28, SEQ ID NOS:159 to SEQ ID NO:167, wherein the treatment is suitable to convert at least one unmethylated cytosine base of the genomic DNA sequence to uracil or another base that is detectably dissimilar to cytosine in terms of hybridization.

Grant Publication No: [8900829 B2](#)

Relevant Grant Claim:

1. An isolated nucleic acid molecule selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOs: 30, 31, 42, and 43, wherein the nucleic acid molecule is not identical or complementary to all or a portion of SEQ ID NO: 24 or other naturally occurring DNA.

**Amendment type: Modification with negative claim**

Notes: The applicant supported this amendment by pointing out that SEQ ID NOs: 30, 31, 42 and 43 were created through bisulfite treatment of genomic DNA consisting of SEQ ID NO 24. Bisulfite treatment converts unmethylated cytosines to uracil, creating nucleic acid molecules that do not exist in nature (see applicant arguments, 18 April 2014).

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## Type 8: Short nucleotide

### 21. Title: Spanx-b Polypeptides And Their Use

Application Publication No: [2011/0318374 A1](#) (note: this link does not contain a pdf of the application, instead, see Google patents: [2011/0318374 A1](#)).

Application No: 13/203,042

Relevant Claim:

17. An isolated polynucleotide comprising a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide of claim 13.

(Claim 13: An isolated polypeptide comprising: the amino acid sequence set forth as (a) SEQ ID NO: 2, SEQ ID NO: 4, SEQ ID NO: 1, SEQ ID NO: 26, SEQ ID NO: 27, or SEQ ID NO: 28; or

(b) at least nine consecutive amino acids of SEQ ID NO: 7, SEQ ID NO: 8, SEQ ID NO: 9, SEQ ID NO: 14, SEQ ID NO: 15, or SEQ ID NO: 5; wherein the polypeptide is nine to twelve amino acids in length.)

Grant Publication No: [8664183 B2](#)

Relevant Grant Claim:

8. An isolated polynucleotide comprising a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide of claim 6.

(Claim 6: An isolated polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence set forth as SEQ ID NO: 2, wherein the polypeptide is nine to twelve amino acids in length.)

### **Type: Short nucleic acid**

Notes: During an applicant-initiated interview the parties discussed the applicability of *Myriad* to application claim 17 (10 July 2013). The examiner indicated that the claim would not receive a *Myriad*-based objection because “the polynucleotides would not naturally encode a 9-12-mer as recited in [application] claim 13.”

Application claim 13 was amended during prosecution due to a restriction requirement (see applicant arguments (30 October 2012) and requirement for restriction/election (1 October 2012)).

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## Cancelled

22. Title: Tumor Antigens Bfa4 And Bcy1 For Prevention And / Or Treatment Of Cancer

Application Publication No: [US2011/0117640A1 A1](#)

Application No: 12/888,975

Relevant Claim:

1. An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising SEQ ID NO.: 3.

Grant Publication No: [8946174 B2](#)

Relevant Grant Claim: N/A

**Amendment type: Cancelled.**

Notes: The granted patent claims vectors in various forms, including a claim to a 'vector comprising the nucleic acid consisting of SEQ ID NO.:3.' It also claims pharmaceutical compositions with a vector as part of the composition.

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23. Title: Method For The Detection And Diagnosis Of Cancer Involving Primers And Probes For The Specific Detection Of The Mage-a3-marker

Application Publication No: [2012/0040341 A1](#)

Application No: 12/305,742

Relevant Claim:

1. A set of primers consisting of the pair of primers SEQ ID NO:11 and SEQ ID NO:12.

Grant Publication No: [8936919 B2](#)

Relevant Grant Claim: N/A

**Amendment type: Cancelled.**

Note: Initially the applicant attempted to overcome the *Myriad*-based objection by arguing that the claim was to a *particular set of two* isolated nucleic acid molecules (applicant arguments, 7 May 2014). The examiner rejected this argument because primers, even as a set, are not structurally different from their natural counterparts (final rejection, 6 August 2014).

Although this claim was cancelled, the granted patent included claims to probes (with fluorescent dye), methods of diagnoses and kits (with primers and probes) were granted.

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24. Title: Nucleic Acids Encoding Biologically Active Polypeptides Derived From A Novel Early Stage Pregnancy Factor Designated Maternin (ma)

Application Publication No: [2012/0083587 A1](#)

Application No: 13/159,285

Relevant Claim:

1. An isolated nucleic acid encoding a therapeutic polypeptide selected from the group consisting of:
  - (a) a polypeptide selected from the group consisting of:

(SEQ ID NO: 2)(i)MA peptide; (SEQ ID NO: 3)(ii)pMA peptide;  
(b) a polypeptide comprising one or more amino acid sequences selected from the group consisting of:

- (i) the amino acid sequence of MA (SEQ ID NO: 2);
- (ii) the amino acid sequence of pMA (SEQ ID NO: 3);
- (iii) the amino acid sequence of MA<sub>S1</sub> (SEQ ID NO: 4);
- (iv) the amino acid sequence of MA<sub>S2</sub> (SEQ ID NO: 5);
- (v) the amino acid sequence of MA<sub>S3</sub> (SEQ ID NO: 6);
- (vi) the amino acid sequence of MA<sub>S5</sub> (SEQ ID NO: 7);
- (vii) the amino acid sequence of MA<sub>S9</sub> (SEQ ID NO: 8);
- (viii) the amino acid sequence of MA<sub>S10</sub> (SEQ ID NO: 9);
- (ix) the amino acid sequence of MA<sub>S11</sub> (SEQ ID NO: 10);
- (x) the amino acid sequence of  $\beta$ -hCG 55-88 (SEQ ID NO: 11);
- (xi) the amino acid sequence of  $\beta$ -hCG 55-90 (SEQ ID NO: 12);
- (xii) the amino acid sequence of  $\beta$ -hCG 55-91 (SEQ ID NO: 13);
- (xiii) the amino acid sequence of  $\beta$ -hCG 55-74 (SEQ ID NO: 14);
- (xiv) the amino acid sequence of  $\beta$ -hCG 6-37 (SEQ ID NO: 15);
- (xv) the amino acid sequence of  $\beta$ -hCG 6-38 (SEQ ID NO: 16);
- (xvi) the amino acid sequence of  $\beta$ -hCG 6-39 (SEQ ID NO: 17);
- (xvii) the amino acid sequence of  $\beta$ -hCG 6-40 (SEQ ID NO: 18); and

(c) functional equivalents of the polypeptides of 1(a) and (b);

With the proviso that 1(b), and 1(c) exclude the full length sequence of (SEQ ID NO: 1).

Grant Publication No: [9175077 B2](#)

Relevant Grant Claim: N/A

**Amendment type: Cancelled.**

Notes: The non-final rejection that included the *Myriad*-based rejection (19 December 2013) was made *after* a notice of allowance (13 June 2013) had been issued.

The applicant attempted to overcome the rejection by amending the claim to state the isolated nucleic acid is “operationally linked to a promoter” (applicant arguments, 18 June 2014); this amendment was modelled on an examiner-suggested amendment, “operably linked to a heterologous promoter” (non-final rejection, 19 December 2013). The applicant’s amendment, however, was rejected because it is “well-known that various promoters and enhancers are present in the human genome and facilitate the expression of various gene products” (final rejection, 9 October 2014). The examiner reiterated that if the nucleic acid were linked to a *heterologous* promoter that this would be patent eligible (final rejection, 9 October 2014). The applicant did not adopt this amendment, instead, cancelling the claim.

Although this claim was cancelled, the granted patent claimed a vector including a nucleic acid sequence that that encoded a polypeptide of SEQ ID No 2. Claims were also granted to cells comprising this vector.

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