In re application of
Yoji IKAWA et al.

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For: HUMAN p51 GENES AND GENE PRODUCTS THEREOF

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This response is to the Restriction Requirement set forth in the Office Action dated April 27, 2001.

Claims 1-18 are pending in the application.

On page 2 of the Office Action, restriction is required as between the following two Examiner-defined groups:

I. claims 9-14, drawn to a protein, classified in class 530, subclass 350, and
II. claims 1-8 and 15-18, drawn to a gene and a method of making a protein, classified in class 536, subclass 23.1

In response, Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, Group II, claims 1-8 and 15-18.

Respectfully submitted,

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