APPENDIX A

	Statement Regarding Prior Art	Specification Cite ¹
1.	The prior art to the patents-in-suit is "rich in patent and	Col. 2, lns. 39-59.
	literature publications relating to 'recombinant DNA'	
	methodologies for the isolation, synthesis, purification and	
	amplification of genetic materials for use in transformation	
	of selected host organisms."	
2.	"Manufacture of DNA sequences is frequently the method	Col. 3, lns. 22-24.
	of choice when the entire sequence of amino acid residues	
	of the desired polypeptide product is known."	
3.	An approach to microbiological processing known in the	Col. 2, lns. 27-38.
	prior art to the patents-in-suit is "a gene that specifies the	
	structure of a desired polypeptide product is either isolated	
	from a 'donor organism' or chemically synthesized and	
	then stably introduced into another organism which is	
	preferably a self-replicating unicellular organism such as	
	bacteria, yeast or mammalian cells in culture. Once this is	
	done, the existing machinery for gene expression in the	
	'transformed' or 'transfected' microbial host cells operates	
	to construct the desired product, using the exogenous	
	DNA as a template for transcription of mRNA which is	
	then translated into a continuous sequence of amino acid	

¹ All specifications cited refer to U.S. Patent No. 5,441,868.

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	residues."	
4.	DNA manufacturing procedures taught in the prior art to	Col. 3, lns. 22-47.
	the patents-in-suit "provide a superior means for	
	accomplishing such highly desirable results as" ease in	
	assembly of expression vectors capable of providing high	
	levels of microbial expression.	
5.	DNA manufacturing procedures of the prior art to the	Col. 3, lns. 22-47.
	patents-in-suit "provide a superior means for	
	accomplishing such highly desirable results as:	
	providing for ready insertion of the DNA in convenient	
	expression vectors in association with desired	
	promoter/regulator and terminator sequences"	
6.	"Among the more significant recent advances in	Col. 4, lns. 22-32.
	hybridization procedures [in the prior art to the patents-in-	
	suit] for the screening of recombinant clones is the use of	
	labeled mixed synthetic oligonucleotide probes, each of	
	which is potentially the complete complement of a specific	
	DNA sequence in the hybridization sample including a	
	heterogeneous mixture of single stranded DNAs or RNAs.	
	These procedures are acknowledged to be especially	
	useful in the detection of cDNA clones derived from	
	sources which provide extremely low amounts of mRNA	

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	sequences for the polypeptide of interest."	
7.	"In general, the mixed probe procedures [of the prior art to	Col. 4, lns. 44-54.
	the patents-in-suit] have been expanded upon by various	
	workers to the point where reliable results have reportedly	
	been obtained in a cDNA clone isolation using a 32	
	member mixed "pool" of 16-base-long (16-mer)	
	oligonucleotide probes of uniformly, varying DNA	
	sequences together with a single 11-mer to effect a two-	
	site 'positive' confirmation of the presence of cDNA of	
	interest."	
8.	"[R]eliable procedures exist[ing] for developing phage-	Col. 4, lns. 61-64.
	borne libraries of genomic DNA of human and other	
	mammalian species origins" are described in the prior art	
	to the patents-in-suit.	
9.	"[Prior art to the patents-in-suit] report the successful	Col. 5, lns. 7-14.
	isolation of a gene coding for the alpha subunit of the	
	human pituitary glycoprotein hormones from the Maniatis	
	Library through use of a "full length" probe including a	
	complete 621 base pair fragment of a previously-isolated	
	cDNA sequence for the alpha subunit."	
10	. "[Prior art to the patents-in-suit] report isolation of human	Col. 5, lns. 14-17.
	genomic clones for human HLA-DR using a 175 base pair	

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synthetic oligonucleotide."	
11. "[Prior art to the patents-in-suit] report the isolation of	Col. 5, lns. 17-22.
genomic clone for bovine pancreatic trypsin inhibitor	
(BPTI) using a single probe 86 base pairs in length and	
constructed according to the known amino acid sequence	
of BPTI."	
12. The prior art to the patents-in-suit taught "[e]rythropoiesis,	Col. 5, lns. 58-66.
the production of red blood cells, occurs continuously	
throughout the human life span to offset cell destruction.	
Erythropoiesis is a very precisely controlled physiological	
mechanism enabling sufficient numbers of red blood cells	
to be available in the blood for proper tissue oxygenation,	
but not so many that the cells would impede circulation.	
The formation of red blood cells occurs in the bone	
marrow and is under the control of the hormone,	
erythropoietin."	
13. The prior art to the patents-in-suit taught "[e]rythropoietin,	Cols. 5-6, lns. 67-11.
an acidic glycoprotein of approximately 34,000 dalton	
molecular weight, may occur in three forms: α , β and	
asialo. The α and β forms differ slightly in carbohydrate	
components[, but] have the same potency, biological	
activity and molecular weight. The asialo form is an α or	

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α form with the terminal carbohydrate (sialic acid)	
removed. Erythropoietin is present in very low	
concentrations in plasma when the body is in a healthy	
state wherein tissues receive sufficient oxygenation from	
the existing number of erythrocytes. This normal low	
concentration is enough to stimulate replacement of red	
blood cells which are lost normally through aging."	
14. The prior art to the patents-in-suit taught that "[b]ecause	Col. 6, lns. 42-46.
erythropoietin is essential in the process of red blood cell	
formation, the hormone has potential useful application in	
both the diagnosis and the treatment of blood disorders	
characterized by low or defective red blood cell	
production."	
15. "[Prior art to the patents-in-suit described] a therapeutic	Col. 6, lns. 46-57.
regimen for uremic sheep based on in vivo response to	
erythropoietin-rich plasma infusions and proposing a	
dosage of 10 U EPO/kg per day for 15-40 days as	
corrective of anemia of the type associated with chronic	
renal failure."	
16. "[Prior art to the patents-in-suit] describes a method for	Col. 7, lns. 23-25.
partially purifying erythropoietin from sheep blood plasma	
which provides low yields of a crude solid extract	

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containing erythropoietin."	
17. Prior art to the patents-in-suit taught a method of purifying	Col. 7, lns. 35-42.
human erythropoietin from urine of patients with aplastic	
anemia, which is described in Miyake, et al., J.	
Biol.Chem., Vol. 252, No. 15 Aug. 10, 1977), pp. 5558-	
5564. "This seven-step procedure includes ion exchange	
chromatography, ethanol precipitation, gel filtration, and	
adsorption chromatography, and yields a pure	
erythropoietin preparation with a potency of 70,400	
units/mg of protein in 21% yield."	
18. "[Prior art to the patents-in-suit] describes a process for	Col. 7, lns. 49-60.
the production of hybrid human lymphoblastoid cells,	
reporting production levels ranging from 3 to 420 Units of	
erythropoietin per ml of suspension of cells (distributed	
into the cultures after mammalian host propagation	
containing) up to 10^7 cells per ml. At the highest	
production levels asserted to have been obtained, the rate	
of erythropoietin production could be calculated to be	
from 40 to about 4,000 units/ 10^6 cells/48 hours in in vitro	
culture following transfer of cells from in vivo propagation	
systems."	
19. A detailed description of the preparation and use of a	Col. 8, lns. 22-44.

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monoclonal, anti-erythropoietin antibody appears in the	
prior art to the patents-in-suit.	
20. "[In the prior art to the patents-in-suit, the] polypeptide	Col. 9, lns. 17-25.
sequence [of the] first twenty amino acid residues of	
mature human erythropoietin isolated according to the	
method of Miyake, et al., J.Biol.Chem., 252, 5558-5564	
(1977) and upon which amino acid analysis was performed	
by the gas phase sequencer (Applied Biosystems, Inc.)	
according to the procedure of Hewick, M., et al.,	
J.Biol.Chem., 256, 7990-7997 (1981)."	
21. With respect to the prior art to the patents-in-suit "[w]hile	Col. 9, lns. 31-38.
polyclonal and monoclonal antibodies as described above	
provide highly useful materials for use in immunoassays	
for detection and quantification of erythropoietin and can	
be useful in the affinity purification of erythropoietin, it	
appears unlikely that these materials can readily provide	
for large scale isolation of quantities of erythropoietin	
from mammalian sources sufficient for further analysis"	
22. The prior art to the patents-in-suit "reported the in vitro	Col. 10, Ins. 18-31
translation of human kidney mRNA by frog oocytes. The	
resultant translation product mixture was estimated to	
include on the order of 220 mU of a translation product	

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having the activity of erythropoietin per microgram of	
injected mRNA. While such levels of in vitro translation	
of exogenous mRNA coding for erythropoietin were	
acknowledged to be quite low (compared even to the prior	
reported levels of baboon mRNA translation into the	
sought-for product) it was held that the results confirm the	
human kidney as a site of erythropoietin expression,	
allowing for the construction of an enriched human kidney	
cDNA library from which the desired gene might be	
isolated.	
23. "[The prior art to the patents-in-suit described] expression	Col. 26, lns. 59-65.
systems employing Chinese hamster ovary (CHO) DHFR	
cells and the selectable marker, DHFR."	
24. "CHO DHFR cells (DuX-B11) CHO K1 cells,	Cols. 26-27, lns. 66-3.
lack[ing] the enzyme dihydrofolate reductase (DHFR) due	
to mutations in the structural genes and therefore	
requir[ing] the presence of glycine, hypoxanthine, and	
thymidine in the culture media" were described in the	
prior art to the patents-in-suit.	

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