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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

    Appl. No. 08/483,554; Filed: June 7, 1995
    For: 17q-Linked Breast and Ovarian Cancer Susceptibility Gene
    Inventor(s): Skolnick, et al.
    Our Ref: 05371.0008.999

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) are the following documents:

1. Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.14(e)(1) for Access to, and Copy of File Wrapper Contents of, Allowed Pending Application (Appl. No. 08/483,554) (in duplicate);
3. Redacted copy of Settlement Agreement (8 pages);
4. Redacted copy of Interinstitutional Agreement (12 pages);
5. Copy of Miki et al., Science 266:66-71 (October 7, 1994);
6. Certificate of Service; and
7. Return post card.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier.
Petitioner, OncorMed, Inc. ("OncorMed"), hereby requests under 37 C.F.R. § 1.14(e)(1) access to, and a copy of the application file wrapper contents of, allowed pending application number 08/483,554, filed June 7, 1995. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) is hereby authorized to charge the petition fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i), and the fee for the copy of the file wrapper contents set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.119(b)(2), to Deposit Account No. 08-3038. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

As detailed in the enclosed Petition, the assignees of the above-captioned application are using it, and others, to interfere with the Petitioner's business, a "special circumstance" warranting access by Petitioner to this application. Due to the impending litigation deadline described in the enclosed Petition, the PTO is requested to expedite action on this Petition as it is a matter of extreme urgency.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures