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Through the work of Dr. Cotropia, BioClonetics has achieved the production of the human cell lines described in the above referenced publications. Dr. Cotropia has had extensive training in both clinical research and academic medicine environments, and has been involved primarily in the immunological aspects of health care at local, state, and national levels. He has been a researcher and reviewer of pre-clinical biologic protocols at the United States Food and Drug Administration and is therefore familiar with all of the aspects of federal regulatory controls regarding investigation of new drugs and licensing of biological products.

Clone 3 Antibody, a human monoclonal antibody created by this principal investigator, defines a conserved neutralizable epitope on HIV-1 envelop gp41, and therefore potentially provides an efficacious passive immunotherapeutic modality

with broadly neutralizing capability directed against geographically diverse HIV-1 clinical isolates. Added financial support will permit accelerated discoveries and results in the immediate future when the proposed research and development are continued at BioClonetics.

Presently, collaborative studies are expanding the characterization of a panel of human monoclonal antibodies directed against HIV-1, as described in the proposed pre-clinical in vitro studies.

In vivo collaborative studies for Clone 3 Antibody are planned in collaboration through Ellen Vitetta, Ph.D. (Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, Texas) in newborn rhesus macaques primate studies, followed by human clinical trials that will be conducted by with Yvonne Bryson, M.D. (Chief of Pediatrics UCLA) to validate the efficacy of neutralizing human monoclonal anti-HIV antibodies for blocking maternal to fetal transmission of HIV-1.

BioClonetics has been granted 4 U.S. patents and 1 European patent on the Clone 3 hybridoma cell line, anti-gp41 human monoclonal antibody and the use of the Clone 3 epitope in the production of a vaccine against HIV/AIDS.