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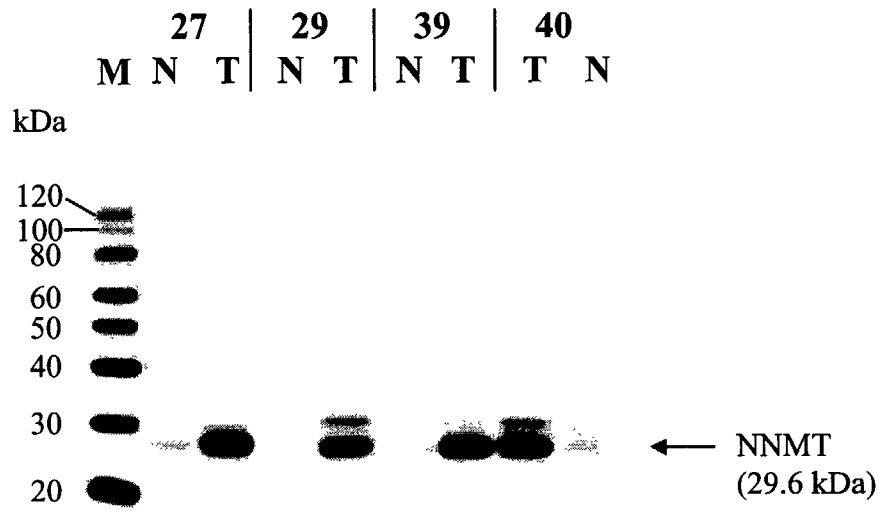
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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to the diagnosis of colorectal cancer. It discloses the use of the protein nicotinamide N-methyltransferase (NNMT) in the diagnosis of colorectal cancer. It relates to a method for diagnosis of colorectal cancer from a liquid sample, derived from an individual by measuring NNMT in said sample. Measurement of NNMT can, e.g., be used in the early detection or diagnosis of colorectal cancer.

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