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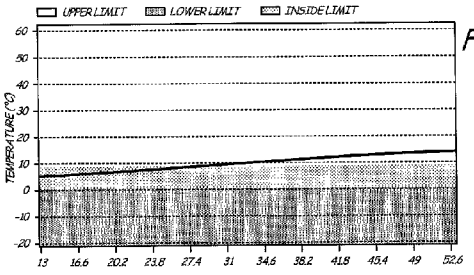


Fig. 1A

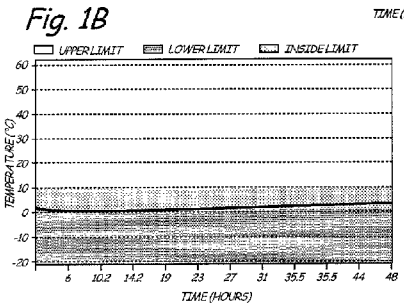


Fig. 1B

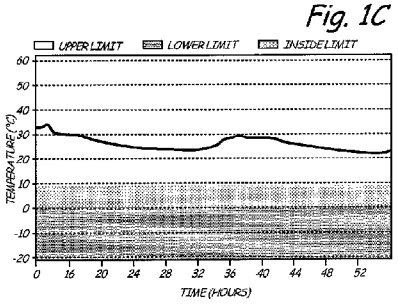


Fig. 1C

(57) **Abstract**: The present invention includes methods for handling live cell compositions in non- nutritive buffer. The cells in the compositions maintain their identity and functional characteristics after being stored in non-nutrititive media up to about 72 hours. The storage method enables the cells to be manufactured at a processing facility and shipped to a point of care site. The invention also includes compositions that have been stored in non-nutritive buffer at storage temperatures while maintaining the functional characteristics.

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