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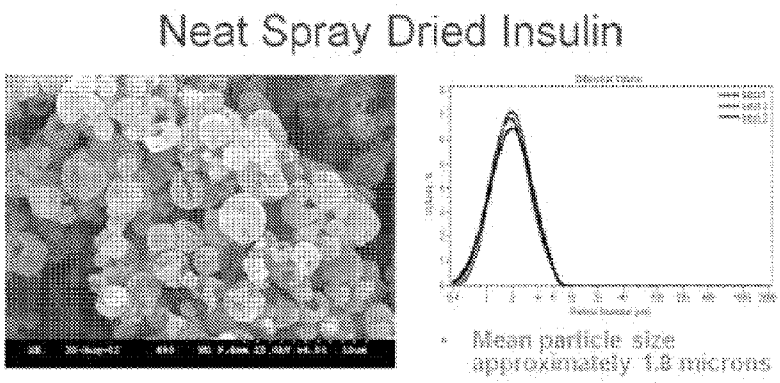


FIGURE 1

(57) Abstract: The described invention provides compositions and methods for preventing or treating a disease, condition, or pathologic process characterized by aberrant fibroblast proliferation and extracellular matrix deposition in a tissue of a subject. The method includes administering a therapeutic amount of a pharmaceutical composition comprising a polypeptide having the amino acid sequence YARAAARQARAKALARQLGVAA (SEQ ID NO: 1) or functional equivalent thereof, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

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