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Dear Sir/Madam,

Patent Application No.: 10201601754R
Title of invention: A TYPE OF BAK KUT TEH DRINK
Applicant(s): WEE LIANG CHIEH

Notice of Eligibility for Grant

We are pleased to inform you that the patent application is eligible for grant. Please find the Examination Report enclosed for your reference.

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Application No.

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Application filing date
07/03/2016

(Earliest) Priority Date
24/09/2015

Examiner's Reference Number
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1. This Examination Report is issued under Section 29(5) of the *Patents Act* with effect from 14/02/2014.

2. This report contains indications relating to the following items:

- I ☒ Basis of the report
- II ☐ Priority
- III ☐ Non-establishment of report with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- IV ☐ Unity of invention
- V ☒ Reasoned statement with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- VI ☐ Defects in the form or contents of the application
- VII ☐ Clarity, Clear and Complete Disclosure, and Support
- VIII ☐ Double patenting

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4. This report does not contain any unresolved objection.

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I. Basis of the report

1. This report has been drawn on the basis of:

- ☒ the **description**,
page(s) 1-5 as originally filed
- ☒ the **claim(s)**,
no. 1-3 filed with the response to the written opinion dated 02/01/2019
- ☒ and in consideration of the **response to the written opinion(s)**

2. ☐ This report has been established based on the exclusion of additional matter beyond the earlier application, as indicated in the supplemental box.

3. ☐ This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the supplemental box.

4. Additional observations, if necessary:

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**V. Reasoned statement with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability;
Citation and explanation supporting such statement**

Statement with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability

Novelty (N)	Claim(s)	1-3	YES
	Claim(s)	NONE	NO
Inventive Step (IS)	Claim(s)	1-3	YES
	Claim(s)	NONE	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claim(s)	1-3	YES
	Claim(s)	NONE	NO

1. Citations

The following citations are referred to in this report. Full bibliographic details are provided in the Search Report:

- D1 – CN 104872604 A
(the original non-English language document was used for the purpose of establishing the report)
- D2 – CN 103315080 A
(the original non-English language document was used for the purpose of establishing the report)
- D3 – CN 101518344 A
(the original non-English language document was used for the purpose of establishing the report)
- D4 – CN 104273544 A
(the original non-English language document was used for the purpose of establishing the report)

D1 discloses a seasoning composite made from Su powder, jujube powder, wolfberry powder, pork, pea sprouts, white soup ribs, pig bone meal, konjac flour, jade bamboo, turtle shell, Magnolia flowers, sesame leaves, kudzu leaves, Angelica, butter, maltodextrin, ginger, garlic powder, salt, black garlic nutrient solution and mulberry wine.

D2 discloses a porcine bone powder tea beverage for lowering blood pressure, comprising green tea, porcine bone, Ganoderic, sunflower, gaiguo leaves, eucommia, longevity fruit, fig, Emblica officinal, citric acid, vitamin C, glucose and natural essences.

D3 discloses a drink made from the lamb, haggis, sheep brain flowers, ovine bone and angelica, ginger, drynaria, Maslinic, fish, soybean, wolfberry, shiitake, cumin, chrysanthemum, arrowroot and vinegar.

D4 discloses a bak kut teh drink made from goose, pork ribs, angelica, wolfberry, Zhu Yu, Codonopsis, cinnamon, seven cows, Rehmannia ginseng, licorice, Chuanxiong, octagonal, fennel, Hong Gui, clove, garlic and pepper.

2. Novelty (Section 14 of the Patents Act)

Claim 1 is a product-by-process claim and is construed as a claim to the product *per se*.

The subject-matter of claims 1-3 appears to be novel because it is not disclosed by any of the cited documents independently.



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3. Inventive Step (Section 15 of the *Patents Act*)

The subject-matter of claims 1-3 appears to be inventive.

Claim 1 is directed to a bak kut teh drink. None of the cited documents describes or teaches a drink comprising all the ingredients and respective proportions as defined in claim 1 and thus it cannot be obvious to a person skilled in the art to arrive at the claimed drink based on the cited documents, when taken individually or in any combination. Claim 1 and its dependent claims 2-3 therefore involve an inventive step.

4. Industrial Applicability (Section 16 of the *Patents Act*)

Claims 1-3 are considered to be industrially applicable.

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