



DECLARATION

which under Rule 45 of the European Patent Convention EP 00 97 4168 shall be considered, for the purposes of subsequent proceedings, as the European search report

The Search Division considers that the present application, does not comply with the provisions of the EPC to such an extent that it is not possible to carry out a meaningful search into the state of the art on the basis of all claims

Reason:

The present application contains 17 independent claims of the same category. The different selection of features present in each of these claims together with the large number of them renders impossible to identify the subject-matter of the invention.

Thus, it appears to be impossible to determine the matter for which protection is sought and therefore the present application fails to comply with the clarity and conciseness requirements of Article 84 EPC (see also Rule 29(5) EPC) to such an extent that a meaningful search is impossible. Consequently, no search report can be established for the present application.

The applicant's attention is drawn to the fact that a search may be carried out during examination following a declaration of no search under Rule 45 EPC, should the problems which led to the declaration being issued be overcome (see EPC Guideline C-VI, 8.5).

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CLASSIFICATION OF THE APPLICATION (Int.Cl.7)

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#### 摘要(译)

一种用于收集，存储和显示皮肤病学图像的系统，用于监测和诊断皮肤状况和皮肤癌，包括黑素瘤。手持单元照亮患者皮肤的一部分，并且成像装置从来自皮肤部分的光产生成像信号。手持单元中的成对光输出端口被布置成使得它们的强度分布在它们的半强度水平处重叠，使得它们的强度的总和具有平坦的中心区域。维护三个图像存储器，一个用于病变图像，一个用于“附近皮肤”图像，一个用于参考白色图像。系统软件使用“附近皮肤”图像来自动确定皮肤/病变边界。参考白色图像用于设置仪器的动态范围并补偿光照不规则性。可以同时显示在不同时间拍摄的相同病变的两个图像，从而可以确定病变的变化。校准系统的设计使得在相同规格的多台机器中的任何一台上获取的图像数据将被校正回公共参考标准，以确保色彩再现的绝对准确性。

