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RETROVIRAL GENE TRANSFER VECTORS.

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RETROVIRALE GENTRANSFERVEKTOREN.

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VECTEURS RETROVIRAUX DE TRANSFERT GENETIQUE.

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[origin: WO8600922A1] Recombinant DNA constructs include 5' and 3' retroviral LTR sequences, a genome packaging sequence, a promoter sequence and a eukaryotic cDNA sequence under the promotional control of the promoter sequence. By making the retroviral sequences of the construct deficient in coat protein-encoding sequences, the construct is by itself incapable of packaging its genome as a retroviral. The promoter sequence may be a viral LTR sequence. Alternatively the promoter sequence may be a nonviral promoter linked to the cDNA sequence, promoting the cDNA irrespective of cellular mechanisms which affect viral sequence expression. The retroviral genomes corresponding to the constructs are rescued as complete packaged virions by helper virus vectors which encode the coat proteins that are needed to package the genomes corresponding to the constructs. Helper virus vectors that are deficient in packaging sequences do not package their own genomes, and cells incorporating such a deficient helper virus vector and also a construct shed only retrovirions that are infectious a single time. Helper viral vectors which produce amphotropic proteins package recombinant retrovirions that are infective of cells of a variety of species. Cells infected with recombinant retrovirions are transplantable into an animal to comprise a portion of the somatic cells of the animal and express recombinant gene product therein. Recombinant retrovirions according to the invention, if inoculated into the peripheral fluid of a host animal, will infect and genetically alter the somatic cells of the animal.

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