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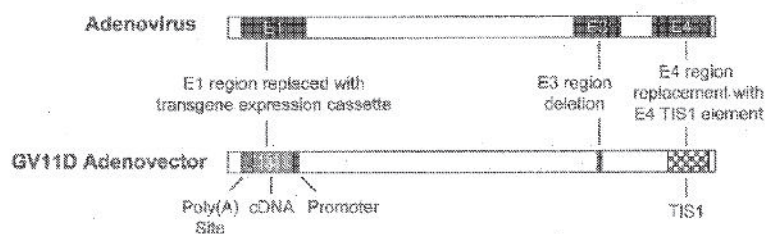
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Figure 2



(57) Abstract: The invention is directed to a replication-deficient adenoviral vector comprising a nucleic acid sequence encoding a human atonal homolog-1 (Hath1) protein operably linked to a human glial fibrillary acidic protein (GFAP) promoter. The invention also is directed to a composition and method utilizing the adenoviral vector to generate sensory cells in the inner ear of a human.