Some examples of the applications of the lentiviral vector preparations in research:

- 1. Specific gene silencing of the target genes of interest in functional studies, and/or confirmation of the knockout mice phenotype, and validation of the candidate gene/protein revealed by proteomic and microarray data.
- 2. Over-expression of full-length cDNA or mutant cDNA of the gene interest in functional studies, and gene rescue experiments.
- 3. Generation of novel stable cell lines that harbor mutations, WT cDNA or shRNA of the target gene of interest.
- 4. Generation of stable cell lines that express secreted cytokine of interest. The culture supernatant collected in the culture will be a crude but cheap source of the cytokine a laboratory routinely needs in research.