

A S S I G N M E N T

WHEREAS, the undersigned, HOECHST SCHERING AGREVO GMBH, having an office and place of business at Miraustrasse 54, 13609 Berlin, GERMANY, has full right to convey the entire interest in the invention entitled: DNA SEQUENCES CODING FOR ENZYMES CAPABLE OF FACILITATING THE SYNTHESIS OF LINEAR α -1,4 GLUCANS IN PLANTS, FUNGI AND MICROORGANISMS, for which an application for United States Letters Patent thereof was filed November 12, 1996, under Serial No. 08/737,752; and

WHEREAS, PLANTTEC BIOTECHNOLOGIE GMBH FORSCHUNG & ENTWICKLUNG, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Germany and having an office and place of business at Hermannswerder 14, 14473 Potsdam, GERMANY, is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in said invention, in said United States patent application and in any Letters Patent which may issue thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the undersigned hereby sells, assigns, and transfers unto the said PLANTTEC BIOTECHNOLOGIE GMBH FORSCHUNG & ENTWICKLUNG, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, all right, title, and interest in and to said invention and any improvements thereon for all countries of the world, and in and to said application, including any continuations and divisions thereof, and any substitute applications therefor, and any patent which may issue thereon, and any reissues of the same; and all right, title, and interest in and to every patent application filed or to be filed on said invention in any other country, including renewals, revivals, continuations, and divisions thereof, and any substitute applications therefor, and any and all

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patents which may issue thereon, and any reissues and extensions of the same; and the undersigned hereby authorizes and requests competent authorities to grant and issue any and all patents on said invention to the said PLANTTEC BIOTECHNOLOGIE GMBH FORSCHUNG & ENTWICKLUNG as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest therein; and the undersigned further agrees to execute upon request of the assignee such additional documents, if any, as are necessary and proper to secure patent protection on said invention throughout all countries of the world, and to otherwise give full effect to and perfect the rights of the assignee under this Assignment.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Assignment at Frankfurt am Main on the date indicated hereinafter:

Date: February 27, 1998

HOECHST SCHERING AGREVO
GMBH

By: *Elke Simon* *W. Schmidt*
Dr. Elke Simon Dr. Werner Schmidt

Title: Head of Patents, Patents, Frankfurt
Frankfurt

No. 55 of the Urkundenrolle 1998

It is officially certified
hereby that

Die umstehenden heute vor
mir anerkannten Unterschrif-
ten der

1. Dr. Elke Simon, D-61169 Friedberg/Hessen

2. Dr. Werner Schmidt, D-65929 Frankfurt am Main

personally known to me -
have signed this document.

- persönlich bekannt -
werden hiermit beglaubigt.

At the same time it is
confirmed, that the person
mentioned sub 1. according
to the Authorization dated
October 18, 1995 is
entitled to jointly with
an other authorized
person sign for and repre-
sent in legally binding
manner the


Gleichzeitig wird bestätigt,
daß die zu 1. Genannte gemäß
der vorliegenden Vollmacht
vom 18. Oktober 1995
zusammen mit einem anderen
Zeichnungsberechtigten zeich-
nungs- und vertretungsberech-
tigt ist für die

Hoechst Schering AgrEvo GmbH, Berlin

and the person mentioned
sub 2. is authorized accor-
ding to the Authorization
of March 1, 1994 to act
as proxy and to represent
said company in legally
binding manner together
with an other authorized
person of this company.

und der unter 2. Genannte
aufgrund der vorliegenden
Handlungsvollmacht vom 1.
März 1994 handlungsbe-
vollmächtigt und zusammen
mit einem anderen Zeichnungs-
berechtigten der Firma zur
Vertretung der genannten
Firma berechtigt ist.


Frankfurt am Main, den 27. Februar 1998


Notary Public
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