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FOR GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, the receipt, sufficiency and

adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned, do hereby:

SELL, ASSIGN AND TRANSFER to University of Maryland System (the "Assignee"),

having a place of business at 4312 Knox Road, College Park, Maryland 20742, the entire right,

title and interest for the United States and all foreign countries in and to any and all

improvements which are disclosed in the application for United States Letters Patent entitled

Compositions and Methods for Differentiating Among Shigella Species and Shigella from

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such application and all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue and all other

applications for patent which have been or shall be filed in the United States and all foreign

countries on any of such improvements; all original and reissued patents which have been or

shall be issued in the United States and all foreign countries on such improvements; and

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AUTHORIZE AND REQUEST the issuing authority to issue any and all United States

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WARRANT AND COVENANT that no assignment, grant, mortgage, license or other

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TO BE BINDING on the heirs, assigns, representatives and successors of the undersigned and extend to the successors, assigns, and nominees of the Assignee.

Rita R. Colwell

STATE OF Maryland

COUNTY OF Prina George

Ss.

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this <u>bth</u> day of <u>hth</u>, 1998, personally appeared Rita R. Colwell, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that she executed the same of her own free will for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

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| Anwarul Huq                                  | Date 15, 1998  |
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