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THIS ASSIGNMENT effective the 4th day of September, 1998 between STERLING WINTHROP INC., of 90 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10016, U.S.A. (hereinafter the "Assignor"), a corporation of the State of Delaware, who is the owner of the entire title in the United States Patent Application Serial No. 08/871,161, filed on June 9, 1997, which is entitled INTERLEUKIN-7 TO STIMULATE PROLIFERATION OF HEMATOPOIETIC CELL PRECURSORS; and

SANOFI, of 32-34 rue Marbeuf, 75374 Paris Cedex 08, FRANCE, a société anonyme of France (hereinafter the "Assignee"), who wants to acquire the entire title of Assignor in the aforesaid patent and the invention covered thereby.

THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignor does hereby assign unto Assignee its entire title in said patent application, and all reissues, divisions and extensions thereof and to any Letters Patent which have or may issue based thereon, all of which are encompassed herein by the term "Patents", including all claims for damage for past infringement thereof; the same to be held and enjoyed by Assignee, its successors, and assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignor had this assignment and sale not been made.

Assignor also agrees that it will, at Assignee's request, render such lawful cooperation and assistance as may be necessary for the proper maintenance and enforcement of said Patents, provided, however, that Assignor may condition its compliance with such a request on Assignee's agreement to pay Assignor reasonable out-of-pocket expenses in connection therewith.

This document shall be construed, interpreted and applied in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

In WITNESS THEREOF, the parties have caused their respective corporate names to be affixed hereto and this instrument to be signed by their duly authorized officers as of the day and year written below.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set hand and seal this 4<sup>th</sup> day of

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STERLING WINTHROP INC.

By William E. Hawhurst  
WILLIAM E. HAWTHURST  
Assistant Secretary

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set hand and seal this 14<sup>th</sup> day of

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