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**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, the undersigned (hereinafter ASSIGNOR) have made an invention entitled "PROCESS FOR PREPARING PURIFIED NUCLEIC ACID AND THE USE THEREOF" for which an application for Letters Patent of the United States was executed of even date herewith (Attorney Docket No. P1614-8053);

AND, WHEREAS, BOEHRINGER MANNHEIM GmbH, (hereinafter ASSIGNEE), a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany and having its principal office and place of business at Sandhoferstr. 116, D-68305 Mannheim, Federal Republic of Germany is desirous of acquiring an interest therein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the above said ASSIGNOR by these presents does sell, assign and transfer unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the full and exclusive right, title and interest in and to the said invention, as described in the aforesaid application, and to all Letters Patent of the United States to be obtained thereon from said application or any continuation, division, renewal, substitute or reissue thereof and hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patent and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to the said ASSIGNEE for its interest as ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and legal representatives.

Wolfgang KUHNE

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