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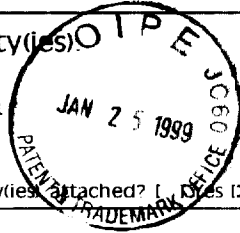
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WHEREAS, we, Shiro MIYOSHI and Kohei OGAWA, hereafter referred to as "applicants", have invented certain new and useful improvements in **NOVEL TRICYCLIC COMPOUNDS AND DRUG COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING THE SAME**, for which an application for a United States patent was filed on July 6, 1998, Application No. 09/101,232, and

WHEREAS, **Asahi Kasei Kogyo Kabushiki Kaisha** of 2-6, Dojimahama, 1-chome, Kita-ku, Osaka-shi, Osaka, 530-0004 Japan, hereinafter referred to as "assignee", is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00), the receipt whereof is acknowledged, and other good and valuable consideration, applicants, by these presents, do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said assignee the full and exclusive right to the said invention in the United States and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all patents which may be granted therefor in the United States, for its sole use and behoof, and for the use and behoof of its legal representatives, to the full end of the term for which said patents may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by applicants had this assignment and sale not been made.

Applicants hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said United States patents to said assignee.

Date: July 17, 1998

Shiro Miyoshi

Shiro MIYOSHI

Date: July 23, 1998

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