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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED
A PROCESS FOR THE RECOVERY OF LACTIC ACID
TITLE OF INVENTION
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APPLICANT(S)

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**IDENTIFICATION OF APPLICATION
(37 CFR 3.21 and 37 CFR 3.31(a)(4))**

1. The patent application to which the attached assignment (document) refers, is identified as follows:

- a. Date of execution: April 19, 1999
- b. Name of each inventor:
 - 1: Aharon Meir EYAL
 - 2: Ponnampalam ELANKOVAN
 - 3:

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- c. Title of invention: A PROCESS FOR THE RECOVERY OF LACTIC ACID

NOTE: See 37 CFR 3.21.

NAME OF PARTY(IES) CONVEYING INTEREST

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2. The party(ies) conveying this interest is (are):

Name 1: Ponnampalam ELANKOVAN

Name 2: _____

Name 3: _____

NAME AND ADDRESS OF PARTY(IES) RECEIVING INTEREST

(37 CFR 3.31(a)(2))

3. The rights are being conveyed to:

Name: Cargill Incorporated

Address: 15407 McGinty Road West

Wayzata, MN 55391-2399

USA

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(37 CFR 3.31(a)(3))

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an assignment.

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a merger.

a change of name.

a change of address.

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DATE ASSIGNMENT (DOCUMENT) EXECUTED (37 CFR 3.31(a)(7))

6. A. The attached assignment (document) was executed on April 19, 1999.
Date

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B. The fee for recordal (37 CFR 1.21(h)) is \$40.00.

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Date: _____

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Signature of party submitting document

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For: U.S. Application or
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For: U.S. Patent
For: PCT Application
By: Multiple Inventors

ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTION (MULTIPLE INVENTORS)

In consideration of the payment by ASSIGNEE to ASSIGNOR of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and for other good and valuable consideration,

ASSIGNORS (Inventors):

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Cargill Incorporated
(type or print name of ASSIGNEE)

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U.S.
Nationality

Wayzata, MN 55391-2399 United States of America

and the successors, assigns and legal representatives of the ASSIGNEE

(complete one of the following)

- the entire right, title and interest
- an undivided _____ percent (_____ %) interest for the United States and its territorial possessions

(check the following box, if foreign rights are also to be assigned)

- and in all foreign countries, including all rights to claim priority, in and to any and all improvements which are disclosed in the invention entitled: A Process For The Recovery Of Lactic Acid

Name of inventor(s) Aharon Meir EYAL, Ponnampalam ELANKOVAN
(check and complete (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (g))

and which is found in (37 C.F.R. § 3.21)

- (a) U.S. patent application executed on even date herewith
- (b) U.S. patent application executed on _____
- (c) U.S. provisional application naming the above inventor(s) for the above-entitled invention.
 - Express mail label no.: _____
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- To comply with 37 C.F.R. 3.21 for recordal of this assignment, I, an ASSIGNOR signing below, hereby authorize and request my attorney to insert below the filing date and application number when they become known.
- (d) U.S. application no. 09 / 147,914
filed on March 23, 1999
- (e) International application no. PCT/ US97/17774
- (f) U.S. patent no. _____ issued _____
- A change of address to which correspondence is to be sent regarding patent maintenance fees is being sent separately.

(also check (g), if foreign application(s) is also being assigned)

- (g) and any legal equivalent thereof in a foreign country, including the right to claim priority

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ASSIGNOR hereby covenants that no assignment, sale, agreement or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into which would conflict with this assignment.

ASSIGNOR further covenants that ASSIGNEE will, upon its request, be provided promptly with all pertinent facts and documents relating to said invention and said Letters Patent and legal equivalents as may be known and accessible to ASSIGNOR and will testify as to the same in any interference, litigation or proceeding related thereto and will promptly execute and deliver to ASSIGNEE or its legal representatives any and all papers, instruments or affidavits required to apply for, obtain, maintain, issue and enforce said application, said invention and said Letters Patent and said equivalents thereof which may be necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have hereunto set hand and seal this 4-19-99
Date of signing

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Aharon Meir EYAL
(type name of inventor)

Signature of INVENTOR

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