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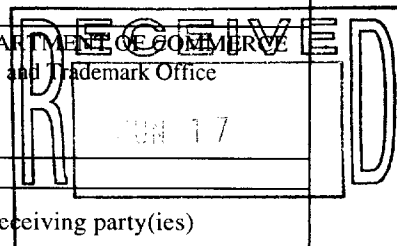
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS I, Alex J. Whittaker of Harlow, Essex, United Kingdom, a British Subject, have made an invention entitled:

"METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR RE-EVALUATING ASSEMBLY CONSENSUS SEQUENCES"

for which on July 29, 1998, I executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States under 35 U.S.C. §111(a), executed an application for Letters Patents of the United States under 35 U.S.C. §371, or filed a Provisional application under 35 U.S.C. §111(b):

NOW, THEREFORE, in return for valuable consideration paid to me by SmithKline Beecham p.l.c., a corporation organized under the laws of Great Britain and having its principal place of business at New Horizons Court, Brentford, Middlesex, TW8 9EP, United Kingdom, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, and intending to be legally bound, I do hereby assign unto the said SmithKline Beecham p.l.c., its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the said invention, executed under 35 U.S.C. §111(a), 35 U.S.C. §371, or filed under 35 U.S.C. §111(b) application, and from which priority may be claimed from one or more 35 U.S.C. §111(b) applications, or any division, continuation and continuation-in-part of said application, and all Letters Patent of the United States and all foreign countries to be obtained therefor;

I further assign to the said SmithKline Beecham p.l.c. the right, optionally in its own name or in the names of its related companies, to apply for, obtain and maintain in all countries foreign to the United States, patent and/or Utility Model applications for said invention, including the full right to claim for any such application the benefits of any priority rights based on said executed United States application;

And I agree to execute further instruments (including provisional, divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part or reissue applications or other instruments) proper to effectuate the premises, this agreement to be binding

And I request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States, and any official of any country or countries foreign to the United States whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue Letters Patent in accordance herewith.

Signed at 29th July 1998



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