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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, **Evert Van Zanten**, a citizen of the Netherlands, residing at Dreeslaan 10, NL-2672 DL Naaldwijk, The Netherlands and **Frans Leerdam**, a citizen of the Netherlands, residing at Maasdijk 14, NL-2691 NT's-Gravenzande, The Netherlands have made an invention which invention is claimed and described in an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America entitled, "**A METHOD FOR PREPARING OPEN-CELLED GROWING MEDIA AND GROWING MEDIA**" filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on **October 13, 1999** under Serial No. **09/417,294** and;

WHEREAS, **PREFORMA WESTLAND B.V.** of Dwarskulk 2, NL-3151 ZD Hoek Van Holland, The Netherlands, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Netherlands is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention and in and to any Letters Patent that may be granted therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we the undersigned party by these presents do sell, assigned and transfer unto **PREFORMA WESTLAND B.V.**, its successors and assigns the full, exclusive and worldwide right to the said invention including the United States of America, and the entire right, title and interest in, to and under any Letters Patent which may be granted on said invention, or any parts thereof, or on any continuation, division or reissue thereof in the United States of America, in the territorial possessions of the United States of America and in any country foreign to the United States of America, the same to be held and enjoyed by **PREFORMA WESTLAND B.V.**, its successors and assigns as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by us, had this assignment not been made.

And we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States of America and respective Patent Office officials in any country foreign to the United States of America to issue said Letters Patent to said **PREFORMA WESTLAND B.V.** as the assignee of our entire right, title and interest in, to and under the same, and we hereby further authorize **PREFORMA WESTLAND B.V.** to apply for Letters Patent in our name or in its own name, as it in its sole discretion sees fit, utilizing any benefits which may exist under any International Agreement, in any country foreign to the United States of America.

And we, do hereby agree for ourselves and for our heir, executor and administrator to execute any lawful document and to testify as to any material fact or thing which **PREFORMA WESTLAND B.V.**, its successors and assigns may deem necessary in order to secure unto itself, its successors and assigns the full right, title and interest in and to and the full enjoyment of said invention or any part thereof and any Letters Patent, the same to be done without any further consideration.

Signed this 30st day of November, 1999.



Evert Van Zanten



Frans Leerdam