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WHEREAS, **Edward N. Granados and Christi Powell Scheffel** hereinafter called the "Assignors", have made the invention described in the United States patent application entitled "*Nucleic Acid Primers and Probes for Detecting Tumor Cells*" executed by Assignors on the same date as this Assignment, Assignors hereby authorize and request the attorney(s) listed on the Power of Attorney filed in this case to insert here in parentheses (Application number 419,212, filed 10/15/99) the filing date and application number of said application when known;

WHEREAS, Abbott Laboratories, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Illinois, having a place of business at Abbott Park, Illinois 60064, hereinafter called the "Assignee", desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention and to the patent application identified above, and all patents, foreign and domestic, which may be obtained for said invention, as set forth below;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), and other valuable and legally sufficient consideration, the receipt of which by the Assignors from the Assignee is hereby acknowledged, the Assignors have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign and transfer to the Assignee, the entire right, title and interest for the United States and elsewhere in and to the invention and the patent application identified above, and any patents that may issue for said invention in the United States and elsewhere; together with the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and all patent applications, patents, utility models and designs therefor in all countries foreign to the United States, including the full right to claim for any such application all benefits and priority rights under any applicable convention; together with the entire right, title and interest in and to all continuations, divisions, renewals and extensions of any of the patent applications, patents, utility models and designs defined above; to have and to hold for sole and exclusive use and benefit of the Assignee, its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for all such patents.

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The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized and requested to issue patents to the Assignee in accordance with the terms of this Assignment.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the Assignors have executed this agreement.

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