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Date

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I/WE, Alfonso T. Perez, Debra J. Asner, Richard J. LaChapelle, John C. Alexander, and Barbara Roniker, the undersigned, have made certain invention or inventions, which are disclosed in patent application(s) and/or provisional patent application(s) entitled:

COMBINATION THERAPY OF ANGIOTENSIN CONVERTING ENZYME INHIBITOR AND ALDOSTERONE ANTAGONIST FOR REDUCING MORBIDITY AND MORTALITY FROM CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE

identified as C-3158 and;

WHEREAS, Monsanto Company, of St. Louis, Missouri, a Corporation of the State of Delaware, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention or inventions and any and all patents to be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, FOR GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I/WE do hereby sell, assign and transfer to said Monsanto Company, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention or inventions, in any form or embodiment thereof, and in and to said application(s); and in and to any and all applications filed in any country based thereon, including the right to file applications in countries other than the country of priority filing under the provisions of any international convention; also in and to any and all improvements on said invention or inventions now or hereafter made by me/us as employee(s), agent(s) or contractor(s) of said Monsanto Company; also the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all patents, including reissues and extensions thereof, to be obtained in any country upon said invention, inventions or improvements, and any and all continuing applications, including divisional, continuation and continuation-in-part applications, substitute applications, and applications claiming benefit of an earlier filed provisional application, which may be filed upon said invention, inventions or improvements in any country; and

I/WE hereby authorize and request the issuing authority to issue any and all patents on said application or applications to said Monsanto Company, as assignee of the entire interest.

I/WE further agree, without any payment by Monsanto Company other than in reimbursement of reasonable expenses I/we may incur, to communicate to said Monsanto Company, its representatives or agents, any facts relating to said invention, inventions or improvements, including evidence for purposes of interference, opposition or other legal proceedings, whenever requested; testify in any interference, opposition or other legal proceedings, whenever requested; and execute and deliver, on request, all lawful papers required to make any of the foregoing provisions effective.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I/WE have hereto set our hands on the dates set after our signatures.

Signature: *Alfonzo T. Perez*

Date: *March 10, 2000*

Name: Alfonzo T. Perez

City and state or country of residence: Lake Forest, Illinois USA

State of Illinois }
County of Cook } ss.

On this 10th day of March, 2000, before me personally appeared , to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he/she executed the same as his/her free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above written.



Candace Johnson
Notary Public or Consular Officer
My Commission Expires: 10-18-01

Signature: *Debra J. Asner*

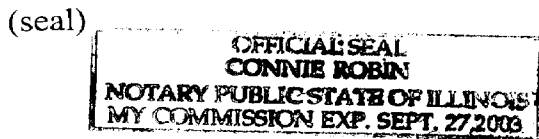
Date: *20 Mar 00*

Name: Debra J. Asner

City and state or country of residence: Morton Grove, Illinois USA

State of ILLINOIS }
County of COOK } ss.

On this 20th day of March, 2000, before me personally appeared , to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he/she executed the same as his/her free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above written.



Connie Robin
Notary Public or Consular Officer
My Commission Expires: Sept 27, 03

Signature: *Richard J. LaChapelle*

Date: April 25, 2000

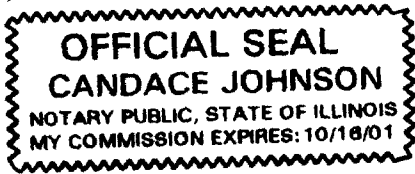
Name: Richard J. LaChapelle

City and state or country of residence: Wilmette, Illinois USA

State of Illinois }
County of Cook } ss.

On this 25th day of April, 2000, before me personally appeared
, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and
acknowledged that he/she executed the same as his/her free act and deed; in testimony
whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above written.

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Candace Johnson
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My Commission Expires: 10-16-01

Signature: *John C. Alexander*

Date: 3/27/2000

Name: John C. Alexander

City and state or country of residence: Princeton, New Jersey USA

State of New Jersey }
County of Middlesex } ss.

On this 27 day of March 2000, before me personally appeared
, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and
acknowledged that he/she executed the same as his/her free act and deed; in testimony
whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above written.

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Katherine T. Sardella
Notary Public or Consular Officer
My Commission Expires: 6/31/2002

Katherine T. Sardella
Notary Public of New Jersey
My Commission Expires 6/31/2002

Signature: *Barbara Roniker*

Date: March 20, 2000

Name: Barbara Roniker

City and state or country of residence: Chicago, Illinois USA

State of ILLINOIS }
County of COOK } ss.

On this 20th day of March, 2000, before me personally appeared
, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and
acknowledged that he/she executed the same as his/her free act and deed; in testimony
whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above written.

(seal)



Connie Robin

Notary Public or Consular Officer

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