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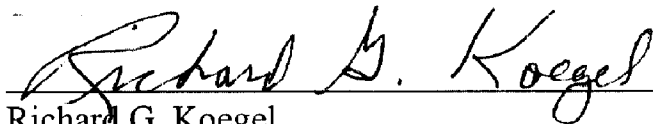
WHEREAS, Richard G. Koegel and Timothy J. Kraus, residing at 5106 Pepin Place, Madison, Wisconsin and 770 Chestnut Street, Honey Brook, Pennsylvania, respectively, having jointly invented improvements in "Method for Macerating Plant Material" with Richard J. Straub for which an application for United States Letters Patent has been filed, being further identified as:

U. S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/270,465, filed March 15, 1999

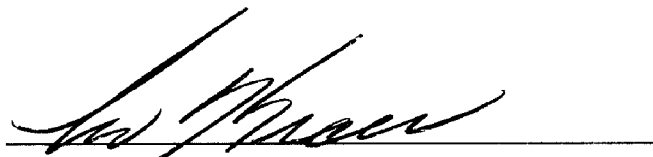
WHEREAS, the United States patent rights in the said Richard G. Koegel and Timothy J. Kraus' share of said invention is properly assignable to the United States of America by virtue of having jointly made the inventions while in the employ of the United States Department of Agriculture which render the patent rights so assignable; and

WHEREAS, the United States as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture, is desirous of acquiring an assignment of said patent rights.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of these premises, we, Richard G. Koegel and Timothy J. Kraus, hereby assign that portion of said patent rights originating with the joint invention by the said Richard G. Koegel and Timothy J. Kraus, in and to the U. S. patent application identified above, to the United States of America, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture.


Richard G. Koegel

DATE: 6/23/00


Timothy J. Kraus

DATE: 6/20/00