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ASSIGNMENT


WHEREAS, We, **Eli Ruckenstein**, a United States citizen, residing at 94 North Drive, Amherst, New York 14226, and **Hongmin Zhang**, a citizen of the Peoples Republic of China, residing at 176-4 Princeton Avenue, Amherst, New York 14226, have invented certain new and useful improvements in **GRAFT, GRAFT-BLOCK, BLOCK-GRAFT, AND STAR-SHAPED COPOLYMERS AND METHODS OF MAKING THEM** for which we have executed an application for Letters Patent in the United States, filed as U. S. Serial No. 09/542,762 on **April 4, 2000**;

AND WHEREAS, **The Research Foundation of State University of New York**, with its principal place of business at Suite 200, UB Commons, Amherst, New York 14228-2567, desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest in and to the said improvements and the said Application:

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, including salary or payment for the making of inventions, or employee benefits, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said inventors, do hereby acknowledge that we have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said **The Research Foundation of State University of New York**, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest throughout the world in, to and under the said improvements, and the said application and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority under International Conventions and applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States, and all Letters Patent which may be granted for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents 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 all Letters Patent for said improvements to the said **The Research Foundation of State University of New York**, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND WE HEREBY covenant and agree that we will communicate to the said **The Research Foundation of State University of New York**, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to us respecting said improvements and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the said **The Research Foundation of State University of New York** its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal this 8th day of May, 2000.



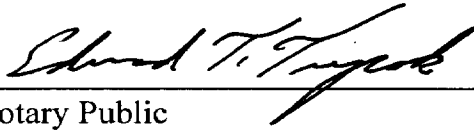
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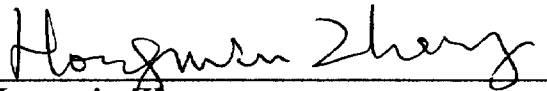
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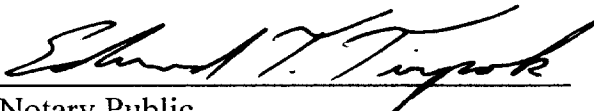
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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal this 8th day
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STATE OF New York
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This 8th day of May, 2000, before me personally came the
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