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To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks. Please record the attached documents.

- 1. Name of conveying party(ies):  
**Stephen B. Howell**  
**Xinjian Lin**  
**Dennis P. Gately**
- 2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):  
Name: **Research Development Foundation**  
Address: **402 North Division Street**  
**Carson City, NV 89703**

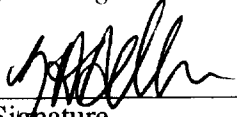
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 NO  YES

- 3. Nature of Conveyance:  Assignment  Merger  Security Agreement  Change of Name  OTHER \_\_\_\_\_
- Additional names & addresses attached?  NO  YES

Execution Date(s): August 22, 2000

- 4. Application number(s) or patent number(s): **09/479,529**  
Additional numbers attached?  NO  YES
- 5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:  
Name: **Dr. Benjamin Adler**  
**McGREGOR & ADLER, LLP**
- Address: **8011 Candle Ln.**  
**Houston, Texas 77071**
- 6. Total number of applications and patents involved: 1
- 7. Total Fee (37 CFR 3.41):.....**\$40.00**  enclosed  authorized to charge deposit account
- 8. Deposit Account number: \_\_\_\_\_ (duplicate copy attached if paying by deposit account)
- 9. Statement and signature.  
*To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.*

**Benjamin Aaron Adler Ph.D., J.D.**  
Name of person signing

  
Signature 8/28/00  
Date  
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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, **Stephen B. Howell**, of 13612 Nogales Drive, Del Mar, CA 92014, **Xinjian Lin**, of 7786 Camino Glorita, San Diego, CA 92122, and **Dennis P. Gately**, 10260-217 Wateridge Circle, San Diego, CA 92121, (hereinafter collectively called "ASSIGNORS"), are co-inventors and owners of certain new and useful improvements in *Quantification of Cellular Injury Using Expression of Green Fluorescent Protein Under The Control of the GADD153 Promoter*, an application for United States Letters Patent having been filed on January 7, 2000 and given United States Serial Number 09/479,529;


WHEREAS, the **Research Development Foundation** (hereinafter called "ASSIGNEE") a non-profit organization duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the state of Nevada, and having a place of business at 402 North Division Street, Carson City, Nevada 89703, is desirous of acquiring and ASSIGNORS are desirous of assigning to ASSIGNEE all right, title and interest in and to said invention and application identified above;

NOW, THEREFORE, ASSIGNORS, for and in consideration of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) to us in hand paid, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of all of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby sell, assign and convey upon ASSIGNEE and its successors and assigns the entire right, title and interest throughout the world in the inventions and improvements which are subject of an application for United States Patent signed by us, this assignment including said application, any and all United States and foreign patents, utility models, and design registrations granted for any of said inventions or improvements, and the right to claim priority based on the filing date of said application under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, the Patent Cooperation Treaty, the European Patent Convention, and all other treaties of like purposes; and we authorize the Assignee to apply in all countries in our names or in its own name for patents, utility models, design registrations and like rights of exclusion and for inventors' certificates for said inventions and improvements; and we agree for us and our respective heirs, legal representatives and assigns, without further compensation to perform such lawful acts and to sign such further applications, assignments, Preliminary Statements and other lawful

documents as the Assignee may reasonably request to effectuate fully this assignment.

And we do further covenant and agree that we will, at any time upon request, communicate to the Assignee, its successors, assigns or other legal representative, such facts relating to said invention and Letters Patent or the file history thereof as may be known to us, and testify as to the same in any interference or other litigation when requested, without further compensation but at the expense of said Assignee, its successors or other legal representatives.

DATE: Aug 22, 2000

  
**Stephen B. Howell**

STATE OF California:


COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_:

Before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_ known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing Assignment and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed for the purposes therein contained.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

DATE: Aug 22, 2000

  
**Xinjian Lin**

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_:

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_:

Before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_ known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing Assignment and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed for the purposes therein contained.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

DATE: 22 August 2000

  
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**Dennis P. Gately**

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_:

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_:

Before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_ known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing Assignment and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed for the purposes therein contained.

Notary Public

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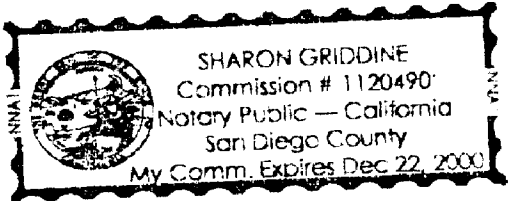
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On August 22, 2000 before me Sharon Griddine, Notary Public  
Date Name and Title of Officer (e.g., "Jane Doe, Notary Public")

personally appeared Stephen B. Howell, Xingjian Lin and Dennis P. Gately  
Name(s) of Signer(s)

personally known to me  
 proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence

to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.



WITNESS my hand and official seal.  
Sharon Griddine  
Signature of Notary Public

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 Individual  
 Corporate Officer — Title(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Partner — Limited General  
 Attorney in Fact  
 Trustee  
 Guardian or Conservator  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Signer Is Representing: \_\_\_\_\_

