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ASSIGNMENT

For valuable consideration, we, Masaharu MUKOUYAMA of Ibaraki, JAPAN and Shinzo YASUDA of Ibaraki, JAPAN hereby assign to NIPPON SHOKUBAI CO., LTD., a Japanese corporation having a place of business at 1-1, Koraihashi 4-chome, Chuo-ku, Osaka-shi, Osaka 541-0043 Japan, and its successors and assigns (collectively hereinafter called "the Assignee"), the entire right, title and interest, including, without limitation, the right to sue for past infringement, throughout the world in the inventions and improvements which are subject of an application for United States Patent signed by us, entitled POLYASPARTIC ACID, filed _____, and assigned U.S. Serial Number _____, and we authorize and request the attorneys appointed in said application to hereafter complete this assignment by inserting above the filing date and serial number of said application when known; 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 name or in its own name for patents, utility models, and design registrations and like rights of exclusion and for inventors' certificates for said inventions and improvements; and we agree for ourselves 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.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and seal at Tsukuba, Ibaraki, Japan
this 29 day of August, 2000

Masaharu Mukouyama L.S.
Masaharu MUKOUYAMA

Yukiko Ohana
Witness Yukiko OHANA

Witness

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and seal at Tsukuba, Ibaraki, Japan
this 29 day of August, 2000

Shinzo Yasuda L.S.
Shinzo YASUDA

Yukiko Ohana
Witness Yukiko OHANA

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