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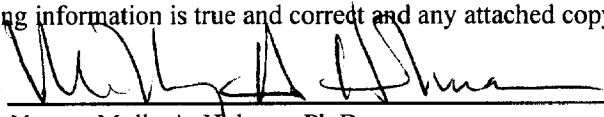
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<p>5. Please return the recorded document and address all correspondence to:</p> <p><b>CHRISTIE, PARKER &amp; HALE, LLP</b> P.O. Box 7068 Pasadena, CA 91109-7068 Attention: <b>Molly A. Holman, Ph.D.</b></p>	<p>6. Total number of applications and patents involved..... <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">1</span></p> <p>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total fee enclosed (37 CFR 3.41):      \$ <b>40.00</b></p> <p>8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any deficiency or overpayment of fees should be charged or credited to <b>Deposit Account No. 03-1728</b>, except for payment of issue fees required under 37 CFR § 1.18. Please show our docket number with any credit or charge to our Deposit Account.</p>		
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## ASSIGNMENT

**WHEREAS, WE, J. David Rozzell, Jr., Peter Bui, and Ling Hua**, residing at

437 South Sparks Street, Burbank, California 91506;  
4328 Crossvale Avenue, El Monte, California 91732; and  
1132 West Duarte Road, Apt. #1, Arcadia, California 91007;

respectively, have invented certain new and useful improvements disclosed in an application for United States Letters Patent entitled **SYNTHETIC GENES FOR ENHANCED EXPRESSION**, and executed by us on even date herewith;

**AND WHEREAS BioCatalytics, Inc.**, a California corporation, having a place of business at 39 Congress Street, Suite 303, Pasadena, California 91105 (hereafter, together with any successors, legal representatives or assigns thereof, called "ASSIGNEE") wants to acquire the entire right, title and interest in and to said improvements and application.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to us in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over to ASSIGNEE the entire right, title and interest in and to said improvements, and said application and all divisions and continuations thereof, and all United States Letters Patents which may be granted thereon and all reissues, reexaminations and extensions thereof, and all priority rights under all available International Agreements, Treaties and Conventions for the protection of intellectual property in its various forms in every participating country, and all applications for patents (including related rights such as utility-model registrations, inventor's certificates, and the like) heretofore or hereafter filed for said improvements in any foreign countries, and all patents (including all continuations, divisions, extensions, renewals, substitutes, and reissues thereof) granted for said improvements in any foreign countries; and we hereby authorize and request the United States Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, and any officials of foreign countries whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue all patents for said improvements to ASSIGNEE in accordance with the terms of this Assignment;

**AND WE HEREBY** covenant that we have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that we have not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith;

**AND WE HEREBY** further covenant and agree that we will communicate to ASSIGNEE any facts known to us respecting said improvements, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuation, substitute and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid ASSIGNEE to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

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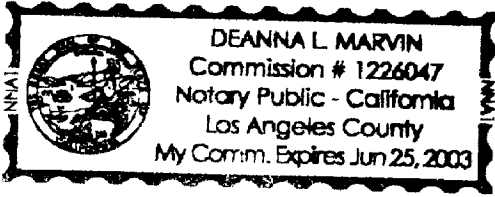
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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2000.

J. David Rozzell, Jr.  
J. David Rozzell, Jr.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
COUNTY OF Los Angeles )

On December 8, 2000, before me Deanna L. Marvin, Notary Public, personally appeared J. David Rozzell, Jr. ~~personally known to me~~ (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.



WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Deanna L. Marvin  
Signature of Notary

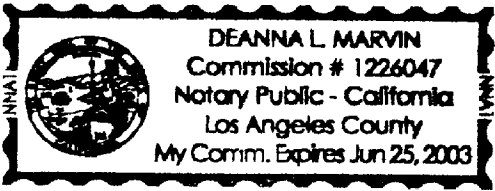
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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2000.

Peter Bui  
Peter Bui

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
COUNTY OF Los Angeles )

On December 8, 2000, before me Deanna L. Marvin, Notary Public, personally appeared Peter Bui ~~personally known to me~~ (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.



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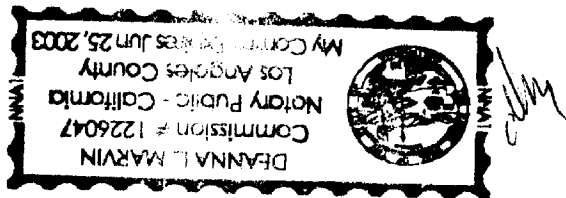
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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 8 day of December, 2000.

Ling Hua  
Ling Hua

STATE OF California  
COUNTY OF Los Angeles }

On December 8, 2000 before me DEANNA L. MARVIN, Notary Public, personally appeared Ling Hua ~~personally known to me~~ (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that she executed the same in her authorized capacity, and that by her signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.



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