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SPIROPIPERIDINE DERIVATIVES AS MELANOCORTIN RECEPTOR AGONISTS

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ASSIGNMENT AND AGREEMENT

U.S. Serial No. 09/329,814

Filing Date June 10, 1999

For value received, we, RAVI P. NARGUND, ZHIXIONG YE, BRENDA L. PALUCKI, RAMAN K. BAKSHI, ARTHUR A. PATCHETT, LEONARDUS H. T. VAN DER PLOEG

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hereby sell, assign and transfer to MERCK & CO., Inc., a corporation of the State of New Jersey, having an office at Lincoln Avenue, City of Rahway, State of New Jersey, and its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the entire right, title and interest, for all countries, in and to certain inventions relating to SPIROPIPERIDINE DERIVATIVES AS MELANOCORTIN RECEPTOR AGONISTS

described in an application for Letters Patent of the United States, executed by each of us on even date herewith, or executed on the date shown in the Declaration and Power of Attorney relating to said application, and all the rights and privileges, including any and all benefits under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property and related treaties, under any and all Letters Patents which may be granted in any foreign country, and under any and all extensions, divisionals, reissues and continuations of said Letters Patents.

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We agree that, when requested, we will, without charge to said assignee but at its expense, sign all papers, take all rightful oaths, and do all acts which may be necessary, desirable or convenient for securing and maintaining Patents for said inventions in any and all countries and for vesting title thereto in said assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives or nominees.

We covenant with said assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, that the rights and property herein conveyed are free and clear of any encumbrance, and that we have full right to convey the same as herein expressed.

We hereby authorize our attorney, MOLLIE M. YANG or an attorney with Power of Attorney in this application, of the said MERCK & CO., Inc., to insert Serial No., and Filing Date of said application(s) when known.

Signed at RAHWAY, NJ
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Brenda L. Palucki
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Leonardus H. T. Van der Ploeg
LEONARDUS H. T. VAN DER PLOEG

this 7th day of July 1999
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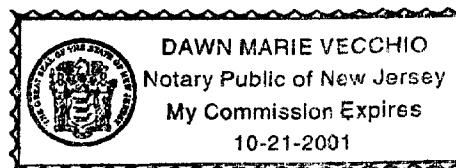
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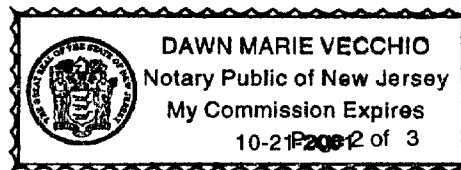


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