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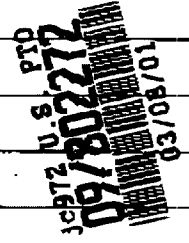
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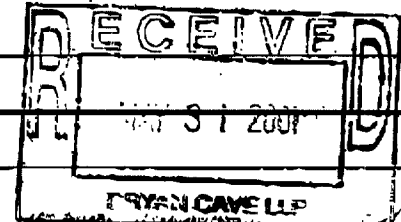
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Assignment

We,

F. Hoffmann-La Roche AG (Assignor), a Swiss Company
of 124 Grenzacherstrasse, CH-4070 Basle (Switzerland)

hereby assign to

ROCHE VITAMINS INC. (Assignee)

a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Delaware, and having its principal place of business at 43 Waterview Blvd., Parsippany, New Jersey, U.S.A.,

all of our right, title and interest within the United States of America and its territorial possessions in and to the invention described and claimed in a patent application entitled

TOCOPHEROL MANUFACTURE BY TRIS(PERFLUOROHYDROCARBYL-SULPHONYL) METHANE OR METAL METHIDES THEREOF

which is about to be filed in the U.S. Patent Office in the name(s) of the inventor(s)

**Werner Bonrath, Alois Haas, Eike Hoppmann, Thomas Netscher,
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and in respect of which a declaration and Power of Attorney was executed on:

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and in and to said patent application and Letters Patent that may issue thereon.

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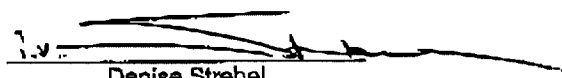
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Basle, Switzerland, this 26th day of February 2001.

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