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PATENT

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Hitoshi ENDOU of Kanagawa, Japan, I, Yoshikatsu KANAI of Tokyo, Japan, I, Takashi SEKINE of Tokyo, Japan and I, Makoto HOSOYAMADA of Tokyo, Japan, (hereinafter referred to as "Assignors"), have invented certain new and useful improvements in "ORGANIC ANION TRANSPORTER AND GENE CODING FOR THE SAME", for which an application for United States Letters Patent with the same title was filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on July 18, 2000 and assigned Serial No. 09/424,347, and claims priority of PCT/JP98/02171, filed May 18, 1998 and Japanese Patent Application No. 9-134182, filed May 23, 1997, and

WHEREAS, Fuji Bio Medix Co., Ltd., located at 1-1-25, Higashi Kounosu-shi, Saitama-Ken 365-0039, JAPAN, and Hitoshi ENDOU, located at 23-7, Yoshinodai 1-chome, Sagamihara-shi, Kanagawa 229-0022 JAPAN (hereinafter referred to as the "Assignees"), are each desirous of acquiring a fifty percent (50%) share with respect to the right, title and interest in and to the same invention, and in and to the said application, and any Letters Patent that may issue thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, be it known that for good and valuable consideration, and in the 50% shares stated above, the Assignors have assigned and transferred, and do hereby assign and transfer to the Assignees, its successors and assigns, their entire right, title and interest for the United States in and to the said invention and in and to the said application and all patents which may be granted therefor, and all divisions, reissues, substitutions, continuations, in whole or in part, re-examinations, and extensions thereof, and all applications claiming priority therefrom; and the Assignors hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all patents for said invention, or patents resulting therefrom, insofar as their interest is concerned, to the Assignees; to have and to hold for the sole and exclusive use and benefit of the Assignees, its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all of said Letters Patent for said invention may issue, to the same extent as the Assignors would hold and enjoy if this Assignment had not been made.

The Assignors also have assigned and transferred, and do hereby assign and transfer in the 50% shares stated above, to the Assignees, its successors and assigns, their entire right, title and interest in and to the invention disclosed in said application, in all countries of the world foreign to the United States, including the right to file applications and obtain patents for said invention in its own name in said countries and including all rights of priority in said countries under the terms of any applicable international convention; to have and to hold for the sole and exclusive use and benefit of the Assignees, its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all of said Letters Patent for said invention may issue, to the same extent as the Assignors would hold and enjoy if this Assignment had not been made.

The Assignors further agree to execute any and all patent applications, assignments, affidavits, and any other papers in connection therewith necessary to perfect such patent rights, and also agree, at the request of the Assignees, to testify in any legal proceedings, sign all

lawful papers, make all lawful oaths, and generally do everything possible to aid said Assignees, its successors and assigns, to obtain, maintain and enforce patent protection for said invention in all countries.

The Assignors also hereby grant the law firm of Dike, Bronstein, Roberts & Cushman, Intellectual Property Group of Edwards & Angell, LLP, the power to insert on this Assignment any further identification which may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the United States Patent and Trademark Office for recordation of this document.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Assignors have caused this Assignment to be executed.

Dated this 31th day of May, 2001.

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