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ASSIGNMENT

For valuable consideration, we, HSUAN-YIN LAN-HARGEST of Fallston, MD and NORBERT L. WIECH of Phoenix, MD, hereby assign to: Beacon Laboratories, Inc., a Delaware corporation and its successors and assigns (collectively hereinafter called "the Assignee"), the entire right, title and interest throughout the world in the inventions and improvements which are subject of an application for United States Patent signed by us, entitled NOVEL METHODS FOR USING ALKANOYLOXYMETHYL ESTERS, filed December 21, 2000, and assigned U.S. Serial Number 09/742,729, 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, 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 Phoenix, MD,
this 9th day of August, 2001
Hsuan-Yin Lan-Hargest L.S.
HSUAN-YIN LAN-HARGEST

State of Maryland :
: ss.
County of Baltimore :

Before me this 9th day of August, 2001, personally
appeared HSUAN-YIN LAN-HARGEST known to me to be the person whose name is
subscribed to the foregoing Assignment and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free
act and deed for the purposes therein contained.

Lynda K. Wilcock
Notary Public
My Commission Expires: 11/03

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and seal at Phoenix, MD.

this 8th day of August, 2001

Norbert L. Wiech L.S.
NORBERT L. WIECH

State of Maryland :

: ss.

County of Baltimore :

Before me this 8th day of August, 2001, personally appeared NORBERT L. WIECH known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing Assignment and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed for the purposes therein contained.

Gina M. McVick
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 11/03

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