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Title of Invention: **BACKGROUND ERASE FOR MEMORY CELLS**

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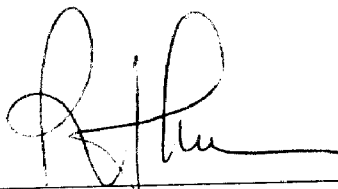
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