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09/953,759

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ASSIGNMENT

We,

Bang-Chi Chen                      residing at              28 Marion Drive  
   Plainsboro, New Jersey 08536  
   United States of America

Joseph E. Sundeen                residing at              1108 Pratt Drive  
   Yardley, Pennsylvania 19067  
   United States of America

Rulin Zhao                            residing at              42 Manley Road  
   Pennington, New Jersey 08534  
   United States of America,

pursuant to contractual obligations heretofore assumed by us and/or for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby sell and assign to **Bristol-Myers Squibb Company**, a Delaware corporation, having a place of business at Lawrenceville-Princeton Road, Princeton, NJ 08543-4000, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, all our right, title and interest, which includes the right to and full benefit of such priorities as may now or hereafter be granted to us by local laws or by treaty, including any international convention for the protection of industrial property, in and for all countries of the world, including the United States and its territories and possessions, in and to the invention entitled:

PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF N-(SUBSTITUTED PHENYL)-3-ALKYL-, ARYL- AND HETEROARYLSULFONYL-2-HYDROXY-2-ALKYL- AND HALOALKYLPROPANAMIDE COMPOUNDS

invented by us and described in the non-provisional United States patent application

Application No. 09/953,759, filed September 17, 2001,

including said non-provisional United States patent application and any application claiming priority from said non-provisional application, filed in any country, and any patents which may be issued and/or granted thereon, and all divisions, continuations, reissues, reexamination certificates and extensions thereof in all countries, the said interest being the entire ownership of said invention and all of said applications, patents (including reissue patents), extensions and reexamination certificates to be held and enjoyed by the said Bristol-Myers Squibb Company and its successors and assigns to the full end of the terms to which said patents (including reissue patents), extensions

and reexamination certificates may be granted and/or issued, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us if this sale, assignment and transfer had not been made;

And we hereby agree to communicate to said assignee or its representatives any facts known to us respecting said invention, to testify in any legal proceedings, to sign and/or execute any further documents and/or instruments which may be necessary, lawful and proper in and/or for the filing and/or prosecution of all applications, including divisional, continuation and reissue applications, extensions and reexamination certificates and/or the granting and/or issuance thereof and/or to otherwise secure title to said invention and all of said applications, patents (including reissue patents, extensions and reexamination certificates in said assignee, and in general to do everything possible to aid said assignee, its successors and assigns to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in all countries.

Signed this 19<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2001 by B. C. Chen  
Bang-Chi Chen

Signed this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of October, 2001 by Joseph E. Sundeen  
Joseph E. Sundeen

Signed this 22 day of Oct., 2001 by Rulin Zhao  
Rulin Zhao

STATE OF New Jersey )  
COUNTY OF Meriden ) ss.

On the 19<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2001, before me Bang-Chi Chen, to me known to be the person of that name mentioned in, and who executed the foregoing Assignment and acknowledged that he executed it.

Eileen Immordino  
Notary Public

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**EILEEN IMMORDINO**  
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On the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of October, 2001, before me Joseph E. Sundeen, to me known to be the person of that name mentioned in, and who executed the foregoing Assignment and acknowledged that he executed it.

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