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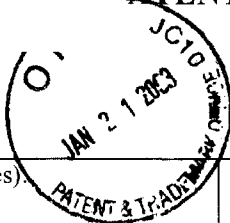
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Kwen-Jen Chang, William Pendergast, and Peter J. Gengo have made an invention the specification of which is described in U.S. Patent Application No. 10/282,411 filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 29, 2002,

"METHOD OF TREATING DEPRESSION WITH DELTA RECEPTOR AGONIST COMPOUNDS"

We Kwen-Jen Chang, William Pendergast, and Peter J. Gengo hereby assign to Ardent Pharmaceuticals, Inc. all of our ownership and rights in:

- (i) the invention and U.S. Patent Application;
- (ii) continuing, divisional and continuation-in-part applications based on and claiming priority of said U.S. Patent Application;
- (iii) U.S. Patents on the invention; and
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We are making this assignment based on our employment relationship with Ardent Pharmaceuticals, Inc..

We request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States and the appropriate officers of all foreign countries to issue patents on the invention to:

Ardent Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

as owners of the invention and aforementioned patent rights.

We agree to execute any other legal documents that may be required to effectuate this Assignment.

We agree that we will promptly communicate to Ardent Pharmaceuticals, Inc., all facts which come to our attention affecting the invention or patent rights.

We agree that we will testify in any interference or litigation involving the invention or patent rights.

We declare that we have not done anything in conflict with this Assignment.

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