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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

ASSIGNMENT

In consideration of one dollar, paid to us by Axcan Pharma Inc., whose full post office address is

597, boul. Laurier, Mont St-Hilaire (Québec) J3H 6C4 Canada, receipt of which is hereby

acknowledged, and other good and valuable considerations, the undersigned, Gentium S.p.A.,

whose full post office address is Piazza XX Settembre n. 2, 22079 Villa Guardia (Como), Italy,

does hereby sell and assign (and confirm such sale and assignment) to Axcan Pharma Inc. all its

right, title and interest in the United States of America, in and to the invention entitled STABLE

AQUEOUS SUSPENSIONS OF MESALAZINE as fully described and claimed in the United

States patent no. US 5,731,302 and any corresponding patent applications including, without

limitation, continuation applications, continuation-in-part applications and divisional applications,

and any patents which may issue therefor and any patents which may be reissued, re-examined

or extended therefrom.

The undersigned, Gentium S.p.A., further agrees to execute all the forms and papers that may be

necessary to file an original, continuation, divisional or reissue application in the United States.

The undersigned, Gentium S.p.A., also agrees to communicate to Axcan Pharma Inc. or its

representatives any facts known to the undersigned, Gentium S.p.A., respecting said invention,

make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid Axcan Pharma Inc., its

successors and assigns to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in the United

States.

It is the express wish of the parties that this Agreement and all related documents be drafted in

the English language. C'est la volonté expresse des parties que cette convention et tous les

documents y afférents soient rédigés en langue anglaise.

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