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ASSIGNMENT (JOINT)

WHEREAS, we, <u>Guohua Chen, Paul R. Houston, Lothar Walter Kleiner</u>, have made certain new and useful inventions in <u>"INJECTABLE DEPOT COMPOSITIONS AND USES THEREOF"</u>, set forth in an application for Letters Patent of the United States, which is a non-provisional application filed herewith; bearing Application No. 10,295,814, and filed on November 14, 2002; and

WHEREAS, ALZA Corporation (hereinafter referred to as "ALZA"), a corporation of Delaware, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the said inventions; the right to file applications on said inventions; and the entire right, title and interest in and to any applications, including provisional applications, for Letters Patent of the United States or other countries claiming priority to said applications; in and to any Letters Patent or Patents, United States or foreign, to be obtained therefor and thereon; and any rights of priority of said inventions, applications and patents.

NOW, THEREFORE, for one Dollar (\$1.00) and other valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we have agreed to and do hereby:

SELL, ASSIGN, TRANSFER AND SET OVER unto ALZA, its successors, legal representatives and assigns our entire right, title and interest in and to the above-mentioned inventions, the right to file applications on said inventions, and the entire right, title and interest in and to any applications for Letters Patent of the United States or other countries claiming priority to said applications, and any and all Letters Patent or Patents of the United States of America and all foreign countries that may be granted therefor and thereon, and in and to any and all applications claiming priority to said applications, including provisional applications, divisions, continuations, and continuations-in-part of said applications, renewals, and reissues and extensions of said Letters Patent or Patents, and all rights under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, to the full end of the term or terms for which Letters Patent or Patents may be granted, including any rights of priority of said inventions, applications and patents; together with all claims for damages or other relief throughout the world by reason of misappropriation or other wrongful use or disposition of said invention, or infringement of said patents or patent applications, including the right to sue for, obtain, enforce and enjoy, in its own name, any and all remedies that may be available;

TO BE HELD AND ENJOYED by ALZA, its successors, assigns and legal representatives as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us had this sale, assignment and transfer not been made; and

WE HEREBY COVENANT AND AGREE for ourselves and our heirs, executors and legal representatives, to assist ALZA, its successors, assigns and legal representatives in the prosecution of said applications, and in any reissue, reexamination, interference or other legal or administrative proceeding, which may arise involving said invention, said patent applications, or said patents, and to execute without further consideration, upon request by ALZA, its successors, assigns, or legal representatives all divisional, continuing, reissue, term extension or other applications for patents in any country, as well as such other documents that may be used to fully secure to ALZA, its successors, assigns and legal representatives the rights, titles and interests granted herein; and

WE HEREBY AUTHORIZE AND REQUEST the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States of America to issue any and all United States patents which may be granted upon said United States applications or any part of them, or upon said inventions or any part thereof, to ALZA Corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF. We have each hereunto set our hands.

Guohua Chen	this _	28	_ day of _	Hareh	_ 2003; and
Paul R. Houston	this ₋	24	_ day of _	March	_ 2003; and
Lother Wille Kleini Lothar Walter Kleiner	this _	2	_ day of __	april	_ 2003.