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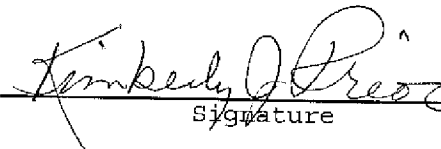
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# Assignment

WHEREAS, I/WE

Synese **Jolidon**, Rosa Maria **Rodriguez Sarmiento**, Andrew William **Thomas**, Rene **Wylwer**  
the ASSIGNOR(S), have invented certain new and useful improvements in

## **N-ACYLAMINO BENZYL ETHER DERIVATIVES**

which are described and claimed in application for United States Letters Patent in respect of which a Declaration and Power of Attorney was executed on

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which application is based upon the following foreign application(s)

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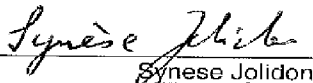
NOW, THEREFOR, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable considerations to me (us) in hand paid, the receipt and sufficiency whereof are hereby acknowledged, I/we have sold, assigned and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign and set over unto

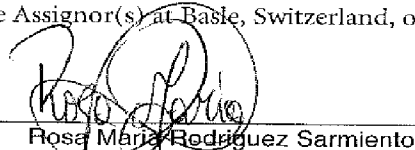
**F. Hoffmann-La Roche AG, a Swiss Company**  
of 124 Grenzacherstrasse, CH-4070 Basle, (Switzerland) the Assignee

and the said Assignee's legal representatives, successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest, in and to the said invention within the United States of America and its territories and possessions, and in and to said application and the Letters Patent of the United States of America that may be granted therefor, together with the right to extend the protection thereof to the various territories and possessions now owned or which may be acquired hereafter by the United States of America; and I/we do hereby request and authorize the Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent to the above-mentioned Assignee agreeably with the terms of this assignment.

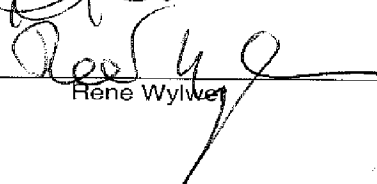
UPON SAID CONSIDERATION, I/we do hereby covenant and agree with the said Assignee that I/we will not execute any writing or do any act whatsoever conflicting with these presents, and that I/we will at any time upon request without further or additional consideration, but at the expense of the said Assignee, execute such additional assignments and other writings and do such additional acts as said Assignee may deem necessary or desirable to perfect the Assignee's enjoyment of this grant, and render all necessary assistance in making application for and obtaining original, divisional, reissued, or extended Letters Patent of the United States of America on said invention, and in enforcing any rights or choses in action accruing as a result of such applications or patents, including but not limited to, giving testimony in any proceedings or transactions involving such applications or patents, and executing preliminary statements and other affidavits, it being understood that the foregoing covenant and agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of the assigns and legal representatives of all parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Assignment has been executed by the Assignor(s) at Basle, Switzerland, on  
May 19, 2003.

  
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