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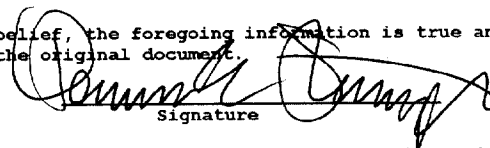
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NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of valuable consideration paid to us by **SARTORIUS AG**, a German company, whose primary address is Weender Landstrasse 94-108, D-37070 Göttingen, GERMANY, the receipt whereof is acknowledged, we do hereby assign unto the same the entire interest in said invention for the United States and all foreign countries and any letters patent to be issued therefor in the United States or any foreign country and any divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, improvements, reissues or extensions that may be made or granted thereon.

AND the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is requested to issue such letters patent in accordance herewith. And we agree to execute further instruments proper for effectuating the premises.

Executed on October 24, 2002.

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