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WHEREAS, SIGMA-TAU Industrie Farmaceutiche Riunite S.p.A. of Viale Shakespeare 47, 00144 Roma, Italy, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Country of Italy (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said application for letters patent and the inventions described therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of FIVE DOLLARS (\$5.00) and other valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, SIGMA-TAU HEALTHSCIENCE S.p.a. by these presents do sell, assign, and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE the entire right, title and interest for the territory of the United States of America in and to the aforesaid application for letters patent and the invention described therein and in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor and in and to any and all divisions, continuations, substitutions and renewals thereof.

SIGMA-TAU HEALTHSCIENCE S.p.A. hereby authorizes and requests the Patent Office in the United States and its territorial possessions to issue any and all of said Letters Patent, when granted, to said ASSIGNEE as the assignee of its entire

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, SIGMA-TAU HEALTHSCIENCE S.p.A., has caused these presents to be signed by its officer hereunto duly authorized.

SIGMA-TAU HEALTHSCIENCE S.p.A.

Date: 30 OTT. 2003

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