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**ASSIGNMENT**

In consideration of one Dollar (\$1.00), and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I (We), the undersigned,

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hereby sell, assign and transfer to Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a corporation of the State of Delaware, having a place of business at 900 Ridgebury Road, P. O. Box 368, Ridgefield, CT 06877-0368 its successors, assigns and legal representatives, our entire right, title and interest in and to any and all improvements which are disclosed in the application for United States Letters Patent which is entitled:

**METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ASSISTED CULLING AND  
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which


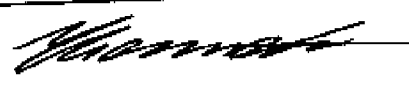
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and in and to said application and all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue, and all other applications for Letters Patent which have been or shall be filed in the United States on any of said improvements, and in and to all original and reissued patents which have been or shall be issued in the United States on said improvements;

Agree said Assignee may apply for and receive Letters Patent for said improvements in its own name, and that, when requested, without charge to but at the expense of said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, to carry out in good faith the intent and purpose of this assignment, the undersigned will execute all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue, and all other patent applications on any and all said improvements, execute all rightful oaths, assignments, powers of attorney and other papers, communicate to said Assignee, its successors, assigns, and representatives, all facts known to the undersigned relating to said improvements and the history thereof, generally do everything possible which said Assignee, its successors, assigns or representatives shall consider desirable for aiding in securing and maintaining proper patent protection for said improvements and for vesting title to said improvements and all applicants for patents and all patents on said improvements in said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representative; and

Covenant with said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives that no assignment, grant mortgage license or other agreement affecting the rights and property herein conveyed has been made to others by the undersigned, and that full right to convey the same as herein expressed is possessed by the undersigned.

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