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102647774 Date: January 9, 2004 To: Commissioner for Patents: Attorney Docket No. 5051-649 Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof. 2. Name and address of receiving party(ies): 1. Name of conveying party(ies): North Carolina State University [A] Jonathan S. Lindsey 2401 Research Drive, Suite 8210 [B] Savithri Dhanalekshmi Raleigh, NC 27695 [C] Joydev K. Laha [D] Masahiko Taniguchi Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? ____ Yes X No 3. Nature of conveyance: X Assignment Merger Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? Security Agreement _ Change of Name Other **Execution Date:** [A] 1/5/2004 [B] 1/5/2004 [C] 1/5/2004 [D] 1/5/2004 4. Application Serial No. 10/641,412 Patent No. If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application Additional numbers attached? Yes X No 6. Total number of applications and patents involved: 5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed: 7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41) \$40.00 Enclosed Kenneth D. Sibley _ Authorized to be charged to deposit account Myers Bigel Sibley & Sajovec P. O. Box 37428 Raleigh NC 27627 8. Deposit account number: 50-0220 DO NOT USE THIS SPACE 9. Statement and signature To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document. Kenneth D. Sibley Name of Person Signing Signature Total number of pages including cover sheet, attachments and document **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR §1.8** I hereby centify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on January 9, 2004.

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ASSIGNMENT

THIS ASSIGNMENT, made by us, **Jonathan S. Lindsey**, a citizen of the Untied States of America, residing at 3931 Napa Valley Drive, Raleigh, North Carolina; **Savithri Dhanalekshmi**, a citizen of India, residing at Dabney Hall, Box 8204, Raleigh, North Carolina; **Joydev K. Laha**, a citizen of India, residing at Dabney Hall, Box 8204, Raleigh, North Carolina; and, **Masahiko Taniguchi**, a citizen of Japan, residing at 2300 Avent Ferry Road, Apt. J-4, Raleigh, North Carolina;

WITNESSETH: That,

WHEREAS, we are the joint inventors of certain new and useful improvements in **SCALABLE SYNTHESIS OF DIPYRROMETHANES** for which an application has been filed, or is being concurrently filed, in the United States Patent and Trademark Office. We hereby authorize and request Myers Bigel Sibley & Sajovec, P.A., to insert here in parentheses (Application No. 10/641,412, filed August 15, 2003) the filing date and application number of said application when known or to file this Assignment concurrently with the application; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina State University, a constituent institution of The University of North Carolina and an educational institution chartered under the laws of the State of North Carolina having a principal office at 2401 Research Drive, Suite 8210, City of Raleigh, County of Wake, State of North Carolina, hereinafter referred to as assignee, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention as described in said application, and in and to any and all Letters Patent which shall be granted therefor in the United States of America and all foreign countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, To Whom It May Concern, be it known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, we have sold and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and convey unto the said assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said invention and application, and in and to any and all continuations, continuations-in-part, or divisions thereof, and in and to any and all Letters Patent of the United States of America and all foreign countries or reissues or other forms of protection thereof which may be granted therefor or thereon, for the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted along with any term extensions thereon or therefor, together with the right to claim the priority of said application in all foreign countries in accordance with the International Convention, the same to be held and enjoyed by said assignee, its successors and assigns, as

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fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us if this assignment and sale had not been made.

We hereby request that said Letters Patent be issued in accordance with this assignment.

We further covenant and agree that, at the time of the execution and delivery of these presents, we possess full title to the invention and application above-mentioned, and that we have the unencumbered right and authority to make this assignment.

We further covenant and agree to promptly communicate to said assignee or its representatives any facts known to us relating to said invention, to testify in any interference or legal proceedings involving said invention, to execute any additional papers which may be requested to confirm the right of the assignee, its representatives, successors, or assigns to secure patent or similar protection for the said invention in all countries and to vest in the assignee complete title to the said invention and Letters Patent, without further compensation, but at the expense of said assignee, its successors, assigns, and other legal representatives; and we hereby instruct, and further covenant and agree to bind our heirs, legal representatives, and assigns, to do same, without further compensation, but at the expense of said assignee or its representatives.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals on this day of <u>James</u>, 2004

(SEAL)

STATE OF <u>IC</u>) ss:

Before me personally appeared the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and they acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the purposes therein stated, this 5 day of January, 2004.

(Sail Clifor

Notary Public

SEAL

My Commission Expires: 4/14/01

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals on this
Savithri Dhanalekshmi (SEAL)
STATE OF NC) ss: COUNTY OF Wake)
Before me personally appeared the persons described in and who executed the
foregoing instrument, and they acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the purposes therein stated, this 5th day of 1000, 2004. Notary Public SEAL.

My Commission Expires: 4/14/07

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals on this	5+
day of <u>January</u> , 20 <u>04</u>	
Joydev K. Laha (SEAL)	
STATE OF NC) ss:	
Before me personally appeared the persons described in and who executed the	
foregoing instrument, and they acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the purposes therein stated, this 5th day of law of l	
SEAL	

My Commission Expires: 4/14/27

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals on this 5th day of January, 2004 Masahiko Taniguchi Masahiko Taniguchi
STATE OF NC) ss:
Before me personally appeared the persons described in and who executed the
foregoing instrument, and they acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the
purposes therein stated, this 5th day of livery, 20 of. Notary Public
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My Commission Expires: $4/14/07$

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