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ASSIGNMENT

For valuable consideration, we, JOHAN VAN WALSEM of 5 Orchard Drive, Acton, Massachusetts 01720, United States of America, LUHUA ZHONG of 9 Prospect Street, Woburn, Massachusetts 01801, United States of America, and SIMON S. SHIH of 9801 N.E. 125th Lane, #2, Kirkland, Washington 98034, United States of America, hereby assign to: Metabolix Inc., a corporation of Delaware having a place of business at:

303 Third Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142-1126
United States of America; and

its successors and assigns (collectively hereinafter called "the Assignee"), the entire right, title and interest throughout the world in the inventions and improvements which are subject of an application for United States Patent signed by us, entitled POLYMER EXTRACTION METHODS, filed July 23, 2003, and assigned U.S. Serial Number 10/625,861, and we authorize and request the attorneys appointed in said application to hereafter complete this assignment by inserting above the filing date and serial number of said application when known; this assignment including said application, any and all United States and foreign patents, utility models, and design registrations granted for any of said inventions or improvements, and the right to claim priority based on the filing date of said application under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, the Patent Cooperation Treaty, the European Patent Convention, and all other treaties of like purposes; and we authorize the Assignee to apply in all countries in our name or in its own name for patents, utility models, design registrations and like rights of exclusion and for inventors' certificates for said inventions and improvements; and we agree for ourselves and our respective heirs, legal representatives and assigns, without further compensation to perform such lawful acts and to sign such further applications, assignments, Preliminary Statements and other lawful documents as the Assignee may reasonably request to effectuate fully this assignment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and seal at Cambridge,
this 23rd day of December, 2003

JOHAN VAN WALSEM L.S.

State of Massachusetts :
: ss.
County of Middlesex :

Before me this 23rd day of December, 2003, personally
appeared JOHAN VAN WALSEM known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to
the foregoing Assignment and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed
for the purposes therein contained.

David T. Scott

Notary Public

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MY COMMISSION EXPIRES
JANUARY 24, 2008

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and seal at Cambridge,
this 19th day of December, 2003
Lu Hua Zhong L.S.
LUHUA ZHONG

State of Massachusetts :
: ss.
County of Middlesex :

Before me this 19th day of December, 2003, personally
appeared LUHUA ZHONG known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the
foregoing Assignment and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed for
the purposes therein contained.

David T. Scott
Notary Public

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