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 HSJ Biodaq Holding Company, LLC  
 130 Research Parkway  
 Meriden, CT 06450

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached?  
 ( ) Yes (x) No

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):  
 Name: Research Diets, Inc.  
 Internal Address:  
 Street Address: 20 Jules Lane  
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2. Name and Address of receiving Party(ies)

Name: Biodaq, LLC

Street Address: 20 Jules Lane

City: New Brunswick      State: NJ      Zip: 08901

**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, HSJ Biodaq Holding Company, LLC, a Connecticut limited liability company with offices located at 130 Research Parkway, Meriden, CT 06450 ("Assignor") has certain ownership interests in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/212,996 pursuant to a Security Instrument dated February 28, 2000 ("the Security Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, Research Diets, Inc., a New Jersey corporation with offices at 20 Jules Lane, New Brunswick, NJ 08901 ("RDI") and Biodaq, LLC, a New Jersey limited liability company with offices at 20 Jules Lane, New Brunswick, NJ 08901 ("BDQ")(collectively "Assignees") desire to acquire the interests of Assignor in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/212,996.

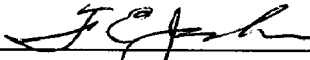
NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Assignor hereby assigns and transfers to Assignees, their successors, assigns and legal representatives, their entire right, title and interest in and to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/212,996, including without limitation all of Assignor's rights in the patent pursuant to the Security Agreement, and further including the full and exclusive rights to any and all inventions described in said patent for the United States, its territorial possessions and all foreign countries as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignor if this Assignment had not been made, and in and to any and all continuations, divisions, continuations-in-part, substitutes, reissues, and extensions thereof, and all other applications for Letters Patents relating thereto which have been or shall be filed in the United States, its territorial possessions and any foreign countries, and all rights, including all priority rights, under any of the international conventions, unions, agreements, acts, and treaties, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignor if this Assignment had not been made; together with all claims for damages by reason of past infringement, with the right to sue for, and collect the same, for Assignees' own use and benefit, and for the use and benefit of Assignees' successors, assigns and other legal representatives;

AND FURTHER, Assignor hereby agrees that, when requested to carry out in good faith the intent and purpose of this Assignment, at the expense of said Assignees, but without charge to Assignees, their successors, assigns and legal representatives, Assignor will execute all continuations, divisions, substitutes, reissues, and extensions of said patent, execute all rightful oaths, assignments, powers of attorney and other papers, testify in any legal or quasi legal proceedings; communicate to said Assignees, their successors, assigns, and legal representatives all facts known to the undersigned relating to said invention and the history thereof and generally do everything possible which said Assignees, its successors, assigns or legal representatives shall consider desirable for aiding in securing, maintaining and enforcing proper patent protection for the inventions and for vesting title to the inventions and all applications for patents on the inventions in said Assignees, their successors, assigns and legal representatives;

AND FURTHER, Assignor hereby covenants with Assignees, their 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 Assignor.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Assignor has caused this Assignment to be executed and delivered this 10 day of January 2004.

Assignor: HSJ Biodaq Holding Company, LLC

By: 

Its: President

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