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First Inventor	Laurent Bernard, FISHER
Title	CANINE GHRH GENE, POLYPEPTIDES AND METHODS OF USE
Express Mail Label No.	EV 335924551 US

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
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- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
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 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
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 - Claim(s)
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ASSIGNMENT

We, **Laurent Bernard, FISCHER**, who resides at: **17, Chemin Vert, 69110 Sainte Foy Les Lyon, France**; **Nathalie Michele, CACHET**, who resides at: **152, Chemin de Fontanières, 69110 Sainte Foy Les Lyons, France**; and **Simona BARZU-LE ROUX** who resides at : **461, Route de Sain Bel 69210 Lentilly, FRANCE**, have made certain inventions or discoveries (or both) set forth in an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America entitled: **CANINE GHRH GENE, POLYPEPTIDES AND METHODS OF USE** and **MERIAL LIMITED**, a company limited by shares Registered in England and Wales No. 3332751, with registered office at P.O. BOX 327, Sandringham House, Sandringham Avenue, Harlow business Park, Harlow Essex CM19 5TG, England, and domesticated in Delaware, USA as MERIAL LLC, with a place of business at 3239 Satellite Blvd., Duluth, GA 30096-4640, USA, and which, together with its successors and assigns is hereinafter called "Assignee," is desirous of acquiring the title, rights, benefits and privileges hereinafter recited, and of confirming the same or any part thereof heretofore acquired by Assignee.

Now, therefore, for valuable consideration furnished by Assignee to us, receipt and sufficiency of which we hereby acknowledge, we hereby, without reservation:

1. Assign and convey to and confirm in Assignee the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions and discoveries, said application for Letters Patent of the United States of America, any and all other applications for Letters Patent on said inventions and discoveries in whatsoever countries, including all divisional, renewal, substitute, continuation and Convention applications based in whole or in part upon said inventions or discoveries or upon said applications, and any and all Letters Patent and reissues and extensions of Letters Patent granted for said inventions and discoveries or upon said applications, and every priority right that is or may be predicated upon or arise from said inventions, said discoveries, said applications and said Letters Patent;

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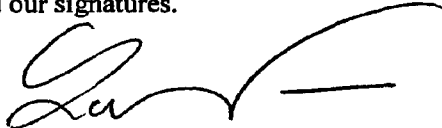
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5. Bind our heirs and legal representatives, as well as ourselves to do, upon Assignee's request and at its expense, but without additional consideration to us or them, all acts reasonably serving to assure that the said inventions and discoveries, the said patent applications and the said Letters Patent shall be held and enjoyed by Assignee as fully and entirely as the same could have been held and enjoyed by us or our heirs or representatives if this assignment had not been made; and particularly to execute and deliver to Assignee all lawful application documents including petitions, specifications, and oaths, and all assignments, disclaimers, and lawful affidavits in form

and substance as may be requested by Assignee; to communicate to Assignee all facts known to us relating to said inventions and discoveries or the history thereof; and to furnish Assignee with any and all documents, photographs, models, samples and other physical exhibits in our control or in the control of our heirs or legal representatives and which may be useful for establishing the facts of our conceptions, disclosures, and reduction to practice of said inventions and discoveries.

In testimony of which we have affixed our signatures.

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