PATENT ASSIGNMENT

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RELEASE OF SECURITY INTEREST IN PATENTS

THIS RELEASE OF SECURITY INTEREST IN PATENTS (this "Release") is made as of Newmber 2 ..., 2005 ("Effective Date") by and between CYGNUS CORPORATION, an Illinois corporation ("Grantor"), and LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION ("Grantee").

WHEREAS, pursuant to the terms and conditions of that certain Patent Security Agreement by and between Grantor and Grantee dated September 30, 2002 (the "Patent Security Agreement"), Grantor granted to Grantee a continuing security interest in and to all of Grantor's right, title and interest in and to the Patent Collateral (as defined in the Patent Security Agreement), including, without limitation, the patents set forth on Exhibit A attached hereto (collectively, the "Patents");

WHEREAS, Grantor and Grantee entered into the Patent Security Agreement pursuant to the terms and conditions of that certain Joinder to Security Agreement between Grantor and Grantee dated September 30, 2002 (the "Security Agreement");

WHEREAS, the Patent Security Agreement was recorded with the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("PTO") on October 18, 2002, at Reel 13380, Frame 0380; and

WHEREAS, Grantor has paid all of its outstanding indebtedness to Grantee.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Grantee hereby terminates the Patent Security Agreement and the Security Agreement, and hereby terminates, cancels and releases any and all security interests it has against the Patents.

Grantee shall, at Grantor's expense, take all further actions, and provide to Grantor, its successors, assigns or other legal representatives, all such cooperation and assistance (including, without limitation, the execution and delivery of any and all documents or other instruments), reasonably requested by Grantor to more fully and effectively effectuate the purposes of this Release.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Grantee has caused this Release to be executed by its duly authorized representative as of the Effective Date.

LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Title: CHARLES CORBISIERO

First Vice President

SCHEDULE A

PATENTS

Title	Patent Number	Issue Date
Polyanhydroaspartic acid and method of dry	5,219,986	6/15/1993
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