

Assignment

WHEREAS, I/WE

Werner BONRATH, Claus DITTEL, Lisa GIRAUDI, Thomas NETSCHER, Thomas PABST

the ASSIGNOR(S), have invented certain new and useful improvements in

PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF α -TOCOPHERYL-ACETATE

which are described and claimed in European Application No. 03000493.1 filed January 13, 2003 in Europe, European Patent Application No. 03024288.7 filed October 23, 2003 and PCT/EP2003/014723 filed December 22, 2003 also in Europe.

NOW, THEREFOR, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable considerations to me (us) in hand paid, the receipt and sufficiency whereof are hereby acknowledged, I/we have sold, assigned and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign and set over unto

DSM IP ASSETS B.V., a Netherlands Corporation
of Het Overloon 1, NL-6411 TE Heerlen (The Netherlands), the Assignee

and the said Assignee's legal representatives, successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest, in and to the said invention within the United States of America and its territories and possessions, and in and to said application and the Letters Patent of the United States of America that may be granted therefor, together with the right to extend the protection thereof to the various territories and possessions now owned or which may be acquired hereafter by the United States of America; and I/we do hereby request and authorize the Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent to the above-mentioned Assignee agreeably with the terms of this assignment.

UPON SAID CONSIDERATION, I/we do hereby covenant and agree with the said Assignee that I/we will not execute any writing or do any act whatsoever conflicting with these presents, and that I/we will at any time upon request without further or additional consideration, but at the expense of the said Assignee, execute such additional assignments and other writings and do such additional acts as said Assignee may deem necessary or desirable to perfect the Assignee's enjoyment of this grant, and render all necessary assistance in making application for and obtaining original, divisional, reissued, or extended Letters Patent of the United States of America on said invention, and in enforcing any rights or choices in action accruing as a result of such applications or patents, including but not limited to, giving testimony in any proceedings or transactions involving such applications or patents, and executing preliminary statements and other affidavits, it being understood that the foregoing covenant and agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of the assigns and legal representatives of all parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Assignment has been executed by the Assignor(s)


at ~~KAISERAUGST~~,

, on 20 May

2005.



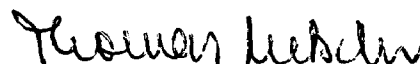
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