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all of which applications are collectively referred to herein as "the patent applications."

We were employed by the Department of Health and Human Services at the time the invention was made. The conditions under which said invention was made are such as to entitle the Government of the United States of America under Paragraph 1(a) of Executive Order 10096, to the entire right, title, and interest in the invention, in the United States and all other countries throughout the world.

In consideration of our obligations under Executive Order 10096, and other valuable consideration, we the undersigned, have sold, assigned, and transferred and do sell, assign, and transfer to The Government of the United States of America as represented by the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (hereinafter THE GOVERNMENT), and successors and assigns, the full and exclusive right, title, and interest in the patent applications and invention throughout the United States of America, its territories and dependencies, and all other countries. This includes an assignment of all Letters Patent that may be granted on the invention in the United States of America and all countries throughout the world, and any divisional, renewal, continuation in whole or in part, substitution, conversion, reissue, prolongation or extension thereof; and the right to claim priority from the patent applications as provided for by United States law, the Patent Cooperation Treaty, the European Patent Convention, the Paris Convention, or other applicable law.

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