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WHEREAS, I, Benson M. Fong, a United States citizen, residing at 19 Chenery Street, San Francisco, CA 94002, have invented certain new and useful improvements in a FASUDIL IN COMBINATION THERAPIES FOR THE TREATMENT OF PULMONARY ARTERIAL HYPERTENSION for which I have filed an application for Letters Patent in the United States, Application No. 11/588,185, Filing DAte of October 25, 2006;

AND WHEREAS, CoTherix Inc. (hereinafter "ASSIGNEE"), a Delaware Corporation, with its principal place of business at 2000 Sierra Point Parkway, Suite 600, Brisbane, CA 94005-1846, desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in and to said improvements and said Application:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to me in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I, said inventor, do hereby acknowledge that I have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest throughout the world in, to and under said improvements, and said application and all provisional applications relating thereto, and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority under International Conventions and applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States, and all Letters Patent which may be granted for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof; and I hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue all Letters Patent for said improvements to said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND I DO HEREBY sell, assign, transfer, and convey to ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns all claims for damages and all remedies arising out of any violation of the rights assigned hereby that may have accrued prior to the date of assignment to ASSIGNEE, or may accrue hereafter, including, but not limited to, the right to sue for, collect, and retain damages for past infringements of said Letters Patent before or after issuance.

AND I HEREBY covenant and agree that 1 will communicate to said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to me respecting said improvements, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal this  $\overline{2}$ 

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on 1/4/07 , before me, DANGE F. Flaim personally appeared Benson M. Fong personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity(ies), and that by his signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

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