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ASSIGNMENT

Whereas, Sanofi-Aventis Deutschland GmbH (as legal successor of Aventis Research & Technologies GmbH & Co. KG) (hereinafter referred to as Assignor) is the current assignee and owner of the above list of patents, and/or patent applications.

Whereas, Merck Patent GmbH, whose address is Frankfurter Strasse 250, 64293 Darmstadt, Germany (hereinafter referred to as "Assignee") is desirous of securing the entire right, title, and interest in and to the inventions in the United States relating to the above list of patents/patent applications.

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration the receipt of which from assignee is hereby acknowledged, Assignor has assigned to Assignee, its lawful successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest to the above list of patents/patent applications and all reissues therefor, and all rights to claim priority on the basis of such patents, and all applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be or have been filed related to the above listed patent in the United States, and all Letters Patent which may be granted on these inventions in the United States, and all extensions, renewals, and reissues therefor;

AND, Assignor HEREBY covenants that Assignor has the full right to convey the interest assigned by the Assignment, and Assignor will, without further consideration, communicate with Assignee, its successors and assigns, any fact known to Assignor about the attached listed patents/patent applications, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful when called upon to do so, execute and deliver any and all papers that may be necessary or desirable to perfect the titles to these inventions in Assignee, its successors or assigns, execute all divisional, continuation, and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid assignee, its successors and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for these inventions in the United States, it being understood that any expense incident to the execution of such papers shall be borne by the Assignee, its successors and assigns.

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