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11/438,370

B. Patent No.(s)

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A S S I G N M E N T

THIS ASSIGNMENT, made on the date set forth below by Katherine Siegler, residing at 9169 79th Avenue, Seminole, FL 33777; Kenneth Iczkowski, residing at 5525 South Olathe Lane, Centennial, CO 80015; and Pedro L. Vera, residing at 11691 Oval Drive West, Largo, FL 33774, (hereinafter referred to as the assignors) witnesseth:

WHEREAS, said assignors have invented certain new and useful improvements in POLYMORPHISM IN THE MACROPHAGE MIGRATION INHIBITORY FACTOR (MIF) GENE AS MARKER FOR PROSTATE CANCER set forth in an application for Letters Patent of the United States (U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 11/438,370, filed May 23, 2006); and

WHEREAS, The United States of America as represented by The Department of Veterans Affairs, whose post office address is Technology Transfer Program, Office of Research and Development, 810 Vermont Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20420, (hereinafter referred to as the assignee) is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions and said application for Letters Patent of the United States, and in and to any Letters Patent or Patents, United States or foreign, to be obtained therefor and thereon.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the assignors have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do sell, transfer and set over, unto the assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-mentioned inventions, application for Letters Patent, and any and all Letters Patent or Patents in the United States of America and all foreign

countries which may be granted therefor and thereon, and in and to any and all divisions, continuations, and continuations-in-part of said application, or reissues or extensions of said Letters Patent or Patents, and all rights under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, the same to be held and enjoyed by the said assignee, for its own use and behoof and the use and behoof of its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which Letters Patent or Patents may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by the assignors, had this sale and assignment not been made.

AND for the same consideration, the said assignors hereby covenant and agree to and with the said assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, that, at the time of execution and delivery of these presents, the said assignors are the sole and lawful owners of the entire right, title and interest in and to the said inventions and the application for Letters Patent above-mentioned, and that the same are unencumbered and that the said assignors have good and full right and lawful authority to sell and convey the same in the manner herein set forth.

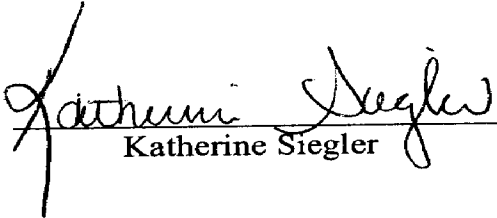
AND for the same consideration, the said assignors hereby covenant and agree to and with the said assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, that the said assignors will, whenever counsel of the said assignee or the counsel of its successors, legal representatives and assigns, shall advise that any proceeding in connection with said inventions, or said application for Letters Patent, or any proceeding in connection with Letters Patent for said inventions in any country, including interference proceedings, is lawful and desirable, that any division, continuation or continuation-in-part of any application for Letters Patent, or reissue

or extension of any Letters Patent, to be obtained thereon, is lawful and desirable, sign all papers and documents, take all lawful oaths, and do all acts necessary or required to be done for the procurement, maintenance, enforcement and defense of Letters Patent for said inventions, without charge to the said assignors, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, but at the cost and expense of the said assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns.

AND said assignors hereby request the Commissioner of Patent and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent of the United States to the said assignee, as the assignee of said inventions and the Letters Patent to be issued thereon for the sole use and behoof of the said assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns.

The undersigned hereby grant the firm of BLANK ROME LLP the power to insert on this Assignment any further identification which may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the United States Patent and Trademark Office for recordation of this document.

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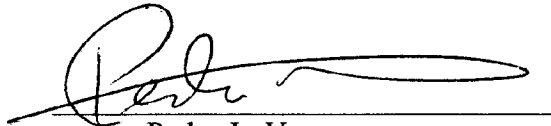
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