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hereinafter called assignor(s), have invented certain improvements in

HYDROXYLASE GENE AND USE THEREOF

and executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America therefor on  
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(assignee), desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest in the application and invention,  
and to any United States patents to be obtained therefor;

Now therefore, for valuable consideration, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged,

I/We, the above named assignor(s), hereby sell, assign and transfer to the above named  
assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in the application and the  
invention disclosed therein for the United States of America, including the right to claim priority under  
35 U.S.C. § 119, and I/we request the Director - U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to issue any Letters  
Patent granted upon the invention set forth in the application to the assignee, its successors and  
assigns; and I/we will execute without further consideration all papers deemed necessary by the  
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I/We hereby authorize and request my/our attorneys SUGHRUE MION, PLLC of 2100  
Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20037-3213 to insert here in parentheses (Application  
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