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IN CONSIDERATION of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), and of other good and valuable consideration paid to the undersigned inventor(s) (hereinafter ASSIGNOR) by

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(hereinafter ASSIGNEE), the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the undersigned ASSIGNOR hereby sells, assigns and transfers to ASSIGNEE the entire and exclusive right, title and interest to the invention entitled

**"NITRATE ESTERS OF CORTICOID COMPOUNDS AND  
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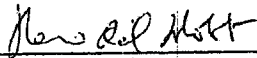
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned inventor(s) has (have) affixed his/her/their signature(s).

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