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ASSIGNMENT OF SHARE OF UNITED STATES PATENT APPLICATION

Recitals:

WHEREAS

(1) **Ermanno GHERARDI** of MRC Centre, Hills Road, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire CB2 2QH

and

(2) **Daniel LIETHA**, of MRC Centre, Hills Road, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire CB2 2QH (together/collectively hereinafter referred to as "the Inventors") have with others invented certain new and useful improvements in:

THE NK1 FRAGMENT OF HEPATOCYTE GROWTH FACTOR/SCATTER FACTOR (HGF/SF) AND VARIANTS THEREOF, AND THEIR USE

the specification of which was filed as United States Patent Application No. 10/475616, filed in the US Patent office on 22 October 2003, (hereinafter referred to as 'the Application')

AND WHEREAS MEDICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL, a body corporate registered in England and having a principal place of business at 20 Park Crescent, London W1B 1AL, United Kingdom (hereinafter referred to as 'the Assignee') is desirous of acquiring the Inventors' entire right, title and interest, for the United States of America, in and to the Application and the invention and improvements therein disclosed, and any Letters Patent which may issue therefor in the United States of America and all divisionals, continuations, reissues, re-examinations, renewals, and extensions thereof.

Operative Provisions:

NOW THEREFORE in consideration of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged the Inventors hereby **ASSIGN** absolutely unto the Assignee all their right, title and interest in and to the Application and the invention and improvements therein disclosed, for the United States of America, and any patents granted on the Application including any divisionals, continuations re-issues, re-examinations, renewals, and extensions thereof, and including the right to sue for and recover damages in respect of past infringement, the said interest being their entire ownership of the said Letters Patent when granted, to be held and enjoyed by the Assignee to the full end of the term for which the said Letters Patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by the Inventors if this assignment had not been made.

And the Inventors authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue the said Letters Patent to the Assignee.

And for the consideration aforesaid, the Inventors agree that the Inventors will, upon request, communicate to the Assignee or the representatives thereof any facts known to the Inventors respecting the invention or improvements of the Application, and will, upon request, but without expense to the Inventors, testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuation, reissue, re-examination, renewal and extension applications, and generally do all other and further lawful acts deemed necessary or expedient by the Assignee or by counsel for the Assignee to assist or enable the Assignee to obtain and enforce full benefits from the rights and interests herein assigned.

This assignment shall be binding upon the Inventors' heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, and shall inure to the benefit of administrators, successors and assigns, as the case may be, of the Assignee.

(1) Signature of 
Ermanno GHERARDI

Date: 2.11.2004

(2) Signature of 
Daniel LIETHA

Date: 12.11.2004