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**ASSIGNMENT OF PROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION**

JOINT

WHEREAS, Yue Chen of College of Pharmacy, Nankai University  
94 Weijin Road, Tianjin, 300071 People's Republic of China; and Yong Li of 811 Seale Avenue, Palo  
Alto, CA 94303, hereinafter referred to as "Assignors," are the inventors of the invention described and  
set forth in the below-identified provisional patent application:

Title of Invention: INTERMEDIATES AND METHODS FOR THE  
PREPARATION OF EPOTHILONES

Filing Date: November 12, 2007

Application No.: 60/987,282; and

WHEREAS, Kosan Biosciences Incorporated, a corporation of the state of Delaware,  
located at 3832 Bay Center Place, Hayward, CA 94545, hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE," is  
desirous of acquiring an interest in the invention and application and in any U.S. Letters Patent and  
Registrations which may be granted on any patent application claiming priority from the same;

For good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by  
Assignors, Assignors have assigned, and by these presents do assign to Assignee all right, title and  
interest in and to the invention and application and to all foreign counterparts (including patent, utility  
model and industrial designs), and in and to any Letters Patent and Registrations which may hereafter be  
granted on any patent application claiming priority from the same in the United States and all countries  
throughout the world, and to claim the priority from the application as provided by the Paris Convention.  
The right, title and interest is to be held and enjoyed by Assignee and Assignee's successors and assigns  
as fully and exclusively as it would have been held and enjoyed by Assignors had this Assignment not  
been made, for the full term of any Letters Patent and Registrations which may be granted thereon, or of  
any division, renewal, continuation in whole or in part, substitution, conversion, reissue, prolongation or  
extension thereof.

Assignors further agree that they will, without charge to Assignee, but at Assignee's  
expense, (a) cooperate with Assignee in the prosecution of U.S. Patent applications and foreign  
counterparts on the invention and any improvements, (b) execute, verify, acknowledge and deliver all  
such further papers, including applications and instruments of transfer, and (c) perform such other acts as  
Assignee lawfully may request to obtain or maintain Letters Patent and Registrations for the invention  
and improvements in any and all countries, and to vest title thereto in Assignee, or Assignee's successors  
and assigns.

Assignors hereby authorize and request Townsend and Townsend and Crew LLP, Two Embarcadero Center, Eighth Floor, San Francisco, CA 94111-3834, to insert herein above the application number and filing date of said application when known.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignors have signed their names on the dates indicated.

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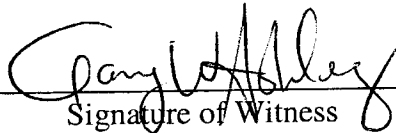
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