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**ASSIGNMENT**

**WHEREAS, WE, Albert W. Brzeczko**, a citizen of the **United States**, with a post office address of **100 Foal Drive, Roswell, GA 30076**; and **R. Gary Hollenbeck**, a citizen of the **United States**, with a post office address of **3401 Sylvan Lane, Ellicott City, MD 21043**; hereinafter generally referred to as ASSIGNORS, have invented certain new and useful inventions entitled:

**“METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR SELF-REGULATED RELEASE OF ACTIVE PHARMACEUTICAL INGREDIENT”**

that is described in U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. **61/731,901** filed **November 30, 2012** and U.S. Patent Application No. **14/091,817** filed **November 27, 2013**; (“Inventions”) naming the above ASSIGNORS as inventors and/or applicant.

**WHEREAS, Acura Pharmaceuticals, Inc.**, a **Corporation** having a place of business at 616 N. North Court #120, Palatine, IL 60067, hereinafter generally referred to as “ASSIGNEE,” is desirous of acquiring and/or confirming the acquisition of said Inventions.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged and intending to be legally bound hereby, we, the undersigned ASSIGNORS, have assigned and/or by these presents do sell, assign, transfer and convey unto the above-named ASSIGNEE, the whole and entire right, title and interest:

in and to said Inventions as described in the above patent application, for the territory of the United States and its possessions and territories and all foreign countries;

in and to the above patent application and any and all United States and foreign patent applications disclosing said Inventions including, without limitation, applications for patents including provisionals, non-provisionals, divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, requests for continued examinations, utility models, PCT applications and designs and any other related United States and foreign applications and equivalents thereof (“Applications”), along with the right to claim priority to said Applications under any treaty relating thereto;

in and to all United States and foreign patents, utility models, inventor’s certificates and designs and all equivalents thereof which may be granted for said Inventions or Applications, including extensions, renewals, reissues and reexamination certificates thereof (“Patents”); and

in and to all rights to sue for and collect damages resulting from past, present and future infringement of all granted or to be granted Patents;

said Inventions, Applications and Patents to be held and enjoyed by the above-named ASSIGNEE, for ASSIGNEE's own use and benefit, and for ASSIGNEE's legal representatives and assigns to the full end of the term or terms for which said granted or to be granted Patents, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by the undersigned ASSIGNORS had this assignment and sale not been made; and for the aforesaid consideration ASSIGNORS hereby covenant, agree and undertake to execute, whenever requested by the above-named ASSIGNEE, all patent applications, assignments, lawful oaths and any other papers which ASSIGNEE may deem necessary or desirable for securing to ASSIGNEE or for maintaining for ASSIGNEE all the Applications and Patents hereby assigned or agreed to be assigned; all without further compensation to the undersigned ASSIGNORS.

It is agreed that ASSIGNORS shall be legally bound, upon request and at the expense of ASSIGNEE or its successors or assigns or a legal representative thereof, to supply all information and evidence of which the undersigned has knowledge or possession, relating to the making and practicing of the Inventions, and to testify in any legal proceeding relating thereto.

ASSIGNORS hereby represent and warrant that they have full right, power and authority to assign ASSIGNOR'S entire right, title, and interest in said Patents and Applications, and Inventions disclosed therein, and to consummate the assignment contemplated herein. ASSIGNORS also represent and warrant that they have full right, power, and authority to enter into, execute, and deliver this Assignment, the execution and delivery of which have been duly authorized by all necessary action on the part of ASSIGNORS, and no other authorization or proceedings on the part of ASSIGNORS are necessary to authorize this Assignment. This Assignment has been duly executed and delivered and constitutes a valid, binding and enforceable assignment of the entire right, title, and interest in the Patents and Applications, and Inventions disclosed therein.

ASSIGNORS hereby warrant that no assignment, sale, agreement, or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into which would conflict with this Assignment.

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(Date)

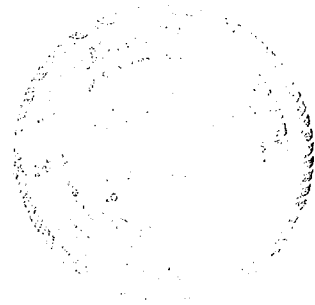
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STATE OF *Georgia* :  
: ss.  
COUNTY OF *Fulton* :

Before me, a notary public in and for the State and County aforesaid, on this 31<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2014, personally appeared **Albert W. Brzezko**, who being to me personally known, and who having first executed the foregoing Assignment in connection with the invention(s) entitled **METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR SELF-REGULATED RELEASE OF ACTIVE PHARMACEUTICAL INGREDIENT** in my presence and have been by me first duly sworn, did acknowledge the foregoing instrument as his free deed and act, signed, sealed and delivered by him for the purpose therein stated and intending to be legally bound thereby and intending that said instrument be recorded.

*Richard J. Dwyer*  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: *Nov 1, 2014*



31 JAN 2014  
(Date)

R. Gary Hollenbeck  
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STATE OF Maryland :  
: ss.  
COUNTY OF Anne Arundel :

Before me, a notary public in and for the State and County aforesaid, on this 31 day of January, 2014, personally appeared **R. Gary Hollenbeck**, who being to me personally known, and who having first executed the foregoing Assignment in connection with the invention(s) entitled **METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR SELF-REGULATED RELEASE OF ACTIVE PHARMACEUTICAL INGREDIENT** in my presence and have been by me first duly sworn, did acknowledge the foregoing instrument as his free deed and act, signed, sealed and delivered by him for the purpose therein stated and intending to be legally bound thereby and intending that said instrument be recorded.

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My Commission Expires: 09-16-2016

**SUNYE LITTLE**  
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