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## PATENT SECURITY AGREEMENT

THIS PATENT SECURITY AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is made as of September 10, 2021, by PARTICLE DYNAMICS INTERNATIONAL, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Grantor"), in favor of FIRST MERCHANTS BANK ("Lender").

### WITNESSETH:

**WHEREAS**, Grantor and Lender have entered into that certain Credit Agreement, dated as of September 30, 2019 (as amended by that certain First Amendment to Credit Agreement and Omnibus Amendment to Loan Documents, dated as of the date hereof, and as may be further amended, modified or supplemented from time to time, the "Credit Agreement"); and

**WHEREAS**, it is a condition to any further extensions of credit to or for the benefit of Grantor under the Credit Agreement that, among other things, Grantor execute and deliver to Lender this Agreement;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the premises set forth herein and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Grantor agrees as follows:

**1. Incorporation of Credit Agreement.** The Credit Agreement and the terms and provisions thereof are hereby incorporated herein in their entirety by this reference thereto. Terms used herein which are not defined herein but are defined in the Credit Agreement shall have the meanings ascribed to them therein.

**2. Grant of Security Interest, Etc.** To secure the complete and timely satisfaction of all of Grantor's Obligations to Lender, Grantor hereby grants to Lender and reaffirms its grant set forth in the Security Agreement of a security interest in and to all of Grantor's right, title and interest in, to and under all of the patents and patent applications, including, without limitation, the inventions and improvements described and claimed therein, and those United States registrations and applications for registration of patents listed on Schedule A attached hereto and made a part hereof, and (a) the reissues, divisions, continuations, renewals, extensions and continuations-in-part thereof, (b) all income, royalties, damages and payments now and hereafter due and/or payable under and with respect thereto, including, without limitation, damages and payments for past or future infringements thereof, (c) the right to sue for past, present and future infringements thereof, and (d) all rights corresponding thereto throughout the world (all of the foregoing patents and applications, together with the items described in clauses (a) through (d), inclusive, in which Grantor now or hereafter has any right, title or interest are sometimes hereinafter individually and/or collectively referred to as the "Patents");

**3. Restrictions on Future Agreements.** Grantor agrees and covenants that until the Obligations shall have been satisfied in full and the Credit Agreement shall have been terminated, Grantor will not, without Lender's prior written consent, take any action or enter into any agreement, including, without limitation entering into any license agreement outside the ordinary

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course of Grantor's business, which is inconsistent with Grantor's obligations under this Agreement, and Grantor further agrees and covenants, subject to Section 8 hereof, that without Lender's prior written consent it will not take any action, or permit any action to be taken by others subject to its control, including its licensees, or fail to take any action which would affect the validity or enforcement or nature of the rights transferred to Lender under this Agreement. Except to the extent expressly permitted by the Credit Agreement, Grantor agrees and covenants not to sell or assign its interest in, or, other than in the ordinary course of Grantor's business, grant any license under, the Patents without receiving the prior written consent of Lender thereto.

**4. Certain Covenants, Representations and Warranties of Grantor.** Grantor covenants, represents and warrants that: (i) the Patents set forth in the Schedule hereto are subsisting, have not been adjudged invalid or unenforceable in whole or in part, and are not currently being challenged, in each case, in any way that could reasonably be expected to, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect; (ii) except as otherwise expressly permitted under the Credit Agreement, or other Loan Documents, none of the Patents set forth in the Schedule hereto have lapsed or expired or have been abandoned, whether due to any failure to pay any maintenance or other fees or make any filing or otherwise; (iii) each of the Patents is valid and enforceable (except to the extent the failure to be valid or enforceable could not reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect) and Grantor is unaware of any invalidating prior art (including public uses and sales) relative to the Patents, and is unaware of any impairments to the Patents set forth in the Schedule hereto which would have a Material Adverse Effect on the validity and/or enforceability of the Patents; (iv) to the best of Grantor's knowledge, no claim has been made that the use of any of the material Patents constitutes an infringement; (v) Grantor owns the entire right, title and interest in and to each of the Patents set forth in the Schedule hereto free and clear of any Liens and encumbrances of every kind and nature (except to the extent the failure to be valid or subsisting could not reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect), free and clear of any Liens and encumbrances of every kind and nature arising by, through or under Grantor, in each case except for Permitted Encumbrances and any other Liens permitted by the Credit Agreement; (vi) Grantor has the unqualified right to enter into this Agreement and perform its terms; and (vii) Grantor will use proper statutory notice in connection with its use of the Patents (except as to any thereof which is no longer material to Grantor's business).

**5. New Patents.** If, before the Obligations shall have been satisfied in full and the Credit Agreement shall have been terminated, Grantor shall (i) obtain rights to any new patentable inventions, or (ii) become entitled to the benefit of any patent or patent for any reissue, division, continuation, renewal, extension, or continuation-in-part of any Patent or any improvement on any Patent, the provisions of Section 2 above shall automatically apply thereto and Grantor shall give to Lender written notice thereof within ten (10) days of such occurrence. Grantor hereby authorizes Lender to modify this Agreement by noting any future acquired Patents on Schedule A, as applicable; provided, however, that the failure of Lender to make any such notation shall not limit or affect the obligations of Grantor or rights of Lender hereunder.

**6. Royalties; Terms.** Grantor hereby agrees that the security interest of Lender in all Patents, as described above shall be worldwide and, without any liability for royalties or other

related charges from Lender to Grantor. The term of the security interest granted herein shall extend until the earlier of (i) the expiration of each of the respective Patents assigned hereunder, or (ii) satisfaction in full of the Obligations and termination of the Credit Agreement.

**7. Termination of Grantor's Interest.** This Agreement is made for collateral purposes only. Upon satisfaction in full of the Obligations, the security interest granted hereunder shall automatically be extinguished. Lender shall, at the request of Grantor and at Grantor's expense, execute and promptly deliver to Grantor, all termination statements and other instruments as may be necessary or proper to evidence the termination of Lender's security interest granted to Lender pursuant to this Agreement. Any such termination statements and instruments shall be without recourse upon or warranty by Lender.

**8. Duties of Grantor.** Except to the extent the same is no longer material to Grantor's business or to the extent in the Grantor's reasonable business judgment such action is unnecessary or otherwise not in the best interest of such Grantor, Grantor shall have the duty (i) to prosecute diligently any application with respect to Patents, in each case pending as of the date hereof or hereafter, (ii) to make application on unpatented but patentable inventions, and (iii) to preserve, maintain and enforce against infringement all rights in patent applications and patents constituting the Patents. Any expenses incurred in connection with the foregoing (including, but not limited to, maintenance or renewal fees) shall be borne by Grantor. Except to the extent the same is no longer material to Grantor's business or except to the extent expressly permitted by the Credit Agreement or Security Agreement, Grantor shall not abandon any pending patent application or patent without the written consent of Lender.

**9. Lender's Right to Sue.** From and after the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, Lender shall have the right, but shall in no way be obligated, to bring suit in its own name to enforce the Patents, and any licenses thereunder, and, if Lender shall commence any such suit, Grantor shall, at the request of Lender, do any and all lawful acts and execute any and all proper documents reasonably required by Lender in aid of such enforcement, and Grantor shall promptly, upon demand, reimburse and indemnify Lender for all reasonable costs and expenses incurred by Lender in the exercise of its rights under this Section 9.

**10. Waivers.** No course of dealing between Grantor and Lender, nor any failure to exercise, nor any delay in exercising, on the part of Lender, any right, power or privilege hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof; nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, power or privilege hereunder or thereunder preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or privilege.

**11. Severability.** The provisions of this Agreement are severable, and if any clause or provision shall be held invalid and unenforceable in whole or in part in any jurisdiction, then such invalidity or unenforceability shall affect only such clause or provision, or part thereof, in such jurisdiction, and shall not in any manner affect such clause or provision in any other jurisdiction.

**12. Modification.** This Agreement cannot be altered, amended or modified in any way, except as specifically provided in Section 5 hereof or by a writing signed by the parties hereto.

**13. Further Assurances.** Grantor shall execute and deliver to Lender, at any time or times hereafter at the reasonable request of Lender, all papers (including, without limitation, any as may be deemed desirable by Lender for filing or recording with any Patent and Trademark Office, and any successor thereto). Grantor shall take all such actions (including, without limitation, paying the cost of filing or recording any of the foregoing in all public offices reasonably deemed desirable by Lender), as Lender may reasonably request, to evidence Lender's interest in the Patents and enforce Lender's rights under this Agreement.

**14. Cumulative Remedies; Power of Attorney; Effect on Financing Agreements.** All of Lender's rights and remedies with respect to the Patents, whether established hereby, by any of the Loan Documents or otherwise, or by any other agreements or by law shall be cumulative and may be exercised singularly or concurrently. Grantor hereby constitutes and appoints Lender as Grantor's true and lawful attorney-in-fact, with full power of substitution in the premises, with power at any time after the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, subject to the terms and conditions of the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents, to (i) endorse Grantor's name on all applications, documents, papers and instruments determined by Lender as necessary or desirable for Lender in the use of the Patents, (ii) take any other actions with respect to the Patents as Lender deems in good faith to be in the best interest of Lender, (iii) grant or issue any exclusive or non-exclusive license under the Patents to any Person, or (iv) assign, pledge, convey or otherwise transfer title in or dispose of the Patents to any Person. Grantor hereby ratifies all that such attorney shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof. This power of attorney shall be irrevocable until the Obligations shall have been satisfied in full. Grantor acknowledges and agrees that this Agreement is not intended to limit or restrict in any way the rights and remedies of Lender under the Credit Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents but rather is intended to facilitate the exercise of such rights and remedies. Lender shall have, in addition to all other rights and remedies given it by the terms of this Agreement, all rights and remedies allowed by law and the rights and remedies of a secured party under the Uniform Commercial Code as enacted in any jurisdiction in which the Patents may be enforced. Grantor hereby releases Lender from any and all claims, causes of action and demands at any time arising out of or with respect to any actions taken or omitted to be taken by Lender under the powers of attorney granted herein except, in each case, to the extent resulting from the gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct of the Lender as determined by a final order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

**15. Binding Effect; Benefits.** This Agreement shall be binding upon Grantor and its respective successors and assigns and shall inure to the benefit of Lender and its successors and assigns.


**16. Governing Law.** THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, AND ANY DISPUTE BETWEEN THE PARTIES HERETO ARISING OUT OF, CONNECTED WITH, RELATED TO, OR INCIDENTAL TO THE RELATIONSHIP ESTABLISHED BETWEEN THEM IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AGREEMENT, THE CREDIT AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS, AND WHETHER ARISING IN CONTRACT, TORT, EQUITY, OR OTHERWISE, SHALL BE RESOLVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE INTERNAL LAWS, AND NOT THE CONFLICTS OF LAW PROVISIONS, OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

**17. Counterparts.** This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. The delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page or acceptance to this Agreement by telecopier or other electronic transmission shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Agreement.

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have entered into this Patent Security Agreement as of the date first above written.


**PARTICLE DYNAMICS INTERNATIONAL,  
LLC**

By:   
Name: Michael Caspani  
Title: Secretary



The undersigned accepts and agrees to the  
foregoing Patent  
Security Agreement as of the  
date first written above.

**FIRST MERCHANTS BANK**

By:   
Name: MATTHEW J. DEIBEL  
Title: VICE PRESIDENT

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**PATENT**  
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## **SCHEDULE A**

### **PATENTS**

<u>Patent Description</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>
Iron-polysaccharide complexes and methods for the preparation thereof	US	US 10682375 B2	6/16/2020

### **PATENT APPLICATIONS**

<u>Patent Application Description</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Publication No.</u>	<u>Publication Date</u>
Iron-polysaccharide complexes and methods for the preparation thereof	US	US 16/860,442	US 2020 0345765 A1	11/5/2020
Processes for producing lactitol granulates and granulates produced thereby	US	US 16/615,455	US 2020 0170291 A1	6/5/2020