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# **Assignment**

We,

**F.HOFFMANN-LA ROCHE AG** (Assignor), a Swiss Company  
of 124 Grenzacherstrasse, CH-4070 Basle (Switzerland)

hereby assign to

**ROCHE DIAGNOSTIC SYSTEMS, INC.** (Assignee)

a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of New Jersey, and having its principal place of business at Branchburg, New Jersey, U.S.A.,

all of our right, title and interest within the United States of America and its territorial possessions in and to the invention described and claimed in a Design patent application entitled

**AUTOMATIC HANDLING OF SAMPLE CUPS CLOSED WITH A SCREWABLE CAP**

which has been filed in the U.S. Patent Office in the name(s) of the inventor(s)

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and in respect of which a Declaration and Power of Attorney was executed on:

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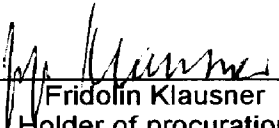
Said U.S. Design patent Application is based upon the following foreign application(s):

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