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PATENT

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Name and address of receiving party(ies):

Hitachi Instruments Engineering Co., Ltd.
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, WE, Yoshiaki Yamada, Kiyotoshi Mori and Masato Fukuda, citizens of

Japan, residing at 9-1-1105, Yamato-cho, Tsuchiura-shi, Ibaraki 300-0036, Japan; Tsukubadai AP 2-208, 663, Ichige, Hitachinaka-shi, Ibaraki 312-0033, Japan and 797-1, Motoyoshida-cho, Mito-shi, Ibaraki 310-0836, Japan

respectively, have invented new and useful improvements in ANALYTICAL APPARATUS, LIQUID CHROMATOGRAPHY ANALYZER AND A METHOD THEREFOR,

for which we are about to make application for Letters Patent of the United States, said application having been executed by us on even date herewith; and

Hitachi, Ltd.;
WHEREAS, Hitachi Instruments Engineering Co., Ltd.,

a Company of Japan, having its place of business at 6, Kanda Surugadai 4-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 101-8010, Japan; 832-2, Magakubo, Horiguchi, Hitachinaka-shi, Ibaraki 312-0034, Japan,

(hereinafter referred to as the Assignee), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the application and the invention therein described and claimed and any Letters Patent that may be issued upon the application or for the improvements therein contained.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the equivalent sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to us in hand paid, the receipt and sufficiency whereof is hereby acknowledged, we have sold, assigned and transferred, and do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto the Assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the application and the invention therein contained, including the right to apply for any Letters Patent in the United States of America on the invention, any any Letters Patent that may issue thereon or therefor, in the United States, and all reissues, extensions,

renewals, divisions and continuations thereof, to the full end of the term or terms for which the Letters Patent may be issued, the same to be held and enjoyed by the Assignee, its successors and assigns, the same as it would have been held and enjoyed by us if this Assignment and sale had not been made.

And we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue all such Letters Patent to the Assignee, its successors and assigns, in accordance with this instrument of Assignment.

We hereby represent and warrant that there are no rights and interests outstanding inconsistent with the rights and interests granted herein and that we will not execute any instrument or grant or transfer any rights or interests inconsistent therewith, and we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators and legal representatives, as the case may be, to execute and deliver to the Assignee, its successors and assigns, any further documents or instruments and do any and all further acts that may be deemed necessary by the Assignee, its successors and assigns, to vest in the Assignee, its successors and assigns, the title herein conveyed, or intended so to be, and to enable such title to be recorded in the United States.

And we further covenant and agree, in consideration of the premises that we, our executors and administrators, will at any time upon request communicate to the Assignee, its successors and assigns, any facts relating to the invention and improvements and the history thereof, known to us or our executors and administrators, and that we will testify as to the same in any

interference or other litigation when requested so to do by the Assignee, its successors and assigns.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 30th day of October, 1998.

Yoshiko Yamada

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 30th day of October, 1998.

Kiyotashi Mori

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Masato Fukuda

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