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<p>4. Application number(s) or patent number(s). Additional sheet attached? YES _____ NO <u>X</u></p> <p>A. Patent application no.(s)</p>	<p>If the document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is:</p> <p>B. Patent no.(s):</p> <p>5,078,676 Issued January 7, 1992</p>
<p>5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning this cover sheet should be mailed:</p> <p>Name: Martin J. Hirsch Reg. No. 32,237 MARSHALL, O'TOOLE, GERSTEIN, MURRAY & BORUN Street Address: 6300 Sears Tower, 233 South Wacker Drive City: Chicago State: Illinois Zip: 60606-6402</p>	<p>6. Number of applications and/or patents identified on this cover sheet: <u>1</u></p> <p>7. Amount of fee enclosed or authorized to be charged: \$ 40.00</p> <p>8. Any additional required fee may be charged, or any overpayment credited to our deposit account: 13-2855</p>

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A S S I G N M E N T

U.S. Patent No: 5,078,676
 Date of Patent: January 7, 1992
 Title: CONTROL DEVICE FOR ARTIFICIAL SPHINCTER AND
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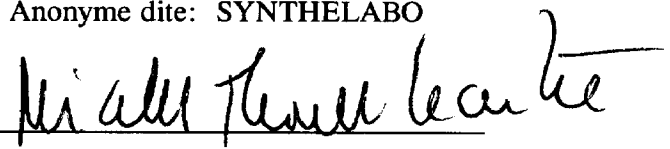
For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency whereof are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned hereby assigns to Porges, a French company having a place of business at 22 Avenue de Galilee, 92350 Le Plessis-Robinson, France (hereinafter "Assignee"), its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in the invention or improvements of U.S. Patent No. 5,078,676, including the right to sue and collect damages for past infringement, and in any reissue or extension thereof.

The undersigned warrants itself to be the owner of the interest herein assigned and to have the right to make this assignment and further warrants that there are no outstanding prior assignments, licenses, or other rights in the interest herein assigned.

For said consideration the undersigned hereby agrees, upon the request and at the expense of said assignee, its successors and assigns, to perform, upon request, any and all affirmative acts to perfect said Letters Patent and vest all rights therein hereby conveyed in said assignee, its successors and assigns, whereby said Letters Patent will be held and enjoyed by said assignee, its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term of said Letters Patent granted as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by the undersigned if this assignment and sale had not been made.

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