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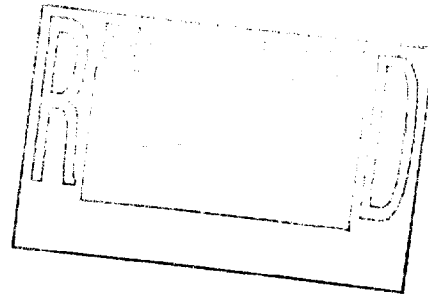


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1. Name of conveying party(ies):

Micromass Limited

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):

Name: Micromass UK Limited
Street Address: Floats Road
City, State, ZIP: Wythenshawe, Manchester M23 9LZ
Country: United Kingdom

State of Incorporation: United Kingdom

3. Nature of Conveyance: Assignment
Execution Date: September 12, 1997

4. Patent No. 4,810,882

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DATED 12th September 1997

(1) MICROMASS LIMITED

and

(2) MICROMASS (UK) LIMITED

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ASSIGNMENT

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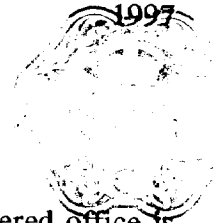
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THIS ASSIGNMENT is dated

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BETWEEN:-

- (1) **Micromass Limited** (Registered No. 3139987) ("the Assignor") whose registered office is at Floats Road, Wythenshawe, Manchester M23 9LZ
- (2) **Micromass UK Limited** (Registered No. 3162904) ("the Assignee") whose registered office is at Floats Road, Wythenshawe, Manchester M23 9LZ

WHEREAS:-

- (A) The Assignor is the owner of the Intellectual Property (as defined herein).
- (B) The Assignee is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Assignor.

NOW THIS DEED WITNESSES as follows:-

1. Definitions

"Intellectual Property" means:-

- a) all and any copyrights, know-how, utility models, and all the Assignor's rights in any other intellectual property rights (other than patents and trade marks) used for the purposes of the manufacture, use or sale of the Products; and
- b) the patents and patent applications listed in the Schedule.

"Products" means any or all of the products known as TRIO 1000, MD 1000, MD 800 and QED and any improved, enhanced, redesigned, or successor version of such products.

2. In consideration for the payment of £1 by the Assignee to the Assignor receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by the Assignor the Assignor hereby ASSIGNS to the Assignee:


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- 2.1 all right title and interest in and to the Intellectual Property;
- 2.2 all rights and powers arising or accrued therefrom including the right to sue for damages and other remedies in respect of any infringement (whether before or after the date hereof) of such rights.
- 3. This assignment is made subject to the licences from the Assignor to Fisons plc (which have been novated and Fisons has been replaced by Thermo Instrument Systems Inc) in respect of TRIO 1000, MD 1000, MD 800 and QED.
- 4. This assignment shall be governed by the laws of England and each party submits to the jurisdiction of the English Courts.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF this Deed has been executed by the parties and is intended to be and is hereby delivered on the date first above written.

EXECUTED as a Deed by)
 MICROMASS LIMITED)
 acting by)
 Director)
 and)
 Director/Secretary)

R Williams


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Schedule 1

Patent or Patent Application Number

Country of Registration or Application

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