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**C.R. Bard**

a corporation organized under the laws of NEW JERSEY, located at 730 Central Avenue, Murray Hill, New Jersey 07974, (hereinafter called the "ASSIGNEE"), do hereby sell and assign to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, all his right, title and interest,

in and for the United States of America only, or

throughout the world,

in and to his invention entitled:

**Torquable, Low-Mass Medical Guidewire**

invented by me and described in

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that I have signed this document as my own free act and that all of the foregoing is true and correct.

This Assignment has an effective date of August 27, 1996.

Dated: 6/10/97

Frank Van Patterson  
Mr. Frank Van Patterson, Inventor