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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We, Samuel ACHILEFU, 3424 San Sevilla Court, St. Louis, Missouri 63044, USA; Raghavan RAJAGOPALAN, 13031 Vinson Court, Maryland Heights, Missouri 63043, USA; Richard B. DORSHOW, 11977 Niehaus Lane, St. Louis, Missouri 63146, USA; and Joseph E. BUGAJ, 2916 Kettering Drive, St. Charles, Missouri 63303, USA, have invented an invention entitled "NOVEL INDOCYANINE DYES", identified as U.S. Serial No. (not yet assigned) and Case No. 1440 US, and described in a patent application executed by us on the dates set after our signatures hereto; and

WHEREAS, Mallinckrodt Inc. of St. Louis, Missouri, a corporation of the State of Delaware, wants to acquire the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention or inventions and any and all patents to be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of Five Dollars (\$5.00), the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and other valuable consideration, We do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said Mallinckrodt Inc., its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention or inventions, as described in the aforesaid application, in any form or embodiment thereof, and in and to the aforesaid application; and in and to any applications under the provisions of the International Convention; also any improvements on said invention or inventions now or hereafter made by us during the period of our employment; also the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all patents or reissues or extensions thereof to be obtained in this or any foreign country upon said invention, inventions, or improvements and any divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part or substitute applications which may be filed upon said invention, inventions, or improvements in this or any foreign country; and We hereby authorize and request the issuing authority to issue any and all patents on said application or applications to said Mallinckrodt Inc., as assignee of the entire interest.

We further agree, without any payment by Mallinckrodt Inc. other than expenses incurred by the undersigned, to communicate to said Mallinckrodt Inc., its representatives or agents, any fact relating to said invention, inventions or improvements, including evidence for interference purposes or for other legal proceedings, whenever requested; testify in any interference or other

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have hereunto set our hands and seals on the dates set after our signatures.

(L.S.) Samuel ACHILEFU,	Dated: _///8	, 2000
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