


| PATENTS ONLY | | PATENTS ONLY | |
|--|--|--|--|
| <p style="font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;">TO THE COMMISS</p> <p style="margin: 0;">Please record 1</p> | | <p style="font-size: 1.2em; margin: 0;">TRADEMARKS</p> <p style="margin: 0;">y thereof.</p> | |
| <p>1. Name of Party(ies) conveying an interest:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Quadrant Healthcare (UK) Limited</p> <p>Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> | | <p>2. Name of Party(ies) receiving an interest:</p> <p>Name: Acuson Corporation</p> <p>Internal Address: Mail Stop E-1</p> <p>Street Address: 1220 Charleston Road</p> <p>City: Mountain View</p> <p>State/Zip: CA 94043</p> <p>Additional name(s) and addresses attached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> | |
| <p>3. Description of the interest conveyed:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignment <input type="checkbox"/> Change of Name Other:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Security Agreement <input type="checkbox"/> Merger</p> <p>Execution Date: <u>February 17, 2000</u></p> | | | |
| <p>4. Application number(s) or patent number(s). Additional sheet attached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is: _____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Date</p> <p>A. Patent Application No.(s) <u>09/341,857</u> B. Patent No.(s) _____</p> <p style="text-align: right; transform: rotate(90deg); font-weight: bold;">OPR/FINANCE</p> <p style="text-align: right; transform: rotate(90deg); font-weight: bold;">200 APR 14 AM 10:29</p> <p style="text-align: right; transform: rotate(90deg); font-weight: bold;">RECEIVED</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Additional numbers attached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> | | | |
| <p>5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE P.O. BOX 10395 CHICAGO, IL 60610 (312)321-4200</p> | | <p>6. Number of applications and patents involved: <u>1</u></p> <p>7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41) \$ <u>40.00</u></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enclosed</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-1925</p> <p>8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please charge any deficiencies in fee or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.</p> | |
| DO NOT USE THIS SPACE | | | |
| <p>9. Statement and signature.</p> <p>To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="width: 30%;"> <p><u>Craig A. Summerfield</u></p> <p>Name of Person Signing</p> </div> <div style="width: 30%; text-align: center;">  <p>Signature</p> </div> <div style="width: 30%; text-align: right;"> <p><u>April 11, 2000</u></p> <p>Date</p> </div> </div> <p style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;">Total number of pages including cover sheet, attachments, and document: <u>5</u></p> | | | |

Rev. Dec.-99

F:\COMMON\CAS\5050\Letters and formal papers\5050-749 Recordal of Assignment.doc

ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT

THIS ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT (the "Assignment") is made the 14th day of February 2000, by and among **QUADRANT HEALTHCARE (UK) LIMITED** of 1 Mere Way, Ruddington, Nottingham, NG11 6JS, United Kingdom ("Assignor"), and **ACUSON CORPORATION**, of 1220 Charleston Road, Mountain View, California, USA 94043 ("Assignee").

Whereas, the Assignor presently owns all rights in inventions (hereinafter, "the Inventions") having embodiments memorialized in the applications for letters patent (hereinafter, "the Applications for Letters Patent") described in the attached appendix

Whereas, the Assignor desires to sell its complete and entire rights in the Inventions and the Applications for Letters Patent

And Whereas, the Assignee desires to purchase the complete and entire rights to the Inventions and the Applications for Letters Patent

NOW THIS ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT WITNESSETH that, in pursuance of the said agreement and in consideration of the sum of **Thirty-Five Thousand United States Dollars (\$35,000.00)**, and other good and valuable consideration paid by Assignee to Assignor (the receipt of which Assignor hereby acknowledges), Assignor, as beneficial owner, hereby assigns and transfers to Assignee all its rights in said Inventions, said Applications for Letters Patent, and any and all letters patent or patents in the United Kingdom, the United States of America, and all other countries which may be granted therefor and thereon, and in and to any and all divisions, continuations, and continuations-in-part of said Applications for Letters Patent, or renewals, reexaminations, reissues or extensions of said letters patent, and all rights under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, and the full exclusive benefits thereof, and all rights, privileges and advantages appertaining thereto, including any and all rights to damages, profits or recoveries of any nature derived from said Applications for Letters Patent and/or said letters patent, and the payment of any and all maintenance fees, taxes, and the like, to hold the same unto and to the use of Assignee, its successors and assigns absolutely during the residue of the respective terms for which the said letters patent were granted and during any such terms, and for any and all rights extending from said applications and reissues. Accordingly, for such good and valuable consideration, the Assignor relinquishes all rights and disclaims all interests in the Inventions and the Applications for Letters Patent.

The term "Application" and "Application for Letters Patent" as used herein includes both provisional and non-provisional applications.

ASSIGNOR hereby warrants, covenants, and agrees to and with Assignee, its successors and assigns that, at the time of execution and delivery of these presents, Assignor is the sole and lawful owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to the said Inventions and the Applications for Letters Patent, that the same are unencumbered, and that Assignor has good and full right and lawful authority to sell and convey the same in the manner herein set forth. Assignor further warrants and covenants that Assignor has not executed and will not execute any agreements inconsistent with this Assignment or to the detriment of the patents, applications, and inventions being assigned hereby. No warranty, express or implied, is given that the Applications for Letters Patent or any patents granted thereon are or will be valid.

AND for the same consideration, Assignor further agrees to make reasonable efforts to deliver to the Assignee within thirty (30) days after execution of this Agreement any and all, technical notes, records, and files, and prototypes, if any, in its possession or under its control relating to the Inventions and Applications for Letters Patent. In addition, Assignor agrees that upon execution of this Agreement, Assignor will instruct its legal representatives to surrender to Assignee and/or its representatives all notes, records, files, and tangible items pertaining to the Inventions and Applications for Letters Patent.

AND for the same consideration, for a period of two (2) years Assignor hereby warrants, covenants and agrees to and with Assignee, and its successors and assigns that Assignor will, whenever counsel of Assignee, or the counsel of its successors, shall advise that any proceedings are necessary in connection with said Inventions or Applications for Letters Patent, or any divisions, continuations, and continuations-in-part of said Applications, or renewals, reexaminations, reissues or extensions of letters patent issuing from said Applications for Letters Patent, sign all patent office and patent registry papers, forms, declarations and other documents necessary for the procurement of letters patent for said Inventions throughout the world, without charge to Assignor, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, but at the cost and expense of the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns.

AND for the same consideration, Assignor hereby agrees to use its reasonable efforts in obtaining the cooperation of the inventors in all matters pertaining to the Applications for Letters Patent and/or any related applications, including but not limited to prosecution of the Applications for Letters Patent in the offices of relevant patent-granting authorities.

Failure by either party to exercise any of its rights hereunder shall not constitute or be deemed a waiver or forfeiture of such rights.

The liability of Assignor under this Agreement shall not exceed of the sum of Thirty-Five Thousand United States Dollars (\$35,000.00), unless Assignor committed fraud in connection with this Agreement.

Assignor agrees to retain in confidence, the terms of this Agreement and the sale of the Inventions and the Applications for Letters Patent, except where otherwise directed by Assignee.

This Agreement will be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of England.

If any provision of this Agreement is found invalid or unenforceable, in whole or in part, the remaining provisions and partially enforceable provisions will, nevertheless, be binding and enforceable.

Nothing herein shall create a partnership, joint venture, or co-tenancy for any purpose whatsoever and neither party shall have authority to bind the other.

This Agreement between Assignor and the Assignee constitutes the entire, complete, final and exclusive understanding and agreement of the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes and replaces entirely any other prior or contemporaneous oral understanding or agreement or any other prior written agreement. No modification, waiver, amendment, discharge, supplement, or change of this Agreement shall be valid unless the same is in writing and signed by the party against whom the enforcement of such modification, waiver, amendment, discharge or change is or may be sought. This Agreement and the wording contained herein have been arrived at by mutual

negotiations of the parties, and no provision hereof shall be interpreted or construed against one party in favor of another party merely by reason of draftsmanship.

All requests pursuant to this Agreement shall be made on behalf of Assignee by its General Counsel or Vice President, Intellectual Property, and shall be addressed to:

Mr Raj Uppal, Finance Director, Quadrant Healthcare (UK) Limited,
1 Mere Way, Ruddington, Nottingham NG11 6JS, United Kingdom

This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto, their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed this ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT as of the date set forth above.

ASSIGNOR

Signed by: 17 FEBRUARY 2000
Designation: DIRECTOR

for and on behalf of
QUADRANT HEALTHCARE (UK) LIMITED
in the presence of:

[Signature]

ASSIGNEE

Signed by: Liza K. Lott
Designation: VP, Intellectual Property

for and on behalf of
ACUSON CORPORATION
in the presence of:

Patricia B. Ferrari

Appendix

This assignment agreement pertains to the following Applications for Letters Patent and all other patent applications or letters patent that claim the benefit of the priority date of these applications for letters patent, or are based on the subject matter described in one or more of these applications for letters patent, or disclose substantially the same invention as:

“Ultrasound Contrast Imaging: Two Phase Scattering,” naming as inventor Nico de Jong and Peter Frinking, originally filed as GB9701274.4 on January 22, 1997;

“Ultrasound Contrast Imaging: Two Phase Scattering,” naming as inventor Nico de Jong and Peter Frinking, filed as AU9855709 on January 19, 1998, claiming benefit of the priority date of GB9701274.4;

“Ultrasound Contrast Imaging: Two Phase Scattering,” naming as inventor Nico de Jong and Peter Frinking, filed as WO9832378 on January 19, 1998, claiming benefit of the priority date of GB9701274.4;

“Ultrasound Contrast Imaging: Two Phase Scattering,” naming as inventor Nico de Jong and Peter Frinking, filed as ZA9800520 on January 22, 1998, claiming benefit of the priority date of GB9701274.4;

“Ultrasound Contrast Imaging: Multiple Pulse,” naming as inventor Peter Frinking, E. Ignacio Cespedes, and Nico de Jong, originally filed as GB9800813.9 on January 16, 1998;

“Ultrasound Contrast Imaging: Multiple Pulse,” naming as inventor Peter Frinking, E. Ignacio Cespedes, and Nico de Jong, filed as WO9935967 on January 15, 1999, claiming benefit of the priority date of GB9800813.9, and

“Method and Apparatus for Ultrasound Contrast Imaging: Subharmonic Pulse,” naming as inventor Nico de Jong and Peter Frinking, originally filed as GB9901270.0 on January 21, 1999.