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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Dr. Daniel W. Bühler, Dr. Hans K. Uthhoff and David S. Backman hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNOR, has/have invented certain new and useful improvements as described and set forth in the below identified application for United States Letters Patent:

Title: Bone plate for splinting a fracture at a bone with a plurality of bone screws

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WHEREAS, Sulzer Orthopedics Ltd., of Switzerland
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hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE, is desirous of acquiring ASSIGNOR'S interest in the said invention and application and in any U.S. Letters Patent which may be granted on the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that, for good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by Assignor, Assignor has/have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents does/do sell, assign and transfer unto the said Assignee, and Assignee's successors and assigns, all his/her/their rights, title and interest in and to the said invention and application and all future improvements thereon, and in and to any Letters Patent which may hereafter be granted on the same in the United States, the said interest to be held and enjoyed by said Assignee as fully and exclusively as it would have been held and enjoyed by said Assignor had this Assignment and transfer not been made, to the full end and term of any Letters Patent which may be granted thereon, or of any division, renewal, continuation in whole or in part, substitution, conversion, reissue, prolongation or extension thereof.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has/have signed his/her/their name(s) on the date(s) indicated.

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Dr. Daniel W. Bühler

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