

ASSIGNMENT

Know all men by these presents that:

WHEREAS we, Olivier Faugeras
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have made an invention for

MRA SEGMENTATION USING ACTIVE CONTOUR MODELS

described in the application filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on June 23, 2000 as Serial No. 09/602,701. This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C §119 (e) from United States provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/140,609 filed June 23, 1999.

WHEREAS **Institute National de Recherche en Informatique et en Automatique**, an organization duly organized and existing under the laws of France and having a place of business at Domain de Voluceau, Rocquencourt BP105, F-78153 LeChesnay, France, and **Ecole Nationale des Ponts et Chaussé**, an organization duly organized and existing under the laws of France and having a place of business at 6 et 8, avenue Blaise Pascal, Cité Descartes-Champs-sur-Marne, 77455 Marne-La-Vallee, France, for the benefit of themselves, their successors and assigns, all inclusively hereinafter referred to as the Assignees, are desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the said invention, the said application, all inventions disclosed in said application and any and all Letters Patent of the United States and of all other countries which may be granted for the said invention or inventions, or any of them;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration provided by said Assignees, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, we do hereby sell, assign and transfer equally to the said Assignees the entire right, title and interest in and to the said invention, inventions and application, including all priority rights arising therefrom, all inventions disclosed in said application, and any and all Letters Patent of the United States, and of all other countries, together with the right to apply for such Letters Patent, which may be granted for the said invention, inventions or any of them,

TO HAVE, HOLD AND ENJOY the said invention, the said application, and the said Letters Patent, to

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theirs successors and assigns, to their own use and behoof to the full end of the term or terms for which the said Letters Patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us had this assignment and sale not been made.

AND we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States and the appropriate officers of all foreign patent offices to issue any and all Letters Patent which may be granted on the said application or applications above referred to, or for the said invention, or any of them, to the said Assignees in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND we hereby agree to execute and sign without further consideration any other legal document and any other assignments and any divisional, continuing, renewal, reissue or other application in and for all patents that may be appropriate and may be deemed necessary by the Assignees fully to secure to said Assignees its interests as aforesaid in and to the said invention or any part thereof and in and to the said patents or any of them.

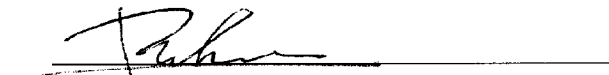
AND we further covenant and agree that we will at any time upon request communicate to the said Assignees, their successors, assigns or other legal representatives, any facts known to us relating to the said invention and any patent that may be granted thereon, and will testify as to the same in any interference or litigation when requested to do so.

AND we hereby covenant for ourselves and our legal representatives that we have not hitherto assigned or granted any license to make, use or sell said invention, and that we will not henceforth purport to assign, license or execute any instrument to that effect in conflict with this assignment.

7/12/00
Date


Olivier Faugeras

20-11-00
Date


Renaud Keriven