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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Syntheon, LLC, a Florida corporation with its principal offices located at 8210 NW 27th Street, Miami, Florida 33122, U.S.A., owns all rights, title and interest in the following pending U.S. patent applications, as well as all patent applications claiming priority therefrom:

Appln. Serial No.	Filing Date	Title of Application
09/418,246	October 14, 1999	Endoscope and Endoscopic Instrument System Having Reduced Backlash When Moving the Endoscopic Instrument Within a Working Channel of the Endoscope
09/369,724	August 6, 1999	Polypectomy Snare Instrument
09/418,769	October 15, 1999	Multifilar Flexible Rotary Shaft and Medial Instruments Incorporating the Same

WHEREAS, SciMed Life Systems, Inc. is a Minnesota corporation with its principal address at One SciMed Place, Maple Grove, Minnesota 55311-1566, U.S.A.;

NOW, THEREFORE, to all whom it may concern, be it known that pursuant to the parties' prior agreement and other good and valuable considerations, the receipt and sufficiency whereof is hereby acknowledged, Syntheon, LLC, has assigned and transferred, and by this instrument does assign and transfer unto said SciMed Life Systems, Inc., its successors or assigns, the entire right, title and interest, for all countries, in and to all inventions and improvements disclosed in the aforesaid applications, and in and to any and all patent applications which shall be filed in all countries for said inventions and improvements, including an assignment of all rights under the provisions of the International Convention, and all Patents which may be granted therefrom

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The parties hereto acknowledge that they have specifically requested the present agreement to be drawn up in the English language. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this November, 2000. Syntheon, LLC STATE OF Florida) ss.
COUNTY OF Miami-Dadis On this 14th day of November, 2000, before me personally appeared Thomas O. Bales, Jr. to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he/she executed the same as his/her free act and deed.

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