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To the Commissioner of Patent and Trademarks. Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof.

1. Name of conveying party(ies): BELMONT INSTRUMENT CORPORATION

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? ___ Yes X No

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):

Name: ARROW INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Street Address: 2400 Bernville Road

City: Reading State: Pennsylvania ZIP: 19605

Additional name(s) & addresses(es) attached? ___ Yes X No

3. Name of Conveyance:

X Assignment

___ Merger

___ Security Agreement

___ Change of Name

___ Other

Execution Date: January 16, 2001

4. Application number(s) or patent number(s):

If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is: _____
Title: _____

A. Patent Application No.

B. Patent No.(s) 6,117,076; 5,913,814

Additional numbers attached? ___ Yes X No

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

Name: Nixon Peabody LLP

Street Address: 437 Madison Avenue

City: New York State: New York ZIP: 10022-7001

6. Total number of applications and patents involved: 2

7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41):\$ 80.00

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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.

Tim L. Brackett, Jr.
Name of Person Signing

[Signature]
Signature

March 13, 2001
Date

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PATENT
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ASSIGNMENT OF PATENTS

Assignment made this 16th day of January, 2001 by BELMONT INSTRUMENT CORPORATION, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Massachusetts with an office at 780 Boston Road, Billerica, Massachusetts 01821 (the "ASSIGNOR") to ARROW INTERNATIONAL, INC., a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Pennsylvania, with an office at 2400 Bernville Road, Reading, Pennsylvania 19605 (the "ASSIGNEE").

W I T N E S S E T H:

WHEREAS, ASSIGNOR and ASSIGNEE (as the assignee of Bard Cardiac Assist Corporation) have entered into a Product Development and Asset Purchase Agreement dated as of March 20, 1998, as amended by an Agreement dated as of September 19, 2000 between Assignor and Assignee and an Amendment dated as of January 16, 2001 between Assignor and Assignee dated September 19, 2000 (collectively, the "Purchase Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, this Assignment is being executed pursuant to the Purchase Agreement; and

WHEREAS, capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in the Purchase Agreement; and

WHEREAS, ASSIGNOR owns certain patents set forth in Exhibit A hereto and all divisions, continuations, continuations in part, reissues and extensions thereof (the "Belmont Patents") and ASSIGNEE desires to obtain from ASSIGNOR an assignment of the Belmont Patents.

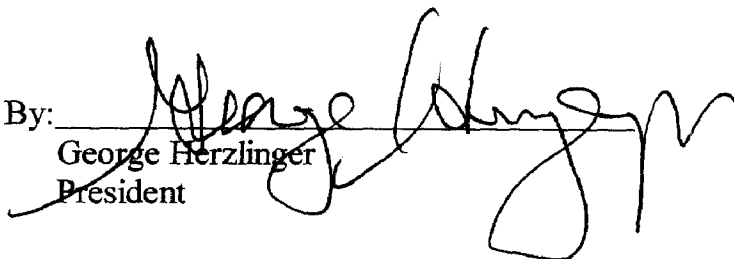
NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR hereby agrees as follows:

1. ASSIGNOR hereby sells, assigns, transfers and sets over unto ASSIGNEE and its successors and assigns all of the ASSIGNOR'S entire right, title and interest in and to the Belmont Patents and proceeds thereof, and the right to foreign counterparts to the Belmont Patents, and the right to recover damages and/or profits from third parties arising from any past, present or future infringement of the Belmont Patents.

2. Upon reasonable request of ASSIGNEE, ASSIGNOR further agrees to (i) execute such additional documents as may be reasonably required to effect the foregoing assignment, and (ii) use best efforts to obtain the cooperation of its employees who are inventors of the Belmont Patents to perfect the rights transferred by the present assignment, including the execution of future related patent applications.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, ASSIGNOR has caused this Assignment of Patents Agreement to be duly executed this 16th day of January, 2001.

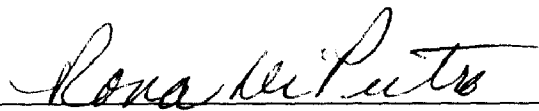
BELMONT INSTRUMENT CORPORATION

By: 
George Herzlinger
President

CORPORATE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)
COMMONWEALTH)
OF MASSACHUSETTS) SS.:
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX)

On the 16th day of January, 2001 before me personally appeared George Herzlinger to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he is the President of BELMONT INSTRUMENT CORPORATION described in and which executed the foregoing instrument; that he knows the seal of said corporation; that the seal affixed to said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed by authority of the Board of Directors of said corporation and that he signed his name thereto by like authority.


Notary Public

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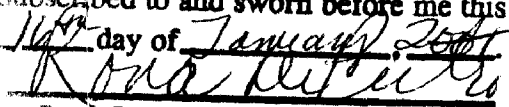
Subscribed to and sworn before me this
16th day of January, 2001

Rona P. DiPietro, Notary Public
Commission Expires June 16, 2006

EXHIBIT A

United States Patents

<u>Title</u>	<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Date</u>
Patient Monitoring System and Method	6,117,076	September 12, 2000
Method and Apparatus for Deflation of an Intra-Aortic Balloon	5,913,814	June 22, 1999