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For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, DePuy Orthopaedics, Inc., a Delaware corporation, having its principal place of business at 700 Orthopaedic Drive, P. O. Box 988, Warsaw, Indiana 46581-0988, ("Assignor"), the owner of the entire right, title and interest in the issued patents and/or patent applications listed on the attached Schedule A, hereby assigns effective **(Incred 22, 2001)**, to Ethicon, Inc., a New Jersey corporation, having its principal place of business at U.S. Route 22 West, Somerville, New Jersey, 08876 ("Assignee"), all of Assignor's rights, title, and interest in and to said issued patents and/or patent applications listed on Schedule A and in and to the inventions set forth and described therein, including any and all foreign counterparts to said patents and patent applications.

For such good and valuable consideration, Assignor hereby further assigns and transfers to Assignee, all rights and interests in, to and arising from any infringement of the aboveidentified patent, including, without limitation, all claims for damages and profits for any infringements which occurred prior to the date of this Assignment, including the rights to sue for any infringements in its own name and stead and for its own benefit.

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August 22___, 2001

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Acknowledged before me, a Notary Public, within and for said County and State. WITNESS my hand and notarial seal this day of <u>August</u>, 2000. 2001.

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Schedule A

PATENT APPLICATIONS FILED

PENDING PATENTS/APPLICATIONS

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DEP0257	.62683	60/113548	12/23/1998	Meniscal Repair Device
DEP0376	65667	09/464809	12/17/1999	Meniscal Repair Device
DEP0376	65668	65394/99	12/22/1999	Meniscal Repair Device (Australia)
DEP0376	65669	NOT-YET-Av	12/22/1999	Meniscal Repair Device (Canada)
DEP0376	65670	99310429.8	12/22/1999	Meniscal Tears Repair Device (EPO)
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