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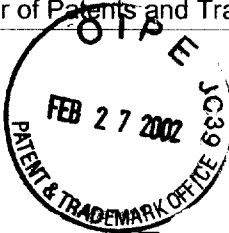
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WHEREAS, Hitachi, Ltd. ("ASSIGNOR"), a Japanese corporation, having its principal office at 6, Kanda Surugadai 4-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan, owns U.S. Patent No. 5,993,740, issued November 30, 1999, entitled *Immunoassay Method and Analyzer Using Magnetic Particles* ("the '740 Patent"); and

WHEREAS, Roche Diagnostics GmbH ("ASSIGNEE"), a Germany corporation, having its principal office at Sandhofer Strasse 116, D-68298 Mannheim, Germany, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the '740 Patent;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration to ASSIGNOR paid by said ASSIGNEE, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR has sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents does hereby sell, assign and transfer unto ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the '740 Patent, and in and to any reexaminations, reissues, or extensions thereof, of the United States of America and countries foreign thereto.

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In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 7 day of

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