

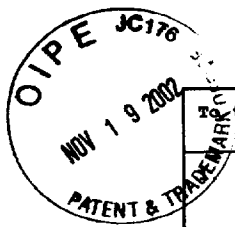
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, Wolfgang Rietschel, whose address is Obere Bergstr. 2, D-34320 Söhrewald, Germany and Wolfgang Kahlert, whose address is Akazienweg 1, D-34327 Körle, Germany are inventors of an invention entitled **PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR DEFOAMING A BIOREACTOR**, corresponding to DE 101 49 132.8-41 and filed 5 October 2001, for which on even date herewith we executed an application for a United States letters patent;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of valuable consideration paid to us by **SARTORIUS AG**, a German company, whose primary address is Weender Landstrasse 94-108, D-37070 Göttingen, GERMANY, the receipt whereof is acknowledged, we do hereby assign unto the same the entire interest in said invention for the United States and all foreign countries and any letters patent to be issued therefor in the United States or any foreign country and any divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, improvements, reissues or extensions that may be made or granted thereon.

AND the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is requested to issue such letters patent in accordance herewith. And we agree to execute further instruments proper for effectuating the premises.

Executed on Sept. 18, 2002.



Wolfgang Rietschel

Executed on Sept. 18, 2002.



Wolfgang Kahlert

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION EXAMINING OPERATIONS

In re application of : Rietschel et al.
Reinhard Kiel, Inventor (deceased)

For: PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR DEFOAMING A BIOREACTOR

the specification of which was filed concurrently herewith/or
on _____ as U.S. Application Serial No. _____
and which was described and claimed in German application
DE 101 49 132.8-41 filed on 5 October 2001.

ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTION BY EXECUTOR

In consideration of the payment by ASSIGNEE to
INVENTOR of a sum of money amounting to valuable
consideration,

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PROOF OF AUTHORITY to act on behalf of the deceased
inventor is submitted herewith.

Dated this 18 day of Sept., 2002.

Sabine Kiel
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Executor for Reinhard Kiel