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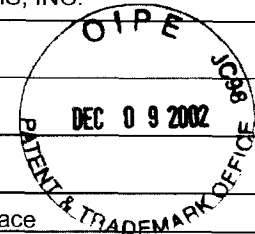
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**ASSIGNMENT**

For value received, receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Boston Scientific Corporation (hereinafter referred to as "the Assignor") having been assigned full right, title and interest to the U.S. Patent Application No. 09/544,590, filed April 6, 2000, and recorded at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at Reel/Frame No. 9117/0147, hereby:

1. Assigns, transfers and conveys to SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS, INC., organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Minnesota, having an office at One SCIMED Place, Maple Grove, Minnesota 55311-1566, (hereinafter referred to as "the Assignee") the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions and discoveries, said application for Letters Patent of the United States of America, any and all other applications for Letters Patent on said inventions and discoveries in whatsoever countries, including all divisional, renewal, substitute, continuation, and Convention applications based in whole or in part upon said inventions or discoveries, or upon said applications, and any and all Letters Patent, reissues, and extensions of letters Patent granted for said inventions and discoveries or upon said applications, and every priority right that is or may be predicated upon or arise from said inventions, said discoveries, said applications, and said Letters Patent.

2. Authorize Assignee to file patent applications in any or all countries for any or all of said inventions and discoveries in the name of Assignee or otherwise as Assignee may deem appropriate, under the International Convention or otherwise.

3. Authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States of America and the empowered officials of all other

governments to issue or transfer all said Letters Patent to Assignee, as assignee of the entire right, title, and interest therein or otherwise as Assignee may direct.

4. Warrant that the Assignor has not knowingly conveyed to others any right in said inventions, discoveries, applications, or patents or any license to use the same or to make, use, or sell anything embodying or utilizing any of said inventions or discoveries; and that the Assignor has good right to assign the same to Assignee without encumbrance.

5. Bind the Assignor's heirs, legal representatives, and assigns, as well as the Assignor, to do, upon Assignee's request and at Assignee's expense, but without additional consideration, all acts reasonably serving to assure that the said inventions and discoveries, the said patent applications, and the said Letters Patent shall be held and enjoyed by Assignee as fully and entirely as the same could have been held and enjoyed by the Assignor, its heirs, legal representatives, and assigns if this assignment had not been made; and particularly to execute and deliver to Assignee all lawful application documents including petitions, specifications, and oaths, and all assignments, disclaimers, and lawful affidavits in form and substance as may be requested by Assignee; to communicate to Assignee all facts known to the Assignor, its officers and employees, relating to said inventions and discoveries or the history thereof; and to furnish the Assignee with any and all documents, photographs, models, samples, and other physical exhibits in the Assignor's control or in the control of the Assignor's heirs, legal representatives, or assigns which may be useful for establishing the facts of conceptions, disclosures, and reduction to practice of said inventions and discoveries.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, as an Officer of the Assignor having authority to bind the Assignor, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 4 day of December, 2002.

By: Robert M Rauker  
Robert M. Rauker

Title: Senior Patent Counsel

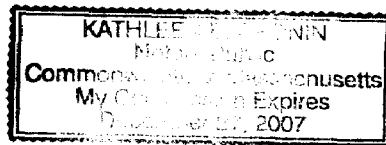
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On this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December 20 02, before me personally came Robert M. Rauker an Officer of the Assignor, to me known to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged execution of same.

Kathleen D. Cronin  
Notary Public



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