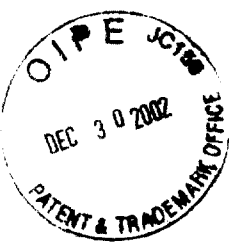


D \$



01-08-2003

Form PTO-1595
6-93
OMB No. 0651-0011 (exp. 4/94)



U.S. Department of Commerce
Patent and Trademark Office

To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents 102331014

1. Name of conveying party(ies): Lutz Biedermann Felman Rapp Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? [] Yes [X] No	2. Name and address of receiving party(ies): Name: <u>Biedermann Motech GmbH</u> Street Address: City: <u>Villingen-Schwenningen</u> Country: <u>Germany 78054</u> Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? [] Yes [X] No
--	---

3. Nature of Conveyance:

[X] Assignment [] Merger
[] Security Agreement [] Change of Name
[] Other _____

Execution Date(s): December 2, 2002

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

A. Patent Application No(s) 10/056,909 B. Patent No(s)

Additional numbers attached? [] Yes [X] No

Title: **Spacer Assembly for Use in Spinal Surgeries Having End Cap Which Includes Serrated Surface**

Docket No. 1671-0099/DEP-688

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed: Name: <u>Paul J. Maginot</u> Internal Address: <u>Maginot, Moore & Bowman, LLP</u> Street Address: <u>Bank One Center/Tower</u> <u>111 Monument Circle</u> <u>Suite 3000</u> City: <u>Indianapolis</u> State: <u>IN</u> Zip: <u>46204-5115</u>	6. Total number of applications and patents involved <u>1</u> 7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41): \$ <u>40.00</u> [X] Enclosed [] Authorized to be charged to deposit account 8. Deposit Account number: <u>13-0014</u> (Attach duplicate copy of this page if paying by deposit account)
--	--

DO NOT USE THIS SPACE

9. Statement and signature.
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.

David M. Lockman Paul M. Ruel 12/24/02
Name of Person Signing Signature Date
Registration No. 34,214 Total number of pages including cover sheet, attachments and document 2

Mail documents to be recorded with required cover sheet information to:
Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Box Assignments
Washington, D.C. 20231

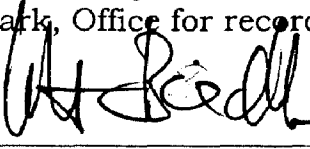
01/07/2003 LMKELLER 00000152 10054909
01 FC:0021 40.00 OP

ASSIGNMENT

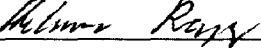
We, 1) Lutz BIEDERMANN 2) Helmar RAPP (inventors), for good and valuable consideration from Biedermann Motech GmbH, Villingen-Schwenningen, Germany 78054, hereinafter called the Assignee, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto the Assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in, to and under an application for Letters Patent of the United States Serial No. 6,086,613 Appl. No. 09/218,745 (Provisional Appl. No. 60/068,660, December 23, 1997) filed on December 22, 1998 for improvements in SPACER ASSEMBLY FOR USE IN SPINAL SURGERIES including all priority rights ensuing therefrom, and the inventions and any of them therein set forth and described, and any and all Letters Patent of the United States and of countries foreign thereto which may be granted thereon or therefor, together with the right to apply for such Letters Patent.

And for the above consideration I agree promptly upon request of the Assignee, its successors or assigns, to execute and deliver without further compensation any power of attorney, assignment, application, whether original, divisional, continuation or reissue, or other papers which may be necessary or desirable fully to secure to the Assignee, its successors and assigns, the inventions and any of them described in said application and all patent rights therein, in the United States and in any country foreign thereto.

The undersigned hereby grants the law firm of *Maginot, Moore & Bowman LLP, Patent and Trademark Attorneys, Bank One Center/Tower, 111 Monument Circle, Suite 3000, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-5115* the power to insert on this Assignment any further identification which may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for recordation of this document.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, , hereunto set my hand and seal this 2nd day of Dec., 2002.

Lutz BIEDERMANN

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, , hereunto set my hand and seal this 2nd day of Dec, 2002.

Helmar RAPP

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, _____, hereunto set my hand and seal this _____ day of _____, 2002.

Print or Type Name