

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS WE, Dave Hall and James R. Hunt, (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNORS) of Textile Engineering Department, Auburn University, Al., 34689; and 3 Dunwoody Park South, Suite 103, Dunwoody, GA., 30338, have invented certain new and useful improvements in ANTI-INFECTIVE PERIODONTIC COMPOSITIONS for which application for United States Letters Patent has been filed under No.

10/141,232 , filed 05/08/2002, and

WHEREAS, Oratec Corp., a Delaware corporation having an address of 12181 Balls Ford Road, Manassas, VA., 20109, (hereinafter ASSIGNEE), is desirous of acquiring the said invention and application and any and all Letters Patent that may be obtained thereof or thereupon, and all reissues and extensions thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, be it known that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), and other good and valuable considerations, to us in hand paid by the said assignee, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we have sold, assigned, transferred and set over and by these presents do sell, assign, transfer and set over unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, and assigns, the full and exclusive right, title and interest in and to the said invention and said application for Letters Patent of the United States therefore, and

in and to any Division, Continuations and Continuation-in-part thereof and in and to any and all foreign applications and United States Letters Patent and reissues and extensions thereof that may be issued for the said invention to have and to hold for its own use and behoof of its successors and assigns as fully and entirely as the same might be enjoyed by us if this sale and assignment had not been made; and

HEREBY AUTHORIZE and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue the said Letters Patent and any reissues and extensions thereof to the said assignee as assigns of the entire right, title and interest in and to the said invention and said application and Letters Patent issued therefore or thereupon; and

HEREBY AGREE to execute all instruments and documents within my power which may be necessary for the carrying out of this assignment in full; and to execute any divisional, continuing or continuation-in-part application or applications which may be necessary or proper to obtain full protection on the invention hereby assigned; and to execute any and all supplemental oaths and preliminary statements should the same be proper and necessary in the prosecution of the aforesaid applications; and

HEREBY FURTHER ASSIGN unto the said assignee, its successors, and assigns, the whole right, title and interest in and to the invention disclosed in the said application throughout all countries foreign to the United States, and do hereby ratify any

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acts of the said assignee, its successors and assigns, in applying
for patents therefore in its own name in countries where such
procedure is proper and do agree to execute applications for said
invention in the several countries where it is necessary that the
same be executed by the inventors, and to execute assignment of
such applications and the patents to be obtained therefore to the
said assignee, its successors and assigns.

 5/16/03
David M. Hill Date

 5/16/03
James R. Hunt Date