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FOR : **HIGH THROUGHPUT METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR INTRODUCING BIOLOGICAL SAMPLES INTO ANALYTICAL INSTRUMENTS**
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In Consideration of One Dollar and other good and valuable considerations, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the entire right, title and interest in the invention or improvements of the undersigned in HIGH THROUGHPUT METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR INTRODUCING BIOLOGICAL SAMPLES INTO ANALYTICAL INSTRUMENTS and in the application for Letters Patent of the United States therefor, and in any reissue or extension of any letters Patent that may be granted upon said application are hereby assigned by the undersigned to THE SCRIPPS RESEARCH INSTITUTE, a public benefit, not-for-profit corporation of California, located at 10550 North Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla, USA 92037, and the heirs, successors, legal representatives and assigns of THE SCRIPPS RESEARCH INSTITUTE (herein collectively called said Assignee), and the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized and requested by the undersigned to issue said Letters Patent to said Assignee.

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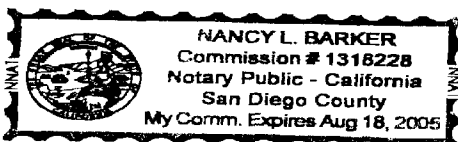
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